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Fix a field \mathbb{F} and let $X = BG$, G a finite group
 or X a 1-connected space with $H^*(X; \mathbb{F})$ is finite dim
 such as: BG , G connected compact Lie group (of dim d)
 \bullet p -compact groups for $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{F}_p$.

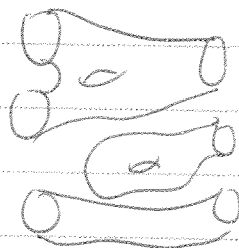
Theorem

For X as above, $H^*(LX; \mathbb{F})$ is an HCFT
 (positive boundary) where $LX = \text{map}(S^1, X)$ (up to degree)

HCFT: Homological Conformal Field Theory

Let \mathcal{C} be the topological category with $\text{Obj } \mathcal{C} = \mathcal{M} =$
 \mathcal{L} closed 1-dim. manifolds?

$\text{Mor}_{\mathcal{C}}(n, m) =$ moduli space of Riemann cobordisms from
 n to m circles such as in $\text{Mor}_{\mathcal{C}}(3, 3)$



i.e. the space of Riemann structures on such cob. \sim

$$\approx \coprod_{\substack{R_1, \dots, R_k \geq 0 \\ n_1 + \dots + n_k = n \\ m_1 + \dots + m_k = m}} BT_{g_1, n_1 + m_1} \times \dots \times BT_{g_k, n_k + m_k}$$

where $T_{g, n} = \pi_0 \text{Diff}(S_{g, n}, \text{rel } \partial)$

\mathcal{C} is a symmetric monoidal category under disjoint union

Def: A CFT is a monoidal functor

$$\Phi: \mathcal{C} \longrightarrow \text{Hilb}$$

$$\text{st. } \Phi(n+m) \cong \Phi(n) \otimes \Phi(m)$$

Let $C_*\mathcal{C}$ be the linear category with same objects as \mathcal{C} but $\text{Mor}_{C_*\mathcal{C}}(n,m) = C_*(\text{Mor}_{\mathcal{C}}(n,m); \mathbb{F})$

Def. A TCFT is a monoidal functor $\Phi: C_*\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Chain complexes}/\mathbb{F}$ st. $\Phi(n+m) \cong \Phi(n) \otimes \Phi(m)$

Let $H_*\mathcal{C}$ be the linear category with same objects as \mathcal{C} but $\text{Mor}_{H_*\mathcal{C}}(n,m) = H_*(\text{Mor}_{\mathcal{C}}(n,m); \mathbb{F})$

Def. An HCFT is a monoidal functor $\Phi: H_*\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Gr. Vect}/\mathbb{F}$ st. $\Phi(n+m) \cong \Phi(n) \otimes \Phi(m)$. (Obs: $\Phi(0) = \mathbb{F}$)

Let $\mathcal{C}^+ \subset \mathcal{C}$ be the subcategory with same objects and morphisms are such that every component of the cobordisms have non-empty incoming & outgoing boundary circle (ie $n_i, m_i > 0 \forall i$).

Replicated Theorem

The map $n \mapsto H_*(LX; \mathbb{F})^{\otimes n}$ can be extended to a monoidal functor from $H_*\mathcal{C}^+$ to graded \mathbb{F} -vector spaces.

In particular we have maps $\dots, \forall g, n, m$

$$H_*(\Gamma_{g, n+m}; \mathbb{F}) \otimes H_*(LX; \mathbb{F})^{\otimes n} \longrightarrow H_*(LX; \mathbb{F})^{\otimes n+m}$$

degree \dots

Classical String Topology

Chas-Sullivan: $H_{*+d}(LM)$ is a BV-algebra, ie there is a commutative product of degree zero and a

degree one operator

Observation: The BV-structure is exactly the part of an HCFT coming from $\text{g} \circ \text{g}$ giving the product and $\text{O} \circ \text{O}$ of degree 1 giving Δ .

Theorem (Godin)

The Glas-Sullivan BV-structure extends to an HCFT on $H_*(L\mathbb{R})$.

Back to BG = X

Consider the diagrams

$$\textcircled{1} (LX)^n \xleftarrow{\text{in}} \text{Map}(S_{g,n+m}, X) \xrightarrow{\text{out}} (LX)^m$$

These maps are $\text{Diff}(S_{g,n+m}; \text{rel } \partial)$ -equivariant where Diff acts trivially on LX . Take thus Borel constructions

$$\textcircled{2} \text{BDiff} \times (LX)^n \xleftarrow{\pi} E \text{Diff} \times_{\text{Diff}} \text{Map}(S_{g,n+m}, X) \rightarrow \text{BDiff} \times (LX)^m$$

$\downarrow \text{proj}$
 $(LX)^m$

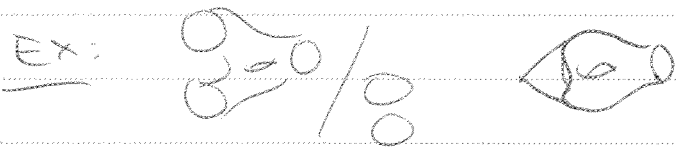
We want now transfer maps, in homology.
If so, we get the HCFT by taking the composition.
We need to understand the fiber of π .

Proposition

$\text{Map}(S, X) \xrightarrow{\text{in}} (LX)^n$ is a fibration with fiber $(\Omega X)^{-X(S)}$ if X is 1-connected

proof: It is a fibration because it is induced by a cofibration. Since LX is connected (X is 1-connected), we look at the fiber over the trivial loops $\mathbb{S}^1 \hookrightarrow X$. It is

$$\text{Map}_*(S/\mathbb{S}^1, X), \text{ but } S_{\text{gram}}/\mathbb{S}^1 \cong \underbrace{VS^1}_{2g+m+n-1} - X(S)$$



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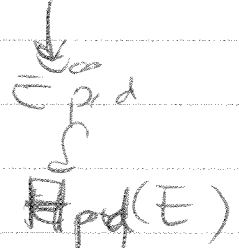
○ Corollary: The fiber of π_B is $(\Omega X)^{-X(S)}$. □

● Since we assume $H_*(\Omega X; \mathbb{F})$ is finite, the Dwyer transfer exists.

Note: If G is finite, since $S_{\text{gram}} = VS^1$, we have $\text{map}(VS^1, BG)$ easy to describe ...

Integration along fibers

● If $H_d(F; \mathbb{F}) \cong \mathbb{F}$ in top dim., π_B acts trivially on $H_d(F; \mathbb{F})$. The SS for $F \rightarrow E \rightarrow B$ gives $H_p(B) \xrightarrow{\cong} E_{\text{rel } d}^2 = H_p(B; H_d(F; \mathbb{F}))$



In this case we get $d = \underbrace{X(S)}_{\text{depends on } g, m, n} \cdot \dim \Omega X$

● The orientability condition holds as well since we have a pull-back

