

§ One more example:  $\mathbb{C}P(n)$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{C}P(n) &= \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} / \sim \text{ where } (z_0, \dots, z_n) \sim \lambda(z_0, \dots, z_n), \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \\ &= \{ [z_0 : z_1 : \dots : z_n] \mid z_i \in \mathbb{C} \text{ not all zero, normalize s.t. } \max |z_i| = 1 \}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\psi_i: \mathbb{C}^n &\longrightarrow \mathbb{C}P(n) \\ (z_1, \dots, z_n) &\longmapsto [z_1 : \dots : z_i : 1 : z_{i+1} : \dots : z_n]\end{aligned}$$

$$D \subseteq \mathbb{C} \text{ unit disk, } B_i = \psi_i(D \times \dots \times D)$$

This gives a handle decomposition for  $\mathbb{C}P(n)$ :

$$p \in B_i \iff |z_i| = 1$$

$$p \in \text{int}(B_i) \iff |z_j| < 1 \quad \forall j \neq i$$

$$\Rightarrow \{B_i\} \text{ cover } \mathbb{C}P(n),$$

$$\text{int } B_i \cap \text{int } B_j = \emptyset$$

so they can only intersect along parts of their boundary.

Claim.  $B_k$  intersects  $\bigcup_{i < k} B_i$  along  $\psi_k(\underbrace{D \times \dots \times D}_k \times \underbrace{D \times \dots \times D}_{n-k})$

$\Rightarrow B_k$  is attached to  $\bigcup_{i < k} B_i$  as a  $2k$ -handle.

$$\mathbb{C}P(2) = B_0 \cup B_1 \cup B_2$$

$$\begin{aligned}p \in B_0 \cap B_1 & \quad p = \psi_0(w_1, w_2) = [1 : w_1 : w_2] \\ & = \psi_1(z_1, z_2) = [z_1 : 1 : z_2] \quad \Rightarrow \quad z_1 \neq 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow w_1 = z_1^{-1}$$

$$w_2 = z_2 z_1^{-1}$$

Attaching map:

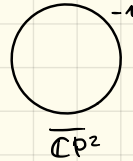
$$\begin{aligned} \partial D \times D &\longrightarrow \partial D \times D \\ (z_1, z_2) &\longmapsto (z_1^{-1}, z_2 z_1^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$



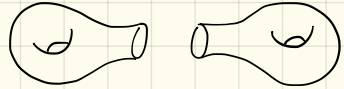
Get Kirby diagrams:



and



Recall: connected sums of oriented manifolds  
(for smooth manifolds:



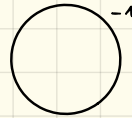
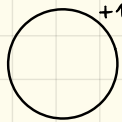
can isotope two different choices to each other

for topological 4-manifolds:

annulus thru (Quinn, following Freedman) 

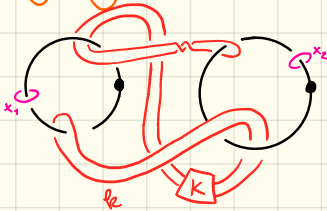
Diagram for

$$\mathbb{C}P^2 \# \overline{\mathbb{C}P^2}$$



§ Can use Kirby diagrams to compute  $\pi_1, H_*, H^*$

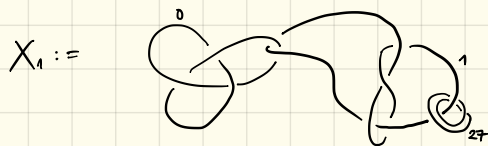
$\pi_1:$



gen.  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  (for 1-handles)

rel. given by words in  $x_i$  (2-handles)

Suppose we have a diagram without 1-handles



schematically:



If I have 1-handles, need to see which curves are null-homologous in  $\partial(0\text{-h} \cup 1\text{-handles})$ .

### Intersection forms.

$X$  compact oriented (topological) 4-manifold  
 $[X]$  fundamental class

$$Q_X: H^2(X, \partial X; \mathbb{Z}) \times H^2(X, \partial X; \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

$$(a, b) \longmapsto (a \cup b) [X]$$

or

$$Q_X: H_2(X; \mathbb{Z}) \times H_2(X; \mathbb{Z}) \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

count inter. points with sign

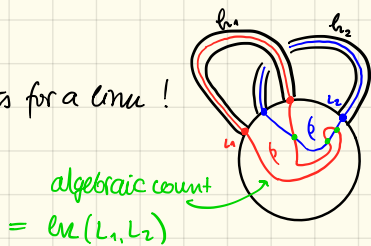
Fact: Each element of  $H_2(X; \mathbb{Z})$  repr. by emb. oriented surfaces.

Claim:  $Q_X$  for a 4-mfld with no 1- or 3-handles is just the linking-framing matrix for the diagram:

example.

$$X_1 \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 27 \end{bmatrix}$$

Just recall how we defined linking numbers for a link!



## Theorem [Milnor-Whithead]

Any 2 simply-conn. oriented 4-mflds are homotopy equivalent iff they have isomorphic inter. forms.

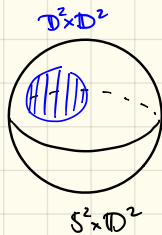
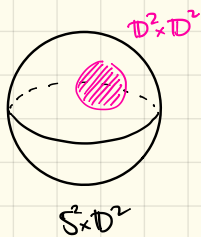
## Theorem [Freedman]

- Given an even unimodular symmetric bilinear form,  $\exists$  unique closed simply-conn. oriented 4-mfld realizing it as its  $Q_X$ .
- Given an odd unimodular bilinear form,  $\exists$  two such 4-mflds up to homeomorphism, and at most one is smooth.

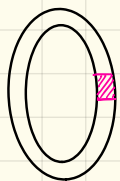
Def. **unimodular** if has  $\det = \pm 1$ . (if  $\partial X = \emptyset$ ,  $Q_X$  is unimodular)  
 A bilinear form is **even** if  $Q(x, x)$  is even for all  $x$   
 -||- is **odd** otherwise.

Def.  $M$  closed 4-mfld.  $\sigma(M) :=$  signature of  $Q_M$ .

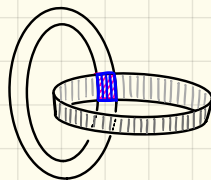
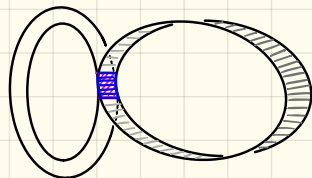
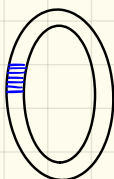
## § PLUMBING.



lower dimension:  $S^1 \times D^1$

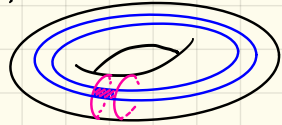


$S^1 \times D^1$

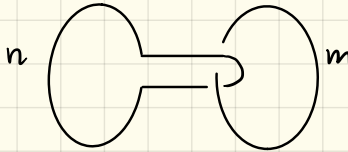


Note: core 2 is a manifold!

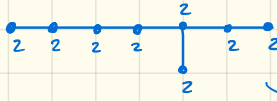
It looks like nbhd of meridian + longitude on a torus:



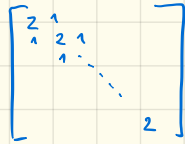
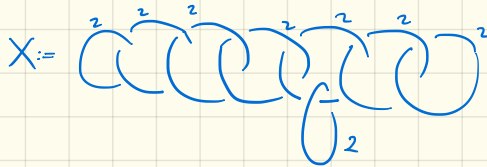
So plumbing of 2 dim bundles over  $S^2$  will have Kirby diagram:



Example. Take the  $E_8$ -form unimodular & even



can be represented by



$$H_*(\partial X; \mathbb{Z}) \cong H_*(S^3; \mathbb{Z}) \quad (\partial X \text{ is a integer homology 3-sphere})$$

Freedman: Any  $\mathbb{Z}$ -homology sphere bounds a contractible 4-mfld.

Then: glue this  $W$  to  $X$  to get a 4-mfld with  $\sigma = 8$ .

But:

Roichlin: The signature of a smooth closed simply-conn. 4-mfld with even int. form is divisible by 16.

only known to be topological.

$\Rightarrow$   $\nexists$  closed simply-conn. smooth 4-mfld with  $E_8$  as its inter. form.

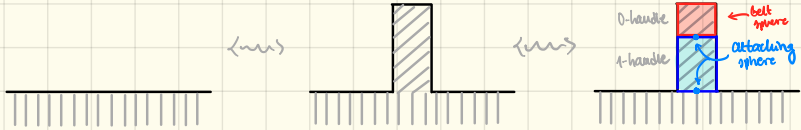
Donaldson:  $X$  smooth simply-conn. closed,  $\mathcal{Q}_X$  positive definite then  $\mathcal{Q}_X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Today: handle cancellation  
handle slides

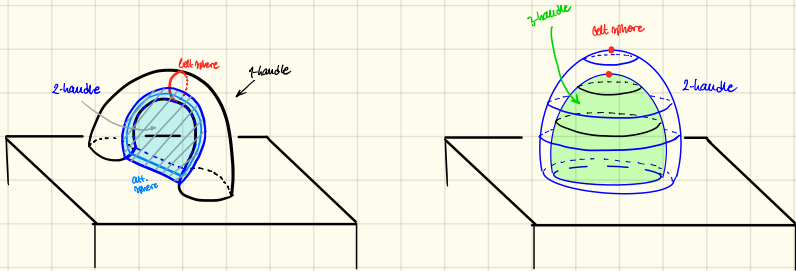
$n$ -cobordism thm & Poincaré conjecture ( $\dim \geq 5$ )

§ HANDLE BIRTH / DEATH

2-dim:



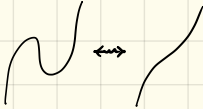
3-dim:



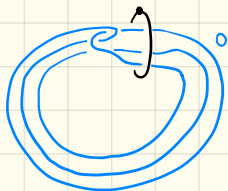
Morse Cancellation Lemma.

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.

idea:



example.

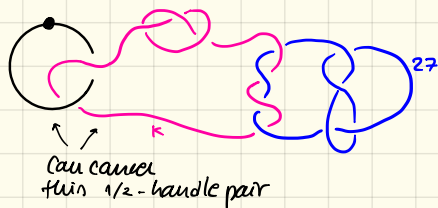
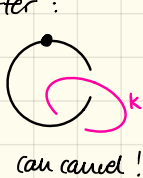


algebraic inter. number = 1  
they do not cancel!  
(not obvious)

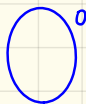


these handles  
do cancel!

Note: framing of the 2-handles and interaction with other handles does not matter:



Cancelling 2-/3-handle pair:

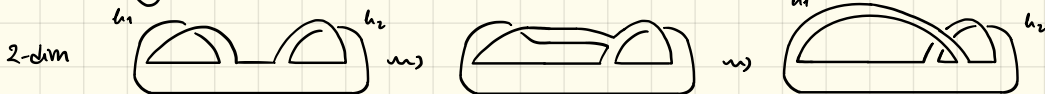


(3-handle)  
not drawn

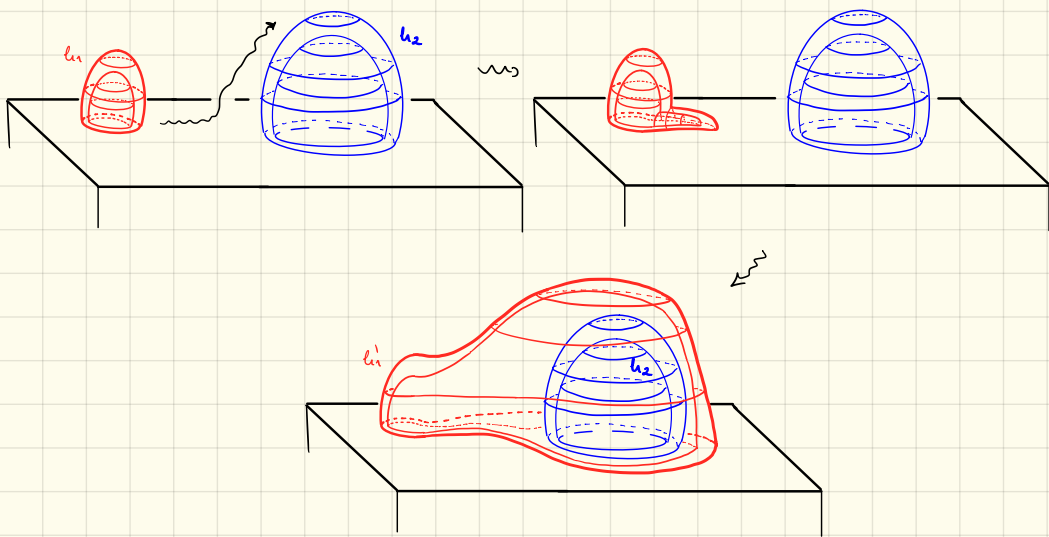
Theorem [Cerf]

Any two handle decompositions of the same space are related by isotopies and handle creation/cancellation.

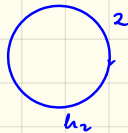
a particular type of isotopy are **HANDLE SLIDES**



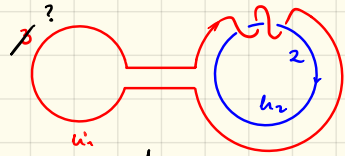
3-dim Sliding 2-handles:



4-dim. What is the att. circle of  $h_i$ ?



slide  
 $\rightsquigarrow$



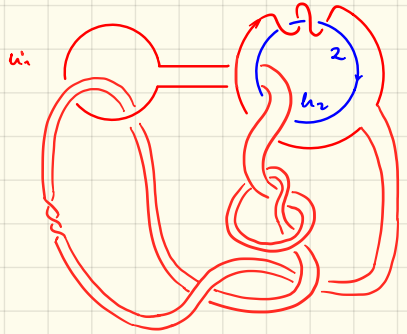
What is the framing of  $h_i$ ?

$\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m\}$  basis of  $H_2(X \cup \{h_i\}_{i=1}^m)$

$\rightarrow$  handle slide of  $h_i$  over  $h_j$  leads to:

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_i = \alpha_i \pm \alpha_j \\ \alpha_k = \alpha_k \quad \text{for } k \neq i \end{cases}$$

this band can  $\leftarrow$  twist  
knot  
 $\leftarrow$  link other  
2-handles  
and 1-handles  
e.g.



Recall: if no 1-handles  
the inter. form  $\mathcal{Q}_{\mathbb{D}^4 \cup \{h_i\}}$  is given by  
the linking-framing matrix, so:

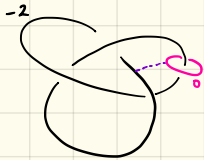
$$(\alpha_i \pm \alpha_j)^2 = \alpha_i^2 + \alpha_j^2 \pm 2lk(h_i, h_j)$$

$$\Rightarrow n_i = n_i + n_j \pm 2lk(h_i, h_j)$$

$\leftarrow$  linking number  
of att. circles

$\leftarrow$  the band follows  
the guiding arc  
for the handle  
slide.

example



slide  
 $\rightsquigarrow$

$$-2 + 0 - 2(-1) = 0$$



isotopy  
 $\rightsquigarrow$

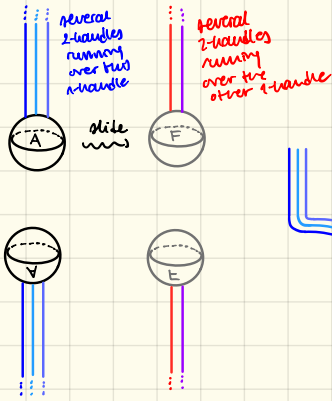


this is  $S^2 \times S^2$   
(or  $S^4$  if no 4-handle)

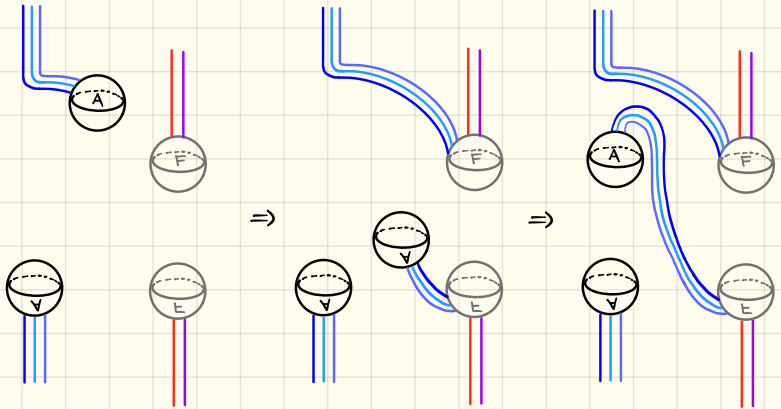


# ≅ Sliding a 1-handle over another 1-handle

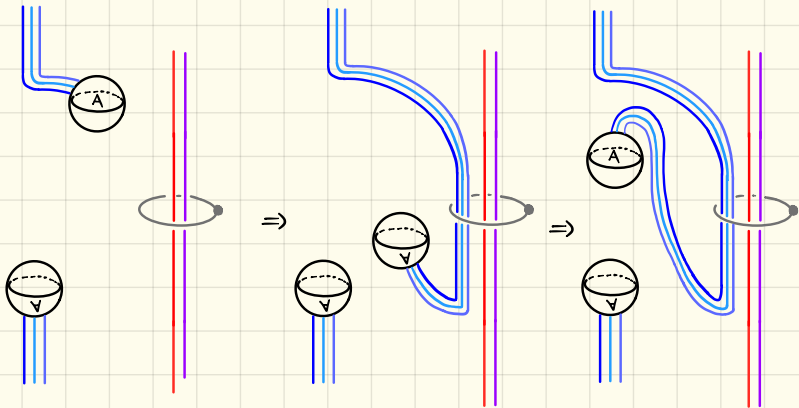
IN OLD NOTATION:



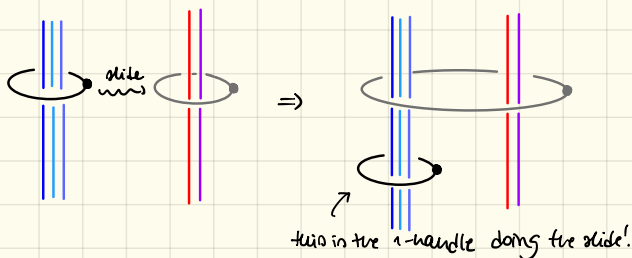
Step-by-step:



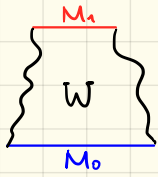
"HYBRID" NOTATION



NEW NOTATION



# § H-COBORDISMS



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

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

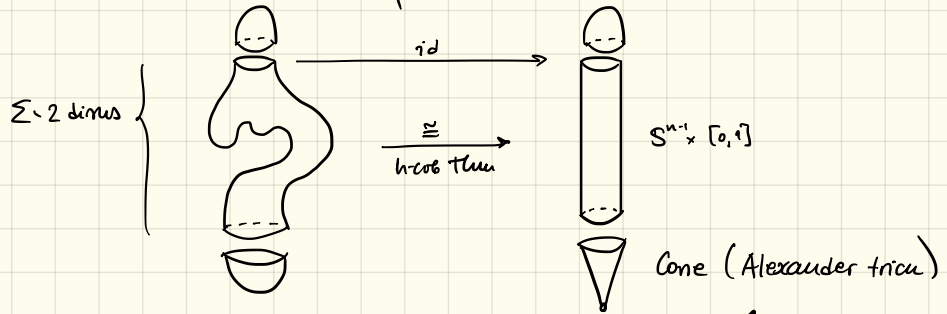
$h$ -cobordism theorem (Smale '60s):

Any smooth 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  $S^n$ .

proof.

For  $n \geq 6$ : Remove two disks from  $\Sigma^n$ .



For  $n=5$ : Use  $\Sigma^5 = \partial V^6$  with  $V^6$  contractible.

Take out a ball from  $V^6$ .

Get an  $h$ -cob. of dim  $d+1=6 \Rightarrow \Sigma^5 \cong S^5$ .

note: we lose differentiability here.

crucial of proof of  $h$ -cobordism theorem.  $W$  smooth  $\Rightarrow \exists$  relative handle decomp wrt.  $M_0$

- (can assume no 0-handles)
- "handle trading": can replace 1-handles by 3-handles (uses simply-connectedness)
- note:  $H_*(W, M_0) = 0 \Rightarrow$  all handles cancel algebraically. Pair them up using handle slides.

i.e. use handle slides to realize a basis change  
 untill each handle either cancels or is cancelled.

Suppose for example  $h^3$  cancels algebraically  $h^2$ .  
 $\Leftrightarrow$  attaching sphere of  $h^3$  intersects belt sphere of  $h^2$  alg. once.

Use Whitney trick to obtain geometrically once. (Can cancel them!)

$\Rightarrow$  Cobordism without handles is a cylinder!

□  
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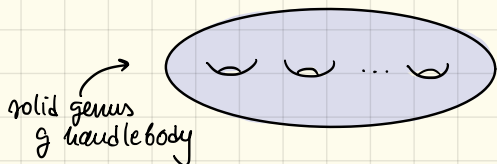
## Class 22

### § 3-MANIFOLDS.

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Recall:

We saw that any closed 3-manifold has a Heegaard decomposition:



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

$$\varphi: \partial H_g \rightarrow \partial H_g$$

for some genus  $g$

Example.



is  $L(3,1)$

Note:  $\mu$  = meridian  
 $\lambda$  = longitude



Heegaard splittings can be given by diagrams in the plane:

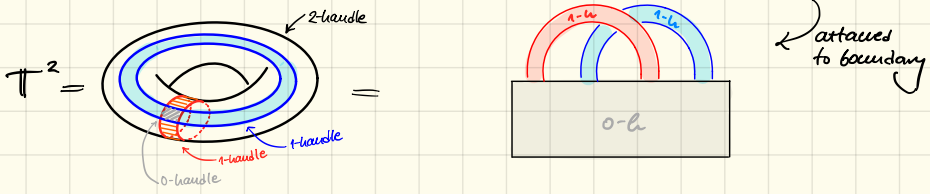
= blackboard  
 $= \mathbb{R}^2 (\cup \infty)$

$L(3,1)$ :



# How to draw $T^3 = S^1 \times S^1 \times S^1$ ?

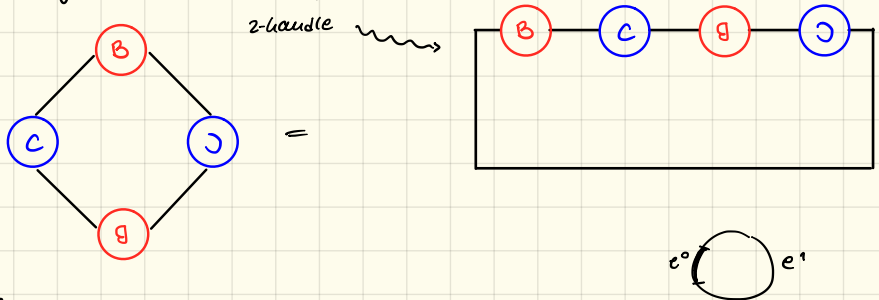
Step 1) handle decomposition of 2-torus



Step 2) handle decomposition of  $T^2 \times I$

$$2\text{-dim} \begin{cases} 0\text{-h} \\ 1\text{-h} \\ 2\text{-h} \end{cases} \Rightarrow 3\text{-dim} \begin{cases} 0\text{-h} \\ 1\text{-h} \\ 2\text{-h} \end{cases}$$

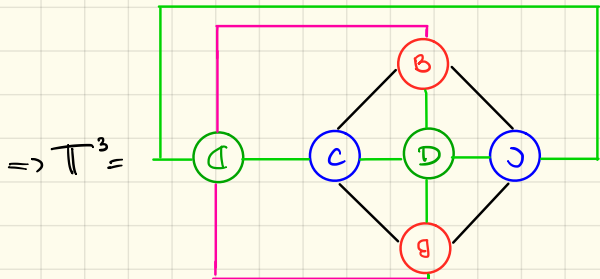
no:  
have two 1-handles and one 2-handle attached to analogous curve as in picture above:



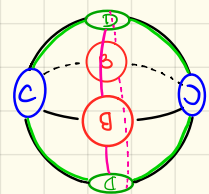
Step 3)  $T^3 = T^2 \times S^1 = (h_0 \cup h_a^1 \cup h_b^1 \cup h^2) \times (e^0, e^1)$

these give  $T^2 \times I$  ← add turns now

- \*  $h_0 \times e^1$  is a 1-handle with core = core( $h_0$ )  $\times$  core( $e^1$ )  
and att. sph =  $\partial$  core = a.s. ( )  $\times$  core( $e^1$ )
- \* a.s. ( $h_a^1 \times e^1$ ) = a.s. ( $h_a^1$ )  $\times$  core( $e^1$ )  $\cup$  core( $h_a^1$ )  $\times$  a.s.  $e^1$   $\cup$  core( $h_0$ )  $\times$  a.s. ( $e^1$ )



More symmetric picture on  $S^2$ :

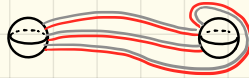


Aside: saw thru of  $T^3$  as a cube with opposite faces identified:

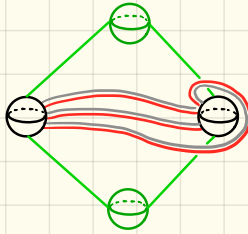


How to draw  $L(3,1) \times S^1$  ?

$L(3,1) \times \mathbb{I}$



$L(3,1) \times S^1$

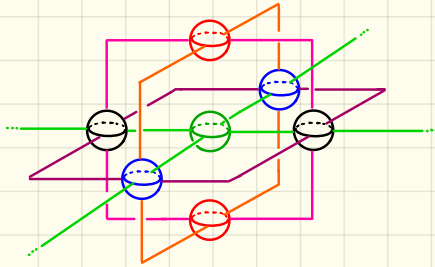


we add one 1-h. and one 2-h

How to draw  $T^4$  ?

again: take  $T^3 \times \mathbb{I}$  and add one 1-h and two 2-h.  
(= thicken picture for  $T^3$ )

$T^4$



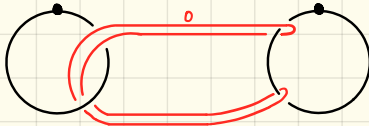
the other green  $\odot$  is at  $\infty$ .

all 2-handles are 0-framed.

[see Gompf-Stipsicz fig 4.42 p137]

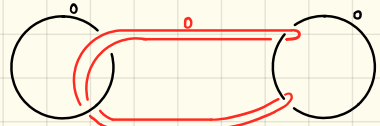
How to draw  $T^2 \times D^2$  ?

$T^2 \times D^2$



$\partial = T^3$

Note:



also has

$\partial = T^3$

Note:

$$\partial(\bigcirc^\bullet) = \partial(\bigcirc^0) = S^1 \times D^2$$

(see HWA2)

## § SURGERY or "spherical modification":

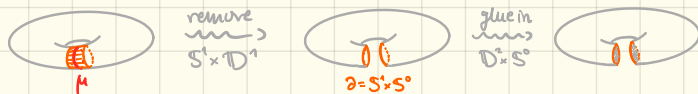
Let  $\text{int } M^n \supset S^k \times D^{n-k}$  ( $M$  can have non-empty boundary)

Surgery is a procedure:

$$M \rightsquigarrow (M - S^k \times D^{n-k}) \cup (D^{k+1} \times S^{n-k-1})$$

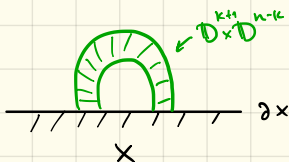
has "new" boundary component  $S^k \times S^{n-k}$

Example of surgery on  $T^2$ :



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

! ATTACHING HANDLES changes boundary by surgery:



schematic of att. of a  $(k+1)$ -handle to the  $(n+1)$ -dim<sup>e</sup> w/ld  $X$

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

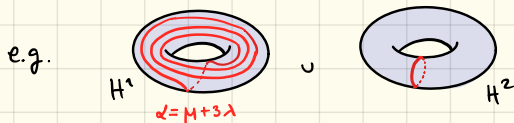
$$\partial(X \cup D^{k+1} \times D^{n-k}) = \text{surgery on } S^k \times D^{n-k} \text{ in } \partial X.$$

## § DEHN SURGERY.

Let  $K \subset S^3$  with a tubular nbhd  $\nu K$   
then

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

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



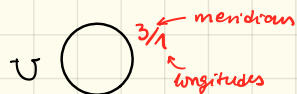
(Can think of this Heeg. decomp of  $L(3,1)$  also as a Dehn surgery.

Namely:  $H^1 = S^3 - \nu U$  and we are gluing  $H^2$  using  $\alpha$

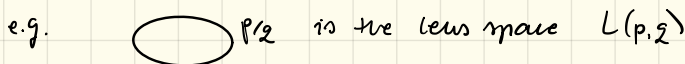
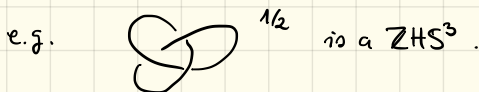
On one hand:  $\alpha = \mu + 3\lambda$  on  $\partial H^1 = T^2$

but on the other hand:  $\alpha = \lambda + 3\mu$  on  $\partial(\nu U) = T^2$

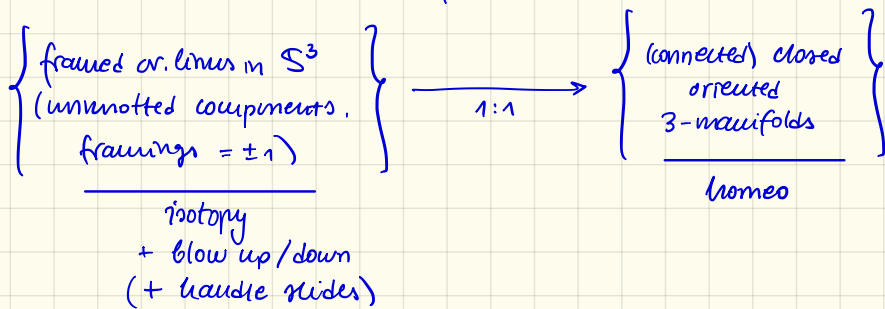
The latter is Dehn surgery on  $(3,1)$ -curve on  $U$ , we write:



"Dehn surgery diagram"



## Fundamental Theorem of 3-manifolds. [Kirby]



## § SURGERY &amp; DEHN SURGERY

Recall:

Surgery is the effect on the boundary when we attach a handle.

i.e.

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

where  $\hat{\varphi}: S^k \times D^{n-k} \hookrightarrow M^n$  is the att. map for  $h$   
or equivalently:

$$\varphi: S^k \hookrightarrow M^n \quad (\text{att. sphere})$$

with framing  $f$  of the normal bundle

So surgery on  $(\varphi, f)$  is the manifold:

$$\left( M^n - \hat{\varphi}(S^k \times D^{n-k}) \right) \cup_{\hat{\varphi}|_{S^k \times S^{n-k-1}}} \left( D^{k+1} \times S^{n-k-1} \right)$$

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

Prop.

If  $C \subset M^4$  is a null-homotopic circle,  
then the result of surgery on  $M$  along  $C$   
is either:

$$M \# S^2 \times S^2 \quad \text{or} \quad M \# S^2 \tilde{\times} S^2$$

(these might not be distinct, depending on  $M$ )

(recall that there are precisely two  $S^2$ -bundles over  $S^2$ ,  
clutching function corresponds to an elt of  $\pi_1 SO(3) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2$ )

proof.

Write  $M = M \# S^4$ Consider  $C_0 \subset S^3 \subset S^4$  with  $C_0$  null-homotopic.In particular,  $C$  is homotopic to  $C_0$ . ///



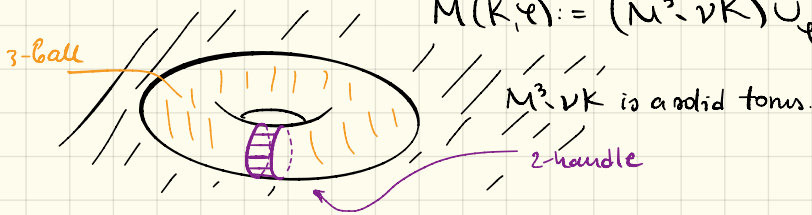
Homotopy implies isotopy for loops in a 4-manifold  
 $\Rightarrow C$  and  $C_0$  are isotopic.

By construction, the two possible framings on  $C_0$  (even/odd) transform  $S^4$  to  $S^2 \times S^2$  or  $S^2 \tilde{\times} S^2$ .

$$\begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \text{inter} \\ \text{form} \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \text{diff.} \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \square$$

Recall: Dehn surgery on  $M^3$  (oriented 3-manifold) along  $K \subset M^3$  and according to a framing  $\varphi: \mathbb{T}^2 \xrightarrow[\text{diff.}]{\cong} \mathbb{T}^2$  is the manifold:

$$M(K, \varphi) = (M^3 - \nu K) \cup_{\varphi} S^1 \times \mathbb{D}^2$$



Note: In  $S^3$   $\varphi$  is given precisely by a pair of rel. prime integers.  
 If  $K$  is oriented, define  $\mu$  = positive meridian  
 $\lambda$  = 0-framed longitude

(note: changing orientation of  $K$  changes orientation of both  $\mu$  &  $\lambda$  so the orientation of  $K$  is irrelevant)

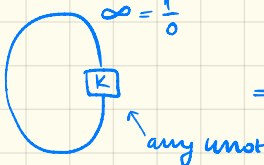
For  $(p, q) = 1$ :  $p\mu + q\lambda$  is a unique simple closed curve in  $\mathbb{T}^2 = \partial(\mathbb{R}^3 - \nu K)$

examples.

(a)  $0 = \frac{0}{1} \rightsquigarrow 0\mu + 1\lambda$   
 $\nu$  = unknot

Thus represents  $S^2 - \nu U \cong S^1 \times \mathbb{D}^2$   $\cup$   $= S^1 \times S^2$

b)  $\infty = \frac{1}{0}$

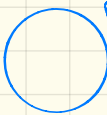


$$= L(1,0) = S^3$$

e.g.  $S^{\infty} = S^3$

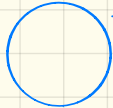
because: we remove a solid torus and glue it back same way.

c)  $\frac{p}{2}$

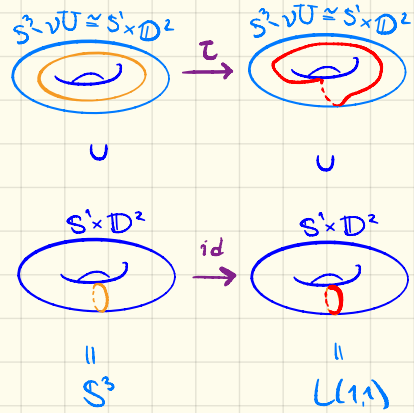


$$= L(p,2) \quad \text{the lens space with } \pi_1 \cong \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$$

d)  $\pm 1$



$$= L(\pm 1,1) = S^3 \quad \text{because}$$




There is a map  $\tau$  which is a diffeo, and agrees on boundary with gluing maps.

Namely:

$\tau$  = extension of Dehn twist along meridian to solid tori.

More generally:  $L(p,q) \cong L(p,q+n \cdot p)$  for any  $n$ .  
(try to prove similarly as  $p=2=n$ )

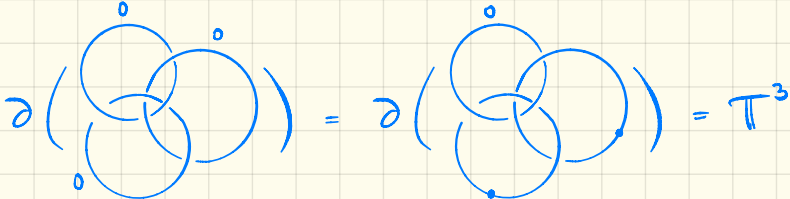
e)  $0$



$$= S^3$$

(Try to prove this without thinking about 4-manifolds)

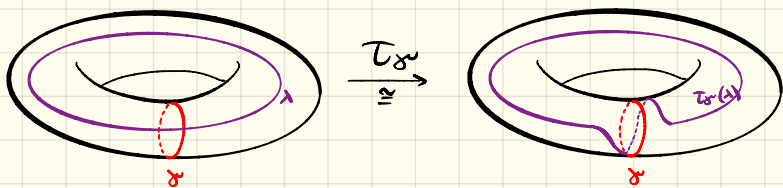
Big Insight: Integer-framed Dehn surgery is naturally the boundary of the 4-manifold  $B^4 \cup \{2\text{-handles}\}$  and in that case Dehn surgery = surgery.

(f)   $\partial(\text{link}) = \partial(\text{link}) = \mathbb{T}^3$

### Theorem [Lickorish-Wallace '60's]

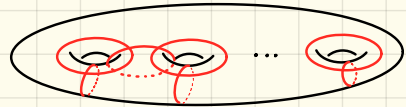
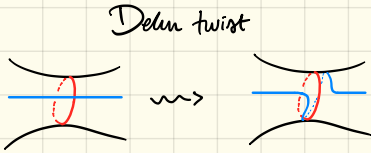
Every closed oriented 3-manifold is the result of Dehn surgery along some link in  $S^3$ .  
The link can be chosen to have unknotted components and all the framings  $\pm 1$ .

Defn. A Dehn twist  $\tau_\gamma$  along  $\gamma \subseteq \mathbb{T}^2$



Lickorish twist theorem.

Eg closed orientable genus  $g$  surface  
Any orient-pres. homeo of  $\Sigma_g$   
is isotopic to some product of  
(positive or negative) Dehn twists  
about following  $3g-1$  curves:



- we omit proof of this theorem.

Recall from last time:

THEOREM of  
Lickorish - Wallace:  
(1960's)

Every closed orientable connected 3-mfld  
is the result of Dehn surgery along  
some link in  $S^3$ .

Lemma. Let  $H_g$  be genus  $g$  3-dim<sup>2</sup> handlebody.

For any

$$f: \partial H_g \xrightarrow{\cong} \partial H_g$$

there exist pairwise disjoint  $\{V_i\}_{i=1}^r$  and pairwise disjoint  $\{V'_i\}_{i=1}^r$   
solid tori in  $H_g$  s.t.  $f$  extends to a homeo

$$\bar{f}: H_g - (\dot{V}_1 \cup \dots \cup \dot{V}_r) \rightarrow H_g - (\dot{V}'_1 \cup \dots \cup \dot{V}'_r)$$

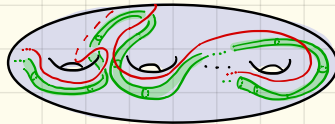
proof of Lemma.

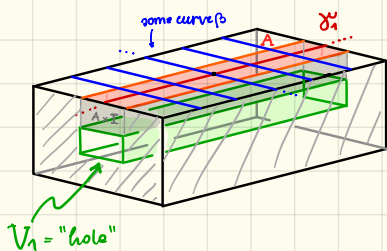
$f \cong \prod_{i=1}^r \tau_i$  where  $\tau_i$  are Dehn twist along  $\mathcal{K}_i$

Assertion: suffices to prove for  $\prod \tau_i$  (use the isotopy in a collar)

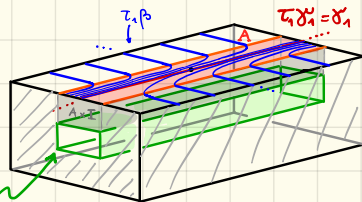
Now consider annulus neighborhood of  $\mathcal{K}_i$ . "Push" them into the handlebody.

example





\$\tau\_1\$



Define  $\bar{\tau}_1 := \begin{cases} \tau_1 \times \text{id}, & \text{on } A \times I \\ \text{id} & , \text{ on } H_g \setminus V_1 \end{cases}$

Similarly define  $V_i$  for all  $i$ ,  
and ensure  $V_i$  lies "below"  $V_{i-1}$ ,  
so they are pairwise disjoint.

Define  $V_i'$  as follows:  $V_r' = V_r$ ,  $V_i' = \bar{\tau}_r \circ \bar{\tau}_{r-1} \circ \dots \circ \bar{\tau}_{i+1}(V_i)$

Define  $\bar{f} := \bar{\tau}_r \circ \bar{\tau}_{r-1} \circ \dots \circ \bar{\tau}_1$ .

this is needed since the curves  $\partial_i$   
may intersect with one another. ■

proof of THEOREM:

Let  $M^3$  closed connected oriented.

$\exists g$  s.t.  $M = H_g^1 \cup_f H_g^2$

Heegaard decomposition.

with  $f: \partial H_g^1 \rightarrow \partial H_g^2$

Let  $S^3 = H_{g'}^1 \cup_{f'} H_{g'}^2$  of same genus.

with  $f': \partial H_{g'}^1 \rightarrow \partial H_{g'}^2$

$S^3$   
||  
 $H_{g'}^1 \xrightarrow{\text{id}} H_g^1$   
 $\cup_{f'}$   
 $H_{g'}^2$

$M^3$   
||  
 $H_g^1$   
 $\cup_f$   
 $H_g^2$

induces the map  $f \circ f'^{-1}: \partial H_{g'}^2 \rightarrow \partial H_g^2$

By Lemma this extends away  
from some solid tori.

$\Rightarrow M$  is a Dehn surgery on some link in  $S^3$

because:

it is obtained from  $S^3 \setminus (V_1 \cup \dots \cup V_r)$  by gluing back  $V_1' \cup \dots \cup V_r'$ .

In fact: the link has unknotted components [but not the unlink!]  
and framings are all  $\pm 1$ .

← to see this need to see  
which curve on  $V_i$  is mapped to  
meridian of  $V_i$ . ■

Corollary. Any closed oriented connected 3-manifold is the boundary of an oriented simply-connected 4-manifold.

Question: Is there a minimal number of components for a link describing the given 3-manifold?

AUCKLY '97: two examples of  $\mathbb{Z}H\mathbb{S}^3$  which are not Dehn surgery on a knot  
 HOM-KARAKURT-LIDMAN 2014: infinitely many examples of  $\mathbb{Z}H\mathbb{S}^3$  not surgery on a knot (all produced by surgery on a 2-comp link).

Open question: Is there a family of  $\mathbb{Z}H\mathbb{S}^3$ 's which require arbitrarily many components in a surgery diagram?

Kirby's THEOREM. Integer framed links in  $S^3$  correspond to diffeomorphic 3-manifolds iff they are related by a sequence of:

ISOTOPY

HANDLE SLIDES

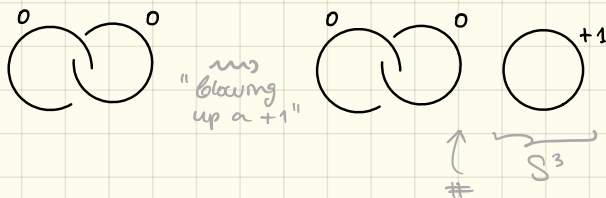
BLOW UP/DOWN.

Fenn-Rourke improvement: handle slides are not necessary if general blow ups/downs allowed.

(simple) BLOW UP: add a  $\pm 1$ -framed unknotted split from your diagram

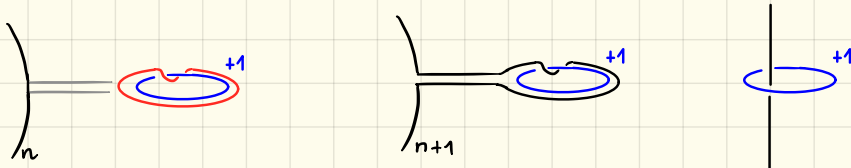
(simple) BLOW DOWN: remove  $-1$ -

example.

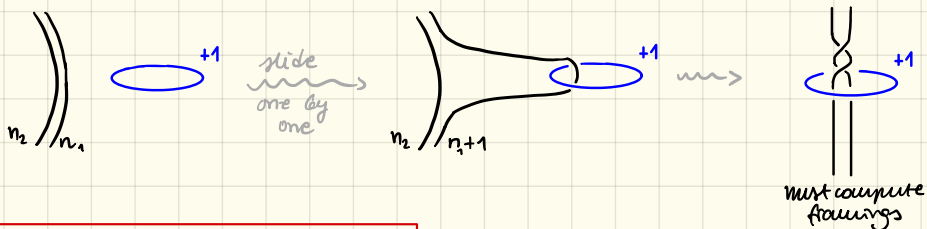


Recall. For 4-manifolds this is connecting sum with  $\mathbb{C}P^2$  or  $\overline{\mathbb{C}P^2}$  in the interior of the 4-manifold.

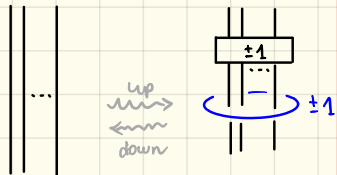
Now can slide over this  $O^{+1}$ :



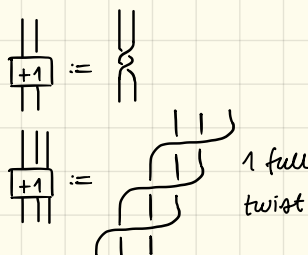
more strands:



GENERAL BLOW UP / DOWN:



here box means:



⚠ note: if a handle  $h_i$  has  $k_i$  strands in the collection  $\{ \dots \}$  (algebraic count with sign), then blow up/down changes its framing by  $+k_i^2 / -k_i^2$  (check this using double-strand notation or inter. form)

proof of Kirby's theorem:

( $\Rightarrow$ )  $L_1, L_2$  links

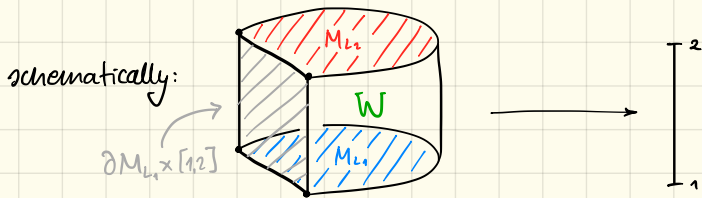
Let  $M_{L_1}$  and  $M_{L_2}$  be the corr. 4-manifolds with  $\partial M_{L_1} \cong \partial M_{L_2}$ .

Define

$$N^4 = M_{L_1} \cup (\partial M_{L_1} \times [0,1]) \cup -M_{L_2}$$

Now connect sum  $M_{L_1}$  with  $\pm \mathbb{C}P^2$  until  $\sigma(N) = 0$   
signature of inter. form of  $N$ .

Thom's Theorem:  $\mathcal{O}(N) = 0 \Rightarrow N^4 = \partial W^5$   
 ↖ connected oriented smooth 5-mfld



Let  $f: W \rightarrow [1, 2]$  be a Morse fn. s.t.  $f^{-1}(i) = M_{L_i} \quad i=1, 2$   
 $f|_{\partial M_{L_i} \times [1, 2]}$  projection.

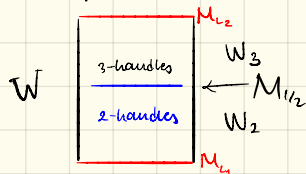
i.e.

$W$  is built by attaching handles to  $M_{L_1}$

Now we modify  $W$  without changing its boundary:

- $W$  is connected  $\Rightarrow$  cancel all 0-handles  
cancel all 5-handles
- Do surgery on circles to make  $W$  simply-connected  
(do surgery on generators of  $\pi_1 W$  in interior of  $W$ )  
then do handle trading until no 1-handles.  
(i.e. replace 1-handles by 3-handles) (see classes 26&27 for more details)  
Similarly, cancel all 4-handles.

$\Rightarrow$  Only 2- and 3-handles are left:



Let  $M_{L_{1/2}} :=$  the "middle level" of  $W$  i.e.

$$M_{L_{1/2}} = \partial(M_{L_1} \cup 2\text{-h})$$

$$= \partial(M_{L_2} \cup 3\text{-h})$$

upside down

All circles in  $M_{L_i}$  are null-homotopic.

By proposition from the last class:

$$M_{L_{1/2}} = M_{L_1} \# \#_{k_1} S^2 \times S^2 \# \#_{\ell_1} S^{2\nu} \times S^2$$

$$= M_{L_2} \# \#_{k_2} S^2 \times S^2 \# \#_{\ell_2} S^2 \times S^2$$



Now use the HWA2 (Bonus):  $S^2 \times S^2 \# CP^2 = \bigcirc^{+1} \bigcirc^{-1} \bigcirc^{+1}$   
 $S^2 \times S^2 = \bigcirc_{+1} \bigcirc_{-1}$

so we can go from  $L_1$  to  $L'_1$   
 $L_2$  to  $L'_2$  so that  $M_{L'_1} \cong M_{L'_2}$ .

Can I now go from handle decomposition  $L_1$  to handle decomposition  $L_2$  using only handle slides?  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Lattes are} \\ \text{h.d. of } W_{1/2} \end{array} \right\}$

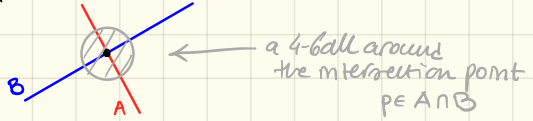
Kirby: using Cerf theory Yes.  
(can avoid birth-death cancellation).

□

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§ INTERLUDE:  
surfaces in 4-manifolds.

Given surfaces  $A, B$  in a 4-manifold



On the boundary  $S^3$  of a small ball around  $p$  we find a link  $A \cap S^3 \cup B \cap S^3$ .

If this link were *slice* i.e. components bound pairwise disjoint smooth disks in  $\mathbb{B}^4$  then we could modify  $A$  and  $B$  (preserving homology classes) by gluing on slice disks and removing bad point  $p$ .

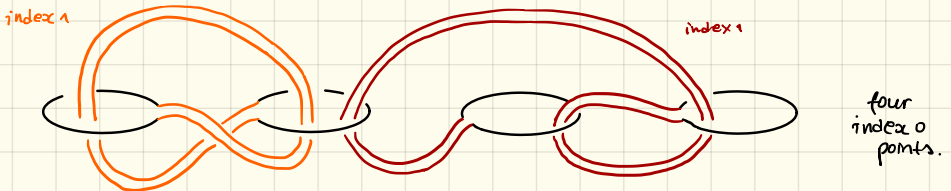
exercise. in the case of the above picture the link is not slice. Why?

Defn. A link  $L \subseteq S^3$  is said to be *ribbon*

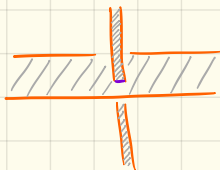
(recall from lectures) if the components bound pairwise disjoint smooth disks in  $\mathbb{B}^4$  and HWS and have NO LOCAL MAXIMA.

i.e. the disks have only index 0 and 1 critical points

Equivalently: "bottom up" a ribbon link is produced from an unlink fused together by some bands, which always reduce the number of components (otw would create genus).



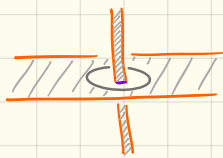
Equivalently: a ribbon link bounds a collection of **ribbon discs** in  $S^3$   
 (recall HW 5) i.e. a collection of immersed discs in  $S^3$   
 whose only singularities are of the form



this is a **ribbon intersection** in  $S^3$

Note:

can push a part of disc into  $B^4$



↑ time

Slice-ribbon Conjecture (open!)  
 Any slice link is ribbon.

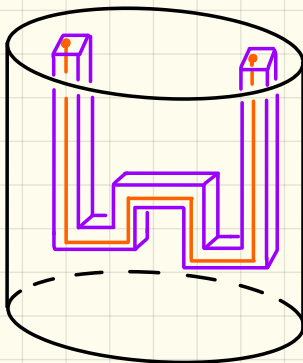
### § Kirby Diagrams for Ribbon Disc Complements.

A ribbon disc has a natural handle decomposition  
 $n$  0-handles and  $(n-1)$  1-handles for some  $n$ .

in general: Given  $(Y^m, \partial Y^m) \hookrightarrow (B^n, \partial B^n)$   
 then every  $k$ -handle of  $Y$  gives  
 a  $(k+n-m-1)$ -handle of  $B^n - \nu Y^m$

for us  $m=2, n=4$ .

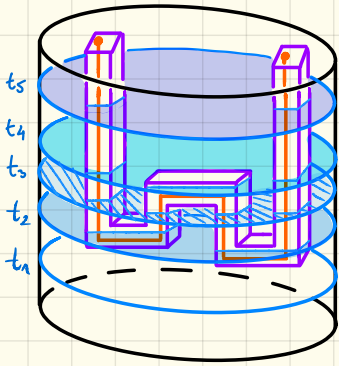
But let's look  
 at  $m=1, n=3$ :



Let us determine  
 the complement of  
 the tubular  
 neighbourhood (purple)  
 of the orange curve.

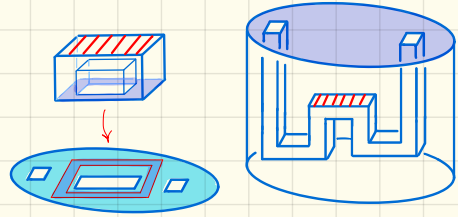
- as a series of level pictures.

$0\text{-handles} \leftarrow \rightarrow (0+3-1-1) = 1\text{-handles of complement}$   
 $1\text{-handles} \leftarrow \rightarrow (1+3-1-1) = 2\text{-handles of complement}$



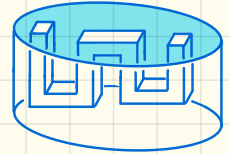
$t=t_5$

attach a 2-handle as "a roof"



$t=t_4$

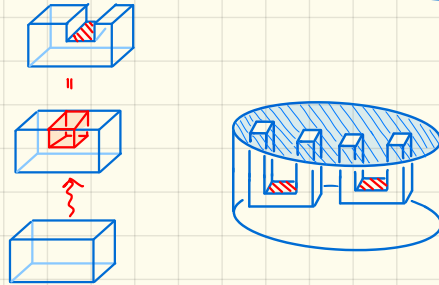
just make a depression (poke your finger between two inner square-holes)



$t=t_3$

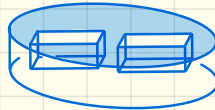
We attached two 1-handles to the complement

namely:

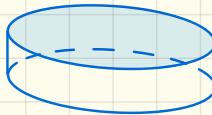


$t=t_2$

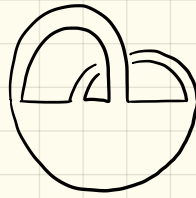
this is still a  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with two "depressions"



$t=t_1$



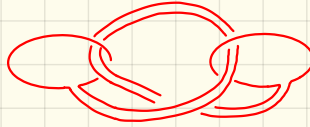
Complement of a surface  $F \subseteq \mathbb{B}^4$



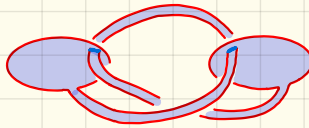
drawings always need to examine above construction.

Ribbon disc complement:

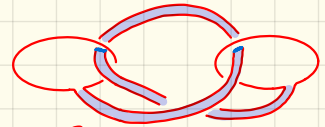
Stevardovs knot



a choice of a ribbon disc for it

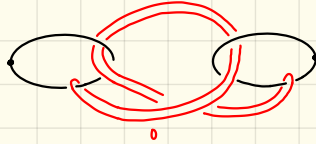


in  $S^3$



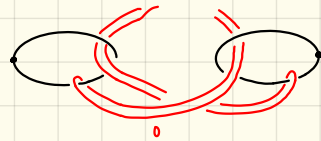
1-handle in  $\mathbb{B}^4$  (more)

the complement in  $\mathbb{B}^4$



! Same knot can have non-isotopic ribbon discs

another example for Stev. knot:



PREVIEW of next lectures:

Wall '60's: If  $M_0$  and  $M_1$  are smooth simply-connected closed 4-manifolds with isomorphic inter. forms then they are h-cobordant.

Freedman: 5-dim<sup>t</sup> h-cobordisms are topologically a product.

Curtis-Horsang-Freedman-Strong - Matveyev - Bizaca - Kirby



Open problem session: next Tuesday (Jan 29)

### Theorem [Wall '60s]

If  $M_0, M_1$  are smooth simply-connected closed 4-manifolds with isomorphic intersection forms, then they are (smoothly) h-cobordant.

Recall: h-cobordant means  $\exists W^5$  smooth s.t.  $\partial W = -M_0 \cup M_1$   
and  $\iota_i: M_i \hookrightarrow W$  is a homotopy equivalence.  $i=0,1$

! not true for topological 4-manifolds:

e.g.  $\exists$  a topological simply-conn. closed 4-mfld called  $*\mathbb{C}P(2)$   
it has inter. form  $\langle +1 \rangle$ , but it is not homeo to  $\mathbb{C}P(2)$

(actually:  $*\mathbb{C}P(2)$  and  $\mathbb{C}P(2)$  are not even topologically cobordant (since they have different Kirby-Siebenmann invariants)  
so already the first part of the proof fails)

### Theorem [Freedman '80s]

Any smooth simply-connected h-cobordism is homeomorphic to a product.

Corollary. Smooth simply-connected closed 4-manifolds with isomorphic inter. forms are homeomorphic.

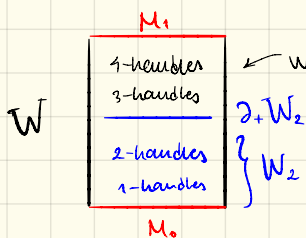
proof of Wall's theorem:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(M_0) = \sigma(M_1) &\Rightarrow \sigma(-M_0 \cup M_1) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \exists W \text{ a cobordism from } M_0 \text{ to } M_1 \\ &\quad (\text{Thm: } \Omega_4^{\text{or}} \xrightarrow{\sigma} \mathbb{Z}) \end{aligned}$$

Goal: improve  $W$  to a h-cobordism.

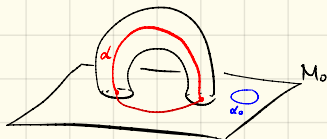
- 1) do surgery on circles in  $W$  to make  $\pi_1 W$  trivial.
- 2) assume there are no 0- and 5-handles
- 3) assume there are no 1- and 4-handles: HANDLE TRADING.

# § What is handle trading?



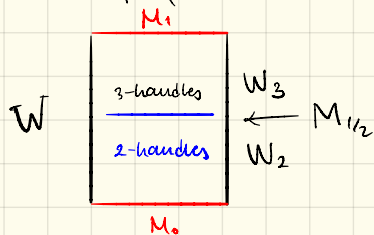
We trade every 1-handle for a 3-handle:

- note that  $M_i$  and  $W$  are simply conn.
- Let  $h$  be any 1-h. in  $W$ .
- Let  $\alpha = (\text{core of } h) \cup (\text{an arc joining the feet of } h)$
- Push  $\alpha$  into  $\partial_+ W_2$  (by transversality).



- Let  $\alpha_0$  be an unknotted in  $\partial_+ W_2$  away from all 1-, 2-h.
- Introduce to  $W$  a cancelling 2-/3-handle pair, where 2-handle is attached to  $\alpha_0$  with triv. framing.
- Note:  $\alpha$  and  $\alpha_0$  are isotopic in  $\partial_+ W_2$  since:
  - $\partial_+ W_2$  is simply-connected (because  $W-W_2$  &  $M_1$  are simply-conn).
  - homotopy implies isotopy for loops in in 4-mfld.
- Use the 2-h. att. to  $\alpha_0$  to cancel  $h$ . (Remains a 3-handle.)

Back to proof.



Since  $M_0$  and  $M_1$  are simply-conn. by our previous Proposition: (see Class 24) (Dan 10)

$$M_{1/2} \cong M_0 \# k_0 S^2 \times S^2 \# l_0 S^2 \times S^2$$

$$\cong M_1 \# k_1 S^2 \times S^2 \# l_1 S^2 \times S^2$$

Claim. We can assume there are no  $S^2 \times S^2$  summands, i.e.  $l_0 = l_1 = 0$ .

Corollary of the Claim.  
(and proof so far)

If  $M_0$  and  $M_1$  are smooth simply-connected closed  
with isomorphic inter. forms,  
then there is  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

$$M_0 \#_{\mathbb{R}} S^2 \times S^2 \stackrel{\cong}{\underset{\text{diffeo}}{=}} M_1 \#_{\mathbb{R}} S^2 \times S^2$$

**Defn.** We say that  $M_0$  and  $M_1$   
are **stably diffeomorphic**.

Open Question: Is  $k=1$  enough? all examples we know: yes.

proof of the claim. The inter. form  $Q_{M_i}$  is either even ( $\forall x \in H_2 \quad Q(x,x)$  even)  
or odd (not even)

A spin structure on a smooth manifold  
is a (homotopy class of a) trivialisation  
of the tangent bundle over the 1-skeleton  
that extends over the 2-skeleton.

Note:  $M$  is spin  $\stackrel{iff}{\iff}$   $M$  has a spin structure  $\iff \underbrace{w_1(M)=0 \text{ and } w_2(M)=0}_{M \text{ orientable}}$

**Fact:**  $M^4$  simply-connected, compact (not nec. closed)  
Then  $M^4$  is spin iff  $Q_M$  is even.

**Fact:** The boundary of a spin manifold is spin.

**Rochlin Theorem:** Any spin smooth 4-manifold with zero signature  
bounds a spin smooth 5-manifold.



Returning to proof: suppose  $Q_M$  even.

Then  $-M \cup M$  spin and has zero signature.

Use Rohlin's theorem instead of Thurston's to get spin cob.  $W$  do surgery on circles with 'correct' framing. so  $W$  stays spin.

$$\Rightarrow W_2 \text{ spin} \Rightarrow M_{1/2} \text{ spin} \Rightarrow Q_{M_{1/2}} \text{ even.}$$

It follows that  $Q_{M_{1/2}}$  cannot contain  $Q_{S^2 \times S^2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Hence:

$M_{1/2}$  has no  $S^2 \times S^2$ -summands.

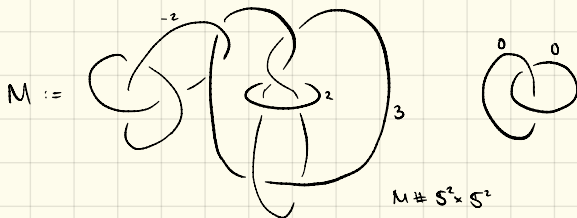
Now suppose  $Q_M$  odd?

Proposition. If  $Q_M$  odd, then:  $M \# S^2 \times S^2$  is diffeomorphic to  $M \# S^2 \tilde{\times} S^2$

(Recall: we saw this for  $M = \mathbb{C}P^2$ )

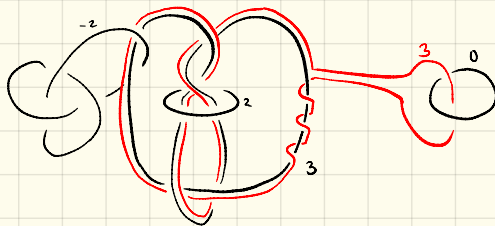
proof sketch. Consider the case of no 1-handles. in  $M$ .

eg.



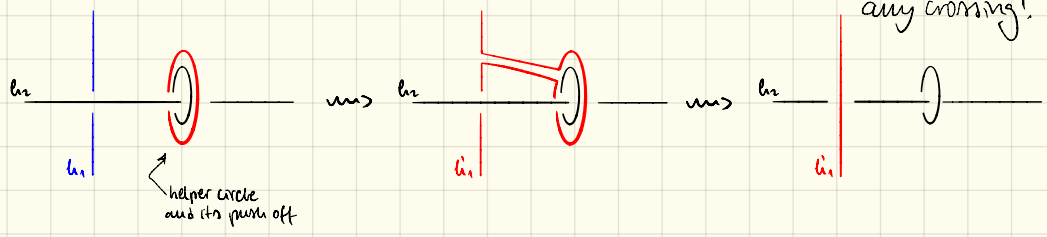
note:

there must be  
at least one odd  
framing.

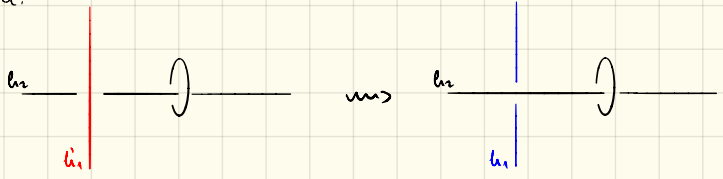


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Now: 0-framed meridians are called helper circles. They can change any crossing!

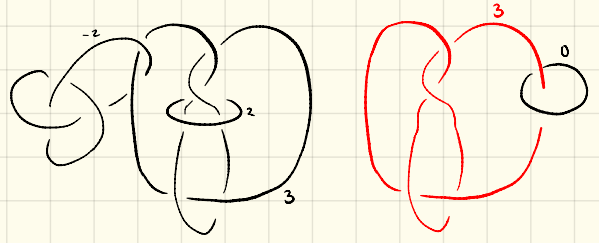


and vice versa:



The framing only changes when  $h_2 = h_1$

Now can transform  $\star$  to:



and unbo all crossings in red circle until it is unknotted.  
 Do handle slides over helper circle until it has framing +1. □



**Theorem 1 [Wall]**  $M_0, M_1$  smooth closed simply-conn.  $Q_{M_0} \cong Q_{M_1}$   
 Then  $\exists K \geq 0$  s.t.  $M_0 \# K S^2 \times S^2$  diffeo to  $M_1 \# K S^2 \times S^2$

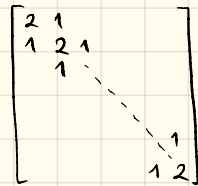
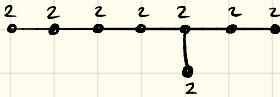
**Theorem 2 [Wall]**  $M_0, M_1$  smooth closed simply-conn.  $Q_{M_0} \cong Q_{M_1}$   
 Then  $M_0$  and  $M_1$  are smoothly h-cobordant.

**Theorem 3 [Wall]**  $M$  smooth closed simply-conn  
 $Q_M$  indefinite.  
 Then any automorphism of  $Q_{M \# S^2 \times S^2}$   
 is realised by a self-diffeomorphism of  $M \# S^2 \times S^2$ .

**Definition.**  $Q_M$  is positive definite if  $Q_M(\alpha, \alpha) > 0 \quad \forall \alpha \in H_2(M; \mathbb{Z})$   
negative definite if  $Q_M(\alpha, \alpha) < 0 \quad \forall \alpha \in H_2(M; \mathbb{Z})$   
indefinite otherwise.

eg.  $[+1]$  pos. def,  $[-1]$  neg. def,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  indefinite.  
Standard definite forms are  $\bigoplus [+1]$ ,  $\bigoplus [-1]$  for  $n \geq 1$ .  
 $E_8$  is pos. def. but not standard:

Dynkin diagram:



Aside: **Donaldson's Theorem:**

If a smooth closed simply-conn. 4-manifold  
 has definite intersection form,

then it must be one of standard definite forms.

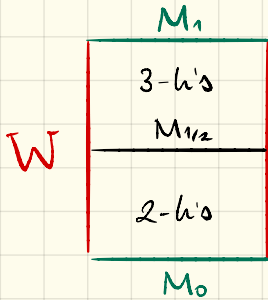
Remark. Later work shows that no need to restrict to simply-comm.

Note: In contrast, any symmetric unimodular integral bilinear form is realized as the intersection form of a closed simply-comm. topological 4-manifold. [Freedman]

proof of Thm 3 (idea): Wall identified the group of auto's of  $Q_{M \# S^2 \times S^2} = Q_M \oplus \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and then realized them by self-diffeo's of  $M \# S^2 \times S^2$ .  $\square$

proof of Thms 1 & 2 (cont'd):

We had built  $W$  = smooth cobordism between  $M_0$  &  $M_1$  with only 2- and 3-handles.



We observed:  $M_{1/2} \cong M_0 \#_K S^2 \times S^2$   
 $\cong M_1 \#_K S^2 \times S^2$

(note: we proved odd case in case no 1-handles. (see last class) but in case there are 1-handles in  $M_0$  there is another argument.)

Plan for Thm 2:

$\square$  of Thm 1.

Cut  $W$  along  $M_{1/2}$  and reglue to get  $W'$  which is h-cobordism.

Note: It suffices to arrange that  $\pi_1 W' = 1$  and  $H_*(W, M_0)$  trivial. (Whitehead-Hurewicz implies  $M_0 \leftarrow W'$  litry isur. Poincaré-Lefschetz implies  $M_1 \leftarrow W'$  also litry isur)

$Q_{M_{1/2}}$  is indefinite as long  $k \geq 1$  (otw we are done).

By Theorem 3 any automorphism of  $Q_{M_{1/2}}$  is realized by a self-diffeo as long as  $(k \geq 2)$  or  $(Q_{M_0}$  is indefinite and  $k \geq 1$ )

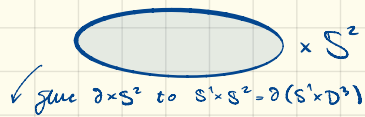
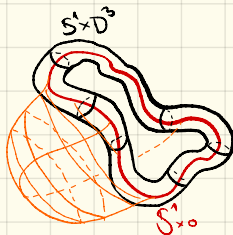
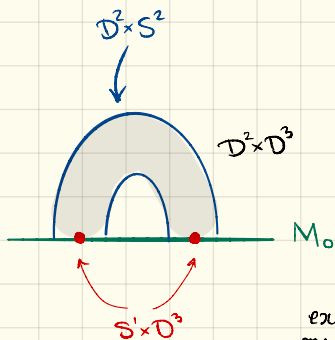
↑ (can accomplish this by adding a cancelling 2-/3-h pair.

=> algebra is controlling geometry!

We choose the right automorphism of  $Q_{M_{1/2}}$ .

$$H_2(M_{1/2}; \mathbb{Z}) = H_2(M_0) \oplus \mathbb{Z} \langle \alpha_1, \bar{\alpha}_1, \dots, \alpha_k, \bar{\alpha}_k \rangle$$

↑ core of 2-h  
↑ belt-sphere of 2-h



exists since no simply-conn.

fluo is  $S^2 \times S^2 - 4\text{-ball}$ .

=> We connected-gen  $M_0$  and  $S^2 \times S^2$

However, looking upside-down:

$$H_2(M_{1/2}; \mathbb{Z}) = H_2(M_1) \oplus \mathbb{Z} \langle \beta_1, \bar{\beta}_1, \dots, \beta_k, \bar{\beta}_k \rangle$$

↑ belt-sphere of upside-down 3-h  
↑ core of upside-down 3-h  
= att. sphere of 3-h

By tum. hypothesis  $\exists \varphi: H_2(M_1) \xrightarrow{\cong} H_2(M_0)$

inducing isomorphism  $Q_{M_1} \cong Q_{M_0}$

Extend it by sending

$$\beta_i \mapsto \bar{\varphi} \rightarrow \alpha_i \quad \forall i$$

e.g.  $\bar{\varphi}(\beta_i) = \alpha_i$

because  $Q(\underbrace{\bar{\varphi}(\beta_i)}_{\alpha_i}, \bar{\varphi}(\beta_i)) = Q(\beta_i, \beta_i) = 1$

Then by construction: " $\beta_i$  intersects  $\alpha_i$  once and  $\alpha_j$  zero times if  $i \neq j$ "

Thm 3 of Wall:  $\tilde{\varphi}: M_{1/2} \rightarrow M_{1/2}$  realizing  $\bar{\varphi}$ .

Now build  $W' := W_2 \cup_{\tilde{\varphi}} W_3$

Get that att. sph (3-h) intersects belt-sphere (2-h) alg. once, and all other belt spheres alg. zero times. ↖ for a single 2-h.

(Warning: we are changing  $W$  to a completely different cobordism  $W'$ )

□

[Curtis-Hsiang, Freedman-Stong, Matveyev-Kirby-Břizaca]

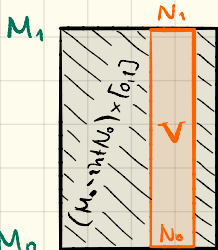
$M_0, M_1$  smooth closed simply-conn. smoothly h-cobordant via  $W$

Then there exists a sub h-cobordism  $V \subset W$

between submanifolds  $N_i \subset M_i$  s.t.

- 1)  $N_i, V$  are compact and contractible
- 2)  $W \setminus \text{int} V$  is diffeo to  $(M_0 \setminus \text{int} N_0) \times [0, 1]$
- 3)  $N_0$  and  $N_1$  are diffeo via a diffeo

which is an involution on the boundary  $\partial N_0$ .



W

$M_0$

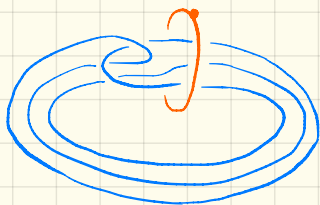
Definition. A cork is a compact smooth contractible 4-manifold  $A$  with a diffeo

$$f: \partial A \rightarrow \partial A$$

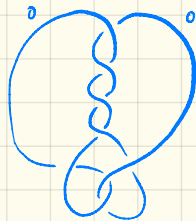
which does not extend to a self-diffeo of  $A$ .

note: some require  $f$  to be involution  
some require  $A$  to be "stem"

example.



has  $\partial =$



Arboreal cork (see HWA3.1)

Cork Twists

Any two homeomorphic smooth closed simply-con. 4-manifolds differ by a cork twist,

i.e. remove a cork from one  
reglue via an involution on the  $\partial$ .

proof of Cork Twists. Apply Wall's Thm 2, then CHFSMKB say:

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_1 &= (M_1 - \text{int} N_1) \cup N_1 \\
 &\parallel \\
 &(M_0 - \text{int} N_0) \cup N_1 \quad \swarrow \text{cork} \\
 &\parallel \\
 &N_0
 \end{aligned}$$

□

# Open Problems Session

Jan 29  
TUE

1) Poincaré Conjecture: Any smooth 4-manifold  $\Sigma^4$  which is a homotopy 4-sphere is diffeo to  $S^4$ .

$$\Leftrightarrow \bar{A} \cong *, \partial \bar{A} = S^3 \rightarrow A \cong \mathbb{D}^4$$

proof of  $\Rightarrow$ :  $\begin{matrix} \textcircled{\mathbb{D}^4} \\ A \end{matrix} \xrightarrow{S^3} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{smooth} \\ \xrightarrow{PC} S^4 \end{array} \right.$

Palais: any two maps of  $\mathbb{D}^n$  into a smooth  $n$ -mfd are isotopic up to reflection.

Hence  $A \cong \mathbb{D}^4$

proof of  $\Leftarrow$ :  $\Sigma \setminus \underset{\text{small}}{\mathbb{D}^4} = \bar{A}$ , then  $\bar{A} \cong *$  so  $\bar{A} \cong_{\mathbb{D}^4} \mathbb{D}^4$

Then  $\Sigma^4 = (\Sigma^4 \setminus \mathbb{D}^4) \cup_{S^3} \mathbb{D}^4 \cong \mathbb{D}^4 \cup_{\neq} \mathbb{D}^4 \xrightarrow{f_{S^3}: S^3 \rightarrow S^3}$

Cerf:  $\text{Diff}^+(S^3) \xleftarrow{\cong} SO(4)$  (neutral core of  $\pi_0$  of Laudenbaum-Poenaru)  
Hence  $\Sigma^4 \cong S^4$ .

2) Schoenflies Conjecture: A smooth  $S^3 \hookrightarrow S^4$  bounds a smooth  $\mathbb{D}^4 \subseteq S^4$ .

note:  $i: S^3 \hookrightarrow S^4$  has normal bundle  $S^3 \times I \hookrightarrow S^4$

Have by duality  $S^4 \setminus i(S^3) = A \cup B$ .

Put both boundary

$\bar{A}, \bar{B} \cong S^4$  are smooth 4-mfd's with  $\partial \cong S^3$

$\bar{A} \cong A \cong *$  because they are homology  $-\mathbb{D}^4$  (MV) and  $\pi_1$  trivial because can use

Seifert-Van-Kampen (have collar to get open)

Hence: Poincaré  $\Rightarrow$  Schoenflies.



\*  $\Theta_n =$  smooth oriented homotopy  $n$ -sphere / diffeo.

# gives comm. monoid with unit.

For all  $n \geq 5$  this is a finite group! since  $S^n \sim_{h\text{-cpt}} \Sigma \# -\Sigma$   
group of liberty spheres

For  $n=4$ :

$\Theta_4^{\text{inv}} \subseteq \Theta_4$  consists precisely of those  $\Sigma^4$   
s.t.

$$\Sigma \cdot \mathbb{D}^4 \cong S^4.$$

Poincaré conj:  $\Theta_4 = \{S^4\}$

Structure conj:  $\Theta_4^{\text{inv}} = \{S^4\}$ .

Is group completion trivial?

i.e.  $\forall \Sigma \in \Theta_4$  is there  $\Sigma' \in \Theta_4$

s.t.  $\Sigma \# \Sigma' = S^4$ .

Aside.

$\pi_n^{\text{st}} =$   $n$ -th homotopy group of spheres.

Pontrjagin-Thom:  $\pi_n^{\text{st}} \cong \Omega_n^{\text{fr}}$  bordism gr of framed  $n$ -flds

Have a map:  $\Theta_n \xrightarrow{\alpha} \Omega_n^{\text{fr}}$  / change of framing

i.e. homotopy spheres can be framed

kernel and cokernel are well-understood finite ab. grps (cf. Kervaire invariant problem)

Cor.  $\Theta_n$  is a finite group.

\* closed 4-manifolds with  $\infty$ -ly many smooth structures.

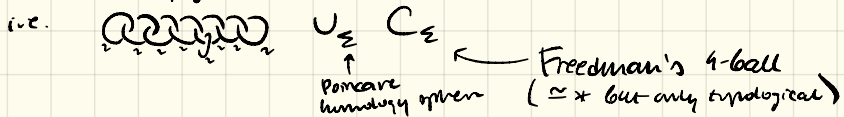
e.g.  $2\mathbb{C}P^2 \# \overline{\mathbb{C}P^2}$

There is no known 4-manifold with finitely many sm. str.

We don't know for e.g.  $S^4, \mathbb{C}P^2, \mathbb{C}P^2 \# \overline{\mathbb{C}P^2}, S^2 \times S^2$   
 $S^2 \times S^2$

3) Is the  $E_8$ -4-manifold a CW complex?

recall: closed top. simply-conn 4-mfld that is not smoothable



note:  $E_8$ -plumbing in dim 8 (no using  $TS^4$ ) is compact  $W^8$   
 with boundary an exotic 7-sphere.  
 This is generator of  $\Theta_7 = \mathbb{Z}/28\mathbb{Z}$

Note: there is no handle structure in  $E_8$ -4-manifold (Kirby-Siebenmann invt)  
 and no triangulation (Cannon invariant)

Note: any closed d-mfld is homotopy equivalent to a finite d-dim CW complex.

Is  $C_{\Sigma}$  CW complex? Is  $*\mathbb{C}P^2$  CW complex?

$\curvearrowright \cong \mathbb{C}P^2$  but  $K\mathbb{S} \neq 0$ .

4) Is any closed 4-mfld  $M$  homeomorphic to  $M_{\text{smooth}} \cup_{\Sigma} C_{\Sigma}$ ?  
 = can you cut every top mfld along a homology sphere  
 into a smooth 4-mfld and a contractible piece.

5)  $1/8$ -conjecture:  $\frac{b_2 M}{|6M|} \geq 1/8$  for  $M^4$  closed smooth indefinite  $\lambda_M$ .  
 even

Recall: mt. form  $\begin{cases} \text{definite: Donaldson} \\ \text{indefinite: classified by rank, } \sigma, \text{ parity} \end{cases}$   $\begin{cases} \text{even } \kappa \mathbb{F}_8 \oplus \mathbb{Z} \\ \text{odd } \kappa(1) \oplus (1) \end{cases}$

We can realize  $\mathbb{R}[1] \oplus \mathbb{R}[-1]$  by  $\# \mathbb{C}P^2 \# \overline{\mathbb{C}P^2}$

Alg. geom  $\Rightarrow$

$$2E_8 \oplus 3\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \text{has ratio } \frac{62}{151} = \frac{11}{8}$$

Can get  $\geq \frac{11}{8}$ . Can we get sth between  $\frac{10}{8}$  and  $\frac{11}{8}$ ?

Funta: can't get smaller.

Recall:  $\lambda_2: \pi_2 M \times \pi_2 M \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}[\pi_1 M]$  inter. "number"

$$\lambda_3: \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{three spheres} \\ \text{with pairwise} \\ \lambda_2 = 0 \end{array} \right\} \longrightarrow \frac{\mathbb{Z}[\pi_1 M \times \pi_1 M]}{\text{relations}}$$

$\cap$

$$\pi_2 M \times \pi_2 M \times \pi_2 M$$

Q: If  $M$  is closed  $\checkmark$  <sup>smooth</sup> does  $\lambda_2$  determine  $\lambda_3$ ?

Yes if  $\pi_1 M = 0$ .

(note:  $\lambda_3$  for topol. 4-mflds determines KS

thm.  $M$  closed topol,  $\pi_1 M = 0$ , odd  $\lambda_M$

$\exists c \in H_2 M$  st.

$$\lambda(x, x) \equiv \lambda(c, x) \pmod{2} \quad \forall x.$$

Then:

$$KS(M) = \frac{\lambda(c, c) - \sigma(M)}{8} + \tau(c)$$

$\tau(c)$   
↑  
inverted  
sign

$$\lambda_M \text{ even: } KS(M) = \frac{\sigma(M)}{8} \pmod{2}$$

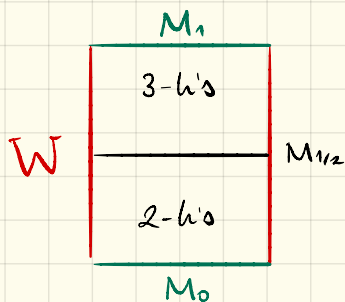
(0 indicator)

§ Overview of M. Freedman's work on topological 4-mflds.

§ h-cobordism

**Thm.** [Cannon, Freedman.] (first part by Cannon) Let  $W$  be a smooth  $h$ -cobordism between simply-connected 4-manifolds  $M_0$  and  $M_1$ . Then  $W$  is homeomorphic to  $M_0 \times [0, 1]$ .

proof. By standard arguments, assume  $W$  has only 2- and 3-handles.



$H_*(W, M_0) = 0 \Rightarrow$  By  $h$ -slides assume 2-/3-handles "cancel algebraically".

Recall: in high dim's "geometry follows from algebra". Here: we don't have the Whitney trick.

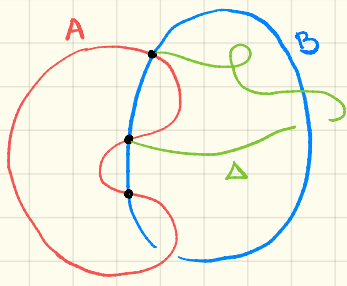
Let  $\{A_i\}$  be attaching spheres for 3-handles  
 Let  $\{B_j\}$  be left spheres for 2-handles.

$$A_i, B_j \subseteq M_{1/2}$$

algebraic cancellation means:  $\lambda(A_i, B_j) = \delta_{ij} \quad \forall i, j$

Plan: realise  $\lambda$  geometrically by approximating the Whitney trick.

For convenience, suppose there is only a single pair  $A, B$ .



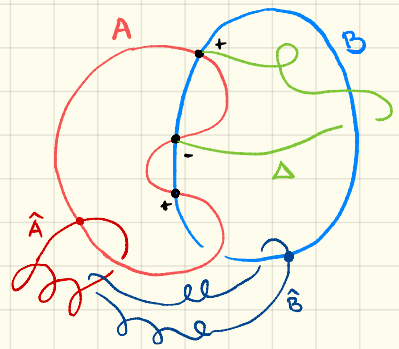
in  $M_{1/2}$  which is simply-con. Every loop null-homotopic  
 $\Delta$  = trace of null-homotopy

- can view it immersed
- can assume framed (by doing boundary twists if necessary.)

Recall:  $M_{1/2} \cong M_0 \# S^2 \times S^2$   
 $\cong M_1 \# S^2 \times S^2$

Arrows point from the equations to labels  $\hat{A}$ ,  $\hat{B}$ ,  $A$ , and  $B$ .

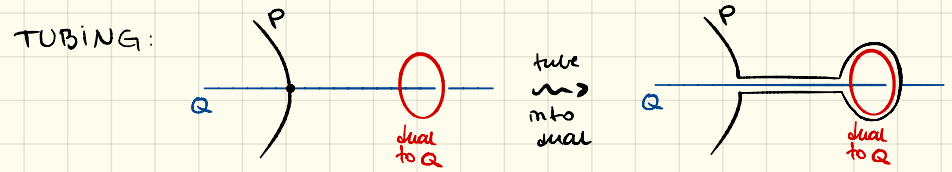
Problem 1: Get  $\text{int} \Delta \subseteq M_{1/2} - (A \cup B)$ .



Want to arrange this by tubing into geometrically dual spheres  $\hat{A}, \hat{B}$ .

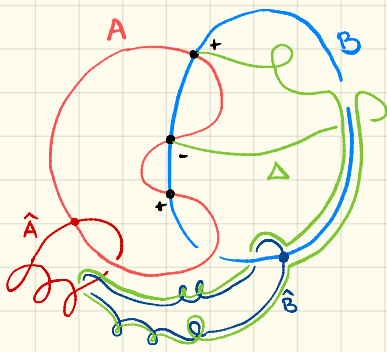
i.e.  $\hat{A} \cap A = \text{single pt}$   
 $\hat{A} \cap B = \emptyset$   
 $\hat{B} \cap B = \text{single pt}$   
 $\hat{B} \cap A = \emptyset$

$\hat{A}, \hat{B}$  framed immersed spheres



Note: As a consequence:  $\pi_1(M_{1/2} - (A \cup B)) = 1$

This is called:  $A \cup B$  is " $\pi_1$ -negligible".



after we tube.

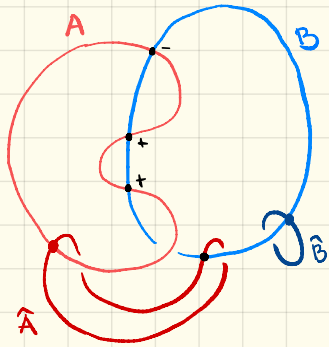
So problem is to find geometrically dual spheres.

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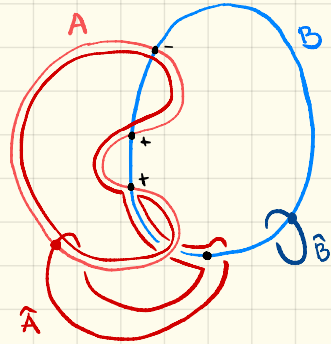
find some  $\hat{A}, \hat{B}$  sat. properties \*

can change  $A, B$  in the process. [but only up to isotopy!]

Problem. Given  $\hat{A}$  must intersect  $B$  (symmetric:  $\hat{B}$  can inter.  $A$ )



tube  
→



1) Tube  $\hat{A}$  into  $A$  to make  $\lambda(\hat{A}, B) = 0$

since:

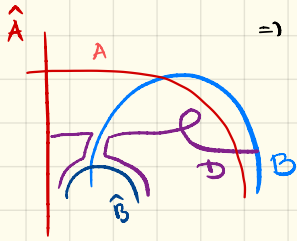
$$\lambda(A, B) = 1$$

can pick one pt +, ← tube into that one.  
all others cancelling pairs.

2) Now can pair inter. of  $\hat{A}$  and  $B$  and find Whitney disc  $D$   
want: remove inter. of  $D$  with  $A$  and  $B$ .

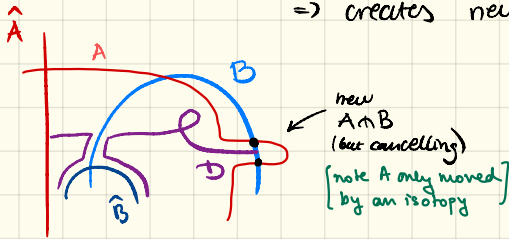
- remove inter. with B by tubing D into  $\hat{B}$ .

$\Rightarrow$  no inter with B but maybe new A inter.



- remove inter. with A by finger moves towards B

$\Rightarrow$  creates new cancelling A & B intersections.



b) Do a framed immersed Whitney move of  $\hat{A}$  over D

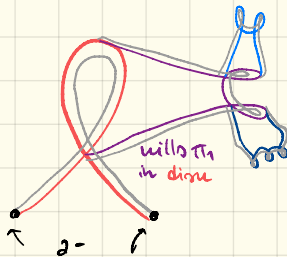
$\Rightarrow$  resulting  $\hat{A}$  does not intersect B.

$\Rightarrow$  We have extra inter. points of A and B paired by framed immersed Whitney disks  $\Delta$  s.t.

$$\Delta \cap A = \Delta \cap B = \emptyset.$$

Now want  $\Delta$  embedded!

Brilliant idea of Cannon



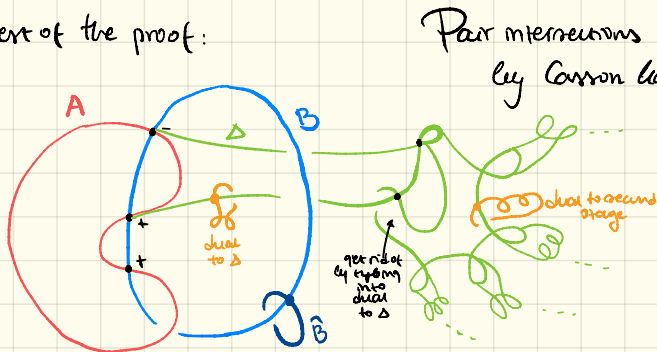
Cannon tower of height 3.

Carron handle is a "Carron tower of infinite height" (4-dim!)

- it is simply-connected
- $\partial^- CH = \text{solid torus}$ .

Freedman:  $(CH, \partial^- CH)$  is homeomorphic to  $(D^2 \times D^2, S^1 \times D^2)$ .  
1982.

the rest of the proof:



By Freedman:  $\exists$  topologically embedded Whitney disks.

Poincaré Conjecture: Any homotopy 4-mfld is homeomorphic to  $S^4$ . □

proof. Let  $\Sigma$  be a smooth htry  $S^4$ .

Wall  $\implies \Sigma$  and  $S^4$  are smoothly h-cobordant.

$\xrightarrow{\text{h-cob.}} \Sigma$  and  $S^4$  are homeomorphic.

If  $\Sigma$  is a topological htry  $S^4$  (top. 4-mfld with htry  $= \text{top } S^4$ )  
then build a "proper" h-cobordism between  $\Sigma$ -pt and  $S^4$ -pt.



(proper  $h$ -cob:  $\partial^+ W \leftarrow W$  are proper ltrpy equiv.)

Or: alternatively use Quinn: 5-mflds have topol. handlebody structure.

$\Rightarrow$  category-preserving  $h$ -cobordism theorem.

(i.e. top.  $h$ -cob  $\rightarrow$  homeo<sup>c</sup> to product)

no can build  $h$ -cobordism from  $\Sigma$  to  $S^4$  using surgery theory.

Note: Freedman implies surgery theory works in dim 4 topologically.  $\square$

Other consequences: normal bundles  
transverse intersections  
connect-sum of top. 4-manifolds.

§ Exotic  $\mathbb{R}^4$

$\mathbb{R}^n$  has a unique smooth structure  $n \neq 4$ .  
and has uncountably many smooth structures if  $n=4$ .

Defn. A smooth mfd  $R$  is said to be an exotic  $\mathbb{R}^4$   
if  $R \approx \mathbb{R}^4$  but not  $R \cong \mathbb{R}^4$ .  
homeo diff

Defn. A knot  $K \subset S^3$  is topologically slice if it bounds  
a flat disk

$$\Delta \cong \mathbb{B}^4$$

i.e.  $\forall p \in \Delta \quad (V_{p < 0}, V_{p < 0}) \approx (\mathbb{D}^4, \mathbb{D}^2)$

FACT:  $\exists$   $\infty$  many knots which are smoothly but not top. slice.

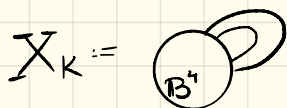
Example: any Atiyah polyn. 1 knot is top. slice.

Wh. d (LHT) =  top. but not sm. slice.

## § Construction of an exotic $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

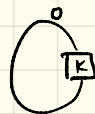
Let  $K$  be a knot that is top. slice, but not sm. slice.

Let



← 2-handle  
attached  
along  $K$   
with 0-fr.

Kirby diagram



Fact:

$$X_K \xrightarrow[\text{flat}]{\text{sm.}} \mathbb{R}^4_{\text{std}} \iff K \text{ is sm. top. slice.}$$

$$K \text{ is top. slice} \implies X_K \xrightarrow{\text{flat}} \mathbb{R}^4$$

We construct a sm. str. on  $\mathbb{R}^4$  as follows:

$\mathbb{R}^4 \setminus \text{int}(X_K)$  is connected non-compact mfd.

$\xrightarrow{\text{Quinn}}$  it has a smooth structure.

We know  $X_K$  has its own smooth structure.

$\partial X_K$  and  $\partial(\mathbb{R}^4 \setminus \text{int}(X_K))$  are homeomorphic

Want to glue them together using a diffeomorphism.

need Theorem of Bing-Norse: Any homeo of a 3-mfd is isotopic to a diffeo.

$\implies$  get a smooth str. on  $\mathbb{R}^4$ , call this  $\mathcal{R}$ .

Note: by construction  $X_K \xrightarrow{\text{sm.}} \mathcal{R}$ , so  $\mathcal{R} \neq \mathbb{R}^4_{\text{std}}$  since  $K$  is not sm. slice.

