Geometrization, integrability and knots

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Abstract

I will discuss the coexistence of the chaos and Liouville integrability in relation with Thurston's geometrization programme, using as the main example the geodesic flows on the 3-folds with SL(2,R)-geometry.

A particular case of such manifold SL(2,R)/SL(2,Z) is known after Milnor and Quillen to be topologically equivalent to the complement of the trefoil knot in 3-sphere. I will explain that the remarkable results of Ghys about modular and Lorenz knots can be naturally extended to the integrable region, where in the limit we have only the cable knots of trefoil.

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