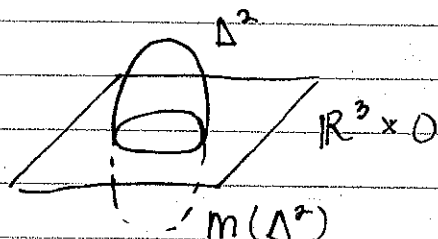


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Def:  $K \subset S^3 = \partial D^4$  is slice if  $\exists$  disk  $\Delta^2 \subset D^4 \ni \partial \Delta^2 = K$  &  
 $\exists$  tubular neighborhood  $\Delta^2 \times D^2 \ni (\Delta^2 \times D^2) \cap S^3 = K \times D^2$

Note: We can take  $(\Delta^2)^0 \subset \mathbb{R}^4$  where  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^3 \times 0$ .



$\Delta^2 \cup m(\Delta^2)$  is a smooth knotted  $S^2$  in  $S^4 \ni$   
 $\partial [\Delta^2 \cup m(\Delta^2) \cap (\mathbb{R}^3 \times 0)] = K$

Suppose  $K = (\text{knotted } S^2 \cap (\mathbb{R}^3 \times 0))$ .

Then  $\mathbb{R}^4 \cap \text{knotted } S^2 = \Delta^2$   
 $= \text{disk}$

K-manifold

$$\partial \Delta^2 = K$$

Def:  $F^k \subset M^m$  is locally flat at  $x \in F^k$  if  $\exists$  closed neighborhood  $N$  of  $x$  in  $M \ni (N, F^k \cap N) \cong (B^m, B^k)$   
 Thus, in slice definition,  $\Delta^2$  is locally flat.

Proposition:  $r: S^3 \rightarrow S^3$  orientation reversing homeomorphism

$$\sigma_{r(M)}(r(K)) = -\sigma_M(K)$$

Proposition 7:  $\sigma_{M_1 \# M_2}(K_1 \# K_2) = \sigma_{M_1}(K_1) \# \sigma_{M_2}(K_2)$

$$\begin{bmatrix} V_1 & 0 \\ 0 & V_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$V_1$

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$V_2$

Theorem 10:  $K$  slice  $\Rightarrow \sigma(K) = 0$ .

Lemma 10:  $K \# K^*$  slice

Corollary 12:  $\sigma_{M_1}(K) = \sigma_{M_2}(K)$

(so  $M_1, M_2$  are 2 different Seifert surfaces)

Proof:  $\sigma_{M_1}(K) - \sigma_{M_2}(K) = \sigma_{M_1}(K) + \sigma_{M_2}(r(K))$

$$= \sigma_{M_1 \# r(M_2)}(K \# r(K)) = 0 \quad \square$$

Section 8F: Concordance

Def: A concordance between  $K_0, K_1 \subset S^3$  is a locally flat

cylinder  $C \cong S^1 \times [0, 1]$  embedded in  $S^3 \times [0, 1] \ni$

$$S^1 \times \{0\} = K_0 \times \{0\}$$

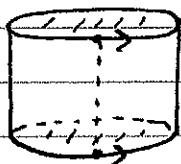
$$S^1 \times \{1\} = K_1 \times \{1\}$$

Def:  $K_0 \sim K_1 \iff K_0 \# K_1$  are concordant.

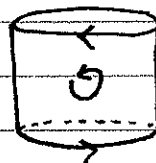
Lemma:  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation

Note: concordance preserves orientation

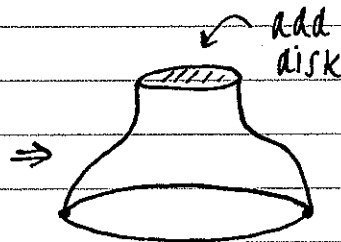
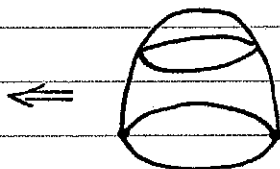
NOT Seifert  
Surface for  $O_1$



Unlike for Seifert  
Surface for LINKS



Note:  $K \sim O_1 \iff K$  slice



Equivalence classes: Let  $[J] = [K \mid K \sim J]$

$$[O_1] = [K \mid K \text{ slice}]$$

$$K \# K^* \in [O_1]$$

Let  $\mathcal{C}_1 = \{[K] \mid K \text{ oriented } S^1 \text{ in } S^3\}$

Define  $+$ :  $[J] + [K] = [J \# K]$

Theorem:  $(\mathcal{C}_1, +)$  is an abelian group.

- well-defined ✓

- associative ✓

- identity =  $[O_1]$  ✓

- abelian ✓

- inverses (given by concordance) ✓  $[K] + [K^*] = [O_1]$

Lemma: If  $K \in [J]$ , then  $\sigma(K) = \sigma(J)$

$\uparrow$  homomorphism on  $\mathcal{C}_1$

$\sigma: \mathcal{C}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  homomorphism