

Lecture 25: Moduli of curves

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$$M_g(T) = \{ C \xrightarrow{f} T \text{ smooth proper, fibres connected curves genus } g \}$$

$$\tilde{M}_g(T) = \{ C \xrightarrow{f} T \text{ as above, together w/ } \sigma: \mathcal{O}_T^{5g-5} \xrightarrow{f_*} \mathcal{L}_{C/T} \}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{C/T} = \omega_{C/T}^{\otimes 3}$$

$$\tilde{M}_g(T) \rightarrow M_g(T) \text{ not surj. as presheaves, but as schemes}$$

(in fibres)  
 Note, for a curve  $C$  as above, Hilbert poly is of the form

$$(6g-6)T + (1-g)$$

↑  
 degree

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 via genus

$\mathcal{H}^1 =$  Hilbert scheme of subschemes of  $\mathbb{P}^{5g-6}$  w/ Hilb. poly.

$\mathcal{H} =$  smooth curves in  $\mathcal{H}^1$  open subscheme.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{\text{closed}} & \mathcal{H}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^{5g-6} & \cong & \mathbb{Z} / \mathcal{H} \\ & \searrow \text{flat.} & \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{smooth} \\ & & \mathcal{H}^1 & \supset & \mathcal{H} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \tilde{M}_g & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{H} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ C \xrightarrow{f} T & & \end{array}$$

$$C \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_T \left( (f_* \mathcal{L}_{C/T})^{\vee} \right) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_T^{5g-6}$$

$$\sigma: \mathcal{O}^{5g-5} \xrightarrow{\sim} f_* L_{C/T}$$

$g$  mod  $2$   $C \in \mathcal{H}(k=\bar{k}) \rightsquigarrow$  define  $L'_{C/T} = \iota^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{5g-6}}(1)$   
 $\iota: C \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{5g-6}$  can check  $L'_{C/T}$  same degree, global sections  $\leftrightarrow L_{C/T}$   
 $f \downarrow \downarrow \pi$   
 $T$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \tilde{\mathcal{H}} & & C, \iota: C \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{5g-6} \\
 \cong & \longrightarrow & \\
 \mathcal{H} & & L'_{C/T} \xrightarrow{\sim} L_{C/T} \\
 \cong & & \downarrow \\
 & & f_* L'_{C/T} = \pi_* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{5g-6}}(1) = \mathcal{O}_T^{5g-5}
 \end{array}$$

$\tilde{\mathcal{H}} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  need to show  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$  representable.

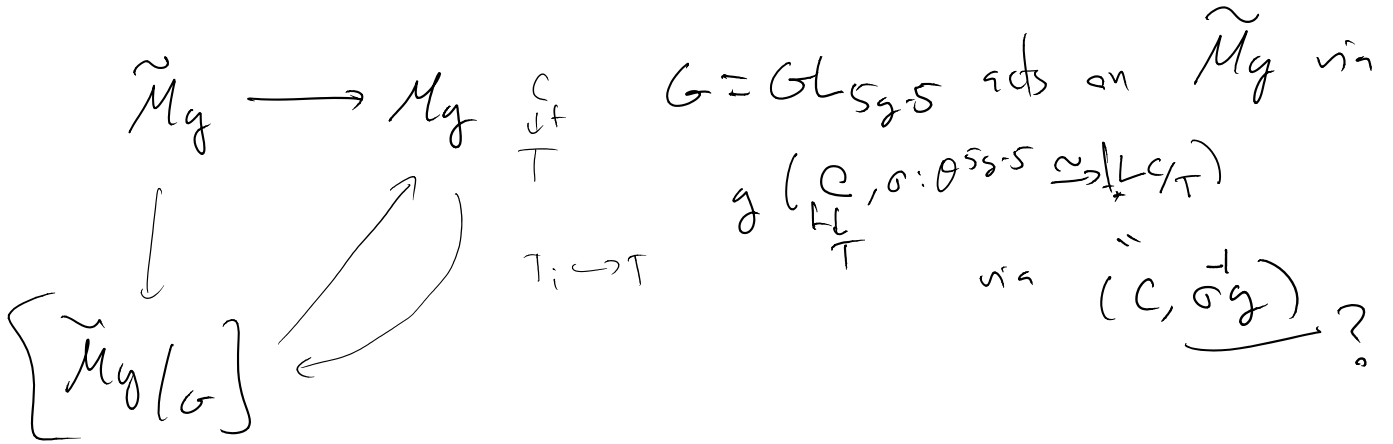
Intermediate:  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}} \quad (C, \tilde{\lambda}) \quad C: C \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{5g-6}$   
 $\tilde{\lambda}: f_* L'_{C/T} \xrightarrow{\sim} f_* L_{C/T}$

$\tilde{\mathcal{H}} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  is a  $GL_{5g-5}$  bundle

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_g & \longrightarrow & \tilde{\mathcal{H}} \\
 (C, \sigma: \mathcal{O}_T^{5g-5} \xrightarrow{\sim} f_* L_{C/T}) & \longmapsto & C \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}(f_* L'_{C/T}) \cong \mathbb{P}^{5g-6} \\
 & & \sigma \text{ induces } \pi_* \mathcal{O}(1) \cong f_* L_{C/T} \\
 & & \begin{array}{c} \text{"} \\ \text{"} \\ f_* L'_{C/T} \end{array} \xrightarrow{\sim}
 \end{array}$$

image of  $\tilde{M}_g$  is naturally  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_g \hookrightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_g \dots$   
 closed

$\Rightarrow \tilde{M}_g$  represented by a scheme. (quasi-projective)



$C, \sigma: \theta^{S_g} \simeq \downarrow L_{C/T}$

$= C$

