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既約度について

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§ 0. Outline

P : a knot projection

$r(P)$: the **reductivity** of P



Example

$$r(\text{unknot}) = 0 \quad r(\text{trefoil}) = 1 \quad r(\text{figure-eight}) = 2 \quad r(\text{square knot}) = 3$$

Theorem (S.)

$$r(P) \leq 4 \quad (\forall P)$$

Reductivity problem

$$\exists ? P \text{ s.t. } r(P) = 4$$

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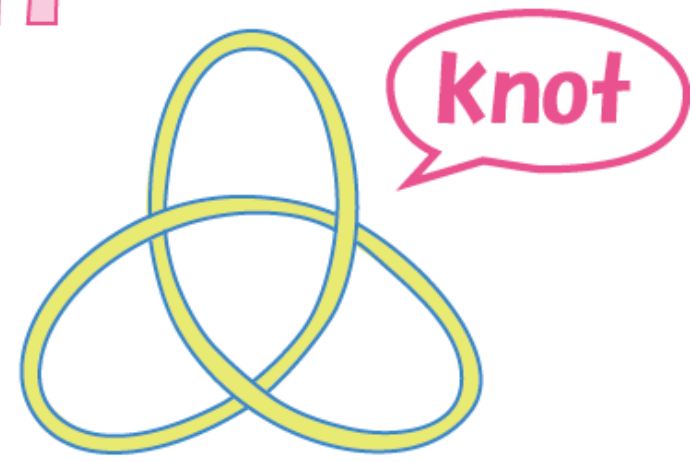
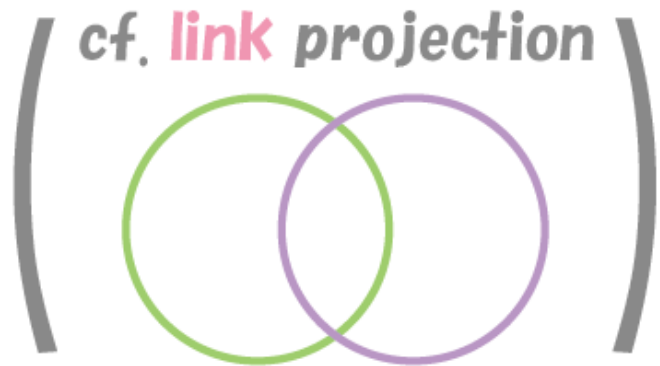
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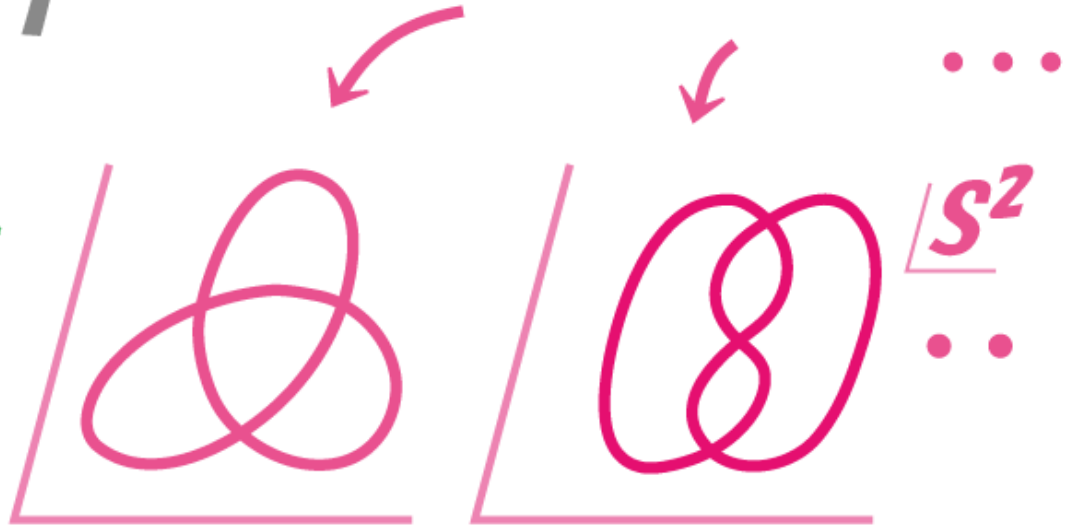


§ 1. *Knot projections*

Knot projection

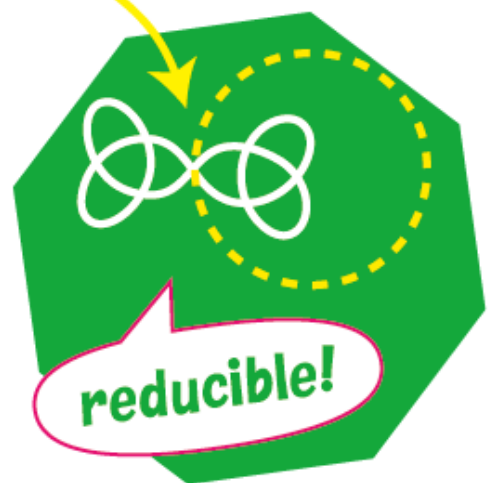


Knot projection
(spherical curve)

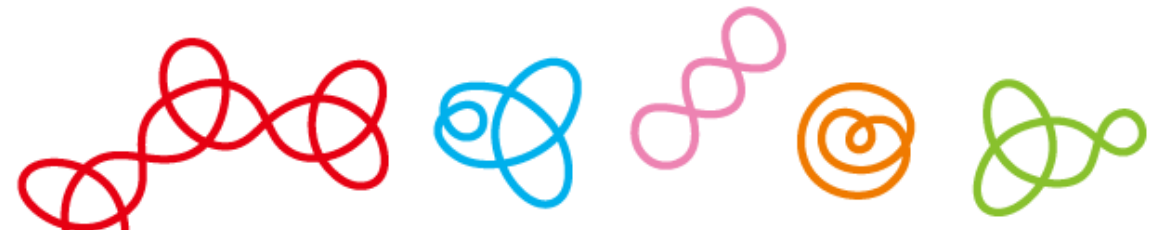


We consider Knot projections which have at least one crossing.

reducible crossing



Knot projections



reducible Knot projections

reduced Knot projections

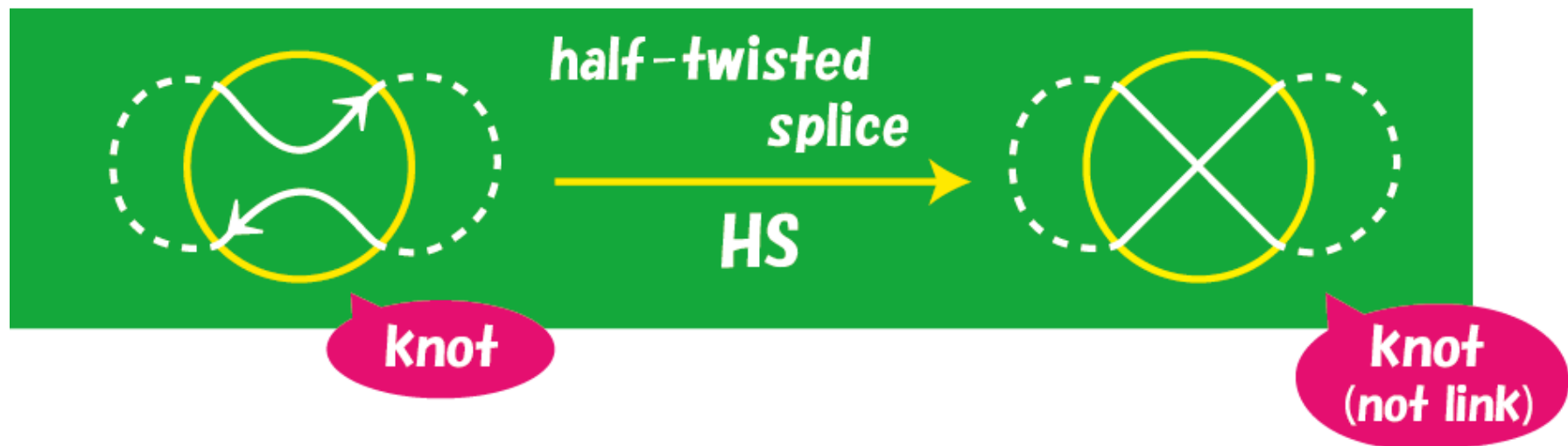


How reduced are we??

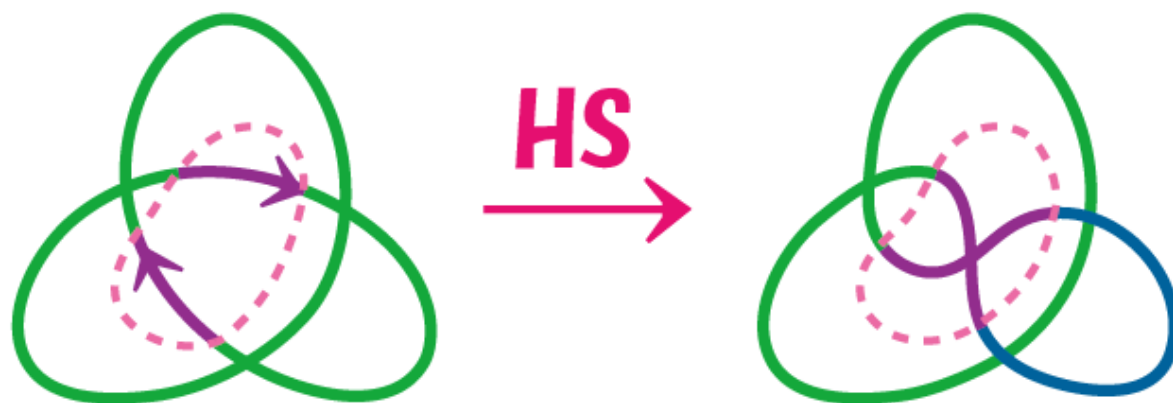


§ 2. Half-twisted splice

Half-twisted splice (HS)



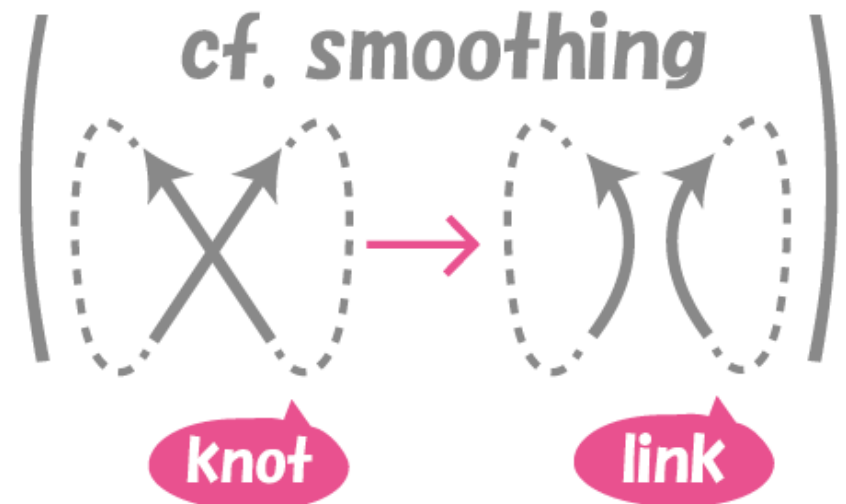
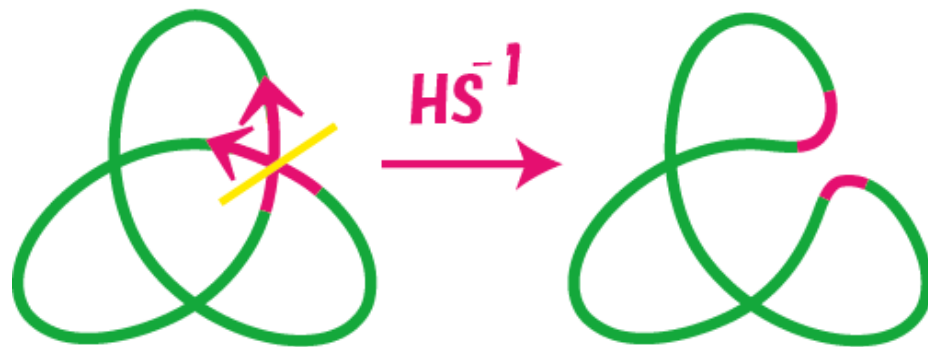
Example



Inverse-half-twisted splice (HS^{-1})

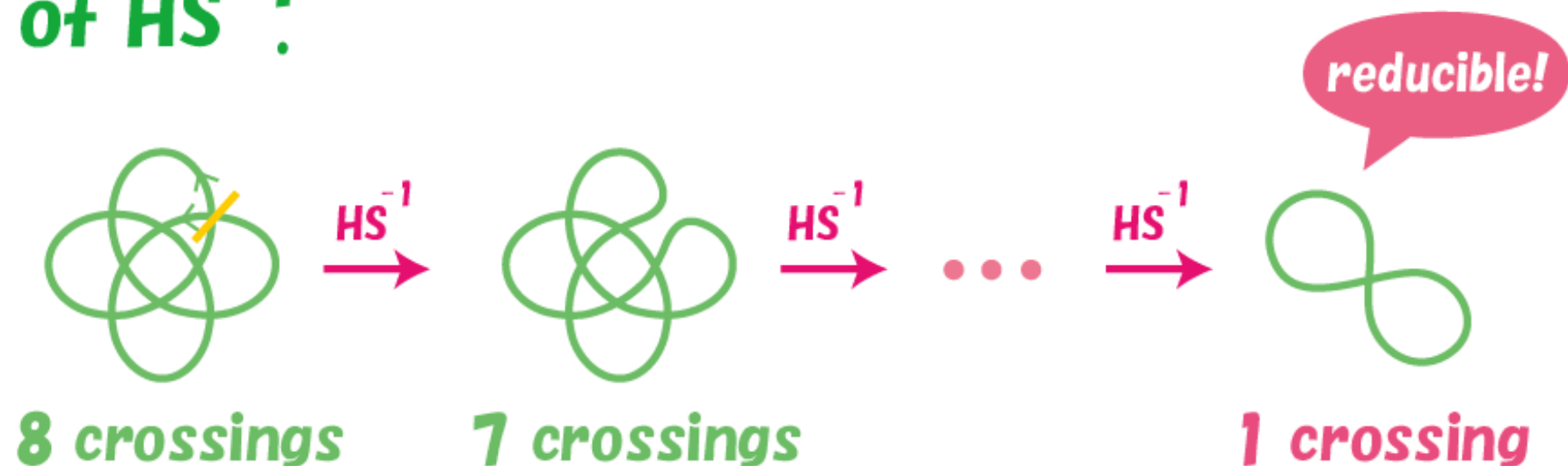


Example



Remark

We can obtain a reducible knot projection from any knot projection by a finite number of HS^{-1} !



§ 3. *Reductivity*

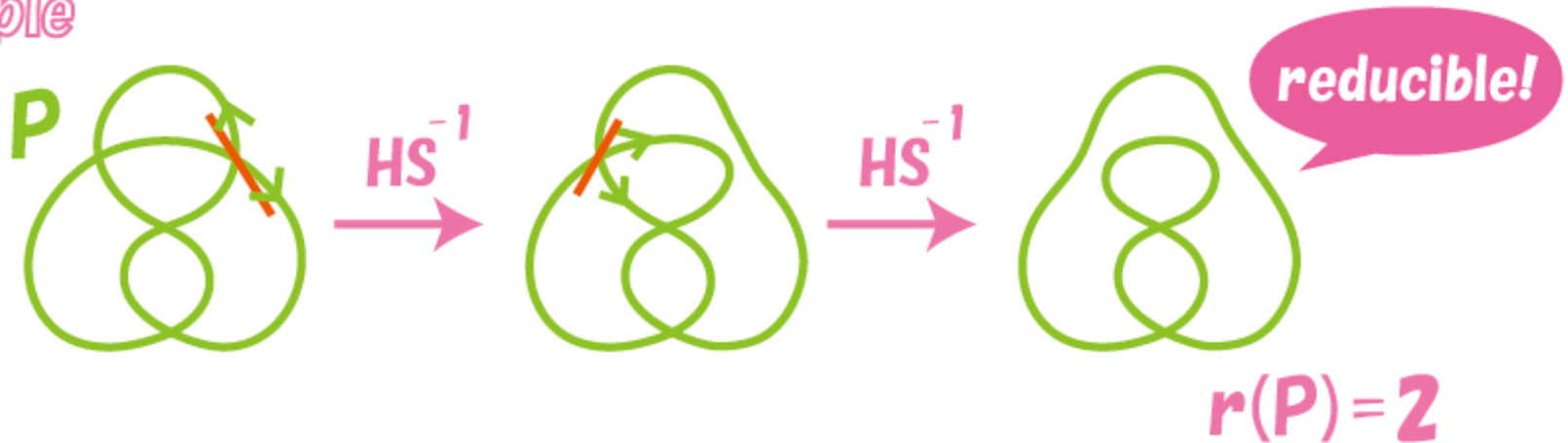


Reductivity -how much reduced??

Definition P : a knot projection

The **reductivity** $r(P)$ of P is the minimal number of HS^{-1} which are needed to obtain a reducible knot projection from P .

Example



Example

$$r\left(\text{Figure 1}\right) = 0 \quad r\left(\text{Figure 2}\right) = 1$$

$$r\left(\text{Figure 3}\right) = 2 \quad r\left(\text{Figure 4}\right) = 3$$



There exist infinitely many Knot *projections* P with $r(P) = 0, 1, 2,$ and 3 .

Reductivity is four or less

Theorem 1 (S)

$$r(P) \leq 4 \quad (\forall P)$$

Reductivity problem

$$\exists? P \text{ s.t. } r(P) = 4$$

Reference: A. Shimizu, The reductivity of spherical curves, *Topology and its Applications* 196 (2015).



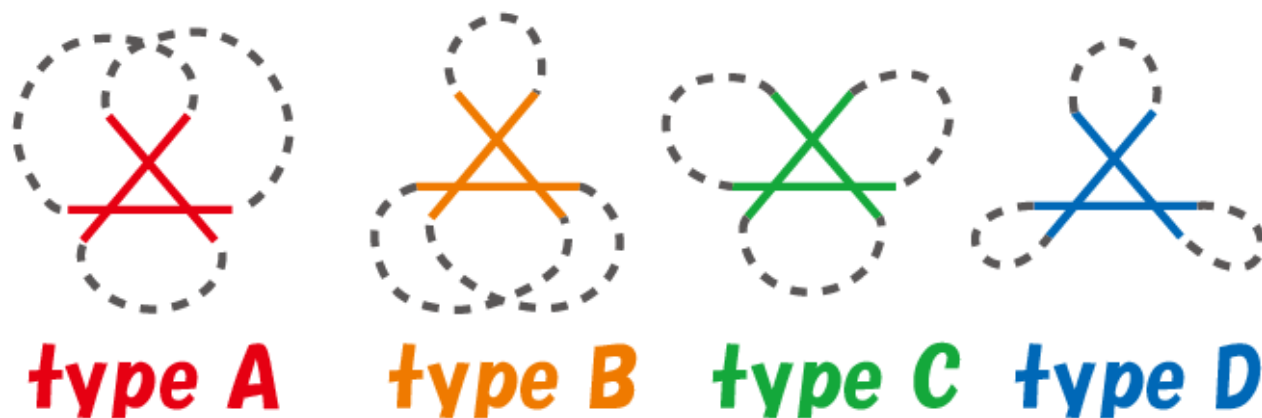
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2-gons & 3-gons

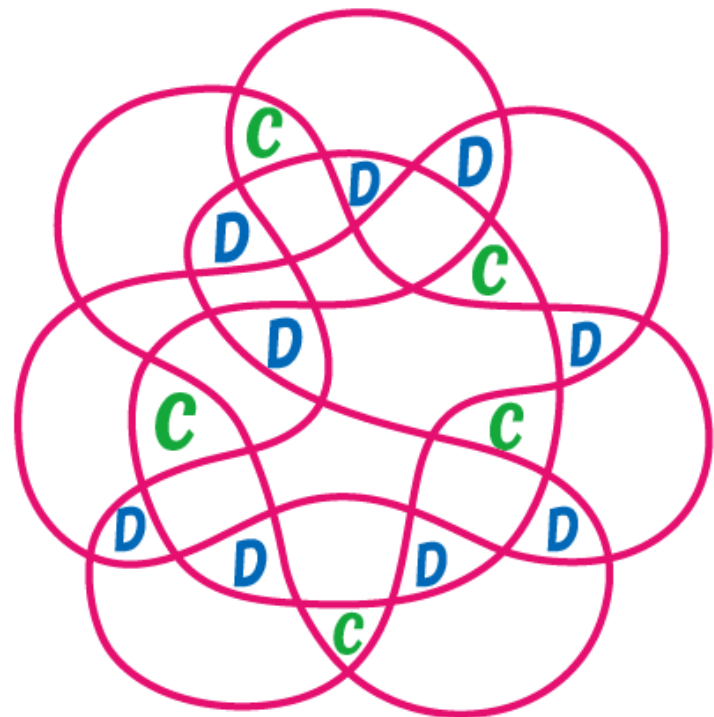
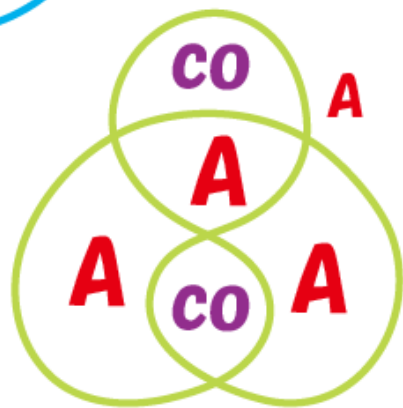
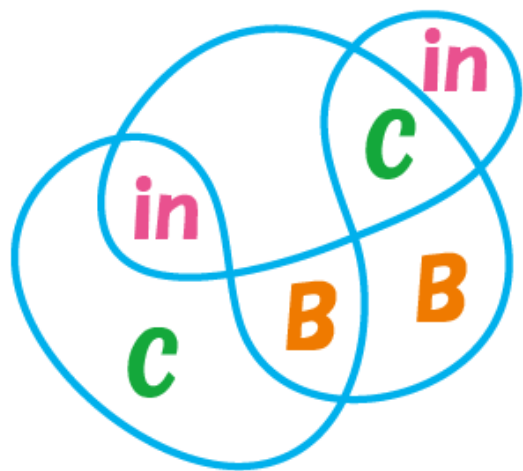
There are two types of 2-gons:



There are four types of 3-gons:



Example



incoherent
2-gon



coherent
2-gon



type A



type B



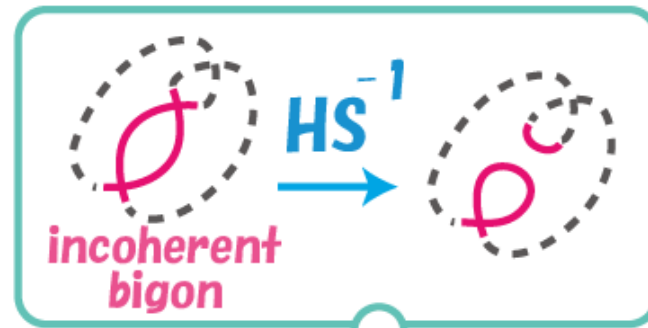
type C



type D

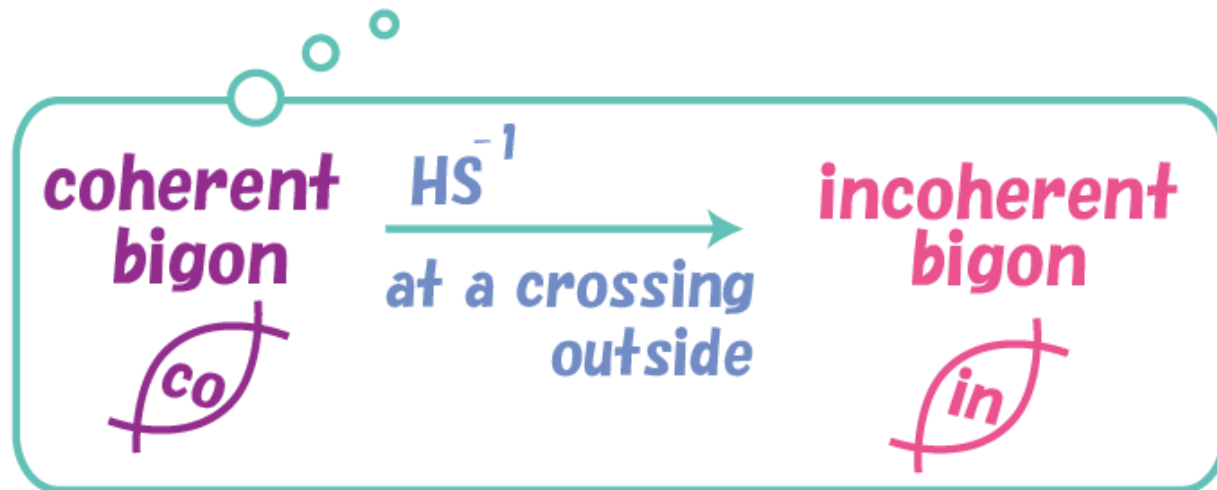
2-gons

Lemma 2



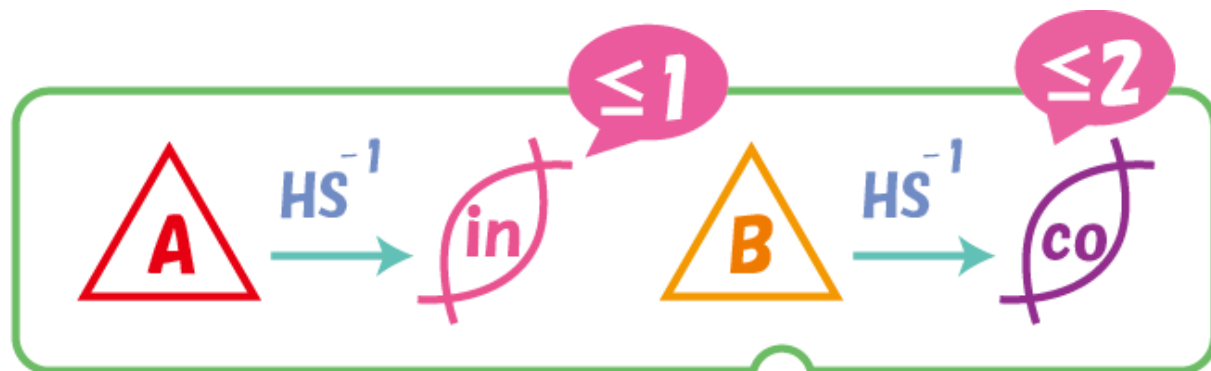
If P has an incoherent 2-gon, then $r(P) \leq 1$.

If P has a coherent 2-gon, then $r(P) \leq 2$.



3-gons

Lemma 3

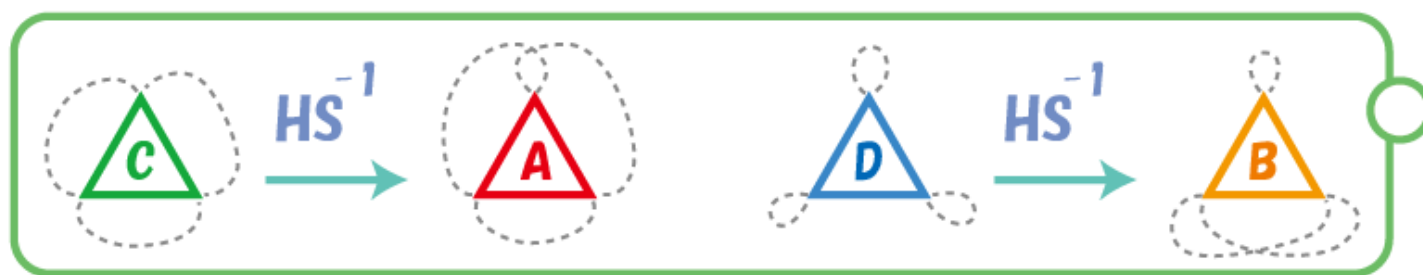


If P has a 3-gon of type A, then $r(P) \leq 2$.

If P has a 3-gon of type B, then $r(P) \leq 3$.

If P has a 3-gon of type C, then $r(P) \leq 3$.

If P has a 3-gon of type D, then $r(P) \leq 4$.



Corollary 4

If P has at least one of



**incoherent
2-gon**



**coherent
2-gon**



**3-gon of
type A**



**3-gon of
type B**



**3-gon of
type C**

then $r(P) \leq 3$.

§ 5. Unavoidable sets



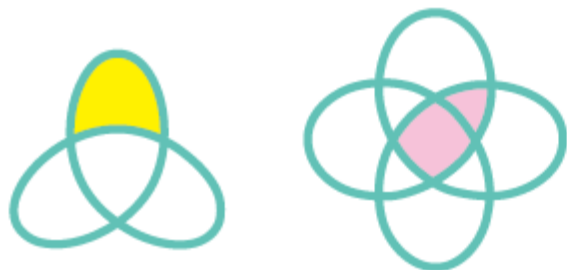
Definition S : a set consisting of parts of Knot projections

S is an **unavoidable set** for a Knot proj. if every Knot projection has at least one of the parts in S .

Example:



is an unavoidable set for a reduced Knot projection.



prove later

AST's theorem

Theorem (Adams–Shinjo–Tanaka)

**Every reduced knot projection has
a 2-gon or 3-gon.**

i.e., $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{⌀} \\ \text{X} \end{array} \right\}$ is an **unavoidable set** for a reduced knot projection.

Reference: C. C. Adams, R. Shinjo and K. Tanaka,
Complementary regions of knot and link diagrams,
Ann. Comb. 15 (2011), 549–563.

Proof of AST's theorem

P: a reduced knot projection

C_n : the number of n -gons of P

Euler's
characteristic

$$v - e + f = 2$$

of crossings

$$\sum_k \frac{k C_k}{4}$$



of edges

$$\sum_k \frac{k C_k}{2}$$



of regions

$$\sum_k C_k$$



$$\rightarrow 2C_2 + C_3 = 8 + C_5 + 2C_6 + 3C_7 + \dots$$

$$\rightarrow C_2 > 0 \text{ or } C_3 > 0$$

AST's formula



Proof of Theorem 1 [←] "reductivity is four or less"

If P is reducible, then $r(P) = 0$.

(by definition)

If P is reduced, P has a 2-gon or 3-gon.

(by AST's theorem)

If P has a 2-gon, then $r(P) \leq 2$.

(by Lemma 2)

If P has a 3-gon, then $r(P) \leq 4$.

(by Lemma 3)



Further unavoidable set

Lemma 5

$$\left\{ \rho, \times\phi, \times\lambda, \times\mu, \times\nu \right\}$$

**is an unavoidable set
for a reduced knot projection.**

Proof of Lemma 5

Use the “**discharging method**”
from graph theory
(**four-color theorem**)!

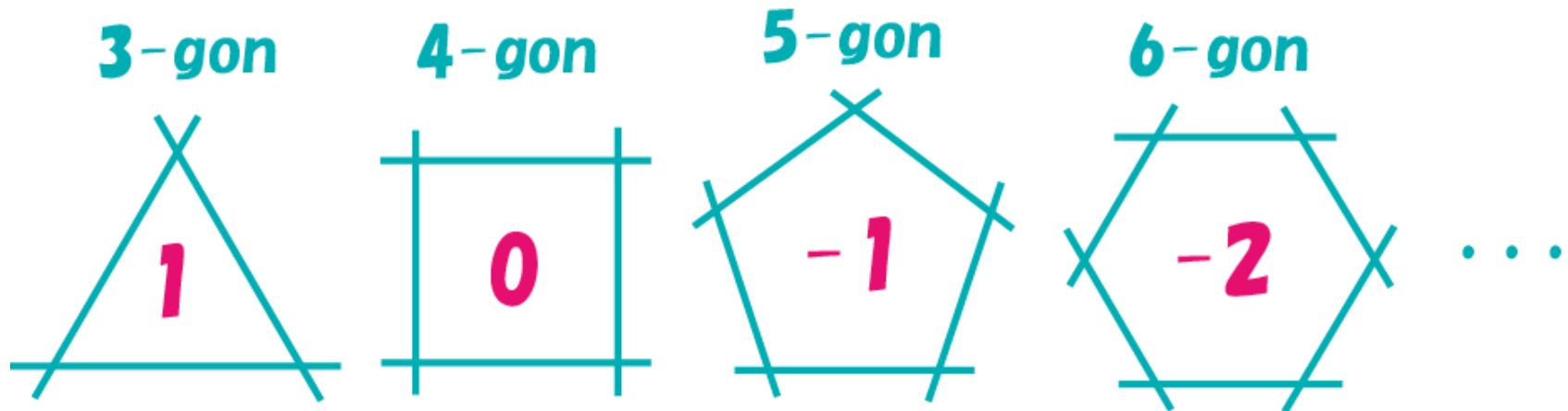
P: a reduced knot projection

Assume P does not have any part in

$\{ \text{diagram 1}, \text{diagram 2}, \text{diagram 3}, \text{diagram 4}, \text{diagram 5} \}.$

Then, ...

Give "charge" $(4-n)$ to each n -gon.



Then the total charge is...

C_n : the number of n -gons

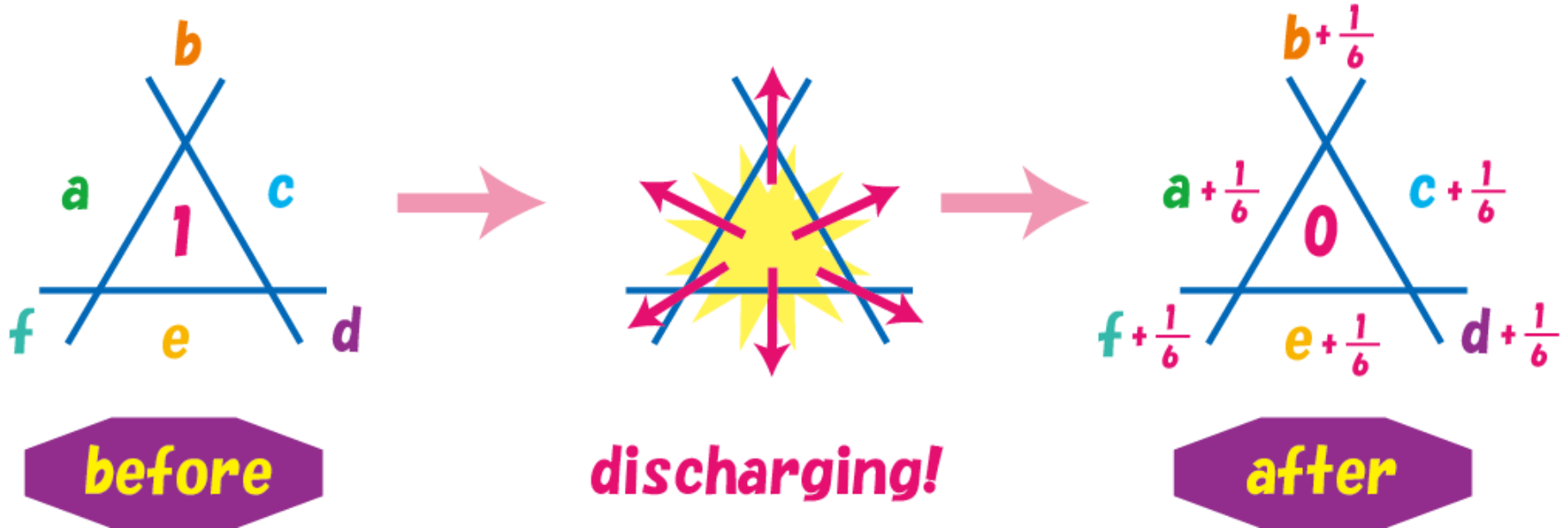
$$C_3 - C_5 - 2C_6 - 3C_7 - \dots$$

$$= 8$$

AST's formula

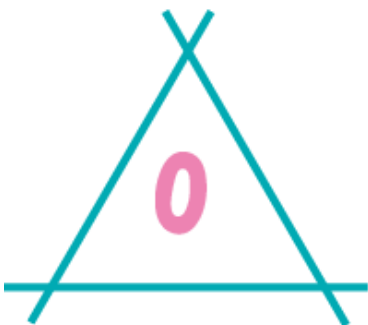
$$2C_2 + C_3 = 8 + C_5 + 2C_6 + 3C_7 + \dots$$

“Discharging” at every 3-gon
to the neighbor six regions by $\frac{1}{6}$.

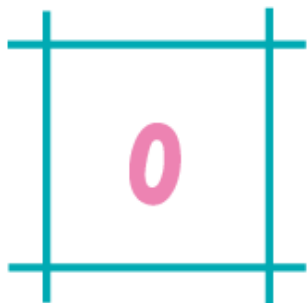


After discharging...

3-gon



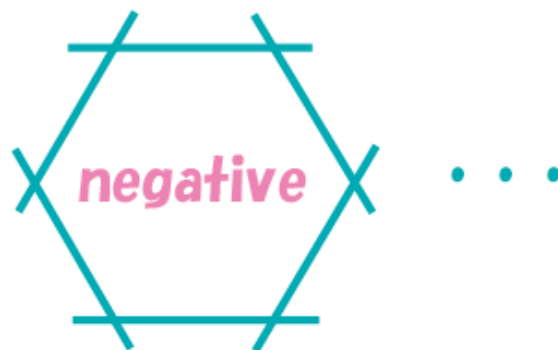
4-gon



5-gon



6-gon



Contradicts that the total charge is 8.

Hence $\{\varnothing, \times\phi, \times\#1, \times\#2, \times\#3\}$ is an un-

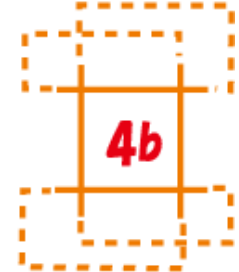
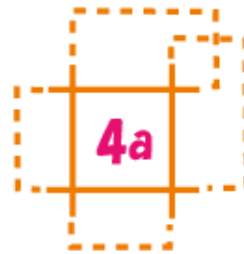
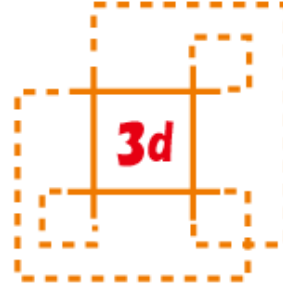
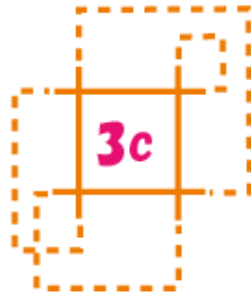
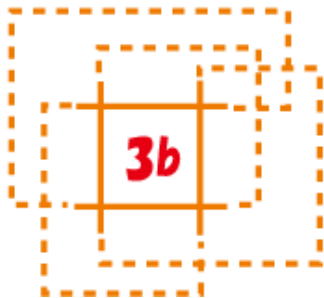
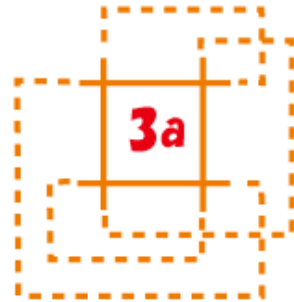
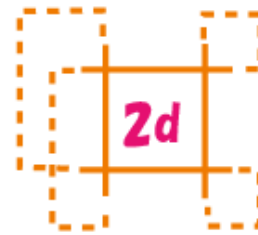
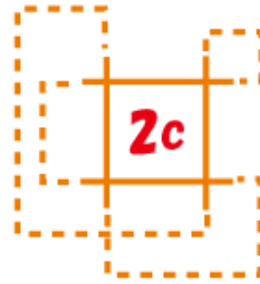
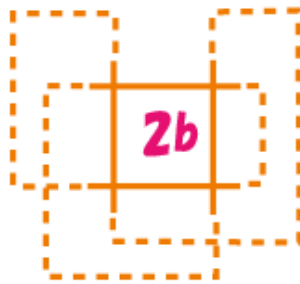
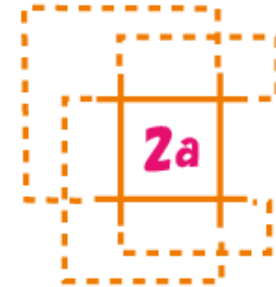
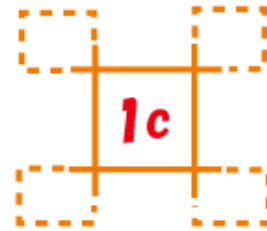
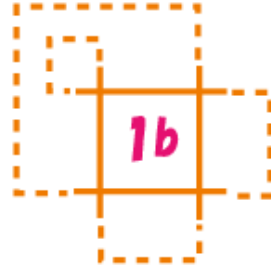
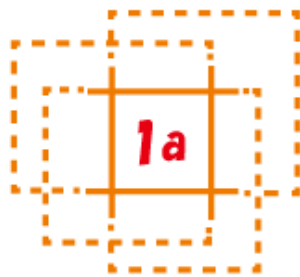
avoidable set for a reduced Knot proj.

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§ 6. 4-gons & 5-gons

4-gons

There are **13** types of 4-gons:



Lemma 6

If a knot projection P has one of

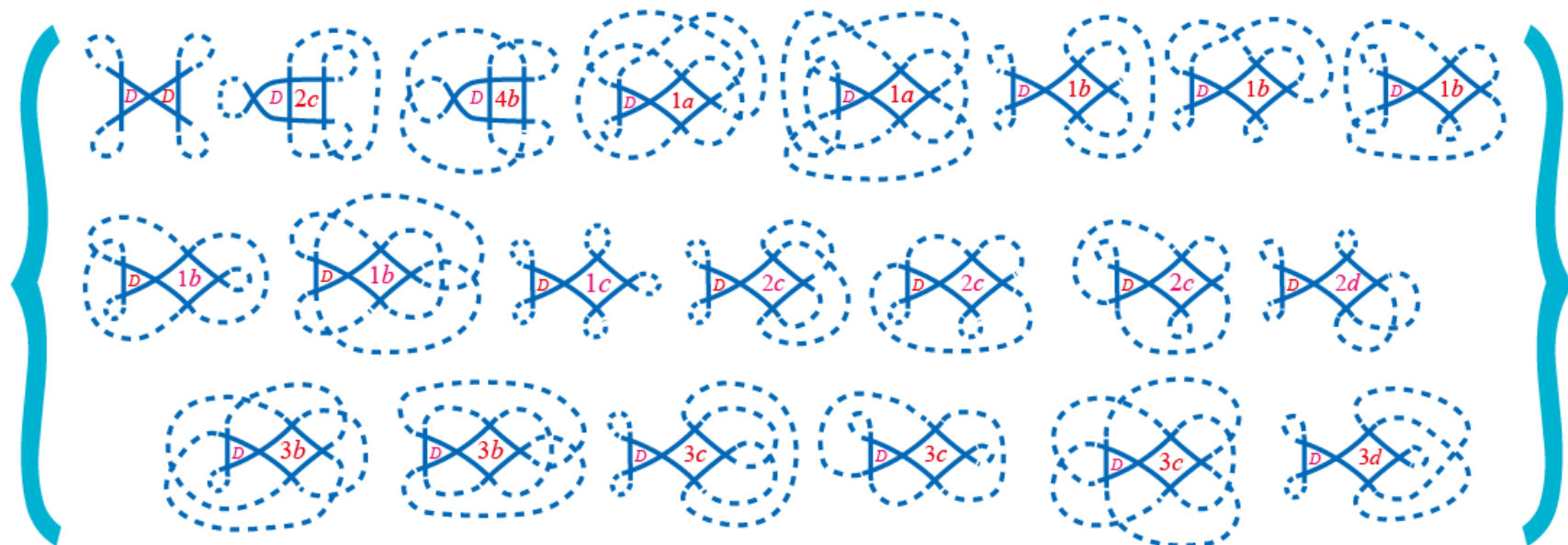


then $r(P) \leq 3$.



Unavoidable set for P with $r(P)=4$

Theorem 7 (Onoda-S)



is an unavoidable set for a knot projection
with reductivity four.



Reference: Y. Onoda and A. Shimizu, The reductivity of spherical curves Part II: 4-gons, Tokyo J. Math. 41 (2018), 51–63.

5-gons

There are **56** types of 5-gons:



1abcde 1abcde 1abdec 1abdec 1acebd 1acedb 1adbce 1aedcb



2abcde 2abcde 2abdce 2abdce 2abecd 2abecd 2acbde 2acbde 2acebd 2acedb 2adbce 2adbce 2adcbe 2adcbe 2aedbc 2aedbc



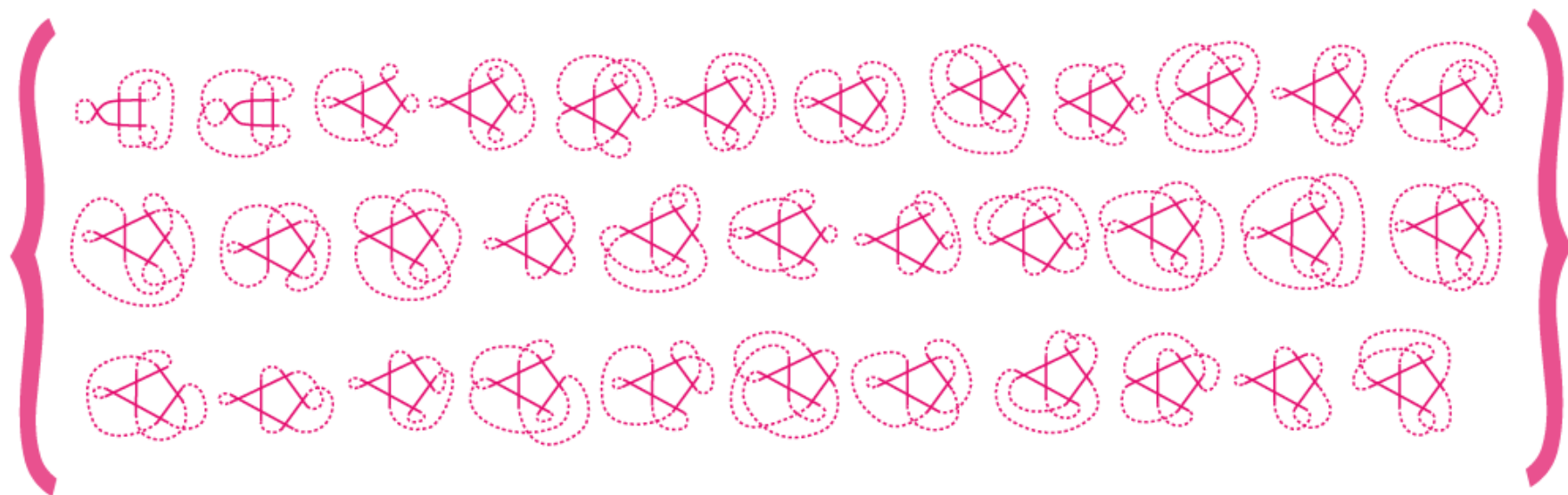
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Unavoidable set for P with $r(P)=4$

Theorem 8 (Kashiwabara-S)



**is an unavoidable set for a knot projection
with reductivity four.**



Reference: K. Kashiwabara and A. Shimizu, A note on unavoidable sets for a spherical curve of reductivity four, preprint

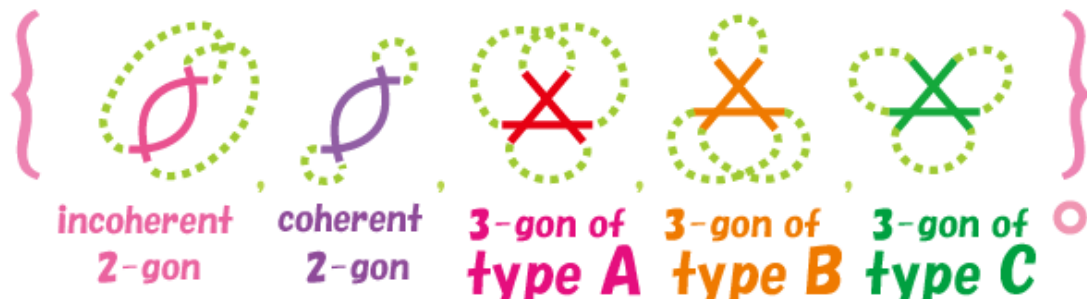
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**§ 7. 2-gons & 3-gons
again**

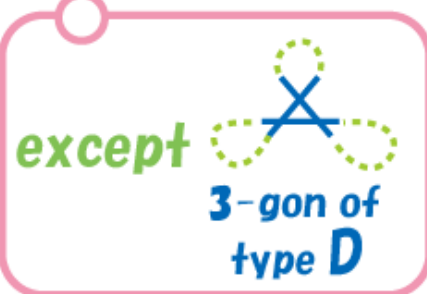
Question

Is



an unavoidable set

for a reduced knot projection?

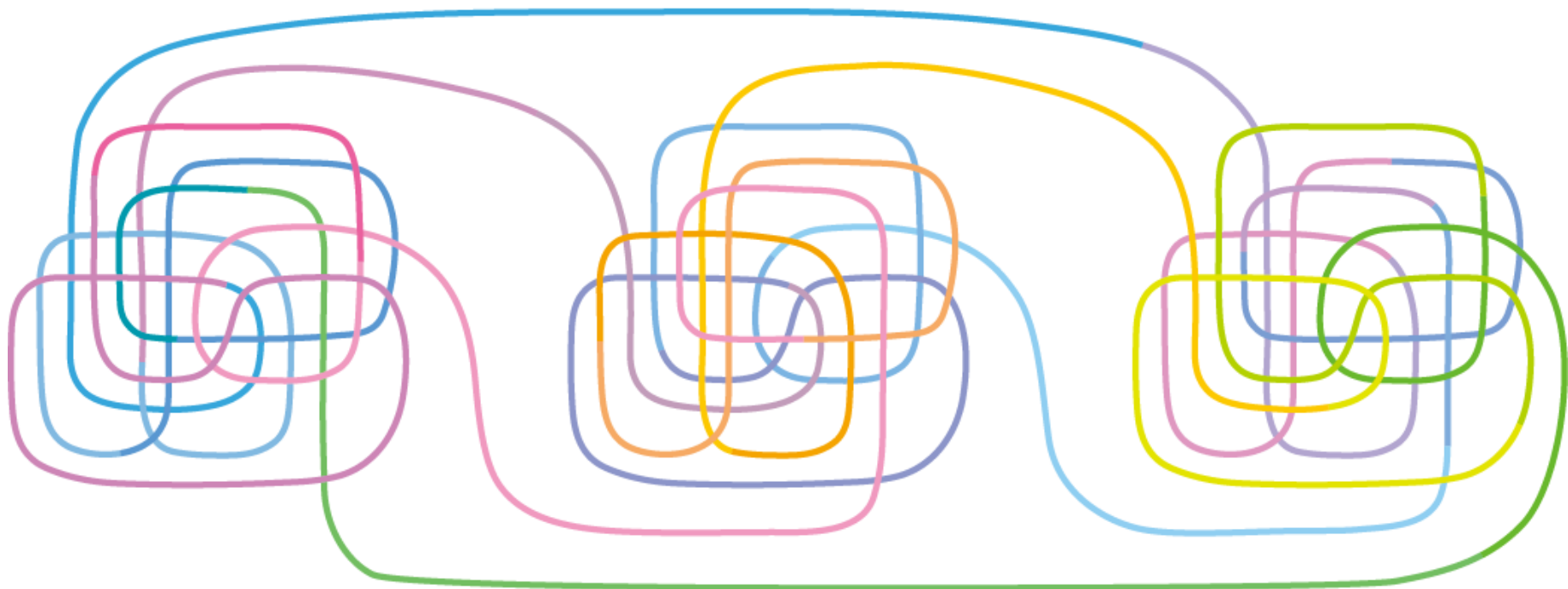


(If so, the reductivity problem is to be solved negatively, i.e., $r(P) \leq 3$ for any P .)

NO!

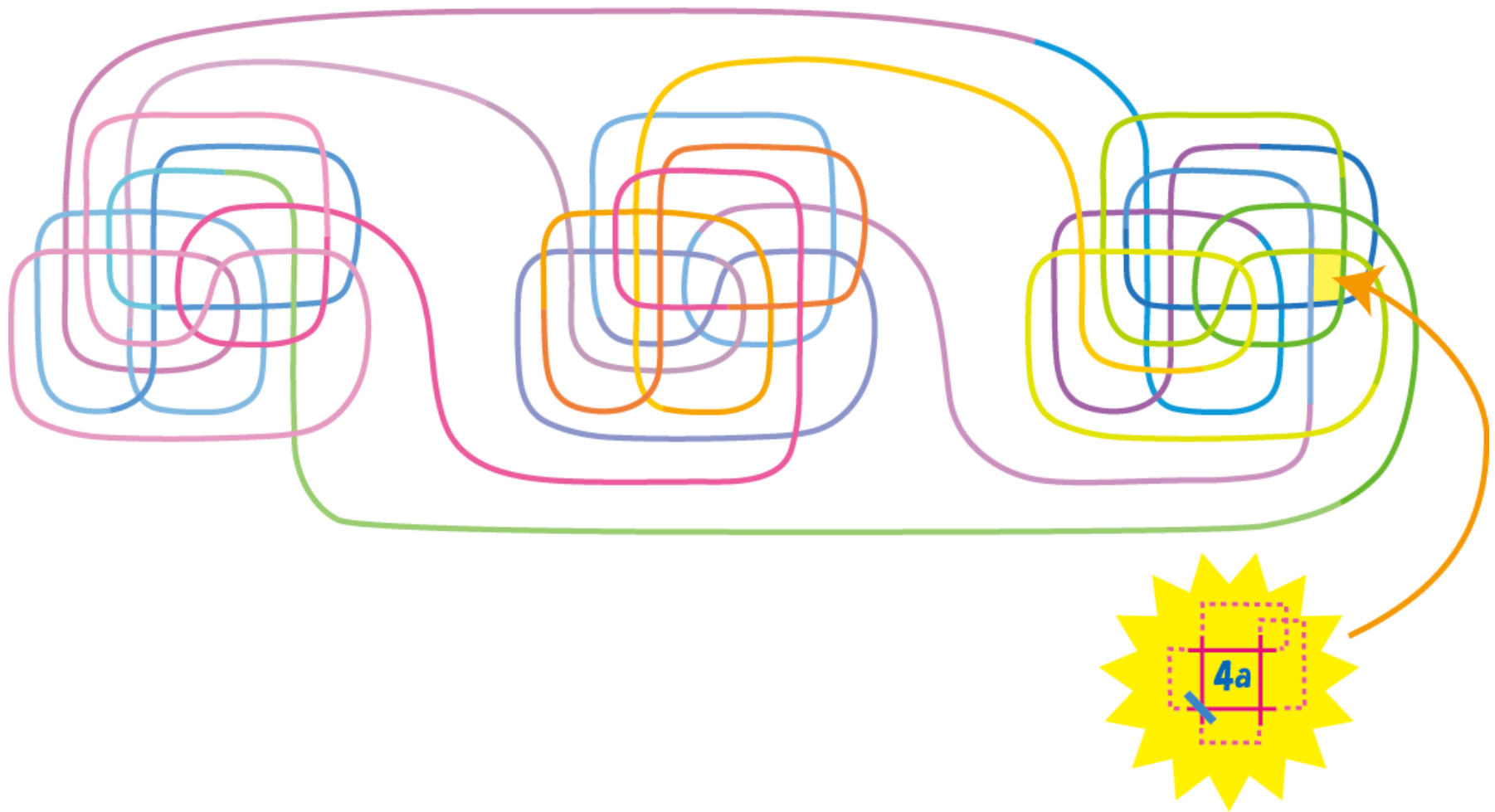
This does not have  or ,

and has only .



Reference: K. Kashiwabara and A. Shimizu, *A note on unavoidable sets for a knot projection of reductivity four*, preprint.

However, the reductivity is not four!



to be continued...(?)

Thank you

for listening!

