

Problems on adic spaces and perfectoid spaces

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1 Topological rings and valuations

Notation For a valuation $v: A \rightarrow \Gamma \cup \{0\}$ on a ring A , we write Γ_v for the subgroup of Γ generated by $\{v(a) \mid a \in A\} \setminus \{0\}$, and call it the value group of v . A subgroup H of Γ_v is said to be convex if $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in \Gamma_v$ with $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq a_3$ and $a_1, a_3 \in H$ implies $a_2 \in H$. The height of v means the supremum of the length r of a chain of convex subgroups $\{1\} = H_0 \subsetneq H_1 \subsetneq \cdots \subsetneq H_r = \Gamma_v$. We write $\text{supp } v$ for the prime ideal $v^{-1}(0)$, and call it the support of v .

1.1 Let A be a ring and $v: A \rightarrow \Gamma \cup \{0\}$ be a valuation on A . Prove that the height of v is 1 if and only if $\Gamma_v \neq 1$ and there exists an order-preserving injective group homomorphism $\Gamma_v \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$.

1.2 Let V be a valuation ring with valuation $v: V \rightarrow \Gamma \cup \{0\}$, and $K = \text{Frac } V$ its fraction field. Consider the valuation topology on K , i.e., the topology generated by the subsets $\{x \in K \mid v(x) \leq a\}$ with $a \in \Gamma_v$. Prove that the following are equivalent:

- K is a Tate ring (i.e., a Huber ring which has a topologically nilpotent unit).
- V has a prime ideal of height 1.

In [Hub96, Definition 1.1.4], such a valuation ring is said to be microbial.

1.3 Let A be a ring, and $\text{Spv } A$ the set of equivalence classes of valuations on A . Consider the topology of $\text{Spv } A$ generated by the subsets $\{v \in \text{Spv } A \mid v(a) \leq v(b) \neq 0\}$ with $a, b \in A$. Prove that $\text{Spv } A$ is quasi-compact.

Hint: consider the map $\phi: \text{Spv } A \rightarrow \prod_{A \times A} \{0, 1\} = \text{Map}(A \times A, \{0, 1\})$ defined by

$$\phi(v)(a, b) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } v(a) \leq v(b), \\ 0 & \text{if } v(a) > v(b). \end{cases}$$

Observe that $\text{Im } \phi$ is a closed subset of $\prod_{A \times A} \{0, 1\}$ with respect to the product topology of the discrete topology on $\{0, 1\}$.

1.4 Let the notation be as in 1.3. Let $v: A \rightarrow \Gamma \cup \{0\}$ be a valuation on A .

- (i) For a convex subgroup $H \subset \Gamma_v$ containing $\{v(a) \mid a \in A, v(a) \geq 1\}$, let $v|_H: A \rightarrow H \cup \{0\}$ be a map defined by

$$a \mapsto \begin{cases} v(a) & \text{if } v(a) \in H, \\ 0 & \text{if } v(a) \notin H. \end{cases}$$

Prove that $v|_H$ is a valuation of A , and it is a specialization of v in $\text{Spv } A$. Such a specialization of v is called a primary specialization.

- (ii) For a convex subgroup $H \subset \Gamma_v$, let $v/H: A \rightarrow \Gamma_v/H \cup \{0\}$ be a map defined by

$$a \mapsto \begin{cases} v(a) \bmod H & \text{if } v(a) \neq 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } v(a) = 0. \end{cases}$$

Prove that v/H is a valuation of A , and v is a specialization of v/H (i.e., v lies in the closure of v/H) in $\text{Spv } A$. A valuation $v \in \text{Spv } A$ is said to be a secondary specialization of $w \in \text{Spv } A$ if there exists a convex subgroup H of Γ_w such that $w = v/H$.

- (iii) Let $w \in \text{Spv } A$ be a specialization of $v \in \text{Spv } A$ such that $\text{supp } v = \text{supp } w$. Observe that w is a secondary specialization of v . (In fact, if A is not necessarily Tate, w is known to be a primary specialization of a secondary specialization.)
- (iv) We put $k_v = \text{Frac}(A/\text{supp } v)$. The valuation v on A induces that on k_v , by which k_v becomes a valuation field. We write k_v^\sim for the residue field of k_v . Construct a natural continuous map $\text{Spv } k_v^\sim \rightarrow \text{Spv } A$ which sends the trivial valuation to v , and prove that it induces a homeomorphism between $\text{Spv } k_v^\sim$ and the subset of $\text{Spv } A$ consisting of all secondary specializations of v .

1.5 Let A be a Huber ring. Let $v, w \in \text{Cont } A$ be continuous valuations such that w is a specialization of v . Suppose that $\text{supp } w$ is not open (note that this condition is satisfied if A is Tate). Prove that $\text{supp } v = \text{supp } w$ (hence 1.4 (iii) tells us that w is a secondary specialization of v).

Hint: for $a, b \in A$ with $w(a) = 0$, show that $v(b) < v(a) \neq 0$ implies $w(b) = 0$.

1.6 Let A be a Huber ring.

- (i) Prove that a subring A_0 of A is a ring of definition if and only if it is open and bounded.
- (ii) Assume that A is Tate and A_0 is a ring of definition of A . Prove that there exists a topologically nilpotent unit ϖ of A belonging to A_0 . Further, observe that $A = A_0[1/\varpi]$ and ϖA_0 is an ideal of definition of A_0 .

1.7 Let A be a Huber ring. We write A° for the subset of A consisting of power-bounded elements, and \widehat{A} for the completion of A .

- (i) Check that A° is an integrally closed open subring of A .
- (ii) Prove that \widehat{A} is a Huber ring.
- (iii) Prove that $(\widehat{A})^\circ = \widehat{A}^\circ$.
- (iv) Let A^+ be a ring of integral elements; in other words, (A, A^+) forms a Huber pair. Show that $(\widehat{A}, \widehat{A}^+)$ is a Huber pair.

Notation A non-archimedean field k is a complete topological field whose topology is induced from a height 1 valuation $|\cdot|: k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$. Note that our convention that k is complete is different from [Hub96, Definition 1.1.3].

It can be easily seen that k° equals the set $\{a \in k \mid |a| \leq 1\}$, where $|\cdot|$ is any height 1 valuation inducing the topology of k .

1.8 Let k be a non-archimedean field. We write $k\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle$ for the subring of $k[[T_1, \dots, T_n]]$ consisting of convergent power series

$$\sum_{I \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n} a_I T^I \quad \text{such that} \quad \lim_{|I| \rightarrow \infty} a_I \rightarrow 0.$$

Here, for $I = (i_1, \dots, i_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$, we put $T^I = T_1^{i_1} \cdots T_n^{i_n}$ and $|I| = i_1 + \cdots + i_n$. Further, we write $k^\circ\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle$ for the subring $k\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle \cap k^\circ[[T_1, \dots, T_n]]$ of $k\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle$. Take a topologically unipotent unit ϖ of k , and consider the topology on $k\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle$ such that $\{\varpi^m k^\circ\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle\}_{m \geq 0}$ is a fundamental system of open neighborhoods of 0.

- (i) Check that $k\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle$ is a complete Huber ring.
- (ii) Prove that $k\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle^\circ$ coincides with $k^\circ\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle$.
- (iii) Check that $k\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle$ satisfies the following universal property: for any complete Huber k -algebra A and its power-bounded elements $a_1, \dots, a_n \in A$, there exists a unique continuous k -algebra homomorphism $\phi: k\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle \rightarrow A$ such that $\phi(T_i) = a_i$.

1.9 Let k be a non-archimedean field, and fix a norm $|\cdot|: k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$. We consider the lexicographic order on $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$. For a non-zero $f = \sum_{I \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n} a_I T^I \in k^\circ\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle$, we write $\nu(f)$ for the maximal element $\nu \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$ such that $|a_\nu| = \max_I |a_I|$. We put $\text{LT}(f) = a_{\nu(f)} T^{\nu(f)}$, and call it the leading term of f .

- (i) Let g_1, \dots, g_m be non-zero elements of $k^\circ\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle$ whose leading terms are monic (i.e., $\text{LT}(g_i) = T^{\nu(g_i)}$). We put $M = \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq m} (\nu(g_i) + \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n)$. For every $f \in k^\circ\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle$, find $h_1, \dots, h_m \in k^\circ\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle$ such that $f - (h_1 g_1 + \cdots + h_m g_m)$ has no exponent in M .
Hint: choose $a \in k^\circ$ so that the leading term of $g_i \bmod ak^\circ$ equals $T^{\nu(g_i)}$ for every i , and consider the division in $(k^\circ / ak^\circ)[T_1, \dots, T_n]$.
- (ii) Let I be an ideal of $k^\circ\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle$. We write $\text{LT}(I)$ for the ideal of $k^\circ\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle$ generated by $\text{LT}(f)$ for all $f \in I \setminus \{0\}$. Suppose that there exist non-zero elements $g_1, \dots, g_m \in I$ whose leading terms are monic such that $\text{LT}(I) = (\text{LT}(g_1), \dots, \text{LT}(g_m))$. Prove that I is generated by g_1, \dots, g_m .
- (iii) Let I be a non-zero ideal of $k^\circ\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle$. We assume that I is saturated for a topologically nilpotent unit ϖ of k , that is, $k^\circ\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle / I$ is ϖ -torsion free. Prove that there exist non-zero elements $g_1, \dots, g_m \in I$ as in (ii), hence I is finitely generated.
Hint: let L be the subset $\{\nu(f) \mid f \in I \setminus \{0\}\}$ of $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$, which is an ideal of the monoid $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$. Use the fact that any ideal of the monoid $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$ is finitely generated.
- (iv) Prove that $k\langle T_1, \dots, T_n \rangle$ is Noetherian.

1.10 A non-archimedean field K is said to be spherically complete if every decreasing sequence $D_1 \supset D_2 \supset \dots$ of closed disks in K has non-empty intersection.

- (i) Prove that every p -adic field (that is, a finite extension of \mathbb{Q}_p) is spherically complete.
- (ii) Let \mathbb{C}_p be the completion of an algebraic closure of \mathbb{Q}_p . Prove that \mathbb{C}_p is not spherically complete.

2 Underlying spaces of adic spaces

2.1 Let (A, A^+) be a Tate Huber pair.

- (i) Fix a topologically nilpotent unit ϖ of A . For $v \in \text{Spv } A$ with $v(\varpi) < 1$, we write Γ_v^ϖ for the largest convex subgroup of Γ_v such that $v(\varpi)$ is cofinal in Γ_v^ϖ (i.e., for any $\gamma \in \Gamma_v^\varpi$, there exists $n \geq 0$ such that $v(\varpi)^n < \gamma$). Prove that the map $\phi: \{v \in \text{Spv } A \mid v(a) < 1 \text{ (} a \in A^\circ \text{)}\} \rightarrow \text{Spv } A; v \mapsto v|_{\Gamma_v^\varpi}$ (see 1.4 (i)) is well-defined and continuous.
- (ii) Observe that the image of ϕ in (i) equals $\text{Cont } A$. Deduce that $\text{Spa}(A, A^+)$ is quasi-compact.
- (iii) Recall that a rational subset of $\text{Spa}(A, A^+)$ is a subset of the form

$$U\left(\frac{f_1, \dots, f_n}{g}\right) = \left\{v \in \text{Spa}(A, A^+) \mid v(f_i) \leq v(g) \neq 0\right\},$$

where $f_1, \dots, f_n, g \in A$ such that $f_1A + \dots + f_nA = A$. Prove that rational subsets form an open basis of $\text{Spa}(A, A^+)$.

2.2 Let (A, A^+) be a Tate Huber pair. Pick a point x of $\text{Spa}(A, A^+)$, and denote by $G(x)$ the set of all generalizations of x .

- (i) Prove that $G(x)$ forms a chain; namely, for $y, z \in G(x)$, either y specializes to z or z specializes to y .
Hint: use 1.5.
- (ii) Prove that $G(x)$ contains a point y which is a generalization of every point in $G(x)$. Such a point is called the maximal generalization of x .
Hint: use 1.2.
- (iii) Let $f \in A$ be an element and $Y = \{v \in \text{Spa}(A, A^+) \mid v(f) = 0\}$ the closed subset defined by f . Prove that Y is stable under generalization.

2.3 Fix a norm $|\cdot|: \mathbb{C}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ of \mathbb{C}_p . For a closed disk D in $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p}$, we write $v_D: \mathbb{C}_p\langle T \rangle \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ for the map $f \mapsto \sup_{x \in D} |f(x)|$. Further, for a collection \mathcal{E} of closed disks in $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p}$ such that every $D, D' \in \mathcal{E}$ satisfy either $D \subset D'$ or $D \supset D'$, we put $v_{\mathcal{E}} = \inf_{D \in \mathcal{E}} v_D$.

- (i) Check that $v_{\mathcal{E}}$ gives a point of $\mathbb{D}^1 = \text{Spa}(\mathbb{C}_p\langle T \rangle, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p}\langle T \rangle)$.
- (ii) Observe that $\bigcap_{D \in \mathcal{E}} D$ is one of the following:

- one point $a \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p}$,
- a disk $\{z \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p} \mid |z - a| \leq r\}$ with $r \in |\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p}^\times|$,
- a disk $\{z \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p} \mid |z - a| \leq r\}$ with $r \in \mathbb{R}_{>0} \setminus |\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p}^\times|$, or
- empty.

In each of the first three cases, describe $v_{\mathcal{E}}$ concretely.

- (iii) In each of the cases above, determine all specializations of $v_{\mathcal{E}}$ by using 1.4 (iv).
- (iv) Let $v: \mathbb{C}_p\langle T \rangle \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ be a point with height 1 of \mathbb{D}^1 . For $a \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p}$, we write D_a for the closed disk $\{z \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p} \mid |z - a| \leq v(T - a)\}$. Prove that $v = v_{\mathcal{E}}$ for $\mathcal{E} = \{D_a \mid a \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p}\}$.
- (v) Find all points in \mathbb{D}^1 .

2.4 An admissible blow-up of a formal scheme \mathcal{X} means the blow-up along a finitely generated open ideal sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{X}}$. For example, if $\mathcal{X} = \mathrm{Spf} \mathbb{Z}_p\langle T \rangle$, an admissible blow-up is the formal completion along the special fiber of a blow-up $X' \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^1$ along a closed subscheme which is set-theoretically contained in the special fiber of $\mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^1$. We write $\Phi_{\mathcal{X}}$ for the set of admissible blow-ups of \mathcal{X} , and put $\langle \mathcal{X}^{\mathrm{rig}} \rangle = \varprojlim_{(\mathcal{X}' \rightarrow \mathcal{X}) \in \Phi_{\mathcal{X}}} \mathcal{X}'$.

- (i) Assuming \mathcal{X} is quasi-compact, deduce that $\langle \mathcal{X}^{\mathrm{rig}} \rangle$ is quasi-compact.
Hint: use the following general result due to Stone: if $\{Y_i\}_{i \in I}$ is a filtered projective system of quasi-compact T_0 topological spaces with closed transition maps, the limit space $\varprojlim_i Y_i$ is quasi-compact.
- (ii) Let $\mathcal{X} = \mathrm{Spf} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p}\langle T \rangle$. Construct a natural map $\mathbb{D}^1 = \mathrm{Spa}(\mathbb{C}_p\langle T \rangle, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p}\langle T \rangle) \rightarrow \langle \mathcal{X}^{\mathrm{rig}} \rangle$.
Hint: use the valuative criterion.
- (iii) Describe the image under the map in (ii) of each point of \mathbb{D}^1 found in 2.3 (v).
- (iv) Prove that the map in (ii) is a homeomorphism.

3 Structure (pre)sheaves of adic spaces

3.1 (i) Prove that $\mathbb{D}^1 = \mathrm{Spa}(\mathbb{C}_p\langle T \rangle, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p}\langle T \rangle)$ is connected.

(ii) Let x be a point of \mathbb{D}^1 . When is $\mathbb{D}^1 \setminus \{x\}$ non-connected?

3.2 Let (A, A^+) be a Huber pair. For a rational subset U of $\mathrm{Spa}(A, A^+)$, prove that the natural map $\mathrm{Spa}(\mathcal{O}(U), \mathcal{O}^+(U)) \rightarrow \mathrm{Spa}(A, A^+)$ induces a homeomorphism between $\mathrm{Spa}(\mathcal{O}(U), \mathcal{O}^+(U))$ and U . (Together with 2.1, we conclude that every rational subset is quasi-compact.)

Hint: first prove that $\mathrm{Spa}(\widehat{A}, \widehat{A}^+) \rightarrow \mathrm{Spa}(A, A^+)$ is a homeomorphism.

3.3 (i) Let $X = \mathrm{Spa}(A, A^+)$ be an affinoid adic space with complete Huber pair (A, A^+) and B a ring. Prove that morphisms of locally ringed spaces $(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow \mathrm{Spec} B$ are in bijection with ring homomorphisms $B \rightarrow A$.

Hint: the map $X \rightarrow \mathrm{Spec} B$ corresponding to $\phi: B \rightarrow A$ is given by $v \mapsto \{b \in B \mid v(\phi(b)) = 0\}$.

- (ii) Let k be a non-archimedean field, and $\varpi \in k$ a topologically nilpotent unit. We put $\mathbb{A}^{1,\text{ad}} = \bigcup_{m \geq 1} \text{Spa}(k\langle \varpi^m T \rangle, k^\circ\langle \varpi^m T \rangle)$. Check that $\mathbb{A}^{1,\text{ad}}$ fits into a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{A}^{1,\text{ad}} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{A}^1 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \text{Spa}(k, k^\circ) & \longrightarrow & \text{Spec } k, \end{array}$$

where the horizontal arrows are morphisms of locally ringed spaces. Further, prove that $\mathbb{A}^{1,\text{ad}}$ satisfies the following universal property:

For an adic space S over $\text{Spa}(k, k^\circ)$ and a morphism of locally ringed spaces $f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1$ which makes the following diagram commute, there exists a unique morphism of adic spaces $g: S \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^{1,\text{ad}}$ that makes the diagram commute:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & f & & \\ & \curvearrowright & & \curvearrowleft & \\ S & \xrightarrow{g} & \mathbb{A}^{1,\text{ad}} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{A}^1 \\ & \searrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ & & \text{Spa}(k, k^\circ) & \longrightarrow & \text{Spec } k. \end{array}$$

- (iii) By extending the construction in (ii), find a definition of the adic space X^{ad} attached to an algebraic variety X over k .

3.4 Let A be a ring and I a finitely generated ideal of A . Assume that A is I -adically complete, and consider the formal scheme $\mathcal{X} = \text{Spf } A$.

- (i) Let $Y = \text{Spa}(B, B^+)$ be an affinoid adic space with complete Huber pair (B, B^+) . Prove that morphisms of locally topologically ringed spaces $(Y, \mathcal{O}_Y^+) \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ are in bijection with continuous ring homomorphisms $A \rightarrow B^+$.
Hint: the map $Y \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ corresponding to $\phi: A \rightarrow B^+$ is given by $v \mapsto \{a \in A \mid v(\phi(a)) < 1\}$.

- (ii) Assume that (A, A) is sheafy (this is the case if A is Noetherian), and put $t(\mathcal{X}) = \text{Spa}(A, A)$. Check that the morphism of locally topologically ringed spaces $\lambda: (t(\mathcal{X}), \mathcal{O}_{t(\mathcal{X})}^+) \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ corresponding to $\text{id}: A \rightarrow A$ satisfies the following universal property: for every adic space Y and a morphism of locally topologically ringed spaces $\mu: (Y, \mathcal{O}_Y^+) \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$, there exists a unique morphism of adic spaces $f: Y \rightarrow t(\mathcal{X})$ such that $\mu = \lambda \circ f$.

By this property, we can attach to locally Noetherian formal scheme \mathcal{X} an adic space $t(\mathcal{X})$ by gluing.

3.5 Let V be a discrete valuation ring and \mathcal{X} a locally Noetherian formal scheme over $\text{Spf } V$. We put $F = \text{Frac } V$.

- (i) Prove that $t(\text{Spf } V) = \text{Spa}(V, V)$ consists of two points s and η , where s is closed and η is open.

We write $\mathcal{X}_\eta^{\text{ad}}$ for the fiber of $t(\mathcal{X}) \rightarrow \text{Spf } V$ at η , and call it the rigid generic fiber of \mathcal{X} . The composite map $\text{sp}_{\mathcal{X}}: \mathcal{X}_\eta^{\text{ad}} \hookrightarrow t(\mathcal{X}) \xrightarrow{\lambda} \mathcal{X} = \mathcal{X}_{\text{red}}$ is called the specialization map.

(ii) Prove that $(\text{Spf } V\langle T \rangle)_\eta^{\text{ad}} = \text{Spa}(F\langle T \rangle, V\langle T \rangle)$.

(iii) Observe that $(\text{Spf } V[[T]])_\eta^{\text{ad}}$ can be regarded as an open disk.

Hint: $(\text{Spf } V[[T]])_\eta^{\text{ad}} \subset t(\text{Spf } V[[T]])$ is not a rational subset. Write it as an increasing union of rational subsets.

(iv) Let X be a scheme of finite type over V , and Y a closed subscheme of the special fiber of X . We write \mathcal{X} (resp. \mathcal{Y}) for the formal completion of X along the special fiber (resp. Y). Prove that $\mathcal{Y}_\eta^{\text{ad}}$ is isomorphic to the open adic subspace of $\mathcal{X}_\eta^{\text{ad}}$ whose underlying space is the interior of $\text{sp}_{\mathcal{X}}^{-1}(Y)$ in $\mathcal{X}_\eta^{\text{ad}}$.

When $V = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p}$, I do not know whether $t(\mathcal{X})$ can be defined or not. Nevertheless, for a formal scheme \mathcal{X} locally formally of finite type over $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p}$, one can define its rigid generic fiber $\mathcal{X}_\eta^{\text{ad}}$, which is an adic space locally of finite type over $\text{Spa}(\mathbb{C}_p, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}_p})$.

3.6 Let k be a non-archimedean field. We put $A = k\langle T \rangle$, and let A' be the integral closure of $k^\circ[A^\circ]$ in A (recall that A° denotes the set of topologically nilpotent elements in A).

(i) Show that A' equals $\{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n T^n \in k^\circ\langle T \rangle \mid a_n \in k^\circ (n \geq 1)\}$.

(ii) Observe that $\text{Spa}(A, A')$ is partially proper over $\text{Spa}(k, k^\circ)$, and contains $\mathbb{D}^1 = \text{Spa}(A, A^\circ)$ as an open subset.

(iii) Prove that $\overline{\mathbb{D}^1} = \text{Spa}(A, A')$ is the universal compactification of \mathbb{D}^1 in the following sense: for every partially proper adic space Y over $\text{Spa}(k, k^\circ)$, a k -morphism $f: \mathbb{D}^1 \rightarrow Y$ extends uniquely to $\overline{f}: \overline{\mathbb{D}^1} \rightarrow Y$.

(iv) Check that $\mathbb{A}^{1, \text{ad}}$ is partially proper over $\text{Spa}(k, k^\circ)$. Determine the image of the induced map $\overline{f}: \overline{\mathbb{D}^1} \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^{1, \text{ad}}$.

(v) Consider the questions (ii), (iii) for more general topologically finitely generated k -algebras.

3.7 Let (A, A^+) is a Tate Huber pair such that A is uniform (i.e., A° is bounded). We put $X = \text{Spa}(A, A^+)$. Let $t \in A$, and consider rational subsets $U = \{v \in X \mid v(t) \leq 1\}$ and $V = \{v \in X \mid v(t) \geq 1\}$. We want to prove the exactness of $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(U) \oplus \mathcal{O}_X(V) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(U \cap V) \rightarrow 0$.

Take a ring of definition A_0 of A and a topologically nilpotent unit ϖ of A belonging to A_0 . We put $B_0 = A_0[t]$ and write B for the ring A with the topology induced from the ϖ -adic topology on B_0 . We put $C = A[1/t]$, $C_0 = A_0[1/t]$ and equip C with the topology induced from the ϖ -adic topology on C_0 . Finally, we put $D = A[1/t]$, $D_0 = A_0[t, 1/t]$ and equip D with the topology induced from the ϖ -adic topology on D_0 . Note that we have $\widehat{A} = \mathcal{O}_X(X)$, $\widehat{B} = \mathcal{O}_X(U)$, $\widehat{C} = \mathcal{O}_X(V)$, and $\widehat{D} = \mathcal{O}_X(U \cap V)$.

(i) We write $\phi: A \rightarrow A[1/t]$ for the natural map. Prove that $B_0 \cap \phi^{-1}(C_0) \subset A^\circ$. (In this step we do not need to assume that A is uniform.)

Hint: for $a \in B_0 \cap \phi^{-1}(C_0)$, find $f(T), g(T) \in A_0[T]$ and $c \geq \deg g$ such that $a = f(t)$ and $t^c a = g(t)$. Let $d = \deg f + c$, and $n \geq 0$ be an integer such that $\varpi^n t \in A_0$. Prove that $\varpi^{nd} t^i a^m \in A_0$ for every $m \geq 0$ and $0 \leq i \leq d$ by the induction on m .

- (ii) By (i), there exists an integer $n \geq 0$ such that $\varpi^n(B_0 \cap \phi^{-1}(C_0)) \subset A_0$. By using this fact, prove that the exact sequence $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \oplus C \rightarrow D \rightarrow 0$ remains exact after completion. This means that the sequence $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(U) \oplus \mathcal{O}_X(V) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(U \cap V) \rightarrow 0$ is exact.

3.8 Let (A, A^+) be a stably uniform Tate Huber pair. Put $X = \text{Spa}(A, A^+)$.

- (i) Let $t_1, \dots, t_n \in A$. For a subset $I \subset \{1, \dots, n\}$, we put $U_I = \{v \in X \mid v(t_i) \leq 1 \ (i \in I), v(t_i) \geq 1 \ (i \notin I)\}$. They form an open covering $\{U_I\}_{I \subset \{1, \dots, n\}}$ (such an open covering is called a Laurent covering). Prove that \mathcal{O}_X satisfies the sheaf condition with respect to this covering.

Hint: use 3.7.

- (ii) Let $a_1, \dots, a_n \in A$ with $a_1 A + \dots + a_n A = A$. For $1 \leq i \leq n$, we put $U_i = \{v \in X \mid v(a_i) \leq v(a_j) \neq 0 \ (1 \leq j \leq n)\}$. They form an open covering $\{U_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ (such an open covering is called a rational covering). Assume moreover that $a_1, \dots, a_n \in A^\times$. Prove that there exists a Laurent covering refining $\{U_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq n}$, and deduce from this fact that \mathcal{O}_X satisfies the sheaf condition with respect to $\{U_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq n}$.
- (iii) Let $\{U_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ be as in (ii), but we do not assume that a_1, \dots, a_n are units. Prove that there exists a Laurent covering $\mathcal{V} = \{V_J\}$ such that $\{U_i \cap V_J\}_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ is a rational covering of V_J of the type considered in (ii) for every J .
- (iv) Prove that every open covering of X can be refined by a rational covering.
- (v) Conclude that \mathcal{O}_X is a sheaf.

3.9 Let k be a non-archimedean field, and $\varpi \in k$ a topologically nilpotent unit. We put $A = k[T, T^{-1}, Z]/(Z^2)$. Let A_0 be the k° -submodule of A generated by $\varpi^n T^{\pm n}$, $\varpi^{-n} T^{\pm n} Z$ with $n \geq 0$.

- (i) Check that A_0 is a k° -subalgebra of A and $A = A_0[1/\varpi]$.
- (ii) We equip A with the topology such that $\{\varpi^n A_0\}_{n \geq 0}$ is a fundamental system of open neighborhoods of 0, and consider $X = \text{Spa}(A, A^\circ)$. Let $U = \{v \in X \mid v(T) \leq 1\}$ and $V = \{v \in X \mid v(T) \geq 1\}$, which are rational subsets of X . Prove that $Z \in \mathcal{O}_X(X)$ is non-zero, and the image of Z under the restriction map $\mathcal{O}_X(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(U) \oplus \mathcal{O}_X(V)$ is zero. This means that the presheaf \mathcal{O}_X on X is not a sheaf.

Hint: consider the intersection of kZ with A_0 , $A_0[T]$ and $A_0[T^{-1}]$.

This problem is taken from [BV16, Proposition 12].

3.10 Let k and ϖ be as in 3.9. Let A_0 be a k° -submodule of $k[T, T^{-1}, Z]$ generated by $(\varpi T)^a (\varpi Z)^b$ with $b \geq 0$ and $a \geq -b^2$.

- (i) Check that A_0 is a k° -subalgebra of $k[T, T^{-1}, Z]$.

(ii) We put $A = A_0[1/\varpi]$ and consider the topology on it such that $\{\varpi^n A_0\}_{n \geq 0}$ is a fundamental system of open neighborhoods of 0. Prove that the natural \mathbb{Z}^2 -grading on $k[T, T^{-1}, Z]$ induces that on A° .

Hint: the crucial point is that the ring of definition A_0 is also graded.

(iii) By using (ii), show that $A^\circ = A_0$, hence A is uniform.

(iv) For a rational subset $U = \{v \in \text{Spa}(A, A^\circ) \mid v(T) \leq 1\}$, prove that $\mathcal{O}(U)$ is not uniform. This means that (A, A°) is not stably uniform.

Hint: observe that $\varpi^{-1}Z \notin A_0[T]$ and $(\varpi^{-n}Z)^{n+1} \in A_0[T]$ for every $n \geq 1$.

This problem is taken from [BV16, Proposition 17]. By slight modification, one can also give a uniform Tate ring A such that $\text{Spa}(A, A^\circ)$ is not sheafy. See [BV16, Proposition 18].

4 Perfectoid spaces

4.1 Let F be a non-archimedean local field. We fix a uniformizer ϖ of F . Let \mathbb{X} be the Lubin-Tate formal group (= 1-dimensional formal \mathcal{O}_F -module of height 1) over \mathcal{O}_F such that $[\varpi]_{\mathbb{X}}(T) = \varpi T + T^q$, where q is the cardinality of the residue field of F . We write F_m for the extension field of F obtained by adjoining all roots of $[\varpi^m]_{\mathbb{X}}(T) = 0$. Let \widehat{F}_∞ be the completion of $\varinjlim_m F_m$. Prove that \widehat{F}_∞ is a perfectoid field.

4.2 Let K be a perfectoid field. Prove that if K^b is algebraically closed, so is K .

Hint: take an irreducible polynomial $P(T) = T^d + a_{d-1}T^{d-1} + \cdots + a_0 \in K^\circ[T]$. By changing the variable, we may assume that a_0 is a unit (why?). Take $Q(T) = T^d + b_{d-1}T^{d-1} + \cdots + b_0 \in K^{b^\circ}[T]$ such that the image of $Q(T)$ in $(K^{b^\circ}/\varpi^b)[T]$ is equal to that of $P(T)$ in $(K^\circ/\varpi)[T]$. Pick a root y of $Q(T)$ and approximate a root of $P(T)$ by y^\sharp .

4.3 Let A be a uniform complete Tate ring, and p a prime number.

(i) For a topologically nilpotent unit ϖ of A such that $p \in \varpi^p A^\circ$, prove that the p th power map $\Phi: A^\circ/\varpi A^\circ \rightarrow A^\circ/\varpi^p A^\circ$ is injective.

(ii) Show that the condition that $\Phi: A^\circ/\varpi A^\circ \rightarrow A^\circ/\varpi^p A^\circ$ is surjective is independent of the choice of a topologically nilpotent unit $\varpi \in A$ with $p \in \varpi^p A^\circ$.

4.4 Let R be a perfect \mathbb{F}_p -algebra, and $W(R)$ the ring of Witt vectors with coefficients in R . Let S be a p -adically complete ring. Let $t: R \rightarrow S$ be a multiplicative map such that the composite $R \xrightarrow{t} S \rightarrow S/pS$ is a ring homomorphism. Prove that the map $T: W(R) \rightarrow S$ defined by

$$T\left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p^n [a_n]\right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p^n t(a_n) \quad (a_n \in R)$$

becomes a ring homomorphism. Check also that T is surjective if the composite $R \xrightarrow{t} S \rightarrow S/pS$ is.

4.5 Let R be a perfectoid \mathbb{F}_p -algebra, and $\xi = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p^n [a_n]$ ($a_n \in R^\circ$) be an element of $W(R^\circ)$. We say that ξ is primitive of degree 1 if a_0 is topologically nilpotent and a_1 is a unit of R° .

- (i) Prove that a primitive element of degree 1 is a non-zero-divisor.
- (ii) Prove that $\xi \in W(R^\circ)$ is primitive of degree 1 if and only if there exist $u \in W(R^\circ)^\times$, $\alpha \in W(R^\circ)$ and a topologically nilpotent unit $\varpi \in R^\circ$ such that $u\xi = p + \alpha[\varpi]$.
Hint: note that $(\xi - [a_0])/p$ is a unit of $W(R^\circ)$.

4.6 Let A be a perfectoid ring.

- (i) Use 4.4 to construct a surjective ring homomorphism $\theta: W(A^{b^\circ}) \rightarrow A^\circ$.
- (ii) Check that $\theta([x]) = x^\#$ for $x \in A^{b^\circ}$.
- (iii) Take topologically nilpotent units $\varpi \in A$ and $\varpi^b \in A^b$ such that $p \in \varpi^p A^\circ$ and $(\varpi^b)^\# = \varpi$. Pick $\alpha \in W(A^{b^\circ})$ such that $\theta(\alpha) = p/\varpi$ and put $\xi = p - \alpha[\varpi^b]$. Prove that ξ generates $\text{Ker } \theta$.

4.7 (i) Let K be the completion of $\mathbb{Q}_p(\mu_{p^\infty})$, which is a perfectoid field of characteristic 0. Prove that K^b is isomorphic to the completion of $\mathbb{F}_p((T^{p^{-\infty}}))$. Find a generator of $\text{Ker } \theta$ (see 4.6) in this case.

- (ii) Answer the same question for the completion of $\mathbb{Q}_p(p^{p^{-\infty}})$.

4.8 Let $\{X_i\}$ be a filtered projective system of adic spaces whose transition maps are quasi-compact and quasi-separated. For a perfectoid space X , we write $X \sim \varprojlim_i X_i$ if the following conditions are satisfied:

- A compatible family of morphisms $\phi_i: X \rightarrow X_i$ is given and the induced map $|X| \rightarrow \varprojlim_i |X_i|$ on the underlying spaces is a homeomorphism.
- For each $x \in X$, there exists an affinoid open neighborhood U of x such that the image of $\varinjlim_{(i, U_i \subset X_i)} \mathcal{O}_{X_i}(U_i) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(U)$ is dense. Here U_i runs through affinoid open subsets of X_i which contain $\phi_i(U)$.

- (i) For a perfectoid Huber pair (B, B^+) , show that the map

$$\text{Hom}(\text{Spa}(B, B^+), X) \rightarrow \varprojlim_i \text{Hom}(\text{Spa}(B, B^+), X_i)$$

is bijective. Conclude that a perfectoid space X satisfying $X \sim \varprojlim_i X_i$ is unique up to isomorphism.

- (ii) Let K be a perfectoid field of residue characteristic p . Let us consider the projective system $(\dots \xrightarrow{\phi^{\text{ad}}} \mathbb{A}^{n, \text{ad}} \xrightarrow{\phi^{\text{ad}}} \dots \xrightarrow{\phi^{\text{ad}}} \mathbb{A}^{n, \text{ad}})$, where $\phi: \mathbb{A}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^n$ is given by $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto (x_1^p, \dots, x_n^p)$. Check that there exists a perfectoid space X over K such that $X \sim \varprojlim_{\phi^{\text{ad}}} \mathbb{A}^{n, \text{ad}}$.

4.9 Let $X = \text{Spa}(A, A^+)$ be an affinoid perfectoid space, and Z a closed subset of X defined by $f_1 = \dots = f_n = 0$ for $f_1, \dots, f_n \in A$.

- (i) Fix a topologically nilpotent unit $\varpi \in A$. For $m \geq 0$, let U_m be the open neighborhood of Z defined by $\{v \in X \mid v(f_i) \leq v(\varpi^m)\}$. Prove that there exists a perfectoid space \tilde{Z} such that $\tilde{Z} \sim \varprojlim_m U_m$.
- (ii) Let Y be a perfectoid space and $\phi: Y \rightarrow X$ a morphism whose set-theoretic image is contained in Z . Prove that ϕ uniquely factors through $Y \rightarrow \tilde{Z}$. In particular, \tilde{Z} is independent of the choice of f_1, \dots, f_n and ϖ .

4.10 Let K be a perfectoid field of characteristic 0, and p the residue characteristic of K .

- (i) Let A be a complete Tate K -algebra satisfying the following conditions:
 - (a) Every element of $1 + A^\circ$ has a p th root in A .
 - (b) A is uniform.

Prove that A is a perfectoid K -algebra.

Hint: first observe that a p th root of $a \in 1 + A^\circ$ can be taken from $1 + A^\circ$.

- (ii) Let A be a Tate K -algebra satisfying the condition (a) in (i). Take a topologically nilpotent unit ϖ of K and equip A with the new topology such that $\{\varpi^m A^\circ\}$ is a fundamental system of open neighborhoods of 0. Let \hat{A} denote the completion of A with respect to this topology. Prove that \hat{A} satisfies the conditions (a), (b) in (i), hence is a perfectoid K -algebra.
- (iii) Let $X = \text{Spa}(B, B^\circ)$ be an affinoid adic space of finite type over $\text{Spa}(K, K^\circ)$. Prove that there exist a filtered projective system $\{X_i\}$ of finite étale covers of X and a perfectoid space X_∞ over K such that $X_\infty \sim \varprojlim_i X_i$.

This problem is taken from [Col02, §2.8] and [Sch13, Proposition 4.8].

4.11 Let K be a perfectoid field of characteristic 0, and G a finite group acting on K . Let us prove that K^G is a perfectoid field. Note that the surjection $\theta: W(K^{b\circ}) \rightarrow K^\circ$ in 4.6 is G -equivariant.

- (i) Prove that for every integer $m \geq 0$ there exists a topologically nilpotent unit ϖ in K^G such that $p \in \varpi^{p^{m+1}} K^\circ$.
Hint: find ϖ of the form $\theta([u])$ with $u \in K^{b\circ}$.
- (ii) Assume first that $|G| = p^m$. Take ϖ as in (i). For $x \in K^{G^\circ}$, pick $y \in K^{b\circ}$ such that $\theta([y]) \equiv x \pmod{pK^\circ}$ and put $z = \prod_{g \in G} g(y)^{1/p^{m+1}}$. Check that $\theta([z]) \in K^{G^\circ}$ and $x \equiv \theta([z])^p \pmod{\varpi^p K^{G^\circ}}$. This shows that K^G is a perfectoid field.
Hint: use 4.3.

- (iii) Prove that K^G is a perfectoid field for general G .
- (iv) Repeat the argument above to prove the following claim: for a perfectoid K -algebra A and a finite group G acting on A , A^G is a perfectoid K^G -algebra.

This problem is taken from [KL16, Theorem 3.3.25].

4.12 Let K be a perfectoid field of characteristic $p > 0$. Modify 3.9 to construct a Huber K -algebra A satisfying the following condition: $X = \text{Spa}(A, A^\circ)$ is covered by affinoid perfectoid spaces, but \mathcal{O}_X is not a sheaf.

This problem is taken from [BV16, Proposition 13].

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