

## Notation

$K$  - a field i.e.  $\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{F}_q$   $\leftarrow$  finite field

$\mathbb{Q}(t)$  = field of rational functions

Algebraic closures with  $\bar{\mathbb{R}}, \bar{\mathbb{R}}, \bar{\mathbb{Q}}$

## Polynomial rings

$K[x_1, \dots, x_n] \supseteq$  Poly ring in  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  over  $K$

All of the algebraic constructions work over

$R =$  a commutative ring with a unit  $1 \in R$

Unless stated otherwise  $R = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$

$K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  - finite dimensional V. space over  $K$   
with basis of monomials

$$X^a = x_1^{a_1} \dots x_n^{a_n} \quad a \in \mathbb{N}^n$$

Every polynomial is:

$$f = \sum_a c_a X^a$$

$\uparrow$   
 $c_a \in K$

The degree of  $f = \deg(f) = \max |a| = a_1 + \dots + a_n$   
s.t.  $c_a \neq 0$ .

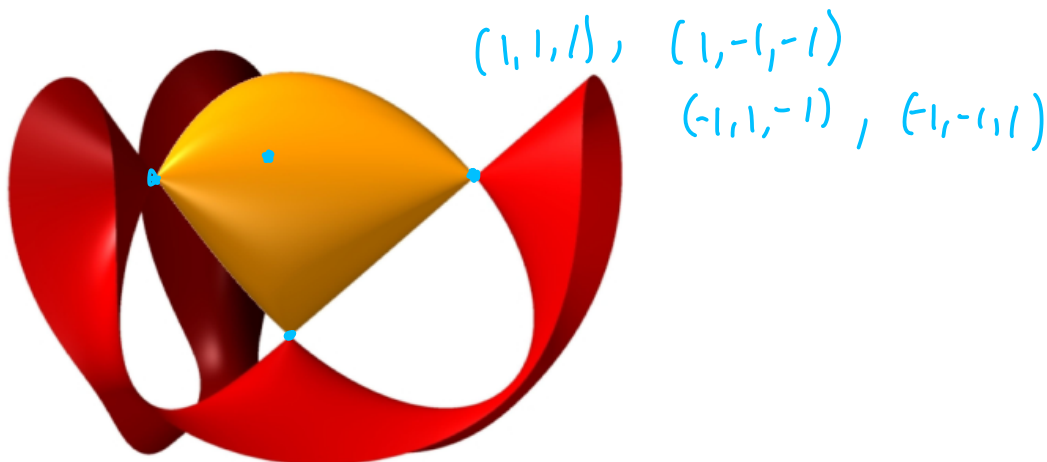
Ex]

$$f = \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & y \\ x & 1 & z \\ y & z & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 2xyz - x^2 - y^2 - z^2 + 1$$

The zero set of  $f$

$$= V(f) = \{ (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid f(x, y, z) = 0 \}$$

The points where  $M$  drops rank.



$f$  has 4 singular points, that is points where

$$\frac{df}{dx} = \frac{df}{dy} = \frac{df}{dz} = 0 \text{ and } f = 0$$

These points are where  $M$  has  $\text{rank}(M) = 1$ .

Ideal in  $R$  is a (non-empty) subset  $I \subseteq R$  s.t.

$$f \in R, g \in I \Rightarrow fg \in I$$

$$f, g \in I \Rightarrow f+g \in I.$$

Def 2

$I \subseteq R$  is an ideal iff  $\exists$  a ring hom.

$$\phi: R \rightarrow S \text{ s.t. } \ker(\phi) = \phi^{-1}(0) = I.$$

↑  
some com. ring  $S$

Prop | if  $I \subseteq R$  is an ideal  $R/I$  is a ring

Notation | Given a subset  $F \subseteq R$

$\langle F \rangle =$  smallest ideal containing  $F$

in  $R = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ ,  $f_1, \dots, f_m \in R$

$$\langle f_1, \dots, f_m \rangle = \left\{ \sum h_i f_i \mid h_i \in K[x_1, \dots, x_n] \right\}$$

Fact/Def |  $I, J$  are ideals in  $R$ , the following are ideals

$I+J$   $\underbrace{\quad}_{g \in \text{intension}}$ , the  $I \cap J$   $\underbrace{\quad}_{g \in \text{union}}$

the Quotient/colon

$$I:J = \langle f \in R \mid f \cdot J \subseteq I \rangle$$

$$IJ = \langle fg \mid f \in I, g \in J \rangle$$

$K[x]$  is a Principal ideal domain (PID)

$\updownarrow$   
every ideal is generated by one element.

in  $K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  every polynomial can be uniquely factored

so  $K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is a Unique Factorization Domain

However  $K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is not a PID

$\langle x_1, x_2 \rangle$  is not Principal

UFD

Def |  $f \neq 0$  in a ring  $R$  is called

• a nilpotent if  $f^m = 0$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$

• a zero divisor if  $\exists g \neq 0 \in R$  s.t.  $gf = 0$

$R$  is an integral domain if it has no zero divisors and  $1 \neq 0$  i.e.  $\{0\}$  is a ring, but not an integral domain

Let  $I$  be an ideal in  $R$ , we have the following

Property	Def.	$R/I$
$I$ is maximal	no proper ideal contains $I$	is a field
$I$ is prime	$f \cdot g \in I \Rightarrow f \in I \vee g \in I$	is an integral domain
$I$ is radical	$(\exists s \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } f^s \in I) \Rightarrow f \in I$	has no nilpotent elements
$I$ is primary	$f \cdot g \in I$ and $g \notin I \Rightarrow (\exists s \in \mathbb{N} : f^s \in I)$	all zero divisors are nilpotent

Maximal, prime, primary ideals are proper

Ex |  $I = \langle x^2 + 10x + 34, 3y - 2x - 13 \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{R}[x, y]$

is maximal since

$$\mathbb{C} \cong \mathbb{R}[x, y] / I$$

$$i \mapsto \frac{1}{13}(x + 5y)$$

Proposition | we have the following implications  $I \subseteq R$

$I$  is maximal  $\Rightarrow I$  is prime  $\Rightarrow I$  is radical  
 $\Rightarrow I$  is primary.

Further  $I$  radical and primary  $\Rightarrow$  prime.

Every intersection of prime ideals is radical.

Proof | If  $I$  is maximal  $\Rightarrow R/I$  is a field  $\therefore R/I$  has no zero divisors.

Suppose  $I$  is prime, show  $I$  is radical.

ie show  $f^s \in I \Rightarrow f \in I$

Use induction

$f \in I \Rightarrow f \in I \quad s=1$

now by induction  $f^{s-1} \in I \Rightarrow f \in I$   
set  $g = f^{s-1}$

If  $f^s = g \cdot f \in I \Rightarrow$  either  $f \in I$   
or  $g \in I, g = f^{s-1}$   $\square$

Show radical + primary  $\Rightarrow$  prime

Let  $I$  radical primary

Suppose  $f \cdot g \in I$  and  $f \notin I$

Since  $I$  is primary  $\Rightarrow g^s \in I$  for some  $s$

but  $I$  is radical  $\therefore g \in I \therefore I$  is prime

The Arrows in the proposition above are not reversible

$$\text{In } R = \mathbb{R}[x, y]$$

•  $I = \langle x^2 \rangle$  is primary, but not radical  
(  $R/I$  has nilpotent elements i.e.  
 $x \in R/I$  is nilpotent )

•  $I = \langle x(x-1) \rangle$  is radical but not primary  
(  $x, x-1$  are zero divisors in  $R/I$   
but are not nilpotent )

•  $I = \langle x \rangle$  is prime but not maximal  
 $R/I \cong \mathbb{R}[y]$  which is not a field.

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