

Algebra

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Recy's If R integral ~~close~~ ^{domain}, then integral close of R is intersection of valuation rings

$R \subseteq T$ integral extension

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Spec } T & \xrightarrow{\text{res}} & \text{Spec } R \\ \varphi & \longmapsto & R \cap Q \end{array}$$

Our aim is to understand the behaviour of chains in $\text{Spec } T$ under this restriction

(3.11) Lemma: If $R \subseteq T \subseteq T'$ with T integral over R , and T' integral over T , then T' is integral over R .

Proj: Exercise.

(3.12) Lemma: Let $R \subseteq T$ with T integral over R .

(i) If J is an ideal of T then T/J is integral over $R/J \cap R$.

(identify $R/J \cap R$ with $R+J/J \subseteq T/J$)

(ii) If S is a multiplicatively subset of R , then $S^{-1}T$ is integral over $S^{-1}R$.

(well-behaved under taking quotients, and localizations)

Proof: (i) If $x \in T$ then $x^n + r_{n-1}x^{n-1} + \dots + r_0 = 0$ for some $r_i \in R$ ⊗

modulo J $\bar{x}^n + \bar{r}_{n-1}\bar{x}^{n-1} + \dots + \bar{r}_0 = \bar{0}$.

So \bar{x} satisfies a monic equation.

(ii) Suppose $\frac{x}{s} \in S^{-1}T$, then $\textcircled{4}$ implies

$$\left(\frac{x}{s}\right)^n + \frac{r_{n-1}}{s} \left(\frac{x}{s}\right)^{n-1} + \dots + \frac{r_0}{s^n} = 0$$

So $\frac{x}{s}$ satisfies monic expression

(3.13) Lemma: Suppose R & T are integral domains with T integral over R . Then T is a field if and only if R is a field.

Proof: Suppose R is a field.

Take $t \in T$, $t \neq 0$. Choose $t^n + r_{n-1}t^{n-1} + \dots + r_0 = 0$, with $r_i \in R$, of minimal degree.

T is an integral domain and so $r_0 \neq 0$.

So t has inverse $-r_0^{-1}(t^{n-1} + r_{n-1}t^{n-2} + \dots + r_1) \in T$.

So T is a field.

Conversely, suppose T is a field. Let $x \neq 0$, $x \in R$.

Then it has an inverse $x^{-1} \in T$.

So must show $x^{-1} \in R$. So x^{-1} satisfies a

monic equation $x^{-m} + r'_{m-1}x^{-m+1} + \dots + r'_0 = 0$ for some $r'_i \in R$.

Multiply by x^{m-1} and rearranging:

$$x^{-1} = - (r'_{m-1} + r'_{m-2}x + \dots + r'_0 x^{m-1}) \in R.$$

Thus, R is a field.

(3.14) Corollary: Let $R \subseteq T$, T integral over R .
 Let $Q \in \text{Spec } T$ with $P = Q \cap R$.
 Then Q is maximal if and only if P is maximal.

Proof: T/Q is integral over R/P by (3.12).
 T/Q is a field if and only if R/P is a field.

(This maximal ideals match up)

(3.15) Incomparability Theorem:

Let $R \subseteq T$ be rings with T integral over R .
 Let $Q \in Q_1$ be prime ideals of T .

Suppose $Q \cap R = Q_1 \cap R = P$. Then $Q = Q_1$.
 Hence, a strict chain in $\text{Spec } T$ maps to a
 strict chain in $\text{Spec } R$ under the restriction
 map. So $\dim R \geq \dim T$.

Proof: Apply (3.12) (ii) with a particular localisation:
 $S = R \setminus P$

We have T_P is integral over R_P where we're
 working T_P for $S^{-1}T$.

We have the unique maximal ideal $P_P = S^{-1}P$
 in R_P . Also, there are $S^{-1}Q$ and $S^{-1}Q_1$
 in $T_P (= S^{-1}T)$ which are prime
 and $S^{-1}Q \cap S^{-1}R = S^{-1}P = P_P$
 $S^{-1}Q_1 \cap S^{-1}R = S^{-1}P = P_P$.

(since $S^{-1}Q \cap S^{-1}R \supseteq S^{-1}P$ and $S^{-1}P$ is maximal)
 proper ideal
 and similarly for Q_1

By (3.14) $S^{-1}Q$ and $S^{-1}Q_1$ are maximal since $S^{-1}P$ is maximal. But $S^{-1}Q \subseteq S^{-1}Q_1$ and $S^{-1}Q = S^{-1}Q_1$.

But 1-1 correspondence of primes under localization forces $Q = Q_1$.

(3.16) (Lying Over Theorem)

Let $R \subset T$ be rings with T integral over R . Take $P \in \text{Spec } R$.

Then there exists $Q \in \text{Spec } T$ with $Q \cap R = P$ " Q lies over P ".

In other words, the restriction map $\text{Spec } T \rightarrow \text{Spec } R$ is surjective. (cvt)

Proof: By (3.12) T_P is integral over R_P (writing $S^{-1}T = T_P$ where $S = R \setminus P$)
Take a maximal ideal of T_P .

H is of form $S^{-1}Q$ for some $Q \in \text{Spec } T$
(correspondence of primes under localization)

Then $S^{-1}Q \cap S^{-1}R$ is maximal by (3.14).

But $R_P (= S^{-1}R)$ has a unique maximal ideal P_P and so $S^{-1}Q \cap S^{-1}R = S^{-1}P$

Hence $Q \cap R = P$. □

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We next have two theorems due to Cohen and Seidenberg (1946) that explain how to relate chains of primes in $\text{Spec } R$ and $\text{Spec } T$.

(3.17) Going Up Theorem

Let $R \subseteq T$ with T integral over R
Let $P_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq P_n$ with $P_i \in \text{Spec } R$.
and $Q_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq Q_m$ with $m < n$ (shorter chain)
and $Q_i \cap R = P_i$ for $i \leq m$.

Then we can extend the chain of Q 's to give:

$Q_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq Q_n$ with $Q_i \in \text{Spec } T$ and $Q_i \cap R = P_i$
for $1 \leq i \leq n$.



(Cohen, Serre's main contribution was this one:)

(3.18) Going Down Theorem

Let $R \subseteq T$ be integral domains, R integrally closed.
 T integral over R . Let $P_1 \supseteq \dots \supseteq P_n$ be
a chain in $\text{Spec } R$, $Q_1 \supseteq \dots \supseteq Q_m$ with
 $m < n$ be a chain in $\text{Spec } T$ with
 $Q_i \cap R = P_i$ for $i \leq m$.

Then we can extend the chain of Q 's to give:

$Q_1 \supseteq \dots \supseteq Q_n$ with $Q_i \cap R = P_i$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$
 $Q_i \in \text{Spec } T$.

(going down much harder than going up).

(3.19) Corollary of Going Up

Let $R \subseteq T$ with T integral over R
Then $\dim R = \dim T$.

Proof: Take a chain $Q_0 \subsetneq Q_1 \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq Q_n$ of T

By incomparability of (3.15).

$P_0 \subsetneq P_1 \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq P_n$ where $P_i = Q_i \cap R$.

Thus $\dim R \geq \dim T$.

Conversely if $P_0 \subsetneq P_1 \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq P_n$ is a chain in $\text{Spec } R$. Then there is a prime Q_0 of T with $Q_0 \cap R = P_0$ (Lying Over).

Then Going Up gives chain $Q_0 \subsetneq Q_1 \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq Q_n$ in $\text{Spec } T$.
with $Q_i \cap R = P_i$.

So $\dim T \geq \dim R$. Thus we have equality. \square

[Will prove Going Up / Going Down next time.]