

top and bottom by powers of  $X_0$ , we may write the function  $\varphi$  as

$$\varphi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \frac{f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)}{g(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)}$$

where  $f$  and  $g$  are polynomials (not necessarily both of degree  $d$ ) in the Euclidean coordinates  $x_i$ .

$$\mathbb{F} \quad \frac{x_i}{x_0} = x_i$$

Example.  $F(X_0, X_1) = X_0^2 X_1^2$ ,  $G(X_0, X_1) = X_0^4 + X_1^4$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_1) = \left(\frac{x_1}{x_0}\right)^2 = x_1^2 \quad g(x_1) = 1 + \left(\frac{x_1}{x_0}\right)^4 = 1 + x_1^4 \quad \Downarrow$$

Thus the field  $K(\mathbb{P}^n)$  of rational functions on  $\mathbb{P}^n$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{C}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ .

$\mathbb{F}$  For the def. of  $\mathbb{C}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ , see P231 ~ P232 Hungerford.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \varphi(X) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \varphi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ \cap & & \cap \\ K(\mathbb{P}^n) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathbb{C}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \end{array}$$

See P166.  $\Downarrow$

It is not hard to see that any meromorphic function on  $\mathbb{P}^n$  is rational. By Chow's theorem, both the zero-divisor  $(\varphi)_0$  and polar divisor