

# 4-Manifolds and Kirby calculus

## Exercise sheet 6

### Exercise 1.

- (a) The lens spaces  $L(p, q)$  and  $L(p, q + np)$  are orientation-preserving diffeomorphic for any integer  $n$ .
- (b) The lens spaces  $L(p, q)$  and  $L(p, q')$  are orientation-preserving diffeomorphic if  $qq' \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$  holds.
- (c) Moreover,  $L(-p, q)$ ,  $L(p, -q)$  and  $-L(p, q)$  are orientation-preserving diffeomorphic.  
**Remark:** The relations of (a), (b) and (c) provide the complete classification of lens spaces up to orientation-preserving diffeomorphism.
- (d) Show that (+5)-surgery along the right-handed trefoil knot yields a lens space.
- (e) Show that (+6)-surgery along the right-handed trefoil knot yields the connected sum of two lens spaces.

### Exercise 2.

A 3-manifold  $M(g, n; r_1, \dots, r_k)$  with  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $g \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $r_i \in \mathbb{Q}$  with a surgery diagram of the form from Figure 1 is called **Seifert fibered 3-manifold** with **Seifert invariants**  $(g, n; r_1, \dots, r_k)$ .

- (a) Show that  $M(g, n; 0, \dots, 0)$  is an  $S^1$ -bundle over  $\Sigma_g$  with Euler number  $n$ .
- (b) Show that one can assume that  $r_i \geq 1$  holds.
- (c) Construct a Kirby diagram of a compact 4-manifold  $W$  with  $\partial W = M(g, n; r_1, \dots, r_k)$ .
- (d) Show that lens spaces are Seifert fibered. What are the Seifert invariants?
- (e) Construct an integer surgery diagram with only even coefficients of the lens space  $L(8, 3)$ .
- (f) Show that  $r$ -surgery along the right-handed trefoil knot is a Seifert fibered space. What are the Seifert invariants?

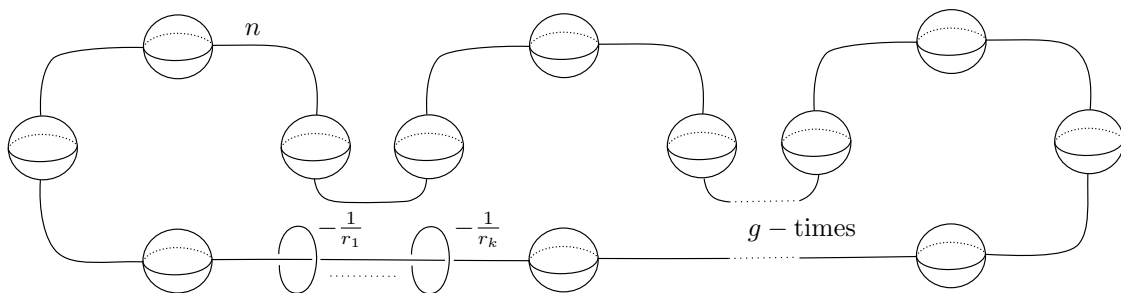


Abbildung 1: A surgery diagram of a Seifert-fibered 3-manifold.

**Exercise 3.**

The **property  $R$  theorem** (proved by David Gabai) states that if  $S^1 \times S^2$  can be obtained as 0-surgery along a knot  $K$  in  $S^3$ , then  $K$  is the unknot.

- (a) Use the property  $R$  theorem to show that any 4-dimensional homology sphere with a handle decomposition with exactly one 2-handle and no 3-handle must already be diffeomorphic to the 4-sphere  $S^4$ .

The **generalized property  $R$  conjecture** (which is unknown to be true) states that any surgery diagram for  $\#_n S^1 \times S^2$  along an  $n$ -component link  $L$  in  $S^3$  can be transformed into the 0-framed  $n$ -component unlink by 2-handle slides.

- (b) Show that if the generalized property  $R$  conjecture is true, then any 4-dimensional homology sphere with a handle decomposition without 3-handles is already diffeomorphic to  $S^4$ .
- (c) Show that the surgery diagram from Figure 2 can be transformed into the standard surgery diagram of  $\#_2 S^1 \times S^2$  by 2-handle slides.
- (d) Show that all components of a framed  $n$ -component link representing a surgery diagram of  $\#_n S^1 \times S^2$  must be 0-framed and algebraically unlinked.
- (e) Describe a completely 3-dimensional statement equivalent to the smooth 4-dimensional Poincaré conjecture.

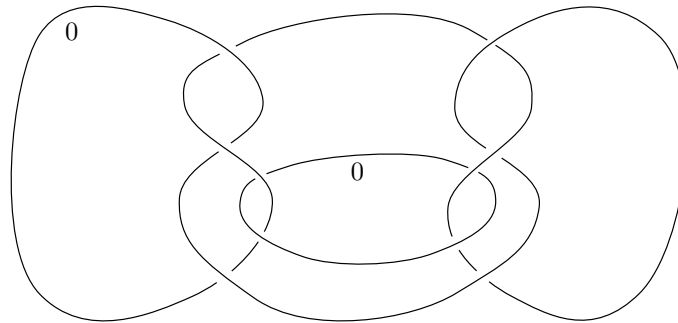


Abbildung 2: A surgery diagram of  $\#_2 S^1 \times S^2$ .