

Copenhagen masterclass highlight

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Still under construction.

1 Sander Kupers: operadic embedding calculus.

Notes on <https://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/people/kupers/seminars/>.

♠Setting up Goodwillie–Weiss calculus operadically.

Let Man_d^c be the ∞ -category of d -dimensional manifolds and $c \in \{o, t\}$ -embeddings (o for smooth, t for continuous). Then $M \in \text{Man}_d^c$ via Yoneda embedding gives a presheaf

$$E_M : (\text{Man}_d^c)^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Space}, P \mapsto \text{Emb}^c(P, M).$$

Let Disc_d^c be the full subcategory on $S \times \mathbb{R}^d$ for finite sets S and $\text{Disc}_{d, \leq k}^c$ be its full subcategory for $|S| \leq k$. There is

$$\text{Disc}_{d, \leq 1}^c \subset \text{Disc}_{d, \leq 2}^c \subset \cdots \subset \text{Disc}_d^c \overset{i}{\subset} \text{Man}_d^c,$$

which yields

$$\text{Psh}(\text{Disc}_{d, \leq 1}^c) \leftarrow \text{Psh}(\text{Disc}_{d, \leq 2}^c) \leftarrow \cdots \leftarrow \text{Psh}(\text{Disc}_d^c) \xleftarrow{i^*} \text{Psh}(\text{Man}_d^c). \quad (1.1)$$

For $M, N \in \text{Man}_d^c$, define $T_k \text{Emb}^c(M, N) = \text{Map}_{\text{Psh}(\text{Disc}_{d, \leq k}^c)}(E_M, E_N)$. (??) gives the embedding calculus tower

$$T_1 \text{Emb}^c(M, N) \leftarrow T_2 \text{Emb}^c(M, N) \leftarrow \cdots T_\infty \text{Emb}^c(M, N) \leftarrow \text{Emb}^c(M, N)$$

Definition 1.2. An embedding $P \hookrightarrow Q$ is called an equivalence on tangential k -type if there exists a space B and factorization of the tangent bundle/micro-bundle

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} P & \longrightarrow & Q & \longrightarrow & BO \text{ or } BT\text{op} \\ & \searrow & \downarrow & \nearrow & \\ & & B & & \end{array}$$

such that both $P \rightarrow B$ and $Q \rightarrow B$ are k -connected maps.

Theorem 1.3. (Krannich–Kupers, improvement of Goodwillie–Klein–Weiss) $d \geq 5$, M^d compact, $\partial M \rightarrow M$ is an equivalence on tangential 2-type. Then $\text{Emb}^o(M, N) \xrightarrow{\sim} T_\infty \text{Emb}^o(M, N)$.

First layer:

$$T_1 \text{Emb}^c(M, N) \simeq \begin{cases} \text{Map}^{/BO(d)}(M, N) & c = 0; \\ \text{Map}^{/BT\text{op}(d)}(M, N) & c = t. \end{cases}$$

♠The particle tangential structure.

Definition 1.4. Let \mathcal{O} be an operad with a map $\theta : B \rightarrow \text{BAut}_{\text{Opd}}(\mathcal{O})$. Define a new operad (the “semidirect product operad”)

$$\mathcal{O}^\theta = \text{colim}_B(B \rightarrow \text{BAut}_{\text{Opd}}(\mathcal{O}) \hookrightarrow \text{Opd}).$$

The spaces of \mathcal{O}^θ are $\mathcal{O}^\theta(k) \simeq \mathcal{O}(k) \times (\Omega B)^k$. Let E_d be the little d -disk operad.

Definition 1.5. $E_d^p = (E_d)^{id:BAut(E_d) \rightarrow BAut(E_d)}$.

Remark 1.6. E_d^p is “maximal” in the sense that $Aut(E_d^p) \simeq *$.