## THE AUTOMORPHISM GROUPS OF SPACES AND FIBRATIONS

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This paper deals with the automorphism group of fibrations  $f\colon X\to Y$ , where X and Y are simply connected CW-complexes with either a finite number of homology groups or homotopy groups. It is proved that the automorphism groups of such fibrations are finitely presented, and that in case X and Y are  $H_0$ -spaces the image of the obvious map  $\operatorname{Aut}(f)\to\operatorname{Aut}(H^*(f,Z))$  has finite index in  $\operatorname{Aut}(H^*(f,Z))$ . It is also proved that in case that Y belongs to the genus of X,  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X\to \operatorname{Aut} X_p)$  is isomorphic to  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} Y\to \operatorname{Aut} Y_p)(()$  p-localization of p).

Introduction. Let X, Y be spaces and let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a fibration. This work concerns the group  $\operatorname{Aut} X$  of homotopy classes of self equivalences of X as well as the group  $\operatorname{Aut}(f)$  of homotopy classes of pairs  $(h, k) \in \operatorname{Aut} X \times \operatorname{Aut} Y$  which satisfy  $fh \sim kf$ . Throughout this paper all spaces considered are of the homotopy type of nilpotent CW-complexes of finite type, and all, except those which appear in Chapter four, are of the homotopy type of simply connected CW-complexes, which are either finite dimensional or with a finite number of homotopy groups.

We use the notations of Wilkerson [8]. We recall that a space X is called an  $H_0$ -space if  $H^*(X,Q)$  is an exterior algebra on odd dimensional generators, that the genus of X is the set G(X) of homotopy types of spaces Y with  $Y_p \approx X_p$  for every prime p, and that the elements [f'] of the genus of a fibration  $f: X \to Y$  are equivalence classes of homotopy classes f' which satisfy: For every prime p there exist homotopy equivalences  $h_p: X'_p \to X_p$ ,  $k_p: Y'_p \to Y_p$  satisfying  $f_p h_p \sim k_p f'_p$ .

Concerning Aut X and Aut(f) we are interested in the following questions:

- (a) Is the group Aut(f) finitely presented? i.e., can Theorem B in Wilkerson [8] be generalized to Aut(f)?
  - (b) What is the relation between:
  - (1) Aut X and Aut  $H^*(X, Z)$  where X is an  $H_0$ -space.
- (2) Aut(f) and Aut  $H^*(f, Z)$  where f is an  $H_0$ -fibration, i.e., f is a fibration between  $H_0$ -spaces.
  - (3) Aut X and Aut X' where X' belongs to the genus of X.
- (4)  $\operatorname{Aut}(f)$  and  $\operatorname{Aut}(f')$  where f' belongs to the genus of f. The answer to question (a) is given by:

MAIN THEOREM. Let X, Y be simply connected CW-complexes

and let  $F \rightarrow X \xrightarrow{f} Y$  be a fibration. Then:

- (a) Aut(f) is commensurable with an arithmetic subgroup of Aut( $f_0$ ), where  $f_0: X_0 \to Y_0$  is the rationalization of f.
  - (b) Aut(f) is finitely presented, and
- (c) Aut(f) has only a finite number of finite subgroup up to conjugation.

One of the results of this theorem is:

COROLLARY 2.8. Let X be a simply connected finite CW-complex and let  $G \subseteq \text{Aut } X$  be a finitely generated subgroup. If  $H_*(X, Z)$  is torsion free then the centralizer of G is finitely presented.

Concerning question (b) we obtain the following interesting results:

PROPOSITION 3.2. Let X, Y be  $H_0$ -spaces and let  $f: X \to Y$  be a fibration. Then:

- (a) The map  $[Y, X] \rightarrow \text{Hom}(H_*(Y, Z), H_*(X, Z) \text{ is finite to one.})$
- (b) Im (Aut  $X \to \text{Aut } H^*(X, Z)$  is a subgroup of finite index.
- (c) The kernel of the obvious map  $\operatorname{Aut}(f) \to \operatorname{Aut} H^*(f, Z)$  is finite and its image is a subgroup of finite index in  $\operatorname{Aut} H^*(f, Z)$ .
- (d) For any pair  $(h, k) \in \text{Aut } H^*(f, Z)$  there exists a pair  $(\widetilde{h}, \widetilde{k}) \in \text{Aut}(f)$  and an integer m, so that  $H^*(h, Z) = h^m$  and  $H^*(k, Z) = k^m$ .

PROPOSITION 4.6. Let X be an  $H_0$ -space either with a finite number of homology groups or with a finite number of homotopy groups. If  $H^*(X, Z)$  is torsion free then  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X \to \operatorname{Aut} X_q)q \in P$   $(P-the\ set\ of\ primes)$  is a direct product of finite p-groups,  $p \neq q$ .

PROPOSITION 4.7. Let X, Y be nilpotent spaces with a finite number of homology groups and let  $f: X \to Y$  be a fibration. Then for every prime p and for every fibration  $f': X' \to Y'$ , which belongs to the genus of f,  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut}(f) \to \operatorname{Aut}(f_p))$  is isomorphic to  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut}(f') \to \operatorname{Aut}(f_p'))$ .

As a consequence of Propositions 3.6 and 4.7 we obtain:

PROPOSITION 3.7. Let X,  $\mu_0$  be an  $H_0$ -space. Suppose  $H^*(\mu_0, Q)$  is primitively generated, then the number of equivalence classes of H-structure on X for which  $H^*(\mu, Q)$  is equivalent to  $H^*(\mu_0, Q)$  is finite.

COROLLARY 4.9. Let X, Y be  $H_0$ -spaces either with a finite number

of homology groups or with a finite number of homotopy groups and let  $f: X \to Y$  be a fibration. Then for every fibration f' which belongs to the genus of f,  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut}(f) \to \operatorname{Aut} H_*(f, Z))$  is isomorphic to  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut}(f') \to \operatorname{Aut} H_*(f', Z))$ .

PROPOSITION 4.10. Let f and f' be as in Corollary 4.9. If Aut(f) is finite, then Aut(f) is isomorphic to Aut(f').

The paper is organized as follows:

In section one the relation between automorphism groups and rational equivalence is studied. The main result is proved in section two. In section three, the special properties of  $H_0$ -spaces and the results of section one are used to draw conclusions on the automorphism groups of  $H_0$ -spaces and fibrations. In the last section, section four, the relation between automorphism groups and genus is studied.

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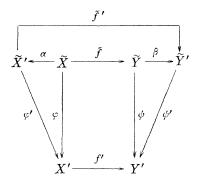
## 1. Automorphism groups and rational equivalence.

LEMMA 1.1. Let X, Y, X', Y' be simply connected finite type CW-complexes,  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ ,  $f': X' \rightarrow Y'$  be fibrations and F and F' be simple CW-complexes with  $\pi_*F$  and  $\pi_*F'$  finite dimensional and finite. Define S to be the set of homotopy classes of pairs  $(\varphi, \psi)$  satisfying:

- (a)  $\varphi: X \to X'$  and  $\psi: Y \to Y'$  are maps with homotopy theoretic fibers F and F', respectively.
  - (b)  $f'\varphi \sim \psi f$ .

Then Aut(f) acts on S and S/Aut(f) is a finite set.

Proof. Let M be the set of triples  $(\varphi, \psi, \widetilde{f})$ , where  $F \to \widetilde{X} \xrightarrow{\phi} X'$  and  $F' \to \widetilde{Y} \xrightarrow{\varphi} Y'$  are fibrations,  $\widetilde{f} \colon \widetilde{X} \to \widetilde{Y}$  a map and  $\psi \widetilde{f} \sim f' \varphi$ . Define an equivalence relation on M by:  $(\varphi, \psi, \widetilde{f}) \sim (\varphi', \psi', \widetilde{f}')$   $(\widetilde{f}' \colon \widetilde{X}' \to \widetilde{Y}')$  if and only if there exist homotopy equivalences  $\alpha \colon \widetilde{X} \to \widetilde{X}'$ ,  $\beta \colon \widetilde{Y} \to \widetilde{Y}'$  so that the following diagram homotopy commutes. For any pair  $(\varphi, \psi) \in S$  there is a factorization of  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  as  $X \xrightarrow{i} X_{\varphi} \xrightarrow{\varphi} X'$ ,  $Y^{j} \to Y_{\psi} \xrightarrow{\varphi} Y'$ , where i and j are homotopy equivalences,  $\widetilde{\varphi}$  and  $\widetilde{\psi}$  are fibrations and  $\widetilde{\varphi}i \sim \varphi$ ,  $\widetilde{\psi}i \sim \psi$ . Obviously  $f'\widetilde{\varphi} \sim \widetilde{\psi}(jfi^{-1})$   $(i^{-1} = \text{the homotopy inverse of } i)$  and therefore the triple  $(\widetilde{\varphi}, \widetilde{\psi}, jfi^{-1}) \in M$ . Changing  $(\varphi, \psi)$  within a homotopy class does not vary the equivalence class of the triple  $(\widetilde{\varphi}, \widetilde{\psi}, jfi^{-1})$ . Hence  $S \to M$  is well

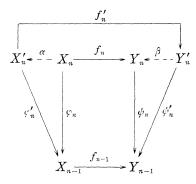


defined.

Suppose  $(\varphi, \psi)$ ,  $(\varphi', \psi) \in S$  and there exists a pair  $(\alpha, \beta) \in \operatorname{Aut}(f)$  so that  $\varphi \alpha \sim \varphi'$  and  $\psi \beta \sim \psi'$ , then the triples  $(\widetilde{\varphi}, \widetilde{\psi}, jfi^{-1})$  and  $(\widetilde{\varphi}', \widetilde{\psi}', j'fi'^{-1})$  are equivalent in M. Conversely, if the triples  $(\widetilde{\varphi}, \widetilde{\psi}, jfi^{-1})$  and  $(\widetilde{\varphi}', \widetilde{\psi}', j'fi'^{-1})$  are equivalent in M i.e., if there are homotopy equivalences  $\alpha \colon X_{\varphi} \to X_{\varphi}$ ,  $\beta \colon Y_{\psi} \to Y_{\psi'}$  so that  $(j'fi'^{-1})\alpha \sim \beta(jfi^{-1})$ , then  $\varphi(i^{-1}\alpha^{-1}i') \sim \varphi'$  and  $\psi(j^{-1}\beta j') \sim \psi'$ . Thus  $S/\operatorname{Aut}(f) \to M/\sim$  is well defined and monic. Therefore it is enough to prove that  $M/\sim$  is finite. But by a standard Moore-Postnikov argument any element of M can be obtained as a sequence of principal fibrations  $(\varphi_n, \psi_n)$  with fibers  $K(\pi_n X, n)$  and  $K(\pi_n Y, n)$ , so that  $f_{n-1}\varphi_n \sim \psi_n f_n$ . Hence it suffices to show that for each n there is a finite number of equivalence classes of such fibrations, where the equivalence relation is defined as in M.

Suppose for the pair of k-invariants  $(k, k') \in H^{n+1}(X_{n-1}, \pi_n X) \times H^{n+1}(Y_{n-1}, \pi_n Y)$  there exists  $f_n \colon X_n \to Y_n$  so that  $f_{n-1} \mathcal{P}_n \sim \psi_n f_n$ . Assume also that  $\mathcal{P}'_n \colon X'_n \to X_{n-1}$  and  $\psi'_n \colon Y'_n \to Y_{n-1}$  are fibers of k and k', respectively, and there exists  $f'_n \colon X'_n \to Y'_n$  satisfying  $\psi'_n f'_n \sim f_{n-1} \mathcal{P}'_n$ .

Consider the following diagram



There exist homotopy equivalences  $\alpha: X_n \to X'_n$ ,  $\beta: Y'_n \to Y_n$  so  $\varphi'_n \alpha \sim \varphi_n$  and  $\psi_n \beta \sim \psi'_n$ . The map  $\beta f'_n \alpha$  is a lift of  $f_{n-1}$ , hence the finiteness of the group  $\pi_*$  (fiber  $\psi$ ) and the number of stages implies the finiteness of  $M/\sim$ .

LEMMA 1.2. Let  $f: X \to Y$  and  $f': X' \to Y'$  be as in Lemma 1.1, and let M and M' be simple connected CW-complexes with  $H_*(M, Z)$  and  $H_*(M', Z)$  finite dimensional and finite. Define S to be the set of homotopy classes of pairs  $(\varphi, \psi)$  satisfying:

- (a)  $\varphi: X \to X'$  and  $\psi: Y \to Y'$  are maps satisfying X'U Cone  $U(\varphi)$  is homotopy equivalent to M and  $Y' \cup Cone(\psi)$  is homotopy equivalent to M'.
  - (b)  $f'\varphi \sim \psi f$ .

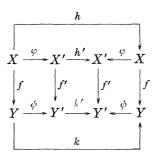
Then Aut(f') acts on S and S/Aut(f') is a finite set.

Proof. Dual to the proof of 1.1.

THEOREM 1.3. Let X, Y, X', Y' be simply connected finite type CW-spaces which are either  $H_*$ -finite dimensional or  $\pi_*$  finite dimensional, and let  $f\colon X\to Y$  and  $f'\colon X'\to Y'$  be fibrations.

Suppose  $\varphi \colon X \to X'$  and  $\psi \colon Y \to Y'$  are rational equivalences satisfying  $f'\varphi \sim \psi f$ . Then  $\operatorname{Aut}(f)$  and  $\operatorname{Aut}(f')$  are commensurable groups.

*Proof.* Let  $\Delta(\varphi, \psi) \subseteq \operatorname{Aut}(f) \times \operatorname{Aut}(f')$  be the set of pairs  $((h, k), (h', k')) \in \operatorname{Aut}(f) \times \operatorname{Aut}(f')$  for which the diagram



commutes, and let  $\operatorname{Stab}(\varphi, \psi, \operatorname{Aut}(f'))$  be the image in  $\operatorname{Aut}(f')$  of the second projection map on  $\Delta(\varphi, \psi)$ . We shall show that  $\operatorname{Aut}(f)$  and  $\operatorname{Aut}(f')$  are commensurable with  $\Delta(\varphi, \psi)$ .

Let S' be the set of homotopy classes of pairs of the form  $(h'\varphi h, k'\psi k)$  where  $(h, k) \in \operatorname{Aut}(f)$  and  $(h', k') \in \operatorname{Aut}(f')$ . Then S' is a subset of S of Lemma 1.1, and hence  $S'/\operatorname{Aut}(f)$  is a finite set. But  $\operatorname{Aut}(f')$  acts on  $S'/\operatorname{Aut}(f)$ , i.e., there is a map

$$\eta: \operatorname{Aut}(f') \longrightarrow \operatorname{Aut}(S'/\operatorname{Aut}(f))$$
.

Then the group  $\operatorname{Stab}(\varphi, \psi, \operatorname{Aut}(f'))$  contains the kernel of  $\eta$ , and therefore the fact that  $\operatorname{Aut}(S'/\operatorname{Aut}(f))$  is a finite set implies that  $\operatorname{Stab}(\varphi, \psi, \operatorname{Aut}(f'))$  has finite index in  $\operatorname{Aut}(f')$ .

On the other hand, the fact that  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  are rational equivalences implies that the kernel of the map  $\Delta(\varphi, \psi) \to \operatorname{Aut}(f')$  is finite. Hence  $\Delta(\varphi, \psi)$  and  $\operatorname{Aut}(f')$  are commensurable groups. The proof that  $\Delta(\varphi, \psi)$  and  $\operatorname{Aut}(f)$  are commensurable is dual.

NOTATION. For a fibration  $f: X \to Y$  denote by  $\operatorname{Aut}_X(f)$  the group of homotopy classes of self homotopy equivalences  $k: Y \to Y$  satisfying  $kf \sim f$ , and by  $\operatorname{Aut}_Y(f)$  the group of homotopy classes of self homotopy equivalences  $h: X \to X$  which satisfy  $fh \sim f$ .

COROLLARY 1.4. Let f, f',  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  be as in Theorem 1.3. Then  $\operatorname{Aut}_{X}(f)$  is commensurable with  $\operatorname{Aut}_{X'}(f')$  and  $\operatorname{Aut}_{Y}(f)$  is commensurable with  $\operatorname{Aut}_{Y'}(f')$ .

THEOREM 1.5. Let X, Y, X', Y' be simply connected finite type CW-spaces and let  $f: X \to Y$  and  $f': X' \to Y'$  be fibrations. Suppose  $f_0$  is homotopy equivalent to  $f'_0$ . Then Aut(f) and Aut(f') are commensurable groups.

*Proof.* Since  $f_0$  is homotopy equivalent to  $f_0'$  there exists a commutative diagram.

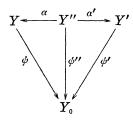
$$X \xrightarrow{\varphi} X_0 \xrightarrow{\varphi'} X'$$

$$\downarrow f \qquad \qquad \downarrow f_0 \qquad \qquad \downarrow f'$$

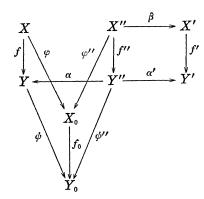
$$Y \xrightarrow{\psi} Y_0 \xleftarrow{\psi'} Y'$$

where the horizontal maps are rationalizations.

Let Y'' be a simply connected CW-complex which satisfies: There exist rational equivalences  $\alpha: Y'' \to Y$ ,  $\alpha': Y'' \to Y'$  and  $\psi'': Y'' \to Y_0$  so that the following diagram commutes:



(By Wilkerson [8] such a space exists.)
Consider the following diagram:



where X'' is the pullback of  $Y'' \xrightarrow{\alpha} Y' \xrightarrow{f'} X'$  and  $\varphi'': X' \to X_0$  is a rationalization, which satisfies  $f_0 \varphi'' \sim \psi'' f''$ . (The existence of such a rational equivalence follows from the above three diagrams.)

Since  $\varphi$  and  $\varphi''$  aae rationalizations there exists a bouquet of spheres  $VS^{n_i}$  and maps  $X \overset{\gamma}{\leftarrow} VS^{n_i} \overset{\gamma''}{\to} X''$  so that  $\pi_* \gamma \otimes Q$  and  $\pi_* \gamma'' \otimes Q$  are epimorphisms and  $\varphi'' \gamma'' \sim \varphi \gamma$ . Therefore the commutativity of the two parallelograms and the triangle, in the last diagram, implies that  $\psi \alpha f'' \gamma'' \sim \psi f \gamma$ . Consequently there exists a map  $\delta : VS^{n_i} \to VS^{n_i}$  so that  $\alpha f'' \gamma'' \delta \sim f \gamma \delta$ .

Consider the cofibration  $VS^{n_i} \stackrel{\lambda}{\to} VS^{n_i} \stackrel{j}{\leftarrow} C_{\lambda}$  where  $\operatorname{Im}(\pi_*\lambda \otimes Q) = \operatorname{Ker}(\pi_*(\gamma'\delta) \otimes Q) = \operatorname{Ker}(\pi_*(\gamma''\delta) \otimes Q)$ . There exist maps  $\varepsilon \colon C_{\lambda} \to X$ ,  $\varepsilon'' \colon C_{\lambda} \to X''$  so that  $\varepsilon j \sim \gamma \delta$ ,  $\varepsilon'' j \sim \gamma'' \delta$  and  $\varphi'' \varepsilon'' \sim \varphi \varepsilon$ . Consequently the considerations of the previous paragraph imply the existence of a map  $\mu \colon VS^{n_i} \to VS^{n_i}$  and rational equivalences  $\phi \colon C_{\lambda\mu} \to X$ ,  $\phi'' \colon C_{\lambda\mu} \to X''$  ( $C_{\lambda\mu}$  — the cofibre of  $\lambda\mu$ ), so that  $\alpha f'' \phi'' \sim f \phi$ . Hence Theorem 1.3 implies that  $\operatorname{Aut}(f)$  and  $\operatorname{Aut}(f')$  are both commensurable with  $\operatorname{Aut}(f'' \phi'')$  and therefore they are commensurable.

2. Proof of the main theorem. By Wilkerson [8] there are finitely generated free simplicial  $N^{\circ}Z$  groups M. an N. and a map  $f:M. \to N$ . so that  $\operatorname{Aut}(f)$  can be identified with the group of loop homotopy equivalence classes of self-equivalences of f., and  $\operatorname{Aut}(f_{\circ})$  can be identified with the group of loop homotopy equivalence classes of self-equivalences of  $f_{\circ}:M_{\circ}\to N_{\circ}$ . Therefore we study here these groups. We denote them by  $H\operatorname{Aut}(f)$  and  $H\operatorname{Aut}(f_{\circ})$ , respectively.

Let  $M_0$  and  $N_0$  be finitely generated  $N^cQ$  groups. Denote by  $\operatorname{Aut}(M_0\cdot)_0\operatorname{Aut}(N_0\cdot)_0$  the group of simplicial automorphisms of  $M_0\cdot(N_0\cdot)$  and by  $\operatorname{Aut}(M_0\cdot)_1(\operatorname{Aut}(N_0\cdot)_1$  the set of automorphisms of  $M_0\cdot\otimes \varDelta(1)$   $(N_0\cdot\otimes \varDelta(1))$  lying over the identity on  $\varDelta(1)$ . The face maps  $d_0$ ,  $d_1$ :  $\operatorname{Aut}(M_0\cdot)_1\to\operatorname{Aut}(M_0\cdot)_0$  and  $d_0'$ ,  $d_1'$ :  $\operatorname{Aut}(N_0\cdot)_1\to\operatorname{Aut}(N_0\cdot)_0$ .

Let  $SimpAut(f_0)$  denote the set of simplicial automorphisms of

 $f_0$ . Two pair (h, k),  $(h', k') \in \text{SimpAut}(f_0)$  are homotopic if and only if  $h' \in d_1 d_0^{-1}(h)$  and  $h' \in d'_1 d'_0^{-1}(k)$ . Hence

 $H\operatorname{Aut}(f_{0\cdot})=\operatorname{Simp}\operatorname{Aut}(f_{0\cdot})/(d_{1}d_{0}^{-1}(id)\times d'_{1}d'_{0}^{-1}(id))\cap\operatorname{Simp}\operatorname{Aut}(f_{0\cdot})$  .

PROPOSITION 2.1. Let  $f_0: M_0 \to N_0$ , be a simplicial map between finitely generated free simplicial  $N^cQ$  groups. There exists an affine group scheme G over Q, so that  $\operatorname{SimpAut}(f_0)$  can be identified with the Q-valued points of G.

*Proof.* Similar to the proof of Proposition 9.2 in Wilkerson [8].

PROPOSITION 2.2. There is a normal closed subgroup scheme over Q, H of G, such that  $(d_1d_0^{-1}(id) \times d'_1d'_0^{-1}(id)) \cap \operatorname{SimpAut}(f_0) = H(Q)$ .

*Proof.* Since linear algebraic groups are closed under finite cartezian products and finite intersections, the result follows from Proposition 9.3 in Wilkerson [8].

PROPOSITION 2.3. Let G and H be as defined above. There exists an affine group scheme G/H over Q, such that  $H \operatorname{Aut}(f_0) = (G/H)(Q) = G(Q)/H(Q)$ .

*Proof.* Proposition 9.4. in Wilkerson [8], the discussion above and thefact that a subgroup of a unipotent group is unipotent, implies that H is unipotent and that H Aut $(f_0) = G(Q)/H(Q)$ . By Borel [1, 6.8], the quotient of an affine group scheme over Q by a closed normal subgroup scheme over Q is again an affine group scheme over Q. That is G/H exists. The Galois cohomology sequence [Serre]  $1 \to H(Q) \to G(Q) \to G/H(Q) \to H^1(\operatorname{Gal}(\overline{Q}, Q), H) \cdots$  is an exact sequence of groups and pointed sets. Hence the fact that H is unipotent implies that  $H^1(\operatorname{Gal}(\overline{Q}, Q), H) = 0$  and the result follows.

PROPOSITION 2.3'. Let X, Y be simply connected finite CW-complexes and let  $f: X \to Y$  be a fibration. Then  $\operatorname{Aut}(f_0)$  is the set of Q-valued points of a linear algebraic group over Q.

PROPOSITION 2.4. Let M. and N. be finitely generated free simplicial nilpotent groups of class c and let  $f:M. \to N$ . be a simplicial map. Define  $M_L \subseteq M_0(N_L \subseteq N_0)$  to be the intersection of all lattice subgroups of  $M_0(N_0)$  that contain M(N).

Then f. induces a map  $f_L: M_L \to N_L$  and Simp Aut(f.) has finite index in Simp Aut( $f_L$ ).

*Proof.* The existence of  $f_L$  and the fact that  $G_{\overline{\operatorname{def}}}(\operatorname{SimpAut}(M_L) \times \operatorname{SimpAut}(N_L)) \subseteq \operatorname{SimpAut}(M_L) \times \operatorname{SimpAut}(N_L)$  is a subgroup of finite index, follows from Wilkerson [8, 8.1 and 8.3]. Hence

$$G \cap \operatorname{SimpAut}(f_L) \subseteq \operatorname{SimpAut}(f_L)$$

is a subgroup of finite index and it suffices to prove that  $\operatorname{SimpAut}(f_L) = G \cap \operatorname{SimAut}(f_L)$ . But this is clear, since  $(h, k) \in G \cap \operatorname{SimpAut}(f_L)$  implies that  $h \mid M : M \to M$ ,  $k \mid N : N \to N$  and  $kf_L h^{-1} = f_L$  and therefore  $(h \mid M, k \mid N) \in \operatorname{SimpAut}(f)$ .

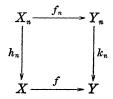
PROPOSITION 2.5. Let X, Y be simply connected finite CW-complexes and let  $f: X \to Y$  be a fibration. There exist finite CW-complexes X' and Y' so that  $H_*(X', Z)$  and  $H_*(Y', Z)$  are torsion free and a fibration  $f': X' \to Y'$  so that Aut(f') and Aut(f) are commensurable groups.

*Proof.* By Theorem 1.3 it suffices to prove that there exist rational equivalences  $h: X' \to X$  and  $k: Y' \to Y$  so that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X' \xrightarrow{f} Y' \\ h \downarrow & \downarrow k \\ X \xrightarrow{f} Y \end{array}$$

commutes.

Since f is homotopic to a cellular map we can assume that f is cellular. Suppose there exists a commutative diagram



where  $f_n$  is cellular,  $h_n$ ,  $k_n$  are rational equivalences and the groups  $H_m(X_n, Z)$  and  $H_m(Y_n, Z)$  are torsion free for  $m \leq n$ .

Let  $X_n^{(n)}$ ,  $Y_n^{(n)}$  be the *n*-skeletons of  $X_n$  and  $Y_n$ . Since  $f_n$  is cellular  $f_n$  induces a map  $f_n': X_n/X_n^{(n)} \to Y_n/Y_n^{(n)}$ . Therefore the fact that  $H_{n+1}(X,Z) = \pi_{n+1}(X_n/X_n^{(n)})$  and  $H_{n+1}(Y,Z) = \pi_{n+1}(Y_n/Y_n^{(n)})$  implies the existence of a commutative diagram  $({}^t($  ) denotes the torsion subgroup of ( ).)

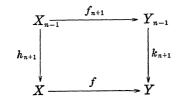
Let  $X_{n+1}$  and  $Y_{n+1}$  be the fibers of the maps

$$X_n \longrightarrow X_n/X_n^{(n)} \longrightarrow K(H_{n+1}X, Z) \longrightarrow K({}^tH_{n+1}X, Z)$$

and

$$Y_n \longrightarrow Y_n^{(n)}/Y_n^{(n)} \longrightarrow K(H_{n+1}Y, Z) \longrightarrow K(t_{n+1}Y, Z)$$

and let  $f_{n+1}: X_{n+1} \to Y_{n+1}$  be the iduced map. Obviously  $X_{n+1}$  is rational equivalent to X,  $Y_{n+1}$  is rational equivalent to Y and there exists a commutative diagram



where  $h_{n+1}$  and  $k_{n+1}$  are rational equivalences and  $f_{n+1}$  is cellular. By the Serre spectral sequence  $H_m(X_{n+1}, Z)$  and  $H_m(Y_{n+1}, Z)$  are torsion free for  $m \le n+1$ , and the result follows.

PROPOSITION 2.6. Let M. and N. be finitely generated connected minimal simplicial  $N^{\circ}Z$  groups and let  $f: M \to N$ . be a simplicial map. Then H Aut(f) is an arithmetic subgroup of H Aut $(f_{\circ})$ .

*Proof.* Since Simp Aut $(f) \subseteq$  Simp Aut $(f_L)$  is a subgroup of finite index, the theorem follows from Theorem 9.8 in [8] by replacing N. by  $f_L$ ,  $N_L$  by  $f_L$  and  $d_1d_0^{-1}(id)$  by  $(d_1d_0^{-1}(id) \times d'_1d'_0^{-1}(id) \cap \text{Simp Aut}(f_0)$ .

Proof of the main theorem. By Proposition 2.5 we can assume that  $H_*(X,Z)$  and  $H_*(Y,Z)$  are torsion free. Hence by Wilkerson [8]  $\operatorname{Aut}(f)$  can be calculated as  $H\operatorname{Aut}(f)$  for some  $f:M\to N$ , where M and N are connected minimal free simplicial  $N^\circ Z$  groups. Therefore  $\operatorname{Aut}(f)$  is an arithmetic subgroup of a linear algebraic group, and the result follows from Proposition 10.3 in [8].

COROLLARY 2.7. Let X, Y be simply connected finite CW-complexes and let  $f: X \to Y$  be a fibration. Then  $\operatorname{Aut}_{Y}(f)$  is finitely presented.

Proof. Similar to the proof of the main theorem.

COROLLARY 2.8. Let X be a simply connected finite CW-complex and let  $G \subseteq \operatorname{Aux} X$  be a finitely generated subgroup. If  $H_*(X, Z)$  is torsion free then the centralizer of G is finitely presented.

*Proof.* Suppose G is generated by  $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n$ . Since the centralizer of G is equal to the centralizer of the set  $\{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n\}$ , the proof is similar to the proof of the main theorem.

3. Commensurability and  $H_0$ -spaces and fibrations. Let X, Y be  $H_0$ -spaces and let  $f: X \to Y$  be a fibration. In this section we deal with the relation between Aut X and Aux  $H^*(X, Y)$  and between Aut(f) and Aut  $H^*(f, Z)$ . In case X is an H-space we draw conclusions on the relation between the H-structures on X and the Hopfalgebra structures on  $H^*(X, Q)$ .

NOTATION. For any  $H_0$ -space X we denote  $K(QH^*(X, \mathbb{Z})/\text{torsion})$  by K(X).

PROPOSITION 3.1. Let  $f_1$ ,  $f_2$ :  $X \to Y$  be fibrations. If  $\operatorname{rank}(H^*(f_1,Q))$  is equal to  $\operatorname{rank}(H^*(f_2,Q))$  then  $\operatorname{Aut}(f_1)$  and  $\operatorname{Aut}(f_2)$  are commensurable groups.

*Proof.* Since rank  $(H^*(f_1, Q)) = \operatorname{rank}(H^*(f_2, Q))$  there exist Eilenberg-Maclane spaces  $K_1$ ,  $K_2$  and rational equivalences  $\varphi_i \colon X \to K(X)$ ,  $\psi_i \colon Y \to K(Y) (i=1,2)$  so that  $K(X) = K \times K_1$ ,  $K(Y) = K \times K_2$  and the following diagram commutes

$$X \xrightarrow{f_i} Y$$

$$\downarrow^{\phi_i} \qquad \qquad \downarrow^{\phi_i} \qquad \qquad (i = 1, 2)$$

$$K(X) = K \times K_1 \xrightarrow{p} K \xrightarrow{i} K \times K_2 = K(Y) .$$

Hence Aut(f) and Aut(g) are both commensurable with Aut(ip) and therefore they are commensurable groups.

PROPOSITION 3.2. Let X, Y be  $H_0$ -spaces and let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a fibration. Then:

- (a) The map  $[Y, X] \to \text{Hom}(H_*(Y, Z), H_*(X, Z))$  is finite to one.
- (b)  $\operatorname{Im}(\operatorname{Aut} X \to \operatorname{Aut} H^*(X, Z))$  is a subgroup of finite index.
- (c) The kernel of the obvious map  $\eta: \operatorname{Aut}(f) \to \operatorname{Aut} H^*(f, Z)$  is finite and its image is a subgroup of finite index in  $\operatorname{Aut} H^*(f, Z)$ .
- (d) For any pair  $(h, k) \in \text{Aut } H^*(f, Z)$  there exists a pair  $(\tilde{h}, \tilde{k}) \in \text{Aut}(f)$  and an integer m, so that  $H^*(\tilde{h}, Z) = h^m$  and  $H^*(\tilde{k}, Z) = k^m$ .
- *Proof.* (a) Let  $\varphi: X \to K(X)$  be a rational equivalence which represents generators of  $H^*(X,Z)$ /torsion. Since  $H^*(f,Z) = H^*(g,Z)$   $(f,g:Y\to X)$  implies that  $\varphi f\sim \varphi g$ , the result follows from the fach that any map  $h\colon Y\to K(X)$  has only a finite number of lifts to a map  $\tilde{h}\colon Y\to X$ , which satisfies  $\varphi \tilde{h}\sim h$ .
- (b) Let  $\varphi: X \to K(X)$  be as in (a). By Wilkerson [8]  $\operatorname{Im}(\operatorname{Aut}(\varphi) \xrightarrow{\operatorname{proj}} \operatorname{Aut}(K(X)) \to \operatorname{Aut}(H^*(K(X), Z)/\operatorname{torsion}) \to \operatorname{Aut}(H^*(X, Z)/\operatorname{torsion})$  is a subgroup of finite index in  $\operatorname{Aut}(H^*(X, Z)/\operatorname{torsion})$ . Hence the result follows from the fact that  $\operatorname{Im}(\operatorname{Aut} X \to \operatorname{Aut}(H^*(X, Z)/\operatorname{torsion}))$  contains the image of the above map.
- (c) The fact that Kern is a finite group follows from part (a). Let  $G = \operatorname{Im}(\operatorname{Aut} X \times \operatorname{Aut} Y \to \operatorname{Aut} H^*(X, Z) \times \operatorname{Aut} H^*(Y, Z))$ . By part (b) G is a subgroup of finite index in  $\operatorname{Aut} H^*(X, Z) \times \operatorname{Aut} H^*(Y, Z)$ , hence  $G \cap \operatorname{Aut} H^*(f, Z) \subseteq \operatorname{Aut} H^*(f, Z)$  is a subgroup of finite index and it suffices to prove that  $\operatorname{Im} \eta \subseteq G \cap \operatorname{Aut} H^*(f, Z)$  is a subgroup of finite index.
- Let  $(h, k) \in G \cap \operatorname{Aut} H^*(f, Z)$ . There exists a pair  $(\widetilde{h}, \widetilde{k}) \in \operatorname{Aut} X \times \operatorname{Aut} Y$  satisfying  $H^*(\widetilde{h}, Z) = h$ ,  $H^*(\widetilde{k}, Z) = k$  and  $H^*(\widetilde{k}^{-1}f\widetilde{h}, Z) = H^*(f, Z)(\widetilde{k}^{-1} \text{the homotopy inverse of } \widetilde{k})$ . Therefore the fact that there is only a finite number of maps  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n$  which satisfy  $H^*(f_i, Z) = H^*(f, Z)$  implies that  $\operatorname{Im} \eta \subseteq G \cap \operatorname{Aut} H^*(f, Z)$  is a subgroup of finite index, and the proof of part (c) is complete.
- (d) Suppose  $(h,k) \in \operatorname{Aut} H^*(f,Z)$ . We have to show that there exists an integer m so that  $(h^m, k^m) \in \operatorname{Im}(\operatorname{Aut}(f) \to \operatorname{Aut} H^*(f,Z))$ . Since h and k are automorphisms, this follows immediately from the fact that  $\operatorname{Im}(\operatorname{Aut}(f) \to \operatorname{Aut} H^*(f,Z))$  is a subgroup of finite index in  $\operatorname{Aut} H^*(f,Z)$ .
- COROLLARY 3.3. Let X be an  $H_0$ -space. Suppose  $h, k \in \text{Aut } X$  satisfy  $H^*(h, Z) = H^*(k, Z)$ . Then there exists an integer m so that  $h^m \sim k^m$ . Consequently  $h \in \text{Aut } X$  is of finite order if and only if  $H^*(h, Z)$  is.
- *Proof.* The pair  $(H^*(h, Z), H^*(k, Z)) \in Aut(H^*(1_x, Z))$ , hence the result follows from part (d) in Proposition 3.2.
  - COROLLARY 3.4. Suppose X, Y are  $H_0$ -spaces,  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  a fibration

and  $(h, k) \in Aut(f)$ . Then:

- (a)  $H^*(f, Z)$  is monic and the order of h is finite implies that the order of k is finite.
- (b)  $H^*(f, Z)$  is epic and the order of k is finite implies that the order of h is finite.
- *Proof.* (a) Obviously, the order of h is finite implies that the order of  $H^*(k, \mathbb{Z})$  is finite. Hence the result follows from Corollary 3.3.
  - (b) Similar to (a).

COROLLARY 3.5. Let X, Y and f be as in Corollary 3.4. Then:

- (a)  $H^*(f, Z)$  is monic and Aut X is finite implies that Aut(f) is finite.
- (b)  $H^*(f, \mathbb{Z})$  is epic and  $\operatorname{Aut} Y$  is finite implies that  $\operatorname{Aut}(f)$  is finite.
- *Proof.* (a)  $(h, k_1), (h, k_2) \in \operatorname{Aut}(f)$  and  $H^*(f, Z)$  is monic implies that  $H^*(k_1, Z) = H^*(k_2, Z)$ . Therefore the fact that the kernel of the map  $\operatorname{Aut} Y \to \operatorname{Aut} H^*(f, Z)$  is finite implies that for each  $h \in \operatorname{Aut} X$  there exist, at most, a finite number of  $k \in \operatorname{Aut} Y$ , so that the pair  $(h, k) \in \operatorname{Aut}(f)$ . Hence  $\operatorname{Aut}(f)$  is a finite group.
  - (b) Similar to (a).

In order to draw conclusions from Proposition 3.2 to the case that X is an H-space we need the following definitions:

DEFINITION. Let X be an H-space and let  $\mu_{\scriptscriptstyle 1},\,\mu_{\scriptscriptstyle 2}$  be two H-structures on X.

- (a) We say that  $\mu_1$  is equivalent to  $\mu_2$  if there exists a homotopy equivalence  $h: X \to X$ , so that  $h\mu_1 \sim \mu_2(h \times h)$ .
- (b) We say that  $H^*(\mu_1, Z)/\text{torsion}$  is equivalent to  $H^*(\mu_2, Z)/\text{torsion}$  if there exists a map  $h \in \text{Aut}(H^*(X, Z)/\text{torsion})$  so that

$$(h_* \bigotimes h_*) H^*(\mu_{\scriptscriptstyle 1},\,Q) = H^*(\mu_{\scriptscriptstyle 2},\,Q) h_*$$
 .

(c) We say that  $H^*(\mu_1, Q)$  is equivalent to  $H^*(\mu_2, Q)$  if there exists a map  $h \in H^*(X, Q)$  so that  $(h \otimes h)H^*(\mu_1, Q) = H^*(\mu_2, Q)h$ .

PROPOSITION 3.6. Let X,  $\mu_0$  be an H-space. Then the number of equivalence classes of H-structures  $\mu$  on X, for which  $H^*(\mu, Z)/tor$ sion is equivalent to  $H^*(\mu_0, Z)/tor$ sion is finite.

*Proof.* Let  $\eta$ : Aut  $X \to \text{Aut } H^*(X, Z)/\text{torsion}$  be the obvious map. By Proposition 3.2(b) Im  $\eta \subseteq \text{Aut } H^*(X, Z)/\text{torsion}$  is a subgroup of

finite index. Assume that the index is n and that  $h_1, h_2, \dots, h_{n-1} \in Aut(H^*(H, \mathbb{Z})/torsion)$  satisfy

$$\operatorname{Aut}(H^*(X, \mathbb{Z})/\operatorname{torsion}) = \operatorname{Im} \eta \cup h_1 \operatorname{Im} \eta \cup \cdots \cup h_{n-1} \operatorname{Im} \eta$$
.

Let  $\mu_1$ ,  $\mu_2$  be *H*-structures on *X* and let *h*,  $h' \in \text{Aut}(H^*(X, \mathbb{Z}))/\text{torsion}$  satisfy:

$$H^*(\mu_0, Q)(h_i h)_* = ((h_i h)_* \otimes (h_i h)_*) H^*(\mu_1, Q)$$

and

$$H^*(\mu_{\scriptscriptstyle 0},\,Q)(h_{\scriptscriptstyle i}h')_*=((h_{\scriptscriptstyle i}h')_*\,igotimes(h_{\scriptscriptstyle i}h')_*)H^*(\mu_{\scriptscriptstyle 2},\,Q)$$
 ,

where  $h = H^*(\tilde{h}, Z)/\text{torsion}$  and  $h' = H^*(\tilde{h}', Z)/\text{torsion}$ . Then:

$$H^*(\mu_2, Z)/{
m torsion} = H^*(\widetilde{h}'\widetilde{h}^{-1}\mu_1(\widetilde{h}'\widetilde{h}^{-1} imes \widetilde{h}'\widetilde{h}^{-1}))/{
m torsion}$$
 i.e.,  $\mu_1$ 

is equivalent to an H-structure  $\mu'$  which satisfies  $H^*(\mu', Z)/\text{torsion} = H^*(\mu_2, Z)/\text{torsion}$ . Consequently the results follows from the fact that for any H-structure  $\mu$  on X, the number of H-structures  $\mu'$  which satisfy  $H^*(\mu', Z)/\text{torsion} = H^*(\mu, Z)/\text{torsion}$  is finite (this follows from Proposition 3.2(a)).

PROPOSITION 3.7. Let X,  $\mu_0$  be an H-space. Suppose  $H^*(\mu_0, Q)$  is primitively generated, then the number of equivalence classes of H-structures  $\mu$  on X for which  $H^*(\mu, Q)$  is equivalent to  $H^*(\mu_0, Q)$  is finite.

*Proof.* By Proposition 3.6 the number of equivalence classes of H-structures  $\mu$  on X, for which  $H^*(\mu, Z)/\text{torsion}$  is equivalent to  $H^*(\mu_0, Z)/\text{torsion}$  is finite. Hence it suffices to prove that the number of equivalence classes of comultiplications  $H^*(\mu, Z)/\text{torsion}$  ( $\mu: X \times X \to X$  an H-structure) for which  $H^*(\mu, Q)$  is equivalent to  $H^*(\mu_0, Q)$  is finite.

Let A be the set of the comultiplications  $\nu \colon H^*(X,Z)/\text{torsion} \to H^*(X,Z)/\text{torsion} \otimes H^*(X,Z)/\text{torsion}$  which satisfy: There exists a multiplication  $\mu \colon X \times X \to X$  so that  $\nu = H^*(\mu,Z)/\text{torsion}$  and  $H^*(\nu,Q)$  is equivalent to  $H^*(\mu_0,Q)$ . Denote by  $\varphi \colon A \to \text{Hom}(H^*(X,Q),H^*(X,Q) \otimes H^*(X,Q))$  and by  $\eta \colon \text{Aut}(H^*(X,Z)/\text{torsion}) \to \text{Aut}\, H^*(X,Q)$  the obvious maps. Since the kernels of  $\varphi$  and  $\eta$  are finite it suffices to prove [2, Proof of Theorem I] that the number of equivalence classes of Im  $\varphi$  relative to the equivalence relation:  $\varphi(\mu_1) \sim \varphi(\mu_2)$  if and only if there exists  $h \in \text{Im } \eta$  so that  $\varphi(\mu_1)h = (h \otimes h)\varphi(\mu_2)(\mu_1,\mu_2 \in A)$  is finite.

By Curjel [2, 5.2] the fact that the groups  $\operatorname{Hom}(H^*(X,Z)/\operatorname{torsion}, H^*(X,Z)/\operatorname{torsion})$  and  $\operatorname{Hom}(H^*(X,Z)/\operatorname{torsion}, H^*(X,Z)/\operatorname{torsion})$  are finitely generated implies the existence of a basis  $X = \{x_{ij}\}$ , of  $PH^*(X,\mu_0,Q)$ , so that the matrix of every map

 $f \in \text{Hom}(H^*(X, \mathbb{Z})/\text{torsion}, H^*(X, \mathbb{Z})/\text{torsion})$ , with respect to this basis, is integral, and the matrix of every map

 $g \in \text{Hom}(H^*(X, \mathbb{Z})/\text{torsion}, H^*(X, \mathbb{Z})/\text{torsion} \otimes H^*(X, \mathbb{Z})/\text{torsion})$ 

with respect to the basis  $\{x_{ij} \otimes 1, 1 \otimes x_{ij}\}$  of  $PH^*(X \times X, \mu_0, Q)$  is, also, integral. In particular the matrix of every map which belongs either to Im  $\psi$  or to Im  $\eta$ , with respect to the above bases, is integral. Hence the result follows from the following theorem of Samelson-Leray:

Theorem of Samelson-Leray [3, 3 Exp 2]. Let A be an algebra over the integers. Suppose that A has no generators in even dimensions. Then all the associative comultiplications on A are equivalent.

4. Genus and automorphism. Let X and Y be nilpotent CW-complexes of finite type and let  $f: X \to Y$  be a fibration. Denote by G(X) the genus of X and by G(f) the genus of f.

In this section we investigate the relations between  $\operatorname{Aut} X$  and  $\operatorname{Aut} X'$  where  $X' \in G(X)$  and between  $\operatorname{Aut}(f)$  and  $\operatorname{Aut}(f')$  where  $f' \in G(f)$ .

NOTATION. Let X be a nilpotent CW-complex and let  $\varphi: X \to X_0$  be a rationalization. For every prime p and for every  $h \in \operatorname{Aut} X$  denote by  $(h_p)_{\varphi}$  the localization of h at p with respect to  $\varphi$ .

PROPOSITION 4.1. Let X be a nilpotent CW-complex with a finite number of homology groups and let  $p \in P(P - the set of primes)$ . If  $X' \in G(X)$  then  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X \to \operatorname{Aut} X_p)$  is isomorphic to  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X' \to \operatorname{Aut} X_p)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\varphi\colon X\to X_0$  and  $\psi\colon X'\to X_0$  be rationalizations and let  $h\in \operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X\to\operatorname{Aut} X_p)$ . Since for every prime p and for every localization  $\phi_p\colon X_p\to X_0$   $\phi_p(h_p)_\varphi\sim 1_{X_0}\phi_p$ , there exists a unique map  $h'\in\operatorname{Aut} X'$  so that  $(h'_p)_\psi=(h_p)_\psi$  for every prime p [5, II 5.6]. Obviously  $h'\in\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X'\to\operatorname{Aut} X'_p)$ . Hence the map  $\eta\colon\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X\to\operatorname{Aut} X_p)\to\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X'\to\operatorname{Aux} X_p)$  defined by  $\eta(h)=h'$  iff  $(h'_p)_\psi=(h_p)_\varphi$  for every prime p, is a well defined homomorphism. The same considerations imply the existence of a homomorphism  $\eta'\colon\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X'\to\operatorname{Aut} X_p)\to\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X\to\operatorname{Aut} X_p)$  defined by:  $\eta'(k)=k'$  iff  $(k'_p)_\varphi=(k_p)_\psi$  for every prime p. Since  $\eta'\eta$  and  $\eta\eta'$  are identities  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X\to\operatorname{Aut} X_p)$  is isomorphic to  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X'\to\operatorname{Aut} X'_p)$ .

COROLLARY 4.2. Let X be an  $H_0$ -space with either a finite number of homology groups or a finite number of homotopy groups. Then

for every  $X' \in G(X)$  Ker(Aut  $X \to \text{Aut } H^*(X, Q)$ ) is isomorphic to Ker(Aut  $X' \to \text{Aut } H^*(X', Q)$ ).

*Proof.* Since  $X_0 = \Pi K(Q, n_j)$  the result follows from Proposition 4.1.

COROLLARY 4.3. If X and X' are as in Corollary 4.2 then  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X \to \operatorname{Aut} H_*(X,Z))$  is isomorphic to

$$\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X' \longrightarrow \operatorname{Aut} H_*(X', Z))$$
.

*Proof.* Let  $\eta$  and  $\eta'$  be as in the proof of Proposition 4.1. We have to show that  $\eta(\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X \to \operatorname{Aut} H_*(X, Z)) \subseteq \operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X' \to \operatorname{Aut} H_*(X', Z))$  and that  $\eta'(\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X' \to \operatorname{Aut} H_*(X', Z)) \subseteq \operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X \to \operatorname{Aut} H_*X, Z))$ .

Suppose  $h \in \operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X \to \operatorname{Aut} H_*(X,Z))$  and  $\eta(h) = h'$ . The definition of  $\eta$  and the fact that for every prime  $p \ H_*(h,Z) \otimes Z_{(p)} = 1(Z_{(p)} - \operatorname{the localization of} Z \operatorname{at} p)$  imply for every prime  $p \ H_*(h',Z) \otimes Z_{(p)} = 1$ . Hence it follows from Hilton-Mislin and Roitberg [5, I. 3.13] that  $h' \in \operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X' \to \operatorname{Aut} H^*(X',Z))$ . The proof that  $\eta'(\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X' \to \operatorname{Aut} H_*(X,Z))) \subseteq \operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X \to \operatorname{Aut} H_*(X,Z))$  is similar.

PROPOSITION 4.4. Let X and X' be as in 4.2. If Aut X is finite then Aut X is isomorphic to Aut X'.

*Proof.* Let  $h \in \operatorname{Aut} X$  and let  $\varphi \colon X \to X_0$  be a rationalization. Since X is an  $H_0$ -space and  $\operatorname{Aut} X$  is finite imply that  $\operatorname{Aut} X_0$  is abelian. For every prime p and for every localization  $\phi_p \colon X_p \to X_0$   $\phi_p(h_p)_\varphi \sim (h_0)_\varphi \phi_p$ . Hence the proof is similar to the proof of Proposition 4.1.

NOTATIONS. Let X be an  $H_0$ -space with either a finite number of homology groups or a finite number of homotopy groups, and let  $\varphi \colon X \to K(X)$   $(K(X)) = K(QH^*(X, Z)/\text{torsion})$  be a rational equivalence. Denote by:

- (a)  $X(p,\varphi)$  the space which satisfies: There exists a factorization of  $\varphi$   $X \xrightarrow{\varphi'(p)} X(p,\varphi) \xrightarrow{\varphi''(p)} K(X)$ , where  $\varphi'$  is a mod -p equivalence
- and  $\varphi''$  is a mod  $P\stackrel{\varphi}{-}p$  equivalence. (Such a space exists by [9, 4.3.1]).
- (b) N(X) the least integer which satisfies: For every n > N(Z) either  $\pi_n X = 0$  or  $H_n X = 0$  ( $\pi_n if X$  has a finite number of homotopy groups,  $H_n if X$  is finite dimensional).
  - (c) t the least integer divisible by

$$\prod_{n \leq N(X)} |\operatorname{torsion}(H^n(X, Z))| \cdot |\operatorname{torsion}(\pi_n(\operatorname{fiber} \varphi))|.$$

LEMMA 4.5. Let X and  $\varphi$  be as in the notations. Then the map Aut  $X(p, \varphi) \to \text{Aut } X_v$  is monic.

*Proof.* Let  $h \in \operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X(p, \varphi) \to \operatorname{Aut} X_p)$ . Since  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X(p, \varphi) \to \operatorname{Aut} X_p)$  contains  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X(p, \varphi) \to \operatorname{Aut} X_0)$  and  $X(p, \varphi)$  is an  $H_0$ -space,  $\varphi''(p)h \sim \varphi''(p)$ , i.e., for every prime p h is mod-p homotopic to the identity, hence h is homotopic to the identity [5, II 5.3].

PROPOSITION 4.6. Let X be an  $H_0$ -space either with a finite number of homology groups or with a finite number of homotopy groups. If  $H^*(X, Z)$  is torsion free, then  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut} X \to \operatorname{Aut} X_q)(q \in P)$  is a direct product of finite p-groups,  $p \neq q$ , p/t.

*Proof.* Let  $\varphi\colon X\to K(X)$  be a rational equivalence which represents generators of  $H^*(X,Z)$ . By Lemma 4.5 Ker(Aut  $X\to \operatorname{Aut} X_p$ ) is isomorphic to Ker(Aut  $X\to \operatorname{Aut} X(p,\varphi)$ ). Hence the fact that X is the pullback of the maps  $X(p,\varphi)\xrightarrow{p''(\varphi)}K(X)(p/t)$  [9, 4.7.2] and that Ker(Aut  $X(p,\varphi)\to \operatorname{Aut} K(X)$ ) is a finite p-group [10, 2.9] implies the result.

PROPOSITION 4.7. Let X, Y be nilpotent spaces with finite number of homology groups and let  $f: X \to Y$  be a fibration. Then for every  $f' \in G(f)(f': X' \to Y')$  and for every prime p,  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut}(f) \to \operatorname{Aut}(f_p))$  is isomorphic to  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut}(f) \to \operatorname{Aut}(f_p))$  is isomorphic to  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut}(f') \to \operatorname{Aut}(f_p'))$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\varphi: X \to X_0$ ,  $\psi: Y \to Y_0$ ,  $\varphi': X' \to X_0$  and  $\psi': Y' \to Y_0$  be rationalizations. Assume that  $f_p$  is the localization of f with respect to  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  and that  $f'_p$  is the localization of f' with respect to  $\varphi'$  and  $\psi'$ . Since  $f'_p$  is homotopy equivalent to  $f_p$  one can choose decompositions of  $\varphi'$  and  $\psi'$ 

$$X' \xrightarrow{\varphi'_p} X_p \xrightarrow{} X_0$$
,  $Y' \xrightarrow{\psi'_p} Y_p \xrightarrow{} Y_0$ 

so that  $f_p \varphi_p' \sim \psi_p' f'$  [6, 2.1.2]. Consequently, the considerations of the proof of Proposition 4.1 imply that for every pair  $(h, k) \in \operatorname{Aut} f$  there exists a unique pair  $(h', k') \in \operatorname{Aut} f'$ , which satisfies  $((h'_p)_{\varphi'}, (k'_p)_{\psi'}) = ((h_p)_{\varphi}, (k_p)_{\psi})$  for every prime p and therefore  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut}(f) \to \operatorname{Aut}(f_p))$  is isomorphic to  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut}(f') \to \operatorname{Aut}(f'_p))$ .

COROLLARY 4.8. Let X, Y be as in Proposition 4.2 and  $f: X \to Y$  be a fibration. Then for every  $f' \in G(f) \operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut}(f) \to \operatorname{Aut} H^*(f, Q))$  is isomorphic to  $\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut}(f') \to \operatorname{Aut} H^*(f', Q))$ .

COROLLARY 4.9. Let f and f' be as in Corollary 4.8. Then  $Ker(Auf(f) \rightarrow Aut H_*(f, Z))$  is isomorphic to

$$\operatorname{Ker}(\operatorname{Aut}(f') \longrightarrow \operatorname{Aut} H_*(f', Z))$$
.

*Proof.* Similar to the proof of Corollary 4.3.

PROPOSITION 4.10. Let f and f' be as in Corollary 4.8. If Aut(f) is finite, then Aut(f) is isomorphic to Aut(f').

*Proof.* Let  $\varphi: X \to X_0$  and  $\psi: Y \to Y_0$  be rationalizations. Since  $f_0$  is homotopy equivalent to  $f_0'$  one can choose rationalization  $\varphi': X' \to X_0$  and  $\psi': Y' \to Y_0$  so that  $f_0 \varphi' \sim \psi' f'$ . Hence the result follows from the fact that Aut  $X_0$  and Aut  $Y_0$  are abelian groups. (The proof is similar to the proof of Proposition 4.7).

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