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$(\mathcal{C}, w\mathcal{C}, D, 0)$ : pointed exact category w/ weak equiv. + strict duality

$KR(\mathcal{C}, w\mathcal{C}, D, 0)$ : real algebraic K-theory spectrum

real symmetric spectrum i.e.  $G = Gal(\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{R})$ -symm spectrum  
in sense of Mandell

variation of Waldhausen construction

compare with  $KR^{\oplus}(\mathcal{C}, w\mathcal{C}, D, 0)$ : real direct sum K-theory spectrum

real symmetric spectrum, variant of Segal construction

natural map  $KR^{\oplus}(\mathcal{C}, w\mathcal{C}, D, 0) \xrightarrow{\phi^*} KR(\mathcal{C}, w\mathcal{C}, D, 0)$

(because of description in terms of diagrams)

Main Theorem: If  $\mathcal{C}$  is split-exact, then  $KR^{\oplus}(\mathcal{C}, w\mathcal{C}, D, 0) \xrightarrow{\phi^*} KR(\mathcal{C}, w\mathcal{C}, D, 0)$

is a level weak equiv. of real symm spectra.

Defn: A (strong) duality structure on a category  $\mathcal{C}$  is a pair  $(D, \eta)$  with

$$\mathcal{C}^{op} \xrightarrow{D} \mathcal{C} \quad id_{\mathcal{C}} \xrightarrow{\eta} D \circ D^{op} \quad s.t.$$

$(D, D^{op}, \eta, \eta^{op})$  is adjoint equiv. of categories.

Ex:  $A$ =ring (unital, assoc).

$\mathcal{P}(A)$ =cat. of fin gen. proj. right  $A$ -modules

An antistructure on  $A$  is a pair  $(L, \alpha)$  with  $L = L_{12}$  = a right  $A \otimes A$ -module

$\alpha: L_{12} \rightarrow L_2$ , isom. of  $A \otimes A$ -modules

↑ 2 right  $A$ -mod. structures

s.t. 1.)  $L_1, L_2 \in ob \mathcal{P}(A)$ .

2.)  $\alpha \circ \alpha = id_L$

3.)  $A \rightarrow Hom_A(L_2, L_1)_2 \xrightarrow{1 \mapsto \alpha}$  is an isomorphism

"line bundle condition" on  $L$ .

Associated duality structure on  $\mathcal{P}(A)$ :

$$D\mathcal{P}^{op} = Hom(\mathcal{P}, L)_2 \quad \mathcal{P}(A)^{op} \xrightarrow{D} \mathcal{P}(A) \quad \mathcal{P}^{op} \in \mathcal{P}(A)^{op}$$

$$\eta_{\mathcal{P}}(x)(f) = \alpha(f(x)) \quad id \xrightarrow{\eta} D \circ D^{op}$$

Every duality structure on  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  is of this form.

Ex: 1.) A commutative.  $L = \mu^* A$ ,  $A \otimes A \xrightarrow{\mu} A$   $\alpha = +id$  (or  $\alpha = -id$ )  
 orthog k-thing  $\downarrow$  symplectic k-thing

2.)  $\Gamma$  group.  $A = \mathbb{Z}[\Gamma]$  group ring (Hopf algebra)  
 $L = \mathbb{Z} \otimes (A \otimes A)$   $\alpha = id \otimes$  (twist)  
 $\begin{matrix} \uparrow A & \downarrow A \\ \circlearrowleft & \circlearrowright \\ \circ & \Delta \end{matrix}$

Rmk: can replace every cat. w/ duality  $(\mathcal{C}, D, \eta)$  by an equiv cat w/ strict duality  $(\tilde{\mathcal{C}}, \tilde{D})$  (where  $\tilde{\eta} = id$ ).

obj  $\tilde{\mathcal{C}} = (c, c', f)$   $c \xrightarrow{f} Dc'^{op}$   
 morph  $(c_1, c_1', f_1) \xrightarrow{(g, g')} (c_2, c_2', f_2)$  s.t.  $\begin{matrix} c_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} Dc_1'^{op} \\ g \downarrow A \downarrow g'^{op} \\ c_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} Dc_2'^{op} \end{matrix}$  commutes.  
 $\tilde{D}(c, c', f) = (c', c, Df^{op} \circ \eta_c)$   
 adjoint of  $f$

Fix  $G = Gal(\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{R})$   $\sigma \in G$  generator (cx conj.)

Real Set: closed symm monoidal category

obj: real set = left  $G$ -set; morph real maps =  $G$ -equiv maps

Internal hom:  $\underline{Hom}(X, Y) = \{ \text{all maps } f: X \rightarrow Y \}$  w/ conj action:  $(\sigma f)(x) = \sigma(f(\sigma^{-1}x))$

A Real category is a cat. enriched in Real set (obj: no action on objects)

Real functor = enriched functor

Ex: Real simplicial index category  $\Delta_{\mathbb{R}}$

obj  $[n] = 0 \leftarrow 1 \leftarrow \dots \leftarrow n$  ( $n \geq 0$ )

$\underline{Hom}_{\Delta_{\mathbb{R}}}( [m], [n] ) = Hom_{\Delta}( [m], [n] )$  with action

$\begin{matrix} [m] & \xrightarrow{\sigma} & [m]^{op} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & [m] \\ \downarrow \theta & \lrcorner & \downarrow \theta^{op} & & \downarrow \sigma \cdot \theta \\ [n] & & [n]^{op} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & [n] \end{matrix}$  unique isomorphisms!  
 $[n-1] \xrightarrow{d^1} [n]$   $\sigma \cdot d^1 = d^{n-1} : [n-1] \rightarrow [n]$

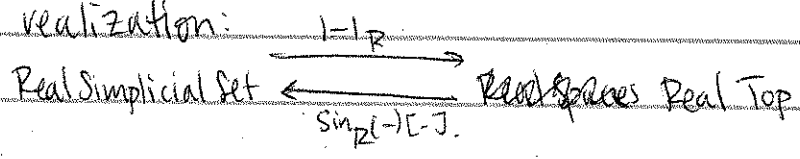
Defn: A real simplicial set is a real functor  $\Delta_{\mathbb{R}}^{op} \xrightarrow{X[-]} RealSet$   
 ("same" as the  $\Delta G$ -sets of Fiedorowicz - Lodaz)

Ex: (Real nerve)  $(\mathcal{C}, D)$ : cat. w/ strict duality

$\Delta_{\mathbb{R}}^{op} \xrightarrow{N(\mathcal{C}, D)[-]} RealSet$

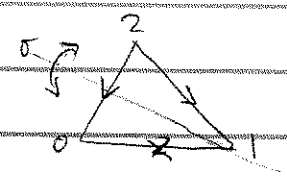
$N(\mathcal{C}, D)[n] \xrightarrow{\text{all functors}} \{ \text{all functors } [n] \rightarrow \mathcal{C} \}$  action:  $\begin{matrix} [n] & \xrightarrow{\sigma} & [n]^{op} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & [n] \\ \downarrow \mathcal{C} & \lrcorner & \downarrow \mathcal{C}^{op} & & \downarrow \sigma \cdot \mathcal{C} \\ \mathcal{C} & & \mathcal{C}^{op} & \xrightarrow{D} & \mathcal{C} \end{matrix}$

Geometric realization:



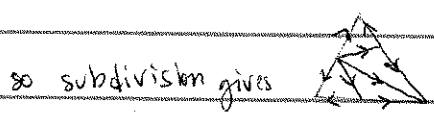
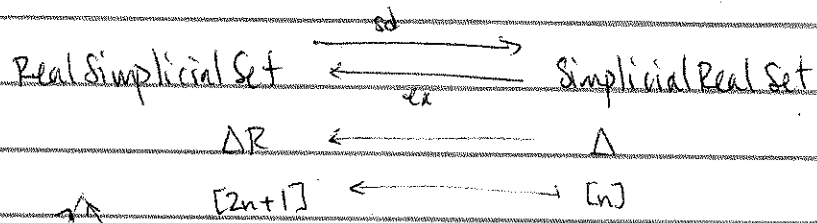
$|·|_p$  enriched coends

Ex:  $S^{2,1}[E-J] = \Delta R[2][E-J] / \partial \Delta R[2][E-J]$   
 $S^{2,1} := |S^{2,1}[E-J]|_R \xrightarrow{\sim} S^0$



not simplicial action  
 this is simplicial structure

Also: adjunction



so subdivision gives

(but try not to subdivide so as not to lose control.)

real symmetric spectrum = symm. sp in Real Top<sub>R</sub> w.r.t.  $S^{2,1}$

Real Waldhausen construction:

$(\mathcal{C}, w\mathcal{C}, D, 0)$  ptd exact cat w/ weak equivalences & strict duality  
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$(S^{2,1}\mathcal{C}[E-J], wS^{2,1}\mathcal{C}[E-J], D[E-J], 0[E-J])$  real simplicial ptd exact cat w/ w.equiv & strg. duality

(why ordinary Waldhausen construction doesn't work  
 $|Nw\mathcal{C}[E-J]|_{S^{2,1}} \xrightarrow{\sim} |NwS\mathcal{C}[E-J]|_R$   
 $S^{2,1} = S^{2,1}R$  not equivariant for triv. action on  $S^1$ )

The category  $S^{1,1}\mathcal{C}[n] \subset \text{Cat}(\text{Cat}([1], [n]), \mathcal{C})$  w/ some conditions.

now: change 1 to 2

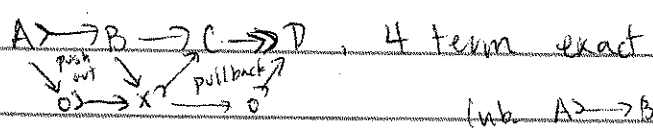
$S^{1,2}\mathcal{C}[n] \subset \text{Cat}(\text{Cat}([2], [n]), \mathcal{C})$  is the full subcat of functors

$A: \text{Cat}([2], [n]) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$  s.t.

1.) for all  $\sigma: [1] \rightarrow [n]$   $A(s_{\sigma,0}) = A(s_{\sigma,1}) = 0$

2.) for all  $\sigma: [3] \rightarrow [n]$ , the sequence

$A(d_{\sigma,0}) \rightarrow A(d_{\sigma,1}) \rightarrow A(d_{\sigma,2}) \rightarrow A(d_{\sigma,3})$  is a 4-term exact seq.



(w/  $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$  triv.)

Rmk:  $S^{2,1} \in [0] = \{0,0,3\}$ ;  $S^{2,1} \in [1] = \{0,1,3\}$

$$S^{2,1} \in [2] \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{C} \quad A \mapsto A(\text{id}_{\mathbb{C}[2]})$$

Defn The real algebraic  $K$ -theory spectrum of  $(\mathbb{C}, w_{\mathbb{C}}, D, 0)$  is the real symmetric spectrum with  $v^{\text{th}}$  space

$$KR(\mathbb{C}, w_{\mathbb{C}}, D, 0)_r = \text{IN}(w_{S^{2r,1v}} \mathbb{C}[r], D[r]) [r]_{\mathbb{R}}$$

and with structure maps

$$KR(\mathbb{C}, w_{\mathbb{C}}, D, 0)_r \wedge S^{2s,s} \xrightarrow{\sigma_{r,s}} KR(\mathbb{C}, w_{\mathbb{C}}, D, 0)_{r+s}$$

induced from the inclusion of the 2-skeleton in the last  $s$  real simplicial directions

The real algebraic  $K$ -groups:

$$KP_{p,q}(\mathbb{C}, w_{\mathbb{C}}, D, 0) = [S^{p,q}, KR(\mathbb{C}, w_{\mathbb{C}}, D, 0)]_{\mathbb{R}}$$

$$S^{1,0} = \sum_{S^{2i}} S^{\mathbb{R}}; \quad S^{1,1} = \sum_{S^{2i}} S^{\mathbb{C}} \quad \leftarrow \text{sign rep.}$$

$$S^{p,q} = (S^{1,0})^{\wedge p-q} \wedge (S^{1,1})^{\wedge q} \quad \text{Lewis-Mandell: } \text{PO}(n) \text{ htpy grps for sym spectra}$$

$$" \quad KR^{\oplus}(\mathbb{C}, w_{\mathbb{C}}, D, 0)_r = \text{IN}(w_{\text{ptd } \mathbb{C}\text{-valued sheaves on } S^{2r,1v}} [r], D[r]) [r] \quad "$$

In the pipeline: use real Waldhausen theory to prove additivity, etc.

Main Thm impds:

Cor If  $\mathbb{C}$  is split-exact, then:

1.) For all  $r \geq 1$ ,  $KR(\mathbb{C}, i_{\mathbb{C}}, D, 0)_r \xrightarrow{\sim \sigma_{r,1}} \Omega^{2,1} KR(\mathbb{C}, i_{\mathbb{C}}, D, 0)_{r-1}$  is a weak equiv. of pointed real spaces

2.) For every subgroup  $H \subset G_r$ ,

$$H_{\star}(KR(\mathbb{C}, i_{\mathbb{C}}, D, 0)_r^H) [\Pi_0 KR(\mathbb{C}, i_{\mathbb{C}}, D, 0)_r^H]^{-1} \text{ is isomorphic to } H_{\star}(\Omega^{2,1} KR(\mathbb{C}, i_{\mathbb{C}}, D, 0)_{r-1}^H)$$

By Segal subdivision:

$$KR(\mathbb{C}, i_{\mathbb{C}}, D, 0)_r^{\mathbb{G}} = \text{IN}(i_{\mathbb{C}}, D) [r]_{\mathbb{R}}^{\mathbb{G}} \xleftarrow{\cong} \text{IN}(\text{Sym}(i_{\mathbb{C}}, D) [r])$$

where  $\text{Sym}(i_{\mathbb{C}}, D)$  is the cat. of symmetric spaces in  $(i_{\mathbb{C}}, D)$ :

obj:  $(c, c \xrightarrow{f} D_c^{\text{op}})$  s.t.  $f = Df^{\text{op}}$  (symm/skew symm matrices for  $\alpha = \text{id}/-\text{id}$ )

morph: 
$$\begin{array}{ccc} c_0 & \xrightarrow{f_0} & D_{c_0}^{\text{op}} \\ \uparrow \cong & & \uparrow \cong \downarrow Df^{\text{op}} \\ c_1 & \xrightarrow{f_1} & D_{c_1}^{\text{op}} \end{array}$$

Cor:  $KR'_{p,0}(\mathbb{C}, i\mathbb{C}, D, 0) = (\pi_0 \text{Sym}(i\mathbb{C}, D), 1)^{\text{gr}}$   
group completion  
↳ orthog. sum

Final remarks:

- 1)  $KR_{p,0}(\mathbb{C}, w\mathbb{C}, D, 0) = K\text{Herm}_p(\mathbb{C}, w\mathbb{C}, D, 0)$   
 $KR_{p,-1} = U_p$  (Karoubi)     $KR_{p,1} = V_{p,1}$  (Karoubi)  
 $KR_{p,-2} = E_p$     "     $KR_{p,2} = D_{p,2}$     "
- 2)  $KR(\mathbb{C}, w\mathbb{C}, D, 0)^{\text{gr}}$  is going to be L-theory of some kind  
(if 2 invertible, Ranicki L-groups.)
- 3.) this is connective theory but should be made nonconnective  
Peterson-Wieland methods.