

We need to define fractions more generally:

Idea: The construction of \mathbb{Q} :

$$\mathbb{Q} := \mathbb{Z} \times (\mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}) / \sim$$

$$(a, b) \sim (c, d) \Leftrightarrow ad - bc = 0$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$$

Def: For a ring R , a subset $S \subset R$ is called a multiplicative set if

- (1) $1 \in S$
- (2) $\forall s, t \in S, st \in S$

Def: Given $S \subset R$ multiplicative, define an equivalence relation \sim on $R \times S$ as $(a, s) \sim (b, t) \Leftrightarrow \exists s' \in S$
 $(at - bs)s' = 0$

The localization $S^{-1}R$ of R at S is

$$S^{-1}R := R \times S / \sim$$

Notation: The equivalence class of (a, s) is denoted $\frac{a}{s}$

We have the natural map $R \xrightarrow{\text{can}} S^{-1}R$
 $r \mapsto \frac{r}{1}$

Note: If $\exists t \in R$ and $s \in S$ s.t. $t \neq 0$ and $ts = 0$,
then $\frac{t}{1} = \frac{0}{1}$ in $S^{-1}R$ because $(t \cdot 1 - 0 \cdot 1)s = 0$

Localizations have a universal property:

Prop.: Suppose $S \subset R$ is a multiplicative set and
 $\varphi: R \rightarrow B$ is a morphism of rings s.t. $\forall s \in S, \varphi(s)$
is invertible in B . Then \exists a unique homomorphism

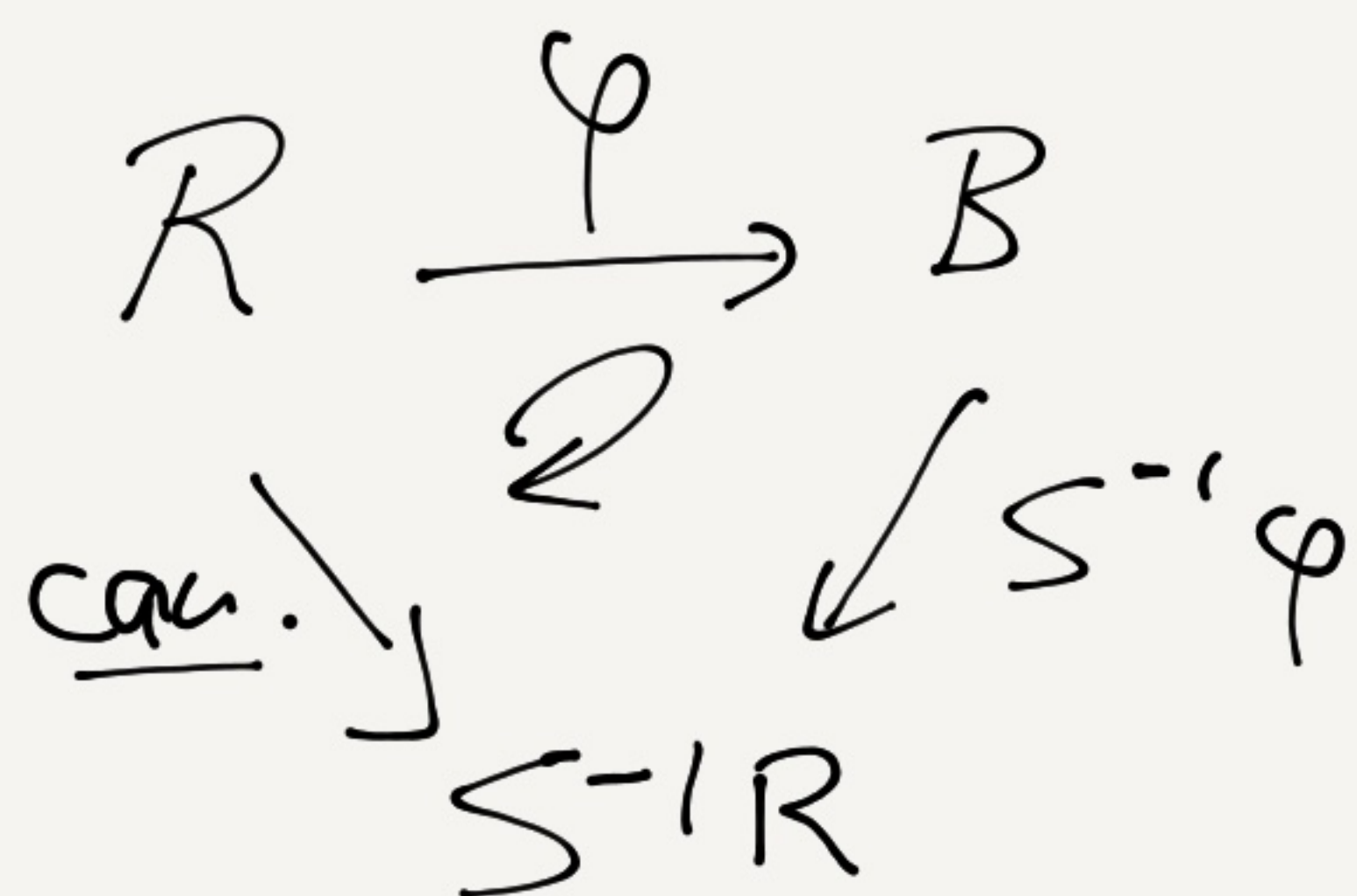
of rings

$$S^{-1}\varphi : S^{-1}R \rightarrow B \quad \text{s.t.}$$

$$S^{-1}\varphi\left(\frac{a}{s}\right) = \varphi(a)\varphi(s)^{-1}$$

$$\forall a \in R, s \in S$$

i.e.



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Note:

$$\forall s \in S$$

$\frac{s}{1} \in S^{-1}R$ is invertible:

$$\frac{s}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{s} = \frac{1}{1} \quad \text{because:}$$

$$\frac{s \cdot 1}{1 \cdot s} = \frac{1}{1} \quad \text{because } s \cdot 1 \cdot 1 - 1 \cdot s \cdot 1 = 0$$

Note:

$$\text{If } 0 \in S, \text{ then } S^{-1}R = \{0\}$$

Main examples of multiplicative sets for us:

$$(1) \quad S = \{1, f, f^2, f^3, \dots, f^n, \dots\} \quad \text{for some } f \in R$$

$$\text{then } S^{-1}R = R[f^{-1}]$$

$$(2) \quad S = R \setminus \mathfrak{p} \quad \text{for } \mathfrak{p} \subset R \text{ prime ideal}$$

$$\text{We denote } S^{-1}R = R_{\mathfrak{p}} \text{ in this case.}$$

Lemma: $\forall R, \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec} R$, the ring $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is a local ring with maximal ideal $\mathfrak{p} R_{\mathfrak{p}}$ ($:=$ the ideal in $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$ generated by the image of \mathfrak{p} under can)

Idea of proof: use the fact that a ring R is local with maximal ideal $\mathfrak{m} \iff (x \text{ invertible} \iff x \notin \mathfrak{m})$

Proposition: \forall ring R , $\text{Spec} R$ is a locally ringed space.

In fact, $\forall p \in \text{Spec} R$, the stalk $\mathcal{O}_p := \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec} R, p}$ is naturally isomorphic to R_p .

The proposition will follow from these lemmas:

Lemma 1: \forall sheaf \mathcal{F} on X , for any basis $\{U_i; i \in I\}$ of the topology of X , $\forall x \in X$, we have

$$\mathcal{F}_x \cong \varinjlim_{\substack{i \in I \\ x \in U_i}} \mathcal{F}(U_i)$$

Lemma 2: \forall ring R , $\forall p \in \text{Spec} R$, $\varinjlim_{f \notin p} R[f^{-1}] \cong R_p$

First: Lemma 1 and Lemma 2 \Rightarrow Proposition!

By the commutative algebra result, we only need to

check $\mathcal{O}_p \cong R_p$

Take the basis of the topology of $\text{Spec} R$ formed by

the basic open sets V_f , for $f \in R$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_p &\stackrel{\text{lemma 1}}{=} \varinjlim_{p \in V_f} \mathcal{O}(V_f) = \varinjlim_{f \notin \mathfrak{p}} \mathcal{O}(V_f) \\ &= \varinjlim_{f \notin \mathfrak{p}} R[f^{-1}] \stackrel{\text{lemma 2}}{=} R_p \end{aligned}$$

Proof of Lemma 1: $\mathcal{F}_x = \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ x \in U}} \mathcal{F}(U) \stackrel{?}{=} \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ x \in U_i}} \mathcal{F}(U_i)$

we have the natural $\coprod_{\substack{i \in I \\ x \in U_i}} \mathcal{F}(U_i) \hookrightarrow \coprod_{x \in U} \mathcal{F}(U)$

\downarrow
 \mathcal{F}_x

\searrow composition $\rho \rightarrow$

We show that the map ρ factors through a bijection $\lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ x \in U_i}} \mathcal{F}(U_i) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_x$

(a) factorization: if $(U_i, s_i) \sim (U_j, s_j)$, then $s_i(x) = s_j(x)$

$(U_i, s_i) \sim (U_j, s_j) \Leftrightarrow \exists k \text{ s.t. } U_k \subset U_i \cap U_j$
 and $s_i|_{U_k} = s_j|_{U_k}$
 $\Rightarrow s_i(x) = s_j(x)$

(a) ρ is injective: if (U_i, s_i) and (U_j, s_j) have the same image in \mathcal{F}_x , then $\exists U \subset U_i \cap U_j$
 $U \ni x$

$$\text{s.t. } s_i|_U = s_j|_U$$

because $\{U_i, i \in I\}$ is a basis of the topology,

$$\exists k \in I \text{ s.t. } x \in U_k \subset U$$

then $s_i|_{U_k} = s_j|_{U_k} \Rightarrow (U_i, s_i)$ and (U_j, s_j) represent the same element of $\varinjlim_{i \in I} \mathcal{F}(U_i)$
 $x \in U_i$

(b) ρ is surjective: Given a pair (U, s) representing an element of \mathcal{F}_x , $\exists i \in I$ s.t. $x \in U_i \subset U$

then $(U, s) \sim (U_i, s|_{U_i})$ is in the image of e . \square

Proof of Lemma 2: Given $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec } R$, for any $f \notin \mathfrak{p}$ we have the natural map, obtained from the universal property of localizations:

$\varphi(f)$ is invertible
 \Rightarrow

$$\begin{array}{ccc} f \in R & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & R_{\mathfrak{p}} \ni \frac{f}{1} = \varphi(f) \\ & \downarrow & \nearrow s^{-1}\varphi \\ \frac{f}{1} \in R[f^{-1}] & & s = \{1, f, f^2, \dots\} \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow \coprod_{f \notin \mathfrak{p}} R[f^{-1}] \longrightarrow R_{\mathfrak{p}}$$

We show this induces an isomorphism $\varinjlim_{f \notin \mathfrak{p}} R[f^{-1}] \xrightarrow{\cong} R_{\mathfrak{p}}$

(a) We determine when two elements of $\coprod_{t \notin \mathfrak{p}} R[t^{-1}]$ have the same image in $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$.

Suppose given $f, g \notin \mathfrak{p}$ $\frac{a}{f^m} \in R[f^{-1}]$, $\frac{b}{g^n} \in R[g^{-1}]$

when do we have $\frac{a}{f^m} = \frac{b}{g^n}$ in $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$

this happens when $\exists s \notin \mathfrak{p}$ s.t. $s(a \cdot g^n - b f^m) = 0$

Put $h := fg^s$, then $\frac{a}{f^m} = \frac{b}{g^n}$ is $R[h^{-1}]$

$$R[h^{-1}] = R[f^{-1}][g^{-1}][s^{-1}]$$

So $\frac{a}{f^m}$ and $\frac{b}{g^n}$ represent the same element of $\lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ t \notin \mathfrak{p}}} R[t^{-1}]$