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A fundamental idea in homological algebra is to consider a complex of  $R$ -modules as a single object to be acted on and studied as a whole, rather than as a combination of separate pieces. For instance, this allows one to study the modules  $\text{Ext}_R^i(M, N)$  by studying any of the complexes that give rise to these modules. In this talk, I will motivate and sketch the construction of the derived category, where much of this type of work takes place. I will also discuss a derived-category variant of a question of Huneke about the finiteness of the set of associated primes of local cohomology modules. (Received February 05, 2017)