

Algebraic Geometry 2, Exercises

Sheet 11, due June 28

Exercise 31

Let X be a scheme. For an \mathcal{O}_X -module \mathcal{M} we denote by $\mathcal{M}^\vee := \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{O}_X)$ the dual \mathcal{O}_X -module.

1. Show that for every \mathcal{O}_X -module \mathcal{M} there is a natural homomorphism $\mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^{\vee\vee}$. Show that this homomorphism is an isomorphism if \mathcal{M} is locally free of finite rank. Give an example of a scheme X and an \mathcal{O}_X -module of finite type, where this homomorphism is not an isomorphism.
2. Assume that \mathcal{M} is an invertible \mathcal{O}_X -module. Show that there are isomorphisms

$$\mathcal{M} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{M}^\vee \cong \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{M}) \cong \mathcal{O}_X.$$

(*Hint:* Define homomorphisms of \mathcal{O}_X -modules between the objects above; then it can be checked locally on X that they are isomorphisms, i.e. one can assume that $\mathcal{M} \cong \mathcal{O}_X$.)

Conclude that the set of isomorphism classes of invertible \mathcal{O}_X -modules is a group, where the multiplication is given by $\otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X}$, and the inverse is given by \cdot^\vee .

Exercise 32

Let R be principal ideal domain, $X = \text{Spec } R$. Prove that every invertible \mathcal{O}_X -module is free.

Hint: Let M be a locally free R -module of rank 1. Prove that the natural homomorphism $M \rightarrow M \otimes_R K \cong K$ is injective, and conclude that M is isomorphic, as an R -module, to an ideal of R . (Similarly one can show that for X the spectrum of a Dedekind domain the group of isomorphism classes of invertible \mathcal{O}_X -modules is isomorphic to the class group, i.e. to the quotient of the group of all fractional ideals by the group of all principal ideals.)

Exercise 33

Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a morphism of schemes. Let \mathcal{F} be a sheaf on X , and let \mathcal{G} be a sheaf on Y . Write down “the” natural maps between

$$\mathrm{Hom}(f^{-1}\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{F}) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathrm{Hom}(\mathcal{G}, f_*\mathcal{F})$$

and show that they are inverse to each other. (With some more work, one can show that the resulting bijections are functorial in \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} , i.e., that f^{-1} and f_* are adjoint functors.)