

SUVITOP 10/12/14

## The reduction theorem & the gap theorem

Thm (Reduction thm): There is a v.e. between  $(G = C_{2^n})$

$$h: MU^{((G))} \wedge_A \mathcal{S} \xrightarrow{\sim} H\underline{\mathbb{Z}}_{(2)}$$

$$A = \mathcal{S}[\bar{\varepsilon}_1, \bar{\varepsilon}_2, \dots] \rightarrow MU^{((G))}$$

Proof: By induction on  $\#G = g$ . When  $g=2$ , this is Quillen's thm on FGL

In the induction step we can make w/ the isotropy separation sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 EP_+ \wedge (MU^{((G))} \wedge_A \mathcal{S}) & \longrightarrow & MU^{((G))} \wedge_A \mathcal{S} & \longrightarrow & \widetilde{EP} \wedge (MU^{((G))} \wedge_A \mathcal{S}) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 EP_+ \wedge H\underline{\mathbb{Z}}_{(2)} & \longrightarrow & H\underline{\mathbb{Z}}_{(2)} & \longrightarrow & \widetilde{EP} \wedge H\underline{\mathbb{Z}}_{(2)}
 \end{array}$$

The map on the left is an equivalence by the induction hypothesis (checks on fixed pts for proper subgroups). So our goal is to show that the map on the right is an equivalence. So we just need to check if it is a v.e. on the  $G$ -fixed pts.

$$\pi_*^G h: \pi_* \underline{\Phi}^G (MU^{((G))} \wedge_A \mathcal{S}) \longrightarrow \pi_* \underline{\Phi}^G (H\underline{\mathbb{Z}}_{(2)})$$

STEP 1: These are isomorphic as abstract groups.

$$\pi_* \underline{\Phi}^G H\underline{\mathbb{Z}}_{(2)} = \mathbb{Z}/2[b] \quad |b|=2$$

$$\pi_* \underline{\Phi}^G (MU^{((G))} \wedge_A \mathcal{S}) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/2 & * \text{ even} \\ 0 & * \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$$\pi_* \underline{\Phi}^G (MU^{((G))} \wedge_A \mathcal{S}) = \pi_* \left( \underbrace{\underline{\Phi}^G MU^{((G))}}_{= MO} \wedge_{\underline{\Phi}^G A} \underbrace{\underline{\Phi}^G \mathcal{S}}_{= \mathcal{S}} \right)$$

since  $\underline{\Phi}^G$  is symm. monoidal

So we need to figure out what  $\underline{\Phi}^G A$  is.

$$\underline{\text{Claim}}: \underline{\Phi}^G A = \mathcal{S}[\underline{\Phi}^G(N_{C_2}^G \bar{\varepsilon}_1), \dots] = \mathcal{S}[\underline{\Phi}^G \bar{\varepsilon}_1, \dots]$$

Claim: We only need to show that  $\pi_*^G h$  is surjective when  $* = 2^k$

$$\pi_{2^k}^G h: \pi_{2^k}^G \left( \frac{MU^{(4)}}{(G \cdot \Sigma_{2^{k-1}})} \right) \rightarrow \pi_{2^k}^G \Phi^G H\mathbb{Z}_{(2)}$$

Proof: Binary

Let  $c_k = 2^{k-1}$ ,  $M_k = MU^{(4)} / (G \cdot \Sigma_{c_k})$

We have a restriction isomorphism

$$\pi_{c_k \beta_{G+1}}^G (E\tilde{P} \wedge M_k) \xrightarrow{\sim} \pi_{c_{k+1}}^G (E\tilde{P} \wedge M_k)$$

induced by the inclusion of representations  $S^{c_{k+1}} \hookrightarrow S^{c_k \beta_{G+1}}$

So we want to show  $N\Sigma_{c_k} \in \pi_{c_k \beta_G}^G MU^{(4)}$  lifts to  $b^{2^{k-1}}$

$$EP_+ \wedge MU^{(4)} \rightarrow MU^{(4)} \rightarrow E\tilde{P} \wedge MU^{(4)}$$

$$\downarrow \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \quad \quad \quad \downarrow$$

$$EP_+ \wedge M_k \rightarrow M_k \rightarrow E\tilde{P} \wedge M_k$$

$$\downarrow \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \quad \quad \quad \downarrow$$

$$EP_+ \wedge H\mathbb{Z}_{(2)} \rightarrow H\mathbb{Z}_{(2)} \rightarrow E\tilde{P} \wedge H\mathbb{Z}_{(2)}$$

$N\Sigma_{c_k}$  vanishes  
in here

$\Rightarrow$

$\Rightarrow$  it comes from some element in  $\pi_{c_k \beta_G}^G (EP_+ \wedge MU^{(4)})$ .

This goes to 0 in  $\pi_{c_k \beta_G}^G (M_k) \Rightarrow$  it comes from somewhere in

$\pi_{c_k \beta_{G+1}}^G (E\tilde{P} \wedge M_k)$  that gets mapped to some element in  $\pi_{c_k \beta_{G+1}}^G (EP_+ \wedge H\mathbb{Z}_{(2)})$

$$\pi_{c_k \beta_{G+1}}^G (E\tilde{P} \wedge M_k) \rightarrow \pi_{c_k \beta_G}^G (EP_+ \wedge M_k)$$

$$\downarrow \quad \quad \quad \downarrow$$

$$\pi_{c_k \beta_{G+1}}^G (E\tilde{P} \wedge H\mathbb{Z}_{(2)}) \rightarrow \pi_{c_k \beta_G}^G (EP_+ \wedge H\mathbb{Z}_{(2)})$$

non zero  
rest. to the  
inclusion

We need to show also that the image is non zero, but we don't have time.

Gap theorem:  $\Omega^{-i}(pt) = 0$  for  $-4 < i < 0$

Periodicity says  $\Omega^{-i}(pt) \cong \Omega^{-i-2^{j+1}}(pt)$  for  $j > 0$

Detection says that every Kervaire invariant one element should have nonzero image in  $\Omega^{-i-2^{j+1}}(pt)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega^{-i}(pt) &= \pi_i \Omega = \pi_i \Omega_0^{h\mathbb{C}_8} = \pi_i ((D^{-1}MU^{(\mathbb{C}_8)})^{h\mathbb{C}_8}) \\ &= \pi_i^{\mathbb{C}_8} (D^{-1}MU^{(\mathbb{C}_8)}) = \pi_i^{\mathbb{C}_8} (\text{hocolim } \Sigma^{-j^l} \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}_8} MU^{(\mathbb{C}_8)}) \\ &= \text{colim } \pi_i^{\mathbb{C}_8} \Sigma^{-j^l} \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}_8} MU^{(\mathbb{C}_8)}. \end{aligned}$$

Slice spectral sequence:  $\pi_i P_n^{\Sigma^{-j^l} \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}_8} MU^{(\mathbb{C}_8)}} \Rightarrow \pi_{i-n}^{\mathbb{C}_8} \Sigma^{-j^l} \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}_8} MU^{(\mathbb{C}_8)}$

*slice thm*  $\rightarrow$

$$\pi_i \Sigma^{-j^l} \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}_8} P_{n+nj^l}^{n+8j^l} MU^{(\mathbb{C}_8)} \rightarrow \pi_i \Sigma^{-j^l} \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}_8} \begin{cases} 0 & n \text{ odd} \\ H\mathbb{Z} \wedge \omega & n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

*isotropic*

$$= \pi_i \begin{cases} 0 \\ H \underline{z} \wedge w \end{cases} = 0 \quad \text{if } -4 < i < 0 \quad (\text{cell lemma})$$

↑ isohäric