

# THH of the connective cover of $L_{K(1)}S$

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Once TC is known, there are methods for going from TC to algebraic K-theory.

**Thm:(Dundas, Goodwillie, McCarthy)**

Let  $A$  be an  $S$ -algebra with a surjective ring map  $\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_p \rightarrow \pi_0(A)$ . Then the cyclotomic trace fits in a cofiber sequence

$$\hat{K}(A)_p \longrightarrow \hat{TC}(A)_p \longrightarrow \Sigma^{-1}H\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_p$$

To compute topological cyclic homology, we use the fact that  $THH(A)$  is a cyclotomic  $S^1$ -equivariant spectrum. We can therefore define Frobenius and restriction maps,

$$THH(A)^{C_{p^n}} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{F} \\ \xrightarrow{R} \end{array} THH(A)^{C_{p^{n-1}}}$$

We define  $TC(A; p) := \mathit{holim}_{R, F} THH(A)^{C_{p^n}}$  and  $TC(A)_p \simeq TC(A; p)_p$ , so this is enough for computations up to  $p$ -completion.

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$$\text{THH}(R) \simeq |\text{Bar}_{\text{cyc}}(R)|$$

where  $|\text{---}|$  denotes geometric realization of a simplicial ring spectrum.

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## Def:

A filtration of a commutative ring spectrum  $R$ , is a sequence of cofibrations

$$\dots \longrightarrow I_n \longrightarrow I_{n-1} \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow I_1 \longrightarrow I_0 = R$$

with structure maps

$$\rho_{i,j} : I_i \wedge I_j \longrightarrow I_{i+j}$$

satisfying compatibility, commutativity, associativity, and unitality.

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The sequence of cofibrations  $* \longrightarrow \Sigma^{2p-3}\ell_p \longrightarrow \ell_{K(1)}S$  is a filtration of the commutative ring spectrum  $\ell_{K(1)}S$ .

# Construction of the spectral sequence

We have a filtration of the simplicial ring spectrum whose geometric realization is  $\mathrm{THH}(\ell_{K(1)}S)$ . We write  $K := \ell_{K(1)}S$  and  $I = \Sigma^{2p-3}\ell_p$ , then there is a filtration of  $\mathrm{THH}(K)$  (where "+" indicates a colimit of an appropriate diagram):

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 K & \longleftarrow & K^{(2)} & \longleftarrow & K^{(3)} & \longleftarrow & \dots \\
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Letting  $M_0$  be the first row,  $M_1$  the second row, and so on. We get a tower of cofibrations

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \vdots & & \\ \downarrow & & \\ |M_2| & \longrightarrow & |M_2|/|M_3| \\ \downarrow & & \\ |M_1| & \longrightarrow & |M_1|/|M_2| \\ \downarrow & & \\ |M_0| & \longrightarrow & |M_0|/|M_1| \end{array}$$

The spectral sequence is the spectral sequence of the exact couple associated to this tower of cofibrations after applying any homology theory including stable homotopy.



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## Lemma: (Schwanzl-Vogt-Waldhausen)

For  $K$  a commutative  $S$  algebra and  $R, A$  commutative  $K$ -algebras

$$THH^K(R \wedge_K A) \simeq THH^K(R) \wedge_K THH^K(A)$$

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# Splitting

There is an additive splitting,  $|THH(R)| \simeq |C_0| \vee |C_1| \vee \dots$ , where  $C_i$  is given by the  $i$ -th row below.

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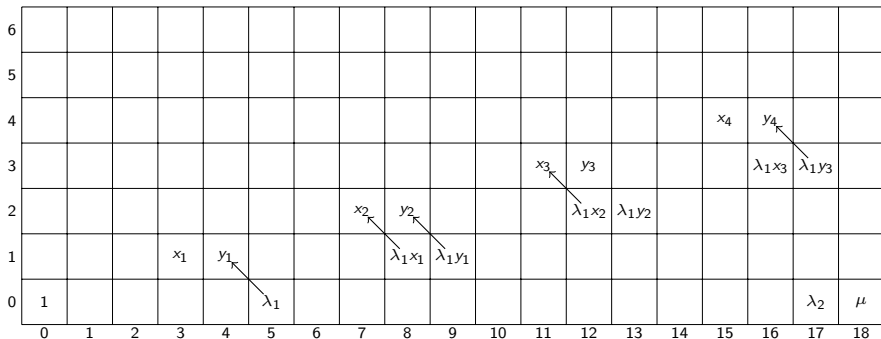
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Due to McClure-Staffeldt,  $V(1)_*(THH(\ell)) \cong E(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) \otimes P(\mu)$ , so the  $E_2$  page of the THH-May spectral sequence in  $V(1)$ -homotopy is as follows.

# $V(1)$ -smash THH-May SS at $p = 3$



The element  $x_1 = x \otimes 1$ ,  $x_i = x \otimes \gamma_i(\sigma x)$  for  $i > 1$ , and  $y_i = 1 \otimes \gamma_i(\sigma x)$ . This is a picture of

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where  $|\lambda_1| = (2p - 1, 0)$ ,  $|\lambda_2| = (2p^2 - 1, 0)$ ,  $|\mu| = 2p^2$  and  $|x| = 2p - 3$  and  $|\sigma x| = 2p - 2$ .

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$$V(1)_*(THH(\ell_{K(1)}S)) \cong E(x, \lambda_1(\gamma_{p-1}(\sigma x)), \lambda_2) \otimes \Gamma(\gamma_p(\sigma x)) \otimes P(\mu)$$



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## Red shift conjecture

For  $B$  a height one spectrum, the map

$$V(1) \wedge K(B) \longrightarrow v_2^{-1}V(1) \wedge K(B)$$

is an isomorphism in homotopy in sufficiently high degrees.

This would mean that the telescopic complexity of  $K(B)$  is 2.

Thank You

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