

# Solid Strips

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## Abstract

In this paper we introduce the idea of a Solid Strip which is the generalization to higher dimensions of 2-dimensional Untwisted and Mobius Strips.

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## 1 Introduction

For the purpose of this paper, we will call a strip is a 2-dimensional manifold with boundary obtained by identifying 2 opposite edges of the 4 edges of a square. It can be done without a twist (Untwisted Strip) or with a twist (Mobius Strip).

In 2-dimensions we have only two possible configurations. An untwisted strip which has a boundary composed by two circles and it is orientable and a Mobius Strip that has a boundary composed only by one circles and it is not orientable. We want to generalise the idea of a strip to the 3-dimensional case.

## 2 Solid Strips

The idea of a strip described above can be easily extended to 3-dimensional manifolds. In 2-dimensions we have 2D strips obtained by identifying one couple of opposite edges of the two couples of edges of a square. In 3-dimensions we will have "Solid Strips" which are 3D "strips" obtained by identifying (two by two) two couples of opposite faces out of the three couples of faces of a cube.

Solid trips are like "rings" in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  meaning that they can be linked like the links of a common steel chain (the one you can buy in an hardware shop) in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , and they cannot be separated without breaking them. There are 8 ways of identifying two opposite faces of a cube (group of symmetries of a square keeping the other one fixed) which, for two couples, gives a total of 64 different possible manifolds. However these manifolds form homeomorphic classes and therefore the number of actual spaces is much lower.

All the above 64 mentioned configurations are reported in the table in Appendix A.1 where vertices numbering of the cube used to build the configurations is defined in Fig. 1. The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> columns of the two tables contain the way opposite faces of the cube are identified for that specific configuration and the

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4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> columns contain the way edges and vertices of the two remaining faces (the up and bottom faces in Fig. 1) get identified to form the boundary (to better understand how to read these 2 columns, refer to Fig. 1).

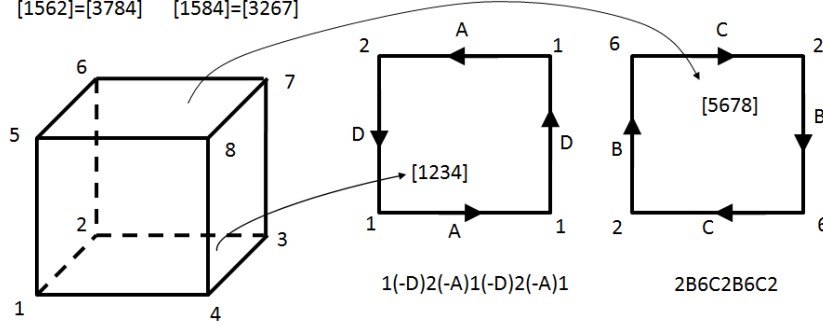


Figure 1: Example of a Solid Strip Configuration - Boundary  $\mathbf{RP}^2 \vee \mathbf{RP}^2$

Given the above configurations, 2 out of 64 (configurations 63 and 64 in the table in Appendix A.1) lead to a not feasible space. To see this let us consider configuration 63. The identification requirements from columns 2 ask edge [15] to be identified with edge [37] while from column 3 we are asked to identify edge [15] to edge [73] and the two identification are obviously impossible to be done at the same time.

Some of the 64 configurations are equivalent to each other. For example, in configuration 40 in the table in Appendix A.1 we are requested to rotate a face of a couple by  $90^\circ$  and then identify it to the other face. In configuration 41 we are requested to do the same thing to the other couple of faces. The two configurations are obviously equivalent and we can go from one to another by rotating the cube by  $90^\circ$  around the z axis. More analytically we have that configurations 40 and 41 are given by the following identification requirements:

$$\begin{aligned} C_{40} : [1562] &= [4873] & [1584] &= [6732] \\ C_{41} : [1562] &= [3487] & [1584] &= [2673] \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

by applying a rotation of  $90^\circ$  around the z axis, to configuration 40, given by the following permutation of cube vertices:

$$RotZ = \begin{pmatrix} 12345678 \\ 23416785 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

we get the following configuration:

$$C'_{40} : [2673] = [1584] \quad [2651] = [7843] \quad (3)$$

which is, by permuting the order of the vertices, configuration 41. The two configuration are therefore equivalent and the two relevant spaces are homeomorphic.

We have written a simple code that applies all the 48 symmetries of a cube to each configuration in Appendix A.1 and compares the results with all other configurations looking for equivalences. By using this code, we have classified

all 64 spaces in 22 equivalent classes (one of which composed of non feasible configurations) leading to a total of 21 equivalent homeomorphic classes of spaces reported in the table below:

For each class, we have finally evaluated the boundary of each space (see Appendix A.3) and we have found 12 different boundaries which are reported in the last column of the table below.

Cla.	Ident. 1	Ident. 2	Face 1 [1234]	Face 2 [5678]	Bound.
1	[1562]=[4873]	[1584]=[2673]	1(-C)1(-E)1C1E1	5A5D5(-A)5(-D)5	$\mathbf{T}^2 \sqcup \mathbf{T}^2$
2	[1562]=[4873]	[1584]=[3762]	1(-C)1E1C1E1	5A5(-D)5(-A)5(-D)5	$\mathbf{K} \sqcup \mathbf{K}$
3	[1562]=[3784]	[1584]=[3762]	1(-D)2F1(-D)2F1	5B6(-E)5B6(-E)5	$\mathbf{RP}^2 \sqcup \mathbf{RP}^2$
4	[1562]=[3784]	[1584]=[3267]	1(-D)2(-A)1(-D)2(-A)1	2B6C2B6C2	$\mathbf{RP}^2 \vee \mathbf{RP}^2$
5	[1562]=[3487]	[1584]=[3267]	1(-D)2(-A)1A2D1	2B6(-B)2(-C)6C2	$\mathbf{X}_1 \vee \mathbf{X}_1$
6	[1562]=[7348]	[1584]=[7326]	1(-D)2(-E)3B4F1	3B4F1(-D)2(-E)3	$\mathbf{S}^2$
7	[1562]=[8437]	[1584]=[6237]	1(-C)2D1(-A)2E1	2A1(-E)2C1(-D)2	$\mathbf{T}^2$
8	[1562]=[4873]	[1584]=[6237]	1(-C)2D2C1E1	2A1(-E)1(-A)2(-D)2	$\mathbf{T}^2$
9	[1562]=[4873]	[1584]=[7326]	1(-C)2(-D)2C1E1	2A1E1(-A)2(-D)2	$\mathbf{T}^2$
10	[1562]=[8437]	[1584]=[3762]	1(-C)2E1(-A)2E1	2A1(-D)2C1(-D)2	$\mathbf{K}$
11	[1562]=[8437]	[1584]=[7326]	1(-C)1(-D)3(-A)3E1	3A3E1C1(-D)3	$\mathbf{K}$
12	[1562]=[7348]	[1584]=[2376]	1(-D)1A3B4C1	3B4C1(-D)1A3	$\mathbf{X}_1$
13	[1562]=[4378]	[1584]=[2376]	1(-D)1A3(-A)1C1	3B1(-D)1C1(-B)3	$\mathbf{X}_2$
14	[1562]=[3487]	[1584]=[6732]	1(-D)2B1A2(-C)1	2B1A2(-C)1(-D)2	$\mathbf{X}_2$
15	[1562]=[8437]	[1584]=[3267]	1(-D)2(-A)1(-B)2(-C)1	2B1A2D1C2	$\mathbf{X}_2$
16	[1562]=[8437]	[1584]=[2376]	1(-D)1A3(-B)3C1	3B3(-A)1D1(-C)3	$\mathbf{X}_2$
17	[1562]=[4873]	[1584]=[3267]	1(-D)1(-A)1D1C1	1B1(-A)1(-B)1C1	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
18	[1562]=[4873]	[1584]=[2376]	1(-D)1A1D1C1	1B1A1(-B)1C1	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
19	[1562]=[3784]	[1584]=[2376]	1(-D)1A1(-D)1C1	1B1(-C)1B1(-A)1	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
20	[1562]=[3487]	[1584]=[7326]	1(-B)1(-C)1B1D1	1A1D1(-A)1(-C)1	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
21	[1562]=[3487]	[1584]=[2376]	1(-D)1A1A1C1	1B1B1(-C)1D1	$\mathbf{Z}_1$

Table 1 : Classes of Equivalent Solid Strip Configurations

where:

- With the symbol  $\sqcup$  (disjoint union) we mean two separate instances of a space which are not path connected.
- Space  $\mathbf{X}_1$ : is a 2-sphere where two separate points of the sphere are identified (see also Appendix A.3). This space has a point where the space is not locally homomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and therefore it is not a manifold.
- Space  $\mathbf{X}_1 \vee \mathbf{X}_1$ : is a wedge sum of two  $\mathbf{X}_1$  spaces (see also Appendix A.3). This space has three points where the space is not locally homomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and therefore it is not a manifold.
- Space  $\mathbf{X}_2$ : is a 2-sphere where two couple of separate points of the sphere are identified (see also Appendix A.3). This space has two points where the space is not locally homomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and therefore it is not a manifold.
- Space  $\mathbf{Y}_1$ : is a 2-torus where two separate points of the torus are identified (see also Appendix A.3). This space has a point where the space is not locally homomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and therefore it is not a manifold.

- Space  $\mathbf{Z}_1$ : is a Klein Bottle where two separate points of the Klein Bottle are identified (see also Appendix A.3). This space has a point where the manifold is not locally homomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and therefore it is not a manifold.

The 21 classes given above are made of homomorphic configurations. In order to further grouped this 21 we should decompose the cube in simplices and permute them looking for equivalent configurations. This may be done in a further issue of this paper. However, we have evaluated the Homology groups of the 21 classes (see next paragraph and appendix A.2) and we have found 14 classes made of configurations which have the same homology groups and the same boundary. This classes, which we will call maybe improperly homology classes, are reported in the table in the next paragraph as well as in Appendix A.2 where also the groups are listed.

We note explicitly that each solid trip boundary is made up of two identical squares, where identical means that they edges and vertices are identified with the same rules (See Appendix A.3)

### 3 The $\xi$ Notation

For sake of visualization, we imagine to stretch the cube along one directions so that the final configuration will really look like a ring. We identify the two "short" faces (actually square faces) and two opposite "long" faces. The two remaining long faces will form the boundary.

We said above that the way we identify faces are elements of the group of symmetries of a square and we can give them a name. These element are reported in the tables below:

Permutations	Symmetry	Face 1	Face 2	Group Element
1234	Identity	[1584]	[2673]	$g_0$
2143	SymX	[5148]	[6237]	$g_1$
2341	-RotZ	[5841]	[6732]	$g_2$
4123	RotZ	[4158]	[3267]	$g_3$
4321	SymY	[4851]	[3762]	$g_4$
3412	2*RotZ	[8415]	[7326]	$g_5$
1432	SymXY	[1485]	[2376]	$g_6$
3214	SymX(-Y)	[8514]	[7623]	$g_7$

Table 1 : Short Faces - Naming of Face Orientation Group

Permutations	Symmetry	Face 1	Face 2	Group Element
1234	Identity	[1562]	[4873]	$a_0$
2143	SymX	[5126]	[8437]	$a_1$
2341	-RotZ	[5621]	[8734]	$a_2$
4123	RotZ	[2156]	[3487]	$a_3$
4321	SymY	[2651]	[3784]	$a_4$
3412	2*RotZ	[6215]	[7348]	$a_5$
1432	SymXY	[1265]	[4378]	$a_6$
3214	SymX(-Y)	[6512]	[7843]	$a_7$

Table 2 : Long Faces - Naming of Face Orientation Group

where vertices of the reference square used for the permutations (first column of the table) are named from 1 to 4 clockwise and with one the down left vertex.

With the above group elements for face orientation we will use the notation  $\xi(g_i, a_j)$  for a given solid strip, where the  $g_i$  and  $a_j$  represent the way the two couple of opposite faces of the cube get identified.

We note explicitly that with the notation above, when two opposite faces are identified using the identity ( $g_0$  or  $a_0$ ), this means that they are identified with one of the faces being positive with the surface orientation pointing towards the interior of the cube, and the other with an orientation pointing towards the external.

In the table below we present all the solid strips grouped by class with the  $\xi$  notation, the homology class described in the paragraph above, the boundary and the Euler characteristics of the boundary.

$[\xi]$	Homology Class	Configurations	$\partial\xi$	$\chi(\partial\xi)$
1	1	$\xi(g_0, a_0)$	$\mathbf{T}^2 \sqcup \mathbf{T}^2$	0
2	2	$\xi(g_4, a_0), \xi(g_0, a_4)$	$\mathbf{K} \sqcup \mathbf{K}$	0
3	3	$\xi(g_4, a_4)$	$\mathbf{RP}^2 \sqcup \mathbf{RP}^2$	2
4	4	$\xi(g_3, a_4), \xi(g_2, a_4), \xi(g_4, a_3), \xi(g_4, a_2)$	$\mathbf{RP}^2 \vee \mathbf{RP}^2$	1
5	5	$\xi(g_3, a_3), \xi(g_2, a_2)$	$\mathbf{X}_1 \vee \mathbf{X}_1$	1
6	6	$\xi(g_5, a_5)$	$\mathbf{S}^2$	2
7	7	$\xi(g_1, a_1)$	$\mathbf{T}^2$	0
8	7	$\xi(g_1, a_0), \xi(g_0, a_1)$	$\mathbf{T}^2$	0
9	8	$\xi(g_5, a_0), \xi(g_0, a_5)$	$\mathbf{T}^2$	0
10	9	$\xi(g_4, a_1), \xi(g_1, a_4)$	$\mathbf{K}$	0
11	9	$\xi(g_5, a_1), \xi(g_1, a_5)$	$\mathbf{K}$	0
12	10	$\xi(g_6, a_5), \xi(g_7, a_5), \xi(g_5, a_6), \xi(g_5, a_7)$	$\mathbf{X}_1$	1
13	11	$\xi(g_6, a_6), \xi(g_7, a_6), \xi(g_6, a_7), \xi(g_7, a_7)$	$\mathbf{X}_2$	0
14	12	$\xi(g_2, a_3), \xi(g_3, a_2)$	$\mathbf{X}_2$	0
15	12	$\xi(g_3, a_1), \xi(g_2, a_1), \xi(g_1, a_3), \xi(g_1, a_2)$	$\mathbf{X}_2$	0
16	12	$\xi(g_6, a_1), \xi(g_7, a_1), \xi(g_1, a_6), \xi(g_1, a_7)$	$\mathbf{X}_2$	0
17	13	$\xi(g_3, a_0), \xi(g_2, a_0), \xi(g_0, a_3), \xi(g_0, a_2)$	$\mathbf{Y}_1$	-1
18	13	$\xi(g_6, a_0), \xi(g_7, a_0), \xi(g_0, a_6), \xi(g_0, a_7)$	$\mathbf{Y}_1$	-1
19	14	$\xi(g_6, a_4), \xi(g_7, a_4), \xi(g_4, a_6), \xi(g_4, a_7)$	$\mathbf{Y}_1$	-1
20	14	$\xi(g_5, a_3), \xi(g_5, a_2), \xi(g_3, a_5), \xi(g_2, a_5)$	$\mathbf{Y}_1$	-1
21	15	$\xi(g_6, a_3), \xi(g_7, a_3), \xi(g_6, a_2), \xi(g_7, a_2), \xi(g_3, a_6), \xi(g_2, a_6), \xi(g_3, a_7), \xi(g_2, a_7)$	$\mathbf{Z}_1$	-1
22	N/A	$\xi(g_5, a_4), \xi(g_4, a_5)$	Not Feasible	N/A

Table 3 : Solid Strips  $\xi$  with Strip Classes  $[\xi]$ , Boundaries  $\partial\xi$  and the Euler Characteristics of the Boundaries  $\chi(\partial\xi)$ .

## 4 Homology Groups of Solid Strips

We have evaluated the homology groups of all the 64 solid strip configurations. In order to do that we have triangulated each face of the cube of Fig. 1 using

four faces each of which taken from one of four 3-simplices joint together as shown in Fig 2.a. We have then joint 6 of these blocks of 4 simplices, each for each face of the cube (see Fig 2.b) for a total of 24 simplices.

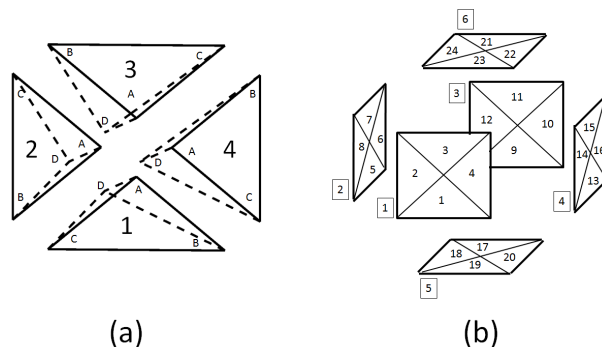


Figure 2: Cube Decomposition in Simplices

We have then written a program that, using the above described decomposition, builds the simplicial complex for each strip configuration and uses it to evaluate the homology groups of them.

Using these results we have further grouped some of the homeomorphic classes in classes of configurations that have the same boundary and at the same time have the same homology groups. For example the 3 homeomorphic classes 7, 8 and 9, having as a boundary a Torus, can be grouped in 2 classes since classes 7 and 8 have the same homology groups.

The results of the computation are reported in the table in appendix A.2.

# Appendix

## A.1 Full Set of Solid Strip Configurations

In this appendix the full set of 64 solid strip configurations are reported. The configurations are grouped in 22 equivalent classes as specified in the right columns of the tables. Note that one class leads to non feasible configurations and therefore the number of possible different solid strips that can be obtained is only 21.

n	Ident. 1	Ident. 2	Face 1 [1234]	Face 2 [5678]	Class
1	[1562]=[4873]	[1584]=[2673]	1(-C)1(-E)1C1E1	5A5D5(-A)5(-D)5	1
2	[1562]=[4873]	[1584]=[3762]	1(-C)1E1C1E1	5A5(-D)5(-A)5(-D)5	2
3	[1562]=[3784]	[1584]=[2673]	1(-C)1(-E)1(-C)1E1	5A5D5A5(-D)5	2
4	[1562]=[3784]	[1584]=[3762]	1(-D)2F1(-D)2F1	5B6(-E)5B6(-E)5	3
5	[1562]=[3784]	[1584]=[3267]	1(-D)2(-A)1(-D)2(-A)1	2B6C2B6C2	4
6	[1562]=[3784]	[1584]=[6732]	1(-D)2(-C)1(-D)2(-C)1	5B1A5B1A5	4
7	[1562]=[3487]	[1584]=[3762]	1(-B)2D1(-B)2D1	2(-A)6(-C)2(-A)6(-C)2	4
8	[1562]=[8734]	[1584]=[3762]	1(-B)2D1(-B)2D1	5A1(-C)5A1(-C)5	4
9	[1562]=[3487]	[1584]=[3267]	1(-D)2(-A)1A2D1	2B6(-B)2(-C)6C2	5
10	[1562]=[8734]	[1584]=[6732]	1(-D)2D1C2(-C)1	5B1A5(-A)1(-B)5	5
11	[1562]=[7348]	[1584]=[7326]	1(-D)2(-E)3B4F1	3B4F1(-D)2(-E)3	6
12	[1562]=[8437]	[1584]=[6237]	1(-C)2D1(-A)2E1	2A1(-E)2C1(-D)2	7
13	[1562]=[4873]	[1584]=[6237]	1(-C)2D2C1E1	2A1(-E)1(-A)2(-D)2	8
14	[1562]=[8437]	[1584]=[2673]	1(-C)1(-E)3(-A)3E1	3A3D1C1(-D)3	8
15	[1562]=[4873]	[1584]=[7326]	1(-C)2(-D)2C1E1	2A1E1(-A)2(-D)2	9
16	[1562]=[7348]	[1584]=[2673]	1(-C)1(-E)3A3E1	3A3D1(-C)1(-D)3	9
17	[1562]=[8437]	[1584]=[3762]	1(-C)2E1(-A)2E1	2A1(-D)2C1(-D)2	10
18	[1562]=[3784]	[1584]=[6237]	1(-C)2D1(-C)2E1	2A1(-E)2A1(-D)2	10
19	[1562]=[8437]	[1584]=[7326]	1(-C)1(-D)3(-A)3E1	3A3E1C1(-D)3	11
20	[1562]=[7348]	[1584]=[6237]	1(-C)2D2A1E1	2A1(-E)1(-C)2(-D)2	11
21	[1562]=[7348]	[1584]=[2376]	1(-D)1A3B4C1	3B4C1(-D)1A3	12
22	[1562]=[7348]	[1584]=[7623]	1(-D)2(-C)3B3(-A)1	3B3(-A)1(-D)2(-C)3	12
23	[1562]=[4378]	[1584]=[7326]	1(-B)2(-C)3A1D1	3A1D1(-B)2(-C)3	12
24	[1562]=[7843]	[1584]=[7326]	1(-B)2(-C)2(-A)4D1	2(-A)4D1(-B)2(-C)2	12
25	[1562]=[4378]	[1584]=[2376]	1(-D)1A3(-A)1C1	3B1(-D)1C1(-B)3	13
26	[1562]=[4378]	[1584]=[7623]	1(-D)2D1(-A)1B1	1B1(-A)1C2(-C)1	13
27	[1562]=[7843]	[1584]=[2376]	1(-D)1A1(-C)4C1	1B4(-B)1A1(-D)1	13
28	[1562]=[7843]	[1584]=[7623]	1(-D)2B2(-C)2D1	2B2(-A)1A2(-C)2	13
29	[1562]=[3487]	[1584]=[6732]	1(-D)2B1A2(-C)1	2B1A2(-C)1(-D)2	14
30	[1562]=[8734]	[1584]=[3267]	1(-D)2(-A)1C2B1	2B1(-D)2(-A)1C2	14
31	[1562]=[8437]	[1584]=[3267]	1(-D)2(-A)1(-B)2(-C)1	2B1A2D1C2	15
32	[1562]=[8437]	[1584]=[6732]	1(-D)2(-A)1(-B)2(-C)1	2B1A2D1C2	15

n	Ident. 1	Ident. 2	Face 1 [1234]	Face 2 [5678]	Class
33	[1562]=[3487]	[1584]=[6237]	1(-B)2C1A2D1	2B1(-D)2(-A)1(-C)2	15
34	[1562]=[8734]	[1584]=[6237]	1(-B)2C1A2D1	2B1(-D)2(-A)1(-C)2	15
35	[1562]=[8437]	[1584]=[2376]	1(-D)1A3(-B)3C1	3B3(-A)1D1(-C)3	16
36	[1562]=[8437]	[1584]=[7623]	1(-D)1A3(-B)3C1	3B3(-A)1D1(-C)3	16
37	[1562]=[4378]	[1584]=[6237]	1(-B)2C2(-A)1D1	2B1(-D)1A2(-C)2	16
38	[1562]=[7843]	[1584]=[6237]	1(-B)2C2(-A)1D1	2B1(-D)1A2(-C)2	16
39	[1562]=[4873]	[1584]=[3267]	1(-D)1(-A)1D1C1	1B1(-A)1(-B)1C1	17
40	[1562]=[4873]	[1584]=[6732]	1(-D)1A1D1(-C)1	1B1A1(-B)1(-C)1	17
41	[1562]=[3487]	[1584]=[2673]	1(-B)1(-D)1(-A)1D1	1(-B)1C1(-A)1(-C)1	17
42	[1562]=[8734]	[1584]=[2673]	1(-B)1(-D)1A1D1	1(-B)1C1A1(-C)1	17
43	[1562]=[4873]	[1584]=[2376]	1(-D)1A1D1C1	1B1A1(-B)1C1	18
44	[1562]=[4873]	[1584]=[7623]	1(-D)1(-A)1D1(-C)1	1B1(-A)1(-B)1(-C)1	18
45	[1562]=[4378]	[1584]=[2673]	1(-B)1(-D)1A1D1	1(-B)1C1A1(-C)1	18
46	[1562]=[7843]	[1584]=[2673]	1(-B)1(-D)1(-A)1D1	1(-B)1C1(-A)1(-C)1	18
47	[1562]=[3784]	[1584]=[2376]	1(-D)1A1(-D)1C1	1B1(-C)1B1(-A)1	19
48	[1562]=[3784]	[1584]=[7623]	1(-D)1C1(-D)1A1	1B1(-A)1B1(-C)1	19
49	[1562]=[4378]	[1584]=[3762]	1(-B)1D1(-A)1D1	1A1(-C)1B1(-C)1	19
50	[1562]=[7843]	[1584]=[3762]	1(-B)1D1(-A)1D1	1A1(-C)1B1(-C)1	19
51	[1562]=[3487]	[1584]=[7326]	1(-B)1(-C)1B1D1	1A1D1(-A)1(-C)1	20
52	[1562]=[8734]	[1584]=[7326]	1(-B)1(-C)1B1D1	1A1D1(-A)1(-C)1	20
53	[1562]=[7348]	[1584]=[3267]	1(-D)1(-A)1B1A1	1B1(-C)1(-D)1C1	20
54	[1562]=[7348]	[1584]=[6732]	1(-D)1C1B1(-C)1	1B1A1(-D)1(-A)1	20
55	[1562]=[3487]	[1584]=[2376]	1(-D)1A1A1C1	1B1B1(-C)1D1	21
56	[1562]=[3487]	[1584]=[7623]	1(-D)1(-B)1A1(-D)1	1B1(-A)1(-C)1(-C)1	21
57	[1562]=[8734]	[1584]=[2376]	1(-D)1A1C1C1	1B1D1(-A)1B1	21
58	[1562]=[8734]	[1584]=[7623]	1(-D)1(-D)1C1(-B)1	1B1(-A)1(-A)1(-C)1	21
59	[1562]=[4378]	[1584]=[3267]	1(-D)1(-A)1(-A)1(-B)1	1B1D1C1C1	21
60	[1562]=[4378]	[1584]=[6732]	1(-D)1(-D)1(-A)1(-C)1	1B1A1C1B1	21
61	[1562]=[7843]	[1584]=[3267]	1(-D)1(-A)1(-C)1(-D)1	1B1B1A1C1	21
62	[1562]=[7843]	[1584]=[6732]	1(-D)1(-B)1(-C)1(-C)1	1B1A1A1D1	21
63	[1562]=[3784]	[1584]=[7326]	Not Feasible	Not Feasible	22
64	[1562]=[7348]	[1584]=[3762]	Not Feasible	Not Feasible	22

Table A1.1 : Solid Strip Configurations with Relevant Class



## A.2 Sum Up Table for Solid Strips

In this section we give a sum up table of all Strip Configurations with the relevant Homology groups, Euler characteristics, boundary and the Homology class which is the class of strips having the same homology groups and the same boundary.

Num	$\xi$	$\mathbf{H}_0$	$\mathbf{H}_1$	$\mathbf{H}_2$	$\mathbf{H}_3$	$\chi(\xi)$	$\chi(\partial\xi)$	Class	Homol. Class	$\partial\xi$
1	$\xi(g_0, a_0)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	0	1	1	$\mathbf{T}^2 \sqcup \mathbf{T}^2$
2	$\xi(g_4, a_0)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	0	2	2	$\mathbf{K} \sqcup \mathbf{K}$
3	$\xi(g_0, a_4)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	0	2	2	$\mathbf{K} \sqcup \mathbf{K}$
4	$\xi(g_4, a_4)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	1	2	3	3	$\mathbf{RP}^2 \sqcup \mathbf{RP}^2$
5	$\xi(g_3, a_4)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	2	1	4	4	$\mathbf{RP}^2 \vee \mathbf{RP}^2$
6	$\xi(g_2, a_4)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	2	1	4	4	$\mathbf{RP}^2 \vee \mathbf{RP}^2$
7	$\xi(g_4, a_3)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	2	1	4	4	$\mathbf{RP}^2 \vee \mathbf{RP}^2$
8	$\xi(g_4, a_2)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	2	1	4	4	$\mathbf{RP}^2 \vee \mathbf{RP}^2$
9	$\xi(g_3, a_3)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	2	1	5	5	$\mathbf{X}_1 \vee \mathbf{X}_1$
10	$\xi(g_2, a_2)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	2	1	5	5	$\mathbf{X}_1 \vee \mathbf{X}_1$
11	$\xi(g_5, a_5)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	1	2	6	6	$\mathbf{S}^2$
12	$\xi(g_1, a_1)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	0	7	7	$\mathbf{T}^2$
13	$\xi(g_1, a_0)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	0	8	7	$\mathbf{T}^2$
14	$\xi(g_0, a_1)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	0	8	7	$\mathbf{T}^2$
15	$\xi(g_5, a_0)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	0	9	8	$\mathbf{T}^2$
16	$\xi(g_0, a_5)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	0	9	8	$\mathbf{T}^2$
17	$\xi(g_4, a_1)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	0	10	9	$\mathbf{K}$
18	$\xi(g_1, a_4)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	0	10	9	$\mathbf{K}$
19	$\xi(g_5, a_1)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	0	11	9	$\mathbf{K}$
20	$\xi(g_1, a_5)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	0	11	9	$\mathbf{K}$
21	$\xi(g_6, a_5)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	2	1	12	10	$\mathbf{X}_1$
22	$\xi(g_7, a_5)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	2	1	12	10	$\mathbf{X}_1$
23	$\xi(g_5, a_6)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	2	1	12	10	$\mathbf{X}_1$
24	$\xi(g_5, a_7)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	2	1	12	10	$\mathbf{X}_1$
25	$\xi(g_6, a_6)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	1	0	13	11	$\mathbf{X}_2$
26	$\xi(g_7, a_6)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	1	0	13	11	$\mathbf{X}_2$
27	$\xi(g_6, a_7)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	1	0	13	11	$\mathbf{X}_2$
28	$\xi(g_7, a_7)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	1	0	13	11	$\mathbf{X}_2$
29	$\xi(g_2, a_3)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	1	0	14	12	$\mathbf{X}_2$
30	$\xi(g_3, a_2)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	1	0	14	12	$\mathbf{X}_2$
31	$\xi(g_3, a_1)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	1	0	15	12	$\mathbf{X}_2$
32	$\xi(g_2, a_1)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	1	0	15	12	$\mathbf{X}_2$

Num	$\xi$	$\mathbf{H}_0$	$\mathbf{H}_1$	$\mathbf{H}_2$	$\mathbf{H}_3$	$\chi(\xi)$	$\chi(\partial\xi)$	Class	Homol. Class	$\partial\xi$
33	$\xi(g_1, a_3)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	1	0	15	12	$\mathbf{X}_2$
34	$\xi(g_1, a_2)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	1	0	15	12	$\mathbf{X}_2$
35	$\xi(g_6, a_1)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	1	0	16	12	$\mathbf{X}_2$
36	$\xi(g_7, a_1)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	1	0	16	12	$\mathbf{X}_2$
37	$\xi(g_1, a_6)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	1	0	16	12	$\mathbf{X}_2$
38	$\xi(g_1, a_7)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	1	0	16	12	$\mathbf{X}_2$
39	$\xi(g_3, a_0)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	-1	17	13	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
40	$\xi(g_2, a_0)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	-1	17	13	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
41	$\xi(g_0, a_3)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	-1	17	13	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
42	$\xi(g_0, a_2)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	-1	17	13	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
43	$\xi(g_6, a_0)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	-1	18	13	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
44	$\xi(g_7, a_0)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	-1	18	13	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
45	$\xi(g_0, a_6)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	-1	18	13	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
46	$\xi(g_0, a_7)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}^2$	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	-1	18	13	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
47	$\xi(g_6, a_4)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_4$	0	0	0	-1	19	14	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
48	$\xi(g_7, a_4)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_4$	0	0	0	-1	19	14	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
49	$\xi(g_4, a_6)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_4$	0	0	0	-1	19	14	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
50	$\xi(g_4, a_7)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_4$	0	0	0	-1	19	14	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
51	$\xi(g_5, a_3)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_4$	0	0	0	-1	20	14	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
52	$\xi(g_5, a_2)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_4$	0	0	0	-1	20	14	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
53	$\xi(g_3, a_5)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_4$	0	0	0	-1	20	14	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
54	$\xi(g_2, a_5)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_4$	0	0	0	-1	20	14	$\mathbf{Y}_1$
55	$\xi(g_6, a_3)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	-1	21	15	$\mathbf{Z}_1$
56	$\xi(g_7, a_3)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	-1	21	15	$\mathbf{Z}_1$
57	$\xi(g_6, a_2)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	-1	21	15	$\mathbf{Z}_1$
58	$\xi(g_7, a_2)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	-1	21	15	$\mathbf{Z}_1$
59	$\xi(g_3, a_6)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	-1	21	15	$\mathbf{Z}_1$
60	$\xi(g_2, a_6)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	-1	21	15	$\mathbf{Z}_1$
61	$\xi(g_3, a_7)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	-1	21	15	$\mathbf{Z}_1$
62	$\xi(g_2, a_7)$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	0	0	0	-1	21	15	$\mathbf{Z}_1$
63	$\xi(g_5, a_4)$	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
64	$\xi(g_4, a_5)$	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Table A2.1 : Homology of Solid Strips with Relevant Classes

### A.3 Boundaries of Strip Configurations by Class

This appendix contains the boundaries of the 21 solid strip configurations in a pictorial form.

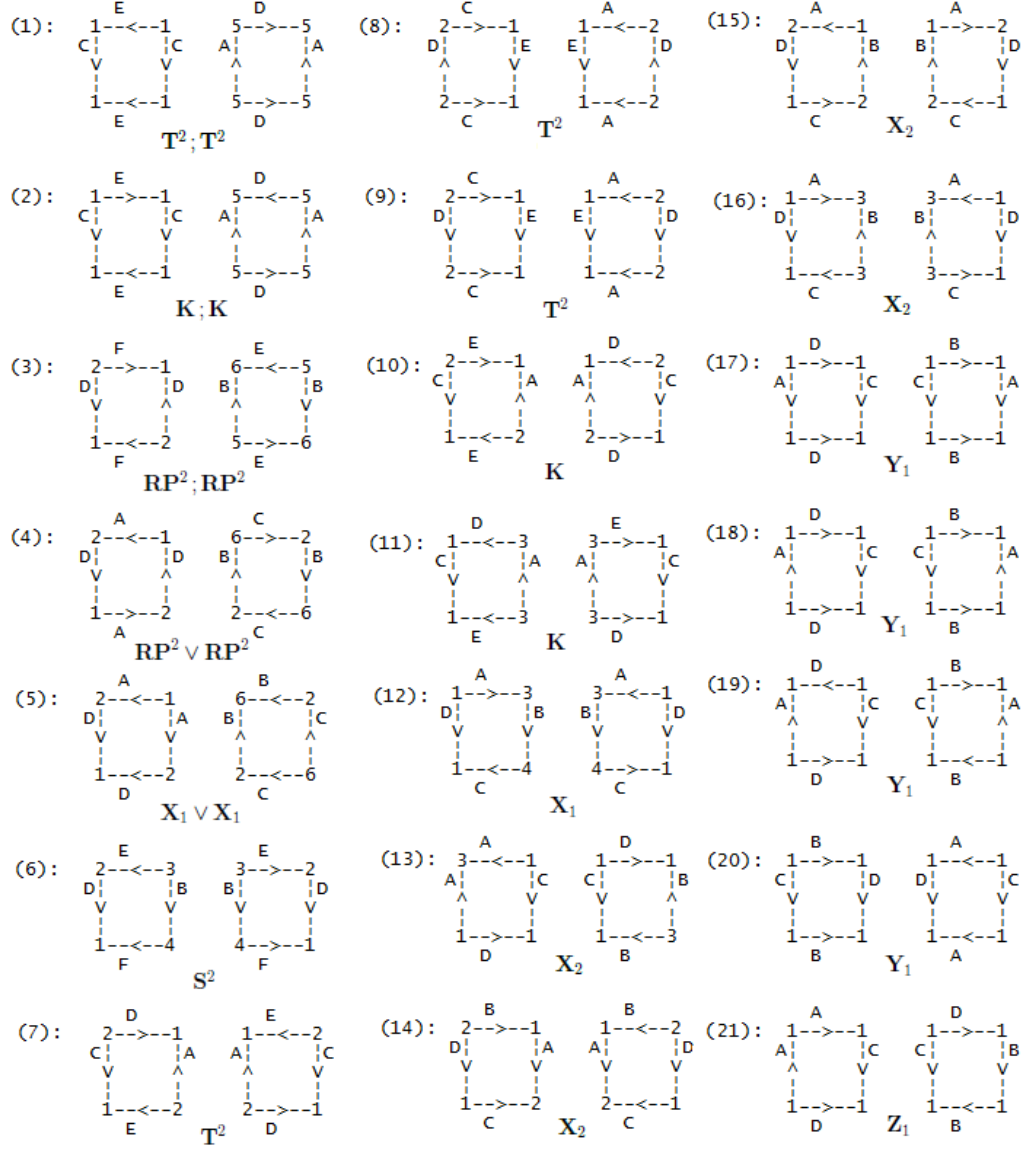


Figure 3: Solid Strip Configuration Boundaries by Classes