

Theorem Let  $X$  be a separated scheme  
and  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_i\}_{i \in I}$  an open cover  
of  $X$  by affine schemes.

Then for all  $i$  there is a  
natural isomorphism

$$H_{\mathcal{U}}^i(X, -) \simeq H^i(X, -).$$

of functors  $\mathcal{O}(\text{coh}_{(X, \mathcal{O}_X)} \rightarrow \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X)\text{-modules}$ .

Lemma: If  $X = \text{Spec } A$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  is  
quasi-coherent, then  $H^i(X, \mathcal{F}) = 0$   
for all  $i \geq 1$ .

Proof Later!

(Proof of theorem):

Recall the Čech-cohomology  
spectral sequence

$$E_2^{p,q} = H_{\mathcal{U}}^p(X, \underline{H^q(X, \mathcal{F})}) \Rightarrow H^{p+q}(X, \mathcal{F})$$

where  $H^q(X, \mathcal{F})$  is the presheaf  
with  $H^q(X, \mathcal{F})[u] := H^q(u, F|_u)$ .

By the lemma above

$$E_2^{p,q} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } q \geq 1 \text{ and} \\ \check{H}_\mathcal{M}^p(X, \mathcal{F}) & \text{if } q = 0 \end{cases}$$

this implies  $E_\infty^{p,q} = E_2^{p,q}$  and

$$\text{that } H^p(X, \mathcal{F}) \cong \check{H}_\mathcal{M}^p(X, \mathcal{F}).$$

Why does  $H^n(\text{Spec } A, \mathcal{F}) = 0$ ?

we have exact equivalences of  
abelian categories

$$A\text{-mod} \xrightleftharpoons[\Gamma_{\mathcal{Q}_{\text{clh}}(\text{Spec } A, -)}]{(\quad)} \mathcal{Q}_{\text{clh}} \text{Spec } A.$$

the functor  $\Gamma_{\mathcal{Q}_{\text{clh}}}(\text{Spec } A, -) : \mathcal{Q}_{\text{clh}} \text{Spec } A \rightarrow A\text{-mod}$   
is exact.

If  $\mathcal{Q}_{\text{coh}}^{\text{Spec } A}$  has enough injectives

then  $R^i \Gamma_{\mathcal{Q}_{\text{coh}}}(\text{Spec } A, -): \mathcal{Q}_{\text{coh}}^{\text{Spec } A} \rightarrow A\text{-mod}$

vanish for  $i \geq 1$ .

Category of  $A$ -modules has enough injectives so  $\mathcal{Q}_{\text{coh}}$  also does.

Did we finish?

No!

By definition,  $R^i \Gamma$  are right derived functors of

$$\Gamma: (\text{Spec } A, \mathcal{O}_X\text{-mod}) \rightarrow A\text{-mod.}$$

all  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -modules.

We have  $i: \mathcal{Q}_{\text{coh}}^{\text{Spec } A} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{O}_X\text{-mod}$ .

Problem:  $i$  does not preserve injectives. In particular

$R^i \Gamma_{\mathcal{Q}_{\text{coh}}}(F)$  does not necessarily  
compute  $R^i \Gamma(F)$ .

Lemma: Let  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  be a ringed space and  $\mathcal{F}$  an  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -module. Let  $s \in H^n(X, \mathcal{F})$  with  $n \geq 1$  the following hold:

- 1) There is an open cover  $X = \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$  s.t.  $0 = s|_{U_i} \in H^n(U_i, \mathcal{F}|_{U_i})$ .
- 2) Suppose there is a basis for the topology  $\mathcal{U} = \{U \subseteq X\}_{\text{open}}$  stable under finite intersections and with the property that for all  $0 < i < n$  and all  $U \in \mathcal{U}$   $H^i(U, \mathcal{F}) = 0$  then, there is a cover  $j: \coprod U_i \rightarrow X$  s.t.  $f(s) = 0$  for  $f: H^n(X, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow H^n(X, j_* j^* \mathcal{F})$ .

Proof we do this by induction on  $n \geq 1$ .

1) consider an embedding

$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{K} \rightarrow 0$  with  $\mathcal{G}$  flasque. Then  $H^n(X, \mathcal{F}) \cong H^{n-1}(X, \mathcal{K})$  for  $n \geq 2$ . So it suffices to show case  $n=1$ . In this case

$$H^1(U, \mathcal{F}) = H^0(U, \mathcal{K}) / \text{im}(H^0(U, \mathcal{G}))$$

for all  $\underset{\text{open}}{U} \subseteq X$ .

Since  $G \rightarrow K$  is surjective  
for every  $s \in H^0(X, K)$  there is  
open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  s.t.  $s|_{U_i} \neq 0 \forall U_i \in \mathcal{U}$   
comes from  $H^0(U_i, G)$ .

2) How does  $H^n(X, j_* j^* F)$  look like?

$$H^n(X, j_* j^* F) = H^n(X, R^0 j_* j^* F)$$

if  $n=1$  the Leray spectral sequence

$$E_2^{p,q} = H^p(X, R^q j_* j^* F) \Rightarrow H^{p+q}(X, j^* F)$$

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$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & H^0(X, R^1 j_* j^* F) & H^1(X, R^1 j_* j^* F) & \dots & & & \\ & \searrow & \searrow & \searrow & & & \\ 0 & H^0(X, R^0 j_* j^* F) & H^1(X, R^0 j_* j^* F) & \dots & \rightarrow & & \\ & \searrow & \searrow & \searrow & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \rightarrow & 0 & \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

so  $H^1(X, R^0 j_* j^* F)$  is  $E_\infty^{1,0}$ -term

$$\text{so } 0 \rightarrow H^1(X, R^0 j_* j^* F) \rightarrow H^1(\coprod U_i, j^* F)$$

Aside:

Mnemonic: "If on every page you are a kernel in the end you are a cokernel".

The  $(0, p)$  entry of spectral sequence all pass page by taking kernel, so  $E_{\infty}^{(0, p)}$  is cokernel of  $R^p(G \circ F)$ .

Similarly,  $E_{\infty}^{(p, 0)}$  pass page by taking cokernel, so  $E_{\infty}^{(p, 0)} \subseteq R^p(G \circ F)$ .

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If  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  with index map  $j^U: U \rightarrow X$  then for each

$R^i j_*^U j^U{}^* F$  is sheafification of rule

$v \mapsto H^i(U \cap V, F) = H^i(j^{U \cap V}(v), j_{U \cap V}^* F)$   
since  $V \cap U \in \mathcal{U}$  for all  $V \in \mathcal{U}$ .

this shows  $R^i j_*^U F = 0$  for all  $i < n$ .

$E_2^{p, q} = 0$  for  $0 < q < n$  so that

$$E_2^{n, 0} = E_{\infty}^{n, 0} = H^n(X, j_* j^* F)$$

Then  $H^n(X, j_* j^* F) \hookrightarrow H^n(\coprod U_i, F)$   
and we can choose it to vanish.

Proposition If  $X = \text{Spec } A$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  is quasi-coherent sheaf, then  $H^n(X, \mathcal{F}) = 0$   $\forall n \geq 1$

Proof. Assume this holds for all  $0 < i < n$ , for all affine schemes and all quasi-coherent sheaves on them.

Let  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{Q}(\text{coh}_X)$ , and fix set  $H^n(X, \mathcal{F})$ .

By previous lemma (since  $H^i(D(f), \mathcal{F}) = 0$   $\forall 0 < i < n$  and all  $f \in A$ ) there is a cover  $X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n D(f_i)$  s.t.

s maps to 0 on  $H^n(X, j_* j^* \mathcal{F})$

Consider the SES in  $\mathcal{Q}(\text{coh}_X)$

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^n j_*^{D(f_i)} \mathcal{F}_{|D(f_i)} \rightarrow \mathcal{G} \rightarrow 0$$

taking LES

$$H^{n-1}(X, \mathcal{G}) \xrightarrow{s} H^n(X, \mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{g} H^n(X, j_*^{D(f_i)} \mathcal{F}_{|D(f_i)})$$

by construction  $g(s) = 0$  so  $s = \delta(t)$ ,

but  $H^{n-1}(X, \mathcal{G}) = 0$  when  $n \geq 1$

and when  $n=1$

the map  $H^0(X, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow H^1(X, \mathcal{F})$

is the 0 map since  $H^0(X, -)$  is exact on quasi-coherent sheaves on affine schemes.

Theorem (Serre's Criterion) Let  $X$  be a quasi-compact scheme. The following are equivalent:

- 1)  $X$  is affine
- 2)  $H^n(X, \mathcal{F}) = 0$  for all  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{Q}(\text{Sh}(X))$ .
- 3)  $H^1(X, \mathcal{I}) = 0$  for all quasi-coherent ideal sheaves.

Proof 1)  $\Rightarrow$  2) | Proposition above

2)  $\Rightarrow$  3) | Clear

3)  $\Rightarrow$  1) : | Let  $A = \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ , we show that  $f: X \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$  is an affine morphism.



Being an affine morphism is LCT

so it suffices to find  $\{a_1, \dots, a_r\} \in A$   
with  $1 \in \langle a_1, \dots, a_r \rangle$ . s.t.  $f^{-1}(D(a_i)) \subset X$   
is affine.

Fix  $x \in X$  closed and  $x \in U \subset X$  with  
 $U$  affine.

Let  $Z = X|_U$  with reduced scheme  
structure and ideal sheaf  $\mathcal{I}_Z \subset \mathcal{O}_X$ .

We have SES

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_{Z \cup \{x\}} \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_Z \rightarrow \mathcal{K}(x) \rightarrow 0$$

with  $\mathcal{K}(x)$  the skyscraper sheaf over  
 $x$  and  $\mathcal{K}(x)$  residue field of  $x$ .

We set exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(X, \mathcal{I}_{Z \cup \{x\}}) \rightarrow H^0(X, \mathcal{I}_Z) \rightarrow H^0(X, \mathcal{K}(x)) \rightarrow 0$$

$\parallel$   
 $H^1(X, \mathcal{I}_{Z \cup \{x\}})$

there is  $a \in H^0(X, \mathcal{I}_Z)$  with  $a_x = 1$  in  $\mathcal{K}(x)$ .

This shows  $x \in f^{-1}(D(a))$

Moreover,  $f^{-1}(D(a)) \subseteq U$  since  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$

Since  $U$  is affine,  $f^{-1}(D(a)) = f^{-1}(D(a)) \cap U$   
which is a distinguished open set of  $U$ . hence affine.

For all closed point  $x \in X$  we  
construct  $a \in A$  s.t.  $f^{-1}(D(a))$  is  
affine and  $x \in f^{-1}(D(a))$ .

Let  $W = \bigcup f^{-1}(D(a_i))$ ,  $X \setminus W$  is closed,  
but quasi-compact schemes have a closed  
point.

Let us show the  $D(a_i)$  constructed  
this way cover  $\text{Spec } A$ .

Choose  $a_i$  s.t.  $X = \bigcup_{i=1}^m f^{-1}(D(a_i))$   
and define

$$\alpha: \mathcal{O}_X^m \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \\ (b_1, \dots, b_m) \longmapsto \sum_{i=1}^m a_i b_i$$

Since  $(a_i)_x \neq 0$  for some  $i \forall x \in X$   
 $\alpha$  is surjective.

Let  $\mathcal{F} = \ker(\alpha)$  we have  
a filtration

$$0 \subseteq \mathcal{O}_X \cap \mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{O}_X^2 \cap \mathcal{F} \subseteq \dots \mathcal{O}_X^m \cap \mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}$$

$$\text{Let } k^i = \text{coker}(\mathcal{O}_X^i \cap \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X^{i+1} \cap \mathcal{F})$$

then

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & 0 & & 0 & & S & \\ & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \\ 0 & \rightarrow & \mathcal{O}_X^i \cap \mathcal{F} & \rightarrow & \mathcal{O}_X^{i+1} \cap \mathcal{F} & \rightarrow & k^i \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 & \rightarrow & \mathcal{O}_X^i & \rightarrow & \mathcal{O}_X^{i+1} & \rightarrow & \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow \alpha & & \downarrow \alpha & & \\ 0 & \rightarrow & \alpha(\mathcal{O}_X^i) & \rightarrow & \alpha(\mathcal{O}_X^{i+1}) & & \end{array}$$

Snake lemma  $S = 0$  so  $k^m \hookrightarrow \mathcal{O}_X$

this gives  $H^1(X, k^i) = 0$  and inductively,

$$H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X^i \cap \mathcal{F}) = 0$$

This gives  $\alpha: H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X^m) \rightarrow H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$

i.e.  $1 = a_1 b_1 + \dots + a_m b_m$ .