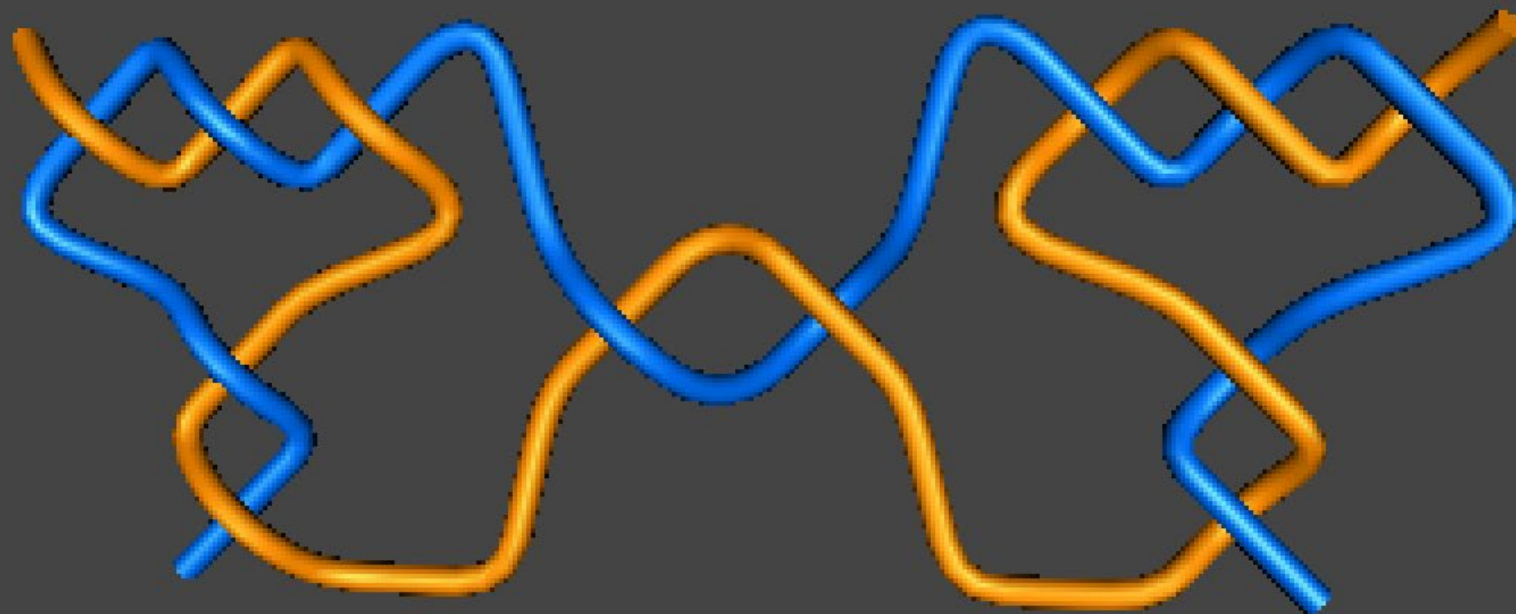


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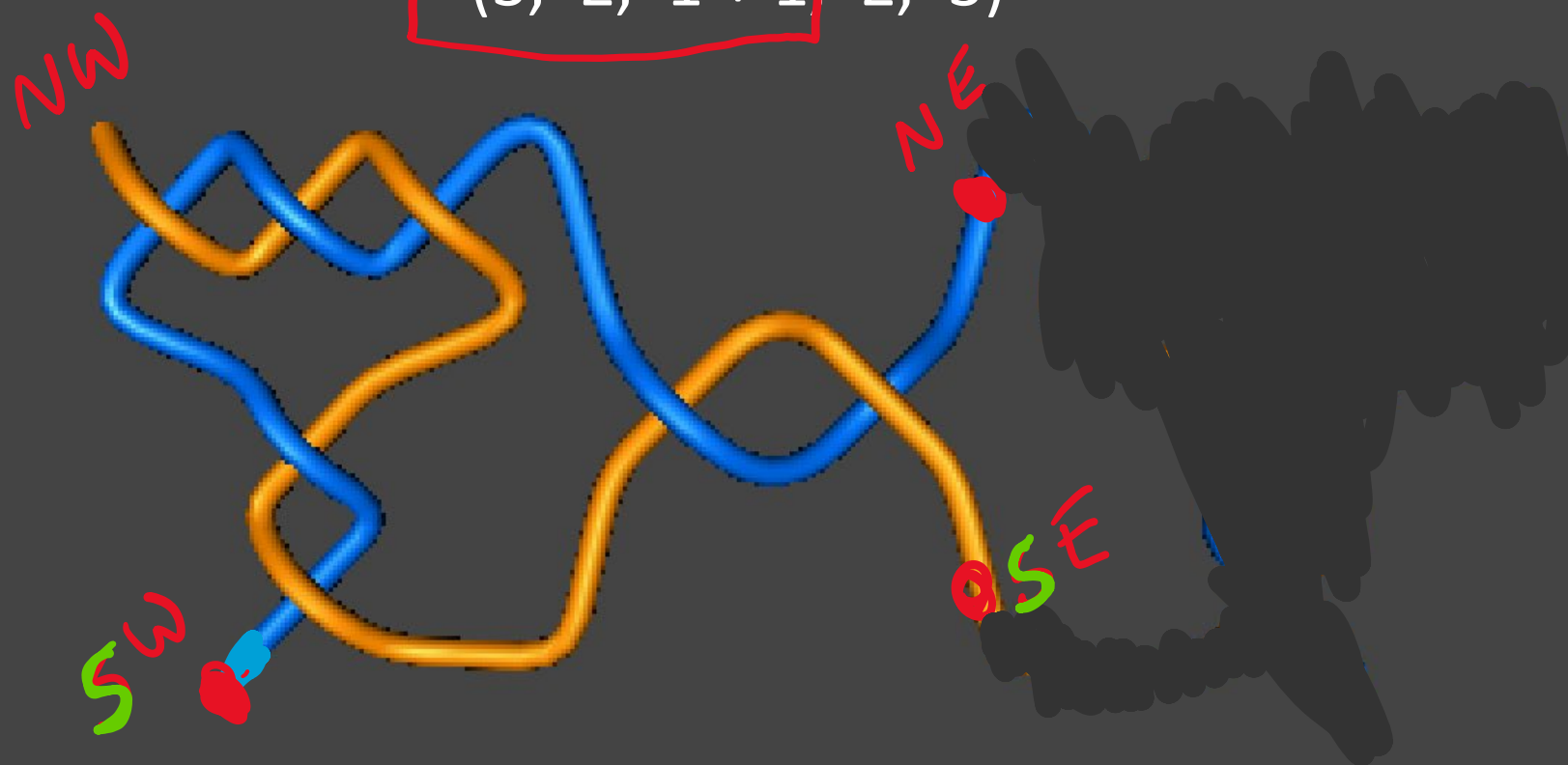
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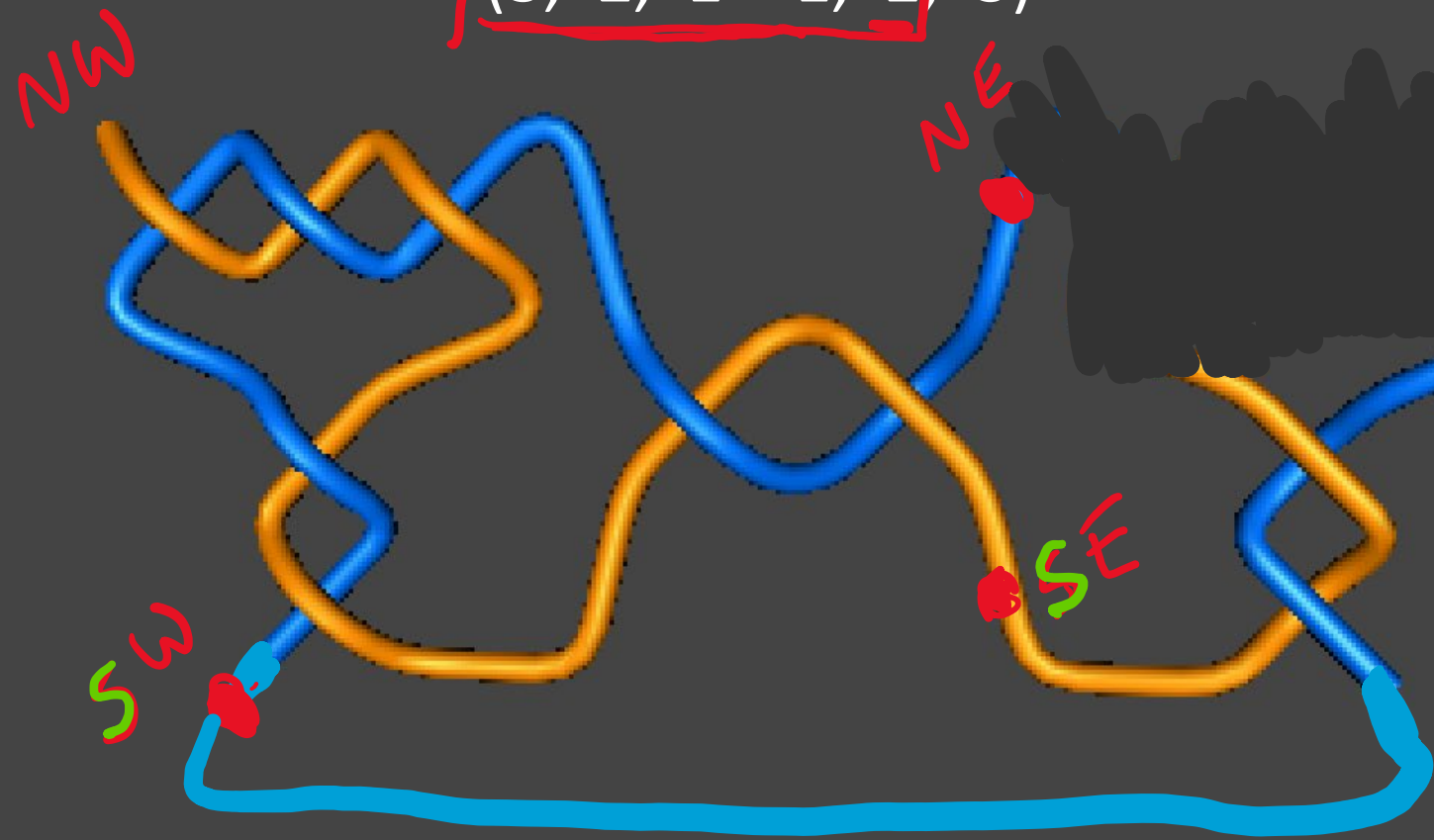
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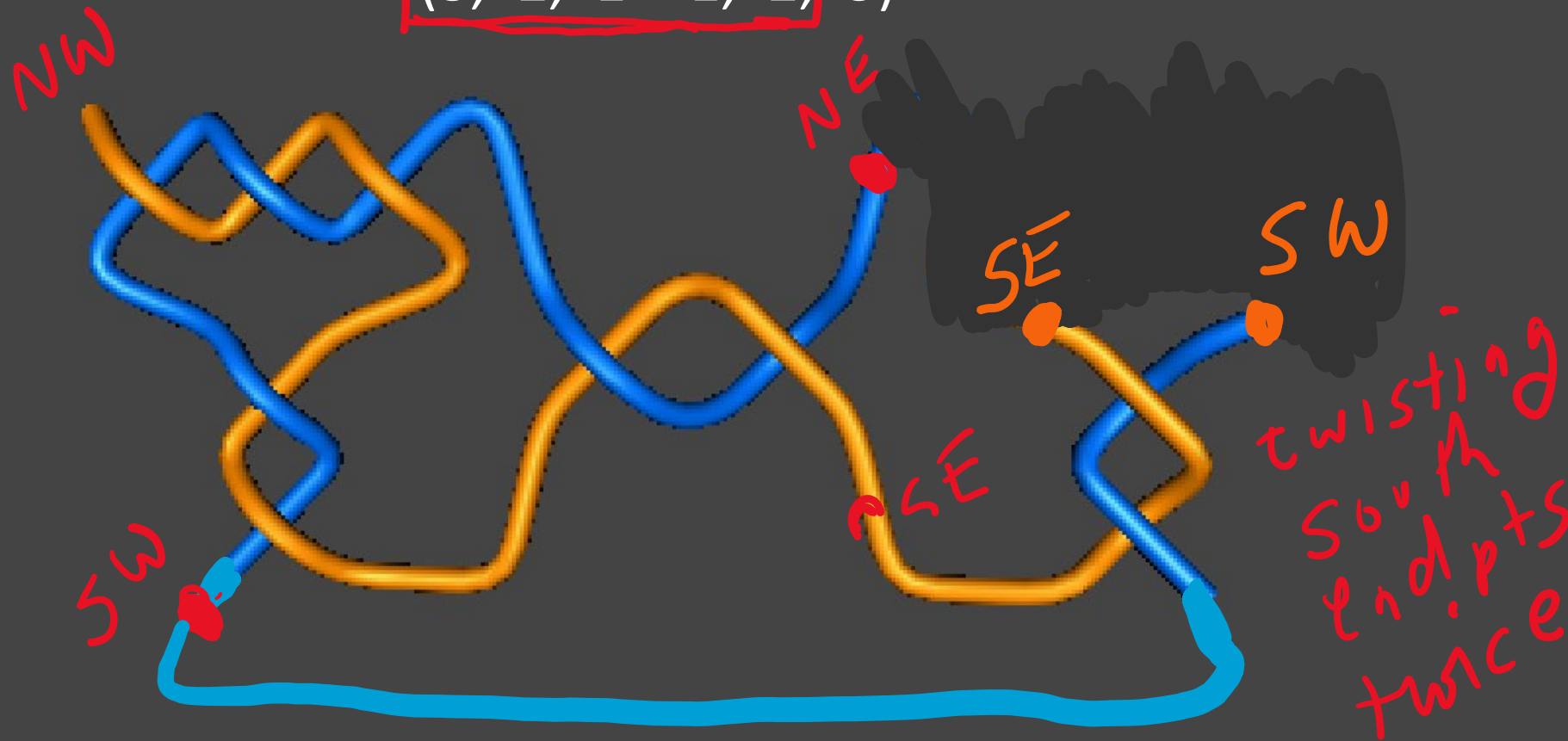
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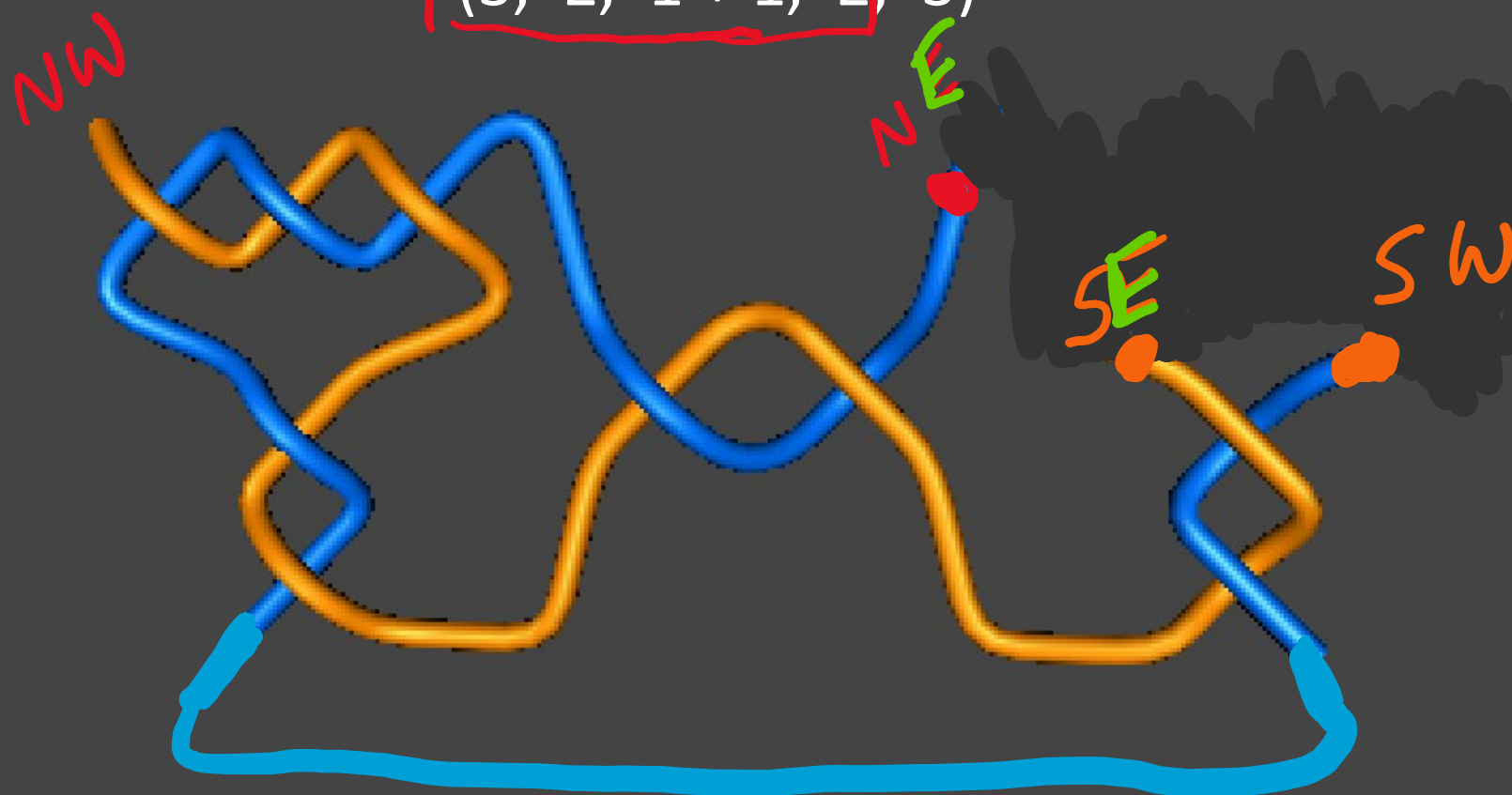
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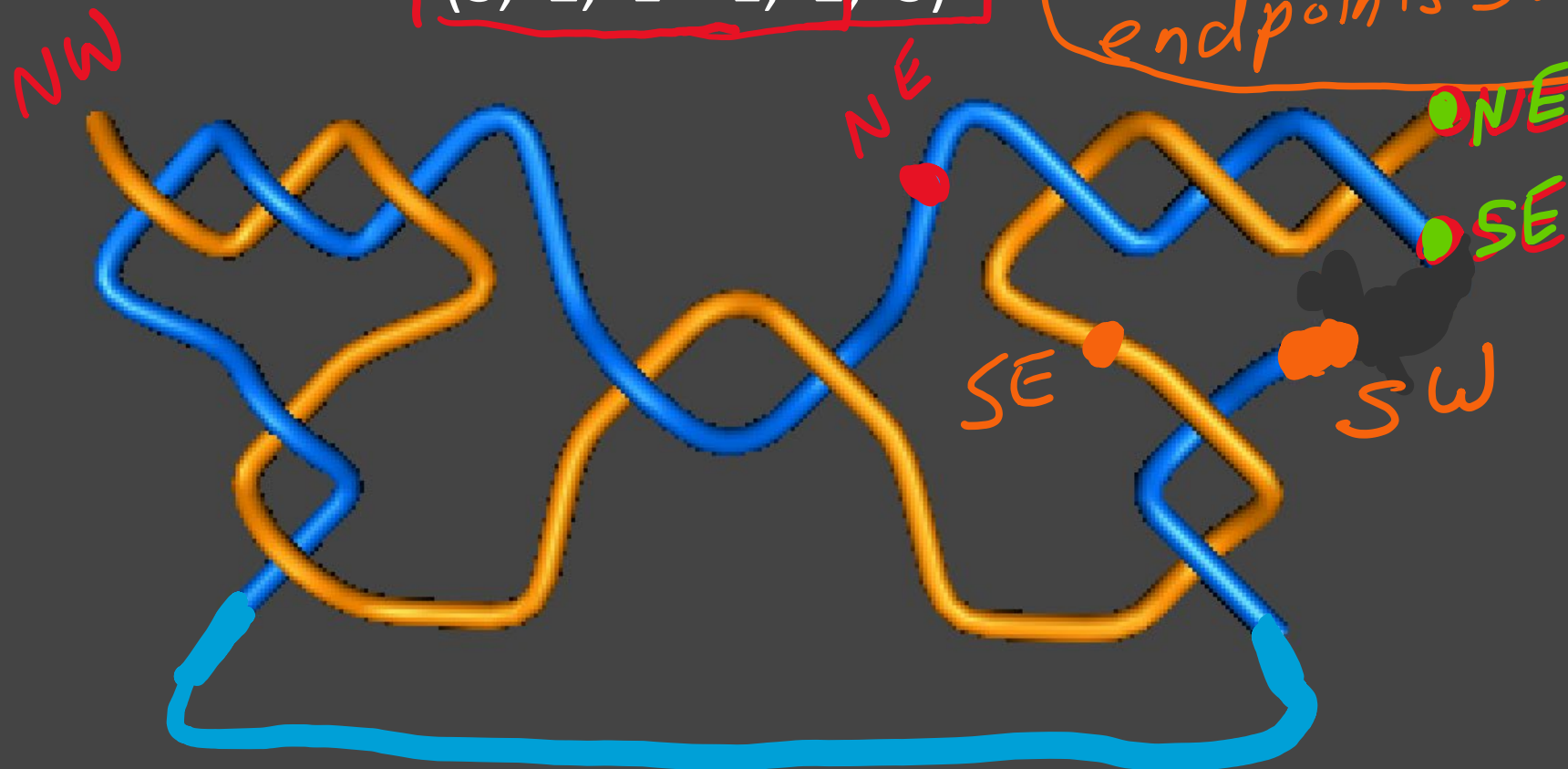
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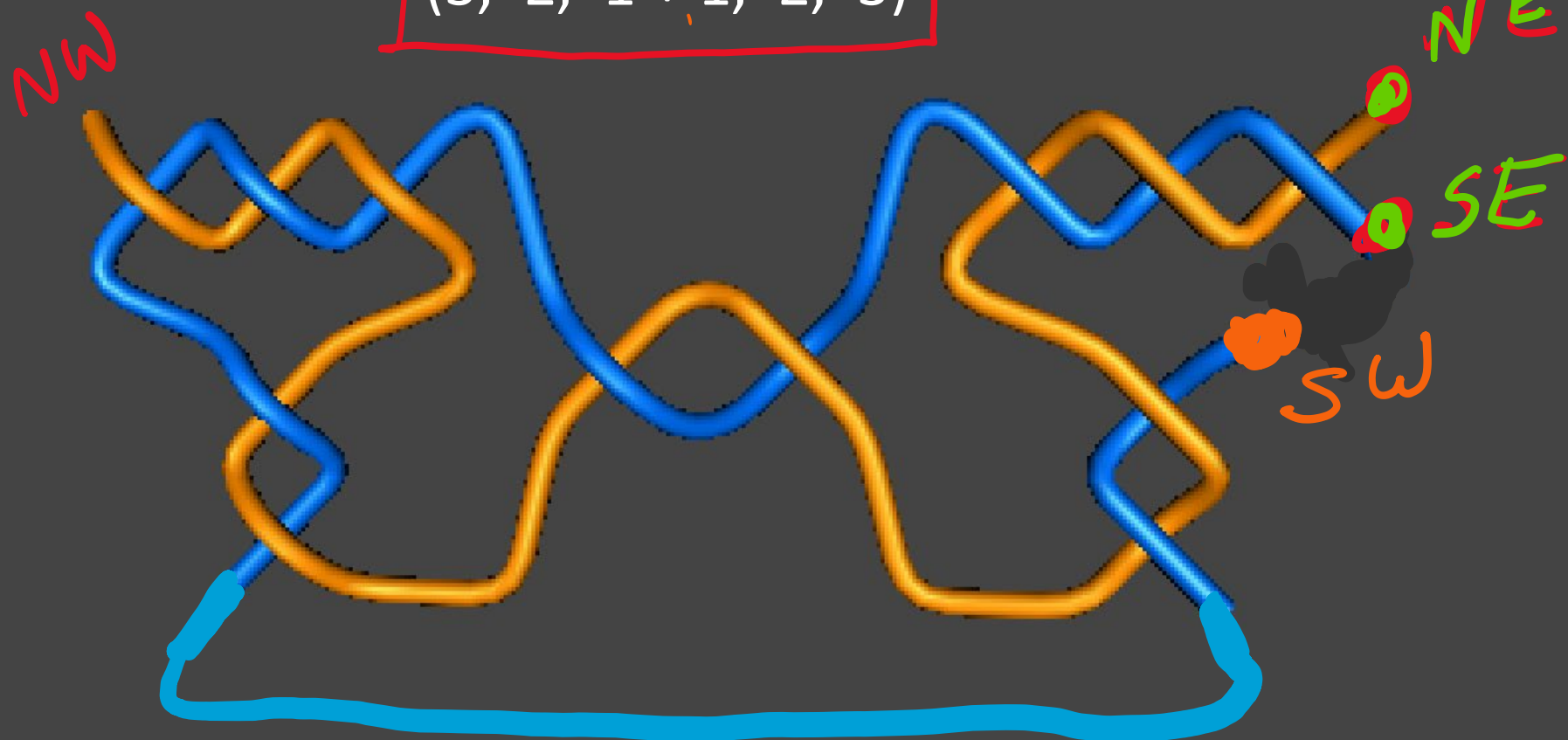
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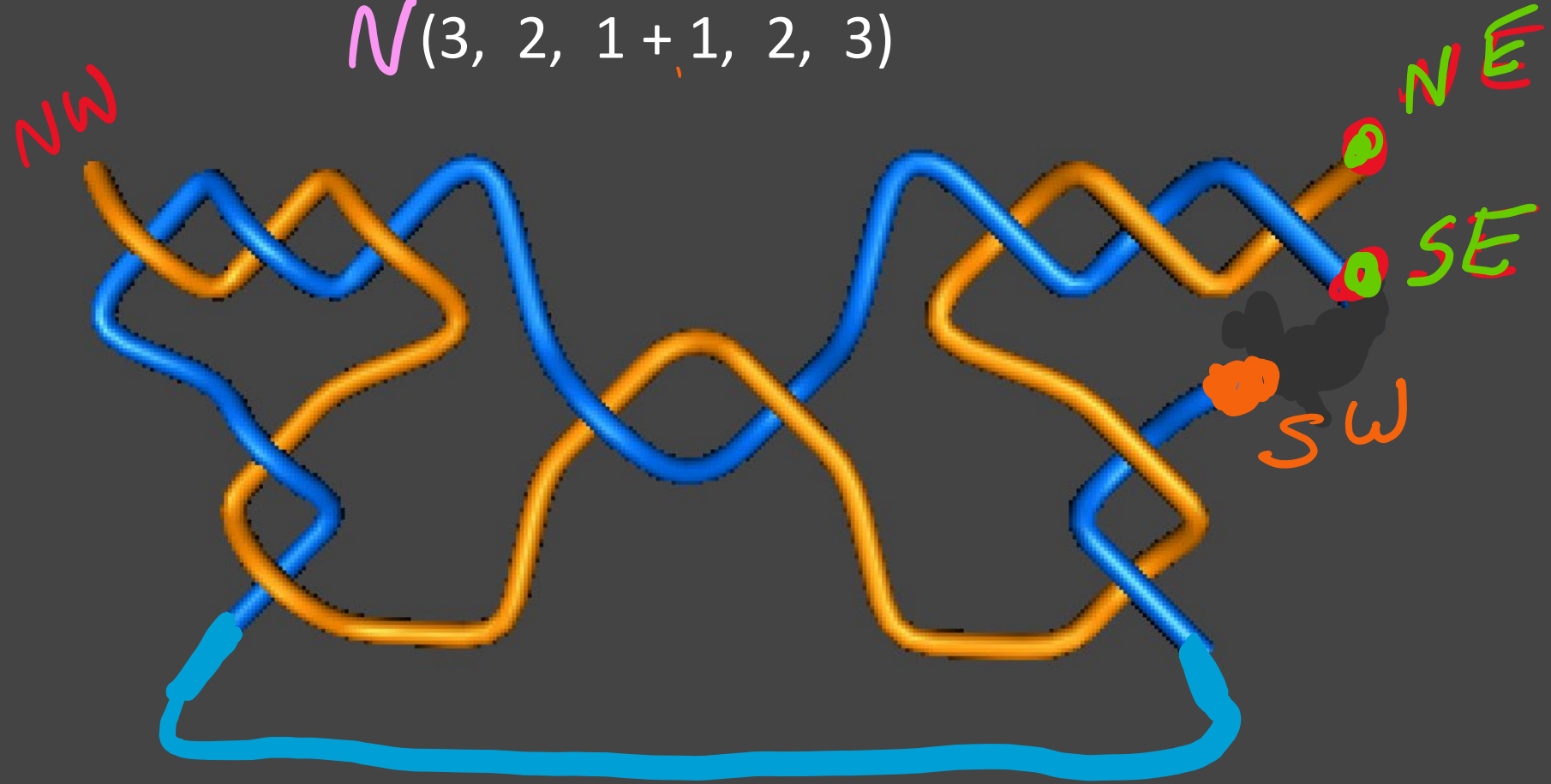
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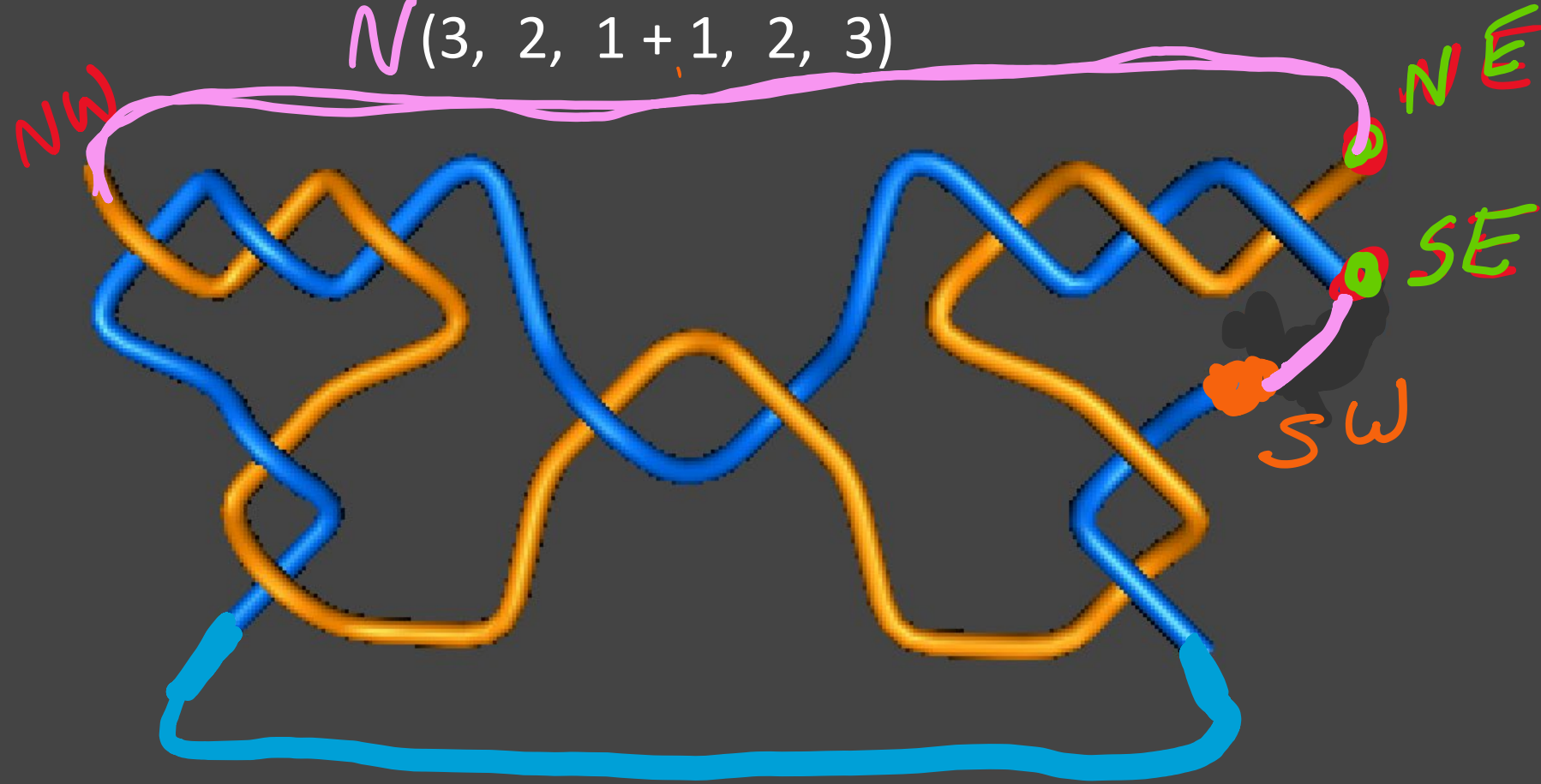
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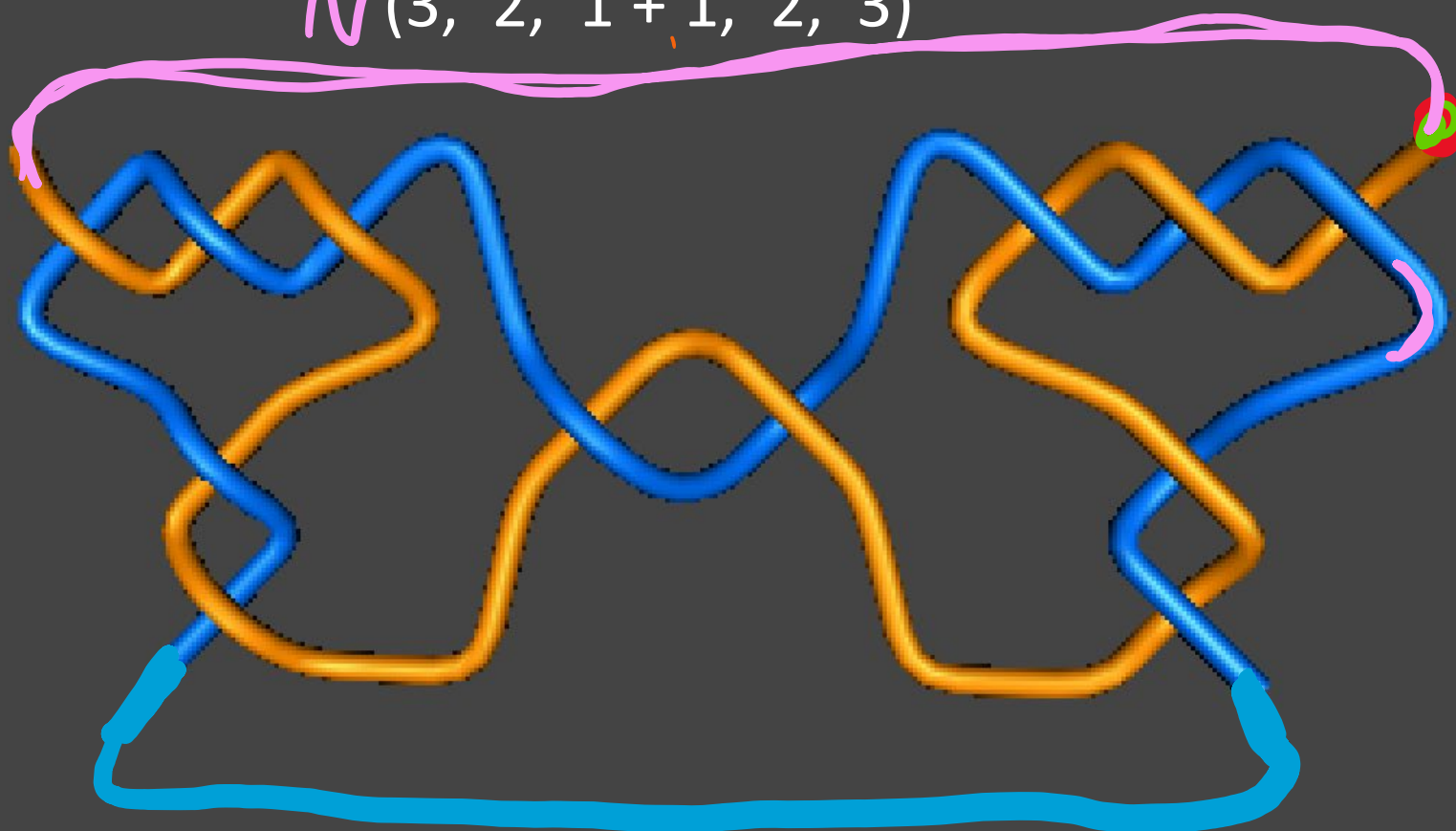
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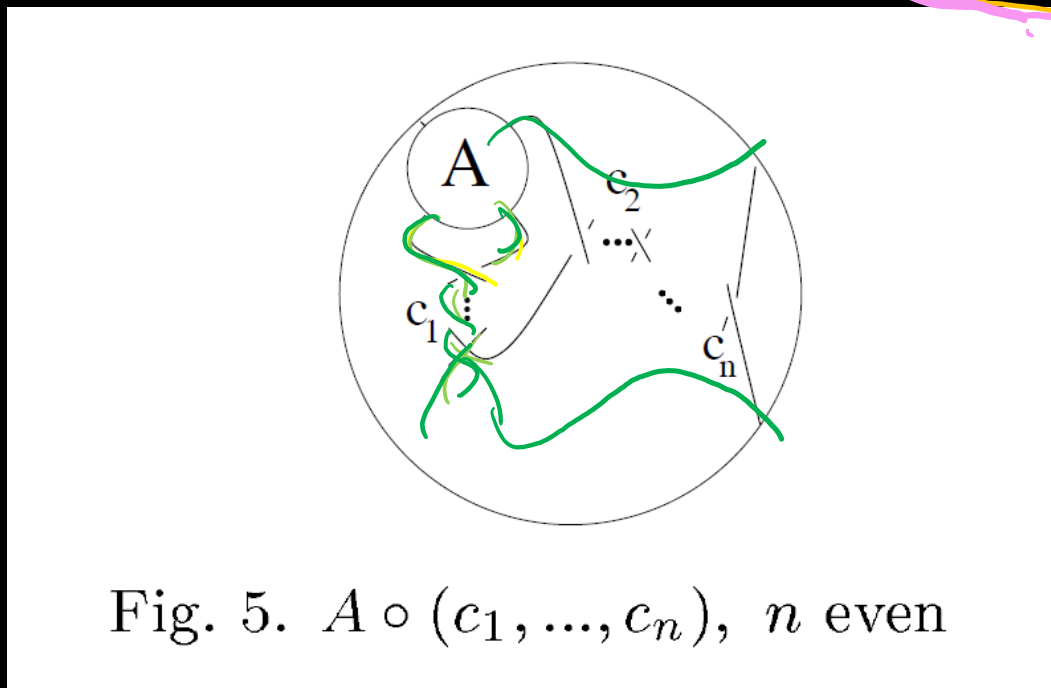
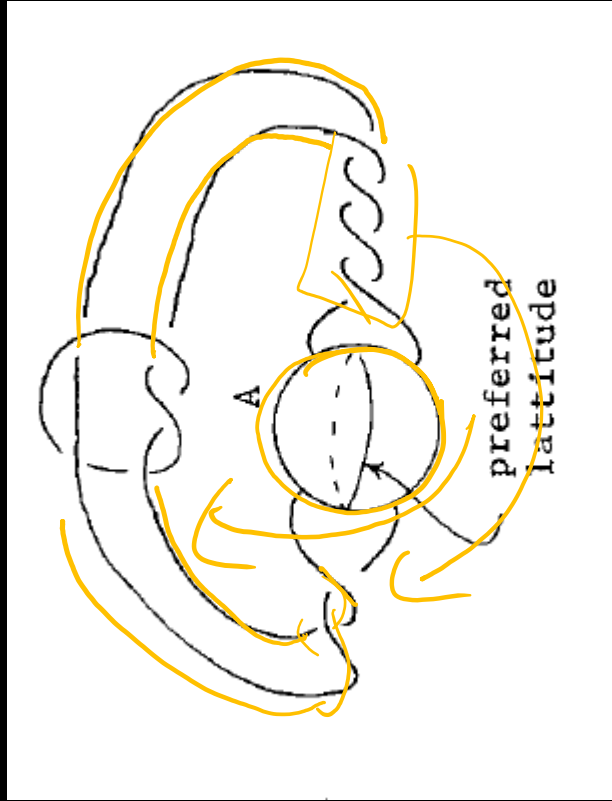


Fig. 5. $A \circ (c_1, \dots, c_n)$, n even

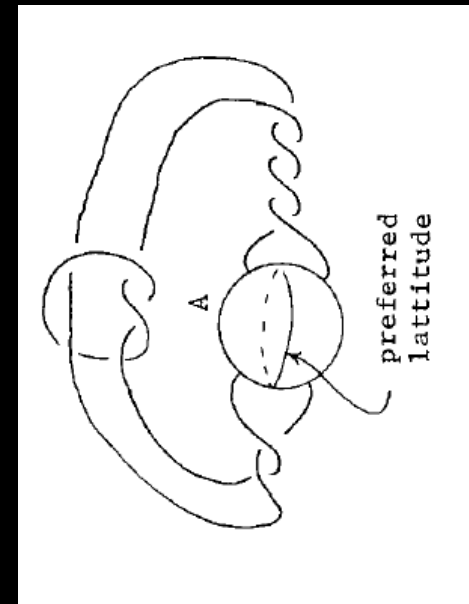
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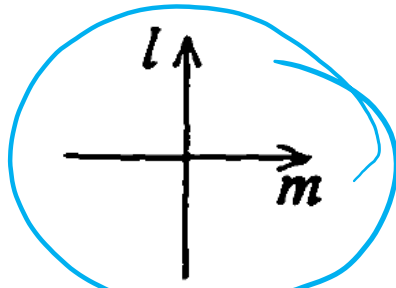
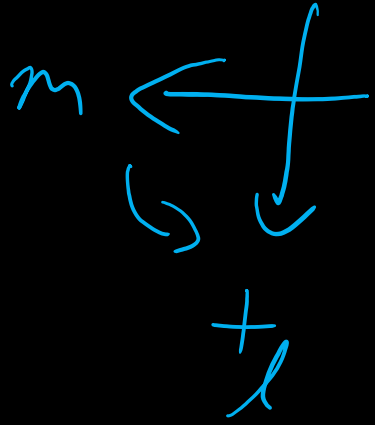
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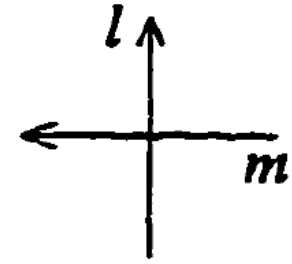


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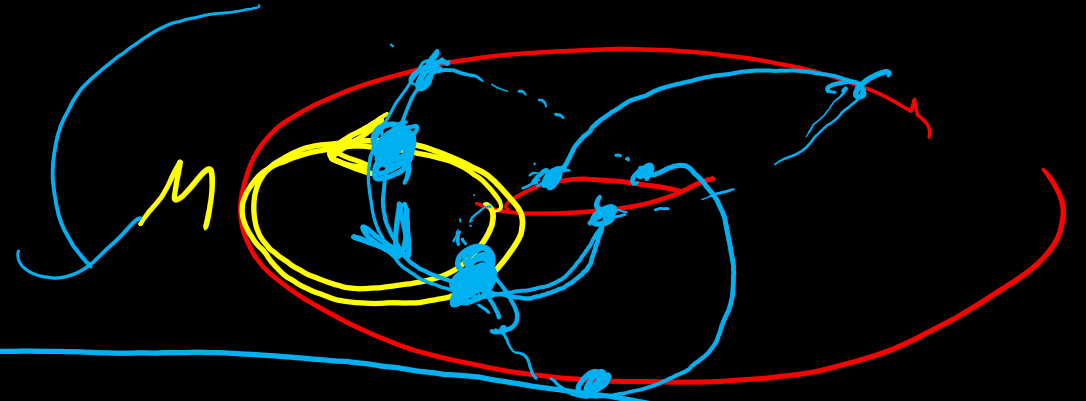
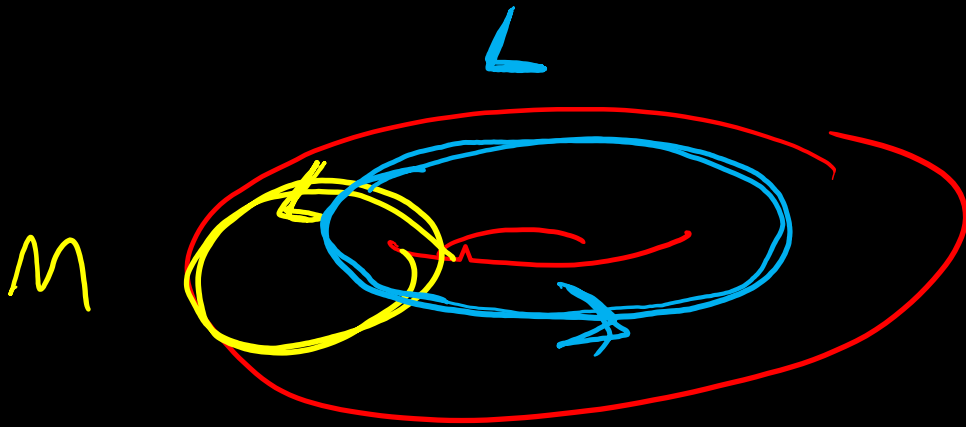
$$i(l, m) = +1$$



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Figure 3.3: Intersection number.

$$i(2L + 3M, M) = +2$$



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$$\det A = \det A^T \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{vmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{array}{l|cc|c} M \rightarrow & 1 & 3 & \\ L \rightarrow & 0 & 2 & = +2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 159 & 38 \\ 46 & 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{V^4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{H^5} \begin{pmatrix} 21 & 5 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{V^2} \begin{pmatrix} 21 & 5 \\ 46 & 11 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{H^3} \begin{pmatrix} 159 & 38 \\ 46 & 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 159 & 38 \\ 46 & 11 \end{pmatrix}$

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Since A^{-1} is an orientation preserving homeomorphism, $\det(A^{-1}) = 1$

$$A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 159 & b \\ 46 & a \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & ? \\ 0 & 159a - 46b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$i(bM + aL, 159M + 46L) = i(?M + (159a - 46b)L, M) = 159a - 46b = \det \begin{pmatrix} 159 & b \\ 46 & a \end{pmatrix}$$

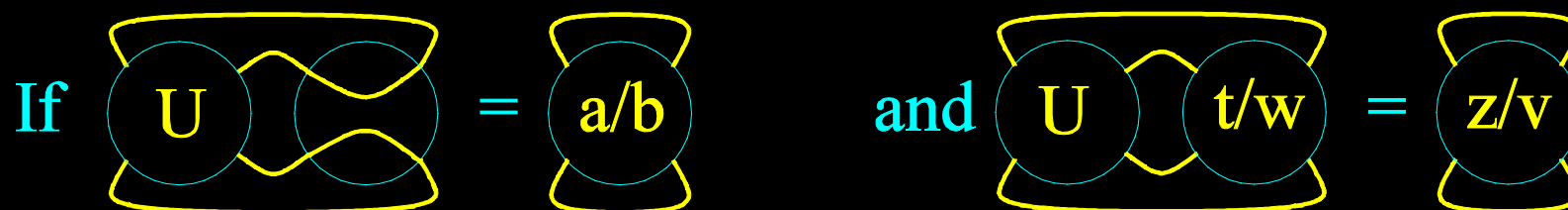
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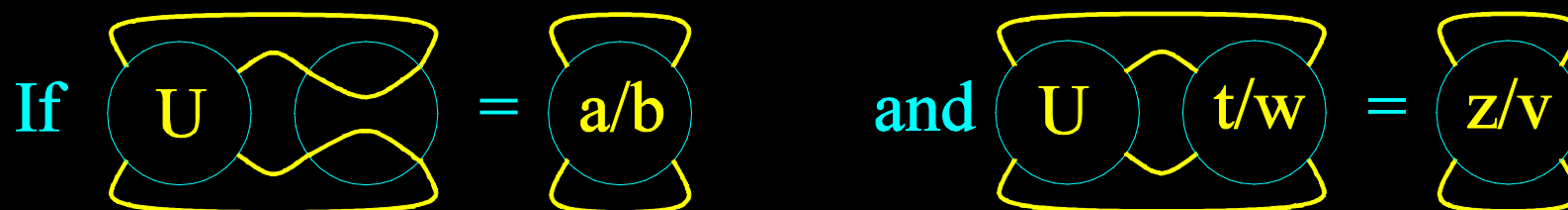
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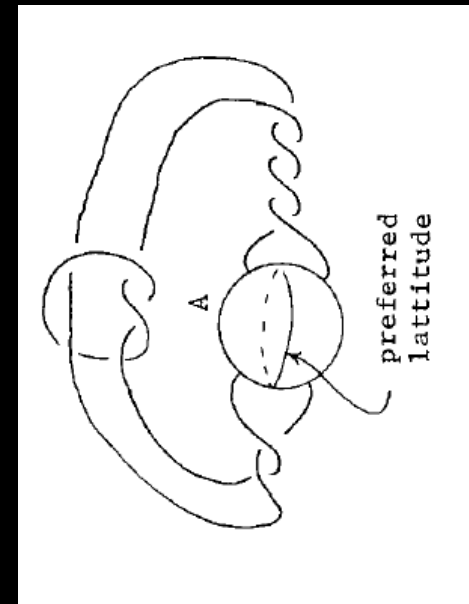


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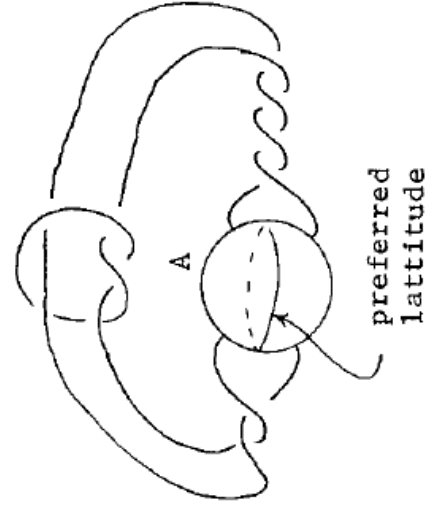
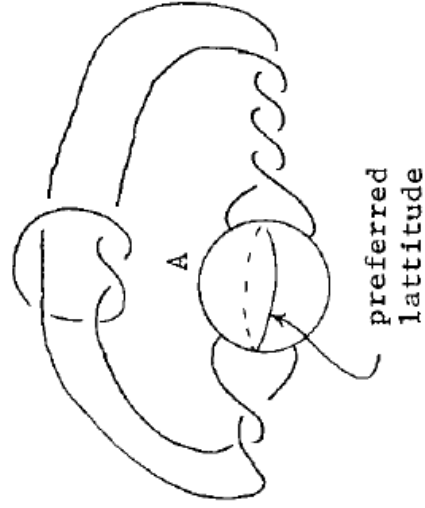
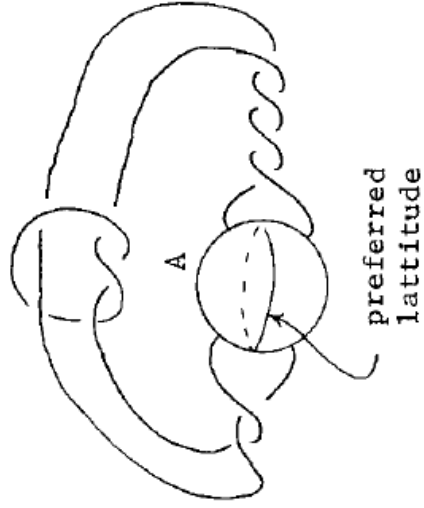
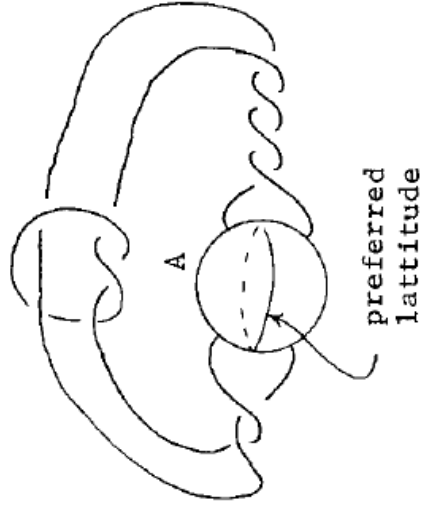
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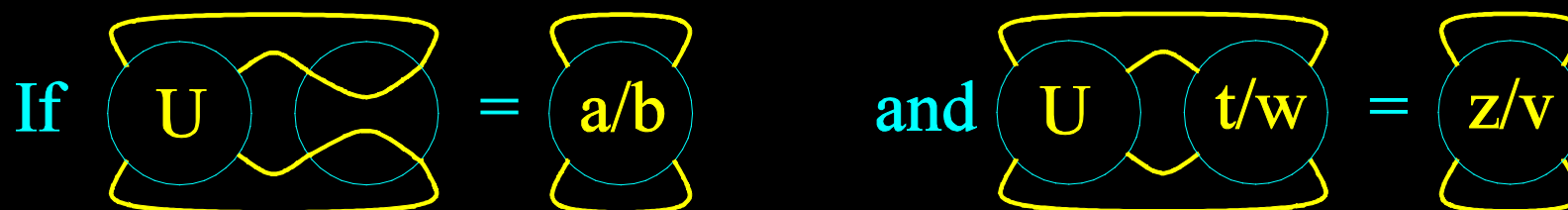
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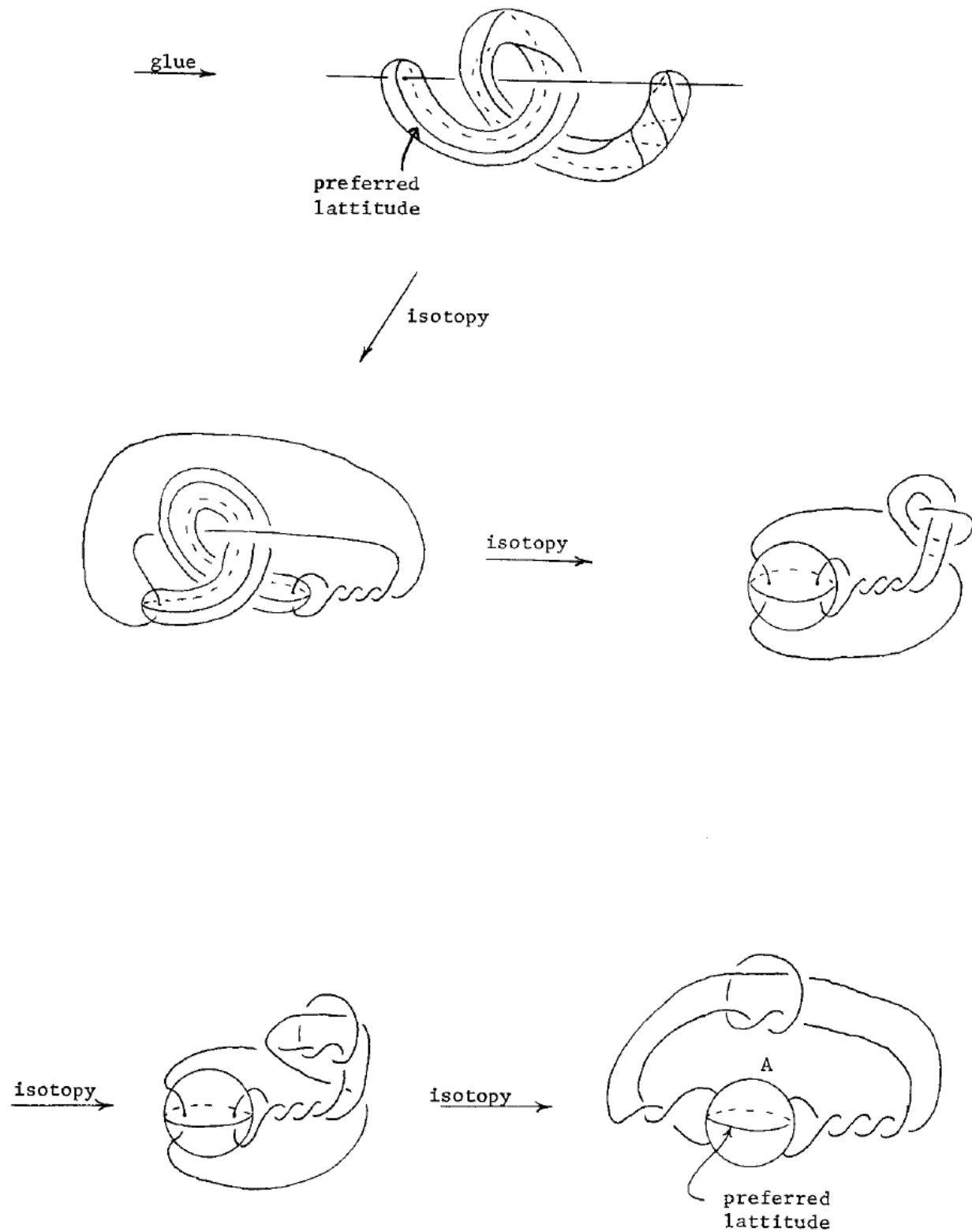
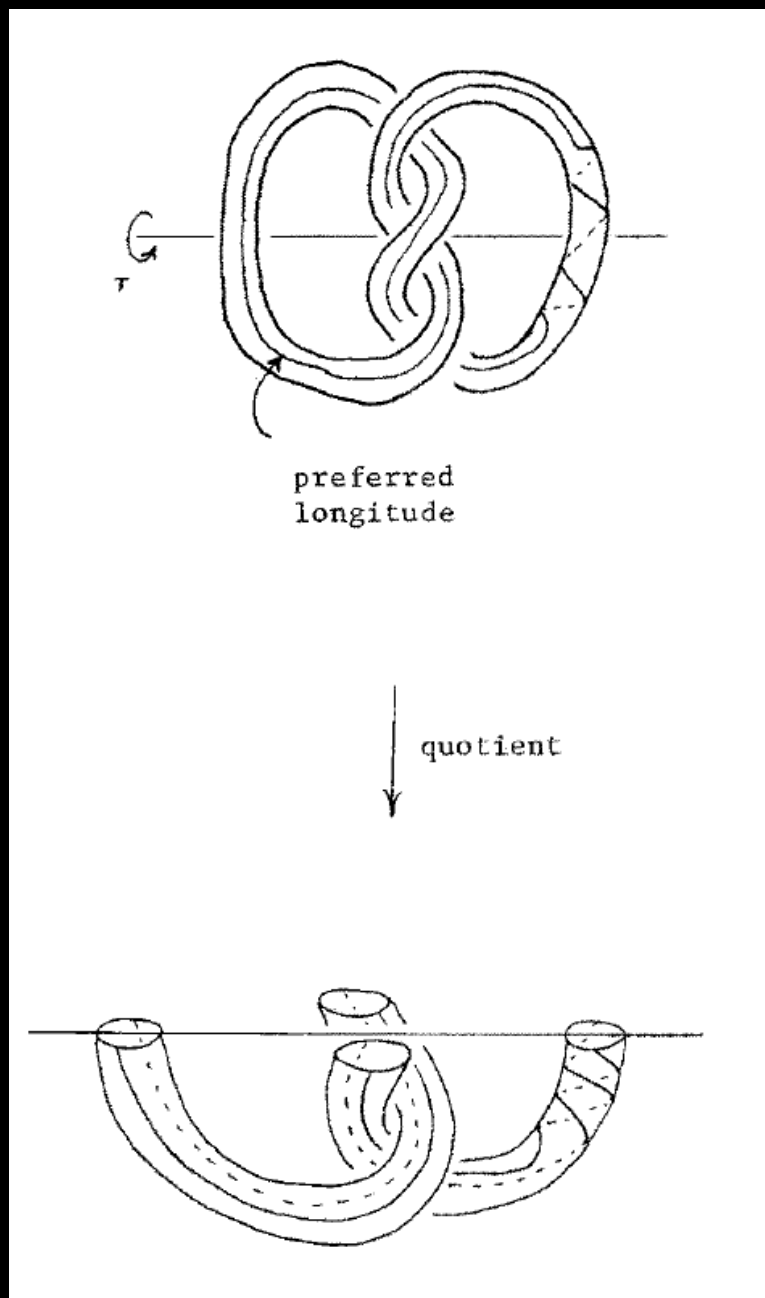
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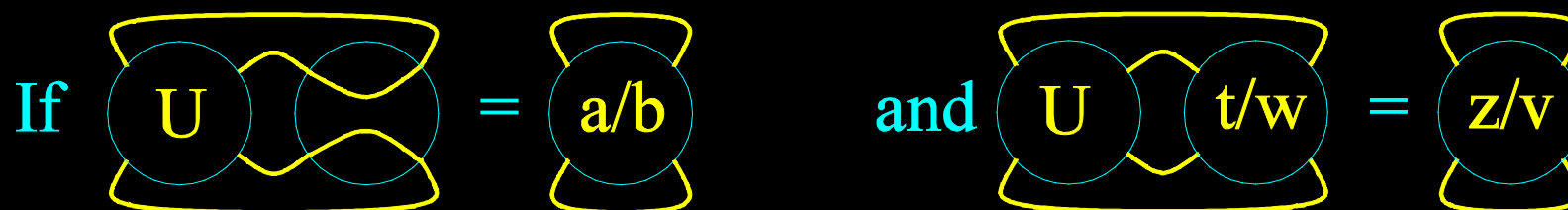
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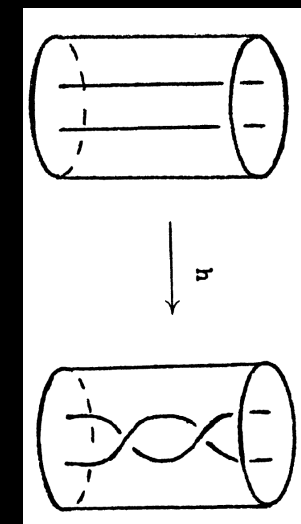
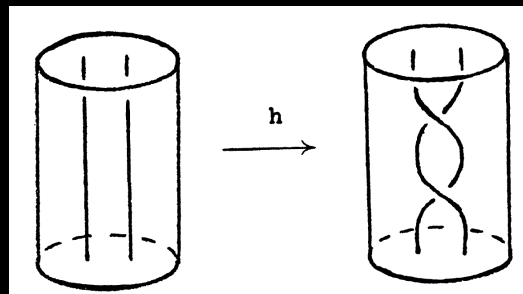
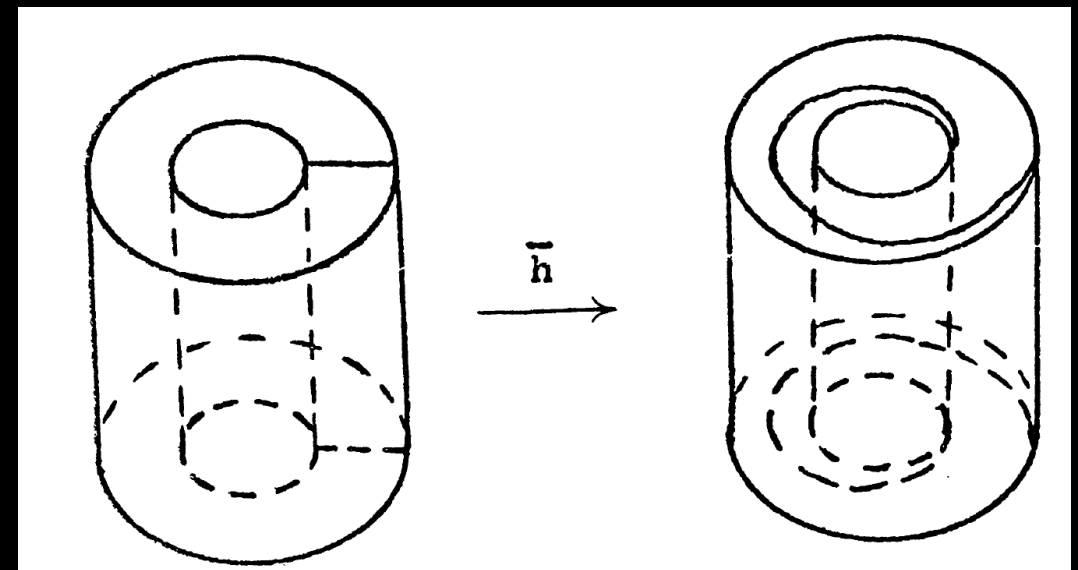
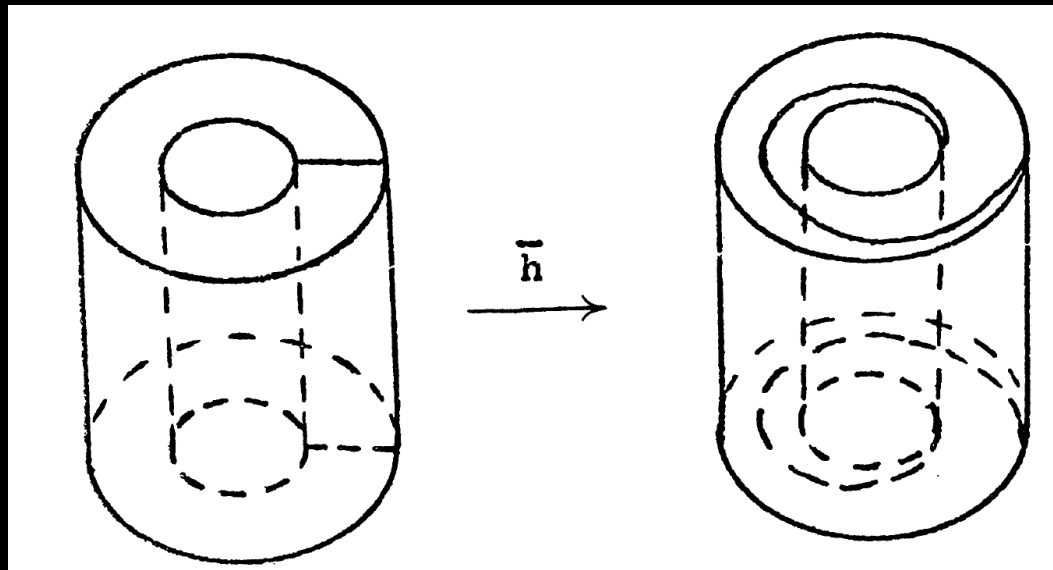
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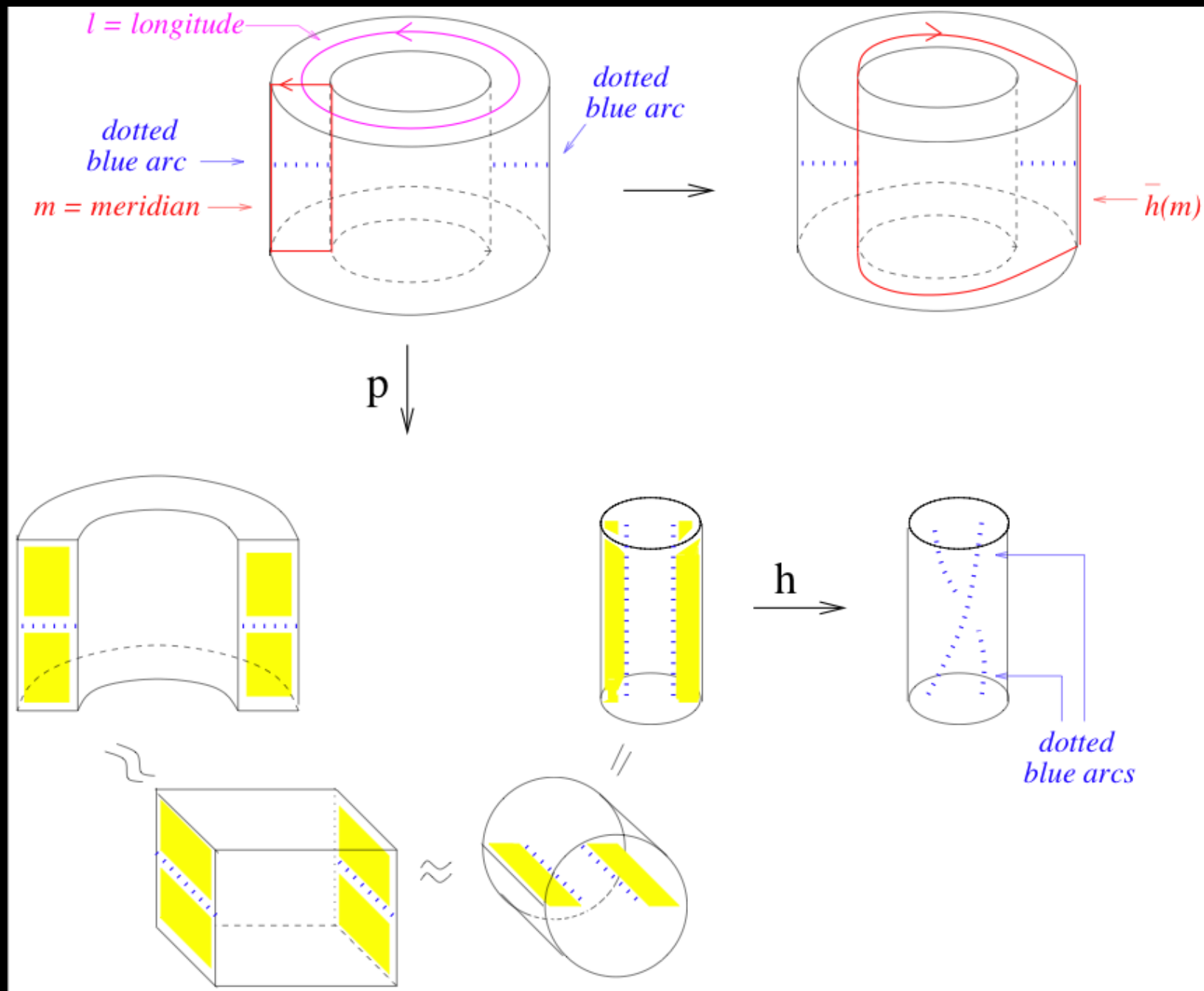


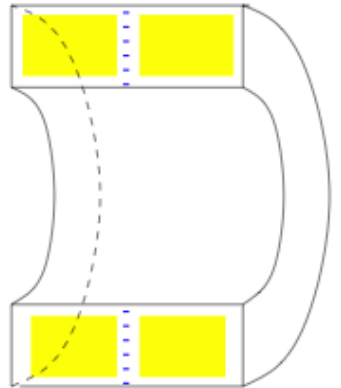
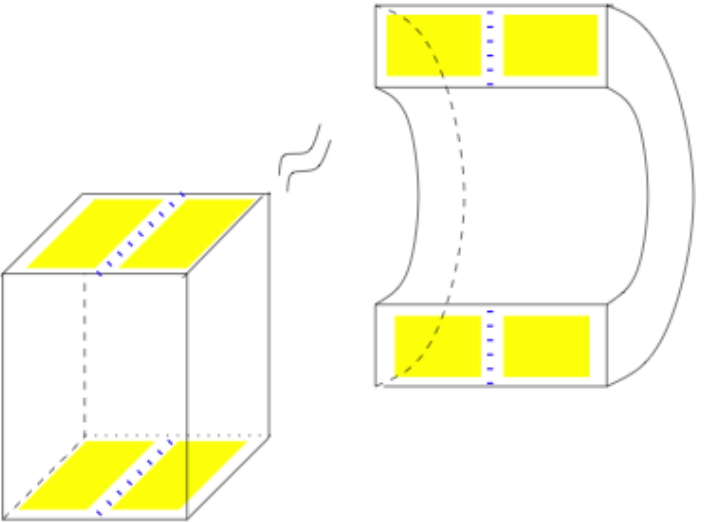
THE UNKNOTTING NUMBER OF A CLASSICAL KNOT

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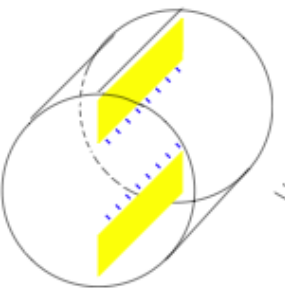


LEMMA 1. *If k has unknotting number equal to one, then M_k is obtained by $n/2$ -surgery on some knot in S^3 , n being an odd integer.*





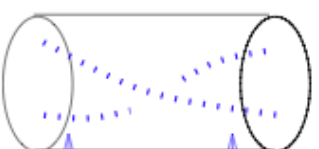
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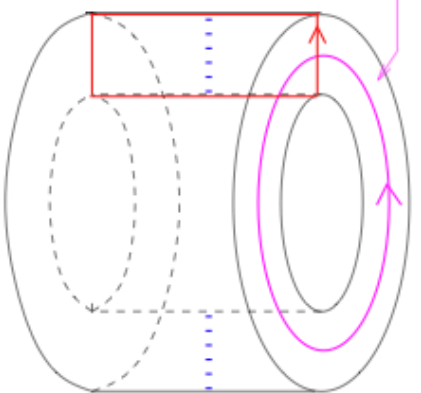


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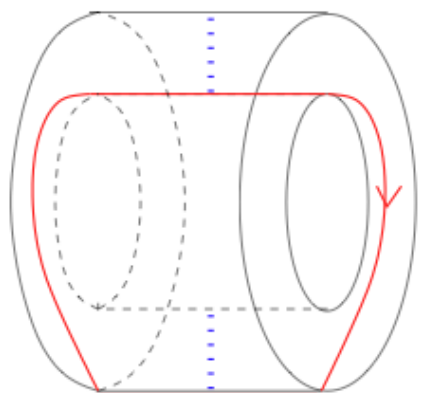


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$\uparrow d$



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$\xrightarrow{h(m)}$

$l = \text{longitude}$

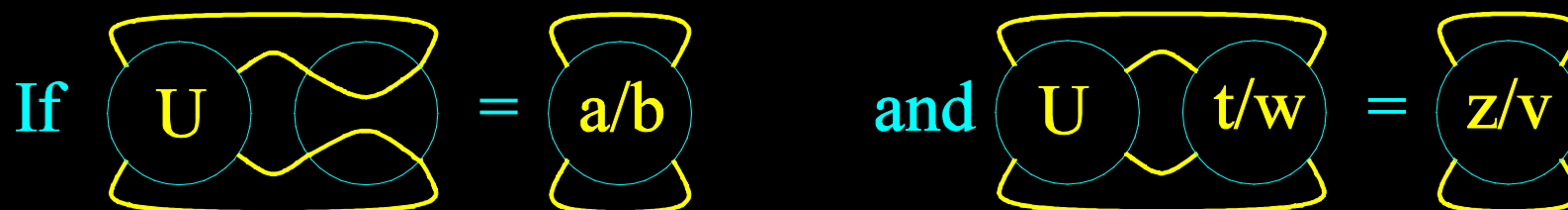
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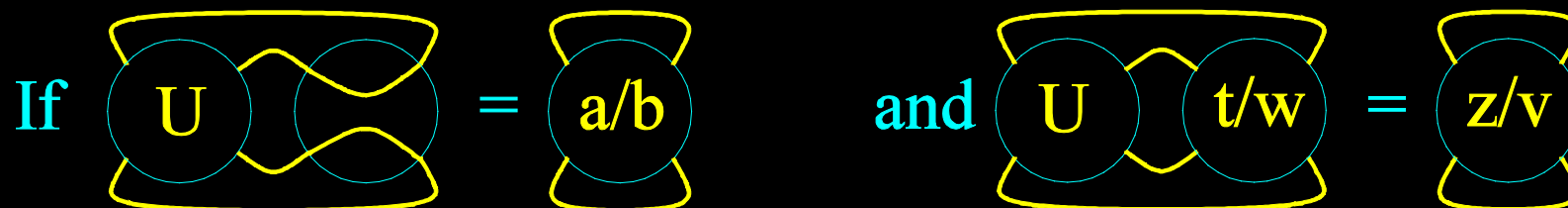
$f(m')$ = curve of slope $r \sim pl + qm$; $r = q/p$,
in terms of a bases: l = longitude and m = meridian of boundary of $N(K)$



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The proof of the Cyclic Surgery Theorem gives a rather stronger result. Let us define a closed 3-manifold L to be *small* if

(*) there exists no incompressible surface in L ; and

(**) there exists no representation of $\pi_1(L)$ into $\mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbf{C})$ with non-cyclic image.

Then in both the statement and proof of the Cyclic Surgery Theorem, the hypothesis that $M(r)$ and $M(s)$ have cyclic fundamental groups may be replaced by the condition that they are small. (A connected sum of two non-trivial lens spaces violates (**)) because a free product of two cyclic groups is Fuchsian and hence embeds in $\mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbf{R})$.)