

Some technical stuff

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1 Derived completion

Let $K \in \mathbf{D}(A)$ and $f \in A$. We denote $T(K, f)$ the derived limit of the system

$$\cdots \rightarrow K \xrightarrow{f} K \xrightarrow{f} K$$

Lemma 1.1. *The following are equivalent*

1. $\mathrm{Ext}_A^n(A_f, K) = 0$ for all n ,
2. $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{D}(A)}(E, K) = 0$ for all E in $\mathbf{D}(A_f)$,
3. $T(K, f) = 0$,
4. for every $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ we have $T(H^p(K), f) = 0$,
5. for every $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ we have $\mathrm{Hom}_A(A_f, H^p(K)) = 0$ and $\mathrm{Ext}_A^1(A_f, H^p(K)) = 0$,
6. $R\mathrm{Hom}_A(A_f, K) = 0$,
7. the map $\prod_{n \geq 0} K \rightarrow \prod_{n \geq 0} K$ sending (x_0, x_1, \dots) to $(x_0 - fx_1, x_1 - fx_2, \dots)$ is an isomorphism in $\mathbf{D}(A)$.

Proof. Since $\mathrm{Ext}_A^n(A_f, K) = \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{D}(A)}(A_f, K[n]) = \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{D}(A)}(A_f[-n], K)$, we clearly have that 2) implies 1). And since $\mathrm{Ext}_A^n(A_f, K) = H^n(R\mathrm{Hom}_A(A_f, K))$, the equivalence between 1) and 6) is clear. Assume condition 1) and let I^\bullet be a K -injective complex of A -modules representing K . By definition of $R\mathrm{Hom}$, condition 6) \Leftrightarrow 1) signifies that the complex $\mathrm{Hom}_A(A_f, I^\bullet)$ is acyclic. Now for an element $E \in \mathbf{D}(A_f)$, let M^\bullet be a complex of A_f -modules representing E . Then

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{D}(A)}(E, K) = \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(A)}(M^\bullet, I^\bullet) = \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(A_f)}(M^\bullet, \mathrm{Hom}_A(A_f, I^\bullet))$$

As $\mathrm{Hom}_A(A_f, I^\bullet)$ is a K -injective complex of A_f -modules (the above equation proves that), the fact that it is acyclic implies that it is homotopy equivalent to 0. Therefore $\mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{K}(A_f)}(M^\bullet, \mathrm{Hom}_A(A_f, I^\bullet)) = 0$ which proves 2).

Consider the following free resolution of A_f as an A -module

$$0 \rightarrow \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A \rightarrow \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A \rightarrow A_f \rightarrow 0$$

where the first map sends (a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots) to $(a_0, a_1 - fa_0, a_2 - fa_1, \dots)$ and the second map sends (a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots) to $a_0 + a_1/f + a_2/f^2 + \dots$. Applying $\mathrm{Hom}_A(-, I^\bullet)$, we get

$$0 \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_A(A_f, I^\bullet) \rightarrow \prod I^\bullet \rightarrow \prod I^\bullet \rightarrow 0$$

Since $\prod I^\bullet$ represents $\prod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} K$ this proves the equivalence of 1) and 7). Moreover, by definition of the derived limit, the above exact sequence shows that $T(K, f)$ is a representative of $R\mathrm{Hom}_A(A_f, K)$ in $\mathbf{D}(A)$. This gives the equivalence of 1) and 3).

We have a spectral sequence (I think this is just the spectral sequence that computes the cohomology of the Hom-bicomplex)

$$E_2^{p,q} = \mathrm{Ext}_A^q(A_f, H^p(K)) \Rightarrow \mathrm{Ext}_A^{p+q}(A_f, K)$$

It degenerates at E_2 since A_f has a projective resolution of length 1 (the above free resolution) and so there are only two non-zero rows ($q = 0, 1$), which gives us the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathrm{Ext}_A^1(A_f, H^{p-1}(K)) \rightarrow \mathrm{Ext}_A^p(A_f, K) \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_A(A_f, H^p(K)) \rightarrow 0$$

This shows that 4) and 5) are equivalent to 1). \square

Lemma 1.2. *Let $I \subset A$ be an ideal and M be an A -module.*

1. *If M is I -adically complete, then $T(M, f) = 0$ for every $f \in I$*
2. *If $T(M, f) = 0$ for every $f \in I$, and I is finitely generated, then the map $M \rightarrow \varprojlim M/I^n M$ is surjective*

Proof. 1) assume that M is p -adically complete. By 5. of lemma 1.1, it suffices to prove that $\mathrm{Ext}_A(A_f, M) = 0$ and $\mathrm{Hom}_A(A_f, M) = 0$. But

$$\mathrm{Hom}_A(A_f, M) = \mathrm{Hom}_A(A_f, \varprojlim M/I^n M) = \varprojlim \mathrm{Hom}_A(A_f, M/I^n M) = 0$$

since for every $n \geq 1$, $\mathrm{Hom}_A(A_f, M/I^n M) = 0$.

Now since Ext^1 characterises extensions, we need to show that every extension

$$0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow E \rightarrow A_f \rightarrow 0$$

is split. So for each $n \geq 1$, select a $e_n \in E$ mapping to $1/f^n$, and set $\delta_n = fe_{n+1} - e_n \in M$. So the element

$$e'_n = e_n + \delta_n + f\delta_{n+1} + f^2\delta_{n+2} + \dots$$

exists since M is f -adically complete and maps to $1/f^n$. Since $e'_n = fe^{n+1}$, we can define a splitting sending $1/f^n$ to e'_n .

2) Assume that $I = (f_1, \dots, f_r)$ and that $T(M, f_i) = 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, r$. One easily shows that if $M \rightarrow \varprojlim M/f_i^n M$ is surjective for every f_i , then $M \rightarrow \varprojlim M/I^n M$ is surjective. So we can assume that $I = (f)$ and that $T(M, f) = 0$.

Consider some $x_n \in M$ for $n \geq 0$ and the extension

$$0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow E \rightarrow A_f \rightarrow 0$$

where $E = (M \oplus \bigoplus Ae_n) / \langle x_n - fe_{n+1} + e_n \rangle$. Again by 5. of lemma 1.1, this extension is split, so we obtain an element that we can write $x + e_0$ ($x \in M$) that generates a copy of A_f in E $x + e_0 = x - x_0 + fe_1 = x - x_0 - fx_1 + f^2e_2 = \dots$. By the snake lemma, we have $M/f^n M = E/f^n E$ and since $x + e_0 \in f^n E$, we get that $x = x_0 + fx_1 + \dots + f^{n-1}x_{n-1} \pmod{f^n M}$. Which shows the surjectivity of the desired map. \square

Definition 1.3. Let I be an ideal of A and $K \in \mathbf{D}(A)$. We say that K is derived complete with respect to I if for every $f \in I$ we have $T(K, f) = 0$. We denote by $\mathbf{D}_{\text{comp}}(A) = \mathbf{D}_{\text{comp}}(A, I)$ the full subcategory of $\mathbf{D}(A)$ consisting of derived complete objects with respect to I .

If M is an A -module, we say that M is derived complete with respect to I if $M[0] \in \mathbf{D}(A)$ is derived complete with respect to I .

Corollary 1.4. *If the ideal $I \subset A$ is finitely generated, and M is an A -module, then the following are equivalent*

1. M is I -adically complete,
2. M is derived complete with respect to I and I -adically separated

Proof. Direct consequence of 1.2. □

Proposition 1.5. *Let I be a finitely generated ideal of a ring A . The inclusion functor $\mathbf{D}_{\text{comp}}(A, I) \rightarrow \mathbf{D}(A)$ has a left adjoint, i.e, there exist a map sending any object K of $\mathbf{D}(A)$ to a derived complete object K^\wedge of $\mathbf{D}(A)$ such that the map*

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathbf{D}(A)}(K^\wedge, E) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbf{D}(A)}(K, E)$$

is a bijection whenever E is derived complete. In fact, if A is generated by $f_1, \dots, f_r \in A$, we have

$$K^\wedge = R\text{Hom}\left((A \rightarrow \prod_{i_0} A_{f_{i_0}} \rightarrow \prod_{i_0 < i_1} A_{f_{i_0}, f_{i_1}} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A_{f_1, \dots, f_r}), K\right)$$

Proof. Let K^\wedge be defined as above. Then the map of complexes

$$(A \rightarrow \prod_{i_0} A_{f_{i_0}} \rightarrow \prod_{i_0 < i_1} A_{f_{i_0}, f_{i_1}} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A_{f_1, \dots, f_r}) \rightarrow A$$

induces a map $K \rightarrow K^\wedge$. It suffices to show that K^\wedge is derived complete and that $K \rightarrow K^\wedge$ is an isomorphism if K is derived complete.

Let $f \in A$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} R\text{Hom}_A(A_f, K^\wedge) &= R\text{Hom}\left(A_f, R\text{Hom}\left((A \rightarrow \prod_{i_0} A_{f_{i_0}} \rightarrow \prod_{i_0 < i_1} A_{f_{i_0}, f_{i_1}} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A_{f_1, \dots, f_r}), K\right)\right) \\ &= R\text{Hom}\left(A_f \otimes_A^\mathbb{L} (A \rightarrow \prod_{i_0} A_{f_{i_0}} \rightarrow \prod_{i_0 < i_1} A_{f_{i_0}, f_{i_1}} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A_{f_1, \dots, f_r}), K\right) \\ &= R\text{Hom}\left((A_f \rightarrow \prod_{i_0} A_{ff_{i_0}} \rightarrow \prod_{i_0 < i_1} A_{ff_{i_0}, f_{i_1}} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A_{ff_1, \dots, f_r}), K\right) \end{aligned}$$

The last equality is true by looking at the definition of the derived tensor product and noticing that the complex $(A \rightarrow \prod_{i_0} A_{f_{i_0}} \rightarrow \prod_{i_0 < i_1} A_{f_{i_0}, f_{i_1}} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A_{f_1, \dots, f_r})$ is K -flat (every element of the complex is a flat A -module).

Now for $f \in I$, the complex

$$(A_f \rightarrow \prod_{i_0} A_{ff_{i_0}} \rightarrow \prod_{i_0 < i_1} A_{ff_{i_0}, f_{i_1}} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A_{ff_1, \dots, f_r})$$

is 0 in $\mathbf{D}(A)$ by corollary 3.4. Hence $R\text{Hom}_A(A_f, K^\wedge) = 0$, so K^\wedge is derived complete by lemma 1.1.

Conversely, by the same lemma 1.1, we have $R\text{Hom}_A(A_f, K) = 0$ for each $f = f_{i_0} \cdots f_{i_p}$, hence $K \rightarrow K^\wedge$ is an isomorphism in $\mathbf{D}(A)$. □

Lemma 1.6. *Let $I \subset A$ be an ideal and let (K_n) be an inverse system of objects of $\mathbf{D}(A)$ such that for all $f \in I$, there exist $e = e(n, f)$ such that f^e is zero on K_n . Then for $K \in \mathbf{D}(A)$, the object $K' = K \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} K_n$ is derived complete with respect to I .*

Proof. The category of derived complete objects being preserved under $R\lim$, it suffices to show that each $K \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} K_n$ is derived complete. But by assumption, for all $f \in I$, there exist e such that f^e is zero in $K \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} K_n$. Hence $T(K \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} K_n, f) = 0$. \square

1.1 Some useful facts in the principal case

In this subsection, we assume that $I = (f)$ for some $f \in A$. One can prove -I am definitely not doing that here but it is just technical- that in this case, we have

$$K^\wedge = R\lim (K \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} (A \xrightarrow{f^n} A))$$

At least one can see directly from lemma 1.6 that this object is derived complete.

Lemma 1.7. *Let $f \in A$. If there exist an integer $c \geq 1$ such that $A[f^c] = A[f^{c+1}] = \dots$, then for all $n \geq 1$, there exist maps*

$$(A \xrightarrow{f^n} A) \rightarrow A/f^n, \quad \text{and} \quad A/(f^{n+c}) \rightarrow (A \xrightarrow{f^n} A)$$

in $\mathbf{D}(A)$ inducing an isomorphism of the pro-objects $\{A/f^n A\}$ and $\{(A \xrightarrow{f^n} A)\}$ in $\mathbf{D}(A)$.

Proof. The first map is given by the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} \dots & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & A & \xrightarrow{f^n} & A & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & \dots \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\ \dots & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & A & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & \dots \end{array}$$

For the second arrow, first we define a map

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} \dots & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & A/A[f^c] & \xrightarrow{f^{n+c}} & A & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & \dots \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow f^c & & \downarrow \text{id} & & \downarrow & & \\ \dots & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & A & \xrightarrow{f^n} & A & \longrightarrow & 0 & \longrightarrow & \dots \end{array}$$

But since the arrow $A/A[f^c] \xrightarrow{f^{n+c}} A$ is injective, the first row is quasi-isomorphic to $A/f^{n+c} A$ which gives the second map. \square

Lemma 1.8. *Let A be a ring and $f \in \mathbb{A}$. We have the naive derived completion $K \mapsto K' = R\lim(K \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A/f^n A)$ and $K \mapsto K^\wedge = R\lim(K \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} (A \xrightarrow{f^n} A))$. The natural transformation $K^\wedge \mapsto K'$ is an isomorphism if and only if the f -power torsion of A is bounded.*

Proof. We won't need the only if part, so we will only prove the if part. But by lemma 1.7, the pro-objects $\{A/f^n A\}$ and $\{(A \xrightarrow{f^n} A)\}$ are isomorphic. The result follows from lemma 091B (Stack project). \square

2 p -complete flatness

Definition 2.1. Given $a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$, we say that $M \in \mathbf{D}(A)$ has Tor amplitude $[a, b]$ if for any A -module N , we have $M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} N \in \mathbf{D}^{[a, b]}(A)$. If $a = b$, we say that M has Tor amplitude concentrated in degree a .

Definition 2.2. Fix $M \in \mathbf{D}(A)$ and $a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$.

- We say that M has p -complete Tor amplitude $\in [a, b]$ if $M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A/pA \in \mathbf{D}(A/pA)$ has Tor amplitude concentrated in $[a, b]$. If $a = b$, we say that $M \in \mathbf{D}(A)$ has p -complete Tor amplitude concentrated in degree a .
- We say that M is p -completely (faithfully) flat if $M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A/pA \in \mathbf{D}(A/pA)$ is concentrated in degree 0 and is a (faithfully) flat A/pA -module.

Note that $M \in \mathbf{D}(A)$ having Tor amplitude concentrated in degree 0 just means that M is concentrated in degree 0 and is a flat A -module.

Therefore $M \in \mathbf{D}(A)$ is p -completely flat if and only if it has p -complete Tor amplitude concentrated in degree 0.

Remark 2.3. One can replace in the definition A/pA by $A/p^n A$ for every $n \geq 1$ without changing its meaning.

Indeed, suppose that we have an extension of rings $R \rightarrow S$ with $S = R/I$ for an ideal I such that $I^2 = 0$ (I is canonically an S -module). Then $M \in \mathbf{D}(R)$ has tor amplitude in $[a, b]$ if and only if $M \otimes_R^{\mathbb{L}} S \in \mathbf{D}(S)$ has tor amplitude in $[a, b]$.

The only if part, is just a consequence of the stability of the tor amplitude under base change. And for the if part, consider the exact triangle $I \rightarrow R \rightarrow S$. Applying $M \otimes_R^{\mathbb{L}} -$ gives an exact triangle

$$(M \otimes_R^{\mathbb{L}} S) \otimes_S^{\mathbb{L}} I \rightarrow M \rightarrow M \otimes_R^{\mathbb{L}} S$$

The leftmost term is in $\mathbf{D}^{[a, b]}(R)$ so tensoring with an R -module N we get an object of $\mathbf{D}^{[a, b]}(R)$. Also by hypothesis we have $(M \otimes_R^{\mathbb{L}} S) \otimes_R^{\mathbb{L}} N = (M \otimes_R^{\mathbb{L}} S) \otimes_S^{\mathbb{L}} (N \otimes_R^{\mathbb{L}} S) \in \mathbf{D}^{[a, b]}(R)$. Therefore $M \otimes_R^{\mathbb{L}} N \in \mathbf{D}^{[a, b]}(R)$.

Lemma 2.4. Fix $M \in \mathbf{D}(A)$ and $a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$. Let $\widehat{M} \in \mathbf{D}(A)$ be the derived p -completion of M . The following are equivalent

1. M has p -complete Tor amplitude in $[a, b]$ (resp. is p -completely (faithfully) flat)
2. \widehat{M} has p -complete Tor amplitude in $[a, b]$ (resp. is p -completely (faithfully) flat)

Proof. The map $M \mapsto \widehat{M}$ induces an isomorphism $M \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\mathbb{L}} \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \cong \widehat{M} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\mathbb{L}} \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$. Indeed, we have for every $N \in \mathbf{D}(A)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{D}(A)}(\widehat{M} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\mathbb{L}} \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}, N) &\cong \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{D}(A)}(\widehat{M} \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\mathbb{L}} A), N) \\ &\cong \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{D}(A)}(\widehat{M}, R\mathrm{Hom}_A(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\mathbb{L}} A, N)) \end{aligned}$$

$R\mathrm{Hom}_A(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\mathbb{L}} A, N)$ can easily be seen to be derived p -complete (use 2. of lemma 1.1). Hence by proposition 1.5, we get that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{D}(A)}(M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}, N) &\cong \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{D}(A)}(\widehat{M}, R\mathrm{Hom}_A(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\mathbb{L}} A, N)) \\ &\cong \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{D}(A)}(M \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\mathbb{L}} \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}, N) \end{aligned}$$

which shows the claim.

Now notice that we have $A \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\mathbb{L}} \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} = (\cdots \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{p} A \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \cdots)$ is quasi-isomorphic to $(\cdots \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow A[p] \xrightarrow{0} A/pA \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \cdots)$. This induces an isomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A/pA \oplus M[1] \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A[p] &\cong M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} (A \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\mathbb{L}} \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) \\ &\cong M \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\mathbb{L}} \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \\ &\cong \widehat{M} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\mathbb{L}} \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \\ &\cong \widehat{M} \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A/pA \oplus \widehat{M}[1] \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A[p] \end{aligned}$$

Since the morphism induced from $M \rightarrow \widehat{M}$ by $-\otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} (A \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\mathbb{L}} \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})$ respects the summands, we get that $M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A/pA \cong \widehat{M} \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A/pA$, which gives the result. \square

Lemma 2.5. *Let $A \rightarrow B$ be a map of rings, $M \in \mathbf{D}(A)$ and $a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \cap \{\infty\}$.*

1. *If $M \in \mathbf{D}(A)$ has p -complete Tor amplitude in $[a, b]$ (resp. p -completely (faithfully) flat), then the same holds true for $M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} B \in \mathbf{D}(B)$.*
2. *If $A \rightarrow B$ is p -completely faithfully flat, then the converse of 1. holds true.*

Proof. This is immediate from the discrete case. \square

Lemma 2.6. *Suppose that A has p^∞ -torsion and let $M \in \mathbf{D}(A)$ be derived p -complete with p -complete tor amplitude in $[a, b]$, $a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$. Then $M \in \mathbf{D}^{[a, b]}(A)$.*

Proof. By lemma 1.8, M is the derived limit of $M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A/p^n A$. But by remark 2.3, all $M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A/p^n A \in \mathbf{D}^{[a, b]}(A/p^n A)$. Looking at the long exact sequence of cohomology from the exact triangle

$$M \rightarrow \prod_n M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A/p^n A \rightarrow \prod_n M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A/p^n A$$

and noticing that the maps on the highest degree $H^b(M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A/p^n A)$ are surjective, we get that $M \in \mathbf{D}^{[a, b]}(A)$. \square

Lemma 2.7. *Suppose that A has bounded p^∞ -torsion.*

1. *If $M \in \mathbf{D}(A)$ is derived p -complete and p -completely flat then it is a classically p -complete A -module concentrated in degree 0, with bounded p^∞ -torsion, such that $M/p^n M$ is flat over $A/p^n A$ for every $n \geq 1$. Moreover, for every $n \geq 1$, the map*

$$M \otimes_A A[p^n] \rightarrow M[p^n]$$

is an isomorphism.

2. *Conversely, if N is a classically p -adically complete A -module with bounded p^∞ -torsion such that $N/p^n N$ is flat over $A/p^n A$ for all $n \geq 1$, then $N[0] \in \mathbf{D}(A)$ is p -completely flat.*

Proof. 1) Lemma 2.6 implies that M is concentrated in degree 0. The condition that M is p -completely flat implies that $M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A/p^n A$ is a flat $A/p^n A$ -module for all $n \geq 1$. But

$$\begin{aligned} M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A/p^n A &= M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} (\cdots \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{p^n} A \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \cdots) = (\cdots \rightarrow M \xrightarrow{p^n} M \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \cdots) \\ &\cong (\cdots \rightarrow M/p^n M \rightarrow \cdots) \in \mathbf{D}^{[0, 0]}(A/p^n A) \end{aligned}$$

So $M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A/p^n A = M/p^n M$ is a flat $A/p^n A$ -module for all $n \geq 1$. Moreover, by lemma 1.8, M is the limit of $M \otimes_A^{\mathbb{L}} A/p^n A = M/p^n M$ so it is classically p -complete. \square

Corollary 2.8. *Let $A \rightarrow B$ be a map of derived p -complete rings.*

1. *If A has bounded p^∞ -torsion and $A \rightarrow B$ is p -completely flat, then B has bounded p^∞ -torsion.*
2. *Conversely, if B has bounded p^∞ -torsion and $A \rightarrow B$ is p -completely faithfully flat, then A has bounded p^∞ -torsion.*
3. *Assume that A and B both have bounded p^∞ -torsion. Then the map $A \rightarrow B$ is p -completely flat (resp. p -completely faithfully flat) if and only if $A/p^n \rightarrow B/p^n B$ is flat (resp. faithfully flat) for all $n \geq 1$.*

3 Appendix

3.1 The Koszul Complex

Definition 3.1. Let R be a ring, E an R -module and $\varphi : E \rightarrow R$ an R -module map. We define the Koszul complex $\mathbf{K}_\bullet(\varphi)$ to be the commutative differential graded algebra verifying

1. the underlying graded algebra is the exterior algebra $\wedge(E)$
2. the derivation $d : \mathbf{K}_\bullet(\varphi) \rightarrow \mathbf{K}_\bullet(\varphi)$ is the unique derivation such that $d(e) = \varphi(e)$ for all $e \in E = \mathbf{K}_1(\varphi)$

If $e_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge e_n$ is one of the generators of degree n in $\mathbf{K}_\bullet(\varphi)$, then

$$d(e_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge e_n) = \sum_i (-1)^{i+1} \varphi(e_i) e_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \widehat{e_i} \wedge \cdots \wedge e_n$$

If $f_1, \dots, f_n \in R$, the Koszul complex on f_1, \dots, f_n , denoted by $\mathbf{K}_\bullet(f_\bullet)$ is the Koszul complex associated to the map $(f_1, \dots, f_r) : R^r \rightarrow R$.

Lemma 3.2. *Let $e \in E$ and $f = \varphi(e) \in R$. Then we have*

$$f = de + ed$$

as endomorphisms of $\mathbf{K}_\bullet(\varphi)$.

In particular, multiplication by f_i is homotopic to zero on $\mathbf{K}_\bullet(f_\bullet)$. So the homology module $H_i(\mathbf{K}_\bullet(f_\bullet))$ are annihilated by (f_1, \dots, f_r)

Proof. We have $d(ea) = d(e)a - ed(a) = fa - ed(a)$. □

Lemma 3.3. *The alternating Cech complex*

$$R \rightarrow \prod_{i_0} R_{f_{i_0}} \rightarrow \prod_{i_0 < i_1} R_{f_{i_0}, f_{i_1}} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow R_{f_1 \dots f_r}$$

is the colimit of the Koszul complexes $\mathbf{K}_\bullet(f_\bullet^n)$.

Proof. The transition maps $\mathbf{K}_\bullet(f_\bullet^n) \rightarrow \mathbf{K}_\bullet(f_\bullet^{n+1})$ send $e_{i_0} \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{i_p}$ to $f_{i_0} \dots f_{i_p} e_{i_0} \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{i_p}$. Hence by sending each Koszul complex to the complex $R \rightarrow \prod_{i_0} R \rightarrow \prod_{i_0 < i_1} R \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow R$ (the obvious map), we get the result by noticing that $R_g = \text{colim}(\cdots \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{g} R \xrightarrow{g} R)$. □

Corollary 3.4. *If $(f_1, \dots, f_r) = R$ then the alternating Cech complex is acyclic.*

Proof. This combines lemma 3.2 and 3.3. □