

Cor 2.69 Let  $\varphi: V \rightarrow W$  be a finite morphism. Then, any point  $Q \in W$  has only finitely many preimages  $P \in V$ .

Pf Assume  $Q \in \varphi(V)$ .

$\Rightarrow$  The restriction  $\varphi: \varphi^{-1}(Q) \rightarrow \{Q\}$  is a surjective finite morphism.

$$\Rightarrow \dim(\varphi^{-1}(Q)) = \dim(\{Q\}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow |\varphi^{-1}(Q)| < \infty. \quad \square$$

Thm 2.69 (lying over property) Any dominant finite morphism  $\varphi: V \rightarrow W$  is surjective.

Pf Let  $Q \in W$  and let  $\mathfrak{m}$  be the maximal ideal of  $\Gamma(W)$  corresponding to  $Q$ . (= the set of functions on  $W$  vanishing at  $Q$ )

Recall that  $\varphi(P) = Q \Leftrightarrow \varphi(P) \in V(\mathfrak{m}) \Leftrightarrow P \in V(\underbrace{\varphi^*(\mathfrak{m})}_{\subseteq \Gamma(V)})$

$$\text{So } \varphi^{-1}(Q) = V(\varphi^*(\mathfrak{m})).$$

Let  $\mathfrak{I}$  be the ideal of  $\Gamma(V)$  generated by  $\varphi^*(\mathfrak{m})$ .

$$\Rightarrow \text{If } \varphi(Q) = \emptyset, \text{ then } \mathfrak{I} = \Gamma(V).$$

$\uparrow$   
Nullstellensatz

Let  $\Gamma(V)$  be generated by  $b_1, \dots, b_r$  as a  $\varphi^*(\Gamma(W))$ -module.

$\Rightarrow$  We can write any element of  $\Gamma(V)$  as a lin. combination of  $b_1, \dots, b_r$  with coeff. in  $\varphi^*(\Gamma(W))$ .

$\Rightarrow$  We can write any element of  $I$  as a lin. combination of  $b_1, \dots, b_r$  with coeff. in  $\varphi^*(\mathfrak{m})$ .

$\Rightarrow$  If  $I = \Gamma(V)$ , we can write

$$b_i = \varphi^*(p_{i1})b_1 + \dots + \varphi^*(p_{ir})b_r \text{ with } p_{i1}, \dots, p_{ir} \in \varphi^*(\mathfrak{m}).$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \varphi^*(p_{11}) & \dots & \varphi^*(p_{1r}) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \varphi^*(p_{r1}) & \dots & \varphi^*(p_{rr}) \end{pmatrix}}_M \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_r \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_r \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\underbrace{I_r}_{\substack{r \times r \text{ identity} \\ \text{matrix}}} - M) \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_r \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(I_r - M) = 0$$

as in the proof of Lemma 2.17

But all entries of  $M$  lie in  $\varphi^*(\mathfrak{m})$ .

Expanding the determinant, we see that

$$0 = \det(I_r - M) = 1 + c \text{ for some } c \in \varphi^*(m).$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \in \varphi^*(m)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \in m \quad \begin{array}{c} \swarrow \\ \searrow \end{array}$$

$\varphi$  is dominant,  
so  $\varphi^*$  is injective

□

Cor 2.70 Any finite morphism  $\varphi: V \rightarrow W$   
is closed: The image  $\varphi(A)^{\subseteq W}$  of every closed  
set  $A \subseteq V$  is closed (=alg.) (=alg.)

Ex The proj.  $K^2 \rightarrow K$  is not closed because  
the image of  $\{(x, y) \mid xy = 1\}$  is not closed.

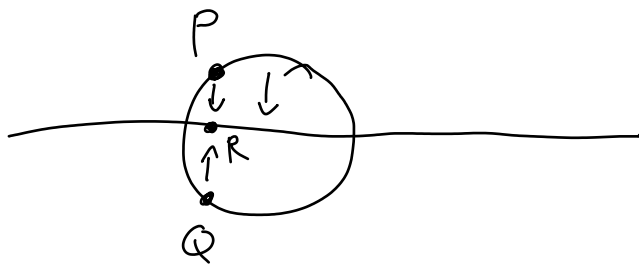
Pf  $\varphi: A \rightarrow \overline{\varphi(A)}$  is a dominant finite  
morphism, hence surjective.

$\Rightarrow \varphi(A) = \overline{\varphi(A)}$ , so  $\varphi(A)$  is closed. □

## Lemma 2.72 (Incomparability)

Let  $\varphi: V \rightarrow W$  be a finite morphism and let  $V_1 \subsetneq V_2 \subseteq V$  be alg. subsets with  $V_2$  irreducible. Then  $\varphi(V_1) \subsetneq \varphi(V_2) \subseteq W$ .

Prmk This can fail if  $V_2$  is reducible:



$$V_1 = \{P\} \rightsquigarrow \varphi(V_1) = \{R\}$$

$$V_2 = \{P, Q\} \rightsquigarrow \varphi(V_2) = \{R\}$$

Prmk We'll soon show that  $V_1 \subsetneq V_2$ ,

$V_2$  irreducible implies that

$$\dim(V_1) < \dim(V_2)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \parallel & & \parallel \\ \dim(\varphi(V_1)) & & \dim(\varphi(V_2)) \end{array}$$

Pf w.l.o.g.  $V = V_2$ ,  $\varphi(V) = W$ .

Let  $0 \neq f \in \Gamma(V)$  with  $f|_{V_1} = 0$ .

Since  $\Gamma(V)$  is an integral ext. of  $\varphi^*(\Gamma(W))$ ,

there is a monic polynomial equation

$$f^n + \varphi^*(c_{n-1})f^{n-1} + \dots + \varphi^*(c_0) = 0$$

with  $c_{n-1}, \dots, c_0 \in \Gamma(W)$ . Pick one of smallest possible degree  $n$ .

$$\Rightarrow \varphi^*(c_0)|_{V_1} = -f^n - \varphi^*(c_{n-1})f^{n-1} - \dots - \varphi^*(c_1)f|_{V_1} = 0.$$

If  $\varphi(V_1) = W$ , then  $\Gamma(W) \xrightarrow{\varphi^*} \Gamma(V) \xrightarrow{i^*} \Gamma(V_1)$   
 $g \mapsto g|_{V_1}$

is injective because  $V_1 \hookrightarrow V \rightarrow W$  is dominant (actually surjective).

$$\Rightarrow c_0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{n-1} + \varphi^*(c_{n-1})f^{n-2} + \dots + \varphi^*(c_1) = 0$$

monic pol. eq. of degree  $n-1 < n$ .  $\xi$

$f \neq 0$  and  $\Gamma(V)$  is an integral domain because  $V$  is irreducible

□

Lemma 2.73 Let  $\varphi: V \rightarrow W$  be a dominant finite morphism and let  $B$  be an irreducible subset of  $W$ . Decompose  $\varphi^{-1}(B)$  into irred. components:  $\varphi^{-1}(B) = A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_r$ .

Then,  $\varphi(A_i) = B$  for some component  $A_i$ .

$$\text{Ql } B = \varphi(\varphi^{-1}(B)) = \underbrace{\varphi(A_1)}_{\text{closed}} \cup \dots \cup \underbrace{\varphi(A_r)}_{\text{closed}}$$

$\uparrow$   
 $\varphi$  surjective

$B$  irred,  $\varphi(A_1), \dots, \varphi(A_r)$  closed

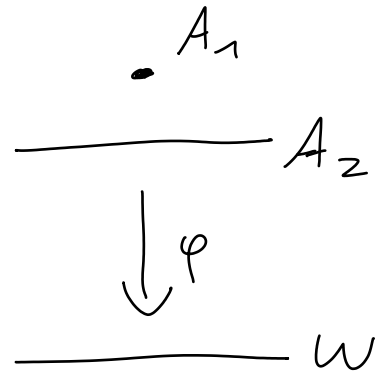
$\Rightarrow \varphi(A_i) = B$  for some  $i$ .

□

Prblm We might not have  $\varphi(A_i) = B$  for all components  $A_i$

Exe

$$V = \{(x, y) \mid y=0\} \cup \{(0, 1)\}$$

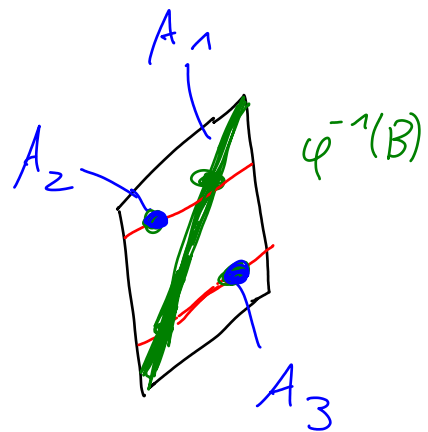


$$\begin{array}{ccc} \downarrow & \begin{array}{c} (x, y) \\ \downarrow \\ x \end{array} & \text{is finite} \\ B=W=K & & \end{array}$$

Problem:  $V$  not irreducible

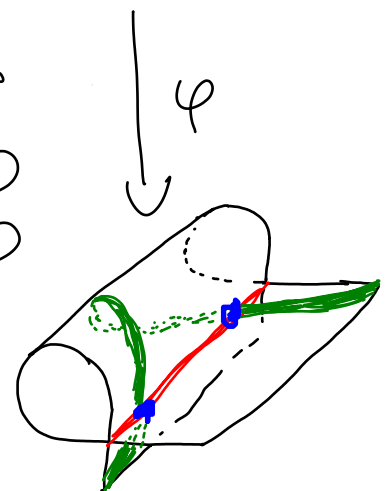
Exe

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V = K^2 & (t, u) & \\ \varphi \downarrow & \downarrow & \\ W = \{(x, y, z) \mid x^2(x+1) = y^2\} & (t^2-1, t(t^2-1), u) & \end{array}$$



$\varphi$  is finite because  $T, U \in \Gamma(V)$  is integral over  $\varphi^*(\Gamma(W))$ :  $T^2 - 1 - X = 0$   
 $U - Z = 0$

$$B = \varphi(\underbrace{\{(t, u) \mid t=u\}}_{\cong K}) \text{ irreducible}$$



$$\varphi^{-1}(B) = \underbrace{\{(t, u) \mid t=u\}}_{A_1} \cup \underbrace{\{(1, -1)\}}_{A_2} \cup \underbrace{\{(-1, 1)\}}_{A_3}$$

Problem:  $W$  not normal

Def An irreducible algebraic set  $V \subseteq K^n$  is normal if the ring  $\Gamma(V)$  is integrally closed in its field of fractions  $K(V)$ .

Ex  $K^n$  is normal.

Prf  $\Gamma(V) = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is a unique factorization domain and hence integrally closed in its field of fractions by Thm 2.15.  $\square$

Thm 2.74 (Going down)

Let  $V$  be an irreducible alg. set and let  $W$  be a normal alg. set. Let  $\varphi: V \rightarrow W$  be a dominant finite morphism. Let  $B$  be an irreducible subset of  $W$  and decompose  $\varphi^{-1}(B)$  into irred. comp.:  $\varphi^{-1}(B) = A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_r$ .

Then  $\varphi(A_i) = B$  for every component  $A_i$ .

Prf later...

## 2.16. Noether normalisation

Thm 2.75 (Noether normalisation)

Let  $R$  be a finitely generated ring ext. of  $K$  and an integral domain with field of fractions  $L$ .

( $\Rightarrow L$  is a fin. gen. field ext. of  $K$ )

Let  $n = \text{trdeg}(L|K)$ . Then, there are elements  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in R$  such that  $R$  is an integral ext. of  $K[a_1, \dots, a_n]$ .

Prblm  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  form a transcendence basis of  $L$  over  $K$ .

Pf of Prblm every el. of  $R$  is algebraic over  $K(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ .  $\Rightarrow$  Every el. of its field of fractions is alg. over  $K(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ .  $\square$

Cor 2.76 Let  $V$  be an irred. alg. set of dimension  $n$ . Then, there is a dominant finite morphism  $V \rightarrow K^n$ .

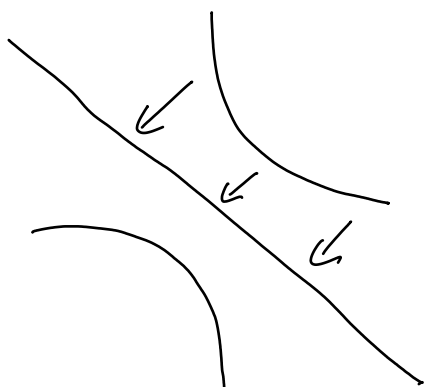
Pf of Cor Apply Thm to  $R = \Gamma(V)$  and use the finite morphism

$$\begin{array}{l|l} \varphi: V \rightarrow K^n & \varphi^*: K[x_1, \dots, x_n] \rightarrow \Gamma(V) \\ p \mapsto (a_1(p), \dots, a_n(p)) & x_i \mapsto a_i \end{array}$$

$\square$



Exe The projections of  $V = \{(x, y) \mid xy = 1\}$  onto the  $x$ - or  $y$ -axis is dominant, but not surjective!



However, the projection

$$\begin{aligned} V &\longrightarrow U \\ (x, y) &\longmapsto x + y \end{aligned}$$

is surjective:

The preimages of  $t \in U$  are the points  $(x, y)$  where  $x$  is a solution to  $x^2 - tx + 1 = 0$  and  $y = t - x$ .

It's actually a finite morphism.