
Exercise Sheet 7

The field k is assumed to be algebraically closed.

Exercise 1 (Projective Jacobian criterion) Let $X \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n(k)$ be an integral projective variety and let $x = [X_0, \dots, X_n] \in X$. Assume that $I(X) = (F_1, \dots, F_r)$, with F_i 's homogeneous. Let M be the matrix defined by $M_{ij} = \partial F_i / \partial X_j(x)$, with $i = 1, \dots, r$ and $j = 0, \dots, n$. Show that X is non-singular in x if and only if $\text{rk}(M) = n - \dim X$.

Exercise 2 (Stalks) Let X be an integral variety.

1. For any $x \in X$, show that we have a canonical map $\mathcal{O}_{X,x} \rightarrow K(X)$.
2. Consider all the $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$ as subrings of $K(X)$, show for any open affine $U \subseteq X$ the equality

$$\mathcal{O}_X(U) = \bigcap_{x \in U} \mathcal{O}_{X,x}$$

in $K(X)$.

Exercise 3 (Characterise normality) Let X be an affine integral variety.

1. Assume that X is normal. Show that for any irreducible closed subvariety $Y \subset X$, the local ring $A(X)_{I(Y)}$ is integrally closed.
2. Prove that if for any $x \in X$ the local ring $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$ is integrally closed, then X is normal.

Exercise 4 (Some normal varieties) Suppose that $\text{char}(k) \neq 2$.

1. Show that every conic in $\mathbb{A}^2(k)$ is normal.
2. Show that the quadric surfaces

- $Q_1 = Z(xy - zw) \subset \mathbb{P}^3(k)$;
- $Q_2 = Z(xy - z^2) \subset \mathbb{P}^3(k)$

are normal.

3. Are the previous surfaces smooth?