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STABLE HOMOTOPY THEORY

∞-categories: a thickening of the notion of category, suitable for homotopy-invariant mathematics (algebraic geometry, algebraic topology, type theory).

Turns out some parts of Mathematics are easier if stated in these terms:

- homological algebra : the scary part of algebraic topology

  higher algebra: the linear algebra of ∞-categories
- 1-topos theory : a synthetic type theory,

  ∞-topos theory: a synthetic homotopy theory of homotopy types

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Stable, rational, p-adic, ... homotopy theory become pieces of the commutative algebra of ∞-categories.

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- [FL15b] Every stratified manifold $(X, \mathfrak{s})$ generates a pair of t-structure that can be glued together

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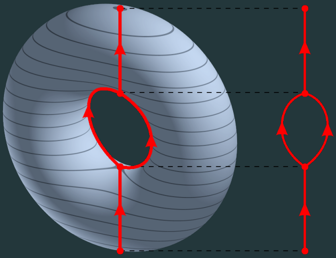

Fact: Bord(n) is the free (∞,n)-symmoncat on the point.

Monoidal functors $Z : Bord(n) \to Vect$ are completely classified.

Morse theory is the theory of suitable factorization systems on Bord(n).

critical points of a Morse function correspond to

critical values [L-PhD, Ch.7] of a certain slicing $J : \mathbb{R} \to FS(Bord(n))$.

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[Lor18] : reflective subderivators correspond to reflective factorization systems, and to algebras for idempotent monads (the formal theory of monads [*S80*] still holds in **Der**, a monad $T : D \to D$ is just defined objectwise)

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COENDS AND DG-STUFF

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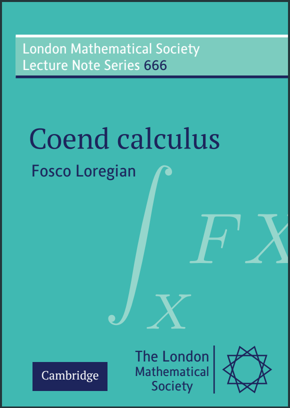

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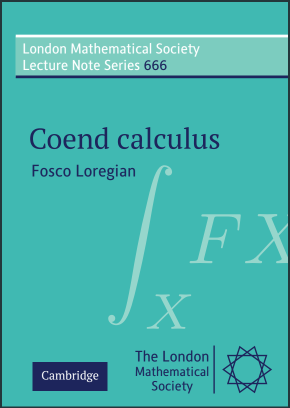

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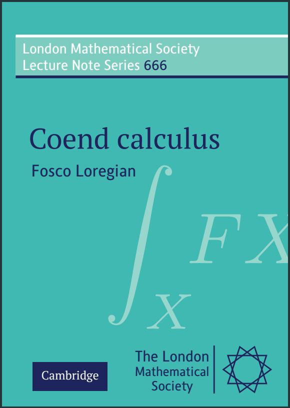

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- The book is being extensively cited (45 citations on Scholar May 10, 2020)

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Applications to Kuznetsov-Lunts categorical resolutions of singularities: a smooth DG-category is a $\mathcal{D}$ such that its identity profunctor $h : \mathcal{D} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{D}$ is a perfect object (read as: a variety is smooth if the diagonal map $\Delta : X \to X \times X$ is smooth)

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- more in detail, “2-semantics” of algebraic theories: profunctorial PROPs and theories, categorical algebra of cartesian bicategories…

- Reach me out at my web page:

- I'm quite open about my projects:

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- Taltech has an extremely active ongoing CT seminar:

Reach us out!