

# TALK 8½: SHEAVES ON STACKS

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The aim of this talk is to explain a construction of categories of étale sheaves on (pre-)stacks using Kan extensions in the framework of  $\infty$ -categories.

Fix a prime number  $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$ . Denote by  $\Lambda$  a finite  $\ell$ -torsion ring. By definition, all rings and schemes in this talk are over  $\mathbb{Z}[\ell^{-1}]$ . For a scheme  $X$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{D}(X) := \mathcal{D}_{\text{ét}}(X, \Lambda)$  the left completion of  $\mathcal{D}(X_{\text{ét}}, \Lambda)$ , see [BS15, Definition 3.3.1].

**Remark 0.1.** If  $X$  has finite  $\Lambda$ -cohomological dimension, then  $\mathcal{D}(X_{\text{ét}}, \Lambda)$  is left complete, that is, the map  $A \rightarrow \lim_{n \geq 0} \tau^{\geq -n} A$  is an isomorphism for all  $A \in \mathcal{D}(X_{\text{ét}}, \Lambda)$ , see [BS15, Lemma 6.4.3].

## 1. LIMIT EXTENDED SHEAF THEORIES

Let  $\text{Pr}^{\text{L}}$  be the category with objects the presentable  $\infty$ -categories and with maps the colimit preserving functors. We denote by  $\text{Pr}^{\text{St}}$  the full subcategory of stable objects (so the homotopy category is triangulated). Both categories are bicomplete and the inclusion  $\text{Pr}^{\text{St}} \subset \text{Pr}^{\text{L}}$  preserves both limits and colimits (reference).

There is a natural enrichment  $\mathcal{D}(X) \in \text{Pr}^{\text{St}}$  such that  $\mathcal{D}(X) = \text{ho}(\mathcal{D}(X))$  on homotopy categories. We consider the Yoneda embedding

$$(1.1) \quad \text{AffSch} \rightarrow \text{PreStk} := \text{Fun}(\text{AffSch}^{\text{op}}, \text{Ani}),$$

where  $\text{AffSch}$  is the category of affine schemes (over  $\mathbb{Z}[\ell^{-1}]$ , by definition) and  $\text{Ani}$  the  $\infty$ -category of anima (also called spaces, Kan complexes or  $\infty$ -groupoids).

**Definition 1.1.** The functor

$$(1.2) \quad \mathcal{D}: \text{PreStk}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Pr}^{\text{St}}$$

is the right Kan extension of  $\text{AffSch}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Pr}^{\text{St}}, X \mapsto \mathcal{D}, f \mapsto f^*$ . For each  $X \in \text{PreStk}$ , one denotes  $\mathcal{D}(X) := \text{ho}(\mathcal{D}(X))$  the homotopy category.

The right Kan extension exists because  $\text{Pr}^{\text{St}}$  is complete.

**Properties 1.2.** (1) *The functor (1.2) is limit preserving. In particular, if  $X \in \text{PreStk}$ ,  $X = \text{colim}_{T \rightarrow X} T$  with  $T \in \text{AffSch}$ , then  $\mathcal{D}(X) = \lim_{T \rightarrow X} \mathcal{D}(T)$  with transition maps given by  $*$ -pullback. Here we note that the (non-full) inclusion  $\text{Pr}^{\text{St}} \subset \text{Cat}_{\infty}$  preserves limits so that the limit can equivalently be computed in  $\text{Cat}_{\infty}$ .*

(2) *For every  $f: Y \rightarrow X$  in  $\text{PreStk}$ , one has an adjunction*

$$(1.3) \quad f^*: \mathcal{D}(X) \rightleftarrows \mathcal{D}(Y) : Rf_*,$$

*where  $f^*$  exists by construction and  $Rf_*$  is defined as its right adjoint using (reference). Note that  $Rf_*$  is in general not colimit preserving, so it is only a functor in  $\text{Cat}_{\infty}$ .*

(3) *The functor  $\mathcal{D}$  is an étale sheaf of  $\infty$ -categories: If  $X \in \text{PreStk}$  and  $f: X \rightarrow X_{\text{ét}}$  the étale sheafification (or stackification), then*

$$(1.4) \quad f^*: \mathcal{D}(X_{\text{ét}}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(X)$$

*is an equivalence. In other words, the functor  $\mathcal{D}: \text{PreStk}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Pr}^{\text{St}}$  factors through the sheafification functor  $\text{PreStk}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Stk}_{\text{ét}}, X \mapsto X_{\text{ét}}$  where, by definition,  $\text{Stk}_{\text{ét}}$  is the localization of  $\text{PreStk}$  at the maps  $\text{colim } S^{\bullet/T} \rightarrow T$  induced by the Čech nerves for all  $S \rightarrow T$  in  $\text{AffSch}$ . By [HS21, Theorem ],  $\mathcal{D}$  is a sheaf for universal submersions ( $\implies v$ -sheaf  $\implies fpqc$  sheaf), but not an arc sheaf.*

(4) For  $X \in \text{PreStk}$ , the category  $\mathcal{D}(X)$  carries a  $t$ -structure  $(\mathcal{D}^{\leq 0}(X), \mathcal{D}^{\geq 0}(X))$  such that  $f^*: \mathcal{D}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(Y)$  is  $t$ -exact for all  $f: Y \rightarrow X$  in  $\text{PreStk}$ .

(5) For  $X \in \text{PreStk}$ , one has the full subcategory

$$(1.5) \quad \mathcal{D}_{\text{cons}}(X) \subset \mathcal{D}(X)$$

of perfect-constructible complexes compatibly with  $*$ -pullbacks.

## 2. SHEAVES ON THE HECKE STACK

Let  $k$  be an algebraically closed field,  $X \rightarrow \text{Spec}(k)$  a smooth, separated curve and  $G$  be a smooth, affine, connected  $k$ -group scheme.

Recall the definition of Hecke stacks from Talk 7: For a finite index set  $I$  and a point  $x_I = (x_i)_{i \in I} \in X^I(R)$  for some  $k$ -algebra  $R$ , the union of the graphs  $\Gamma_{x_I} = \cup_{i \in I} \Gamma_{x_i} \subset X_R$  defines a relative effective Cartier divisor over  $R$ . The formal completion  $(X_R/\Gamma_{x_I})^\wedge$  is a formal affine scheme, say, equal to  $\text{Spf}(A_{x_I})$ . We define the affine schemes

$$(2.1) \quad \mathbb{D}_{x_I} := \text{Spec}(A_{x_I}), \quad \mathbb{D}_{x_I}^* := \mathbb{D}_{x_I} \setminus \Gamma_{x_I}.$$

If  $J \subset I$ ,  $x_J = (x_i)_{i \in J}$ , then there is a natural map  $\mathbb{D}_J \rightarrow \mathbb{D}_I$  compatible with the punctured discs.

**Example 2.1.** For  $X = \mathbb{A}_k^1$  and  $(x_1, x_2) \in X^2(k) = k^2$ , one has  $A_{(x_1, x_2)} = k[T]_{(T-x_1)(T-x_2)}^\wedge$ .

The central objects are as follows:

**Definition 2.2.** For any finite index set  $I$ , there are the following functors  $\text{Alg}_k/X^I \rightarrow 1\text{-Groupoids}$  of ‘‘Beilinson-Drinfeld type’’ given on a  $k$ -algebra  $R$  and a point  $x_I \in X^I(R)$  as follows:

- (1) The Hecke stack  $\text{Hk}_{G,I}(R)$  parametrizes two  $G$ -torsors  $\mathcal{E}_1, \mathcal{E}_2$  on  $\mathbb{D}_{x_I}$  and an isomorphism  $\alpha: \mathcal{E}_1 \cong \mathcal{E}_2$  over  $\mathbb{D}_{x_I}^*$ .
- (2) The affine Grassmannian  $\text{Gr}_{G,I}(R)$  parametrizes  $\mathcal{E} = (\mathcal{E}_1, \mathcal{E}_2, \alpha) \in \text{Hk}_{G,I}(R)$  together with an isomorphism  $\beta: \mathcal{E}_2 \cong \mathcal{E}_0$  on  $\mathbb{D}_{x_I}$  where  $\mathcal{E}_0$  is the trivial  $G$ -torsor.
- (3) The loop group  $L_I G(R)$  parametrizes  $\gamma \in G(\mathbb{D}_{x_I}^*)$ . Its subfunctor  $L_I^+ G(R)$ , called the positive loop group, parametrizes  $\gamma \in G(\mathbb{D}_{x_I})$ .

Note that  $\text{Gr}_{G,I}$  is (equivalent to) a set valued functor and that  $L_I G, L_I^+ G$  are group valued functors.

The forgetful morphism  $\text{Gr}_{G,I} \rightarrow \text{Hk}_{G,I}, (\mathcal{E}, \beta) \mapsto \mathcal{E}$  is an  $L_I^+ G$ -torsor and induces an equivalence  $\text{Hk}_{G,I} \cong [L_I^+ G \backslash \text{Gr}_{G,I}]_{\text{ét}}$ . We choose a  $L_I^+ G$ -stable filtered presentation  $\text{Gr}_{G,I} = \text{colim} X_i$  by finite type  $k$ -schemes  $X_i$  with closed transition morphisms. Writing  $L_I^+ G = \lim_{i \geq 0} G_i$ ,  $G_i = \text{Res}_{\Gamma_{x_{\text{univ}}}/X^I}^{(i)}(G)$  and possibly renumbering the  $X_i$ , we may assume that the  $L_I^+ G$ -action on each  $X_i$  factors through  $G_i$ . In particular, we obtain as objects in  $\text{PreStk}$ :

$$(2.2) \quad \text{Hk}_{G,I} = \text{colim} [L_I^+ G \backslash X_i]_{\text{ét}}, \quad [L_I^+ G \backslash X_i]_{\text{ét}} = \lim_{j \geq i} [G_j \backslash X_i]_{\text{ét}}.$$

**Definition 2.3.** One defines the following full subcategories of  $\text{D}(\text{Hk}_{G,I})$ , respectively  $\text{D}(\text{Gr}_{G,I})$  of sheaves with bounded supports:

- (1)  $\text{D}(\text{Hk}_{G,I}, \Lambda)^{\text{bd}} = \text{colim} \text{D}([L_I^+ G \backslash X_i]_{\text{ét}})$ ;
- (2)  $\text{D}(\text{Gr}_{G,I}, \Lambda)^{\text{bd}} = \text{colim} \text{D}(X_i)$ .

In both cases, the transition maps are given by  $*$ -push forward.

The following lemma allows to relate the above categories:

**Lemma 2.4.** For each  $G_i$  acting on  $X_i$ , there are natural equivalences

$$(2.3) \quad \mathcal{D}([L_I^+ G \backslash X_i]_{\text{ét}}) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{D}([G_i \backslash X_i]_{\text{ét}}) \xrightarrow{\cong} \lim \left( \mathcal{D}(X_i) \xrightarrow[\text{pr}^*]{\text{act}^*} \mathcal{D}(G_i \times X_i) \rightrightarrows \cdots \right).$$

Furthermore, the induced functor on the hearts of the standard  $t$ -structure

$$(2.4) \quad \text{D}([L_I^+ G \backslash X_i]_{\text{ét}})^\heartsuit \rightarrow \text{D}(X_i)^\heartsuit$$

is fully faithful with essential image those objects  $A \in \text{D}(X_i)^\heartsuit$  such that  $\text{act}^* A \cong \text{pr}^* A$ .

*Proof.* The affine group scheme  $L_I^+G \rightarrow X^I$  is strictly pro-algebraic in the sense of [RS20, Appendix A.2] with geometrically connected fibers and the kernel of  $L_I^+G \rightarrow G_i$  is split pro-unipotent for every  $i \geq 0$ . So the first arrow in (2.3) being an equivalence follows from  $\mathbb{A}^1$ -invariance using that the coefficients  $\Lambda$  are of torsion invertible on  $\mathrm{Spec}(k)$ , the argument of [RS20, Proposition 2.2.11] translates to our context. By étale descent, we have an equivalence  $\mathcal{D}([G_i \backslash X_i]_{\text{ét}}) \cong \mathcal{D}(G_i \backslash X_i)$ . Using that  $G_i \backslash X_i$  is the colimit of the Bar resolution, the second arrow in (2.3) is an equivalence because (1.2) is limit-preserving. For the fully faithfulness of (2.4) and the description of its essential image, we refer to Talk 9.  $\square$

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