

\mathcal{K} fibred category of ~~virtual coverings~~ virtual coverings
 an object of \mathcal{K} over X is a kind of cycles. It is a
 formal sum $\sum m_y [Y]$ where $m_y \in \mathbb{Z}$ and Y
 runs over the finite covering spaces of X . The concept of
 isomorphism class of such things is clear. And now
 an isomorphism ~~between two such~~ or cobordism should be
 what.

Difference between this and algebraic geometry is that a
 cycle does not admit automorphisms so there is no isomorphism
 question involved with the equality of two cycles.

Cobordism of cycles: you ask for one on the product

XI. This is same as equality

~~the~~ \mathcal{K} fibred category in groupoids over S
 then if $f_0, f_1: X \rightarrow Y$ are homotopic, then the homotopy
 gives rise to an isomorphism $f_0^* y \cong f_1^* y$.
 check fibre axiom.

suppose $\Theta: \mathcal{K} \rightarrow E$ is a natural transformation
 i.e. ~~for~~ for each $x \in \mathcal{K}(X)$ have $\Theta_x: X \rightarrow E$ and
 for each $x \xrightarrow{f} y$ over $X \rightarrow Y$ have

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X & \xrightarrow{\Theta_x} & E \\
 f \downarrow & \Theta_x \downarrow & \searrow \\
 Y & \xrightarrow{\Theta_y} & E
 \end{array}$$

satisfying evident compatibility conditions.

now you should also notice that there is a natural map

~~$$k(G \amalg G) \times k(G \amalg G) \rightarrow k(G \amalg G)$$~~

$$k(G \amalg G) \times_{k(G)} k(G \amalg G) \rightarrow k(G \amalg G)$$

Suppose you have an element of $k(G)$ i.e. a integral linear combination of ~~conjugate~~ irreducible G -sets, write it as difference

$$X \cdot (S_0 - S_1) \cdot X \leftarrow (X) \cdot X \cdot (X)$$

of positive disjoint G -sets. Now ~~if this~~ if this goes to zero in $k(G)$, then S_0 and S_1 are isomorphic. Choosing an isomorphism one gets an element of $k(G \amalg G)$.

$$d(S_0, S_1, u) \in A$$

and $d(S_1, S_2, v)$

I want $d(S_0, S_2, w) = d(S_0, S_1, u) + d(S_1, S_2, v)$

so you need an algebraic K-theory to associate to the algebraic general linear groups over a scheme S , i.e. BGL_S . What happens prime to the characteristic tends to be clear? Thus one tends to understand completely what happens prime to the characteristic, i.e. one gets that

$$\pi_{2g}(BGL_S) = T^{\otimes g} \quad T = \text{ Tate motive.}$$

T is an inverse system of finite ^{étale} group schemes over S . hence this is the relative situation. Now you must understand what gives when you start taking sections of this animal and more generally "integrating it" over a map f_X

This style intuition is that alg. K generalizes cohomology. Kummer theory

$$0 \rightarrow BGL(\mathbb{F}_q) \rightarrow BGL_S \xrightarrow{\Psi^q - \text{id}} BGL_S \rightarrow 0 \quad ?$$

If S is a topological space, then $B(GL_S) = S \times BU$ so the sections are space $\underline{Hom}(S, BU)$ whose homotopy groups are $K_X(S)$ cat. of annels

Idea is that GL should be defined ~~over any annel space~~ and gives something over any annel topes. ~~class~~ \mathbb{O} is a non-commutative ring. Something like a generalization of a sheaf.

functor from simplicial sets to simplicial sets which hopefully will ~~the~~ give \underline{k} by truncation say.

Let us assume that we have a bisimplicial set $A_{..}$ and we consider the functor from s. sets to s. sets represented by this:

$$X \longmapsto \text{Hom}(X, \underline{A}_{..}) = Q(X).$$

Then I can ~~the~~ define

$$k_i(X) = \pi_{iH}(Q(X))$$

and I can still ask ~~the~~ for ~~the~~ the required universal ~~the~~ property

so even if you can solve the category problems, it still remains to define ~~the~~ $\underline{k} \rightarrow \underline{E\Psi^0}$. Thus if X is a space and if we are given a word

Thus to a space X associate the Picard category $\underline{E\Psi^0}(X)$ defined by rigidifying $B\mathbb{U}$, etc. Then given an \mathbb{F}_q -vector bundle over X choose a classifying map $f: X \rightarrow BGL_n(\mathbb{F}_q)$ for E is a pair

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} E & \xrightarrow{u} & EGL_n(\mathbb{F}_q) & & \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\ X & \xrightarrow{f} & BGL_n(\mathbb{F}_q) & \xrightarrow[\text{already}]{\text{chosen}} & E\Psi^0 \end{array}$$

and associate ~~the~~ to an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow E' \rightarrow E \rightarrow E'' \rightarrow 0$$

of bundles

better start with
and for n, m

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & & BGL_n(\mathbb{F}_g) \xrightarrow{u_n} E\Psi^g \\
 & & \downarrow \\
 B\Gamma_{mn}(\mathbb{F}_g) & \xrightarrow{(P_1, P_2)} & BGL_m(\mathbb{F}_g) \times BGL_n(\mathbb{F}_g) \xrightarrow{u_m \times u_n} E\Psi^m \times E\Psi^n \\
 & \searrow (in) & \downarrow \mu \\
 & & BGL_{m+n}(\mathbb{F}_g) \xrightarrow{u_{m+n}} E\Psi^{m+n}
 \end{array}$$

so choose such a homotopy. must check transitivity
hence have to worry about the uniqueness of the
homotopy

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & u & \\
 & \downarrow \cong - id & \\
 & u & \\
 & \downarrow & \\
 BG & & E\Psi^g \\
 & & \downarrow
 \end{array}$$

but this should be OKAY again by Atiyah's theorem.

Thus by universal property of the functor \underline{k} this
part should be OKAY, hence if my universal property
holds I get a map ~~to~~ $B \rightarrow E\Psi^g$
of spaces

mult. char. classes

~~state~~ to simplify suppose A is a field and suppose k finite $R = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} R_n$ is a graded anti-commutative A -algebra. Then by a R -valued mult. char. class

$$\Theta(E) = \sum \Theta_n(E) \quad \Theta_n(E) \in H^n(X) \otimes R_n$$

\exists ... somehow there ~~is~~ ^{should be} a universal one represented by $\mathbb{Z}[GQ]$? ~~Yes.~~

i.e. $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}[GQ]$ is a simplicial ring

and in particular a DG ring ~~is~~ To each bundle $E \rightarrow X$ we ~~off~~ want a coh. class

$$X \longrightarrow \Gamma$$

and to each exact sequence I want a homotopy class of maps!!!!

~~the problem~~

If R is a ^{simplicial} differential graded ring

$$\dots \longrightarrow R_2 \rightrightarrows R_1 \rightrightarrows R_0$$

not nec. commutative, then by a multiplicative charac. class with values in R I mean ultimately a hom.

$$\mathbb{Z}[GQ] \longrightarrow R$$

or

$$GQ \longrightarrow R^x \quad Q \longrightarrow \overline{WR}^x$$

or

$$Q \xrightarrow{\tau} R^x$$

basic question which you would really like to solve is to produce something over $G(Q)$, ideally a perfect complex, which would possess Chern classes.

Thus suppose you form cokernel of

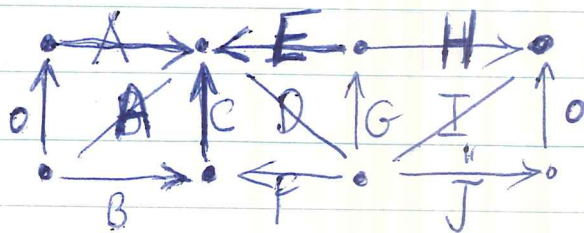
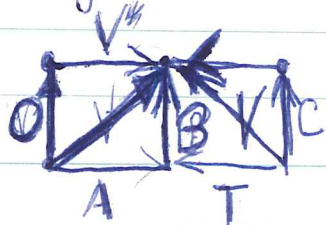
$$B\Gamma_{m,n} \implies BG_{m+n} \longrightarrow C$$

or better you have X with $E' \oplus E''$ over and an exact sequence $0 \rightarrow E' \rightarrow E \rightarrow E'' \rightarrow 0$, and you want to make $E = E' \oplus E''$. So you want to map $G_n \times G_m \rightarrow \Gamma_{m,n}$ an equivalence.

$$0 \rightarrow E' \rightarrow E \rightarrow E'' \rightarrow 0$$

$$G_m \times G_n \rightarrow \Gamma_{m,n}$$

form a 1-recycle on $I \times X$



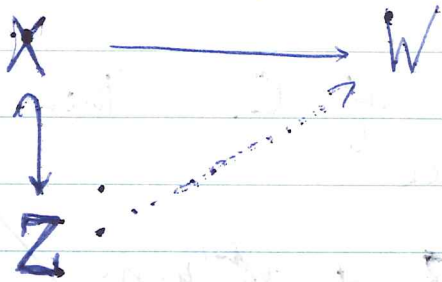
In this setup what I get is

$$A - E + H$$

$$B - F + J$$

and a reason for ~~these~~ these being the same

~~Thus suppose X comp~~



$$\pi_1 W = 0$$

The first obstruction to extending to Z ~~is in~~ are in $H^*(Z, X; \pi_*(W))$ so

This works as long as ~~$\pi_*(W)$ simple~~ W simple.



~~$K(\pi_2 W, 2)$~~



~~quad~~

$$H^*(Z, X; \pi_*(W))$$

$$K(\pi_2 W, 2)$$

$$W_2 = \cancel{K(\pi_2 W, 2)}$$

$$X$$

$$X$$

$$W_1 = \text{pt.}$$

$$K(\pi_2 W, 3)$$

$$Z$$

$$H^3(Z/X, \pi_2 W)$$

$$H^2(X, \pi_2 W)$$

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$$K(\pi_3 W, 3)$$

$$H^3$$

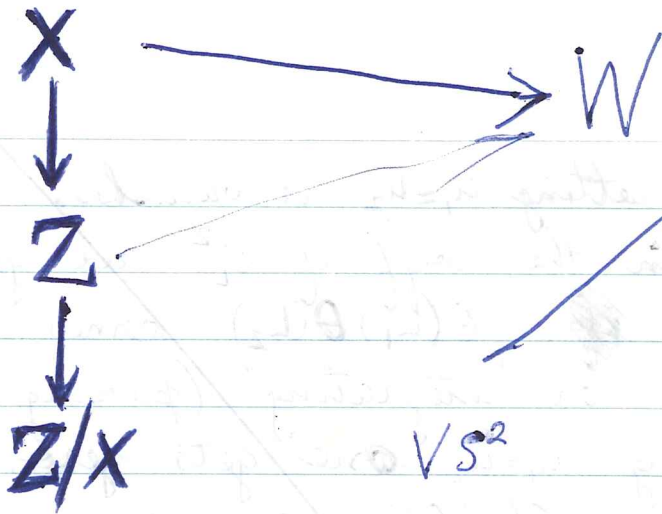
$$X$$

$$W_3$$

$$Z$$

$$W_2$$

$$K(\pi_3 W, 4)$$



so Z/X is contractible because it has no cohomology and is 1 connected since it has only $2+3$ cells.

Suppose W is a 1-connected \swarrow H-space $\pi_1(W) = 0$
 then one knows that

$$[Z, W] \rightarrow [X, W]$$

~~Suppose~~ Suppose W is a space, then

$$\begin{array}{c}
 [Z, \Omega W] \overset{=0}{=} \\
 \downarrow \\
 [Z, \Omega W] \rightarrow [X, \Omega W] \longrightarrow [Z/X, W] \overset{=0}{=} \rightarrow [Z, W] \rightarrow [X, W]
 \end{array}$$

hence $[Z, \Omega W] = [X, \Omega W]$

argument should be modifiable

Killing fdl. gp. without changing H^* .

Suppose $H_1^{\neq}(X) = 0$ X connected

attach 2 cells to kill $\pi_1(X)$.

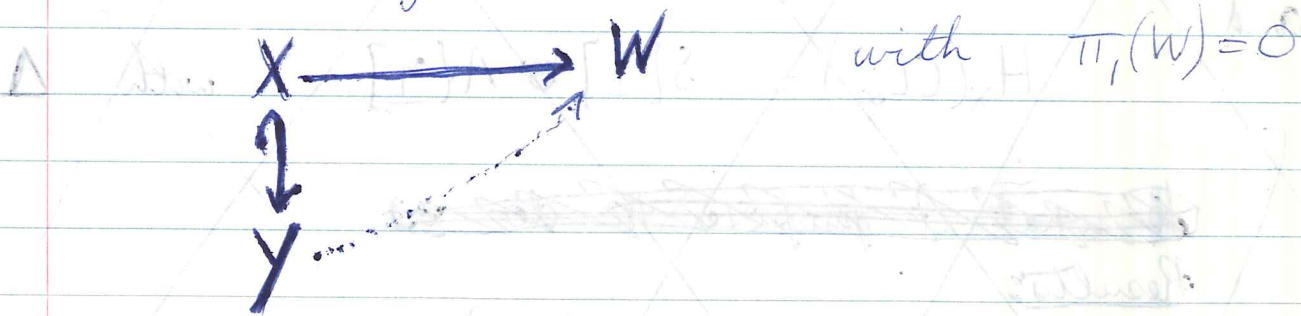
then get Y ∇ $H_0(Y) = H_0(X)$

except $H_2(Y) = H_2(X) +$ free abelian grp
gen. by attached cells.

but $\pi_1(Y) = 0$ so these new elements are spherical so attaching 3 cells can obtain space Z with same homology.

~~if $\pi_1(W) = 0$~~

is this construction functorial up to homotopy at least. Thus given



$$[VS^2, W] \longrightarrow [Y, W] \longrightarrow [X, W] \longrightarrow [VS^1, W]$$

so unique if $\pi_2(W) = 0$, similarly need $\pi_3(W) = 0$ to get a unique extension to Z .

absolutely canonical

k field then $\mu^{\otimes i}$

(of char p)

If k a field, ~~this~~ and suppose one consider the maximal cyclotomic subfield k_0 say finite with q elements. Then

$\mu^{\otimes i}$ is canonical.

e.g. Galois group invariant

because

$$\begin{array}{ccc} k_0 & \longrightarrow & \bar{k}_0 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ k & \longrightarrow & \bar{k} \end{array}$$

$$\text{Gal}(\bar{k}/k) \longrightarrow \text{Gal}(\bar{k}_0/k_0)$$

gen. by Frobenius.

$$x \mapsto x^q$$

let $R = S(P) \otimes S(P)$

$\Delta : R \rightarrow S(P)$

$$S(P) \otimes S(P) \xrightarrow[\Gamma]{\Delta} S(P) \xrightarrow{\pi} S(P)$$

~~ker~~ $\Delta(x \otimes 1) = \Delta(1 \otimes x) = x$

~~ker~~ $\Gamma(x \otimes 1) = x$

$\Gamma(1 \otimes x) = 0x$

$I = \text{Ker } \Delta$ gen. by $x \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes x$

so now I have computed the Chem classes
of ~~the~~ a character $G \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_8(\mu_2)^*$

basic classes $(c'_{rj}) \in H^{2rj}(BGL_n(\mathbb{F}_8), \mu_2^{\otimes rj})$ (c''_{rj})

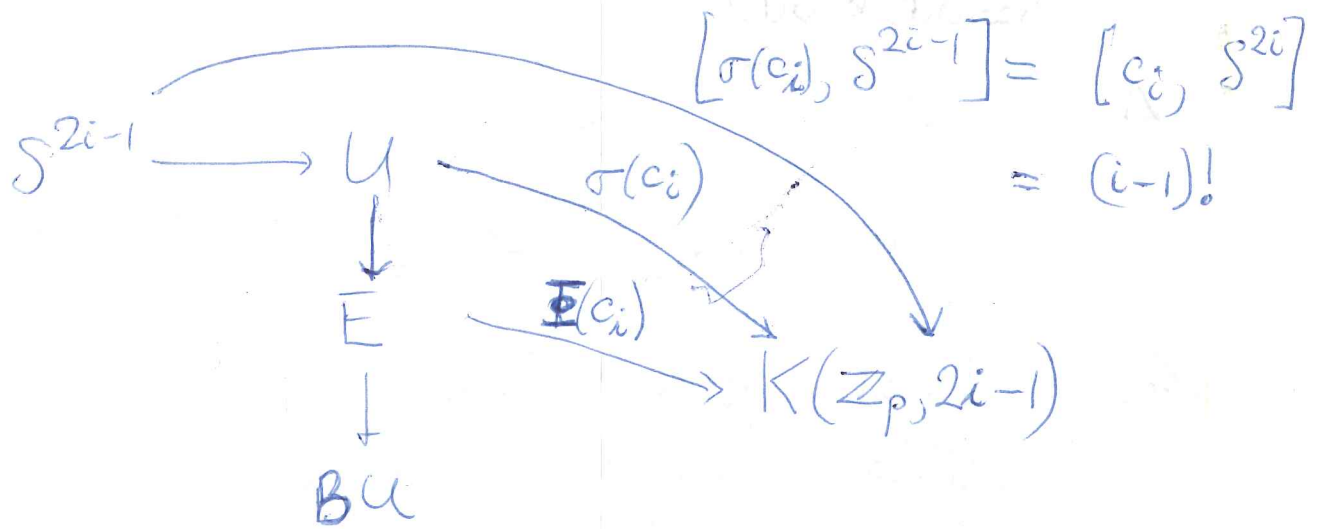
take values in ~~the~~ a certain ring

$c_i(E) \in H^{2i}(\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{F}}_8/\mathbb{F}_8) \times G; \mu_2^{\otimes i})$

this group is zero if $i \neq 0$

\uparrow $(\alpha \oplus \beta)$
 $H^{2i}(G, \mu_2^{\otimes i}) \oplus H^{2i-1}(G, \mu_2^{\otimes i})$

$E_2^p = H^p(G, H^q(\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{F}}_8/\mathbb{F}_8), \mu_2^{\otimes i})) \Rightarrow H^{p+q}(\text{Gal} \times G, \mu_2^{\otimes i})$



question: How bad is $(i-1)!$ in comparison with $q^i - 1$

answer: is very bad since as i goes to infinity

$$v_\ell((i-1)!) \sim (i-1) \left(\frac{1}{\ell} + \frac{1}{\ell^2} + \dots \right)$$

$$\frac{i-1}{\ell} \left(\frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{\ell}} \right) = \frac{i-1}{\ell-1}$$

It is linear in i with slope $\frac{1}{\ell-1}$

while $v_\ell(q^i - 1) = i v_\ell(q - 1)$

This is linear in i with slope $v_\ell(q - 1)$. ~~Completely~~

Conclusion is that the ~~map~~ map

$$K_{2i-1}(\mathbb{F}_q) \xrightarrow{\mu_{q^i-1}^{\otimes i}} \varprojlim_n H^1(\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{F}_q}/\mathbb{F}_q), \mu_\ell^{\otimes i}) = \mu_{q^i-1}^{\otimes i}$$

is multiplication by $(i-1)!$

I have to produce ^{independent} a proof of the existence of the c_i and c_i'' in part II

X polyhedron

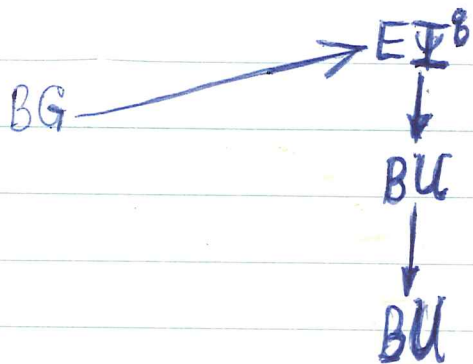
~~topos~~ topoes

Suppose you form inductive limit of various topoes associated to finer & finer triangulations then do you get all sheaves. First take the usual limit and

$$U \subset X \text{ open, then } \mathbb{Z}_U = \varinjlim \mathbb{Z}_V$$

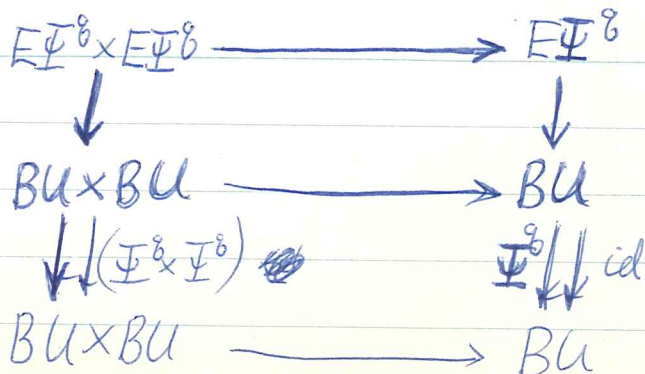
V open subset of an open subpolyhedron so it seems clear that one must obtain all sheaves.

Existence of c_i' c_i'' topologically

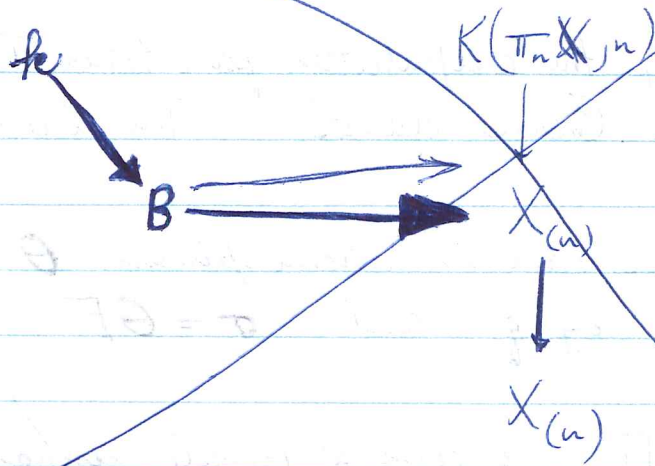


so you produce elements c_i' $c_i'' \in H^*(E\mathbb{Z}^0)$ by your method

so you must know how these behave under sums

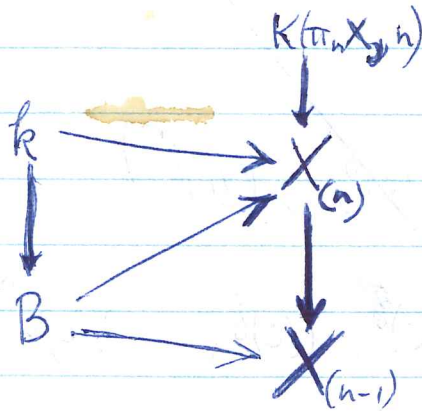


And the problem I ~~run~~ ^{run} into is uniqueness of the lifting.



Let us first suppose that the difference of these two maps from B to $K(\pi_n X, n)$ is an H -space map, i.e.

and the problem is commutativity of



point is that we don't yet know that

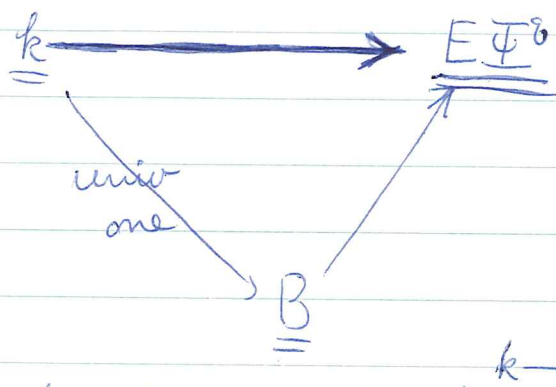
$$\text{Hom}(k, K(\pi_n X, n)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(k, X^{(n)}) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(k, X^{(n-1)})$$

is exact. \square

Thus suppose for each $E \rightarrow Y$ you give a homotopy class.

Maybe you have to formulate the desired condition 2-universally, e.g.

The idea is that a cartesian functor



what you have already is a functor, but you need a one of fibred cats.

The other thing you want to be able to handle is cohomology, and for this you must know that

$$\pi_0 \text{Homcart}(\underline{k}, \underline{K}(A, \mathcal{G})) = \text{Hom}(k, H^0(\mathcal{G}, A)).$$

Modulo these two unknowns the theory should work.

Back to simplicial setup. Thus we study

$Q(X)_1 =$ set of R-v. bundles ~~is~~ over X .

but instead we take

$$= \text{Hom}(X, B_1)$$

$$B_0 = B\{0\}$$

$$B_1 = B\{\text{Cat}(V)\}$$

$Q(X)_2 =$ set of exact sequences

instead take

$$= \text{Hom}(X, B_2)$$

$$B_2 = B\{\text{Cat}(\text{exact sequences})\}$$

and similarly for all $Q(X)_n$. Thus get a

scratch:

terrifically confusing.

I have been looking at category of R -vector bundles over X , which is not a functor of X in the strict sense. make it so, at least the objects. Choose representatives for the proj. f.t. R -modules; form a set ∇ . then consider

$$\coprod_{P \in \nabla} B \text{Aut}(P)$$

and form category of ~~of~~ exact sequences
~~Classifying space of the category of exact sequences.~~

analogy is this: think of k as $H_0(L)$ where L is a ^{chain} complex in an abelian category. Think of k ~~as~~ L itself and k , ~~as~~ as $H_1(L)$. Then I want to think of B as a complex B . and what I think I should gain by working with 2-cats, etc. is ~~as~~ embodied by the difference between

$$\text{Hom}_0(L, B) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Hom}(H_0(L), H_0(B)).$$

keep up the analogy:

Go on to what you need to finish off your theorem. Thus you have constructed a natural transformation $k \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}[E\Psi^0]$ but you need more, namely a functor

$$\underline{k} \longrightarrow \underline{E\Psi^0}$$

Suppose I have two cartesian functors

$$\theta_i : \underline{k} \longrightarrow \underline{X},$$

~~such~~ such that $f\theta_1$ is isomorphic to $f\theta_2$. What θ_1 does is to for each space S associate a functor

$$\underline{k}(S) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}(S, X)$$

plus functoriality for all maps in \underline{k} . Thus if I am given a map $u: S' \rightarrow S$ and a map of virtual bundles $v: X' \rightarrow X$ over u , then I want to have a homotopy $\theta_i(v)$ ~~making~~ making

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S' & \xrightarrow{u} & S \\ & \searrow \theta_i(X') & \swarrow \theta_i(X) \\ & & X \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \theta_i(v) \\ \Downarrow \\ \theta_i(v) \end{array}$$

commute, plus transitivity, etc. Now suppose $\{$ is an isomorphism from $f\theta_1$ to $f\theta_2$, so for each pair (S, σ) I have a homotopy ~~between~~ $\{ (S, \sigma)$

$$S \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f\theta_1(S, \sigma)} \\ \xrightarrow{f\theta_2(S, \sigma)} \end{array} Y .$$

Then let $\beta(S, \sigma) = (\theta_1(S, \sigma), \{ (S, \sigma), \theta_2(S, \sigma)) : S \rightarrow X \times_Y Y \times_Y X$

~~side what I ~~will~~ probably need is to express the~~

I form a fibred category over the homotopy category, associating to each X the Picard category $\underline{k}(X)$ generated by R -vector bundles over X . An object of $\underline{k}(X)$ might be defined to be an element of the free group generated by the set of ~~vector~~ R -vector bundles over X . On the other hand given a space B I can form the fibred category \underline{B} over the homotopy category ~~where~~ where $\underline{B}(X) = \text{Hom}(X, B)$ and maps are homotopy classes of homotopies. Note that a map $B_1 \rightarrow B_2$ induces a functor $\underline{B}_1 \rightarrow \underline{B}_2$ over \mathcal{H}_0 and that homotopic maps give rise to isomorphic functors.

The basic question is now whether there exists a ~~morphism~~ morphism of fibred categories $\underline{k} \rightarrow \underline{B}$ which is universal, i.e. given $\underline{k} \rightarrow \underline{B}'$ there is a ~~map~~ map $f: \underline{B} \rightarrow \underline{B}'$ and an isomorphism θ rendering

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \underline{k} & \longrightarrow & \underline{B} \\ & \searrow & \downarrow \theta \\ & & \underline{B}' \end{array}$$

~~and~~ and the pair (θ, f) is unique in some sense.

The semi-simplicial approach is wrong! Only a universal approach is categorically acceptable.

So ~~suppress~~ before giving up the simplicial stuff observe that if $Q(X)$ is the simplicial set constructed out of R -vector bundles over X , then there is a map

$$Q(X) \longrightarrow \underline{\text{Hom}}(X, Q)$$

or equivalently a map

$$X \times Q(X) \longrightarrow Q.$$

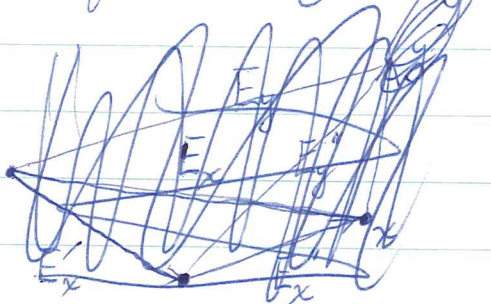
Indeed ~~is~~ a map $Y \longrightarrow X \times Q(X)$ is the same thing as a pair consisting of a map $u: Y \longrightarrow X$ and a 1-cocycle for Y with values in R -vector bundles over X . So if y is a 1-simplex in Y , then associate to y the R -module $f'(y) = f(y)_{u(y)}$ i.e. the fiber of $f(y)$ over the 1-simplex $u(y)$. ~~Then~~ Then ~~f'~~ f' is a 1-cocycle on Y with values in R -modules, so we have a map $Y \longrightarrow Q$.

Ideas: to $Q(X)$ I associate the Picard category $\underline{k}(X)$, say defined as the Postnikov part of $G(Q(X))$. Then what I ~~want~~ want to produce is a map of Picard categories from

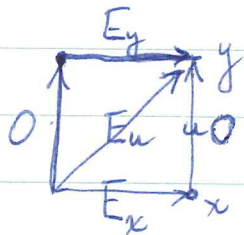
$$\underline{k}(X) \longrightarrow \underline{\Pi}(X, E\mathbb{F}^{\circ})$$

when I have a finite field. ~~But from the theoretical~~

~~bundle over X . If $0 \rightarrow E' \rightarrow E \rightarrow E'' \rightarrow 0$ is an exact sequence then you form a simplicial set $\mathcal{E}^2 X$~~



Perhaps it is slightly better to use the suspension $\Sigma X = \Delta(1) \times X / \partial \Delta(1) \times X$ and to associate the 1-cocycle which over the product of $\Delta(1)$ and a 1-simplex u looks like



The reason is that if $0 \rightarrow E' \rightarrow E \rightarrow E'' \rightarrow 0$ is an exact sequence of R -bundles over X , then we get a map

$$\Delta(2) \times X / \partial \Delta(2) \times X \longrightarrow Q$$

whose faces are the maps associated to E', E , and E'' . This shows that we get a map

$$k(X) \longrightarrow \pi_1 \underline{\text{Hom}}(X, Q)$$

for any "space" X (note that the Grothendieck group as a group defined by generators + relations is necessarily abelian since $E' \oplus E''$ fits into ^{two} exact sequences.)

Situation:

For each $n \geq 0$ I have a simplicial set (n -reduced) $Q(n)$ and probably maps $\Sigma Q(n) \rightarrow Q(n+1)$ which come from the fact an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow V_0 \rightarrow V_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow V_{n+1} \rightarrow 0$$

can be extended one more step by adding 0 at the end (or ~~beginning~~ depending on how $\Sigma Q(n)$ is defined).

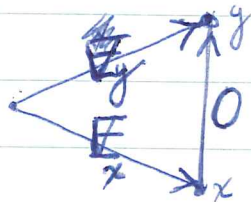
Problem 1: Is induced map $\pi_i Q(n) \rightarrow \pi_{i+1} Q(n+1)$ an isomorphism?

If so then the cup product maps

$$Q_R(p) \times Q_S(q) \rightarrow Q_{R \otimes S}(p+q)$$

will give the appropriate product structures on K -groups. (How about λ -operations? seem OKAY in char 0!)

Suppose E is a (R -) vector bundle over X . Then over each vertex you get a vertex so over ΣX you get for each 1 simplex a vector space



this is a typical 2-simplex in the cone on X .

This shows that there is a map

$$\Sigma X \rightarrow Q = Q(1)$$

~~is associated to an element of~~ associated to an R -vector bundle over X .

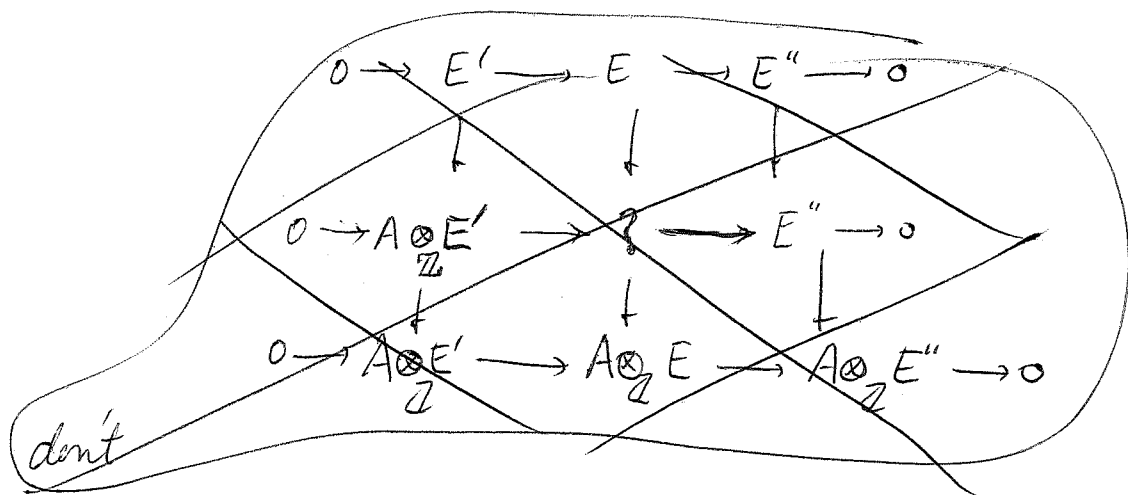
part of paper on algebraic K-theory

~~theorems~~ theorems:

$$I. \quad BGL^+ = \Omega B(\coprod_n BG_n)_0$$

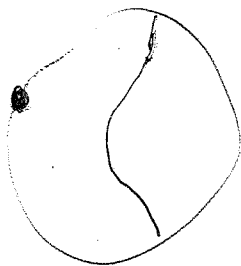
$$II. \quad K_i A \simeq K_i A.$$

stability: manifold X compact with basepoint
 then get a framed codim 2 variety Z must be done in a certain order.

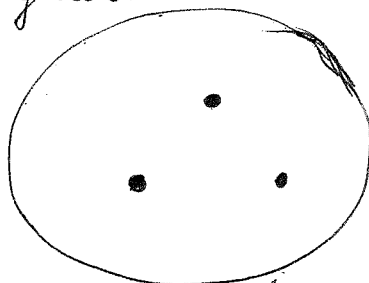


and a representation of $\pi_1(X-Z)$ except that certain ramification behavior is to take place.

~~each of the ramification pieces is clearly refined.~~



so over the 2-sphere I get
 so the fundamental group is free
 group on generators



cobordism is a bit amusing for then singularities come in.

Problems: Suppose $K(X)$ is a representable contravariant functor from finite complexes to Ab endowed with ~~traces~~ traces for finite coverings. Does K extend to a generalized cohomology theory? (Legal needs $K(X)$ defined for all CW complexes X , I think.)

Suppose $K(X)$ has a natural ring structure such that the projection formula holds. Then does the cohomology theory $K^*(X)$ admit products?

In the case of the connected theory $k^*(X, A)$ does Ψ^b extend to a stable cohomology operation when denominators are introduced? And how about the filtration properties signalled by Milgram as a possible method of attack on the stability problem? Any relation between the two kinds of stability?

If \mathcal{A} is a small abelian category and we form $\Omega | \mathcal{C} |$ is its homology the same as what one gets from characteristic classes?

Connection of algebraic K-theory and the theory of motives: Fix some groundfield k and consider algebraic schemes over k . Assume that k is ~~small~~ ^{absolute} small, i.e. of finite type whence one expects that ~~etale~~ ^{etale} cohomology is a good functor in the sense that it ~~detects~~ detects lots of stuff. To each scheme ~~XXXXXX~~ X , let $K_*(X)$ be the rational K-groups. Then $K_*(X)$ should satisfy the projective bundle theorem, and this suggests strongly that it has a Gysin homomorphism; assume so. Wait. Let's review the proj. bundle thm. Thus if E is a vector bundle over X , one knows that $R(G, PE)$ is a free module over $R(G, X)$ with standard generators, and this isomorphism is compatible with ~~the~~ changes in G . Thus the universal map

$$\underline{\omega}(1) \quad \underline{X(K)}R(G, PE) \quad H^0(G, K_*(PE))$$

Thus $\underline{\omega}(1)$ defines an element ~~in~~ $K_0(PE)$ and $K_{\frac{1}{2}}(PE)$ is a free module over $K_{\frac{1}{2}}(X)$ with usual basis and relation. So what we're getting is the various difference in weights already in K_0 . Thus if there is a Gysin morphism it is of ~~degree~~ degree 0 for the grading but changes the weights in the appropriate way.

Conjecture which should be answerable: Show that ~~the~~ the Adams operations on K_* admit eigenspaces ~~with the~~ of the standard sort.

What's missing is a type of periodicity result which would connect up K-groups of different dimensions.

Grand conjecture would run like this: Take the groups K_* and rearrange the grading so as to be by weights. Vaguely the K-groups should measure the deficiency between motives and cohomology. Nonsense.

The reason that $BGL_{\infty}(A)^+$ is an H-space should follow exactly the way it does for BU once you work with the spaces $BGL_n(A)^+$ and the fact that these pointed spaces have the homotopies that you need. Stability theorem should be absolutely formal due to the fact that the cells you are mixing with are of dimensions 2 and 3. Thus an honest bundle has the property that

$$BGL_n(A)^+ = BGL_n \cup e_2 \cup e_3$$

Suppose that X^n is an n-manifold. Then a map to $BGL_n(A)^+$ should be first of all a

Program: Characteristic classes ~~of~~ with field coefficients. Formula for the rational K groups.

Universal property of $K_*(A)_{\mathbb{Q}}$: There is a natural transformation $\text{from } \underline{C} \text{ to } \underline{Ab}$

$$R_A(G) \longrightarrow H^0(G, K_*(A)_{\mathbb{Q}})$$

which is additive and which is universal which ~~enjoys the~~ is a universal additive transformation from R_A to cohomology with ~~the~~ coefficients in a ~~rational~~ vector space ~~of~~ over \mathbb{Q} .

Corollary: If A is commutative, then there is a unique ring structure on $K_*(A)_{\mathbb{Q}}$ such that the above is a ring homomorphism.

What about the \mathbb{U}^k ? They must act on $K_*(A)_{\mathbb{Q}}$; ~~it~~ is it reasonable to expect that they give a weight decomposition of this space, ~~or~~ i.e. ~~how~~ does it split up as a direct sum of eigenspaces for the various characters of \mathbb{G}_m . For example there is the homo

$$\text{ch} : K_*(A)_{\mathbb{Q}} \longrightarrow \bigoplus_i H^{2i-*}(\text{Spec } A, T_{\mathbb{G}_m}^{\otimes i})_{\mathbb{Q}}$$

and one knows ~~that the weight space~~ how the \mathbb{U}^k act on the ch_i . Thus if the homo. above is something like an isomorphism, then

$$c_i : K_a(X)_{\mathbb{Q}} \longrightarrow H^{2i-a}(\text{Spec } A, T_{\mathbb{G}_m}^{\otimes i})$$

should be the projection on the part of weight i .

~~Connection with the theory of motives is becoming pretty clear now.~~ MP