

How do I say "I care about a tangle only in as much as the automorphism of \hat{F}_n it induces is concerned"?

$$(x \uparrow y) \uparrow z = (x \uparrow z) \uparrow (y \uparrow z)$$

$$z \uparrow y \uparrow x \uparrow z = \dots$$

$(x \uparrow y) \uparrow z = x \uparrow w$ in groups, this is a weak form of $yz = w$

Why's the projectivization of a group always associative?

$$((1+x)(1+y))/(1+z) = (1+x)((1+y)(1+z))$$

deg 0 $1=1$

deg 1 $x+y+z = x+y+z$

deg 2 $xy+xz+yz = xy+yz+xz$

deg 3 Associativity

There ought to be a way to get directly from a monoid with a diagonal to a Lie algebra.

In these terms, what's "a derivation"?

$$g^{-1} = (1 - (1-g))^{-1} = \sum (1-g)^n$$

[so in the projectivization of a monoid, inverses automatically exist]

group?

(No, The Fundamental quandle
is a weak invariant)