

- new office hour times: M: 11-12
  - W: 2:30-3:30
  - F: 4-5
  - first problem set posted Thursday  
(will say more on Thursday)
  - put lecture note pdf's on the main website.
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Last time: stalks:  $\mathcal{F}_p = \{(U \ni p, s \in \mathcal{F}(U))\} / \sim$

Lemma: (germs determine sections): Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a sheaf on  $X$ ,  
let  $U \subseteq X$ . Then the natural map:

$$\mathcal{F}(U) \xrightarrow{\text{open}} \prod_{p \in U} \mathcal{F}_p \text{ is injective.}$$

Pf: If  $s_1, s_2$  agree on all stalks, then they agree  
on an open cover, so  $s_1 = s_2$  by identity axiom  
for sheaves.

## Morphisms of sheaves:

Want sheaves to form a category

(Category = objects, morphisms, identity morphisms,  
...  
composition of morphisms)

Tempting to define a morphism from a sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $X$   
to a sheaf  $\mathcal{G}$  on  $Y$  as an  
underlying continuous map  $X \rightarrow Y$   
+ something on the sheaf structure.

(We won't do this but the category of schemes will be  
defined similarly later.)

Instead: fix  $X$ , consider two sheaves on  $X$ .

Def: Let  $X$  be a top. space. The category of sheaves (of sets) on  $X$  is denoted  $\text{Sets}_X$ .

The objects of  $\text{Sets}_X$  are sheaves  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $X$ .

The morphisms of  $\text{Sets}_X$  are defined as follows:

$\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \text{Sets}_X$ . A morphism  $\pi: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  is given

by:  $\pi(v): \mathcal{F}(v) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(v)$  (functions of sets)

commuting with  
restriction maps.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \downarrow \text{res}_{UV} \circ & \downarrow \text{res}_{UV} \\ \mathcal{F}(v) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{G}(v) \\ & \pi(v) & \end{array} .$$

Similarly define  $\text{Sets}_X^{\text{pre}}$  to be the category of presheaves on  $X$ .

Example:  $X, Y$  top. spaces,  $p \in X$

$\mathcal{F}$  = sheaf on  $X$  of continuous functions to  $Y$ .

$\mathcal{G}$  = skyscraper sheaf on  $X$  at  $p \in X$  with values in  $Y$ .

$\pi: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  morphism given by taking value of function at  $p$ .

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Some of our definitions/constructions from last time can be interpreted as functors!

pushforward: if  $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous, can define a functor  $\pi_*: \text{Sets}_X \rightarrow \text{Sets}_Y$ .

(functor: take objects to objects,  
morphisms to morphisms,  
distributes over composition of morphisms,

so here we need an induced map

$$\pi_*: \mathcal{F} \mapsto$$

stalk at a given point:  $(\ )_p: \text{Sets}_X \rightarrow \text{Sets}$ .

~~etale~~ (morphisms of sheaves induce maps on stalks)

Lemma: (morphisms are determined by stalks)

$$\text{Mor}_{\text{Sets}_X}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}) \xrightarrow{\text{pre}} \prod_{p \in X} \text{Mor}_{\text{Sets}}(\mathcal{F}_p, \mathcal{G}_p)$$

$\underbrace{\text{set of morphisms}}_{\text{in category } \text{Sets}_X}$       is injective.

Pf.: (consequence of previous lemma).

In practice, our sets of sections  $\mathcal{F}(U)$  will usually have more structure,

Def: The category of sheaves of abelian groups on  $X$  is denoted  $\text{Ab}_X$  and is identical to  $\text{Sets}_X$  except that the  $\mathcal{F}(U)$  and restriction/sheaf morphism maps between them are in  $\text{Ab}_X$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{F}(U) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{G}(U) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{F}(V) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{G}(V) \end{array}$$

important that  
this is a category  
of "sets with extra  
structure"

Similarly define  $\text{Ab}_X^{\text{pre}}$ ,  $\text{Rings}_X$ ,  $\text{Rings}_X^{\text{pre}}$ , ...

In nice cases, stalks will exist and have the appropriate structure themselves:

if  $\mathcal{F} \in \text{Ab}_X$ , then  $\mathcal{F}_p \in \text{Ab}$   $\{(U, s)\}/\sim$

The type of sheaves that will matter most to us is sheaves of rings.

It will be useful to take a digression to  $\text{Ab}_X$ .

Thm: 1)  $\text{Ab}_X^{\text{pre}}$  is an abelian category

2)  $\text{Ab}_X$  is an abelian category

category like  $\text{Ab}$ ,  $\text{Mod}_A$

Today: define abelian category, part 1 of Thm (pre-sheaves)

Thursday: part 2 (sheaves)

Def: A category  $\mathcal{C}$  is additive if:

- for  $A, B \in \mathcal{C}$ ,  $\text{Mor}(A, B)$  has the structure of an abelian group, and composition distributes over ~~of~~ addition.
- There is a zero object  $0 \in \mathcal{C}$ , i.e.  
 $\text{Mor}(A, 0) = \text{Mor}(0, A) = 0$ .
- products of two objects exist.  
categorical.

(in an additive category, write  $\text{Hom}(A, B)$  instead of  $\text{Mor}(A, B)$ )

Def: An abelian category is an additive category satisfying:

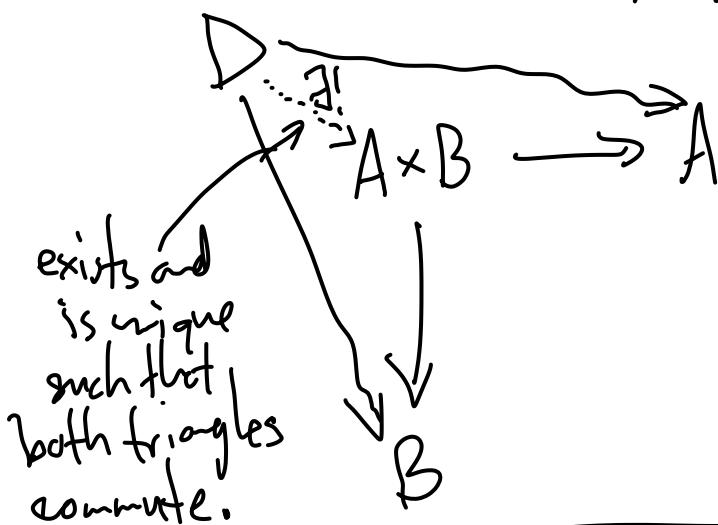
- kernels and cokernels exist
- every monomorphism is the kernel of its cokernel
- every epimorphism is the cokernel of its kernel.

Def: The product of two objects  $A, B \in \mathcal{C}$  is an object  $A \times B \in \mathcal{C}$  along with morphisms to  $A$  and  $B$  s.t.

$A \times B \rightarrow A$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $B$

if  $D$  is another such (object+morphisms) to  $A$  and  $B$ ,

then it factors uniquely through  $A \times B$ !

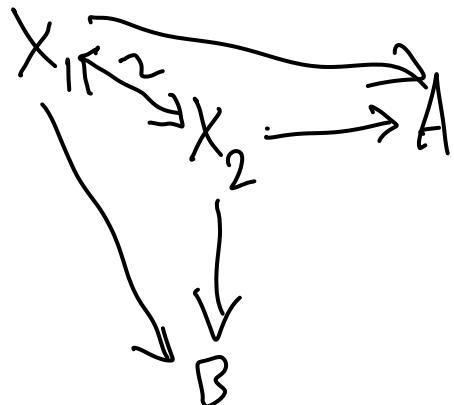


If a product  $A \times B$  exists in  $\mathcal{C}$ , it is "unique up to unique isomorphism"

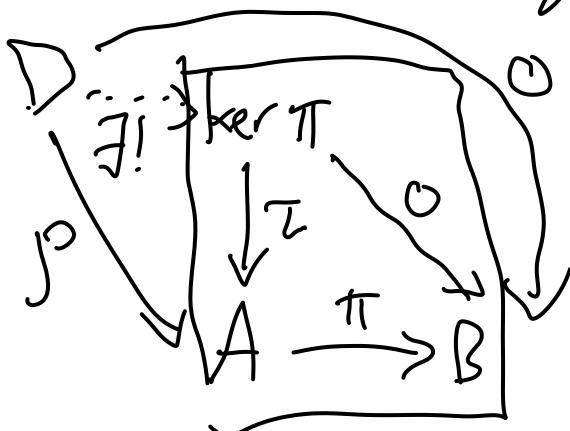
Fact about universal prop. definitions like this:

$A \times B$  is unique up to unique isomorphism;

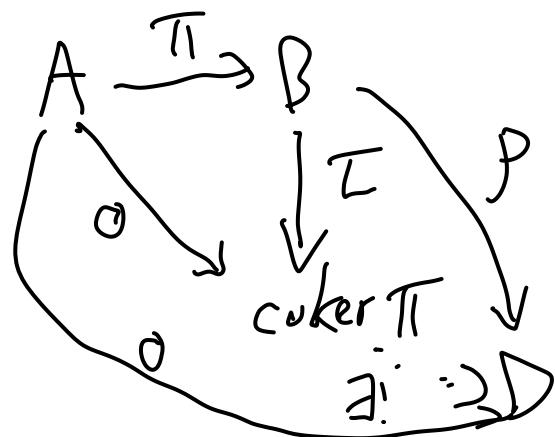
If  $X_1, X_2$  were two candidates for  $A \times B$ :



Def: The kernel of a morphism  $\pi: A \rightarrow B$  in an additive category  $\mathcal{C}$  is an object  $(\ker \pi) \in \mathcal{C}$  along with a morphism  $\tau: (\ker \pi) \rightarrow A$  s.t.  $\pi \circ \tau: (\ker \pi) \rightarrow B$  is the zero morphism, and s.t. if  $D, p: D \rightarrow A$  satisfy the same condition  $((\pi \circ p) = 0 \in \text{Hom}(D, B))$ , then  $(D, p)$  factors uniquely through  $(\ker \pi, \tau)$ :



Can define a cokernel similarly using.



Note: in general, given a diagram in a category  $\mathcal{C}$   
 collection of objects and  
 morphisms between  
 them.

can define the limit of the diagram as  
 the universal object mapping to the diagram.

product: diagram

A

(no arrows)

B

limit: universal object

$A \times B \rightarrow A$

diagram

kernel: diagram

$$A \xrightarrow{\pi} B$$

