

Combinatorial rings in mixed characteristic

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Abstract

In this talk, I will introduce a framework for defining new classes of rings analogous to various well-studied combinatorial algebras over a field. Given a discrete valuation ring (V, t) , the polynomial ring $V[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ is \mathbb{Z}^n -graded by multidegree in the variables, and up to multiplication by a unit the homogeneous elements are of the form $t^{m_0} x_1^{m_1} \dots x_n^{m_n}$. I call these elements ***t*-monomials**.

I will define *t*-Stanley-Reisner rings, *t*-semigroup rings, and *t*-toric face rings by replacing monomials with *t*-monomials in the definitions of Stanley-Reisner rings, semigroup rings, and toric face rings, respectively. I will also outline a few classical results which I have adapted to these new rings by exploiting the evaluation map $x_0 \mapsto t$, which induces an algebraically well-behaved bijection between *t*-monomials and monomials in one extra variable. These are techniques which I believe are particularly relevant for studying questions which are known in equicharacteristic but still open in mixed characteristic.

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