

Knots vs. Lie Algebras

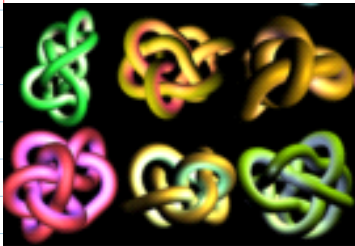
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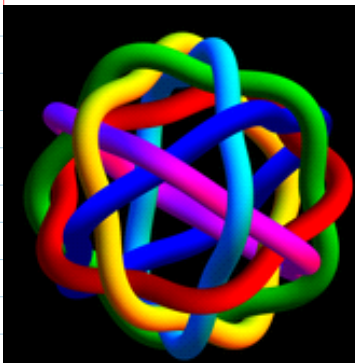
too  
"simple"



too  
"regular"



re-make  
w/ white  
background.  
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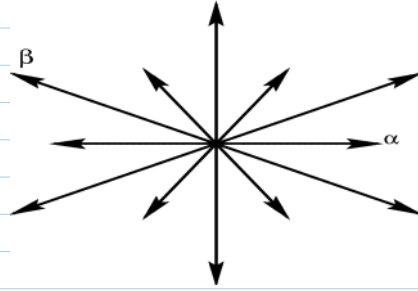
1. white background
2. too symmetric

From <http://www.gutenberg.org/files/13510/13510-h/13510-h.htm>:

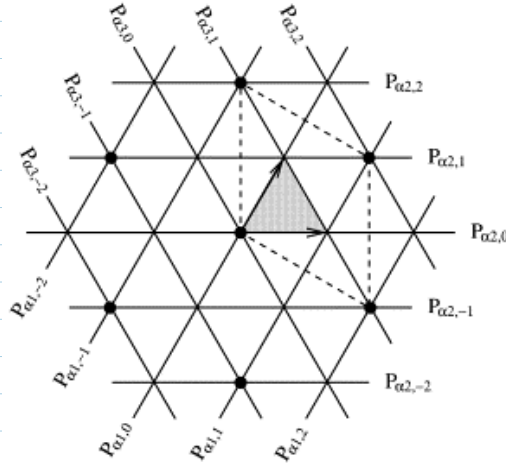


also  
many  
more!

From <http://dimax.rutgers.edu/~sadowski/>:



From <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0550321302010647>:



From [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Conformal\\_symmetry](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Conformal_symmetry):

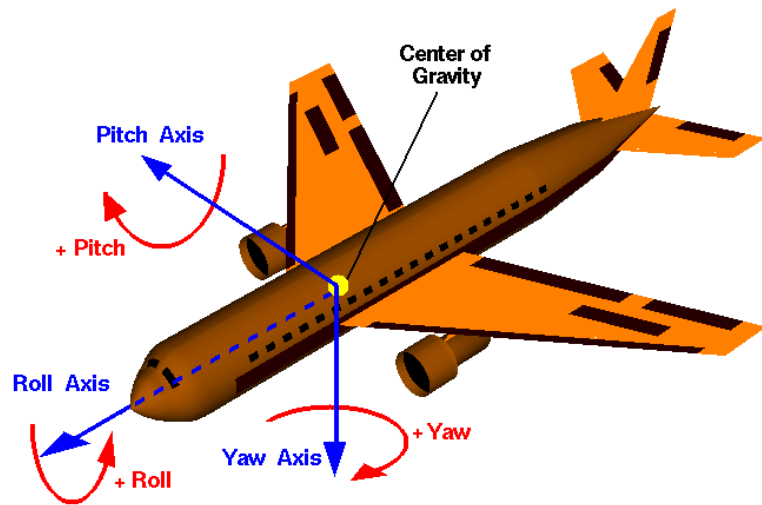
$$\begin{aligned}
 [D, K_\mu] &= -iK_\mu, \\
 [D, P_\mu] &= iP_\mu, \\
 [K_\mu, P_\nu] &= 2i\eta_{\mu\nu}D - 2iM_{\mu\nu}, \\
 [K_\mu, M_{\nu\rho}] &= i(\eta_{\mu\nu}K_\rho - \eta_{\mu\rho}K_\nu), \\
 [P_\rho, M_{\mu\nu}] &= i(\eta_{\rho\mu}P_\nu - \eta_{\rho\nu}P_\mu), \\
 [M_{\mu\nu}, M_{\rho\sigma}] &= i(\eta_{\nu\rho}M_{\mu\sigma} + \eta_{\mu\sigma}M_{\nu\rho} - \eta_{\mu\rho}M_{\nu\sigma} - \eta_{\nu\sigma}M_{\mu\rho}),
 \end{aligned}$$

From <http://www.grc.nasa.gov/WWW/k-12/airplane/rotations.html>:



**Aircraft Rotations**  
Body Axes

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From <http://nodnyl.com/english/background.html>:

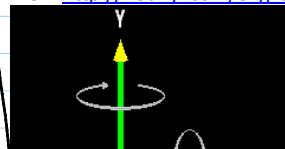
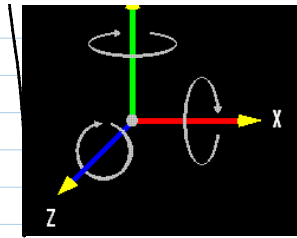




FIG. 52.—Midshipman's hitch.

Some celtic knot example.



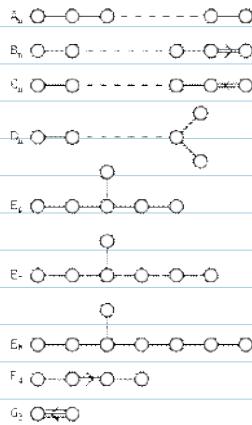
From <http://www.chemie.uni-hamburg.de/nmr/insensitive/tutorial/en.lproj/spin.html>:

$$\sigma_x = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_y = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_z = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

From [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Semisimple\\_Lie\\_algebra](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Semisimple_Lie_algebra):



From [http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Category:Royal\\_Ontario\\_Museum](http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Category:Royal_Ontario_Museum): (higher res there)



From <http://www.brit.co/gummy-worm-ice/>:

