

84.4 Counterexample

Proof. For any $U \subset X$, where \mathcal{F} is skyscraper sheaf at $p \in X$ with value group A and \mathcal{G} is a constant sheaf on topological space X with value group A . We claim that

$$\mathcal{H}om(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})(U) = \text{Mor}(\mathcal{F}|_U, \mathcal{G}|_U) = 0$$

as an Abelian group for arbitrary $U \subset X$.

It suffices to check the above statement is correct when $U = X$ for $\mathcal{H}om(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$ is a sheaf, i.e. we need to show the group

$$\mathcal{H}om(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})(X) = \text{Mor}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}) = 0$$

Pick any natural transformation $\alpha \in \text{Mor}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$. We wish to show the group homomorphism $\alpha(U)$ is 0 (i.e. sends everything to 0 in the codomain $\mathcal{G}(U)$). For an open subset U , it admits an open covering $\{U_i\}$ in which every U_i is connected. While \mathcal{G} is a sheaf, to prove $\alpha(U) = 0$ it suffices to check $\alpha(U_i) = 0$. Fix i and denote $U_i = U_0$. When $p \notin U_0$, then $\mathcal{F}(U_0) = 0$ and the map $\alpha(U_0) = 0$.

Now assume $p \notin U_0$. We can still argue $\alpha(U_0)$ is 0 group homomorphism by restrict it to a smaller open subset that doesn't contain p , because the skyscraper sheaf will be 0 group.

Assume p is closed and not open, which means it's not isolated. Then $V := U \setminus \{p\}$ is an open subset that doesn't contain p , hence $\mathcal{F}(V) = 0$ by definition.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{F}(U_0) & \xrightarrow{\alpha(U)} & \mathcal{G}(U_0) = A \\ \text{Res}_{U_0 V} \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{F}(V) = 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{G}(V) = \oplus A \end{array}$$

Notice that we assumed U_0 to be connected, therefore $\mathcal{G}(U_0) = A$ is composed of single one copy of A . While $\mathcal{G}(V) = \oplus_{j \in J} A$ for some index set J . We claim that $\mathcal{G}(U_0) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(V)$ is an injection:

- We claim that the map is in fact diagonal map by considering the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} a \in \mathcal{G}(U_0) & \longrightarrow & (a, a, \dots, a) \in \mathcal{G}(V) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \prod_{p \in U_0} \mathcal{G}_p = \prod_{p \in U_0} A & \longleftarrow & \prod_{p \in V} A \end{array}$$

Therefore by commutativity of the diagram together with the injectivity of the above map we can conclude $\alpha(U_0) = 0$ as expected. □