

Some facts about dimension/height over a Noetherian ring

$$\dim(k[x_1, \dots, x_d]) = d = \dim(k \bar{[}x_1, \dots, x_d])$$

Krull Height Theorem  $\text{ht}(f_1, \dots, f_n) \leq n$

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or

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Some applications:

$$1) \quad R = k[x^3, x^2y, xy^2, y^3] \subseteq k[x, y, z]$$

$\dim(R) \leq 4$  because  $R$  has 4 algebra generators

$$R \cong k[a, b, c, d] / (ad - bc)$$

$$\dim R = \dim \left( \frac{k[a, b, c, d]}{(ad - bc)} \right) = 4 - 1$$

$k[a, b, c, d]$  domain  $\Rightarrow \text{ht}(ad - bc) \geq 1$

Krull height theorem  $\Rightarrow \text{ht}(ad - bc) \leq 1$

Application What is  $\text{Supp}(I/I^2)$ ?

$$\text{in } R = \frac{\mathbb{C}[x, y, z]}{(xy, yz)}$$

$$\text{Supp}(I/I^2) = V(\text{ann}(I/I^2))$$

$$I = (xz)$$

$$\text{ann}(I/I^2) = (y, xz) \quad \text{in } R$$

$$= (y, x) \cap (y, z) \quad (\text{radical!})$$

Might as well think back in  $Q = \mathbb{C}[x, y, z]$  ( $\dim 3$ )

$$V((x, y) \cap (y, z)) = V(\underbrace{(x, y)}_{\text{ht } 2}) \cup V(\underbrace{(y, z)}_{\text{ht } 2})$$

$$= \{(x, y), (y, z), (x, y, z - a), (x - a, y, z) \mid a \in \mathbb{C}\}$$

Over, up and down

Image Criterion  $R \xrightarrow{\psi} S$  ring homomorphism  
 $P \in \text{Spec}(R)$

$$P \in \text{image}(\psi^*) \iff P = Q \cap R \text{ for some } Q \in \text{Spec}(S) \iff PS \cap R = P$$

Note this is unrelated to whether or not  $PS$  is prime

Example  $R = k[x, y, z] \xleftarrow{\psi} S = k[x, y, z]$

Can check with Macaulay 2:  $R \cong k[a, b, c]$  polynomial ring

So  $\mathfrak{P} = (xy)R$  is prime!

$$\mathfrak{P}S = (xy)S = (x)S \cap (y)S$$

$$\mathfrak{P}S \cap R \ni \underbrace{(xy)}_{\text{in } S} \cdot \underbrace{(z^2)}_{\text{in } S} = \underbrace{(xz)}_{\text{in } R} \underbrace{(yz)}_{\text{in } R} \notin (xy)R$$

no:  $PS \cap R \neq \mathfrak{P} \Rightarrow \mathfrak{P} \notin \text{image}(\psi^*) \Rightarrow \psi^*$  not surjective

or: If  $Q \cap R = \mathfrak{P}$ ,  $Q \in \text{Spec}(S)$

then  $Q \supseteq (xy)S \Rightarrow Q \ni x$  or  $Q \ni y$

$$\text{or } Q \cap R \supseteq (x) \cap R = (xy, xz) \not\supseteq \mathfrak{P}$$

$$Q \cap R \supseteq (y) \cap R = (xy, yz) \not\supseteq \mathfrak{P}$$

Corollary  $R \subseteq S$  direct summand  $\Rightarrow \text{Spec}(S) \rightarrow \text{Spec}(R)$  surjective

Integral closure of ideals  $x \in R$  integral over  $I$  if  
 $x^n + a_1 x^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} x + a_n = 0$  for  $a_i \in I^i$

$\bar{I} := \{x \in R \mid x \text{ integral over } I\}$

$s \in S$   $R$ -algebra integral over  $I \subseteq R$  if

$$s^n + a_1 s^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} s + a_n = 0 \quad \text{for } a_i \in I^i$$

Lemma  $R \subseteq S$  integral  
 $IS \cap R \subseteq \bar{I}$

Exercise  $\bar{I} \subseteq \sqrt{I}$

lying over  $R \subseteq S$  integral  
 $pS \cap R = p$  for all  $p \in \text{Spec}(R)$

so  $\text{Spec}(S) \rightarrow \text{Spec}(R)$  surjective

Proof sketch: show  $\bar{I} \subseteq \sqrt{I}$ . If  $p$  prime,

$$pS \cap R \subseteq \bar{p} \subseteq \sqrt{p} = p$$

Example  $k[xy, xz, yz] \subseteq k[x, y, z]$  not integral!

Indeed, it is not rad-finite: need to add all  $x^n, y^n, z^n$

Theorem (Incomparability) If  $R \rightarrow S$  is integral and

$P \subseteq Q$  are primes in  $S$  with  $P \cap R = Q \cap R$ , then  $P = Q$

Going-up  $R \rightarrow S$  integral

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Going-Down  $R \subseteq S$  integral  
 $R$  normal domain  
 $S$  domain

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Consequence :  $R \rightarrow S$  integral  $\Rightarrow \dim R = \dim S$

Noether Normalization  $R$  f.g.  $k$ -algebra

there exist  $x_1, \dots, x_t \in R$  algebraically independent over  $k$  st

$k[x_1, \dots, x_t] \subseteq R$  is module-finite

If  $R$  is a graded  $k$ -algebra,  $R_0 = k$ , can choose  $x_i$  homogeneous

Note module-finite  $\Rightarrow$  integral  $\Rightarrow \dim R = \dim$  Noether normalization

thm  $k[x_1, \dots, x_d]$  Noether normalization of  $R$   
All maximal ideals of  $R$  have height  $d$ .

these are the tools we need to show:

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## Hilbert functions

$k$  field

$R$   $\mathbb{N}$ -graded  $k$ -algebra

$M$   $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded  $R$ -module

$$H_M(t) := \dim_k(R_t)$$

Hilbert function of  $M$

$$h_M(z) := \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} H_M(i) z^i$$

Hilbert series of  $M$

Example  $R = k[x, y] / (x^2, y^3)$

standard graded

$$= \underset{R_0}{k} \oplus (\underset{R_1}{kx \oplus ky}) \oplus (\underset{R^2}{kxy \oplus ky^2}) \oplus \underset{R^3}{kxy^2}$$

$$H_R(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t=0, 3 \\ 2, & t=1, 2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

eventually 0

(polynomial of deg -1)

$$h_R(z) = 1 + 2z + 2z^2 + z^3$$

Polynomial Ring  $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n] \Rightarrow R_t = \bigoplus_{a_1 + \dots + a_n = t} k \cdot x_1^{a_1} \dots x_n^{a_n}$

$$H_R(t) = \binom{t+n-1}{n-1} \quad \text{for } t \geq 0 \quad \text{polynomial of deg } n-1$$

$$= \text{coefficient of } z^t \text{ in } (1+z+\dots+z^{a_1}+\dots) \cdots (1+z+\dots+z^{a_d}+\dots)$$

$$h_R(t) = (1+z+z^2+\dots)^n = \frac{1}{(1-z)^n}$$

thm  $R$  fg  $k$ -algebra  
 $R_0 = k$   
 $R$  generated by elements of degree 1  
 $M$  fg graded  $R$ -mod

$H_M(t) = P_M(t)$  for  $t \gg 0$   $P_M$  polynomial of degree  $\dim(M) - 1$

$$P_M(t) = \frac{e}{(\dim M - 1)!} t^{\dim(M) - 1} + \text{lower order terms}$$

multiplicity of  $M$  → Hilbert polynomial of  $M$

for some positive integer  $e$ .

Moreover, the Hilbert series of  $M$  is of the form

$$h_M(z) = \frac{q(z)}{(z-1)^{\dim M}} \quad \text{for some } q(1) \neq 0.$$

to actually calculate things:

lemma  $0 \rightarrow L \rightarrow M \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow H_M = H_L + H_N$   
 ses of graded  $R$ -modules by degree 0 maps

Proof  $0 \rightarrow L_t \xrightarrow{f} M_t \xrightarrow{g} N_t \rightarrow 0$

Rank-Nullity thm  $\dim M_t = \dim g(M_t) + \dim \ker g$   
 $= \dim M_t + \dim L_t$



Ex  $S = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$

$f \in S$  homogeneous of degree  $d$

$$R = S/(f) \rightarrow H_S(t) = ?$$

$$0 \rightarrow S(-d) \xrightarrow{\cdot f} S \rightarrow S/(f) \rightarrow 0$$

$$H_S(t) = H_{S(-d)}(t) + H_R(t)$$

$$H_R(t) = H_S(t) - H_S(t-d)$$

$$= \binom{t+n-1}{n-1} - \binom{t-d+n-1}{n-1}$$

$$h_R(z) = (1-z^d) h_S(z)$$

thm  $(R, m)$  local Noetherian ring or graded  $k$ -algebra with  $R_0 = k$ ,  $R = k[R_1]$

the following numbers are all the same:

- $\dim(R)$

- $\min \{d \mid \overline{(f_1, \dots, f_d)} = \mathfrak{m}, \begin{matrix} \text{graded case} \\ \downarrow \\ f_i \text{ homogeneous} \end{matrix} \}$

- $1 + \deg(\text{Hilbert polynomial})$

- order of the pole at 1 in the Hilbert series of  $R$ .