

The projective cone over Y is the closure $\overline{C(Y)}$ of $C(Y)$ in $\mathbb{P}^{n+1} \hookrightarrow V_{n+1} = \mathbb{A}^{n+1}$.

The ideal of $\overline{C(Y)}$ is the homogenization of $I(Y)$ with respect to the extra variable x_{n+1} .

Note: this is "the same" ideal, but thought of as an ideal in $k[x_0, \dots, x_{n+1}]$.

Now we start talking about sheaves:

As mentioned before, sheaves are a generalization of functions, or a localized way of thinking about functions.

Presheaves:

Definition: Let X be a topological space.

A presheaf \mathcal{F} (of sets) on X is the data,

(1) for each open set $U \subset X$, of a set $\mathcal{F}(U)$

(2) for every inclusion of open sets $V \subset U$, of a

"restriction" map $\rho_{UV} : \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(V)$,

such that:

(1) $\mathcal{F}(\emptyset) = \{\emptyset\}$ is the set with one element,

(2) $\rho_{UU} = \text{Id}_U$ the identity map of $\mathcal{F}(U)$,

(3) for all inclusions of open sets $W \subset V \subset U$, we

have $\rho_{UW} = \rho_{VW} \circ \rho_{UV}$.

Note: A presheaf is a contravariant functor from the category of open sets of X to the category of sets. We can change the target category to Abelian groups, rings, modules over a fixed ring, etc.

We would change our maps of sets to homomorphisms of abelian groups, rings, modules, etc.

$\{\emptyset\}$ would be replaced by a final object in the relevant category, which is $\{0\}$ for abelian groups, rings or modules.

Example: Constant presheaves: $\mathcal{F}(U) = S$ for a fixed set S , $\forall U \neq \emptyset$.

We build the important properties of functions into the definition of sheaves:

Notation: From now on, we denote $\rho_{UV}: \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(V)$,
by ρ_V .

Definition: A presheaf \mathcal{F} on X is a sheaf if it satisfies the following:

(1) for all U and all open coverings $U = \bigcup_{i \in I} V_i$, if $s, t \in \mathcal{F}(U)$ are "sections of \mathcal{F} over U " s.t.

$$s|_{V_i} = t|_{V_i} \quad \forall i \in I, \text{ then } s = t,$$

(2) for all U and all open coverings $U = \bigcup_{i \in I} V_i$, and all collections $\{s_i \in \mathcal{F}(V_i) \mid i \in I\}$ s.t.

$s_i|_{V_i \cap V_j} = s_j|_{V_i \cap V_j}$, $\exists s \in \mathcal{F}(U)$ such that

$$s|_{V_i} = s_i \quad \forall i \in I.$$

Note: We can combine these into one condition by requiring s to be unique in (2).

Note: the constant presheaf is NOT a sheaf.

Examples of sheaves: (1) X, S two topological spaces

$\mathcal{F} :=$ sheaf of continuous functions from X to S .

$$\mathcal{F}(U) = \{ \text{continuous functions from } U \text{ to } S \}.$$

If S has the discrete topology, then \mathcal{F} is the

constant "sheaf" on X with values in S .

(2) Sheaves of C^∞ functions or differential forms on C^∞ manifolds.

(3) Sheaves of holomorphic functions on complex analytic spaces, or real analytic functions on real analytic spaces.

(4) $\pi: E \rightarrow X$ continuous. Sheaf of ^{continuous} sections of π :
 $\forall U \subset X \quad \mathcal{F}(U) = \{ s: U \rightarrow E \mid \pi \circ s = \text{Id}_U \}$
continuous.

We want to define algebro-geometric sheaves with "algebraic" functions. For this, we first "expand"

on affine and projective varieties.

Back to Nullstellensatz:

Statement: k algebraically closed. For all
ideals $I \subset k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$, $I(V(I)) = \sqrt{I}$.

Proof: Clearly $\sqrt{I} \subset I(V(I))$.

For the inclusion in the other direction, we
show that if $f \notin \sqrt{I}$, then $f \notin I(V(I))$.

We need to find a point $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in V(I)$

s.t. $f(a_1, \dots, a_n) \neq 0$.

we know $\sqrt{I} = \bigcap_{\substack{\mathfrak{p} \supset I \\ \mathfrak{p} \text{ prime}}} \mathfrak{p}$.

So $\exists \mathfrak{p} \supseteq I$ s.t. $f \notin \mathfrak{p}$.

Put $R := A/\mathfrak{p} := k[x_1, \dots, x_n]/\mathfrak{p}$.

This is an integral domain, so it has a field of fractions $K(R)$. $R \hookrightarrow K(R)$

Let $g \in R$ be the image of f : $g \neq 0$.

Let $R[g^{-1}] \subset K(R)$ be the subring generated by R and g^{-1} .

Choose a maximal ideal $\mathfrak{m} \subset R[g^{-1}]$, then

$R \cap \mathfrak{m}$ does not contain g because g is invertible in $R[g^{-1}]$.

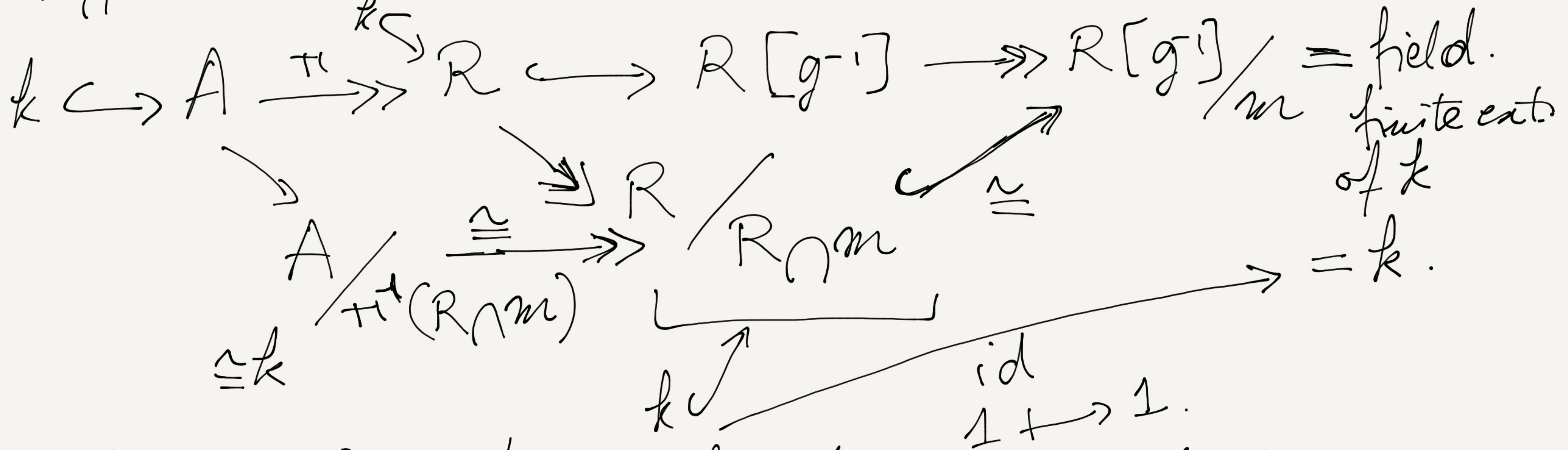
$R \cap \mathfrak{m} \subset R$ is a prime ideal.

The fact $R \cap \mathfrak{m}$ is maximal in R because

$$R / R \cap \mathfrak{m} \cong R[g^{-1}] / \mathfrak{m} \text{ is a field.}$$

The fact, we have more: the inverse image of

$R \cap \mathfrak{m}$ in A is also maximal:



The quotient of any finitely generated algebra over a

field k is a finite extension of k .

Let a_1, \dots, a_m be the images of x_1, \dots, x_m in

$$k = A / \pi^{-1}(R \cap \mathfrak{m}) = R / R \cap \mathfrak{m}$$

$(a_1, \dots, a_m) \in k^m = A^m$, then $f(a_1, \dots, a_m) \neq 0$

because g is the image of f and g is not zero in $R / R \cap \mathfrak{m}$.

The fact $\pi^{-1}(R \cap \mathfrak{m}) = (x_1 - a_1, \dots, x_m - a_m)$.

because $x_i - a_i \mapsto 0$ in $k = A / \pi^{-1}(R \cap \mathfrak{m})$
 $\Rightarrow (x_1 - a_1, \dots, x_m - a_m) \subset \pi^{-1}(R \cap \mathfrak{m})$

and $(x_1 - a_1, \dots, x_n - a_n)$ is maximal.

However $\pi^{-1}(R \cap \mathfrak{m}) = (x_1 - a_1, \dots, x_n - a_n) \supset \mathfrak{p} \supset I$
because \mathfrak{p} is the kernel
of $A \rightarrow R$

$$\Rightarrow (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in V(I)$$

(any polynomial in I can be written as)
$$\sum_{i=1}^n P_i(x_i - a_i)$$

$\Rightarrow f$ does not vanish on $V(I)$

$$\Rightarrow f \notin I(V(I)) \quad \square$$

Note: We also proved that every maximal ideal
of A is of the form $(x_1 - a_1, \dots, x_n - a_n)$ for some
 $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in k^n$.