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Makoto Ozawa

Closed incompressible surfaces of genus two in 3-bridge knot complements

A. Hatcher と W. Thurston により 2-bridge knot complement 内に closed incompressible surface が
無いこと（即ち、2-bridge knot が small であること）が示されています。この講演では、3-bridge knot
complement 内の genus two, closed incompressible surface の特徴付けをします。

山本 壁介 (大阪大学大学院理学研究科)
Ryosuke Yamamoto

On the open book decomposition supporting overtwisted contact structures and Stallings twist

閉 3 次元多様体の (positive) overtwisted contact structure をサポートする open book 分解を overtwisted
open book と呼ぶ。この様な open book 分解の特徴付けという問題に関して以下を報告する。

open book 分解の fiber 曲面が Stallings twist と呼ばれる操作を行える simple loop (twisting loop と呼
ぶ) を持つなら、それは overtwisted open book である事が分かる。この事実と、“同じ contact structure
をサポートする 2 つの open book 分解は、positive Hopf band の plumbing, deplumbing により移り合
う” という Giroux による結果に基づき、与えられた open book 分解の fiber 曲面に positive Hopf band
をいくつか plumbing することで、twisting loop を持つようにできる場合について考察する。

名倉 真紀 (横浜国立大学工学研究院)
Maki Nagura

A characterization of 2-component Brunnian links via Seifert matrices

We show some properties of a Seifert matrix of an n-component Brunnian link. In particular, we give
a sufficient condition for a matrix to be a Seifert matrix of a 2-component Brunnian link.

門上 晃久 (大阪市立大学数学研究所)
Teruhisa Kadokami

Reidemeister torsion and Seifert surgeries on knots in homology 3-spheres

We investigate Seifert surgery along a knot in a homology 3-sphere by using Reidemeister torsion. We
suggest that it may be better to classify Seifert surgery into three types such as norm one type, rational
type and norm zero type by corresponding the result of surgery to a branched cyclic covering space. In
rational type case, a value of the Alexander polynomial at a root of unity has an information of the
indices of singular fibers.
Toshio Saito

Lens spaces which are unobtainable by surgery on knots
(Mitsunori Ogawa, Department of Mathematics, Osaka University)

The question we consider in this talk is, which lens spaces are obtainable by surgery on knots in the 3-sphere? We first discuss this question for lens spaces of type $(p, q)$ with small $p$ or $q$. Next, we will particularly show that lens spaces containing Klein bottles are unobtainable by Berge's surgery on doubly primitive knots. We also give an algorithm to determine whether a given lens space is obtainable by Berge's surgery on doubly primitive knots.

Yuichi Yamada

Lens space surgeries and plane curves

J. Berge defined the family "doubly-primitive" knots that yield lens spaces by Dehn surgery, and classifying as several families and listed up them. I will point out that most of such knots are "divide knots" defined by N. A'Campo, and are presented by L-shaped plane curves. By such presentation, we can study the structure of Berge's knot family more. In this talk, I will talk about subfamilies (Berge's type I to VI) of knots in a solid torus yielding solid torus by Dehn surgery.

Masakazu Teragaito

Exceptional Dehn fillings at large distance

This talk reports on some recent results on exceptional Dehn fillings at large distance. The main result completes the determination of best possible upper bounds for the distance between two exceptional Dehn fillings yielding essential small surfaces in all ten cases for large hyperbolic 3-manifolds in the sense of Wu.

Reiko Shinjo

An infinite sequence of non conjugate braids having the same closures

By the Classification Theorem of closed 3-braids given by J. Birman and W. Menasco, it is known that there are only finitely many mutually non-conjugate $n$-braids ($n = 1, 2$ or $3$) having the same closure. Moreover they prove that if there is infinitely many mutually non-conjugate $n$-braids having the same closure, then all but finitely many of them are related by exchange moves. H. Morton discovered an infinite sequence of pairwise non-conjugate 4-braids whose closures are equivalent to the unknot and E. Fukunaga gave an infinite sequence of pairwise non-conjugate 4-braids whose closures are equivalent to the $(2, k)$-torus link for any $k$.

For any $n$-braid $b$ ($n \geq 3$) whose closure is a knot, we give an infinite sequence of pairwise non-conjugate $(n+1)$-braids which have the same closures as $b$ and we show that the closures of the braids in our sequence fall into a single equivalence class by exchange moves.
Refined Kirby calculus for rational homology 3-spheres of prime orders

Fumikazu Nagasato

向き付け可能な閉３次元多様体は、３次元球面内の枠付き絡み目に沿った Dehn 手術を使って表示可能である。２つの表示が同じ多様体を定めるとき、それらは Kirby 移動で移りあう（Kirby の定理）。扱う対象を整ホモロジー球面に絞ると、表示を使う枠付き絡み目を、絡み数が 0 で枠が ±1 となるものに制限できる。ただし、ホモロジー球面とは、ホモロジー群が球面のそれに同形な 3 次元多様体のことである。

そのような絡み目の族を念頭に、Habiro は安定化と「band slide」からなる、特殊な Kirby 移動を構成した。「band slide」は逐数的に打ち消しあう Kirby 移動の対となっているので、上の絡み目の族の中で、特殊な Kirby 移動は、閉じた絡み目の変形操作となっている。さらに、整数ホモロジー球面に対する Kirby の定理が Habiro により証明された。

本講演では、素数係数の有理ホモロジー球面を与える枠付き絡み目上で、この特殊な Kirby 移動を行う。とくに、4n − 1 (n は自然数）の形の素数に対し、Habiro の定理が拡張されることを示す。

Algebraic varieties via a deformation of the Kauffman bracket skein module

In this talk, we will try to get a better understanding of the variety L in terms of A-polynomial A(K(M,L)) by focusing on the number of its irreducible components. Then we will see a relationship of the variety with so-called the Casson-Lin invariant defined by X.-S.- Lin, which in fact inspired the above main idea, and moreover a relationship of the variety with the highest degree of the A-polynomial A_K(M,L) in terms of L.
杉村 真之助 (大阪市立大学大学院理学研究科)
Shinnosuke Sugimura

Multi-variable Alexander polynomial of certain Brunnian links

Borromean rings を拡張した Brunnian links $L_{a,b,c}$ の多変数 Alexander polynomial を計算し、この分類について報告します。

川見 将広 (大阪市立大学大学院理学研究科)
Masahiro Kawami

$\mathbb{Z}_2$-symplectic groups and genus 2 surface-knots

Let $\Sigma_g$ be an oriented connected closed surface of genus $g$ and $\mathcal{M}_g$ be the mapping class group of $\Sigma_g$; i.e., the group of all isotopy classes of orientation-preserving self-diffeomorphisms of $\Sigma_g$. We define $SP_g[q]$ as the subgroup of $\mathcal{M}_g$ consisting of mapping classes which preserve the given spin structure associated to the quadratic form $q$ on $H_1(\Sigma_g;\mathbb{Z}_2)$.

As is well-known, the automorphisms over $H_1(\Sigma_g;\mathbb{Z}_2)$ form the $\mathbb{Z}_2$-symplectic group $Sp(2g;\mathbb{Z}_2)$. In this talk, we will observe automorphisms over $H_1(\Sigma_g;\mathbb{Z}_2)$ induced by the elements of $SP_g[q]$, which form the subgroup of $Sp(2g;\mathbb{Z}_2)$. We will call this group the spin-preserving symplectic group, and determine it explicitly where the case is $g = 1$ and $g = 2$ respectively. We call the images of surfaces embedded in the 4-sphere surface-knots. Lastly we give an application to the surface-knot of genus two.

岩切 雅英 (広島大学大学院理学研究科)
Masahide Iwakiri

Unknotting singular surface braids by crossing changes

C. A. Giller proved that crossing change is an unknotting operation for surfaces in 4-space. In this talk, we present such an unknotting theorem for singular surface braids, which is given when they have no branch points by S. Kamada. As a consequence, we have Giller’s unknotting theorem.

田中 心 (東京大学大学院数理科学研究科)
Kokoro Tanaka

A canonical form for braid systems of surface braids

The notion of a surface braid was defined by Viro and extensively studied by Kamada. There exists a one-to-one correspondence between the set of (equivalence classes of) surface braids and each of the following two sets, and many results are obtained by using the correspondences. One is the set of (slide equivalence classes of) braid systems, where a braid system is a sequence of elements of the one-dimensional braid group. The other is the set of (C-move equivalence classes of) charts, where a chart is a graph in a two-dimensional disk.

In this talk, we define a canonical form of braid systems, and prove that any braid system can be deformed into a canonical form up to slide equivalence. Though either of braid systems or charts were used in many of previous studies, we obtain the following as an application by interpreting the canonical form of braid systems in terms of charts: Any surface braid can be deformed into an unknotted one by doing some operations, called crossing changes. (Iwakiri has a different proof of the above application.)
Shin Satoh

Quandle cocycle invariants and tangle embeddings

After a brief review of quandle cocycle invariants of knots and knotted surfaces, we will present results on the tangle embedding problem we have obtained using cocycle invariants. We use the table of tangles given by T. Kanenobu, H. Saito, and S. Satoh, and examine how much information we obtain from the quandle cocycle invariants, as to which tangles can or can not be embedded in which knots in the knot table. This is a group research project, and the members consist of K. Ameur, M. Elhamdadi, T. Rose, C. Smudde, and the speaker.

Masahico Saito

An algebra for the Alexander-Conway polynomial

We introduce an algebra for the Alexander-Conway polynomial. The Jones polynomial of a closed braid may be obtained from a representation of the Temperley-Lieb algebra. We define a new algebra by a modification of the definition of the Temperley-Lieb algebra. We show that the Alexander-Conway polynomial may be obtained from a representation of this algebra. Furthermore we introduce a bracket polynomial for the Alexander-Conway polynomial and investigate it. We obtain a construction of the Alexander-Conway polynomial through a smoothing decomposition.

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Alexander Stoimenow

3-valent graph のウェイト系と種数による交代結び目の双曲体積

I’ll try to explain a conjectural relation between the maximal volume of alternating knots of given genus and the $sl_N$ weight system of Vassiliev invariants of planar 3-valent graphs.
Deciding mutation with the colored Jones polynomial

(Alexander Stoimenow (東京大学大学院数理科学研究科) との共同研究)

We show knots where it is hard to decide whether they are mutants, in particular knots with the same 2-cable (HOMFLY and Kauffman) polynomial invariants, hyperbolic volume, and/or the same colored Jones polynomials.

Yasushi Kasahara

Jones 表現の忠実性に関する注意

V. Jones は絡み目の多項式不变量を定義した有名な論文の中で, n 箱の長方体 Young 図形 Y が与えられるごとに, 対角する組みへも群の岩堀-Hecke 環表現を modify して, n 個の穴あき球面の写像類群の 1 パラメータ付き線形表現を構成している. 本講演では, この表現の忠実性が, Y から箱一つ除いて得られる Young 図形に対応する組みへも群の岩堀-Hecke 環表現の忠実性と同值であることを示す. また, 特に n=6 の場合, kernel が Birman-Hilden 理論を経由して, 種数 2 の Torelli 群に超対角的対応を法として含まれるすることを示す.

Takahito Kuriya

摂動的不变量のスピン分解について

3 次元多様体 M の不変量を対 (M, Ω ) の不変量の和に分離しようという試みがある (Ω はスピン構造もしくはホモロジーの元). その summand 全体の集合は, 特に Betti 数が 1 より大きな多様体に対しては, 元の不変量より強力であろうと予想されている. 量子不変量に対しては R.Kirby 氏と P.Melvin 氏, C.Blanchet 氏, 村上元氏等により分解は成功している. 量子不変量のある種の極限である摂動的不変量や LMO 不変量に対してはまだ成されていなかったのであるが, ごく最近, ある特別なクラスに対してスピン・コホモロジー分解の摂動的不変量バージョンが, 定義された. この A.Beliakova 氏, C.Blanchet 氏, T.Le 氏による結果の紹介と, これの LMO 不変量版についても考察したいと思っている.
In this talk we will deal with strongly invertible non-trivial knots (and sometimes links) in the three sphere $S^3$. A knot $K$ in $S^3$ is called strongly invertible when there is an involution for $(S^3, K)$ with axis $\alpha$ such that $K \cap \alpha$ consists of exactly two points.

For such a knot, the $n/2$-fold cyclic branched covering is defined as follows:

(i) Take a quotient of $(S^3, K)$ by the involution $\iota$. Then we have $S^3/\iota$ (which is homeomorphic to $S^3$) with a spatial graph $G$ as the image of $K \cup \alpha$.

(ii) Take the $n$-fold cyclic branched covering of $(S^3/\iota, G)$ along $\alpha$. Then we have the $n$-fold cyclic branched covering of $S^3/\iota$ (which is again homeomorphic to $S^3$) with a spatial graph $G'$ as the pre-image of $G - \alpha$ by the covering.

By the definition of the construction, the graph $G'$ has two vertices with $n$-edges. Such a spatial graph is called a $\theta_n$-curve.

A spatial graph $G$ is called hyperbolic if its exterior admits suitable complete hyperbolic structure. Since hyperbolic knots are the most common knots, it is natural to study from which knots hyperbolic graphs appear. The main result of this talk is to give a necessary and a sufficient condition about it:

**Theorem 1.** Let $K$ be a non-trivial strongly invertible knot in $S^3$ admitting an involution with axis $\alpha$, and $K_n$ the strongly periodic $\theta_n$-curve obtained from $K$ by the $n/2$-fold cyclic branched covering along $\alpha$. Then the following three conditions are equivalent:

1. For any $n \geq 3$, $K_n$ is hyperbolic.
2. For some $n \geq 3$, $K_n$ is hyperbolic.
3. There is no essential torus in the exterior of $K \cup \alpha$.

We also discuss the relationship between strongly periodic hyperbolic $\theta_n$-curves and several particular classes of strongly invertible knots; simple knots and tunnel number one knots.
Tomoe Motohashi

A prime decomposition theorem for handcuff graphs in $S^3$

We define a prime decomposition for a handcuff graph by $2$-spheres each of which intersects the handcuff at exactly three points and prove that every irreducible handcuff graph can be uniquely decomposed into a finite number of prime handcuffs and $\theta$-curves.

Miyuki Okamato

On the intrinsic knottedness of a cat’s cradle graph of $K_5$

We exhibit that a cat’s cradle graph of the complete graph with five vertices is intrinsically knotted.

Ryo Nikkuni

Homotopy on spatial graphs and the Sato-Levine invariant

Edge-homotopy and vertex-homotopy are equivalence relations on spatial graphs which are generalizations of Milnor’s link-homotopy. We introduce some edge (resp. vertex)-homotopy invariants of spatial graphs by applying the Sato-Levine invariant for the 2-component constituent algebraically split links and show examples of non-splittable spatial graphs up to edge (resp. vertex)-homotopy all of whose constituent links are link-homotopically trivial.


Gengyu Zhang

Crosscap numbers of two-component links

We define the crosscap number for a 2-component link as the minimum of the first Betti numbers of connected, non-orientable surfaces bounding the link. We discuss some properties of the crosscap numbers of 2-component links.

Yasuyoshi Tsutsumi

キャッソン不変量と2成分絡み目

2成分絡み目からなるframed linkのキャッソン不変量の計算をする。とくにこの講演では、メイザーのホモロジー球面のキャッソン不変量の性質を紹介します。
An Energy Function for Polynomial knots

It is well known that every knot-type has a representative given by a polynomial embedding from $\mathbb{R}$ to $\mathbb{R}^3$ and such a representation is not unique. Also two polynomial representations of the same knot-type can be continuously deformed by a one parameter family of polynomial embeddings. In this situation the question of choosing an ideal polynomial representation makes sense. We have made an effort to define an energy function on the space of polynomial knots and based on this function we call a polynomial representation of a given knot-type with minimum energy to be the ideal one.

Kazuhiro Ichihara

Crosscap numbers of pretzel knots

For a non-trivial knot $K$ in the 3-sphere, the crosscap number is defined as the minimal first betti number of non-orientable spanning surfaces for $K$. It was originally defined by B.E. Clark in [1], and, for torus knots and two-bridge knots, formulae of crosscap numbers were obtained in [3, 2], recently. In this talk, we will give a simple formula of the crosscap number for pretzel knots.

Yukihiro Tsutsumi

On the crosscap numbers of knots and essential tangle decompositions

This is an expository talk. It is well-known that any hyperbolic knot of genus one does not admit 2-string essential tangle decompositions. In this talk we focus on essential tangle decompositions of knots with crosscap number two or three. As an application we give a short proof that the ribbon number of the Kinoshita-Terasaka knot is three. How about Conway’s knots?