

1. **Exercise 2.10.** Let  $X$  be a topological space,  $\mathcal{F}$  a sheaf on  $X$  and let  $s, t \in \mathcal{F}(U)$  be two sections of  $\mathcal{F}$  over an open subset  $U \subseteq X$ . Show that the set of  $x \in U$  such that  $s_x = t_x$  is open in  $U$ .

Here  $s_x, t_x$  are the images of  $s, t$  in the stalk  $\mathcal{F}_x$ .

Solution: we can write

$$\mathcal{F}_x = \varinjlim_{U \ni x} \mathcal{F}(U)$$

$$= \coprod_{U \ni x} \mathcal{F}(U) / \sim$$

where  $f \in \mathcal{F}(U), g \in \mathcal{F}(V)$  satisfies  $f \sim g$  if there is an open  $W \subseteq U \cap V$  s.t.  $f|_W = g|_W$ . This means that  $s_x = t_x$  iff there is an open set  $U_x$  containing  $x$  s.t.  $s|_{U_x} = t|_{U_x}$ . Hence the set of  $x \in X$  s.t.  $s_x = t_x$  is the union of open sets  $U_x$ .

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2. Show that if  $\mathcal{O}_X$  is the structure sheaf on an affine scheme  $X = \text{Spec } A$  then  $\mathcal{O}_{X,P} \cong A_P$  for any point  $P \in \text{Spec } A$  (This is what you did in the homework).
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Solution: we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_{X,P} &= \varinjlim_{U \ni P} \mathcal{O}_X(U) \\ &= \varinjlim_{D(f) \ni P} \mathcal{O}_X(D(f)) \\ &= \varinjlim_{f \notin P} A_f \\ &\cong \coprod_{f \notin P} A_f / \sim \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P \in D(f) = X \setminus V(f) &\iff \\ f \notin P. & \\ h \mid f &\iff (f) \subseteq (h) \\ &\iff V(f) \supseteq V(h) \\ &\iff D(f) \subseteq D(h) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\frac{a}{f^n} \sim \frac{b}{g^m}$  iff  $\frac{ag^n}{f^n g^m} = \frac{bf^m}{g^m f^n}$  in  $A_{f^n g^m}$ .

Note that we have a map

$$\begin{aligned} A_f &\longrightarrow A_p \\ \frac{a}{f^n} &\longmapsto \frac{a}{f^n} \quad \forall f \notin p. \end{aligned}$$

This gives a well-def. ring map

$$\gamma: \coprod A_f / \sim \longrightarrow A_p$$

since  $\frac{a}{f^n} \sim \frac{b}{g^n}$  if they have the same image in  $A_p$ . If  $\frac{t}{s}$  repr. an elem. in  $A_p$  then  $s \notin p$  and  $\frac{t}{s}$  is in the image of  $A_s \longrightarrow A_p$ . Hence  $\gamma$  is surjective.

It is also injective since if  $\gamma(\frac{a}{f^n}) = 0$  then  $\exists s \notin p$  s.t.  $sa = 0$ . Hence

$$\frac{sa}{sf^n} = 0 \quad \text{in } A_{sf^n}$$

which means that  $\frac{a}{f^n} = 0$  in  $\coprod A_f / \sim$  since

$$\frac{a}{f^n} \sim \frac{sa}{sf^n}.$$

That is,  $\gamma: \mathcal{O}_{x,p} \xrightarrow{\cong} A_p$  is an isomorphism.

**Exercise 2.17.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  be locally ringed space.

- (a) Let  $U \subseteq X$  be an open and closed subset. Show that there exists a unique section  $e_U \in \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  such that  $e_U|_V = 1$  for all open subsets  $V$  of  $U$  and  $e_U|_V = 0$  for all open subsets  $V$  of  $X \setminus U$ . Show that  $U \mapsto e_U$  yields a bijection

$$\text{OC}(X) \leftrightarrow \text{Idem}(\Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X))$$

from the set of open and closed subsets of  $X$  to the set of idempotent elements of the ring  $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ .

Solution: we have

$$\Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \cong \Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_X) \times \Gamma(X \setminus U, \mathcal{O}_X)$$

since  $U \cap (X \setminus U) = \emptyset$ . Hence we let  $e_U$  be the element

$$(1, 0) \in \Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_X) \times \Gamma(X \setminus U, \mathcal{O}_X).$$

Since the restr. morphisms are ring morphisms, they send 1 to 1 and 0 to 0. This gives a map

$$OC(X) \longrightarrow \text{Idem}(T(X, \mathcal{O}_X)).$$

Conversely, if  $e \in T(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is idempotent then so is  $1-e$  since  $(1-e)^2 = 1 - 2e + e^2 = 1 - e$ . Note that we have  $e(1-e) = e - e^2 = 0$  and hence every elem.  $x \in T(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  may be written as

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 1 \cdot x \\ &= (1-e+e)x \\ &= (1-e)x + ex \end{aligned}$$

and this representation is unique since  $e(1-e) = 0$ .

Thus

$$T(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \cong (1-e)T(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \oplus eT(X, \mathcal{O}_X).$$

Note that  $e(ex) = ex$  and

$$(1-e)((1-e)x) = (1-e)x \quad \forall x \in T(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$$

which means that  $e$  and  $(1-e)$  are mult.

idempotents and  $(1-e)T(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  and  $eT(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  are in fact rings. Define  $U_e$  to be the open subset

$$\begin{aligned} U_e &= \{x \in X : (1-e)_x \neq 0\} \\ &= X \setminus \{x \in X : e_x = 0\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $U_e$  is open and closed.