

# A VAN EST THEOREM IN MIXED CHARACTERISTIC

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Contents

## 1. GEOMETRIC CONTEXT

(Personal: Does one really needs to work locally for the fpqc topology or can we refine the topology further by dropping the quasi-compactness assumption?)

1.1.  **$\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic geometric stacks.** Let  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  denote the  $\infty$ -category of simplicial  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic algebras.

**Definition 1.1.1.** Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a morphism in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ . The morphism  $f$  is said to be *étale* (resp., *smooth*) if it is *almost topologically of finite presentation* and the relative cotangent complex

$$\mathbb{L}_{B/A}^{\text{ad}} \in \text{Mod}_B.$$

vanishes (resp. it is equivalent to a free  $B$ -module of finite rank concentrated in degree 0).

**Definition 1.1.2.** Let  $\text{P}_{\text{sm}}$  denote the class of smooth morphisms in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ . The triplet  $(\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}, \tau_{\text{ét}}, \text{P}_{\text{sm}})$  forms a *geometric context*, which we refer to as the *derived  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic geometric context*.

**Definition 1.1.3.** The  $\infty$ -category of *derived  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic geometric stacks* is defined as the  $\infty$ -category of geometric stacks

$$\text{dSt}^{\text{ad}} := \text{dSt}(\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}, \tau_{\text{ét}}, \text{P}),$$

with respect to the derived  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic geometric context.

**Remark 1.1.4.** Let  $L_p^\wedge: \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \rightarrow \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  denote the  *$p$ -completion functor*, introduced in [?, §8]. Given  $A \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ , we define  $A_n \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  as the pushout

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A[t] & \xrightarrow{t \mapsto p^n} & A \\ \downarrow t \mapsto 0 & & \downarrow \\ A & \longrightarrow & A_n \end{array}$$

computed in  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}$ . Notice that  $A_n$  is naturally an object of the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  via the canonical inclusion  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}} \subseteq \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}$ . Thanks to [?, Lemma 8.1.2.3], one has a natural equivalence

$$(A)_p^\wedge \simeq \lim_{\geq 1} A_n,$$

in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ , where  $(A)_p^\wedge$  denotes the  $p$ -completion of  $A$ . Given a functor  $X: \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ , we define its  *$p$ -completion* as the functor

$$X_p^\wedge: \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$$

given by the formula

$$(1.1.1) \quad A \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}} \mapsto \lim_{n \geq 1} X(A_n) \in \mathcal{S}.$$

From the above formula (??), it is clear that if  $X$  satisfies étale hyper-descent then so it does  $X_p^\wedge$  satisfies descent with respect to  $\tau_{\text{ét}}$ -hypercoverings in  $(\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}, \tau_{\text{ét}})$ . Suppose now that  $X \in \text{dSt}(\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}, \tau_{\text{ét}}, \text{P}_{\text{sm}})$  denotes an (algebraic) derived  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -geometric stack. Then the  $p$ -completion of the corresponding functor of points, which we shall simply denote by  $X_p^\wedge$ , is naturally a derived  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic geometric stack, i.e.,  $X_p^\wedge \in \text{dSt}^{\text{ad}}$ . To see this, let

$$\pi: P \rightarrow X,$$

be a smooth covering of  $X$  where  $P \in \text{dSch}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}$  is a derived  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -scheme. Then

$$(\pi)_p^\wedge: P_p^\wedge \rightarrow X_p^\wedge$$

is still a smooth covering of  $X_p^\wedge$  by the derived  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic scheme,  $P_p^\wedge$ .

More generally, given a compatible *ind-system*,  $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ , where for each  $n \geq 1$ ,  $X_n$  denotes a derived  $\mathbb{Z}/p^n$ -geometric stack. Then the induced functor

$$\operatorname{colim}_{n \geq 1} X_n : \mathcal{C}\operatorname{Alg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\operatorname{ad}} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$$

is naturally a derived  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic geometric stack.

**Example 1.1.5.** Let  $X \in \operatorname{dSch}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}$  denote a derived  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -scheme, then its  $p$ -completion,  $X_p^\wedge$  is naturally an object in the  $\infty$ -category  $\operatorname{dSt}^{\operatorname{ad}}$ . Of interest to us will be the derived moduli stack parametrizing perfect complexes,  $\operatorname{Perf}$  and classifying spaces of formal groups or  $p$ -divisible groups. Given any formal reductive group  $G$ ,  $\operatorname{Bun}_G$  also lives naturally in the  $\infty$ -category  $\operatorname{dSt}^{\operatorname{ad}}$ .

**Remark 1.1.6.** Let  $X \in \operatorname{St}(\mathcal{C}\operatorname{Alg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}, \tau_{\operatorname{ét}}, \operatorname{P}_{\operatorname{sm}})$ . Thanks to Artin-Lurie representability theorem, [?, ?], the functor of points associated to  $X$  is nilcomplete, infinitesimally cartesian and it admits a global algebraic cotangent complex, which is an almost perfect complex on  $X$ . From the definitions, it is clear that  $X_p^\wedge$  also possesses these properties, namely it is nilcomplete, infinitesimally cartesian and it admits a global almost perfect  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic cotangent complex. Moreover, one has a natural equivalence

$$\mathbb{L}_{X_p^\wedge}^{\operatorname{ad}} \simeq (\mathbb{L}_X)^\wedge_p \in \operatorname{Mod}_X.$$

(**Todo:** Actually, state this in a precise way.)

(Personal: One would like to have a Representability theorem in the context of derived  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic geometry. Otherwise, it will be difficult to state precisely that geometric stacks like  $\operatorname{Perf}$  satisfy geometricity. Another way around this problem, might be by identifying such moduli with completion along the ideal  $(p) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_p$ .) (Personal: Notice that Artin-Lurie representability holds true for Noetherian  $\mathbb{E}_\infty$ -rings such that  $\pi_0(R)$  is a Grothendieck ring. In particular,  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  is an example of such so we do have Artin-Lurie Representability theorem for *algebraic* derived geometric  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -stacks.)

(Personal: Notice that we would like that our statements are true more generally. In particular, we would like to be able to treat the case of the moduli of  $p$ -divisible groups. However, this object is not geometric in our sense, since it does not admit a smooth covering. The only obstruction, it seems at this point, is to prove the existence of the local section, since for this we admit that we have a smooth covering of the form  $P \rightarrow Y$ .)

**Definition 1.1.7.** Let  $X : \mathcal{C}\operatorname{Alg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\operatorname{ad}} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ . We say that  $X$  satisfies *faithfully flat-descent* if for every faithfully flat morphism

$$f : A \rightarrow B,$$

in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{C}\operatorname{Alg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\operatorname{ad}}$ , one has a canonical equivalence

$$X(\check{C}(B/A)) \rightarrow X(A)$$

in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{S}$ , where  $\check{C}(B/A)$  denotes the  $p$ -complete Čech nerve associated to the morphism  $f : A \rightarrow B$ . (**Todo:** Define the  $p$ -complete Čech nerve.)

**Lemma 1.1.8.** Let  $X \in \operatorname{Shv}(\mathcal{C}\operatorname{Alg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}, \tau_{\operatorname{ét}})$  denote an étale sheaf with respect to the site  $(\mathcal{C}\operatorname{Alg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\operatorname{ad}}, \tau_{\operatorname{ét}})$ . Assume further that  $X$  satisfies fpqc-descent. Then the  $p$ -completion

$$X_p^\wedge : \mathcal{C}\operatorname{Alg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\operatorname{ad}} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$$

also satisfies fpqc-descent.

*Proof.* The result is an immediate consequence of the fact that limits preserve limits. (**Todo:** expand this proof.)  $\square$

**1.2. Integral perfectoid algebras.** Let  $R \in \mathcal{C}\operatorname{Alg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\operatorname{ad}}$  denote a  $\pi$ -adically complete and separated, for some element  $\pi \in R$ , (discrete)  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra. Denote by

$$\varphi : R/pR \rightarrow R/pR$$

the *absolute Frobenius* of  $R/pR$ . We define the *tilt* of  $S$ , denoted  $S^\flat$ , as the inverse limits

$$S^\flat := \lim_{\varphi} R/pR,$$

which is a *perfect*  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -algebra.

**Definition 1.2.1.** We define *Fontaine's ring* associated to  $R$  as

$$A_{\text{inf}}(R) := W(R^b).$$

(Personal: Maybe one can define  $A_{\text{inf}}(R)$  already as the pro-completion over the kernel of the projection map  $A_{\text{inf}}(R) \rightarrow R$ .)

**Definition 1.2.2.** Let  $R \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ . We say that  $R$  is an *integral perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra* if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) There exists an element  $\pi \in R$  such that  $R$  is  $\pi$ -adically complete and such that  $\pi^p | p$ ;
- (ii) The Frobenius morphism

$$\varphi: R/pR \rightarrow R/pR$$

is surjective;

- (iii) The kernel of the canonical morphism  $\theta: A_{\text{inf}}(R) \rightarrow R$  is generated by a single element.

**Example 1.2.3.** The following is a transcription of [?, Example 3.6]. If  $R$  is such that  $pR = 0$ , then  $R$  is necessarily perfect. Let  $\mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{cyc}} := (\mathbb{Z}_p[\zeta_{p^\infty}])_p^\wedge$  denote the  $p$ -adic completion of the ring of integers of the cyclotomic extension  $\mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^\infty})/\mathbb{Q}_p$ . Then  $\mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{cyc}}$  is a perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra. Replacing  $\mathbb{Q}_p(\zeta_{p^\infty})$  by any other algebraic extension of it and taking the ring the  $p$ -adic completion of its ring of integers provides also an integral perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra. The  $p$ -adic complete ring  $\mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{cyc}}\langle T^{1/p^\infty} \rangle$  is itself a perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra. So it is the perfectoid torus,  $\mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{cyc}}\langle T^{\pm 1/p^\infty} \rangle$ .

**Lemma 1.2.4.** Let  $R \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  be an integral perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra which is  $p$ -torsion free. Then  $R$  is (derived)  $p$ -complete.

*Proof.* Let  $R \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  be an integral perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra which we assume further to be  $p$ -torsion free. We wish to show that  $R$  is  $p$ -complete. Thanks to [?, Lemma 8.1.2.3], it suffices to show that the canonical map

$$R \rightarrow \lim_{n \geq 1} R_n$$

is an equivalence in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ . In our situation, we can identify, for each  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$R_n \simeq R \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathbb{Z}/p^n \mathbb{Z}.$$

Therefore, for each integer  $i \geq 0$ ,  $\pi_i(R_n) = 0$ , except in the case where  $i = 0, 1$ , in which we have  $\pi_1(R_n) = R[p^n] = 0$  and  $\pi_0(R_n) = R/p^n$ . Passing to inverse limits, the Milnor short exact sequence implies that  $\pi_i(R_p^\wedge) = 0$  for  $i > 0$ . For  $i = 0$ , we have a Milnor short exact sequence of the form

$$(1.2.1) \quad 0 \rightarrow \lim_{n \geq 1} \pi_0(R_n) \rightarrow \pi_0(R_p^\wedge) \rightarrow \lim_{n \geq 1} \pi_0(R_n) = R \rightarrow 0.$$

Since the transition maps in the pro-system  $\{R/p^n\}_{n \geq 1}$  are surjective, it follows that the left hand side in (??) vanishes. Therefore, one obtains an equivalence  $R_p^\wedge \simeq R$ , as desired.  $\square$

The following result is of fundamental importance for our purposes in the current text:

**Proposition 1.2.5.** Let  $R \rightarrow S$  be a morphism between integral perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebras in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ . Then  $\mathbb{L}_{S/R}^{\text{ad}} \simeq 0$ .

*Proof.* This is the content of [?, Proposition 3.14].  $\square$

**Remark 1.2.6.** Let  $f: R \rightarrow S$  be a morphism between integral perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebras in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ . Thanks to ?? it follows, in particular, that

$$\mathbb{L}_{S/R}^{\text{ad}} \otimes_R R_1 \simeq 0.$$

As a consequence, the morphism  $f: R \rightarrow S$  is *formally étale*. As a consequence, the morphism induced by  $f$ , at the level of tiltings,

$$\overline{f}^b: (R/p)^b \rightarrow (S/p)^b$$

lifts, by taking the Witt-vectors construction, to a deformation  $f_{\text{inf}}: A_{\text{inf}}(R) \rightarrow A_{\text{inf}}(S)$  which is the unique (up to isomorphism) such deformation of the morphism  $f$ . Moreover, since

$$S \simeq A_{\text{inf}}(S) \otimes_{A_{\text{inf}}(R)} R$$

in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  it follows that  $f_{\text{inf}}$  is the universal deformation of  $f$ .

**Lemma 1.2.7.** *Let  $R \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  denote an integral perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra. Then  $A_{\text{inf}}(R) \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  is  $p$ -torsion free.*

*Proof.* By construction, we have that  $A_{\text{inf}}(R) = W((R/pR)^{\flat})$ . The  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -algebra  $(R/p)^{\flat}$  is a perfect  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -algebra. For this reason,  $W((R/pR)^{\flat})$  is  $p$ -torsion free. (Todo: This result is certainly true, however a reference is still needed here.)  $\square$

The following two results will establish the precise relation between  $A_{\text{inf}}(R)$  and  $R$ , via obstruction theory, for perfectoid  $R$ :

**Lemma 1.2.8.** *The morphism  $\theta: A_{\text{inf}}(R) \rightarrow R$  is a pro-thickening morphism.*

*Proof.* This is a result due Fontaine.  $\square$

**Proposition 1.2.9.** *Let  $R \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  be a  $p$ -torsion free integral perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra. Then for every  $p$ -complete  $A \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  we have a natural equivalence of mapping spaces*

$$\theta: \text{Map}_{\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}}(A_{\text{inf}}(R), A) \simeq \text{Map}_{\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}}(R, \pi_0(A)_{\text{red}}).$$

*Proof.* Let  $f: R \rightarrow \pi_0(A)_{\text{red}}$  denote a continuous  $p$ -adic morphism. Given any continuous morphism  $f: R \rightarrow \pi_0(A)_{\text{red}}$  we obtain, by base change along the morphism  $\mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_p$ , a well defined morphism

$$\bar{f}_{\text{red},1}: (R/p)^{\flat} \rightarrow \pi_0(A)_{\text{red},1}.$$

Since  $(R/p)^{\flat}$  is a perfect  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -algebra, it follows that  $\bar{f}_1$  lifts canonically to a uniquely (up to isomorphism) defined morphism of  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -algebras

$$\bar{f}_1: (R/p)^{\flat} \rightarrow \pi_0(A)_1.$$

We shall prove, by induction on the Postnikov tower for  $A \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ , that  $\bar{f}_1$  lifts uniquely (up to a contractible space of indeterminacy) to a well defined morphism

$$\bar{f}_1: (R/p)^{\flat} \rightarrow A_1.$$

The case  $n = 0$  has already been dealt with. Suppose now that for  $n \geq 0$  we have constructed a unique, up to contractible indeterminacy, morphism

$$\bar{f}(n): (R/p)^{\flat} \rightarrow \tau_{\leq n} A_1$$

in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ . Indeed, consider the natural derivation, at level  $n$  for  $A$ ,

$$d_n: \tau_{\leq n} A_1 \rightarrow \tau_{\leq n} A_1 \oplus \pi_{n+1}(A_1)[n+2].$$

Pre-composition with  $\bar{f}_1(n): (R/p)^{\flat} \rightarrow \tau_{\leq n} A_1$  induces a morphism

$$(R/p)^{\flat} \rightarrow \tau_{\leq n} A_1 \rightarrow \tau_{\leq n} A \oplus \pi_{n+1}(A_1)[n+2],$$

over  $\tau_{\leq n} A$ . Moreover, we have canonical identification of mapping spaces

$$\text{Map}_{(\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}})_{/\tau_{\leq n}(A_1)}}((R/p)^{\flat}, \tau_{\leq n} A_1 \oplus \pi_{n+1}(A_1)[n+2]) \simeq \text{Map}_{\text{Mod}_{(R/p)^{\flat}}}(\mathbb{L}_{(R/p)^{\flat}}^{\text{ad}}, \pi_{n+1}(A_1)[n+2])$$

As  $(R/p)^{\flat}$  is a perfect  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -algebra, it follows that  $\mathbb{L}_{(R/p)^{\flat}}^{\text{ad}} \simeq 0$ . Therefore, the morphism  $\bar{f}_1(n)$  lifts uniquely into a morphism a well defined morphism

$$\bar{f}_1(n+1): (R/p)^{\flat} \rightarrow \tau_{\leq n+1} A_1,$$

in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  and the inductive step is proved. Passing to inverse limits we obtain a well defined morphism

$$\bar{f}_1: (R/p)^{\flat} \rightarrow A_1$$

in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ . Moreover, as  $(R/p)^{\flat}$  is a perfect  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -algebra, it follows that  $A_{\text{inf}}(R)/p^n \simeq W_n(R/p^{\flat})$  in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ . By the universal property of  $p$ -typical Witt vectors one obtains, for each integer  $n \geq 1$ , uniquely defined (up to contractible indeterminacy) morphisms

$$\bar{f}_n: A_{\text{inf}}(R)/p^n \rightarrow A_n.$$

(Personal: Notice that the universal property of Witt vectors is derived in nature. For example, given two objects  $A, B \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  we can find resolutions by polynomial algebras of these, seen as  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -simplicial algebras. We obtain thus a morphism of simplicial polynomial algebras of the form  $\varphi: P_{\bullet} \rightarrow Q_{\bullet}$ . If  $Q_{\bullet}$  is defined over

some  $\mathbb{Z}_p/p^n$  then applying Witt vectors component-wise to  $P_\bullet$  provides a uniquely defined (up to contractible homotopy)  $W_n(P_\bullet) \rightarrow Q_\bullet$  and thus  $W_n(A) \rightarrow B$  in  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ . Passing to the limit one obtains a unique lift (up to contractible indeterminacy)  $\bar{f}: A_{\text{inf}}(R) \rightarrow A$ . (Personal: One still does not have showed the contractibility of the fiber of the morphism  $\theta$ , but our reasoning applies to show contractibility of higher coherences, since everything is done via universal properties.) (Todo: Write this more precisely)

□

**Corollary 1.2.10.** *Let  $R \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  be an integral perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra. Then  $\text{Spf}(A_{\text{inf}}(R)) \simeq (\text{Spf}(R))_{\text{dR}}$  in the  $\infty$ -category  $\text{Shv}_{\text{fpqc}}(\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}})$ .*

*Proof.* This is a direct consequence of ?? and the construction of the de Rham stack associated to a formal spectrum. (Todo: Write this a bit better.)

□

The following result shows that every object  $A \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  which is regular and Noetherian admits a faithfully flat map to a perfectoid ring:

**Theorem 1.2.11.** *Let  $A \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  be a discrete  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic algebra. Then  $A$  is Noetherian and regular if and only if exists a faithfully flat morphism*

$$A \rightarrow A_\infty,$$

*in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ , where  $A_\infty \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  is an integral perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra.*

*Proof.* This is precisely the content of the main result [?, Theorem 4.7].

□

**Remark 1.2.12.** Let  $\mathbb{T}^n := \text{Spf}(\mathbb{Z}_p\langle T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_n^{\pm 1} \rangle)$  denote the formal torus of dimension  $n$ . We define

$$\mathbb{T}^n(p^\infty) := \text{Spf}(\mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{cyc}}\langle T_1^{\pm 1/p^\infty}, \dots, T_n^{\pm 1/p^\infty} \rangle).$$

We have a canonical morphism

$$\pi_n: \mathbb{T}^n(p^\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^n$$

which is an fpqc-covering and exhibits  $\mathbb{T}^n(p^\infty)$  as a  $\Gamma := \mathbb{Z}_p(1)^n$ -torsor over  $\mathbb{T}^n$ . (Todo: justify this with a refenrece. Does  $\Gamma$  really have the correct dimension?) In this case, we construct an explicit faithfully flat covering of  $\mathbb{T}^n$ . Moreover, suppose that we have an étale morphism (Todo: Does étale really suffices or do we really finite étale? Check this.)

$$\text{Spf } R \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^n,$$

where  $R \in \mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ . Then we have a perfectoid covering

$$\text{Spf}(R_\infty) \rightarrow \text{Spf}(R)$$

where  $R_\infty := R \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p\langle T_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, T_n^{\pm 1} \rangle} \mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{cyc}}\langle T_1^{\pm 1/p^\infty}, \dots, T_n^{\pm 1/p^\infty} \rangle$ . Then  $R_\infty$  is an integral perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra, (Todo: Check this!) which provides us with a faithfully flat morphism

$$R \rightarrow R_\infty$$

in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ . (Todo: Check that  $\text{Spf } R_\infty$  is quasi-compact.)

**1.3. Smooth morphisms between derived  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic geometric stacks.** In this § we wish to prove the following:

**Theorem 1.3.1.** *Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  denote a smooth morphism in the  $\infty$ -category  $\text{dSt}^{\text{ad}}$ . Then, locally on both  $X$  and  $Y$ ,  $f$  can be factored as a composite*

$$X \xrightarrow{g} Y \times \mathfrak{A}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^n \xrightarrow{\text{pr}_1} Y$$

where  $g$  is an étale map of derived  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic geometric stacks and  $\text{pr}_1$  denotes the canonical projection.

**1.4. Assumptions.** First of all we will define the context in which we are going to work through. Let us denote  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$  the  $\infty$ -category of adic  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -simplicial algebras, introduced in [?]. We consider the  $\infty$ -category  $\text{dSt}^{\text{ad}}(\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}, \tau_{\text{ét}}, \text{P}_{\text{sm}})$  of *derived  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic geometric stacks*. Suppose we are given a diagram of the form

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \xrightarrow{p} & X \\ \downarrow q & & \\ Y & & \end{array}$$

where  $M \in \text{dSch}$  is a smooth  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic scheme and  $X, Y \in \text{dSt}^{\text{ad}}(\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}, \tau_{\text{ét}}, \text{P}_{\text{sm}})$ . Throughout the text,  $p$  denotes a smooth surjective morphism and  $q$  a smooth morphism of derived  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic geometric stacks. We assume further that  $Y$  satisfies *fpqc descent*. (Personal: The need to assume that  $Y$  satisfies fpqc descent boils down to the fact that the étale topology is not sufficient for many of our purposes. Namely, in order to compute the correct mapping spaces of derived  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic geometric stacks one needs to pass to perfectoid coverings, in a similar vein as in BMS1. More precisely, given a Noetherian regular algebra  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra  $A$ , by a theorem of Bhatt, Iyengar and Ma one knows that there exists a faithfully flat morphism  $A \rightarrow A_{\infty}$ , where  $A_{\infty}$  is integral perfectoid. Furthermore, by a celebrated result of Abhyankar one can suppose further that  $A_{\infty}$  admits all  $p$ -th power roots of unity, thus living over the perfectoid covering  $\mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{cyc}}$  of  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ . However, it seems that, in general, the morphism  $A \rightarrow A_{\infty}$  is not étale or even weak étale in the sense of [?]. Therefore, in order to be able to reduce our local computations to computations involving the perfectoid nature of suitable algebras, one needs to assume  $Y$  to satisfy fpqc descent. This is indeed the case when  $Y = \text{Perf}, \text{QCoh}^{\heartsuit}, \text{QCoh}, \text{Bun}_G$ , where  $G$  denotes a reductive group,  $X$  a formal scheme,  $BG$ , for  $G$  a formal group scheme or a  $p$ -divisible group,  $\mathcal{M}_{\text{FM}}$  the moduli space of  $p$ -divisible groups, etc.)

Our goal is to prove a mixed characteristic analogue of a theorem of Van Est, in the context of (derived) differential geometry, proved in great generality by J. Nuiten using the Koszul duality for Lie algebroids, see [?]. (Todo: Recall the statement) (Todo: Check that the geometricity of the stack  $Y$  is really need or we can relax a bit the assumptions on  $Y$ , in order for the result to be compatible with  $\mathcal{M}_{\text{FM}}$ , for example.)

## 2. THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL SECTION

We want to prove a connectivity statement for the canonical morphism of mapping spaces

$$\text{Map}_{M/}(X, Y) \rightarrow \text{Map}_{\text{dSt}^{\text{ad}}}(X_M^{\wedge}, Y_M^{\wedge}).$$

Suppose then that we are given a morphism of sheaves

$$X_M^{\wedge} \rightarrow Y.$$

Assume further that we have a smooth covering  $\pi: P \rightarrow Y$ , in the  $\infty$ -category  $\text{dSt}^{\text{ad}}(\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}, \tau_{\text{ét}}, \text{P}_{\text{sm}})$  and form the pullback square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} P' & \longrightarrow & P \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X_M^{\wedge} & \longrightarrow & Y. \end{array}$$

In particular, the natural morphism  $P' \rightarrow X_M^{\wedge}$  is a smooth covering. Moreover, we have a natural inclusion morphism

$$M \rightarrow X_M^{\wedge}.$$

Our goal is to lift the morphism  $X_M^{\wedge} \rightarrow Y$  to a morphism  $M \rightarrow P$  which induces a well defined morphism at the level of Čech nerves

$$\check{C}(M_{\bullet}/X) \rightarrow \check{C}(P_{\bullet}/Y).$$

In order to do so, we will construct a section of the smooth morphism

$$P' \rightarrow X_M^{\wedge},$$

which induces, via composition, a morphism  $M \rightarrow P$ . The construction of the section is a local construction and it is precisely in this situation that we will use the setting of integral perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebras.

**Lemma 2.0.1.** *If such a section to  $X_M^{\wedge} \rightarrow P'$  exists then it induces such a morphism at the level of Čech nerves*

$$\check{C}(M_{\bullet}/X) \rightarrow \check{C}(P_{\bullet}/Y)$$

**2.1. First reduction step.** Let  $r: U \rightarrow X$  denote a morphism in  $\mathrm{dSt}^{\mathrm{ad}}(\mathcal{C}\mathrm{Alg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\mathrm{ad}}, \tau_t, \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{sm}})$  such that

$$U := \mathrm{Spf} A$$

is a derived affinoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic scheme.

(Personal: Do we have to impose assumptions on the morphism  $U \rightarrow X$ , such as being Zariski open, étale?)

**Proposition 2.1.1.** *Up to shrinking  $U$  we can suppose that the pullback of the smooth covering map  $p: M \rightarrow X$  along  $r$  can be realized as a composition of the form*

$$U \times \mathrm{Spf} R \xrightarrow{g} U \times \mathbb{T}^n \xrightarrow{\mathrm{pr}_1} U,$$

where  $g$  is an étale morphism. Moreover,  $g$  itself factors as a composite

$$U \times \mathrm{Spf} R \xrightarrow{g'} U \times W \xrightarrow{s} U \times \mathbb{T}^n,$$

where  $g'$  corresponds to a rational domain inclusion and  $s$  is a finite étale map.

**Remark 2.1.2.** The second part of the above statement might not be necessary for our purposes. However I am not sure yet.

**Notation 2.1.3.** We will denote by  $\mathbb{Z}_p^{\mathrm{cyc}}$  the integral perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra obtained from  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  by adding all  $p$ -th roots of unity to  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  and performing a  $p$ -adic completion.

Assuming ?? holds, one can further proceed to show that:

**Lemma 2.1.4.** *There exists a commutative diagram, (Personal: possibly cartesian and fpqc coverings?), of the form*

$$(2.1.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} U^{\mathrm{cyc}} \times_{\mathrm{Spf} \mathbb{Z}_p^{\mathrm{cyc}}} \mathrm{Spf} R_{\infty} & \longrightarrow & U \times \mathrm{Spf} R \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ U^{\mathrm{cyc}} \times_{\mathrm{Spf} \mathbb{Z}_p^{\mathrm{cyc}}} \mathbb{T}^n(p^{\infty}) & \longrightarrow & U \times \mathbb{T}^n \\ & \searrow & \downarrow \\ & & U \end{array}$$

in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathrm{Shv}_{\mathrm{fpqc}}(\mathcal{C}\mathrm{Alg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\mathrm{ad}})$ . Here

$$U^{\mathrm{cyc}} := U \times \mathrm{Spf} \mathbb{Z}_p^{\mathrm{cyc}}$$

and

$$\mathbb{T}(p^{\infty}) \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$$

denotes the perfectoid cover of the torus  $\mathbb{T}$ , given by adding  $p$ -th roots of unity to  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  and  $p$ -th roots of the (free invertible) variables on  $\mathbb{T}$ .

**Lemma 2.1.5.** *The fpqc-covering  $\mathbb{T}(p^{\infty}) \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$  is a  $\Gamma := \prod_n \mathbb{Z}_p(1)$ -torsor, for the fpqc-topology, which is compatible with the fpqc- $\mathbb{Z}_p(1)$ -torsor*

$$\mathrm{Spf} \mathbb{Z}_p^{\mathrm{cyc}} \rightarrow \mathrm{Spf} \mathbb{Z}_p.$$

**Proposition 2.1.6.** *The pullback square of derived  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic geometric stacks*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U \times \mathrm{Spf} R & \longrightarrow & M \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow p \\ U & \longrightarrow & X \end{array}$$

induces a canonical morphism  $U \times (\mathrm{Spf} R)_{\mathrm{dR}} \rightarrow X_M^{\wedge}$ . Moreover, if the morphism  $U \rightarrow X$  is surjective or a covering (namely, an effective epimorphism of sheaves) then so is the canonical morphism

$$U \times (\mathrm{Spf} R)_{\mathrm{dR}} \rightarrow X_M^{\wedge}.$$

**2.2. Further reductions.** Our initial situation can be thus translated as follows: consider the chain of pullback diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \tilde{P}'' & \longrightarrow & \tilde{P}' & \longrightarrow & \tilde{P} & \longrightarrow & P \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 U \times \mathrm{Spf} R & \longrightarrow & M & \longrightarrow & X_M^\wedge & \longrightarrow & Y \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \\
 U & \longrightarrow & X & & & & 
 \end{array}$$

The induced morphism  $U \times \mathrm{Spf} R \rightarrow X_M^\wedge$  factors as

$$(2.2.1) \quad U \times \mathrm{Spf} R \rightarrow U \times (\mathrm{Spf} R)_{\mathrm{dR}} \rightarrow X_M^\wedge.$$

Consider the following *pullback* diagram in the  $\infty$ -category,  $\mathrm{Shv}_{\mathrm{fpqc}}(\mathcal{C}\mathrm{Alg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\mathrm{ad}})$ , (**Personal: is it really a pullback diagram?**),

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathrm{Spf} R_\infty & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{Spf} R \\
 \downarrow \theta & & \downarrow \\
 \mathrm{Spf} A_{\mathrm{dR}}(R_\infty) & \longrightarrow & (\mathrm{Spf} R)_{\mathrm{dR}},
 \end{array}$$

where  $A_{\mathrm{dR}}(R_\infty)$  denotes the completion with respect to the kernel (structural) ring homomorphism

$$\theta: A_{\mathrm{inf}}(R_\infty) \rightarrow R_\infty,$$

which, by the perfectoid nature of  $R_\infty$ , is generated by a single element  $\varepsilon \in A_{\mathrm{inf}}(R_\infty)$ .

**Lemma 2.2.1.** *Let  $R_\infty \in \mathcal{C}\mathrm{Alg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\mathrm{ad}}$  denote a perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra and consider the (structural) morphism*

$$\theta: A_{\mathrm{inf}}(R_\infty) \rightarrow R_\infty.$$

*Then  $\theta$  exhibits  $\mathrm{Spf} A_{\mathrm{dR}}(R_\infty)$  as the de Rham stack associated to  $\mathrm{Spf} R_\infty$ ,  $(\mathrm{Spf} R_\infty)_{\mathrm{dR}}$ . Furthermore, if we are given a faithfully flat morphism  $R \rightarrow R_\infty$ , where  $R$  is a regular Noetherian  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -adic algebra, then  $\mathrm{Spf} A_{\mathrm{dR}}(R_\infty) \rightarrow (\mathrm{Spf} R)_{\mathrm{dR}}$  is a fpqc morphism.*

Restricting further along the faithfully flat morphisms  $\mathrm{Spf} R_\infty \rightarrow \mathrm{Spf} R$  and  $\mathrm{Spf} A_{\mathrm{dR}}(R_\infty) \rightarrow (\mathrm{Spf} R)_{\mathrm{dR}}$  one obtains thus a pullback square of the form

$$(2.2.2) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} P_\infty & \longrightarrow & \tilde{P}_\infty \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ U^{\mathrm{cyc}} \times_{\mathrm{Spf} \mathbb{Z}_p^{\mathrm{cyc}}} \mathrm{Spf} R_\infty & \longrightarrow & U^{\mathrm{cyc}} \times_{\mathrm{Spf} \mathbb{Z}_p^{\mathrm{cyc}}} \mathrm{Spf} A_{\mathrm{dR}}(R_\infty) \end{array}$$

in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathrm{Shv}_{\mathrm{fpqc}}(\mathcal{C}\mathrm{Alg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\mathrm{ad}})$ .

**Remark 2.2.2.** Notice that, up to shrinking  $U$  mapping into  $X$ , one can assume that the smooth map  $\tilde{P}'' \rightarrow U \times \mathrm{Spf} R$ , displayed in diagram (??), is actually of the form

$$U \times \mathrm{Spf} R \times \mathrm{Spf} S \rightarrow U \times \mathrm{Spf} R,$$

where  $\mathrm{Spf} S$  admits a suitable étale morphism to a torus  $\mathrm{Spf} S \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^m$ .

For this reason, building upon what we have discussed so far, one can actually suppose that the diagram (??) is of the form

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 U^{\mathrm{cyc}} \times_{\mathrm{Spf} \mathbb{Z}_p^{\mathrm{cyc}}} \mathrm{Spf} S_\infty \times_{\mathrm{Spf} \mathbb{Z}_p^{\mathrm{cyc}}} \mathrm{Spf} R_\infty & \longrightarrow & \tilde{P} \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 U^{\mathrm{cyc}} \times_{\mathrm{Spf} \mathbb{Z}_p^{\mathrm{cyc}}} \mathrm{Spf} R_\infty & \longrightarrow & U^{\mathrm{cyc}} \times_{\mathrm{Spf} \mathbb{Z}_p^{\mathrm{cyc}}} \mathrm{Spf} A_{\mathrm{dR}}(R_\infty),
 \end{array}$$

where  $S_\infty$  is a perfectoid  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -algebra which admits a faithfully flat morphism of the form  $S \rightarrow S_\infty$ . Moreover, as before, we can assume that  $S_\infty$  admits all  $p$ -th roots of unity and  $p$ -th roots of the (invertible free) variable over  $\mathbb{T}^m$  (**Todo: make this assertion more precise**). In particular, we deduce that  $S_\infty$  is naturally a  $\mathbb{Z}_p^{\mathrm{cyc}}$ -algebra.



**2.3. Existence and descent properties of local sections.** In order to construct the desired section one would be reduced to show the following:

**Notation 2.3.1.** We denote by  $\widehat{\otimes}$  the  $p$ -complete tensor product in the  $\infty$ -category  $\mathcal{CAlg}_{\mathbb{Z}_p}^{\text{ad}}$ .

**Proposition 2.3.2.** *The adic cotangent complex*

$$\mathbb{L}_{S_\infty \widehat{\otimes}_p R_\infty / R_\infty}^{\text{ad}} \simeq 0.$$

*In particular, there are no obstructions to find a deformation of the morphism*

$$U^{\text{cyc}} \times_{\text{Spf } \mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{cyc}}} \text{Spf } S_\infty \times_{\text{Spf } \mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{cyc}}} \text{Spf } R_\infty \rightarrow U^{\text{cyc}} \times_{\text{Spf } \mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{cyc}}} \text{Spf } R_\infty.$$

**Corollary 2.3.3.** *The deformation morphism  $\tilde{q}: \tilde{P} \rightarrow U^{\text{cyc}} \times_{\mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{cyc}}} \text{Spf } A_{\text{dR}}(R_\infty)$  of the projection*

$$U^{\text{cyc}} \times_{\text{Spf } \mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{cyc}}} \text{Spf } S_\infty \times_{\text{Spf } \mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{cyc}}} \text{Spf } R_\infty \rightarrow U^{\text{cyc}} \times_{\mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{cyc}}} \text{Spf } A_{\text{dR}}(R_\infty)$$

*corresponds to the trivial deformation. In particular, it admits a section.*

**Theorem 2.3.4.** *There exists a choice of a section  $s: \text{Spf } A_{\text{dR}}(R_\infty) \rightarrow \tilde{P}$  of  $\tilde{q}$  which is  $\Gamma$ -equivariant. In particular, it descends to a section of the morphism*

$$\tilde{q}: \tilde{P} \rightarrow U \times (\text{Spf } R)_{\text{dR}}$$

(Personal: In order for the section  $s$  constructed above to descend, does one need to show that

$$\tilde{q}: \tilde{P} \rightarrow U^{\text{cyc}} \times_{\mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{cyc}}} \text{Spf } A_{\text{dR}}(R_\infty)$$

$\tilde{q}: \tilde{P} \rightarrow U^{\text{cyc}} \times_{\mathbb{Z}_p^{\text{cyc}}} \text{Spf } A_{\text{dR}}(R_\infty)$  is also a  $\Gamma$ -torsor?)

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