

Title: Free-to-Interacting Maps and the Bott Spiral

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Abstract:

I will discuss free (i.e., noninteracting) and interacting classifications for certain fermionic symmetry-protected topological phases (SPTs) and show how to define free-to-interacting maps in terms of homotopy theory. I will apply these ideas to study the phenomenon of the "Bott spiral": as shown in work of Queiroz-Khalaf-Stern using a dimensional reduction approach, the tenfold way classification of free theories (with one additional reflection symmetry) breaks down to a large 2-torsion classification in the presence of interactions. Using K-theory and (Anderson-dual) twisted spin bordism, we can compute the same interacting classification, and with the language of fermionic groups, we can interpret the "spiral" as a failure of Morita invariance on the interacting side. Time permitting, I will also discuss how to model dimensional reduction and symmetry breaking for the Bott spiral in terms of homotopy theory.

This talk is based on upcoming work joint with Arun Debray, Natalia Pacheco-Tallaj, and Luuk Stehouwer.

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idea:

general

SPTs

\mathcal{M} moduli space of models

Δ critical locus

phase $\in (\mathcal{M} \setminus \Delta) / \sim$

Hamiltonians

gapless Hams

\sim preserves symm.
+ the gap

today: comparing \sim_{free} and \sim_{int}

free-to-interacting map:

$$\text{F2I: } [x]_{\text{free}} \longmapsto [x]_{\text{int}}$$

$$\uparrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \uparrow$$

$$KO^{d+l-k-2} \longrightarrow \mathcal{U}_{E_{l,k}}^{d+2}$$

① K-theory. tenfold way

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{free ferm SPT} \\ \text{in } d \text{ dim w/ } s \text{ symm} \end{array} \right\} \cong KO^{d+s-2}$$

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fermions

massless fermions

preserves symm + the gap

- ex. TRS Maj. chain $(d,s) = (1,1)$
p+ip SC $(d,s) = (2,0)$

- defn. fermionic group.

• top. group G_b

• extension by ferm. parity $(-1)^F$

$$1 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow G_f \rightarrow G_b \rightarrow 1$$

$$\mapsto \omega \in H^2(BG_b, \mathbb{Z}/2)$$

• grading $G_f \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2 \mapsto \theta \in H^1(BG_b, \mathbb{Z}/2)$
 $(-1)^F \mapsto 0$

$= (1, 1)$
 (0)

arity $(-1)^F$
 $G_b \rightarrow 1$

$\mathbb{Z}/2 \mapsto \Theta \in H^1(BG_b; \mathbb{Z}/2)$

\mapsto cat Ferm Grp

defn. fermionic gp alg.

$$R^f[(G_b, \theta, \omega)] := R[G_f] / ((-1)^F + 1)$$

our focus: $\mathbb{Z}/2$ symms. $H^*(B\mathbb{Z}/2; \mathbb{Z}/2) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2[x]$

ex. class BDI. $G_b = \mathbb{Z}/2, T^2 = 1$

ext. $1 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2^F \rightarrow \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}/2^F \times \mathbb{Z}/2^T}_{\text{Pin}^+(1)} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow 1$

nontrivial $\Theta = \text{id}: \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2$

- ex (BII) cont'd

note: $(\theta, \omega) = (x, \sigma)$ corresponds to
 $(w_1 \sigma, w_2 \sigma)$, $\sigma \rightarrow B^{\mathbb{Z}/2}$ taut

$$\mathbb{R}^f(\text{Pin}^+(1)) \cong \mathbb{R}[a] / a^2 = +1 \cong \mathbb{C}_{+1}$$

- ex. DIII, TRS, $T^2 = (-1)^F$

$$G_b = \mathbb{Z}/2, \theta = \text{id}$$

$$1 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2^F \rightarrow \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}/4^{T,F}}_{\text{Pin}^-(1)} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow 1$$

- ex. (DIII)

ex. (DIII) $(\mathcal{O}, \omega) = (\omega_1 \otimes \sigma, \omega_2 \otimes \sigma)$
 \uparrow or $-\sigma$

$$R^f(\text{pin}^-(1)) \cong \mathbb{R}[a] / a^2 = -1 \cong \mathbb{C}_-$$

defn. ferm tensor product $\hat{\times}$

$$G_f \hat{\times} H_f = (G_b \times H_b, \mathcal{O}_G + \mathcal{O}_H, \omega_G + \omega_H + \mathcal{O}_G \otimes \mathcal{O}_H)$$

defn. $E_{\ell, k} = (\text{pin}^-(1))^{\hat{\times} \ell} \hat{\times} (\text{pin}^+(1))^{\hat{\times} k}$

Thm. $R^f[E_{\ell, k}] \cong \mathbb{C}_{\ell, k}$

defn. For A a fin dim superalg.

$$KO_k(A) \equiv \text{Mod}_{A \hat{\otimes} \mathbb{C}^k}^{gr}$$

$$\text{Mod}_{A \hat{\otimes} \mathbb{C}^{(k+1)}}^{gr}$$

classification:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{free ferm SPTs in } d \text{ dim} \\ \text{w/ GF symm} \\ E_{lk} \end{array} \right\} \cong KO_2(C^+(Z^d) \hat{\otimes} R(G_F))$$

$$\cong KO_{2-l+k}(C^+(Z^d))^{(lk)}$$

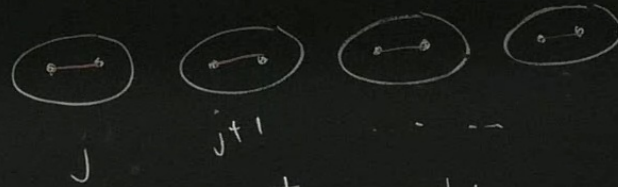
$$\supset KO^{d+l-k-2}$$

peralg.
Mod^{gr}
A ⊗ C_k

Mod^{gr}
A ⊗ C_(k+1)

$$\begin{aligned} &\cong KO_2(C^*(Z^d) \otimes K(G_f)) \\ &\cong KO_{2-l+k}(C^*(Z^d)) \\ &\supset KO^{d+l-k-2} \end{aligned}$$

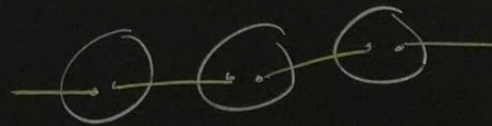
ex TRS Maj. 1+1 d
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$$\begin{aligned} C_{2j-1} &= a_j + a_j^+ \\ C_{2j} &= \frac{a_j + a_j^+}{\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

$$H_{triv} = \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum C_{2j-1} C_{2j}$$

$$H_{Maj} = \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum C_{2j} C_{2j+1}$$



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Fact: $\sum_{\alpha=1}^n H_{M_{\alpha j}} \chi_{\text{free TRS}} H_{\text{triv}}$

$H_{M_{\alpha j}}$ generates $\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{K}O^0$

but \exists quartic interaction, initializy

$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^8 H_{M_{\alpha j}}^{\alpha}$$

today: com

free-to-inter

F2I

$$[H_{\text{Map}}]_{\text{free}} \hookrightarrow [H_{\text{Map}}]_{\text{int}}$$

$$\mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}/8$$

$$1 \longleftarrow 1$$

② bordism + TQFTs

$(G, \theta, \omega) \rightsquigarrow$ tangential str $H(G, \theta)$
 on manifolds

$$BH(G) \longrightarrow BO$$

$(w_1, w_2^2 + w_3)$

$$\downarrow \perp$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$BG \xrightarrow{(\theta, \omega)}$$

$$B\mathbb{Z}/2 + B^2\mathbb{Z}/2$$

Thm. $G_f \mapsto MTH(G_f)$

defines a Symm mon. functor

$(\text{FermGrp}, \hat{x}) \rightarrow (\text{MTSpin-Mod}, \wedge)$

ansatz: $\left. \begin{array}{l} d\text{-dim int.} \\ \text{lattice model} \\ \text{modelly } G_f\text{-SPT} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{low energy } d+1 \text{ dim} \\ \rightsquigarrow \text{TQFT w/} \\ H(G_f)_{\text{Symm}} \end{array}$

\rightsquigarrow cat FermGrp

defn. fermionic

$R^f[(G_b, \theta, \alpha)]$

- our focus: $\mathbb{Z}/2$ SPT

- ex. class BDI

- ext. $1 \rightarrow$

- nontrivial

defn. For A a fin dim superalg.

$$KO_k(A) \cong \text{Mod}_{A \hat{\otimes} \mathbb{C} \ell_k}^{gr}$$

$$\text{Mod}_{A \hat{\otimes} \mathbb{C} \ell_{k+1}}^{gr}$$

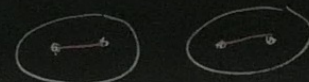
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$$\cong KO_{2-l+k}(\mathbb{C}^*(\mathbb{Z}^d))$$

$$\supset KO^{d+l-k-2}$$

ex TRS Maj
 \mathbb{C}^2 \mathbb{C}^2



J $J+1$

$$c_{2j-1} = a_j + a_j^+$$

$$c_{2j} = \frac{a_j - a_j^+}{\lambda}$$

$$\supset K0^{d+l-k-z}$$

G_f
functor

(MTSpin-Mod, \sim)

low energy $d+1$ dim
 \rightsquigarrow TQFT w/
 $H(G_f)$ symm

Thm (Freed-Hopkins)

invertible, ref. pos. fully ext.
 n -dim TQFTs, w/ H -sym

$$\cong \text{Hom}(\Omega_{n+1}^H, \mathbb{C}^\times)$$

deforma

partition fun

defn. $\Omega_{n+1}^H = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{closed } (n+1)\text{-mfld } S \\ \text{w/ } H\text{-strs} \end{array} \right\} / \sim$

$$M \sim N \text{ if } \exists W \leq 1 \quad \partial W = M \sqcup N$$

③ F2I maps

classical ABS

$$\Omega_k^{\text{Spin}} \longrightarrow KO^{-k}$$

$$M \longmapsto [\ker \not{D}_M]$$

\uparrow
Cl_k-linear Diracop on
 $C^\infty(S)$, S^k spinor bdl

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$$\longrightarrow KO^{-k}$$

$$\longrightarrow [\ker \not{D}_M]$$

\uparrow
 $\mathbb{C}k$ -linear Dirac op on
 $(C^\infty(S), S^*$ spinor bundle

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defn. Let X be a space, let $V \rightarrow X$
 be a vector bundle. An (X, V) -tw.
 Spin str on a mfld M is

• a map $M \rightarrow X$

• a spin str on $TM \oplus f^*V$

- ex. $\int_h^{Pin^-} \approx \int_h^{Spin} (B\mathbb{Z}/2, \sigma)$

\parallel
 X

- ex $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{int. SPTs on} \\ \text{pin}^- \text{ mflds} \end{array} \right\} \cong \text{Hom}(\Omega_2^{\text{pin}^-}, \mathbb{C}^\times)$

$$\Omega_2^{\text{pin}^-} \cong \mathbb{Z}/8$$

defn. $ME_{\ell,k} := \left((B\mathbb{Z}/2)^{\sigma-1} \right)^{\wedge \ell} \wedge \left((B\mathbb{Z}/2)^{1-\sigma} \right)^{\wedge k}$

M has $E_{\ell,k}$ str if $TM + L_1 + \dots + L_\ell$
 $-L_1 - \dots - L_k$
 is spin

note: (ℓ, k) matters!

- ex. (DIII)

$$\mathbb{R}^f(\text{pin}^-(1))$$

defn. ferm tors

$$G_f \bar{x} H_f$$

defn. $E_{\ell,k} =$

Thm. $\mathbb{R}^f(E_{\ell,k})$

→ KO^{-k}

→ $[\ker \not{D}_M]$

Clk-linear Dirac op on $(C^\infty(S), S^*$ spinor ball

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generalized ABS for pin^\pm (FH)

$$ABS_{(0,1)} : \Omega_n^{pin^+} \cong \Omega_n^{Spin}(B\mathbb{Z}/2^{1-\sigma}) \xrightarrow{SM} \Omega_{n+1}^{Spin}(B\mathbb{Z}/2) \text{ (zero section of } \sigma)$$

$M \longleftarrow$

\uparrow
generic sections

$$ABS_{(1,0)} : \Omega_n^{pin^-} = \Omega_n^{Spin}(B\mathbb{Z}/2^\sigma)$$

$\downarrow \lambda_{\sigma-1}$

Ω_{n+1}^{Spin} $ABS_{(1,0)}$

$\downarrow fgt$
 pin^-
 $ABS_{(1,0)}$
 $n-1$

Gf)
 Functor

(MTSpin-Mod, \wedge)

low energy $d+1$ dim
 \rightsquigarrow TQFT w/
 $H(G_f)$ Symm

$$ABS_{(l,k)} : MTSpin \wedge ((B\mathbb{Z}/2)^{\sigma-1})^{\wedge l} \wedge ((B\mathbb{Z}/2)^{1-\sigma})^{\wedge k}$$

$$SM_{\pm} : B\mathbb{Z}/2^{1-\sigma} \rightarrow \Sigma B\mathbb{Z}/2$$

$0 \hookrightarrow \sigma$

$$\downarrow ABS_{(l,k)} \wedge (\lambda_{\sigma-1})^{\wedge l} \wedge (\Sigma SM_{\pm})^{\wedge k}$$

$$KO \wedge (\Sigma^{-l} KO)^{\wedge l} \wedge ((B\mathbb{Z}/2)_{\mp})^{\wedge k}$$

$$\downarrow id^{\wedge l+1} \wedge (\Sigma \mathbb{1})^{\wedge k}$$

$$KO \wedge \Sigma^{-l} KO \wedge \Sigma^k KO$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\Sigma^{-k-l} KO$$