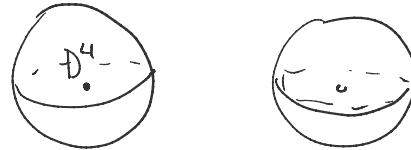


Handles: 4-dimensional  $k$ -handle  $D^k \times D^{4-k}$

attached along  $\underbrace{\partial D^k \times D^{4-k}}_{S^{k-1} \times D^{4-k}}$

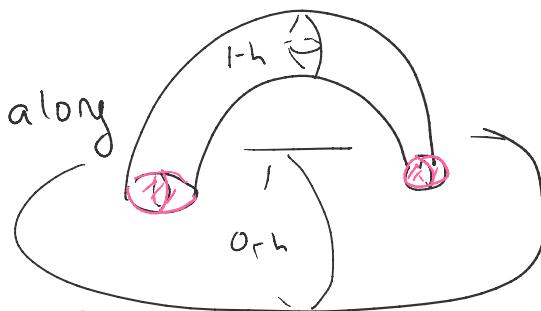
$k = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$

0-handle :  $D^0 \times D^4$



attached along  $\partial D^0 = \emptyset$   
 $S^{-1}$

1-handle :  $D^1 \times D^3$  attached along  
 $S^0 \times D^3$

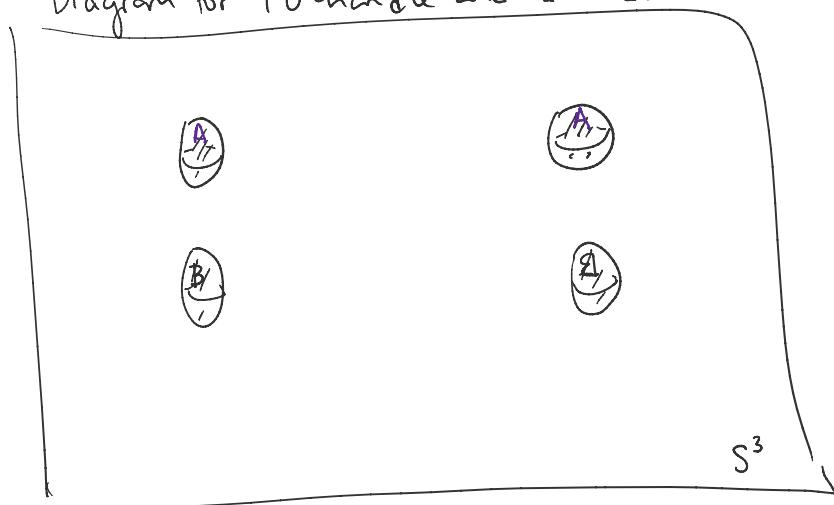


Note boundary of 0-handle is  $S^3$

Usually assume have a single 0-handle

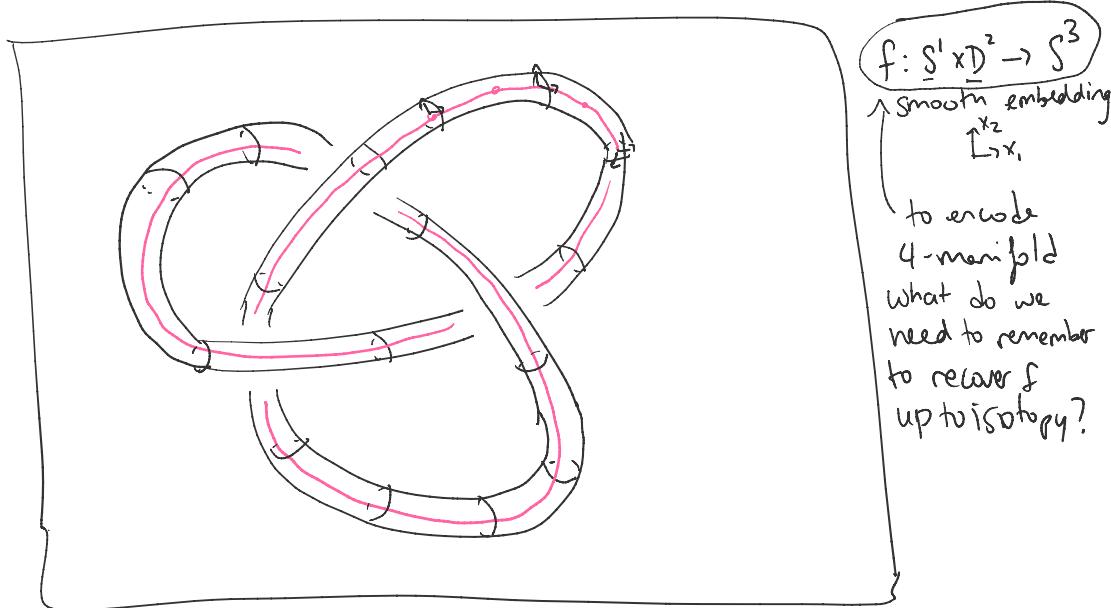
Glue handles to  $\partial(0\text{-handle}) = S^3 \leftarrow$  page we draw in

Diagram for 1 0-handle and 2 1-handles



2-handles  $D^2 \times D^2$  glued along  
 $S^1 \times D^2$   $\leftarrow$  solid torus

Beginner Case no 1-handles attaching 2-handles to a 0-handle



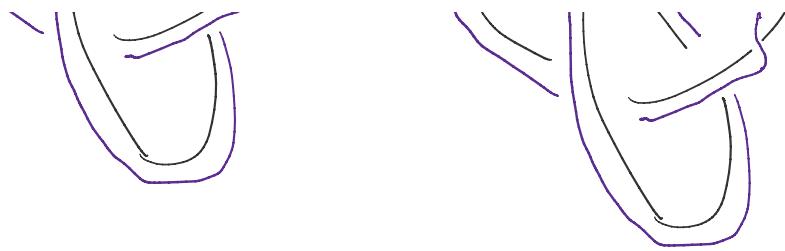
$f(S^1 \times \{t\})$  is a knot keep track of this knot up to isotopy  
to keep track of normal disk neighborhood embedding,  
need a framing  
For each point in  $S^1$  can compare  $\partial x_1, \partial x_2$  on  $S^1 \times D^2$   
with  $\{df(\partial x_1), df(\partial x_2)\}$  on  $f(S^1 \times D^2)$   
compare with chosen coordinate system for each pt in  $S^1$   
get a linear transformation taking one coord system to other

$$S^1 \longrightarrow \underline{GL^+(2, \mathbb{R})} \longrightarrow SO(2, \mathbb{R}) \cong S^1$$

End conclusion: Normal bundle information of  $f$  is encoded  
by an element of  $\pi_1(SO(2, \mathbb{R})) = \pi_1(S^1) \cong \mathbb{Z}$

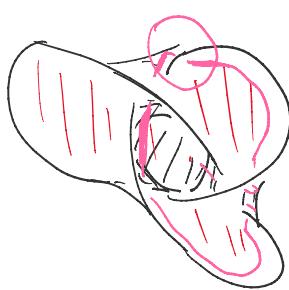
A framing is an integer.





Convention: 0-framing is Seifert framing

Pick a Seifert surface for knot

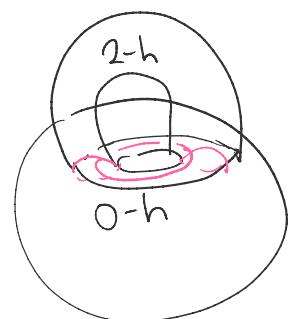
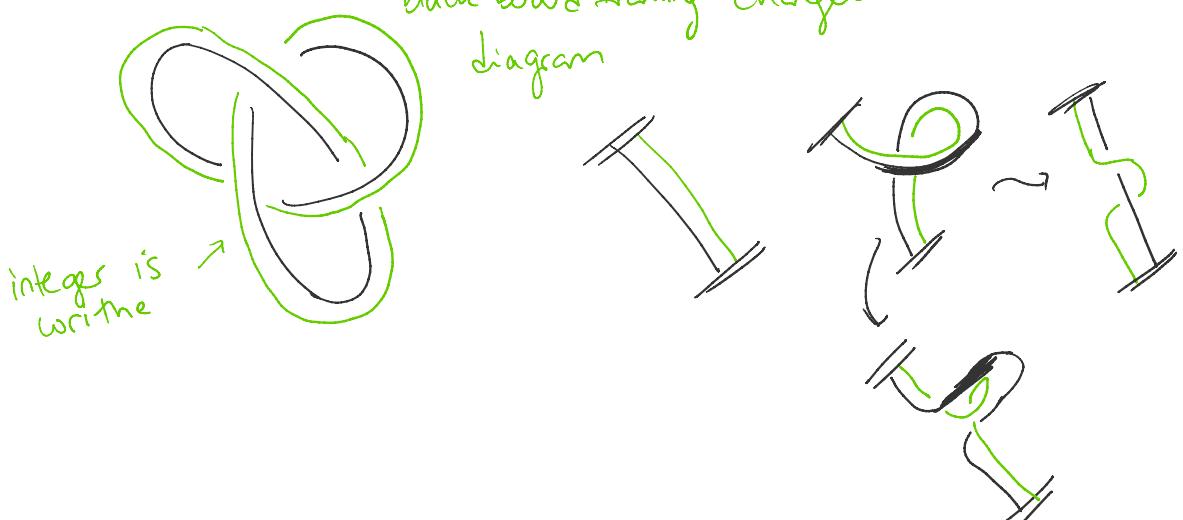


want parallel copy of  $K$  by  $\pi_1$  of Seifert surface

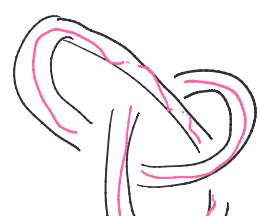
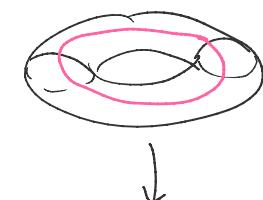
Each crossing contributes what looks like twisting in 0-framing

From a diagram -- blackboard framing

black board framing changes based on diagram

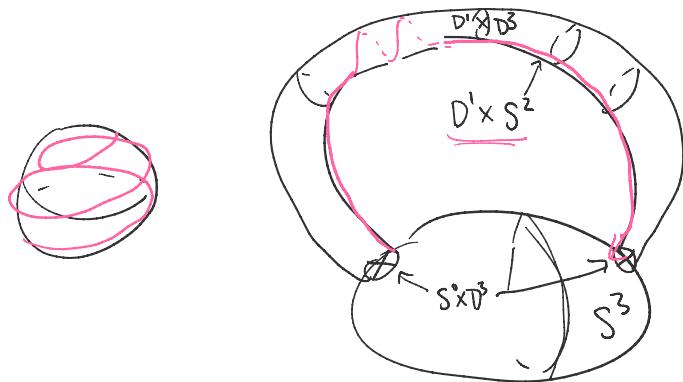


2-handle       $D^2 \times D^2$   
 $S^1 \times D^2$

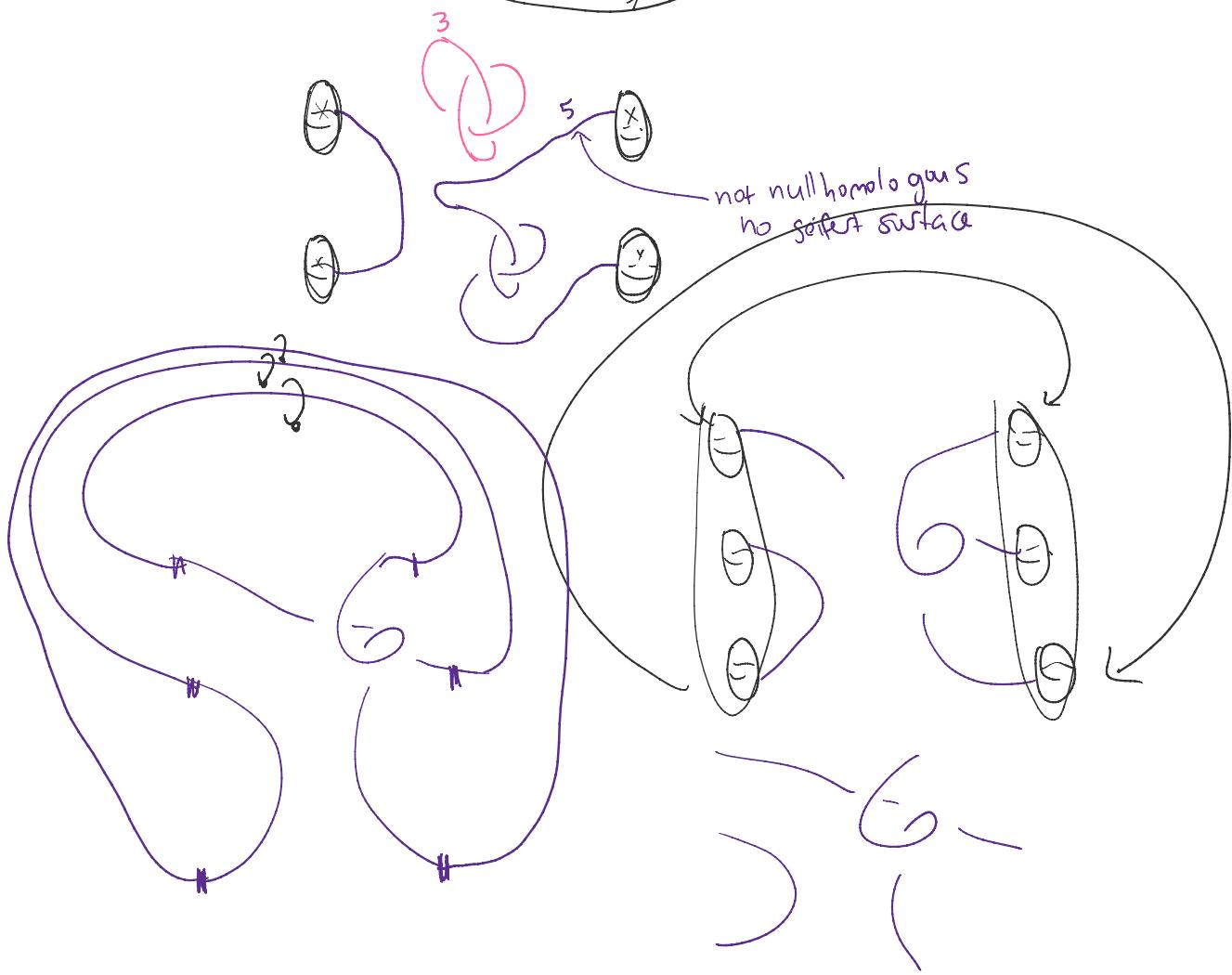
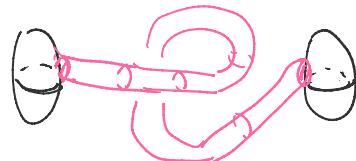


$\tau = 1 \dots 1 \text{ (n)} -1 \dots -1 \dots 1 \dots 1 \dots -1 \dots -1 \dots$

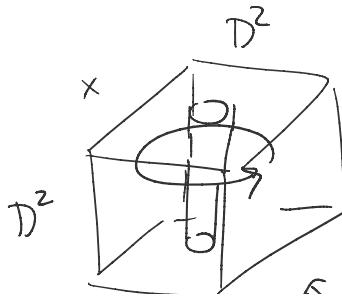
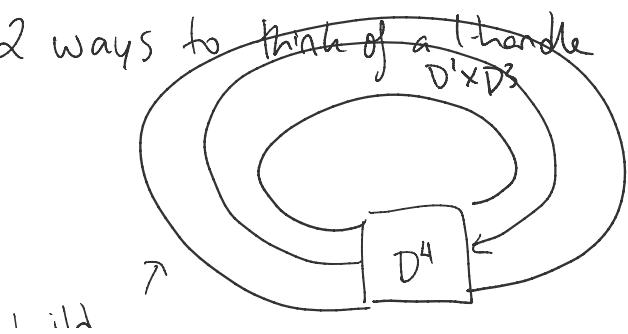
If I have both 0-handles and 1-handles

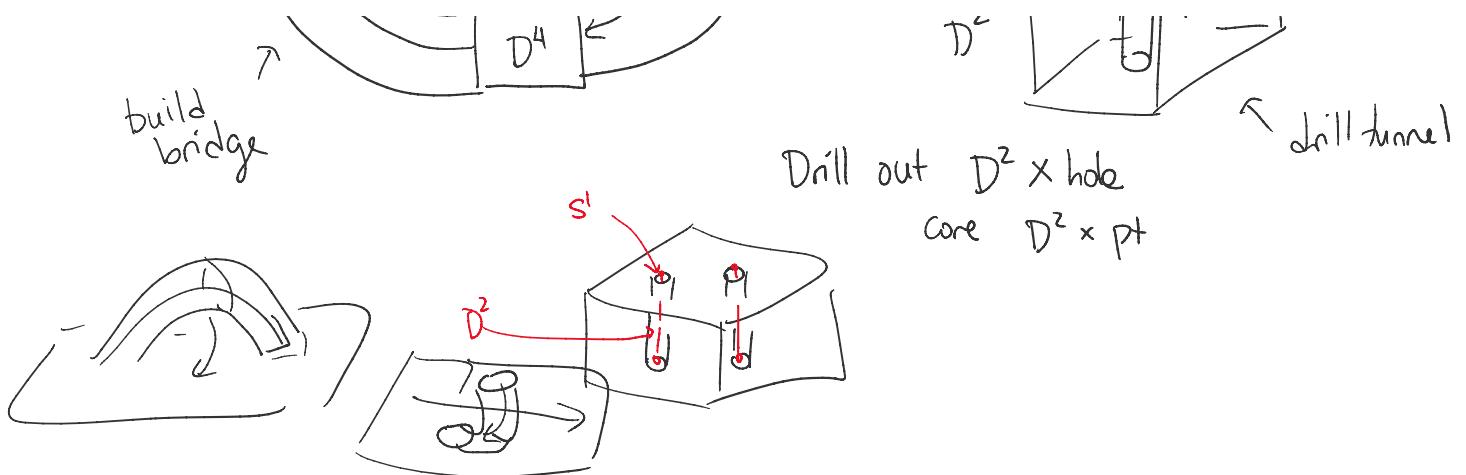


2-handle  
attached by gluing  $S^1 \times D^2$   
into  $\partial(0\text{-h} \cup 1\text{-h}'s)$

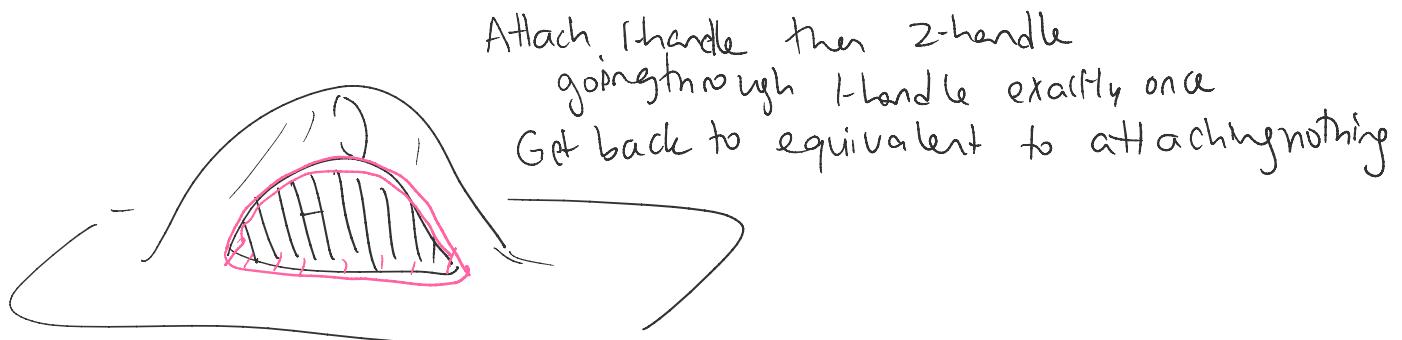
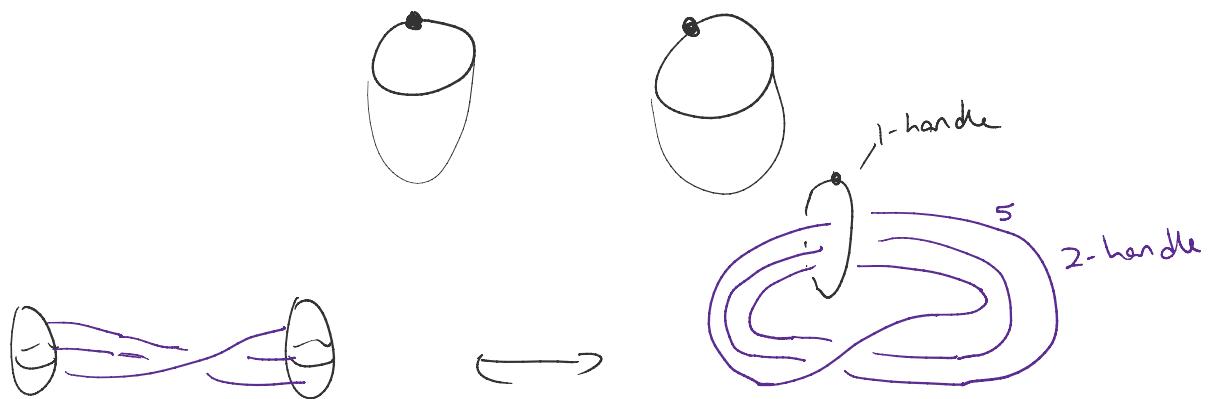


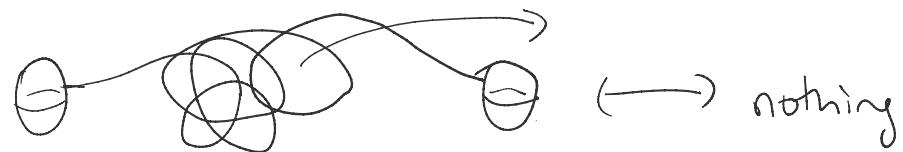
2 ways to think of a 1-handle



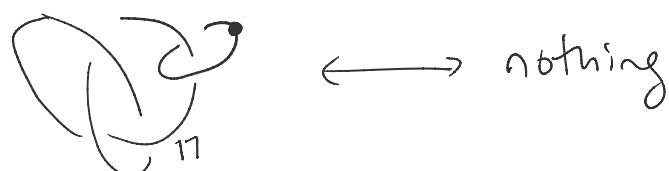


Can keep track of 1-handles by specifying a disk in 0-handle  
to drill out with unknotted boundary in  $S^3$

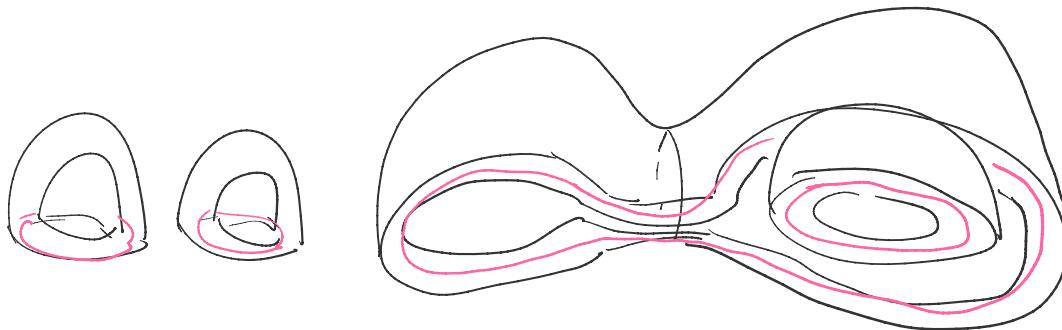
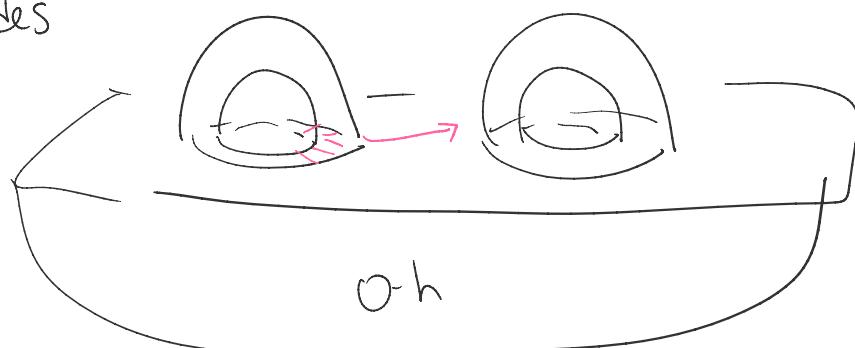




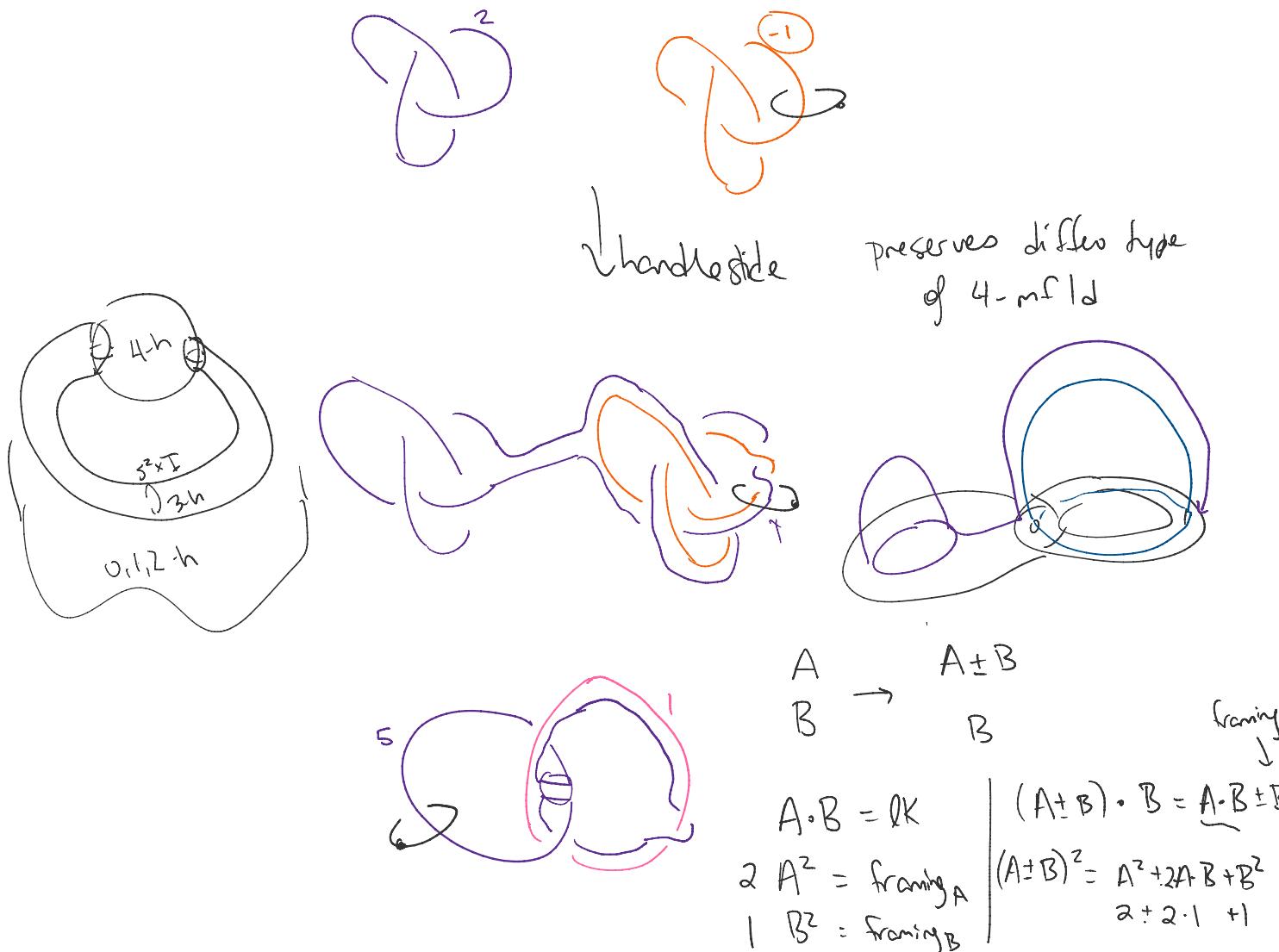
Undo knotting  
by isotopy



Handle slides



4-mflds:



Attaching a  $\alpha^2$ -handle this changes  
the boundary 3-manifold by <sup>integral</sup>  
<sub>Dehn</sub> surgery