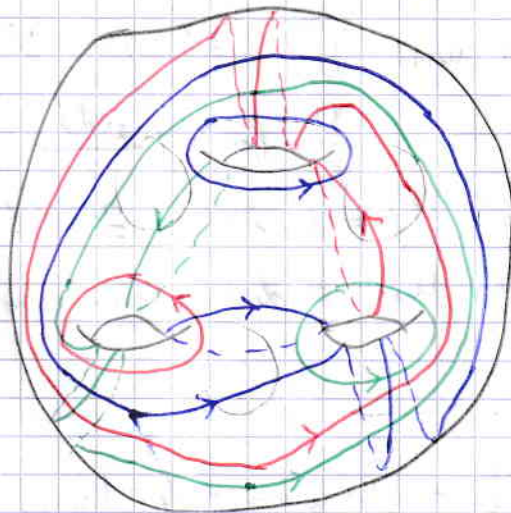
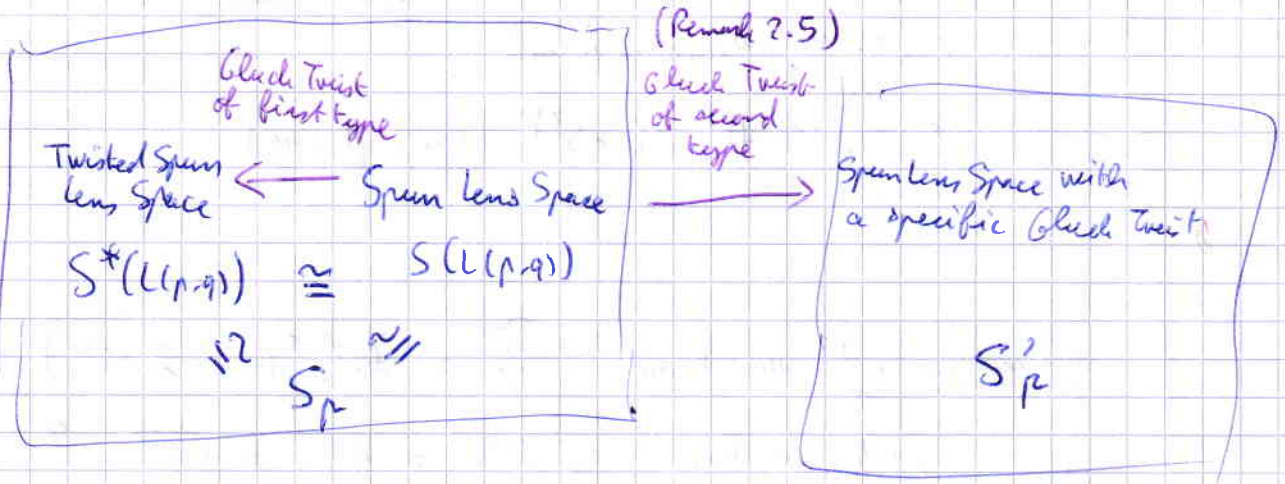


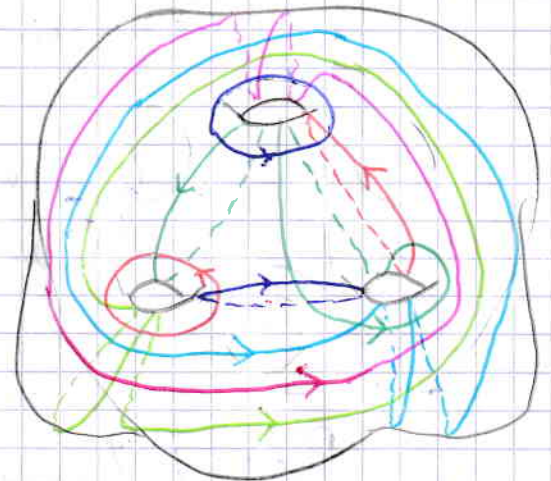
# Group 1: Genus 3 Trisections

Ref: [Meier, Trisections and spin 4-manifolds]



Regular 6-chain  
+ curves  $(1/q, 1/q, 1/q)$

$(p=2)$   
 $(q=1)$



Twisted 6-chain  
+ curves  $(1/q, 1/q, 1/q)$

Conj: Let  $X^4$  be a irreducible 4-manifold with a genus 3 trisection  $(B, 1)$  more precisely, then  $X$  is one of the previous  $S_p$  or  $S'_p$  for  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ .

Th: (Pao, Prop 2-3)

$p$  odd  $\Rightarrow S'_p \cong S_p$

$p$  even  $\Rightarrow S'_p \not\cong S_p$   
not homotopy equivalent

$\chi(S_p) = 2$

Facts:  $\pi_1(S_p) = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$

$H_2(S_p) = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$   
( $\Rightarrow$  no intersection form)

$\tilde{S}_p = \#^{p-1}(S^2 \times S^2)$  (universal cover and  $p$ -fold)

$\chi(S'_p) = ?$   
For  $p$  even,

Question:

- $\pi_1(S'_p) = ?$
- $H_2(S'_p) = ?$
- $\tilde{S}'_p = ?$

Questions: Do we have  $\tilde{S}'_p = \#^{p-1}(S^2 \times S^2)$  ?

Do we have  $S^2 \tilde{\times} S^2 = \mathbb{C}P^2 \# \overline{\mathbb{C}P^2}$  ?

Does this check out with  $\tilde{S}_p = \#^{p-1}(S^2 \times S^2)$

$\tilde{S}'_p$  for  $p$  odd ?

Do we have  $(S^2 \tilde{\times} S^2) \# (S^2 \tilde{\times} S^2) \cong (S^2 \times S^2) \# (S^2 \times S^2)$  ?

$\hookrightarrow$  Does this imply that the decomposition is not unique ?

Ref: [Aranda, Moeller - Diagrams of  $\ast$ -trisections, Section 7]

A diagram with a regular  $b$ -chain and three slopes  $\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{a}, \frac{p}{q}$  (at Farey distance  $\pm 1$ ) trisects a manifold  $X$ :

- $X \cong S_p$  if  $(\frac{p}{q}, \frac{p}{q}, \frac{p}{q})$
- $X$  reducible (ie  $\#$  of  $S^1 \times S^3, S^2 \times S^2, \mathbb{C}P^2, \overline{\mathbb{C}P^2}$ ) if at least two slopes are distinct.

Project: Generalise this to twisted  $b$ -chains with

- $(\frac{p}{q}, \frac{p}{q}, \frac{p}{q})$  and  $p$  even (and  $q=1$ ), i.e. describe  $S'_p$  better
- other cases  $(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{a}, \frac{p}{q})$ : Is  $X$  still reducible ?  
(If not, it may disprove the conjecture)

Idea: From a given candidate  $X^4$  with a  $(3,1)$ -trisection  $T$ .

- Compute  $\pi_1(X)$  (known to be cyclic) from  $T$ 
  - If  $\pi_1(X) = \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $X$  is not  $S_p$  nor  $S'_p$  and disproves the conjecture. ✓
  - If  $\pi_1(X) = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ , search if  $X = S_p$  or  $X = S'_p$
- Compute a trisection  $\tilde{T}$  of  $\tilde{X}$  ( $p$ -fold and universal cover of  $X$ )  
(How ??)
- From  $\tilde{T}$ , compute invariants of  $\tilde{X}$  such as  $H_2(\tilde{X})$ , Intersection Form ...  
to recognise  $\tilde{X}$ 
  - If  $\tilde{X} \neq \#^{p-1}(S^2 \times S^2) = \tilde{S}_p$   
and  $\tilde{X} \neq \tilde{S}'_p (= ??)$ ,  
then  $X$  disproves the conjecture
  - If  $\tilde{X} = \tilde{S}_p$  or  $\tilde{X} = \tilde{S}'_p$ , can you conclude somehow by re-quotienting that  $X = S_p$  or  $X = S'_p$ ?  
(No idea)

Related Goal: Find promising examples

- Twisted 6-chain with Farey triplet  $\neq S'_p$
- $(3,1)$  trisections obtained by double branched covers on spin of 2-bridge knots.
- ... ?