

Today: •) handle cancellation

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•) handle slides

4-mflds.

•)  $h$ -cobordism theorem

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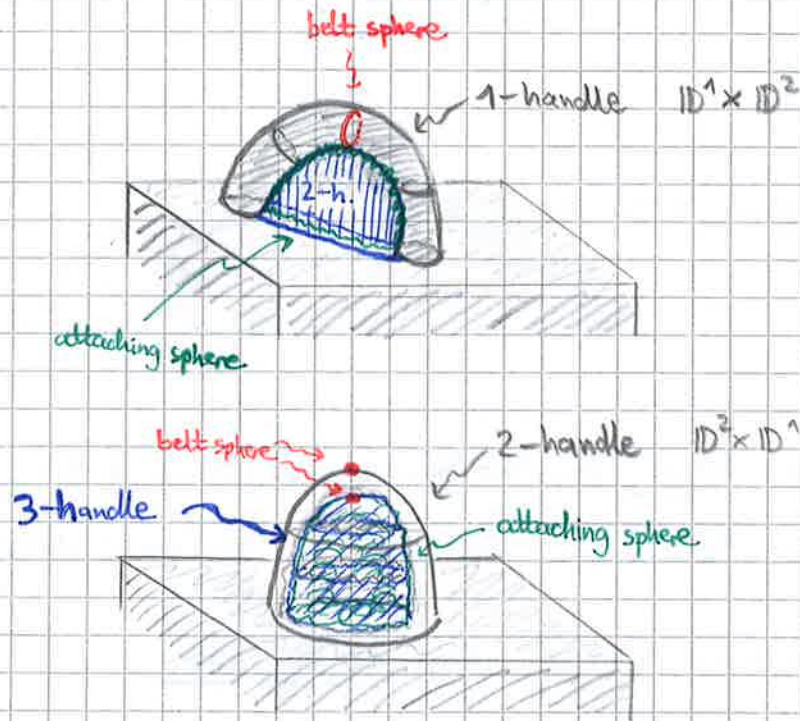
•) Poincaré conjecture (in  $\dim \geq 5$ )

Handle birth/death

2-dim:



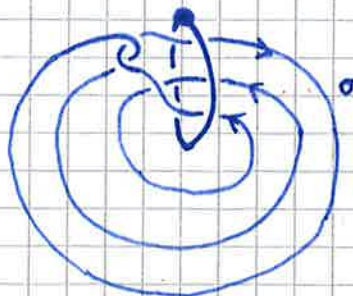
3-dim:



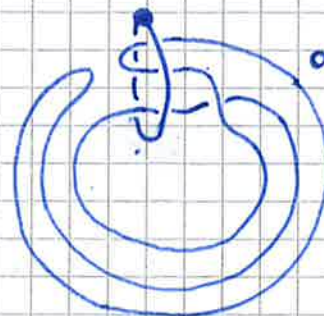
Morse cancellation lemma: A  $(k-1)$ -handle  $h^{(k-1)}$  can be cancelled by a  $k$ -handle  $h^{(k)}$  if the attaching sphere of  $h^{(k)}$  intersects the belt sphere of  $h^{(k-1)}$  transversely in a single point.



Eg.:



algebraic intersection number = 1  
but they do not cancel!  
(not obvious)



$\approx$   
isotopic

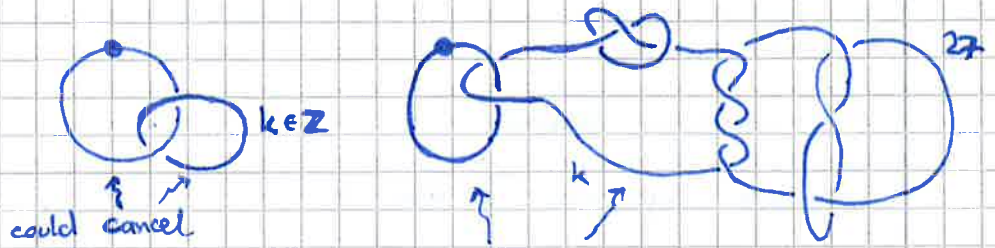


Could cancel this  
2-h. with the  
dotted 1-h.

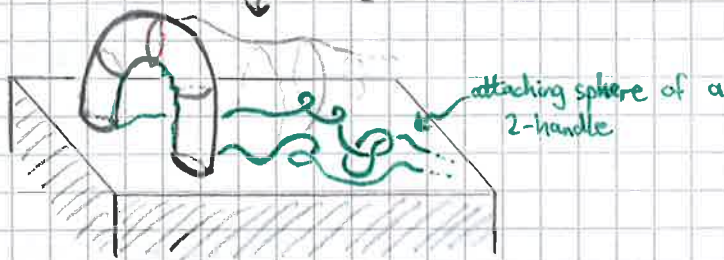


Framing of the 2-handles and interaction with other handles does

not matter:

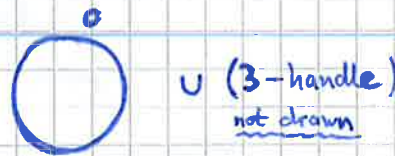


1-handle can "fall down/melt" following the 2-handle



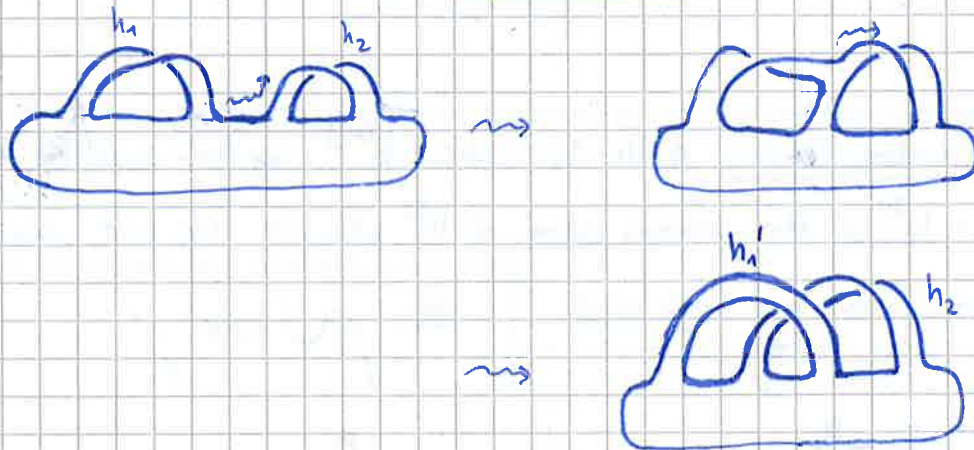
Motto: igloo melting back into the Arctic  
OR: imagine the top of a baby carriage!

Cancelling 2-/3-handle pair:



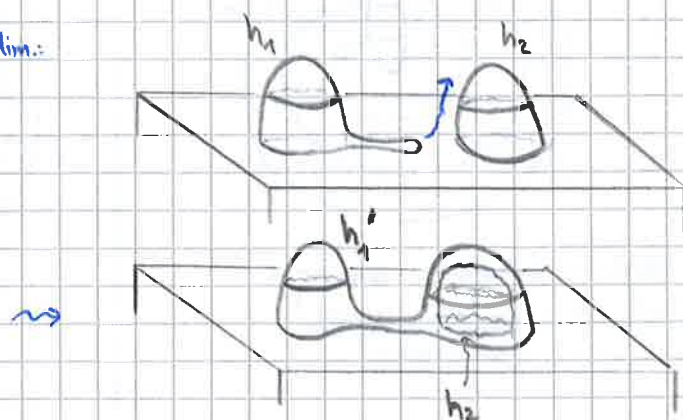
Theorem (Cerf): Any two handle decompositions of the same space are related by isotopies and handle creation/cancellation.

A particular type of isotopy: Handle slides



Framing and attaching sphere of  $h_1$  changed,  $h_2$  does not move.

Sliding 2-handles: In 3-dim:



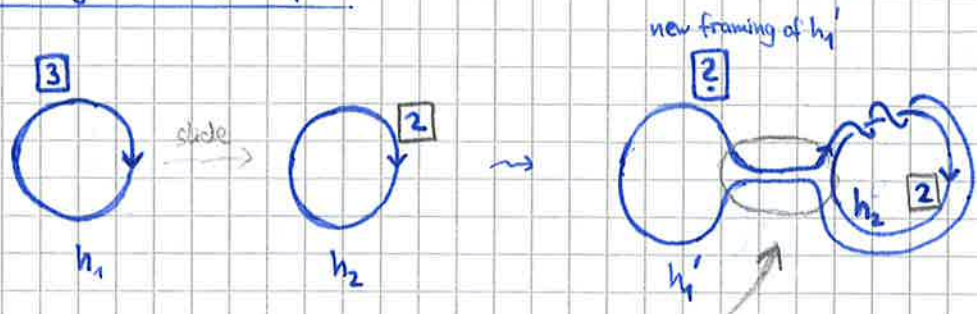


Attaching circle of  $h_1'$ ?

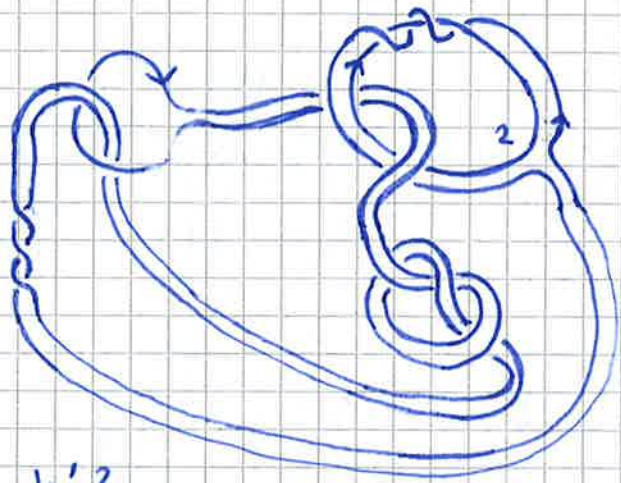
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This band can: - twist  
- knot  
- Link other 2-handles & 1-handles



view this as a guiding arc for the handle slide

Framing of  $h_1'$ ?

$\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m\}$  basis of  $H_2(X \cup h_i)$

handle slide of  $h_i$  over  $h_j$  leads to

$$\alpha_i' = \alpha_i \pm \alpha_j$$

$$\alpha_k' = \alpha_k \quad \text{for } k \neq i$$

Homework: Find move from

In the case of no 1-handles:

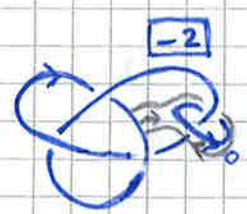
Intersection form  $Q_{\partial \cup h_i}$  is given by linking-framing matrix

$$(\alpha_i \pm \alpha_j)^2 = \alpha_i^2 + \alpha_j^2 \pm 2 \cdot \text{lk}(h_i, h_j)$$

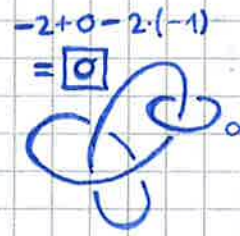
Linking number of the attaching circles

$$n_i' = n_i + n_j \pm 2 \cdot \text{lk}(h_i, h_j)$$

Ex:



Slide & isotopy



isotopy



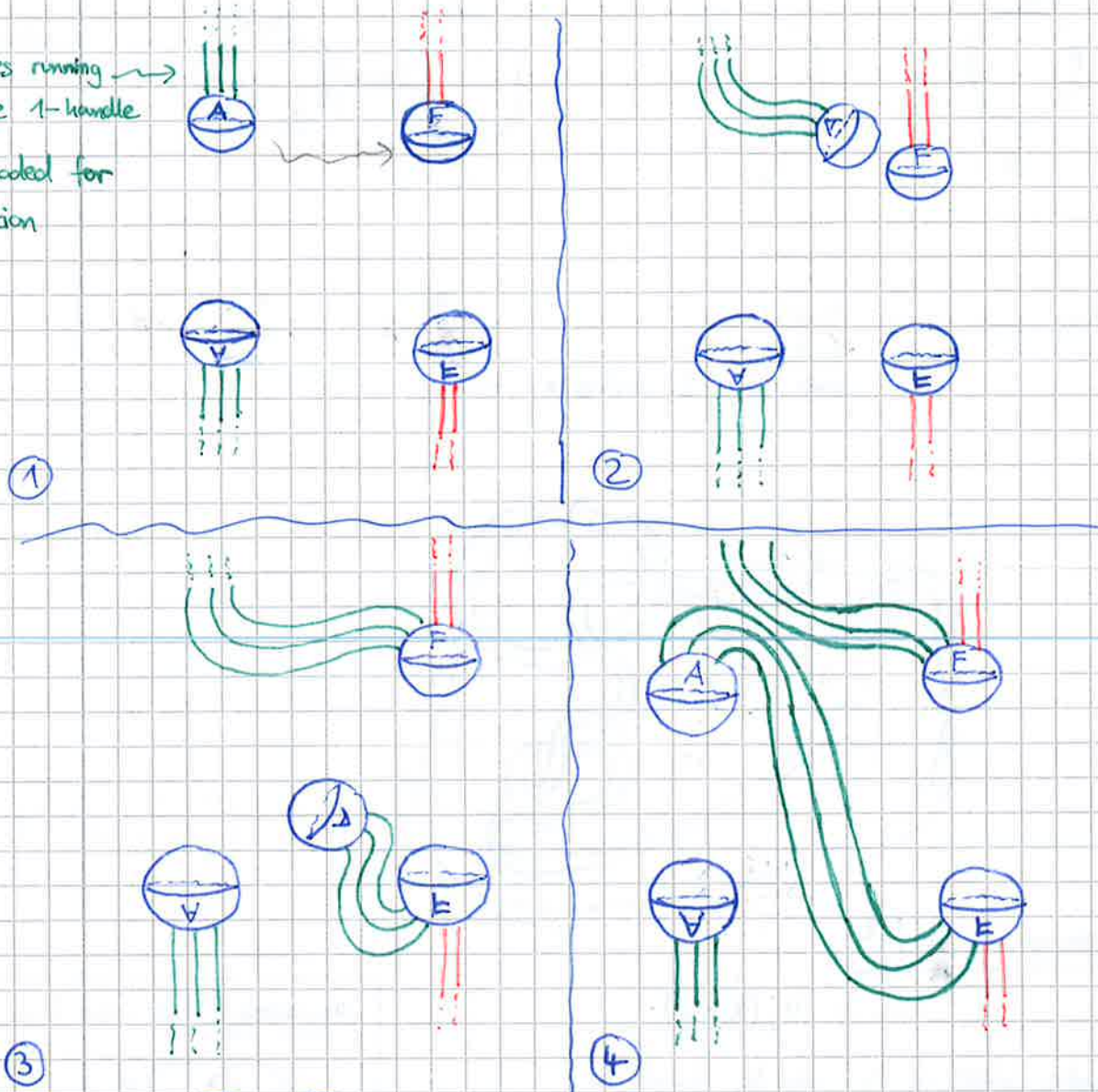
$S^2 \times S^2$  (or missing a ball if there is no 4-handle)



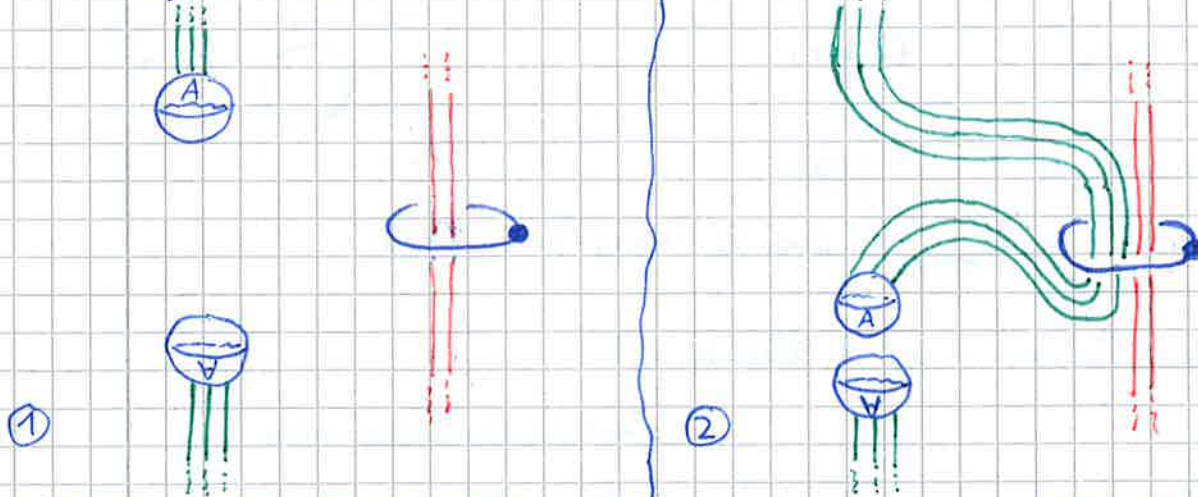
Sliding a 1-handle over another 1-handle:

In old notation:

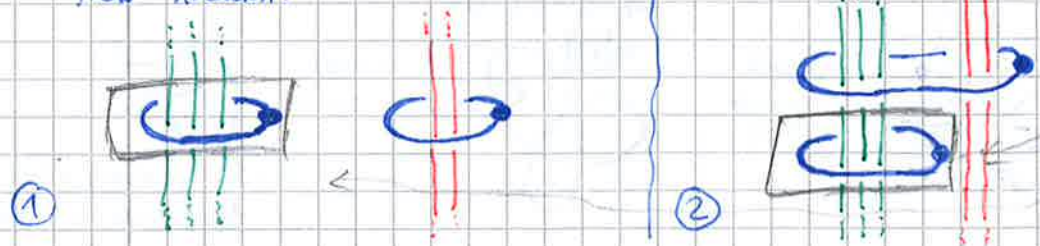
2-handles running over the 1-handle  
 (color-coded for illustration)



"Hybrid" notation:



New notation:



⚠ This is the 1-handle doing the sliding



h-cobordisms



$W^{d+1}$  is an h-cobordism if:

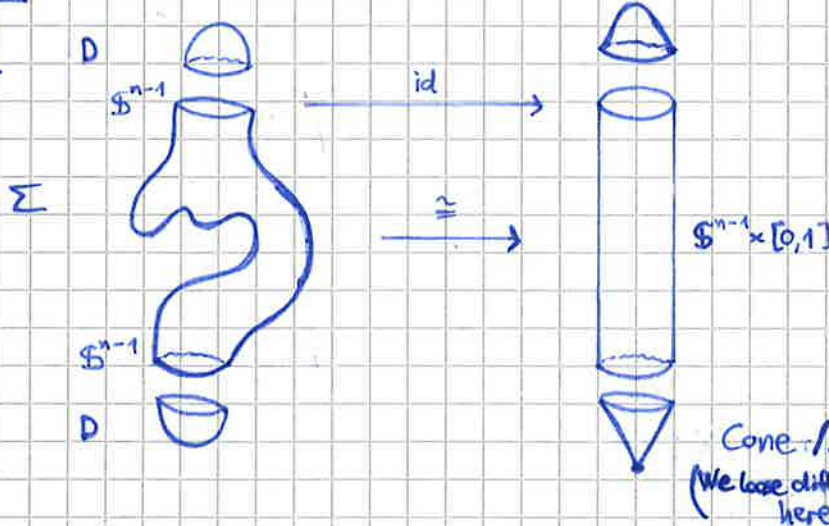
- )  $\partial W = -M_0 \amalg M_1$
- )  $M_i \hookrightarrow W$  is a homotopy equivalence for  $i=0,1$

h-cobordism theorem: (Smale 1960's): Any <sup>smooth</sup> simply connected h-cobordism  $W^{d+1}$  is diffeomorphic to the product  $M_0 \times [0,1]$ , if  $d \geq 5$ .

Poincaré conjecture: Any smooth homotopy n-sphere  $\Sigma^n$ ,  $n \geq 5$ , is homeomorphic to  $S^n$ .

Pf.: Remove two disks from  $\Sigma^n$

Take  $n \geq 6$ :

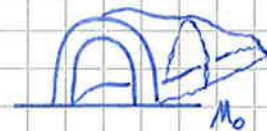


For  $n=5$ :  $\Sigma^5 = \partial V^6$ ,  $V^6$  contractible

$\Rightarrow \Sigma^5 \cong \text{diff. } S^5$

Pf. of h-cobordism thm.:  $W$  is smooth  $\Rightarrow \exists$  rel. handle decomp. w.r.t.  $M_0$

- Assume no  $\sigma$ -handles
- "Handle trading" to remove 1-handles  $\rightarrow$  replace them by 3-handles



Note:  $H_*(W, M_0) = 0$

$\Rightarrow$  All handles must be cancelled algebraically

Use handle slides to do basis change  $\rightarrow$  every handle either cancels or is cancelled

Suppose  $h^3$  "cancels algebraically"  $h^2$

$\Leftrightarrow$  attaching sphere of  $h^3$  intersects belt-sphere of  $h^2$  algebraically once  
 Realize geometrically by the Whitney trick  $\rightarrow$  Cobordism without handles is a cylinder!  $\square$



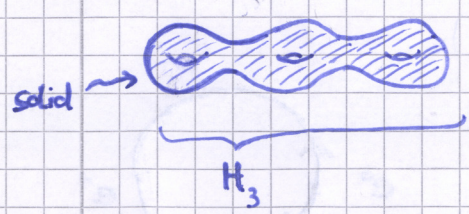
3-manifolds

·) Recall we saw that any closed 3-mfld. has a Heegaard decomposition

4-mflds.

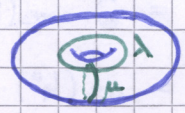
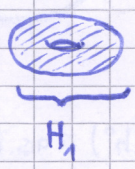
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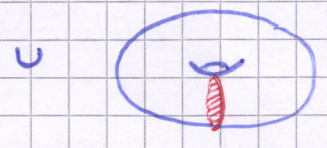
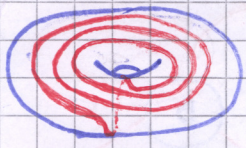


$$M^3 = H_g \cup_{\varphi: H_g \cong H_g} H_g$$

for some genus  $g$ .



Ex: Lens space  $L(3,1)$ :

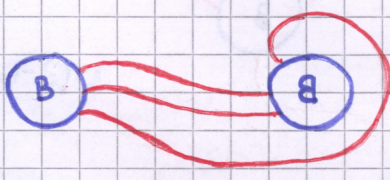


$$3\lambda + 1\mu$$

·) Heegaard splittings can also be given by diagrams in the plane:

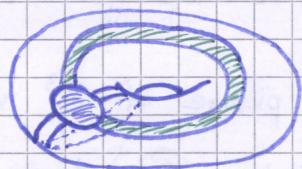
$L(3,1)$ :

blackboard is  $\mathbb{R}^2 \cup \{\infty\} = \mathbb{S}^2$

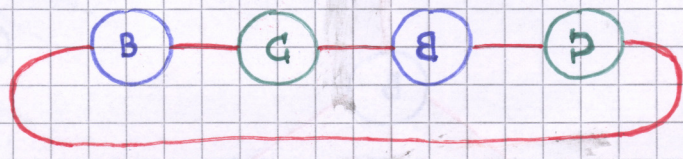


·) Handle decomposition of 2-torus:

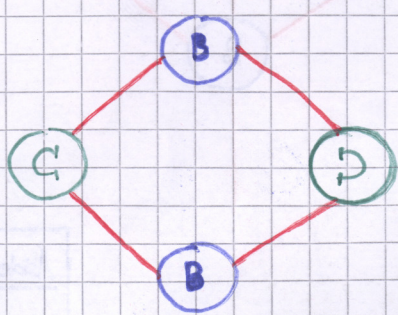
$$\mathbb{T}^2 = h_a^1 \cup h_b^1 \cup (2\text{-handle})$$



·)  $\mathbb{T}^2 \times \mathbb{I}$ :



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1) How to draw  $\mathbb{T}^3$ ?

$$\mathbb{T}^3 = \mathbb{T}^2 \times \mathbb{S}^1$$

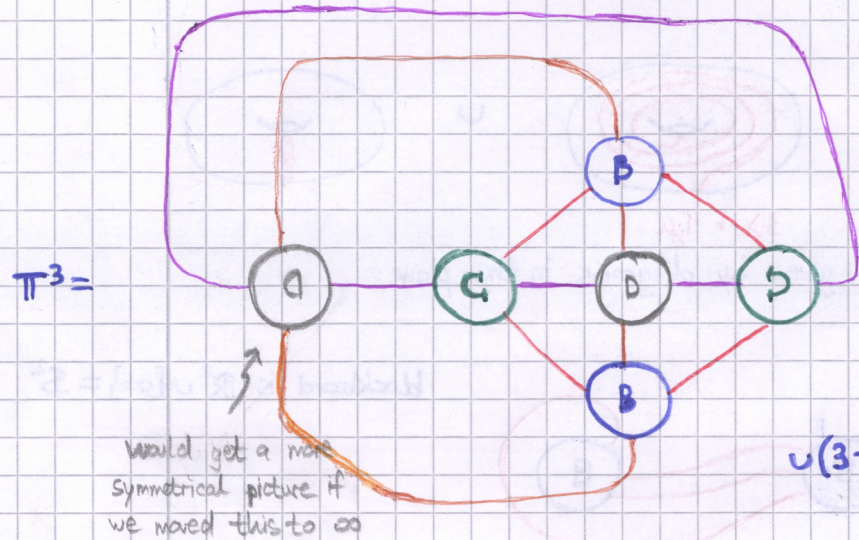
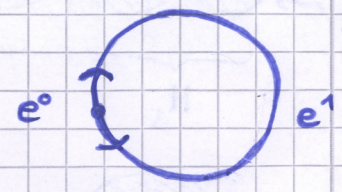
$$= (h^0 \cup h_a^1 \cup h_b^1 \cup h^2) \times (e^0 \cup e^1)$$

$h^0 \times e^1$  is a 1-handle

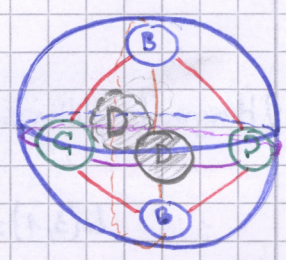
$$\text{core}(h^0 \times e^1) = \text{core}(h^0) \times \text{core}(e^1)$$

$$\text{attaching sphere}(h^0 \times e^1) = \partial \text{core}(h^0 \times e^1)$$

$$= \text{as.}(h^0) \times \text{core}(e^1) \cup \text{core}(h^0) \times \text{as.}(e^1)$$



on  $\mathbb{S}^2$ :

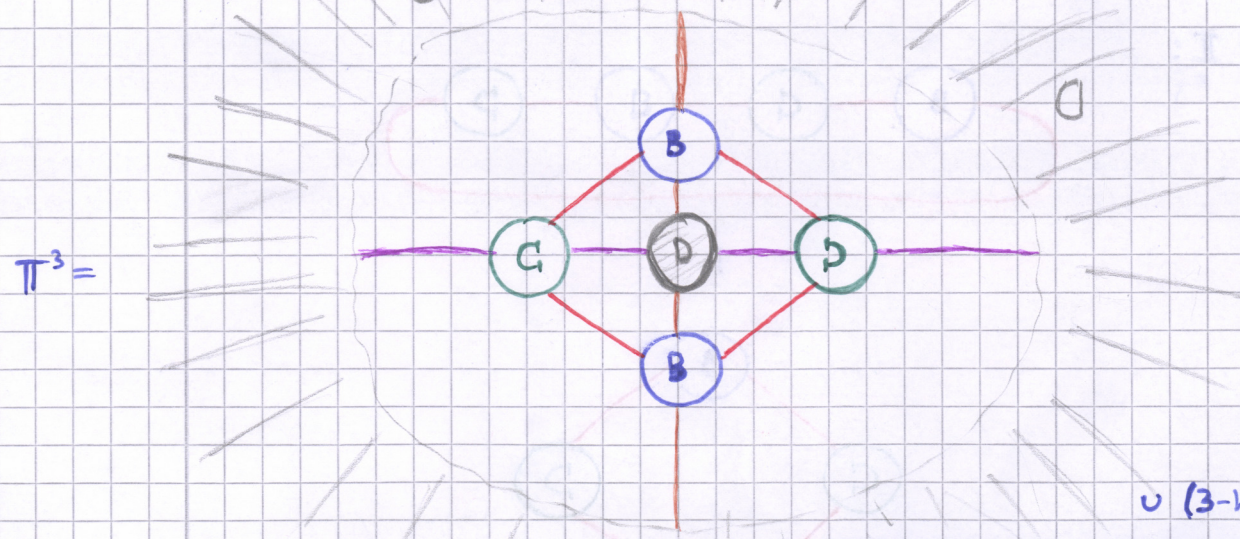


$\cup$  (3-handle)

$$\text{as.}(h_a^1 \times e^1) = \text{as.}(h_a^1) \times \text{core}(e^1) \cup \text{core}(h_a^1) \times \text{as.}(e^1)$$

Better picture of  $\mathbb{T}^3$  with Heegaard diagram in the plane and

one circle  $\textcircled{a}$  at  $\infty$ :



$\cup$  (3-handle)

Aside: solid cube /  $\mathbb{D}^3$

$\mathbb{T}^3 =$

Cube with opposite faces glued



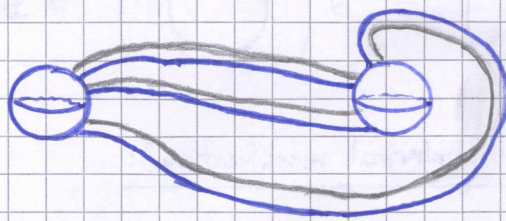
•)  $L(3,1) \times \mathbb{I}$ :

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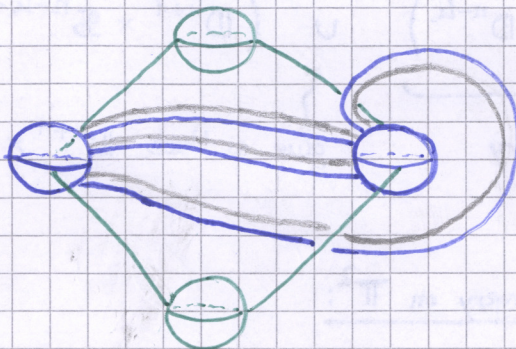
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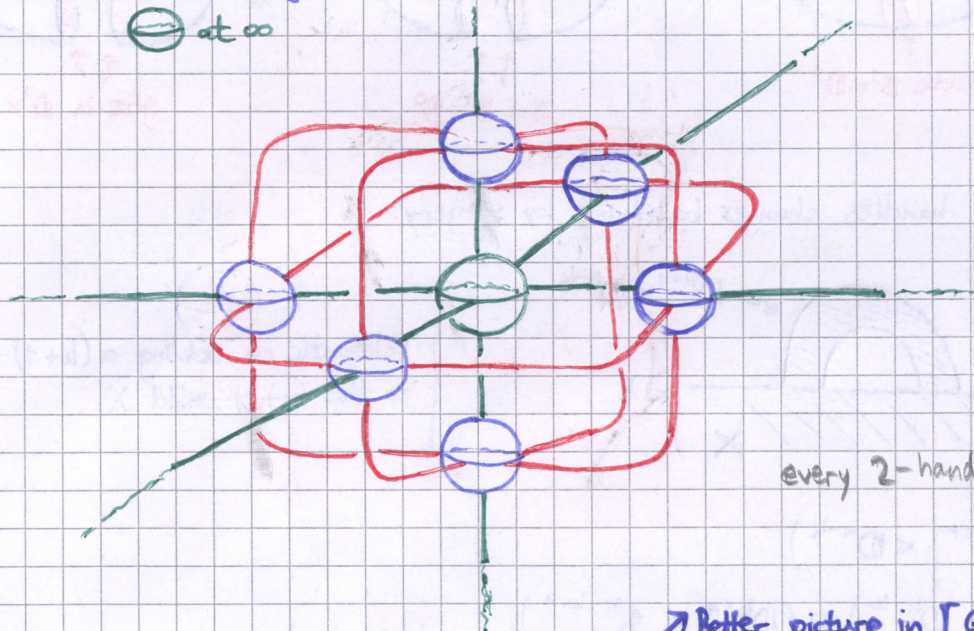
← 2-handle with blackboard framing

•)  $L(3,1) \times \mathbb{S}^1$ :



•)  $\mathbb{T}^4$ : one ball of the green 1-handle is at  $\infty$ :

⊖ at  $\infty$

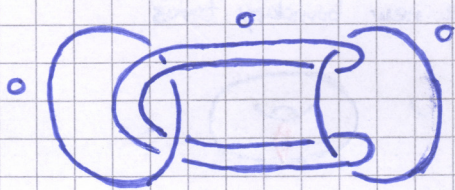
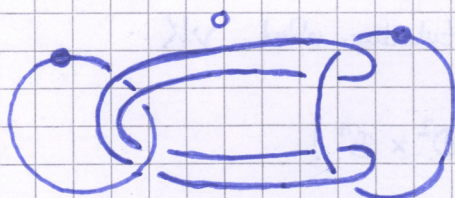


every 2-handle is 0-framed

→ Better picture in [Gompf-Stipsicz: 4-mflds. and Kirby calculus; Fig.4.42, p.137]

•)  $\mathbb{T}^2 \times \mathbb{D}^2$  has boundary  $\mathbb{T}^3$

$\mathbb{T}^2 \times \mathbb{D}^2 =$



also has boundary  $\mathbb{T}^3$



$$\partial \left( \text{circle with a dot} \right) = \partial \left( \text{circle with a hole} \right) = S^1 \times D^2$$

"Surgery" or "Spherical modification":

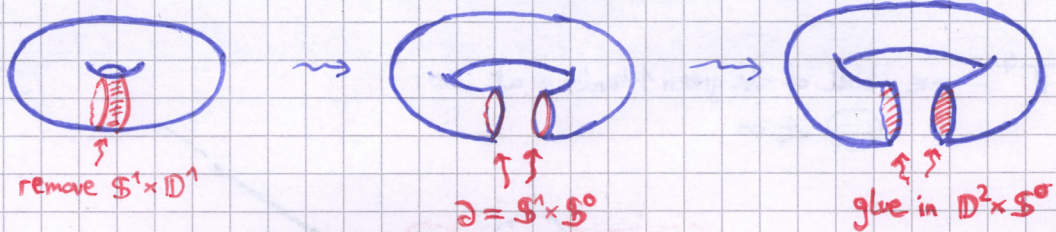
$$\text{Int}(M^n) \supset S^k \times D^{n-k}$$

$$\underbrace{(M \setminus S^k \times D^{n-k})}_{\text{has new boundary } S^k \times S^{n-k-1}} \cup (D^{k+1} \times S^{n-k-1})$$

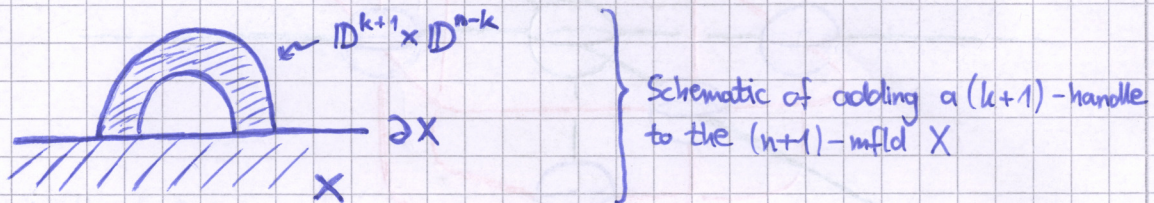
has new boundary  
 $S^k \times S^{n-k-1}$

glue so that  $D^{k+1} \times \{*\}$  is bounded by  $S^k \times \{*\}$

Example of surgery on  $\mathbb{T}^2$ :



Adding handles changes boundary by surgery:



$$\begin{aligned} \partial(D^{k+1} \times D^{n-k}) \\ = (S^k \times D^{n-k}) \cup (D^{k+1} \times S^{n-k-1}) \end{aligned}$$

Dehn surgery:

could use another  $\rightarrow S^3 \supset K$  has a tubular nbhd.  $\nu K$   
3-mfd. as well

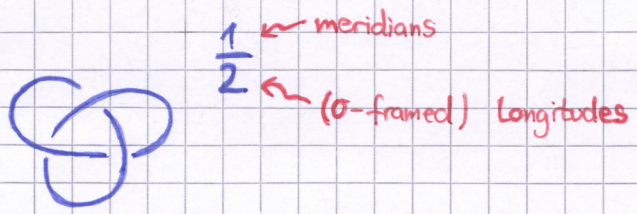
$$(S^3 \setminus \nu K) \cup (D^2 \times S^1)$$

gluing map given by any simple closed curve on the new boundary torus





Eg.:



is a  $\mathbb{Z}H\mathbb{S}^3$

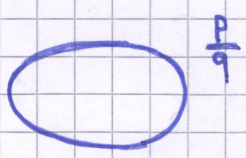
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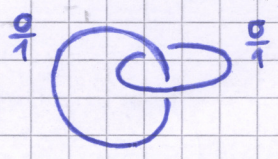
is a "Dehn surgery diagram"

Ex.:



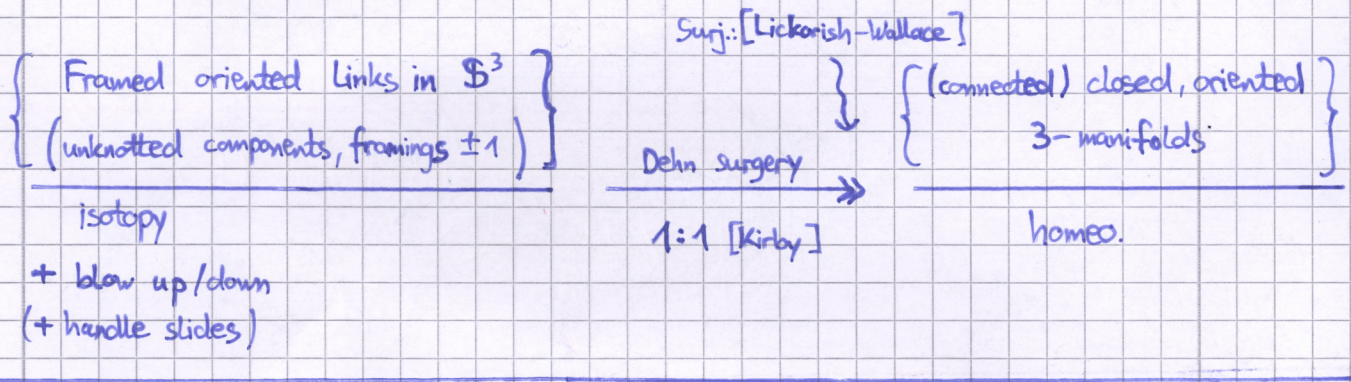
is a lens space  $\rightsquigarrow L(p,q)$

Ex.:



$= \mathbb{S}^3$

Fundamental theorem of 3-manifolds:



More coming up on Dehn surgery + 3 mflds + fund theorem on Thursday!



(Surgery and) Dehn surgery

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Recall: Surgery is the effect on the boundary when we attach a handle

4-mfds.

$$\partial^+(X \cup_{\text{attaching sphere}} h) = \text{result of doing surgery on } \partial^+X \text{ along the attaching sphere}$$

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Data:  $\varphi: \mathbb{S}^k \hookrightarrow M^n$  with framing  $f$  of the normal bundle

determines  $\hat{\varphi}: \mathbb{S}^k \times \mathbb{D}^{n-k} \hookrightarrow M^n$

Surgery on  $(\varphi, f)$  :=  $[M \setminus \hat{\varphi}(\mathbb{S}^k \times \text{int } \mathbb{D}^{n-k})] \cup_{\hat{\varphi}|_{\mathbb{S}^k \times \mathbb{S}^{n-k-1}}} [\mathbb{D}^{k+1} \times \mathbb{S}^{n-k-1}]$

Isotopy class of  $(\varphi, f)$  determines the result. *up to diffeomorphism.*

Proposition: If  $C$  is a nullhomotopic circle in  $M^4$ , then the result of

surgery on  $M$  along  $C$  is either  $M \# (\mathbb{S}^2 \times \mathbb{S}^2)$  or  $M \# (\mathbb{S}^2 \tilde{\times} \mathbb{S}^2)$  ← *are the two  $\mathbb{S}^2$ -bundles over  $\mathbb{S}^2$ ; clutching function corresponds to an element in  $\pi_1 SO(3) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2$*

*these two might not be distinct (depending on  $M$ )*

Pf: Write  $M = M \# \mathbb{S}^4$

Consider  $C_0 \subset \mathbb{S}^3 \subset \mathbb{S}^4$  with  $C_0$  nullhomotopic; in particular  $C$  homotopic to  $C_0$ .

Homotopy implies isotopy for loops in a 4-manifold

$\Rightarrow C$  and  $C_0$  are isotopic

By construction, the two different framings on  $C_0$  transform  $\mathbb{S}^4$

to  $\mathbb{S}^2 \times \mathbb{S}^2$  or  $\mathbb{S}^2 \tilde{\times} \mathbb{S}^2$

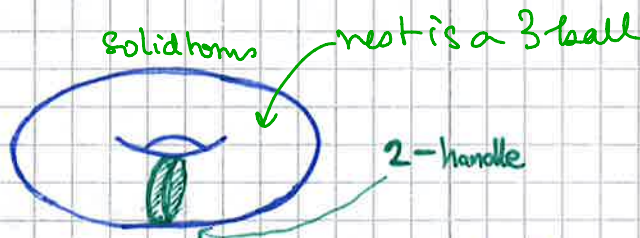
intersection form:  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  or  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

□

Dehn surgery

$K \subset M^3$  oriented 3-manifold

Dehn surgery on  $M$  along  $K$ , according to framing  $\varphi$  where  $\varphi: \mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^2$  is a diffeo.



$M(K, \varphi) := (M \setminus \nu K) \cup_{\varphi: \mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^2 \text{ diffeo}} \mathbb{S}^1 \times \mathbb{D}^2$

In  $\mathbb{S}^3$ ,  $\varphi$  is given precisely by any pair of rel. prime integers

If  $K$  is oriented, define  $\mu$  to be positive meridian  
 $\lambda$  to be  $\sigma$ -framed longitude

*note changing the orient<sup>n</sup> of  $K$  will change the orient<sup>n</sup> of both  $\mu$  &  $\lambda$ . So, the orientation of  $K$  is irrelevant.*

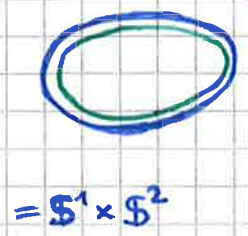
Then  $(p, q) = 1$ ,  $p \cdot \mu + q \cdot \lambda$  is a simple closed curve in  $\partial(\mathbb{S}^3 \setminus \nu K) \cong \mathbb{T}^2$



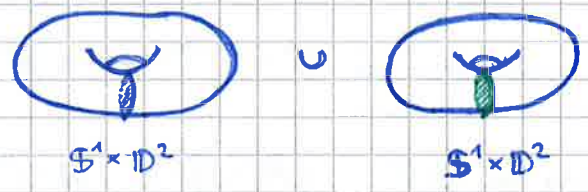
Examples: (a)

$\sigma = \frac{q}{1} \rightsquigarrow \sigma \cdot \mu + 1 \cdot \lambda$

$L(0,1) =$

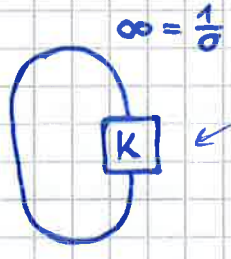


$S^3 \setminus \nu(\text{unknot}) = S^1 \times D^2$  ← one of the solid tori in a genus 1 Heegaard decomp. of  $S^3$ .



(b)

$L(1,0) =$



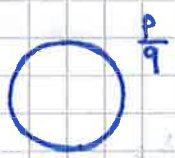
← K any knot, for example



gives  $S^3$  (remove solid torus, and glue it back in the same way)

(c)

$L(p,q) :=$

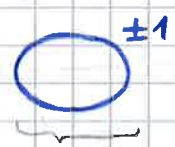


is a lens space with  $\pi_1 \cong \mathbb{Z}/p$

$S^3 \setminus \nu U =$



(d)



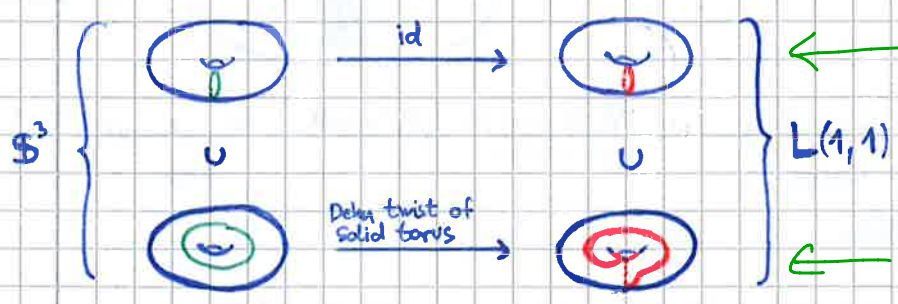
$= L(\pm 1, 1) = S^3$

The 4-mfld. is  $CP^2 \setminus (4\text{-ball})$

In general:

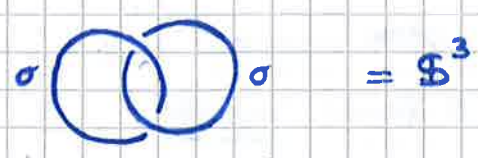
$L(p,q) \cong L(p, q+n \cdot p)$  for any n

try to prove like this



← the main point is that the map on the boundary extends over the solid torus.

(e)



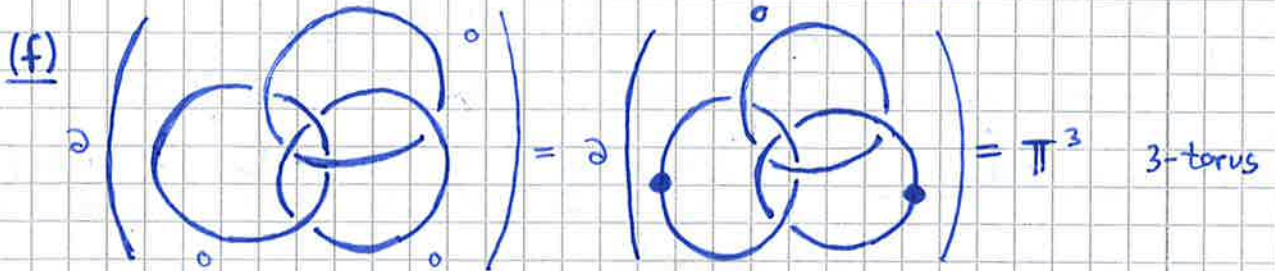
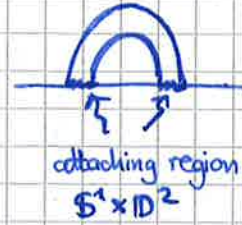
The 4-mfld. is  $(S^2 \times S^2) \setminus (4\text{-ball})$

← try to prove this without thinking of 4-mflds.



Big Insight: Integer - framed Dehn surgery is naturally the boundary of the 4-manifold with  $B^4 \cup \{2\text{-handles}\}$  (in that case, Dehn surgery = surgery)

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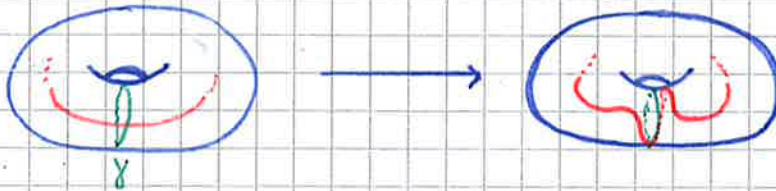


Lickorish-Wallace 1960's: Every closed, oriented 3-mfld. is the result of Dehn surgery along some link in  $S^3$ .

The link can be chosen to have unknotted components and all the framings are  $\pm 1$ .

Corollary: Any closed, oriented 3-manifold is the boundary of a simply-connected, oriented 4-mfld.

Def:

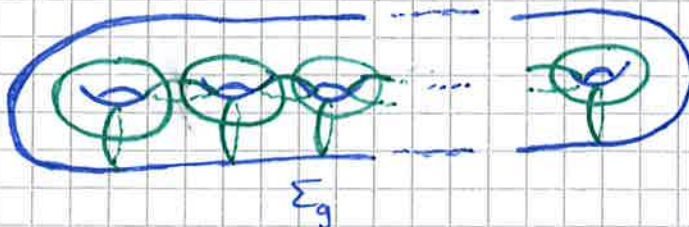


$\gamma \subset \mathbb{T}^2$  twist curve  
 $\tau_\gamma: \mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^2$   
is the Dehn twist on  $\mathbb{T}^2$  along  $\gamma$

Similarly on any  $\Sigma_g$ .

Lickorish twist theorem: Let  $\Sigma_g$  be a closed, orientable surface of genus  $g$ .

Any orientation-preserving diffeomorphism is isotopic to <sup>some</sup> product of Dehn twists along the  $3g-1$  curves below:





Lemma: Let  $H_g$  be the 3-dim. 1-handlebody of genus  $g$ . solid 

For  $f: \partial H_g \rightarrow \partial H_g$  orientation preserving diffeomorphism, there exists  $\{V_i\}, \{V'_i\}$  each a disjoint collection of solid tori within  $\text{Int } H_g$  so that there is an extension

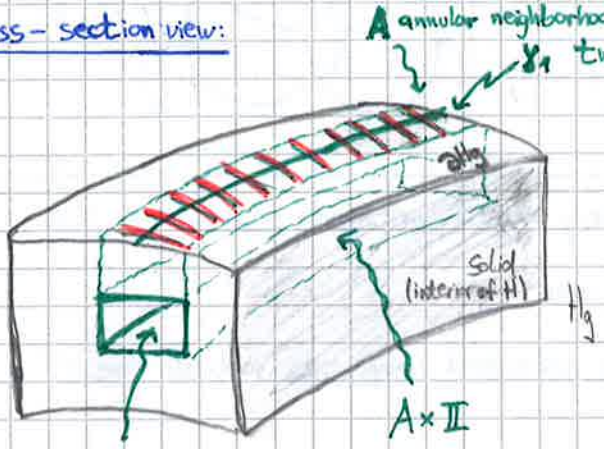
$$\bar{f}: H_g \setminus (\dot{V}_1 \cup \dot{V}_2 \cup \dots \cup \dot{V}_r) \longrightarrow H_g \setminus (\dot{V}'_1 \cup \dots \cup \dot{V}'_r)$$

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Pf: Write  $f = \tau_r \circ \dots \circ \tau_1$  as product of Dehn twists

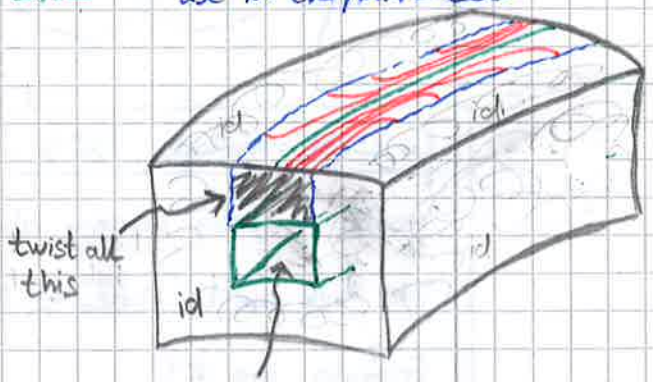
Suppose  $\tau_1$  is a Dehn twist along  $\gamma_1$ ,  $A$  annular neighborhood of  $\gamma_1$

Cross-section view:



remove  $V_1$   
(excavated solid torus)

extend  $\tau_1$  on  $A \times I$  by the product use id everywhere else



not there (because we removed this solid torus)

For the other  $\tau_i$ , "dig a deeper tunnel".

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