

# **Topological Quantum Field Theories in Homotopy Theory II**

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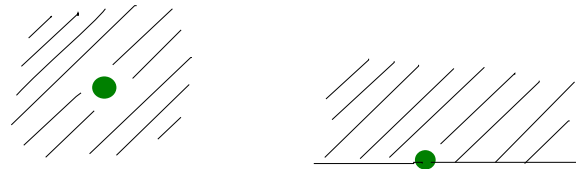
## Leitmotif = Understanding Manifolds

1. Classical Cobordism Theory (Thom, ...)
2. Topological Field Theory (Witten, Atiyah, Segal, ...)
3. Cobordism Hypothesis (Baez-Dolan, Lurie, ...)
4. Classifying spaces of cobordism categories
  - classifying space of cobordism categories
  - . (Galatius–Madsen–Tillmann–Weiss)
  - the cobordism hypothesis for invertible TQFTs
  - filtration of the classical theory
5. Extracting information on  $\text{Diff}(M)$ 
  - Mumford conjecture (Madsen–Weiss, ...)
  - higher dimensional analogues
  - . (Galatius–Randal-Williams, ...)

## Manifolds

$W$  is a manifold of dimension  $d$  if locally it is diffeomorphic to

$$\mathbb{R}^d \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^d.$$



$W$  is closed if it is compact and has no boundary.

### Fundamental problem:

- classify compact smooth manifolds  $W$  of dim  $d$
- understand their groups of diffeomorphisms  $\text{Diff}(W)$
- understand the topology of  $\mathcal{M}^{\text{top}}(W) = B\text{Diff}(W)$
- understand characteristic classes  $H^*(\mathcal{M}^{\text{top}}(W))$

## Topological moduli space

$W$  closed of dimension  $d$

$$\mathcal{M}^{top}(W) := \text{Emb}(W, \mathbb{R}^\infty) / \text{Diff}(W)$$

By Whitney,  $\text{Emb}(W, \mathbb{R}^\infty) \simeq *$  and hence

$$\mathcal{M}^{top}(W) \simeq B\text{Diff}(W)$$

- when  $W$  is oriented, the diffeomorphisms preserve the orientation.
- when  $\partial W \neq \emptyset$ , the diffeomorphisms fix a collar of the boundary.

**Example 0:**  $d = 0$ ,  $W = n$  pts

$$\mathcal{M}^{top}(W) = \text{Emb}(n \text{ pts}, \mathbb{R}^\infty) / \Sigma_n \simeq B\Sigma_n$$

This is the **configuration space** of  $n$  unordered points in  $\mathbb{R}^\infty$ .

**Example 1:**  $d = 1$ ,  $W = S^1$

Note that  $\text{Diff}^+(S^1) \simeq S^1$  so that

$$\mathcal{M}^{top}(S^1) \simeq BS^1 \simeq \mathbb{C}P^\infty$$

**Example 2:**  $d = 2$

Compare with the moduli spaces of Riemann surfaces:

$$\mathcal{M}_g = \mathcal{T}_g / \Gamma_g = \mathbb{R}^{6g-6} / \Gamma_g$$

Note, for  $g > 1$ ,

$$\mathrm{Diff}^+(F_g) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \pi_0(\mathrm{Diff}^+(F_g)) =: \Gamma_g$$

Hence, the forgetful map

$$\mathcal{M}^{top}(F_g) \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}_g$$

is a rational equivalence and

$$H^*(\mathcal{M}^{top}(F_g); \mathbb{Q}) = H^*(\mathcal{M}_g; \mathbb{Q})$$

## Characteristic classes

There is a universal  $W$ -bundle on  $\mathcal{M}^{top}(W)$ , and any family  $E$  of manifolds diffeomorphic to  $W$  and parametrized by a space  $X$  is given by a map

$$\phi_E : X \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^{top}(W)$$

Hence, the **characteristic classes** for  $W$  bundles are given by

$$H^*(\mathcal{M}^{top}(W)) = H^*(B\text{Diff}(W))$$

## Construction of characteristic classes

Given a smooth orientable  $W$ -bundle

$$W^d \rightarrow E \xrightarrow{\pi} X$$

consider the vertical tangent bundle

$$\mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow T^v E := \coprod_{x \in X} T E_x \rightarrow E$$

It is classified by a map

$$\phi_{T^v E} : E \rightarrow BSO(d)$$

For every  $c \in H^n(BSO(d))$  consider

$$\kappa_c(E) := \pi_!(\phi_E(c)) \in H^{n-d}(X)$$

Here  $\pi_!$  is the Gysin map. So

$$\kappa_c \in H^{n-d}(\mathcal{M}(W)) = H^{n-d}(B\text{Diff}(W))$$



**Example 2:**  $d = 2$

$$H^*(BSO(2)) = H^*(\mathbb{C}P^\infty) = \mathbb{Z}[e]$$

For  $c = e^{i+1} \in H^{2i+2}(CP^\infty)$ ,  $\kappa_c$  corresponds to the  $i$ th Morita-Mumford-Miller class

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**Homology stability** [Harer, Ivanov, Boldsen, RW]

For  $* < 2g/3$ ,  $H_*(B\Gamma_{g,n})$  is independent of  $g$  and  $n$ .

**Mumford conjecture:** For  $* \leq (2g - 2)/3$

$$H^*(\mathcal{M}_g; \mathbb{Q}) \simeq \mathbb{Q}[\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \dots]$$

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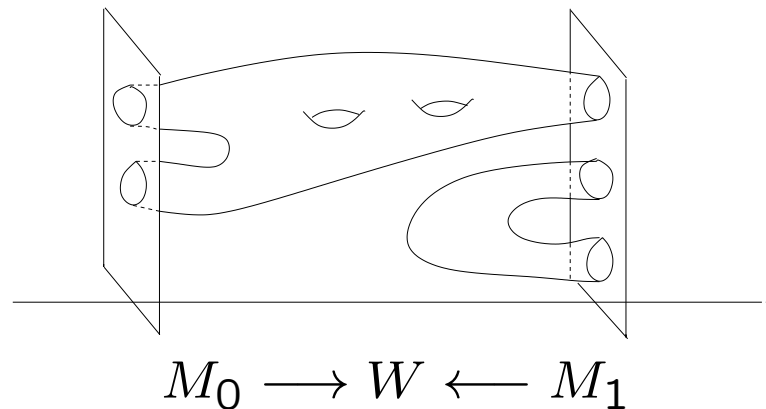
## 4. Classifying space of cobordism categories

The **enriched cobordism category**  $Cob_d$ :

**Objects:**  $\mathbb{R} \times \coprod_{M^{d-1}} \mathcal{M}(M) \simeq \coprod_{M^{d-1}} B\text{Diff}(M)$

**Morphisms:**

$\text{mor}_{Cob_d}(M_0, M_1) \simeq \coprod_{W^d} \mathcal{M}(W) \simeq \coprod_{W^d} B\text{Diff}(W; \partial)$



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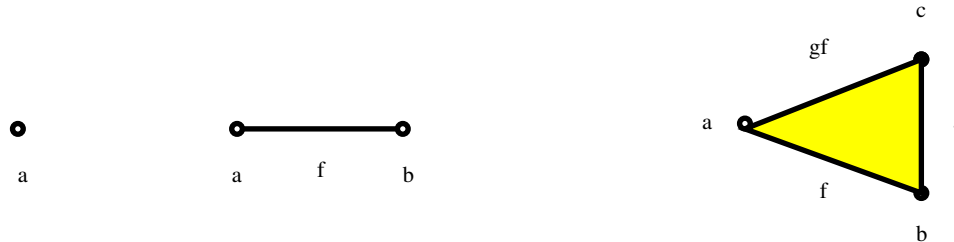
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## Classifying space functor

$B : \text{Topological Categories} \longrightarrow \text{Spaces}, \quad \mathcal{C} \mapsto B\mathcal{C}$



$$B\mathcal{C} := \left( \coprod_{k \geq 0} \Delta^k \times \{(f_1, \dots, f_k) | \text{composable morphisms}\} \right) / \sim$$

For every object  $a$  in  $\mathcal{C}$ , the adjoint of

$$\Delta^1 \times \text{mor}_{\mathcal{C}}(a, a) \longrightarrow B\mathcal{C}$$

gives rise to a characteristic map

$$\alpha : \text{mor}_{\mathcal{C}}(a, a) \longrightarrow \text{maps}([0, 1], \partial; B\mathcal{C}, a) = \Omega B\mathcal{C}$$

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$$\Omega B(\mathcal{Cob}_0^+) = \Omega^\infty S^\infty \times \Omega^\infty S^\infty$$

$$\Omega B(\mathcal{Cob}_1^+) = \Omega^{\infty+1} S^\infty$$



A similar theorem holds for any tangential structure  $\theta$ !

## Excursion: tangential structures

$$\mathrm{Vect}_d(W) = [W, BO(d)] = [W, Gr(d, \infty)]$$

$$E \leftrightarrow \phi_E$$

**Definition:** Let  $\theta : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow BO(d)$  be a fiber bundle. A  $\theta$ -structure on  $W^d$  is a lift of  $\phi_{TW} : W \rightarrow BO(d)$  to  $\mathcal{X}$

Oriented  $+$ :  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow BSO(d) \rightarrow BO(d)$

Framed  $fr$ :  $O(d) \rightarrow EO(d) \rightarrow BO(d)$

Background  $X$ :  $X \rightarrow BO(d) \times X \rightarrow BO(d)$

Connected  $< k >$ :  $BO(d) < k > \longrightarrow BO(d)$

$$\Omega^\infty \mathbf{MT}\theta = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Omega^{d+n}(\theta^*(U_{d,n}^\perp)^c)$$

**Example:**  $\theta : BO(d) \times X \rightarrow BO(d)$

$$\Omega B(\mathcal{Cob}_d^X) \simeq \Omega^\infty \mathbf{MTSO}(d) \wedge X_+ = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Omega^{d+n}((U_{d,n}^\perp)^c \wedge X_+)$$

A  $\theta$ -structure on  $W$  is a map  $f : W \rightarrow X$ .

For  $d = 2$ , this gives a topological version of  
**Gromov-Witten theory**

Note: the cobordism category of manifolds in a background space  $X$  gives rise to a generalised cohomology!

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**Proof:** For fixed  $*$   $> 0$  and large  $n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi_*(\Omega_0^\infty \text{MTSO}(d)) \otimes \mathbb{Q} &= \pi_*(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{maps}_*(S^{d+n}, (U_{d,n}^\perp)^c)) \otimes \mathbb{Q} \\
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 &= \pi_{*+d+n}((U_{d,n}^\perp)^c) \otimes \mathbb{Q} \\
 &= H_{*+d+n}((U_{d,n}^\perp)^c) \otimes \mathbb{Q} \quad \text{by Serre} \\
 &= H_{*+d}(Gr^+(d, n)) \otimes \mathbb{Q} \quad \text{by Thom} \\
 &= H_{*+d}(BSO(d)) \otimes \mathbb{Q}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now apply a theorem by Milnor-Moore on structure of commutative Hopf algebras and take duals.

**Lemma:**  $H^*(\Omega_0^\infty \mathbf{MTSO}(d), \mathbb{Q}) \simeq \Lambda^*(H^{*>0}(BSO(d); \mathbb{Q})[-d])$

For any closed  $d$ -dimensional manifold  $W$

$$\alpha : \mathcal{M}^{top}(W) \subset mor_{\mathcal{C}ob_d}(\emptyset, \emptyset) \rightarrow \Omega B\mathcal{C}ob_d \simeq \Omega^\infty \mathbf{MTSO}(d)$$

For every  $c \in H^{*+d}(BSO(d))$

$$\alpha^*(c) = \kappa_c \in H^*(\mathcal{M}^{top}(W); \mathbb{Q})$$

**Example:** For  $d = 2$ ,

$$H^*(BSO(2)) = H^*(\mathbb{C}P^\infty) = \mathbb{Z}[e], \quad \deg(e) = 2$$

So

$$H^*(\Omega_0^\infty \mathbf{MTSO}(2), \mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{Q}[\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \dots], \quad \deg(\kappa_i) = 2i$$

## Fibration sequence

$$\Omega^\infty \mathbf{MTSO}(d) \xrightarrow{\omega} \Omega^\infty \Sigma^\infty (BSO(d)_+) \longrightarrow \Omega^\infty \mathbf{MTSO}(d-1).$$

$\omega$  is induced by

$$U_{d,n}^\perp \rightarrow U_{d,n} \times_{Gr^+(d,n)} U_{d,n}^\perp \simeq Gr^+(d,n) \times \mathbb{R}^{d+n}$$

**Genauer** proves that this corresponds to natural maps of cobordism categories:

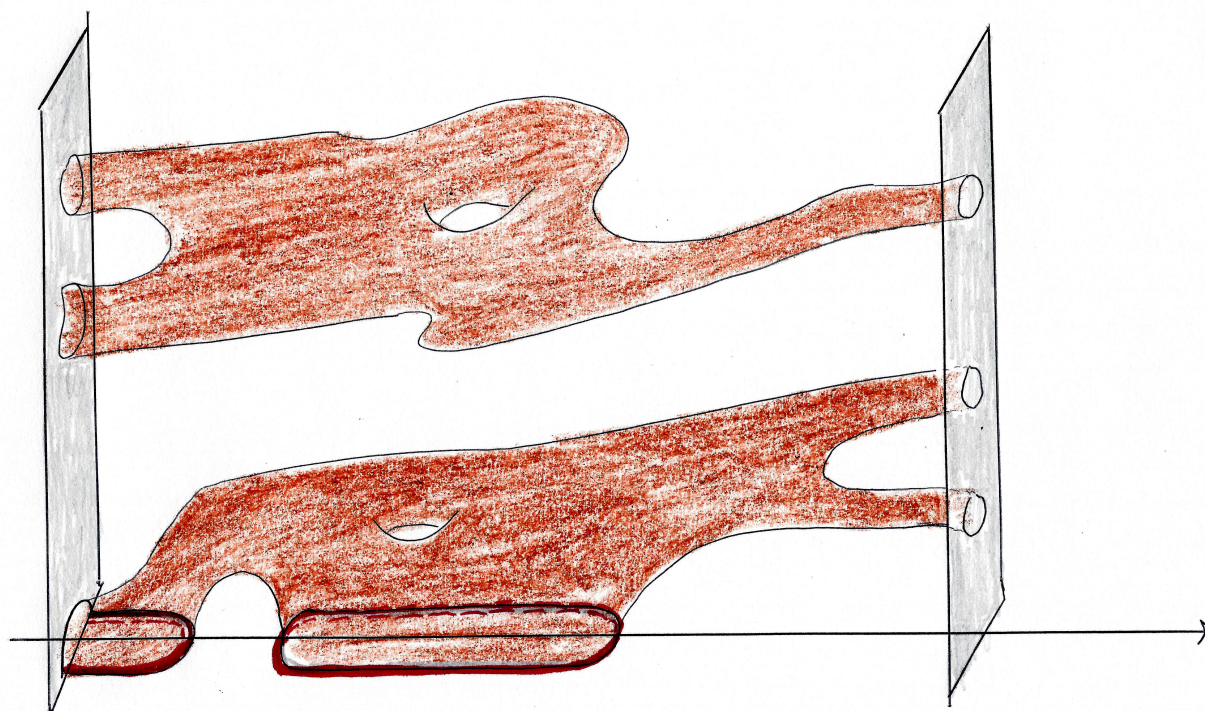
$Cob_d$ :  $d$ -dim cobordisms in  $[a_0, a_1] \times \mathbb{R}^{d+n-1} \times (0, \infty)$

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$Cob_{d-1}$ :  $d-1$ -dim cobordisms in  $[a_0, a_1] \times \mathbb{R}^{d-1+n} \times \{0\}$





## Application

Suppose  $W^d$  is an oriented manifold with boundary.  
Then restriction defines a map

$$r : B\text{Diff}(W) \rightarrow B\text{Diff}(\partial W)$$

Let

$$c = p_1^{k_1} \dots p_r^{k_r} e^s \in H^*(BSO(d); \mathbb{Z}) \quad r = d/2 \text{ or } (d+1)/2$$

### Corollary [Giansiracusa-T.]

$r^*(\kappa_c) = 0$  when  $d$  even, or when  $d$  odd and  $s$  even.

In particular,  $\kappa_{2i+1}$  goes to zero when restricted to the handlebody subgroup  $\mathcal{H}_g \subset \Gamma_g$ .

## Sketch of proof

Starting with **Madsen-Weiss**, the proof has been continuously simplified and the theorem generalised [**Galatius-Madsen-T.-Weiss, Galatius, Galatius-Randal-Williams**].

$\Phi_{d,n}$ : space of all embedded  $d$ -manifolds without boundary which are closed as a subset in  $\mathbb{R}^{d+n}$ ; **base point**  $\emptyset$ ; topologized so that manifolds can **disappear** at infinity.

$\Phi_{d,n}^k$ : subspace of manifolds embedded in  $\mathbb{R}^k \times (0, 1)^{n+d-k}$ .

$$\Phi_{d,n} = \Phi_{d,n}^{d+n} \supset \cdots \supset \Phi_{d,n}^k \supset \cdots \supset \Phi_{d,n}^0 \simeq \coprod_{W, \partial=\emptyset} B\text{Diff}(W)$$

$\text{Cob}_{d,n}^k$ :  $k$ -fold cobordisms category of  $d$ -manifolds embedded in  $\mathbb{R}^{d+n}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{Cob}_{d,n}^1 = \text{Cob}_d \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{Cob}_{d,n}^d = \text{exCob}_d.$$

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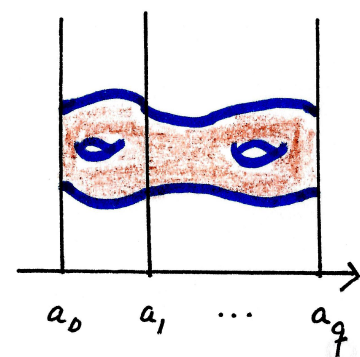
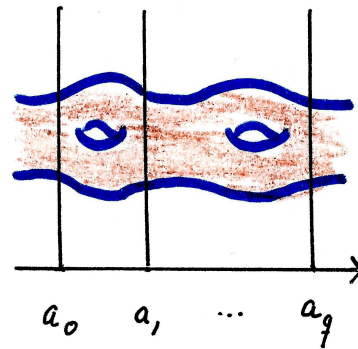
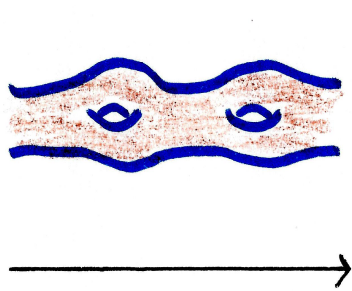
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adjoint of  $\mathbb{R} \times \Phi_{d,n}^k \rightarrow \Phi_{d,n}^{k+1}$ ,  $(t, W) \mapsto W + (0, \dots, t, \dots, 0)$

*Step 3:*  $B(\text{Cob}_{d,n}^k) \simeq \Phi_{d,n}^k$

$$\Phi_{d,n}^1 \simeq B(\text{Cob}_{d,n}^1)$$



$$\Phi_{d,n}^1 \xleftarrow{\simeq} N_q(\mathcal{P}) \xrightarrow{\simeq} N_q(\text{Cob}_{d,n})$$

The fiber of the left arrow at  $W$  is the poset of regular values of the projection onto  $\mathbb{R}$ ; its nerve is contractible.

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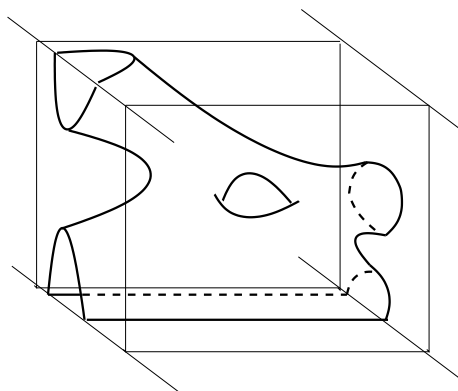
$$\implies B(\mathcal{Cob}_{d,n}^k) \simeq \Phi_{d,n}^k \simeq \dots \simeq \Omega^{d+n-k} \Phi_{d,n}^{d+n} \simeq \Omega^{d+n-k} (U_{d,n}^\perp)^c$$

for  $k = 1$  and  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $B(\mathcal{Cob}_d) \simeq \Omega^{\infty-1} \mathbf{MTSO}(d)$

for  $k = d + n$  and  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $B(\mathcal{exCob}_d) \simeq \Omega^{\infty-d} \mathbf{MTSO}(d)$

## An even finer filtration

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega^\infty \mathbf{MSO} &\simeq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \Omega^n(U_{n,d})^c \\
 &\simeq \lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Omega^n(U_{d,n}^\perp)^c \\
 &\simeq \lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} B(\mathcal{Cob}_{d,n}^d)
 \end{aligned}$$



A 2-morphism in  $\mathcal{Cob}_{2,1}^2$ .

## 5. Unstable information

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**Theorem** [Barrett-Priddy, Quillen, Segal]

For  $d = 0$ :  $B\Sigma_n \xrightarrow{\alpha} \Omega^\infty \mathbf{MTO}(0) \simeq \Omega^\infty S^\infty$  is a homology isomorphism in degrees  $*$   $\leq n/2$ .



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Previous result:

**Theorem [T.]**  $\Omega B(\mathcal{Cob}_2^\partial) \simeq \mathbb{Z} \times B\Gamma_\infty^+$

By homology stability, for  $* \leq (2g - 2)/3$

$$H_*(B\Gamma_\infty^+) = H_*(B\Gamma_\infty) = H_*(B\Gamma_g)$$

Together these theorems imply

**Theorem [Madsen-Weiss]**

For  $d = 2$ :  $B\text{Diff}(F_g) \xrightarrow{\alpha} \Omega_0^\infty \text{MTSO}(2)$  is a homology isomorphism in degrees  $* \leq (2g - 2)/3$ .

$\Rightarrow$  **Mumford's Conjecture:**

$$H^*(\mathcal{M}_g; \mathbb{Q}) \simeq H^*(B\text{Diff}(F_g), \mathbb{Q}) \sim \mathbb{Q}[\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \dots]$$

Let  $W_g = \sharp_g S^d \times S^d$  and  $d > 2$ . As  $W_g$  is  $(d - 1)$ -connected, it has a  $\theta$  structure for

$$\theta : BO(2d) \langle d \rangle \longrightarrow BO(d)$$

**Theorem [Galatius, Randal-Williams]**

For  $*$   $< (g - 4)/2$ ,

$$H_*(B\text{Diff}(W_g; D^{2d})) \simeq H_*(B\text{Diff}(W_{g+1}; D^{2d}))$$

**Theorem [Galatius, Randal-Williams]**

$$\alpha : \text{hocolim}_{g \rightarrow \infty} B\text{Diff}(W_g; D^{2d}) \rightarrow \Omega_0^\infty \mathbf{MT}\theta(d)$$

is a homology equivalence

Similar results hold for more general simply connected manifolds of **even dimension**.

There are problems in **odd dimensions!**

**Note**

For  $d = 1$ :  $B\text{Diff}(S^1) \simeq \mathbb{C}P^\infty \xrightarrow{\alpha} \Omega_0^\infty \text{MTSO}(1) \simeq \Omega^{\infty+1} S^\infty$  is trivial in rational homology for any  $W^3$ .

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### Theorem [Ebert]

For  $d = 3$ :  $B\text{Diff}(W^3) \xrightarrow{\alpha} \Omega^\infty \text{MTSO}(3)$  is trivial in rational homology.

More generally, there are rational cohomology classes in the cohomology of  $\Omega^\infty \text{MTSO}(2n+1)$  that are not detected by any  $2n+1$ -dimensional manifold.

$$Q_g = \#_g S^d \times S^{d+1}$$

### Theorem **Perlmutter**

For  $* \leq (g - 3)/2$ ,

$$H_*(B\text{Diff}(Q_g; D^{2d+1})) \simeq H_*(B\text{Diff}(Q_{g+1}; D^{2d-1}))$$

### **Hebestreit-Perlmutter**

construct a variant of the cobordism category that has a good chance to play the role of  $\mathcal{Cob}_d$  in the odd dimensional case.

Also true for other product of spheres.

## General scheme of proof

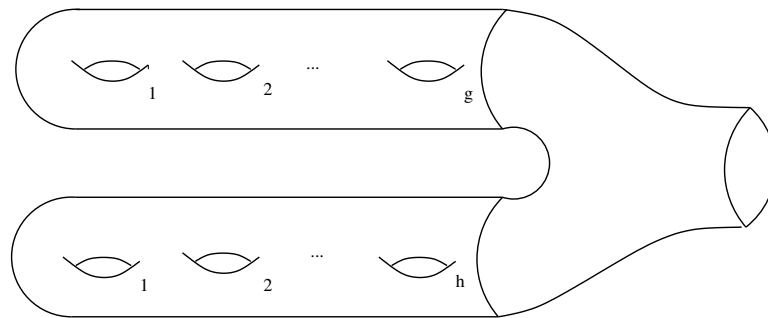
- 1. Homology stability** with respect to connected sum with a suitable basic manifolds, e.g.  $S^d \times S^d$
- 2. Group completion argument** to identify the homology of the limit with the classifying space of a subcategory of an appropriate cobordism category, e.g.  $\lim_{g \rightarrow \infty} H_* B\text{Diff}(F_g, D^2) \simeq H_* \Omega B\text{Cob}_2^\partial$
- 3. Parametrised surgery** to show that the subcategory has a classifying space that is homotopic to the whole category, e.g.  $B\text{Cob}_d^\partial \simeq B\text{Cob}_d$
- 4. Identify** the homotopy type of the classifying space of the whole category, e.g.  $\Omega B\text{Cob}_d \simeq \Omega^\infty \text{MTSO}(d)$



## Multiplicative structure

$$\Sigma_n \times \Sigma_m \longrightarrow \Sigma_{n+m}$$

$$\mathrm{Diff}(F_{g,1}) \times \mathrm{Diff}(F_{h,1}) \longrightarrow \mathrm{Diff}(F_{g+h,1})$$



$$\mathrm{Aut}F_n \times \mathrm{Aut}F_m \longrightarrow \mathrm{Aut}F_{n+m}$$

.

$$\mathrm{Aut}F_n \simeq \mathrm{HtEq}(V_n S^1)$$

Products

$$G_n \times G_m \longrightarrow G_{n+m}$$

induce a monoid structure on

$$M := \bigsqcup_{n \geq 0} BG_n$$

If products are commutative upto conjugation by an element in  $G_{n+m}$ ,

then the induced product on  $H_*(M)$  is commutative

## Group completion

**Algebraic:**  $M \longrightarrow \mathcal{G}(M) =$  Grothendieck group of  $M$

Example:  $\mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \mathcal{G}(\mathbb{N}) = \mathbb{Z}$

**Homotopy theoretic:**

$M \longrightarrow \Omega BM = \text{map}_*(S^1, BM) =$  loop space of  $BM$

- $M = G$  a group  $\implies \Omega BG \simeq G$
- $M$  discrete  $\implies \Omega BM \simeq \mathcal{G}(M)$

### Group Completion Theorem:

Let  $M = \bigsqcup_{n \geq 0} M_n$  be a topological monoid such that the multiplication on  $H_*(M)$  is commutative. Then

$$H_*(\Omega BM) = \mathbb{Z} \times \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H_*(M_n) = \mathbb{Z} \times H_*(M_\infty)$$

$W_n$	$H_*$ -stab.	$\Omega B(\sqcup_n \mathcal{M}(W_n))$	
$n$ pts	$n/2$	$\Omega^\infty S^\infty$	Barratt-Eccles-Priddy
$S_{g,1}$	$2g/3$	$\Omega^\infty \mathbf{MTSO}(2)$	Madsen-Weiss
$N_{g,1}$	$g/3$	$\Omega^\infty \mathbf{MTO}(2)$	Madsen-Weiss & Wahl
$V_n S^1$	$n/2$	$\Omega^\infty S^\infty$	Galatius
$\#_g(S^d \times S^d)_1$	$(g-4)/2$	$\Omega^\infty \mathbf{MTSO}(2d)\langle d \rangle$	Galatius-Randal-Williams
$(S^d \times D^{d+1})_1$	$(g-4)/2$	$Q(BO(2d+1)\langle d \rangle)$	Botvinnik-Perlmutter
discrete	$(g-4)/2$	$\Omega^\infty X^{-\gamma}$	Nariman
$(S^d \times S^{d+1})_1$	$(g-3)/2$	candidate	Perlmutter