

Wardism hypothesis

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Recall: 1-d TFT: $Z: \text{ Bord } \text{cob}_1^{\text{or}} \rightarrow \text{Vect}_{\mathbb{C}}$

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0-mnfd $\mapsto$ vector space
1-mnfd $\mapsto$ linear maps

$$Z(pt_-) \simeq Z(pt_+)^*$$

Wardism hypothesis: Z being determined by $Z(pt_+)$ is quite common, i.e., cob_n^{fr} is freely generated by a single pt.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Fun}^{\otimes}(\text{cob}_n^{\text{fr}}, \mathbb{C}) &\longrightarrow (\mathbb{C}^{\text{fd}})^{\sim} \\ Z &\longmapsto Z(pt) \end{aligned}$$

Wardism hypothesis $\leadsto$ this is an equivalence.

~~2-morphism~~ Informally, $\mathbb{C}^{\text{fd}}$ is the subcategory of the (∞, n) -category $\mathcal{C}$ s.t. objects in $\mathbb{C}^{\text{fd}}$ have duals, all k -morphisms have adjoints

$$\begin{aligned} (\infty, n)\text{-category} &\leadsto 2\text{-category} \\ \mathcal{C} &\longmapsto h_2 \mathcal{C} \end{aligned}$$

$h_2 \mathcal{C}$:
objects = objects of $\mathcal{C}$
1-mor = 1-mor of $\mathcal{C}$

2-mor = 2-mor up to $\textcircled{\text{iso}}$ (not equivalent) $\{ \text{-ence} \}$

We say $\mathcal{C}$ has adjoints ~~if $h_2 \mathcal{C}$~~ for 1-mor if

$h_2 \mathcal{C}$ does. For $2 \leq k \leq n-1$, we say that $\mathcal{C}$ has

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adjoints for $(k-1)$ -morphisms if the $(\infty, n-1)$ -category $\text{Map}_c(X, Y)$ has adjoints for $(k-1)$ -morphisms

$O(n) \rightarrow \text{Bord}_n^{\text{str}} \leadsto (c^{\text{fd}})^{\sim}$ has an $O(n)$ -action

A G -structure on a manifold M^n is a map $p: G \rightarrow O(n)$ and a reduction of the structure group of the tangent frame bundle to G .

Examples

- $G = SO(n)$, a G -str. is an orientation
- $G = e$, a G -str. is an n -framing
- $G = O(n)$, a G -str. is no structure at all.

Remark

$X^{hG} = \text{homotopy fixed pts.}$

$$= \text{Maps}_G(EG, X)$$

$\leadsto$ have cobordism hypothesis

$$\text{fun}^{\otimes}(\text{Bord}_n^G, e) \rightarrow ((c^{\text{fd}})^{\sim})^{hG}$$