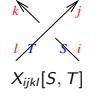


Contractions!

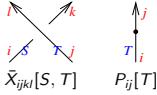
```
cx,y[w_Wedge] := Module[{i, j},
  {i} = FirstPosition[w, x, {0}]; {j} = FirstPosition[w, y, {0}];
  w
  [(-1)i+j+If[i>j, 0, 1] Delete[w, {{i}, {j}}]] (i > 0) ∧ (j > 0)
];
cx,y[δ_] := δ /. w_Wedge → cx,y[w]
WEExp[a ∧ b + 2 c ∧ d]
ca,c@WEExp[a ∧ b + 2 c ∧ d]
Wedge[] + a ∧ b + 2 c ∧ d + 2 a ∧ b ∧ c ∧ d
-Wedge[] - a ∧ b
```



$\mathcal{A}[\text{is}, \text{os}, \text{cs}, \text{w}]$  is also a container for the values of the  $\mathcal{A}$ -invariant of a tangle. In it,  $\text{is}$  are the labels of the input strands,  $\text{os}$  are the labels of the output strands,  $\text{cs}$  is an assignment of colours (namely, variables) to all the ends  $\{\xi_i\}_{i \in \text{is}} \sqcup \{x_j\}_{j \in \text{os}}$ , and  $\text{w}$  is the "payload": an element of  $\Lambda(\{\xi_i\}_{i \in \text{is}} \sqcup \{x_j\}_{j \in \text{os}})$ .

```
A[Xi,j,k,l[S, T]] := A[i, j, k, l, S, T];
Expand[T-1/2 WEExp[Expand[{{ξi, ξj} . (1 1 - T) / θ} . {xk, xl}]] / . ξa xb → ξa ∧ xb]];
A[X1,2,3,4[u, v]];
A[4, 1], (2, 3), ξ1 → u, x2 → v, x3 → u, x4 → v];
Wedge[] - x2 ∧ ξ4 / √v - x3 ∧ ξ1 - x3 ∧ ξ4 + √v x2 ∧ x3 ∧ ξ1 ∧ ξ4;
A[Xi,j,k,l[τi, τj]] := A[Xi,j,k,l[τi, τj]]
```

The negative crossing and the "point":



```
A[barXi,j,k,l[S, T]] := A[i, j, k, l, ξi → S, ξj → T, xk → S, xl → T];
Expand[T1/2 WEExp[Expand[{{ξi, ξj} . (T-1 0) / (1 - T-1) . {xk, xl}]] / . ξa xb → ξa ∧ xb]];
A[barXi,j,k,l] := A[barXi,j,k,l[τi, τj]];
A[Pi,j[T]] := A[i, j, ξi → T, xj → T];
WEExp[ξi ∧ xj];
A[Pi,j] := A[Pi,j[τi]]
```

The union operation on  $\mathcal{A}$ 's (implemented as "multiplication"):

```
A /: A[is1_, os1_, cs1_, w1_] × A[is2_, os2_, cs2_, w2_] :=
A[is1_ ∪ is2_, os1_ ∪ os2_, Join[cs1, cs2], WP[w1, w2]]
```

```
Short[A[X2,4,3,1[S, T]] × A[barX3,4,6,5], 5]
```

```
A[{1, 2, 3, 4}, {3, 4, 5, 6}],
```

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \xi_2 \rightarrow S, x_4 \rightarrow T, x_3 \rightarrow S, \xi_1 \rightarrow T, \xi_3 \rightarrow \tau_3, \xi_4 \rightarrow \tau_4, x_6 \rightarrow \tau_3, x_5 \rightarrow \tau_4 \rangle, \frac{\sqrt{\tau_4} \text{Wedge}[]}{\sqrt{T}} - \\ & \frac{\sqrt{\tau_4} x_3 \wedge \xi_1}{\sqrt{T}} + \sqrt{T} \sqrt{\tau_4} x_3 \wedge \xi_1 - \sqrt{T} \sqrt{\tau_4} x_3 \wedge \xi_2 - \frac{\sqrt{\tau_4} x_4 \wedge \xi_1}{\sqrt{T}} - \frac{\sqrt{\tau_4} x_5 \wedge \xi_4}{\sqrt{T}} - \\ & \frac{x_6 \wedge \xi_3}{\sqrt{T} \sqrt{\tau_4}} + <<40>> + \frac{\sqrt{T} x_3 \wedge x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 \wedge \xi_4}{\sqrt{\tau_4}} - \frac{\sqrt{T} x_3 \wedge x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_3 \wedge \xi_4}{\sqrt{\tau_4}} - \\ & \frac{x_4 \wedge x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_3 \wedge \xi_4}{\sqrt{T} \sqrt{\tau_4}} + \frac{\sqrt{T} x_3 \wedge x_4 \wedge x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 \wedge \xi_3 \wedge \xi_4}{\sqrt{\tau_4}} \end{aligned}$$



The linear structure on  $\mathcal{A}$ 's:

```
A /: a × A[is_, os_, cs_, w_] := A[is, os, cs, Expand[a w]];
A /: A[is1_, os1_, cs1_, w1_] + A[is2_, os2_, cs2_, w2_] /;
(Sort@is1 == Sort@is2) ∧ (Sort@os1 == Sort@os2) ∧
(Sort@Normal@cs1 == Sort@Normal@cs2) := A[is1, os1, cs1, w1 + w2]
```

Deciding if two  $\mathcal{A}$ 's are equal:

```
A /: A[is1_, os1_, _, w1_] ≡ A[is2_, os2_, _, w2_] :=
TrueQ[(Sort@is1 == Sort@is2) ∧ (Sort@os1 == Sort@os2) ∧
PowerExpand[w1 == w2]]
```

Automatic and intelligent multiple contractions:

```
c@A[is_, os_, cs_, w_] := Fold[c[#, #] &, A[is, os, cs, w], is ∩ os]
A[[A_A]] := c[A];
A[{{A1_A, A2_A}}] := Module[{A2},
A2 = First@MaximalBy[{A}, Length[A1[[1]] ∩ #[[2]]] + Length[A1[[2]] ∩ #[[1]]] &];
A[Join[{c[A1 A2]}], DeleteCases[{A}, A2]]];
A[cs_List] := A[A /@ cs]
c[A[X2,4,3,1[S, T]] × A[barX3,4,6,5]]
A[{1, 2}, {5, 6}, ξ2 → v, x5 → u, ξ1 → u, x6 → v];
Wedge[] - x5 ∧ ξ1 - x6 ∧ ξ2 - x5 ∧ x6 ∧ ξ1 ∧ ξ2;
A@{A[X2,4,3,1[S, T]], A[barX3,4,6,5]}
A[{1, 2}, {5, 6}, ξ2 → v, x5 → u, ξ1 → u, x6 → v];
Wedge[] - x5 ∧ ξ1 - x6 ∧ ξ2 - x5 ∧ x6 ∧ ξ1 ∧ ξ2]
```



## 4. Skein relations and evaluations for $\mathcal{A}$

$\mathcal{A} @ \{ \bar{X}_{4,1,6,3}[v, u], \bar{X}_{3,2,5,4} \}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle 1, 2 \rangle, \langle 5, 6 \rangle, \langle \xi_2 \rightarrow v, x_5 \rightarrow u, \xi_1 \rightarrow u, x_6 \rightarrow v \rangle, \\ & \sqrt{u} \sqrt{v} \text{Wedge}[] - \frac{\sqrt{u} x_5 \wedge \xi_1}{\sqrt{v}} + \frac{\sqrt{u} x_5 \wedge \xi_2}{\sqrt{v}} - \sqrt{u} \sqrt{v} x_5 \wedge \xi_2 + \frac{\sqrt{v} x_6 \wedge \xi_1}{\sqrt{u}} - \sqrt{u} \sqrt{v} x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \\ & - \frac{\sqrt{v} x_6 \wedge \xi_2}{\sqrt{u}} - \frac{\sqrt{u} x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2}{\sqrt{v}} - \frac{\sqrt{v} x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2}{\sqrt{u}} + \sqrt{u} \sqrt{v} x_5 \wedge x_6 \wedge \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2 \end{aligned}$$

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