

Recall: Given a f.o.t lifting diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Spec } R/I & \longrightarrow & \text{Spec } B \\ \downarrow & \nearrow f & \downarrow \\ \text{Spec } R & \longrightarrow & \text{Spec } A \end{array}$$

and a lift f , then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Lift}(c) &= f + \text{Der}_A(B, I) \\ &= f + \text{Hom}_B(\Omega_{B/A}^1, I) \end{aligned}$$

Proposition: If $f: \text{Spec } B \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$ is formally smooth then $\Omega_{B/A}^1$ is a projective B -module. If f is smooth then $\Omega_{B/A}^1$ is finite locally free.

Proof Let $M \rightarrow M'$ be a surjection of B -modules we want to show

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Der}_A(B, M) & \longrightarrow & \text{Der}_A(B, M') \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ \text{Hom}_B(\Omega_{B/A}^1, M) & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_B(\Omega_{B/A}^1, M') \end{array}$$

is also surjective. An element $\delta_{M'} \in \text{Der}_A(B, M')$ corresponds to a map $\text{Spec } A[M'] \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$
 $a + \delta(a) \varepsilon \mapsto a$

We have

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \text{can} + \delta' & \\ \text{Spec } A[M'] & \longrightarrow & \text{Spec } A \\ \downarrow & \nearrow f & \downarrow \\ \text{Spec } A[M] & \longrightarrow & \text{Spec } R \end{array}$$

\hookrightarrow Smoothness we set an element $f = \text{can} + \delta$ and δ lifts δ' .
 So $\Omega_{B/A}^1$ is projective.

If $\text{Spec } B \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$ is finite,
 presented $B = A[x_1, \dots, x_n] / I$ then

$$\bigoplus_{i=1}^n B \cdot dx_i \rightarrow \Omega_{B/A}^1$$
 is surjective
 so $\Omega_{B/A}^1$ is finite projective.

Proposition Given map of schemes

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow S$ the following

hold:

1) If f is formally smooth

then $0 \rightarrow f^* \Omega_{Y/S}^1 \rightarrow \Omega_{X/S}^1 \rightarrow \Omega_{X/Y}^1 \rightarrow 0 \quad (*)$

is exact and locally split.

2) If $h = g \circ f$ is formally smooth
 and the sequence $(*)$ is exact
 locally split, then f is
 formally smooth.

Deeper perspective: There is a cotangent

complex $\mathcal{L}_{X/Y}, \mathcal{L}_{X/S}, f^*\mathcal{L}_{Y/S}$

and a triangle

$$f^*\mathcal{L}_{Y/S} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{X/S} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{X/Y} \rightarrow$$

this induces on homology

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} H_1(\mathcal{L}_{X/Y}) & \rightarrow & H_0(f^*\mathcal{L}_{Y/S}) & \rightarrow & H_0(\mathcal{L}_{X/S}) & \rightarrow & H_0(\mathcal{L}_{X/Y}) \\ \text{smoothness} & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel \\ \text{of } f. & \rightsquigarrow & 0 & & f^*\Omega'_{Y/S} & \rightarrow & \Omega'_{X/S} \rightarrow \Omega'_{X/Y} \end{array}$$

Conversely, if h is formally smooth then $\Omega'_{X/S}$ "should be projective".

if $0 \rightarrow f^*\Omega'_{Y/S} \rightarrow \Omega'_{X/S}$ is locally split, then $\Omega'_{X/Y}$ is locally a direct summand of $\Omega'_{X/S}$.

warnings $X = \text{Spec } k, Y = \text{Spec } k[t]/t^2 = S$

then $\Omega'_{X/S} = \Omega'_{X/Y} = \Omega'_{Y/S} = 0$, but

$X \rightarrow S$ is not formally smooth.

Proof WLOG $X = \text{spec } C$, $Y = \text{spec } B$, $S = \text{spec } A$.

1) we need to show

$$0 \rightarrow C \otimes_B \Omega_{B/A}^1 \rightarrow \Omega_{C/A}^1 \rightarrow \Omega_{C/B}^1 \rightarrow 0$$

is locally split exact.

$$\text{Now, } \text{Hom}(\Omega_{C/A}^1, C \otimes_B \Omega_{B/A}^1)$$

$$= \text{Der}_A(C, C \otimes_B \Omega_{B/A}^1).$$

We have

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{spec } C & \xlongequal{\quad} & \text{spec } C \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \text{spec}(C \otimes [C \otimes_B \Omega_{B/A}^1]) & \longrightarrow & \text{spec } B \\ (f^\#(b), db) & \longleftarrow & b \end{array}$$

By formal smoothness there

$$\text{is a lift } C \xrightarrow{(\psi, \delta)} C \otimes [C \otimes_B \Omega_{B/A}^1] E$$

where $\delta: C \rightarrow C \otimes_B \Omega_{B/A}^1$ is a derivation such that $\delta f^\#(b) = db$.

$$\text{Let } \rho_\delta \in \text{Hom}(\Omega_{C/A}^1, C \otimes_B \Omega_{B/A}^1)$$

then

$$C \otimes_B \Omega_{B/A}^1 \rightarrow \Omega_{C/A}^1 \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}_S} C \otimes_B \Omega_{B/A}^1$$

$$C \otimes db \mapsto C \cdot df^\#(b) \rightarrow C \mathcal{D}(f^\#(b)) \\ = C \otimes db$$

2) Suppose now gof is formally smooth and the sequence is split exact. We consider the lifting diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{Spec } R/I & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{Spec } C & \xrightarrow{f} & \text{Spec } B \\ \downarrow & \nearrow \eta & \nearrow t_B & \searrow & \\ \text{Spec } R & \xrightarrow{t_A} & \text{Spec } A & \xleftarrow{g} & \text{Spec } B \end{array} \quad \text{with } I^2=0$$

Since gof is formally smooth there is η lifting t_A (but not necessarily lifting t_B).

Consider the space of η lifting t_A this is a $\text{Der}_A(C, I)$ -torsor.

On rings we want to find
an A -linear derivation $\delta: C \rightarrow I$
making

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \overset{\#}{N} + \delta & \\ & \nearrow & \\ C & \xrightarrow{\quad} & R \\ \uparrow f^{\#} & \nearrow t_B^{\#} & \\ B & & \end{array}$$

commutative.

This is $N^{\#} f^{\#} - t_B^{\#} = \delta f^{\#}$ which
we can consider as elements of
 $\text{Der}_A(B, I)$

But

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Der}_A(B, I) & \leftarrow & \text{Der}_A(C, I) \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ \text{Hom}_B(\mathcal{R}'_{B/A}, I) & \leftarrow & \text{Hom}_C(\mathcal{R}'_{C/A}, I) \\ \parallel & & \swarrow \\ \text{Hom}_C(\mathcal{R}'_{B/A} \otimes C, I) & & \end{array}$$

Since $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{R}'_{B/A} \otimes C \rightarrow \mathcal{R}'_{C/A}$ is split
injective, then

$\text{Hom}_C(\mathcal{R}'_{C/A}, I) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_C(\mathcal{R}'_{B/A} \otimes C, I) \rightarrow 0$
is surjective.

Proposition Consider the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Z & \xrightarrow{i} & X \\ f \searrow & & \swarrow g \\ & S & \end{array}$$

with i a closed immersion defined

by an ideal sheaf $\mathcal{I} = \ker(i^*: \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow i_* \mathcal{O}_Z)$

and consider the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{I}/\mathcal{I}^2 \rightarrow i^* \Omega_{X/S} \rightarrow \Omega_{Z/S} \rightarrow 0$$

a) If f is formally smooth, then the above sequence is exact and locally split

b) If g is formally smooth, the sequence is exact and locally split, then f is formally smooth.

Proof WLOG $X = \text{Spec } B$, $S = \text{Spec } A$,

$$Z = \text{Spec } B/J.$$

a) we want
$$i^* \mathcal{R}_{X/S} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{r} \\ \xleftarrow{j} \end{array} \mathcal{I}_{J^2}$$

with $\text{red} = \text{id}_{\mathcal{I}_{J^2}}$. We interpret

$r \in \text{Der}_A(B, \mathcal{I}_{J^2})$. Consider the lifting problem:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} B/J & \xleftarrow{\quad} & B/J & \xleftarrow{\pi_J} & B \\ \uparrow & \swarrow u & \uparrow f^\# & \nearrow & \\ B/J^2 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & A & & \end{array}$$

Since f is smooth u exists.

This induces two A -algebra maps

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B & \xrightarrow{\pi_{J^2}} & B/J^2 \twoheadrightarrow B/J \\ & \searrow u \circ \pi_J & \\ & & \end{array}$$

then $s = \pi_{J^2} - u \circ \pi_J \in \text{Der}_A(B, \mathcal{I}_{J^2})$

the induced map is

$$f: B/\mathfrak{f} \otimes_B \mathcal{O}_{B/A} \rightarrow \mathfrak{f}/\mathfrak{f}^2$$

$$v \otimes db \mapsto v \delta(b)$$

If $b \in \mathfrak{f}$ then $f(db) = \delta(b)$

$$\approx \pi_{\mathfrak{f}^2}(b) - u \circ \pi_{\mathfrak{f}}(b)$$

$$\approx b \in \mathfrak{f}/\mathfrak{f}^2.$$

b)] Formal smoothness is about lifting

$$C = \begin{array}{ccc} R/\mathfrak{f} & \longleftarrow & B/\mathfrak{f} \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ R & \longleftarrow & A \end{array}$$

$$\text{Lift}(C) \neq \emptyset.$$

$$C = \begin{array}{ccccc} R/\mathfrak{f} & \longleftarrow & B/\mathfrak{f} & \longleftarrow & B \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & \nearrow & \\ R & \longleftarrow & A & & \end{array}$$

By smoothness of g we can lift to N .

If $N(\mathfrak{f}) = 0$, we win.

Note that $N(\mathfrak{f}) \subseteq \mathfrak{f}$ so $N(\mathfrak{f}^2) = 0$.

we consider $N + \text{Der}_A(B, I)$ the set of all possible lifts.

It suffices to find $S \in \text{Der}_A(B, I)$ with $S(j) = -N(j) \quad \forall j \in J$.

$$\text{Der}_A(B, I) \simeq \text{Hom}(\Omega'_{B/A}, I) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_B(I/J^2, I)$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{surjective} \\ \downarrow \nu_J \end{array} \right.$

$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{since the} \\ \text{sequence is} \\ \text{exact locally, split} \end{array} \right).$

Example: $S = \text{Spec } R$, $X = \mathbb{A}_S^n = \text{Spec } R[x_1, \dots, x_n] = B$
 $Z = V(I) \subseteq \mathbb{A}_S^n$, $I \subseteq R[x_1, \dots, x_n]$, R Noetherian,
 with $I = (f_1, \dots, f_m)$, $Z = \text{Spec } A = \text{Spec } B/I$

then we set

$$\bigoplus_{j=1}^n A \cdot e_j \xrightarrow{\quad \quad} \bigoplus_{i=1}^n A \cdot dx_i$$

$$\downarrow \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \simeq$$

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

\downarrow

where $\sigma(e_j) = df_j = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial x_i} dx_i$

We can think of σ as
a matrix with $\sigma_{ij} = \left(\frac{\partial f_j}{\partial x_i} \right)$

By previous proposition, Z is
finitely smooth over R if and only
if $\mathbb{I}/\mathbb{I}^2 \xrightarrow{d} A \otimes_B \Omega_{B/k}^1$ is injective
and locally split.

Given $z \in Z$ corresponding to a prime
ideal $P \subseteq A$. If $\mathbb{I}/\mathbb{I}^2 \otimes_{A_P} \xrightarrow{d} A_P \otimes_B \Omega_{B/k}^1$
is split injective then this
splitting spreads to a neighborhood.
Since \mathbb{I}/\mathbb{I}^2 is finitely presented A -module.

So the locus $Z^{\text{sm}} \subseteq Z$ where Z
is smooth over S is open.

We wish to rephrase this in terms of \mathcal{J} .

Lemma Let (A, \mathfrak{m}) be a local ring, $M: F_1 \rightarrow F_2$ a map of finite free modules. Then M is injective split $\Leftrightarrow M \otimes_A A/\mathfrak{m}$ is injective split.

Proof \Rightarrow Easy.

\Leftarrow Let $k = A/\mathfrak{m}$,
then $F_1 \otimes_A k \subseteq F_2 \otimes_A k$

we can choose a basis $\{\bar{e}_1, \dots, \bar{e}_r\}$ of $F_1 \otimes_A k$ with $r = \text{rank}(F_1 \otimes_A k)$, and

a basis $\{\bar{m}(e_1), \dots, \bar{m}(e_r), \bar{d}_{r+1}, \dots, \bar{d}_n\}$ for $(F_2 \otimes_A k)$. Since A is local

these basis lift to basis

$\{e_1, \dots, e_r\}$ and $\{m(e_1), \dots, m(e_r), d_{r+1}, \dots, d_n\}$

the map $m(e_i) \mapsto e_i$
 $d_j \mapsto 0$

defines a splitting.

Theorem (Jacobian Criterion) Fix the following diagram of schemes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Spec } A = Z & \xleftarrow{i} & A_R^n = \text{Spec } B \\ \text{Spec } B/I & \searrow f & \swarrow j \\ & \text{Spec } R & \end{array}$$

with i closed and locally of finite presentation,

fix a point $z \in Z$ f is smooth at z

iff there is $z \in U \subseteq A_R^n$ and polynomials
 $f_1, \dots, f_m \in R[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ s.t.

$z \in U = V(f_1, \dots, f_m) \cap U$ and that

$J(z) = \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j} \right) (z)$ has rank m

Proof Since $J(z): \bigoplus_{j=1}^m k(z)e_j \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^n k(z)dx_i$
is injective split we set

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 0 \rightarrow \bigoplus_{j=1}^m A \cdot e_j & \xrightarrow{J} & \bigoplus_{i=1}^n A \cdot dx_i \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \cong \\
 \mathcal{I}/\mathcal{I}^2 & \xrightarrow{J} & A \otimes_B \Omega_{B/R}^1 \rightarrow \Omega_{A/R}^1 \rightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

on a neighborhood.

(Away from the locus where the
mi-minors of $J(z)$ vanish).

This shows $\bigoplus_{j=1}^m A \cdot e_j \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{I}/\mathcal{I}^2$

and that $\mathcal{I}/\mathcal{I}^2 \xrightarrow{J} A \otimes_B \Omega_{B/R}^1$ is

injective locally split.

Conversely, if f is smooth at z and

$\bar{f}_1, \bar{f}_2, \dots, \bar{f}_m \in \mathbb{I}/\mathbb{I}^2 \otimes k(z) = \mathbb{I} \otimes_B k(z)$ are a basis then locally \mathbb{I} is generated by lifts $f_1, \dots, f_m \in \mathbb{I}$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \bigoplus_{j=1}^m A \cdot e_j & \xrightarrow{\quad \gamma \quad} & \bigoplus_{i=1}^n A \cdot dx_i \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \cong \\
 \mathbb{I}/\mathbb{I}^2 & \xrightarrow{\quad \downarrow \quad} & A \otimes_B \Omega_{B/R}^1 \rightarrow \Omega_{A/R}^1 \rightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

smoothness implies \downarrow injective
which shows $\text{rank } \gamma(z) = m$.