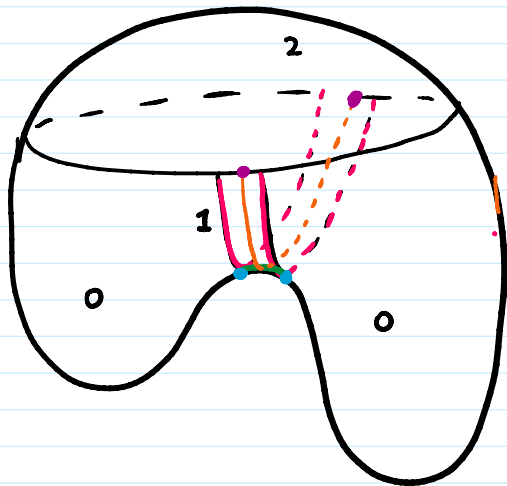


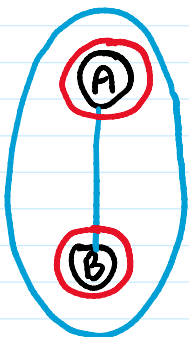
1-2  
cancelling  
pair

can flip upside down:



0-1  
cancelling  
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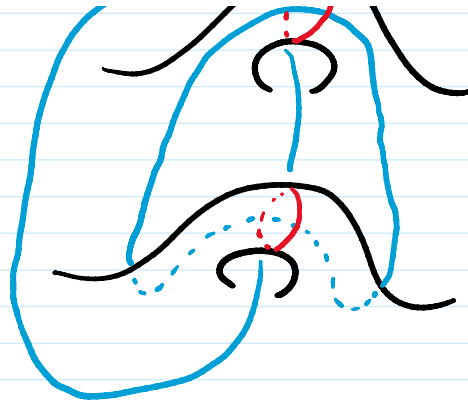
Example:



← Handlebody decomposition  
of a 3-mfd



Can think of this as being



this gives a genus 2 Heegaard splitting of some 3-mfd

Example:  $T^2 = S^1 \times S^1$

$$S^1 = \text{circle} = (0-h) \cup (1-h)$$

$$= \underbrace{D_-^1}_{0-h} \cup \underbrace{D_+^1}_{1-h}$$

$$S^1 \times S^1 = (D_-^1 \cup D_+^1) \times (D_-^1 \cup D_+^1)$$

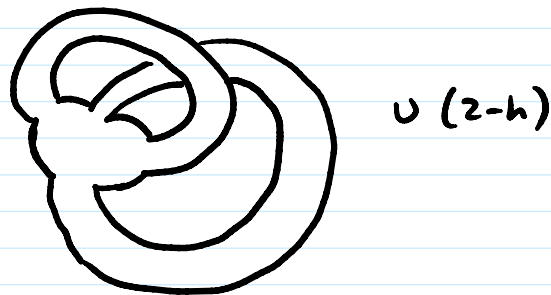
$$= D_-^1 \times (D_-^1 \cup D_+^1) \cup (D_+^1) \times (D_-^1 \cup D_+^1)$$

$$= \underbrace{(D_-^1 \times D_-^1)}_{0-h} \cup \underbrace{(D_-^1 \times D_+^1)}_{1-h} \cup \underbrace{(D_+^1 \times D_-^1)}_{1-h} \cup \underbrace{(D_+^1 \times D_+^1)}_{2-h}$$

How are they attached to one another?

think of  $\text{circle}_{0-h}^{1-h} \times D_-^1$  as  thickened  $(0-h) \cup (1-h)$

the other one is like



$\cup (2-h)$

can redraw disk as being a half-plane



Example:  $T^3 = S^1 \times S^1 \times S^1$

$$T^2 = (0-h) \cup (1-h) \cup (1-h) \cup (2-h)$$

$$S^1 = (0-h) \cup (1-h)$$

$$T^2 \times S^1 = \underbrace{(0-h)} \cup \underbrace{(1-h)} \cup \underbrace{(1-h)} \cup \underbrace{(1-h)} \cup \underbrace{(2-h)} \cup \underbrace{(2-h)} \cup \underbrace{(2-h)} \cup \underbrace{(3-h)}$$

Crossing with 0-h is like crossing



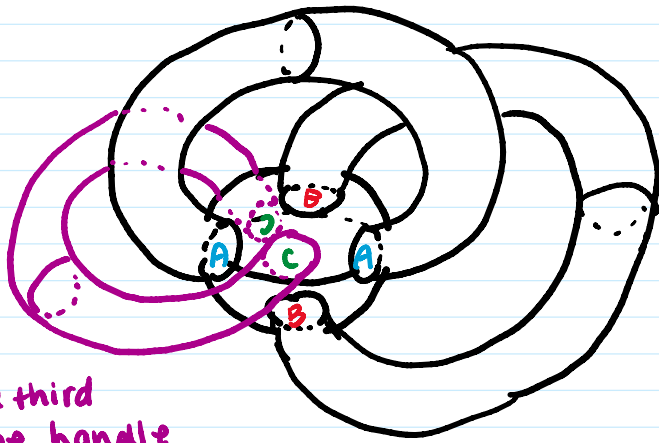
with interval

thicken:



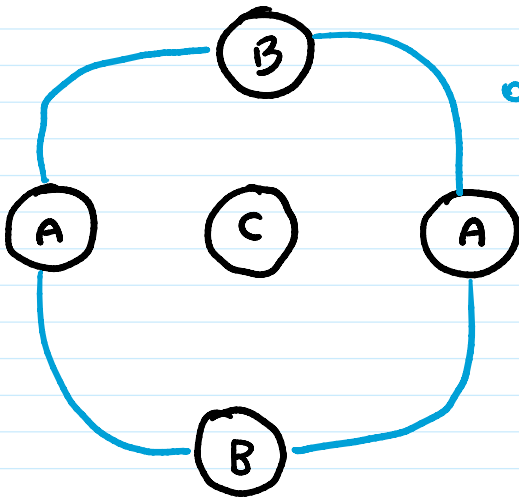
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add third  
one handle

send back "C" to  $\infty$

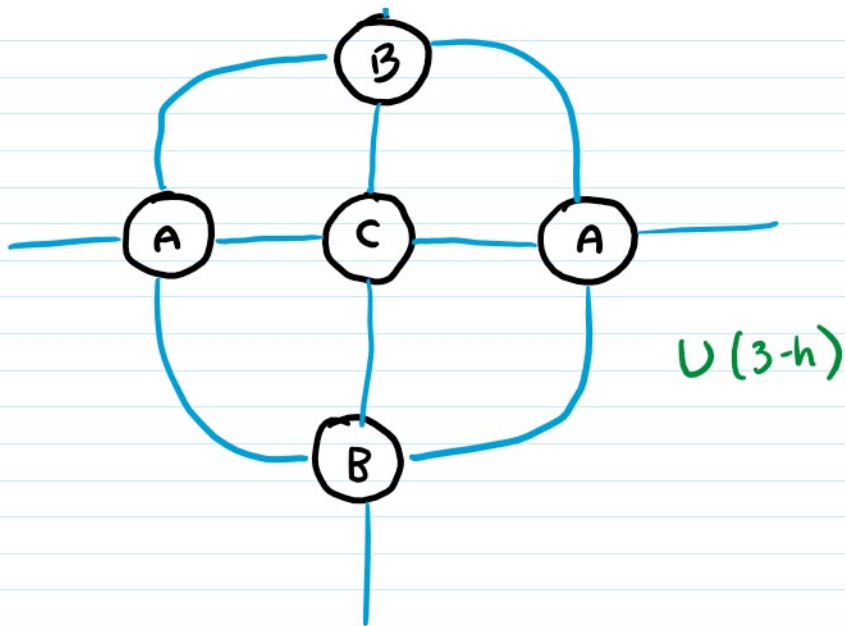


one of the two handles



add another 2-handle





Exercise:

Find a handle decomp. for  $\Sigma_g \times S^1$

# DIMENSION 4!

## KIRBY DIAGRAMS

Unique 0-handle  $D^4$ ,  $\partial D^4 = S^3 = \mathbb{R}^3 \cup \{\infty\}$

from now on we just draw boundary  $\partial$  attaching region

The attaching region for 1-handles =  $(\partial D^1) \times D^3 = D^3 \amalg D^3$



Attaching sphere for 2-handles =  $(\partial D^2) \times \{0\} = S^1 \times \{0\}$

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 and need to specify a framing

What about the 3- and 4-handles?

In a closed 4-mfd, we can assume there is one 4-handle

Duality gives us that the union of the 3- and 4-handles  
 will be 0-h  $\cup$  some (1-h)'s which is  $\natural_m S^1 \times D^3$

$m = \#$  of 3-handles

$$\partial \left( \natural_m S^1 \times D^3 \right) = \#_m S^1 \times S^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial (\text{union of 0-, 1-, and 2-handles}) = \#_m S^1 \times S^2$$

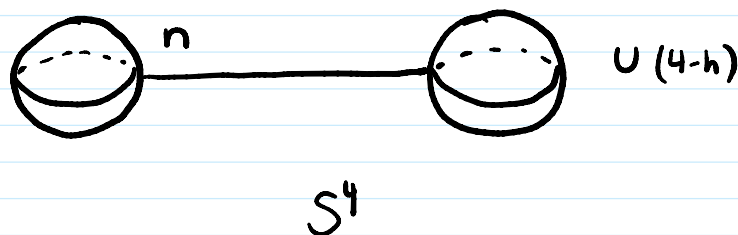
**Theorem** (Laudenbach-Poenaru)

Any self-diffeo of  $\#_m S^1 \times S^2$  extends over  $\natural_m S^1 \times D^3$

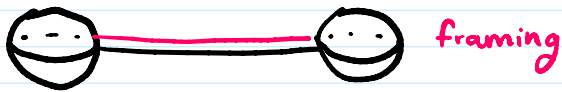
Consequences:

- 1.) Need boundary of (0-h)  $\cup$  (1-h)'s  $\cup$  (2-h)'s to be  $\#_m S^1 \times S^2$
- 2.) We don't need to specify the 3- or 4-handles  
 (multiple ways of attaching gives us the same 4-mfd)

Example:



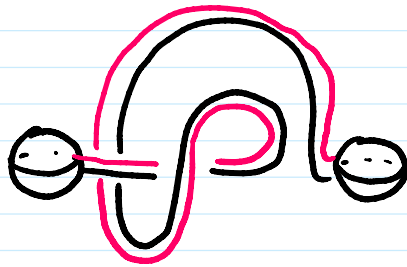
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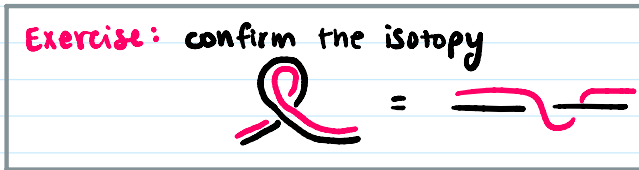
isotopies



↓



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troublesome: isotopy gives up that



Framings of 2-handles that go over a 1-handle have an ambiguity.

Remark: Later, we will describe a way to resolve this ambiguity

Example:

$$S^3 \times S^1 \quad S^3 = 0-h \cup 3-h$$

$$S^1 = 0-h \cup 1-h$$

$$S^3 \times S^1 = 0-h \cup 1-h \cup 3-h \cup 4-h$$



Example:

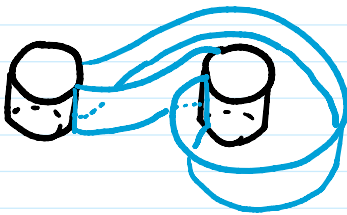
$$\mathbb{R}P^3 \times S^1$$

$$\mathbb{R}P^3 = 0-h \cup 1-h \cup 2-h \cup 3-h$$

$$S^1 = 0-h \cup 1-h$$



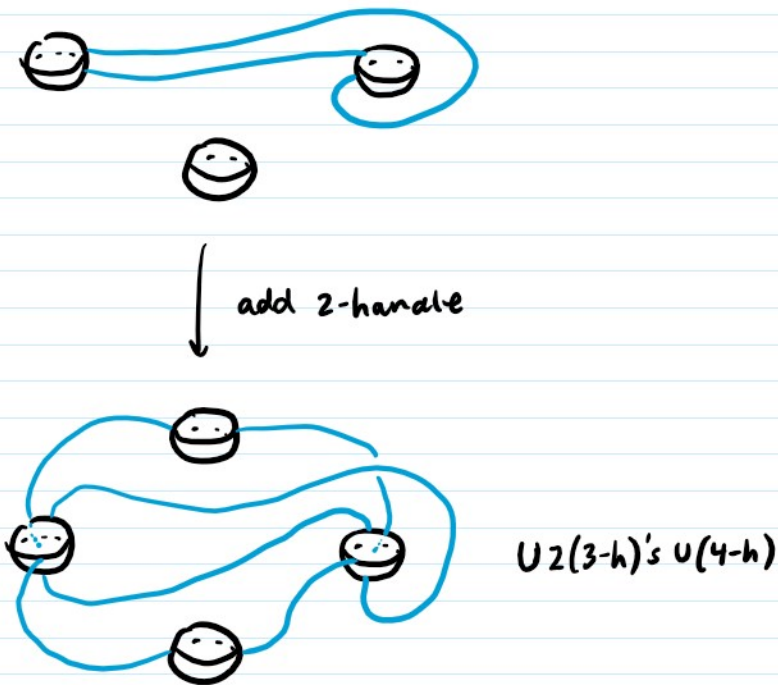
$$\mathbb{R}P^3 \times S^1 = (0-h) \cup 2(1-h)'s \cup 2(2-h)'s \cup 2(3-h)'s \cup (4-h)$$



add another one handle







## DOUBLES:

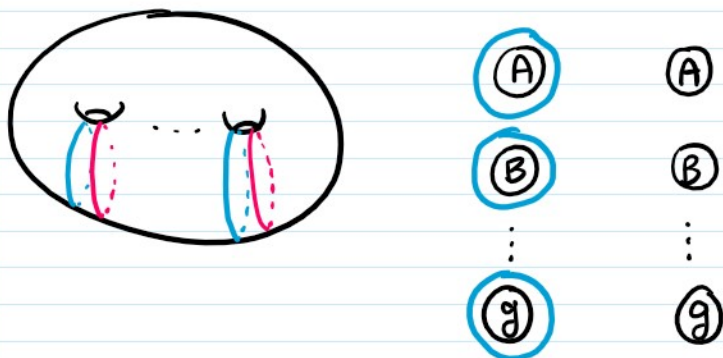
$M^n$  mfd with boundary. Can form the double of  $M$

$$DM = \partial(I \times M) = M \cup_{id} -M$$

Ex:  $D D^n = S^n$

Ex:  $D(\Sigma_g - D^2) = \Sigma_{2g}$

Ex:  $DH_g = \#_g S^2 \times S^1$



Ex:  $X = 4$ -mfd with no 3- or 4- handles

$$DX = X \cup \text{handles}$$

each 2-h of  $X \rightsquigarrow$  new 2-h

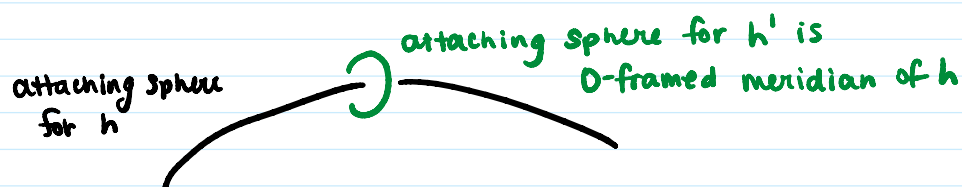
each 1-h of  $X \rightsquigarrow$  new 3-h

0-h of  $X \rightsquigarrow$  4-h

Sufficient to understand up to (2-h)s

- each new 2-handle  $h'$  is a copy of an old 2-handle  $h$  with core and cocore interchanged

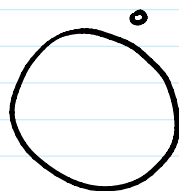
$h'$  attached to  $\partial X$  along belt sphere of  $h$



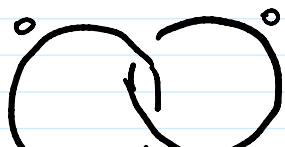
see Ex. 4.6.3 of Grompf  
and Stipsicz for the  
framing explanation.

$\Rightarrow$  double  $DX$  of  $X$  is obtained by adding a 0-framed meridian to each 2-handle of  $X$ , then attaching 3 and 4-handles.

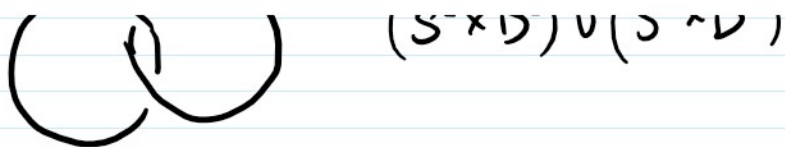
Examples:



$$S^2 \times D^2$$



$$(S^2 \times D^2) \cup (S^2 \times D^2)$$



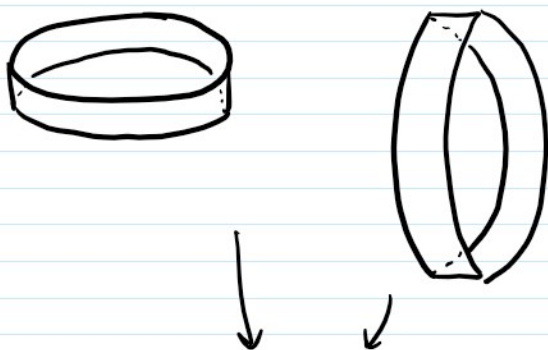
$$(S^1 \times D^1) \cup (D^1 \times S^1)$$

exercise: How are they identified?

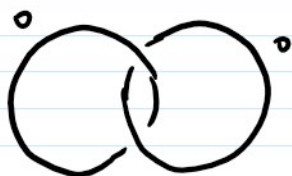
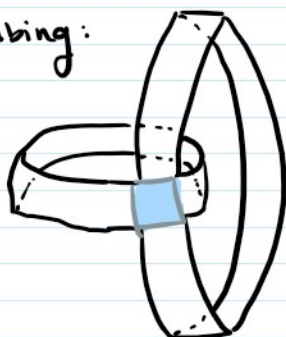
$$D_1 \times D^2 \cong D_2 \times D^2$$

swaps the factors (fiber  $\leftrightarrow$  base)

lower dimensional analog: plumbing



plumbing:



$$U(4-h)$$

boundary has matrix

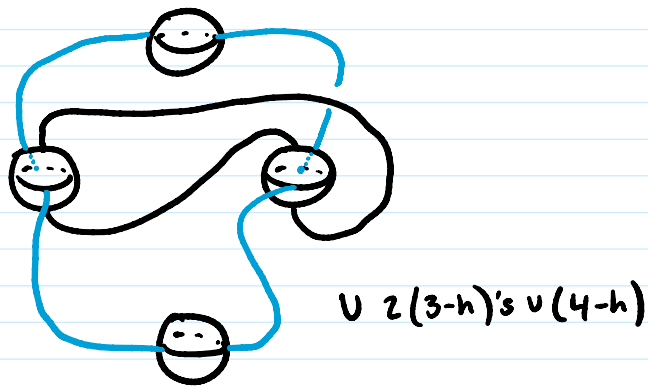
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

so  $\Sigma$  must be  $S^3$

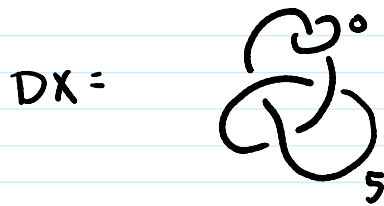
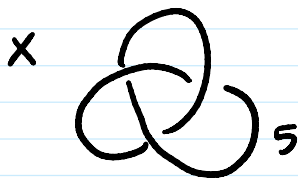
So this is  $S^2 \times S^2$ .

Example:

$$\mathbb{R}P^3 \times S^1$$



Ex: 4-mfd  $X$  with boundary  $X$



Exercise: Given a Kirby diagram for a 4-mfd, find a presentation for  $\pi_1(X)$

Question: Can we read off the intersection form of a 4-mfd from a handle decomposition / Kirby diagram?

Remark: Smooth 4-mfds with boundary have an intersection form

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

$$(a, b) \longmapsto a \cdot b \longleftarrow$$

signed count of intersection points between sm.

points between un.  
surfaces represent-  
ing a and b

- symmetric integral, bilinear form.

- can't do Poincaré duality in the same way when  $X$  is not closed

↳  $Q_X$  need not be unimodular

Example:

$$S^2 \times D^2 \quad Q_X = 0$$

Let  $R$  be a ring

An  $R$ -homology sphere  $M^n$  is a manifold with

$$H_*(M^n; R) = H_*(S^n; R)$$

We will mostly care about  $R = \mathbb{Z}$  and  $n=3$

integer homology sphere

Ex:  $S^3$  is the simplest example of an  $\mathbb{Z}HS^3$

Ex: Poincaré homology sphere

$$S_{-1}^3(\mathcal{CB}) \quad \Sigma(2,3,5)$$

Ex: #'s sums of these

(and  $\Sigma(p,q,r)$   
rel. prime)

Ex:  $S_{\frac{1}{n}}^3(K) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and any knot  $K$

Ex:  $S_{\frac{p}{q}}^3(K) \quad \begin{matrix} p \neq \pm 1 \\ p \neq 0 \end{matrix}$  is a  $\mathbb{Q}H_*S^3$  is a

rational homology sphere but not an  $\mathbb{Z}HS^3$

Exercise:  $X$  a 4-mfd with boundary.

$Q_X$  is unimodular  $\iff \partial X$  is a disjoint union of  $\mathbb{Z}HS^3$ 's

**Theorem:**

Let  $X$  be a 4-mfd with no 1 or 3 handles, described by a framed link  $\mathcal{L}$ . Then

$$Q_X = \text{linking matrix}$$

proof idea:

Consider  $X_n(K) = n\text{-trace of } K$

$\hookrightarrow$  take  $n$ -framed 2-handle attached to  $K$

Generator for  $H_2(X_n(K))$ :  $\hat{F}$

take Seifert surface  $F$  for  $K$

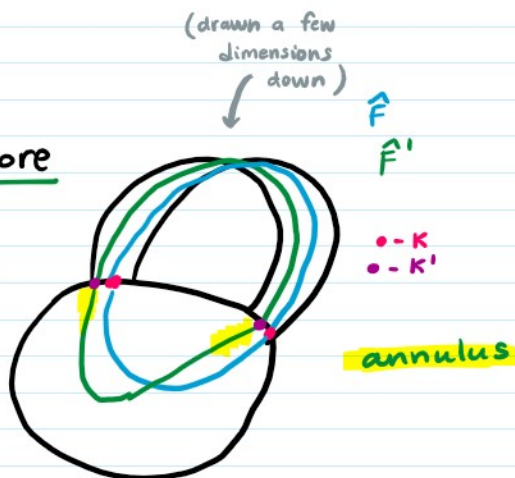
$$\hat{F} = (F \text{ pushed into } B^4) \cup (\text{core of 2-h})$$

What is  $\hat{F} \cdot \hat{F}$ ?

$$\hat{F}' = \text{parallel copy of core}$$

$\cup$   
annulus diving into  $B$

$\cup$   
 $F$  pushed (deeper) into  $B^4$



Exercise:  $\hat{F} \cdot \hat{F}' = n$

The parallel copy of core intersects  $S^3$  in  $K'$  having framing  $n$  means  $lk(K, K') = n$

Idea:  $lk(K, K') = n = F \cdot K'$  in  $S^3$

Now for a framed link:

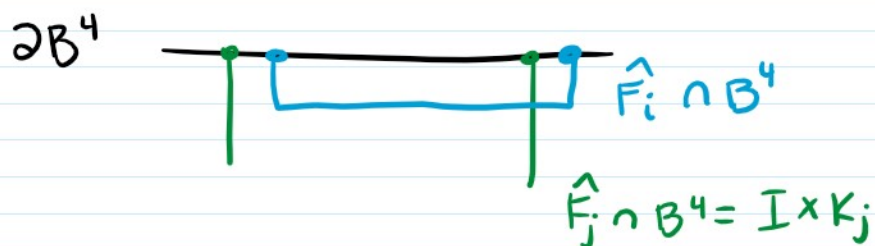
$n_i$ -framed  $K_i \rightsquigarrow \hat{F}_i$

$i=j$ :  $\hat{F}_i \cdot \hat{F}_i = n_i$  as before

$i \neq j$ : Assume  $\hat{F}_j$  deeper in  $B^4$  than  $\hat{F}_i$

i.e.  $\hat{F}_i \cap B^4$  lives in a collar  $I \times S^3$  of  $\partial B^4$

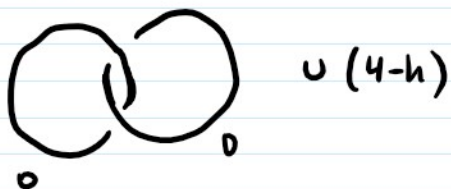
$\hat{F}_j$  vertical in this collar



$$\hat{F}_i \cdot \hat{F}_j = F_i \cdot K_j = \text{lk}(K_i, K_j)$$

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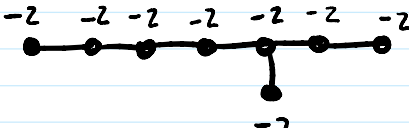
Example:




$\cup (4-h)$

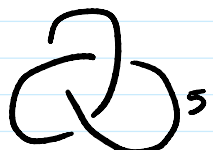



$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Ex:  $E_8 =$  

Simply connected 4-mfd  $X$  whose  $\partial$  is Poincaré Homology Sphere  
 and has intersection form  $Q_X = E_8$   
 plumbing of  $D^2$ -bundles over  $S^2$

Ex:   $D^2$  bundle over  $S^2$

Ex:   $Q_X = [5]$

$DX =$    $Q_{DX} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

**Q:** When do two Kirby diagrams represent the same 4-mfd?

**A:** KIRBY CALCULUS

**Theorem:** (Cerf)

Given any two handle decompositions for a compact mfd  $M^n$ , it's possible to get from one to another by a sequence of handleslides, creating/annihilating cancelling pairs of handles, and isotopies (within levels)



proof:

1-parameter families of Morse functions.

Compare to Heegaard moves (isotopies, handleslides, stabilization/destabilization)

### Cancelling Pairs:

$(k-1)$ -handle  $h_{k-1}$

$k$ -handle  $h_k$

attaching sphere of  $h_k$  intersects belt sphere of  $h_{k-1}$  transversely at a single point

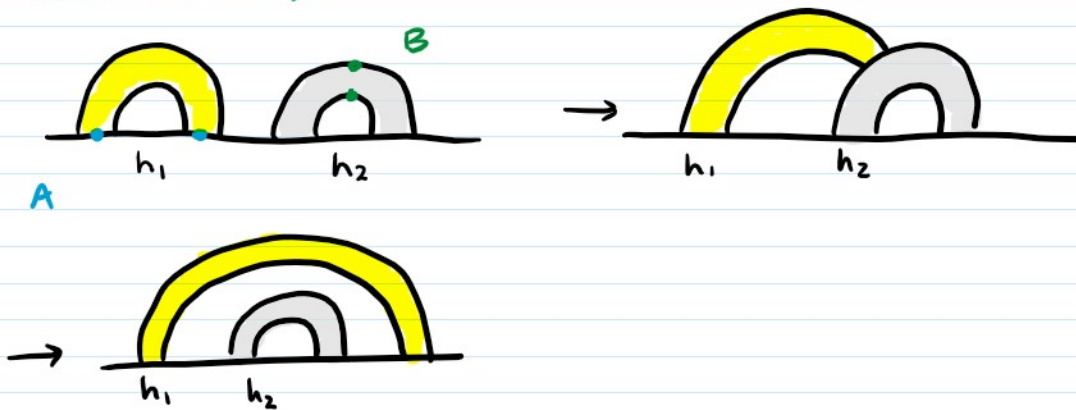
### Handleslide:

two  $k$ -handles  $h_1, h_2$  <sup>with indices  $k_1, k_2$</sup>   $(0 < k < n)$  attached to  $\partial X$

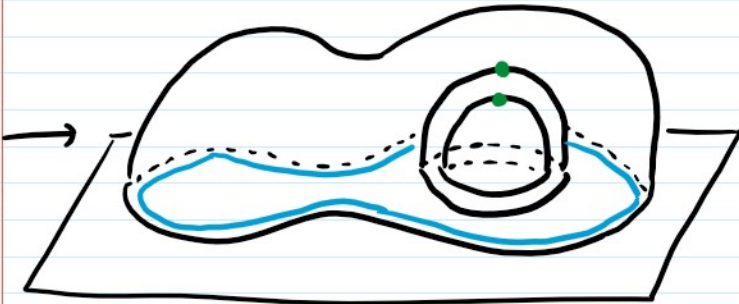
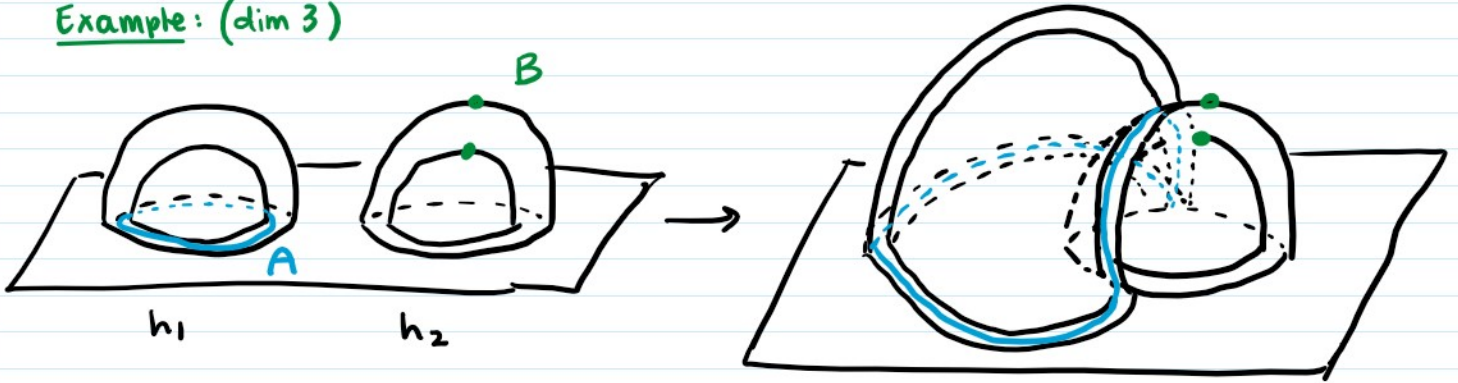
A handleslide of  $h_1$  over  $h_2$

- isotope attaching sphere  $A$  of  $h_1$  in  $\partial(X \cup h_2)$   
pushing it across belt sphere  $B$  of  $h_2$

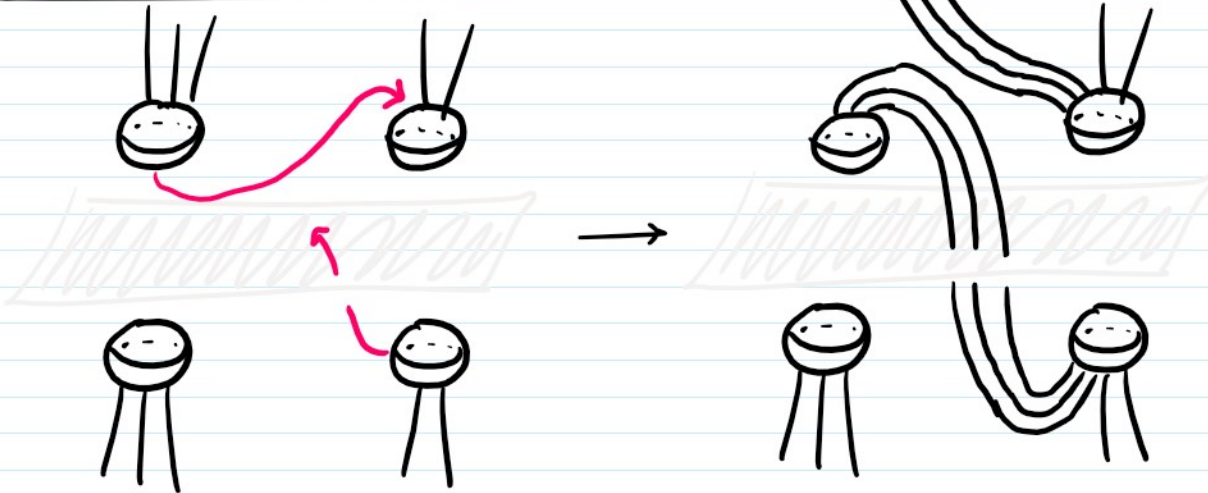
Example (dim. 2):



Example: (dim 3)



4-dim 1-handleslide:



Can use double strand notation to keep track of the framing!