

# On higher and iterated topological Hochschild homology

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There is also "higher  $THH$ ". Generalizes Pirashvili's *higher order Hochschild homology* and is related to topological André-Quillen homology.

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**Goal:** describe a framework which unifies these constructions. Find conditions on  $A$  such that  $\{B^n A\}_{n \geq 0}$  gets a graded multiplication, and identify it.

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*If  $A$  is a discrete ring and  $E$  is a commutative ring spectrum with a Künneth isomorphism, then*

$$E_*(THH^{[*]}(\mathbb{S}[A], \mathbb{S})) \cong E_*(K(A, *))$$

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$KU$ : complex topological  $K$ -theory commutative ring spectrum.

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$K(1)$ -homology of E-M spaces +  $K(\mathbb{Z}, 3)_{\mathbb{Q}} \simeq S_{\mathbb{Q}}^3$  + Bott periodicity.



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