## Algebraic Geometry II Homework Appendix A: Intersection Theory

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**Exercise 6** (by Yi-Heng Tsai).

Let  $i: X \to X \times X$  be the diagonal map. Consider the exact sequence  $0 \to \mathcal{T}_X \to \mathcal{T}_{X \times X}|_X \to \mathcal{N} \to 0$ , then we have  $c(\mathcal{T}_X).c(\mathcal{N}) = c(\mathcal{T}_{X \times X}|_X) = c(\mathcal{T}_X)^2$ . Hence,  $c_n(\mathcal{T}_X) = c_n(\mathcal{N}) = i^*i_*(1_X) = \Delta^2$  by (C7).

Exercise 7 (by Yu–Chi Hou).

By Hirzebruch-Riemann-Roch, for any non-singualar projective n-fold X, any locally free sheaf  $\mathcal{E}$  on X, one has

$$\chi(\mathcal{E}) = \deg(\operatorname{ch}(\mathcal{E}).\operatorname{td}(\mathcal{T}_X))_n, \tag{HRR}$$

where  $\mathcal{T}_X$  is the tangent sheaf of X. Now, we consider the case n = 3.

First, for  $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{O}_X$ , one has

$$p_a(X) = (-1)^3 (\chi(\mathcal{O}_x - 1)) = 1 - \chi(\mathcal{O}_X)$$

and

$$c(\mathcal{O}_X) = 1 \in A^*(X).$$

Therefore, HRR gives

$$\chi(\mathcal{O}_X) = 1 - p_a(X) = \deg(\operatorname{td}(\mathcal{T}_X))_3$$

Let  $c_i := c_i(X)$  be the *i*-th Chern classes of X, for i = 1, 2, 3. Then one has

$$\operatorname{td}(\mathcal{T}_X) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}c_1 + \frac{1}{12}(c_1^2 + c_2) + \frac{1}{24}c_1c_2,$$

Thus,  $\deg(\operatorname{td}(\mathcal{T}_X))_3 = c_1 c_2/24$ . This proves the first part.

For the second part, for any divisor D, take  $\mathcal{E}$  to be the associated invertible sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_X(D)$ . Then it has Chern polynomial  $c_t(\mathcal{O}_X(D)) = 1 + tD$  and thus its Chern character is given by

$$\operatorname{ch}(\mathcal{O}_X(D)) = 1 + D + \frac{1}{2}D^2 + \frac{1}{6}D^3.$$

By HRR,

$$\chi(\mathcal{O}_X(D)) = \deg((1+D+\frac{1}{2}D^2+\frac{1}{6}D^3))(1+\frac{1}{2}c_1+\frac{1}{12}(c_1^2+c_2)+\frac{1}{24}c_1c_2))_3$$

By direct computing, the degree 3 component of right hand side is given by

$$\frac{1}{24}c_1c_2 + \frac{1}{12}D(c_1^2 + c_2) + \frac{1}{4}D^2c_1 + \frac{1}{6}D^3.$$
(1)

Since  $c_1(X) = -c_1(\omega_X) = -K$  and  $c_1c_2/24 = \chi(\mathcal{O}_X) = 1 - p_a(X)$  by previous part, (1) becomes

$$1 - p_a(X) + \frac{1}{12}(D \cdot K^2 - 3D^2 \cdot K + 2D^3) + \frac{1}{12}D \cdot c_2 = \frac{1}{12}D \cdot (D - K) \cdot (2D - K) + \frac{1}{12}D \cdot c_2$$

This proves the second assertion.

Exercise 8 (by Yu–Chi Hou).

As in exercise 8, for  $X = \mathbb{P}^3$ ,

$$\operatorname{td}(\mathcal{T}_X) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}c_1(X) + \frac{1}{12}(c_1^2(X) + c_2(X)) + \frac{1}{24}c_1(X)c_2(X),$$

On the other hand,  $\mathcal{E}$  is a rank 2 locally free sheaf with Chern classes  $c_1, c_2$ 

$$\operatorname{ch}(\mathcal{E}) = 2 + c_1 + \frac{1}{2}(c_1^2 - 2c_2) + \frac{1}{6}(c_1^3 - 3c_1c_2)$$

By (HRR),

$$\chi(\mathcal{E}) = \deg_3(\mathrm{td}(\mathcal{T}_X)\mathrm{ch}(\mathcal{E}))_3$$

Hence,

$$\chi(\mathcal{E}) = \frac{1}{12}c_1(X)c_2(X) + \frac{1}{12}c_1(c_1^2(X) + c_2(X)) + \frac{1}{4}c_1(x)(c_1^2 - 2c_2) + \frac{1}{6}(c_1^3 - 3c_1c_2)$$

Then the left hand side is an integer, but right hand side is a priori a rational number only. Since  $X = \mathbb{P}^3$ , by Euler sequence,  $c_k(X) = \binom{4}{k}h^k$ , where  $h \in A^1(X)$  is the hyperplane class. Therefore,  $c_1(X) = 4h$ ,  $c_2(X) = 6h^2$ ,  $c_3(X) = 4h^3 = 4$ . As a result,

$$\chi(\mathcal{E}) = 2 + \frac{11c_1 \cdot h^2}{6} + h \cdot (c_1^2 - 2c_2) + \frac{c_1^3}{6} - \frac{c_1 \cdot c_2}{2}$$

Exercise 9 (by Yi-Heng Tsai).

- (a) The goal is to verify  $d^2 10d 5H.K 2K^2 + 12 + 12p_a = 0$ . By the definition of rational cubic scroll, we have  $K \equiv -2C_0 3f$  and  $H \equiv C_0 + 2f$ . Thus,  $d^2 10d 5H.K 2K^2 + 12 + 12p_a = 9 30 + 25 16 + 12 + 0 = 0$ .
- (b) By the definition of K3 surface, we have K = 0 and  $p_a = 1$ . Thus the formula in (4.1.3) becomes  $d^2 10d + 24 = 0$ , which implies d = 4, 6.

- (c) Again, by the definition of abelian surface, the formula in (4.1.3) becomes  $d^2 10d = 0$ , which implies d = 10.
- (d) Assume  $X_e$  can be embedded in  $\mathbb{P}^4$  by the very ample divisor  $H \equiv aC_0 + bf$ . Then  $5 = h^0(\mathcal{L}(H)) = h^0(\pi_*\mathcal{L}(H)) = h^0((\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(-e))^{\otimes a} \otimes \mathcal{O}(b)) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^a C_i^a \mathcal{O}(b ie) = (\sum_{i=1}^a C_i^a(b ie + 1))$ . Note that we have a > 0, b > ae and  $e \ge 0$ . Thus, (a, b, e) = (1, 2, 1). Indeed, by the above facts, a = 1, 2, 3, 4. When a = 1, we have 5 = 2b e + 2, which implies (a, b, e) = (1, 2, 1). When a = 2, we have 5 = 4b 4e + 4, which is impossible. The rest cases (a = 3, 4) admit no solution similarly. Combining with (a), the rational ruled surface  $X_e, e \ge 0$  which admitting an embedding in  $\mathbb{P}^4$  is the rational cubic scroll in  $\mathbb{P}^4$ .

Exercise 10 (by Yi-Heng Tsai).

Suppose we have such embedding, then consider the exact sequence  $0 \to \mathcal{T}_X \to \mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^5}|_X \to \mathcal{N}_{Y/X} \to 0$ where  $i: X \to Y = \mathbb{P}^5$  is the embedding. Thus,  $c(\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^5}|_X) = c(\mathcal{T}_X).c(\mathcal{N}_{Y/X})$  i.e.  $1 + 6x + 15x^2 + 20x^3 = 1.(1 + c_1(\mathcal{N}_{Y/X}) + c_2(\mathcal{N}_{Y/X}))$  with x the pullback of  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ . Therefore we get  $20x^3 = 0$ , which is impossible.

## Algebraic Geometry II Homework Appendix B: Transcendental Methods

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Exercise 1 (by Yu–Chi Hou).

Suppose  $\mathbb{D} := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\} = X^h$  for some scheme X over  $\mathbb{C}$ . Then X must be 1-dimensional non-singular algebraic variety over  $\mathbb{C}$ . Since X is quasi-projective, we can take normalization Y of closure of X with respect to the embedding. Hence, we can write

$$X = Y \setminus \{P_1, \dots, P_n\},\$$

for some  $n \ge 1$ . Also, Y is non-singular complete (and hence projective) curve. By Chow's theorem, its associated analytic space  $Y^h = Y$  is a compact Riemann surface of genus g. If  $g \ge 1$ , then Y is not simply connected and hence  $X^h$  which is puntured Riemann surface is not simply connected as well. However,  $\mathbb{D}$  is contractible and hence simply conected. Therefore, one must have  $Y = \mathbb{P}^1$ . If n > 2, then  $X^h$  is homeomorphic to n - 1 puntured complex plane, which is again not simply connected. If n = 1, then  $X^h \cong \mathbb{C}$ . However, by Liouville theorem, there cannot be any non-constant holomorphic map from  $\mathbb{C}$  to  $\mathbb{D}$ . Thus,  $\mathbb{C}$  cannot be biholomorphic to  $\mathbb{D}$ . This gives the contradiction.

Exercise 2 (by Tzu-Yang Chou).

Assume that there exists an desired ideal sheaf  $\mathscr{I}$ . Then since it is over affine line, it corresponds to an ideal of  $\mathbb{C}[z]$ , which is principal. But its generator can not have infinitely many zeros since it's a polynomial, which leads to a contradiction. On the other hand, by complex analysis, we can construct a holomorphic function f with prescribed zeros  $z_1, z_2, \ldots$  and then the sheaf corresponding to the  $\mathbb{C}[z]$ -module generated by f is our desired coherent sheaf.

# Algebraic Geometry II Homework Appendix C: The Weil Conjectures

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Exercise 1 (by Yu–Chi Hou).

Let  $N_r^{(i)}$  be the number of  $\mathbb{F}_{q^r} := k_r$ -rational points of  $\bar{X}_i = X_i \times_k \bar{k}$ . Since  $X = \coprod_i X_i$ ,  $N_r = \sum_i N_r^{(i)}$ , for all  $r \in \mathbb{N}$  and for all i. Hence, the Zeta function for X is given by

$$Z(X;t) = \exp\left(\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} N_r \frac{t^r}{r}\right) = \exp\left(\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_i N_r^{(i)}\right) \frac{t^r}{r}\right) = \exp\left(\sum_i \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} N_r^{(i)} \frac{t^r}{r}\right)$$

Thus,

$$Z(X;t) = \prod_{i} \exp\left(\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} N_r^{(i)} \frac{t^r}{r}\right) = \prod_{i} Z(X_i;t).$$

Exercise 2 (by Po-Sheng Wu).

For the projective space of dimension n we have  $N_r = \frac{q^{r(n+1)} - 1}{q^r - 1} = (1 + q^r + \dots + q^{rn})$ , so

$$Z(\mathbb{P}_n, t) = \exp(\sum_{r=1}^{n} (1 + q^r + \dots + q^{rn}) \frac{t^r}{r}) = \exp(\sum_{i=0}^{n} -\log(1 - q^i t)) = \frac{1}{(1 - t)(1 - qt)^2 \dots (1 - q^n t)}$$

Exercise 3 (by Yu–Chi Hou).

Observe that  $N_r(X \times \mathbb{A}^1) = N_r(X) \times N_r(\mathbb{A}^1) = q^r N_r(X)$ . Hence, the Zeta function

$$Z(X \times \mathbb{A}^1; t) = \exp\left(\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} N_r(X \times \mathbb{A}^1) \frac{t^r}{r}\right) = \exp\left(\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} N_r(X) \frac{(qt)^r}{r}\right) = Z(X; qt)$$

Exercise 4 (by Yu–Chi Hou).

Consider

$$\zeta_X(s) := \prod_{x \in X_{\rm cl}} (1 - N(x)^{-s})^{-1},$$

where  $X_{cl}$  is the set of closed points of X, N(x) = |k(x)|. Since X is defined over  $k = \mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $x \in X_{cl}$  if and only if k(x)/k is a finite algebraic extension and hence  $N(x) = q^{[k(x):k]}$ . Let  $D_r := \{x \in X_{cl} : [k(x):k] = r\}$ and  $d_r := |D_r|$ , then for  $x \in D_r$ ,  $N(x) = q^r$ . Thus, we can write  $\zeta_X(s)$  into

$$\zeta_X(s) = \prod_{r \ge 1} (1 - q^{-rs})^{-d_r}$$

Next, observe that for  $k_l = \mathbb{F}_{q^l}$ , we claim the following:

### Claim.

$$N_l := |\overline{X}(k_l)| = \sum_{r|l} rd_r$$

Assuming the claim for now, we show that  $\zeta_X(s) = Z(X;q^{-s})$ . Taking logarithm on  $Z(X;q^{-s})$ ,

$$\log Z(X; q^{-s}) = \sum_{l \ge 1} N_l \frac{q^{-sl}}{l} = \sum_{l \ge 1} \left( \sum_{r|l} r d_r \right) \frac{q^{-ls}}{l} = \sum_{r \ge 1} d_r \sum_{k \ge 1} \frac{q^{-rks}}{k} = -\sum_{r \ge 1} d_r \log(1 - q^{-rs}).$$

On the other hand, taking logarithm on  $\zeta_X(s)$ ,

$$\log \zeta_X(s) = -\sum_{r \ge 1} d_r \log(1 - q^{-rs})$$

Hence, this porves the assertion.

*Proof of Claim.* Recall that a  $k_l$ -rational point of  $\overline{X}$  is a morphism of scheme  $\operatorname{Spec}(k_l) \to \overline{X}$  and thus

$$\overline{X}(k_l) = \operatorname{Hom}_{\operatorname{Spec} k}(\operatorname{Spec}(k_l), \overline{X})$$

By Hartshorne Ex.II.2.7 and the fact that x is a  $k_l$ -rational points if and only if k(x)/k is finite algebraic and thus  $x \in X_{cl}$ ,

$$\overline{X}(k_l) = \operatorname{Hom}_{\operatorname{Spec} k}(\operatorname{Spec}(k_l), \overline{X}) = \prod_{x \in X_{\operatorname{cl}}} \operatorname{Hom}_{k-\operatorname{alg}}(k(x), k_l) = \prod_{x \in D_r, r|l} \operatorname{Hom}_{k-\operatorname{alg}}(k(x), k_l)$$

Now, for  $x \in D_r$ , then  $\operatorname{Hom}_{k-\operatorname{alg}}(k(x), k_l)$  has a transitive action by  $\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{F}_{q^l}/\mathbb{F}_q) \cong \mathbb{Z}/l\mathbb{Z}$ . Moreover, the stabilizer of each element is just  $\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{F}_{q^l}/\mathbb{F}_{q^r})$ . Thus,

$$N_l = |\overline{X}(k_l)| = \sum_{x \in D_r, r|l} |\operatorname{Hom}_{k-\operatorname{alg}}(k(x), k_l)| = \sum_{x \in D_r, r|l} \frac{|\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{F}_{q^l}/\mathbb{F}_q)|}{|\operatorname{Gal}(\mathbb{F}_{q^l}/\mathbb{F}_{q^r})|} = \sum_{x \in D_r, r|l} r = \sum_{r|l} r d_r.$$

Exercise 5 (by Yu–Chi Hou).

By Weil conjecture, we know that the zeta function for X is given by

$$Z(X;t) = \frac{(1 - \alpha_1 t) \cdots (1 - \alpha_{2g} t)}{(1 - t)(1 - qt)},$$

Write  $N_r = 1 - a_r + q^r$ , where  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_{2g}$  are algebraic integers with  $|\alpha_i| = q^{1/2}$ . By Exercise 7,  $a_r = \sum_{i=1}^{2g} \alpha_i^r$ . Thus, for r > 2g,  $a_r = \sum_{i=1}^{2g} \alpha_i^r$  is the symmetric polynomial in  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_{2g}$ , which can be generated by the power sum symmetric polynomial  $a_1, \ldots, a_{2g}$ . Hence, knowing  $N_1, \ldots, N_{2g}$  suffices to determine  $N_r$  for all  $r \ge 1$ . It remains to show that  $N_1, \ldots, N_g$  already determine  $N_{g+1}, \ldots, N_{2g}$ .

In view of the proof of Theorem 4.4 in Hartshorne Appendix C, one finds that in the case of curve,  $B_1(C) = 2g$ . The functional equation is given by

$$Z(X; \frac{1}{qt}) = q^{1-g} t^{2-2g} Z(X; t)$$

A little unwinding shows (cf. calculation in Exercise 7c)

$$(qt - \alpha_1) \cdots (qt - \alpha_{2g}) = q^g (1 - \alpha_1 t) \cdots (1 - \alpha_{2g} t).$$

This shows that the set (counted multiplicities)  $\{\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_{2g}\}$  is invariant under  $x \mapsto q/x$ . Moreover, since  $P(t) = (1 - \alpha_1 t) \cdots (1 - \alpha_{2g} t)$  is a rational polynomial in t, the roots of P(t) must come in conjugate pairs. By Riemann hypothesis,  $|\alpha_i| = q^{1/2}$ ,  $\overline{\alpha_i} = |\alpha_i|^2 / \alpha_i = q/\alpha_i$ . Combining these observations, we may rename indices of  $\alpha_i$  so that  $\alpha_{2g-i+1} = q/\alpha_i$ , for  $i = 1, \ldots, g$ . Thus, we can write P(t) as

$$P(t) = (1 - \alpha_1 t)(1 - \alpha_2 t) \cdots (1 - \alpha_g t)(1 - \frac{q}{\alpha_g} t) \cdots (1 - \frac{q}{\alpha_1} t) = c_{2g} t^{2g} + c_{2g-1} t^{2g-1} + \cdots + c_1 t + c_0,$$

where  $c_{2g} = q^g$ ,  $c_0 = 1$ . By above observation, consider

$$f(t) = \prod_{i=1}^{2g} (t - \alpha_i) = t^{2g} + c_1 t^{2g-1} + \dots + c_{2g-1} t + c_{2g}$$

then  $t^{2g}f(q/t)$  has the same roots as f(t). In other words,

$$t^{2g}f(q/t) = q^g + c_1q^{2g-1}t + \dots + c_{2g}t^{2g} = q^gc_0t^{2g} + q^gc_1t^{2g-1} + \dots + q^gc_{2g-1}t + c_{2g}q^g = q^gf(t)$$

Then by comparing coefficients, one finds that

$$c_{g+l} = q^l c_{g-l}, \quad l = 0, \dots, g.$$

Also,  $c_i = (-1)^i \sigma_i$ , where  $\sigma_i$  is the elementary symmetric polynomial of degree *i* in  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_{2g}$ . Thus,  $\sigma_{g+l} = q^l \sigma_{g-l}$ . By Newton's identity,

$$\sigma_k = \frac{1}{k} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} (-1)^{i-1} \sigma_{k-i} a_i \right), \quad k = 1, \dots, g.$$

Hence,  $\sigma_1, \ldots, \sigma_g$  is determined by  $a_1, \ldots, a_g$ . On the other hand,

$$a_k = (-1)^{k-1} k \sigma_k + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} (-1)^{k-1+i} \sigma_{k-i} a_i, \quad k = g+1, \dots, 2g.$$

shows that  $a_{g+1}, \ldots, a_{2g}$  can be determined inductive by  $a_1, \ldots, a_g$  and  $\sigma_i$ . From  $\sigma_{g+l} = q^l \sigma_{g-l}$ , we conclude that  $a_{g+1}, \ldots, a_{2g}$  can be determined by  $a_1, \ldots, a_g$ . Therefore,  $N_i = 1 + q^i - a_i$  is determined by  $N_1, \ldots, N_g$ , for  $i = g + 1, \ldots, 2g$ .

#### Exercise 6 (by Po-Sheng Wu).

By IV.Ex 4.16(c), we have  $N_r = 1 - a_r + q^r = 1 - (f^r + \hat{f}^r) + q^r$  (identity in  $\mathbb{Q}(f) \subset \text{End}^0(E)$ ), so

$$Z(t) = \exp\left(\sum_{r=1} (1 - (f^r + \hat{f}^r) + q^r) \frac{t^r}{r}\right)$$
  
=  $\exp(-\log(1 - t) + \log(1 + ft) + \log(1 + \bar{f}t) - \log(1 + qt))$   
=  $\frac{(1 - ft)(1 - \bar{f}t)}{(1 - t)(1 - qt)} = \frac{1 - at + qt^2}{(1 - t)(1 - qt)}$ 

E = 0, thus  $Z(1/(qt)) = \frac{1 - a/(qt) + 1/(qt^2)}{(1 - 1/(qt))(1 - 1/t)} = \frac{qt^2 - at + 1}{(qt - 1)(t - 1)} = Z(t)$ . Since  $|a| \le 2q^{1/2}$ , the two outs of  $1 - ta + at^2$  are either both  $+a^{1/2}$  or non-real hence are conjugate with each other and has absolute

roots of  $1 - ta + qt^2$  are either both  $\pm q^{1/2}$  or non-real, hence are conjugate with each other and has absolute value  $q^{1/2}$ .

Exercise 7 (by Yu-Chi Hou).

(a) For a curve C of genus g defined over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ , the Zeta function is given by

$$Z(C;t) = \frac{(1 - \alpha_1 t) \cdots (1 - \alpha_{2g} t)}{(1 - t)(1 - qt)},$$

where  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{2g}$  are all algebraic integers. Taking logarithm on both sides,

$$\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} N_r \frac{t^r}{r} = \log Z(C;t) = \sum_{i=1}^{2g} \log(1 - \alpha_i t) - \log(1 - t) - \log(1 - qt).$$

Using the Taylor expansion  $\log(1-x) = -\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^r}{r}$  to expand right hand side, one has

$$\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} N_r \frac{t^r}{r} = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+q^r - \sum_{i=1}^{2g} \alpha_i^r)t^r}{r}$$

By comparing coefficients and writing  $N_r = 1 + q^r - a_r$ , we obtain

$$a_r = \sum_{i=1}^{2g} \alpha_i^r.$$

(b) If  $|\alpha_i| \leq \sqrt{q}$ , then

$$|a_r| = \left|\sum_{i=1}^{2g} \alpha_i^r\right| \le \sum_{i=1}^{2g} |\alpha_i|^r \le 2g\sqrt{q^r}, \quad \text{for all } r.$$

Conversely, if  $|a_r| \leq 2g\sqrt{q^r}$  for all r, then consider the generating function

$$\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} a_r t^r = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{2g} \alpha_i^r t^r = \sum_{i=1}^{2g} \sum_{r \ge 1} (\alpha_i t)^r = \sum_{i=1}^{2g} \frac{\alpha_i t}{1 - \alpha_i t}.$$
 (A)

Notice that

$$\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} |a_r| \, |t|^r \le \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} 2g(q^{1/2}|t|)^r = \frac{2gq^{1/2}|t|}{1-q^{1/2}|t|}$$

Thus, for  $|t| < q^{-1/2}$ , the generating function converges absolutely and hence the expression in (A) is legitimate. Moreover, (A) shows that the generating function has poles at  $t = 1/\alpha_i$ . But above estimates shows that those poles cannot occur in the disk  $|t| < q^{-1/2}$ . As a result, we obtain that for all  $i = 1, \ldots, 2g$ ,  $|1/\alpha_i| \ge q^{-1/2}$  and hence  $|\alpha_i| \le \sqrt{q}$ .

(c) By functional equation,

$$Z(C;1/qt) = \pm q^{E/2} t^E Z(C;t)$$

Since  $E = c_2(C) = 2 - 2g$  and C is a curve (cf. Discussion in Exercise 5),

$$Z(C; \frac{1}{qt}) = q^{1-g} t^{2-2g} Z(C; t)$$

That is,

$$\frac{(1-\frac{\alpha_1}{qt})\cdots(1-\frac{\alpha_{2g}}{qt})}{(1-\frac{1}{qt})(1-\frac{1}{t})} = q^{1-g}t^{2-2g}\frac{(1-\alpha_1t)\cdots(1-\alpha_{2g}t)}{(1-t)(1-qt)}$$

and thus

$$\frac{(t - \frac{\alpha_1}{q}) \cdots (t - \frac{\alpha_{2g}}{q})}{(qt - 1)(t - 1)} = q^{-g} \frac{(1 - \alpha_1 t) \cdots (1 - \alpha_{2g} t)}{(1 - t)(1 - qt)}$$

This gives

$$(t-\alpha_1/q)\cdots(t-\alpha_{2g}/q)=q^{-g}(1-\alpha_1t)\cdots(1-\alpha_{2g}t).$$

This shows that  $|\alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_{2g}| = q^g$ . Thus, if there exists  $j \in \{1, 2, \ldots, 2g\}$  such that  $|\alpha_j| < \sqrt{q}$ , then  $|\alpha_1 \cdots \alpha_{2g}| < q^g$ , a contradiction. In conclusion, one must have  $|\alpha_i| = \sqrt{q}$ , for all *i*.