

# DERIVED CATEGORIES

Refs: Weibel ch. 9

· Gelfand-Manin

· Hahn, Jørgensen, Rouquier

· "Triangulated Categories"

$\mathcal{C}$  ab. cat.  $Ch(\mathcal{C})$  cochain complexes

Def  $K(\mathcal{C})$  - cat w. same objs as  $Ch(\mathcal{C})$ , morphisms = homotopy classes of cochain maps.

This is a well-def. additive cat (try check) with a canonical additive functor  $Ch(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow K(\mathcal{C})$ .

Similarly  $K_+(\mathcal{C})$  (bounded below complexes)

$K_-(\mathcal{C})$  (bounded above)

$K_b(\mathcal{C})$  (bounded)

$K_0 =$  one of  $K, K_+, K_-, K_b$ .

Cohomology functors  $H^i: Ch_0(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  factor thru  $K_0(\mathcal{C})$ .

For any additive  $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  we get a functor  $F: K(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow K_0(\mathcal{D})$ .

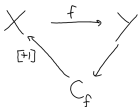
Fact If  $X \in Ob(\mathcal{C})$  has any injective res<sup>s</sup>, then it's unique up to unique isomorphism as an obj of  $K_+(\mathcal{C})$ .  
Sim. proj res<sup>s</sup> unique in  $K_-(\mathcal{C})$ .

Problem The  $K_0(\mathcal{C})$  are not abelian (except in trivial cases). (cf H-J-R) - some morphisms have no kernels.

Substitute for kernels + cokernels: mapping cones.

$f: X \rightarrow Y$  cochain map

$C_f$  cone of  $f$ .



Composite of any 2 morphisms is 0 in  $K_0(\mathcal{C})$

Long exact seq  $H^i(X) \xrightarrow{f} H^i(Y) \rightarrow H^i(C_f) \rightarrow H^{i+1}(X) \rightarrow \dots$

Def "A triangulated cat is an additive cat with shift operator  $[m], m \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and a class of distinguished triangles

$X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z \rightarrow X[1]$  satisfying some axioms.

Axioms are chosen so that the  $K_2(\mathcal{C})$  are triangulated, with the obvious shift operators + distinguished triangles being anything isomorphic to a mapping cone triangle.

Triangulated functor  $\mathcal{T}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_2$   
 = additive functor commuting w. shifts  
 + sending dist. tri.s to dist. tri.s.

Cohomological functor  $F: \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$   
 (tri) (ab)  
 is an additive functor of  $\forall$  dist. tri.s  
 we get a long exact seq

$$\begin{aligned} \dots &\rightarrow F(X) \rightarrow F(Y) \rightarrow F(Z) \\ &\rightarrow F(X[1]) \rightarrow \dots \end{aligned}$$

Eg: cohomology  $F(X) = H^0(X)$   
 $F(X[n]) = H^n(X)$   
 for  $\mathcal{T} = K_2(\mathcal{C})$ .

for any  $\mathcal{T}$ , any  $A \in \text{Ob}(\mathcal{T})$

$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}(A, -)$  is a coho. functor  
 $\mathcal{T} \rightarrow \underline{\text{Ab}}$  (nonobvious

consequence of the axioms I didn't tell you)

(Exercise: If  $\mathcal{T} = K_2(\underline{\text{Ab}})$  then  
 $H^0(X) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{T}}([Z], X)$ .

So cohomology is a representable functor  
 on  $K_2(\underline{\text{Ab}})$ .)

## Localisation of categories

Going from  $\text{Ch}(\mathcal{C})$  to  $K(\mathcal{C})$  we made more morphisms into isomorphisms.

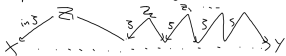
$\exists$  a notion of localisation of cats:

$\mathcal{C}$  cat,  $\mathcal{S}$  class of morphisms in  $\mathcal{C}$ ,  
 the localisation of  $\mathcal{C}$  at  $\mathcal{S}$  is a category  $\mathcal{D}$   
 with a functor  $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  st

- $F(s)$  is an isomorphism  $\forall s \in \mathcal{S}$
- if  $\mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{G} \mathcal{E}$  also makes all  $s \in \mathcal{S}$  into isomorphisms, then  $G$  factors thru  $F$ .

Thm If  $\text{Ob}(\mathcal{C})$  is a set, then all localisations of  $\mathcal{C}$  exist.

Idea of construction:  $\mathcal{D}$  has same obs as  $\mathcal{C}$ ,  
 + morphisms look like diagrams



(equiv rel<sup>n</sup>s of "zigzags" in  $\mathcal{C}$ )

— cf. H-J-R for a careful description.

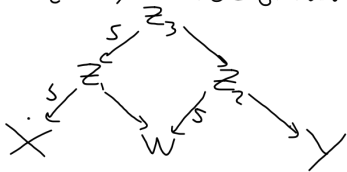
Want:  $D_2(\mathcal{C})$   $\mathcal{C}$  abelian

should be localisation of  $\text{Ch}_2(\mathcal{C})$   
at quasi-isomorphisms.

We'll use  $K_2(\mathcal{C})$  as a stepping stone.

Then we get for free that  $\text{Ch}_2(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow D_2(\mathcal{C})$   
factors thru  $K_2(\mathcal{C})$  (not obvious a priori.)

Useful Fact Any "zigzag" in  $K(\mathcal{C})$ ,  
 $S = q\text{-isos}$ , can be shrunk down to length 1.



so morphisms in  $D_2(\mathcal{C})$  are "roots"

$\triangleleft \rightarrow$  in  $K(\mathcal{C})$ .

Consequence:  $D_2(\mathcal{C})$ , if it exists (!)  
is triangulated, +  $K_2 \rightarrow D_2$  is a tri.  
functor.

Prop If  $\mathcal{C}$  has enough inj,  $D_+(\mathcal{C})$  exists + it's equivalent to subcat of  $K_+(\mathcal{C})$  consisting of complexes of injective objects of  $\mathcal{C}$ .  
 Dually if enough projs  $D_-(\mathcal{C})$  exists + is equiv to  $K_-(\text{proj obs of } \mathcal{C})$ .

Existence of CE res's shows that any obj of  $\mathcal{C}_+(\mathcal{C})$  (or  $K_+(\mathcal{C})$ ) is quasi-iso to a complex of injectives.

Tedious check: morphisms in  $D_+(\mathcal{C})$  between inj complexes are the same as in  $K_+(\mathcal{C})$ .

Upshot If  $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  additive, can define  $RF: D_+(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow D_+(\mathcal{D})$  to be the functor agreeing with  $F$  on complexes of injectives.

If  $F$  is left-exact, then  $H^i(RF): D_+(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$  hyperderived functor  $R^i(F)$ . But  $RF$  exists w/o assuming left-exactness.

We want to focus on  $RF$ , + regard the  $R^i(F)$  as "approximations"

Eg if  $G$  group,  $M$  a  $G$ -module,

$$R(G, M) = \text{obj in } D_+(\text{Ab})$$

whose cohomology gps are  $H^i(G, M)$ , but it contains more info, eg if  $H \triangleleft G$

can recover  $R(G, M)$  on the nose from

$$R(H, M) \quad \boxed{R(G/H, R(H, M)) = R(G, M)}$$

(Similar picture for total left derived functors when enough projectives.)

Some constructions in  $D_0(R\text{-Mod})$

- for  $R$  commutative, tensor product  $R\text{-Mod} \times R\text{-Mod} \rightarrow R\text{-Mod}$  extends to derived tensor product

$$D_-(R\text{-Mod}) \times D_-(R\text{-Mod}) \rightarrow D_-(R\text{-Mod})$$

$$A, B \rightarrow A \otimes^L B$$

If  $A, B$  are concentrated in deg 0, then  $H^{-i}(A \otimes^L B) = \text{Tor}_i^R(A, B)$ .

• derived Hom ( $R\text{Hom}$ )

$$D_-(R\text{-Mod})^{\text{op}} \times D_+(R\text{-Mod})$$

$$\rightarrow D_+(R\text{-Mod})$$

$$A, B \mapsto R\text{Hom}(A, B)$$

If  $A, B$   $R$ -modules in degree 0, then

$$H^i(R\text{Hom}(A, B)) = \text{Ext}_R^i(A, B)$$

•  $X$  top. space,  $\exists$  object

$C(X) \in D_-(\text{Ab})$  whose cohomology is  $H_i(X, \mathbb{Z})$ .

Similarly  $C(X)$  cohomology complex

$$C(X) = R\text{Hom}(C(X), \mathbb{Z})$$

$$C(X, A) \quad A \text{ ab. gp.} \\ = C(X) \otimes^{\mathbb{L}} A$$

• Serre / Grothendieck duality

Serre duality:  $X/k$  smooth proj. alg. variety  
 $\dim^n d$

$F$  coherent sheaf on  $X$  (eg. sections of a vector bundle  $L$ )

$H^i(X, F)$  finite-dim  $k$ .

$$H^{d-i}(X, F)^\vee = H^i(X, D(F))$$

( $d = \dim X$ ). If  $F =$  sections of  $L$  "dual sheaf"  
 $D(F) = (\text{sections of } L^\vee) \otimes \omega_X$   
line bundle.

If  $X$  not smooth this doesn't work.

Grothendieck, Verdier:  $\exists$  duality functor

on  $D_b(\text{coh. sheaves on } X)$  - only

exists in derived cat.

( $\exists$  analogues for sheaves of ab gps on locally compact spaces, or étale sheaves. - "six operations.")