

# LECTURE 10

## Chapter 4: Surfaces + Knots

Q What knot is the boundary of a Möbius band?

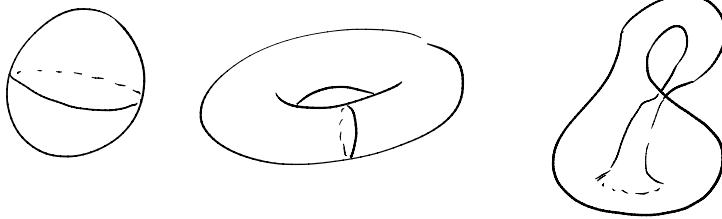
What happens if I twist the band 2x before gluing?  $k$  times?

defn. A surface or 2-manifold  $\Sigma$  is a topological space that locally looks like  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(closed)

↑ a neighborhood of  $p \in \Sigma$  is a set of points close to it  
(to carefully define this, we need point-set topology)

eg.

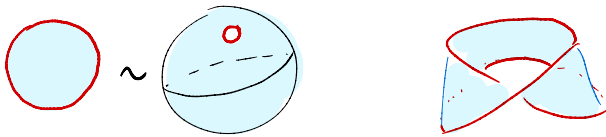


\* Not embedded in any ambient space!

A surface with boundary  $(F, \partial F)$  has 2 kinds of points:

- $p \in \text{interior}(F) = \overset{\circ}{F} \rightsquigarrow \nu(p) \sim \mathbb{R}^2$
- $p \in \text{boundary}(F) = \partial F \rightsquigarrow \nu(p) \sim \mathbb{R} \times [0, \infty)$

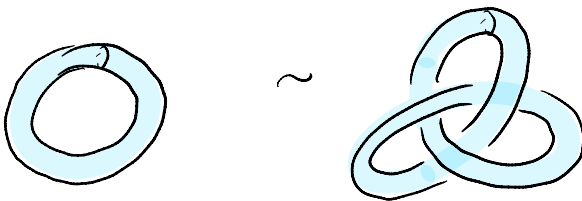
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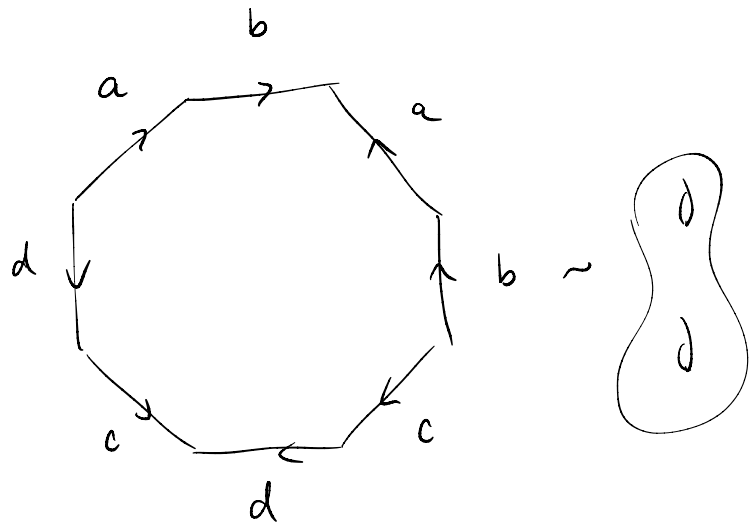
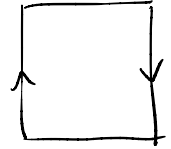
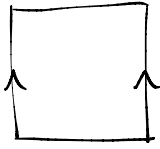
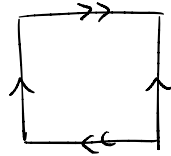
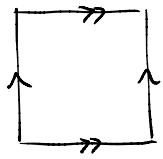
Surfaces are the "same" if they are homeomorphic,

i.e. you can match the points of  $F$  and  $F'$  up so that the nbhd behavior matches too:

eg.



# "Gluing" (Identification spaces)



## Properties:

• Orientability: Torus vs Klein bottle

Annulus vs. Mobius strip

} either  
 $\exists$  or  $\nexists$  an  
 orientation reversing  
 curve  
 (either 1 or 2 sides)

• Genus - intuitively

• Euler characteristic (CW decomposition)

- break down the surface into pieces that look like dots, lines, and disks glued together  $\chi = V - E + F$

- From  $\textcircled{0}$ ,  $\textcircled{1}$ ,  $\textcircled{2}$ , we see that for a closed orientable surface,  $\chi = 2 - 2g$ .

Fact  $\chi$  is a surface (homeomorphism class) invariant!

Why? Consider ① different way to cut

② different pictures (does this matter?)