

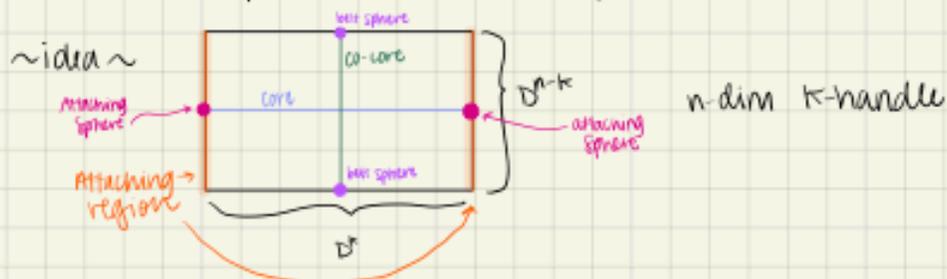
\* Introduction to handles  $\hookrightarrow$  handle bodies \*

I What is a handle?

definition: For  $0 \leq k \leq n$ , an  $n$ -dimensional  $k$ -handle  $h$  is a copy of  $D^k \times D^{n-k}$ .

~ anatomy of a handle ~

- ① Attaching region:  $\partial D^k \times D^{n-k} = S^{k-1} \times D^{n-k}$
- ② Attaching sphere: denoted  $A^k = \partial D^k \times \{0\} = S^{k-1} \times \{0\}$
- ③ Core: denoted  $C^k = D^k \times \{0\}$
- ④ Co-core: denoted  $K^k = \{0\} \times D^{n-k}$
- ⑤ belt sphere: denoted  $B^k = \{0\} \times \partial D^{n-k} = \{0\} \times S^{n-k-1}$



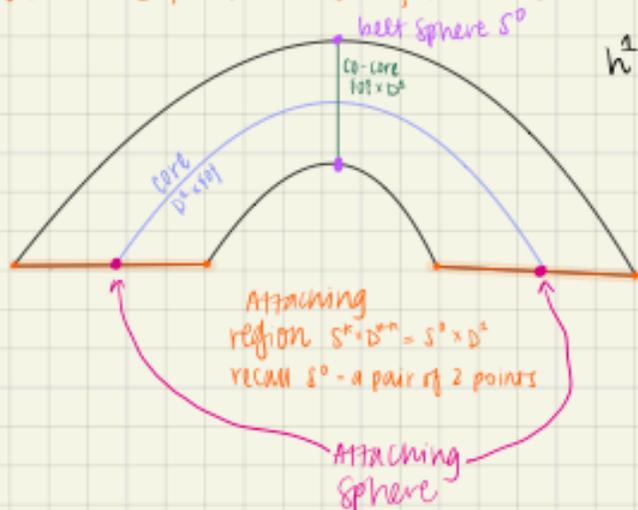
~ concrete example: 2D-manifolds

2-dim 0-handle  $h_0: D^0 \times D^2 = D^2$

2-dim 1-handle  $h_1: D^1 \times D^1$

2-dim 2-handle  $h_2: D^2 \times D^0 = D^2$

~ let's draw  $h_1$ , the 1-handle,  $D^1 \times D^1$ .  $D^1$  is an 'edge',  $\longrightarrow$ , so  $D^1 \times D^1$  = a band



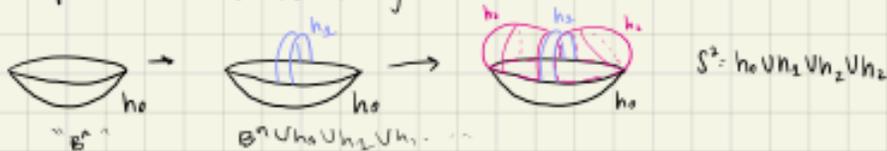
\* Homework write out the 3-dimensional handles  $h_0, h_1, h_2$ , and  $h_3$ . Can you draw  $h_2$  and  $h_3$   $\&$  label the 5 regions? ( $h_3$  is more difficult).



## II constructing manifolds using handles

\* A **handlebody** is a compact manifold expressed as a union of handles.

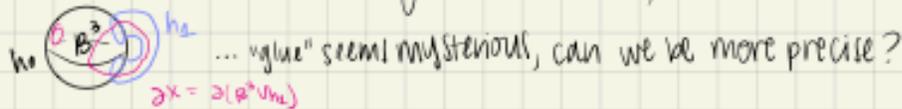
ex: a 2-sphere as a handlebody



\* How do we use handles to construct manifolds ~ abstractly?

We start with a manifold  $X$  and "glue" the handles to the boundary of  $X$ , denoted  $\partial X$ .

If we start with the 0-handle for 3-manifolds, we start with  $B^3$ , the 3-dimensional ball.



\* Technical details \*

Denote  $\varphi: \partial D^k \times D^{n-k} \rightarrow \partial X$  as the attaching map.

3-manifold specifics:  $\varphi: \partial D^k \times D^{3-k} \rightarrow \partial X$

$\varphi$  is continuous, differentiable

this is the attaching region!

So our maps are  $\varphi_1: S^0 \times D^2 \rightarrow \partial B^3 = S^2$ . We specify the "feet" of the 1-handle by stating where disks  $D^2$  are mapped on the boundary of a 3-ball, which is  $S^2$ .

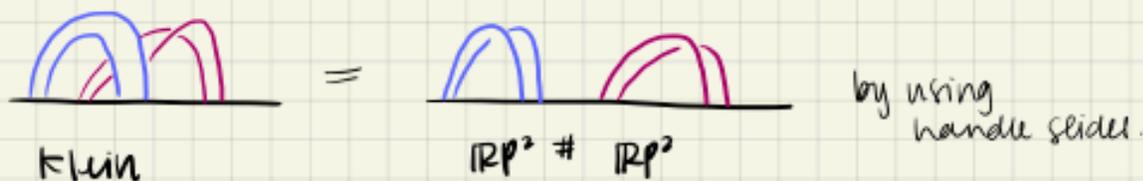
For  $\varphi_2$ , mapping the 2-handles, we do not simply have  $B^3$  anymore, we now have  $B^3 \cup h_1$ , or  $B^3$  union all the 1-handles we have attached. This is why the map is " $\partial X$ " as once we start adding handles, we begin to change the space.

\* Homework: Compare your handle drawings to this idea. Does it make sense?

Think about the idea of a "handlebody" and how each handle is attached for both 2 & 3 dimensional manifolds

\* handle slides & drawing 3-manifolds \*

~ The homework was to show:



\* additionally consider:



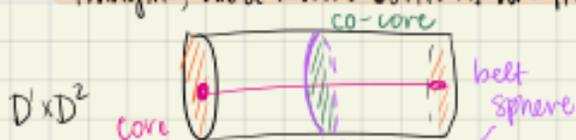
\* handle decompositions for 3-manifolds \*

\* 0-handles:  $h_0 = D^0 \times D^3$ ,  $A_0 = \emptyset$  "poofs into existence"  $(-B^3)$

\* 1-handles:  $h_1 = D^1 \times D^2$ ,  $A_1 = \partial D^1 \times D^2 = S^0 \times D^2$

\* Attaching 1-handles, we have to worry about orientation.

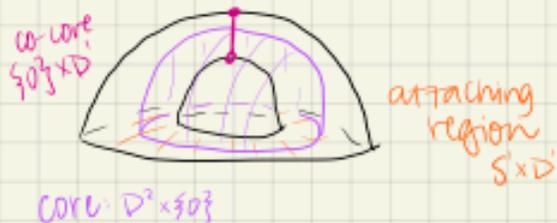
HW: Think about what a non-orientable handle attachment might "look like" (very hard to imagine, like a Klein bottle as an inspiration.) ← will discuss next time.



Attaching region aka "feet."

\* 2-handles:  $h_2 = D^2 \times D^1$ ,  $A_2 = S^1 \times D^1$  aka igloos.

~ we do not worry about orientation here. Attaching  $h_2$  to a manifold  $X$  does not affect whether  $X$  is orientable or not.

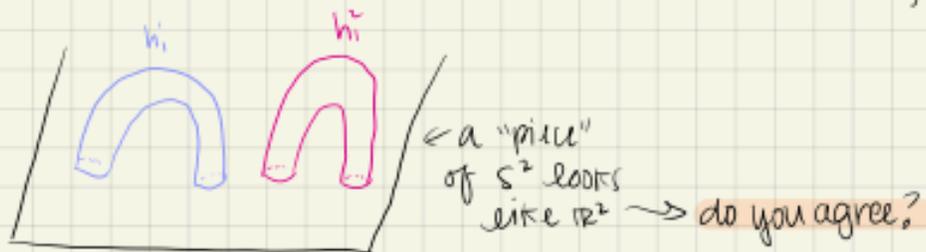


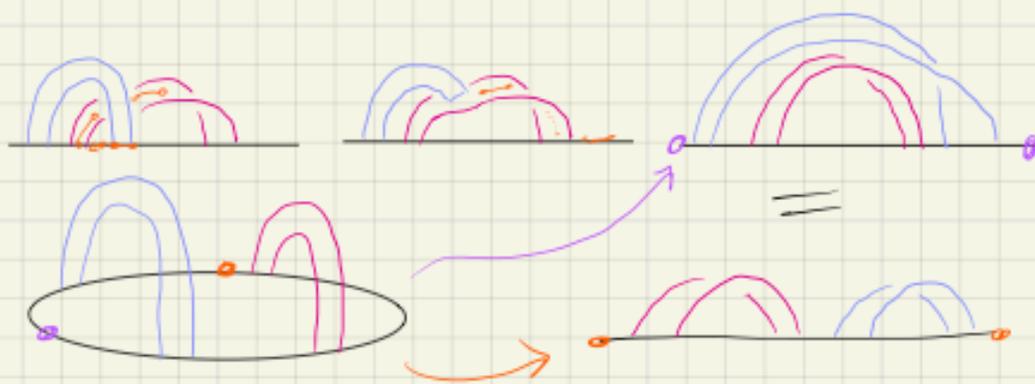
\* 3-handles:  $h_3 = D^3 \times D^0$ ,  $h_3 = S^2 \times D^0$  "caps" or "hats" the manifold.

# FACT:

\* Given  $X$  is a closed, oriented 3-mfld, we may assume the handle decomposition consists of only one 0-handle and one 3-handle. When we attach 1-handles, the attaching regions "live" in  $\partial h_0 = \partial B^3 = S^2$ .

~ slide some one handles ~ Notation:  $h_1^1 = 1\text{-handle \#1}$ ,  $h_1^2 = 1\text{-handle \#2}$ .





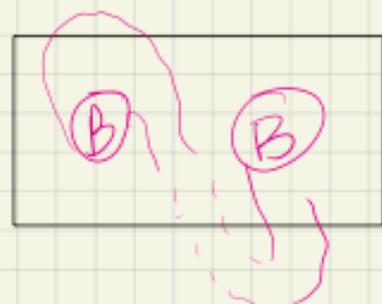
### \* Drawing 3-manifolds

- ① start  $h_0 = B^3$  ☺
- ② attach handles to  $\partial B^3 = S^2$  ☹ ☺
- ③ locally,  $S^2 = \mathbb{R}^2$  ☺
- ④ therefore, I draw handle attachments on a "sheet of paper" ☺
- ⑤ I can draw only the attaching regions.



$\partial B^3 = S^2$

not orientable:



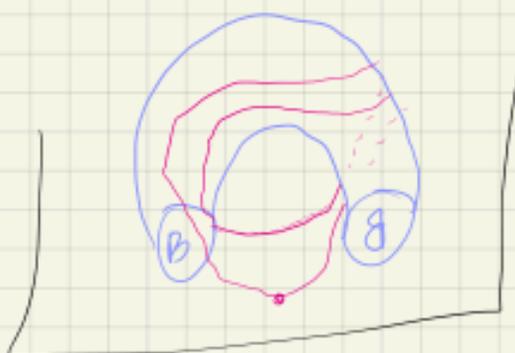
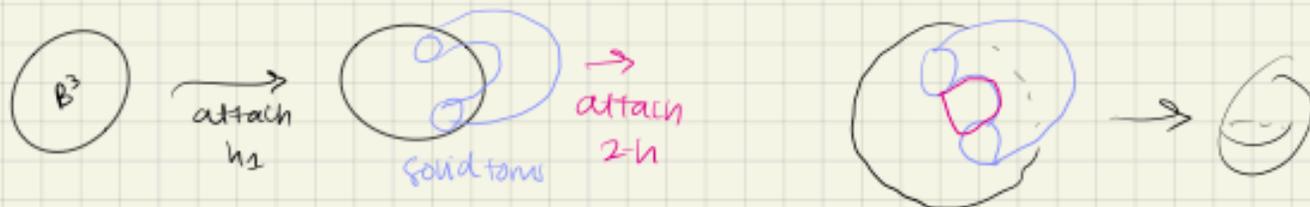
☺

\* Drawing the attaching maps of the 2-handles.

~ attach  $h_2$  along  $\partial X = \partial(B^3 \cup h_1) \simeq h_1$

~ attaching region for  $h_2 = D^2 \times D^1$  is  $S^1 \times D^1$  CIRCLES

\* handles can "cancel" called "canceling pair"



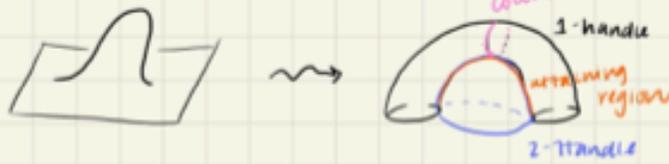
\* canceling pairs

\* what is hopf fibration

↳ 3-sphere is tori

\* what is a lens space

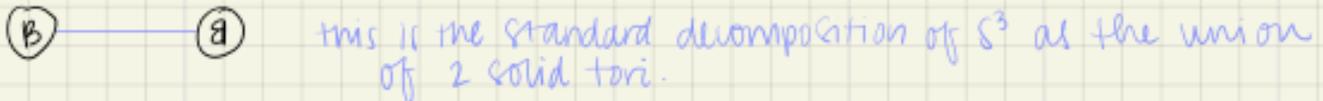
\*cancelling pairs



**Proposition 4.2.8.** A  $(k-1)$ -handle  $h_{k-1}$  and a  $k$ -handle  $h_k$  ( $1 \leq k \leq n$ ) can be cancelled, provided that the attaching sphere of  $h_k$  intersects the belt sphere of  $h_{k-1}$  transversely in a single point.

\* Restate for 3-mflds: if  $h_2$ , a 2-handle, and  $h_1$ , a 1-handle, are attached to  $X$  so that the attaching sphere of  $h_2$  intersects the belt sphere of  $h_1$  exactly one time, then  $X \cup h_2 \cup h_1 \cong X$ .

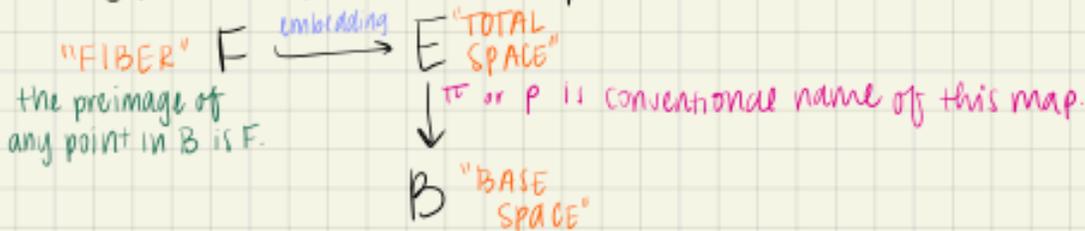
\*EX: Heegaard diagram for  $S^3$



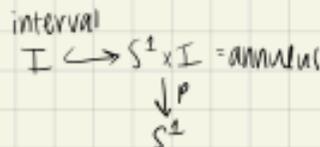
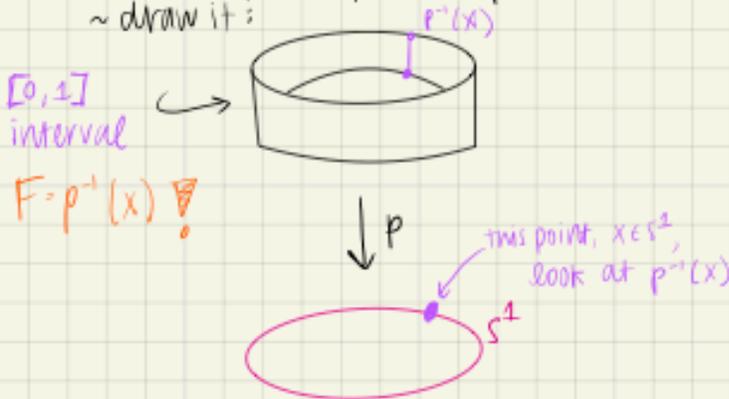
~ Standard decomposition? So how do we see  $S^3$  as 2 solid tori? How does this Heegaard diagram make sense??

\* We start with the Hopf fibration (there is a wiki page, if needed).

① What is a fibration? A triple:



\* canonical example: a product space.  
~ draw it:



\* pre-image of the point is the fiber!

## \* Hopf fibration \*

$$S^1 \hookrightarrow S^3$$

$$\downarrow p$$

$$S^2$$

for each  $x \in S^2$ , the fiber is  $S^1$   
 important distinction:  $S^2 \times S^1 \neq S^3$   
 the total space  $E (= S^3$  in this moment) is often NOT  $F \times B$ ,  
 in this case  $S^1 \times S^2$

\* Coordinates: In  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . Denote angle  $\xi_1, \xi_2$  (greek letter  $\xi_i$ ) as angle that can take any value between 0 and  $2\pi$ . Angle  $\eta$  (greek letter  $\eta$ ) where  $0 \leq \eta \leq \pi/2$ .

~ in  $\mathbb{R}^4$ :

$$x_0 = \cos \xi_1 \sin \eta$$

$$x_1 = \sin \xi_1 \sin \eta$$

$$x_2 = \cos \xi_2 \cos \eta$$

$$x_3 = \sin \xi_2 \cos \eta$$

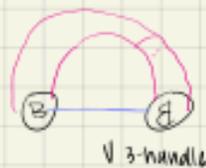
\* HW \* For any fixed value of  $\eta$ , show  $(\xi_1, \xi_2)$  parameterize a 2D-torus.  
 hint: don't overthink. Use calculus 3 and drawings. Don't be too formal.  
 just convince yourself this works.

~ what happens when  $\eta = 0$  or  $\pi/2$ ?

\* HW \* How does this relate to the Heegaard diagram?

hint: What is a 0-handle  $\cup$  1-handle?  
 What is a 2-handle  $\cup$  3-handle?

~ this is a challenge question we haven't discussed yet. Just think on it, no pressure.



$$h_0: B^3$$

$$h_1: B^1 \times B^2$$

$$h_2: B^2 \times B^1$$

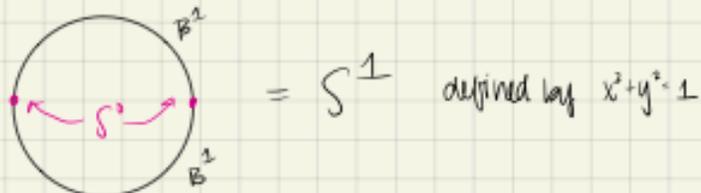
$$h_3: B^3$$

## \* Construction of 3-spheres and fibrations \*

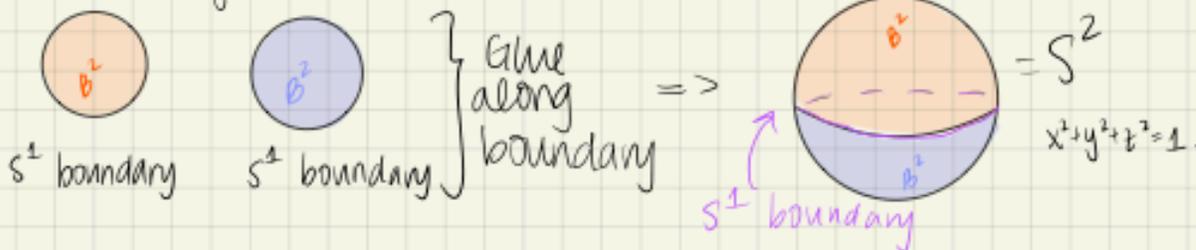
~ let us first look at a geometric approach to the construction of spheres. (unit spheres here)  
 recall:  $S^n$  = n-dimensional sphere,  $B^n$  = n-dimensional ball (sometimes  $D^n$  for disk).

① construct  $S^1$  from two  $B^1$ :

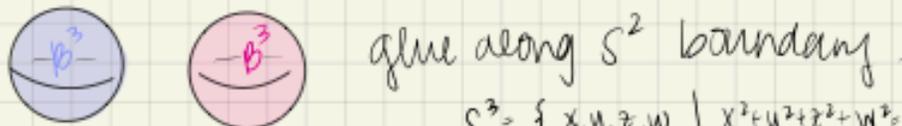
$B^1$   $\leftarrow$   $\leftarrow$   $B^1$  glue along boundary ( $S^0$ )  
 $S^0$  boundary



② construct  $S^2$  from two  $B^2$ :



③ construct  $S^3$  from 2  $B^3$ .



$$S^3 = \{x, y, z, w \mid x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + w^2 = 1\} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^4$$

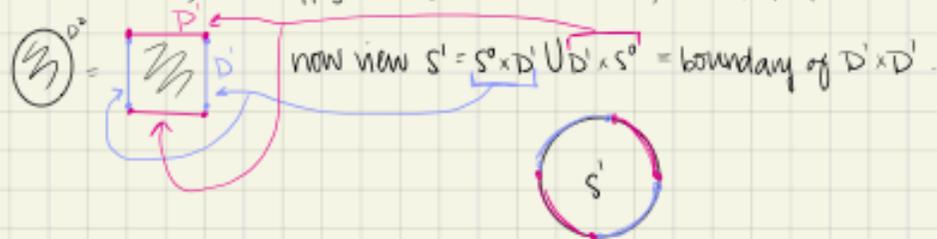
~ this is one common construction of higher dimensional spheres.  
 (can't draw it though)

## \* The 2 tori \*

$S^1$  is the boundary of  $B^2 = D^2 \times D^2$ , and the boundary of  $D^2 \times D^2 = S^1 \times D^2 \cup D^2 \times S^1$

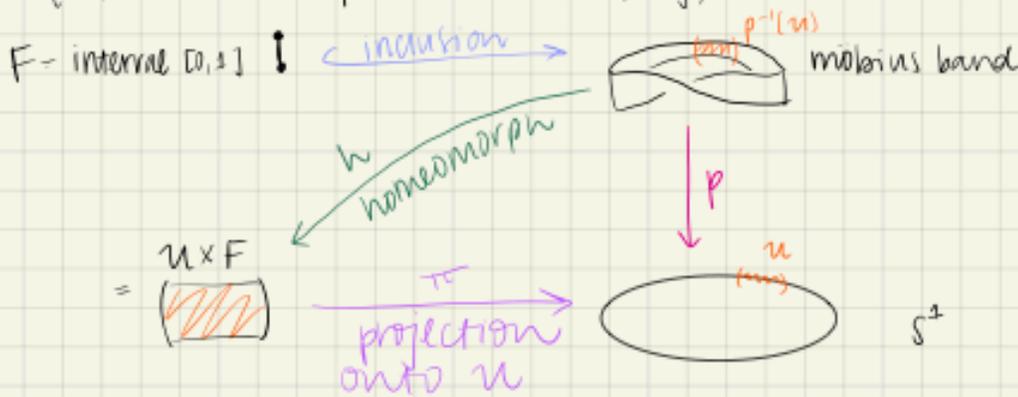
$\rightarrow S^3 = S^1 \times D^2 \cup D^2 \times S^1$  (this is cheeky and perhaps non-helpful)

however, let's apply this same idea to  $S^1$ , which is the boundary of  $D^2 = D^1 \times D^1$ .





② A non-trivial example: the Möbius band as a fiber bundle.  
 (note: when we end up with non-orientable things, we call them twisted bundles (twisted fiber bundles)).

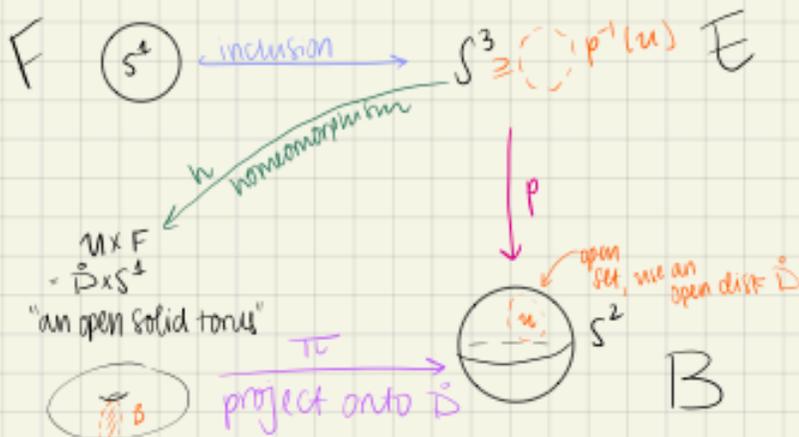


\* Here, the Möbius band  $\neq S^1 \times I = \text{annulus}$

Fibers are defined locally by neighborhoods. Locally, the neighborhoods look like  $S^1 \times I$ , but globally our  $E = \text{total space}$  is not  $S^1 \times I$ . The twisted bundles are denoted  $S^1 \tilde{\times} I$ .

↳ twisted cross product

③ The Hopf fibration - a non-trivial fiber bundle.



\* Another way to think:  
 "above every point in  $S^2$  is an  $S^1$ "  
 this means given  $(x, y, z) \in S^2$ ,  
 $p^{-1}(x, y, z) = S^1$ .

\* hw: can you see why using  $\pi \circ h = p$ ?

# \* LENS SPACES \*

~ we do the group theoretic approach first ~

\* Lens spaces are 3-manifolds denoted  $L(p, q)$  where  $\gcd(p, q) = 1$  and  $0 \leq q < p$  by convention. We do a brief review of terminology before defining a lens space.

\* defn: A group  $G$  acts on a set  $X$  if there is a map  $F: G \times X \rightarrow X$  where, if we denote  $f(g, x)$  by  $g \cdot x$ , then  $1x = x \forall x \in X$ ,  $1$  is identity in  $G$ ,  $g(h \cdot x) = (gh) \cdot x \forall g, h \in G, x \in X$

~ if  $X$  is a topological space, the mapping  $f_g: X \rightarrow X$  given by  $f_g(x) = g \cdot x$  is a homeomorphism and  $X$  is called a  $G$ -space.

~ if  $X$  is a  $G$ -space st  $g \cdot x = x$  for some  $x$  implies  $g = 1$ , then  $G$  acts freely on  $X$

\* Given  $G$  acts on  $X$ ,  $X/G$  denotes the set of equivalence classes  $\{[x] \mid x \in X\}$  where  $[x_1] = [x_2]$  iff  $x_1 = g \cdot x_2$  for some  $g \in G$ .  $X/G$  is called the orbit space of  $X$  over  $G$ , and the  $G \cdot x$  constitute a collection of disjoint orbits, corresponding to the equivalence classes.

✓ recall  $C^1 \sim \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $S^3 \subset \mathbb{R}^4$

\* defn: Define the 3-sphere  $S^3$  to be the set  $\{(z_0, z_1) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \mid |z_0|^2 + |z_1|^2 = 1\}$

\* recall the cyclic group with  $p$  elements is  $\mathbb{Z}_p = \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$  ( $p$  not necessarily prime) and addition is defined (mod  $p$ ) where  $0$  is the additive identity.

~ Defining a lens space ~

\* Fix some  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $0 \leq q < p$  and  $\gcd(p, q) = 1$ , and let  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  act on  $S^3$  as follows:

$$m \in \mathbb{Z}_p, S^3 = \{(z_0, z_1) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \mid |z_0|^2 + |z_1|^2 = 1\}$$
$$\phi_m: S^3 \rightarrow S^3 \text{ given by } \phi_m(z_0, z_1) = (e^{\frac{2\pi i m}{p}} \cdot z_0, e^{\frac{2\pi i q m}{p}} \cdot z_1)$$

~ this is a group action ~

$$\textcircled{1} 0 \in \mathbb{Z}_p: 0(z_0, z_1) = (e^0 z_0, e^0 z_1) = (z_0, z_1)$$
$$\textcircled{2} m, n \in \mathbb{Z}_p: m(n(z_0, z_1)) = m(e^{\frac{2\pi i n}{p}} z_0, e^{\frac{2\pi i n q}{p}} z_1) = (e^{\frac{2\pi i (m+n)}{p}} z_0, e^{\frac{2\pi i (m+n)q}{p}} z_1) = (m+n)(z_0, z_1)$$

~ facts ~

$\phi_m$  is bijective, continuous, has a continuous inverse  $\rightarrow$  homeomorphism.

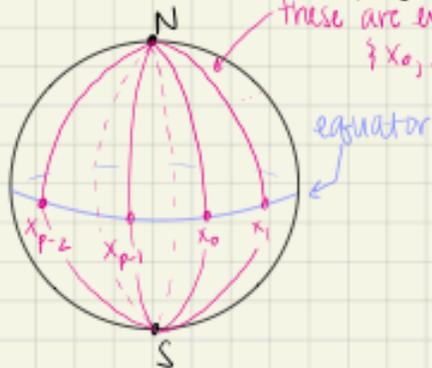
$\Rightarrow S^3$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -space. Also,  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  acts freely on  $S^3$ .

We now define  $L(p, q)$  to be the orbit space  $S^3/\mathbb{Z}_p$  with respect to the action.

\* Fact: the fundamental group of all the lens spaces  $L(p, q)$  is  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  (regardless of  $q$ ).

~geometric approaches~

① solid 3-ball. Choose  $p$  for  $L(p, q)$ .



We then identify the upper-half with the lower half after a  $\frac{2\pi q}{p}$ -radian positive rotation of the upper half wrt the lower.

~try an example  $L(2, 1)$ .

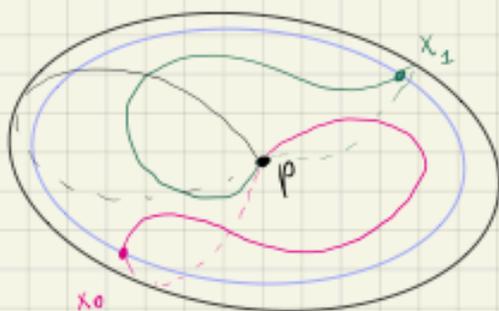


upper half twist  $\pi$  radians



\*we then identify the north & south pole

it becomes difficult to draw, but the next step is to identify  $x_0$  &  $x_2$ . Sometimes this step is called "identify spherical triangles."



p is the point of the north & south identification

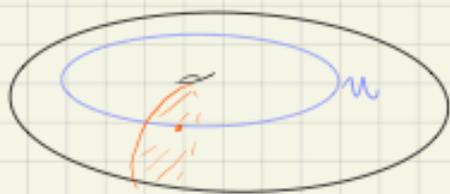
② Dehn Surgery on knots

$L(p, q)$  can be defined by  $p/q$  surgery along the unknot (eg,  $S^1$ ).

Some notation:  $\mathcal{U}$  = the unknot.  $\mathcal{V}(\mathcal{U})$  = a neighborhood of the unknot.

notes on  $\mathcal{V}(\mathcal{U})$ : the neighborhood of a point is a disk

thus, the neighborhood of a knot (any knot) is a solid torus



meridian =  $\mu$  longitude =  $\lambda$



(common notation & language for the torus in general)

## Construct $L(p,q)$

① Remove  $\nu(u)$ , the neighborhood of the unknot, which is a solid torus.  
 $S^3 - \nu(u)$

② "glue" or "sew" back in another solid torus via some homeomorphism  $\phi$ .

both terms are used for this operation.

$ST =$  solid torus.

$\phi: \partial(ST) \rightarrow \partial(ST)$  and  $\partial(ST) = T^2$ , boundary of solid torus is a torus.

so we have  $\phi: T^2 \rightarrow T^2$  defined by  $\phi(\mu) = q\lambda + p\mu$ . We send the meridian to twist  $q$  times longitudinally &  $p$  times around the meridian.

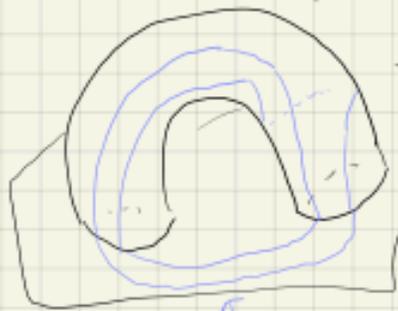
$L(2,1)$ :



~~HW~~ How would we draw this as a handle diagram?

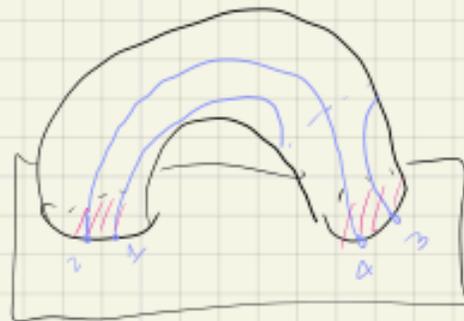
\*Draw  $L(2,1)$ :

← 1-handle



a pile of  $B_2$

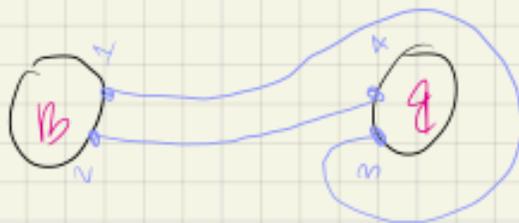
↑  
instead of drawing arcs in  $B_2$ , we assume they are there.



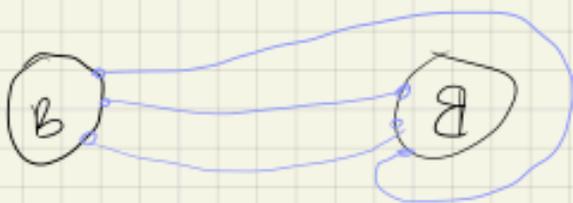
$B$

want to draw only the feet and blue arcs

$L(2,1)$ :



\* $L(3,1)$ :

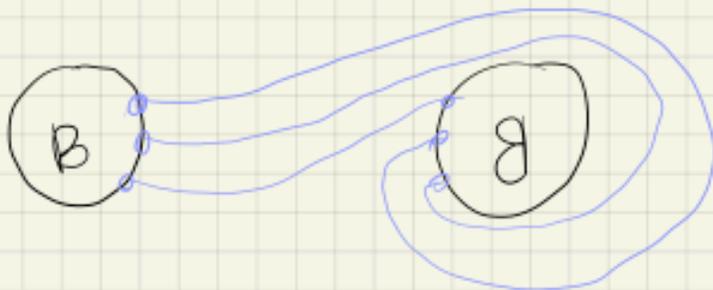


3 longitudes



← 1 meridional wrap

\* $L(3,2)$



3 longitudes



← 2 merid wraps