

1.7 Normality and smoothness

An integral domain R is normal if it is integrally closed in its field of fractions K :

If $x \in K$ satisfies $x^d + r_{d-1}x^{d-1} + \dots + r_0 = 0$

with $r_i \in R$, then $x \in R$.

An irreducible affine variety V is normal if $\mathbb{C}[V]$ is normal.

An affine semigroup $S \subset M$ is saturated if

$km \in S$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \Rightarrow m \in S$.

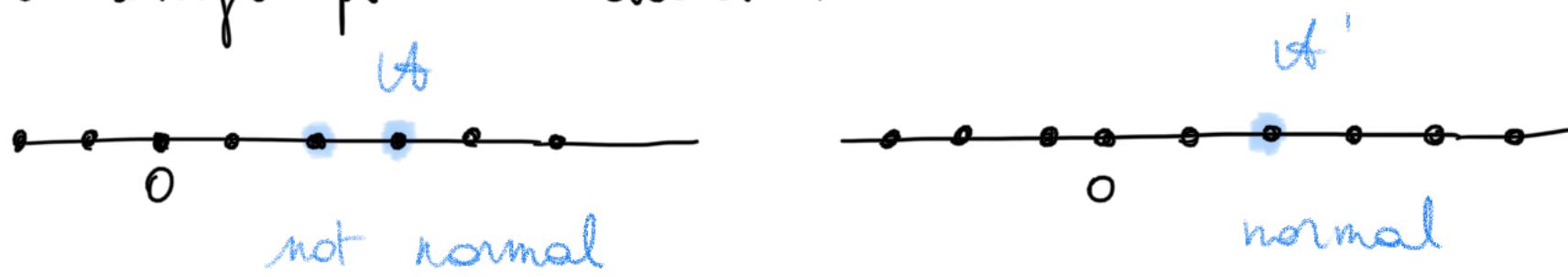
Theorem: Let V be an affine toric variety with torus T (with lattices M, N). TFAE:

(a) V is normal

(b) $V = \text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[S]$ where $S \subset M$ is a saturated affine semigroup

(c) $V = \text{Spec}(\mathbb{C}[S_\sigma])$ for a strongly convex rational polyhedral cone $\sigma \subset N_{\mathbb{R}}$.

Example: non-normal affine toric varieties correspond to semigroups with "holes".



We'd like to understand which affine toric varieties are smooth.

As smooth \Rightarrow normal, the only candidates are

$$U_\sigma = \text{Specm}(\mathbb{C}[S_\sigma]), \text{ for } \sigma \text{ a RCPC.}$$

Theorem An affine toric variety V is smooth iff $V = \text{Specm } \mathbb{C}[S_\sigma] = U_\sigma$ for some smooth RCPC $\sigma \subset N_{\mathbb{R}}$.

proof σ smooth $\Rightarrow U_\sigma$ smooth follows from a previous example.

Suppose U_σ is smooth and $\dim \sigma = n$. Then the fixed point corresponding to $\langle x^m \mid m \in S_\sigma \setminus \{0\} \rangle$ is smooth in U_σ , hence its tangent space has dimension n : $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} m/m^2 = n$. Observe that

$$m = \bigoplus_{m \in S_\sigma \setminus \{0\}} \mathbb{C} \cdot x^m = \bigoplus_{m \text{ irred}} \mathbb{C} \cdot x^m \oplus \bigoplus_{m \text{ reducible}} \mathbb{C} \cdot x^m$$

$$= \bigoplus_{m \in \mathcal{K}} \mathbb{C} \cdot x^m \oplus \bigoplus_{m \text{ reducible}} \mathbb{C} \cdot x^m$$

$$\Rightarrow \dim_{\mathbb{C}} m/m^2 = |\mathcal{K}|.$$

$\Rightarrow \sigma^\vee$ has a Hilbert basis consisting of n elts

$\Rightarrow \sigma^\vee$ is smooth $\Rightarrow \sigma$ is smooth.

$\dim \sigma < n \Rightarrow$ exercise.

□.

1.8 Toric morphisms

Consider $V_i = \text{Specm } \mathbb{C}[S_i]$, $i=1,2$ affine toric varieties. A morphism $\phi: V_1 \rightarrow V_2$ is toric if $\phi^*: \mathbb{C}[S_2] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[S_1]$ is induced by a semi-group homomorphism $\hat{\phi}: S_2 \rightarrow S_1$.

Example: $\phi_{\text{gt}}: T \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^*)^s$
 $\hat{\phi}_{\text{gt}}: \mathbb{Z}^s \rightarrow M$

Prop Let T_i be the dense torus of V_i , with (∞ -) character lattice M_i (N_i). Then

$\phi: V_1 \rightarrow V_2$ is toric iff $\phi(T_1) \subseteq T_2$ and

$\phi|_{T_1}: T_1 \rightarrow T_2$ is a group homom.

proof : Let $V_i = \text{Specm}(\mathbb{C}[S_i])$ so that
 $M_i = \mathbb{Z} \cdot S_i$. If ϕ is tonic, $\hat{\phi} : S_2 \rightarrow S_1$
extends to a group homomorphism $\hat{\phi} : M_2 \rightarrow M_1$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S_2 & \xrightarrow{\hat{\phi}} & S_1 \\ \downarrow & \uparrow \phi & \downarrow \\ M_2 & \xrightarrow{\phi} & M_1 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{C}[S_2] & \xrightarrow{\phi^*} & \mathbb{C}[S_1] \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{C}[M_2] & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}[M_1] \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} V_2 & \xleftarrow{\phi} & V_1 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ T_2 & \longleftarrow & T_1 \end{array}$$

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We see that $\phi(T_1) \subset T_2$, and $\phi_{|T_1} : T_1 \rightarrow T_2$
is a group homomorphism obtained by taking

$\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(-, \mathbb{C}^*)$ of $M_2 \rightarrow M_1$.

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(M_i, \mathbb{C}^*) \cong T_i$$

via $(m_i \mapsto \chi^{m_i}(t)) \sim t$

$$(M_2 \xrightarrow{\hat{\phi}} M_1) \xrightarrow{\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(-, \mathbb{C}^*)} (T_2 \longleftrightarrow T_1)$$

$$(m_2 \mapsto \chi^{\hat{\phi}(m_2)}(t)) \longleftrightarrow (m_1 \mapsto \chi^{m_1}(t))$$

$$(m_2 \mapsto \chi^{m_2}(\phi(t))).$$

Conversely, if $\phi(T_1) \subset T_2$ and $\phi|_{T_1}$ is a group homomorphism, the purple diagram induces the yellow diagram, $\mathbb{C}[M_2] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[M_1]$ comes from a group homomorphism and $\phi^*(\mathbb{C}[S_2]) \subset \mathbb{C}[S_1]$ completes the proof. \square .

Prop : A toric morphism $\phi: V_1 \rightarrow V_2$ of affine toric varieties V_1, V_2 is equivariant, i.e.

$$\phi(t \cdot p) = \phi(t) \cdot \phi(p), \quad t \in T_1, p \in V_1.$$

proof: $T_1 \times T_1 \rightarrow T_1$ $T_1 \times V_1 \rightarrow V_1$
 $T_2 \times T_2 \rightarrow T_2$ $T_2 \times V_2 \rightarrow V_2$

↓ $\phi \times \phi$ ↓ ϕ extends to ↓ $\phi \times \phi$ ↓ ϕ

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Let $\bar{\phi}: N_1 \rightarrow N_2$ be a homomorphism of lattices.

This induces a group homomorphism $\phi: T_1 \rightarrow T_2$

of tori $T_i = N_i \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{C}^* \simeq (\mathbb{C}^*)^{n_i}$, which is also a morphism.

We will also consider $\bar{\phi}_{\mathbb{R}} = \bar{\phi} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{R} : (N_1)_{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow (N_2)_{\mathbb{R}}$

Example: $N_i = \mathbb{Z}^{n_i}$, $T_i = (\mathbb{C}^*)^{n_i}$

$\bar{\phi} : \mathbb{Z}^{n_1} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^{n_2}$ given by a $n_2 \times n_1$ matrix F .

then $\phi : (\mathbb{C}^*)^{n_1} \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^*)^{n_2}$ is given by
 $\phi(t) = (t^{F_{1,1}}, \dots, t^{F_{n_2,1}})$.

$\bar{\phi}_{\mathbb{R}}$ is the \mathbb{R} -linear map represented by F .

When does ϕ extend to a map of toric varieties

$M_{\mathbb{R}_1} \longrightarrow M_{\mathbb{R}_2}$?

$$M_{\mathbb{R}_2} = \mathbb{Z}^{n_2} \quad M_{\mathbb{R}_1} = \mathbb{Z}^{n_1}$$

The map $\hat{\phi} : \mathbb{Z}^{n_2} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^{n_1}$ is given by F^T .

We need that a character on $M_{\mathbb{R}_2}$ pulls back to a character on $M_{\mathbb{R}_1}$.

That is, we need that

$$\hat{\phi}(m_2) \in \sigma_1^\vee \cap M_1 \text{ for all } m_2 \in \sigma_2^\vee \cap M_2.$$

$$\langle F^T m_2, u_1 \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall m_2 \in \sigma_2, u_1 \in \sigma_1^\vee$$

$$\iff \langle m_2, Fu_1 \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall u_1 \in \sigma_1, m_2 \in \sigma_2^\vee$$

$$\iff Fu_1 \in (\sigma_2^\vee)^\vee = \sigma_2, \quad \forall u_1 \in \sigma_1$$

\Rightarrow we need $\bar{\Phi}_R$ to be "compatible" with the cones σ_1 and σ_2 .

Prop: Let $\sigma_i \subset (N_i)_R$ be strongly convex RCPGs,

and let $\bar{\phi}: N_1 \rightarrow N_2$ be a lattice homomorphism.

Then $\phi: T_1 \rightarrow T_2$ extends to $\phi: U_{\sigma_1} \rightarrow U_{\sigma_2}$ if

and only if $\bar{\Phi}_R(\sigma_1) \subseteq \sigma_2$.

Example : affine open subsets from faces.

Let $\sigma \subset N_{\mathbb{R}}$ be a strongly convex RCP, and

let $\tau \leq \sigma$ be a face. There is $m \in \sigma^{\vee} \cap M$

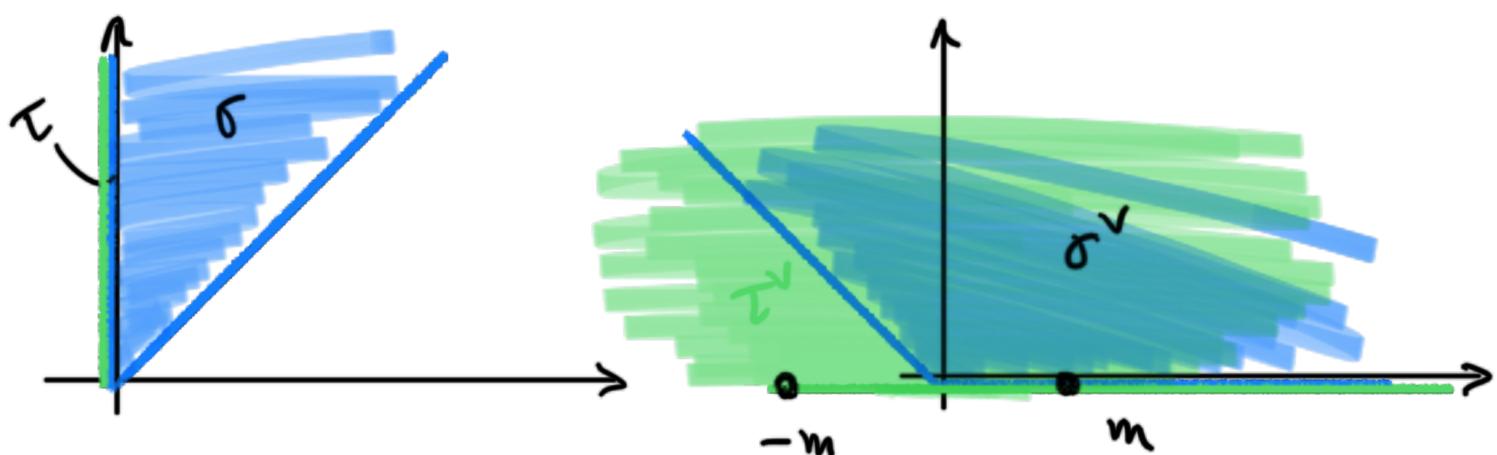
s.t. $\tau = \sigma \cap H_m$. The identity map

$\bar{\phi}: N \rightarrow N$ is compatible with $\tau \subset \sigma$.

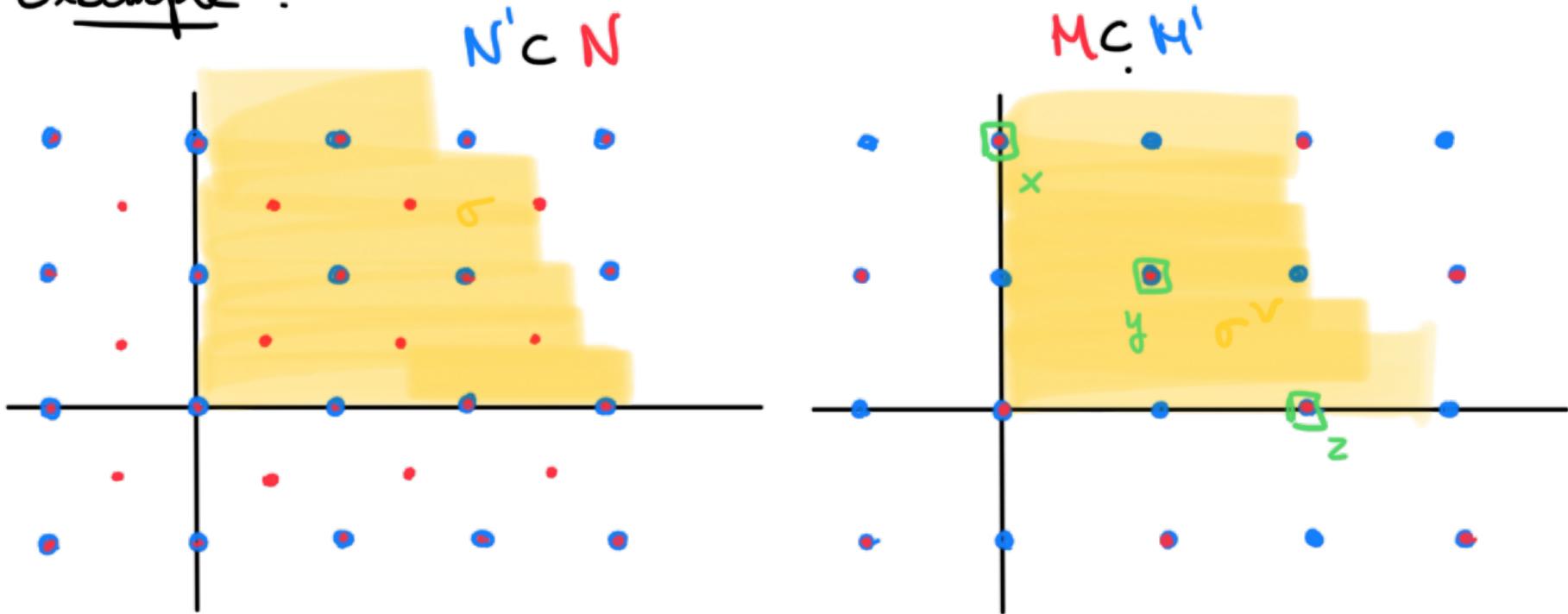
It induces $\phi: \mathcal{U}_{\tau} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{U}_{\sigma}$. The pullback

is the inclusion $\phi^*: \mathbb{C}[S_{\tau}] \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}[S_{\sigma}]$

prop $\mathbb{C}[S_{\tau}] = \mathbb{C}[S_{\sigma}]_{g^m}$.



Example :



$\mathcal{U}_{\sigma, N'} = \mathbb{C}^2$, $\mathcal{U}_{\sigma, N}$ is not smooth!

the Hilbert basis for $\sigma^\vee \cap M$ has

3 elements

$N' \subset N$ induces a toric morphism $\phi: \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_{\sigma, N}$

given by $\mathbb{C}[S_{\sigma, N}] \subset \mathbb{C}[S_{\sigma, N'}]$

$$\mathbb{C}[x, y, z] / \langle xz - y^2 \rangle \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}[s, t]$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &\mapsto t^2 \\ y &\mapsto st \\ z &\mapsto s^2 \end{aligned}$$

Exerciser : 1.3.4

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