

Lecture 15. Serre duality on curves.

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We follow [H] III §7 except that we use a finite morphism to $\mathbb{P}^1$ instead of an embedding in $\mathbb{P}^n$. See also Lipman, Artinque 117. Of course, the approach is due to Grothendieck. The idea is to generalise it from invertible $\mathcal{O}$ -modules to coherent $\mathcal{O}$ -modules.

We begin with $\mathbb{P}_k^1$. (So, let k be a field.) For V a k -vect-sp., $V^\vee := \text{Hom}(V, k)$.

Let $Y = \mathbb{P}_k^1$.
Thm. The functor $\text{Coh}(\mathcal{O}_Y) \rightarrow k\text{-vect-sp.}$, $F \mapsto H^1(Y, F)^\vee$ is represented by $\mathcal{O}(-2)$.

Proof. First we give a morphism of functors $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_Y}(F, \mathcal{O}(-2)) \rightarrow H^1(Y, F)^\vee$.

For $\varphi: F \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(-2)$, we have $H^1(Y, F) \xrightarrow{H^1(Y, \varphi)} H^1(Y, \mathcal{O}(-2)) = k$.

This is functorial in F . Let us now show that it is an isomorphism.

$$\text{For } F = \mathcal{O}(n): \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_Y}(\mathcal{O}(n), \mathcal{O}(-2)) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_Y}(\mathcal{O}, \mathcal{O}(-2-n)) = k[x_0, x_1]_{-2-n}, \quad H^1(Y, \mathcal{O}(n)) = \left(\frac{1}{x_0 x_1} k[x_0^{-1}, x_1^{-1}] \right)_n$$

$$\text{basis } x_0^{i_0} x_1^{i_1}, \quad i_0 + i_1 = -2-n, \quad i_0 \geq 0, i_1 \geq 0 \quad = \frac{1}{x_0 x_1} \cdot \underbrace{k[x_0^{-1}, x_1^{-1}]_{n+2}}_{\text{basis } x_0^{j_0} x_1^{j_1}, \quad j_0 + j_1 = n+2, \quad j_0 \leq 0, j_1 \leq 0.}$$

The map $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_Y}(\mathcal{O}(n), \mathcal{O}(-2)) \xrightarrow{\sim} H^1(Y, \mathcal{O}(n)) \rightarrow H^1(Y, \mathcal{O}(-2))$ is given by $(x_0^{i_0} x_1^{i_1}, x_0^{j_0} x_1^{j_1} \cdot \frac{1}{x_0 x_1}) \mapsto \left[x_0^{i_0+j_0} x_1^{i_1+j_1} \cdot \frac{1}{x_0 x_1} \right] \in H^1(Y, \mathcal{O}(-2))$

$$= 0 \iff (i_0+j_0, i_1+j_1) \neq (0,0)$$

Recall Čech complex for $\mathcal{O}(-2)$:

$$k[x_0, x_1, x_0^{-1}]_{-2} \oplus k[x_0, x_1, x_1^{-1}]_{-2} \rightarrow k[x_0, x_0^{-1}, x_1, x_1^{-1}]_{-2} :$$

So, for all $\mathcal{O}(n)$, the map

$\text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}(n), \mathcal{O}(-2)) \rightarrow H^1(Y, \mathcal{O}(n))^\vee$ is an isomorphism.

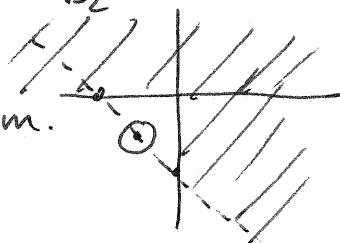
Let now F be in $\text{Coh}(\mathcal{O}_Y)$. We take a

presentation $\mathcal{E}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_0 \rightarrow F \rightarrow 0$, with $\mathcal{E}_1$ and $\mathcal{E}_0$ finite direct sums of $\mathcal{O}_Y(n_i)$'s. Then we have:

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}(F, \mathcal{O}(-2)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\mathcal{E}_0, \mathcal{O}(-2)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\mathcal{E}_1, \mathcal{O}(-2))$$

$$\downarrow \quad \quad \downarrow^2 \quad \quad \downarrow^2$$

$$0 \rightarrow H^1(Y, F)^\vee \rightarrow H^1(Y, \mathcal{E}_0)^\vee \rightarrow H^1(Y, \mathcal{E}_1)^\vee \quad \square$$



Let now $X \rightarrow \text{Spec}(k)$ be smooth of rel. dim. 1, projective and geom. irreducible. For example: $X = V(F) \subset \mathbb{P}_k^2$, $F \in k[x_0, x_1, x_2]_d$, s.t. $V(F, \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_0}, \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial F}{\partial x_2})$ is empty in $\mathbb{A}_k^3$ -loc.

Proposition. There is a finite morphism $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^1$, over k .

Proof We can embed X into $\mathbb{P}_k^n$ (same n , sufficiently large if k is finite)

s.t. $V(x_0, x_1) \cap X = \emptyset$. Then let $L = V(x_0, x_1)$,

$$\pi: \mathbb{P}_k^n - L \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^1 : (a_0: \dots: a_n) \mapsto (a_0: a_1)$$

Then f is affine: $f^{-1}D_+(x_0)$ is closed in $\pi^{-1}D_+(x_0) = D_+(x_0)$ is affine, and similarly for $f^{-1}D_+(x_1)$.

Also: $f_* \mathcal{O}_X$ is a coherent $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_k^1}$ -module because f is projective.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \mathbb{P}_k^n \times \mathbb{P}_k^1 & \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^n \\ & \downarrow \square & \downarrow \\ X & \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{P}_k^1 & \rightarrow \text{Spec}(k). \quad \square \end{array}$$

Proposition. ([H], Exercise II.5.17(e)) Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be an affine morphism of schemes. Then $f_*: \text{Qcoh}(\mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow f_* \mathcal{O}_X\text{-mod}$ induces an equivalence with the category of $f_* \mathcal{O}_X$ -modules that are quasi-coherent as $\mathcal{O}_Y$ -modules. An inverse is given by:

$$M \mapsto \tilde{M}, \text{ where } \tilde{M}|_{f^{-1}U} = \widetilde{M(U)} \text{ where we view } M(U) \text{ as } \mathcal{O}_X(f^{-1}U)\text{-module} \\ (U \subset Y \text{ open affine})$$

Proof If Y , and hence X , are affine, say $\text{Spec } A$ and $\text{Spec } B$, $A \rightarrow B$, then f_* is the functor that sends a B -module M to the underlying A -module A^M , plus its structure of B -module. So that is an equivalence. To finish: compatibility with localisation. $\square$

Let X/k , $f: X \rightarrow Y$ over k be as before. ($Y = \mathbb{P}_k^1$).

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Thm. The functor $\text{Coh}(\mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow k\text{-v.sp.}$, $F \mapsto H^1(X, F)^\vee$, is representable.

Proof We have the $f_* \mathcal{O}_X$ -module $\mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_Y}(f_* \mathcal{O}_X, \mathcal{O}(-2))$ on Y . Let ω_X denote the coherent $\mathcal{O}_X$ -module corresponding to it.

Consider:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{Coh}(\mathcal{O}_X) & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X}(-, \omega_X)} & \text{Coh}(\mathcal{O}_X) \\
 f_* \downarrow & & \downarrow f_* \\
 \text{Coh}(\mathcal{O}_Y) & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_Y}(-, \mathcal{O}(-2))} & \text{Coh}(\mathcal{O}_Y) \\
 H^1(Y, \cdot) \downarrow & & \downarrow H^0(Y, \cdot) \\
 k\text{-v.sp.} & \xrightarrow{\text{Hom}_k(\cdot, k)} & k\text{-v.sp.}
 \end{array}$$

We claim it is commutative.

Lower square:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_Y}(F, \mathcal{O}(-2)) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 H^1(Y, F) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & H^1(Y, F)^\vee \xleftarrow{\quad} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_Y}(F, \mathcal{O}(-2))
 \end{array}$$

(the isom. above.)

Upper square. Restrict to $U = \text{Spec } A \subset Y$, $\text{Spec } B = f^{-1}U \subset X$, M a B -module,

N an A -module. Then: $\text{Hom}_B(M, \text{Hom}_A(B, N)) = \text{Hom}_A({}_A M, N)$.

($N \mapsto \text{Hom}_A(B, N)$ right adjoint to $M \mapsto {}_A M$).

Note: $H^0(Y, \cdot) \circ f_* \circ \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\cdot, \omega_X) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\cdot, \omega_X)$, by definition.

$H^1(Y, \cdot) \circ f_* = H^1(X, \cdot)$: consider Čech complex for

$Y = D_+(x_0) \cup D_+(x_1)$, and f affine. $\otimes$

Remark For F a loc. free $\mathcal{O}_X$ -module of finite rank:

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_X}(F, \omega_X) = (\mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X}(F, \omega_X))(X) = (F^\vee \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \omega_X)(X) = H^0(X, F^\vee \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \omega_X).$$

Thm. $\omega_X = \Omega_{X/k}^1$. For a proof, see Lipman, Hartshorne, or my syllabus "variétés abéliennes". No time for details now.

Ext and cohomology For exercise 7(b) of the assignment.

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Let $(X, \mathcal{O})$ be a ringed space.

Then $\forall \mathcal{O}$ -module F : $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}\text{-mod}}(\mathcal{O}, F) \rightarrow F(X)$ is an isom. of $\mathcal{O}(X)$ -modules.

$$\varphi \longmapsto \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{O}(X) \xrightarrow{\varphi(X)} F(X) \\ 1 \longmapsto (\varphi(X)(1)) \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore, the derived functors are the same.

That is: $\forall i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$: $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{O}\text{-mod}}^i(\mathcal{O}, F) = H^i(X, F)$.

These are by definition the derived functors of Hom ; can be computed using a projective res. of $\mathcal{O}$, or an inj. res. of F .

Ext' and extensions. Let $\mathcal{A}$ be an abelian category, with sufficiently many injectives. Then $\forall A$ in $\mathcal{A}$: $\text{Hom}(A, \cdot)$ is left-exact, and its derived functors are denoted $\text{Ext}'^i(A, \cdot)$.

For A and B in $\mathcal{A}$, an extension of A by B is a short exact sequence: $0 \rightarrow B \rightarrow E \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0$, and one has the notion

of isomorphism:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & B & \xrightarrow{i} & E & \xrightarrow{p} & A \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow \text{id}_B & \circlearrowleft & \downarrow i' & \circlearrowleft & \downarrow \text{id}_A \\ 0 & \rightarrow & B & \xrightarrow{i'} & E' & \xrightarrow{p'} & A \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

Def. $\text{Ext}(A, B) := \{ 0 \rightarrow B \rightarrow E \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0 \} / \cong$.

Thm. $\text{Ext}(A, B) \rightarrow \text{Ext}'^1(A, B)$ is a bijection.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} (0 \rightarrow B \rightarrow E \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0) & \longmapsto & 0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}(A, B) & \rightarrow & \text{Hom}(E, B) & \rightarrow & \text{Hom}(B, B) \rightarrow \text{Ext}'^1(A, B) \\ & & \downarrow \text{Hom}(-, B) & & & & \downarrow \text{id}_B \longmapsto \text{image of id}_B \end{array}$$