

Topologies on affine schemes.

Recall a morphism $f: T \rightarrow S$ is called flat if B is flat as an A -module, where $T = \text{Spec } B$ and $S = \text{Spec } A$, i.e.

- (i) $H^0(B)$ is a flat $H^0(A)$ -module. &
- (ii) $\forall i \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$\text{Hom}_A(H^i(B), H^j(A)) \cong H^i(A) \otimes_{H^0(A)} H^j(B).$$

$$(i, ii)' \quad \forall i \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad \forall M \in \text{Mod}_A \quad \begin{matrix} H^i(A) \\ H^0(A) \end{matrix} \otimes_{H^0(A)} H^i(M) \xrightarrow{\cong} H^i(M).$$

$$\text{QD (ii)''} \quad N \in \text{Mod}_A^\heartsuit \Rightarrow B \otimes N \in \text{Mod}_B^\heartsuit.$$

Notice if $f: S' \rightarrow S$ is flat and $S \in {}^{\text{et}}\text{Sch}^{\text{aff}}$, then.

$$H^i(\mathcal{O}_{S'}) \cong H^i(\mathcal{O}_S) \otimes_{H^0(\mathcal{O}_S)} H^0(\mathcal{O}_{S'}) \Rightarrow S' \in {}^{\text{et}}\text{Sch}^{\text{aff}}.$$

Exercise: $f: S' \rightarrow S$ is flat $\Leftrightarrow \forall n \geq 0 \quad \mathcal{Z}^{\text{et}}(f): {}^{\text{et}}S \rightarrow {}^{\text{et}}S'$ is flat.

Def'n: A morphism $f: S' \rightarrow S$ of affine schemes is:

- flat at finite presentation (ffp) if: f is flat & $f^{\text{op}}: {}^{\text{op}}S \rightarrow {}^{\text{op}}S'$ is of finite presentation;
- smooth if: f is flat & f^{op} is smooth;
- étale if: f is flat & f^{op} is étale;
(i.e. f^{op} smooth & $\mathcal{R}^{\text{op}}_{H^0(B)/H^0(A)} = 0$).
- open embedding if: f is flat & f^{op} is an open embedding;
- Zariski if: f is flat & f^{op} is a disjoint union of open embeddings.

The following says that the étale site does not depend on the derived structure of an affine scheme.

Prop: $\text{Sch}^{\text{aff}}_{/\text{as}} \rightarrow \text{Sch}^{\text{aff}}_{/\text{des}}$ gives an equivalence between
 $(S' \rightarrow S) \mapsto S' \times_S S \rightarrow S$

The subcategories of $S' \rightarrow S$ étale & $S'_0 \rightarrow S$ étale.

Moreover, f is an open embedding (2.) $\Leftrightarrow f_0$ is an open embedding (2.).

Idea of argument: (i) For each $n \geq 0$, established

$$\text{Sch}^{\text{aff}}_{\text{étale in } \mathbb{S}^{(n+1)}_S} \rightarrow \text{Sch}^{\text{aff}}_{\text{étale in } S^n_S}$$

$$(S'_{n+1} \rightarrow S^{(n+1)}_S) \leftrightarrow S'_{n+1} \times_{S^{(n+1)}_S} S^n_S \text{ is an equivalence.}$$

(ii) deformation theory describe $\{S'_{n+1} \in \text{Sch}^{\text{aff}} \mid \text{an}(S'_{n+1}) \simeq S'_n\}$ is equivalent to $\{S^n\text{-zero extensions of } S'_n\}$ by $I \in \text{QCoh}(S'_n)^{\heartsuit}[\text{ctrl}]$ & $\text{Hom}(T^*S'_n, I[1])$. Then étale has consequences to $T^*S'_n$.

Def'n: A morphism $f: S' \rightarrow S$ is a flat (ppf, ppsmooth, étale, Zariski) covering if f is — & $f^*: \mathcal{O}_S \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{S'}$ is surjective.

These properties have the usual behaviour with respect to base change and are local when expected to be so.

- pullback of flat is flat ; - $f: S' \rightarrow S$ a map & $S'' \rightarrow S$ sm. et. sm. a cover, then $f'': S'_x S'' \rightarrow S''$ flat/sm. / (but not Zariski) $\Rightarrow f$ is the same.
- $g: S' \rightarrow S$ being flat, ppf, sm., et, Zar. is local w.r.t. flat topology on S' .

Def'n: A map $f: \mathcal{X}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_2$ of prestacks is affine schematic, if for every $S \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_2$, $S \in \text{Sch}^{\text{aff}}$, $S \times_{\mathcal{X}_2} \mathcal{X}_1 \xrightarrow{\exists \text{ aff}} S$ is an affine scheme.

- f is flat (ppf, smooth, étale, open embedding, Zariski), if f is affine schematic & for every S the induced map $\mathcal{X}_1 \times_S S \rightarrow S$ is so.

Rescent condition & stacks.

Notation: given a map $S' \rightarrow S$ the Čech nerve is the simplicial object.

$$(S'/S): \Delta^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Sch}^{\text{aff}}$$

pictured as:

$$\dots \underset{S}{\equiv} S' \times_S S' \underset{S}{\equiv} S' \rightarrow S' .$$

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Def'n: A prestack \mathcal{X} satisfy flat (ppt, etale, sm, etc.) descent if for every flat covering $S' \rightarrow S$, the canonical morphism

$$\mathcal{X}(S) \xrightarrow{\sim} \lim_{\Delta^{\text{op}}} (\mathcal{X}(S')) = \mathcal{X}(S' \times_S S') \underset{\text{!}}{\equiv} \dots .$$

Tot($\mathcal{X}(S'/S)$).

We let Stk denote the category of prestack that satisfy etale descent.

Rk: One could choose other topologies, but there is a sense in which this is the most general choice.

Ats Lemma: The natural inclusion $\text{Stk} \hookrightarrow \text{PStk}$ has a left adjoint, i.e. sheafification. Moreover, L is left exact, i.e. commutes w/ finite limits.

Idea: L is obtained by inverting etale equivalences, i.e. $f: \mathcal{X}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_2$ in PStk s.t. $H_{\text{PStk}}(X_2, Y) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_{\text{PStk}}(X_1, Y)$. $\forall Y \in \text{Stk}$.

Notation: [GR-I] have the practice of considering all objects as prestacks, even stacks. So they denote by L the composite: $\text{PStk} \xrightarrow{L} \text{Stk} \hookrightarrow \text{PStk}$. We might do the same.

Example: The functor $\text{QGr}^*(-): (\text{Sch}^{\text{aff}})^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Cat}^{\text{st}}$ satisfies flat descent, i.e.

For $A \rightarrow A'$ flat,

$$\text{Mod}_A \xrightarrow{\sim} \lim_{\Delta^{\text{op}}} (\text{Mod}_{A'} \underset{\text{Mod}_{A'}}{\equiv} \text{Mod}_{A''} \underset{\text{Mod}_{A''}}{\equiv} \dots) .$$

Idea: (i) reduce the statement to $\text{Mod}_A^{\leq 0}$, use Baer-Bock-Lurie theorem. and prove its conditions by hand.

(ii) $\lim_{n \in \mathbb{N}^0} (\mathbf{Mod}_{A' \otimes_A^n})$ has a t -structure.

$\mathbf{Mod}_A \leftrightarrow \lim_{\Delta^{\text{op}}} \mathbf{Mod}_{(A'/A)}$ is t -exact.

reduce to ~~Believe~~ a statement about the heart of the t -structure, which is the usual statement.

Proposition (Sanity check): $\mathbf{Sch}^{\text{aff}} \hookrightarrow \mathbf{PStk}$ factors through \mathbf{Stk}

Idea: let $T \in \mathbf{Sch}^{\text{aff}}$ & $S' \rightarrow S$ be an étale covering.
we have a map:

$$T(S) \rightarrow T(S') \Rightarrow T(S'_x S') \equiv \dots$$

$$(\Delta) \quad \mathbf{Maps}(S, T) \rightarrow \mathbf{Maps}(S', T) \equiv \mathbf{Maps}(S'_x S', T) \equiv \dots$$

Let $T = \text{Spec } B$, $S = \text{Spec } A$, $S' = \text{Spec } A'$, (Δ) corresponds to:

$$\underset{\mathbf{CAlg}}{\mathbf{Hom}}(B, A) \rightarrow \underset{\mathbf{CAlg}}{\mathbf{Hom}}(B, A') \equiv \underset{\mathbf{CAlg}}{\mathbf{Hom}}(B, A' \otimes_A A') \equiv \dots$$

$$\text{Tot}(\underset{\mathbf{CAlg}}{\mathbf{Hom}}(B, A' \otimes_A A')) \simeq \underset{\mathbf{CAlg}}{\mathbf{Hom}}(B, \text{Tot}(A'/A)). \simeq \underset{\mathbf{CAlg}}{\mathbf{Hom}}(B, A). \text{ as required.}$$

Now $\mathbf{CAlg} \xrightarrow{\text{oblv}} \mathbf{Vect}$ preserves limits.

Since $A \rightarrow A'$ is also flat, flat descent $\Rightarrow \text{Tot}(A'/A)^\circ = A$.

RK: The operation $L: \mathbf{PStk} \rightarrow \mathbf{Stk} \hookrightarrow \mathbf{PStk}$ sometimes is hard to control.

There ~~is~~ is one concept which helps with understanding it, we might not need it, but I will include it for completeness.

Def'n: A morphism $f: X_1 \rightarrow X_2$ in \mathbf{PStk} is an étale surjection if $\forall x_2 \in X_2, \exists \phi: S' \rightarrow S$ étale s.t.

$\phi^*(x_2): S' \rightarrow X_2$ belongs to the essential image of

$$f(S'): X_1(S') \rightarrow X_2(S').$$

Here is an example of how this notion is used.

Prop: Let $X_1 \rightarrow X_2$ be an étale surjection, then

$|X_1/X_2|_{\text{PStk}} \rightarrow X_2$ is an étale equivalence, i.e.

$$|L(X_1/X_2)|_{\text{Stk}} = |L(X_1)/L(X_2)|_{\text{Stk}} = L(|X_1/X_2|_{\text{PStk}}) \rightarrow L(X_2)$$

by \curvearrowleft \curvearrowright is an equivalence.
def'n.

Cor: If $f: X_1 \rightarrow X_2$ in PStk is affine schematic (flat, ppf, smooth, etale, open embedding)
then so is $L(f): L(X_1) \rightarrow L(X_2)$.

Conditions on stacks.

Q: How does descent relate to the conditions of n -coconnective, connective, left, left & k -truncated?

We will discuss the n -coconnective condition, and leave the others for the interested reader to look into it.

Let ${}^{<n}\text{Stk} := \left\{ \mathcal{X} \in {}^{<n}\text{PStk} := \text{Fun}(({}^{<n}\text{Sch}^{\text{aff}})^{\text{op}}, \text{Spc}) \mid \mathcal{X} \text{ satisfy } \begin{array}{l} \text{étale} \\ \text{descent w.r.t. } {}^{<n}\text{Sch}^{\text{aff}} \end{array} \text{ on } \mathcal{X} \right\}$.

${}^{<n}L: {}^{<n}\text{PStk} \rightarrow {}^{<n}\text{Stk} \rightarrow {}^{<n}\text{PStk}$ the sheafification.

Rk: Assume $\mathcal{X} \in {}^{<n}\text{PStk}$ is k -truncated, then

$${}^{<n}L\mathcal{X} \simeq \mathcal{X}^{+^{(k+1)}}, \text{ where.}$$

$$\mathcal{X}^+(S) := \lim_{\substack{\text{colim} \\ S' \rightarrow S \text{ / étale} \\ \text{over}}} \text{Tot}(\mathcal{X}(S'/S)).$$

In particular, ${}^{<n}L\mathcal{X}$ is k -truncated if \mathcal{X} is k -truncated.

Rk 2: If \mathcal{X} is connective, it might be tricky to say if $L\mathcal{E}$ is connective.
 However, if $\mathcal{X} \in \text{Stk}$ then \mathcal{X} , i.e. the connective prestack associated
 to \mathcal{X} is a stack.

Notice: $L\mathcal{E} : {}^n \text{PStk} \rightarrow \text{PStk}$ does not send
 ${}^n \text{Stk}$ to Stk . (trying to commute totalizations w/ arbitrary colimit.)

Def'n: A stack $\mathcal{X} \in \text{Stk}$ is n-connective if the ~~map~~
~~map:~~
 $L\mathcal{E} (\mathcal{X}) \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ is an ~~also~~ equivalence.
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$L\mathcal{E}$ ~~classical~~ ~~is classical~~
 In particular, from $\mathcal{S}\text{ch}^\text{aff}$ a ~~derived~~ stack, i.e. 0-connective is not recovered
 simply by $L\mathcal{E}$ via $\mathcal{S}\text{ch}^\text{aff} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{S}\text{ch}^\text{aff}$, one also
 has to sheafify in derived aff. schemes the result.

But n-connective prestack + stack \Rightarrow n-connective stack.

E.g. $P' \in {}^n \text{Stk}$ is an etale sheaf, unclear $L\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{S}\text{ch}^\text{aff} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{S}\text{ch}^\text{aff}}(P')$ satisfy descent.

Similar subtleties happen for the finite type condition. See § 2.7 in Chapter 2 [GR-I].

Example: Let $\bar{T} = \text{Spec } B \in \mathcal{S}\text{ch}^\text{aff}$, we know $\bar{T} \in \text{Stk}$ by Prop. above.

Q: When is \bar{T} a 0-connective ^{pre}stack? $S = \text{Spec } A$, $S_0 = \text{Spec } A_0$

Consider $L\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{S}\text{ch}^\text{aff} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{S}\text{ch}^\text{aff}}(\bar{T})(S) = \underset{S \rightarrow S_0}{\text{colim}} \underset{\text{Maps}(S_0, T)}{\text{colim}} \underset{\text{A}_0 - A}{\text{Hom}}(\bar{T}, A) = \underset{\text{A}_0 - A}{\text{colim}} \underset{\text{A}_0 \in \mathcal{A}/\text{disc.}}{\text{Hom}}(\bar{T}, A)$.

$$\simeq \underset{\text{A}_0 - A}{\text{colim}} \underset{\mathcal{A}/\text{disc.}}{\text{Hom}}(B, A).$$

Now, any $A \in \mathcal{A}/\text{disc.}$ is a sifted colimit of discrete algebras (by its presentation as SCR).

So if B is a compact & projective object of \mathcal{CAlg} , then

$\text{Spec } B$ is 0-connective.

FACT: $B \in \mathcal{CAlg}$ is compact & projective iff B is a retract of $S_{\gamma_n}^{\text{Vect}}(M)$ for $M \cong k^{\oplus n}$ for some $n \geq 0$, where.

$\mathcal{CAlg} \xrightleftharpoons[\text{oblv.}]{\text{Sym}}$ Vect is the left adjoint to forgetful functor.

Tool: General fact about (presentable) ∞ -categories:

$G: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ if G preserves limits, sifted colimits & is conservative.

then (i) $\exists (F, G)$

(ii) F takes compact proj. objects to compact proj. objects.

(iii) $\{D_\alpha\}$ a set of gen. than $\{F(D_\alpha)\}$ a set of cpt. proj. gen.

(iv) \mathcal{D} proj. gen. $\Rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ proj. gen.

FACT 2: All of the above hold for oblv.

In our example, let $\mathcal{CAlg}_0 = \text{cat. gen. by } \text{Sym}^{[k]}(k)$ under colimits.

$\mathcal{CAlg}_0 \hookrightarrow \mathcal{CAlg}$ has a right adjoint U .

Claim: U is an equivalence, i.e. $U(A) \xrightarrow{A} \otimes A$ is an isom. enough to check $\text{oblv}(U(A)) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{oblv}(A)$ is an isom.

Or $\text{Hom}_{\text{Vect}}(k, \text{oblv}_0(U(A))) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{CAlg}}(S_{\gamma_n}(k), U(A))$

$\text{Hom}_{\text{Vect}}(k, \text{oblv}(A)) \xleftarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{CAlg}}(S_{\gamma_n}(k), A).$

is an eq. but $\text{oblv}_0(U(A)) \cong \text{oblv}(A)$. So this is clear!