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# Counterexamples in 4-manifold topology

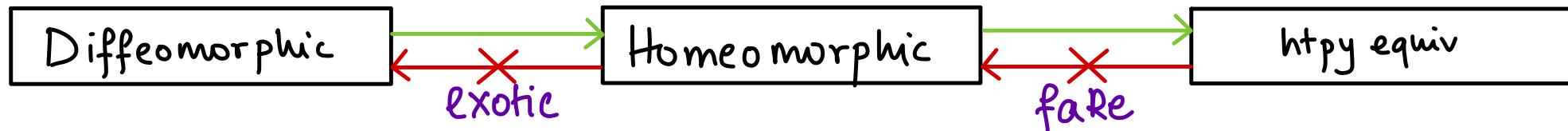
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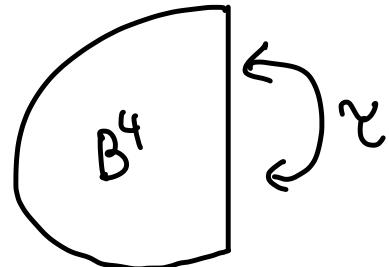


Manifolds will be closed, connected .

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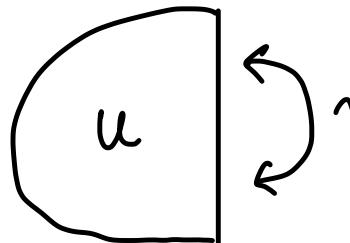


$$\mathbb{R}\mathbb{P}^4 := \mathbb{B}^4 / \begin{matrix} x \sim \tau(x) \\ x \in \partial \mathbb{B}^4 \end{matrix}$$



$\exists \gamma: \partial \mathbb{B}^4 \rightarrow$  sm, free  
involution  
(antipodal map)

Cappell-Shaneson  
Fintushel-Stern

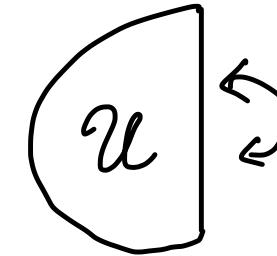


$U$  sm, compact, contractible,  
 $\partial U \cong \Sigma(3,5,19)$   
 $\exists \gamma: \partial U \rightarrow$  sm, free inv.

$$R := U / \begin{matrix} x \sim \tau(x) \\ x \in \partial U \end{matrix}$$

$R \not\cong \mathbb{R}\mathbb{P}^4$   
 $R \approx \mathbb{R}\mathbb{P}^4$

Ruberman



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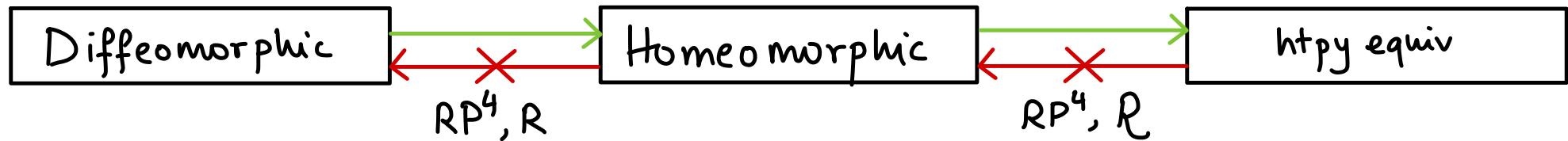
$R \cong \mathbb{R}\mathbb{P}^4$   
 $R \not\cong \mathbb{R}\mathbb{P}^4$

$U$  top, compact, contr  
 $\partial U \cong \Sigma(5,9,13)$

$\exists \gamma: \partial U \rightarrow$  sm, free  
involution

$RS(R) \neq 0 \Rightarrow R$  not  
smoothable

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Other examples of exotic mflds.

$E(1), E(1)_{2,3}$  [Donaldson]  
 $E(1)_{1/2}$

$\mathbb{CP}^2 \# 9\overline{\mathbb{CP}}^2$  Simply connected  
=> orientable

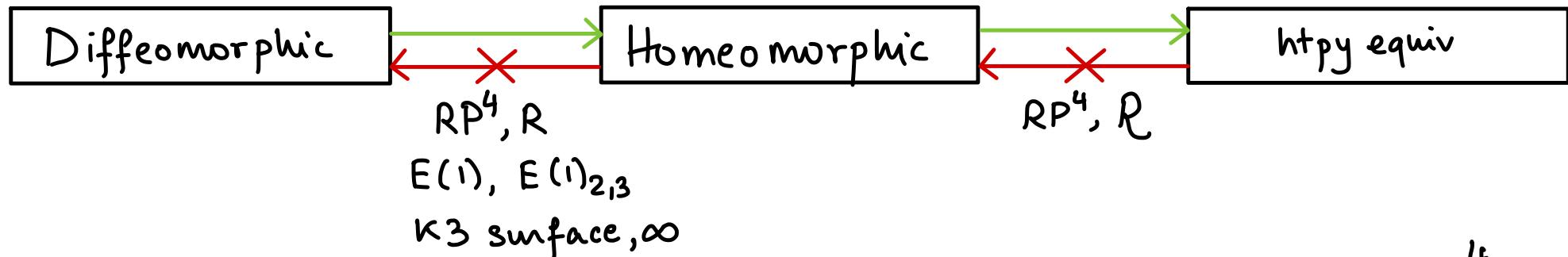
$E(2)_{2,q}, q \text{ odd}$

K3 surface admits infinitely  
many sm. str.  
[Fintushel Stern]

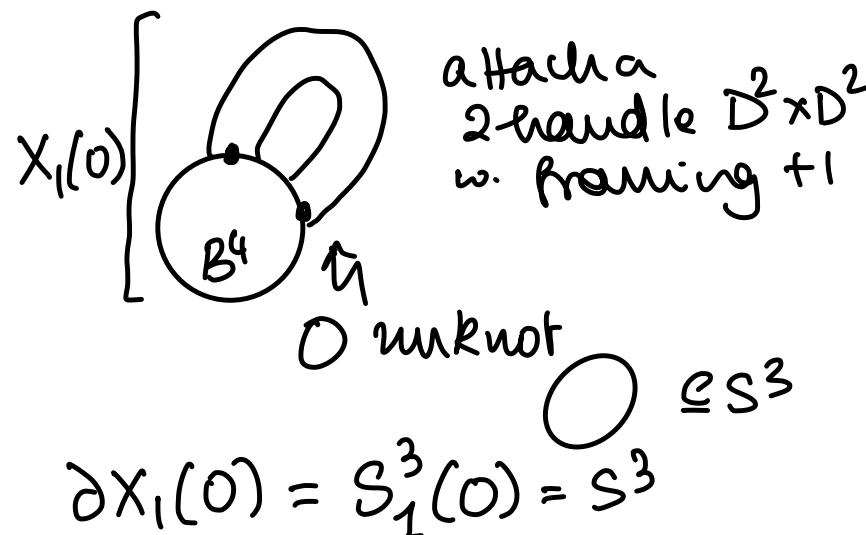
Problem: find exotic mflds with low euler characteristic

e.g.  $\mathbb{CP}^2 \# 2\overline{\mathbb{CP}}^2$  has a sm. str. [Akbulut-Park]

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$$\mathbb{CP}^2 := X_1(0) \cup B^4$$



$*\mathbb{CP}^2 := X_1(\text{RHT}) \cup C^4$   
 Chern manifold [Freedman]

$X_1(\text{RHT})$

$D^2 \times D^2$  with framing +1

RHT

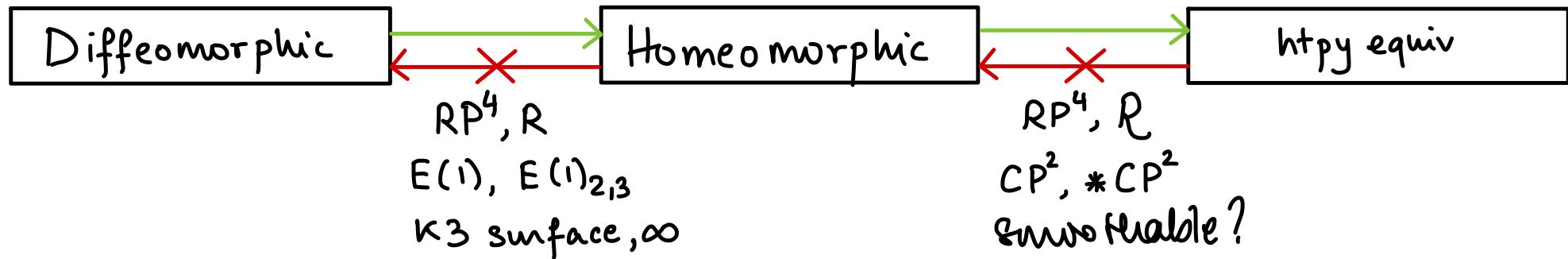
$P$

$\partial X_1(\text{RHT}) = S^3_1(\text{RHT}) = \text{Poincaré hom. sphere}$   
 [Freedman]  $P = \partial C^4$ ,  $C$  compact contractible

$*\mathbb{CP}^2 \cong \mathbb{CP}^2$   
 [Wall]

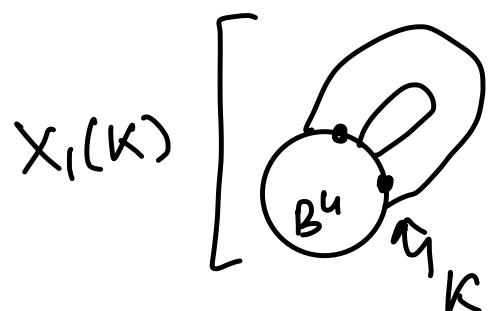
$\text{RS}(*\mathbb{CP}^2) \neq 0$   
 $\Rightarrow$  not smoothable

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$\mathbb{RP}^4 \# \mathbb{CP}^2$  and  $\mathbb{R} \# * \mathbb{CP}^2$   
 ↪ smoothable [Ruberman-Stern]

Fact:  $\exists$  knot  $K$  s.t.  $S_1^3(K) \cong \Sigma(5, 9, 13)$



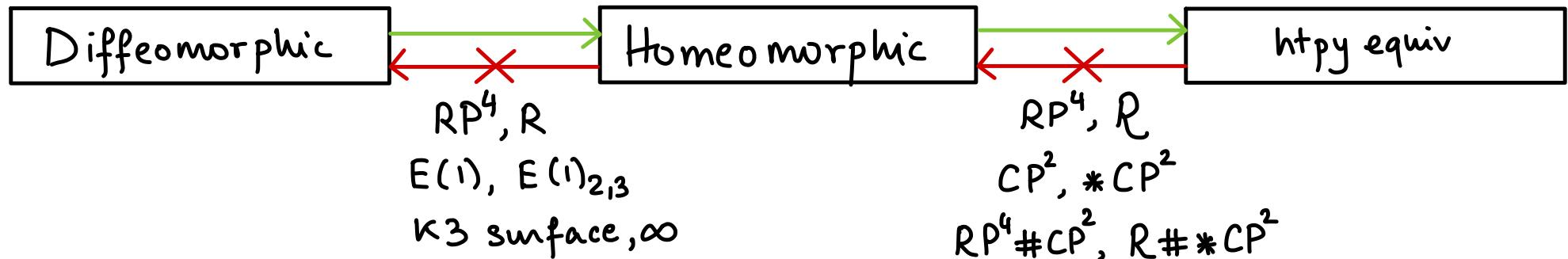
$D^2 \times D^L$  to  $K$   
 with framing +1

$$\partial X_1(K) = S_1^3(K) = \Sigma(5, 9, 13)$$

$$\mathbb{R} \# * \mathbb{CP}^2 \approx X_1(K) / \begin{matrix} \sim \\ x \sim \gamma(x) \\ x \in \partial X_1(K) \end{matrix}$$

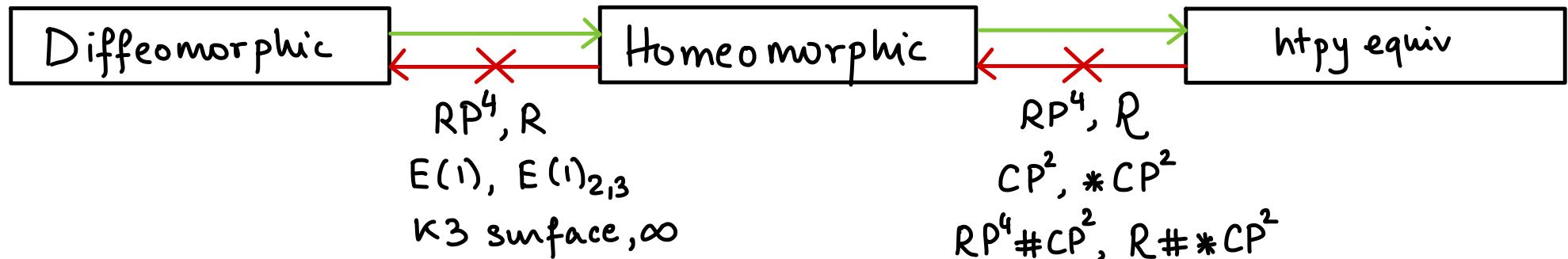
$\mathbb{R} \# * \mathbb{CP}^2 \not\cong \mathbb{RP}^4 \# \mathbb{CP}^2$  [Hambleton-Kreck-Teichner]

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Do  $\exists$  sm, orientable, simply connected, fake 4-mflds? No.  
[Wall + Freedman]

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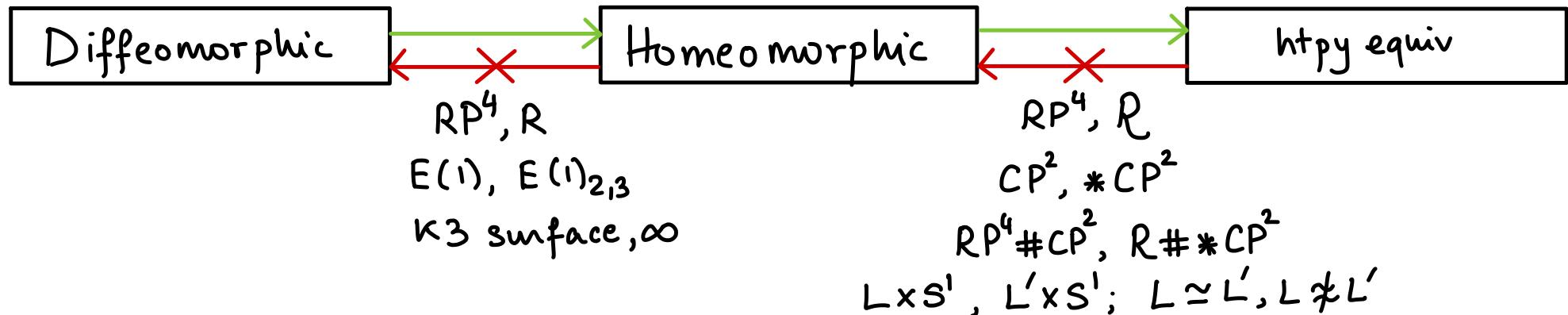


Do  $\exists$  sm, orientable, simply connected, fake 4-mflds?

Let lens spaces  $L, L'$  s.t.  $L \cong L'$  but  $L \not\cong L'$ .

[Turaev]  $L \times S^1 \cong L' \times S^1$  but  $L \times S^1 \not\cong L' \times S^1$ .

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Do  $\exists$  infinitely many sm, orientable, fake 4-mflds? Open.

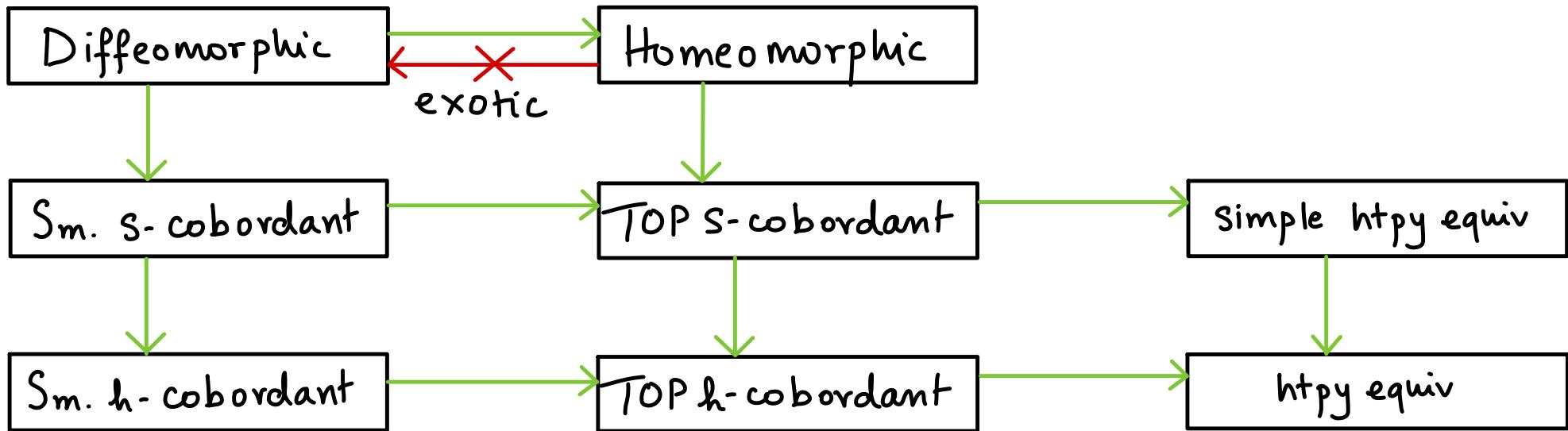
$\exists \infty$  many TOP orientable, fake 4-mflds.

$$p \geq 3 \text{ odd} \quad L_{p,q} \times S^1$$

[Kwasik-Schultz]

$\exists \infty$  many  $M \cong L_{p,q} \times S^1$   
 $M \not\cong L_{p,q} \times S^1$ .

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A htpy equiv  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is simple if its Whitehead torsion  $\tau(f) \in \text{Wh}(\pi_1 X)$  is trivial.

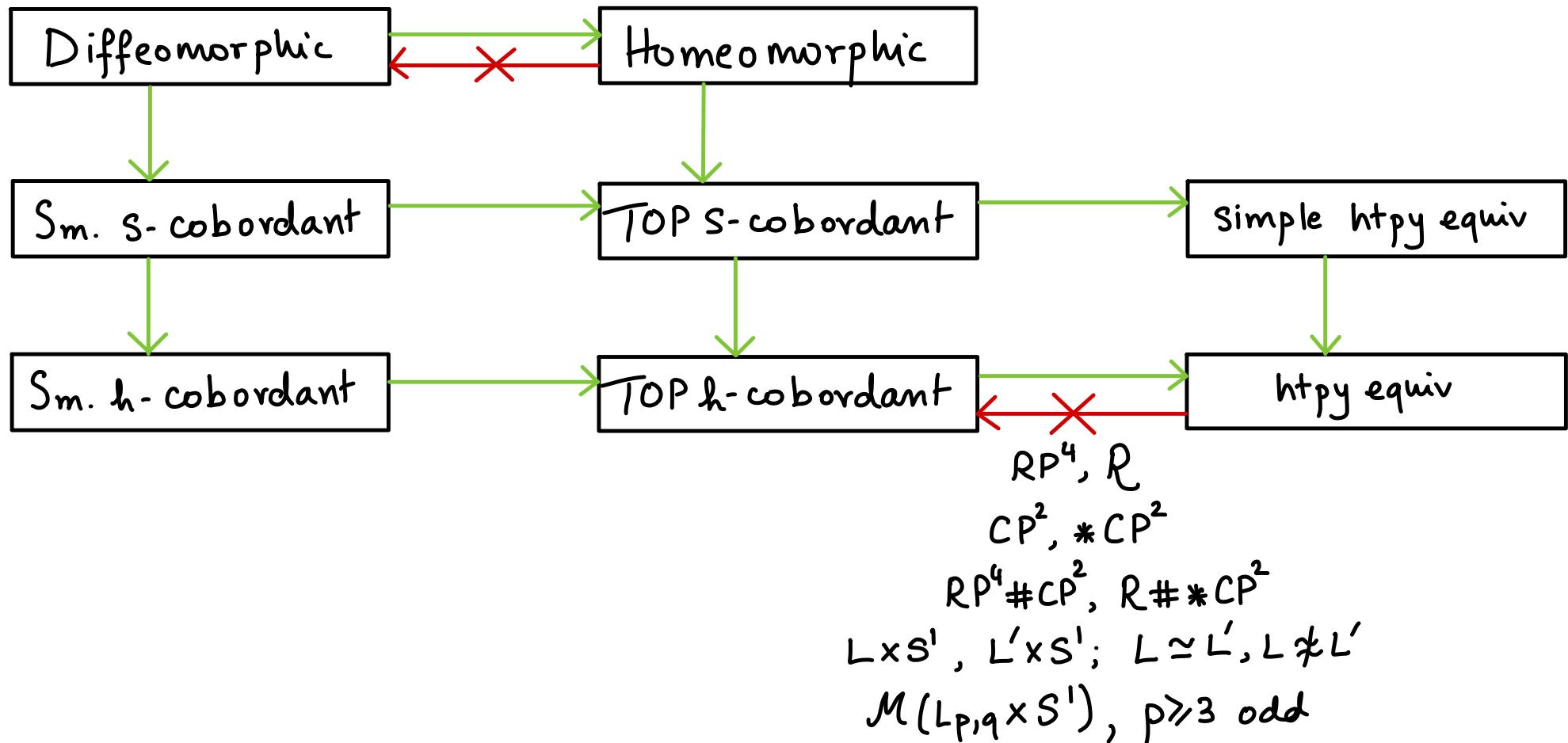
$M^4, N^4$  are h-cobordant if  $\exists$



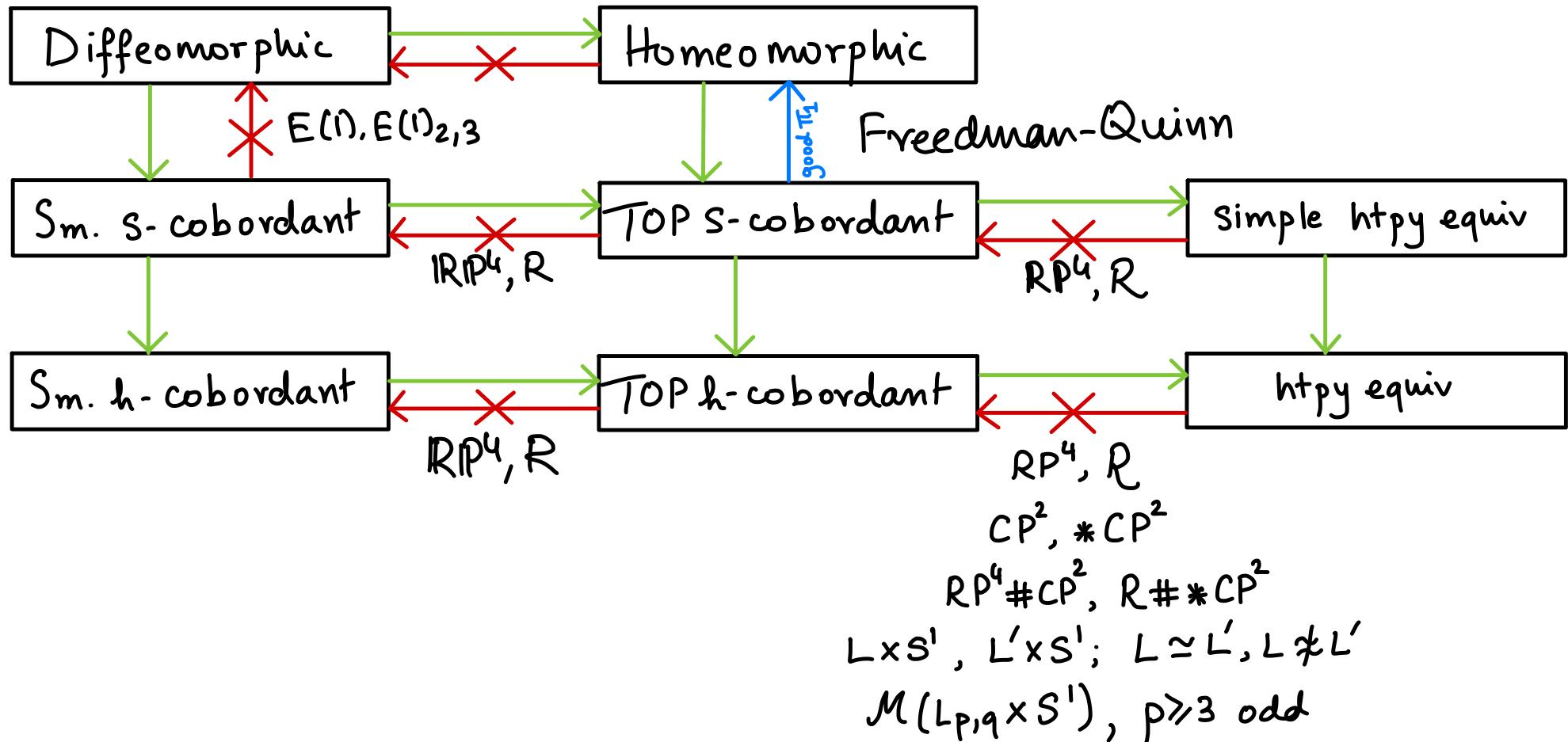
s.t.  $M \hookrightarrow W$  and  $N \hookrightarrow W$  htpy equiv.

if simple htpy equiv,  
then  $W$  is an s-cob.

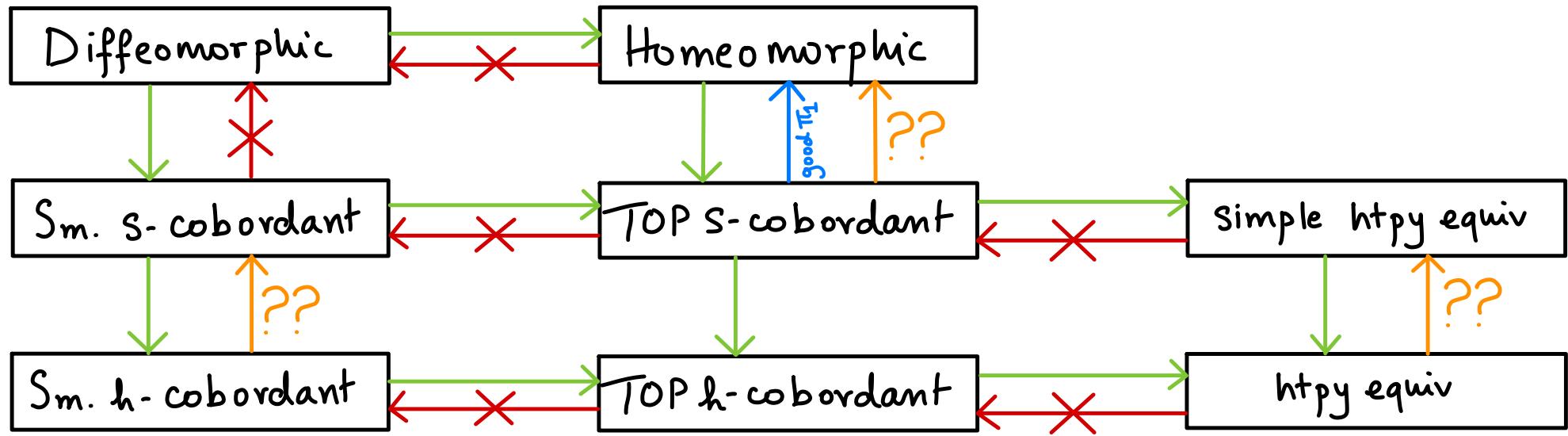
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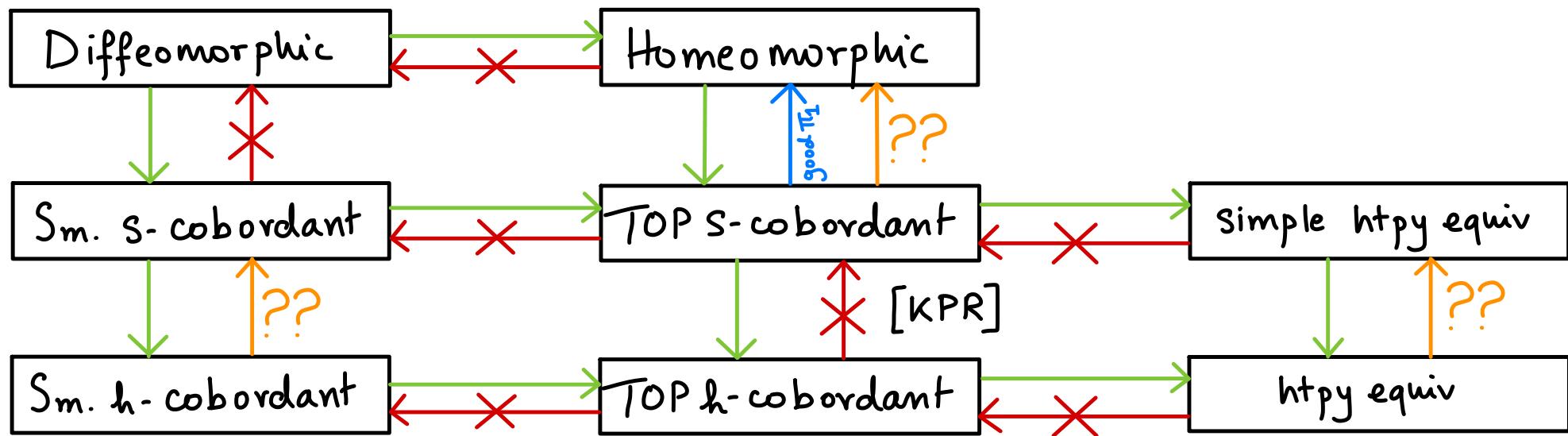
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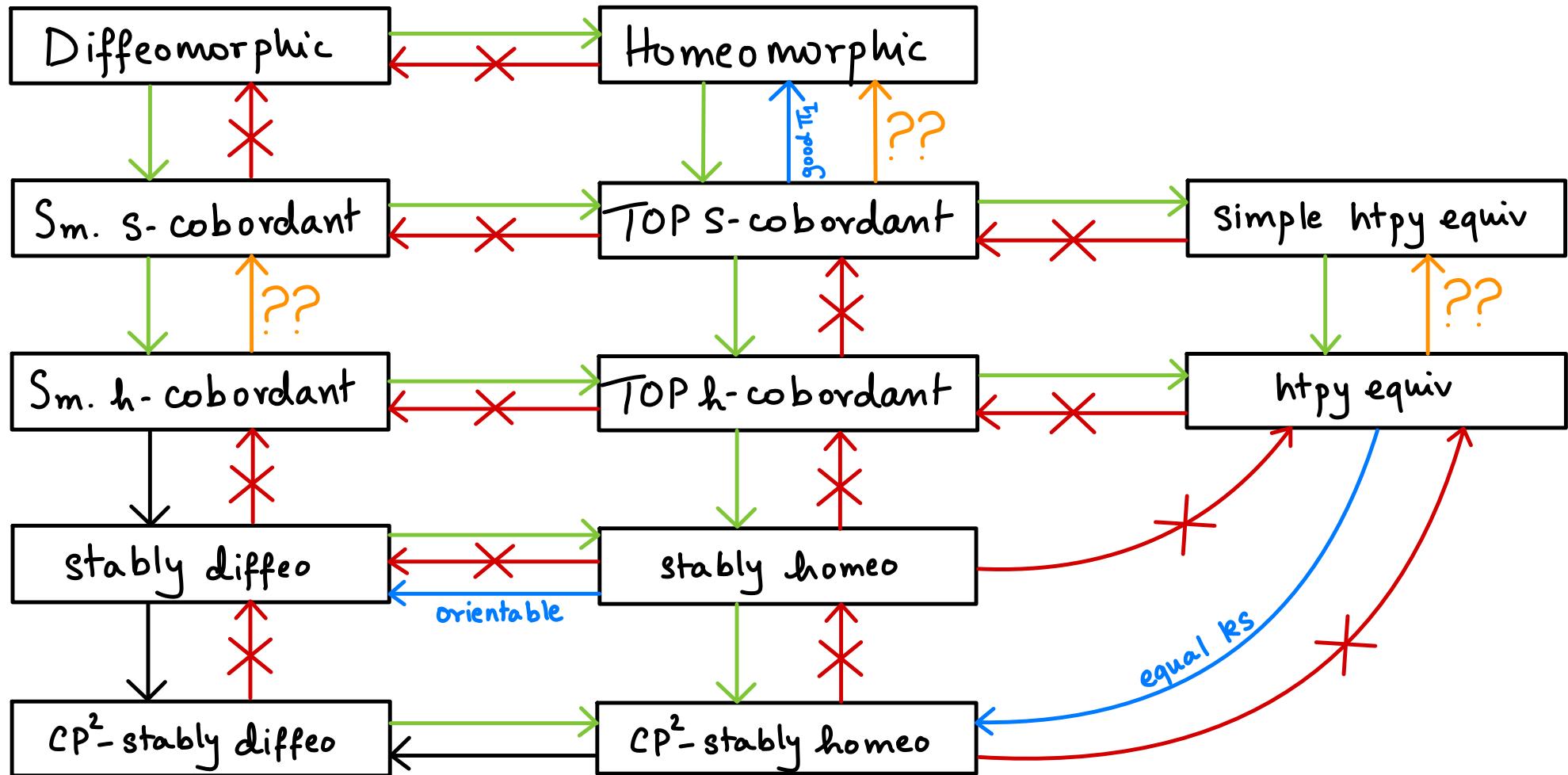


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Theorem [Kasprowski-Powell-R.]  $\forall n \geq 1 \exists \{N_i\}_{i=1}^n$ , such that  
 $N_i$  is closed, orientable, top 4mfld  
 $\forall i \neq j$ ,  $N_i$  and  $N_j$  are - simple homotopy equivalent  
 - top. h-cobordant  $\pi_1 \approx \mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}$   
 - not s-cobordant

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# Proof sketch

Let  $M_r = L_{2^r, 1} \times S^1$ ,  $\pi_r = \mathbb{Z}/2^r \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $n(r) = \left\lfloor \frac{2^{r-1} + 4}{3} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{r}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$

The surgery exact sequence(s):

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 N(M_r \times [0,1], \partial(M_r \times [0,1])) & \longrightarrow & L_5^s(\mathbb{Z}[\pi_r]) & \longrightarrow & S^s(M_r) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 N(M_r \times [0,1], \partial(M_r \times [0,1])) & \longrightarrow & L_5^h(\mathbb{Z}[\pi_r]) & \longrightarrow & S^h(M_r)
 \end{array}$$

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Examples	Properties				Equivalence relations											
	smooth	oriented	$\pi_1 = 1$	equal	$\times$	$S^2 \times S^2$ -stably homeo.	$\mathbb{CP}^2$ -stably homeo.	$S^2 \times S^2$ -stably diffeo.	$\mathbb{CP}^2$ -stably diffeo.	homotopy equiv.	simple homotopy equiv.	top. h-cobordant	top. s-cobordant	smoothly h-cobordant	smoothly s-cobordant	homeomorphic
$S^4$ and $S^2 \times S^2$	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
$S^2 \times S^2$ and $S^2 \tilde{\times} S^2$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
$\mathbb{CP}^2$ and $*\mathbb{CP}^2$	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	n/a	n/a	✓	✓	✗	✗	n/a	n/a	✗	n/a
$\mathbb{RP}^4 \# \mathbb{CP}^2$ and $\mathcal{R} \# *\mathbb{CP}^2$	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
$K3 \# \mathbb{RP}^4$ and $\#^{11} S^2 \times S^2 \# \mathbb{RP}^4$	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗
$\mathbb{RP}^4$ and $R$	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗
$L_{p,q_1} \times S^1, \dots, L_{p,q_k} \times S^1$ , with $L_{p,q_1} \simeq L_{p,q_2}$ and $L_{p,q_1} \not\cong L_{p,q_2}$	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
$E(1)$ and $E(1)_{2,3}$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
$\#^3 E_8$ and $Le$	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	n/a	n/a	✗	✗	✗	✗	n/a	n/a	✗	n/a
Kreck-Schafer manifolds	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Teichner's $E \# E \# \#^k (S^2 \times S^2)$ and $*E \# *E \# \#^k (S^2 \times S^2)$	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Akbulut's $P$ and $Q$	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓
$\mathcal{M}(L_{p,q} \times S^1)$ , $p$ odd, $\infty$ set	?	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	n/a	n/a	✓	✓	✗	✗	n/a	n/a	✗	n/a
$\{M_r(\kappa)\}_{\kappa \in K}$	?	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	n/a	n/a	✓	✓	✓	✗	n/a	n/a	✗	n/a

Questions?