

### EXERCISE 3 IN PERVERSE SHEAVES

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For an abelian category  $\mathcal{C}$ , let  $K(\mathcal{C})$  denote the homotopy category of  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $D(\mathcal{C})$  the derived category. If  $f : A \rightarrow B$  we denote by  $\text{Cone}(f)$  the mapping cone, and by  $\pi_f : B \rightarrow \text{Cone}(f)$  the inclusion to the second factor.

- (1) Prove that  $\text{Cone}(\pi_f) \cong A[1]$ .
- (2) Prove that  $H^i(A) \xrightarrow{f_*} H^i(B) \xrightarrow{(\pi_f)_*} H^i(\text{Cone}(f))$  is exact. Deduce that a distinguished triangle induces a long exact sequence on cohomologies.
- (3) (P) Prove that  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is a homotopy equivalence if and only if  $\text{Cone}(f)$  is contractible (i.e. isomorphic to 0 in  $K(\mathcal{C})$ ).
- (4) Prove that  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is a quasiisomorphism if and only if  $\text{Cone}(f)$  is acyclic.
- (5) (\*) Prove that every distinguished triangle in  $K(\mathcal{C})$  is isomorphic to a short exact sequence. Deduce once again that a distinguished triangle induces a long exact sequence on cohomologies. Is every short exact sequence a distinguished triangle in  $K(\mathcal{C})$ ? Prove that in  $D(\mathcal{C})$ , every short exact sequence is a distinguished triangle.
- (6) (P) Prove that for  $g : C \rightarrow B$  and  $f : A \rightarrow B$ ,  $g = f \circ g'$  if and only if  $\pi_f \circ g = 0$ . State and prove a dual statement.
- (7) (P) Define the complex  $\text{Hom}(A, B)$ , and prove that  $H^0(\text{Hom}(A, B)) = \text{Hom}_{K(\mathcal{C})}(A, B)$ . Prove that  $\text{Hom}(X, C(f)) = C(\text{Hom}(X, f))$ . Use this to solve the last exercise much faster!
- (8) (\*) Prove that in  $D^+(Ab)$  every object is isomorphic to a complex with zero differentials.
- (9) (P) Prove that if  $I \in K^+(\mathcal{C})$  is a complex of injective objects, and  $M \in K^+(\mathcal{C})$  is acyclic, then  $\text{Hom}_{K(\mathcal{C})}(M, I) = 0$ . Deduce that for every complex  $A$ ,  $\text{Hom}_{D^+(\mathcal{C})}(A, I) \cong \text{Hom}_{K^+(\mathcal{C})}(A, I)$ .
- (10) Recall that  $\text{RHom}(A, B) := \text{Hom}(A, I)$  where  $B \cong I$  in  $D^+(\mathcal{C})$  and  $I$  is a complex of injectives. Alternatively, if we work in  $D^-(\mathcal{C})$  it is  $\text{Hom}(P, A)$  where  $A \cong P$  and  $P$  is a complex of projectives. Prove that  $\text{Hom}_{D^+(\mathcal{C})}(A, B) = H^0(\text{RHom}(A, B))$ , and similarly for  $D^-(\mathcal{C})$ .
- (11) (\*) Find an example of a complex which is not quasi-isomorphic to a complex with zero-differentials.
- (12) (P) Let  $k$  be a field. Let  $\mathcal{C} = \text{Mod}(k[x, y])$ . Let  $A$  be the complex

$$k[x, y] \xrightarrow{x^2} k[x, y] \rightarrow k[x, y]/x$$

and  $B$  be the complex

$$k[x, y]/(y^2 - x) \xrightarrow{y^2} k[x, y]/(y^2 - x) \rightarrow k[x, y]/(x, y).$$

Compute the cohomologies of  $RHom(A, B)$  and  $A \overset{L}{\otimes} B$ . Here,  $RHom$  is the derived functor of the  $Hom$  functor, and  $\overset{L}{\otimes}$  is the derived functor of the tensor product functor.

*URL:* <http://www.wisdom.weizmann.ac.il/~dimagur/PSheaves2.html>