

The Zariski Topology:

varieties \leftrightarrow radical ideals

irr. varieties \leftrightarrow prime ideals



Last Time: R UFD. Then

minimal primes \leftrightarrow principal primes
(irr. hypersurfaces) ✓

Now: Let \mathbb{F} be alg closed.

maximal (prime) ideals $\subseteq \mathbb{F}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ \leftrightarrow points $\vec{p} \in \mathbb{F}^n$

$$M_{\vec{p}} \leftrightarrow \vec{p}$$

The Hard Part (Weak NSS).

TFAE:

(1) $V(I) = \emptyset \Rightarrow I = \mathbb{F}[\vec{x}]$

(2) Every maximal $M \subseteq \mathbb{F}[\vec{x}]$ has

the form $M_{\vec{p}}$ for some point \vec{p} .

Proof: (1) \Rightarrow (2): Let $M \neq \mathbb{F}[\vec{x}]$

be maximal. Then we know from weak NSS that $V(M) \neq \emptyset$,
say $\vec{p} \in V(M)$. But then have

$$M \subseteq M_{\vec{p}}$$

Since $V(M) = \{ \vec{p} : f(\vec{p}) = 0 \forall f \in M \}$,

By maximality of M , $M = M_{\vec{p}}$. \checkmark

(2) \Rightarrow (1): Consider any ideal $I \neq \mathbb{F}[\vec{x}]$.

We will show $V(I) \neq \emptyset$. Indeed,

if I is not maximal $\exists I = I_1 \subsetneq I_2$.

If I_2 not maximal $\exists I = I_1 \subsetneq I_2 \subsetneq I_3$.

This must stop because $\mathbb{F}[\vec{x}]$ is

Noetherian (by HBT). Thus \exists

maximal ideal $M_{\vec{p}} \supseteq I$, which

implies $\vec{p} \in V(I)$, i.e., $V(I) \neq \emptyset$.

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What is in between points & hypersurfaces in \mathbb{F}^n ?

Let's deal with the formal structure first. This has nothing to do with polynomials.

Abstract Galois Connection:

Let (P, \leq) , (Q, \leq) be partially ordered sets. Pair of maps $*$: $P \rightarrow Q$ & $*$: $Q \rightarrow P$ called "Galois Connection" if

$$\forall p \in P, \forall q \in Q, p \leq q^* \Leftrightarrow q \leq p^*.$$

$$(a) p \leq p^{**}, q \leq q^{**}$$

$$(b) p_1 \leq p_2 \Rightarrow p_2^* \leq p_1^* \\ q_1 \leq q_2 \Rightarrow q_2^* \leq q_1^*$$

$$(c) P^* = P^{***} \text{ \& } Q^* = Q^{***}$$

$$(d) P^* = \{p^* : p \in P\}, Q^* = \{q^* : q \in Q\}.$$

Then have an ^{anti-}isomorphism of posets:

$$*: Q^* \xrightarrow{\sim} P^* : *$$

[Bijection reversing order.]

(e) IF (P, \leq, \vee, \wedge) , (Q, \leq, \vee, \wedge) are lattices, meaning $\{p_i\} \in P$ has least upper bound $\vee_i p_i \in P$ greatest lower bound $\wedge_i p_i \in P$.

Then we have

$$(\vee_i p_i)^* = \wedge_i p_i^*$$

and similarly for Q . ///

Proof: (a): Let $q = p^*$ so that

$$p^* \leq p^* \Rightarrow q \leq p^*$$

$$\Rightarrow p \leq q^* \Rightarrow p \leq p^{**} \quad \checkmark$$

(b): Let $p_1 \leq p_2$. From (c) we have

$$p_1 \leq p_2 \leq p_2^{**} \Rightarrow (p_1)^* \leq (p_2^*)^*$$

Hence by definition, $(p_2^*) \leq (p_1^*)^*$ ✓

(c): On one hand since $p^{**} \leq p^{**}$
i.e. $(p^{**}) \leq (p^*)^*$, then by definition

$$(p^*) \leq (p^{**})^* \text{ i.e. } p^* \leq p^{***}.$$

On the other hand, from (a) we have

$p \leq p^{**}$ then from (b) we have

$$(p^{**})^* \leq (p)^*, \text{ i.e., } p^{***} \leq p^*. \quad \checkmark$$

(d): First we show $*$: $Q^* \rightarrow P^*$ is bijective, Surjective: Every element of P^* looks like p^* for some $p \in P$.

By (c) have $p^* = p^{***} = (p^{**})^*$ so

that $*$ sends $p^{**} = (p^*)^* \in Q^*$

to the element $p^* \in P^*$, //

Injective: Suppose $\exists g_1^*, g_2^* \in Q^*$

that get sent to the same element

$$g_1^{**} = g_2^{**} \text{ of } P^*.$$

Then applying (c) again gives

$$(g_1^{**})^* = (g_2^{**})^*$$

$$g_1^* = g_2^* \quad \checkmark$$

Thus we have a bijection

$$* : Q^* \leftrightarrow P^* : *$$

which reverses order by part (b).

(e): I.O.U.



Remarks :

• We have already seen an example.

Let $\varphi: R \rightarrow S$ be a ring hom.

Then the pair :

$$\varphi : (Z^R, \leq) \cong (Z^S, \geq) ; \varphi^{-1}$$

is an abstract Galois connection.

Indeed for all $x \in R, y \in S,$

$$\varphi[x] \leq y \iff x \in \varphi^{-1}[y].$$

Check:

$$\varphi[X] \subseteq Y \Leftrightarrow \forall x \in X, \varphi(x) \in Y$$
$$\Leftrightarrow X \subseteq \varphi^{-1}[Y].$$

Get an order-preserving bijection of posets:

$$\varphi: \underbrace{\varphi^{-1}[Z^S]} \leftrightarrow \underbrace{\varphi[Z^R]}: \varphi^{-1}$$

what are these?

$$\varphi[Z^R] = \left\{ \varphi[\underbrace{\varphi^{-1}(J)}_J] : J \subseteq R \text{ ideals} \right\}$$
$$= \left\{ \text{all ideals} \right\}$$

$$\varphi^{-1}[Z^S] = \left\{ \varphi^{-1}[\underbrace{\varphi(J)}_J + \ker \varphi] : J \subseteq S \text{ ideal} \right\}$$
$$= \left\{ \text{all ideals} \supseteq \ker \varphi \right\}.$$



Key Point: For a Galois connection we get a bijection between closed

elements on each side:

$$p = p^{**} \quad \& \quad g = g^{**}$$

The hard part in any specific example is to determine exactly which elements are "closed".