

# Assignment-3

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**Problem 3.1.** (UAG 5.1) A regular function on  $\mathbb{P}^1$  is constant. Deduce that there are no non-constant morphisms  $\mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^m$  for  $m \geq 1$ .

**Solution.** Suppose  $f \in k(\mathbb{P}^1)$  be a rational function, which is regular everywhere. If we restrict it to the affine piece  $\mathbb{A}_{(0)}$ , we get  $f(x, 1) = p(x) \in k[x]$  (as for the case of affine variety  $\text{dom } f = V$  iff  $f \in k[V]$ ). Similarly, we can restrict  $f$  to another affine piece  $\mathbb{A}_\infty$ . We get,  $f(1, y) = f(1/y, 1) = p(1/y) \in k[y]$ . It is possible iff  $p$  is constant.

Any morphisms  $\mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^m$  can be given by  $(f_1, \dots, f_m)$  where  $f_i$  are regular on  $\mathbb{P}^1$ . Thus the function  $f$  is constant by the previous part. ■

**Problem 3.2.** (UAG 5.7) Let  $\varphi : \mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$  be an isomorphism; identify graph of  $\varphi$  as subvariety of  $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \subset \mathbb{P}^3$ . Now do the same if  $\varphi : \mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$  is given by map  $(X, Y) \mapsto (X^2, Y^2)$ .

**Solution.** Consider the identity map  $\text{Id} : \mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$  and the given isomorphism, it will give us a map  $\text{Id} \times \varphi : \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$  by  $(x, y) \mapsto (x, \varphi(x))$ . Under the identification of  $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 = \mathbb{P}^3$  we can say,  $\text{Id} \times \varphi$  is also a morphism of variety. In the variety  $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$ , the diagonal  $\Delta = \{(x, x) : x \in \mathbb{P}^1\}$  is closed (simply because it is given by the vanishing of  $x_0 - x_2$  and  $x_1 - x_3$  where  $[x_0 : x_1]$  and  $[x_2 : x_3]$  are co-ordinates of two copies of  $\mathbb{P}^1$ ). It's not hard to see the graph of  $\varphi$  is given by the inverse image of  $\Delta$  under  $\text{Id} \times \varphi$ .

$$\Gamma(\varphi) = (\text{Id} \times \varphi)^{-1}(\Delta)$$

Since the graph is closed its inverse image will also be closed. Thus the graph is a closed set and under zariski topology any closed set is given by vanishing of some set of polynomials. This will help us to identify  $\Gamma(\varphi)$  as a subvariety of  $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$ . If  $\varphi$  is given by  $[x : y] \mapsto [f(x, y) : g(x, y)]$  then the graph can be given by the image of following vanishing set under segre embedding

$$\{[x_0 : x_1 : x_2 : x_3] : x_2 = f(x_0, x_1), x_3 = g(x_0, x_1)\}$$

If,  $\varphi$  given by  $[x, y] \mapsto [x^2 : y^2]$  the image of  $([x : y], [x^2, y^2])$  is  $[x^3 : xy^2 : yx^2 : y^3]$  (image under segre embedding). Which is rational curve  $\mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^3$ , a sub-variety of  $\mathbb{P}^3$ .

$$\Gamma(\varphi) \simeq \text{Rational curve in } \mathbb{P}^3$$