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AN INFINITE FAMILY OF NON-INVERTIBLE SURFACES IN 4-SPACE

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ABSTRACT

A proof is given that for each non-negative integer g , there is an infinite family of knotted surfaces of genus g , none of which is ambient isotopic to itself with the orientation reversed.

1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, surfaces embedded in the 4-space \mathbb{R}^4 are connected, closed, and oriented. Such a knotted surface is called *non-invertible* if it is not ambient isotopic to itself with the orientation reversed. For knotted 2-spheres, there are several studies on non-invertibility; see [4, 5, 7, 9, 14], for example. However, most of the known methods of proving non-invertibility cannot be applied directly to knotted surfaces of higher genus. In [2], Carter, Jelsovsky, Kamada, Langford and Saito introduced the quandle cocycle invariants of knotted surfaces, which can detect non-invertibility regardless of genus. Our concern in this paper is mainly with the twist-spins of classical knots, introduced by Zeeman [16]. For integers $g \geq 0$ and $m, n, r \geq 2$ such that m and n are relatively prime, let $F_g^r(m, n)$ denote the knotted surface of genus g obtained from the r -twist-spin of the (m, n) -torus knot by surgery along g trivial 1-handles. The following is our main theorem, proved by calculating the cocycle invariant of $F_g^r(m, n)$ associated with Mochizuki's 3-cocycle (see [11]).

THEOREM 1.1. *Suppose that m is odd. Then the knotted surface $F_g^r(m, n)$ is non-invertible if there is a prime factor p of m satisfying the following conditions:*

- (i) $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$,
- (ii) m is not divisible by p^2 ,
- (iii) n is even, and
- (iv) r is even, and is not divisible by p .

Therefore, for each non-negative integer g , there is an infinite family of non-invertible knotted surfaces of genus g .

In order to calculate the cocycle invariant systematically, some difficulties must first be overcome. In Section 2, we review the definition of quandle cocycle invariants, where we reformulate Mochizuki's 3-cocycle [11] of a dihedral quandle (Example 2.1). In Section 3, we give a diagram representing any twist-spin, which is more pictorial than that given in [15]. Section 4 is devoted to the introduction of a modified cocycle invariant of a classical knot in \mathbb{R}^3 , which was motivated by Rourke and Sanderson's observation [13]. In Section 5, we study colorings for

twist-spins by quandles. In particular, for dihedral quandles we prove that the cocycle invariant of a twist-spin is obtained directly from that of the associated classical knot (Theorem 5.4). In Section 6, we calculate the cocycle invariants of torus knots and their twist-spins concretely, by using Mochizuki's 3-cocycle (Theorem 6.3). We conclude the paper with the proof of Theorem 1.1.

2. Preliminaries

A *quandle* [8, 10] is a set Q with a binary operation $*$ satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) $a * a = a$ for any $a \in Q$,
- (ii) the map $*a : Q \rightarrow Q$ defined by $x \mapsto x * a$ is bijective for each $a \in Q$, and
- (iii) $(a * b) * c = (a * c) * (b * c)$ for any $a, b, c \in Q$.

The homology and cohomology theory for quandles is developed in [2]; it is similar to that for groups. For an abelian group G , let $C^n(Q; G)$ be the free abelian group generated by the maps $f : Q^n \rightarrow G$ satisfying $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 0$ if $x_k = x_{k+1}$ for some $k = 1, \dots, n-1$. The coboundary map

$$\delta^n : C^n(Q; G) \rightarrow C^{n+1}(Q; G)$$

is given by

$$(\delta^n f)(x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) = \sum_{k=2}^{n+1} (-1)^k \left\{ f(x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_{k+1}, \dots, x_{n+1}) - f(x_1 * x_k, \dots, x_{k-1} * x_k, x_{k+1}, \dots, x_{n+1}) \right\}.$$

The quandle cohomology group $H^*(Q; G)$ is defined by $\{C^*(Q; G), \delta^*\}$ in the usual manner, and the cocycle and coboundary groups are denoted by $Z^*(Q; G)$ and $B^*(Q; G)$, respectively.

EXAMPLE 2.1. The set $\{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$ becomes a quandle under the binary operation $a * b \equiv 2b - a \pmod{p}$, which is called the *dihedral quandle* of order p , and is denoted by R_p . Mochizuki [11] proved that $H^3(R_p; \mathbb{Z}_p) \cong \mathbb{Z}_p$ for any odd prime p , and gave an explicit presentation of its generator. By an easy calculation, his 3-cocycle turns out to be the sum of two polynomials θ_p and ν_p , given by

$$\begin{cases} \theta_p(x, y, z) = (x - y) \frac{(2z - y)^p + y^p - 2z^p}{p}; \\ \nu_p(x, y, z) = 4(x - y)(y - z)z^{p-1} + (x - y)^2 \{ (2z - y)^{p-1} - y^{p-1} \}. \end{cases}$$

Note that the coefficients of the polynomial $(2z - y)^p + y^p - 2z^p$ are divisible by p . Since it can be checked by hand that $\delta^3 \theta_p = 0$ and $\nu_p = \delta^2 f$ for $f(x, y) = (x - y)^2 y^{p-1} \in C^2(R_p; \mathbb{Z}_p)$, we have $\theta_p \in Z^3(R_p; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ and $\nu_p \in B^3(R_p; \mathbb{Z}_p)$. Hence $[\theta_p] \in H^3(R_p; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ is also a generator. We adopt this presentation θ_p as the Mochizuki 3-cocycle. Note that θ_p satisfies

$$\theta_p(x * z, y * z, z) = -\theta_p(x, y, z), \quad \text{for any } x, y, z \in R_p.$$

To describe a knotted surface, we use a fixed projection of \mathbb{R}^4 onto \mathbb{R}^3 , as well as a description of a classical knot into the plane. A (*surface*) *diagram* of a knotted surface $F \subset \mathbb{R}^4$ is the image of F by the projection that has double-point curves,

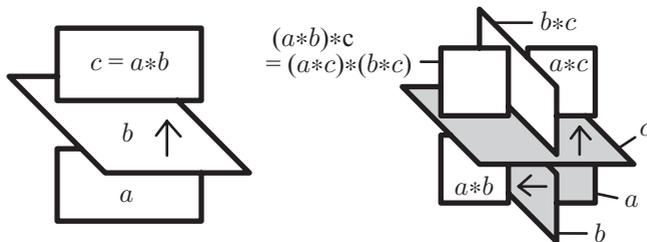


FIGURE 1.

isolated triple points, and isolated branch points as singularities, where we indicate crossing information in the usual manner. (Refer to [1], for example.) In particular, two sheets intersect along a double curve locally; one is underneath the other, relative to the projection direction. The under-sheet is shown broken in a diagram, so that the diagram consists of connected regions separated by over-sheets.

Let D be a diagram of F , and $\Sigma(D)$ the set of such connected regions of D . A map $C : \Sigma(D) \rightarrow Q$ into a quandle Q is a Q -coloring of D if it satisfies the following condition along every double-point curve: if $a = C(\alpha_1)$ and $c = C(\alpha_2)$ are the colors of the under-sheets α_1 and α_2 separated by the over-sheet β colored by $b = C(\beta)$, where the orientation normal of β points from α_1 to α_2 , then $a * b = c$ holds (see the left-hand diagram in Figure 1). We denote the set of such Q -colorings of D by $\text{Col}_Q(D)$.

Each triple point t of D is assigned the sign $\varepsilon(t) = \pm 1$ induced from the orientation; specifically, $\varepsilon(t) = +1$ if and only if the ordered triple of the orientation normals of, respectively, the top, middle, and bottom sheets agrees with the orientation of \mathbb{R}^3 . Given a Q -coloring $C \in \text{Col}_Q(D)$, the colors of the sheets near t are characterized by three colors $a = C(\alpha)$, $b = C(\beta)$ and $c = C(\gamma)$, where γ is the top sheet, β is the middle sheet from which the orientation normal of γ points, and α is the bottom sheet from which the orientation normals of β and γ point. The ordered triple (a, b, c) is denoted by $C(t) \in Q^3$ (see the right-hand diagram in Figure 1, where the sheets α , β , and γ are shaded).

Assume that Q is a finite quandle. Given a 3-cocycle $f \in Z^3(Q; G)$, we define the Boltzmann weight at t by $W_f(t; C) = f(a, b, c)^{\varepsilon(t)} \in G$, where $C(t) = (a, b, c)$ and G is written multiplicatively. Then the cocycle invariant of F associated with f is the state-sum

$$\Phi_f(F) = \sum_{C \in \text{Col}_Q(D)} \left[\prod_{t \in X_3(D)} W_f(t; C) \right] \in \mathbb{Z}[G],$$

valued in the group-ring $\mathbb{Z}[G]$, where $X_3(D)$ denotes the set of triple points of D . This is proved in [2] to be an invariant of F that does not depend on the choice of a diagram D of F .

3. Diagrams of twist-spun knots

For each non-negative integer r , Zeeman [16] constructed a knotted 2-sphere from a classical knot K . This is called the r -twist-spin of K , and is denoted by $\tau^r K$. Let T be a tangle diagram whose closure presents K . In this section, we construct a diagram of $\tau^r K$ from T ; this is more pictorial than that given in [15].

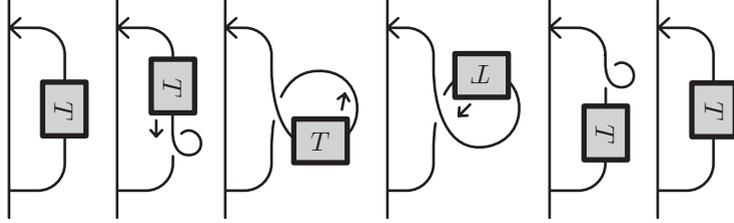


FIGURE 2.

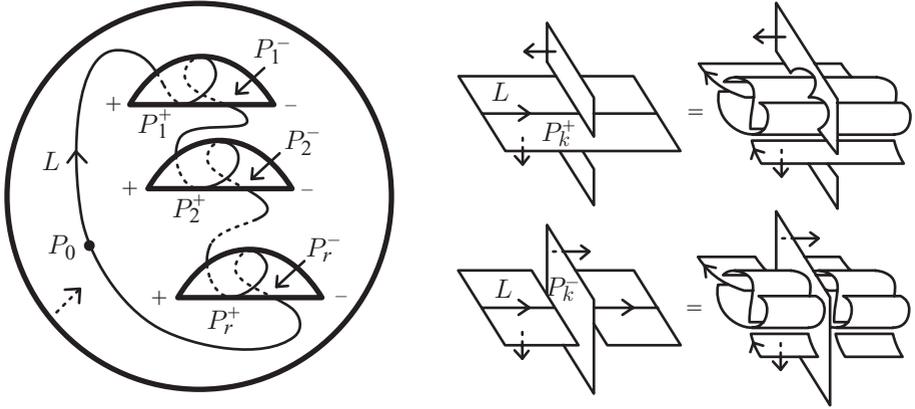


FIGURE 3.

Consider a motion picture of tangle diagrams in the upper half-plane \mathbb{R}_+^2 , as shown in Figure 2 (reading from left to right), with the boundary-points of T fixed. We give \mathbb{R}^3 an open book structure $\mathbb{R}_+^2 \times \mathbb{S}^1$, where its binding is the boundary of \mathbb{R}_+^2 , and we regard each page \mathbb{R}_+^2 as a frame of the motion. Since the motion presents one full twist of T , the trace of the motion, repeated r times, describes a surface diagram of $\tau^n K$ in $\mathbb{R}_+^2 \times \mathbb{S}^1$. We denote the diagram of $\tau^r K$ thus obtained by $D^r T \subset \mathbb{R}^3$.

The diagram $D^r T$ is directly constructed as follows. First, we consider a 2-sphere in \mathbb{R}^3 with r kinks, as shown on the left-hand side of Figure 3, and we give crossing information along the double-point curves as in the middle; for the signs of the branch points, refer to [1], for example. We fix an orientation of the sphere such that the orientation normal points toward the inside, except for the kinks. Let L be an oriented simple closed curve with a base point P_0 , which goes around the kinks. Then the diagram $D^r T$ is obtained by replacing an annulus-neighborhood of L with $T \times L$. Let P_k^+ and P_k^- be the intersections of L and the double-point curve at the k th kink ($1 \leq k \leq r$). Near the point P_k^+ , the sheet containing L is over the transverse sheet. Hence, crossing information at $T \times \{P_k^+\}$ is given such that $T \times L$ is over the transverse sheet. On the other hand, crossing information at $T \times \{P_k^-\}$ is given such that $T \times L$ is under the transverse sheet. See the right-hand side of Figure 3 as an example of a trefoil, where coherent orientations of T , L , and $T \times L$ are also depicted.

For a crossing x of T , we denote the sign of x by $\varepsilon(x) = \pm 1$. Corresponding to x , the diagram $D^r T$ has $2r$ triple points at $T \times \{P_k^+\}$ and $T \times \{P_k^-\}$, denoted by

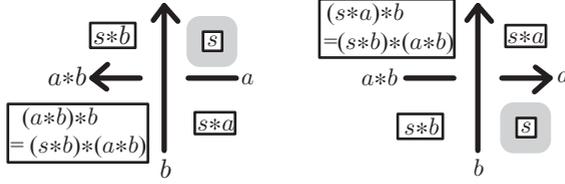


FIGURE 4.

$t_k^+(x)$ and $t_k^-(x)$ ($1 \leq k \leq r$), respectively. By the coherent orientations of T and $D^r T$, we immediately have $\varepsilon(t_k^+(x)) = \varepsilon(x)$ and $\varepsilon(t_k^-(x)) = -\varepsilon(x)$.

4. Shadow colorings of tangles

Let T be a tangle diagram of a classical knot K , and let $\Sigma(T)$ be the set of arcs of T separated by over-arcs. A map $C : \Sigma(T) \rightarrow Q$ into a quandle Q is a Q -coloring of T if it satisfies the following condition at each crossing x : if α_1 and α_2 are under-arcs separated by the over-arc β , where α_1 is on the right-hand side of β , then $C(\alpha_1) * C(\beta) = C(\alpha_2)$. We denote the pair $(C(\alpha_1), C(\beta))$ by $C(x) \in Q^2$, and the set of Q -colorings of T by $\text{Col}_Q(T)$. A shadow Q -coloring of T extending C is a map $C^* : \Sigma^*(T) \rightarrow Q$, where $\Sigma^*(T)$ is the union of $\Sigma(T)$, and the set of regions of \mathbb{R}_+^2 separated by the underlying immersed curve of T , satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) C^* restricted to $\Sigma(T)$ is coincident with C ,
- (ii) if R_1 and R_2 are regions separated by an arc α , where R_1 is on the right-side of α , then $C^*(R_1) * C^*(\alpha) = C^*(R_2)$, and
- (iii) $C^*(\alpha_+) = C^*(R_0)$, where α_+ is the initial arc of T and R_0 is the unbounded region.

Note that C^* always exists uniquely for a given C (see [3]), and we denote C^* by C also. Let $f \in Z^3(Q; G)$ be a 3-cocycle of a finite quandle Q . Define the Boltzmann weight at a crossing x by $W_f^*(x; C) = f(s, a, b)^{\varepsilon(x)} \in G$, where $C(x) = (a, b)$ and s is the color of the region being distinguished, as shown in Figure 4. Consider the state-sum

$$\Phi_f^*(T) = \sum_{C \in \text{Col}_Q(T)} \left[\prod_{x \in X_2(T)} W_f^*(x; C) \right] \in \mathbb{Z}[G],$$

where $X_2(T)$ denotes the set of crossings of T .

PROPOSITION 4.1. *The state-sum $\Phi_f^*(T)$ does not depend on the choice of a tangle diagram T of K .*

Proof. It is easy to check that $\Phi_f^*(T)$ is invariant under Reidemeister moves with boundary points of T fixed. Consider the moves among T_1 , T_2 , and T_3 reversing the boundary points; see the left of Figure 5. Let $C \in \text{Col}_Q(T_1)$ be a (shadow) Q -coloring of T_1 , and let a_+ and $a_- \in Q$ be the colors of the initial and terminal arcs of T_1 , respectively. Since $a_+ * a_- = a_+$ and $a_- * a_+ = a_-$, the (shadow) colors of T_2 and T_3 induced from C are as shown in the figure. (In general, we have $a * a_+ = a * a_-$ for any $a \in Q$. This can be seen by taking a circle under T with the outside arc colored by a ; see the right of Figure 5. Then the color of the inside arc

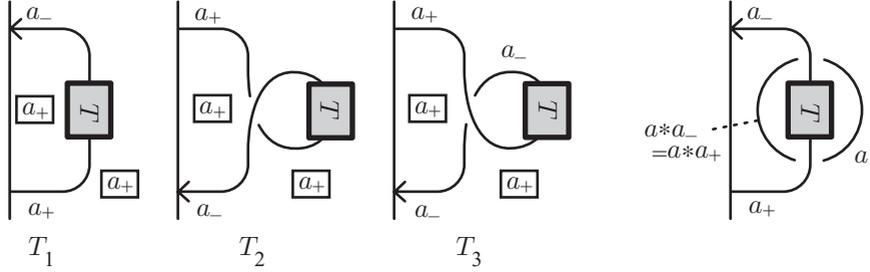


FIGURE 5.

is $a * a_+ = a * a_-$ (see [12]).) Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{x \in X_2(T_2)} W_f^*(x; C) &= f(a_+, a_+, a_-) \prod_{x \in X_2(T_1)} W_f^*(x; C) \\ &= \prod_{x \in X_2(T_1)} W_f^*(x; C). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, since T_2 and T_3 are related by Reidemeister moves with boundary fixed, $\Phi_f^*(T)$ does not change under these moves. \square

Since $\Phi_f^*(T)$ is an invariant of K by Proposition 4.1, we denote it by $\Phi_f^*(K)$. Note that $\Phi_f^*(K)$ is similar to the shadow cocycle invariant defined in [3]; the difference is that the invariant in [3] is taken for all the shadow Q -colorings, which may not satisfy condition (iii). (See also [13].)

For each $C \in \text{Col}_Q(T)$ and an integer $k \geq 0$, we denote by $C * a_-^k \in \text{Col}_Q(T)$ the composite of C and $(*a_-)^k$, where a_- is the color of the terminal arc of T .

LEMMA 4.2. $\prod_{x \in X_2(T)} W_f^*(x; C * a_-^k) = \prod_{x \in X_2(T)} W_f^*(x; C)$.

Proof. If T is colored by C , then the k -twisting as in Figure 2 induces the coloring $C * a_-^k$ of T . Since the motion is realized by Reidemeister moves, the products of Boltzmann weights for C and $C * a_-^k$ do not change. \square

5. Colorings of twist-spun knots

Let T be a tangle diagram of a classical knot K . We study a relationship between the sets $\text{Col}_Q(T)$ and $\text{Col}_Q(D^r T)$. Let $\iota : T \rightarrow D^r T$ be the inclusion by identifying T with $T \times \{P_0\} \subset T \times L \subset D^r T$ at the base point P_0 of L , and let $\iota^* : \text{Col}_Q(D^r T) \rightarrow \text{Col}_Q(T)$ be the induced map. Put $\text{Col}_Q^r(T) = \text{Im}(\iota^*) \subset \text{Col}_Q(T)$.

LEMMA 5.1. *The map ι^* is injective. Moreover, $C \in \text{Col}_Q(T)$ belongs to $\text{Col}_Q^r(T)$ if and only if $C * a_-^r = C$ holds, where a_- is the color of the terminal arc of T .*

Proof. We try to extend $C \in \text{Col}_Q(T)$ to the entire diagram $D^r T$ as follows.

1. Let a_+ be the color of the initial arc of T . Then the sheets of $D^r T$, say H_+ and H_- , containing positive and negative branch points, respectively, are colored by a_+ and a_- .

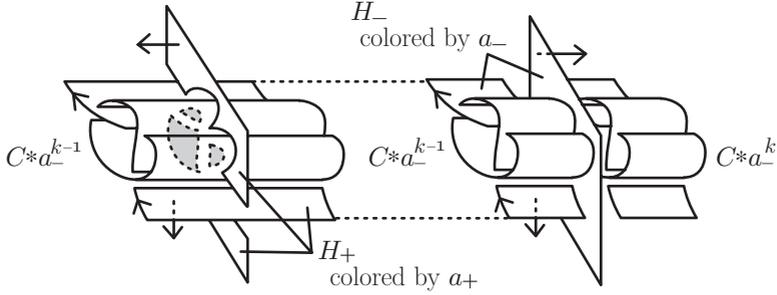


FIGURE 6.

2. The part $T \times L$ is separated by H_- transversely near $T \times \{P_k^-\}$ for $1 \leq k \leq r$. Since $T \times \{P_0\}$ is colored by C , the tangle after passing through $T \times \{P_k^-\}$ is colored by $C * a_-^k$. See the right-hand side of Figure 6.

3. The small sheets near $T \times \{P_k^+\}$ surrounded by $T \times L$ are uniquely colored by the shadow coloring $C * a_-^{k-1}$ of T ; see the left-hand side of Figure 6. Hence C extends to $D^r T$ if and only if $C * a_-^r = C$. Since such a Q -coloring of $D^r T$ is uniquely determined by C as above, the map ι^* is injective. \square

We identify $\text{Col}_Q(D^r T)$ with $\text{Col}_Q^r(T)$ under the map ι^* . The cocycle invariant of the r -twist-spin $\tau^r K$ is translated in terms of a tangle diagram T of K as follows.

PROPOSITION 5.2. *The cocycle invariant of $\tau^r K$ associated with a 3-cocycle $f \in Z^3(Q; G)$ is given by*

$$\Phi_f(\tau^r K) = \sum_{C \in \text{Col}_Q^r(T)} \left[\left\{ \prod_{x \in X_2(T)} W_f^*(x; C) \right\}^r \times \left\{ \prod_{k=0}^{r-1} \prod_{x \in X_2(T)} W_f^\#(x; C * a_-^k) \right\}^{-1} \right],$$

where $W_f^*(x; C)$ is the weight defined in Section 4, a_- is the color of the terminal arc of T , and $W_f^\#(x; C) = f(a, b, a_-)^{\varepsilon(x)}$ for $C(x) = (a, b)$.

Proof. For each $C \in \text{Col}_Q^r(T)$, the triple points $t_k^\pm(x) \in X_3(D^r T)$ corresponding to $x \in X_2(T)$ satisfy $C(t_k^+(x)) = (s, a, b) * a_-^{k-1}$ and $C(t_k^-(x)) = (a, b, a_-) * a_-^{k-1}$ for $1 \leq k \leq r$, where s is the color of the region being distinguished, as shown in Figure 4. Hence, we have

$$W_f(t_k^+(x); C) = W_f^*(x; C * a_-^{k-1}) \quad \text{and} \quad W_f(t_k^-(x); C) = W_f^\#(x; C * a_-^{k-1})^{-1}.$$

The proof is complete, by Lemma 4.2. \square

Let R_p be the dihedral quandle of order p , where p is an odd prime (Example 2.1). We study R_p -colorings of T and $D^r T$, and we denote the sets of these colorings by $\text{Col}_p(T)$ and $\text{Col}_p(D^r T)$, respectively. Also we refer to R_p -colorings as p -colorings, in the style of Fox [5, 6]. A p -coloring C is *trivial* if the image of C consists of a single element.

LEMMA 5.3. (i) *If r is odd, then $\text{Col}_p(D^r T)$ consists of trivial p -colorings.*
 (ii) *If r is even, then we have $\text{Col}_p(D^r T) = \text{Col}_p(T)$ under the map ι^* .*

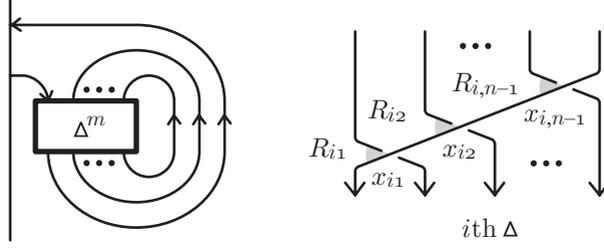


FIGURE 7.

Proof. The lemma follows immediately from Lemma 5.1 and the property of R_p that $(a * b) * b = a$ for any a and $b \in R_p$. \square

Let $\theta_p \in Z^3(R_p; \mathbb{Z}_p)$ be the 3-cocycle given in Example 2.1. By taking the coefficient group $\mathbb{Z}_p = \langle t \mid t^p = 1 \rangle$, we identify the group ring $\mathbb{Z}[\mathbb{Z}_p]$ with the Laurent polynomial ring $\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]/(t^p - 1)$. Let $\rho^r : \mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]/(t^p - 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]/(t^p - 1)$ be the map induced by $t \mapsto t^r$. We abbreviate ‘ θ_p ’ in subscripts to ‘ p ’.

THEOREM 5.4. (i) *If r is odd, then we have $\Phi_p(\tau^r K) = p$.*
(ii) *If r is even, then we have $\Phi_p(\tau^r K) = \rho^r \Phi_p^*(K)$.*

Proof. (i) Since $\tau^r K$ admits only trivial p -colorings, we have $\Phi_p(\tau^r K) = p$, by definition.

(ii) Since θ_p satisfies $\theta_p(a * c, b * c, c) = \theta_p(a, b, c)^{-1}$ for any $a, b, c \in R_p$, we have $W_p^\#(x; C * a_-) = W_p^\#(x; C)^{-1}$. Hence we have

$$\Phi_p(\tau^r K) = \sum_C \left\{ \prod_x W_p^*(x; C) \right\}^r = \rho^r \Phi_p^*(K),$$

by Proposition 5.2 and Lemma 5.3(ii). \square

6. Concrete calculations

Let $T(m, n)$ denote the torus-knot of type (m, n) , where $m, n > 1$ are relatively prime integers. Take a tangle diagram T of $T(m, n)$ as the closure of the word Δ^m in the n -braid group B_n , where $\Delta = \sigma_{n-1}\sigma_{n-2}\dots\sigma_1$ with $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_{n-1}$ the standard generators of B_n ; see Figure 7. In the i th Δ from the top ($1 \leq i \leq m$), let $x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_{n-1}}$ be the crossings, and let $R_{i_1}, \dots, R_{i_{n-1}}$ be the specified regions as shown on the right of the figure.

Let $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ be the top arcs of Δ^m . Given a vector $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in (R_p)^n$, a p -coloring C of Δ^m is uniquely determined such that $C(\alpha_j) = a_j$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$. Since $a * b \equiv 2b - a \pmod{p}$, the colors of the bottom arcs of Δ^m are given by the vector $\mathbf{a}P^m$, where P is the following $m \times m$ matrix.

$$P = \left(\begin{array}{c|ccc} 0 & -1 & & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ 0 & \mathbf{0} & & -1 \\ \hline 1 & 2 & \dots & 2 \end{array} \right).$$

Any p -coloring of any tangle diagram satisfies the requirement that the initial and terminal arcs have the same color (see [12]), since $a_+ * a_- = a * a_+$ in the proof of Proposition 4.1 implies that $a_+ = a_-$ in R_p . Hence C extends to the above diagram T if and only if $\mathbf{a}P^m = \mathbf{a}$. By solving this equation, we obtain the following two lemmas. The proofs are straightforward, and we omit them here.

We remark that since m and n are relatively prime and $T(m, n)$ and $T(n, m)$ are the same knot, we may assume without loss of generality that m is odd.

LEMMA 6.1. *Assume that m is odd.*

(i) *If m is not divisible by p , or n is odd, then $\text{Col}_p(T)$ consists of trivial p -colorings.*

(ii) *If m is divisible by p and n is even, then we have $\text{Col}_p(T) = \{C_{ab} \mid a, b \in R_p\}$, where C_{ab} is associated with the vector $\mathbf{a} = (a, b, \dots, a, b)$.*

LEMMA 6.2. *Let $C_{ab} \in \text{Col}_p(T)$ be the p -coloring in Lemma 6.1, and put $\delta = a - b$.*

(i) *$C_{ab}(x_{ij}) = (a - (i - 1)\delta, a - i\delta)$ and $C_{ab}(R_{ij}) = a - (j - 1)\delta$ for odd j .*

(ii) *$C_{ab}(x_{ij}) = (a - i\delta, a - i\delta)$ and $C_{ab}(R_{ij}) = a - (2i - j)\delta$ for even j .*

In the following theorem, the conditions under which $T(m, n)$ and $\tau^r T(m, n)$ admit a non-trivial p -coloring are given in Lemmas 5.3 and 6.1.

THEOREM 6.3. (i) *If $T(m, n)$ admits a non-trivial p -coloring, then we have*

$$\Phi_p^*(T(m, n)) = p \left(\sum_{i=0}^{p-1} t^{-(mn/2p)i^2} \right) \in \frac{\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]}{(t^p - 1)};$$

otherwise, we have $\Phi_p^*(T(m, n)) = p$.

(ii) *If $\tau^r T(m, n)$ admits a non-trivial p -coloring, then we have*

$$\Phi_p(\tau^r T(m, n)) = p \left(\sum_{i=0}^{p-1} t^{-(mnr/2p)i^2} \right) \in \frac{\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]}{(t^p - 1)};$$

otherwise, we have $\Phi_p(\tau^r T(m, n)) = p$.

Proof. (i) It is sufficient to prove the case where $m = p$ and n is even; in fact, we have

$$\Phi_p^*(T(m, n)) = \rho^{m/p} \Phi_p^*(T(p, n))$$

if m is divisible by p . We first write the coefficient group $\mathbb{Z}_p = \{0, 1, \dots, p - 1\}$ additively, and use equality instead of the congruence.

We prove that

$$\sum_{i,j} W_p^*(x_{ij}; C_{ab}) = -(n/2)\delta^2 \in \mathbb{Z}_p$$

for a fixed $C_{ab} \in \text{Col}_p(T)$. If $\delta = a - b = 0$, the equation clearly holds. Assume that $\delta \neq 0$. If j is even, then $W_p^*(x_{ij}; C_{ab}) = \theta_p(a - i\delta, a - i\delta, a - (2i - j)\delta) = 0$. Hence we also assume that j is odd.

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^p W_p^*(x_{ij}; C_{ab}) &= \sum_{i=1}^p \theta_p(a - (i-1)\delta, a - i\delta, a - (j-1)\delta) \\ &= \delta \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{i(a - (i+1)\delta)^p + i(a - (i-1)\delta)^p - 2i(a - i\delta)^p}{p} \\ &\quad - j\delta \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{(a - (i+1)\delta)^p + (a - (i-1)\delta)^p - 2(a - i\delta)^p}{p}. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, it is not difficult to see that if $x = y \pmod{p}$, then $x^p = y^p \pmod{p^2}$. Hence, by taking the above numerators modulo p^2 , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{i=1}^p \left\{ i(a - (i+1)\delta)^p + i(a - (i-1)\delta)^p - 2i(a - i\delta)^p \right\} \\ &= \sum_{i=2}^{p+1} (i-1)(a - i\delta)^p + \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} (i+1)(a - i\delta)^p - 2 \sum_{i=1}^p i(a - i\delta)^p \\ &= p(b^p - a^p), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{i=1}^p \left\{ (a - (i+1)\delta)^p + (a - (i-1)\delta)^p - 2(a - i\delta)^p \right\} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^p (a - (i+1)\delta)^p + \sum_{i=1}^p (a - (i-1)\delta)^p - 2 \sum_{i=1}^p (a - i\delta)^p \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Here we use $\{a - (i+k)\delta \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, p\} = \{i \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, p\} \pmod{p}$ for $k = 1, 0, -1$. Then we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^p W_p^*(x_{ij}; C_{ab}) = \delta \cdot (b^p - a^p) - j\delta \cdot 0 = (b - a)\delta = -\delta^2,$$

and

$$\sum_{i,j} W_p^*(x_{ij}; C_{ab}) = -(n/2)\delta^2$$

by taking the sum for odd $1 \leq j \leq n-1$. By rewriting $\mathbb{Z}_p = \langle t \mid t^p = 1 \rangle$ multiplicatively, we have

$$\Phi_p^*(T(p, n)) = \sum_{a,b \in \mathbb{Z}_p} t^{-(n/2)(a-b)^2} = p \left(\sum_{i=0}^{p-1} t^{-(n/2)i^2} \right).$$

(ii) This follows immediately from (i) and Theorem 5.4. \square

For a knotted surface F in \mathbb{R}^4 , we denote by $-F$ the same surface with the orientation reversed. We say that F is *non-invertible* if F is not ambient isotopic to $-F$ in \mathbb{R}^4 . Gordon [7] proved that any twist-spun torus knot $\tau^r T(m, n)$ is non-invertible, where m and n are relatively prime with $m, n, r \geq 2$. His argument is based on the fact that $\tau^r K$ is fibered (see [16]). However, the corresponding fact is not known for knotted surfaces of higher genus. On the other hand, the cocycle

invariants can be used to study the non-invertibility of knotted surfaces, regardless of genus. It is known that for any 3-cocycle $f \in Z^3(Q; G)$, the cocycle invariant $\Phi_f(-F) \in \mathbb{Z}[G]$ is obtained from $\Phi_f(F)$ by replacing g with g^{-1} for any $g \in G$ (see [2]).

Proof of Theorem 1.1. We may prove that if m, n, r and p satisfy the conditions (i)–(iv), then $\Phi_p(F_g^r(m, n)) \neq \rho^{-1}\Phi_p(F_g^r(m, n))$. Since a diagram of $F_g^r(m, n)$ is obtained from that of $F_0^r(m, n) = \tau^r T(m, n)$ by attaching g trivial 1-handles without introducing new singularities, we have $\Phi_p(F_g^r(m, n)) = \Phi_p(\tau^r T(m, n))$, by definition. Hence, it is sufficient to prove that $\Phi_p(\tau^r T(m, n)) \neq \rho^{-1}\Phi_p(\tau^r T(m, n))$. This can easily be seen from Theorem 6.3(ii) and the fact that

$$p \left(\sum_{i=0}^{p-1} t^{-Ni^2} \right) \neq p \left(\sum_{i=0}^{p-1} t^{Ni^2} \right) \quad \text{in } \frac{\mathbb{Z}[t^{\pm 1}]}{(t^p - 1)}$$

if and only if $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and N is not divisible by p .

Among the non-invertible knotted surfaces $F_g^r(m, n)$ satisfying the conditions (i)–(iv), we consider the ones given by $m = p$ and $n = r = 2$, for example. Then we see that the family $\{F_g^2(p, 2) : p = 3, 7, 11, 19, \dots\}$ is infinite, for if $p \neq p'$, then

$$\Phi_p(F_g^2(p, 2)) = p \left(\sum_{i=0}^{p-1} t^{-2i^2} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \Phi_p(F_g^2(p', 2)) = p$$

by Theorem 6.3(ii), and hence $F_g^2(p, 2)$ is not ambient isotopic to $F_g^2(p', 2)$. \square

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