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DG - Categories

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Drawbacks with triangulated categories! as basic but not as good as Hilbert spaces

DG & A∞ category ... practically equivalent richer structures, also simpler, core naturally in derived category context.

k commutative ring

Complex = complex of k-modules

usual picture of complex... alternately $\mathcal{C} = \bigoplus \mathcal{C}^i$, $d: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ deg $\mathcal{C}^i = 1$, $d^2 = 0$

i.e. \mathcal{C} is a DG k-module : better PV psychologically!

complexes form a tensor category (symmetric monoidal category)

$\otimes : \{k\text{-DG-mod}\} \times \{k\text{-DG-mod}\} \rightarrow \{k\text{-DG-mod}\}$

simplex to write in DG language:

$\mathcal{C} \otimes \mathcal{C}'$ usual \otimes on underlying k-modules with sum of gradings, differential using (graded) Leibniz formula

... think uniformly in language of \otimes categories rather than in "complex" picture.

$(A \otimes B) \otimes \mathcal{C} \xrightarrow{\sim} A \otimes (B \otimes \mathcal{C})$, $A \otimes B \xrightarrow{\sim} B \otimes A$ functorial

isomorphisms satisfying identities.

Associativity for complexes obvious, commutativity is supercommutativity

homog
elts

$a \otimes b \mapsto (-1)^{pq} b \otimes a$ $p = \text{deg } a, q = \text{deg } b$
k = with object.

Def DG-category = category enriched over k-DG-modules.

A category has objects $\text{Ob } \mathcal{A}$,

& $\text{Hom}(X, Y) \in k\text{-DG-mod}$ morphism

composition $\text{Hom}(X, Y) \otimes \text{Hom}(Y, Z) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(X, Z)$ associative.

Identity: $X \in \text{Ob } \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow \text{morph } k \rightarrow \text{Hom}(X, X)$

map $k \rightarrow \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Hom}(X, X)$ with $\text{deg } z = 0$ & $d z = 0$

so $\text{id}_X \in \text{Hom}(X, X)$ deg 0 closed.

Can consider as plain category: forget grading & differential
 $\rightarrow k\text{-linear category}$.

Another categorical way to pass from a \mathcal{C} to usual category: can replace \mathcal{C} by set $\text{Hom}(k, \mathcal{C}) =$ (cycles of degree zero) ...

Examples \mathcal{C} k -DG-mod is a DG-category: $\text{Hom}(e, e')$ has natural DG-mod! grading comes from natural \mathbb{G}_m action on $\text{Hom} \dots$
 replace whole Hom by sum of homogeneous submodules (in graded mod) $\text{Hom}(e, e')^n = \prod_k \text{Hom}(e^k, e'^k)$

Morphism of complexes is a 0-cocycle in this dg $\text{Hom}(e, e')$ ie. $\text{Hom}_{\text{complex}}(e, e') = \text{Hom}(k, \text{Hom}(e, e'))$

So DG-categories are categories with k -mod structure on hom sets so that compositions are k -linear.

Where does commutativity of \otimes come in? \rightarrow can speak of dual category of DG category $\mathcal{A}^{\circ} =$ dual DG category

Example 1 DG category with one object \leftrightarrow DG-algebra (unital-implicit base k)

2. A usual k -linear category = DG category with Hom are dg 0 $d=0$.

3. Complexes of R -modules, R an algebra

3'. Complexes of R -modules, \mathcal{R} a k -linear category:

R -module = k -linear functor $\mathcal{R} \rightarrow k\text{-mod}$

- psychologically important - think of more concretely Δ containedly...
 e.g. left A -mod & right A -mod \Rightarrow group/module

- same construction for R -modules

e.g. $X_1, \dots, X_n \in \mathcal{R}$ fin many objects s.t. each object of \mathcal{R} is isomorphic to a direct sum (finite) of these $\rightarrow R$ -module is module over $R = \text{End} \bigoplus X_i$ formal sum.

Even if \mathcal{R} arbitrary, can form formal direct sum $\bigoplus \text{Hom}(X, Y)$ - get algebra but without unit, only near X, Y idempotents

4. DG-modules over a DG-algebra $R = \text{th}_k \xrightarrow{R_k} \dots$
 (Q: special case of 3' for $\mathcal{R} = \dots$)

Another POV: a quasifactor is a bimodule over A_1, A_2 with certain properties.

Another POV: Aus-functors between DG categories...
 is replace A by a cotan (canonical) resolution
 - at least over a field!

Triangulated Categories

Example $K(C) =$ homotopy category of complexes in a k -linear category

A triangulated category is a graded category with additional structure. ∴ A "candidate triangle" is

$$\deg f = \deg s = 0, \quad \deg h = 1, \quad gf = 0 = hs = fh$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y & \xrightarrow{g} & Z \\ & & & \searrow h & \\ & & & & Z \end{array}$$

Additional structure: some candidate Δ 's are "distinguished" + axioms...

Don't require shift as structure: ~~only~~ in this graded setting ask for representability of suspension:

Axiom 0 $\forall X \in \mathcal{T} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \exists Y \xrightarrow{f} X \quad \deg f = n$
 s.t. f^{-1} exists.

\Rightarrow defines us to unique isomorphism, call $Y = \Sigma^n X$
 \Rightarrow weak action of \mathbb{Z} on \mathcal{T} .

$K(C)$: distinguished Δ is is to $X \xrightarrow{f} Y \rightarrow \text{Cone } f \rightarrow X(1)$

$(\text{Cone } f)^n = Y^n \oplus X^{n+1}$

$d_{X(1)} = -d_X$

$d((f)) = \begin{pmatrix} d_Y & f \\ 0 & -d_X \end{pmatrix}$

Another POV (Deligne):

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \dots & \rightarrow & Y^{n-1} & \rightarrow & Y^n & \rightarrow & Y^{n+1} & \rightarrow & \dots & \text{dg 0} \\ & & \uparrow & & \uparrow f & & \uparrow & & & \\ & & X^{n-1} & \rightarrow & X^n & \rightarrow & X^{n+1} & \rightarrow & X^{n+2} & \text{dg 1} \end{array}$$

- forms a double complex (almost), & cone is total complex ... really naive double complex!

$d^2 = fd = fd^2 = 0$ no signs so don't set $(d' + d'')^2 = 0$, so must introduce signs

Examples a. $K(C)$ or $K(R\text{-mod})$ R k -algebra

b. $H^0(R\text{-DG mod})$, R a DG algebra or

c. $H^i(R\text{-DG mod})$

T a triangulated category $\Rightarrow T'$ a full subcategory.
 a candidate triangle in T' is distinguished if it is so in T
 ... use these to give Δ structure on T' \Rightarrow triangulated subcategory
 $\Leftrightarrow T'$ closed wrt suspensions, desuspensions & cones
 in weak sense

Advantage of DG categories! Yoneda $A \hookrightarrow A^0\text{-DG-mod}$
 Triangulated case here $T \hookrightarrow \text{Gata Functors } T \rightarrow \text{graded modules}$
 and in fact $T \hookrightarrow \text{cohomological functors}$, i.e. graded functors
 $T^0 \rightarrow \text{Graded bimodules}$. However cohomological functors
 don't have natural triangulated structure.

DG categories II

A DG category \Rightarrow homology category $H^0(A)$
 $A_1 \rightarrow A_2$ DG functor is a quasi-equivalence if induced
 equivalence $H^0(A_1) \rightarrow H^0(A_2)$.
 would like to localize "world" of DG categories wrt quasi-equivalences.

Triangulated category: graded category +
 additional structure, class of distinguished triangles.

Yoneda: $A \xrightarrow{\text{full}} A^0\text{-DG-mod}$, $H^0(A) \hookrightarrow H^0(A^0\text{-DG-mod})$
 \downarrow

Def A candidate triangle in $H^0(A)$ has triangulated structure
 $H^0(A)$ is said to be distinguished if it
 is distinguished in $H^0(A^0\text{-DG-mod})$
 A is said to be pre-triangulated if $H^0(A)$ is
 triangulated when equipped with this structure, i.e.
 if $H^0(A)$ is a triangulated subcategory of $H^0(A^0\text{-DG-mod})$,
 — i.e. closed under cones & desuspensions.

Problem: this def is not self-evident: in $H^0(A^0)$ get two notions
 of distinguished triangle, opposite to each other, not clear
 if they agree. Do DG functors preserve these
 distinguished triangles? etc.
 \rightsquigarrow more convenient to reformulate concretely

4' DG-mods over a DG-category \mathcal{R} \mathcal{R} -DG-mod
 (DG-functor $\mathcal{R} \rightarrow k\text{-DG-mod}$)

For any DG-category \mathcal{R} have Yoneda embedding $\mathcal{R} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{R}^0\text{-DG-mod}$
 (right \mathcal{R} -mod) $X \mapsto h_X$, $h_X(Y) = \text{Hom}(Y, X)$
 contrast

"embedding": fully faithful ($\text{Hom}(X, Y) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(F(X), F(Y))$ isomorphism)

$\mathcal{A} = \text{DG category}$, $\text{Ho}(\mathcal{A}) = \underline{\text{homotopy category}}$

Ob $\text{Ho}(\mathcal{A}) = \text{Ob } \mathcal{A}$

$X, Y \in \text{Ob } \mathcal{A}$ $\text{Ho}(\mathcal{A})$ -morphisms $X \rightarrow Y$ are $H^0(\text{Hom}(X, Y))$.

Other notation $\text{Ho}(\mathcal{A}) = H^0(\mathcal{A})$.

$\text{Ho}^0(\mathcal{A}) = \text{graded category}$, the graded homotopy category, with
 morphisms elements of $\bigoplus H^n \text{Hom}(X, Y) =: \text{Ext}^n(X, Y)$
 ... can have property (not structure) of being

triangulated ... if not can add some objects to make it triangulated.

Def A DG-functor $F: \mathcal{A}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_2$ is a quasi-equivalence
 if $\text{Ho}^0(F): \text{Ho}^0(\mathcal{A}_1) \rightarrow \text{Ho}^0(\mathcal{A}_2)$ is an equivalence, i.e.
 1. $\text{Hom}(X, Y) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(F(X), F(Y))$ is a quasisom.
 2. essential surjectivity of $\text{Ho}^0(F): \text{Ho}^0(\mathcal{A}_1) \rightarrow \text{Ho}^0(\mathcal{A}_2)$
 (non-graded version): $\forall Z \in \mathcal{A}_2 \exists X \in \mathcal{A}_1$
 $f: F(X) \rightarrow Z$ $\deg F = 0$ $df = 0$, f has
 a homotopy inverse.

$\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{A}_2$ DG-categories are quasi-equivalent if
 diagram of quasi-equivalences

of dg categories
 ... is equivalence to quasi-equivalences
 ... what do dg functors form?

"Fuzzy notion" of quasi-functor $\mathcal{A}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_2$:

\mathcal{A}_1 DG-functor \mathcal{A}_2 These form (Adams Kontsevich) a DG-category
 in Assoc setting
 quasi-equivalences

Need for A^0 -DG-mod: carries cores of morphisms from \mathcal{A} .
 $\text{Coe}(f: X \rightarrow Y) = \text{Coe}(h_X \xrightarrow{f} h_Y)$
 on representable functors.
 — Don't need full A^0 -DG-mod — just coes (& total coes) & desuspensions, so don't need big A^0 -DG-mod.

\mathcal{C} pre-additive category (have sums of morphisms but not nec direct sums) — to formally add direct sums can go several routes!

Or concretely just look at category with objects $\bigoplus \mathcal{C}_i$, $\mathcal{C} \in \mathcal{C}$ formal direct sums, morphisms just matrices (rather than "linear transformations" in other defs).
 $\mathcal{C} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{C}^0\text{-mod} \hookrightarrow (\mathcal{C}\text{-mod})^0$
 ... both have finite \bigoplus can add them

"Def of 'the' pretriangulated hull"

Step 1 Replace A^0 -DG-mod by $\tilde{\mathcal{A}} \subset A^0$ -DG-mod full subcategory: smallest full DG-subcategory s.t. $\tilde{\mathcal{A}} \supset \mathcal{A}$ and

- $M \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}, M' \simeq M$ isomorphism $\Rightarrow M' \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}$
- $M \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}, n \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow M[n] \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}$
- $M \ni$ stable wrt semisplit extensions: $0 \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow M_2 \rightarrow M_3 \rightarrow 0$ is semisplit extension (of DG-modules) if split in range of graded modules ... eg core $0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow \text{Coe}(M \rightarrow N) \rightarrow M[1] \rightarrow 0$
 — f identifies failure of splitting to be closed — \leftarrow semisplitting
 its differential is f .

More concretely $M \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}} \iff \exists 0 = M_0 \subset \dots \subset M_n = M$ finite filtration s.t. $M_i/M_{i-1} \simeq h_{a_i}[r_i]$ $a_i \in \mathcal{A}, r_i \in \mathbb{Z}$
 — representable up to shift. ($h_a \in A^0$ -DG-mod $\iff a \in \mathcal{A}$)
 ... the extensions $0 \rightarrow M_{i+1} \rightarrow M_i \rightarrow M_i/M_{i-1} \rightarrow 0$ are automatically semisplit because representable functors are projective objects $h_a \in A^0$ -graded modules.

eg suppose $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}$ is an algebra (ie only one object)
 — $a \in \mathcal{A}$! object \Rightarrow module $h_a = \mathcal{A}$ as \mathcal{A} -module, which is free \Rightarrow projective.

Step 2 Fix the splittings $0 \rightarrow M_{i+1} \rightarrow M_i \rightarrow M_i/M_{i+1} \rightarrow 0$
 So $M = \bigoplus h_a[r_i]$ as graded module.

As a DG-module $M = \left(\bigoplus_i a_i [r_i] \bigvee_{i=0}^{\infty} d + \omega \right)$

$d =$ standard differential on direct sum of dg modules

$\omega = (\omega_{ij})$ $\omega_{ij} \in \text{Hom}(a_j, a_i) [r_i - r_j]$
of degree 1 (with grading)

- ω is strictly upper triangular $\omega_{ij} = 0$ if $i > j$
- $\bigvee_{i=0}^{\infty} \omega^2 = 0$ i.e. $[d\omega + \omega^2 = 0]$ flat connection.
(Maurer-Cartan eqn).

Def $\mathcal{A}^{\text{pretr}}$ the pretriangulated hull of \mathcal{A} : "DG category of twisted complexes"

Ob $\mathcal{A}^{\text{pretr}}$ are formal expressions $\left(\bigoplus_{i=1}^n a_i [r_i], \omega \right)$
 $\omega = (\omega_{ij})$ as above.

$\text{Hom} \left(\bigoplus a_i [r_i], \bigoplus a_i' [r_i'] \right)$ as graded module
(ie ignore d , hence ω) is just space of matrices

$f = (f_{ij})$ $f_{ij} \in \text{Hom}(a_j, a_i') [r_i' - r_j]$.

composition automatic
 $\nabla f = \bigvee_{i=0}^{\infty} \omega' f - f \bigvee_{i=0}^{\infty} \omega (-1)^{\deg f}$ super commutator:
symbol ∇ has degree 1 $= d_{\text{naive}} + \omega' f - (-1)^{\deg f} f \omega$.

'twisted complexes' --- Takeda-Tay.

This definition is clearly self-dual, & clear that
DG functors extend automatically to pretriangulated hull.

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ in $\mathcal{A} \Rightarrow \text{Core}(f) \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{pretr}}$ canonical object
 $\text{Core}(f) = \left(Y \oplus X[1], \begin{pmatrix} 0 & f \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right)$.
 $X \in \mathcal{A}, X[1] \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{pretr}}$

Def $\begin{array}{ccc} & X & \rightarrow Y \\ & \swarrow & \searrow \\ X & & \end{array}$ in $\text{Ho}(\mathcal{A})$ is distinguished if it is
isomorphic to $\begin{array}{ccc} & X & \rightarrow Y \\ & \swarrow & \searrow \\ X & & \text{Core}(f) \end{array}$

\mathcal{A} is pretriangulated if $\forall f: X \rightarrow Y$ in \mathcal{A} , $\text{Core}(f)$
is homotopy equivalent to an object of \mathcal{A} , & see for $X[n]$ no!!

Exercise 1. Notion of distinguished Δ is self dual

2. $F: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ DG-functor $\Rightarrow \text{Ho} F: \text{Ho} \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \text{Ho} \mathcal{B}$

- Sends distinguished triangles to distinguished triangles. If $\text{Ho} F$ fully faithful \Rightarrow converse also holds.
3. $\mathcal{A}^{\text{pretr}}$ is a pretriangulated DG-category
 4. $\text{Ho}(\mathcal{A}^{\text{pretr}})$ is generated as Δ -category by $\text{Ho}(\mathcal{A})$
 5. \mathcal{A} is pretriangulated iff $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}^{\text{pretr}}$ is a quasi-equivalence.
 6. $\mathcal{A}^{\text{pretr}} \rightarrow (\mathcal{A}^{\text{pretr}})^{\text{pretr}}$ is an equivalence of DG-categories.
 7. If $F: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is a quasi-equivalence then it induces a quasi-equivalence $F^{\text{pretr}}: \mathcal{A}^{\text{pretr}} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^{\text{pretr}}$

Bondal-Kapranov notation $\mathcal{A}^{\text{tr}} := \text{Ho}(\mathcal{A}^{\text{pretr}})$.

\mathcal{A} DG-category \rightarrow triangulated category.
 Do derived categories, e.g. $D(\mathcal{A}\text{-mod})$ or $D(\text{abelian category})$ are complicated objects take another look

\mathcal{A} a DG category $\Rightarrow D(\mathcal{A}) :=$ derived category of \mathcal{A} -modules $:= \text{Ho}(\mathcal{A}^0\text{-DG-mod}) / (\text{acyclic } \mathcal{A}^0\text{-mod})$
 - quotient of triangulated category by subcategory.

Importance of this example (B. Keller): have Yoneda $\mathcal{A} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{A}^0\text{-DG-mod}$ extends \Rightarrow fully faithful $\mathcal{A}^{\text{tr}} := \text{Ho}(\mathcal{A}^{\text{pretr}}) \hookrightarrow D(\mathcal{A})$
 fully faithful ... so any of the \mathcal{A}^{tr} is embedded into such a derived category of modules.

Exercise*: A quasi-equivalence $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ induces an equivalence $D(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow D(\mathcal{B})$: have restriction functor Res & derived functor of induction LInd
 $D(\mathcal{A}) \xrightleftharpoons[\text{Res}]{\text{LInd}} D(\mathcal{B})$ always adjoint, & in this case adjoint functors are isomorphisms.

Q: $D(\mathcal{A}) = \text{Ho}(\mathcal{C})$? \mathcal{C} DG-category containing \mathcal{A} .
 Answer (known to topologists though question wasn't) - Spaltenstein, Avramov-Halperin, Hinich

Will define $\underline{A} \longrightarrow \mathcal{A}^0\text{-DG-mod}$: category of
semi-free DG-modules (in cell complexes...)
 so that $\text{Ho}^*(\underline{A}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A})$ is an equivalence.

Well known (in bounded setting) : R a usual ring,
 $\{ \text{Derived category of bounded above complexes of } R\text{-modules} \} = \{ \text{homotopy category of bounded above complexes of projective modules} \}$

try to eliminate boundedness:

Example $R = \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ (essential that R has ∞ homological dimension)

$$\dots \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{2} R \xrightarrow{2} R \xrightarrow{2} R \rightarrow \dots$$

acyclic complex but not homotopic to zero:

apply $\otimes_R \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$, preserves null-homotopy, but get
 $\dots \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2 \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{Z}/2 \xrightarrow{0} \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow \dots$

with nonzero cohomology!

So to eliminate boundedness need projectivity assumption on whole complex not its terms..

Exercise If \mathcal{A} has finite homological dimension (\exists finite proj resolution) then can remove boundedness in above ~~defn~~ equivalence.
 (in particular acyclic complexes of projectives will be null homotopic)

Def A DG- \mathcal{A}^0 -module P is free if it is DG-isomorphic to $\bigoplus_i h_{a_i}[r_i]$ (possibly infinite sum) \implies projective
 (in case of just a DG-algebra: module generated by e_i 's of degree $-r_i$ with $de_i = 0$).

P is semi-free if $\exists 0 = P_0 \subset P_1 \subset P_2 \subset \dots$ exhaustive filtration by DG-modules such that each quotient is free.
 free \implies projective so extensions are semi-split. (not split for differential!)

$\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{A}^0\text{-DG-mod}$ introduced before is just the DG-category of finitely generated semi-free DG-modules!

So $\{ \text{semi-free modules} \} \xrightarrow{\cong} \underline{\mathcal{A}}$ is infinite version of \mathcal{A} .

\mathcal{A} : ind-category of ind-objects (systems $\lim_{\rightarrow} X_i$ or certain \mathcal{A}^0 -modules .. representable functors)

\mathcal{I} abstract category of indices, functor $\mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$
 \rightarrow consider homotopy colimit of this functor, DG object associated to each simplicial object .. colimits of such & of weak (A-co-) functors like in \mathcal{A}

- inspired by (graded) cell complexes .. ie don't necessarily attach in correct order.

A DG-algebra. A DG-module P over \mathcal{A}^0 is semi-free if $\exists 0 = P_0 \subset P_1 \subset P_2 \subset \dots \cup P_i = P$, P_i freely generated by P_{i+1} & homogeneous generators $e_j, j \in J_i$ so that $d e_j \in P_{i-1}$.
 (& $d P_i | P_{i+1} = d P_{i+1}$)

of course $\iff P_i/P_{i+1}$ is free as dg module.

Advant of above condition: semi-freeness makes sense in nonlinear situation: eg for DG algebras
 - see def: exists filtration, of course quotients will be algebras .. $P_i = P_{i+1} \langle X_j \rangle$ freely generated by P_{i+1} & generators X_j , differentials are contained in subalgebra of old generators.
 see for algebras over any operad ..

eg topological semigroups: attaching cell means add cell in topological sense (map from sphere), generate semigroup by old semigroup & this cell with attaching map. --- combination of algebraic free generation & topological attaching cells

eg Stasheff operad: to what is it an answer? contract
 Sullivan resolution of the associative operad (in topological operads)

Theorem: \exists model structure on \mathcal{A}^0 DG-mod (or on DG-dg or semi-free operads or ..)
 with W : ~~homotopy equivalences~~ quasi-isomorphisms, F : surjections

The resulting cofibrant objects (ie morphisms $0 \rightarrow P$ are cofibrant) are retracts of semifree objects.
 (linear case: retract via direct-summand)

Example 3 A bounded above complex of free R -modules is semifree
 $\rightarrow P^{n-2} \rightarrow P^{n-1} \rightarrow P^n \rightarrow 0$; $P = \bigoplus P_i$, with stupid filtration
 --- so theorem about bounded above complexes is special case.

Example 4 $\rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{2} \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{2} \dots$
 is not semifree (can't find basis vector annihilated by the differential!)

Theorem $H_0(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A})$ is an equivalence.

Proof In bounded above setting: use Lemma 1: anything has bounded above projective resolution. Lemma 2: morphism from bounded above projective to acyclic is null homotopic...

Lemma 1 $\forall M \in \mathcal{A}^0$ -DG-mod \exists quasi $P \rightarrow M$, $P \in \mathcal{A}$
 (in fact can choose surjective - though not necessary).
 --- a model category ext!

Lemma 2 $P \in \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow \forall$ acyclic $M \in \mathcal{A}^0$ -DG-mod, every morphism $P \rightarrow M$ is homotopic to 0
 -- ie P is "K-projective" or "homotopically projective".

Exercise M is homotopically projective iff it is homotopy equivalent to a semifree module.

Proof of Lemma 2 : $P = \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} P_i$; P_i/P_{i-1} free. $f: M \rightarrow P$
 i.e. $f \in \text{Hom}(P, M)$; $\text{deg } f = 0, \text{df} = 0$

Construct homotopy: ie $f = dH$, $H \in \text{Hom}(P, M)$ $\text{deg } H = -1$
 -- build inductively. $H_i \in \text{Hom}(P_i, M)$ $\text{deg } -1$,
 $dH_i = f_i = f|_{P_i}$.

H_i given H_{i-1} : choose $\tilde{H}_i |_{P_{i-1}} = H_{i-1}$, \tilde{H}_i $\text{deg } +1$
 correct $H_i = \tilde{H}_i + H_{i-1}$, $\tilde{H}_i \in \text{Hom}(P_i/P_{i-1}, M)$ $\text{deg } +1$

s.t. $d(\tilde{H}_i = f_i - d\tilde{H}_{i-1}) \in \text{Hom}(P_i/P_{i-1}, M)$, $d(f_i - d\tilde{H}_{i-1}) = 0$

But this DG-module of Hom's is acyclic:

A/P_{i-1} is a direct sum of free (shifted) modules, so Hom is a product of shifted copies of $M \rightarrow$ acyclic

Proof Lemma 1

Sublemma $N \rightarrow M$ morphism of DG-modules

- $\Rightarrow \exists$ factorization $N \hookrightarrow N' \rightarrow M$
- s.t.
1. ~~N' acyclic~~ $H^*(N') \rightarrow H^*(M)$ bijective
 2. N'/N semifree

Sublemma \Rightarrow lemma: construct surjective $f: P \rightarrow M$

P_i semifree & $H^*P_i \rightarrow H^*M$

- then apply sublemma for $N=P_i \rightarrow P \rightarrow M$

surjective & isom on cohomology:

$m_i \in M$ a generator, make module with no generators
 e, e' of correct degree, $de = e, de' = 0$.

\rightarrow surjectivity on module. similarly for cohomology
 - lift to cocycles.

Proof of sublemma: enough to construct $N \hookrightarrow N_1 \rightarrow M$, N_1/N semifree

with $\text{Ker}(H^*N \rightarrow H^*M) = \text{Ker}(H^*N \rightarrow H^*N_1)$

--- then build $N' = \cup N_i$ where $N \hookrightarrow N_1 \hookrightarrow N_2 \hookrightarrow \dots \rightarrow M$

$K := \text{Ker}(H^*N \rightarrow H^*M)$. pick homog generators (H^*A needed)

... add cells to kill cohomology

V. Drinfeld - DG Categories III

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- 2-category of DG-categories ... partial answer to "What do DG-categories form?" ... really they form some kind of ∞ -category.

Today: All DG-categories are pretriangulated unless multibrowse

Typical example of 2-category: Cat - have objects: categories, morphisms: functors, 2-morphisms: natural transformations

We'll define 2-category DG-cat. Objects: (small) DG-categories $A, B \in \text{DG-cat} \Rightarrow T(A, B)$ category of quasi-functors ... $\text{Ob } T(A, B)$ are 1-morphisms of our 2-category, morphisms in $T(A, B)$ are 2-morphisms of DG-cat.

Composition is functor $T(A, B) \times T(B, C) \rightarrow T(A, C)$

Associativity here is structure not property:

weak associativity $A \xrightarrow{F} B \xrightarrow{G} C \xrightarrow{H} D$ is an isomorphism $((\phi G)F) \xrightarrow{\sim} (\phi(GF))$ functorial in all three - associativity constraint

+ Pentagon axiom for composable 1-morphisms

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (F_1, F_2, F_3) F_4 & \xrightarrow{\sim} & (F_1, (F_2, F_3)) F_4 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ (F_1, F_2)(F_3, F_4) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & F_1((F_2, F_3) F_4) \end{array}$$

$\forall A \in \text{DG-cat} \exists \text{id}_A \in T(A, A)$ s.t.

\exists isomorphism $\text{id}_A \circ F \xrightarrow{\sim} F$ functorial w.r.t F & similar for $F \circ \text{id}_A \rightarrow F$

Here $T(A, B)$ will in fact be triangulated

- Problem: should really replace $T(A, B)$ by DG-category!
Possible over a field, weaker over ring...

$A \in \text{DG-cat} \mapsto \text{Ho}(A)$ triangulated category,
will give a 2-functor $\text{Ho} : \text{DG-cat} \rightarrow \text{Cat}$

Stupid 2-category : DG-cat^{naive} : Objects are DG-cat.
 1-morphisms are DG-functors, 2-morphisms are closed
 morphisms of DG-functors : $F, G : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$
 a closed morphism is $\eta : F \rightarrow G$ s.t. $X \in \mathcal{A}$ $\eta_X : F(X) \rightarrow G(X)$
 is closed.

Problems: want to invert quasi-equivalence... also this
 notion of closed morphism not invariant w.r.t. quasi-equivalence.

Ex. \mathcal{A} arbitrary DG-category, k ground field constant
 as DG-algebra or DG category with one object
 $T(k, \mathcal{A}) (= T(k^{pretr}, \mathcal{A})) = ?$

Answer = $H_0(\mathcal{A})$!

Ex. $T(\mathcal{A}, k)$ $k =$ indversion
 \rightarrow of k^{pretr}

$k_s =$ semifree complexes

Answer: $T(\mathcal{A}, k) =$ derived category of \mathcal{A} -modules

(every \mathcal{A} -module is just DG-functor $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \text{complexes}$).

Here get derived not homotopy category ...

... doesn't change under quasi-equivalence unlike homotopy category

$= H_0(\mathcal{A}^0)$ left semifree \mathcal{A} -modules

$=: D(\mathcal{A})$

Ex. $T(\mathcal{A}, k^{pretr}) \subset D(\mathcal{A})$ full subcategory

$= \{ F : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \text{complexes} \text{ s.t. } \forall a \in \mathcal{A},$

$F(a)$ is quasi-isomorphic to a finite complex
 of free modules of finite rank $G \in k^{pretr} \}$

Keller's def $k =$ field

$T(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) := D(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}^0)$ derived category of bimodules
 ... "ind quasi-functors"

$M \in T(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ gives functor $F_M : H_0(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow D(\mathcal{B}^0)$
 $= H_0(\mathcal{B})$

$$T(A, B) = \{ M \in \underline{T}(A, B) : \forall a \in \text{Ob}(A) \mathbb{F}_M(a) \text{ is isomorphic to an object of } \text{Ho}(B) \}$$

-- can define $\underline{D}G\text{cat} \subset \underline{D}G\text{cat}$ where isomorphisms are ind quasifunctors in $\underline{T}(A, B) \dots$

Composition: $M \in \underline{T}(A, B) = \underline{D}(A \otimes B^0), N \in \underline{D}(B \otimes C^0)$
 $\Rightarrow M \overset{L}{\otimes}_B N \in \underline{D}(A \otimes C^0)$

Note: over a field can lift anything from \underline{D} to triangulated ... can choose all associative, trivial over a field! M, N semifree then don't need to derive $M \overset{L}{\otimes}_B N = M \otimes_B N$ & is semifree.

Not over field: only $\overset{L}{\otimes}$ will be well defined under quasi-equivalence (without see flatness assumptions...)

Any k : everything works under additional assumption of "flatness":

Def A is homotopically flat/ k if all Hom complexes are homotopically flat.

Def A complex C^\bullet is said to be homotopically flat if $C^\bullet \otimes C$ (acyclic) is acyclic.

Homotopical Flatness & Projectivity Real M is projective if

$\text{Hom}(M, -)$ is exact, complex C is homotopically projective if (fg) functor $\text{Hom}(P, -)$ preserves acyclicity \Leftrightarrow preserves quasi-isomorphisms

- A semifree complex is homotopically flat (\varinjlim of fg semifree modules, \otimes commutes with filtering direct limits)
- Show homotopical projectivity \rightarrow homotopical flatness
- Suppose C is homotopically flat & acyclic $\Rightarrow C \otimes (\text{any complex})$ is acyclic \dots

safer to have all non modules semifree -
 even better behaved than homotopically flat ..

Any DG category has a semifree resolution, here
 in particular a homotopically flat resolution

A DG-category \Rightarrow class of homotopically flat
 resolutions $\tilde{A}_i \rightarrow A, i \in I$

- need to compare categories $T(\tilde{A}_i, B)$

(don't need to resolve both A, B)

$$\text{Ob } T(A, B) = \coprod_{\tilde{A}_i \rightarrow A} T(\tilde{A}_i, B)$$

[- don't have to be stingy in defining objects in category
 since only care about category up to equivalence

or even $\coprod_{\substack{\tilde{A}_i \rightarrow A \\ B_j \rightarrow B}} T(\tilde{A}_i, B_j)$.

$\forall i, j \in I$ want canonical object $F_{ij} \in T(\tilde{A}_i, \tilde{A}_j)$

- "identity on A ", with compatibility

$i, j, k \in I$ want $F_{ij} F_{jk} \simeq F_{ik}$, & inverses.

$$T(\tilde{A}_i, \tilde{A}_j) \subset T(\tilde{A}_i, \tilde{A}_j) = D(\tilde{A}_i \otimes A_j^0)$$

But $\tilde{A}_i \xrightarrow{\pi_i} A \xleftarrow{\pi_j} \tilde{A}_j \Rightarrow$ a sub $\tilde{A}_i \times \tilde{A}_j^0 \rightarrow \text{complexes}$
 $(a \in \tilde{A}_i, a' \in \tilde{A}_j^0) \mapsto \text{Hom}(\pi_j(a'), \pi_i(a))$

\Rightarrow canonical F_{ij} .

So this allows us to define DG-cat without
 imposing flatness, which is often unavailing

- eg dg (complexes of abelian groups) \checkmark

Problem doing all this on DG level:

get not concrete complexes but complexes up to
 canonical homotopy equivalence $\dots \rightarrow$ should reason
 DG category, to 2 objects assign many models
 of hom complexes, & contractible family of homotopies

regularities ... even weaker than Ab category ... same kind of \mathcal{A} -category ... so for now $T(\mathcal{A}, B)$ is only triangulated not DG.

Note: category \mathcal{A} is quasi-equivalent to category of pairs $X, Y \in \mathcal{A}$ and map $X \rightarrow Y$, which is quasi-isomorphism - i.e. homotopy diagonal of \mathcal{A} .
Each of the two projections is a homotopy equivalence with \mathcal{A} .

Kontsevich model

There is a canonical 2-functor $DG\text{Cat}^{\text{right}} \rightarrow DG\text{Cat}$ (assume only flat versions for simplicity).
 $F: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ DG-functor \Rightarrow bimodule $M_F \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}^0)$:

analog of bimodule assoc to algebra for $A \xrightarrow{F} B$

-- namely B is a $(A \otimes B^0)$ -module.

-- in categorical version, $M_F: A \times B^0 \rightarrow \text{Complexes}$

is $M_F(a, b) = \text{Hom}(b, F(a))$.

which actually lies in $T(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \subset \underline{T}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) = \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}^0)$

and the functor $H_0(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow H_0(\mathcal{B})$ coming from M_F is

just $H_0(F)$

SO we have the 2-functor on morphisms

Sasha: any quasi-functor can be viewed as functor $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \{ \text{left } \mathcal{B}\text{-modules which are quasi-representable} \}$
 $\mathcal{B} \uparrow$ quasi-representable are

- i.e. localizations of functors $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \dots$

$$\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}^0}^i(M_F, M_G) = \mathbb{T}\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}^0}^i(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}, \text{Hom}(F, G))$$

Here $\text{Hom}(F, G)$ is the DG $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{A}^0$ -module

$$(a, a') \mapsto \text{Hom}(F(a'), G(a))$$

What is Hom_A ? For algebra A a thick
of A as an A -bimodule...

Hom_A is the (categorical adjoint) DG- A - A -valued
 $(a, a') \mapsto \text{Hom}(a', a)$ (i.e. $\text{Hom}(\text{Id}, \text{Id})$)

\implies gives 2-morphisms for our DG cat $\text{Hom}_A \text{val} \implies \text{DG cat}$
write down concepts.

[This gives the full subcategory of
quasifunctors given by M_F bimodules!
via $F \mapsto M_F$ bimodules.
This subcategory is manifestly self-dual, write
Keller equivalence definition.

Ex If A is semifree then \forall objects of $T(A, B)$ is
isomorphic to some M_F .

Note $\text{Hom}_A =$ diagonal bimodule

$\text{Ext}^i(\text{Hom}_A, -) =$ Hochschild cohomology!

- gives full description of DG Ext for A
semifree by a basic exercise... in general must
use semifree resolutions.

If A is semifree, i.e., then complexes of A are semifree \forall
 \implies Standard (A) has a semifree resolution
general resolution. $\text{Std}(A)$ has a semifree resolution
by (co)ker - most economical

Can compute $T(A, B)$ in terms of this resolution
Standard (A) :

Ob $(T(A, B))$ are DG-functors $\text{Std}(A) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$.
aka A -functors $A \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \dots$

$\text{Std}(A)$ is monad, composite of two adjoint functors,
maps to the stability ("twisting cochain" of Quillen)

- gives way to understand A -functors.
& get DG model this way for $T(A, B) \dots$

eg
 $k = \text{field}$

k field Example of comparison of Keller & Kontsevich models:
 $T(A, k^{pretr})$ (k^{pretr} = complexes with f.d. (co)modules)
 $A = DG$ algebra for simplicity

Keller: semifree DG-A-modules M s.t. that
 $\dim_k H^*(M) < \infty$

Kontsevich: finite complexes C of finite dim k -vector spaces
 with a weak action of A .

Weak action: for any $a \in A$ have an endomorphism $f_a: C \rightarrow C$
 (depending linearly on a), $f_{ab} \neq f_a f_b$ necessarily, but

$f_{ab} - f_a f_b = d(\varphi_{ab})$,
 some combo of φ, f which is cycle should be coboundary,
 etc...

- come naturally to this by trying to construct f.d. model
 of Keller module M . M is homotopy equivalent
 to a f.d. complex C , get for $a \in A$ an
 endomorphism up to homotopy, will satisfy A -action relations.

Gain finite dim by losing strictness of action

Quotients of DG Categories

Verdier: \mathcal{T} triangulated, $\mathcal{Q} \subset \mathcal{T}$ full triangulated subcategory
 get $\mathcal{T} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}/\mathcal{Q}$ quotient triangulated category
 with universal property wrt such quotients.

What is DG version: $B \stackrel{full}{\leftarrow} A$ DG categories [Keller]

2-categorical version advantage: works over rings
 disadvantage: less precise (weaker form of uniqueness)

Collect Theorem-definition A 2-categorical quotient of A and B is a pair (C, ξ) of a DG category C & a presheaf $\xi \in T(A, C)$, s.t. the following equivalent properties hold:

1. $\text{Ho}(\xi) : \text{Ho}(A) \rightarrow \text{Ho}(C)$ identifies $\text{Ho}(C)$ with $\text{Ho}(A) / \text{Ho}(B) \dots$ i.e. $\text{Ho}(A) \rightarrow \text{Ho}(C)$ (B killed in $\text{Ho}(C)$ and resulting functor from Verdier quotient is an equivalence).
 $\text{Ho}(A) / \text{Ho}(B) \xrightarrow{\text{factorization}} \text{Ho}(C)$
2. $\forall C' \in \text{DG Cat}$ the functor $T(C, C') \rightarrow \text{Ker}(T(A, C') \rightarrow T(B, C'))$ is an equivalence [when $B \rightarrow A \rightarrow C'$ is zero]

(Verdier setting: universal property $\text{Ker}(T(A, C') \rightarrow T(B, C')) = T(C, C')$ every functor killing B factors through C)

Such $(C, \xi) \exists!$ in 2-categorical sense

Not obvious that either implies the other.

Recall $\text{Ho}(A) = T(k\text{-pretr}, A)$ while second property formulated in terms of $T(A, _)$

k field each $T(_)$ is actually a DG-category \Rightarrow more precise version, quotient unique in stronger sense.

Problem is not to prove but to formulate question when k is a ring.

Suppose $T(A, C)$ comes from a DG category $\text{DG}(A, C)$ - above formulation needs collection of objects $\xi_i \in \text{DG}(A, C)$ together with a handy class of homotopy equivalences $\xi_i \rightarrow \xi_j$.
 - For more precise version need either specific ξ or rather contractible space of morphisms

from the objects ξ_i, ξ_j (ie P -resoln of k , $P \rightarrow \text{Ho}(\xi_i, \xi_j)$)

k not a field don't have $\text{DG}(A, C)$ yet...

Def A DG quotient of \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} is a diagram $\begin{matrix} \mathcal{A} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{C} \\ \downarrow S & & \\ \mathcal{A} & & \end{matrix}$,
 -- in particular get object of quasi-eg $T(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{C}) = T(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{C})$.

s.t. $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{E})$ is a 2-categorical quotient.

→ uniqueness (and field) in ∞ -category of DG-categories (ie DG-model of DG-Cat)

... replace T by $DG : DG(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C}') \rightarrow \ker(DG(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C})) \rightarrow DG(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}')$
 is a quasi-equivalence (automatic from definition 1, just need to define $DG(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C}')$)

2 constructions. T : new (Drinfeld), works if \mathcal{A} is homotopy flat.

$Ob \mathcal{C} = Ob \mathcal{A}$, add new morphisms.
 $\forall X \in \mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{A}$, add $E_X : X \rightarrow X$ of degree -1,
 $dE_X = id_X$. \mathcal{C} is freely generated by \mathcal{A} and these E_X .
 $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$.

If \mathcal{A} is homotopically flat this gives desired answer
 Rather than inverting quasi-isomorphisms (rule of killing objects: ie bring all morphisms to \mathbb{Z} from this object (homotopically) enough to kill identity morphism)

II. Keller's definition: consider inclusion $\mathcal{B} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{A}$ = semifree \mathcal{A} -mod
 \mathcal{B} DG functor $M \mapsto M \otimes_{\mathcal{B}} \mathcal{A}$ fully faithful on mod.

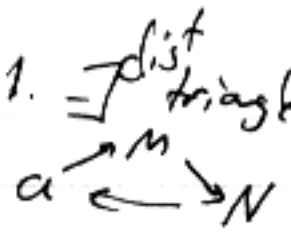
$$\mathcal{A} \Rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\perp = \{ M \in \mathcal{A} : M/\mathcal{B} \text{ is acyclic} \}$$

$$\iff Ext^i(\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{B}}, M) = 0 \quad \forall \mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{B}$$

$\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{B}}$ representable \mathcal{A} -mod

Fact: $H_0(\mathcal{B}^\perp) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_0(\mathcal{A}) / H_0(\mathcal{B})$
 is an equivalence. $H_0(\mathcal{A}) / H_0(\mathcal{B})$ fully faithful.

So define product $\mathcal{C} = \{M \in \mathcal{B}^{\perp} : \exists a \in A \text{ s.t. } \exists \text{ dist triangle}\}$
 \dots essential image of $\text{Ho}(\mathcal{A})/\text{Ho}(\mathcal{B})$ with $N \in \mathcal{B}$



Here don't have DG functor $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ but need $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$
 \dots try to assign M to a , using a choice, but with contractible space of choices (preserving equivalence relation)...

equivalently construct N : $a \in \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow a \xrightarrow{f} M \rightarrow P \in \mathcal{B}$
 f of deg 0 ($P = N[-1]$)
 so that $\text{core}(f) \in \mathcal{B}^{\perp}$ ie $\text{core}(f)/\mathcal{B}$ is cyclic
 ie f/\mathcal{B} is a quasi-isomorphism

Restriction to \mathcal{B} : think of a via representable functor $\text{ho}(\mathcal{A}^{\circ}\text{-DG-mod})$
 $\text{ho}(\mathcal{A}/\mathcal{B})$ and take a semifree resolution $P \rightarrow \text{ho}(\mathcal{A}/\mathcal{B})$
 \dots this is our choice, but unique in strongest homotopical sense (contractible space of choices).

Not self-dual definition... so would like universal property to identify all.

How might you come to this def? why semifree DG-modules? if believe DG quotient exists: $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ with property 1

Yoneda: $\mathcal{C} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{C}^{\circ}\text{-DG-mod} \xrightarrow{\text{restrict}} \mathcal{A}^{\circ}\text{-DG-mod}$
 $\Rightarrow \text{Ho}(\mathcal{C}) \rightarrow \text{Ho}(\mathcal{A}^{\circ}\text{-DG-mod}) \rightarrow D(\mathcal{A}^{\circ}) = \text{Ho}(\mathcal{A})$
 \dots fully faithful, so natural to look for \mathcal{C} in \mathcal{A} .

In fact \mathcal{A} (infinite version) is implicit in Verdier:

Ob $\mathcal{I}/\mathcal{Q} = \text{Ob } \mathcal{T}$, Morphisms: invert \mathcal{Q} -quasi-isomorphisms
 \dots ie morphisms with core in \mathcal{Q} .

So morphisms are zigzags $\mathcal{I} \leftarrow \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathcal{I} \leftarrow \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \dots$, $\mathcal{C}' \in \mathcal{Q}$ isom
 but suffers to take $\mathcal{C}' \downarrow$ or $\mathcal{C}' \uparrow$.

Verdier: $X, Y \in \text{Ob } \mathcal{T}$ $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{T}/\mathcal{C}}^i(X, Y) =$
 $= \varinjlim_{\mathcal{C}_Y} \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{T}}^i(X, Y')$ over all "injective resolutions" $Y \rightarrow Y'$
 $\mathcal{C}_Y = \text{category with objects } \mathcal{Q}\text{-quasi}$

ie maps $X \rightarrow Y'$ give map $X \rightarrow Y$ in same category
 \mathcal{C}_Y is a filtering category.
 \implies ... need for group structure on the limit of Ext's
 filtering: commute with finite projective limits (eg products)

- Claim this is same infinity as $\mathcal{H} \xrightarrow{A}$
 ... can write via homotopy colimit, but Keller's construction takes care of this via semi-freeness.

Exercise $a, a' \in A$, $P \xrightarrow{\text{qis}} \mathcal{H}_{a|_B}$ semi-free resolution

$P \in \mathcal{B}$ Show directly that
 $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{H}_0(A)/\mathcal{H}_0(B)}^i(a', a) = \varinjlim_{\substack{M \in \{M, a \rightarrow M \\ \text{with } cae \text{ in } \mathcal{H}_0(B)\}} \text{H}^i \text{Hom}(a', M)$ Verdier answer
 \parallel
 $\text{H}^i(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(a', \text{Core}(P \otimes_B \rightarrow a)))$ Keller answer
 up to homotopy

- write $P = \bigcup P_i$ union of finite modules (filtering family)
 -- ie cohomology of inductive limit over filtering seq vs direct limit of cohomology -- slightly different filtering categories ...
 Get functor from a_e to $a_{e'}$ by direct limit of a_e sequence & note it is an equivalence.