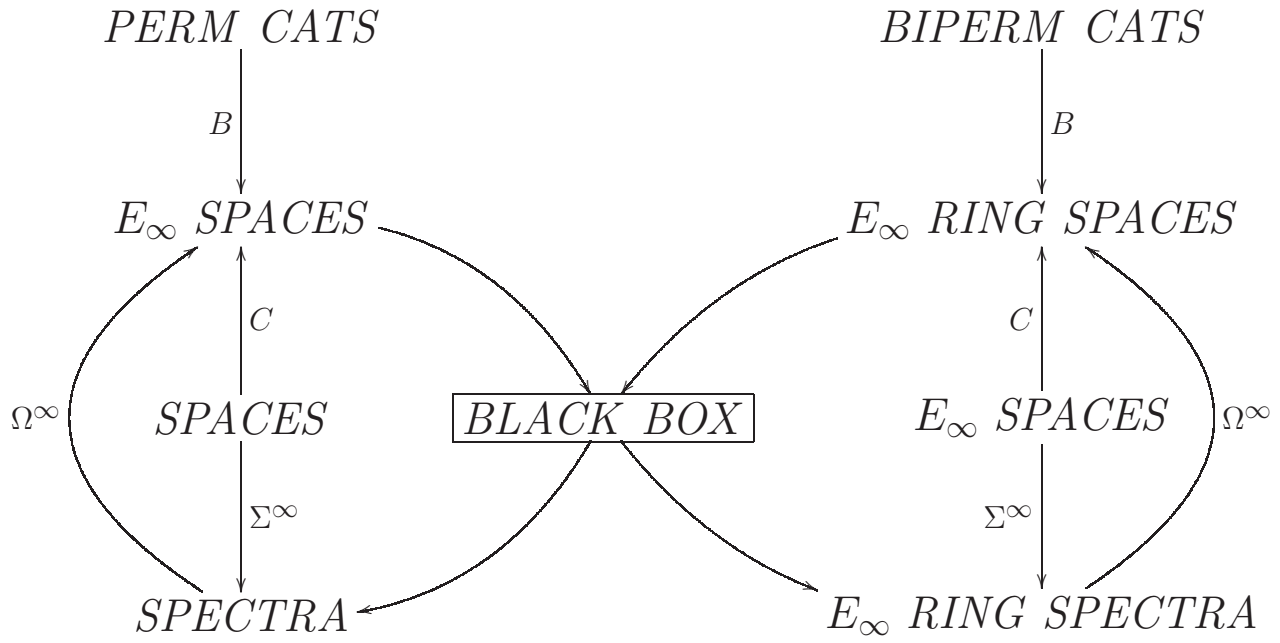
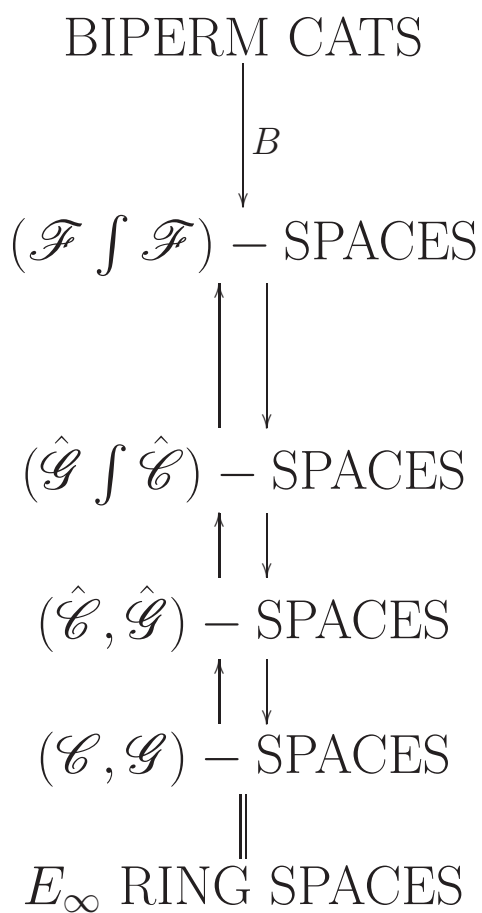
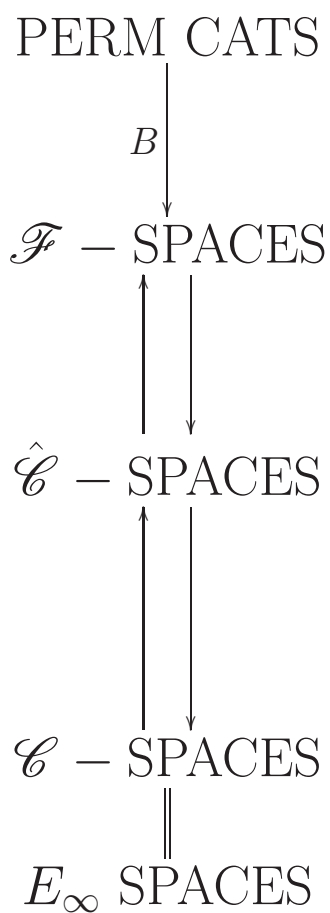


E_∞ RING THEORY

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E_∞ ring spaces

OPERAD: Σ_j -spaces $\mathcal{O}(j)$, $\mathcal{O}(0) = \{*\}$
(basepts), $\text{id} \in \mathcal{O}(1)$ (identity operation),

$$\gamma: \mathcal{O}(k) \times \mathcal{O}(j_1) \times \cdots \times \mathcal{O}(j_k) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(j_1 + \cdots + j_k).$$

Associative, unital, equivariant.

\mathcal{O} -space X :

$$\theta: \mathcal{O}(j) \times X^j \longrightarrow X.$$

OPERAD PAIR: ‘Additive’, ‘multiplicative’
operads \mathcal{C} , \mathcal{G} ,

$$\lambda: \mathcal{G}(k) \times \mathcal{C}(j_1) \times \cdots \times \mathcal{C}(j_k) \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}(j_1 \cdots j_k).$$

Distributive, unital, equivariant, nullary.

$(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{G})$ -space: \mathcal{C} -space and \mathcal{G} -space X

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{G}(k) \times \mathcal{C}(j_1) \times X^{j_1} \times \cdots \times \mathcal{C}(j_k) \times X^{j_k} & \xrightarrow{\text{id} \times \theta^k} & \mathcal{G}(k) \times X^k \\ \xi \downarrow & & \downarrow \xi \\ \mathcal{C}(j_1 \cdots j_k) \times X^{j_1 \cdots j_k} & \xrightarrow{\theta} & X \end{array}$$

ξ on left induced from λ and ξ on X .

Monadic reinterpretation

Monad O in \mathcal{T} = based spaces
 \mathcal{O} -spaces $\cong O$ -algebras.

$$OX = \coprod \mathcal{O}(j) \times_{\Sigma_j} X^j / (\sim)$$

\sim = basepoint identifications

$(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{G})$: G ‘acts’ on C ;

C induces a monad on $G[\mathcal{T}]$,

CG becomes a monad on \mathcal{T} .

Isomorphic categories:

$(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{G})$ – spaces

C – algebras in $G[\mathcal{T}]$

CG – algebras in \mathcal{T} .

Lewis May spectra; QX

$U = \mathbb{R}^\infty$; $V \subset W \subset U$ fin dim.

Prepectrum $T: TV \longrightarrow \Omega^{W-V}TW$

Spectrum $E: EV \xrightarrow{\cong} \Omega^{W-V}EW$

Spectrification L , forgetful ℓ :

$$\mathcal{S}(LT, E) \cong \mathcal{P}(T, \ell E)$$

$$\mathcal{P}(\{\Sigma^V X\}, T) \cong \mathcal{T}(X, T_0)$$

$$\Sigma^\infty X = L\{\Sigma^V X\} \quad \Omega^\infty E = E_0.$$

$$\mathcal{S}(\Sigma^\infty X, E) \cong \mathcal{T}(X, \Omega^\infty E)$$

$$QX = \operatorname{colim} \Omega^V \Sigma^V X = \Omega^\infty \Sigma^\infty X$$

Approximation Theorem

There is a map of monads

$$\alpha: C \longrightarrow Q$$

on \mathcal{T} such that

$$\alpha: CX \longrightarrow QX$$

is a group completion for all X , hence a weak equivalence for all connected X .

Canonical operad pair

Linear isometries operad \mathcal{L} .

$$\mathcal{L}(j) = \mathcal{I}(U^j, U)$$

\mathcal{L} acts on the Steiner operad \mathcal{C} , a variant of the infinite little cubes operad.

\mathcal{C} acts on $\Omega^\infty E$; α is the composite

$$CX \xrightarrow{C\eta} CQX \xrightarrow{C\theta} QX.$$

\mathcal{L} and \mathcal{C} are E_∞ operads: their j^{th} spaces are Σ_j -free and contractible.

E_∞ ring spectra

External smash products $T \bar{\wedge} T'$, $E \bar{\wedge} E'$:

$$(T \bar{\wedge} T')(V, V') = TV \wedge T'V'$$

$$(E \bar{\wedge} E') = L(\ell E \bar{\wedge} \ell E')$$

$T^{[j]}$: external j -fold smash power.

$f: U \longrightarrow U'$ induces $f^*: \mathcal{P}(U') \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}(U)$.

$$(f^*T')(V) = T'(fV)$$

Restricts to $f^*: \mathcal{S}(U') \longrightarrow \mathcal{S}(U)$.

Left adjoints f_* on \mathcal{P} , $f_* = Lf_*\ell$ on \mathcal{S} .

\mathcal{L} -prespectrum T : maps of prespectra

$$\xi_j(f): f_*T^{[j]} \longrightarrow T$$

for all $f \in \mathcal{L}(j)$; suitably continuous and compatible with operad structure on \mathcal{L} .

$$\mathcal{L}(j) \rtimes T^{[j]} \longrightarrow T.$$

$$\mathcal{L}(j) \rtimes E^{[j]} \longrightarrow E.$$

Monadic reinterpretation; Ω^∞

Monad L_+ on \mathcal{T} wrt \wedge rather than \times :

$$L_+X = \bigvee_{j \geq 0} \mathcal{L}(j)_+ \wedge_{\Sigma_j} X^{(j)}.$$

Monad L_+ on \mathcal{S} analogously:

$$L_+E = \bigvee_{j \geq 0} \mathcal{L}(j) \times_{\Sigma_j} E^{[j]}.$$

$$L_+\Sigma^\infty X \cong \Sigma^\infty L_+X$$

$$\mathcal{S}(\Sigma^\infty X, E) \cong \mathcal{T}(X, \Omega^\infty E)$$

induces

$$L_+[\mathcal{S}](\Sigma^\infty Y, R) \cong L_+[\mathcal{T}](Y, \Omega^\infty R).$$

- The monad Q on \mathcal{T} induces a monad Q on $L_+[\mathcal{T}]$; for an \mathcal{L} -spectrum R , $\Omega^\infty R$ is a Q -algebra, hence a C -algebra, in $L_+[\mathcal{T}]$.
- Therefore $\Omega^\infty R$ is an E_∞ ring space.
- The 1-component and unit components $SL_1 R$ and $GL_1 R$ of $\Omega^\infty R$ are \mathcal{L} -spaces.
- Therefore $SL_1 R$ and $GL_1 R$ are the 0^{th} spaces of spectra $sl_1 R$ and $gl_1 R$.

Orientation theory

$F(X, Y)$: based maps $X \longrightarrow Y$

$$\circ: F(Y, Z) \times F(X, Y) \longrightarrow F(X, Z)$$

$E \in \mathcal{S}$, $E_0 \cong \Omega^V EV$ for $V \subset U = \mathbb{R}^\infty$.

$$\circ: F(S^V, EV) \times F(S^V, S^V) \longrightarrow F(S^V, EV)$$

$$E_0 \times \Omega^V \Sigma^V S^0 \longrightarrow E_0$$

R a ring spectrum. 1970's notations:

$$SF = SL_1S \quad F = GL_1S$$

$$SFR = SL_1R \quad FR = GL_1R$$

Think of F as a functor $\mathcal{I} \longrightarrow \text{monoids}$:

$$FV = hAut(S^V) \subset F(S^V, S^V)$$

G an \mathcal{I} -monoid (or group) mapping to F :

$$GV \times GV \longrightarrow GV \quad GV \longrightarrow FV$$

$$SGV \times SGV \longrightarrow SGV \quad SGV \longrightarrow SFV$$

$$B(FR, GV, S^V) \rightarrow B(FR, GV, *) \equiv B(GV; R)$$

(or with FR, GV replaced by SFR, SGV)

Classifying spaces for R -oriented V -sphere bundles, or with preassigned $H\mathbb{Z}$ -orientation.

Pass to colimits. Get classifying spaces

$$B(G; R) \quad B(SG; R)$$

for stable R -oriented sphere bundles.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 SG & \longrightarrow & SFR & \longrightarrow & B(SG; R) & \longrightarrow & BSG \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 G & \longrightarrow & FR & \longrightarrow & B(G; R) & \longrightarrow & BG \\
 \parallel & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \parallel \\
 G & \longrightarrow & \pi_0(R)^\times & \longrightarrow & B(G; \pi_0 R) & \longrightarrow & BG
 \end{array}$$

PUNCH LINE: If R is an E_∞ ring spectrum, this is a diagram of \mathcal{L} -spaces, hence has an associated diagram of connective spectra.

Universal obstruction to R -orientability:

$$w: BSG \longrightarrow BSFR = BSGL_1 R$$

E.g: $G = O$ or $G = F$, $R = kO$:

$$w = w_2: BSF \longrightarrow BO_\otimes$$

Theorem 1. *At $p > 2$,*

$$BSTOP \simeq B(SF; kO)$$

as E_∞ -spaces: equivalent spectra.

Theorem 2. *At $p > 2$,*

$$MSTOP \simeq M(SF; kO)$$

as E_∞ -ring spectra.

BCokerJ, MCokerJ: Can compute!!!

Algebraic and topological K -theory

$$KR \equiv EB\mathcal{G}\mathcal{L}R$$

$$\mathcal{G}\mathcal{L}R = \coprod_{n \geq 0} GL(n, R)$$

E is the BLACK BOX functor

Fix a prime q .

Brauer lift (Quillen, plus May-Tornehave):

Theorem 3. *Completed away from q , $K\bar{\mathbb{F}}_q$ and kU are equivalent ring spectra. For $r = q^a$, Frobenius and Adams agree:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} K\bar{\mathbb{F}}_q & \xrightarrow{\phi^r} & K\bar{\mathbb{F}}_q \\ \simeq \downarrow & & \downarrow \simeq \\ kU & \xrightarrow{\psi^r} & kU \end{array}$$

Multiplicative Brauer lift (May-Tornehave):

Theorem 4. *Completed away from q , $sl_1 K\bar{\mathbb{F}}_q$ and $sl_1 KU$ are equivalent spectra.*

$$sl_1 KU_p \simeq K(\mathbb{Z}_p, 2) \times bsu_p$$

Complete at $p > 2$, $p \neq q$.

Let $r = q^a$ be a unit mod p^2 .

Write bR for the connected cover of KR .

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} K\mathbb{F}_r & \longrightarrow & K\bar{\mathbb{F}}_q & \xrightarrow{\phi^r-1} & bR \\ \simeq \downarrow & & \downarrow \simeq & & \downarrow \simeq \\ j & \longrightarrow & kU & \xrightarrow{\psi^r-1} & bU \end{array}$$

Theorem 5. *There is a composite “exponential equivalence”*

$$b\mathbb{F}_r \longrightarrow sl_1 S \longrightarrow sl_1 \mathbb{F}_r$$

So $sl_1 S$ splits. Infinite loop space splitting

$$SF \simeq J \times \text{Coker } J.$$

As infinite loop spaces,

$$B \text{Coker } J \simeq B(SF; K\mathbb{F}_r)$$

$$BO \times B \text{Coker } J \simeq B(SF; kO) \simeq B(SF; K\bar{\mathbb{F}}_q).$$

Additive recognition principle

Theorem 6. *For a \mathcal{C} -space X , define*

$$EX = B(\Sigma^\infty, C, X).$$

EX is connective. There is a diagram of maps of C -spaces

$$X \xleftarrow{\varepsilon} B(C, C, X) \xrightarrow{B\alpha} B(Q, C, X) \xrightarrow{\zeta} \Omega^\infty EX.$$

*ε is a homotopy equivalence, inverse η ;
 ζ is a weak equivalence; $B\alpha$ is a group completion. Therefore the composite*

$$\eta: X \longrightarrow \Omega^\infty EX$$

is a group completion. It is a weak equivalence if X is grouplike.

For a spectrum Y , there is a composite map of spectra

$$\varepsilon: E\Omega^\infty Y \xrightarrow{B\alpha} B(\Sigma^\infty, Q, \Omega^\infty Y) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} Y.$$

Apply Ω^∞ . The maps of \mathcal{C} -spaces

$$\Omega^\infty E\Omega^\infty Y \xrightarrow{\Omega^\infty B\alpha} \Omega^\infty B(\Sigma^\infty, Q, \Omega^\infty Y) \xrightarrow{\Omega^\infty \varepsilon} \Omega^\infty Y$$

are weak equivalences. Therefore ε is a weak equivalence if Y is connective.

Conclusion: *E and Ω^∞ induce an equivalence between the homotopy category of grouplike E_∞ spaces and the homotopy category of connective spectra.*

[Can replace by \mathcal{C} by $\mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{L}$, $\mathcal{C} \times \mathcal{D}$, etc.]

Multiplicative recognition principle

Theorem 7. *For a $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{L})$ -space X ,*

$$EX = B(\Sigma^\infty, C, X)$$

is a connective \mathcal{L} -spectrum. All maps in the diagram

$$X \xleftarrow{\varepsilon} B(C, C, X) \xrightarrow{B\alpha} B(Q, C, X) \xrightarrow{\zeta} \Omega^\infty EX$$

are maps of $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{L})$ -spaces. Therefore the composite

$$\eta: X \longrightarrow \Omega^\infty EX$$

is a ring completion.

For an \mathcal{L} -spectrum Y , the maps

$$\varepsilon: E\Omega^\infty Y \xrightarrow{B\alpha} B(\Sigma^\infty, Q, \Omega^\infty Y) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} Y$$

are maps of \mathcal{L} -spectra and the maps

$$\Omega^\infty E\Omega^\infty Y \xrightarrow{\Omega^\infty B\alpha} \Omega^\infty B(\Sigma^\infty, Q, \Omega^\infty Y) \xrightarrow{\Omega^\infty \varepsilon} \Omega^\infty Y$$

are maps of $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{L})$ -spaces.

Conclusion: E and Ω^∞ induce an equivalence between the homotopy category of ringlike E_∞ ring spaces and the homotopy category of connective E_∞ ring spectra.

Localizations of unit spectra

Let X be an E_∞ ring space, e.g. $\Omega^\infty R$.

Let $N = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\} \subset \pi_0 X$.

Let $M \subset N$ be a multiplicative subset, for example $\{p^i\}$ or $\{n \mid (n, p) = 1\}$.

Let $X_M = \coprod X_m$, union of components.

Mild homological convergence condition.

Theorem 8. *As an E_∞ space, the localization of $SL_1 E = \Omega_1^\infty E(X, \theta)$ at M is the basepoint component $\Omega_1^\infty E(X_M, \xi)$.*

$E(X, \theta)$ is defined using X as a \mathcal{C} -space. The localizations of $SL_1 E(X)$ depend only on X as an \mathcal{L} -space.

Let $X = \Omega^\infty R$. $E(X, \theta)$ is the connective cover of R , $SL_1 E(X)$ is $SL_1 R$.

Corollary 9. *For an E_∞ ring spectrum R , $sl_1(R)[M^{-1}]$ is the connected cover of $E((\Omega^\infty R)_M, \xi)$.*

Lewis conundrum

Everything enriched over based spaces (or simplicial sets) in the following hypotheses.

Theorem 10 (Lewis). *Let \mathcal{S} satisfy*

- (i) *\mathcal{S} is closed symmetric monoidal.
Have functors \wedge and F such that*

$$\mathcal{S}(E \wedge E', E'') \cong \mathcal{S}(E, F(E', E'')).$$

- (ii) *Have functors Σ^∞ and Ω^∞ such that*

$$\mathcal{S}(\Sigma^\infty X, E) \cong \mathcal{S}(X, \Omega^\infty E).$$

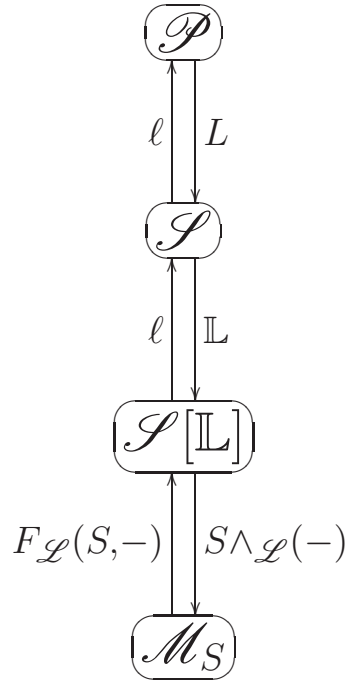
- (iii) *The unit for \wedge is $S \equiv \Sigma^\infty S^0$.*

Let E be a commutative monoid in \mathcal{S} (e.g. S). Then $SL_1(E)$ is a product of Eilenberg-MacLane spaces.

Corollary 11. *No model structure on \mathcal{S} with S cofibrant can give the right $\text{Ho}\mathcal{S}$.*

EKMM S -modules

Quillen equivalences:



Monad \mathbb{L} : $\mathbb{L}E = \mathcal{L}(1) \times E$. $\eta : E \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{L}E$.

\mathbb{L} -spectrum: action $\mathbb{L}E \longrightarrow E$; e.g. $\mathbb{L}E$.

$$E \wedge_{\mathcal{L}} E' \equiv \mathcal{L}(2) \times_{\mathcal{L}(1) \times \mathcal{L}(1)} E \bar{\wedge} E'$$

$$\Sigma^\infty(X \wedge Y) \cong \Sigma^\infty X \wedge_{\mathcal{L}} \Sigma^\infty Y.$$

Associative and commutative.

$$\tau : E \wedge_{\mathcal{L}} E' \cong E' \wedge_{\mathcal{L}} E.$$

Unit weak equivalence $\lambda: S \wedge_{\mathcal{L}} E \xrightarrow{\simeq} E$.

E is an S -module if λ is an isomorphism.

Examples: $\Sigma^\infty X$, $S \wedge_{\mathcal{L}} E$.

$\mathcal{S}[\mathbb{L}]$ is the category of \mathbb{L} -spectra.

\mathcal{M}_S is the category of S -modules.

Definition 12. *A commutative ‘monoid’ in $\mathcal{S}[\mathbb{L}]$ is an \mathbb{L} -spectrum R with a unit map $\eta: S \longrightarrow R$ and a commutative and associative product $\phi: R \wedge_{\mathcal{L}} R \longrightarrow R$ such that the following diagram commutes.*

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 S \wedge_{\mathcal{L}} R & \xrightarrow{\eta \wedge \text{id}} & R \wedge_{\mathcal{L}} R & \xleftarrow{\text{id} \wedge \eta} & R \wedge_{\mathcal{L}} S \\
 & \searrow \lambda & \downarrow \phi & & \swarrow \lambda \tau \\
 & & R & &
 \end{array}$$

Theorem 13. *The category of commutative monoids in $\mathcal{S}[\mathbb{L}]$ is isomorphic to the category of E_∞ ring spectra.*

$$E \wedge_S E' = E \wedge_{\mathcal{L}} E'$$

$$\Sigma^\infty(X \wedge Y) \cong \Sigma^\infty X \wedge_S \Sigma^\infty Y.$$

\mathcal{M}_S is closed symmetric monoidal, unit S .

Definition 14. *A commutative S -algebra is a commutative monoid in \mathcal{M}_S . That is, it is an E_∞ ring spectrum which is an S -module.*

If R is an E_∞ ring spectrum, then $S \wedge_{\mathcal{L}} R$ is a weakly equivalent commutative S -algebra.

$S = \Sigma^\infty S^0$ is cofibrant in \mathcal{S} ; $\mathbb{L}S$, $S \wedge_{\mathcal{L}} \mathbb{L}S$ are cofibrant approximations in $\mathcal{S}[\mathbb{L}]$, \mathcal{M}_S .

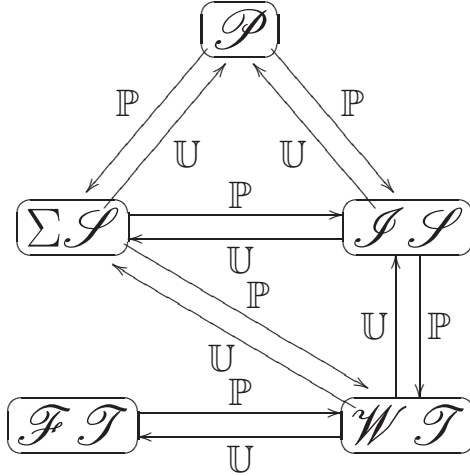
Adjunctions in \mathcal{S} , $\mathcal{S}[\mathbb{L}]$, \mathcal{M}_S :

$$(\Sigma^\infty, \Omega^\infty)$$

$$(\mathbb{L}\Sigma^\infty, \Omega^\infty \ell)$$

$$(S \wedge_{\mathcal{L}} \mathbb{L}\Sigma^\infty, F_{\mathcal{L}}(S, \Omega^\infty \ell))$$

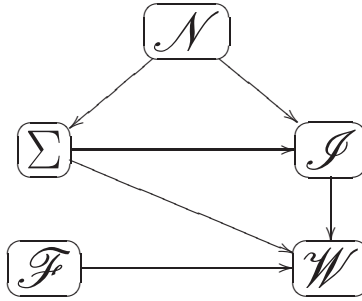
Diagram spectra



Lexicon:

- \mathcal{P} is the category of \mathcal{N} -spectra, or (coordinatized) prespectra.
- $\Sigma\mathcal{S}$ is the category of Σ -spectra, or symmetric spectra.
- $\mathcal{I}\mathcal{S}$ is the category of \mathcal{I} -spectra, or orthogonal spectra.
- $\mathcal{F}\mathcal{I}$ is the category of \mathcal{F} -spaces, or Γ -spaces.
- $\mathcal{W}\mathcal{I}$ is the category of \mathcal{W} -spaces.

\mathcal{D} -spectra for diagram of domains \mathcal{D} :



Start with \mathcal{D} -spaces, $\mathcal{D}\mathcal{I}$. For a sphere functor $S: \mathcal{D} \longrightarrow \mathcal{I}$ with smash products, S -modules are \mathcal{D} -spectra. No distinction when $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{F}$ or $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{W}$: $\mathcal{D}\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{D}\mathcal{S}$.

Lexicon:

- \mathcal{N} is the category of natural numbers.
- Σ is the category of symmetric groups.
- \mathcal{I} is the category of linear isometric iso's.
- \mathcal{F} is the category of finite based sets.
- \mathcal{W} is the category of based spaces that are homeomorphic to finite CW complexes.

Forgetful, prolongation functors \mathbb{U}, \mathbb{P} .
 All (\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{U}) are Quillen equivalences.
 (Connective spectra only for $\mathcal{F}\mathcal{I}$).

For \mathcal{D} -spaces T and T' , have external smash product $T \bar{\wedge} T'$, a $\mathcal{D} \times \mathcal{D}$ -space.

$$(T \bar{\wedge} T')(d, e) = Td \wedge T'e.$$

Given $\oplus: \mathcal{D} \times \mathcal{D} \longrightarrow \mathcal{D}$, left Kan extension gives a \mathcal{D} -space $T \wedge T'$.

$$((\mathcal{D} \times \mathcal{D})\mathcal{I})(T \bar{\wedge} T', V \circ \oplus) \cong \mathcal{D}\mathcal{I}(T \wedge T', V)$$

For S -modules T and T' , get coequalizer

$$T \wedge_S T'.$$

All but $\mathcal{N}\mathcal{S}$ above are symmetric monoidal.

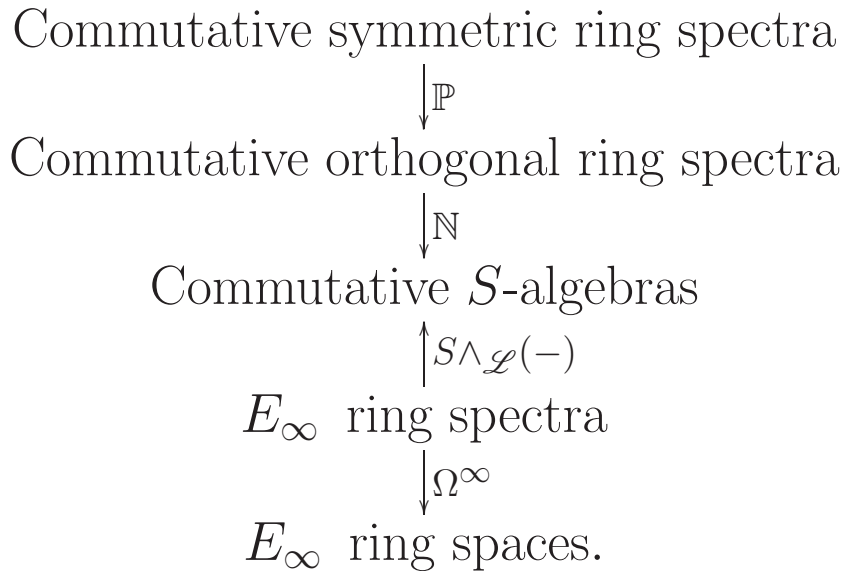
Quillen equivalence

$$\mathcal{I}\mathcal{I} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\mathbb{N}} \\ \xleftarrow{\mathbb{N}^\#} \end{array} \mathcal{M}_S$$

from *positive* model structure on $\mathcal{I}\mathcal{I}$.

Theorem 15. *The functors \mathbb{P} and \mathbb{N} induce Quillen equivalences from commutative symmetric ring spectra to commutative orthogonal ring spectra and from the latter to commutative S -algebras.*

We have comparison functors



But: no 0^{th} space information in diagram commutative ring spectra. The E_∞ ring theory relating spaces and spectra is lost.

Naive E_∞ ring spectra

$$\mathcal{O}(j)_+ \wedge R^{(j)} \longrightarrow R.$$

Proposition 16. *For a positive cofibrant symmetric or orthogonal spectrum or for a cofibrant S -module E ,*

$$\pi: (E\Sigma_j)_+ \wedge_{\Sigma_j} E^{(j)} \longrightarrow E^{(j)} / \Sigma_j$$

is a weak equivalence.

Proposition 17. *The homotopy categories of naive \mathcal{O} -spectra and commutative ring spectra (in any of $\Sigma\mathcal{S}$, $\mathcal{I}\mathcal{S}$, or \mathcal{M}_S) are equivalent.*