

# Exercise Sheet 7

## SUBSCHEMES, FINITENESS CONDITIONS

Exercises 3 and 9 are taken or adapted from *Algebraic Geometry* by Hartshorne. Exercises 2, 5, 6 and 7 are from *Algebraic Geometry I* by Görtz and Wedhorn.

1. Let  $k$  be a field, set  $U_i := \mathbb{A}_k^1 = \text{Spec } k[X_i]$  for  $i = 1, 2$  and consider the open subschemes  $U_{ij} := \mathbb{A}_k^1 \setminus \{0\} = \text{Spec } k[X_i, X_i^{-1}]$  for  $i \neq j$ . Let  $X$  be the scheme obtained by gluing  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  along  $U_{12}$  and  $U_{21}$  via  $\varphi: U_{12} \xrightarrow{\sim} U_{21}, X_2 \mapsto X_1$ .
  - (a) Show that  $X$  is not affine.
  - (b) Show that  $X$  is integral and noetherian.
2. Prove that every locally closed immersion  $i: Z \rightarrow X$  is a monomorphism in the category of schemes.
- \*3. Let  $f: Z \rightarrow X$  be a morphism of schemes. Show that there is a unique closed subscheme  $Y$  of  $X$  with the property: the morphism  $f$  factors through  $Y$ , and if  $Y'$  is any other closed subscheme of  $X$  through which  $f$  factors, then  $Y \rightarrow X$  also factors through  $Y'$ . A reasonable name for this is the *scheme-theoretic closure of the image of  $f$* . Show further that if  $Z$  is a reduced scheme, then  $Y$  is just the reduced induced structure on the closure of the image  $f(Z)$ .
- \*\*4. Write out the proof of [Görtz-Wedhorn, Theorem 3.42] in all details.
5. Let  $X$  be a locally noetherian scheme. Prove that the set of irreducible components of  $X$  is locally finite, i.e. that every point of  $X$  has an open neighborhood which meets only finitely many irreducible components of  $X$ .
6. Let  $X$  be a noetherian scheme. Consider the sheaf of ideals  $\mathcal{N}_X$  associated to  $U \mapsto \text{rad}(\mathcal{O}_X(U))$ , the nilradical of  $X$ . Show that  $\mathcal{N}_X$  is nilpotent, i.e., there exists an integer  $k \geq 1$  such that  $\mathcal{N}_X(U)^k = 0$  for every open subset  $U \subset X$ .
- \*7. Let  $X$  be a scheme.
  - (a) If  $X$  is affine, show that  $X^{\text{red}}$  is affine.
  - (b) Assume that  $X$  is noetherian. If  $X^{\text{red}}$  is affine, show that  $X$  is affine.  
*Hint.* Use that  $\mathcal{N}_X$  is nilpotent and reduce to the case  $\mathcal{N}_X^2 = 0$ . Then show that the canonical morphism  $X \rightarrow \text{Spec } \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is an isomorphism.

8. Let  $X$  be a scheme over a field  $k$ . Show that
- (a) if  $X$  is locally of finite type over  $k$ , then every open covering possesses a refinement to an affine open covering  $X = \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$  such that each  $\mathcal{O}_X(U_i)$  is a finitely generated  $k$ -algebra.
  - (b)  $X$  is of finite type over  $k$  if and only if  $X$  is locally of finite type over  $k$  and quasicompact.
9. If  $X$  is a scheme of finite type over a field, show that the set of closed points of  $X$  is dense in  $X$ . Give an example to show that this is not true for arbitrary schemes.