

MAT4210—Algebraic geometry I: Mandatory assignment.

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PROBLEM 0.1

- a) Let a and b be two natural numbers and define an ideal in $k[x, y]$ by $\mathfrak{a} = (x^b y, y^a x)$. Determine a primary decomposition of \mathfrak{a} .
- b) Determine the set $Z_+(\mathfrak{a})$ in \mathbb{P}^1 . ★

PROBLEM 0.2

- a) Let $X \subseteq \mathbb{P}^3$ be the surface $X = Z_+(xw - yz)$. Show that X is irreducible.
- b) For any elements α and β in the ground field k not both zero, let $L_{\alpha, \beta} = Z_+(\alpha x + \beta z, \alpha y + \beta w)$ and $M_{\alpha, \beta} = Z_+(\alpha x + \beta y, \alpha z + \beta w)$. Show that for all α and β the varieties $L_{\alpha, \beta}$ and $M_{\alpha, \beta}$ are lines in \mathbb{P}^3 lying on the surface X .
- c) Show that $L_{\alpha, \beta} \cap L_{\alpha', \beta'} = \emptyset$ whenever $(\alpha; \beta) \neq (\alpha'; \beta')$ (as points in \mathbb{P}^1). Show that $L_{\alpha, \beta}$ and $M_{\alpha', \beta'}$ meet in one point. ★