

*Einstein Manifolds,*  
*Self-Dual Weyl Curvature, &*  
*Conformally Kähler Geometry*

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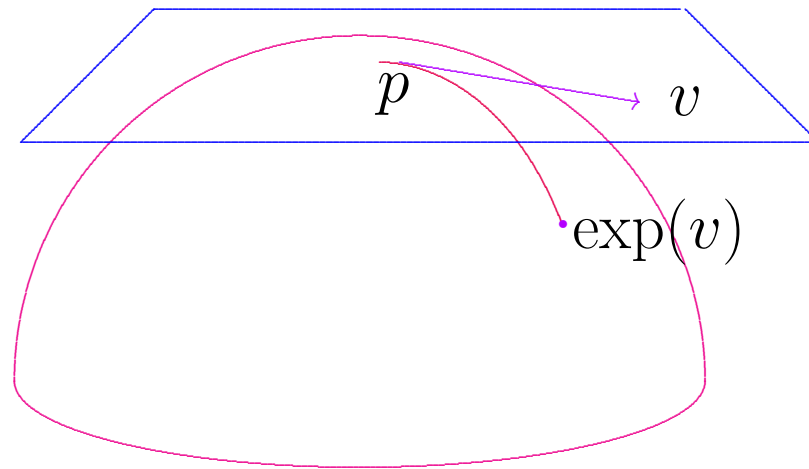
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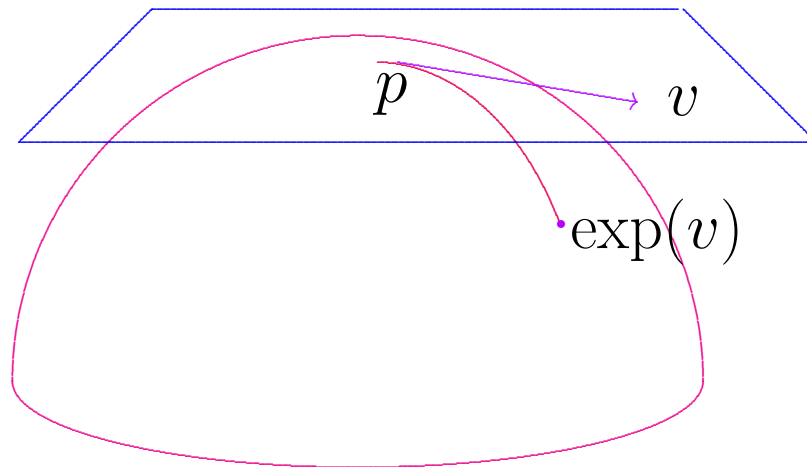
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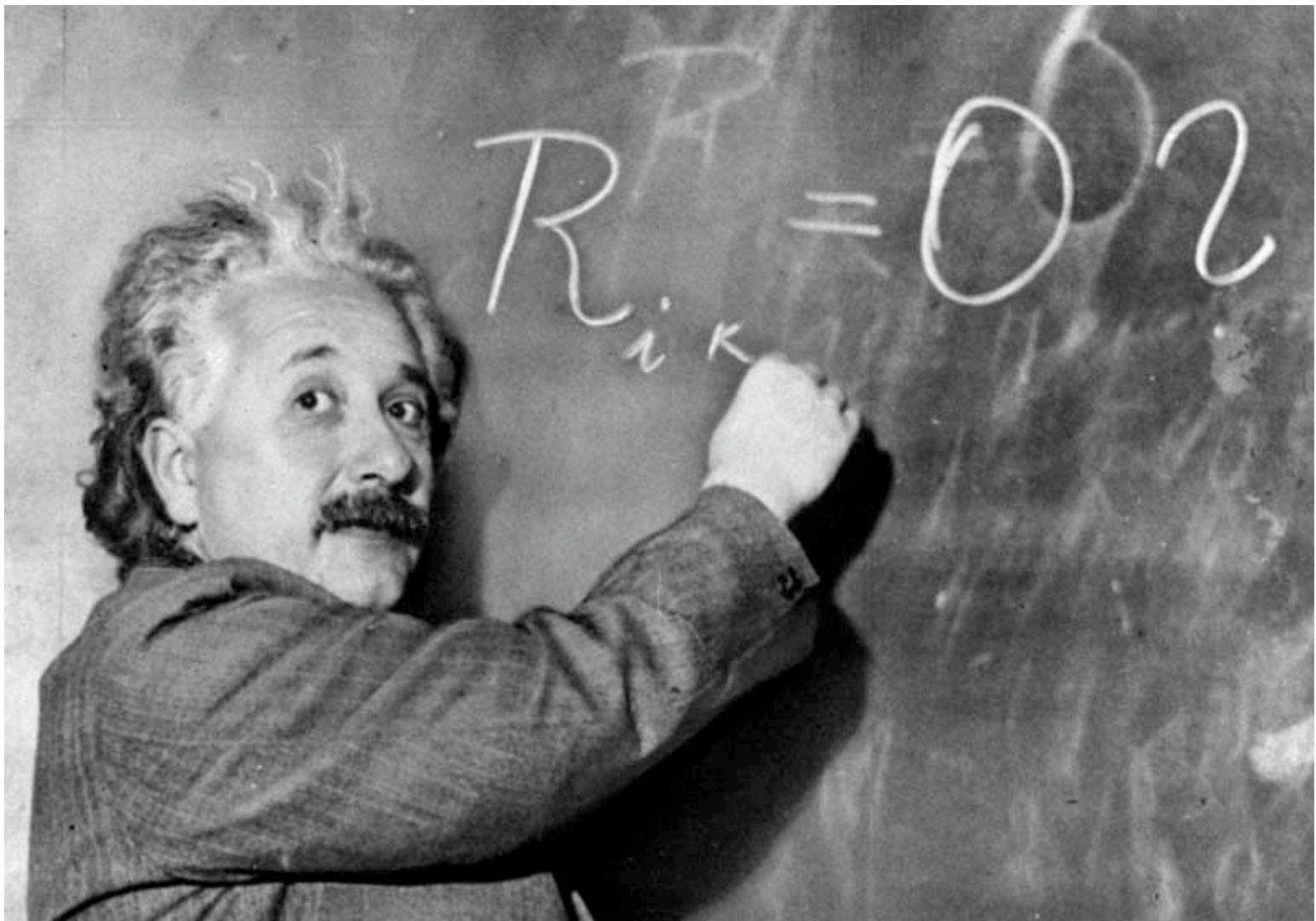
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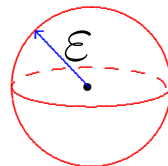
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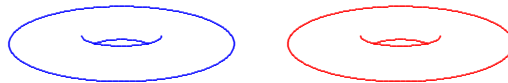
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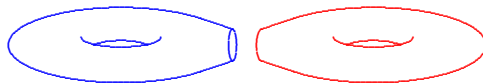
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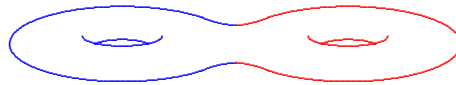
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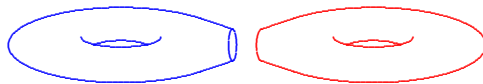
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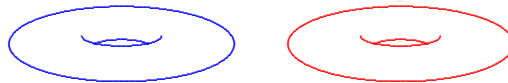
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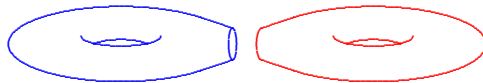
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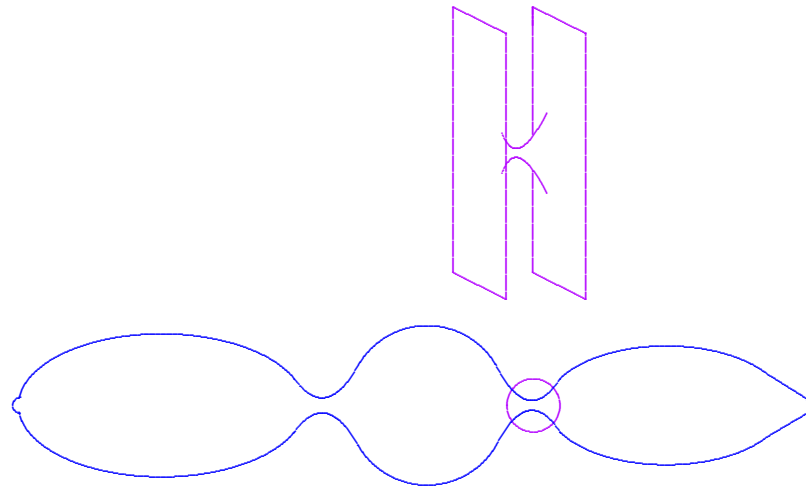
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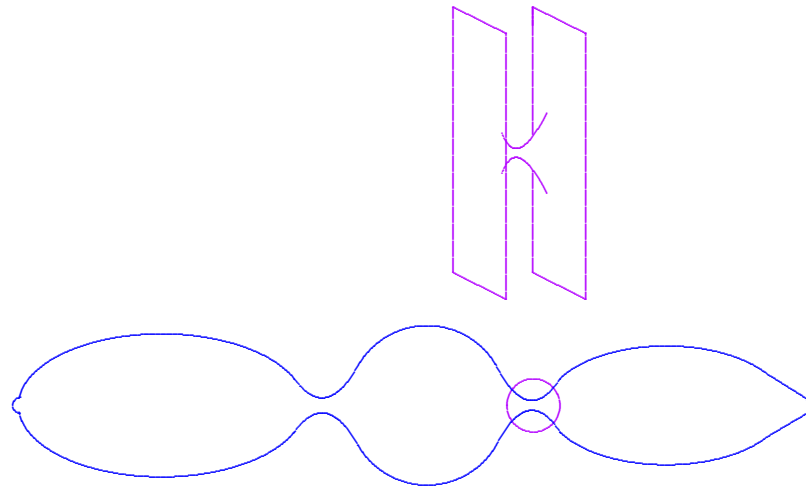
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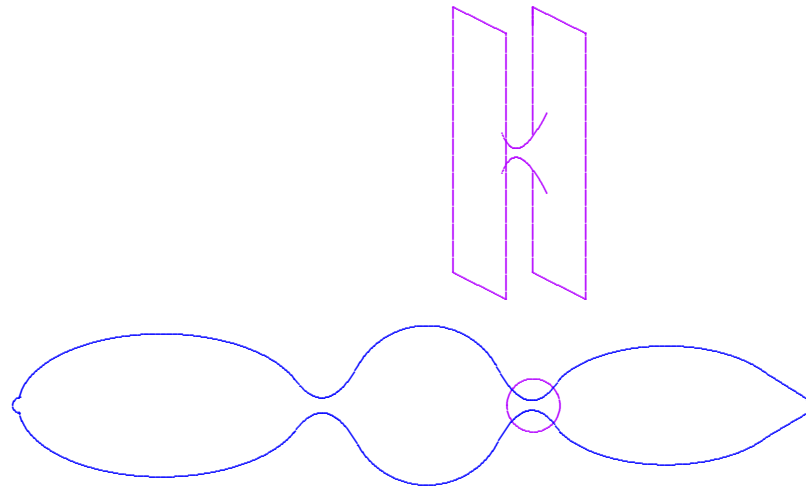
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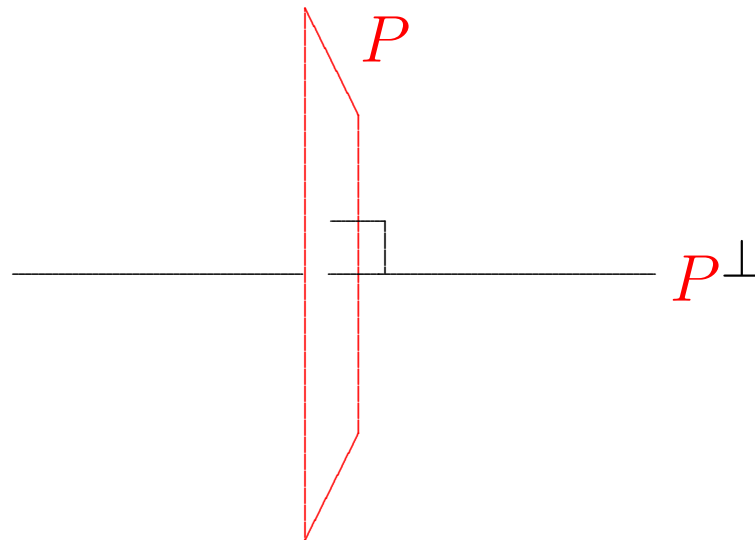
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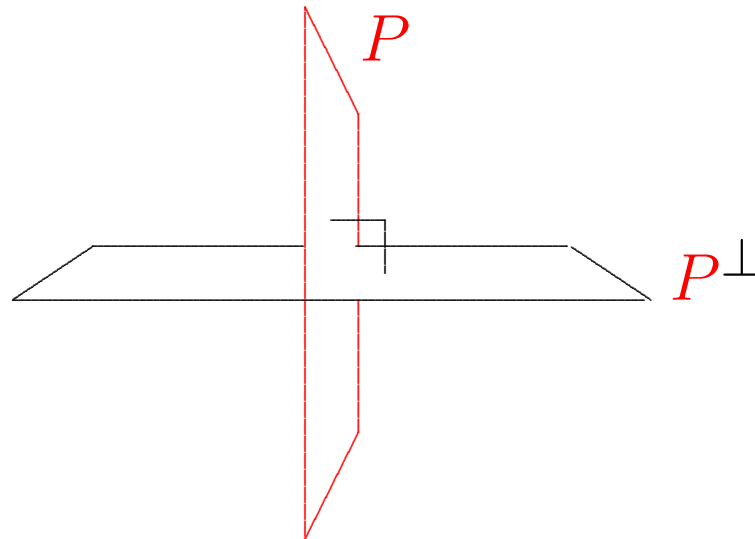
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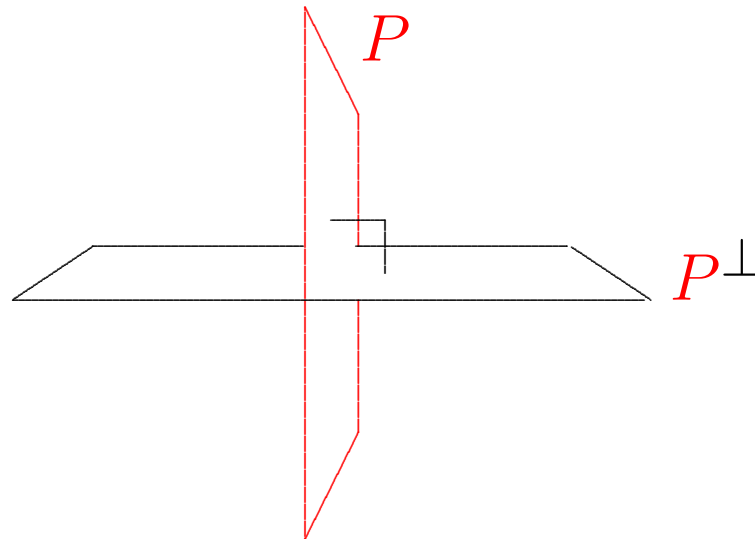
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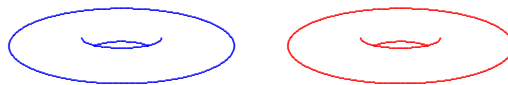


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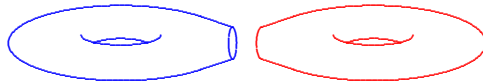


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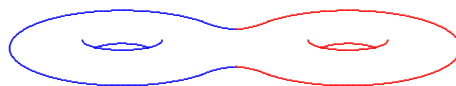


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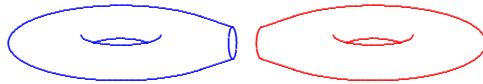


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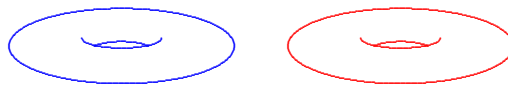


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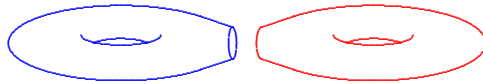


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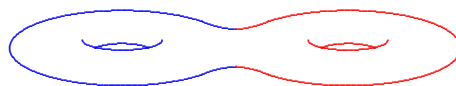


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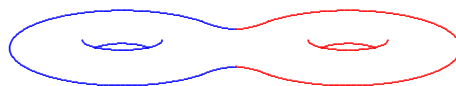


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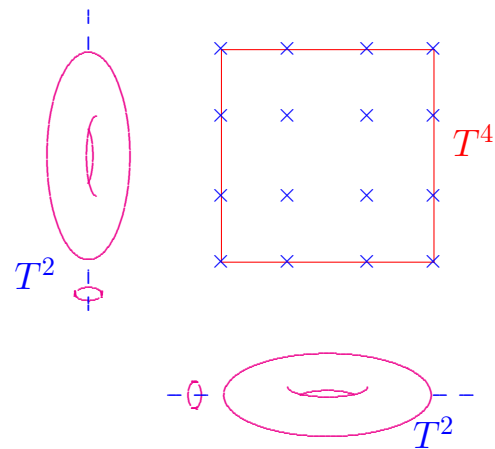
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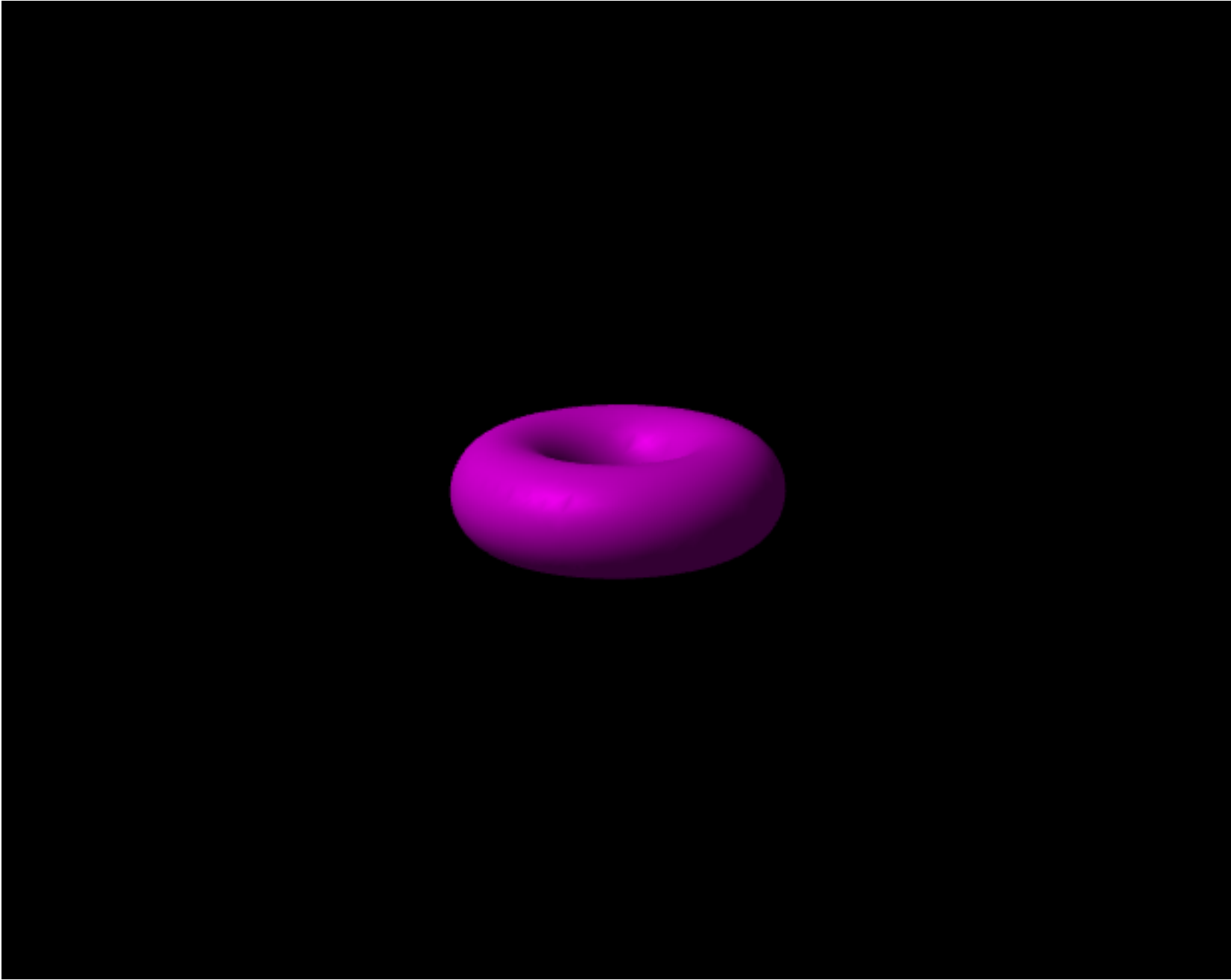
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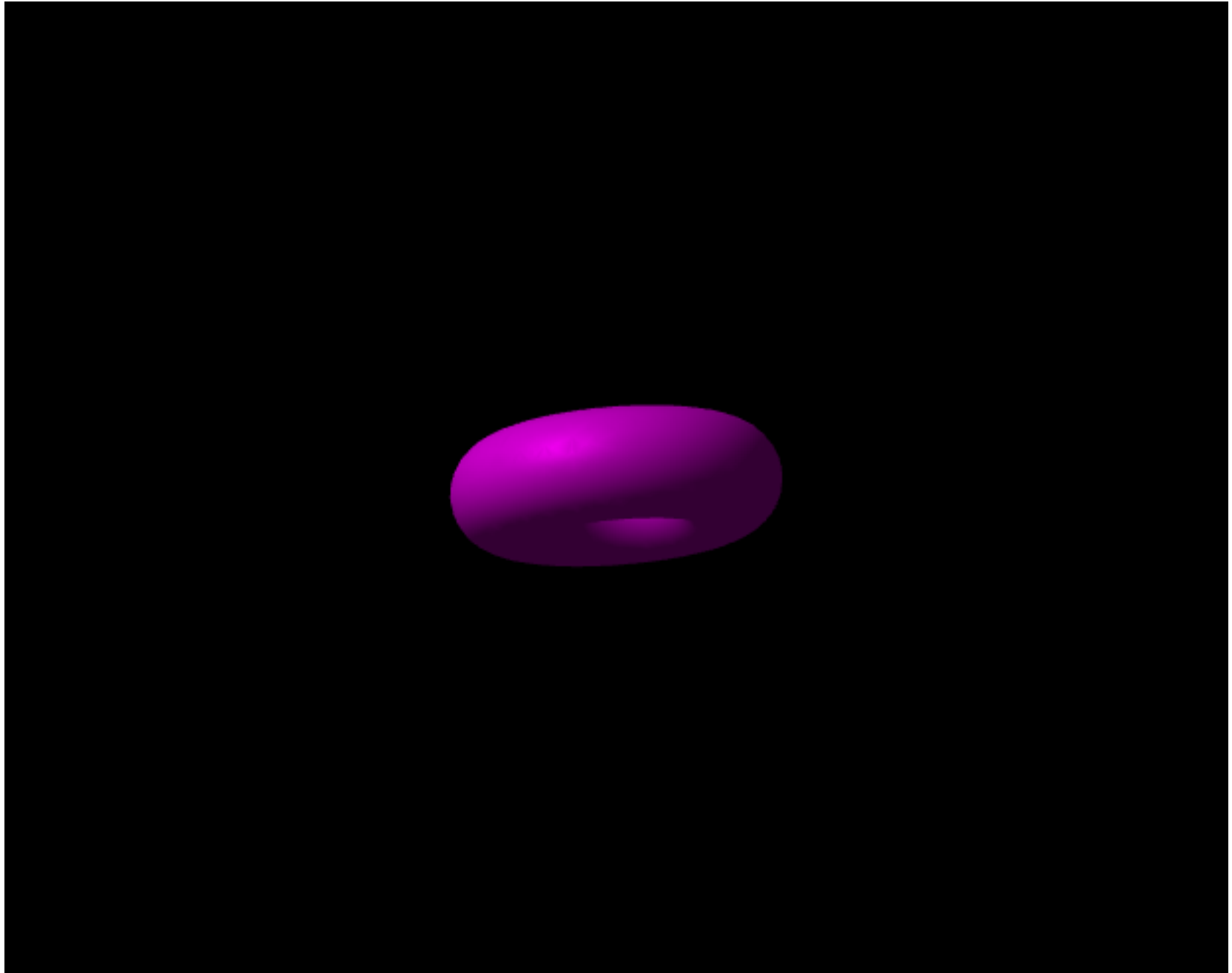
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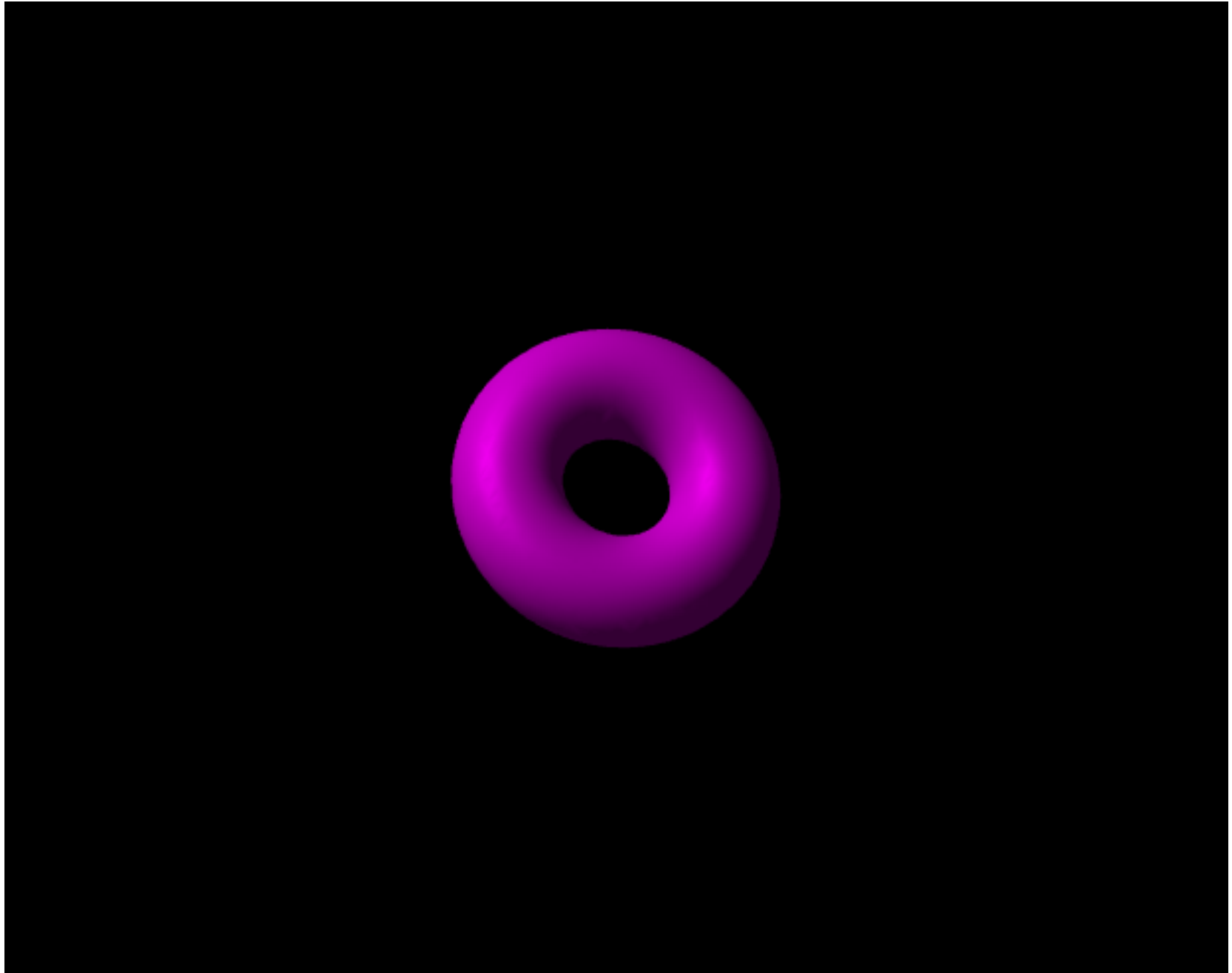


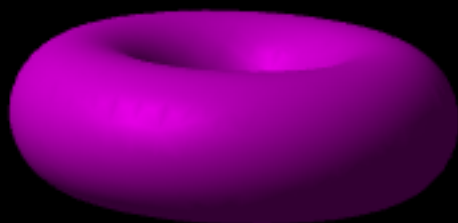










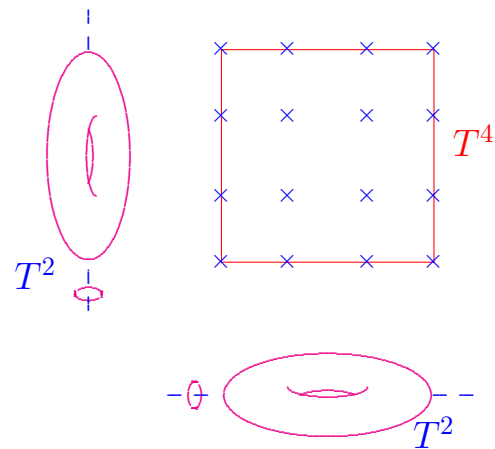




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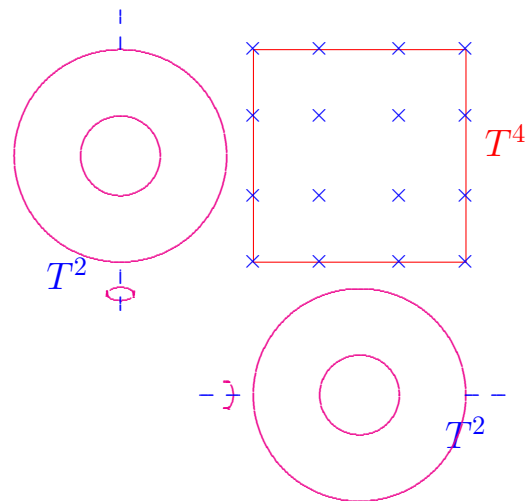
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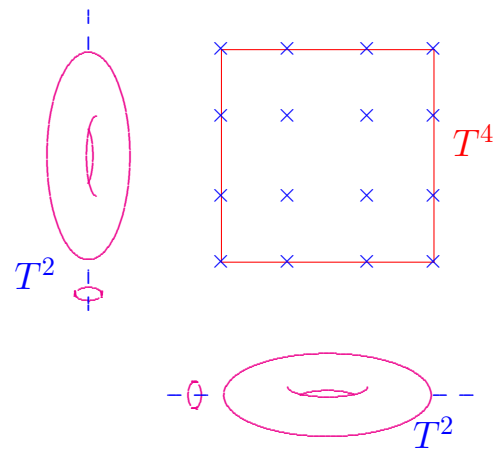
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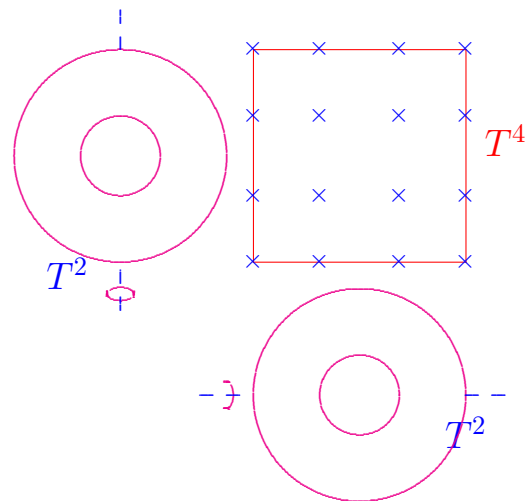
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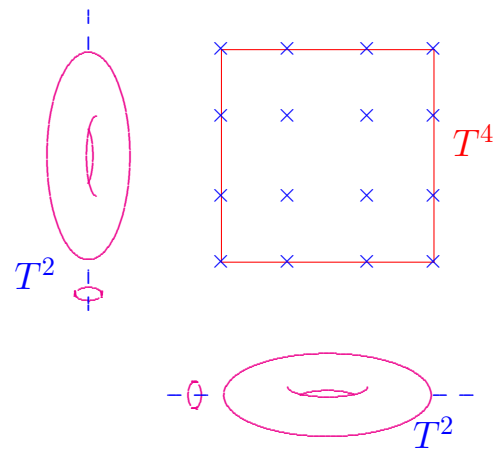
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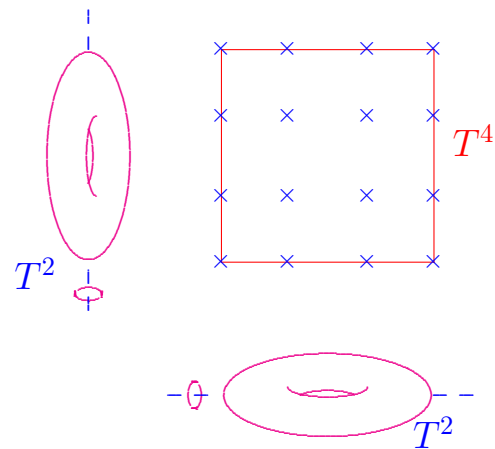
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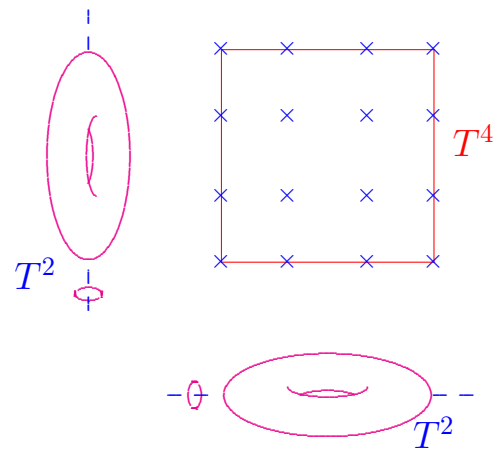
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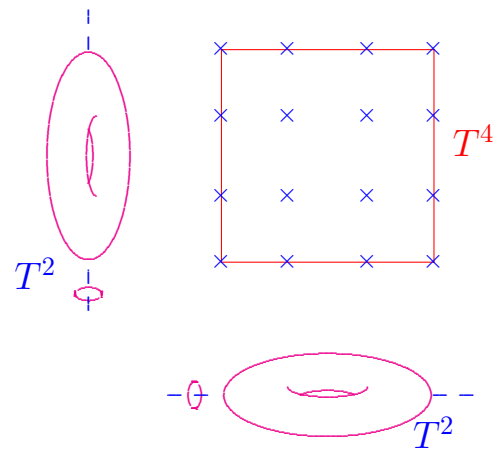


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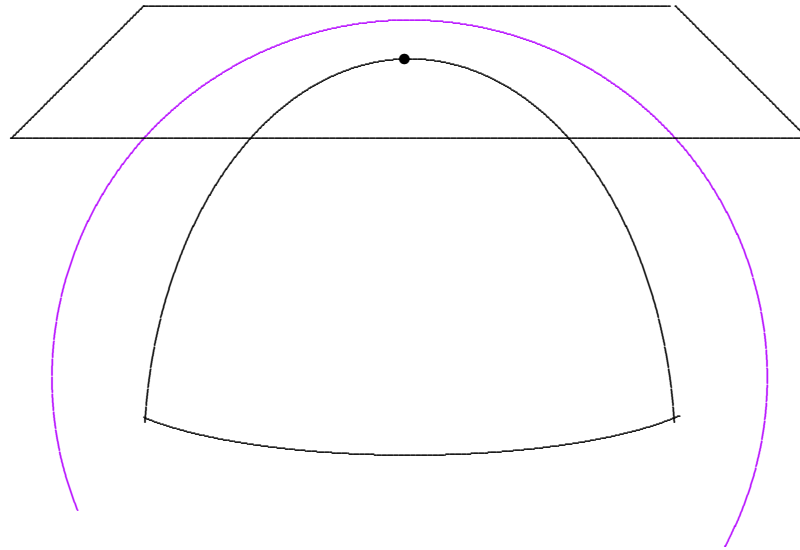
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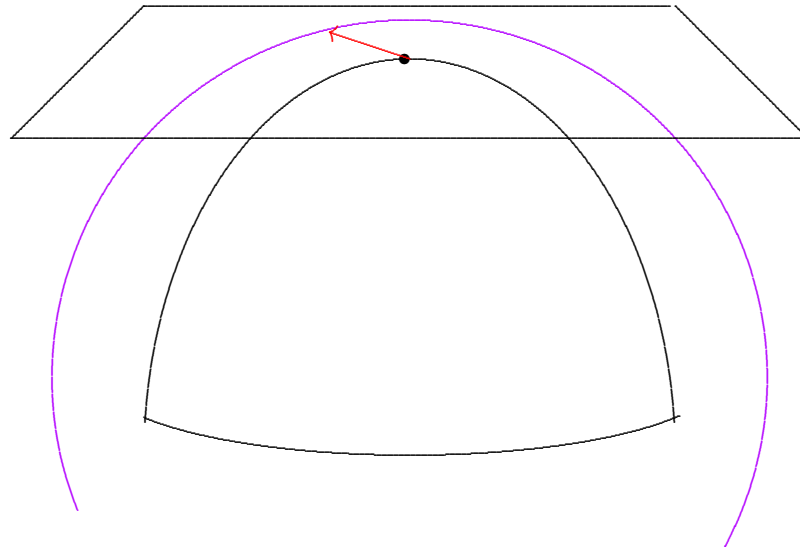
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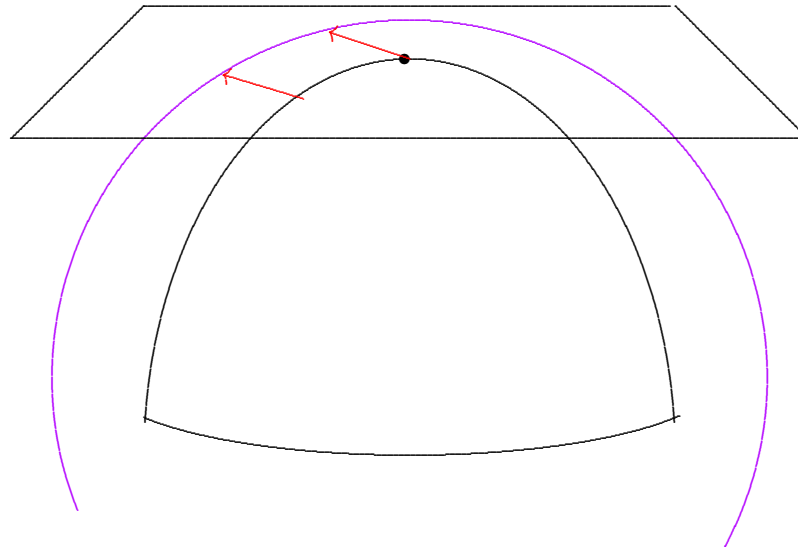
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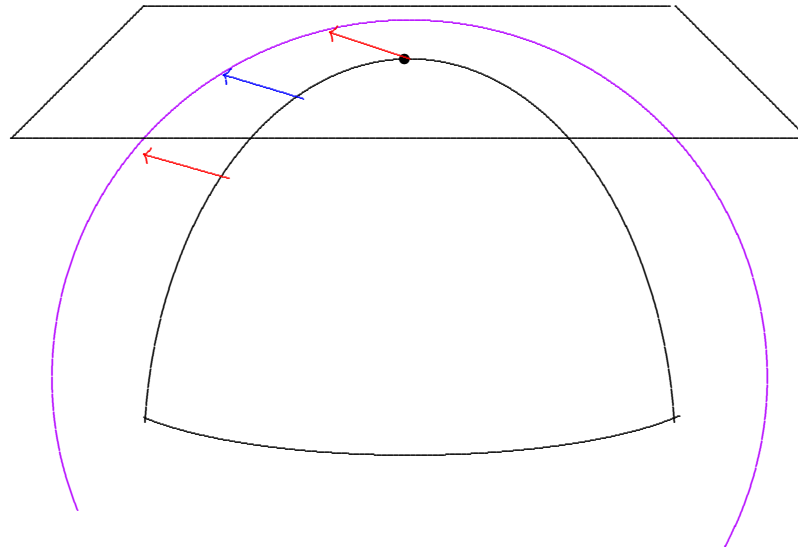
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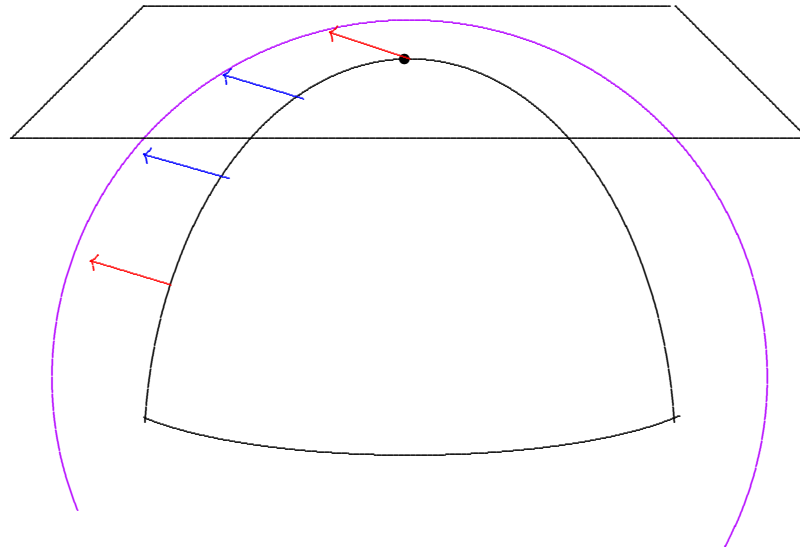
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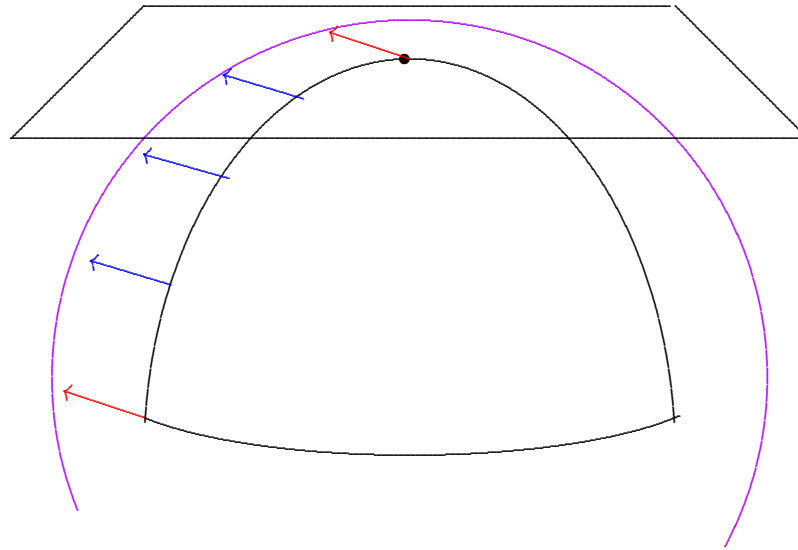
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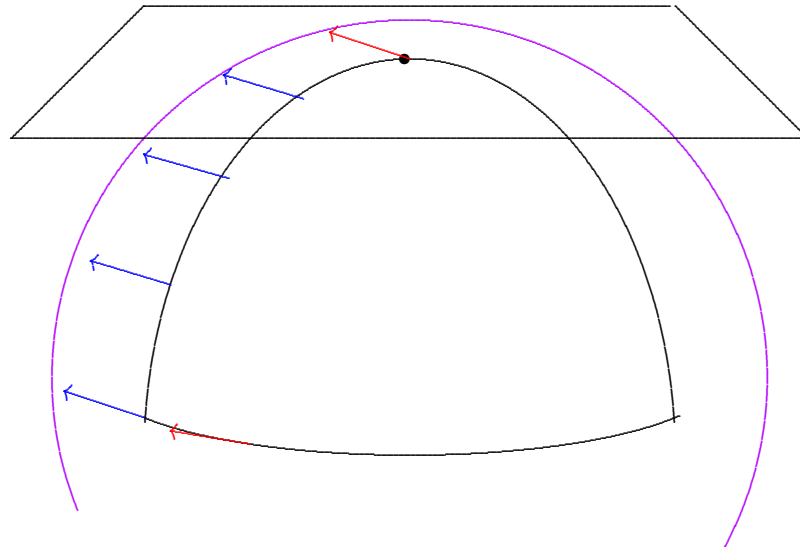
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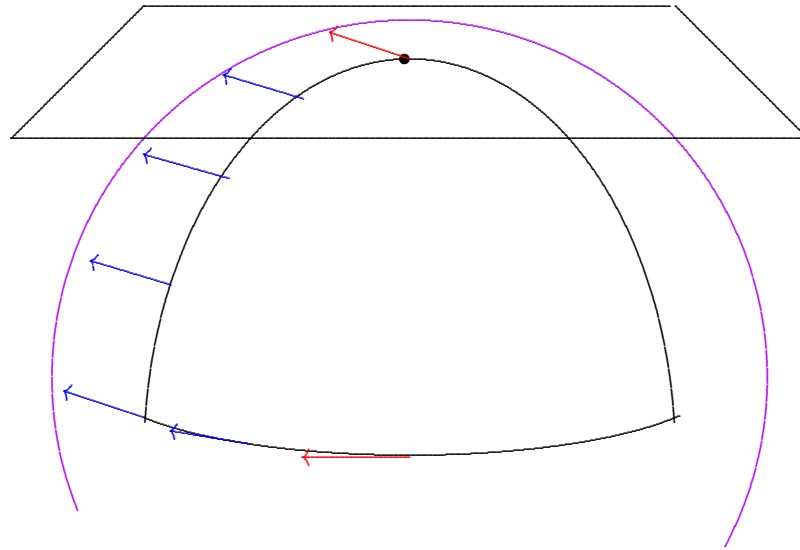
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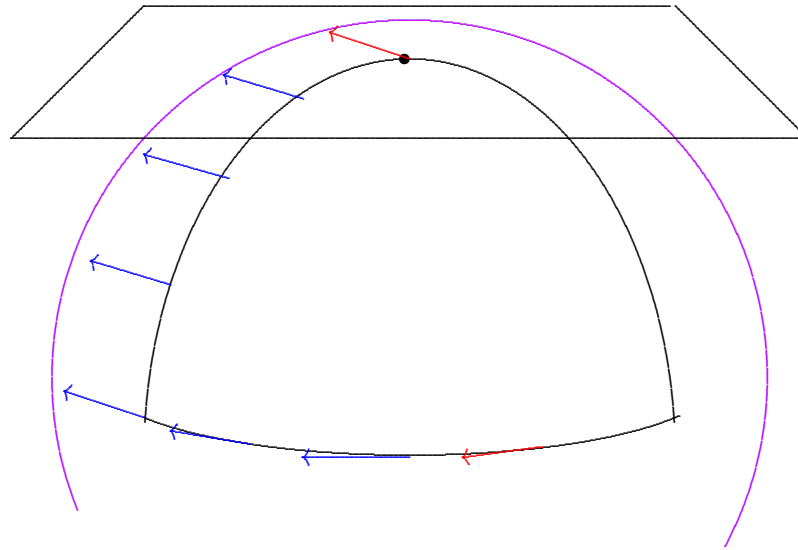
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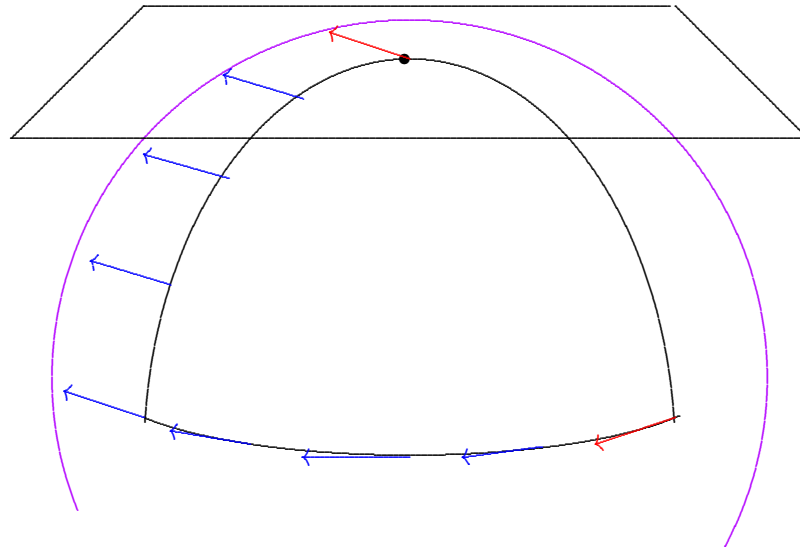
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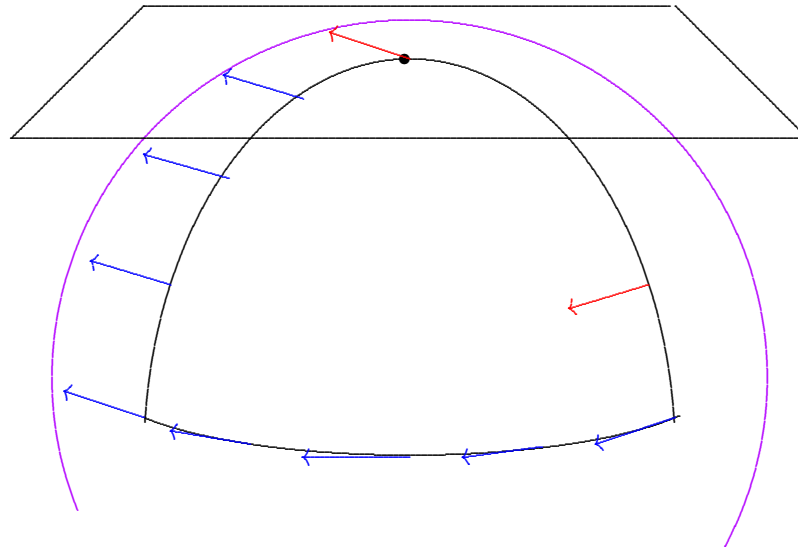
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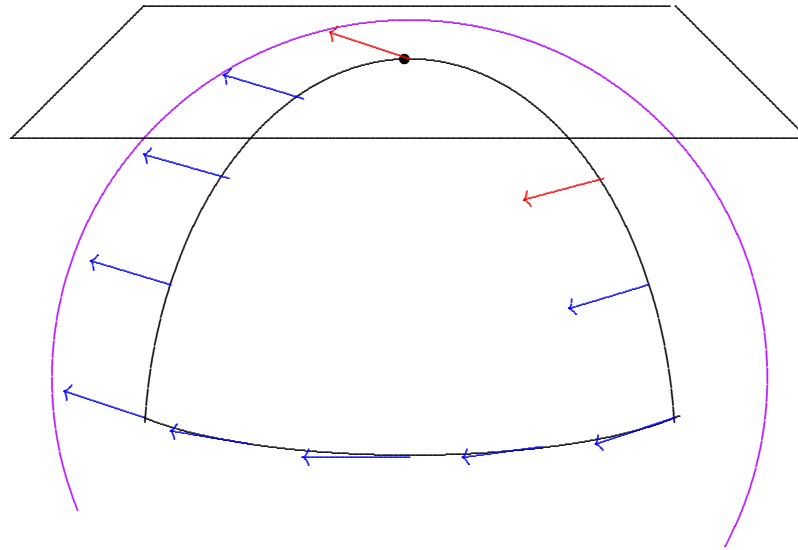
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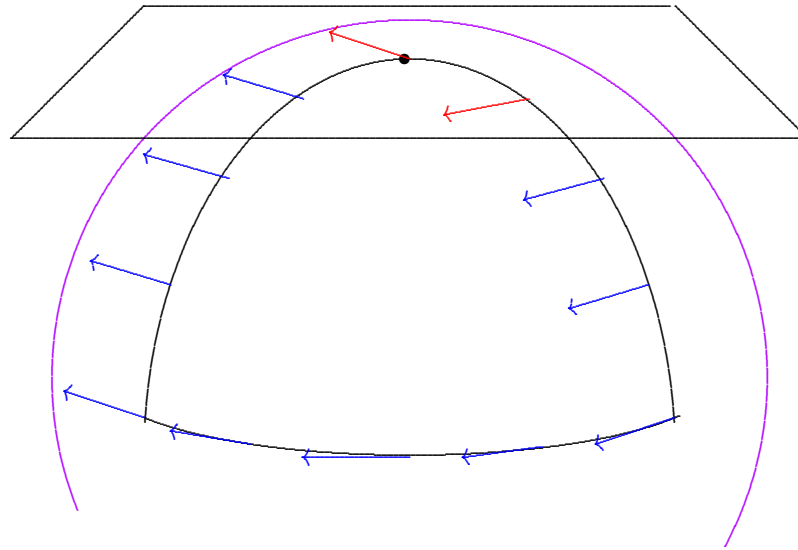
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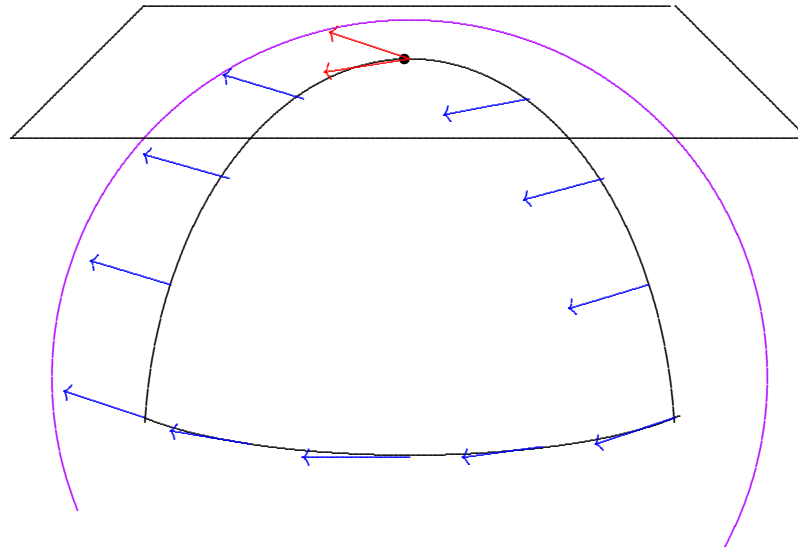
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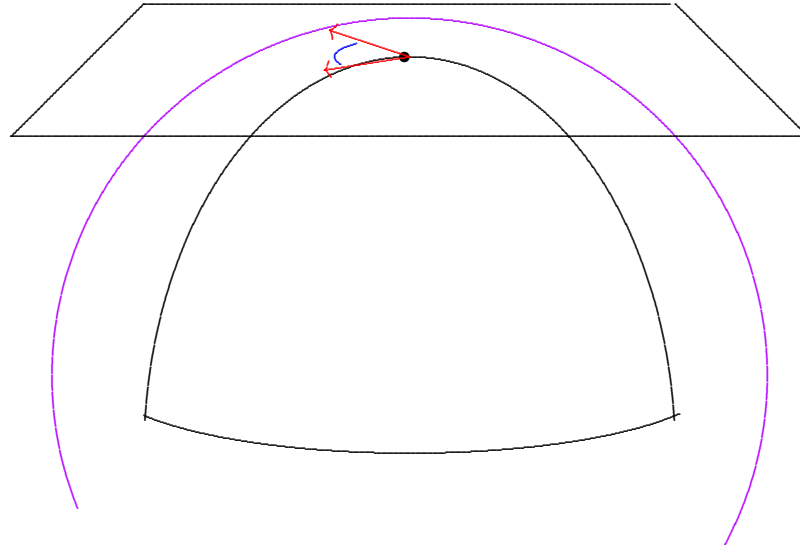
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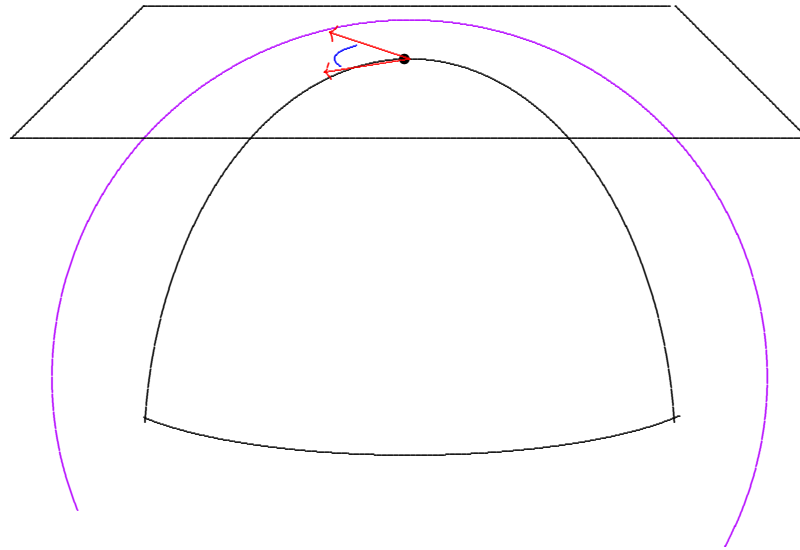
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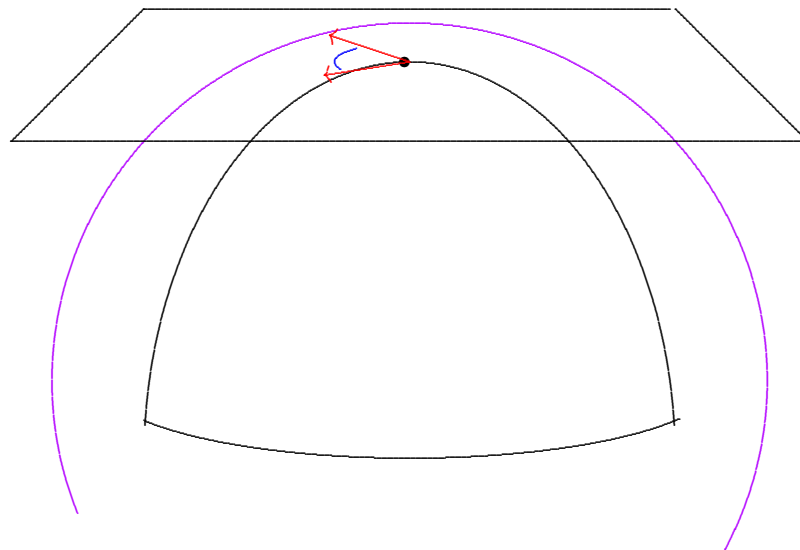
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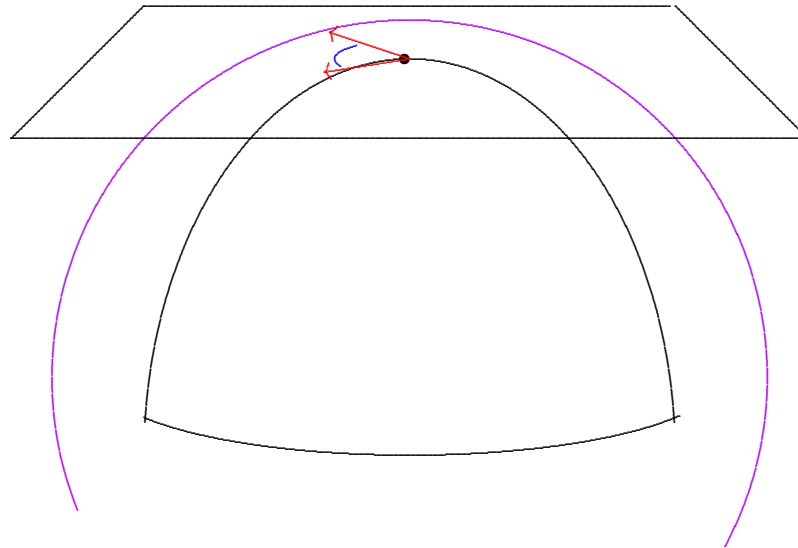
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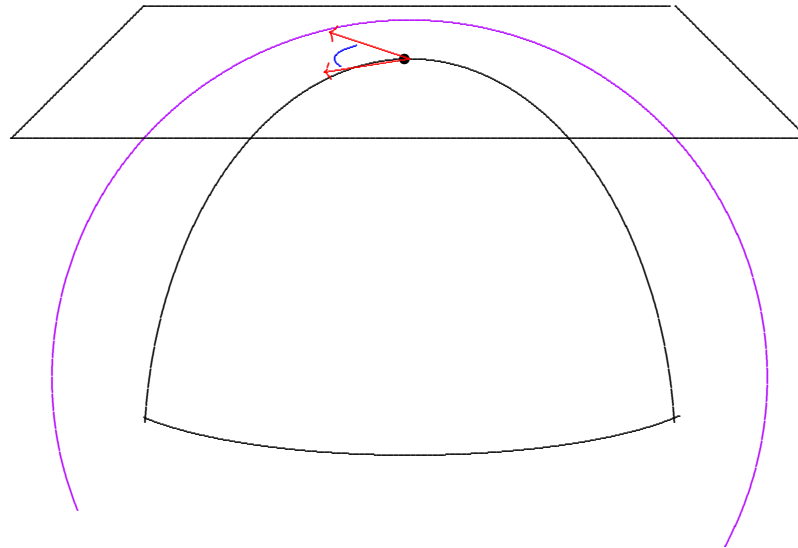
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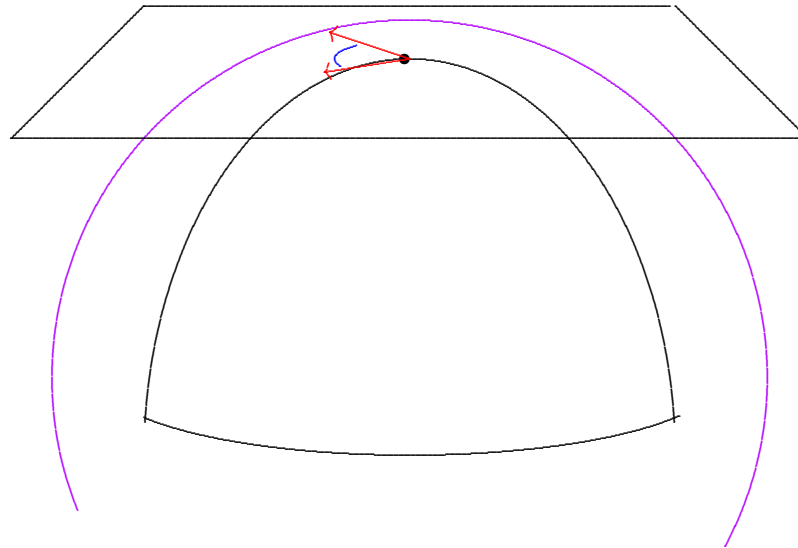
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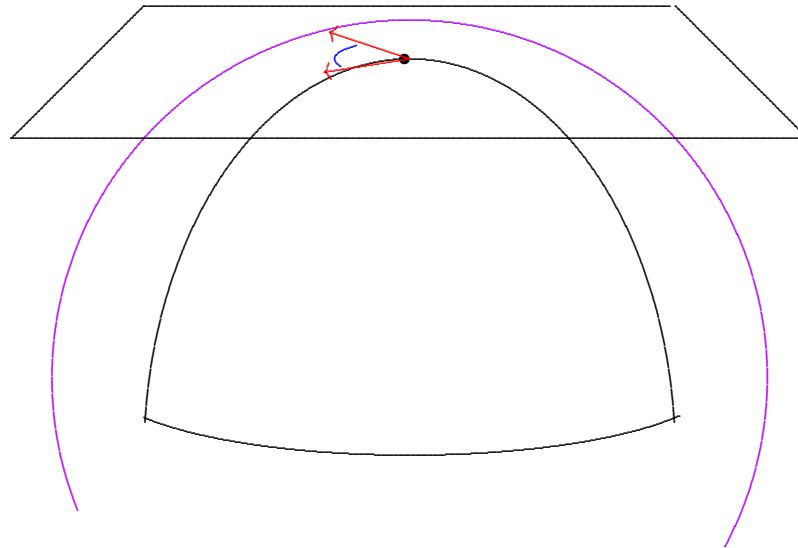
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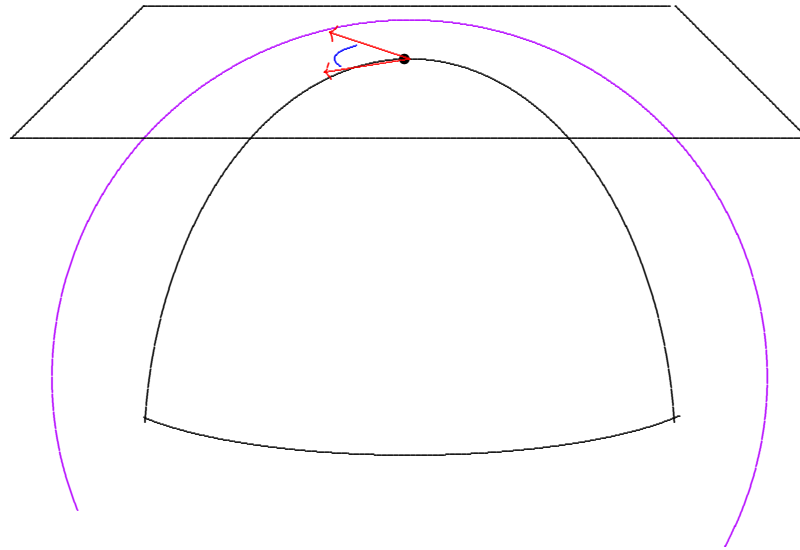
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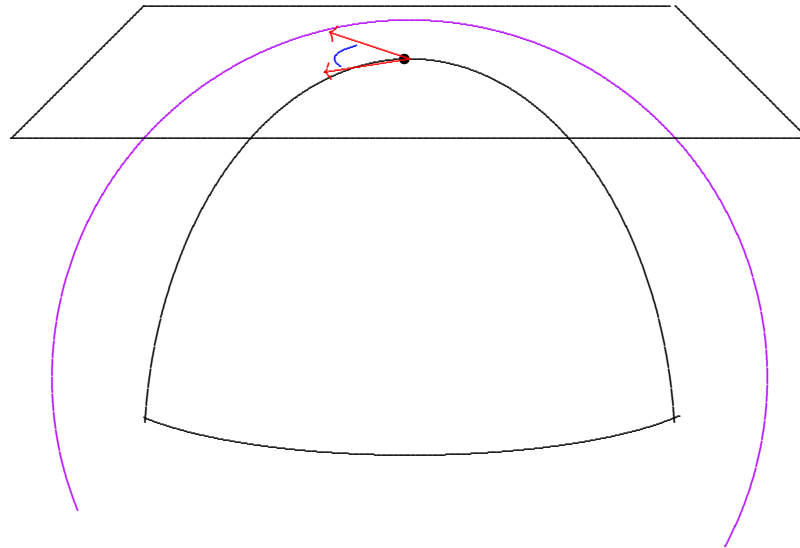
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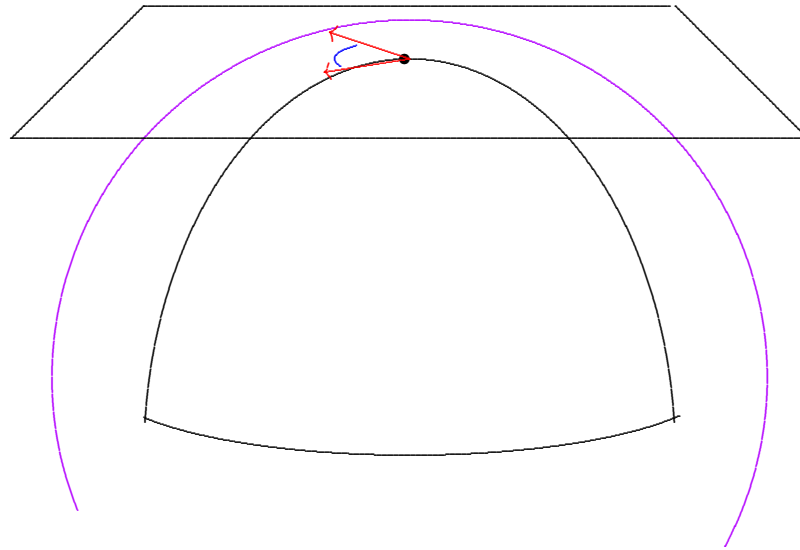
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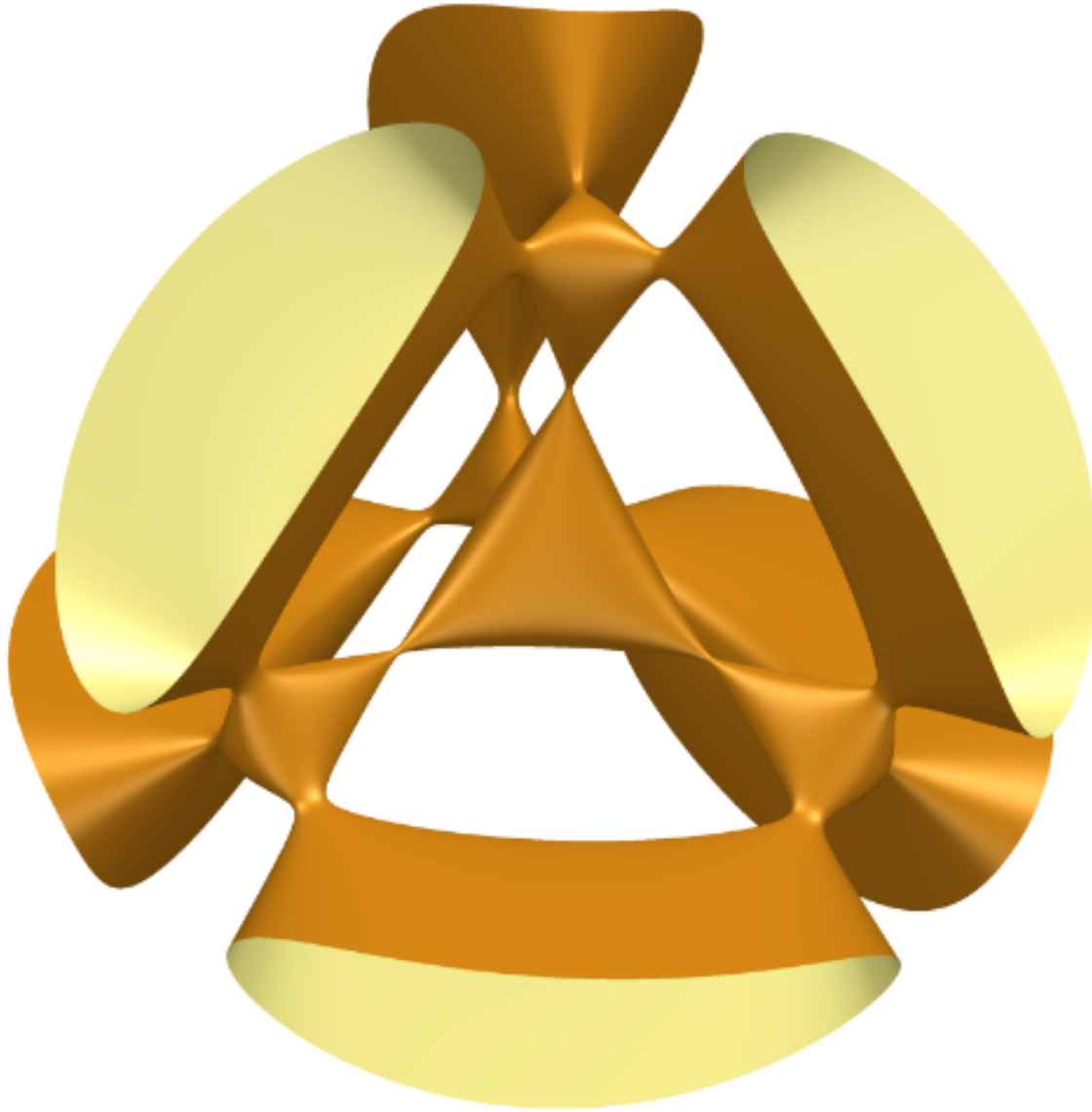
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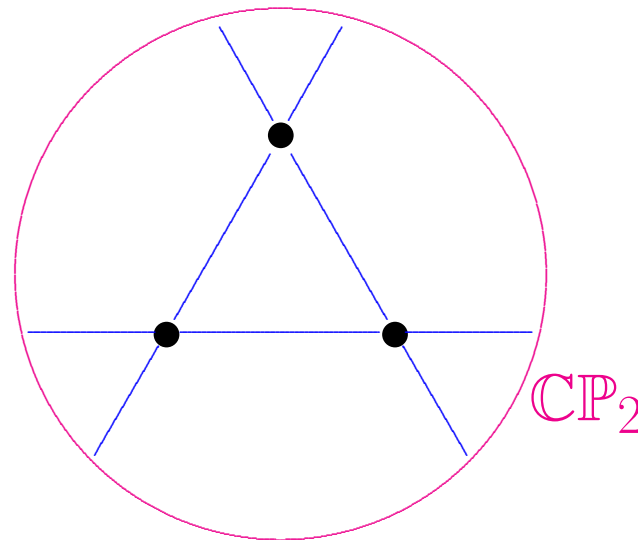


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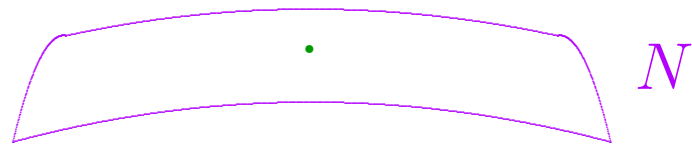
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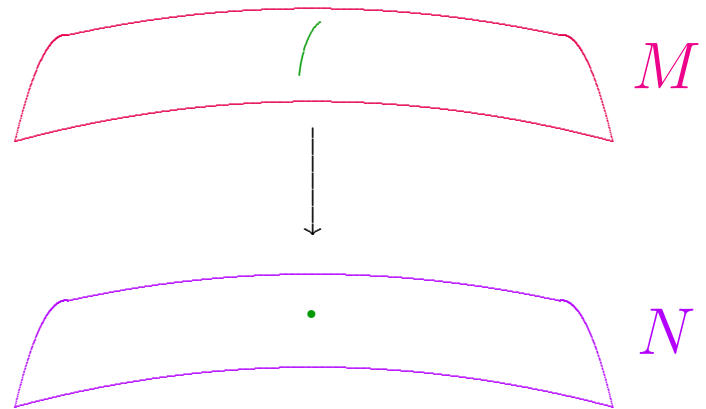
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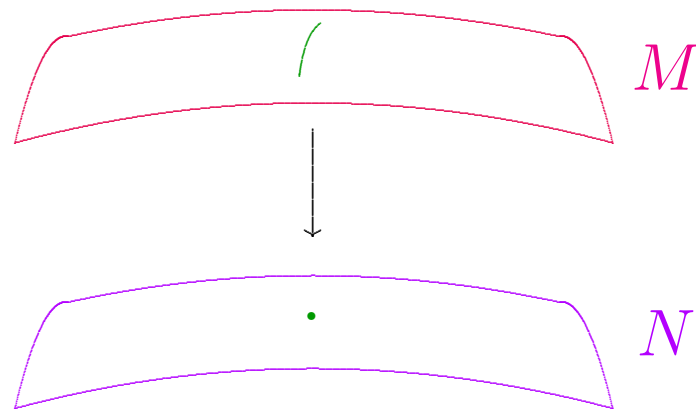
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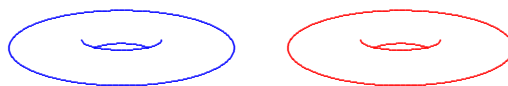
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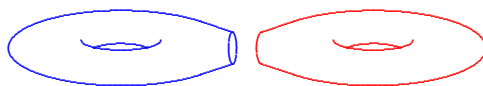


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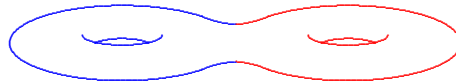


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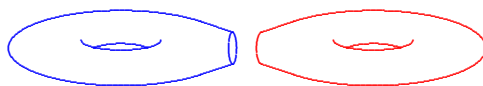


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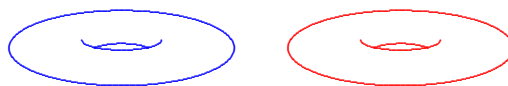


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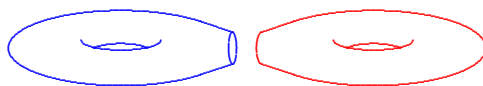


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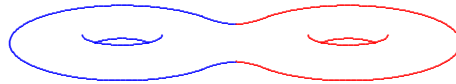


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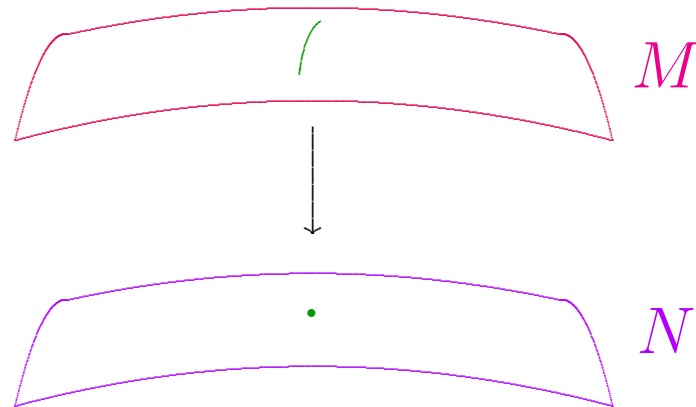
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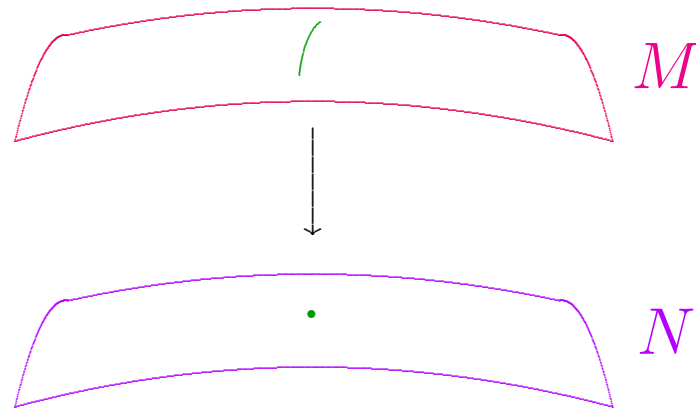


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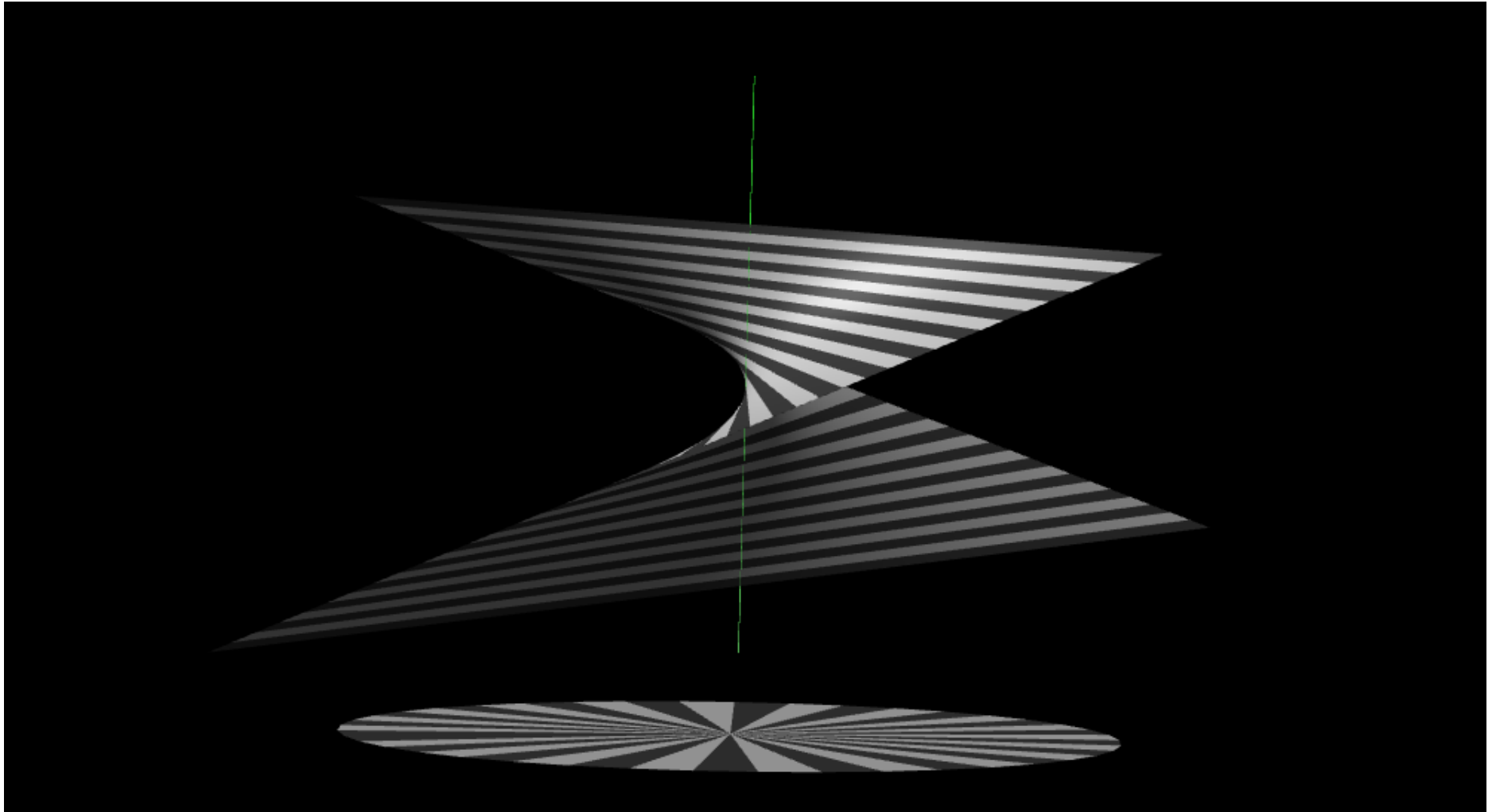
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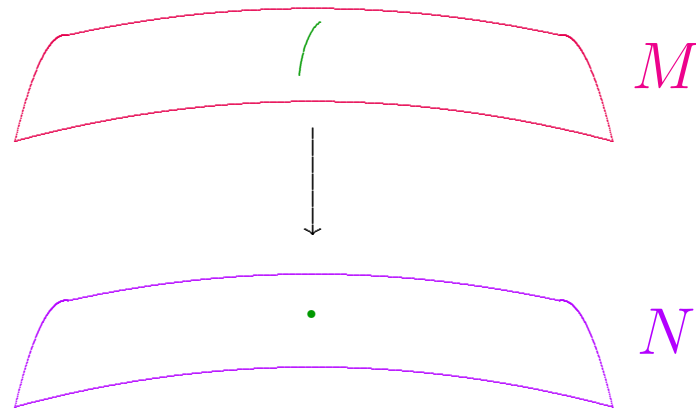


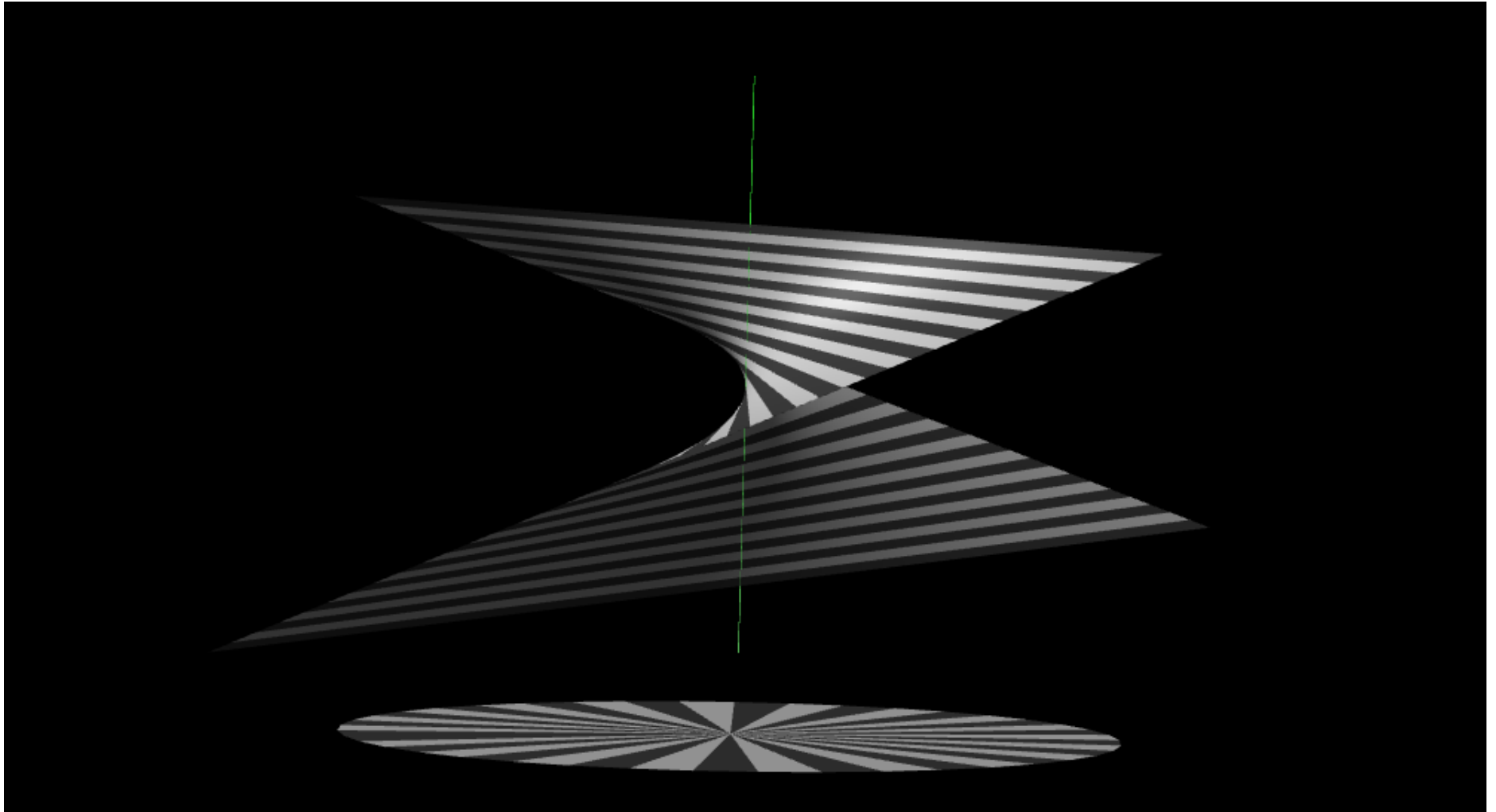
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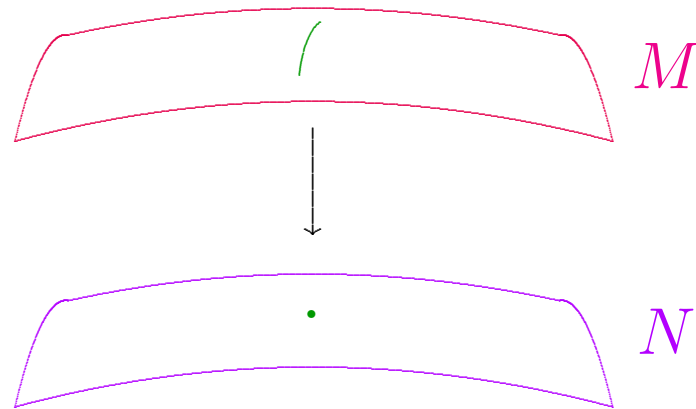


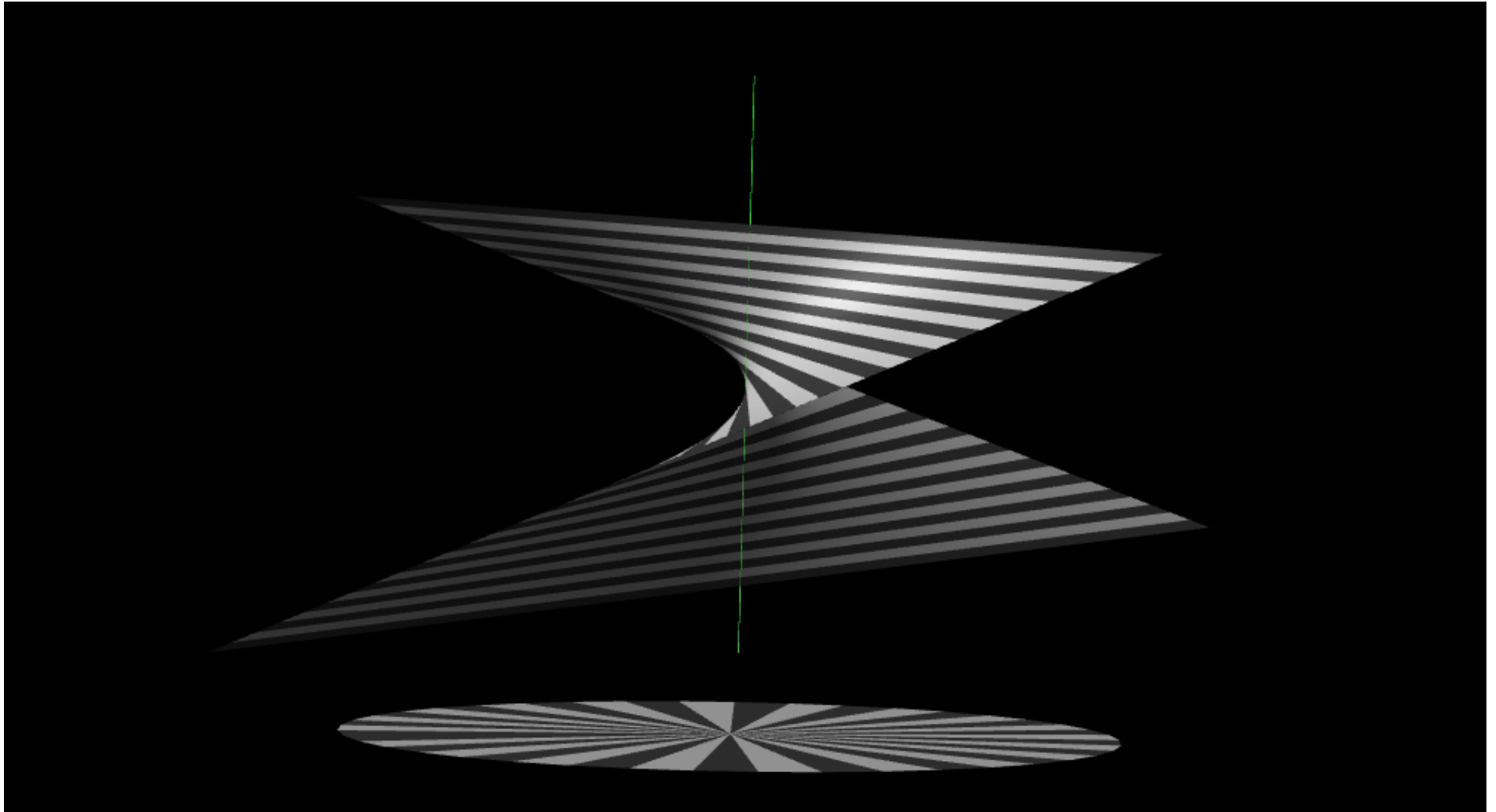
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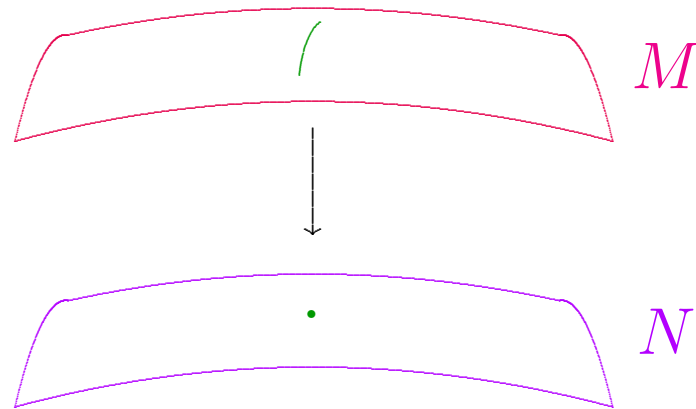


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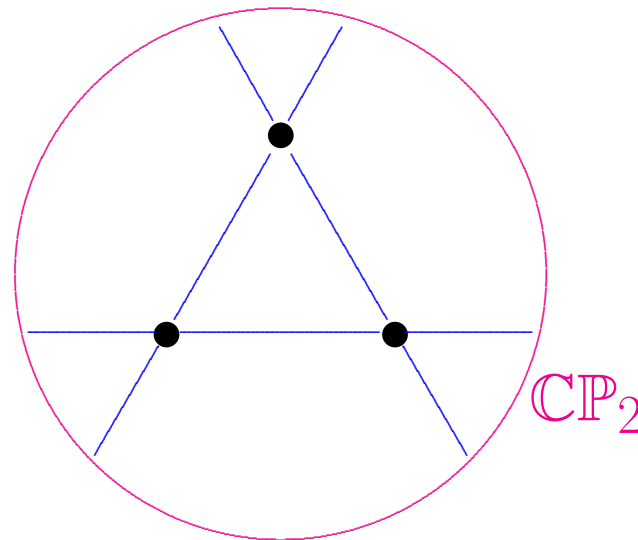


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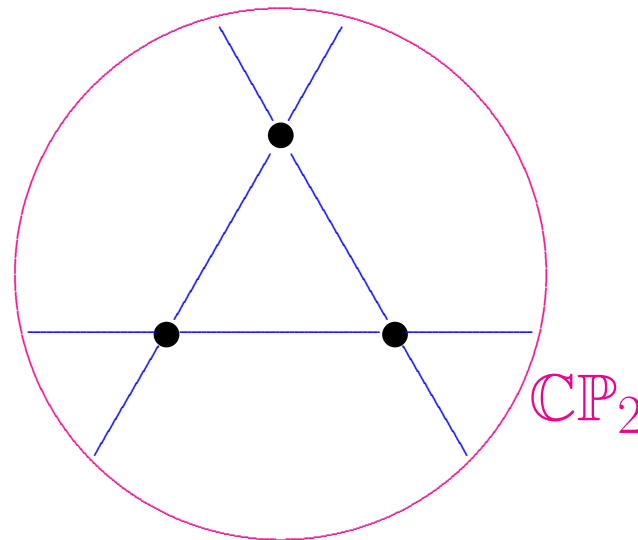
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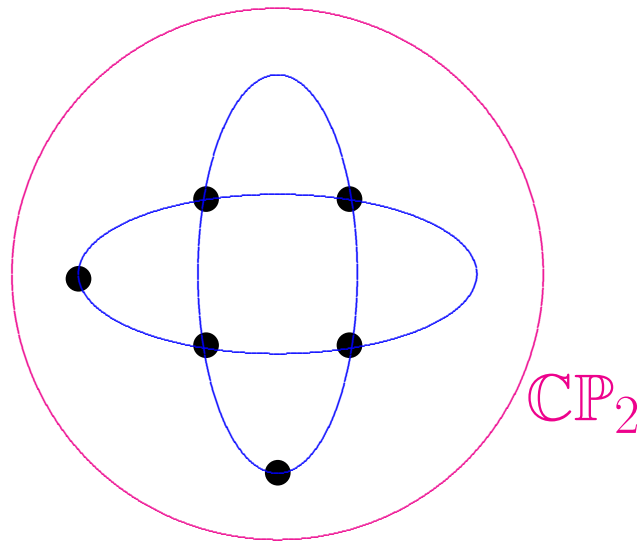
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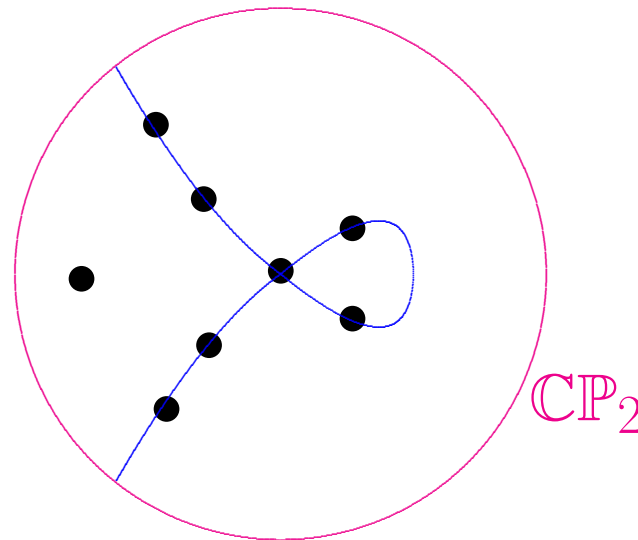


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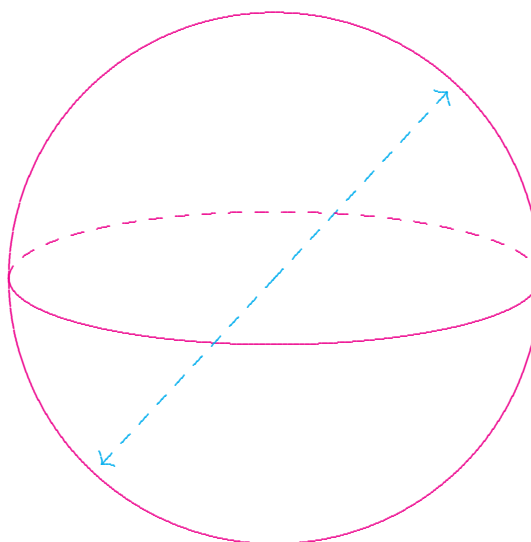
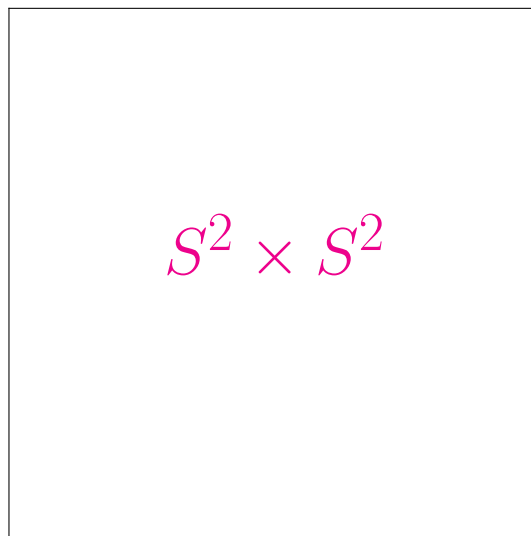
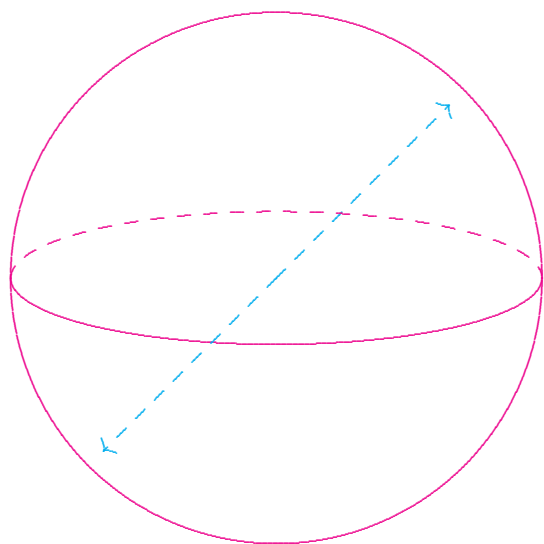
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