

Kawauchi's second duality and knotted surfaces in 4-sphere

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§1. Introduction

Let M be a compact connected oriented n -dimensional topological manifold with an integral cohomology class $\gamma \in H^1(M; \mathbb{Z})$ of infinite order. Then we have the infinite cyclic covering space \tilde{M} over M associated with γ and the finitely generated A -modules

$$H_*(\tilde{M}) = H_*(\tilde{M}; \mathbb{Z}) \text{ and } H_*(\tilde{M}, \partial\tilde{M}) = H_*(\tilde{M}, \partial\tilde{M}; \mathbb{Z}).$$

Here A is the integral group ring of the infinite cyclic group generated by t , and t acts on these homology groups by the induced isomorphisms of the generator specified by γ of the covering transformation group.

Now, we recall the result of A. Kawauchi on these A -modules, by using the following notations for any finitely generated A -module H :

DH = the unique maximal finite A -submodule of H ,

$\text{tor}_A H$ (resp. $\text{tor } H$) = the A - (resp. \mathbb{Z} -) torsion part of H ,

$BH = H/\text{tor}_A H$, $E^i H = \text{Ext}_A^i(H, A)$ = the i -th Ext-group over A .

THEOREM 1 (Kawauchi's second duality theorem [7]). *Let p and q be integers with $p + q = n - 2$. Then there exist t -anti A -epimorphisms*

$$\theta_p: DH_p(\tilde{M}) \longrightarrow E^1 BH_{q+1}(\tilde{M}, \partial\tilde{M}), \quad \theta'_q: DH_q(\tilde{M}, \partial\tilde{M}) \longrightarrow E^1 BH_{p+1}(\tilde{M})$$

such that the finite A -submodules $\text{Ker } \theta_p$ and $\text{Ker } \theta'_q$ are dual by a t -isometric, $(-1)^{pq+1}$ -symmetric and non-singular pairing

$$\ell: \text{Ker } \theta_p \times \text{Ker } \theta'_q \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z} \text{ } (\mathbb{Q}: \text{the rational number field}).$$

Moreover, this pairing is a proper oriented homotopy invariant.

In this paper, we study this pairing in a geometric way under the following assumption (*), and give some applications on knotted surfaces in S^4 .

(*) For M and γ of above, assume that the Poincaré dual of γ in $H_{n-1}(M, \partial M)$ can be represented by a bicollared proper oriented $(n-1)$ -dimensional submanifold V of M , which may be regarded as $V \subset \tilde{M}$.

Under this assumption, we have the linking pairing