

# TALK 7 : PRELIMINARY OBSERVATIONS [Bac18, § 8]

## References:

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Recall the setting and notations:

- $S$  is a Noetherian scheme of finite Krull dimension.
- $\text{SH}(S) := \text{Ho}(\mathcal{G}\mathcal{H}(S))$  MOTIVIC STABLE HOMOTOPY CATEGORY.

It is the symmetric monoidal triangulated category obtained taking the homotopy category of

$$\mathcal{G}\mathcal{H}(S) := \text{Spt}(\text{Spc}_{\text{mot}}(S), \mathbb{P}^1)$$

the symmetric monoidal stable model category of  $\mathbb{P}^1$ -spectra with the stable model structure induced by

$$\text{Spc}_{\text{mot}}(S) := L_{\mathbb{A}^1} \text{Sh}_{\text{nis}}(S/\mathbb{S}; \text{Spc}) \quad \text{CATEGORY OF MOTIVIC SPACES}$$

the symmetric monoidal model category given by the category of pointed simplicial Nisnevich sheaves over  $S/\mathbb{S}$  with the local model structure, left cosimplicial with respect to the set of pointed  $\mathbb{A}^1$ -homotopies.

The tensor product in all these categories is denoted by  $\wedge$ .

- We will be also interested in considering a version of the motivic stable homotopy category where we don't invert  $\mathbb{P}^1 \cong \mathbb{S}^1 \wedge \mathbb{G}_m$  but only  $\mathbb{S}^1$ , namely

$$\text{SH}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S) := \text{Ho}(\mathcal{G}\mathcal{H}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)) \quad \text{where} \quad \mathcal{G}\mathcal{H}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S) := \text{Spt}(\text{Spc}_{\text{mot}}(S), \mathbb{S}^1)$$

Also  $SH^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)$  is a symmetric monoidal triangulated category and  $GHL^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)$  is a symmetric monoidal stable model category. The tensor product is still denoted by  $\wedge$ .

- We consider all the analogous constructions above obtained replacing Nisnevich topology over  $\text{Sm}/S$  with real-étale topology:

$$SH(S)^{\text{ré}} := \text{Ho}(GHL(S)^{\text{ré}}) \quad \text{REAL-ÉTALE STABLE HOMOTOPY CATEGORY}$$

$$\text{where } GHL(S)^{\text{ré}} := \text{Spt}(\text{Sp}_{\text{ré}}(S), \mathbb{P}^1)$$

$$\text{Sp}_{\text{ré}}(S) := \coprod_{IA^1_+} \text{Sh}_{\text{ré}}(\text{Sm}/S; \text{Sp})$$

$$SH^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)^{\text{ré}} := \text{Ho}(GHL^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)^{\text{ré}})$$

$$\text{where } GHL^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)^{\text{ré}} := \text{Spt}(\text{Sp}_{\text{ré}}(S), \mathbb{S}^1)$$

Also  $SH(S)^{\text{ré}}$  and  $SH^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)^{\text{ré}}$  are symmetric monoidal triangulated categories and  $GHL(S)^{\text{ré}}$  and  $GHL^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)^{\text{ré}}$  are symmetric monoidal stable model categories. The tensor product is still denoted by  $\wedge$ .

- We consider the morphisms in  $\text{Sp}_{\text{not}}(S)$

$$p: \mathbb{S}^\circ \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_m$$

where  $-\mathbb{S}^\circ := S \amalg S$ ,  $S$  the Nisnevich sheaf over  $\text{Sm}/S$  represented by  $S$

It is the constant sheaf over  $\text{Sm}/S$  associated to the pointed simplicial set  $\mathbb{S}^\circ$ .

$$\mathbb{S}^\circ: U \mapsto (\{*\}, \{3, *\}) \quad \text{constant pointed simplicial set}$$

It is the unit of  $\wedge$ .

-  $\mathbb{G}_m$  is the Nisnevich sheaf over  $\text{Sm}/S$  represented by  $\mathbb{G}_m$  pointed at 1

$$\mathbb{G}_m: U \mapsto (\mathcal{O}^\times(U), 1) \quad \text{constant pointed simplicial set}$$

$p$  is defined as the morphism of sheaves over  $\text{Sm}/S$  given by

$$p(U): \mathbb{S}^\circ(U) \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_m(U)$$

- $\mapsto 1$  *the base point must be preserved!*
- $* \mapsto -1$

Analogously, replacing Nisnevich topology with real-étale topology, we have the morphism  $p: \mathbb{S}^\circ \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_m$  in  $\text{Sp}_{\text{ré}}(S)$ .

We still denote by  $p: S^0 \rightarrow G_m$  its image inside the stable categories  $\text{ggl}(S)$ ,  $\text{ggl}^{S^1}(S)$ ,  $\text{ggl}(S)^{\text{ét}}$  and  $\text{ggl}^{S^1}(S)^{\text{ét}}$ .

- We are interested in considering monoidal  $p$ -localizations of the above stable model categories.

Monoidal localization of model categories with respect to a morphism has been discussed in TALK 5 (Bac18, §6).

We recall that, since the above model categories are all left proper combinatorial, hence admit left Bousfield localizations, and since  $S^0$  and  $G_m$  are both cofibrant objects, then the monoidal  $p$ -localizations are left

Bousfield localizations with respect to the set of morphisms

$$H := \{ \text{id}_E \wedge p: E \wedge S^0 \rightarrow E \wedge G_m \mid E \in \mathcal{G} \text{ set of cofibrant} \\ \text{objects} \} \quad \text{Homotopy generators}$$

it always exists in a combinatorial model cat.

In  $\text{Shnis}(Sm(S), \text{Sp})$  every object is cofibrant, since cofibrations are monomorphisms, hence also the images via left Quillen functors (which preserve cofibrations)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Sigma^\infty_{\mathbb{R}} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{ggl}(S) \\ \text{Shnis}(Sm(S), \text{Sp}) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{Specat}(S) \\ & \xrightarrow{\Sigma^\infty_S} & \text{ggl}^{S^1}(S) \end{array}$$

are cofibrant. Analogously for the real-étale version.

So we obtain the symmetric monoidal stable model categories

$$\text{ggl}(S)(p^{-1}) \quad \text{ggl}^{S^1}(S)(p^{-1}) \quad \text{ggl}(S)^{\text{ét}}(p^{-1}) \quad \text{ggl}^{S^1}(S)^{\text{ét}}(p^{-1})$$

and we denote their homotopy categories, which are symmetric monoidal triangulated,

$$\text{Sh}(S)(p^{-1}) \quad \text{Sh}^{S^1}(S)(p^{-1}) \quad \text{Sh}(S)^{\text{ét}}(p^{-1}) \quad \text{Sh}^{S^1}(S)^{\text{ét}}(p^{-1}).$$

The tensor product is still always denoted by  $\wedge$ .

The goal of this talk is to prove the existence of some canonical equivalences between the above categories.

They are summarized in the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathrm{SH}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)^{\text{ét}} & \xrightarrow{\text{Prop C}} & \mathrm{SH}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)^{\text{ét}}(p') & \dashrightarrow & \mathrm{SH}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)(p') \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \sim \text{Cor A} & \sim & \downarrow \\ \mathrm{SH}(S)^{\text{ét}} & \xrightarrow{\text{Prop B}} & \mathrm{SH}(S)^{\text{ét}}(p') & \dashrightarrow & \mathrm{SH}(S)(p') \end{array}$$

In the next talk will be proved also the existence of other canonical equivalences of categories (the dotted arrows in the above diagram).

We will also prove that  $\mathrm{SH}(\cdot)(p')$  satisfies the full 6 functors formalism. This will also be useful in the next talk to reduce some proofs to the case of a base field.

$\Delta$  In [Bac18] we take  $-p$  instead of  $p$ . But since monoidal localisation of  $p$  or  $-p$  is the same, taking  $p$  or  $-p$  won't make any difference in this talk.

We start with the following general lemma:

Lemma: [Bac18, Lemma 26]

These properties guarantees the  
existence of left Bousfield localisations

let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a left proper, combinatorial, monoidal model category,  $T \in \mathcal{U}$  a cofibrant object,  $H \subset \mathcal{U}$  a set of morphisms. Then, there is a canonical isomorphism of model categories

$$\mathrm{Spt}(L_H \mathcal{U}, T) = L_H \mathrm{Spt}(\mathcal{U}, T)$$

where  $L_H := \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \Sigma_T^{\infty-n} H$  and categories of spectra carry the projective stable model structure.

Recall:

$$H_{n \geq 0} \quad \Sigma_T^{\infty-n} : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathrm{Spt}(\mathcal{U}, T)$$

$$x \mapsto \{ \overset{\circ}{0}, \dots, \overset{n}{0}, \overset{n+1}{x}, \overset{n+2}{\Sigma_T x}, \overset{n+3}{\Sigma_T^2 x}, \dots \}$$

is left adjoint to

$\Sigma_T$

$E_{n+1} : \text{Spt}(W, T) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$

$E = \{E_n\}_{n \geq 0} \hookrightarrow E_\infty$

and they also form a Quillen pair between  
with respect to projective unstable and stable  
model structures

Proof:

Step 1: (Reduction to the projective unstable model structure):

Recall from [Hov] that, given of a left proper  
combinatorial monoidal model category,  $T \in W$  a cofibrant object,  
we can endow the category of sequential  $T$ -spectra

► In [Hov] they write  $\text{Spt}(W, T)$  with:

are called global and local instead  
of unstable and stable.  
That's also the reason for the  
notation - gl

- the projective unstable model structure on categories of spectra is the one s.t. WE and FIB are level-wise:

$$f: E \rightarrow E' \text{ is a } \text{WE(FIB)} \Leftrightarrow f_n: E_n \rightarrow E'_n \text{ is a } \text{WE(FIB)} \quad \forall n \geq 0$$

(COF =  $\text{lfp}(\text{TRIV FIB})$ )

We denote it by  $\text{Spt}(W, T)_{\text{gl}}$ .

Recall:

- By definition,  $W$  combinatorial model cat. is cofibrantly generated. A set  $I$  of generating cofibrations is s.t.  $\leftarrow$  generating cofibrations.
- the projective stable model structure on categories of spectra is obtained from the unstable one by left Bousfield localization with respect to a set  $\mathcal{G}$  of morphisms which only depends on a set  $I$  of cofibrations.

COF =  $\text{lfp}(\text{rlp}(I))$

Explicitly, it is the set of morphisms

$$\mathcal{G} := \{ \sum_{T=1}^{\infty-(n+1)} \sum_T QC \rightarrow \sum_{T=n}^{\infty} QC \mid \begin{array}{l} \bullet \text{ C domain or codomain} \\ \quad \downarrow \\ \bullet \text{ morphisms in I} \end{array} \}$$

$Q: W \rightarrow W$   
cofibrant replacement  
functor

$\bullet \quad n \geq 0 \quad \}$

Now consider  $W = \mathcal{U}$ ,  $L + \mathcal{U}$ .

Since  $\mathcal{U}$  is left proper, combinatorial, monoidal model category, then also  $L + \mathcal{U}$  is and they have a same set of generating cofibrations.

Hence we can take the same set of morphisms  $\mathcal{G}$  in  $\text{Spt}(\mathcal{U}, T)$  and  $\text{Spt}(L + \mathcal{U}, T)$  to obtain the projective stable model structure, that is ①  $\text{Spt}(\mathcal{U}, T) = L\mathcal{G}(\text{Spt}(\mathcal{U}, T)_{\text{gl}})$   
②  $\text{Spt}(L + \mathcal{U}, T) = L\mathcal{G}(\text{Spt}(L + \mathcal{U}, T)_{\text{gl}})$ .

Notation:  
WE = weak equivalences  
(TRIV) = trivial  
FIB = fibrations  
(TRIV) = trivial  
COF = cofibrations  
lfp/rlp = left/right lifting property

So we can reduce to prove the lemma for the projective unstable model structure because then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Spt}(L_{H^1} \mathcal{O}, T) &\stackrel{\text{②}}{=} Lg(\text{Spt}(L_{H^1} \mathcal{O}, T)_{ge}) = Lg(L_{H^1} \text{Spt}(\mathcal{O}, T)_{ge}) \\ &= L_{H^1}(Lg \text{Spt}(\mathcal{O}, T)_{ge}) \stackrel{\text{①}}{=} L_{H^1} \text{Spt}(\mathcal{O}, T) \end{aligned}$$

$Lg L_{H^1} = Lg_{H^1} = L_{H^1} Lg$

Step 2: (Proof of  $\text{Spt}(L_{H^1} \mathcal{O}, T)_{ge} = L_{H^1}(\text{Spt}(\mathcal{O}, T)_{ge})$ ):

By [Hor, Prop E.1.10] it is sufficient to prove that:

- i) They have the same underlying category.
  - ii) They have the same COF.
  - iii) They have the same fibrant objects.
- i) is true because left Bousfield localization doesn't change the underlying category.
- ii) since  $L_{H^1} \text{Spt}(\mathcal{O}, T)_{ge}$  have the same COF of  $\text{Spt}(\mathcal{O}, T)_{ge}$ , because it is a left Bousfield localization, then we have to prove that  $\text{Spt}(\mathcal{O}, T)_{ge}$  and  $\text{Spt}(L_{H^1} \mathcal{O}, T)_{ge}$  have the same COF.

Since  $\text{COF} = \text{IIP}(\text{TRIV FIB})$ , then it is equivalent to show that they have the same TRIV FIB. This is true because

TRIV FIB of  $\text{Spt}(\mathcal{O}, T)_{ge}$  = level-wise TRIV FIB of  $\mathcal{O}$

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TRIV FIB of  $\text{Spt}(L_{H^1} \mathcal{O}, T)_{ge}$  = " " " " of  $L_{H^1} \mathcal{O}$

because  $\text{TRIV FIB} = \text{IIP(COF)}$  and COF of  $L_{H^1} \mathcal{O}$  are the same of  $\mathcal{O}$ , since it is a left Bousfield localization

- iii)  $E = \{E_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  is fibrant in  $L_{H^1}(\text{Spt}(\mathcal{O}, T)_{ge})$ , i.e. is an  $H^1$ -local object

$\Leftrightarrow$  •  $E$  is fibrant in  $\text{Spt}(\mathcal{O}, T)_{ge}$ , i.e.  $E_n$  fibrant  $\forall n \geq 0$   
because fibrations are level-wise

- $Hf: X \rightarrow Y$  in  $H$ ,  $\forall n \geq 0$

Quillen adjunction  $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Map}^\Delta(\sum_{\tau}^{\infty-n} Y, E) & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{Map}^\Delta(\sum_{\tau}^{\infty+n} X, E) \\ \sum_{\tau}^{\infty-n} Ev_n & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{Map}^\Delta(Y, E_n) \quad \text{IIP} \\ & & \text{Map}^\Delta(X, E_n) \quad \text{IIP} \end{array}$  is a WE of simplicial sets

- $\Leftrightarrow$   $H_{\mathbb{H},0} E_n$  are  $H$ -local objects, i.e. fibrant in  $L_{H,0}$   
 $\Leftrightarrow$   $E$  is fibrant in  $Spt(L_{H,0}, T)$  because  
 Abductions are level-wise.

□

From this lemma directly follow two of the equivalences of categories we have to prove:

Cor A: [Bac18, Proposition 27]

| There are canonical equivalences of categories

$$SH^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)(p^{-1}) \xrightarrow{\sim} SH(S)(p^{-1})$$

$$SH^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)^{\text{ét}}(p^{-1}) \xrightarrow{\sim} SH(S)^{\text{ét}}(p^{-1}).$$

Proof:

We prove the first. The real-étale version is here since we will not use anything specific of Nisnevich topology.

We work at the level of model categories. We have the Quillen adjunctions

$$\begin{array}{ccc} g_{SH}(S) & & \\ \downarrow & \text{where this is a Quillen equivalence.} & \\ g_{SH^{\mathbb{S}^1}}(S) \xrightleftharpoons[\sim]{\Sigma^{\infty}_{G_m}} Spt(g_{SH^{\mathbb{S}^1}}(S), G_m) & & \end{array}$$

In general, given  $\mathcal{C}$  a monoidal model category,  $X, Y \in \mathcal{C}$  objects, we have the Quillen equivalence

$$Spt(\mathcal{C}, X \otimes Y) \xrightarrow{\sim} Spt(Spt(\mathcal{C}, X), Y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \{E_n\} &\hookrightarrow \{F_{m,n}\} & F_{m,n} := \begin{cases} E_n \otimes X^{m-n} & m \geq n \\ E_m \otimes Y^{n-m} & n \geq m \end{cases} \\ \{F_{n,n}\} &\hookleftarrow \{E_{m,n}\} \end{aligned}$$

We want to apply the previous lemma to

$$\mathcal{C} = g_{SH}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)$$

Recall: A set of homotopy generators of a stable model category  $\mathcal{C}$  is a set of objects  $G$  s.t. the smallest localizing  $\Delta$ -subcategory of  $Ho(\mathcal{C})$  containing  $G$  is the whole

$$\begin{aligned} T &= G_m \\ H &= \{ \text{id}_{E_n p}: E_n \mathbb{S}^0 \rightarrow E_n G_m \mid \exists E \in G \text{ set of cofibrant homotopy generators of } g_{SH}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S) \} \end{aligned}$$

By the lemma we have that

$$\text{Spt}(\text{L}_{\#}\text{Ggl}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S), \mathbb{G}_m) = \text{L}_{\#} \text{Spt}(\text{Ggl}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S), \mathbb{G}_m) \quad (*)$$

where  $\text{L}'$  is the set of morphisms of  $\text{Spt}(\text{Ggl}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S), \mathbb{G}_m)$

$$\text{L}' = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \sum_{\mathbb{G}_m}^{\infty-n} H = \{ \text{id}_{\mathbb{S}^1} \wedge p: \mathbb{S}^1 \wedge \mathbb{S}^0 \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1 \wedge \mathbb{G}_m \mid \mathbb{S}^1 \in G' \text{ set of cofibrant homotopy generators} \}$$

In general, if a stable monoidal model category  $\mathcal{T}$  of  $\text{Spt}(\text{Ggl}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S), \mathbb{G}_m)$

has a set  $G$  of cofibrant homotopy generators,

then  $G' := \bigcup_{n \geq 0} \sum_{\mathcal{T}}^{\infty-n} G$  is a set of cofibrant homotopy generators of  $\text{Spt}(\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{T})$ .

RHS of  $*$ :

Consider also the set of morphisms of  $\text{Ggl}(S)$

$$H'' := \{ \text{id}_{\mathbb{S}^1} \wedge p: \mathbb{S}^1 \wedge \mathbb{S}^0 \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1 \wedge \mathbb{G}_m \mid \mathbb{S}^1 \in G'' \text{ set of cofibrant homotopy generators of } \text{Ggl}(S) \}$$

It can be checked that  $H''$  and  $H'$  satisfy sufficient conditions (see [Hov, Prop 2.3]) s.t. we have an induced Quillen equivalence from the one  $\text{Ggl}(S) \rightleftarrows \text{Ggl}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S), \mathbb{G}_m$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{that's monoidal} & \xrightarrow{\quad \text{p-localization} \quad} & \text{L}_{\#} \text{Ggl}(S) \rightleftarrows \text{L}_{\#} \text{Spt}(\text{Ggl}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S), \mathbb{G}_m) \\ \text{is computed!} & \xrightarrow{\quad \text{p}^{-1} \quad} & \text{Ggl}(S)(p^{-1}) \rightleftarrows \text{Spt}(\text{Ggl}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S), \mathbb{G}_m)(p^{-1}) \end{array}$$

LHS of  $*$ :

Notice that the Quillen adjunction

$$\text{L}_{\#} \text{Ggl}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S) \rightleftarrows \text{Spt}(\text{L}_{\#} \text{Ggl}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S), \mathbb{G}_m) \quad \begin{matrix} \Sigma^{\infty} \\ \text{Ggl}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)(p^{-1}) \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \Sigma^{\infty} \\ \text{Ggl}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)(p^{-1}) \end{matrix}$$

is a Quillen equivalence b/c  $\mathbb{G}_m \in \text{Ggl}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S)(p^{-1})$  is weak equivalent to the unit  $\mathbb{S}^0$ , hence the endofunctor  $\Sigma_{\mathbb{G}_m}: - \wedge \mathbb{G}_m: \text{Ggl}^{\mathbb{S}^1}(S) \rightarrow$

is a Quillen equivalence, and then conclude by [Hov, Theorem 5.1].

Putting together, we have the canonical Quillen equivalences

$$\mathrm{Grl}(S)[p^{-1}] \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \\ \uparrow \downarrow \end{matrix} \mathrm{Spt}(\mathrm{Grl}^{S^1}(S)[p^{-1}], \mathbb{G}_m) = \mathrm{Spt}(\mathrm{Grl}^{S^1}(S), \mathbb{G}_m)[p^{-1}]$$

$$\mathrm{Grl}^{S^1}(S)[p^{-1}] \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathrm{Spt}(\mathrm{Grl}^{S^1}(S)[p^{-1}], \mathbb{G}_m) = \mathrm{Spt}(\mathrm{Grl}^{S^1}(S), \mathbb{G}_m)[p^{-1}]$$

Taking the homotopy categories, we get the wanted canonical equivalences of categories.



To prove the other two canonical equivalences, we need the following result.

Prop: [inside proof of [Bach18, Proposition 29]]

The morphism  $p: S^0 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_m$  in  $\mathrm{Shv}_{\mathrm{et}}(\mathrm{Sm}/S; \mathrm{Sp})$  admits a retraction, that is, there exists a morphism

$$\eta: \mathbb{G}_m \rightarrow S^0$$

s.t.  $S^0 \xrightarrow{p} \mathbb{G}_m \xrightarrow{\eta} S^0$  is the identity.

$$x^2 > 0 \quad \forall x \in R$$



$\zeta$  is determined by the ring structure:  
 $\forall x \in R \exists z \in R$  s.t.  
 $x + z^2 = y$

$(\mathbb{F}, >, 0)$  ordered field s.t.

$\forall x \in R \exists z \in R$

every polynomial in  $\mathbb{F}[T]$  of odd deg has a root

Proof:

We need the following:

Def: let  $R$  be a ring. An element  $a \in R^\times$  is called **TOTALLY POSITIVE**

if  $\forall r$  real closed field and  $\forall f: R \rightarrow r$  ring homomorphism

$$f(a) > 0.$$

Otherwise  $a \in R^\times$  is called **TOTALLY NEGATIVE**.

Notice it can't happen that  $f(a) = 0$  because  $a \in R^\times$ .

Rmk: •  $\forall a \in R^\times$ ,  $a^2$  is totally positive

$$\text{Indeed } f(a^2) = f(a)^2 > 0$$

•  $a \in R^\times$  is totally positive  $\Leftrightarrow -a \in R^\times$  is totally negative.

Indeed  $f(-a) = -f(a)$  and in an ordered field it holds that  
 $-x \leq 0 \leq x$  or  $x \leq 0 \leq -x$

Now we go back to the proof of the proposition. We define the subsheaves of  $\mathcal{G}_m$

$$G_+: U \mapsto G_+(U) := \{ \text{totally positive elements of } \mathcal{O}^*(U) \} \cap \mathcal{O}^*(U) = \mathcal{G}_m(U)$$

$$G_-: U \mapsto G_-(U) := \{ \text{"NEGATIVE"} \ " " \ " \} \cap \mathcal{O}^*(U) = \mathcal{G}_m(U)$$

By universal property of  $\amalg$  and applying real-étale sheafification we get the morphism in  $\text{Sh}_{\text{ét}}(\mathbf{Sm}, \text{Spec})$

$$\psi: \text{erét } G_+ \amalg \text{erét } G_- \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_m$$

We want to prove that this is an isomorphism.

Since real-étale topology has enough points, we can check it on real-étale stalks. So, let  $(A, \mathfrak{m})$  be an Henselian ring with  $A_{\mathfrak{m}}$  real closed field. We denote  $A \xrightarrow{\pi} A/\mathfrak{m}$ ,  $a \mapsto \bar{a}$ .

$$A_+ := \{ a \in A^* \mid \bar{a} > 0 \} \cap A^*$$

$$A_- := \{ a \in A^* \mid \bar{a} < 0 \} \cap A^*$$

one totally positive and negative elements of  $A^*$

↪ indeed  $\mathbb{R}$  real closed field and  $\forall f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  ring hom,

the induced field extension  $\bar{f}: A_{\mathfrak{m}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is ordered

because:  $\bar{a} \leq \bar{b} \rightsquigarrow \exists \bar{c} \in A_{\mathfrak{m}}$  st.  $\bar{a} + \bar{c} = \bar{b}$

↪  $\bar{a} + \bar{c} = \bar{b}$  has a root in  $A_{\mathfrak{m}}$   
Abelian

↪  $\bar{a} + \bar{c} = \bar{b}$  has a root  $d$  in  $A$

$$\rightsquigarrow f(a + d^2) = f(b) = \bar{f}(b) \rightsquigarrow \bar{f}(\bar{a}) \leq \bar{f}(\bar{b})$$

$$\bar{f}(\bar{a}) + \bar{f}(\bar{b})^2$$

Hence real étale stalks of  $\psi$  are

$$A_+ \amalg A_- \rightarrow A^*$$

which is an isomorphism since any element of  $A$  is either totally positive or totally negative.

Now, we define

$$\psi: \mathcal{G}_m \cong \text{erét } G_+ \amalg \text{erét } G_- \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^0$$

induced by universal property of  $\amalg$  from

$$\text{erét } (G_+ \rightarrow \bullet \rightarrow \bullet \amalg \bullet)$$

$$\text{erét } (G_- \rightarrow \bullet \rightarrow \bullet \amalg \bullet)$$

$$\bullet \amalg \bullet = \mathbb{S}^0$$

It is st. to composition

$$S^{\circ} \xrightarrow{P} G_M \xleftarrow{q} S^{\circ}$$

$$\bullet \longmapsto 1 \in G_+ \longleftarrow \bullet$$

$$* \longmapsto -1 \in G_- \longleftarrow *$$

because, by the above remarks,  
 $1 = 1^2 \in G_+$  and hence  $-1 \in G_-$

is the identity.



Now we prove the two remaining equivalences.

Prop B: [Bac18, Proposition 29]

| There is a canonical equivalence of categories

$$Sh(S)^{\text{ét}} \xrightarrow{\sim} Sh(S)^{\text{ét}}(p^{-1}).$$

Proof:

The canonical functor is the one induced on homotopy categories by the Quillen adjunction given by left exactness

$$Sh(S)^{\text{ét}} \longrightarrow Sh(S)^{\text{ét}}(p^{-1})$$

To prove it is an equivalence, we need to prove that the Quillen adjunction is in fact a Quillen equivalence. It suffices to prove that  $p$  is already a we in  $Sh(S)^{\text{ét}}$ .

This follows from the following:

⚠ This strengthens [Bac18, Lemma 30], which is sufficient for Prop B, but not for the next Prop C!

Prop: [Bac21, Proposition 2.1]

let  $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, 1)$  be a symmetric monoidal model category,

$I \in \mathcal{C}$  invertible object with morphisms

$$I \xrightarrow{e} X \xrightarrow{f} I$$

for some object  $X \in \mathcal{C}$ , s.t.  $fe = \text{id}$ .

If  $X$  is symmetric, then  $e$  and  $f$  are homotopy equivalences one the inverse of the other.

(See below \* for definitions and proof)

because is the unit of  $\wedge$

Indeed, we apply it to  $\ell = g \otimes l(S)^{\text{ret}}$ ,  $I = S^\circ$  which is invertible,  $X = G_m$  which is symmetric because is invertible [Dug, lemma 4.17],  $e = p$ ,  $f = q$ . We conclude that  $p$  and  $q$  are inverse homotopy equivalences, hence  $p$  is a we. ■

Prop C: [Boc 21, Thm 4.2]

| There is a canonical equivalence of categories

$$SH^{S^1}(S)^{\text{ret}} \xrightarrow{\sim} SH^{S^1}(S)^{\text{ret}}(p^{-1}).$$

Proof:

The proof is exactly the same of the one above, but we apply the proposition to  $\ell = g \otimes l(S)^{\text{ret}}$ ,  $I = S^\circ$  which is invertible,  $X = G_m = S^1 \wedge S^1 \wedge G_m = S^1 \wedge \underbrace{S^2 \wedge}_{\downarrow} G_m$  which is symmetric because

$$SH^{S^1} := (S^1)^\wedge \wedge (G_m)^\wedge \text{ nonic spheres}$$

- $S^1$  is invertible  $\Rightarrow S^1$  is 3-symmetric by (Dug, lemma 4.17)
  - $S^2$  is 3-symmetric because nonic spheres are 3-symmetric by (Hoy, lemma 6.3)
  - $\wedge$  of 3-symmetric objects is 3-symmetric, hence symmetric,
- $e = p$ ,  $f = q$ . ■

Finally, we prove that  $SH(\cdot)(p^{-1})$  satisfies the first 6 functors formalism and some properties.

Recall that in (CD) is proved that  $SH(\cdot)$  satisfies the first 6 functors formalism and satisfies also the compact generation and continuity properties. The ones for  $SH(\cdot)(p^{-1})$  are deduced from  $SH(\cdot)$ .

Prop: [Bac18, Proposition 28]

There exists a pseudofunctor

$\text{SH}(\cdot)(p^-)$ : {Noetherian schemes of finite Krull dim.}  $\xrightarrow{*}$  {closed symmetric monoidal triangulated categories}

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{SH}(S)(p_S^-) \\ f \uparrow & & \downarrow f^* \\ T & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \text{SH}(T)(p_T^-) \end{array}$$

satisfying the full 6 functors formalism, compact generation and continuity properties

- $\text{SH}(\cdot)(p^-)$  satisfies the full 6 functors formalism:

By [CD, Theorem 2.4.50] it suffices to prove that it is a pre-monic category satisfying homotopy, stability and localization properties.

- ①  $\text{SH}(\cdot)(p^-)$  is a pseudo-functor:

Given  $f: T \rightarrow S$  a morphism of Noetherian schemes of finite Krull dimension, denote  $p_S: S^\circ \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_m \in \text{Spec}_{\text{not}}(S)$

$$p_T: T^\circ \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_m \in \text{Spec}_{\text{not}}(T).$$

Notice that the pullback functor on motivic spaces

$$f^*: \text{Spec}_{\text{not}}(S) \rightarrow \text{Spec}_{\text{not}}(T)$$

is s.t.  $f^* p_S = p_T$ .

Hence also the functor induced on glivifications

$$f^*: \text{GGL}(S) \rightarrow \text{GGL}(T)$$

is s.t.  $f^* p_S = p_T$ .

By universal property of left localization, we get a functor

$$f^*: \text{GGL}(S)(p_S^-) \rightarrow \text{GGL}(T)(p_T^-)$$

and taking homotopy categories we get

$$f^*: \text{SH}(S)(p_S^-) \rightarrow \text{SH}(T)(p_T^-).$$

Faithful properties follow from the ones of  $f^*$  on motivic spaces.

②  $f^*$  has a triangulated right adjoint  $f_*$ :

The Quillen adjunction

$$f^*: \text{Sp}_{\text{not}}(S) \rightleftarrows \text{Sp}_{\text{not}}(T) : f_*$$

induces the Quillen adjunction

$$f^*: \text{SH}(S)(p_S^{-1}) \rightleftarrows \text{SH}(T)(p_T^{-1}) : f_* \quad \text{because } f^* p_S = p_T.$$

Taking homotopy categories, we get the triangulated adjunction

$$f^*: \text{SH}(S)(p_S^{-1}) \rightleftarrows \text{SH}(T)(p_T^{-1}) : f_*$$

③ If  $f$  is smoothening,  $f^*$  has a left adjoint  $f^\#$

Recall the explicit description of the  $p$ -localization functor [Bac18, Lemma 15]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SH}(T) &\longrightarrow \text{SH}(T)(p^{-1}) \\ E &\longmapsto \text{hocolim}_{n \geq 0} E \wedge \mathbb{G}_m^n \quad E \cong E \wedge S^0 \xrightarrow{\text{id} \wedge p} E \wedge \mathbb{G}_m \cong E \wedge \mathbb{G}_m \wedge S^0 \xrightarrow{\text{id} \wedge p^2} E \wedge \mathbb{G}_m^2 \dots \end{aligned}$$

Notice that since  $f^\#: \text{SH}(T) \rightarrow \text{SH}(S)$  is left adjoint to  $f^*$ , hence it commutes with homotopy colimits, hence  $f^\#(E(p^{-1})) = (f^\# E)(p^{-1})$ , so it induces a functor  $f^\#: \text{SH}(T)(p^{-1}) \rightarrow \text{SH}(S)(p^{-1})$  which is left adjoint to  $f^*$  by the adjunction  $f^\# \dashv f^*$  for  $\text{SH}: \mathcal{H} \text{E} \text{SH}(T), \mathcal{F} \text{E} \text{SH}(S)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_{\text{SH}(S)(p^{-1})}(f^\#(E(p^{-1})), F(p^{-1})) &= \text{Hom}_{\text{SH}(S)(p^{-1})}((f^\# E)(p^{-1}), F(p^{-1})) = \text{Hom}_{\text{SH}(S)}(f^\# E, F) = \\ &= \text{Hom}_{\text{SH}(T)}(E, f^* F) = \text{Hom}_{\text{SH}(T)(p^{-1})}(E(p^{-1}), f^* F(p^{-1})) = \text{Hom}_{\text{SH}(T)(p^{-1})}(E(p^{-1}), f^*(F(p^{-1}))) \end{aligned}$$

④ Smooth base change holds:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Y & \xrightarrow{g} & X \\ \downarrow g & \downarrow f & \\ T & \xrightarrow{p} & S \\ \text{smoth} & & \end{array} \Rightarrow g^\# g^* \rightarrow f^* p_* \text{ is an isomorphism.}$$

We deduce it from the corresponding property for  $\text{SH}(\cdot)$  using the explicit description of the monoidal  $p$ -localization functor in [Bac18, Lemma 15]

$$\text{SH}(S) \longrightarrow \text{SH}(S)(p^{-1})$$

$$E \longmapsto E(p^{-1}) := \text{hocolim}_{n \geq 0} E \wedge \mathbb{G}_m^n$$

$$E \cong E \wedge S^0 \xrightarrow{\text{id} \wedge p} E \wedge \mathbb{G}_m \cong E \wedge \mathbb{G}_m \wedge S^0 \xrightarrow{\text{id} \wedge p^2} E \wedge \mathbb{G}_m^2 \dots$$

Since  $g^\#, g^*, f^*, p_*$  are all left adjoints, hence they commute with homotopy colimit, hence

$$g^\# g^*(E(p^{-1})) \cong (g^\# g^* E)(p^{-1}) \xrightarrow{\cong} (f^* p_* E)(p^{-1}) = f^* p_*(E(p^{-1}))$$

smooth base change for  $\text{SH}(\cdot)$

(5) Smooth projection formula:

$$f: T \rightarrow S \text{ smooth} \Rightarrow \forall E \in \mathcal{SH}(S)[p'_*] \quad \forall F \in \mathcal{SH}(T)[p'_*]$$

$$f\#(f_* f^* E) \cong f_* f^* E$$

Reasoning as in (4), since  $f\#$ ,  $f^*$ ,  $f_{*}$ ,  $- \wedge E$  are all left adjoints, we can deduce it from the corresponding property for  $\mathcal{SH}(.)$ .

(6) Homotopy property:  $\forall p: \mathbb{A}_X^1 \rightarrow X$

$$p\# \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{A}_X^1}^0[p'] \rightarrow \mathbb{S}_X^0[p'] \text{ is an isomorphism}$$

Immediately follows from the corresponding property for  $\mathcal{SH}(.)$  since it is the image via the  $p$ -localization functor of the isomorphism  $p\# \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{A}_X^1}^0 \cong \mathbb{S}_X^0$  in  $\mathcal{SH}(X)$ .

(7) Stability property:  $\forall q: \mathbb{P}_X^1 \rightarrow X$

$$\text{cone}(q\# \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{P}_X^1}^0[p'] \rightarrow \mathbb{S}_X^0[p']) \text{ is invertible}$$

Immediately follows from the corresponding property for  $\mathcal{SH}(.)$  since it is the image via the  $p$ -localization functor of  $\text{cone}(q\# \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{P}_X^1}^0 \rightarrow \mathbb{S}_X^0)$ , which is invertible, hence also its image is.

(8) Localization property:  $\forall U \subset^j X \xrightarrow{i} Z := X \setminus U \quad \forall E(p') \in \mathcal{SH}(X)(p')$

$$j\# j^*(E(p')) \rightarrow E(p') \rightarrow i_* i^*(E(p')) \rightarrow$$

is a distinguished  $\Delta$

Notice that  $i_*$  commutes with filtered homotopy colimits

because  $i^*$  preserves compact objects =  $E \in \mathcal{SH}(X)$  s.t.

$\downarrow$

(CD)

$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{SH}(X)}(E, -)$  preserves  
filtered homotopy colimits

$\forall E \in \mathcal{SH}(T)$  compact object  $\forall \{E_n\}$  filtered system

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{SH}(T)}(E, i_* \text{hocolim}_n E_n) &= \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{SH}(X)}(i^* E, \text{hocolim}_n E_n) = \text{hocolim}_n \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{SH}(X)}(i^* E, E_n) = \\ &= \text{hocolim}_n \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{SH}(X)}(E, i_* E_n) = \text{Hom}_X(E, \text{hocolim}_n i_* E_n) \end{aligned}$$

and this is sufficient to conclude that  $i_* \text{hocolim}_n E_n \cong \text{hocolim}_n i_* E_n$

since  $\mathcal{SH}(T)$  has a set of compact homotopy generators. (CD)

Hence  $\forall E \in \text{SH}(U)$

$$i_*(E(p^{-1})) = i_*(\operatorname{hocolim}_n E \wedge G_m^n) \equiv \operatorname{hocolim}_n i_*(E \wedge G_m^n) = \operatorname{hocolim}_n i_*(E) \wedge G_m^n$$

i.e.  $i_*$  commutes with "p-localization functor".

Then localization property follows from the corresponding property for  $\text{SH}(\cdot)$  since the triangle is the image of the distinguished triangle  $j \# j^* E \rightarrow E \rightarrow i_* i^* E \rightarrow$  in  $\text{SH}(X)$ .

- $\text{SH}(S)(p^{-1})$  is compactly generated, i.e. it has a set of compact homology generators. Since  $\text{SH}(X)$  is compactly generated (CD), then also  $\text{SH}(S)(p^{-1})$  by [Bac18, lemma 15].
- continuity property:  $\forall \{S_\alpha\}$  inverse system of schemes with affine morphisms s.t. the limit exists. Fix  $\alpha_0$  and let

$$f_\alpha : X_\alpha \rightarrow X_{\alpha_0} \quad \forall \alpha > \alpha_0 \quad \forall E(p^{-1}) \in \text{SH}(X_{\alpha_0})(p^{-1}) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$$
$$p_\alpha : X \rightarrow X_\alpha$$

$$\operatorname{colim}_{\alpha > \alpha_0} \operatorname{Hom}_{\text{SH}(S_\alpha)(p^{-1})} (S^\circ(i)(p^{-1}), f_\alpha^*(E(p^{-1}))) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_{\text{SH}(S)(p^{-1})} (S^\circ(i)(p^{-1}), p_{\alpha_0}^*(E(p^{-1})))$$

is an isomorphism.

This immediately follows from the corresponding property for  $\text{SH}(\cdot)$ , using the fact that

$$f^*(E(p^{-1})) = f^*E(p^{-1}) \rightarrow \text{this is the explicit description of } f^* \text{ defined in ①!}.$$

and that the p-localization embeds fully faithfully in  $\text{SH}(X)$ . □



Def: [Bvz, § 4.16]

- Given  $n$  variables  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ , a **TENSOR WORD**  $w$  is a pure tensor where each variable appears exactly once.
- e.g.  $n=3$   $w = (x_1 \otimes x_2) \otimes x_3$
- Given  $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, \mathbb{I})$  a symmetric monoidal model category, a **TENSOR WORD**  $w$  in  $n$  variables induces a functor

$$F_w: \mathcal{C}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$$

$(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto$  object obtained evaluating variables  $x_i$  into  $\mathbb{X}_i$

e.g.  $F_w: \mathcal{C}^3 \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3) \mapsto (x_1 \otimes x_2) \otimes x_3$$

- For any  $\sigma \in S_n$  permutation of  $n$  objects, we denote by  $\omega$  the **TENSOR WORD** obtained from  $w$  by replacing  $x_i$  with  $x_{\sigma(i)}$ . It can be proved that there are natural isomorphisms

$$\eta_w: F_w \xrightarrow{\sim} F_{\omega}$$

given by a combination of the associativity ( $\alpha$ ) and commutativity ( $\gamma$ ) structure morphisms of  $\mathcal{C}$ .

e.g.  $\sigma = (123)$   $(x_1 \otimes x_2) \otimes x_3 \xrightarrow{\gamma} x_3 \otimes (x_1 \otimes x_2) \xrightarrow{\alpha} (x_3 \otimes x_1) \otimes x_2$

- Given  $X \in \mathcal{C}$  an object, we denote  $F_w(X) := F_w(x_1, \dots, X)$ . Notice that  $F_w(X) = F_{\omega}(X)$  as objects, by  $\eta_w: F_w(X) \xrightarrow{\sim} F_{\omega}(X)$  is not the identity!

We say that  $X$  is  **$n$ -SYMMETRIC** if the tensor word of  $n$  variables

$\eta_w^*: F_w(X) \rightarrow F_{\omega}(X)$  is weakly equivalent to the identity when  $\sigma \in S_n$  is the  $n$ -cycle  $(1 \dots n)$

We say  $X$  is **SYMMETRIC** if it is  $n$ -symmetric for some  $n \geq 2$ .

REMARK: (1)  $X, Y$   $n$ -symmetric  $\Rightarrow X \otimes Y$   $n$ -symmetric

(2) let  $\sigma, \tau \in S_n$  any two permutations.

If  $\eta_{\text{ow}}^X : F_w(X) \rightarrow F_{\text{ow}}(X)$  and  $\eta_{\text{tw}}^X : F_w(X) \rightarrow F_{\text{tw}}(X)$  are homotopy equivalent to the identity, then also  $\eta_{\text{otw}}^X : F_w(X) \rightarrow F_{\text{otw}}(X)$  is.

Proof:

(1) let  $w$  be a tensor word in  $n$  variables, & the  $n$ -cycle permutation.

Notice we can define  $\eta_{\text{ow}}^{X \otimes Y}$  as the composition:

$$F_w(X \otimes Y) \xrightarrow{\alpha} F_w(X) \otimes F_w(Y) \xrightarrow{\eta_{\text{ow}}^X \otimes \eta_{\text{ow}}^Y, F_{\text{ow}}(X) \otimes F_{\text{ow}}(Y)} F_w(X \otimes Y)$$

where  $\alpha$  is a combination of isomorphisms  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  that take all  $X$ 's on the left and  $Y$ 's on the right.

Since  $X$  and  $Y$  are  $n$ -symmetric, then  $\eta_{\text{ow}}^X \sim \text{id}$  &  $\eta_{\text{ow}}^Y \sim \text{id}$  hence  $\eta_{\text{ow}}^X \otimes \eta_{\text{ow}}^Y \sim \text{id}$ .

But then

$$\eta_{\text{ow}}^{X \otimes Y} = \alpha^{-1}(\eta_{\text{ow}}^X \otimes \eta_{\text{ow}}^Y) \alpha \sim \alpha^{-1} \text{id} \alpha = \text{id}$$

that is,  $X \otimes Y$  is  $n$ -symmetric.

(2)  $\eta_{\text{otw}}^X = \eta_{\text{tw}}^X \circ \eta_{\text{ow}}^X \sim \text{id} \circ \text{id} = \text{id}$  □

Proof (of the Prop):

We have to prove that  $\sim \text{id}$ .

We do the following reductions:

- Notice that any  $(2n-1)$  cycle is the product of 2  $n$ -cycles.  
So, by remark (2), we can assume that  $X$  is  $n$ -symmetric with  $n$  odd. because (2) tells that  $X$   $n$ -symmetric  $\Rightarrow X$   $(2n-1)$ -symmetric.
- Since  $n$  is odd, hence  $(1 \dots n)$  is an even permutation, hence  $I$  invertible is  $n$ -symmetric by [Dug, lemma 4.7].  
By remark (1), then  $X \otimes I^{-1}$  is  $n$ -symmetric.