

Algebraic Geometry in Lean's mathematical library mathlib

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Proof. Assume X is Nagata. Let $Z \subset X$ be an integral closed subscheme. Let $z \in Z$. Let $\text{Spec}(A) = U \subset X$ be an affine open containing z such that A is Nagata.

Figure: Stacks Project

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The assertion is local, so it follows from the fact that the composition of smooth morphisms of affine schemes is smooth. □

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