

Intersection Forms

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Let X be a compact 4-manifold.

$$Q_X: H_2(X) \times H_2(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

$$Q_X([\Sigma_1], [\Sigma_2]) = |\Sigma_1 \cap \Sigma_2|$$

$\uparrow$ Σ_1, Σ_2 transverse.

Ex

$$\bullet S^2 \times S^2$$

$$H_2 \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$$

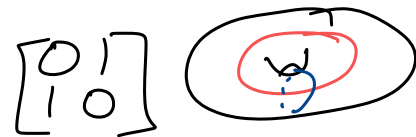
$$|A \cap A| = 0$$

$$\langle [S^2 \times \star] \rangle_A$$

$$\langle [\star \times S^2] \rangle_B$$

$$|A \cap B| = 1$$

$$|B \cap B| = 0$$



$$\bullet \mathbb{C}P^2$$

$$H_2 \cong \mathbb{Z} = \langle [\mathbb{C}P^1] \rangle$$

$$|[\mathbb{C}P^1] \cap [\mathbb{C}P^1]| = +1$$

Properties



(1) Symmetric, bilinear.

$$\begin{matrix} M^{2n} \\ H_n(M) \times H_n(M) \end{matrix}$$

(2) Intersection form vanishes on torsion elements

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : H_2(X) / \text{torsion} \times H_2(X) / \text{torsion} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

(3) If you pick a "basis" for $H_2(X) / TH_2(X)$,

$$\mathbb{Z}^{b_2(X)} \times \mathbb{Z}^{b_2(X)} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \leadsto b_2(X) \times b_2(X) \text{ integer matrix}$$

$$\left| \det([Q_X]) \right| = \text{ord}(H_1(X))$$

$\downarrow$ trivial group $\quad \downarrow$ $\downarrow$ infinite groups
 $1 \quad \quad \quad 0$

(4) if X_1, X_2 are 4-mflds with

$$\partial X_1 = Y = \partial X_2 \text{ a } \mathbb{Q}HS^3,$$

$$H_2(X; \mathbb{Q}) \cong H_2(X_1; \mathbb{Q}) \oplus H_2(X_2; \mathbb{Q}) \quad \text{i.e. } H_1(X) \text{ finite}$$

$$X = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline X_1 & -X_2 \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} H_2(X_1) / TH_2(X_1) \oplus H_2(X_2) / TH_2(X_2) \\ \hookrightarrow H_2(X) / TH_2(X) \end{array}$$

connected sum of 4-mflds $\leadsto \oplus$ of n forms.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(5) Theorem [Donaldson]

$\mathbb{Z}^4$ closed, smooth 4-manifold.

IF Q_Z is negative definite

$$Q_Z([Z], [Z]) < 0$$

for all $[Z] \neq 0$.

then there is some "basis" for $H_2(\mathbb{Z})$ s.t.

$$[Q_Z] = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & & & \\ & -1 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Cor No closed smooth 4-manifold has E_8 as its

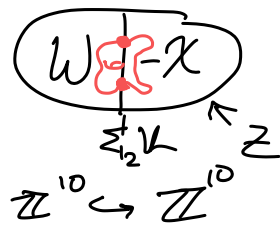
Strategy WTS some knot K isn't slice.

Step 1: Find W s.t. $\Sigma_2^1 K = \partial W^4$, Q_W neg. def

Step 2 Suppose K slice. $\Rightarrow \Sigma_2^1 K = \partial X^4$, $H_2(X)/\text{tors} = 0$. not diag.

Thm [Kjuchokova-M-Ray-Sakallı]

IF $\sigma(K) = 0$, $u_{\mathbb{CP}^2}(K) \leq m$
 $[K \text{ is } H\text{-slice in } \#^m \mathbb{CP}^2 \times \mathbb{R}]$



Then $\Sigma_2^1(K) = \partial X$, where $b_2(X) = 2m$,

Q_X is pos def., can be rep. by a matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2I & \vdots & I \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ I & \vdots & \star \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} m \\ \\ m \end{matrix}$$

K odd 3 str. prezel:

K top slice $\Leftrightarrow$

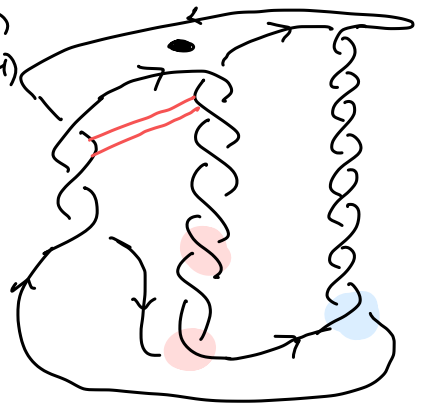
• K sm. slice $K(p, -p, r)$
 $K(1, q, -q-4)$
 $\Delta_K(t) = 1 = \det(K)$
 $\frac{1}{1}$

Idea

Let $K = P(3, -7, 9)$.

WTS: $U_{\mathbb{CP}^2}(K) = 2$

$U_{\overline{\mathbb{CP}^2}}(K) = 1$.



Quick part

• $U_{\mathbb{CP}^2}(K) \leq 2$

• $U_{\overline{\mathbb{CP}^2}}(K) \leq 1$

• $U_{\mathbb{CP}^2}(K) > 0$.

2 $\rightarrow$ - crossing changes
 $P(3, -7, 9) \rightsquigarrow \underbrace{P(3, -3, 9)}_{\text{slice}}$

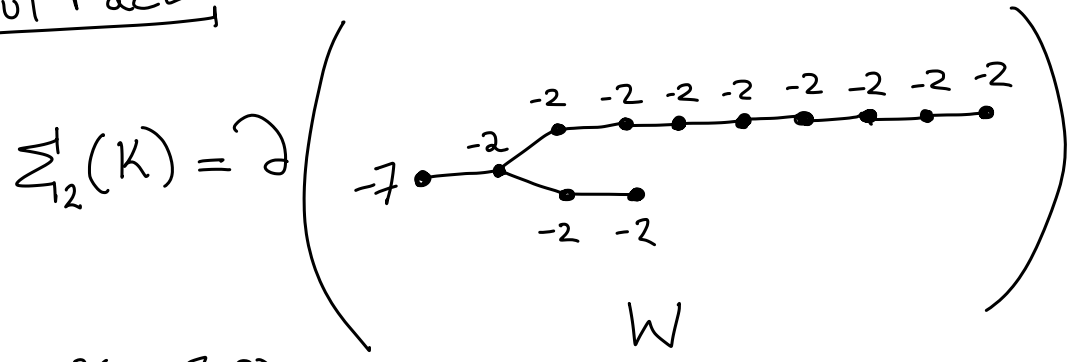
1 $\rightarrow$ + crossing change
 $P(3, -7, 9) \rightarrow P(3, -7, 7)$

K is not slice $\rightarrow \det(K)$ not square.

Longer part: $U_{\mathbb{CP}^2}(K) > 1$

$(S^4 \#^m \mathbb{CP}^2)^*$

Useful Fact



$K = P(3, -7, 9)$