

Proper surgery groups and Wall-Novikov groups

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The lifting of a surgery problem of closed manifolds to a covering leads usually to a proper surgery problem on open locally compact manifolds, and this procedure gives by the present work new informations about the original problem. This is the motivation of proper surgery. In [8], proper surgery groups are constructed formally as in [9, §9] and our goal has been to "compute" these groups in terms of Wall-Novikov groups (both [8] and the present work have been done simultaneously and ignoring each other). I am indebted to W. Browder, J. Wagoner, R. Lee, A. Ranicki for useful and friendly conversations, and to L. Taylor who pointed out a gap.

1. Notations and conventions

We consider exclusively locally compact manifolds M and CW-complexes X of finite dimension, and proper maps f between them (i.e. $f^{-1}(\text{compact})$ is compact).

If X is connected, we can choose a fundamental sequence of ngbd of $\bullet: X_1 \supset X_2 \supset X_3 \supset \dots$ formed by subcomplexes X_n with only non compact components (in finite number). We denote by $\overline{X - X_n}$ any finite subcomplex of X such that $\overline{X - X_n} \cup X_n = X$, and let $\dot{X}_n = \overline{X - X_n} \cap X_n$ which is a finite subcomplex containing the frontier of X_n

in X . For any pointed connected CW-complex A , with associated universal covering \tilde{A} , one usually denotes by $C(A)$ the chain complex of cellular chains on \tilde{A} with integer coefficients (and if $B \subset A$, then $C(A) \text{ mod } C(A, B)$ is denoted by $C(A, B)$) We denote by $C(X_n)$ the family $C(X_n^1)$ obtained by choosing implicitly one base point in each connected component X_n^1 of X_n .

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Similarly, we denote by $Z\pi_1 X_n$ the family of rings $Z\pi_1 X_n^i$ and by a $Z\pi_1 X_n$ -module M , we mean a family of $Z\pi_1 X_n^i$ -modules M^i . The homology of $C(X_n)$ is denoted by $H_k(X_n)$, while the homology of its dual $C^*(X_n)$, the family of $\text{Hom}_{\pi_1 X_n^i}(C(X_n^i), Z\pi_1 X_n^i)$, is denoted by $H^k(X_n)$, where $C(X_n^i)$ is given the right structure via the anti-automorphism $\alpha \rightarrow w(\alpha)\alpha^{-1}$ of $Z\pi_1 X_n^i$, w being given by some fixed homomorphism $\pi_1 X \rightarrow +1$.

The U-groups of [4] or [5] will be denoted by $L_m^p(G)$ while $L_m(G)$ denotes the ordinary Wall groups (or V-groups). As an inner automorphism of G induces \pm identity on $L_m^p(G)$, $L_m^p(\pi_1 X_n^i)$ is well defined and we write $L_m^p(\pi_1 X_n) = \bigoplus_i L_m^p(\pi_1 X_n^i)$. Similarly $X_{n+1} \rightarrow X_n$

induces a unique homomorphism on L_m^p . In particular, $\varprojlim_n L_m^p(\pi_1 X_n)$ only depends on X , as well as $\varprojlim_n^1 L_m^p(\pi_1 X_n)$. As for the latter it maybe useful to recall Milnor's definition of \varprojlim^1 of an inverse system of abelian groups $A_1 \xleftarrow{*} A_2 \xleftarrow{*} A_3 \xleftarrow{*} \dots$: this is the Coker of $\prod_{n>1} A_n \xrightarrow{1-S} \prod_{n>1} A_n$, where $(1-S)(a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots) = (a_1 - a_2^*, a_2 - a_3^*, \dots)$. Observe that a subsequence of $\{A_n\}$ gives the same result: e.g. $\varprojlim^1 A_{2n+1} \cong \varprojlim^1 A_n$ by mapping (a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots) to $(a_1 + a_2^*, a_3 + a_4^*, \dots)$ in the range of $1-S$.

2. Homology and cohomology inverse systems

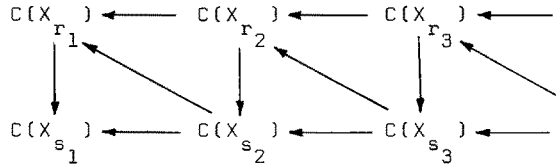
Having implicitly chosen one base point for each connected component of X_n , we join the base points of X_{n+1} to those of X_n by paths in X_n (in this way, a tree grows in each connected component of X_1). The latter determine maps $\tilde{X}_{n+1}^j \rightarrow \tilde{X}_n^i$ and so pseudo-linear homomorphisms $C(X_{n+1}^j) \rightarrow C(X_n^i)$.

This gives rise to an inverse system $\{C(X_n)\}$. Note that

$$\bigoplus_j \left(\mathbb{Z} \pi_1 X_n^i \otimes_{\mathbb{Z} \pi_1 X_{n+1}^j} C(X_{n+1}^j) \right) \quad (\text{one summand for each } j \text{ such that } X_{n+1}^j \subset X_n^i)$$

is isomorphic to the subcomplex of $C(X_n^i)$ determined by $X_{n+1}^j \subset X_n^i$

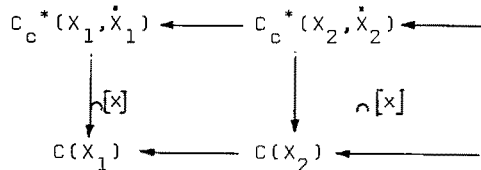
Two choices of base points and paths give two inverse systems related by a diagram of subsequences



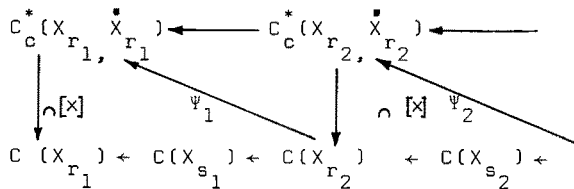
which commutes up to the action of $\pi_1 X_n^i$ on itself by inner automorphisms. Such a diagram is called a conjugate equivalence.

Similarly, the families of cochain complexes $C_c^*(X_n, \dot{X}_n) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \dots$

$= \varinjlim_r C^*(X_n, \dot{X}_n \cup X_r)$ form an inverse system by excision and is also well defined up to conjugate equivalence. Now, any element $[X] \in \varinjlim_r H_m(X, X_r; Z)$ (homology with coefficients extended by $w : \mathbb{Z} \pi_1 X \rightarrow Z$) gives by cap products (see [1]) a commutative diagram



i.e. by definition a morphism of inverse systems. The latter is called an equivalence if there is an "inverse" morphism $\{C(X_n)\} \rightarrow \{C_c^*(X_n, \dot{X}_n)\}$, i.e. a commutative diagram of subsequences



where ψ is pseudo-linear, and $r_1 < s_1 < r_2 < s_2 < \dots$

Observe that in this case, we can assume $r_n = s_{n-1} = n$ without loss of generality. When $\alpha[X]$ is an equivalence, we say that $[X]$ is a m-fundamental class at ∞ , and that X is properly Poincaré at ∞ . This turns out to be an invariant of the proper homotopy type of X . Now, a proper map $f: M \rightarrow X$ of properly Poincaré complexes is said of degree 1 if $f^* [M] = [X]$. By confusing X with the mapping cylinder of f , and denoting the $k+1$ -homology of $C(X_n, M_n)$, resp. $C_c^*(X_n, \dot{X}_n \cup M_n)$ by $K_k(M_n)$, resp. $K_c^k(M_n, \dot{M}_n)$, where $M_n = X_n \cap M$, $\dot{M}_n = \dot{X}_n \cap M$ we get again inverse systems $\{K_k(M_n)\}$ and $\{K_c^k(M_n, \dot{M}_n)\}$ well defined up to conjugate equivalence. If $M_n = \partial M_n$, then the composition :

$$\Psi: K_{m-k}(M_n) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_{m-k}(M_n) \xrightarrow{\text{Poincaré}} H_c^k(M_n, \partial M_n) \rightarrow K_c^k(M_n, \dot{M}_n)$$
 turns out to be a canonical equivalence of inverse systems with an inverse shifting n by 4 (and so shifting n by 1 on a subsequence). Of course in the above, $H_*(M_n)$ and $H_c^*(M_n, \partial M_n)$ are with $\pi_1 X_n$ -coefficients.

3. Homology and cohomology direct systems

For $r < n < s$, let $C^*(X_n, X_s)_r$ be the family $\bigoplus_j \text{Hom}_{Z\pi_1 X_r}^i$
 $\left(Z\pi_1 X_r^i \otimes_{Z\pi_1 X_n^j} C(X_n^j, X_s), Z\pi_1 X_r^i \right)$ and let $C_c^*(X_n)_r$ be the family

$\lim_{\substack{\rightarrow \\ s}} C^*(X_n, X_s)_r$. For r fixed, the restriction maps $C_c^*(X_n)_r \rightarrow C_c^*(X_{n+1})_r$ determine a direct system $\{C_c^*(X_n)_r\}$.

Similarly, if $C(X_n, \dot{X}_n)_r$ denotes the family $\bigoplus_j \left(Z\pi_1 X_r^i \otimes_{Z\pi_1 X_n^j} C(X_n^j, \dot{X}_n^j) \right)$

(chains of $\dot{X}_n^i | X_n \text{ mod } \dot{X}_n^i | X_n - X_n$), then the quotient maps

$C(X_n, \dot{X}_n)_r \rightarrow C(X_{n+1}, \dot{X}_{n+1})_r$ form a direct system, for r fixed and $n > r$. Now, given a proper map $f: M \rightarrow X$ of degree 1, if we write $K_*(M_n, \dot{M}_n)_r$, resp $K_c^*(M_n)_r$, for the homology of $C(X_n, \dot{X}_n \cup M_n)_r$,

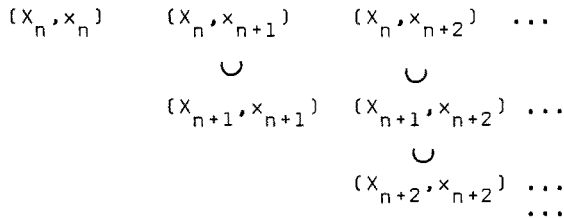
resp $C_c^*(X_n, M_n)_r$, we find again an equivalence ψ :

$$\{K_{m-k}(M_n, \dot{M}_n)_r\} \rightarrow \{K_c^k(M_n)_r\}.$$

Of course, these direct systems are well defined only up to conjugate equivalence, the latter notion being the same as for inverse systems.

4. End homology and cohomology

The dual of $C_c^*(X_n, \dot{X}_n)$ is canonically isomorphic to $C'(X_n, \dot{X}_n)^{\text{notat.}} = \varinjlim_s C(X_n, \dot{X}_n \cup X_s)$, which is nothing but the chain complex of locally finite chain on $X_n \text{ mod } \dot{X}_n$, with $Z\pi_1 X_n$ -coefficients. The quotient complex $C'(X_n, \dot{X}_n)/C(X_n, \dot{X}_n)$ yields the end homology $H_*^e(X_n)$ by definition. As usually, the cochain complex $\varinjlim_s C^*(X_s)_n$ yields the end cohomology $H_a^*(X_n)$ by definition. Now, one can prove [see 3] that, if $[X]$ is a m -fundamental class at ∞ coming from $C_m^*(X; Z)$, then $\cap [X]$ gives rise to an isomorphism $H_e^k(X_n) \simeq H_{m-k}^e(X_n)$. All this applies to a proper map $f : M \rightarrow X$ of degree 1, to yield an isomorphism $K_e^k(M_n) \simeq K_{m-k}^e(M_n)$. Our end homology can be viewed as an ϵ -construction (see [8] or [2]) with $\pi_1 X_n$ -coefficients as follows : consider the diagram of families of pointed subcomplexes



Then let $\mu C(X_s)_n$ be the quotient complex $\prod_{r>s} C(X_s, x_r)_n / \bigoplus_{r>s} C(X_s, x_r)$ and $\epsilon C(X_n) = \varinjlim_{s>n} \mu C(X_s)_n$. An isomorphism $C^e(X_n) \simeq \epsilon C(X_n)$ arises by decomposing $z \in C'(X_n)$ into $z_n \oplus z'_{n+1} \in C(X_n, x_{n+1}) \oplus C'(X_{n+1})_n$, then z'_{n+1} into $z_{n+1} \oplus z'_{n+2}$, and so forth.

5. The category of (inverse or direct) systems

If one considers systems of families of modules $\{A_n\}$ over $\{Z\pi_1 X_n\}$ as abstract objects and takes their equivalence classes by the relation of (conjugate) equivalence, and if one does the same thing for the morphisms $\{A_n\} \rightarrow \{B_n\}$, then it is routine to verify that one gets an abelian category (see [3], compare [7]). A more specific result is the following.

Proposition (see [3]) let $\{C(n)\}$ be a system of chain complexes, each of the form $0 \rightarrow C_\ell(n) \xrightarrow{\partial} \dots \rightarrow C_1(n) \rightarrow C_0(n) \rightarrow 0$

where $\ell > 0$ is fixed independent of n and $C_k(n)$ is free of countable rank. Suppose that the associated homology systems $\{H_k(n)\}$ are equivalent to 0 for all $k < \ell$. Then there is an equivalence $\{H_\ell(n)\} \rightarrow \{P_n\}$, where each P_n is a projective countably generated module and each homomorphism $H_\ell(n) \rightarrow P_n$ is injective.

Moreover, in the system $\{P_n\}$, one can assume that the image of $P_{n+1} \rightarrow P_n$ a direct summand, in particular also projective.

These two results essentially allow us to elaborate an algebraic Whitehead torsion for proper homotopy equivalence (compare [8]).

6. Proper surgery

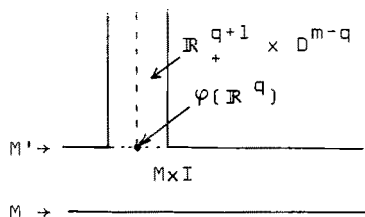
It is well known that any surgery rel, boundary on a compact m -submanifold of M^m extends to M , and similarly for a closed bicollared submanifold V^{n-1} . By definition, a proper surgery on M is the result of a diverging sequence of disjoint such surgeries. We distinguish the following particular case of carving out

$\mathbb{R}^q \subset M$. Let $f: M \rightarrow X$ be a proper normal map (relative to ξ proper on X), $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^q \rightarrow M$ be a proper embedding, $\psi: \mathbb{R}^{q+1}_+ \rightarrow X$ a proper map such that $\psi|_{\mathbb{R}^q} = f \circ \varphi$ ($\mathbb{R}^q = \partial \mathbb{R}^{q+1}_+$).

Now the normal bundle of φ is trivial (because \mathbb{R}^q is contractible) and we form W^{m+1} by gluing $M \times I$ and $\mathbb{R}^{q+1}_+ \times D^{m-q}$

along $\mathbb{R}^q \times D^{m-q} \subset M \times I$.

As $(M \times I) \cup \mathbb{R}_+^{q+1}$ is a proper deformation retract of W , we can extend f to $F : W \rightarrow X \times I$ by using ψ . The stable trivialisation of $\tau_M \oplus f^* \xi$ on M extends to a stable trivialisation of $\tau_W \oplus F^* \xi$ on W because W retracts by deformation on $M \times D$. Now, W is a cobordism between M and $M' = M - \varphi(\mathbb{R}^q)$. The inclusions $M \subset W \supset M' \cup D^{mq}$ are homotopy equivalences



One can observe that M also results from M' by first a $(m-q)$ -surgery and then carving out \mathbb{R}^{m-q} . To each cocompact submanifold $M_n \subset M$ corresponds a cocompact submanifold $M'_n \subset M'$ of the following shape : $M'_n = (M_n \cup q\text{-handle}) - \mathbb{R}^q$

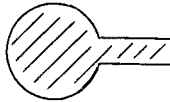
7. Preliminary surgeries

Let M be an open m -manifold, X a proper Poincaré complex at \bullet and $f : M \rightarrow X$ a proper normal map of degree 1. We assume that X is connected and so we can choose cocompact subcomplexes X_n in X which have only non compact connected components. We can assume that each \dot{X}_n is bicollared, and that f is transversal on each of them (see [1]). Then $f^{-1}(X_n)$ is a cocompact submanifolds $M_n \subset M$, such that $\partial M_n = f^{-1}(\dot{X}_n)$ and $\overline{M_n - M_{n+1}} = f^{-1}(\overline{X_n - X_{n+1}})$. Clearly, if $m=2q$, resp. $2q+1$, $q \geq 3$, we can assume that each map

$\overline{M_n - M_{n+1}} \xrightarrow{f} \overline{X_n - X_{n+1}}$ is q -connected, while $\partial M_n \xrightarrow{f} \dot{X}_n$ is $q-1$, resp. q -connected. In particular, f is bijective on ends spaces.

When $m = 2q+1$, we can improve still the connectivity of f as follows.

Each module of the family $K_q(M_n, M_{n+1}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} H_{q+1}(X_n, M_n \cup X_{n+1})$ is finitely generated, and each generator can be represented by an embedded q -sphere S^q in $\overline{M_n - M_{n+1}}$, provided with a nulhomotopy D^{q+1} in $\overline{X_n - X_{n+1}}$. We pipe S^q to ∞ , getting $\mathbb{R}^q \underset{\text{proper}}{\subset} M_n$ and extend D^q into $\mathbb{R}^{q+1} \xrightarrow{\text{proper}} X_n$:



Then the process of carving out $\mathbb{R}^q \subset M_n$ allows to kill each $K_q(M_n, M_{n+1})$. An immediate consequence is $K_c^q(M_n) = 0$, hence the direct system $\{K_{q+1}(M_n, \partial M_n)_r\}$ is equivalent to 0 by duality. A more involved argument (see [3]) shows that $K'_q(M_n) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} H'_{q+1}(X_n, M_n)$ also vanishes hence the inverse system $\{K^{q+1}(M_n, \partial M_n)\}$ is equivalent to 0 by duality. Moreover, the inverse system $\{K_q(M_n)\}$ and the direct system $\{K_q(M_n, \partial M_n)_r\}$ are both equivalent to systems of projective countably generated modules (ibid).

8. The case $m=2q+1$, M open

Assuming the preliminary surgery already done the starting situation is described by a commutative square

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 K_c^{q+1}(M_n, \partial M_n)_r & \longrightarrow & K_c^{q+1}(M_n)_r \quad r < n. \\
 \uparrow \psi & & \uparrow \bar{\psi} \\
 K_q(M_n)_r & \longrightarrow & K_q(M_n, \partial M_n)_r
 \end{array}$$

where ψ , resp. $\bar{\psi}$, are equivalences of inverse, resp. direct, systems (r being fixed, n variable $> r$), with inverse equivalences shifting n by $+1$.

The fundamental duality property of this square is the following \dagger commutative diagrams of exact sequences

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \rightarrow & K^q(M_n, \partial M_n)_r & \rightarrow & K_e^q(M_n)_r & \rightarrow & K_c^{q+1}(M_n, \partial M_n)_r \\
 & & \uparrow \bar{\psi}^* & & \uparrow \psi^e & & \uparrow \psi \\
 & & K'_{q+1}(M_n)_r & \rightarrow & K_{q+1}^e(M_n)_r & \rightarrow & K_q(M_n)_r & \rightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \rightarrow & K^q(M_n)_r & \rightarrow & K_e^q(M_n)_r & \rightarrow & K_c^{q+1}(M_n)_r \\
 & & \uparrow \psi^* & & \uparrow \psi^e & & \uparrow \bar{\psi} \\
 & & K_{q+1}(M_n, \partial M_n)_r & \rightarrow & K_{q+1}^e(M_n)_r & \rightarrow & K_q(M_n, \partial M_n)_r & \rightarrow & 0
 \end{array}$$

where ψ^* is the composition $K'_{q+1}(M_n, \partial M_n)_r \xrightarrow{\text{can.}} \text{dual } K_c^{q+1}(M_n, \partial M_n)_r \xrightarrow{\text{dual } \psi} \text{dual } K_q(M_n)_r \simeq K^q(M_n)_r$, and similarly for $\bar{\psi}^*$, and $\psi^e = \varinjlim_n \psi^*$ is actually an isomorphism (see [3]). One sees

that both ψ and $\bar{\psi}$ are induced by ψ^e . Our aim is to improve the initial arbitrary choice of X_n, \hat{X}_n in the mapping cylinder X of $M \xrightarrow{f} X$ so as to get ψ bijective. One cannot do this for X itself but one can replace X by any complex simply homotopy equivalent to X rel. M . The first step is the following.

Lemma : $\text{Ker } \psi$ and $\text{Ker } \bar{\psi}$ are finitely generated. Proof (sketched): using the results of §5, one finds an equivalence

$$\{K_c^{q+1}(M_n, \partial M_n)_r\} \xrightarrow{\cong} \{P_n\},$$

Where each P_n is projective, the image

of $P_{n+2} \rightarrow P_n$ being a direct summand P'_n . By composition with ψ

we get an equivalence $\alpha: \{K_q(M_n)\} \rightarrow \{P_{n-1}\}$ such that $\text{ker } \alpha = \text{ker } \psi$

and $\text{im } \alpha = P'_n$, which is projective. Hence $\text{ker } \alpha$ is a direct

summand. But $\text{ker } \psi$ is contained in the kernel of

$$K_q(M_{n+1})_r \rightarrow K_q(M_n)_r,$$

which is finitely generated, hence so is $\text{ker } \psi$, as direct summand. The same argument applies to $\bar{\psi}$. This shows actually that, for a subsequence, the kernel of

$$K_q(M_n)_{n-1} \xrightarrow{\psi} K_c^{q+1}(M_n, \partial M_n)_{n-1}$$

is finitely generated, and similarly for $\bar{\psi}$.

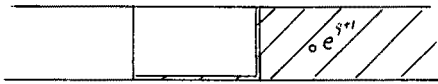
The first improvement is to replace X_n by $X_{n+1} \cup M_n$ and \dot{X}_n by $X_{n+1} \cup \dot{M}_n$ where $\dot{M}_n = \overline{M_n - M_{n+1}}$



Then, in the square

$$\begin{array}{ccc} K_c^{q+1}(M_n, \dot{M}_n) & \longrightarrow & K_c^{q+1}(M_n) \\ \psi \uparrow & & \uparrow \bar{\psi} \\ K_q(M_n) & \longrightarrow & K_q(M_n, \dot{M}_n) \end{array}$$

$\ker \psi$ and $\ker \bar{\psi}$ are finitely generated. The second improvement is to enlarge X_n inside $\overline{X_n - X_{n+1}}$ with $\overline{M_n - M_{n+2}} \cup e^{q+1}$, to kill $\ker \bar{\psi}$:



By taking the quotient map, we find $K_q(M_n, \dot{M}_n) \rightarrow K_c^{q+1}(M_n)$ injective,

and by the fundamental duality property we can reestablish ψ and the initial square (see [3]). Assuming ψ injective, we can enlarge both X_n and \dot{X}_n inside $\overline{X_{n-1} - X_n}$ with $\overline{M_{n-1} - M_{n+2}} \cup e^{q+2}$ to kill $\ker \psi$.

By taking the quotient map, we find $K_q(M_n) \xrightarrow{\psi} K_c^{q+1}(M_n, \dot{M}_n)$ injective,

and we reestablish $\bar{\psi}$ and the square by the fundamental duality property again. By using the proof of the above lemma, both $K_q(M_n)$ and $K_q(M_n, \dot{M}_n)$ are seen to be projective (ibid). Then

one can still kill the kernel of the map $K_q(\dot{M}_n)^\# \rightarrow K_q(M_n)$ where $\#$ means with $\pi_1 X_n$ -coefficients, and this will make ψ bijective

(ibid). Then the fundamental duality property implies that ψ is injective. Now, the commutative diagram of exact sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 \rightarrow & K_q(\dot{M}_n)^\# & \rightarrow & K_c^{q+1}(M_n, \dot{M}_n) & \rightarrow & K_c^{q+1}(M_n) & \\ & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & \\ 0 \rightarrow & K_q(\dot{M}_n)^\# & \rightarrow & K_q(M_n) & \rightarrow & K_q(M_n, \dot{M}_n) & \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

shows that ψ induces an isomorphism $K_q(\dot{M}_n)^\# \simeq K_q(M_n)^\#$, i.e. a non degenerated quadratic projective finitely generated $Z\pi_1 X_n$ module $\langle K_q(\dot{M}_n) \rangle$

Proposition : the quadratic form on $\langle K_q(M_n) \rangle$ so obtained satisfies the following properties :

- i) it is induced by the (degenerated) intersection form on $K_q(\partial M_r)^\#$ for some $r > n$, hence determine an element of $L_{2q}^p(\pi_1 X_n)$.
- ii) it is defined stably, and the operation of carving out a trivial proper embedded $\mathbb{R}^q \subset M$ (bounding $\mathbb{R}^{q+1} \subset M$) adds a trivial free hyperbolic module
- iii) there is a canonical equivalence between the quadratic $Z\pi_1 X_n$ -modules $\langle K_q(M_n) \rangle$ and the $Z\pi_1 X_n$ -extension of $\langle K_q(M_{n+1}) \rangle$. In other words the sequence $\langle K_q(M_n) \rangle$ is an element of $\varinjlim_n L_{2q}^p(\pi_1 X_n)$
- iv) the latter is well defined by the normal map $f: M \rightarrow X$, and is a cobordism invariant. For the proof of this proposition, we refer to [3]. As a result, we get a homomorphism σ :

$L_m(eX) \rightarrow \varinjlim_n L_{m-1}^p(\pi_1 X_n)$ for m odd. Here, $L_m(eX)$ is the group of proper "surgery data over X at ∞ ", (same definition as in [8], but use only proper h.e. at ∞ in defining 0) and satisfies actually an exact sequence

$L_m^p(\pi_1 X) \xrightarrow{\cong} L_m(X) \rightarrow L_m(eX) \rightarrow 0$, where $L_m(X)$ is the proper surgery group (see [8] for its construction).

Proposition : $\ker \sigma$ is isomorphic to $\varinjlim_n L_{2q+1}^1(\pi_1 X_n)$.

The idea of the proof is to construct a map $\varinjlim_n L_{2q+1}^1(\pi_1 X_n) \rightarrow \ker \sigma$ and an injective left inverse (see [3]).

Theorem (partial exact sequence) : for m odd, one has an exact

sequence $\prod_m \xrightarrow{1-S} L_m(\pi_1 X) \oplus \prod_m \xrightarrow{\cong} L_m(X) \xrightarrow{\sigma} \prod_{m-1}^p \xrightarrow{1-S} L_{m-1}^p(\pi_1 X) \oplus \prod_{m-1}^p$

where \prod_m is the product $\prod_{n>1} L_m(\pi_1 X_n)$, and S is the shifting map.

More precisely, $(1-S)(a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots) = (a_1^\#, a_1 - a_2^\#, a_2 - a_3^\#, \dots)$

for $a_n \in L_m(\pi_1 X_n)$, $\#$ denoting the homomorphisms

$$L_m(\pi_1 X) \leftarrow L_m(\pi_1 X_1) \leftarrow L_m(\pi_1 X_2) \leftarrow \dots$$

Proof : observe that $\ker(1-S)$ is the subgroup of $\varinjlim_n L_{m-1}^D(\pi_1 X_n)$ vanishing in $L_{m-1}^D(\pi_1 X)$. The range of σ is in $\ker(1-S)$ by the proof of iii in prop. above, replacing $\langle K_q(M_n) \rangle$ by ϕ and $\langle K_q(M_{n+1}) \rangle$ by the $\pi_1 X$ -extension of $\langle K_q(M_n) \rangle$. The exactness $\text{Im} \sigma = \ker(1-S)$ is seen by constructing a cobordism between $N \xrightarrow{1} N$ and a proper h.e. $N' \rightarrow N$, where N is an open $2q$ -manifold provided with a 1-equivalence $N \rightarrow X$. The various map τ are also constructed by cobordism on a $2q$ -manifold, and $\tau_o(1-S)$ vanishes. Hence we get induced maps τ satisfying the commutative diagram of exact sequences

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \varinjlim_n L_m(\pi_1 X_n) & \rightarrow & L_m(\pi_1 X) & \rightarrow & L_m(X) & \rightarrow & L_m(eX) \rightarrow 0 \\ & & & & \uparrow \sigma & & \\ \varinjlim_n L_m(\pi_1 X_n) & \rightarrow & L_m(\pi_1 X) & \rightarrow & \text{Coker}(1-S) & \rightarrow & \varinjlim_n L_m(\pi_1 X_n) \rightarrow 0 \\ & & & & \uparrow \bar{\tau} & & \uparrow \bar{\tau} \end{array}$$

By the latter proposition, the right $\bar{\tau}$ is injective, hence so is the middle one. This proves the exactness $\text{Ker } \tau = \text{Im}(1-S)$. We also know that $\sigma_o \tau = 0$. The exactness $\text{Ker } \sigma = \text{Im } \tau$ is a result of the above diagram

9. The case $m=2q+2$, M open

Assuming the preliminary surgery already done, we are left (as in the case m odd) with only one inverse system $\{K_{q+1}(M_n)_r\}$ and one direct system $\{K_{q+1}(M_n, \partial M_n)_r\}$ not equivalent to 0. Following Wall's idea for the compact case, we want to consider the surgery data $M \xrightarrow{f} X$ as the union of two surgery cobordisms $M^o \cup V \rightarrow X^o \cup H$ along their common boundary $U \rightarrow \partial H$.

Lemma (see [8 chap.II th.3]) : X has the simple homotopy type of a CW-complex $X_{\partial H}^0 \cup H$, where H is a locally finite m -handlebody of 0 and 1-handles. Actually, H is a regular ngbd of a tree in R^m , with 1-handles attached.

Proposition : assuming X of the above form, one can find a codimension 0-submanifold V of M such that, if $M^0 = \overline{M-V}$, $f(M^0) \subset X^0$ and $f(V) \subset H$ up to a proper homotopy of f . Actually, V is a locally finite handlebody of 1, q and $q+1$ -handles, formed by a regular ngbd of the union of immersed spheres $S^{q+1} \rightarrow M$ piped to \ast .

The proof relies on the same geometrical arguments than [8].

We refer to this as a Mayer-Vietoris decomposition of $M \xrightarrow{f} X$.

Actually, the ngbd of \ast in ∂H , resp ∂V , can be chosen such that

their frontier $\partial \dot{H}_n$, resp $\partial \dot{V}_n$, is S^{2q} , resp $S^q \times S^q$, and

$f(\partial \dot{V}_n) \subset \partial \dot{H}_n$. This implies that $K_q(\partial \dot{V}_n)$ is a free hyperbolic module

(with the intersection form). Then we can modify the choices of the ngbd of $\ast : X_n^0$ in X^0 , and the choice of \dot{X}_n^0 , as in the proof of

iv in the first prop. of §8 to get $K_q(\dot{M}_n^0)$ as a projective

Lagrangian plane in $K_q(\partial \dot{V}_n)$. This determines an element of

$L_{2q+1}^p(\pi_1 X_n)$ and we have results similar to those in §8, with m

replaced by $m+1$.

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