

# Triangulated and Derived Categories in Algebra and Geometry

## Lecture 22

### 1. Sheaves on a single space

$X$  - top space,  $A$  - comm. ring  
 $A_X$  - modules = sheaves of abelian groups  $\mathcal{F}$  s.t.  $\forall U \subset X$   
 $\mathcal{F}(U)$  is an  $A$ -module, restriction plays well with the action

$A_X$ -mod - abelian category

$U \subset X \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{F}|_U = c^{-1}\mathcal{F}$ , where  $c: U \rightarrow X$  - open inclusion

Def Given  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in A_X$ -mod, the sheaf hom is the presheaf

$$\mathcal{H}om(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}) : U \longmapsto \text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}|_U, \mathcal{G}|_U).$$

Exc Check that  $\mathcal{H}om$  is a sheaf!

If you look at stalks, you get a map

$$\text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})_x \rightarrow \text{Hom}_A(\mathcal{F}_x, \mathcal{G}_x).$$

Warning: in general,  $\uparrow$  neither epi nor mono.

Global sections:

$$\Gamma(X, \text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})) = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}|_X, \mathcal{G}|_X) = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}).$$

Get a bi-functor

$$\text{Hom}(-, -) : A_x\text{-mod}^{\text{op}} \times A_x\text{-mod} \rightarrow A_x\text{-mod}.$$

Exc  $\text{Hom}$  is left exact in both arguments.

Tensor product

Def Given  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in A_x\text{-mod}$ , their tensor product is the sheafification of  $U \mapsto \mathcal{F}(U) \otimes_A \mathcal{G}(U)$ .

Exc  $(F \otimes_{A_x} G)_x \simeq F_x \otimes_A G_x.$

↑ will drop it in the future

Cor Since exactness of sequences in  $A_x$ -mod can be checked on stalks,  $F \otimes -$  is right exact.

For  $A$ -modules we have  $\otimes \dashv \text{Hom}.$

Ln  $\forall F, G, \mathcal{H} \in A_x$ -mod there is a functorial isomorphism

$$\text{Hom}(F \otimes G, \mathcal{H}) \simeq \text{Hom}(F, \text{Hom}(G, \mathcal{H}))$$

In  $A_x$ -mod  $\leftrightarrow$  category of sheaves!

Pf  $F \otimes G$  is the sheafification. On the right we have a sheaf  $\mathcal{H} \Rightarrow$  enough to look at the presheaf

$$U \mapsto F(U) \otimes G(U).$$

Fill in the details (look at sections on both sides).  $\square$

Passing to global sections:

$$\text{Hom}(\mathbb{F} \otimes \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{H}) \simeq \text{Hom}(\mathbb{F}, \text{Hom}(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{H}))$$

$-\otimes \mathcal{G}$  is left adjoint to  $\text{Hom}(\mathcal{G}, -)$ .

Limits & colimits

Recall that the category of presheaves is the category of functors  $\text{Op}(X)^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{A-mod}$

$\Rightarrow$  presheaves has all limits & colimits.

Ex  $\varprojlim$  of a diagram of sheaves is a sheaf.

$\varinjlim$  of a diagram of sheaves needs to be sheafified.

## 2. Functors b/w different categories

$f: X \rightarrow Y$  - cont. map

$A_X\text{-mod} \neq A_Y\text{-mod} \leftarrow$  two abelian categories

Direct image / push forward

$f_*: A_X\text{-mod} \rightarrow A_Y\text{-mod} \leftarrow$  sheaf

$F \in A_X\text{-mod} \rightsquigarrow f_* F: U \mapsto F(f^{-1}(U))$

Inverse image

$f^{-1}: A_Y\text{-mod} \rightarrow A_X\text{-mod} \leftarrow$  sheaf

$G \in A_Y\text{-mod} \rightsquigarrow f^{-1}G: U \mapsto \varinjlim_{V \supseteq f(U)} G(V)$

Rank If  $f(U)$  is open in  $Y$ ,  
then  $f^{-1}G(U) = G(f(U))$

Com  $f^{-1} \dashv f_*$ .

Pf Construct the unit & counit morphisms:

$$\text{id} \rightarrow f_* \circ f^{-1}, \quad f^{-1} \circ f_* \rightarrow \text{id}$$

E.g.  $(f^{-1} \circ f_*)F(u) = \lim_{v \supset f(u)} f_* F(v) =$   
 $= \lim_{v \supset f(u)} F(f^{-1}(v))$

If  $v \supset f(u)$ , then  $f^{-1}(v) \supset u \Rightarrow$  these are compatible res:  $F(f^{-1}(v)) \rightarrow F(u)$ .

Gives you the counit. ... □

Cor If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is cont's,  $F \in A_Y\text{-mod}$ ,  $G \in A_X\text{-mod}$ , then

$$\text{Hom}(F, f_* G) \simeq f_* \text{Hom}(f^{-1} F, G).$$

in  $A_Y\text{-mod}$

Remark Apply global sections:

$$\Gamma(Y, \text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}, f_* \mathcal{G})) = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}, f_* \mathcal{G})$$

$$\Gamma(Y, f_* \text{Hom}(f^{-1} \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})) = \Gamma(X, \text{Hom}(f^{-1} \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})) = \text{Hom}(f^{-1} \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$$

Specialized version of the adjunction!

Pf

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(U, f_* \text{Hom}(f^{-1} \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})) &= \Gamma(f^{-1}(U), \text{Hom}(f^{-1} \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})) = \\ &= \text{Hom}(f^{-1} \mathcal{F}|_{f^{-1}(U)}, \mathcal{G}|_{f^{-1}(U)}) = \\ \begin{array}{l} f^{-1}(u) \\ \downarrow f \\ u \end{array} &= \text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}|_U, f_* \mathcal{G}|_U) = \Gamma(U, \text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}, f_* \mathcal{G})) \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Exc Check that for  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  cont's,  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{A}_Y$ -mod,

$$f^{-1} \mathcal{F} \otimes f^{-1} \mathcal{G} \simeq f^{-1}(\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{G}).$$

Warning Not the case for  $f_*$ . Is there a nat map?

### 3. Support

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a sheaf of  $A_x$ -modules.  $x \in X$

$$\mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_x$$

Take a section  $s \in \Gamma(U, \mathcal{F})$ . If  $s_x \in \mathcal{F}_x$  is equal to zero, it means that  $\exists U \supset U_x$  s.t.  
 $s|_V = 0 \Rightarrow s_y = 0$  for all  $y \in V$ .

In other words, the set of  $x \in U$  s.t.  $s_x = 0$  is open.

Def  $\text{Supp}(s) = \{x \mid s_x \neq 0\}$  - support of  $s$ .

$\text{Supp}(s)$  is closed.

Goal: define various sheaves associated to a locally closed  $Z \hookrightarrow X$ .  
↖ intersection of an open & a closed



Case  $Z \hookrightarrow X$  is closed

$$j: Z \hookrightarrow X$$

Put  $\mathcal{F}_Z = j_* j^{-1} \mathcal{F}$ . Sheaf on  $X$ !

$$\mathcal{F}_Z(U) = j_* j^{-1} \mathcal{F}(U) = j^{-1} \mathcal{F}(U \cap Z) = \varinjlim_{V \supset U \cap Z} \mathcal{F}(V)$$

Adjunction unit:

$$\mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_Z$$

Exe

Check that

$$1) (\mathcal{F}_Z)_x = \begin{cases} \mathcal{F}_x, & x \in Z, \\ 0, & x \notin Z. \end{cases}$$

2)  $\mathcal{F}_x \rightarrow (\mathcal{F}_Z)_x$  is iso for  $x \in Z$ .

Prop  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_Z$  is surjective (look at the stalks).

$\mathcal{G} = \text{Ker} (F \rightarrow \bar{F}_Z)$  - subsheaf in  $F$  satisfying

$$\mathcal{G}_x = \begin{cases} 0, & x \in Z, \\ \bar{F}_x, & x \notin Z. \end{cases}$$

Case  $U \hookrightarrow X$  open

defined since  $X \setminus U$  is closed

Put  $\bar{F}_U = \text{Ker} (F \rightarrow \bar{F}_{X \setminus U})$

Cones with  $\bar{F}_U \hookrightarrow F$ .

Case  $Z$  is locally closed

$$Z = U \cap A, \quad U \text{-open, } A \text{-closed}$$

Put  $\bar{F}_Z = (\bar{F}_U)_A$

Properties

$$1) (\bar{F}_Z)_x = \begin{cases} \bar{F}_x, & x \in Z, \\ 0, & x \notin Z. \end{cases}$$

2)  $\mathcal{F} \mapsto \overline{\mathcal{F}}_Z$  is an exact functor  
(look at stalks).

3)  $Z, Z'$  - locally closed  
 $(\overline{\mathcal{F}}_Z)_{Z'} \simeq \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{Z \cap Z'}$ .

4)  $Z' \subset Z$  - closed

$$0 \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{Z \setminus Z'} \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{F}}_Z \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{Z'} \rightarrow 0$$

(Generalization of  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_U \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{X \setminus U} \rightarrow 0$ .)

5)  $Z_1, Z_2$  - closed

$$0 \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{Z_1 \cup Z_2} \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{Z_1} \oplus \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{Z_2} \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{Z_1 \cap Z_2} \rightarrow 0.$$

6)  $U_1, U_2$  - open

$$0 \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{U_1 \cap U_2} \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{U_1} \oplus \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{U_2} \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{U_1 \cup U_2} \rightarrow 0.$$

Another construction: sheaf of sections supported on  $Z$ .

Let  $Z$  be a closed subset in  $U$ .

$$\Gamma_Z(U, \mathcal{F}) = \ker(\mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(U \setminus Z))$$

Sections vanishing outside  $Z$  = supported on  $Z$ .

If  $Z$  is contained in  $V \stackrel{CU}{\Rightarrow} Z$  is closed in  $V \stackrel{\leftarrow \text{open}}{CU}$ .

Remark:  $\Gamma_Z(U, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \Gamma_Z(V, \mathcal{F})$  - isomorphism!

For  $Z$  locally closed, define

$$\Gamma_Z(X, \mathcal{F}) = \Gamma_Z(U, \mathcal{F}), \quad U\text{-open s.t. } Z \cap U \text{ is closed.}$$

$\uparrow$  can alternatively define this as  $\varinjlim$

Def The sheaf of sections of  $\mathcal{F}$  supported at  $Z$

is given by  $\Gamma_Z(\mathcal{F}): U \mapsto \Gamma_{Z \cap U}(U, \mathcal{F})$ .

Exc  $\Gamma_Z(\mathcal{F})$  is a sheaf!

## Properties

← sheaf version of  $\Gamma_Z(X, -)$

$$1) \Gamma_Z(X, -) = \Gamma(X, -) \circ \Gamma_Z(-).$$

$$2) U \text{ - open } \Rightarrow$$

$$\Gamma_U(\mathcal{F}) = L_X \circ \Gamma^{-1} \mathcal{F}.$$

(If  $Z \hookrightarrow X$  - closed, then  $\mathcal{F}_Z = j_* \cdot \mathcal{F}$ .)

Exc Let  $Z \hookrightarrow X$  be locally closed. Then  $\forall \mathcal{F} \in A_X\text{-mod}$

$$\cdot \mathcal{F}_Z = (A_X)_Z \otimes_{A_X} \mathcal{F},$$

$$\cdot \text{Hom}((A_X)_Z, \mathcal{F}) \simeq \Gamma_Z(\mathcal{F}).$$

Lm  $\forall \mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2 \in A_X\text{-mod}$  &  $Z \hookrightarrow X$  locally closed

$$\text{Hom}((\mathcal{F}_1)_Z, \mathcal{F}_2) \simeq \text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}_1, \Gamma_Z(\mathcal{F}_2)) \simeq \Gamma_Z \text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2).$$

↑  
previous exc +  
the sheafified adj.

#### 4. Injective and flat sheaves

Def An injective sheaf is an injective object in  $A_X\text{-mod}$ .

Ln If  $\mathcal{F}$  is injective, then for any  $U \subset X$  open  $\mathcal{F}|_U$  is injective.

Pf For any  $\mathcal{G} \in A_U\text{-mod}$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Hom}(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{F}|_U) &= \text{Hom}((L^* \mathcal{G})|_U, \mathcal{F}|_U) = \\ &= \text{Hom}((L^* \mathcal{G})|_U, \mathcal{F})\end{aligned}$$

The functor  $\mathcal{G} \mapsto (L^* \mathcal{G})|_U$  is exact (what is it?).

$\Rightarrow \text{Hom}(-, \mathcal{F}|_U) \simeq \text{Hom}((L^* -)|_U, \mathcal{F})$  is exact!  $\square$

Cor If  $\mathcal{F}$  is injective, then  $\text{Hom}(-, \mathcal{F})$  is exact.

Ln  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ ,  $\mathcal{F} \in A_X\text{-mod}$  - injective  $\Rightarrow f_* \mathcal{F}$  is injective.

Pf  $\text{Hom}(-, f_* \mathcal{F}) \simeq \text{Hom}(f^{-1}(-), \mathcal{F})$   $\leftarrow$  exact.  $\square$

Allows to demystify the construction of injective hulls.

Prop  $A_X\text{-mod}$  has enough injectives.

Pf Consider the space  $\underline{X} \leftarrow X$  with discrete topology.

$$f: \underline{X} \rightarrow X, \quad F \in A_X\text{-mod}$$

$f^{-1}F$  has an injective hull:

for every  $x \in X$  choose  $0 \rightarrow F_x \rightarrow I_x \leftarrow$  injective

Put  $J = \prod_{x \in X} I_x$ .  $f^{-1}F \hookrightarrow J$ ,  $0 \rightarrow F \hookrightarrow f_* J$   
injective by the previous  $\square$

Problem In general  $A_X\text{-mod}$  does not have enough projectives.  $\otimes$  is right exact, how do we compute its left derived?

Need enough objects s.t.  $F \otimes -$  is exact.

Def  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{A}_X\text{-mod}$  is flat if  $\mathcal{F} \otimes -$  is exact.

Lim  $\mathcal{F}$  is flat  $\iff \forall x \in X$   $\mathcal{F}_x$  is a flat  $A$ -module.  
(In  $A\text{-mod}$   $\mathcal{F}_x \otimes_A -$  is exact. E.g.  $\mathcal{F}_x$  is free.)

Pf Look at stalks.

Prop There are enough flat  $\mathcal{A}_X$ -modules:  $\forall \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{A}_X\text{-mod}$   
 $\exists \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$ ,  $\mathcal{P}$ -flat.

Pf For every  $(U, s)$ ,  $U \subset X$ -open,  $s \in \mathcal{F}(U)$  consider the sheaf  $(\mathcal{A}_X)_U$ . There is a natural map

$$(\mathcal{A}_X)_U \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_U \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$$

$$\Gamma(U, (\mathcal{A}_X)_U) \rightarrow \Gamma(U, \mathcal{F}_U)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{1} & \hookrightarrow & \mathbb{s} \end{array}$$

$$\text{Put } \mathcal{P} = \bigoplus_{(U, s)} (\mathcal{A}_X)_U \rightarrow \mathcal{F}.$$

□



Lemma If  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}' \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}'' \rightarrow 0$  is exact and  $\mathcal{F}$  &  $\mathcal{F}''$  are flat  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{F}'$  is flat.

Conclusion One can compute left derived functors of  $\otimes$  using flat resolutions.

We have enough injectives  $\Rightarrow$  can compute various right derived functors.

Alternatively - use flabby resolutions.

Lemma If  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}' \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}'' \rightarrow 0$  is exact and  $\mathcal{F}'$  &  $\mathcal{F}$  are flabby  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{F}''$  is flabby.

Why is flabby nice?

Lemma If  $\mathcal{F}$  is flabby on  $X$ ,  $Z$ -locally closed, then  $R_2(\mathcal{F})$  is flabby.

## 5. Proper pushforward

From now on, all top. spaces are considered to be very nice. Locally compact for instance. Think about nice manifolds.

Def  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is proper if  $f$  is closed (maps closed subsets to closed subsets) and its fibers are relatively Hausdorff and compact.

↖ two points in a fiber have disj. neighb's in  $X$

Def The proper pushforward of  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{A}_X$ -mod is a subsheaf in  $f_* \mathcal{F}$ :  $(z \mapsto X \text{ is locally closed, } \mathcal{L}(z) \neq \mathcal{F}_z)$

$f_! \mathcal{F}: U \mapsto \{ s \in \mathcal{F}(f^{-1}(U)) \mid \text{supp}(s) \rightarrow U \text{ is proper} \}$ .

Next time

- Discuss all the functors in the derived setting.
- Poincaré - Verdier duality.

Lec 24 → • Perverse sheaves (non-trivial t-structures).