

Exercise Sheet 4

SCHEMES

1. *Double Points.* Let k be a field and $Y \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}_k^2$ be a closed subscheme with image containing the origin $(0,0)$ in \mathbb{A}_k^2 and such that $\mathcal{O}_Y(Y) \cong k[\varepsilon]/(\varepsilon^2)$. Denote by $\varphi : k[x, y] \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_Y(Y)$ the surjection defining the inclusion $Y \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^2$. Prove that the kernel of φ contains a non-zero element $\alpha x + \beta y$ for some $\alpha, \beta \in k$. Write $X_{\alpha, \beta} := \text{Spec}(k[x, y]/\ker(\varphi))$ and show that $X_{\alpha, \beta}$ can also be characterized as the composition of the natural morphism $\text{Spec}(k[\varepsilon]/(\varepsilon^2)) \rightarrow \text{Spec}(k[\varepsilon]) \cong \mathbb{A}_k^1$ with the inclusion of the line $\mathbb{A}_k^1 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}_k^2$ given by $x \mapsto (\beta x, -\alpha x)$.
2. Let k be an algebraically closed field and let $Z := \text{Spec}(k[X_1, \dots, X_n]/I) \subset \mathbb{A}_k^n$ be a closed subscheme of dimension 0 supported at the origin (i.e. $\sqrt{I} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$). Furthermore, suppose that $k[X_1, \dots, X_n]/I$ is a 3-dimensional k -vector space. Prove that Z is isomorphic to either $A := \text{Spec}(k[X]/(X^3))$ or to $B := \text{Spec}(k[X, Y]/(X^2, XY, Y^2))$ and that A and B are not isomorphic to each other.
3. Let $X := \mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{C}}^2 \setminus \{0\} \subset \mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{C}}^2$. Prove:
 - (a) The restriction map $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{C}}^2}(\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{C}}^2) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(X)$ is an isomorphism.
 - (b) The scheme X is not an affine scheme.
4. In the following if X is a scheme we denote by $\text{sp}(X)$ the underlying topological space of X . Let S be a scheme and $\pi : X \rightarrow S, \rho : Y \rightarrow S$ be S -schemes. Let $\text{sp}(X) \times_{\text{sp}(S)} \text{sp}(Y)$ be the fiber product of sets defined by π and ρ , endowed with the topology induced by the product topology on $\text{sp}(X) \times \text{sp}(Y)$. We are going to study some property concerning the relation between $\text{sp}(X \times_S Y)$ and $\text{sp}(X) \times_{\text{sp}(S)} \text{sp}(Y)$.
 - (a) Show that we have a canonical map $f : \text{sp}(X \times_S Y) \rightarrow \text{sp}(X) \times_{\text{sp}(S)} \text{sp}(Y)$.
 - (b) Show that f is surjective.
 - (c) Let us consider the example $X = Y = \text{Spec } \mathbb{C}$ and $S = \text{Spec } \mathbb{R}$. Show that $X \times_S Y \cong \text{Spec}(\mathbb{C} \oplus \mathbb{C})$ and that f is not injective.
 - (d) Show that in the case of the previous Exercise, with $X = \text{Spec } k(u), Y = \text{Spec } k(v)$ and $S = \text{Spec } k$, the map f has infinite fibers.

- (e) Let $S = \text{Spec } k$ be the spectrum of an arbitrary field. By studying the example $X = Y = \mathbb{A}_k^1$, show that the image of an open subset under f is not necessarily an open subset.

5. Let \mathcal{C} be a category and $X \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$, one defines

$$h_X : \begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{C} & \rightarrow & (\text{Sets}) \\ Y & \mapsto & \text{Hom}(Y, X) \end{array}.$$

- (a) Show that h_X is a contravariant functor.
 (b) Show that any morphism $f : X_1 \rightarrow X_2$ induces a morphism of functors

$$h_f : h_{X_1} \rightarrow h_{X_2}.$$

- (c) Conversely, let $\varphi : h_{X_1} \rightarrow h_{X_2}$ be a morphism of functors. There is a unique $f : X_1 \rightarrow X_2$ such that $\varphi = h_f$.

6. Let S be a scheme and consider the category $\mathcal{C} = (\text{Schemes over } S)$

- (a) If $X \rightarrow S$ is a scheme over S such that

$$h_X : T \rightarrow \text{Hom}_S(T, X) = X(T)$$

is a functor to groups then X has a structure of S -group scheme.

- (b) Consider $\mathbb{G}_m := \text{Spec}(\mathbb{Z}[X, X^{-1}])$. Prove that

$$\mathbb{G}_m(T) = \mathcal{O}_T(T)^\times$$

for any scheme T and conclude that \mathbb{G}_m is a group scheme. Moreover, describe the morphism of rings corresponding to the multiplication

$$m : \mathbb{G}_m \times \mathbb{G}_m \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_m.$$