

Principal Congruence Links for Discriminant $D = -3$

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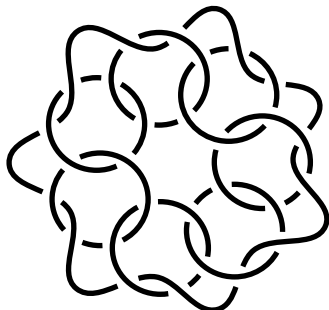
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Overview

- Thurston congruence link, geometric description
- Bianchi orbifolds, congruence and principal congruence manifolds
- Results implying there are finitely many principal congruence links
- Overview for the case of discriminant $D = -3$
- Preliminaries for the construction
- Construction of two more examples
- Open questions

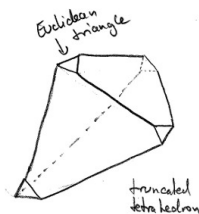
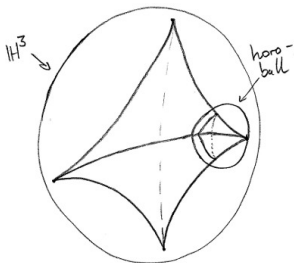
Thurston congruence link



$$M_{2+\zeta}^{-3}$$

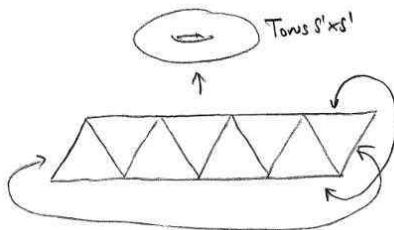
- Complement is non-compact finite-volume hyperbolic 3-manifold.
- Tessellated by 28 regular ideal hyperbolic tetrahedra.
- Tessellation is “regular”, i.e., symmetry group takes every tetrahedron to every other tetrahedron in all possible 12 orientations.

Cusped hyperbolic 3-manifolds



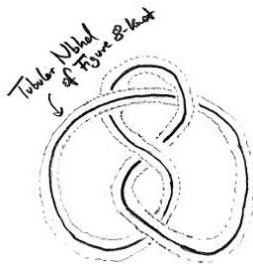
- Ideal hyperbolic tetrahedron does not include the vertices.
- Remove a small horoball. Ideal tetrahedron is topologically a truncated tetrahedron.
- Cut is a triangle with a Euclidean structure from horosphere.

Cusped hyperbolic 3-manifolds have toroidal ends



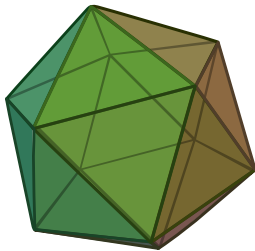
- Truncated tetrahedra form interior of a 3-manifold \bar{M} with boundary.
- $\partial\bar{M}$ triangulated by the Euclidean triangles.
- $\partial\bar{M}$ is a torus.
- Ends (cusps) of hyperbolic manifold modeled on $\text{torus} \times \text{interval}$.

Knot complements can be cusped hyperbolic 3-manifolds



- Cusp homeomorphic to a tubular neighborhood of a knot/link component.
- Figure-8 knot complement tessellated by two regular ideal tetrahedra.
- Hyperbolic metric near knot so dense that light never reaches knot.
- Complement still has finite volume.

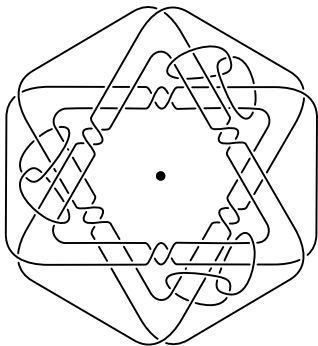
“Regular tessellations”



(Source: wikipedia)

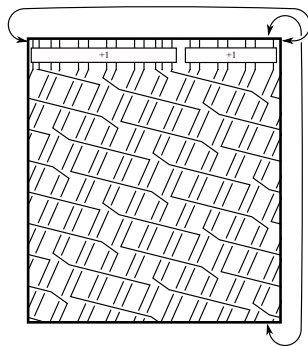
- Spherical 2-dimensional version of “regular tessellations”: Platonic solids.
- Person in a tile cannot tell through intrinsic measurements in what tile he or she is or at what edge he or she is looking at.

Two more examples



$$M_3^{-3}$$

54 regular ideal tetrahedra



$$M_{2+2\zeta}^{-3}$$

120 regular ideal tetrahedra

Thurston congruence link and the Klein quartic



$$xy^3 + yz^3 + zx^3 = 0$$

- Faces of ideal tetrahedra form immersed hyperbolic surface.
- Filling the punctures yields an algebraic curve in \mathbb{CP}^2 : Klein quartic.
- Orientation-preserving symmetry group of the hyperbolic surface: $\mathrm{PSL}(2, 7)$, the unique finite simple group of order 168.
- Thurston/Agol, “Thurston congruence link”

Bianchi orbifolds

- \mathcal{O}_D : ring of integers in $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{D})$. $D < 0$, $D \equiv 0, 1(4)$ discriminant.
- **Bianchi group:**

$$\mathrm{PGL}(2, \mathcal{O}_D) \quad \text{respectively} \quad \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathcal{O}_D)$$

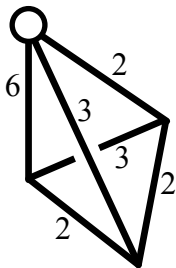
is a discrete subgroup of $\mathrm{PGL}(2, \mathbb{C}) \cong \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{C}) \cong \mathrm{Isom}^+(\mathbb{H}^3)$.

- **Bianchi orbifold:**

$$M_1^D = \frac{\mathbb{H}^3}{\mathrm{PGL}(2, \mathcal{O}_D)} \quad \text{respectively} \quad \frac{\mathbb{H}^3}{\mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathcal{O}_D)}.$$

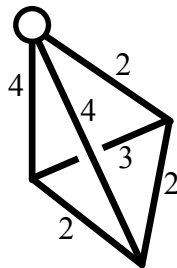
- Every cusped arithmetic hyperbolic manifold is commensurable with a Bianchi orbifold.

Bianchi orbifolds



$$M_1^{-3}$$

regular ideal tetrahedron
divided by
orientation-preserving
symmetries



$$M_1^{-4}$$

regular ideal octahedron
divided by
orientation-preserving
symmetries

Congruence subgroups

- Fix ideal I in \mathcal{O}_D .
- $\mathcal{O}_D \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_D/I$ induces map

$$p : \mathrm{PGL}(2, \mathcal{O}_D) \rightarrow \mathrm{PGL}(2, \mathcal{O}_D/I)$$

- **Congruence subgroup:**

$$p^{-1}(G) \text{ for some subgroup } G \subset \mathrm{PGL}(2, \mathcal{O}_D/I).$$

- **Principal congruence subgroup:**

$$\ker(p) = p^{-1}(0).$$

- **(Principal) congruence manifold/orbifold:** quotient of \mathbb{H}^3

$$M_z^D = \frac{\mathbb{H}^3}{\ker \left(\mathrm{PGL}(2, \mathcal{O}_D) \rightarrow \mathrm{PGL}\left(2, \frac{\mathcal{O}_D}{\langle z \rangle}\right) \right)}$$

- Thurston congruence link complement is $M_{2+\zeta}^{-3}$.

Cuspidal Cohomology, Baker's links

- Cuspidal cohomology yields an obstruction:
If M_1^D can be covered by a link complement, then $D \in \mathcal{L}$ where $\mathcal{L} = \{-3, -4, -7, -8, -11, -15, -19, -20, -23, -24, -31, -39, -47, -71\}$.
- Mark Baker constructed “some” cover for each $D \in \mathcal{L}$, making it ‘iff’.
- His covers are neither canonical nor regular.

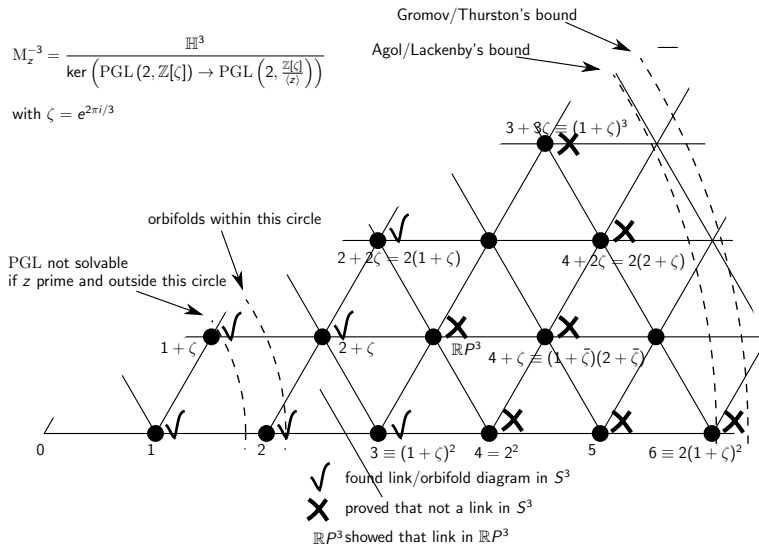
Finitely many principal congruence links

- **Gromov and Thurston 2π -Theorem:** Dehn filling cusps of a hyperbolic manifold along peripheral curves with length $> 2\pi$ yields hyperbolic manifold again.
(Length measured on embedded horoballs)
- **Agol and Lackenby:** improved bound to > 6 .
- **Corollary:** If the shortest curve on every cusp has length > 6 , the manifold is not a link complement.
- Hence, only finitely many principal congruence manifolds $M_{\mathbb{Z}}^D$ are link complements.

The case of discriminant $D = -3$

$$M_{-3}^{-3} = \frac{\mathbb{H}^3}{\ker \left(\mathrm{PGL}(2, \mathbb{Z}[\zeta]) \rightarrow \mathrm{PGL}\left(2, \frac{\mathbb{Z}[\zeta]}{(z)}\right)\right)}$$

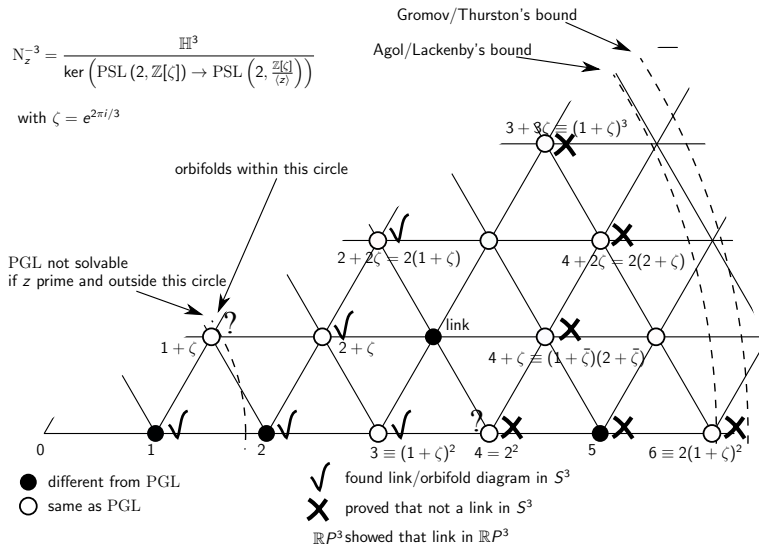
$$\text{with } \zeta = e^{2\pi i/3}$$



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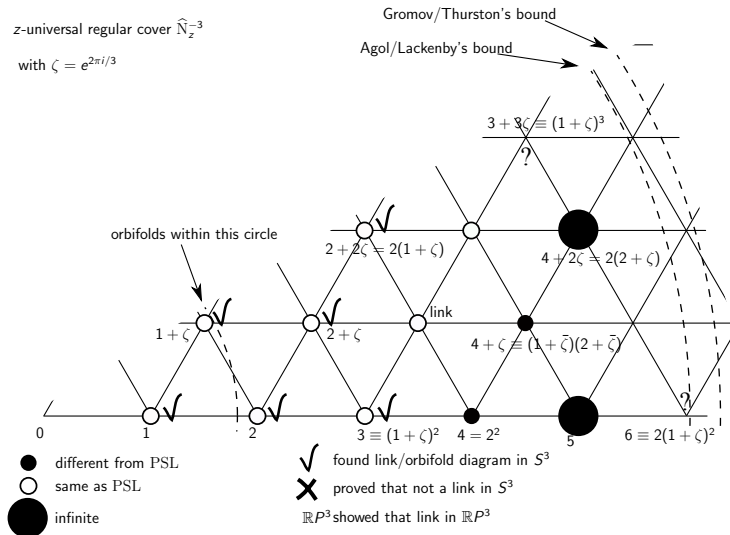
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The case of discriminant $D = -3$

z -universal regular cover \widehat{N}_z^{-3}

with $\zeta = e^{2\pi i/3}$



Preliminaries: Orbifolds

- 3-orbifold M locally modeled on quotient

$$\frac{\mathbb{R}^3}{\Gamma} \rightarrow U \subset M$$

by a finite subgroup $\Gamma \subset \mathrm{SO}(3, \mathbb{R})$.

- Here, 3-orbifolds M are oriented.
- Underlying topological space $X(M)$ is a 3-manifold.
- Singular locus $\Sigma(M)$ is the set where Γ is non-trivial.
 $\Sigma(M)$ is embedded trivalent graph with labeled edges.
- Near edges of $\Sigma(M)$: modeled on branched cover, Γ cyclic.
- Near vertices of $\Sigma(M)$: Γ is dihedral or orientation-preserving symmetries of a Platonic solid.

Orbifold notation



Cusp
(remove knot)



Edge of singular graph
(modeled on branched cover)



Vertex of singular graph
(modeled on orientation-preserving triangle group)



Cusp of orbifold
(remove a small ball of underlying topological manifold)



$S^1 \subset S^3$ consisting of ∞ and line perpendicular to paper plane



Surgery on knot

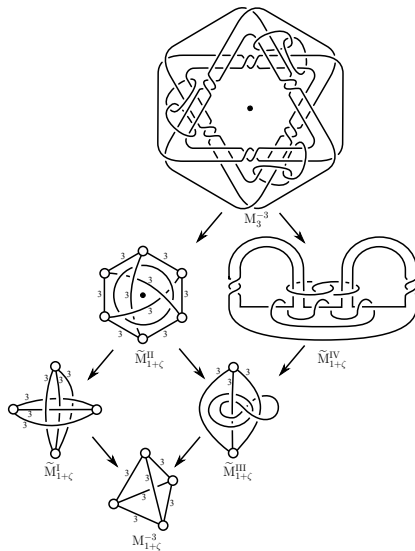
Construction of M_3^{-3}

- M_3^{-3} has 54 regular ideal tetrahedra and 12 cusps.
- The orientation-preserving symmetries are $\mathrm{PGL}\left(2, \frac{\mathbb{Z}[\zeta]}{\langle 3 \rangle}\right)$
- **Lemma:** $M_3^{-3} \rightarrow M_{1+\zeta}^{-3}$ is the universal abelian cover of $M_{1+\zeta}^{-3}$.
- **Lemma:** The holonomy of this cover is given by

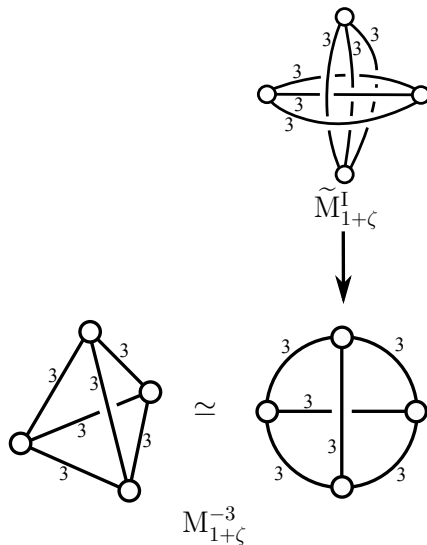
$$\pi_1^{orb}\left(M_{1+\zeta}^{-3}\right) \twoheadrightarrow \left(\frac{\mathbb{Z}}{3}\right)^3.$$

Reason: $\langle 3 \rangle = \langle 1 + \zeta \rangle^2$ and $\frac{\mathbb{Z}[\zeta]}{\langle 1+\zeta \rangle} \cong \mathbb{Z}/3$.

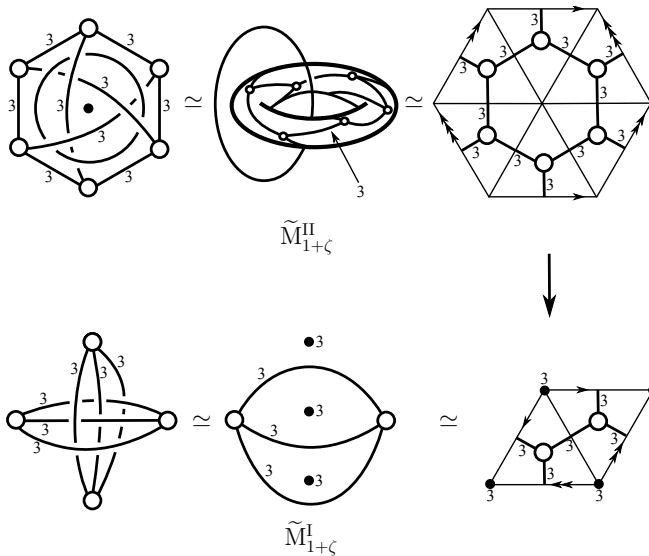
Overview of construction of M_3^{-3}



Step 1 of M_3^{-3} : 3-cyclic cover along unknot



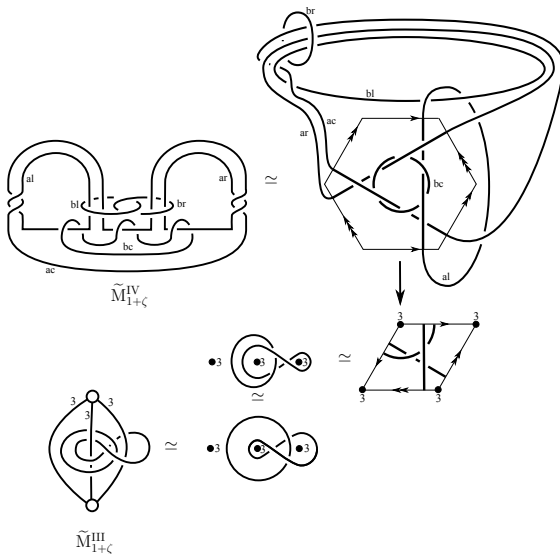
Step 2 of M_3^{-3} : 3-cyclic cover of $(3, 3, 3)$ -triangle orbifold



Step 3 of M_3^{-3} : Divide out 3-cyclic symmetry

- The singular locus is too complicated to construct a 3-cyclic cover.
- Divide out 3-cyclic symmetry.

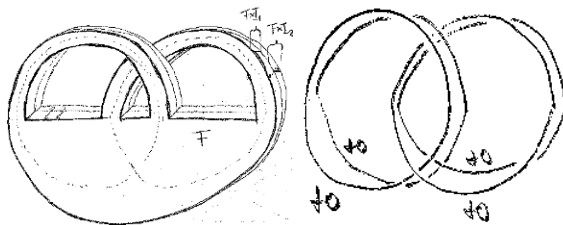
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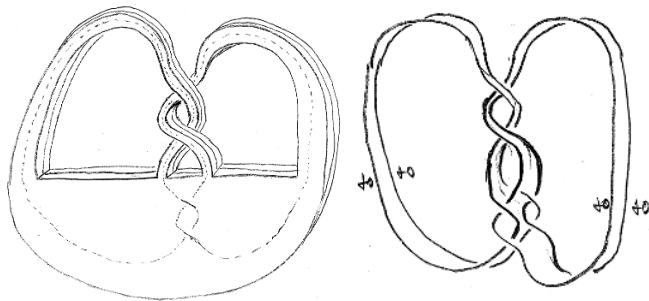
Step 5 of M_3^{-3} : Cover according to Akbulut and Kirby

- Akbulut and Kirby, “Branched Covers of Surfaces in 4-Manifolds”: Construction of cyclic cover of B^4 branched over Seifert surface of a link in $S^3 = \partial B^4$ pushed into B^4 .
- Here, we are only interested in what happens on the boundary S^3 .
- The Seifert surface will determine the holonomy of the cyclic cover branched over a link in S^3 .

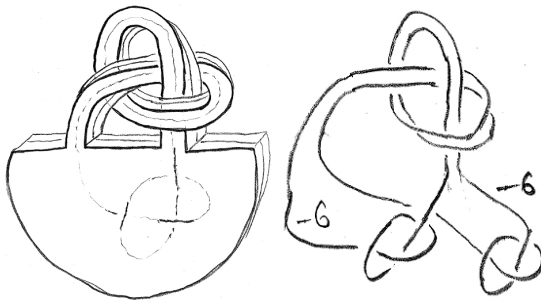
Example of a cyclic cover



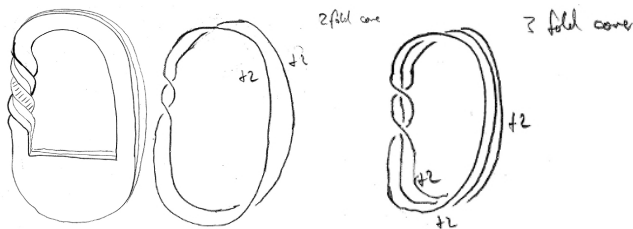
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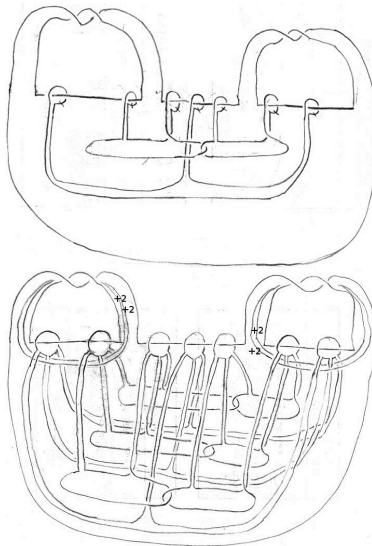
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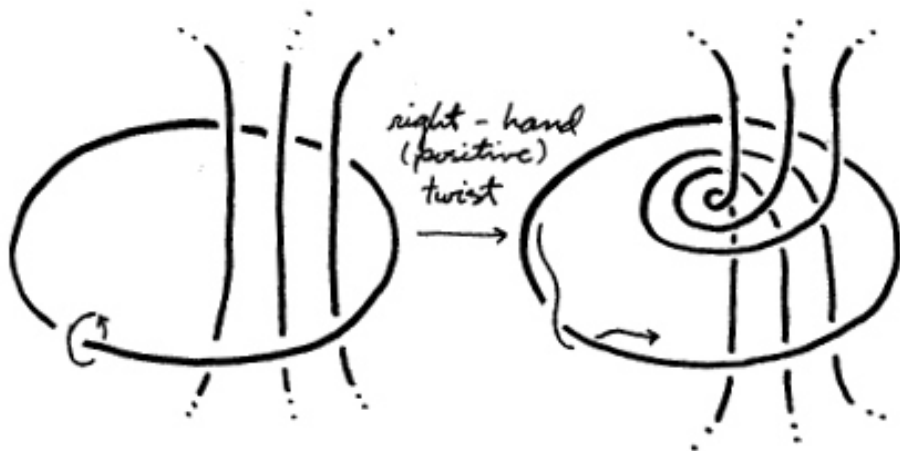
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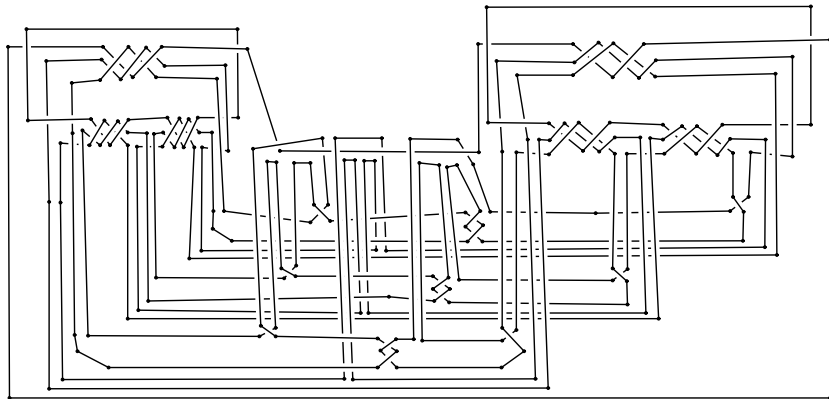


Rolfsen twists

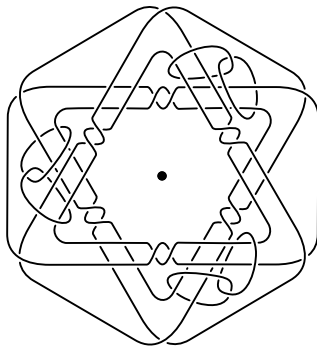


(Source: Rolfsen, Knots and Links)

Step 5 of M_3^{-3} : Rolfsen twists and blow-downs



Dihedral symmetry of link for M_3^{-3}



$$M_3^{-3}$$

Construction of $M_{2+2\zeta}^{-3}$

- $M_{2+2\zeta}^{-3}$ has 120 regular ideal tetrahedra and 20 cusps.
- Orientation-preserving symmetries are

$$\begin{aligned}\mathrm{PGL}\left(2, \frac{\mathbb{Z}[\zeta]}{\langle 2+2\zeta \rangle}\right) &\cong \mathrm{PGL}\left(2, \frac{\mathbb{Z}[\zeta]}{\langle 1+\zeta \rangle}\right) \oplus \mathrm{PGL}\left(2, \frac{\mathbb{Z}[\zeta]}{\langle 2 \rangle}\right) \\ &\cong S_4 \oplus A_5.\end{aligned}$$

- For $G \subset S_4 \oplus A_5$, let

$$|G| = \frac{M_{2+2\zeta}^{-3}}{G}$$

Construction of $M_{2+2\zeta}^{-3}$

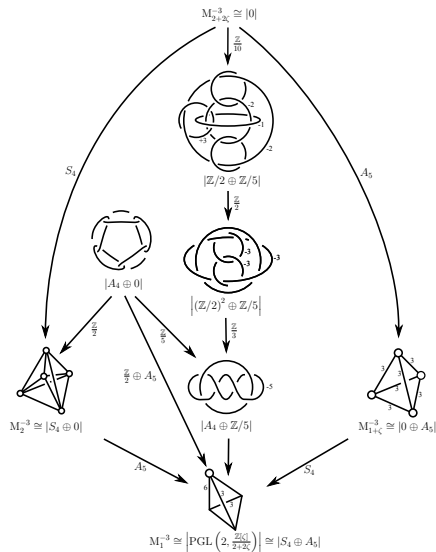
- Orbifold M_2^{-3} and manifold double-cover in:
Dunfield, Thurston, “The virtual Haken conjecture: experiments and examples”
- Decktransformation group of

$$M_{2+2\zeta}^{-3} \cong |0| \rightarrow |S_4 \oplus 0| \cong M_2^{-3}$$

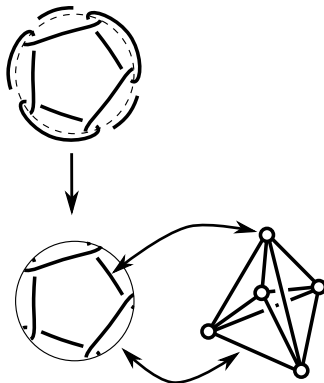
is S_4 , a solvable group.

- S_4 and $\mathbb{Z}/5 \subset A_5$ commute in $S_4 \oplus A_5$.
Can divide 5-cyclic symmetry and postpone 5-cyclic cover until later.

Overview of the construction of $M_{2+2\zeta}^{-3}$



Pentacle

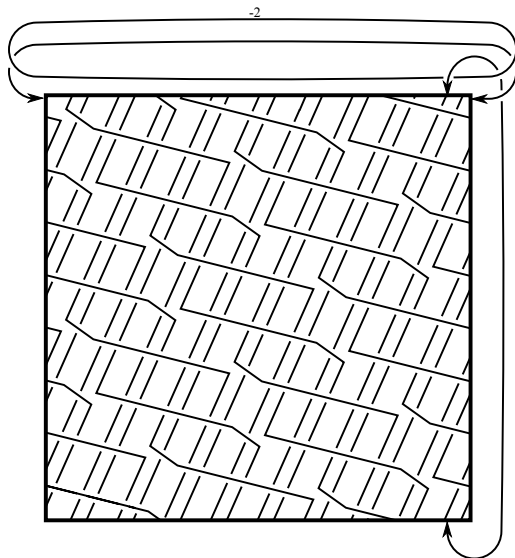


Pentacle orbifold = $\frac{\text{Minimally twisted 5-component chain link}}{\text{involution around dotted}}$

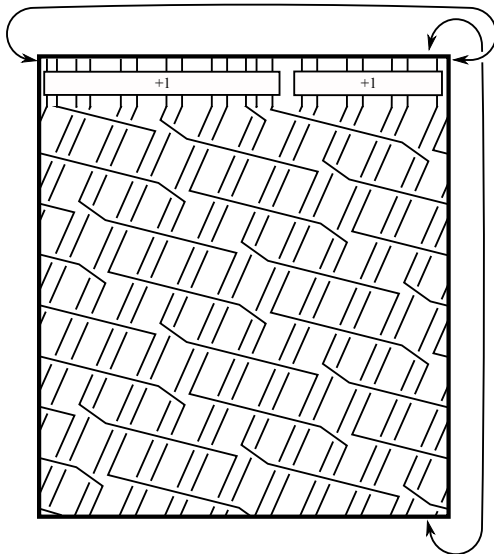
Tricks for $M_{2+2\zeta}^{-3}$

- Blow-up makes 5-cyclic symmetry of chain link visible.
- Rolfsen twists produce surgery unknots with coefficients $\frac{a}{b}$ with $p|b$. These unknots serve as branching locus for Akbulut and Kirby construction.
- Reduce rational plumbing diagrams to single surgery unknot revealing lens space structure.
- Projection onto torus for visualization.

$$M_{2+2\zeta}^{-3} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}P^3$$



$$M_{2+2\zeta}^{-3} \text{ in } S^3$$



Progress on the missing links

$z = 3 + \zeta, 3 + 2\zeta, 5 + \zeta$ is prime.

For $z = 3 + \zeta$:

- Let $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$.
- Triangulation of $M = \mathbb{H}^3/p^{-1}(G)$ (Python script).
- $M_{3+\zeta}^{-3}$ is unique (as manifold) 13-cyclic cover of M with 14 cusps.
- M obtained by $\frac{14}{3}$ Dehn filling of 10_{65}^3 .

Open questions

- Find remaining 5 potential principal congruence links, or show manifolds are not link complements.
- Is PGL or PSL more natural?
- Are there infinitely many congruence links?
- Are there infinitely many regular Bianchi orbifold cover links?

Classification of regular Bianchi orbifold covers for $D = -3$

Invariant of regular Bianchi orbifold cover: Cusp shape z .

Triangulation by regular tetrahedra induces lattice $\mathbb{Z}[\zeta] \subset \mathbb{C}$ on cusps.

Cusp torus is $\mathbb{C}/\langle z \rangle$ for some $z \in \mathbb{Z}[\zeta]$ determined up to unit.

Fix z . Category of regular Bianchi orbifold covers:

- Finite-volume initial object for

$$z \in \{2, 2 + \zeta, 2 + 2\zeta, 3, 3 + \zeta, 3 + 2\zeta, 4, 4 + \zeta\}.$$

- Terminal object is M_z^{-3} for

$$z \in \{2 + \zeta, 3 + \zeta\}.$$

For the lower z , we have already seen all regular Bianchi orbifold covers.