

Algebraic Geometry

Summer Semester 2013 - Problem Set 12

Due July 12, 2013, 1:00 pm

Problem 1. Let k be an algebraically closed field. An n -fold point (over k) is a scheme of the form $X = \text{Spec } R$ such that X has only one point and R is a k -algebra of vector space dimension n over k (i. e. X has length n). Show that every double point is isomorphic to $\text{Spec } k[x]/\langle x^2 \rangle$. On the other hand, find two non-isomorphic triple points over k , and describe them geometrically.

Problem 2. Show that for a scheme X the following are equivalent:

- (a) X is reduced, i. e. for every open subset $U \subset X$ the ring $\mathcal{O}_X(U)$ has no nilpotent elements.
- (b) For any open subset U_i of an open affine cover $\{U_i\}$ of X , the ring $\mathcal{O}_X(U_i)$ has no nilpotent elements.
- (c) For every point $P \in X$ the local ring $\mathcal{O}_{X,P}$ has no nilpotent elements.

Problem 3. Show that $\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{C}}^2 \not\cong \mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{C}}^1 \times_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{C}}^1$.

Problem 4. For a variety X we also call the associated scheme X_{Sch} a variety. Let X be an affine variety, let Y be a closed subscheme of X defined by the ideal $I \subset A(X)$, and let \tilde{X} be the blow-up of X at I . Show that:

- (a) $\tilde{X} = \text{Proj}(\bigoplus_{d \geq 0} I^d)$, where we set $I^0 := A(X)$.
- (b) The projection map $\tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ is the morphism induced by the ring homomorphism $I^0 \rightarrow \bigoplus_{d \geq 0} I^d$.
- (c) The exceptional divisor of the blow-up, i. e. the fiber $Y \times_X \tilde{X}$ of the blow-up $\tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ over Y is isomorphic to $\text{Proj}(\bigoplus_{d \geq 0} I^d / I^{d+1})$.