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### Chapter 1

### Introduction

#### 1.1 Background

Zariski's cancellation problem for an affine variety V (ZCP for V) asks whether the existence of an isomorphism between  $V \times_k \mathbb{A}^1$  and  $W \times_k \mathbb{A}^1$  for an affine variety W implies that V and W are isomorphic. ZCP is known to hold for affine curves [1],  $\mathbb{A}^2$  [13][23], non- $\mathbb{A}^1$ -uniruled affine varieties [3][18][5][6], and line bundles over non- $\mathbb{A}^1$ -uniruled affine varieties [6]. ZCP for  $\mathbb{A}^n$  still remains unsolved for  $n \geq 3$  in characteristic zero. However, in positive characteristic, Gupta [16] proved that ZCP for  $\mathbb{A}^n$  does not hold if  $n \geq 3$ .

	ch(k) = 0	$\operatorname{ch}(k) > 0$
n = 1	$\checkmark$ Abhyankar-Hainzer-Eakin'72	
n=2	$\checkmark$ Fujita'79, Miyanishi-Sugie'80	$\checkmark {\rm Russel'81}$
$n \ge 3$	???	$\times$ Gupta'14

Table 1.1: Zariski's cancellation problem for  $\mathbb{A}^n$ 

Counterexamples have also been constructed in characteristic 0 using 1stably free modules over a ring (e.g., [17] [25]) or the so-called "Danielewski's fiber product trick".

**Lemma 1.1.1** (Danielewski's fiber product trick [4]). Let X be a k-scheme. If two affine k-schemes V and W are isomorphic to principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over X, then  $V \times_k \mathbb{A}^1 \simeq_k W \times_k \mathbb{A}^1$ . *Proof.* Since V (resp. W) is affine, principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over V (resp. W) are all trivial. Since  $V \times_X W$  is a principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over V and W,  $V \times_k \mathbb{A}^1 \simeq V \times_X W \simeq W \times_k \mathbb{A}^1$ .

If V and W above are not isomorphic, then W is a counterexample to ZCP for V. On the other hand, such a counterexample can not be constructed if Xis affine, since there exists a one to one correspondence between  $\mathrm{H}^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ and isomorphicm classes of principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over a scheme X. This fact implies that if X is affine, then any principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over an affine scheme X is isomorphic to  $X \times_k \mathbb{A}^1$ . Therefore principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over non-affine schemes have been studied

Counterexamples to ZCP for principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over a noetherian integral scheme X nonseparated over  $\mathbb{C}$  were constructed in the case where X is a scheme of the following form:

**Definition 1.1.2.** Let Y be a variety, Z a closed subvariety of Y, and  $r \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $Y_0, \ldots, Y_r$  be r + 1 copies of Y. Then

$$Y_{+}rZ := Y \sqcup_{Y \setminus Z} \underbrace{Y \sqcup_{Y \setminus Z} \cdots \sqcup_{Y \setminus Z} Y}_{r} = Y_{0} \sqcup_{Y \setminus Z} Y_{1} \sqcup_{Y \setminus Z} \cdots \sqcup_{Y \setminus Z} Y_{r}.$$

Namely  $Y_+rZ$  is a non-separated k-scheme obtained by gluing r+1 copies of Y along  $Y \setminus Z$ .

If  $Y = \operatorname{Spec}(R)$  is an affine variety and  $Z = \bigcup Z_i$  is the union of principal hypersurfaces  $Z_i$  defined by  $f_i \in R$  for each  $i = 1, \ldots, n$ , then a principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over  $Y_+Z$  is defined by an element g of  $R_{f_1,\ldots,f_n}$ , and we denote it by  $V_g$  (See section 2.1 for the construction). If  $g = \prod_{i=1}^n f_i^{-m_i}$ , then  $V_g$  is isomorphic to  $A_{m_1,\ldots,m_n} := \operatorname{Spec}(R[s,t]/(\prod_{i=1}^n f_i^{-m_i} \cdot s - t^2 + 1))$ . Danielewski [4] proved that if  $Y = \mathbb{A}^1$  and  $Z = \{0\}$ , then  $A_1$  is not

Danielewski [4] proved that if  $Y = \mathbb{A}^1$  and  $Z = \{0\}$ , then  $A_1$  is not isomorphic to  $A_n$  for n > 1. Later Fieseler [11] proved that if Y is a smooth affine curve and Z is a point, then  $A_m$  is isomorphic to  $A_n$  if and only if m = n. In higher dimension, Dubouloz [8] proved that if  $Y = \mathbb{A}^l$  and Z is the union of coordinate hyperplane, then  $A_{m_1,\dots,m_l} \ncong A_{n_1,\dots,n_l}$  if  $\{m_1,\dots,m_l\} \neq$  $\{n_1,\dots,n_l\}$ . Drylo [6][7] proved that if Y is a non- $\mathbb{A}^1$ -uniruled affine variety, and Z is the union of principal hypersurfaces of Y, then  $A_{m_1,\dots,m_n} \ncong A_{m'_1,\dots,m'_n}$ if there exists  $i \in \{1,\dots,n\}$  such that  $m_i \notin \{m'_1,\dots,m'_n\}$ .

In the case where the base scheme X of a principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle is a quasiaffine variety, Counterexamples have been constructed if X is the non-zero locus  $D(f_1, f_2)$  of two regular functions  $f_1, f_2$  on an affine variety Y = Spec(R).

	Y	r	Z
Danielewski	$\mathbb{A}^1$	1	0
Fieseler	smooth affine curve	$r \in \mathbb{N}$	point
Dubouloz	$\mathbb{A}^n$	$r \in \mathbb{N}$	coordinate hyperplanes
Dryło	non-uniruled affine variety	1	principal hypersurface

Table 1.2: Counterexamples to ZCP for principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over  $X = Y_+ rZ$ 

In this case, a principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over  $D(f_1, f_2)$  is defined by an element g of  $R_{f_1f_2}$ , and we denote by  $V_g$  the principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over  $D(f_1, f_2)$  defined by g (see Section 3.1 for the construction). If  $g = f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}$ , then  $V_g$  is isomorphic to  $A_{m,n} := \operatorname{Spec}(R[s,t]/(f_1^m s + f_2^n t - 1))$ . For this problem, Finston-Maubach [12] proved that if  $R = \mathbb{C}[x, y, z]/(x^a + y^b + z^c)$ , where a, b, c are pairwise relatively prime positive integers satisfying 1/a + 1/b + 1/c < 1 and if  $f_1 = x$ ,  $f_2 = y$ , then  $A_{m,n} \simeq_{\mathbb{C}} A_{m',n'}$  for nonnegative integers m, n, m', n' if and only if (m, n) = (m', n').

Such a result does not hold for general R. For example, Dubouloz-Finston-Mehta [10] proved that if  $R = \mathbb{C}[x, y]$ ,  $f_1 = x$ , and  $f_2 = y$ , then m + n = m' + n' implies  $A_{m,n} \simeq_{\mathbb{C}} A_{m',n'}$ . Moreover, Dubouloz-Finston [9] proved that even if (m, n) = (m', n'), there exists  $h, h' \in R = \mathbb{C}[x, y]$  such that  $V_g \ncong V_{g'}$  for  $g = h \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}$  and  $g' = h' \cdot f_1^{-m'} f_2^{-n'}$ . More precisely, they showed that  $A(m, n, p) = R[s, t] / (x^m s + y^n t - p(x, y))$  and  $A(m', n', p') = R[s, t] / (x^{m'} s + y^{n'} t - p'(x, y))$  for  $p, p' \in R \setminus ((x)_R \cup (y)_R)$  satisfying  $\deg_x p < m$ ,  $\deg_y p < n$  are nonisomorphic if  $\deg p = m + n - 2$  and if  $\deg p' < m' + n' - 2$ .

Another result related to ZCP for  $\mathbb{A}^n$  was obtained by Winkelmann [26] and Finston-Jaradat [19]. They proved that  $\mathbb{A}^5$  is isomorphic to a principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over a strictly quasi-affine variety, that is a quasi-affine but nonaffine variety. If there exists an affine variety W that is isomorphic to a principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over such a quasi-affine variety and satisfies  $W \ncong \mathbb{A}^5$ , then W is a counterexample to ZCP for  $\mathbb{A}^5$ .

#### 1.2 Main Results

One of the important problem of ZCP for principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles is what the condition for two principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles to be isomorphic is. In previous re-

searches, if  $V_g$  is a principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over non-affine scheme X defined by  $\overline{g} \in \mathrm{H}^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ , the number of poles of g plays an important role for this problem. In this paper We focus on this number, and we define an invariant  $\mathrm{P}(\overline{g})$  of a principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle  $V_g$  over a non-affine scheme X.  $\mathrm{P}(\overline{g})$  corresponds to the number of poles, and we will prove that  $P(\overline{g})$  is independent of the choice of g. (See Section 2.4 in the case of  $X = Y_+Z$ , and Section 3.3 in the case of  $X = \mathrm{D}(f_1, f_2)$ ). Moreover we construct new counterexamples to ZCP for principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over a non- $\mathbb{A}^1$ -uniruled non-affine scheme X, especially, in the case where X is a non-separated scheme of the form  $Y_+rZ$ , and in the case where X is a quasi-affine variety of the form  $\mathrm{D}(f_1, f_2)$ ).

In the case where X is a non-separated scheme of the form  $Y_+rZ$ , we give a necessary and sufficient condition for two principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over  $Y_+rZ$ (Proposition 2.3.2), and we proved that even if  $P(\overline{g_1})$  and  $P(\overline{g_2})$  coincide, it is not necessarily true that  $V_{g_1}$  and  $V_{g_2}$  are isomorphic.

**Theorem 1.2.1** (Theorem 2.4.2). Let P be a closed point of  $\mathbb{A}^1_* =$ Speck $[x, x^{-1}]$  defined by  $f_1 = x - 1$ . Let  $X = \mathbb{A}^1_{*+}P$ ,  $g_1 = (x+1) \cdot (x-1)^{-2}$ , and  $g_2 = (x-1)^{-2}$ . Let  $V_{gi}$  be the principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over X defined by  $g_i$ . Then  $V_{g1} \times \mathbb{A}^1 \simeq V_{g2} \times \mathbb{A}^1$  and  $P(\overline{g_1}) = P(\overline{g_2}) = 2$ , but  $V_{g1} \ncong V_{g2}$ .

In the case where X is a non- $\mathbb{A}^1$ -uniruled quasi-affine variety of the form  $D(f_1, f_2)$ , we give a sufficient condition for two principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over X to be non-isomorphic.

**Theorem 1.2.2** (Theorem 3.4.3). Let  $\operatorname{Spec}(R)$  be a non- $\mathbb{A}^1$ -uniruled affine variety. Let  $(f_1, f_2)$  be an *R*-regular sequence, where  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are prime elements such that the ideal  $(f_1, f_2)_R$  is prime. Let  $V_g$  (resp.  $V_{g'}$ ) be the principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over  $D(f_1, f_2)$  that is defined by  $g = v \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}$  (resp.  $g' = w \cdot f_1^{-m'} f_2^{-n'}$ ) with  $\operatorname{P}(\overline{g'}) = (m', n')$ . Then  $V_g \ncong V_{g'}$  if (1) or (2) holds.

- (1) m' > m + n 1 or n' > m + n 1
- (2)  $m', n' \leq m + n 1$  and  $v' \notin (f_1, f_2)^{m' + n' m n + \delta(v)}$ , where

$$\delta(v) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } v \notin (f_1, f_2) \\ 1 & \text{if } v \in (f_1, f_2). \end{cases}$$

By using this theorem, we give a counterexample to ZCP.

**Corollary 1.2.3** (Corollary 3.4.4). Let  $\operatorname{Spec}(R)$  be a non- $\mathbb{A}^1$ -uniruled affine variety. Let  $(f_1, f_2)$  be an *R*-regular sequence, where  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are prime elements such that the ideal  $(f_1, f_2)_R$  is prime. Let m, n, m', n' be integers. Then  $V_{f_1^{-m}f_2^{-n}} \times \mathbb{A}^1 \simeq V_{f_1^{-m'}f_2^{-n'}} \times \mathbb{A}^1$  but  $V_{f_1^{-m}f_2^{-n}} \ncong V_{f_1^{-m'}f_2^{-n'}}$  if  $m + n \neq m' + n'$ .

In addition, we show that even if the numbers of poles (m, n) and (m', n') coincide, there exists  $h, h' \in R$  such that  $V_g \not\cong V_{g'}$ , where  $g = h \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}$  and  $g' = h' \cdot f_1^{-m'} f_2^{-n'}$  in the case where  $\operatorname{Spec}(R)$  is not  $\mathbb{A}^1$ -uniruled.

**Corollary 1.2.4** (Corollary 3.4.5). Let Spec(R) be a non-A<sup>1</sup>-uniruled affine variety. Let  $(f_1, f_2)$  be an R-regular sequence, where  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are prime elements such that the ideal  $(f_1, f_2)_R$  is prime. Let m, n be integers larger than 1. Let  $\phi(X, Y)$  be an element of  $(X, Y) \setminus ((X) \cup (Y)) \subset k[X, Y]$  satisfying  $\deg_X \phi < m, \deg_Y \phi < n$ . Then  $V_{f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}} \times \mathbb{A}^1 \simeq V_{\phi(f_1, f_2) \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}} \times \mathbb{A}^1$  and  $P\left(\overline{f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}}\right) = P\left(\overline{\phi(f_1, f_2) \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}}\right)$ , but  $V_{f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}} \ncong V_{\phi(f_1, f_2) \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}}$ .

#### 1.3 Notations

In this paper we work over an algebraically closed field k of characteristic zero. For an ideal I of a ring R and for an integer n,  $I^n$  denotes the ideal generated by the products of n elements of I. If  $n \leq 0$ ,  $I^n := R$ . For a scheme X and for  $f \in \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ ,  $X_f$  and D(f) denote the nonzero locus of f. For  $f_1, \ldots, f_n \in \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ ,  $D(f_1, \ldots, f_n)$  denotes the nonzero locus of  $(f_1, \ldots, f_n)$ . For a ring homomorphism  $\psi : R \to S$ ,  $\operatorname{Spec}(\psi)$  denotes the morphism of schemes  $\operatorname{Spec}(S) \to \operatorname{Spec}(R)$  associated to  $\psi$ . For a morphism of schemes  $\phi : X \to Y$  and subschemes  $X' \subseteq X$  and  $Y' \subseteq Y$ , if  $\phi(X') \subseteq Y'$ , we denote by  $\phi|_{X'} : X' \to Y'$  the restriction of  $\phi$  from X' to Y'.  $\mathbb{G}_a$  denotes the additive group variety  $(\mathbb{A}^1_k, +)$  over k. For a k-scheme X and for an Xscheme V with a  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -action on V, V is called a **principal**  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -**bundle over** X in the Zariski topology if there is a covering  $(U_i \to X)$  for the Zariski topology on X such that  $V \times_X U_i$  is isomorphic with its  $\mathbb{G}_a \times_k U_i$ -action to  $\mathbb{G}_a \times_k U_i$  over  $U_i$ . A variety X is  $\mathbb{A}^1$ -**uniruled** if for general closed point x of X, there exists a nonconstant morphism  $f_x : \mathbb{A}^1 \to X$  such that  $x \in f_x(\mathbb{A}^1)$ .

Let  $\leq$  be a partial order on  $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\oplus n}$  defined as follows: For  $(m_i), (m'_i) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\oplus n}$  $(m_i) \leq (m'_i)$  if and only if  $m_i \leq m'_i$  for each *i*. Write  $(m_i) \prec (m'_i)$  if  $(m_i) \leq (m'_i)$  and  $(m_i) \neq (m'_i)$ .

### Chapter 2

# **ZCP** for principal $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over noetherian integral scheme non-separated over k

In this chapter, let Y be an affine variety, Z the union of principal hypersurfaces  $Z_i$  defined by a prime element  $f_i \in R$  for each i = 1, ..., n, and r a non-negative integer.

# 2.1 Construction of principal $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over $Y_+rZ$

First we describe how the one-to-one correspondence between isomorphism classes of principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over  $X = Y_+ rZ$  and the elements of  $\mathrm{H}^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is obtained.

Since  $Y_i = Y$  and  $Y_i \setminus Z \simeq \operatorname{Spec}(R_{f_1 \cdots f_n})$  are affine, we can compute  $\operatorname{H}^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  by Čech cohomology:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{H}^{1}(X,\mathcal{O}_{X}) &\simeq & \check{\mathrm{H}}^{1}(\{Y_{0},\ldots,Y_{r}\},\mathcal{O}_{X}) \\ &= & \mathrm{Coker}\left(\phi:\bigoplus_{i=0}^{r}R\to\mathrm{Z}_{1}:(a_{i})\mapsto(a_{i}-a_{j})\right), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\mathbf{Z}_1 := \operatorname{Ker} \left( \bigoplus_{0 \leq i < j \leq r} R_{f_1 \cdots f_n} \to \bigoplus_{0 \leq i < j < k \leq r} R_{f_1 \cdots f_n} : (a_{ij}) \mapsto (a_{ij} - a_{ik} + a_{jk}) \right).$$

For an element  $g = (g_{ij}) \in \mathbb{Z}_1$ ,  $\overline{g}$  denotes the image of g by the natural map  $\mathbb{Z}_i \to \operatorname{Coker} \phi$ . The principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle  $V_g$  over X defined by g is, as a total space, an  $\mathbb{A}^1$ -bundle over X obtained by gluing  $Y_i \times \mathbb{A}^1$  and  $Y_j \times \mathbb{A}^1$  along the following isomorphism between open subschemes  $Y \setminus Z \times \mathbb{A}^1$  of  $Y_i \times \mathbb{A}^1$  and  $Y \setminus Z \times \mathbb{A}^1$  of  $Y_j \times \mathbb{A}^1$ :

$$G_{q_{ij}}: Y \setminus Z \times \mathbb{A}^1 \to Y \setminus Z \times \mathbb{A}^1 : (x,t) \mapsto (x,t+g_{ij}).$$

The  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -action on  $V_g$  is obtained by gluing equivariantly trivial  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -actions on  $Y_i \times \mathbb{A}^1$  for  $i = 0, \ldots, r$ , that acts trivially on  $Y_i$  and by addition on  $\mathbb{A}^1$ . The image of  $\phi$  gives the isomorphism class as principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles of  $V_g$ , and we denote it by  $V_{\overline{g}}$ .

### 2.2 Affine criterion for principal $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over $Y_+rZ$

**Lemma 2.2.1** ([14]). Let X be a scheme, Y an affine scheme, and  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  an open affine covering of X. Then for any morphism  $f: X \to Y$ , f is separated if and only if

- (1)  $U_{\mu} \cap U_{\lambda}$  is affine for any  $\mu, \lambda \in \Lambda$ ;
- (2)  $\Gamma(U_{\mu} \cap U_{\lambda}, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is generated by  $\Gamma(U_{\mu}, \mathcal{O}_X)$  and  $\Gamma(U_{\lambda}, \mathcal{O}_X)$ .

The following proposition gives a necessary and sufficient condition for principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over  $Y_+rZ$  to be affine.

**Proposition 2.2.2.** Let  $Y = \operatorname{Spec} R$  be an affine variety. Let  $Z_i$  be the hypersurface of Y defined by a prime element  $f_i \in R$  for each  $i = 1, \ldots, n$ . Let  $Z := \bigcup Z_j$ . Let  $p : V \to Y_+rZ$  be a principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over  $Y_+rZ$  defined by  $[\{g_{ij}\}] \in \check{H}^1(\{Y_0, \ldots, Y_r\}, \mathcal{O}_{X_+rZ}) \simeq H^1(Y_+rZ, \mathcal{O}_{Y_+rZ})$ , where  $g_{ij} = h_{ij} \cdot f_1^{-k_{ij,1}} \cdots f_m^{-k_{ij,m}} \in R_{f_1 \cdots f_m}$ ,  $k_{ij,l} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ , and  $h_{ij} \in R$  such that  $h_{ij}$  can not be divided by  $f_l$  if  $k_{ij,l} > 0$ .

If (a) r = 1 or (b)  $r \ge 2$  and  $\emptyset \ne Z_{l_1} \cap Z_{l_2} \not\subset \bigcup_{l \ne l_1, l_2} Z_l$  for any  $l_1, l_2 = 1, \ldots, m$ , then the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1)  $k_{ij,l} \ge 1$  and  $(h_{ij}, f_1 \cdots f_m) = A$  for any  $i, j = 0, \dots, r$  and  $l = 1, \dots, m$ .
- (2) V is separated.
- (3) V is affine.

*Proof.*  $(3) \Rightarrow (2)$  is obvious. It is enough to show that  $(1) \Leftrightarrow (2)$  and  $(1) \Rightarrow (3)$ .

Let us denote  $(k_{ij,1},\ldots,k_{ij,m}) \in \mathbb{Z}^m$  by  $[k_{ij}], (1,\ldots,1) \in \mathbb{Z}^m$  by  $\mathbf{1}$ , and  $f_1^{k_{ij,1}}\cdots f_m^{k_{ij,m}}$  by  $\underline{\mathbf{f}}^{[k_{ij}]}$ .

First we give a necessaly and sufficient condition for V to be separated. Let  $V_j := p^{-1}(Y_j) (\simeq Y_j \times \mathbb{A}^1)$ . Let  $\mathcal{Y} := \{Y_0, \ldots, Y_r\}$  be an open covering of  $Y_+rZ$ . An open subvariety  $Y_i \cap Y_j$  is isomorphic to  $Y \setminus Z$  for any  $i, j = 0, \ldots r$ . Then  $V_i \cap V_j = p^{-1}(Y_i \cap Y_j)$  is isomorphic to  $(Y_i \cap Y_j) \times \mathbb{A}^1$ . Therefore V is separated if and only if  $\Gamma(V_i \cap V_j, \mathcal{O}_V)$  is generated by the image of  $\Gamma(V_i, \mathcal{O}_V)$  and  $\Gamma(V_j, \mathcal{O}_V)$  for any  $i, j = 0, \ldots r$  by Lemma 2.2.1. This condition is equivalent to  $R_{f_1 \cdots f_m}[t] = R[g_{ij}][t]$  for any  $i, j = 0, \ldots, r$  with  $i \neq j$ , where t is an indeterminate. Therefore V is separated if and only if  $R_{\underline{f}^1} = R[g_{ij}]$  for any  $i, j = 0, \ldots, r$  with  $i \neq j$ .

 $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$  Suppose the condition (1). Then there exist elements  $a, b \in R$  such that  $1 = ah_{ij} + b\underline{f}$  and  $k_{ij,l} - 1 \ge 0$ . Therefore  $\underline{f}^{-1} = a\underline{f}^{[k_{ij}]-1}g_{ij} + b$  and  $R_{\underline{f}} = R[g_{ij}]$ .

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$  Suppose the condition (2). Then there exist  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $a_0, \ldots a_n \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\underline{\mathbf{f}}^{-1} = a_0 + a_1 g_{ij} + a_2 g_{ij}^2 + \dots + a_n g_{ij}^n.$$

If n = 0, then  $f_1, \ldots, f_m$  are units in R, a contradiction. Therefore n > 0. Multiplying both sides of the above equation by  $\underline{f}^{n[k_{ij}]}$ , we obtain the following equation:

$$\underline{\mathbf{f}}^{n[k_{ij}]-\mathbf{1}} = a_0 \underline{\mathbf{f}}^{n[k_{ij}]} + h_{ij} s,$$

where  $s = a_1 \underline{\mathbf{f}}^{(n-1)[k_{ij}]} + \cdots + a_{n-1} h_{ij}^{n-2} \underline{\mathbf{f}}^{[k_{ij}]} + a_n h_{ij}^{n-1} \in \mathbb{R}$ . Since  $h_{ij} \notin (f_l)$  for any  $l = 1, \ldots, m$ , s can be divided by  $\underline{\mathbf{f}}^{n[k_{ij}]-1}$ . Therefore there exists an element  $s' \in A$  such that  $1 = a_0 \underline{\mathbf{f}} + h_{ij} s$ .

 $(1) \Rightarrow (3)$  Suppose the condition (1). We first observe that if  $r \neq 2$ , there exists an index  $j' \in \{1, \ldots, r\}$  such that  $k_{0j',l} = \max_j\{k_{0j,l}\}$  for all  $l = 1, \ldots, m$ . Assume that there exist indices  $j_1, j_2 \in \{1, \ldots, r\}$  and  $l_1$ ,  $l_2 \in \{1, \ldots, m\}$  such that  $j_1 \neq j_2, l_1 \neq l_2, k_{0j_1,l_1} > k_{0j_2,l_1}$ , and  $k_{0j_1,l_2} < k_{0j_2,l_2}$ for contradiction. Let  $\mu_l := \max\{k_{0j_1,l}, k_{0j_2,l}\}$  for each  $l \in \{1, \ldots, m\}$  and  $[\mu] := (\mu_1, \ldots, \mu_m) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^m$ . Then It follows from the cocycle condition  $g_{j_1j_2} = g_{0j_2} - g_{0j_1}$  that

$$\underline{\mathbf{f}}^{[\mu]-[k_{j_1j_2}]}h_{j_1j_2} = \underline{\mathbf{f}}^{[\mu]-[k_{0j_2}]}h_{0j_2} - \underline{\mathbf{f}}^{[\mu]-[k_{0j_1}]}h_{0j_1}$$

The right hand side of this equation is in  $(f_{l_1}, f_{l_2}) \setminus ((f_{l_1}) \cup (f_{l_2})$ . Therefore  $\mu_{l_1} = k_{j_1 j_2, l_1}$  and  $\mu_{l_2} = k_{j_1 j_2, l_2}$ . Moreover,  $\underline{f}^{[\mu] - [k_{j_1 j_2}]} h_{j_1 j_2} \in (f_{l_1}, f_{l_2})$  implies  $\underline{f}^{[\mu] - [k_{j_1 j_2}]} \in (f_{l_1}, f_{l_2})$  because  $h_{j_1 j_2}$  is a nonzero function on Z and  $Z_{l_1} \cap Z_{l_2} \neq \emptyset$ . This contradicts to the assumption  $Z_{l_1} \cap Z_{l_2} \not\subset \bigcup_{l \neq l_1, l_2} Z_l$ . Therefore we can choose an index  $j' \in \{1, \ldots, r\}$  such that  $k_{0j',l} = \max_j \{k_{0j,l}\}$  for all  $l = 1, \ldots, m$ .

Next, we show that there exists an affine morphism  $\psi: V \to \mathbb{A}^1$  by induction on r. If r = 0 (i.e.  $Y_{+}rZ = Y$ ), then V is isomorphic to  $Y \times_{k} \mathbb{A}^{1}$ . Then the second projection of  $Y \times_k \mathbb{A}^1$  is an affine morphism. Suppose the statement holds for r-1. By the assumption, there exists  $s_{ij} \in R$ such that  $\overline{h_{ij}s_{ij}} = 1$  in  $R/(f_1 \cdots f_m)$ . Define morphisms  $\phi_j \colon Y_j \to \mathbb{A}^1$  to be  $\phi_j(x,t) = s_{0j}(\underline{f}^{[k_{0j'}]}t + \underline{f}^{[k_{0j'}]-[k_{0j}]}h_{0j})$  for each  $j \in \{0, \dots, r\}$  and define morphisms  $\psi_j := \phi \circ g_j^{-1} \colon V_j \simeq Y \times_k \mathbb{A}^1 \to \mathbb{A}^1$  for each  $j \in \{0, \ldots r\}$ . By the cocycle condition, morphisms  $\{\psi_j\}_{j=0,\dots,r}$  glue to a morphism  $\psi: V \to \mathbb{A}^1$ . Define  $H_j := g_j(Z \times_k \mathbb{A}^1) \subset V_j$ . Then  $\psi(H_0) = \phi_0 g_0^{-1} g_0(Z \times_k \mathbb{A}^1) = \{0\}$  and  $\psi(H_{j'}) = \phi_{j'} g_{j'}^{-1} g_{j'}(Z \times_k \mathbb{A}^1) = \{1\}.$  Therefore  $\psi^{-1}(\mathbb{A}^1 \setminus \{0\}) \subseteq V \setminus H_0$  and  $\psi^{-1}(\mathbb{A}^1 \setminus \{1\}) \subseteq V \setminus H_{j'}$ . Moreover,  $V \setminus H_0$  is the principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle defined by the cocycle  $\{g_{ij}\}_{i,j\neq 0}$ , and  $V \setminus H_{j'}$  is the principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle defined by the cocycle  $\{g_{ij}\}_{i,j\neq j'}$ . Therefore  $V \setminus H_0$  and  $V \setminus H_{j'}$  are affine by the induction hypothesis. Therefore the restriction maps  $\psi|_{V\setminus H_0}: V \setminus H_0 \to \mathbb{A}^1$  and  $\psi|_{V\setminus H_{j'}}: V\setminus H_{j'}\to \mathbb{A}^1$  are affine morphisms, and hence  $\psi^{-1}(\mathbb{A}^1\setminus\{0\})$  and  $\psi^{-1}(\mathbb{A}^1 \setminus \{1\})$  are affine. Therefore  $\psi$  is affine. 

**Remark 2.2.3.** Fieseler [11] proved this proposition in the case where Y is an affine curve, and Dubouloz [8] proved this proposition in the case where  $Y = \mathbb{A}^n$  and Z is the union of coordinate hyperplanes of  $\mathbb{A}^n$ .

#### 2.3 Necessary and sufficient condition for two principal $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles to be nonisomorphic

**Lemma 2.3.1.** Let Y be a non- $\mathbb{A}^1$ -uniruled affine variety and let X be a k-scheme equiped with a dominant morphism  $X \to Y$  such that there exists a covering  $(X_i \to X)$ , where  $X_i$  is a variety of dimension dim(Y) for each i. Let  $p: V \to X$  and  $q: W \to X$  be Zariski locally trivial  $\mathbb{A}^n$ -bundles over X. Then an isomorphism  $\Phi: V \to W$  descends to an automorphism  $\phi: X \to X$  such that  $\phi \circ p = q \circ \Phi$ .

Proof. We can take a covering  $(X_i \to X)_{i \in I}$  of X so that p and q are trivial over  $X_i$  for each i. Since Y is not  $\mathbb{A}^1$ -uniruled, Dryło's lemma [6, Lemma 2] implies that the fibers of p are contracted by the morphism  $q \circ \Phi \colon V \to X$ . Therefore the composition of any section  $s_i \colon X_i \to p^{-1}X_i$  and  $q \circ \Phi$  is independent of the choice of  $s_i$  for each i. The compositions  $q \circ \Phi \circ s_i$  and  $q \circ \Phi \circ s_j$  coincide on  $X_i \cap X_j$  for the same reason. Therefore  $\phi \colon X \to X$ exists. The inverse of  $\phi$  can be constructed in the same way.

**Proposition 2.3.2.** Let  $Y = \operatorname{Spec}(R)$  be a non- $\mathbb{A}^1$ -uniruled affine variety. Let  $Z_i$  be the hypersurface of Y defined by  $f_i \in R$  for each  $i = 1, \ldots, m$ . Let  $Z := \bigcup Z_j$ . For k = 1, 2, let  $V_k$  be a principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over  $X = Y_+rZ$  defined by  $g_k \in \operatorname{H}^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ . Then  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are isomorphic if and only if  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  are in the same orbit of the action by  $\operatorname{Aut}(Y_+rZ) \times \Gamma(Y, \mathcal{O}_Y^{\times})$ .

Proof. The computation of this proof in the case of r = 1 is almost the same as the proof of the sufficient condition for two principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles to be nonisomorphic by R. Drylo [7]. Suppose that  $\Phi: V_1 \to V_2$  is an isomorphism. By Lemma 2.3.1, there exists a unique automorphism  $\phi: Y_+rZ \to Y_+rZ$  satisfies  $\phi \circ p_1 = p_2 \circ \Phi$ , where  $p_k: V_k \to Y_+rZ$  is the canonical projection of principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles for k = 1, 2. Let  $Y'_i := \phi(Y_i)$  and  $\mathcal{Y}' := \{Y'_0, \ldots, Y'_r\}$ , which is an open covering of  $Y_+rZ$ . Suppose that  $V_1$  is defined by  $\{g_{ij}\} \in Z^1(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{O}_{Y_+rZ})$ and  $V_2$  is defined by  $\{g'_{ij}\} \in Z^1(\mathcal{Y}', \mathcal{O}_{Y_+rZ})$ . Then the following diagram is commutative for each  $i, j = 0, \ldots, r$   $(i \neq j)$ ;

where  $\alpha_{ij}(x,t) = (x,t+g_{ij}(x)), \ \alpha'_{ij}(x',t) = (x',t+g'_{ij}(x'))$ . For an isomorphism  $f: A[t] \to B[t]$  of domains such that  $f|_A: A \to B$  is an isomorphism, f(t) should be equals to at+b, where  $a \in B^{\times}$  and  $b \in B$  by the computation of the degree of f(t). Therefore the commutativity of this diagram implies that there exists  $a_i \in \Gamma(Y_i, \mathcal{O}_{Y_+rZ}) = R^{\times}$  and  $b_i \in \Gamma(Y_i, \mathcal{O}_{Y_+rZ})$  for each  $i = 0, \ldots, r$  such that  $g'_i \circ \Phi \circ g_i(x, t) = (\phi(x), a_i t + b_i), g'_j \circ \Phi \circ g_j(x, t) = (\phi(x), a_j t + b_j)$ . Therefore

$$a_i(x)t + b_i(x) + g'_{ij}(\phi(x)) = a_j(x)(t + g_{ij}(x)) + b_j(x).$$

Therefore we can glue  $\{a_i\}$ . Let *a* be an element of  $\Gamma(Y_+rZ, \mathcal{O}_{Y_+rZ}^{\times}) \simeq \Gamma(Y, \mathcal{O}_Y^{\times})$  such that  $a|_{X_i} = a_i$ . Then

$$g'_{ij}(\phi(x)) - g_{ij}(x)a = b_j(x) - b_i(x),$$

Therefore cocyles  $\{g'_{ij}(\phi(x))\}\$  and  $\{g_{ij}(x)a\}\$  define principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles isomorphic to each other.

Next we study the automorphisms group of  $Y_+rZ$ . Let Y be a variety, Z a closed subset of Y, and r an integer. We will use the following notations for the proof of Proposition 2.3.5

- $\mathfrak{S}_{r+1}$ : the symmetric group of degree r+1.
- $N_Z$ : the number of connected components of Z
- $Z_1, \ldots, Z_{N_Z}$ : the connected components of Z
- $Y_0, \ldots, Y_r$ : open subsets of  $Y_+ rZ$  defined in Definition 1.1.2.
- $u_i: Y_i \hookrightarrow Y_+ rZ$ : the inclusion morphism for each  $i \in \{0, \ldots, r\}$

- $e_i: Y \simeq Y_i$ : the natural isomorphism for each  $i \in \{0, \ldots, r\}$ .
- $h: Y_+ rZ \to Y$ : the morphism obtained by gluing  $\{e_i^{-1}\}_{i \in \{0, \dots, r\}}$ .
- $Z_{i} := e_i(Z)$  for each  $i \in \{0, ..., r\}$ .
- $Z_{k,i} := e_i(Z_k)$  for each  $i \in \{0, \ldots, r\}$  and for each  $k \in \{1, \ldots, N_Z\}$ .
- $(r+1)Z := \bigcup_{i \in \{0,\dots,r\}} Z_{,i} \ (\subset Y_+ rZ).$
- $Y_{\backslash Z} := Y_+ r Z \setminus (r+1)Z \ (\simeq Y \setminus Z)$
- $\operatorname{End}(Y) :=$  the monoid of endomorphisms of Y
- $\operatorname{Aut}(Y) :=$  the group of automorphisms of Y
- $\operatorname{End}_Z(Y) := \{ \Phi \in \operatorname{End}(Y) | \Phi(Z) \subseteq Z \}$
- $\operatorname{Aut}_Z(Y) := \{ \Phi \in \operatorname{Aut}(Y) | \Phi(Z) = Z \}.$

The following two lemmas by J. Ax [2] and S. Kaliman [20] show that an injective endomorphism of an algebraic variety is an isomorphism.

**Lemma 2.3.3** ([2]). Let X be a scheme of finite type over a scheme Y. Let  $\phi: X \to X$  be a Y-morphism. If  $\phi$  is injective then  $\phi$  is surjective.

**Lemma 2.3.4** ([20]). Let  $\phi : X \to X$  be a surjective endomorphism of a variety X over a field k of characteristic zero. Then  $\phi$  is an automorphism.

**Proposition 2.3.5.** The following sequence of non-abelian groups is a right split exact sequence.

 $1 \longrightarrow \mathfrak{S}_{r+1}^{\oplus N_Z} \xrightarrow{S} \operatorname{Aut}(Y_+ rZ) \xrightarrow{T} \operatorname{Aut}_Z(Y) \longrightarrow 1$ 

In other words, for any automorphism  $\Phi$  of  $Y_+rZ$ , there exist the unique element  $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_{r+1}^{\oplus N_Z}$  and the unique automorphism  $\phi \in \operatorname{Aut}_Z(Y)$  such that  $\Phi = R(\phi) \circ S(\sigma)$ , where R is a group homomorphism from  $\operatorname{Aut}_Z(Y)$  to  $\operatorname{Aut}(Y_+rZ)$  such that T is a section of R. Proof. Let  $\Phi$  be an automorphism of  $Y_{+}rZ$ . First we show that for each  $i \in \{0, \ldots, r\}$ , the image of  $Z_{k,i}$  by  $\Phi$  is equal to  $Z_{k',i'}$  for some  $k' \in \{1, \ldots, N_Z\}$  and for some  $i' \in \{0, \ldots, r\}$ , where k' is independent of the choice of i. Let  $\phi_i := h \circ \Phi \circ e_i : Y \to Y$  for each i. Then  $\phi_1, \ldots, \phi_r$  are endomorphisms of Y coincide on the open subset  $Y \setminus Z$  with each others. Since Y is separated,  $\phi_i = \phi_j$  as a morphism of varieties for any  $i, j \in \{0, \ldots, r\}$ . Therefore the images of  $Z_{k,i}$  and  $Z_{k,j}$  by  $h \circ \Phi : Y_+ rZ \to Y$  coincide for any  $i, j \in \{0, \ldots, r\}$ . Therefore the assertion holds.

Next we construct a map  $T : \operatorname{Aut}(Y_+ rZ) \to \operatorname{Aut}_Z(Y)$ . Let

$$T' : \operatorname{Aut}(Y_{+}rZ) \to \operatorname{End}(Y) : \Phi \mapsto h \circ \Phi \circ u_0 \circ e_0.$$

Then the image of T' is in  $\operatorname{End}_Z(Y)$ . Since  $T'(\Phi)$  is an injective endomorphism, Lemma 2.3.3 and Lemma 2.3.4 imply that  $T'(\Phi)$  is an automorphism. Therefore we can restrict the codomain of T' to  $\operatorname{Aut}_Z(Y)$ . Let  $T : \operatorname{Aut}(Y_+rZ) \to \operatorname{Aut}_Z(Y) : \Phi \mapsto T'(\Phi)$ . The map T is a group homomorphism because for any  $\Phi_1, \Phi_2 \in \operatorname{Aut}(Y_+rZ), T(\Phi_1) \circ T(\Phi_2)$  and  $T(\Phi_1 \circ \Phi_2)$  coincide on  $Y \setminus Z$ , and therefore coincide on Y. The group homomorphism T is surjective because for  $\phi \in \operatorname{Aut}_Z(Y)$ , we can glue  $\{u_i \circ e_i \circ \phi \circ e_i^{-1} : Y_i \to Y_+rZ\}$ to an isomorphism  $R(\phi) : Y_+rZ \to Y_+rZ$ , which satisfies  $T(R(\phi)) = \phi$  by the construction.

Next we construct a map  $S: \mathfrak{S}_{r+1}^{\oplus N_Z} \to \operatorname{Aut}(Y_+rZ)$ . For  $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \ldots, \sigma_{N_Z}) \in \mathfrak{S}_{r+1}^{\oplus N_Z}$ , let  $Y_{i,\sigma} := Y_{\setminus Z} \cup \bigcup_{i \in \{0,\ldots,r\}} Z_{k,\sigma_k(i)}$  and let  $e_{i,\sigma} : Y_i \to Y_{i,\sigma}$  be the canonical isomorphism, which is an identity on  $X_{\setminus Z}$ . then we can glue  $\{e_{i,\sigma}\}$  to a endomorphism  $S(\sigma)$  of  $X_+rZ$ , which is an isomorphism by construction. In this way, we can construct a map S from  $\mathfrak{S}_{r+1}^{\oplus N_Z}$  to  $\operatorname{Aut}(Y_+rZ)$ . The map S is also an injective group homomorphism because  $S(\sigma)$  corresponds to the permutation of  $Z_{0,i}, \ldots, Z_{r,i}$  by  $\sigma$  for each i.

Finally we show that the above sequence is exact. Since the automorphism  $S(\sigma)$  of  $Y_+rZ$  is an identity map on  $Y_{\backslash Z}$ , the automorphism  $T(S(\sigma))$  is the identity map on Y. Therefore  $\operatorname{Im}(S) \subseteq \operatorname{Ker}(T)$ . Conversely, suppose that for  $\Phi \in \operatorname{Aut}(Y_+rZ)$ ,  $T(\Phi)$  equals to  $\operatorname{id}_Y$ . Then  $h \circ \Phi \circ e_i = \operatorname{id}_Y$  for each i and  $\Phi(Z_{k,i}) = Z_{k',i'(k,i)}$ . Let  $\sigma_k : \{0, \ldots, r\} \to \{0, \ldots, r\} : i \mapsto i'(k,i)$  for each  $k \in \{1, \ldots, N_Z\}$ . Since  $\Phi$  is an automorphism of  $Y_+rZ$ ,  $\sigma_k \in \mathfrak{S}_{r+1}$ . Let  $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \ldots, \sigma_{N_Z})$ . Then  $S(\sigma) = \Phi$  by the construction.

### 2.4 Counterexamples to ZCP for principal $\mathbb{G}_a$ bundles over $Y_+Z$

**Lemma 2.4.1.** Let  $Y = \operatorname{Spec}(R)$  be an affine variety. Let Z be the union of principal hypersurfaces  $Z_i$  defined by a prime element  $f_i$  for each  $i = 1, \ldots, n$  such that  $(f_1, \ldots, f_n)$  is an R-regular sequence. Let  $X = Y_+Z$ . Let  $g = h \cdot f_1^{-m_1} \cdots f_n^{-m_n} \in R_{f_1 \cdots f_n}$ , where  $h \in R$  such that  $f_i \nmid h$  if  $m_i > 0$ . Then  $(m_1, \ldots, m_n)$  is the minimum element of the following set for the order  $\preceq$ :

$$S_{\overline{g}} := \left\{ (m'_1, \dots, m'_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\bigoplus n} | \overline{h' \cdot f_1^{-m'_1} \cdots f_n^{-m'_n}} = \overline{g} \text{ in } \mathrm{H}^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \right\}.$$

Proof. For any  $g' \in R_{f_1 \cdots f_n}$  such that  $\overline{g'} = \overline{g}$ , there exists  $b \in R$  such that  $g' = (h + b \cdot f_1^{m_1} \cdots f_n^{m_n}) \cdot f_1^{-m_1} \cdots f_n^{-m_n}$ . Then  $f_i \nmid (h + b \cdot f_1^{m_1} \cdots f_n^{m_n})$  if  $m_i > 0$ , and therefore  $(m_1, \ldots, m_n)$  is the minimum element of the above set.

Now we denote by  $P(\overline{g})$  the minimum element of  $S_{\overline{g}}$  for the order  $\preceq$ . The above lemma implies that  $P(\overline{g})$  is an invariant of principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over  $X = Y_+Z$ .

**Theorem 2.4.2.** Let P be a closed point of  $\mathbb{A}^1_* = \operatorname{Spec}(k[x, x^{-1}])$  defined by  $f_1 = x - 1$ . Let  $X = \mathbb{A}^1_{*+}P$ ,  $g_1 = (x + 1) \cdot (x - 1)^{-2}$ , and  $g_2 = (x - 1)^{-2}$ . Let  $V_{gi}$  be the principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over X defined by  $g_i$ . Then  $V_{g1} \times \mathbb{A}^1 \simeq V_{g2} \times \mathbb{A}^1$  and  $P(\overline{g_1}) = P(\overline{g_2}) = 2$ , but  $V_{g1} \ncong V_{g2}$ .

Proof. The group of automorphisms of  $Y_+P$  can be expressed by using an element of  $\mathfrak{S}_2 \simeq \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} = \{\overline{0}, \overline{1}\}$  and an element of  $\operatorname{Aut}_P(Y)$ . An automorphism of  $Y = \mathbb{A}^{1*}$  which fixes  $P = \{x - 1 = 0\}$  should be an automorphism of Y which sends x to x (denoted by  $\phi_1$ ) or which sends x to  $x^{-1}$  (denoted by  $\phi_{-1}$ ). The automorphism  $S(\overline{0})$  is an identity of  $Y_+P$  and  $S(\overline{1})$  is an automorphism of  $Y_+P$  which is an identity on  $Y_{\backslash}P$  but replace  $P_0 \in Y_0$  and  $P_1 \in Y_1$ .

By proposition 2.2.2,  $V_{g1}$  and  $V_{g2}$  are affine. Suppose that V is isomorphic to W for contradiction. By Proposition 2.3.2, there exist a unit  $u' \in k[x, x^{-1}]$ and an automorphism  $\Phi$  of  $Y_+P$  such that  $g_2 = u' \cdot g_1(\Phi)$ . The automorphism  $\Phi$  is a composition of  $S(\bar{i})$  and  $R(\phi_j)$  for some  $i \in \{0, 1\}$  and for some  $j \in \{1, -1\}$ . Since the automorphism S(1) corresponds to replace open sets  $Y_0$  and  $Y_1, g_1(S(\bar{i})) = (-1)^i g_1$ . Therefore  $g_1(R(\phi_{-1})) = \left[\frac{2+(x^{-1}-1)}{(x^{-1}-1)^2}\right] = \left[\frac{2+3(x-1)}{(x-1)^2}\right]$ . Therefore

$$g_1(\Phi) = [(-1)^i \frac{2+k(x-1)}{(x-1)^2}]$$

for some  $k \in \{1, 3\}$ . Since u and u' are units of  $k[x, x^{-1}]$ , there exist  $c, c' \in k^*$ and  $m, m' \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $u = c \cdot x^m$  and  $u' = c' \cdot x^{m'}$ . We may assume that  $m, m' \geq 0$  since for any unit  $a \in k[x, x^{-1}], g_2 = u' \cdot g_1(\Phi)$  if and only if  $ag_2 = au' \cdot g_1(\Phi)$ . If  $n \neq 2$ , then  $g_2 - u' \cdot g_1(\Phi)$  can not vanish. Therefore we may assume that n = 2. Then

$$g_{2} - u' \cdot g_{1}(\Phi)$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{(x-1)^{2}}\left\{(-1)^{i}(2+k(x-1))(c+cm(x-1)) - c' - c'm'(x-1)\right\}\right]$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{(x-1)^{2}}\left\{(-1)^{i}2c - c' + ((-1)^{i}kc + (-1)^{i}2cm - a'm')(x-1)\right\}\right].$$
(2.1)

Therefore  $g_2 = u' \cdot g_1(\Phi)$  if and only if

$$\begin{cases} (-1)^{i}2c - c' = 0, \\ (-1)^{i}kc + (-1)^{i}2cm - a'm' = 0. \end{cases}$$

This condition implies k + 2m - 2m' = 0, but this contradicts to k = 1 or 3.

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### Chapter 3

# **ZCP** for principal $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over quasi-affine varieties

# **3.1** Construction of principal $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over $D(f_1, f_2)$

First we describe how the one-to-one correspondence between isomorphism classes of principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over X and the elements of  $\mathrm{H}^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is obtained. Since  $\mathrm{D}(f_1)$ ,  $\mathrm{D}(f_2)$ , and  $\mathrm{D}(f_1f_2)$  are affine, we can compute  $\mathrm{H}^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ by Čech cohomology;

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{H}^{1}(X, \mathcal{O}_{X}) &\simeq & \mathrm{\check{H}}^{1}(\{\mathrm{D}(f_{1}), \mathrm{D}(f_{2})\}, \mathcal{O}_{X}) \\ &= & \mathrm{Coker}\left(\phi : R_{f_{1}} \bigoplus R_{f_{2}} \to R_{f_{1}f_{2}} : (a, b) \mapsto a - b\right) \\ &= & R_{f_{1}f_{2}}/(R_{f_{1}} + R_{f_{2}}). \end{aligned}$$

For an element  $g \in R_{f_1f_2}$ ,  $\overline{g}$  denotes the image of g by the natural map  $R_{f_1f_2} \to \operatorname{Coker}\phi$ . The principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle  $V_g$  over X defined by g is, as a total space, an  $\mathbb{A}^1$ -bundle over X obtained by gluing  $D(f_1) \times \mathbb{A}^1$  and  $D(f_2) \times \mathbb{A}^1$  along the following isomorphism between open subschemes  $D(f_1f_2) \times \mathbb{A}^1$  of  $D(f_1) \times \mathbb{A}^1$  and  $D(f_1f_2) \times \mathbb{A}^1$  of  $D(f_2) \times \mathbb{A}^1$ :

$$G_g: D(f_1f_2) \times \mathbb{A}^1 \to D(f_1f_2) \times \mathbb{A}^1: (x,t) \mapsto (x,t+g).$$

The  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -action on  $V_g$  is obtained by gluing equivariantly trivial  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -actions on  $D(f_i) \times \mathbb{A}^1$  for i = 1, 2, that acts trivially on  $D(f_i)$  and by addition on  $\mathbb{A}^1$ . The image of  $\phi$  gives the isomorphism class as principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles of  $V_q$ , and we denote it by  $V_{\overline{q}}$ .

# **3.2 Sufficient condition for principal** $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over $D(f_1, f_2)$ to be affine

Dubouloz-Finston-Mehta [10, Section 2] showed that nontrivial principal  $\mathbb{G}_{a}$ bundles over  $\mathbb{A}^2_*$  are affine, where  $\mathbb{A}^2_*$  is a complement of a one point in  $\mathbb{A}^2$ . In general, a nontrivial principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over a quasi-affine variety is not necessarily affine, but their result suggest that there exist many nontrivial affine principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over  $D(f_1, f_2)$ . In this section, we extend their result to principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over  $D(f_1, f_2)$ .

**Lemma 3.2.1** ([24][15, Theorem 5.2.1]). A scheme X is affine if and only if there is a finite set of elements  $f_1, \dots, f_n \in \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  such that  $X_{f_i}$  are affine, and  $f_1, \dots, f_n$  generates the unit ideal in  $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ .

**Lemma 3.2.2.** Let X be a quasi-affine variety. Then the principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle V over X defined by  $g \in \mathrm{H}^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is affine if there exists  $b \in \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  such that the principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle V' defined by  $b \cdot g \in \mathrm{H}^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is affine.

Proof. Let  $f_1, \ldots, f_n \in \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  such that  $\mathcal{U} = \{X_{f_i}\}_{i \in I}$   $(I = \{1, \ldots, n\})$  is an affine open covering of X. We may suppose that V and W are defined by Čech 1-cocycles  $\{g_{ij}\}_{i,j \in I}$  and  $\{b \cdot g_{ij}\}_{i,j \in I}$  of  $\mathcal{O}_X$  relative to the open covering  $\mathcal{U}$ . Then  $\Gamma(V, \mathcal{O}_V)$  and  $\Gamma(W, \mathcal{O}_W)$  can be represented as follows:

$$\Gamma(V, \mathcal{O}_V) = \{ \{ \phi_i(t) \}_{i \in I} | \phi_i(t) \in \Gamma(X_{f_i}, \mathcal{O}_X)[t], \phi_i(t + g_{ij}) = \phi_j(t) \}$$
  
 
$$\Gamma(W, \mathcal{O}_W) = \{ \{ \phi_i(t) \}_{i \in I} | \phi_i(t) \in \Gamma(X_{f_i}, \mathcal{O}_X)[t], \phi_i(t + b \cdot g_{ij}) = \phi_j(t) \}$$

Suppose that W is affine. By lemma 3.2.1, there exists  $\{\phi_{i,k}(t)\}_{i,k\in I} \in \Gamma(W, \mathcal{O}_W)$  such that

$$\{f_1 \cdot \phi_{i,1}(t) + \dots + f_n \cdot \phi_{i,n}(t)\}_{i \in I} = \{1\}_{i \in I} = 1.$$

Let  $\psi_{i,k}(t) = \phi_{i,k}(b \cdot t)$  for each *i* and *k*. Then  $\{\psi_{i,k}(t)\}_{i \in I} \in \Gamma(V, \mathcal{O}_V)$  for each *k* and

$$\{f_1 \cdot \psi_{i,1}(t) + \dots + f_n \cdot \psi_{i,n}(t)\}_{i \in I} = \{f_1 \cdot \phi_{i,1}(b \cdot t) + \dots + f_n \cdot \phi_{i,n}(b \cdot t)\}_{i \in I} = 1.$$

For a polynomial  $\phi(x, y) = \sum_{i,j} a_{ij} \cdot x^i y^j$  in R[x, y], let  $\operatorname{Supp}(\phi)$  be the subset of  $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\oplus 2}$  consisting of elements (i, j) with  $a_{ij} \neq 0$ . Let  $\operatorname{Min}(\phi)$  be the set consisting of minimal elements of  $\operatorname{Supp}(\phi)$  for the order  $\preceq$ .

**Proposition 3.2.3.** Let R be an integral domain and  $(f_1, f_2)$  an R-regular sequence, where  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are prime elements. Let m, n be nonnegative integers. For  $v \in R$ ,  $g = v \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}$ . Then  $V_g$  is affine if there is  $\phi(x, y) \in R[x, y]$  such that  $v = \phi(f_1, f_2)$  and there is  $(I, J) \in Min(\phi)$  such that  $(I, J) \prec (m, n)$ , and  $a_{IJ} \in R^*$ .

*Proof.* By the assumption, the following equation holds:

$$f_1^{m-I-1} \cdot f_2^{n-J-1} \cdot g = a_{IJ} \cdot f_1^{-1} \cdot f_2^{-1} + \sum_{(i,j) \neq (I,J)} a_{ij} \cdot f_1^{i-I-1} \cdot f_2^{j-J-1}.$$

The right-hand side of this equation is equal to  $a_{IJ} \cdot f_1^{-1} \cdot f_2^{-1}$  in  $\check{H}^1(\{D(f_1), D(f_2)\}, \mathcal{O}_{D(f_1, f_2)})$ . Since the principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over  $D(f_1, f_2)$ defined by  $a_{IJ} \cdot f_1^{-1} \cdot f_2^{-1}$  is isomorphic to  $\operatorname{Spec}(R[s, t]/(f_1s + f_2t - a_{IJ}))$ , Lemma 3.2.2 implies that  $V_g$  is affine.

# **3.3** Invariant of principal $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundles over $X = D(f_1, f_2)$

**Lemma 3.3.1.** Let R be an integral domain,  $(f_1, f_2)$  be an R-regular sequence, where  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are prime elements, and  $\overline{g} \in H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ . Then the set  $S_{\overline{g}} := \{(m, n) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\oplus 2} | \exists h \in R, \overline{h \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}} = \overline{g}\}$  has a minimum element for the order  $\preceq$ .

*Proof.* Since there exist only finite elements smaller than (m, n) in  $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\oplus 2}$ , it is sufficient to show that for  $(m, n), (m'n') \in S_{\overline{g}}$  with m > m' and n < n', there exists  $(M, N) \in S_{\overline{g}}$  such that  $(M, N) \preceq (m, n), (m', n')$ . Let  $h, h' \in R$  such that  $\overline{g} = \overline{h \cdot f_1^{-m} \cdot f_2^{-m}} = \overline{h' \cdot f_1^{-m'} f_2^{-n'}}$  in  $\mathrm{H}^1(\mathrm{D}(f_1, f_2), \mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{D}(f_1, f_2)})$ . We may suppose that  $f_1, f_2 \nmid h, h'$ . Then there exist  $c_1, c_2 \in R$  and  $o_1, o_2 \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  such that

$$h \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n} - c_1 \cdot f_1^{-o_1} = h' \cdot f_1^{-m'} f_2^{-n'} + c_2 \cdot f_2^{-o_2},$$

and  $f_i \nmid c_i$  if  $o_i > 0$ . Since  $f_1 \nmid (h \cdot f_1^{o_1 - m} + c_1 \cdot f_2^n)$ , the above equation implies  $o_1 \leq m$ , and  $o_2 \leq n'$  holds. Therefore, there exists  $(M, N) \in S_{\overline{g}}$  such that  $(M, N) \preceq (m, n), (m', n')$ .

Now we denote by  $P(\overline{g})$  the minimum element of  $S_{\overline{g}}$  for  $\overline{g} \in H^1(D(f_1, f_2), \mathcal{O}_{D(f_1, f_2)})$ .

**Lemma 3.3.2.** Let R be an integral domain and  $(f_1, f_2)$  an R-regular sequence, where  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are prime elements. Let m, n be nonnegative integers. For  $h \in R$ , let  $g = h \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}$ . Then  $P(\overline{g}) = (m, n)$  if and only if  $h \notin (f_1^m, f_2) \cup (f_1, f_2^n)$ .

*Proof.* It is enough to show that  $P(\overline{g}) \leq (m-1, n)$  if and only if  $h \in (f_1, f_2^n)$ , and  $P(\overline{g}) \leq (m, n-1)$  if and only if  $h \in (f_1^m, f_2)$ .

Suppose  $h \in (f_1, f_2^n)$ , i.e. there exist  $a, b \in R$  such that  $h = af_1 + bf_2^n$ . Then  $g - bf_1^{-m} = a \cdot f_1^{-m+1}f_2^{-n}$ . Therefore  $P(\overline{g}) \preceq (m-1, n)$ . Conversely, suppose  $P(\overline{g}) \preceq (m-1, n)$ . Then there exists  $a, b \in R$  and integers  $i \geq m, j \geq n$  such that

$$\overline{g} = \overline{(hf_1^{i-m}f_2^{j-n} - af_2^i - bf_1^j) \cdot f_1^{-i}f_2^{-j}},$$

 $f_1 \nmid a$  (resp.  $f_2 \nmid b$ ) if i > m (resp. j > n), and  $hf_1^{i-m}f_2^{j-n} - af_2^i - bf_1^j \in (f_1)^{i-m+1}, (f_2)^{j-n}$ . If i > m, then  $af_2^j \in (f_1)^{i-m+1}$ , and this is a contradiction. If j > n, then  $bf_1^i \in (f_2)^{j-n}$ , and this is a contradiction. Therefore i = m and j = n. In this case,  $h - af_2^n - bf_1^m \in (f_1)$ . Therefore  $h \in (f_1, f_2^n)$ . In the same way, we can show that  $P(\overline{g}) \preceq (m, n-1)$  if and only if  $h \in (f_1^m, f_2)$ .  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 3.3.3.** Let R be an integral domain and  $(f_1, f_2)$  an R-regular sequence, where  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are prime elements. Let m, n be nonnegative integers. Let  $\phi(X,Y) = \sum_{i,j} a_{ij} X^i Y^j = \sum_j b_j(X) Y^j = \sum_i c_i(Y) X^i \in R[X,Y]$ such that  $X, Y \nmid \phi(X,Y)$ . If  $\phi(X,Y)$  satisfies the following two conditions:

- (1)  $0 \leq \exists J \leq n-1 \text{ s.t. } a_{0J} \notin (f_1, f_2), X \nmid b_J(X), and \forall j < J, (X|b_j(X) or f_2|a_{0j});$
- (2)  $0 \leq \exists I \leq m-1 \text{ s.t. } a_{I0} \notin (f_1, f_2), Y \nmid c_I(Y), and \forall i < I, (Y \mid c_i(Y) \text{ or } f_1 \mid a_{i0});$

then  $P\left(\overline{\phi(f_1, f_2) \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}}\right) = (m, n).$ 

*Proof.* Suppose that

$$(m',n') := \mathbf{P}\left(\overline{\phi\left(f_1,f_2\right) \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}}\right) \prec (m,n)$$

for contradiction. We assume that m' < m. Then there exists  $c_1 \in R$  such that  $f_1|\phi(f_1, f_2) + c_1 \cdot f_2^n$ , and there exists  $c \in R$  such that

$$c \cdot f_{1} - b_{0}(f_{1}) - b_{1}(f_{1}) \cdot f_{2}^{1} - \dots - b_{I-1}(f_{1}) \cdot f_{2}^{I-1}$$
  
=  $f_{2}^{I} \cdot \{a_{I0} + (b_{I}(f_{1}) - a_{I0}) + b_{I+1}(f_{1}) \cdot f_{2} + \dots + b_{n}(f_{1}) \cdot f_{2}^{n-I}\}$ 

Then  $a_{I0} \in (f_1, f_2)$  since  $b_I(f_1) - a_{I0}$  can be divided by  $f_1$ , and this is a contradiction.

**Proposition 3.3.4.** Let R be an integral domain and  $(f_1, f_2)$  an R-regular sequence, where  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are prime elements. Let m and n be nonnegative integers. Suppose  $\phi(X, Y) = \sum_{i,j} a_{ij} X^i Y^j \in k[X, Y] \setminus ((X) \cup (Y))$  satisfies  $\deg_X \phi < m, \deg_Y \phi < n$ . Then  $P\left(\overline{\phi(f_1, f_2) \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}}\right) = (m, n)$ .

Proof. It is enough to show the existence of  $(I', J') \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{\oplus 2}$  satisfying conditions (1) and (2) of Lemma 3.3.3. Since  $\phi(X, Y) \in k[\overline{X}, Y]$ ,  $a_{ij} \notin (f_1, f_2)$ if  $a_{ij} \neq 0$  for any (i, j). An integer j satisfying  $X \nmid b_j(X)$  also exists since  $f_1 \nmid \phi(f_1, f_2)$ . Let J' be the minimum integer of j. Then J' satisfies the condition (1). An integer I' that satisfies (2) also exists for the same reason.

#### 3.4 Sufficient condition for two principal $\mathbb{G}_a$ bundles to be nonisomorphic

**Lemma 3.4.1.** Let Spec(R) be an affine variety. Let  $(f_1, f_2)$  be an R-regular sequence, where  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are prime elements. Let  $V_g$  (resp.  $V_{g'}$ ) be the principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle defined by  $g = v \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}$  (resp.  $g' = w \cdot f_1^{-m'} f_2^{-n'}$ ) over  $X = D(f_1, f_2)$ , where  $v, w \in R$ . Then  $V_g \simeq_X V_{g'}$  if and only if there exists  $a \in R^*$  such that  $\overline{a \cdot g} = \overline{g'}$  in  $\mathrm{H}^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ .

Proof. Suppose that an isomorphism  $\Phi: V_g \simeq_X V_{g'}$  exists. Then there exists  $\phi_i \in \operatorname{Aut}(R_{f_i}[t])$  for each i such that  $G_{g'} \circ \phi_1 = \phi_2 \circ G_g$ , i.e., there exists  $a_i \in R_{f_i}^*$  and  $b_i \in R_{f_i}$  for each i such that  $a_1t + b_1 + g' = a_2(t+g) + b_2$ . This equation implies that  $a_1 = a_2 \in R^*$  and  $g' - a_2g = b_2 - b_1$ . Conversely,  $\overline{a \cdot g} = \overline{g'}$  implies the existence of  $a \in R^*$  and  $b_i \in R_{f_i}$ , which satisfies the above condition. Therefore,  $V_g \simeq_X V_{g'}$ .

**Lemma 3.4.2.** Let  $\operatorname{Spec}(R)$  be an affine variety and  $f_1, f_2$  elements in  $R \setminus \{0\}$ . Let  $V_g$  be a principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over  $X = D(f_1, f_2)$  defined by  $g = v \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}$ . Let  $\psi$  be an automorphism of R such that  $\psi(f_1, f_2)_R = (f_1, f_2)_R$ . Then there exists  $h \in (f_1, f_2)_R^{m+n-2} \setminus \{0\}$  such that the pushforward of  $V_g$  by  $\phi := \operatorname{Spec}(\psi)|_X : X \to X$  is the principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over X defined by  $g_\phi := \psi^{-1}(v) \cdot h \cdot f_1^{-m-n+1} f_2^{-m-n+1}$ .

Proof. Let  $f'_i := \psi^{-1}(f_i)$  for short. Let  $\mathcal{U}' = \{Y_{f'_1}, Y_{f'_2}\}$ , which is an open affine covering of X. Then the pushforward of  $V_g$  by  $\phi$  is defined by  $\overline{g'} = \overline{\psi^{-1}(v) \cdot f'_1} \cdot f'_2 \in \check{\mathrm{H}}^1(\mathcal{U}', \mathcal{O}_X)$ . Let

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \alpha_1 & := & \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} {}_{m+n-1} \mathbf{C}_i \cdot (a \cdot f'_1)^{n-1-i} \cdot (b \cdot f'_2)^i, \\ \alpha_2 & := & \sum_{i=n}^{m+n-1} {}_{m+n-1} \mathbf{C}_i \cdot (a \cdot f'_1)^{m+n-1-i} \cdot (b \cdot f'_2)^{i-n}, \\ \beta_1 & := & \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} {}_{m+n-1} \mathbf{C}_i \cdot (c \cdot f'_1)^{n-1-i} \cdot (d \cdot f'_2)^i, \\ \beta_2 & := & \sum_{i=n}^{m+n-1} {}_{m+n-1} \mathbf{C}_i \cdot (c \cdot f'_1)^{m+n-1-i} \cdot (d \cdot f'_2)^{i-n}, \end{array}$$

and  $h := \alpha_1 \beta_2 - \alpha_2 \beta_1$ . Then  $f_1^{m+n-1} = f_1'^m \cdot \alpha_1 + f_2'^n \cdot \alpha_2$  and  $f_2^{m+n-1} = f_1'^m \cdot \beta_1 + f_2'^n \cdot \beta_2$ . Therefore,

$$\psi^{-1}(v) \cdot f_1'^{-m} \cdot f_2'^{-n} = \psi^{-1}(v) \cdot \alpha_1 \cdot f_2'^{-n} \cdot f_1^{-m-n+1} + \psi^{-1}(v) \cdot \alpha_2 \cdot f_1'^{-m} \cdot f_1^{-m-n+1} \text{ on } Y_{f_1},$$
  
$$\psi^{-1}(v) \cdot f_1'^{-m} \cdot f_2'^{-n} = \psi^{-1}(v) \cdot \beta_1 \cdot f_2'^{-n} \cdot f_2^{-m-n+1} + \psi^{-1}(v) \cdot \beta_2 \cdot f_1'^{-m} \cdot f_2^{-m-n+1} \text{ on } Y_{f_2}.$$
  
Hence, the principal  $\mathbb{C}$  bundle  $V_1 \times \mathbb{C}$  for ever  $Y_{T_1}$  is defined by

Hence, the principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle  $V_{g'} \times_X Y_{f'_1}$  over  $Y_{f'_1}$  is defined by

$$\psi^{-1}(v) \cdot \beta_2 \cdot f_1'^{-m} \cdot f_2^{-m-n+1} - \psi^{-1}(v) \cdot \alpha_2 \cdot f_1'^{-m} \cdot f_1^{-m-n+1} \\ = \psi^{-1}(v) \cdot h \cdot f_1^{-m-n+1} f_2^{-m-n+1}.$$

In the same way,  $V_{g'} \times_X Y_{f'_2}$  over  $Y_{f'_2}$  is defined by the above element.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 3.4.3.** Let  $\operatorname{Spec}(R)$  be a non- $\mathbb{A}^1$ -uniruled affine variety. Let  $(f_1, f_2)$  be an R-regular sequence, where  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are prime elements such that the ideal  $(f_1, f_2)_R$  is prime. Let  $V_g$  (resp.  $V_{g'}$ ) be the principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle over  $X = D(f_1, f_2)$  defined by  $g = v \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}$  (resp.  $g' = w \cdot f_1^{-m'} f_2^{-n'}$ ), where  $\operatorname{P}(\overline{g'}) = (m', n')$ . Then  $V_g \ncong V_{g'}$  if (1) or (2) holds.

(1) m' > m + n - 1 or n' > m + n - 1

(2)  $m', n' \leq m + n - 1$  and  $v' \notin (f_1, f_2)^{m' + n' - m - n + \delta(v)}$ , where

$$\delta(v) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } v \notin (f_1, f_2) \\ 1 & \text{if } v \in (f_1, f_2). \end{cases}$$

Proof. Let  $p: V_g \to X$  (resp.  $p': V_{g'} \to X$ ) be the structure morphism of the principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle  $V_g$  over X (resp.  $V_{g'}$  over X). Suppose that there exists an isomorphism  $\Phi: V_g \simeq V_{g'}$  for contradiction. By Lemma 2.3.1, there exists an automorphism  $\phi$  of X such that  $\phi \circ p = p' \circ \Phi$ . Since  $(f_1, f_2)$  is R-regular, there exists an automorphism  $\psi$  of R such that  $\phi = \operatorname{Spec}(\psi)|_X : X \to X$ . Then  $\psi^{-1}(f_1, f_2)_R = (f_1, f_2)_R$  since  $(f_1, f_2)_R$  is a prime ideal in R. By Lemma 3.4.2, the pushforward of the principal  $\mathbb{G}_a$ -bundle  $V_g$  by  $\Phi$  is defined by  $g_{\phi}$ . Then  $V_{g_{\phi}}$  is isomorphic to  $V_{g'}$  as a scheme over X. Therefore, there exists a unit a in R such that  $\overline{a \cdot g'} = \overline{g_{\phi}}$  in  $\mathrm{H}^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  by Lemma 3.4.1.

If m' > m + n - 1 or n > m + n - 1, then  $P(\overline{g'}) \prec (m', n')$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore  $V_g \ncong V_{g'}$ .

If  $m', n' \leq m+n-1$  and  $v' \notin (f_1, f_2)^{m'+n'-m-n+\delta(v)}$ , then we can take  $c_1, c_2 \in R$  that satisfy  $g' = g_{\phi} + c_1 \cdot f_1^{-m-n+1} + c_2 \cdot f_2^{-m-n+1}$ . Then,

$$a \cdot v' \cdot f_1^{m+n-m'-1} f_2^{m+n-n'-1} = \psi^{-1}(v) \cdot h + c_1 \cdot f_2^{m+n-1} + c_2 \cdot f_1^{m+n-1}$$

for some  $h \in (f_1, f_2)^{m+n-2}$ . Since  $\psi^{-1}(v) \in (f_1, f_2)^{\delta(v)}$  and  $h \in (f_1, f_2)^{m+n-2}$ , the right-hand side of the above equation is in  $(f_1, f_2)^{m+n-2+\delta(v)}$ . Then  $a \cdot v' \in (f_1, f_2)^{m'+n'-m-n+\delta(v)}$  since  $(f_1, f_2)$  is an *R*-regular sequence, which is a contradiction. Therefore,  $V_g \ncong V_{g'}$ .

**Corollary 3.4.4.** Let Spec(R) be a non- $\mathbb{A}^1$ -uniruled affine variety. Let  $(f_1, f_2)$  be an R-regular sequence, where  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are prime elements such that the ideal  $(f_1, f_2)_R$  is prime. Let m, n, m', n' be integers. Then  $V_{f_1^{-m}f_2^{-n}} \times \mathbb{A}^1 \simeq V_{f_1^{-m'}f_2^{-n'}} \times \mathbb{A}^1$  but  $V_{f_1^{-m}f_2^{-n}} \ncong V_{f_1^{-m'}f_2^{-n'}}$  if  $m + n \neq m' + n'$ .

Proof. Since  $V_{f_1^{-m}f_2^{-n}}$  and  $V_{f_1^{-m'}f_2^{-n'}}$  are affine, Danielewski's fiber product trick implies  $V_{f_1^{-m}f_2^{-n}} \times \mathbb{A}^1 \simeq V_{f_1^{-m'}f_2^{-n'}} \times \mathbb{A}^1$ . Suppose that m' + n' > m + n. In the case where m' > m + n - 1 or n' > m + n - 1, Theorem 3.4.3 implies that  $V_{f_1^{-m}f_2^{-n}} \ncong V_{f_1^{-m'}f_2^{-n'}}$ . In the case where  $m', n' \leq m + n - 1$ , then  $1 \notin (f_1, f_2)^{m' + n' - m - n}$ . Therefore, Theorem 3.4.3 implies that  $V_{f_1^{-m}f_2^{-n}} \ncong V_{f_1^{-m'}f_2^{-n'}}$ .

**Corollary 3.4.5.** Let Spec(R) be a non-A<sup>1</sup>-uniruled affine variety. Let  $(f_1, f_2)$  be an R-regular sequence, where  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are prime elements such that the ideal  $(f_1, f_2)_R$  is prime. Let m, n be integers larger than 1. Let  $\phi(X, Y)$  be an element of  $(X, Y) \setminus ((X) \cup (Y)) \subset k[X, Y]$  satisfying  $\deg_X \phi < m$ ,  $\deg_Y \phi < n$ . Then  $V_{f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}} \times \mathbb{A}^1 \simeq V_{\phi(f_1, f_2) \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}} \times \mathbb{A}^1$  and  $\mathbb{P}\left(\overline{f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}}\right) = \mathbb{P}\left(\overline{\phi(f_1, f_2) \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}}\right)$ , but  $V_{f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}} \ncong V_{\phi(f_1, f_2) \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\phi'(X, Y) := 1 \in k[X, Y]$ . Then  $\phi$  and  $\phi'$  satisfy the condition of Proposition 3.2.3 and Proposition 3.3.4. Therefore  $V_{f_1^{-m}f_2^{-n}}$  and  $V_{\phi(f_1, f_2) \cdot f_1^{-m}f_2^{-n}}$  are affine, Danielewski's fiber product trick implies  $V_{f_1^{-m}f_2^{-n}} \times \mathbb{A}^1 \simeq V_{\phi(f_1, f_2) \cdot f_1^{-m}f_2^{-n}} \times \mathbb{A}^1$ , and

$$P\left(\overline{f_1^{-m}f_2^{-n}}\right) = P\left(\overline{\phi\left(f_1, f_2\right) \cdot f_1^{-m}f_2^{-n}}\right) = (m, n).$$

Since  $(f_1, f_2)$  is an *R*-regular sequence,  $1 \notin (f_1, f_2) = (f_1, f_2)^{m+n-m-n+1}$ . Therefore,  $f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}$  and  $\phi(f_1, f_2) \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}$  satisfy condition (2) of Theorem 3.4.3. Therefore  $V_{f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}} \ncong V_{\phi(f_1, f_2) \cdot f_1^{-m} f_2^{-n}}$ .

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