

Külshammer: Differential graded categories and derived categories

1 Triangulated categories

Def.: An additive category \mathcal{T} is called triangulated if $\exists \Sigma: \mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}$ auto-morphism of \mathcal{T} , $\Delta = \{X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z \rightarrow \Sigma X\}$ closed under \cong s.t.

(TR1): $X \xrightarrow{id_X} X \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \Sigma X \in \Delta \quad \forall X \in \mathcal{T}$

(TR3): $X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z \rightarrow \Sigma X \in \Delta \iff Y \rightarrow Z \rightarrow \Sigma X \rightarrow \Sigma Y \in \Delta$

(TR5): Octahedral axiom

(TR2): $X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma X \in \Delta$
 given

(TR4):
$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} X & \rightarrow & Y & \rightarrow & Z & \rightarrow & \Sigma X & \in \Delta \\ f \downarrow & & g \downarrow & & h \downarrow & & \Sigma f \downarrow & \\ X' & \rightarrow & Y' & \rightarrow & Z' & \rightarrow & \Sigma X' & \in \Delta \end{array}$$

Ex. • A k -algebra (k field) $\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{D}(A)$ derived cat. is triangulated with $\Sigma =$ shifting to the left

• A self-injective k -algebra $\rightsquigarrow \text{mod } A$ stable category is triangulated with $\Sigma X = \text{Coker}(X \hookrightarrow I(X))$

Another motivation: A k -algebra, $e \in A$ idempotent.

$$\text{mod} \left(\frac{A}{AeA} \right) \begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow \\ \rightleftarrows \\ \longrightarrow \end{array} \text{mod } A \begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow \\ \rightleftarrows \\ \longrightarrow \end{array} \text{mod} (eAe)$$

"standard recollement"

In general $\nexists \mathcal{D} \left(\frac{A}{AeA} \right) \begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow \\ \rightleftarrows \\ \longrightarrow \end{array} \mathcal{D}(A) \begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow \\ \rightleftarrows \\ \longrightarrow \end{array} \mathcal{D}(eAe)$

\exists recollement $\mathcal{D}(B) \begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow \\ \rightleftarrows \\ \longrightarrow \end{array} \mathcal{D}(A) \begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow \\ \rightleftarrows \\ \longrightarrow \end{array} \mathcal{D}(eAe)$

B dg algebra with $H^0(B) = A/AeA$.

2. dg categories

Notation: • complex of VS

$$\dots \rightarrow C_i \xrightarrow{d} C_{i+1} \rightarrow \dots \quad d^2 = 0$$

• C, D complexes

$$C \otimes D = \bigoplus_{k+l=i} C_k \otimes D_l \xrightarrow{d_C \otimes 1 + (-1)^k 1 \otimes d_D} \bigoplus_{k+l=i+1} C_k \otimes D_l$$

$$\text{Hom}(C, D) = \begin{cases} \text{Hom}(C, D)_i = \text{Hom}_{gr}^i(C, D) \ni f: C_k \rightarrow D_{k+i} \\ d(f) = d_D \circ f - (-1)^{|f|} f \circ d_C \end{cases}$$

Def: A (dg) category \mathcal{A} consists of

objects: class of objects of \mathcal{A}

morphisms: $\forall x, y \in \mathcal{A}$ a set $\mathcal{A}(x, y)$ (a complex $\mathcal{A}(x, y)$)

composition: $\mathcal{A}(y, z) \times \mathcal{A}(x, y) \xrightarrow{\circ} \mathcal{A}(x, z)$ associative $(\mathcal{A}(y, z) \otimes_k \mathcal{A}(x, y))$

units: $1_x \in \mathcal{A}(x, x)$

$\rightarrow \mathcal{A}(x, z)$ morph. of complexes

Remark i.e.: $d(fg) = m(d \otimes (fg)) = m(df \otimes g + (-1)^{|f|} f \otimes dg)$
 $= (df) \circ g + (-1)^{|f|} f \circ dg$

Ex.: (i) A a k -algebra, then \mathcal{A} is a dg category

objects: $\{*\}$

$$\text{morphisms: } \text{End}(*)_i = \begin{cases} A & i=0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

differential = 0.

(ii) $\text{Dif}(k)$ the dg cat. of complexes of vector spaces

$$\text{morphisms: } \text{Hom}_{\text{Dif}(k)}(x, y) = \text{Hom}_{\text{objects}}(x, y) = \text{Hom}(x, y).$$

(iii) $1 \xrightarrow{\alpha} 2$ $|a|=0, |\varphi|=1, d(a)=\varphi, d(\varphi)=0$

3 Associated categories

A dg category:

underlying category $Z^0(\mathcal{A})$; same objects but $\text{Hom}_{Z^0(\mathcal{A})}(x,y) = Z^0(\mathcal{A}(x,y))$

homotopy category $H^0(\mathcal{A})$; $\text{Hom}_{H^0(\mathcal{A})}(x,y) = H^0(\mathcal{A}(x,y))$

Ex.: (i) A k-algebra $\rightsquigarrow Z^0 A = A, H^0 A = A$.

(ii) $Z^0(\text{Dif}(k)) = \mathcal{C}(k)$ cat. of chain complexes

$H^0(\text{Dif}(k)) = \mathcal{H}(k)$ homotopy category

(iii) $Z^0\left(1 \xrightarrow{\alpha} 2\right) = 1 \quad 2$

$H^0\left(1 \xrightarrow{\alpha} 2\right) = 1 \quad 2$

Def. • A small dg category, \mathcal{B} dg category. A dg functor $\mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{F} \mathcal{B}$ is

given by:

$$x \in \mathcal{A} \rightsquigarrow Fx \in \mathcal{B}$$

morphism $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(x,y) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}(Fx, Fy)$ of complexes

$$F(fg) = F(f)F(g), \quad F(1) = 1.$$

• $\text{Fun}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ dg category

objects: dg functors

morphisms: $\text{Hom}_{\text{Fun}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})}(F, G) = \{ \alpha_x \in \mathcal{B}(Fx, Gx) \}$

$$d\left((\alpha_x)_{x \in \mathcal{A}} \right) = \left(d_{\mathcal{B}} \alpha_x \right)_{x \in \mathcal{A}}.$$

Modules are functors:

module

$$A \otimes_k M \longrightarrow M$$

k-lin., associative, unital

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representation

$$A \longrightarrow \text{End}(M)$$

k-dg. hom.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \uparrow & & \\ \text{functor:} & \begin{array}{c} \text{a} \in A \\ \text{C}^* \end{array} & \longrightarrow \text{Mod}(k) \\ & * & \longmapsto M \\ & a & \longmapsto f_a \end{array}$$

A module over a small category \mathcal{C} is a functor $\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Mod } k$

Def.: . The dg category $\text{Dif } \mathcal{A} := \text{Fun}(\mathcal{A}, \text{Dif}(k))$ of dg modules (left)

- . category of dg modules $\mathcal{Z}^0(\text{Dif } \mathcal{A}) =: \mathcal{C} \mathcal{A}$
- . homotopy category $\mathcal{H}^0(\text{Dif } \mathcal{A}) =: \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{A})$

$\rightarrow \mathcal{A}^{\text{op}}$ for right modules

Ex.: A k -alg. $\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{C} \mathcal{A}$ complexes of A -mod.
 $\mathcal{H} \mathcal{A}$ homotopy cat.

Thm (i) $\mathcal{C} \mathcal{A}$ is a Frobenius category.

(ii) $\mathcal{H} \mathcal{A} = \underline{\mathcal{C} \mathcal{A}}$ is a triangulated category.

Def. (i) A morphism $f: M \rightarrow N$ of dg modules is a qis if $H^i M_x \xrightarrow{H^i f_x} H^i N_x$ is isomorphism.

(ii) A dg module M is acyclic if $0 \rightarrow M$ is a qis

(iii) A dg module M is \mathcal{H} -projective if $\text{Hom}_{\text{Dif } \mathcal{A}}(M, -)$ preserves qis

TFAE: (1) M \mathcal{H} -projective

(2) $\text{Hom}_{\text{Dif } \mathcal{A}}(M, -)$ preserves acyclics

(3) $\text{Hom}_{\text{Dif } \mathcal{A}}(M, \mathcal{H} \text{ac}) = 0$.

(4) in $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{A})$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & M \\ & \swarrow \exists! & \downarrow \\ L & \xrightarrow{G} & N \\ & \searrow \text{qis} & \end{array}$$

(5) M is homotopy equ. to N

$$0 = N_0 \subseteq N_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq N, \quad N_{i+1}/N_i \cong \bigoplus_{i,x} \mathcal{A}(x, -)[i]$$

(4)

with $\cup N_i = N$, $N_{i-1} \hookrightarrow N_i$ splits as graded modules.

Derived category:

"Def.": $DA = \mathcal{H}A [qis^{-1}]$

Problem: Hom's might not be sets.

Solution: Model categories

Cor.: $DA \cong \mathcal{H}_p A$ (Compare $D^-A \cong K^-(\text{Proj } A)$)

Compact objects: $M \in \mathcal{C}$ is compact if

$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(M, -)$ commutes with filtered colimits

Prop. $M \in DA$ is compact iff it is perfect, i.e. isomorphic to a bounded complex of repr. functors.

Pretriangulated dg categories

Idea: Lift structure of triangulated cat. to dg level.

Roughly: \mathcal{A} is pretriangulated if $H^0 \mathcal{A}$ is triangulated. One calls \mathcal{A} a dg enhancement of $H^0 \mathcal{A}$

Thm.: Algebraic triang. cat.s have enhancements

Thm.: Derived cat. have a unique enhancements

Recall: Def.: \mathcal{T} algebraic if

(1) $\mathcal{T} \cong \underline{\mathcal{C}}$ for \mathcal{C} Frobenius cat.

equivalently

(2) $\mathcal{T} \hookrightarrow K.A$ for A an additive cat.