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J. Greenlees "Local Cohom. in Equivariant top."

$R = \text{comm. Noeth. ring}; I = (f_1, \dots, f_s) \text{ ideal of } R$
 $H_I^i(M) = H^i(0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow \bigoplus_j M_{f_j} \rightarrow \bigoplus_{j < k} M_{f_j f_k} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow M_{f_1 \dots f_s} \rightarrow 0)$

$H_I^i(M)$ depend only on \sqrt{I}

Application: $k = \bar{k}; V \subseteq A_k^n$ alg. set
 i.e., $V = \text{sol. set of } (f_1 = 0, f_2 = 0, \dots, f_s = 0)$ where $f_i \in R = k[X_1, \dots, X_n]$.

Q: Given V , what is the minimum s ?

A: $s \geq \text{height } I = I(V) \text{ in } R$

A: If $H_I^i(M) \neq 0 \Rightarrow s \geq i$

Example: $V \subseteq A_{\mathbb{C}}^6$ is the solution space of $\Delta_1 = 0, \Delta_2 = 0, \Delta_3 = 0$,
 where Δ_i are the 2×2 minors of $\begin{pmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} \\ X_{31} & X_{32} \end{pmatrix}; \Delta_i \in R = \mathbb{C}[X_{ij}]$

ht $I = 2 \Rightarrow s \geq 2$

FACT: $H_I^3(R) \neq 0 \Rightarrow \text{minimum } s \text{ is } 3$

FACT: Given R, I, M , there is no known algorithm to tell if $H_I^i(M) = 0$.

FACT: If $R = k[X_1, \dots, X_n]$ and $M = R$, there is an algorithm !!!

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Char 0 algorithm due to U. Walther (1999)

$$D = R \langle d_1, \dots, d_n \rangle \subset \text{Hom}_k(R, R) \quad d_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$$

FACT: R is a D -module

FACT: M a D -module $\Rightarrow M_f$ is a D -module

$$d_i(m/f) = \frac{f d_i(m) - \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \cdot m}{f^2}$$

$\Rightarrow H_{\pm}^i(R)$ is a f.g. D -module

II. Let A be a local ring containing a field.

$R \xrightarrow{\varphi} A$ a surjection with R regular local.

$I = \text{Ker } \varphi$; $n = \dim R$; $k = \text{residue field of } A$

FACTS ① $\lambda_{g,i} = \dim_k \overline{\text{Ext}}_R^i(k, H_{\pm}^{n-g}(R))$ all finite

② $\lambda_{g,i}$ depend only on A [Pf. in char 0 uses D -mod.]

Known: ① $\lambda_{g,i} = 0$ if $i > d = \dim A$ or if $g > i$

② $\lambda_{d,d} \neq 0$ ($d = \dim A$)

$\lambda_{g,i}$ seem to be connected to the top. of $\text{Spec } A$

FACT: $V \subseteq \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^n$ is smooth; $A = \text{hom. coord. ring of } V \text{ localized at the irrelevant ideal.}$

Then $\lambda_{0,i}(A) = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} H_{\text{sing}}^i(V; \mathbb{C})$

Open Problem: $\lambda_{0,i}(A)$ depend only on V ; not on the embedding

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Recent theorem: Assume char $k = p > 0$. Let Γ be the graph on the minimal primes of \hat{A} , such that P, Q are connected by an edge iff $\text{ht}(P+Q) = 1$. Then $\lambda_{d,d} = \#$ of connected components of Γ .

III. Topology of varieties of small codimension in \mathbb{P}_c^n .

Theorem 1: Let $V \subset \mathbb{P}_c^n$ be an algebraic set consisting of irreducible components of $\text{codim} \leq b$. Then $H_i(\mathbb{P}_c^n, V; \mathbb{Z}) = 0$ and $\pi_i(\mathbb{P}_c^n, V) = 0$, provided ① $i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{b} \rfloor - 1$, ② $i \leq \lfloor \frac{(n-1)}{b} \rfloor$.
 V is irreducible

① proved by Peternell, 1980, via analysis

② proved by —, 1993, via local étale cohomology

Theorem 2: Let R be a complete regular local ring containing a field, with an algebraically closed residue field. Let $n = \dim R$ and $I \subset R$ an ideal whose minimal primes have height $\leq b$. Then

① $H_{\mathbb{Z}}^i(R) = 0 \forall i > n - \lfloor \frac{(n-1)}{b} \rfloor$ (Faltings, 1980)

② $H_{\mathbb{Z}}^i(R) = 0 \forall i > n - 1 - \lfloor \frac{(n-1)}{b} \rfloor$ if I is prime (Hunke-L, 1990)

FACT: $*$ = $**$ iff $b | (n-1)$

Q: Assume $b \nmid (n-1)$ (so $*$ = $1 + **$). When is $H_{\mathbb{Z}}^{n - \lfloor \frac{(n-1)}{b} \rfloor}(R) = 0$?

Recent Theorem: Let Δ be the simplicial complex on the min. primes P_1, \dots, P_s of I , s.t. $(P_{i_1}, \dots, P_{i_j}) \subset \Delta$ iff $\sqrt{P_{i_1} + \dots + P_{i_j}} \neq R$. The $H_{\mathbb{Z}}^{n - \lfloor \frac{(n-1)}{b} \rfloor} = 0$ iff $H^{\lfloor \frac{(n-1)}{b} \rfloor - 1}(\Delta; k) = 0$

$\lambda_{g,i} = 0$ if $g > 0$, but $\lambda_{g,0}$ may not be 0