

lemma The canonical map factors through an isomorphism of schemes

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (\mathrm{Spec}(A_f), \mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Spec}(A_f)}) & \longrightarrow & (\mathrm{Spec}(A), \mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Spec}(A)}) \\
 (h, h^\#) \searrow & & \nearrow (j, \mathrm{id}) \\
 & (\mathrm{D}(f), j^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Spec}(A)}) &
 \end{array}$$

Pf Let $\varphi: A \rightarrow A_f$ be the localization. The induced map

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathrm{Spec}(A_f) & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{Spec}(A) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \mathbb{P} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \varphi^{-1}(\mathbb{P})
 \end{array}$$

is a bijection onto $\mathrm{D}(f)$. In fact, it is a homeomorphism on $\mathrm{D}(f)$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathrm{Spec}(A_f) & \xrightarrow{h} & \mathrm{D}(f) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \mathrm{D}(g) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \mathrm{D}(fg)
 \end{array}$$

Isomorphism of ringed spaces:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{P}(\mathrm{D}(g), \mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Spec}(A_f)}) & \xleftarrow{\sim} & \mathcal{P}(\mathrm{D}(fg), j^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Spec}(A)}) \\
 \uparrow & & \uparrow \sim \\
 (A_f)_g & \xleftarrow{\sim} & A_{fg}
 \end{array}$$

where the right-hand vertical map is an isom., since $j: D(f) \hookrightarrow X$ is the inclusion of an open subspace. //

Cor Let $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ be a scheme, and let $j: U \hookrightarrow X$ be the inclusion of an open subspace. Then the ringed space $(U, j^* \mathcal{O}_X)$ is a scheme. //

We say that a map of schemes

$$(U, \mathcal{O}_U) \xrightarrow{(j, j^\#)} (X, \mathcal{O}_X)$$

is an open immersion if $j: U \hookrightarrow X$ is a homeo. onto an open subset of X and if $j^\#: \mathcal{O}_U \rightarrow j^* \mathcal{O}_X$ is an isomorphism.

We proceed to show that colimits corresponding to gluing along open immersions exist in the category of schemes.

Prop The category of ringed spaces has all small colimits.

Pf Given an I -diagram of ringed space $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$, its colimit is the

is given by the following set of morphisms of ringed spaces.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} (X_i, \mathcal{O}_{X_i}) \\ \downarrow (inc_i, pr_i) \\ (\text{colim}_{\mathbf{I}} X_i, \lim_{\mathbf{I}} inc_{i*} \mathcal{O}_{X_i}) \end{array} \right\}_{i \in \text{ob}(\mathbf{I})} //$$

Rmk The forgetful functor from locally ringed spaces to ringed spaces creates all small colimits. This means that if $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ is a diagram of locally ringed spaces, then its colimit in the category of ringed spaces is a locally ringed space and is the colimit in the category of locally ringed spaces. For a proof, see Demazure Gabriel, Groupes algébriques, Prop. I.1.6. //

In the following, we will often abbreviate $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ and simply write X ; similarly, instead of

$$(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \xrightarrow{(f, f^\#)} (Y, \mathcal{O}_Y),$$

we write $f: X \rightarrow Y$. If $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ is a scheme and $j: U \hookrightarrow X$ an open subset, we will write U to

to indicate the scheme $(U, j^* \alpha_x)$.

let I be a (small) set, and let $P_0(I)$ be the following category.

$$\text{ob } P_0(I) = \{\emptyset \neq S \subset I \mid S \text{ finite}\}$$

$\text{mor } P_0(I)$: a single morphism $S \rightarrow T$ if $S \subset T$

A diagram of the form

$$P_0(I)^{\text{op}} \xrightarrow{x} \mathcal{C}$$

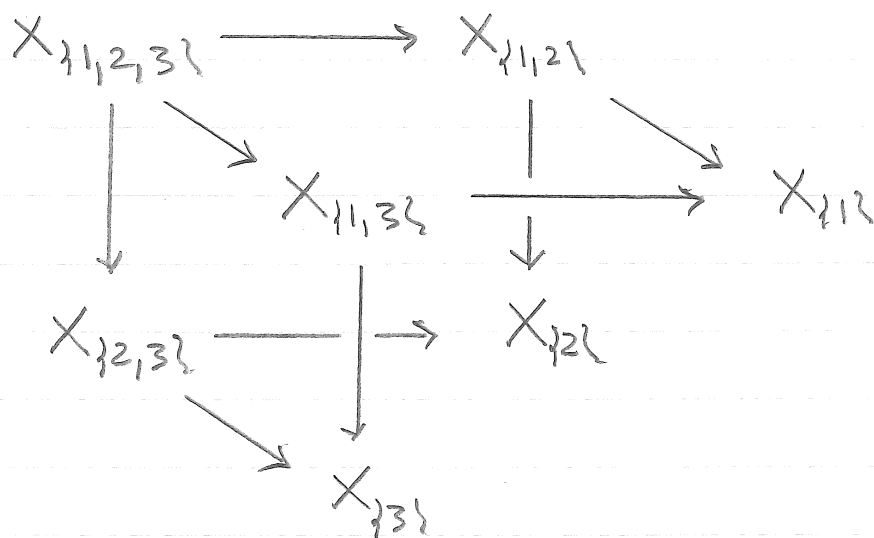
is called a punctured I-cubical diagram in $\mathcal{C}$.

Ex $I = \{1, 2\}$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_{\{1,2\}} & \xrightarrow{f} & X_{\{1\}} \\ \downarrow g & & \\ X_{\{2\}} & & \end{array}$$

A colimit of this diagram is called a pushout or a cobase change of f along g (or of g along f).

$$I = \{1, 2, 3\} :$$



If $\emptyset \neq S \subset T \subset I$ are finite, then the restriction of the punctured I -cubical diagram to the full subcategory of $P_0(I)$ with object set

$$\{S \subset U \subset T\}$$

is called the (S, T) -face of X and denoted $\partial_S^T X$. For the diagr. at the top of the page,

$$\partial_{\{1,2,3\}}^{\{1,2\}} X = \begin{array}{ccc} X_{\{1,2,3\}} & \longrightarrow & X_{\{1,2\}} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X_{\{2,3\}} & \longrightarrow & X_{\{2\}} \end{array}$$

A punctured I -cubical diagram

X is strongly cocartesian if every face of X is cocartesian, or equivalently, if every face $\partial_S^T X$ with $\#(T-S) = 2$ is a cocartesian square.

Ex let X be a scheme and let $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ be a set of open subschemes of X . Then the punctured I -cubical diagram of schemes defined by

$$P_0(I)^{\circ P} \longrightarrow \text{Schemes}$$

$$S \longmapsto U_S := \bigcap_{i \in S} U_i$$

is strongly cocartesian. If the U_i , $i \in I$, cover X , then

$$\{U_S \longleftarrow X\}$$

is a colimit of this diagram. //

Prop (Gluing) Every (small) strongly cocartesian punctured cubical diagram of schemes in which every morphism is an open immersion has a colimit.

Plt let $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ be a punctured I -cubical diagram of the form stated, and let

$$\{(X_S, \mathcal{O}_{X_S}) \xrightarrow{(\text{ins}_S, \text{in}_S^\#)} (Y, \mathcal{O}_Y)\}$$

be a colimit in the category of ringed spaces. We must show that $(Y, \mathcal{O}_Y)$ is a scheme, that the maps $(\text{ins}_S, \text{in}_S^\#)$ are morph. of schemes, and that the set of these morphisms is a colimit in the category of schemes.

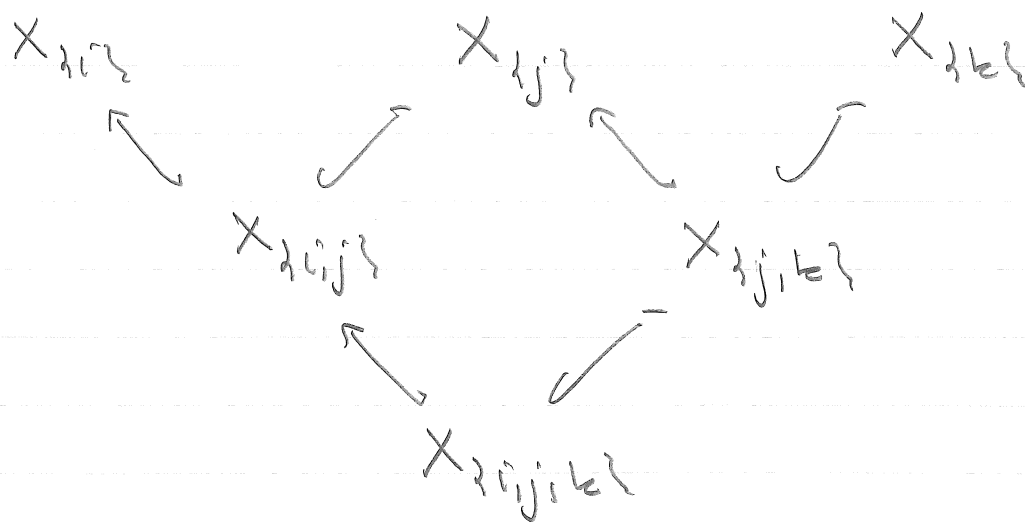
First, the space Y is the quotient

$$Y = \left(\coprod_{i \in I} X_{\{i\}} \right) / \sim$$

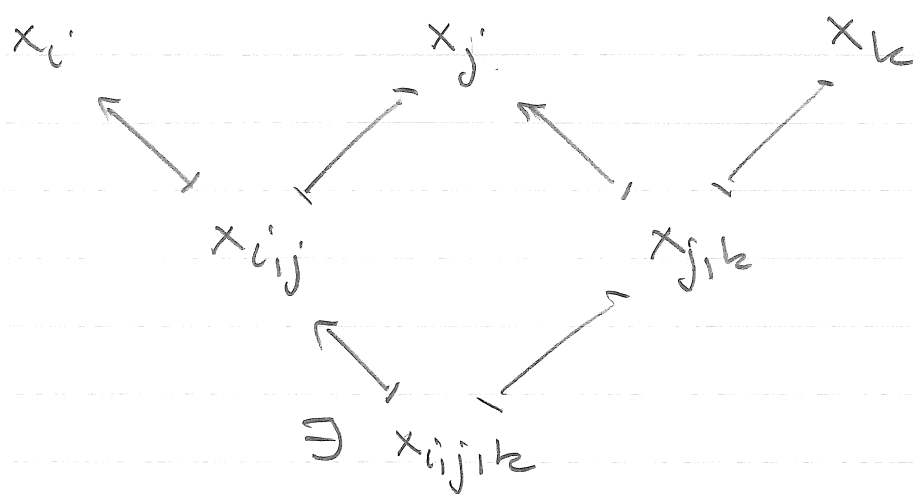
where $\sim$ is the equivalence rel.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} x_i \in X_{\{i\}} & \sim & x_j \in X_{\{j\}} \\ \swarrow & & \searrow \\ & X_{\{i,j\}} & \\ \swarrow & & \searrow \\ x_i & & x_j \\ \swarrow & & \searrow \\ & \mathbb{A}^1_{x_{ij}} & \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \xleftrightarrow{\text{def}} \\ \end{array}$$

To see that $\sim$ is transitive, we consider the diagram



The middle square is a cocartesian diagram of spaces in which the maps are open inclusions; but such a square is also cartesian. Thus



and the element

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_{i|j|k|l} & \hookrightarrow & X_{i|j|k} \\ X_{i|j|k} & \hookrightarrow & x_{i|k} \end{array}$$

shows that $x_i \sim x_k$.

It follows that $\text{ins} : X_S \rightarrow Y$ is an open inclusion. We leave it as an exercise to show that

$$\text{ins}^* \mathcal{O}_Y \xrightarrow{\text{ins}^\#} \mathcal{O}_{X_S}$$

is an isomorphism. Since the open subsets $\text{ins}(X_S) \subset Y$ cover Y , this shows that $(Y, \mathcal{O}_Y)$ is a scheme and that

$$(X_S, \mathcal{O}_{X_S}) \xrightarrow{(\text{ins}, \text{ins}^\#)} (Y, \mathcal{O}_Y)$$

is a morphism of schemes; in fact, that it is an open immersion. Finally, let

$$\{ (X_S, \mathcal{O}_{X_S}) \xrightarrow{(f_S, f_S^\#)} (Z, \mathcal{O}_Z) \}$$

be a set of morphisms of schemes, compatible with the morphisms in the cubical diagram. We must show that the unique morphism of ringed spaces

$$(Y, \mathcal{O}_Y) \xrightarrow{(f, f^\#)} (Z, \mathcal{O}_Z)$$

s.t.

$$(f_S, f_S^\#) = (f, f^\#) \circ (\text{ins}, \text{ins}^\#)$$

for all S , f is a morphism of locally ringed spaces. That is, if $y \in Y$ and $z = f(y) \in Z$, then we must show that

$$\mathcal{O}_{Z,z} \xrightarrow{f_y^\#} \mathcal{O}_{Y,y}$$

is local. But if $y \in \text{ins}_S(X_S)$, $z = \text{ins}_S(x)$, then the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{O}_{Z,z} & \xrightarrow{f_y^\#} & \mathcal{O}_{Y,y} \\ f_{S,x}^\# \searrow & & \swarrow \text{ins}_{S,x}^\# \\ & \mathcal{O}_{X_S,x} & \end{array}$$

commutes, and $\text{ins}_{S,x}^\#$ is an isom., since $(\text{ins}_S, \text{ins}_S^\#)$ is an open immersion. Hence, as $f_{S,x}^\#$ is local, so is $f_y^\#$. //

Ex (1) Let A be a ring, and let $I = A$. There is a strongly cocart. punctured I -cubical diagram with

$$P_0(A)^{\circ P} \longrightarrow \text{Schemes}$$

$$S \longmapsto (\text{Spec}(S^{-1}A), \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec}(S^{-1}A)})$$

and with the morphisms induced by the canonical ring homomorphisms $S^{-1}A \rightarrow T^{-1}A$. The colimit of course is $(\text{Spec}(A), \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec}(A)})$.

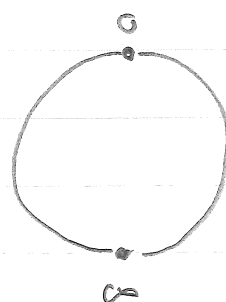
(2) The projective line is obtained as the following colimit

$$\text{Spec}(k[t^{\pm 1}]) \xrightarrow{t \mapsto x} \text{Spec}(k[x])$$

$$\downarrow y \mapsto t^{-1}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\text{Spec}(k[y]) \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^1$$



(3) The affine line with a double point is the following colimit

$$\text{Spec}(k[t^{\pm 1}]) \xrightarrow{t \mapsto x} \text{Spec}(k[x])$$

$$\downarrow y \mapsto t$$

$$\downarrow$$



$$\text{Spec}(k[y]) \longrightarrow X$$

(4) Let $\mathcal{O}$ be a noetherian local ring, let $X = \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}$, and let

$$U = X - \{x\}.$$

We claim that $U \subset X$ is open, or

equivalently, that $\{x\} \subset X$ is closed.
In general, $\overline{\{x\}} = V(\mathfrak{p}_x)$, since

$$x \in V(I) \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{p}_x \supset I \Rightarrow V(\mathfrak{p}_x) \subset V(I),$$

and

$$\{x\} = \overline{\{x\}} \Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{p}_x = \{\mathfrak{p} \subset A \mid \mathfrak{p} \supset \mathfrak{p}_x\} \Leftrightarrow$$

$\mathfrak{p}_x \subset A$ maximal.

So $U \subset X$ is open. If

$$m_x = \sqrt{(f_1, \dots, f_n)},$$

then

$$\{x\} = V(m_x)$$

$$= \{y \in X \mid f_1(y) = \dots = f_n(y) = 0\}$$

$$= \bigcap_{i=1}^n \{y \in X \mid f_i(y) = 0\}$$

so

$$U = \bigcup_{i=1}^n D(f_i)$$

$$= \bigcup_{i=1}^n \text{Spec}(\sigma_{f_i}).$$

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