

Last time: various things with closed subschemes of $\text{Proj } S$.

Today: 1) the Veronese embeddings $\nu_d: \mathbb{P}_k^n \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^N$
2) back to general theory of closed subschemes.

Prop: Suppose $S_\bullet = \bigoplus_{m \geq 0} S_m$ is a graded ring.

Let $d > 0$. Define a new graded ring

$S_{d\bullet} = \bigoplus_{m \geq 0} S_{dm}$. Then the map

$S_{d\bullet} \rightarrow S_\bullet$ induces an isomorphism

$\text{Proj } S_\bullet \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Proj } S_{d\bullet}$.

Pf: For any homog. f of pos. degree, this morphism restricts to an isom

$$D(f^d) \xrightarrow{\sim} D(f^d)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \parallel & & \parallel \\ \text{Spec}(-) & = & \text{Spec}(-) \end{array} \quad \square$$

Apply this to $S_c = k[x_0, \dots, x_n]$ to get that

$$\mathbb{P}_k^n = \text{Proj } S_c \cong \text{Proj } S_d.$$

But S_d is gen by monomials of deg d , so

we can write

$$\mathbb{P}_k^n \cong \text{Proj } k[x_0^d, x_0^{d-1}x_1, \dots, x_n^d] / (\text{complicated ideal of relations})$$

In other words, we have identified \mathbb{P}_k^n with a closed subscheme of \mathbb{P}_k^N for

$$N = \underbrace{\binom{n+d}{d}} - 1$$

of monomials of deg d
in $n+1$ variables

Def: This closed embedding

$$v_d: \mathbb{P}_k^n \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^N$$

$$[x_0: \dots: x_n] \mapsto [x_0^d: x_0^{d-1}x_1: \dots: x_n^d]$$

is the d th Veronese embedding of \mathbb{P}^n .

Examples: 1) $v_2: \mathbb{P}_k^1 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^2$ U

$$[x_0: x_1] \mapsto [x_0^2: x_0x_1: x_1^2]$$

identifies \mathbb{P}_k^1 with the conic $V(y_0y_2 - y_1^2)$ in \mathbb{P}_k^2 .

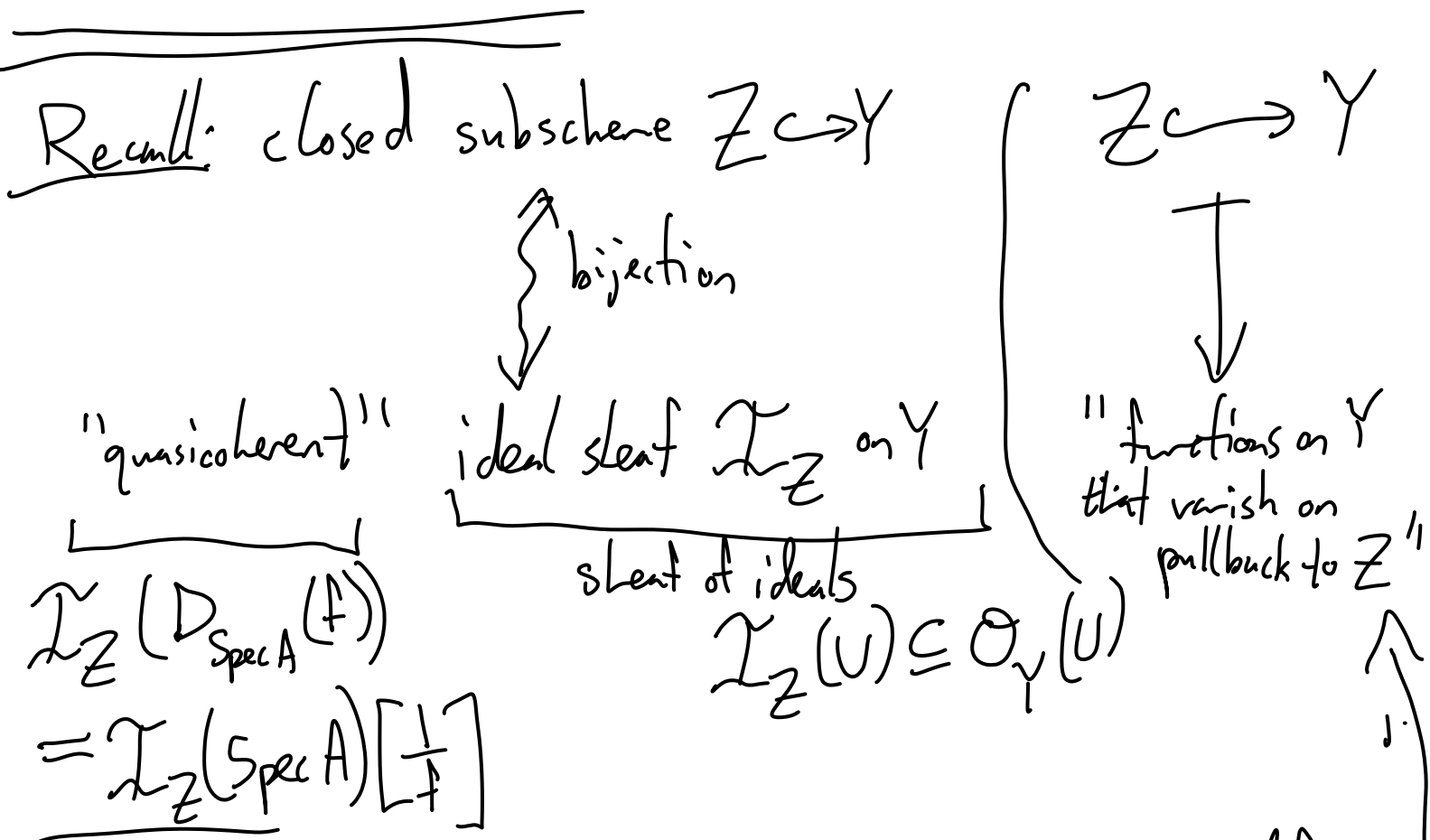
2) $v_d: \mathbb{P}_k^n \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^N$ is more complicated.

Note that ~~curves~~ ^{hypersurfaces} $V(f) \subset \mathbb{P}_k^n$ of deg d
~~deg $f = d$~~

correspond to hyperplanes $V(l) \subset \mathbb{P}_k^N$
 \curvearrowright deg $l = 1$

in the sense $v_d^{-1}(V(l)) = V(f)$.

Intuition: the Veronese embeddings are in some sense the "most complicated" or "universal" morphisms $\mathbb{P}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^m$.



Given any morphism $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$, we can define an ideal sheaf $\mathcal{I}_\pi := \ker(\mathcal{O}_Y \rightarrow \pi_* \mathcal{O}_X)$

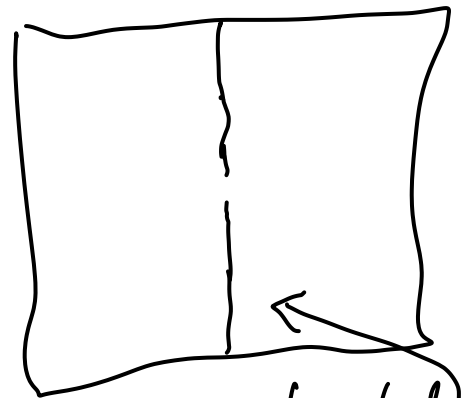
Lemma: Given any ideal sheaf $\mathcal{I} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_Y$, there is a unique maximal quasicoherent ideal sheaf $\mathcal{I}' \subseteq \mathcal{I}$.

Pf: Take the sum of all of the quasicoherent ideal sheaves contained in \mathcal{I} . \square

Def. The scheme-theoretic image of a morphism $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$ is the closed subscheme corresponding to the quasi-coherent ideal sheaf \mathcal{I}_π .

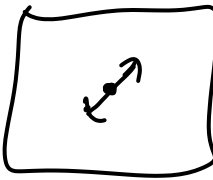
Note: This is the same thing as the "smallest closed subscheme $Z \subset Y$ s.t. $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$ factors through Z ".

Examples: 1) $\pi: \mathbb{A}_k^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_k^2$
 $(x, y) \mapsto (x, xy)$



(set-theoretic image is complement of)
 The scheme-theoretic image of π is all of \mathbb{A}_k^2 .

2) A morphism $\text{Spec } k[\varepsilon]/(\varepsilon^2) \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_k^2$

\hookrightarrow 
 can have image either a reduced or a non-reduced point
 (schem-theoretic)

$$k[x, y] \rightarrow k[\varepsilon]/\varepsilon^2$$

$$x \mapsto a + b\varepsilon$$

$$y \mapsto c + d\varepsilon$$

(schem-theoretic) \leadsto image located at (a, c) , reduced if $b=d=0$,
 otherwise non-reduced "in that direction"

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} V(x^2, y) = \hookrightarrow \\ V(x, y^2) = \downarrow \\ V((x-y)^2, x+y) = \nearrow \end{array} \right]$$

Lemma: If $\varphi: B \rightarrow A$ is a ring homomorphism, the image of $\varphi^*: \text{Spec } A \rightarrow \text{Spec } B$ is $\text{Spec } B / (\ker \varphi) \hookrightarrow \text{Spec } B$.

Some nice properties of scheme-theoretic image:

1) The image of a reduced scheme is reduced.
(problem set)

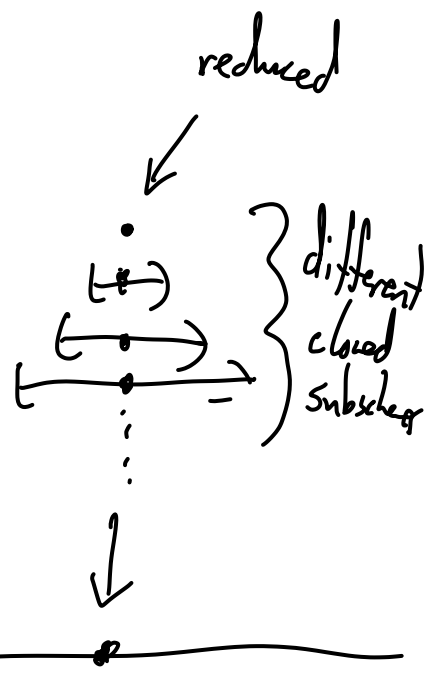
2) In nice situations (e.g. $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$ is quasicompact or X is reduced),
the underlying set of the scheme-theoretic image
is equal to the top. closure of the set-theoretic image.
(Thm 8.3.4 in Vakil)

(What can go wrong?)

$$\bigsqcup_{n>0} \text{Spec } k[\varepsilon_n]/(\varepsilon_n^n)$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \uparrow \varepsilon_n$$

$$\mathbb{A}_k^1 = \text{Spec } k[x]$$



set-theoretic image is one closed point,
but scheme-theoretic image is the entire line.

Idea: expect that given a closed subset $Z^{\text{set}} \subseteq Y$, there should exist a (unique) reduced closed subscheme with underlying set Z^{set} .

This will be the (induced) reduced subscheme structure on Z^{set} .

One construction: scheme-theoretic image of a morphism $X \rightarrow Y$ with image Z^{set} and with X reduced.

We can do this:

$$\coprod_{p \in Z^{\text{set}}} \text{Spec } k_p \rightarrow X$$

\rightsquigarrow ideal sheaf $\mathcal{I}(U) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{O}_X(U) \mid \begin{array}{l} f \text{ vanishes} \\ \text{at every point} \\ \text{of } Z^{\text{set}} \end{array} \right\}$

Another description:

$\mathcal{I}(\text{Spec } A)$ is the radical ideal corresponding to the closed subset $Z \cap \text{Spec } A \subseteq \text{Spec } A$.

"largest ideal cutting out $Z \cap \text{Spec } A$ "

Def: If X is a scheme, the induced reduced subscheme structure on $X \subseteq X$ defines a reduced closed subscheme $X^{\text{red}} \hookrightarrow X$
 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$ identity on sets,
 called the reduction of X .

(replace each affine open $\text{Spec } A \subseteq X$ with $\text{Spec}(A/\text{Nil}(A))$.)