

Triangulated and Derived Categories in Geometry and Algebra

Lecture 4

0. Adjoint functors & limits

We define limits of diagrams $\mathcal{D} \in \text{Fun}(I, \mathcal{C})$.

Inside $\text{Fun}(I, \mathcal{C})$ there are constant functors:

$$\forall x \in \mathcal{C}$$

$\text{Const}(x) : I \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ takes any $i \in I$ to x , all morphisms to id_x .

Get a functor $\mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{\text{Const}} \text{Fun}(I, \mathcal{C})$, ← check fully faithful (if $I \neq \emptyset$).

Prop \mathcal{D} has a colimit \Leftrightarrow the constant diagram functor of x , $\text{Const}(x)$, is initial in the category of arrows $\mathcal{D} \rightarrow \text{Const}(y)$.

Prop Assume all $\mathcal{D} \in \text{Fun}(I, \mathcal{C})$ have a colimit. Then there is an isomorphism of functors

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{Fun}(I, \mathcal{C})}(\mathcal{D}, \text{const}(-)) \cong \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(\varinjlim \mathcal{D}, -)$$

In other words, this functor is representable.

Follows from Problem 1 that \varinjlim is left adjoint to const .
Similarly, $\text{const} \dashv \varprojlim$.

Prop Let $F: \mathcal{A} \rightleftarrows \mathcal{B}: G$ be adjoint, $F \dashv G$.

Assume $\mathcal{D}: I \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ has a colimit. Then

$F(\varinjlim \mathcal{D})$ is the colimit of $F \circ \mathcal{D}: I \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$.

Similarly, G preserves limits: given $\mathcal{D}: I \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$,
if $\varprojlim \mathcal{D}$ exists, then $G(\varprojlim \mathcal{D})$ is $\varprojlim G \circ \mathcal{D}$.

Proof $\forall Y \in \mathcal{B} \quad \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(F(\varinjlim x_i), Y) \cong \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\varinjlim x_i, G(Y)) \cong$

$$\cong \varprojlim \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(x_i, G(Y)) \cong \varprojlim \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(F(x_i), Y)$$

\cong functor which $\varinjlim F \circ \mathcal{D}$
should represent \square

Exc Redo using the UD.

Immediate example. Consider a commutative ring A ,

then $\forall M \in A\text{-Mod} \quad - \otimes_A M \dashv \text{Hom}_A(M, -)$.

Conclude that $- \otimes_A M$ commutes with direct sums!

Remark The proposition gives you a way to prove that a functor does not admit a left/right adjoint.

3. Additive cat's & functors

Def \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} - additive, then $F: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is additive if $\forall X, Y \in \mathcal{A} \quad F: \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(X, Y) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(F(X), F(Y))$ is a group homomorphism $\iff F$ preserves finite products (coproducts).

Recall $\forall f, g: X \rightarrow Y$

$$X \xrightarrow{\Delta} X \oplus Y \xrightarrow{f \times g} X \oplus Y \xrightarrow{\nabla} Y$$

$\xrightarrow{f+g}$

Observation $\forall X, Y \in \mathcal{A}$ -additive $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(Y, X)$ is an abelian group!

$$h_- : \mathcal{A} \begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow \\ \searrow \\ \text{Fun}(\mathcal{A}^{\text{op}}, \text{Ab}) \end{array} \text{Fun}(\mathcal{A}^{\text{op}}, \text{Sets})$$

One should think of h_x as functors $\mathcal{A}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Ab}$.
Same for $h^x : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \text{Ab}$.

Lm Assume $F: \mathcal{A} \rightleftarrows \mathcal{B}: G$ are adjoint b/w additive.
Then both F & G are additive!

Pf $F \dashv G \Rightarrow F$ preserves colimits $\Rightarrow F(0) = 0$,
 $F(X \oplus Y) = F(X) \oplus F(Y)$. Same for G since
 G preserves limits.

□

Prop If \mathcal{A} is additive, then $\text{Fun}(\mathbb{I}, \mathcal{A})$ is also additive. $0: F(i) = 0 \quad \forall i$

$$(F \oplus G)(i) = F(i) \oplus G(i)$$

2. Complexes & homotopy

Def If \mathcal{A} - additive, the category of differential objects is $\text{Diff}(\mathcal{A}) = \text{Fun}(\mathbb{Z}, \mathcal{A})$.

Objects: $\dots \rightarrow X^i \xrightarrow{f^i} X^{i+1} \xrightarrow{f^{i+1}} X^{i+2} \rightarrow \dots$

Morphisms:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & \varphi^i \downarrow \circlearrowleft & & \varphi^{i+1} \downarrow \circlearrowleft & & \varphi^{i+2} \downarrow \circlearrowleft \\ \dots & \rightarrow & Y^i & \xrightarrow{g^i} & Y^{i+1} & \xrightarrow{g^{i+1}} & Y^{i+2} & \rightarrow \dots \end{array}$$

Versions: $\text{Diff}^b(\mathcal{A})$ - full subcategory $X^i = 0, (i \gg 0)$.
 $\text{Diff}^-(\mathcal{A})$ - - - - $X^i = 0, (i \gg 0)$.
 $\text{Diff}^+(\mathcal{A})$ - - - - $X^i = 0, (i \ll 0)$.

As a functor category, it's additive!

Rank $\mathcal{A} \hookrightarrow \text{Diff}^b(\mathcal{A})$ fully faithfully

$$X \hookrightarrow \dots \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \dots$$

↑ in degree 0

Def $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}) \subset \text{Diff}(\mathcal{A})$ - full subcategory of complexes
 $= (X^i, d^i)$ s.t. $\forall i \quad d^{i+1}d^i = 0$.

Similarly define $\mathcal{C}^b(\mathcal{A})$, $\mathcal{C}^-(\mathcal{A})$, $\mathcal{C}^+(\mathcal{A})$.

Homotopy of morphisms

Def Consider $f: X^i \rightarrow Y^i$ in $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A})$. Say that $f \sim 0$
homotopic to 0 if $\exists h^i: X^i \rightarrow Y^{i-1}$ s.t.
 $f^i = h^{i+1}d^i + d^{i-1}h^i$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \dots & \rightarrow & X^{i-1} & \rightarrow & X^i & \xrightarrow{d^i} & X^{i+1} & \rightarrow & \dots \\
 & & & \searrow^{h^i} & \downarrow f^i & & \swarrow^{h^{i+1}} & & \\
 \dots & \rightarrow & Y^{i-1} & \xrightarrow{d^{i-1}} & Y^i & \rightarrow & Y^{i+1} & \rightarrow & \dots
 \end{array}$$

- $f \sim g$ (f is homotopic to g) if $f - g \sim 0$
- $X \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A})$ is homotopic to 0 if $\text{id}_X \sim 0$
- $X, Y \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A})$ are homotopy equivalent if
 $\exists f: X \rightarrow Y, g: Y \rightarrow X$ s.t. $g \circ f \sim \text{id}_X, f \circ g \sim \text{id}_Y$.

Prop Zero morphisms are ~ 0 , if $f \sim 0, g \sim 0, f, g: X \rightarrow Y$, then $-f$ & $f+g$ are ~ 0 .

Lemma Consider $X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z$. Then if f or $g \sim 0$, then $g \circ f \sim 0$.

(Morphisms homotopic to 0 form some kind of ideal!)

Pf Assume $f \sim 0$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \rightarrow & X^{i-1} & \rightarrow & X^i & \rightarrow & X^{i+1} & \rightarrow \\
 & \downarrow f & \searrow h & \downarrow f & \searrow h & \downarrow f & \\
 \rightarrow & Y^{i-1} & \rightarrow & Y^i & \rightarrow & Y^{i+1} & \rightarrow 0 \\
 & \downarrow g & & \downarrow g & & \downarrow g & \\
 \rightarrow & Z^{i-1} & \rightarrow & Z^i & \rightarrow & Z^{i+1} & \rightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

if h is a homotopy, then $g \circ h$ is a homotopy!

□

Cor There is a well-defined category, the homotopy category of \mathcal{A} , s.t. quotient groups

$$\text{Ob } K(\mathcal{A}) = \text{Ob } \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A}), \quad \text{Hom}_{K(\mathcal{A})}(X, Y) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A})}(X, Y) / \sim$$

Similarly are defined $K^b(\mathcal{A})$, $K^-(\mathcal{A})$, $K^+(\mathcal{A})$.

3. Abelian categories

Recall that the kernel of $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ in \mathcal{A} -additive is the equalizer $\text{Eq}(f, 0)$. (If exists!)

$$\text{Ker } f \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y$$

Cokernel - $\text{Coeq}(f, 0)$, coimage - cokernel of the kernel, image - kernel of the cokernel.

Ln If $\text{Ker}(f)$ exists, then it's a monomorphism. $\text{Ker } f \rightarrow X$
If $\text{Coker}(f)$ exists, then it's an epimorphism. $Y \rightarrow \text{Coker } f$

Pf Enough to check the first (opposite ext. argument).

$$\mathbb{Z} \begin{array}{c} \nearrow g \\ \searrow h \end{array} \text{Ker } f \xrightarrow{c} X \xrightarrow{f} Y$$

Assume $co g = co h$. Then $id(g-h) = 0$

Thus, $foio(g-h) = 0$, Also $foio = 0!$

The UP of the kernel implies that $g-h = 0$. \square

Construction

Assume $\text{Ker } f, \text{Coker } f, \text{Im } f, \text{Coim } f$ exist. Let's construct a canonical arrow $\text{Coim } f \rightarrow \text{Im } f$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & \overset{0}{\curvearrowright} & & \\ \text{Ker } f & \xrightarrow{c} & X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y & \xrightarrow{p} & \text{Coker } f \\ & & \downarrow q & \nearrow \exists! h & \uparrow j & & \\ & & \text{Coim } f & \dashrightarrow \exists! & \text{Im } f & & \end{array}$$

Consider $po h$.

Claim $po h = 0$

$\Rightarrow \exists \text{Coim } f \rightarrow \text{Im } f$

Rank $po f = 0$, q is an epimorphism and $po h o q = po f = 0 \Rightarrow \Rightarrow po h = 0!$

Example Fil- k - category of \mathbb{Z} -filtered vector spaces / k .

Objects: $\dots \supseteq V^i \supseteq V^{i+1} \supseteq \dots$

Morphisms: $\varphi: \cup V^i \rightarrow \cup W^i$ s.t. $\varphi(v^i) \in W^i$.

Exe Check that it is additive!

Consider $V: V^i = \begin{cases} k, & i < 0 \\ 0, & i \geq 0 \end{cases}$, $W: W^i = \begin{cases} k, & i \leq 0 \\ 0, & i > 0 \end{cases}$

There is an obvious morphism $f: V \rightarrow W$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \xrightarrow{0} & 0 \\ \cap & & \cap \\ 0 & \xrightarrow{0} & k \\ \cap & & \cap \\ k & \xrightarrow{\cong} & k \\ \cap & & \cap \\ k & \xrightarrow{\cong} & k \\ \cap & & \cap \\ \vdots & & \vdots \end{array}$$

- Check:
1. $\ker f = 0$
 2. $\text{Im} f = 0$
 3. $\text{Coim} f = V$
 4. $\text{Im} f = W$
 5. f is not an isom.

Def An abelian category \mathcal{A} is an additive category which has all kernels & cokernels and the natural $\text{Coker } f \rightarrow \text{Im } f$ are isomorphisms.

Main example

- R -ring with 1 (associative, might not be commutative)

$R\text{-Mod}$ - left - R -modules are abelian categories.
 $\text{Mod-}R$ - right - R -modules

- Ab , Ab^{f}

- \mathcal{A} -abelian $\Rightarrow \mathcal{A}^{\text{op}}$ -abelian

- \mathcal{A} -abelian $\Rightarrow \text{Fun}(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{A})$ -abelian category

Exe Check this!

- $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{A})$, $\mathcal{C}^b(\mathcal{A})$, $\mathcal{C}^-(\mathcal{A})$, $\mathcal{C}^+(\mathcal{A})$ are abelian if \mathcal{A} is.

Def \mathcal{A} - abelian, $f: X \rightarrow Y$

- f is injective if $\ker f = 0$,
- f is surjective if $\operatorname{coker} f = 0$.

Ln f is injective $\Leftrightarrow f$ is a monomorphism,
 f is surjective $\Leftrightarrow f$ is an epimorphism.

Cor Any $f: X \rightarrow Y$ in an abelian category decomposes as $f = p \circ c$, c - injective, p - surjective

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y \\ & \searrow p & \nearrow c \\ & \operatorname{Im} f & \end{array}$$

Ln \mathcal{A} - abelian \Rightarrow all finite limits & colimits exist in \mathcal{A} .

Pf

- 1) Finite products exist.
- 2) $\operatorname{Eq}(f, g) = \ker(f - g)$. ← check this
- 3) Colimits by duality.

□

Def A complex $X^\bullet \in C(A)$, A -abelian is exact if $\forall i \quad \text{Im } d^{i-1} \simeq \text{ker } d^i$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 X^{i-1} & \xrightarrow{d^{i-1}} & X^i & \xrightarrow{d^i} & X^i & \xrightarrow{d^i} & X^{i+1} \\
 & \searrow p & \uparrow \varphi & \xrightarrow{h} & \uparrow \psi & \searrow & \\
 & & \text{Im } d^{i-1} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{ker } d^i & &
 \end{array}$$

$h = d^i \circ \varphi$. know that $h \circ p = d^i \circ \varphi \circ p = d^i \circ d^{i-1} = 0$.
 Since p is an epimorphism, $d^i \circ \varphi = h = 0$.
 Thus, $\exists!$ j s.t. everything commutes.

Exc Check that $\text{Im } d^{i-1} \rightarrow \text{ker } d^i$ is injective.

Def Given $X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z$ s.t. $g \circ f = 0$, say that it's a left exact sequence if $\text{ker } g \simeq \text{Im } f$, and f - injective. Right exact if $\text{ker } g \simeq \text{Im } f$,

g is surjective. Exact if both right + left.

Notation $0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z$ left exact
 $X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z \rightarrow 0$ right exact
 $0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z \rightarrow 0$ exact (short exact sequence = SES)

Def An additive functor is left exact if it maps left exact sequences to left exact:

$$0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z \rightsquigarrow 0 \rightarrow F(X) \rightarrow F(Y) \rightarrow F(Z)$$

Right exact: preserves right exactness.

Exact: preserves exactness.

Thm (Freyd-Mitchell embedding theorem)

Let \mathcal{A} be abelian. Then there exists a ring R and a fully faithful exact embedding $\mathcal{A} \hookrightarrow R\text{-Mod}$.

Allows us to think of \mathcal{A} as of a full subcategory

of a category of modules closed under \oplus , \ker , coker .

Problem 2 Let \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} be abelian. Show that $F: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is left (right) exact $\Leftrightarrow F$ preserves finite limits (colimits).