

MATH 695

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The  $\infty$ -category of spectra

category with topology on morphism set - topological category

May spectra:  $\mathcal{S} = (Z_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0}$  of based spaces  $\leftarrow$  compactly generated weakly Hausdorff

$$S_n: Z_n \xrightarrow{\sim} \Omega Z_{n+1}$$

Morphisms:  $f: Z \rightarrow Z'$  are tuples of based continuous maps  $f_n: Z_n \rightarrow Z'_n$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Z_n & \xrightarrow{f_n} & Z'_n \\ \downarrow S_n & & \downarrow S_n \\ \Omega Z_{n+1} & \xrightarrow{\Omega f_{n+1}} & \Omega Z'_{n+1} \end{array}$$

Pic - spectra : same definition (objects and morphisms)  
 except omit the condition that  $\mathcal{E}_n$  be homeomorphisms.

Forgetful functor :  $\Pi Sp \rightarrow \text{Pic} - Sp$   
 has a left adjoint  $L : \text{Pic} - Sp \rightarrow Sp$  (spectrification)

a general theorem  
 of Fegd and Kelly  
 LNM 1213  
 (Lewy May - Steinberger)  
 compact Lie group  
 equivariant

Remark :  $Sp$  is equivalent to the category of  
 $(\mathbb{Z}_n)_{n \in Q}$  where  $Q \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$  is any cofinal set with respect to  $\leq$   
 (contains arbitrarily large elements)

If  $n'$  is the successor of  $n$  in  $Q$

$$\mathcal{S}_{n,n'} : \mathbb{Z}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^{n'-n} \mathbb{Z}_{n'}$$

(fill in intermediate  $\mathbb{Z}_{n''}$  by taking  
 $n < n'' < n'$  by taking  $\mathcal{S}^{n'-n''} \mathbb{Z}_{n''}$ )

For  $\text{Pre-}\mathcal{S}_p$ , these categories are not equivalent, we have categories  $\text{Pre-}\mathcal{S}_p^Q$ , specifications  $L_Q$  on them.

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$\text{Pre-}\mathcal{S}_p^Q$  have limits and colimits level-wise,  
 $\mathcal{S}_p$  also have limits and colimits. limits are done level-wise,  
 colimits are done level-wise and then applying specification  $L$ .

this leads only to a pre-spec

Example: There is a functor  $\Omega: \mathcal{S}_p \rightarrow \text{Band}$ . This has a left adjoint

$$(Z_n) \mapsto Z_0$$

$\Omega^{\infty}: \text{Band} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_p: X \mapsto \text{prespectrum } D = (D_n) \quad D_n = \Omega^n X$

$\Omega_n$  adjoint to

$$\Omega(\Omega^n X) \cong \Omega^{n+1} X$$

$$\Omega^{\infty} X := L D.$$



Note: Spectra have a shift functor  $[k]$

$$\mathbb{Z} = (\mathbb{Z}_n)$$

$$\mathbb{Z}[k]_n = (\mathbb{Z}_{n-k})$$

This is an equivalence of categories.

If  $X$  is a based space,  $\mathbb{Z}$  is a spectrum then  $(F(X, \mathbb{Z}))_n = F(X, \mathbb{Z}_n)$

$\uparrow$   
based maps

(Steenrod: A convenient category of topological spaces,  $\mathbf{MMJ}$ )

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ & \mathbb{Q}^{\text{pro}} & \mathbb{Q}^{\text{pro}} & \mathbb{Q}^{\text{pro}} \\ & \mathbb{S}^1 & \mathbb{S}^1 & \mathbb{S}^1 \\ & \mathbb{Z} & \mathbb{Z} & \mathbb{Z} \\ \rightarrow 0 & \mathbb{Z} & \mathbb{Z} & \mathbb{Z} \\ & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{array}$$

$$[\mathbb{S}^1, H\mathbb{Z}(1)]$$

$$= [\mathbb{S}^0, H\mathbb{Z}]$$

$$H\mathbb{Z}$$

$$H\mathbb{Z}(1)$$

Thus has a left adjoint:  $X$  based space  $Z = (z_n)$  spectrum

$$X \wedge Z = LP$$

$$D_n = X \wedge z_n.$$

We can also define, for a spectrum  $Z = (z_n)$ ,  $\Omega Z = F(S^1, Z)$

$$\Sigma Z = S^1 \wedge Z.$$

It is not known whether  $\Omega Z \stackrel{?}{\cong} Z[-1]$ ,  $\Sigma Z \stackrel{?}{\cong} Z[1]$ .

The "obvious proof" (wrong) that  $\Omega Z = Z[-1]$  leads to a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} z_n & \rightarrow & \Omega z_{n+1} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \Omega z_{n+1} & \rightarrow & \Omega \Omega z_{n+1} \end{array}$$

the diagram fails to commute due to the width.

Homotopy of spectra:  $Z, T$  are spectra:  $\left| \begin{array}{l} S^0 \wedge Z \cong Z \\ h: [0,1]_+ \wedge Z \rightarrow T \\ 0,1: S^0 \rightarrow [0,1]_+ \end{array} \right.$

$$S^m, m \in \mathbb{Z} : \quad \Sigma^\infty S^m [-k] \quad m-k = n$$

HW ① Prove that up to  $\cong$  of spectra, the definition of  $S^u$  does not depend on  $m, k$ .

② Prove that  $\Sigma^\infty$  (as defined) is left adjoint to  $\Omega^\infty$ .

(Due Mon 11/28.)

We define, for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and a spectrum  $Z$ ,

$$\pi_n Z := [S^n, Z]$$

$\nearrow$  spectral sphere  
isomorphically abelian groups

$\nwarrow$  homotopy classes of morphisms  
(We have a category  $hSp$   
Spct, homotopy classes  
of morphisms)

$$\pi_{n+m}(Z_k) \quad n \sim k = m.$$

An equivalence of spectra is a morphism  $f: Z \rightarrow T$  which  
induces an  $\cong$  on  $\pi_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Using a spectral version of HBLP:

Theorem:  $hSp$  has co-localization (with respect to equivalence) with respect to a certain class of cell spectra.

Therefore, the derived category  $DSp$  exists (the stable homotopy category).

Theorem:  $\Omega$  preserves equivalences,  $D\Omega$ ,  $L\Omega : DSp \rightarrow DSp$  are equivalences of categories.   
 *total derived functor*