

1 Part 1 (March 15)

def of presheaf: functor from $Op(X)^{op}$ to Set . inclusion becomes restriction

def of sheaf: gluing+locality axiom / limit condition

locally constant sheaf

poset-stratification

conical strat

refinement power set

artin gluing

2 Part 2 (March 22)

Recall from last time: poset stratification, conical stratification, constructible sheaf.

$f : X \rightarrow (A, \leq)$ is a poset-stratified space.

$\Delta_{alg}^n = \mathbf{P}(\{0, 1, \dots, n\})$ is the *algebraic* n -simplex

$\Delta_{top}^n = \{t_0 e_0 + t_1 e_1 + \dots + t_n e_n : t_i \in [0, 1], e_i = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0), \sum t_i = 1\}$ is the *topological* n -simplex

Geometric realization links the two: $|\Delta_{alg}^n| \cong \Delta_{top}^n$

2.1 Exit paths

Cat of top spaces has pathologies, not nice. Consider spaces homotopy equiv to simplicial complexes.

Use $\text{Sing}(X) = \{\text{continuous maps } \Delta_{top}^n \rightarrow X\}$, with $|\text{Sing}(X)| \cong X$ when X is a “simp top space”

exit path (1-version): A path $\gamma : I \rightarrow X$ is an *exit path* if $f(\gamma(0)) = a \leq b = f(\gamma(t > 0))$.

exit path (∞ -version): A map $\gamma : \Delta_{top}^n \rightarrow X$ is an *exit path* if there exists a chain $a_0 \leq \dots \leq a_n$ in A such that $f(\gamma(t_0, \dots, t_i, 0, \dots, 0)) = a_i$ for $t_i \neq 0$.

The ∞ -version paths form a subcategory $\text{Sing}^A(X) \subseteq \text{Sing}(X)$.

Lurie describes the following maps:

$$\text{Fun}(\text{Sing}^A(X), \mathcal{S}) \left(\xrightarrow{\cong} N(\text{Fib}(\text{Fun}(\text{Sing}^A(X), \text{sSet}))) \xrightarrow{\cong} N(\text{Fib}(\text{sSet}_{/\text{Sing}^A(X)})) \right) \longrightarrow \text{PreShv}(X)$$

On left: A is very simple “space,” natural functor $\text{Sing}^A(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ with $\gamma \mapsto (a_0 \rightarrow a_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow a_n)$

What is associated presheaf?

On right: when $X = \text{Ran}^{\leq n}(M) \times \mathbf{R}_{\geq 0}$, have natural sheaf

Does it come from a functor $\text{Sing}^A(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$?

When $f : X \rightarrow A$ is a conical stratification (and X is paracompact), last map is isomorphism onto subcategory of constructible (\mathcal{S} -valued) sheaves on X .

2.2 The Riemann–Hilbert correspondence

Hilbert’s 21st problem asks for: *Proof of the existence of linear differential equations having a prescribed monodromic group.*

The **monodromy group** of differential equations on $S \subseteq \mathbf{C}$ open, connected, is (the image of) a homomorphism $\pi_1(S) \rightarrow GL_n(\mathbf{C})$ (a linear representation of $\pi_1(S)$).

H21Q answered in negative. Answered in positive when adjusted and extended to higher dims as: For M a compact manifold, there is an equivalence between:

vector bundles with flat connections on M and representations of $\pi_1(M)$
(regular holonomic) \mathcal{D} -modules on M and \mathbf{C} -constructible sheaves on M

A *connection* on a vector bundle $E \rightarrow M$ is a map $\nabla : \Gamma(E) \rightarrow \Gamma(E \otimes T^*M)$. \mathcal{D} is the sheaf of differential operators on M (derivations of the sheaf of differentiable functions on M)