

Floer homology with DG coefficients.
Applications to cotangent bundles

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Motivation #1

A fruitful line of investigation to detect symplectic phenomena is to compare classical invariants (differential topology) to their quantum counterparts (holomorphic curves)

Quantum invariant $\xrightarrow{\sim}$ Floer homology
(reference object)
comparison //?
Classical invariant
(algebraic topology)

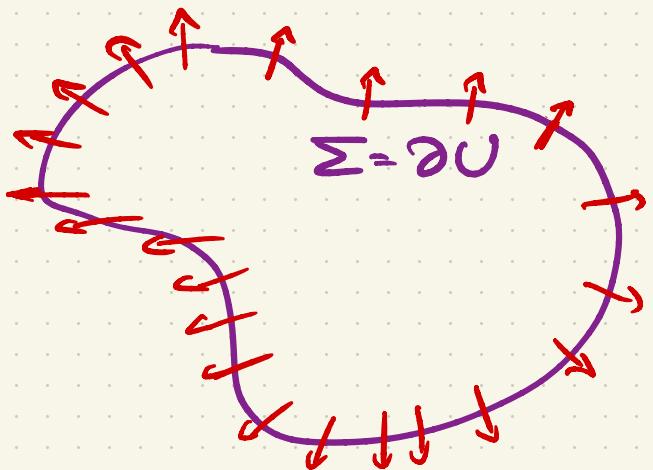
Examples:

- Quantum homology (Arnold conjecture, Quasi-morphisms)
- Quantum Steenrod squares (pseudo-notations)
- Symplectic homology (Weinstein conjecture)
- etc.

Quantum invariant $\xrightarrow{\sim}$ Floer homology
(reference object)
comparison //?
Classical invariant
(algebraic topology)

(filtered
 \leadsto spectral
invariants)

Example : Weinstein conjecture in \mathbb{R}^{2n} using symplectic homology



Their (Viktor) : $\Sigma^{2n-1} \subset \mathbb{R}^{2n}$ closed

hypersurface of contact type carries
at least one closed characteristic

= closed integral curve of
the line distribution $\ker \omega|_{\Sigma}$

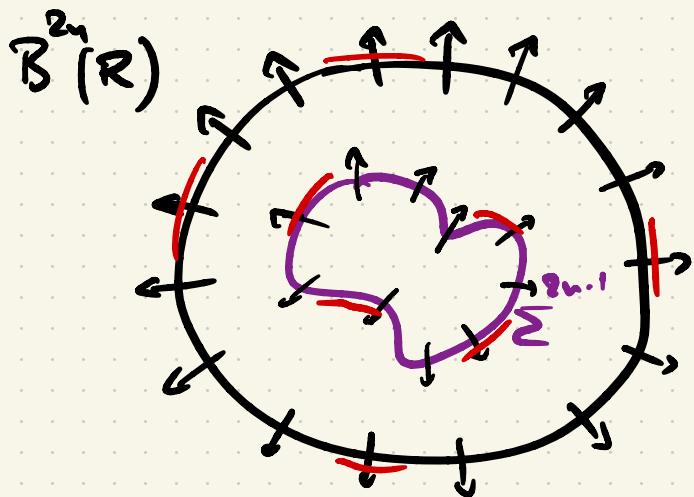
local Liouville vector field Z

$$\mathcal{L}_Z \omega = \omega$$

$$Z \pitchfork \Sigma$$

= closed orbit of Hamiltonian
 $H : \mathbb{R}^{2n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ for which Σ
is regular level set

Example : Weinstein conjecture in \mathbb{R}^{2n} using symplectic homology (II)



"Counts" / "Sees" periodic
orbits on the boundary
via Floer cylinders/holomorphic curves

Classical invariant : singular homology
Quantum invariant : symplectic homology

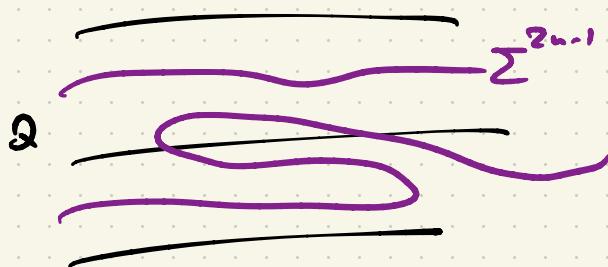
$$\begin{array}{ccc} H^{n-*}(B^2(R)) & \xrightarrow{*} & SH_*(B^2(R)) \\ \downarrow \text{injective} & & \downarrow \\ H^{n-*}(\text{int } \Sigma) & \longrightarrow & SH_*(\text{int } \Sigma) \end{array}$$

When applicable, this method produces
contractible closed characteristics.

What about cotangent bundles?

Q smooth closed manifold $\rightarrow T^*Q$ symplectic manifold
 $\omega_{can} = \sum_{i=1}^n dp_i \wedge dg_i$

$$D^*Q = \{ |p| \leq 1 \}$$



Then (Hofer-Viterbo) $\Sigma^{2n-1} \subset T^*Q$
closed hypersurface of contact type.
If $\text{int}(\Sigma)$ contains the 0-section, then
 Σ carries at least one closed characteristic.

What about cotangent bundles? (II)

Previous scheme does not work (and cannot work, as it would provide closed characteristics that are contractible in T^*Q)

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H^{n-\infty}(D^*Q) = H_\infty(Q) & \xrightarrow{\hspace{2cm}} & SH_\infty(D^*Q) = H_\infty(\mathcal{L}Q) \\
 \text{can we} \\
 \text{make this non-injective?} & & \uparrow \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \text{can we make this} \\
 \text{sufficiently non-zero?} & & \text{free loop space} \\
 & & = \text{Map}(S^1, Q).
 \end{array}$$

$$H^{n-\infty}(\text{nt } \Sigma) \xrightarrow{\hspace{2cm}} SH_\infty(\text{nt } \Sigma)$$

Would need $SH_\infty(D^*Q) = H_\infty(\mathcal{L}Q)$ "smaller" than $H_\infty(Q)$ \leadsto DG coefficients!

Theorem (criterion for almost existence)

(ω, ω) Liouville domain

(D^*Q)

$\cup \subset \mathcal{W}$ domain w. smooth bdry

$(\text{int}(\Sigma))$

Assume

$\exists \alpha \in H^{n-\star}(\omega) \text{ s.t. }$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H^{n-\star}(\omega) & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & \circ \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \neq 0 \\ H^{n-\star}(\cup) & & \end{array} \longrightarrow SH_\alpha(\omega)$$

Then almost every energy level near Σ carries a contractible closed characteristic.
("almost existence", Hofer - Struwe)

Theorem 1 (BDHO) Q " closed orientable.

Given S closed orientable n -manifold

and a map $\varphi: S \rightarrow T^*Q$,

let $d = \deg(\pi \circ \varphi)$ and assume that:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & T^*Q & \\ \varphi \nearrow & \downarrow \pi & \\ S & \xrightarrow{\pi \circ \varphi} & Q \end{array}$$

$K(\pi_1)$:
 $\pi_1(Q=0, i \geq 2)$

1) Either Q is not a $K(\pi_1)$ and $d = \pm 1$,

2) Or Q is not a rational $K(\pi_1)$ and $d \neq 0$.

$\pi_1(Q \text{ torsion}, i \geq 2)$.

Then almost existence holds for any hypersurface $\Sigma \subset T^*Q$

s.t. $\text{int } \Sigma \supset \varphi(S)$.

Theorem 2 (BDHO) Q^n closed oriented

Assume Q is not a rational $K(\pi, 1)$.

Then almost existence holds for any hypersurface $\Sigma \subset T^*Q$

s.t. $\pi_1: \text{int}(\Sigma) \rightarrow Q$ induces nonzero map

$$H_n(\text{int } \Sigma; \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow H_n(Q; \mathbb{Z}).$$

Corollary (BDHO; contractible almost existence in exact magnetic cotangent bundles)

Q closed orientable, $\sigma \in \Omega^1(Q)$.

$\rightsquigarrow \omega_\sigma = \omega_{\text{can}} + \pi^* d\sigma$ "magnetic" symplectic form on T^*Q .

The previous statements hold for ω_σ

(use symplectomorphism $(p, \mathbf{z}) \longmapsto (p + \sigma(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{z})$)

ω_σ

ω_{can}

E.g.
 $Q \neq K(\pi, 1)$
 $\text{int} \Sigma \supset Q$



Morse homology with DG coefficients / Motivation #2

Our definition revisits and reinterprets the "enriched Floer complex"
defined by Bourne - Cornea in 2007.

Definitions: X path-connected topological space, \star basepoint

$\Sigma X = \text{Morse based loops } (\gamma: [0, L] \rightarrow X$
 $\gamma(0) = \gamma(L) = \star)$

$$\Omega X \times \Omega X \longrightarrow \Omega X \quad \begin{matrix} \text{strictly associative} \\ \text{concat.} \end{matrix}$$

$C_*(\Omega X)$: dge of cubical chains on ΩX

(we use cubical chains because they are better adapted to products)

Definition : A DG local system / derived local system / infinity local system on X is a right $C_*(\Omega X)$ -module (dg).

Main source of DG local systems: fibrations

Given $F \hookrightarrow E$ Hurewicz fibration, it admits

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 \times

(up to replacing it with a naturally equivalent one)

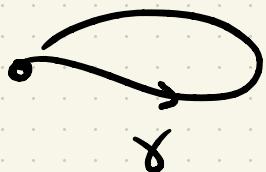
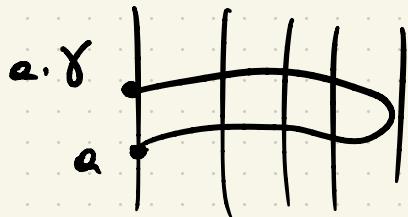
a transitive lifting function, unique up to homotopy.

(Hurewicz, Fadell, Guganachan, Dyer - Künn '50-'60)

→ i.e. right ΩX -module structure on F : $F \times \Omega X \longrightarrow F$

Think of such a lifting function as holonomy

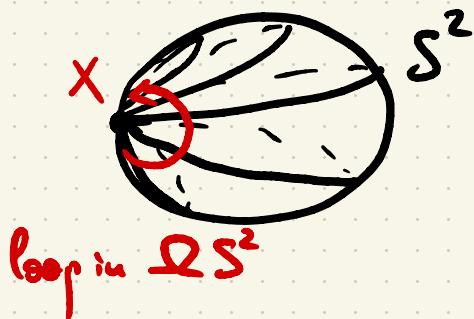
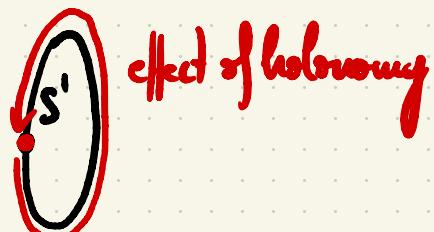
/ analogous to deck transformation
action for covering spaces



/ if E smooth fibration, any
↓
 X connection defines
such a lifting function.

Consequence: $C_* F \otimes C_* \Omega X \rightarrow C_* F$ right $C_* \Omega X$ -module .

Example: $S^1 \hookrightarrow S^3$ Hopf fibration



$$H_x(S^1) \otimes H_x(\Omega S^2) \longrightarrow H_x S^1$$

$$\langle pt, [S^1] \rangle \quad \mathbb{Z}[x] \quad |x|=1$$

$$pt \otimes X \longrightarrow [S^1]$$

$$\alpha \otimes pt \longrightarrow \alpha$$

The rest is zero for degree reasons.

Twisted tensor product (Brown '59)

$F \hookrightarrow E \rightarrow X$ Hurewicz fibration.

Q: Is it possible to give a model for $C_* E$ as

$$C_* F \otimes C_* X \xhookrightarrow{\quad} D_{\otimes} + \text{perturbation}$$

endowed with a "twisted" differential?

A: (Brown) YES, and we need 2 ingredients :

- $C_* \Omega X$ -module structure on $C_* F$

- a map $\varphi: C_* X \longrightarrow C_{*-1} \Omega X$ (*Brown's universe*)
that satisfies a Maurer-Cartan equation (*twisting cocycle*)

Morse theory with DG coefficients

X manifold, $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ Morse

↪ Morse-Smale negative gradient-like \vec{v} field

→ $\overline{\mathcal{M}}(x, y)$ compactified moduli spaces of Morse trajectories

Pick orientations α_x of $W^u(x)$, $x \in \text{Crit } f \rightsquigarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}}(x, y)$ oriented

$$\boxed{\partial \overline{\mathcal{M}}(x, y) = \bigcup_{z \in \text{Crit}(f)} (-1)^{|x| - |z|} \overline{\mathcal{M}}(x, z) \times \overline{\mathcal{M}}(z, y)}$$

Bernaud-Corne : \exists collection $\{s_{x,y}\}$

$$s_{x,y} \in C_{|x|-1, |y|-1}(\overline{M}(x,y), \partial\overline{M}(x,y))$$

representative of the fundamental class

s.t.

$$\boxed{\partial s_{x,y} = \sum_z (-1)^{|x|-|z|} s_{x,z} \times s_{z,y}}$$

The moduli spaces $\bar{M}(x,y)$ evaluate naturally into $P_{x \rightarrow y} X$

$$\bar{M}(x,y) \xrightarrow{\text{ev}} P_{x \rightarrow y} X \rightarrow \Omega X \quad \text{Space of Moer paths } x \rightarrow y$$



← parameterized by level sets of f , one interval

$$[0, f(x) - f(y)]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \quad u_{x,y} = ev_* s_{x,y} &\in C_{|x_1-y_1|-1} P_{x \rightarrow y} X \text{ satisfy} \\ | \quad \partial u_{x,y} = \sum_2 (-1)^{|x_1-z_1|} u_{x,z} \cdot u_{z,y} | & \quad \text{concatenation!} \end{aligned}$$

This can be further converted into a collection

$$\{ u_{x,y} \in C_{|x|-1, |y|-1} \Omega^X \}$$

that satisfies

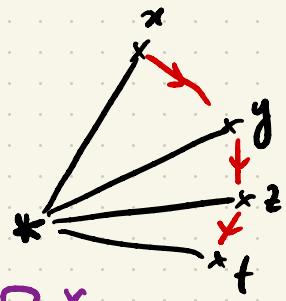
$$D u_{x,y} = \sum_z (-1)^{|x|-|z|} u_{xz} \cdot u_{zy}$$

"Berenfeld-Cornea
universal twisting
cocycle"

(Choose embedded tree

tree $\subset X$

$$P_{x \rightarrow y} : X \rightarrow \Omega(X/\text{tree}) = \Omega^X$$



that connects the base point *

to cut f, then

collapse it)

Definition : Let \mathcal{F} a $C_*(\Omega X)$ -module. The Morse complex with coefficients in \mathcal{F} is

$$C_*(X; \mathcal{F}) = \mathcal{F} \otimes \langle \text{crit } f \rangle$$

with differential

$$\partial(\alpha \otimes x) = \partial \alpha \otimes x + (-1)^{|\alpha|} \sum_y \alpha \cdot u_{x,y} \otimes y$$

Summary of the construction:

Think of all this as Morse homology
with coefficients in a fibration.

$$\{\bar{M}(x,y)\}$$

representatives
of freedom classes

$$\{s_{x,y} \in C_{|x|-|y|-1} \bar{M}(x,y)\}$$

evaluate into
path/loop spaces

$$\{u_{x,y} \in C_{|x|-|y|-1} \Omega^X\}$$

universal twisting cycle

use $\bar{f} \in C_x \Omega^X$ -mod

$$C_x(X; \mathbb{F}) = \bar{f} \otimes \text{Cof } f$$

$$\partial(\alpha \otimes z) = \partial \alpha \otimes z + (-1)^{|z|} \sum_y d_{u_{x,y}} \otimes y$$

Theorem (Charette, BDHO)

Let $F \subset E \rightarrow X$ be a Hurewicz fibration,

and let $\bar{F} = C^*_F F$ the corresponding DG local system.

We have an isomorphism

$$H_*(C_*(X; \bar{F})) \cong H_*(E).$$

Point of view: . Bernard - Cornea cocycle is Morse counterpart of Brown
cycle.
. both are $\overline{\text{Tor}}^{C_*\Omega X}(F, \mathbb{Z})$.



Hamiltonian Floer homology with DG-coefficients

(W, ω) symplectically aspherical , $H: S^1 \times W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ Hamiltonian

Morse theory for the action functional A_H defined on

$$X = \mathcal{L}W$$

DG local system $\mathcal{F} : C_* \Omega \mathcal{L}W$ - module

(work componentwise on $\mathcal{L}W$, say on $\mathcal{L}_0 W$)
contractible

$$\left\{ \bar{M}(x,y) : x,y \in \text{Per}(H) \right\} \xrightarrow{\text{repres. of}} \left\{ s_{x,y} \in C_{|x|-|y|-1} \bar{M}(x,y) \right\}$$



Think of this
as Floer homology
with coefficients
in a filtration

$$\xrightarrow{\text{evaluate into paths/loops in } X = \Sigma W} \left\{ u_{x,y} \in C_{|x|-|y|-1} \Omega^k W \right\}$$

Bernaud-Cornea universal
twisting cocycle

$$\xrightarrow{\text{vec } F} FC_*(H; \overline{F}) = \overline{F} \otimes \langle \text{Per}(H) \rangle$$

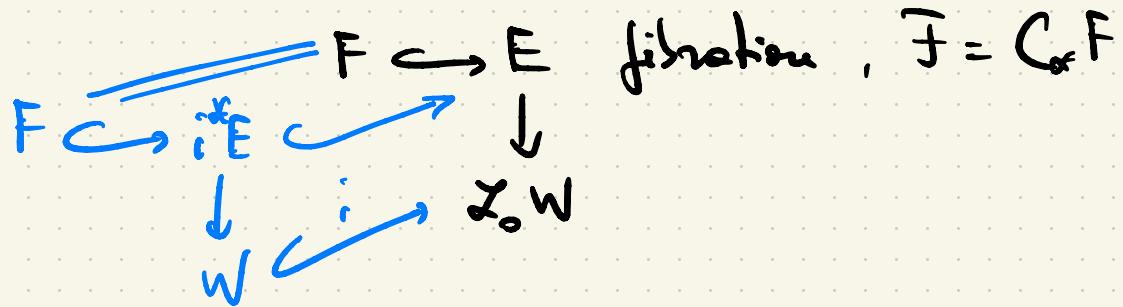
$C_* \Omega^k W$ -module

$$\partial(\alpha \otimes x) = \partial \alpha \otimes x$$

$$+ (-1)^{|x|} \sum_y d \cdot u_{x,y} \otimes y$$

Two computations (BDHO)

1. DG PSS isomorphism (W, ω) closed sympl. aspherical



$$FH_*(H; \tilde{F}) \cong H_*(W; i^*\tilde{F}) \cong H_*(E|_W)$$

Two computations (BDHO)

2. DG Vitale isomorphism Q^n closed manifold

$$F \hookrightarrow E \text{ fibration}, \tilde{F} = C_* F$$

$\mathcal{L}Q$

$\mathcal{L}T^*Q$

$$\downarrow \pi^*$$

$\mathcal{L}Q$

$$SH_*(T^*Q; \pi^* \mathbb{F} \otimes \gamma) \simeq H_*(\mathcal{L}Q; \mathbb{F}) \simeq H_*(E)$$

spin + orientation local system

Proof of Theorem 1 ($d = \pm 1$)

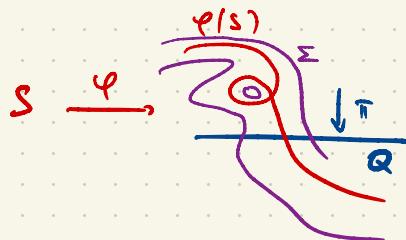
Statement: Q^n closed oriented $\neq K(\pi, 1)$

Contractible almost existence holds for any hypersurface

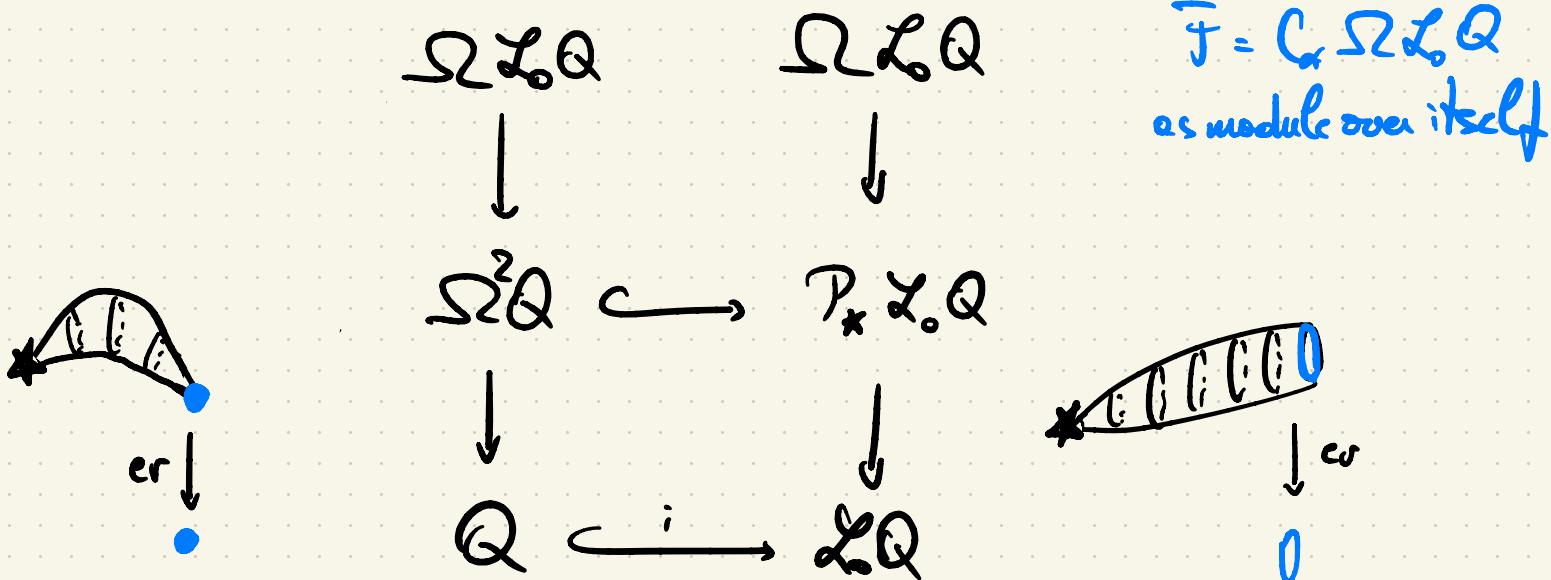
$$\Sigma \subset T^*Q \text{ s.t. } \text{int } \Sigma \supset \varphi(S),$$

where $\varphi: S \longrightarrow T^*Q$ is any map s.t. $\deg(\pi \circ \varphi) = \pm 1$.

(closed oriented n -dimensional)



Proof : Consider the "universal" fibration over ΩQ + restriction to Q
 (path-loop)



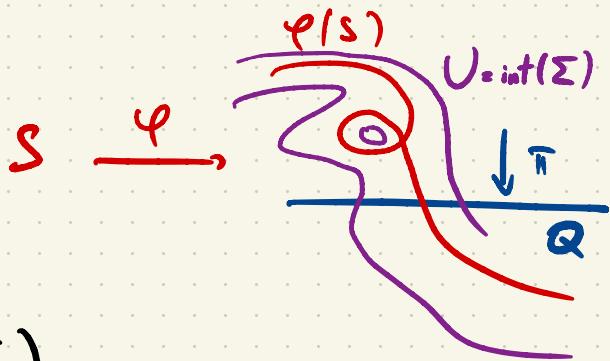
$$\begin{aligned}
 H_*(Q; i^* \bar{\mathbb{F}}) &\xrightarrow{\quad} SH_*^{cont\& coh} (D^* Q; \bar{\mathcal{F}} \otimes \bar{\gamma}) \\
 = H_*(\mathcal{P}_* \mathcal{L} Q|_Q) &\quad \text{if } Q \neq K(\pi_1), \\
 &\quad \text{This is not injective} \\
 = H_*(\Omega^2 Q) &
 \end{aligned}$$

$\downarrow \pi_1$, is injective
if $d = \pm 1$

$$H_{d+n}(U, \partial U; \pi^* i^* \bar{\mathbb{F}})$$

$$\boxed{
 \begin{aligned}
 \Omega^2 Q &\simeq pt \\
 \text{if } Q &= K(\pi_1)
 \end{aligned}
 }$$

Injectivity of $\bar{\pi}_!$:



$$H_{*+n}(U, \partial U; \bar{\pi}^*; {}^*\bar{F})$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \\ & \swarrow \varphi_! & \nearrow \bar{\pi}_! \\ H_*(S; (\bar{\pi} \circ \varphi)^*; {}^*\bar{F}) & & H_*(Q; {}^*\bar{F}) \\ & \xleftarrow{(\bar{\pi} \circ \varphi)_!} & \end{array}$$

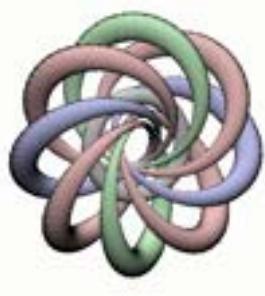
$$\boxed{(\bar{\pi} \circ \varphi)_* (\bar{\pi} \circ \varphi)_! = d \cdot \text{Id}, \quad d = \deg(\bar{\pi} \circ \varphi: S \rightarrow Q)}$$

Summary : • Morse / Floer homologies with DG coefficients
capture "higher dimensional twists"
/ fibrations

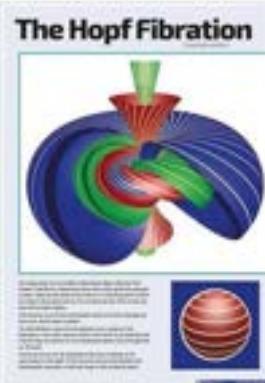
- the fibres can be infinite-dimensional
(and they actually are in applications)
- filtered theories + full package
(differential, continuation maps, limits)
- lie in between homology and homotopy
- computability ++



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