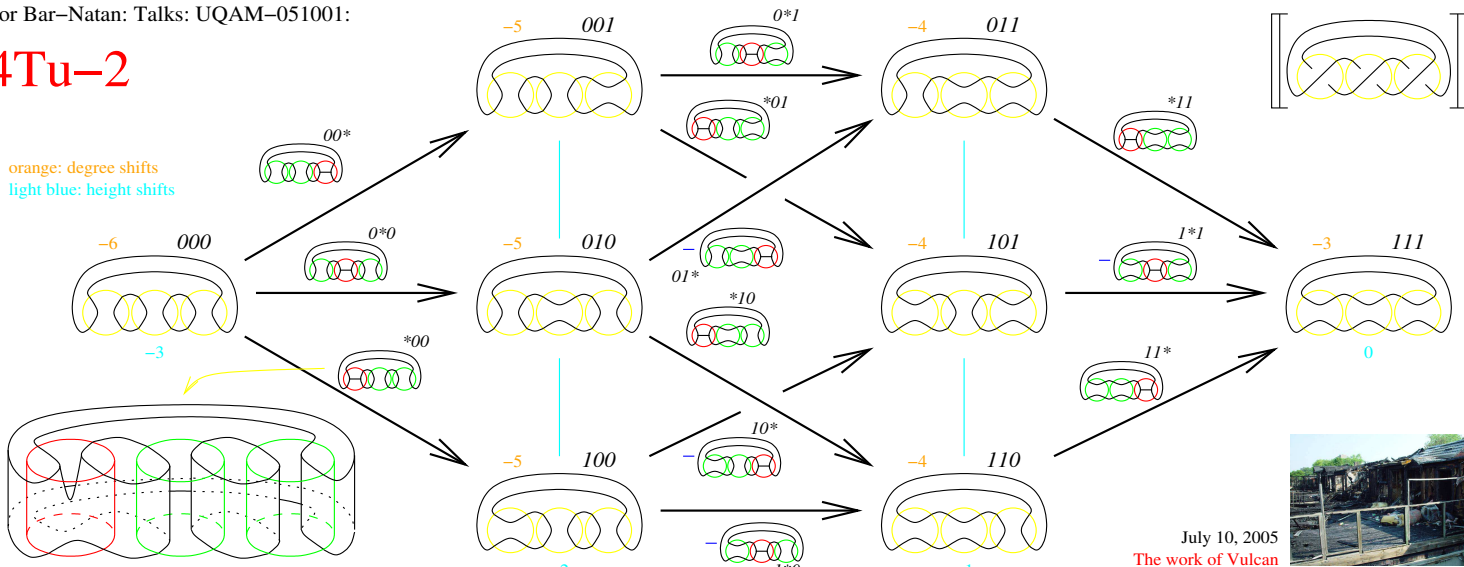


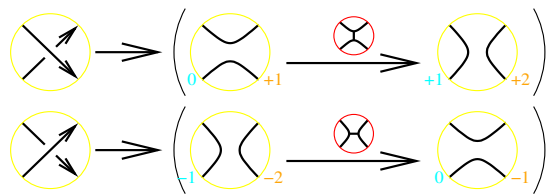
4Tu-2

orange: degree shifts
light blue: height shifts



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The work of Vulcan

General Crossings

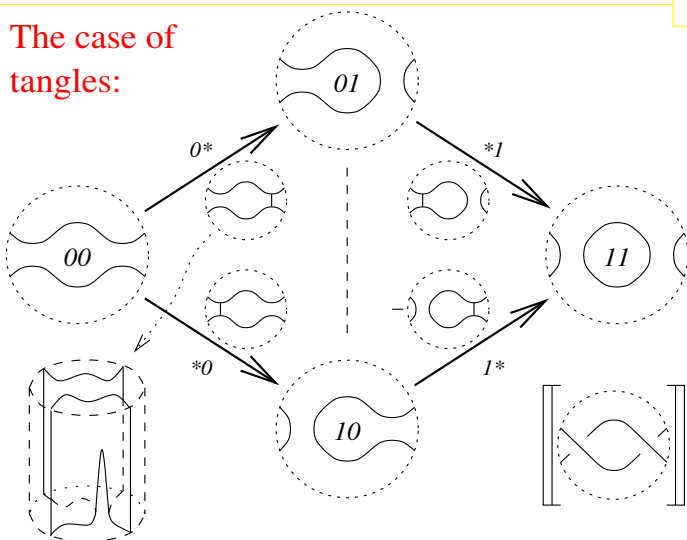


Where does it live? In $Kom(Mat(<Cob> / \{S, T, 4Tu\}) / \text{homotopy})$
Kom: Complexes *Mat*: Matrices *Cob*: Cobordisms $<...>$: Formal lin. comb.

$$S: \text{circle} = 0 \quad T: \text{circle} = 2$$

$$\text{trefoil} + \text{trefoil} = 4Tu = \text{link} + \text{link}$$

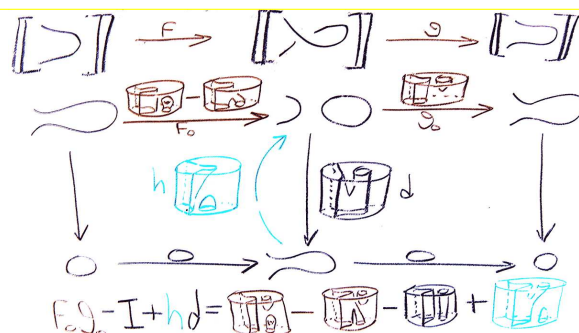
The case of tangles:



Invariant!



Kurt Reidemeister



The Reduction Lemma. If ϕ is an isomorphism then the complex

$$[C] \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ D \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} \phi & \delta \\ \gamma & \epsilon \end{pmatrix}} \begin{bmatrix} b_2 \\ E \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{(\mu \quad \nu)} [F]$$

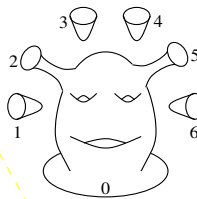
is isomorphic to the (direct sum) complex

$$[C] \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ D \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} \phi & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon - \gamma\phi^{-1}\delta \end{pmatrix}} \begin{bmatrix} b_2 \\ E \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{(0 \quad \nu)} [F]$$

The work of Naot.

$\langle \text{surfaces} \rangle / 4Tu$ is freely generated by Shrek surfaces

A Shrek surface with 7 boundaries (one distinguished), 3 handles and 2 tubes



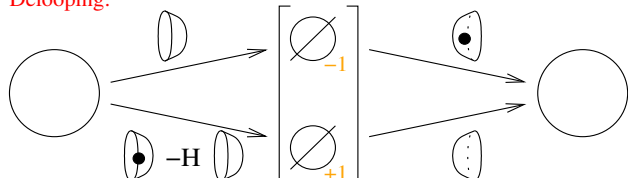
Gad Naot



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Let \bullet denote a tube to the distinguished component (the curtain), and let H denote a handle on the curtain. Then

Delooping:



... so the invariant is valued in complexes over a category with just one object and morphisms in $\mathbb{Z}[H]$; all is graded and $\deg H = -2$.

The work of Green.

standard data:



Jeremy Green

The universal invariant of the left-handed trefoil is

$$-3 \mid \xrightarrow{H} -8 \mid \xrightarrow{-2} -6 \mid \xrightarrow{-1} 0 \mid \xrightarrow{-2} -2$$

(and the invariant of the 48 crossing $T(8,7)$ is computable in minutes...)

-1									
-3									
-5									
-7									
-9									
-3	-2	-1	0						

Some functors.

classical	reduced	Lee	$\frac{\mathbb{Z}[X]}{X^2 - hX - t}$?
$H \mapsto \begin{matrix} <+> & <+> \\ <-> & 2 & <-> \end{matrix}$	$<0> \xrightarrow{0} <0>$	$\begin{matrix} <+> & 2 & <+> \\ <-> & 2 & <-> \end{matrix}$	$\begin{matrix} o & i & + & - \\ + & -h & 2t & \\ - & 2 & h & \end{matrix}$	$\begin{matrix} <2> & <2> \\ <0> & <0> \\ <-2> & <-2> \end{matrix}$

(Lee's spectral sequence and Rasmussen's invariant also recoverable)

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