

# 10 - generalized homology of BU

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Lemma:  $E$  co orientable  $E_* BU \cong E_* [b_1, b_2, \dots]$

$$E_* \mathbb{C}P^\infty = E_* \{b_0, b_1, \dots\}$$

$$b_i = \langle e^i \rangle$$

$$E_* BU(n) \cong E_* (\mathbb{C}P^\infty)^n / \Sigma_n \cong b_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes b_{i_n} / \Sigma_n$$

$$\begin{matrix} b_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes b_{i_n} \\ \downarrow \\ b_{i_1 + \dots + i_n} \end{matrix} \in E_* BU(n+1)$$

□ [Exercise fill in details of this argument]

Prop:  $E_* MU \cong E_* [b_1, b_2, \dots]$

$$E \wedge BU(n) \xrightarrow{\text{hom}} E \wedge BU(n)_+$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$E \wedge MU \rightarrow E \wedge BU_+ \quad \left( \text{map of ring spectra } \downarrow \right)$$

Note:  $E \wedge MU$  has two natural co orientations

$$\mathbb{C}P^\infty \xrightarrow{x_E} \Sigma^2 E \rightarrow \Sigma^2 E \wedge MU$$

$$\mathbb{C}P^\infty \xrightarrow{x_{MU}} \Sigma^2 MU \rightarrow \Sigma^2 E \wedge MU$$

Exercise: in  $(E \wedge MU)^*(\mathbb{C}P^\infty)$ ,  $x_{MU} = \sum_i b_i x_E^{i+1}$

$\text{Ring}(MU, E) =$  co orientations of  $E$

Fix one co orientation of  $E$   $x_E$

Given  $MU \rightarrow E$ , set  $E \wedge MU \xrightarrow{\varphi} E_*$

$$x'_E = \sum_i Q(b_i) x_E$$


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Thm: (Milnor)  $\pi_* MU = \mathbb{Z}[x_1, x_2, \dots]$   $|x_i| = 2i$

pf: use ASS

$$\text{Ext}_{A_*}(\mathbb{F}_p, H_* MU) \Rightarrow (\pi_* MU)_p \quad \text{for any } p.$$

$$H = H\mathbb{F}_p$$


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