

## Relative Spaces

Affine schemes  
are schemes

Last time: Open coverings of affine schemes



Sub-canonical (for a topos) means that representable things (the analogue of affine schemes) are sheaves.

## Relative Spaces ("Relative Algebraic Geometry")

Let  $S \in \text{Space}$  (often called the base space).

We get a category  $\text{Space}_S = \text{Space}_{/S}$  of  $S$ -spaces

or spaces over  $S$ .

"slice category"

• Objects:  $X \rightarrow S$  maps of spaces

• Morphisms:  $\begin{array}{ccc} X & \rightarrow & Y \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ S & & S \end{array}$  comm-diagrams

1. There is a forgetful functor  $\text{Space}_S \rightarrow \text{Space}$

2. The axioms of a category are "abstract."

$$X \rightarrow Y \circ Y \rightarrow Z = X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X \rightarrow Y & \circ & Y \rightarrow Z \\
 \downarrow \quad \downarrow & & \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\
 & S & 
 \end{array}
 =
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z \\
 \downarrow \quad \quad \downarrow \\
 & S & 
 \end{array}$$

Two perspectives:

(1) "Things living inside  $S$ "

(2) "Families of things living over  $S$ "

In  $\text{Space}_S$  the terminal object is  $S$ !

$$\text{Space} \cong \text{Space}_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{Spec } A & & \\
 \downarrow & \leadsto & \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow A \\
 \text{Spec } \mathbb{Z} & & 
 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Space}_{\text{Spec } A} \cong \text{Fun}(\text{CAlg}_A, \text{Set}) \quad \text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{CAlg}_A \cong \text{CRing}_A /$$

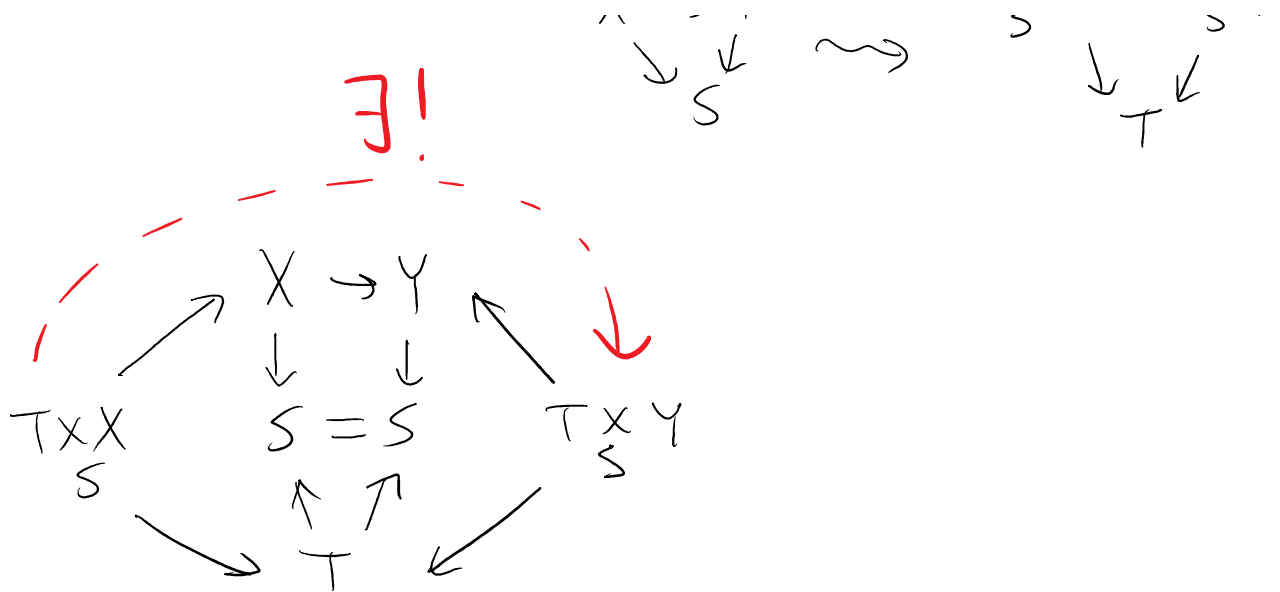
Base Change:  $T \in \text{Space}_S$  ( $T \rightarrow S$ )

$\leadsto T \times_S \cdot : \text{Space}_S \rightarrow \text{Space}_T$  base change functor

$$\text{Space}_T \ni \begin{array}{ccc} T \times_S X & \rightarrow & X \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ T & \rightarrow & S \end{array} \in \text{Space}_S$$

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$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X \rightarrow Y & & T \times_S X \rightarrow T \times_S Y \\
 \downarrow \quad \downarrow & \leadsto & \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\
 & & 
 \end{array}$$



$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 T' & \rightarrow & T & \rightarrow & S \\
 \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \\
 T' \times_S X & & T \times_S X & & 
 \end{array}$$

$$T' \times_{\left( T \times_S X \right)} T$$

$$\cong T' \times_S X$$

$$X_{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow X$$

$$\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q} \rightsquigarrow \mathrm{Spec} \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathrm{Spec} \mathbb{Z}$$

$$T \times_S X =: X_T$$

$$X_{\mathrm{Spec} A} =: X_A$$

$E$  elliptic curve

$E(\mathbb{Q})$

$\mathbb{Q}$ -pts.

$E_{\mathbb{Q}}$

$\mathbb{Q}$ -base change

$E$ : cut out by equation  $y^2 = x^3 + x$

$$E = \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{Z}[x, y] / (y^2 - x^3 - x)$$

$$E_{\mathbb{Q}} = \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{Q} \times_{\operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{Z}} E$$

$$\cong \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{Q} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}[x, y] / (y^2 - x^3 - x)$$

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$$E(\mathbb{Q}) \stackrel{?}{=} \left\{ (a, b) \in \mathbb{Q}^2 : b^2 - a^3 - a \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \right\}$$

$$E(\mathbb{Q}) := \operatorname{Hom}_{\operatorname{CRing}} (\mathbb{Z}[x, y] / (y^2 - x^3 - x), \mathbb{Q})$$

Aside:  $\mathbb{RP}^n = (\mathbb{R}^{n+1} \setminus 0) / \mathbb{R}^\times$

(1) Weil  
(2) Cartier

$$\mathbb{P}_k^n(k) = (k^{n+1} \setminus 0) / k^\times$$

$$\mathbb{P}_k^n \cong (A_k^{n+1} \setminus 0) / \mathbb{G}_m$$

$f: X \rightarrow Y$  What is  $\text{im}(f)$ ?

1. It's functorial.
2.  $\text{im}(f)$  is a subset of  $Y$ .

$$X \xrightarrow{\text{epic}} \text{im}(f) \xhookrightarrow{\text{monic}} Y$$

People distinguish between the "set-theoretic" image and the "scheme-theoretic" image.