

Sp ∞ -category of spectra

HSp stable homotopy category

cohomology theories representable
finite spectra (e.g. compact manifolds)
fully dualizable

objects Sp: Spectra

A spectrum X can be viewed as a sequence of pointed spaces $\in \mathbf{sSet}_*$

$$X = \{X_n\}_{n \geq 0}$$

$$\Sigma X_n \rightarrow X_{n+1}$$

based loop space



$$\text{since } \text{Map}(\Sigma X_n, X_{n+1}) = \text{Map}(X_n, \Omega X_{n+1})$$

we equivalently have $X_n \rightarrow \Omega X_{n+1}$

we may assume this is an equivalence "omega spectrum"

morphisms: reference: Adams "Stable Homotopy and generalized Homology" Part III

2-simplices

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & X & \\ f \nearrow & & \searrow g \\ X & \xrightarrow{h} & Z \end{array}$$

and a homotopy $g \circ f \simeq h$

universal property: $\text{Sp} = \mathbf{sSet}_*[\Sigma^{-1}]$

Let $\text{Fun}^{\otimes}(-, -)$ denote functors preserving colimits and tensor product of symmetric monoidal ∞ -cat

There is a fully faithful embedding

$$\text{Fun}^{\otimes}(\text{Sp}, \mathcal{D}) \hookrightarrow \text{Fun}^{\otimes}(\text{sSet}_{*}, \mathcal{D})$$

with image $\{ \mathbb{F}: \text{sSet}_{*} \rightarrow \mathcal{D} \text{ s.t. } \{ \mathbb{F}(S^1) \otimes \text{invertible} \}$

$$X \in \text{Sp} \quad \begin{array}{l} \Sigma X \cong X[1] \\ \Omega X \cong X[-1] \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow \text{shifted} \\ \text{by } -1 \end{array}$$

$$\Sigma^{\infty} : \text{sSet}_{*} \rightleftarrows \text{Sp} : \Omega^{\infty}$$

$$\Omega^{\infty} X = \text{colim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Omega^n X_n$$

$$\text{where } \Omega^n = \text{Map}_{*}(S^n, X) = \underbrace{\Omega \dots \Omega}_{n\text{-times}}$$

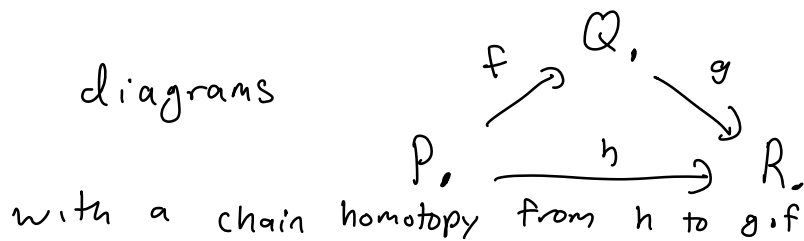
Ex R ring
 $\mathcal{D}^{\text{perf}}(R)$ is a stable ∞ -cat

objects: bounded chain complexes of finitely generated projective R -modules

$$\dots \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow P_N \rightarrow P_{N-1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow P_M \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \dots$$

morphisms; maps of chain complexes $f: P. \rightarrow Q.$

2-simplices: diagrams



X Scheme, can define

$$\mathcal{D}^{\text{perf}}(X) = \lim_{\text{spec } R \subseteq X} \mathcal{D}^{\text{perf}}(R)$$

Spaces and spectra of maps

• \mathcal{C} ∞ -cat, $X, Y \in \mathcal{C}$ $\text{Map}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, Y) \in \text{Set}$

• \mathcal{C} stable ∞ -cat, $X, Y \in \mathcal{C}$ $\text{Mor}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, Y) \in \text{Sp}$

$$\text{Mor}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, Y) = \left\{ \text{Map}(X, \Sigma^n Y) \right\}_{n \geq 0}$$

Ex: $\pi_0 \Omega^{\infty} \text{Mor}_{\mathcal{D}^{\text{perf}}(R)}(P, Q) \cong$

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{ho } \mathcal{D}^{\text{perf}}(R)}(P, Q) \cong \text{Hom}_{\text{chain complexes}}(P, Q)$$

\nearrow usual derived category

Since P is a complex of p_j

Ex: M rank 1 projective R -module

$$\pi_0 \Omega^\infty \text{Mor}_{\mathcal{D}^{\text{Perf}}(\mathcal{R})} (P_* \otimes Q_*, M[-n]) \cong$$

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{ho} \mathcal{D}^{\text{Perf}}(\mathcal{R})} (P_* \otimes Q_*, M[-n]) \cong$$

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{chain complexes}} (P_* \otimes Q_*, M[-n])$$

Since
P, Q
complexes
of proj

Rmk: $M[-n] \cong \Sigma^{-n} M$ is a \otimes -invertible object

Examples of quadratic functors on symmetric monoidal stable ∞ -categories;

$$\mathcal{C} = \text{Sp}, \mathcal{D}^{\text{Perf}}(\mathcal{R}), \mathcal{D}^{\text{Perf}}(X)$$

$$B: \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \times \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Sp} \quad B(X, Y) \cong \text{Mor}(X \otimes Y, L)$$

$$L = \Sigma^{-n} \mathbb{Q}, M[-n], M[-n] \text{ respectively } \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

↖ line bundle on X

• Associated to B is the duality functor

$$\mathbb{D}_Q = \text{Mor}_{\text{Sp}}(-, \mathbb{Q}), \text{Mor}_{\mathcal{D}^{\text{Perf}}(\mathcal{R})}(-, M[-n]), \text{Mor}_{\mathcal{D}^{\text{Perf}}(X)}(-, M[-n])$$

• Associated to B are the quadratic functors

$$Q^e : \mathcal{C}^{op} \rightarrow Sp \quad Q^e(X) = B(X, X)_{nc_2}$$

$$Q^s : \mathcal{C}^{op} \rightarrow Sp \quad Q^s(X) = B(X, X)^{nc_2}$$

Theorem (9 authors = Calmès, Dotto, Harpaz, Hebestreit, Land, Moi, Nikolaus, Steimle)

R ring, M rank 1 projective R-module $\nabla: M \rightarrow M$
involution

There exist essentially unique quadratic functors

$$Q_M^{ge}, Q_M^{gs}, Q_M^s : \mathcal{D}^{perf}(R)^{op} \rightarrow Sp$$

whose restriction to $\text{Proj}(R) \subseteq \mathcal{D}^{perf}(R)^{op}$ are

"genuine quadratic" $Q_M^{ge} = \text{Hom}(P \otimes P, M)_{c_2}$

"genuine symmetric" $Q_M^{gs} = \text{Hom}(P \otimes P, M)^{c_2}$

"genuine even" $Q_M^{ge} = \text{im} [Q_M^{ge}(P) \rightarrow Q_M^{gs}(P)]$

There is a sequence of natural transformations $Q_M^e \Rightarrow Q_M^{ge} \Rightarrow Q_M^{gs} \Rightarrow Q_M^s$

which are equivalences when $\frac{1}{2} \in R$

Def: A quadratic object of (\mathcal{C}, Q)

is a pair (X, q) with $X \in \mathcal{C}$ and $q \in \Omega^\infty Q(X)$

The map $Q(X) \rightarrow B(X, X) \xrightarrow{h^{C_2}} B(X, X)$
 induces $\Omega^\infty Q(X) \rightarrow \Omega^\infty B(X, X) \xrightarrow{h^{C_2}} \Omega^\infty B(X, X)$

$$\Omega^\infty \text{Mor}(X, \mathbb{D}_Q X)$$

Let $q_\# : X \rightarrow \mathbb{D}_Q X$ denote the image of q

Def: A quadratic object (X, q) of (\mathcal{C}, Q)
 is a Poincaré object if $q_\#$ is invertible

Ex: M compact oriented manifold dimension n
 Let $C^*(M; \mathbb{Z})$ be the singular cochain complex

$$e_M : C^*(M; \mathbb{Z}) \otimes C^*(M; \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow C^*(M; \mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{[M]} \mathbb{Z}[-n]$$

determines a point $e_M \in \Omega^\infty Q(C^*(M; \mathbb{Z}))$

Poincaré duality $\Rightarrow (C^*(M; \mathbb{Z}), \mathcal{E}_M)$ is
 a Poincaré object of $(\mathcal{D}^{\text{Perf}}(\mathbb{Z}), \mathcal{Q})$

Ex: 0 object of \mathcal{C} stable ∞ -category
 \mathcal{Q} quadratic functor from our examples
 $\Omega^\infty \mathcal{Q}(0) \simeq *$ contractible

$q \in \Omega^\infty \mathcal{Q}(0)$ any point

Then $(0, q)$ is a Poincaré object of
 $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{Q})$

Ex: $X \in \mathcal{C}$ hyperbolic Poincaré objects
 $\text{Mor}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, X) \cong B(X, \mathbb{D}X) \xrightarrow{\text{summand}} B(X \oplus \mathbb{D}X, X \oplus \mathbb{D}X)$
 \downarrow
 $I_X \longleftarrow \downarrow$
 $h \in \mathcal{Q}(X \oplus \mathbb{D}X)$
 $\text{hyp}(X) := (X \oplus \mathbb{D}X, h)$ is a Poincaré object

Monoid structure: Let (X, q) and (X', q') be
 quadratic objects of $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{Q})$

$$X \oplus X' \rightarrow X$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{Q}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}(X \oplus X'), \text{ same for } X'$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \Omega^\infty \mathcal{Q}(X) \oplus \Omega^\infty \mathcal{Q}(X') \rightarrow \Omega^\infty \mathcal{Q}(X \oplus X')$$

$$(q, q') \longmapsto q \oplus q'$$

Note: $(X \oplus X', q \oplus q')$ is a quadratic
 object of $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{Q})$

claim: IF (X, ϱ) and (X', ϱ') are Poincaré objects, so is $(X \oplus X', \varrho \oplus \varrho')$

$$\begin{aligned} & \oplus B(X', X) \\ & \oplus B(X, X') \\ & B(X, X) \oplus B(X', X') \end{aligned}$$

PF:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} B(X \oplus X', X \oplus X')_{hC_2} & \xrightarrow{Sym} & B(X \oplus X', X \oplus X')_{hC_2} & \xrightarrow{112} & B(X \oplus X', X \oplus X') \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \downarrow \\ B(X, X)_{hC_2} \oplus B(X', X')_{hC_2} & \xrightarrow{(Sym, Sym)} & B(X, X)_{hC_2} \oplus B(X', X')_{hC_2} & \xrightarrow{} & B(X, X) \oplus B(X', X') \end{array}$$

$$(\varrho \oplus \varrho')_{\#} = \varrho_{\#} \oplus \varrho'_{\#}$$

Thus: $\{ \text{Poincaré objects } (Q, \varrho) \} / \text{homotopy}$

is a commutative monoid with \oplus and identity $(0, \varrho)$

Not a group: $(X, \varrho) \oplus (X', \varrho') \simeq 0$

$\Rightarrow (X, \varrho)$ and (X', ϱ') $\sim (0, \varrho)$

Def. A Lagrangian of a Poincaré object

(X, ϱ) is a pair (L, η) where

- $L \xrightarrow{f} X$ is a map and
- $\eta: f^*(\varrho) \sim 0$ in $\Omega^\infty Q(L)$

Such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L & \longrightarrow & X \xrightarrow{\varrho} D_Q X \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & D_Q L \end{array}$$

is a pullback

i.e. $L \longrightarrow X \xrightarrow{\varrho} D_Q X \longrightarrow D_Q L$

is a fiber sequence

terminology: X is metabolic with Lagrangian L

Def. $GW_0(\mathcal{C}, Q) = \frac{\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{homotopy classes} \\ \text{Poincaré objects } (X, \varrho) \\ \text{of } (\mathcal{C}, Q) \end{array} \right\}}{\quad}$

$$[X, \varrho] = [\text{hyp}(L)]$$

for X metabolic with
Lagrangian L

Rmk: This is not isomorphic to

group completion $\{ \text{homotopy classes of Poincaré objects } (X, e) \text{ of } (\mathcal{C}, Q) \}$

Def: $L_0(\mathcal{C}, Q) = \{ \text{homotopy classes of Poincaré objects in } (\mathcal{C}, Q) \} / \langle \text{metabolic objects} \rangle$

- Given a quadratic functor $Q: \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow Sp$ on a stable ∞ -category

$\Omega^n Q: \mathcal{C}^{\text{op}} \rightarrow Sp$ is a quadratic functor

Def: $GW_n(\mathcal{C}, Q) := GW_0(\mathcal{C}, \Omega^n Q)$
 $L_n(\mathcal{C}, Q) := L_0(\mathcal{C}, \Omega^n Q)$

Rmk: A better definition is to create spaces and spectra $\mathcal{G}W(\mathcal{C}, Q)$ and $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{C}, Q)$ and to define $GW_n(\mathcal{C}, Q) = \pi_n \mathcal{G}W(\mathcal{C}, Q)$
 $L_n(\mathcal{C}, Q) = \pi_n \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{C}, Q)$

Theorem (Hebestreit-Steimle)

R ring. M rank 1 projective R -module

$$GW_n(\mathcal{D}^{\text{perf}}(R), \mathcal{Q}_M^{\text{ge}}) \cong \text{classical } GW_n^e(R, M)$$

$$GW_n(\mathcal{D}^{\text{perf}}(R), \mathcal{Q}_M^{\text{ge}}) \cong \text{classical } GW_n^{\text{ev}}(R, M)$$

$$GW_n(\mathcal{D}^{\text{perf}}(R), \mathcal{Q}_M^{\text{gs}}) \cong \text{classical } GW_n^s(R, M)$$

↑

classical
Grothendieck-
Witt groups
defined
using
unimodular
forms and
group completion
cf. L3 Witt
groups

references: Lurie L5, L7
Harpaz L1
Land L1