

II perverse sheaves: support and co-support condition.

All homology and cohomology groups have \mathbb{Q} -coefficients
sheaves.

$D_c^b(X, \mathbb{Q})$ is a triangulated category

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U & \xhookrightarrow{j} & X & \xleftarrow{i} & Z \\ \text{open} & & \text{closed} & & \end{array} \quad U \text{ in general Zariski open in } X$$

$$j^* = j^! \quad Rj_* = Rj_!$$

$$Rj_! j^{-1} F^\cdot \rightarrow F^\cdot \rightarrow Rj_* i^* F^\cdot \xrightarrow{\dashv}$$

$$Rj_* i^! F^\cdot \rightarrow F^\cdot \rightarrow Rj_* j^{-1} F^\cdot \xrightarrow{\dashv}$$

adjunction formula.

These induce long exact sequences:

$$\cdots \rightarrow H^i_c(X, Rj_! j^! F^\cdot) \rightarrow H^i_c(X, F^\cdot) \rightarrow H^i_c(Z, i^* F^\cdot) \rightarrow \cdots \quad \text{relative long exact sequence for } (X, Z)$$

$$\cdots \rightarrow H^i_c(X, Rj_* i^! F^\cdot) \rightarrow H^i_c(X, F^\cdot) \rightarrow H^i_c(U, j^* F^\cdot) \rightarrow \cdots \quad \text{relative long e.s. for } (X, U)$$

$$\cdots \rightarrow H^i_c(U, j^! F^\cdot) \rightarrow H^i_c(X, F^\cdot) \rightarrow H^i_c(Z, i^* F^\cdot) \rightarrow H^{i+1}_c(U, j^* F^\cdot) \rightarrow \cdots$$

$$\text{if } F = \mathbb{Q}_X \quad \cdots \rightarrow H^i_c(U) \rightarrow H^i_c(X) \rightarrow H^i_c(Z) \rightarrow H^{i+1}_c(U) \rightarrow \cdots$$

Motivation

Weak Lefschetz THM Let X be a projective variety s.t. $X \subseteq \mathbb{P}^N$

Take any hyperplane H in \mathbb{P}^N s.t. $U = X \setminus H$ is smooth.

Then we have $H^i_c(X) \simeq H^i_c(X \cap H)$ for $i \leq n-2$

an injective map. $H^{n-1}_c(X) \hookrightarrow H^{n-1}(X \cap H)$

induced by inclusion
 $X \cap H \hookrightarrow X$

proof: $\cdots \rightarrow H^i_c(U) \rightarrow H^i_c(X) \rightarrow H^i_c(X \cap H) \rightarrow H^{i+1}_c(U) \rightarrow \cdots$

The claim follows if $H^i_c(U) = 0$ for $i < n$

References: The topology of complex projective varieties after S. Lefschetz. (Lamotke)

Example $V \subset \mathbb{CP}^n$ is a hypersurface.

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Example. $V \subseteq \mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^n$ is a hypersurface.

Then $H^i(V) \cong H^i(\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^n)$ for $i \leq n-2$ since $U = \mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^n \setminus V$ is affine and smooth.

THM Any affine variety U with $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} U = n$ has the homotopy type of a real

n -dim CW complex. $\Rightarrow H^i(U) = 0$ for $i > n$
 \Updownarrow (if U is smooth)

$$H_c^{2n-i}(U) = 0 \text{ for } i < n$$

In fact, we have more $H^i(U, \mathbb{Z}) = 0$ for $i > n$ and any local system \mathbb{Z} on U

(since $H^i(U, \mathbb{Z})$ are homotopy invariants)

Example $\mathbb{C}^n \setminus \{0\}$ is not affine ($n \geq 2$), since $H^{2n-1}(\mathbb{C}^n \setminus \{0\}, \mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{Q}$.

$\mathbb{C}^n \setminus \mathbb{C}^m$ with ($n-m \geq 2$) is not affine. since $H^{2n-2m-1}(\mathbb{C}^n \setminus \mathbb{C}^m, \mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{Q}$.

$\mathbb{C}^n \setminus (\mathbb{C}^{n-1} \cup \{\text{pt}\})$ with $n \geq 2$ is not affine. $\text{pt} \notin \mathbb{C}^{n-1}$ $S^1 \vee S^{2n-1}$

Remark affine variety due to Karchyanski

Stein manifold (due to Stein) closed complex mfld in complex vector space

THM. Let U be an affine variety with $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} U = n$. $F \in Sh_c(U, \mathbb{Q})$,

then we have $H^i(U, F) = 0$ for any $i > n$

References Nori Constructible sheaves (arxiv)

(using Noether normalization and induction on dim)

What about complex of constructible sheaves?

$F^\bullet \in D_c^b(U, \mathbb{Q})$ U affine variety with $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} U = n$

How can we have $H^i(U, F^\bullet) = 0$ for any $i > n$?

spectral sequences $E_2^{p,q} = H^p(U, \mathcal{H}^q(F^\bullet)) \Rightarrow H^{p+q}(U, F^\bullet)$

since $F^\bullet \in D_c^b(U, \mathbb{Q})$ $\mathcal{H}^q(F^\bullet)$ is a constructible sheaf on U .

since $F \in D_c^b(X, \mathbb{Q})$ $\mathcal{H}^q(F)$ is a constructible sheaf on U .

$$H^i(\text{Supp } \mathcal{H}^q(F), \mathcal{H}^q(F)) = 0 \quad \text{for } p+q > n \quad p > n-q$$

so we would like to have $\dim \text{Supp } \mathcal{H}^q(F) \leq n-q$.

($\text{Supp } \mathcal{H}^q(F)$ is closed in U . hence also an affine variety)

Shift everything by n and Reformulate the results

for $F \in D_c^b(X, \mathbb{Q})$ if $\dim \text{Supp } \mathcal{H}^q(F) \leq -q$

then for any $U \subseteq X$ affine variety

$$\text{then } H^i(U, F|_U) = 0 \quad \text{for } i > 0.$$

$${}^P D^{<0}(X) = \left\{ F \in D_c^b(X) \text{ s.t. } \underbrace{\dim \text{Supp } \mathcal{H}^q(F)}_{\text{support condition}} \leq -q \right\}$$

$${}^P D^{\geq 0}(X) = \left\{ F \in D_c^b(X) \text{ s.t. } D_X F \text{ satisfies support condition} \right\}$$

$$D_X({}^P D^{<0}(X)) = {}^P D^{\leq 0}(X)$$

$$\underline{Perv}(X) = {}^P D^{<0}(X) \cap {}^P D^{\geq 0}(X) \text{ is a full sub-category of } D_c^b(X)$$

category of perverse sheaves.

Example X smooth variety with $\dim X = n$

then $L(n)$ is perverse for any local system L on X

Example $Y \hookrightarrow X$ Y is smooth

closed embedding

L_Y ($\dim Y$) is perverse for any local system L_Y on Y .

Miracle: ${}^P D^{<0} \cap {}^P D^{\geq 0}$ is a t-structure.

Something about t-structure.

Def Let $D^{<0}, D^{\geq 0}$ be strictly full subcategories of $D_c^b(X)$. Put $D^{\leq 0} = D^{<0}[-n]$

The pair $(D^{<0}, D^{\geq 0})$ is called a t-structure if

$$D^{\geq n} = D^{\geq 0}[-n].$$

$$1. \quad D^{\leq -1} \subset D^{<0} \quad D^{\geq 1} \subset D^{\geq 0}$$

2 $\text{Hom}_{D_c^b}(F; G) = 0$ for $F \in D^{<0}$, $G \in D^{>1}$

3 $\forall F \in D_c^b \quad \exists$ distinguished triangle $\tau_{\leq 0} F \rightarrow F \rightarrow \tau_{\geq 1} F \xrightarrow{+1}$

where $\tau_{\leq 0} F \in D^{<0}$, $\tau_{\geq 1} F \in D^{>1}$

where $\tau_{\leq 0}: D_c^b \rightarrow D^{<0}$

$\tau_{\geq 1}: D_c^b \rightarrow D^{>1}$

Two properties

$D^{<0} \cap D^{>0}$ is an abelian category.

$\tau_{\leq 0}, \tau_{\geq 0}$ is a cohomological functor.

the trivial t-structure.

$$F \in D_c^b(X, \mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow F^{i-1} \xrightarrow{d^{i-1}} F^i \xrightarrow{d^i} F^{i+1} \rightarrow \dots$$

We define $\tau_{\leq i} F$ as: $\dots \rightarrow F^{i-1} \xrightarrow{d^{i-1}} \ker d^i \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \dots$

$\tau_{\geq i} F$ as: $\dots \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \text{coker } d^i \rightarrow F^{i+1} \rightarrow F^{i+2} \rightarrow \dots$

$\tau_{\leq 0} F \rightarrow F \rightarrow \tau_{\geq 1} F \xrightarrow{+1}$

$$D^{<0}(X) = \{ F \in D_c^b(X, \mathbb{Q}) \mid H^j(F) = 0 \text{ for } j > 0 \}$$

$$D^{>0}(X) = \{ F \in D_c^b(X, \mathbb{Q}) \mid H^j(F) = 0 \text{ for } j < 0 \}$$

$$D^{<0}(X) \cap D^{>0}(X) = Sh_c(X)$$

$H^\bullet = \tau_{\geq 0} \tau_{\leq 0}$ is a cohomological functor.

But D_X does not behave well w.r.t. $Sh_c(X)$.

Formal consequences: $\text{Perv}(X)$ is an abelian category.

\exists a cohomological functor ${}^p \chi^\bullet$. i.e.

for a distinguished triangle $M^\bullet \rightarrow F^\bullet \rightarrow N^\bullet \xrightarrow{(+1)}$

$\rightarrow {}^p \chi^\bullet(M^\bullet) \rightarrow {}^p \chi^\bullet(F^\bullet) \rightarrow {}^p \chi^\bullet(N^\bullet) \rightarrow {}^p \chi^{(+1)}(M^\bullet) \rightarrow \dots$

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Example $X = \mathbb{C}$ $j: U = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \hookrightarrow X \xleftarrow{i} \{0\}$

$Rj_! \mathbb{Q}_{U^{(1)}}$ is perverse.

Check why $D_X(j_! \mathbb{Q}_{U^{(1)}}) = Rj_{!*} \mathbb{Q}_{U^{(1)}}$

$$H^0(Rj_{!*} \mathbb{Q}_{U^{(1)}}) = \mathbb{Q}_{\{0\}} \quad \text{so } H^0(Rj_{!*} \mathbb{Q}_{U^{(1)}}) \neq$$

$$j_! \mathbb{Q}_{U^{(1)}} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_{X^{(1)}} \xrightarrow{\sim} Rj_{!*} \mathbb{Q}_{\{0\}}^{(1)} \xrightarrow{(i+1)}$$

$$0 \rightarrow Rj_{!*} \mathbb{Q}_{\{0\}} \rightarrow j_! \mathbb{Q}_{U^{(1)}} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_{X^{(1)}} \rightarrow 0$$

short exact sequence in $\text{Perv}(X)$

So In general if you want to compute Kernel of a map between perverse sheaves.

$$P \rightarrow Q \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{(i+1)}$$

$$0 \rightarrow P \xrightarrow{\text{id}} P \rightarrow Q \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{\text{id}} R \rightarrow 0.$$

Perverse is a "local" notion.

support condition by checking stable.

cosupport condition.

$$H^i(B_x, P)$$

Perverse sheaves is not a sheaf.

By Definition. $\text{Perv}(X)$ is stable by D_X .

i.e. $D_X P \in \text{Perv}(X)$ for any $P \in \text{Perv}(X)$

$$D_X^2 = \text{id}$$

$$\underline{\text{PD}} \quad H^i(X, P) \simeq H^i(X, D_X P) \quad \text{for any } P \in \text{Perv}(X).$$

One last thing. $F \in {}^P D^{<0}(X) \iff$ for any affine Zariski open $U \subseteq X$
 $H^i(U, F|_U) = 0 \text{ for any } i > 0.$

Artin vanishing theorem

proof: \Rightarrow obvious.

\Leftarrow Fix a Whitney stratification of U w.r.t. F .

Take a generic hyperplane H w.r.t. U

$$H \cap U \xhookrightarrow{i} U \xleftarrow{j} U \setminus H = U'$$

Note that $i^! = i^![-2]$ since H is generic.

U' is also affine. set $F' = F|_{U'}$

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$$\dots \rightarrow H^{i-2}(H \cap U, \mathcal{F}|_{H \cap U}) \rightarrow H^i(U, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow H^i(U', \mathcal{F}') \rightarrow H^{i-1}(H \cap U, \mathcal{F}|_{H \cap U}) \rightarrow \dots$$

The assumption implies that $H^i(H \cap U, \mathcal{F}|_{H \cap U}) = 0$ for $i > -1$.

Continue this process (since $H \cap U$ is also affine)

\Rightarrow For a generic codim k section H

$$H^i(H \cap U, \mathcal{F}|_{H \cap U}) = 0 \text{ for } i > -k.$$

When $\text{codim } H = \dim X$ $H \cap X$ are just finitely many points

$$\Rightarrow \text{for any } x \in H \cap X \quad H^i(\mathcal{F}_x) = 0 \text{ for } i > -n.$$

The proof goes by induction.

Let S be a stratum in the stratification.

The above argument proves the support condition for S when $\dim S = \dim X$.

Let us assume that the claim holds for $\dim S > k$.

Now assume $\dim S = k$. Take a generic slice H s.t. $H \cap S$ are just finitely many points ($\text{codim } H = k$)

$$H \cap (U \setminus S) \xrightarrow{j} H \cap U \xleftarrow{i} H \cap S$$

$$\dots \rightarrow H^i(H \cap U, j_! \mathcal{F}|_{H \cap (U \setminus S)}) \rightarrow H^i(H \cap U, \mathcal{F}|_{H \cap U}) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{x \in H \cap S} H^i(\mathcal{F}_x) \rightarrow \dots$$

" for $i > -k$ " for $i > -k \rightarrow$ since $H \cap U$ is affine

since $j_! \mathcal{F}|_{H \cap (U \setminus S)} \in {}^P D^{\leq -k}(H \cap U)$ by induction.

and H is generic

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