

Smooth morphisms

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ morphism of alg. schemes / k .

Flat: $\forall U \subseteq Y$ open affine,

$\forall U' \subseteq f^{-1}(U) \subseteq X$ open affine,

$\mathcal{O}_X(U')$ is a flat $\mathcal{O}_Y(U)$ -module.

Relative dim. u :

$\forall V \subseteq Y$ closed irred. subvariety,

$f^{-1}(V) = X \times_Y V$ has pure dim.

$$= \dim(V) + u.$$

Sheaf of relative differentials $\Omega_{X/Y}$:

$$f^* \Omega_Y \longrightarrow \Omega_X \longrightarrow \Omega_{X/Y} \longrightarrow 0$$

Def $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is smooth if f is

flat of rel. dim. u , some u ,

and $\Omega_{X/Y}$ locally free \mathcal{O}_X -module of rank u .

Properties

1) Flatness and smoothness are preserved under composition and base extension.

2) X alg. scheme / $k = \bar{k}$.

$X \rightarrow \text{Spec}(k)$ is smooth \Leftrightarrow

X is non-singular (disjoint union of non-singular varieties of same dimension.)

3) (Grothendieck's generic freeness lemma)

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ morphism,

X alg. scheme, Y irred. variety.

\exists dense open $U \subseteq Y$:

$f^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U$ flat morphism.

4) $f: X \rightarrow Y$ morphism of irred. vars.

Assume: $k = \bar{k}$, $\text{Char}(k) = 0$,

X non-singular.

\exists dense open $U \subseteq Y$:

$f^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U$ smooth.

Example

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ smooth morphism
of alg. schemes / $K = \bar{k}$.

$y \in Y$ closed point.

Then $f^{-1}(y)$ is non-singular.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} f^{-1}(y) & \rightarrow & \{y\} = \text{Spec}(K) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X & \rightarrow & Y \end{array}$$

Example

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ locally trivial fibration
with fiber F :

$Y = \{U_\alpha\}$ open cover, $f^{-1}(U_\alpha) \cong U_\alpha \times F$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \\ & \swarrow & \searrow \\ & f & \text{pr}_1 \\ & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ & U_\alpha & \end{array}$$

Then f is flat.

$K = \bar{k}$: f smooth $\Leftrightarrow F$ non-singular.

Example G alg. group / $K = \bar{K}$.

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ G -equivariant morphism.
of irred. G -varieties.

Assume G acts transitively on Y .

Then f is flat.

Assume $\text{Char}(K) = 0$, X non-singular.

Then f is smooth.

Proof $\exists \emptyset \neq U \subseteq Y$ open s.t. $f^{-1}(U) \rightarrow U$
is flat/smooth. Then $f^{-1}(s.U) \rightarrow s.U$
is also flat/smooth $\forall s \in G$.

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Exer $f: Y \rightarrow X$, $g: Z \rightarrow X$
morphisms of irred. varieties.

Then all irred. components of

$Y \times_X Z$ have dimension at least

$\dim(Y) + \dim(Z) - \dim(X)$.

Kleiman's Theorem

G irred. algebraic group / $K = \bar{K}$.

X transitive G -variety.

$f: Y \rightarrow X$, $g: Z \rightarrow X$ morphisms of
irred. varieties.

For $s \in G$, let $s.Y$ denote Y with
morphism $Y \rightarrow X$, $y \mapsto s.f(y)$.

(a) \exists dense open $U \subseteq G$:

$\forall s \in U$: $(s.Y) \times_X Z$ has pure dim.:

$$\dim (s.Y) \times_X Z = \dim Y + \dim Z - \dim X.$$

(b) Assume $\text{char}(K) = 0$,

Y, Z non-singular. Then:

\exists dense open $U \subseteq G$:

$\forall s \in U$: $(s.Y) \times_X Z$ is a

(disjoint union of)

non-sing. varieties.

Remark: In (b), can replace "non-singular"
with Cohen-Macaulay / normal / reduced /
locally irreducible. (Last two already assumed.)

Proof $u: G \times Y \rightarrow X, (g, y) \mapsto g \cdot F(y).$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 S.Y \times_x Z & \rightarrow & (U \times Y) \times_x Z & \rightarrow & (G \times Y) \times_x Z & \xrightarrow{u'} & Z \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow g \\
 S.Y & \rightarrow & U \times Y & \rightarrow & G \times Y & \xrightarrow{u} & X \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{pr}_1 & & \\
 \{s\} & \rightarrow & U & \rightarrow & G & &
 \end{array}$$

$u: G \times Y \rightarrow X$ G -equiv., $G \curvearrowright X$ transitive

$\Rightarrow u$ flat/smooth of rel. dim =

$$u = \dim(G \times Y) - \dim(X).$$

$\Rightarrow u'$ flat/smooth of rel. dim. u .

$\Rightarrow (G \times Y) \times_x Z$ has pure dim = $u + \dim(Z)$.

/ non-singular of dim. $u + \dim(Z)$.

$\exists \emptyset \neq U \subseteq G$ open s.t.

$(U \times Y) \times_x Z \rightarrow U$ flat/smooth.

of rel. dim. $N = \dim(Y) + \dim(Z) - \dim(X)$.

$S.Y \times_x Z$ of pure dim. N / non-singular, $\forall s \in U$.

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