

Homework sheet 2

Due date: Monday, 22.10.12 at 12 noon

1. A topological space X is called *quasi-compact* if every open cover has a finite subcover. A scheme is called *quasi-compact* (*irreducible*, *connected*, etc.) if the underlying topological space enjoys this property. Prove the following:
 - (a) Every affine scheme is quasi-compact.
 - (b) A scheme is quasi-compact if and only if it has a finite open cover consisting of affine schemes.
 - (c) ★ Give an example of a scheme which is not quasi-compact. In particular, it is not affine. (4+2* points)
2. Let U be an open subset of a scheme X . Prove that $U := (U, \mathcal{O}_X|_U)$ is again a scheme. *Hint.* Reduce to the special case $X = \operatorname{Spec}(A)$, $U = D_X(f)$ for $f \in A$. Prove $D_X(f) \cong \operatorname{Spec}(A_f)$. (4 points)
3. Let X be a scheme or more generally a locally ringed space. For $x \in X$ let $\kappa(x) := \mathcal{O}_{X,x}/\mathfrak{m}_x$ be the *residue field* at x . Let K be a field. Find a bijection between the sets $\operatorname{Hom}(\operatorname{Spec}(K), X) = \{\text{morphisms } \operatorname{Spec}(K) \rightarrow X\}$ and $\{(x, \alpha) : x \in X, \alpha \in \operatorname{Hom}(\kappa(x), K)\}$. (3 points)
4. Let X be a topological space, $Z \subseteq X$ closed and $x \in Z$. We call x a *generic point* of Z if $Z = \overline{\{x\}}$ holds. Prove the following:
 - (a) If Z has a generic point, then Z is irreducible.
 - (b) If X is a scheme, the converse is also true. In fact, the generic point is unique and contained in every open subset $U \subset X$ with $U \cap Z \neq \emptyset$.
Hint. First do the case that X is affine.
 - (c) The spectrum of an integral domain is irreducible; the generic point corresponds to the zero ideal. (6 points)