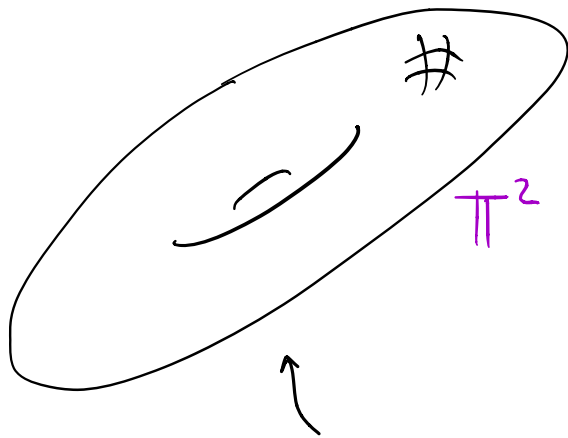


Topology \leftrightarrow Combinatorics: Width-type parameters of 3-manifolds

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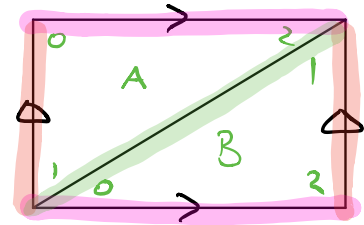
$$\chi(\pi^2) = 0$$

$$H_*(\pi^2) = (\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}^2, \mathbb{Z})$$

$$\text{Or}(\pi^2) = \text{TRUE}$$



1: ∞



1: 1

	01	02	12	
A	B(12)	B(02)	B(01)	
B	A(12)	A(02)	A(01)	

Motivation: Make use of theoretical advances
in 3-manifold topology in practice.

Given two 3-manifolds M_1 and M_2 , do we have

(1) $M_1 \cong M_2$?

heuristics

(2) $M_1 \not\cong M_2$?

Computationally
hard


compute
topological
invariants

This is "difficult"

Q: Does it have to be difficult ?

Observation: If M is given as a sufficiently nice triangulation, then: **No!**

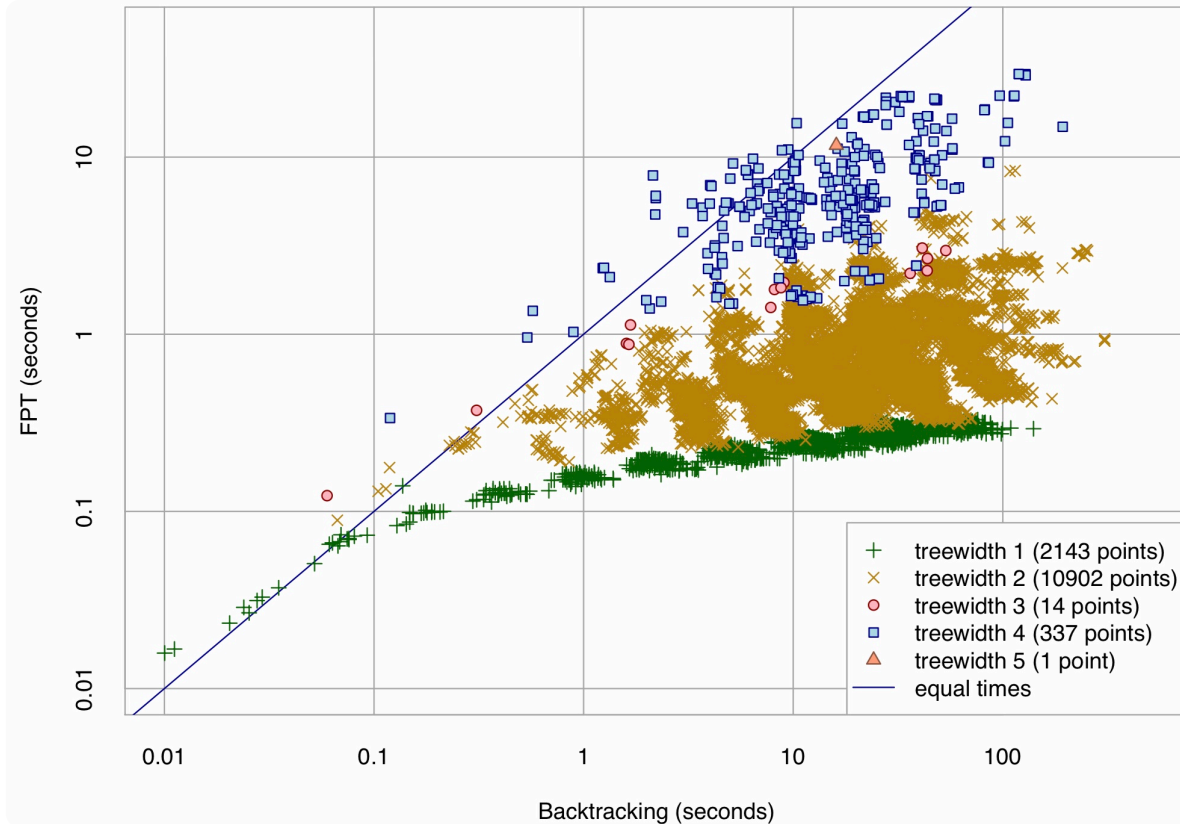
"thin" \swarrow
 "tree-like" dual graph \searrow



Example then: T triangulation of 3-manifold M with n tetrahedra and dual graph of treewidth $\leq k$, then Turaev-Viro quantum invariants $TV_r(M)$ can be computed in

instead of $O((r-1)^{n+1}) \swarrow$ $O((r-1)^{6k+6} \cdot k^2 \cdot \log(r) \cdot n)$

.... and this makes things easier in practice as well...



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Q: Given triangulation T , how to reduce the treewidth of its dual graph?

cannot be
easy in
general

sometimes easy

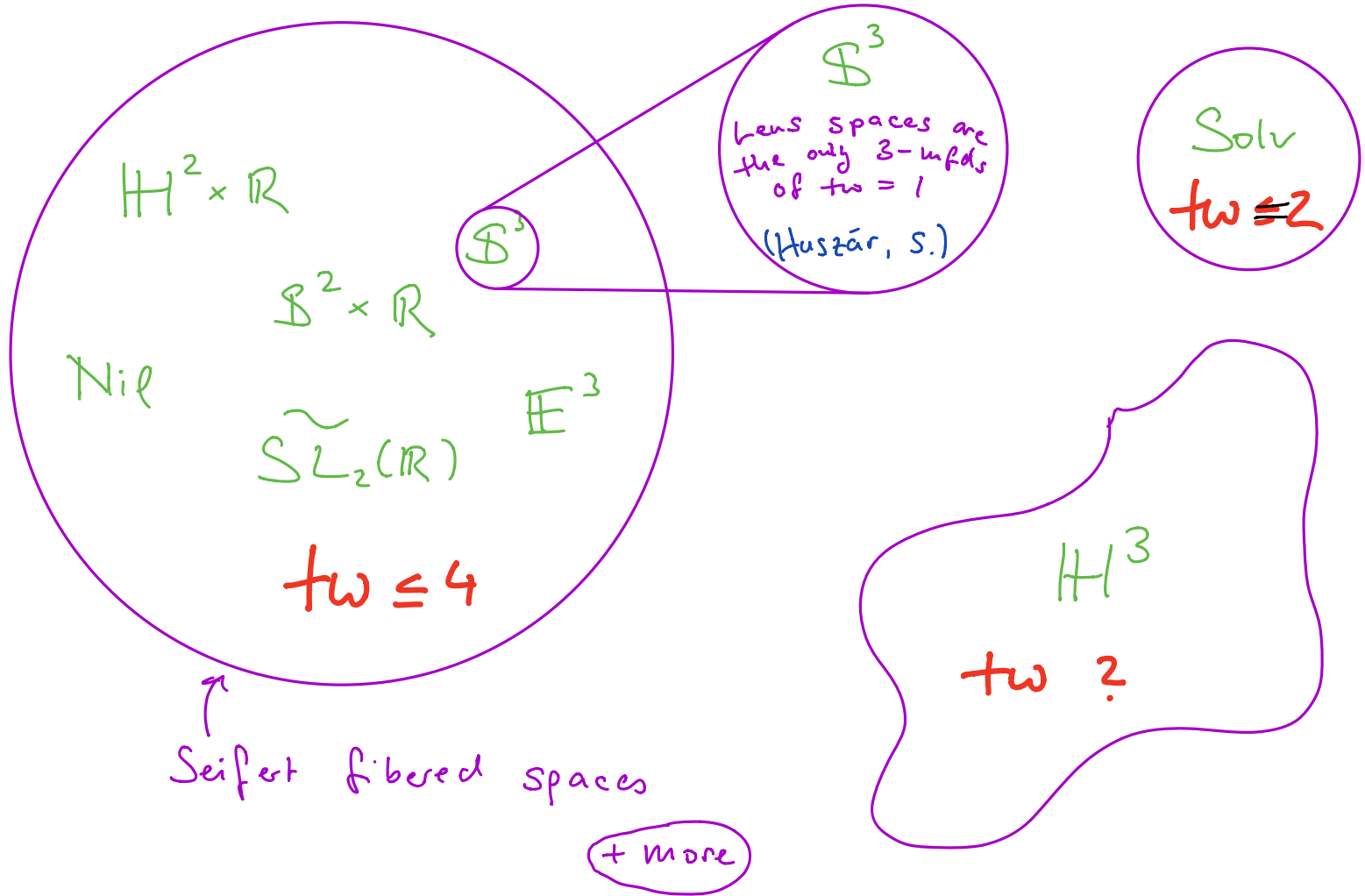
What are the ^{theoretical} limitations
of this approach?

$$tw(M) = \min_{T \text{ trig. of } M} \{ tw(\text{dualgraph}(T)) \}$$

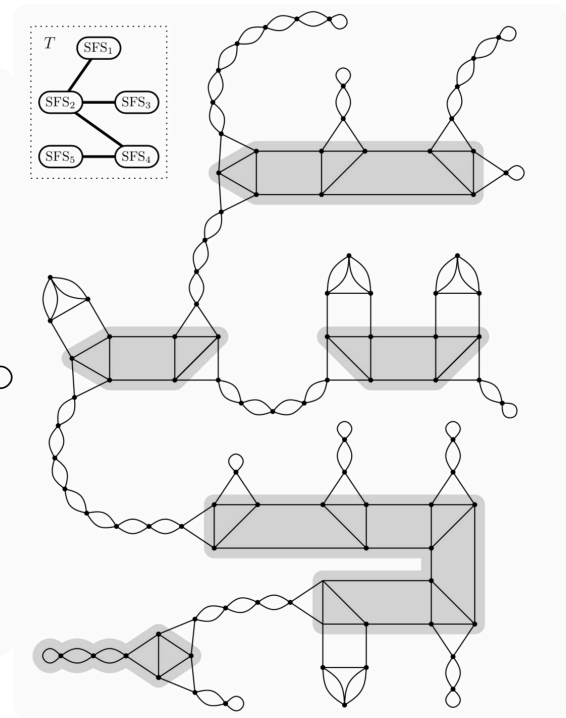
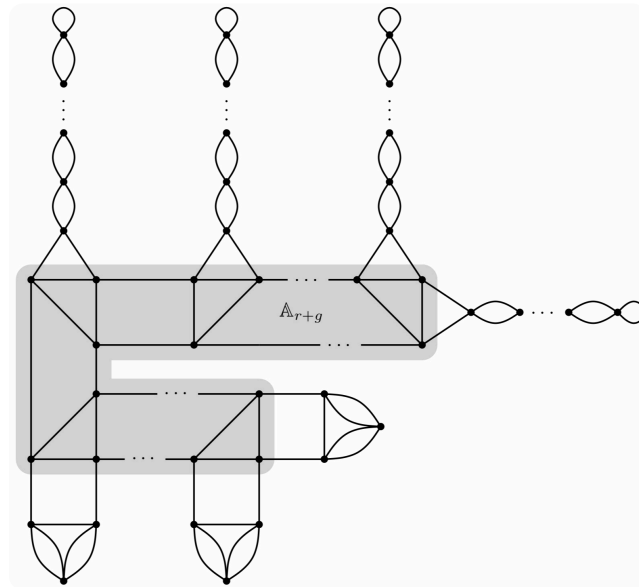
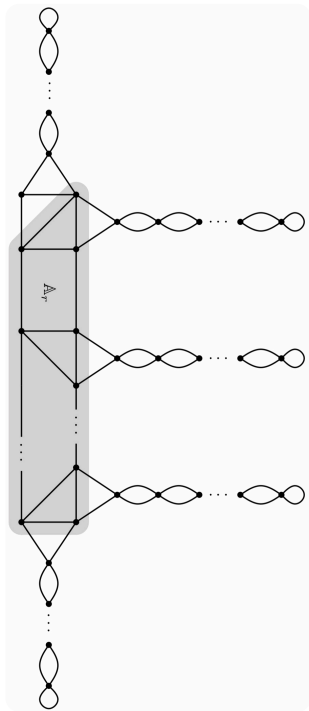
Q': Given 3-manifold M , what is $tw(M)$?

Answer to **Q'** helps answering initial question.


Building blocks of 3-manifolds: Geometric 3-manifolds



Triangulations of Seifert Fibrated Spaces with $tw=2$



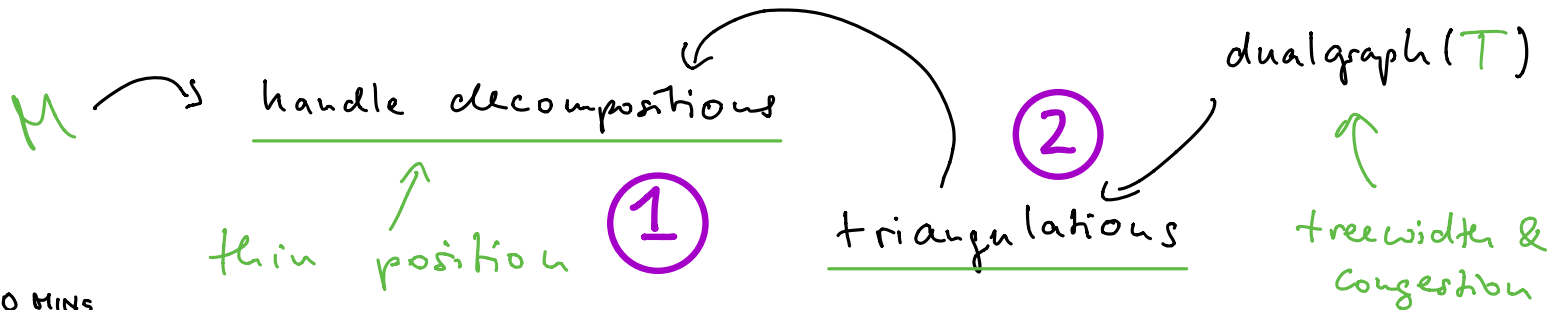
Q: Are there 3-manifolds of arbitrarily high treewidth?

Theorem (Huszár, S., Wagner) : Yes  ^{naive mathematician}

There exist 3-manifolds of arbitrarily high tree-width.

This theorem connects combinatorial properties of triangulations with topological properties of their underlying manifolds. ^{just like} $V - E + F = 2$

↳ What is the underlying link?



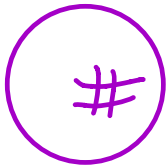
HANDLE DECOMPOSITIONS

k-handle :

- $\mathbb{B}^d = \mathbb{B}^{d-k} \times \mathbb{B}^k$
- $\partial(\mathbb{B}^{d-k} \times \mathbb{B}^k) = (\mathbb{S}^{d-k-1} \times \mathbb{B}^k) \cup (\mathbb{B}^{d-k} \times \mathbb{S}^{k-1})$

d=3:

0-handles



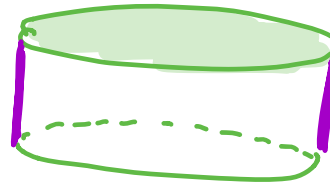
$$\mathbb{B}^3 \times \mathbb{B}^0 \cong$$

1-handles



$$\mathbb{B}^2 \times \mathbb{B}^1 \cong$$

2-handles



$$\mathbb{B}^1 \times \mathbb{B}^2 \cong$$

3-handles



$$\mathbb{B}^0 \times \mathbb{B}^3$$



$$(\mathbb{B}^2 \times \mathbb{S}^0) \cup (\mathbb{S}^1 \times \mathbb{B}^1) = \text{two purple circles} \cup \text{one green cylinder}$$

HANDLE DECOMPOSITIONS

Handle attachment:

dim: d

(1) Take an existing d -dim. manifold M

(2) Take a k -handle H_k

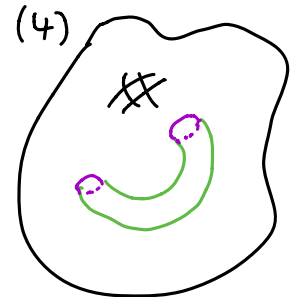
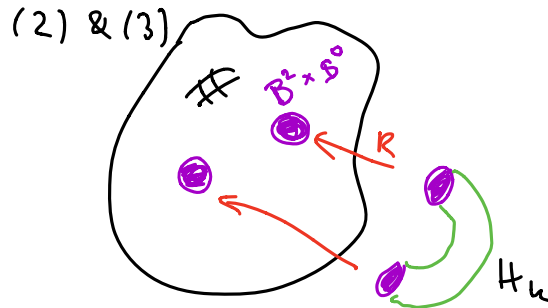
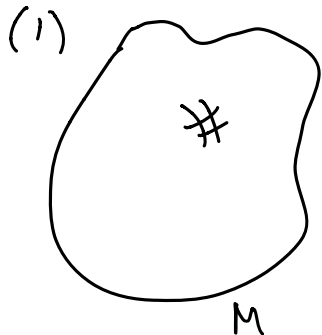
(3) Identify a region $R \cong \mathbb{B}^{d-k} \times \mathbb{S}^{k-1}$ on ∂M

(4) Glue H_k to M along R

attachment map

$$\rightarrow N = M \cup_R H_k$$

Example: $d=3$; $k=1$



HANDLE DECOMPOSITIONS

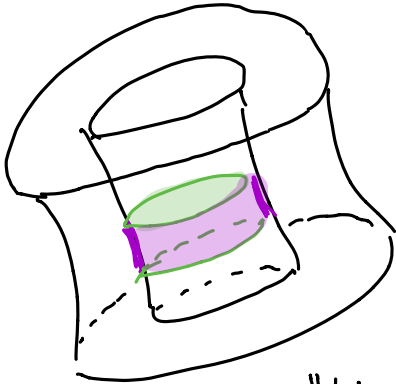
Handle attachments in dimension 3:

$k=0$

$\emptyset \mapsto$



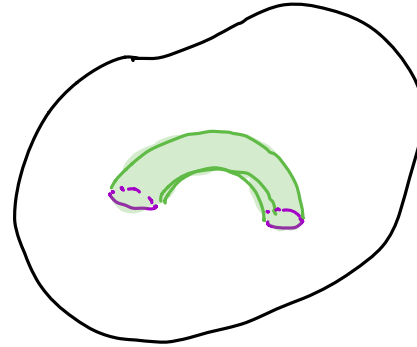
creating
connected
component



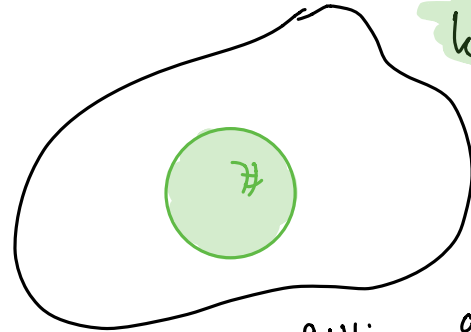
$k=2$

"blocking a
pipe"

"attaching
a handle"



$k=1$



$k=3$

filling a
void

HANDLE DECOMPOSITIONS

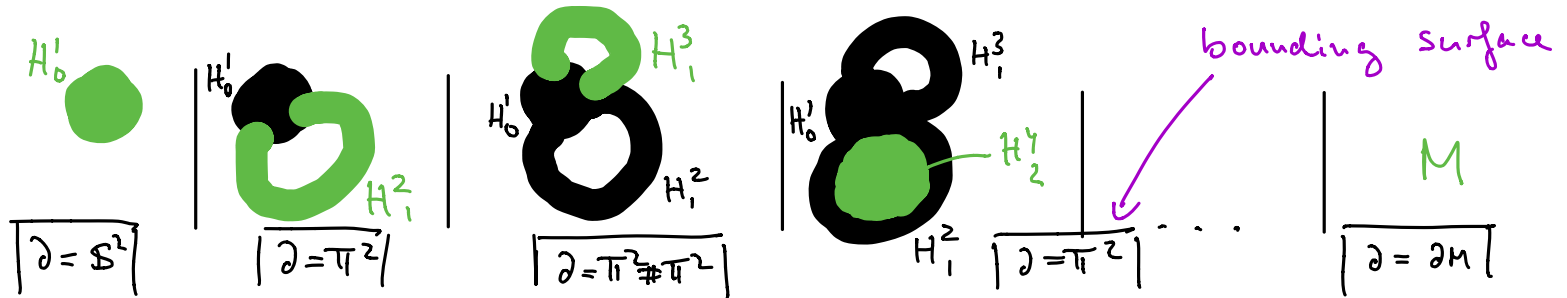
Thm: Every 3-manifold can be decomposed into handles

cut up manifold into handles
respecting attachment maps

$$M = \{ H_{i_1}^1, H_{i_2}^2, \dots, H_{i_n}^n \}$$

types of handle

Idea: Build up M handle by handle
by handle attachments

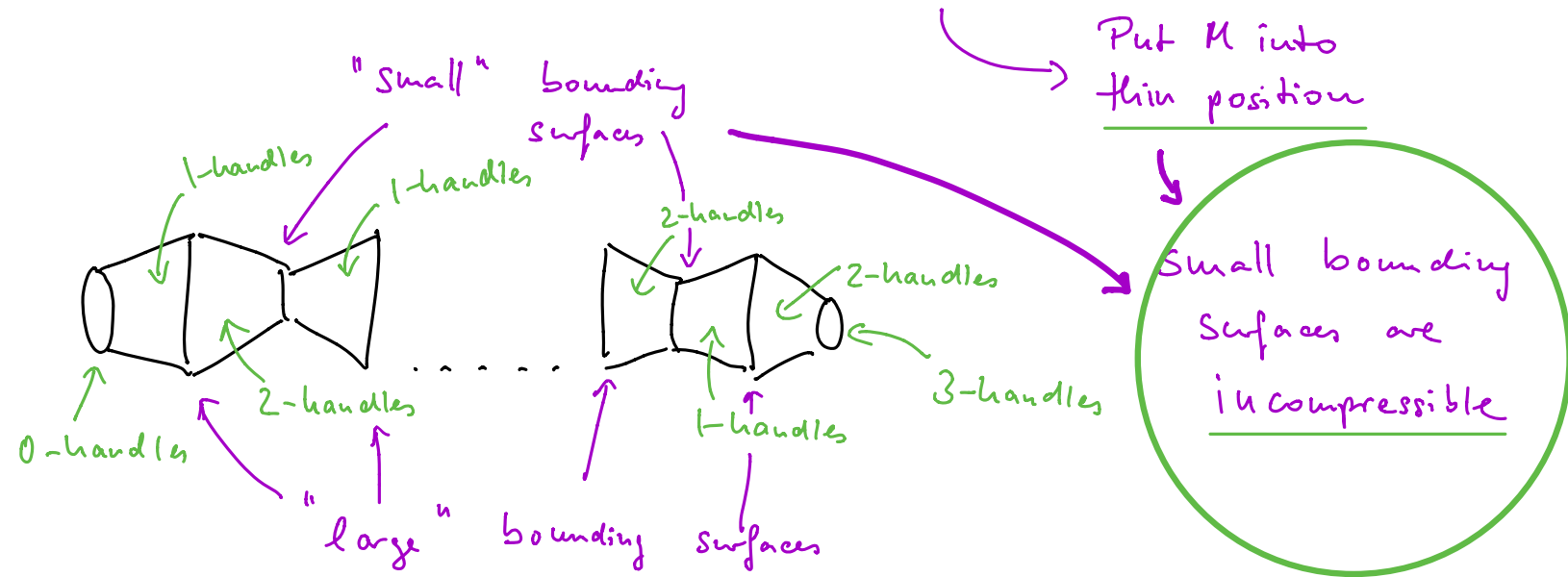


HANDLE DECOMPOSITIONS

Special case: Attach all 0- and 1- handles first

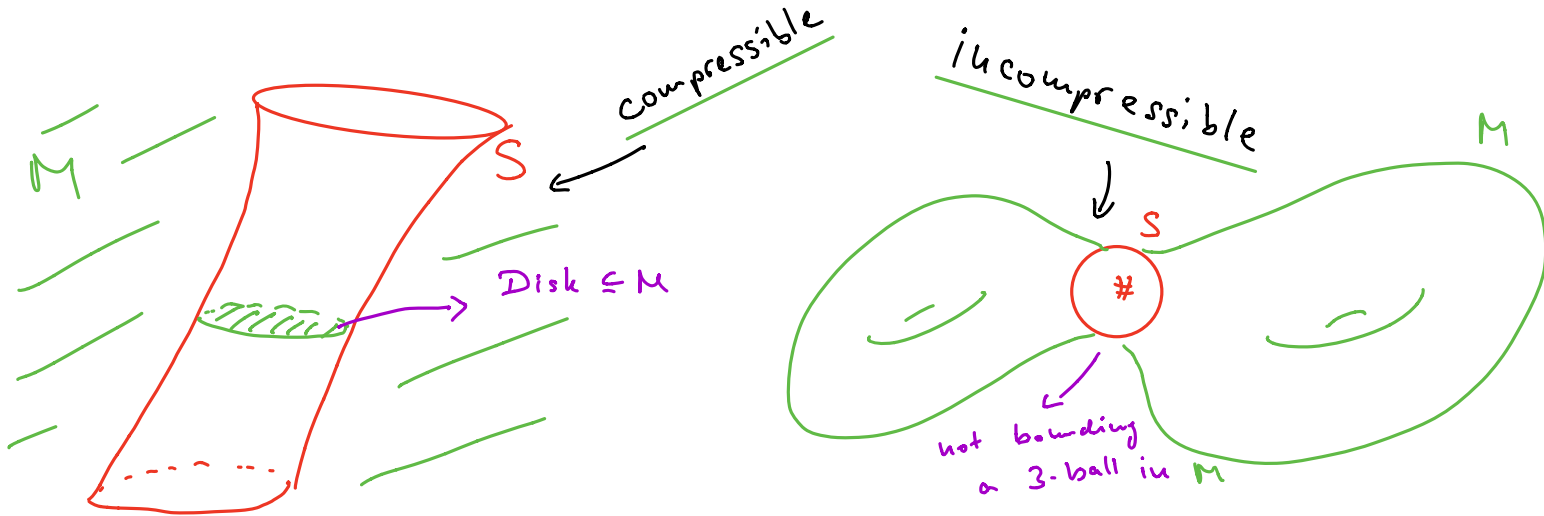
Heegaard Splitting $M = \text{handle body} \cup \text{handle body}$

Scharlemann & Thompson: Try to attach 1-handles as late as possible.
(1994)

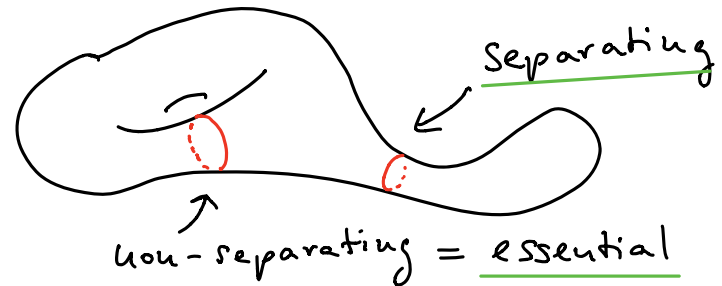


HANDLE DECOMPOSITIONS

- Dim = 3: Surfaces S in 3-manifolds M



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- Dim = 2: Curves on Surfaces:

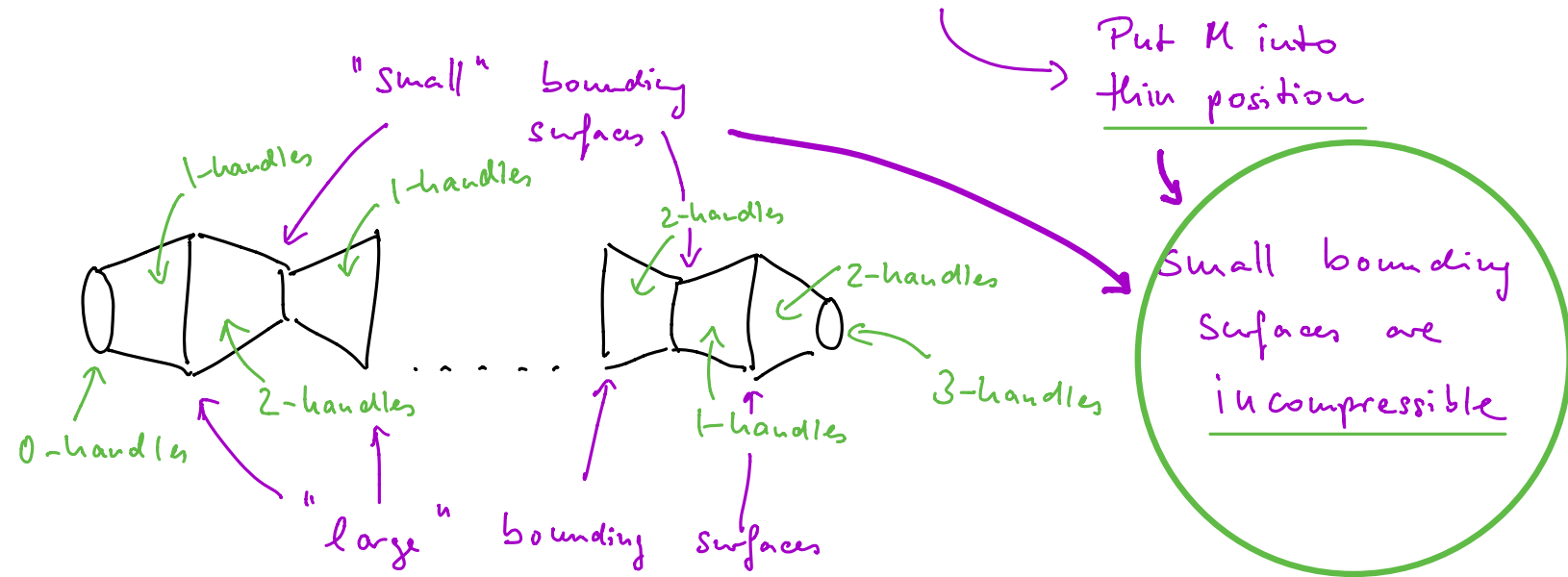


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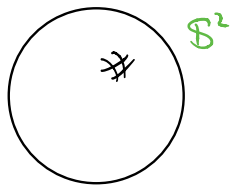
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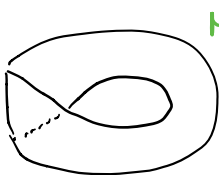
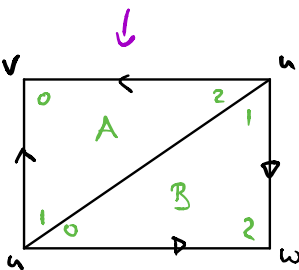
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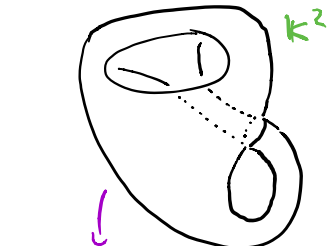
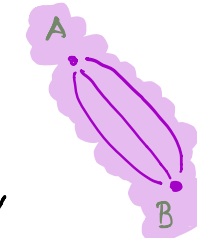
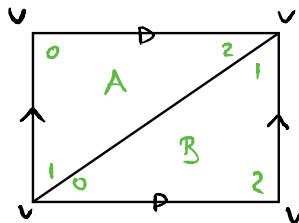
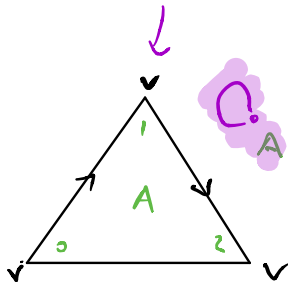
TRIANGULATIONS (2-D)



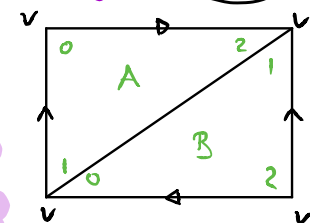
S^2



M^2



K^2



2 triangles
3 edges
3 vertices

$$\chi(S^2) = 2$$

1 triangle
2 edges
1 vertex

$$\chi(M^2) = 0$$

2 triangles
3 edges
1 vertex

$$\chi(\pi^2) = \chi(K^2) = 0$$

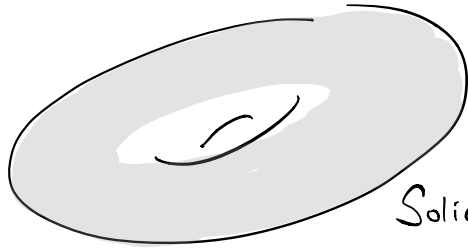
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A	A(02)	A(01)	B(01)	
B	A(12)	B(12)	B(02)	

	01	02	12	
A	A(12)		A(01)	

	01	02	12	
A	B(12)	B(02)	B(01)	
B	A(12)	A(20)	A(01)	

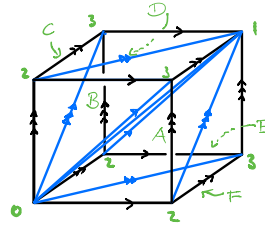
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TRIANGULATIONS (3-D)

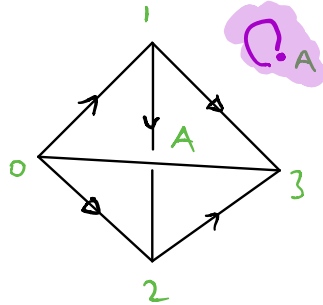
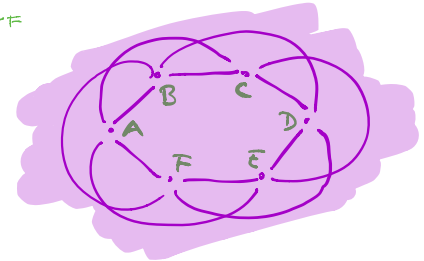


$$\mathbb{B}^2 \times \mathbb{I}^1$$

Solid torus



$$\mathbb{S}^1 \times \mathbb{S}^1 \times \mathbb{S}^1 = \mathbb{T}^3$$



	012	013	023	123
A	F(012)	B(013)	E(231)	C(302)
B	C(012)	A(013)	D(231)	F(302)
C	B(012)	D(013)	A(231)	E(302)
D	E(012)	C(013)	F(231)	B(302)
E	D(012)	F(013)	C(231)	A(302)
F	A(012)	E(013)	B(231)	D(302)

	012	013	023	123
A	A(123)			A(012)

closed

→ There are $\sim 13,400^V$ 3-manifolds admitting a triangulation of up to 11 tetrahedra.

CANONICAL HANDLE DECOMPOSITION

Connecting triangulations and handle decompositions

T triangulation:

0-handles \leftrightarrow tetrahedra

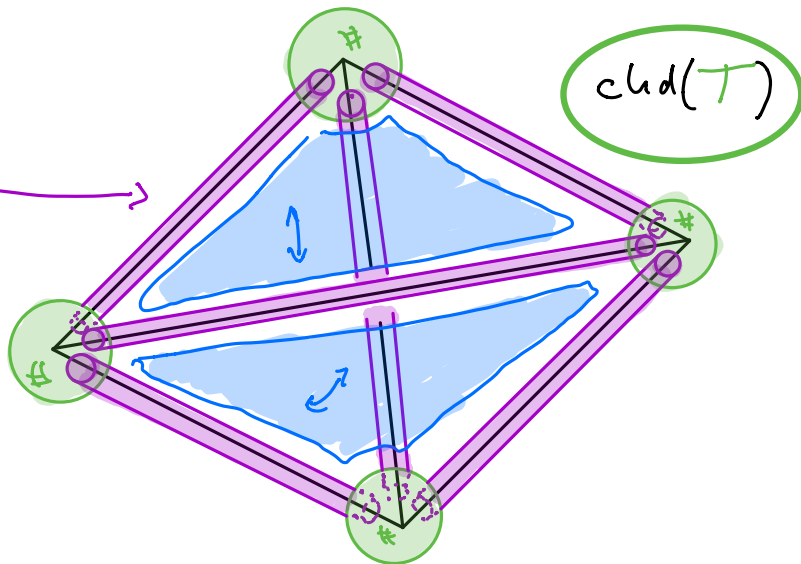
1-handles \leftrightarrow triangles

2-handles \leftrightarrow edges

3-handles \leftrightarrow vertices

0- & 1-handles:
"thickened dual graph"

2- & 3-handles:
"thickened graph"



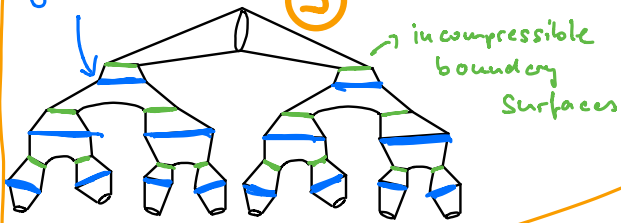
Thin (Agol) : There exist 3-mfds. M

- (a) requiring an unbounded number of handles
- (b) without incompressible surfaces

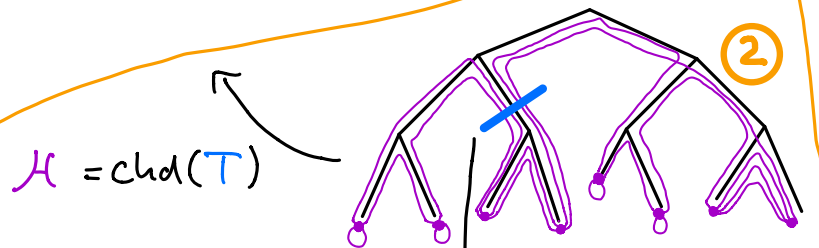
Thin (Saito, Schultens, Thompson) :

(B) Thin position works for arbitrary graph layouts

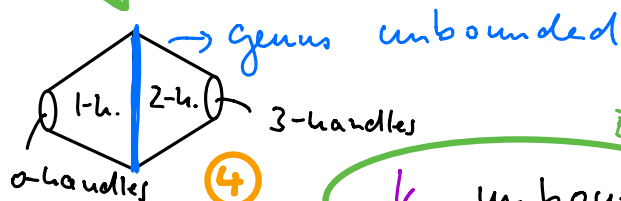
genus $\leq 24(k+1)$



M does not have incomp. surfaces

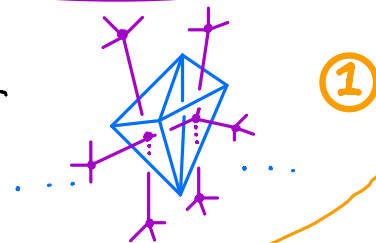


$$tw \leq k \Rightarrow \max |\text{cutset}| \leq 4(k+1)$$



k unbounded

START
Triangulation T of M
with $\text{dualgraph}(T) \leq k$



$tw \leq k$

THANK YOU

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