

Deformation Theory II

Let $k = \bar{k}$ be a field $D = k[t]/\langle t^2 \rangle$ finite k -alg.
with maximal ideal $\mathfrak{m} = \langle t \rangle$. As a scheme,
 $\text{Spec } D$ consists of a unique point.

Fact. $T_x X \simeq \{ \gamma: D \rightarrow X, \gamma(0) = x \}$. [Idea:
a D -point is a choice of a k -point of X
and a tangent direction at x ("infinitesimal
neighborhood").

§ 1. More on flatness

Recall. A ring, M an A -mod. There are
functors $\text{Tor}_i^A(M, -)$ s.t. for any s.e.s $0 \rightarrow N' \rightarrow N \rightarrow N'' \rightarrow 0$
there is a l.e.s

$$\begin{aligned} & \dots \rightarrow \text{Tor}_2^A(M, N'') \rightarrow \text{Tor}_1^A(M, N') \rightarrow \text{Tor}_1^A(M, N) \\ \rightarrow & \text{Tor}_1^A(M, N'') \rightarrow \text{Tor}_0^A(M, N') \rightarrow \text{Tor}_0^A(M, N) \rightarrow \text{Tor}_0^A(M, N'') \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

with $\text{Tor}_0^A(M, N) \simeq M \otimes_A N$.

Remark. Note that

$$M \text{ is flat over } A \iff \forall N \text{ } A\text{-mod, } \text{Tor}_1^A(M, N) = 0$$

Lemma 2.1. M mod over A noetherian is flat
 $\iff \text{Tor}_1^A(M, A/\mathfrak{p}) = 0 \forall \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec } A$.

Prop. 2.2. If $A' \rightarrow A$ surjective morphism of noeth. ring. with kernel J s.t. $J^2 = 0$, Then M' is flat over A' iff

(1) $M = M' \otimes_{A'} A$ flat over A

(2) $M \otimes_A J \rightarrow M'$ injective

Proof. Since $J^2 = 0$, J is an $A'/J \cong A$ -mod and $M \otimes_A J \cong (M' \otimes_{A'} A) \otimes_A J \cong M' \otimes_{A'} (A \otimes_A J) \cong M' \otimes_{A'} J$.

Assume M' is flat over A' . (1) is base change ✓

For (2) take $0 \rightarrow J \rightarrow A' \rightarrow A \rightarrow 0$

$$\rightarrow 0 \rightarrow M' \otimes_{A'} J \rightarrow M' \otimes_{A'} A' \rightarrow M' \otimes_{A'} A \rightarrow 0$$

$\cong M \otimes_A J$ $\cong M'$

is exact.

Suppose (1) and (2) are true. By Lemma 2.1 we can prove $\text{Tor}_1^{A'}(M', A'/\mathfrak{p}') \neq 0 \forall \mathfrak{p}' \in \text{Spec}(A')$.

J is nilpotent $\rightarrow J \in \mathfrak{p}'$, take $\mathfrak{p} := \mathfrak{p}'/J \in \text{Spec } A$, then

the following has exact rows and columns

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & 0 & & 0 & & \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 0 & \rightarrow & J & \rightarrow & P' & \rightarrow & P \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & \parallel & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 0 & \rightarrow & J & \rightarrow & A' & \rightarrow & A \rightarrow 0 \\
 & & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & & & A'/P' & \rightarrow & A/P \\
 & & & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & & & 0 & & 0
 \end{array}$$

then doing $\otimes M'$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & \text{Tor}_1^{A'}(M', A') \xrightarrow{\cong} 0 & & \text{Tor}_1^A(M, A) \xrightarrow{\cong} 0 & & \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 & & \text{Tor}_1^{A'}(M', A'/P) \rightarrow \text{Tor}_1^{A'}(M, A/P) & & \text{Tor}_1^{A'}(M, A/P) \xrightarrow{\cong} 0 & & \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 \boxed{M' \otimes_{A'} J} & \xrightarrow{\parallel} & M' \otimes_{A'} P' & \rightarrow & M' \otimes_{A'} P \rightarrow 0 & & \\
 \parallel & & \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow \cong & & \\
 0 \xrightarrow{\cong} M' \otimes_{A'} J & \rightarrow & M' & \rightarrow & M' \otimes_{A'} A \xrightarrow{\cong} 0 & & \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 & & M' \otimes_{A'} A'/P' & \rightarrow & M' \otimes_{A'} A/P \rightarrow 0 & & \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 & & 0 & & 0 & &
 \end{array}$$

$M' \otimes_{A'} J \xrightarrow{\parallel} M' \otimes_{A'} P' \rightarrow M' \otimes_{A'} P \rightarrow 0$
 $\cong M' \otimes_{A'} P \xrightarrow{\cong} 0$
 $M' \otimes_{A'} A/P \xrightarrow{\cong} 0$

Using snake lemma in the rectangle

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & & & & & 0 \\
 & & & & & & \nearrow \\
 \ker f & \rightarrow & \ker g & \rightarrow & \ker h & \rightarrow & \text{coker } f \rightarrow \text{coker } g \rightarrow \text{coker } h \\
 & & & & & & \nearrow \\
 & & & & & & 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\ker g = \text{Tor}_1^{A'}(M', A'/\mathfrak{p}') \quad \ker h = \text{Tor}_1^A(M, A/\mathfrak{p})$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Tor}_1^{A'}(M', A'/\mathfrak{p}') = \text{Tor}_1^A(M, A/\mathfrak{p}) \stackrel{(*)}{=} 0$$

§2. Deformations over D

X will be a sch/ k , $Y \subseteq X$ closed subsch.

Def. A def. of Y over D is a closed subscheme $Y' \subseteq X \times_k D$, flat over D s.t. $Y' \times_D k \simeq Y$, i. e.,

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 f^{-1}(\text{Spec } k) \simeq Y = Y' \times_D k & \longrightarrow & \text{Spec } k \\
 \downarrow \text{!} & & \downarrow \\
 Y' & \xrightarrow{f} & \text{Spec } D
 \end{array}$$

(scheme-theoretic fibn over a k -point)

[There are two structural maps $k \leftarrow D$, $D \rightarrow k$,
 $(a+bt \mapsto a) \text{ (red. mod } t).$]

Affine case: $X = \text{Spec } B$ with B a k -alg.,

$Y = \text{Spec } B/I$, $X \times_k D = \text{Spec } B'$ with

$$B' := B \otimes_k D \simeq B[t]/\langle t^2 \rangle.$$

We want to find $I' \subseteq B'$ s.t. B'/I' is flat over D and $(B'/I') \otimes_D k = B/I$.

Remark. Note that there is a map

$$\gamma: B' \simeq B[t]/t^2 \rightarrow B \quad (\text{reduction mod } t)$$

$$a + bt \mapsto a$$

that induces $B'/tB' \simeq B$, and last condition is equivalent to say that image of $I' \in B'$ in B is I .

By Prop. 2.2 and since B is flat over k (free because k is a field), B'/I' flat over D is equivalent to the injectivity of the map (take $A' = 0$, $A = k$, $M = B/I$, $M' = B'/I'$, $J = \langle t \rangle$)

$$B/I \simeq (B/I) \otimes_k \langle t \rangle \rightarrow B'/I', \quad b \otimes t \mapsto tb$$

so B'/I' being flat over D is equivalent to the exactness of

$$0 \rightarrow B/I \xrightarrow{xt} B'/I' \rightarrow B/I \rightarrow 0$$

$$(B'/I')/t(B'/I') \simeq (B'/I') \otimes_D D/\langle t \rangle \simeq (B'/I') \otimes_D k \simeq B/I$$

Take I such ideal, then there is a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & 0 & & 0 & & 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 & \rightarrow & I & \xrightarrow{xt} & I' & \rightarrow & I \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 & \rightarrow & B & \xrightarrow{xt} & B' & \rightarrow & B \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 & \rightarrow & B/I & \xrightarrow{xt} & B'/I' & \rightarrow & B/I \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ & & 0 & & 0 & & 0 \end{array}$$

Columns are exact, and exactness of bottom row implies exactness of top row (φ -lemma).

Prop. 2.3. Give $I' \in \mathcal{B}'$ s.t. \mathcal{B}'/I' flat over D and $\mathcal{B}'/I' \otimes_D k = \mathcal{B}/I$ is equivalent to $\varphi \in \text{Hom}_D(I, \mathcal{B}/I)$.

Proof. Note that $\mathcal{B}' \simeq \mathcal{B} \oplus t\mathcal{B}$, so \mathcal{B}' is naturally a \mathcal{B} -mod. For such an ideal I' , take $x \in I$ and a lift $x' \in I'$, and note that $x' = x + ty$ for some $y \in \mathcal{B}$. If x', x'' are two lifts, then $x' - x'' = t(y - y') \in I' \simeq y - y' \in I$ (flatness of \mathcal{B}'/I').

This defines a morphism $\varphi: I \rightarrow \mathcal{B}/I, x \mapsto [y]$.

Now, take $\varphi \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{B}}(I, \mathcal{B}/I)$, and

$$I' = \{x + ty \mid x \in I, y \in \mathcal{B}, y = \varphi(x) \text{ in } \mathcal{B}/I\}.$$

It is direct to check this is an ideal, that image in \mathcal{B} is I and

$$0 \rightarrow I \xrightarrow{x \mapsto t} I' \rightarrow I \rightarrow 0$$

is exact. \square

"Gluing" these arguments, we can obtain a global statement.

Thm 2.4. X sch./ k , $Y \subseteq X$ closed. Def. of Y/D in X are in correspondence with $H^0(Y, \mathcal{N}_{Y/X})$.

Corollary 2.5. If $X = \mathbb{P}_k^n$, tangent space of Hilbert sch. at $[Y] \in H$ is isomorphic to $H^0(Y, \mathcal{N}_{Y/X})$.

Proof. $T_{[Y]}H \cong \{ f: D \rightarrow H, f(D) = [Y] \}$.

$$\begin{aligned} &\cong \{ Y' \subseteq X \times_k D \text{ closed flat s.t.} \\ &\quad Y' \times_D k = Y \} \\ \text{univ. prop. of } H &\quad \cong H^0(Y, \mathcal{N}_{Y/X}) \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

§ 3. Deformations of line bundles and coh. sheaves / D

Def. Let $F \in \underline{\text{Coh}}(X)$, X sch./ k . A deformation of X over D is a coh. sheaf F' on $X' = X \times_k D$, flat over D , s.t. $F' \otimes_D k \cong F$.

(Here, $F' \otimes_D k$ means $\iota^* F'$ where $\iota: X \hookrightarrow X'$.)

We say two defs. F'_1, F'_2 of F over D are equiv. if $F'_1 \cong F'_2$ s.t.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F'_1 \otimes_D k & \xrightarrow{\sim} & F'_2 \otimes_D k & \text{commutes} \\ \downarrow \sim & & \downarrow \sim & \\ & F & & \end{array}$$

Prop. (1) Isomorphism classes of \mathcal{L}' on X' st.

$\mathcal{L}' \otimes \mathcal{O}_X \cong \mathcal{L}$ (same as $\mathcal{L}' \otimes \mathcal{O}_K$) are given by $H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$

(2) Eq. classes of def. of \mathcal{F}/\mathcal{D} is in correspondence with $\text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F})$.

Corollary. $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow X$ v.b., then defs. of \mathcal{E} are given by $H^1(X, \text{End } \mathcal{E})$.

Proof. $\text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E}) \cong \text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{O}_X, \mathcal{E}^\vee \otimes \mathcal{E}) \cong H^1(X, \text{End } \mathcal{E})$ \square

Example. We know that every v.b. on \mathbb{P}^1 is $\mathcal{E} = \bigoplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(a_i)$ for some $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$. In part. every rank 2, deg. 0 v.b. is of the form $\mathcal{O}(a) \oplus \mathcal{O}(-a)$, $a \in \mathbb{Z}$. However, for $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{O}(1) \oplus \mathcal{O}(-1)$ we can notice that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{End}(\mathcal{E}) &\cong \mathcal{E} \otimes \mathcal{E}^\vee = (\mathcal{O}(1) \oplus \mathcal{O}(-1))^{\otimes 2} \\ &\cong \mathcal{O}(2) \oplus \mathcal{O}^{\otimes 2} \oplus \mathcal{O}(-2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\leadsto H^1(\mathbb{P}^1, \text{End } \mathcal{E}) = H^1(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathcal{O}(-2)) = \mathbb{C},$$

so there exists a 1-dim. family of deformations of \mathcal{E} over D . A non-trivial def. corresponds to a non-split extension

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(-1) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_t = \mathcal{O}(a) \oplus \mathcal{O}(-a) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(1) \rightarrow 0$$

Taking coh.

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}(-1)) \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}(2)) \oplus H^0(\mathcal{O}(-2)) \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}(1)) \rightarrow H^1(\mathcal{O}(-1))$$

$$\rightarrow H^1(\mathcal{O}(2)) \oplus H^1(\mathcal{O}(-2)) \rightarrow H^1(\mathcal{O}(1)) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\rightsquigarrow h^0(\mathcal{O}(2)) + h^0(\mathcal{O}(-2)) = 2$$

$$h^1(\mathcal{O}(2)) = h^1(\mathcal{O}(-2)) = 0 \rightsquigarrow a \in \{0, 1\}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{E}_t \simeq \mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}$$

Section 3. T^i functors

Construction. Let A, B rings with $A \rightarrow B$ morphism,

M a B -mod. We will define some functors

$T^i(B/A, M)$ for $i = 0, 1, 2$.

Take $R = A[x]$ for a set of vars. $x = \{x_i\}$,

then there is an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow I \rightarrow R \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0$$

for some ideal I . Choose also F a free

R -mod with $j: F \twoheadrightarrow I$, $Q := \ker j$, then

$$0 \rightarrow Q \rightarrow F \xrightarrow{j} I \rightarrow 0$$

Now, define

$$F_0 = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{submod. of } F \text{ generated by } \{ \text{"Koszul relations"} \\ j(a)b - j(b)a \text{ for } a, b \in F \} \end{array} \right\}$$

By def. $j(F_0) = 0$, i.e., $F_0 \in \mathcal{Q}$. We will define a complex of B -modules

$$L_2 \xrightarrow{d_2} L_1 \rightarrow L_0$$

with this information,

Take $L_2 = \mathcal{Q}/F_0$ and note L_2 is a B -mod.

Proof. Let $x \in I$, $a \in \mathcal{Q}$, then $x = j(x')$, $x' \in F$
 and $xa = j(x')a \equiv x'j(a) \pmod{F_0}$. \square

Now, define $L_1 = F \otimes_R B = F \otimes_R R/I = F/IF$

and $d_2: L_2 \rightarrow L_1$ induced by

$$\mathcal{Q} \hookrightarrow F \twoheadrightarrow IF$$

Finally, define

$$L_0 = \Omega_{R/A} \otimes_R B,$$

where $\Omega_{R/A}$ is the mod. of rel. diff., defined as

$$\Omega_{R/A} = \langle dr \mid r \in R \rangle_{\text{free } A\text{-mod}} / \left. \begin{array}{l} d(r+r') = dr + dr' \\ d(rr') = r dr' + r' dr \\ d(a) = 0, a \in A \end{array} \right\}$$

with a univ. morphism

$$\begin{aligned} d: R &\rightarrow \Omega_{R/A} \\ r &\mapsto dr \end{aligned}$$

Note that there is an induced map $\psi: L_1 := \bar{F}/I\bar{F} \rightarrow I/I^2$ and an exact sequence

$$I/I^2 \xrightarrow{\delta} \Omega_{R/A} \otimes_R B \xrightarrow{\psi} \Omega_{B/A} \rightarrow 0$$

$$r \mapsto dr \otimes 1$$

so, we define $d_1 := \delta \circ \psi: L_1 \rightarrow L_0$.

Remark. $d_1 d_2 (q + F_0) = d_1 (q + IF) = 0$

Thus, $L_2 \xrightarrow{d_2} L_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} L_0$ is a complex of B -mods. (2) = 0

Remark. $L_1 = F \otimes_R B$ free B -mod.

$L_0 = \Omega_{R/A} \otimes B$ free B -mod (since $R = A[x]$).

Def. For $M \in B\text{-Mod}$, we define

$$T^i(B/A, M) = h^i(\text{Hom}_B(L_\bullet, M))$$

Explicitly, $L_2 \xrightarrow{d_2} L_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} L_0$ induces

$$\text{Hom}_B(L_2, M) \xleftarrow{d_2^*} \text{Hom}_B(L_1, M) \xleftarrow{d_1^*} \text{Hom}_B(L_0, M)$$

$$g d_2 \quad \leftarrow \quad f d_1 \quad \leftarrow \quad f$$

$$g \quad \leftarrow \quad f$$

Then, $T^0(B/A, M) = \ker d_1^*$

$T^1(B/A, M) = \ker d_2^* / \text{Im } d_1^*$

$T^2(B/A, M) = \text{Hom}_B(L_2, M) / \text{Im } d_2^*$

Claim. The modules T^i are independent of the choice of F and R .

Properties derived from the construction.

(1) For $A \rightarrow B$, $M \in B\text{-Mod}$,

$$L_1 = F/IF \rightarrow I/I^2, \quad L_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} L_0 \rightarrow \Omega_{B/A} \rightarrow 0$$

exact

Taking $\text{Hom}_B(-, M)$ we have

$$\text{Hom}_B(L_1, M) \xleftarrow{d_1^*} \text{Hom}_B(L_0, M) \xleftarrow{\text{Hom}_B(\Omega_{B/A}, M)} 0$$

$\stackrel{\cong}{=} D_{M/A}(B, M)$

$$\Rightarrow T^0(B/A, M) = \text{Hom}_B(\Omega_{B/A}, M)$$

In particular, $T^0(B/A, B) = \text{Hom}_B(\Omega_{B/A}, B) =: T_{B/A}$
 "the tangent mod of B over A "

(2) If $B = A[x]$, take $R = B$, $I = 0$, $F = 0$,
 so $L_2 = L_1 = 0 \rightsquigarrow T^i = 0$ for $i = 1, 2$, $\forall M$.

(3) Suppose $f: A \rightarrow B$ is surjective, $I = \ker f$. Then,
 $T^0(B/A, M) = 0$ and $T^1(B/A, M) = \text{Hom}_B(I/I^2, M) \forall M$.

Indeed, take $R = A \Rightarrow L_0 = \Omega_{A/A} \otimes B = 0 \Rightarrow T_0 = 0$.

* $0 \rightarrow Q \rightarrow F \rightarrow I \rightarrow 0$ gives

$$Q \otimes_A B \rightarrow F \otimes_A B \rightarrow I \otimes_A B \rightarrow 0$$

$\stackrel{\cong}{=} I/I^2$

* $Q \rightarrow Q/F_0 \rightarrow Q \otimes_A B \rightarrow (Q/F_0) \otimes_A B \simeq Q/F_0$

Then,

$$Q \otimes_A B \rightarrow L_1 \rightarrow I/I^2 \rightarrow 0$$

\downarrow
 $L_2 = Q/F_0$

gives us

$$\text{Hom}_B(L_2, M) \xleftarrow{d_2^*} \text{Hom}_B(L_1, M) \xleftarrow{d_1^*} \text{Hom}_B(I/I^2, M) \leftarrow 0$$

$$\leadsto T^1(B/A, M) = \ker d_2^* / \text{Im } d_1^* = \text{Hom}_B(I/I^2, M)$$

0

(4) By construction, $T^i(B/A, -): B\text{-mod} \rightarrow B\text{-mod}$ is a covariant additive functor, and if $0 \rightarrow M' \rightarrow M \rightarrow M'' \rightarrow 0$ is exact, then there is a l.c.s

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\rightarrow T^0(B/A, M') \rightarrow T^0(B/A, M) \rightarrow T^0(B/A, M'') \\ &\rightarrow T^1(B/A, M') \rightarrow T^1(B/A, M) \rightarrow T^1(B/A, M'') \\ &\rightarrow T^2(B/A, M') \rightarrow T^2(B/A, M) \rightarrow T^2(B/A, M''). \end{aligned}$$

Thm. If $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$ are rings, $M \in C\text{-mod}$, then there is an exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\rightarrow T^0(C/B, M) \rightarrow T^0(C/A, M) \rightarrow T^0(B/A, M) \\ &\rightarrow T^1(C/B, M) \rightarrow T^1(C/A, M) \rightarrow T^1(B/A, M) \\ &\rightarrow T^2(C/B, M) \rightarrow T^2(C/A, M) \rightarrow T^2(B/A, M). \end{aligned}$$

Corollary. Suppose $A = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$, $B = A/I$. Then, $\forall M$, the sequence

$$0 \rightarrow T^0(B/k, M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\Omega_{A/k}, M) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(I/I^2, M) \rightarrow T^1(B/k, M) \rightarrow 0$$

is exact and $T^2(B/A, M) \simeq T^2(B/k, M)$.

Proof. $\kappa \rightarrow A \rightarrow B$ induces the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow T^0(B/A, M) \xrightarrow{\beta_1} T^0(B/\kappa, M) \rightarrow T^0(A/\kappa, M) \xrightarrow{\beta_1} \text{Hom}(\Omega_{A/\kappa}, M)$$

$$\rightarrow T^1(B/A, M) \xrightarrow{\beta_2} T^1(B/\kappa, M) \rightarrow T^1(A/\kappa, M) \xrightarrow{\beta_2} \text{Hom}(I/I^2, M)$$

$$\rightarrow T^2(B/A, M) \rightarrow T^2(B/\kappa, M) \rightarrow T^2(A/\kappa, M) \xrightarrow{\beta_3}$$