

Lectures next week

- Monday - Showman on 2, 2-2, 4
- Wednesday - Yixin on 2.5-2, 7
- Thursday - Ugur on 2.8-2, 11

Some useful categories

Top = category of compactly generated weak Hausdorff spaces

\mathcal{T} = category pointed spaces as above

G_1 = finite gp

\mathcal{T}^{G_1} and \mathcal{T}_{G_1} both have pointed G_1 -spaces as objects

In \mathcal{T}^{G_1} the morphisms are all equivariant continuous pointed maps.

Notation For a category \mathcal{C} with objects X and Y ,

$\mathcal{C}(X, Y)$ = set of morphisms $X \rightarrow Y$

$\mathcal{T}^{G_1}(X, Y)$ has a natural topology, i.e. it is an object in \mathcal{T}

In \mathcal{T}_{G_1} , all cont. pointed maps are morphisms $\mathcal{T}_{G_1}(X, Y)$ is a G_1 -space

i.e. for $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$ and $\gamma \in G_1$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \gamma \downarrow & & \downarrow \gamma \\ X & \xrightarrow{f} & Y \end{array} \leftarrow \text{need not commute}$$

We define $\gamma(f) = \gamma^{-1} \circ f \circ \gamma$

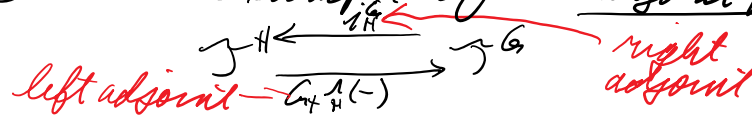
Recall for $H \subset G_1$ and an H -space X , we can form a G_1 -space

$G_1 \rtimes_H X$. For a G_1 -space Y we have

① $\mathcal{T}^{G_1}(G_1 \rtimes_H X, Y) \cong \mathcal{T}^H(X, i_H^{G_1} Y)$

where $i_H^{G_1}: \mathcal{T}^H \rightarrow \mathcal{T}^{G_1}$ is the forgetful functor. Note that the ordinary space underlying $G_1 \rtimes_H X$ is $\bigvee_{[G_1/H]} X$

① is an example of an adjoint functor



Notation: Given categories + functors

$$\mathcal{C} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{F} \\ \xleftarrow{G} \end{array} \mathcal{D}$$

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such that for objects X in \mathcal{C} and Y in \mathcal{D} ,

$$\mathcal{C}(X, G(Y)) \cong \mathcal{D}(F(X), Y)$$

we say they are adjoint

$F \dashv G$ \dashv

We can do similar things in the (yet to be defined) category of spectra $\mathcal{S}_G, \mathcal{S}_G$.

The star of our show

$MU_{\mathbb{R}}$, a C_2 -spectrum

MU = complex cobordism spectrum

$U(n)$ = n -dimensional unitary gp

$BU(n)$ = classifying space, which can be described in terms of complex Grassmannians

It has a C^n -bundle Σ_n with Thom space $MU(n)$.

Def (original) A spectrum E is a

a collection of spaces E_n

and maps $\Sigma E_n \rightarrow E_{n+1}$

A map of spectra $E \rightarrow F$ is

a collection of maps $f_n: E_n \rightarrow F_n$

such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Sigma E_n & \xrightarrow{\epsilon} & E_{n+1} \\ f_n \downarrow & & \downarrow f_{n+1} \\ \Sigma F_n & \xrightarrow{\epsilon} & F_{n+1} \end{array}$$

$$\pi_k E = \varinjlim_n \pi_{n+k} E_n$$

f is weak equivalence of spectra if it induces iso $\pi_k E \rightarrow \pi_k F$.

The spectrum MU is defined by

$$MU_n = MU(n)$$

$$MU_{2^{n+1}} = \sum MU(2^n)$$

The map $U(2^n) \hookrightarrow U(2^{n+1})$ leads to
 $S^2 \wedge MU(2^n) = \sum^2 MU(2^n) \rightarrow MU(2^{n+1})$.

We can define an action of C_2 on the spaces $U(n)$, $BU(n)$ and $MU(n)$ in terms of complex conjugation.

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The resulting C_2 -spectrum is called $MU_{\mathbb{R}}$.

Recall we had a second functor

$$Y^H \longrightarrow Y^G$$

$$X \longrightarrow \text{Map}^H(G_+, X)$$

We get a space underlain by

$$X^{\wedge_{G/H}}$$

On the spectrum level we get the norm functor

$$N_H^G : S^H \longrightarrow S^G$$

e.g. $H = C_2$, $G = C_8$ consider

$$N_{C_2}^{C_8}(MU_{\mathbb{R}})$$

Tentative definition of a G -spectrum

We want a collection of G -spaces

$\{E_V\}$ where V is a finite dimensional vector space with orthogonal G -action. Suppose $V \subset W$

with orthogonal complement $W-V$.

We have structure maps

$$S^{W-V} \wedge E_V \longrightarrow E_W$$

S^{W-V} = one point compactification of $W-V$.

Back to $MU_{\mathbb{R}}$: $G = C_2$

Let σ be the sign rep of C_2

1 " trivial "
 1-dim

$\rho = H\sigma$ = regular rep of C_2

The regular rep ρ_n of a gp G_n is

$R[G] =$ real gp ring of G_n .

In $MU_{\mathbb{R}}$, $MU(n)$ is the space indexed by $n\rho \approx \mathbb{C}^n$. The others will be revealed later.

An example of a G_1 -spectrum:
the sphere spectrum S^{-0}

Let

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$$(S^{-0})_V = S^V = V \cup \{\infty\}$$

$$S^{W-V} \wedge S^V \longrightarrow S^W$$

given by the iso $W-V \oplus V \cong W$

Given a spectrum E and a space X ,
we define a spectrum $E \wedge X$ by

$$(E \wedge X)_V = E_V \wedge X.$$

e.g. $E = S^{-0}$ then $S^{-0} \wedge X$ is
also known as $\Sigma^\infty X$, the
suspension spectrum of the
space X .