

# Mathematics Diary

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**1.1 12/20/2022 - When  $\Sigma(F/E)$  is the minimal free resolution of  $I/J$  over  $R$**

**Lemma 1.1.** *Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m}, \mathbb{k})$  be a local noetherian ring, let  $J \subseteq I \subseteq \mathfrak{m}$  be ideals of  $R$ . Let  $E$  be the minimal free resolution of  $R/J$  over  $R$ , let  $F$  be the minimal free resolution of  $R/I$  over  $R$ , and let  $\varphi: E \rightarrow F$  be a comparison map which lifts the canonical surjective map  $R/J \twoheadrightarrow R/I$ . Assume both  $\varphi: E \rightarrow F$  and  $\bar{\varphi}: E_{\mathbb{k}} := E \otimes_R \mathbb{k} \rightarrow F \otimes_R \mathbb{k} := F_{\mathbb{k}}$  are injective. Then  $\Sigma(F/E)$  is the minimal free resolution of  $I/J$  over  $R$ .*

*Proof.* Assume both  $\varphi: E \rightarrow F$  and  $\bar{\varphi}: E_{\mathbb{k}} := E \otimes_R \mathbb{k} \rightarrow F \otimes_R \mathbb{k} := F_{\mathbb{k}}$  are injective. Since  $\varphi: E \rightarrow F$  is injective, we have a short exact sequence of  $R$ -complexes

$$0 \longrightarrow E \xrightarrow{\varphi} F \longrightarrow F/E \longrightarrow 0 \quad (1)$$

taking homology gives us a long exact sequence

$$\begin{array}{c} \dots \longrightarrow H_{i+1}(F/E) \\ \downarrow \\ H_i(E) \longrightarrow H_i(F) \longrightarrow H_i(F/E) \\ \downarrow \\ H_{i-1}(E) \longrightarrow \dots \end{array}$$

Since  $E$  and  $F$  are resolutions we conclude that  $H_i(F/E) = 0$  for all  $i \neq 1$ . Since  $R/J \twoheadrightarrow R/I$  is surjective we conclude that  $H_1(F/E) = I/J$ . To see that  $F/E$  is free, note that tensoring the short exact sequence of graded  $R$ -modules (1) with  $\mathbb{k}$  over  $R$  gives us the long exact sequence in homology

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & & & \cdots & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{Tor}_{i+1}^R(E, \mathbb{k}) \\ & & & & & & \downarrow \\ & & & & & & \mathrm{Tor}_i^R(E, \mathbb{k}) \longrightarrow \mathrm{Tor}_i^R(F, \mathbb{k}) \longrightarrow \mathrm{Tor}_i^R(F/E, \mathbb{k}) \\ & & & & & & \downarrow \\ & & & & & & \mathrm{Tor}_{i-1}^R(E, \mathbb{k}) \longrightarrow \cdots \end{array}$$

Since  $E$  and  $F$  are free  $R$ -modules we conclude that  $\mathrm{Tor}_i(F/E, \mathbb{k}) = 0$  for all  $i \geq 1$ . Since  $\bar{\varphi}: E \otimes_R \mathbb{k} \rightarrow F \otimes_R \mathbb{k}$  is injective we conclude that  $\mathrm{Tor}_1(F/E, \mathbb{k}) = 0$ . In particular,  $F/E$  must be free. Finally,  $F/E$  is minimal since the differential  $d$  on  $F$  induces a minimal differential on  $F/E$  (i.e.  $d(F/E) \subseteq \mathfrak{m}(F/E)$ ).  $\square$

**Remark 1.** Under the assumptions of Lemma (1.1), we see that for any  $R$ -module  $M$  connecting maps

$$\mathrm{Tor}_{i+1}^R(R/I, M) \rightarrow \mathrm{Tor}_i^R(I/J, M) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathrm{Ext}_R^i(I/J, M) \rightarrow \mathrm{Ext}_R^{i+1}(R/I, M)$$

are represented by the chain maps

$$F \otimes_R M \rightarrow F/E \otimes_R M \quad \text{and} \quad \mathrm{Hom}_R^*(F/E, M) \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_R^*(F, M)$$

respectively.

**Remark 2.** Note that under the assumptions we are working with, if  $\bar{\varphi}: E_{\mathbb{k}} \rightarrow F_{\mathbb{k}}$  is injective, then already  $\varphi: E \rightarrow F$  is injective. The converse need not hold.

## 1.2 12/21/2023 - Heights of ideals

Let  $R$  be a commutative ring and let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be an ideal of  $R$ . Recall the **height** of  $\mathfrak{p}$  is defined to be the supremum of lengths of chains of primes which descend from  $\mathfrak{p}$ :

$$\mathrm{ht} \mathfrak{p} = \sup\{c \in \mathbb{N} \mid \mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{p}_0 \supset \mathfrak{p}_1 \supset \cdots \supset \mathfrak{p}_c\}.$$

When  $R$  is Noetherian, then Krull's principal ideal theorem states that there exists an ideal  $\langle x \rangle = \langle x_1, \dots, x_c \rangle \subseteq \mathfrak{p}$  where  $c = \mathrm{ht} \mathfrak{p}$  such that  $\sqrt{\langle x \rangle} = \mathfrak{p}$ , and that if  $\langle y \rangle = \langle y_1, \dots, y_m \rangle$  is another ideal such that  $\sqrt{\langle y \rangle} = \mathfrak{p}$ , then we must have  $c \leq m$ . If  $I$  is an ideal of  $R$ , then the **height** of  $I$  is defined to be the infimum of the heights of all primes which contain  $I$ :

$$\mathrm{ht} I = \inf\{\mathrm{ht} \mathfrak{p} \mid \mathfrak{p} \supseteq I\}.$$

**Lemma 1.2.** Let  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  be ideals of  $R$ . Set  $c = \mathrm{ht}(I_1 \cap I_2)$ , set  $c_1 = \mathrm{ht} I_1$ , and set  $c_2 = \mathrm{ht} I_2$ .

1. If  $I_1 \subseteq I_2$ , then  $c_1 \leq c_2$ .
2. We have  $c = \min\{c_1, c_2\}$ .

*Proof.* 1. Let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be a prime which contains  $I_2$  whose height is minimal among all heights of primes which contain  $I_2$ . Since  $I_1 \subseteq I_2$ , we see that  $I_1 \subseteq \mathfrak{p}$  also. In particular, it follows that  $c_1 \leq c_2$ .

2. Note that  $I_1 \cap I_2 \subseteq I_1$  implies  $c \leq c_1$ . Similarly,  $I_1 \cap I_2 \subseteq I_2$  implies  $c \leq c_2$ . It follows that  $c \leq \min\{c_1, c_2\}$ . Conversely, let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be a prime which contains  $I_1 \cap I_2$  whose height is minimal among all heights of primes which contain  $I_1 \cap I_2$ . Then  $\mathfrak{p} \supseteq I_1 \cap I_2$  implies either  $\mathfrak{p} \supseteq I_1$  or  $\mathfrak{p} \supseteq I_2$  since  $\mathfrak{p}$  is a prime. In particular it follows that either  $c \geq c_1$  or  $c \geq c_2$  or equivalently  $c \geq \min\{c_1, c_2\}$ .  $\square$

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**1/20/2024** -  $V(\text{Ann } M) = V(\text{Ann}(0 :_M x))$

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $R$  be a commutative ring, let  $M$  be an  $R$ -module, and let  $x \in R$ . Then*

$$V(\text{Ann}(0 :_M x)) = V(\text{Ann}(0 :_M x^2)).$$

*Proof.* Note that  $0 :_M x \subseteq 0 :_M x^2$  implies  $\text{Ann}(0 :_M x^2) \supseteq \text{Ann}(0 :_M x)$  which implies  $V(\text{Ann}(0 :_M x^2)) \subseteq V(\text{Ann}(0 :_M x))$ . For the reverse inclusion, suppose  $\mathfrak{p}$  is a prime ideal of  $R$  which contains  $\text{Ann}(0 :_M x^2)$  and let  $r \in \text{Ann}(0 :_M x)$ . We claim that  $r^2 \in \text{Ann}(0 :_M x^2)$ . Indeed, if  $u \in 0 :_M x^2$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 u = 0 &\implies xu \in 0 :_M x \\ &\implies rxu = 0 \\ &\implies ru \in 0 :_M x \\ &\implies r^2 u = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $u$  was arbitrary, we see that  $r^2 \in \text{Ann}(0 :_M x^2) \subseteq \mathfrak{p}$ . However this implies  $r \in \mathfrak{p}$  since  $\mathfrak{p}$  is a prime. Since  $r$  was arbitrary, we see that  $\text{Ann}(0 :_M x) \subseteq \mathfrak{p}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $R$  be a commutative ring and let  $M$  be a finitely generated  $R$ -module. Assume that  $x \in R$  acts nilpotently on  $M$ . Then*

$$V(\text{Ann}(M)) = V(\text{Ann}(0 :_M x)).$$

*Proof.* Since  $M$  is finitely generated, there exists an  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $M = 0 :_M x^n$ . A straightforward induction on  $(?)$  gives us

$$V(\text{Ann}(M)) = V(\text{Ann}(0 :_M x^n)) = V(\text{Ann}(0 :_M x)).$$

$\square$

## 1/21/2024 - Some subschemes of $\mathbb{P}^3$

Let  $R = \mathbb{k}[x, y, z, w]$ . We consider three cyclic  $R$ -algebras, namely  $A = R/\mathbf{f} = R/\langle f_1, f_2, f_3 \rangle$ ,  $B = R/\mathbf{g} = R/\langle g_1, g_2, g_3 \rangle$ , and  $C = R/\mathbf{h} = R/\langle h_1, h_2, h_3 \rangle$  where

$$\begin{array}{lll} f_1 = xy - zw & g_1 = xz - y^2 & h_1 = xz - y^2 \\ f_2 = xz - yw & g_2 = yw - z^2 & h_2 = x^3 - yzw \\ f_3 = xw - yz & g_3 = xw - yz & h_3 = x^2 y - z^2 w \end{array}$$

We want a geometric picture in mind when thinking of these rings, so let  $X = \text{Proj } A$ ,  $Y = \text{Proj } B$ , and  $Z = \text{Proj } C$ . First let us consider  $X$ . We can see that  $X(\mathbb{k})$  consists of 8 distinct points in  $\mathbb{P}^3(\mathbb{k})$  by calculating an irreducible primary decomposition for  $\langle \mathbf{f} \rangle$ . Indeed, an irredundant primary decomposition for  $\langle \mathbf{f} \rangle$  is given by  $\langle \mathbf{f} \rangle = \mathfrak{p}_1 \cap \cdots \cap \mathfrak{p}_8$  where

$$\begin{array}{ll} \mathfrak{p}_1 = \langle y, z, w \rangle & \mathfrak{p}_5 = \langle x + y, y + z, z + w \rangle \\ \mathfrak{p}_2 = \langle x, z, w \rangle & \mathfrak{p}_6 = \langle x + y, y - z, z + w \rangle \\ \mathfrak{p}_3 = \langle x, y, w \rangle & \mathfrak{p}_7 = \langle x + y, y - z, z - w \rangle \\ \mathfrak{p}_4 = \langle x, y, z \rangle & \mathfrak{p}_8 = \langle x - y, y - z, z - w \rangle. \end{array}$$

These primes correspond to the points

$$\begin{array}{ll} p_1 = [1 : 0 : 0 : 0] & p_5 = [-1 : 1 : -1 : 1] \\ p_2 = [0 : 1 : 0 : 0] & p_6 = [1 : -1 : -1 : 1] \\ p_3 = [0 : 0 : 1 : 0] & p_7 = [-1 : 1 : 1 : 1] \\ p_4 = [0 : 0 : 0 : 1] & p_8 = [1 : 1 : 1 : 1] \end{array}$$

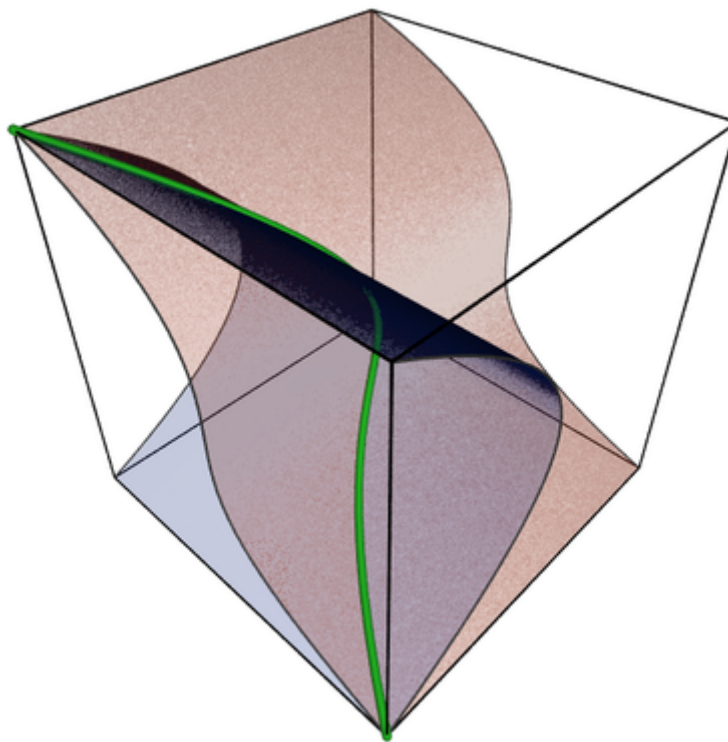
in  $\mathbb{P}^3(\mathbb{k})$ . Note that  $p_1, \dots, p_8$  are in linearly general position since the size 4 minors of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

are all nonzero. In other words, viewing  $p_1, \dots, p_8$  as vectors in  $\mathbb{k}^4$ , every subset of  $\{p_1, \dots, p_8\}$  of size 4 is linearly independent. The Betti diagram of  $A$  over  $R$  is given by

	0	1	2	3
0	1	-	-	-
1	-	3	-	-
2	-	-	3	-
2	-	-	-	1

Next we consider  $Y$ . In fact,  $Y$  is the twisted cubic. When  $\mathbb{k} = \mathbb{R}$ , we can visualize  $Y(\mathbb{k})$  as below:



In particular,  $Y(\mathbb{k})$  is the image of the map  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{k}) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^3(\mathbb{k})$  given by  $[s : t] \mapsto [s^3 : s^2t : st^2 : t^3]$ . Note that  $\langle g \rangle$  is a prime of height 2 and so  $\langle g \rangle$  can be generated up to radical by two homogeneous polynomials. In particular, we have  $\langle g \rangle = \sqrt{\langle g_1, g_4 \rangle}$  where  $g_4 = zg_2 - wg_3$ . However  $\langle g \rangle$  itself cannot be generated by only two polynomials; a minimum of three polynomials are needed. We can see this in Betti diagram of  $B$  over  $R$ :

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & - & - \\ 1 & - & 3 & 2 \end{array}$$

In particular, the Hilbert-Poincare series of  $B$  over  $R$  is given by

$$P(t) = \frac{1 - 3t^2 + 2t^3}{(1 - t)^4} = \frac{1 + 2t}{(1 - t)^2} = 1 + 4t + 7t^2 + 10t^3 + 13t^4 + \dots$$

Thus  $Y$  is the set-theoretic complete intersection of  $V(g_1)$  and  $V(g_4)$  however it is not a scheme-theoretic or ideal-theoretic complete intersection. Note also that  $\langle g \rangle$  corresponds to the ideal of size 2 minors of the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} x & y & z \\ y & z & w \end{pmatrix}$ . Up to linear automorphism, the twisted cubic is the only irreducible curve of degree 3 not contained in a plane. Furthermore, any 6 points in linearly general position in  $\mathbb{P}^3(\mathbb{k})$  lie on a unique twisted cubic. However for a twisted cubic to pass through 7 points, the seventh must lie on the twisted cubic determined by the first 6. Consequently one can show that if  $W$  is a set of 7 points in linearly general position in  $\mathbb{P}^3(\mathbb{k})$ , then there are only two distinct Betti diagrams possible for the homogeneous coordinate ring of  $W$ , namely

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & - & - & - \\ 1 & - & 3 & - & - \\ 2 & - & 1 & 6 & 3 \end{array} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{array}{c|cccc} & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \hline 0 & 1 & - & - & - \\ 1 & - & 3 & 2 & - \\ 2 & - & 3 & 6 & 3 \end{array}$$

In the first case, the points do not lie on any curve of degree 3. In the second case, the ideal  $J$  generated by the quadrics containing  $W$  is the ideal of the unique curve of degree 3 containing  $W$ , which is irreducible. Finally, let us write down the minimal free resolution of  $B$  over  $R$ :

$$R(-3)^2 \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} w & z \\ y & x \\ -z & -y \end{pmatrix}} R(-2)^3 \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} xz-y^2 & yw-z^2 & xw-yz \end{pmatrix}} R \longrightarrow 0$$

Now we consider  $Z$ . The Betti diagram of  $C$  over  $R$  is given by

	0	1	2
0	1	-	-
1	-	1	-
2	-	2	2

In particular, the Hilbert-Poincare series of  $C$  over  $R$  is given by

$$P(t) = \frac{1 - t^2 - 2t^3 + 2t^4}{(1 - t)^4} = \frac{1 + 2t + 2t^2}{(1 - t)^2} = 1 + 4t + 9t^2 + 14t^3 + 19t^4 + \dots$$

In particular,  $Z$  is an irreducible curve of degree 5 in  $\mathbb{P}^3(\mathbb{k})$ .

## 2.1 4/22/2024 - Lifting multiplication to a free module

Let  $A$  be a commutative ring and let  $B$  be a finite  $A$ -algebra. Then there exists a surjection  $F \twoheadrightarrow B$  of  $A$ -modules where  $F = A^{n+1}$  and where we assume  $n \geq 0$  is minimal. We are interested in the question as to whether one can lift the associative and unital multiplication on  $B$  to an associative and unital multiplication on  $F$ . Let  $K$  be the kernel of the map  $F \twoheadrightarrow B$ . In what follows, all tensors products are taken over  $A$ .

**Lemma 2.2.** *The kernel of the map  $F^{\otimes 2} \rightarrow B^{\otimes 2}$  is given by  $K \otimes F + F \otimes K$ .*

*Proof.* This is easily checked via a diagram chase in the diagram below which is exact everywhere and in all directions:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & & 0 & & & \\
 & & & \downarrow & & & \\
 & K^{\otimes 2} & \longrightarrow & K \otimes F & \longrightarrow & K \otimes B & \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & F \otimes K & \longrightarrow & F^{\otimes 2} & \longrightarrow & F \otimes B \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & B \otimes K & \longrightarrow & B \otimes F & \longrightarrow & B^{\otimes 2} & \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \\
 & 0 & & 0 & & 0 & 
 \end{array}$$

□

Since  $F^{\otimes 2}$  is free (hence projective), we can lift the composite map  $F^{\otimes 2} \rightarrow B^{\otimes 2} \twoheadrightarrow B$  with respect to the map  $F \twoheadrightarrow B$  to obtain an  $A$ -linear map  $\mu: F^{\otimes 2} \rightarrow F$ . Assume that  $A$  is a local noetherian ring. In this case, there exists a minimal generating set of  $B$  as an  $A$ -module of the form  $\{b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n\}$  where  $b_0 = 1$ . Let  $\varepsilon_0, \varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n$  be a basis for  $F$  as a free  $A$ -module and let  $F \twoheadrightarrow B$  be the  $A$ -linear map defined by  $\varepsilon_i \mapsto b_i$  for all  $i$ . For each  $i, j$ , we have

$$b_i b_j = \sum_k a_{ij}^k b_k$$

where the  $a_{ij}^k \in A$  need not be unique. Since the multiplication on  $B$  is unital, we can choose the  $a_{ij}^k$  such that

$$a_{j0}^k = a_{0j}^k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j = k \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Furthermore, since the multiplication on  $B$  is commutative, we can also choose the  $a_{ij}^k$  such  $a_{ij}^k = a_{ji}^k$ . With these choices of  $a_{ij}^k$  in mind, we can define a commutative and unital multiplication  $\mu$  on  $F$  which lifts the multiplication on  $B$  by

$$\varepsilon_i \varepsilon_j := \sum_k a_{ij}^k \varepsilon_k.$$

Note that this multiplication need not be associative. Indeed, since the multiplication on  $B$  is associative, we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= [b_i, b_j, b_k] \\ &= (b_i b_j) b_k - b_i (b_j b_k) \\ &= \sum_l (a_{ij}^l b_l b_k - a_{jk}^l b_i b_l) \\ &= \sum_{l,m} (a_{ij}^l a_{lk}^m - a_{jk}^l a_{il}^m) b_m. \end{aligned}$$

However this need not imply that  $\sum_l a_{ij}^l a_{lk}^m - a_{jk}^l a_{il}^m = 0$  for all  $i, j, k, m$  (which is what we'd need in order for  $[\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j, \varepsilon_k] = 0$ ).

**Example 2.1.** Let  $A = \mathbb{k}[x_1, x_2]$  and let  $B = A[e_1, e_2]/J$  where

$$J = \langle e_1^2 - x_1 e_1, e_2^2 - x_2 e_2, e_1 e_2 - x_2 e_1 - x_1 e_2, x_1 e_1 + x_2 e_2 - 1 \rangle.$$

Then  $B$  is a finite  $A$ -algebra with a minimal generating set of  $B$  as an  $A$ -module given by  $\{\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2\}$ . Furthermore, any minimal generating set of  $B$  as an  $A$ -module cannot contain 1. Now let  $F_0 = A\varepsilon_1 \oplus A\varepsilon_2$  and consider the surjective  $A$ -module homomorphism  $F_0 \twoheadrightarrow B$  given by  $\varepsilon_i \mapsto e_i$ . We can lift the multiplication on  $B$  to a multiplication on  $F_0$  by setting  $\varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 = x_1 \varepsilon_2 + x_2 \varepsilon_1$  and  $\varepsilon_i^2 = x_i \varepsilon_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . However there is no identity element in  $F_0$  with respect to this multiplication.

## 2.2 5/2/2024 - Colon ideal result

Let  $R$  be a noetherian ring, let  $I$  be an ideal of  $R$ , and let  $r, r' \in R$ . We have an  $R$ -linear map

$$\varphi: \langle I, r \rangle : r' \twoheadrightarrow (\langle I, r' \rangle : r) / (I : r)$$

defined as follows: if  $a \in \langle I, r \rangle : r'$ , then we have  $ar' = br + x$  for some  $b \in R$  and  $x \in I$ . The map is defined by sending  $a$  to the class of  $b$  in the quotient. It is straightforward to check that this is well-defined and surjective. Note if  $b \in I : r$ , then  $ar' \in I : r'$ . In particular, the kernel of  $\varphi$  is  $I : r'$ . Thus we've established an isomorphism

$$(\langle I, r \rangle : r') / (I : r') \cong (\langle I, r' \rangle : r) / (I : r). \quad (2)$$

In particular, if  $I : r' = I : r$ , then we must have  $\langle I, r \rangle : r' = \langle I, r' \rangle : r$ . Now assume that  $I : r = \mathfrak{p} = \langle I, r \rangle : r'$ . Then (2) implies

$$\mathfrak{p} / (I : r') \cong (\langle I, r' \rangle : r) / \mathfrak{p}.$$

**Example 2.2.** Let  $R = \mathbb{k}[x, y, z, w]$ , let  $I = \langle x^2, w^2, zw, xy, yz \rangle$ , let  $r = yw$ , and let  $r' = y$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} I : r &= \langle x, z, w \rangle & \langle I, r' \rangle : r &= R \\ I : r' &= \langle x, z, w^2 \rangle & \langle I, r \rangle : r' &= \langle x, z, w \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Now observe that  $\langle I : r, r' \rangle \subseteq \langle I, r' \rangle : r$ . Indeed, if  $a \in \langle I : r, r' \rangle$ , then we can express it as  $a = b + cr'$  where  $b \in I : r$  and  $c \in R$ . In particular, this means that  $ar = br + cr'r \in \langle I, r' \rangle$ , and hence  $a \in \langle I, r' \rangle : r$ .

## 2.3 5/20/2024 - Geometric description of finitely generated $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra homomorphisms

Let  $\mathbb{k}[x] = \mathbb{k}[x_1, \dots, x_m]$ , let  $\mathbb{k}[y] = \mathbb{k}[y_1, \dots, y_n]$ , and let  $\varphi: \mathbb{k}[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{k}[y]$  be a  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra homomorphism. Then the  $\varphi$  corresponds to the morphism of affine schemes  $f: \mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{k}}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{k}}^m$  given by  $f(\mathfrak{q}) = \varphi^{-1}(\mathfrak{q})$  for all  $\mathfrak{q} \in \mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{k}}^n$ . We want to give a more geometric description of how  $f$  acts on the points of  $\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{k}}^n$ , or in other words, how  $\varphi^{-1}$  acts on the prime ideals of  $\mathbb{k}[y]$ . First, note that since  $\mathbb{k}[y]$  is Jacobson, we have

$$\varphi^{-1}(\mathfrak{q}) = \varphi^{-1} \left( \bigcap_{\substack{\mathfrak{n} \supseteq \mathfrak{q} \\ \mathfrak{n} \text{ maximal}}} \mathfrak{n} \right) = \bigcap_{\substack{\mathfrak{n} \supseteq \mathfrak{q} \\ \mathfrak{n} \text{ maximal}}} \varphi^{-1}(\mathfrak{n}).$$

Thus we will focus on the case where  $\mathfrak{q} = \mathfrak{n}$  is a maximal ideal. First let's consider the maximal ideals of the form  $\mathfrak{n}_{\mathbf{q}} = \langle y_1 - q_1, \dots, y_n - q_n \rangle$  where  $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{K}}^n(\mathbb{K}) = \mathbb{K}^n$ . To this end, for each  $1 \leq i \leq n$  let  $f_i = \varphi(x_i)$ , and let  $f: \mathbb{K}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{K}^n$  be the map given by  $f(\mathbf{q}) = (f_1(\mathbf{q}), \dots, f_n(\mathbf{q}))$ . Then we claim that

$$\varphi^{-1}(\mathfrak{n}_{\mathbf{q}}) = \mathfrak{m}_{f(\mathbf{q})} = \langle x_1 - f_1(\mathbf{q}), \dots, x_n - f_n(\mathbf{q}) \rangle.$$

Indeed, observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(\mathfrak{m}_{f(\mathbf{q})}) &= \langle \varphi(x_1) - f_1(\mathbf{q}), \dots, \varphi(x_n) - f_n(\mathbf{q}) \rangle \\ &= \langle f_1 - f_1(\mathbf{q}), \dots, f_n - f_n(\mathbf{q}) \rangle \\ &\subseteq \mathfrak{n}_{\mathbf{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that  $\mathfrak{m}_{f(\mathbf{q})} \subseteq \varphi^{-1}(\mathfrak{n}_{\mathbf{q}})$ . We get the reverse inclusion from the fact that  $\mathfrak{m}_{f(\mathbf{q})}$  is a maximal ideal of  $A$ . More generally, let  $\mathfrak{n}$  be an arbitrary maximal ideal of  $\mathbb{K}[\mathbf{y}]$ . Then there exists a maximal ideal of the form  $\mathfrak{n}_{\mathbf{q}}$  of  $\overline{\mathbb{K}}[\mathbf{y}]$ , where  $\mathbf{q} \in \overline{\mathbb{K}}^n$ , which lies over  $\mathfrak{n}$ . Furthermore, there are only finitely many maximal ideals of  $\overline{\mathbb{K}}[\mathbf{y}]$  which lie over  $\mathfrak{n}$  and they all have the form  $\mathfrak{n}_{\sigma\mathbf{q}}$  for some  $\sigma \in \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{K}}/\mathbb{K})$  where  $\sigma\mathbf{q} = (\sigma q_1, \dots, \sigma q_n)$  (this follows from a general proposition in commutative algebra which we state and prove at the end of this entry below). Then we have

$$\varphi^{-1}(\mathfrak{n}) = \mathfrak{m}_{f(\mathbf{q})} \cap \mathbb{K}[\mathbf{x}] := \mathfrak{m}.$$

Note this does not depend on the choice of maximal ideal which lies over  $\mathfrak{n}$ , for if  $\mathfrak{n}_{\sigma\mathbf{q}}$  where another maximal ideal of  $\overline{\mathbb{K}}[\mathbf{y}]$  which lies over  $\mathfrak{n}$ , then  $\mathfrak{m}_{f(\sigma\mathbf{q})} = \mathfrak{m}_{\sigma f(\mathbf{q})}$  also lies over  $\mathfrak{m}$ .

**Example 2.3.** The maximal ideals  $\mathfrak{n}_{i, \zeta_8}$ ,  $\mathfrak{n}_{i, \zeta_8^5}$ ,  $\mathfrak{n}_{-i, \zeta_8^3}$ , and  $\mathfrak{n}_{-i, \zeta_8^7}$  lie over  $\mathfrak{n} = \langle y_1^2 + 1, y_2^2 + y_1 \rangle$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** *Let  $A$  be an integral domain which is integrally closed in its field of fractions  $K$ , let  $L$  be a normal extension of  $K$ , let  $B$  be the integral closure of  $A$  in  $L$ , let  $G$  be the group of automorphisms of  $L$  over  $K$ , and let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be a prime ideal of  $A$ . Then  $G$  acts transitively on the set of all primes of  $B$  which lie over  $\mathfrak{p}$ .*

*Proof.* We first consider the case where  $G$  is finite. Let  $\mathfrak{q}$  and  $\mathfrak{q}'$  be two prime ideals of  $B$  which lie over  $\mathfrak{p}$ . Then the  $\sigma\mathfrak{q}$  (where  $\sigma \in G$ ) is an ideal of  $B$  which lies over  $\mathfrak{p}$  since  $B$  is integrally closed in  $L$ , and it suffices to show that  $\mathfrak{q}'$  is contained in one of them, or equivalently, in their union by prime avoidance. Let  $y \in \mathfrak{q}'$  and let  $x = \prod \sigma y$  where the product runs over  $\sigma \in G$ . Note that  $x$  is fixed by  $G$ , thus since  $L/K$  is normal, it follows that there exists a power  $q$  of the characteristic of  $K$  such that  $x^q \in K$ . In particular,  $x^q \in K \cap B = A$  since  $A$  is integrally closed. Thus  $x^q \in \mathfrak{q}' \cap A = \mathfrak{p}$ , which shows that  $x^q$  is contained in  $\mathfrak{q}$ . It follows that there exists a  $\sigma \in G$  such that  $\sigma y \in \mathfrak{q}$ , whence  $y \in \sigma^{-1}\mathfrak{q}$ .

For the general case, assume  $\mathfrak{q}$  and  $\mathfrak{q}'$  lie over  $\mathfrak{p}$ . For every subfield  $E$  of  $L$  which is a finite normal extension over  $K$ , let  $G_E$  be the subset of  $G$  which consists of all  $\sigma \in G$  which transform  $\mathfrak{q} \cap E$  to  $\mathfrak{q}' \cap E$ . This is a closed subspace of  $G$ , hence compact since  $G$  is compact. Furthermore, each  $G_E$  is non-empty by what was shown above. As the  $G_E$  form a decreasing filtered family, their intersection is non-empty.  $\square$

## 2.4 5/21/2024 - Turning $\text{Tor}^R(M_1, M_2)$ into an $R$ -complex

Let  $R$  be a commutative ring, let  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  be  $R$ -modules, and set  $T = \text{Tor}^R(M_1, M_2)$ . We can turn  $T$  into an  $R$ -complex as follows: choose projective resolutions  $F^1$  of  $M_1$  and  $F^2$  of  $M_2$  over  $R$ . Then  $d \otimes 1: F^1 \otimes_R F^2 \rightarrow F^1 \otimes_R F^2$  is a chain map of degree  $-1$ , thus it induces a map in homology  $d \otimes 1: T \rightarrow T$ . Furthermore  $(d \otimes 1)^2 = 0$  and so  $d \otimes 1$  gives  $T$  an  $R$ -complex structure. There are maps  $\gamma_i^{31}: T_i^{31} \rightarrow T_{i-1}^{31}$  defined to be the composite

$$T_i^{31} \rightarrow T_i^{32} \rightarrow T_{i-1}^{12} \rightarrow T_{i-1}^{13} = T_{i-1}^{31}.$$

Similarly, we define  $\gamma_i^{32}: T_i^{32} \rightarrow T_{i-1}^{32}$  to be the composite

$$T_i^{32} \rightarrow T_{i-1}^{12} \rightarrow T_{i-1}^{13} \rightarrow T_{i-1}^{23} = T_{i-1}^{32},$$

and we define  $\gamma_i^{21}: T_i^{21} \rightarrow T_{i-1}^{21}$  to be the composite

$$T_i^{21} \rightarrow T_i^{31} \rightarrow T_i^{32} \rightarrow T_{i-1}^{12} = T_{i-1}^{21}$$

Actually I just realized these are all just the zero map.



## 2.5 5/29/2024 - Ext result of my paper

**Proposition 2.2.** *Let  $R$  be a regular local ring, let  $I$  be an ideal of  $R$ , let  $F$  be the minimal free resolution of  $R/I$  over  $R$ , and let  $S = S_R(F)$  be the symmetric DG algebra of  $F$  over  $R$ . There exists a surjective chain map  $\pi: S \rightarrow F$  which splits the inclusion map  $F \hookrightarrow S$ .*

*Proof.* It suffices to show that  $\text{Ext}_R^1(S/F, F) = 0$ . Note that the underlying graded  $R$ -module of  $S/F$  is just  $S^{\geq 2}$ . In particular,  $S/F$  is semi-projective, thus  $\text{Hom}_R^*(S/F, -)$  preserves quasi-isomorphisms. It follows that

$$\text{Ext}_R^1(S/F, F) = \text{Ext}_R^1(S/F, R/I) = 0,$$

where the last part follows from the fact that  $R/I$  sits in homological degree 0 but  $(S/F)_i = 0$  for all  $i \leq 1$ .  $\square$

**Remark 3.** Note that giving a surjective chain map  $\pi: S \rightarrow F$  which splits the inclusion map is equivalent to giving chain maps  $\pi^n: F^{\otimes n} \rightarrow F$  for each  $n \geq 2$  such that each  $\pi^n$  is strictly commutative and such that for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and for all  $a_1, \dots, a_{i-1}, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_n \in F_+$  we have

$$\pi^n(a_1, \dots, a_{i-1}, 1, a_i, \dots, a_n) = \pi^{n-1}(a_1, \dots, a_{i-1}, a_i, \dots, a_n).$$

For instance, if  $a_1, a_2, a_3$  are homogeneous elements in  $F$  with  $|a_1| = 1$  and  $|a_2|, |a_3| \geq 2$ , then we have

$$d\pi^3(a_1, a_2, a_3) = r_1\pi^2(a_2, a_3) - \pi^3(a_1, da_2, a_3) + \pi^3(a_1, a_2, da_3),$$

where  $r_1 = da_1$ .

## 2.6 6/15/2024 - Associated primes of $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$

Today we prove the following result:

**Proposition 2.3.** *Let  $R$  be a noetherian ring and let  $M$  and  $N$  be  $R$ -modules such that  $M$  is finitely generated. Then*

$$\text{Ass}(\text{Hom}_R(M, N)) = \text{Supp } M \cap \text{Ass } N = V(\text{Ann } M) \cap \text{Ass } N.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be an associated prime of  $\text{Hom}_R(M, N)$ . Thus there exists an  $R$ -linear map  $\varphi: M \rightarrow N$  such that  $\mathfrak{p} = 0 : \varphi = \{a \in R \mid a\varphi = 0\}$ . Let  $u_1, \dots, u_m$  be generators of  $M$  as an  $R$ -module and let  $v_1, \dots, v_m \in N$  be their respective images under  $\varphi$ . Then note that  $a\varphi = 0$  if and only if  $av_i = 0$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq m$ .

$$\begin{aligned} a \in \mathfrak{p} &\iff a\varphi = 0 \\ &\iff av_i = 0 \text{ for all } i \\ &\iff a \in \bigcap_{i=1}^m 0 : v_i. \end{aligned}$$

In particular we see that  $\mathfrak{p} = \bigcap_{i=1}^m 0 : v_i$ . Since  $\mathfrak{p}$  is prime, we see that  $\mathfrak{p} = 0 : v_i$  for some  $i$ , or in other words,  $\mathfrak{p}$  is an associated prime of  $N$ . Next, assume for a contradiction that  $M_{\mathfrak{p}} = 0$ . Then for each  $i$  there exists an  $s_i \in R \setminus \mathfrak{p}$  such that  $s_i u_i = 0$ . However this implies  $s = s_1 \cdots s_n$  is in  $\mathfrak{p}$  since  $sv_i = \varphi(su_i) = 0$  for all  $i$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore  $\mathfrak{p}$  is in the support of  $M$ . Thus far we have shown

$$\text{Ass}(\text{Hom}_R(M, N)) \subseteq \text{Supp } M \cap \text{Ass } N.$$

For the converse direction, suppose  $\mathfrak{p}$  is in the support of  $M$  and is an associated prime of  $N$ , so  $M_{\mathfrak{p}} \neq 0$  and  $\mathfrak{p} = 0 : v$  for some  $v \in N$ . Since  $M_{\mathfrak{p}} \neq 0$ , there exists an  $i$  such that  $0 : u_i \subseteq \mathfrak{p} = 0 : v$ . By reordering if necessary, we may assume that  $0 : u_1 \subseteq \mathfrak{p} = 0 : v$ . One would like to define an  $R$ -linear map  $\varphi: M \rightarrow N$  such that  $\varphi(u_1) = v$ , but it's not clear how we should define it on the  $u_i$  for all  $2 \leq i \leq m$ . Let us cut to the chase and show how one usually proves this result: we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Ass}(\text{Hom}_R(M, N)) &\iff \mathfrak{p}_{\mathfrak{p}} \in \text{Ass}(\text{Hom}_R(M, N)_{\mathfrak{p}}) \\ &\iff \mathfrak{p}_{\mathfrak{p}} \in \text{Ass}(\text{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{p}}}(M_{\mathfrak{p}}, N_{\mathfrak{p}})) \\ &\iff \text{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{p}}}(\kappa(\mathfrak{p}), \text{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{p}}}(M_{\mathfrak{p}}, N_{\mathfrak{p}})) \neq 0 \\ &\iff \text{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{p}}}(M_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}M_{\mathfrak{p}}, N_{\mathfrak{p}}) \neq 0 \\ &\iff M_{\mathfrak{p}} \neq 0 \text{ and } \text{Hom}_{R_{\mathfrak{p}}}(\kappa(\mathfrak{p}), N_{\mathfrak{p}}) \neq 0 \\ &\iff \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Supp } M \cap \text{Ass } N, \end{aligned}$$

where in the second last if and only if we used the fact that  $M_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}M_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is a finite dimensional  $\kappa(\mathfrak{p})$  (so it is a direct sum of  $\kappa(\mathfrak{p})$ 's). Note that we needed Nakayama's lemma for the statement  $M_{\mathfrak{p}} \neq 0$  if and only if  $M_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}M_{\mathfrak{p}} \neq 0$ , hence why we needed a noetherian hypothesis on  $R$ . The last equality comes from the fact that since  $M$  is finitely generated, we have  $\text{Supp } M = V(\text{Ann } M)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.** *Let  $R$  be a noetherian domain, let  $M$  be a finitely generated  $R$ -module, and let  $M^{\vee} := \text{Hom}_R(M, R)$  be the dual of  $M$ . If  $M^{\vee} \neq 0$ , then  $\text{Ass } M^{\vee} = \{0\}$ .*

**Remark 4.** Note that if  $L$  and  $M$  are finitely generated  $R$ -modules, then tensor-hom adjointness implies

$$\begin{aligned} V(\text{Ann}(L \otimes_R M)) \cap \text{Ass } N &= \text{Supp}(L \otimes_R M) \cap \text{Ass } N \\ &= \text{Ass}(\text{Hom}_R(L \otimes_R M, N)) \\ &= \text{Ass}(\text{Hom}_R(L, \text{Hom}_R(M, N))) \\ &= (\text{Supp } L) \cap (\text{Supp } M) \cap \text{Ass } N \\ &= V(\langle \text{Ann } L, \text{Ann } M \rangle) \cap \text{Ass } N \end{aligned}$$

for all  $R$ -modules  $N$ . In particular, we have

$$V(\text{Ann}(L \otimes_R M)) = V(\text{Ann } L) \cap V(\text{Ann } M) = V(\langle \text{Ann } L, \text{Ann } M \rangle).$$

## 2.7 6/25/2024 - Inverse limit of $\cdots \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{r} R \xrightarrow{r} R$

Today I want to discuss a result I was thinking about while driving to my parents house the other day. Let  $R$  be a ring and let  $r \in R$ . Consider the inverse system:

$$\mathcal{R} = \cdots \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{r} R \xrightarrow{r} R.$$

We set  $A = \lim \mathcal{R}$ . Then  $A$  consists of the set of all sequences  $(a_n)$  where  $a_n \in R$  such that  $r^m a_n = a_{n-m}$  for all  $0 \leq m \leq n$ . If  $R$  is an integral domain, then we can equivalently describe this as the set of all sequences  $(a_n)$  such that  $r^n a_n = a_0$  for all  $0 \leq n$ . In particular, if  $(a_n) \in A$ , then we must have

$$a_m \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \langle r \rangle^n := I.$$

for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus if  $I = 0$ , then necessarily  $A = 0$ . Krull's intersection theorem gives us  $I = 0$  for many important rings that we care about. For example, if  $R$  is a noetherian local ring with maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$  and  $r \in \mathfrak{m}$ , then  $I = 0$ . Thus the inverse limit of the inverse system  $\mathcal{R}$  would be 0 in this case. On the other hand, consider the direct system:

$$\mathcal{S} = R \xrightarrow{r} R \xrightarrow{r} R \rightarrow \cdots.$$

Then we have  $R_r = \text{colim } \mathcal{S}$ . We have  $R_r = 0$  if and only if  $r$  is nilpotent.

## 2.8 7/28/2024 - If $ZG = 1$ , then $Z(\text{Aut } G) = 1$

Here's a neat proposition in Group Theory that I proved involving the automorphism group of a centerless group.

**Proposition 2.4.** *Let  $G$  be a group such that  $ZG = 1$  and let  $A = \text{Aut } G$  be the automorphism group of  $G$ . The only automorphism of  $G$  which commutes with every inner automorphism of  $G$  is the identity automorphism. In particular, we have  $ZA = 1$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $\varphi$  is an automorphism of  $G$  which commutes with every inner automorphism of  $G$ . Thus we have

$$c_g \varphi = \varphi c_g = c_{\varphi g} \varphi$$

for all  $g \in G$ , or in other words, we have

$$g\varphi(x)g^{-1} = \varphi(gxg^{-1}) = \varphi(g)\varphi(x)\varphi(g)^{-1}$$

for all  $x, g \in G$ . Replacing  $x$  with  $\varphi^{-1}x$  above and rearranging terms, we see that

$$(\varphi g)^{-1}gx = x(\varphi g)^{-1}g$$

for all  $x, g \in G$ . Since  $ZG = 1$ , we must have  $(\varphi g)^{-1}g = 1$ , or in other words,  $\varphi g = g$  for all  $g \in G$ . It follows that  $\varphi = 1$ .  $\square$

## 2.9 8/18/2024 - flatness and projectiveness are stable under composition

Today I updated the 5/20/2024 entry. In today's entry, I want to prove the following:

**Proposition 2.5.** *Let  $A \rightarrow B$  be a ring homomorphism and let  $C$  be a  $B$ -module.*

1. *If  $B$  is  $A$ -flat and  $C$  is  $B$ -flat, then  $C$  is  $A$ -flat.*
2. *If  $B$  is  $A$ -projective and  $C$  is  $B$ -projective, then  $C$  is  $A$ -projective.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $M \hookrightarrow M'$  is an injective  $A$ -module homomorphism. We have a commutative diagram whose vertical arrows are isomorphisms:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C \otimes_A M & \longrightarrow & C \otimes_A M' \\ \downarrow \simeq & & \downarrow \simeq \\ (C \otimes_B B) \otimes_A M & \longrightarrow & (C \otimes_B B) \otimes_A M' \\ \downarrow \simeq & & \downarrow \simeq \\ C \otimes_B (B \otimes_A M) & \hookrightarrow & C \otimes_B (B \otimes_A M') \end{array}$$

The bottom arrow is injective since  $B$  is  $A$ -flat and  $C$  is  $B$ -flat. Therefore  $C \otimes_A M \hookrightarrow C \otimes_A M'$  is injective; whence  $C$  is  $A$ -flat.

Now suppose that  $M \twoheadrightarrow M'$  is a surjective  $A$ -module homomorphism. We have a commutative diagram whose vertical arrows are isomorphisms:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathrm{Hom}_A(C, M) & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{Hom}_A(C, M') \\ \downarrow \simeq & & \downarrow \simeq \\ \mathrm{Hom}_A(C \otimes_B B, M) & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{Hom}_A(C \otimes_B B, M') \\ \downarrow \simeq & & \downarrow \simeq \\ \mathrm{Hom}_B(C, \mathrm{Hom}_A(B, M)) & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathrm{Hom}_B(C, \mathrm{Hom}_A(B, M')) \end{array}$$

The bottom arrow is surjective since  $B$  is  $A$ -projective and  $C$  is  $B$ -projective. Therefore  $\mathrm{Hom}_A(C, M) \twoheadrightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_A(C, M')$  is surjective; whence  $C$  is  $A$ -projective.  $\square$

## 2.10 8/24/2024 - Connected integral domain has stalkwise local property

**Proposition 2.6.** *Let  $R$  be a connected commutative ring. Then  $R$  is an integral domain if and only if  $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is an integral domain for each prime  $\mathfrak{p}$  of  $R$ .*

The reason we need  $R$  to be connected is because the ring  $R = K \times K$  where  $K$  is a field is clearly not an integral domain but the localization at each prime of  $R$  is isomorphic to  $K$  which is an integral domain.

## 2.11 8/30/2024 - Example

Today we study the following: let  $\mathbb{k}$  be a field with characteristic  $\neq 2$ , let  $R = \mathbb{k}[x] = \mathbb{k}[x_1, x_2]$ , let  $A = R[\mathbf{a}] = R[a_1, a_2, a_{11}^1, a_{11}^2, a_{12}^1, a_{12}^2, a_{22}^1, a_{22}^2]$ , and let  $B = A[\mathbf{e}] / \mathbf{f} = A[e_1, e_2] / \langle f_1, f_{11}, f_{12}, f_{22} \rangle$  where

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 &= -1 + a_1 e_1 + a_2 e_2, \\ f_{11} &= -e_1^2 + a_{11}^1 e_1 + a_{11}^2 e_2 \\ f_{12} &= -e_1 e_2 + a_{12}^1 e_1 + a_{12}^2 e_2 \\ f_{22} &= -e_2^2 + a_{22}^1 e_1 + a_{22}^2 e_2 \end{aligned}$$

The Jacobian of  $B/A$  is given by

$$J_{B/A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_{11}^1 - 2e_1 & a_{11}^2 \\ a_{12}^1 - e_2 & a_{12}^2 - e_1 \\ a_{22}^1 & a_{22}^2 - 2e_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

and the Jacobian of  $B/R$  is given by

$$J_{B/R} = \begin{pmatrix} e_1 & e_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a_1 & a_2 \\ 0 & 0 & e_1 & e_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a_{11}^1 - 2e_1 & a_{11}^2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & e_1 & e_2 & 0 & 0 & a_{12}^1 - e_2 & a_{12}^2 - e_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & e_1 & e_2 & a_{22}^1 & a_{22}^2 - 2e_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let  $\mathfrak{p}_r$  be the prime ideal of  $A$  given by  $\mathfrak{p}_r = \langle \{a_{ij}^k - r_{ij}^k, a_i - r_i\} \rangle$  where  $r = (r_{11}^1, r_{11}^2, r_{12}^1, r_{12}^2, r_{22}^1, r_{22}^2, r_1, r_2) \in R^8$ . Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} [e_i, e_j, e_k] &= (e_i e_j) e_k - e_i (e_j e_k) \\ &= \sum_l (a_{i,j}^l e_k e_l - a_{j,k}^l e_i e_l) \\ &= \sum_m \sum_l (a_{i,j}^l a_{k,l}^m - a_{j,k}^l a_{i,l}^m) e_m \\ &= \sum_m \sum_l b_{ijk}^{lm} e_m \\ &= \sum_m b_{ijk}^m e_m, \end{aligned}$$

where we set  $b_{ijk}^{lm} = a_{i,j}^l a_{k,l}^m - a_{j,k}^l a_{i,l}^m$  and  $b_{ijk}^m = \sum_l b_{ijk}^{lm}$ . Let  $J = J_{B/A}(0)$ . Then we have

$$b_{ijk}^{lm} - b_{ijk}^{ml} = J_{ij,kl}^{l,m} - J_{ij,kl}^{m,l}.$$

In particular, note that

$$b_{ijk}^m - b_{ijk}^l = \sum_l b_{ijk}^{lm} - \sum_m b_{ijk}^{ml}$$

Thus for instance we have

$$b_{112}^1 = a_{11}^1 a_{12}^1 - a_{12}^1 a_{11}^1 + a_{11}^2 a_{22}^1 - a_{12}^2 a_{12}^1$$

We have

$$1 = a_1 e_1 + a_2 e_2$$

implies

$$e_1 = a_1(a_{11}^1 e_1 + a_{11}^2 e_2) + a_2(a_{12}^1 e_1 + a_{12}^2 e_2)$$

implies

$$e_1 = (a_1 a_{11}^1 + a_2 a_{12}^1) e_1 + (a_1 a_{11}^2 + a_2 a_{12}^2) e_2 = b_1 e_1 + b_2 e_2$$

implies  $(1 - b_1) e_1 = b_2 e_2$ . We'd like to show that

$$e_1 = f + g(c_1 e_1 + c_2 e_2)$$

Suppose we have

$$\begin{aligned} e_1 &= a_{11} + a_{12}(c_1 e_1 + c_2 e_2) \\ e_2 &= a_{21} + a_{22}(c_1 e_1 + c_2 e_2) \end{aligned}$$

Rearranging terms, this implies

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - a_{12} c_1) e_1 - a_{12} c_2 e_2 &= a_{11} \\ (1 - a_{22} c_2) e_2 - a_{22} c_1 e_1 &= a_{21} \end{aligned}$$

This implies

$$\begin{aligned} a_{21}(1 - a_{12} c_1) e_1 - a_{21} a_{12} c_2 e_2 - a_{11}(1 - a_{22} c_2) e_2 + a_{11} a_{22} c_1 e_1 &= 0 \\ (a_{21}(1 - a_{12} c_1) + a_{11} a_{22} c_1) e_1 + (-a_{11}(1 - a_{22} c_2) - a_{21} a_{12} c_2) e_2 &= 0 \\ e_1 &= a_{11} \\ r a_1 + x a_2 \end{aligned}$$

## 2.12 9/7/2024 - Example

Today we study the following: let  $\mathbb{k}$  be a field with characteristic  $\neq 2$ , let  $R = \mathbb{k}[\mathbf{x}] = \mathbb{k}[x_1, x_2]$ , let  $A = R[\mathbf{a}] = R[a_1, a_2, a_{11}^1, a_{11}^2, a_{12}^1, a_{12}^2, a_{22}^1, a_{22}^2]$ , and let  $B = A[\mathbf{e}] / \mathbf{f} = A[e_1, e_2] / \langle f_1, f_{11}, f_{12}, f_{22} \rangle$  where

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 &= -1 + a_1 e_1 + a_2 e_2, \\ f_{11} &= -e_1^2 + a_{11}^1 e_1 + a_{11}^2 e_2 \\ f_{12} &= -e_1 e_2 + a_{12}^1 e_1 + a_{12}^2 e_2 \\ f_{22} &= -e_2^2 + a_{22}^1 e_1 + a_{22}^2 e_2 \end{aligned}$$

The Jacobian of  $B/A$  is given by

$$J_{B/A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_{11}^1 - 2e_1 & a_{11}^2 \\ a_{12}^1 - e_2 & a_{12}^2 - e_1 \\ a_{22}^1 & a_{22}^2 - 2e_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

and the Jacobian of  $B/R$  is given by

$$J_{B/R} = \begin{pmatrix} e_1 & e_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a_1 & a_2 \\ 0 & 0 & e_1 & e_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & a_{11}^1 - 2e_1 & a_{11}^2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & e_1 & e_2 & 0 & 0 & a_{12}^1 - e_2 & a_{12}^2 - e_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & e_1 & e_2 & a_{22}^1 & a_{22}^2 - 2e_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let  $\mathfrak{p}_r$  be the prime ideal of  $A$  given by  $\mathfrak{p}_r = \langle \{a_{ij}^k - r_{ij}^k, a_i - r_i\} \rangle$  where  $\mathbf{r} = (r_{11}^1, r_{11}^2, r_{12}^1, r_{12}^2, r_{22}^1, r_{22}^2, r_1, r_2) \in R^8$ . Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} [e_i, e_j, e_k] &= (e_i e_j) e_k - e_i (e_j e_k) \\ &= \sum_l (a_{i,j}^l e_k e_l - a_{j,k}^l e_i e_l) \\ &= \sum_m \sum_l (a_{i,j}^l a_{k,l}^m - a_{j,k}^l a_{i,l}^m) e_m \\ &= \sum_m \sum_l b_{ijk}^{lm} e_m \\ &= \sum_m b_{ijk}^m e_m, \end{aligned}$$

where we set  $b_{ijk}^{lm} = a_{i,j}^l a_{k,l}^m - a_{j,k}^l a_{i,l}^m$  and  $b_{ijk}^m = \sum_l b_{ijk}^{lm}$ . Let  $J = J_{B/A}(0)$ . Then we have

$$b_{ijk}^{lm} - b_{ijk}^{ml} = J_{ij,kl}^{l,m} - J_{ij,kl}^{m,l}.$$

In particular, note that

$$b_{ijk}^m - b_{ijk}^l = \sum_l b_{ijk}^{lm} - \sum_m b_{ijk}^{ml}$$

Thus for instance we have

$$b_{112}^1 = a_{11}^1 a_{12}^1 - a_{12}^1 a_{11}^1 + a_{11}^2 a_{22}^1 - a_{12}^2 a_{12}^1.$$

We have

$$1 = a_1 e_1 + a_2 e_2$$

implies

$$e_1 = a_1(a_{11}^1 e_1 + a_{11}^2 e_2) + a_2(a_{12}^1 e_1 + a_{12}^2 e_2)$$

implies

$$e_1 = (a_1 a_{11}^1 + a_2 a_{12}^1) e_1 + (a_1 a_{11}^2 + a_2 a_{12}^2) e_2 = b_1 e_1 + b_2 e_2$$

implies  $(1 - b_1) e_1 = b_2 e_2$ . We'd like to show that

$$e_1 = f + g(c_1 e_1 + c_2 e_2)$$

Suppose we have

$$\begin{aligned}e_1 &= a_{11} + a_{12}(c_1e_1 + c_2e_2) \\e_2 &= a_{21} + a_{22}(c_1e_1 + c_2e_2)\end{aligned}$$

Rearranging terms, this implies

$$\begin{aligned}(1 - a_{12}c_1)e_1 - a_{12}c_2e_2 &= a_{11} \\(1 - a_{22}c_2)e_2 - a_{22}c_1e_1 &= a_{21}\end{aligned}$$

This implies

$$\begin{aligned}a_{21}(1 - a_{12}c_1)e_1 - a_{21}a_{12}c_2e_2 - a_{11}(1 - a_{22}c_2)e_2 + a_{11}a_{22}c_1e_1 &= 0 \\(a_{21}(1 - a_{12}c_1) + a_{11}a_{22}c_1)e_1 + (-a_{11}(1 - a_{22}c_2) - a_{21}a_{12}c_2)e_2 &= 0 \\e_1 &= a_{11}\end{aligned}$$