Review and derived Artin stacks

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Derived arithmetic intersection theory (DAIT) requires a derived input, so let's begin by reviewing derived algebraic geometry (DAG). The key idea of DAG is to build a more "robust" version of algebraic geometry using homotopy theory. Let's review the algebraic inputs first.

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$$\pi_0(M) \otimes_{\pi_0(A)} \pi_i(A) \to \pi_i(M)$$

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for every $\mathcal{U} = \{U_{\alpha} \to U\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$ in $\widetilde{\tau}$. The simplicial object inside the limit is the **Čech nerve** of \mathcal{U} .

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