Socks for a Winter's Night - by Erin Cowling

Materials:
US size 1 (2.25mm) DPNs
1 skein J. Knit's Superwash - Light Sock in Pueblo, 550 yards (I used way less than 550, any normal 400 + yard sock yarn should suffice)
stitch markers, if desired

Abbreviations:
k1 = knit 1
p1 = purl 1
m1 = make 1 - pick up bar between stitches and knit into it
m1p = make 1 purl - pike up bar and purl into it
inc1 = increase one in your preferred method of increasing
kf&b = knit into front and back of next stitch to increase 1
w&t = wrap and turn: RS: slip next stitch purl-wise, bring yarn to front, slip stitch back to left needle, bring yarn back, turn work over. WS: slip next stitch pwise, bring yarn to back, slip stitch back to left needle, bring yarn to front, turn work.
k2togtbl - knit 2 together through the back loops
sl1 - slip 1 st purl-wise
k2tog - knit 2 stitches together

Directions:

Using Judy's magic cast-on (instructions, should you need them, can be found here: http://www.knitty.com/ISSUEspring06/FEATmagiccaston.html), cast-on 24 stitches total (12 on each needle). Place marker for beginning of round if desired.

Toe:
Round 1: knit
Round 2: *k1, m1, knit til 1 st remains at end of needle, m1, k1* repeat for other needle (four stitches increased)

Repeat these two rounds (switching to four needles (+ one working) after a couple rounds and increasing at beginning of needle 1, end of needle 2, beg. needle 3, end of needle 4) until you have 64 sts total.

Foot:
Work in st st around all four needles until foot is desired length - 2.5 inches from toe to back of heel.

Increase for gusset:
Round 1: Knit across needles 1 & 2 (top of foot needles). Needle 3: k1, inc1 (note: I used m1 which leaves the little holes along gusset. Use kf&b if you do not want holes), knit to end of needle. Needle 4: knit all stitches except last, inc1, k1.
Round 2: knit

Repeat these two rounds until you have 52 sts across needles 3 & 4, 84 sts total.

Turn heel: working on heel needles ONLY (thus knit across needles 1 & 2 to get to heel needles once, then ignore needles 1 & 2)

Row 1: k34, m1, k1, w&t
Row 2: p18, m1p, p1, w&t
Row 3: k16, m1, k1, w&t
Row 4: p14, m1p, p1, w&t
Row 5: k12, m1, k1, w&t
Row 6: p10, m1p, p1, w&t
Row 7: k8, m1, k1, w&t
Row 8: p6, m1p, p1, w&t

Heel is turned! Knit across remaining heel sts, picking up wraps and knitting them with their respective stitches. Knit across needles 1 & 2.

Heel flap (only needles 3&4 again):

Row 1: k45 (picking up wraps again), k2togtbl, turn
Row 2: sl1, p30, p2tog
Row 3: sl1, *k1, sl1* rep * to * to one stitch before gap created by turn, k2togtbl
Row 4: sl1, purl to one stitch before gap, p2tog, turn

Repeat rows 3 and 4 until all heel stitches (except 1 at beginning of needle 3) have been decreased away (65 stitches remain).

On last row 4 do NOT turn, instead knit across needles 1 & 2, k2tog beg of needle 3, knit to end of needle 4. (64 stitches)

Cuff:

Written instructions (charted below):
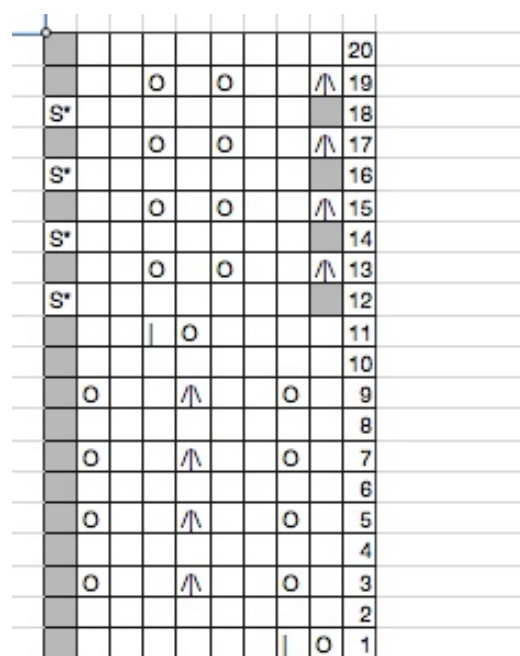
Round 1: *yo, skp, k6*
Round 2, 4, 6, 8, 10: knit
3, 5, 7, 9: *k1, yo, k2, sl1-k2tog-psso*
11: *k4, yo, skp, k2*
12, 14, 16, 18: knit to last stitch, sl1 to beginning of next round.
13, 15, 17, 19: using slipped stitch from last round as first stitch: *sl1-k2tog-psso, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2*
20: knit

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Repeat chart / written instructions 3 times.

Switch to ribbing (k1, p1) for 12 rounds.

Bind-off using a stretchy bind-off (either EZ's sewn bind off, or: k2, *slip 2 stitches to LH needle, k2tog, k1* until all stitches are bound off)

Please do not use this pattern for anything other than your own personal use. Any questions / comments / concerns can be directed to gradschoolknitter@yahoo.com

Key:

O = yarn over
\| = SKP: slip 1 pwise, k1, pass slipped st over
/\ = sl1, k2tog, psso
S* = slip LAST stitch of round ONLY. Use this as slip stitch for /\ at beginning of next round
[shaded] = no stitch (place holder)
[white] = k1