

MOTIVIC SHEAVES

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Plan:

- L1: Motivation, construction, examples.
- L2: Six-functor formalism.
- L3: Motivic t -structures and weight structures.
- L4: ∞ -categorical methods.

§1. MOTIVATION FROM GRT AND COHOMOLOGY

1.1. Cohomology and sheaves for representation theory

Lecture 1

Question: How do you construct interesting representations?

Answer:

- 1) Find interesting actions.
- 2) Linearize them.

Example 1.1.1. — Let K be a compact Lie group. The action of K on itself gives us an action of K on $L^2(K)$ with respect to a Haar measure. The Peter-Weyl theorem says that

$$L^2(K) \simeq \bigoplus_{\pi \text{ unitary}} \pi^{\oplus \dim(\pi)}.$$

“Lie theory \subset algebraic geometry”. Reductive groups are algebraic groups with many associated varieties with group actions: flag varieties...

The linearizations we consider in this course are the many types of cohomology theories.

Example 1.1.2 (Borel-Weil-Bott). — Let $T \subset B \subset G$ be a reductive group over \mathbf{C} . Let $\lambda \in X^\vee(T)$ such that there exists $w \in W$ with $w * \lambda = w(\lambda + \rho) - \rho > 0$ (where $\rho = (1/2) \sum_{\alpha \in \Phi^+} \alpha$). Then

$$R\Gamma(G/B, L_\lambda) \simeq \pi_{w*\lambda}[-\ell(w)]$$

where $\ell(w)$ is the length of w .

Cohomology fits in the wider context of sheaf theory. If T is a locally contractible topological space, then

$$H_{\text{sing}}^n(T, \mathbb{Z}) \simeq H^n(T, \mathbb{Z}_T) \simeq R^n(\pi_T)_*(\mathbb{Z}_T)$$

where π_T is the morphism $\pi_T : T \rightarrow \text{pt}$ with

$$R\pi_{T*} : D(T, \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow D(\mathbb{Z}) \simeq D(*, \mathbb{Z}).$$

Cohomology (singular with \mathbb{Q} -coefficients) of algebraic varieties over \mathbf{C} is *very* special.

- There is a weight filtration.
- There is a mixed hodge structure.

Sheaves on complex algebraic varieties are also very special:

- Perverse sheaves;
- Decomposition theorem;
- Mixed Hodge modules.

This leads to great success stories in GRT:

- Springer theory;
- Kazhdan-Lustig theory;
- geometric Satake...

1.2. From sheaves to motivic sheaves There are situations which can't be directly studied using these tools:

- Representation theory of reductive groups over other fields/rings/schemes.
- Modular/integral representation theory.
- q -deformations, quantum groups, canonical bases.

These can be attacked using:

- l -adic sheaves,
- sheaves cohomology with \mathbb{Z} -coefficients,
- K -theory.

Motivic sheaves will give us a unified perspective.

Motivic dream: There should exist universal cohomology/sheaf theories such that

- 1) they unify and “explain” the special structure in cohomology/sheaves;
- 2) they are of algebro-geometric nature;
- 3) they “explain” the realization of algebraic cycles and algebraic K -theory.

§2. CONSTRUCTION OF $DA^{\text{ét}}$ AND SH (MOREL-VOEVODSKY)

2.1. Triangulated categories and localization

Definition. — A **triangulated category** is the data:

- an additive category C ,
- an automorphism $\Sigma = (-)[1] : C \xrightarrow{\sim} C$,
- a collection of distinguished triangles

$$A \longrightarrow B \longrightarrow C \longrightarrow A[1].$$

The data satisfies the following conditions:

- shifted distinguished triangles are distinguished up to isomorphism,
- for all $f : A \rightarrow B$ there exists

$$A \xrightarrow{f} B \longrightarrow \text{Cone}(f) \xrightarrow{+}$$

unique up to isomorphism and functorial,

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$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} A & \longrightarrow & B & \longrightarrow & C & \longrightarrow & A[1] \\ \simeq \downarrow f & & \simeq \downarrow g & & \downarrow & & \simeq \downarrow f[1] \\ A' & \longrightarrow & B' & \longrightarrow & C' & \longrightarrow & A'[1] \end{array}$$

- (??)

Example 2.1.1. — Let A be an abelian category, $\text{Ch}(A)$ be the abelian category of chain complexes in A . We define $(A[1])_n = A_{n-1}$. Given $f : A_{\bullet} \rightarrow B_{\bullet}$ the mapping cone is given by

$$\text{Cone}(f)_n = A_{n-1} \oplus B_n, \quad d_n = \begin{pmatrix} -d_{n-1}^A & 0 \\ f & d_n^B \end{pmatrix}.$$

Definition. — $f : A_{\bullet} \rightarrow B_{\bullet}$ is a **quasi-isomorphism** if for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, the map $H_n(A_{\bullet}) \simeq H_n(B_{\bullet})$ is an isomorphism.

Definition. — $D(A)$ is defined as the localization of $\text{Ch}(A)$ by quasi-isomorphisms.

Now we consider reflexive localizations (1-categorical ones lead to triangulated and ∞ -categorical ones).

Definition. — Let C be a 1-category.

- 1) $C' \subset C$ is **reflexive** if $\iota : C' \rightarrow C$ has a left adjoint.
- 2) $L_W : C \rightarrow C[W^{-1}]$ is **reflexive** if L_W has a right adjoint.

Lemma 2.1.1 (Reflexive subcategories are the same thing as reflexive localizations). —

a) Let $C' \subset C$ be reflexive, $L : C \rightarrow C'$ be the left adjoint to ι . Define

$$W_L = \{f : L(f) \text{ is an isomorphism}\}.$$

Then $C' \simeq C[W_L^{-1}]$ and $L \simeq L_{W_L}$.

b) If L is a reflexive localization, then its right adjoint ι is fully faithful and $\iota : C[W^{-1}] \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{EssIm}(\iota) \subset C$.

Definition. — Let $S \subset C$ be a collection of morphisms.

a) $A \in C$ is **S -local** if for all $f : B \rightarrow C$ in S

$$\text{Hom}_C(C, A) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_C(B, A).$$

b) $f : B \rightarrow C$ is an **S -equivalence** if for all S -local A

$$\text{Hom}_C(C, A) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_C(B, A).$$

Lemma 2.1.2. — If $L : C \rightleftarrows C' : \iota$ is a reflexive localization, W_L as before, then

- ι gives an isomorphism between C' and W_L -local objects.
- W_L are the W_L -equivalences.

Definition. — Let D be a triangulated category with all small products.

- Let κ be a regular cardinal (for example $\kappa = \aleph_0$). Then $A \in D$ is **κ -small**/ **κ -compact** if and only if

$$\text{colim}_{\substack{I' \subset I \\ |I'| < \kappa}} \text{Hom} \left(A, \bigoplus_{I'} B_i \right) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom} \left(A, \bigoplus_I B_i \right).$$

- **Compact** means \aleph_0 -small. A is compact if and only if

$$\bigoplus_I \text{Hom}(A, B_i) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom} \left(A, \bigoplus_I B_i \right).$$

- D is **presentable**/**well-generated** if and only if there exist κ and a set $S \subset D$ of κ -small objects which generate D :

$$\forall B \in D, (\forall A \in S, \text{Hom}(A, B) = 0) \implies B = 0.$$

- D is **compactly generated** if it is \aleph_0 -presentable.

Definition. — $E \subset D$ is **localizing** if it is

- triangulated,
- stable under coproducts,
- thick (stable under subobjects and subquotients).

Theorem 2.1.1 (Adjoint Functor Theorem). — Let D, D' be triangulated categories with all coproducts, $F : D \rightarrow D'$ be a triangulated functor and D be presentable. Then F admits a right adjoint if and only if F preserves all coproducts.

Corollary 2.1.1 (Verdier Localization). — Let D be a presentable category and E be a localizing subcategory. Define

$$D/E = D[W_E^{-1}], \quad W_E = \{f : \text{Cone}(f) \in E\}.$$

Then $D \rightarrow D/E$ is a reflexive localization.

Let $S \subset D$ be a subset of objects, then $\langle\langle S \rangle\rangle$ is the smallest subcategory containing S such that $D / \langle\langle S \rangle\rangle$ is a reflexive localization.

Let's get some inspiration from Betti homology, i.e. singular homology on complex algebraic varieties. Let $X \in \text{Var}_C^{(f,t)}$, then we get

$$C_*^{\text{sing}}(X(C), \mathbb{Z}) \in D(\mathbb{Z}).$$

This comes with some data:

- (a) • $D(\mathbb{Z})$ has a symmetric monoidal structure: $\otimes^{\mathbb{Z}}$,
 • (Künneth) $C_*(X \times Y) \simeq C_*(X) \otimes^{\mathbb{Z}} C_*(Y)$.

which satisfies properties:

- (b) (\mathbb{A}^1 -homotopy invariance) $C_*(X \times \mathbb{A}^1) \xrightarrow{\sim} C_*(X)$ ($(\mathbb{A}^1)^{\text{an}} = \mathbf{C}$ is contractible).
 (c') (Mayer-Vietoris sequence) Let $X = U \cup V$ be a Zariski cover, then

$$C_*(U \cap V) \longrightarrow C_*(U) \oplus C_*(V) \longrightarrow C_*(X) \xrightarrow{\partial} C_*(U \cap V)[1].$$

- (c) (Étale descent) Let $U \rightarrow X$ be étale surjective. Define

$$\check{C}_n(U/X) = U^{n+1}.$$

Then $\check{C}_\bullet(U/X)$ is a simplicial scheme, so $C_*(\check{C}_\bullet(U/X))$ is a simplicial complex of abelian groups and $C(C_*(\check{C}_\bullet(U/X)))$ is a double complex. (??)

Concretely we have a descent spectral sequence which gives us $(U = U \cup V)$ Mayer Vietoris.

- (d) (\mathbb{P}^1 -stabilization)

$$\begin{aligned} C_*(\mathbb{P}_{\mathbf{C}}^1) &\simeq C_*(\text{pt}) \oplus \tilde{C}_*(\mathbb{P}_{\mathbf{C}}^1) \\ &\simeq \mathbb{Z}[0] \oplus \mathbb{Z}(1)[2]. \end{aligned}$$

$\mathbb{Z}(1)$ is \oplus -invertible.

Smooth varieties play a special role:

- Poincaré duality
- Gysin sequences
- $C_*(-)$ also satisfies “ h -descent”, so $C_*(-)$ is “determined” by $C_*(-)_{|(\mathbb{A}^1)}$.

There is an associated sheaf theory:

$$D_B(-) : \text{Var}_{\mathbf{C}} \longrightarrow \text{TriCat}^{\otimes}, \quad X \longmapsto D_B(X) = D(\text{Sh}(X^{\text{an}}, \mathbb{Z})).$$

Sketch of $\text{DA}^{\text{ét}}$: Let S be a base scheme.

- Start with

$$\begin{cases} D(\text{PSh}(\text{Sm}_S, \mathbb{Z})) = D_{\text{PSh}}(S) \\ \mathbb{Z}[-] : \text{Sm}_S \rightarrow D_{\text{PSh}}(S) \end{cases}.$$

- Impose \mathbb{A}^1 -invariance, étale descent, and \mathbb{P}^1 -stability. This will give us $\text{DA}^{\text{ét}}(S, \mathbb{Z})$ and $M_S(-) : \text{Sm}_S \rightarrow \text{DA}^{\text{ét}}(S, \mathbb{Z})$.

The surprise is that the result satisfies many *other* properties of singular (co)homology and derived categories of sheaves on complex varieties which can largely be packaged into the six-functor formalism. The result is closely related to algebraic cycles/higher Chow groups and algebraic K -theory.

Lecture 2

(Fill in H_* from the recall part)

Let S be a qcqs scheme, Λ be a coefficient ring. Define

$$\begin{cases} D_{\text{PSh}}(S) := D(\text{PSh}(\text{Sm}_S, \Lambda)) \text{ a presentable, symmetric monoidal, triangulated category} \\ \Lambda[\cdot] : \text{Sm}_S \rightarrow D_{\text{PSh}}(S) \end{cases}$$

Étale descent:

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\text{ét}}(S) &:= D(\text{Sh}_{\text{ét}}(\text{Sm}_S, \Lambda)) \\ &= D_{\text{PSh}}(S)[W_{\text{ét}}^{-1}] \end{aligned}$$

where $W_{\text{ét}}$ are étale-local weak equivalences, i.e. $(f : K_\bullet \rightarrow L_\bullet) \in W_{\text{ét}}$ if for all n we have

$$(\cdot)_{\text{ét}} H_n(K_\bullet) \xrightarrow{\sim} (\cdot)_{\text{ét}} H_n(L_\bullet).$$

\mathbb{A}^1 -invariance Let

$$I_{\mathbb{A}^1, (\text{ét})} = \{ \dots \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow \Lambda_{(\text{ét})}[X \times \mathbb{A}^1] \longrightarrow \Lambda_{(\text{ét})}[X] \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow \dots \mid X \in \text{Sm}_S \}.$$

Define

$$D_{\mathbb{A}^1}(S) := D_{\text{PSh}}(S) / \langle\langle I_{\mathbb{A}^1} \rangle\rangle = D_{\text{PSh}}(S)[W_{\mathbb{A}^1}^{-1}].$$

We have

$$L_{\mathbb{A}^1} : D_{\text{PSh}}(S) \longrightarrow D_{\text{PSh}}(S)^{\mathbb{A}^1\text{-loc}} \hookrightarrow D_{\text{PSh}}(S).?$$

with the middle term isomorphic to $D_{\mathbb{A}^1}(S)$.

Definition. — Define

$$\Delta_{\text{alg},S}^n := \text{Spec}_S (\mathcal{O}_S[X_0, \dots, X_n] / (\sum x_i - 1)) \simeq \mathbb{A}_S^n$$

then $\Delta_{\text{alg},S}^\bullet$ is a cosimplicial scheme over S .

Definition (Suslin-Voevodsky). — Define

$$\text{Sing}^{\mathbb{A}^1}(K_\bullet) = \text{hocolim}_{\Delta^{\text{op}}} K_\bullet(\Delta_{\text{alg},S}^\bullet \times_S X)$$

Example 2.1.2. — Let $F \in \text{PSh}$ then

$$\text{Sing}^{\mathbb{A}^1}(F)(U) = \left[\dots \longrightarrow F(\Delta^2 \times U) \longrightarrow F(\mathbb{A}^{(?)}) \times U \xrightarrow{i_0^* - i_1^*} F(U) \longrightarrow 0 \right].$$

Proposition 2.1.1. — $L_{\mathbb{A}^1} \simeq \text{Sing}^{\mathbb{A}^1}$.

Proof. The idea is to use

$$\begin{aligned} m : \mathbb{A}^1 \times \mathbb{A}^1 &\longrightarrow \mathbb{A}^1 \\ (x, y) &\longmapsto xy \end{aligned}$$

to prove

- a) $\text{Sing}^{\mathbb{A}^1}(K_\bullet)$ is \mathbb{A}^1 -local.
- b) $\text{Sing}^{\mathbb{A}^1}(K_\bullet) \rightarrow K_\bullet$ is \mathbb{A}^1 -weak equivalence.

□

Definition. — The category of **effective étale motivic sheaves** on S is

$$\text{DA}^{\text{ét,eff}}(S, \Lambda) := D_{\text{ét}}(S) / \langle\langle I_{\mathbb{A}^1, \text{ét}} \rangle\rangle.$$

Write $L_{\text{mot}}^{\text{eff}}$ for the associated localization functor.

Lemma 2.1.3. — We have

$$L_{\text{mot}}^{\text{eff}} = \underbrace{\dots \text{Sing}^{\mathbb{A}^1} L_{\text{ét}} \text{Sing}^{\mathbb{A}^1}}_{\text{transfinite composition} \dots}$$

Definition. — Let $X \in \text{Sm}_S$. Define

$$M_S^{\text{ét,eff}}(X) := L_{\text{mot}}^{\text{eff}} \Lambda_{\text{ét}}[X] \in \text{DA}^{\text{ét,eff}}(S, \Lambda)$$

(effective étale (? homological) motive/motivic sheaf of ?).

We have

$$M_S^{\text{ét,eff}}(X \times_S Y) \simeq M_S^{\text{ét,eff}}(X) \otimes M_S^{\text{ét,eff}}(Y).$$

Proposition 2.1.2 (Artin-Shreier $+\Lambda \left[\frac{1}{p} \right]$). — Let S be a \mathbf{F}_p -scheme, then

$$\text{DA}^{\text{ét,eff}}(S, \Lambda) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{DA}^{\text{ét,eff}}\left(S, \Lambda \left[\frac{1}{p} \right]\right).$$

Proof. We have the short-exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \Lambda/p\Lambda \longrightarrow \mathbb{G}_a \otimes \Lambda \xrightarrow{\text{Fr} - \text{id}} \mathbb{G}_a \longrightarrow 0$$

and hence an exact sequence

$$\Lambda_{\text{ét}}[\mathbb{G}_a] \otimes (\mathbb{G}_a \otimes \Lambda) \xrightarrow{a_{\mathbb{G}_a} \otimes \text{id}} \mathbb{G}_a \otimes \mathbb{G}_a \otimes \Lambda \xrightarrow{m} \mathbb{G}_a \otimes \Lambda.$$

(Some remark??) Thus

$$L_{\mathbb{A}^1}(\mathbb{G}_a \otimes \Lambda) \simeq \Lambda(0)$$

and so

$$L_{\text{mot}}^{\text{eff}}(\Gamma/p\Gamma) = 0.$$

□

\mathbb{P}^1 -stabilization: Let $x \in X(S)$, we have

$$M_S^{\text{eff}}(X) = \Lambda_S(0) \oplus M_S^{\text{eff}}(X, x).$$

Definition. — We define

$$T := M_S^{\text{eff}}(\mathbb{P}^1, 1)[-2]$$

which is equal to $\Lambda(?)$.

Exercise. — Any $x \in \mathbb{P}_S^1(S)$ gives the same decomposition.

We have a problem: T is not \oplus -invertible.

Definition. — The category of étale motivic sheaves over S is

$$\text{DA}^{\text{ét}}(S, \Lambda) := \text{DA}^{\text{ét,eff}}(S, \Lambda)[T^{\otimes -1}].$$

This is not a proper definition since we have not explained the construction. It's not clear what this means!

Spectra:

Definition. — Let \mathcal{C} be a closed, symmetric monoidal 1-category and T be an object of \mathcal{C} . A T -prespectrum is

$$A = \{(A_n, \sigma_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mid A_n \in \mathcal{C}, \sigma_n : T \otimes A_n \longrightarrow A_{n+1}\}.$$

A is a T -spectrum if for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$A_n \xrightarrow{\sim} \underline{\text{Hom}}(T, A_{n+1}).$$

We write $\text{PSp}_T(\mathcal{C})$ and $\text{Sp}_T(\mathcal{C})$ for the T -prespectrum and T -spectrum respectively.

The evaluation map

$$\text{Ev}_n(A) = A_n$$

has a left adjoint. We define

$$\text{Sus}^n(A)_m = \begin{cases} \emptyset & \text{if } m < n \\ T^{\otimes(m-n)} \otimes A & \text{if } m > n \end{cases}$$

and $\Sigma_T^\infty := \text{Sus}^0$ is the ∞ -suspension functor.

Proposition 2.1.3. — Assume \mathcal{C} is presentably, symmetrical monoidal. Then $\text{Sp}_T(\mathcal{C}) \subset \text{PSp}_T(\mathcal{C})$ is a reflexive subcategory. W_{st} is generated by

$$\left\{ \text{Sus}^{n+1}(T \otimes A) \longrightarrow \text{Sus}^n(A) : n \in \mathbb{N}, A \in \mathcal{C} \right\}.$$

Definition. — We define

$$\text{DA}^{\text{ét}}(S, \Lambda) := \text{Sp}_T \text{DA}^{\text{eff,ét}}(S, \Lambda).$$

(This definition is correct “with ∞ -categories”.) We have

$$\begin{aligned} M_S : \text{Sm}_S &\longrightarrow \text{DA}^{\text{ét}}(S, \Lambda) \\ X &\longmapsto L_{(\mathbb{A}^1, \text{ét}, ?)} \Sigma_T^\infty M_S^{\text{ét,eff}}(X). \end{aligned}$$

Remark. — $M \in \text{DA}^{\text{ét}}(S, \Lambda)$ is isomotphic to a stable $(\mathbb{A}^1, \text{ét})$ -local (??)

$$K_n \in \text{Ch}(\text{Sh}_{\text{ét}}(\text{Sm}_S, \Lambda)) + \sigma_n = \Lambda_{\text{ét}}[\mathbb{P}^1, 1] \otimes K_n \longrightarrow K_{n+1}$$

such that for all $X \in \text{Sm}_S, i \in \mathbb{Z}$

- $H_{\text{ét}}^i(X, K_n) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_{\text{ét}}^i(X \times_S \mathbb{A}^1, K_n)$
- $H_{\text{ét}}^i(X, K_n) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_{\text{ét}}^{i+2}(X \times_S (\mathbb{P}^1, 1), K_{n+1}).$

2.2. Constructible motivic sheaves

Definition. — We define **constructible motivic sheaves**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{DA}_{\mathrm{ct}}^{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}} &= \langle M_S(X)(-n) \mid X \in \mathrm{Sm}_S, n \in \mathbb{N} \rangle^{\mathrm{d.f.}} \\ &\subset \mathrm{DA}^{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(S, \Lambda). \end{aligned}$$

and **locally constructible motivic sheaves**

$$\mathrm{DA}_{\mathrm{lct}}^{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(S, \Lambda) := \{M \mid \exists e : U \twoheadrightarrow S, e^* M \in \mathrm{DA}_{\mathrm{ct}}^{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}\}.$$

There is a Betti realization for S finite type over \mathbb{C}

$$R_B : \mathrm{DA}^{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(S, \Lambda) \longrightarrow D(S^{\mathrm{an}}, \Lambda)$$

by the existence of relative homology and the universal property. If $X \in \mathrm{Sm}_S$

$$R_B(M_S(X)) \simeq H_*^{\mathrm{sing}}(X/S)$$

and

$$R_B(\mathrm{DA}_{\mathrm{lct}}^{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(S, \Lambda) \subset D_{\mathrm{ct}}^b(S^{\mathrm{an}}, \Lambda).$$

Another deep property is the *rigidity theorem*. Define

$$D_{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(S, \Lambda) = D(\mathrm{Sh}_{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(S, \Lambda))$$

and write

$$\iota : (\mathrm{Et}_S, \mathrm{\acute{e}t}) \hookrightarrow (\mathrm{Sm}_S, \mathrm{\acute{e}t})$$

for the inclusion, then we get

$$\iota_S^* : D_{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(S, \Lambda) \longrightarrow \mathrm{DA}^{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(S, \Lambda).$$

Theorem 2.2.1 (Ayoub). — *Let S be an excellent, Noetherian, finite dimensional, Λ -finite, with any prime invertible in Λ or \mathcal{O}_S . Then ι_S^* is an equivalence.*

This procedure is very flexible and admits many *variants*.

- We can change the input. Instead of complexes we can work with presheaves of simplicial sets or ∞ -groupoids.
- We can change the topology. Instead of étale use Nisnevich or use presheaves with transfers.
- Change the geometric context. For example, to rigid analytic motivic sheaves.

Definition. — The **stable motivic homotopy category** over S is

$$\mathrm{SH}(S) := \mathrm{PSP}_T(\mathrm{PSh}(\mathrm{Sm}_S, \mathrm{sSet}))[W_{(\mathbb{A}^1, \mathrm{Nis}, \mathbb{P}^1)}^{-1}].$$

Recall that the Nisnevich topology is between the Zariski and étale topologies. $\mathrm{DA}^{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(S)$ is the motivic version of $D(S^{\mathrm{an}}, \mathbb{Z})$ and $\mathrm{SH}(S)$ is the motivic version of sheaves of S^2 -spectra on S^{an} . There is also $\mathrm{DM}(S, \Lambda)$ which are the Nisnevich-local motivic sheaves. Many important invariants of varieties only satisfy Nisnevich descent, but not étale descent; for example, K -theory or higher chow groups.

§3. MOTIVES OVER A FIELD

Let $S = \mathrm{Spec}(k)$ and $\Lambda = \mathbb{Q}$. Define

$$\mathrm{DM}(k, \mathbb{Q}) := \mathrm{DA}^{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(k, \mathbb{Q}).$$

The analogies you should have in mind are

- $D(\mathrm{Ind} \mathrm{MHS}_{\mathbb{Q}})$,
- $D(\mathrm{Ind} \mathrm{Rep}_{Q_l}^{\mathrm{f.d.}} G_k)$.

Even though the construction was very formal there are some surprises. Define

$$\mathbb{Q}\langle i \rangle := \mathbb{Q}(i)[2i]$$

be pure Tate twists and $M\langle i \rangle := M \otimes \mathbb{Q}\langle i \rangle$.

- *Projective bundle formula*: Let $E \rightarrow X$ be a vector bundle, then

$$M(\mathbb{P}(E)) \simeq \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\text{rank } E - 1} M(X) \langle i \rangle$$

$$M(\mathbb{P}_l^n) = \Lambda(0) \oplus \Lambda \langle 1 \rangle \oplus \cdots \oplus \Lambda \langle n \rangle.$$

- *Gysin triangle*: Let $(c : Z \not\rightarrow X) \in \text{Sm}_k$, then we have

$$M(X \setminus Z) \longrightarrow M(X) \longrightarrow M(Z) \langle c \rangle \xrightarrow{+}$$

- *Smooth blow-up formula*:

$$M(\text{Bl}_Z(X)) \simeq M(X) \oplus \bigoplus_{i=1}^{c-1} M(Z) \langle i \rangle.$$

- *Poincaré duality 1*: Let X be smooth and projective over k , then $M(X)$ is *dualizable* with

$$M(X)^\vee \simeq M(X) \langle -\dim(X) \rangle.$$

We have $\text{DM}(k, \mathbb{Q}) \simeq \text{Ind DM}_{\text{ct}}$.

From here on out

$$\text{DM}(k, \Lambda) = \begin{cases} \text{DA}^{\text{ét}}(k, \Lambda) & \Lambda \text{ a } \mathbb{Q}\text{-algebra} \\ \text{DM}(k, \Lambda) & \Lambda \text{ a } \mathbb{Z} \left[\frac{1}{p} \right]\text{-algebra.} \end{cases}$$

For singular varieties $X \in \text{Sch}_R^{\text{ft, sep}}$ we get $M(X) \in \text{DM}(k, \Lambda)$. There are four theories

- (i) $M(X)$,
- (ii) Borel-Moore cohomology $M_{\text{BM}}(X)$ (also denoted $M^c(X)$ in the literature),
- (iii) $M_c^{\text{coh}}(X)$,
- (iv) $M_c^{\text{coh}}(X)$.

Localization: Consider a closed immersion $Z \hookrightarrow X$ and the open immersion $X \setminus Z \hookrightarrow X$. We have

$$M_{\text{BM}}(Z) \longrightarrow M_{\text{BM}}(X) \longrightarrow M_{\text{BM}}(?) \xrightarrow{+}$$

$$M_c^{\text{coh}}(X \setminus Z) \longrightarrow M_c^{\text{coh}}(X) \longrightarrow M_c^{\text{coh}}(Z) \xrightarrow{+}$$

Poincaré duality 2: For $X \in \text{Sm}_k$

$$\begin{cases} M(X)^\vee \simeq M_{\text{BM}}(X) \langle -d \rangle \\ M_c^{\text{coh}}(X)^\vee \simeq M_c^{\text{coh}}(X) \langle d \rangle. \end{cases}$$

(??)

3.1. Motivic cohomology and algebraic cycles

Definition. — Let $X \in \text{Sm}_k$, we define the **Motivic cohomology groups**

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\text{mot}}^{p,q}(X) &= H_{\text{mot}}^p(X, \Lambda(q)) := \text{Hom}_{\text{DM}(k, \Lambda)}(M(X), \Lambda(q)[p]) \\ &\simeq \text{Hom}_{\text{DM}(X, \Lambda)}(\Lambda_X(0), \Lambda_X(q)[p]). \end{aligned}$$

For $X \in \text{Sch}_k^{\text{ft, sep}}$ define

$$H_{p,q}^{\text{BM}} := \text{Hom}(\Lambda(q)[p], M_{\text{BM}}(X)).$$

3.1.1. Weight 1 motivic cohomology

Lemma 3.1.1. — *We have*

$$M_S^{\text{eff}}(\mathbf{G}_m) \simeq \Lambda(0) \oplus \Lambda(1)[1].?$$

Proof. $\mathbb{P}^1 = \mathbb{A}^1 \cup \mathbb{A}^1$, so by Mayer-Vietoris we get

$$M(\mathbf{G}_m) \longrightarrow M(\mathbb{A})^{\oplus 2} \longrightarrow M(\mathbb{P}^1) \xrightarrow{+}$$

hence by \mathbb{A}^1 -invariance

$$M(\mathbf{G}_m, 1) \simeq M(\mathbb{P}^1, 1)[-1].$$

□

The map $\alpha_{\mathbf{G}_m} : \Lambda_{\text{ét}}[\mathbf{G}_m] \rightarrow \mathbf{G}_m \otimes \Lambda$ induces

$$\Lambda(1)[1] \xrightarrow{(*)} \Sigma_T^\infty(\mathbf{G}_m \otimes \Lambda).$$

Theorem 3.1.1. —

1) $(*)$ is an isomorphism, so

$$\text{Pic}(S) \otimes \Lambda \xrightarrow{c_1} H_{\text{mot}}^{2,1}(S)$$

2) For S regular

$$H_{\text{mot}}^{n,1}(S) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{O}_S^\times \otimes \Lambda & n = 1 \\ \text{Pic}(S) \otimes \Lambda & n = 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

3.1.2. Higher Chow groups Let $\Delta_{\text{alg},k}^\bullet \in (\text{Sm}_k)^\Delta$.

Definition. — Let $X \in \text{Sch}_k^{\text{ft}}$ define

$$\mathfrak{z}_n(X, r) \subseteq Z_n(X \times \Delta_{\text{alg}}^r) \otimes \Lambda$$

generated by integral subvarieties of dimension n which intersect all faces properly.

(Picture) We get $d : \mathfrak{z}_n(X, r) \rightarrow \mathfrak{z}_{n-1}(X, r-1)$ so $\mathfrak{z}_n(X, \bullet)$ is a Bloch cycle complex. (??)

Theorem 3.1.2 (Voevodsky+...). — *Let k be perfect, $X \in \text{Sch}_k^{\text{ft, sep}}$ then*

$$H_{p,q}^{BM}(X) \simeq \text{CH}_q(X, p-2q, \Lambda).$$

If $X \in \text{Sm}_k$ then

$$H_{\text{mot}}^{p,q}(X) \simeq \text{CH}^q(X, 2q-p, \Lambda)$$

$$H_{\text{mot}}^{2n,n}(X) \simeq \text{CH}^n(X, \Lambda).$$

(??)

3.2. Examples (Tate)

Definition. — Define

$$\mathrm{DMT}(k, \Lambda) = \langle \Lambda(n) | n \in \mathbb{Z} \rangle^{\mathrm{df}}$$

the **mixed Tate motives**. It contains $\bigoplus \Lambda \langle i \rangle^{\oplus n_i}$ the **pure Tate motives**.

We have $M(\mathbb{A}^n) = \Lambda(0)$ and $M_{\mathrm{BM}}(\mathbb{A}^n) = \Lambda \langle n \rangle$.

Exercise. — Show that

$$M(\mathbb{A}^n \setminus \{0\}) \simeq \Lambda(0) \oplus \Lambda(n)[2n-1].$$

3.2.1. Cellular varieties

Definition. — $X \in \mathrm{Sch}_k^{\mathrm{ft}}$ is **cellular** if there exists a closed subscheme $Z \hookrightarrow X$ such that $X \setminus Z \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{A}_k^i$ and Z is cellular.

Proposition 3.2.1. — Suppose X is cellular:

a) We have

$$M_{\mathrm{BM}}(X) \simeq \bigoplus_{i=0}^d \Lambda \langle i \rangle^{n_i},$$

where n_i is the number of cells of dimension i .

b) If X is also smooth

$$M(X) \simeq \bigoplus_{j=0}^d \Lambda \langle j \rangle^{m_j},$$

where m_j is the number of cells of codimension j .

Example 3.2.1. —

1) Let G be split reductive, $B \subset G$ be a Borel, then G/B is cellular (Bruhat decomposition) and

$$M(G/B) \simeq \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} \Lambda \langle i \rangle^{n_i}$$

where n_i is the number of $w \in W$ of length i .

2) Let X be quasiprojective and smooth (??)

3.2.2. Reductive groups

Theorem 3.2.1 (Biglami). — If G is split reductive, then

$$M(G) \simeq \mathrm{Sym}^* \left(\bigoplus_{i \geq 1} \Lambda(i)[2i-1]^{\oplus n_i} \right)$$

so by Chevalley

$$R[\mathfrak{g}]^G = k[q_1, \dots, q_r]$$

where $\deg q_j = d_j$ and n_i is the number of j such that $d_j = i$.

Example 3.2.2. — We have

$$M(\mathrm{GL}_n) = \mathrm{Sym}^* (\Lambda(1)[1] \oplus \Lambda(2)[3] \oplus \dots \oplus \Lambda(n)[2n-1])$$

$$M(\mathrm{SL}_n) = \times(??)$$

Exercise. — What is $M(\mathrm{Sp}_{2n})$?

3.3. Examples (non-Tate)

3.3.1. Curves

Proposition 3.3.1. — *Let C be a smooth projective curve with a 0-cycle (with Λ -coefficients) of degree 1 (or if Λ is a \mathbb{Q} -algebra)*

$$M(C) \simeq \Lambda(0) \oplus M_1(C) \oplus \Lambda\langle 1 \rangle.$$

If $g(C) > 0$ then $M_n(C) \notin \text{DMT}(k, \Lambda)$.

3.3.2. Commutative algebraic groups

Theorem 3.3.1 (?). — *We take $\Lambda = \mathbb{Q}$ and G/k a smooth commutative group (e.g. a (semi-)abelian variety). Define*

$$M_1(G) := \Sigma_T^\infty(G \otimes \mathbb{Q}) \in \text{DM}(k, G).$$

Then

$$M(G) \simeq \left(\bigoplus_{i=0}^? \text{Sym}_i(M_1(G)) \right) \otimes M(?).$$

§4. SIX FUNCTOR FORMALISM

4.1. Betti sheaves

Definition. — Define

$$\begin{aligned} D_B(-) : \text{Var}_{\mathbb{C}}^{\text{op}} &\longrightarrow \text{TriCat}^{\otimes} \quad (\text{better } \text{CAlg}(\text{Pr}^L)) \\ X &\longmapsto D(\text{Sh}(X^{\text{an}}, \Lambda)) \\ f &\longmapsto f^* = Lf^* \quad \text{pullback} \end{aligned}$$

D_B is symmetric monoidal

$$f^*(F \otimes G) \simeq f^*(F) \otimes f^*(G) + \dots$$

(note that we write $\otimes = \otimes^{\mathbb{L}}$).

Proposition 4.1.1. — *$(f^*, f_* = Rf_*)$ is an adjoint pair. And $D_B(X)$ is closed, i.e. there exists $\underline{\text{Hom}}(F, G)$.*

Definition. — A **sheaf theory** is a symmetric monoidal functor

$$D(-) : (\text{Sch}_{\mathbb{S}}^{\text{ft}})^{\text{op}} \longrightarrow \text{TriCat}^{\otimes} / \text{CAlg}(\text{Pr}^L)$$

So we have four functors $(\otimes, \underline{\text{Hom}})$ and (f^*, f_*) which form adjoint pairs.

Example 4.1.1. —

- Derived categories of étale/ l -adic sheaves.
- Derived categories of (holonomic) D -modules.
- Derived categories of mixed Hodge modules.
- ??
- $D(\text{QCoh}(-))$.

Let $f : Y \rightarrow X$ be separated of finite type, then we have two functors $f_! : D_B(Y) \rightleftarrows D_B(X) : f^!$ and $f_!$ gives us relative cohomology with compact support.

These satisfy a bunch of natural transformations:

- *Base change:* Let

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Y' & \xrightarrow{\tilde{f}} & X' \\ \downarrow \tilde{g} & & \downarrow g \\ Y & \xrightarrow{f} & X \end{array}$$

be Cartesian, then we get a natural transformation $f^* g_*(-) \rightarrow \tilde{g}_* \tilde{f}^*(-)$.

- *Projection:* We have a natural transformation

$$f_*(-) \otimes - \longrightarrow f_*(- \otimes f^*(-)).$$

- *Künneth*: We have the natural transformation

$$f_*(-) \otimes g_*(-) \longrightarrow (f \times g)_*(- \boxtimes_X -)$$

where $\boxtimes_X := \mathrm{pr}_1^*(-) \otimes \mathrm{pr}_2^*(-)$.

Theorem 4.1.1. — *Let $D = D_B$. Assume g is proper the (BC) and (Proj) are isomorphisms. If f is also proper then (Kü) is also an isomorphism.*

Proposition 4.1.2 (Open base change). — *Assume f is an open immersion. Then (BC) is an isomorphism.*

Definition. — Let $f : Y \rightarrow X$ be separated of finite type and $F \in \mathrm{Sh}(X^{\mathrm{an}}, \Lambda)$. Define

$$(f_!F)(U) := \left\{ s \in F(f^{-1}(U)) \mid f|_{\mathrm{Supp}(s)} \text{ is proper} \right\} \subset (f_*F)(U)$$

is the **pushforward with compact support**. We also write

$$f_! := \mathrm{R}f_! : D(Y) \longrightarrow D(X).$$

$f_! \rightarrow f_*$ is an isomorphism for f proper (??).

Lemma 4.1.1. — *Suppose $j : U \hookrightarrow X$ is an open immersion.*

- 1) $j_! : \mathrm{Sh}(U^{\mathrm{an}}) \rightarrow \mathrm{Sh}(X^{\mathrm{an}})$ is “extension by zero”

$$(j_!F)_x = \begin{cases} F_x & x \in U \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- 2) $j_!$ is left adjoint to j^* .

- 3) We have open BC: $f^*j_! \simeq \tilde{j}_!f^*$ and open Proj

$$j_!(- \otimes j^*(-)) \simeq j_!(-) \otimes -.$$

Let $f : Y \rightarrow X$ be a separated morphism of finite type, then there exists a Nagata compactification where f factors as

$$Y \xrightarrow{j} \bar{Y} \xrightarrow{p} X$$

where j is an open immersion and p is proper. Then

$$j_! \simeq p_!j_! \simeq p_*j_!.$$

Theorem 4.1.2. — (BC) We have $g^*f_! \xrightarrow{\sim} \tilde{f}_!g^*$.

$$(\mathrm{Proj}) f_!(- \otimes f^*(-)) \xrightarrow{\sim} f_!(-) \otimes -.$$

$$(\mathrm{Kü}) f_!(-) \otimes g_!(-) \xrightarrow{\sim} (f \times g)_!(- \boxtimes -).$$

Proposition 4.1.3. — *Let f be a separated morphism of finite type. The functor $f_! : D_B(Y) \rightarrow D_B(X)$ commutes with all coproducts. So by the Adjoint Functor Theorem, $f_!$ has a right adjoint $f^! : D_B(X) \rightarrow D_B(Y)$ called the **exceptional pullback**.*

Example 4.1.2. — If j is an open immersion (étale) then $j^! \simeq j^*$.

Proposition 4.1.4 (Formal local duality). — *There is an isomorphism*

$$\underline{\mathrm{Hom}}(f_!F, G) \xrightarrow{\sim} f_*\underline{\mathrm{Hom}}(F, f^!G).$$

Exercise. — Prove this!

Example 4.1.3. — Let $\pi : X \rightarrow \mathrm{Spec}(\mathbb{C})$, then

$$H_c^*(X, \mathbb{Q})^\vee \simeq H^*(X, \pi^!\mathbb{Q}).$$

To recover Poincaré duality, we need to compute $\pi^!\mathbb{Q}$ for X smooth.

Theorem 4.1.3 (Duality for smooth morphisms). — *Let $q : Y \rightarrow X$ be a separated morphism of finite type.*

- 1) *There is a canonical natural transformation*

$$\alpha_f : f^!\Lambda \otimes f^*(-) \longrightarrow f^!(-).$$

- 2) *Let f be smooth separated of relative dimension d , then*

- α_f is an isomorphism,
- $f^! \Lambda \simeq \Lambda \langle d \rangle$.

(Better $\Lambda(1) \simeq \Lambda$.)

3) If f is smooth then f^* has a left adjoint

$$f_{\sharp} = f_! \langle d \rangle.$$

Exercise (Zariski separation). — Let $\{j_i : U_i \rightarrow X\}$ be a Zariski/étale covering then $\{j_i^* = j_i^!\}$ is jointly conservative.

Proof sketch. Étale separation reduces 2) to $f : \mathbb{A}^n \times X \rightarrow X$ (?). 3) is a corollary of 2). \square

Proposition 4.1.5. — Let $\pi : X \rightarrow \text{Spec}(\mathbb{C})$ be separated, then

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\text{sing}}^*(X^{\text{an}}, \Lambda) &\simeq H^*(\pi_* \overbrace{\pi^* \Lambda}^{\Lambda}) \\ H_c^*(X^{\text{an}}, \Lambda) &\simeq H^*(\pi_! \pi^* \Lambda) \\ H_*(X^{\text{an}}, \Lambda) &\simeq H_*(\pi_! \pi^! \Lambda) \\ H_*^{BM}(X^{\text{an}}, \Lambda) &\xrightarrow{\sim} H(\pi_* \pi^! \Lambda). \end{aligned}$$

Remark. — Let q be smooth, then $q_{\sharp} \Lambda \simeq q_! q^! \Lambda$.

For a quasiprojective morphism f we get two factorizations

$$\begin{cases} f = pj & f_! = p_! j_! \\ f = qi & f^! = i^! q^! \end{cases}$$

where p is proper, j is an open immersion, q is smooth and i is a closed immersion.

Proposition 4.1.6 (Localization/gluing). — Let $i : Z \hookrightarrow X$ be a closed immersion and $j : X \setminus Z = U \rightarrow X$

$$\begin{cases} j_* j^* \longrightarrow \text{id} \longrightarrow i_! i^! \xrightarrow{+} \\ j_! j^! \longrightarrow \text{id} \longrightarrow i_* i^* \xrightarrow{+} \end{cases}$$

(note that $i_! = i_*$).

Proposition 4.1.7 (Absolute purity). — Let $i : Z \hookrightarrow X$ be a regular closed immersion of codimension c , then

$$i^! (\Lambda_X) \simeq \Lambda_Z \langle -c \rangle.$$

So we get $i^! \Lambda_X$ for $i : D \hookrightarrow X$ a SNCD.

4.2. What are six functor formalisms? (Lurie, Gaitsgory-Rozenblyum, Liu-Zhang, Mann, ...)

Definition (Fake). — Let \mathcal{C} be an ∞ -category with finite limits and E be a class of morphisms stable under composition and pullbacks. $\text{Span}(\mathcal{C}, E)$ is the ∞ -category of **spans**:

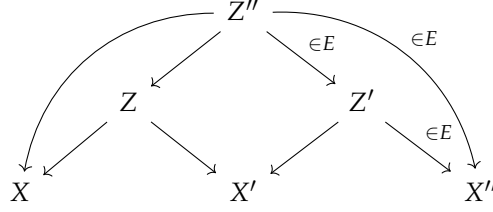
- Objects are the objects of \mathcal{C} .
- 1-morphisms are diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & Z & \\ g \swarrow & & \searrow f \in E \\ X & & Y \end{array}$$

- 2-morphisms are diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & Z & & \\ & \swarrow & \uparrow & \searrow \in E & \\ X & & \sim & & Y \\ & \swarrow & \downarrow \in E & \searrow & \\ & & Z' & & \end{array}$$

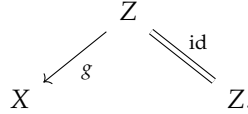
- composition is given by pullbacks



$\text{Span}(\mathcal{C}, E)$ has a symmetric monoidal structure

$$(\mathcal{C}^{\text{op}}, \times) \longrightarrow (\text{Span}(\mathcal{C}, E), \otimes)$$

which maps $g : Z \rightarrow X$ to the diagram



Definition (Mann). — A **3-functor formalism** is a ∞ -symmetric monoidal functor

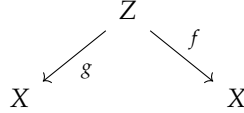
$$\tilde{D} : \text{Span}(\mathcal{C}, E) \longrightarrow \text{Cat}_\infty.$$

A **6-functor formalism** is a 3-functor formalism where “right adjoints exist”.

Fact. — $D_B(-)$ extends to a 3-functor formalism

$$\tilde{D}_B : \text{Span}(\text{Sch}_\mathbb{C}^?, \text{ft}, \text{sep}) \longrightarrow \text{Cat}_\infty.$$

\tilde{D}_B takes the diagram



to $f_! g^*$. It's lax symmetric monoidal, we have \boxtimes_X and we can apply Δ_X^* to get \otimes_X . We have functoriality for composition of spans which gives us

$$BC : f_! g^* = \tilde{g}^* \tilde{f}_!.$$

Theorem 4.2.1 (Fake). — Let $P, J \subseteq E$ such that $E = P \circ J$ and consider

$$D : \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \longrightarrow \text{CAlg}(\text{Cat}_\infty).$$

- 1) For all $p \in P$ we have an adjoint pair (p^*, p_*) and PBC and PProj.
- 2) For all $j \in J$ we have an adjoint pair $(j_!, j^*)$ and OBC and OProj.
- 3) Let

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bullet & \xrightarrow{\tilde{p}} & \bullet \\ \downarrow \tilde{j} & & \downarrow j \\ \bullet & \xrightarrow{p} & \bullet \end{array}$$

then

$$j_! \tilde{p}_* \xrightarrow{\sim} p_* \tilde{j}_!$$

(Supp).

Then D extends to a 3-functor formalism.

4.3. Six functor formalism for motivic sheaves Let $f : T \rightarrow S$ be a morphism, we have the functor

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1} : \mathrm{Sm}_S &\longrightarrow \mathrm{Sm}_T \\ X &\longmapsto X \times_S T \end{aligned}$$

which gives us $\mathrm{DA}^{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(-, \Lambda)$ and $\mathrm{SH}(-)$ sheaf theories. We already have \otimes, f^* and $\underline{\mathrm{Hom}}, f_*$.

Theorem 4.3.1. — $\mathrm{DA}^{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(-, \Lambda), \mathrm{SH}(-)$ extend to six-functor formalisms.

This is a hard theorem, much harder than the Betti and étale cases. The main difficulty is that proper base change is hard!

Remark. —

- This also holds for other variants: $\mathrm{DM}(-, \Lambda)$, KGL -modules which are “ KH -motives”, MGL -modules,...
- At the end of the day there are still major differences:
 - 1) Let q be smooth of relative dimension d . In $\mathrm{DA}^{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(-, \Lambda), \mathrm{DM}(-, \Lambda), KGL, MGL$ we have $q^! \mathbb{1}_X \simeq \mathbb{1}_Y \langle d \rangle$ (the GL -oriented theories/complex oriented cohomology theories in $\mathrm{SH}^{\mathrm{top}}$ with Chern classes for vector bundles). In $\mathrm{SH}(-)$, $q^! \mathbb{1}_X \simeq \mathrm{Th}_Y(\Omega_q)$ which is the Thom space/spectrum.
 - 2) $\mathrm{DA}^{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(-, \Lambda)$ has much stronger descent properties, it satisfies h -descent. The h -topology is defined by étale coverings and proper surjective morphisms.

If q is smooth, then q^{-1} has a left adjoint given by a very silly formula

$$\begin{aligned} q_{\sharp} : \mathrm{Sm}_T &\longrightarrow \mathrm{Sm}_S \\ X &\longmapsto X. \end{aligned}$$

This induces a left adjoint to $q^* : D(S) \rightarrow D(T)$ for $D = \mathrm{DA}^{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(-, \Lambda), \mathrm{SH}(-)$.

Theorem 4.3.2 (Voevodsky, Ayoub). — *A sheaf theory that satisfies:*

- for q -smooth there is an adjoint pair (q_{\sharp}, q^*) with base change and the projection formula,
- (Gluing) for all closed embeddings $i : Z \hookrightarrow X$ and open embeddings $j : X \setminus Z \hookrightarrow X$ the pair (i^*, j^*) is conservative and i_* is fully faithful,
- \mathbb{A}^1 -invariance and \mathbb{P}^1 -stability

satisfies proper base change.

Note that the gluing axiom is a gluing theorem of Morel-Voevodsky, it uses smooth sites and at least Nisnevich descent. This type of sheaf theory is called a **motivic sheaf theory** or a **coefficient system**.

Theorem 4.3.3 (Drew-Gallaver). — $\mathrm{SH}(-)$ is the initial motivic sheaf theory. $\mathrm{DA}^{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(-, \Lambda)$ is initial among those satisfying étale descent and (?)

(Something about the Drew-Tubach mixed module realization?)

There are also good theories of:

- constructibility and Verdier duality,
- nearby and vanishing cycles.

4.4. Motivic t -structure conjecture and algebraic cycles

Let $D = \mathrm{DA}^{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}(-, \mathbb{Q}) = \mathrm{DM}(-, \mathbb{Q})$.

Definition. — Let D be a triangulated category. A t -**structure** is a pair $(D_{\geq 0}, D_{\leq 0})$ of full subcategories with

- 1) $D_{\geq 0}, D_{\leq 0}$ are replete (stable under isomorphisms),
- 2) $D_{\geq 0}[1] \subseteq D_{\geq 0}, D_{\leq 0}[-1] \subseteq D_{\leq 0}$,
- 3) $\mathrm{Hom}(D_{\geq 0}, D_{\leq 0}[-1]) = 0$,
- 4) for all $X \in D$, there exists a distinguished triangle

$$\tau_{\geq 0}X \longrightarrow X \longrightarrow \tau_{< 0}X \xrightarrow{+}$$

where $\tau_{\geq 0}X \in D_{\geq 0}$ and $\tau_{< 0}X \in D_{\leq 0}[-1]$.

Taking $D=0 = D_{\geq 0} \cap D_{\leq 0}$ gives us the **heart** which is an abelian category.

Example 4.4.1. — Let

$$D(A)_{\geq 0} = \{K_{\bullet} \mid \forall n < 0, H_n(K_{\bullet}) = 0\}$$

and similarly for ≤ 0 . The heart is A .

Example 4.4.2. — Let

$$\mathrm{hSptr}_{\geq 0} = \{K_{\bullet} \mid \forall n < 0, \pi_n(K_{\bullet}) = 0\}$$

similarly for ≤ 0 and the heart is Ab .

Conjecture 4.4.1 (T_k). — Let k be a field. There exists a t -structure on $\mathrm{DM}(k, \mathbb{Q})$ such that

- 1) for all $l \neq \mathrm{char}(k)$, $R_l : \mathrm{DM}(k, \mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow D(\mathbb{Q}_l)$ is t -exact.
- 2) The t -structure restricts to $\mathrm{DM}_{\mathrm{ct}}(k, \mathbb{Q})$, define $\mathrm{MM}_{(d)}(k, \mathbb{Q})$ to be the heart of $\mathrm{DM}_{(d)}(k, \mathbb{Q})$.
- 3) $\mathrm{DM}_{\mathrm{ct}}(k, \mathbb{Q}) \simeq D^b(\mathrm{MM}_{\mathrm{ct}}(k, \mathbb{Q}))$.

Lemma 4.4.1. — (T_k) implies $\mathrm{MM}_{\mathrm{ct}}$ is a Tannakian category.

So $\mathrm{MM}_{\mathrm{ct}}(k, \mathbb{Q})$ is approximately isomorphic to $\mathrm{Rep}^{\mathrm{f.d.}}(G_{\mathrm{mot}}(k))$, where $G_{\mathrm{mot}}(k)$ is a pro-algebraic group over \mathbb{Q} , the “motivic Galois group”.

Proposition 4.4.1. — Let $\sigma : k \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a field embedding. Then (T_k) is equivalent to the Nori realization functor

$$R_{\sigma} : ??$$

Theorem 4.4.1. — (T_k) implies

- a) (Conservativity): $R_l : \mathrm{DM}_{\mathrm{ct}}(k, \mathbb{Q}) \rightarrow D(\mathbb{Q}_l)$ is conservative.
- b) $(\mathrm{char} k)$ standard conjectures of Grothendieck on algebraic cycles up to homological equivalence on smooth projective varieties.
- c) Bloch-Beilinson-Murre conjecture on filtrations of Chow groups of smooth projective varieties.
- d) Beilinson-Soulé conjecture: Fix $X \in \mathrm{Sm}_k$, then

$$H_{\mathrm{mot}}^q(X, \mathbb{Q}(p)) = 0$$

for $q < 0$. Call this statement (BS_X) .

Theorem 4.4.2 (Levine). — If $X \in \mathrm{Sm}_k$, then (BS_X) implies the existence of a motivic t -structure on $\mathrm{DMT}_{\mathrm{ct}}(X, k)$ (not satisfying property 3) in general.

Theorem 4.4.3. — (BS_X) is a known when

- 1) k is a number field, function field, finite field. The number field case is a difficult theorem of Borel, the function field was proven by Harder, and the finite field case by Quillen.
- 2) $M(X) \in \mathrm{DMT}(k)$ for $X = \mathbb{G}_m^m \times \mathbb{A}^n \times \mathbb{P}^n$.

Definition. — Let $i : Z \hookrightarrow X$ be a closed embedding and $j : \hookrightarrow X \setminus Z$ be the complementary open embedding. We say it is **Whitney-Tate** if $i^*j_*\mathrm{DMT}(X \setminus Z) \subset \mathrm{DMT}(Z)$.