Homotopical vector bundles on differentiable stacks

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Let $\mathcal{G}_1 \rightrightarrows \mathcal{G}_0$ be a Lie groupoid. Examples:

- manifold $M \rightrightarrows M$.
- Lie group $G \rightrightarrows *$.
- action groupoid $G \ltimes M \rightrightarrows M$ for an action $G \curvearrowright M$.

Definition

A representation of \mathcal{G} is a vector bundle E over \mathcal{G}_0 and action maps $a_g: E_{s(g)} \to E_{t(g)}$ for $g \in \mathcal{G}_1$. + associativity + unitality

- vector bundle.
- representation of the Lie group.
- equivariant vector bundle.

Representations up to homotopy

 $G \ltimes M \rightrightarrows M$ action groupoid. A *representation up to homotopy* is:



 $\rightsquigarrow \mathsf{dg}\mathsf{-}\mathsf{category}\ \mathsf{Rep}_\infty(\mathcal{G})$

Conjecture ([AC09])

The functor $\operatorname{Rep}_{\infty}$: $\operatorname{Grpd}^{\operatorname{op}} \to \operatorname{dg}Cat$ maps Morita equivalences to weak equivalences. Equivalently, $\operatorname{Rep}_{\infty}$ factors through $\operatorname{Grpd} \to \operatorname{Stacks}$.

Start with $\mathcal{F}: \mathcal{M}\mathrm{fld}^\mathrm{op} \to \mathcal{C}$. Write:

$$[\mathcal{G}_0/\!/\mathcal{G}_1] = \mathsf{hocolim}_{\Delta^{\mathrm{op}}}(\mathcal{G}_0 \overleftarrow{\longleftarrow} \mathcal{G}_1 \overleftarrow{\longleftarrow} \mathcal{G}_2 \overleftarrow{\longleftarrow} \dots)$$

Define

$$\mathcal{F}([\mathcal{G}_0//\mathcal{G}_1]) := \operatorname{holim}_{\Delta} \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{G}_n).$$

This is a right Kan extension to (pre)stacks.



e.g. $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{C}^{\infty} : \mathcal{M}\mathrm{fld}^{\mathrm{op}} \to \mathsf{Ch}_{\mathbb{R}}.$



Consider the functor

$$\begin{split} \mathrm{dg}\mathcal{V}\mathrm{ec}:\mathcal{M}\mathrm{fld}^\mathrm{op} &\longrightarrow \mathrm{dg}\mathcal{C}\mathrm{at} \\ & \mathcal{M} \longmapsto \mathrm{dg}\mathcal{V}\mathrm{ec}(\mathcal{M}) \,. \end{split}$$

Extend this functor:

$$\mathrm{dg}\mathcal{V}\mathrm{ec}([\mathcal{G}_0//\mathcal{G}_1]) := \operatorname{holim}_{\Delta} \mathrm{dg}\mathcal{V}\mathrm{ec}(\mathcal{G}_n)$$

Use Bousfield-Kan formula:

$$\mathsf{holim}_{\Delta} \mathrm{dg} \mathcal{V}\mathrm{ec}(\mathcal{G}_n) \simeq \int_{\Delta} \underbrace{\mathrm{dg} \mathcal{V}\mathrm{ec}(\mathcal{G}_n)^{\Delta^n}}_{\mathsf{dg} \mathsf{dg} \mathsf{d$$

need to make sense of this



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$$E_1$$

$$E_0 \xrightarrow{\simeq} E_2 \in \operatorname{dg} \operatorname{\mathcal{V}ec}(\mathcal{G}_2)^{\Delta^2}$$

Theorem (DA)

The dg categories ${\rm dg}{\mathcal V}{\rm ec}([{\mathcal G}_0/\!/{\mathcal G}_1])$ and ${\rm Rep}_\infty({\mathcal G})$ are weakly equivalent.



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Thank you for your attention!



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