

3. Planar diagrams and Sage

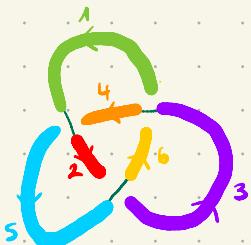
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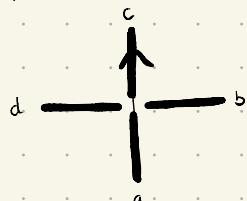
↔ numbers

(Note orientation)

- Step 1: break up the link into edges, and label them $1, \dots, n$ following the orientation:



- Step 2: at each crossing, record the four numbers according to the following rule:



$$\mapsto [a, b, c, d]$$

Example:

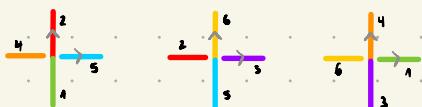
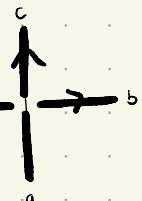
1, 5, 2, 4

Result: $[(1, 5, 2, 4), (5, 3, 6, 2), (3, 1, 4, 6)]$

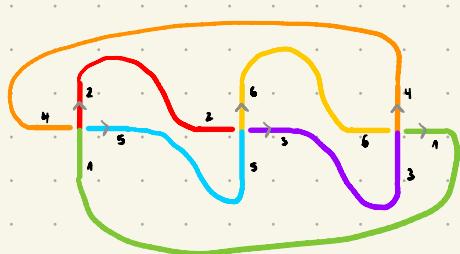
How to get back the link?

Step 1: Draw a crossing for each group of 4, according to the rule: $[a, b, c, d] \mapsto$

$[(1, 5, 2, 4), (5, 3, 6, 2), (3, 1, 4, 6)]$



Step 2: Match the edges:



Task 0 : • 1 | 1+1

• Click Run (or press Shift+Enter) :

1 | 1+1
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Task 1 :

- Start a new cell
- Import SnapPy :

1 | import snappy

- Write down the Planar Diagram code :

2 | PD= [(1, 5, 2, 4), (5, 3, 6, 2), (3, 1, 4, 6)]

- Define a SnapPy link :

3 | L_snappy = snappy.Link(PD)

- Make it a Sage link :

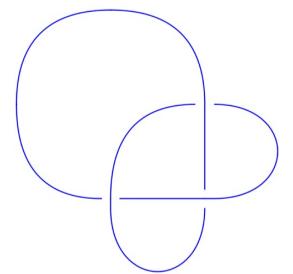
4 | L=L_snappy.sage_link()

- Plot it :

5 | L.plot()

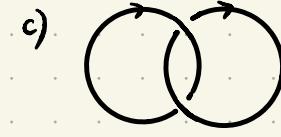
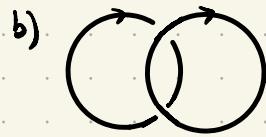
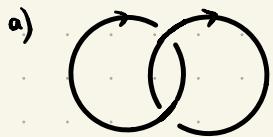
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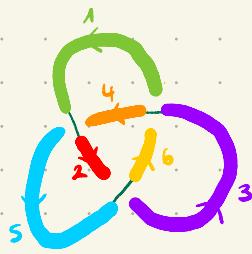
1. Write down the PD code for the following link diagrams:



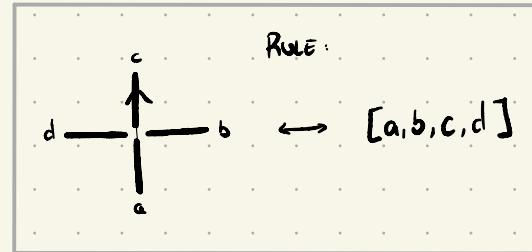
Hint: recall the procedure was:

- Step 1:
- Step 2:

Break into pieces: Decode using the rule:



$$\Rightarrow [(1, 5, 2, 4), (5, 3, 6, 2), (3, 1, 4, 6)]$$



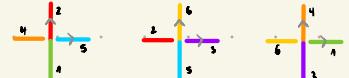
2. Draw the link diagrams associated to the following PD codes:

- a) $[(1, 2, 2, 1)]$
- b) $[(1, 1, 2, 2)]$
- c) $[(4, 2, 3, 1), (1, 3, 2, 4)]$
- d) $[(3, 1, 4, 2), (4, 1, 3, 2)]$

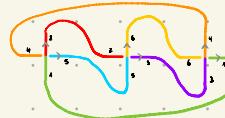
$$[(1, 5, 2, 4), (5, 3, 6, 2), (3, 1, 4, 6)]$$

Recall:

- Step 1: draw the crossings you need, anywhere you like:



- Step 2: match the edges accordingly:



3. Plot the links you obtained in 1 and 2 in Sage.

4. Obtain PD codes for the following link diagrams using SnapPy. Then plot them in Sage.

