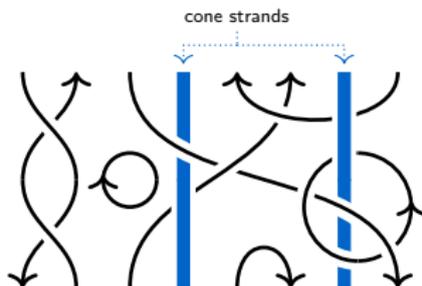


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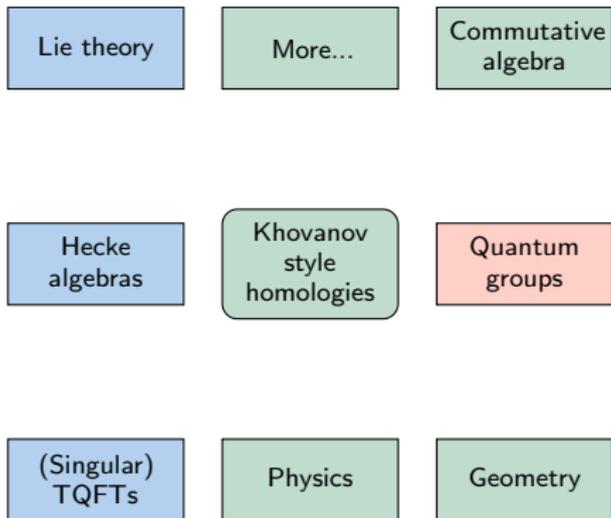
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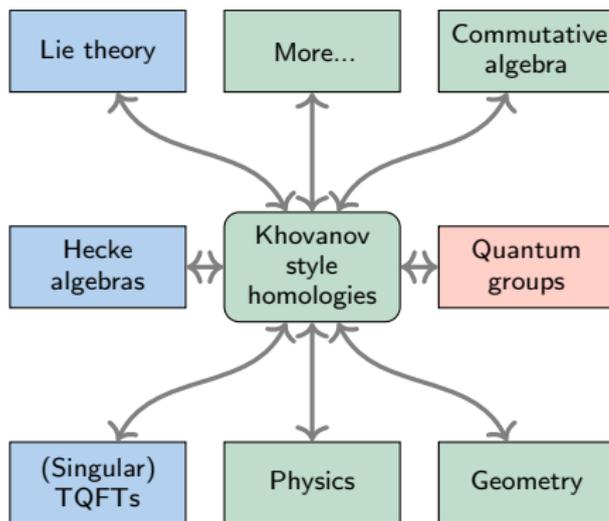
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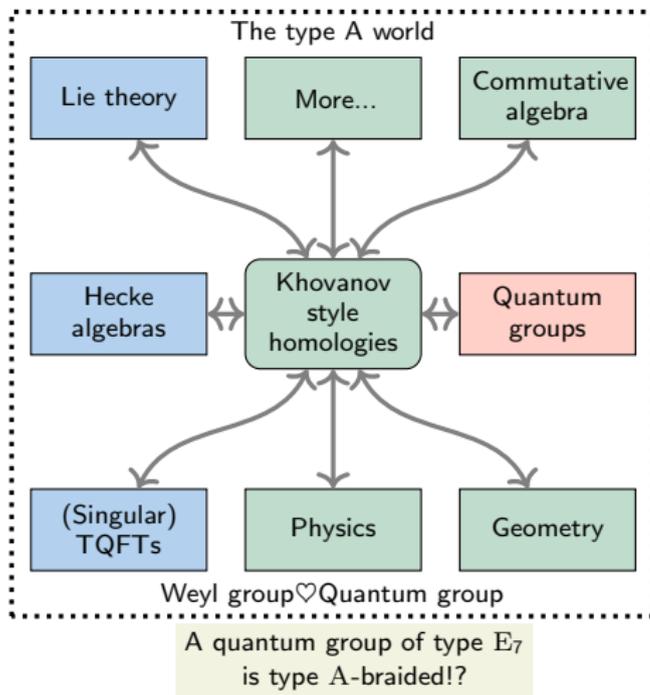
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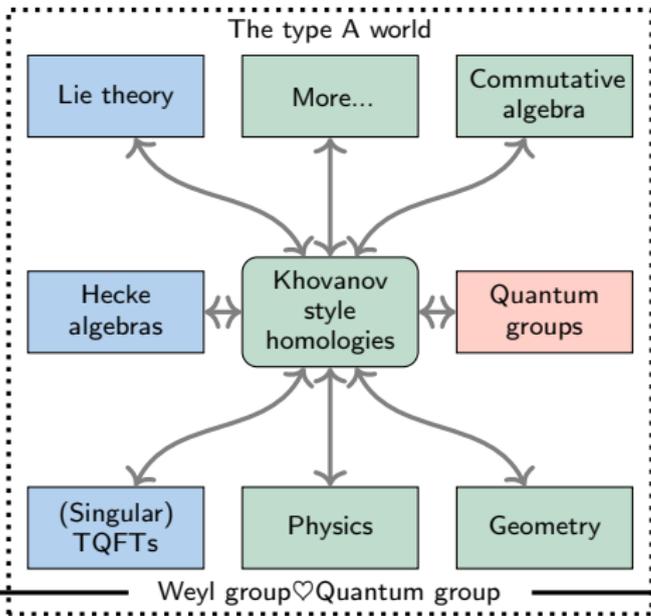
My beloved gadget  
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Outside of type A

The type A world



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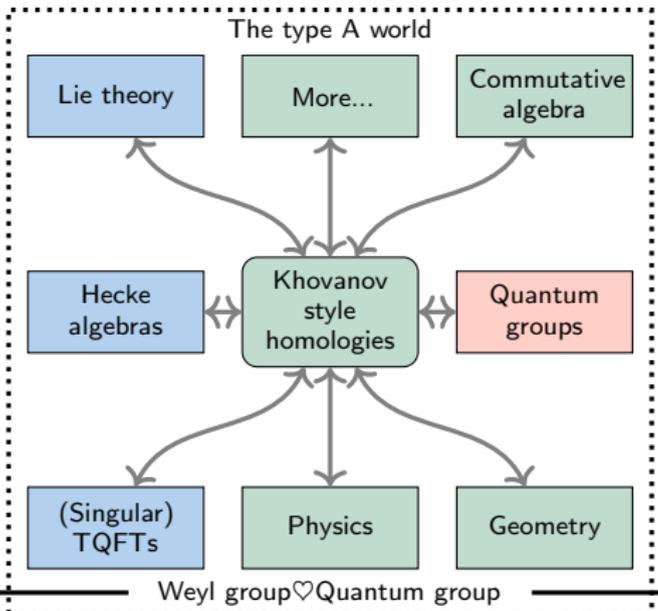
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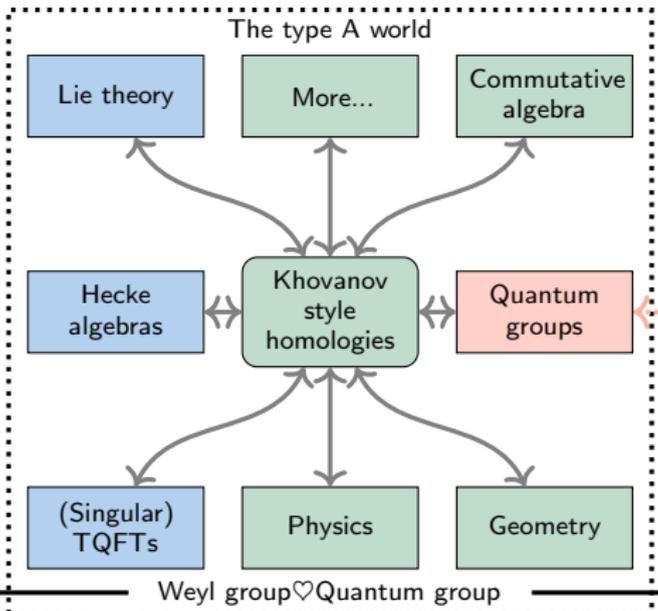
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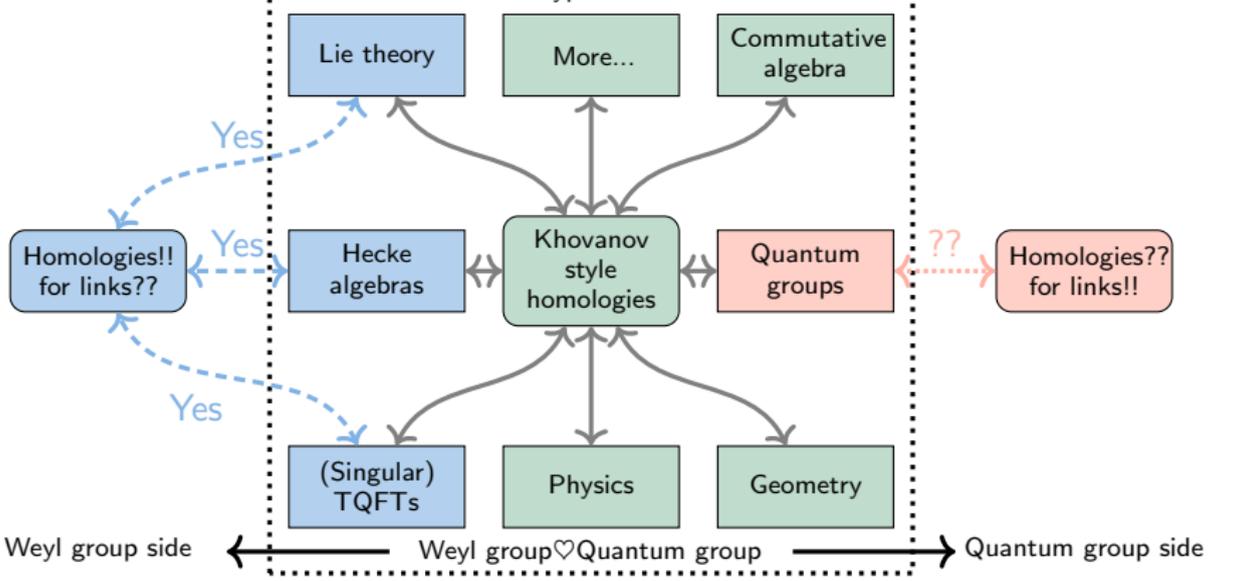
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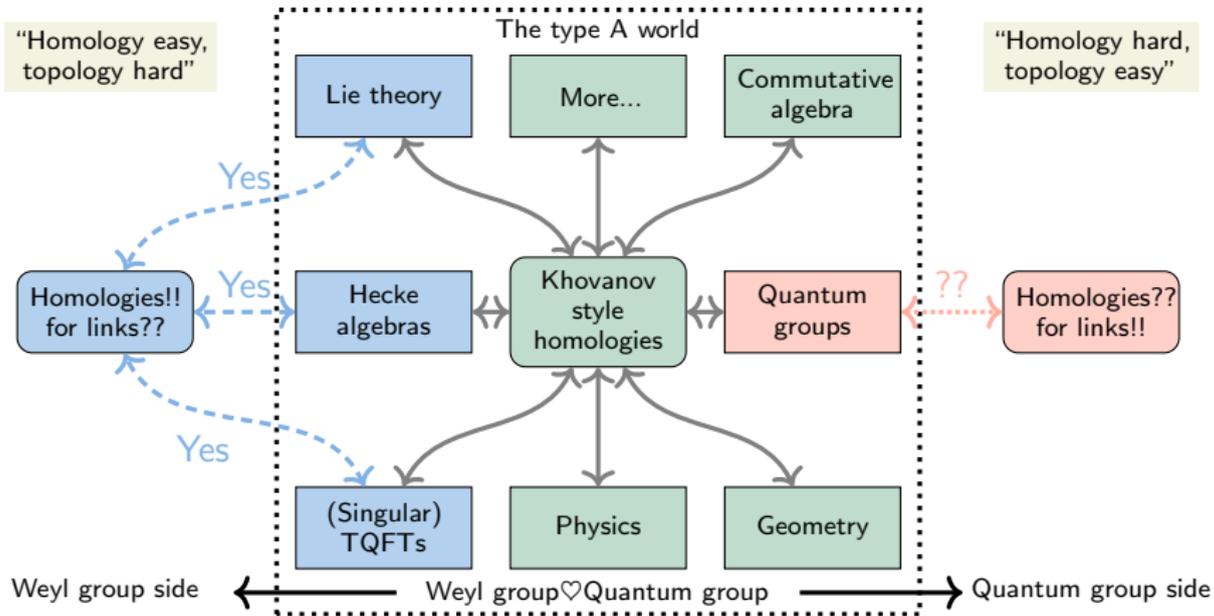
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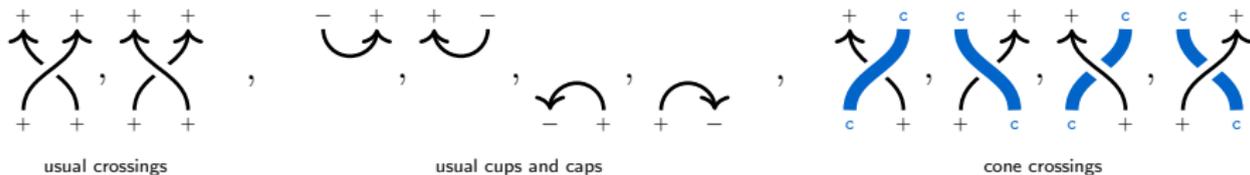
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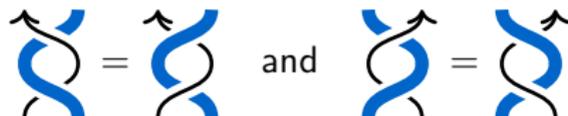
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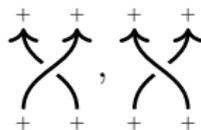
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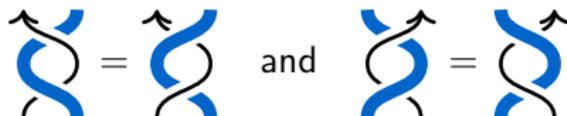
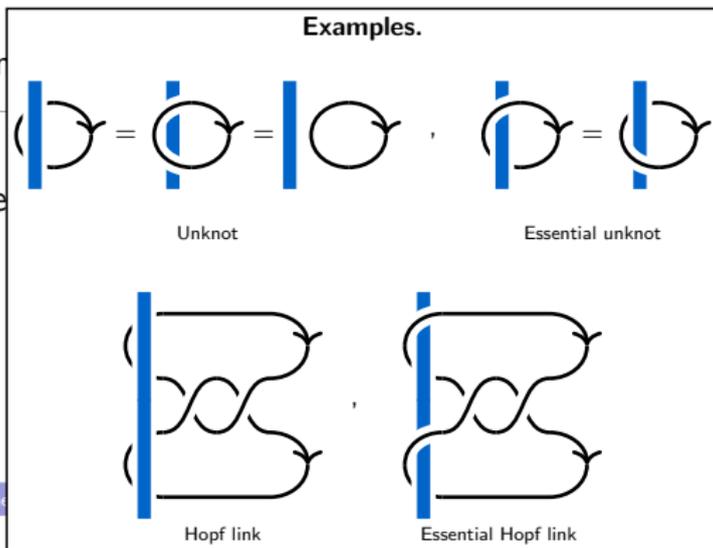
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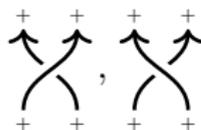
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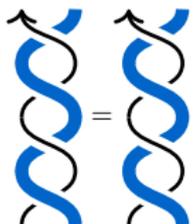


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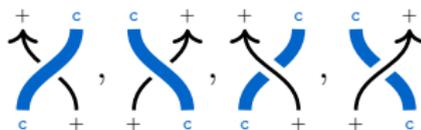


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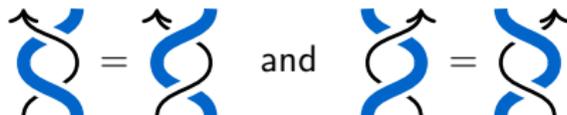


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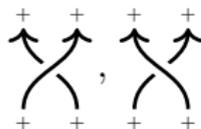
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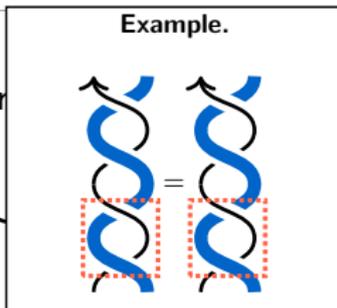
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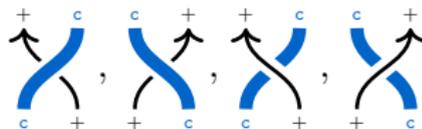
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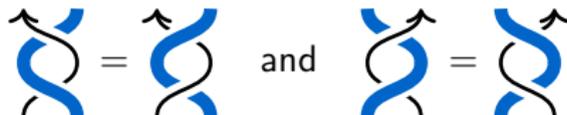


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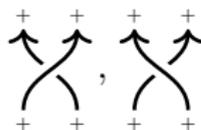
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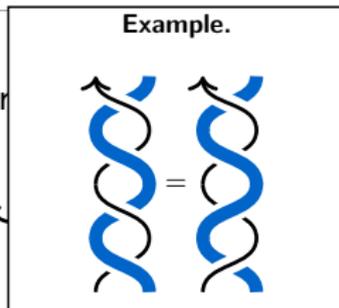
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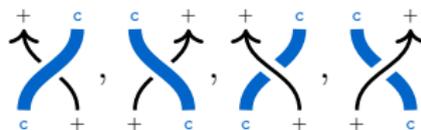
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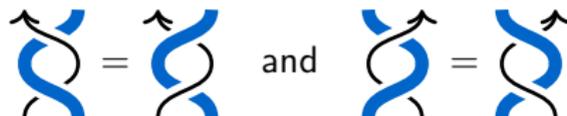


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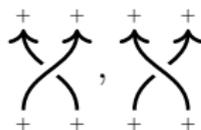
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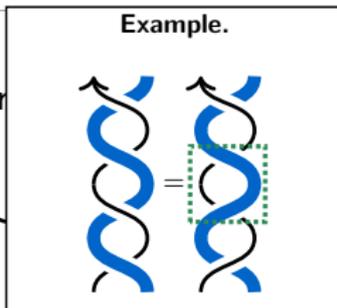
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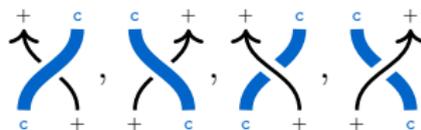
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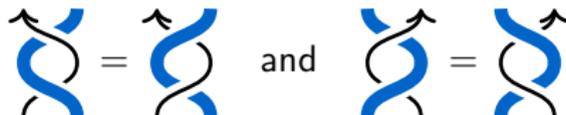


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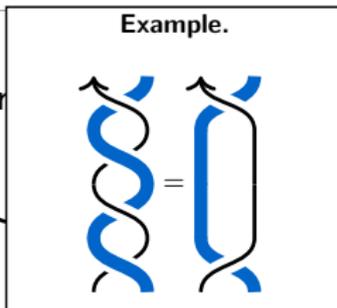
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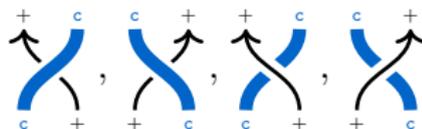
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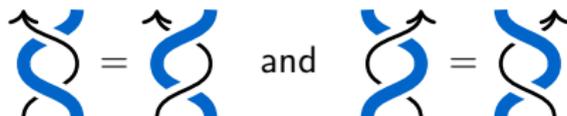


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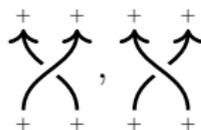
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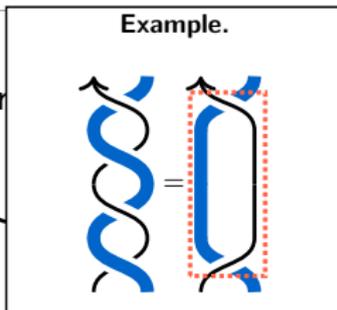
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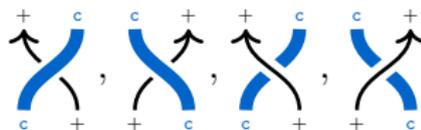
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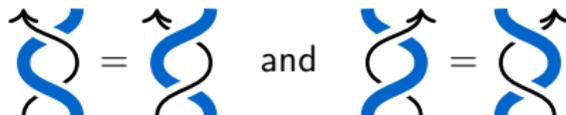


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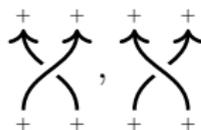
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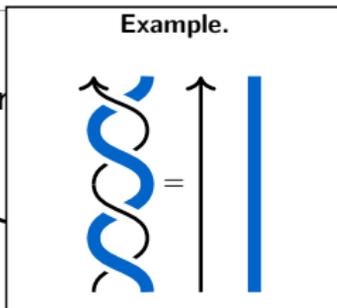
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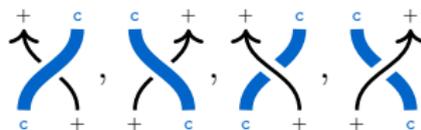
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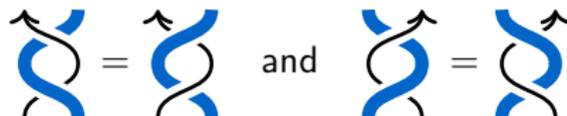


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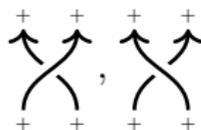
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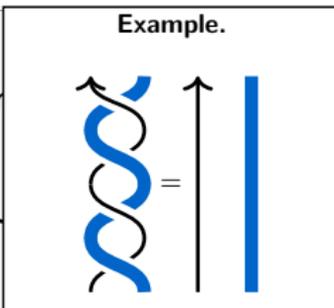
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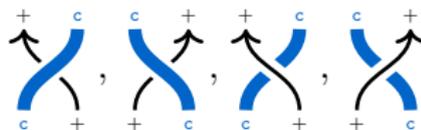
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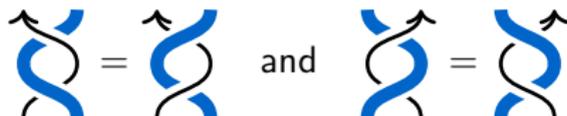
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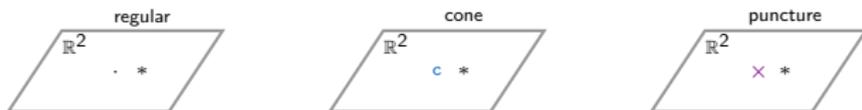
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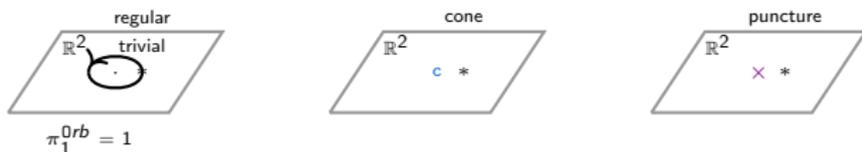
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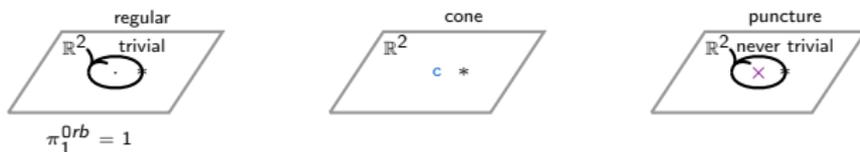
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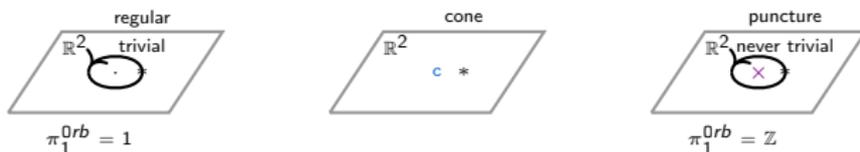
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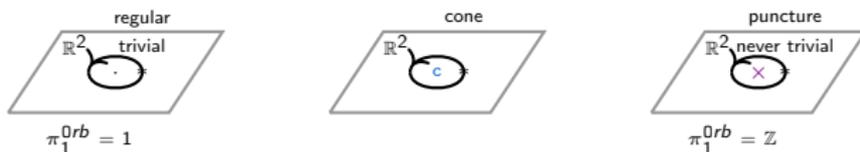
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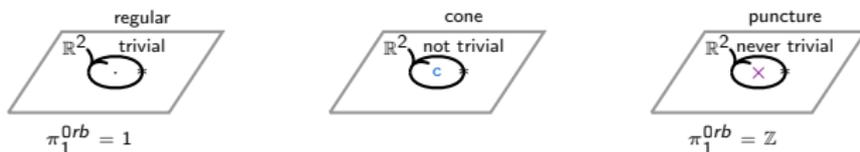
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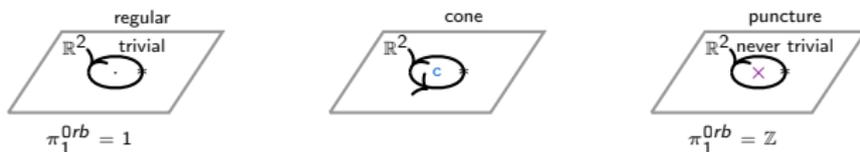


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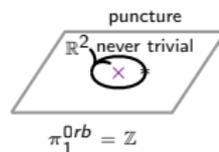
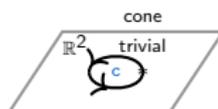
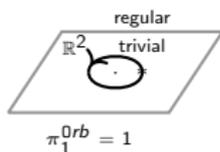
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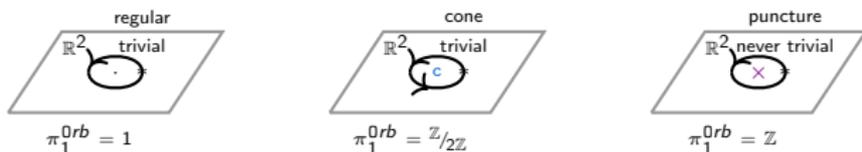
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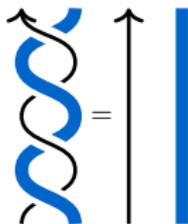
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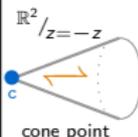
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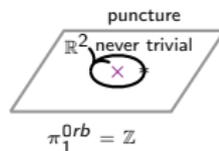
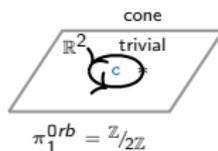
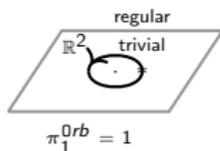
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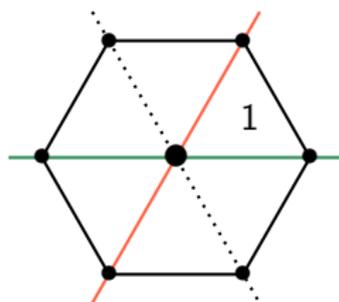
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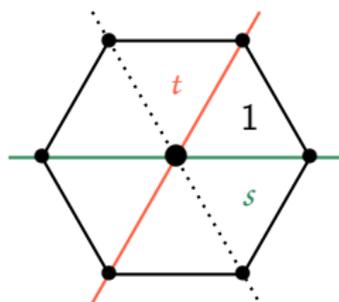


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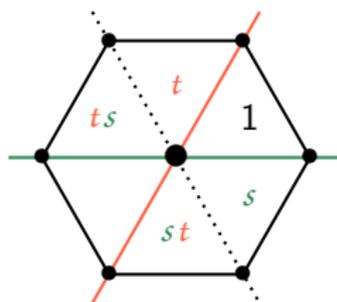


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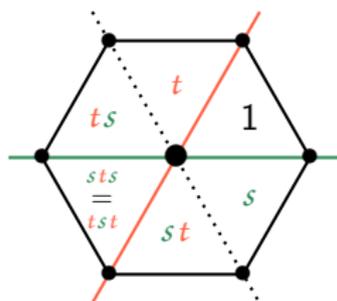
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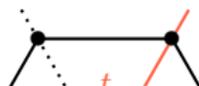
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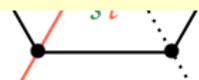
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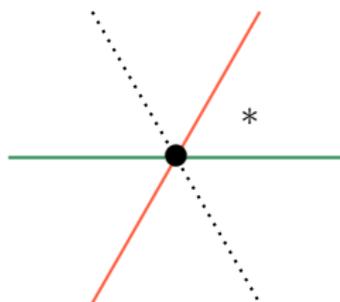
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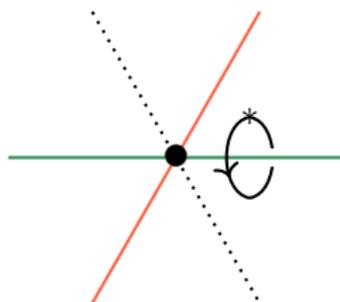
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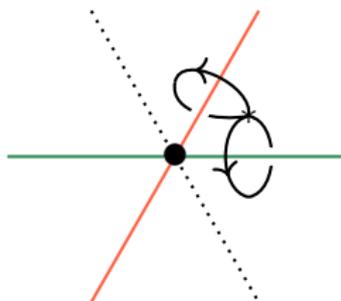
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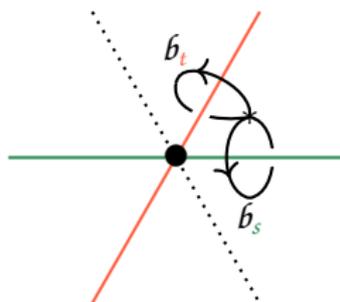
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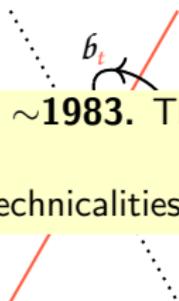
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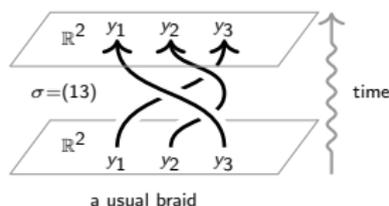
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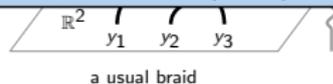
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|------------------|------|-------------|-----|-------------|-------------|---|-------------|
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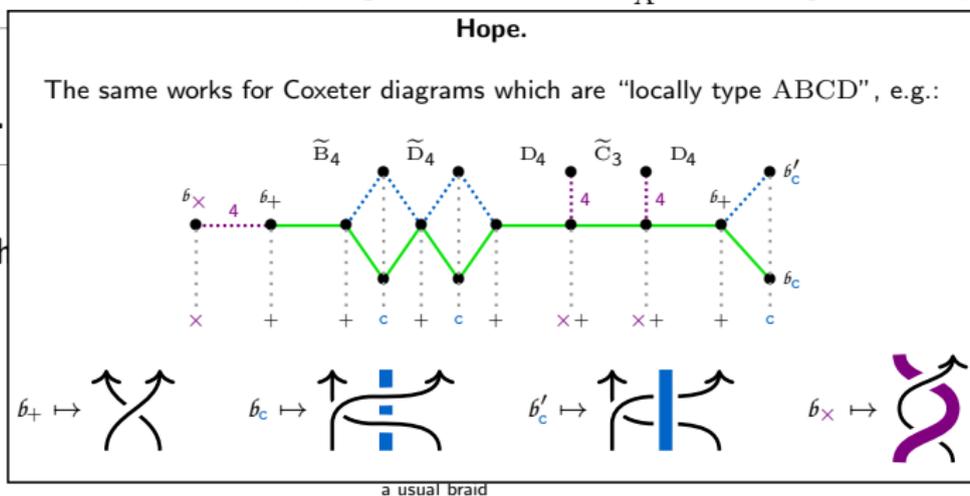
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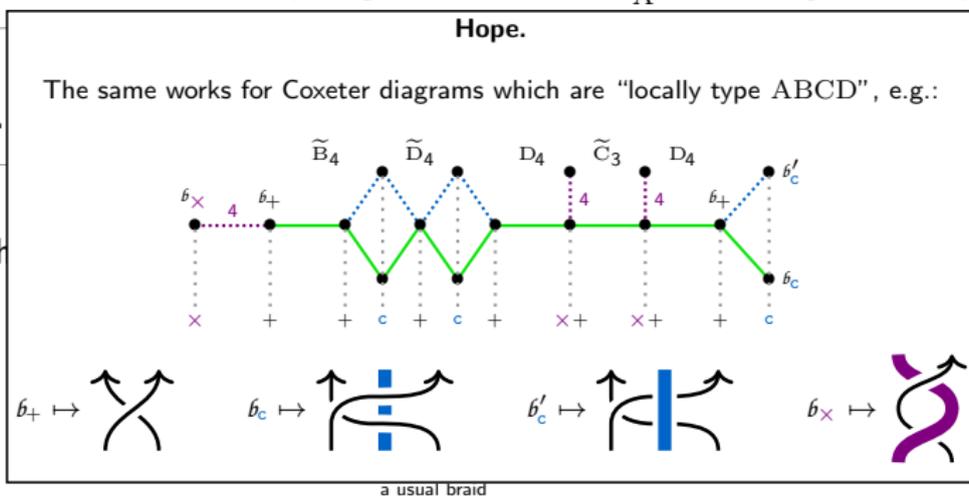
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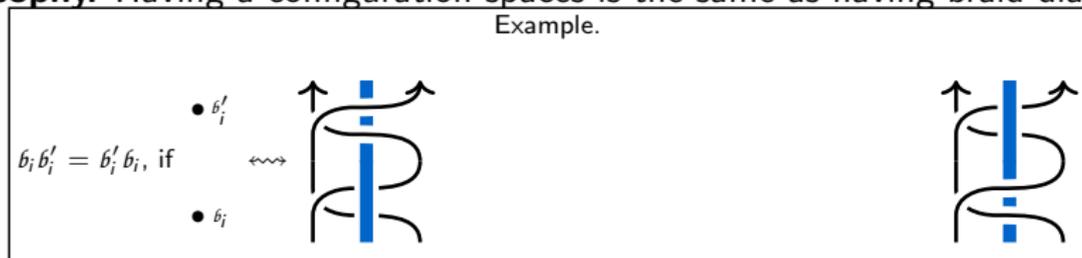
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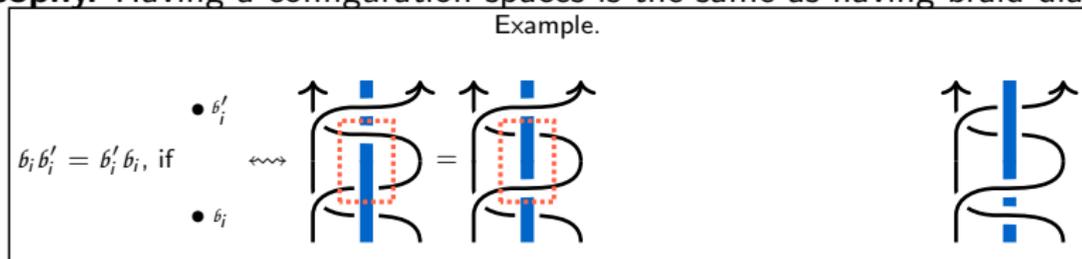
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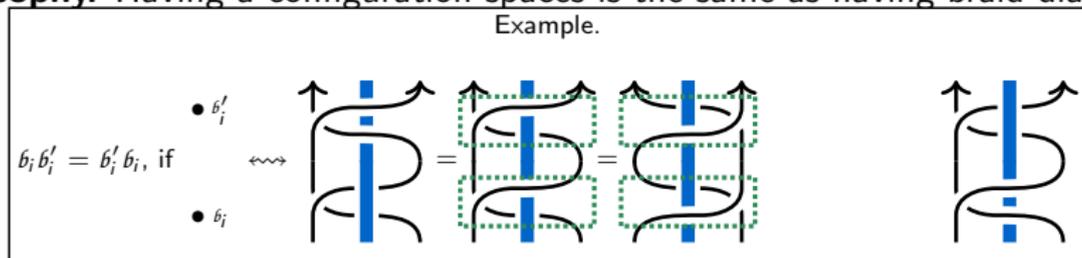
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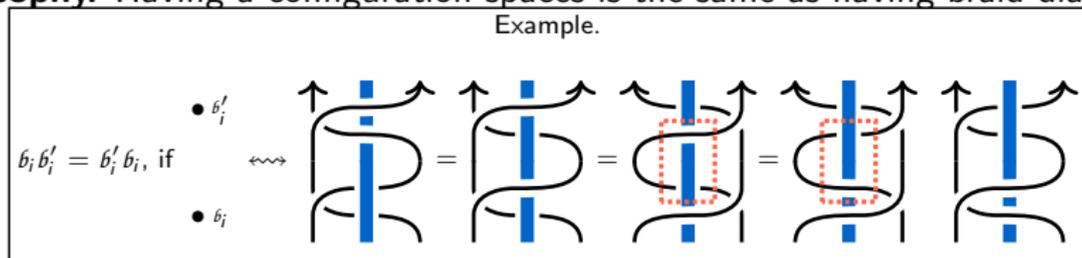
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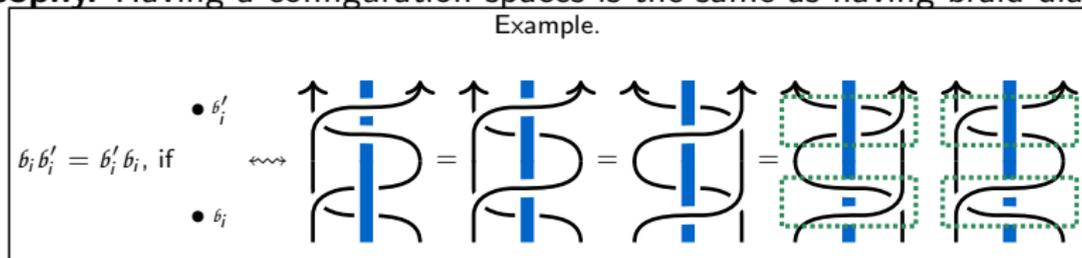
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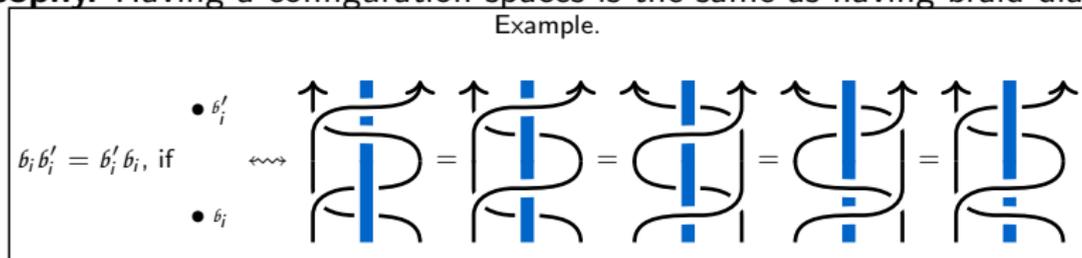
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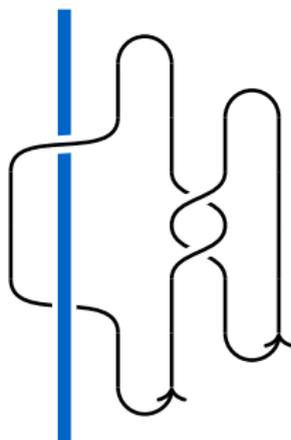
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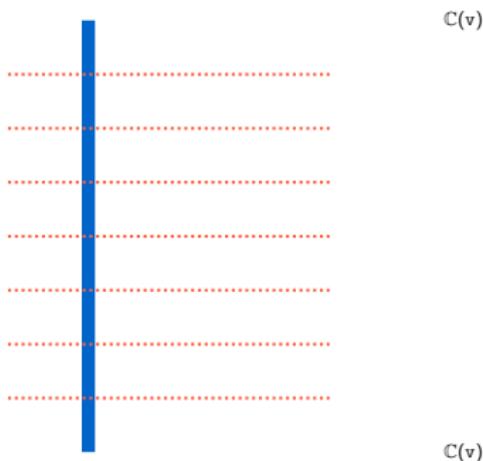
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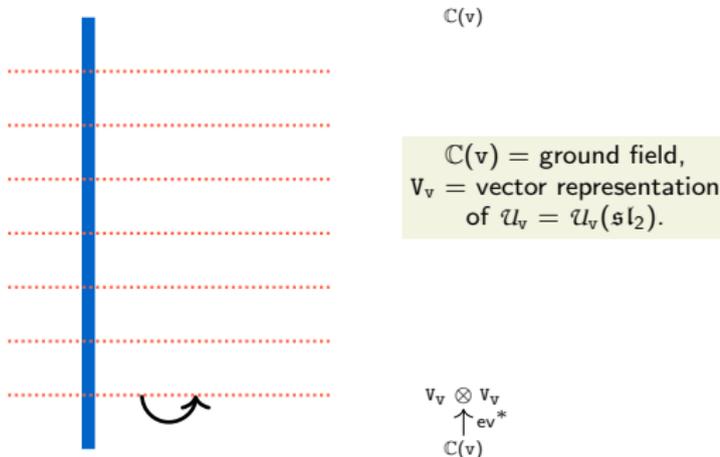
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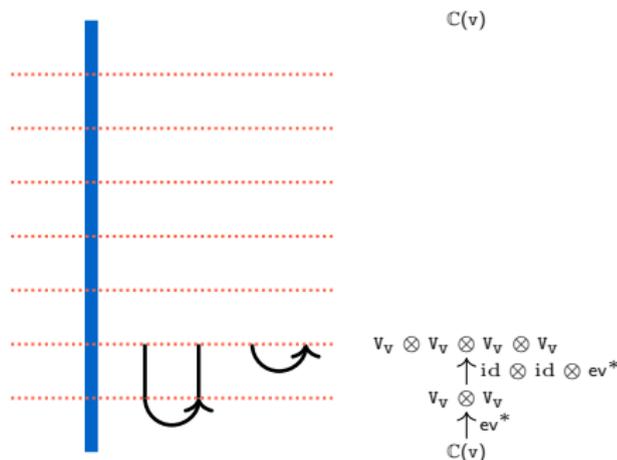
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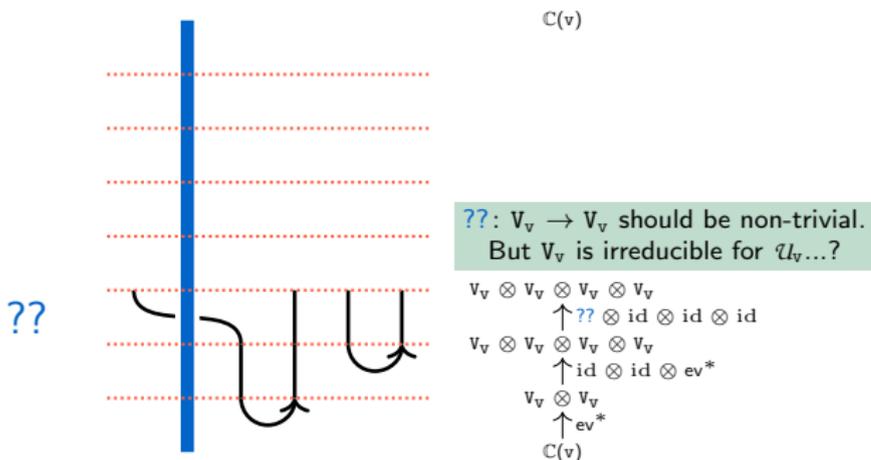
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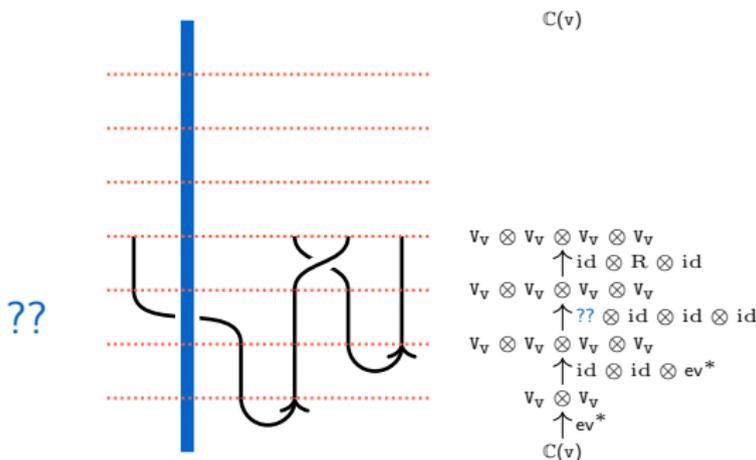
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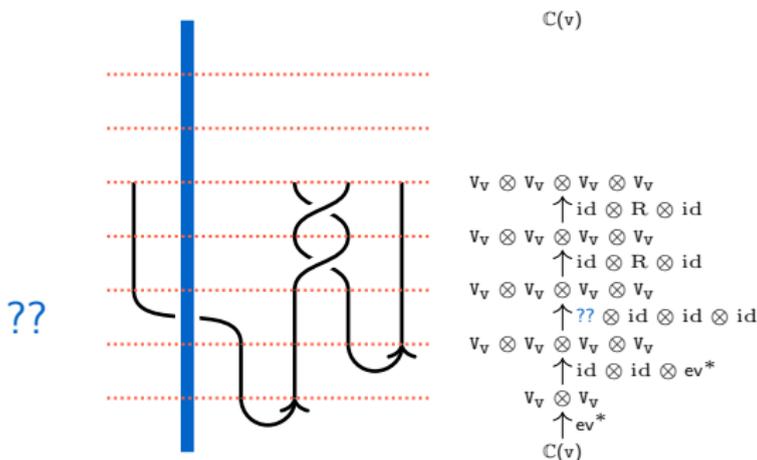
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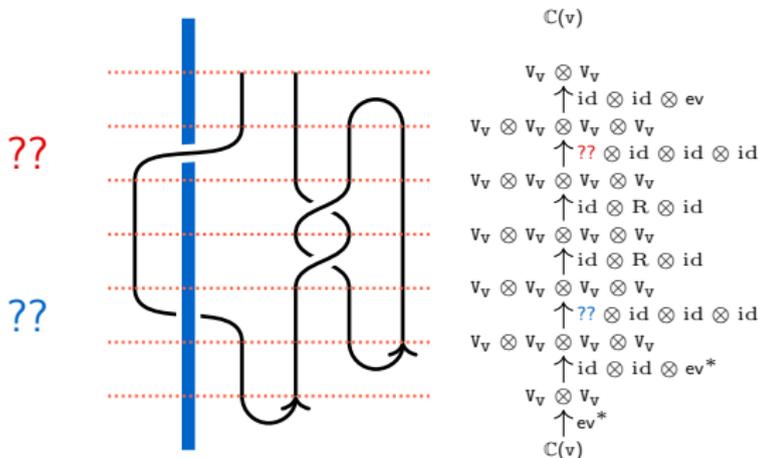
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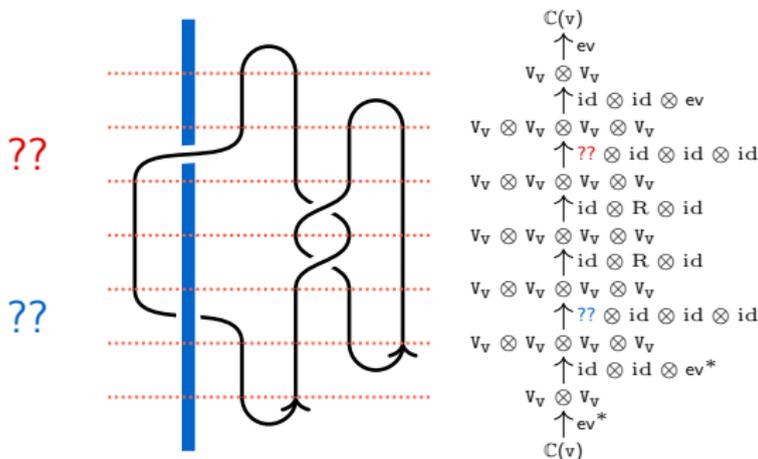
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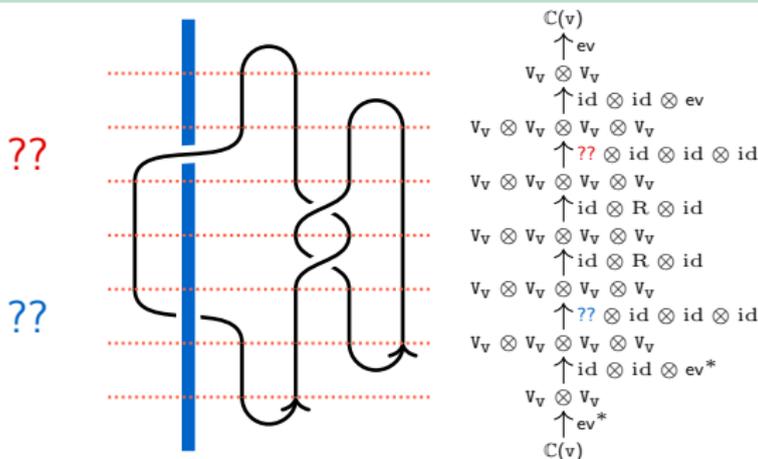
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**Orbifold-philosophy.** We need something half-way in between  $\mathbb{C}(v)$  and  $\mathcal{U}_V$ .



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**Fact.**  $\mathcal{U}_v$  is a Hopf algebra  $\Rightarrow$  We can tensor representations.

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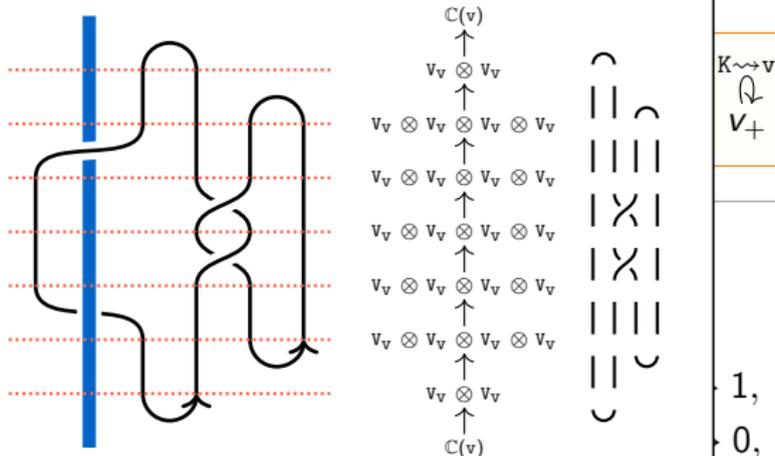
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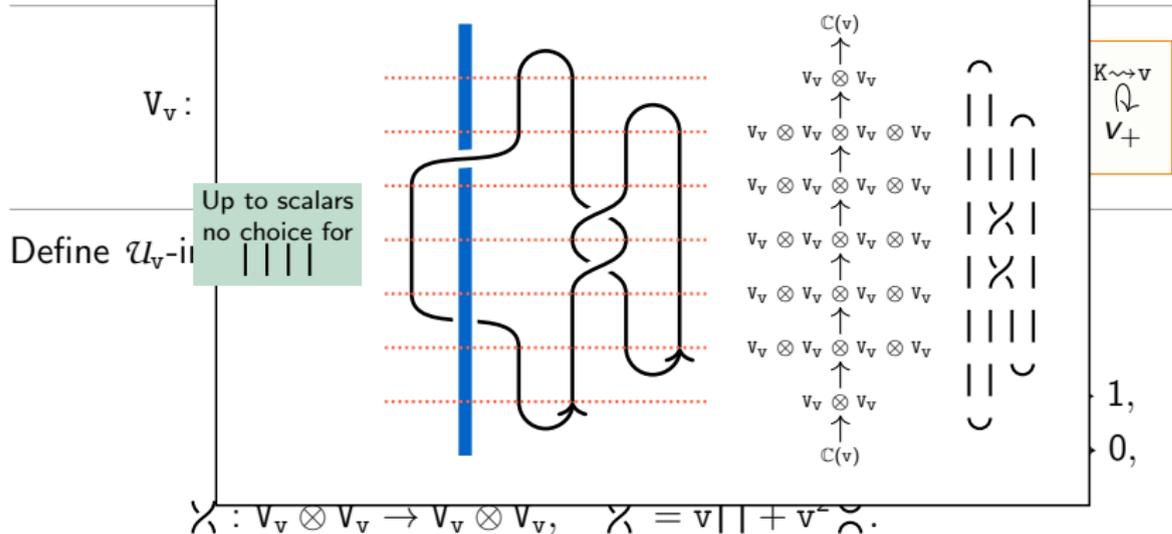


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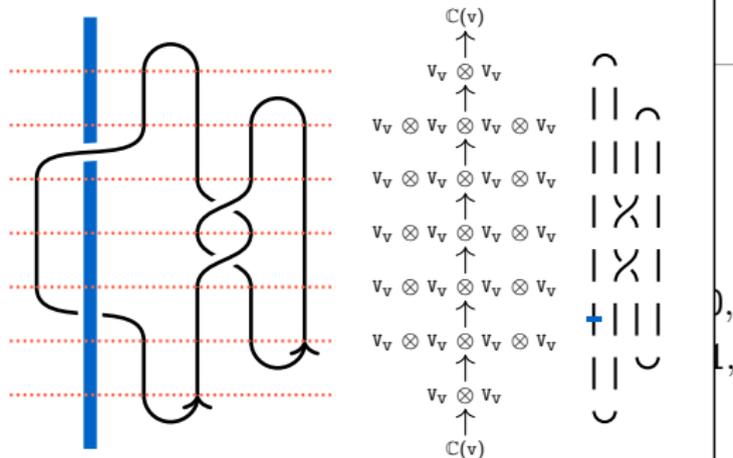
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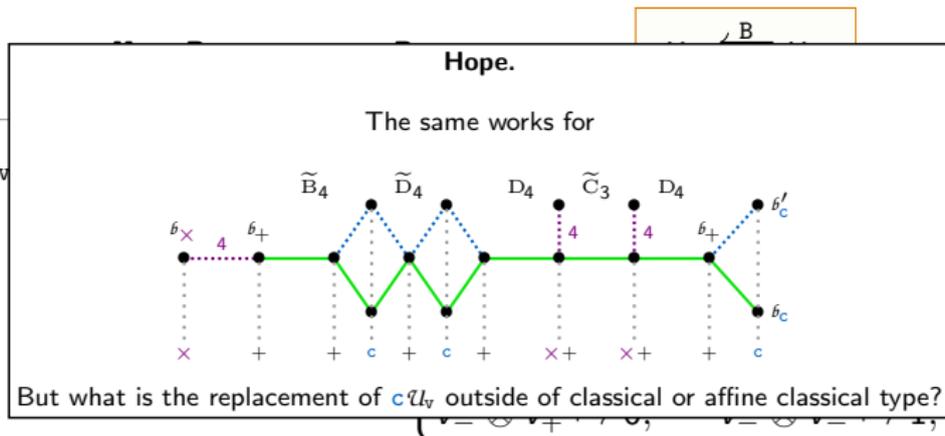
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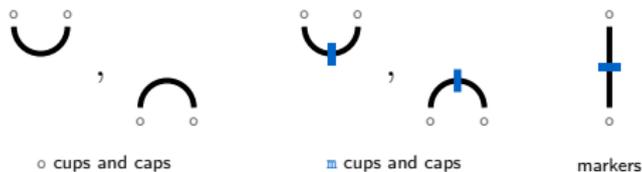
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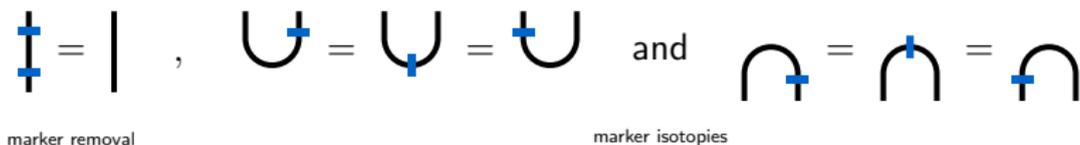
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A technicality:  $q = -v$ .  $\bigcirc = q + q^{-1}$  ,  $\bigcirc_{\mathfrak{m}} = 0 = \bigcirc_{\mathfrak{m}}$

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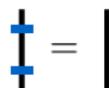
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The  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ -skein relations.

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**Theorem.** This is a  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ -tangle invariant.

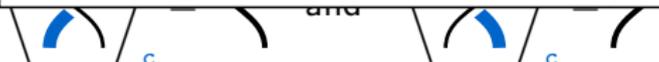
**Proof.** Check relations, e.g.:

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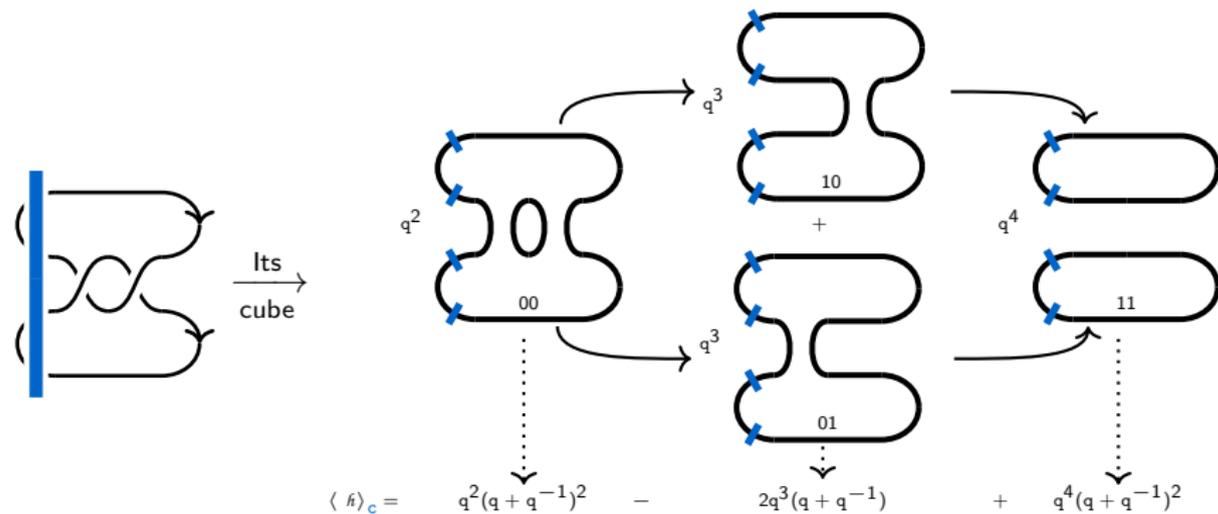
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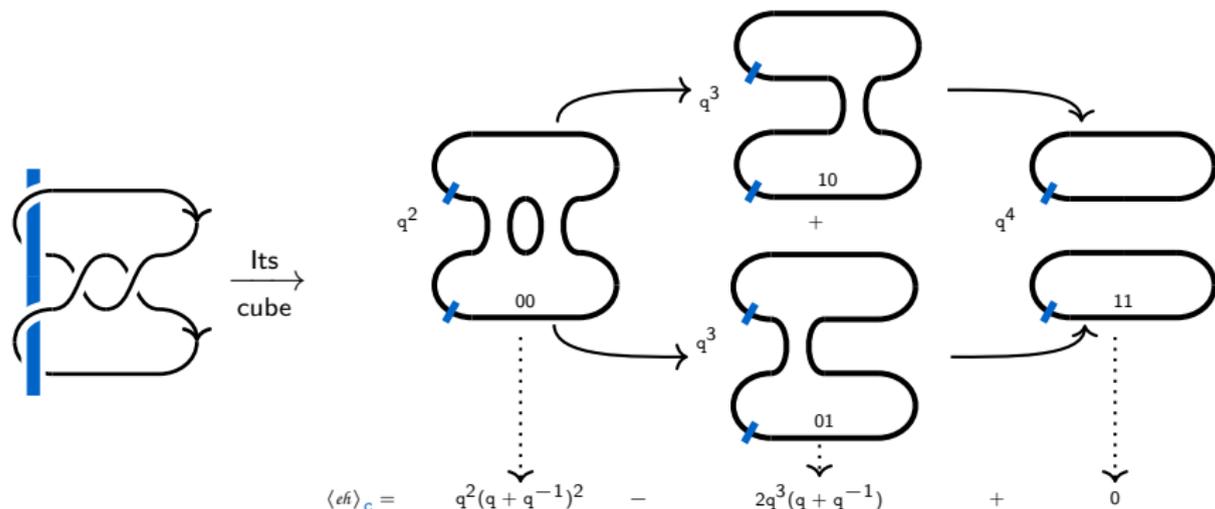
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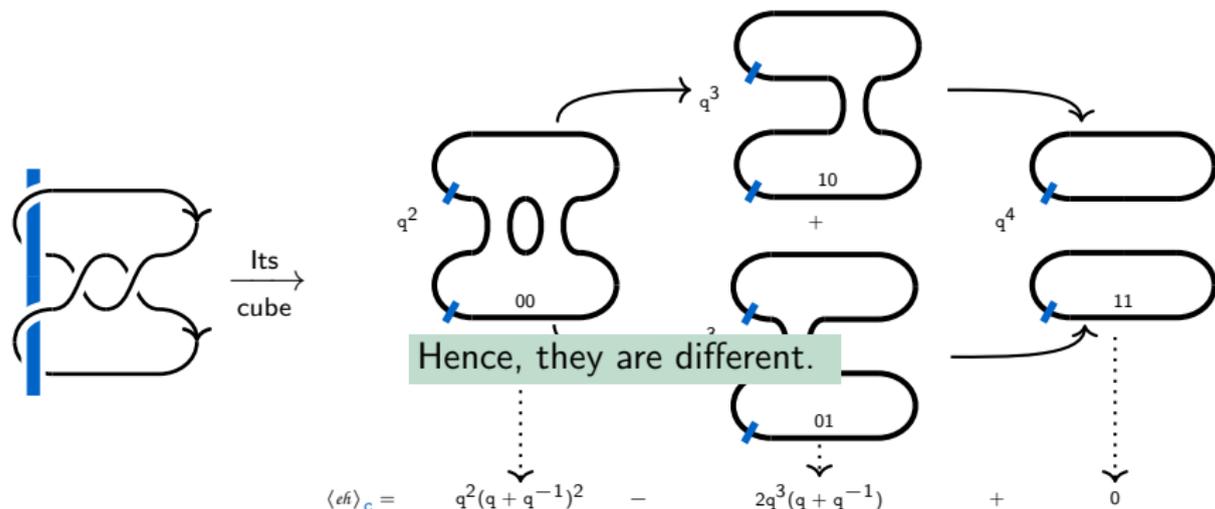
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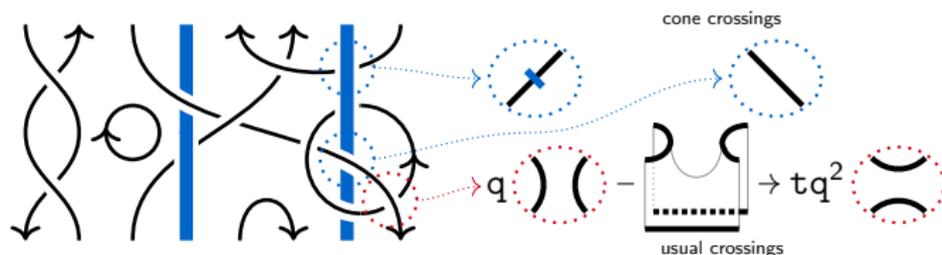
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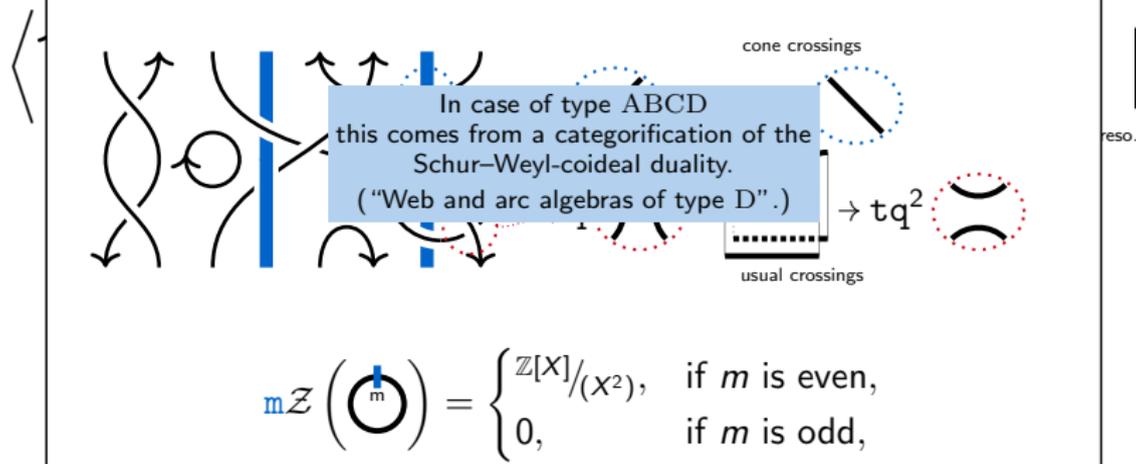
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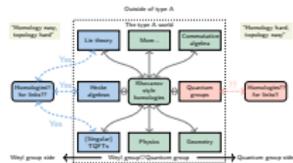
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**A homological invariant à la Khovanov & Rozansky.**  
 Everything generalizes to higher ranks.  
 (“Webs”, “foams”, etc.)

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### Configuration spaces

Artin –1925. There is a topological model of  $\mathcal{A}r_n$  via configuration spaces.

Example. Take  $Conf_n = (\mathbb{R}^2)^n \setminus \text{fat diagonal}$ . Then  $\pi_1(Conf_n) \cong \mathcal{A}r_n$ .

Philosophy. Having a configuration space is the same as having braid diagrams:

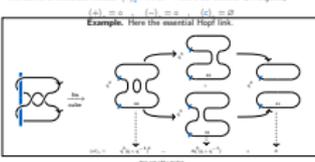


Crucial. Note that – by explicitly calculating the – one can directly check that: “Hyperplane picture equals configuration space picture.”

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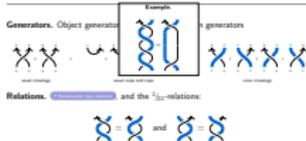
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### Tangle diagrams with cone strands

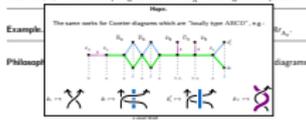
Let  $\mathcal{C} \mathcal{A}r_n$  be the monoidal category defined as follows.



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### Configuration spaces

Artin –1925. There is a topological model of  $\mathcal{A}r_n$  via configuration spaces.



Crucial. Note that – by explicitly calculating the – one can directly check that: “Hyperplane picture equals configuration space picture.”

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A version of Schur’s remarkable duality.

$$\mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{sl}_n) \otimes \mathbb{V}_\lambda \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{V}_\mu \otimes \mathcal{S}_\ell(\Lambda)$$

$$\cong \mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{sl}_n) \otimes \mathbb{V}_\lambda \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{V}_\mu \otimes \mathcal{S}_\ell(\mathbb{D})^{\otimes m}$$

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There is still much to do...

### I follow hyperplanes

$W_n = \langle s_1, \dots, s_{n-1} \rangle$  acts faithfully on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  by reflecting in hyperplanes (for each reflection).



$W_n$  acts freely on  $\mathbb{R}^n = \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2$  hyperplanes. Set  $\mathcal{H}_n = \mathbb{R}^n / W_n$ .

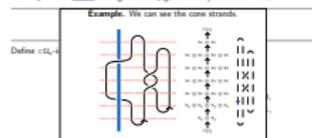
Complicating the action:  $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2, \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then:

$$\pi_1(\mathcal{H}_n) \cong \mathcal{A}r_n = \langle s, \beta \mid \beta s \beta = s \beta s \rangle$$

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### Half-way in between trivial $\mathbb{C} \subset \mathbb{C} \subset \mathbb{C} \subset \mathbb{C}$ – part II

Let  $\mathcal{C} \mathcal{A}r_n$  be the subalgebra of  $\mathcal{U}(\mathfrak{sl}_n)$  generated by  $\mathbb{B} = \mathbb{V}^{\otimes m} \otimes \mathbb{X}^{-1} + \mathbb{X}$ .

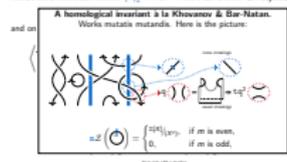


Aside. This drops out of a version of Schur-Weyl duality.

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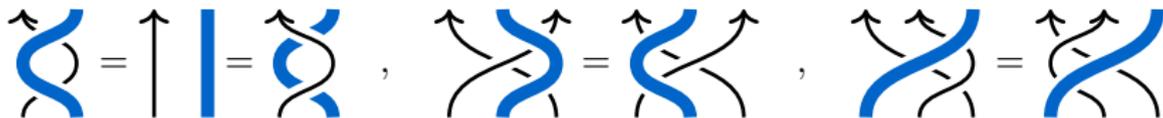
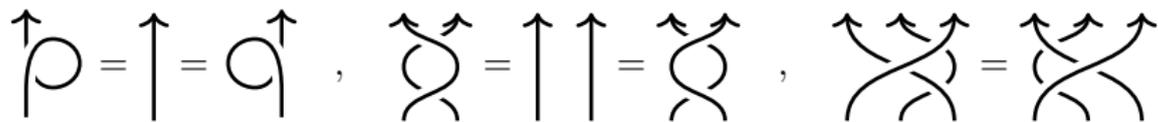
### A polynomial invariant à la Jones & Kauffman

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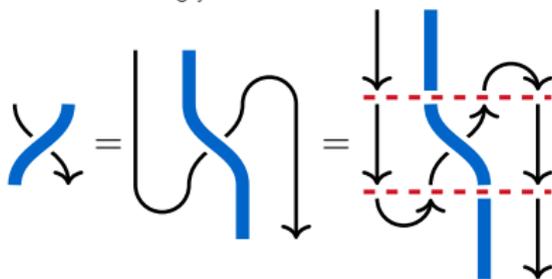


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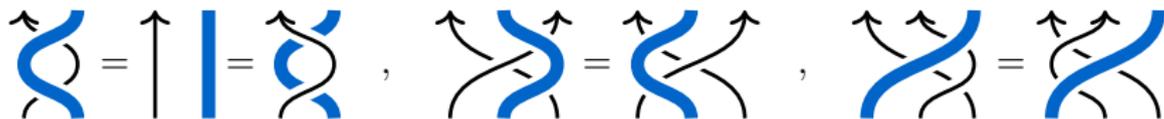
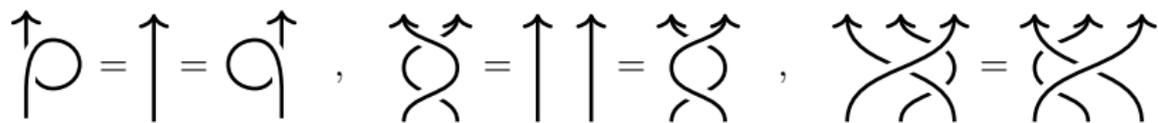


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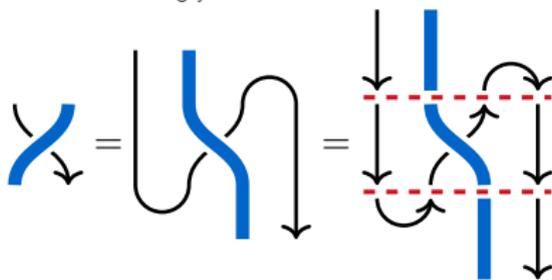
$\in \text{Hom}_{cTan}(c-, -c)$

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I see them as diagrams – no topological interpretation intended at the moment.

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Quote by Thurston about the name orbifold:

“This terminology should not be blamed on me. It was obtained by a democratic process in my course of 1976-77. An orbifold is something with many folds; unfortunately, the word ‘manifold’ already has a different definition. I tried ‘foldamani’, which was quickly displaced by the suggestion of ‘manifolded’. After two months of patiently saying ‘no, not a manifold, a manifold**dead**,’ we held a vote, and ‘orbifold’ won.”

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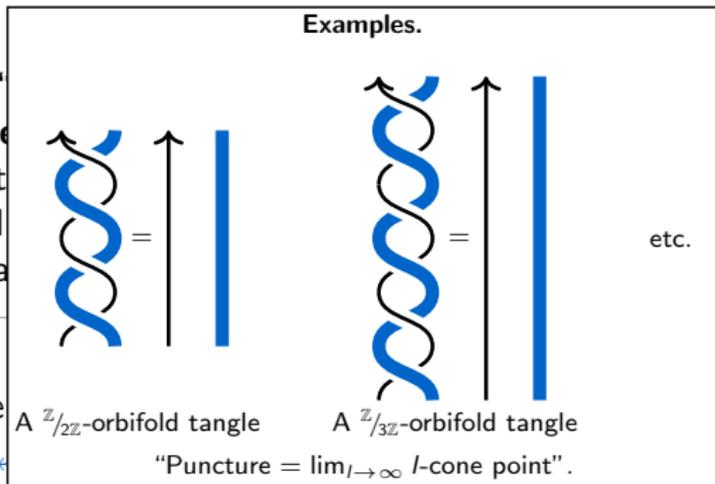
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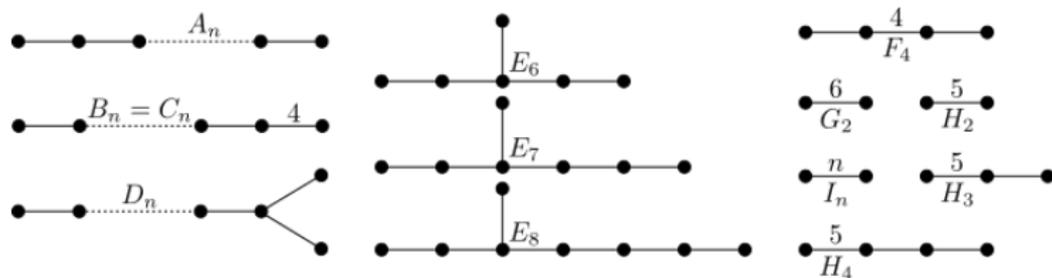
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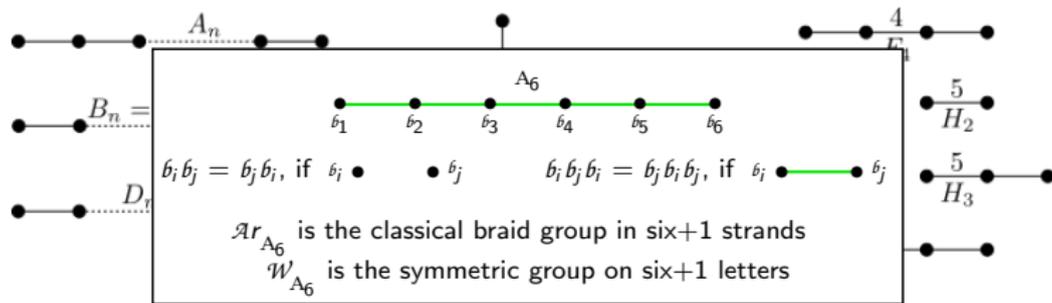
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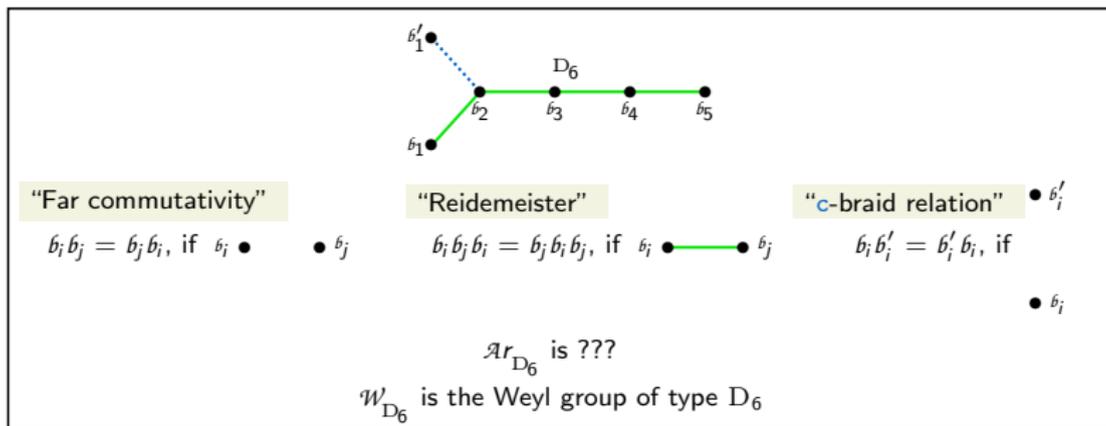
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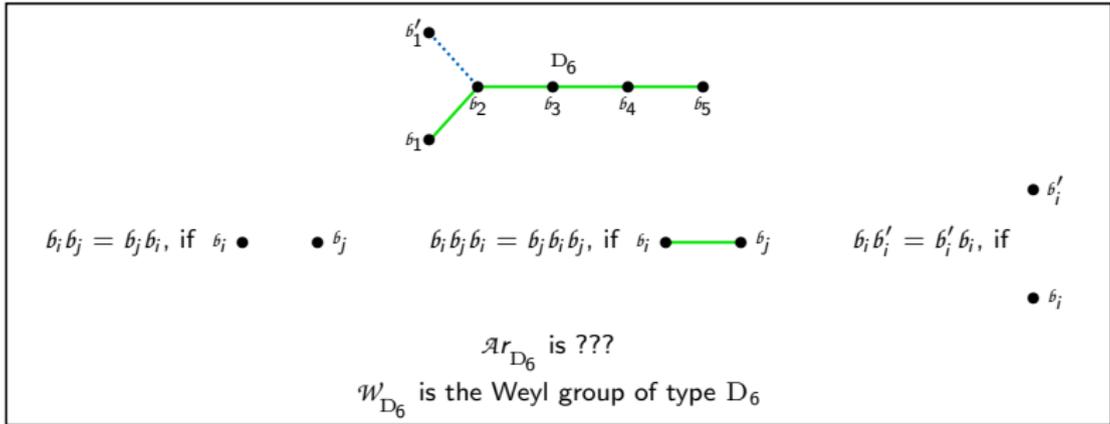
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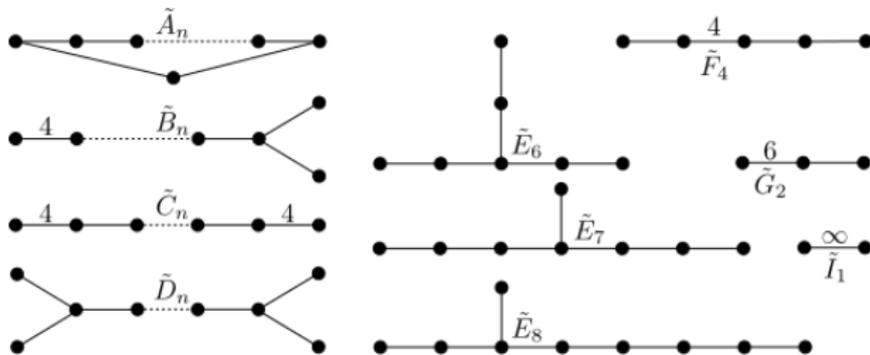
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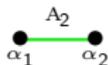


**Figure:** The Coxeter graphs of affine type.

**Example.** The type  $\tilde{A}_n$  corresponds to the affine Weyl group for  $\mathfrak{sl}_n$ .

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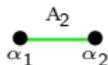
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| reflection action   | $x_1 \leftrightarrow x_2$ | $x_2 \leftrightarrow x_3$ | $x_1 \leftrightarrow x_3$          |
| $\perp$ -hyperplane | $\{(x, x, 0)\}$           | $\{(0, y, y)\}$           | $\{(z, 0, z)\}$                    |

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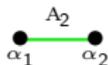
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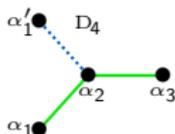
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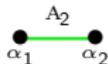
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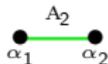
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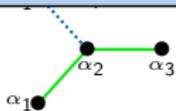
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Similarly in (affine) types ABCD.



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$$\mathfrak{gl}_1 \hookrightarrow \mathfrak{sl}_2, (t) \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} 0 & t \\ t & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

which does not quantize properly...

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## A version of Schur's remarkable duality.

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Plain old  $\mathfrak{sl}_2$ :  
Acts by matrices.

The symmetric group:  
Acts by permutation.

$$\mathcal{U}_1(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \curvearrowright \underbrace{V_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes V_1}_{d \text{ times}} \curvearrowright \mathcal{H}_1(A)$$

**Schur ~1901.** The natural actions of  $\mathcal{U}_1(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  and  $\mathcal{H}_1(A)$  on  $V_1^{\otimes d} = (\mathbb{C}^2)^{\otimes d}$  commute and generate each other's centralizer.

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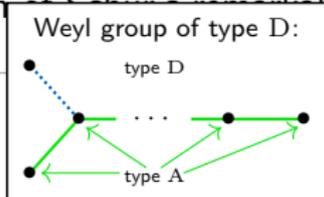
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$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{U}_1(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \curvearrowright V_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes V_1 &\curvearrowright \mathcal{H}_1(A) \\ \parallel & \\ \underbrace{V_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes V_1}_{d \text{ times}} & \end{aligned}$$

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A version of Cartan's involution duality.



$$\mathcal{U}_1(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \circlearrowleft V_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes V_1 \circlearrowright \mathcal{H}_1(A)$$

$\parallel$

$\cap$

$$\underbrace{V_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes V_1}_{d \text{ times}}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_1(D) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

Ignore the component group  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ .

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$\parallel \qquad \cap$

$$\underbrace{V_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes V_1}_{d \text{ times}} \curvearrowright \mathcal{H}_1(D) \rtimes_{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}}$$

Acts by signed permutations.

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The antidiagonal embedding:

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 (t) & \mapsto & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & t \\ t & 0 \end{pmatrix} & & \\
 \cup & & \parallel & & \cap \\
 \mathcal{U}_1(\mathfrak{sl}_2) & \hookrightarrow & V_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes V_1 & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{H}_1(A) \\
 \text{Acts by restriction.} & & \underbrace{V_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes V_1}_{d \text{ times}} & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{H}_1(D) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}
 \end{array}$$

**Regev ~1983.** The actions of  $\mathcal{U}_1(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  and  $\mathcal{H}_1(D) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  on  $V_1^{\otimes d}$  commute and generate each other's centralizer.

A version of Schur's remarkable duality.

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$$\mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \curvearrowright V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v \curvearrowright \mathcal{H}_v(A)$$

**Jimbo ~1985.** The natural actions of  $\mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$  and  $\mathcal{H}_v(A)$  on  $V_v^{\otimes d} = (\mathbb{C}(v)^2)^{\otimes d}$  commute and generate each other's centralizer.

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$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \curvearrowright V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v \curvearrowright \mathcal{H}_v(A) \\ \parallel \\ \underbrace{V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v}_{d \text{ times}} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \curvearrowright & \mathbf{V}_v \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{V}_v & \curvearrowright \mathcal{H}_v(A) \\ & \parallel & \cap \\ & \underbrace{\mathbf{V}_v \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{V}_v}_{d \text{ times}} & \mathcal{H}_v(D) \rtimes^{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}} \end{array}$$

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \curvearrowright & V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v & \curvearrowright \mathcal{H}_v(A) \\ & \parallel & \cap \\ & \underbrace{V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v}_{d \text{ times}} & \curvearrowright \mathcal{H}_v(D) \rtimes^{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}} \end{array}$$

Quantizes nicely.

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$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \circlearrowleft & & \mathbf{V}_v \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{V}_v & \circlearrowright & \mathcal{H}_v(A) \\ \cup & & \parallel & & \cap \\ ?? \circlearrowleft & & \underbrace{\mathbf{V}_v \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{V}_v}_{d \text{ times}} & \circlearrowright & \mathcal{H}_v(D) \rtimes^{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}} \end{array}$$

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \curvearrowright & V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v \curvearrowright & \mathcal{H}_v(A) \\ \cup & \parallel & \cap \\ \mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{gl}_1) \curvearrowright & \underbrace{V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v}_{d \text{ times}} \curvearrowright & \mathcal{H}_v(D) \rtimes^{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}} \end{array}$$

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$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \curvearrowright & V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v & \curvearrowright & \mathcal{H}_v(A) & \\ \text{Does not} & \curvearrowright & \parallel & \cap & \\ \text{embed.} & & & & \\ \mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{gl}_1) \curvearrowright & \underbrace{V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v}_{d \text{ times}} & \curvearrowright & \mathcal{H}_v(D) \rtimes^{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}} & \end{array}$$

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \curvearrowright & V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v & \curvearrowright \mathcal{H}_v(A) \\ \text{\color{red} \cancel{\curvearrowright}} & \parallel & \cap \\ \mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{gl}_1) \text{\color{red} \cancel{\curvearrowright}} & \underbrace{V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v}_{d \text{ times}} & \curvearrowright \mathcal{H}_v(D) \rtimes^{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}} \end{array}$$

No commuting action.

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \curvearrowright & V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v \curvearrowright & \mathcal{H}_v(A) \\ & \parallel & \cap \\ \cancel{\mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{sl}_1)} \curvearrowright & \underbrace{V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v}_{d \text{ times}} \curvearrowright & \mathcal{H}_v(D) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \end{array}$$

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \curvearrowright & V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v & \curvearrowright \mathcal{H}_v(A) \\ & \parallel & \cap \\ {}^c\mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{gl}_1) & \underbrace{V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v}_{d \text{ times}} & \curvearrowright \mathcal{H}_v(D) \rtimes^{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}} \end{array}$$

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$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \curvearrowright V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v \curvearrowright \mathcal{H}_v(A) & & \\
 \cup & \parallel & \cap \\
 \subset \mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{gl}_1) & \underbrace{V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v}_{d \text{ times}} \curvearrowright \mathcal{H}_v(D) \rtimes^{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}} & 
 \end{array}$$

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \curvearrowright & V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v \curvearrowright & \mathcal{H}_v(A) \\ \cup & \parallel & \cap \\ {}^c\mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{gl}_1) \curvearrowright & \underbrace{V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v}_{d \text{ times}} \curvearrowright & \mathcal{H}_v(D) \rtimes^{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}} \end{array}$$

Act by restriction.

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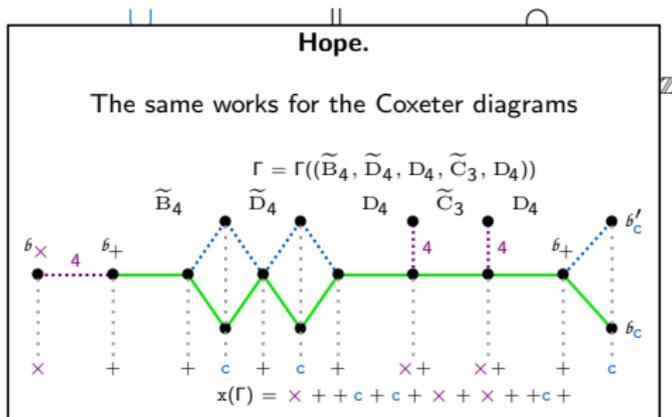
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**Ehrig–Stroppel, Bao–Wang ~2013.** The actions of  ${}^c\mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{gl}_1)$  and  $\mathcal{H}_v(D) \rtimes^{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}}$  on  $V_v^{\otimes d}$  commute and generate each other's centralizer.

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$$\mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \circlearrowleft V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v \circlearrowright \mathcal{H}_v(A)$$



But, again, only in the special case of type ABCD this is known.

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{sl}_2) \curvearrowright & V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v \curvearrowright & \mathcal{H}_v(A) \\ \cup & \parallel & \cap \\ {}^c\mathcal{U}_v(\mathfrak{gl}_1) \curvearrowright & \underbrace{V_v \otimes \cdots \otimes V_v}_{d \text{ times}} \curvearrowright & \mathcal{H}_v(D) \rtimes^{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}} \end{array}$$

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**Message to take away.** Coideal naturally appear in Schur–Weyl-like games. And these pull the strings from the background for tangle and link invariants.