

Semi-infinite algebraic geometry

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The standard example of a semi-infinite algebraic variety is the underlying affine algebraic variety Y of the vector space of Laurent formal power series $\mathbb{k}((t))$. Let us write $f(t) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} y_n t^n$ for a generic element $f(t) \in \mathbb{k}((t))$. Then y_n , $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ is a global coordinate system on Y , indexed by the set $S = \mathbb{Z}$ with the standard semi-infinite structure. The condition above is satisfied: for every $f \in \mathbb{k}((t))$, the set of all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $y_n \neq 0$ is at most semi-infinite, i. e., it is contained in the union of $S^+ = \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ with a finite set of negative integers.

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