

Def.  $X$  Hausdorff.

$X$  compactly gen.  $\iff [A \subseteq X \text{ closed iff } A \cap C \text{ closed}]$   
 $\forall C \subseteq X \text{ compact}$

Note: Topology on  $\Omega X$  is done st. it is comp. gen.

Lemma 1

Suppose 1)  $X_q, q \in \mathbb{N}$  Hausdorff and compactly gen.

2)  $\forall q, f_q : X_q \rightarrow X_{q+1}$  closed inclusion

$\implies X = \operatorname{colim}_{q \rightarrow \infty} X_q$  is comp. gen. and

every compact subset is contained in  $X_q$  for some  $q$ .

Proof: Use the fact that the topology on  $X$  is made such that

$$g_p : X_p \hookrightarrow X$$

are continuous.

This tells you that  $A \subseteq X$  closed iff  $A \cap X_q \subseteq X_q$  closed for all  $q$ .

The rest follows from unraveling the definitions and using the assumption

$$f_q : X_q \hookrightarrow X_{q+1} \text{ closed } \forall q.$$

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Def. Consider the sequence

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$$S^0 \rightarrow \Omega S^1 \rightarrow \Omega^2 S^2 \rightarrow \dots$$

Note 1)  $\Sigma S^q = S^1 \wedge S^q \cong S^{q+1}$ , so

$$\Omega^{q+1} S^{q+1} = \Omega^{q+1} \Sigma S^q = \Omega^q \Omega \Sigma S^q.$$

2) If we have a cont. inclusion  $X \hookrightarrow Y$ ,  
we get a cont. inclusion  $\Omega X \hookrightarrow \Omega Y$

3) We always have a cont. inclusion  
 $X \hookrightarrow \Omega \Sigma X$ .

So we first get a cont. inclusion  $S^q \hookrightarrow \Omega \Sigma S^q = \Omega S^{q+1}$   
and then inductively  $\Omega^q S^q \hookrightarrow \Omega^q \Omega S^{q+1} = \Omega^{q+1} S^{q+1}$ .

$\rightsquigarrow$  Can apply colimit of top. spaces and set

$$QS^0 := \operatorname{colim}_{q \rightarrow \infty} \Omega^q S^q$$

called the 0-space of the sphere spectrum.

Prop. With the definitions given before,

$$\boxed{\pi_n^S = \pi_n(QS^0)}.$$

Proof: First note that (by definition)  $\Omega^n S^n$  is compactly gen. and  $S^n$  is compactly gen. (since it is a smooth manifold.)

$\Rightarrow$  suffices to show that for comp. gen. Hausdorff spaces  $X_q$ ,

$$\pi_n(\operatorname{colim}_{q \rightarrow \infty} X_q) \cong \operatorname{colim}_{q \rightarrow \infty} \pi_n X_q \quad (*)$$

~~The natural map~~ Write  $X = \operatorname{colim}_{q \rightarrow \infty} X_q$ .

Consider the natural map

$$\varphi: \operatorname{colim}_{q \rightarrow \infty} \pi_n X_q \longrightarrow \pi_n(\operatorname{colim}_{q \rightarrow \infty} X_q)$$

Have cont. inclusions  $g_q: X_q \hookrightarrow X = \operatorname{colim} X_q$ .

$\varphi$  is defined as follows: Take some  $[f] \in \text{LHS}$ .

Then  $f: S^n \rightarrow X_q$  for some  $q$ .

$\rightsquigarrow$  get a map  $g_q \circ f: S^n \rightarrow X$ .

$$\Rightarrow \varphi([f]) := [g_q \circ f] \in \pi_n X.$$

This is well-defined and a group hom.

Surjective: Suppose  $[f] \in \pi_n(X)$ ,  $f: S^n \rightarrow X$  cont. 12.12

Can:  $\Rightarrow \text{im } f \subseteq X \text{ comp.} \Rightarrow \text{im } f \subseteq X_q$  for some  $q$ .

Can:  $\Rightarrow$  Have  $\tilde{f}: S^n \rightarrow X_q$  st.  $g_q \circ \tilde{f} = f$ , thus

$$[f] = [g_q \circ \tilde{f}] = \varphi([f]).$$

Injective: Suppose we have some  $f: S^n \rightarrow X_q$  with

$$\varphi([f]) = [g_q \circ f] = [\text{const.}]$$

So we have a homotopy between

$$g_q \circ f: S^n \rightarrow X \quad \text{and} \quad \text{const.}: S^n \rightarrow X$$

So a cont. map  $H: S^n \times I \rightarrow X$ .

$$H(\cdot, 0) = g_q \circ f, \quad H(\cdot, 1) = \text{const.}$$

Again, by lemma 1  $\text{im } H \subseteq X_r$  for some  $r$   
(since  $S^n \times I$  compact)  $\Rightarrow$  Can write this as

$$S^n \times I \xrightarrow{\tilde{H}} X_r \hookrightarrow X$$

Can assume  $q$  to be minimal, i.e. st.  $\nexists s < q$ ,

$$\tilde{f}: S^n \rightarrow X_s, \quad f = f_{q-1} \circ \dots \circ f_s \circ \tilde{f}. \quad \boxed{\Rightarrow r \geq q.}$$

In the colimit, we have

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$$[f] = [f_{r-1} \circ \dots \circ f_q \circ f]$$

And we have just seen that

$$\tilde{H}: S^n \times \mathbb{I} \rightarrow X_r$$

is a homotopy between  $f_{r-1} \circ \dots \circ f_q \circ f$  and  $\text{const.}$

$$\Rightarrow [f_{r-1} \circ \dots \circ f_q \circ f] = [\text{const}] = 0 \text{ in } \pi_n X_r$$

$$\Rightarrow [f] = [f_{r-1} \circ \dots \circ f_q \circ f] = 0 \text{ in } \varinjlim \pi_n X_q.$$

$\Rightarrow \varphi$  is injective.

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# Stabilization of framed submanifolds

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Recall:

Thm (Pontryagin-Thom)

$M$  a smooth compact MF,  $m = \dim M$ .

$$\Rightarrow [M, S^q] \xrightarrow{\sim} \Omega_{m-q}^{\text{fr}} M$$

Use this for  $M = S^m$ , so

$$\phi: [S^m, S^q] \xrightarrow{\sim} \Omega_{m-q}^{\text{fr}} S^m.$$

Thus the sequence

$$[S^m, S^q] \xrightarrow{\bar{\Sigma}} [S^{m+1}, S^{q+1}] \xrightarrow{\Sigma} [S^{m+2}, S^{q+2}] \xrightarrow{\Sigma} \dots$$

becomes  $(\sigma = \phi \circ \bar{\Sigma} \circ \phi^{-1})$ :

$$\Omega_{m-q}^{\text{fr}} S^m \xrightarrow{\sigma} \Omega_{m-q}^{\text{fr}} S^{m+1} \xrightarrow{\sigma} \Omega_{m-q}^{\text{fr}} S^{m+2} \xrightarrow{\sigma} \dots$$

Recall that elements in  $\Omega_{m-q}^{\text{fr}} S^m$  are framed bordism classes of submanifolds of  $S^m = A^m \cup \{\infty\}$ , each represented by a framed submanifold  $Y \subseteq S^m$ .  
WLOG  $\infty \notin Y$ , so  $Y \subseteq A^m$ .

This identification tells us the following :

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1)  $\Omega_{m-q, S^m}^{\text{fr}}$  is an abelian group.

Addition in this group amounts to a disjoint union of submanifolds of  $A^m$ .

2) Explicitly,  $\sigma$  is the map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Y & \longrightarrow & O \times Y \\ \downarrow \eta & & \downarrow \eta \\ A^m & & A^1 \times A^m \end{array}$$

For a given framing of  $Y \subseteq A^m$ , it is a ~~subset~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~normal~~ ~~bundle~~ ~~of~~ ~~Y~~ ~~in~~ ~~A^m~~ global basis of sections of ~~the~~ normal bundle, we get a framing of  $O \times Y \subseteq A^{m+1}$  by adding the constant vector field  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}$  to this basis.

Question : Does this sequence stabilize?

A : It does, but to see this, we need a little more machinery.

Thm Embeddings of compact MFs and the stabilization theorem

Def.  $Y$  a compact MF.

An isotopy of embeddings  $Y \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^N$  is a smooth map

$$I: \Delta^1 \times Y \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^N$$

st.  $I|_{\{t\} \times Y}$  is an embedding  $\forall t \in \Delta^1$ .

Note: For compact MF, every embedding is an injective immersion.

Thm  $Y$  a smooth comp.  $n$ -MF.

(i) (Whitney)  $\exists$  embedding  $i: Y \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^{2n+1}$ .

If  $Y \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^N$  an embedding with  $N > 2n+1$ ,  $\exists$  isotopy of  $i$  to an embedding into an affine subspace  $\mathbb{A}^{2n+1} \subseteq \mathbb{A}^N$ .

(ii)  $i_0, i_1: Y \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^{2n+1}$  embeddings

$\Rightarrow$  Their stabilizations

$$\tilde{i}_k: Y \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^{2n+1} \times \mathbb{A}^{2n+1}$$
$$y \mapsto (0, i_k(y))$$

$k = 0, 1$

are isotopic



(iii)  $X$  a comp.  $(n+1)$ -MF with boundary.

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$\Rightarrow \exists$  embedding  $X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^{2n+3}$

as a neat submanifold with boundary.

Proof: (i), (iii) as ~~black~~ black boxes

(ii) use  $\Delta^1 \cong [0, 3]$ . Define

$$I(t, y) := \begin{cases} (t i_0(y), i_0(y)) & t \in [0, 1] \\ (i_0(y), (2-t)i_0(y) + (t-1)i_1(y)) & t \in [1, 2] \\ (3-t)i_0(y), i_1(y) & t \in [2, 3]. \end{cases}$$

so  $(0, i_0) \rightsquigarrow (i_0, i_0) \rightsquigarrow (i_0, i_1) \rightsquigarrow (0, i_1)$ .

This is an isotopy between  $\tilde{i}_0$  and  $\tilde{i}_1$ .

We use this to prove the following lem:

Thm ~~The map  $\sigma: \Omega_{n, S^m}^{fr} \rightarrow \Omega_{n, S^{m+1}}^{fr}$  is an isomorphism for  $m \geq 2n+2$ .~~

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Proof: (Sketch)

Surjectivity: ~~.....~~ ~~.....~~

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Suppose  $[Y] \in \mathbb{Z}_{n, \delta}^{fr, m+1}$ .  $Y$  u-MF.

Suppose we have an embedding  $i_0: Y \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^{m+1}$

(i) tells us that  $(m+1 > m \geq 2n+2) \exists$  isotopy

$\Delta^1 \times Y \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^{m+1}$  to an embedding  $i_1: Y \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^m$ .

This gives the preimage under  $\sigma$ .

Injectivity: Suppose  $j_0: Y \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^m$  is an

embedding,  $k_0: X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}^{m+1}$  a null bordism

of the composition  $Y \xrightarrow{j_0} \mathbb{A}^m \subseteq \mathbb{A}^{m+1}$

Then (iii) tells us there is an isotopy

$k_1: \Delta^1 \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^{m+1}$  with  $st. k_1(X) \subseteq \mathbb{A}^m$

is a null bordism of  $j_0$ .

Statement on the level of framings is taken as a black box. (unobtrivial!)

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Get the Freudenthal suspension thm as a corollary: (11)  
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Recall that we identified the sequences

$$[S^m, S^q] \xrightarrow{\bar{\Sigma}} [S^{m+1}, S^{q+1}] \xrightarrow{\bar{\Sigma}} [S^{m+2}, S^{q+2}] \xrightarrow{\bar{\Sigma}} \dots$$

and

$$\Omega_{m-q, S^m}^{\text{fr}} \xrightarrow{\sigma} \Omega_{m-q, S^{m+1}}^{\text{fr}} \xrightarrow{\sigma} \Omega_{m-q, S^{m+2}}^{\text{fr}} \xrightarrow{\sigma} \dots$$

via Pontryagin-Thom.

So rewriting (\*) gives

Corollary (Freudenthal suspension thm)

The map  $\bar{\Sigma}: [S^m, S^q] \rightarrow [S^{m+1}, S^{q+1}]$   
is an isomorphism for  $m \leq 2q - 2$ .

Proof:

$$n = m - q, \text{ so } m \geq 2n + 2 \iff m \geq 2(m - q) + 2 \\ \iff m \leq 2q - 2.$$

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Note: This might equivalently be stated  
as a statement about

$$\Sigma: \pi_m S^q \rightarrow \pi_{m+1} S^{q+1}.$$