Kirby Calculus

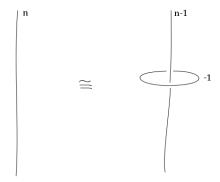
Exercise 1. Show that the blackboard framing of a knot depends on the way the knot is drawn on the blackboard – i.e. show that it is not an isotopy invariant.

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Exercise 2. Prove that 1-surgery applied to S^3 along the unknot with the canonical framing yields $S^1 \times S^2$.

Exercise 3. Prove that 1-surgery applied to S^3 along the unknot with either framing +1 or -1 gives back S^3 . Think about how you could define a diffeomorphism between two manifolds, each of which is described as a gluing of pieces.

Exercise 4. Show how to use Kirby 1 and Kirby 2 to prove that the following link surgeries give equivalent 3-manifolds. The vertical curve represents a part of a link component which continues outside our field of view.



Exercise 5. Show how to use Kirby 1 and Kirby 2 to prove that the following link surgeries give equivalent 3-manifolds. In this case, we have two vertical curves – we do not specify the framing of these since it does not change.

