

## § 10 Čech cohomology for étale sheaves

Let  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_i \rightarrow X\}$  be an étale covering,

$P$  a presheaf on  $X_{\text{ét}}$ . We can form

Čech complex in usual way:

$$C^r(\mathcal{U}, P) = \prod_{(i_0, \dots, i_r)} P(U_{i_0} \times_X U_{i_1} \times_X \dots \times_X U_{i_r})$$

Differential given by

$$(d^r s)_{i_0, \dots, i_{r+1}} = \sum_{j=0}^{r+1} (-1)^j s_{i_0, \dots, i_{j-1}, i_{j+1}, \dots, i_{r+1}}$$

Complex, from homology, etc.

If  $F$  is a sheaf, then  $\check{H}^0(\mathcal{U}, F) = F(X)$ .

Sup  $\mathcal{U}$  refines  $\mathcal{U}$  if every  $V_j \rightarrow X$  factors thru some

$$U_i \rightarrow X. \text{ Get } C^\circ(\mathcal{U}, P) \rightarrow C^\circ(\mathcal{V}, P)$$

which induces well-defined map  $\check{H}^\circ(\mathcal{U}, P) \rightarrow \check{H}^\circ(\mathcal{V}, P)$

$$\text{Def. } \check{H}^\circ(X, P) := \varinjlim_{\mathcal{U}} \check{H}^\circ(\mathcal{U}, P)$$

Properties:  $\check{H}^\circ(X, \mathbb{F}) = F(X)$  for any sheaf  $F/X$  (obvious)

$$\check{H}^\circ(X, \mathbb{Z}) = 0 \text{ for injectives (since } C^\circ(\mathcal{U}, F) = \text{Hom}(\check{Z}^\circ, F)$$

These imply  $H = \check{H}$  whenever SBS for some exact  $\check{Z}^\circ$  presheaf

$\mathcal{L}$  sheaves  $\Rightarrow$  LBS on  $\check{C}$  when. This follows if for SBS

$$\text{induces } 0 \rightarrow \varinjlim C^\circ(\mathcal{U}, F') \rightarrow \varinjlim C^\circ(\mathcal{U}, F) \xrightarrow{\varinjlim} C^\circ(\mathcal{U}, F) \xrightarrow{\varinjlim} C^\circ(\mathcal{U}, F) \rightarrow 0$$

Thm: This holds if every fin. subset of  $X$  is contained in an open affine &  $X$  is qc.

Pf. Key difficulty: right exactness. One local surj, i.e.

for each  $S \in \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{U}_{i_0, \dots, i_n})$  find every  $V_j \rightarrow U_{i_0, \dots, i_n}$

s.t.  $S|_{V_j}$  lifts to  $F(V_j)$ , but we specifically need  $V_j$  of

ne form  $V_0 \times_X V_1 \times_X \dots \times_X V_n \sim V_{in} (\twoheadrightarrow U) \rightarrow X$ .

CA lemma:  $\mathcal{D} \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}, P_1, \dots, P_n$ , start kernel  $A_1, \dots, A_n$   
of  $A_{P_1}, \dots, A_{P_n}$ , then  $A' = A_1 \otimes_A \dots \otimes_A A_n$  has

ff.  $A' \rightarrow B$  has  $\text{ker } B \rightarrow A'$ .

Lemma:  $H^1(X, F) = \check{H}^1(X, F)$  always

§ 11 = Principal homog. spaces

If  $\mathcal{G}$  is a sheaf of gps on  $X_{\text{ét}}$ , then given a covering  $\mathcal{U}$ ,  
 can define cocycles for  $\mathcal{U}$  in the usual way:  $g_{ij}$  on  $U_{ij}$ ,

$$g_{ij} \cdot g_{jk} = g_{ik} \text{ on overlap } U_{ijk}.$$

Coboundaries if  $g'_{ij} = (h_i|_{U_{ij}}) \cdot g_{ij} \cdot (h_j|_{U_{ij}})^{-1}$  for some  $(h_i)$

$\check{H}^1(X_{\text{ét}}, \mathcal{G})$  is not always a gp, just ptcl set. Get exact seq.

$$\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}^1(x) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(x) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}^0(x)$$

$$\rightarrow \check{H}^1(x, \mathcal{G}^1) \rightarrow \check{H}^1(x, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow \check{H}^1(x, \mathcal{G}^0)$$

PHS. Let  $\mathcal{G}/X_{\text{ét}}$  sh of gps,  $S$  a  $\mathcal{G}$ -sh.

We say  $S$  is a PHS for  $\mathcal{G}$  if

(a)  $\exists$  an étale covering  $(U_i \rightarrow X)$  s.t.  $S(U_i) \neq \emptyset$

(b) If  $U \rightarrow X$  is any étale map and set  $S(U)$ , then  $g \mapsto sg$  is an iso  $\mathcal{G}|_U \rightarrow S|_U$ .

Such a covering is called a splitting of  $\mathcal{D}$ .

Given a PHS, get 1-cycle for  $\mathcal{D}$  by choosing  $s_i \in S(U_i)$

then  $\exists! g_{ij} \in \mathcal{D}(U_i)$  s.t.  $s_i \circ g_{ij} = s_j \circ U_{ij}$

$\Rightarrow (g_{ij})_{U_{ij}}$  is a 1-cycle.

Prop: This defines a bijection from iso. classes of PHS <sup>split by  $U$</sup>

to  $\check{H}^1(U, \mathcal{D})$

Pf: Mostly routine

Ex: Let  $\mathcal{D}$  be const. sh. on  $X_{\text{ét}}$  defined by a fin. gp.  $G$

If  $Y \rightarrow X$  is a Galois covering w/ gp.  $G$ , we can

let  $S(U) = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{sections } U \rightarrow Y \\ \text{of } Y \times_X U \rightarrow U \end{array} \right\}$ . Then

$S$  is a PHS for  $X$ ;  $\{Y \rightarrow X\}$  is a <sup>G acts nat.</sup> family covering.

Conversely, all PHS for  $\mathcal{D}$  arise in this way, indeed

$$\check{H}^1(X_{\text{ét}}, \mathcal{D}) \cong \text{Hom}_{\text{cont}}(\pi_1(X, \bar{x}), G)$$

Thm: The <sup>isobelian</sup> set of locally free (Zariski) sheaves of rank  $n$  on  $X (= L_n(X))$  is in bij. w/  $\check{H}^1(X_{\text{Zar}}, GL_n)$

$$\check{H}^1(X_{\text{ét}}, GL_n)$$

Pr.  $L(x) = \tilde{H}^1(X_{Z_r}, G_n)$  is standard; need to show that the  $\tilde{H}^1$  all agree. Need to show:

$\tilde{H}^1(X_{F_1}, G_n)$   
 flat site (flat f.i. site type ops)

- (a) all locally free sheaves on flat/étale top. come from  $\tilde{Z}_r$ ;
- (b) If  $M$  coherent  $\mathcal{O}_{X_{Z_r}}$ , then  $M^{\text{flat}}$  locally free  $\Leftrightarrow M$  locally free
- (c)  $M \cong N \in L_n(X_{Z_r})$  iff  $M^{\text{flat}} \cong N^{\text{flat}}$ .

Sketches to work in affine case.

(5) Sketch:  
 CA: Projective  $A$ -modules  $\Leftrightarrow$  locally free  $A$ -mods.

If  $A \rightarrow B$  flat, then  $M$  locally free  $\Leftrightarrow$   $M \otimes_A B$  locally free

$$B \otimes_A \text{Hom}_A(M, N) = \text{Hom}_B(B \otimes_A M, B \otimes_A N)$$

$\Rightarrow$  exactness of  $\text{Hom}_B(B \otimes_A M, -)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  exactness of  $B \otimes_A \text{Hom}_A(M, -)$   
 flat  $\Rightarrow$  exactness of  $\text{Hom}_A(M, -)$

Can now work affine locally to show that if  $M^{\text{flat}}$  locally free  $\Rightarrow M$  locally free  
 Cor:  $P_{12}(X) = H^1(X_{\text{ét}}, G_n) \Rightarrow M$  locally free

Spectral Sequences:

left ex.

Graph. SS: let  $A \xrightarrow{F} B \xrightarrow{G} C$

and assume  $(R^r G)(F) = 0$  for

$r > 0$  ( $\Leftrightarrow F$  sends injectives to inj.  $\Leftarrow F$  has a left adj.)

Then there is a SS

(composition of  
der. functors)

$$E_2^{rs} = (R^r G)(R^s F)(A)$$

$$\Rightarrow R^{res}(RG)(A)$$

(derived functor of composition)

For us:

$$\text{Sh}(X_{\text{et}}) \xrightarrow{i} \text{PreSh}(X_{\text{et}}) \xrightarrow{H^0(X_{\text{et}}, -)}_{AB}$$

$i$  Loc. defined function

$$\overset{\text{product}}{H^r(F)} : U \mapsto H^r(U, F|_U)$$

Prop: Sheafification of  $H^r(F) \cong 0$  for  $r > 0$

$$a(H^r(F)) = a(H^r(i_* I^\bullet))$$

$$= H^r(a_* I^\bullet) \quad \text{since } a \text{ is exact}$$

$$= H^r(I^\bullet) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  Given  $s \in H^r(X, F) \neq 0$ ,

$\exists$  étale covering  $(U_i \rightarrow X)$  s.t.  $s$  restricts

to  $0 \in H^r(U_i, F)$

Map  $a: I \rightarrow$



$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{I}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(X) \rightarrow H^1(X, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\downarrow \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$$

Locally  $\mathcal{S} = 0$ , so  $\downarrow \omega_i$  lifts to  $\tilde{F}_i \in \mathcal{I}(U_i)$ .

Thus  $s_{ij} = \tilde{F}_j|_{U_{ij}} - \tilde{F}_i|_{U_{ij}} \in \mathcal{F}(U_{ij})$