

Algebraic Geometry 8

Graded k -algebras and rings

Def. Let R be a ring (or k -alg.). We say R is graded with graded abelian subgroup $R_d \subseteq R$ $\forall d \in \mathbb{N}$ such that
(k -vector space)

• $R = \bigoplus_{d \in \mathbb{N}} R_d$. In particular, for every element $f \in R$,
 $f = \sum_{d \in \mathbb{N}} f^{(d)}$ with finitely non-zero $f^{(d)}$
and $f^{(d)} \in R_d$.

• If $f \in R_d$, $g \in R_e$, then $f \cdot g \in R_{d+e}$.

Eg: \square $R = k[x_0, \dots, x_n]$, $R_d = \bigoplus_{m_0 + \dots + m_n = d} k \cdot x_0^{m_0} \dots x_n^{m_n}$

$\dim R_d$ (as k -vector space) =

\square $R = k[x, y] / \langle xy \rangle$ is graded.

Lemma: Let I, J be ideals in a graded ring R .

\square I is homogenous iff I is generated by homogenous elements.

\square If I and J are homogenous, then so are $I+J$, $I \cdot J$, $I \cap J$ and \sqrt{I} .

\square If I is homogenous then R/I is a graded ring with grading given by

$$R/I = \bigoplus_{d \in \mathbb{N}} R_d / R_d \cap I.$$

We will assume R is Noetherian (not required!).

Proof: [a] Suppose $I = \langle h_1, \dots, h_m \rangle$, with $h_i \in R^{(d_i)}$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, m$.

Any element $f \in R$ can be expressed as

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^m g_i h_i, \quad g_i \in R \text{ (not necessarily homog.)}$$

$$\text{Let } g_i = \sum_{j=0}^{e_j} g_i^{(j)}, \quad g_i^{(j)} \in R_j.$$

$$\text{Then } f = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=0}^{e_j} g_i^{(j)} \cdot h_i.$$

$$\text{Note that } f^{(d)} = \sum_{i=1}^m g_i^{(d-d_i)} h_i \in I.$$

Suppose for every $f \in I$, $f^{(d)} \in I$. Let

$$I = \langle h_1, \dots, h_m \rangle \text{ (since } R \text{ is Noetherian)}$$

$$\text{Let } h_i = h_i^{(0)} + \dots + h_i^{(d_i)}.$$

Then $h_i^{(j)} \in I$ for all $i=1, 2, \dots, m$ and all $j \geq 0$.

$$\text{Hence } I = \langle h_1^{(0)}, \dots, h_1^{(d_1)}, \dots, h_m^{(0)}, \dots, h_m^{(d_m)} \rangle.$$

[b] We will only show \sqrt{I} is homogenous. We shall use induction on degree d , where

$$f = f^{(0)} + \dots + f^{(d)}.$$

Assume $f \in \sqrt{I}$, then there exists $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} f^n &= (f^{(0)} + \dots + f^{(d)})^n \in I \\ &= (f^{(d)})^n + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n \binom{n}{i} (f^{(d)})^{n-i} (f^{(0)} + \dots + f^{(d-1)})^i}_{\text{lower degree terms!}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus, } (f^{(d)})^n \in I \Rightarrow f^{(d)} \in \sqrt{I}.$$

$$\Rightarrow f - f^{(d)} \in \sqrt{I}$$

Note $f - f^{(d)} = \underbrace{f^{(0)} + \dots + f^{(d-1)}} \in \sqrt{I}$, we use induction hypothesis to argue $f^{(j)} \in \sqrt{I} \forall j=0, \dots, d-1$.

□

□ Note that $R_d/R_d \cap I \rightarrow R/I$ is an injective group homomorphism.

$$\bar{f} \longrightarrow \bar{f}$$

Thus $R_d/R_d \cap I \subseteq R/I$ is an abelian group/ k -vector space.

Let $\bar{f} \in R/I$ and $f \in R$ be the representative of \bar{f} .

Consider the decomposition

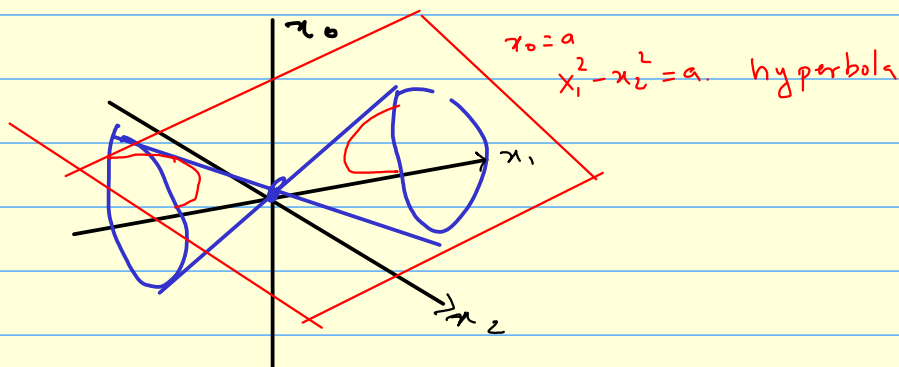
$$f = f^{(0)} + \dots + f^{(d)}, \quad f^{(j)} \in R_j.$$

Note that $\bar{f} = \bar{f}^{(0)} + \dots + \bar{f}^{(d)} \in R/I$ and $\bar{f}^{(j)} \in R_d/R_d \cap I$.

The decomposition above is unique: Suppose $\bar{f} = \sum_{j=0}^d \bar{g}^{(j)}$ and

$$g^{(d)} \in R \text{ be representative. Then } f^{(j)} - g^{(j)} \in I \Rightarrow \bar{f}^{(j)} = \bar{g}^{(j)}.$$

Eg: Let $f = x_1^2 - x_2^2 - x_0^2 \in k[x_0, x_1, x_2]$. What is the affine algebraic set $Z(f) \subseteq \mathbb{A}^3$?



Note that if $p = (a_0, a_1, a_2) \in Z(f) \Rightarrow \lambda \cdot p = (\lambda a_0, \lambda a_1, \lambda a_2) \in Z(f)$ for all $\lambda \in k$.

How are $Z(f) \subseteq \mathbb{A}^3$ and $Z(f) \subseteq \mathbb{P}^2$ related?
Cone!

Def: Let $\pi : \mathbb{A}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$ be the projection.
 $(x_0, \dots, x_n) \rightarrow [x_0 : \dots : x_n]$

□ An affine variety $X \subseteq \mathbb{A}^{n+1}$ is called a cone if $0 \in X$ and for every point $p \in X$, $\lambda \cdot p \in X$.

□ For a cone X , we call

$\mathbb{P}(X) = \pi(X \setminus \{0\}) = \{[x_0 : \dots : x_n] \in \mathbb{P}^n \mid (x_0, \dots, x_n) \in X \setminus \{0\}\} \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n$
the projectivization of X .

□ For a projective variety $X \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n$, the cone of X is

$$C(X) = \{0\} \cup \pi^{-1}(X) = \{0\} \cup \{(x_0, \dots, x_n) \mid [x_0 : \dots : x_n] \in X\} \subseteq \mathbb{A}^{n+1}.$$

Rem: □ Let $S \subseteq k[x_0, \dots, x_n]$ be a set of homogenous polynomials, then $Z(S) \subseteq \mathbb{A}^{n+1}$ is a cone: if $p \in Z(S)$, then $\lambda \cdot p \in Z(S)$ since $f(\lambda \cdot p) = \lambda^{\deg f} f(p) = 0$ for any $f \in S$.

□ Let $X \subseteq \mathbb{A}^{n+1}$ be a cone, then $I(X)$ is a homogenous ideal.

Let $f \in I(X)$ and let $f = f^{(0)} + \dots + f^{(d)}$ be homogenous decomposition.

For all $p \in X$ and $\lambda \in k$, we have $\lambda \cdot p \in X$ (X is cone). Thus

$$0 = f(\lambda \cdot p) = \sum_{j=0}^d \lambda^j f^{(j)}(p). \quad \forall \lambda \in k.$$

This implies $f^{(j)}(p) = 0$ for all $j=0, \dots, d$.

Hence $f^{(j)} \in I(X)$.

Def: Let $X \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n$ be a subset. The ideal of X is defined to be

$$I(X) := I(C(X)) = \{ f \in k[x_0, \dots, x_n] : f(p) = 0 \ \forall p \in C(X) \} \subseteq k[x_0, \dots, x_n].$$

By remark above, $I(X)$ is a homogenous ideal.

Lemma: There is a bijection

$$\{ \text{Cones in } \mathbb{A}^{n+1} \} \longleftrightarrow \{ \text{Projective alg. sets in } \mathbb{P}^n \}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \hat{X} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{P}(\hat{X}) \\ C(X) & \longleftarrow & X \end{array}$$

Proof: Check that for any $S \subseteq k[x_0, \dots, x_n]$ of non-constant homogenous polynomials,

$$C(\mathbb{P}(\hat{X})) = \hat{X} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{P}(C(X)) = X.$$

Question: Is there a bijection between homogenous ideals and projective varieties?

(Irrelevant ideal)

Consider $I_0 = \langle x_0, \dots, x_n \rangle \subseteq k[x_0, \dots, x_n]$. Note that

$$Z(I_0) = \{0\} \subseteq \mathbb{A}^{n+1} \quad \text{and} \quad Z(I_0) = \emptyset \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n$$

However, $Z(1) = \emptyset \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n$.

Projective Nullstellen satz:

[a] For any projective variety $X \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n$, we have

$$Z(I(X)) = X.$$

[b] For any homogenous ideal $J \subseteq k[x_0, \dots, x_n]$ such that $\sqrt{J} \neq I_0$, we have

$$I(Z(J)) = \sqrt{J}.$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Projective alg sets} \\ \text{in } \mathbb{P}^n \end{array} \right\} \xleftrightarrow{1:1} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{homogenous radical} \\ \text{ideals } J \subseteq k[x_0, \dots, x_n] \\ \text{with } J \neq I_0 \end{array} \right\}$