

Surgery on Closed Manifolds

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Theorem (0.1): ($n \geq 4$) Let $(f: N^n \rightarrow M^n, \hat{f})$ be a surgery problem where M^n is a closed, oriented manifold with $\pi_1 M$ finite. Then,

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (f \times \text{Id}_{S^1}, \hat{f} \times \text{Id}_{\nu S^1}) \\
 \text{is normal cobordant } \Leftrightarrow \\
 \text{to a homotopy} \\
 \text{equivalence}
 \end{array}
 \left\{ \begin{array}{l}
 \text{index } N = \text{index } M, \text{ when } n \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\
 \text{always}, \text{ when } n \equiv 1 \pmod{4} \\
 \text{Arf}(f, \hat{f}) = 0, \text{ when } n \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \\
 \text{Arf}_\mu(f, \hat{f}) = 0, \text{ when } n \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \\
 \text{for all nontrivial} \\
 \text{homomorphisms} \\
 \mu: \pi \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2
 \end{array} \right.$$

$\text{Arf}_\mu(f, \hat{f}) = \text{Arf}(f_\mu: N_\mu^{n-1} \rightarrow M_\mu^{n-1}, \hat{f}_\mu)$, where (f_μ, \hat{f}_μ) is the sub-surgery problem of (f, \hat{f}) which is induced via transversality by the map $M^n \rightarrow B\pi_1 M \xrightarrow{B\mu} B\mathbb{Z}_2 = \mathbb{R}P^\infty$.

Also, we can show

Theorem (0.2): For any closed manifold P^n with finite π_1 and index = 0,

$(f: M^8 \rightarrow S^8, \hat{f}) \times (\text{Id}_P, \text{Id}_{\nu P})$ is normally cobordant to a homotopy equivalence - (where $(f, \hat{f}) = \text{Milnor surgery problem with index 8}$).

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Section 1:

For any closed, compact, oriented manifold M with $\pi_1 M \cong \pi$, we have the Sullivan-Wall structure sequence

$$[\Sigma M, G/TOP] \xrightarrow{\Theta} L_{n+1}^S(\mathbb{Z}\pi) \rightarrow S(M) \rightarrow [M, G/TOP] \xrightarrow{\sigma} L_n^S(\mathbb{Z}\pi)$$

There are also defined "intermediate" Wall groups $L_*^X(\mathbb{Z}\pi)$ where $x \in \tilde{K}_0(\mathbb{Z}\pi)$ or $\{\pi\} \subset x \subset \tilde{K}_1(\mathbb{Z}\pi)$ is an involution invariant subgroup (see [R]). There is a homomorphism $L_*^S(\mathbb{Z}\pi) \rightarrow L_*^X(\mathbb{Z}\pi)$ so we get maps

$$\sigma^X: [M, G/TOP] \rightarrow L_n^X(\mathbb{Z}\pi) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\theta^X: [\Sigma M, G/TOP] \rightarrow L_{n+1}^X(\mathbb{Z}\pi)$$

It follows from work of Quinn-Ranicki that there is a homomorphism

$$A^X: \oplus_{i \equiv 1 \pmod{2}} H_{n-4i}(B\pi; \mathbb{Z}_{(2)}) \oplus \oplus_{i \equiv 0 \pmod{2}} H_{n-4i-2}(B\pi; \mathbb{Z}/2) \rightarrow L_n^X(\mathbb{Z}\pi)_{(2)}$$

where $()_{(2)}$ denotes localization at 2, such that the 2 localizations of σ^X and θ^X are given by composing A^X with a certain characteristic class formula that we worked out in [T-W]. We wrote out the one for σ^X (formula 1.7): to get the one for θ^X use the same formula but replace $[M]$ by the homology suspension of the fundamental class. Indeed, given any compact, oriented manifold with bounding, W^n , we get a formula for the map $[W/\partial W, G/TOP] \rightarrow L_n(\mathbb{Z}\pi)$: replace $[M]$ with $[W, \partial W]$ in (1.7)*

*Care is needed in [T-W]. The Wu class referred to there is the Morgan-Sullivan Wu class, [M-S] p. 480-81. It is the inverse of the Wu class defined in Milnor-Stasheff [Mi-S] 11.14. In particular, some of the polynomials on [M-S] p. 481 are incorrect.

Recall that Wall ([W2]) has shown that $L_n^x(\mathbb{Z}\pi) \rightarrow L_n^x(\mathbb{Z}\pi)_{(2)}$ is 1-1 for π finite.

Periodicity implies that A^x factors as

$$\bigoplus_i (H_{n-4i}(\pi, \mathbb{Z}_{(2)}) \oplus H_{n-4i-2}(\pi, \mathbb{Z}/2)) \xrightarrow{\bigoplus \mathcal{J}_{n-4i} \oplus \mathcal{K}_{n-4i-2}} \bigoplus_i L_{n-4i}^x(\mathbb{Z}\pi)_{(2)} \xrightarrow{+} L_n^x(\mathbb{Z}\pi)_{(2)}$$

\mathcal{J}_* and \mathcal{K}_* are determined by the surgery obstructions of certain very special surgery problems. To be more specific, let $M^8 \rightarrow S^8$ denote the 8-dimensional Milnor surgery problem, and let $K^3 \rightarrow L^3$ denote the twisted Kervaire problem, i.e. the generator of $L_3(\mathbb{Z}e; \mathbb{Z}/2)$. Define homomorphisms

$$\alpha_n^x : \Omega_n(B\pi) \rightarrow L_{n+8}^x(\mathbb{Z}\pi)$$

$$\beta_n^x : \Omega_n(B\pi; \mathbb{Z}/2) \rightarrow L_{n+2}^x(\mathbb{Z}\pi)$$

by $\alpha_n^x(P)$ is the surgery obstruction for $M^8 \times P \rightarrow S^8 \times P$ and $\beta_n^x(P)$ is the surgery obstruction for the surgery problem induced along the bockstein of $K^3 \otimes P \rightarrow L^3 \otimes P$. (See [M-S]).

The map \mathcal{J}_n^x is determined by α_n^x and the \mathcal{J}_r^x for $r < n$. The map \mathcal{K}_n^x is determined by β_n^x and the \mathcal{K}_r^x and \mathcal{J}_r^x for $r < n$.

The precise relation between the α 's and the \mathcal{J} 's is supplied by (1.7) in [T-W]: to wit, if $g: P \rightarrow B\pi$,

$$\alpha_n^x(P) = \sum \mathcal{J}_{n-4i} \mathcal{E}_*(\mathcal{L}_P \cap [P])$$

where \mathfrak{L} is the Morgan-Sullivan \mathfrak{L} class [M-S]. With a bit more work, one can show

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_n^x(P) &= \sum \kappa_{n-4i} \mathfrak{E}_* (V_P^2 \cap [P]) \\ &\quad + \sum \mathfrak{J}_{n-4i-2} \mathfrak{E}_* (\delta(V_P S_q^1 V_P \cap [P])) \end{aligned}$$

where δ denotes the bockstein $0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{(2)} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{(2)} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow 0$ and V_P denotes the total Wu class of the oriented tangent bundle to P .

Theorem (0.1) follows from Ranicki's product formula

$L_{n+1}^h(\mathbb{Z}(\pi \times \mathbb{Z})) \cong L_n^p(\mathbb{Z}\pi) \oplus L_{n+1}^h(\mathbb{Z}\pi)$ (see [RI]), plus the following result.

Theorem 1.1. Assume π is finite.

(a) \mathfrak{J}_0^p is 1-1

(b) For $j > 0$, $\mathfrak{J}_j^p \overline{cl}_1(\pi)$ is trivial, where

$$cl_1(\pi) = \ker(\tilde{K}_1(\mathbb{Z}\pi) \rightarrow \tilde{K}_1(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}\pi) \oplus \tilde{K}_1(\mathbb{Q}\pi)) \text{ and } \overline{cl}_1(\pi) = \{cl_1(\pi), \pm \pi\}.$$

(c) κ_0^p and κ_1^p are 1-1.

(d) For $j > 1$, κ_j^p is trivial.

Theorem (0.2) follows from (1.1)(b).

We can improve on 1.1 for some groups.

Theorem 1.2. Let π be a finite group whose 2 Sylow group is abelian. Then

- (a) \mathfrak{J}_j^s is trivial for $j > 0$
- (b) \mathfrak{K}_j^h is trivial for $j > 2$
- (c) \mathfrak{K}_j^s is trivial for $j > 3$

Remarks: (i) The result for \mathfrak{K}^h is due to Morgan-Pardon, but the s result seems new.

(ii) See Theorem 4.1 for results on generalized quaternionic and semi-dihedral groups.

(iii) Using results of Quillen [Q] and the naturality of the \mathfrak{J} , and \mathfrak{K} , one can prove the same result for the dihedral groups; the symmetric and alternating groups; and many others.

(iv) When we sketch the proof of 1.2 we will also determine \mathfrak{K}_2^h .

Section 2:

Following Wall ([WI], Theorem 12) it is easy to reduce Theorem 1.1 to the result for finite 2-groups.

Relative Detection Theorem 2.1: If π is a finite 2-group, then

$$(a) \quad K_i(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2\pi) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\substack{\text{special} \\ \text{subquotients} \\ G}} K_i(\mathbb{Z}G \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2G) \text{ is 1-1 for all } i.$$

$$(b) \quad L_i^{Cl_\epsilon(\pi) \rightarrow 0}(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2\pi) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\substack{\text{special} \\ \text{subquotients} \\ G}} L_i^{Cl_\epsilon(\pi) \rightarrow 0}(\mathbb{Z}G \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2G) \text{ is 1-1}$$

for all i and $\epsilon = 0$ or 1 .

$$(Cl_\epsilon(\pi) = \ker \tilde{K}_\epsilon(\mathbb{Z}\pi) \rightarrow \tilde{K}_\epsilon(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2\pi) \oplus \tilde{K}_\epsilon(\mathbb{Q}\pi))$$

Remarks:

1. A subquotient of π is a quotient group $G = H/N$ where $H =$ subgroup of π .
2. A 2-group G is special if all normal abelian subgroups of G are cyclic. A special group is either cyclic, generalized quaternionic, dihedral, or semi-dihedral.
3. The maps in (2.1) are compositions of restriction maps associated to subgroups $H \subset \pi$ and projection maps associated to quotients $H \rightarrow H/N = G$.

$$4. \quad L_i^{Cl_1(\mathbb{Z}\pi) \rightarrow 0}(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2\pi) = L_i^{\overline{Cl_1}(\mathbb{Z}\pi) \rightarrow \{\pm\pi\}}(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2\pi) \\ \approx L_i^{SK_1 \rightarrow SK_1}(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2\pi) = \mathfrak{L}_i^{SK_1 \rightarrow SK_1}(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2\pi)$$

where \mathfrak{L}_i = the L-groups defined by Wall in [W2]. $L_i^x \neq \mathfrak{L}_i^x$ in general (see [W2] Section 5.4).

$$5. \quad L_i^{Cl_0(\mathbb{Z}\pi) \rightarrow 0}(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2\pi) = L_i^p(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2\pi).$$

6. Theorem 2.1 was motivated by the calculations of Wall [W2], Section (5.2), Carlsson-Milgram [C-M], Pardon [P], Bak-Kolster [K1], [B-K], [K2], and especially Milgram-Hambleton [M-H].

Theorem 1.1 (b) is reduced to the result for special 2-groups as follows:

A is induced by a map of spectra \underline{A} which fits into a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \underline{L}(\mathbb{Z}) \wedge B\pi^+ & \xrightarrow{\underline{A}} & \underline{L}(\mathbb{Z}\pi) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \underline{L}(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2) \wedge B\pi^+ & \xrightarrow{\underline{A}_2} & \underline{L}(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2\pi) \end{array}$$

If we localize at (2), then $\underline{L}(\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \underline{L}(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2)$ is equivalent to

$$\pi K(\mathbb{Z}_{(2)}; 4i) \times \pi K(\mathbb{Z}/2; 4i+2) \xrightarrow{\text{project}} \pi K(\mathbb{Z}/2; 4i+2) \xleftarrow{\text{include}} \pi K(\mathbb{Z}/2; 4i+2) \\ \pi K(\mathbb{Z}/2; 4i+1)$$

This implies that \mathfrak{J}_j^x lifts to a map

$$\tilde{\mathfrak{J}}_j^x : H_j(\pi, \mathbb{Z}_{(2)}) \rightarrow L_{j+1}^x(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2\pi)_{(2)} \text{ for all } x.$$

Apply Theorem 2.1 with $\epsilon = 1$ and $x = \overline{\text{Cl}}_1 \rightarrow 0$.

Theorem 1.1(d) is reduced to the result for 2-groups by the following theorem.

Absolute Detection Theorem 2.2 : If π is a finite 2-group, then

$$L_i^p(\mathbb{Z}\pi) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\substack{\text{special} \\ \text{subquotients}}} L_i^p(\mathbb{Z}G) \text{ is 1-1.}$$

The proof of (2.2) relies on Wall's reduction theorem which implies that $L_i^p(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2\pi) \cong L_i^p(\mathbb{Z}/2)$.

Section 3: Proof of the Relative Detection Theorem

$\pi =$ finite 2-group

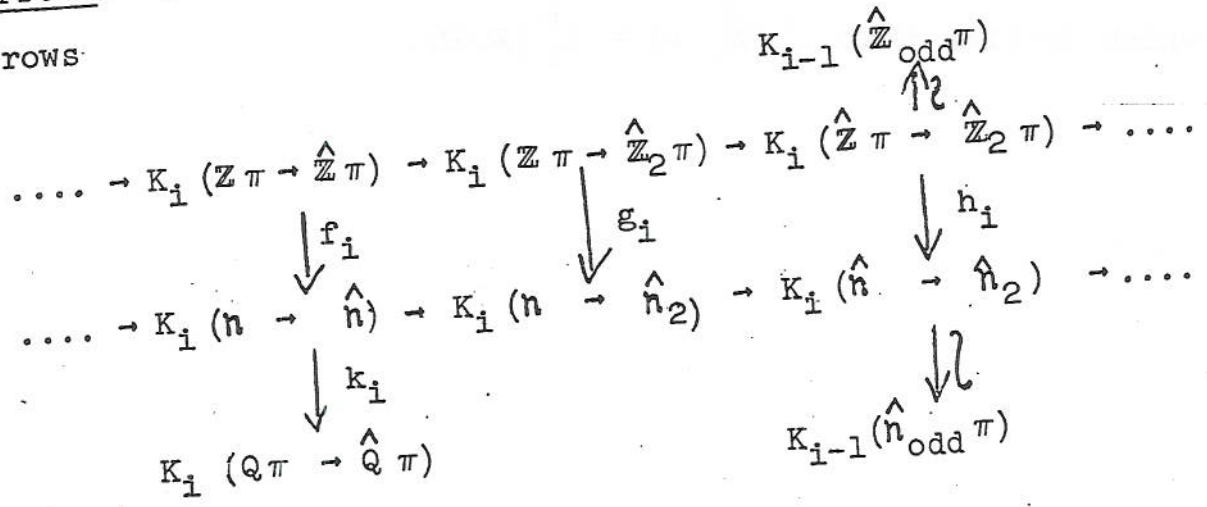
$\mathbb{Q}\pi = \times_{\rho} A_{\rho}$, where ρ varies over the \mathbb{Q} -irreducible representations of π and $A_{\rho} =$ simple \mathbb{Q} -algebra.

Let $n_{\rho} = \text{image} (\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}\pi \rightarrow A_{\rho})$, $n = \times_{\rho} n_{\rho}$. n_{ρ} is a \mathbb{Z} -order of A_{ρ} .

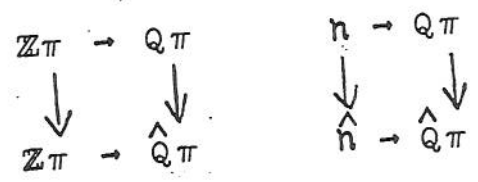
Proposition 3.1

$$K_i(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2\pi) \simeq K_i(n \rightarrow \hat{n}_2) \simeq \bigoplus_{\rho} K_i(n_{\rho} \rightarrow \hat{n}_{\rho(2)})$$

Proof: Consider the following commutative diagram with exact rows



The Meyer-Vietoris sequences associated to the arithmetic squares



imply that f_i , $k_i \circ f_i$ and k_i are isomorphisms. Since π is a

2-group, $\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_{\text{odd}} \pi$ is a maximal $\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_{\text{odd}}$ - order (see [Re]),
 $\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_{\text{odd}} \pi = \hat{n}_{(\text{odd})}$, and h_i is an isomorphism. Apply the 5-lemma.

Let

$$K_i^f(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2 \pi) = \bigoplus_{\rho} K_i(n_{\rho} \rightarrow \hat{n}_{\rho(2)})$$

faithful

$$K_i^u(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2 \pi) = \bigoplus_{\rho} K_i(n_{\rho} \rightarrow \hat{n}_{\rho(2)})$$

unfaithful

Proposition 3.2 :

(a) $K_i^f(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2 \pi) \hookrightarrow K_i(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2 \pi) \rightarrow K_i(\pi/N \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2 \pi/N)$ is a trivial map, for any proper normal subgroup N.

(b) $K_i^u(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2 \pi) \hookrightarrow K_i(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2 \pi) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{N \triangleleft \pi} K_i(\mathbb{Z}\pi/N \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2 \pi/N)$ is 1-1.

Proposition 3.3 : Assume π is a 2-group which is not special.

Then π contains an index 2 subgroup π_0 such that

(a) For any \mathbb{Q} -irreducible faithful representative ρ of π ,
 $\rho|_{\pi_0} = \rho_1 + \rho_2$ where ρ_1 and ρ_2 are nonisomorphic
 \mathbb{Q} -irreducible representations.

(b) $\rho_1^{\pi} = \rho_2^{\pi} = \rho$, and

(c) $K_i^f(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2 \pi) \hookrightarrow K_i(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2 \pi) \rightarrow K_i(\mathbb{Z}\pi_0 \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2 \pi_0)$
 is 1-1.

Theorem 2.1 (a) then follows from (3.2) and (3.3) by induction on the order of π . The proof of 2.1 (b) is similar.

In particular,

$$L_i^{cl_0(\pi) \rightarrow 0}(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2\pi) \cong \bigoplus_{\rho} L_i^{\tilde{K}_0(n_\rho) \rightarrow I_\rho}(n_\rho \rightarrow \hat{n}_\rho(2)).$$

$$\text{where } I_\rho = \text{image } (\tilde{K}_0(n_\rho) \rightarrow \tilde{K}_0(\hat{n}_\rho(2))).$$

and

$$L_i^{cl_1(\pi) \rightarrow 0}(\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2\pi) \cong \bigoplus_{\rho} L_i^{SK_1 \rightarrow SK_1}(n_\rho \rightarrow \hat{n}_\rho(2)).$$

Section 4 : Special 2-Groups

Theorem 4.1

(a) If π is a special 2-group and $j > 0$, then

$\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_j^1$ and \mathcal{J}_j^s are trivial.

(b) If π is cyclic or dihedral, then $\kappa_j^s = 0$ for $j > 1$.

If π is quaternionic, then $\kappa_j^s = 0$ for $j \neq 0, 1, 3$ and $\kappa_3^p = 0$.

If π is semi-dihedral, then $\kappa_j^p = 0$ for $j > 1$.

Remark : Cappell and Shaneson [C-S] have shown that $\kappa_3^h \neq 0$ when $\pi =$ quaternion group.

The following result of Oliver [O] is used to improve $\overline{\text{Cl}}_1$ -results to s-results.

Theorem 4.2: If π is a special 2-group, then $\text{Cl}_1(\pi)$ is trivial.

For the proof of 4.1 (b) we need to analyze what happens to κ_j under products.

For any pair of groups π_1 and π_2 , we get a pairing of spectra

$$\mu : \underline{L}_0(\mathbb{Z}\pi_1) \wedge \underline{L}^0(\mathbb{Z}\pi_2) \rightarrow \underline{L}_0(\mathbb{Z}(\pi_1 \times \pi_2)) \text{ (see [R])}$$

such that the following diagram commutes

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (\underline{L}_0(\mathbb{Z}) \wedge B\pi_1^+) \wedge (\underline{L}^0(\mathbb{Z}) \wedge B\pi_2^+) & \cong \underline{L}_0(\mathbb{Z}) \wedge \underline{L}^0(\mathbb{Z}) \wedge B(\pi_1 \times \pi_2)^+ & \xrightarrow{\mu \wedge \text{id}} \underline{L}_0(\mathbb{Z}) \wedge (B\pi_1 \times \pi_2)^+ \\
 \downarrow A_* \wedge A^* & & \downarrow A_* \\
 \underline{L}_0(\mathbb{Z}\pi_1) \wedge \underline{L}^0(\mathbb{Z}\pi_2) & \xrightarrow{\mu} & \underline{L}_0(\mathbb{Z}(\pi_1 \times \pi_2))
 \end{array}$$

If we introduce coefficients by doing surgery on $\mathbb{Z}/2$ -manifolds, then we get an analogous diagram.

By using the techniques of [T-W], one can analyse

$$\mu : \underline{L}_0(\mathbb{Z}; \mathbb{Z}/2) \wedge \underline{L}^0(\mathbb{Z}; \mathbb{Z}/2) \rightarrow \underline{L}_0(\mathbb{Z}; \mathbb{Z}/2)$$

localized at 2. This yields the following commutative diagram.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H_i(\pi_1; \mathbb{Z}/2) \times H_j(\pi_2; \mathbb{Z}/2) & \rightarrow & H_{i+j}(\pi_1 \times \pi_2; \mathbb{Z}/2) \\
 \downarrow \bar{\kappa}_i \times \mathcal{J}^j(\mathbb{Z}/2) & & \downarrow \bar{\kappa}_{i+j} \\
 L_{i+2}(\mathbb{Z}\pi_1; \mathbb{Z}/2)_{(2)} \times L^j(\mathbb{Z}\pi_2; \mathbb{Z}/2)_{(2)} & \rightarrow & L_{i+j+2}(\pi_1 \times \pi_2; \mathbb{Z}/2)_{(2)}
 \end{array}$$

where $\mathcal{J}^j(\mathbb{Z}/2)$ is induced by

$$K(\mathbb{Z}/2; 0) \wedge B\pi_2^+ \hookrightarrow L^0(\mathbb{Z}; \mathbb{Z}/2)_{(2)} \wedge B\pi_2^+ \xrightarrow{A^*} \underline{L}^0(\mathbb{Z}\pi_2; \mathbb{Z}/2)_{(2)}$$

$\bar{\kappa}_i = \kappa_i$ reduced mod 2.

Action by the Center

Suppose C is the center of a group π , then multiplication $\alpha : C \times \pi \rightarrow \pi$ is a homomorphism which induces a map $B\alpha : B(C \times \pi) \rightarrow B\pi$ plus a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \underline{L}_0(\mathbb{Z}; \mathbb{Z}/2) \wedge B(C \times \pi)^+ & \xrightarrow{\text{id} \wedge B\alpha^+} & \underline{L}_0(\mathbb{Z}; \mathbb{Z}/2) \wedge B\pi^+ \\
 \downarrow A_* & & \downarrow A_* \\
 \underline{L}_0(C \times \pi; \mathbb{Z}/2) & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & \underline{L}_0(\mathbb{Z}\pi; \mathbb{Z}/2)
 \end{array}$$

4.5

If we combine 4.4 and 4.5, then we get the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H_i(C; \mathbb{Z}/2) \times H_j(\pi; \mathbb{Z}/2) & \xrightarrow{\alpha_*} & H_{i+j}(\pi; \mathbb{Z}/2) \\
 \downarrow \bar{\chi} \times \rho^j(\mathbb{Z}/2) & & \downarrow \bar{\chi}_{i+j} \\
 L_{i+2}(\mathbb{Z}C; \mathbb{Z}/2) \times L_{j+2}(\mathbb{Z}\pi; \mathbb{Z}/2) & \xrightarrow{\alpha_*} & L_{i+j+2}(\mathbb{Z}\pi; \mathbb{Z}/2)
 \end{array}$$

4.6

The proof of 4.1 also involves the following result.

Theorem 4.7 : If π is a special 2-group, then there is an exact sequence

$$\tilde{K}_0 \xrightarrow{I_\phi} L_{i+1}^{P_\phi}(\hat{n}_\phi \hat{n}_\phi(2)) \rightarrow L_i^P(\mathbb{Z}\pi) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\substack{\text{proper} \\ \text{special} \\ \text{subquotients}}} L_i^P(\mathbb{Z}G)$$

where ϕ is the unique faithful, \mathbb{Q} -irreducible representation of π , and $I_\phi = \text{Image} : (\tilde{K}_0(n_\phi) \rightarrow \tilde{K}_0(\hat{n}_\phi(2)))$. Also, there is an exact sequence,

$$\overline{Cl}_1^{L_i} (n_\phi \hat{n}_\phi(2)) \rightarrow \overline{Cl}_1^{L_i} (\mathbb{Z}\pi \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2\pi) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\substack{\text{proper} \\ \text{special} \\ \text{subquotients}}} \overline{Cl}_1^{L_i} (\mathbb{Z}G \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2G)$$

Proof of (4.1) when $\pi = \mathbb{Z}/2$

Facts

1. $\text{tor } L_j^{\text{Cl}_1 \rightarrow 0}(\mathbb{Z} \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2 \mathbb{Z}/2) = 0$ unless $j \equiv 1(4)$.
2. $H_{2k}(\mathbb{Z}/2, \mathbb{Z}_{(2)}) = 0$ for $k \neq 0$.
3. $L_j^S(\mathbb{Z} \mathbb{Z}/2) \xrightarrow{P_* \oplus \iota^*} L_j^S(\mathbb{Z}e) \oplus L_j^S(\mathbb{Z}e)$ is 1-1 for $j \not\equiv 3(4)$. ($P: \mathbb{Z}/2 \rightarrow e, \iota: e \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2$).
4. The Pontryagin product $\alpha_*: H_{2i}(\mathbb{Z}/2; \mathbb{Z}/2) \times H_1(\mathbb{Z}/2; \mathbb{Z}/2) \rightarrow H_{2i+1}(\mathbb{Z}/2; \mathbb{Z}/2)$ is onto. $2 L_3^S(\mathbb{Z} \mathbb{Z}/2) = 0$.

Facts 1 and 2 imply that $\tilde{J}_j^{\text{Cl}_1} = 0$ for $j > 0$. Fact 3 plus naturality of κ_j^S , imply $\kappa_j^S = 0$ for $j > 0$ and $j \not\equiv 1(4)$. Fact 4 plus commutativity of (4.6) imply $\kappa_j^S = 0$ for $j \equiv 1(4)$ and $j > 1$.

Proof of (4.1) when $\pi = D_n$, the dihedral group:

Lemma 4.8: If $A = \mathbb{Z}/2$ or $\mathbb{Z}_{(2)}$, then

$\oplus H_i(E; A) \rightarrow H_i(D_n; A)$ is onto.
 elementary
 abelian
 2-groups
 $E \subset D_n$

Proof: (See Quillen [Q], 4.6)

In Section 5, we show that for $\pi = E$, $\kappa_j^S = 0$ for $j > 1$,

and $\tilde{J}_j^{\text{Cl}_1} = 0$ for $j > 0$.

Proof of (4.1) when $\pi = \mathbb{Z}/2^i$, ($i > 1$) or SD_n :

Lemma 4.9 : If $\pi = \mathbb{Z}/2^i$ ($i > 1$) or SD_n , then
 $\text{tor } L_i(n_\phi \rightarrow \hat{n}_\phi(2)) = (0)$.

Apply (4.7). $L_*^S(\mathbb{Z} \mathbb{Z}/2^i) \rightarrow L_*^P(\mathbb{Z} \mathbb{Z}/2^i)$ is 1-1. (See [B]).

Proof of (4.1) for $\pi = Q_n$, generalized quaternionic:

Facts

1. $\text{tor } L_{j+1}^{Cl_1 \rightarrow 0}(\mathbb{Z} Q_n \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_2 Q_n) \xrightarrow{P_*} L_{j+1}^{Cl_1 \rightarrow 0}(\mathbb{Z} D_{n-1} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{Z}} D_{n-1})$ is 1-1.
 for $j \neq 1$ or 2(4). $P_*: Q_n \rightarrow Q_n/C = D_{n-1}$ (see (4.7)).
2. $H_{4l+2}(Q_n, \mathbb{Z}(2)) = 0$.
3. $\bigoplus_{\substack{\text{cyclic} \\ \text{subgroups} \\ H}} H_{4l+1}(H, \mathbb{Z}(2)) \rightarrow H_{4l+1}(Q_n, \mathbb{Z}(2))$ is onto.
4. The Pontryagin product $H_{4i}(C; \mathbb{Z}/2) \times H_\epsilon(Q_n, \mathbb{Z}/2) \rightarrow H_{4i+\epsilon}(Q_n; \mathbb{Z}/2)$
 is onto for $\epsilon \leq 3$. $2 \text{ tor } L_i^S(\mathbb{Z} Q_n) = 0$ for $i \neq 1$ (4).
5. $\text{tor } L_0^{\overline{Cl}_1}(\mathbb{Z} Q_n) = 0$
6. $L_1^P(\mathbb{Z} Q_n) \xrightarrow{P_* \oplus \iota} L_1^P(\mathbb{Z} D_{n-1}) \oplus L_1^P(\mathbb{Z} Q_{n+1})$ is 1-1
 where $P_*: Q_n \rightarrow Q_n/C = D_{n-1}$, and $\iota: Q_n \rightarrow Q_{n+1}$ is the inclusion
 map.
7. $H_{4k+3}(Q_n; \mathbb{Z}/2) \xrightarrow{\iota_*} H_{4k+3}(Q_{n+1}; \mathbb{Z}/2)$ is trivial for
 all k .
8. $H_{4k+3}(Q_n; \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H_{4k+3}(Q_n; \mathbb{Z}/2)$ is onto for all k .

Facts 1, 2, and 3 plus naturality imply $\tilde{J}_j = 0$ for $j > 0$.

Fact 4 plus the commutativity of (4.6) imply $\kappa_j^S = 0$ for $j > 3$ and $j \neq 3$ (4). Facts 4 and 8 plus the commutativity of

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H_{4k}(\mathbb{Z}/2; \mathbb{Z}/2) \times H_3(Q_n) & \xrightarrow{\alpha_*} & H_{4k+3}(Q_n; \mathbb{Z}/2) \\
 \downarrow \kappa_{4k+3}^S & & \downarrow \kappa_{4k+3}^S \\
 L_2(\mathbb{Z}; \mathbb{Z}/2)_{(2)} \times L^3(\mathbb{Z}; Q_n)_{(2)} & \xrightarrow{\alpha_*} & L_1(\mathbb{Z}; Q_n)_{(2)}
 \end{array}$$

imply $\kappa_{4k+3}^S = 0$ for $k > 0$.

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \mathcal{J}^* \text{ is induced by} \\ K(\mathbb{Z}; 0) \wedge BQ_n^+ \hookrightarrow \underline{L}^\circ(\mathbb{Z})_{(2)} \wedge BQ_n^+ \xrightarrow{A^*} \underline{L}^\circ(\mathbb{Z}; Q_n)_{(2)} \end{array} \right)$$

Fact 5 implies $\kappa_2^S = 0$.

Facts 6 and 7 imply κ_3^P is trivial.

Section 5 : Proof of Theorem 1.2

As always it suffices to assume that π is a 2-group. We first do the case of an elementary abelian 2-group,
 $E = \mathbb{Z}/2 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}/2$.

Lemma 5.1 : $\mathcal{J}_j^S : H_j(BE ; \mathbb{Z}_{(2)}) \rightarrow L_j^S(\mathbb{Z}E)_{(2)}$ is trivial for $j > 0$.

Proof: $SK_1(\mathbb{Z}E) = 0$, so 1.1 (b) proves the result.

The fact that $SK_1(\mathbb{Z}E) = 0$ shows that $L_*^S(\mathbb{Z}E) \rightarrow L_*^1(\mathbb{Z}E)$ is an isomorphism so by Wall's calculations [W2] the torsion in $L_*^S(\mathbb{Z}E)$ has exponent 2.

Lemma 5.2 : $\kappa_j^S : H_j(BE ; \mathbb{Z}/2) \rightarrow L_{j+2}^S(\mathbb{Z}E)_{(2)}$ is trivial for $j > 1$.

Proof. $H_i(B\mathbb{Z}/2 ; \mathbb{Z}/2) \otimes H_j(BE ; \mathbb{Z}/2) \rightarrow H_{i+j}(B(E \times \mathbb{Z}/2) ; \mathbb{Z}/2)$
 $\downarrow \kappa_i \times \mathcal{J}^j(\mathbb{Z}/2)$ $\downarrow \kappa_{i+j}$
 $L_{i+2}^S(\mathbb{Z}\mathbb{Z}/2 ; \mathbb{Z}/2) \otimes L^j(\mathbb{Z}E ; \mathbb{Z}/2) \rightarrow L_{i+j+2}^S(\mathbb{Z}[E \times \mathbb{Z}/2] ; \mathbb{Z}/2)$

commutes. Since the result is true for $\mathbb{Z}/2$ we can begin an induction.

Since $L_0^S(\mathbb{Z}[\mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}/2])$ is torsion-free [W2], κ_2^S must be trivial for $\mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}/2$. It is not hard to finish.

We need a generalization of a trick in Stein [S].

Lemma 5.3: Let π_1 and π_2 be finite groups and suppose the torsion in $L_*^X(\mathbb{Z}(\pi_1 \times \pi_2))$ is annihilated by $\mathbb{Z}/2^r$. Assume further that $H_*(B\pi_1; \mathbb{Z}/2^r)$ is a free $\mathbb{Z}/2^r$ module.

Then, if \mathcal{J}_j^X is trivial for $j > 0$ for π_1 and for π_2 , then \mathcal{J}_j^X is trivial for $j > 0$ and $\pi_1 \times \pi_2$.

Proof: By the universal coefficients theorem

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bigoplus_{s \geq r} \bigoplus_i H_i(B\pi_1; \mathbb{Z}/2^s) \otimes H_{n+1-i}(B\pi_2; \mathbb{Z}/2^s) & \rightarrow & \bigoplus_s H_{n+1}(B\pi_1 \times \pi_2; \mathbb{Z}/2^s) \\ & & \downarrow \beta \\ & & H_n(B(\pi_1 \times \pi_2); \mathbb{Z}(2)) \end{array}$$

is onto the torsion in H_n .

The lemma follows from the commutativity of

(see next page)

$$H_i(B\pi_1; \mathbb{Z}/2^s) \otimes H_{n+1-i}(B\pi_2; \mathbb{Z}/2^s) \longrightarrow H_n(B(\pi_1 \times \pi_2); \mathbb{Z}(2))$$

$$\downarrow \beta \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \beta$$

$$\downarrow j_n^x$$

$$H_{i-1}(B\pi_1; \mathbb{Z}(2)) \otimes H_{n+1-i}(B\pi_2; \mathbb{Z}/2^s) \oplus H_i(B\pi_1; \mathbb{Z}/2^s) \otimes H_{n-i}(B\pi_2; \mathbb{Z}(2))$$

$$\downarrow j_{i-1}^x \otimes j_{n+1-i} \oplus j_i \otimes j_{n-i}^x$$

$$L_n^x(\mathbb{Z}[\pi_1 \times \pi_2])(2)$$

$$L_{i-1}^x(\mathbb{Z}\pi_1)(2) \otimes L_{n+1-i}(\mathbb{Z}\pi_2; \mathbb{Z}/2^s) \oplus L_i^x(\mathbb{Z}\pi_1; \mathbb{Z}/2) \otimes L_{n-i}^x(\mathbb{Z}\pi_2)(2) \longrightarrow L_n^x(\mathbb{Z}[\pi_1 \times \pi_2]; \mathbb{Z}/2^s)(2)$$

Lemma 5.4 : If A is an abelian 2-group, then

$$\mathcal{J}_j^S : H_j(BA; \mathbb{Z}_{(2)}) \rightarrow L_j^S(\mathbb{Z}A) \text{ is trivial for } j > 0.$$

Proof: The lemma follows from the Stein trick (lemma 5.3) and induction on the rank of A once we observe:

- (i) the result is true if A is elementary abelian (5.1)
- (ii) by Wall [W2], $L_*^S(\mathbb{Z}A)$ has torsion of exponent at most 4.

We now take up the results for \mathcal{K}_j . To fix notation let A be our abelian group. Let $i: E \rightarrow A$ be the inclusion of the subgroup of elements of order ≤ 2 . Let $j: \mathbb{Z}^r \rightarrow A$ be a map of a free abelian group of rank $= r = \text{rank of } A$ which is onto. Then we have

$$(i) \quad \begin{array}{c} \oplus H_i(BE; \mathbb{Z}/2) \otimes H_{n-i}(B\mathbb{Z}^r; \mathbb{Z}_{(2)}) \\ \downarrow \\ H_n(BA; \mathbb{Z}/2) \end{array}$$

is onto, where the map is defined using the H-space structure of BA

$$(ii) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} H_i(BE; \mathbb{Z}/2) \otimes H_{n-i}(B\mathbb{Z}^r; \mathbb{Z}_{(2)}) & \longrightarrow & H_n(BA; \mathbb{Z}/2) \\ \downarrow \mathcal{K} \otimes \mathcal{J} & & \downarrow \mathcal{K} \\ L_{i+2}^x(\mathbb{Z}E)_{(2)} \otimes L_{n-i}^{n-i}(\mathbb{Z}[\mathbb{Z}^r])_{(2)} & \longrightarrow & L_{n+2}^x(\mathbb{Z}A)_{(2)} \end{array}$$

commutes.

An easy induction plus 5.2 shows that any $c \in H_j(BA; \mathbb{Z}/2)$ such that $\kappa_j^x(c) = 0$ must be equal to $j_*(\bar{c})$ for the unique element $\bar{c} \in H_j(B\mathbb{Z}^r; \mathbb{Z}/2)$ such that $j_*(\bar{c}) = c$.

Lemma 5.4: The maps

$$\kappa_j^i : H_j(BA; \mathbb{Z}/2) \rightarrow L_{j+2}^i(\mathbb{Z}A)_{(2)}$$

are trivial for $j > 2$.

Proof: Bak [B] shows $L_*^i(\mathbb{Z}A) \rightarrow L_*^h(\mathbb{Z}A)$ is monic so we prove the result for κ^h .

The result just above the lemma implies that it is enough to show that the problem $(T^2 \rightarrow S^2) \times T^j$ is solvable for $j > 2$ over BA.

We can write our problem as $(T^2 \rightarrow S^2) \times T^{j-1} \times S^1$ where $j-1 > 1$. Now 1.1(d) plus Ranicki's result [R1] that

$L_{j-1+2}^h(\mathbb{Z}[G]) \rightarrow L_{j+2}^h(\mathbb{Z}[G \times \mathbb{Z}])$ factors through $L_{j-1+2}^P(\mathbb{Z}[G])$ finishes the proof.

An entirely similar trick shows 1.2 (c). We now do the promised determination of κ_2 .

Theorem 5.5: The sequence

$$H_2(BE; \mathbb{Z}/2) \xrightarrow{i_*} H_2(BA; \mathbb{Z}/2) \xrightarrow{\kappa_2^h} L_0^h(\mathbb{Z}[A])$$

is exact.

Proof: Naturality of κ_2^h plus 5.2 shows that we have a zero sequence. Naturality again reduces exactness for A to exactness for $\mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}/4$.

For $\mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}/4$ the cokernel of i_* is $\mathbb{Z}/2$. Morgan-Pardon showed that $\kappa_2^h \neq 0$ by example.

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