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A singular virtual 2-string α is a wedge of two circles on a closed oriented surface. Up to equivalence by virtual homotopy, α can be realized on a canonical surface Σ_α . We use the homological intersection pairing on Σ_α to associate an algebraic object to α called a singular based matrix. We show that singular based matrices can be used to distinguish virtual homotopy classes of 2-strings and compute the virtual Andersen–Mattes–Reshetikhin bracket. (Received September 24, 2018)