

Title: Equivariant Elliptic Cohomology

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Abstract: The subject of equivariant elliptic cohomology finds itself at the interface of topology, string theory, affine representation theory, singularity theory and integrable systems. These connections were already known to the founders of the discipline, Grojnowski, Segal, Hopkins, Devoto, but have come into sharper focus in recent years with a number of remarkable developments happening simultaneously: First, there are the geometric constructions, due to Kitchloo, Rezk and Spong, Berwick-Evans and Tripathy, building on the older program of Stolz-Teichner, and of course Segal. These are now all known to be equivalent to Grojnowski's original definition, thanks to work of Spong. Second, there are new applications, to integrable systems (Aganagic-Okounkov, Felder-Rimanyi-Varchenko-Tarasov) and to representation theory (Yang-Zhao-Zhong, G-Ram). Finally, there is the work of Weber-Rimanyi-Kumar, who build on the techniques of Borisov and Libgober to define Schubert classes in equivariant elliptic cohomology (with an added dynamical parametre), recovering the stable envelopes in type A. This talk will give a gentle introduction to the topic and attempt an overview over these recent developments.



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An overview talk
by Nora Ganter

The chromatic tower

$\mathbb{C}P^\infty = BU(1)$

$c_1(L_1) +_F c_1(L_2) = c_1(L_1 \otimes L_2)$

Borel-equivariant

$K(\mathbb{C}P^\infty) \leftarrow K_{\mathbb{C}^\times}(pt)$
 Atiyah-Segal completion map

Quillen's theorem

$(-)\hat{0}$ genuinely equis

<p>Cohomology theories with Chern classes (\mathbb{C}^\times-equivariant)</p> <p>H</p> <p>$e_{univ} = x$</p> <p>$C_1(L_{univ})$</p> <p>K</p> <p>$e(L) = 1 - L$</p> <p>$\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{C}_1 = L = \text{bund. rep of } \mathbb{C}^\times$</p> <p>$\mathcal{E}ll$</p> <p>$e_{univ} = \theta$</p>	<p>Complex genera</p> <p>$\phi: MU_* \rightarrow R$</p> <p>complex cobordism ring</p> <p>$[M] \mapsto \begin{cases} M & \dim M = 0 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$</p> <p>counting genus</p> <p>$Td(M)$</p> <p>Todd genus</p> <p>complex Euler characteristic</p> <p>Def: $\phi_{ell}(M)$</p> <p>an elliptic genus</p>	<p>affine one dimensional formal group (laws)</p> <p>$x + y$</p> <p>additive</p> <p>$x + y - xy$</p> <p>multiplicative</p> <p>$E\hat{0}$</p> <p>elliptic</p>	<p>one dimensional algebraic groups</p> <p>$H^*(\mathbb{C}P^\infty; \mathbb{C})$</p> <p>$H_{\mathbb{C}^\times}(pt) = \Gamma \mathcal{O}_{G_a} = \mathbb{C}[x]$</p> <p>$\tilde{H}(\mathbb{P}_1^1) = I(0) = x\mathbb{C}[x]$</p> <p>$K_{\mathbb{C}^\times}(pt) = \Gamma \mathcal{O}_{G_m} = \mathbb{C}[z^{\pm 1}]$</p> <p>$\tilde{K}(\mathbb{P}_1^1) = I(1) = (1-z)\mathbb{C}[z^{\pm 1}]$</p> <p>$1 - \mathbb{C}_1$</p> <p>$\mathcal{E}ll_{\mathbb{C}^\times}(pt) = \mathcal{O}_E$</p> <p>$\tilde{\mathcal{E}ll}_{\mathbb{C}^\times}(\mathbb{P}_1^1) = I(0)$</p> <p>not free</p>
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Exa: $\tilde{E} = \mathbb{C}[1/z^2] / \mathbb{C}^\times / z^2$

Grojnowski's equivariant elliptic cohomology

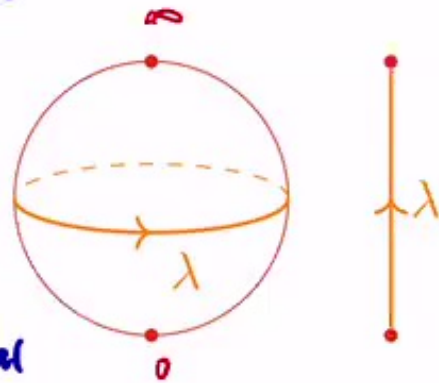
$$E_T = \mathbb{C}/\langle 1, \tau \rangle = \mathbb{C}^\times / q^\mathbb{Z} \text{ and } E_T = \Lambda^\vee \otimes E_T.$$

$$\mathcal{E}ll_T : T\text{-spaces} \longrightarrow q\mathcal{C}oh(E_T)$$

The theory is reverse engineered from the stalks.

Example:

$pt^{\mathbb{C}_\lambda} = \mathbb{P}_\lambda^1$
 $T \mathbb{G}$
 (complex)
 one dimensional orbit



$$K_\lambda = \ker(e^{2\pi i \lambda})$$

$$\mathcal{E}ll_T(T/K_\lambda) = \mathcal{E}ll_{K_\lambda}(pt)$$

By Mayer Vietoris: $\mathbb{P}_\lambda^1 \setminus \{0, \infty\} = \mathbb{C}_\lambda^\times$
 $K_\lambda \hookrightarrow T \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{C}_\lambda^\times$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}ll_T(\mathbb{P}_\lambda^1) &= \text{equalizer} \left(\mathcal{O}_{E_T} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{E_T} \rightrightarrows \mathcal{O}_{E_{K_\lambda}} \right) \\ &= \{(a, b) \in \mathcal{E}ll_T(pt)^2 \mid a - b \in \mathcal{I}(E_{K_\lambda})\}. \end{aligned}$$

Scheme valued theory: $E_{\mathbb{P}_\lambda^1} = E_T \sqcup_{E_{K_\lambda}} E_T.$

Moment graph toolkit: can study flag varieties, quiver varieties

Grojnowski

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Key new feature:

The ideal sheaves $\mathcal{I}(0)$ and $\mathcal{I}(E_{K_\lambda})$ are no longer trivial, as they were in the additive and multiplicative case. Instead, they are locally free of rank one.

Instead of Thom isomorphism, the theory acquires a twist by the Thom sheaf. ↪ *line bundle on $E_T =$ base of sheaf valued theory Ell_T .*

The role of Euler class (in H and K a trivializing section) is played by the theta function

$$\theta(z, q) = (z^{\frac{1}{2}} - z^{-\frac{1}{2}}) \prod_{n \geq 1} (1 - q^n z) (1 - q^n z^{-1})$$

*circle \mathbb{C}^\times
 $z = \mathbb{C}^\times$*

or, in our example,

$$\theta(z, q) = (z^{\frac{\lambda}{2}} - z^{-\frac{\lambda}{2}}) \prod_{n \geq 1} (1 - q^n z^\lambda) (1 - q^n z^{-\lambda})$$

*torus T
 $\lambda \in \Lambda$
weight*

Transchromatic phenomena

	G/B	$\mathcal{L}(G/B)$	$\mathcal{L}^2(G/B)$
H	$\mathcal{H}_T(G/B)$	$\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{L}(G/B))^{\Lambda^V}$	$\mathcal{H}_{\widetilde{\mathcal{L}^2 G}}(\mathcal{L}^2(G/B))^{\Lambda^V \oplus \Lambda^V}$
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$\mathcal{E}ll$	$\mathcal{E}ll_T(G/B)$		

New geometric constructions:

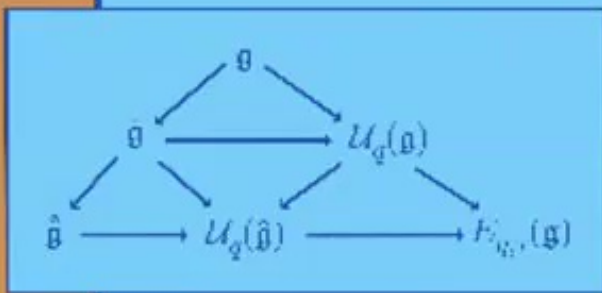
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Push-pull formalism

(non singular)

In $\mathcal{E}ll_T$ what should be the Weyl character formula (push-forward along $G/B \rightarrow pt$) becomes the Weyl-Kac formula.

Ginzburg-Kapranov-Vasserot:

1995: Elliptic algebras and equivariant elliptic cohomology
(technical report)

1997: Residue construction of Hecke algebras

Zhao-Zhong:

2017: Representations of the elliptic affine Hecke algebras carry out Ginzburg-Kapranov-Vasserot program in the Hopkins-Lurie setting. Obtain a push-pull formalism involving theta functions.



Schubert classes via resolutions of singularities

2019 **Rimanyi-Weber**: Elliptic classes of Schubert cells via Bott-Samelson resolution

2019 **Kumar-Rimanyi-Weber**: Elliptic classes of Schubert varieties

Definition **in the spirit of Borisov and Libgober**, i.e., choose a resolution of singularities and define an elliptic class **with a correction factor depending on the exceptional divisor**, and prove that this is independent of choices.

To remedy the fact that the singularities are not log Kawamata, Rimanyi and Weber find the need to introduce an additional parameter – **the same dynamical parameter** as in Aganagic and Okounkov's work.

Where both are defined, the elliptic stable envelope basis and the Borisov-Libgober elliptic Schubert classes of Kumar-Rimanyi-Weber coincide.

Elliptic stable envelopes

Aganagic-Okounkov:

2016 Stable envelope basis for $\mathcal{E}ll_{\mathcal{T}}(T^*G/B)$ in type A .

Application to q -difference equations.

Greatly clarify quantum Knizhnik-Zamolodchikov equations.

$\mathcal{E}ll_{\mathcal{T}}(X)$ needs to be varied to tell this story, the base acquires additional parameters:

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