

# INVARIANTS OF VIRTUAL LINKS

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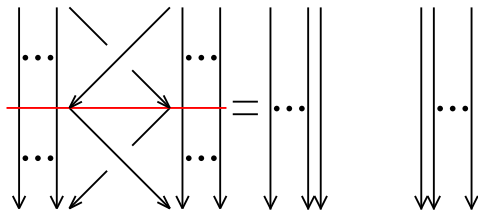
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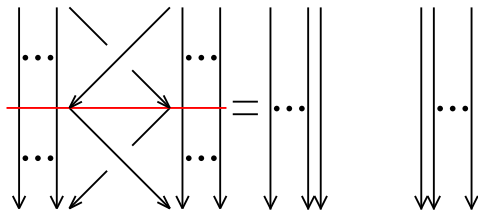


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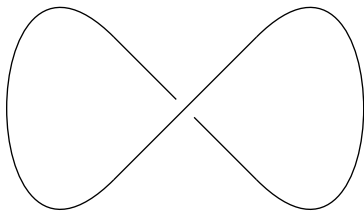


Example:

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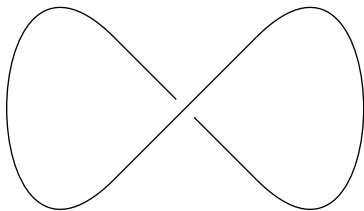
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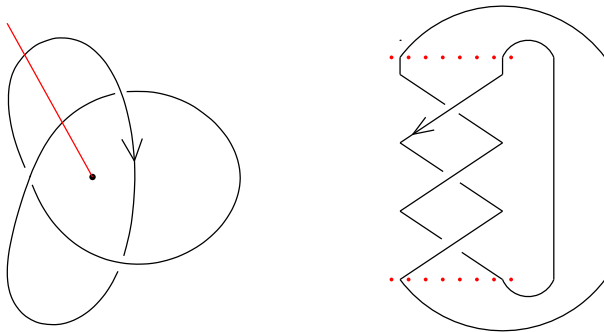


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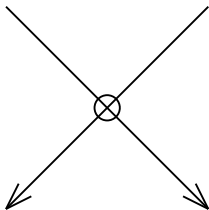
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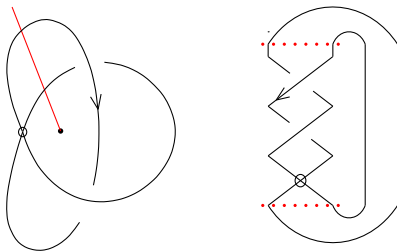
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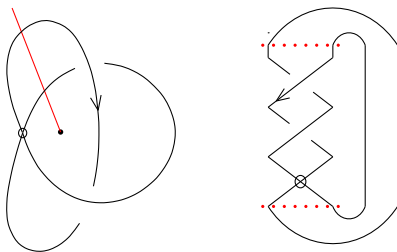


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$r \in \mathbb{Z}, r \neq 0$ .

Note for  $r = 1$  this is the Artin representation.

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