

# Algebraic geometry Week 2

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Recall: A ringed space is a pair

$(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$   
topological space  $\rightarrow$  sheaf of rings on  $X$   
(commutative, unital)  
"structure sheaf"

Example 1 (Affine space as a ringed space).

$k$  an algebraically closed field.

$\mathbb{A}^n = \mathbb{A}_k^n = k^n$  "affine  $n$ -space (over  $k$ )"

Let  $S \subseteq k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ . Define

$$V(S) = \{ (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{A}^n \mid \text{if } f \in S \text{ then } f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = 0 \} \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n$$

$V(S)$  is an "affine algebraic set".

For example:

$$\mathbb{A}^n = V(\{0\}), \quad \emptyset = V(\{1\}) \text{ and}$$

$$\{(a_1, \dots, a_n)\} = V(\{x_1 - a_1, \dots, x_n - a_n\})$$

Zariski topology

$U \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n$  is open if there exists

$S \subseteq k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  such that  $U = \mathbb{A}^n - V(S)$ .

HW: Show that this defines a topology on  $\mathbb{A}^n$

Structure sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}^n}$ 

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Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n$  be open. A regular function on  $U$

is a function  $\varphi: U \rightarrow k$  such that

if  $p \in U$  then there exists  $U_p \subseteq U$  with

$U_p$  open and  $p \in U_p$  and

$f, g \in k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  such that

if  $q \in U_p$  then  $f(q) \neq 0$  and  $\varphi(q) = \frac{g(q)}{f(q)}$ .

Let

$\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}^n}(U) = \{ \varphi: U \rightarrow k \mid \varphi \text{ is a regular function on } U \}$

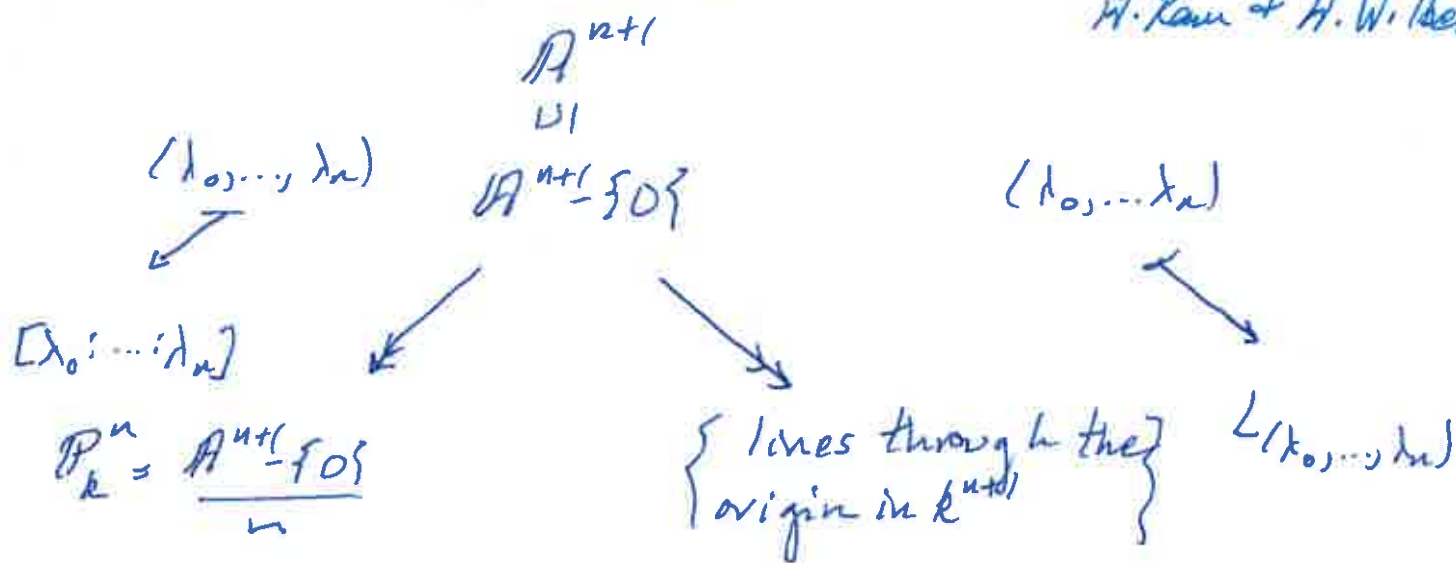
HW! Show that  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}^n}$  is a sheaf of rings on  $\mathbb{A}^n$  (with the Zariski topology).

Proposition  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}^n}(\mathbb{A}^n) = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ .

HW! Show that if  $k$  is not algebraically closed then  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}^n}(\mathbb{A}^n)$  is not always  $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ . (Hint: Use  $k = \mathbb{R}$  and  $\varphi(x) = \frac{1}{x^2+1}$ ).

Example 2 (Projective space as a vinged space)

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$\mathbb{A}^{n+1} - \{0\}$  has the subspace topology, i.e.

$U$  is open if there exists  $V$  open in  $\mathbb{A}^{n+1}$  such that  $U = V \cap (\mathbb{A}^{n+1} - \{0\})$

Define

$(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_n) \sim (\mu_0, \dots, \mu_n)$  if there exists  $c \in k^\times$  such that  $c(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_n) = (\mu_0, \dots, \mu_n)$ .

Excursion (complex projective space).

Let  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}_0^n$  be  $\frac{\mathbb{C}^{n+1} - \{0\}}{\sim}$  with the quotient topology coming from  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1} - \{0\}$  with the standard topology.



HW (a) Show that  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}^n_{\mathbb{C}}$  is quasi-compact and Hausdorff.

(b) Show that  $\mathbb{P}^n_{\mathbb{C}}$  is quasi-compact and not Hausdorff.

Zariski topology on  $\mathbb{P}^n_k$  let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ .

Let  $S \subseteq k[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  be a set of homogeneous polynomials. Define

$$V_{\mathbb{P}}(S) = \left\{ [\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_n] \in \mathbb{P}^{n+1}_k \mid \text{if } f \in S \text{ then } f(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_n) = 0 \right\}$$

The  $V_{\mathbb{P}}(S)$  are "projective algebraic sets".

HW: Show that  $V_{\mathbb{P}}(S)$  is well defined, i.e.

if  $[\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_n] \in V_{\mathbb{P}}(S)$  and  $[\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_n] = [\mu_0, \dots, \mu_n]$  then  $[\mu_0, \dots, \mu_n] \in V_{\mathbb{P}}(S)$ .

Define  $U \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n_k$  to be open if

there exists a set of homogeneous polynomials  $S \subseteq k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  such that  $U = \mathbb{P}^n_k - V_{\mathbb{P}}(S)$ .

HW: Show that this agrees with the quotient topology coming from  $\mathbb{A}^{n+1}_k - \{0\}$ .

Structure sheaf on  $\mathbb{P}_k^n$ 

Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{P}_k^n$  be open. A regular function on  $U$  is a function  $\varphi: U \rightarrow k$  such that

if  $a \in U$  then there exists  $U_a \subseteq U$  with  $U_a$  open and  $a \in U_a$  and  $f, g \in k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  homogeneous such that

if  $x \in U_a$  then  $f(x) \neq 0$  and  $\varphi(x) = \frac{g(x)}{f(x)}$ .

Define

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(U) = \{ \text{regular functions on } U \}.$$

HW: Show that  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}$  is a sheaf of rings on  $\mathbb{P}_k^n$ .

Proposition  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_k^n}(\mathbb{P}^n) = k$ .

HW (a) Prove this for  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}_k^n$ .

(b) Prove this for  $\mathbb{P}_k^n$ .



Define a map

$$\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^{k-1} \xrightarrow{z_{k-1}} \widehat{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^k$$

$$[\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_{k-1}] \mapsto [\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_{k-1}, 0].$$

(This comes from  $\mathbb{C}^k \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}^{k+1}$   
 $(\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_{k-1}) \mapsto (\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_{k-1}, 0)$ )

Let  $D^{2k} = \{ (y_1, \dots, y_{2k}) \in \mathbb{R}^{2k} \mid y_1^2 + \dots + y_{2k}^2 \leq 1 \}$

and define

$$f_k: D^{2k} \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^k \text{ by}$$

$$f_k(y_1, \dots, y_{2k}) = [y_1 + iy_2, \dots, y_{2k-1} + iy_{2k}, \sqrt{1 - \|y\|^2}]$$

Prove that  $f_k$  is continuous and surjective.

Let  $S^{2k-1} = \{ (y_1, \dots, y_{2k}) \in \mathbb{R}^{2k} \mid y_1^2 + \dots + y_{2k}^2 = 1 \}$

Let  $g_k: S^{2k-1} \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^k$  be the restriction of  $f_k$  to  $S^{2k-1}$

Show that  $\text{im}(g_k) = \overset{\vee}{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^{k-1}$  (contained in  $\widehat{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^k$ ).

Define  $D^{2k} \sqcup \overset{\vee}{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^{k-1} \xrightarrow{\varphi} ((\widehat{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^k - \overset{\vee}{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^{k-1}) \cup \overset{\vee}{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^{k-1}) = \overset{\vee}{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^k$

by  $\varphi(d) = f_k(d)$ , if  $d \in D^{2k}$ , and

$\varphi(x) = z_{k-1}(x)$ , if  $x \in \overset{\vee}{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^{k-1}$ .

Then, show that

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$$\mathbb{D}^{2k} \sqcup \tilde{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^{k-1} \longrightarrow \tilde{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^k = \left( \tilde{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^k - \tilde{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^{k-1} \right) \cup \tilde{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^{k-1}$$

$$\searrow \quad \quad \quad \nearrow \text{homeomorphism}$$

$$\mathbb{D}^{2k} \sqcup \tilde{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^{k-1}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\langle g_k(y) = y \mid y \in S^{2k-1} \rangle} \mathbb{D}^{2k} \sqcup_{g_k} \mathbb{P}^{k-1}$$

Use this set up to show that  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}_{\mathbb{C}}^k$  is a CW-complex.  
Look in Hatcher for the definition of a CW-complex

How are the ringed spaces  $(\mathbb{A}_k^n, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}_k^n})$  and  $(\mathbb{P}_k^n, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_k^n})$  related?

Definition: A prevariety is a ringed space  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  such that there exists a finite open cover  $\mathcal{S}$  such that

$$(U_i, \mathcal{O}_X|_{U_i}) \cong (\mathbb{A}_k^n, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}_k^n}) \quad (\text{as ringed spaces})$$

for each  $U_i \in \mathcal{S}$ .

Proposition  $(\mathbb{P}_k^n, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_k^n})$  is a prevariety.



Idea of proof:

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Define

$$U_i = \{[\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_n] \mid \lambda_i \neq 0\}$$

$$= \{[\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_{i-1}, 1, \lambda_{i+1}, \dots, \lambda_n]\} \quad (\text{subset of } \mathbb{P}_k^n)$$

Then

$$\mathbb{P}_k^n = \bigcup_{i=0}^n U_i \quad \text{is an open cover}$$

(prove this). Define

$$F: \mathbb{A}_k^n \rightarrow U_0 \quad \text{by } F(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) = [1, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n]$$

and

$$F^{-1}: U_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_k^n \quad \text{by } F^{-1}([\lambda_0, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n]) = \left(\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_0}, \dots, \frac{\lambda_n}{\lambda_0}\right).$$

Show that  $F$  and  $F^{-1}$  are well defined, continuous and inverse to each other.

Define ring homomorphisms (isomorphisms)

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_k^n|_{U_i}}(V) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}_k^n}(F(V))$$

$$(V \xrightarrow{\varphi} k) \longmapsto (F(V) \xrightarrow{F^{-1}} V \xrightarrow{\varphi} k)$$

for  $V \subseteq U_i$  open.Complete this to show  $(U_i, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_k^n}|_{U_i}) = (\mathbb{A}_k^n, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}_k^n})$ .