

Q1

a) We have seen that the maximal ideals in  $\mathbb{C}[\mathbf{x}]$  correspond to points in  $\mathbb{A}$ .

That is,  $\text{max spec } (\mathbb{C}[\mathbf{x}]) = \{(x-a) \mid a \in \mathbb{C}\}$

For  $\text{max spec } (\mathbb{C}[x, \frac{1}{x}])$ , we have seen that

$$\mathbb{C}[x, \frac{1}{x}] = \frac{\mathbb{C}[x, y]}{(xy-1)} = \mathbb{C}[V] \text{ where } V = V(xy-1). \quad (\text{Example 4.16})$$

Importantly then, points in  $V$  correspond to maximal ideals of  $\mathbb{C}[V]$  which are themselves points of  $\text{max spec } (\mathbb{C}[x, \frac{1}{x}])$ .

Note  $V = \{(a, \frac{1}{a}) \in \mathbb{A}^2 \mid a \neq 0\}$ , thus the maximal ideals,

$$\mathfrak{m}_{(a, \frac{1}{a})} = (x-a, y-\frac{1}{a}).$$

For completeness, we remark that the ideal  $(x-a, y-\frac{1}{a})$  is principal since,  $xy=1$  implies

$$-xa(y-\frac{1}{a}) = -xya + x = x = x-a.$$

Therefore,

$$\text{max spec } (\mathbb{C}[x, \frac{1}{x}]) = \{(x-a) \mid a \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}\}$$

b) We then have for  $\varphi: \mathbb{A}' \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{A}' \setminus \{0\}$  via  
 $a \mapsto \frac{1}{a}$ .

$$\text{i) } \varphi^*(\frac{1}{x})(a) = \frac{1}{x}(\varphi(a)) = \frac{1}{x}(\frac{1}{a}) = a. \text{ So } \varphi^*(f) = f$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ii) } \varphi^*\left(2x^2 + \frac{2x^3+4x}{x^5}\right)(a) &= 2\varphi(a)^2 + \frac{2\varphi(a)^3 + 4\varphi(a)}{\varphi(a)^5} \\ &= \frac{2}{a^2} + \frac{\frac{2}{a^3} + \frac{4}{a}}{\frac{1}{a^5}} \\ &= \frac{2}{a^2} + 2a^2 + 4a^4. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } \varphi^*\left(2x^2 + \frac{2x^3+4x}{x^5}\right) = \frac{2}{y^2} + 2y^2 + 4y^4$$

$$\text{iii) } \varphi^*(2-x)(a) = 2 - \varphi(a) = 2 - \frac{1}{a} = \frac{2a-1}{a},$$
  
so  $\varphi^*(2-x) = \frac{2y-1}{y}$ .

Q2

a) Let  $p: A^3 \rightarrow A^2$  via  $(x, y, u) \mapsto (x, u)$ .

Note then,  $p(x, y, u) = (p_1(x, y, u), p_2(x, y, u))$

$$= (x+oy+ou, ox+oy+u)$$

is a polynomial map so  $p$  is a morphism.

Then, define  $\bar{p}: A^2 \rightarrow V$  via  $(x, u) \mapsto (x, xu, u)$   
again this is clearly a polynomial map and so a morphism

For an isomorphism we then need

$$p|_V \circ \bar{p} = \text{Id}_{A^2} \quad \& \quad \bar{p} \circ p|_V = \text{Id}_V$$

$$p|_V \circ \bar{p}(x, u) = p|_V(x, xu, u) = (x, u)$$

$$\text{and } \bar{p} \circ p|_V(x, xu, u) = \bar{p}(x, u) = (x, xu, u)$$

so we have an isomorphism

b) Note that the map  $g: V \rightarrow A^2$  s.t.  $(x, y, u) \mapsto (x, y)$   
is not bijective. Consider that  $(0, 0, u) \mapsto (0, 0)$   
for all  $u \in \mathbb{C}$ .

Importantly, if such an inverse existed then

since  $u = \frac{y}{x}$ , the point  $(0, 0)$  would have  
no defined image under an inverse map.

c) Note the set of regular functions  $\mathcal{O}_V(D(u))$   
are given by the set of polynomials so that  
 $u$  does not vanish. As well as the quotients of polynomials  
of the form

$$\frac{f(x, y, u)}{g(x, y, u)} \text{ such that } g(x, y, u) \neq 0$$

i.e.

$$\mathcal{O}_V(D(u)) = \left\{ \frac{f(x, y, u)}{g(x, y, u)} : f, g \in \mathbb{C}[x, y, u], g(x, y, 0) \neq 0 \right\}$$

Q3

Suppose that  $\bar{V} = V(I) \cup V(J)$  for  $V(I) \neq \bar{V} \neq V(J)$

That is, suppose  $\bar{V}$  is reducible.

Note  $\bar{V}$  certainly contains  $V$ . So

$$V \subseteq V(I) \cup V(J).$$

If then  $V \subseteq V(I)$  we are done since  $V(I)$  is certainly closed and so contains the closure of  $V$ .

Otherwise if  $V \subseteq V(I) \cup V(J)$  but  $V \notin V(I)$  or  $V \notin V(J)$  then, consider that

$$V(I) \cap V \subseteq V \text{ and}$$

$$V(J) \cap V \subseteq V.$$

So,

$$V = (V(I) \cap V) \cup (V(J) \cap V)$$

That is,  $V$  is the union of two varieties contradicting irreducibility of  $V$ .

Q4

$$V(y - \sin(x)) = \{(x, \sin(x)) \mid x \in \mathbb{C}\}$$

We note that in  $\mathbb{P}^2$  the variety is then

$$V(y - \sin(x)) = \{[x : \sin(x)] \mid x \in \mathbb{C}^*\}$$

That is,

$$V(y - \sin(x)) \subseteq U_x \text{ and in fact.}$$

$$V(y - \sin(x)) = \left\{ [1 : \frac{\sin(x)}{x}] \mid x \neq 0 \right\}.$$

But then, the point  $[1 : \frac{\sin(x)}{x}]$  we may place any point say  $x = \pi$  in to see that

$$[1 : \frac{\sin(\pi)}{\pi}] = [1 : 0] \text{ & } x = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ to see}$$

$$[1 : \frac{\sin(\frac{\pi}{2})}{\frac{\pi}{2}}] = [1 : \frac{2}{\pi}].$$

The closure of  $V$  is then

$$\left\{ [1 : 0] \right\} \cup \left\{ [2k+1]\pi : 2 \right\} \mid k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$$

In particular,

$$V(y - \sin(x)) = V(x-1) \cup V(x - (2k+1)\pi, y-2)$$

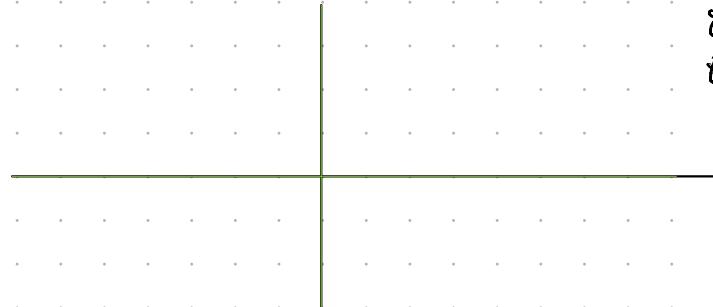
Q5

$$V_t = V(xy^2 - t)$$

Note then,

$$V_0 = V(xy^2 - 0) = V(xy^2)$$

Note  $\mathbb{R}$  is an integral domain so the variety is precisely given by the  $x$  &  $y$  axis.



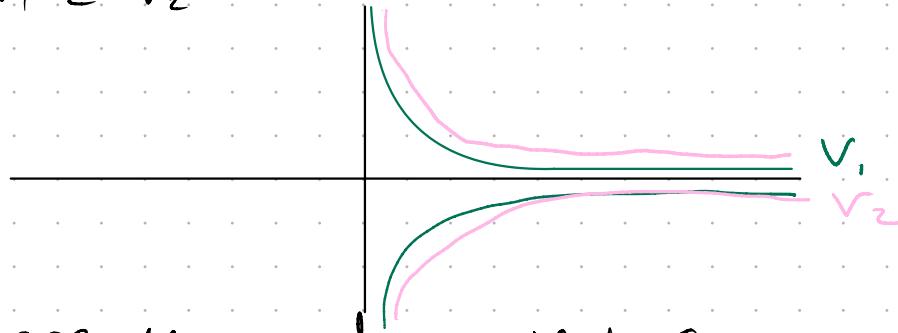
$$\text{Note that } \nabla(xy^2) = (y^2, 2xy).$$

$$\text{Then at } (0,0) \in V_0 \text{ we have } \nabla(xy^2)(0,0) = (0,0)$$

In particular,  $\ker(0,0) = \{0\} \times \mathbb{A}^1$  which has dimension 2.

However,  $V_0$  has dimension 1 since it is the zero set of one polynomial.

For  $V_1$  &  $V_2$  note



Note here the grad on  $V_1$  has,

$$\nabla(xy^2 - 1) \left(\frac{1}{b^2}, b\right) = \left(b^2, \frac{2}{b}\right).$$

Then for the kernel notice that,

$$\left(b^2, \frac{2}{b}\right)^* \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = 0 = b^2x + \frac{2y}{b} \Rightarrow y = -\frac{b^3x}{2}$$

i.e has dimension 1.

Comparing this to  $V_1$  we have that  $V(xy^2 - 1)$  is of dimension 1 since it is the variety of a single polynomial.

$$\text{For } V_2 \text{ note } \nabla(xy^2 - 2) \Big|_{\left(\frac{2}{b^2}, b\right)} = \left(b^2, \frac{4}{b}\right)$$

Evaluating  $\ker\left(\begin{pmatrix} b^2 & 4 \\ 4 & b \end{pmatrix}^*\right)$  we get

$$\begin{pmatrix} b^2 & 4 \\ 4 & b \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = xb^2 + \frac{4y}{b} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{4y}{b^3} \quad \text{i.e. 1 dimension,}$$

so,  $V_2$  is smooth.

Note then both  $V_1$  &  $V_2$  are smooth and so irreducible. But  $V_0 = V(xy^2) = V(x) \cup V(y)$