

# Exercises

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## I. Whitehead's certain exact sequence

$X =$  space s.t.  $\pi_i(X) = \pi_i(\mathbb{S}^0) = 0 \quad i \geq 3$

Let  $SP(X) = \infty$  sym product: a space s.t.  $\pi_i(SP(X)) = \tilde{H}_i(X)$  &  
 $\exists$  map

$$X \rightarrow SP(X)$$

s.t.

$$\pi_i(X) \rightarrow \tilde{H}_i(X)$$

$\Rightarrow$  Hurewicz.

Let  $F =$  fiber  $(X \rightarrow SP(X))$ , then LES <sup>in  $\pi_*$</sup>  has form

$$0 \rightarrow H_4(X) \rightarrow \pi_3(F) \rightarrow \pi_3(X) \rightarrow H_3(X) \rightarrow 0$$

Def for  $A$  an abelian grp, let  $\Gamma(A)$  be the grp such that  
 $\text{Hom}^{\text{quadratic}}(A, B) = \text{Hom}_{\text{Ab}}(\Gamma(A), B)$ .

Here, a map  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is quadratic if

$$\bullet f(-a) = f(a)$$

$$\bullet f(a) + f(b) + f(c) - f(a+b+c) = f(a+b) + f(b+c) + f(c+a)$$

1) Show  $\pi_3(F) = \Gamma(\pi_2(X))$

Rmk Such an  $f$  has  $f(na) = n^2 f(a)$  and

$f(a+b) - f(a) - f(b)$  is a sym. bilinear form.

2) Let  $k(\pi_3 X, 3) \rightarrow X$

$$\downarrow$$
$$k(\pi_2 X, 2)$$

be the Postnikov tower of  $X$

Let  $k_2: K(\pi_2(x), 2) \rightarrow K(\pi_3(x), 4)$

be the continuation of the fiber sequence.

Using universal coefficients +  $K(A, n)$  representing  $H^n(-; A)$ , show that, in an appropriate sense,

$$k_2 = q: \Pi(\pi_2(x)) \rightarrow \pi_3(x)$$

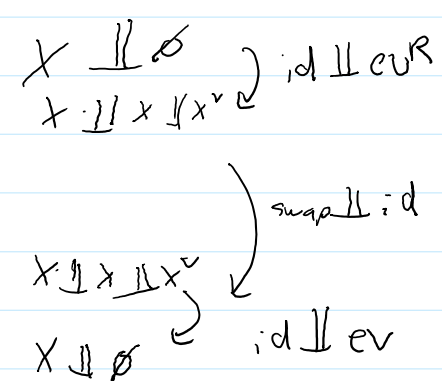
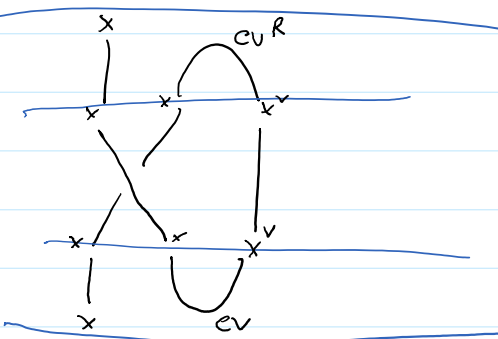
## II. Serre Automorphism

Let  $S$  be the natural transformation

$$S: \text{Id}_{\text{Bord}_n^{\text{fr}}} \rightarrow \text{Id}_{\text{Bord}_n^{\text{fr}}}, n \geq 2$$

Notation:

- $X \in (\text{Bord}_n^{\text{fr}})_0$   
e.g.  $X = \text{pt}_+$
- $\text{ev}^R =$  right adjoint to  $\text{ev}$   
&  $\text{ev}^L$  similar
- $X^v =$  dual of  $X$  (opposite orientation)



Then  $S$  induces a natural transformation

$$S: \text{Id}_{\text{Fun}(\text{Bord}_n^{\text{fr}}, \mathcal{C})} \rightarrow \text{Id}_{\text{Fun}(\text{Bord}_n^{\text{fr}}, \mathcal{C})}$$

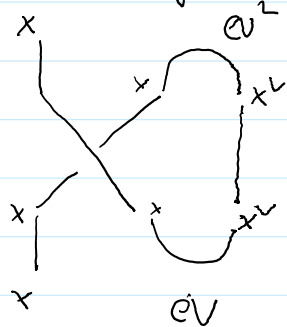
for each symmetric monoidal  $(\infty, n)$  category  $\mathcal{C}$

Suppose WLOG that  $\mathcal{C}$  is fully dualizable. Then the cobordism hypothesis induces a nat. trans

$$S: \text{Id}_{\text{core}(\mathcal{C})} \rightarrow \text{Id}_{\text{core}(\mathcal{C})}$$

3) Show that  $S_x: X \rightarrow X$  is an isomorphism for each object  $X \in \text{Bord}_n^{\text{fr}}$  with inverse  $X^v$

for each object  $x \in \text{Bord}_n^{\text{fr}}$  with inverse



4) Let  $n \geq 3$ .

Show that  $S^2: \text{Id}_{\text{core}(e)} \rightarrow \text{Id}_{\text{core}(e)}$

is equivalent to

$\text{Id}: \text{Id}_{\text{core}(e)} \rightarrow \text{Id}_{\text{core}(e)}$

I.E. That  $S$  is cobordant to  $S^1$  for  $n \geq 3$ .