

Davis: de Rham Witt complex

Note Title

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Outline

1. Witt vectors
2. de Rham - Witt complex
 - is a complex
 - degree zero = Witt vectors
 - Some maps: F, V or full complex

Motivation

$R = k\text{-alg}$

$k_2 = \text{perfect fld}$

$\text{char}(k_2) = p$

eg.

$X/k_2, X = \text{Spec}(R)$

dR-W complex is a Zariski sheaf₁ of complexes on X

$H^*(\text{dR-W complex}) = \text{crystalline cohomology of } X$

Advertisement:

No cohomology in this talk
but there will be in STAGE
on Mon, March 2, 2-4:30
at 1:00 pm

Davis will speak about "our current
Subcomplex, and its cohomology."

6. Witt vectors

A. Special Cases

$k =$ perfect fld in char p

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F: k & \longrightarrow & k & \text{is iso.} \\ \alpha & \longmapsto & \alpha^p & \end{array}$$

$k \longmapsto W(k)$ p -adically complete DVR

So totally ramified \rightarrow

- maximal ideal \mathfrak{p}
- residue fld k

Rule! in this talk:

Witt vectors = p -typical Witt
vectors

as opposed to

"big Witt vectors"

Examples

$$W(\mathbb{F}_p) = \mathbb{Z}_p$$

$W(\mathbb{F}_{p^n}) = \mathbb{R}_p$ of integers of the
unique deg n unramified
extension

Have a multiplicative map "Teichmüller"

$$[\] : k \rightarrow W(k)$$

$[x]$ is the unique lift of x
which has $(p^n)^{\text{th}}$ roots $\forall n$

Every $w \in W(L)$ can be written
uniquely as

$$\sum p^i [x_i]$$

Note: it's not clear how
to add

$$\sum p^i [x_i] \quad \text{and} \quad \sum p^j [x_j]$$

B. General case: $R = \text{any ring}$

$$R \rightsquigarrow W(R) \quad - \text{ring}$$

$$W(R) \equiv \{(r_0, r_1, \dots) \mid r_i \in R\}$$

as a set

Warning! not as a ring!

How to define ring operators

Define the ghost map!

$$w: W(R) \longrightarrow R^{\mathbb{N}}$$

↑
component wise
operators

$$(r_0, r_1, \dots) \longmapsto (r_0, r_0^p + p r_1, r_0^{p^2} + p r_1^p + p^2 r_2, \dots)$$

Want this map to be an
algebra homomorphism

Note If R has no p -torsion,
this defines it uniquely

(since in this case the
ghost map is injective)

O/w we need to use
functor property:

$$f: R \rightarrow S$$

$$\Rightarrow W(f): W(R) \rightarrow W(S)$$

$$(r_i)_i \longmapsto (f(r_i))_i$$

Note: if f is injective/surjective

so is $W(f)$

So can define
 $W(R)$ if R has
 p -torsion by writing
 R as a quotient of
something w/o p -torsion

When does the ghost map come from?

$$\sum_i p^i [x_i] \longleftrightarrow (x_0, x_1^p, x_2^{p^2}, \dots)$$



perfect fld case

Observe! In the 0^{th} coordinate,
addition and multiplication are defined as
usual

$$W(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

Have a multiplication map

$$[\]: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow W(\mathbb{R})$$

$$r \mapsto (r, 0, 0, \dots)$$

and $w(r, 0, 0, 0, \dots) = (r, r^p, r^{p^2}, \dots)$

Two maps $F + V$ ↙ Rng map ↖ additive

Faktor + Verschiebung
"Shove"

F: First define

$$\tilde{F}: \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$$

$$(r_0, r_1, \dots) \mapsto (r_1, r_2, \dots)$$

F is defined so that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} W(\mathbb{R}) & \xrightarrow{w} & \mathbb{R}^N \\ \downarrow F & & \downarrow \tilde{F} \\ W(\mathbb{R}) & \xrightarrow{w} & \mathbb{R}^N \end{array} \quad \text{commutes}$$

If $R = \mathbb{C}$, Frobenius is induced from p^{th} power map.

$$F = W(\text{Frob}) : W(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow W(\mathbb{C})$$
$$(r_0, r_1, \dots) \mapsto (r_0^p, r_1^p, \dots)$$

$$V : W(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow W(\mathbb{R})$$

$$(x_0, x_1, \dots) \mapsto (0, x_0, x_1, \dots)$$

- additive

$$- V(x) \gamma = V(x F(\gamma))$$

- $FV = p$ (always)
 - $VF = p$ if $\text{char}(R) = p$
 - $F[x] = (x^p)$ always
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Truncated with vectors:

$$W_n(R) = \{ (r_0, r_1, \dots, r_{n-1}) \}$$

R_n ops defined as before.

$$W(R) \longrightarrow W_n(R)$$

$$W(R) = \varprojlim W_n(R)$$

Examples: (1) Let R be a $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra

Then: $W(R)$ is a $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra

(2) Let R be a $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ -algebra

Then $V(W(R)) \subseteq W(R)$ is
an ideal with divided powers.

This is a SES

$$0 \rightarrow V(W(R)) \rightarrow W(R) \rightarrow R \rightarrow 0$$

$\Rightarrow V(W(R))$ is an ideal

Functorial
Divided powers

Need: $\frac{V(w)^n}{n!}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 V(w)V(w) &= V(w F V(w)) \\
 &= V(w p w) \\
 &= p V(w^2)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow p^{n-1} / (V(w))^n$$

But Warning $W(R)$ might have p -torsion

$$R = k[x]/(x^p)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p[x] &= FV[x] = (0, x^p, 0, 0, \dots) \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

2. The dR-W complex

Let A be a \mathbb{Z}_p -algebra

Def: a Witt complex over A is

(i) A pro-differential graded alg E_\bullet

and a strict map
of pro-objs

$$\lambda: W_\bullet(A) \rightarrow E_\bullet$$

(ii) A strict map of pro-graded objs

$$F: E_\bullet \rightarrow E_{\bullet-1}$$

compatible w/ λ

$$F d[a] = [a]^{p-1} d[a]$$

(ii) A strict map of graded E_*^* -modules

$$V: F_* E_{-1}^* \rightarrow E_*^*$$

module structure

ie. $V(F(x)y) = x V(y)$

s.t.

• $V\lambda = \lambda V$

• $FdV = d$

• $FV = p$

Note!

$W(R)$ is \mathfrak{r}

with complex

(concentrated in deg 0)

Def: The dR - W co ow A

is the initial object in

the category of W with \mathfrak{r} 's:

$$W \cdot \Omega_A^*$$

existence: Freyd adjoint functor theorem

Lots of properties

$$\bullet \int (\alpha dy) = \int (\alpha) d \int (y)$$

$$\bullet \int d = p dV$$

Prop 1: There is a surjective map!

$$\Omega_{W(A)}^* \longrightarrow W.\Omega_A^*$$

Comes from extending

$$\begin{array}{ccc} W.(A) & \longrightarrow & W.\Omega_A^* \\ \downarrow & & \nearrow \\ \Omega_{W(A)}^* & & \end{array}$$

(Sketch of pf) Image is a Witt complex,
Call it E^*

$$W.\Omega_A \longrightarrow E \longrightarrow W.\Omega_A \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Complex} \\ \text{is identity} \end{array}$$

Prop 2: $W_*(A) = A$

$$\Omega_{W_*(A)}^* = \Omega_A^* \rightarrow W_* \Omega_A^*$$

is an iso.

Prop 3: The map

$$\Omega_{W_*(A)}^0 = W_*(A) \rightarrow W_* \Omega_A^0$$

is an isomorphism.

Example

(i) $A = k$ perfect field

$$W\Omega_k^i = 0 \quad \text{for } i > 0$$

(pt) Show that

$$\Omega_{W_n(k)}^i = 0 \quad \text{for } i > 0$$

(2.) $A = \mathbb{Z}(p)$

From the surjective map

$$\Omega_{W_n(\mathbb{Z}(p))} \longrightarrow W_n \Omega_{\mathbb{Z}(p)}$$

Want to study terms like

$$V^i[1] \text{ and } V^0[1]$$

↑ suffers to use 1
because of additivity

Using Verschiebung formulas

$$\text{get } W \Omega_{\mathbb{Z}(p)}^i = 0 \text{ for } i \geq 2$$

Have p -torsion in degree 1.
