

## Lecture 7. Perfect complexes

### 7.1 Perfect complexes

Def:  $\mathcal{C}$  stable  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{C}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{C}$  full subcategory

$\mathcal{C}_0$  is stable if it contains the zero object  $0 \in \mathcal{C}$  and is closed under cofibres in  $\mathcal{C}$ .

$\mathcal{C}_0$  is thick if it is stable and moreover closed under direct summands (= retracts) in  $\mathcal{C}$ .

Def: A commutative ring,  $M \in D(A)$  is perfect if it is contained in the thick subcategory generated by the object  $A \in D(A)$ .

$D_{\text{perf}}(A) \subseteq D(A)$  full subcat.

Ex:  $f \in A$   $\text{Cohib}(A \xrightarrow{f} A) \subseteq D_{\text{perf}}(A)_{\geq 0}$   
(Koszul "complex" on the element  $f$ )

$f_1, \dots, f_n \in A$   $K_{f_1, \dots, f_n} := \bigoplus_i^L \text{Cohib}(A \xrightarrow{f_i} A) \in D_{\text{perf}}(A)$

Non-example.  $A = k[x]/(x^2)$   $k \in D(A)$  is not perfect

Def:  $X$  scheme  $\mathcal{F} \in D(X)$  is perfect if  $\forall U = \text{Spec}(A) \subseteq X \quad \exists u \in D(U) \cong D(A)$  is perfect

Corollary: The presheaf of  $\infty$ -categories  
 $(\text{Sch})^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \infty\text{-Cat}$

$D_{\text{perf}} : X \mapsto D_{\text{perf}}(X)$  satisfies Zar descent

Proof:  $D_{\text{perf}} \subseteq D$  subsheaf

Since  $D$  is a sheaf,  $D_{\text{perf}}$  is a sheaf as long as it is defined by a "local" property  $\blacksquare$

Theorem:  $X$  quasi-compact quasi-separated scheme  
Then every quasi-coherent complex  $\mathcal{F} \in D(X)$   
can be written as a filtered colimit of perfect cpx's.

$$\mathcal{F} \cong \varinjlim_{\alpha} \mathcal{F}_{\alpha} \quad \mathcal{F}_{\alpha} \in D_{\text{perf}}(X)$$

Variant 1: if  $\mathcal{F} \in D(X)_{\geq 0}$  then  $\mathcal{F}_{\alpha}$  can be taken connective.

Variant 2: if  $\mathcal{F}$  is supported on a closed subset  $Z \subseteq X$  (with complement  $X \setminus Z$  quasi-compact)  
then also  $\mathcal{F}_{\alpha}$  can be taken supported on  $Z$

$$(\mathcal{F} \text{ supported on } Z \Leftrightarrow j^*(\mathcal{F}) \cong 0 \quad j: X \setminus Z \hookrightarrow X)$$

$$D(X \text{ on } Z) \subseteq D(X)$$

$$D_{\text{perf}}(X \text{ on } Z) \subseteq D(X)_{\text{perf}}$$

## 7.2: Compactly generated $\infty$ -categories

Def:  $\mathcal{C}$   $\infty$ -category with filtered colimits

An object  $X \in \mathcal{C}$  is compact if

$\text{Maps}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, -) : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Avin}$   
commutes w/ filtered colims

Rule:  $\mathcal{C}$  stable  $\infty$ -category

$\mathcal{C}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{C}$  full subcategory of compact objects  
is thick

- filtered colimits commute with finite limits in  $\mathcal{A}\text{mim}$
- a retract of an isomorphism is an isomorphism

Ex: A ring. Every  $M \in D(A)$  perfect  
is a compact object.

Proof: Suffices to show for  $A \in D(A)$   
since  $A$  generates  $D_{\text{perf}}(A)$  as a  
thick subcategory.

$\Leftrightarrow \text{Maps}_{D(A)}(A, -) \cong (-)^{\circ} : D(A) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}\text{mim}$   
commutes w/ filtered colimits.

Def:  $\mathcal{C}$   $\infty$ -category

$\mathcal{C}$  is compactly generated if it admits (small)  
colimits and every object  $X \in \mathcal{C}$  is a filtered  
colimit of compact objects  $X_i \in \mathcal{C}_0$   
where  $\mathcal{C}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{C}$  ess. small full subcategory.

Constr (Ind-completion):  $\mathcal{C}$  small stable  $\infty$ -category

$\text{Ind}(\mathcal{C}) := \text{Fun}_{\text{lex}}(\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}}, \mathcal{A}\text{mim}) = \{ \text{left-exact functors} \}$   
 $\text{finite-limit-preserving}$

Claims:

1)  $\text{Ind}(\mathcal{C})$  stable.

2) Yoneda  $\mathcal{C} \hookrightarrow \text{Fun}(\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}}, \mathcal{A}\text{mim})$  factors through  
 $\mathcal{C} \hookrightarrow \text{Ind}(\mathcal{C})$  which exhibits  $\text{Ind}(\mathcal{C})$

as the free completion of  $\mathcal{C}$  by filtered colimits.

3) Factors through  $\mathcal{C} \hookrightarrow \text{Ind}(\mathcal{C})^{\omega} = \{ \text{compact objects in } \text{Ind}(\mathcal{C}) \}$

and this functor is an idempotent completion  
(every object in the target is a direct summand  
of an object in  $\mathcal{C}$ ).

Rank:  $\mathcal{C}$  is compactly generated

$\Leftrightarrow \exists$  full subcat  $\mathcal{C}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{C}$  (wh. small admitting finite colimits)

with  $\text{Ind}(\mathcal{C}_0) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{C}$  is an equivalence

$\Leftrightarrow \text{Ind}(\mathcal{C}^{\omega}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{C}$  is an equivalence  
 $\mathcal{C}^{\omega} = \text{full subcat of compact obj}$

Prop:  $\mathcal{C}$  algebraic category

1)  $\text{Arith}(\mathcal{C})$  is compactly generated

2) If  $\mathcal{C}$  additive, then  $\text{Arith}^{\text{ac}}(\mathcal{C})$  is compactly gen

Proof: 1)  $\text{Arith}(\mathcal{C}) \subseteq \text{Fun}(F_{\mathcal{C}}^{\text{op}}, \text{Arith}) =: \mathcal{D}$

$L : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \text{Arith}(\mathcal{C})$  localization

$L(\mathcal{D}^{\omega}) \subseteq \text{Arith}(\mathcal{C})$  preserves filtered colimits  
generates under filt. colims.  
and  $L$  preserves compact objects

0) General fact:  $\mathbb{A}$  compactly generated w/ zero obj.

$$\Rightarrow \text{Stab}(\mathbb{A}) := \left( \varprojlim \dots \xrightarrow{\mathbb{J}_1} \mathbb{A} \xrightarrow{\mathbb{J}_2} \mathbb{A} \right)$$

is compactly generated.

Corollary: A ring  $D(A)$ ,  $D(A)_{\geq 0}$  are compactly gen

Moreover  $M \in D(A)$  is compact  $\Leftrightarrow M \in D_{\text{perf}}(A)$ .

Proof:  $\text{Ind}(D_{\text{perf}}(A)) \xrightarrow{\sim} D(A)$

$$\Rightarrow D_{\text{perf}}(A) \xrightarrow{\sim} D(A)^{\omega}. \quad \square$$

Corollary:  $X$  scheme  $\mathcal{F} \in D(X)$  compact  
 $\Rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  is perfect

Proof: suffices to show  $F_U \in D(U)$  is perfect  
 $\forall U \subseteq X$  affine open  $j: U \hookrightarrow X$

$F_U = j^*(\mathcal{F})$   $j^*$  preserves compact objects  
since  $\text{I}\mathbb{R}j_*$  preserves (filtered) colimits  
(§6)

$U$  affine  $\Rightarrow F_U$  perfect  $\square$

### 7.3 Grothendieck prestable $\infty$ -categories

Def:  $\mathcal{C}$   $\infty$ -category is called presentable if

- $\kappa$ -compactly generated for some regular card.  $\kappa$   
 (admits colimits and every obj. is a  
 $\kappa$  filt. colimit of  $\kappa$ -compact objects  $\in \mathcal{C}$ )  
 $\mathcal{C}_0 \subseteq \mathcal{C}$  full subcat ess small,  $\kappa$  small  
 (limits)

A prestable  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{C}$  is Grothendieck if

- $\mathcal{C}$  presentable
- filtered colimits are left-exact  
 $(\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{I} : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  conn. w/ filt. colims)

Rank: ab cat  $\rightsquigarrow$  prestable  $\infty$ -categories

Groth ab  $\hookrightarrow$  Groth prestable

$$\mathcal{C}^\otimes \longleftrightarrow \mathcal{C}$$

Prop: Limits of Groth prestable  $\infty$ -categories and  
 left-exact colim-pres functors are Groth. prestable.

Ex:  $\mathcal{D}(X)$  is Groth. prestable  $\forall X \in \text{Sch}$   
 $\mathcal{D}(X)_{\geq 0}$

Theorem (Lurie):  $\mathcal{C}$  Groth. prestable  $\infty$ -category  
 $\mathcal{C}$  is compactly generated iff for every nonzero  $X \in \mathcal{C}$   
 there exists a compact obj  $X_0$  and a nonzero map  $X_0 \rightarrow X$ .

[SAG, Cor C.6.3.3]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ex: } D(A) &\ni M \quad \text{nonzero} \quad \Rightarrow \exists x \in \pi_n(M) \neq 0 \\ &\quad \text{nonzero} \\ \Leftrightarrow A[n] &\rightarrow M \quad \text{nonzero map in } D(A) \\ &\quad \uparrow \text{compact.} \end{aligned}$$

Lemma:  $X = \text{Spec}(A)$  affine  $Z \subseteq \text{Spec}(A)$  closed subset  
 $U = X \setminus Z$

$D(X \text{ on } Z) = \{ F \in D(X) \mid \exists |u=0| \text{ is compactly generated.}$   
 $D(X \text{ on } Z)_{>0}$ .

Proof: Suff to show for  $D(X \text{ on } Z)_{>0}$   
Note  $D(X \text{ on } Z)_{>0} = \text{Fib}(D(X)_{>0} \xrightarrow{\perp} D(U)_{>0})$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Grothendieck prestable.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Note: } M \in D(X)_{>0} &\text{ belongs to } D(X \text{ on } Z)_{>0} \\ \Leftrightarrow j^*(M) &\subseteq 0 \text{ in } D(U) \\ \Leftrightarrow j^{**}(\pi_n(M)) &\subseteq 0 \text{ in } D(U)^0 \quad \forall n \geq 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow j^{**}(\pi_n(M)) &\subseteq 0 \quad U = \bigcup_{\alpha} U(f_{\alpha}) \quad f_{\alpha} \in A \\ &\quad " \quad j_{\alpha} : U(f_{\alpha}) \rightarrow X \\ \Leftrightarrow \pi_n(M)[f_{\alpha}^{-1}] &\subseteq 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow \pi_n(M) &\text{ is } f_{\alpha}^{\infty}\text{-torsion} \quad \forall \alpha \\ \Rightarrow \exists k > 0 \quad \underbrace{f_{\alpha}^k \cdot \pi_n(M)}_0 &= 0 \quad \forall \alpha \end{aligned}$$

(check criterion:  $M \in D(X \text{ on } Z)_{>0}$  nonzero

$$\begin{aligned} Z &\subseteq \pi_n(M) \quad \text{nonzero} \\ (\text{choose } k &> 0 \quad \text{as above} \\ \Rightarrow K_{(f_{\alpha})_a}[n] &\xrightarrow{\tilde{x}} M \quad \text{nonzero map on } (f_{\alpha}^k)_a \end{aligned}$$

"Local complex"

$$\chi: A[n] \rightarrow M$$

Assume the sequence has only one element  $f$  ( $U = U(f)$ )

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A[n] & \xrightarrow{f^k} & A[n] & \rightarrow & K_{f^k}[n] \\ & \searrow \chi & \downarrow & \vdots & \tilde{\chi} \\ & 0 & M & \leftarrow & \tilde{X} \end{array}$$

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$\tilde{\chi}$  exists  $\Leftrightarrow \chi \circ f$  is null-homotopic

$$(f^k \chi = 0)$$

Note:  $K_{f^k} \in D(A)_{\geq 0}$  is also supported on  $V(f)$   
 $\Rightarrow K_{f^k} \in D_{\text{perf}}(X \text{ on } \mathbb{Z})$ .