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Outline

0. Thank organizers, joint w/ Martin Olsson
reference:

1. State problem: Setup

$\mathcal{X} \xrightarrow{f} S$
 \uparrow DM stack \uparrow alg. sp. \mathcal{F} locally f. pres'd
 \mathcal{F} q-coh. $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{X}}$ -module
 \mathcal{P} locally f. pres'd & sep'd (in small étale site of \mathcal{X}).

Define a contravariant functor

$Q = Q(\mathcal{F}/\mathcal{X}/S) : S\text{-schemes} \rightarrow \text{Sets}$

where, given $T \xrightarrow{g} S$, form fiber square

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 T \times_S \mathcal{X} & \xrightarrow{pr_2} & \mathcal{X} \\
 pr_1 \downarrow & & \downarrow \mathcal{P} \\
 T & \xrightarrow{g} & S
 \end{array}$$

and $Q(T) =$

the set of quotients

$$pr_2^* \mathcal{F} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{G} \text{ s.t.}$$

(1) \mathcal{G} is a locally f. pres'd $\mathcal{O}_{T \times_S \mathcal{X}}$ -module

(2) \mathcal{G} is flat over T

(3) the support of \mathcal{G} is proper over T .

Defn. $Q = \text{Quot}$ functor of $\mathcal{F}/\mathcal{X}/S$.

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Special case: $\mathbb{F} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}^1}$. Then $G = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}^1}$
for some closed subscheme $\mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{A}^1$
which is flat and proper over T .

Def'n: $H(\mathbb{Z}/S) =$ Hilbert functor
defined to be $Q(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{Z}}/\mathbb{Z}/S)$.

Question: Is Q represented by an
algebraic space? Are the connected components
 q -projective? Is there a Hilbert polynomial?

One immediate answer: If $\mathbb{Z} = [Y/G]$
with G a finite ^{flat} group scheme $/S$.

Y an algebraic space.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G \times_S Y & \xrightarrow{p_2} & Y \\ m \downarrow & & \downarrow \Delta \\ Y & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & \mathbb{Z} \end{array}$$

set $\mathbb{F}_Y = \Delta^* \mathbb{F}$

$\phi: m^* \mathbb{F}_Y \rightarrow p_2^* \mathbb{F}_Y$
an isomorphism satisfies
cocycle condition.

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Have a natural transformation

$$f^* : Q(\mathbb{F}/\mathbb{K}/S) \rightarrow Q(\tilde{\mathbb{F}}_Y/\mathbb{Y}/S)$$

Have two natural transformations

$$Q(\tilde{\mathbb{F}}_Y/\mathbb{Y}/S) \rightarrow Q(\mathbb{G}_S/\mathbb{K})$$

$$Q(\tilde{\mathbb{F}}_Y/\mathbb{Y}/S) \rightarrow Q(m^* \tilde{\mathbb{F}}_Y / \mathbb{G}_S^* \mathbb{Y} / S)$$

$$m^* \text{ and } \alpha \circ p_{\mathbb{G}}^* : (\tilde{\mathbb{F}}_Y \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathbb{G}) \mapsto (m^* \tilde{\mathbb{F}}_Y \xrightarrow{\phi} p_{\mathbb{G}}^* \tilde{\mathbb{F}}_Y \xrightarrow{p_{\mathbb{G}}^* \alpha} p_{\mathbb{G}}^* \mathbb{G})$$

And by descent

$$Q(\mathbb{F}/\mathbb{K}/S) \cong Q(\tilde{\mathbb{F}}_Y/\mathbb{Y}/S) \times_{(m^*, \alpha \circ p_{\mathbb{G}}^*)} Q(m^* \tilde{\mathbb{F}}_Y / \mathbb{G}_S^* \mathbb{Y} / S)$$

$$= Q(\tilde{\mathbb{F}}_Y/\mathbb{Y}/S) \times_{(m^*, \alpha \circ p_{\mathbb{G}}^*)} Q(m^* \tilde{\mathbb{F}}_Y / \mathbb{G}_S^* \mathbb{Y} / S) \times_{(m^*, \alpha \circ p_{\mathbb{G}}^*)} Q(m^* \tilde{\mathbb{F}}_Y / \mathbb{G}_S^* \mathbb{Y} / S) \triangleleft \Delta$$

So reduced to representing Quot for algebraic spaces which was proved by Artin.

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General case (1) Artin's approach

(2) Grothendieck's approach

Results:

Thm 1: If A_S above^{or}, $\mathcal{Q}(\mathcal{F}/\mathcal{E}/\mathcal{G})$

is represented by an algebraic space

which is locally f-pres'd and separated over

S . (Assume $S = \text{affine scheme}$)

Thm 2: If \mathcal{E} is a f-vec , global quotient

whose coarse moduli space M is $q\text{-proj}$

(resp. proj). Then \mathcal{Q} is represented by

a scheme whose connected components

are $q\text{-proj}$. (resp. proj).

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Artin's approach: In "Algebraization of Formal Moduli, I", Artin gives axioms for when a functor is represented by an algebraic space. He checks his axioms for the case of $\mathcal{Q}(\mathbb{F}/X/S)$ where X is an algebraic space (with one minor mistake).

We verify Artin's axioms. The main step is to prove the ^{DM} stack version of Grothendieck's existence theorem.

Finite cover
theorem of
 V_i , L-MB
and EHKV.

Minor mistake is that Artin's obstruction group isn't sufficient when \mathcal{F} isn't flat over S . [Aside in obstruction theory]

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Corollary: Given $\mathcal{F}/\mathcal{E}/S$ with \mathcal{F} such that \mathcal{F} has proper support over S , then the "flattening stratification" of S exists, i.e. a surjective, finitely presented monomorphism $\Sigma \xrightarrow{g} S$ such that for any $T \xrightarrow{h} S$, pullback of \mathcal{F} to $T \times_S \Sigma$ is flat over T iff h factors through g .

Grothendieck's approach (as improved on by Mumford + Serres).

(1) Define Hilbert polynomial P and show $Q = \mathbb{L}Q^P$.

(2) Prove boundedness of Q^P

(3) Use boundedness to get a monomorphism

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$Q^P \hookrightarrow \text{Grassmannian}, \mathbb{G}$

(4) Perform flattening stratification of an appropriate sheaf over \mathbb{G} to prove $Q^P \hookrightarrow \mathbb{G}$ is a closed immersion.

We do roughly the same thing.

Hilbert polynomial: Given any $\text{Spec } k \xrightarrow{S} S$

and a l.f.p.s.d. sheaf \mathcal{G} on $\text{Spec } k \times_S X$ which has

proper support, then $\chi(X_x, \mathcal{G})$ is finite.

Consider the function

$$P: K^0(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}, \quad P([\mathcal{E}]) = \chi(X_x, \mathcal{G} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_S} \mathcal{E}).$$

This is a well-defined group homomorphism which we call the Hilbert polynomial.

Fact: Given a connd scheme T , $T \xrightarrow{S} S$ and \mathcal{G} a loc. f.p.s.d. sheaf on $T \times_S X$

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flat and proper over T , then
the ^{Hilbert poly.} map $T \rightarrow \text{Hom}(K^0(\mathcal{X}), \mathbb{Z})$ is const-t.

$$\text{So } Q = \bigsqcup_P Q^P.$$

Let $f: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow M$ denote the coarse
moduli space. ~~Assume~~ Assume \mathcal{X} is tame,
i.e. for any ~~any~~ geometric point g of \mathcal{X} ,
its stabilizer group has order prime to $\text{char } k$.

Abramowitz
- Vistoli
"Computing
the space of
stable maps"

Then (1) formation of M is compatible
with base-change on S ,

(2) f_* preserves quasi-coherent / coherent sheaves
and is exact (and compatible with arbitrary base-ch)

(3) f_* preserves "flatness over S ".

If E is a locally free sheaf on \mathcal{X} ,
then there is a natural transformation

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$$Q^T(\mathbb{F}/\mathbb{K}/S) \rightarrow Q^{T'}(f_* \text{Hom}(E, \mathbb{F})/M/S)$$

$$\text{by } (p_{\mathbb{K}}^* \mathbb{F} \rightarrow G) \mapsto$$

$$(f_* \text{Hom}(p_{\mathbb{K}}^* E, p_{\mathbb{K}}^* \mathbb{F}) \rightarrow f_* \text{Hom}(p_{\mathbb{K}}^* E, G)).$$

If we assume that M is a q -proj. S -sch,
then $Q^{T'}$ is a q -proj. S -scheme.

How to find E s.t. $Q^T \rightarrow Q^{T'}$ is
a monomorphism?

Consider $f_* \text{Hom}(E, \mathbb{F}) \otimes E \rightarrow \mathbb{F}$.

Suppose this is surjective $\forall \mathbb{F}$. Then

if $\mathcal{K} = \text{kernel}(f_* \text{Hom}(p_{\mathbb{K}}^* E, p_{\mathbb{K}}^* \mathbb{F}) \rightarrow (" , G))$

then $G = \text{cokernel}$ of composition

$$f^* \mathcal{K} \otimes E \rightarrow f^* f_* \text{Hom}(p_{\mathbb{K}}^* E, p_{\mathbb{K}}^* \mathbb{F}) \otimes E \rightarrow \mathbb{F}.$$

So we can recover a point in Q^T from
its image in $Q^{T'}$.

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By a theorem of Edidin-Hassett-Kresch-Vistoli, this condition on E/\mathcal{F} (granting M q -proj.) is exactly equivalent to asking that \mathcal{X} is a global quotient.

Finally, use flattening stratification to prove $Q^p \hookrightarrow Q^{p'}$ is, in fact, a closed immersion.

Stacky surfaces?