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Homework 4  
Due: Wednesday, September 24

1. Let  $S$  be a graded ring, and let  $I$  and  $J$  be homogeneous ideals in  $S$ . Prove that each of the following is a homogeneous ideal .
  - (a)  $I + J$ .
  - (b)  $I \cap J$ .
  - (c)  $IJ$ .
  - (d)  $\sqrt{I}$ .

*You may, of course, assume that each of these is actually an ideal...*

2. Let  $S$  be a graded ring, and let  $I \subset S$  be a homogeneous ideal. Prove that  $I$  is prime if and only if for every pair of homogeneous  $f, g \in S$  with  $fg \in I$ , one of  $f$  and  $g$  is in  $I$ . (HINT: Write  $f = \sum_{d=m}^M f_d$ ,  $g = \sum_{e=n}^N g_e$ , and consider the homogeneous pieces of the product  $fg$ .)
3. Let  $F = X_0^2 + X_1^2 - X_2^2$ , and let  $C = \mathcal{Z}_{\mathbb{P}}(F)$ . Describe  $C \cap U_i$  and  $C \cap H_i$  for each coordinate  $i = 0, 1, 2$ .

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*Turn the page for a proof of Chow's theorem.*

4. This problem is only valid over  $\mathbb{C}$ , and compares analytic objects to algebraic objects. Let  $\pi$  be the natural projection

$$\mathbb{C}^{n+1} - \{0\} \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^n$$

Say that a function  $f$  on  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$  is analytic in a neighborhood of the origin if there is a convergent power series

$$\sum_{\underline{e} = e_0, \dots, e_n; e_j \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}} a_{\underline{e}} X_0^{e_0} \cdots X_n^{e_n}.$$

which agrees with  $f$  on some (analytic) neighborhood of 0.

Suppose  $X \subset \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^n$ ; let  $Z = \mathcal{C}(X) = \pi^{-1}(X) \cup \{0\}$  be the affine cone over  $X$ .

Suppose  $f$  is analytic in some neighborhood of the origin. Write

$$f(z) = \sum_{d \geq 0} f_d(z)$$

$$f_d(z) = \sum_{\underline{e}: \sum e_i = d} a_{\underline{e}} z_0^{e_0} \cdots z_n^{e_n}.$$

Prove that if  $f$  vanishes on  $Z$  (in some neighborhood of the origin), then each  $f_d$  vanishes on  $Z$ .

If you like, you may proceed in the following way.

Define the function  $g(z, t) = f(tz)$ ; here,  $z \in \mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{C}}^{n+1}$ , and  $t \in \mathbb{C}$ .

- (a) Show  $g(z, t)$  vanishes on  $Z$  for (sufficiently small)  $t$ .
- (b) For a fixed value of  $z$ , consider the analytic function  $g_z(t) = g(z, t) = f(tz)$ . Show that the  $s^{\text{th}}$  derivative of  $g_z(t)$  is

$$\frac{d^s}{dt^s} g_z(t) = \sum_{d \geq s} \frac{d!}{(d-s)!} f_d(z) t^{d-s}.$$

- (c) Show that  $f_d(z)$  vanishes on  $Z$ . (HINT: Set  $t = 0$ , and take a Taylor series expansion of  $g_z(t)$  centered at  $t = 0$ .)

5. *Continuation of 4* Prove **Chow's Theorem**: Suppose  $X \subset \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^n$  is a closed analytic space, in the sense that there is a collection of functions  $\{g_{\alpha}\}$  on  $X$  such that  $f_{\alpha} := g_{\alpha} \circ \pi$  is analytic on  $\mathbb{A}^{n+1}$ , and  $X$  is the vanishing locus of the  $g_{\alpha}$ 's. Show that  $X$  is algebraic, in the sense that it is the vanishing locus of a (finite) collection of homogeneous polynomials. *It suffices to show that  $\mathcal{C}(X)$  is the vanishing locus of polynomials.*