

① Derived categories, Ext's & derived functors:

1) The de. cat. gives a better way to understand derived functors.

Namely:  $F: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  left exact functor b/w abelian categories

$\mathcal{R} \subset \mathcal{A}$  is an adapted class of objects if

- $\mathcal{R}$  is stable under direct sums
- $C^\bullet$  acyclic complex in  $\mathcal{R} \Rightarrow F(C^\bullet)$  acyclic  
 $\hookrightarrow H^i(C) = 0$
- $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}, \exists$  inclusion  $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow R, R \in \mathcal{R}$ . (ex.: injectives)

$K^+(\mathcal{R}) =$  homotopy category of complexes bounded below of objects in  $\mathcal{R}$   
 $\uparrow$  morphisms = chain maps up to homotopy

Then:  $RF :=$  composition  $D^+(\mathcal{A}) \xrightarrow{\text{resolution by elts of } \mathcal{R}} K^+(\mathcal{R}) \xrightarrow{F} D^+(\mathcal{B})$

The functor  $RF: D^+(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow D^+(\mathcal{B})$  is exact, i.e. exact triangles  $\mapsto$  exact triangles

Then  $R^i F = H^i(RF)$  (What  $RF$  does for a single object  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  is exactly what we do to compute  $R^i F(A)$  using a resolution by objects of  $\mathcal{R}$  & applying  $F$ , except taking cohomology).

2) Let  $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$  (e.g.  $\text{Coh}(X)$ ), view them as 1-step complexes in degree 0.

$B[k]$  shift ( $B[k]^i = B^{i+k}$ ; so  $B[k]$  concentrated in degree  $-k$ ).

Prop:  $\| \text{Hom}_{D^b(\mathcal{A})}(A, B[k]) = \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^k(A, B)$

\* can use this to define product on  $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^k(A, B) \otimes \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^l(B, C) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{k+l}(A, C)$   
 as composition in  $D^b(\mathcal{A})$

Example: for  $k=1$ :  $0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0$   
 $\quad \quad \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$   
 $0 \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 0$

no chain maps; but were allowed to invert quasi-isom's !!

If we have an extension  $0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} C \rightarrow 0$  (s.e.s. in  $\mathcal{A}$ )

then we get maps of complexes

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & 0 & \rightarrow & C & \rightarrow & 0 \\ & & & & \uparrow & & \\ & & & & f & \uparrow & g \\ 0 & \rightarrow & A & \rightarrow & B & \rightarrow & 0 \\ & & \text{id} \downarrow & & & & \\ 0 & \rightarrow & A & \rightarrow & 0 & \rightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

quasi-isom.

② which gives an element of  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{D}^b(A)}(C, A[1]) \cong \text{Ext}^1(C, A)$   
 (can do the same with higher Ext's.)

\* 2 ways to understand the proposition:

→ if  $A$  has enough injectives, take an injective resol<sup>n</sup> of  $B$  and replace  $B$  by quasi-isom. complex (not bounded, but  $\mathcal{D}^b \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}^+$  is full and faithful...)

then chain maps  $I_0 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow I_{k-1} \rightarrow I_k \rightarrow I_{k+1} \rightarrow \dots$  up to homotopy  $\cong H^k(\text{Hom}(A, I_k))$ .

→ check definition of Ext as derived functor:

say  $0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{u} B \xrightarrow{v} C \rightarrow 0$  s.e.s. in  $\mathcal{A}$

Then get an exact triangle in  $\mathcal{D}^b(A)$ :  $A \xrightarrow{u} B \xrightarrow{v} C \xrightarrow{w} A[1]$   
 ( $w$  = extension map as above)

Axioms of triangulated categories  $\Rightarrow$

Prop:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A \xrightarrow{u} B \\ \text{exact triangle, } E \text{ object} \Rightarrow \text{long exact sequences} \\ \begin{array}{ccc} \text{Hom}(E, A) & \xrightarrow{u_*} & \text{Hom}(E, B) \\ \text{Hom}(E, C) & \xrightarrow{v_*} & \text{Hom}(E, A[1]) \end{array} \end{array} \right.$

$\dots \rightarrow \text{Hom}(E, A[i]) \xrightarrow{u_*} \text{Hom}(E, B[i]) \xrightarrow{v_*} \text{Hom}(E, C[i]) \xrightarrow{w_*} \text{Hom}(E, A[i+1]) \rightarrow \dots$   
 $\dots \rightarrow \text{Hom}(A[i+1], E) \xrightarrow{w^*} \text{Hom}(C[i], E) \xrightarrow{v^*} \text{Hom}(B[i], E) \xrightarrow{u^*} \text{Hom}(A[i], E) \rightarrow \dots$

applying to our case ( $A, B, C, E$  1-step complexes) we get exactly the defining property of Ext as derived functor of Hom  $\checkmark$ .

(Idea: e.g., exactness at  $\text{Hom}(E, B)$ : (same at other places))

• check  $vu = 0$  for any exact triangle:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} A & \xrightarrow{\text{id}} & A & \rightarrow & 0 & \rightarrow & A[1] \\ \text{id} \downarrow & & \downarrow u & & \downarrow \exists h & & \downarrow \text{id} \\ A & \xrightarrow{u} & B & \xrightarrow{v} & C & \rightarrow & A[1] \end{array}$$
 axiom:  $\exists h$  st. squares commute  
 $h$  must be 0  $\Rightarrow vu = 0 \checkmark$

• now: assume  $f: E \rightarrow B$  s.t.  $vf = 0$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} E & \xrightarrow{\text{id}} & E & \rightarrow & 0 & \rightarrow & E[1] \\ \exists g \downarrow & & \downarrow f & & \downarrow 0 & & \downarrow \\ A & \xrightarrow{u} & B & \xrightarrow{v} & C & \rightarrow & A[1] \end{array}$$
  $\exists g$  st squares commute  
 $\Rightarrow f = ug$

Hence  $\ker v_2 = \text{Im } u_2 \checkmark$ .



④  $\text{Tw } \mathcal{A}$  is a triangulated  $A_\infty$ -category ( $\exists$  mapping cones, like usual complexes)

3) cohomology category  $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}) := H^0(\text{Tw } \mathcal{A})$  (harder tri-cat.): same objects, but  
 $\text{hom}(X, Y) := H^0(\text{hom}^{\text{Tw } \mathcal{A}}(X, Y), m_{\perp}^{\text{Tw } \mathcal{A}})$  (NB:  $\text{hom}(X, Y[k]) = H^k(\dots)$ )  
[analogue of: chain maps up to homotopy]  
composition = induced by  $m_2^{\text{Tw } \mathcal{A}}$  on cohomology.

Remark: there's no localization step wrt quasi-isoms:  
"quasi-isomorphisms are built into the  $A_\infty$ -structure and already  
invertible up to homotopy".