The Geography problem on 4-manifolds: $\frac{10}{8} + 4$

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Fact

Q: not even Q can be realized by a connected sum of copies of $\mathbb{C}P^2$ and $\overline{\mathbb{C}P^2}$





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Conjecture (version 2)

Any closed smooth spin 4-manifold M must satisfy the inequality

$$b_2(M) \geq rac{11}{8}|\operatorname{sign}(M)|,$$

where $b_2(M)$ and sign(M) are the second Betti number and the signature of M, respectively.

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Lower bound

Classical Adams spectral sequence



Some relations in π_*S^0

- ► π₄ = 0
- ► $\pi_5 = 0$
- ► $\pi_{12} = 0$
- ► $\pi_{13} = 0$
- ▶ $\eta \cdot \pi_6 = 0$
- ► $\pi_8 \cdot \eta^2 = 0$













Now we start the induction



































Intuition for a technical step




Another mini-movie



















































Thank you!