

- Today:
- finish up with rational maps
 - proper morphisms briefly
 - start on dimension (last major topic this term)
 - notes on schedule for rest of term.
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Recall: a rat map $X \dashrightarrow Y$
was a morphism $\begin{matrix} \uparrow \text{dense} \\ \cup \\ \uparrow \text{open} \end{matrix}$

Last time: if X is reduced and Y is separated, then rat. maps have a well-defined domain of definition.

Today: Vakil 6.5.6.

Thm: Let k be a field. Then there is an $\mathbb{C}(t, u, \sqrt{tu^3})$
 (arrow-reversing) equivalence of categories \downarrow
 (irred. k -varieties $\xrightarrow{\text{adjoint finitely many variables + relations}}$
 $\xrightarrow{\text{dominant rational maps}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{dense image}}$ $\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{f.g. field extensions of } k, \\ k\text{-alg homomorphisms} \end{array} \right)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X & \xrightarrow{\quad} & K(X) = \mathcal{O}_{X, \eta} \\
 f: X \dashrightarrow Y & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{induced map} \\
 & & \mathcal{O}_{Y, \eta'} \xrightarrow{\quad} \mathcal{O}_{X, \eta}
 \end{array}$$

(Idea: open nbhd of η = dense opens (in irred. scheme))
 (Need to check: given f.g. field extension K/k ,
 take f.g. k -algebra A with $K(A) = A_{(0)} = K$, and
 then $\text{Spec } A$ works "on left", $\leftarrow K(\text{Spec } A) = K$.
 then also need to lift morphisms)

Cor: Two irred. k -varieties X, Y have isomorphic nonempty
 open subschemes $\iff K(X) \cong K(Y)$.
 $\mathcal{O}_{X, \eta}''$

$$X \cong \hat{A}_k$$

$Y = \text{Spec } k(t)$ is not a counterexample because Y is not finite type over k .

Def: A morphism $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$ is universally closed if every base change $X \times_Y Z \rightarrow Z$ is closed, i.e. sends closed sets to closed sets.

Def: A morphism is proper if it is separated, finite type, and universally closed.

Intuition: "classical" top. analogue is a cont. map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ s.t. if $Z \subseteq Y$ is compact, then so is $f^{-1}(Z)$, ("compact fibers").

$X \rightarrow \text{Spec } \mathbb{C}$ is proper \iff "classical points of X are compact Hausdorff"

Examples:

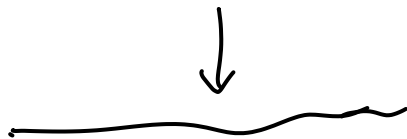
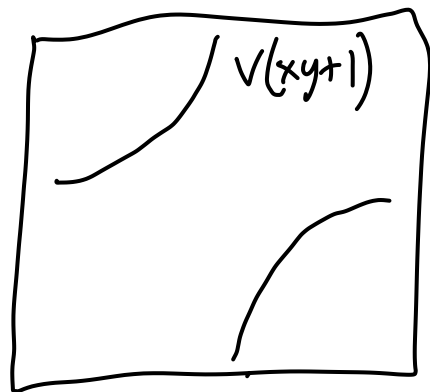
- 1) Finite morphisms are proper
(finite \Rightarrow finite type, finite \Rightarrow affine \Rightarrow separated,
recall finite morphisms are closed, hence univ. closed)

In particular, closed embeddings are proper.

- 2) $A_k^1 \rightarrow \text{Spec } k$ is not proper, because

$p_2: A_k^2 \rightarrow A_k^1$ is not closed,

since $p_2(V(xy+1)) = D(t) = A_k^1 - \{0\}$.



(intuition: \mathbb{C} is not compact.)

3) $\mathbb{P}_A^n \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$ is proper. ($\mathbb{C}P^1 = S^2$ is compact)

Enough to show that $\mathbb{P}_A^n \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$ is closed.

This is a somewhat tricky alg. result! (Thm 7.4.7 in Vakil).

4) Compositions of proper morphisms are proper, so
proj. A -schemes are proper over $\text{Spec } A$.

Remark: Not all proper k -schemes are proj, but it is
messy to construct a counterexample.

Example of using properness:

Prop: Let $k = \bar{k}$ and let X be a connected, proper k -variety. Then $\mathcal{O}_X(X) = k$.

reduced k -scheme

Pf: $f \in \mathcal{O}_X(X) \rightsquigarrow \pi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_k^1$.

Let π' be the composition $X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_k^1 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^1$.

Then $X \xrightarrow{\pi'} \mathbb{P}_k^1$

proper \searrow \circ \searrow separated, so by factorization,
 $\text{Spec } k$

$\pi': X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^1$ is proper, hence the set-theoretic image of π' is closed.

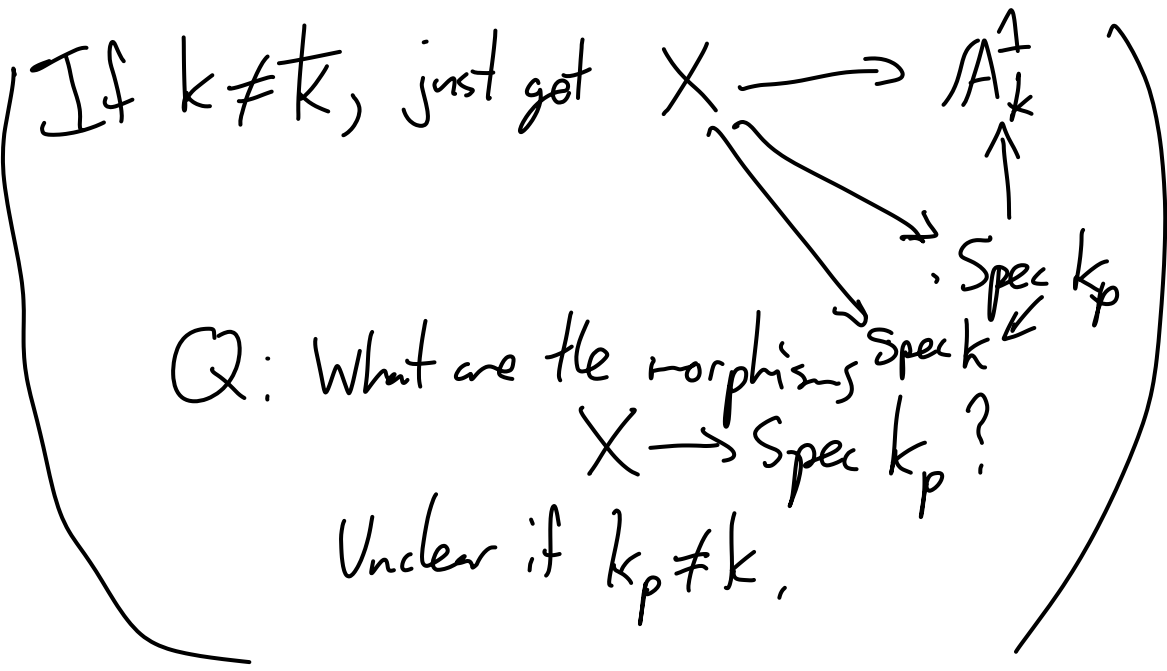
But $\text{im}(\pi') \subseteq \mathbb{A}_k^1 \subset \mathbb{P}_k^1$ and is connected (because X is conn.)

hence is a single closed point $p \in \mathbb{A}_k^1$.

So the scheme-theoretic image is also just p as a set and is reduced since X is reduced, so is just

$\text{Spec } k = p \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^1$. So $\pi': X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^1$ factors

through $\text{Spec } k$, so is just $X \xrightarrow{\text{structure morphism}} \text{Spec } k \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^1$. \square



Hard fact: finite \iff affine + proper.

Dimension:

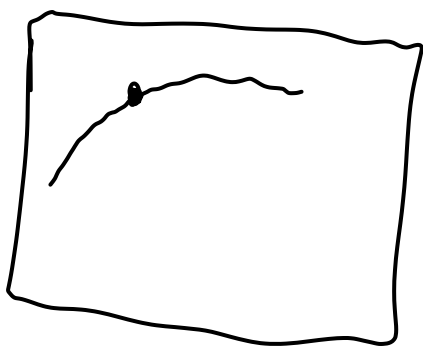
Expectations:

- 0) Any nonempty scheme X has a well-defined "dimension" $\dim X \in \{0, 1, \dots, +\infty\}$
- 1) A_k^n, P_k^n have dimension n .
- 2) $V(F) \subseteq X$ "usually" has dimension $\dim X - 1$.
- 3) If X is a \mathbb{C} -variety, $\dim X$ should be equal to the dimension of $X(\mathbb{C})$ "as an analytic space/ \mathbb{C} " (complex dimension, not real dimension)

Miracle: $\dim X$ only depends on the underlying top. space of X . (e.g. $\dim X = \dim X^{\text{red}}$)

Def.: The dimension of a top. space X , denoted $\dim X$, is the supremum of all $d \geq 0$ s.t. there exists a chain

$Z_0 \subset Z_1 \subset \dots \subset Z_d \subseteq X$ of distinct closed irred. $Z_i \subseteq X$.



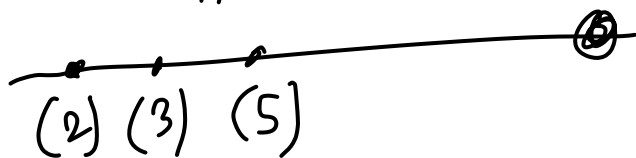
"point \subset curve \subset surface" \rightsquigarrow $\dim 2$.

Def.: If A is a ring, let $\dim A = \dim \text{Spec } A$
 $= \text{sup. of lengths of chains of prime ideals in } A$.
This is also called the Krull dimension of A .

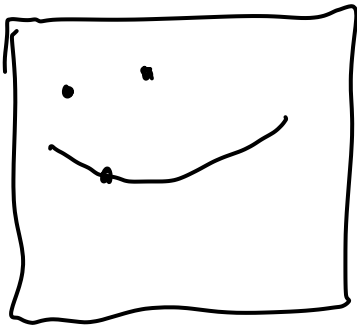
Examples:

0) $\text{Spec } k$ has $\dim 0$. More generally, if X is a finite k -scheme, then $\dim X = 0$. (since X is discrete).

1) A_k^1 has $\dim 1$, as does $\text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}$.



2) A_k^2 and $\text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}[t]$ have $\dim 2$.



3) Not easy to describe all closed irreeds in A_k^d for $d \geq 3$, so no direct way to compute dimension.

4) Finite morphisms preserve dimension.

Thm: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is finite, $\dim X = \dim \pi(X)$.

Pf: comm. alg.

Recall: Lying Over Thm: If $\varphi: B \hookrightarrow A$ is an integral extension and $q \subset B$ is prime, then there exists $\mathfrak{p} \subset A$ ^{prime} with $\varphi^{-1}(\mathfrak{p}) = q$ (i.e. $\varphi^*: \text{Spec } A \rightarrow \text{Spec } B$ is surjective).

A consequence:

Going Up Thm: If $\varphi: B \rightarrow A$ is an integral homomorphism, $q_0 \subset q_1 \subset \dots \subset q_d \subset B$ are prime, and $\mathfrak{p}_0 \subset A$ ^{prime} satisfies $\varphi^{-1}(\mathfrak{p}_0) = q_0$, then there exists a chain of prime ideals $\mathfrak{p}_0 \subset \mathfrak{p}_1 \subset \dots \subset \mathfrak{p}_d \subset A$ with $\varphi^{-1}(\mathfrak{p}_i) = q_i$ for all i .

Schedule:

Nov 19: dimension (Ch. 11/12)

next week: break, no scheduled office hours but feel welcome to e-mail me

Dec 1: dimension (Ch. 11/12)

Dec 3:] Sketch approaches/proofs

Dec 8:] to a sequence of thms about curves and projective varieties (e.g. Thm 16.5.1)

Final problem set will be posted on Nov 19 and due Dec 8.

It will be a little longer/harder, and deal with various dimension-related topics so might want to wait until Dec 1 for some of it.