

Branched Coverings, Degenerations, and Related Topics
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**Dehn surgery along A'Campo's divide knots,
Lens spaces and plane curves**

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- 4.** Results (old and new)

Lens space surgery is related to plane curves of special type

§0. Short survey of this talk

Lens space $L(p, q)$ is a “simple” 3-manifold, the quotient space of S^3 ($\subset \mathbf{C}^2$) by the cyclic action of $\mathbf{Z}/p\mathbf{Z}$:

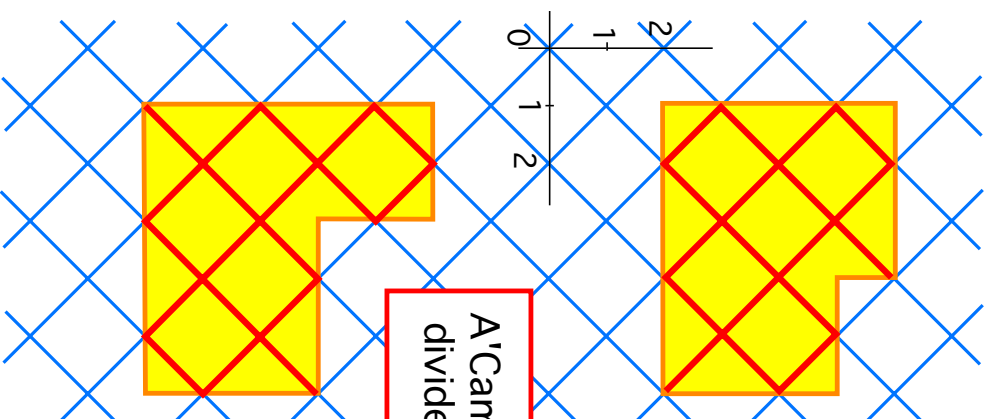
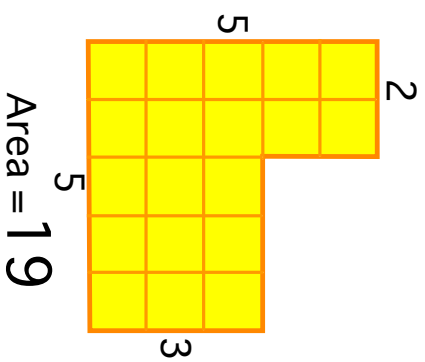
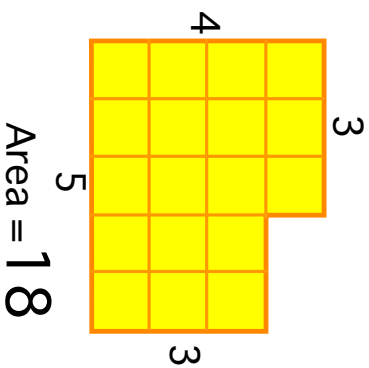
$$\zeta \circ (z, w) = (\zeta z, \zeta^q w),$$

where $\zeta = \exp(2\pi\sqrt{-1}/p)$.

$L(p, q)$ is obtained by gluing two solid tori along the boundaries.

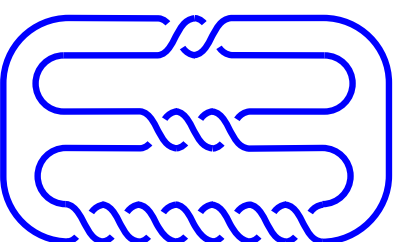
Lens space surgery is a researching area in low-dimensional topology, asking why (how)

such a simple manifold can be obtained from complicated knots by surgery *unexpectedly*. It is 30 \sim 40 years old.



A'Campo's
divide knot Theory

18-surgery is
 $L(18, -7)$



$P(-2, 3, 7)$

19-surgery is
 $L(19, -7)$

Study lens space surgery by plane curves.

My purpose is to show

Lens space surgery is related to plane curves of special type

By another approach (Heegard Floer homology, \mathbf{C} -links by Rudolph
...), it is proved:

Lemma. [Hedden]

Any knots of lens space surgery is intersection of an algebraic surface in \mathbf{C}^2 and B^4 . ■

My study is more concrete, to know

- the construction of each knot of lens space surgery,
- the combinaiton of blow-downs,
- the set of lens space surgeries. ...

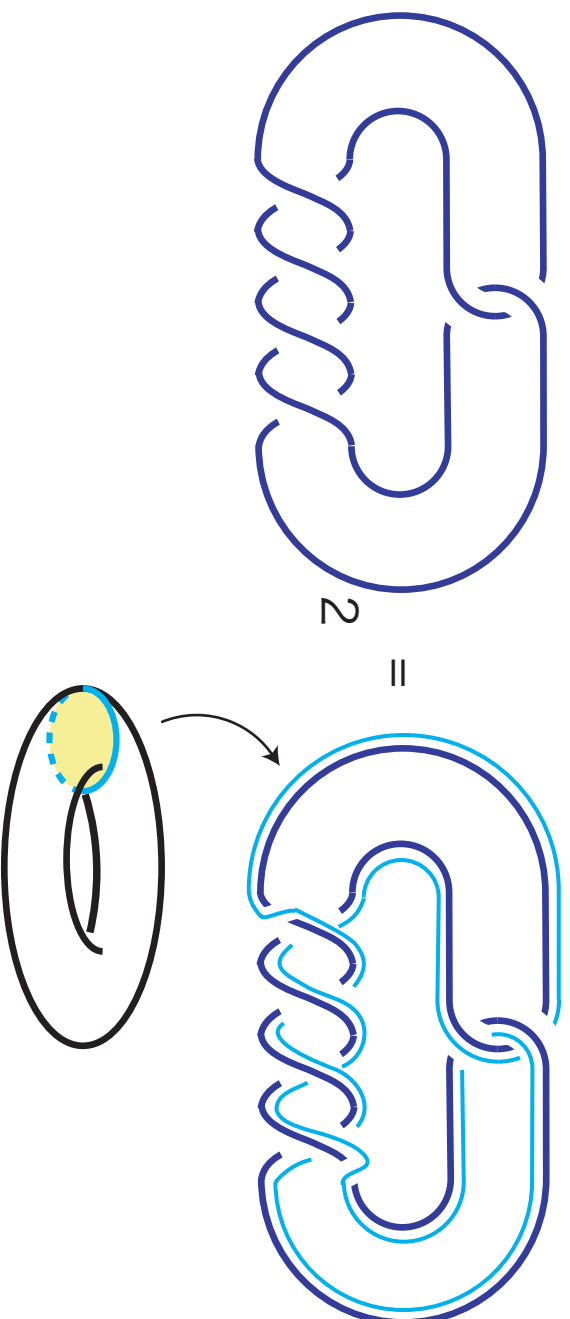
§1. Dehn surgery

Dehn surgery = Cut and paste of a solid torus.

$$(K; p) := (S^3 \setminus \text{open nbhd}M(K)) \cup_g \text{Solid torus.}$$

Coefficient (in \mathbf{Z}) “framing” = a parallel *curve* of K ,
or the linking number.

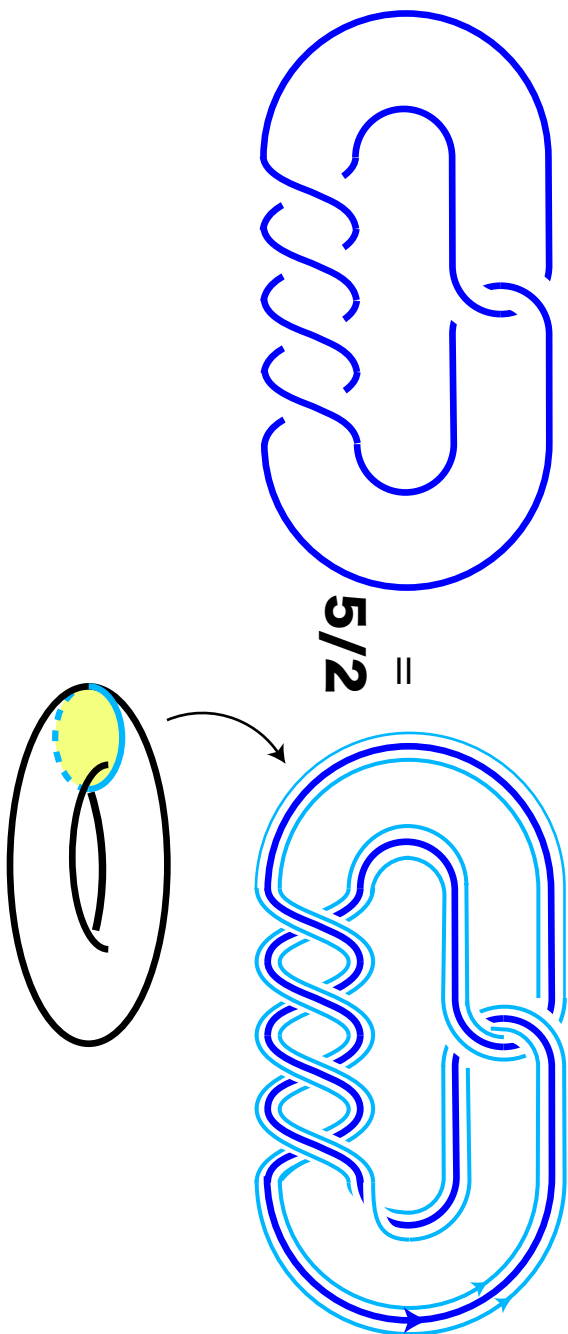
Solit torus is reglued such as “the meridian comes to the parallel”



Coefficient can be p/q in \mathbf{Q} : the meridian comes to

$$p[m_K] + q[l_K] \quad \text{in } H_1(\partial N(K)) = \mathbf{Z} \oplus \mathbf{Z}$$

where m_K (and l_K) is the meridian, (preferred longitude) of K .



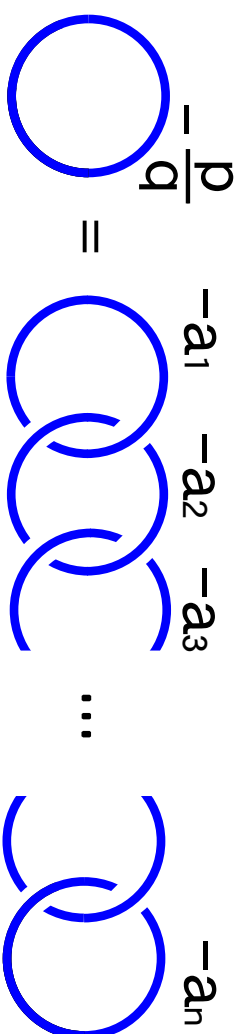
Thm. [Lickorish '62]

Any closed connected oriented 3-manifold M is obtained by a framed link (L, p) in S^3 , i.e., $M = (L; p)$,

$$(L, p) = (K_1, p_1) \cup (K_2, p_2) \cup \dots \cup (K_n, p_n).$$

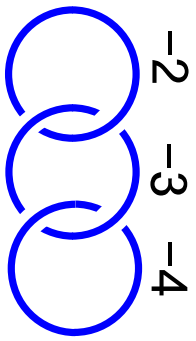
Framed Links for Lens space $L(p, q)$

$$\frac{p}{q} = a_1 \frac{1}{1} \frac{1}{1} \frac{1}{1} \dots \frac{1}{a_n} \quad (a_i > 1)$$

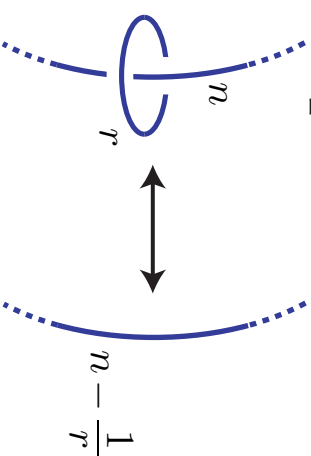


$L(18, 11)$ ($= L(18, 5)$)

$$\frac{18}{11} = 2 - \frac{1}{1}, \quad \frac{18}{5} = 4 - \frac{1}{3 - \frac{1}{2}}$$



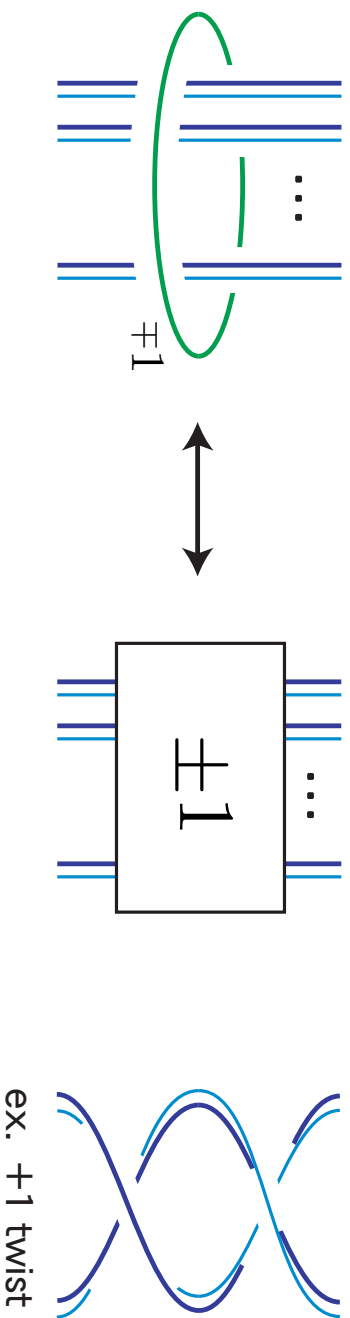
For $n \in \mathbf{Z}, r \in \mathbf{Q}$



Thm. Kirby calculus ([Fenn-Rourke] ver.)

The 3-manifolds are homeo. $(L; p) \cong (L'; p')$

\Leftrightarrow framed links $(L, p), (L', p')$ are moved to each other as below and isotopy:

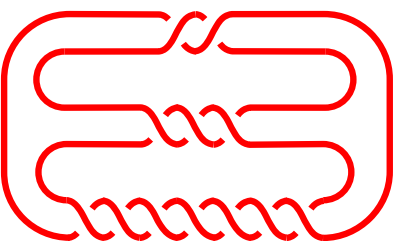
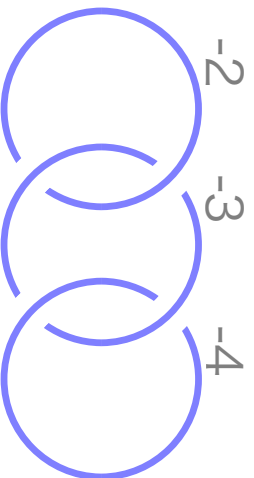


Note: This (with a suitable sign) is **blow-up/down**, related to resolution of the singularity.

The **green curve** is the exceptional curve.

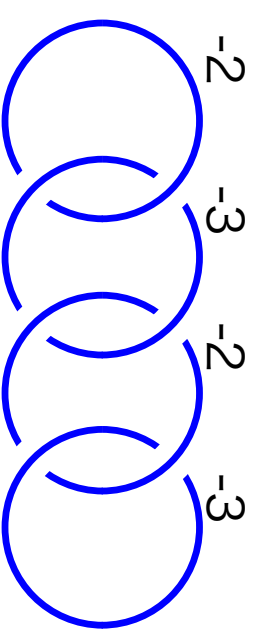
It is not easy to find/prove “unexpected” lens space surgery!

18-surgery is



$P(-2,3,7)$

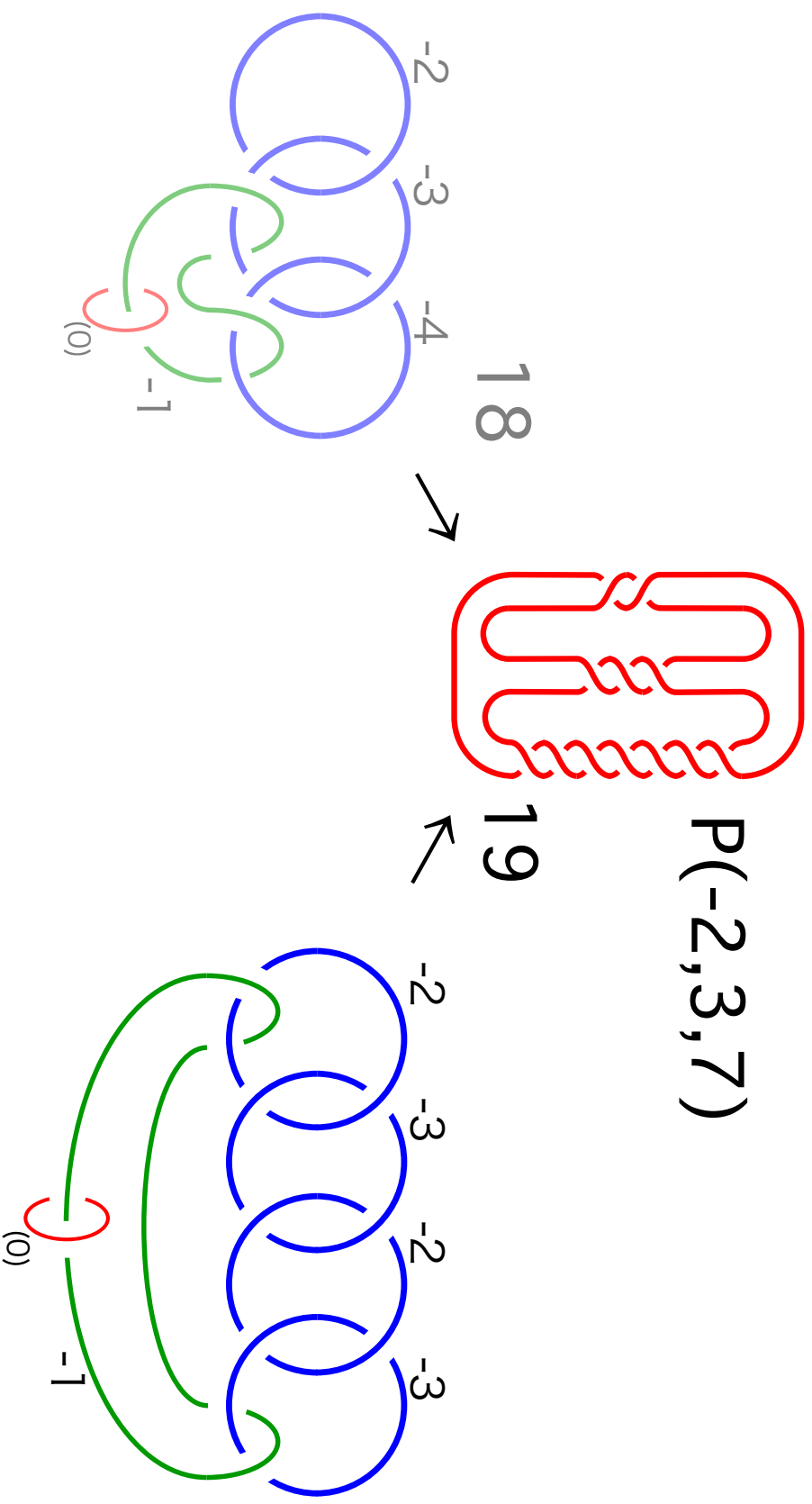
19-surgery is



Start of my research

What is *the best method* to prove it?

One answer ($[Y]$):
 blue \cup green = S^3 , and red becomes the knot.

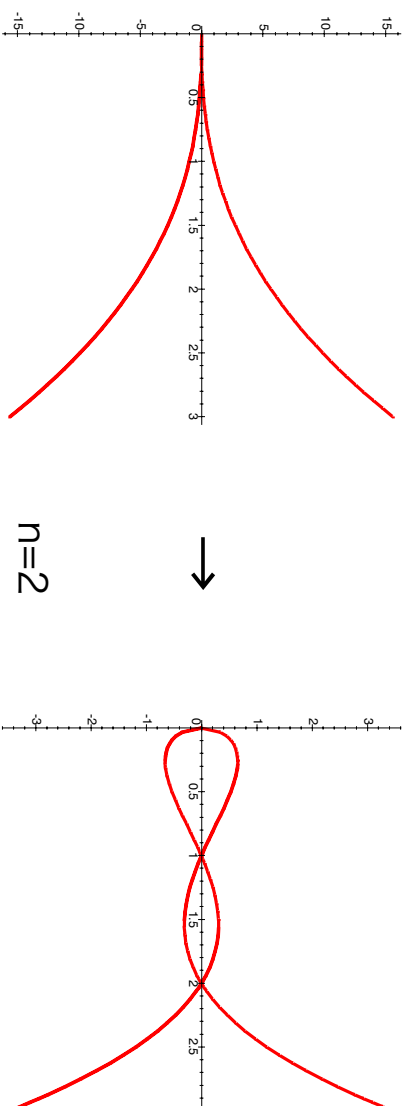


Only blow-downs (4 times)! (\Rightarrow Resolution of singularity).

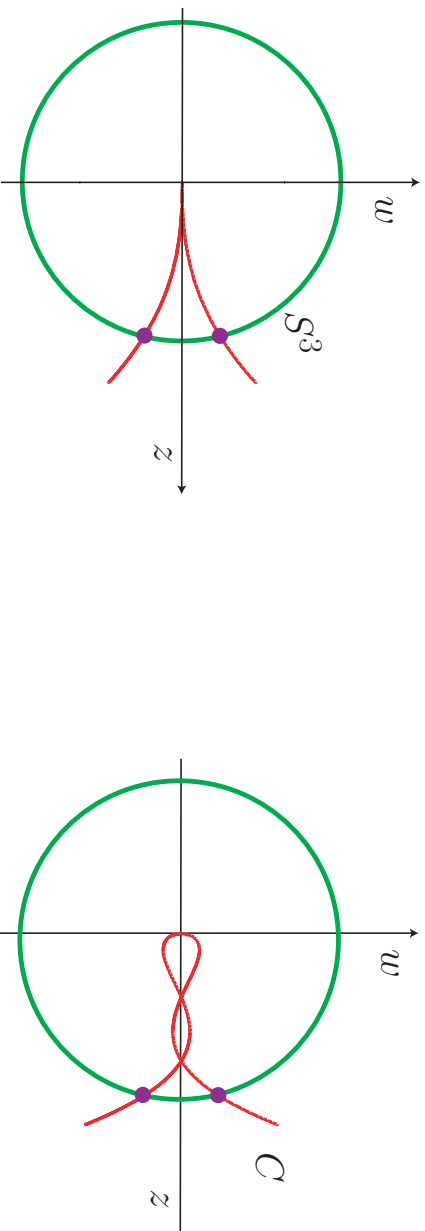
§2. A'Campo's divide knots, came from singularity theory.

In \mathbf{R}^2 , purterb $y^2 = x^{2n+1}$ (“ A_{2n} -sing.”) and Draw the plane curve

$$C : y^2 = x(x - \epsilon)^2(x - 2\epsilon)^2 \cdots (x - n\epsilon)^2$$



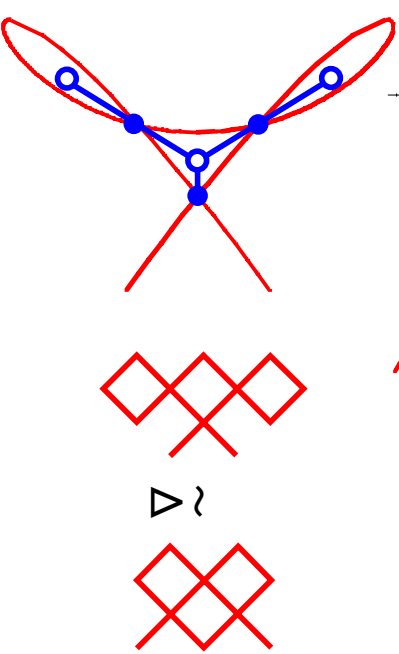
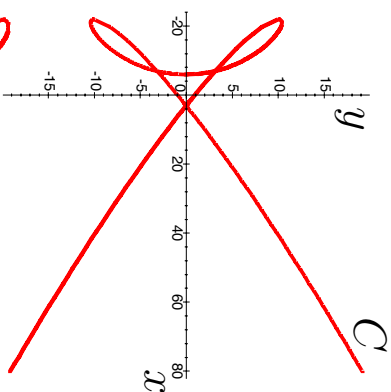
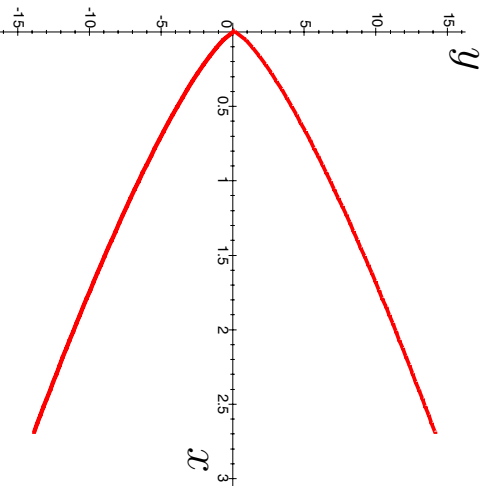
In \mathbf{C}^2 , $C \cap S^3$ is a knot (or a link). For small ϵ , it is $T(2, 2n + 1)$.



Another example [T. Urabe]

In \mathbf{R}^2 , perturb $y^4 = x^3$ (“ E_6 -sing.”) and Draw the plane curve

$$C : (y^2 + \epsilon(6x + 32\epsilon^2))^2 - (x + 7\epsilon^2)^2(x + 22\epsilon^2) = 0$$



The knot is $T(4, 3)$. We can see E_6 Dynkin diagram.

A'Campo generalized the correspondence

[a generic plane Curve \$P\$](#) \Rightarrow [a Link \$L\(P\)\$ in \$S^3\$](#)

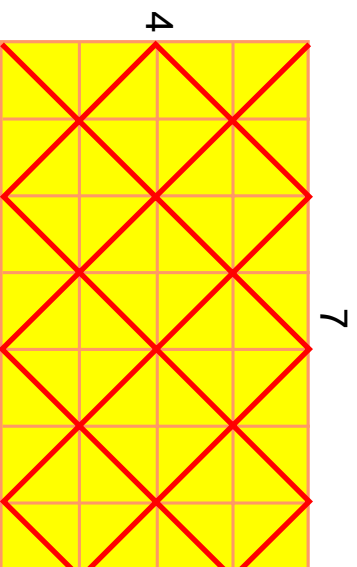
A'Campo's divide knots

Ex. Torus links [Goda-Hirasawa-Y, (Gusein-Zade, etc.)]

Rectangle curve $p \times q \Rightarrow T(p, q)$

(PL line with slope ± 1 in the rectangle.)

ex. $(p, q) = (7, 4)$



It has $\frac{(p-1)(q-1)}{2}$ double points, in general.

A'Campo's *original* construction.

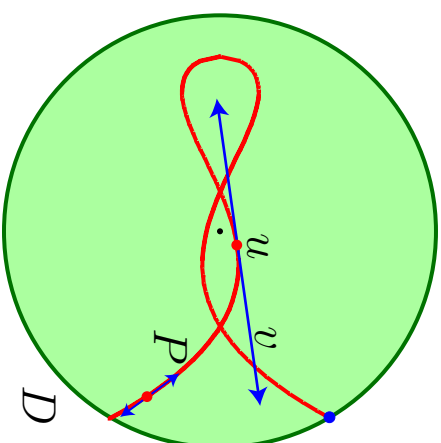
a generic plane Curve P

\Rightarrow

a Link $L(P)$ in S^3

A'Campo's divide knots

For “generic” (No self-tangency) proper curve P in the unit disk D ,



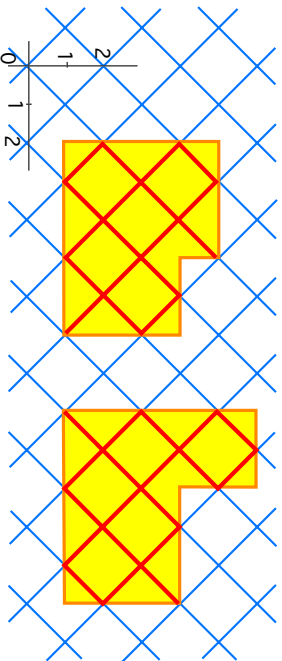
$$S^3 = \{(u, v) \in TD \mid u \in D, v \in T_u D, |u|^2 + |v|^2 = 1\}$$

$$L(P) := \{(u, v) \in TD \mid u \in P, v \in T_u P, |u|^2 + |v|^2 = 1\} \subset S^3.$$

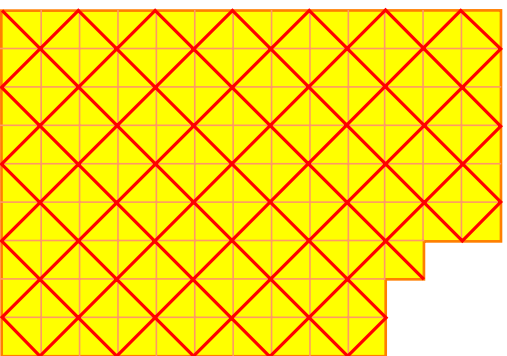
We use its visualization by [Hirasawa].

Classification of curves

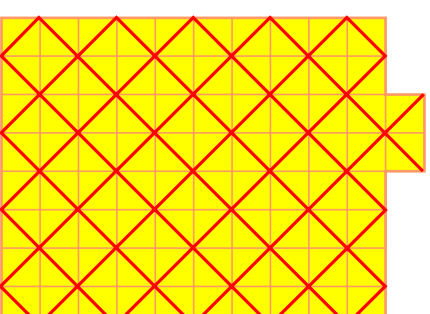
(1) L-shaped curve:



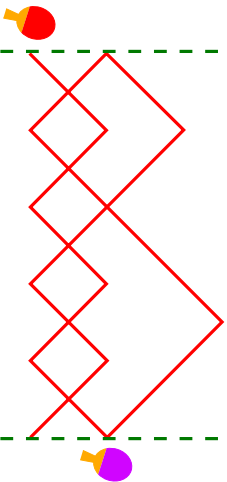
(2) generalized L-shaped curve,



(3) “凸” type curve

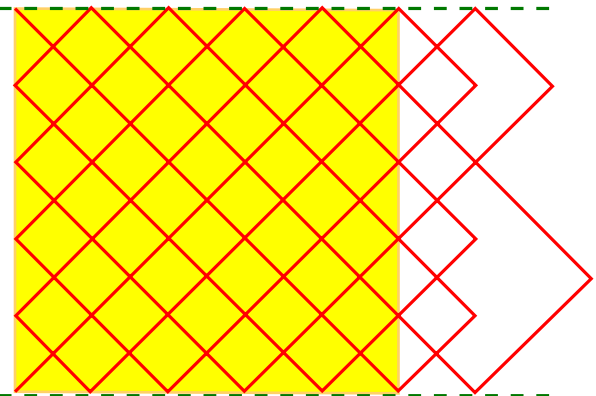


Assume: edges are vertical or horizontal, vertices are in $\mathbf{Z}^2 \subset \mathbf{R}^2$.



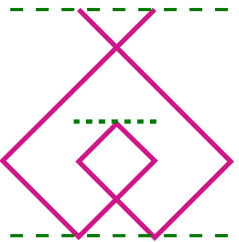
(4) “Pingpong type”

if (w.r.t at least one direction) max/min points are in the same level, up to isotopy.



⇐ This is an example of Non-pingpong curve.

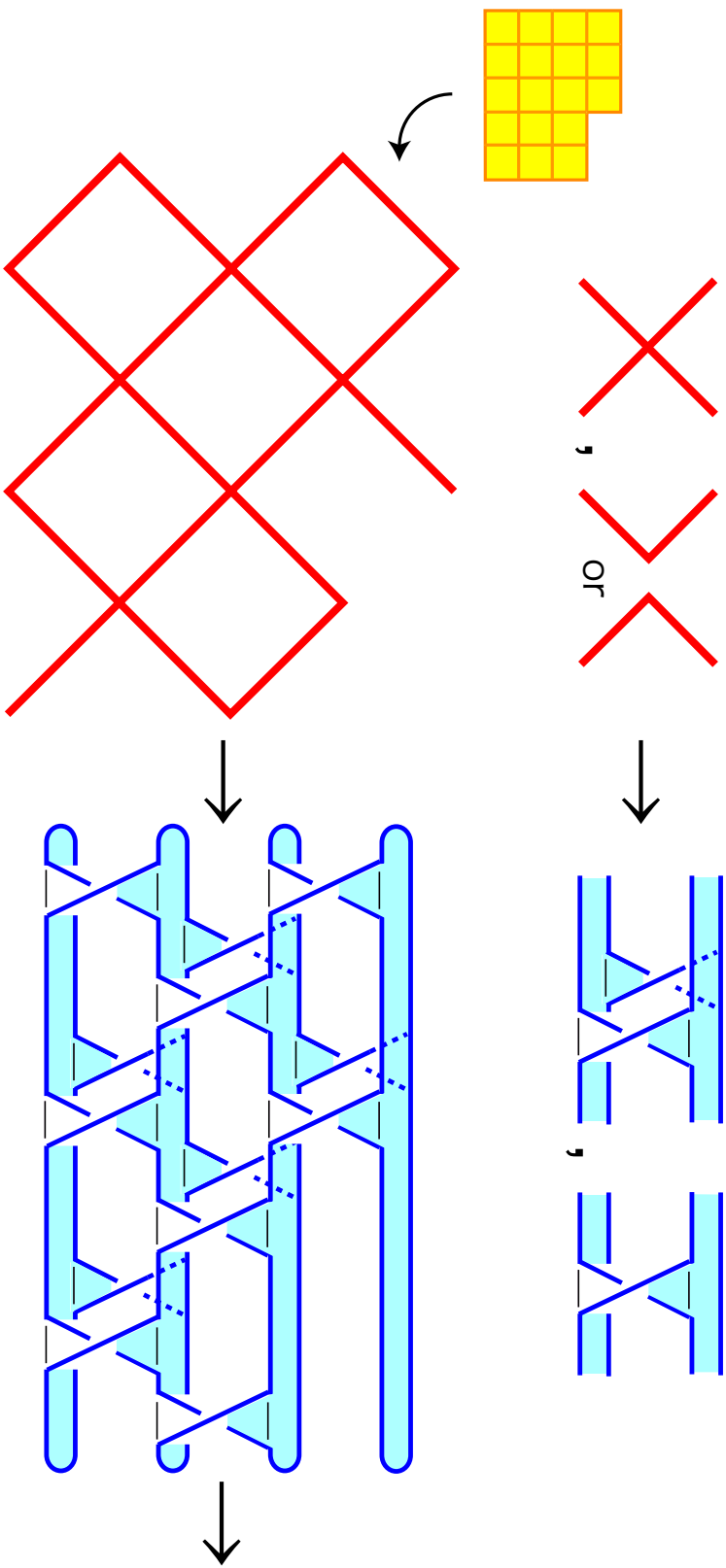
(w.r.t horizontal nor vertical direction)



generalized L-shaped, -type curves are pingpong type.

Curve P **Knot L(P)**. We get the braid presentation.

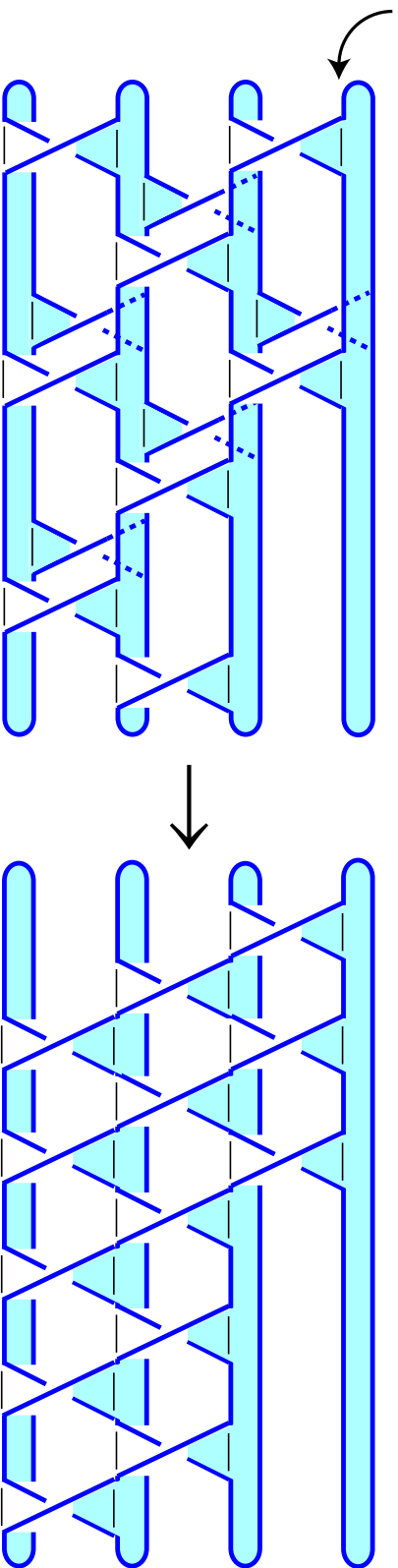
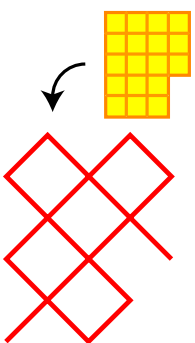
[Couture-Perron] only for pingpong curves ([Hirasawa] extends it)



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The closure is $P(-2, 3, 7)$, genus = 5.

and the fiber surface.



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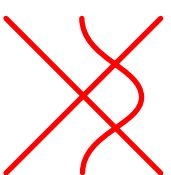
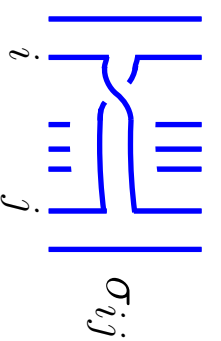
We define a braid

$$W_n := \sigma_{n-1}\sigma_{n-2} \cdots \sigma_2\sigma_1, \quad \text{“}1/n \text{ twist”}$$

$P(-2, 3, 7)$ is presented by $W_4^3 W_3^2$.

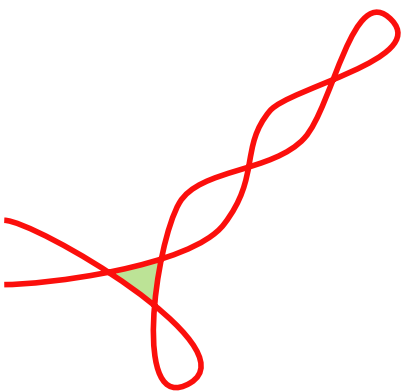
Basics on Divide knots [N.A'Campo, L.Rudolph,..]

- (0) $L(P)$ is a knot ($\#L(P) = 1$) $\Leftrightarrow P$ is an immersed arc.
- (1) The genus of knot $L(P) = \#$ double points of P .
- (2) $lk(L(P_1), L(P_2)) = \#(P_1 \cap P_2)$.
- (3) Every divide knot $L(P)$ is *fibred*.
- (4) Any divide knot is a closure of *strongly quasi-positive* braid.
i.e., product of some σ_{ij} .
- (5) $P_1 \sim P_2$ by Δ -move $\Rightarrow L(P_1) = L(P_2)$. L is *not injective*.

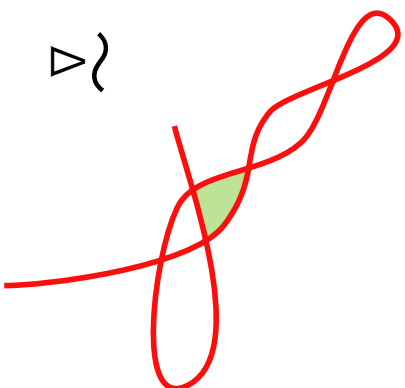


Δ -move on plane curves

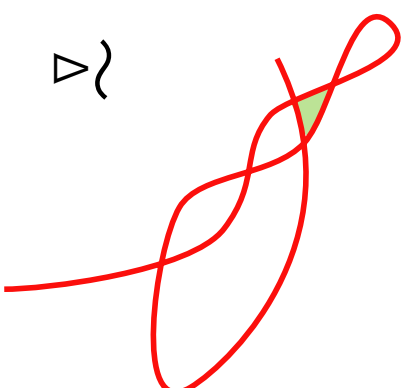
These curves present the same knot $P(-2, 3, 7)$
(Thanks to Hirasawa)



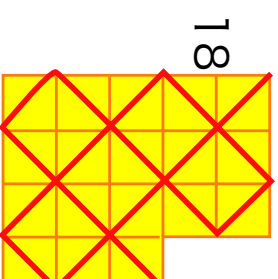
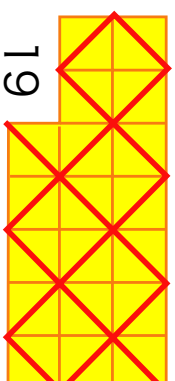
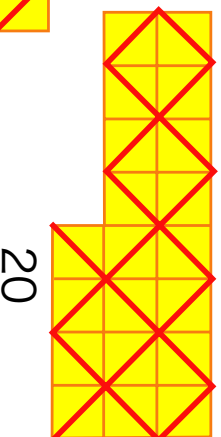
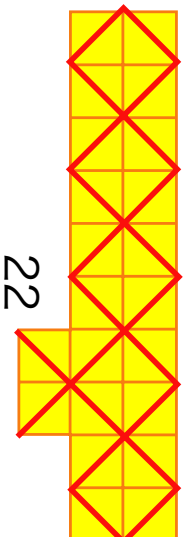
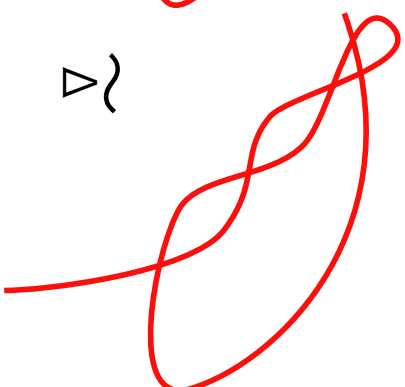
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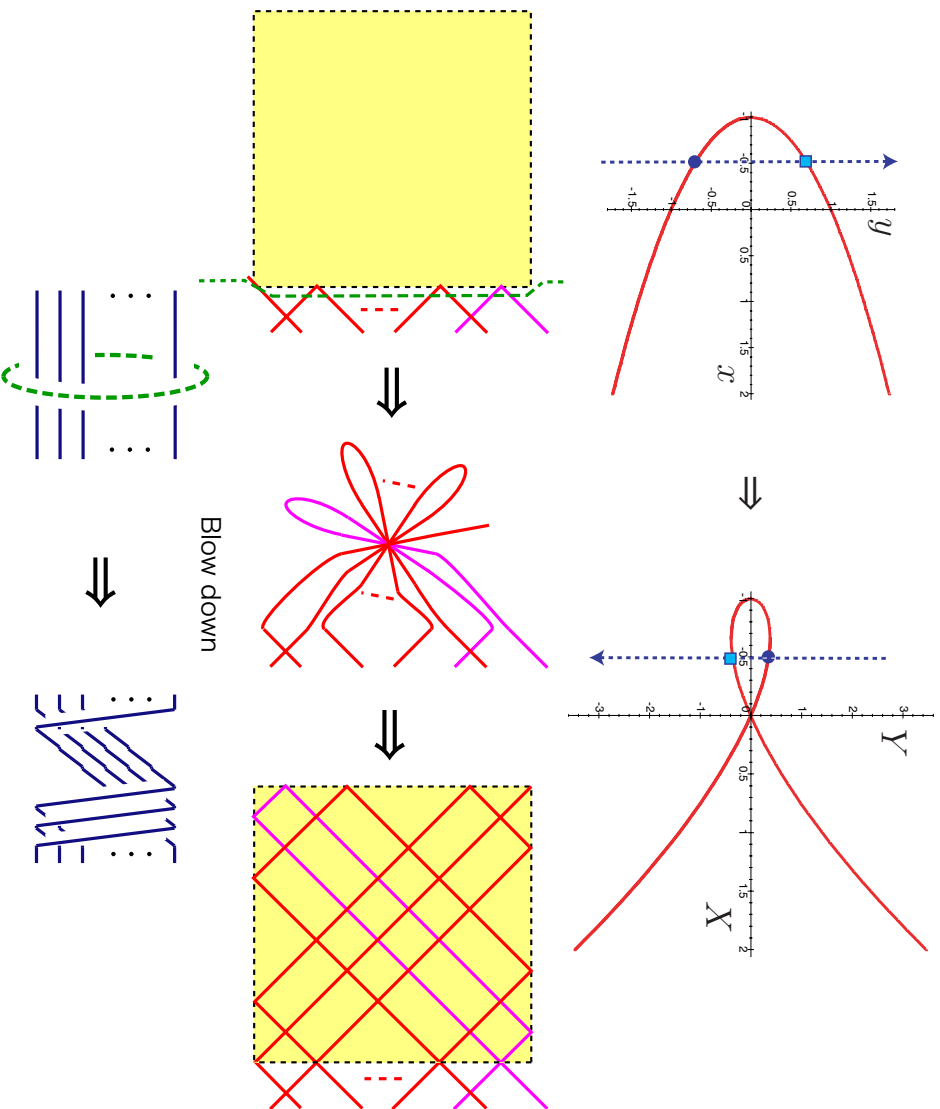


Lemma. [Y]

“Adding a square” corresponds to a right-handed **full-twist**

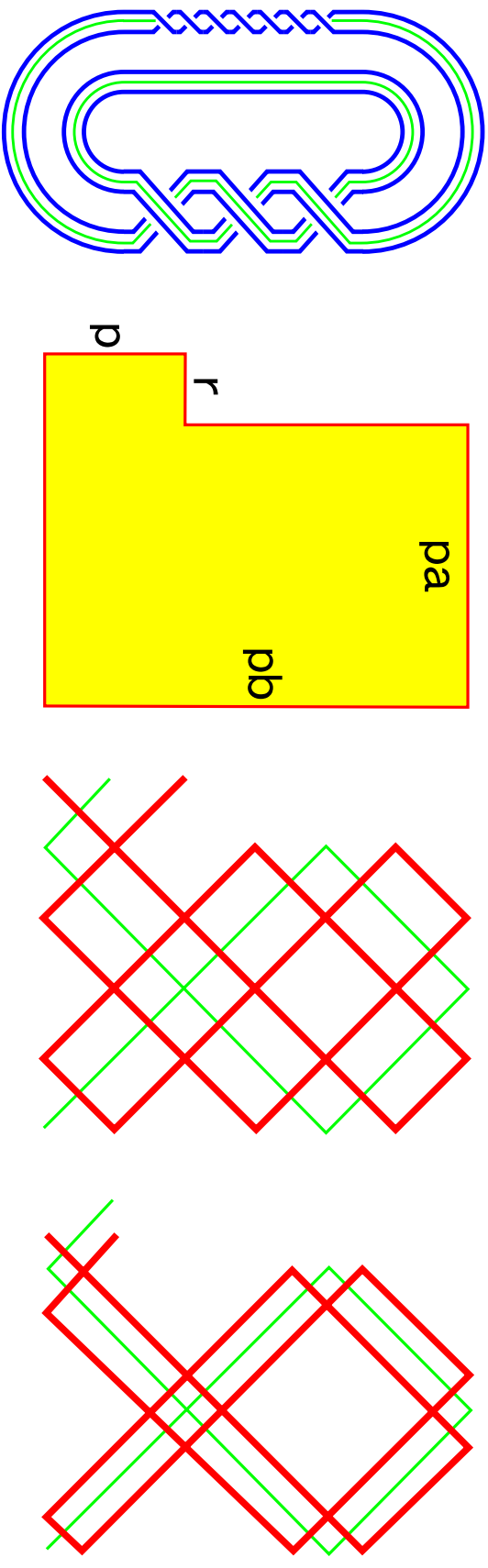
= **blow-down** = coord. transform: $(x, y) = (X, Y/X)$.

(ex. $y^2 = x + \epsilon$ becomes $Y^2 = X^2(X + \epsilon)$)



Cable knots of torus knots

$C(T(a, b); p, pab + r)$ is represented, (ex. $C(T(2, 3); 2, 13)$)



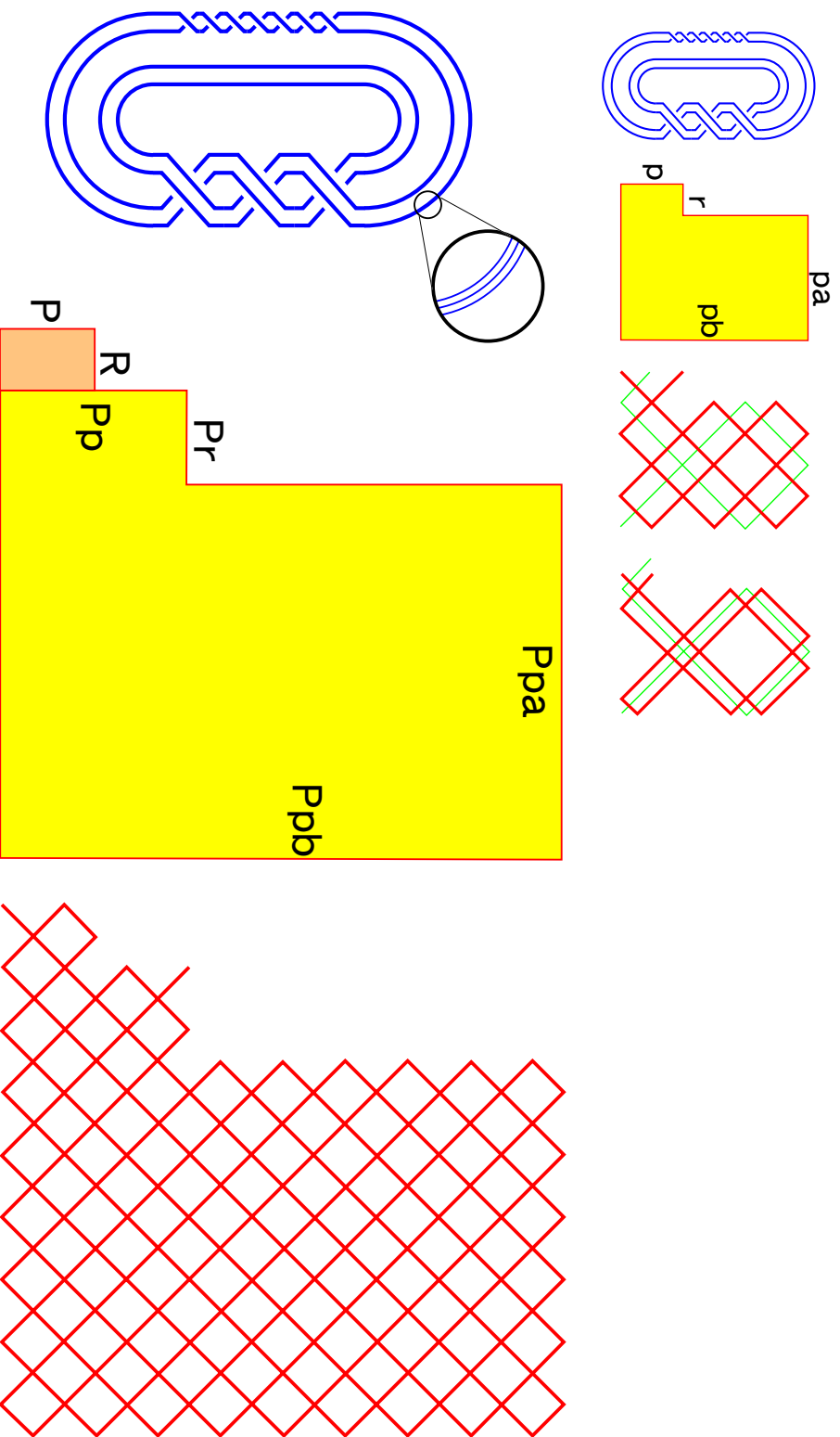
It is algebraic: From $T(a, b) = \begin{cases} x = t^a \\ y = t^b \end{cases}$ to $\begin{cases} x = t^{ap} \\ y = t^{bp} + t^{bp+r}, \text{ OR} \end{cases}$

$$y = x^{\frac{b}{a}} \left(1 + x^{\frac{r}{ap}} \right)$$

Puiseux pair is $\{(b, a), (bp + r, p)\}$.

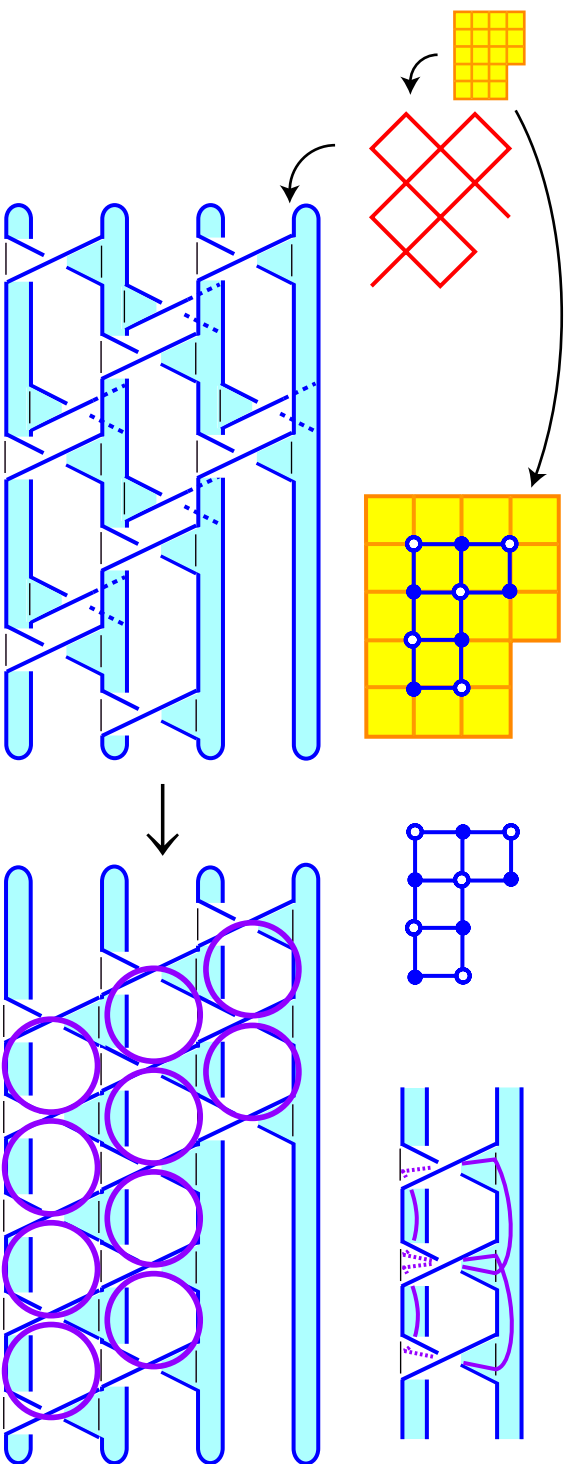
More iterated cables (\Rightarrow generalized L-shaped)

$C(C(T(a, b); p, pab + r); P, Pp(pab + r) + R)$ is represented,
(ex. $C(C(T(2, 3); 2, 13); 3, 80)$), $y = x_a^b \left(1 + x_{ap}^r \left(1 + x_{app}^R \right) \right)$.



Lemma. Decomposition of monodromy

For an (generalized) L-shaped divide P , The monodromy φ of the fiber surface of $L(P)$ can be decomposed as a product of some positive Dehn twists along the “grapes” of P .



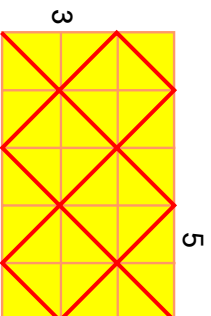
Middle disks are Murasugi-disks. Each floor is obtained by plumbings. Thus the monodromy is the product (from the bottom and the left).

§3. Lens space surgery “Which $(K; p)$ is a lens space?”

ex.1 [’71 L. Moser] **Torus knots.**

$$p = ab \pm 1 \Rightarrow (T(a, b); p) \cong L(p, -b^2).$$

$K := T(3, 5)$, then $(K; 16) = L(16, 7)$ and $(K; 14) = L(14, 5)$.



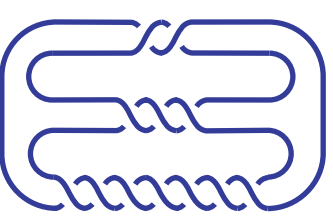
ex.2 [’77 J. Bailey, D. Rolfsen] **2 Cables of Torus knots**

— Shown in §2. —

ex.3 [’80 R. Fintushel, R. Stern] **Hyperbolic knot!**

$K := P(-2, 3, 7)$, then $(K; 19) = -L(19, 7)$.

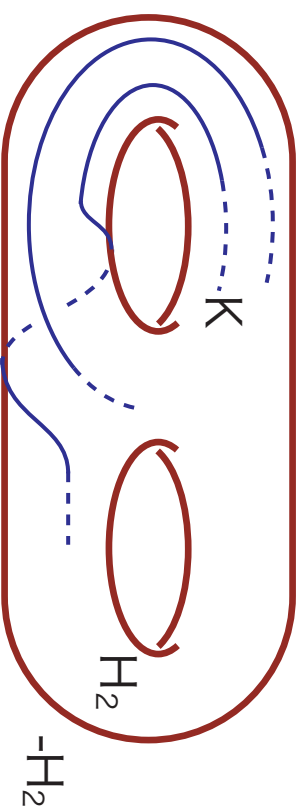
$(K; 18) = -L(18, 7)$.



Berge's doubly-primitive knots [90]

A knot K in the Heegaard surface Σ_2 is *doubly-primitive* iff

$K_{\#}$ (as in π_1) is a generator in both $\pi_1(H_2)$ and $\pi_1(-H_2)$.

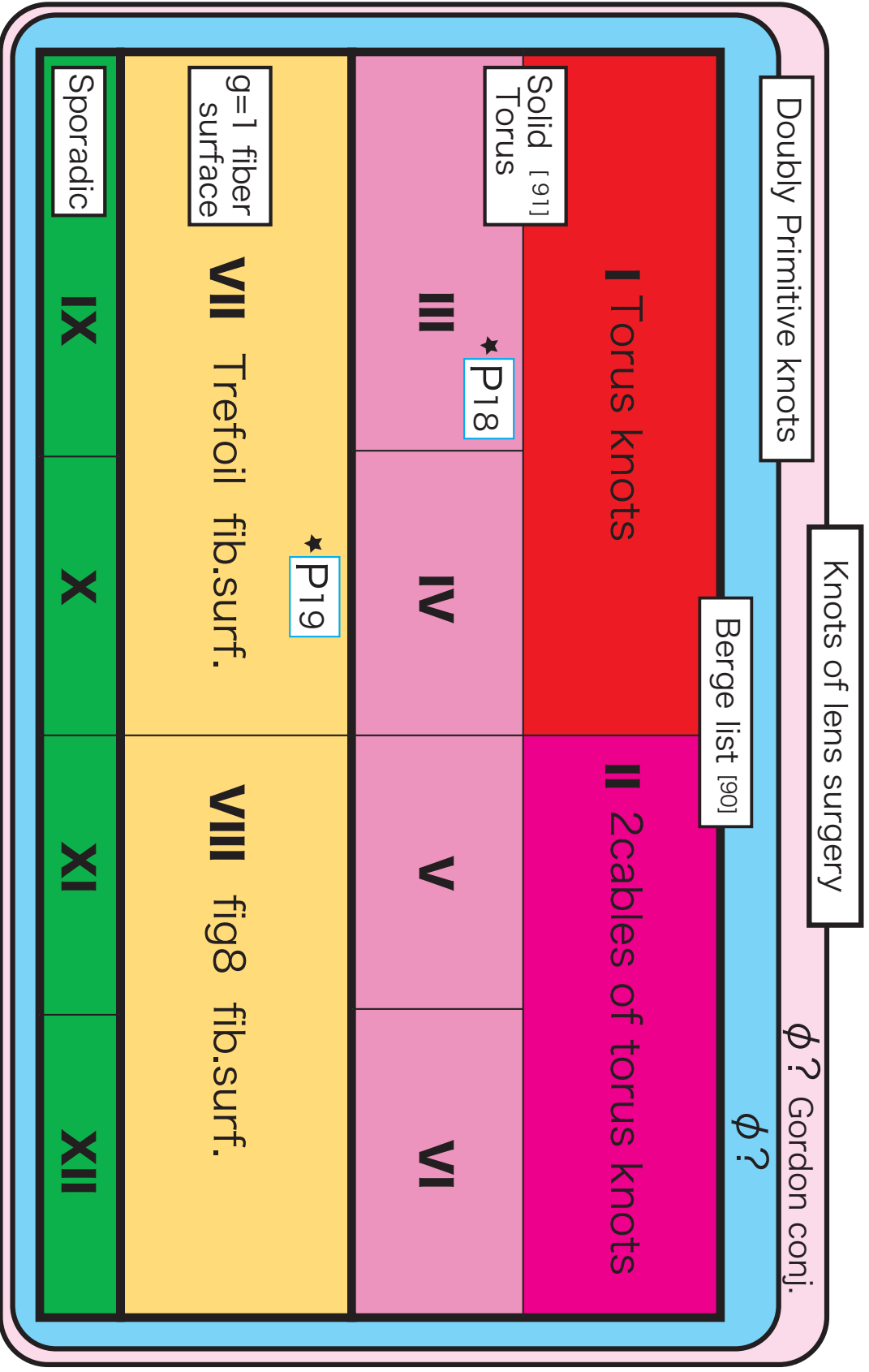


Such a knot K with the surface slope (coeff.) always yields a lens space. ■

Berge (tried to) classified and made a list of such knots.

His list consists of **3** Families, and of **12** “Type”s.

Type I, II, III, ..., VI | VII, VIII | IX, ..., XII.



Doubly Primitive knots

Knots of lens surgery

$\phi?$ Gordon conj.

Berge list [901]

$\phi?$

I Torus knots

II 2cables of torus knots

Solid [911]
Torus

★ P18

III

IV

V

VI

★ P19

$g=1$ fiber
surface

VII Trefoil fib.surf.

VIII fig8 fib.surf.

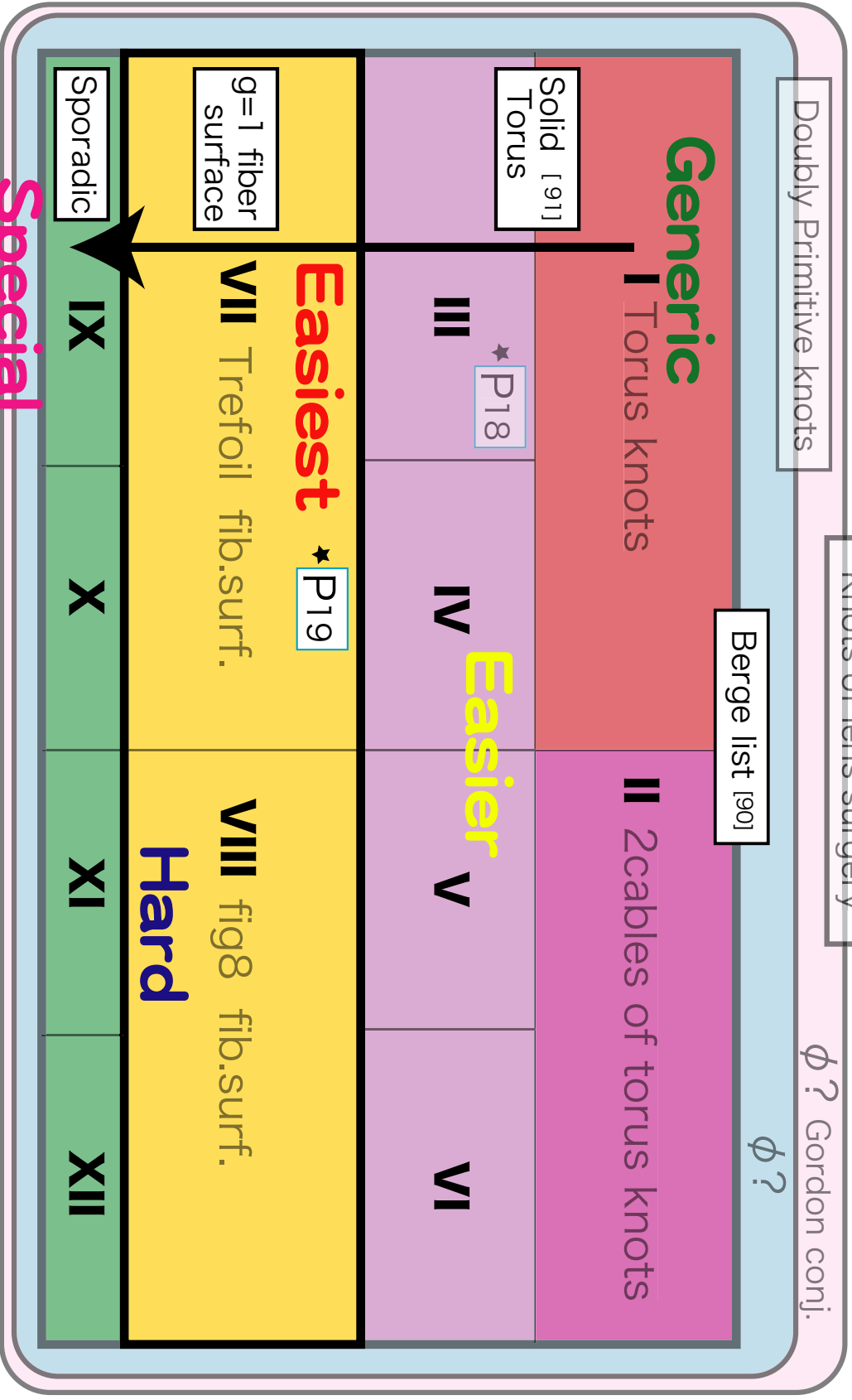
Sporadic

IX

X

XI

XIII



Doubly Primitive knots

Knots of lens surgery

Berge list [901]

Generic

I Torus knots

II 2cables of torus knots

Solid [911]
Torus

★ P18

IV Easier V

VI

g=1 fiber
surface

Easiest ★ P19

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Hard

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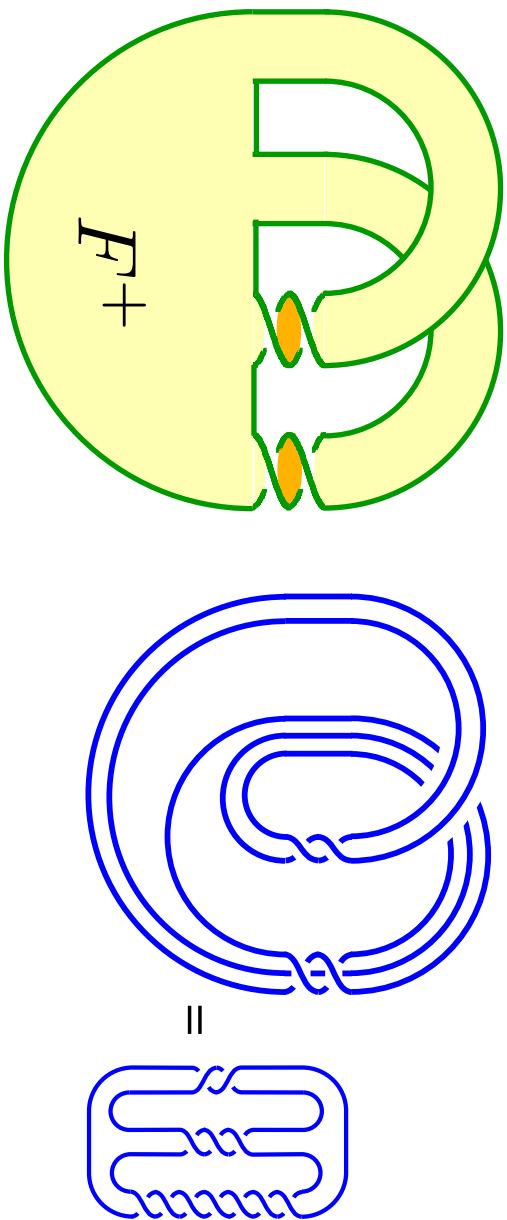
Special

Type VII ([Berge], see also [Y]) Let (a, b) be coprime (positive).

Let F^+ be the fiber surface of the left-handed trefoil.

A knot $k^+(a, b)$ is defined as below: p -surgery is $L(p, q)$.

$$(p = a^2 + ab + b^2, q = -(a/b)^2 \pmod{p})$$



- $k^+(2, 3)$ is $P(-2, 3, 7)$. $2^2 + 2 \cdot 3 + 3^2 = 19$.

$k^+(a, b)$ is obtained from $T(a, b)$ by $+$ full-twist twice.

§4. Results (old and new)

Theorem A. (**L-shaped**) ([Y'06-'07])

- Every knot (up to mirror image) in Type **I**, **II**, **III** ... **VI**,
- is a *divide knot*,
 - is presented by an *L-shaped plane curve* s.t.

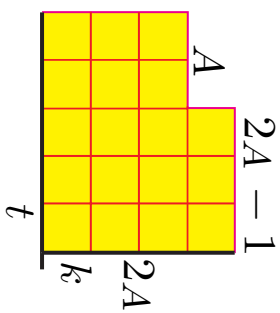
$$\text{Area}(L) - \text{coeff.} = 0 \text{ or } 1.$$

Let (a, b) (positive) coprime.

Every knot $k(a, b)$ in **VII** is presented by an *L-shaped plane curve* s.t. $\text{Area}(L) = \text{coeff.}$ ■

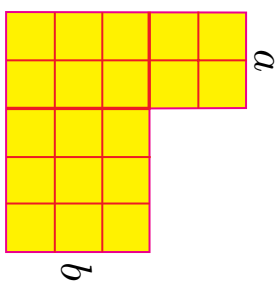
Families of lens surgery including $K := P(-2, 3, 7)$
 $(K, 18)$ and $(K, 19)$ belongs to different family.

Type **III** ($\ni (K; 18)$)



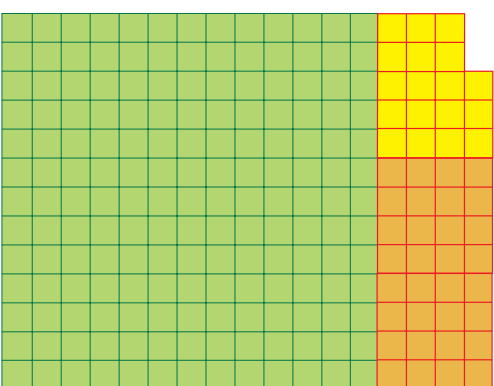
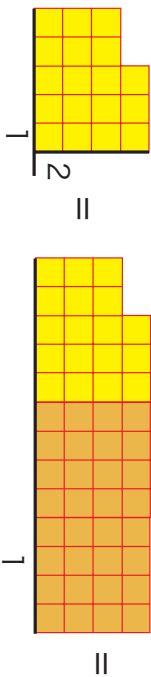
$(A = 2, k = t = 0)$

Type **VII** ($\ni (K; 19)$)



$((a, b) = (2, 3))$

Notation:

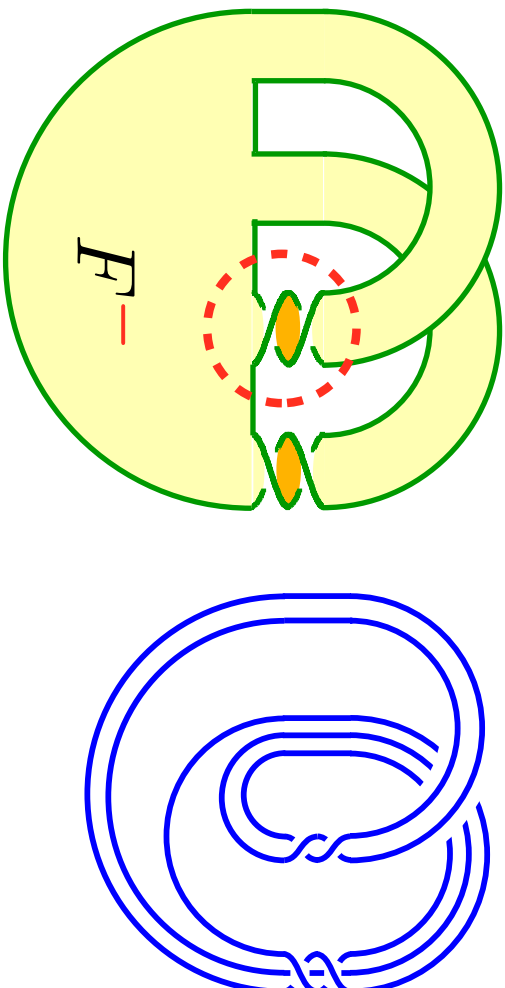


Type VIII ([Berge]) – The most difficult Type –

Let F^- be the fiber surface of Fig8 knot.

A knot $k^-(a, b)$ is defined as below: p -surgery is $L(p, q)$.

$$(p = -a^2 + ab + b^2, q = -(a/b)^2 \pmod{p})$$



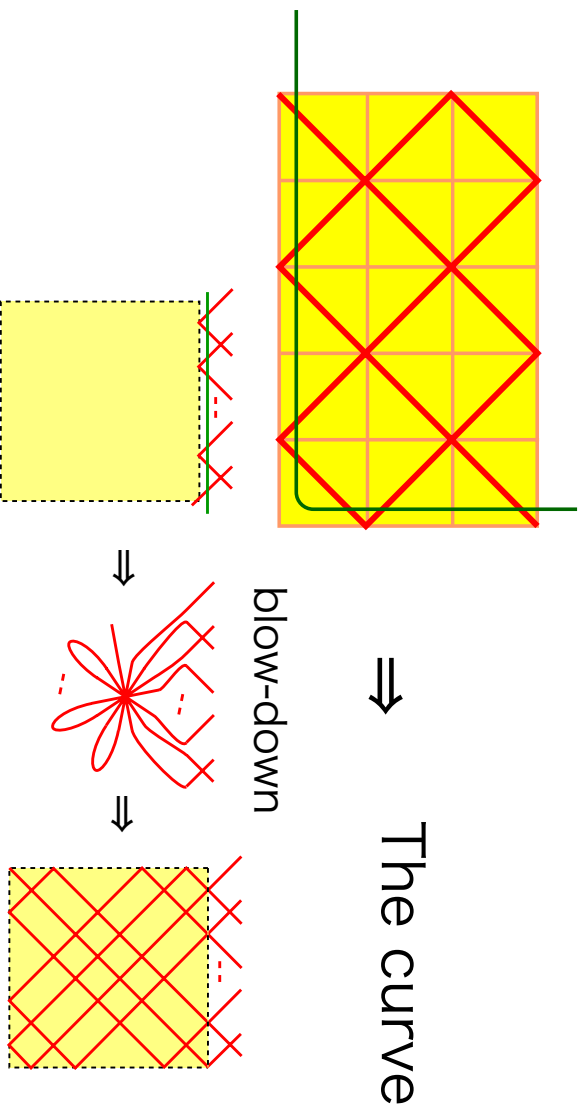
- $k^-(2, 3)$ is $T(3, 4)$ (unfortunately). $-2^2 + 2 \cdot 3 + 3^2 = 11$.

$k^-(a, b)$ is obtained from $T(a, b)$ by full-twist twice, + and - .

Note that $k^-(a, b) = k^-(b - a, b)$.

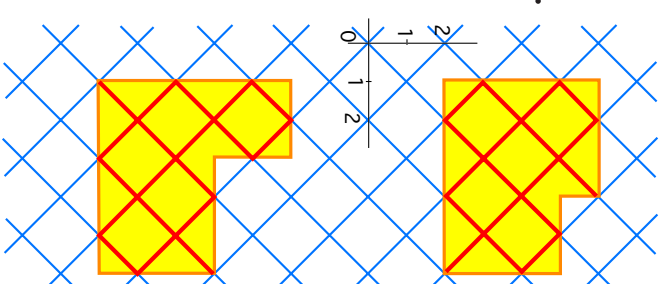
Main Theorem ([Y'08]) Let (a, b) coprime (and $0 < a < b$ here). Every **Type VIII** knot $k^-(a, b)$ is a *divide knot*. The plane curve is obtained by a *blow-down* from the rectangle curve $a \times (b - a)$, as follows:

ex. $k^-(3, 8)$

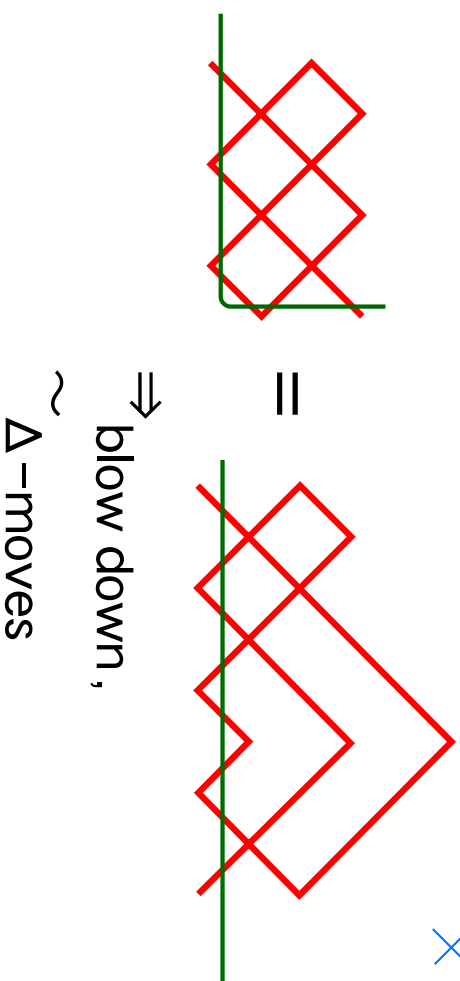


■ **Next Question:** Which (type) is the curve?

I want to deform the curves as good as possible.
 I hoped it is L-shaped curve.

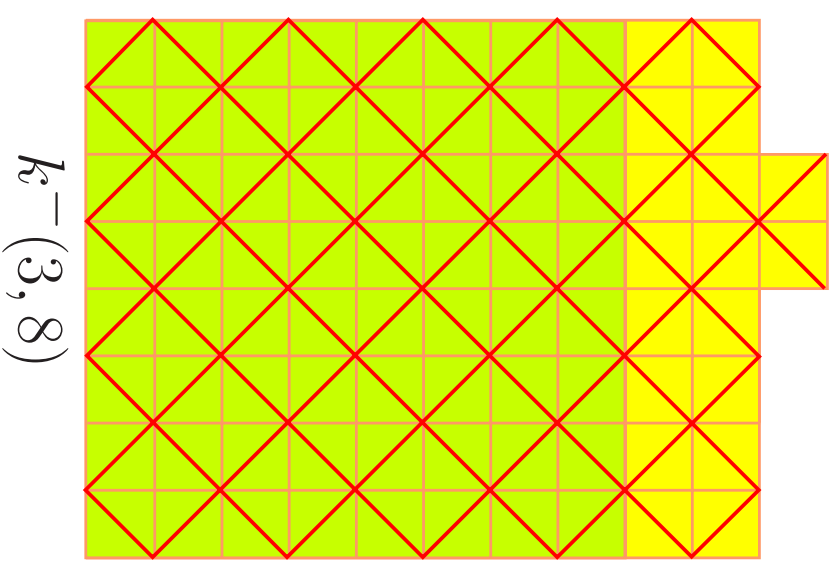
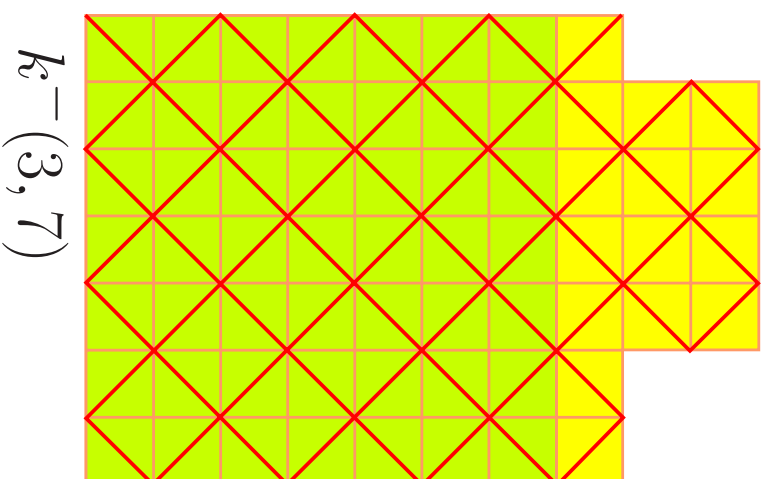
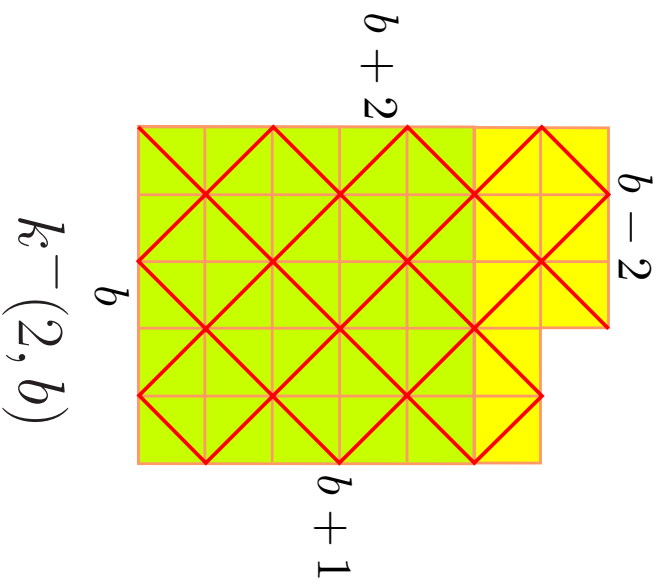


We can use Δ -moves.



The curve is, at least, pingpong type.

Trial(up to now):

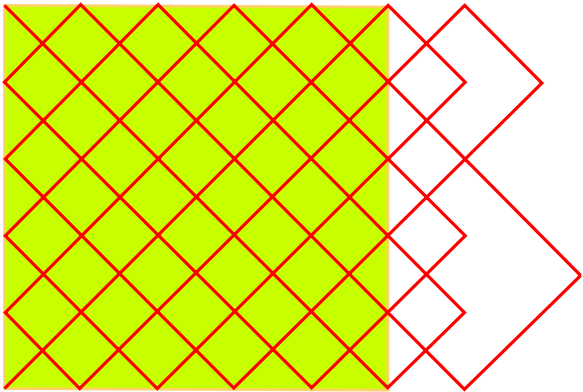


Area $b^2 + 2b - 2$
 Coeff. $b^2 + 2b - 4$

64
 61

82
 79

Trial(up to now):

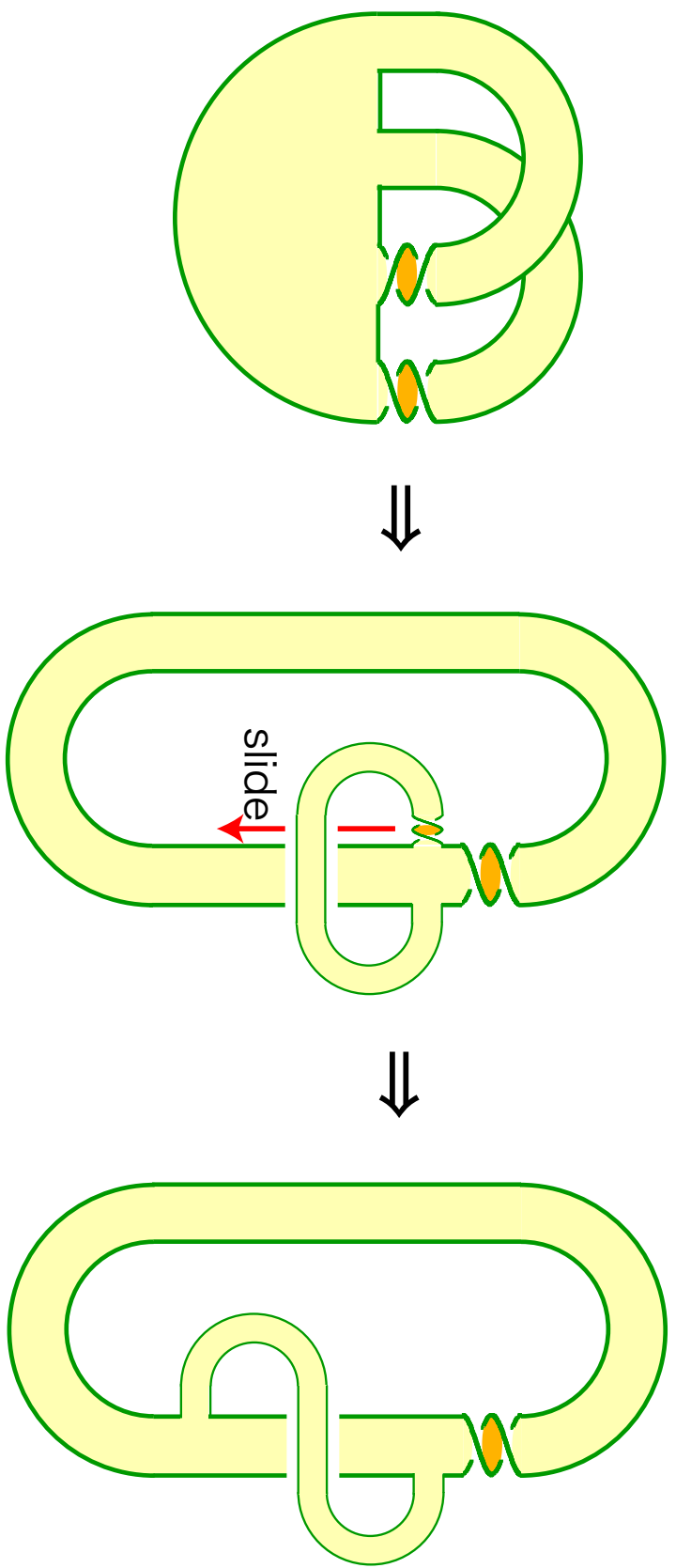


$k^-(3, 10)$

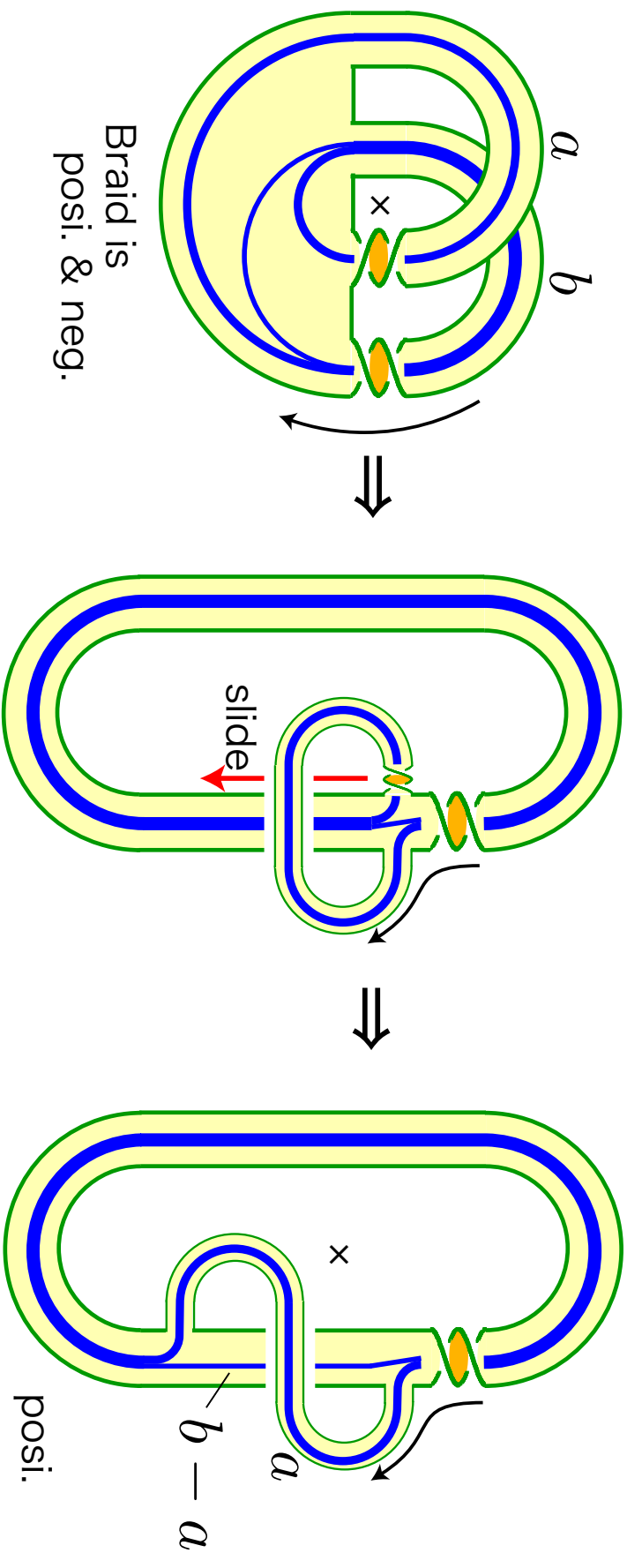
The curves (for TypeVIII) are at least pingpong type.

Proof of Main Thm.

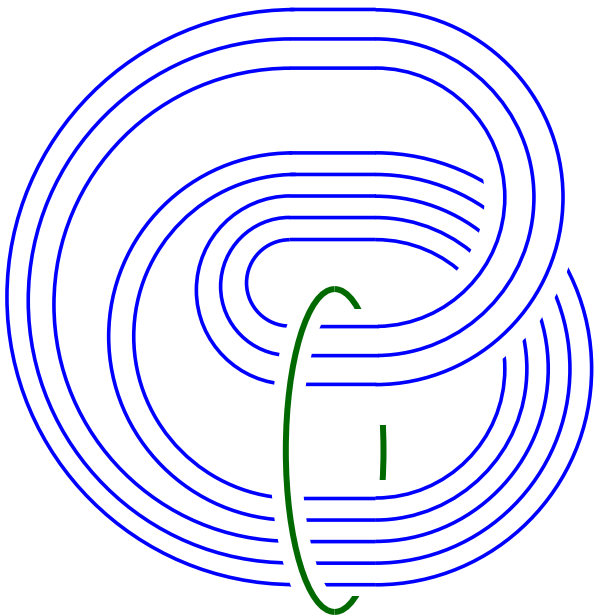
Use Baker's deformation of the surface F^{-1}



The curve $k^-(a, b)$ in F^{-1} becomes a positive braid of index b



It shows that $k^-(a, b)$ is obtained by $+1$ full-twist from $T(a, b-a)$



ex. $k^-(3, 8)$ is from $\mathcal{T}(3, 5)$

Find the curve presenting this braid and the axis. □

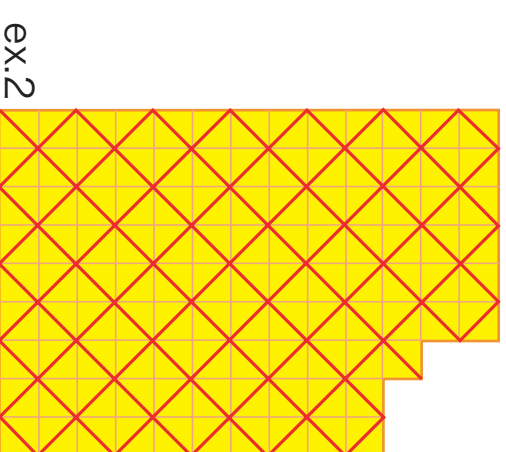
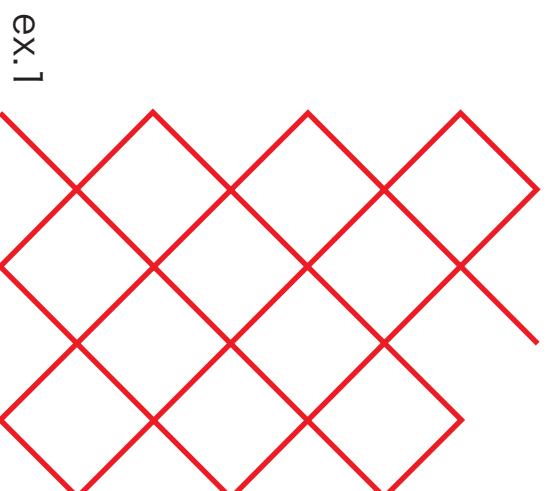
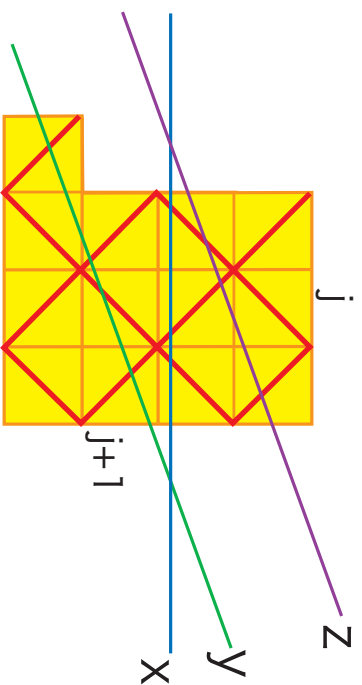
Remark: 4-dim. Topology ([Y])

This diagram is J.Park's rational homology 4-ball $(B_{p,q})$, used in the *generalized rational blow-down*, whose boundary is a lens space $L(p^2, pq - 1)$.

Trial to **Spradic examples** (the most special family)

Type **IX**: blow-down in order x, z ($p = 22j^2 + 9j + 1$)

Type **X**: blow-down in order x, z, y ($p = 22j^2 + 13j + 2$)



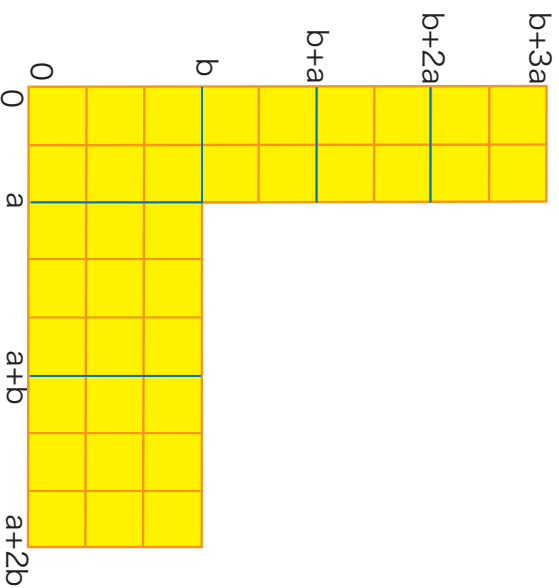
ex.1 (**IX** $j = 1$) L-shaped, $p = 32$, Area=33.

ex.2 (**IX** $j = 2$) generalized L-shaped, $p = 107$, Area=109.

By the way [Y'05]

\exists L-shaped curve that represents a knot whose

- Area-surgery is not lens, • does not admit a lens space surgery.



This family contains $P(-2, 3, 2n + 5)$ with $n > 2$ [Bleiler-Hodgson], which are known *not* to admit lens space surgeries, but Seifert surgery.

(L-shaped) Curves still tends to present interesting Dehn surgery.

Thank you very much!