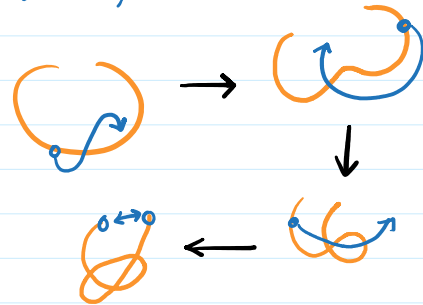
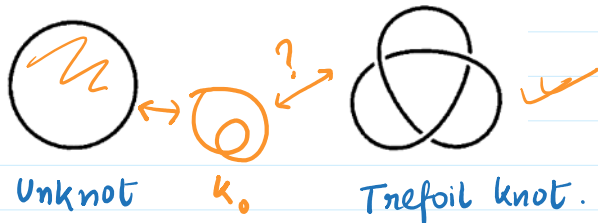


KNOT → loop of string.

(Take a string, tie a knot and glue the ends)

(Assumptions) String has no thickness, i.e., cross section is a single point.



How do we know these are different?

Different, in sense that given one knot we cannot twist & turn the knot to transform it into the other one, i.e. without using scissors and glue. (called equivalent).

Very hard. (Haken, 1961)

Proved it is an NP problem



(Unknot Theorem) It is decidable whether a given knot, is equivalent to the unknot.

HISTORY (TKB-A

Much of the early interest in knot theory was motivated by chemistry. In the 1880s, it was believed that a substance called ether pervaded all of space. In an attempt to explain the different types of matter, Lord Kelvin (William Thomson, 1824-1907) hypothesized that atoms were merely knots in the fabric of this ether. Different knots would then correspond to different elements (Figure 1.7).

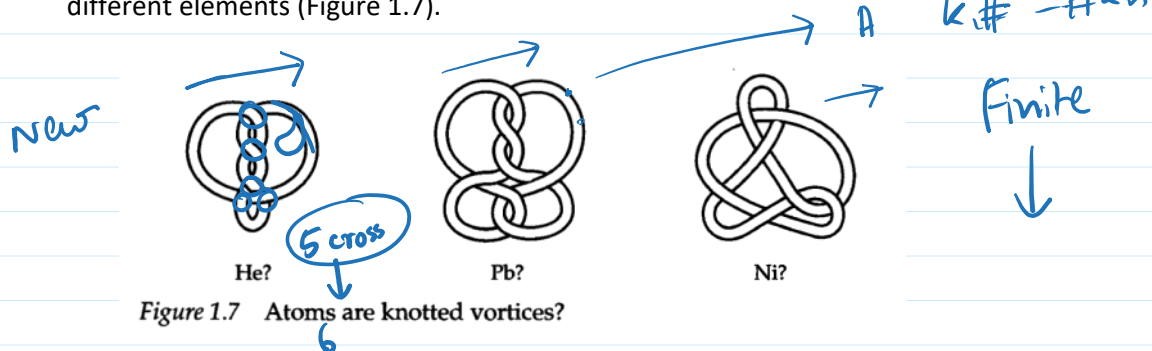


Figure 1.7 Atoms are knotted vortices?

This convinced the Scottish physicist Peter Guthrie Tait (1831-1901) that if he could list all of the possible knots, he would be creating a table of the elements. He spent many years tabulating knots. At the same time, an American mathematician named C. N. Little was working on his own tabulations for knots.

Well, he was wrong.

Michelson-Morley experiment demonstrated there was no ether. $\Rightarrow$ losing life's work + interest in knots.



BIOCHEMISTS discovered knotting in DNA
+ Properties of knotted molecules depend on
the type of knots.



(For More details, read Chapter 7 of TKB-A).

Back to Mathematics,

KNOT THEORY is a subbranch of Topology.

We need it!

Topology (from the Greek words τόπος, 'place, location', and λόγος, 'study') is the branch of mathematics concerned with the properties of a geometric object that are preserved under continuous deformations, such as stretching, twisting, crumpling, and bending; that is, without closing holes, opening holes, tearing, gluing, or passing through itself.

From <<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Topology>>

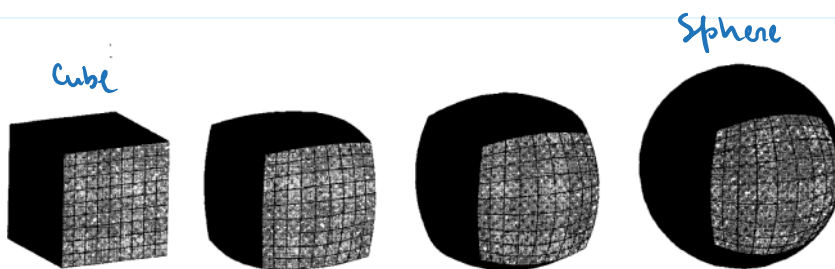
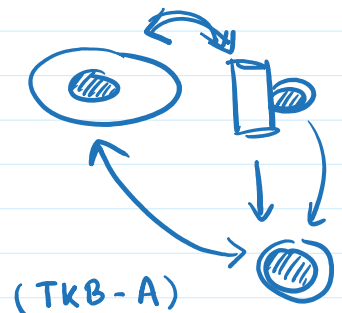


Figure 1.8 A cube and a sphere are the same in topology.



By homeomorphism,

In mathematics and more specifically in topology, a **homeomorphism** (from Greek roots meaning "similar shape", named by Henri Poincaré),^{[2][3]} also called **topological isomorphism**, or **bicontinuous function**, is a bijjective and continuous function between topological spaces that has a continuous inverse function. Homeomorphisms are the isomorphisms in the category of topological spaces—that is, they are the mappings that preserve all the topological properties of a given space. Two spaces with a homeomorphism between them are called **homeomorphic**, and from a topological viewpoint they are the same.

From <<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Homeomorphism>>

Mathematically,

A homeomorphism is a bijective $f: X \rightarrow Y$ from topological spaces $X \rightarrow Y$ such that:

- 1) f is continuous.





spaces $X \rightarrow Y$ such that :

i) f is continuous.

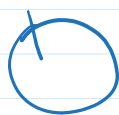
ii) $\exists$ a continuous inverse $g: f(X) \rightarrow X$ s.t. $g \circ f = f \circ g = \text{Id}$.

$\therefore$ Representing knots as embedding $\rightarrow$

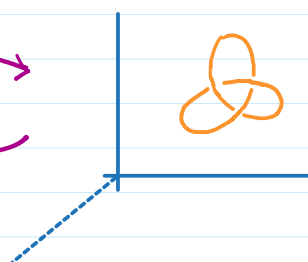
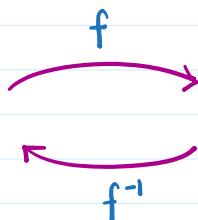
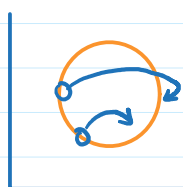
$\hookrightarrow$ homeomorphism of a set on its image.

A knot is an embedding of S^1 on $\mathbb{R}^3$.

S^1 : circle.



$K_1 \leftrightarrow K_2$



Returning back to our

Main Q: How do we differentiate b/w 2 knots?

To know that, first we have to define when 2 knots are equivalent

Defn: Two knots K_1, K_2 are similar if $\exists$ a continuous mapping $h: \mathbb{R}^3 \times [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, s.t. $\forall t \in [0,1]$, the maps $h_t: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined by $h_t(x) = h(x,t)$ are homeomorphisms and $h_0 = \text{Id}$, $h_1(K_1) = K_2$.

$\Rightarrow$ Ambient Isotopy.

Planar Isotopy:

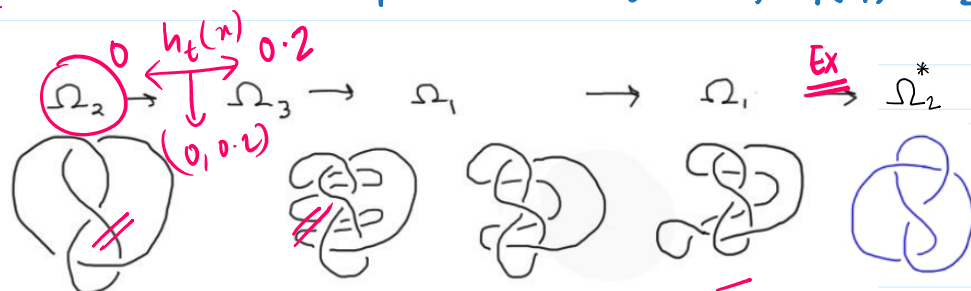


Figure-8-knot.

$t=0$

$t=k \in [0,1]$

Try to think yourself.

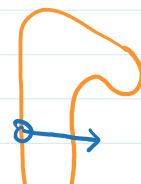
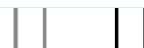
$t=1$

Back to Practical Sense $\rightarrow$

The theorem is mathematically precise. But it's hard to understand and somehow the feel behind this whole equivalency is lost behind the terminologies.

Same happened for Kurt Reidemeister.

He formulated moves (operations) on knots.





Theorem)

Composition of Knots. (#)

TKA-

Given 2 knots K_1, K_2 ; we can construct a new knot $K_1 \# K_2$ by removing arcs from the 2 knots and joining them together.

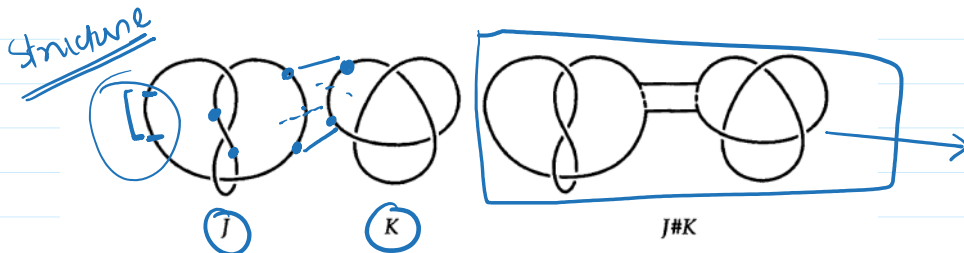
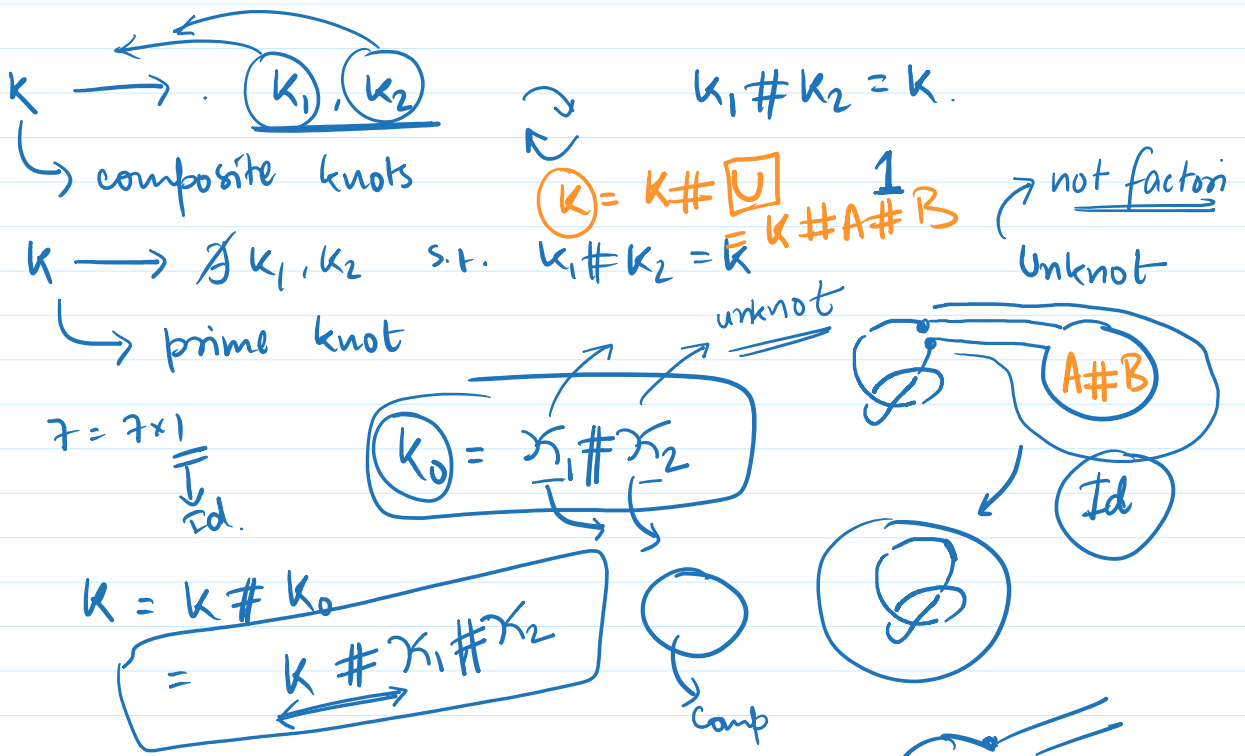
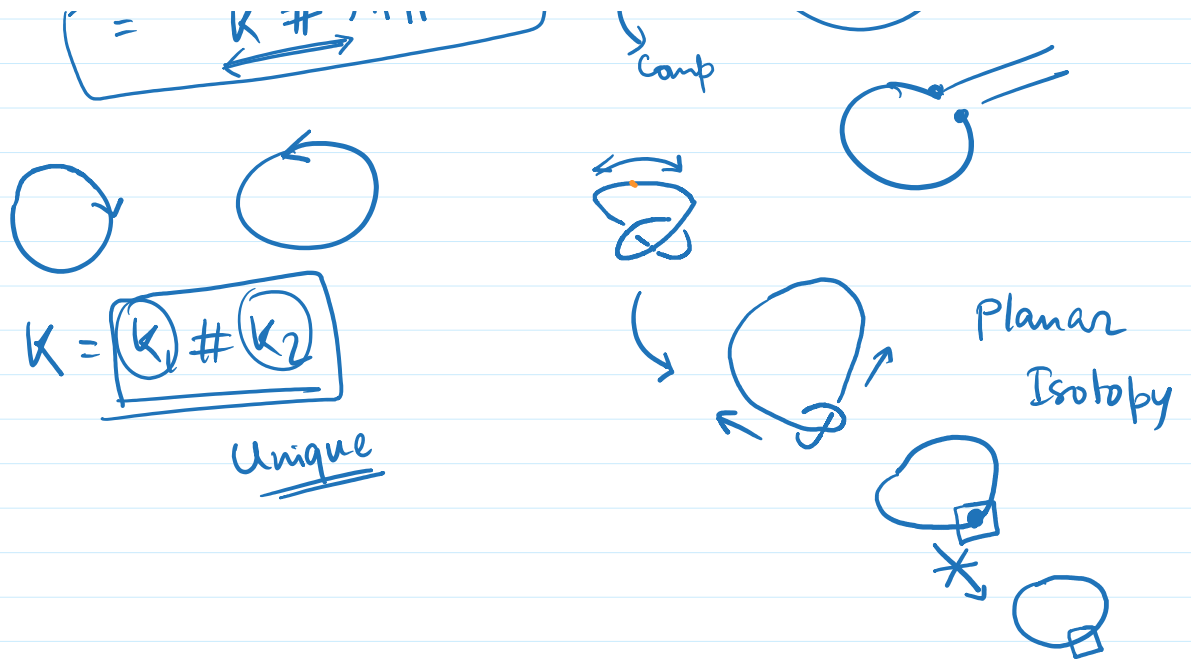


Figure 1.10 The composition $J\#K$ of two knots J and K .

The only condition here, is to choose the arcs which are outside, hence do not have crossings. (sneaky little...)





Terminologies $\rightarrow$ Composite, Factor knots, Id = Trivial knot, Prime knots

Observation: Unknot is not composite.
Otherwise, every knot is composite

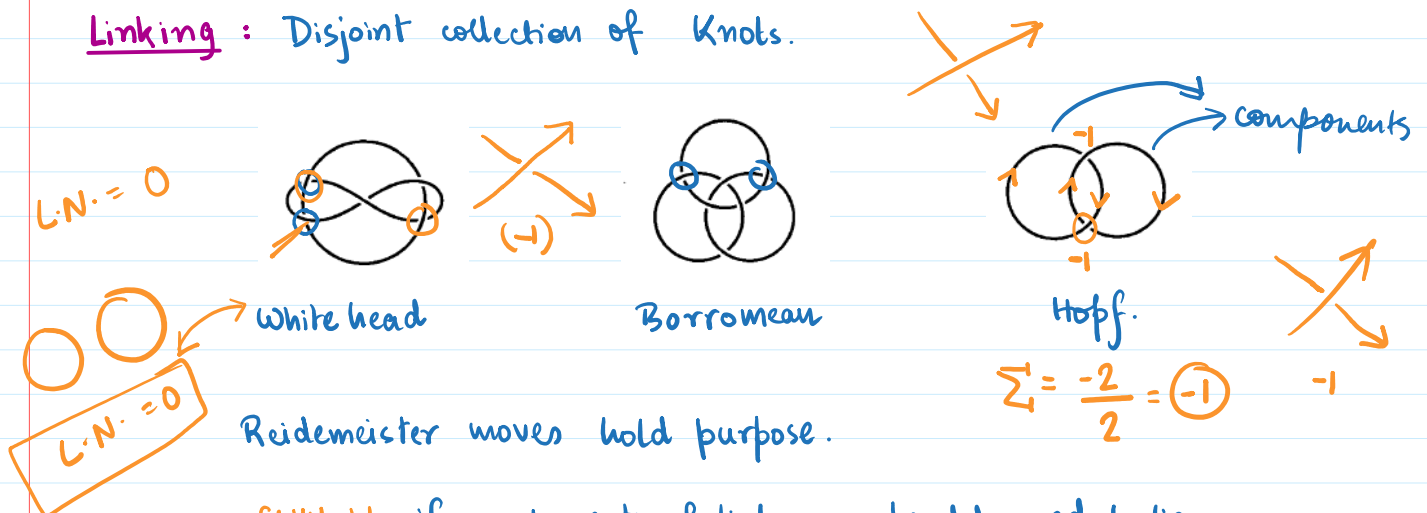
Unique Prime Factorisation, Orientation.
(Read the composite section from TKB-A).

Are Reidemeister moves sufficient?

Like we still cannot say if 2 knots are equivalent, what if finite means following a specific order till 10^{723} ?

We will be needing a quantity which doesn't change under the Reidemeister moves, in other words, an **invariant**.

Linking: Disjoint collection of Knots.



$\rightarrow$ Splitable if components of links can be deformed to lie on different sides of a plane.

Consider the quantity of **Linking numbers**.

different sides of a plane.

Consider the quantity of **linking numbers**,
defined as $\rightarrow$

- Take a link with components P, Q .
- Start by orienting them.
- Compute a $+1$ for case 1 and -1 for case 2 shown

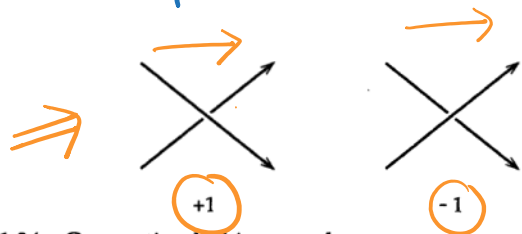


Figure 1.34 Computing linking number.

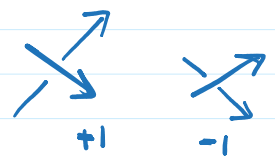
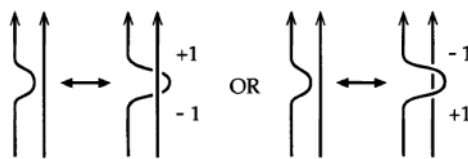
$\curvearrowright$ Rotations allowed

- Add everything and divide by 2.
(Take absolute value if reqd.)

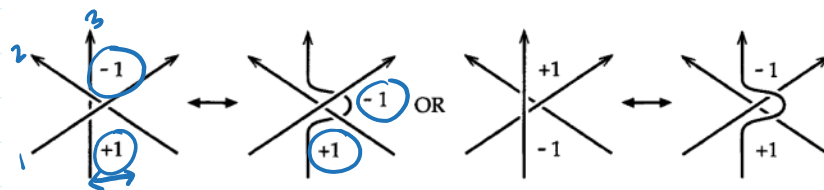
Claim: L.N. doesn't change under Reidemeister moves.

Pf: Under type I, we twist or untwist a self loop, thus only a single component is involved $\Rightarrow$ No change in L.N.

Under type II,



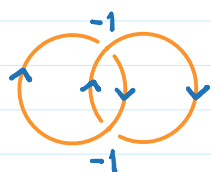
and type III,



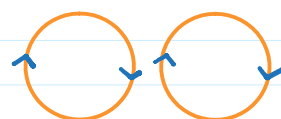
LN
is an
invariant
under R. Moves.

the L.N. remains constant. $\square$

Eg: Trying to compare the Hopf link and Unlink,



$$L.N. = (-1-1)/2 = -1$$



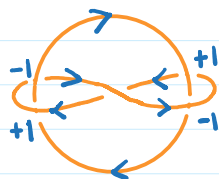
$$L.N. = 0$$

$\rightarrow$ Splittable

Since LN are different, we say Hopf link and Unlink are not equivalent at all.

Can we consider L.N. as our invariant?

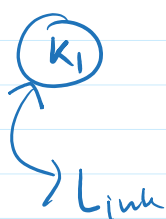
Sadly, NO!



$$L.N. = \frac{(-1 - 1 + 1 + 1)}{2} = 0$$

which is same as the unlink. ($\Rightarrow \Leftarrow$).

Hence we still need an invariant,
as we never found one!



T

K_2

Chromatic

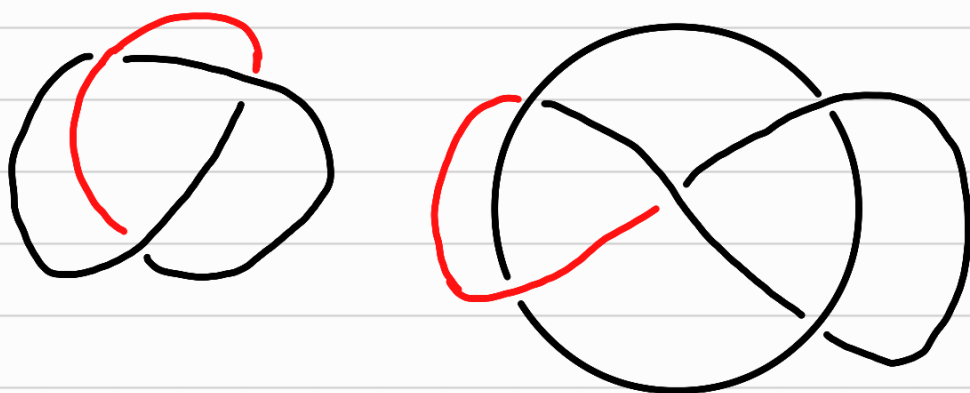


1) Tricolourability

Knot Theory (Lecture-2)

Colorings (Ralph Fox)

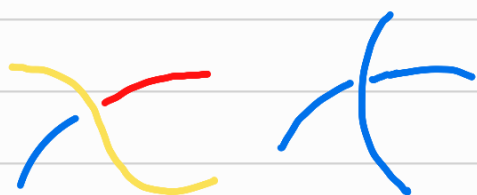
★ Strand: A piece of link that goes from one undercrossing to another **with only** overcrossings in between.



Examples of a strand

Tricolorable: A "knot diagram" is called tricolorable if each strand can be drawn using three colors, say **R (Red)**, **Y (Yellow)**, **B (Blue)** or for practical sense colors denoted by $\{0, 1, 2\}$ (as we would eventually like to generalise to more than three colors). While also following the below mentioned conditions.

- 1) At least two of the colors are used.
- 2) At any crossing either only one color is used or all colors are used. (never 2)



Acceptable



Not acceptable

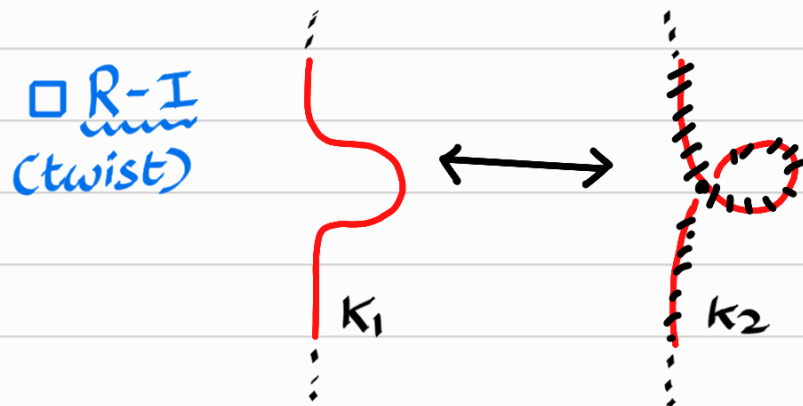
☆ Invariant: Property of a knot which can't be lost
(or gained is implied) with change in representation.
[knot diagrams]

Now some of our great observers must have realized where we are heading with all of this?

Yes!! Tricolorability is an invariant

→ Recall if two knot diagrams represent the same knot then $\exists$ a series of Reidemeister moves taking one knot diagram to another.

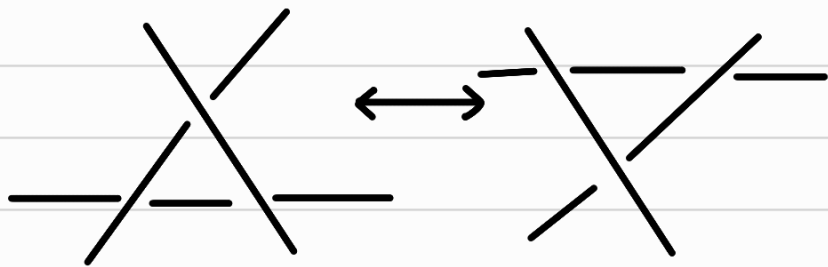
⇒ Enough to show Reidemeister moves preserve tricolorability (as again $\because$ Reidemeister moves always "work both ways", no creation is clearly implied)



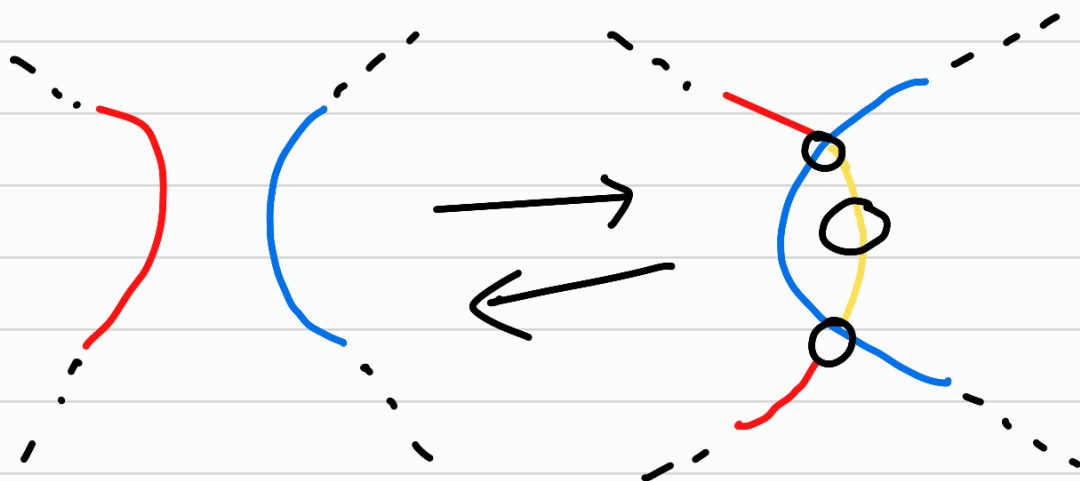
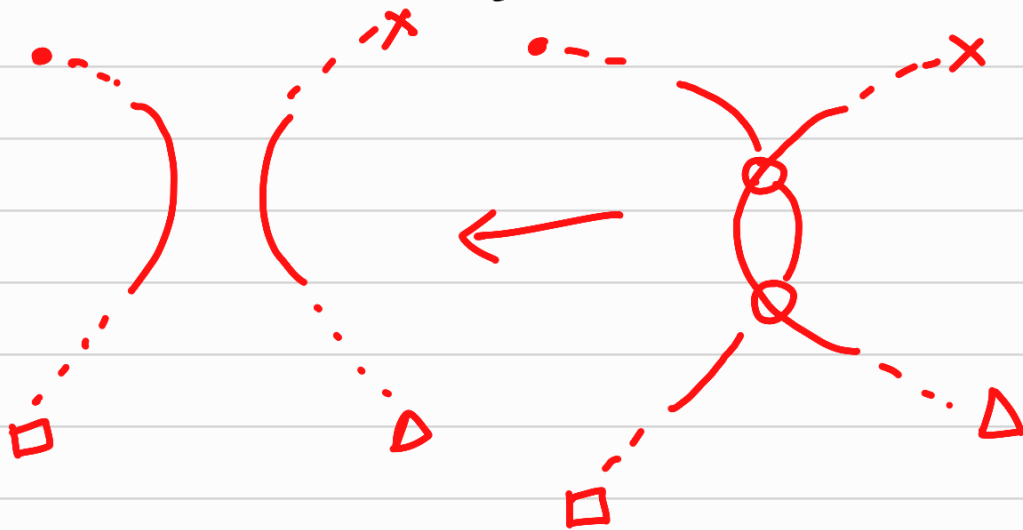
Say either one of K_1 or K_2 is colorable, then the parts shown above must be composed of one single color if in the other representation we color the corresponding parts with same colors and leave the rest of the colorings unchanged, then we can clearly observe that this is a valid coloring for the other diagram. Hence the other knot diagram will also stay colorable.

★ R-III (H.W., not very trivial.)

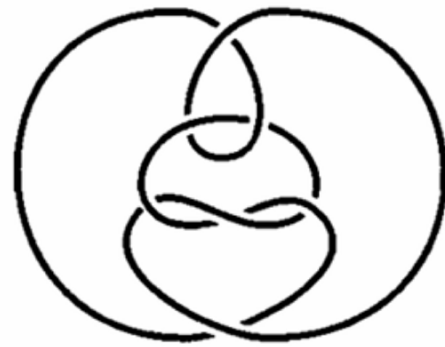
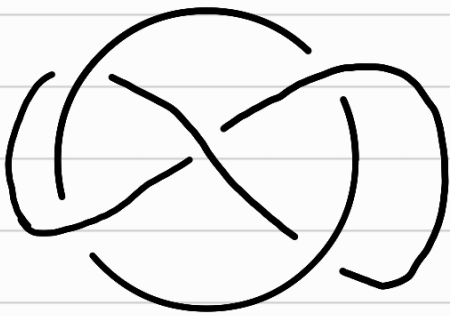
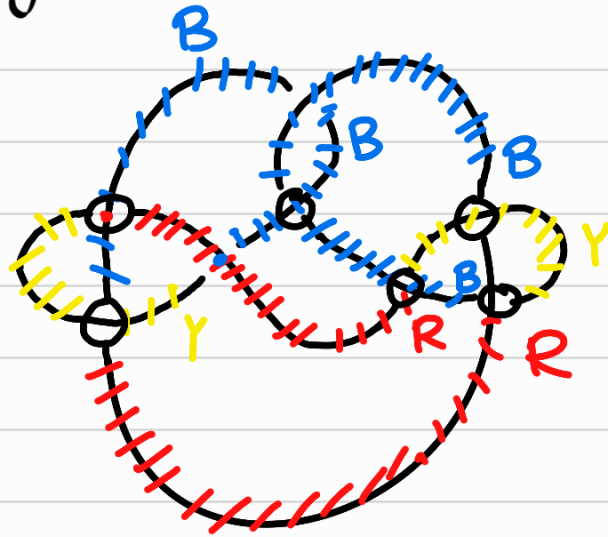
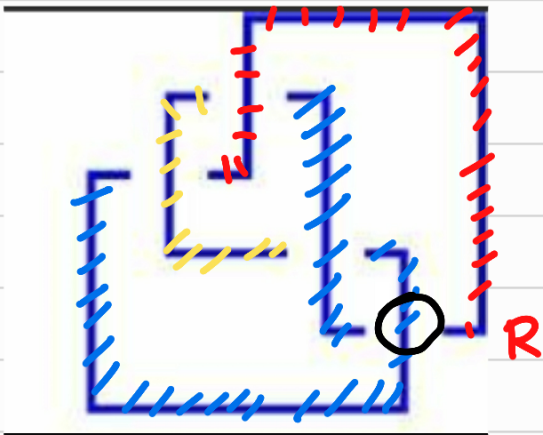
"Slide" Attendees are encouraged to share their attempts in the group)



□ R-II (In class discussion)
"poke"



Q. > Check for tricolorability



Mathematical way of restating condⁿ two:-

$$\begin{array}{l} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} z \quad x+y \equiv 2z \pmod{3} \\ \text{Proof: Clearly,} \\ x+y+z \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \\ \Rightarrow x+y+z \equiv 3z \pmod{3} \end{array}$$

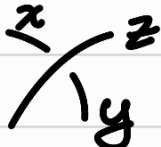
Now as fellow mathematicians, what is the one thing we all love to do? **GENERALIZE**

• What is so special about 3? **NOTHING MUCH REALLY**

P.T.O.

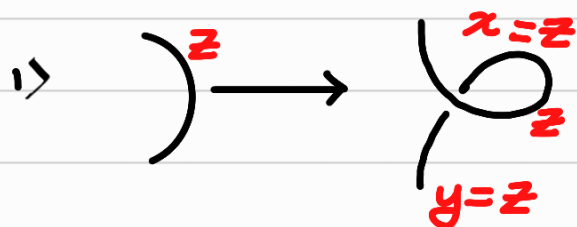
★ We say that a knot is **p-colorable** if:
 (prime $p \geq 3$) (Why prime? Why not 2?)

1) We use at least two labels from $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, p-1\}$

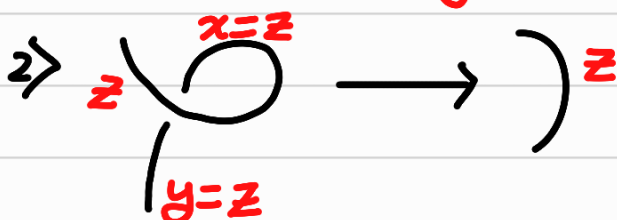
2) At each crossing  $x + y \equiv 2z \pmod{p}$

Again enough to show R. moves preserve p-colorability
 $\forall$ prime $p \geq 3$. (Basic congruence from NT required)

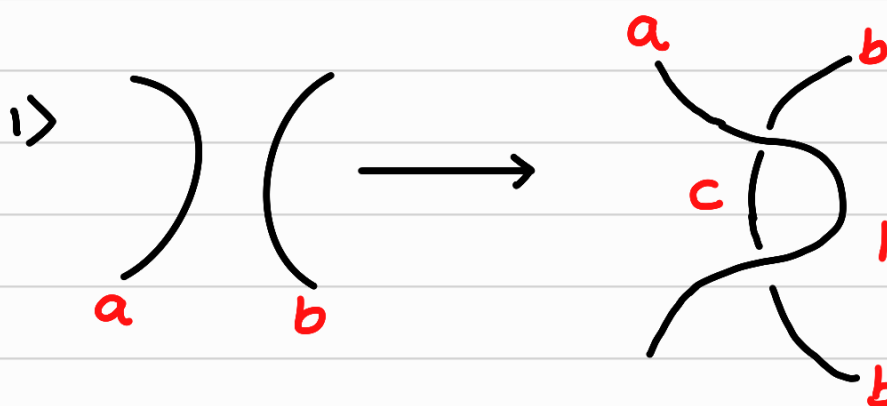
□ R-I



$$\begin{aligned} x + y &\equiv 2z \pmod{p} \\ y &\equiv z \pmod{p} \end{aligned}$$



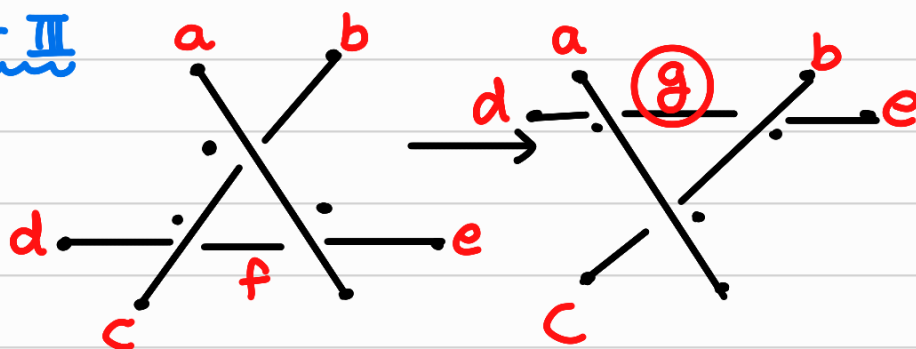
□ R-II



$b + c \equiv 2a \pmod{p}$
 has a solⁿ for c
 always

2) Works on default as shown before

□ R-III



① - $b + c \equiv 2a \pmod{p}$ To show:

② - $d + f \equiv 2c \pmod{p}$ $2a - d \equiv 2b - e \pmod{p}$

③ - $f + e \equiv 2a \pmod{p}$

① + ② - ③

$$\begin{array}{l} \underline{2a - d} \equiv \underline{2b - e} \pmod{p} \\ c - d \equiv b - e \pmod{p} \\ c - d + e - b \equiv 0 \pmod{p} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} b + c \\ + d + f \\ - f - e \\ \hline \Rightarrow b - c \equiv 0 \pmod{p} \\ + d - e \end{array}$$

Answering previous questions, there is no reason why we can't extend colorability to all composites ≥ 3 .

★ A special case for 2 is that no knot is 2-colourable, as $x + y \equiv 2z \pmod{2} \Rightarrow x \equiv y \pmod{2} \Rightarrow x \& y$ have the same color for all under-crossing pairs. By "moving around" the knot we would observe that all strands will be forcefully attached with the same color as our first choice thus violating condⁿ 1.

Why we are mostly interested in primes? Wait for now!

★ Figuring out if a knot is p -colorable manually is a lot of pain!

What are good ways to store information? maybe a matrix
blue crossings and arcs (strands) **Bingo!!**

Sticks



Unknot
(U.S.)

4 sticks / 5 sticks X.

6 sticks



trefoil knot
(6 sticks)

$s(k)$, $c(k)$

$$s(k) \leq 2c(k)$$

Tabulating knots

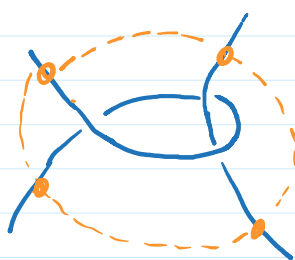
Dowker, Conway.

Planar Graphs.

Conway Notation

'Tangles'

Building blocks
for knot.



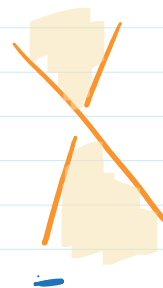
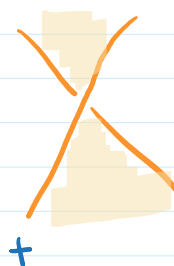
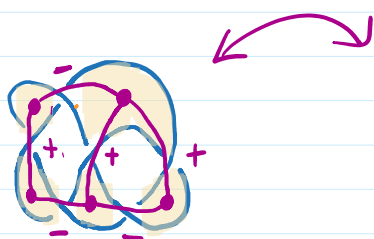
NW
SW
NE
SE

Equivalence $\rightarrow$ Reidemeister moves.

Knot Theory $\leftrightarrow$ Graph Theory.

Knot proj $\leftrightarrow$ Graph
+ Link.

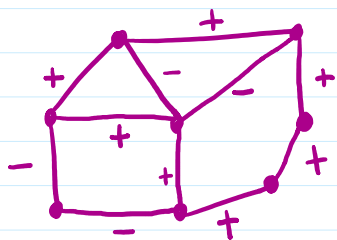
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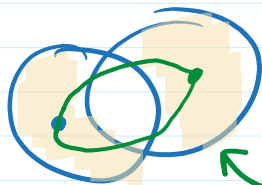
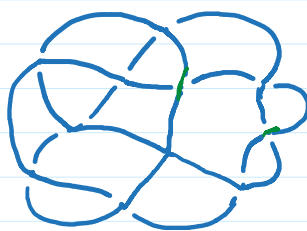
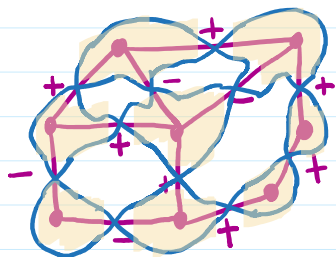
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1) Is every projection mapped to a unique?
YES

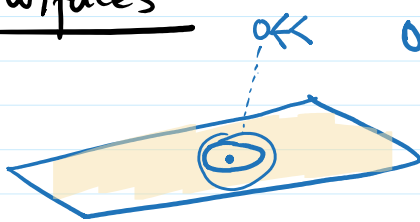
2) Taking a graph with random $+$, $-$,
YES
Can we say it corresponds to a knot proj?



Knots

Link
(Hopf).

Surfaces



Open Ball



Manifolds

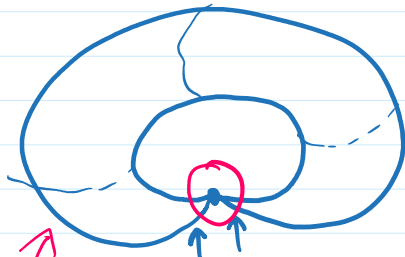
• open Ball - 2



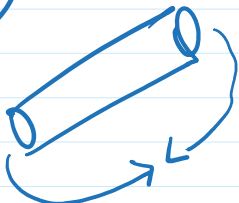
Isotopy



2-d planar



Surface

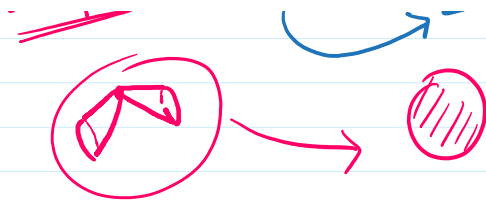


Surface



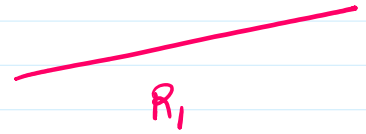
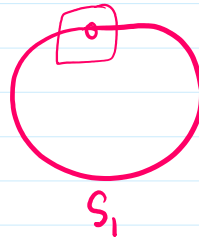
2-manifold

→ 2-Manifolds



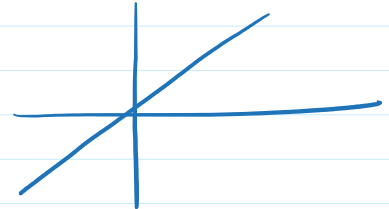
→ 2-Manifolds

1-Manifold ?



2 Manifold

3-Manifold



3d-space

3-manifold.

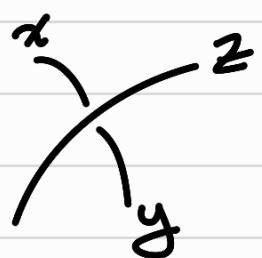
Isotopy $\leftrightarrow$ deformation

Surface

Not

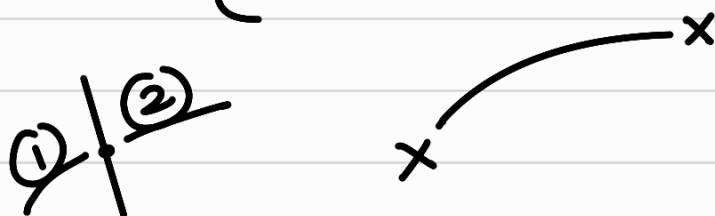
4- Chapter

Any knot diagram is given we want to check for p -colorability.

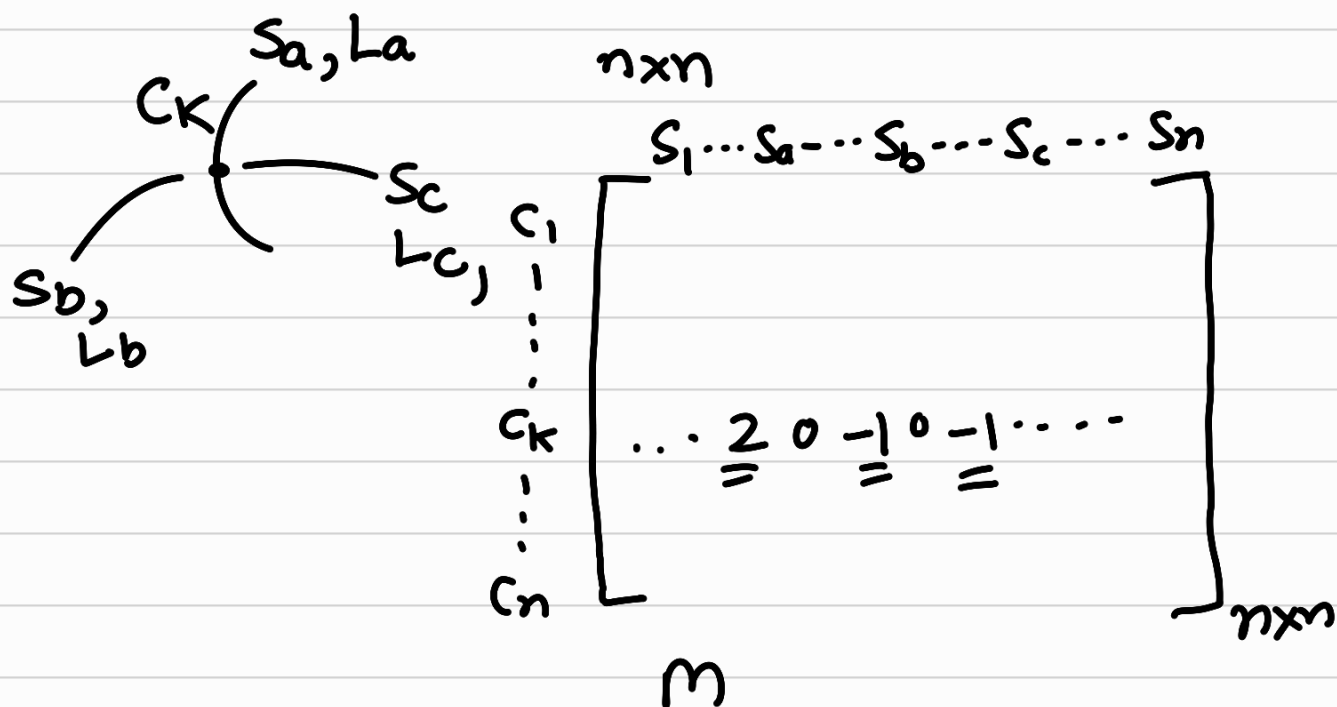


$$\underline{x + y \equiv 2z \pmod{p}}$$

A knot with n no. of strands which isn't trivial. $\Rightarrow$ No. of crossings in this knot. ($\det \neq 0$)



s_1	s_2	s_3	...	s_n
c_1	c_2	c_3	...	c_n



$$M = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & \dots & s_a & \dots & s_b & \dots & s_c & \dots & s_n \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \dots & \underline{2} & 0 & \underline{-1} & 0 & \underline{-1} & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

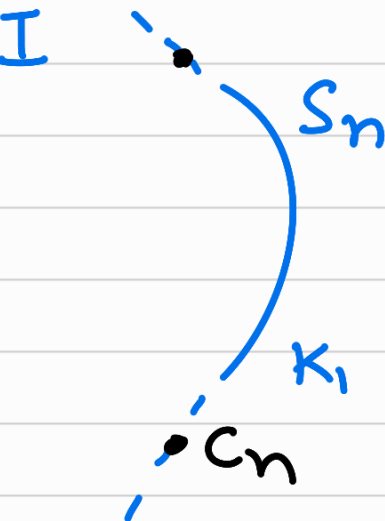
At C_k for it to be p -colorable $2L_a \equiv L_b + L_c \pmod{p}$

$$m \begin{bmatrix} L_1 \\ L_2 \\ L_3 \\ \vdots \\ L_n \end{bmatrix} = 2La - L_b - L_c \equiv 0 \text{ (p)} \rightarrow k^{\text{th}} \text{ entry}$$

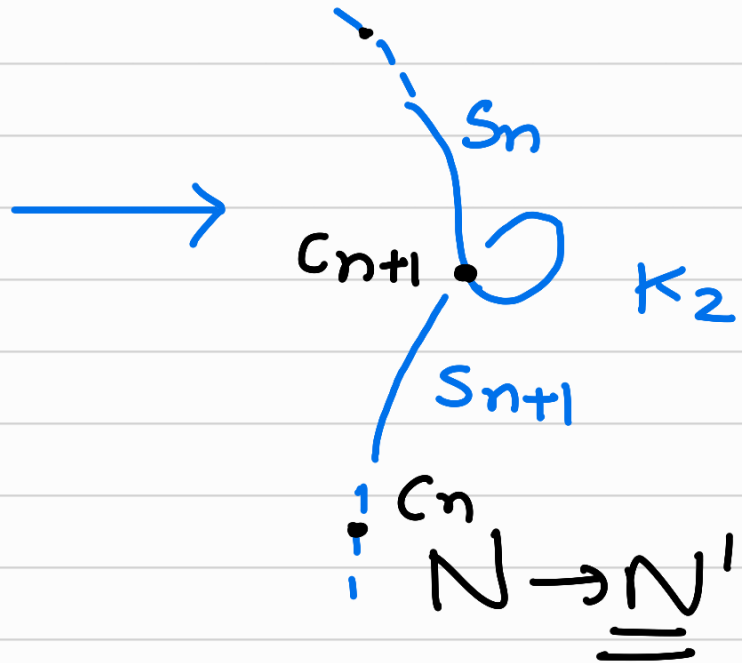
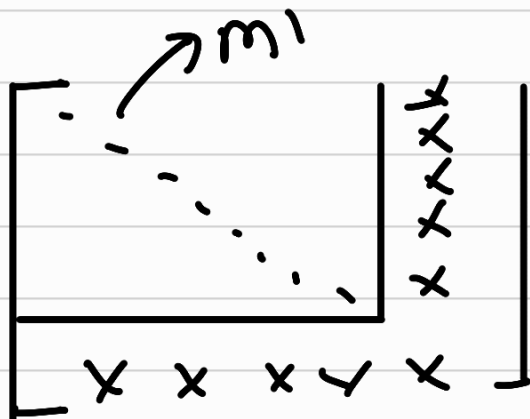
$$m \rightarrow (m'_{n-1 \times n-1}) = D$$

$$\frac{\det C(k)}{\downarrow} = |D|$$

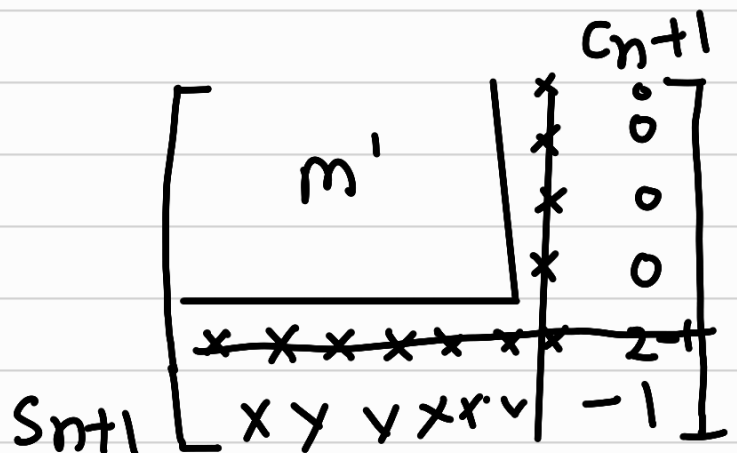
□ R-I



$$m \rightarrow m' \equiv m$$



$$N \rightarrow N' \equiv N$$



$$N' = \begin{bmatrix} m' & 0 \\ x \vee & -1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \delta(N') = -m'$$

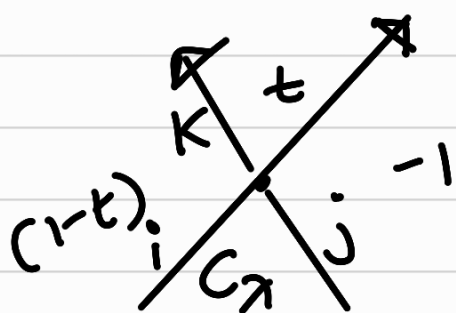
$$\det(K_1) = |m'|$$

$$\det(K_2) = |1 - m'| = \det(K_1)$$

□ R-III (H.W.), RII (H.W.)

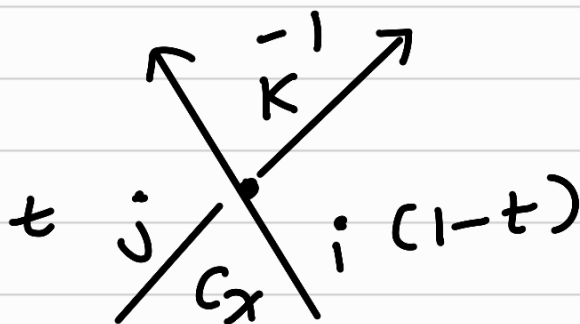
★ Thm. : A Knot diagram is p -colourable
iff $\delta(m') \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$

ALEXANDER POLYNOMIAL



(a)

Right Orientation
(R)
(R)



(b)

Left Orientation
(L)
(L)

$$C_X \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1-t & 0 & -1 & 0 & t & 0 & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

$\begin{matrix} i & j & K \end{matrix}$

$T \rightarrow T'$

$$C_X \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1-t & 0 & -1 & 0 & t & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

$\begin{matrix} i & j & K \end{matrix}$

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Reading work: Notations - Conway, Dowker
 Knot invariants - Bridge, Crossing Number.
 Surface & Knots.

Revision: Surfaces, Isotrophisms.

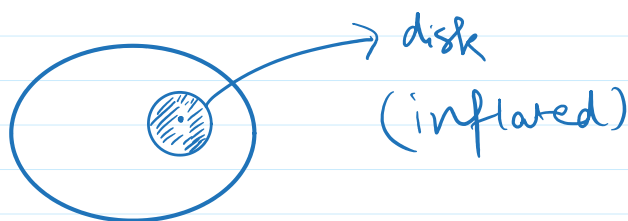
Lesson plans: Triangulations, Homeomorphisms, Genus,
 Embedding, Euler characteristic (invariant).
 Compact, Knot Complement.
 (Surfaces with boundary), Orientable.
 Genus & Seifert Surfaces.

Can intro next chapter.

Surfaces

2-manifolds.

1-manifolds



Isotopy - (deformation)

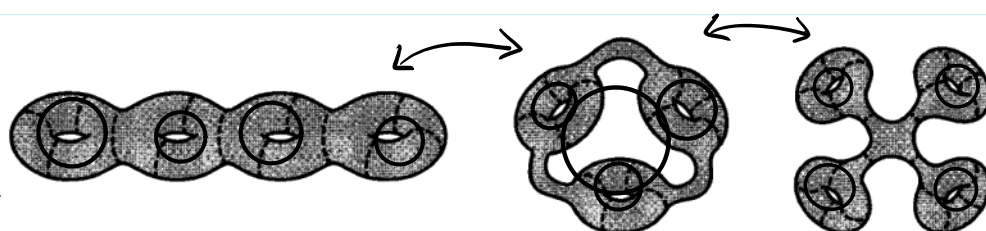
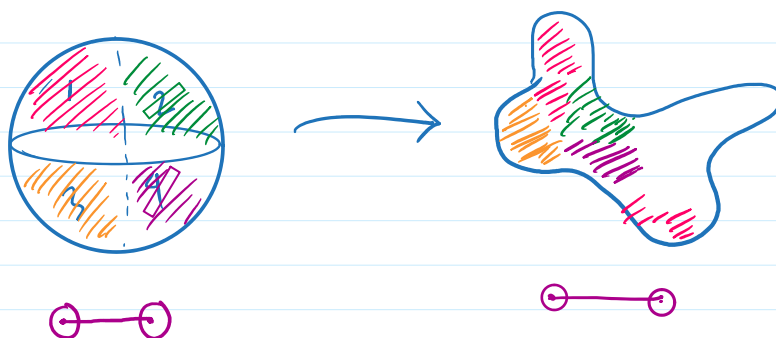


Figure 4.7 These three surfaces are all isotopic.

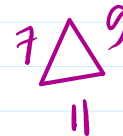
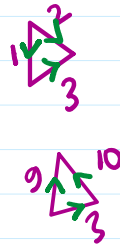
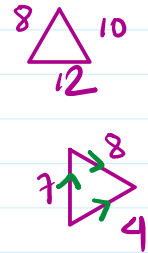
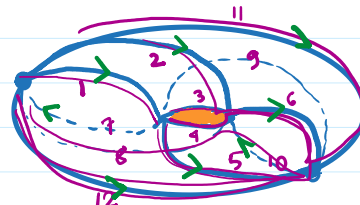
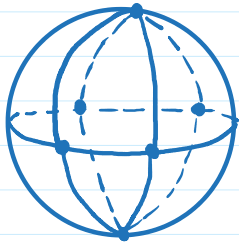
Figure 4.7 These three surfaces are all isotopic.

not isotopic



homeomorphism

Triangulation: Cutting up the surface into triangles.



We cut the surface S_1 acc. to the Δ s
Glue them back acc. to the orientations & labels
on the edges.

If we get another surface S_2 following all steps
then we say S_1 homeomorphic to S_2 .

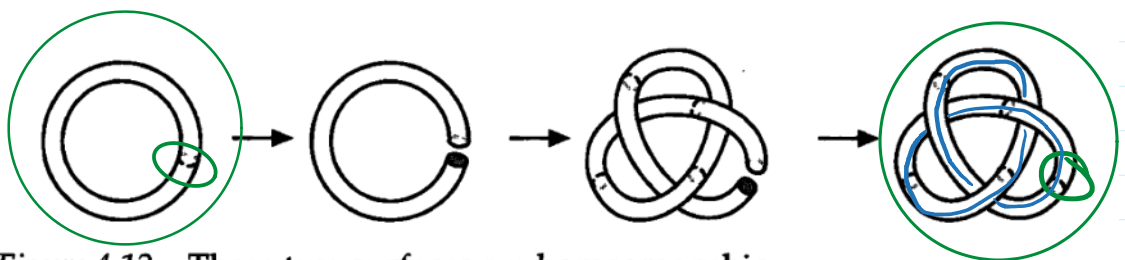
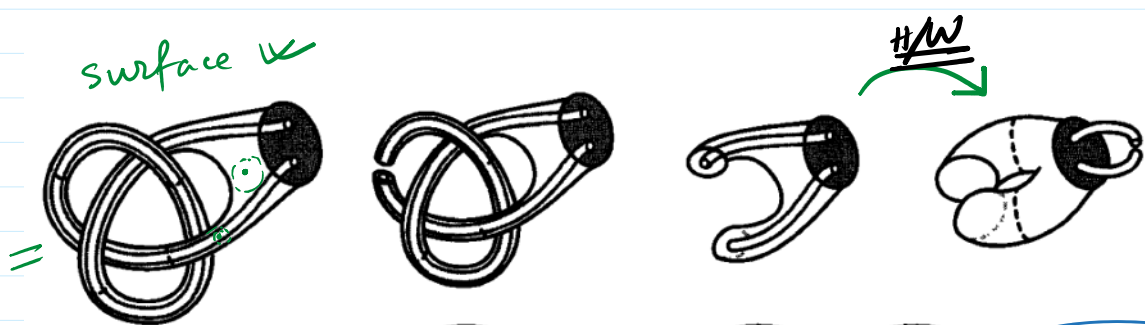
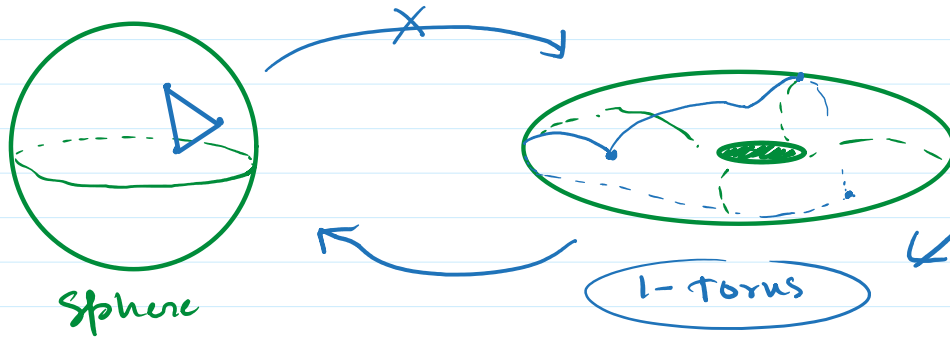
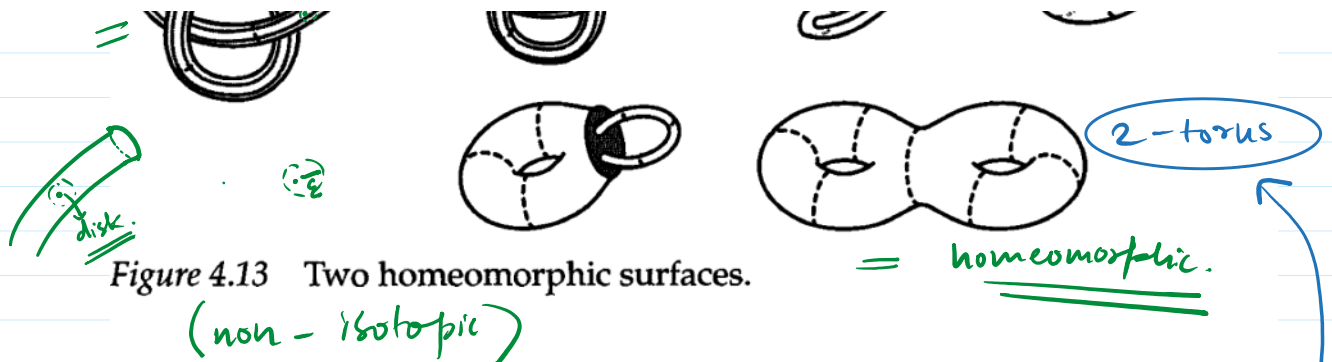


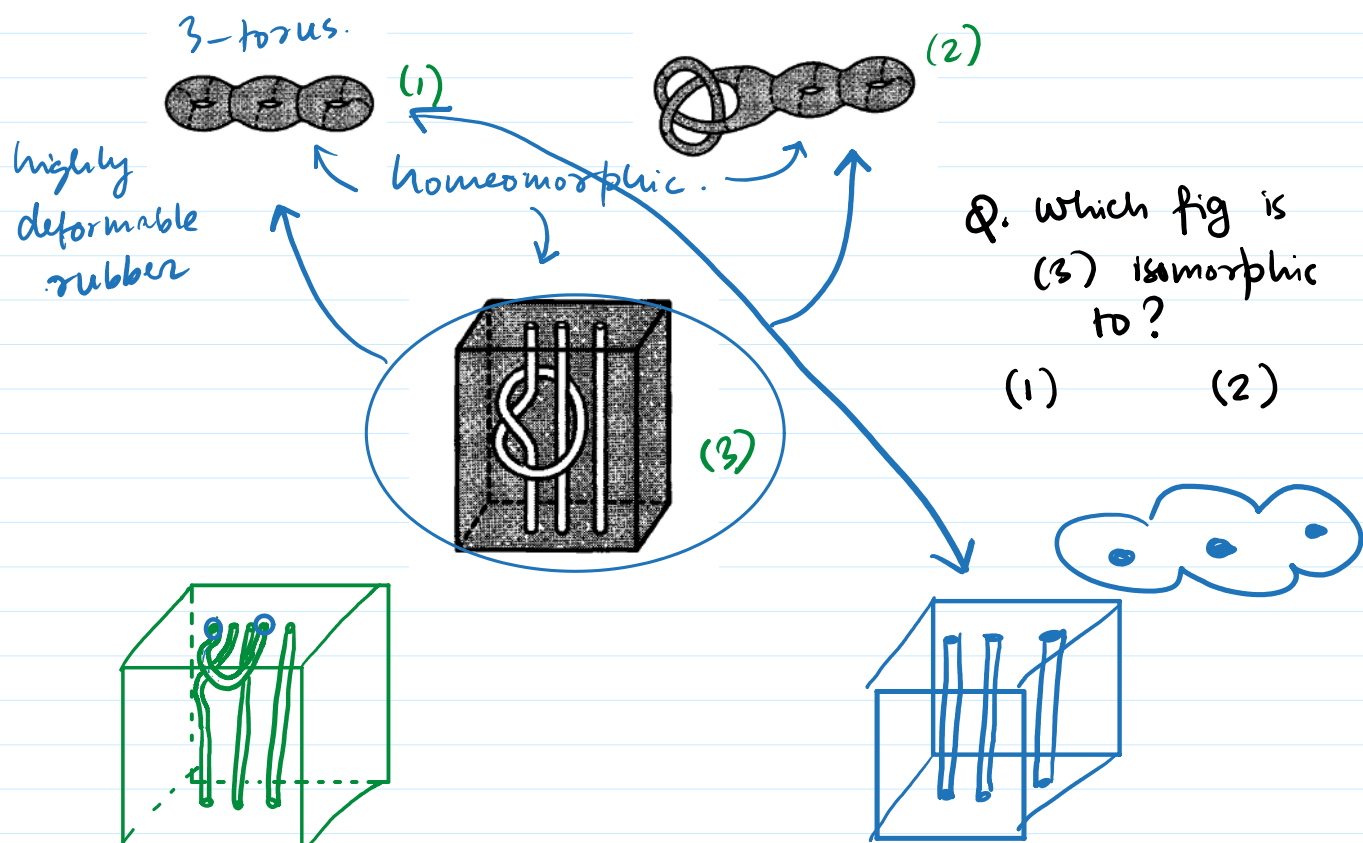
Figure 4.12 These two surfaces are homeomorphic.





n -torus not homeomorphic to m -torus
where $n \neq m$.

Genus: (generally) No. of holes in the surface.
 n torus is of Genus = n



Embedding in a space.

Q Given an embedding, can we say what type of surface it is?
"Homeomorphism type"?

Sphere

Torus

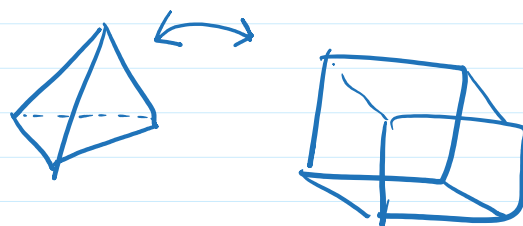
Invariant under homeomorphisms

Q

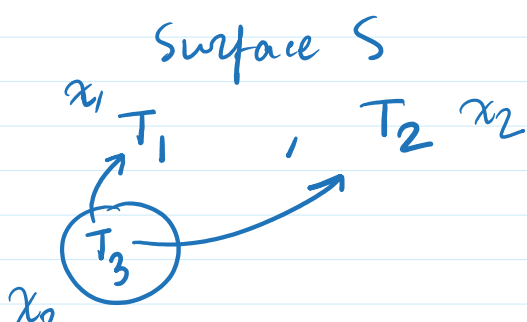
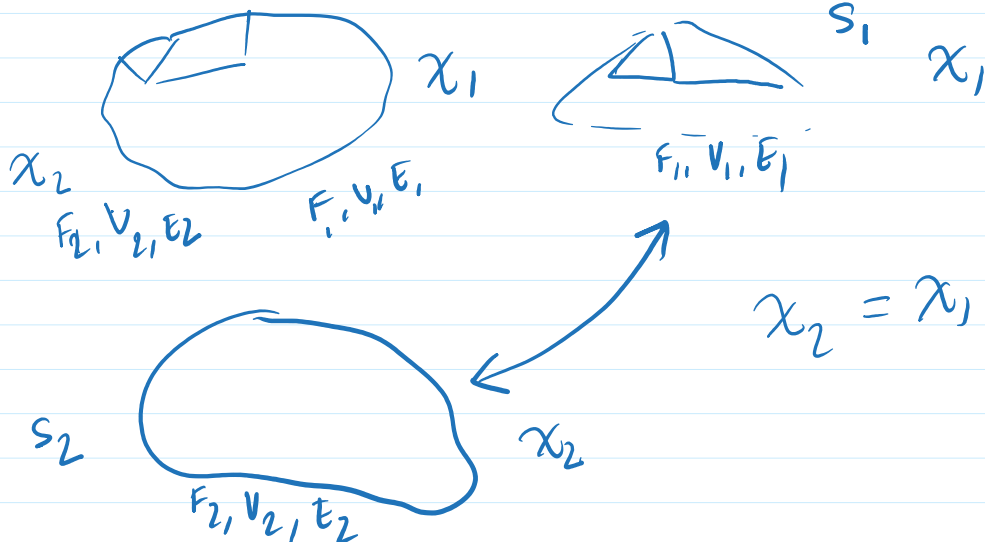
$$Q(S_0) = Q(\text{Sphere})$$

$$= Q(\text{Torus})$$

χ : $V - E + F$
 Euler characteristic



Proof:

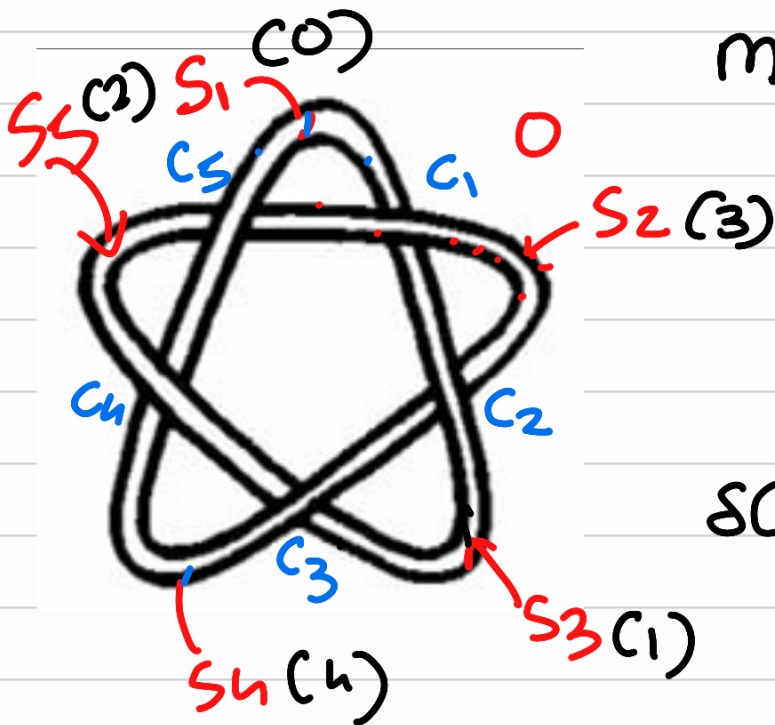


$$\begin{cases} \chi_1 = \chi_3 \\ \chi_2 = \chi_3 \end{cases} \rightarrow \chi_1 = \chi_2$$

☆ Theorem: For any two knot diagrams K_1 & K_2 with T_1' & T_2'

$$\text{The } \delta(T_1') = \pm t^k \delta(T_2')$$

where $k \in \mathbb{Z}$



$$m = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ \hline 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\delta(m) = \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -1 \times \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{vmatrix} - (-1) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 1 + 1 [2(3) + 1(-2)]$$

$$= 1 + 4 = \underline{\underline{5}}$$

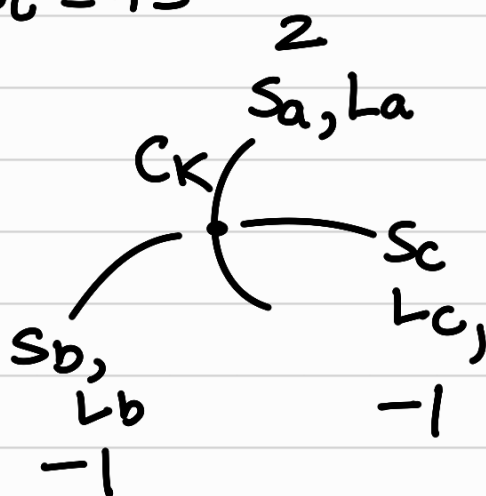
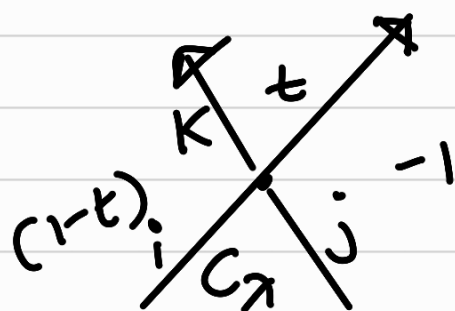
Q: Which of the following is not a possible δ ,

- a) 15 b) 97 c) ~~34~~ d) 121

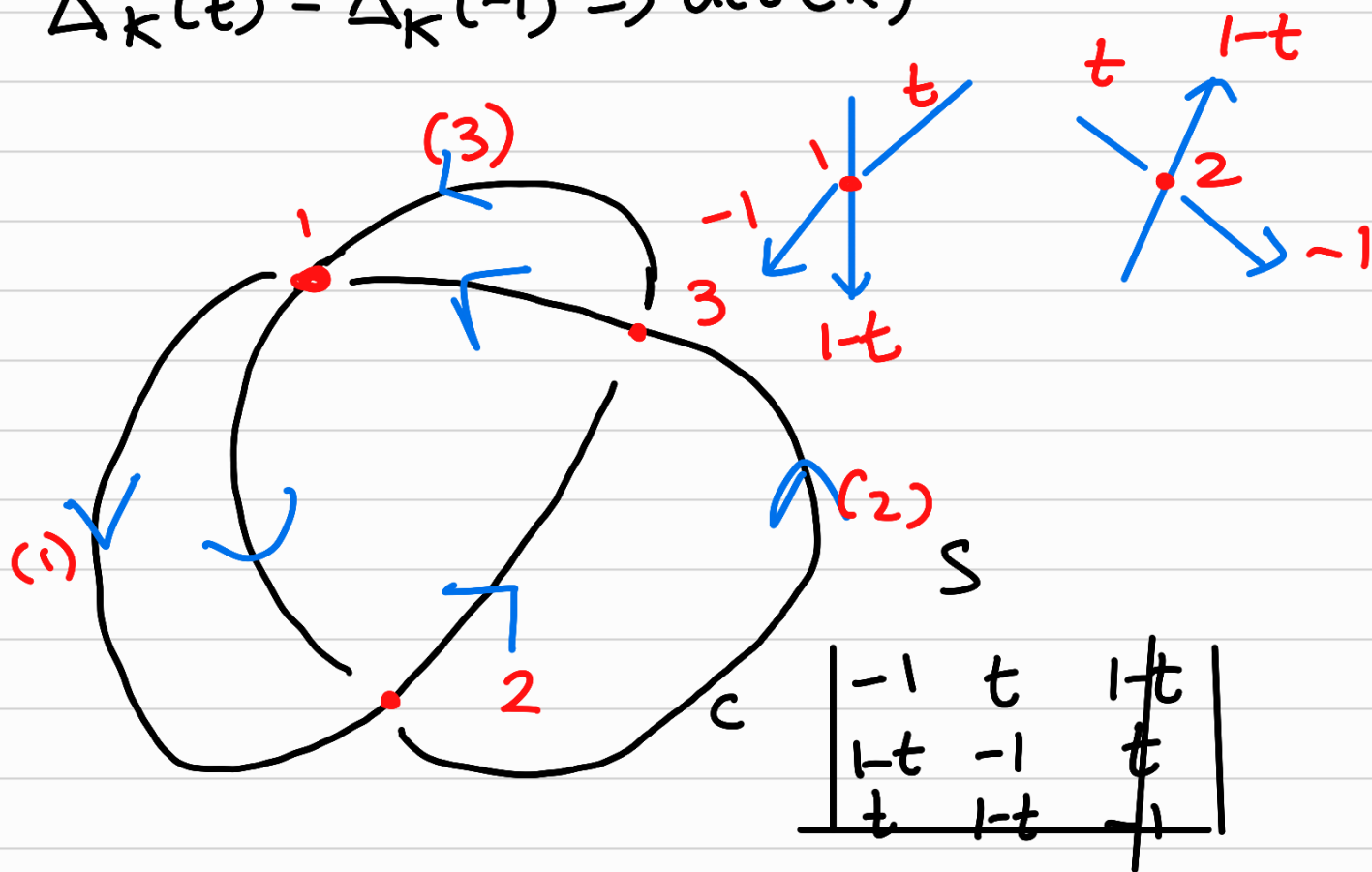
- Mod p-rank of a Knot: - It is basically the nullity of the $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ matrix.

$\uparrow$
Invariant (R-moves)

$$8_{18} \text{ \& } 9_{24} \Rightarrow \det = 45$$

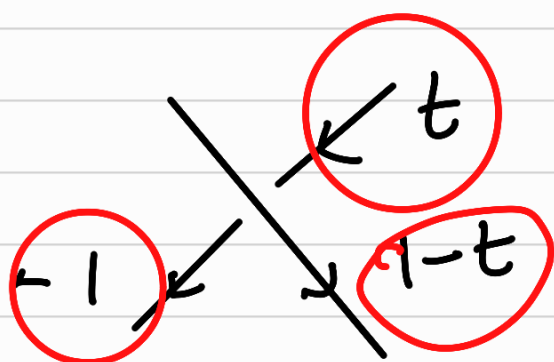
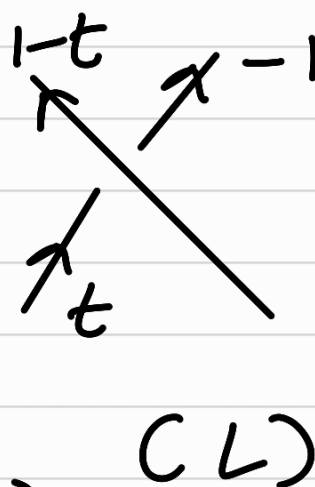
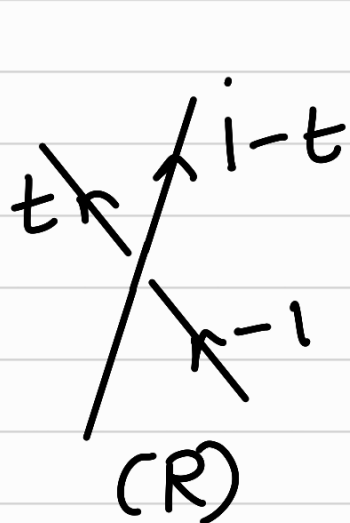
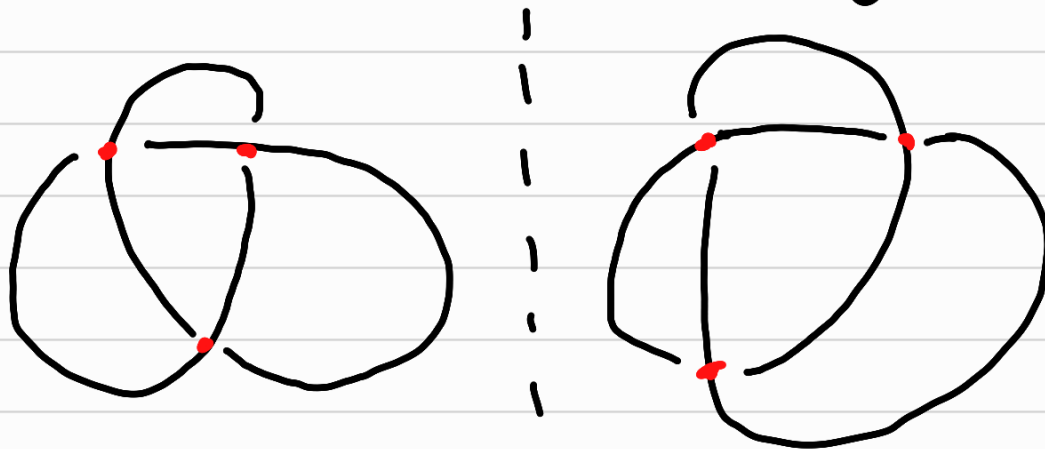


$$\Delta_K(t) = \Delta_K(-1) \Rightarrow \det(C_K)$$



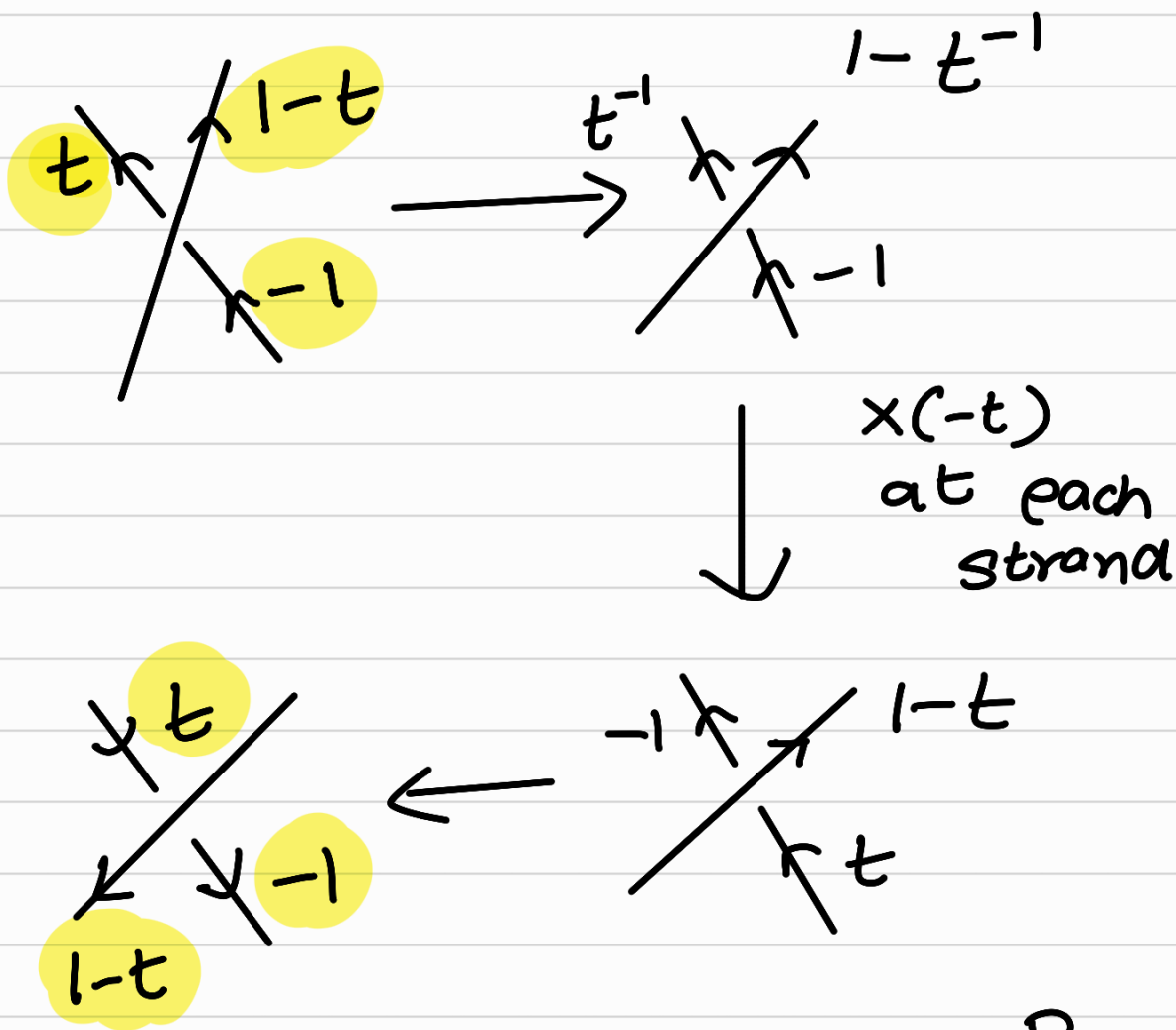
$$\Delta_{\text{Trefoil}}(t) = \frac{t^2 - t + 1}{1} = t \left(\underbrace{t - 1 + \frac{1}{t}} \right)$$

Drawback of alexander polynomial :



$$\Rightarrow \Delta_K(t) = \Delta_{\bar{K}}(t)$$

• Propⁿ: $\Delta_K(t) = \Delta_K(t^{-1})$



$$\Delta_K(t) = \pm t^K \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{A symmetric} \\ \text{poly. blw } t \\ \text{and } 1/t \end{array} \right) \quad \text{P}$$

basirally coeff. of $t^n = \text{coeff. of } t^{-n}$.
(in P)

G.T. Revision

* Group:- Closed, identity, associative, inverse

* Subgroup:- $H \subseteq G$
and H is a gp.
 $H \leq G$

* Group Homomorphism:-

$$f(a \cdot b) = f(a) \cdot f(b)$$

* Iso. * Auto.

* Homomorphism (kernel)

* Normal subgroup

$$H \leq G$$

$$(gHg^{-1} = H) \forall g \in G$$

$$\Rightarrow H \trianglelefteq G$$

$$* K = \ker(\varphi)$$

$$K \trianglelefteq G \quad (\varphi)$$

$$K' = \{ \underline{gkg^{-1}} \mid k \in K \}$$

$$\varphi: G \rightarrow \tilde{G}$$

$$K := \ker_{\varphi}(G)$$

$$gkg^{-1} \in K$$

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(gkg^{-1}) &= \varphi(g) \varphi(k) \varphi(g^{-1}) \\ &= \varphi(g) \cdot \varphi(g^{-1}) \\ &= \varphi(gg^{-1}) = \varphi(e) = \tilde{e} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow gkg^{-1} \in K$$

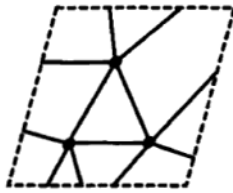
For any $k \in K \exists k'$ s.t.

$$gk'g^{-1} = k$$

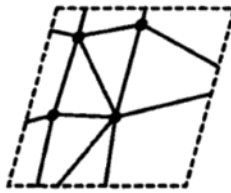
$$k' = g^{-1}kg \in K$$

χ_3 (T_3)

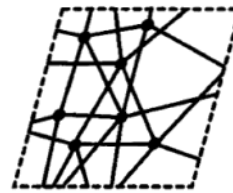
$$\Rightarrow \chi_1 = \chi_2$$



a = T_1

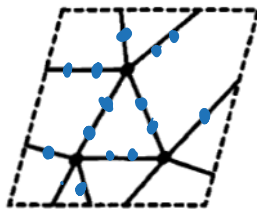


b = T_2

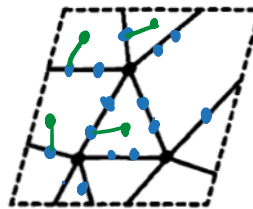


c = $T_1 \cup T_2$

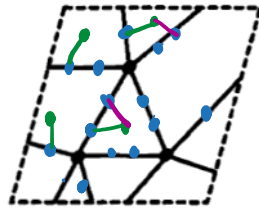
$$\chi : \underset{+}{V} - \underset{+}{E} + F$$



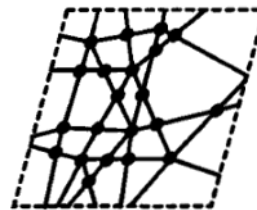
a



a



a



b

$$\begin{matrix} +E \\ +F \end{matrix} \chi$$

Steps to Construct T_3 : -

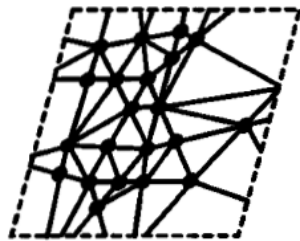
- 1) Start with T_1
- 2) Mark the vertices where the edges of T_2 intersect T_1
 χ is constant as $V+$, $E+$.
- 3) Mark the vertices of T_2
 and join them with edges to the intersection points.

- and join them with edges to the intersection points.

$$V+, E+$$

- 4) Join the remaining T_2 edges in T_3
Even here χ is constant on $E+ F+$

- 5) Join the vertices to form triangles
 χ is constant on $E+ F+$.



$$c = T_1 \cup T_2$$

$$\chi(c) = \chi(T_1)$$

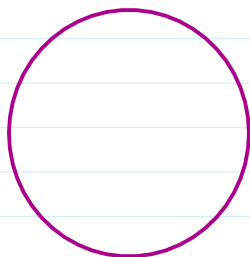
$$\chi(c) = \chi(T_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \chi(T_1) = \chi(T_2)$$

$$\chi(\text{sphere}) = \chi$$

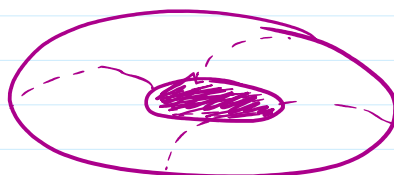
$$\chi(\text{torus}) = \chi.$$

$$\chi = 2$$



$$\chi(\text{sphere}) = 2$$

(0-torus)



$$\chi(\text{torus}) = 0$$

(1-torus)

$$V=9, E=12, F=8$$

$$\chi = 9 - 12 + 8 = 0$$

torus $\rightarrow$ tori

H/W

H/W ↓



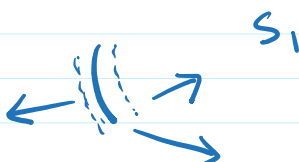
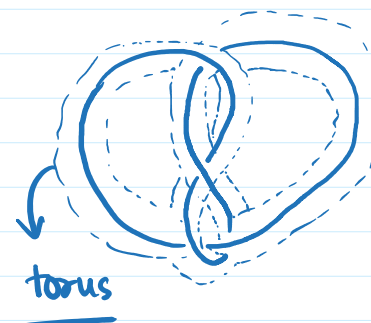
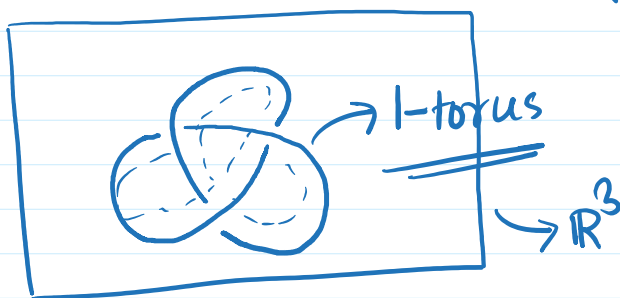
$$\chi(2\text{-torus}) = -2$$

$$\chi(n\text{-torus}) = 2 - 2n$$

Genus $\longleftrightarrow \chi(\dots)$

Knot $\rightarrow$ Embedding of S^1 onto $\mathbb{R}^3$.

Knot Complement:- Basically everything except the knot.
in the space $\mathbb{R}^3$

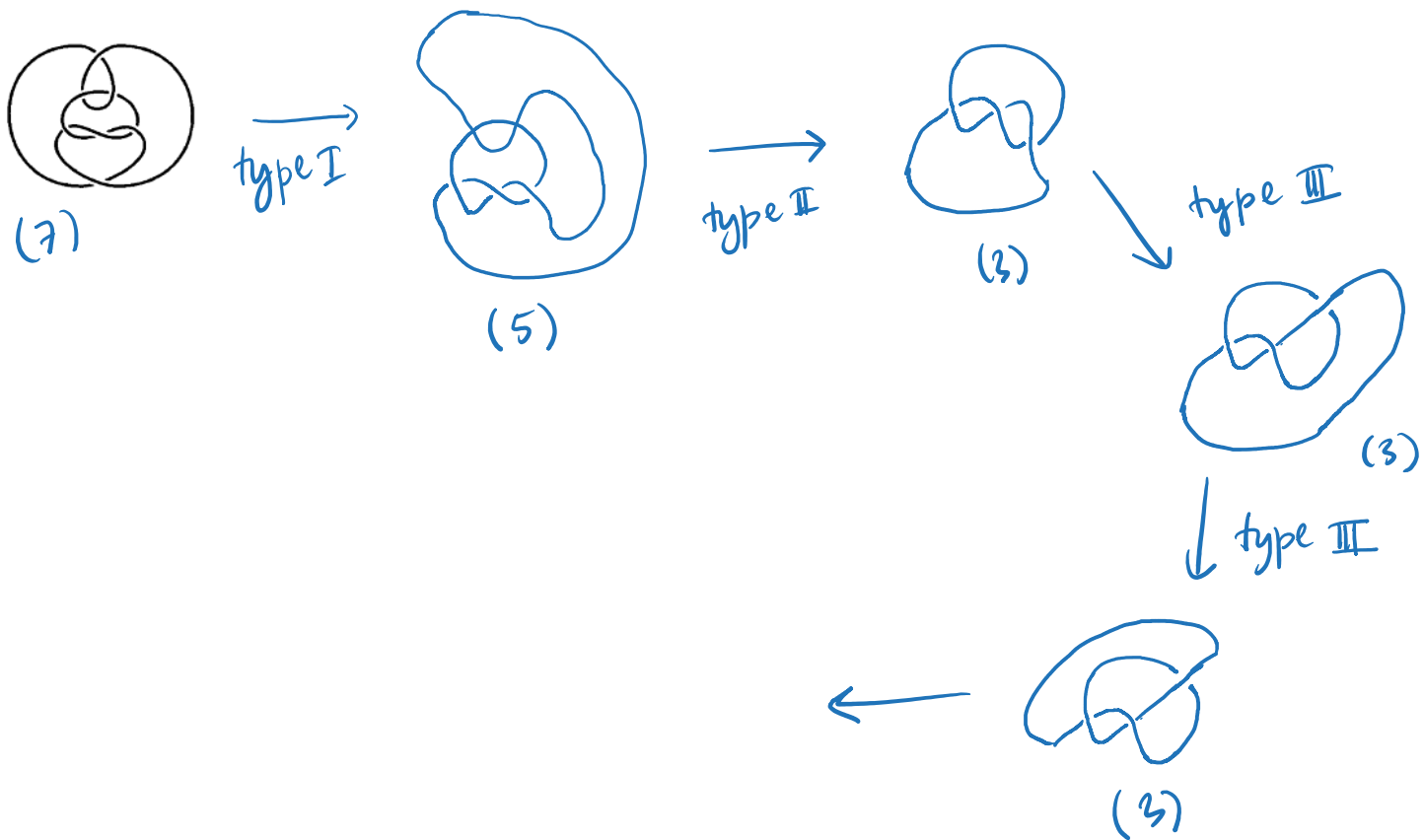


" All the surfaces live in the complement of the knots. " links.

Surfaces without boundary.

Exercises

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Permutations

p is a permutation on a set S .

$$\Rightarrow P(s_1) = P(s_2) \text{ iff } s_1 = s_2$$

$$\Rightarrow p: S \rightarrow S$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall s \in S \exists! s_0 \in S \text{ s.t. } P(s_0) = s$$

- An iso. is an example of a permutation.
- $[n] = \{1, 2, \dots, n\} / 1(1)n$

$$S_n := \{ p \mid p \text{ is a permutation from } [n] \text{ to } [n] \}$$

→ A group

→ Identity is just $x \mapsto x \forall x \in 1(1)n$

→ $\# |S_n| = n!$

• generator sets :-

The entire group can be generated by the generators and their inverses.

Dihedral group

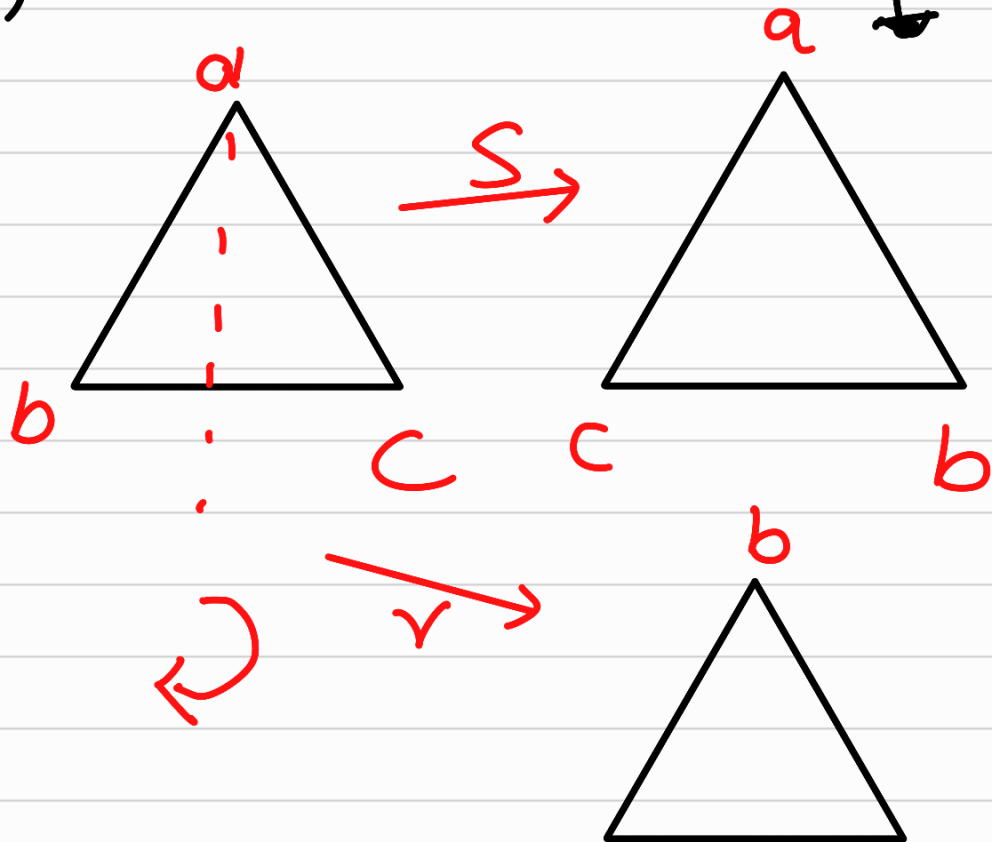
$$D_n \Rightarrow \{s, r\}$$

$$n \geq 3$$

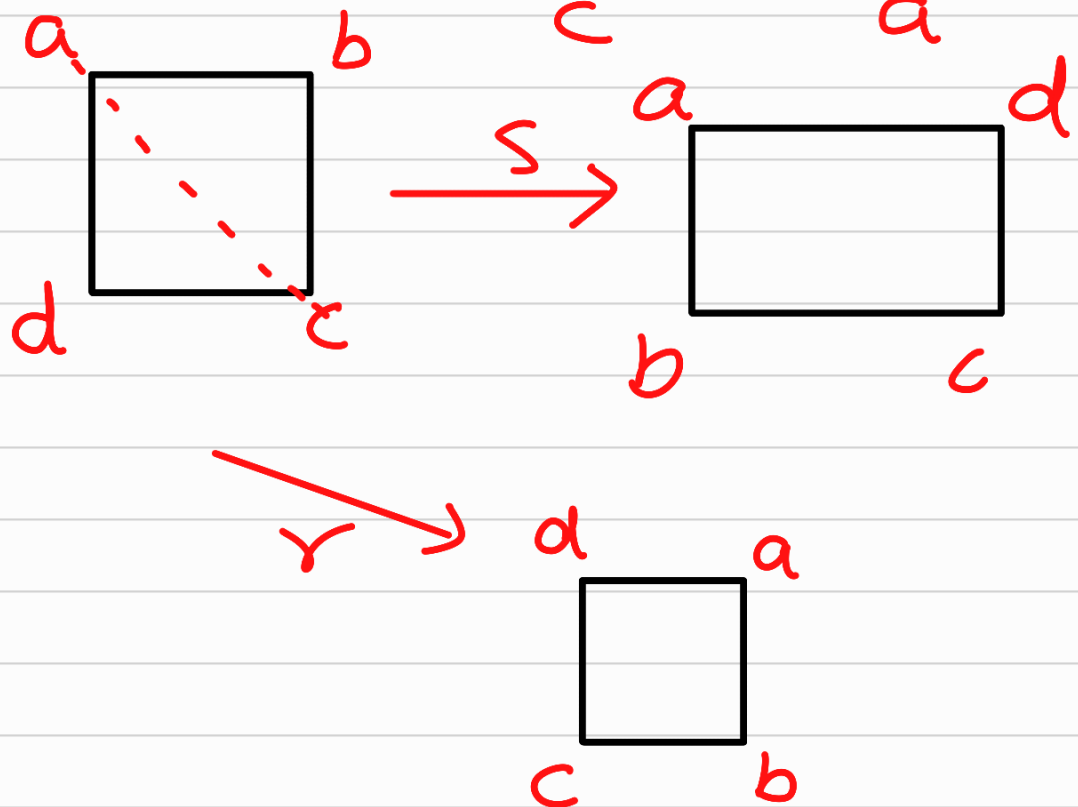
(Regular
polygon
of size n)

$$\underline{s^2 = e}, \quad \underline{r^n = e}, \quad \underline{(sr)^2 = e}$$

D_3



D_4



$$srsr = e \Rightarrow \underline{srs} = \underline{r}^{-1}$$

$$\underline{\text{H.W.}}: s r^k s = r^{n-k}$$

Cyclic Notation.

$$P: [5] \rightarrow [5]$$

$$\begin{array}{l} 1 \rightarrow 4 \\ 2 \rightarrow 3 \\ 3 \rightarrow 1 \\ 4 \rightarrow 2 \\ 5 \rightarrow 5 \end{array} \quad P = (14 \ 23) \quad \underline{\underline{(5)}}$$

Thm.: Any permutation can be represented as product of cycles with empty intersection.

Proof: Say we are working on a set S s.t. $|S| = n$

$a_1 \in S$

$$a_1, P(a_1), P(P(a_1)) \dots, P^k(a_1)$$

||
 $P^l(a_1)$

where $l \neq 0$ & All the elements

before p^k were distinct.

$$p(\underline{p^{l-1}(a_1)}) = p^l(a_1)$$

$$p(\underline{p^{k-1}(a_1)}) = p^k(a_1) = p^l(a_1)$$

$\Rightarrow p^k$ will terminate at a_1 .

$$(a_1, p(a_1), \dots, p^{k-1}(a_1)) \rightarrow k \geq 1$$

$$b_1 \dots \dots \dots \quad l \geq 1$$

$$c_1 \dots \dots \dots \quad m \geq 1$$

• Transposition: A 2 cycle.

★ Thm.

Any permutation can be written as a product of transpositions.

Knots & Groups

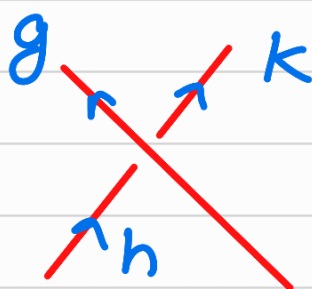
- Group is G & any knot is K .



(Right)

$$gKg^{-1} = h$$

OR $gK = hg$



(Left)

$$ghg^{-1} = K$$

OR $gh = Kg$

☆ All the assigned labels at the crossing end up generating G .

Q. If we know K and h does
our g get fixed?

$$\Rightarrow K = h = e \quad \forall g \in G$$

Thm. If any K . diag. can be labeled with elements from G , then any of the K . diag. of the same knot can be labeled with elements from G , regardless of whatever orientation choice.

$\Rightarrow R-I, R-II, R-III.$

Conway $\rightarrow$

$\boxed{\underline{t_1}, \underline{t_2}}$