

**MATH 8254: ALGEBRAIC GEOMETRY**  
**PROBLEM SET 4, DUE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2008**

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**Problem 1.** Using the same method as we used in class, prove directly, without reduction to  $m = 0$ , that for any integer  $m$ ,  $H^p(X, \mathcal{O}_X(m)) = 0$  for  $0 < p < n$ , where  $X = \mathbb{P}_R^n$  is the projective space over a Noetherian ring  $R$ . [The method we used in class was presenting an arbitrary Čech  $p$ -cocycle

$$\left( \frac{f_{i_0 i_1 \dots i_p}}{(x_{i_0} x_{i_1} \dots x_{i_p})^r} \right), \quad i_0 < i_1 < \dots < i_p, \quad f_{i_0 i_1 \dots i_p} \in S_{(r(p+1))},$$

in  $C^p(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{O}_X)$  explicitly as a Čech coboundary. If you do not have notes to remind you how it works, ask your classmates for notes or talk to me.]

**Problem 2.** For a closed immersion  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ , show that  $R^p f_* \mathcal{F} = 0$  for  $p > 0$ , where  $\mathcal{F}$  is a quasi-coherent sheaf on  $X$ . [Hint: For an affine open  $U \subset Y$ , note that  $H^p(f^{-1}(U), \mathcal{F}) = 0$  for  $p > 0$ .]

**Problem 3.** Let  $\{U_i \mid i \in I\}$  and  $\{V_j \mid j \in J\}$  be open coverings of a scheme  $X$ . Find a necessary and sufficient condition for  $\{(f_i, U_i)\}$ ,  $f_i \in \Gamma(U_i, \mathcal{K}^*)$ , and  $\{(g_j, V_j)\}$ ,  $g_j \in \Gamma(V_j, \mathcal{K}^*)$ , to determine the same element in  $H^0(X, \mathcal{K}^*/\mathcal{O}^*)$ . [Hint: Give an answer in terms of a refinement of the two coverings.]

**Problem 4.** When a Cartier divisor  $\mathcal{D} = \{(f_i, U_i) \mid i \in I\}$  over an integral scheme  $X$  can be chosen as  $f_i \in \Gamma(U_i, \mathcal{O})$ ,  $\mathcal{D}$  is said to be an *effective* Cartier divisor, and we write  $\mathcal{D} \geq 0$ . In Proposition III.6.11, show that there is a bijection between effective Weil divisors and effective Cartier divisors.

**Problem 5.** For a separated Noetherian integral scheme  $X$  regular in codimension one and a Weil divisor  $D$  on it, let

$$\mathbb{L}(D) := \{f \in k(X) \mid f = 0 \text{ or } (f) + D \geq 0\}.$$

Show that  $\mathbb{L}(D)$  is an additive group and  $\mathbb{L}(D) \cong \mathbb{L}(E)$  for  $D \sim E$ .