

# From motives to motivic homotopy types.

1. 60-ies and 70-ies : study of individual cohomology theories and particular connections between them. Formulation of "standard conjectures".

First (mostly unsuccessful) attempt of systematization - Grothendieck's "motives"

2. ~~late~~ <sup>mid</sup> 80ies : the idea of motivic cohomology; reformulation of the standard conjectures in new terms;

Second attempt of systematization - Beilinson's and Deligne's "mixed motives" and "motivic sheaves". Conjectural.

3. late 80ies - mid 90ies: construction of motivic cohomology; establishment of their "easy" properties.

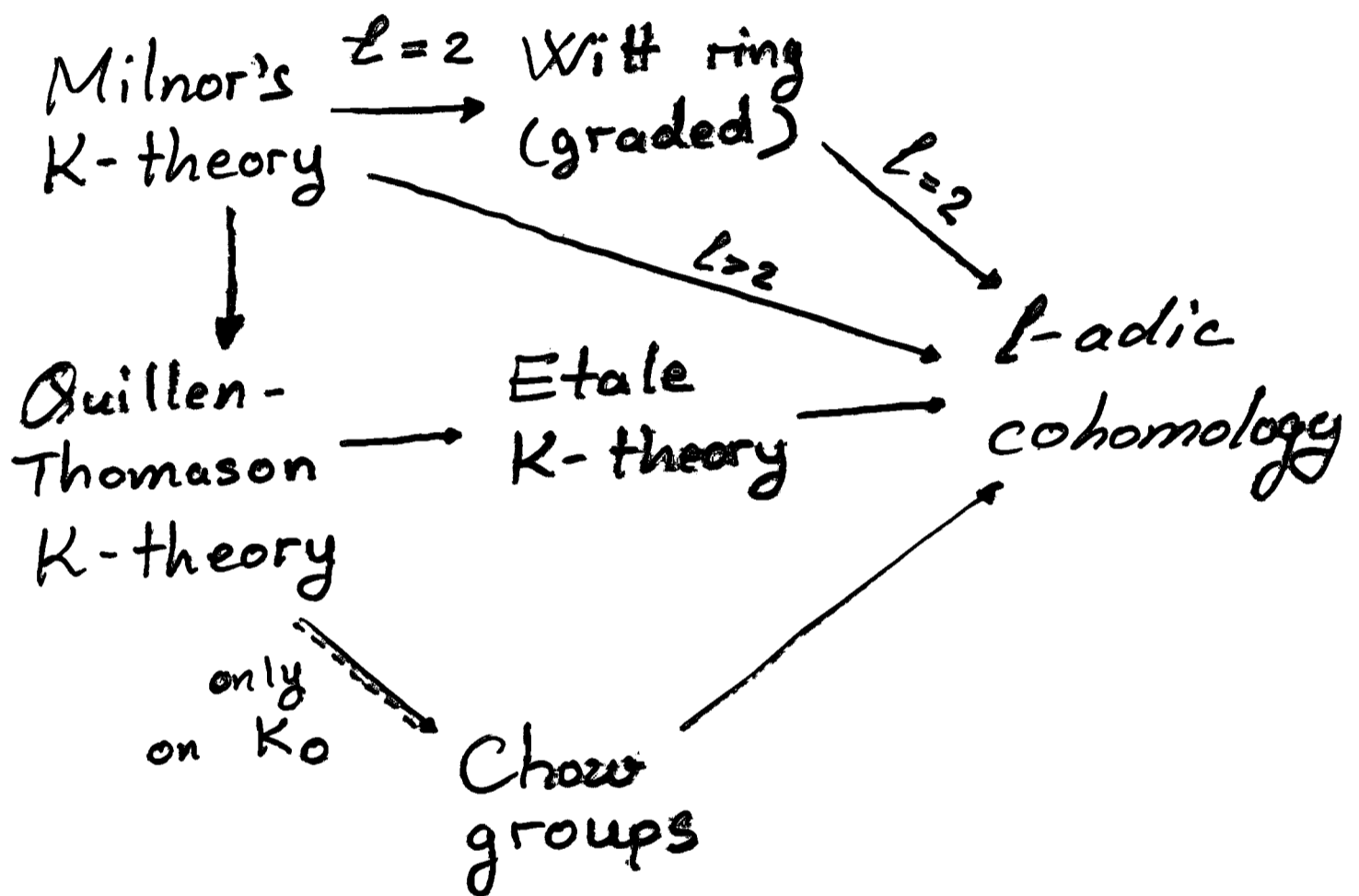
Third attempt of systematization -  
- triangulated categories of motives. Successful but of limited use.

4. mid 90ies - now : construction of stable and partly unstable motivic homotopy theories. Stable homotopy groups, algebraic cobordism, Steenrod operations, duality. Very good progress on all ~~conjectures~~ standard conjectures related to finite coefficients.

Cohomology theories  $Alg/k \rightarrow Ab$   
defined and studied in 60-70s

1.  $l$ -adic (etale) cohomology
2. Quillen - Thomason  $K$ -theory
3. Etale  $K$ -theory (later)
4. Chow groups (only for smooth varieties)
5. Milnor's  $K$ -theory  
(only for regular local rings)
6. The Witt ring of quadratic forms  
(same restriction as for the Milnor  $K$ -theory)

These theories are connected to each other by a collection of natural transformations which looks as follows:



Study of concrete ~~examples~~  
led to a number of  
conjectures about the propert  
ies of these transformations  
They are called the standard  
conjectures and can be  
divided into 3 blocks:

1. The Grothendieck ~~the~~ standard  
conjectures
2. Vanishing and rigidity  
of Beilinson and Soule
3. Finite coefficients conje-  
ctures of Milnor, Quillen,  
Lichtenbaum, Bloch, Kato.

Grothendieck's standard  
conjectures (late 60ies)

These conjectures are about  
the natural transformation  
from



for smooth projective varieties

G1 The "hard" L. conjecture

G2 Homological equivalence =  
= numerical equivalence.

No progress made.

# Vanishing and rigidity.

(mid 80ies)

These conjectures are about  
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from  
to

Quillen - Thomason K-theory

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l-adic cohomology.

for ~~at~~ smooth varieties. The  
smooth

theories are considered with  
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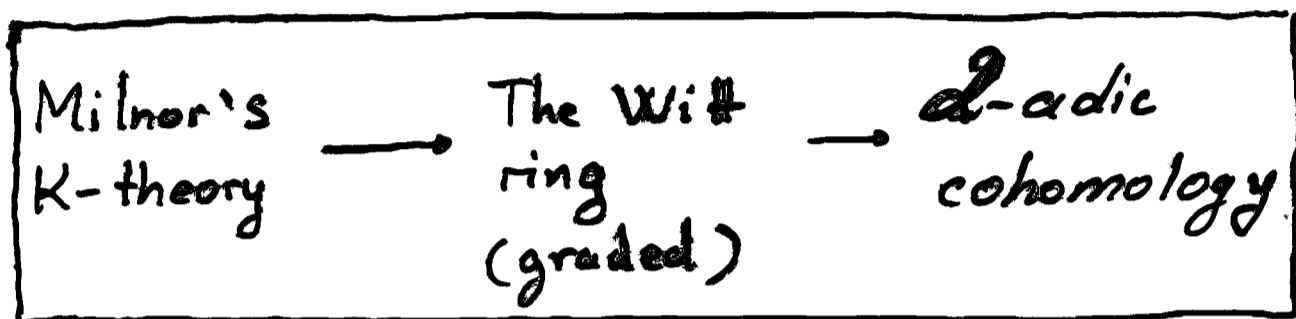
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# Finite coefficients

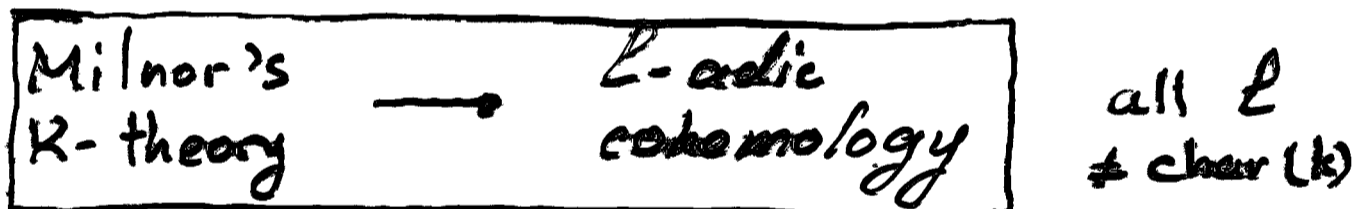
## conjectures

(70ies)

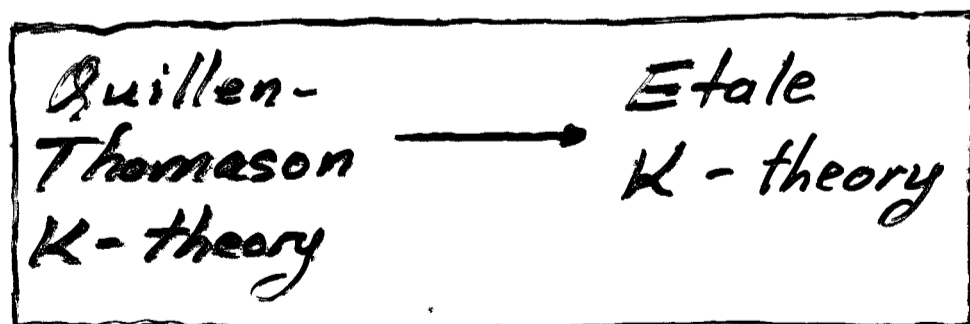
1. The Milnor conjecture - about the natural transformations



2. The Bloch - Kato conjecture - about the natural transformation



3. The Quillen - Lichtenbaum conjecture - about the natural transformation





# Motivic cohomology of Beilinson and Lichtenbaum

In late 80-ies B. and L. suggested that there should exist a new theory  $H_{\mathcal{M}}^{p,q}$  which is bigraded and gave explicit sets of conditions which it should satisfy.

As we know now it gives two theories called Beilinson's and Lichtenbaum's motivic cohomology which are connected by a natural transformation

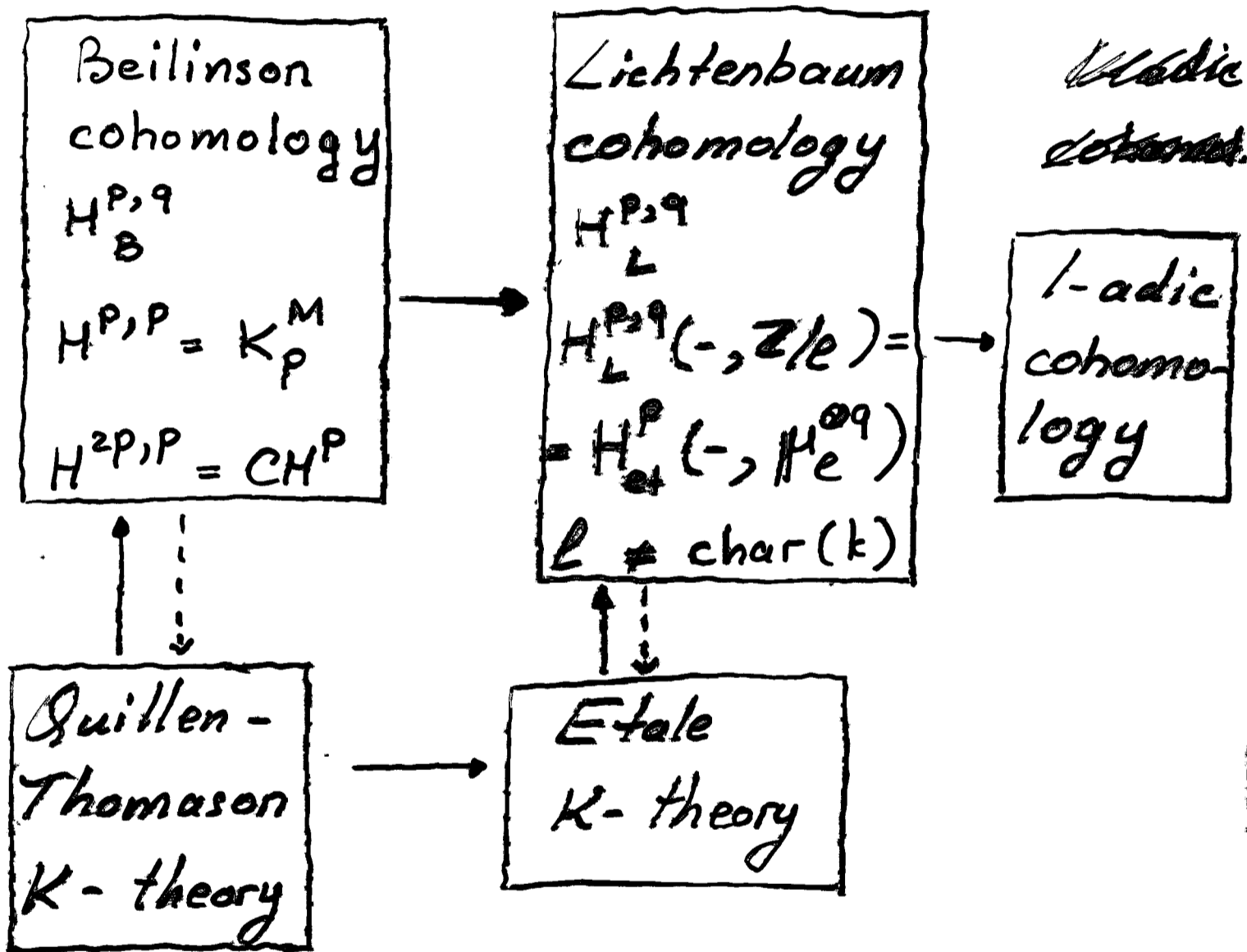
Beilinson  
cohomology  
 $H_B^{p,q}$

→

Lichtenbaum  
cohomology  
 $H_L^{p,q}$



# The relations between motivic cohomology and the standard theories.



~~Reformulations of the standard conjectures.~~

~~Instead of 3 blocks we have 3 conjectures:~~

~~1. Nilpotence (V. Voevodsky)~~

~~Let  $X$  be smooth projective of dimension  $d$ , and  $x \in H^{2i, i}(X, \mathbb{Q})$  an element such that  $(x, y) = 0$  for all  $y$  where  $(-, -)$  is the intersection pairing~~

~~Then  $x \otimes d = 0$  in  $H^{2id, id}(X^d, \mathbb{Q})$~~

~~2. Vanishing (A. Beilinson)~~

~~Let  $C$  be a geometrically connected <sup>projsm.</sup> curve over a field  $K$ . Then  $H^{i, j}(\text{Spec } K, \mathbb{Q})$~~

~~an iso. for  $H^{i, j}(C, \mathbb{Q})$  is  $i \leq 1$ .~~



● Beilinson - Lichtenbaum conjecture:

$H_B^{i,j} \rightarrow H_L^{i,j}$  is an isomorphism for  $i \leq j$ .

- 3.1. Trivial for rational coefficients.
- 3.2. Proved for  $\mathbb{Z}_{(2)}$  - coefficients
- 3.3. Proved (?) for  $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$  - coef.  
 $p = \text{char}(k)$
- 3.4. In the works for  $\mathbb{Z}_{(l)}$   
 $l > 2, l \neq \text{char}(k)$ .

This progress was made  
by ~~the~~ ~~the~~ ~~the~~  
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$\text{Sch}/S$  the category of schemes of finite type over a Noetherian scheme  $S$ .

Ex:  $S = \text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}$

For each  $X \in \text{Sch}/S$  we have a category  $\text{SHot}(X)$  - the stable homotopy category of schemes over  $X$ .

This category has two autoequivalences (commuting) denoted by  $\Sigma_S$  and  $\Sigma_t$  and a distinguished object  $\mathbb{1}_X$ .

For each morphism  $f: X \rightarrow Y$   
 there are four functors

$$f^*: \text{SHot}(Y) \rightarrow \text{SHot}(X)$$

$$f_*: \text{SHot}(X) \rightarrow \text{SHot}(Y)$$

$$f^!: \text{SHot}(Y) \rightarrow \text{SHot}(X)$$

$$f_!: \text{SHot}(X) \rightarrow \text{SHot}(Y)$$

Every object  $E$  of  $\text{SHot}(S)$   
 defines 4 "theories"

$$E^{p,q}(X) = \text{Hom}(\mathbb{1}_S, \sum_t^q \sum_s^{p-q} f_* f^* E)$$

$$E_c^{p,q}(X) = \text{Hom}(\mathbb{1}_S, \sum_t^q \sum_s^{p-q} f_! f^* E)$$

$$E_{p,q}(X) = \text{Hom}(\mathbb{1}_S, \sum_t^q \sum_s^{p-q} f_! f^! E)$$

$$E_{p,q}^{\text{BM}}(X) = \text{Hom}(\mathbb{1}_S, \sum_t^q \sum_s^{p-q} f_* f^! E)$$

where  $f: X \rightarrow S$  the canonical m.



