

TORIC VALUATIVE CRITERION

The notation will be: R is the discrete valuation ring, K its fraction field. A typical notation is $\text{Spec } K = \eta$, $\text{Spec } R = \{s, \eta\}$ – the spectrum of a dvr always has two points, a generic point η and a closed point s .

The reduction uses some preliminary facts:

- (1) Any ring A can be considered as a monoid under multiplication, and any monoid S gives a ring $\mathbb{C}[S]$ as in class, and we have

$$\text{Hom}(\text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[S], A) = \text{Hom}_{\text{Mon}}(S, A)$$

- (2) We can replace Y by any affine open that contains the special point of $\text{Spec } R$. (Intuitively: we are checking if we can lift the map over the the special point, so what happens far from the point doesn't affect the lifting question).
- (3) If $X \rightarrow Y$ is a map, and X is irreducible with an open dense U , when checking the valuative criterion we can take $\text{Spec } K \rightarrow U \rightarrow X$. (Intuitively: we are checking if the fiber of $X \rightarrow Y$ has a "hole" over a point of Y . If such a hole were there, we could approach it from inside U).

For the valuative criterion, suppose we are given a toric morphism $X = X(F, N) \rightarrow Y = X(G, L)$. By point 2 above, we can assume $Y = X(\sigma, L)$ is affine, and by point (3) that $U = T_N$ is the dense open. Thus, we must check the lifting property for diagrams like this:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{Spec } K & \longrightarrow & T_N = X(0, N) & \longrightarrow & X(F, N) \\ \downarrow & & & \nearrow \text{dashed} & \downarrow \\ \text{Spec } R & \longrightarrow & & \longrightarrow & X(\sigma, L) \end{array}$$

Likewise, the lifting property for one parameter subgroups corresponds to diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{C}^* & \longrightarrow & T_N = X(0, N) & \longrightarrow & X(F, N) \\ \downarrow & & & \nearrow \text{dashed} & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{A}^1 & \longrightarrow & & \longrightarrow & X(\sigma, L) \end{array}$$

Let's call the first lifting LV, and the second LP (lifting valuation, lifting one parameter).

Lemma 0.1. $LP \iff LV$

Proof. In either way, we will use property (1) to reduce the problems to commutative algebra about monoids. **Let's assume LV and show LP.**

Let

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be given. Take $R = \mathbb{C}[[t]]$, and $K = \mathbb{C}((t))$. Since $\mathbb{C}[t]$ is inside R , we have a map $\text{Spec } R \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1$, and similarly $\text{Spec } K$ maps to \mathbb{C}^* . So we can extend our diagram to

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \text{Spec } K & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}^* & \longrightarrow & T_N = X(0, N) & \longrightarrow & X(F, N) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow \\ \text{Spec } R & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{A}^1 & \longrightarrow & & \longrightarrow & X(\sigma, L) \end{array}$$

By LV, we know we can fill the diagram as

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \text{Spec } K & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}^* & \longrightarrow & T_N = X(0, N) & \longrightarrow & X(F, N) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & \nearrow & \downarrow \\ \text{Spec } R & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{A}^1 & \longrightarrow & & \longrightarrow & X(\sigma, L) \end{array}$$

uniquely. Suppose the image of the special point $s \in \text{Spec } R$ lands in $X(\tau, N) \subset X(F, N)$ (since the affine toric varieties cover $X(F, N)$, it will always land in one of the $X(\tau, N)$). So we can reduce the diagram to

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \text{Spec } K & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}^* & \longrightarrow & T_N = X(0, N) & \longrightarrow & X(\tau, N) \xrightarrow{\subset} X(F, N) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & \nearrow & \downarrow \\ \text{Spec } R & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{A}^1 & \longrightarrow & & \longrightarrow & X(\sigma, L) \end{array}$$

To declutter a litter, let's focus on this piece of the diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{Spec } K & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}^* & \longrightarrow & X(\tau, N) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow \\ \text{Spec } R & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{A}^1 & \longrightarrow & X(\sigma, L) \end{array}$$

Since everything is affine, we have that this corresponds to a diagram of rings

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{C}((t)) & \longleftarrow & \mathbb{C}[t, t^{-1}] & \longleftarrow & \mathbb{C}[S_\tau] \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & \nearrow & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{C}[[t]] & \longleftarrow & \mathbb{C}[t] & \longleftarrow & \mathbb{C}[S_\sigma] \end{array}$$

with $S_\tau = \tau^\vee \cap N^*$, $S_\sigma = \sigma^\vee \cap L^*$. By property (1), this translates to a diagram of monoids

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{C}((t)) & \longleftarrow & \mathbb{C}[t, t^{-1}] & \longleftarrow & S_\tau \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & \nearrow & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{C}[[t]] & \longleftarrow & \mathbb{C}[t] & \longleftarrow & S_\sigma \end{array}$$

Actually, we know a little more; since the maps from $\mathbb{C}^*, \mathbb{A}^1$ were assumed to be one parameter subgroups, the map from S_σ to $\mathbb{C}[t] = \mathbb{C}[\mathbb{N}]$ comes from a map $S_\sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$, and so on. So we can further simplify to

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{C}((t)) & \longleftarrow & \mathbb{Z} & \longleftarrow & S_\tau \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & \nearrow & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{C}[[t]] & \longleftarrow & \mathbb{N} & \longleftarrow & S_\sigma \end{array}$$

We now take the canonical valuation $\text{ord} : \mathbb{C}((t)) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$, which measures the order of a Laurent series (given

$$f(t) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} c_k t^k$$

we have $\text{ord} f(t)$ is the minimal k such that $c_k \neq 0$). So let's compose with the valuation. We get:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{Z} & \xleftarrow{\text{ord}} & \mathbb{C}((t)) & \longleftarrow & \mathbb{Z} & \longleftarrow & S_\tau \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & \nearrow & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{N} & \xleftarrow{\text{ord}} & \mathbb{C}[[t]] & \longleftarrow & \mathbb{N} & \longleftarrow & S_\sigma \end{array}$$

But now note that the compositions $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[[t]] \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ and $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}((t)) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ are the identity. So the arrow $S_\tau \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[[t]] \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ lifts to an arrow through \mathbb{N} , i.e. our diagram becomes

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{C}((t)) & \longleftarrow & \mathbb{Z} & \longleftarrow & S_\tau \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & \nearrow & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{C}[[t]] & \longleftarrow & \mathbb{N} & \longleftarrow & S_\sigma \end{array}$$

But from

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{Z} & \longleftarrow & S_\tau \\ \uparrow & \nearrow & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{N} & \longleftarrow & S_\sigma \end{array}$$

we can reverse our steps and build

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{C}^* & \longrightarrow & X(\tau, \mathbb{N}) \\ \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{A}^1 & \longrightarrow & X(\sigma, \mathbb{L}) \end{array}$$

which is what we were trying to do. **So LV implies LP.**

Conversely, **assume LP** holds, and that we start with a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{Spec } K & \longrightarrow & T_{\mathbb{N}} = X(0, \mathbb{N}) & \longrightarrow & X(F, \mathbb{N}) \\ \downarrow & & & \nearrow & \downarrow \\ \text{Spec } R & \longrightarrow & & & X(\sigma, \mathbb{L}) \end{array}$$

where now R is an unnamed dvr (not necessarily $\mathbb{C}[[t]]$ as above). Our goal is to fill the dashed arrow. We first get the diagram of rings

$$\begin{array}{ccc} K & \longleftarrow & \mathbb{C}[N^*] \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ R & \longleftarrow & \mathbb{C}[S_\sigma] \end{array}$$

for $S_\sigma = \sigma^\vee \cap L$. We use (1) now to reduce this to a diagram of monoids

$$\begin{array}{ccc} K & \longleftarrow & N^* \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ R & \longleftarrow & S_\sigma \end{array}$$

We now compose with the valuation $\text{ord} : K \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ (this is part of the data defining a valuation field and ring). We get

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{Z} & \longleftarrow & K & \longleftarrow & N^* \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{N} & \longleftarrow & R & \longleftarrow & S_\sigma \end{array}$$

which gives us a diagram of one parameter subgroups

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{C}^* & \longrightarrow & \text{Spec } K & \longrightarrow & T_N = X(0, N) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{A}^1 & \longrightarrow & \text{Spec } R & \longrightarrow & X(\sigma, L) \end{array}$$

Since we are assuming LP, we know how to fill this diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathbb{C}^* & \longrightarrow & \text{Spec } K & \longrightarrow & T_N = X(0, N) & \xrightarrow{\subset} & X(F, N) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{A}^1 & \longrightarrow & \text{Spec } R & \longrightarrow & X(\sigma, L) & \longleftarrow & \end{array}$$

By the same argument as before, we can find an affine $X(\tau, N) \subset X(F, N)$ that contains the image of the point $0 \in \mathbb{A}^1$, and so we can simplify the picture a little:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{C}^* & \longrightarrow & \text{Spec } K & \longrightarrow & X(\tau, N) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{A}^1 & \longrightarrow & \text{Spec } R & \longrightarrow & X(\sigma, L) \end{array}$$

Now we will go back to algebra, to our diagram of monoids

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathbb{Z} & \xleftarrow{\text{ord}} & K & \xleftarrow{\quad} & S_\tau \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & \nearrow & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{N} & \xleftarrow{\text{ord}} & R & \xleftarrow{\quad} & S_\sigma \end{array}$$

and we use the defining property of a valuation ring: R is the subset of K consisting of elements f such that $\text{ord}(f) \geq 0$. Since S_τ maps to K , and the composition $S_\tau \rightarrow K \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ factors through \mathbb{N} , the map $S_\tau \rightarrow K$ factors through R . Thus, we have

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathbb{Z} & \longleftarrow & K & \longleftarrow & S_\tau \\
 \uparrow & & \uparrow & \nearrow & \uparrow \\
 \mathbb{N} & \longleftarrow & R & \longleftarrow & S_\sigma
 \end{array}$$

and going back to geometry

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \mathbb{C}^* & \longrightarrow & \text{Spec } K & \longrightarrow & X(\tau, \mathbb{N}) \subset X(F, \mathbb{N}) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & \nearrow & \downarrow \\
 \mathbb{A}^1 & \longrightarrow & \text{Spec } R & \longrightarrow & X(\sigma, L)
 \end{array}$$

which is exactly what we wanted.

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