

Differential descent obstructions

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Notations

Some stuff we will need.....

- k is a field of characteristic $p \geq 0$.
- K is a function field in one variable over k .
- We fix a separating element t of K/k and we will consider the derivation

$$\delta = d/dt : K \rightarrow K.$$

- Ω_K is the set of places of K and S is a finite subset of Ω_K of "bad places".
- for $v \in \Omega_K$, we consider the completion K_v and its ring of integers \mathcal{O}_v .
- $\mathcal{O}_S = \{x \in K : v(x) \geq 0, \text{ for all } v \notin S\}$ is the set of S -integers of K .

Main Question

We consider an affine variety X over K .

- $K[X]$ is the coordinate ring of X .
- We will consider adelic points

$$(x_v) \in \prod_{v \notin S} X(\mathcal{O}_v) \times \prod_{v \in S} X(K_v).$$

Main question

Under what conditions can we guarantee that

$$(x_v) \in X(\mathcal{O}_S)$$

that is, (x_v) will be global?

Our approach : descent obstructions.....

Motivation 1 : Artin-Schreier obstructions

- $p > 0$ and s is a power of p . The s -Artin-Schreier operator $\Phi_s(x) = x^s - x$.
- The exact sequence $0 \rightarrow \mathbf{F}_s \rightarrow \mathbf{G}_a \xrightarrow{x^s - x} \mathbf{G}_a \rightarrow 0$ of fppf (or étale) sheaves on $\text{Spec } K[X]$ and on $\text{Spec } K$ gives rise to group isomorphisms

$$H^1(\text{Spec } K[X], \mathbf{F}_a) \cong \frac{K[X]}{\Phi_s(K[X])} \quad \text{and} \quad H^1(\text{Spec } K, \mathbf{F}_s) \cong \frac{K}{\Phi_s(K)}.$$

Definition

An s -Artin-Schreier torsor over X is the image of an element of $H^1(\text{Spec } K[X], \mathbf{F}_s)$ under

$$H^1(\text{Spec } K[X], \mathbf{F}_s) \rightarrow H^1(X, \mathbf{F}_s).$$

Theorem (D. Harari and J. F. Voloch, 2013)

If (x_v) is unobstructed by all s -Artin-Schreier torsors over X , for all s , then (x_v) is global.

Motivation 2 : Additive differential obstructions

The derivation $\delta = d/dt$ on K is additive....

- Define formal “cohomology groups”

$$H^1(K, \delta) := \frac{K}{\delta(K)} \quad \text{and} \quad H^1(K_v, \delta) := \frac{K_v}{\delta(K_v)}.$$

Definition

An additive differential torsor over X is given by a differential equation

$$\delta(z) = F, \quad F \in K[X].$$

An adelic point (x_v) is unobstructed by $F \in K[X]$ if there exist $(z_v) \in K_v$ and $c \in K$ such that

$$\delta(z_v) = F(x_v) + c, \quad \text{for all } v \in \Omega_K.$$

Theorem (J. F. Voloch, 2014)

If (x_v) is unobstructed by all additive differential torsors over X , then (x_v) is global.

Formalizing differential descent obstructions

- A differential scheme is a scheme X together with a global vector field $D \in \text{Der}_k(X)$.
- $K\{X\}$ is the ring of differential regular functions on X . $(\text{Spec } K\{X\}, \delta)$ is a differential scheme.
- A morphism $(X, D) \rightarrow (X', D')$ of differential schemes is a morphism of schemes $X \rightarrow X'$ such that the sheaf homomorphism $\mathcal{O}_{X'} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X$ is differential.
- A differential fppf cover of (X, D) is a family $\{(X_i, D_i) \rightarrow (X, D)\}$ such that the cover $\{X_i \rightarrow X\}$ is fppf. This defines a differential fppf topology.

Theorem

The exact sequence $0 \rightarrow \mathbf{G}_a^\delta \rightarrow \mathbf{G}_a \xrightarrow{\delta} \mathbf{G}_a \rightarrow 0$ of differential fppf sheaves on $\text{Spec } K\{X\}$ and on $\text{Spec } K$ gives rise to group isomorphisms

$$H^1(\text{Spec } K\{X\}, \mathbf{G}_a^\delta) \cong \frac{K\{X\}}{\delta(K\{X\})} \quad \text{and} \quad H^1(\text{Spec } K, \mathbf{G}_a^\delta) \cong \frac{K}{\delta(K)}.$$

Voloch's differential torsor $\delta(z) = F$, $F \in K[X]$, corresponds to

$$[F] \in H^1(\text{Spec } K\{X\}, \mathbf{G}_a^\delta).$$

Multiplicative differential descent obstructions

- dlog is the log derivative $\mathrm{dlog}(x) = \delta(x)/x$.
- We also have an exact sequence $0 \rightarrow \mathbf{G}_m^\delta \rightarrow \mathbf{G}_m \xrightarrow{\mathrm{dlog}} \mathbf{G}_a \rightarrow 0$ of differential fppf sheaves on $\mathrm{Spec} K\{X\}$ and on $\mathrm{Spec} K$. It induces :

$$H^1(\mathrm{Spec} K, \mathbf{G}_m^\delta) \cong \frac{K}{\mathrm{dlog}(K^\times)} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{K\{X\}}{\delta(K\{X\}^\times)} \hookrightarrow H^1(\mathrm{Spec} K\{X\}, \mathbf{G}_m^\delta).$$

- An adelic point is unobstructed by $\delta(z)/z = F$, $F \in K[X]$, if there exist $(z_v) \in K_v^\times$ and $c \in K$ such that

$$\delta(z_v)/z_v = F(x_v) + c, \quad \text{for all } v \in \Omega_K.$$

Theorem

If (x_v) is unobstructed by all multiplicative differential torsors over X , then (x_v) is global.

By functoriality, it suffices to prove the result when $X = \mathbf{A}^1 \dots$

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