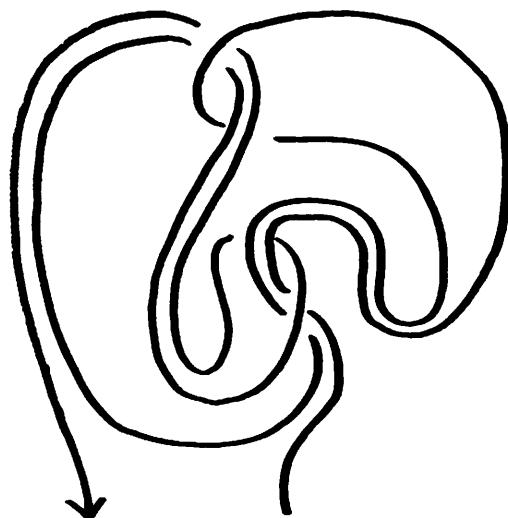


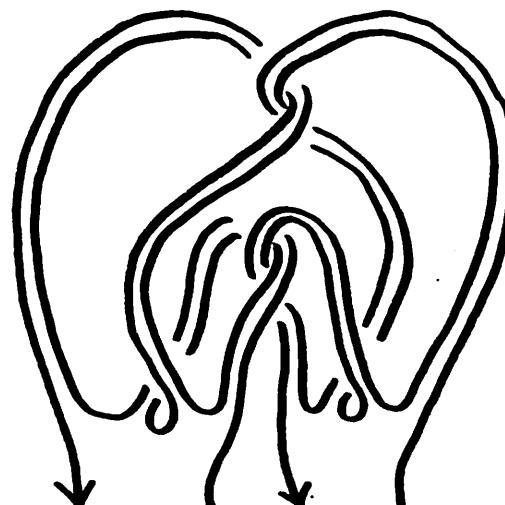
On the universal  $sl_2$  invariant of bottom tangles

Knots in Poland III

Sakie Suzuki (RIMS)



ribbon



boundary



brunnian

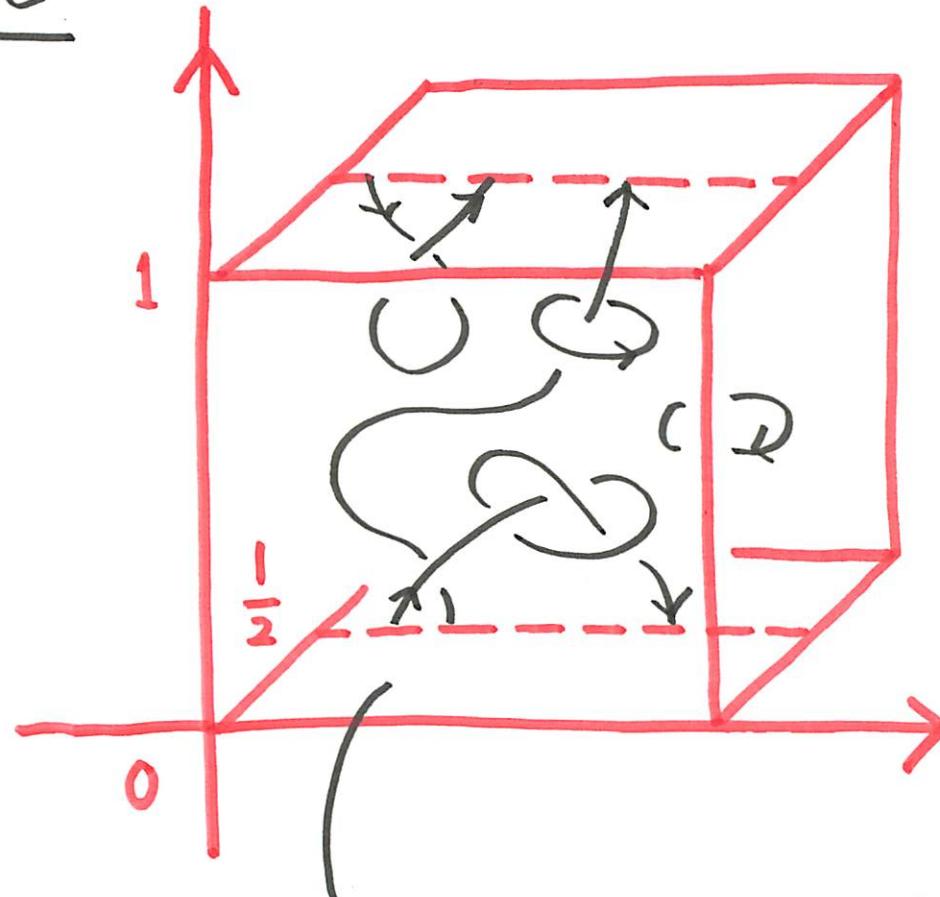
Today's plan

1. Tangles and bottom tangles { boundary  
ribbon  
brunnian
2. Motivation
3. The universal  $sl_2$  invariant
4. Main theorems and applications
5. Conjectures on Milnor invariants
6. Proof

## Tangle in a cube

ex)

$$\coprod^3 [0,1] \coprod^2 S^1 \xrightarrow{\text{emb}}$$



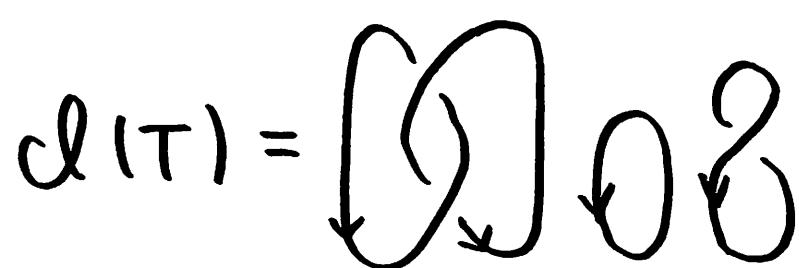
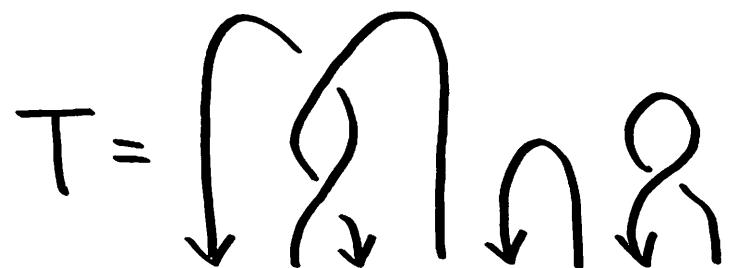
$$\text{end pts} \subset [0,1] \times \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \right\} \times [0,1]$$

• Orientation

• framing

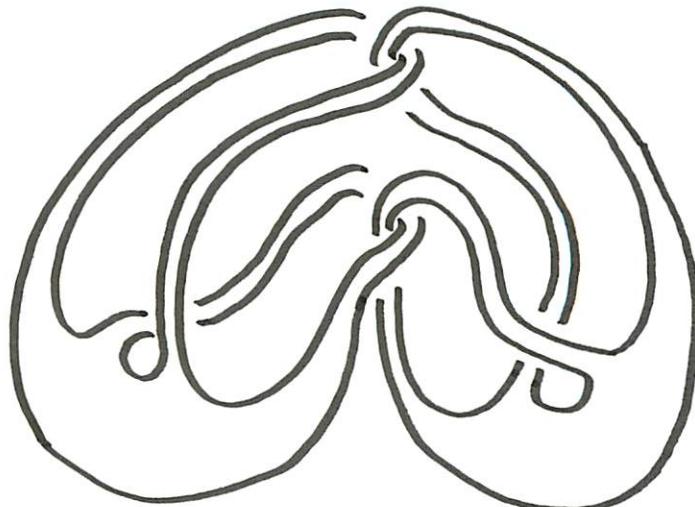
Bottom tangle ... tangle in a cube

- only arc components
- end points are on the bottom  $[0,1] \times \{\frac{1}{2}\} \times \{0\}$
- two end points of an arc are adjacent
- every arc starts from the right  
and travels to the left



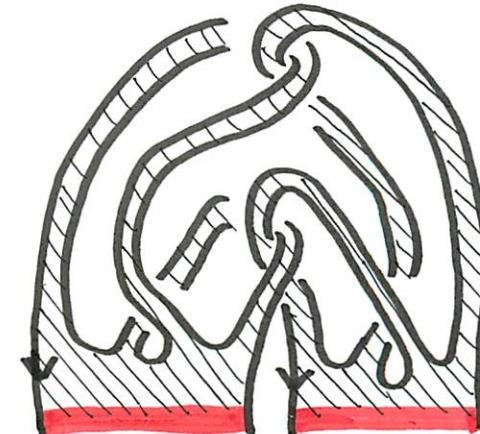
## A boundary link

$\Leftrightarrow$  A link whose components  
 def bound mutually disjoint  
 Seifert surfaces in  $S^3$



## A boundary bottom tangle $T$

$\Leftrightarrow$  A bottom tangle s.t. the  
 def components of  $\bar{T}$  bound mutually  
 disjoint Seifert surfaces in  $[0,1]^3$

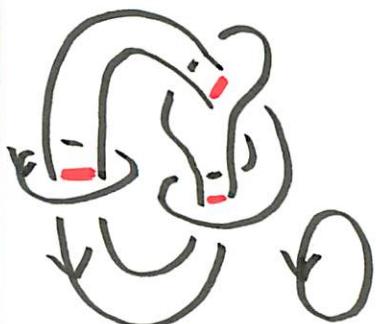


\*  $\bar{T}$ : the link obtained from  $T$  by closing it with  
 the line segments in the bottom.

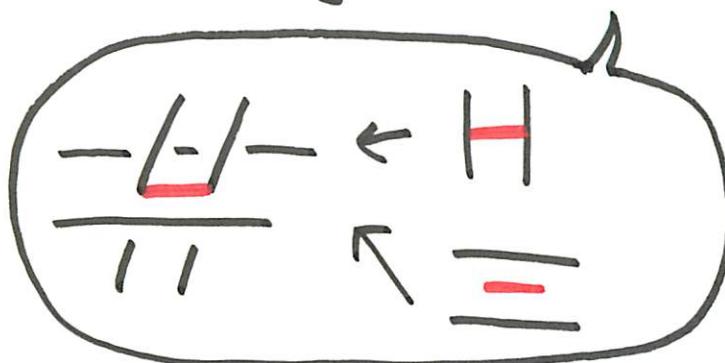
## A ribbon link

def

↔ A link which bounds the image of an immersion with only ribbon singularities



$$DU \dots \cup D \hookrightarrow S^3$$



## A ribbon bottom tangle

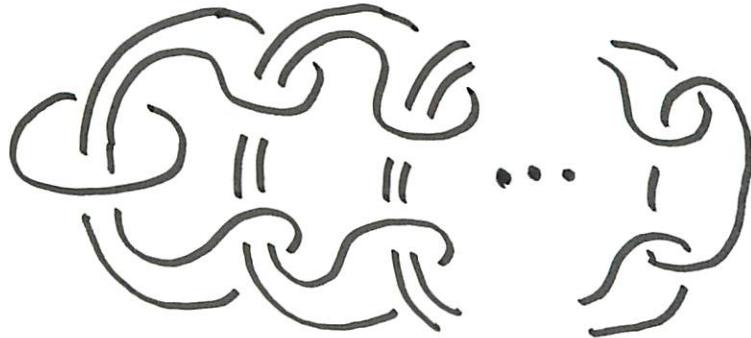
def

↔ A bottom tangle whose closure is a ribbon link

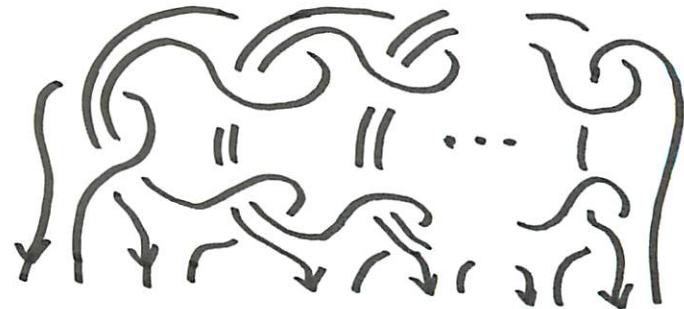


A brunnian link

$\Leftrightarrow$  def A link whose proper sublinks are trivial.

A brunnian bottom tangle

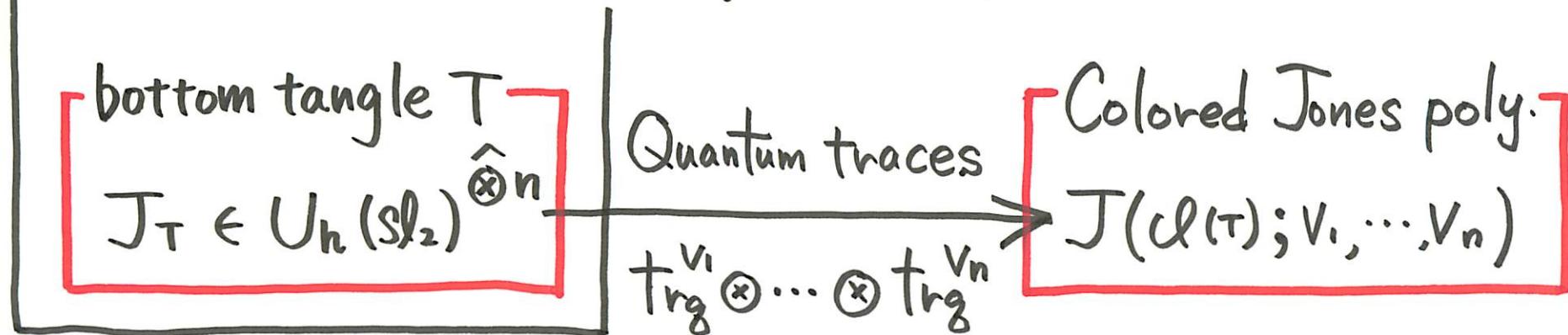
$\Leftrightarrow$  def A bottom tangle whose proper subtangles are trivial.



\* a trivial bottom tangle  $\Leftrightarrow \sqcap \sqcap \dots \sqcap$

Motivation: "Good" understanding of the  
univ.  $sl_2$  inv. of bottom tangles

Univ.  $sl_2$  inv. (Laurence, Ohtsuki)



\*  $V_1, \dots, V_n$ : finite dimensional representations of  $U_h(sl_2)$

- Topological information (boundary, ribbon, brunnian)
- Relationship to the other link inv. (Milnor invariants)

The quantum group  $U_h = U_h(sl_2) \otimes [[h]]$

generators :  $H, E, F,$

relations :  $HE - EH = 2E, HF - FH = -2F,$

$$EF - FE = \frac{K - K^{-1}}{q^{1/2} - q^{-1/2}}$$

where  $q = \exp h, K = \exp \frac{hH}{2}$

\* We can equip  $U_h$  with  
a complete ribbon Hopf algebra structure.

# Ribbon Hopf algebra $\mathcal{R}_k$ $U = (U, \mu, \eta, \Delta, \varepsilon, S, R, \theta)$

- Hopf algebra

$$\mu: U \otimes U \rightarrow U$$

$$\eta: k \rightarrow U$$

$$\Delta: U \rightarrow U \otimes U$$

$$\varepsilon: U \rightarrow k$$

$$S: U \rightarrow U$$

with

- $R \in U \otimes U$  : invertible

$$R \Delta(x) R^{-1} = \Delta^{\text{op}}(x) \quad \forall x \in U$$

$$(1 \otimes \Delta) R = R_{13} R_{12}$$

$$(\Delta \otimes 1) R = R_{13} R_{23}$$

- $\theta \in U$  : central, invertible

$$\Delta(\theta) = (\theta \otimes \theta)(R_{21} R)^{-1}$$

$$S(\theta) = \theta, \quad \varepsilon(\theta) = 1$$

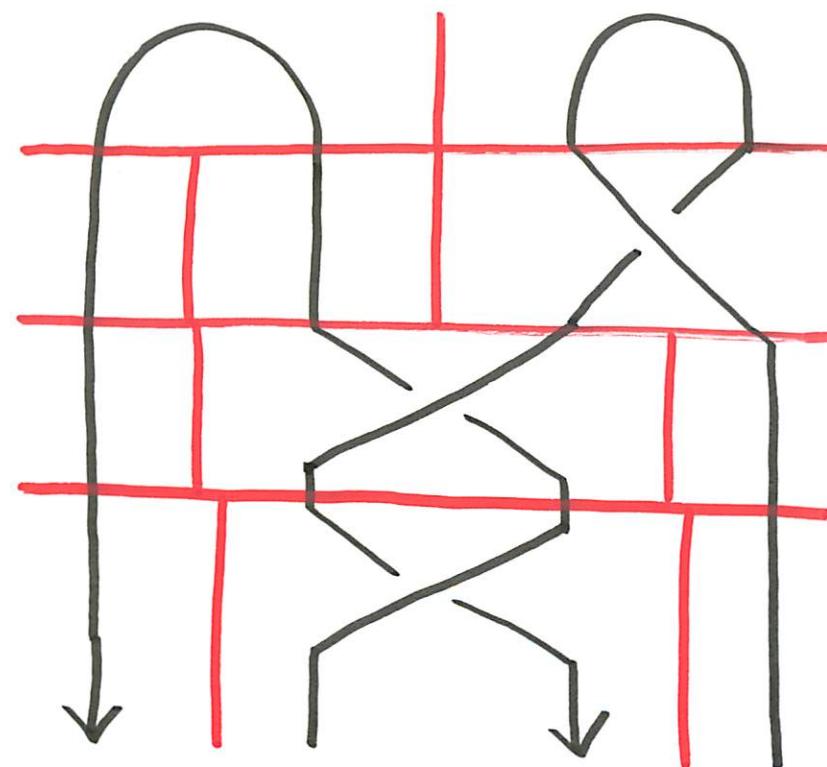
# Universal $sl_2$ invariant $J_T$

of a bottom tangle  $T = T_1 \cup \dots \cup T_n$

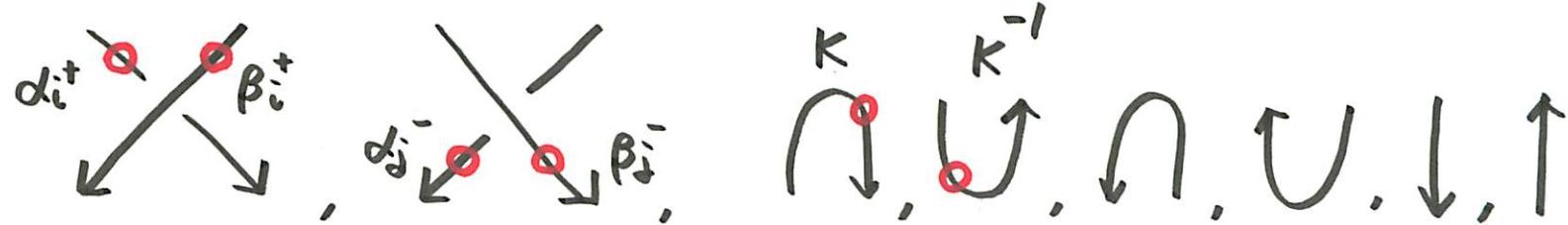
Step 1. Choose a diagram with  $\times, \times, \cap, \cup, |$

$\langle ex \rangle$

$$T = \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram} \\ \sim \end{array}$$

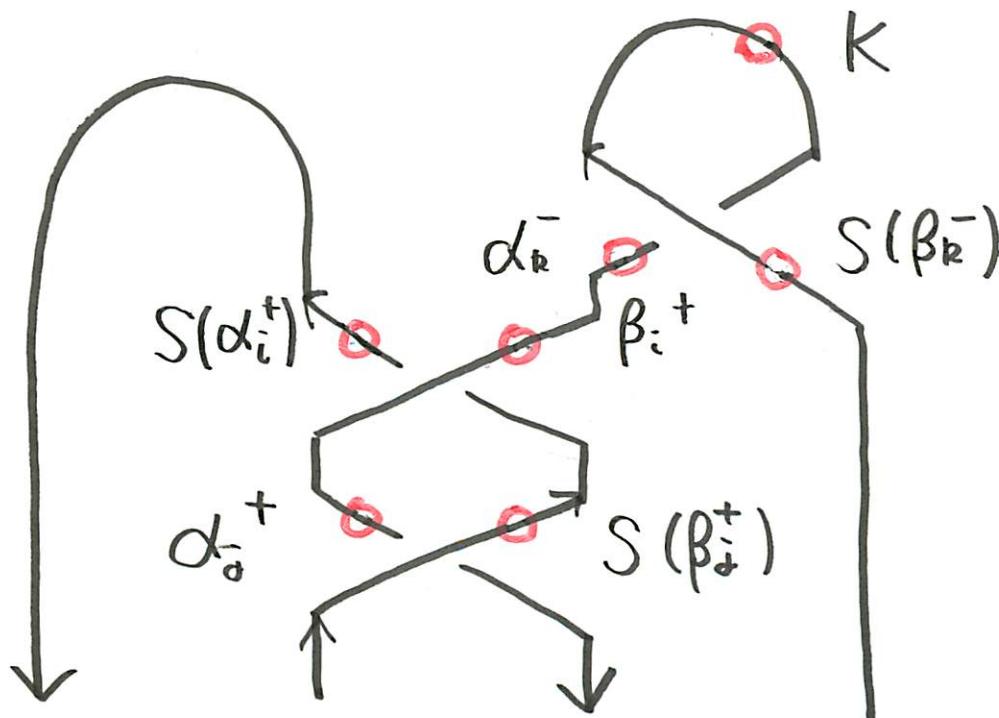


Step 2. Put labels.  $(R^{\pm 1} = \sum_i \alpha_i^{\pm} \otimes \beta_i^{\pm})$



(Apply "S" if a strand is oriented upward)

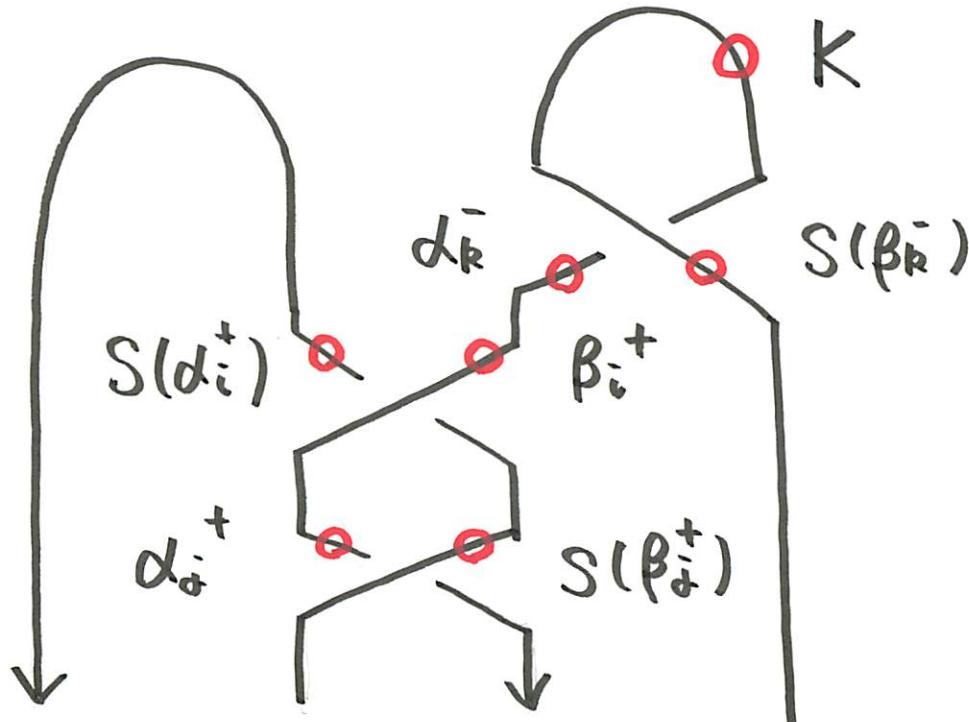
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Step 3

Read the labels, take the tensors,  
and take the sums over the indices.

$\langle ex \rangle$



$$J_T = \sum_{i,j,k} S(d_i^+) S(\beta_j^+) \otimes d_j^+ \beta_i^+ d_k^- k S(\beta_k^-) \in V_n \hat{\otimes}^2$$

Notations

- $[i]_g = \frac{g^i - 1}{g - 1}$ ,  $[i]_g! = [i]_g [i-1]_g \cdots [1]_g$ ,
- $e = (g^{1/2} - g^{-1/2})E$ ,  $\tilde{F}^{(i)} = \frac{F^i K^i}{[i]_g!}$ , ( $i \geq 0$ )
- $D = g^{\frac{1}{4}H \otimes H} = \exp\left(\frac{h}{4}H \otimes H\right)$

Universal R-matrix

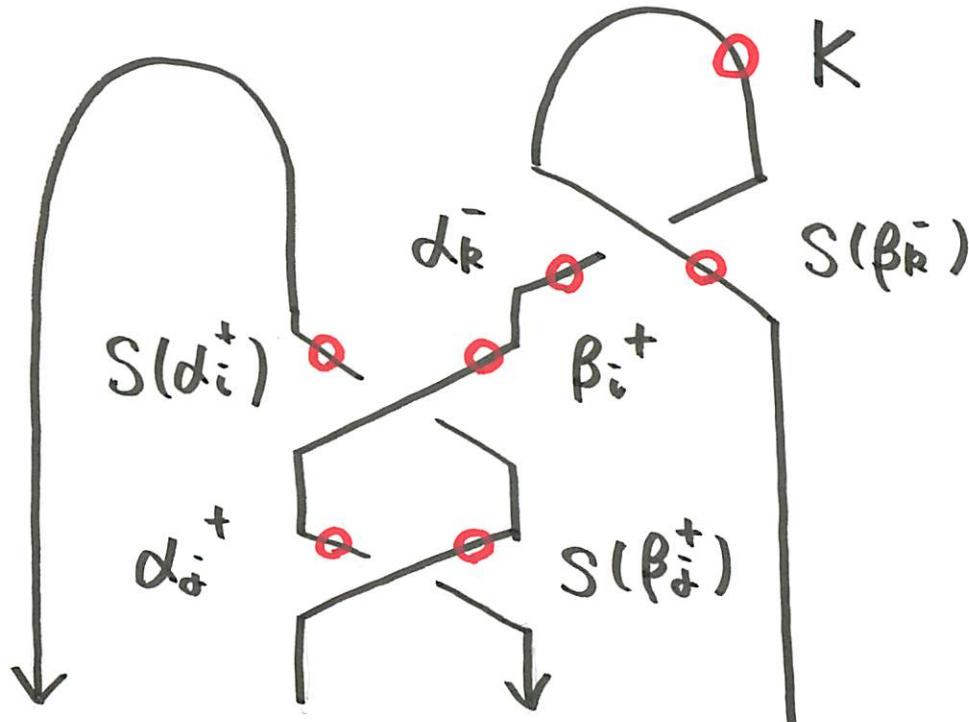
$$R = D \left( \sum_{i \geq 0} g^{\frac{1}{2}i(i-1)} \tilde{F}^{(i)} K^{-i} \otimes e^i \right)$$

$$R^{-1} = D^{-1} \left( \sum_{i \geq 0} (-1)^i \tilde{F}^{(i)} \otimes K^{-i} e^i \right)$$

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$$J(\downarrow \swarrow)$$

$$= \sum_{i,j,k \geq 0} (-1)^{i+j} q^{-\frac{1}{2}k(k-1) - j^2 + 2ij - 3jk - 2ik} \begin{bmatrix} j+k \\ i \end{bmatrix}_q$$

$$D^{-2} (1 \otimes q^{\frac{1}{4}H(H+2)}) (\tilde{F}^{(i)} K^{-2j} e^j \otimes \tilde{F}^{(j+k)} K^{2(j-i)} e^{i+k})$$

(where  $\begin{bmatrix} m \\ n \end{bmatrix}_q = \frac{[m]_q [m-1]_q \cdots [m-n+1]_q}{[n]_q !} \in \mathbb{Z}[q, q^{-1}]$ )

for  $m \in \mathbb{Z}, n \geq 0$

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#### 4. Main theorems & applications

$$J_T = \sum_{a,M,N,n,k,p_1,p_2,s_1,s_2,z,x,S,\tilde{S}} q^{\left\{ p_1^2 + p_1(x-k-s_1) + p_2^2 + p_2(z-n-s_2) + s_1^2 + s_1(N-S-n-x) + s_2^2 + s_2(M-\tilde{S}-k-z) + \frac{1}{2}S(S+1) \right.} \\ \left. + S(k+x-N-2a) + \frac{1}{2}\tilde{S}(\tilde{S}+1) + \tilde{S}(n+z+M-2N-2a) - k^2 + k(6n+2a+M-4N) - n^2 + n(M-3N-2a) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2}N(N+1) + 2N^2 + N(2a-2z-1) + \frac{1}{2}M(M+1) + M(2a-2x) + x^2 + z^2 - (x+z)a + \frac{1}{2}a(a-1) \right\}}$$

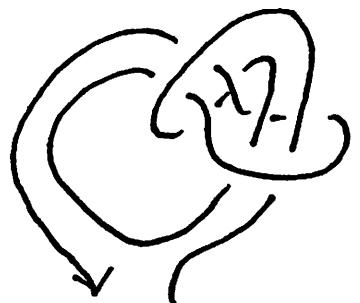
$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \begin{matrix} k \\ p_1 \end{matrix} \right]_q \left[ \begin{matrix} p_1 \\ s_1 \end{matrix} \right]_q \left[ \begin{matrix} N + 2n - 2M - p_1 + s_1 - 1 \\ n - p_1 \end{matrix} \right]_q \left[ \begin{matrix} N - p_1 \\ M - x - p_1 \end{matrix} \right]_q \left[ \begin{matrix} M - x - p_1 \\ S - s_1 \end{matrix} \right]_q \left[ \begin{matrix} 2M - x + 2n + S + s_1 - 1 \\ x - k + p_1 \end{matrix} \right]_q \\ & \left[ \begin{matrix} n \\ p_2 \end{matrix} \right]_q \left[ \begin{matrix} p_2 \\ s_2 \end{matrix} \right]_q \left[ \begin{matrix} M + 2k - 2N - p_2 + s_2 - 1 \\ k - p_2 \end{matrix} \right]_q \left[ \begin{matrix} M - p_2 \\ N - z - p_2 \end{matrix} \right]_q \left[ \begin{matrix} N - z - p_2 \\ \tilde{S} - s_2 \end{matrix} \right]_q \left[ \begin{matrix} 2N - z + 2k + \tilde{S} + s_2 + 1 \\ z - n + p_2 \end{matrix} \right]_q \\ & \left[ \begin{matrix} N - M + x \\ x - z - a \end{matrix} \right]_q \left[ \begin{matrix} z \\ x - z - a \end{matrix} \right]_q \{x + z - a\}_q! \quad f^a K^{-2(M+N-n-k-S-\tilde{S})} \{H + z - N + M + 3x - 2a\}_{q,a-z-x} e^a. \end{aligned}$$

ただし,

$$\begin{aligned} \{i\}_q &= q^i - 1, \quad \{m\}_q! = \{m\}_q \{m-1\}_q \cdots \{1\}_q, \\ \{H+i\}_{q,m} &= \{H+i\}_q \{H+i-1\}_q \cdots \{H+i-m+1\}_q, \\ \{H+j\}_q &= q^{H+j} - 1 = q^j K^2 - 1, \end{aligned}$$

$$i, j \in \mathbb{Z}, m \geq 0.$$

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Thm[s]  $L$ :  $n$ -component boundary | ribbon link  
with 0-framing

$$\Rightarrow J(L; P_{l_1}, \dots, P_{l_n}) \in \frac{\{2l_j+1\}_q!}{\{1\}_q!} I_{l_1} \cdots \hat{I}_{l_j} \cdots I_{l_n}$$

$$P_l = \prod_{i=0}^{l-1} (V_2 - q^{i+\frac{1}{2}} - q^{-i-\frac{1}{2}}), \quad V_2 : 2\text{-dim irr rep.}$$

$$I_l = \left\langle \{k\}_q!, \{l-k\}_q!, \{l\}_q! \mid 0 \leq k \leq l \right\rangle_{\text{ideal in } \mathbb{Z}[q^{\frac{1}{2}}, q^{-\frac{1}{2}}]}$$

where  
 $\{i\}_q = q^i - 1, \quad \{i\}_q! = \{i\}_q \{i-1\}_q \cdots \{1\}_q \text{ for } i \geq 0$

$\langle \text{ex} \rangle L : n\text{-component boundary ribbon link}$   
with 0-framing

$$\underline{J(L; P_1, \dots, P_1) \in (q-1)^{2n} (q+1) (q^2+q+1) \mathbb{Z}[q^{\frac{1}{2}}, q^{-\frac{1}{2}}]}$$

$$\underline{J(L; P_2, \dots, P_2) \in (q-1)^{4n} (q+1)^{n+1} (q^2+q+1) (q^2+1) (q^4+q^3+q^2+q+1) \mathbb{Z}[q^{\frac{1}{2}}, q^{-\frac{1}{2}}]}$$

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$$(q^2-q+1) (q^6+q^5+q^4+q^3+q^2+q+1) \mathbb{Z}[q^{\frac{1}{2}}, q^{-\frac{1}{2}}]$$

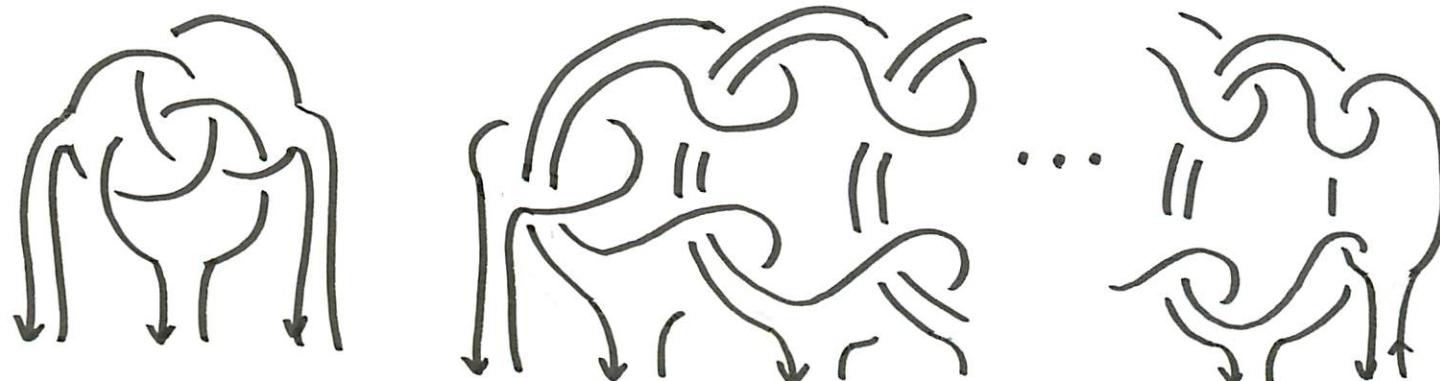
$$\underline{J(\text{S}; P_1, P_1) = q^{\frac{3}{4}} \left\{ q^{-\frac{3}{2}} (q+1) (q^{\frac{1}{2}}-1)^2 (q+q^{\frac{1}{2}}+1) \right\} \in \mathbb{Z}[q^{\frac{1}{4}}, q^{-\frac{1}{4}}]}$$

$$\underline{J(\text{G}; P_1, P_1, P_1) = -q^{-\frac{7}{2}} (q-1)^4 (q+1) (q^2+q+1)}$$

- $\tilde{E}^{(i)} = (q^{1/2} - q^{-1/2}) E^i / [i]_q!$
- $U_{\mathbb{Z}, q}^{\text{ev}}$ :  $\mathbb{Z}[q, q^{-1}]$ -subalgebra of  $U_h$  generated by  $\tilde{E}^{(i)}, \tilde{F}^{(i)}, K^{\pm 2}$   
 $(i \geq 1)$ .

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: a sequence of invariants  $\mu_{i_1, \dots, i_p}(T) \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $1 \leq i_1, \dots, i_p \leq n$ ,  $p \geq 2$

boundary  
ribbon

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brunnian

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$\Rightarrow \text{conj II}$

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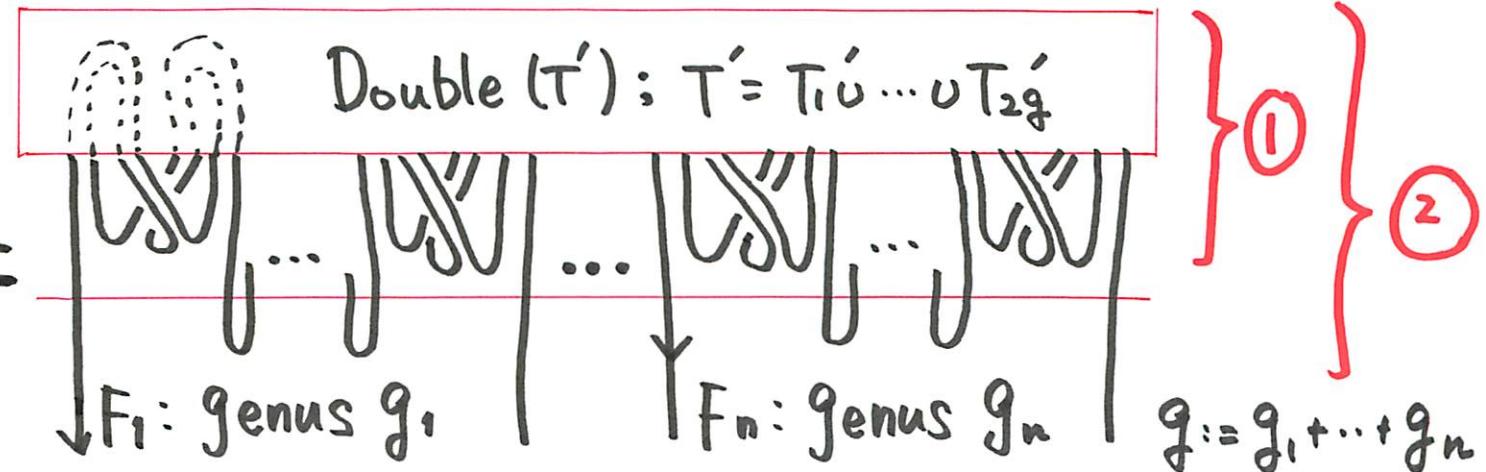
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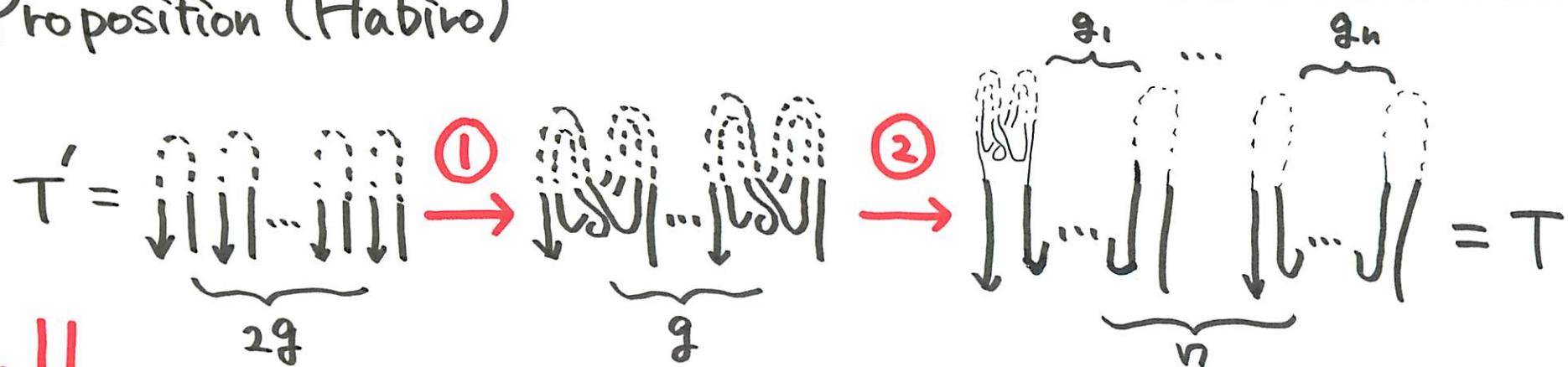
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Proposition (Habiro)



$$J_{T'} \xrightarrow{\textcircled{1}} Y^{\otimes g}(J_{T'}) \xrightarrow{\textcircled{2}} \mu^{[g_1, \dots, g_n]} \circ Y^{\otimes g}(J_{T'}) = J_T$$

$$\hat{U}_n^{\otimes 2g} \xrightarrow{Y^{\otimes g}} \hat{U}_n^{\otimes g} \xrightarrow{\mu^{[g_1, \dots, g_n]}} \hat{U}_n^{\otimes n}$$