19 Epilogue

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19.1 Odd dimensions

we don't know the main theorem for odd-dimensional mflds that Oscar would like to know, don't even have a good conjecture

HANDLEBODIES Let $V_g = \#_g S^n \times D^{n+1}$ and consider $D^{2n} \subset \partial V_g$. Can consider $B \operatorname{Diff}(V_g \operatorname{rel} D^{2n})$.

Theorem (Perlmutter). These have homological stability, i.e. $n \ge 4$, $B \operatorname{Diff}(V_g \operatorname{rel} D^{2n}) \to B \operatorname{Diff}(V_g \operatorname{rel} D^{2n})$ is a H_* -iso in a range of degrees $* \le \frac{g-4}{2}$.

More general version: $S^{p} \times S^{q+1}$ with restrictions on p, q.

sort of analogous methods: quadratic modules -i wall forms. prove algebraic things are highly connected. Higher form of the whitney trick where intersections occur in 1-manifolds.

Theorem (Botvinnik-P). (Diffeos that move the boundary classify bundles of mflds with boundary s.t. boundary bundle not trivial)

There is H_* -iso hocolim_g B Diff $(V_g, D^{2n}) \to Q_0 (BO(2n+1)\langle n \rangle_+)$

surgery: 'push rubbish of the boundary' correct analogue of what we've done so far? $U_q = \#_q S^n \times S^{n+1}$, $B \operatorname{Diff}(U_q, D^{2n+1})$

Theorem (P). stability holds (same range)

We don't know the stable homology. Can perfectly well form $\Omega^{\infty} MT(SO(2n+1)\langle n \rangle)$ Ebert showed that there are classes that are nonzero here which are nonzero on all B Diff (or other way around?)

Theorem (Hebestreit-P). For $n \ge 4, n \ne 7$, have the following monoid under boundary connect sum

$$\Omega B\left(\bigcup_{U} B\operatorname{Diff}(U, \partial U)\right) \stackrel{htpyequiv}{\simeq} \Omega B\operatorname{Cob}_{2n+1}^{\mathcal{L}}$$

where $U \ a \ (n-1)$ -connected, n-parallelizable, (2n+1)-dimensional mfld. where RHS still an infinite loop space (but we don't know its homology!...connected to L-theory). RHS is cobordism category where objects/morphisms come with lagrangians...intersection form, still a symmetric monoidal category.

one of the new issues is that manifolds might not intersect, but they might link.

²⁰ Most math papers don't get read very much.'

²¹'it turns out there are also odd-dimensional manifolds.'

19.2 UNSTABLE HOMOLOGY

²² For W^d oriented, closed, d even. $B \operatorname{Diff}(W^d) \subset C_d(\emptyset, \emptyset) \to \Omega_{\emptyset} B C_d^+ \simeq \Omega^{\infty} MTSO(d)$. Still have this map even when it's not an iso on homology.

 $H^*(\Omega^{\infty}MTSO(d);\mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{Q}[\kappa_c \mid c \text{ polynomial in Euler class & pontrjagin classes}] \to H^*(B \operatorname{Diff}^+(W^d);\mathbb{Q}).$ the image of this is the *tautological ring*²³ of $W \mathcal{R}^*(W)$. Name comes from algebraic geometry. Stabilization results don't help with ring-theoretic questions (e.g. ideals, nilpotence). hom stab tells us about additive structure (one dim at a time), not really about multiplicative structure.

Theorem (Grigoriev (n odd), RW (n even)). $\mathcal{R}^*(W_q^{2n})$ is a finitely generated \mathbb{Q} -algebra.

Now you can ask ring-theoretic questions.

Theorem (Galatius-Grigoriev-R-W). For n odd.

 $\begin{array}{l} g=0 \ R^*(W_0^{2n}=S^{2n})=\mathbb{Q}[\kappa_{ep_1},\ldots,\kappa_{ep_k}] \ has \ Krull \ dimension \ n\\ g=1 \ R^*(W_1^{2n}=S^n\times S^n)/\sqrt{0}=\mathbb{Q} \ has \ Krull \ dimension \ 0\\ g>1 \ R^*(W_g^{2n})/\sqrt{0}=\mathbb{Q}[\kappa_{ep_1},\ldots,\kappa_{ep_k}] \ has \ Krull \ dimension \ n-1 \end{array}$

Tool: theorem about equivariant cohomology and fixed point set (??)

Fact. The cohomology of a lie group injects into the cohomology of its maximal torus.

19.2.1 Surfaces

 $\Sigma_{g(,1)}$ surfaces and $\Gamma_{g(,1)} = \pi_0 \operatorname{Diff}^+(\Sigma_{g,1})$ mapping class groups homological stability: can phrasing of the *relative homology* vanishes $H_d(\Gamma_{g,1},\Gamma_{g-1,1}) = 0$ $d \leq 1$

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Slogan: relative homology measures failure of hom stab. Failure of hom stab holding satisfies homological stability in a different way

Theorem (Galatius-Kupers-RW). There are maps

$$\phi_*: H_{d-2}(\Gamma_{g-3,1}, \Gamma_{g-4,1}) \to H_d(\Gamma_{g,1}, \Gamma_{g-1,1})$$

which is epi for $d \leq \frac{3g-1}{4}$, iso for $d \leq \frac{3g-5}{4}$. rationally, epi for $d \leq \frac{4g-1}{5}$, iso for $d \leq \frac{4g-6}{5}$

in the category of E_2 algebras, what's the minimal way in which you can build this out of cells.

$$\bigsqcup_{g\geq 0} B\Gamma_{g,1}$$

attaching finitely many cells of each dimension doesn't break hom stability. (something about Fred Cohen's thesis)

Theorem (Chan-Galatius-Payne). dim $H^{4g-6}(\Gamma_q; \mathbb{Q}) > (1.3247)^g + const.$

²²'unstable things exist as well'

²³'people call it that..people? me'

How to prove: methods from algebraic geometry.

 $B\Gamma_g \simeq \mathcal{M}_g$ Riemann's moduli space has a compactification (Deligne-Mumford) $\subset \overline{M}_g$. cohomology comes from intersections near the boundary.²⁴

what we don't know homological stability for 4-manifolds. homeomorphisms in high dimensions: same story (due to Sander Kupers). httpy type of the topological cobordism category (what are topological microbundles).

 $\pi_1 = 0$ is only used in hom stab (whitney trick)

non-simply-connected: (count intersections in group ring of π_1 , algebraically harder, look at work of Nina F.–Oscar's student)

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 $^{^{24}\}ensuremath{^{\mathrm{c}}}$ maybe I shouldn't try to describe the proof, given that Søren's right there'