Algebraic Geometry I Exercise Sheet 7 Due Date: 05.12.2013

Exercise 1:

Let (X, \mathcal{O}_X) be a prevariety over an algebraically closed field k. We construct a scheme associated with X as follows. Let t(X) be the set of all irreducible closed subsets of X. A subset of t(X) is said to be closed if it coincides with t(Y) for some closed subset $Y \subset X$.

- (i) Show that the above induces a topology on t(X).
- (ii) Show that $\iota_X : x \mapsto \{x\}$ induces a homeomorphism of X onto the set of closed points of t(X).

We define a sheaf of k-algebras $\mathcal{O}_{t(X)}$ on t(X) by setting $\mathcal{O}_{t(X)}(U) = \mathcal{O}_X(\iota_X^{-1}(U))$ for some open subset $U \subset t(X)$.

- (iii) Assume that X is affine and $\mathcal{O}_X(X) = A$. Show that $(t(X), \mathcal{O}_{t(X)})$ is a locally ringed space that is isomorphic to Spec A.
- (iv) Show that t(X) is a scheme and that $x \in t(X)$ is a closed point if and only if $\kappa(x) = k$.
- (v) Let $f: X \to Y$ be a morphism of prevarieties. Show that f induces a natural map of schemes $t(f): t(X) \to t(Y)$ and that the induced map

{morphisms $X \to Y$ of prevarieties} \longrightarrow {morphisms $t(X) \to t(Y)$ of k-schemes}

is bijective.

(Hint: Treat the affine case first.)

We will see later that the essential image of the functor t is the category of integral schemes of finite type over k.

Exercise 2:

(i) Let X be a scheme and A a commutative ring. Show that the canonical map

 $\operatorname{Hom}_{\operatorname{schemes}}(X, \operatorname{Spec} A) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_{\operatorname{rings}}(A, \mathcal{O}_X(X))$

is bijective.

(ii) Let R be a base ring. Let X be an R-scheme and A be an R-algebra. Show that there is a canonical bijection

 $\operatorname{Hom}_R(X, \operatorname{Spec} A) \longleftrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_{R-\operatorname{alg}}(A, \mathcal{O}_X(X)).$

(iii) Show that the category of schemes has a final and an initial object.

Exercise 3:

Let $\{X_i, i \in I\}$ be a family of schemes. For $i, j \in I$ with $i \neq j$ suppose given an open subset $U_{ij} \subset X_i$ with the induced scheme structure and isomorphisms $\varphi_{ij} : U_{ij} \to U_{ji}$ such that $\varphi_{ij}^{-1} = \varphi_{ji}$ and such that for $i, j, k \in I$ pairwise distinct one has $\varphi_{ij}(U_{ij} \cap U_{ik}) = U_{ji} \cap U_{jk}$ and $\varphi_{ik} = \varphi_{jk} \circ \varphi_{ij}$ on $U_{ij} \cap U_{ik}$.

Show that there is a scheme X together with open embeddings $\psi_i : X_i \to X$ such that $X = \bigcup_{i \in I} \psi_i(X_i)$ and $\psi_i(X_i) \cap \psi_j(X_j) = \psi_i(U_{ij})$ as well as $\psi_i|_{U_{ij}} = \psi_j \circ \varphi_{ij}$.

Exercise 4:

Let k be a field and let $(a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a family of pairwise distinct elements of k. Set

$$A = k[U, T_1, T_2, \dots] / ((U - a_i)T_{i+1} - T_i, T_i^2).$$

Describe Spec A as a topological space and show that $A_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is noetherian for every prime ideal $\mathfrak{p} \in \operatorname{Spec} A$. Show that A is not noetherian.

(Hint: Show that the nilradical of A is not finitely generated.)

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