

REPRESENTING AND CLASSIFYING COMPACT PL 4-MANIFOLDS VIA REGULAR 5-COLORED GRAPHS

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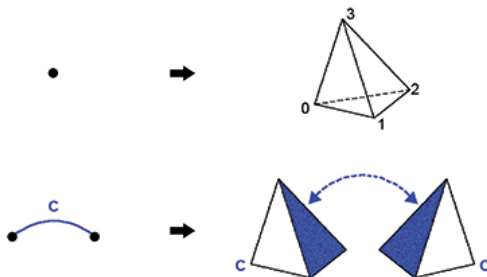
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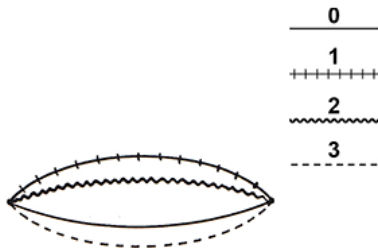
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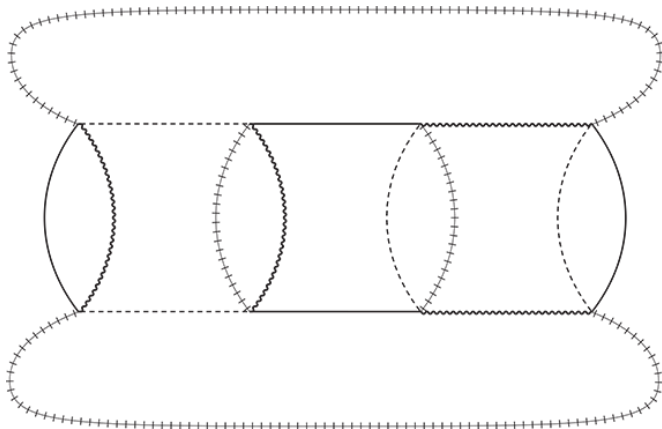
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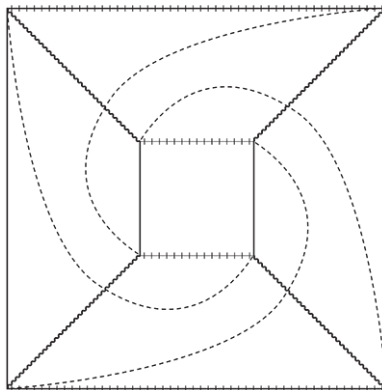
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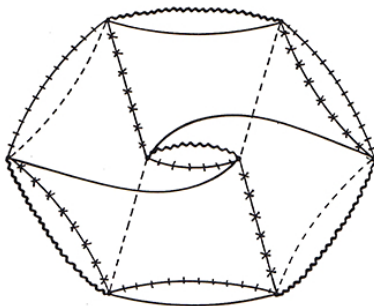
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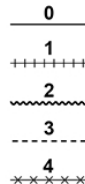


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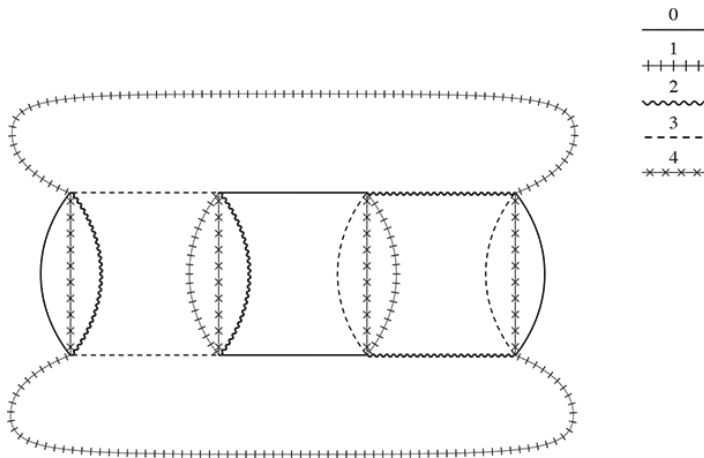
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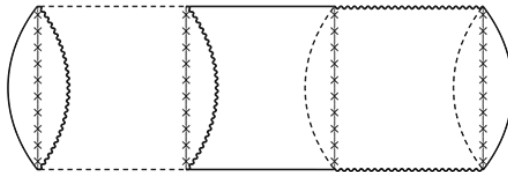
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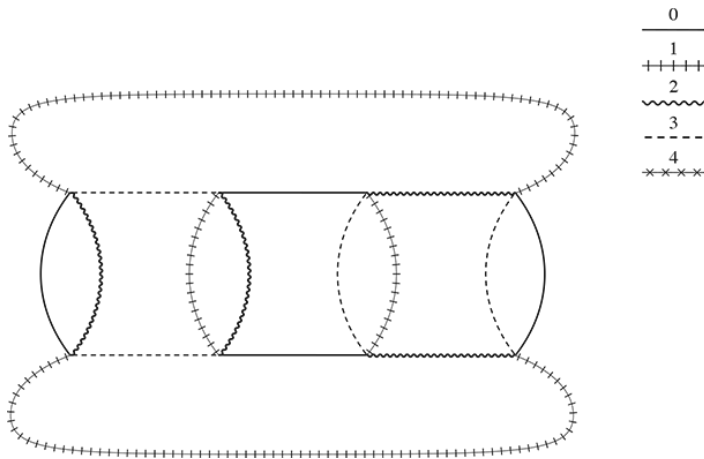
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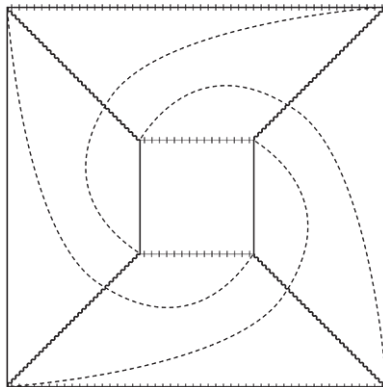
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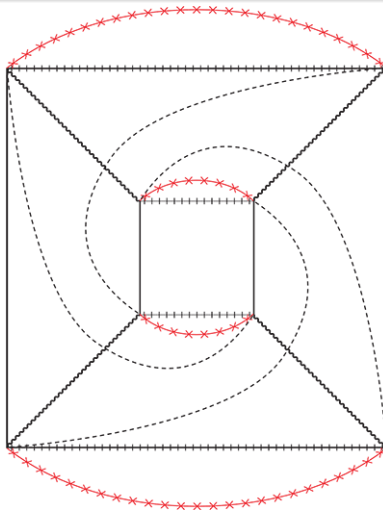
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If  $L$  has  $l$  components  $L_1, \dots, L_l$  and  $c = (c_1, \dots, c_l)$ ,

$$M^4(L, c) = \mathbb{D}^4 \cup (H_1^{(2)} \cup \dots \cup H_l^{(2)})$$

where,  $\forall i = 1, \dots, l$ ,

$$H_i^{(2)} = \mathbb{D}^2 \times \mathbb{D}^2$$

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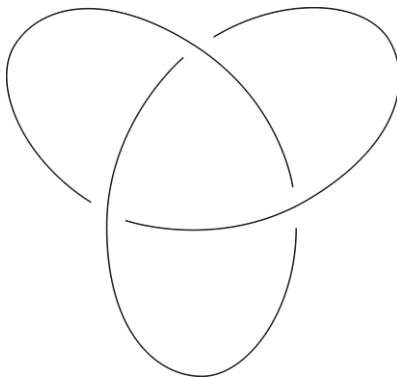
$$\phi_i : \partial \mathbb{D}^2 \times \mathbb{D}^2 \rightarrow \partial \mathbb{D}^4$$

such that  $\phi_i(\mathbb{S}^1 \times \{0\}) = L_i$  has linking number  $c_i$  with  $\phi_i(\mathbb{S}^1 \times \{x\})$ ,  
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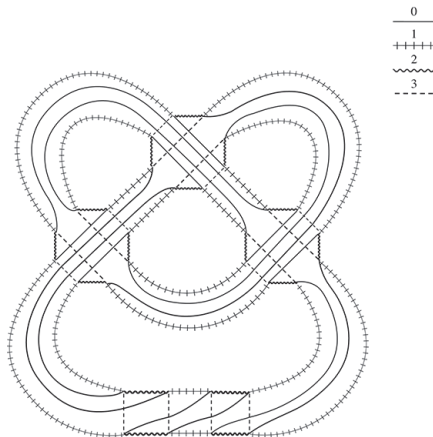


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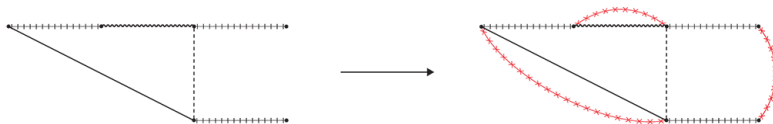
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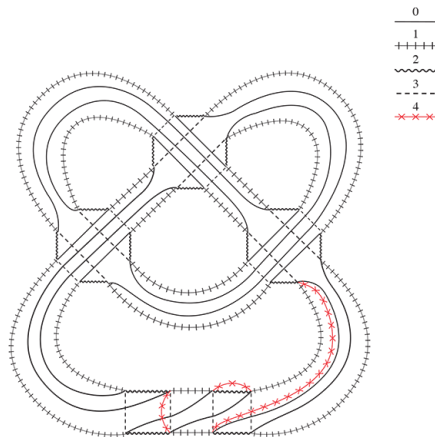
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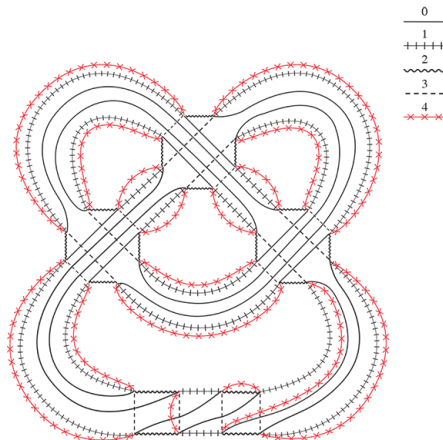
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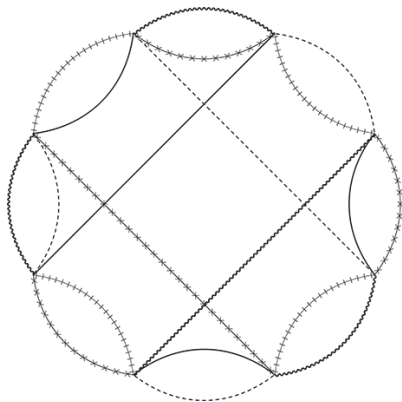
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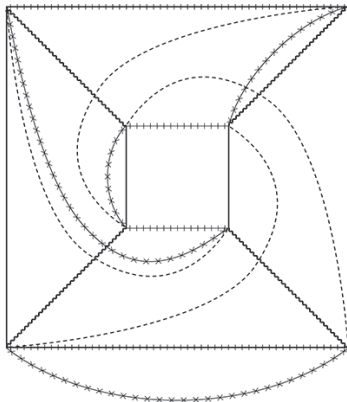
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$M^4(K_0, 2) = \xi_2$ , the  $\mathbb{D}^2$ -bundle over  $\mathbb{S}^2$  with Euler class 2  
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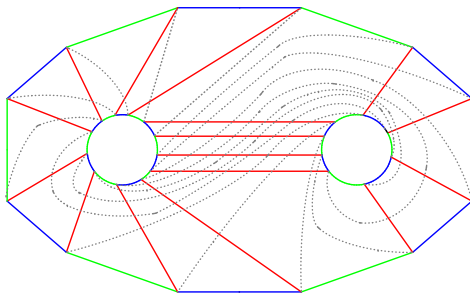
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EXAMPLE: Regular embedding corresponding to  $\varepsilon = (\text{green}, \text{red}, \text{blue}, \text{grey})$



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$$\sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_{d+1}} g_{\varepsilon_i \varepsilon_{i+1}} + (1-d)p = 2 - 2\rho_\varepsilon(\Gamma)$$

where  $g_{\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_{i+1}}$  = number of  $\{\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_{i+1}\}$ -cycles,  $2p = \#V(\Gamma)$ .

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The *generalized regular genus* of a singular  $d$ -manifold  $N$  is defined as

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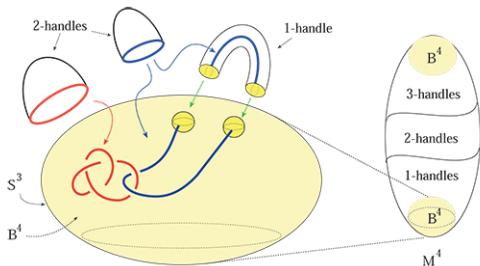
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where:

- $T, \bar{T} \in \otimes_d \mathbb{C}^N$
- $\mathcal{CG}(d)$  is the set of bipartite  $d$ -colored graphs
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