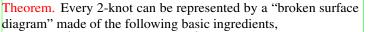
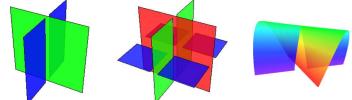
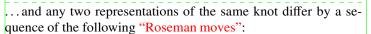
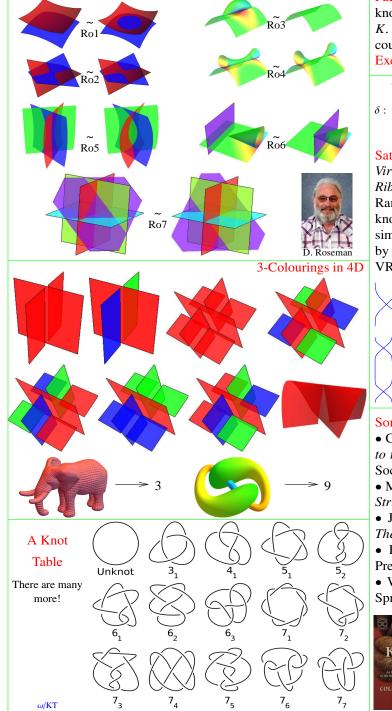
## Knots in Three and Four Dimensions, 2



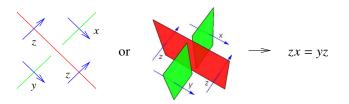






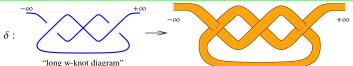


A Stronger Invariant. There is an assignment of groups to knots / 2-knots as follows. Put an arrow "under" every un-broken curve / surface in a broken curve / surface diagram and label it with the name of a group generator. Then mod out by relations as below.



Facts. The resulting "Fundamental group"  $\pi_1(K)$  of a knot / 2knot *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  $|\operatorname{Hom}(\pi_1(K) \to S_3)| = \lambda(K) + 3$ .



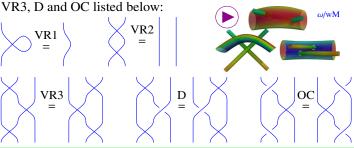
Satoh's Conjecture. (Satoh, Virtual Knot Presentations of

 $\longrightarrow$  "simple long knotted 2D tube in 4D"

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by a sequence of R-moves as above and the "w-moves" VR1–



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