

1 Preliminaries

1.1 Commutative algebra

We begin with some algebraic prerequisites. For more see [atiyah2018introduction].

Definition 1.1.1. A *commutative ring* $(R, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$ is an abelian group $(R, +, 0)$ along with an associative binary operator \cdot and a unit element 1 such that for all $x, y, z \in R$

1. $x \cdot y = y \cdot x$,
2. $x \cdot 1 = 1$, and
3. $x \cdot (y + z) = x \cdot y + x \cdot z$

We call a commutative ring $(R, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$ simply a *ring* and write it as R when there is no ambiguity. Also we denote $x \cdot y$ by xy .

Definition 1.1.2. An *ideal* of a ring R is a subset $I \subset R$ that is closed under addition $(+)$ and "absorbs" multiplication from elements of R : for all $x \in R$ and $y \in I$, $xy \in I$.

Proposition 1.1.1. *The images and preimages of a prime ideal under ring homomorphisms are prime.*

1.2 Categories and functors

Definition 1.2.1. A *category* \mathcal{C} consists of a collection of *objects*, a set $\mathcal{C}(A, B)$ of *morphisms* between any two objects, an *identity* morphism $id_A \in \mathcal{C}(A, A)$ for each object A , and a composition law

$$\circ : \mathcal{C}(B, C) \times \mathcal{C}(A, B) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(A, C) \quad (1.1)$$

for each triple of objects A, B, C . Composition must be associative, and identity morphisms must behave as their names indicate: $h \circ (g \circ f) = (h \circ g) \circ f$, $id \circ f = f$, and $f \circ id = f$ whenever the the composites are defined.

Definition 1.2.2. A *terminal object* of category \mathcal{C} is an object T to which there is a unique morphism from each object of \mathcal{C} .

Definition 1.2.3. A *functor* $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ assigns an object $F(A)$ of \mathcal{D} to each object A of \mathcal{C} and a morphism $F(f) : F(A) \rightarrow F(B)$ of \mathcal{D} to each morphism $f : A \rightarrow B$ of \mathcal{C} such that

$$F(id_A) = id_{F(A)} \text{ and } F(g \circ f) = F(g) \circ F(f). \quad (1.2)$$

Definition 1.2.4. A *natural transformation* $\alpha : F \rightarrow G$ between functors $F, G : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ consists of a morphism $\alpha_A : F(A) \rightarrow G(A)$ for each object A of \mathcal{C} such that the following diagram commutes for each morphism $f : A \rightarrow B$ of \mathcal{C} :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F(A) & \xrightarrow{F(f)} & F(B) \\ \downarrow \alpha_A & & \downarrow \alpha_B \\ G(A) & \xrightarrow{G(f)} & G(B) \end{array}$$