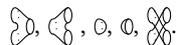


Sheet 13

Problem 1. Let $\mathbf{0}$ denote the empty 1-manifold, $\mathbf{1}$ a fixed oriented circle and \mathbf{n} the disjoint union n circle $\mathbf{1}$. We consider $\text{Cob}'(2)$ the full sub category of $\text{Cob}(2)$ where objects are $\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}, \dots$

1. Prove that $\text{Cob}'(2)$ and $\text{Cob}(2)$ are equivalent as monoidal categories.
2. Remark that the category $\text{Cob}'(2)$ is strict monoidal. We admit that the category $\text{Cob}'(2)$ is generated as a strict monoidal category by the following morphisms: . What does mean *generated as a monoidal category*?
3. We admit that the diffeomorphism type of a connected oriented surface is characterized by the number of component of its boundary and its genus. We admit as well that a connected cobordism from \mathbf{m} to \mathbf{n} has a unique representation of the form: How to interpret this surface whenever $m = 0$ or $n = 0$?

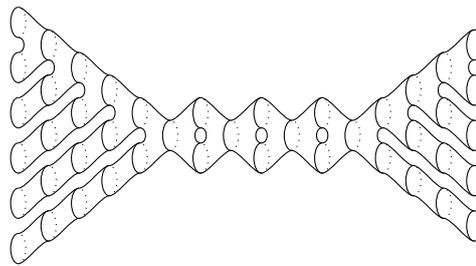


Figure 1: Example for $m = 6, n = 5$ and $g = 3$.

4. What does mean for a strict monoidal category to be presented by generators and relations?
5. Proves that $\text{Cob}'(2)$ is presented by the relations given on figures 2 to 7.

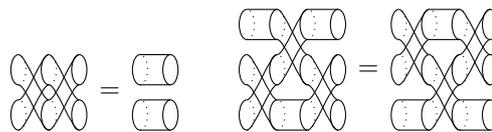


Figure 2: Braid-like relations.



Figure 3: Twist and unit or counit.

6. Let $\mathcal{F} : \text{Cob}'(2) \rightarrow \text{Vect}_{\mathbb{K}}$ be a TQFT. Prove that $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{1})$ has a natural structure of Frobenius algebra.
7. Prove on the other hand that if A is a Frobenius algebra, this defines a $(1 + 1)$ -TFT.

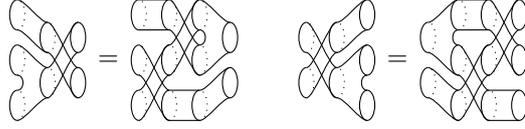


Figure 4: Twist and pair of pants.

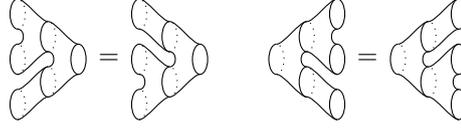


Figure 5: Associativity and coassociativity



Figure 6: Unity and counity

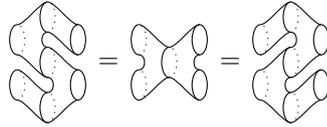


Figure 7: Frobenius-like relations

8. Prove that if

$$\mathcal{F} \left(\text{pair of pants with pair of pants on top} \right) = 0,$$

then

$$\mathcal{F} \left(\text{pair of pants with pair of pants on bottom} \right) = 0.$$

Prove that the same holds for $\left(\text{pair of pants with pair of pants on top} \right)^k$ for any integer k .

Problem 2. Let A be a commutative Frobenius algebra and $F_A : \text{Cob}(2) \rightarrow \text{vect}_{\mathbb{K}}$ the TFT that sends the generators of $\text{Cob}(2)$ to the corresponding structure morphisms of A . We denote the closed surface of genus g by Σ_g .

1. Show that the \mathbb{K} -linear map $\omega : A \rightarrow A$ defined by $\mu\Delta$ is an A -bimodule homomorphism, where we consider A as the bimodule with action given by left and right multiplication.
2. Show that there is an element $w \in A$ such that $\omega(a) = wa = aw$ for all $a \in A$.
3. Compute $F(\Sigma_g) \in \mathbb{K}$ for every $g \in \mathbb{N}$.

Problem 3. Let G be a finite group (and hence endowed with the discrete topology) and M be a manifold (with or without boundary). A *principal G -bundle* over M is a smooth manifold X with a right G -action (by smooth maps) and a map smooth map $\pi : X \rightarrow M$ such that:

For all point m in M there exists a neighborhood U of m , such that $\phi_U : \pi^{-1}(U) \simeq U \times G$ and the following

diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \pi^{-1}(U) & \xrightarrow{\phi_U} & U \times G \\
 \pi \downarrow & \swarrow p_U & \\
 U & &
 \end{array}$$

where p_U is the projection on the first coordinate. We require as well that all the maps are compatible with the action of G where G acts by multiplication on G and trivially on U .

Two principal G -bundle (X, π) and (X', π') are isomorphic if there exists a diffeomorphism $\psi : X \rightarrow X'$ which commutes with the G -action and such that $\pi' \circ \psi = \pi$.

1. Find two non-isomorphic $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ -bundle of the circle \mathbb{S}^1 . Find three non-isomorphic $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ -bundle of the circle \mathbb{S}^1 . Find 6 non-isomorphic $\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$ -bundle of the circle \mathbb{S}^1 .
2. Suppose that M is connexe. Prove that there is a bijection:

$$\{\text{principal } G\text{-bundle of } M\}/\text{isomorphisms} \simeq \text{hom}(\pi_1(M), G)/G.$$

where G acts by conjugation. Let us recall that the fundamental group of a compact manifold is always finitely presented¹

3. We consider the category $\text{Cob}(n+1)$. If M is a closed n -manifold, we set:

$$\mathcal{F}(M) = \mathbb{K}\{\text{principal } G\text{-bundle of } M\}/\text{isomorphisms}$$

and if $W : M_1 \rightarrow M_2$ is a cobordism between M_1 and M_2 two n -manifolds, we set:

$$\mathcal{F}(W)([X_1]) = \sum_{[X_2] \in \{\text{principal } G\text{-bundle of } M_2\}/\sim} \sum_{\substack{[X] \in \{\text{principal } G\text{-bundle of } W_2\}/\sim \\ \text{with } [X] \text{ induces } [X_1] \text{ on } M_1 \\ \text{and } [X] \text{ induces } [X_2] \text{ on } M_2}} \frac{[X_2]}{|\text{Aut}(X)|}$$

Prove that this defines a functor. Is it monoidal?

¹This follows from the fact that any compact manifold can be given a structure of finite CW-complex.