

$M: F(k) \rightarrow Ab \rightsquigarrow \{M_n\}$ sequence of Nisnevich sheaf with transfers
 $E \mapsto M(E)$ and homotopy invariant, $(M_{n+1})_{-1} = M_n$
 $\nwarrow$ perfect

Now given a series of $M_n \in Sh(k)$ which are homotopy invariant and $(M_{n+1})_{-1} = M_n$, we want to define a cycle module. Ref: Déglise, Module homotopiques avec transferts et motif génériques.

Since k is perfect, every field E/k is a direct limit A_i of smooth k -algebras, $E \subseteq \text{set } k(A_i) = \bar{E}$. (For existence, see Déglise Lemme 2.1.32. Consider all smooth finitely generated k -algebra $A \subseteq E$. If $A, B \subseteq E$ are smooth and $k(A) = E$, then $A, B \subseteq \overline{k(A, B)}$ is smooth at $\mathfrak{p}_A$ so $A, B \subseteq \overline{k(A, B)}$ is smooth.) So we can define $M(E) = \varinjlim_i M(\text{Spec } A_i) = \varinjlim_i \bigoplus_n M_n(\text{Spec } A_i)$.

D1: $\forall E/F, M(F) \rightarrow M(E)$. Suppose E/F is an extension in $F(k)$, $E = \varinjlim A_i, F = \varinjlim B_j$ where A_i, B_j are smooth over k . For every B_j , the composite $B_j \rightarrow F \rightarrow E = \varinjlim A_i$ factor through some A_i since B_j is finitely generated. So we define $M(F) \rightarrow M(E)$ by the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M(\text{Spec } B_j) & \longrightarrow & M(\text{Spec } A_i) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ M(F) & \longrightarrow & M(E) \end{array}$$

D2: E/F finite, $M(F) \rightarrow M(E)$. Suppose E/F is a finite extension and $F = \varinjlim A_i$. Take any A_i and denote by $\tilde{A}_i$ its normalization in E . The $\tilde{A}_i$ is a finite A_i -module and generally smooth over k . Suppose $U \subseteq \text{Spec } \tilde{A}_i$ is smooth/ k and $f: \text{Spec } \tilde{A}_i \rightarrow \text{Spec } A_i$ is the natural map. The $f|_U$ is finite and $f^{-1}(f(U)^c) \subseteq U$ is smooth/ k . So we can find a finite dominant map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ in Sm/k s.t. $k(X) = E, k(Y) = F$ and $X \times_{\text{Spec } k(Y)} = \text{Spec } k(X)$.

Then we define $M(E) \rightarrow M(F)$ by the composite

$$M(E) = M(k(X)) = M(X \times_{\text{Spec } k(Y)}) \xrightarrow{M(f^T)} M(k(Y)) = M(F),$$

here f^T is the transpose of the finite surj. map $X \times_{\text{Spec } k(Y)} \rightarrow \text{Spec } k(Y)$.

D3: $K_k^M(E) \times M_n(E) \rightarrow M_{n+k}(E)$. Suppose $E = \varinjlim A_i$. For every A smooth/ k , we define a pairing

$$\underbrace{Z(K_k^M)(\text{Spec } A) \times M_n(\text{Spec } A)}_{(\alpha, s)} \longrightarrow M_{n+1}(\text{Spec } A) \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{A, A}} \text{Spec } A \times \mathbb{A}^n(S) := \alpha \cdot s$$

Suppose α is in the image of $Z(K_k^M)(\text{Spec } A \times A) \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{A, A}} Z(K_k^M)(\text{Spec } A)$. Then since $M_{n+1}(i_0) = M_{n+1}(i_1)$, $i_0, i_1: \text{Spec } A \rightarrow \text{Spec } A \times A$, we have $\alpha \cdot s = 0$.

So we obtain a pairing $\text{coker}(Z(K_k^M)(\text{Spec } A \times A) \xrightarrow{\text{id}_{A, A}} Z(K_k^M)(\text{Spec } A)) \times M_n(\text{Spec } A) \rightarrow M_{n+1}(\text{Spec } A)$. Since $Z(K_k^M) \otimes Z(K_k^M) = Z(K_k^{M+n})$, we have a pairing $H_0(\otimes Z(K_k^M)(\text{Spec } A)) \times M_n(\text{Spec } A) \rightarrow M_{n+k}(\text{Spec } A)$.

Taking limit, we obtain

$$\begin{array}{ccc} K_k^M(E) \times M_n(E) & \longrightarrow & M_{n+k}(E) \\ \parallel & & \\ H_0(\otimes Z(K_k^M)(E)) & & \end{array}$$

by Thm 4.7.

To establish D4, we need an important result called homotopy purity. Suppose that $F \in Sh(k)$ is homotopy invariant and $Y \subseteq X$ is closed embedding in Sm/k . We want to understand the supported cohomology $H_Z^*(X, F)$. Recall that in prop 2.24, we have shown that for any $\varphi: Y' \xrightarrow{\text{ét}} X', Z$ closed in X' and $\varphi^{-1}(Z) = \emptyset$, we have $H_Z^*(Y', F) = H_Z^*(X', F)$. Since F is homotopy invariant, we have

$$H_Z^*(X, F) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{P}^-(k)}(Z(X)/Z(X \setminus Y), F[n]) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{M}^{\text{ét}}_-(k)}(Z(X)/Z(X \setminus Y), F[n])$$

by $\mathbb{A}^1$ -locality.

So it reduces to identify $Z(X)/Z(X \setminus Y)$ in $\mathcal{M}^{\text{ét}}_-(k)$.

Thm 8.20 (homotopy purity) We have $Z(X)/Z(X \setminus Y) = Z(N_{Y/X})/Z(N_{Y/X}^c)$ in $\mathcal{M}^{\text{ét}}_-(S)$. Proof: Recall that the deformation space $P(X, Y) = B_{Y \times X}^{\mathbb{A}^1}(X \times \mathbb{A}^1) \setminus B_{Y \times X}^{\mathbb{A}^1}(X \times 0)$ admits a projection $P: D(X, Y) \rightarrow X \times \mathbb{A}^1$ and a closed embedding $i: Y \times \mathbb{A}^1 \rightarrow P(X, Y)$.

The $i|_{P^{-1}(1)}$ is the inclusion $Y \subseteq X$ so obtain a map

$$g_{X, Y}: Z(X)/Z(X \setminus Y) \rightarrow Z(D(X, Y))/Z((Y \times \mathbb{A}^1)^c)$$

The $i|_{P^{-1}(0)}$ is the zero section $Y \rightarrow N_{Y/X}$ so obtain a map

$$a_{X, Y}: Z(N_{Y/X})/Z(N_{Y/X}^c) \rightarrow Z(D(X, Y))/Z((Y \times \mathbb{A}^1)^c)$$

So it suffices to show that $g_{X, Y}$ and $a_{X, Y}$ are $\mathbb{A}^1$ -weak equivalences.

Step 1: Let us first consider the case for the embedding $Y \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^n \times Y$. The $B_{Y \times 0}^{\mathbb{A}^1}(Y \times \mathbb{A}^1) \subseteq \mathbb{A}_Y^1 \times \mathbb{P}^{n-1}$ has two properties:

1) The fiber of $(0: \dots: 0: 1) \in \mathbb{P}^{n-1}$ is the projection $\mathbb{A}^1 \times Y \rightarrow Y$.

2) The composite $E \subseteq B_{Y \times 0}^{\mathbb{A}^1}(Y \times \mathbb{A}^1) \subseteq \mathbb{A}_Y^1 \times \mathbb{P}^{n-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{n-1}$ is an isomorphism, where E is the exceptional divisor.

By étale excision, we have $Z(D(X, Y))/Z((Y \times \mathbb{A}^1)^c) = Z(B_{Y \times 0}^{\mathbb{A}^1}(X \times \mathbb{A}^1))/Z((Y \times \mathbb{A}^1)^c)$ in $\mathcal{M}^{\text{ét}}_-(S)$.

So we consider the map $g_{Y \times \mathbb{A}^1, Y}: Z(Y \times \mathbb{A}^1)/Z(Y) \rightarrow Z(B_{Y \times 0}^{\mathbb{A}^1}(Y \times \mathbb{A}^1 \times \mathbb{A}^1))/Z((Y \times \mathbb{A}^1)^c)$

We have a Cartesian square:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (Y \times \mathbb{A}^1)^c & \longrightarrow & Y \times \mathbb{P}^n(0: \dots: 0: 1) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ B_{Y \times 0}^{\mathbb{A}^1}(Y \times \mathbb{A}^1 \times \mathbb{A}^1) & \longrightarrow & Y \times \mathbb{P}^n \end{array}$$

by 1) and the horizontal maps are vector bundles. So

$$Z(B_{Y \times 0}^{\mathbb{A}^1}(Y \times \mathbb{A}^1 \times \mathbb{A}^1))/Z((Y \times \mathbb{A}^1)^c) = Z(Y \times \mathbb{P}^n)/Z(Y)$$

in $\mathcal{M}^{\text{ét}}_-(S)$. The latter is isomorphic to $Z(Y \times \mathbb{A}^n)/Z(Y)$ by étale excision.

So $g_{Y \times \mathbb{A}^1, Y}$ is an $\mathbb{A}^1$ -weak equivalence.

On the other hand, we have Cartesian squares:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} N_{Y/Y \times \mathbb{A}^1} & \longrightarrow & Y \times \mathbb{P}^n(0: \dots: 0: 1) & \xrightarrow{\text{v.b.}} & (Y \times \mathbb{A}^1)^c & \xrightarrow{\text{v.b.}} & Y \times \mathbb{P}^n(0: \dots: 0: 1) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ N_{Y/Y \times \mathbb{A}^1} & \longrightarrow & Y \times \mathbb{P}^n & \xrightarrow{\cong} & B_{Y \times 0}^{\mathbb{A}^1}(Y \times \mathbb{A}^1 \times \mathbb{A}^1) & \xrightarrow{\text{v.b.}} & Y \times \mathbb{P}^n \\ \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel \\ Y \times \mathbb{A}^1 & & Y \times \mathbb{A}^1 & & Y \times \mathbb{A}^1 & & Y \times \mathbb{A}^1 \end{array}$$

where the right horizontal arrows are $\mathbb{A}^1$ -weak equivalences by 2) so

we have $a_{Y \times \mathbb{A}^1, Y}$ is an $\mathbb{A}^1$ -weak equivalence by étale excision of the left square.

Step 2: Now suppose $\varphi: U \rightarrow X$ is étale, $Y \subseteq X$ closed and $\varphi^{-1}(Y) = \emptyset$. Then $\pi: B_{Y \times 0}^{\mathbb{A}^1}(U \times \mathbb{A}^1) \rightarrow B_{Y \times 0}^{\mathbb{A}^1}(X \times \mathbb{A}^1)$ and $\pi': N_Y/U \rightarrow N_Y/X$ are étale and $\pi^{-1}(Y \times \mathbb{A}^1) = Y \times \mathbb{A}^1$ and $\pi'^{-1}(Y) = \emptyset$. So the statement for (U, Z) and (X, Z) are equivalent by étale excision.

Step 3: By [SGA1, II, Prop 4.4], there is a finite Zariski covering $X = \bigcup U_i$ s.t. for any i , the embedding $Y \cap U_i \hookrightarrow U_i$ admits a Cartesian square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Y \cap U_i & \longrightarrow & U_i \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{A}^{d_Y} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{A}^{d_X} \end{array}$$

where vertical arrows are étale. We want to show the statement for $(U_i, Y \cap U_i)$.

Consider the fiber product $U_i \times_{\mathbb{A}^{d_Y} \times \mathbb{A}^{d_X}} ((Y \cap U_i) \times \mathbb{A}^{d_X - d_Y})$, whose fiber over $\mathbb{A}^{d_Y} \times \mathbb{A}^{d_X}$ is just $(Y \cap U_i) \times_{\mathbb{A}^{d_Y}} (Y \cap U_i)$. Since the morphism $Y \cap U_i \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^{d_Y}$ is étale, the diagonal $Y \cap U_i \rightarrow (Y \cap U_i) \times_{\mathbb{A}^{d_Y}} (Y \cap U_i)$ induces an decomposition $(Y \cap U_i) \sqcup R = (Y \cap U_i) \times_{\mathbb{A}^{d_Y}} (Y \cap U_i)$.

Set $V = (U_i \times_{\mathbb{A}^{d_X}} (Y \cap U_i \times \mathbb{A}^{d_X - d_Y})) \setminus R$. Then we have two étale maps

$$p_1: V \rightarrow U_i, \quad p_2: V \rightarrow (Y \cap U_i) \times \mathbb{A}^{d_X - d_Y}$$

s.t. $p_1^{-1}(Y \cap U_i) = Y \cap U_i$ and $p_2^{-1}((Y \cap U_i) \times 0) = Y \cap U_i$. So we have

$$\underline{Z(U_i)/Z((Y \cap U_i)^c)} = \underline{Z(V)/Z((Y \cap U_i)^c)} = \underline{Z((Y \cap U_i) \times \mathbb{A}^{d_X - d_Y})/Z((Y \cap U_i)^c)}.$$

Then we have proved the claim by step 1, 2.

Step 4: Use MV-sequence in $\mathcal{M}^{\text{ét}}_-(S)$ to conclude. $\square$