

Divided Powers: II

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Outline

- 1 Local version: P.D. algebras
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P.D. envelope

We start with the "P.D. envelope" of an ideal, which is the P.D. analogues of formal completion.

Theorem (Existence & Universal property of P.D. envelope)

Given

- (A, I, γ) : a P.D. ring.
- B : an A -algebra (via $f : A \rightarrow B$).
- $J \subset B$: an ideal.

There exists a B -P.D. algebra $(\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J), \bar{J}, [\])$ (via $\psi : B \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J)$) such that

- $J\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J) \subset \bar{J}$.
- $[\]$ compatible with γ (via $\psi \circ f$).

satisfies the following universal property:

Theorem (Existence & Universal property of P.D. envelope)

For any B -P.D. algebra (C, K, δ) (via $\psi' : B \rightarrow C$) satisfying

- $JC \subset K$.
- δ compatible with γ (via $\psi' \circ f$).

There exists a unique P.D. morphism $(\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J), \bar{J}, [\]) \rightarrow (C, K, \delta)$ making the following diagram commute

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & (\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J), \bar{J}, [\]) & \\ \psi \uparrow & \searrow & \\ (B, J) & \xrightarrow{\psi'} & (C, K, \delta) \\ f \uparrow & & \\ (A, I, \gamma) & & \end{array}$$

This B -P.D. algebra $(\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J), \bar{J}, [\])$ is called *the P.D. envelope of J in B relative to (A, I, γ)* .

Proof: Special case

Existence

Assume $IB \subset J$. In this case, both $\psi \circ f$ and $\psi' \circ f$ are P.D. morphism. The natural candidate for $(\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J), \bar{J}, [\])$ is the Roby's algebra

$$(\Gamma_B(J), \Gamma_B^+(J), [\]) \text{ plus } \psi : J \rightarrow \Gamma_B^1(J) \cong J \subset \Gamma_B(J)$$

But there may be two problems:

- ① Is $J\Gamma_B(J) \subset \Gamma_B^+(J)$, i.e.

$$\text{Is } \underbrace{\psi(x)}_{\deg=1} - \underbrace{x}_{\deg=0} = 0 \text{ for } x \in J?$$

Let $\mathcal{J}_1 \subset \Gamma_B(J)$ be the ideal generated by elements of this form.

- ② Is $[\]$ compatible with γ (via $\psi \circ f$), i.e.

$$\text{Is } \psi(f(y))^{[n]} - \psi(f(\gamma_n(y))) = 0 \text{ for any } y \in I?$$

Let $\mathcal{J}_2 \subset \Gamma_B(J)$ be the ideal generated by elements of this form.

Proof: Special case

Existence *cont.*

Let $\mathcal{J} := \mathcal{J}_1 + \mathcal{J}_2$ and define

$$(\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J), \bar{J}, [\]) := (\Gamma_B(J)/\mathcal{J}, \Gamma_B^+(J)/\mathcal{J}, [\])$$

This will solve these two problems. BUT! It brings a new problem:

Is $(\Gamma_B(J)/\mathcal{J}, \Gamma_B^+(J)/\mathcal{J}, [\])$ a B -P.D. algebra?

Note: this is a quotient ring of a P.D. ring. By Lemma (P.D. structure on a quotient ring), need to check

$\mathcal{J} \cap \Gamma_B^+(J) \subset \Gamma_B^+(J)$ is a sub-P.D. ideal

Since $\mathcal{J}_2 \subset \Gamma_B^+(J)$, we have $\mathcal{J} \cap \Gamma_B^+(J) = \mathcal{J}_1 \cap \Gamma_B^+(J) + \mathcal{J}_2$. Using the formula $\gamma_n(x + y)$, it suffices to show

$$x^{[n]} \in \mathcal{J} \cap \Gamma_B^+(J) \text{ if } x \in \mathcal{J}_1 \cap \Gamma_B^+(J) \text{ or } x \in \mathcal{J}_2$$

Proof: Special case

Existence *cont.*

If $x \in \mathcal{J}_1 \cap \Gamma_B^+(J)$, say

$$x = \sum a_i \underbrace{(\psi(x_i))}_{\deg=1} - \underbrace{x_i}_{\deg=0} \text{ with } a_i \in \Gamma_B(J)$$

Since $x \in \Gamma_B^+(J)$, the degree 0 part of this sum vanishes. Write $a_i = a_i^0 + a_i^+$ with $a_i^0 \in \Gamma_B^0(J) = B$ and $a_i^+ \in \Gamma_B^+(J)$, then

$$\sum a_i^0 x_i = 0 \text{ and hence } 0 = \psi\left(\sum a_i^0 x_i\right) = \sum a_i^0 \psi(x_i)$$

i.e. $\sum a_i^0 (\psi(x_i) - x_i) = 0$. Then

$$x = \sum a_i^+ (\psi(x_i) - x_i) \in \mathcal{J}_1 \Gamma_B^+(J)$$

This shows $\mathcal{J}_1 \cap \Gamma_B^+(J) = \mathcal{J}_1 \Gamma_B^+(J)$ and it is easily seen to be a sub-P.D. ideal of $\Gamma_B^+(J)$. Then $x^{[n]} \in \mathcal{J}_1 \cap \Gamma_B^+(J) \subset \mathcal{J} \cap \Gamma_B^+(J)$.

Proof: Special case

Existence *cont.*

If $x \in \mathcal{J}_2$, by Lemma (being a sub-P.D. ideal can be checked on a generating set), it suffices to see

$$\left(\psi(f(y))^{[n]} - \psi(f(\gamma_n(y))) \right)^{[m]} \in \mathcal{J} \cap \Gamma_B^+(J) \text{ for } y \in I \text{ and } m \geq 1$$

Clearly, it is in $\Gamma_B^+(J)$. It's remaining to show it is in \mathcal{J} (to simplify, write $x^{[n]}$ for $\psi(x)^{[n]}$): LONG computation involved!

Proof: Special case

Existence *cont.*

$$\left(f(y)^{[n]} - f(\gamma_n(y))^{[1]}\right)^{[m]} = \sum_{r+s=m} (-1)^s (f(y)^{[n]})^{[r]} (f(\gamma_n(y))^{[1]})^{[s]} \quad (\text{A2})$$

$$= \sum_{r+s=m} (-1)^s C_{r,n} f(y)^{[nr]} f(\gamma_n(y))^{[s]} \quad (\text{A5})$$

$$\equiv \sum_{r+s=m} (-1)^s C_{r,n} f(\gamma_{nr}(y)) f(\gamma_s(y) \gamma_n(y))$$

$$\equiv f \left(\sum_{r+s=m} (-1)^s \gamma_r(\gamma_n(y)) \gamma_s(\gamma_n(y)) \right) \quad (\text{A5})$$

$$\equiv f \left((\gamma_n(y) - \gamma_n(y))^{[m]} \right) \quad (\text{A2})$$

$$\equiv 0 \pmod{\mathcal{I}}$$

Proof: Special case

Universal property

Assume $IC \subset K$. In this case, by the universal property of $(\Gamma_B(J), \Gamma_B^+(J), [\])$, there is a P.D. morphism

$$(\Gamma_B(J), \Gamma_B^+(J), [\]) \rightarrow (C, K, \delta)$$

Then check it factors through $(\Gamma_B(J)/\mathcal{I}, \Gamma_B^+(J)/\mathcal{I}, [\])$.

Proof: General case

- (Existence) Apply Special case to $f : (A, I, \gamma) \rightarrow (B, J + IB)$, we obtain a B -P.D. algebra

$$(\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J + IB), \overline{J + IB}, [\])$$

and let $\bar{J} \subset \overline{J + IB}$ be the sub-P.D. ideal generated by J . Then

$$(\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J + IB), \bar{J}, [\])$$

is what we want.

- (Universal property) Apply Special case to

$$(A, I, \gamma) \xrightarrow{f} (B, J + IB) \xrightarrow{\psi'} (C, K + IC, \delta')$$

we obtain a P.D. morphism

$$(\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J + IB), \bar{J}, [\]) \rightarrow (C, K + IC, \delta')$$

but $\bar{J}C$ (the sub-P.D. ideal generated by JC) is already in K .

P.D. envelope

Representability reformulation

Theorem (Existence & Universal property of P.D. envelope)

Given

- (A, I, γ) : a P.D. ring.
- B : an A -algebra (via $f : A \rightarrow B$).
- $J \subset B$: an ideal.

Then the functor $F : \mathcal{PD} \rightarrow \mathcal{Set}$ defined by

$$(C, K, \delta) \mapsto \left\{ \psi' \left| \begin{array}{l} \psi' : (B, J) \rightarrow (C, K) \text{ an } A\text{-alg morp with } JC \subset K \text{ s.t.} \\ \psi' \circ f : (A, I, \gamma) \rightarrow (C, K, \delta) \text{ is a morp of P.D. rings} \end{array} \right. \right\}$$

is representable, where \mathcal{PD} is the category of B -P.D. algebras.

One by-product

Lemma (Criteria for extension of P.D. structure)

The followings are equivariant:

- *A P.D. structure on IB compatible with γ .*
- *A section of the canonical map $B \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(IB)$ such that if K is its kernel, then $K \cap \overline{IB} \subset \overline{IB}$ is a sub-P.D. ideal.*

Proof.

Exercise for universal property.



One example

If M is an A -mod, $B := \mathrm{Sym}_A^\bullet(M)$, $J := \mathrm{Sym}_A^+(M)$, then

$$\mathcal{D}_{B,0}(J) = \Gamma_A(M)$$

where 0 means the trivial P.D. structure on $(0) \subset A$.

In particular, if M is a free A -mod with basis $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$, then $B = A[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ and $J = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$, then

$$\mathcal{D}_{B,0}(J) = A\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$$

is the P.D. polynomial algebra.

Important remarks

- (1) $\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J)$ only depends on $J + IB$, while \bar{J} still depends on J .
□ By the very construction of $\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J)$.
- (2) If the structure map $A \rightarrow B$ factors through some A' and γ extends to γ' on A' , then

$$\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J) = \mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma'}(J)$$

□ By the very construction of $\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J)$, the base ring A only play a role in \mathcal{I}_2 , where there is obviously no difference between choosing those y from I or IA' .

- (3) As a B -algebra, $\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J)$ is generated by $\{x^{[n]} : n \geq 0, x \in J\}$,
□ This was already true for $\Gamma_B(J)$.

Any set of generators of J gives a set of P.D. generators of \bar{J} .

□ This is trivial.

Important remarks

- (4) The canonical map $B/J \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J)/\bar{J}$ is an isomorphism iff γ extends to B/J , e.g. if I is principal or $IB \subset J$.

□ \Rightarrow Trivial. \Leftarrow By the universal property of $(\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J), \bar{J}, [\])$.

- (5) If γ extends to B/J and $B \rightarrow B/J$ has a section, then $\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J) = \mathcal{D}_{B,0}(J)$, i.e. we can drop the compatibility condition.

□ The idea is to construct an inverse to the canonical surjective map $\mathcal{D}_{B,0}(J) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J)$ via universal property. To achieve this, we need to construct a (new) B -P.D. algebra structure on $\mathcal{D}_{B,0}(J)$ which is compatible with γ .

Indeed, denote by $\bar{\gamma}$ the extension of γ to B/J . The section $B/J \rightarrow B \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{B,0}(J)$ of $\mathcal{D}_{B,0}(J) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{B,0}(J)/\bar{J} = B/J$ splits

$$\mathcal{D}_{B,0}(J) = B/J \oplus \bar{J}$$

Then $\bar{\gamma}$ extends to $\mathcal{D}_{B,0}(J)$ and this is a B -P.D. algebra structure compatible with γ .

Important remarks

(6) If $K \subset B$ is an ideal such that $K\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J) = 0$, then

$$\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J) = \mathcal{D}_{B/K,\gamma}(J/J \cap K)$$

□ Exercise of universal property.

For example, if $mB = 0$ for some integer m and J has $\leq q$ generators, then $J^{(m-1)q+1}\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J) = 0$ and hence

$$\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J) = \mathcal{D}_{B/J^{(m-1)q+1},\gamma}(J/J^{(m-1)q+1})$$

Geometrically, this means $\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J)$ only depends on infinitesimal neighborhood of $V(J)$ in $\text{Spec}(B)$.

Important remarks

- (7) (Base change) If $(A, I, \gamma) \rightarrow (A', I', \gamma')$ is a surjective P.D. morphism and $B' := A' \otimes_A B$, $J' := JB'$. Then the canonical map

$$A' \otimes_A \mathcal{D}_{B, \gamma}(J) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{B', \gamma'}(J') \text{ is an isomorphism}$$

□ By the universal property of $\mathcal{D}_{B', \gamma'}(J')$, it suffices to see the image of \bar{J} in $A' \otimes_A \mathcal{D}_{B, \gamma}(J)$ has a P.D. structure compatible with γ' , or equivalently, the kernel of $\mathcal{D}_{B, \gamma}(J) \rightarrow A' \otimes_A \mathcal{D}_{B, \gamma}(J)$ meets \bar{J} in a sub-P.D. ideal. If $A' = A/K$, then this kernel is $K\mathcal{D}_{B, \gamma}(J)$. To see $K\mathcal{D}_{B, \gamma}(J) \cap \bar{J} \subset \bar{J}$ is a sub-P.D. ideal, we use that $K \subset I$ is a sub-P.D. ideal and $[\]$ compatible with γ . Everything is then clear from Proposition-Definition (compatibility).

Change of algebra

Proposition (Change of algebra)

If B' is a B -algebra, then there is a natural map

$$\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J) \otimes_B B' \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{B',\gamma}(JB')$$

which is an isomorphism if B' is flat over B .

Proof.

The above map comes from $\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{B',\gamma}(JB')$, given by the universal property. If B' is flat over B , then $JB' = J \otimes_B B'$ and so $\Gamma_{B'}(JB') \cong \Gamma_B(J) \otimes_B B'$ is flat over $\Gamma_B(J)$. By definition

$$\mathcal{J}' = \mathcal{J} \Gamma_{B'}(JB') = \mathcal{J} \otimes \Gamma_B(J) \otimes B' \cong \mathcal{J} \otimes B'$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{B',\gamma}(JB') = \Gamma_{B'}(JB') / \mathcal{J}' = \Gamma_B(J) \otimes B' / \mathcal{J} \otimes B' = \mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J) \otimes_B B'$$



Change of algebra

Corollary (Extension of P.D. structure on flat case)

If B is a flat A -algebra, then γ extends to B .

Proof.

We have a map $\mathcal{D}_{A,\gamma}(I) \rightarrow A$ with a P.D. kernel. Tensored with B yields $\mathcal{D}_{A,\gamma}(I) \otimes_A B \rightarrow B$. By Proposition, this is $\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(IB) \rightarrow B$. Let K be its kernel, then $K \cap \overline{IB} \subset \overline{IB}$ is a sub-P.D. ideal. Then apply Lemma (Criteria for extension of P.D. structure). □

Change of algebra

Corollary ($\mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J)$ as \mathbb{Q} -algebra)

The map $B \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J)$ is an isomorphism mod \mathbb{Z} -torsion.

Proof.

Let $B' := B \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$. Then B' is flat over B and $\mathcal{D}_{B',\gamma}(JB') = B'$ (since B' is now a \mathbb{Q} -algebra). By Proposition

$$B \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q} = B' = \mathcal{D}_{B',\gamma}(JB') = \mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J) \otimes_B B' = \mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$$

i.e. the map $B \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{B,\gamma}(J)$ becomes an isomorphism if tensored \mathbb{Q} . □

P.D. nilpotent

Definition (P.D. nilpotent)

Let (A, I, γ) be a P.D. ring. Then $I^{[n]}$ is the ideal generated by

$$\gamma_{i_1}(x_1) \cdots \gamma_{i_k}(x_k) \text{ for } \sum i_j \geq n \text{ and } x_j \in I$$

and I is called *P.D. nilpotent* if $I^{[n]} = 0$ for some $n \geq 1$.

Clearly $I^n \subset I^{[n]}$, then P.D. nilpotent \Rightarrow nilpotent, but the converse is not true, e.g. $(2) \subset \mathbb{Z}/2^m\mathbb{Z}$ for some $m > 1$ (recall $x^n = n!\gamma_n(x)$).

Proposition

$I^{[n]} \subset I$ is a sub-P.D. ideal and $I^{[n]}I^{[m]} \subset I^{[n+m]}$.

Proof.

By Lemma (being a sub-P.D. ideal can be checked on a generating set), compute $\gamma_p(\gamma_{i_1}(x_1) \cdots \gamma_{i_k}(x_k)) \in I^{[n]}$ for any $p \geq 1$. □

Sheaf of P.D. rings

Definition

We can speak of a sheaf of P.D. rings on a topological space.

Definition (Sheaf of P.D. rings)

A *sheaf of P.D. rings on a topological space X* is a triple $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}, \gamma)$ where

- \mathcal{A} is a sheaf of rings on X .
- $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{A}$ is a sheaf of ideals on X .
- $\gamma = (\gamma_i : \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathcal{I})_{i \geq 0}$ is a collection of morphism of sheaves.

such that for any open $U \subset X$, the restriction

$$(\mathcal{A}(U), \mathcal{I}(U), \gamma(U)) \text{ is a P.D. ring}$$

Sheaf of P.D. rings

Basic operations

Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a continuous map of topological spaces. The following constructions mean the obvious things.

- ① (Push-forward) If $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}, \gamma)$ is a sheaf of P.D. rings on X , then $(f_*\mathcal{A}, f_*\mathcal{I}, f_*\gamma)$ is a sheaf of P.D. rings on Y .
- ② (Pull-back) If $(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{J}, \delta)$ is a sheaf of P.D. rings on Y , then $(f^*\mathcal{B}, f^*\mathcal{J}, f^*\delta)$ is a sheaf of P.D. rings on X .
- ③ and so on...

P.D. ringed space

Definition (P.D. ringed space & P.D. scheme)

- A *P.D. ringed space* is a pair $(X, (\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}, \gamma))$ where X is a topological space and $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}, \gamma)$ is a sheaf of P.D. rings on X .
- A *P.D. scheme* is a P.D. ringed space $(X, (\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}, \gamma))$ such that X is a scheme (with Zariski topology) and $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{O}_X$.

Definition (Morphism of P.D. ringed spaces)

A *morphism of P.D. ringed spaces* $f : (X, (\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}, \gamma)) \rightarrow (Y, (\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{J}, \delta))$ consists of

- ① a continuous map $f : X \rightarrow Y$ of topological spaces.
- ② a morphism of sheaves of P.D. rings

$$f^\# : (\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{J}, \delta) \rightarrow (f_*\mathcal{A}, f_*\mathcal{I}, f_*\gamma)$$

In particular, it is a P.D. morphism when restricted to opens.

Building blocks: affine P.D. scheme

Let (A, I, γ) be a P.D. ring. Forgetting the P.D. structure, we get

an affine scheme $(\mathrm{Spec}(A), \mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Spec}(A)})$ + a sheaf of ideals $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Spec}(A)}$ defined by $\mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Spec}(A)}(D(p)) = A_p$ and $\mathcal{I}(D(p)) = I_p$ for any $p \in A$.

Fact (P.D. structure on localization)

The localization pair (A_p, I_p) has a canonical P.D. structure γ given by

$$\gamma_n(x/p^i) := \gamma_n(x)/p^{in} \text{ for any } x \in A \text{ and } n \geq 0$$

Sheafification of this fact gives a P.D. structure on \mathcal{I} , hence yields a sheaf of P.D. rings $(\mathcal{O}_{\mathrm{Spec}(A)}, \mathcal{I}, \gamma)$ on $\mathrm{Spec}(A)$ which makes it into a P.D. ringed space, sometimes denoted by

$$\mathrm{Spec}(A, I, \gamma)$$

Again, there is a bijection

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{P.D.}}(\mathrm{Spec}(A, I, \gamma), \mathrm{Spec}(B, J, \delta)) = \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathrm{P.D.}}((B, J, \delta) \rightarrow (A, I, \gamma))$$

Sheafification of P.D. envelope

In the rest, we fix a base P.D. scheme $(S, (\mathcal{O}_S, \mathcal{I}, \gamma))$.

Proposition (Sheafification of P.D. envelope)

Given

- X : an S -scheme.
- \mathcal{B} : a quasi-coherent sheaf of \mathcal{O}_X -algebras.
- $\mathcal{J} \subset \mathcal{B}$: a quasi-coherent sheaf of ideals.

Then $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{B}, \gamma}(\mathcal{J})$ is a quasi-coherent sheaf of \mathcal{O}_X -algebras.

In picture, we just replace

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (A, I, \gamma) & \xrightarrow{f} & (B, J) \xrightarrow{\psi} (\mathcal{D}_{B, \gamma}(J), \bar{J}, [\]) \\ & & \Downarrow \\ (\mathcal{O}_S, \mathcal{I}, \gamma) & \xrightarrow{f} & (\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{J}) \xrightarrow{\psi} (\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{B}, \gamma}(\mathcal{J}), \bar{\mathcal{J}}, [\]) \end{array}$$

P.D. neighbourhood

Definition

Let $i : X \hookrightarrow Y$ be a closed immersion of S -scheme defined by $\mathcal{I}_X \subset \mathcal{O}_Y$. In this case we write

$$\mathcal{D}_{X,\gamma}(Y) := \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{O}_Y,\gamma}(\mathcal{I}_X) \text{ and } \mathcal{D}_{X,\gamma}^n(Y) := \mathcal{D}_{X,\gamma}(Y)/\bar{J}^{[n+1]}$$

Because of Proposition, they are quasi-coherent \mathcal{O}_Y -algebras.

Definition (n^{th} -order P.D. neighborhood of X in Y)

The schemes

$$i_n : \mathbf{D}_{X,\gamma}^n(Y) := \underline{\text{Spec}}_Y(\mathcal{D}_{X,\gamma}^n(Y)) \rightarrow Y \text{ for } n \geq -1$$

are called *the n^{th} -order P.D. neighborhood of X in Y* .

Warning: This is not a subscheme of Y !

P.D. neighbourhood

Why the name?

In case that γ extends to $\mathcal{O}_Y/\mathcal{I}_X = \mathcal{O}_X$ (i.e. to X), then by Remark 4

$$\mathcal{D}_{X,\gamma}(Y)/\bar{J} = \mathcal{O}_X$$

and $i : X \hookrightarrow Y$ factors through a closed immersion $j : X \hookrightarrow \mathbf{D}_{X,\gamma}(Y)$ as

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{i} & Y \\ & \searrow j & \nearrow i_n \\ & \mathbf{D}_{X,\gamma}(Y) & \end{array}$$

This somehow explains the name.

P.D. neighbourhood

Local structure

Proposition (Local structure of $\mathcal{D}_{X,\gamma}(Y)$)

If $i : X \hookrightarrow Y$ is a (closed) immersion of smooth S -schemes and $m\mathcal{O}_Y = 0$. Then $\mathcal{D}_{X,\gamma}(Y)$ is locally isomorphic to a P.D. polynomial algebra over \mathcal{O}_X generated by $d := \text{codim}(X)$ elements.

In fact, we can compute it directly as

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{D}_{X,\gamma}(Y) &:= \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{O}_Y,\gamma}(\mathcal{I}_X) = \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{O}_Y/\mathcal{I}_X^N,\gamma}(\mathcal{I}_X/\mathcal{I}_X^N) \text{ (Remark 6)} \\ &= \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{O}_Y/\mathcal{I}_X^N,0}(\mathcal{I}_X/\mathcal{I}_X^N) \text{ (Remark 5)} \\ &= \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{O}_X[t_1,\dots,t_d]/\mathcal{I}^N,0}(\mathcal{I}/\mathcal{I}^N) \text{ (} X/S \text{ smooth)} \\ &= \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{O}_X[t_1,\dots,t_d],0}(\mathcal{I}) \text{ (explicit)} \\ &= \mathcal{O}_X\langle t_1, \dots, t_d \rangle\end{aligned}$$

where $N := (m-1)d + 1$ and $\mathcal{I} := (t_1, \dots, t_d) \subset \mathcal{O}_X[t_1, \dots, t_d]$.

Compatibility with inverse limit

Set-up

For many purposes it is convenient to work over a **formal base**: need to know the compatibilities of $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{O}_Y, \gamma}(\mathcal{J})$ with inverse limits. Given

- (A, I, γ) : a Noetherian P.D. ring.
- $P \subset I$: a sub-P.D. ideal such that A is P -adically complete

By Corollary (Powers of P.D. ideals), $P^{n+1} \subset I$ is a sub-P.D. ideal and we have a natural P.D. morphism by Lemma (P.D. structure on a quotient ring)

$$(A, I, \gamma) \rightarrow (A_n, I_n, \gamma) := (A/P^{n+1}, IA/P^{n+1}, \gamma)$$

The P.D. structure on I_n induces a P.D. structure on

$$\hat{I} := \varprojlim I_n \subset \varprojlim A_n := \hat{A}$$

and finally yields a P.D. morphism $(A, I, \gamma) \rightarrow (\hat{A}, \hat{I}, \gamma) \rightarrow (A_n, I_n, \gamma)$.
For any formal A -scheme Z , let $Z_n := Z \times_{\mathrm{Spec}(A)} \mathrm{Spec}(A_n)$.

Compatibility with inverse limit

Statement

The following is just a global version of Remark 8.

Proposition (Compatibility of $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{O}_Y, \gamma}(\mathcal{J})$ with inverse limit)

Given

- Y : a formal A -scheme with ideal of definition containing $P\mathcal{O}_Y$ such that γ extends to Y .
- $\mathcal{J} \subset \mathcal{O}_Y$: a sheaf of ideals.

Then there are canonical isomorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} A_n \otimes_A \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{O}_Y, \gamma}(\mathcal{J}) &\xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{O}_{Y_n}, \gamma}(\mathcal{J}\mathcal{O}_{Y_n}) \\ \widehat{\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{O}_Y, \gamma}(\mathcal{J})} &\xrightarrow{\sim} \varprojlim \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{O}_{Y_n}, \gamma}(\mathcal{J}\mathcal{O}_{Y_n}) \end{aligned}$$

In particular, $\hat{\hat{\mathcal{J}}}$ has a canonical P.D. structure compatible with γ .

Compatibility with inverse limit

Geometric interpretation

The following is just a global version of Remark 7.

Corollary (The invariance of $\widehat{\mathbf{D}_{X,\gamma}(Y)}$ under formal completion)

Given

- Y : a formal A -scheme with ideal of definition containing $P\mathcal{O}_Y$ such that γ extends to Y .
- $X \subset Y$: a formal subscheme.

Assume that P contains a non-zero integer. Then there is a canonical isomorphism

$$\widehat{\mathbf{D}_{X,\gamma}(Y/X)} \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbf{D}_{X,\gamma}(Y)}$$

where Y/X is the formal completion of Y along X .

Compatibility with inverse limit

Local structure

Corollary (Local structure of $\widehat{\mathbf{D}_{X,\gamma}(Y)}$)

Given

- Y : a formal A -scheme with ideal of definition containing $P\mathcal{O}_Y$ such that γ extends to Y .
- $X \subset Y$: a formal subscheme.

Assume that Y/A and X/A_0 are smooth. Then $\widehat{\mathbf{D}_{X,\gamma}(Y)}$ is locally isomorphic to the P -adic completion of a P.D. polynomial algebra with coefficient in a formally smooth A -algebra.

In particular, if A has no \mathbb{Z} -torsion, then $\widehat{\mathbf{D}_{X,\gamma}(Y)}$ has none.

Thanks !