

Recall

Def  $W \subset \mathbb{A}^n$  quasi-affine variety

1)  $\varphi: W \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$  is regular at  $p$

if  $\exists$  open  $U \subset W, p \in U$  and  $f, g \in \mathbb{K}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$

such that  $g \neq 0$  on  $U$  and  $\varphi = \frac{f}{g}$  on  $U$ .

2)  $\varphi$  is regular if it is regular at all points.

3)  $V \subset \mathbb{A}^n, W \subset \mathbb{A}^m, \Phi: V \rightarrow W$

if  $\Phi = (\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m), \varphi_i = \text{regular}$ , that is, for all  $p$

there is an open  $U \ni p$  such that  $\Phi = \left( \frac{f_1}{g_1}, \dots, \frac{f_m}{g_m} \right)$

and  $g_i \neq 0$  on  $U$ .

Def  $W \subset \mathbb{P}^n$  quasi-projective (open in projective)

1)  $\varphi: W \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$  regular at  $p$  if there is an open

$U \ni p$  such that  $\varphi = \frac{f}{g}$  on  $U, g \neq 0$  on  $U$  and

$f, g = \text{homogeneous polynomials of the same degree in homogeneous coordinates.}$

Note:

$$\varphi(\lambda x_0, \dots, \lambda x_n) = \frac{f(\lambda x_0, \dots, \lambda x_n)}{g(\lambda x_0, \dots, \lambda x_n)} = \frac{\lambda^d f(x_0, \dots, x_n)}{\lambda^d g(x_0, \dots, x_n)} = \frac{f}{g} = \varphi$$

So  $\varphi$  is a well defined function on  $\{g \neq 0\} \subset \mathbb{P}^n$ .

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points.

c)  $\psi \cdot w \rightarrow \pi \rightarrow \dots$  prints.

3)  $V \in \mathbb{P}^n$ ,  $W \in \mathbb{P}^m$ ,  $\Phi: V \rightarrow W$  regular at  $P$  if  $\exists$  open  $U \ni p$  such that

$$\Phi(x_0: \dots: x_n) = [\psi_0(\bar{x}), \dots, \psi_m(\bar{x})]$$

where  $\psi_i$  are homogeneous polynomials in  $x_i$  of the same degree and  $\psi_i$  do not vanish simultaneously on  $U$ .

Notes: ① If  $\psi_i(\bar{x}) \neq 0$ , we can rewrite

$$[\psi_0(\bar{x}) : \dots : \psi_m(\bar{x})] = \left[ \frac{\psi_0}{\psi_i} : \dots : \frac{\psi_m}{\psi_i} \right]$$

homog. same degree

so we get a well-defined regular map

$$\Phi: U \rightarrow A^m = \{y_i \neq 0\}.$$

② If  $\Phi$  is given by rational functions

$$\Phi = \left[ \frac{f_0}{g_0} : \dots : \frac{f_m}{g_m} \right]$$

then we can clear denominators.

$$\Phi = [f_0 g_1 \dots g_m : \dots : f_m g_0 \dots g_{m-1}]$$

deg  $f_i = \deg g_i = d_i$

all these are polynomials of same degree  $\sum d_i$ .

Ex  $C = \{xy = z^2\} \subset \mathbb{P}^2$  w. coords  $[x: y: z]$ .

① Define map  $\mathbb{P}^1 \xrightarrow{\Phi} C$

$$\text{by } [a: b] \rightarrow [a^2: b^2: ab]$$

homog. degree 2

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② Define map  $\mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{\Psi} P^1$

$$[x:y:z] \xrightarrow{\Psi} \begin{cases} [x:z] & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ [z:y] & \text{if } y \neq 0. \end{cases}$$

Note that if  $x=y=0$ , then  $z \neq 0$  and  $[x:y:z]$  is not in  $P^2$ .

Also, whenever  $x \neq 0$  and  $y \neq 0$  we get  $z \neq 0$ , so

$$[x:z] = \left[ \frac{x}{z} : 1 \right] \stackrel{\text{since } xy = z^2}{=} \left[ \frac{z}{y} : 1 \right]$$

So the morphism  $\Psi: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow P^1$  is well defined on  $\{x \neq 0\} \cap \{y \neq 0\}$ .

Exercise  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  are inverse to each other, so  $\mathbb{C} \cong P^1$ .

Lemma Any regular function on  $P^h$  is a constant (everywhere).

Proof Assume  $\psi: P^h \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$  is regular

Define  $\tilde{\psi}: A^{h+1} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$  by the same formula.

Then  $\tilde{\psi}$  is regular on  $A^{h+1} \setminus \{0\}$  (prove it!).

$\Rightarrow$  by the result of last lecture  $\tilde{\psi} \in \mathbb{K}[x_0, \dots, x_h]$

is a polynomial. But  $\tilde{\psi}(x_0, \dots, x_h) = \tilde{\psi}(\lambda x_0, \dots, \lambda x_h)$

is a polynomial. But  $\tilde{\varphi}(x_0, \dots, x_n) = \tilde{\varphi}(\lambda x_0, \dots, \lambda x_n)$   
 $\Rightarrow \tilde{\varphi}$  is a constant.

In fact, much stronger statement is true.

Then  $X \subset \mathbb{P}^n$  irreducible projective alg. set.

Then any global function on  $X$  is a constant.

Proof: Assume  $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$  is regular.

Cover  $\mathbb{P}^n$  by affine charts  $U_i = \{x_i \neq 0\}$

$X \cap U_i =$  affine alg. subset  $\subset U_i = \mathbb{A}^n$

$\Rightarrow \varphi|_{X \cap U_i} = g\left(\frac{x_0}{x_i}, \dots, \frac{x_n}{x_i}\right)$  polynomial of degree  $N_i$

$\Rightarrow x_i^{N_i} \varphi$  is a polynomial (mod  $I(X)$ ) for all  $i$ .

Pick  $N \gg \sum N_i$ , then  $G \cdot \varphi$  is a polynomial of degree  $N$

for any monomial  $G$  of degree  $N$ .

$\Rightarrow G \cdot \varphi^k$  is a polynomial of degree  $N$

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Then  $\frac{\mathbb{K}[x]}{I(X)} \subset \frac{\mathbb{K}[x]}{I(X)} \oplus \varphi \frac{\mathbb{K}[x]}{I(X)} \subset \frac{\mathbb{K}[x]}{I(X)} + \varphi \frac{\mathbb{K}[x]}{I(X)} + \varphi^2 \frac{\mathbb{K}[x]}{I(X)} \subset \dots \subset G^{-1} \frac{\mathbb{K}[x]}{I(X)}$ .

Since  $\frac{\mathbb{K}[x]}{I(X)}$  is Noetherian, this eventually stabilizes  $\frac{\mathbb{K}[x]}{I(X)}$

and  $\varphi^k = a_{k-1} \varphi^{k-1} + \dots + a_0$  for some

(\*)  $1 \quad 1 \quad \dots \quad 1 \quad \dots \quad a_{k-1} \quad \dots \quad a_0$

$$\text{mod } \varphi = a_{k-1} \varphi + \dots + a_0 \text{ mod } I(X) \quad \text{for some } a_i \in \mathbb{K}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$$

But  $\varphi$  has degree 0  $\Rightarrow$  we can just consider the homogeneous component of (\*) of degree 0:

$$p^k = a_{k-1}(0) \varphi^{k-1} + \dots + a_0(0)$$

$\Rightarrow \varphi$  is a solution of a monic polynomial w. constant coefficients. Since  $\mathbb{K}$  is alg. closed,

$$\exists \varphi - r_i = 0 \text{ mod } I(X) \quad r_i \in \mathbb{K}$$

$\Rightarrow X = \bigcup \{ \varphi = r_i \}$ . Since  $X$  is irreducible,  $\varphi \equiv r_i$  for some  $i \Rightarrow \varphi$  is constant.  $\square$

Remark The condition that  $X$  is irreducible is important: for example, any finite set of points is a projective alg. set (prove it!) and we can choose different functions at different points.

Remark In complex analysis, Liouville's theorem says that whenever  $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is holomorphic and  $X$  is a compact, connected complex manifold then  $\varphi$  is constant. Any closed subset of  $\mathbb{P}^n$  is compact.

$\varphi$  is constant. Any connected closed subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is compact.