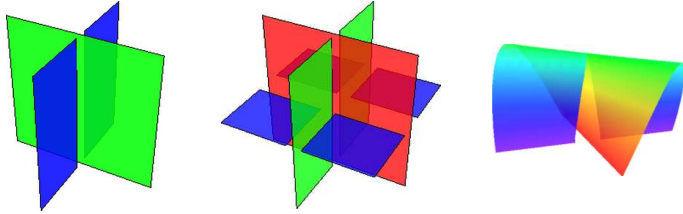
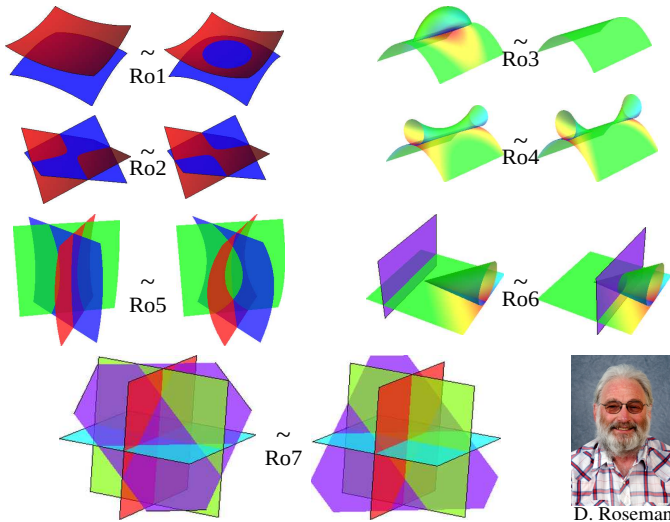


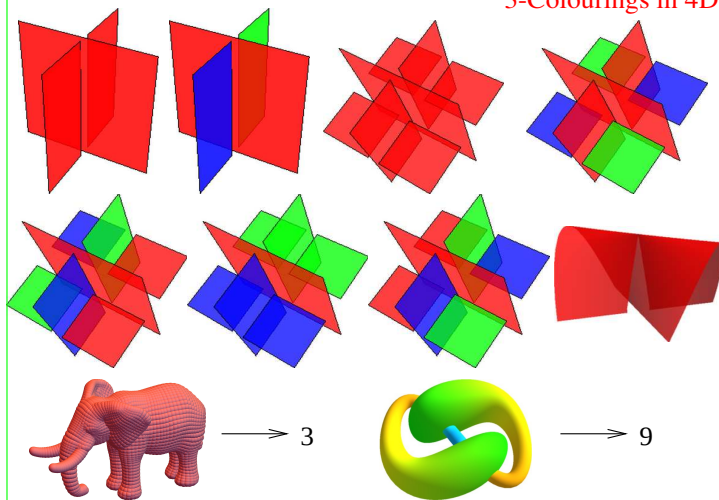
Theorem. Every 2-knot can be represented by a “broken surface diagram” made of the following basic ingredients,



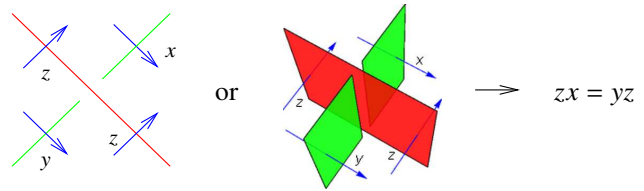
... and any two representations of the same knot differ by a sequence of the following “Roseman moves”:



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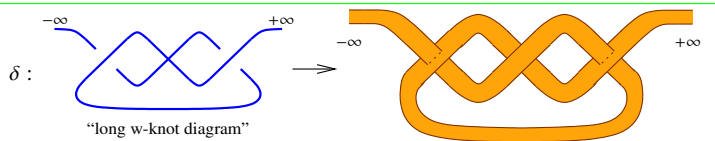


A Stronger Invariant. There is an assignment of groups to knots / 2-knots as follows. Put an arrow “under” every un-broken curve / surface in a broken curve / surface diagram and label it with the name of a group generator. Then mod out by relations as below.

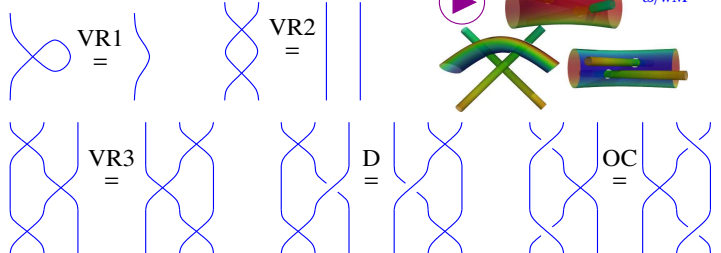


Facts. The resulting “Fundamental group” $\pi_1(K)$ of a knot / 2-knot K is a very strong but not very computable invariant of K . Though it has computable projections; e.g., for any finite G , count the homomorphisms from $\pi_1(K)$ to G .

Exercise. Show that $|\text{Hom}(\pi_1(K) \rightarrow S_3)| = \lambda(K) + 3$.



Satoh's Conjecture. (Satoh, *Virtual Knot Presentations of Ribbon Torus-Knots*, J. Knot Theory and its Ramifications **9** (2000) 531–542). Two long w-knot diagrams represent via the map δ the same simple long 2D knotted tube in 4D iff they differ by a sequence of R-moves as above and the “w-moves” VR1–VR3, D and OC listed below:



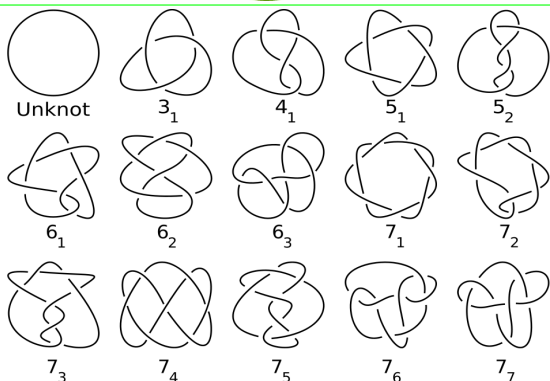
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A Knot Table

There are many more!



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