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New proof of the decomposition theorem.

1. Let \mathbf{A} be a category with a internal product operation \otimes , supposed to be unitary, associative, and commutative and let

$$h: \mathbf{A} \rightarrow \text{Mod } A$$

be a tensor functor, i.e. there is given a natural transf.

$$\boxtimes: hX \otimes hY \longrightarrow h(X \otimes Y)$$

compatible with ~~the unit, the~~ associativity and the commutativity isomorphism in $\text{Mod } A$. ~~the~~

Let P be a quasi-bialgebra over A which acts on h in a fashion compatible with products. This means that there is given a natural transformation

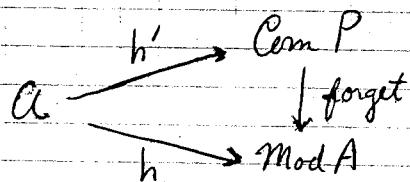
$$\Delta: hX \longrightarrow P \otimes hX$$

such that (i) hX is a P -comodule

$$(ii) \quad hX \otimes hY \xrightarrow{A \otimes \Delta} (P_2 \otimes hX) \otimes (P_2 \otimes hY) \xrightarrow{id \otimes id} (P_2 \otimes P_2) \otimes_2 hX \otimes hY$$
$$\downarrow \boxtimes \quad \downarrow \Delta \quad \downarrow \mu_P \otimes id$$
$$h(X \otimes Y) \xrightarrow{A} P_2 \otimes h(X \otimes Y) \xleftarrow{id \otimes \boxtimes} P_2 \otimes h(X \otimes Y)$$

is commutative for all X, Y .

~~the~~ A better way of expressing this is to say that we are given a tensor functor $h': \mathbf{A} \rightarrow \text{Com } P$ such that



is commutative.

Given a ring homomorphism $u: A \rightarrow R$ we get
~~a~~ \otimes -functor

$$\begin{aligned}
 h_u: A &\longrightarrow \text{Mod } R \\
 X &\longmapsto R_{[u]} \otimes_A hX.
 \end{aligned}$$

Also given $\theta: P \rightarrow R$ a ring homomorphism with
 ~~$\theta s = u$ and $\theta t = v$~~ we obtain a transf. of \otimes -funct

$$\bar{\theta}: h_u \longrightarrow h_v$$

defined to be the composition

$$R_{[u]} \otimes_A h(X) \xrightarrow{id \otimes A} R_{[u]} \otimes_A P \otimes_A hX \xrightarrow{(id, \theta) \otimes id} R_{[v]} \otimes_A hX.$$

Here (id, θ) is the ring homomorphism from $R_{[u]} \otimes_A P$ to $R_{[v]}$
given by id on R and θ on P . (In formulas $(id, \theta)(r \otimes p) = r \theta p$.
 $r u(a) \cdot \theta p = r \cdot u(a) \theta p = r \cdot \theta(s(a)p)$)

Notice that if ~~$\theta: P \rightarrow R$~~ θ , as a morphism in
the category $(A(R), P(R))$, is an isomorphism, then $\bar{\theta}$ is an isomorphism.
In particular if (A, P) is an affine groupoid, then $\bar{\theta}$ is an isomorphism.

2. Suppose that

$$(2.1) \quad (A, P) \longrightarrow (A', P')$$

is a morphism of affine categories; it gives rise to a functor

$$(2.2) \quad (A(R), P(R)) \longleftarrow (A'(R), P'(R))$$

in the opposite direction for each ring R . Then there is a commutative square of \otimes -functors

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Com}(P) & \xrightarrow{A' \otimes_A ?} & \text{Com } P' \\ \text{forget} \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{forget} \\ \text{Mod } A & \xrightarrow{A' \otimes_A ?} & \text{Mod } A' \end{array}$$

~~acts~~ Consequently if $h: A \rightarrow \text{Mod } A'$ is a tensor functor on which P' acts, then $A' \otimes_A h: A \rightarrow \text{Mod } A'$ is a tensor functor on which P' acts.

We shall say that the morphism (2.1) is fully faithful (resp. an equivalence) if for each R the functor (2.2) is fully faithful (resp. an equivalence). Fully faithful means that

$$(2.3) \quad P' \xleftarrow{\cong} A' \otimes_A P \otimes_A A'$$

One sees easily that if P represents the functor $\text{End}^\otimes h$ then P' given by (2.3) represents the functor $\text{End}^\otimes h'$, where $h' = A' \otimes_A h$.

Lemma 2.4: Let $(f, f_1) : (A, P) \rightarrow (A', P')$ be an equivalence. Then there exists a morphism in the other direction $(g, g_1) : (A', P') \rightarrow (A, P)$ which is quasi-inverse to (f, f_1) in the sense that there are isomorphisms of the two composites with the identities.

Proof: We know that for any ring R , the functor

$$(f^*, f_1^*) : (A'(R), P'(R)) \rightarrow (A(R), P(R))$$

is an equivalence of categories, and we must show that we can find a quasi-inverse which is independent of R . Take $R = A$; then $\text{id}_A \in A(A)$ is an object of $(A(A), P(A))$ hence is isomorphic to $f^*(g)$ where $g: A' \rightarrow A$. The isomorphism is given by $\theta: P \rightarrow$ such that $\theta s = \text{id}_A$, $\theta t = gf$.

~~Now $\theta s = \text{id}_A$~~

~~isomorphic to for any $u \in A(R)$ $f^*(g^* u)$ is isomorphic via θf_p to u , hence since (f^*, f_1^*) is an equivalence there exists a morphism ~~isomorphic to~~ in $P(R)$ with target $g^* u$ which is carried by f_1^* into the given isomorphism of u to $f^*(g^* u)$.~~

Now g^* maps objects of $(A, P)(R)$ to the objects of $(A', P')(R)$ and after composition with f^* there is an isomorphism of $u \in A(R)$ with $f^* g^* u = ug$ given by $P \xrightarrow{\theta} A \xrightarrow{u} R$. Thus we know g^* extends to a functor quasi-inverse to (f^*, f_1^*) in a canonical way which is functorial in R . Hence we obtain $g_1: P' \rightarrow P$, etc.

Definition: Let (A, P) be an affine category and let $u: A \rightarrow R'$ and $u': A' \rightarrow R''$ be ring morphisms. Then to u' we have associated an affine category (A', P') and a fully faithful functor $(A, P) \rightarrow (A', P')$. Same for u'' . We say that u' and u'' are equivalent if there exists an equivalence

g

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (A', P') & \xrightarrow{g} & (A'', P'') \\ \downarrow u' & & \downarrow u'' \\ (A, P) & & \end{array}$$

such that $gu' \simeq u''$.

In terms of categories we have a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C' & & C'' \\ \searrow F' & & \swarrow F'' \\ & C & \end{array}$$

where F' and F'' are fully faithful. Then F' and F'' are equivalent if they have the same essential image.

In concrete terms it means that there exist maps

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C' & \xrightleftharpoons[G_1]{G_2} & C'' \\ \cancel{\text{and isomorphisms of functors}} & & \cancel{\text{G}_1 \circ \text{id}} \\ & & \cancel{\text{G}_2 \circ \text{id}} \end{array}$$

together with isomorphisms

$$\theta': F' \longrightarrow F''G_1$$

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From these one deduces an isomorphism

$$F' \longrightarrow F''G_1 \longrightarrow F'G_2 G_1$$

hence as F' is fully faithful an isomorphism

$$\text{id} \longrightarrow G_2 G_1.$$

similarly one gets an isomorphism

$$\text{id} \longrightarrow G_1 G_2$$

and we checked these two isomorphisms are compatible.

Therefore $u': A \rightarrow A'$ and $u'': A \rightarrow A''$ are equivalent if \exists diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A' & \xrightarrow{g_2} & A'' & \xrightarrow{g_1} & A' \\ u \uparrow & & u'' \uparrow & & u' \uparrow \\ A & & & & \end{array}$$

where θ' and θ'' are isomorphisms. From such a ~~diag~~ collect one get isomorphisms

$$A''_{[g_2]} \otimes_A h_u \cong A''_{[g_2 u']} \otimes_A h \xrightarrow{\theta'} \cancel{h_u} \cong h_u$$

$$A'_{[g_1]} \otimes_A h_u'' \cong A'_{[g_1 u'']} \otimes_A h \xrightarrow{\theta''} \cancel{h_u} \cong h_u$$

Example: Recall that if $\theta: \Omega \rightarrow Q$ is a multiplicative transformation, where Q is a Chern theory, such that

$$\theta(i_* 1) = \lambda \cdot i_* 1$$

with $\lambda \in Q(pt)^*$ where $i: pt \rightarrow P^1$, then by RR there is a unique multiplicative transformation $\tilde{p}: K \rightarrow Q^*$ such that $\theta = \hat{p}: \Omega \rightarrow Q$. Here the notation is as follows: \bar{p} denotes a power series in $(Q(pt)[[X]])^*$, \tilde{p} is the unique multiplicative transf $K \rightarrow Q^* \ni$

$$p(L) = \bar{p}(c_i^Q(L))$$

~~p(X) = X \bar{p}(X)~~ and

$$\hat{p}: \Omega \rightarrow Q$$

is the unique multiplicative transf. \exists

$$\hat{p}(f_* x) = f_*(\hat{p}x \cdot \tilde{p}(v_f)).$$

or equivalently by R-R the unique transf \Rightarrow

$$\hat{p}(c_i^Q(L)) = p(c_i^Q(L)).$$

Let A be the Lazard ring with universal law F_{univ} and let $A \rightarrow \Omega(pt)$ be given by $F_{univ} \mapsto F^R$. Let (A, P) be the affine category associating to each ring its category of formal group laws:

objects = formal group laws/ $R \cong \text{Hom}(A, R)$

$$\text{Hom}(F, F') = \left\{ \text{power series } p(X) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n X^{n+1}, a_0 \in R^* \mid p * F = F' \right\}$$

Composition is defined as follows: Given $u: F \rightarrow F'$ and $v: F' \rightarrow F''$, say $u = (F, p)$ $v = (F', q)$, then $v \circ u = (F, qp)$.

Make (A, P) act on Ω as follows. Given a formal group law F over R , let

$$\Omega_F = R_{[A]} \otimes \Omega$$

where $u: A \rightarrow R$ sends $F_{\text{univ}} \rightarrow F$. Given $p(x) \in R[[X]]^*$
 let $p^{-1}: \Omega \rightarrow R_{[A]} \otimes \Omega$
 be the transformation (multiplicative) such that

$$p^{-1} c_1(L) = p^{-1}(c_1(L)).$$

Then

$$p^{-1} F^\Omega = p^{-1} * F^\Omega$$

where $u: A \rightarrow R$ sends F_{univ} to F . Note that

$$\text{in}_1: R \xrightarrow{\sim} \Omega_F(\text{pt}),$$

hence given $p(x) \in R[[X]]^*$ there is a unique multiplicative transformation

$$\hat{g}^*: \Omega \rightarrow \Omega_F$$

such that

$$\hat{g}^* f_* x = f_* (\hat{g}^* x \cdot \hat{g}^*(v_f))$$

where

$$\hat{g}^*: K \rightarrow \Omega_F^*$$

is the multiplicative characteristic class (genus) given by

$$\tilde{g}(L) = (in_1 \tilde{g})(in_2 c_1^{\Omega} L)$$

$$c_1^{\Omega_F}(L).$$

From now on we identify $\Omega_F(pt)$ with R via in_1 .
Note that then

~~$F^{(\Omega_F)} = F$~~

Note that

$$\hat{g} c_1^{\Omega}(L) = g(c_1^{\Omega} L)$$

hence

$$\hat{g} F^{\Omega} = g * F,$$

so if $v: A \rightarrow R$ sends F in Ω_F to $g * F$, then the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \Omega(pt) \\ \downarrow v & & \downarrow \hat{g} \\ R & \xrightarrow{\text{in}_1} & \Omega_F(pt) \end{array}$$

is commutative, so in fact \hat{g} induces a \checkmark transformation mult.

$$\hat{g}: \Omega_{g * F} \longrightarrow \Omega_F$$

which is R linear and satisfies

$$\hat{g} c_1(L) = g(c_1(L)).$$

Therefore if (F_p) is a morphism in $(A(R), P(R))$ from F to $F' = p * F$, we have ~~a~~ a multiplicative transformation

$$\hat{p}^{-1}: \Omega_F \longrightarrow \Omega_{F'}$$

Given $p, q \in R[[X]]^*$.

$$\Omega_F \xrightarrow{\widehat{P}} \Omega_{p \ast F} \xrightarrow{\widehat{g}^{-1}} \Omega_{g \ast p \ast F}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{g}^{-1} \widehat{p}^{-1} (c, L) &= \widehat{g}(p^{-1}(c, L)) \\ &= \widehat{p}^{-1}(g^{-1}(c, L)) \\ &= \widehat{(gp)^{-1}} c, L. \end{aligned}$$

\widehat{g}^{-1} is R -linear.

Thus we have defined an action of (A, P) on Ω .

Example 1: suppose $h = \Omega \otimes \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ and (A, P) is the ~~affine~~ affine category associating to each $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ algebra its category of formal group laws. Let (A', P') be the full subcategory associating to a \mathbb{Z}_p -algebra its full subcategory of typical group laws, and let $f: (A, P) \rightarrow (A', P')$ be the inclusion functor. Then this functor is an equivalence of categories; indeed Cartier's recoordination defines a map

$$A' \xrightarrow{g} A$$

such that $gf = id_{A'}$ and such that fg is isomorphic to id_A . Hence if we define

$$\Omega' = A'_{[f]} \otimes_A \Omega_{(p)} \quad \text{[scratches]}$$

then there is an isomorphism

$$A' \otimes \Omega' \xrightarrow{\sim} \Omega_{(p)}.$$

This isomorphism is the composition

$$A \otimes_{A'} \Omega'_Q = A \otimes_{A'} (A' \otimes_A \Omega) \cong A \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_2} \Omega \cong A \otimes_A \Omega = \Omega_Q$$

Example 2: suppose $h = \Omega \otimes Q$, (A, P) = formal group laws over \mathbb{R} , (an alg. over \mathbb{Q}), $(A'(R), P'(R))$ full subcategory consisting of the law $X+Y$. Then

$$\Omega' = A' \otimes_A \Omega_Q$$

is a universal Chern theory with values in \mathbb{Q} algebras with law $X+Y$.

By R-R this theory is ~~$X \mapsto H^*(X, \mathbb{Q})$~~ . Thus

$$\Omega_Q \cong A \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} H^*(X, \mathbb{Q}).$$

(more detail required here. K-theory)
relation with Conner-Floyd thm.)

Example 3: $h = N$ unoriented cobordism

$(A, P)(R)$ = ^{category} formal laws of height ∞ over the \mathbb{F}_2 -alg. R

$(A', P')(R)$ = full subcategory consisting of the law $X+Y$. Then

$$N(X) \cong A^* \otimes_{\mathbb{F}_2} N'(X)$$

By formal group law theory is a polynomial ring over \mathbb{F}_2 with generators in dimensions $\neq 2^k - 1$. Thus using Thom's theorem

$N'(pt) = \mathbb{Z}_2$ so by uniqueness theorem in generalized cohomology theory $N'(X) = H^*(X, \mathbb{Z}/2)$.

(more detail. One sees that F_1^M has a unique log of form

$$l(x) = \sum a_n x^{n+1} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} a_{2i-1} = 0 & i > 0 \\ a_0 = 1 \end{cases}$$

and that

$$n(pt) \cong F_2[a:i].$$

We now wish to consider the case of ~~group~~ laws which are locally isomorphic for the ~~fpc~~ topology. Thus in the situation on ^{bottom of} page 6, we are given group laws F' over A' and F'' over A'' and morphisms $A' \xrightarrow{g_2} A'' \xrightarrow{g_1} A'$ together with isomorphisms $g_2(F') \cong F$, $g_1(F) \cong F'$. Now we wish to understand what happens in the case that

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and in this case

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A'' \otimes_{A'} h_{A'} \cong h_{A''} \\ A' \otimes_{A''} h_{A''} \cong h_{A'} \end{array} \right.$$

Now suppose that u', u'' are not equivalent but instead that after a faithfully flat map $A' \xrightarrow{\varphi} B'$ the map $A \xrightarrow{u'} A' \xrightarrow{\varphi} B'$ is equivalent to $A \xrightarrow{u''} A''$. Then what we have is an exact sequence

$$h_{A'} \longrightarrow h_{B'} \longrightarrow h_{B' \otimes_{A'} B'}$$

and that $n(pt) \cong F_2[a_i]\text{.}$

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and ~~an~~ isomorphisms

$$h_{B'} \cong B' \otimes_{A''} h_{A''}$$

$$h_{A''} \cong A'' \otimes_{B'} h_{B'}$$

I now wish to apply these considerations to K-theory
~~and~~ and Ω . First the formal group picture:

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Characteristic numbers

Let Q be a ~~cohomology~~ theory with products and with ~~isomorphism~~ ^{normal} homomorphism for ~~complex~~ complex vector bundles. Then there is a ring homomorphism (called characteristic numbers with values in Q)

$$Q_{\bullet}(\text{pt}) \xrightarrow{\quad} Q_{\bullet}(MU) \cong Q_{\bullet}(BU)$$

which I would like to describe using formal group laws.

Adams' description of $Q_{\bullet}(BU)$: $Q_{\bullet}(BU(1)) \cong \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\infty} Q_{\bullet}(\text{pt}) b_i$, where $\{b_i\}$ is dual base to $\{c_j^i\}$. Then $Q_{\bullet}(BU(1)) \rightarrow Q_{\bullet}(BU)$ carries the b_i into generators for $Q_{\bullet}(BU)$ where $b_0 = 1$. Thus

$$Q_{\bullet}(BU) = Q_{\bullet}(\text{pt})[b_1, b_2, \dots] \quad \deg b_i = 2i$$

My description:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_{Q(\text{pt})\text{-alg}}(Q_{\bullet}(BU), R) &\cong \{\text{mult. char classes } \bar{R} \rightarrow Q_{\bullet} \otimes_{Q(\text{pt})} R\} \\ &\cong \{\text{Power series } \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n X^n, a_n \in R, a_0 = 1\} \\ &\cong \text{Hom}_{Q(\text{pt})\text{-alg}}(Q(\text{pt})[b_1, \dots], R) \end{aligned}$$

Classical description of $Q_{\bullet}(\text{pt}) \xrightarrow{\quad} Q_{\bullet}(BU)$:

Given $f: M^n \rightarrow \text{pt}$ compact almost complex manifold, let

$$s_{\alpha}(f) = f_* C_{\alpha}(v_f)$$

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be the α -th characteristic number of M^n . Then

$$\Phi[M^n] = \sum b_\alpha s_\alpha[M^n]$$

My description: Let $c_b : K(\cdot) \rightarrow Q(\cdot)[b_1, b_2, \dots]$ be the universal characteristic class given on line bundles by

$$c_b(L) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b_i c_i(L)^i \quad b_0 = 1.$$

Then there is a unique multiplicative homomorphism

$$s_b = \hat{c}_b : \Omega(\cdot) \rightarrow Q(\cdot)[b]$$

given by

$$\hat{c}_b(f_* x) = f_*(x \cdot c_b(v_f))$$

and

$$s_b : \Omega(pt) \rightarrow Q(pt)[b]$$

is the characteristic numbers map Φ .

One knows in general that if Q' is a Chern theory, ~~and~~ if $\varphi : K \rightarrow (Q')^*$ is a mult. char. class, and if $\hat{\varphi} : \Omega \rightarrow Q'$ is the induced operation, then

$$\hat{\varphi} c_i^\Omega(L) = c_i^\Omega(L) \cdot \bar{\varphi}(L) = p(c_i^{Q'} L)$$

where $p(X) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n X^{n+1} \in Q'(pt)[[X]]$, $\frac{p(c_i L)}{c_i L} = \varphi(L)$. Hence

$$\hat{\varphi}(F^\Omega) = p * F^{Q'}$$

and therefore for

$$s_b = \hat{c}_b : \Omega(pt) \longrightarrow Q(pt)[b] = Q(BU)$$

we have

$$s_b(F^\Omega) = P_b * F^Q$$

$$\text{where } P_b(x) = \sum_{i \geq 0} b_i x^{i+1} \quad b_0 = 1$$

Examples. 1. $\pi_*(MU) \longrightarrow H_*(MU) \cong H_*(BU) \cong \mathbb{Z}[b]$

$$F^\Omega \longmapsto \left(\sum_{n \geq 0} b_n X^{n+1} \right) * (X + Y)$$

2. $\pi_*(MU) \longrightarrow K_*(BU) \cong \mathbb{Z}[\beta', \beta, b_1, b_2, \dots]$

$$F^\Omega \longmapsto \left(\sum_{n \geq 0} b_n X^{n+1} \right) * (X + Y - \beta X Y)$$

3. $\pi_*(MO) \longrightarrow H_*(BO, \mathbb{F}_2) \cong \mathbb{F}_2[b_1, b_2, \dots]$

$$F^n \longmapsto \left(\sum_{n \geq 0} b_n X^{n+1} \right) * (X + Y)$$

K theory - operations.

Let K^* be the periodic generalized cohomology theory of Atiyah-Hirzebruch. ~~that~~ Let us review how this is defined. If X is a compact space (resp. pointed space), let

$$K(X) = \text{groth group of } \mathbb{V}_{\text{v.b.}} \text{ over } X \\ (\text{resp. } \tilde{K}(X) = \text{Ker}\{K(X) \rightarrow K(\text{basepoint})\})$$

By the periodicity theorem of Bott there is a canonical element $\beta \in K(S^2)$ such that

$$\beta: K(X) \longrightarrow \tilde{K}(S^2 \wedge X)$$

is an isomorphism. This said we define for a ~~compact~~ ^{pointed} space X

$$K^{2n}(X) = \tilde{K}(X)$$

$$K^{2n+1}(X) = \tilde{K}(S^1 \wedge X)$$

and we define the suspension isomorphism

~~$$K^{2n}(X) \xrightarrow{\beta} K^{2n+1}(S^1 \wedge X) \xrightarrow{\text{to be identity}} K^{2n+2}(S^2 \wedge X)$$

$$K^{2n+1}(X) \xrightarrow{\text{defn}} \tilde{K}(S^1 \wedge X) \xrightarrow{\beta} K^{2n+2}(S^2 \wedge X)$$~~

$$K^{2n+1}(X) \longrightarrow K^{2n+2}(S^2 \wedge X)$$

$$\tilde{K}(S^1 \wedge X) \xrightarrow{\text{id}} \tilde{K}(S^2 \wedge X)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 K^{2n}(X) & \longrightarrow & K^{2n+1}(S^1 X) \\
 \parallel & & \parallel \\
 \tilde{R}(X) & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \tilde{R}(S^1 \wedge S^1 X) \\
 & & \downarrow S^1 \\
 \beta_* & \longrightarrow & \tilde{K}(S^2 \wedge X)
 \end{array}$$

The associated spectrum Bu . : ~~associated~~

~~For a compact space X , let $\tilde{R}(X)$ be $\text{Ker}(K(X) \rightarrow H^0(X, \mathbb{Z})$.~~

Then there is a canonical isomorphism

$$[X, Bu] \cong \tilde{R}(X),$$

hence if X is a pointed connected ~~finite complex~~, there is an isomorphism

$$\tilde{R}(X) \cong \tilde{R}(X) = [X, Bu]. \quad \leftarrow \text{basepoint preserving}$$

Therefore for a pointed finite complex

$$K^{2n+1}(X) = [S^1 \wedge X, Bu]_0 = [X, u]_0.$$

$$K^{2n}(X) = [X, \mathbb{Z} \times Bu]_0.$$

From the suspension isom we have

$$\begin{cases}
 [X, u]_0 \xrightarrow{\sim} [S^1 \wedge X, \mathbb{Z} \times Bu]_0 \\
 [X, \mathbb{Z} \times Bu]_0 \xrightarrow{\sim} [S^1 X, u]_0
 \end{cases}$$

Therefore we have homotopy equivalences

$$\begin{cases}
 u \xrightarrow{\sim} \Omega(\mathbb{Z} \times Bu) \\
 \mathbb{Z} \times Bu \xrightarrow{\sim} \Omega u
 \end{cases}$$

and so we have an spectrum BU_{un} given by

$$\begin{cases} \text{BU}_{2n} = \mathbb{Z} \times \text{BU} \\ \text{BU}_{2n+1} = u. \end{cases}$$

Now I wish to check the ~~Atiyah trick~~ condition, i.e. that K° as a functor on the suspension category is ~~represented~~ ^{ind-represented} by Künneth complexes. So given X in \mathcal{A} and $u \in K^{\circ}(X)$, we have $X = \Sigma^{-2n} Y$ with Y a finite pointed complex for some $n \geq 0$ and

$$K^{\circ}(X) \cong K^{2n}(Y) = [Y, \mathbb{Z} \times \text{BU}]_0.$$

Now $\text{BU} = \varinjlim_{m,n} \text{Grass}_{mn}$. $K(\text{Grass}_{mn})$ is finitely generated free $K^{\circ}(\text{pt}) = \mathbb{Z}[\beta, \beta^{-1}]$ module. ~~so since~~ ^{Clearly} u comes from a map $Y \xrightarrow{\text{a map}} [-r, r] \times G_{mr} = E$, for some r, m , where E is a Künneth complex. Thus u comes from $X = \Sigma^{-2n} Y \xrightarrow{\text{a map}} \Sigma^{-2n} E$ in \mathcal{A} where $\Sigma^{-2n} E$ is of Künneth type.

Since this condition holds I know that the functor $R \mapsto (\underline{\text{End}}^\otimes K^{\circ})(R)$ is represented by the flat affine groupoid

$$K_{\cdot}(\text{BU}) = \varinjlim_n K_{\cdot+2n}(\mathbb{Z} \times \text{BU})$$

over $K_{\cdot}(\text{pt})$.

To calculate this functor $\underline{\text{End}}^\otimes K^{\circ}$ suppose given a graded $K^{\circ}(\text{pt})$ algebra R and a multiplicative stable transf

$$K^{\circ} \xrightarrow{\gamma} R \otimes_{K^{\circ}(\text{pt})} K^{\circ}$$

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composing γ with the ~~the~~ Todd map

$$\Omega^{\circ} \xrightarrow{g\Phi} K^{\circ}$$

we obtain a stable multiplicative transf.

$$\Omega^{\circ} \xrightarrow{g\Phi} R \otimes_{K(pt)} K^{\circ}$$

which, as we know, is given by a power series

$$\varphi(X) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n X^{n+1}, \quad a_0 = 1 \quad a_n \in (R \otimes_{K(pt)} K^{\circ})^{\otimes n} \cong R^n.$$

However φ cannot be arbitrary; one knows that

$$(g\Phi)(c_i^{\Omega}(L)) = \varphi(c_i^K L)$$

and hence that

$$(g\Phi)(F^{\Omega}) = \cancel{\varphi * F^K} \quad \underset{\parallel}{\gamma(F^K)}$$

Now $F^K(X, Y) = X + Y - \beta XY$, therefore

$$\varphi * F^K = X + Y - \gamma(\beta)XY.$$

Conversely by the Conner-Floyd theorem

$$\Omega^{\circ}(X) \otimes_{\Omega^{\circ}(pt)} K^{\circ} \xrightarrow{\sim} K^{\circ}(X)$$

we ~~know~~ know that if $\varphi * F^K = X + Y - \tau XY$ for some τ , then γ induces a transf from K° to K_R° . So we conclude

Proposition: $\text{Hom}_{\text{ring}}(K_{\text{BU}}, R) \cong \{\sigma, \tau, \varphi\}$

$\sigma, \tau \in R^* \cap R^{-2}$, $\varphi(X) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n X^{n+1}$, $a_n \in R^{*n}$ $a_0 = 1$ and

$$X + Y - \tau XY = \varphi * (X + Y - \sigma XY).$$

interchange
 τ and σ . Should
 $\tau = t(\beta)$ $\sigma = s(\beta)$.

Using this we shall calculate the structure of K_{BU} .

First observe that above implies

$$\varphi(X) + \varphi(Y) - \tau \varphi(X) \varphi(Y) = \varphi(X + Y - \sigma XY)$$

$$X + a_1 X^2 + Y + a_1 Y^2 - \tau XY = X + Y - \sigma XY + a_1 (X + Y)^2 \text{ mod } \mathfrak{m}$$

$$\therefore -\tau = -\sigma + 2a_1$$

or

$$\boxed{\tau = \sigma - 2a_1}$$

(~~and~~) ~~(cancel)~~

$$(-\tau^{-1}X) * (X + Y + XY) = \varphi * ((-\sigma^{-1}X) * (X + Y + XY))$$

Thus

$$(-\tau^{-1}X) \circ \varphi \circ (-\sigma^{-1}X)$$

is an automorphism of the law $X + Y + XY$. But one knows that the latter ~~are~~ are of the form

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} b_n X^n \quad b_n \in R^*$$

where there is a map $\bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \mathbb{Z} \binom{T}{n} \rightarrow R$ such that $\binom{T}{n} \mapsto b_n$

Therefore

$$K_*(BU) \cong \mathbb{Z}[T, T^{-1}] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}[T]} \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \mathbb{Z}(T)_n \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}[\sigma, \sigma^{-1}]$$

where s, t from $K_*(BT) \cong \mathbb{Z}[B, B^{-1}]$ to $K_*(BU)$ are given by

$$t_*(\beta) = \sigma$$

$$s_*(\beta) = T\sigma$$

~~(This is just a note)~~

I can use the same method to calculate $H_*(BU)$.

Thus a ring homomorphism from $H_*(BU)$ to R is the same thing as a multiplicative stable operation $K^* \rightarrow H_* \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} R$, that is, a unit σ in R^{-2} and a power series $\varphi(X) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n X^{n+1}$, $a_0 = 1$, $a_n \in R^{-2n}$ such that

$$X + Y - \sigma XY = \varphi * (X + Y)$$

$$\text{or } (-\sigma^{-1}X) * (X + Y + XY) = \varphi * (X + Y)$$

$$\text{or } X + Y + XY = ((-\sigma X) \circ \varphi) * (X + Y)$$

In other words $1 + (-\sigma X) \circ \varphi$ is an exponential function. One knows these are of the form

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} b_n X^n \quad b_n \in R^{-n}$$

where there is a ring hom

$$\bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \mathbb{Z} \frac{T^n}{n!} \longrightarrow R$$

sending $\frac{T^n}{n!} \mapsto b_n$. Therefore as $b_1 = -\sigma$

$$H_*(\underline{BU}) \cong \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \mathbb{Z} \frac{\sigma^n}{n!} \otimes \mathbb{Z}[\sigma, \sigma^{-1}] \cong \mathbb{Q}[\sigma, \sigma^{-1}].$$

This agrees well with what Kan told me!

The calculation of $K_*(\underline{BU})$ may be simplified as follows. Let R be a graded $K(pt)$ algebra where $\beta \mapsto \sigma \in R_2 \cap (R^*)^*$, a multiplicative stable operation.

$$\gamma: K^\circ \longrightarrow R \otimes_{K(pt)} K^\circ$$

~~is determined by its restriction to K°~~ ; ~~the latter is the additive extension of the restriction to line bundles~~

$$\gamma(L) = \sum_{n \geq 0} b_n (L-1)^n$$

where $b_n \in R_0$. As $\gamma(LL') = \gamma(L) \cdot \gamma(L')$, one knows that intuitively

$$b_n = \binom{b_1}{n} \quad \text{ie.}$$

$$\gamma(L) = L^{b_1}$$

and precisely that there is a ring homomorphism

$$\bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \mathbb{Z}(\mathbb{T}_n) \longrightarrow R$$

$$(\mathbb{T}_n) \longmapsto b_n$$

We now calculate $\gamma(\beta)$. Recall stability of $\gamma \Rightarrow$ commutativity of

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \beta & \xrightarrow{\gamma} & K^{-2}(pt) & \xrightarrow{\quad \cong \quad} & \sigma \tau^{-1} \otimes \beta \\ \downarrow H^{-1} & & \downarrow S & & \downarrow \sigma \tau^{-1} \otimes (I-H) \\ K^\circ(S^2) & \xrightarrow{\gamma} & R \otimes_{K(pt)} K(S^3) & & \end{array}$$

where H is the Hopf bundle $O(1)$ on $S^2 \cong \mathbb{C}P^1$. Now

$$g(I-H^{-1}) = I - H^{-b_1} = b_1(I-H^{-1}) \quad \text{since } (I-H^{-1})^2 = 0$$

Thus

$$\sigma\tau^{-1} = b_1 \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \sigma = g(\beta) = b_1\tau.$$

So we conclude that any stable operation

$$g: K^* \longrightarrow R \otimes_{K^*(pt)} K^* \quad K(pt) \xrightarrow{\tau} R \\ \beta \mapsto \tau$$

is of the form

$$\begin{cases} g(\beta) = \tau\tau \\ g(L) = L^t = \sum_{n \geq 0} \binom{t}{n} (L-1)^n \end{cases}$$

Thus

$$R.(BU) \cong \left[\left(\bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \mathbb{Z}(\binom{T}{n}) \right) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}[T]} \mathbb{Z}[T, T^{-1}] \right] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} K(pt)$$

where

$\text{Spec } \Gamma = \text{Aut } \widehat{\mathbb{G}_m}$. Moreover the canonical homomorphism

$$K^*(X) \xrightarrow{\Delta} K.(BU) \otimes_{K(pt)} K(X) \cong \Gamma \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} K(X)$$

is the unique additive extension given as line bundles by

$$\Delta(L) = "L^T" \text{ i.e. } \sum_{n \geq 0} \binom{T}{n} (L-1)^n$$

Stong - Hattori theorem as formulated by Adams says that

$$0 \rightarrow \pi_*(MU) \longrightarrow K_*(MU) \xrightarrow[\Delta]{id \otimes 1} K_*(MU) \otimes K_*(BU)$$

is exact. I want to make these maps explicit. Recall that

$$\underset{K(pt)}{\text{Hom}}(K_*(MU), R) = \underset{K(pt)}{\text{Hom}}(\Omega^*, R \otimes K^*)$$

$$\cong \left\{ \sum a_n x^{n+1} \mid a_0 = 1, a_n \in R_n \right\}$$

i.e. \exists canon. map

$$\gamma: \Omega^*(X) \longrightarrow K_*(MU) \otimes_{K(pt)} K^*(X)$$

~~given by~~ given by

$$\gamma(c_i^{\Omega}(L)) = \sum_{n \geq 0} b_n c_i^K(L)^{n+1}$$

$$\gamma(F^\Omega) = (\sum b_n x^{n+1}) * F$$

where $K_*(MU) = \mathbb{Z}[b_1, b_2, \dots] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} K(pt)$.

Also \exists canonical map

$$\gamma_!: K^*(X) \longrightarrow K_*(BU) \otimes_{K(pt)} K^*(X)$$

given by

$$\gamma_!(L) = L^T \quad \gamma_!(\beta) = T\beta$$

where

$$K_*(BU) = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \mathbb{Z}(T_n)[T^{-1}] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} K(pt)$$

Therefore ~~combining~~ combining γ and $\gamma_!$ we obtain

an operation

$$\Omega^*(X) \xrightarrow{\gamma} K_*(MU) \otimes_{K(pt)} K(X) \xrightarrow{id \otimes \gamma_1} K_*(MU) \otimes_{K(pt)} K^*(BU) \otimes_{K(pt)} K(X)$$

hence by the universal property of Ω^* there exists a unique ring homomorphism

$$K_*(MU) \xrightarrow{\mu} K_*(MU) \otimes_{K(pt)} K_*(BU)$$

such that the two compositions below are equal

$$\Omega^*(X) \xrightarrow{\gamma} K_*(MU) \otimes_{K(pt)} K(X) \xrightarrow{\mu \otimes id} K_*(MU) \otimes_{K(pt)} K^*(BU) \otimes_{K(pt)} K(X)$$

I now wish to calculate μ . Now

$$K_*(MU) = \mathbb{Z}[b_1, b_2, \dots] \otimes \mathbb{Z}[\beta, \beta^{-1}]$$

$$K_*(BU) = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \mathbb{Z}(T_n)[T^{-1}] \otimes \mathbb{Z}[\beta, \beta^{-1}]$$

as a left module B
acts as TB

Thus

$$K_*(MU) \otimes_{K(pt)} K_*(BU) = \mathbb{Z}[b_1, \dots] \otimes \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \mathbb{Z}(T_n)[T^{-1}] \otimes \mathbb{Z}[\beta, \beta^{-1}]$$

Moreover

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{id} \otimes \gamma_1) \circ c_1^* L &= (\text{id} \otimes \gamma_1) \sum b_n (c_1^* L)^{n+1} \\ &= \sum b_n (\gamma_1 c_1^* L)^{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\gamma_1 c_1^* L = \gamma_1 (\beta^{-1} (I - L^{-1})) = (TB)^{-1} (I - L^{-T})$$

~~$$\gamma_1 c_1^* L = \gamma_1 (\beta^{-1} (I - L^{-1})) = (TB)^{-1} (I - L^{-T})$$~~

Thus

~~$$(\text{id} \otimes \gamma_1) \circ c_1^* L = \sum b_n (\gamma_1 c_1^* L)^{n+1} = \sum b_n ((TB)^{-1} (I - L^{-T}))^{n+1}$$~~

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -\beta T^{-1}(L^{-T}-1) = -\beta^{-1} T^{-1} \sum_{n \geq 1}^{\prime} \binom{T}{n} (L^{-1}-1)^n \\
 &= T^{-1} \sum_{n \geq 1} \binom{T}{n} (-\beta)^{n-1} \left(\frac{1-L^{-1}}{\beta} \right)^n
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\gamma(c_1^K L) = T^{-1} \sum_{n \geq 1} \binom{T}{n} (-\beta)^{n-1} (c_1^{K^*} L)}$$

so

$$(id \otimes \gamma_1)(\gamma_{c_1^*} L) = \left(\sum_{n \geq 0} b_n X^{n+1} \circ T^{-1} \sum_{n \geq 1} \binom{T}{n} (-\beta)^{n-1} X^n \right) (c_1^{K^*} L)$$

Therefore

$$\boxed{\sum_{n \geq 0} (\mu b_n) X^{n+1} = \left(\sum_{n \geq 0} b_n X^{n+1} \right) \circ \left(T^{-1} \sum_{n \geq 1} \binom{T}{n} (-\beta)^{n-1} X^n \right)}$$

These formulas simplify with the following change of notation. Thus write

$$K_*(MU) \cong \mathbb{Z}[a_0^{-1}, a_0, a_1, \dots] \quad t: K_*(pt) \rightarrow K_*(M)$$

~~with~~

$$\gamma: \Omega^*(X) \rightarrow K_*(MU) \otimes_{K_*(pt)} K^*(X) \quad \text{given by}$$

$$\gamma(c_1^*(L)) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n (1-L^{-1})^{n+1}$$

Thus

$$a_n = b_n \beta^{-n-1} \in K_{-2}^*(\text{MA}) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\boxed{\sum_{n \geq 0} (\mu a_n) X^{n+1} = \left(\sum_{n \geq 0} a_n X^{n+1} \right) \circ \left(\sum_{n \geq 1} \binom{T}{n} (-1)^{n-1} X^n \right)}$$

Here is a summary of our calculations:

Proposition: 1) There is an isomorphism

$$K_*(MU) \cong \mathbb{Z}[a_0^{-1}, a_0, a_1, \dots] \quad a_i \in K_{-2}(MU)$$

such that the canonical maps

$$K^*(pt) \xrightarrow{t} K_*(MU) \xleftarrow{s} \Omega^*(pt)$$

$$\gamma: \Omega^*(X) \longrightarrow K_*(MU) \otimes_{K^*(pt)} K^*(X)$$

are given by

$$t(\beta) = a_0^{-1}$$

$$s(F^\alpha) = \left(\sum_{n \geq 0} a_n x^{n+1} \right) * (x + y - xy)$$

$$\gamma(c^L(L)) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n (1-L^{-1})^{n+1}$$

2) There is an isomorphism

$$K_*(BU) \cong \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \mathbb{Z}(T_n) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}[T]} \mathbb{Z}[T, T^{-1}] \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}[T, T^{-1}]$$

$$T \in K_0(BU) \quad T \in K_2(BU)$$

such that the canonical maps

$$K^*(pt) \xrightarrow{t} K_*(BU) \xleftarrow{s} K^*(pt)$$

$$\gamma_1: K^*(X) \longrightarrow K_*(BU) \otimes_{K^*(pt)} K^*(X)$$

are given by

$$t(\beta) = \tau$$

$$s(\beta) = T\tau$$

$$\gamma(L) = L^T$$

3) The unique ring homomorphism

$$\mu: K_*(MU) \longrightarrow K_*(MU) \otimes_{K_*(pt)} K_*(BU)$$

such that the following two compositions are equal

$$(A) \quad \Omega^*(X) \xrightarrow{\gamma} K_*(MU) \otimes_{K_*(pt)} K^*(X) \xrightarrow{\mu \otimes id} K_*(MU) \otimes_{K_*(pt)} K_*(BU) \otimes_{K_*(pt)} K^*(X)$$

is given by

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} (\mu a_n) X^{n+1} = \left(\sum_{n \geq 0} a_n X^{n+1} \right) \circ \left(\sum_{n \geq 1} \binom{T}{n} (-1)^{n-1} X^n \right)$$

4) The Stong - Hattori theorem implies that for a torsion-free finite complex X , the sequence (A) is exact.

Equivalently ~~an algebraic function on invertible power series~~

$$P\left(\sum a_n X^{n+1}\right) = P(a_0, a_1, \dots) \in \mathbb{Z}[a_0^{-1}, a_0, a_1, \dots]$$

can be expressed in the form

$$P\left(\sum a_n X^{n+1}\right) = Q\left(\left(\sum a_n X^{n+1}\right) * (x + y - xy)\right)$$

where Q is an algebraic function on formal group laws (i.e. $Q \in \Omega^*(pt)$) if and only if

$$P\left(\sum a_n X^{n+1}\right) = P\left(\left(\sum a_n X^{n+1}\right) \circ \left(\sum_{n \geq 1} (-1)^{n-1} X^n\right)\right).$$

Remark 1: In terms of schemes we have that the diagrams

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (\text{inv. power series}) \times \underline{\text{Aut}} \hat{\mathbb{G}}_m & \xrightarrow{\quad} & (\text{invertible power series}) \\ & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \end{array} \xrightarrow{\quad} (\text{formal gp laws})$$

$$f \xrightarrow{\quad} f * (x+y-xy)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} f \times g & \xrightarrow{\quad} & f \\ & \xrightarrow{\quad} & fg \end{array}$$

becomes exact after \mathcal{B}_a is applied

Remark 2: According to Hattori, the map $\pi_*(MU) \rightarrow K_*(MU)$ is injective onto a direct summand, i.e. the cokernel of the map is ~~free~~ a free \mathbb{Z} -module. It would be nice to know if the sequence (it isn't see below)

(**) $0 \rightarrow \pi_*(MU) \rightarrow K_*(MU) \xrightarrow{\quad} K_*(MU) \otimes_{K_*(MU)} K_*(BU) \xrightarrow{\quad} K_*(MU) \otimes_{K_*(MU)} K_*(BU) \otimes_{K_*(MU)} K_*(BU)$

is exact as this would yield Hattori's result as well as the fact that it remains exact after tensoring over \mathbb{Z} with any ring R (Any submodule of a flat \mathbb{Z} -module is flat).

In any case the sequence (**) is of the Amitsur form

$$0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \xrightarrow{\quad} B \otimes_A B \xrightarrow{\quad} B \otimes_A B \otimes_A B \dots$$

$A = \pi_*(MU)$
 $B = K_*(MU)$

This may be seen by noting that ~~is~~ a map

$$\underbrace{B \otimes_A B \otimes_A B}_{n \text{ times}} \rightarrow R$$

is the same as giving ^{invertible} power series $f_1(x), \dots, f_n(x)$ with coefficients in R such that

$$f_i(x) * (x+y-XY) = f_j(x) * (x+y-XY) \quad \forall i, j$$

or equivalently ^{invertible} series f_1, u_2, \dots, u_n (with $f_i = f_j u_2 \cdots u_i$) where u_i stabilizes $x+y-XY$ and hence u_i gives rise to a map ~~$\Gamma \rightarrow R$~~ , where ~~Γ~~ $\text{Spec } \Gamma = \text{Aut } \hat{\mathbb{G}}_m$. Thus

$$\underbrace{B \otimes_A \cdots \otimes_A B}_r \simeq B \otimes_F \underbrace{\cdots \otimes \Gamma}_{n-1} \simeq B \otimes_{K(Bu)} K(pt) \otimes_{\cdots} K(Bu)$$

CLAIM (**): not exact in degree 1. ~~So if this is true~~

To see this simplify notation and write (**) as a complex

$$0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow Q^0 \rightarrow Q^1 \rightarrow Q^2 \rightarrow \cdots$$

Let $B^1 = \text{Ker } Q^0 \rightarrow Q^1$ so that we have exact sequences

$$0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow Q^0 \rightarrow B^1 \rightarrow 0 \quad (\text{by Stong - Hattori})$$

$$0 \rightarrow B^1 \rightarrow Q^1 \rightarrow B^2 \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{by hypothesis}$$

Tensoring with $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ this remains exact since $B^* \subset Q^*$ is torsion free. Thus

$$0 \rightarrow A \otimes \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow Q^0 \otimes \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow Q^1 \otimes \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$$

is exact. But in the case at hand we know that

$$0 \rightarrow (\Omega(\text{pt}) \otimes \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})[\mathbb{P}_{p-1}] \rightarrow K(Mu) \otimes \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \implies K(Mu) \otimes \Gamma \otimes \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$$

is exact. (This is because modulo p^n we know that

Aut $\widehat{G}_m = \mathbb{Z}_p^*$ is a flat subgroup of the group G of invertible power series under composition and that $G/\mathbb{Z}_p^* \cong$ the functors laws of height 1. $\cong \text{Spec}(\Omega(\text{pt}) \otimes \mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z})[P_{p-1}]$. ~~Denote~~ Denote this last by $L_{1, \mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}}$. Faithfully flat descent shows us that $\Gamma(L_{1, \mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}}, \mathcal{O}_L) = \Gamma(G, \mathcal{O}_G)^{\Gamma(\mathbb{Z}_p^*, \mathcal{O})} = \Gamma \otimes \mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}$.

CLAIM for each n that

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega(\text{pt})[P_{p-1}^{-1}] \otimes \mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow K(\text{MU})/p^n \rightarrow K(\text{MU})/p^n \otimes \Gamma \rightarrow \dots$$

is exact. This is just faithfully flat descent for the morphism $G_{\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}} \rightarrow L_{1, \mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}}$ which is a torsor for $(\mathbb{Z}_p)^*$.

Proof of Stong-Hattori theorem: Let $z \in K(\text{MU})$ be a primitive element. Then by rational considerations there exists an integer $n \neq 0$ such that nz comes from $\Omega(\text{pt})$. On the other hand I know that $z \in \varprojlim_n \Omega(\text{pt})[P_{p-1}^{-1}] \otimes \mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}$ which means

$$z = \sum_{g \leq N} (P_{p-1}^{+})_g w_g$$

where the w_g are polynomials in the other generators tending to zero in the p -topology. For such a thing to be of the form w_g/n with $w \in \Omega(\text{pt})$ it must be that $w_g = 0$ for $g < 0$. Thus $z \in \Omega(\text{pt}) \otimes \mathbb{Z}_p$ for all p so $z \in \Omega(\text{pt})$.

Hattori's result that $\Omega(\text{pt})$ is a direct summand of $K(\text{MU})$

follows easily. In effect as $K_*(MU) = \mathbb{Z}[b_0, b_0^{-1}] \otimes \mathbb{Z}[b_1, -1]$ is free in each dimension it suffices to show that if nz is in $\Omega_*(pt)$ so is z . But if nz is primitive so is z as ~~$K_*(MU) \otimes \Gamma$~~ is torsion-free. (This last observation is what Adams ~~meant~~ must have meant by Hattori's proof showing that $\Omega_*(pt) = P K_*(MU)$.)

Remark 3: From the fact that (A) on page 16 is exact, one deduces that it is exact for any torsion free ^{finite} complex. Indeed after suspension to kill π_1 , one can suppose ~~that~~ that X is minimal and use skeleton induction. Thus for a torsion-free complex X , $\Omega^*(X)$ can be calculated algebraically from $K(X)$ with its Adams operations; $\Omega^*(X)$ is the invariant elements of $K_*(MU) \otimes_{K(pt)} K(X)$.

The general picture about char. nos. and Wu relations

Given a Chern theory Q with formal group law F^Q , let Γ_Q be the coordinate ring of $\text{Out } F^Q$. Then we have maps (here $Q_{\bullet}(\text{MU})$, γ have the universal property of representing star ring homomorphisms from Q to Q)

$$(**) \quad Q(X) \xrightarrow{\gamma} Q_{\bullet}(\text{MU}) \otimes_{Q(\text{pt})} Q(X) \xrightarrow[\substack{\mu \circ \text{id} \\ \text{id} \otimes \gamma}]{} Q_{\bullet}(\text{MU}) \otimes_{\Gamma_Q} Q(X) \otimes_{Q(\text{pt})} Q(\text{pt})$$

where μ is the unique ring homomorphism such that these two compositions are equal. Identifying $Q_{\bullet}(\text{MU}) \simeq Q(\text{pt})[b_1, \dots]$ we have

that

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \gamma = (\sum b_n X^{n+1})^\wedge \\ \sum (\mu b_n) X^{n+1} = (\sum b_n X^{n+1}) \circ (\sum t_n X^{n+1}) \end{array} \right.$$

where $\sum t_n X^{n+1}$, $t_n \in \Gamma_Q$ is the generic auto of Γ_Q .

~~This characteristic map is essentially~~ ~~the characteristic numbers map~~ since $Q_{\bullet}(\text{MU}) \simeq \text{Hom}_{\text{cont}}_{Q(\text{pt})}(Q(\text{MU}), Q(\text{pt})) \simeq \text{Hom}_{\text{cont}}_{Q(\text{pt})}(Q(\text{BU}), Q(\text{pt})) \simeq \text{Hom}^+(\mathbb{K}, Q)$.

The ~~differentiable~~ condition

$$(\mu \circ \text{id})(z) = (\text{id} \otimes \gamma)(z)$$

on an element $z \in Q_{\bullet}(\text{MU}) \otimes_{Q(\text{pt})} Q(X)$ in the image of γ is called the Wu relations. To say that the Wu relations are complete means that $(**)$ is exact in the middle.

Example: Take $Q = H^*(X, \mathbb{Z}_{1/p})$ denoted $H_*(X)$ in the following. Then for $X = \text{pt}$ the maps of (**) correspond to maps of schemes

$$G_{1/p} \times \text{Aut}_{1/p}^* \mathcal{O}_a \xrightarrow{\quad} G_{1/p} \xrightarrow{g^t} \mathbb{Z}_{1/p} \quad \begin{cases} \text{subscript} \\ \text{denotes mod} \\ 1 \text{ denotes w} \\ \text{boring term} \end{cases}$$

One knows that the image of g^t is $\mathbb{Z}_{1/p, \infty} = \text{laws of height } \infty \text{ mod } p$. Thus

$$\Omega(\text{pt})_p \xrightarrow{\gamma} H_*(\text{mu})$$

killed the coefficients of $[p]_{F^2}(x)$. Now we know that

$$G_{1/p} / \text{Aut}_{1/p}^* \mathcal{O}_a \simeq \mathbb{Z}_{1/p, \infty}$$

and in fact that there is a section due to Cartier which gives

$$G_{1/p} \simeq \mathbb{Z}_{1/p, \infty} \times \text{Aut}_{1/p}^* \mathcal{O}_a$$

From this one ~~saw~~ sees that

$$\Omega(\text{pt})_p \longrightarrow H_*(\text{mu}) \longrightarrow H_*(\text{mu}) \otimes (\alpha/\beta)^\vee$$

is exact in the middle, hence the Wu relations are complete.

Stong-Hattori says Wu relations complete for K .

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The cobordism class of a blowup

Let

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \tilde{Y} & \xrightarrow{i} & \tilde{X} \\ \downarrow g & & \downarrow f \\ Y & \xrightarrow{i} & X \end{array}$$

$$\tilde{Y} = PE \quad E = V.$$

$$\dim E = r$$

be a standard blowup diagram. The problem is to calculate $f_* 1$ in a Chern theory with group law F .

Theorem 1:

$$f_* 1 = 1 + i \left[\text{res} \frac{\omega(z)}{I(z) \prod_{v=1}^r F(z, x_v)} \right]$$

$$\text{where } c_t(E) = \prod_{v=1}^r (1 + t x_v).$$

Proof: May assume the Chern theory involved is Ω .

Let $k: U \rightarrow X$ be the complement of U . As f is an isomorphism off U , $f_* 1 - 1$ has a canonical trivialization over U and so defines an element of $\Omega_Y(X)$. As

$$\iota_X: \Omega(Y) \xrightarrow{\cong} \Omega_Y(X)$$

there is a unique u with $\iota_X u = f_* 1 - 1$ as elements of $\Omega_Y(X)$.

By excision we may assume that X is ~~smooth~~ F with i the zero section and hence that ~~it is~~ i is the zero section of the line bundle $(\mathcal{O}(-1))$ on PE .

The situation is induced by a map $\varphi: X \rightarrow \mathrm{BU}(r)$ transversal to $\mathrm{BU}(r)$ with Y the inverse image of $\mathrm{BU}(r)$ under φ . We can therefore suppose that $Y = \mathrm{BU}(r)$ and X is the canonical bundle E over $\mathrm{BU}(r)$ with i the zero section. Moreover we can then identify j with the zero section of $\mathcal{O}(-1)$ over PE . Finally by splitting principle can assume $Y = \mathrm{BU}(1)^r$.

In this case $c_r E$ is a non-zero divisor, ~~and so~~ and so $\iota^*: \Omega_Y(X) \rightarrow \Omega_Y(Y)$ is injective. It suffices therefore to ~~only~~ prove that

$$\iota^*(f_* 1 - 1) = c_r(E) \operatorname{res} \frac{\omega(z)}{\prod_{v=1}^r F(z, x_v)}$$

Now to calculate the former use the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} PE & \xrightarrow{f} & \mathcal{O}(-1) & \xrightarrow{k} & g^* E \\ \downarrow g & & \downarrow f & & \swarrow h \\ Y & \xrightarrow{i} & E & & \end{array}$$

where k is the natural inclusion in the canonical sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(-1) \xrightarrow{k} g^* E \rightarrow F \rightarrow 0$$

over PE . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \iota^* f_* 1 &= \iota^* h_* k_* 1 = g_* f^* k^* k_* 1 \\ &= g_* f^* c_{r-1}(\nu_k) = g_* c_{r-1}(f^* \nu_k) \\ &= g_*(c_{r-1} F) \end{aligned}$$

so the theorem 1 will follow from

Theorem 2: If F is the canonical quotient bundle on $\mathbb{P}E$, then

$$g_*(c_n, F) = 1 + c_n(E) \text{ res } \frac{\omega(Z)}{I(Z) \prod_{v=1}^n F(x_v, Z)}$$

Proof: We have with $\beta = c_1(\mathcal{O}(1))$, $\eta = c_1(\mathcal{O}(-1)) = I(\beta)$

$$c_t(F) = \frac{c_t(E)}{c_t(\mathcal{O}(-1))} = \frac{c_t(E)}{1+t\eta} = c_t(E)(1-t\eta+t^2\eta^2 - \dots)$$

so

$$c_{n-1}(F) = c_{n-1}(E) + (-\eta)c_{n-2}(E) + \dots + (-\eta)^{n-1}$$

Let

$$\alpha(Z) = c_{n-1}(E) + (-I(Z))c_{n-2}(E) + \dots + (-I(Z))^{n-1}$$

so that

$$\alpha(\beta) = c_{n-1}(F).$$

Then

$$c_n(E) - I(Z)\alpha(Z) = c_n(E) + (-I(Z))c_{n-1}(E) + \dots + (-I(Z))^n$$

~~$$= \prod_{v=1}^n (x_v - I(Z))$$~~

$$= \prod_{v=1}^n [F(x_v, Z) \{ 1 + I(Z) G(I(Z), F(x_v, Z)) \}]$$

so

$$\frac{c_n(E) - I(Z)\alpha(Z)}{\prod_{v=1}^n F(x_v, Z)} = \prod_{v=1}^n [1 + I(Z) G(I(Z), F(x_v, Z))]$$

$$\equiv 1 \pmod{Z}.$$

Therefore

$$g_*(c_{n-1}(F)) = g_*(\alpha(\gamma)) = \text{res} \frac{\alpha(z) \omega(z)}{\prod_{1 \leq v \leq n} F(z, x_v)}$$

$$= \text{res} \frac{I(z) \alpha(z) \omega(z)}{I(z) \prod_{v=1}^n F(z, x_v)}$$

$$= C_n(E) \text{res} \left(\frac{\omega(z)}{I(z) \prod_{v=1}^n F(z, x_v)} \right) + \text{res} \left(\frac{C_n(E) - I(z) \alpha(z)}{\cancel{\prod_{v=1}^n F(x_v, z)}} \cdot \frac{dz}{-I(z)} \right)$$

since $I(z)$ has a simple zero at $z=0$ and $I'(0) = -1$
the last term using (*) is seen to be 1, proving theorem 2.

I now wish to classify those group laws F for
which ~~any~~ Chern theory having the law F has $f_* 1 = 1$ for any
blowup. By universal considerations this means that the
residue term in theorem 1 is always zero.

Theorem 3: Let F be a formal group law over a ring
 R such that

$$(**) \quad \text{res} \frac{\omega(z)}{I(z) \prod_{v=1}^n F(z, x_v)} = 0 \quad n \geq 1$$

for all nilpotent elements x_1, \dots, x_n , $n \geq 1$ in any R -algebra. Then

$$F(X, Y) = X + Y + \beta XY$$

for some $\beta \in R$. Conversely any such F satisfies (**).

Proof: We consider the converse statement first. If ~~$\beta \neq 0$~~

$$F(X, Y) = X + Y + \beta XY$$

then

$$IX = \frac{-X}{1+\beta X}$$

and

$$\omega(X) = \frac{dX}{F_2(X, 0)} = \frac{dx}{1+\beta x}$$

so

$$\operatorname{res} \frac{\omega(Z)}{I(2) \prod_{v=1}^n F(Z, x_v)} = \operatorname{res} \frac{dz}{-Z \left(\prod_v (Z + x_v + \beta x_v) \right)}$$

$$\frac{1}{\prod_{v=1}^n (1+\beta x_v)} \operatorname{res} \frac{dz}{(z) \prod_v \left(z + \frac{x_v}{1+\beta x_v} \right)}$$

which is zero for $n \geq 1$ in virtue of the following

Lemma: Let $f(z), g(z)$ be polynomials over \mathbb{R} with g monic and $\deg f < \deg g = n$. If a is the $(n-1)$ th coefficient of f , then

$$\operatorname{res} \frac{f(z) dz}{g(z)} = a$$

of lemma

Proof: The easiest way to see this is to use that the sum of the residues is zero and that the residue at ∞ is $-a$.

~~to be precise one first replaces \mathbb{R} by an interval~~

~~This strategy~~ One can assume also ~~that the residues~~ To be precise use induction on the degree of g and check the case $n=1$ from the definition of residue. Next one can easily reduce to the case where $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ is a polynomial ring and

$$g(z) = \prod_{i=1}^n (z - x_i).$$

As $x_i - x_j$ is a non-zero divisor in R it follows that we can embed R in the ring $R[(x_i - x_j)]_{i \neq j}$ and so suppose that the $x_i - x_j$ are invertible. Now given f we have

$$f(z) = f_n(z)(z - x_n) + f(x_n)$$

so by induction are reduced to showing ~~this~~ to the case where $f = 1$. ~~By~~ But ~~we have~~ we have by the division algort

$$\prod_{i \neq n} (x_n - x_i) = \prod_{i \neq n} (z - x_i) + g(z)(z - x_n) \quad \text{degree } g \leq n-2$$

~~where~~ where the first is a unit and so are done by induction. This proves the lemma and the converse part of thm 3.

Now suppose ~~that~~ F is a law satisfying $(**)$.

Taking all the $x_i = 0$ we see that

$$\operatorname{res} \frac{\omega(z)}{I(z) z^r} = 0 \quad \text{all } r \geq 1.$$

Now $\frac{\omega(z)}{I(z)} = (-1 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \dots) \frac{dz}{z}$ ~~as~~

$\omega(z)$ is regular and $I(z) = z(-1 + \text{higher terms})$. Thus

$$\frac{\omega(z)}{I(z)} = -\frac{dz}{z}$$

and we are given that

$$\operatorname{res}_{z=1} \frac{dz}{z^n F(z, x)} = 0 \quad n \geq 1.$$

Let x be a nilpotent element in an R -algebra. ~~and~~

Then

$$(z-x) = F(z, Ix)(1 + xG(x, F(z, Ix)))$$

so taking $x_1 = I(x)$ and all other $x_i = 0$ we find

$$\operatorname{res}_{z=x} \frac{1 + xG(x, F(z, Ix))}{z-x} \frac{dz}{z^n} = 0 \quad n \geq 1$$

But we can write by the division algorithm

$$1 + xG(x, F(z, Ix)) = g(z)(z-x) + (1 + xG(x, F(x, Ix)))$$

and this residue is $1 + xG(x, 0)$

$$\operatorname{res}_{z=x} \frac{[1 + xG(x, 0)] dz}{(z-x) z^n} + \operatorname{res}_0 \left[\frac{g(z) dz}{z^n} \right] = 0 \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

" by lemma

As $g(z)$ is regular we must have $g(z) = 0$ so

$$(z-x) = F(z, Ix)(1 + xG(x, 0))$$

Thus as x was an arbitrary nilpotent element of any R -algebra

$$F(z, Ix) = \frac{z-x}{1 + xG(x, 0)}$$

~~$\therefore P(x)$ is~~

Therefore

$$F(X, Y) = X + Y + XY G(X, Y)$$

is linear as a function of X , so $G(X, Y) = G(0, Y)$; ~~symmetric~~
~~symmetric~~ by symmetry $G(X, Y) = G(Y, X)$, so G is a constant β and theorem 3 is proved.

(Remark: See earlier paper for indication that ^{May 30})

$$\operatorname{res} \frac{\omega(z)}{I(z) \pi F(z, x_1)} = \operatorname{res} \frac{\omega(z)}{I(z) z^n} + \text{terms of degree } \geq n \text{ in } x_1, \dots, x_n.$$

This appears below.

We observed before that in the stable range $i: Y \rightarrow X$
^{ex.} $2 \operatorname{codim} > \dim Y^*$, then the cobordism class $f_* 1$, where $f: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$
depends only on $i_* 1$. In fact it seems that

$$f_* 1 - 1 = a \cdot i_* 1$$

where $a \in \Omega^n(\text{pt})$ is the class where i is $*: \text{pt} \rightarrow C^n$, i.e.

$$a = \operatorname{res} \left\{ \frac{\omega(z)}{I(z) z^n} \right\}$$

* This is because by basic naturality the element $f_* 1$ depends only on the map $X \rightarrow MU(k)$ represented by the embedding $Y \hookrightarrow X$.

Proof: The element $f_*[1]$ of $\Omega^0(X)$ is induced by a map $k:X \rightarrow MU(r)$ transversal to $Bu(n)$. As $\dim X \leq 4r-1$, kX may be deformed into the $4r-1$ skeleton of $MU(r)$, hence $k^*(c^\alpha \cdot \text{Thom class}) = 0$ if $|\alpha| \geq r$. Now

$$\begin{aligned} f_*[1] &= \iota_* \left\{ \text{res} - \frac{\omega(Z)}{Z \prod_{v=1}^n F(x_v, IZ)} \right\} \\ &= \iota_* P(c_1, c_2, \dots, c_r) \end{aligned}$$

where $P = \sum \gamma_\alpha c^\alpha$ is a power series. In the stable range we know that the answer depends only on $\iota_*[1]$.

Moreover by the above $\iota_* c^\alpha = 0$ if $|\alpha| \geq r$. Thus one sees that $\gamma_\alpha = 0$ for $0 < |\alpha| < r$,

so $f_*[1] = \iota_*(\gamma_0) = \gamma_0 \cdot \iota_*[1]. \quad ((\iota_*[1])^2 = 0).$

To get γ_0 it suffices to take the case where $\gamma \rightarrow X$ is pt $\rightarrow C^n$.

Corollary of the above proof ^{seems to be} is that

$$\text{Res } \frac{\omega(Z)}{Z \prod_{v=1}^n F(x_v, IZ)} = \text{Res } \frac{\omega(Z)}{Z(IZ)^n} + \text{monomials of degree } \geq r \text{ in the } x_i$$

since $\iota_* : \Omega(\text{BU}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \Omega(MU)$.