

# Commutative algebra notes

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**Lemma 1.** *Given an  $A$ -module  $M$ , the rule  $\mathcal{B} \rightarrow A\text{-modules}$ ,  $U = D(f) \mapsto M_f = M \otimes_A A_f$  is a sheaf (of  $A$ -modules) on  $\mathcal{B}$ .*

*Proof.* Lemma 1 shows this is well defined and gives the restriction mappings. It's on HW to prove the sheaf condition.  $\square$

**Definition 1.** The structure sheaf of  $\text{Spec}(A)$  is the sheaf of maps  $\mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec}(A)}$  which corresponds to the rule:

$$D(f) \mapsto A_f$$

on the basis  $\mathcal{B}$  of standard opens.

*Remark.* Similarly we have the sheaf  $\tilde{M}$  corresponding to  $D(f) \mapsto M_f$ . Observe that  $\tilde{M}$  is a sheaf of  $\mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec}(A)}$ -modules.

**Stalk of  $\mathfrak{p}$ .** Since  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis for the topological space, to compute the stalk we need only consider pairs  $(D(f), s)$  where  $\mathfrak{p} \in D(f)$  and  $s \in A_f$ , i.e.:

$$f \in A - \mathfrak{p}, s = \frac{a}{f^n}$$

Then 2 pairs  $(D(f), a/f^n)$  and  $(D(g), b/g^n)$  give the same element of the stalk iff there exists  $h \in A - \mathfrak{p}$  such that  $D(h) \subset D(f), D(h) \subset D(g)$  and  $1/f^n$  and  $1/g^n$  map to the same element of  $A_h$ . Contemplate the diagram. We conclude that we get a well-defined, injective and surjective map. In particular,  $\mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec}(A), \mathfrak{p}} = A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ .

**Lemma 2.** *The stalk of  $\mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec}(A)}$  at  $\mathfrak{p}$  is  $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ . The stalk of  $\tilde{M}$  at  $\mathfrak{p}$  is  $M_{\mathfrak{p}}$ .*

*Remark.* If  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is a locally ringed space and  $U \in X$  is open, then  $(U, \mathcal{O}_X|_U)$  is a locally ringed space. Moreover there is an inclusion morphism:

$$j : (U, \mathcal{O}_X|_U) \rightarrow (X, \mathcal{O}_X)$$

of locally ringed spaces.

$$V \subset X \quad j^\# : \mathcal{O}_X(V) \xrightarrow{\rho_{U \cap V}^V} \mathcal{O}_X|_U(j^{-1}V) = \mathcal{O}_X(U \cap V)$$

*Remark.* Open subspaces of schemes are, again, schemes. To see this, it's enough to show that  $(D(f), \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec}(A)}|_{D(f)}) = (\text{Spec}(A_f), \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec}(A_f)})$ .

## Ring maps and morphisms

Let  $A \xrightarrow{\phi} B$  be a ring map. Then:

$$\mathrm{Spec}(\phi) : \mathrm{Spec}(B) \rightarrow \mathrm{Spec}(A)$$

is a continuous map of top spaces. Moreover, if  $f \in A$  then:

$$\mathrm{Spec}(\phi)^{-1}(D(f)) = D(\phi(f))$$

**Lemma.** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a continuous map of top spaces. Let  $\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}$  be a basis for the top on  $X, Y$  respectively, both closed under intersections. Assume  $f^{-1}v \in \mathcal{B}$  for all  $V \in \mathcal{C}$ . Then given sheaves  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}$  on  $X, Y$  respectively. To give a collection of maps:

$$\phi(V) : \mathcal{G}(V) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(f^{-1}V)$$

for all  $V$  open in  $Y$  compatible with the restriction maps, is the same as giving a collection:

$$\phi(V) : \mathcal{G}(V) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(f^{-1}V)$$

for all  $V \in \mathcal{C}$  compatible with the restriction maps.

*Remark.* Such a collection of maps is called an  $f$ -map from  $\mathcal{G}$  to  $\mathcal{F}$ .

*Proof.* Given  $\phi(V)$  defined for  $V \in \mathcal{C}$  and  $W \subset Y$  open. Choose an open covering  $W = \bigcup V_i$ ,  $V_i \in \mathcal{C}$  and then define  $\phi(W)$  by:

$$\mathcal{G}(W) = \{(s_i) \in \prod \mathcal{G}(V_i) \mid \rho_{V_i \cap V_j}^{V_i}(s_i) = \rho_{V_i \cap V_j}^{V_j}(s_j)\}$$

$$\mathcal{F}(f^{-1}W) = \{(t_i) \in \prod \mathcal{F}(f^{-1}V_i) \mid \dots\}$$

□

Going back to  $A \xrightarrow{\phi} B$  we let:

$$\mathrm{Spec}(\phi) : (\mathrm{Spec}(B), \mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Spec}(B)}) \rightarrow (\mathrm{Spec}(A), \mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Spec}(A)})$$

Defined by rules:

$$\mathrm{Spec}(\phi)(\mathfrak{q}) = \phi^{-1}(\mathfrak{q}) \quad , \mathfrak{q} \in \mathrm{Spec}(B)$$

$$A_f = \mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Spec}(A)}(D(f)) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Spec}(B)}(D(\phi(f))) = B_{\phi(f)}$$

$$\frac{a}{f^n} \mapsto \frac{\phi(a)}{\phi(f)^n}$$

Morphism of ringed spaces. To check it's a morphism of schemes we need to check the induced maps:

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Spec}(A)} \cdots$$

is a local homo of local rings. This is OK as it's the map defined by  $\phi$ .

*Remark.*  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y, \phi : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  and  $f$ -map. Need to get:

$$\phi_x : \mathcal{G}_{f(x)} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_x$$

$$(V, t) \mapsto (f^{-1}V, \phi(V)(t))$$

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $A$  be a ring and  $f \in A$ . The ring map  $A \rightarrow A_f$  induces an isomorphism:*

$$(\mathrm{Spec}(A_f), \mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Spec}(A_f)}) \xrightarrow{\cong} (D(f), \mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Spec}(A)}|_{D(f)})$$

**Lemma 4.** *Let  $f : (X, \mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow (Y, \mathcal{O}_Y)$  be a morphism of locally ringed spaces. Then  $f$  is an isomorphism iff:*

(a)  $f$  is a homeomorphism

(b)  $f$  induces isomorphisms on stalks.

*Proof.* Obvious by Lemma 6. □

**Lemma 5.** *Let  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{G}$  be a map of sheaves on a topological space  $X$ . Then  $\alpha$  is an isomorphism iff  $\alpha_x : \mathcal{F}_x \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_x$  is an isomorphism for all  $x \in X$ .*

*Proof.* We will make  $\beta : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  which is inverse of  $\alpha$ . To do this it's enough if  $\alpha(U) : \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(U)$  is a bijection for all  $U$ . We first show it's injective. Suppose  $\alpha(s) = \alpha(s')$  for some  $s, s' \in \mathcal{F}(U)$ . Then  $(U, \alpha(s)), (U, \alpha(s'))$  define the same element of the stalk  $\mathcal{G}_x$  for all  $x \in U$ . By assumption this means that  $(U, s), (U, s')$  define the same element in  $\mathcal{F}_x$  for all  $x \in U$ . By definition this means that for all  $x \in U$  there exists  $U_x \subset U$  open such that  $s|_{U_x} = s'|_{U_x}$ . Then  $U = \bigcup_{x \in U} U_x$  is an open covering and the sheaf condition for  $\mathcal{F}$  shows  $s = s'$ . Surjectivity is similar. □