

map of ringed spaces $\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}(x) \rightarrow \text{Spec } \mathbb{k}[x]_{(x)}$ sending the point of $\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}(x)$ to $[(x)]$, and the pullback map $f^* \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}(x)} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}[x]_{(x)}}$ is induced by $\mathbb{k}[x]_{(x)} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{k}(x)$. Show that this map of ringed spaces is not of the form described in Exercise 4.7.4.

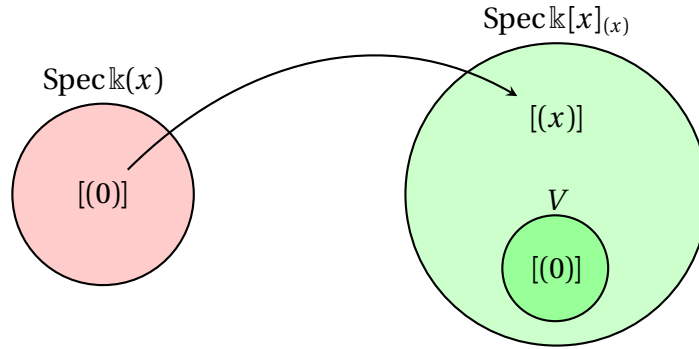


Figure 4.12: Exercise 4.15.2

PROOF. $\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}(x)$ is one-point space while $\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}[x]_{(x)}$ has two points. Their open subsets has been depicted in Figure 4.12 as circles. Let (f, f^*) be a morphism such that $[(0)] \mapsto [(x)]$. Then f^* must be a morphism $\mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}(x)} \rightarrow f_* \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}[x]_{(x)}}$. We define

$$f^*(\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}[x]_{(x)}): \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}[x]_{(x)}}(\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}[x]_{(x)}) \rightarrow f_* \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}(x)}(\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}[x]_{(x)})$$

to be

$$\mathbb{k}[x]_{(x)} \rightarrow \mathbb{k}(x);$$

and define

$$f^*(V): \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}[x]_{(x)}}(V) \rightarrow f_* \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}(x)}(V) = \{0\}$$

and

$$f^*(\emptyset): \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}[x]_{(x)}}(\emptyset) \rightarrow f_* \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{k}(x)}(\emptyset) = \{0\}$$

to be zero morphisms. f^* is clearly a morphism and (f, f^*) is a morphism of ringed spaces. If (f, f^*) is a morphism of the form described in Exercise 4.7.4, then f^* must be deduced from $\mathbb{k}[x]_{(x)} \rightarrow \mathbb{k}(x)$. Therefore $[(0)]$ must be mapped to $[(0)]$, a contradiction. ■