

# Properties of THH

Recall THH for  $R \in \text{Alg}(S_p)$ .

•  $k \in \text{CAlg}(S_p)$ ,  $R \in \text{CAlg}(\text{Mod}_k)$

$$\text{THH}(R/k) := \text{HH}(R/\text{Mod}_k)$$

•  $\text{HH}(R) \simeq \text{THH}(R/\mathbb{Z})$   
( $D\mathbb{Z} \simeq \text{Mod}_{\mathbb{H}\mathbb{Z}}$ )

Prop THH:  $\text{Alg}(S_p) \rightarrow S_p$  is s.m..

$\text{HH}(-/e) : \text{Alg}(e) \rightarrow e$  is s.m.

(for good  $e$ )

Proof (holds intuitively, but has some coherence obstruction)

$$U : \text{Alg}(S_p) \rightarrow S_p$$

as an object in the s.m.

$$\text{Fun}^{\otimes}(\text{Alg}(S_p), S_p)$$

in fact it's an alg there

$$\mathrm{THH}(-) \cong \mathrm{HH}(\underline{U}/\underline{\mathrm{Fun}}(\mathrm{Alg}(S_p), S_p))$$

geometric realization  
exists and is computed  
underlyingly.

Cor  $R \in \mathrm{Alg}_{E_n}(S_p)$   $S_p$  can be replaced  
 $\Rightarrow \mathrm{THH}(R) \in \mathrm{Alg}_{E_{n-1}}(S_p)$  by  $\mathbb{C}$

Proof use  $\mathrm{Alg}_{E_n} = \mathrm{Alg}_{E_{n-1}} \mathrm{Alg}_{E_1}$ .

In particular,  $n = \infty$ . ...

$$A \underset{\mathbb{S}}{\otimes} A = \mathrm{colim}_{\mathbb{S}} A = A^{\otimes 2}$$

Recall  $A, B \in \mathrm{CAlg}(S_p)$ ,

$A \underset{\mathbb{S}}{\otimes} B$  is the coproduct in  $\mathrm{CAlg}(S_p)$ .

Prop. For  $R \in \mathrm{CAlg}(S_p)$

$$\mathrm{THH}(R) \cong \mathrm{colim}_{\mathbb{S}^1} (R) \in \mathrm{CAlg}(S_p)$$

$$=: R \otimes S^1$$

Warning: The colimit  $\operatorname{colim}_{S^1}^{(\text{Alg}(Sp))} R$  is different

$$\begin{aligned} \text{from } \operatorname{colim}_{S^1}^{Sp} R &= \operatorname{colim} \{ \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow R \oplus R \rightarrow R \} \\ &\simeq R \otimes S^1 \\ &= R \otimes \Sigma_+^\infty S^1 \\ &= R \otimes \Sigma R \end{aligned}$$

### Base change formula for THH

(1) given lax s.m. functor  $e: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$

have a canonical

$$\operatorname{HH}(F A / \mathcal{D}) \rightarrow F(\operatorname{HH}(A / e))$$

for  $A \in \operatorname{Alg}(\mathcal{C})$

(2) Suppose  $F$  strong s.m., preserves geo. res.

then it's  $\sim$ .

Example : (1)  $H : \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_p$ .

(2) Given  $k \rightarrow k'$  of com. ring spectra.

$$-\otimes_k^{\mathbb{L}} k' : \text{Mod}_k \rightarrow \text{Mod}_{k'}$$

is sim., preserves colimits.

$$\text{So } \text{THH}(R/k) \otimes_k^{\mathbb{L}} k' \simeq \text{THH}(R \otimes_k^{\mathbb{L}} k'/k')$$

Now, suppose  $k$  is a perfect, ordinary com.  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -alg.

e.g.  $\mathbb{F}_p$ ,  $\mathbb{F}_p[x^{1/p^\infty}] = \text{colim}(\mathbb{F}_p[x] \xrightarrow{(-)^p} \mathbb{F}_p[x] \rightarrow \dots)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{have } Hk \rightarrow \text{THH}(k) & k \rightarrow \text{THH}_*(k) \\ \text{THH}(\mathbb{F}_p) \rightarrow \text{THH}(k) & \mathbb{F}_p[x] \rightarrow \text{THH}_*(k) \end{array}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow Hk \otimes_{H\mathbb{F}_p}^{\mathbb{L}} \text{THH}(\mathbb{F}_p) \rightarrow \text{THH}(k), \quad k[x] \rightarrow \text{THH}_*(k)$$

Thm (Bökstedt periodicity for perfect rings)

$k$  as above.

$k[x] \rightarrow \mathrm{THH}_*(k)$  is iso

$\Leftrightarrow \mathrm{THH}(k)$  is the free  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -alg on  $x$  over  $\mathbb{H}k$ .

Proof.  $k$  perfect  $\Rightarrow \exists$  com. ring spectrum

$\mathcal{S}(W(k))$  called "spherical Witt vectors"

s.t.  $\mathcal{S}(W(k)) \otimes_{\mathcal{S}} \mathbb{H}\mathbb{F}_p \cong k$

(life of  $k$  along  $\mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}\mathbb{F}_p$ )

$k$   $\mathbb{F}_p$ -alg  $\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{S}$ -alg

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \mathrm{THH}(k) &\cong \mathrm{THH}(\mathcal{S}(W(k))) \otimes_{\mathcal{S}} \mathrm{THH}(\mathbb{F}_p) \\ &\cong (\mathrm{THH}(\mathcal{S}(W(k))) \otimes_{\mathbb{H}\mathbb{F}_p} \mathbb{H}\mathbb{F}_p) \otimes_{\mathcal{S}} \mathrm{THH}(\mathbb{F}_p) \\ &\cong \underbrace{\mathrm{THH}(k/\mathbb{H}\mathbb{F}_p)} \otimes_{\mathbb{H}\mathbb{F}_p} \mathrm{THH}(\mathbb{F}_p) \end{aligned}$$

$$s/ \quad HH(k/\mathbb{F}_p) \cong k$$

For  $k$   $\mathbb{F}_p$ -ring,  $THH(k) = k^{\otimes S^1}$ .

get an  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -map

$$THH(k) \rightarrow k$$

$$\text{colim}_{S^1}^{Ag(Sp)} k \longrightarrow \text{colim}_{pt}^{Ag(Sp)} k$$

$$s.t. \quad k \longrightarrow THH(k) \longrightarrow k$$

is id.

Remark Such retract may not exist if

$k$  is  $\mathbb{F}_p$ -ring spectrum  $n < \infty$ .

Thm  $k$  Com. ring spectrum

$R \in \mathbb{E}_1$   $k$ -alg. (in  $\text{Alg}_{\mathbb{E}_1}(\text{Mod}_k)$ ).

Then  $\text{THH}(R/k) \simeq \text{THH}(R) \otimes_{\text{THH}(k)} k$

Sketch  $\text{Colim}(\dots \rightarrow R \otimes_k R \rightarrow R)$

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 $(\dots \rightarrow k \otimes_k k \rightarrow k)$

$\simeq \text{THH}(R) \otimes_{\text{THH}(k)} k$

