

Dogma handout on 170507

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Dror Bar-Natan: Talks: Toulouse-1705:

The Dogma is Wrong

Follows Rozansky [Ro1, Ro2, Ro3] and Overbay [Ov], joint with van der Veen.



⊞β:=<http://drorbn.net/Toulouse-1705/>

Thanks for the invitation!



Abstract. It has long been known that there are knot invariants associated to semi-simple Lie algebras, and there has long been a dogma as for how to extract them: “quantize and use representation theory”. We present an alternative and better procedure: “centrally extend, approximate by solvable, and learn how to re-order exponentials in a universal enveloping algebra”. While equivalent to the old invariants via a complicated process, our invariants are in practice stronger, faster to compute (poly-time vs. exp-time), and clearly carry topological information.

dog·ma (dōg'mə, dōg'-)

The Free Dictionary, ⊞β/TFD

n. pl. dog·mas or dog·ma·ta (-mə-tə)

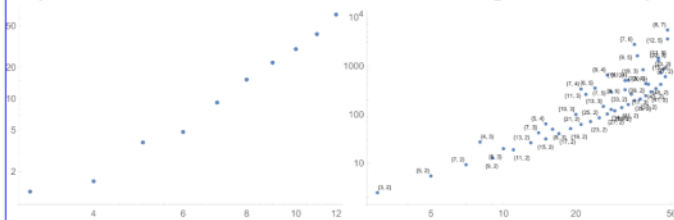
1. A doctrine or a corpus of doctrines relating to matters such as morality and faith, set forth in an authoritative manner by a religion.
2. A principle or statement of ideas, or a group of such principles or statements, especially when considered to be authoritative or accepted uncritically: “*Much education consists in the instilling of unfounded dogmas in place of a spirit of inquiry*” (Bertrand Russell).

See link?

KiW XLIII Abstract. Whether or not you like the formulas on this page, they describe the strongest truly computable knot invariant we know.

gl_n similar to Macmillan ✓

Experimental Analysis (⊞β/Exp). Log-log plots of computation time (sec) vs. crossing number, for all knots with up to 12 crossings (mean times) and for all torus knots with up to 48 crossings:



An MMR box ✓

Power. On the 250 knots with at most 10 crossings, the pair (ω, ρ_1) attains 250 distinct values, while (Khovanov, HOMFLY-PT) attains only 249 distinct values. To 11 crossings the numbers are (802, 788, 772) and to 12 they are (2978, 2883, 2786).

Genus. Up to 12 xings, always ρ_1 is symmetric under $t \leftrightarrow t^{-1}$. With ρ_1^+ denoting the positive-degree part of ρ_1 , always $\deg \rho_1^+ \leq 2g - 1$, where g is the 3-genus of K (equality for 2530 knots). This gives a lower bound on g in terms of ρ_1 (conjectural, but undoubtedly true). This bound is often weaker than the Alexander bound, yet for 10 of the 12-xing Alexander failures it does give the right answer.

ribbon pictures from MIT

$U \in \mathcal{T}_n \xrightarrow{\tau} 1 \in \mathcal{A}_n$

 $\mathcal{T}_{2n} \xrightarrow{z} \mathcal{A}_{2n}$

 ribbon $K \in \mathcal{T}_1 \quad z(K) \in \mathcal{R} \subseteq \mathcal{A}_1$

 [Vo]: Works for Alexander! with $\mathcal{R} := \kappa(\tau^{-1}(1))$

 $A^+ = -t^8 + 2t^7 - t^6 - 2t^4 + 5t^3 - 2t^2 - 7t + 13$

 $\rho_1^+ = 5t^{15} - 18t^{14} + 33t^{13} - 32t^{12} + 2t^{11} + 42t^{10} - 62t^9 - 8t^8 + 166t^7 - 242t^6 + 108t^5 + 132t^4 - 226t^3 + 148t^2 - 11t - 36$

 Faster is better, leaner is meaner!

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The moduli space of Lie algebras. ✓

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+ content: "Solvable" mathematics session as in McGill. ✓

Algebras to invariants similar to McGill. ✓

Continue as in McGill ✓

Mathematics sessions as in MIT. ✗