

# Errata and Addenda for the 2014 revision of “Four-Manifolds, Geometries and Knots”

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Starred references refer to new items in the bibliography below.

**Fonts:** The “blackboard bold” font has been used

- (1) for the standard coefficient rings  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbb{C}$ ;
- (2) to distinguish geometries  $\mathbb{X}$  from their associated model spaces  $X$ ;
- (3) to distinguish the (based) infinite cyclic group  $\mathbb{Z}$  from unbased infinite cyclic groups  $Z$ ; and
- (4) (in §2.9 and Theorem 4.1 only) to denote hyper(co)homology.

However, these principles have not been applied consistently. In particular, the blackboard bold font should have been used for twisted integer coefficient modules  $\mathbb{Z}^u$  in (co)homology groups, and also for vector spaces  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . I have not attempted to list all the occasions in which the font should have been changed. (The changes have been made in the version on my home page.)

I have also replaced  $\leq$  and  $\geq$  by  $\leqq$  and  $\geqq$  (respectively) throughout.

## Chapter 1:

page 4, line 6; add “of finite index” after “under taking subgroups”.

page 7: A line dropped out of the first sentence of the proof of Theorem 1.5, in an earlier revision. “torsion - abelian” should be “torsion-free nilpotent, by Proposition 5.2.19 of [Ro]. We may assume that  $G$  is not abelian”.

page 7, line -4: “ $Z \times \Gamma_q$ ” should be “ $\Gamma_q \times Z$ ”.

§1.7: In several places, when considering the  $E^2$  page of an LHS spectral sequence (e.g., in Theorems 2.12 and 8.1), I have used without comment the fact that if  $M$  is a left  $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module and  $M|_1$  is the underlying abelian group then  $M \otimes \mathbb{Z}[G]$  (with the diagonal  $G$ -action) is canonically isomorphic to the induced module  $M|_1 \otimes \mathbb{Z}[G]$ . Hence  $H^p(G/N; H^q(N; \mathbb{Z}[G])) \cong H^p(G/N; \mathbb{Z}[G/N]) \otimes H^q(N; \mathbb{Z}[N])$ , if  $G$  is  $FP_p$  and  $N$  is  $FP_q$ . This should have been stated here. (See Lemma 5.6 of [Bi].)

page 18, lines 7-9: replace “and since ... contradicts” by “ $nn' \in N$  also. But  $nn' = ngn^{-1}$  has infinite order in  $G$ , by”.

page 22, line 11: add “Let  $\sigma : G \rightarrow \pi$  be a (setwise) section of the projection”.

## Chapter 2:

page 34, lines 11-14: if  $X$  and  $Y$  are  $PD_n$ -complexes and  $Y$  is non-orientable then a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  such that  $f^*w_1(Y) = w_1(X)$  only determines a homomorphism from  $H_n(X; \mathbb{Z}^{w_1(X)})$  to  $H_n(Y; \mathbb{Z}^{w_1(Y)})$  up to sign, as one must choose a lift  $f^+ : X^+ \rightarrow Y^+$ . A similar issue arises with other non-constant local coefficient systems. (See [Ta08]\* for a thorough discussion of the subtleties here. This oversight has no serious consequences for the present work.)

page 37, line 5: “ $X = P$ ” should be “ $X = P_{(n)}$ ”.

page 39, line -13: “ $c.d\sqrt{G}$ ” should be “ $c.d.\sqrt{G}$ ”.

page 40, line -11: “ $c.dU_i$ ” should be “ $c.d.U_i$ ”.

page 41, lines 21-22: if  $\chi(H) < 0$  this follows from the finite divisibility of  $\chi(H)$ .

page 43, line -11: “[KK05]” should be “[Ca07]”.

page 44, middle: the identification of  $k_1(X)$  with an iterated extension class deserves comment, as I have not found a published proof. We may construct a  $K(\pi, 1)$  by adjoining cells of dimension  $\geq 3$  to  $X$ , and  $k_1(X)$  is then the primary

obstruction to retracting  $K(\pi, 1)$  onto  $X$ . An application of the Homotopy Addition Theorem (see §7.5 of [Sp]) to the standard 3-cocycle representing  $k_1(X)$  shows that it is the composite of the projection of the 2-cycles  $Z_2$  onto  $H_2(X; \mathbb{Z}[\pi])$  with the inverse of the Hurewicz isomorphism, and so represents the class of the extension.

If  $P$  is aspherical no additive natural transformation takes  $k_1(P) = 0$  to  $[P]$ .

### Chapter 3:

page 48, line -7: “ $H_3(D_*) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}[\pi]} Z$ ” should be “ $\mathbb{Z} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}[\pi]} H_3(D_*)$ ”.

page 49, lines 1-2: the text should be in *slanted* font.

page 49, lines -9 and -3: “Weak” should be “Strong” [Bass Conjecture].

page 52, Theorem 3.8: the triple  $(P_2(M), w_1(M), f_{M*}[M])$  is a complete invariant of the homotopy type, for  $M$  a  $PD_4$ -complex [BB08]\*. However which such triples are thus realized is not known.

page 55, line 23: “[Hi08]” should be “[Hi13b]”.

page 66, lines 20-24: in the orientable case  $w_2$  suffices [Hi13c, HKT09].

page 67, line 13: In Lemma 3.18(5), add “ $\pi$  is infinite”. (In fact  $|\pi| > 2$  suffices.)

### Chapter 4:

page 70, line 22: the final comma should be a full stop.

page 71, line 20: “ $(|\mathbb{Z}[G]|^G)^n$ ” should be “ $\mathbb{Z}[G]^n|_1^G$ ”.

page 80, Corollary 4.5.3 *et seq.*: the homotopy types of such mapping tori are determined by  $\pi$ ,  $w_1(M)$  and the orbit of  $w_2(M)$  under the action of  $Out(\pi)$ . See Theorem 35 of [Hi13c].

**Chapter 5:** page 93, line 2: “ $]\pi/K : p(C_\pi(K))$ ” should be “ $[\pi/K : p(C_\pi(K))$ ”.

page 94, Corollary 5.6.1: N.Salter has shown that for each  $n \geq 1$  there are such groups  $\pi$  with  $\chi(\pi) = 24n - 8$  which have at least  $2^n$  distinct subgroups  $K$  such that  $K$  and  $\pi/K$  are orientable [Sa15]\*.

(On the other hand, Cor. 5.6.1 leads to an upper bound of  $d^{2d+3}$ , where  $d = \frac{\chi(\pi)}{4}$ . Moreover, if  $\chi(\pi) \geq 16$  then at most  $2^{\chi(\pi)}$  of these have  $|\chi(\pi/K)| > \log \chi(\pi)$ .)

### Chapter 6:

page 113, lines 9-10: this clause should read

“surfaces with nonempty boundary other than  $D^2$  or the annulus”.

page 121, lines -5, -4: “ $D$  should be “ $\mathcal{D}$ ”.

page 124, lines 7 and 8: closed orientable 4-manifolds  $M$  with  $\chi(M) = 0$  and  $\pi \cong Z*_m$  are also determined up to homeomorphism by  $\pi$  and  $w(M)$  [Hi09, HKT09].

### Chapter 7:

page 141, lines 17 to -10: add “, and  $M$  is aspherical” to first sentence, delete the rest of the paragraph, and close the gap to the next paragraph.

page 144, line -5: “9.8” should be “9.9”.

### Chapter 8:

page 161, line -2: we should have observed here that if  $G$  is orientable and  $J$  and  $\tilde{J}$  are both non-orientable then  $J*_\phi \tilde{J}$  is orientable, and so has infinite abelianization.

page 162, line 22: The last relation in the presentation given for  $G_2 *_\phi B_2$  is redundant, and so this group has a 2-generator presentation of deficiency 0.

page 176, lines -11 to -5: The sentence beginning “No other bases ...” and the material in parentheses is wrong. In fact,  $P(2,2)$  and  $\mathbb{D}(2,2)$  do occur as Seifert bases of  $Sol^3 \times \mathbb{E}^1$ -manifolds. The original version of [Hi13d] was seriously flawed; a revision has appeared, as [Hi18].

**Chapter 9:**

- page 179, line 16: “Little” should be “Relatively little”.
- page 179, lines 21-23: delete “orientable” and “(excepting ...  $\widetilde{\mathbb{S}\mathbb{L}} \times \mathbb{E}^1$ )”.
- page 181, lines 6-7: yes,  $[\pi : \rho] = \infty$  suffices here. See [Hi17]\*.
- page 182, line 16: add “, which is Corollary 9.6.2 below” after “[Ke]”.
- page 182, line 22: Proposition 8.27 of [Rg] needs also that compact factors of  $G_o/Rad(G)$  act nontrivially on  $Rad(G)$  [Ge15]\*. This holds in Theorem 9.3.
- page 192, line -3: “almost coherent. (See §1” should be “coherent. (See §4”.
- page 193, line -12: add “(See [BJS17].)”.

**Chapter 10:**

- page 199, line 11: the sentence should end with a fullstop.
- page 216, line 2: delete “and only if”.

**Chapter 11:**

- page 221, line -2, to page 222, line 3: the details need some correction, as powers of  $z^3$  were overlooked (when  $k > 1$ ). The strategy and conclusion are correct.
- page 222, lines 5 and 6: the presentation for  $I^*$  should be  $\langle y, z \mid (yz)^2 = y^3 = z^5 \rangle$ .
- page 222, line 6: “ $x, y$  to  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $y =$ ” should be “ $y, z$  to  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ ”.
- page 222, line 20: “ $x^3y$ ” should be “ $z^4$ ”.
- page 232, line 6: insert “(except in the final sentence)” after “orientable”.

**Chapter 12:**

- page 238, in §4, at the end of the subsection on  $\pi = Z/2Z$ : add “In each case,  $xSq^1u = Sq^1(xu) + x^2u = 0$ , and so  $Sq^1u = 0$ .”.
- pages 241–244: “ $\Gamma(\Pi) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}[\pi]} Z^w$ ” should be “ $Z^w \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}[\pi]} \Gamma(\Pi)$ ” throughout §12.6.

**Chapter 13:**

- page 258, line -10: insert “ $> 0$ ” after “Euler characteristic”.
- page 258, line -5: insert “[Re06]” after  $M_2$ .
- page 259, line 13: insert “with  $\chi(E) > 0$ ” after “ $E$ ”.
- page 259, line 15: add “There are non-geometric examples. One with  $B$  and  $F$  of genus 2 and  $\text{Im}(\theta) \cong D$  is given in [Hi11].” to this paragraph.
- page 259, line 18: “ $G$ ” should be “ $\mathcal{G}$ ”.

**Chapter 14:**

- page 279, line 14: the smallest possible HNN base is  $Q(16)$  [BH17]\*.
- page 281, lines -9 to -7: replace: “finitely ... and 16.3” by “ $\mathbb{Z} \oplus (Z/2Z)$  or is finite. (See Theorem 15.8”. [The results of Chapter 15 have been improved.]
- page 293, line -6: “, the” should be “, this”.

**Chapter 15:**

- page 295, line -1: “central subgroups” should be “copies of  $\mathbb{Z}$ ”.
- page 299, line 13: “Theorem 15.3” should be “Theorem 15.5”.
- page 300, line 5: “rank” should be “Hirsch number”.
- page 301, lines 1-2: this sentence should read “The five possibilities in case (2) derive from Theorem 15.5”.
- page 301, lines 7 and 17; “Lemma 15.6” should be “Lemma 15.7”.
- page 302, lines 2-3: yes,  $\sqrt{\pi}$  is nilpotent, for all 2-knot groups  $\pi$ . See [Hi17]\*.
- page 302, Corollary 15.8.2: insert “is” after “If  $\pi$ ”.
- page 302, line -5: “ $\zeta\pi \cong \mathbb{Z}$ ” should be “ $\zeta\pi' \cong \mathbb{Z}$ ”.
- page 302, line -3: the relations should read “ $ta_it^{-1} = b_{n-i}$ ,  $tb_it^{-1} = a_{n-i}b_{n-i}$ ”.

page 305, lines -11 and -6: “[Yo82]” should be “[Yo80]”.

page 306, lines 10-21: this paragraph is based on a wrong presentation for  $I^*$ .  
(Such groups have 3-generator presentations of deficiency  $-1$ , if  $n > 1$ .)

[Chapter 15 has since been completely rewritten, to incorporate [Hi17]\*.]

**Chapter 16:**

page 311, line 11: replace “most such” by “all such”.

page 316, line 2: insert “(up to Gluck reconstruction)” after “is”.

page 316, line 23: “N” should be “ $N$ ”.

page 319, line 1 of text: “ $h(\sqrt{\pi K})$ ” should be “ $h(\sqrt{\pi \overline{K}})$ ”.

**Chapter 17:**

page 328, line 16: replace “[Hi09]” by “. (See §17.6 below.)”.

page 335, line 16: insert “with 1-connected boundary” after “5-manifold”.

page 340: A phrase dropped out of the proof of Theorem 17.14, in an earlier revision. Insert “[Wl86].) Since  $\pi$  meets” between “3.3 of” and “ $\zeta Isom_o(\mathbb{S}\mathbb{L} \times \mathbb{E}^1)$ ”.

**Chapter 18:**

page 356, lines 3-10: the formulation of twist spinning used here is from [Ze65].

page 356, line 8: “ $(S, \theta)$ ” should be “ $(s, \theta)$ ”.

page 356: expand the final two sentences of the proof of Theorem 18.14 as follows

“Let  $\alpha$  be the automorphism of  $\pi$  given by  $\alpha(t) = t^{-1}$ ,  $\alpha(x) = x$  and  $\alpha(y) = y$ . If there were an automorphism  $\theta$  such that  $\theta(u^n t) = (u^n t)^{-1}$  then  $\alpha c_t \theta(u^n t) = u^{-n} t$ . Hence if  $n \neq 0$  then  $K$  is not +amphicheiral.”

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