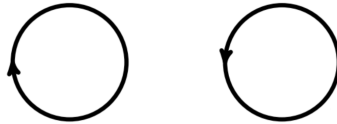
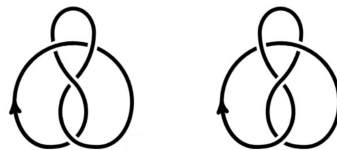


# Reidemeister moves & Linking number

**Exercise 1:** Using only Reidemeister moves show that the following directed knots are equivalent



**Exercise 2:** Using only Reidemeister moves show that the following directed knots are equivalent



**Exercise 3:** Show that the linking number is always an integer.

**Exercise 4:** Suppose that we reverse the orientation of  $K_2$ , which we will denote by  $-K_2$ . Show that

$$\text{lk}(K_1, -K_2) = -\text{lk}(K_1, K_2)$$

**Exercise 5:** Let  $L^*$  be mirror image of a link  $L$ . Show that

$$\text{lk}(L^*) = -\text{lk}(L)$$

**Exercise 6:** Show that no two of the following links are equivalent.

