

Algebraic Geometry I

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Quick Motivation

We study schemes.

These are objects that "look locally" like $(\text{Spec } A, A)$.

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 $\rho_{U,V} : \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(V)$

such that

- $\forall U$ open, $\rho_{U,U}$ 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

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

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 $\mathcal{F}(U) : \Gamma(U, \mathcal{F})$ or $H_0(U, \mathcal{F})$
- The $\rho_{U,V}$ are called restriction maps, for $s \in \mathcal{F}(U)$, we write $s|_V := \rho_{U,V}(s)$ 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 $C^0(U) := \{f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid f \text{ continuous}\}$ and the restriction maps are the natural restrictions.
- More generally, if $\pi : Y \rightarrow X$ is continuous, we can look at the presheaf of continuous sections of π , here

$$\mathcal{F}_\pi(U) := \{s : U \rightarrow Y \mid s \text{ continuous } \pi \circ s = \text{Id}\}$$

This example is universal in a certain sense

Remark

Define the category Ouv_X with

- objects $U \subset X$ open subsets
- morphisms $U \rightarrow V$ are either empty or the inclusion $U \rightarrow V$ if $U \subset V$

Then a presheaf of C on X is just a contravariant functor $\text{Ouv}_X^{\text{op}} \rightarrow C$

Definition 2 (Morphism of presheaves)

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

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{F}_1(U) & \xrightarrow{\rho(U)} & \mathcal{F}_2(U) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{F}_1(V) & \xrightarrow{\rho(V)} & \mathcal{F}_2(V) \end{array}$$

Example

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

Remark

There is an equivalence of categories

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

1.2 Sheaves

Definition 3 (Sheaf)

Let $C = \text{Set}, \text{Ab}, \text{Ring}$.

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

- $\forall s, t \in \mathcal{F}(U)$, if $s|_{U_i} = t|_{U_i} \forall i \in I$ then $s = t$
- $\forall \{s_i\}$ 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 gluing condition is unique by the locality condition.
- If C has products, then a presheaf is called a sheaf if

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

is an equalizer diagram Here the first map is induced by the maps $s_i : \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(U_i)$, 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. $\rho_{U_j, U_i \cap U_j}$

Example

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

Definition 4 (Morphisms of sheaves)

A morphism of sheaves $\rho : \mathcal{F}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_2$ 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 $Sh_C(X) \rightarrow PSh_C(X)$.

By definition, this functor is fully faithful

Recall

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

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

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

Definition 5 (Natural sheaf on $\text{Spec } A$)

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

$$\mathcal{O}_X(U) = \left\{ s : U \rightarrow \prod_{p \in \text{Spec } A} A_p \mid s \text{ satisfies i and ii} \right\}$$

where

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

and ρ_{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