

# 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  $\pi$ , 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  $\text{Ouv}_X$  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  $C^\infty$  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  $C^\infty$  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 Spec A)**

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

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

where

1.  $\forall p \in U, s(p) \in A_p$
2.  $\forall p \in U, \exists a, b \in A$  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  $\rho_{UV}$  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  $\leq$  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  $I = \{U \subset X \mid U \text{ open}\}$  and  $U \leq V \iff V \subset U$ .

Then  $I$  is a directed poset.

2. For  $x \in X$ , let

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

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  $\rho_{ij} : A_i \rightarrow A_j$  are morphisms in  $C$  such that

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

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

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  $\lim A_i$  is in  $C$  and  $\rho_i : A_i \rightarrow \lim A_i$  such that

1.  $\rho_j \circ \rho_{ij} = \rho_i$
2. For all objects  $A$  in  $C$  and morphisms  $f_i : A_i \rightarrow A$  such that

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

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

**Remark**

The direct limit is unique up to unique isomorphism.

**Example**

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

Let  $*$  be a direct system in  $\text{Set}$ .

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  $\text{Ab}$ , 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  $(\text{Ab})$  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

$$0 \rightarrow \lim M_i \rightarrow \lim N_i \rightarrow \lim P_i \rightarrow 0$$

### 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  $\phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  induces  $\phi_x : \mathcal{F}_x \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_x \forall x \in X$

### Remark

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

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

### Definition 10 (Sheafification)

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

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

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

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

### Remark

1.  $\mathcal{F}^+$  is a sheaf
2. Sheafification is functorial.  
For  $\rho : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  a morphism of presheaves, the collection  $\rho^+(U) : \mathcal{F}^+(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}^+(U)$  sending  $s \rightarrow (\prod_{x \in U} \rho_x) \circ s$
3.  $\exists$  a natural morphism  $\iota_{\mathcal{F}} : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}^+$  defined by  $\iota_{\mathcal{F}}(U)(s) : x \rightarrow s_x$
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  $\iota_{\mathcal{F},x} : \mathcal{F}_x \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_x^+$  is an isomorphism.

**Proposition 20**

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

**Proof**

Let  $U \subset X$  open, let  $s \in \mathcal{F}^+(U) \ni$  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  $\mathcal{G}$  is a sheaf and

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

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  $\text{hom}_{Sh(X)}(\mathcal{F}^+, \mathcal{G}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{hom}_{Psh(X)}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$  naturally in the presheaf and the sheaf  $\mathcal{G}$ .

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

**Proposition 22**

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

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_a & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \mathcal{O}_X(D(a)) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ A_b & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \mathcal{O}_X(D(b)) \end{array}$$

**Proof**

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

Clearly, these make the diagram commute.

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

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

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  $m \geq 1$  such that  $a^m s = 0$ , hence  $\frac{s}{a^n} = 0$ .

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

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

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  $D(a) \subset \bigcup D(h_i) \iff V(\sum h_i) = \bigcap V(h_i) \subset V(a)$ .

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  $h_j a_i - h_i a_j = 0 \in A$ .  $\square$

### Corollary 23

Take  $X = \text{Spec } A$ , then  $\forall p \in \text{Spec } A \exists$  isomorphisms  $\phi_p : A_p \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X,p}$  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  $\phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  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  $\text{Im}^{pre}(\phi)(U) = \text{Im}(\phi(U))$
3. The presheaf cokernel is  $\text{coker}^{pre}(\phi)(U) = \text{coker}(\phi(U))$ .

In each case, the restriction maps are induced by those in  $\mathcal{F}$  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,  $\phi(U)(s) = 0 \implies s \in \ker^{pre}(\phi)(U)$ .  $\square$

#### 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  $\phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  be a morphism of sheaves

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

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

**Lemma 26 (cokernels are cokernels)**

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

1.  $\ker \phi \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  is a categorical kernel in  $Sh(X)$
2.  $\mathcal{G} \rightarrow \text{coker } \phi$  is a categorical cokernel 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.  $\square$

**Proposition 27**

Let  $\phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  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  $\psi : \mathcal{F}' \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$ ,  $\phi \circ \psi = 0 \implies \psi = 0$ .  
The implication  $1 \implies 2$  follows by applying the monomorphism property to  $\ker \phi \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$ .  $2 \implies 1$  If  $\phi \circ \psi = 0$ , then  $\psi$  factors through the kernel  $\ker \phi \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  and so  $\psi = 0$ .  
 $2 \iff 3$  Since  $\ker(\phi)(U) = \ker(\phi(U))$   
 $3 \implies 4$  Follows because taking direct limits is exact.  
 $4 \implies 3$  Let  $s \in \mathcal{F}(U)$  with  $\phi(U)(s) = 0$ , then  $\phi_x(s_x) = (\phi(U)(s))_x = 0$ .  
So  $s_x = 0 \forall x \in U$  and so  $s = 0$   $\square$

**Proposition 28**

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

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

**Proof**

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

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

2  $\implies$  3 We have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (\text{coker } \phi)_x \\ &= (\text{coker}^{pre} \phi)_x = \text{coker}(\phi_x) \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

3  $\implies$  1

Let  $\psi : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}'$  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  $\text{coker}(\phi(U)) = 0 \forall U \subset X \implies \text{coker}(\phi) = 0$  but the converse is not true.

**Corollary 30**

If  $\phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  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 because  $(\phi(U))^{-1}$  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  $\phi(U)(s) = t$ .  $\square$

**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  $\ker \phi_2 = \text{Im } \phi_1$

**Corollary 31**

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

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**Corollary 32**

A sequence of sheaves is exact if and only if it is exact on all stalks.

**Proof**

If  $\ker(\phi_{2,x}) = \text{Im}(\phi_{1,x}) \forall x \in X$ , thus  $(\phi_{2,x} \circ \phi_{1,x}) = (\phi_2 \circ \phi_1)_x$ .

Thus  $\phi_2 \circ \phi_1 = 0$  because the hom sheaf is a sheaf.

Thus  $\phi_1$  factors as  $\mathcal{F}_1 \rightarrow \text{Im } \phi_1 \rightarrow \ker \phi_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_2$  as  $\psi_x$  is an isomorphism,  $\psi$  is an isomorphism.  $\square$

**Corollary 33**

Let  $\phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  be a morphism of sheaves, then  $\text{Im } \phi = \ker(\mathcal{G} \text{ to coker } \phi)$

**Corollary 34**

$Sh(X)$  is an abelian category.

**1.5 Direct and inverse image, ringed spaces****Definition 15**

Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a continuous map.

We define the direct image of  $\mathcal{F}$  by  $f$  on  $Y$  defined by

$$f_*\mathcal{F}(U) = \mathcal{F}(f^{-1}(U))$$

We can check that  $f_*\mathcal{F}$  is a sheaf with restriction maps induced by  $\mathcal{F}$ .

If  $\phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  is a morphism of sheaves on  $X$ , then the  $(f_*\phi)(X) = \phi(f^{-1}(V))\mathcal{F}(f^{-1}(V)) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(f^{-1}(V))$  define a morphism of sheaves.

Thus we get a functor  $f_* : Sh(X) \rightarrow Sh(Y)$ .

**Definition 16 (inverse image)**

Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a continuous map and let  $\mathcal{G}$  be a sheaf on  $Y$ .

The inverse image of  $\mathcal{G}$  along  $f$  is the sheafification of the presheaf

$$f^{-1,pre}(\mathcal{G})$$

defined by

$$f^{-1,pre}(\mathcal{G})(U) = \varprojlim_{f(U) \subset V} \mathcal{G}(V)$$

We can again check that if  $\phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  is a morphism of sheaves on  $Y$ , we define  $f^{-1}\phi : \varprojlim \mathcal{F}(V) \rightarrow \varprojlim \mathcal{G}(V)$  using the maps induced by  $\phi$ . Thus we get a functor  $Sh(Y) \rightarrow Sh(X)$ .

### Lemma 35

Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a continuous map,  $\mathcal{F}$  a sheaf on  $X$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  a sheaf on  $Y$ .

1.  $\forall y \in Y$  there is a natural isomorphism

$$(f_*\mathcal{F})_y \simeq \varprojlim_{y \in V \subset Y} \mathcal{F}(f^{-1}(V))$$

In particular for all  $x \in X$  there is a natural map  $(f_*\mathcal{F})_{f(x)} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_x$

2.  $\forall x \in X$  there is a natural isomorphism  $(f^{-1}\mathcal{G})_x \simeq \mathcal{G}_{f(x)}$

### Proof

The isomorphisms are immediate from the definition.

The morphism  $(f_*\mathcal{F})_{f(x)} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_x$  is given by

$$(f_*\mathcal{F})_{f(x)} = \varprojlim \mathcal{F}(f^{-1}(V)) = \varprojlim_{x \in f^{-1}(V)} \mathcal{F}(f^{-1}(V)) \rightarrow \varprojlim_{x \in U} \mathcal{F}(U) = \mathcal{F}_x \quad \square$$

### Proposition 36

If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a continuous map, then  $f_* : Sh(X) \rightarrow Sh(Y)$  is right-adjoint to  $f^{-1} : Sh(Y) \rightarrow Sh(X)$

### Corollary 37

$f^{-1} : Sh(Y) \rightarrow Sh(X)$  is exact

### Proof

Let  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_3 \rightarrow 0$  be exact in  $Sh(Y)$ .

Thus  $\forall y \in Y, 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_{1,y} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_{2,y} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_{3,y} \rightarrow 0$  is exact.

In particular it is exact at  $f(x) \forall x \in X$  and thus the associated inverse image



sequence is exact.  $\square$

### Corollary 38

$f_* : Sh(X) \rightarrow Sh(Y)$  is left-exact.

### Proof

Let  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_3 \rightarrow 0$  be exact in  $Sh(X)$ .

Recall that the section functor is left-exact, thus  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_1(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_2(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_3(U)$  is exact  $\forall U \subset X$ .

Thus  $0 \rightarrow (f_*\mathcal{F}_1)_y \rightarrow (f_*\mathcal{F}_2)_y \rightarrow (f_*\mathcal{F}_3)_y$  is exact  $\forall y \in Y$  and thus  $0 \rightarrow f_*\mathcal{F}_1 \rightarrow f_*\mathcal{F}_2 \rightarrow f_*\mathcal{F}_3$  is exact.  $\square$

### Example

$f_*$  is usually not right-exact.

Eg, if  $f : X \rightarrow \{*\}$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  is a sheaf on  $X$ , then  $(f_*\mathcal{F})(\emptyset) = 0$  and  $(f_*\mathcal{F})(\{*\}) = \mathcal{F}(X)$  and taking sections is not exact.

### Definition 17 (Ringed space)

A ringed space is a pair  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  where  $X$  is a topological space and  $\mathcal{O}_X$  is a sheaf of rings on  $X$ .

A morphism of ringed spaces  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow (Y, \mathcal{O}_Y)$  is a pair  $(f, f^\#)$  where  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a continuous map and  $f^\#$  is a morphism  $\mathcal{O}_Y \rightarrow f_*\mathcal{O}_X$ .

### Remark

Ringed spaces form a category, if  $(f, f^\#) : (X, \mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow (Y, \mathcal{O}_Y)$ ,  $(g, g^\#) : (Y, \mathcal{O}_Y) \rightarrow (Z, \mathcal{O}_Z)$  define their composition to be  $(g \circ f, g_* (f^\# \circ g^\#))$

### Example

1. For every ring  $A$ ,  $(\text{Spec } A, \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } A})$  is a ringed space.
2. For any field  $K$  and any topological space  $X$ , define a sheaf  $\text{Fun}_{X,K}(U) = \{s : U \rightarrow K\}$ .  
There is a functor  $\top \rightarrow (\text{Ringed spaces})$  sending  $X \mapsto (X, \text{Fun}_{X,K})$  where for  $f : X \rightarrow Y$   $f^\#$  is the pullback (precomposition).
3.  $(X, C_X^0)$  is a ringed space

Observe that for many of these examples of ringed spaces, the stalks  $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$  are local rings.

### Definition 18 (Morphism of local rings)

A morphism of local rings  $\phi : A \rightarrow B$  with maximal ideals  $m_A$  and  $m_B$  is called local if  $m_A = \phi^{-1}(m_B)$

### Example

1. For all ring homomorphism  $\phi : A \rightarrow B$  and all  $q \in \text{Spec } B$  the induced map  $A_{\phi^{-1}(q)} \rightarrow B_q$  is local.
2. A ring homomorphism  $\phi : A \rightarrow K$  from a local ring  $A$  to a field iff  $m_A = \ker \phi$

### Definition 19 (Locally ringed space)

A locally ringed space is a ringed space  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  such that  $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$  is local  $\forall x \in X$ .

A morphism of locally ringed spaces  $(f, f^\#) : (X, \mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow (Y, \mathcal{O}_Y)$  is a morphism of ringed spaces such that

$$f_x^\# : \mathcal{O}_{Y,f(x)} \xrightarrow{f_x^\#} (f_* \mathcal{O}_X)_{f(x)} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X,x}$$

is local.

### Remark

The category of locally ringed spaces is a subcategory of the category of ringed spaces

### Definition 20 (Affine Scheme)

An affine scheme is a locally ringed space  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  such that  $X = \text{Spec } A$  and  $\mathcal{O}_X$  is the structure sheaf.

### Definition 21 (Scheme)

A scheme is a locally ringed space  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  such that there exists an open cover  $X = \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$  such that each  $(U_i, \mathcal{O}_X|_{U_i})$  is an affine scheme.

A morphism of schemes is a morphism of the underlying ringed spaces.

### Example

1. If  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is a scheme and  $U \subset X$  is open, then  $(U, \mathcal{O}_X|_U)$  is not necessarily a scheme (even if  $X$  is affine).
2. If  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is a scheme and  $X = \{*\}$ , then  $X$  is affine.  
Then  $\text{Spec } A = \{*\}$  iff every  $a \in A$  is either a unit or nilpotent.

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### Remark

By abuse of notation, we write  $X$  is a scheme with  $\mathcal{O}_X$  implicit.

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**Lemma 46**

Let  $X$  be a topological space with basis for the topology  $\{v_i\}_{i \in I}$ .

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  be sheaves on  $X$ .

For any collection of morphisms  $\phi_i : \mathcal{F}(V_i) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(V_i)$  such that  $\rho_{ij} \circ \phi_i = \phi_j$ , then  $\exists! \phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  which restricts to  $\phi_i$  on the  $V_i$ .

**Proposition 47**

Let  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  be a locally ringed space and  $A$  a ring, then the map  $\text{hom}((X, \mathcal{O}_X), (\text{Spec } A, \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } A})) \rightarrow \text{hom}(A, \mathcal{O}_X(X))$  which maps  $(f, f^\#) \rightarrow f^\#(\text{Spec } A)$  is a natural bijection.

In particular, for all locally ringed spaces  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ , there is a natural affinization morphism  $\text{aff}_X : X \rightarrow \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_X(X)$

**Corollary 48**

Every morphism of locally ringed spaces  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$  factors uniquely through  $\text{aff}_X$ .

**Corollary 49**

A locally ringed space is an affine scheme iff the affinization is an isomorphism.

**Corollary 50**

The functor

$$(\text{affSch}) \rightarrow (\text{Ring})^{\text{op}}$$

mapping  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(X)$  is an equivalence of categories.

**Proof**

Fully faithful is the proposition above.

Essential surjectiveness is immediate as for any ring, we can look at  $(\text{Spec } A, \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } A})$  as  $\mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } A}(\text{Spec } A) = A$ .  $\square$

We now prove the statement

**Proof**

We use that there exists a natural isomorphism  $\mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } A}(D(a)) \simeq A_a$ .

Naturality follows from functoriality of  $f^\#(-)$ .

We have to construct an inverse, let  $\phi : A \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(X)$  be a ring homomorphism, we need to define  $(f, f^\#) : (X, \mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow (\text{Spec } A, \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } A})$ .

We map  $x \mapsto \ker(A \xrightarrow{\phi} \mathcal{O}_X(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X,x}/m_x)$ .

We claim that  $f$  is continuous.

It suffices to show that  $X_{\phi(a)} = f^{-1}(D(a)) = \{x \in X \mid \phi(a)_x \notin m_x\} \subset X$  is open.

Take  $x \in X_{\phi(a)}$ , then  $\phi(a)_x \notin m_x \implies \phi(a)_x \in \mathcal{O}_{X,x}^\times$ .

Thus  $\exists x \in V \subset X$  and  $b \in \mathcal{O}_X(V)$  such that  $\phi(a)|_V b = 1 \in \mathcal{O}_X(V)$ .

Thus  $\phi(a)_y b_y = 1 \forall y \in V \implies \phi(a)_y \notin m_y \implies V \subset X_{\phi(a)} \implies X_{\phi(a)}$  is open.

To define  $f^\sharp$ , observe that  $\forall a \in A, \phi(a)|_{X_{\phi(a)}} \in \mathcal{O}_X(X_{\phi(a)})$  is a unit in every stalk, hence a unit.

Thus there is a unique morphism such that  $A \xrightarrow{\phi} \mathcal{O}_X(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(X_{\phi(a)}) = A \rightarrow A_a \xrightarrow{\exists! f^\sharp(D(a))} \mathcal{O}_X(X_{\phi(a)})$  so we get a morphism  $f^\sharp : \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } A} \rightarrow f_* \mathcal{O}_X$ .

We still have to show that this map is a morphism of locally ringed spaces.

We claim that  $\forall x \in X$ , the map  $f_x^\sharp : A_{f(x)} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X,x}$  is a local homomorphism.

The diagram induces a commutative diagram

$$A \xrightarrow{\phi} \mathcal{O}_X(X) \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \mathcal{O}_{X,x} = A \xrightarrow{\pi_1} A_{f(x)} \xrightarrow{f_x^\sharp} \mathcal{O}_{X,x}$$

Note that  $p_1^{-1}(f_x^{\sharp,-1}(m_x)) = \pi_1^{-1} \circ \pi_2^{-1}(m_x) = f(x)$  by definition.

Thus  $f_x^{\sharp,-1}(m_x) = f(x)A_{f(x)}$ .

Now, we need to show that this construction is in fact an inverse.

By construction, if  $(f, f^\sharp)$  comes from  $\phi$ , then  $\phi = f^\sharp(\text{Spec } A)$ .

Conversely, let  $(f, f^\sharp) : X \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$  be a morphism and let  $(f', f'^\sharp) : X \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$  be associated to  $f^\sharp(\text{Spec } A)$ .

We need to show that  $(f, f^\sharp) = (f', f'^\sharp)$ .

$\forall x \in X, \exists$  a commutative diagram

$$A \xrightarrow{f^\sharp(\text{Spec } A)} \mathcal{O}_X(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X,x} = A \rightarrow A_{f(x)} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X,x}$$

As  $f_x^\sharp$  and  $f'_x{}^\sharp$  are local,  $f(x) = f'(x)$ . Now,  $\forall a \in A$ , there is a commutative diagram

$$A \xrightarrow{f^\sharp(\text{Spec } A)} \mathcal{O}_X(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(X_{f^\sharp(\text{Spec } A)}) = A \rightarrow A_a \xrightarrow{\exists! f^\sharp(D(a))} \mathcal{O}_X(X_{f^\sharp(\text{Spec } A), a})$$

□

### Example

For every locally ringed space  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ , there exists a unique morphism  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow (\text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}, \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}})$  because  $\exists! \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(X)$ .

If  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is a locally ringed space such that each  $\mathcal{O}_X(U)$  has characteristic  $p > 0$ , then  $\exists!$  morphism  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow (\text{Spec } \mathbb{F}_p, \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{F}_p})$ .

**Definition 22 (Scheme over another scheme)**

Let  $S$  be a sscheme. The category of schemes over  $S$ ,  $Sch/S$  is the category whose objects are morphisms  $X \rightarrow S$  and morphisms are commutative triangles.

**Example**

Let  $K$  be a field.

The affine  $n$ -space over  $k$  is denoted  $\mathbb{A}_k^n$  is  $\text{Spec } k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ .

If  $k$  is algebraically closed, then

$$k^n \simeq \text{Spec}_{max} k[x_1, \dots, x_n] \simeq \mathbb{A}_k^n \simeq \text{hom}_{k\text{-alg}}(k[x_1, \dots, x_n], k)$$

If  $\phi : A \rightarrow B$  is a surjective ring homomorphism, then the induced map on spectra  $\text{Spec } B \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$  is a homeomorphism onto  $V(I)$  where  $I = \ker \phi$ .

In particular, if  $I \subset K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ ,  $k = \bar{k}$  is an ideal, then  $V(I) = \{(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in k^n \mid f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = 0 \forall f \in I\}$  is the image of  $\text{Spec}_{max} k[x_1, \dots, x_n] / I \rightarrow \text{Spec}_{max} k[x_1, \dots, x_n] \simeq k^n$ .

**Example (glueing two schemes)**

If  $X_1, X_2$  are two schemes and  $U_i \subset X_i$  are open subsets,

$$(\phi, \phi^\#) : (U_1, \mathcal{O}_X|_{U_1}) \simeq (U_2, \mathcal{O}_X|_{U_2})$$

is an isomorphism.

We define the scheme  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  by glueing  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  over  $U_1$  as follows.

As a set,  $X = X_1 \amalg X_2 / \sim$  where  $x_1 \sim \phi(x_1)$ .

Note, there are natural maps  $\pi_i : X_i \rightarrow X$ .

We say that a subset  $U \subset X$  is open  $\iff \pi_i^{-1}(U) \subset X_i$  open for  $i = 1, 2$ .

We define the structure sheaf as  $\mathcal{O}_X(U) = \ker(\mathcal{O}_{X_1}(\pi_1^{-1}(U)) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{X_2}(\pi_2^{-1}(U)) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X_1}(\pi_1^{-1}(U) \cap U_1))$ .

Then  $X$  is a scheme.

**Example (Explicit example of glueing)**

Take  $X_1 = X_2 = \mathbb{A}_K^1$  and  $U_1 = U_2 = \mathbb{A}_K^1 \setminus 0$ .

Notice that  $U \simeq \text{Spec } k[x, x^{-1}]$ .

1. Taking the glueing map  $\phi = \text{Id}$ , we get a line with two origins.

2. Taking  $\phi^\#(U_2) : x \mapsto \frac{1}{x}$ , we get the projective line  $\mathbb{P}_k^1$ .

The  $k$ -rational points of this scheme are in correspondence with lines in  $k^2$ , namely

$$P_k^1(k) \simeq k^2 \setminus \{0\} /_{k^\times}.$$

## 2 Properties of schemes

### 2.1 Topological properties

#### Definition 23

A scheme  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is called

1. *connected* if  $X$  is
2. *irreducible* if  $\forall U_1, U_2$  open non empty their intersection is non-empty.
3. *quasi-compact* if  $X$  is.<sup>a</sup>
4. *quasi-separated* if  $X$  is, ie.  $\forall U_1, U_2$  open and quasi-compact, their intersection is quasi-compact.

a. All affine schemes are quasi-compact, but  $\mathbb{A}_k^\infty \setminus 0$  is not quasi-compact

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#### Remark

$\text{Spec } R \times S = \text{Spec } R \amalg \text{Spec } S$  but  $\text{Spec } \prod_i R_i \not\cong \amalg_i \text{Spec } R_i$  for infinite products

#### Lemma 56

*Affine schemes are quasi-compact and quasi-separated.*

#### Proof

Let  $X = \text{Spec } A$  be an affine scheme.

Quasi-compactness has already been proven.

If  $U \subset X$  is open and qc., then  $U = \bigcup_{i \in I_U} D(a_i)$ ,  $a_i \in A$  and  $I_U$  finite.

For  $U_1, U_2 \subset X$  qc. open, then

$$U_1 \cap U_2 = \bigcup_{i \in I_{U_1}, j \in I_{U_2}} D(a_i) \cap D(a_j) = \bigcup D(a_i a_j)$$

Check that a finite union of qc spaces is qc

□

#### Remark

Let  $X$  be a topological space, then  $\forall$  subsets  $V \subset X$  and  $U \subset X$ , then

$$U \cap V \neq \emptyset \iff U \cap \overline{V} \neq \emptyset$$

Thus  $V$  is irreducible iff its closure is.

If  $X$  is irreducible, then every non-empty open is dense.

## 2.2 Scheme-Theoretic Properties

### Definition 24 (Open Subscheme)

An open subscheme of a scheme  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is a pair  $(U, \mathcal{O}_U)$  with  $U$  open in  $X$  and  $\mathcal{O}_U := \mathcal{O}_X|_U$

If  $P$  is a property of rings, when do we say that  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  satisfies  $P$ ?

1.  $\forall U \subset X, \mathcal{O}_X(U)$  satisfies  $P$  (usually too strong)
2.  $\forall U \subset X$  open and affine,  $\mathcal{O}_X(U)$  satisfies  $P$
3.  $\exists$  an open affine cover  $U = \bigcup U_i$  such that each  $\mathcal{O}_X(U_i)$  satisfies  $P$
4.  $\forall x \in X \exists x \in U$  open affine such that  $\mathcal{O}_X(U)$  satisfies  $P$ .
5.  $\forall x \in X, \mathcal{O}_{X,x}$  satisfies  $P$ .

Observe that  $1 \implies 2 \implies 3 \iff 4$ .

### Lemma 58

For  $P = \text{"reduced ring"}$ , then all 5 are equivalent.

### Proof

From commutative algebra, we know that a ring  $A$  is reduced  $\iff A_p$  is reduced  $\forall p \in \text{Spec } A$ .

This implies that  $2 \iff 3 \iff 4 \iff 5$ .

Let's show  $2 \implies 1$ .

Let  $U \subset X$  open and  $s \in \mathcal{O}_X(U)$  such that  $s^n = 0$ , then  $s^n|_V = 0 \forall V \subset U$  affine.

Thus,  $s|_V = 0 \forall V \subset U$  open affine and as  $\mathcal{O}_X$  is a sheaf  $s = 0$ .  $\square$

### Definition 25 (Reduced Scheme)

A scheme  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is called reduced if  $\mathcal{O}_X(U)$  is reduced  $\forall U \subset X$  open.

### Definition 26

Let  $P$  be a property of rings or of open affines  $\text{Spec } A \hookrightarrow X$  of a scheme  $X$

- $P$  is called affine-local if  $\forall a_1, \dots, a_n \in A$  such  $(a_1, \dots, a_n) = A$ .  
 $A$  satisfies  $P$  every  $A_{a_i}$  satisfies  $P$
- $P$  is called stalk-local if  $A$  satisfies  $P \iff A_p$  satisfies  $P \forall p \in \text{Spec } A$ .

**Remark**

Being stalk-local is stronger than being affine local.

This is because  $A \rightarrow A_a$  induces  $(A_a)_{pA_a} \simeq A_p \forall p \in D(a)$

**Example**

1. Reduced is stalk-local
2. Normal
3. regular
4. Cohen-Macaulay

**Example**

1. Integrality is not affine-local (consider  $A = k \times k$ )
2. Factorial is not affine-local
3. Noetherian is not stalk-local (consider  $A = \prod_i \mathbb{F}_2$ )

**Lemma 62**

Being Noetherian is affine-local.

**Why do we care?**

For affine-local properties, 2 and 4 of our list are equivalent.

**Proof**

If  $A$  is noetherian, then any quotient and any localization is.

Assume  $(a_1, \dots, a_n) = A$  and  $A_{a_i}$  are Noetherian.

Let  $\phi_i : A \rightarrow A_{a_i}$  be the localization maps.

Claim :  $\forall$  ideals  $I \subset A$ ,  $I = \cap \phi_i^{-1}(\phi_i(I)A_{a_i})$ .

One inclusion is clear.

Let  $b \in \cap \phi_i^{-1}(\phi_i(I)A_{a_i})$ , thus there exists  $N > 0$  and  $b_i \in I$  such that  $b = \frac{b_i}{a_i^N} \in A_{a_i}$ .

Thus there exists an  $M > 0$  such that  $a_i^M(a_i^N b - b_i) = 0$  in  $A$ .

Set  $k = M + N$ , note that  $1 = (a_1^k, \dots, a_n^k)$ .

We can write  $1 = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i a_i^k$  for some  $c_i \in A$ .

Thus  $b = \sum c_i a_i^k b = \sum c_i a_i^M b_i \in I$ .

Let  $I_1 \subset \dots \subset I_n \subset A$  be an ascending chain of ideals in  $A$ , then we get an ascending chain of ideals  $\phi_1(I_1)A_{a_1} \subset \dots \subset \phi_n(I_n)A_{a_n}$ .

This becomes constant because  $A_{a_i}$  is noetherian and  $\exists N > 0$  such that  $\phi_i(I_k)A_{a_i} = \phi_i(I_N)A_{a_i} \forall k \geq N$   $\square$

**Lemma 63**

Let  $P$  be an affine-local property of rings. Let  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  be a scheme, then the following are equivalent.



1. Every open affine  $\text{Spec } A \hookrightarrow X$  satisfies  $P$
2.  $\exists$  an open affine cover  $X = \cup \text{Spec } A_i$  such that each  $\text{Spec } A_i \hookrightarrow X$  satisfies  $P$ .

**Proof**

1  $\implies$  2 is clear.

2  $\implies$  1.

Let  $\text{Spec } A \hookrightarrow X$  open and affine.

Write  $\text{Spec } A = \cup \text{Spec } A_{a_i}$  with  $a_i \in A$  such that  $A_{a_i} \simeq (A_i)_{b_i}$  for some  $b_i \in A_i$ .

$\text{Spec } A_i \hookrightarrow X$  satisfies  $P$ , implies  $(\text{Spec } (A_i)_{b_i}) \hookrightarrow X$  satisfies  $P$  implies  $\text{Spec } A_{a_i} \hookrightarrow X$  satisfies  $P$  implies  $\text{Spec } A \hookrightarrow X$  satisfies  $P$   $\square$

**Lemma 64**

Let  $\text{Spec } A, \text{Spec } B \subset X$  be open affines, then for every point  $x \in \text{Spec } A \cap \text{Spec } B$  there exist  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$  such that  $A_a \simeq B_b$  such that  $x \in D(a) \subset \text{Spec } A$  and  $x \in D(b) \subset \text{Spec } B$  and the isomorphism  $\text{Spec } A_a \simeq \text{Spec } B_b$  commutes with the inclusions to  $X$ .

**Proof**

$\text{Spec } A \cap \text{Spec } B \subset \text{Spec } A$  is open.

Thus, there exists  $a \in A$  with  $x \in D(a) \subset \text{Spec } A \cap \text{Spec } B$ .

We can assume wlog that  $\text{Spec } A \rightarrow X$  factors through  $\text{Spec } B$ .

Write  $\phi : B \rightarrow A$  for the induced map of rings.

Since  $\text{Spec } A \subset \text{Spec } B$  is open  $\exists b \in B$  and  $B \rightarrow A \rightarrow B_b$  is just localization of  $B$  at  $b$ .

Then  $A \rightarrow B_b$  satisfies the universal property of  $A \rightarrow A_{\phi(b)}$ .

So we get a commutative square  $B \rightarrow A \rightarrow A_{\phi(b)}$  and  $B \rightarrow B_b \rightarrow A_{\phi(b)}$  and we get an isomorphism  $B_b \simeq A_{\phi(b)}$ .  $\square$

**Definition 27**

Let  $P$  be an affine-local property of rings.

A scheme  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is called locally  $P$  if  $\mathcal{O}_X(U)$  satisfies  $P \forall U \subset X$  open affine.

**Definition 28 (Noetherian scheme)**

A scheme  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is called Noetherian if it is locally Noetherian and qc.

**Definition 29 (Integral scheme)**

A scheme  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is called integral if  $\mathcal{O}_X(U)$  is an integral domain  $\forall U \subset X$  open and non-empty.

**Lemma 65**

For a scheme  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ , the following are equivalent.

1.  $X$  is integral
2.  $X$  is reduced and irreducible.
3.  $\forall U \subset X$  open affine,  $\mathcal{O}_X(U)$  is integral.

**Proof**

1  $\implies$  3 is clear.

3  $\implies$  2.

Reduced is clear.

Let  $U_1, U_2 \subset X$  open with  $U_1 \cap U_2 = \emptyset$ .

Wlog, the  $U_i$  are affine.

Then  $\mathcal{O}_X(U_1 \cup U_2) = \mathcal{O}_X(U_1) \times \mathcal{O}_X(U_2)$ .

Thus  $\mathcal{O}_X(U_1) = 0$  or  $\mathcal{O}_X(U_2) = 0$  which implies  $U_1$  or  $U_2 = \emptyset$ .

2  $\implies$  1

Let  $U \subset X$  be open.

Assume  $\exists a, b \in \mathcal{O}_X(U)$  such that  $ab = 0$ .

Let  $U_a = \{x \in U \mid a_x \notin m_x\}$  and similarly  $U_b$ .

Note that  $U_a \cap U_b = \emptyset$  since  $\forall x \in U_a \cap U_b, a_x$  and  $b_x$  are units.

Thus  $U_a = \emptyset$  or  $U_b = \emptyset$ .

If  $U_a = \emptyset \forall \text{Spec } A \subset U \forall p \in \text{Spec } A$

$$(a|_{\text{Spec } A})_p \in pA_p$$

thus  $a|_{\text{Spec } A} \in p \forall p \in \text{Spec } A$ .

Thus  $a|_{\text{Spec } A}$  is nilpotent.

But since  $X$  is reduced,  $a|_{\text{Spec } A} = 0$ .

Covering  $U$  by affines,  $a = 0$  (as  $A$  was arbitrary). □

### 3 Open and closed subschemes and immersions

**Definition 30 (Open Subscheme)**

An open subscheme of a scheme  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is a pair  $(U, \mathcal{O}_U)$ , with  $U \subset X$  open and  $\mathcal{O}_U = \mathcal{O}_X|_U$ .

**Lemma 66**

If  $A$  is a ring and  $a \in A$ , then there is an isomorphism of locally ringed spaces  $(\text{Spec } A_a, \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } A_a}) \simeq (D(a), \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } A}|_{D(a)})$ .

In particular, open subschemes of schemes are schemes.

**Proof**

From commutative algebra, localization  $A \rightarrow A_a$  induces a homeomorphism  $\text{Spec } A_a \rightarrow D(a) \subset \text{Spec } A$ .

On sheaves, we want to give morphisms  $\mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } A}|_{D(a)}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } A_a}(f^{-1}(U))$ .

If  $s : U \rightarrow \coprod_{p \in U} A_p \rightarrow (f^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U \xrightarrow{s} \coprod_{p \in U} A_p \rightarrow \coprod_{p \in U} (A_a)_p A_a)$ , using  $A_p \simeq (A_a)_p A_a$ .  $\square$

Note that, if  $i : U \rightarrow X$  is the inclusion of an open, then  $(i, i^\#) : (U, \mathcal{O}_U) \rightarrow (X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  with

$$i^\#(V) : \mathcal{O}_X(V) \xrightarrow{\rho_{V, V \cap U}} \mathcal{O}_X(V \cap U) = i_* \mathcal{O}_U(V)$$

is a morphism of schemes.

**Remark**

If  $i : U \rightarrow X$  is an inclusion of an open, then there are in general many sheaves of rings  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $U$  such that  $\exists i^\#$  such that  $(i, i^\#) : (U, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is a morphism of schemes.

For example, if  $X = \text{Spec } k$ ,  $U = \text{Spec } k[x]_{(x)}$  then  $k \subset k[x]_{(x)}$  induces a morphism  $(f, f^\#) : U \rightarrow X$  such that  $f = \text{Id}_X$ .

**Definition 31 (Open immersion)**

An open immersion (or open embedding) is a morphism of schemes  $(f, f^\#) : (X, \mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow (Y, \mathcal{O}_Y)$  such that  $f$  is a homeomorphism onto an open subset  $U \subset Y$   $\mathcal{O}_Y|_U \simeq (f_* \mathcal{O}_X)|_U$ .

**Example**

Let  $k$  be a field and let  $\iota : \text{Spec } k \rightarrow X = \mathbb{A}^n$  be the closed point corresponding to

0.

Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{O}_X)|_{\mathrm{Spec} k}(\mathrm{Spec} k) &= (i^{-1}\mathcal{O}_X)(\mathrm{Spec} k) \\ &= \varinjlim_{0 \in U \subset \mathbb{A}^n} \mathcal{O}_X(U) = \mathcal{O}_{X,0} = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]_{(x_1, \dots, x_n)} \end{aligned}$$

But  $\mathrm{Spec} k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  has more than one point.

Thus,  $(\mathrm{Spec} k, (\mathcal{O}_X)|_{\mathrm{Spec} k})$  is not a scheme.

Observe : If  $Z \subset \mathrm{Spec} A$  is a closed subset, then  $Z = V(I)$  for some ideal  $I$ .

Then the map  $\mathrm{Spec} A/I \rightarrow \mathrm{Spec} A$  induced by the quotient map is a homeomorphism onto  $V(I)$  and this gives a scheme structure on  $Z$  (which depends on  $I$ !).

### Definition 32 (Ideal sheaves)

Let  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  be a scheme, then

1. An ideal sheaf on  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is a subsheaf  $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{O}_X$  such that  $\mathcal{I}(U) \subset \mathcal{O}_X(U)$  is an ideal for all  $U \subset X$  is open.
2. For an ideal sheaf  $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{O}_X$ , the quotient sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I}$  is the cokernel sheaf of the inclusion, namely, the sheafification of the sheaf  $U \mapsto \mathcal{O}_X(U)/\mathcal{I}(U)$ .

### Definition 33 (Closed Subscheme)

Let  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  be a scheme, then a closed subscheme of  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  consists of a subset  $Z \subset X$  and an ideal sheaf  $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{O}_X$  such that

1.  $Z = \{x \in X \mid (\mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I})_x \neq 0\}$
2.  $(Z, (\mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I})|_Z)$  is a scheme

### Remark

By 1,  $Z$  is closed, indeed, for  $1 \in (\mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I}(X))$ , we have

$$\{x \in X \mid (\mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I})_x \neq 0\} = \mathrm{Supp} 1$$

### Remark

The morphism  $\mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I} \rightarrow i_*((\mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I})|_Z)$  is an isomorphism.

If  $Z \subset X$  is a closed subscheme determined by  $\mathcal{I}$ , then  $(i, i^\#) : (Z, \mathcal{O}_Z) \rightarrow (X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  where  $i : Z \rightarrow X$  is the inclusion and  $i^\# : \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I} = i_*\mathcal{O}_Z$  is a morphism of schemes.

**Example**

Condition 2 in the definition of closed subscheme is not automatic, even if  $X$  is affine.

**Definition 34 (Closed immersion)**

A closed immersion (or closed embedding) is a morphism of schemes  $(f, f^\#) : X \rightarrow Y$  such that  $f$  is a homeomorphism onto a closed subset and  $f^\# : \mathcal{O}_Y \rightarrow f_*(\mathcal{O}_X)$  is surjective on stalks.

**Remark**

The morphism  $(i, i^\#)$  of the inclusion of closed subscheme is a closed immersion.

**Example**

If  $A$  is a ring and  $I \subset A$  is an ideal, then the morphism  $\text{Spec } A/I \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$  is a closed immersion.

Indeed, by CA, this is a homeomorphism onto  $V(I)$ .

The map  $f^\# : \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } A} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } A/I}$  is surjective because  $f^\#_p : A_p \rightarrow (A/I)_p$  is the localization of a surjective map, which is the localization of a surjective map.

From now on,  $V(I) \subset \text{Spec } A$  for the closed subscheme determined by  $I$ .

**Proposition 74**

If  $X = \text{Spec } A$  is affine, then the map  $I \rightarrow V(I)$  is a bijection between ideals of  $A$  and closed subschemes.

**Proof**

Let  $Z \subset X$  be a closed subscheme determined by  $\mathcal{I}$

□