# Algebraic Geometry I

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Lecture 1: Intro

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### **Quick Motivation**

We study schemes.

These are objects that "look locally" like (Spec A, A). Examples include

- A itself
- Varieties in affine or Projective

#### 1 Presheaves and Sheaves

#### 1.1 Presheaves

Let X be a topological space.

#### Definition 1 (Presheaf)

Let C be a category. A presheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  of C on X consists of

- $\forall U \subset X$  open, an object in C  $\mathcal{F}(U)$
- $\forall V \subset U \subset X$  open, a morphism  $\rho_{U,V} : \mathcal{F}(U) \to \mathcal{F}(V)$

such that

- $\forall U \text{ open, } \rho_{U,U} \text{ is the identity on } \mathcal{F}(U)$
- Restriction maps are compatible

$$\forall W \subset V \subset U \subset X$$

open, we have  $\rho_{U,V} \circ \rho_{V,W} = \rho_{U,W}$ 

#### Remark

 ${\it Usually, C = Set, Ab, Ring, etc.}$ 

In particular, we usually assume the objects in C have elements.

#### Remark

- Elements of  $\mathcal{F}(U)$  are called sections of  $\mathcal{F}$  over U.
- $\mathcal{F}(U)$  is called the space of sections of  $\mathcal{F}$  over U
- Elements of  $\mathcal{F}(X)$  are called global sections.
- There are alternative notations for  $\mathcal{F}(U)$ :  $\Gamma(U,F)$  or  $H_0(F)$
- The  $\rho_{UV}$  are called restriction maps, for  $s \in \mathcal{F}(U)$ , we write  $s|_{V} := \rho_{UV}(s)$  and is called restriction of s to V.

#### Example

— For any object A in C, we define the constant presheaf  $\underline{A}'$  defined by  $\underline{A}'(U) = A$  and with restriction maps the identity.

- The presheaf of continuous functions :  $C^0$ . We define  $C^0(U) := \{f : U \to \mathbb{R} | f \text{ continuous } \}$  and the restriction maps are the natural restrictions.
- More generally, if  $\pi: Y \to X$  is continuous, we can look at the presheaf of continuous sections of  $\pi$ , here

$$\mathcal{F}_{\pi}(U) := \{s : U \to Y | s \ continuous \ \pi \circ s = \mathrm{Id} \}$$

This example is universal in a certain sense

#### Remark

Define the category  $Ouv_X$  with

- objects  $U \subset X$  open subsets
- morphisms  $U \to V$  are either empty or the inclusion  $U \to V$  if  $U \subset V$ Then a presheaf of C on X is just a contravariant functor  $\operatorname{Ouv}_X^{op} \to C$

#### Definition 2 (Morphism of presheaves)

A morphism  $\phi: \mathcal{F}_1 \to \mathcal{F}_2$  of presheaves on X consists of a collection of morphisms  $\rho(U): \mathcal{F}_1(U) \to \mathcal{F}_2(U)$  which are natural.

$$\mathcal{F}_1(U) \xrightarrow{\rho(U)} \mathcal{F}_2(U) 
\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow 
\mathcal{F}_1(V) \xrightarrow{\rho(V)} \mathcal{F}_2(V)$$

#### Example

- Every morphism of objects  $A \to B$  in C yields a morphism  $\underline{A}' \to \underline{B}'$
- If  $X = \mathbb{R}^n$ , let  $C^{\infty}$  be the presheaf of smooth functions, then for every open U, there is an inclusion  $C^{\infty}(U) \to C^0(U)$  and these inclusions induce a morphism of sheaves  $C^{\infty} \to C^0$
- If  $Y_2 \xrightarrow{\pi_2} Y_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_1} X$  are continuous, we get  $\rho : \mathcal{F}_{\pi_1 \circ \pi_2} \to \mathcal{F}_{\pi_1}$  by mapping a section  $s \in \mathcal{F}_{\pi_1 \circ \pi_2}(U) \to \pi_2 \circ s$

#### Remark

There is an equivalence of categories

Presheaves of 
$$C$$
 on  $X \simeq Fun(Ouv_X^{op}, C)$ 

#### 1.2 Sheaves

#### Definition 3 (Sheaf)

Let C = Set, Ab, Ring.

A sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  of  $\mathcal{C}$  on X is a presheaf such that  $\forall U \subset X$  open and all open covers  $U = \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$ 

- $\forall \{s_i\}$  with  $s_i \in \mathcal{F}(U_i)$  and  $s_i|_{U_i \cap U_j} = s_j|_{U_i \cap U_j} \ \forall i, j \in I$ , then  $\exists s \in \mathcal{F}(U)$  such that  $s|_{U_i} = s_i$

Condition 1 is called locality and condition 2 is the gluing condition.

#### Remark

- The section s of the gluability condition is unique by the locality condition.
- If C has products, then a presheaf is called a sheaf if

$$\mathcal{F}(U) \to \prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{F}(U_i) \Rightarrow \prod_{i,j \in I} \mathcal{F}(U_i \cap U_j)$$

is an equalizer diagram Here the first map is induced by the maps  $s_i$ :  $\mathcal{F}(U) \to \mathcal{F}(U_i)$ , the two second maps are induced by, for each pair  $i, j \in I$  the restrictions  $\rho_{U_i,U_i\cap U_j}$  resp.  $\rho_{U_i,U_i\cap U_j}$ 

#### Example

- 1. If  $\mathcal{F}$  is a sheaf, let  $U\emptyset \subset X$  and  $I=\emptyset$ , then  $\mathcal{F}(\emptyset)$  contains at most one element
- 2.  $C^0$  (and  $C^{\infty}$  if  $X = \mathbb{R}^n$ ) are sheaves since  $\forall U \subset X$  open
  - Two continuous functions  $f, g: U \to \mathbb{R}$  that coincide on an open cover are equal
  - Given an open cover  $U = \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$  and  $f_i : U_i \to \mathbb{R}$ , the function  $f : U \to \mathbb{R}$  defined in the obvious way is continuous (resp. smooth) because continuity (resp. smoothness) is local.

#### Definition 4 (Morphisms of sheaves)

A morphism of sheaves  $\rho: \mathcal{F}_1 \to \mathcal{F}_2$  is a morphism of the underlying presheaves.

#### Remark

- $PSh_C(X)$  is the category of presheaves of C on X
- $Sh_C(X)$  is the category of sheaves of C on X

If C = Ab, we drop the index.

#### Remark

There is a forgetful functor  $Sh_C(X) \to PSh_C(X)$ . By definition, this functor is fully faithful

#### Recall

Let A be a commutative ring ( with 1), then  $\operatorname{Spec} A$  is the set of prime ideals of A.

The closed subsets of the Zariski topology on Spec A are of the form  $V(M) = \{p \in \operatorname{Spec} A | M \subset p\}.$ 

A basis of this topology is given by  $D(a) = \{p \in \operatorname{Spec} A | a \notin p\}$ , here  $a \in A$ 

#### Definition 5 (Natural sheaf on Spec A)

Let A be a ring and X = Spec A, then the structure sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_X$  on X is defined by

$$\mathcal{O}_X(U) = \left\{ s : U \to \coprod_{p \in \operatorname{Spec} A} A_p | s \text{ satisfies } i \text{ and } ii \right\}$$

where

- 1.  $\forall p \in U, s(p) \in A_p$
- 2.  $\forall p \in U, \exists a, b \in A \text{ and } V \subset U \text{ open with } p \in V \subset D(b) \text{ with } s(q) = \frac{a}{b} \in A_q \forall q \in V$

and  $\rho_{UV}$  are simply the (pointwise) restrictions.

#### Remark

 $\mathcal{O}_X$  is a sheaf of rings:

—  $\mathcal{O}_X(U)$  is a ring with pointwise multiplication and addition

#### Lecture 2: Stalks

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#### 1.3 Stalks

Let X be a topological space.

#### Definition 6

Let  $(I, \leq)$  be a pair where I is a set and  $\leq$  is a binary relation.

 $(I, \leq)$  is called a preorder if ll is reflexive and transitive.

 $(I, \leq)$  is called a poset if it is preordered and  $\leq$  is antisymmetric

 $(I, \leq)$  is called a directed set if it is preordered and  $\forall i, j \in I \exists k \in I$  such that  $i, j \leq k$ 

#### Example

- 1. Let  $I = \{U \subset X | U \text{ open } \}$  and  $U \leq V \iff V \subset U$ . Then I is a directed poset.
- 2. For  $x \in X$ , let

$$I_x = \{ U \subset X | U \text{ open } x \in U \}$$

This is a directed poset.

#### Definition 7

Let  $(I, \leq)$  be a directed set and C a category.

A direct system in C indexed by I is a pair  $(\{A_i\}, \{\rho_{ij}\}_{i,j \in I, i \leq j})$ . Where the  $A_i$  are objects in C, the  $\rho_{ij} : A_i \to A_j$  are morphisms in C such that

1. 
$$\rho_{ii} = \operatorname{Id}_{A_i}$$

2. 
$$\rho_{ik} = \rho_{jk} \circ \rho_{ij}$$

#### Example

If  $\mathcal{F}$  is a presheaf of C on X and  $I_X$  as in the second example above, then

$$(\{\mathcal{F}(U_i)_{U_i \in I_X}\}, \{\rho_{U_i,U_i}\})$$

is a direct system.

#### Definition 8 (direct limit)

Let  $(I, \leq)$  be a directed set, C a category.

Let  $(\{A_i\}_{i\in I}, \{\rho_{ij}\}_{i,j\in I})$  be a directed system, then the direct limit is a pair  $(\lim_{i\in I} A_i, \{\rho_i\}_{i\in I})$  where  $\lim_{i\in I} A_i$  is in C and  $\rho_i: A_i \to \lim_{i\in I} A_i$  such that

1. 
$$\rho_i \circ \rho_{ij} = \rho_i$$

2. For all objects A in C and morphisms  $f_i: A_i \to A$  such that

$$f_i \circ \rho_{ij} = f_i \forall i, j \in I, i \leq j$$

 $\exists ! f : \lim_{i \in I} A_i \to A \text{ such that } f \circ \rho_i = f_i$ 

#### Remark

The direct limit is unique up to unique isomorphism.

#### Example

Write  $(*) = (\{A_i\}_{i \in I}, \{\rho_{ij}\}_{i,j \in I, i \le j}).$ 

Let \* be a direct systement in Set.

Let  $\lim_{i \in I} A_i := A_i / \sim$  where  $a_i \simeq a_j \iff \exists k \in I, i, j \leq k$  such that  $\rho_{ik}(a_i) = \rho_{jk}(a_j)$ .

This is the direct limit of \*.

If \* is a system in Ab , let  $\lim A_i := \bigoplus A_i/N$  with  $N = \langle a_i - \rho_{ij}(a_i) \rangle$ .

The natural map  $\bigcup A_i / \sim \rightarrow \bigoplus A_i / N$  is a bijection

#### Remark

Taking the direct limits in (Ab) is exact in the following sense:

 $\forall$  directed sets I,  $\forall$  direct systems  $\{M_i\}$ ,  $\{N_i\}$ ,  $\{P_i\}$  indexed by I and for all

collections of commutative diagrams, we get

$$0 \to \lim M_i \to \lim N_i \to \lim P_i \to 0$$

#### **Definition 9**

Let C be a category with direct limits. Let  $x \in X$  be a point,  $\mathcal{F}$  a presheaf of C on X.

Then the stalk of  $\mathcal{F}$  at x is

$$\mathcal{F}_x = \lim \mathcal{F}(U)$$

where U runs over all open neighbourhoods of x.

For  $s \in \mathcal{F}(U)$ , we write  $s_x$  for the image of s in  $\mathcal{F}_x$  and call it the germ of s at x.

#### Remark

A morphism of sheaves  $\phi: \mathcal{F} \to \mathcal{G}$  induces  $\phi_x: \mathcal{F}_x \to \mathcal{G}_x \forall x \in X$ 

#### Remark

Let  $x \in X$ ,  $\mathcal{F}$  a presheaf of Set, Ab

1.  $\forall U \subset X \text{ open, } x \in U, s, t \in \mathcal{F}(U)$ 

$$s_x = t_x \iff \exists V \subset U \text{ open such that } s|_V = t|_V$$

2.  $\forall s \in \mathcal{F}_x, \exists x \in U \text{ open and } t \in \mathcal{F}(U) \text{ such that } t_x = s.$ 

#### Definition 10 (Sheafification)

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a presheaf of sets  $(\ldots)$  on X.

The sheafification of  $\mathcal{F}$  is the sheaf  $\mathcal{F}^+$  defined by

$$\mathcal{F}^+(U) = \left\{ s: U \to \coprod_{x \in U} \mathcal{F}_x | s \text{ satisfies properties 1 and 2} \right\}$$

- 1.  $\forall x \in Us(x) \in \mathcal{F}_x$
- 2.  $\forall x \in U \exists V \subset U \text{ open and } t \in \mathcal{F}(V) t_u = s(y) \forall y \in V$

#### Remark

- 1.  $\mathcal{F}^+$  is a sheaf
- 2. Sheafification is functorial.

For  $\rho: \mathcal{F} \to \mathcal{G}$  a morphism of presheaves, the collection  $\phi^+(U): \mathcal{F}^+(U) \to \mathcal{G}^+(U)$  sending  $s \to (\coprod_{x \in U} \phi_x) \circ s$ 

- 3.  $\exists$  a natural morphism  $\iota_{\mathcal{F}}: \mathcal{F} \to \mathcal{F}^+$  defined by  $\iota_F(U)(s): x \to s_x$
- 4.  $\forall s \in \mathcal{F}^+(U)$  there is an open cover  $U = \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$  and  $s_i \in \mathcal{F}(U_i)$  such that  $s|_{U_i} = \iota_{\mathcal{F}}(U_i)(s_i)$

5.  $\forall x \in X$ , the map  $\iota_{\mathcal{F},x} : \mathcal{F}_x \to \mathcal{F}_x^+$  is an isomorphism.

#### Proposition 20

 $\forall$  morphisms  $\phi: \mathcal{F} \to \mathcal{G}$  such that  $\mathcal{G}$  is a sheaf, there exists a unique morphism  $\phi^+: \mathcal{F}^+ \to \mathcal{G} \text{ such that } \phi = \phi^+ \circ \iota_{\mathcal{F}}$ 

#### Proof

Let  $U \subset X$  open, let  $s \in \mathcal{F}^+(U) \exists$  an open cover  $U = \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$  and  $s_i \in \mathcal{F}(U_i)$ such that  $\iota_{\mathcal{F}}(U_i)(s_i) = s|_{U_i}$ .

Since we want  $\phi = \phi^+ \circ \iota_{\mathcal{F}}$ , we have to set

$$\phi^+(U_i)(s|_{U_i}) = \phi(U_i)(s_i)$$

Since G is a sheaf and

$$\phi(U_i)(s_i)|_{U_i\cap U_j} = \phi(U_i\cap U_j)(s_i|_{U_i\cap U_j}) = \phi(U_j)(s_i)|_{U_i\cap U_j}$$

there exists a unique  $t \in \mathcal{G}(U)$  with  $t|_{U_i} = \phi(U_i)(s_i)$ .

For  $\phi^+$  to be a morphism, we have to set  $\phi^+(U)(s) = t$ .

We still have to check that  $\phi^+$  is compatible with restriction maps.

#### Remark

The proposition above shows that  $\hom_{Sh(X)}(\mathcal{F}^+,\mathcal{G}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \hom_{Psh(X)}(\mathcal{F},\mathcal{G})$  naturally in the presheaf and the sheaf G.

Hence  $(-)^+$  is left-adjoint to the forgetful functor  $Sh(X) \to Psh(X)$ 

#### Proposition 22

 $X = \operatorname{Spec} A \ \forall a \in A \ there \ exist \ isomorphisms \ \phi_a : A_a \to \mathcal{O}_X(D(a)) \ such \ that$  $\forall b \in A \text{ with } D(b) \subset D(a)$ 

$$A_a \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}_X(D(a))$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$A_b \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}_X(D(b))$$

Define  $\phi_a: A_a \to \mathcal{O}_X(D(a))$  by sending  $\frac{s}{a^n} \mapsto (p \to \frac{s}{a^n} \in A_p)$ .

Clearly, these make the diagram commute.

This map is injective, indeed, suppose  $\phi_a(\frac{s}{a^n}) = 0$ .

Let 
$$I = Ann(s) = \{r \in A | rs = 0\}.$$

Since  $\frac{s}{a^n} = 0 \forall p \in D(a)$ , we have  $I \not\subset p$ , hence  $V(I) \subset V(a) \implies a \in \sqrt{I}$ .

Thus there exists  $m \ge 1$  such that  $a^m s = 0$ , here  $\frac{s}{a^n} = 0$ .

To show surjectivity, let  $s \in \mathcal{O}_X(D(a))$ , by definition of  $\mathcal{O}_X$  and because  $D(h_i)$  form a basis, we find  $a_i, g_i, h_i \in A$  such that

$$D(a) = \bigcup D(h_i), D(h_i) \subset D(g_i)$$
 and  $s(q) = \frac{a_i}{g_i}$  for all  $q \in D(h_i)$ .

1. Claim 1 : Can choose  $g_i = h_i$ 

2. Claim 2 : Can choose I finite

3. Claim 3: Can choose  $a_i, h_i$  such that  $h_j a_i = h_i a_j$ .

Using these claims, since  $D(a) = \bigcup D(h_i)$ , we find  $n > 0, b_j \in A$  such that  $a^n = \sum b_j h_j$ .

Write  $c = \sum a_i b_i$ .

Then  $h_j = \sum_i a_i b_i h_j = \sum_i a_j b_i h_i = a^n a_j$ .

Thus  $\frac{c}{a^n} = \frac{\overline{a_j}}{h_j} \in A_{h_j} \implies \phi_a(\frac{c}{a^n}) = s$ .

We now prove the claims

1. We have  $D(h_i) \subset D(g_i)$  thus  $V(g_i) \subset V(h_i)$  and thus  $h_i \in \sqrt{(g_i)}$ . So there exists  $c_i \in A$  and n > 1 such that  $h_i^n = c_i g_i$ . Now, we replace  $h_i$  by  $h_i^n$  and  $a_i$  by  $a_i c_i$ . Then

$$\frac{a_i c_i}{h_i^n} = \frac{a_i}{g_i}$$

2. We have  $D(a) \subset \cup D(h_i) \iff V(\sum h_i) = \cap V(h_i) \subset V(a)$ . This is equivalent to saying that  $a \in \sqrt{\sum (h_i)}$ . Thus there exists  $n \geq 1$  such that  $a^n \in \sum_i (h_i)$ . So there exist finitely many  $b_i \in A$  such that  $a^n = \sum b_j h_j$ 

3. On  $D(h_i) \cap D(h_j) = D(h_i h_j)$ , we have

$$\phi_{h_i h_j}(\frac{a_i}{h_i}) = s|_{D(h_i h_j)} = \phi_{h_i h_j}(\frac{a_j}{h_j})$$

Thus

$$\frac{a_i}{h_i} = \frac{a_j}{h_j} \in A_{h_i h_j}$$

Thus, there exists  $N_j \geq 1$  such that  $(h_i h_j)^{N_j} (h_j a_i - h_i a_j) = 0$ . From claim 2, I is finite, so we can choose N big enough such that N works for all  $D(h_i)$ .

Now, we replace  $h_i$  by  $h_i^{N+1}$  and  $a_i$  by  $h_i^N a_i$  and we get  $h_j a_i - h_i a_j = 0 \in A$ .

#### Corollary 23

Take  $X = \operatorname{Spec} A$ , then  $\forall p \in \operatorname{Spec} A \exists isomorphisms \phi_p : A_p \to \mathcal{O}_{X,p}$  such that the appropriate diagram commutes.

#### Proof

- 1. Observe  $\lim_{a \in A \setminus p} = A_a \simeq A_p$  (check universal property)
- 2. Observe that  $\lim_{p \in D(a)} \mathcal{O}_X(D(a)) \simeq \mathcal{O}_{X,p}$

#### Lecture 3: Kernels/cokernels of sheaves

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#### 1.4 Kernels, cokernels, exactness

In this chapter, every (pre)-sheaf is a (pre)sheaf of Abelian groups.

#### Definition 11 (Subsheaf)

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a (pre)sheaf on X.

Then a sub(pre) sheaf of  $\mathcal{F}$  is a (pre) sheaf  $\mathcal{G}$  such that  $\mathcal{G}(U) \subset \mathcal{F}(U)$  for every open and the restriction maps are induced by  $\mathcal{F}$ .

#### Definition 12 (Kernel, cokernel of presheaves)

Let  $\phi: \mathcal{F} \to \mathcal{G}$  be a morphism of sheaves

- 1. The presheaf kernel of  $\phi$  is the presheaf  $\ker^{pre}(\phi)$  defined by  $\ker^{pre}(\phi)(U) = \ker(\phi(U))$
- 2. The presheaf image is defined as  $\operatorname{Im}^{pre}(\phi)(U) = \operatorname{Im}(\phi(U))$
- 3. The presheaf cokernel is  $\operatorname{coker}^{pre}(\phi)(U) = \operatorname{coker}(\phi(U))$ .

In each case, the restriction maps are induced by those in of  $\mathcal{F}$  or  $\mathcal{G}$ .

#### Lemma 24

If  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  are sheaves, then the presheaf kernel is a sheaf.

#### Proof

Let  $U \subset X$  open and  $U = \bigcup U_i$  an open cover,  $s_i \in \ker^{pre}(\phi)(U_i)$  such that  $s_i|_{U_i \cap U_j} = s_j|_{U_i \cap U_j}$ .

Since  $\mathcal{F}$  is a sheaf,  $\exists s \in \mathcal{F}(U)$  such that  $s|_{U_i} = s_i$ .

Since  $\ker^{pre}(\phi)(U_i) = \ker(\phi(U_i))$ , we have  $\phi(U_i)(s_i) = 0$ .

Thus

$$\phi(U)(s)|_{U_i} = \phi(U_i)(s|_{U_i}) = 0$$

Since  $\mathcal{G}$  is a sheaf,  $\phi(U)(s) = 0 \implies s \in \ker^{pre}(\phi)(U)$ .

#### Example

By an exercise, the image presheaf and cokernel presheaf are, in general, no sheaves, even if  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  are.

#### Definition 13 (Cokernel/image of morphisms of sheaves)

Let  $\phi: \mathcal{F} \to \mathcal{G}$  be a morphism of sheaves

1. sheaf kernel :  $\ker^{pre}(\phi)$ 

- 2. sheaf image  $(\operatorname{Im}^{pre}(\phi))^+$
- 3. sheaf cokernel  $(\operatorname{coker}^{pre}(\phi))^+$

#### Lemma 26 (cokernels are cokernels)

Let  $\phi: \mathcal{F} \to \mathcal{G}$  be a morphism of sheaves

- 1.  $\ker \phi \to \mathcal{F}$  is a categorical kernel in Sh(X)
- 2.  $\mathcal{G} \to \operatorname{coker} \phi$  is a categorical cohernel in Sh(X).

#### Proof

1. This means that for each commutative diagram with solid arrows, the dotted arrow is unique

"Insert cokernel/kernel diagram here"

This holds for every open U and so the kernel is a sheaf.

2. The appropriate diagram commutes and we use the universal property of sheafification.

#### Proposition 27

Let  $\phi: \mathcal{F} \to \mathcal{G}$  be a morphism of sheaves of abelian groups, then the following are equivalent

- 1.  $\phi$  is a monomorphism in Sh(X)
- 2.  $\ker(\phi) = 0$
- 3.  $\ker(\phi(U)) = 0$
- 4.  $\ker(\phi_x) = 0$

#### Proof

Recall  $\phi$  is a monomorphism if for every  $\psi: \mathcal{F}' \to \mathcal{F}, \phi \circ \psi = 0 \implies \psi = 0$ . The implication  $1 \implies 2$  follows by applying the monomorphism property to  $\ker \phi \to \mathcal{F} \ 2 \implies 1$  If  $\phi \circ \psi = 0$ , then  $\psi$  factors through the kernel  $\ker \phi \to \mathcal{F}$  and so  $\psi = 0$ 

- $2 \iff 3 \ Since \ \ker(\phi)(U) = \ker(\phi(U))$
- $3 \implies 4$  Follows because taking direct limits is exact.
- $4 \implies 3 \text{ Let } s \in \mathcal{F}(U) \text{ with } \phi(U)(s) = 0, \text{ then } \phi_x(s_x) = (\phi(U)(s))_x = 0.$ So  $s_x = 0 \forall x \in U \text{ and so } s = 0$

### Proposition 28

Let  $\phi: \mathcal{F} \to \mathcal{G}$  be a morphism of sheaves of abelian groups, then the following are equivalent

- 1.  $\phi$  is an epimorphism in Sh(X)
- 2.  $\operatorname{coker}(\phi) = 0$
- 3.  $\operatorname{coker}(\phi_x) = 0$

#### Proof

Recall that  $\phi$  is an epimorphism if for every  $\psi: \mathcal{G} \to \mathcal{G}', \psi \circ \phi = 0 \implies \psi = 0$ 

 $1 \implies 2$  Apply epimorphism property to  $\mathcal{G} \to \operatorname{coker}(\phi)$ 

 $2 \implies 3$  We have

$$0 = (\operatorname{coker} \phi)_x$$
$$= (\operatorname{coker}^{pre} \phi)_x = \operatorname{coker}(\phi_x)$$

 $3 \implies 1$ 

Let  $\psi: \mathcal{G} \to \mathcal{G}'$  such that  $\psi \circ \phi = 0$ , this implies that  $0 = (\psi \circ \phi)_x = \psi_x \circ \phi_x$ . Since  $\phi_x$  is an epimorphism of abelian groups, we get  $\psi_x = 0$ .

As the hom sheaf is a sheaf, we get that  $\psi = 0$ 

#### Remark

If  $\operatorname{coker}(\phi(U)) = 0 \forall U \subset X \implies \operatorname{coker}(\phi) = 0$  but the converse is not true.

#### Corollary 30

If  $\phi: \mathcal{F} \to \mathcal{G}$  is a morphism of sheaves, then the following are equivalent

- 1.  $\phi$  is an isomorphism
- 2.  $\phi(U)$  is an isomorphism  $\forall U \subset X$  open
- 3.  $\phi_x$  is an isomorphism  $\forall x \in X$

#### Proof

 $1 \implies 2$  since taking sections is a functor

 $2 \implies 3$  since taking limits is functorial

 $2 \implies 1 \text{ because } (\phi(U))^{-1} \text{ defines a morphism of sheaves}$ 

 $3 \implies 2$  Need to show surjectivity of  $\phi(U)$ .

Let  $t \in \mathcal{G}(U)$ , since  $\phi_x$  is an isomorphism  $\forall x \in U$ , we find  $s_x \in \mathcal{F}_x$  such that  $\phi_x(s_x) = t_x$ .

There exists an open neighbourhood and  $s_{V_x} \subset \mathcal{F}(V_x)$  such that  $(s_{V_x})_x = s_x$ Since

$$(\phi(V_x)(s_{V_x}))_x = t_x$$

we can choose V + x sufficiently small such that  $\phi(V_x)(s_{V_x}) = t|_{V_x}$ .

Since  $\phi(V_x \cap V_y)$  is injective and  $\phi(V_x \cap V_y)(s_{V_x}|_{V_x \cap V_y}) = t|_{V_x \cap V_y} = \phi(V_x \cap V_y)(s_{V_y}|_{V_x \cap V_y})$ , we have  $s_{V_x}|_{V_x \cap V_y} = s_{V_y}|_{V_x \cap V_y}$ .

Thus there exists  $s \in \mathcal{F}(U)$  such that  $s|_{V_x} = s_{V_x}$  and  $\phi(U)(s)|_{V_x} = t|_{V_x}$  and thus  $\phi(U)(s) = t$ .

#### Definition 14 (Exact Sequence of sheaves)

A sequence of sheaves  $\mathcal{F}_1 \xrightarrow{\phi_1} \mathcal{F}_2 \xrightarrow{\phi_2} \mathcal{F}_3$  is called exact if  $\ker \phi_2 = \operatorname{Im} \phi_1$ 

## Corollary 31

A sequence of sheaves is exact iff the associated sequence on stalks is exact for all points.