

ity of U . And it is proper, since D is proper in an open set of C^n , and π_I is open map. \square

Thus, for $H \in U - \bigcup_I \pi_I^{-1}(D)$, the points of $H \cap C$ are in general position. Q.E.D.

Now, we can characterize the dimension of a linear system $|D|$ as follows: $\dim |D| \geq t$ if and only if for every t points $p_1, \dots, p_t \in S$ there exists a divisor $E \in |D|$ containing p_1, p_2, \dots, p_t .

$\Rightarrow H^0(S, \mathcal{O}(D)) \ni \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_{t+1}$ which are linearly independent.

$x_1 \sigma_1 + \dots + x_{t+1} \sigma_{t+1}$ is a ^{nontrivially} section of $\mathcal{O}(D)$ if not all x_i 's zero.

Consider $\{x_1 \sigma_1(p_i) + x_2 \sigma_2(p_i) + \dots + x_{t+1} \sigma_{t+1}(p_i) = 0 \text{ for } i=1, \dots, t\} \Rightarrow$ Always \exists nontrivial solutions x_1, \dots, x_{t+1} satisfying the equations. ^{If $p_1 \neq p_2$, take derivative as $p_1 \neq p_2$}

\Leftarrow Consider a map $\phi: S \times S \times \dots \times S \longrightarrow |D|$ defined by $\phi(p_1, \dots, p_t) = D_{p_1, \dots, p_t}$ which is an effective divisor containing p_1, \dots, p_t . We can choose \sqrt{D} by the assumption.

\Rightarrow There are a finite number of possibility of existence of (p_1, \dots, p_t) 's s.t. $\phi(p_1, \dots, p_t) = D_{p_1, \dots, p_t}$. i.e. if $\deg D = d$, at most $d C_t$ number of (p_1, \dots, p_t) 's.

$\Rightarrow \dim |D| \geq t$, for $S \times \dots \times S \longrightarrow \phi(S^t)$ has fiber dimension $d C_t$. \square

Thus, if D and D' are two effective divisors on S , we can find a divisor $E \sim D + D'$ containing any $h^0(D) - 1 + h^0(D') - 1$ points of S , and so we have

$$h^0(D + D') \geq h^0(D) + h^0(D') - 1.$$