

# Quasi-elliptic cohomology

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## Plan.

- Motivation and construction
- The power operation
- The orthogonal  $G$ -spectra

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