

Definition Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a morphism of schemes. Let $x \in X$ we say that f is smooth at x if there is an open $x \in U \subseteq X$ s.t. $f|_U: U \rightarrow Y$ is smooth.

Theorem (Jacobian Criterion)

Let
$$\begin{array}{ccc} Z & \xrightarrow{i} & \mathbb{A}^n_{\mathbb{R}} \\ f \searrow & & \swarrow \\ & \text{Spec } \mathbb{R} & \end{array}$$
 be a

diagram of schemes, where i is a closed immersion of finite presentation.

Let $z \in Z$, then f is smooth at z if and only, if there is $U \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n_{\mathbb{R}}$ open and $f_1, \dots, f_r \in \Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_U)$ s.t.

$Z \cap U = V(f_1, \dots, f_r)$ and the rank of the matrix $J(z)_{ij} = \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(z) \right)$ $i \in \{1, \dots, r\}, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ is r .

proof \Rightarrow Let $z \in V \subseteq \mathbb{A}_R^n$ s.t. $f|_V: V \cap Z \rightarrow \text{Spec } R$ is smooth. Let $V = \text{Spec } B$ and $Z \cap V = \text{Spec } B/\underline{I}$. and $A = B/\underline{I}$.

By shrinking V we may assume

$$0 \rightarrow \underline{I}/\underline{I}^2 \rightarrow A \oplus \bigoplus_B^r B/R \rightarrow \bigoplus_{A/R}^r \rightarrow 0$$

is an exact sequence of free A -modules.

Let $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_r \in \underline{I}$ be elements projecting to a basis of $\underline{I}/\underline{I}^2$.

Claim: there is $U \subseteq V$ open s.t.

$$Z \cap U = V(f_1, \dots, f_r).$$

Assuming this claim, the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bigoplus_{i=1}^r e_i & \xrightarrow{\quad \tau \quad} & \bigoplus_{i=1}^r A \cdot dx_i \\ \downarrow [e_i \mapsto f_i] & & \downarrow \cong \\ 0 \rightarrow \underline{I}/\underline{I}^2 & \longrightarrow & A \oplus \bigoplus_B^r B/R \end{array}$$

shows that $\text{rank}(\tau(z)) = r$.

part of claim let $J \subseteq I$ be the ideal generated by f_1, \dots, f_r , and $M = I/J$

$$M \otimes_B k(z) = (M \otimes_B A) \otimes_A k(z) = 0 \quad \text{By Nakayama, } M \otimes_B \mathbb{Q}_z = 0$$

and $M|_U = 0$ for some U .

clearly, $z \cap U = V(J) = V(f_1, \dots, f_r)$.

\Leftarrow Suppose $z \cap U = V(f_1, \dots, f_r)$

$$U = \text{Spec } B \quad A = B/\langle f_1, \dots, f_r \rangle = I$$

we set a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bigoplus_{i=1}^r A \cdot e_i & \xrightarrow{J} & \bigoplus_{i=1}^n A \cdot dx_i \\ \downarrow [e_i \mapsto f_i] & & \downarrow \simeq \\ I/I^2 & \xrightarrow{d} & A \otimes_B \Omega_{B/R}^1 \rightarrow \Omega_{A/R}^1 \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

By hypothesis, $J(z)$ is injective.

This implies $\bigoplus_{i=1}^r k(z) \cdot e_i \xrightarrow{\sim} I/I^2 \otimes k(z)$

is an isomorphism. This shows

$$0 \rightarrow I/I^2 \otimes k(z) \rightarrow k(z) \otimes_B \Omega'_{B/R} \rightarrow \Omega'_{A/R} \otimes k(z) \rightarrow 0$$

is exact, and since $\Omega'_{B/R}$ is finite projective, by homomorphism

$$0 \rightarrow I/I^2 \rightarrow \Omega'_{B/R} \rightarrow \Omega'_{A/R} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{is}$$

split injective on $z \in U \subseteq \text{Spec } A$.

for some U . Since $\text{Spec } B$ is smooth over $\text{Spec } R$, $U \cap Z$ is smooth over $\text{Spec } R$.

Theorem (Uniformizing Parameters):

Let $g: X \rightarrow S$ be a map of schemes,
then g is smooth at $x \in X$
if and only if there is $x \in U \subset X$ and
 $f_1, \dots, f_n \in \Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_U)$ such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U & \xrightarrow{f=(f_1, \dots, f_n)} & \mathbb{A}_S^n \\ & \searrow g|_U & \downarrow \\ & & S \end{array} \text{ commutes,}$$

the map f is étale and $\mathcal{O}'_{X/S}|_U \cong \bigoplus_{i=1}^n \mathcal{O}_U \cdot df_i$

Proof \Leftarrow Is easy, since étale maps
are smooth and $\mathbb{A}_S^n \rightarrow S$ is
smooth.

\Rightarrow WLOG $U = \text{Spec } B$ $S = \text{Spec } R$
and $\mathcal{O}'_{U/S}$ is finite free.

$\mathcal{O}'_{U/S}$ is generated by df_i $f_i \in B$
and we pick a basis $\bigoplus_{i=1}^n \mathcal{O}_U \cdot df_i \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}'_{U/S}$
after shrinking U around x

We set a map
 $u \xrightarrow{f=(f_1, \dots, f_n)} \text{Spec } A$
 $\searrow \quad \swarrow$
 Spec

$$A = R[x_1, \dots, x_n]$$

$$x_i \mapsto f_i \in B.$$

We set an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega_{A/R} \oplus B \xrightarrow{\sim} \Omega_{B/R} \rightarrow \Omega_{B/A} \rightarrow 0 \quad (*)$$

with $dx_i \mapsto df_i$ which is an isomorphism by construction.

Recall

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{p} & Y \\ & \searrow & \swarrow \\ & S & \end{array}$$

when top is smooth and
 $(*)$ is exact then p is smooth

So f is formally smooth. Since $\Omega_{B/A} = 0$
 f is formally unramified i.e.
 formally étale. But f is finitely
 presented.

Étale maps and "local homeomorphisms":

Proposition Let $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ be

maps of schemes. If f is formally étale, then $f^* \Omega'_{Y/S} \rightarrow \Omega'_{X/S}$ is an isomorphism.

Proof

$$f^* \Omega'_{Y/S} \rightarrow \Omega'_{X/S} \rightarrow \underbrace{\Omega'_{X/Y}}_0 \rightarrow 0$$

and since f is formally smooth the above sequence is split exact. (i.e. an isomorphism).

Proposition Suppose $f: X \rightarrow S$ is formally étale, $x \in X$, $s \in S$, $s = f(x)$ and $k(s) \xrightarrow{\sim} k(x)$.

Then

$\hat{\mathcal{O}}_{s,s} = \varprojlim \mathcal{O}_{s,s} / \mathfrak{m}_{s,s}^n \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{O}}_{x,x} = \varprojlim \mathcal{O}_{x,x} / \mathfrak{m}_x^n$ is an isomorphism.

Proof

Claim: For all $n \geq 0$ the map

$\mathcal{O}_{S,S}/m_S^n \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X,X}/m_X^n$ is an isomorphism. (Here $m_S \subseteq \mathcal{O}_{S,S}$ is the maximal ideal).

Base case is $k(S) \simeq k(X)$.

Let $C_{\leq n}$ be the category of local rings (A, m_A, i) with $m_A^n = 0$ and

$$i: k(S) \xrightarrow{\sim} A/m_A.$$

$$\text{Let } F_n: C_{\leq n} \rightarrow \text{Sets}$$

$$F_n = \text{Hom}\left((\mathcal{O}_{X,X}/m_X^n, i_X), -\right) \quad G_n = \text{Hom}\left((\mathcal{O}_{S,S}/m_S^n, i_S), -\right)$$

The map $\mathcal{O}_{S,S}/m_S^n \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X,X}/m_X^n$ induces a morphism $F_n \xrightarrow{\Phi_n} G_n$.

Claim Φ_n is isomorphism and by Yoneda

$$\mathcal{O}_{X,X}/m_X^n \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}_{S,S}/m_S^n$$

Indeed, let $A \in \mathcal{C}_{\leq n}$ and $A' = A/m_A^{n-1} \in \mathcal{C}_{\leq n-1}$.

$$\text{Then } F_n(A') = F_{n-1}(A') = G_{n-1}(A') = G_n(A')$$

$$\text{Moreover, } F_n(A) = F_n(A') \times_{G_n(A')} G_n(A)$$

in other words

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{Spec } A' & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_{X,x}/m_x^{n-1} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_x \\ \downarrow & \exists! & \downarrow & \dashrightarrow & \downarrow \\ \text{Spec } A & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_{S,s}/m_s^{n-1} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_s \end{array}$$

Smoothness vs regularity

Definition 1) Let (A, \mathfrak{m}) be a Noetherian local ring, let $k = A/\mathfrak{m}$.

Then A is regular whenever

$$\dim_k(\mathfrak{m}/\mathfrak{m}^2) = \dim A.$$

2) A scheme X is called regular if it is locally Noetherian and for all $x \in X$ $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$ is a regular local ring.

3) A map of schemes $f: X \rightarrow S$ is geometrically regular if for all algebraically closed fields K and maps $\text{Spec } K \rightarrow S$ the basechange $f_K: X \times_S \text{Spec } K \rightarrow \text{Spec } K$ is a regular scheme.

Theorem Let k be a field and $f: X \rightarrow \text{Spec } k$ a map of schemes:
The following are equivalent:

- 1) f is smooth
- 2) f is geometrically regular.
- 3) There is K/k field extension with K algebraically closed s.t.

$$X_K = X \times_{\text{Spec } k} \text{Spec } K \text{ is regular.}$$

Example: If $k = \mathbb{F}_p(t) = \text{Frac}(\mathbb{F}_p[t])$.

$$\text{a) } X = \text{Spec } \mathbb{F}_p(t^{1/p}) = \text{Spec } k[T]_{/T^p - t}$$

then X is regular but

$$X_{\overline{\mathbb{F}_p}} = \text{Spec } \overline{\mathbb{F}_p}[T]_{/T^p} \text{ is not regular.}$$

Lemma: Let $A \rightarrow B$ be a faithfully flat map of rings and M an A -module, then:

1) M is of finite type
(resp. finite presentation)

iff $M \otimes_A B$ is of finite type
(resp. finite presentation).

2) M is flat over A if and only if $M \otimes_A B$ is flat over B .

Proof For both \Rightarrow direction is easy.

1) \Leftarrow write $M = \operatorname{colim}_{i \in I} N_i$ as

N_i ranges over f.s. submodules.

Then $M \otimes_A B = \operatorname{colim} (N_i \otimes_A B)$ and there is i s.t. $M \otimes B = N_i \otimes B$.

Now, $M/N_i \otimes_A B = 0 \Rightarrow M = N_i$.

Applying this to $K = \ker(\bigoplus_{i=1}^n A \rightarrow M)$
we also get f.p. case.

2) \Leftarrow) Let $N_1 \rightarrow N_2$ be injective
then

$M \otimes_A N_1 \rightarrow M \otimes_A N_2$ is injective
iff $B \otimes_A M \otimes_A N_1 \rightarrow B \otimes_A M \otimes_A N_2$ is injective
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$$(B \otimes_A M) \otimes_B (B \otimes_A N_1) \rightarrow (B \otimes_A M) \otimes_B (B \otimes_A N_2).$$

which is injective since $(B \otimes_A M)$ is a flat B -module.

Some facts about regularity:

Let A be a Noetherian local ring.

- 1) A is regular iff $\hat{A} = \lim_{\leftarrow} A/\mathfrak{m}^n$ is regular.
- 2) If $A \rightarrow B$ is local, flat and B is regular then A is regular.
- 3) If A is regular then A_p is regular $\forall p \in \text{Spec } A$.

Proof of Theorem 1) \Rightarrow 2)

Suppose $f: X \rightarrow \text{Spec } k$ is smooth and K/k is a field extension with $\bar{K} = K$.

Locally in X_K we have a presentation $U \xrightarrow{g} \mathbb{A}_K^n$ with

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \downarrow \\ & \text{Spec } K & \downarrow \end{array}$$

f étale. Fix $x \in X_K$, we want to show $\mathcal{O}_{X_K, x}$ is regular.

WLOG $x \in X(K)$. by Fact 3.

Then $\hat{\mathcal{O}}_{X, x} = \hat{\mathcal{O}}_{\mathbb{A}^n, x(K)} = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ which is regular. Since $\mathcal{O}_{X, x} \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{O}}_{X, x}$ is local flat Fact 2 implies $\mathcal{O}_{X, x}$ is regular.

2) \Rightarrow 3) | Easy.

3) \Rightarrow 1) Fix a map of schemes
 $f: X \rightarrow \text{Spec } k$ and a field extension

K/k with $f_K: X_K \rightarrow \text{Spec } K$ smooth.

WLOG $X = \text{Spec } A$ and let $A_K = A \otimes_k K$.

Then $\mathcal{O}_{A_K/K}^i = K \otimes_k \mathcal{O}_{A/k}^i$,

Since X_K is smooth over $\text{Spec } K$
it is flat and finitely presented.

Since $\mathcal{O}_{A/k}^i$ is an A -module

and $A \rightarrow A_K$ is faithful, flat
 $\mathcal{O}_{A_K}^i$ is flat finitely presented over
 A , i.e. locally free of finite rank.

Analogously, A is a finite type k -algebra
since A_K is.

Let $\text{Spec } A \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{A}_k^n$ be a closed immersion with $A = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]/I$.

Then f is smooth iff

$$0 \rightarrow I_{f^*} \xrightarrow{d} \bigoplus_{i=1}^n A \cdot dx_i \rightarrow \Omega_{A/k}^1 \rightarrow 0$$

is exact.

This is equivalent to

$$0 \rightarrow I_k/I_k^2 \xrightarrow{d_k} \bigoplus_{i=1}^n A_k dx_i \rightarrow \Omega_{A_k/k}^1 \rightarrow 0$$

being injective.