

Given

$$\text{Spec } R_1 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \text{Spec } R_2$$



$$m_{E \cup E}$$

the obstruction theory will produce

$$\alpha^{\text{top}}(\text{Spec } R_1) \longrightarrow \alpha^{\text{top}}(\text{Spec } R_2),$$

but this map will not necessarily be unique. However, if we choose $\alpha^{\text{top}}(m_{E \cup E})$ and require that the diagr.

$$\alpha^{\text{top}}(\text{Spec } R_1) \longrightarrow \alpha^{\text{top}}(\text{Spec } R_2)$$



$$\alpha^{\text{top}}(m_{E \cup E})$$

commutes, then, it turns out, the top map will be unique. This uses a rel. Frob. trick.

$\text{ex } p=3.$

$$y^2 = x^3 + b_2 x^2 + b_4 x$$

scaling: $y \mapsto \lambda^{-3/2} y, x \mapsto \lambda^{-2} x,$

$x \mapsto x+r; r^3 + b_2 r^2 + b_4 r = 0$

$$\text{Spec } A[\lambda^{\pm 1/2}] / (r^3 + b_2 r^2 + b_4 r) \xrightarrow{\text{A}} \text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}_3[b_2, b_4]$$



cohomologically
like $H^*(\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}, \text{something})$.

Ordinary locus :

$$y^2 - (x^3 + b_2 x^2 + b_4 x + b_6) = F(x, y)$$

$$F(x, y)^{p-1} = \dots + v_1 (x, y)^{p-1} + \dots$$

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 Hasse invariant = b_2

ordinary $\Leftrightarrow b_2$ unit.

$$y^2 + = x^3 + b_2 x^2 + b_4 x + b_6$$

unique r s.t. $x \mapsto x+r$ makes $b_4 = 0$.

$$\text{Spec } A[\lambda]/(\lambda^2-1) \xrightarrow{\quad} \text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}_3[b_3]$$

étale \downarrow

Spec A

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$(M_{\text{Ell}})^{\text{ord}}$

No higher coh. — so can feed the alg. to our obstruction machine.

Ex \mathbb{F}_3 $\varphi=2$ ordinary locus, mean-simplification

$$y^2 + a_1 xy + a_3 y^3 = x^3 + a_2 x^2 + a_4 x + a_6$$

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Hasse inv.

(by $z \mapsto x+r$) to get

$$y^2 + a_1 xy = x^3 + a_2 x^2 + a_4 x + a_6$$

Can use $y \mapsto y + sx + t$ to get

$$y^2 + a_1 xy = x^3 + a_4 x$$

can scale to get $a_1 = 1$. The only

remaining symmetries of the resulting eq.

$$y^2 + xy = x^3 + a_4 x$$

are $y \mapsto y + 3x$, $s^2 + \dots = 0$. So we have a 2-fold étale cover

$$\text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}_2[a_4]$$

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$$(M_{\text{Ell}})^{\text{ord}}$$

This will have higher coh., though.

Given

$$\text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}$$

↓ étale

$$(M_{\text{Ell}})^{\text{ord}}$$

we have from the algebraic theory

$$K_* \mathcal{O}^{\text{top}}(\mathbb{Z}),$$

a \mathcal{O} -algebra in $K_* K$ -comodules.

At $p=3$, take $R = \mathbb{Z}_3[b_3]$, construct $\mathcal{Q}^{\text{top}}(R)$ with $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ -action and define

$$\mathcal{Q}^{\text{top}}(M_{\text{ord}}) := \mathcal{Q}^{\text{top}}(R) \wedge^{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}}$$

For $p=2$, we find some facts:

$$K_* K_* = \text{Map cts}(\mathbb{Z}_p^*, K_*)$$

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$$\mathbb{Z}_2^* = \{\pm 1\} \times (1 + 4\mathbb{Z}_2)^* \xrightarrow{\sim} \{\pm 1\} \times 4\mathbb{Z}_2$$

At $p=2$, we use our obstruction theory but with KO instead of K ; get \mathcal{O} -alg. in $KO_* KO$ -comodules ($\Leftrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2^*/\{\pm 1\}$ -action)

Calculate spectral sequence

$$H^*(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}, K_*) = KO_* \dots$$

$$K_* = \mathbb{Z}_p[u^{\pm 1}] \quad \text{deg } u = 2$$

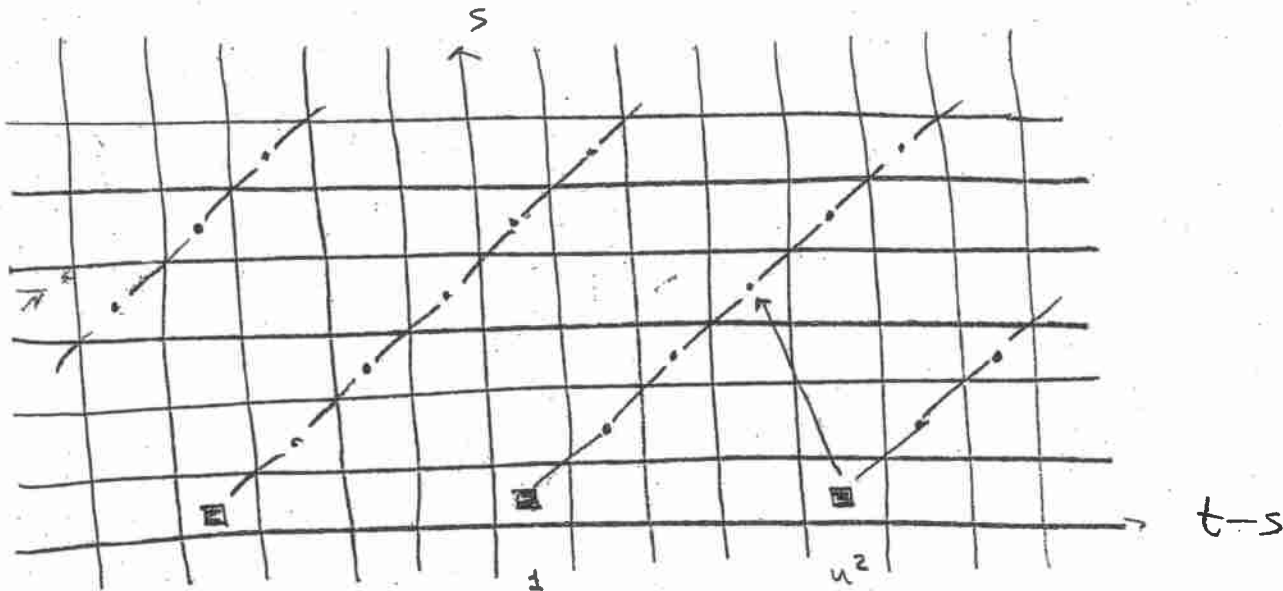
$$\text{action: } u \mapsto -u$$

$$H^*(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}[\alpha] / (2\alpha) \quad \text{deg } \alpha = 2.$$

$$H^*(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}(1)) = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \text{-vector space w. basis } \eta, \alpha\eta, \alpha^2\eta, \dots \quad \eta \in H^1.$$

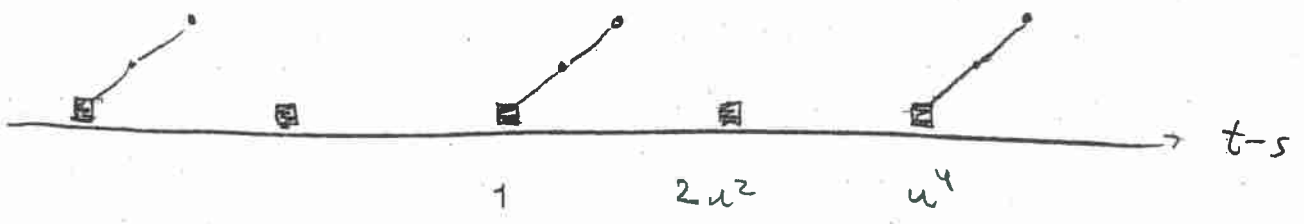
So in Adams grading - the spectral sequence takes the form

$$H^s(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}, K_t) \Rightarrow KO_{t-s}$$



$$\square = \alpha, \quad \bullet = \alpha/2, \quad \nearrow = \eta \alpha$$

know that η^3 must be annihilated, can only happen by $d_3(u^2) = \eta^3$. So the E_4 -term takes the form



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Pretend that the sheaf \mathcal{O}^{top} of E_0 -ring spectra on M_{Ell} in the étale topology has been constructed. Consider $\mathcal{O}^{\text{top}}(M_{\text{Ell}})$ or rather

$$\text{tmf} \hat{=} \mathcal{O}^{\text{top}}(M_{\text{Weier}})$$

$$p=5: y^2 = x^3 + a_4x + a_6$$

$$c_4 = \text{const.}, a_4 \quad (\text{const.} = \text{known const.})$$

$$c_6 = \text{const.}, a_6$$

$$v_1 = c_4$$

Only automorphism is scaling $a_i \mapsto \lambda^i a_i$.
Super-singular:

$$y^2 = x^3 + c_6$$

Must also impose the condition that the curve is smooth, i.e. c_6 is a unit:

$$\Delta = \frac{c_4^3 - c_6^2}{1728}$$

Covering

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{A} \\ \underbrace{\hspace{10em}} \\ (\hat{M}_{\text{Ell}})_{\text{ss}}^{\wedge} \leftarrow \text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}_5[c_4, c_6^{\pm 1}]_{(c_4)}^{\wedge} \leftarrow \text{Spec } A[\lambda^{\pm 1}] \\ c_4 \longmapsto \lambda^4 c_4 \end{array}$$