

The Derived Category of Coherent Sheaves on P^n

Reminder: V is a vector space / k of dim $n+1$

$$PV^* = \text{Proj}(\text{Sym}^* V^*), \quad V = \Gamma(PV, \mathcal{O}(1))$$

Given a graded module M^* over $\text{Sym}^* V$:

Get (1) A sheaf $\tilde{F}_M$ on PV (quasi-coherent — coherent if M^* is f.g.)

$$\text{via } \hat{\tilde{F}}_M(PV^* \setminus V(t)) = (M^*_t)_0$$

(2) A sheaf on $\text{Spec}(\text{Sym}^* V) \cong A^{n+1} \setminus \{0\}$ w/ an

equivariant G_m action, e.g. for

$$t \in G_m(k), (x_0, \dots, x_n) \in A^{n+1}(T), f \in \Gamma(T, \mathcal{O}(1)) = \Gamma(T, \mathcal{O}^* \tilde{F}_0)$$

$$t \cdot f = t^n f \text{ — equivariance}$$

$$t \cdot ((x_0, \dots, x_n) f) = (t \cdot (x_0, \dots, x_n)) (t \cdot f)$$

(This is the same as a graded module! $M_n := \{f \mid t \cdot f = t^n f\}$)

$$\text{To go back: } \hat{\tilde{F}} \mapsto \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \Gamma(PV^*, \hat{\tilde{F}}(n))$$

Geometric picture:

$$G_m \curvearrowright \hat{A}^1 \xrightarrow{\sim} \tilde{F}_M$$

$$G_m \curvearrowright A^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow PV$$

(Note (1) ignores stuff supported at the irrelevant ideal).

Thus (re-formulate):

Let $\mathcal{C} \subset \text{Sym}^* V\text{-mod}$ consist of those modules s.t. every

elt. is annihilated by some power of the irrelevant ideal (V) . Then

$$\tilde{F}_- : \text{Sym}^* V\text{-mod} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}\text{Coh}(P^n) \text{ is an equivalence.}$$

localize at morphism f w/ $\ker f, \text{coker } f \in \mathcal{C}$

$$\tilde{F}_- : \text{f.g. Sym}^* V\text{-mod} \rightarrow \text{Coh}(P^n) \text{ restricts to an equivalence as well.}$$

Rem Analogue for any graded (multi-graded) v.g.

Reminder (Derived Category):

Start w/ an Abelian category A (R -mod, $\mathcal{O}_X$ -mod, $\mathcal{S}$ -sheaves on X , etc.)
 $Ch^{\#}(A)$ is also an Abelian category (objects: chain complexes, morphisms: chain maps)

$\#$ is some decoration (bdd above or below, etc.)

$K^{\#}(A)$ - same objects, morphisms are chain maps / homotopies
 (triangulated category now!)

$D^{\#}(A)$ - localize $K^{\#}(A)$ or $Ch^{\#}(A)$ at quasi-isomorphisms.
 (hard! explain why)

We are interested in $D_{Coh}^b(P^n)$ - e.g. bdd complexes of $\mathcal{O}_X$ -modules
 w/ coherent cohomology.

Want to describe it as $K^{\#}(A)$ for some A - more computable

Will actually do this for two different A - $Sym^* V$ and $\Lambda^* V$ -mod.

Cohomological preliminaries:

$$Hom(\mathcal{O}(i), \mathcal{O}(j)) = H^0(P^n, \mathcal{O}(j-i)) = Sym^{j-i} V$$

$$Ext^l(\mathcal{O}(i), \mathcal{O}(j)) = H^l(P^n, \mathcal{O}(j-i)) = 0, \quad -n \leq i, j \leq 0$$

(composition given by multiplication in $Sym^* V$)

Reminder (Euler exact sequence + relatives)

$$\text{Want SES: } 0 \rightarrow \Omega^i(i) \rightarrow \Lambda^i V \otimes \mathcal{O}_{P^n} \rightarrow \Omega^{i-1}(i) \rightarrow 0$$

$$i=1 - \text{want } 0 \rightarrow \Omega^1(1) \rightarrow V \otimes \mathcal{O}_{P^n} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{P^n}(1) \rightarrow 0$$

Consider:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Lambda^{n+1} \mathcal{O}_{P^n} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{P^n} & \rightarrow & \mathcal{O}_{P^n} \\ \downarrow \pi^* & & \\ 0 \rightarrow \pi^* \Omega_{P^n} & \rightarrow & \Omega_{\Lambda^{n+1} \mathcal{O}_{P^n}} \rightarrow \Omega_{\Lambda^{n+1} \mathcal{O}_{P^n} / \mathcal{O}_{P^n}} \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

Under the natural correspondence between $\mathcal{O}_n$ -sheaves on $\Lambda^{n+1} \mathcal{O}$ and
 sheaves on PV , gives isom.

General case:

Have $0 \rightarrow \Omega^i(1) \rightarrow V \otimes \mathcal{O}_{P^n} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{P^n}(1) \rightarrow 0$. Applying $\Lambda^i(-)$

get $0 \rightarrow \Omega^i(1) \rightarrow \Lambda^i(V) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{P^n} \rightarrow \Omega^{i-1}(1) \rightarrow 0$

(b/c get filtration w/ associated graded

$$\bigoplus_{p+q=i} \Lambda^p(\Omega^i(1)) \otimes \Lambda^q(\mathcal{O}_{P^n}(1)) - \text{non zero only for}$$

$p=i, q=0 \rightsquigarrow \Omega^i(1)$
 $p=i-1, q=1 \rightsquigarrow \Omega^{i-1}(1)$

Cor $\text{Hom}(\Omega^i(1), \Omega^j(1)) = \Lambda^{i-j}(V^*)$

$\ell \geq 1$ $\text{Ext}^\ell(\Omega^i(1), \Omega^j(1)) = 0$

Pf. Induction. $(j=0, i=0) \checkmark$, (also: $\text{Hom}(\Omega^i(1), \Omega^j(1)) = 0$ |

~~General case:~~

$\text{Ext}, \text{etc. etc.}$

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\Omega^{i-1}(1), \mathcal{O}) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\Lambda^{i-1}(V^*), \mathcal{O}) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\Omega^i(1), \mathcal{O}) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(\Omega^{i-1}(1), \mathcal{O})$$

$\Lambda^i(V^*)$

...

□

Now can state the theorem. If A^* is a graded algebra let

$A^*[i]$ be the graded free A^* -module w/ a generator in degree i .

Let ~~$A^{[0,n]}$~~ $A^{[0,n]}$ -mod be the category of finite direct sums of $A^*[i]$ for $0 \leq i \leq n$.

Let $K^b(A^{[0,n]} \text{-mod})$ be the homy category of bdd complexes of objects in $A^{[0,n]} \text{-mod}$.

Let $K_\Lambda = K^b(\Lambda^*(V^*)^{[0,n]} \text{-mod})$

$K_S = K^b(\text{Sym}^* V^{[0,n]} \text{-mod})$

Thm (Beilinson)

Let $F_\Lambda: K_\Lambda \rightarrow D_{\text{coh}}^b(P^n)$ send $\Lambda^i V[i] \rightsquigarrow \Omega^i(1)$

$F_S: K_S \rightarrow D_{\text{coh}}^b(P^n)$ send $\text{Sym}^i V[i] \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{O}(i)$

and extend in the obvious way. Then

F_Λ, F_S are equivalences of categories.

Lemma Let C, D be triangulated categories and $F: C \rightarrow D$ an exact functor. Suppose $\{X_i\}$ generate C , $\{F(X_i)\}$ generate D , and $F: \text{Hom}(X_i, X_j) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}(F(X_i), F(X_j))$ is an iso for all i, j . Then F is an equivalence.

So, want to show $\mathcal{O}(-i) \ 0 \leq i \leq n$
 $\Omega^i(1) \ 0 \leq i \leq n$
 generate $D_{\text{Ch}}^b(\mathbb{P}^n)$.

Reminder: Koszul Resolution.

Local situation:

$I \subset R$, $(x_1, \dots, x_n) = I$ a regular sequence of generators
 (e.g. x_i is not a zero divisor in $R/(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1})$).

Want to resolve R/I . Induction on generators:

$K_{x_1}^0: 0 \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{x_1} R \rightarrow 0$ is a resolution of R/x_1

$K_{x_1}^0 \otimes K_{x_2}^0: \text{Tot} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{x_1} R \rightarrow 0 \\ \downarrow x_2 \quad \downarrow x_2 \\ 0 \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{x_1} R \rightarrow 0 \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ 0 \quad 0 \end{pmatrix}: 0 \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}} R \oplus R \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} x_2 & -x_1 \end{pmatrix}} R \rightarrow 0$
 is a resolution of $R/(x_1, x_2)$

etc. (Rem. Ext iff $x_1, \dots, x_n$ is regular, otherwise computer local cohomology).

Global Situation: $\mathcal{E}$ is a vector bundle, $f \in \Gamma(X, \mathcal{E})$,
 want a resolution of $\mathcal{O}_X V(f)$, by vector bundles:

$\dots \rightarrow \Lambda^3 \mathcal{E}^* \rightarrow \Lambda^2 \mathcal{E}^* \xrightarrow{\text{cup}} \mathcal{E}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow 0$ ~~$\mathcal{E}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow 0$~~
 (In the local situation $\mathcal{E} = R^n$, $f = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$).

I claim the diagonal of $P^n \times P^n$ is cut out by a natural section
to $p_1^* \mathcal{O}(1) \otimes p_2^* T_{P^n}(-1)$.

(In coordinates, this section is
 $\sum_i x_i \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i}$.)

Indeed, pulling back the Euler exact sequence in two
different ways, we have:

$$0 \rightarrow p_1^* \Omega^1(1) \rightarrow V \otimes \mathcal{O}_{P^n \times P^n} \rightarrow p_1^* \mathcal{O}_{P^n}(1) \rightarrow 0$$

$$0 \rightarrow p_2^* \Omega^1(1) \rightarrow V \otimes \mathcal{O}_{P^n \times P^n} \rightarrow p_2^* \mathcal{O}_{P^n}(1) \rightarrow 0$$

We may splice these sequences together to get a sequence,

$$0 \rightarrow p_2^* \Omega^1(1) \rightarrow V \otimes \mathcal{O}_{P^n \times P^n} \rightarrow p_1^* \mathcal{O}_{P^n}(1) \rightarrow 0$$

↑
exact

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exact only on $\Delta_{P^n \times P^n}$

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exact

This composite map is the canonical action of $\text{Hom}(p_2^* \Omega^1(1), p_1^* \mathcal{O}_{P^n}(1))$

$$\Gamma(P^n \times P^n, p_1^* \mathcal{O}(1) \otimes p_2^* T_{P^n}(-1))$$

The Koszul resolution now gives:

$$K_\Delta^\bullet: \dots \rightarrow p_1^* \mathcal{O}(3) \otimes p_2^* \Omega^2(3) \rightarrow p_1^* \mathcal{O}(2) \otimes p_2^* \Omega^2(2) \rightarrow p_1^* \mathcal{O}(1) \otimes p_2^* \Omega^2(1) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{P^n \times P^n} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_\Delta \rightarrow 0$$

Will use this to construct a complex whose objects are direct sums
of $\mathcal{O}(-i)$, $0 \leq i \leq n$, quasi-is to any $X^\bullet$ or alternatively
a cpx whose objects are direct sums of $\Omega^i(1)$, quasi-is to
any $X^\bullet$.

I'll do the latter — the former will be identical.

Consider X in $D^b(P^n)$. Then

$K_S^\bullet \otimes L p_2^*(X) (\approx K_S^\bullet \otimes p_2^*(X))$ by flatness of p_2 , is a resolution of $p_2^* X$ and belongs to the full subcategory generated by stuff of the form $p_1^*(\Omega^i(i)) \otimes p_2^*(Y)$.

Then by the projection formula,

$$X = R p_{1*} (K_S^\bullet \otimes L p_2^* X) \approx R p_{1*} (\mathcal{O}_S \otimes L p_2^* X) \quad \text{using } p_1^* p_2^* X \otimes \mathcal{O}_S$$

But applying the projection formula termwise, this is a complex made up of objects of the form

$$\Omega^i(i) \otimes R\Gamma(Y), \text{ namely direct sum of } \Omega^i(i). \quad \square$$

Let's make this more explicit, when X is a vector bundle.

unnecessary bc X is flat w/ respect to them.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} (K_S^\bullet \otimes L p_2^* X) & \rightarrow & p_1^*(\Omega^2(2)) \otimes p_2^*(X(-2)) & \rightarrow & p_1^*(\Omega^1(1)) \otimes p_2^*(X(-1)) & \rightarrow & p_1^*(X) \otimes p_2^*(\mathcal{O}_S) \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ & & \mathcal{Q}_2 & \rightarrow & \mathcal{Q}_1 & \rightarrow & \mathcal{Q}_0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ & & R p_{2*} & & R p_{2*} & & R p_{2*} \end{array}$$

unnecessary as p_1^ is flat*

$$\text{Tot} \left(\cdots \rightarrow R p_{2*} \mathcal{Q}_2 \rightarrow R p_{2*} \mathcal{Q}_1 \rightarrow R p_{2*} \mathcal{Q}_0 \rightarrow 0 \right)$$

$$E_1, p_{1*} \rightarrow H^0(X(-2)) \otimes \Omega^2(2) \rightarrow H^0(X(-1)) \otimes \Omega^1(1) \rightarrow H^0(X) \otimes \mathcal{O} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\cdots \rightarrow H^1(X(-2)) \otimes \Omega^2(2) \rightarrow H^1(X(-1)) \otimes \Omega^1(1) \rightarrow H^1(X) \otimes \mathcal{O} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\cdots \rightarrow H^2(X(-2)) \otimes \Omega^2(2) \rightarrow H^2(X(-1)) \otimes \Omega^1(1) \rightarrow H^2(X) \otimes \mathcal{O} \rightarrow 0$$

Remarks (1) (Annick, Ottaviani) Glue together differentials from different levels of the SS, we get a canonical ~~map~~ complex of sheaves of $\Omega^i(i)$ at each y

$$C_0^y \rightarrow C_1^y \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow C_i^y \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow C_n^y \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{from } d_y^i, \text{ where } d_y^i = \partial$$

(1) This is called a "monad" (remark on etymology),

compute

(2) The equivalence $K_A \approx D_{\text{coh}}^b(\mathbb{P}^n) \approx K_S$ is not obvious!

This is the beginning of the BGG correspondence.

Useful for computer algebra (b/c $\Lambda^i V$ is finite length!)

(See Eisenbud-Schreyer)

(3) Kapranov and others (e.g. Daniel Loughlin at Berkeley) have generalized some of this to e.g. Grassmannians and other varieties.

(4) Useful for studying moduli of vector bundles (bundles) by parametrizing resolutions or monads (e.g. Matrix factorizations) (inspiration for previous talk).