

## LOCAL PROPERTIES OF SCHEMES

The general philosophy here is read as: [any local property of rings naturally corresponds to a local property of schemes](#). In particular, we also concern about those pointwise properties of rings.

**Definition 1.** Let  $X$  be a scheme.

- (1)  $X$  is *reduced* if, for any affine open subset  $\text{Spec } A \subseteq X$ , the ring  $A$  is reduced; or equivalently, for each  $x \in X$ , the stalk  $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$  is a reduced ring.
- (2)  $X$  is *normal* if those  $A$ 's in (1) are all normal.
- (3)  $X$  is *locally noetherian* if those  $A$ 's in (1) are all noetherian rings.  
*Caveat. The noetherian condition is not pointwise.*
- (4)  $X$  is *regular* if those  $A$ 's in (1) are all regular rings. That is,  $X$  is locally noetherian and, for each  $x \in X$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$  is a regular ring.<sup>1</sup>
- (5)  $X$  is *Dedekind* if it is regular of  $\dim X \leq 1$ .<sup>2</sup> Or alternatively,  $X$  is locally noetherian, and each  $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$  is either a field or a discrete valuation ring.
- (6)  $X$  is *Krull* if, for any  $x \in X$ , there exists an affine open neighborhood  $\text{Spec } A \subseteq X$ , such that  $A$  is a Krull integral domain.
- (7)  $X$  is *Artinian* if,  $X$  is noetherian, and all  $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$  are Artinian local rings. Equivalently,  $X \simeq \text{Spec } A$  for some Artinian ring  $A$ . (c.f. [EGA I, §6.2].)

We give the following summary on relations between schemes with various local properties induced by those of rings.

**Proposition 2.** *We obtain the following inclusions:*

$$\begin{aligned} \{\text{Dedekind schemes}\} \subsetneq \{\text{regular schemes}\} \subsetneq \{\text{normal locally noetherian schemes}\} \\ \subsetneq \{\text{Krull schemes}\} \subsetneq \{\text{normal schemes}\}. \end{aligned}$$

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<sup>1</sup>In fact one can define similarly the *Gorenstein* schemes and the *Cohen–Macaulay* schemes.

<sup>2</sup>Some other materials may require  $\dim X = 1$ .