

5. Varieties

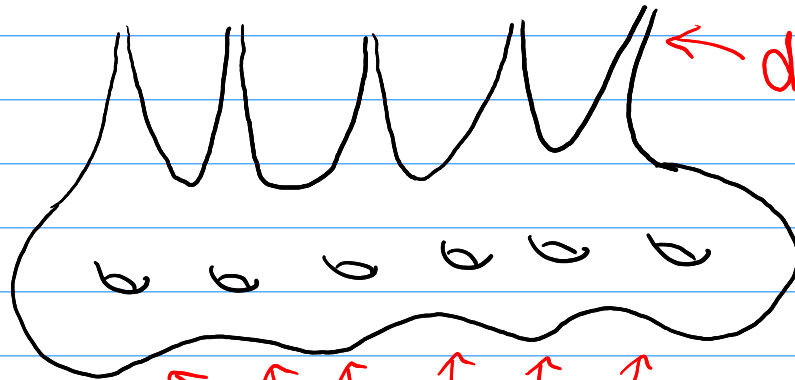
Big picture

- Have introduced a nice class of ringed spaces: affine var. X
- These have some limitations

→ open subsets of aff. var are not necess. aff. var
(e.g. $A^2 \setminus \{0\} \subseteq A^2$)

→ for $K = \mathbb{C}$, the complex topology on X is only compact if $X = \text{finite}$

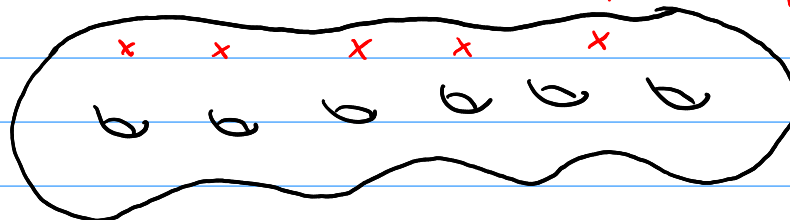
Ex: inside $A_{\mathbb{C}}^2 = \mathbb{C}^2$, a general hypersurface
 $X = V(\varphi)$, $\varphi \in K[x, y]_d$ of degree d
looks as follows:



d points are missing
(solutions $\rightarrow \infty$)

real surface with $\frac{(d-1)(d-2)}{2}$
donut holes

→ solution: look at ringed spaces which locally look like an affine variety



previously missing points covered by second affine variety

(analogy: manifolds = top. spaces which locally look like open subsets of \mathbb{R}^n)

Def (Prevarieties)

A prevariety is a ringed space X that has a finite open cover by affine varieties. Morphisms of prevarieties are simply morphisms of ringed spaces.

For $U \subseteq X$ open: elements of $\mathcal{O}_X(U) =: \underline{\text{regular functions}}$

Rmk • open cover above is not part of the data of a prevariety (enough that it exists)

- An open subset of a prevariety that is an affine variety is called an affine open set.

Exa • Any affine variety is a prevariety.

- $U = \mathbb{A}^2 \setminus \{0\} \subseteq \mathbb{A}^2$ is a prevariety ($U = D(x_1) \cup D(x_2)$) but not affine.
- More generally: any open subset U in an affine variety X is a prevariety
 \rightsquigarrow finite cover by distinguished open sets $D(f)$, which are themselves affine varieties.

basis of topology

Before we complained that aff. var. are not closed under taking open subsets. This is solved with the new definition:

Exercise Show that any open subset of a prevariety is a prevariety.

Gluing two prevarieties

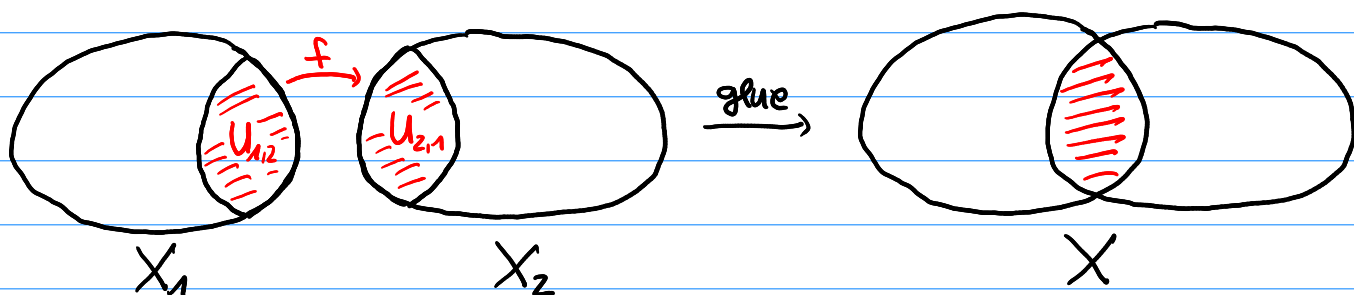
Basic construction of new prevarieties: patch them together from affine varieties (or more generally: prevarieties)

Construction (Gluing two prevarieties)

Let X_1, X_2 be two prevarieties (e.g. aff. var.) and let $U_{12} \subseteq X_1$ and $U_{21} \subseteq X_2$ be open subsets.

Assume we have an isomorphism $f: U_{12} \xrightarrow{\sim} U_{21}$

Then we can define a prevariety X obtained by gluing X_1 and X_2 along f as shown below:



To obtain ringed space X :

- As a set: $X = X_1 \sqcup X_2 / \sim$ where \sim is the equivalence relation given by $a \sim f(a)$, $f(a) \sim a$ (for $a \in U_{12}$)
 $x \sim x$ (for $x \in X_1 \sqcup X_2$)

This gives two injective maps $i_1: X_1 \rightarrow X$ mapping x to its equivalence class.
 $i_2: X_2 \rightarrow X$

- As a topological space: take quotient topology from map

$$\underbrace{X_1 \sqcup X_2}_{\text{has a topology}} \xrightarrow{i_1 \sqcup i_2} \underbrace{X}_{\text{put finest topology making } i_1 \sqcup i_2 \text{ continuous}}$$

Explicitly: $U \subseteq X$ is open if and only if $i_1^{-1}(U) \subseteq X_1$ open and $i_2^{-1}(U) \subseteq X_2$ open.

$\leadsto i_1, i_2$ are homeomorphisms onto their images
 \Rightarrow can see X_1, X_2 as open subsets of X .

• As ringed spaces: define structure sheaf \mathcal{O}_X by

$$\mathcal{O}_X(U) = \{ \varphi: U \rightarrow K : z_1^* \varphi \in \mathcal{O}_{X_1}(z_1^{-1}(U)) \text{ and } z_2^* \varphi \in \mathcal{O}_{X_2}(z_2^{-1}(U)) \}$$

for $U \subseteq X$ open. \leadsto function on U is regular iff its restriction to $X_1 \cap U$ and $X_2 \cap U$ is.

\leadsto this satisfies the sheaf axioms.

Note For the open sets $X_1, X_2 \subseteq X$ it follows: $\mathcal{O}_X|_{X_i} = \mathcal{O}_{X_i}$

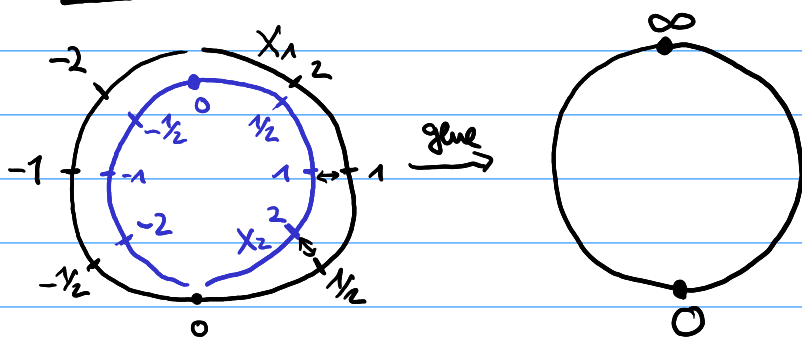
X_1, X_2 covered by aff. var \Rightarrow same for $X \Rightarrow X$ is prevariety.

Two ways of gluing two affine lines

Exa Let $X_1 = X_2 = \mathbb{A}^1$ and $U_{1,2} = U_{2,1} = \mathbb{A}^1 \setminus \{0\}$.

Consider two different choices for $f: U_{1,2} \xrightarrow{\sim} U_{2,1}$.

(a) $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ isomorphism w/ $f^{-1} = f$.



As a set:

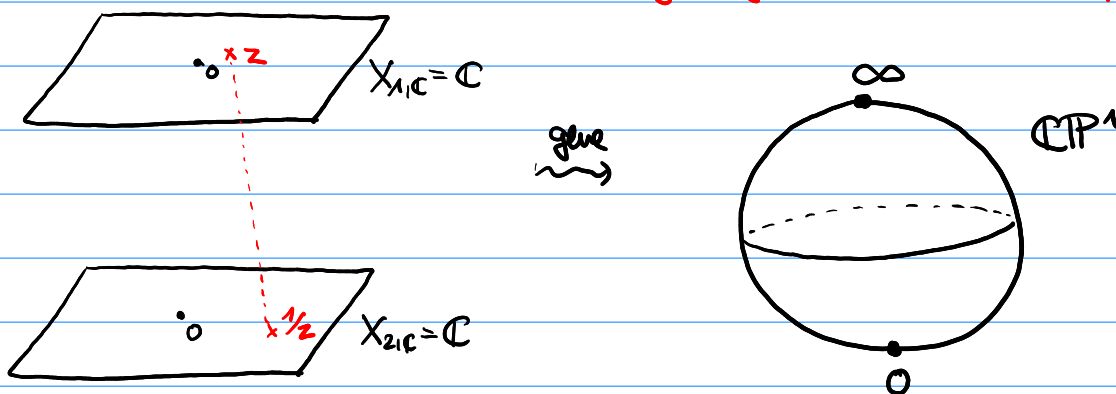
$$X = X_1 \cup \underbrace{(X_2 \setminus U_{2,1})}_{\text{single point} =: \infty} \cong (0 \in X_2)$$

idea: $(0 \in X_2) \cong (1/0 = \infty) \text{ in } X_1$

\leadsto resulting space $X =: \mathbb{P}^1$, the projective line (move: next chapters)

$K = \mathbb{C} \leadsto \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^1 = \text{Riemann sphere } \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$

\leftarrow could do same gluing operations for complex topology.



Can construct a map:

$$\mathbb{P}^1 = X_1 \cup X_2 \xrightarrow{f} X_1 \cup X_2 = \mathbb{P}^1$$

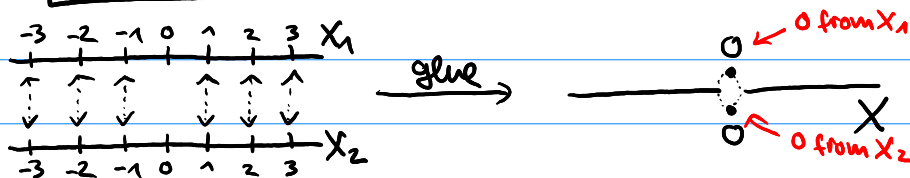
$\overset{z \mapsto 1/z}{\curvearrowright}$ $\overset{x \mapsto x}{\curvearrowright}$ $\overset{z \mapsto 1/z}{\curvearrowright}$
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Check: morphisms agree on overlaps.
 \Downarrow Lem
 morph. of ringed spaces glue.

This extends the map $X_1 \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow X_1, x \mapsto 1/x$.

$$\sim \mathbb{P}^1 \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{P}^1, f(1/2) = \frac{1}{1/2}, f(0) = \infty, f(\infty) = 0$$

(b) $f(x) = x$ still have $X = X_1 \cup \{pt\}$ but now pt is like "a second origin"



\sim X is the "affine line with two zero points"

X is a weird space

\rightarrow gluing operation over cplx numbers $\sim X_{\mathbb{C}}$ is non-Hausdorff
 (sequence $a_n = 1/n$ converges to both origins)

\rightarrow similar gluing as above:

$$X = X_1 \cup X_2 \xrightarrow{g} X_1 \cup X_2 = X$$

$\overset{z \mapsto z}{\curvearrowright}$ $\overset{x \mapsto x}{\curvearrowright}$ $\overset{z \mapsto z}{\curvearrowright}$
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\sim obtain $g: X \rightarrow X$ { exchanging the two origins
 { identity away from two origins

\Rightarrow the set

$$\{x \in X : g(x) = x\} = \mathbb{A}^1 \setminus \{0\} \subseteq X$$

is not closed (even though it is given by equality of morphisms g & id_X)

Later: define varieties as prevarieties + extra conditions to prevent such behaviour.

Gluing finite collections of prevarieties

Patching together three or more prevarieties works similar to the case of two, except that we need one more compatibility condition.

Construction (General gluing construction)

For a finite index set I let X_i be a prevariety for all $i \in I$.

Moreover suppose that for all $i, j \in I$ w/ $i \neq j$ we have open subsets

$$U_{ij} \subseteq X_i$$

and isomorphisms

$$f_{ij} : U_{ij} \xrightarrow{\sim} U_{ji}$$

such that for all distinct $i, j, k \in I$:

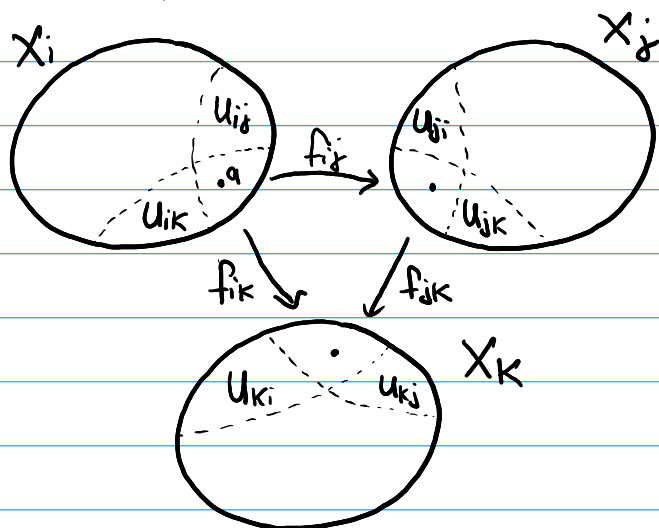
(a) $f_{ji} = f_{ij}^{-1}$

(b) $f_{ij}^{-1}(U_{jk}) = U_{ik}$ and

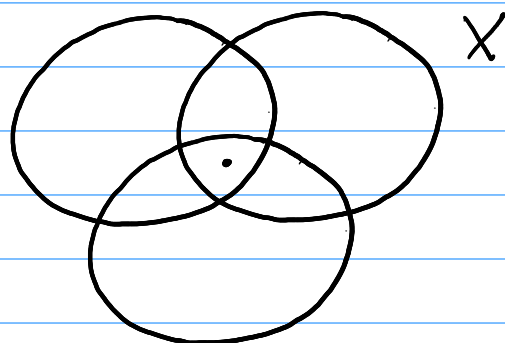
$$f_{jk} \circ f_{ij} = f_{ik} \text{ on } f_{ij}^{-1}(U_{jk})$$



Slogan Transition map $X_i \rightsquigarrow X_j \rightsquigarrow X_k$ equals the transition map $X_i \rightsquigarrow X_k$.



} glue



Then we set $X = \bigsqcup_{i \in I} X_i / \sim$ ← $a \sim f_{ij}(a)$ for $a \in U_{ij}$
 $x \sim x$ for $x \in X_i$

Conditions (a) & (b) $\Rightarrow \sim$ is symmetric & transitive.

\rightsquigarrow define topology & structure sheaf as in case of two prevarieties

$\Rightarrow X$ becomes a prevariety obtained by gluing the X_i along the maps f_{ij}

Have $X_i \subseteq X$ as open subsets, $X = \bigcup_{i \in I} X_i$.

Exa (Projective plane)

$$\underbrace{U_0}_{(x_1, x_2)} = \underbrace{U_1}_{(x_0, x_2)} = \underbrace{U_2}_{(x_0, x_1)} = \mathbb{A}^2$$

$$U_{ij} = \{x \in U_i : x_j \neq 0\}$$

use the coordinates specified in (*)

$$f_{01}(x_1, x_2) = \left(\frac{1}{x_1}, \frac{x_2}{x_1}\right), \quad f_{02}(x_1, x_2) = \left(\frac{1}{x_2}, \frac{x_1}{x_2}\right), \quad f_{12}(x_0, x_1) = \left(\frac{x_0}{x_1}, \frac{1}{x_1}\right)$$

Exercise Check that the above gluing data is well-defined.

Later: Interpretation of glued prevariety $X = \mathbb{P}^2 = U_0 \cup U_1 \cup U_2$.

Note by definition any prevariety X has finite cover by affine varieties X_1, \dots, X_m

\leadsto setting $U_{ij} = X_i \cap X_j \subseteq X_i$ and $U_{ij} \xrightarrow{\text{id}=f_{ij}} U_{ji}$

We recover X by gluing together the X_i

\Rightarrow The above construction can recover any prevariety X from affine varieties X_i .

Basic properties and constructions of prevarieties

Topological properties & open and closed subprevarieties

Before: How to glue affine varieties together to form prevarieties.

Next: define & study basic properties

(both generaliz. from affine varieties & new ones)

Topological properties

X prevariety $\rightsquigarrow X$ topological space

\hookrightarrow open & closed subsets

\hookrightarrow connectedness

\hookrightarrow irreducibility

\hookrightarrow dimension

defined for arbitr. top. spaces

X has finite cover by aff. varieties $\xrightarrow{\text{Noetherian}} X$ is Noetherian

$\Rightarrow X$ has an irreducible decomposition.

Noetherian

[Gathmann
Ex. 2.15 (b)]

Open & closed subprevarieties

Construction Let X be a prevariety

(a) Let $U \subseteq X$ be an open subset. Then U is again a prevariety (with $\mathcal{O}_U = \mathcal{O}_X|_U$ as usual).

Indeed:

$$X = \bigcup_{i \in I} X_i \Rightarrow U = \bigcup_{i \in I} X_i \cap U$$

\uparrow aff. var.

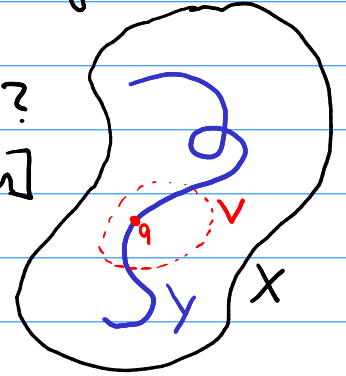
open subset of aff. var. $X_i \Rightarrow$ has finite cover by distinguished opens, which are affine varieties themselves

We call U an open subprevariety of X and the morphism $i_U: U \hookrightarrow X$ an open embedding.

(b) Let $Y \subseteq X$ be a closed subset
 \rightsquigarrow how to define $\mathcal{O}_Y(U)$ for $U \subseteq Y$ open?

[Note: cannot just take $\mathcal{O}_X(U)$ since $U \subseteq X$ not necess. open]

Idea Define $\mathcal{O}_Y(U)$ as functions $U \rightarrow K$ that are locally restrictions of regular functions on X .



$$\mathcal{O}_Y(U) = \left\{ \varphi: U \rightarrow K \mid \text{for all } a \in U \text{ there are an open nbhd. } V \text{ of } a \text{ in } X \text{ and } \psi \in \mathcal{O}_X(V) \text{ with } \varphi = \psi \text{ on } U \cap V \right\}$$

$\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{O}_Y$ gives sheaf of K -algebras (since cond. on φ is local)

$\rightsquigarrow (Y, \mathcal{O}_Y)$ is a ringed space

Exercise Show that for any affine open $W \subseteq X$:

$$(W \cap Y, \mathcal{O}_Y|_W) \xrightarrow{\text{id}} (W \cap Y, \mathcal{O}_{W \cap Y}) \text{ is an isom. of ringed spaces.}$$

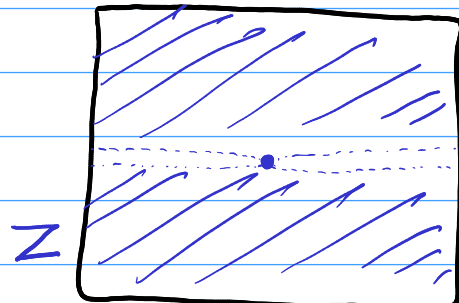
W affine, $W \cap Y \subseteq W$ closed $\Rightarrow W \cap Y$ is affine var.

$\Rightarrow (Y, \mathcal{O}_Y)$ has fin. cover by aff. varieties \rightsquigarrow prevariety
 We call Y a closed subprevariety of X .

Rmk For general subsets $Z \subseteq X$ of a prevariety there does not necessarily exist a good structure of a prevariety on Z .

Exg In $X = \mathbb{A}^2$ take

$$Z = \underbrace{\mathbb{A}^1 \times (\mathbb{A}^1 \setminus \{0\})}_{\text{open in } X} \cup \underbrace{\{(0,0)\}}_{\text{closed in } X}$$



\leadsto not naturally a prevariety
(e.g. does not look like an aff. var. around $(0,0)$)

The above example shows that we shouldn't mix open and closed subsets of X ... For more info see

Digression: Locally closed & constructible sets

Exercise (Properties of closed subprevarieties, [Gath., Rmk 5.12])

Let $Y \subseteq X$ be a closed subprevariety \rightarrow call such morphisms closed embeddings

(a) The inclusion $i_Y: Y \hookrightarrow X$ is a morphism

(b) For $f: Z \rightarrow X$ a morphism from a prevariety Z with $f(Z) \subseteq Y$, also $Z \rightarrow Y, z \mapsto f(z)$ is a morphism.

Rmk (Images & inverse images of subprevarieties)

Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a morphism of prevarieties.

(a) The image of an open/closed subprevar. in X is not necessarily an open/closed subprevar. in Y

Exg $f: \mathbb{A}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^2, (x,y) \mapsto (xy,y)$ satisfies neither open nor closed

$$f(\mathbb{A}^2) = Z = \mathbb{A}^1 \times (\mathbb{A}^1 \setminus \{0\}) \cup \{(0,0)\} \subseteq \mathbb{A}^2$$

both open \uparrow and closed \uparrow Proof For $U = \mathbb{A}^1 \times (\mathbb{A}^1 \setminus \{0\}) : f|_U : U \xrightarrow{\sim} U, \text{ inverse: } (u,v) \mapsto (u/v, v)$
 $f(\mathbb{A}^1 \times \{0\}) = \{(0,0)\}$.

(b) f continuous \leadsto preimage of $\left\{ \begin{matrix} \text{open} \\ \text{closed} \end{matrix} \right\}$ subprevar. is $\left\{ \begin{matrix} \text{open} \\ \text{closed} \end{matrix} \right\}$.

Products of prevarieties

We know: U, V affine varieties $\Rightarrow U \times V$ affine variety

Q What about products of prevarieties X and Y ?

Idea 1 (Existence)

- Choose affine open covers $\{U_i : i \in I\}, \{V_j : j \in J\}$ of X, Y
- Glue the affine varieties $U_i \times V_j$ ($(i,j) \in I \times J$) to obtain $X \times Y$

Problem How to show result is independent of choice of covers?

Idea 2 (Uniqueness)

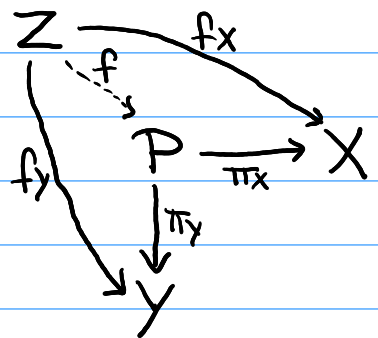
Characterize the product $X \times Y$ by a universal property (& check for construction above).

Def (Products of prevarieties)

Let X, Y be prevarieties. A product of X and Y is a prevariety P together with morphisms

$\pi_X : P \rightarrow X$ and $\pi_Y : P \rightarrow Y$

satisfying the following universal property:



(*) For any two morphisms

$f_X : Z \rightarrow X$ and $f_Y : Z \rightarrow Y$

from another prevariety Z there is a unique morphism $f : Z \rightarrow P$ such that $f_X = \pi_X \circ f$ and $f_Y = \pi_Y \circ f$.

Note: \swarrow
this makes sense in any category!

Slogan Giving a morphism f to the product of X, Y is the same data as giving a pair of morphisms f_X, f_Y to X, Y .

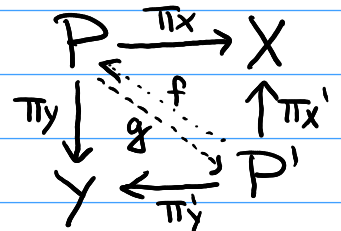
In [Gath., Pro 4.10] we checked that for X, Y affine, property (*) holds for $P = X \times Y$ when Z is affine.

Pro (Existence and uniqueness of products)

Any two prevarieties X and Y have a product (P, π_X, π_Y) .

Moreover, it is unique up to unique isomorphism:

If (P', π_X', π_Y') is another product, there is a unique isomorphism $f: P' \rightarrow P$ such that $\pi_X \circ f = \pi_X'$ and $\pi_Y \circ f = \pi_Y'$. (**)



We denote this product by $P = X \times Y$.

Proof Uniqueness

- universal prop. of P for $Z = P' \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{\pi_X'} X \\ \xrightarrow{\pi_Y'} Y \end{matrix} \rightsquigarrow$ morphism $f: P' \rightarrow P$
- symmetric argument for $P' \rightsquigarrow$ morphism $g: P \rightarrow P'$

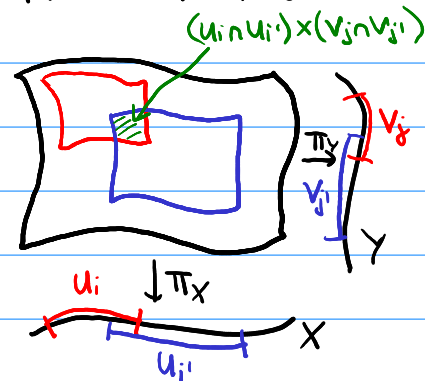
Claim $g \circ f = \text{id}_{P'}$ and $f \circ g = \text{id}_P \rightsquigarrow$ this implies f isom & finishes uniqueness!

Pf. of claim: $\pi_X' \circ (g \circ f) \stackrel{\text{Def of } g}{=} \pi_X' \circ f \stackrel{\text{Def of } f}{=} \pi_X' = \pi_X' \circ \text{id}_{P'}$
 similar: $\pi_Y' \circ (g \circ f) = \pi_Y' \circ (\text{id}_{P'})$

$\rightsquigarrow P' \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{g \circ f} P' \\ \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{P'}} P' \end{matrix}$ two morphisms with same composit. with univ. prop. of P'
 $\xrightarrow{\text{univ. prop. of } P'} g \circ f = \text{id}_{P'}$ (similar: $f \circ g = \text{id}_P$)

Existence We construct P explicitly

$X = U_1 \cup \dots \cup U_n$ and $Y = V_1 \cup \dots \cup V_m$ affine open covers
 \rightsquigarrow glue products $U_i \times V_j$ along the identity map on their overlaps $(U_i \cap U_i') \times (V_j \cap V_j')$



identity maps satisfy (a) & (b) from gluing construction \rightsquigarrow glued prevar. P

Project. morphisms $U_i \times V_j \rightarrow U_i \subseteq X$
 $\rightarrow V_j \subseteq Y$

glue to morphisms $\pi_X: P \rightarrow X$ and $\pi_Y: P \rightarrow Y$

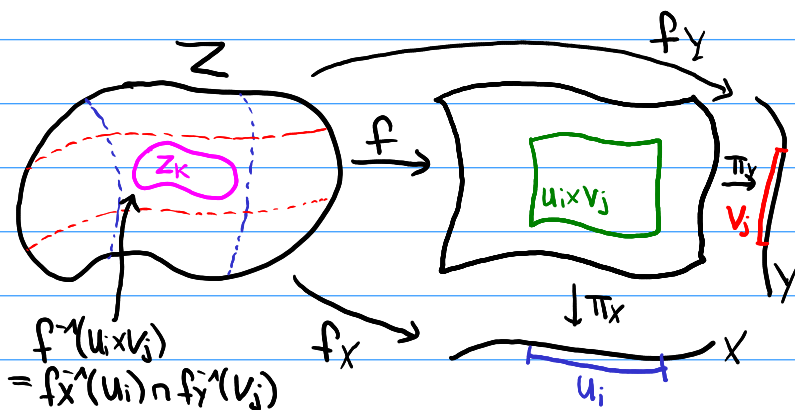
$P = X \times Y$ as a set

Check of universal property Have candidate (P, π_X, π_Y)
 Let Z be a prevariety and $f_X: Z \rightarrow X, f_Y: Z \rightarrow Y$ morphisms
 \leadsto only chance to get $f: Z \rightarrow P$ with $(*)$ is

$$f(z) = (f_X(z), f_Y(z)) \in X \times Y \stackrel{\text{as set}}{=} P$$

Need to check: f is a morphism.

[Lem. 4.6] can check this on an open cover of Z



\rightarrow first take open sets $f^{-1}(U_i \times V_j) \subseteq Z$

\rightarrow then cover those by fin. many affine opens Z_k

$\leadsto f_X|_{Z_k}: Z_k \rightarrow U_i \subseteq X$ and $f_Y|_{Z_k}: Z_k \rightarrow V_j \subseteq Y$
 are morphisms

[Pro 4.10] $\Rightarrow f|_{Z_k}: Z_k \rightarrow U_i \times V_j$ is a morphism

\downarrow is morphism by
 gluing construction

Since the Z_k cover all of P
 $\xrightarrow{\text{Lem 4.6}}$ f is a morphism. □

Rmk X, Y prevarieties, $X' \subseteq X$ and $Y' \subseteq Y$ closed subprevarieties
 \Rightarrow The set $X' \times Y'$ has two prevariety-structures

\Rightarrow identity gives

inverse isomorphisms:

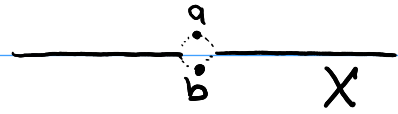
(use [Rmk 5.12]
 & univ. prop. $(*)$)

$$\underbrace{X' \times Y'}_{\text{product of } X' \text{ and } Y'} \xleftrightarrow{\quad} \underbrace{X' \times Y' \subseteq X \times Y}_{\text{subprevariety of } X \times Y}$$

Separatedness and the definition of varieties

Big picture

- prevarieties include strange spaces like affine line X with two origins $a, b \in X$
 - bad properties (e.g. morphisms $f, g: \mathbb{A}^1 \rightarrow X$ w/ $\{x: f(x)=g(x)\} \subseteq \mathbb{A}^1$ not closed!
 - in complex topology: $X_{\mathbb{C}}$ is not Hausdorff
 - in Zariski topology: want analogue of Hausdorff condition
- Hausdorff itself too strong!
- Pro (Topology) Top. space X is Hausdorff if and only if the diagonal $\Delta_X = \{(a, a) : a \in X\} \subseteq X \times X$ is closed.
- product topology
- Try the same def. for X variety (w/ Zar. top. on $X \times X$)

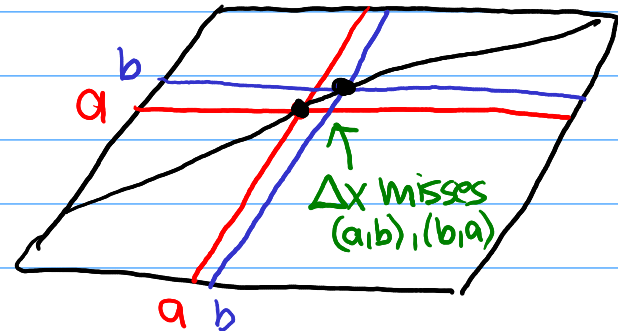


Exa For X the aff. line w/ two origins $a, b \in X$

Claim Zariski closure

$$\overline{\Delta_X} = \Delta_X \cup \{(a, b), (b, a)\}$$

$\Rightarrow \Delta_X$ is not closed!



Pf of claim: Recall open cover $X = \bigcup_{\mathbb{A}^1} U_a \cup \bigcup_{\mathbb{A}^1} U_b$

$$\Delta_X \cap U_a \times U_b = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{A}^2 : x=y, x \neq 0\}$$

taking closure adds point $(x, y) = (0, 0)$
 \downarrow
 $X \times X \ni (a, b)$

Def (Varieties)

A prevariety X is called a variety (or separated) if the diagonal

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c.f. separation axioms in topology
(Hausdorff = T_2)

$$\Delta_X = \{(x, x) : x \in X\} \subseteq X \times X$$

is closed in $X \times X$.

Rmk

• calculation above:

affine line w/ two origins is not separated / variety

• results below:

many pre varieties we naturally encounter are varieties & varieties have nice properties

↪ mostly consider varieties from now on.

Lemma (a) Affine varieties are varieties.

(b) Open & closed subprevarieties of varieties are varieties.

↪ just call them subvarieties

Proof

(a) If $X \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n$ then $\Delta_X = V_{X \times X}(x_1 - y_1, \dots, x_n - y_n) \subseteq X \times X \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n \times \mathbb{A}^n$
↪ Δ_X is closed

($x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n$
coordinates)

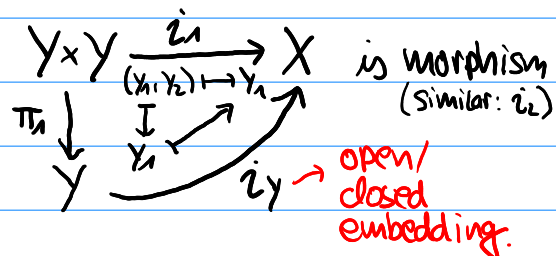
(b) $Y \subseteq X$ open / closed ↪ try to show $\Delta_Y \subseteq Y \times Y$ closed using univ. property!

Claim: The map $i_{Y \times Y} : Y \times Y \rightarrow X \times X$, $(y_1, y_2) \mapsto (y_1, y_2)$ is a morphism.

Then: $\Delta_Y = i_{Y \times Y}^{-1}(\Delta_X)$ is closed since $i_{Y \times Y}$ is continuous, $\Delta_X \subseteq X \times X$ closed.

Pf. of claim:

By univ. prop. of $X \times X$: have to show $Y \times Y \xrightarrow{i_1} X$ is morphism (similar: i_2)
↪ $i_1 = i_Y \circ \pi_1$ is morphism as
composit. of morphisms



open / closed embedding.

↪ $i_{Y \times Y} = (i_1, i_2)$ is morphism.

□

Exercise (Products of morphisms)

Let $f_1: Y_1 \rightarrow X_1$ and $f_2: Y_2 \rightarrow X_2$ be morphisms.

(a) Show that $(f_1, f_2): Y_1 \times Y_2 \rightarrow X_1 \times X_2$ is a morphism.

(b) Prove that if f_1, f_2 are open (or closed) embeddings, also (f_1, f_2) is an open (or closed) embedding.

(Hint: Show that being an open/closed embedding can be checked on an open cover of the target.)

Def. A variety of pure dimension 1 or 2 is called a curve (resp. surface).

- If X is a pure-dim. variety and Y a pure-dim. closed subvariety of X with $\dim Y = \dim X - 1$, we call Y a hypersurface in X .

Pro (Properties of varieties)

Let $f, g: X \rightarrow Y$ be morphisms of prevarieties and assume that Y is a variety.

(a) The graph

$$\Gamma_f := \{ (x, f(x)) : x \in X \} \subseteq X \times Y$$

is closed in $X \times Y$.

(b) The set $\{ x \in X : f(x) = g(x) \}$ is closed in X .

→ Slogan: algebraic conditions cut out closed sets.

Pf (a) $(f, \text{id}_Y): X \times Y \rightarrow Y \times Y$ morphism [Exercise]

and $\Gamma_f = (f, \text{id}_Y)^{-1} \Delta_Y$. Y variety $\Rightarrow \Delta_Y$ closed $\xrightarrow[\text{contin.}]{(f, \text{id}_Y)}$ Γ_f closed.

(b) $(f, g): X \rightarrow Y \times Y$ morphism, $\{ x : f(x) = g(x) \} = (f, g)^{-1} \Delta_Y$. \square

Exercise X, Y varieties $\Rightarrow X \times Y$ variety.

Digression: Locally closed & constructible sets

In lecture we saw: open & closed subvarieties
→ there is a useful way to mix these:

Def (Locally closed & constructible sets)

Let X be a top. space. A subset $S \subseteq X$ is called

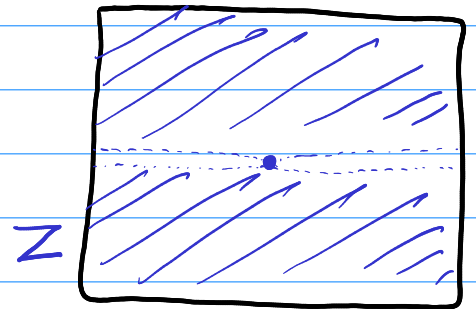
- locally closed if it is the intersection $S = U \cap C$ of an open set $U \subseteq X$ and a closed set $C \subseteq X$,
in part.: U, C loc. closed.
- constructible if it is a finite union of locally closed sets.

Ex⁹ For $X = \mathbb{A}^2$ we have:

- $S = \{0\} \times (\mathbb{A}^1 \setminus \{0\}) \subseteq X$ is locally closed:

$$S = \underbrace{\{(x,y) : y \neq 0\}}_U \text{ open} \cap \underbrace{\{(x,y) : x = 0\}}_C \text{ closed}$$

- The set $Z = \mathbb{A}^1 \times (\mathbb{A}^1 \setminus \{0\}) \cup \{(0,0)\}$ is constructible (but not loc. closed)



Exercise X prevariety, $S = U \cap C \subseteq X$ locally closed

→ can see S as \rightsquigarrow open subvariety of C
 \rightsquigarrow closed subvariety of U

Convince yourself that these two structures of prevariety of X are isomorphic.

In main lecture we saw that the image of an open/closed set under a morphism of prevarieties is not necess. open/closed.

Theorem (Chevalley's thm.)

For $f: X \rightarrow Y$ a morphism of prevarieties and $S \subseteq X$ constructible, its image $f(S) \subseteq Y$ is constructible.

Ex⁹ $f: \mathbb{A}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^2, (x,y) \mapsto (xy,y)$ satisfies $f(\mathbb{A}^2) = Z$ ← from above