1126-81-302 Yaping Yang*, 710 N. Pleasant Street, LGRT 16th floor, Amherst, MA 01003, and Gufang Zhao, 710 N. Pleasant Street, LGRT 16th floor, Amherst, MA 01003. From homotopy theory to representation theory.

We use cohomology theories from topology to construct and study quantum groups and their representations. In my talk, I will focus on two examples.

1. We use the Morava K-theory to construct a family of new quantum groups parametrized by a prime number and a positive integer. Those quantum groups are related to Lusztig's 2015 reformulation of his conjecture from 1979 on character formulas for algebraic groups over a field of positive characteristic.

2. We use the equivariant elliptic cohomology to establish a sheafified elliptic quantum group for any symmetric Kac-Moody Lie algebra. The rational sections give the algebra of elliptic R-matrix. If time permits, I will explain the relation of the sheafified elliptic quantum group and Mirkovic's loop Grassmannian over an elliptic curve.

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