

In this section, we will freely use the coherence theorem for a symmetric monoidal category, which says that every symmetric monoidal category is (monoidally) equivalent to a *permutative category*, that is, a symmetric monoidal category in which the associators and unitors are strict equalities.

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**Definition 0.1.** Let  $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, S)$  be a symmetric monoidal category with left unitor, right unitor, and associator, and symmetry isomorphism  $\lambda, \rho, \alpha$ , and  $\tau$ , respectively. Then a *monoid object*  $(E, \mu, e)$  is an object  $E$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  along with a multiplication map  $\mu : E \otimes E \rightarrow E$  and a unit map  $e : S \rightarrow E$  such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E \otimes S & \xrightarrow{E \otimes e} & E \otimes E \xleftarrow{e \otimes E} S \otimes E \\ & \searrow \rho & \downarrow \mu \swarrow \lambda \\ & & E \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} (E \otimes E) \otimes E & \xrightarrow{\mu \otimes E} & E \otimes E \\ \alpha \downarrow & & \downarrow \mu \\ E \otimes (E \otimes E) & \xrightarrow{E \otimes \mu} & E \otimes E \xrightarrow{\mu} E \end{array}$$

The first diagram expresses unitality, while the second expressed associativity. If in addition the following diagram commutes,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E \otimes E & \xrightarrow{\tau} & E \otimes E \\ & \searrow \mu & \swarrow \mu \\ & & E \end{array}$$

then we say  $(E, \mu, e)$  is a *commutative monoid object*.

**Proposition 0.2.** Let  $(E_1, \mu_1, e_1)$  and  $(E_2, \mu_2, e_2)$  be monoid objects in a symmetric monoidal category  $(\mathcal{C}, \otimes, S)$ . Then  $E_1 \otimes E_2$  is canonically a ring spectrum via the maps

$$\mu : E_1 \otimes E_2 \otimes E_1 \otimes E_2 \xrightarrow{E_1 \otimes \tau \otimes E_2} E_1 \otimes E_1 \otimes E_2 \otimes E_2 \xrightarrow{\mu_1 \otimes \mu_2} E_1 \otimes E_2$$

and

$$e : S \cong S \otimes S \xrightarrow{e_1 \otimes e_2} E_1 \otimes E_2.$$

*Proof.*

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In what follows, fix a stable homotopy category  $\mathcal{SH}$  (??) along with the additional data there-within, and adopt the conventions outlined in ??. Further suppose we have fixed a coherent family of isomorphisms

$$\phi_{a,b} : S^{a+b} \xrightarrow{\cong} S^a \otimes S^b,$$

in the sense of ?? (the existence of such a coherent family is guaranteed by ??).

**Proposition 0.3.** Let  $(E, \mu, e)$  be a commutative monoid object in  $\mathcal{SH}$ , and consider the multiplication map  $\pi_*(E) \times \pi_*(E) \rightarrow \pi_*(E)$  which sends classes  $x : S^a \rightarrow E$  and  $y : S^b \rightarrow E$  to the composition

$$S^{a+b} \xrightarrow{\phi_{a,b}} S^a \otimes S^b \xrightarrow{x \otimes y} E \otimes E \xrightarrow{\mu} E.$$

Then this endows  $\pi_*(E)$  with the structure of an  $A$ -graded ring with unit  $e \in \pi_0(E) = [S, E]$ .

*Proof.* In this proof, we will assume we are working in a permutative category. Suppose we have classes  $x, y$ , and  $z$  in  $\pi_a(E)$ ,  $\pi_b(E)$ , and  $\pi_c(E)$ , respectively. To see associativity, consider the

following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & & & E \otimes E \\
 & & & \nearrow \mu \otimes E & \downarrow \mu \\
 S^{a+b+c} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & S^a \otimes S^b \otimes S^c & \xrightarrow{x \otimes y \otimes z} & E \otimes E \otimes E \\
 & & & \searrow E \otimes \mu & \uparrow \mu \\
 & & & & E \otimes E
 \end{array}$$

(here the first arrow is the unique isomorphism obtained by composing products of  $\phi_{a,b}$ 's, see ??). It commutes by associativity of  $\mu$ . It follows by functoriality of  $- \otimes -$  that the top composition is  $(x \cdot y) \cdot z$  while the bottom is  $x \cdot (y \cdot z)$ , so they are equal as desired. To see that  $e \in \pi_0(E)$  is a left and right unit for this multiplication, consider the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & S^a & & & \\
 & \swarrow e \otimes x & \downarrow x & \searrow x \otimes e & \\
 E \otimes E & \xleftarrow{e \otimes E} & E & \xrightarrow{E \otimes e} & E \otimes E \\
 & \searrow \mu & \parallel & \swarrow \mu & \\
 & E & & & 
 \end{array}$$

Commutativity of the two top triangles is functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ . Commutativity of the bottom two triangles is unitality of  $\mu$ . Thus the diagram commutes, so  $e \cdot x = x \cdot e$ . Finally, to see this product is bilinear (distributive). Suppose we further have some  $x' \in \pi_a(E)$  and  $y' \in \pi_b(E)$ , and consider the following diagrams:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 S^{a+b} & \xrightarrow{\phi_{a,b}} & S^a \otimes S^b & \xrightarrow{\Delta \otimes S^b} & (S^a \oplus S^a) \otimes S^b & \xrightarrow{(x \oplus x') \otimes y} & (E \oplus E) \otimes E \\
 \Delta \downarrow & & \downarrow \Delta & \swarrow \cong & & \swarrow \cong & \downarrow \nabla \otimes E \\
 S^{a+b} \oplus S^{a+b} & \xrightarrow{\phi_{a,b} \oplus \phi_{a,b}} & (S^a \otimes S^b) \oplus (S^a \otimes S^b) & \xrightarrow{(x \otimes y) \oplus (x' \otimes y)} & (E \otimes E) \oplus (E \otimes E) & \xrightarrow{\nabla} & E \otimes E \xrightarrow{\mu} E
 \end{array}$$
  

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 S^{a+b} & \xrightarrow{\phi_{a,b}} & S^a \otimes S^b & \xrightarrow{S^a \otimes \Delta} & S^b \otimes (S^b \oplus S^b) & \xrightarrow{x \otimes (y \oplus y')} & E \otimes (E \oplus E) \\
 \Delta \downarrow & & \downarrow \Delta & \swarrow \cong & & \swarrow \cong & \downarrow E \otimes \nabla \\
 S^{a+b} \oplus S^{a+b} & \xrightarrow{\phi_{a,b} \oplus \phi_{a,b}} & (S^a \otimes S^b) \oplus (S^a \otimes S^b) & \xrightarrow{(x \otimes y) \oplus (x \otimes y)} & (E \otimes E) \oplus (E \otimes E) & \xrightarrow{\nabla} & E \otimes E \xrightarrow{\mu} E
 \end{array}$$

The unlabeled isomorphisms are those given by the fact that  $- \otimes -$  is additive in each variable (since  $S\mathcal{H}$  is tensor triangulated). Commutativity of the left squares is naturality of  $\Delta : X \rightarrow X \oplus X$  in an additive category. Commutativity of the rest of the diagram follows again from the fact that  $- \otimes -$  is an additive functor in each variable. Hence, by functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ , these diagrams tell us that  $(x + x') \cdot y = x \cdot y + x' \cdot y$  and  $x \cdot (y + y') = x \cdot y + x \cdot y'$ , respectively.  $\square$

**Proposition 0.4.** *For all  $a, b \in A$  there exists an element  $\theta_{a,b} \in \pi_0(S) = [S, S]$  (determined by choice of coherent family  $\{\phi_{a,b}\}$ ) such that given any commutative monoid object  $(E, \mu, e)$  in  $S\mathcal{H}$ , the  $A$ -graded ring structure on  $\pi_*(E)$  (??) has a commutativity formula given by*

$$x \cdot y = y \cdot x \cdot (e \circ \theta_{a,b})$$

for all  $x \in \pi_a(E)$  and  $y \in \pi_b(E)$ . In particular,  $\theta_{a,b} \in \text{Aut}(S)$  is the composition

$$S \xrightarrow{\cong} S^{-a-b} \otimes S^a \otimes S^b \xrightarrow{S^{-a-b} \otimes \tau} S^{-a-b} \otimes S^b \otimes S^a \xrightarrow{\cong} S,$$

where the outermost maps are the unique maps specified by ??.

*Proof.* Let  $\phi_{a,b}$ ,  $E$ ,  $x$ , and  $y$  as in the statement of the proposition. Now consider the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 S^{a+b} & \xrightarrow{\phi_{a,b}} & S^a \otimes S^b & \xrightarrow{x \otimes y} & E \otimes E \\
 \downarrow \phi_{b,a}^{-1} \circ \tau \circ \phi_{a,b} & & \downarrow \tau & & \downarrow \tau \\
 S^{a+b} & \xrightarrow{\phi_{b,a}} & S^b \otimes S^a & \xrightarrow{y \otimes x} & E \otimes E \\
 & & & & \searrow \mu \\
 & & & & E
 \end{array}$$

The left square commutes by definition. The middle square commutes by naturality of the symmetry isomorphism. Finally, the right square commutes by commutativity of  $E$ . Unravelling definitions, we have shown that under the product on  $\pi_*(E)$  induced by the  $\phi_{a,b}$ 's,

$$x \cdot y = (y \cdot x) \circ (\phi_{b,a}^{-1} \circ \tau \circ \phi_{a,b}).$$

Thus, in order to show the desired result it further suffices to show that

$$(y \cdot x) \circ (\phi_{b,a}^{-1} \circ \tau \circ \phi_{a,b}) = y \cdot x \cdot (e \circ \theta_{a,b}).$$

Consider the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 S^{a+b} & \xrightarrow{\phi_{a,b}} & S^a \otimes S^b \\
 \cong \downarrow & \nearrow \cong & \downarrow \tau \\
 S^b \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a-b} \otimes S^a \otimes S^b & & S^b \otimes S^a \\
 S^b \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a-b} \otimes \tau \downarrow & \nearrow \cong & \downarrow \phi_{b,a}^{-1} \\
 S^b \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a-b} \otimes S^b \otimes S^a & \xrightarrow{\phi_{b,a}} & S^{a+b} \\
 \searrow y \otimes x \otimes e & \nearrow y \otimes x & \\
 E \otimes E \otimes E & \xrightarrow{E \otimes E \otimes e} & E \otimes E \\
 \mu \otimes E \downarrow & \nearrow E \otimes \mu & \parallel \\
 E \otimes E & \xrightarrow{\mu} & E
 \end{array}$$

Here any map simply labelled  $\cong$  is an appropriate composition of copies of  $\phi_{a,b}$ 's, associators, and their inverses, so that each of these maps are necessarily unique by ???. The two triangles in the top large rectangle commutes by coherence for the  $\phi_{a,b}$ 's. The parallelogram commutes by naturality of  $\tau$  and coherence of the  $\phi_{a,b}$ 's. The middle skewed triangle commutes by functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ . The triangle below that commutes by unitality of  $\mu$ . Finally, the bottom rectangle commutes by associativity of  $\mu$ . Hence, by unravelling definitions and applying functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ , we get that the right composition is  $(y \cdot x) \circ (\phi_{b,a}^{-1} \circ \tau \circ \phi_{a,b})$ , while the left composition is  $y \cdot x \cdot (e \circ \theta_{a,b})$ , so they are equal as desired.  $\square$

**Proposition 0.5.** *Given  $a \in A$ , we have  $\theta_{0,a} = \theta_{a,0} = \text{id}_S$ .*

*Proof.* Recall  $\theta_{a,0}$  is the composition

$$S \xrightarrow{\phi_{-a,a}} S^{-a} \otimes S^a \xrightarrow{S^{-a} \otimes \phi_{a,0}} S^{-a} \otimes (S^a \otimes S) \xrightarrow{S^{-a} \otimes \tau} S^{-a} \otimes (S \otimes S^a) \xrightarrow{S^{-a} \otimes \phi_{0,a}^{-1}} S^{-a} \otimes S^a \xrightarrow{\phi_{-a,a}^{-1}} S$$

By the coherence theorem for symmetric monoidal categories and the fact that  $\phi_{a,0}$  and  $\phi_{0,a}$  coincide with the unitors, we have that the composition

$$S^a \xrightarrow{\phi_{a,0} = \rho_{S^a}^{-1}} S^a \otimes S \xrightarrow{\tau} S \otimes S^a \xrightarrow{\phi_{0,a}^{-1} = \lambda_{S^a}} S^a$$

is precisely the identity map, so by functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ , we have that  $\theta_{a,0}$  is the composition

$$S \xrightarrow{\phi_{-a,a}} S^{-a} \otimes S^a \xrightarrow{\cong} S^{-a} \otimes S^a \xrightarrow{\phi_{-a,a}^{-1}} S,$$

so  $\theta_{a,0} = \text{id}_S$ , meaning

$$x \cdot y = y \cdot x \cdot (e \circ \theta_{a,0}) = y \cdot x \cdot e = y \cdot x,$$

where the last equality follows by the fact that  $e$  is the unit for the multiplication on  $\pi_*(E)$ . An entirely analogous argument yields that  $\theta_{0,a} = \text{id}_S$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 0.6.** *Given some  $a \in A$ , the functors  $\Sigma^a$  and  $\Sigma^{-a}$  canonically form an adjoint equivalence of  $\mathcal{SH}$ .*

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*Proof.* Let  $X, Y \in \mathcal{SH}$ . By [1, Lemma 3.2], in order to show  $\Sigma^a$  and  $\Sigma^{-a}$  are adjoint equivalences, it suffices to construct natural isomorphisms  $\eta : \text{Id}_{\mathcal{SH}} \Rightarrow \Sigma^{-a} \circ \Sigma^a$  and  $\varepsilon : \Sigma^a \circ \Sigma^{-a} \Rightarrow \text{Id}_{\mathcal{SH}}$  such that for all  $X$  in  $\mathcal{SH}$ , the following diagram commutes:

$$(1) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \Sigma^a X & \xrightarrow{(\Sigma^a \eta)_X} & \Sigma^a \Sigma^{-a} \Sigma^a X \\ & \searrow & \downarrow (\varepsilon \Sigma^a)_X \\ & & \Sigma^a X \end{array}$$

Given an object  $X$  in  $\mathcal{SH}$ , define  $\eta_X : X \rightarrow \Sigma^{-a} \Sigma^a X = S^{-a} \otimes S^a \otimes X$  to be the composition

$$X \xrightarrow{\lambda_X^{-1}} S \otimes X \xrightarrow{\phi_{-a,a} \otimes X} S^{-a} \otimes S^a \otimes X.$$

Clearly this is an isomorphism. To see this is natural, let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  in  $\mathcal{SH}$ . Then consider the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} X & \xrightarrow{\lambda_X^{-1}} & S \otimes X & \xrightarrow{\phi_{-a,a} \otimes X} & S^{-a} \otimes S^a \otimes X \\ f \downarrow & & \downarrow S \otimes f & & \downarrow S^{-a} \otimes S^a \otimes f \\ Y & \xrightarrow{\lambda_Y^{-1}} & S \otimes Y & \xrightarrow{\phi_{-a,a} \otimes Y} & S^{-a} \otimes S^a \otimes Y \end{array}$$

The left square commutes by naturality of  $\lambda$ . The right square commutes by functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ . Hence  $\eta$  is indeed a natural isomorphism.

On the other hand, given an object  $X$  in  $\mathcal{SH}$ , define  $\varepsilon_X : \Sigma^a \Sigma^{-a} X = S^a \otimes S^{-a} \otimes X \rightarrow X$  to be the composition

$$S^a \otimes S^{-a} \otimes X \xrightarrow{\phi_{a,-a}^{-1}} S \otimes X \xrightarrow{\lambda_X} X.$$

Clearly this is an isomorphism. To see it is natural, let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  in  $\mathcal{SH}$ . Then consider the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} S^a \otimes S^{-a} \otimes X & \xrightarrow{\phi_{a,-a}^{-1} \otimes X} & S \otimes X & \xrightarrow{\lambda_X} & X \\ S^a \otimes S^{-a} \otimes f \downarrow & & S \otimes f \downarrow & & \downarrow f \\ S^a \otimes S^{-a} \otimes Y & \xrightarrow{\phi_{a,-a}^{-1} \otimes Y} & S \otimes Y & \xrightarrow{\lambda_Y} & Y \end{array}$$

The left square commutes by functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ . The right square commutes by naturality of  $\lambda$ . Hence,  $\varepsilon$  is natural.

Finally, let  $X$  be an object in  $\mathcal{SH}$ . Unravelling definitions, by functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ , in order to show that diagram (1) commutes, it suffices to show the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 S^a \otimes X & \xrightarrow{S^a \otimes \lambda_X^{-1}} & S^a \otimes S \otimes X & \xrightarrow{S^a \otimes \phi_{-a,a} \otimes X} & S^a \otimes S^{-a} \otimes S^a \otimes X \\
 & \searrow & \uparrow \phi_{a,0} \otimes X & & \downarrow \phi_{a,-a}^{-1} \otimes S^a \otimes X \\
 & & & & S \otimes S^a \otimes X \\
 & & & & \downarrow \lambda_{S^a \otimes X} \\
 & & & & S^a \otimes X
 \end{array}$$

First, note that by the coherence theorem for monoidal categories,  $\lambda_{S^a \otimes X} = \lambda_{S^a} \otimes X^1$ . And furthermore, recall  $\lambda_{S^a} = \phi_{0,a}^{-1}$ . Hence, the right triangle is precisely the diagram obtained by applying  $- \otimes X$  to the coherence diagram for the  $\phi_{a,b}$ 's, so it commutes. Commutativity of the left triangle follows by the coherence theorem for monoidal categories and the fact that  $\phi_{a,0} = \lambda_{S^a}^{-1}$ . Hence, the diagram commutes, so  $(\Sigma^a, \Sigma^{-a})$  forms an adjoint equivalence of  $\mathcal{SH}$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 0.7.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be objects in  $\mathcal{SH}$ . Then the pairing*

$$\pi_*(X) \times \pi_*(Y) \rightarrow \pi_*(X \otimes Y)$$

*sending  $x : S^a \rightarrow X$  and  $y : S^b \rightarrow Y$  to the composition*

$$S^{a+b} \xrightarrow{\phi_{a,b}} S^a \otimes S^b \xrightarrow{x \otimes y} X \otimes Y$$

*is additive in each argument.*

*Proof.* Let  $a, b \in A$ , and let  $x_1, x_2 : S^a \rightarrow X$  and  $y : S^b \rightarrow Y$ . Then consider the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 S^{a+b} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & S^a \otimes S^b & \xrightarrow{\Delta \otimes S^b} & (S^a \oplus S^a) \otimes S^b \\
 & & \downarrow \Delta & \swarrow \cong & \downarrow (x_1 \oplus x_2) \otimes y \\
 & & (S^a \otimes S^b) \oplus (S^a \otimes S^b) & & (X \oplus X) \otimes Y \\
 & & \downarrow (x_1 \otimes y) \oplus (x_2 \otimes y) & \swarrow \cong & \downarrow \nabla \otimes Y \\
 & & (X \otimes Y) \oplus (X \otimes Y) & \xrightarrow{\nabla} & X \otimes Y
 \end{array}$$

The isomorphisms are given by the fact that  $- \otimes -$  is additive in each variable. Both triangles and the parallelogram commute since  $- \otimes -$  is additive. By functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ , the top composition is  $(x_1 + x_2) \cdot y$  and the bottom composition is  $x_1 \cdot y + x_2 \cdot y$ , so they are equal, as desired. An entirely analogous argument yields that  $x \cdot (y_1 + y_2) = x \cdot y_1 + x \cdot y_2$  for  $x \in \pi_*(X)$  and  $y_1, y_2 \in \pi_*(Y)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 0.8** ([2, Proposition 5.11]). *Let  $(E, \mu, e)$  be a monoid object in  $\mathcal{SH}$ . Then  $E_*(-)$  is a functor from  $\mathcal{SH}$  to left  $A$ -graded  $\pi_*(E)$ -modules, where given some  $X$  in  $\mathcal{SH}$ ,  $E_*(X)$  may be endowed with the structure of a left  $A$ -graded  $\pi_*(E)$ -module via the map*

$$\pi_*(E) \times E_*(X) \rightarrow E_*(X)$$

*which given  $a, b \in A$ , sends  $x : S^a \rightarrow E$  and  $y : S^b \rightarrow E \otimes X$  to the composition*

$$x \cdot y : S^{a+b} \cong S^a \otimes S^b \xrightarrow{x \otimes y} E \otimes (E \otimes X) \cong (E \otimes E) \otimes X \xrightarrow{\mu \otimes X} E \otimes X.$$

<sup>1</sup>Technically, this equality only holds up to composition with an associator, but we are ignoring such issues.

Similarly, the assignment  $X \mapsto X_*(E)$  is a functor from  $\mathcal{SH}$  to right  $A$ -graded  $\pi_*(E)$ -modules, where the structure map

$$X_*(E) \times \pi_*(E) \rightarrow X_*(E)$$

sends  $x : S^a \rightarrow X \otimes E$  and  $y : S^b \rightarrow E$  to the composition

$$x \cdot y : S^{a+b} \cong S^a \otimes S^b \xrightarrow{x \otimes y} (X \otimes E) \otimes E \cong X \otimes (E \otimes E) \xrightarrow{X \otimes \mu} X \otimes E.$$

Finally,  $E_*(E)$  is a  $\pi_*(E)$ -bimodule, in the sense that the left and right actions of  $\pi_*(E)$  are compatible, so that given  $y, z \in \pi_*(E)$  and  $x \in E_*(E)$ ,  $y \cdot (x \cdot z) = (y \cdot x) \cdot z$ .

*Proof.* First we show that the map  $\pi_*(E) \times E_*(X) \rightarrow E_*(X)$  endows  $E_*(X)$  with the structure of a left  $\pi_*(E)$ -module. Let  $a, b, c \in A$  and  $x, x' : S^a \rightarrow E \otimes X$ ,  $y : S^b \rightarrow E$ , and  $z, z' : S^c \rightarrow E$ . Then we wish to show that:

- (1)  $y \cdot (x + x') = y \cdot x + y \cdot x'$ ,
- (2)  $(z + z') \cdot x = z \cdot x + z' \cdot x$ ,
- (3)  $(zy) \cdot x = z \cdot (y \cdot x)$ ,
- (4)  $e \cdot x = x$ .

Axioms (1) and (2) follow by the fact that  $E_*(X) = \pi_*(E \otimes X)$  and **Proposition 0.7**. To see (3), consider the diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} S^{a+b+c} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & S^c \otimes S^b \otimes S^a & \xrightarrow{z \otimes y \otimes x} & E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X \\ & & & & \nearrow E \otimes \mu \otimes X \\ & & & & E \otimes E \otimes X \\ & & & & \downarrow \mu \otimes X \\ & & & & E \otimes X \\ & & & & \uparrow \mu \otimes X \\ & & & & E \otimes E \otimes X \\ & & & & \downarrow \mu \otimes E \otimes X \end{array}$$

It commutes by associativity of  $\mu$ . By functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ , the two outside compositions equal  $z \cdot (y \cdot x)$  on the top and  $(z \cdot y) \cdot x$  on the bottom. Hence, they are equal, as desired.

Next, to see (4), consider the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S^a & \xrightarrow{x} & E \otimes X \\ & \searrow x & \nearrow \\ & E \otimes X & \\ & \downarrow e \otimes E \otimes X & \\ & E \otimes E \otimes X & \end{array}$$

$\downarrow \mu \otimes X$

The top triangle commutes by definition. The left triangle commutes by functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ . The right triangle commutes by unitality of  $\mu$ . The top composition is  $x$  while the bottom is  $e \cdot x$ , thus they are necessarily equal since the diagram commutes.

Thus, we have shown that the indicated map does indeed endow  $E_*(X)$  with the structure of a left  $\pi_*(E)$ -module. It remains to show that  $E_*(-)$  sends maps in  $\mathcal{SH}$  to  $A$ -graded homomorphisms of left  $A$ -graded  $\pi_*(E)$ -modules. By definition, given  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  in  $\mathcal{SH}$ ,  $E_*(f)$  is the map which takes a class  $x : S^a \rightarrow E \otimes X$  to the composition

$$S^a \xrightarrow{x} E \otimes X \xrightarrow{E \otimes f} E \otimes Y.$$

To see this assignment is a homomorphism, suppose we are given some other  $x' : S^a \rightarrow E \otimes X$  and some scalar  $y : S^b \rightarrow E$ . Then we would like to show  $E_*(f)(x + x') = E_*(f)(x) + E_*(f)(x')$

and  $E_*(f)(y \cdot x) = y \cdot E_*(f)(x)$ . To see the former, consider the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 S^a & \xrightarrow{\Delta} S^a \oplus S^a & \xrightarrow{x \oplus x'} (E \otimes X) \oplus (E \otimes X) \\
 & & \searrow^{(E \otimes f) \oplus (E \otimes f)} (E \otimes Y) \oplus (E \otimes Y) \\
 & & \downarrow \nabla \\
 & & E \otimes Y \\
 & & \uparrow E \otimes f \\
 & & E \otimes X \\
 & \nearrow \nabla & \\
 & & (E \otimes X) \oplus (E \otimes X)
 \end{array}$$

It commutes by naturality of  $\nabla$  in an additive category. The top composition is  $E_*(f)(x) + E_*(f)(x')$ , while the bottom is  $E_*(f)(x+x')$ , so they are equal as desired. To see that  $E_*(f)(y \cdot x) = y \cdot E_*(f)(x)$ , consider the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 S^{a+b} & \xrightarrow{\phi_{b,a}} S^b \otimes S^a & \xrightarrow{y \otimes x} E \otimes E \otimes X & \xrightarrow{E \otimes E \otimes f} E \otimes E \otimes Y \\
 & & \downarrow \mu \otimes X & & \downarrow \mu \otimes Y \\
 & & E \otimes X & \xrightarrow{E \otimes f} & E \otimes Y
 \end{array}$$

It commutes by functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ . The top composition is  $E_*(f)(y \cdot x)$ , while the bottom composition is  $y \cdot E_*(f)(x)$ , so they are equal, as desired.

Showing that  $X_*(E)$  has the structure of a right  $\pi_*(E)$ -module and that if  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a morphism in  $\mathcal{SH}$  then the map

$$X_*(E) = [S^*, X \otimes E] \xrightarrow{(f \otimes E)_*} [S^*, Y \otimes E] = Y_*(E)$$

is an  $A$ -graded homomorphism of right  $A$ -graded  $\pi_*(E)$ -modules is entirely analogous.

It remains to show that  $E_*(E)$  is a bimodule. Let  $x : S^a \rightarrow E$ ,  $y : S^b \rightarrow E \otimes E$ , and  $z : S^c \rightarrow E$ , and consider the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 S^{a+b+c} & \xrightarrow{\cong} S^a \otimes S^b \otimes S^c & \xrightarrow{x \otimes y \otimes z} E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes E & \xrightarrow{\mu \otimes \mu} E \otimes E \\
 & & \nearrow \mu \otimes E \otimes E & & \downarrow E \otimes \mu \\
 & & & & E \otimes E \\
 & & \searrow E \otimes E \otimes \mu & & \uparrow \mu \otimes E \\
 & & & & E \otimes E \otimes E
 \end{array}$$

Commutativity follows by functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ , which also tells us that the two outside compositions are  $(x \cdot y) \cdot z$  (on top) and  $x \cdot (y \cdot z)$  (on bottom). Hence they are equal, as desired.  $\square$

**Proposition 0.9** ([3, Proposition 2.2]). *Let  $(E, \mu, e)$  be a monoid object in  $\mathcal{SH}$  and let  $X$  be any object. Then the assignment*

$$E_*(E) \times E_*(X) \rightarrow E_*(E \otimes X)$$

*which sends  $x : S^a \rightarrow E \otimes E$  and  $y : S^b \rightarrow E \otimes X$  to the composition*

$$x \cdot y : S^{a+b} \cong S^a \otimes S^b \xrightarrow{x \otimes y} E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X \xrightarrow{E \otimes \mu \otimes X} E \otimes E \otimes X$$

*induces an  $A$ -graded homomorphism of left  $A$ -graded  $\pi_*(E)$ -modules*

$$E_*(E) \otimes_{\pi_*(E)} E_*(X) \rightarrow E_*(E \otimes X)$$

*(where here  $E_*(E)$  has a  $\pi_*(E)$ -bimodule structure and  $E_*(X)$  has a left  $\pi_*(E)$ -module structure as specified by [Proposition 0.8](#), so  $E_*(E) \otimes_{\pi_*(E)} E_*(X)$  is a left  $A$ -graded  $\pi_*(E)$ -module by ??). Furthermore, this homomorphism is natural in  $X$ .*

*Proof.* First, recall by definition of the tensor product, in order to show the assignment  $E_*(E) \times E_*(X) \rightarrow E_*(E \otimes X)$  induces a homomorphism  $E_*(E) \otimes_{\pi_*(E)} E_*(X) \rightarrow E_*(E \otimes X)$  of  $A$ -graded abelian groups, it suffices to show that the assignment is  $\pi_*(E)$ -balanced, i.e., that it is linear in each argument and satisfies  $xr \cdot y = x \cdot ry$  for  $x \in E_*(E)$ ,  $y \in E_*(X)$ , and  $r \in \pi_*(E)$ .

First, note that by the identifications  $E_*(E) = \pi_*(E \otimes E)$ ,  $E_*(X) = \pi_*(E \otimes X)$ , and  $E_*(E \otimes X) = \pi_*(E \otimes E \otimes X)$ , and **Proposition 0.7**, it is straightforward to see that the assignment commutes with addition of maps in each argument. Now, let  $a, b, c \in A$ ,  $x : S^a \rightarrow E \otimes E$ ,  $y : S^b \rightarrow E \otimes X$ , and  $z : S^c \rightarrow E$ . Then we wish to show  $xz \cdot y = x \cdot zy$ . Consider the following diagram (where here we are passing to a permutative category):

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & & E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X & \\
 & & E \otimes \mu \otimes E \otimes X & \nearrow & \downarrow E \otimes \mu \otimes X \\
 S^{a+b+c} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & S^a \otimes S^c \otimes S^b & \xrightarrow{x \otimes z \otimes y} & E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X \\
 & & E \otimes E \otimes \mu \otimes X & \searrow & \uparrow E \otimes \mu \otimes X \\
 & & & E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X & 
 \end{array}$$

It commutes by associativity of  $\mu$ . By functoriality of  $-\otimes-$ , the top composition is given by  $(xz) \cdot y$  and the bottom composition is  $x \cdot (zy)$ , so we have they are equal, as desired. Thus, since the map  $E_*(E) \times E_*(X) \rightarrow E_*(E \otimes X)$  is  $\pi_*(E)$ -balanced, we have that it induces a homomorphism of abelian groups. Furthermore, by ?? it is an  $A$ -graded homomorphism of  $A$ -graded abelian groups.

In order to see this map is furthermore a homomorphism of left  $\pi_*(E)$ -modules, we must show that  $z(x \cdot y) = zx \cdot y$ , where  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  are defined as above. Now consider the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & & E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X & \\
 & & \mu \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X & \nearrow & \downarrow E \otimes \mu \otimes X \\
 S^{a+b+c} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & S^c \otimes S^a \otimes S^b & \xrightarrow{z \otimes x \otimes y} & E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X \\
 & & E \otimes E \otimes \mu \otimes X & \searrow & \uparrow \mu \otimes E \otimes X \\
 & & & E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X & 
 \end{array}$$

Commutativity of the triangles is functoriality of  $-\otimes-$ . By functoriality of  $-\otimes-$ , the top composition is  $zx \cdot y$ , and the bottom composition is  $z(x \cdot y)$ . Hence they are equal, as desired, so that the map we have constructed

$$E_*(E) \otimes_{\pi_*(E)} E_*(X) \rightarrow E_*(E \otimes X)$$

is indeed an  $A$ -graded homomorphism of left  $A$ -graded  $\pi_*(E)$ -modules.

Next, we would like to show that this homomorphism is natural in  $X$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  in  $\mathcal{SH}$ . Then we would like to show the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 E_*(E) \otimes_{\pi_*(E)} E_*(X) & \xrightarrow{\Phi_X} & E_*(E \otimes X) \\
 E_*(E) \otimes_{\pi_*(E)} E_*(f) \downarrow & & \downarrow E_*(E \otimes f) \\
 E_*(E) \otimes_{\pi_*(E)} E_*(Y) & \xrightarrow{\Phi_Y} & E_*(E \otimes Y)
 \end{array}
 \tag{2}$$

As all the maps here are homomorphisms, it suffices to chase generators around the diagram. In particular, suppose we are given  $x : S^a \rightarrow E \otimes E$  and  $y : S^b \rightarrow E \otimes X$ , and consider the following diagram exhibiting the two possible ways to chase  $x \otimes y$  around the diagram (as usual, we are



passing to a permutative category):

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 S^{a+b} & \xrightarrow{\phi_{a,b}} & S^a \otimes S^b \xrightarrow{x \otimes y} E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X \xrightarrow{E \otimes \mu \otimes X} E \otimes E \otimes X \\
 & & \downarrow E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes f \quad \downarrow E \otimes E \otimes f \\
 & & E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes Y \xrightarrow{E \otimes \mu \otimes Y} E \otimes E \otimes Y
 \end{array}$$

This diagram commutes by functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ . Thus we have that diagram (2) does indeed commute, as desired.  $\square$

**Proposition 0.10.** *Let  $(E, \mu, e)$  be a flat monoid object in  $\mathcal{SH}$  (??) and let  $X$  be any cellular object in  $\mathcal{SH}$  (??). Then the natural homomorphism*

$$\Phi_X : E_*(E) \otimes E_*(X) \rightarrow E_*(E \otimes X)$$

*given in Proposition 0.9 is an isomorphism of left  $\pi_*(E)$ -modules.*

*Proof.* It remains to show that if  $X$  is cellular and  $E$  is flat, then this map is an isomorphism. To start, let  $\mathcal{E}$  be the collection of objects  $X$  in  $\mathcal{SH}$  for which this map is an isomorphism. Then in order to show  $\mathcal{E}$  contains every cellular object, it suffices to show that  $\mathcal{E}$  satisfies the three conditions given for the class of cellular objects in ???. First, we need to show that  $\Phi$  is an isomorphism when  $X = S^a$  for some  $a \in A$ . Indeed, consider the map

$$\Psi : E_*(E \otimes S^a) \rightarrow E_*(E) \otimes_{\pi_*(E)} E_*(S^a)$$

which sends a class  $x : S^b \rightarrow E \otimes E \otimes S^a$  in  $E_b(E \otimes S^a)$  to the pure tensor  $\tilde{x} \otimes \tilde{e}$ , where  $\tilde{x} \in E_{b-a}(E)$  is the composition

$$S^{b-a} \cong S^b \otimes S^{-a} \xrightarrow{x \otimes S^{-a}} E \otimes E \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a} \xrightarrow{E \otimes E \otimes \phi_{a,-a}^{-1}} E \otimes E \otimes S \xrightarrow{E \otimes \rho_E} E \otimes E$$

and  $\tilde{e} \in E_a(S^a)$  is the composition

$$S^a \cong S \otimes S^a \xrightarrow{e \otimes S^a} E \otimes S^a.$$

First, note  $\Psi$  is an  $(A$ -graded) homomorphism of abelian groups: Given  $x, x' \in E_b(E \otimes S^a)$ , we would like to show that  $\tilde{x} \otimes \tilde{e} + \tilde{x}' \otimes \tilde{e} = \widetilde{x + x'} \otimes \tilde{e}$ . It suffices to show that  $\tilde{x} + \tilde{x}' = \widetilde{x + x'}$ . To see this, consider the following diagram (again, we are passing to a permutative category):

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 S^{b-a} & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & S^{b-a} \oplus S^{b-a} \\
 \phi_{b-a} \downarrow & & \downarrow \phi_{b,-a} \oplus \phi_{b,-a} \\
 S^b \otimes S^{-a} & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & (S^b \otimes S^{-a}) \oplus (S^b \otimes S^{-a}) \\
 \Delta \otimes S^{-a} \downarrow & \nearrow \cong & \downarrow (x \otimes S^{-a}) \oplus (x' \otimes S^{-a}) \\
 (S^b \oplus S^b) \otimes S^{-a} & & (E \otimes E \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a}) \oplus (E \otimes E \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a}) \\
 (x \oplus x') \otimes S^{-a} \downarrow & \nearrow \cong & \downarrow (E \otimes E \otimes \phi_{a,-a}^{-1}) \oplus (E \otimes E \otimes \phi_{a,-a}^{-1}) \\
 ((E \otimes E \otimes S^a) \oplus (E \otimes E \otimes S^a)) \otimes S^{-a} & \searrow \nabla & (E \otimes E) \oplus (E \otimes E) \\
 \nabla \otimes S^{-a} \downarrow & & \downarrow \nabla \\
 E \otimes E \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a} & \xrightarrow{E \otimes E \otimes \phi_{a,-a}^{-1}} & E \otimes E
 \end{array}$$

The top rectangle commutes by naturality of  $\Delta$  in an additive category. The bottom triangle commutes by naturality of  $\nabla$  in an additive category. Finally, the remaining regions of the diagram commute by additivity of  $- \otimes -$ . By functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ , it follows that the left

composition is  $\widetilde{x + x'}$  and the right composition is  $\widetilde{x} + \widetilde{x'}$ , so they are equal as desired. Thus  $\Psi$  is a homomorphism of abelian groups, as desired.

Now, we claim that  $\Psi$  is an inverse to  $\Phi$ , (which is enough to show  $\Phi$  is an isomorphism of left  $\pi_*(E)$ -modules). Since  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  are homomorphisms it suffices to check that they are inverses on generators. First, let  $x : S^b \rightarrow E \otimes E \otimes S^a$  in  $E_b(E \otimes S^a)$ . We would like to show that  $\Phi(\Psi(x)) = x$ . Consider the following diagram, where here we are passing to a permutative category:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 S^b & \xrightarrow{\cong} & S^b \otimes S^{-a} \otimes S^a & & \\
 \downarrow x & & \downarrow x \otimes S^{-a} \otimes S^a & \searrow x \otimes S^{-a} \otimes e \otimes S^a & \\
 & & E \otimes E \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a} \otimes S^a & \xrightarrow{E \otimes E \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a} \otimes e \otimes S^a} & E \otimes E \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a} \otimes E \otimes S^a \\
 & \nearrow E \otimes E \otimes S^a \otimes \phi_{-a,a} & \uparrow E \otimes E \otimes \phi_{a,-a} \otimes S^a & & \\
 E \otimes E \otimes S^a & \xrightarrow{E \otimes \mu \otimes S^a} & E \otimes E \otimes S^a & \xrightarrow{E \otimes E \otimes e \otimes S^a} & E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes S^a \\
 \uparrow E \otimes \mu \otimes S^a & & \downarrow E \otimes E \otimes e \otimes S^a & \nearrow E \otimes E \otimes \phi_{a,-a}^{-1} \otimes E \otimes S^a & \\
 E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes S^a & \xrightarrow{E \otimes E \otimes e \otimes S^a} & E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes S^a & & 
 \end{array}$$

The top left trapezoid commutes since the isomorphism  $S^b \xrightarrow{\cong} S^b \otimes S^{-a} \otimes S^a$  may be given as  $S^b \otimes \phi_{-a,a}$  (see ??), in which case the trapezoid commutes by functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ . The triangle below that commutes by coherence for the  $\phi_{a,b}$ 's. The triangle below that commutes by definition. The bottom left triangle commutes by unitality for  $\mu$ . The top right triangle commutes by functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ . Finally, the bottom right triangle commutes by functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ . It follows by unravelling definitions that the two outside compositions are  $x$  (on the left) and  $\Phi(\Psi(x))$  (on the right), so since the diagram commutes we indeed have  $\Phi(\Psi(x)) = x$ , as desired.

On the other hand, suppose we are given a homogeneous pure tensor  $x \otimes y$  in  $E_*(E) \otimes_{\pi_*(E)} E_*(S^a)$ , so  $x : S^b \rightarrow E \otimes E$  and  $y : S^c \rightarrow E \otimes S^a$  for some  $b, c \in A$ . Then we would like to show that  $\Psi(\Phi(x \otimes y)) = x \otimes y$ . Unravelling definitions,  $\Psi(\Phi(x \otimes y))$  is the homogeneous pure tensor  $\widetilde{xy} \otimes \widetilde{e}$ , where  $\widetilde{e} : S^a \rightarrow E \otimes S^a$  is defined above, and by functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ ,  $\widetilde{xy} : S^{b+c-a} \rightarrow E \otimes E$  is the composition

$$\begin{array}{c}
 S^{b+c-a} \\
 \downarrow \phi_{b+c,-a} \\
 S^{b+c} \otimes S^{-a} \\
 \downarrow \phi_{b,c} \otimes S^{-a} \\
 S^b \otimes S^c \otimes S^{-a} \\
 \downarrow x \otimes y \otimes S^{-a} \\
 E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a} \\
 \downarrow E \otimes \mu \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a} \\
 E \otimes E \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a} \\
 \downarrow E \otimes E \otimes \phi_{a,-a}^{-1} \\
 E \otimes E \otimes S \\
 \downarrow E \otimes \rho_E \\
 E \otimes E.
 \end{array}$$

In order to see  $x \otimes y = \widetilde{xy} \otimes \widetilde{e}$ , it suffices to show there exists some scalar  $r \in \pi_{c-a}(E)$  such that  $x \cdot r = \widetilde{xy}$  and  $r \cdot \widetilde{e} = y$ , where here  $\cdot$  denotes the right and left action of  $\pi_*(E)$  on  $E_*(E)$  and

$E_*(S^a)$ , respectively. Now, define  $r$  to be the composition

$$S^{c-a} \cong S^c \otimes S^{-a} \xrightarrow{y \otimes S^{-a}} E \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a} \xrightarrow{E \otimes \phi_{a,-a}^{-1}} E \otimes S \xrightarrow{\rho_E} E.$$

First, in order to see that  $x \cdot r = \widetilde{xy}$ , consider the following diagram, where here we are again passing to a permutative category:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} S^{b+c-a} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & S^b \otimes S^c \otimes S^{-a} & \xrightarrow{y \otimes S^{-a}} & E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a} & \xrightarrow{E \otimes \mu \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a}} & E \otimes E \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a} \\ & & & & \downarrow E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes \phi_{a,-a}^{-1} & \searrow E \otimes \mu \otimes \phi_{a,-a}^{-1} & \downarrow E \otimes E \otimes \phi_{a,-a}^{-1} \\ & & & & E \otimes E \otimes E & \xrightarrow{E \otimes \mu} & E \otimes E \end{array}$$

Commutativity is functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ , which also tells us that the two outside compositions are  $\widetilde{xy}$  (on top) and  $x \cdot r$  (on the bottom), so they are equal as desired. On the other hand, in order to see that  $r \cdot \tilde{e} = y$ , consider the following diagram (where here we have passed to a permutative category):

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S^c & \xrightarrow{\cong} & S^c \otimes S^{-a} \otimes S^a \\ \downarrow y & & \downarrow y \otimes S^{-a} \otimes e \otimes S^a \\ E \otimes S^a & \xleftarrow{E \otimes S^a \otimes \phi_{-a,a}^{-1}} & E \otimes S^a \otimes S^{-a} \otimes S^a \\ \uparrow \mu \otimes S^a & \searrow E \otimes e \otimes S^a & \downarrow E \otimes \phi_{a,-a}^{-1} \otimes E \otimes S^a \\ E \otimes E \otimes S^a & \xrightarrow{\quad\quad\quad} & E \otimes E \otimes S^a \end{array}$$

The top left triangle commutes since we may take the isomorphism  $S^c \xrightarrow{\cong} S^c \otimes S^{-a} \otimes S^a$  to be  $S^c \otimes \phi_{-a,a}$ , in which case commutativity of the triangle follows by functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ . Commutativity of the right triangle is also functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ . Commutativity of the bottom triangle is unitality of  $\mu$ . Finally, commutativity of the remaining middle 4-sided region is again functoriality of  $- \otimes -$ . It follows that  $y$  is equal to the outer composition, which is  $r \cdot \tilde{e}$ , as desired. Thus, we have shown that

$$\Psi(\Phi(x \otimes y)) = \widetilde{xy} \otimes \tilde{e} = (x \cdot r) \otimes \tilde{e} = x \otimes (r \cdot \tilde{e}) = x \otimes y,$$

as desired, so that for each  $a \in A$ , the object  $S^a$  belongs to the class  $\mathcal{E}$ .

Now, we would like to show that given a distinguished triangle

$$X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow{g} Z \xrightarrow{h} \Sigma X,$$

if two of three of the objects  $X$ ,  $Y$ , and  $Z$  belong to  $\mathcal{E}$ , then so does the third. Indeed, supposing this is true, note first of all that since  $\mathcal{SH}$  is tensor triangulated, by axiom TT3 (??), the following triangle is also distinguished:

$$E \otimes X \xrightarrow{E \otimes f} E \otimes Y \xrightarrow{E \otimes g} E \otimes Z \xrightarrow{E \otimes h} \Sigma(E \otimes X),$$

where here we are being abusive and writing  $E \otimes h$  for the composition

$$E \otimes X \xrightarrow{E \otimes h} E \otimes \Sigma X \xrightarrow{e_{E,X}} \Sigma(E \otimes X).$$

Thus, by ?? we get a long exact sequence of  $A$ -graded abelian groups

$$(3) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} \cdots & \longrightarrow & [\Sigma^{n+1}S^*, E \otimes Y] & \xrightarrow{(E \otimes g)_*} & [\Sigma^{n+1}S^*, E \otimes Z] & & \\ & & \searrow \partial & & \nearrow & & \\ [\Sigma^n S^*, E \otimes X] & \xleftarrow{(E \otimes f)_*} & [\Sigma^n S^*, E \otimes Y] & \xrightarrow{(E \otimes g)_*} & [\Sigma^n S^*, E \otimes Z] & & \\ & & \searrow \partial & & \nearrow & & \\ [\Sigma^{n-1}S^*, E \otimes X] & \xleftarrow{(E \otimes f)_*} & [\Sigma^{n-1}S^*, E \otimes Y] & \longrightarrow & \cdots & & \end{array}$$

where for  $n > 0$  we define  $\Sigma^n := (\Sigma)^n = (\Sigma^1)^n$  and  $\Sigma^{-n} = (\Sigma^{-1})^n$ ,  $\Sigma^0 = \text{Id}_{\mathcal{H}}$ , and the maps  $\partial$  are given by the compositions

$$[\Sigma^{n+1}S^*, E \otimes Z] \xrightarrow{(E \otimes h)_*} [\Sigma^{n+1}S^*, \Sigma(E \otimes X)] \cong [\Sigma^{-1}\Sigma^{n+1}S^*, E \otimes X] \cong [\Sigma^n S^*, E \otimes X]$$

(here we are using the fact that the pair  $(\Sigma^{-1}, \Sigma^1)$  forms an adjoint equivalence ([Proposition 0.6](#)) and the fact that  $\Sigma = \Sigma^1 = S^1 \otimes -$ ). Now, given some nonnegative integer  $n$ , we will write  $\mathbf{n}$  for the corresponding element in  $A$ , i.e.,  $\mathbf{0} = 0 \in A$ , and if  $n > 0$  then

$$\mathbf{n} = \overbrace{\mathbf{1} + \cdots + \mathbf{1}}^{n \text{ times}}.$$

Then note that  $\Sigma^0 S^* = S^*$  and for  $n > 0$  we have isomorphisms

$$\Sigma^n S^* = \overbrace{S^1 \otimes \cdots \otimes S^1}^{n \text{ times}} \otimes S^* \cong S^{*+\mathbf{n}}$$

and

$$\Sigma^{-n} S^* = \overbrace{S^{-1} \otimes \cdots \otimes S^{-1}}^{n \text{ times}} \otimes S^* \cong S^{*-\mathbf{n}},$$

where the isomorphisms are the unique ones obtained by composing products of copies of  $\phi_{a,b}$ 's, identities, associators, and their inverses (??). Thus for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have identifications  $[\Sigma^n S^*, E \otimes W] \cong [S^{*+\mathbf{n}}, E \otimes W] = E_{*+\mathbf{n}}(W)$ , and it is straightforward to check that these yield an isomorphism of long exact sequences between (3) and the following:

$$(4) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} \cdots & \longrightarrow & E_{*+\mathbf{n}+1}(Y) & \xrightarrow{g_*} & E_{*+\mathbf{n}+1}(Z) & & \\ & & \searrow \partial & & \nearrow & & \\ E_{*+1}(X) & \xleftarrow{f_*} & E_{*+1}(Y) & \xrightarrow{g_*} & E_{*+1}(Z) & & \\ & & \searrow \partial & & \nearrow & & \\ E_{*+\mathbf{n}-1}(X) & \xleftarrow{f_*} & E_{*+\mathbf{n}-1}(Y) & \longrightarrow & \cdots & & \end{array}$$

where here the maps  $\partial$  are the compositions

$$[S^{*+\mathbf{n}+1}, E \otimes Z] \xrightarrow{(E \otimes h)_*} [S^{*+\mathbf{n}+1}, \Sigma(E \otimes X)] \cong [\Sigma^{-1}S^{*+\mathbf{n}+1}, E \otimes X] \cong [S^{*+\mathbf{n}}, E \otimes X].$$

An entirely analogous argument applied to the distinguished triangle

$$E \otimes E \otimes X \xrightarrow{E \otimes E \otimes f} E \otimes E \otimes Y \xrightarrow{E \otimes E \otimes g} E \otimes E \otimes Z \xrightarrow{E \otimes E \otimes h} \Sigma(E \otimes E \otimes X)$$

yields a long exact sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & & \cdots & \longrightarrow & E_{*+n+1}(E \otimes Y) & \xrightarrow{(E \otimes g)_*} E_{*+n+1}(E \otimes Z) \\
 & & & & & \searrow \partial & \\
 (5) & E_{*+n+1}(E \otimes X) & \xleftarrow{(E \otimes f)_*} & E_{*+n+1}(E \otimes Y) & \xrightarrow{(E \otimes g)_*} & E_{*+n+1}(E \otimes Z) & \\
 & & & \searrow \partial & & & \\
 & E_{*+n-1}(E \otimes X) & \xleftarrow{(E \otimes f)_*} & E_{*+n-1}(E \otimes Y) & \longrightarrow & \cdots & 
 \end{array}$$

Now, we may apply the functor  $E_*(E) \otimes_{\pi_*(E)} -$  (which is exact since we are assuming  $E_*(E)$  is a flat right  $\pi_*(E)$ -module) to the long exact sequence (4), and we further get the following long exact sequence of  $A$ -graded left  $\pi_*(E)$ -modules:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & & \cdots & \longrightarrow & L_{*+n+1}^E(Y) & \xrightarrow{L_{*+n+1}^E(g)} L_{*+n+1}^E(Z) \\
 & & & & & \searrow E_*(E) \otimes \partial & \\
 (6) & L_{*+n}^E(X) & \xleftarrow{L_{*+n}^E(f)} & L_{*+n}^E(Y) & \xrightarrow{L_{*+n}^E(g)} & L_{*+n}^E(Z) & \\
 & & & \searrow E_*(E) \otimes \partial & & & \\
 & L_{*+n-1}^E(X) & \xleftarrow{L_{*+n-1}^E(f)} & L_{*+n-1}^E(Y) & \longrightarrow & \cdots & 
 \end{array}$$

where here  $L_*^E(-)$  is shorthand for the functor  $X \mapsto E_*(E) \otimes_{\pi_*(E)} E_*(X)$ . Now, we claim that the natural map  $\Phi : L_*^E(X) \rightarrow E_*(E \otimes X)$  yields a chain map between (6) and (5). Since  $\Phi$  is natural, we know that the following commutes for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 L_{*+n}^E(X) & \xrightarrow{L_{*+n}^E(f)} & L_{*+n}^E(Y) & \xrightarrow{L_{*+n}^E(g)} & L_{*+n}^E(Z) \\
 \Phi_X \downarrow & & \Phi_Y \downarrow & & \Phi_Z \downarrow \\
 E_{*+n}(E \otimes X) & \xrightarrow{(E \otimes f)_*} & E_{*+n}(E \otimes Y) & \xrightarrow{(E \otimes g)_*} & E_{*+n}(E \otimes Z)
 \end{array}$$

Thus it remains to show that the following diagram commutes for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 L_{*+n+1}^E(Z) & \xrightarrow{E_*(E) \otimes \partial} & L_{*+n}^E(X) \\
 \Phi_Z \downarrow & & \downarrow \Phi_X \\
 E_{*+n+1}(E \otimes Z) & \xrightarrow{\partial} & E_{*+n}(E \otimes X)
 \end{array}$$

Let's chase a generator around, so suppose we are given a homogeneous pure tensor  $x \otimes y$  in  $L_{*+n}^E(Z) = E_*(E) \otimes_{\pi_*(E)} E_{*+n+1}(Z)$ , so  $x$  and  $y$  are maps  $S^a \rightarrow E \otimes E$  and  $S^{b+n+1} \rightarrow E \otimes Z$ , respectively, for some  $a, b \in A$ . Then unravelling definitions, chasing  $x \otimes y$  around the diagram

yields the following two compositions:

$$\begin{array}{c}
S^{a+b+n} \\
\downarrow \phi_{-1, a+b+n+1} \\
\Sigma^{-1}(S^{a+b+n+1}) \\
\downarrow \Sigma^{-1}\phi_{a, b+n+1} \\
\Sigma^{-1}(S^a \otimes S^{b+n+1}) \\
\downarrow \Sigma^{-1}(x \otimes y) \\
\Sigma^{-1}(E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes Z) \\
\downarrow \Sigma^{-1}(E \otimes \mu \otimes Z) \\
\Sigma^{-1}(E \otimes E \otimes Z) \\
\downarrow \Sigma^{-1}(E \otimes E \otimes h) \\
\Sigma^{-1}(E \otimes E \otimes \Sigma X) \\
\downarrow \Sigma^{-1}(e_{E \otimes E, X}) \\
\Sigma^{-1}(\Sigma(E \otimes E \otimes X)) \\
\downarrow \phi_{-1, 1} E \otimes E \otimes X \\
S \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X \\
\downarrow \lambda_{E \otimes E \otimes X} \\
E \otimes E \otimes X
\end{array}
\qquad
\begin{array}{c}
S^{a+b+n} \\
\downarrow \phi_{a, b+n} \\
S^a \otimes S^{b+n} \\
\downarrow S^a \otimes \phi_{-1, b+n+1} \\
S^a \otimes \Sigma^{-1}S^{b+n+1} \\
\downarrow x \otimes y \\
E \otimes E \otimes \Sigma^{-1}(E \otimes Z) \\
\downarrow E \otimes E \otimes \Sigma^{-1}(E \otimes h) \\
E \otimes E \otimes \Sigma^{-1}(E \otimes \Sigma X) \\
\downarrow E \otimes E \otimes \Sigma^{-1}(e_{E, X}) \\
E \otimes E \otimes \Sigma^{-1}(\Sigma(E \otimes X)) \\
\downarrow E \otimes E \otimes \phi_{-1, 1}^{-1} \\
E \otimes E \otimes S \otimes E \otimes X \\
\downarrow E \otimes E \otimes \lambda_{E \otimes X} \\
E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X \\
\downarrow E \otimes \mu \otimes X \\
E \otimes E \otimes X
\end{array}$$

(left is bottom, right is top). Now we pass to a permutative category, and consider the following diagram: **I'm stuck here, I don't know how to show these two compositions are equal.**

Assuming two out of three of the objects  $X$ ,  $Y$ , and  $Z$  belong to  $\mathcal{E}$ , by the five lemma applied to the above diagram, it follows that the third object belongs to  $\mathcal{E}$  as well.

Finally, it remains to show that  $\mathcal{E}$  is closed under taking arbitrary direct sums. Let  $\{X_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a family of objects in  $\mathcal{E}$  indexed by some set  $I$ . Then note by definition, since direct sums are limits, we have that for any  $W$  in  $S\mathcal{H}$  that

$$\left[ W, \bigoplus_{i \in I} X_i \right] \cong \bigoplus_{i \in I} [W, X_i],$$

and furthermore this isomorphism is natural in  $W$ . Now let  $X = \bigoplus_i X_i$ , and consider the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
[S^*, E \otimes E] \otimes [S^*, E \otimes X] & \xrightarrow{\cong} & [S^*, E \otimes E], [S^*, \bigoplus_i E \otimes X_i] & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \bigoplus ([S^*, E \otimes E] \otimes [S^*, E \otimes X_i]) \\
\downarrow - \otimes - & & \downarrow - \otimes - & & \downarrow \bigoplus_i (- \otimes -) \\
[S^* \otimes S^*, E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X] & \xrightarrow{\cong} & [S^* \otimes S^*, \bigoplus_i E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X_i] & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \bigoplus_i [S^* \otimes S^*, E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X_i] \\
\downarrow (\phi_{*, *})^* & & \downarrow (\phi_{*, *})^* & & \downarrow \bigoplus_i (\phi_{*, *})^* \\
[S^{*++}, E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X] & \xrightarrow{\cong} & [S^{*++}, \bigoplus_i E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X_i] & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \bigoplus_i [S^{*++}, E \otimes E \otimes E \otimes X_i] \\
\downarrow (E \otimes \mu \otimes X)_* & & \downarrow (E \otimes \mu \otimes X)_* & & \downarrow \bigoplus_i (E \otimes \mu \otimes X_i)_* \\
[S^{*++}, E \otimes E \otimes X] & \xrightarrow{\cong} & [S^{*++}, \bigoplus_i E \otimes E \otimes X_i] & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \bigoplus_i [S^{*++}, E \otimes E \otimes X_i]
\end{array}$$

The left squares commute by additivity of  $- \otimes -$ . The right squares commute by naturality of the isomorphisms given above. Since each  $X_i$  belongs to  $\mathcal{E}$ , the right vertical composition is an isomorphism, so that the left vertical composition is also an isomorphism, as desired.

To recap, we have shown that the collection of objects  $\mathcal{E}$  for which  $\Phi_X : E_*(E) \otimes_{\pi_*(E)} E_*(X) \rightarrow E_*(E \otimes X)$  is an isomorphism satisfies the conditions outlined in ?? . Hence,  $\mathcal{E}$  contains every cellular object, as desired. □

where did I  
use cellularity  
of  $E$ ?

In the following definition, let  $\varepsilon : E_*(E) \rightarrow \pi_*(E)$  be the map which sends some  $\alpha : S^a \rightarrow E \otimes E$  to the composition

$$S^a \xrightarrow{\alpha} E \otimes E \xrightarrow{\mu} E.$$

Also define  $\Psi : E_*(E) \rightarrow E_*(E) \otimes_{\pi_*(E)} E_*(E)$  to be the map which factors as

$$E_*(E) \rightarrow E_*(E \otimes E) \xrightarrow{\cong} E_*(E) \otimes_{\pi_*(E)} E_*(E)$$

where the second arrow is the isomorphism prescribed by [Proposition 0.9](#), and the first arrow sends a class  $\alpha : S^a \rightarrow E \otimes E$  to the composition

$$S^a \xrightarrow{\alpha} E \otimes E \cong E \otimes S \otimes E \xrightarrow{E \otimes e \otimes E} E \otimes E \otimes E.$$

**Lemma 0.11** ([3, Proposition 2.30, 2.33]). *Let  $E$  be a flat commutative ring spectrum, and let  $X$  and  $Y$  be spectra such that  $E_{**}(X)$  is a projective module over  $\pi_{**}(E)$ . Then for all  $s \geq 0$  and  $t, w \in \mathbb{Z}$ , there is an isomorphism*

$$\Phi : [X, E \wedge Y]_{t,w} \rightarrow \mathrm{Hom}_{E_{**}(E)}^{t,w}(E_{**}(X), E_{**}(E \wedge Y)),$$

obtained by sending a class  $f : S^{t,w} \wedge X \rightarrow E \wedge Y$  in  $[X, E \wedge Y]_{t,w}$  to the map

$$\Phi_f : E_{*,*}(X) \rightarrow E_{*+t,*+w}(X \wedge Y)$$

sending

$$[S^{a,b} \xrightarrow{g} E \wedge X] \mapsto [S^{a+t,b+w} \cong S^{a,b} \wedge S^{t,w} \xrightarrow{g \wedge S^{t,w}} E \wedge X \wedge S^{t,w} \cong E \wedge S^{t,w} \wedge X \xrightarrow{E \wedge f} E \wedge E \wedge Y].$$

*Proof.* Let  $f : S^{t,w} \wedge X \rightarrow E \wedge Y$ . First we want to show that  $\Phi_f$  is actually an  $E_{**}(E)$ -comodule homomorphism. □

finish