

# Quasi-Elliptic Cohomology

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## Power Operation

Quasi-elliptic cohomology has power operations. So it has the structure of an " $H_\infty$ -ring theory".

## Atiyah's Power Operation as Equivariant K-theories

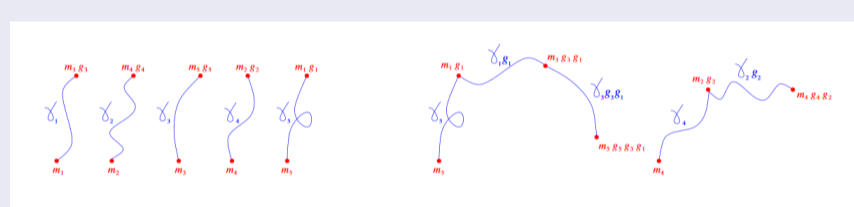
$V$ : a vector bundle over  $\Lambda(X//G)$ .

$$P_n : QEll_G(X) \longrightarrow QEll_{G\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}]}(X^{\times n}), V \mapsto V^{\widehat{\otimes}_{\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}]}}^n$$

## The Power Operation that is "Elliptic"

$$\mathbb{P}_n = \prod_{(\underline{g}, \sigma) \in (G\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}])_{conj}^{tors}} \mathbb{P}_{(\underline{g}, \sigma)} : QEll_G(X) \longrightarrow QEll_{G\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}]}(X^{\times n})$$

$$\mathbb{P}_{(\underline{g}, \sigma)} : QEll_G(X) \xrightarrow{U^*} K_{orb}(\Lambda_{(\underline{g}, \sigma)}(X)) \xrightarrow{(\cdot)_k^*} K_{orb}(\Lambda_{(\underline{g}, \sigma)}^{var}(X)) \xrightarrow{\boxtimes} K_{orb}(d_{(\underline{g}, \sigma)}(X)) \xrightarrow{f_{(\underline{g}, \sigma)}^*} K_{\Lambda_{G\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}]}(\underline{g}, \sigma)}((X^{\times n})^{(\underline{g}, \sigma)})$$



## Question

Can we have Strickland's theorem for Tate K-Theory?

## The Finite Subgroups of the Tate Curve

The finite subgroups of the Tate curve of order  $N$  can be classified by  $\mathcal{O}_{Sub_N} = \prod_{N=de} \mathbb{Z}((q))[q_s^{\pm 1}] / \langle q^d - q_s^e \rangle$ .

## Transfer Ideals

$$I_{tr}^{Tate} := \sum_{\substack{i+j=N, \\ N>j>0}} \text{Image}[I_{\Sigma_i \times \Sigma_j}^{\Sigma_N} : K_{Tate}(pt//\Sigma_i \times \Sigma_j) \longrightarrow K_{Tate}(pt//\Sigma_N)]$$

$$\mathcal{I}_{tr}^{QE} := \sum_{\substack{i+j=N, \\ N>j>0}} \text{Image}[I_{\Sigma_i \times \Sigma_j}^{\Sigma_N} : QEll(pt//\Sigma_i \times \Sigma_j) \longrightarrow QEll(pt//\Sigma_N)]$$

## Classification of the Finite Subgroups of Tate Curve

### Theorem (Huan)

$$QEll(pt//\Sigma_N) / \mathcal{I}_{tr}^{QE} \cong \prod_{N=de} \mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}][q_s^{\pm 1}] / \langle q^d - q_s^e \rangle,$$

where  $q'$  is the image of  $q$  under the power operation  $\mathbb{P}_N$ .

### Theorem (Huan)

The Tate K-theory of symmetric groups modulo the transfer ideal classifies the finite subgroups of the Tate curve.

$$K_{Tate}(pt//\Sigma_N) / I_{tr}^{Tate} \cong \prod_{N=de} \mathbb{Z}((q))[q_s^{\pm 1}] / \langle q^d - q_s^e \rangle,$$

where  $q'_s$  is the image of  $q$  under the stringy power operation  $P_N^{string}$ .

## Motivation: An old idea by Witten

- The elliptic cohomology of a space  $X$  is related to the  $\mathbb{T}$ -equivariant K-theory of  $LX = \mathbb{C}^\infty(S^1, X)$  with the circle  $\mathbb{T}$  acting on  $LX$  by rotating loops.
- It's surprisingly difficult to make this precise!
- Why? In application, one needs to consider the case that a group  $G$  acts on  $X$ . In this case the loop space  $LX$  has rich structures as an orbifold.

The relation between Tate K-theory and the loop space  $\Rightarrow$  quasi-elliptic cohomology.

## Construction

### The Key Concept: Bibundles

A bibundle from  $\mathbb{H}$  to  $\mathbb{G}$  is a smooth manifold  $P$  together with

- the structure maps:
  - $\tau : P \longrightarrow \mathbb{G}_0$ ;
  - The action maps in  $Man_{\mathbb{G}_0 \times \mathbb{H}_0}$ 
    - $\mathbb{G}_1 \times_{\tau} P \longrightarrow P$ ;
- a surjective submersion  $\sigma : P \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}_0$ .

such that

- $g_1 \cdot (g_2 \cdot p) = (g_1 g_2) \cdot p$ ;  $p \cdot h_1 \cdot h_2 = p \cdot (h_1 h_2)$ ;  $g \cdot (p \cdot h) = (g \cdot p) \cdot h$
- $p \cdot u_H(\sigma(p)) = p$  and  $u_G(\tau(p)) \cdot p = p$  for all  $p \in P$ .
- $\mathbb{G}_1 \times_{\tau} P \longrightarrow P_{\sigma} \times_{\sigma} P$   $(g, p) \mapsto (g \cdot p, p)$  is an isomorphism.

## The Loop Space of Interest: $Loop(X//G) := Bibun(S^1 // *, X//G)$

- Objects:

$$\mathcal{P} := \{S^1 \xrightarrow{\pi} P \xrightarrow{f} X\}$$

- $\pi$ : principal  $G$ -bundle over  $S^1$
- Morphism  $\mathcal{P} \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}'$ :  $G$ -bundle map  $\alpha : P \longrightarrow P'$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S^1 & \xrightarrow{\pi} & P & \xrightarrow{f} & X \\ & & \searrow^{\alpha} & \downarrow & \nearrow^{f'} \\ & & P' & & \end{array}$$

## The Loop Space with All the Data: $Loop^{ext}(X//G)$

Add the rotations:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S^1 & \xrightarrow{\pi} & P & \xrightarrow{f} & X \\ \uparrow & & \downarrow & & \\ S^1 & \xrightarrow{\pi'} & P' & \xrightarrow{f'} & X \end{array}$$

## The Groupoid We Really Study: $\Lambda(X//G)$

A subgroupoid of  $Loop^{ext}(X//G)$

$$\Lambda(X//G) := \prod_{g \in G_{conj}^{tors}} X^g // \Lambda_G(g)$$

$G_{conj}^{tors}$ : a set of representatives of  $G$ -conjugacy classes in  $G^{tors}$ ;

$$\Lambda_G(g) = C_G(g) \times \mathbb{R} / \langle (g, -1) \rangle$$

## The Definition of Quasi-elliptic cohomology

$$QEll_G(X) := K_{orb}(\Lambda(X//G)) \cong \prod_{g \in G_{conj}^{tors}} K_{\Lambda_G(g)}(X^g)$$

## Relation with Tate K-theory

$$QEll_G^*(X) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}[q^{\pm 1}]} \mathbb{Z}((q)) \cong K_{Tate}^*(X//G).$$

## The Spectra of Equivariant Elliptic Cohomologies

### Ginzburg, Kapranov and Vasserot's Conjecture

Any elliptic curve  $A$  gives rise to a unique equivariant elliptic cohomology theory, natural in  $A$ .

We get some idea with the construction of the orthogonal  $G$ -spectrum of quasi-elliptic cohomology.

### Orthogonal $G$ -spectrum of quasi-elliptic cohomology

We construct explicitly a commutative  $\mathcal{I}_G$ -FSP  $(E(G, -), \eta, \mu)$ . For each faithful  $G$ -representation  $V$ ,  $E(G, V)$  weakly represents  $QEll_G^V(-)$  in the sense

$$\pi_k(E(G, V)) = QEll_G^V(S^k), \text{ for each } k.$$

The construction can be applied to generalized Morava E-theory and equivariant Tate K-theory.

### Can $E(G, -)$ arise from an orthogonal spectrum?

No.

For a trivial  $G$ -representation  $V$ , the  $G$ -action on  $E(G, V)$  is not trivial.

Then, it's even more difficult for equivariant elliptic cohomology to fit into the global homotopy theory!

### Solution: Construct a New Global Homotopy Theory

Instead of orthogonal spaces, we study  $D_0$ -spaces.

### The Category $D_0$

- objects:  $(G, V, \rho)$  with  $V$  an inner product vector space,  $G$  a compact group and  $\rho$  a faithful group representations  $\rho : G \longrightarrow O(V)$ ,
- morphism:  $\phi = (\phi_1, \phi_2) : (G, V, \rho) \longrightarrow (H, W, \tau)$ 
  - $\phi_2 : V \longrightarrow W$  a linear isometric embedding
  - $\phi_1 : \tau^{-1}(O(\phi_2(V))) \longrightarrow G$  group homomorphism

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G & \xrightarrow{\rho} & O(V) \\ \downarrow \phi_1 & & \downarrow \phi_2 \\ \tau^{-1}(O(\phi_2(V))) & \xrightarrow{\tau} & O(W) \end{array}$$

### Features of the New Global Homotopy Theory

- An extension of global homotopy theory;
- Classifies those theories that should be global;
- The restriction maps are equivariant weak equivalence;
- We can define global quasi-elliptic cohomology by combining the orthogonal  $G$ -spectrum  $\{E(G, -)\}$ ;
- The new and old global homotopy theories describe the same mathematical world. We are proving

### Conjecture

There is a global model structure on the almost global spaces that is Quillen equivalent to the global model structure on the orthogonal spaces formulated by Schwede in Global Homotopy Theory.