## On hyperbolic knots in S<sup>3</sup> with exceptional surgeries at maximal distance

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Baker showed that 10 of the 12 classes of Berge knots are obtained by surgery on the minimally twisted 5–chain link. We enumerate all hyperbolic knots in  $S^3$  obtained by surgery on the minimally twisted 5–chain link that realize the maximal known distances between slopes corresponding to exceptional (lens, lens), (lens, toroidal) and (lens, Seifert fibred) pairs. In light of Baker's work, the classification in this paper conjecturally accounts for "most" hyperbolic knots in  $S^3$  realizing the maximal distance between these exceptional pairs. As a byproduct, we obtain that all examples that arise from the 5–chain link actually arise from the magic manifold. The classification highlights additional examples not mentioned in Martelli and Petronio's survey of the exceptional fillings on the magic manifold. Of particular interest is an example of a knot with two lens space surgeries that is not obtained by filling the Berge manifold (ie the exterior of the unique hyperbolic knot in a solid torus with two nontrivial surgeries producing solid tori).

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## **1** Introduction

Thurston's ground-breaking work in the 1970s showed that every nontrivial knot that is neither a torus knot nor a satellite knot is a hyperbolic knot, and that nonhyperbolic surgeries on such knots are "exceptional". These deep and surprising results reinvented the field of hyperbolic geometry and knot theory. With the exception of  $S^3$ , given a nonhyperbolic manifold M the set of all cusped hyperbolic manifolds with M as a filling is unwieldy, and we shouldn't expect to be able to write down the set of all hyperbolic manifolds which have a lens space filling. However, in light of Thurston's work, it becomes reasonable to ask which hyperbolic knots in  $S^3$  have a lens space surgery, or which hyperbolic knots have a toroidal filling that is "far" from the  $S^3$ filling. This paper looks at hyperbolic knots in  $S^3$  that have exceptional fillings that are "far" apart. Let *K* be a knot in  $S^3$  and consider its exterior  $S^3 \setminus v(K)$ , where v(K) is a small open regular neighbourhood of the knot. For a slope  $\alpha$  (the isotopy class of an essential simple closed curve) on the boundary of the exterior of *K*, the closed manifold obtained from  $\alpha$ -surgery (gluing a solid torus to the exterior of *K* by identifying the meridian to  $\alpha$ ) is denoted by  $K(\alpha)$ .

Suppose that K is hyperbolic, that is, its complement admits a Riemannian metric of constant sectional curvature -1 which is complete and of finite volume. Then Thurston's hyperbolic Dehn surgery theorem implies that all but finitely many slopes produce hyperbolic manifolds via surgery; see Thurston [25] and Benedetti and Petronio [4]. The exceptional cases are called exceptional slopes and exceptional surgeries.

It is a consequence of the geometrization theorem that every exceptional surgery on a hyperbolic *link* is either  $S^3$ , a lens space, has an essential surface of nonnegative Euler characteristic, or has a Seifert fibration over the sphere with three exceptional fibres. We now assign the following standard names to these classes of nonhyperbolic 3-manifolds, following Gordon [14]. We say that a manifold is of type D, A, S or Tif it contains an essential disc, annulus, sphere or torus, respectively, and of type  $S^H$ or  $T^H$  if it contains a Heegaard sphere or torus. Finally, we denote by Z the type of small closed Seifert manifolds. Notice that  $S^H = \{S^3\}$  and that  $T^H$  is the set of lens spaces (including  $S^1 \times S^2$ ).

In the present paper, we are interested in hyperbolic manifolds X with a torus boundary component  $\tau$  supporting a pair  $(\alpha, \beta)$  of exceptional slopes whose associated surgeries lead respectively to manifolds of types  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  in  $\{S^H, S, T^H, T, D, A, Z\}$ , the set of exceptional-type manifolds described above. We will summarize this situation by writing  $(X, \tau; \alpha, \beta) \in (C_1, C_2)$ . The distance (minimal geometric intersection) between two slopes  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  on a torus is denoted by  $\Delta(\alpha, \beta)$ . The *maximal distance between types of exceptional manifolds*  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  is defined as the maximum element of  $\{\Delta(\alpha, \beta) \mid (X, \tau; \alpha, \beta) \in (C_1, C_2)\}$  and denoted by  $\Delta(C_1, C_2)$ .

Quite some energy has been devoted in the literature to the understanding of exceptional slopes on hyperbolic manifolds. In the case of hyperbolic knot exteriors there are strong restrictions on their exceptional surgeries or fillings. The  $S^H$ -filling is unique (see Gordon and Luecke [16]) and no knot exterior has a filling with an essential annulus or disc. Conjecturally, no hyperbolic knot exterior has a reducible surgery; see González-Acuña and Short [13]. So, there are nine possible exceptional pairs obtained by surgery on a hyperbolic knot in  $S^3$ , namely the  $(S^H, T^H)$ ,  $(S^H, T)$ ,  $(S^H, Z)$ ,  $(T^H, T^H)$ ,  $(T^H, T)$ ,  $(T^H, T)$ , (T, Z) and (Z, Z) exceptional pairs.

The  $(S^H, T)$  pairs at maximal distance have been completely enumerated; see Gordon and Luecke [18]. Examples of  $(S^H, Z)$  pairs have been constructed; see for example Eudave-Muñoz [10] and Roukema [24]. The exceptional surgeries on the figure eight knot tell us that  $\Delta(T^H, Z)$ ,  $\Delta(T, Z)$ ,  $\Delta(Z, Z) > 5$ , and from Agol [1] we know that there is only a finite number of examples realizing these distances. The  $(S^H, T^H)$ pairs are conjecturally a subset of the Berge knots classified in Berge [5]. It follows that, since the remaining three cases all involve a  $T^H$  surgery, an enumeration of the remaining three exceptional pairs is conjecturally an enumeration of a subset of Berge knots. Baker [2] showed that 10 of the 12 classes of Berge knots are obtained by surgery on the minimally twisted 5–chain link (5CL; see Figure 3). So, conjecturally, most of the hyperbolic knots in  $S^3$  realizing  $(T^H, T^H)$ ,  $(T^H, T)$  and  $(T^H, Z)$ exceptional pairs of slopes are obtained by surgery on 5CL. Moreover, the hyperbolic knots in  $S^3$  realizing an exceptional  $(T^H, T^H)$  pair are conjecturally all obtained by surgery on 5CL; see Baker, Doleshal and Hoffman [3].

In this article we enumerate all hyperbolic knots in  $S^3$  obtained by surgery on 5CL that realize the maximum known distance between the exceptional filling types. The enumeration will include surgeries on four components of 5CL which have some  $S^3$  surgery, and we will say that the surgery dual in  $S^3$  is obtained by surgery on 5CL. This convention will be used throughout the paper. We completely classify the knots arising in this manner and having either two different lens space surgeries, a lens space surgery and a toroidal surgery at distance 3, or a lens space surgery and a small Seifert surgery at distance 2. In light of Baker's work in [2] and the conjecture in [3], our classification conjecturally accounts for most examples of hyperbolic knots in  $S^3$  with an exceptional pair of slopes at maximal distance. Our main result is the following:

**Theorem 1.1** Let K be a hyperbolic knot in  $S^3$  obtained by surgery on the minimally twisted 5–chain link with two exceptional slopes  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , and such that  $K(\alpha)$  is a lens space.

- If  $K(\beta)$  is a lens space, then K is found in Figure 1.
- If K(β) is toroidal, then the distance between α and β is at most three and if the distance equals three, then K is found in Figure 2.
- If K(β) is Seifert fibred over the 2–sphere with three exceptional fibres, then the distance between α and β is at most two and if the distance equals two, then K is found in Figure 2.



Figure 1: Surgery presentation for all (distinct) hyperbolic knots with two lens space fillings obtained by surgery on the minimally twisted 5-chain link

Given an orientable cusped hyperbolic 3-manifold M and a fixed torus component  $\tau$  of the boundary of its compactification, it is a consequence of Lackenby and Meyerhoff [20] that 8 is a universal upper bound for  $\Delta(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$  for each exceptional pair  $(M, \tau; \alpha_1, \alpha_2)$ . The celebrated Gordon-Luecke theorem [16] can be formulated by saying that  $\Delta(S^H, S^H) = 0$ , the cabling conjecture by saying that, as a maximum over an empty set,  $\Delta(S, S^H) = -\infty$  (see González-Acuña and Short [13]), the Berge conjecture implies that the Berge knots in [5] contain all exceptional pairs of type  $(S^H, T^H)$ , and the theorem of Gordon and Luecke [18] by saying that the knots realizing  $\Delta(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) = \Delta(S^H, T)$  are precisely the Eudave-Muñoz knots. The examples of exceptional  $(T^H, T^H)$ ,  $(T^H, T)$  and  $(T^H, Z)$  pairs in Culler, Gordon, Luecke and Shalen [8], Gordon and Luecke [18] and Boyer and Zhang [7] are all obtained by surgery on 5CL, while the examples of exceptional  $(T^H, T^H)$  pairs in Dunfield, Hoffman and Licata [9] are not.

It is natural to generalize these types of questions by asking whether we can find  $\Delta(C_1, C_2)$  for each pair of classes  $C_1, C_2 \in \{S^H, S, T^H, T, D, A, Z\}$ , and whether we can enumerate all  $(M, \tau; \alpha_1, \alpha_2)$  of type  $(C_1, C_2)$  with  $\Delta(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) = \Delta(C_1, C_2)$ . A great deal is known; see Gordon and Luecke [17] or Gordon [15] for an overview.



Figure 2: Surgery presentation for all (distinct) hyperbolic knots with a lens space and a toroidal filling at distance 3, or a lens space and a Seifert filling at distance 2, obtained by surgery on the minimally twisted 5–chain link.

If a knot in  $S^3$  is not a torus knot or a satellite knot, then its exterior is a hyperbolic 3-manifold. We can consider all  $(M_K, \tau; \alpha_1, \alpha_2)$  when  $M_K$  is the exterior of a knot K in  $S^3$  and ask what is  $\Delta(\mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2)$  and which  $(M_K, \tau; \alpha_1, \alpha_2)$  of type  $(\mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2)$  have  $\Delta(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) = \Delta(\mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2)$  for this subclass of hyperbolic manifolds. Of course, this is the same as asking what is the greatest value of  $\Delta(\alpha_2, \alpha_3)$  among exceptional triples  $(M, \tau; \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3)$  of type  $(S^H, \mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2)$  and which  $(M, \tau; \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3)$  realize the maximum  $\Delta(\alpha_2, \alpha_3)$ . From this perspective, we enumerate such  $(S^H, \mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2)$ triples obtained from the minimally twisted 5-chain link.

In order to state some of the noteworthy remarks coming from the analysis done to establish Theorem 1.1, we need to introduce some more notation. The chain links that are ubiquitous throughout this paper are depicted in Figure 3. We keep the notational convention of Martelli, Petronio and Roukema [22] and denote the minimally twisted 5–chain link by 5CL and its exterior by  $M_5$ ; the 4–chain link is denoted by 4CL and its exterior is denoted by  $M_4$ . The nonhyperbolic minimally twisted 4–chain link E4CL ("exceptional 4–chain link", underlining the key feature that it is the unique nonhyperbolic manifold that can be obtained by surgery on a single component of 5CL, and that "most" exceptional surgeries on 5CL are obtained by surgery on any component of 4CL gives a 3–chain link 3CL, whose exterior is denoted by  $M_3$ . We closely reference the tables from Martelli and Petronio [21], which give a classification of the exceptional surgeries on the mirror 3CL\* shown in Figure 3. The exterior of this link is the "magic manifold" (see Gordon and Wu [19]), which we will denote by N.

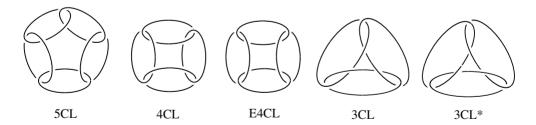


Figure 3: The minimally twisted 5–chain link 5CL, the 4–chain link 4CL, the minimally twisted 4–chain link E4CL and the 3–chain links 3CL and 3CL<sup>\*</sup>. The exteriors of these links are called  $M_5$ ,  $M_4$ , F,  $M_3$  and N, respectively.

The knots in Figures 1 and 2 are described by giving a filling instruction on two of the three boundary components of the magic manifold. The exceptional slopes

on the knots  $N\left(-\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{14}{5}\right)$  and  $N\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1-2k}{5k-2}\right)$  from Figure 1 and the corresponding fillings are found in Theorem 3.1. The exceptional slopes on  $N\left(-1+\frac{1}{n}, -1-\frac{1}{n}\right)$  and  $N\left(-1+\frac{1}{n}, -1-\frac{1}{n-2}\right)$  from Figure 2 and the corresponding fillings are found in Theorem 4.1. Theorems 3.1 and 4.1 go further and show that the three families of knots and the isolated example shown in Figures 1 and 2 are all distinct knots.

There is a unique hyperbolic knot in a solid torus with two nontrivial surgeries producing solid tori — see Berge [6] — the exterior of which is called the Berge manifold, which will appear frequently in the text. It can be obtained by filling one of the three boundary components of the magic manifold N. Indeed, the Berge manifold is  $N\left(-\frac{5}{2}\right)$ . Cutting, twisting and filling the boundary of the torus yields an infinite family of inequivalent knots in  $S^3$  with two lens space fillings. This family is precisely the set of  $N\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1-2k}{5k-2}\right)$  from Theorem 1.1. It should be highlighted that the example  $N\left(-\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{14}{5}\right)$  is not obtained by surgery on the Berge manifold (Theorem 3.1).

The article of Baker, Doleshal and Hoffman [3] contains a complete description of all surgeries on the 5CL with three cyclic fillings, which are fillings leading to type  $S^H$  or  $T^H$  manifolds. It is a more general question than our quest to find *knot exteriors* on the 5CL with two cyclic fillings and the techniques used in [3] to reduce the argument to an analysis of the fillings on the magic manifold are different from ours. A translation of our results into the language of [3] follows. The family  $\{N(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1-2k}{5k-2})\}$  is the family  $\{B_{(2k-1)/(5k-2)}\} \subset \{B_{p/q}\}$  from [3], and the isolated example  $N(-\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{14}{5})$  is  $A_{2,3}$  from [3]. As a final remark, let us emphasize the fact that the family  $N(-1+\frac{1}{n}, -1-\frac{1}{n})$  and its exceptional slopes and fillings are highlighted in [21, Table 17], but the distinct family  $N(-1+\frac{1}{n}, -1-\frac{1}{n-2})$  is not.

#### 1.1 Article structure

The results in this article are obtained by a careful analysis of the classifications of exceptional sets of slopes on surgeries of the minimally twisted 5–chain link given in [21] and Roukema [24]. The work done there translates the enumeration of exceptional pairs realizing maximal distances into finding the solutions to a (long) list of elementary diophantine equations. The translation necessitates a table-by-table analysis of the work given in [21; 24]. A collection of easy (but technical) lemmas in the appendix facilitates the translation and reduces the amount of work needed. The proofs of the main results are littered with references to results in the appendix and [21; 24]. Most equalities and isomorphisms shall, for instance, refer to the appendix for justification

(note  $\Psi_{(A-n)}$  is the map given in equation (A-*n*)). Therefore, this article is best read with both articles and the appendix in hand.

Section 2 sets out the notation and conventions used throughout this article. Section 3 gives an enumeration of all exceptional  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triples obtained by surgery on 5CL. Section 4 gives an enumeration of all exceptional  $(S^H, T^H, T)$  triples obtained by surgery on 5CL. Section 5 gives an enumeration of all exceptional  $(S^H, T^H, Z)$  triples obtained by surgery on 5CL. Sections 3–5 all proceed in the same way. The sections start with a precise statement about the enumeration of the exceptional triples. The results are established by first showing that all examples are obtained by surgery on 3CL. The final sections then enumerate all examples of exceptional triples obtained by surgery on 3CL.

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## 2 Notation and conventions

In this section we set out notation and conventions used throughout the article. We will use the conventions on surgery instructions set out in [24], which we briefly outline. For more detailed descriptions, please refer to [24]. Given an orientable compact 3-manifold X such that  $\partial X$  is a union of tori, we use the term *slope* to indicate the isotopy class of a nontrivial unoriented essential simple closed curve on a component of  $\partial X$ . After fixing a choice of meridian and longitude on a boundary torus, a slope is naturally identified with an element in  $\mathbb{Q} \cup \{\infty\}$ . A *filling instruction*  $\alpha$  (also denoted by  $\mathcal{F}$ ) for X is a set consisting of either a slope or the empty set for each component of  $\partial X$ . The chain links have a rotational symmetry, which allows us to unambiguously choose any component as the first component and order the remaining cyclically in the anticlockwise direction. The filling instructions shall then be identified with tuples of elements in  $\mathbb{Q} \cup \{\infty\}$ . The *filling*  $X(\alpha)$  is the manifold obtained by gluing one solid torus to  $\partial X$  for each nonempty slope in  $\alpha$ . The meridian of the solid torus is glued to the slope.

A very related concept to that of a filling is a *surgery* on a link  $L \subset S^3$ . By definition, a surgery on L is a filling of the exterior  $S^3 \setminus v(L)$  of L, where v(L) is an open regular neighbourhood of L. By a *surgery instruction* for L we mean a filling instruction on the exterior of L.

In the present article we will be concerned with *exceptional fillings*. If the interior of X is hyperbolic but the interior of  $X(\alpha)$  is not, we say that  $\alpha$  is an *exceptional filling instruction* for X and  $X(\alpha)$  is an exceptional filling. If the resulting manifold has a cyclic fundamental group, that is, if it belongs to  $S^H$  or  $T^H$ , then we say that it is furthermore *cyclic*. We follow the notation used to describe the sets of exceptional slopes set out in [15]. The set of exceptional slopes on a fixed toroidal boundary component  $T_0$  of a hyperbolic 3-manifold X is denoted by  $E_{T_0}(X)$ , and the cardinality of  $E_{T_0}(X)$  by  $e_{T_0}(X)$ . In our case  $T_0$  will refer to the  $n^{\text{th}}$  component of the chain link with n components and is dropped throughout the article. A word of caution: when  $\mathcal{F}$  is a filling instruction on  $M_5$ , we write the elements of  $E(M_5(\mathcal{F}))$  with respect to the choice of bases on  $M_5$  (and *not*  $M_5(\mathcal{F})$ !).

Beyond the exceptional pairs  $(C_1, C_2)$  explained in the introduction, we will work also with *exceptional*  $(C_1, \ldots, C_n)$  *n*-tuples. By this we mean the following: if X is a hyperbolic 3-manifold and  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n$  are exceptional slopes on a fixed toroidal boundary component of X, with  $X(\alpha_i)$  a manifold of type  $C_i$ , then we say that  $(X, \alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n)$  is an exceptional  $(C_1, \ldots, C_n)$  *n*-tuple and write  $(X, \alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n) \in (C_1, \ldots, C_n)$ . There is a notion of equivalence among exceptional tuples. We will say that two exceptional *n*-tuples  $(X_1, \alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n)$  and  $(X_2, \beta_1, \ldots, \beta_n)$  are *equivalent* if there exists a homeomorphism  $h: X_1 \to X_2$  with  $X_2(h(\alpha_i)) = X_2(\beta_i)$ . When two *n*-tuples  $(X_1, \alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n)$  and  $(X_2, \beta_1, \ldots, \beta_n)$  are equivalent, we write  $(X_1, \alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n) \cong$  $(X_2, \beta_1, \ldots, \beta_n)$ .

We now recall the following important notion, introduced in [24]: given  $\alpha$ , a filling instruction on a manifold *X*, we say that  $\alpha$  factors through a manifold *Y* if there exists some filling instruction  $\alpha' \subset \alpha$  such that  $Y = X(\alpha')$ .

To describe the exceptional fillings on the minimally twisted 5–chain link, we follow the standard choice of notation used to describe graph manifolds set out in [24]. Very briefly, if *G* is an orientable surface with *k* boundary components and  $\Sigma$  is *G* minus *n* discs, we can construct homology bases  $\{(\mu_i, \lambda_i)\}$  on  $\partial(\Sigma \times S^1)$ . For coprime pairs  $\{(p_i, q_i)\}_{i=1}^n$  with  $|p_i| \ge 2$ , we get a Seifert manifold  $(G, (p_1, q_1), \dots, (p_n, q_n))$  with fixed homology bases on its *k* boundary components. Given Seifert manifolds *X* and *Y* with boundary and orientable base surfaces as above and an element  $B \in GL_2(\mathbb{Z})$ , we define  $X \cup_B Y$  unambiguously to be the quotient manifold  $X \cup_f Y$ , with  $f: T \to T'$ , where *T* and *T'* are arbitrary boundary tori of *X* and *Y*, and *f* acts on homology by *B* with respect to the fixed bases. Similarly one can define X/B when *X* has at least two boundary components.

As is common in the literature, we employ a somehow more flexible notation for lens spaces than the usual one. We will write L(2, q) for the real projective space, L(1,q) for the 3-sphere, L(0,q) for  $S^2 \times S^1$  and L(p,q) for L(|p|,q') with  $q \equiv q'$  modulo p and 0 < q' < |p| for any coprime p and q. Later in the paper, we will often be interested in understanding when  $L(x, y) = S^3$ , where x and y shall have some complicated expression; as  $L(x, y) = S^3$  if and only if |x| = 1, we will often replace y by  $\star$  to simplify matters.

Finally, throughout the text the symbols  $\varepsilon$ ,  $\varepsilon_1$ ,  $\eta$ , etc will all denote  $\pm 1$ , and k, n, etc will denote integers.

# 3 $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$ triples

In this section, we enumerate all exceptional  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triples obtained by surgery on the 5CL. Each one of these triples can be thought of as a knot in  $S^3$  with two different lens space surgeries.

#### Theorem 3.1

- If  $\left(M_5\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right), \alpha, \beta, \gamma\right)$  is an  $\left(S^H, T^H, T^H\right)$  triple then it is equivalent to either  $\left(N\left(-\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{14}{5}\right), -2, -1, \infty\right)$  or  $A_n := \left(N\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1-2n}{5n-2}\right), \infty, -2, -1\right)$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- The sets of exceptional slopes and corresponding fillings of  $N\left(-\frac{3}{2},-\frac{14}{5}\right)$  and of  $N\left(-\frac{5}{2},\frac{1-2n}{5n-2}\right)$  for  $n \neq 0$  are given in Table 1.
- All  $N\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1-2n}{5n-2}\right)$  are obtained by filling the Berge manifold; but none of the  $A_n$  is equivalent to  $\left(N\left(-\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{14}{5}\right), -2, -1, \infty\right)$ .

**Remark** If n = 0 then  $N\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1-2n}{5n-2}\right)$  is the exterior of the (-2, 3, 7) pretzel knot, which has 7 exceptional slopes; see [21, Table A.4] for details.

$E\left(N\left(-\frac{5}{2},\frac{1-2n}{5n-2}\right)\right) = \left\{-3,-2,-\frac{3}{2},-1,0,\infty\right\} \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$			
β	$N\left(-\frac{5}{2},\frac{1-2n}{5n-2}\right)(\beta)$		
$\infty$	$S^3$		
-3	$(D, (2, 1), (3, -2)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (2, 1), (3n - 1, 5n - 2))$		
-2	L(18-49n, 7-19n)		
$-2 \\ -\frac{3}{2}$	$(D, (2, 1), (3, 1)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (2, 1), (8n - 3, 5n - 2))$		
-1	L(49n - 19, 31n - 12)		
0	$(D, (2, -1), (5n - 2, 8n - 3)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (2, 1), (3, 1))$		
$\overline{E\left(N\left(-\frac{3}{2},-\frac{14}{5}\right)\right)} = \left\{-3,-\frac{5}{2},-2,-1,0,\infty\right\}$			
β	$N\left(-rac{3}{2},-rac{14}{5} ight)(eta)$		
$\infty$	L(32, -9)		
-3	$(S^2, (2, 1), (3, 2), (9, -5))$		
$-3 \\ -\frac{5}{2}$	$(D, (2, 1), (3, 1)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (2, 1), (4, -5))$		
-2	$S^3$		
-1	<i>L</i> (31, 17)		
0	$(D, (2, 1), (5, -4)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (2, 1), (3, 1))$		

Table 1: The exceptional slopes  $\beta$  and corresponding fillings of hyperbolic knot exteriors in  $S^3$  with two lens space fillings obtained by surgery on 5CL

We prove Theorem 3.1 by first considering, in Section 3.1, all  $(M_5(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in (S^H, T^H, T^H)$  with  $\mathcal{F}$  not factoring through  $M_4$ . This set will turn out to be empty and we proceed in Section 3.2 to investigate the  $(M_4(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in (S^H, T^H, T^H)$ with  $\mathcal{F}$  not factoring through  $M_3$ . Again, there will be no such examples and we will finally consider in Section 3.3 the case  $(M_3(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in (S^H, T^H, T^H)$ . We will produce a complete list of examples, the family  $A_n$  and the isolated example in the statement of Theorem 3.1. The fact that the examples we find are all different is an easy consequence of the results in [21] and is shown at the end of Section 3.3. Throughout the argument, easy (but technical) lemmas from the appendix are referenced.

#### 3.1 Hyperbolic knots with two lens surgeries arising from 5CL

In this section we prove that if  $M_5(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h})$  is a hyperbolic knot exterior admitting two different lens space fillings, then the instruction  $(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h})$  factors through  $M_4$ . If  $(M_5(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in (S^H, T^H, T^H)$  and  $(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h})$  does

not factor through  $M_4$ , then [24, Theorem 4] tells that there are two different scenarios to consider: either there are three exceptional slopes, or there are more. We study separately these two cases, starting with the latter one.

**3.1.1** Case  $e(M_5(\mathcal{F})) > 3$  By application of [24, Theorem 4], we know that the manifold  $M_5(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h})$  is then equivalent to some  $M_5(\mathcal{F})$  listed in [24, Tables 6–11]. A careful inspection of the corresponding exceptional sets, given in [24, Tables 14–20], shows that [24, Tables 17 and 18] are the only ones where types  $S^H$  and  $T^H$  appear simultaneously. The only possible cases are hence  $\mathcal{F} = \left(-2, \frac{p}{q}, 3, \frac{u}{v}\right)$  [24, Table 17] and  $\mathcal{F} = \left(-2, \frac{p}{q}, \frac{r}{s}, -2\right)$  [24, Table 18]. The exceptional slopes are then  $\{-1, 0, 1, \infty\}$ , but, since  $\Delta(S^H, T^H) = \Delta(T^H, T^H) = 1$  [8], the slopes 1 and -1 cannot yield simultaneously cyclic fillings, so 0 and  $\infty$  are necessarily part of the exceptional triple.

•  $\mathcal{F} = \left(-2, \frac{p}{q}, \frac{r}{s}, -2\right)$  0 is the only possibility for the  $S^H$ -filling, and then either  $\frac{p}{q}$  or  $\frac{r}{s}$  is of the form  $1 + \frac{1}{n}$ ; but  $\infty$  is also a  $T^H$ -filling, so |s| = |q| = 1, that is,  $\frac{p}{q}, \frac{r}{s} \in \mathbb{Z}$ . It follows that  $1 + \frac{1}{n}$  is an integer, and the only possibilities are 0 or 2. But, according to Lemma A.4, if it is 0, then  $M_5(\mathcal{F})$  is nonhyperbolic, and if it is 2, then it factors through  $M_4$ .

•  $\mathcal{F} = \left(-2, \frac{p}{q}, 3, \frac{u}{v}\right)$  On the one hand, 0 is a cyclic slope, so it follows that either  $\frac{u}{v} = 3$ ;  $\frac{u}{v} = 3 + \frac{1}{k}$ ;  $\frac{u}{v} = \frac{6n+7}{2n+3} = 3 - \frac{2}{2n+3}$ ; or |(3+2n)u - (7+6n)v| = 1, that is,  $\frac{u}{v} = 3 - \frac{2}{2n+3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{(2n+3)v}$ . Moreover, in the last two cases,  $\frac{p}{q} = 1 + \frac{1}{n}$ , so we can assume that  $n \neq -1, -2$ , otherwise  $M_5(\mathcal{F})$  would be nonhyperbolic or  $\mathcal{F}$ would factor through  $M_4$  because of Lemma A.4. We hence obtain the lower bound  $\frac{u}{v} \geq 3 - \frac{2}{|2n+3|} - \frac{1}{|2n+3|} \geq 3 - \frac{3}{3} = 2$ . On the other hand,  $\infty$  is also a cyclic slope, so either  $\frac{u}{v} = \frac{1}{3}$ ;  $\frac{u}{v} = \frac{2k+1}{6k+1} = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3(6k+1)}$ ;  $v - 3u = \varepsilon$ , that is,  $\frac{u}{v} = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{\varepsilon}{3v}$ ; or |(1+2k)v - (1+6k)u| = 1, that is,  $\frac{u}{v} = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3(6k+1)} + \frac{\varepsilon}{(6k+1)v}$ . It follows that we have the upper bound  $\frac{u}{v} \leq \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3} + 1 = 2$ . In conclusion,  $\frac{u}{v} = 2$  and  $M_5(\mathcal{F})$  factors through  $M_4$  because of Lemma A.4.

**3.1.2** Case  $e(M_5(\mathcal{F})) = 3$  By application of [24, Theorem 4], we know that the exceptional set of slopes is  $\{0, 1, \infty\}$ . Moreover, we have

(1) 
$$M_5\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right)(\infty) = F\left(-\frac{a}{b}, \frac{f}{e}, \frac{d}{c}, -\frac{g}{h}\right) \quad (\text{using (A-23)}).$$

Recall that if one of a, b, c, d, e, f, g or h equals 0, then  $M_5(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h})$  is nonhyperbolic by Lemma A.4. The enumeration of closed fillings of F is found in [24, Table 4]. We will use (1) to translate instructions on  $M_5$  to instructions on F and

carefully consider the entries from [24, Table 4]. In the analysis, T4.*n* will denote the  $n^{\text{th}}$  line of this table.

Considering the  $T^H \cup S^H$ -fillings of F listed in [24, Table 4], and in view of Lemma A.12, we learn that, up to a  $D_4$  permutation of slopes, T4.2–T4.5 is a complete list of necessary and sufficient conditions to have  $M_5(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h})(\infty) \in S^H \cup T^H$ . The lines T4.2 and T4.3, which correspond to  $\frac{p}{q} = 0$ , can be ignored since by (1) and Lemma A.4 they yield a nonhyperbolic filling.

The entry T4.4 tells us that if  $M_5(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h})(\infty) = F(-\frac{a}{b}, \frac{f}{e}, \frac{d}{c}, -\frac{g}{h}) \in S^H \cup T^H$ , then, taking into consideration the action of  $D_4$  on F, one of the following conditions necessarily holds:

- (i)  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{1}{n}$  and  $\frac{e}{f} = k$ .
- (ii)  $\frac{c}{d} = n$  and  $\frac{g}{h} = \frac{1}{k}$ .
- (iii)  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{1}{n}$  and  $\frac{g}{h} = \frac{1}{k}$ .
- (iv)  $\frac{c}{d} = n$  and  $\frac{e}{f} = k$ .

These conditions can all be identified using Lemma A.3. For example, case (i) can be identified to case (iii) using  $\left(M_5\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right), \infty\right) \cong \left(M_5\left(\frac{a}{a-b}, \frac{d-c}{d}, \frac{h}{g}, \frac{f}{e}\right), \infty\right)$ , the isomorphism being given by  $\Psi^3_{(A-4)} \circ \Psi_{(A-6)}$ . In a similar way, case (i) can be identified with case (ii) using  $\Psi_{(A-4)}$  and  $\Psi_{(A-5)}$ , and case (i) can be identified with case (iv) using  $\Psi_{(A-13)}$ .

The entry T4.5 tells us that if  $M_5\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right)(\infty) = F\left(-\frac{a}{b}, \frac{f}{e}, \frac{d}{c}, -\frac{g}{h}\right) \in S^H \cup T^H$ , then, necessarily, one of

- (i)  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{1}{n}$  and  $\frac{c}{d} = \frac{\varepsilon + nk}{k}$ ,
- (ii)  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{k}{\epsilon + nk}$  and  $\frac{c}{d} = n$ ,
- (iii)  $\frac{g}{h} = \frac{1}{n}$  and  $\frac{e}{f} = \frac{\varepsilon + nk}{k}$ ,
- (iv)  $\frac{g}{h} = \frac{k}{c+nk}$  and  $\frac{e}{f} = n$

holds, where  $\varepsilon = \pm 1$ . Then case (i) is identified with case (iv) using  $\Psi_{(A-13)}$ . Moreover, case (i) is identified with case (iii), and case (ii) is identified with case (iv) using  $\Psi_{(A-4)}^4 \circ \Psi_{(A-5)}$ .

Therefore, any  $M_5(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h})$  such that  $(M_5(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in (S^H, T^H, T^H)$ and  $\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\} = \{0, 1, \infty\}$  is equivalent to one of:

- Family 1  $M_5\left(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{c}{d}, k, \frac{g}{h}\right)$ .
- Family 2  $M_5\left(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{\varepsilon+nk}{k}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right)$ .

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**Family 1** We know that both 0 and 1 correspond to  $S^H$  or  $T^H$ -slopes. Examining the 1-slope, we obtain

$$M_{5}\left(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{c}{d}, k, \frac{g}{h}\right)(1) = F\left(\frac{1-n}{n}, \frac{c}{d}, k, \frac{g-h}{h}\right)$$
 (by (A-24))  
=  $(D, (1-n, n), (k, 1)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (c, d), (g-h, h))$  (by Lemma A.11),

which has an essential torus unless  $0, \pm 1 \in \{1 - n, k, c, g - h\}$  by Lemma A.2. Since we are interested in hyperbolic manifolds and instructions not factoring through  $M_4$ , we can use Lemma A.4 to rule out the possibilities  $1 - n, k \in \{0, \pm 1\}$  and c, g - h = 0. We are then left with the cases  $c = \pm 1$  and  $g = h \pm 1$ .

**Case**  $c = \pm 1$  Turning now our attention to the slope 0 and writing  $\frac{c}{d} = \frac{1}{m}$ ,

$$M_5(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{m}, k, \frac{g}{h})(0) = F(\frac{n}{n-1}, 1-m, -\frac{h}{g}, k-1) \quad \text{(by (A-25))},$$

which, by Lemmas A.2 and A.11, has an essential torus unless we are in the case  $0, \pm 1 \in \{n, 1 - m, -h, k - 1\}$ . This time Lemma A.4 leaves us with the necessary condition  $h = \pm 1$ , which translates to  $\frac{g}{h} \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Combining the two necessary conditions and writing  $\frac{g}{h} = l$ , we learn that

$$M_{5}\left(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{m}, k, l\right)(1) = F\left(\frac{1-n}{n}, \frac{1}{m}, k, l-1\right)$$
 (by (A-24))  
=  $(D, (1-n, n), (k, 1)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (1, m), (l-1, 1))$  (by (A-22))  
=  $(S^{2}, (1-n, n), (k, 1), (1+ml-m, 1-l))$  (by (A-1)),

which is in  $S^H \cup T^H$  only if  $\pm 1 \in \{1 + m(l-1), 1-n, k\}$  by Lemma A.2. Lemma A.4 is used to rule out any of these cases occurring. For instance, if 1 + m(l-1) = -1, then m(1-l) = 2 and  $m \in \{\pm 1, \pm 2\}$ ; moreover, if m = -2, then 1 - l = -1 and l = 2, meaning that it factors through  $M_4$  by Lemma A.4.

**Case**  $g = h \pm 1$  As before, turning our attention to the slope 0 and writing  $\frac{g}{h} = 1 + \frac{1}{m}$ , we have

$$M_5(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{c}{d}, k, \frac{m+1}{m})(0) = F(\frac{n}{n-1}, \frac{c-d}{c}, -\frac{m}{m+1}, k-1) \quad (by \ (A-25))$$

which, unless  $0, \pm 1 \in \{n, c - d, m, k - 1\}$ , will have an essential torus by Lemmas A.2 and A.11. Just as in the preceding case, we can use Lemma A.4 to conclude that the only possibility is  $c - d = \pm 1$ , which is equivalent to  $\frac{c}{d} = 1 + \frac{1}{l}$ . Combining the

necessary conditions, we obtain that

$$M_{5}\left(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{l+1}{l}, k, \frac{m+1}{m}\right)(1) = F\left(\frac{1-n}{n}, \frac{l+1}{l}, k, \frac{1}{m}\right)$$
 (by (A-24))  
=  $(D, (1-n, n), (k, 1)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (l+1, l), (1, m))$  (by (A-22))  
=  $(S^{2}, (1-n, n), (k, 1), (l+ml+m, -l-1))$  (by (A-1)),

which is in  $S^H \cup T^H$  only if  $\pm 1 \in \{l + ml + m, 1 - n, k\}$  by Lemma A.2. Lemma A.4 is then used to rule out any of these cases. For instance, if l + ml + m = 1, then m(1 + l) = 1 - l. If l = -1, then  $\frac{l+1}{l} = 0$ ; otherwise,  $\frac{2}{1+l} - 1 = m \in \mathbb{Z}$ , so  $1 + l \in \{\pm 1, \pm 2\}$ , that is,  $\frac{1+l}{l} \in \{\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{2}, \infty, 2\}$ ; moreover, if  $\frac{1+l}{l} = \frac{2}{3}$ , then m = -2and  $\frac{m+1}{m} = \frac{1}{2}$ , meaning that it factors through  $M_4$  by Lemma A.4. The remaining three cases for  $\frac{1+l}{l}$  are directly excluded by Lemma A.4.

**Family 2** The analysis follows verbatim the steps in the study of Family 1. We have assumed that both 0 and 1 correspond to  $S^H$  – or  $T^H$  –slopes. The manifold  $M_5(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{\varepsilon+kn}{k}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h})(1) = F(\frac{1-n}{n}, \frac{\varepsilon+kn}{k}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g-h}{h})$  (by (A-24)) has an essential torus unless  $0, \pm 1 \in \{1-n, \varepsilon+kn, e, g-h\}$  by Lemmas A.2 and A.11. Lemma A.4 implies that  $1-n, \varepsilon+kn \notin \{0, \pm 1\}$  and  $e, g-h \neq 0$ . We are thus left with the possibilities  $e = \pm 1$  and  $g-h = \pm 1$ .

**Case**  $e = \pm 1$  Writing  $\frac{e}{f} = \frac{1}{m}$ , we have

$$M_5\left(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{\varepsilon+kn}{k}, \frac{1}{m}, \frac{g}{h}\right)(0) = F\left(\frac{n}{n-1}, \frac{\varepsilon+(n-1)k}{\varepsilon+kn}, -\frac{h}{g}, \frac{1-m}{m}\right) \quad (by \ (A-25)),$$

which again has an essential torus unless  $0, \pm 1 \in \{n, \varepsilon + (n-1)k, h, 1-m\}$ . Lemma A.4 leaves us with the necessary condition  $h = \pm 1$ . Indeed, among the other cases, the worst situation is  $\varepsilon + (n-1)k = -\varepsilon$ , but then  $(n-1)k = -2\varepsilon$  and  $n-1 \in \{\pm 1, \pm 2\}$ . The first three cases can be directly ruled out by Lemma A.4, and the assumption n-1 = 2 implies that  $k = -\varepsilon$  and hence that  $\frac{\varepsilon + kn}{k} = 2$ , meaning that it factors through  $M_4$  by Lemma A.4. We can hence set  $\frac{g}{h} = l$ . This gives

$$\begin{split} M_5 \big( \frac{1}{n}, \frac{\varepsilon + kn}{k}, \frac{1}{m}, l \big) (1) \\ &= F \big( \frac{1 - n}{n}, \frac{\varepsilon + kn}{k}, \frac{1}{m}, l - 1 \big) & \text{(by (A-24))} \\ &= (D, (1 - n, n), (1, m)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (\varepsilon + kn, k), (l - 1, 1)) & \text{(by (A-22))} \\ &= (S^2, (n + m(1 - n), n - 1), (l - 1, 1), (\varepsilon + nk, k)) & \text{(by (A-1))}, \end{split}$$

which is in  $S^H \cup T^H$  only when  $\pm 1 \in \{n + m(1 - n), l - 1, \varepsilon + nk\}$  by Lemma A.2. These cases are all eliminated using Lemma A.4.

**Case**  $g = h \pm 1$  Turning our attention to the slope 0 and writing  $\frac{g}{h} = 1 + \frac{1}{m}$ , we get

$$M_5\left(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{\varepsilon+kn}{k}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{m+1}{m}\right)(0) = F\left(\frac{n}{n-1}, \frac{\varepsilon+(n-1)k}{\varepsilon+kn}, -\frac{m}{m+1}, \frac{e-f}{f}\right) \quad (by \ (A-25)),$$

which, unless  $0, \pm 1 \in \{n, \varepsilon + (n-1)k, m, e-f\}$ , will have an essential torus by Lemmas A.2 and A.11. Once again we use Lemma A.4 to conclude that the only possibility is  $e - f = \pm 1$ , which can be reformulated as  $\frac{e}{f} = \frac{l+1}{l}$ . Combining the necessary conditions, we obtain

$$\begin{split} M_{5} \Big( \frac{1}{n}, \frac{\varepsilon + kn}{k}, \frac{l+1}{l}, \frac{m+1}{m} \Big) (1) \\ &= F \Big( \frac{1-n}{n}, \frac{\varepsilon + kn}{k}, \frac{l+1}{l}, \frac{1}{m} \Big) & \text{(by (A-24))} \\ &= (D, (1-n, n), (l+1, l)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (\varepsilon + kn, k), (1, m)) & \text{(by (A-22))} \\ &= (S^{2}, (1-n, n), (l+1, l), (k+m(\varepsilon + kn), -kn - \varepsilon)) & \text{(by (A-1))}, \end{split}$$

which is in 
$$S^H \cup T^H$$
 only if  $\pm 1 \in \{k + m(\varepsilon + kn), 1 - n, l + 1\}$  by Lemma A.2.  
Lemma A.4 is used to directly rule out the  $\pm 1 \in \{1 - n, l + 1\}$  cases. Now, if  $k + m(\varepsilon + kn) = \eta$ , then  $m = -\frac{1}{n} + \frac{\eta}{\varepsilon + kn} + \frac{\varepsilon}{n(\varepsilon + kn)}$ . We can assume that  $n, \varepsilon + kn \notin \{0, \pm 1\}$ , otherwise Lemma A.4 would apply. It follows that  $m \in [-\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}]$  and hence

We conclude that if  $(M_5(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in (S^H, T^H, T^H)$  then  $\mathcal{F}$  factors through  $M_4$ . This completes Section 3.1.

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that  $m \in \{0, \pm 1\}$ , which, again, can be ruled out because of Lemma A.4.

In this section we prove that if  $M_4(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f})$  is hyperbolic with three fillings in  $S^H \cup T^H$  then the instruction  $(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f})$  factors through  $M_3$ . From [24, Theorem 5] and a careful inspection of [24, Tables 12, 21 and 22], we deduce that if the triple  $(M_4(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  is in  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$ , then  $e(M_4(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f})) = 4$  and  $\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\} \subset \{0, 1, 2, \infty\}$ . Since  $\Delta(S^H, T^H) = \Delta(T^H, T^H) = 1$  [8], it follows that either  $\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\} = \{1, 2, \infty\}$  or  $\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\} = \{0, 1, \infty\}$ . But one can observe that

$$M_4\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right) \cong M_5\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c-d}{d}, -1, \frac{e-f}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right) \qquad \text{(by Lemma A.5)}$$
$$\cong M_5\left(\frac{c-2d}{c-d}, \frac{b}{b-a}, -1, \frac{h}{h-g}, \frac{e-2f}{e-f}\right) \qquad \text{(using } \Psi_{(A-14)} \circ \Psi_{(A-4)}^2)$$
$$\cong M_4\left(\frac{c-2d}{c-d}, \frac{2b-a}{b-a}, \frac{2h-g}{h-g}, \frac{e-2f}{e-f}\right) \qquad \text{(by Lemma A.5)}$$
$$\cong M_4\left(\frac{e-2f}{e-f}, \frac{c-2d}{c-d}, \frac{2b-a}{b-a}, \frac{2h-g}{h-g}\right) \qquad \text{(by Lemma A.7).}$$

It follows that  $(M_4(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}), 0, 1, \infty) \cong (M_4(\frac{e-2f}{e-f}, \frac{c-2d}{c-d}, \frac{2b-a}{b-a}), 2, \infty, 1)$ . It is hence sufficient to study the case  $\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\} = \{1, 2, \infty\}$ . We examine now the necessary

conditions on the filling instruction  $\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}\right)$  imposed from 1, 2 and  $\infty$  being  $S^H \cup T^H$ -slopes.

### 3.2.1 Necessary conditions from $M_4(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f})(2)$ We have

$$M_4\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}\right)(2) = (D, (a-b, b), (e-f, f)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (c, d), (2, -1)) \quad (by \ (A-21)),$$

which is in  $S^H \cup T^H$  only if  $0, \pm 1 \in \{a - b, e - f, c\}$  by Lemma A.2. If a - b = 0, e - f = 0 or c = 0, then  $\frac{a}{b} = 1$ ,  $\frac{e}{f} = 1$  or  $\frac{c}{d} = 0$ , respectively, which are all excluded by Lemma A.6 since we are only interested in the hyperbolic case. We continue with a case-by-case analysis:

**Case** |a - b| = 1 Up to a simultaneous change of signs for *a* and *b*, we may assume that a - b = 1. This gives us, again by Lemma A.2,

$$M_4\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}\right)(2) = (D, (1, b), (e - f, f)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (c, d), (2, -1)) \quad \text{(by (A-21))}$$
$$= (S^2, (c, d), (2, -1), (f + b(e - f), f - e)) \qquad \text{(by (A-1))},$$

which is in  $S^H \cup T^H$  only if  $\pm 1 \in \{c, f + b(e - f)\}$ . Up to changing the signs of c and d or of e and f, we may hence assume that either c = 1 or b(f - e) = 1 + f.

**Case** |e - f| = 1 Lemma A.7 tells us that  $M_4(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f})(2) = M_4(\frac{e}{f}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{a}{b})(2)$ . So, any example found in this case is contained in the case |a - b| = 1;

**Case** |c = 1| Up to a simultaneous change of signs for c and d, we may assume that c = 1. We get

$$M_4\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}\right)(2) = (D, (a-b, b), (e-f, f)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (1, d), (2, -1)) \quad (by (A-21))$$
$$= (S^2, (e-f, f), (a-b, b), (1-2d, 2)) \qquad (by (A-1)),$$

which is in  $S^H \cup T^H$  only when  $\pm 1 \in \{a - b, e - f, 1 - 2d\}$  by Lemma A.2. If  $1 - 2d = \pm 1$ , then  $d \in \{0, 1\}$ , that is,  $\frac{c}{d} \in \{1, \infty\}$ , which is excluded by Lemma A.6. So either |a - b| = 1 or |e - f| equals 1, and we are left with one of the previous cases.

To summarize, if  $M_4(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f})(2) \in S^H \cup T^H$ , then one of the following sets of conditions holds:

$$(C_2^1) \begin{cases} a-b=1 & (C_2^0), \\ c=1 & (C_2'), \end{cases} \text{ or } (C_2^2) \begin{cases} a-b=1 & (C_2^0), \\ b(f-e)=1+f & (C_2''). \end{cases}$$

#### 3.2.2 Necessary conditions from $M_4(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f})(1)$ We have

$$M_4\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}\right)(1) = (S^2, (a-2b, b), (c-d, c), (e-2f, f)) \quad (by (A-20)),$$

which is in  $S^H \cup T^H$  only if  $\pm 1 \in \{a-2b, c-d, e-2f\}$  by Lemma A.2. So, one of the following conditions necessarily holds:

 $a-2b = \varepsilon_1$  (C<sup>1</sup><sub>1</sub>) or  $c-d = \varepsilon_1$  (C<sup>2</sup><sub>1</sub>) or  $e-2f = \varepsilon_1$  (C<sup>3</sup><sub>1</sub>).

### **3.2.3** Necessary conditions from $M_4\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}\right)(\infty)$ We have

$$M_4(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f})(\infty) = (S^2, (a, b), (d, -c), (e, f)) \quad (by \ (A-18)),$$

which is in  $S^H \cup T^H$  only when  $\pm 1 \in \{a, d, e\}$  by Lemma A.2. So, one of the following conditions necessarily holds:

$$a = \varepsilon_{\infty}$$
 (C<sup>1</sup> <sub>$\infty$</sub> ) or  $d = \varepsilon_{\infty}$  (C<sup>2</sup> <sub>$\infty$</sub> ) or  $e = \varepsilon_{\infty}$  (C<sup>3</sup> <sub>$\infty$</sub> ).

**3.2.4 Enumeration of**  $M_4(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f})$  **satisfying the necessary conditions** We have shown that if the triple  $(M_4(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  is in  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  then  $\mathcal{F}$  is equivalent to a filling instruction  $(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f})$  satisfying one of  $C_2^1$  or  $C_2^2$ , one of  $C_1^1$ ,  $C_1^2$  or  $C_1^3$ , and one of  $C_{\infty}^1$ ,  $C_{\infty}^2$  or  $C_{\infty}^3$ . We will now show that any such  $(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f})$  must factor through  $M_3$ . First, we begin by emphasizing a few incompatibilities between the above conditions.

 $C_2^0$  and  $C_1^1$  Substituting a - b = 1 into  $a - 2b = \varepsilon_1$  gives  $\frac{a}{b} = 1 + \frac{1}{1 - \varepsilon_1} \in \{\frac{3}{2}, \infty\}$ , which is excluded by Lemma A.6.

 $C_2^0$  and  $C_\infty^1$  Substituting  $a = \varepsilon_\infty$  into a - b = 1 gives  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{\varepsilon_\infty}{\varepsilon_\infty - 1} = 1 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon_\infty - 1} \in \{\frac{1}{2}, \infty\}$ , which is excluded by Lemma A.6.

**C'\_2 and C\_1^2** Substituting c = 1 into  $c - d = \varepsilon_1$  gives  $\frac{c}{d} = \frac{1}{1 - \varepsilon_1} \in \{\frac{1}{2}, \infty\}$ , which is excluded by Lemma A.6.

 $C'_2$  and  $C^2_{\infty}$  This gives  $\frac{c}{d} = \pm 1$ , which is excluded by Lemma A.6.

 $C_2^2$  and  $C_1^3$   $C_1^3$  implies  $e - f = f + \varepsilon_1$ , which we substitute into b(f - e) = 1 + f to get  $-b(f + \varepsilon_1) = 1 + f$ . If  $f = -\varepsilon_1$  then  $\frac{e}{f} = -1$ , which is excluded by Lemma A.6, and otherwise  $-b = 1 + \frac{1 - \varepsilon_1}{f + \varepsilon_1}$ . If  $\varepsilon_1 = 1$ , then b = -1, a = 0 and  $\frac{a}{b} = 0$ , which are excluded by Lemma A.6. If  $\varepsilon_1 = -1$  then  $\frac{2}{f-1} = -b-1$  is an integer, so f - 1 divides 2 and  $f \in \{-1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}$ . If f = 3, then b = -2, a = -1 and  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{1}{2}$ , which

is excluded by Lemma A.6. Otherwise,  $\frac{e}{f} = 2 - \frac{1}{f} \in \{1, \frac{3}{2}, 3, \infty\}$ , which is excluded by Lemma A.6.

 $C_2^2$  and  $C_\infty^3$  If  $e = \varepsilon_\infty$  then  $f \neq \pm 1$  by Lemma A.6. Substituting  $e = \varepsilon_\infty$  into b(f-e) = 1 + f gives  $b = 1 + \frac{1+\varepsilon_\infty}{f-\varepsilon_\infty}$ . If  $\varepsilon_\infty = -1$ , then b = 1, a = 2 and  $\frac{a}{b} = 2$ , which is excluded by Lemma A.6. If  $\varepsilon_\infty = 1$  then  $\frac{2}{f-1} = b - 1$  is an integer, and f - 1 divides 2, which implies  $f \in \{-1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}$ . If f = 3, then b = 2, a = 3 and  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{3}{2}$ , which is excluded by Lemma A.6. Otherwise,  $\frac{e}{f} = \frac{1}{f} \in \{-1, \frac{1}{2}, 1, \infty\}$ , which is excluded by Lemma A.6.

 $C_1^2$  and  $C_{\infty}^2$  We have  $c = \varepsilon_{\infty} + \varepsilon_1$  and hence  $\frac{c}{d} = \frac{\varepsilon_{\infty} + \varepsilon}{\varepsilon_{\infty}} = 1 + \varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_{\infty} \in \{0, 2\}$ , which is excluded by Lemma A.6.

 $C_1^3$  and  $C_\infty^3$  We have  $2f = \varepsilon_\infty - \varepsilon_1$  and thus  $f \in \{0, \pm 1\}$ , so  $\frac{e}{f} \in \{\pm 1, \infty\}$ , which is excluded by Lemma A.6.

We now observe that the above analysis is enough to conclude:

- $C_2^0$  necessarily holds. The above analysis implies that  $C_1^1$  or  $C_{\infty}^1$  does not hold.
- If  $C_2^1$  holds then, because of  $C'_2$ , neither  $C_1^2$  nor  $C_{\infty}^2$  holds. It follows that both  $C_1^3$  and  $C_{\infty}^3$  hold, but they can't hold simultaneously. So  $C_2^2$  holds.
- If  $C_2^2$  holds then neither  $C_1^3$  nor  $C_\infty^3$  holds. It follows that both  $C_1^2$  and  $C_\infty^2$  hold, but they can't hold simultaneously.

We conclude that, as announced, if  $(M_4(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in (S^H, T^H, T^H)$  then  $\mathcal{F}$  factors through  $M_3$ .

#### 3.3 Hyperbolic knots with two lens surgeries arising from 3CL

We now enumerate all the hyperbolic knots with two lens space surgeries obtained by surgery on the 3–chain link. We prove the following result:

**Proposition 3.2** If  $(M_3(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  is an  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triple then it is equivalent to either  $(N(-\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{14}{5}), -2, -1, \infty)$  or to  $(N(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1-2k}{5k-2}), \infty, -2, -1)$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

The enumeration of all  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triples obtained by surgery on 3CL comes from [21, Theorem 1.3] and a careful examination of [21, Tables 2–3]. It should be noted that the classification of exceptional fillings on the exterior of the 3–chain link in [21] is performed on the exterior of the mirror image 3CL<sup>\*</sup>. The exterior of 3CL<sup>\*</sup> is denoted by N, and, of course,  $M_3(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}) = N(-\frac{a}{b}, -\frac{c}{d}, -\frac{e}{f})$ . For the sake of clarity when referencing to tables, we will adopt the convention in [21].

First, we note that [21, Table 4] involves no fillings of the form  $L(\star, \star)$ , so we restrict our attention to [21, Tables 2–3]. In [21, Table 3], there are some entries where  $N\left(\frac{p}{q}, \frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right) = L(\star, \star)$ ; however, in each case, slopes –1 or 0 are involved, so if  $\left(N\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}\right), \alpha, \beta, \gamma\right)$  were an  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triple which had some entries in [21, Table 3], then  $\beta$  or  $\gamma$  would be the –1 or 0 slope, otherwise  $N\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}\right)$  would not be hyperbolic, and then there would be no value for  $\alpha$  to carry an  $S^H$ -surgery. It follows then from [21, Theorem 1.3] that, up to equivalence, if  $\left(N\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}\right), \alpha, \beta, \gamma\right) \in (S^H, T^H, T^H)$  then we can assume that at least one of the slopes is –3, –2, –1, 0 or  $\infty$  and that, because of Lemma A.10,  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \{-3, -2, -1, 0, \infty\}$ , otherwise  $N\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}\right)$  would not be hyperbolic. In particular, the  $S^H$ -slope  $\alpha$  is in  $\{-3, -2, -1, 0, \infty\}$ . We now examine each case individually.

**3.3.1** Case 0 is an  $S^H$ -slope We see directly from [21, Table 2] that if  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})(0) = L(\star, \star)$  then  $\frac{r}{s} = n$ ,  $\frac{t}{u} = -4 - n + \frac{1}{m}$  and  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})(0) = L(6m - 1, 2m - 1)$ . So, if  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})(0) = S^3$  then m = 0 and  $\frac{t}{u} = \infty$ , which is discarded by Lemma A.10.

**3.3.2** Case -1 is an  $S^H$ -slope We see from [21, Table 2] that if  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})(-1) = L(\star, \star)$  then  $\frac{r}{s} = -3 + \frac{1}{n}$ , and  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})(-1) = L(2n(t + 3u) - t - u, \star)$ . If  $L(2n(t + 3u) - t - u, \star) = S^3$  then  $2n(t + 3u) - t - u = \pm 1$ . By changing the signs of both t and u, we may assume without loss of generality that

(2) 
$$2n(t+3u) - t - u = 1.$$

Moreover, we know by [8] that  $\Delta(S^H, T^H) = 1$  and, since  $\Delta(-3, -1) = 2$ , it follows that  $\beta, \gamma \in \{-2, 0, \infty\}$ . But, by [8], we also know that  $\Delta(T^H, T^H) = 1$ , so the only pairs of possibilities for the  $T^H$ -slopes are  $\{-2, \infty\}$  and  $\{0, \infty\}$ . From [21, Theorem 1.3] we know that  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})(\infty)$  is always a lens space.

We will now use (see [21, Table 2]) to further refine the constraints,  $\frac{r}{s} = -3 + \frac{1}{n}$  and (2), that we have found by requiring -1 to be an  $S^3$ -slope. This time we will analyse the restrictions we obtain by considering 0 and -2 to be lens space slopes and through this analysis we will enumerate all  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triples. The parameters involved so far in the formulas  $r, s, n, \ldots$  are now to be compared with some formulas in tables using the same notation. We will denote the new parameters as r', s', n', etc to avoid confusion.

**Case 0 is a**  $T^{H}$ -slope Either  $\frac{r}{s} = -3 + \frac{1}{n} = n'$  or  $\frac{r}{s} = -3 + \frac{1}{n} = -4 - n' + \frac{1}{m'}$ .

•  $\frac{r}{s} = -3 + \frac{1}{n} = n'$  Then n' = -2 or -4, and  $\frac{t}{u} = -4 - n' + \frac{1}{m'}$ . The case n' = -2 is excluded by Lemma A.10. The case n' = -4 implies that n = -1 and that  $\frac{t}{u} = \frac{1}{m'}$ , that is, u = m't. From (2), we then have -t(3 + 7m') = 1, which cannot hold.

•  $\frac{r}{s} = -3 + \frac{1}{n} = -4 - n' + \frac{1}{m'}$  Then  $n' + 1 = \frac{1}{m'} - \frac{1}{n} \in [-2, 2] \cup \{\infty\}$ , so  $n' \in \{-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, \infty\}$ . But  $\frac{t}{u} = n'$  and, by Lemma A.10, we know that n' = 1, otherwise  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})$  would not be hyperbolic. It follows that n = -1 and substituting this information in (2) we obtain -10u = 1, which cannot hold.

**Case –2 is a**  $T^H$ -slope Either  $\frac{r}{s} = -3 + \frac{1}{n} = -2 + \frac{1}{n'}$  or  $-2 + \frac{1}{n'} = \frac{t}{u}$  (as before, see [21, Table 2]).

•  $\frac{r}{s} = -2 + \frac{1}{n'} = -3 + \frac{1}{n}$  Then n = 2 and, by (2),  $\left(N\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{t}{u}\right), -1, -2, \infty\right)$  is an  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triple whenever 3t + 11u = 1. Namely, for t = 4 - 11k and u = 3k - 1 with any  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . That is,

(\*) 
$$\left(N\left(-\frac{5}{2},\frac{4-11k}{3k-1}\right),-1,-2,\infty\right)$$

is an  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triple for every  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

•  $-2 + \frac{1}{n'} = \frac{t}{u}$  Then  $\frac{t}{u} = \frac{1-2n'}{n'}$ , so (2) becomes  $2n(1+n') + n' = \frac{n'}{u} + 1$ . This implies that  $\frac{n'}{u}$  is an integer and hence that n' = ku. But  $-2 + \frac{1}{n'} = \frac{t}{u}$ , so that  $\frac{1}{k} = t + 2u \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $k = \pm 1$ . It follows that  $2n(1+n') + n' \in \{0,2\}$ .

If 2n(1+n') + n' = 0, then  $2n = \frac{1}{1+n'} - 1 \in [-2, 0]$ , so  $(n, n') \in \{(-1, -2), (0, 0)\}$ . In the first case, we are led to the  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triple

(\*) 
$$(N(-4, -\frac{5}{2}), -1, -2, \infty)$$

whereas the second case is discarded by Lemma A.10 since  $\frac{r}{s} = \frac{t}{u} = \infty$ .

If 2n(1+n')+n'=2, then  $\frac{3}{2n+1}=n'+1\in\mathbb{Z}$ . It follows that  $n \in \{-2, -1, 0, 1\}$ . For  $n \in \{0, 1\}$ , we have  $\frac{r}{s} = -3 + \frac{1}{n} \in \{-2, \infty\}$ , so the associated space is nonhyperbolic by Lemma A.10. For n = -2 and -1 we find that

(\*) 
$$\left(N\left(-\frac{7}{2},-\frac{5}{2}\right),-1,-2,\infty\right)$$
 and  $\left(N\left(-4,-\frac{9}{4}\right),-1,-2,\infty\right)$ 

are  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triples.

**3.3.3** Case -2 is an  $S^H$ -slope We see from [21, Table 2] that if  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})(-2) = L(\star, \star)$  with  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})$  hyperbolic, then  $\frac{r}{s} = -2 + \frac{1}{n}$ , and

$$N\left(\frac{r}{s},\frac{t}{u}\right)(-2) = L(3n(t+2u)-2t-u,\star).$$

So, up to simultaneously reversing the signs of t and u, we may assume without loss of generality that

(3) 
$$3n(t+2u)-2t-u=1.$$

As in the previous section, since  $\Delta(S^H, T^H) = \Delta(T^H, T^H) = 1$  the only possible pairs of  $T^H$ -slopes are  $\{-3, \infty\}$  and  $\{-1, \infty\}$ . We know that the  $\infty$ -filling is always a lens space by [21, Theorem 1.3]. We now enumerate the new conditions arising from -1 or -3 being  $T^H$ -slopes. We will denote the new parameters with primes.

**Case -1 is a**  $T^H$ -slope From [21, Table 2], either  $-2 + \frac{1}{n} = -3 + \frac{1}{n'}$  or  $\frac{t}{u} = -3 + \frac{1}{n'}$ . •  $-2 + \frac{1}{n} = -3 + \frac{1}{n'}$  Then n = -2 and  $\left(N\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{t}{u}\right), -1, -2, \infty\right)$  is an  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triple whenever 8t + 13u + 1 = 0, that is, for t = 13k - 5 and u = 3 - 8k with any  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . So

(\*) 
$$\left(N\left(-\frac{5}{2},\frac{13k-5}{3-8k}\right),-2,-1,\infty\right)$$

is an  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triple for every  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

•  $-3 + \frac{1}{n'} = \frac{t}{u}$  In this case,  $\frac{t}{u} = \frac{1-3n'}{n'}$  and (3) becomes  $3n(1-n') + 5n' = \frac{n'}{u} + 2$ . This implies that  $\frac{n'}{u}$  is an integer and hence that n' = ku. But  $-3 + \frac{1}{n'} = \frac{t}{u}$ , so that  $\frac{1}{k} = t + 3u \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $k = \pm 1$ . It follows that  $3n(1-n') + 5n' \in \{1,3\}$ .

If 3n(1-n') + 5n' = 1 then  $\frac{4}{5-3n} = 1 - n' \in \mathbb{Z}$ . It follows that  $n \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . For  $n \in \{2, 3\}$  we find that

(\*) 
$$\left(N\left(-\frac{3}{2},-\frac{14}{5}\right),-2,-1,\infty\right)$$
 and  $\left(N\left(-\frac{5}{3},-\frac{5}{2}\right),-2,-1,\infty\right)$ 

are  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triples. For n = 1, we have that  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})$  is nonhyperbolic by Lemma A.10.

If 3n(1-n') + 5n' = 3 then  $\frac{2}{5-3n} = 1 - n' \in \mathbb{Z}$ . It follows that  $n \in \{1, 2\}$ . For n = 1, we have  $\frac{r}{s} = -1$ , which makes  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})$  nonhyperbolic by Lemma A.10. For n = 2 we find that

(\*) 
$$\left(N\left(-\frac{3}{2},-\frac{8}{3}\right),-2,-1,\infty\right)$$

is an  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triple.

**Case -3 is a**  $T^H$ -slope If  $\frac{r}{s}$  or  $\frac{t}{u}$  is -2 then  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})$  is nonhyperbolic by Lemma A.10. So, from [21, Table 2],  $-2 + \frac{1}{n} = -1 + \frac{1}{n'}$ , making n = 2 and  $\frac{t}{u} = -1 + \frac{1}{m'} = \frac{1-m'}{m'}$ . Using (3), we obtain, since n = 2, that  $7m' + 4 = \frac{m'}{u}$ . This implies that  $\frac{m'}{u}$  is an integer and hence that m' = ku. But  $\frac{t}{u} = -1 + \frac{1}{m'}$ , so that  $\frac{1}{k} = t + u \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $k = \pm 1$ . Since  $m' = \frac{m'}{7u} - \frac{4}{7}$ , it follows that  $m' \in \{-\frac{5}{7}, -\frac{3}{7}\}$ , none of which is an integer.

**3.3.4** Case -3 is an  $S^H$ -slope From [21, Table 2], if  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})(-3) = L(\star, \star)$  then either  $\frac{t}{u} = -2$ , which is excluded by Lemma A.10, or  $\frac{r}{s} = -1 + \frac{1}{n}$  and  $\frac{t}{u} = -1 + \frac{1}{m}$ . In the latter case we have  $N(-1 + \frac{1}{n}, -1 + \frac{1}{m})(-3) = L((2n+1)(2m+1)-4, \star) = S^3$  if and only if  $(2n+1)(2m+1)-4 = \pm 1$ ; that is, (2n+1)(2m+1) = 3 or 5. Since both 3 and 5 are primes, it follows that either 2n + 1 or 2m + 1 is  $\pm 1$ . By symmetry, we may assume that  $2n + 1 = \pm 1$ , making n = -1 or 0, which are both excluded by Lemma A.10.

**3.3.5** Case  $\infty$  is an  $S^H$ -slope From [21, Theorem 1.3], we have  $N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right)(\infty) = L(tr - us, \star)$ , so  $\infty$  is an  $S^H$ -slope if and only if

$$(4) tr - us = \pm 1.$$

As before, we have  $\Delta(S^H, T^H) = \Delta(T^H, T^H) = 1$ , so the only possible pairs of  $T^H$ -slopes are  $\{-3, -2\}$ ,  $\{-2, -1\}$  or  $\{-1, 0\}$ . Each  $T^H$ -slope imposes conditions on  $\frac{r}{s}$ ,  $\frac{t}{u}$ . We will use primes on the parameters to denote the conditions imposed from the smallest  $T^H$ -slope and double primes on the parameters coming from the conditions on the second  $T^H$ -slope.

**Case 0 is a**  $T^H$ -slope From [21, Table 2] we have  $\frac{r}{s} = n'$  and  $\frac{t}{u} = -4 - n' + \frac{1}{m'} = \frac{1-m'(n'+4)}{m'}$ . Equation (4) then becomes  $(1 - m'(n'+4))n' = m' \pm 1$ . According to Lemma A.16, we have  $n' \in \{-5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1\}$ . For  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})$  to be hyperbolic, n' cannot be in  $\{-3, -2, -1, 0\}$  because of Lemma A.10; we are hence left with cases  $(n', m') \in \{(-5, -1), (-4, -5), (-4, -3), (1, 0)\}$ . If (n', m') = (-5, -1) then  $\frac{t}{u} = 0$ , and if (n', m') = (1, 0) then  $\frac{t}{u} = \infty$ . So, these cases are both excluded by Lemma A.10. The other two cases

(\*) 
$$\left(N\left(-4, -\frac{1}{5}\right), \infty, -1, 0,\right)$$
 and  $\left(N\left(-4, -\frac{1}{3}\right), \infty, -1, 0\right)$ 

are indeed  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triples.

**Case –2 and –1 are the**  $T^H$  –slopes In this case, either  $-2 + \frac{1}{n'} = -3 + \frac{1}{n''}$  or, up to symmetry,  $\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right) = \left(\frac{1-2n'}{n'}, \frac{1-3n''}{n''}\right)$ .

•  $-2 + \frac{1}{n'} = -3 + \frac{1}{n''}$  Then n' = -2 and, up to symmetry, we may assume that  $\frac{r}{s} = -\frac{5}{2}$ . Up to a simultaneous change of sign for t and u, (4) becomes 5t + 2u = 1 and this leads to

(\*) 
$$\left(N\left(-\frac{5}{2},\frac{1-2k}{5k-2}\right),\infty,-2,-1\right),$$

which is indeed an  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triple for every  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

• 
$$\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right) = \left(\frac{1-2n'}{n'}, \frac{1-3n''}{n''}\right)$$
 Equation (4) becomes  $2n' + 3n'' - 5n'n'' \in \{0, 2\}$ .

If 2n' + 3n'' = 5n'n'', then  $n' = \frac{3n''}{5n''-2} \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $n'' \ge 0$  then the condition  $5n'' - 2 \le 3n''$ implies that  $n'' \le 1$ . If  $n'' \le 0$  then the condition  $3n'' \le 5n'' - 2$  implies that  $n'' \ge 1$ . It follows that either n'' = 0, and then  $\frac{t}{u} = \infty$ , or n'' = 1, and then  $\frac{t}{u} = -2$ . Both cases are excluded by Lemma A.10.

If 2n' + 3n'' = 2 + 5n'n'', then  $n' = \frac{3n''-2}{5n''-2} \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If n'' < 0 then 0 < n' < 1, and if  $n'' \ge \frac{2}{3}$  then 0 < n' < 1. So n'' = 0 and  $\frac{t}{u} = \infty$ , which is excluded by Lemma A.10.

**Case -3 is a**  $T^H$ -slope From [21, Table 2] we have  $\frac{r}{s} = -2$ , which is excluded by Lemma A.10, or  $\frac{r}{s} = \frac{1-n'}{n'}$  and  $\frac{t}{u} = \frac{1-m'}{m'}$ . In the latter case, (4) becomes n' + m' = 0 or 2. Using  $\Delta(T^H, T^H) = 1$ , if -3 is a  $T^H$ -slope then -2 is the only possible second  $T^H$ . But then, according to [21, Table 2], we have  $-1 + \frac{1}{n'} = -2 + \frac{1}{n''}$  and hence n' = -2. Subbing this value into (4) with  $\frac{t}{u} = \frac{1-m'}{m'}$  we find that either m' = 2 or 4. This leads to

(\*) 
$$\left(N\left(-\frac{3}{2},-\frac{1}{2}\right),\infty,-3,-2\right)$$
 and  $\left(N\left(-\frac{3}{2},-\frac{3}{4}\right),\infty,-3,-2\right)$ ,

which are actually  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triples.

**3.3.6 Identifying cases** We have proved that the only  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triples of the form  $\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{\mu}\right), \alpha, \beta, \gamma\right)$  are

- (i)  $A_n := \left( N\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1-2n}{5n-2}\right), \infty, -2, -1 \right) \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{Z};$
- (ii)  $A'_n := \left( N\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{4-11n}{3n-1}\right), -1, -2, \infty \right) \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{Z};$
- (iii)  $A''_n := \left( N\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{13n-5}{3-8n}\right), -2, -1, \infty \right) \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{Z};$
- (iv)  $\left(N\left(-4, -\frac{5}{2}\right), -1, -2, \infty\right);$
- (v)  $\left(N\left(-\frac{7}{2},-\frac{5}{2}\right),-1,-2,\infty\right);$
- (vi)  $\left(N\left(-4, -\frac{9}{4}\right), -1, -2, \infty\right);$
- (vii)  $\left(N\left(-\frac{3}{2},-\frac{14}{5}\right),-2,-1,\infty\right);$

- (viii)  $\left(N\left(-\frac{5}{3},-\frac{5}{2}\right),-2,-1,\infty\right);$ (ix)  $\left(N\left(-\frac{3}{2},-\frac{8}{3}\right),-2,-1,\infty\right);$ 
  - (x)  $\left(N\left(-4, -\frac{1}{5}\right), \infty, -1, 0\right);$
  - (xi)  $(N(-4, -\frac{1}{3}), \infty, -1, 0);$
- (xii)  $\left(N\left(-\frac{3}{2},-\frac{1}{2}\right),\infty,-3,-2\right);$
- (xiii)  $\left(N\left(-\frac{3}{2},-\frac{3}{4}\right),\infty,-3,-2\right).$

In this list there are many repetitions. Indeed, using the first equality in Theorem 1.5 of [21], we obtain that cases (iv) and (ix), cases (vi) and (vii), cases (x) and (xiii), and cases (xi) and (xii) are pairwise isomorphic. Using the third equality in [21, Theorem 1.5], we obtain that cases (vii) and (xiii) on the one hand, and cases (ix) and (xii) on the other hand, are pairwise isomorphic. Moreover, using the second equality in [21, Theorem 1.5], we see that  $A''_n \cong A'_n \cong A_n$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Finally, it can be noted that, up to Lemma A.8, case (iv) is  $A'_0$ , case (iv) is  $A'_1$  and case (viii) is  $A''_0$ . Summing up, all cases are either isomorphic to case (vii) or to  $A_n$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**3.3.7 Distinctness of examples** The Berge manifold is the unique hyperbolic knot exterior in a solid torus T with three distinct solid torus fillings [12]. The Berge manifold is equal to  $N\left(-\frac{5}{2}\right)$  [21]. By filling along a  $\frac{1}{n}$ -slope on  $\partial T$  we obtain a family of hyperbolic knot exteriors with two lens space fillings. As our enumeration of  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triples obtained by surgery on 5CL is exhaustive, the family of  $(S^H, T^H, T^H)$  triples obtained by filling along a boundary component of the Berge manifold is  $\{(N\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1-2n}{5n-2}\right), \infty, -2, -1)\}$ .

By considering the sets of exceptional fillings, we will now show that  $N\left(-\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{14}{5}\right) \neq N\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1-2n}{5n-2}\right)$  for any *n*. Using [21, Tables 2–3] we can write down the set of exceptional slopes and fillings of  $N\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1-2n}{5n-2}\right)$  and  $N\left(-\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{14}{5}\right)$ ; the result is shown in Table 1. We immediately observe that  $N\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1-2n}{5n-2}\right)$  has three distinct toroidal fillings, and that  $N\left(-\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{14}{5}\right)$  has only two toroidal fillings. This shows  $N\left(-\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{14}{5}\right) \neq N\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1-2n}{5n-2}\right)$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

## 4 $(S^H, T^H, T)$ triples

In this section, we enumerate all  $(S^H, T^H, T)$  triples obtained by surgery on the 5CL and realizing the maximal distance. We know, from [24, Theorem 1], that if  $(M_5(\mathcal{F}), \beta, \gamma) \in (T^H, T)$ , then  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) \leq 3$ .

	$E\left(N\left(-1+\frac{1}{n},-1-\frac{1}{n}\right)\right) = \{-3,-2,-1,0,\infty\}$ for $n > 2$
β	$N\left(-1+\frac{1}{n},-1-\frac{1}{n}\right)(\beta)$
$\infty$	S <sup>3</sup>
-3	$L(4n^2 + 3, 2n^2 + n + 2)$
-2	$(S^2, (3, 2), (1 + n, n), (1 - n, n))$
-1	$(S^2, (2, 1), (1 + 2n, -n), (1 - 2n, n))$
0	$(D, (n, 1+n), (n, n-1)) \cup \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} (D, (2, 1), (3, 1))$
	$E\left(N\left(-1+\frac{1}{n},-1-\frac{1}{n-2}\right)\right) = \{-3,-2,-1,0,\infty\} \text{ for } n \ge 4$
β	$N\left(-1+\frac{1}{n},-1-\frac{1}{n-2}\right)(\beta)$
$\infty$	S <sup>3</sup>
-3	$L(4n^2+8n-1,2n^2-3n)$
-2	$(S^2, (1+n, n), (3-n, n-2), (3, 2))$
-1	$(S^2, (2, 1), (1 + 2n, -n), (5 - 2n, n - 2))$
0	$(D, (n, 1+n), (2-n, 2-n))3 - 3n \cup \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} (D, (2, 1), (3, 1))$

Table 2: The sets of exceptional slopes and fillings of all knot exteriors obtained by surgery on the minimally twisted 5-chain link realizing  $\Delta(T^H, T) = 3$  or  $\Delta(T^H, Z) = 2$ 

- **Theorem 4.1** If  $(M_5(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  is an  $(S^H, T^H, T)$  triple with  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) = 3$ , then it is equivalent to either the triple  $B_n := (N(-1 + \frac{1}{n}, -1 - \frac{1}{n}), \infty, -3, 0)$ for some integer  $n \ge 2$ , or to  $C_n := (N(-1 + \frac{1}{n}, -1 - \frac{1}{n-2}), \infty, -3, 0)$  for some integer  $n \ge 4$ .
  - For n > 2, E(B<sub>n</sub>) = {-3, -2, -1, 0, ∞} and the exceptional fillings are given in Table 2. For n = 2, B<sub>n</sub> is the exterior of the pretzel knot (-2, 3, 7) and e(B<sub>n</sub>) = 7.
  - For n ≥ 4, E(C<sub>n</sub>) = {-3, -2, -1, 0, ∞} and the exceptional fillings are given in Table 2.
  - None of the  $B_n$  is equivalent to a  $C_k$ .

In Section 4.1, we show that if  $(M_5(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  or  $(M_4(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  is in  $(S^H, T^H, T)$  with  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) = 3$ , then  $\mathcal{F}$  factors through  $M_3$ . If  $M_3(\mathcal{F})$  is hyperbolic then, by [21, Corollay A.6], we know that either  $e(M_3(\mathcal{F})) > 5$ , and then it appears in [21, Tables A.2–A.9], or  $e(M_3(\mathcal{F})) = 5$ ; Sections 4.2–4.3 investigate the exceptional triples

arising from  $M_3$  in these two cases. Note that [21] classifies the exceptional filling instructions and fillings on N, the exterior of the mirror image of 3CL. Of course, Nand  $M_3$  are homeomorphic but, for the instructions, the slopes differ by a sign change; namely,  $M_3(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3) = N(-\alpha_1, -\alpha_2, -\alpha_3)$ . For the sake of clarity, as we work with the tables in [21], we will use the filling instructions on N. Finally, Section 4.4 concludes the proof by comparing the different families thus obtained.

## 4.1 $(S^H, T^H, T)$ triples from 5CL and 4CL

A complete enumeration of  $E(M_5(\mathcal{F}))$  for  $\mathcal{F}$  not factoring through  $M_4$  is given in [24, Theorem 4]. If  $E(M_5(\mathcal{F})) = \{0, 1, \infty\}$ , then all slopes are at distance 1. Moreover, a careful inspection of [24, Tables 6–11] shows that only [24, Table 6] has exceptional slopes at distance 3, but then [24, Table 14] shows that none of these examples contains an  $S^H$ -slope. Any exceptional triple  $(M_5(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in (S^H, T^H, T)$  with  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) = 3$  has  $\mathcal{F}$  factoring through  $M_4$ .

Similarly, Theorem 5 of [24] gives a complete enumeration of  $E(M_4(\mathcal{F}))$  for  $\mathcal{F}$  not factoring through  $M_3$ . Again, if  $E(M_5(\mathcal{F})) = \{0, 1, 2, \infty\}$  then all exceptional slopes are at distance at most 2, and [24, Tables 21–22] shows that, otherwise, there is no example containing simultaneously  $S^H$ ,  $T^H$  and T slopes. Any triple  $(M_4(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in (S^H, T^H, T)$  with  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) = 3$  must have  $\mathcal{F}$  factoring through  $M_3$ .

## 4.2 $(S^H, T^H, T)$ triples from $N(\mathcal{F})$ with $e(N(\mathcal{F})) > 5$

We recall that, for the sake of clarity, we use here filling instructions on N, and that they actually differ in sign from the filling instructions on  $M_3$ .

Any filling instruction  $\mathcal{F}$  on N consisting of two slopes and such that  $e(N(\mathcal{F})) > 5$  can be found in [21, Tables A.2–A.9]. Tables A.2, A.3, A.4 and A.9 each contain a finite list of  $N(\mathcal{F})$ . The remaining tables consist of four infinite families. We proceed to examine each of these tables in our quest for examples.

**4.2.1 Examples arising from [21, Tables A.2–A.4 and A.9]** The only hyperbolic knots, ie  $N(\mathcal{F})$  with an  $S^H$ -filling, listed are N(1, 2) — also known as the figure eight knot — in Table A.2 and  $N(-4, -\frac{1}{3})$  — the (-2, 3, 7) pretzel knot — in Table A.4. The former has no lens space filling while the latter gives a unique  $(S^H, T^H, T)$  triple with  $\Delta(T^H, T) = 3$ . So, from Tables A.2–A.4 and A.9 the only example we get is

(\*) 
$$(N(-4, -\frac{1}{3}), \infty, 0, -3) \in (S^H, T^H, T).$$

**4.2.2 Examples arising from [21, Table A.5]** This table enumerates  $N(\mathcal{F}) = N(1, \frac{r}{s})$  cases with exceptional  $\frac{p}{q} \in E(N(\mathcal{F})) = \{-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, \infty\}$ . By a direct inspection, we see that an  $S^H$ -filling can arise in only two ways: either  $\frac{p}{q} = \infty$  and  $\frac{r}{s} = -5 + \frac{1}{n}$  with n = 0—but then  $\frac{r}{s} = \infty$ , so  $\mathcal{F}$  contains  $\infty$ , which is discarded by Lemma A.10—or  $\frac{p}{q} = \infty$  with  $r - s = \pm 1$ . In the latter case, up to a simultaneous change of sign for r and s, we can even assume without loss of generality that r = s + 1. Moreover, if  $N(1, \frac{r}{s})(\alpha)$  is toroidal then  $\alpha$  is either -3 or 1. We study both cases separately.

-3 is a toroidal slope on  $N(1, \frac{r}{s})$  Then  $\frac{p}{q} = 0$  is the only case with  $N(1, \frac{r}{s})(\frac{p}{q}) \in T^H$  and  $\Delta(\frac{p}{q}, -3) = 3$ . But, moreover,  $\frac{r}{s}$  would be equal to  $-5 + \frac{1}{n}$  from [21, Table A.5], which is not compatible with the relation r = s + 1, otherwise we would obtain  $6 = \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{s} \in [-2, 2] \cup \{\infty\}$ .

**1 is a toroidal slope on**  $N(1, \frac{r}{s})$  Then  $\frac{p}{q} = -2$  is the only case satisfying  $N(1, \frac{r}{s})$  hyperbolic,  $N(1, \frac{r}{s})(\frac{p}{q}) \in T^H$  and  $\Delta(\frac{p}{q}, 1) = 3$ . However, from [21, Table A.5], we learn that under these assumptions  $\frac{r}{s}$  needs to be equal to  $-2 + \frac{1}{n}$ , which is not compatible with the relation r = s + 1, otherwise we would obtain  $3 = \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{s} \in [-2, 2] \cup \{\infty\}$ .

**4.2.3 Examples arising from [21, Table A.6]** This table enumerates  $N(\mathcal{F}) = N\left(-\frac{3}{2}, \frac{r}{s}\right)$  cases with exceptional  $\frac{p}{q} \in E(N(\mathcal{F})) = \{-3, -\frac{5}{2}, -2, -1, 0, \infty\}$ . By a direct inspection, we see that the possible  $S^H$ -slopes are -3, -2, -1 and  $\infty$ . Examining each possible case individually we find:

 $\frac{p}{q} = \infty$  is an  $S^H$ -slope Then  $\Delta(\frac{p}{q}, \alpha) \leq 2$  for all  $\alpha \in E(N(\mathcal{F}))$ .

 $\frac{p}{q} = -3$  is an  $S^H$ -slope Then  $\frac{r}{s} = -1 + \frac{1}{n}$  and  $6n + 7 = \pm 1$ . The only possibility is n = -1 but then  $\frac{r}{s} = -2$  and  $N(\mathcal{F})$  is nonhyperbolic by Lemma A.10.

 $\frac{p}{q} = -2$  is an  $S^H$ -slope Then  $4r + 11s = \pm 1$ , and up to a simultaneous change of sign for r and s, we may even assume that 4r + 11s = 1, or equivalently that  $\frac{r}{s} = \frac{1}{4s} - \frac{11}{4}$ . The distance 3 pairs of slopes from  $E(N(-\frac{3}{2}, \frac{r}{s}))$  are  $\{-3, 0\}$  and  $\{-\frac{5}{2}, -1\}$ . In the first case, -3 must be the lens space surgery and  $\frac{r}{s}$  is forced to be  $-1 + \frac{1}{n}$ ; then  $-1 + \frac{1}{n} = \frac{r}{s} = \frac{1}{4s} - \frac{11}{4}$ , from where we arrive at the contradiction  $\frac{7}{4} = \frac{1}{4s} - \frac{1}{n} \le \frac{5}{4}$ . In the second case, -1 must be the lens space surgery and  $\frac{r}{s}$  is forced to be  $-3 + \frac{1}{n}$ ; then  $-3 + \frac{1}{n} = \frac{r}{s} = \frac{1}{4s} - \frac{11}{4}$ , that is, 4s - n = ns. According to Lemma A.15 we then have  $(n, s) \in \{(0, 0), (3, 3), (5, -5), (8, -2), (6, -3), (2, 1)\}$ . • (n,s) = (0,0) Then  $\frac{r}{s} = -3 + \frac{1}{n} = \infty$  and the space is nonhyperbolic by Lemma A.10.

- (n,s) = (3,3) Then  $\frac{r}{s} = -3 + \frac{1}{n} = -\frac{8}{3}$  and this is excluded from Table A.6.
- (n, s) = (5, -5) We then obtain

(\*) 
$$\left(N\left(-\frac{3}{2},-\frac{14}{5}\right),-2,-1,-\frac{5}{2}\right),$$

which is indeed an  $(S^H, T^H, T)$  triple with  $\Delta(T^H, T) = 3$ .

- (n,s) = (8,-2) Then  $r = \frac{1}{4} \frac{11s}{4} = \frac{23}{4} \notin \mathbb{Z}$ , which is a contradiction.
- (n, s) = (6, -3) Then  $r = \frac{34}{4} \notin \mathbb{Z}$ , which is a contradiction.
- (n,s) = (2,1) Then  $r = -\frac{10}{4} \notin \mathbb{Z}$ , which is a contradiction.

 $\frac{p}{q} = -1$  is an  $S^H$ -slope Then  $\frac{r}{s} = -3 + \frac{1}{n}$  and  $6n + 1 = \pm 1$ . The only possibility is n = 0, but then  $\frac{r}{s} = \infty$  and  $N(\mathcal{F})$  is nonhyperbolic by Lemma A.10.

**4.2.4 Examples arising from [21, Table A.7]** This table enumerates  $N(\mathcal{F}) = N\left(-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{r}{s}\right)$  cases with exceptional  $\frac{p}{q} \in E(N(\mathcal{F})) = \{-3, -2, -\frac{3}{2}, -1, 0, \infty\}$ . By a direct inspection, we see that the possible  $T^H$ -slopes are -2, -1 and  $\infty$ . But none of these slopes are at distance 3 from any other slope in  $E(N(\mathcal{F}))$ .

**4.2.5 Examples arising from [21, Table A.8]** This table enumerates  $N(\mathcal{F}) = N\left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{r}{s}\right)$  cases with exceptional  $\frac{p}{q} \in E(N(\mathcal{F})) = \{-4, -3, -2, -1, 0, \infty\}$ . By a direct inspection, we see that the possible  $S^H$ -slopes are -3, -1 and  $\infty$ . However, if  $\frac{p}{q} \in \{-3, -1\}$  corresponds to an  $S^H$ -filling, then  $\frac{r}{s}$  is either  $-1 + \frac{1}{n}$  or  $-3 + \frac{1}{n}$  with n = 0, that is,  $\frac{r}{s} = \infty$ , which makes  $N(\mathcal{F})$  nonhyperbolic by Lemma A.10. We can hence assume that the  $S^H$ -slope is  $\infty$  and, up to a simultaneous change of sign for r and s, that r + 2s = 1, that is,  $\frac{r}{s} = -2 + \frac{1}{s}$ . Now, the only pairs of slopes at distance 3 in  $E(N(\mathcal{F}))$  are (-4, -1) and (-3, 0), and Table A.8 tells us that neither -4 nor 0 can correspond to a lens space filling. On the other hand, if  $\frac{p}{q} \in \{-3, -1\}$  corresponds to a  $T^H$ -filling, then  $\frac{r}{s}$  is either  $-1 + \frac{1}{n}$  or  $-3 + \frac{1}{n}$ . But, since  $\frac{r}{s} = -2 + \frac{1}{s}$ , it follows that  $\frac{r}{s}$  is either  $-\frac{5}{2}$  or  $-\frac{3}{2}$ , which are both excluded from Table A.8.

### 4.3 $(S^H, T^H, T)$ triples arising from $N(\mathcal{F})$ with $e(N(\mathcal{F})) = 5$

The same arguments presented at the beginning of Section 3.3 reduce the study of the cases coming from [21, Theorem 1.3 and Tables 2–4] to just [21, Table 2 and Theorem 1.3], namely to the hyperbolic  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})$  with  $E(N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})) = \{-3, -2, -1, 0, \infty\}$ . Such  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})(\frac{p}{q})$  can be toroidal only when  $\frac{p}{q} = -3$  or 0.

**4.3.1** Case  $\frac{p}{q} = -3$  is the *T*-filling In this case, [21, Table 2] gives us the conditions that  $\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u} \neq -1 - \frac{1}{n}$ . We also require the lens space slope to be at distance 3 from the toroidal slope, so  $\frac{p}{q} = 0$  should be the lens space slope and this implies that  $\{\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\} = \{n, -4 - n + \frac{1}{m}\}$  [21, Table 2]. Up to symmetry, we may hence assume that  $\frac{r}{s} = n$  and  $\frac{t}{u} = -4 - n + \frac{1}{m}$ . The possible  $S^H$ -slopes are now -1, -2 and  $\infty$ .

Case  $\frac{p}{q} = -1$  is the  $S^H$ -slope Then either  $\frac{r}{s} = -3 + \frac{1}{n'} = n$  or  $\frac{t}{u} = -3 + \frac{1}{n'} = -4 - n + \frac{1}{m}$ .

•  $\frac{\mathbf{r}}{\mathbf{s}} = -3 + \frac{1}{n'} = n$  Then  $\frac{1}{n'} = 3 + n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , so  $3 + n = \pm 1$  and  $n \in \{-4, -2\}$ . For  $N(\mathcal{F})$  to be hyperbolic, n is necessarily -4 because of Lemma A.10, so  $\frac{t}{u} = \frac{1}{m}$ . However, from [21, Table 2] we then get  $N(\mathcal{F})(-1) = N\left(-4, \frac{1}{m}\right)(-1) = L(-3 - 7m, \star) \neq S^3$ .

•  $\frac{t}{u} = -3 + \frac{1}{n'} = -4 - n + \frac{1}{m}$  Then  $1 + n = \frac{1}{m} - \frac{1}{n'} \in [-2, 2]$ , so  $n \in \{-3, -2, -1, 0, 1\}$ . Because of Lemma A.10,  $N(\mathcal{F})$  is hyperbolic only when n = 1. But then n' = -1 and  $\frac{t}{u} = -4$ , so, again from [21, Table 2],  $N(\mathcal{F})(-1) = N(1, -4)(-1) = L(-10, \star) \neq S^3$ .

Case  $\frac{p}{q} = -2$  is the  $S^H$ -slope Then either  $\frac{r}{s} = -2 + \frac{1}{n'} = n$  or  $\frac{t}{u} = -2 + \frac{1}{n'} = -4 - n + \frac{1}{m}$ .

•  $\frac{r}{s} = -2 + \frac{1}{n'} = n$  Then  $\frac{1}{n'} = 2 + n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , so n = -3 or n = -1. In both cases,  $N(\mathcal{F})$  is nonhyperbolic by Lemma A.10.

•  $\frac{t}{u} = -2 + \frac{1}{n'} = -4 - n + \frac{1}{m}$  Then  $2 + n = \frac{1}{m} - \frac{1}{n'} \in [-2, 2]$ , so we must have  $n \in \{-4, -3, -2, -1, 0\}$ . Because of Lemma A.10,  $N(\mathcal{F})$  is hyperbolic only when n = -4. But then n' = 1 and  $\frac{t}{u} = -2 + \frac{1}{n'} = -1$ , which makes  $N(\mathcal{F})$  nonhyperbolic by Lemma A.10.

Case  $\frac{p}{q} = \infty$  is the S<sup>H</sup>-slope Then from [21, Theorem 1.3] we know

$$N(\mathcal{F})(\infty) = N\left(n, \frac{1-m(n+4)}{m}\right)(\infty) = L\left((1-m(n+4))n - m, \star\right).$$

For  $N(\mathcal{F})(\infty)$  to be  $S^3$ , it is hence required that  $(1 - m(n + 4))n = m \pm 1$ . By Lemma A.16, it then follows that  $n \in \{-5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1\}$ . For  $N(\mathcal{F}) = N\left(n, \frac{1-m(n+4)}{m}\right)$  to be hyperbolic, *n* cannot be in  $\{-3, -2, -1, 0\}$  because of Lemma A.10, so the only cases to be checked are  $(n, m) \in \{(-5, -1), (-4, -5), (-4, -3), (1, 0)\}$ . The cases (n, m) = (-5, -1), (1, 0) yield again a nonhyperbolic  $N(\mathcal{F})$ , while (n, m) = (-4, -5), (-4, -3) give the  $(S^H, T^H, T)$  triples

(\*) 
$$\left(N\left(-4, -\frac{1}{5}\right), \infty, 0, -3\right)$$
 and  $\left(N\left(-4, -\frac{1}{3}\right), \infty, 0, -3\right)$ 

with  $\Delta(T^H, T) = 3$ .

**4.3.2** Case  $\frac{p}{q} = 0$  is a *T*-filling To have a  $T^H$ -slope at distance 3 from the toroidal slope, we need that  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})(-3) \in T^H$ . According to [21, Table 2], it follows that either  $\frac{r}{s} = -2$ , but then  $N(\mathcal{F})$  is nonhyperbolic because of Lemma A.10, or  $\frac{r}{s} = -1 + \frac{1}{n}$  and  $\frac{t}{u} = -1 + \frac{1}{m}$ . The  $S^H$ -slope is then one of -1, -2 or  $\infty$ .

Case  $\frac{p}{q} = -2$  is the  $S^H$ -slope Then, up to symmetry,  $\frac{r}{s} = -2 + \frac{1}{n'} = -1 + \frac{1}{n}$ , so n' = 2. Since  $\frac{t}{u} = \frac{1-m}{m}$ , Table 2 of [21] tells us that  $N(\mathcal{F})(-2) = L(4+7m, \star) \neq S^3$ .

Case  $\frac{p}{q} = -1$  is the S<sup>H</sup>-slope Then, up to symmetry,  $\frac{r}{s} = -3 + \frac{1}{n'} = -1 + \frac{1}{n}$ , so  $\frac{r}{s} = -2$ , which makes  $N(\mathcal{F})$  nonhyperbolic by Lemma A.10.

Case  $\frac{p}{q} = \infty$  is the S<sup>H</sup>-slope Then, from [21, Theorem 1.3], we know

$$N(\mathcal{F})(\infty) = N\left(\frac{1-n}{n}, \frac{1-m}{m}\right)(\infty) = L(1-n-m, \star).$$

For  $N(\mathcal{F})(\infty)$  to be  $S^3$ , it is hence required that  $1-n-m = \pm 1$ , that is,  $n+m \in \{0, 2\}$ . The first case leads to

(\*) 
$$B_n := \left(N\left(-1 + \frac{1}{n}, -1 - \frac{1}{n}\right), \infty, -3, 0\right)$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0, \pm 1\}$  and the second to

(\*) 
$$C_n := \left( N\left(-1 + \frac{1}{n}, -1 - \frac{1}{n-2}\right), \infty, -3, 0 \right)$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0, \pm 1, 2, 3\}$ , both of which families are indeed  $(S^H, T^H, T)$  triples with  $\Delta(T^H, T) = 3$ .

#### 4.4 Conclusion

In Sections 4.1–4.3, we have proved that the only  $(S^H, T^H, T)$  triples obtained by surgery on the 5CL and that realize  $\Delta(T^H, T) = 3$  are

• 
$$B_n = N\left(-1 + \frac{1}{n}, -1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)(\infty, -3, 0)$$
 for  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0, \pm 1\};$ 

• 
$$C_n = N\left(-1 + \frac{1}{n}, -1 - \frac{1}{n-2}\right)(\infty, -3, 0)$$
 for  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0, \pm 1, 2, 3\};$ 

• 
$$N\left(-\frac{3}{2},-\frac{14}{5}\right)\left(-2,-1,-\frac{5}{2}\right);$$

• 
$$N(-4, -\frac{1}{3})(\infty, 0, -3);$$

•  $N(-4, -\frac{1}{5})(\infty, 0, -3).$ 

The last three isolated cases can be seen to be redundant using [21, Theorem 1.5]. Indeed,  $(N(-4, -\frac{1}{3}), \infty, 0, -3) \cong B_{-2}$  and  $(N(-4, -\frac{1}{5}), \infty, 0, -3) \cong C_{-2}$  follow from the first equality, and  $(N(-\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{14}{5}), -2, -1, -\frac{5}{2}) \cong C_{-2}$  from the third equality. This

completes the proof that every  $(S^H, T^H, T)$  triple with  $\Delta(T^H, T) = 3$  is equivalent to some  $B_n$  or  $C_n$ . But, furthermore,  $B_{-n} \cong B_n$  and  $C_{-n} \cong C_{n+2}$  for all *n* because of Lemma A.8.

We now show that these two families are distinct. This is done by comparing their exceptional fillings. Using [21, Theorem 1.3 and Table 2] we can indeed write down the exceptional slopes and fillings of both  $N\left(-1+\frac{1}{n},-1-\frac{1}{n}\right)$  and  $N\left(-1+\frac{1}{n},-1-\frac{1}{n-2}\right)$ ; the result is shown in Table 2. We note that both  $B_n$  and  $C_n$  have a unique lens space filling, namely  $B_n(-3) = L(4n^2 + 3, 2n^2 + n + 2)$  and  $C_n(-3) = L(4n^2 + 8n - 1, 2n^2 - 3n)$ . If  $B_n(-3) = C_k(-3)$  for some  $n, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then the order of their fundamental groups should be equal. But it is well known that  $\pi_1(L(p,q))$  is the cyclic group of order p (see for example [23, Exercise 9.B.5]); so it would follow that  $3 + 4n^2 = 4k^2 + 8k - 1$  if and only if 4(n-k)(k+n) = 2(4k-1), and this would imply that 2|4k-1, which is a contradiction. Hence,  $\{B_n\} \cap \{C_n\} = \emptyset$  and the proof of Theorem 4.1 is complete.

**Remark**  $B_2$  is the exterior of the (-2, 3, 7) pretzel knot. In this case,  $e(B_2) = 7$  and the exceptional slopes and fillings can be found in [21, Table A.2]. In the second family,  $E(C_{-2}) = \{-3, -\frac{5}{2}, -2, -1, 0, \infty\}; C_{-2}(\alpha)$  is found in Table 2 for  $\alpha \in E(C_{-2}) \setminus \{-\frac{5}{2}\}$ , and  $C_{-2}(-\frac{5}{2}) = (D, (2, 1), (3, 1)) \cup \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} (D, (2, 1), (5, 4)).$ 

# 5 $(S^H, T^H, Z)$ triples

In this section, we enumerate all  $(S^H, T^H, Z)$  triples obtained by surgery on the 5CL and realizing the maximal distance. It shall turn out that all such triples are obtained by surgery on the 3CL.

- **Theorem 5.1** If  $\left(M_5\left(\frac{p}{q}, \frac{r}{s}, \frac{u}{v}, \frac{x}{y}\right), \alpha, \beta, \gamma\right)$  is an  $(S^H, T^H, Z)$  triple, then  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) \leq 2$ .
  - If  $\left(M_5\left(\frac{p}{q}, \frac{r}{s}, \frac{u}{v}, \frac{x}{y}\right), \alpha, \beta, \gamma\right)$  is an  $(S^H, T^H, Z)$  triple with  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) = 2$ , then it is equivalent to either  $B'_n := \left(N\left(-1 + \frac{1}{n}, -1 \frac{1}{n}\right), \infty, -3, -1\right)$  for some integer  $n \ge 2$ , or  $C'_n := \left(N\left(-1 + \frac{1}{n}, -1 \frac{1}{n-2}\right), \infty, -3, -1\right)$  for some integer  $n \ge 4$ .

**Remark** The knot exteriors in Theorem 5.1 are the same as the knot exteriors in Theorem 4.1. Therefore, we know that these examples are distinct and that the exceptional slopes and fillings are given in Table 2.

The proof shall proceed in three steps. In Section 5.1, we show that if  $(M_5(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in (S^H, T^H, Z)$  and  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) \ge 2$ , then  $\mathcal{F}$  factors through  $M_4$ . Then, in Section 5.2,

we show that if  $(M_4(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in (S^H, T^H, Z)$  and  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) \ge 2$ , then  $\mathcal{F}$  factors through  $M_3$ . Finally, in Section 5.3 we show that if  $(N(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in (S^H, T^H, Z)$  then  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) \le 2$  and all triples with  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) = 2$  are then enumerated.

### 5.1 $(S^H, T^H, Z)$ triples from 5CL

If  $(M_5(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in (S^H, T^H, Z)$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  does not factor through  $M_4$  then, from [24, Theorem 4], we have that either  $E(M_5(\mathcal{F})) = \{0, 1, \infty\}$ , or  $\mathcal{F}$  is equivalent to one of the surgery instructions in [24, Tables 14–20]. But clearly, if  $E(M_5(\mathcal{F})) = \{0, 1, \infty\}$  then all exceptional slopes are at distance 1. Any  $(S^H, T^H, Z)$  triple realizing  $\Delta(T^H, Z) \ge 2$  should hence be found in [24, Tables 14–20]. In these tables, the only simultaneous occurrence of  $S^H$ ,  $T^H$  and Z-slopes are in [24, Table 17], with  $\mathcal{F} = (-2, \frac{p}{q}, 3, \frac{u}{v})$ , and in [24, Table 18], with  $\mathcal{F} = (-2, \frac{p}{q}, \frac{r}{s}, -2)$ . In both cases, the exceptional slopes are  $0, \pm 1$  and  $\infty$ , so as a consequence  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) \le 2$ . Moreover, the only possibility for  $(Z, T^H)$ -slopes to realize  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) = 2$  is that  $\{\beta, \gamma\} = \{\pm 1\}$ ; the  $S^H$ -slope is then either 0 or  $\infty$ . We proceed now with a case-by-case analysis.

**Case**  $\mathcal{F} = \left(-2, \frac{p}{q}, 3, \frac{u}{v}\right)$  By applying  $\Psi_{(A-4)}^{-2} \circ \Psi_{(A-11)}$ , we may assume that 0 corresponds to the  $S^H$ -slope. It then follows from [24, Table 17] that either  $\frac{p}{q} = 1 + \frac{1}{n}$  and |(3+2n)u - (7+6n)v| = 1, or  $\frac{u}{v} = 3 + \frac{1}{k}$  and |(3+2k)p - (1+2k)q| = 1. Moreover, from -1 being a  $T^H$ - or Z-slope, we also know that either |p| = 1 or |u+v| = 1. These conditions shall be shown to be incompatible.

•  $\frac{p}{q} = 1 + \frac{1}{n}$  and |(3+2n)u - (7+6n)v| = 1 If |p| = 1 then, up to reversing signs of both p and q, we may assume that p = 1, so that  $-1 + \frac{1}{1-q} = n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , that is,  $q \in \{0, 2\}$ . But then  $\frac{p}{q} \in \{\frac{1}{2}, \infty\}$ , which is discarded by Lemma A.4.

If |u + v| = 1 then, up to reversing signs of both u and v, we may assume that u = 1 - v. Subbing this into |(3 + 2n)u - (7 + 6n)v| = 1 and solving for v in terms of n, we obtain that v is either  $\frac{2+n}{5+4n}$  or  $\frac{1+n}{5+4n}$ . But  $v \in \mathbb{Z}$ , so in the first case, n shall be -1 or -2, that is,  $\frac{u}{v} \in \{0, \infty\}$ ; and in the second case, n shall be -1, that is,  $\frac{u}{v} = \infty$ . All these cases are discarded by Lemma A.4.

•  $\frac{u}{v} = 3 + \frac{1}{k}$  and |(3+2k)p - (1+2k)q| = 1 If |u+v| = 1, then 1 = |u+v| = |(3k+1)+k|, meaning that k = 0 and that  $\frac{u}{v} = \infty$ , which is excluded by Lemma A.4.

If |p| = 1 then, up to reversing signs of both p and q, we may assume that p = 1 and subbing this into |(3+2k)p - (1+2k)q| = 1 we obtain that q is either  $1 + \frac{1}{1+2k}$  or  $1 + \frac{3}{1+2k}$ . But  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ , so  $q \in \{0, \pm 2, 4\}$ . If  $q \in \{0, 2\}$ , then  $\frac{p}{q} \in \{\frac{1}{2}, \infty\}$  and this

is discarded by Lemma A.4. If  $q \in \{-2, 4\}$ , then  $k \in \{-1, 0\}$  and  $\frac{u}{v} \in \{2, \infty\}$ , which is also discarded by Lemma A.4.

**Case**  $\mathcal{F} = (-2, \frac{p}{q}, \frac{r}{s}, -2)$  From [24, Table 18] we see that for -1 to be a type Z- or  $T^H$ -slope we need |q| = 1 or |s| = 1. By applying  $\Psi_{(A-4)}^{-1} \circ \Psi_{(A-5)}$ , we may assume that |q| = 1. But from the same table, we also see that for 1 to be a type Z- or  $T^H$ -slope, we need |p| = 1 or |r| = 1. Since |q| = 1, the case |p| = 1 is discarded by Lemma A.4. It hence follows that |r| = 1. But now, Table 18 of [24] also tells that the only possible  $S^H$ -slope is 0, and that it requires either  $\frac{p}{q} = 1 + \frac{1}{n}$  or  $\frac{r}{s} = 1 + \frac{1}{n}$ . But, since |q| = 1, the first condition implies that  $\frac{p}{q} \in \{0, 2\}$  and, since |r| = 1, the second condition implies that  $\frac{r}{s} = \frac{1}{2}$ ; all these are discarded by Lemma A.4.

### 5.2 $(S^H, T^H, Z)$ triples from 4CL

If  $(M_4(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in (S^H, T^H, Z)$  with  $\mathcal{F}$  not factoring through  $M_3$ , then, according to [24, Theorem 5], either  $E(M_4(\mathcal{F})) = \{0, 1, 2, \infty\}$  or  $\mathcal{F}$  is equivalent to a filling instruction listed in [24, Tables 21–22]. But in these tables,  $S^H$  – and  $T^H$  –slopes never occur simultaneously. It follows that  $E(M_4(\mathcal{F})) = \{0, 1, 2, \infty\}$ . In particular,  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) \leq 2$  and if  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) = 2$  then  $\{\beta, \gamma\} = \{0, 2\}$  and  $\alpha \in \{1, \infty\}$ . But one can observe that, on one hand,

$$M_4\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right) \cong M_5\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c-d}{d}, -1, \frac{e-f}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right) \qquad \text{(by Lemma A.5)}$$
$$\cong M_5\left(\frac{g}{g-h}, \frac{b-a}{b}, -1, \frac{d}{c-d}, \frac{2f-e}{f}\right) \qquad \text{(using } \Psi_{(A-8)})$$
$$\cong M_4\left(\frac{g}{g-h}, \frac{2b-a}{b}, \frac{c}{c-d}, \frac{2f-e}{f}\right) \qquad \text{(by Lemma A.5)}$$
$$\cong M_4\left(\frac{2b-a}{b}, \frac{c}{c-d}, \frac{2f-e}{f}, \frac{g}{g-h}\right) \qquad \text{(by Lemma A.7),}$$

and that, on the other hand,

$$M_4\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right) \cong M_5\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c-d}{d}, -1, \frac{e-f}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right) \qquad \text{(by Lemma A.5)}$$
$$\cong M_5\left(\frac{2d-c}{d}, \frac{f}{e-f}, -1, \frac{h-g}{h}, \frac{a}{a-b}\right) \qquad \text{(using } \Psi^2_{(A-4)} \circ \Psi_{(A-6)})$$
$$\cong M_4\left(\frac{2d-c}{d}, \frac{e}{e-f}, \frac{2h-g}{h}, \frac{a}{a-b}\right) \qquad \text{(by Lemma A.5)}$$
$$\cong M_4\left(\frac{a}{a-b}, \frac{2d-c}{d}, \frac{e}{e-f}, \frac{2h-g}{h}\right) \qquad \text{(by Lemma A.7)}.$$

It then follows directly that  $(M_4(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}), 1, 0, 2) \cong (M_4(\frac{2b-a}{b}, \frac{c}{c-d}, \frac{2f-e}{f}), \infty, 0, 2)$ and that  $(M_4(\frac{p}{q}, \frac{r}{s}, \frac{u}{v}), \infty, 0, 2) \cong (M_4(\frac{p}{p-q}, \frac{2s-r}{s}, \frac{u}{u-v}), \infty, 2, 0)$ . Up to these equivalences, we can hence assume that  $\infty$  is the  $S^H$ -slope, 0 is the  $T^H$ -slope and 2 is the Z-slope. We set the filling instruction on  $M_4$  to be  $\mathcal{F} = (\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f})$ .

Since  $M_4(\mathcal{F})(\infty) = S^3$ , we know by (A-18) and Lemma A.2, that one of |a|, |d| or |e| is 1.

Since  $M_4(\mathcal{F})(0)$  is  $T^H$ , we know by (A-19) and Lemma A.2, that one of b, f or c-2d is in  $\{0, \pm 1\}$ . But if one of them is 0, then one of  $\frac{a}{b}$ ,  $\frac{c}{d}$  or  $\frac{e}{f}$  is in  $\{2, \infty\}$  and  $M_4(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f})$  is nonhyperbolic by Lemma A.6. We conclude that one of |b|, |f| or |c-2d| is 1, that is, either  $\frac{a}{b} = n$ ,  $\frac{e}{f} = n$  or  $\frac{c}{d} = 2 + \frac{1}{k}$ . Using Lemma A.7, we may even assume that either  $\frac{a}{b} = n$  or  $\frac{c}{d} = 2 + \frac{1}{k}$ .

Since  $M_4(\mathcal{F})(2) \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we know by (A-21) and Lemma A.2, that one of a-b, c or e-f is in  $\{0,\pm 1\}$ . But if one of them is 0, then one of  $\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}$  is in  $\{0,1\}$  and  $M_4(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f})$  is nonhyperbolic by Lemma A.6. We conclude that one of |a-b|, |c| or |e-f| is 1, that is, either  $\frac{a}{b} = 1 + \frac{1}{p}$ ,  $\frac{e}{f} = 1 + \frac{1}{p}$  or  $\frac{c}{d} = \frac{1}{p}$ .

Collecting the necessary conditions for  $(\infty, 0, 2)$  to be an  $(S^H, T^H, Z)$  triple found above, we see that at least one condition from each column in Table 3 must be fulfilled.

$\infty \rightsquigarrow S^H$	$0 \rightsquigarrow T^H$	$2 \rightsquigarrow Z$
$a = \pm 1$ $d = \pm 1$ $e = \pm 1$	$\frac{\frac{a}{b}}{\frac{c}{d}} = n$ $\frac{c}{\frac{c}{d}} = 2 + \frac{1}{k}$	$\frac{\frac{a}{b} = 1 + \frac{1}{p}}{\frac{e}{f} = 1 + \frac{1}{p}}$ $\frac{\frac{c}{f}}{\frac{c}{f}} = \frac{1}{p}$
v ±1		d p

Table 3: Necessary conditions for  $(\infty, 0, 2)$  to be an  $(S^H, T^H, Z)$  triple. One from each column is required.

Case 
$$\frac{c}{d} = 2 + \frac{1}{k}$$
 Then  $\frac{c}{d} = \frac{2k+1}{k}$  and the identity (A-19) implies that  
 $M_4(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f})(0) \cong (D, (f, -e), (b, 2b - a)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (2, 1), (1, k))$  (by (A-19))  
 $\cong (S^2, (f, -e), (b, 2b - a), (2k + 1, -2))$  (by (A-1)).

But, since  $M_4(\mathcal{F})(0)$  is a lens space, and according to Lemma A.2, it follows that either b, f or 2k + 1 is  $\pm 1$ .

If  $2k + 1 = \pm 1$ , then  $k \in \{-1, 0\}$  and  $\frac{c}{d} = 2 + \frac{1}{k} \in \{1, \infty\}$ , which is ruled out by Lemma A.6.

If |b| or |f| is 1, then up to Lemma A.7, we may even assume that |b| = 1. But now we can claim that  $a, d \neq \pm 1$ , otherwise  $\frac{a}{b}$  would be  $\pm 1$ , or  $\frac{c}{d} = 2 + \frac{1}{k}$  would be 1 or 3, and those are discarded by Lemma A.6. Looking at the first column of Table 3, we hence conclude that  $e = \pm 1$ . Looking now at the third column of Table 3,

we see that either  $\frac{a}{b} = 1 + \frac{1}{p}$ , but then condition  $b = \pm 1$  implies that  $\frac{a}{b} \in \{0, 2\}$ ; or  $\frac{e}{f} = 1 + \frac{1}{p}$ , but then condition  $e = \pm 1$  implies that  $\frac{e}{f} = \frac{1}{2}$ ; or  $\frac{c}{d} = \frac{1}{p}$ , but then condition  $\frac{c}{d} = 2 + \frac{1}{k}$  implies that  $\frac{c}{d} = 1$ . All those are discarded by Lemma A.6.

Case  $\frac{a}{b} = n$  Then the identity (A-19) implies that

$$M_4\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}\right)(0) = (D, (f, -e), (1, 2-n)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (2, 1), (c-2d, d)) \quad (by \ (A-19))$$
$$= (S^2, (2, 1), (c-2d, d), (f(2-n)-e, -f)) \qquad (by \ (A-1)).$$

But, since  $M_4(\mathcal{F})(0)$  is a lens space, and according to Lemma A.2, it follows that either c - 2d or e + f(n-2) is  $\pm 1$ .

If |c-2d| = 1, then  $\frac{c}{d} = 2 + \frac{1}{k}$  and we are left in the previous case.

If  $e + f(n-2) = \pm 1$ , that is,  $\frac{e}{f} = 2 - n + \frac{1}{k}$ , then  $\frac{a}{b} \neq 1 + \frac{1}{p}$ , otherwise  $\frac{a}{b} = n$ would be 0 or 2, and this is discarded by Lemma A.6. But  $\frac{e}{f}$  is also distinct from  $1 + \frac{1}{p}$ . Indeed,  $1 + \frac{1}{p} = 2 - n + \frac{1}{k}$  would imply that  $(n, k) \in \{(1, p), (0, 2), (2, 2)\}$  and then either  $\frac{a}{b} = n = 1$  or  $\frac{e}{f} \in \{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\}$ ; both are discarded by Lemma A.6. Looking at the third column of Table 3, we hence conclude that  $\frac{c}{d} = \frac{1}{p}$ . Looking now at the first column of Table 3, we see that either  $a = \pm 1$ , but then the condition  $\frac{a}{b} = n$  implies that  $\frac{a}{b} = \pm 1$ ; or  $d = \pm 1$ , but then the condition  $\frac{c}{d} = \frac{1}{p}$  implies that  $\frac{e}{f} = \pm 1$ ; or  $e = \pm 1$ , but then the condition  $\frac{e}{f} = 2 - n + \frac{1}{k}$  implies that  $\frac{a}{b} = n \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . All those are discarded by Lemma A.6.

This ends the proof that if  $(M_5(\mathcal{F}), \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in (S^H, T^H, Z)$  and  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) \ge 2$ , then  $\mathcal{F}$  factors through  $M_3$ .

#### 5.3 $(S^H, T^H, Z)$ triples from 3CL

**Proposition 5.2** If  $\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right), \alpha, \beta, \gamma\right) \in (S^H, T^H, Z)$  then  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) \leq 2$ .

**Proof** If  $N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right)$  is hyperbolic then, by [21, Corollary A.6], either  $e\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right)\right) = 5$  or  $N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right)$  is found in [21, Tables A.2–A.9]. Moreover, if  $e\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right)\right) = 5$ , then it is a consequence of [21, Theorem 1.3] and Lemma A.10 that  $E\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right)\right) = \{\infty, -3, -2, -1, 0\}$ . Since we just want to dismiss pairs of exceptional slopes at distance greater than two, we only have to consider the case  $\{\beta, \gamma\} = \{0, -3\}$ .

**Case**  $\{\beta, \gamma\} = \{0, -3\}$  In this case, we can see in [21, Table 2] that if  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})$  is hyperbolic with  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})(-3) \in T^H$  then either  $\frac{r}{s} = -2$ , but this is dismissed by Lemma A.10, or  $\frac{r}{s} = -1 + \frac{1}{n}$  and  $\frac{t}{u} = -1 + \frac{1}{m}$ . But then  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})(0) \in Z$  and [21,

Table 2] tells us that one of  $\frac{r}{s} = -1 + \frac{1}{n}$  or  $\frac{t}{u} = -1 + \frac{1}{m}$  is an integer, so that one of  $\frac{r}{s}$  and  $\frac{t}{u}$  is in  $\{-2, 0\}$ , which is forbidden by Lemma A.10.

On the other hand, if  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})(-3) \in Z$ , then the same table tells us<sup>1</sup> that, up to Lemma A.8,  $\frac{r}{s} = -1 + \frac{1}{n}$ . But then  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})(0) \in T^H$  and [21, Table 2] tells us that  $\{\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\} = \{k, -4 - k + \frac{1}{m}\}$ . The case  $\frac{r}{s} = -1 + \frac{1}{n} = k$  would imply  $\frac{r}{s} \in \{-2, 0\}$  and is hence dismissed by Lemma A.10; so we can assume that  $\frac{r}{s} = -1 + \frac{1}{n} = -4 - k + \frac{1}{m}$  and  $\frac{t}{u} = k$ . As  $n = \pm 1$  would make  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})$  nonhyperbolic because of Lemma A.10, we have  $3 + k = \frac{1}{m} - \frac{1}{n} \in \{0, \pm 1\}$ , that is,  $k \in \{-4, -3, -2\}$ . But since  $\frac{t}{u} = k$ , the cases k = -3 and k = -2 are dismissed by Lemma A.10. If k = -4 then  $\frac{t}{u} = -4$  and  $\frac{r}{s} = -1 + \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{m}$ ; it follows that  $\frac{r}{s} = -\frac{1}{2}$ , but  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}) = N(-4, -\frac{1}{2})$  is nonhyperbolic; see [21, Table 1].

Case  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})$  is found in [21, Tables A.2–A.9] and  $\{\beta, \gamma\} \neq \{0, -3\}$  It is immediately clear that the only  $(S^H, T^H, Z)$  triple in Tables A.2–A.4 and Table A.9 is the triple obtained from the (-2, 3, 7) pretzel knot, and in this case  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) = 2$ .

If  $\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s},\frac{t}{u}\right),\alpha,\beta,\gamma\right) \in (S^H,T^H,Z)$  with  $\Delta(\beta,\gamma) > 2$  is found in [21, Table A.5], then  $E\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s},\frac{t}{u}\right)\right) = \{-3,-2,-1,0,1,\infty\}$ , so that  $1 \in \{\beta,\gamma\}$ . However, this table tells us that  $N\left(\frac{r}{s},\frac{t}{u}\right)(1)$  is never in  $T^H \cup Z$ .

If  $\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s},\frac{t}{u}\right),\alpha,\beta,\gamma\right) \in (S^H,T^H,Z)$  with  $\Delta(\beta,\gamma) > 2$  is found in [21, Table A.6], then  $E\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s},\frac{t}{u}\right)\right) = \{-3,-\frac{5}{2},-2,-1,0,\infty\}$  and  $-\frac{5}{2} \in \{\beta,\gamma\}$ . This table also tells us that  $N\left(\frac{r}{s},\frac{t}{u}\right)\left(-\frac{5}{2}\right) \notin T^H$  and that  $N\left(\frac{r}{s},\frac{t}{u}\right)\left(-\frac{5}{2}\right) \in Z$  only when  $\frac{r}{s} = -2 + \frac{1}{n}$ . Moreover, if  $\Delta(\beta,-\frac{5}{2}) > 2$  then  $\beta \in \{-1,0\}$ ; but 0 is not a  $T^H$ -slope and if -1 is, then  $\frac{r}{s} = -2 + \frac{1}{n} = -3 + \frac{1}{k}$ , that is,  $\frac{r}{s} = -\frac{5}{2}$ , which is actually excluded from this table.

If  $\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s},\frac{t}{u}\right),\alpha,\beta,\gamma\right) \in (S^H,T^H,Z)$  with  $\Delta(\beta,\gamma) > 2$  is found in [21, Table A.7], then  $E\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s},\frac{t}{u}\right)\right) = \{-3,-2,-\frac{3}{2},-1,0,\infty\}$  and  $-\frac{3}{2} \in \{\beta,\gamma\}$ . Moreover, this table tells us  $N\left(\frac{r}{s},\frac{t}{u}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) \notin T^H$ , so that  $\gamma = -\frac{3}{2}$ ; but if  $\Delta(\beta,-\frac{3}{2}) > 2$  then  $\beta \in \{-3,0\}$  and neither of them is a  $T^H$ -slope.

Finally, if  $\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right), \alpha, \beta, \gamma\right) \in (S^H, T^H, Z)$  with  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) > 2$  is found in [21, Table A.8], then  $E\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right)\right) = \{-4, -3, -2, -1, 0, \infty\}$  and  $-4 \in \{\beta, \gamma\}$ . This table also tells us that  $N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right)(-4) \notin T^H$  and that  $N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right)(-4) \in Z$  only when  $\frac{r}{s} \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Moreover, if  $\Delta(\beta, -4) > 2$  then  $\beta \in \{-1, 0\}$ ; but 0 is not a  $T^H$ -slope, and if -1 is,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>A word of caution: as one can read in the arXiv preprint of [21], the relation between the entries on the  $\frac{r}{s}$  column and the  $\frac{t}{u}$  column in [21, Table 2] is more intricate than what a reader might appreciate in the published version, and the conditions  $\frac{r}{s} = -1 + \frac{1}{n}$  and  $\frac{r}{s} \neq -2$  are actually shared by lines 4 and 5.

then  $\frac{r}{s} = -3 + \frac{1}{n}$  and, since  $\frac{r}{s} \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\frac{r}{s} \in \{-4, -2\}$ , which are actually excluded from this table.

**Proposition 5.3** If  $\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right), \alpha, \beta, \gamma\right) \in (S^H, T^H, Z)$  and  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) = 2$ , then it is equivalent to either  $B'_n := \left(N\left(-1 + \frac{1}{n}, -1 - \frac{1}{n}\right), \infty, -3, -1\right)$  with  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0, \pm 1\}$ , or to  $C'_n := \left(N\left(-1 + \frac{1}{n}, -1 - \frac{1}{n-2}\right), \infty, -3, -1\right)$  with  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0, \pm 1, 2, 3\}$ .

**Proof** By the same discussion as the one which begins the proof of Proposition 5.2, we know that either  $E(N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})) = \{-3, -2, -1, 0, \infty\}$  or  $\{-3, -2, -1, 0, \infty\} \subsetneq E(N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}))$  and, in the latter case,  $N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u})$  and  $E(N(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}))$  are found in [21, Tables A.2–A.9].

**Case**  $\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\} \not\subset \{0, -1, -2, -3, \infty\}$  In this case,  $N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right)$ ,  $E\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right)\right)$  are found in [21, Tables A.2–A.9]. It is immediately clear that the only  $\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right), \alpha, \beta, \gamma\right) \in (S^H, T^H, Z)$  in [21, Tables A.2–A.4 and A.9] is the (-2, 3, 7) pretzel knot exterior

(\*) 
$$(N(-4, -\frac{1}{3}), \infty, 0, -2).$$

If  $\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right), \alpha, \beta, \gamma\right) \in (S^H, T^H, Z)$  is found in [21, Table A.5] then the exceptional set  $E\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right)\right)$  is  $\{-3, -2, -1, -0, 1, \infty\}$ , so that  $1 \in \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$ ; but in this table  $N\left(1, \frac{r}{s}\right)(1) \notin T^H \cup S^H \cup Z$ .

If  $\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right), \alpha, \beta, \gamma\right) \in (S^H, T^H, Z)$  is found in [21, Table A.6] then the exceptional set  $E\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right)\right)$  is  $\left\{-3, -\frac{5}{2}, -2, -1, -0, \infty\right\}$ , so that  $-\frac{5}{2} \in \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$ . Moreover, this table tells us that  $N\left(\frac{r}{s}, -\frac{3}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{5}{2}\right)$  is in  $S^H \cup T^H \cup Z$  only if  $\frac{r}{s} = -2 + \frac{1}{n}$ , in which case  $N\left(-2 + \frac{1}{n}, -\frac{3}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{5}{2}\right) \in Z$ . But we have  $\Delta\left(\beta, -\frac{5}{2}\right) = 2$  for  $\beta \in E\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right)\right)$  only when  $\beta = \infty$ . We can also see from Table A.6 that the only possible  $S^H$ -slopes on hyperbolic  $N\left(\frac{r}{s}, -\frac{3}{2}\right)$  are  $\infty$ , which is already the  $T^H$ -slope in our case; -3, but then  $\frac{r}{s} = -2$  and this is discarded by Lemma A.10; -2; and -1, but then  $\frac{r}{s} = \infty$  and this is discarded by Lemma A.10. We are hence left with  $\alpha = -2$  and |4r + 11s| = 1. But  $\frac{r}{s} = \frac{1-2n}{n}$ , so |4r + 11s| = 1 if and only if n = -1. It would follow that  $\frac{r}{s} = -3$  and this is excluded by Lemma A.10.

If  $\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right), \alpha, \beta, \gamma\right) \in (S^H, T^H, Z)$  is found in [21, Table A.7], then the exceptional set  $E\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right)\right)$  is  $\{-3, -2, -\frac{3}{2}, -1, 0, \infty\}$ , so that  $-\frac{3}{2} \in \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$ . This table also tells us that  $N\left(\frac{r}{s}, -\frac{5}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)$  is in  $S^H \cup T^H \cup Z$  only if  $\frac{r}{s} = -2 + \frac{1}{n}$ , in which case  $N\left(-2 + \frac{1}{n}, -\frac{5}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) \in Z$ . Moreover, the only possible  $S^H$ -slopes found in this table are  $\infty, -2$  and -1. More precisely, one can read that:

- $N\left(-2+\frac{1}{n},-\frac{3}{2}\right)(\infty) = L(5-8n,\star)$ , which is  $S^H$  if and only if |5-8n| = 1, but this has no integer solution.
- $N\left(-2+\frac{1}{n},-\frac{3}{2}\right)(-2) = L(8-3n,\star)$ , which is  $S^H$  if and only if |8-3n| = 1, that is when n = 3, but then  $\frac{r}{s} = -\frac{5}{3}$  and we get the (-2, 3, 7) pretzel knot, which is excluded from [21, Table A.7].
- $N\left(-2+\frac{1}{n},-\frac{3}{2}\right)(-1) = L(3+5n,\star)$ , which is  $S^H$  if and only if |3+5n| = 1, but this has no integer solution.

If  $\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right), \alpha, \beta, \gamma\right) \in (S^H, T^H, Z)$  is found in [21, Table A.8], then the exceptional set  $E\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right)\right)$  is  $\{-4, -3, -2, -1, 0, \infty\}$ , so that  $-4 \in \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$ . This table also tells us that  $N\left(\frac{r}{s}, -\frac{1}{2}\right)(-4)$  is in  $S^H \cup T^H \cup Z$  only if  $\frac{r}{s} = n$ , in which case  $N\left(n, -\frac{1}{2}\right)(-4) \in Z$ . Moreover, the only possible  $S^H$ -slope are  $\infty, -3, -2$  and -1, but in the last three cases  $\frac{r}{s} = \infty$  and this is discarded by Lemma A.10. Finally,  $N\left(n, -\frac{1}{2}\right)(\infty) = L(n+2, \star)$  is  $S^H$  if and only if n = -3, which makes  $N\left(n, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$  nonhyperbolic by Lemma A.10.

Case  $\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\} \subset \{0, -1, -2, -3, \infty\}$  All examples can be constructed from [21, Table 2]. However, as noted in the footnote on page 2406, we warn the reader that [21, Table 2], as given in the published version, misses some separating lines. We recommend hence to look at the arXiv version.

We first show that we may assume that  $\infty$  corresponds to the  $S^H$ -slope. Indeed, we know by [8] that the distance between the  $S^H$ - and the  $T^H$ -slope is 1, and we are looking for an  $(S^H, T^H, Z)$  triple realizing  $\Delta(T^H, Z) = 2$ . So, if  $\infty$  is not an  $S^H$ -slope, then the triple  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  belongs to

$$\{(-3, -2, 0), (-2, -3, -1), (-2, -1, -3), (-1, -2, 0), (-1, 0, -2), (0, -1, -3)\}.$$

•  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (-3, -2, 0)$  Then, for -3 to be an  $S^H$ -slope, we need that either  $\frac{r}{s} = -2$ , but this is discarded by Lemma A.10; or  $\frac{r}{s} = -1 + \frac{1}{n}$  and  $\frac{t}{u} = -1 + \frac{1}{m}$ . But since 0 is a Z-slope, one of  $\frac{r}{s}$  or  $\frac{t}{u}$  has to be in  $\mathbb{Z}$  and hence equal to -2 or 0. This is again forbidden by Lemma A.10.

•  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (-2, -3, -1)$  and  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (-2, -1, -3)$  Using Lemma A.8 and [21, Proposition 1.5, identity (1.3)], we obtain that any such example is going to be equivalent to  $(N(-\frac{3}{2}, \frac{2t+5u}{t+2u}), \infty, -\frac{2\beta+5}{\beta+2}, -\frac{2\gamma+5}{\gamma+2})$ , where  $\infty$  is the  $S^H$ -slope. It identifies the triple  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (-2, -3, -1)$  with  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (\infty, -1, -3)$  and the triple  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (-2, -1, -3)$  with  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (\infty, -3, -1)$ , which are considered later.

(\*) 
$$(N(-4, -\frac{5}{2}), -1, -2, 0)$$

is an  $(S^H, T^H, Z)$  triple.

If  $\frac{t}{u} = -3 + \frac{1}{k}$ , then for 0 to be a Z-slope,  $\frac{r}{s} = -2 + \frac{1}{n}$  or  $\frac{t}{u} = -3 + \frac{1}{k}$  must be an integer. But the values -3, -2 and -1 are all discarded by Lemma A.10, so the only remaining case is  $\frac{t}{u} = -4$ . In this case, the space  $N(-4, -2 + \frac{1}{n})(-1) = L(-3 - n, \star)$  is  $S^3$  if and only if  $n \in \{-2, -4\}$ ; and indeed  $(N(-\frac{5}{2}, -4), -1, -2, 0)$  (already listed) and

(\*) 
$$\left(N\left(-4, -\frac{9}{4}\right), -1, -2, 0\right)$$

are  $(S^H, T^H, Z)$  triples.

•  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (-1, 0, -2)$  Then, for -1 to be an  $S^H$ -slope, we need that  $\frac{r}{s} = -3 + \frac{1}{n}$ . Moreover, for 0 to be a  $T^H$ -slope, we need that  $\{\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\} = \{k, -4 - k + \frac{1}{m}\}$ . If  $\frac{r}{s} = k = -3 + \frac{1}{n}$ , then either  $\frac{r}{s} = -2$ , but this is discarded by Lemma A.10; or  $\frac{r}{s} = -4$  and then  $\frac{t}{u} = \frac{1}{m}$ . In this case,  $N(-4, \frac{1}{m})(-1) = L(-3 - 7m, \star) \neq S^3$ . If  $\frac{r}{s} = -4 - k + \frac{1}{m} = -3 + \frac{1}{n}$  then  $k = -1 + \frac{1}{m} - \frac{1}{n}$ , so that  $\frac{t}{u} = k \in \{-3, -2, -1, 0, 1\}$ . But the values -3, -2, -1 and 0 are all discarded by Lemma A.10, so the only remaining case is  $\frac{t}{u} = 1$ , implying that n = -1, so that  $\frac{r}{s} = -4$ . In this case,  $N(-4, 1)(-1) = L(-10, \star) \neq S^3$ .

•  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (0, -1, -3)$  Then, for 0 to be an  $S^H$ -slope, from Section 3.3.1 we need that  $\{\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\} = \{n, -4 - n + \frac{1}{m}\}$  and moreover that m = 0. It follows that either  $\frac{r}{s}$  or  $\frac{t}{u}$  is  $\infty$ , which is discarded by Lemma A.10.

We can now assume that  $\infty$  is the  $S^H$ -slope, that is,  $\alpha = \infty$  and

$$|rt - su| = 1.$$

Moreover,  $\{\beta, \gamma\} \subset \{-3, -2, -1, 0\}$ , so for  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) = 2$  to hold, the only possibilities are  $(\beta, \gamma) \in \{(-3, -1), (-1, 3), (-2, 0), (0, -2)\}$ .

•  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (\infty, -3, -1)$  Then, for -3 to be a  $T^H$ -slope, we need that either  $\frac{r}{s} = -2$ , but this is discarded by Lemma A.10; or  $\frac{r}{s} = -1 + \frac{1}{n}$  and  $\frac{t}{u} = -1 + \frac{1}{m}$ .

Condition (5) then becomes  $(1-n)(1-m) - nm = \pm 1$ , that is,  $m = 1 \pm 1 - n$ . This leads to

(\*) 
$$\left(N\left(-1+\frac{1}{n},-1-\frac{1}{n}\right),\infty,-3,-1\right)$$
 and  $\left(N\left(-1+\frac{1}{n},-1-\frac{1}{n-2}\right),\infty,-3,-1\right)$ ,

which are indeed families of  $(S^H, T^H, Z)$  triples.

•  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (\infty, -1, -3)$  Then, for -1 to be a  $T^H$ -slope, we need that  $\frac{r}{s} = -3 + \frac{1}{n}$ . Moreover, for -3 to be a Z-slope, we need that either  $\frac{r}{s}$  or  $\frac{t}{u}$  is of the form  $-1 + \frac{1}{k}$  and this cannot be  $\frac{r}{s}$ , otherwise we would have  $\frac{r}{s} = -2$ , which is discarded by Lemma A.10. We then have  $(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}) = (-3 + \frac{1}{n}, -1 + \frac{1}{m})$  and condition (5) becomes  $(1 - 3n)(1 - m) - nm = \pm 1$ , that is,  $m = \frac{3n}{2n-1}$  or  $\frac{3n-2}{2n-1}$ . This implies that  $n \in \{-1, 0, 1, 2\}$  in the former case and that  $n \in \{0, 1\}$  in the latter. The cases  $n \in \{0, 1\}$  make  $\frac{r}{s} \in \{-2, \infty\}$  and are excluded by Lemma A.10. If n = -1 then m = 1 and  $\frac{t}{u} = 0$ , which is also excluded by Lemma A.10. If n = 2 then m = 2,  $\frac{r}{s} = -\frac{5}{2}$  and  $\frac{t}{u} = -\frac{1}{2}$ ; and indeed

(\*) 
$$\left(N\left(-\frac{5}{2},-\frac{1}{2}\right),\infty,-1,-3\right)$$

is an  $(S^H, T^H, Z)$  triple.

•  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (\infty, -2, 0)$  Then, for -2 to be a  $T^H$ -slope, we need that  $\frac{r}{s} = -2 + \frac{1}{n}$ . Moreover, for 0 to be a Z-slope, we need that either  $\frac{r}{s}$  or  $\frac{t}{u}$  is an integer k and this cannot be  $\frac{r}{s}$ , otherwise we would have  $\frac{r}{s} \in \{-3, -1\}$ , which is discarded by Lemma A.10. We then have  $(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}) = (-2 + \frac{1}{n}, k)$  and condition (5) becomes  $k(1-2n) - n = \pm 1$ , that is,  $k = \frac{n+1}{1-2n}$  or  $\frac{n-1}{1-2n}$ . This implies that  $(n,k) \in \{(-1,0), (0,-1), (0,1), (1,-2), (1,0), (2,-1)\}$ , and in all cases we have either  $n \in \{-1,0,1\}$  or k = -1, that is, either  $\frac{r}{s} \in \{-3, -1, \infty\}$  or  $\frac{t}{u} = -1$ . All are discarded by Lemma A.10.

•  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (\infty, 0, -2)$  Then, for 0 to be a  $T^H$ -slope, we need that  $\frac{r}{s} = n$  and  $\frac{t}{u} = -4 - n + \frac{1}{m}$ . Condition (5) becomes  $n(1 - 4m - nm) = m \pm 1$ , whose solutions are given in Lemma A.16. First, we can exclude all solutions with  $\frac{r}{s} = n \in \{-3, -2, -1, 0\}$ , which are discarded by Lemma A.10. We also exclude (n, k) = (-5, -1) and (n, k) = (1, 0)a, which give  $\frac{t}{u} \in \{0, \infty\}$ , also discarded by Lemma A.10. We are then left with  $(N(-4, -\frac{1}{3}), \infty, 0, -2)$  (already listed) and

(\*) 
$$(N(-4, -\frac{1}{5}), \infty, 0, -2),$$

which are indeed  $(S^H, T^H, Z)$  triples.

In the above analysis, we have proved that any  $\left(N\left(\frac{r}{s}, \frac{t}{u}\right), \alpha, \beta, \gamma\right)$  which is an  $(S^H, T^H, Z)$  triple with  $\Delta(\beta, \gamma) = 2$  is equivalent to one of

- (i)  $B'_n := \left( N\left(-1 + \frac{1}{n}, -1 \frac{1}{n}\right), \infty, -3, -1 \right) \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0, \pm 1\};$
- (ii)  $C'_n := \left( N\left(-1 + \frac{1}{n}, -1 \frac{1}{n-2}\right), \infty, -3, -1 \right) \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0, \pm 1, 2, 3\};$
- (iii)  $\left(N\left(-4, -\frac{1}{3}\right), \infty, 0, -2\right);$
- (iv)  $\left(N\left(-4, -\frac{1}{5}\right), \infty, 0, -2\right);$
- (v)  $\left(N\left(-4, -\frac{5}{2}\right), -1, -2, 0\right);$
- (vi)  $\left(N\left(-4, -\frac{9}{4}\right), -1, -2, 0\right);$
- (vii)  $\left(N\left(-\frac{5}{2},-\frac{1}{2}\right),\infty,-1,-3\right)$ .

But now, using [21, Proposition 1.5, identity (1.1)], we obtain that cases (iii), (iv), (v) and (vi) are respectively equivalent to  $B'_{-2}$ ,  $C'_{-2}$ ,  $\left(N\left(-\frac{3}{2},-\frac{8}{3}\right),-2,-1,-3\right)$  and  $\left(N\left(-\frac{3}{2},-\frac{14}{5}\right),-2,-1,-3\right)$ ; and that, using [21, Proposition 1.5, identity (1.3)], that the latter two are equivalent to, respectively,  $B'_2$  and  $C'_2$ . Finally, using Lemma A.8 and [21, Proposition 1.5, identity (1.4)], we obtain that case (vii) is equivalent to  $B'_2$ . Moreover,  $B'_{-n} \cong B'_n$  and  $C'_{-n} \cong C_{n+2}$  for every  $n \ge 2$  because of Lemma A.8, and we already observed in Section 4.4 that the two families are distinct. This completes the proof.

## **Appendix:** Facts used liberally throughout this article

The classification in this article comes from a careful consideration of the tables found in [21; 24]. Often, cases considered in the enumeration are identified and/or discounted using technical results, most of which are found in [21; 24]. To keep this article as self-contained as possible we list the technical lemmas that are used in this article.

#### A.1 Identities between graph manifolds

The following lemma consists of a list of identities between graph manifolds which are found in both [24] and [21]. Details can be found in [11].

Lemma A.1 The following identities on graph manifolds hold:

(A-1) 
$$(D, (1, b), (c, d)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (e, f), (g, h))$$
  
=  $(D, (e, f), (g, h)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (1, b), (c, d))$   
=  $(S^2, (e, f), (g, h), (d + bc, -c)),$ 

(A-2) 
$$(S^2, (a, b), (c, d), (0, 1)) = L(a, b) \# L(c, d),$$

(A-3)  $(S^2, (a, b), (c, d), (1, e)) = L(a(d + ce) + bc, \star).$ 

The following obvious lemma is used throughout the article.

**Lemma A.2** • If  $(D, (a, b), (c, d)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (e, f), (g, h))$  is a Seifert space, a lens space or  $S^3$ , then one of |a|, |c|, |e| or |g| is less than or equal to 1.

• If  $(S^2, (a, b), (c, d), (e, f))$  is a lens space or  $S^3$ , then one of |a|, |c| or |e| is equal to 1.

## A.2 Concerning surgery instruction on 5CL

**Lemma A.3** [24, Lemma 2.2] The action of  $Aut(M_5)$  on surgery instructions on 5CL is generated by the maps

$$\begin{array}{ll} (A-4) & \Psi_{(A-4)}: (\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \alpha_{3}, \alpha_{4}, \alpha_{5}) \mapsto (\alpha_{5}, \alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \alpha_{3}, \alpha_{4}), \\ (A-5) & \Psi_{(A-5)}: (\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \alpha_{3}, \alpha_{4}, \alpha_{5}) \mapsto (\alpha_{5}, \alpha_{4}, \alpha_{3}, \alpha_{2}, \alpha_{1}), \\ (A-6) & \Psi_{(A-6)}: \left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}, \frac{i}{j}\right) \mapsto \left(\frac{f}{e}, \frac{j-i}{j}, \frac{a}{a-b}, \frac{d-c}{d}, \frac{h}{g}\right), \\ (A-7) & \Psi_{(A-7)}: \left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}, \frac{i}{j}\right) \mapsto \left(\frac{b}{b-a}, \frac{i-j}{i}, \frac{e-f}{e}, \frac{d}{d-c}, \frac{g}{h}\right), \\ (A-8) & \Psi_{(A-8)}: \left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}, \frac{i}{j}\right) \mapsto \left(\frac{i}{j-i}, \frac{b-a}{b}, \frac{f}{e}, \frac{d}{c}, \frac{h-g}{h}\right), \\ (A-9) & \Psi_{(A-9)}: \left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}, \frac{i}{j}\right) \mapsto \left(\frac{j}{j-i}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{b}{b-a}, \frac{c-d}{c}, \frac{g-h}{g}\right), \\ (A-10) & \Psi_{(A-10)}: \left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}, \frac{i}{j}\right) \mapsto \left(\frac{a}{a-b}, \frac{e}{e-f}, \frac{i}{i-j}, \frac{c}{c-d}, \frac{g}{g-h}\right), \\ (A-11) & \Psi_{(A-10)}: \left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}, \frac{i}{j}\right) \mapsto \left(\frac{h}{h-g}, \frac{a}{b}, \frac{f}{f-e}, \frac{c-d}{c}, \frac{i-j}{b}\right), \\ (A-12) & \Psi_{(A-12)}: \left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}, \frac{i}{j}\right) \mapsto \left(\frac{g}{g-h}, \frac{f}{f-e}, \frac{d}{c}, \frac{d-i}{j}\right), \\ (A-13) & \Psi_{(A-13)}: \left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}, \frac{i}{j}\right) \mapsto \left(\frac{g-h}{g}, \frac{f}{f-e}, \frac{i}{j}, \frac{d}{d-c}, \frac{a-b}{a}\right), \\ (A-14) & \Psi_{(A-14)}: \left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}, \frac{i}{j}\right) \mapsto \left(\frac{g-h}{g}, \frac{f}{f-e}, \frac{i}{j}, \frac{d}{d-c}, \frac{a-b}{a}\right), \\ (A-16) & \Psi_{(A-16)}: \left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}, \frac{i}{j}\right) \mapsto \left(\frac{a-b}{a}, \frac{e-f}{e}, \frac{h}{h-g}, \frac{i}{d}, \frac{j-i}{j}\right). \\ \end{array}$$

Moreover, the maps of (A-6)–(A-16) correspond to the action of a distinct element of  $\operatorname{Aut}(M_5)/G$ , where G is the subgroup generated by the elements  $\Psi_{(A-4)}$  and  $\Psi_{(A-5)}$  corresponding to the generators of the link symmetry group of 5CL.

Lemma A.4 [24, Theorem 4 and equation (70)] The following statements hold:

- If (<sup>a</sup>/<sub>b</sub>, <sup>c</sup>/<sub>d</sub>, <sup>e</sup>/<sub>f</sub>, <sup>g</sup>/<sub>h</sub>) is an instruction on 5CL and one of the slopes is in {0, 1, ∞}, then M<sub>5</sub>(<sup>a</sup>/<sub>b</sub>, <sup>c</sup>/<sub>d</sub>, <sup>e</sup>/<sub>f</sub>, <sup>g</sup>/<sub>h</sub>) is nonhyperbolic.
- If  $\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right)$  is an instruction on 5CL and one of the slopes is in  $\{-1, \frac{1}{2}, 2\}$ , then  $\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right)$  factors through  $M_4$ .

As highlighted in [22]:

Lemma A.5 The following identity holds:

(A-17) 
$$M_5\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, -1, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right) = M_4\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c+d}{d}, \frac{e+f}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right).$$

### A.3 Concerning surgery instructions on 4CL

From [24] we have the following identities:

(A-18)  $M_4\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}\right)(\infty) = (S^2, (a, b), (d, -c), (e, f)),$ 

(A-19) 
$$M_4\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}\right)(0) = (D, (f, -e), (b, 2b-a)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (2, 1), (c-2d, d)),$$

(A-20) 
$$M_4\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}\right)(1) = (S^2, (a-2b, b), (c-d, c), (e-2f, f)),$$

(A-21) 
$$M_4\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}\right)(2) = (D, (a-b,b), (e-f, f)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (c, d), (2, -1)).$$

Lemma A.6 [24, Theorem 5 and equation (69)] The following statements hold:

- If (<sup>a</sup>/<sub>b</sub>, <sup>c</sup>/<sub>d</sub>, <sup>e</sup>/<sub>f</sub>) is an instruction on 4CL and one of the slopes is in {0, 1, 2, ∞}, then M<sub>4</sub>(<sup>a</sup>/<sub>b</sub>, <sup>c</sup>/<sub>d</sub>, <sup>e</sup>/<sub>f</sub>) is nonhyperbolic.
- If  $\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}\right)$  is an instruction on 4CL and one of the slopes is in  $\left\{-1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, 3\right\}$ , then  $\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}\right)$  factors through  $M_3$ . In particular,

$$M_4\left(\frac{a}{b},-1,\frac{c}{d}\right) = M_3\left(\frac{a}{b}+1,\frac{c}{d}+1\right).$$

**Lemma A.7** For a filling instruction  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4)$  on  $M_4$ ,  $M_4(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4)$  is equivalent to  $M_4(\alpha_{\sigma(1)}, \alpha_{\sigma(2)}, \alpha_{\sigma(3)}, \alpha_{\sigma(4)})$  for every  $\sigma \in D_4$ .

#### A.4 Concerning surgery instructions on 3CL

**Lemma A.8** If  $\sigma \in S_3$  and  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3)$  is a filling instruction on N, then

$$N(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3) = N(\alpha_{\sigma(1)}, \alpha_{\sigma(2)}, \alpha_{\sigma(3)}).$$

**Lemma A.9** For all filling instructions,  $M_3\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}\right) = N\left(-\frac{a}{b}, -\frac{c}{d}, -\frac{e}{f}\right)$ .

**Lemma A.10** [21, Theorem 1.2] If  $\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}\right)$  is an instruction on N and one of the slopes is  $\{0, -1, -2, -3, \infty\}$ , then  $N\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}\right)$  is nonhyperbolic.

### A.5 Concerning surgery instructions on E4CL

Proposition 2.1 of [24] gives us a complete enumeration of the Dehn fillings on F, the exterior of the minimally twisted 4–chain link. We have:

**Lemma A.11** For slopes  $\frac{a}{b}$ ,  $\frac{c}{d}$ ,  $\frac{e}{f}$ ,  $\frac{g}{h}$  on E4CL, the following identity holds:

(A-22) 
$$F\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{g}{h}\right) = (D, (a, b), (c, d)) \cup_{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} (D, (e, f), (g, h)).$$

**Lemma A.12** For a filling instruction  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4)$  on F,  $F(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4)$  is equivalent to  $F(\alpha_{\sigma(1)}, \alpha_{\sigma(2)}, \alpha_{\sigma(3)}, \alpha_{\sigma(4)})$  for every  $\sigma \in D_4$ .

In fact, "most" exceptional fillings of  $M_5$  are obtained by filling F (see [24, Proposition 3.1]).

Lemma A.13 The following identities hold:

(A-23) 
$$M_5\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right)(\infty) = F\left(-\frac{a}{b}, \frac{f}{e}, \frac{d}{c}, -\frac{g}{h}\right),$$

(A-24) 
$$M_5\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right)(1) = F\left(\frac{a-b}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g-h}{h}\right),$$

(A-25) 
$$M_5\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right)(0) = F\left(\frac{b}{b-a}, \frac{c-d}{c}, -\frac{h}{g}, \frac{e-f}{f}\right).$$

Consequently:

Lemma A.14 The following identities hold:

(A-26)	$F\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right) = h$	$M_5\left(-\frac{a}{b},\frac{f}{e},\frac{d}{c},-\frac{g}{h}\right)(\infty),$
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(A-27) 
$$F\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right) = M_5\left(\frac{a+b}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g+h}{h}\right)(1),$$

(A-28) 
$$F\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d}, \frac{e}{f}, \frac{g}{h}\right) = M_5\left(\frac{a-b}{a}, \frac{d}{d-c}, -\frac{h}{g}, \frac{f+e}{f}\right)(0).$$

## A.6 Some elementary diophantine equations

**Lemma A.15** For  $(n, s) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ , we have

$$s - n = ns \implies (n, s) \in \{(0, 0), (2, -2)\};$$
  
$$2s - n = ns \implies (n, s) \in \{(0, 0), (1, 1), (3, -3), (4, -2)\};$$

4s - n = ns	$\Rightarrow$	$(n,s) \in \{(0,0), (3,3), (5,-5), (8,-2), (6,-3), (2,1)\};$
s-n=3ns	$\Rightarrow$	$(n,s) \in \{(0,0)\};$
2s - n = 3ns	$\Rightarrow$	$(n,s) \in \{(0,0), (1,-1)\};$
4s - n = 3ns	$\Rightarrow$	$(n,s) \in \{(0,0), (1,1), (2,-1)\};$
8s - n = 3ns	$\Rightarrow$	$(n,s) \in \{(0,0), (3,-3), (2,1), (4,-1)\};$
5s - n = 3ns	$\Rightarrow$	$(n,s) \in \{(0,0), (2,-2)\};$
s-n = -5ns	$\Rightarrow$	$(n,s) \in \{(0,0)\};$
2s - n = -5ns	$\Rightarrow$	$(n,s) \in \{(0,0)\};$
4s - n = -5ns	$\Rightarrow$	$(n,s) \in \{(0,0), (-1,1)\};$
8s - n = -5ns	$\Rightarrow$	$(n,s) \in \{(0,0), (-2,1)\};$
3s - n = -5ns	$\Rightarrow$	$(n,s) \in \{(0,0)\}.$

**Proof** Here, we consider equations of the form  $\alpha s - n = \beta ns$  for some  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}$ . They are solved by induction on the number of prime factors of  $\alpha$ .

Indeed, we first note that  $s \mid n$  and  $n \mid \alpha s$ .

- If  $n \mid s$ , then  $s = \pm n$  and n satisfies either  $(\alpha 1)n = \beta n^2$  or  $(\alpha + 1)n = \beta n^2$ . It follows that (n, s) = (0, 0), or  $\left(\frac{\alpha - 1}{\beta}, \frac{\alpha - 1}{\beta}\right)$  if  $\frac{\alpha - 1}{\beta} \in \mathbb{Z}$ , or  $\left(\frac{\alpha + 1}{\beta}, -\frac{\alpha + 1}{\beta}\right)$  if  $\frac{\alpha + 1}{\beta} \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- If n ∤ s then n = kn' with k some prime divisor of α, but then α/k n' s = βn's and, by induction, we know all such (n'<sub>0</sub>, s<sub>0</sub>) and each of them leads to a solution (kn'<sub>0</sub>, s<sub>0</sub>).

**Lemma A.16** If m and n are integers with  $(1-m(n+4))n = m \pm 1$ , then (n, m) is in

$$\{ (-5, -1), (-4, -3), (-4, -5), (-3, 1), (-3, 2), (-2, 1), (-1, 0), (-1, 1) \\ (0, -1), (0, 1), (1, 0) \}.$$

**Proof** Then  $m(1 + n(n + 4)) = n \pm 1$ . So either m = 0 or  $(1 + n(n + 4))|n \pm 1$ . Case m = 0 Then  $n = \pm 1$ .

Case m(1 + n(n + 4)) | n + 1 Then  $1 + n(n + 4) \le |n + 1|$ .

•  $n + 1 \ge 0$  Then  $n(n + 3) \le 0$ , so  $n \in \{-3, -2, -1, 0\}$ . Only -1 and 0 satisfy  $n + 1 \ge 0$ , leading to solutions  $(n, m) \in \{(-1, 0), (0, 1)\}$ .

•  $n+1 \le 0$  Then  $n^2 + 5n + 2 \le 0$ , so  $n \in \left[\frac{1}{2}(-5 - \sqrt{17}), \frac{1}{2}(-5 + \sqrt{17})\right] \cap \mathbb{Z} = \{-4, -3, -2, -1\}$ . If n = -2, then  $m = \frac{1}{3} \notin \mathbb{Z}$ . Other cases lead to solutions  $(n, m) \in \{(-4, -3), (-3, 1), (-1, 0)\}$ .

Case m(1 + n(n + 4)) | n - 1 Then  $1 + n(n + 4) \le |n - 1|$ .

•  $n-1 \ge 0$  Then  $(n+1)(n+2) \le 0$ , so  $n \in \{-2, -1\}$  and doesn't satisfy  $n-1 \ge 0$ .

•  $n-1 \le 0$  Then  $n(n+5) \le 0$ , so  $n \in \{-5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0\}$ , leading to solutions  $(n, m) \in \{(-5, -1), (-4, -5), (-3, 2), (-2, 1), (-1, 1), (0, -1)\}$ .

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