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Abstract

Loop spaces, cyclic homology, and the A-infinity algebra of a Lagrangian submanifold

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We construct a new chain model of the (based and free) loop space of a path-connected topological space X, defined using the fundamental groupoid of X. This is a generalization of a classical theorem of Adams to non-simply connected spaces. Then we prove a variant of Jones' theorem on cyclic homology and S^1-equivariant homology, and describe a chain level refinement of the string topology gravity algebra discovered by Chas-Sullivan. Finally we lift the Fukaya A-infinity algebra of a Lagrangian submanifold L to the dg Lie algebra of cyclic invariant chains on the free loop space of L, and discuss applications to the displaceability of L when L is negatively-curved and even-dimensional.

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