

14 6. Dimension

Def The dimension of an ^(irred.) alg.-set $\emptyset \neq V \subseteq \mathbb{P}_K^n$

is the largest length d of a chain

$V_0 \subsetneq V_1 \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq V_d = V$ of irred. alg.-subsets V_i .

Thm 6.1

For any alg. $\emptyset \neq V \subseteq \mathbb{P}_K^n$:

a) $\dim(V) = \dim(\mathcal{L}(V)) - 1$

b) If V is irreducible and

$\varphi: K^n \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_K^n$ is an affine patch
with $\varphi^{-1}(V) \neq \emptyset$

$$\dim(V) = \dim(\varphi^{-1}(V)).$$

Proof b) can fail if V is reducible:

e.g. $V = \{\text{point}\} \cup (\text{line at infinity})$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi^{-1}(V) = \{\text{point}\}.$$

Pl ^(for V irred.) ~~By Thm 3.5.3, we can assume that V is irreducible (even in a).~~

For any chain

$$V_0 \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq V_d \subseteq V \text{ of irred. sets,}$$

we obtain a chain

$$\{\emptyset\} = \ell(\emptyset) \subsetneq \ell(V_0) \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq \ell(V_d) \subseteq \ell(V) \text{ of irred. sets.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(\ell(V)) \geq \dim(V) + 1$$

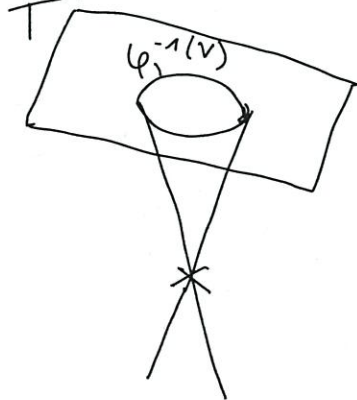
For any chain

$$W_0 \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq W_d \subseteq \varphi^{-1}(V) \text{ of irred. sets,}$$

we obtain a chain

$$\overline{\varphi(W_0)} \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq \overline{\varphi(W_d)} \subseteq V \text{ of irred. sets.}$$

$$T = K^n \Rightarrow \dim(V) \geq \dim(\varphi^{-1}(V)).$$



Let $O \in T \subseteq K^{n+1}$ be an n -dim.

affine lin. subspace corr. to φ .

Then $\ell(V)$ is the Zariski closure of the join of $\{O\}$ and $\ell(V) \cap T \subseteq \varphi^{-1}(V)$.

By problem 4 on pset 8, we then have $\dim(\ell(V)) = \dim(\varphi^{-1}(V)) + 1$. \square

Def Let $V, W \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n$ be irreducible alg. sets.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{codim}(V, W) &:= \dim(W) - \dim(V) \\ &= \dim(\ell(W)) - \dim(\ell(V)) \\ &= \text{codim}(\ell(V), \ell(W)).\end{aligned}$$

Prnk $\text{codim}(V, W)$ is the largest $d \geq 0$ s.t. there is a chain $V = V_0 \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq V_d = W$ of irred. alg. sets.

Thm 14.6.2 Let $V_1, V_2 \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n$ be irreducible alg. sets with $\text{codim}(V_1, \mathbb{P}^n) + \text{codim}(V_2, \mathbb{P}^n) \leq n$.

Then, a) $V_1 \cap V_2 \neq \emptyset$ and

b) every irred. comp. A of $V_1 \cap V_2$ satisfies

$$\text{codim}(A, \mathbb{P}^n) \leq \text{codim}(V_1, \mathbb{P}^n) + \text{codim}(V_2, \mathbb{P}^n).$$

Pf Apply Cor 13.4.3 to the affine cones:

any irred. comp. B of $\ell(V_1) \cap \ell(V_2) = \ell(V_1 \cap V_2)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{satisfies } \text{codim}(B, K^{n+1}) &\leq \text{codim}(\ell(V_1), K^{n+1}) + \text{codim}(\ell(V_2), K^{n+1}) \\ &= \text{codim}(V_1, \mathbb{P}^n) + \text{codim}(V_2, \mathbb{P}^n) \\ &\leq n. \end{aligned}$$

⊙ This shows b) since $\ell(A)$ is an irred. comp. of $\ell(V_1 \cap V_2)$.

For a), note that $0 \in \ell(V_1) \cap \ell(V_2)$, so $\ell(V_1) \cap \ell(V_2) \neq \emptyset$, so $\ell(V_1 \cap V_2)$ contains at least one irred. comp. B ,

which, as we have seen above, has dimension

$$\dim(B) \geq 1. \Rightarrow B \neq \{0\}, \text{ so } \ell(V_1 \cap V_2) \neq \emptyset. \quad \square$$

Ex Any two curves in \mathbb{P}^2 intersect.

Any curve and surface in \mathbb{P}^3 intersect.

Any three surfaces in \mathbb{P}^3 intersect.

14.7. Products

For details, see chapters 4 and 5 in Shafarevich

(Basic Algebraic Geometry 1).

Prmkz $K^n \times K^m = K^{n+m}$, but $\mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{P}^m$ is not \mathbb{P}^{n+m} !

Def A set $V \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{P}^m$ is algebraic if for each pair of (standard) chart maps φ, ψ of $\mathbb{P}^n, \mathbb{P}^m$, the ~~set~~ subset

$\{(P, Q) \mid (\varphi(P), \psi(Q)) \in V\}$ of $K^n \times K^m = K^{n+m}$ is algebraic.

Exe $V := \{([x_0 : x_1 : x_2], [y_0 : y_1]) : x_0^3 y_0 y_1 + 2x_1 x_2^2 y_1^2 = 0\}$ is an algebraic subset of $\mathbb{P}^2 \times \mathbb{P}^1$.

More generally:

Prmkz $V \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{P}^m$ is algebraic if and only if there are polynomials $f_1, \dots, f_k \in K[x_0, \dots, x_n, y_0, \dots, y_m]$ which are homogeneous in x_0, \dots, x_n and homogeneous in y_0, \dots, y_m (not necessarily of the same degree) such that

$$V = \{([x_0 : \dots : x_n], [y_0 : \dots : y_m]) : \forall i : f_i(x_0, \dots, x_n, y_0, \dots, y_m) = 0\}.$$

(Note: If f is hom. of deg. d in x_0, \dots, x_n and of deg. e in y_0, \dots, y_m , then

$f(\lambda x_0, \dots, \lambda x_n, \mu y_0, \dots, \mu y_m) = \lambda^d \mu^e f(x_0, \dots, x_n, y_0, \dots, y_m)$, so whether $f(x_0, \dots, x_n, y_0, \dots, y_m) = 0$ only depends on the points $[x_0 : \dots : x_n] \in \mathbb{P}^n$ and $[y_0 : \dots : y_m] \in \mathbb{P}^m$, not on ~~the~~ the choice of projective coordinates.)

Def Let $V \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{P}^m$, $W \subseteq \mathbb{P}^N \times \mathbb{P}^M$ be alg. subsets.

A morphism $\alpha: V \rightarrow W$ is a map such that

for all (standard) chart maps ~~maps~~ $\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \psi_1, \psi_2$

on $\mathbb{P}^n, \mathbb{P}^m, \mathbb{P}^N, \mathbb{P}^M$, the ~~map~~ map

$$K^n \times K^m \cong \varphi^{-1}(V) \xrightarrow{\quad} K^N \times K^M$$

$$(P, Q) \longmapsto \varphi^{-1}(\alpha(\varphi(P, Q)))$$

is a rational map, defined wherever the above map makes sense, i.e. wherever $\alpha(\varphi(P, Q)) \in \varphi(K^n \times K^m)$.

Here, we let $\varphi(P, Q) = (\varphi_1(P, Q), \varphi_2(P, Q))$

and $\psi(P, Q) = (\psi_1(P, Q), \psi_2(P, Q))$.

$$\varphi^{-1}(V) \xrightarrow{\quad} K^n \times K^m$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \varphi \downarrow & & \downarrow \psi \\ V & \xrightarrow{\quad \alpha \quad} & W \end{array}$$

We similarly define alg. subsets of ~~the~~ the product of any number of projective spaces and morphisms between any two such subsets.

Exe ~~for~~

$$\alpha: V \subset \mathbb{P}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^m$$

$$[x_0, \dots, x_n] \mapsto [f_0(x_0, \dots, x_n), \dots, f_m(x_0, \dots, x_n)]$$

is a morphism (well-defined) if $f_0, \dots, f_m \in K[x_0, \dots, x_n]$

are homogeneous polynomials of the same degree d which have no common root on V :

$$V_V(f_0, \dots, f_m) = \emptyset$$

Using the 0-th std. chart maps on \mathbb{P}^n and \mathbb{P}^m , the corr. rational map is given by

$$(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto \left(\frac{f_1(1, x_1, \dots, x_n)}{f_0(1, x_1, \dots, x_n)}, \dots, \frac{f_m(1, x_1, \dots, x_n)}{f_0(1, x_1, \dots, x_n)} \right)$$

(when $f_0(1, x_1, \dots, x_n) \neq 0$).

Warning The "projection" $\mathbb{P}^2 \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$ is not well-defined

$$[x_0: x_1: x_2] \mapsto [x_0: x_1]$$

at $[0:0:1]$.



Warning Not every morphism is of the above form!

You might need different hom. pol. at different points, just like a rat. fct. $f = \frac{a}{b}$ might be def. at points with $a(P) \neq b(P) = 0$ and there might not be a single choice of a, b that works for all points where f is defined. (HW).

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For example:

Def Let $n \geq 1$. The Veronese map of degree $d \geq 1$ is the map $\mathbb{P}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{\binom{n+d-1}{d}}$ defined by the $\binom{n+d-1}{d}$ monomials in x_0, \dots, x_n of degree d .

Ex $\mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^3$ is the degree 3 Veronese map on \mathbb{P}^1 .
 $[x_0 : x_1] \mapsto [x_0^3 : x_0^2 x_1 : x_0 x_1^2 : x_1^3]$

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Another example:

Def Let $n, m \geq 1$. The Segre map is the map

$\mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{P}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{(n+1)(m+1)-1}$
 $([x_0 : \dots : x_n], [y_0 : \dots : y_m]) \mapsto [x_0 y_0 : x_0 y_1 : \dots : x_n y_m]$
def. by the products $x_i y_j$.