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Title. Arrow calculus for welded links

Abstract. We develop a diagrammatic calculus for welded knotted objects. We define Arrow presentations, which are essentially equivalent to Gauss diagrams but carry no sign on arrows, and more generally w-tree presentations, which can be seen as 'higher order Gauss diagrams'. We provide a complete set of moves for Arrow and w-tree presentations. This Arrow calculus is used to characterize finite type invariants of welded knots and long knots.

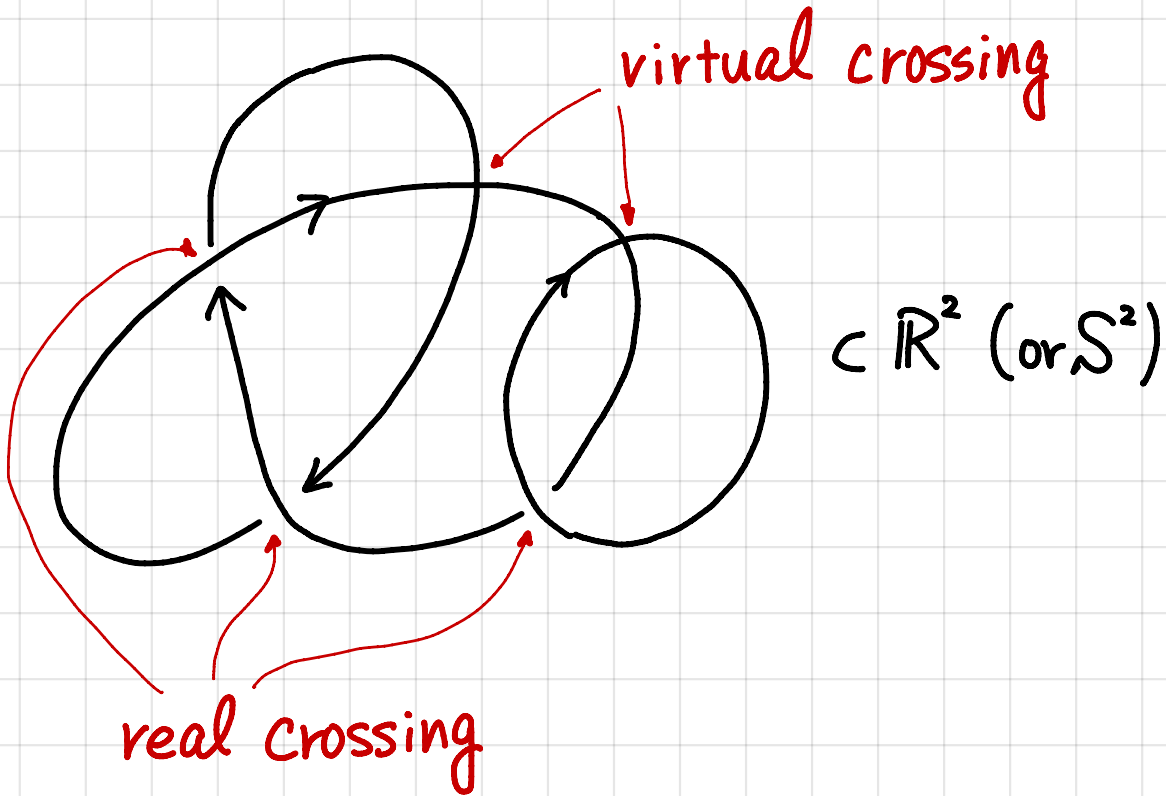
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§ Intro

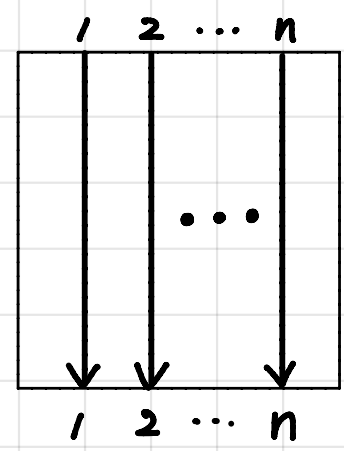
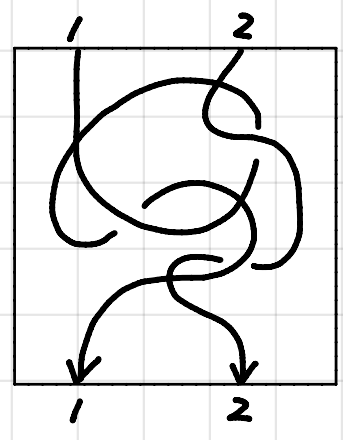
Today,
we study only ori. diagram (1-dim in 2-dim)
(while we often omit ori)

ori. link diagram



○ ○ ... ○ : trivial

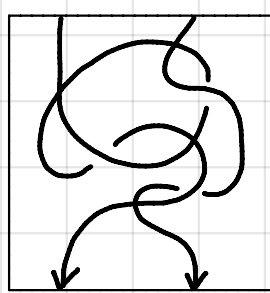
string link diagram



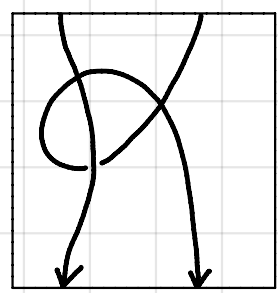
: trivial

(string) knot : (string) link of single curve

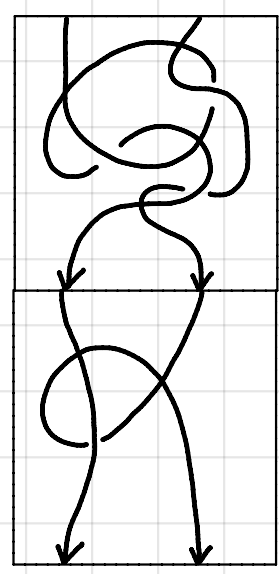
product of string link diagrams



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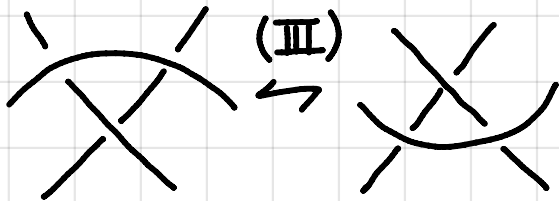
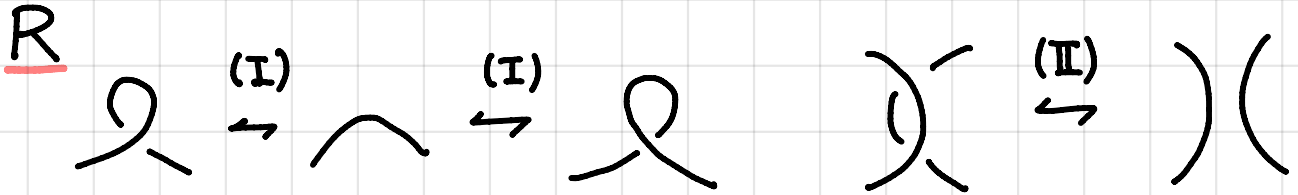


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classical objects:

{ diagrams with crossings } / R-moves



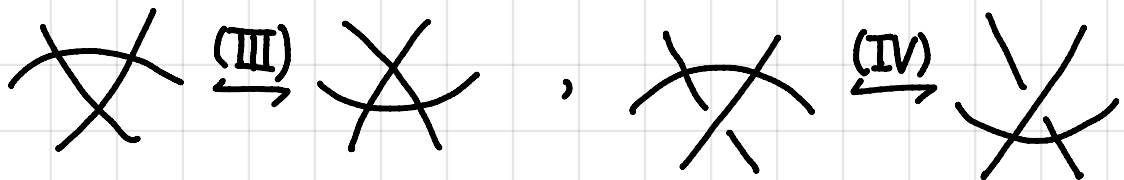
Reidemeister's Th

{ links in S^3 } / amb. isotopy $\overset{=}{\leftrightarrow}$ { diagrams with crossings } / R-moves

embedded curves

virtual objects:

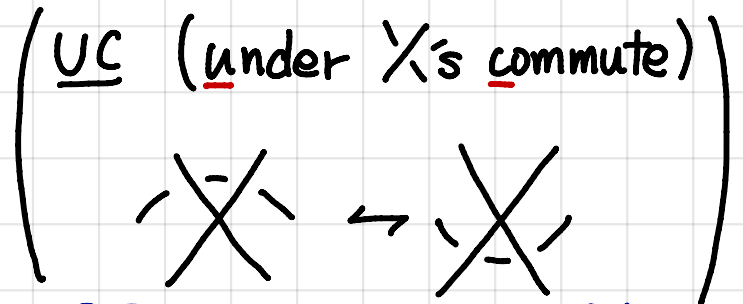
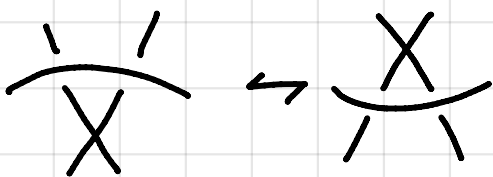
{diagrams with \setminus 's & \times 's} / R-moves
vR-moves



welded objects:

{diagrams with \setminus 's & \times 's} / R-moves
vR-moves
OC

OC (over \setminus 's commute)



"forbidden" move

Rem. (Goussarov - Polyak - Viro '00)

classical \leftrightarrow virtual

classical \leftrightarrow welded

In this talk, our main object is welded.

i.e.,

diagram: diagram with \diagdown & \diagup

\sim : equi up to R-moves, vR-moves, OC

Purpose

classical \longleftrightarrow finite type inv (via $\diagdown \leftrightarrow \diagdown$)
 Habiro's
 clasper theory





welded \longleftrightarrow finite type inv (via $\diagdown \leftrightarrow \diagup$)
 Our
 "clasper theory"

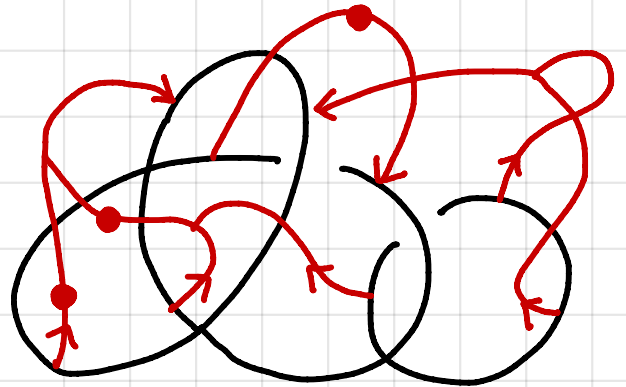
§ W-tree & W-arrow

W-tree(s) for a diagram D :

immersed univalent tree

with {

- ori. 
- dot  (mod 2)
- (ie.  = )



s.t.

- { trivalent vertices } $\cap D = \emptyset$
- { univalent vertices } $\subset D \setminus \{ \times \text{'s}, \times \text{'s} \}$
- edge $\cap D$
- edge \cap edge } virtual crossings

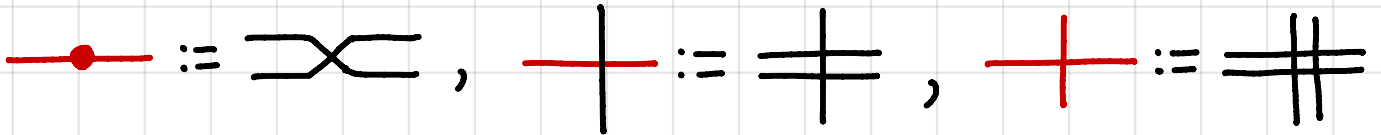
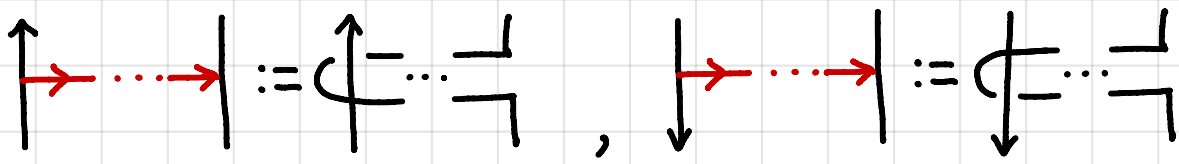
 : tail ,  : head

Note $\exists!$ head (may omit to draw ori) but head

W_k -tree : W-tree with k tails

W-arrow : W_1 -tree

surgery along w-arrow:



Arrow pres.

D: diagram, V: diagram without X's

A: w-arrows for V

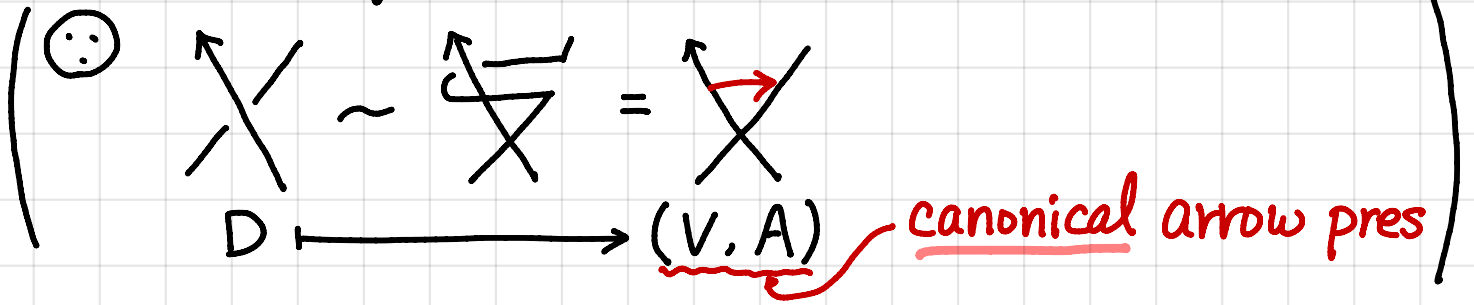
(V, A): arrow pres for D

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} D \sim \underline{VA}$$

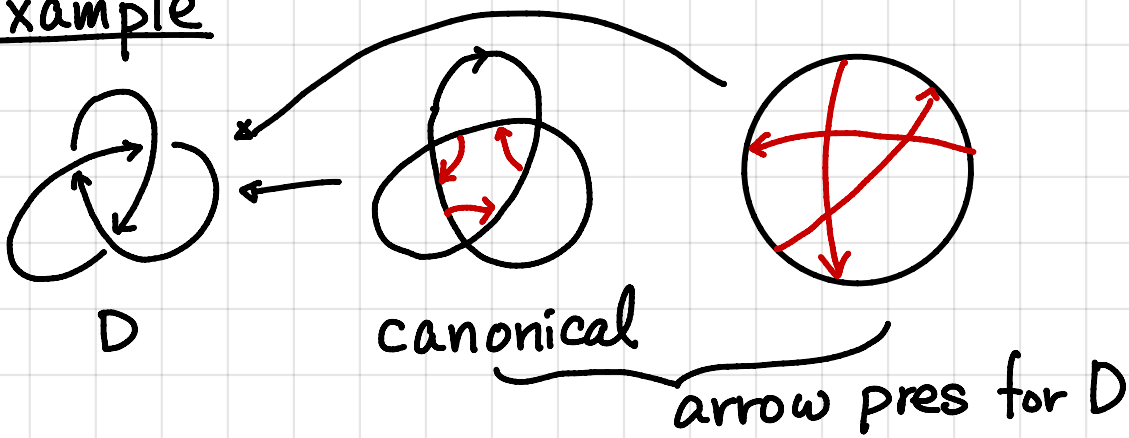
↖ diagram obtained from V by surgery along A

$$(V, A) = (V', A') \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} V_A \sim V'_A$$

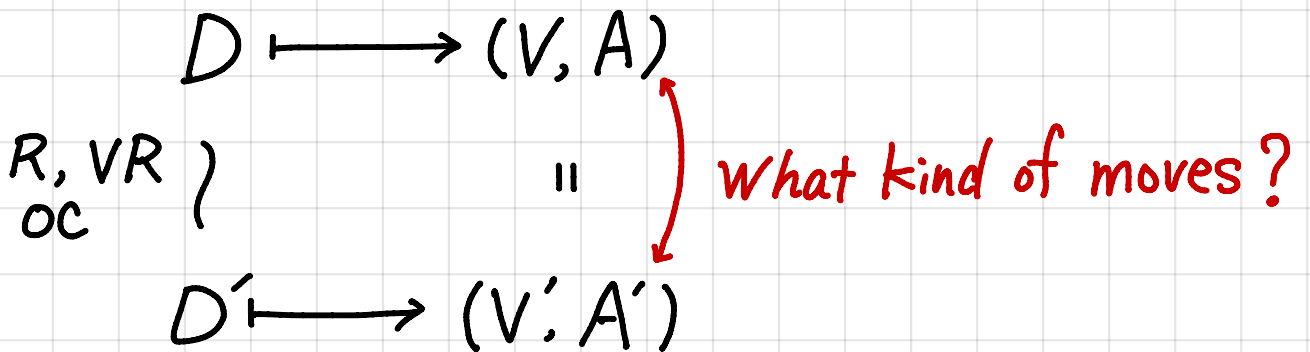
Rem \forall diagram has an arrow pres.



Example



Question

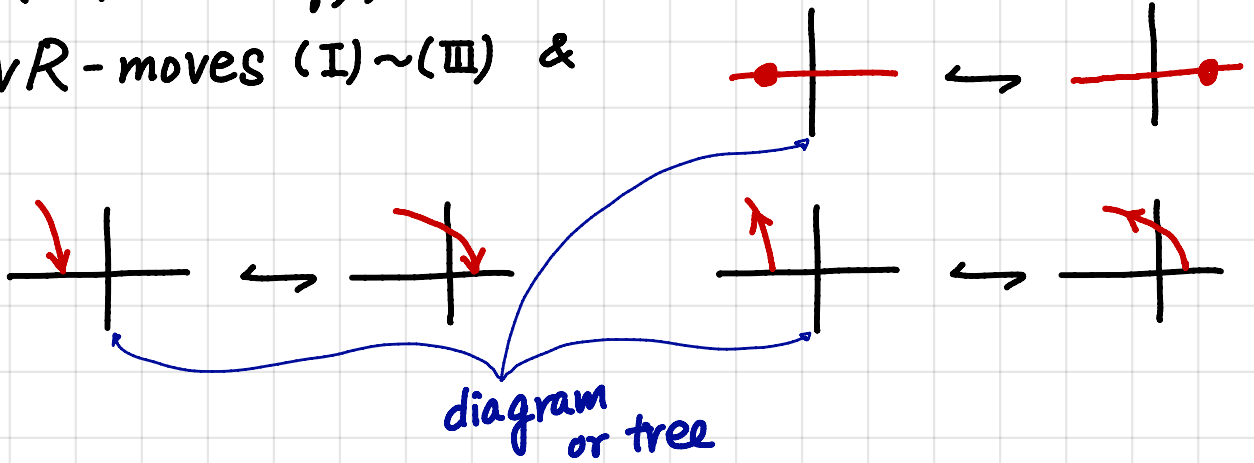


Th 1

$(V, A) = (V', A') \iff$ they are related by:

(0) (virtual isotopy)

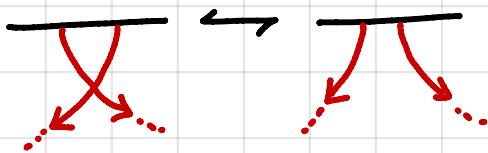
vR -moves (I)~(III) &



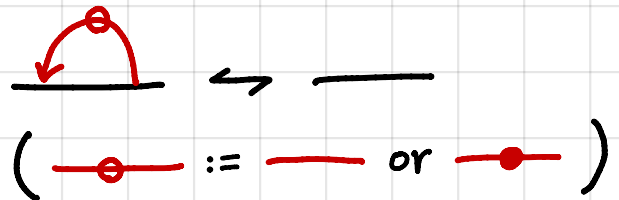
(1) (Head/tail reversal)



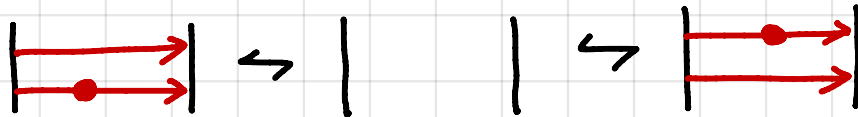
(2) (Tail exchange)



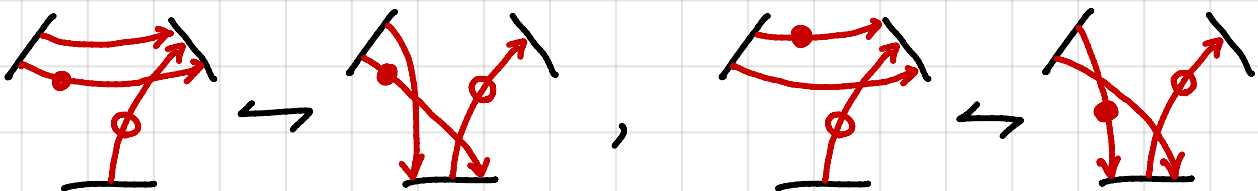
(3) (Isolated)



(4) (Inverse)



(5) (Slide)



Rem.

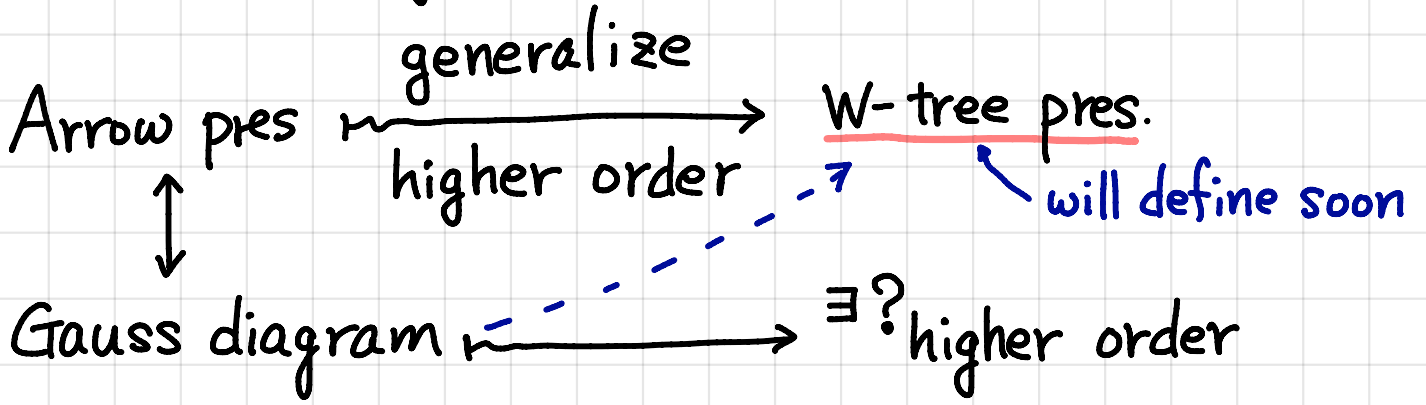
(0), (1) \longleftrightarrow VR-moves, (2) \longleftrightarrow OC
 (3), (4), (5) \longleftrightarrow R-moves (I), (II), (III) resp.

Rem (V, A) is similar to Gauss diagram

but { we do not need sign ($-$ does not mean sign)
 (V, A) is "topological" object
 (that's why we need moves (0) & (1))

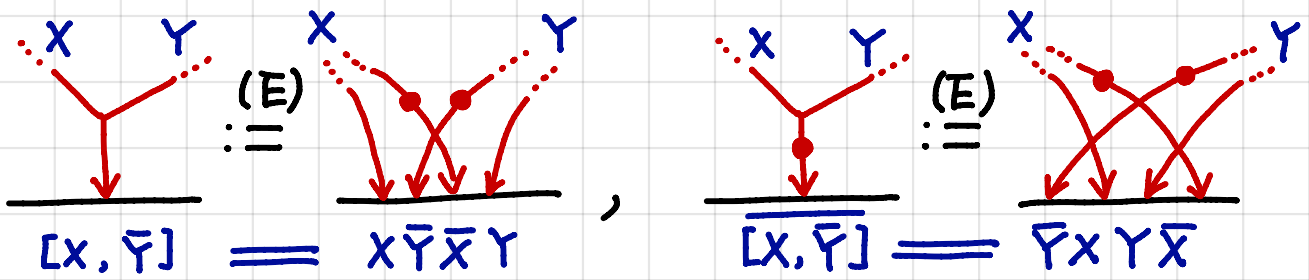
(Gauss diagram : "combinatorial" object
 which describes diagram.)

Our advantage

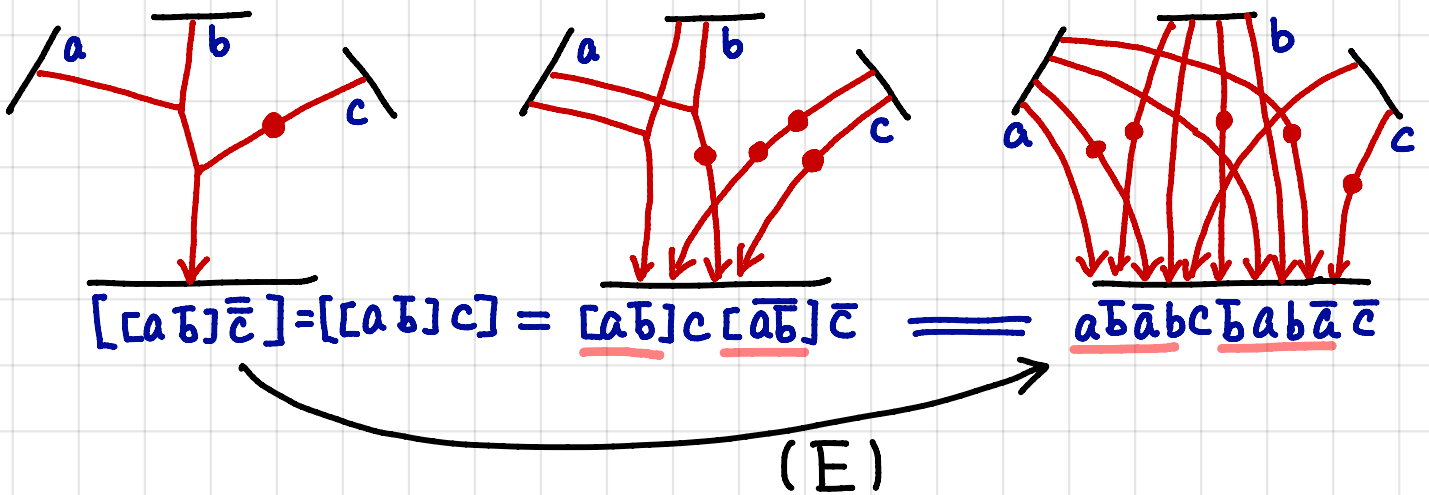


Surgery along W-tree

Extention (w-tree $\xrightarrow{(E)}$ w-arrows)



Example



surgery along W-tree

W : w-tree for a diagram D

$$D \cup W \xrightarrow{(E)} D \cup \underbrace{A}_{\text{w-arrows}} \xrightarrow{\text{surgery}} D_A$$

$D_W := D_A$: diagram obtained from D by surgery along W

Rem surgery along w-tree has "Brunnian property"

W-tree pres

D : diagram, V : diagram without X's

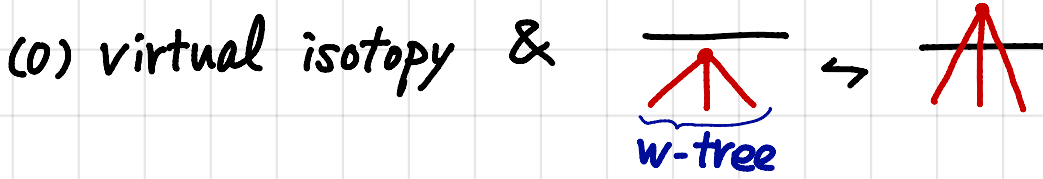
W : w-trees for V

(V, W) : w-tree pres. for D $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} D \sim V_W$

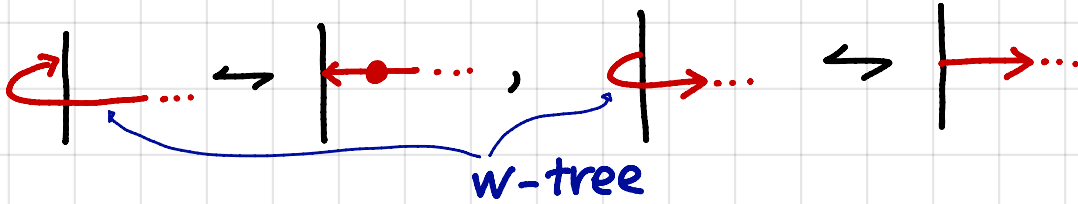
$(V, W) = (V', W') \stackrel{\text{def.}}{\iff} V_W \sim V'_{W'}$

Th 2

$(V, w) = (V', w')$ if they related by moves (0) ~ (8):



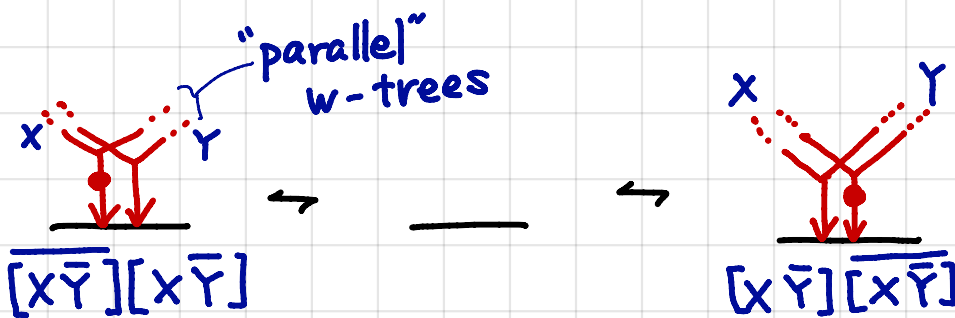
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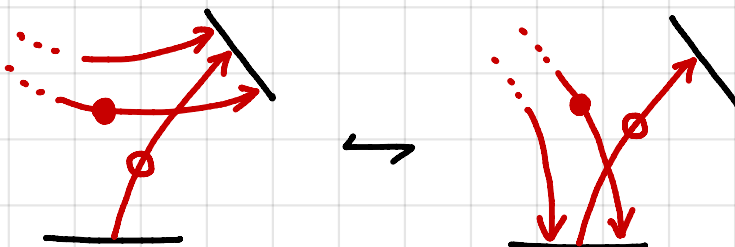
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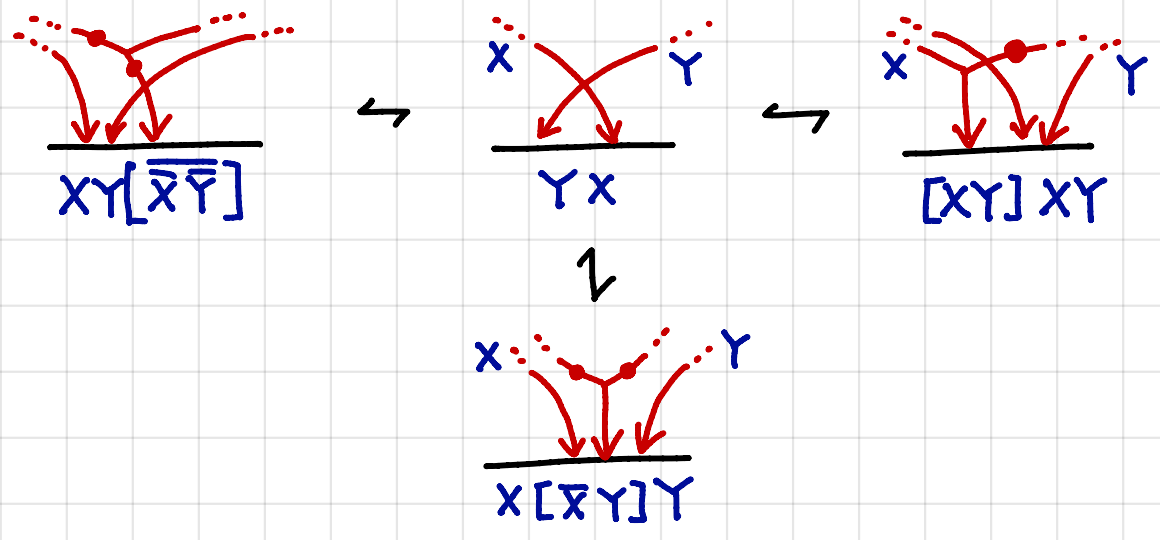
(3) (Inverse)



(4) (slide) (w-trees along w-arrow)

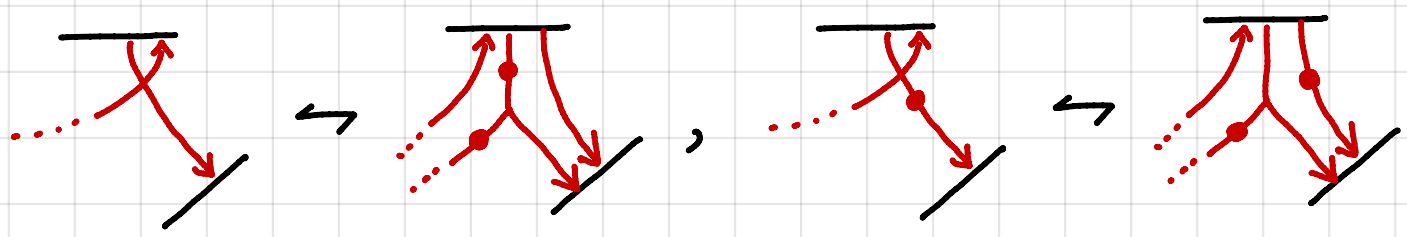


(5) (Head exchange)

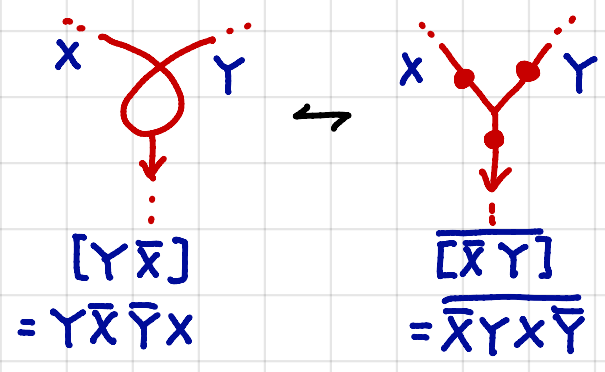


(6) (Head-Tail exchange)

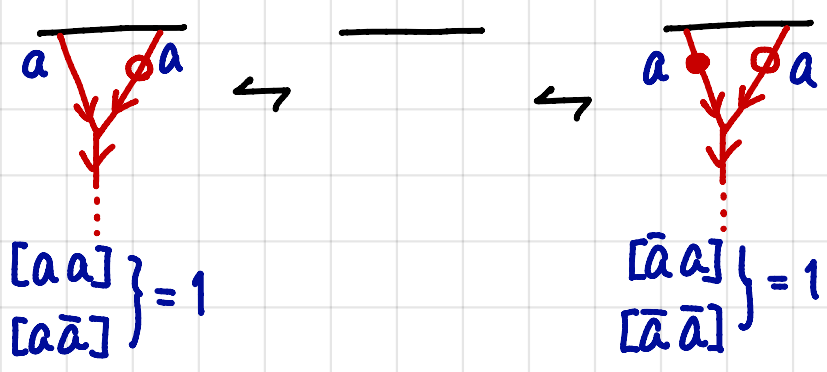
w-tree w-arrow



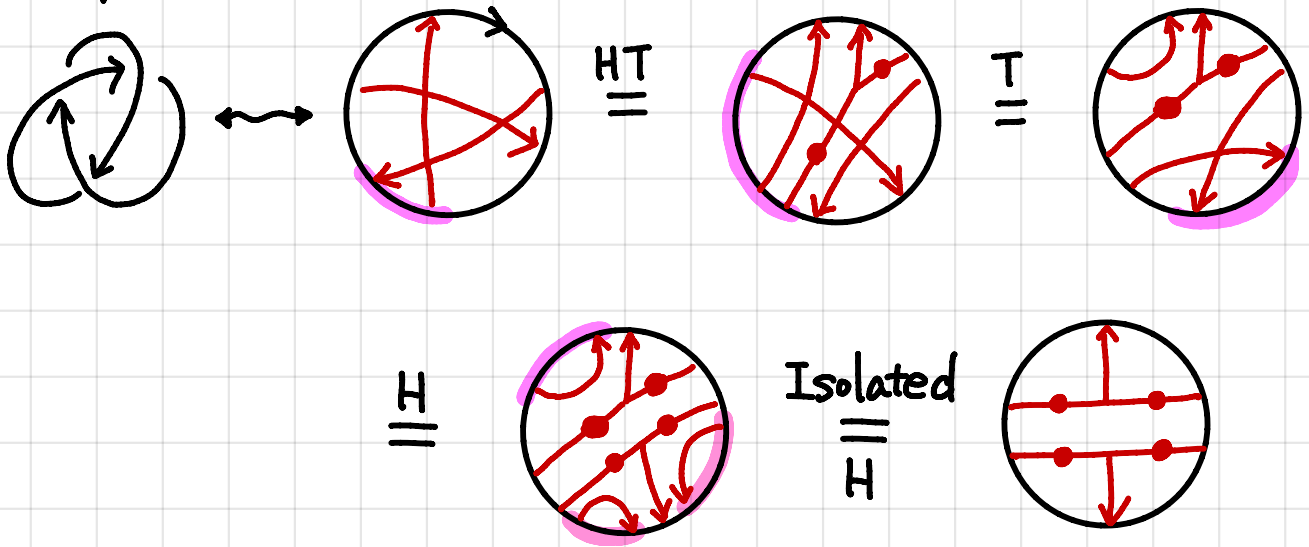
(7) (Antisymmetry)



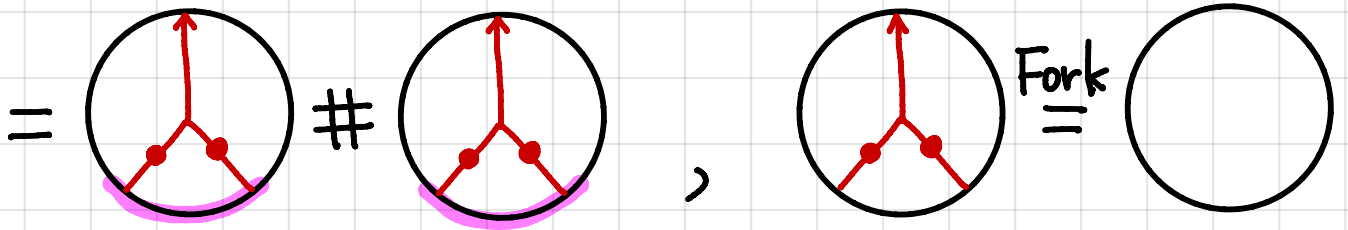
(8) (Fork)



Example



Note



trefoil (two bridge knot) = connected sum of trivial knots

§ W_k -equi (welded version of Habiro's C_k -equi.)

D, D' : (string) link diagrams

$D \stackrel{k}{\sim} D'$: W_k -equi

def. $\Leftrightarrow \exists D = D_0, D_1, \dots, D_m = D'$: seq. of diagrams

s.t. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} D_{i-1} \sim D_i, \text{ or} \\ D_{i-1} \xrightarrow[\text{w-tree of } \underline{\text{deg}} \geq k]{\text{surgery along}} D_i \end{array} \right.$

Rem

(1) $\stackrel{k+1}{\sim} \Rightarrow \stackrel{k}{\sim}$ (by def)

(2) $D \stackrel{k}{\sim} D' \Rightarrow \forall \varphi$: finite type inv of $\text{deg} \leq k-1$

$$\varphi(D) = \varphi(D')$$

(by Brunnian property)

Prop 3

{ welded string links } / \cong : finitely generated group

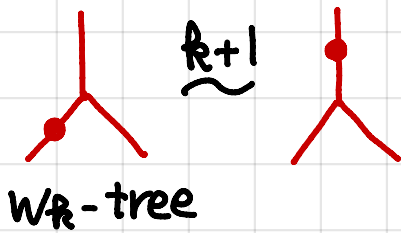
Rem.

(1) { welded links } / \cong = { [trivial link] }

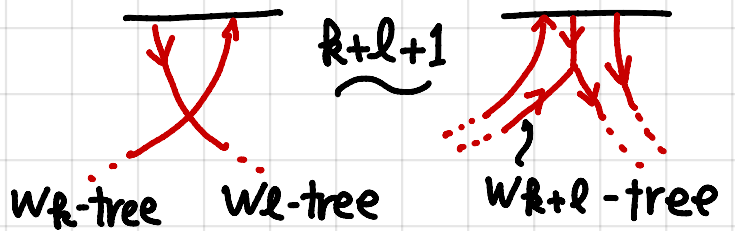
(2) { welded n-comp. links } / \cong
= free abelian group of rank $n(n-1)$

Th 4

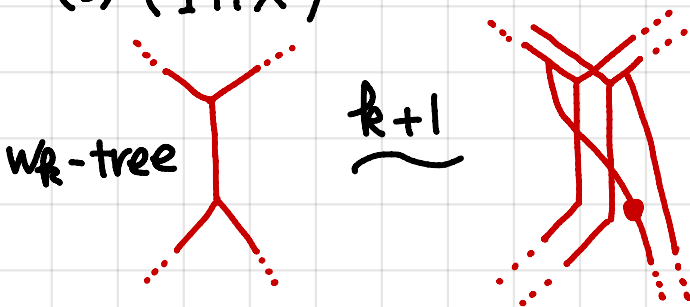
(1) (twist)



(2) (Head-Tail exchange)



(3) (IHX)



Th 5

\forall welded knot $\underset{\cong}{\approx} \bigcirc$ (for $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$)

$\rightsquigarrow \nexists$ nontrivial finite type welded knot inv.

Th 6

K, K' : welded string knots, (1)~(3) are equivalent

(1) $K \underset{\cong}{\approx} K'$

(2) $\forall \varphi$: finite type inv. of $\text{deg} \leq k-1$, $\varphi(K) = \varphi(K')$

(3) $\alpha_\ell(K) = \alpha_\ell(K')$ for $2 \leq \forall \ell \leq k-1$

where α_ℓ : coef of $(x-1)^\ell$ in the Taylor exp.
of the normalized Alex poly
(Habiro-Kanenobu-Shima '99)

Cor 7

{ welded string knots } / $\underset{\cong}{\approx}$: free abelian group of rank $k-2$

(For $k=1,2$, this group is trivial)

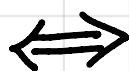
Rem. By using Yajima-Satoh's tube map,
Th 6 induce

(1) (Habiro-Shima '01)

Finite type inv. of ribbon 2-knots are
determined by the Alex. poly

(2) (Watanabe '06)

ribbon 2-knots are RC_k-equiv.



their finite type inv. of deg ≤ k-1 coincide

