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**The cell-like approximation theorem**

*Abstract.* The Cell-like Approximation Theorem of R. D. Edwards characterizes the  $n$ -manifolds precisely as the resolvable ENR homology  $n$ -manifolds with the Disjoint Disks Property for  $5 \leq n < \infty$ . An overview of Edward's proof for dimensions  $n > 5$  and the additional details needed for dimension  $n = 5$  will be presented.