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Recall that a sheaf of rings on a topological space  $X$  is a ring  $\mathcal{F}(U)$  for all open sets  $U \subset X$  satisfying four properties:

1. The empty set is mapped to zero.
2. The morphism  $\mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(U)$  is the identity.
3. Given  $W \subset V \subset U$  we have
4. Gluing: given sections  $s_i \in \mathcal{F}(U_i)$  which agree on overlaps (restrict to the same function on  $U_i \cap U_j$ ), there is a unique  $s \in \mathcal{F}(\cup U_i)$ .

### Example 1.1.

If  $X$  is an affine variety with the Zariski topology,  $\mathcal{O}_X$  is a sheaf of regular functions, where we recall  $\mathcal{O}_X(U)$  are the functions  $\varphi : U \rightarrow k$  that are locally a fraction.

Recall that the *stalk* of a sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  at a point  $p \in X$ , is defined as

$$\mathcal{F}_p := \left\{ (U, \varphi) \mid p \in U \text{ open}, \varphi \in \mathcal{F}(U) \right\} / \sim.$$

where  $(U, \varphi) \sim (U', \varphi')$  if there exists a  $p \in W \subset U \cap U'$  such  $\varphi, \varphi'$  restricted to  $W$  are equal.

Recall that a *local ring* is a ring with a unique maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$ . Given a prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p} \in R$ , so  $ab \in \mathfrak{p} \implies a, b \in \mathfrak{p}$ , the complement  $R \setminus \mathfrak{p}$  is closed under multiplication. So we can localize to obtain  $R_{\mathfrak{p}} = \left\{ a/s \mid s \in R \setminus \mathfrak{p}, a \in R \right\} / \sim$  where  $a'/s' \sim a/s$  iff there exists a  $t \in R \setminus \mathfrak{p}$  such that  $t(a's - as') = 0$ .

**⚠ Warning:** Note that  $R_f$  is localizing at the powers of  $f$ , whereas  $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is localizing at the *complement* of  $\mathfrak{p}$ .

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Since maximal ideals are prime, we can localize any ring  $R$  at a maximal ideal  $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ , and this will be a local ring. Why? The ideals in  $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$  biject with ideals in  $R$  contained in  $\mathfrak{m}$ . Thus all ideals in  $R_{\mathfrak{m}}$  are contained in the maximal ideal generated by  $\mathfrak{m}$ , i.e.  $\mathfrak{m}R_{\mathfrak{m}}$ .

**Lemma 1.1(?)**.

Let  $X$  be an affine variety. The stalk of the sheaf of regular functions  $\mathcal{O}_{X,p} := (\mathcal{O}_X)_p$  is isomorphic to the localization  $A(X)_{\mathfrak{m}_p}$  where  $\mathfrak{m}_p := I(\{p\})$ .