

# Affine Objects

Mohamed Hashi

May 19, 2016

# 1 Preliminaries

## 1.1 Topology

**Definition 1** (Sieve). Let  $C$  be a category and  $a \in C$ . A sieve  $S$  on  $a$  is a subpresheaf of  $h(a)$ . Explicitly, for each  $c \in C$ ,  $S(c)$  is a subset of  $\text{Hom}(c, a)$  such that  $fg \in S(\text{Dom}(g))$  for all  $f \in S(c)$  and for all  $g \in h(c)$ .

The maximal sieve on  $a$ , which is  $h(a)$ , will be denoted by  $\max(a)$ .

**Definition 2** (Sieve category). Let  $C$  be a category and  $a \in C$ . The sieve category  $\text{Sieves}(a)$  is the subobject poset of the presheaf  $h(a)$ .

**Definition 3** (Pullback of sieve). Let  $C$  be a category and  $a, b \in C$ . Let  $S$  be a sieve on  $a$ . Let  $f : b \rightarrow a$ .

For any  $c \in C$  the sieve  $f^*S$  on  $b$  is given by  $f^*S(c) = \{g \in \text{Hom}(c, b) : fg \in S(c)\}$ .

To show that this is actually a subpresheaf of  $h(b)$ , let  $k : c \rightarrow c'$  and  $h \in f^*S(c')$ . Hence  $fh \in S(c')$  and so  $fhk \in S(c)$ . Conclude that  $hk \in f^*S(c')$ .

This defines a functor  $f^* : \text{Sieves}(a) \rightarrow \text{Sieves}(b)$ .

**Definition 4** (Grothendieck Topology). A Grothendieck topology  $\mathcal{T}$  is a family  $\mathcal{T}(a)$  of 'covering' sieves for every  $a \in C$  with the following conditions:

- $\max(a) \in \mathcal{T}(a)$
- $f^*R \in \mathcal{T}(a')$  if  $R \in \mathcal{T}(a)$  for all  $f : a' \rightarrow a$
- if  $f^*R \in \mathcal{T}(a')$  for all  $f \in S$  with  $S \in \mathcal{T}(a)$  then  $R \in \mathcal{T}(a)$

**Definition 5** (Basis). Let  $C$  be a category with pullbacks. A Grothendieck pretopology  $\mathcal{B}$  is a collection  $\mathcal{B}(a)$  of families  $\{f_i : a_i \rightarrow a\}$  of 'covering' morphisms for every  $a \in C$  with the following conditions.

## 1 Preliminaries

- every isomorphism is a covering singleton family,
- (Stability) The pullback of a covering family is a covering family. If  $\{f_i : a_i \rightarrow a\}$  is covering and  $g : b \rightarrow a$ , then  $\{f'_i : a_i \times_a b \rightarrow b\}$  is covering.
- (Transitivity) If  $\{f_i : a_i \rightarrow a\}$  is a covering family and  $\{f_{ij} : a_{ij} \rightarrow a_i\}$  for every  $i$ , then  $\{f_{ij} : a_{ij} \rightarrow a\}$  is a covering family.

Generating a topology from a basis: take any sieve containing a covering family to be a covering sieve.

### 1.1.1 Sheaves

**Definition 6** (Sheaves). Let  $(C, \mathcal{T})$  be a site. Let  $\mathfrak{F} \in \hat{C}$ .

A presheaf that admits a unique amalgamation for every matching family is called a sheaf. The category  $\text{Shv}(C)$  is the full subcategory in  $\hat{C}$  all sheaves. Let  $i$  be the inclusion functor  $\text{Shv}(C) \rightarrow \hat{C}$ .

In other words, we call  $\mathfrak{F}$  a sheaf if the map

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{F}(a) &\rightarrow \mathfrak{F}(R) \\ a : x &\mapsto \{\mathfrak{F}(i)(x)\}_{i \in R} \end{aligned}$$

is an isomorphism.

**Definition 7** (Plus construction). Let  $(C, \mathcal{T})$  be a site. Let  $a, a' \in C$  and  $f : a \rightarrow a'$ . Let  $\mathfrak{F} \in \hat{C}$ . Define the functor  $(-)^+ : \hat{C} \rightarrow \hat{C}$  as follows

On objects:

$$(\mathfrak{F})^+(a) = \frac{\{(R, \varphi) \mid R \in \mathcal{T}(a), \varphi \in \Gamma(R; \mathfrak{F})\}}{\sim},$$

$$(\mathfrak{F})^+(f)([(R, \varphi)]) = [(f^*R, \varphi h(f))].$$

The equivalence relation is defined as:

$$(R, \varphi) \sim (S, \phi)$$

## 1 Preliminaries

if  $\varphi = \phi$  on some  $Q \subset R \cap S$

Let  $L : \mathfrak{F} \rightarrow \mathfrak{F}'$ . Then

$$((L)^+)_a([(R, \varphi)]) = [(R, L \circ \varphi)]$$

This functor comes with a natural transformation  $\omega : \text{Id} \rightarrow (-)^+$  defined by

$$\omega_{\mathfrak{F}, a}(x) = [(\max(a), y]$$

$$y(i) = \mathfrak{F}(i)(x).$$

**Lemma 8.** *Let  $\mathfrak{F}$  be a presheaf,  $\mathfrak{G}$  a sheaf and  $g : \mathfrak{F} \rightarrow \mathfrak{G}$  a morphism in  $\hat{\mathcal{C}}$ . Then  $g$  factors through  $\omega_{\mathfrak{F}}$  via a unique  $g'$ .*

**Lemma 9.** *For every presheaf  $\mathfrak{F}$ ,  $(\mathfrak{F})^+$  is separated.*

**Lemma 10.** *If  $\mathfrak{F}$  is separated, then  $\mathfrak{F}$  is a sheaf.*

**Definition 11.** Define  $\text{sh} = (-)^+ \circ (-)^+$ .

**Lemma 12** (Sheafification adjunction). *Let  $Y = (C, \mathcal{T})$  be a site. The functor  $\text{sh}$  is left adjoint to the inclusion  $\hat{Y} \rightarrow \text{Shv}(C)$  with unit*

$$\omega_{\mathfrak{F}}^2 = \omega_{(\mathfrak{F})^+} \circ \omega_{\mathfrak{F}}$$

### 1.1.2 Relative topology

**Definition 13** (Relative topology). Let  $(C, \mathcal{T})$  be a site. Let  $a \in C$ .

Set  $\mathcal{T}_a(f) = \{R^f : R \in \mathcal{T}(b)\}$ . Define the induced topology  $\mathcal{T}_a$  on  $C_a$  by, for each  $f \in C_a$

$$\mathcal{T}_a(f) = Q^f(\mathcal{T}(\text{Dom}(f))).$$

**Lemma 14.**  $\mathcal{T}_a$  defines a Grothendieck topology

*Proof.* Axiom 1:  $Q^f$  is an equivalence of posets. So the terminal object is sent to the terminal object. Hence  $\max(f) \in \mathcal{T}_a(f)$ .

Axiom 2 & 3 are consequences of:  $Q^f$  is an equivalence and  $Q^f$  commutes with sieve pullback. ■

## 1 Preliminaries

**Definition 15** (Oversite). Let  $Y = (C, \mathcal{T})$  be a site. Let  $a \in C$ . Define the site  $Y_a$  to be the category  $C_a$  with the induced topology  $T_a$ .

**Definition 16** (Natural transformation  $s$ ). Let  $(C, \mathcal{T})$  be a site. Let  $a, b \in C$  and  $f : b \rightarrow a$ .

Let  $\{x_i\}$  be a compatible family indexed by a sieve  $R$  on  $b$ . The same set  $\{x_i\}$  is a compatible family on  $f$  indexed by  $Q^f(R)$ . Define the natural transformation

$$s : u \circ (-)^+ \rightarrow (u \circ -)^+$$

$$s_{\mathfrak{F}} : u \circ (\mathfrak{F})^+ \rightarrow (u \circ \mathfrak{F})^+$$

$$s_{\mathfrak{F},f}([(x_i)_{i \in R}]) = [(x_i)_{i \in Q^f(R)}].$$

**Lemma 17** (Restriction commutes with plus). *The transformation  $s_{\mathfrak{F}}$  is an isomorphism of functors.*

*Proof.* We use the variables from definition ?. The morphism  $s_{\mathfrak{F},f}$  has an inverse, again sending the set to itself and applying  $Q^f$  on the indexing sieve. These are mutual inverses, so  $s_{\mathfrak{F},f}$  is an isomorphism for each  $f$ . ■

**Lemma 18** ( $s$  and  $\omega$  commute). *Let  $\mathfrak{F}$  be a presheaf on  $(C, \mathcal{T})$ . Let  $f : b \rightarrow a \in C$ . Then  $\omega_{u \circ \mathfrak{F}} = s_{\mathfrak{F}} \circ (u \circ \omega_{\mathfrak{F}})$ .*

*Proof.* For any section  $x \in \Gamma(b; \mathfrak{F})$ . Let  $x_i = \mathfrak{F}(i)(x)$  for any morphism  $i \in C$ . Note that  $Q^f(\max(f)) = \max(b)$ . This implies that the compatible family  $\{x_i\}$  indexed by the maximal sieve on  $f$  is sent by  $s$  to the same set  $\{x_i\}$  indexed by the maximal sieve on  $b$ . In diagram form, that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} u \circ \mathfrak{F} & & \\ \downarrow u \circ \omega_{\mathfrak{F}} & \searrow \omega_{u \circ \mathfrak{F}} & \\ u \circ (\mathfrak{F})^+ & \xrightarrow{s} & (u \circ \mathfrak{F})^+ \end{array}$$

commutes. ■

## 1 Preliminaries

**Corollary 19.** *Let  $(C, \mathcal{T}, \mathfrak{D})$  be a ringed site. Let  $b \in C$ . Let  $M$  be a  $\Gamma(1; \mathfrak{D})$ -module. The morphism  $\omega_{\lambda(M), 1, b}^2 : \lambda(M)(b) \rightarrow \Lambda(M)(b)$  is isomorphic to*

$$\omega_{\lambda(M \otimes \mathfrak{D}(b)), b, Id_b}^2 : \lambda(\lambda(M \otimes \mathfrak{D}(b))) \rightarrow \Lambda(\lambda(M \otimes \mathfrak{D}(b))).$$

**Definition 20.** Let  $P$  be the plus functor and  $U = u \circ -$ . Define

$$s^2 : U \circ P \circ P \rightarrow P \circ P \circ U$$

as

$$s_{\mathfrak{F}}^2 = P(s_{\mathfrak{F}}) \circ s_{P(\mathfrak{F})}.$$

**Lemma 21.** *Let  $\mathfrak{F}$  be a presheaf on  $(C, \mathcal{T})$ . Let  $f : b \rightarrow a \in C$ . Let  $\mathfrak{F}$  be a presheaf on  $C$ . Then  $\omega_{u \circ \mathfrak{F}}^2 = s_{\mathfrak{F}}^2 \circ (u \circ \omega_{\mathfrak{F}}^2)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $a \in C$ . We have

$$\omega_{u \circ \mathfrak{F}}^2 = \omega_{(u \circ \mathfrak{F})^+} \circ \omega_{u \circ \mathfrak{F}},$$

$$s_{\mathfrak{F}}^2 = (s_{\mathfrak{F}})^+ \circ s_{(\mathfrak{F})^+},$$

$$u \circ \omega_{\mathfrak{F}}^2 = u \circ (\omega_{(\mathfrak{F})^+} \circ \omega_{\mathfrak{F}}).$$

Let  $x \in \Gamma(b; u \circ \mathfrak{F})$ .

Then

$$\omega_{u \circ \mathfrak{F}, f}^2(x) = ((x_i)_{i \in \max(\text{Dom}(j))})_{j \in \max(f)}$$

with  $x_i = \mathfrak{F}i(x)$ . We also have

$$u \circ \omega_{\mathfrak{F}, f}^2(x) = ((x_i)_{i \in \max(\text{Dom}(j))})_{j \in \max(b)},$$

where  $\text{Dom}(j) \in C_a$ . Apply  $s_{(\mathfrak{F})^+}$  on this to get

$$((x_i)_{i \in \max(\text{Dom}(j))})_{j \in \max(f)},$$

where  $\text{Dom}(j) \in C$ . Lastly, apply  $(s_{(\mathfrak{F})^+})^+$  to get

$$((x_i)_{i \in \max(\text{Dom}(j))})_{j \in \max(f)}$$

where  $\text{Dom}(j) \in C_a$ . The statement of the lemma is established. ■

## 1 Preliminaries

**Corollary 22.** *Let  $Y = (C, \mathcal{T})$ . Let  $a, b \in C$ . Let  $f : b \rightarrow a$ . Sheafifying and restricting commute via the iso*

$$s^2 : \text{sh}_b \circ *|_b \rightarrow *|_b \circ \text{sh}_a.$$

**Lemma 23** ( $\lambda$  commutes with restriction). *Let  $(C, \mathcal{T}, \mathfrak{D})$  be a ringed site. Let  $f : b \rightarrow a \in C$ . The functors  $u \circ \lambda$  and  $\lambda \circ (- \otimes \Gamma(a; \mathfrak{D}))$  are the same functor.*

**Lemma 24** ( $\lambda$  counit commute with restriction). *Let  $C$  be a category. Let  $a \in C$ . Let  $\epsilon$  be the counit of the adjunction  $\lambda \dashv \Gamma(1; -)$  on  $C$ . Let  $\epsilon_a$  be the counit of the adjunction  $\lambda_a \dashv \Gamma(1; -)$  on  $C_a$ . Let  $\mathfrak{F}$  be a presheaf module on  $C$ . By lemma ?,  $\lambda(\Gamma(1; \mathfrak{F}))|_a = \lambda(\Gamma(1; \mathfrak{F}) \otimes \Gamma(a; \mathfrak{D}))$ . We have  $u \circ (\epsilon) = \epsilon_a$  on this presheaf module.*

*Proof.* Let  $f : b \rightarrow a \in C_a$ . Let  $m \otimes r \in \lambda(\Gamma(1; \mathfrak{F}) \otimes \Gamma(a; \mathfrak{D}))(f) = \Gamma(1; \mathfrak{F}) \otimes \Gamma(b; \mathfrak{D})$ . Then both maps do  $m \otimes r \mapsto rm$ . ■

**Lemma 25** ( $\lambda$  commutes with restriction). *Let  $(C, \mathcal{T}, \mathfrak{D})$  be a ringed site. Let  $f : b \rightarrow a \in C$ . The functors  $u \circ \Lambda$  and  $\Lambda \circ (- \otimes \Gamma(a; \mathfrak{D}))$  are isomorphic functors.*

**Lemma 26** ( $\Lambda$  counit commute with restriction). *Let  $C$  be a category. Let  $a \in C$ . Let  $\epsilon$  be the counit of the adjunction  $\Lambda \dashv \Gamma(1; -)$  on  $C$ . Let  $\epsilon_a$  be the counit of the adjunction  $\Lambda_a \dashv \Gamma(1; -)$  on  $C_a$ . Let  $\mathfrak{F}$  be a presheaf module on  $C$ . By lemma ?,  $\Lambda(\Gamma(1; \mathfrak{F}))|_a = \Lambda(\Gamma(1; \mathfrak{F}) \otimes \Gamma(a; \mathfrak{D}))$ . We have  $u \circ (\epsilon) = \epsilon_a$  on this presheaf module.*

*Proof.* ■

**Lemma 27.** *Let  $(C, \mathcal{T})$  be a site. Let  $a \in C$ . Consider the counit  $\epsilon$  of  $\Gamma(1; -) \dashv \Lambda(-)$  on  $C$  and the counit  $\epsilon_a$  of the same adjunction on  $C_a$ . Then  $\epsilon|_a = \epsilon_a$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\mathfrak{F}$  be a sheaf module on  $C$ . Let  $f : b \rightarrow a \in C$ . We want to show that  $\epsilon_{\mathfrak{F}, a, f} : \Lambda(\Gamma(1; \mathfrak{F})) \rightarrow \mathfrak{F}$  is the same map as  $\epsilon_{\mathfrak{F}}|_{a_f} : \Lambda(\Gamma(1; \mathfrak{F})) \rightarrow \mathfrak{F}$

$$\alpha : \Lambda(\Gamma(1; \mathfrak{F})) \rightarrow \mathfrak{F},$$

$$m \otimes r \mapsto mr$$

composed with  $\omega_{\lambda(\Gamma(1; \mathfrak{F}))}^2$ . ■

## 2 Caffine objects

### 2.1 Caffine objects

**Definition 28** (Caffine object). Let  $Y = (C, \mathcal{T}, \mathfrak{D})$  be a ringed site. Let  $a \in C$  be an object. We call  $a$  *caffine* if the unit  $\eta$  and co-unit  $\epsilon$  of the adjunction  $\Gamma(1; -) \dashv \Lambda(-)$  on  $Y_a$  are natural isomorphisms.

**Example 29** (Examples of caffine objects). The main example to keep in mind is  $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{R}) \in \text{Sch}$ .

**Definition 30** (caffine cover). Let  $(X, \mathcal{T}, \mathfrak{D})$  be a ringed site. A family of maps  $\{a_i \rightarrow a\}$  is called a *caffine covering* of  $a$  if every  $a_i$  is *caffine* and the family is a covering family.

**Definition 31.** We say that a ringed site  $(C, \mathcal{O}, \mathfrak{T})$  has enough affines if any object admits a caffine covering.

**Lemma 32.** *Let  $(C, \mathcal{T}, \mathfrak{D})$  be a ringed site. Let  $a \in C$ . Let  $\{b_i \rightarrow a\}$  be a caffine covering on  $a$ . Assume every map  $b_i \rightarrow a$  is restrictive. Then the counit  $\epsilon$  of the adjunction  $\Gamma(1; -) \dashv \Lambda(-)_a$  is a natural isomorphism.*

*Proof.* Let  $\mathfrak{F}$  be a quasi-coherent sheaf module. Set  $M = \Gamma(a; \mathfrak{F})$ . Set  $M_i = \Gamma(b_i; \mathfrak{F})$ . Set  $\beta_i = \epsilon_{\mathfrak{F}, a}|_{b_i}$ . By lemma ?  $\beta_i \cong \epsilon_{b_i}$ , hence  $\beta_{a_i}$  is an isomorphism. ■

**Lemma 33.** *Let  $(C, \mathcal{T}, \mathfrak{D})$  be a ringed site. Let  $a \in C$ . Let  $M$  be a  $\Gamma(a; \mathfrak{D})$ -module. The component*

$$\omega_{\lambda(M), a}^2 : \lambda(M) \rightarrow \Lambda(M)$$

*at  $\text{Id}_a$  of the sheafification morphism*

$$\omega_{\lambda(M)}^2 : \lambda(M) \rightarrow \Lambda(M)$$



## 2 Caffine objects

is equal to the unit of  $\Lambda \dashv \Gamma(1; -)$  in  $C_a$ .

*Proof.* Consider the following maps, which you get by repeatedly calling on an adjunction.

$$\text{Id} : \Lambda(M) \rightarrow \Lambda(M)$$

$$\omega_{\Lambda(M)}^2 : \lambda(M) \rightarrow \Lambda(M) \text{ use sheafification adjunction, see lemma ..}$$

$$\omega_{\Lambda(M), a}^2 M \rightarrow \Gamma(a; \Lambda(\mathfrak{M})) \text{ take sections at } a$$

We took the adjunct of  $\text{Id}$  with respect to the sheafification adjunction as the first step. Then we took the adjunct of the result wrt the  $\lambda$  adjunction. Hence we get the adjunct of  $\text{Id}$  wrt the  $\Lambda$  adjunction. so the last map is actually the unit of the  $\Lambda$  adjunction. ■

**Corollary 34.** *Let  $(C, \mathcal{T}, \mathfrak{D})$  be a ringed site. Let  $a \in C$  be caffine. Then  $\omega_{\Lambda(M), a}^2$  is an isomorphism for any  $\mathfrak{D}(a)$ -module  $M$ .*

**Theorem 35** (Morphism between caffines is restrictive). *Let  $Y = (C, \mathcal{T}, \mathfrak{D})$ . Let  $f : b \rightarrow a \in C$  be a morphism between caffine objects, then  $f$  is restrictive.*

*Proof.* Let  $\mathfrak{F}$  be a quasi-coherent module on  $Y_a$ . Let  $M = \Gamma(a; \mathfrak{F})$ . Since  $a$  is caffine, we have  $\mathfrak{F} = \Lambda(M)$ .

We have to show that the adjunct, along the extension of scalars adjunction, of  $\mathfrak{F}(f)$

$$\Gamma(a; \mathfrak{F}) \otimes_{\Gamma(a; \mathfrak{D})} \Gamma(b; \mathfrak{D}) \rightarrow \Gamma(b; \mathfrak{F})$$

is an isomorphism.

This adjunct is the component at  $b$  of the natural transformation  $\omega_{\lambda(\Gamma(1; \mathfrak{F})), a}^2$ . Since  $b$  is caffine, this component is an isomorphism. ■