

Results of my research

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A knot is the image of an embedding of circle in the 3-sphere S^3 , denoted by K . A link is the image of an embedding of circles $S^1 \cup S^1 \cup \dots \cup S^1$ in the 3-sphere S^3 . Let $L = K_1 \cup K_2 \cup \dots \cup K_n$ be an n -component link in S^3 , and $N(L)$ a tubular neighborhood of L , and $E(L)$ the exterior of L . Let $\chi(L, 0)$ be the 3-manifold obtained from $E(L)$ by attaching n solid tori V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n to $\partial E(L)$ such that the meridian of ∂V_i is mapped to the longitude of K_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$). We call $\chi(L, 0)$ the 3-manifold obtained by the 0-surgery of S^3 along L . It is well known that every closed connected orientable 3-manifold is obtained by the 0-surgery of S^3 along a link.

Let $\text{bridge}(L)$ (resp. $\text{braid}(L)$) be the bridge index (resp. the braid index) (cf. [5]). The *bridge genus* $g_{\text{bridge}}(M)$ (resp. the *braid genus* $g_{\text{braid}}(M)$) of M is the minimal number of $\text{bridge}(L)$ (resp. $\text{braid}(L)$) for any L such that M is obtained by the 0-surgery of S^3 along L . The bridge genus and the braid genus are introduced by A.Kawauchi [6].

The following is the table of the bridge genus and the braid genus of a lens space $L(p, q)$ up to $p \leq 10$.

$L(p, q)$	g_{bridge}	g_{braid}
$L(2, 1)$	3	3
$L(3, 1) = L(3, 2)$	4	4
$L(4, 1) = L(4, 3)$	3	3
$L(5, 1) = L(5, 4)$	6	6
$L(5, 2) = L(5, 3)$	4	4
$L(6, 1) = L(6, 5)$	3	3
$L(7, 1) = L(7, 6)$	8	8
$L(7, 2) = L(7, 3) = L(7, 4) = L(7, 5)$	4	4
$L(8, 1) = L(8, 7)$	3	3
$L(8, 3) = L(8, 5)$	5	5
$L(9, 1) = L(9, 8)$	10	10
$L(9, 2) = L(9, 4) = L(9, 5) = L(9, 7)$	4	4
$L(10, 1) = L(10, 9)$	3	3
$L(10, 3) = L(10, 7)$	5	5