

Quasi-elliptic cohomology

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Plan.

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- Loop space construction: Witten's conjecture
- Geometric structure on Tate curve
- Global homotopy theory for elliptic cohomology theories
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 - equivariant homotopy theory
 - chromatic homotopy theory
 - motivic homotopy theory

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[AHS][Lurie]

R : commutative ring; C/R : elliptic curve over R .

E is an elliptic cohomology theory if $E^0(\text{pt}) \cong R$ and $\text{Spf} E^0(\mathbb{C}P^\infty) \cong \widehat{C}$.

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Classification Theorems on elliptic curves

Motivating examples: Morava E-theories

- 1995, Matthew Ando: a classification of the level- p^k structure of its formal group.
- 1998, Neil Strickland: $\mathrm{Spec}(E^0(B\Sigma_{p^k})/I_{tr}) \cong \mathrm{Sub}_{p^k}(\mathbb{G}_E)$.
The Morava E -theory of the symmetric group Σ_n modulo a certain transfer ideal classifies the power subgroups of rank n of its formal group.
- 2015, Tomer M. Schlank, Nathaniel Stapleton:

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Via transchromatic character theory.

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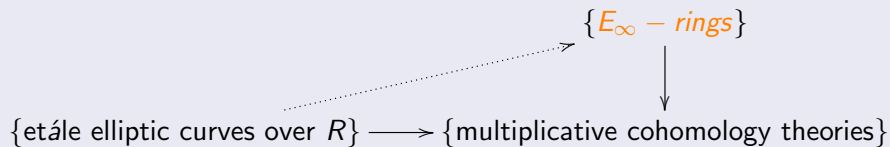
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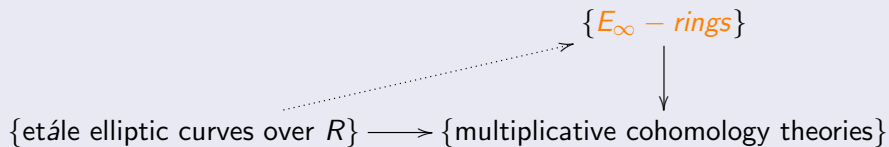
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