

Geometrization of three-manifolds.

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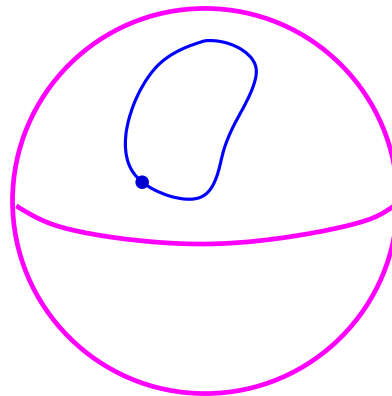
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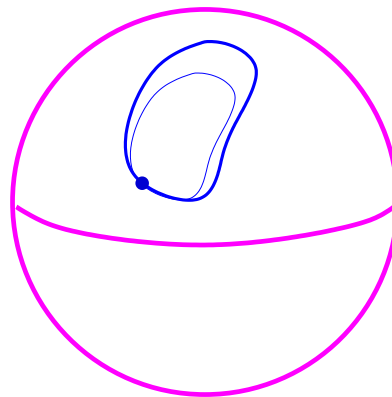
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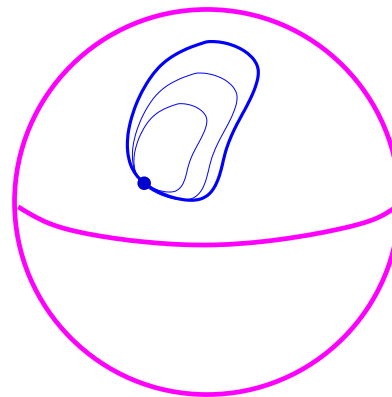
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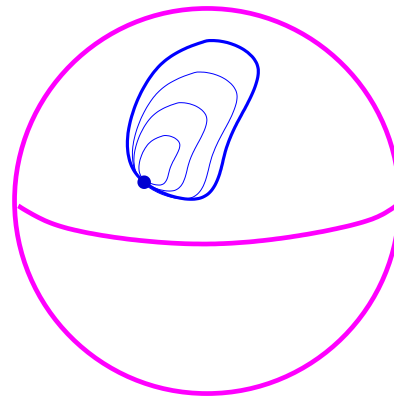
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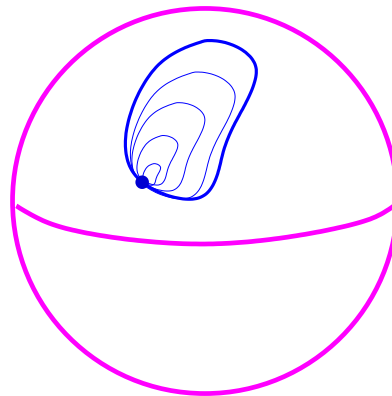
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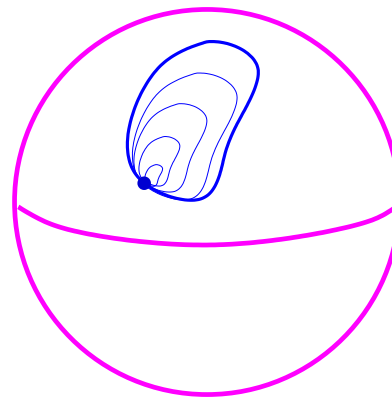
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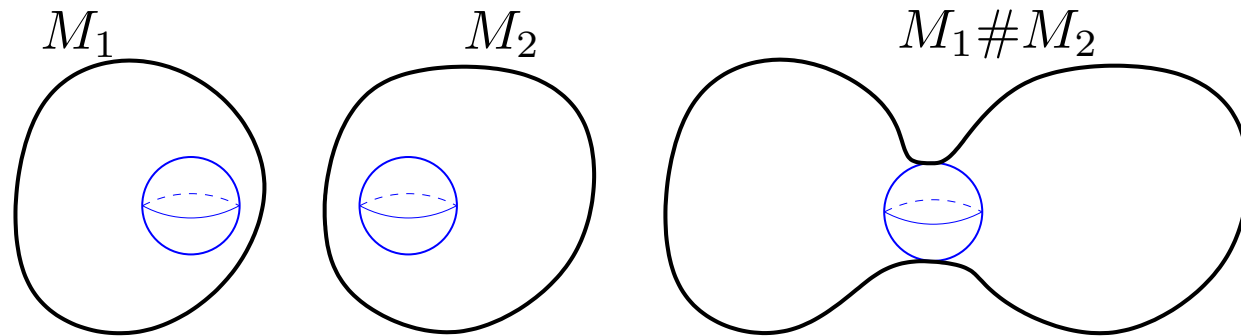
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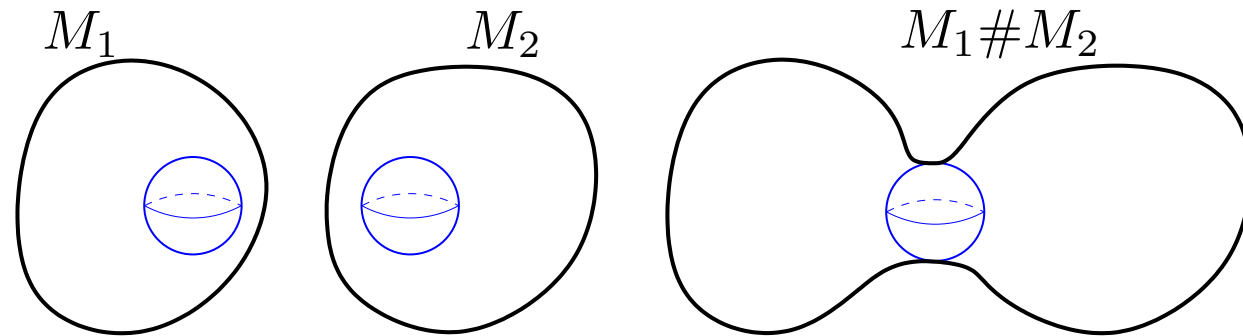
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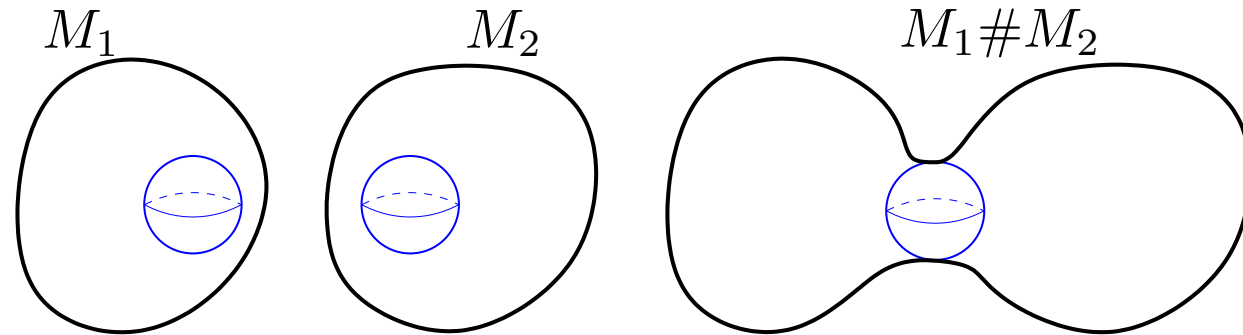
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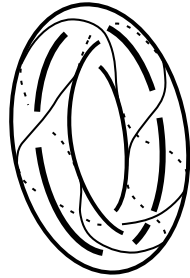
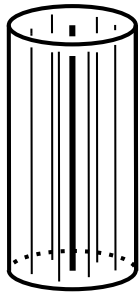
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M^3 is **prime** iff M^3 is **irreducible** or $M^3 \cong S^2 \times S^1$

irreducible: every embedded 2-sphere in M^3 bounds a ball in M^3

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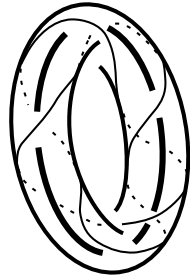
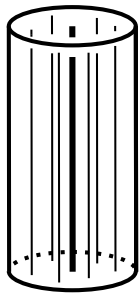


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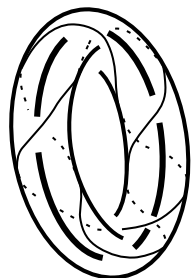
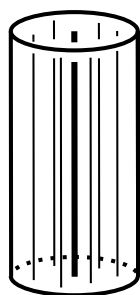
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Examples:

- $T^3 = S^1 \times S^1 \times S^1$
- $S^3 = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^2 \mid |z| = 1\}$ Hopf fibration: $S^1 \rightarrow S^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^1 \cong S^2$
- Lens Spaces: $L(p, q) = S^3 / \sim$, $(z_1, z_2) \sim (e^{\frac{2\pi i}{p}} z_1, e^{\frac{2\pi i q}{p}} z_2)$
for p, q coprime

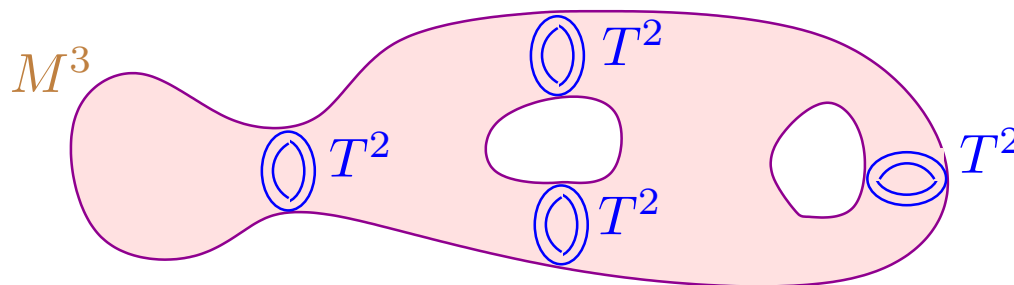
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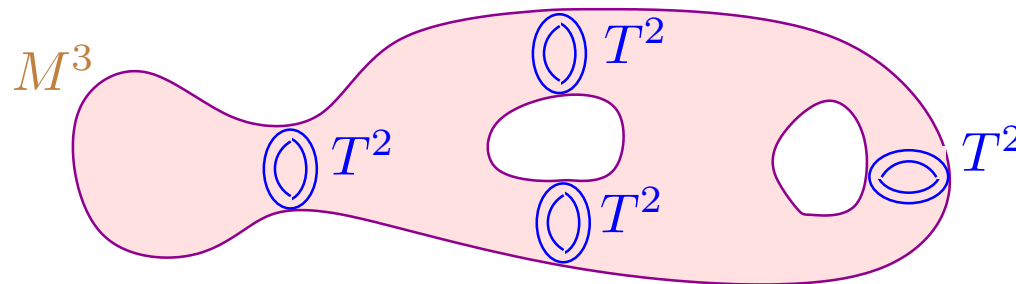
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Hyperbolic: $\text{int}(M^3)$ complete Riemannian metric of curvature $\equiv -1$

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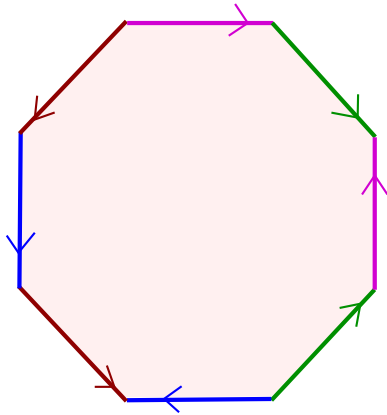
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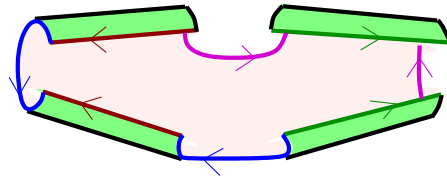
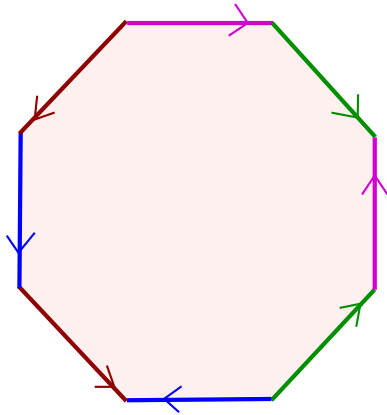
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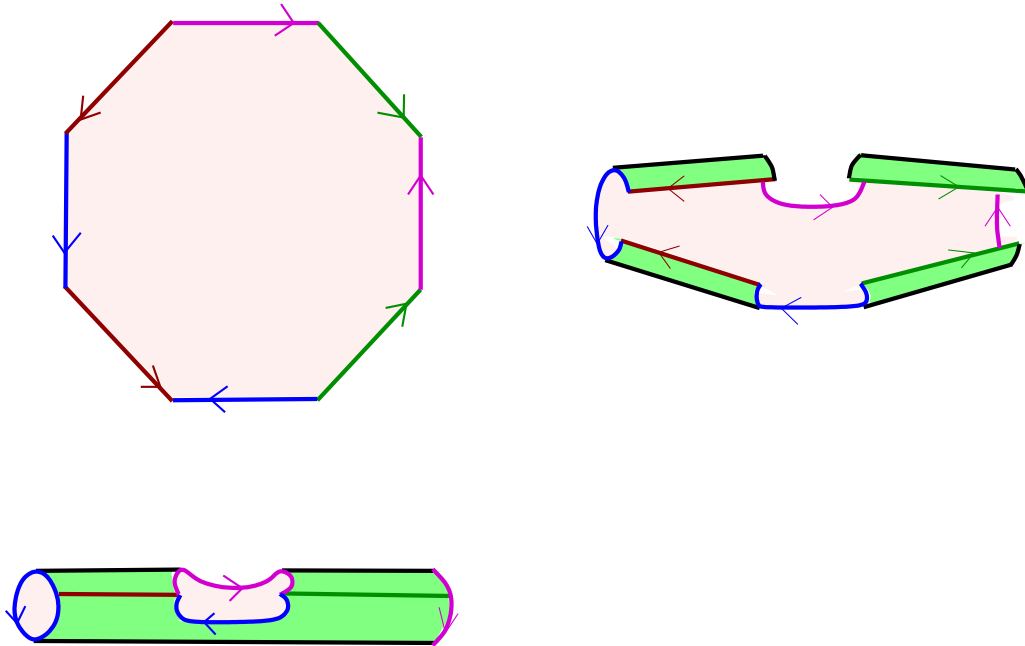
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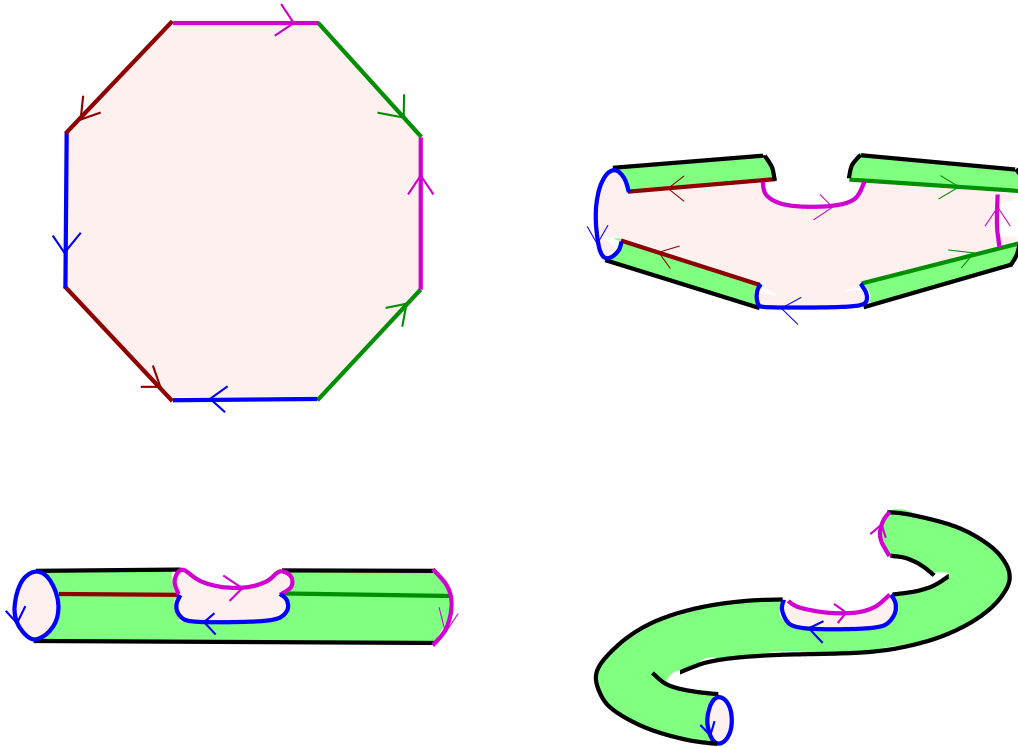
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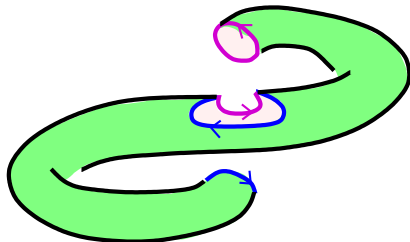
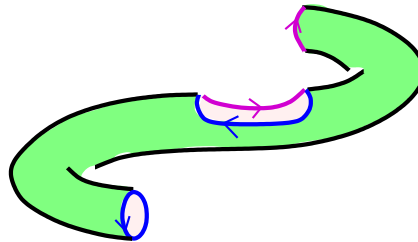
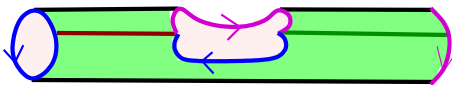
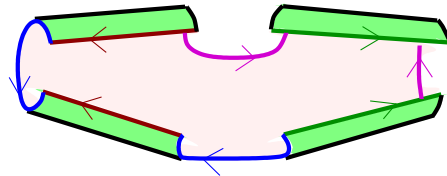
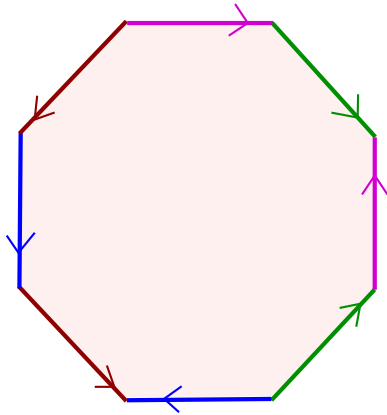
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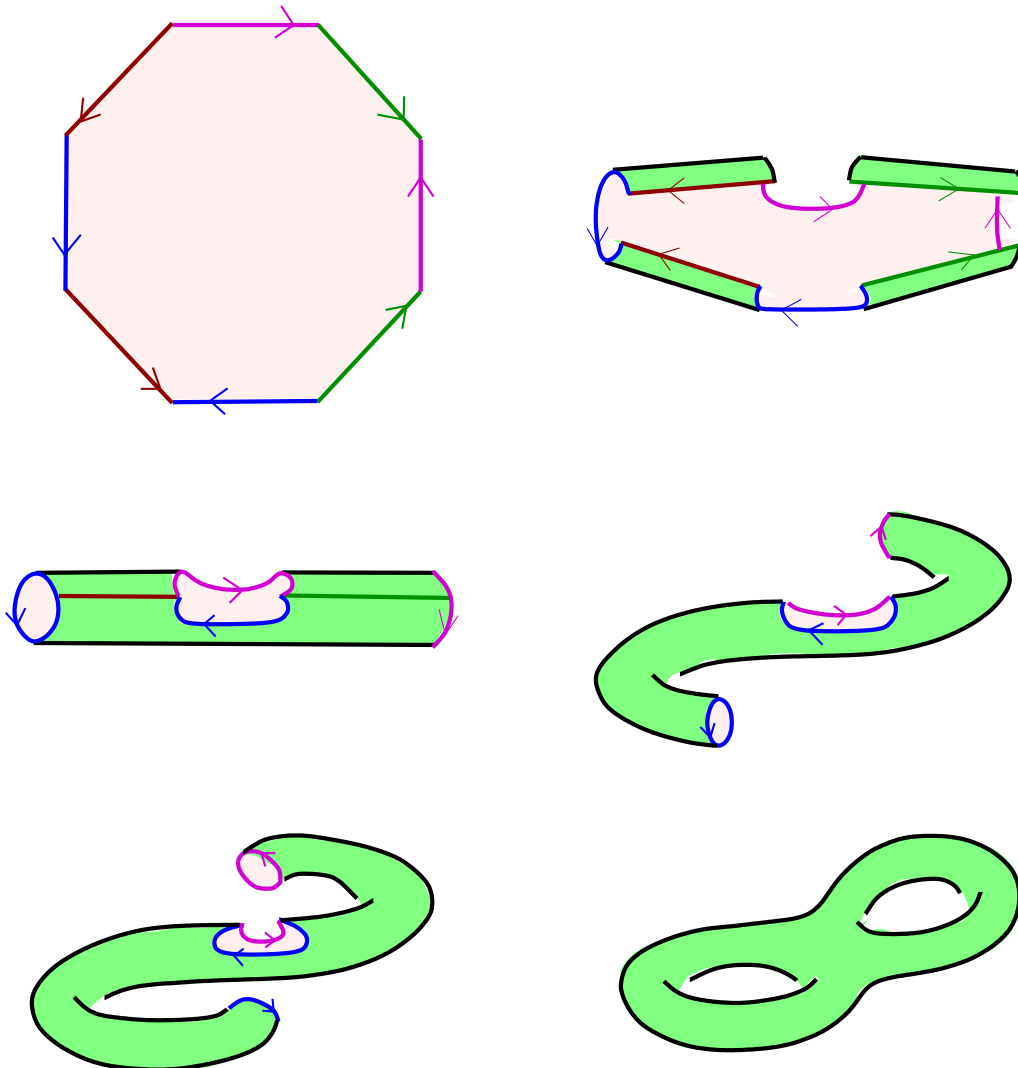
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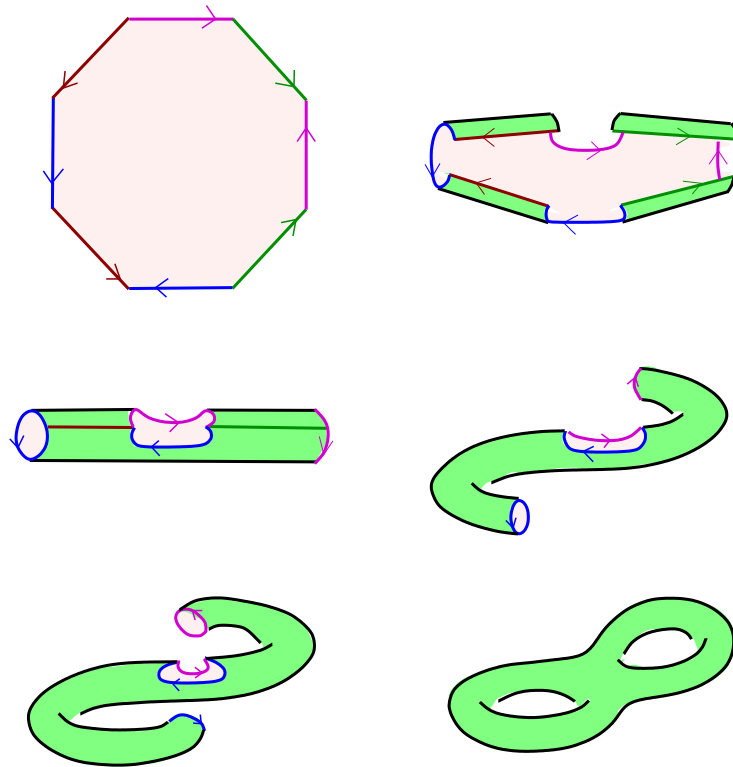
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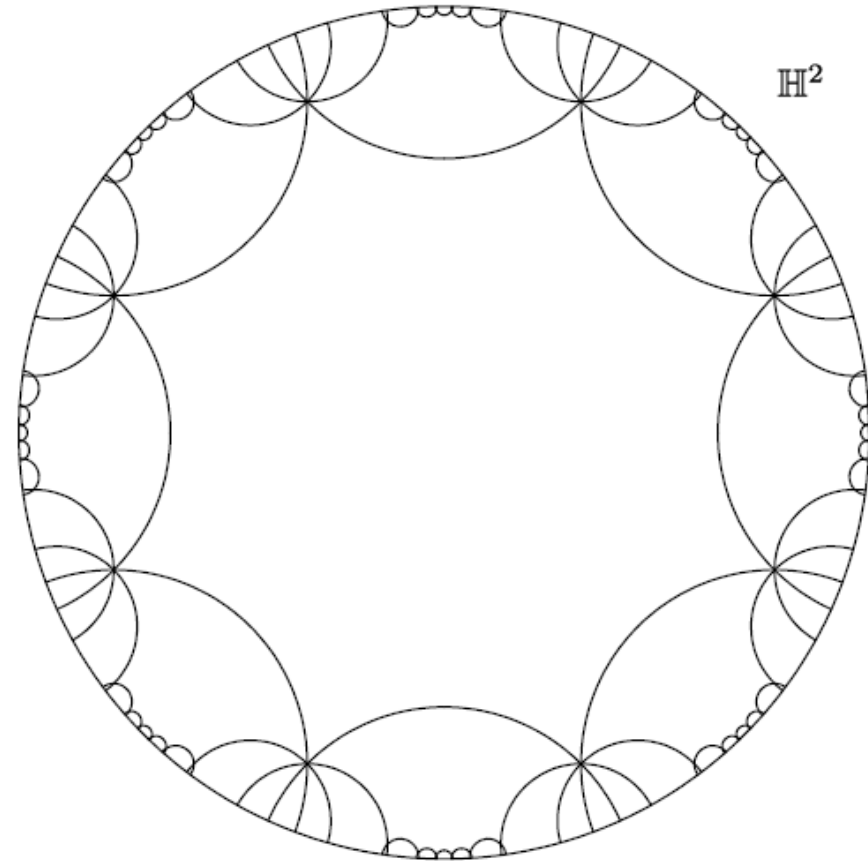
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- $\tilde{M} \rightarrow M$ covering of order $[M : \tilde{M}] < \infty$, $b_1(\tilde{M}) = \dim_{\mathbb{Q}} H_1(\tilde{M}; \mathbb{Q})$.

$$\lim_{\tilde{M}} \frac{b_1(\tilde{M})}{[M : \tilde{M}]} = 0 \text{ (Lück)}$$

- For π infinite and non-solvable,

$$\limsup_{\tilde{M}} b_1(\tilde{M}) = \infty \text{ (Agol, Kahn-Markovic, Wise)}$$

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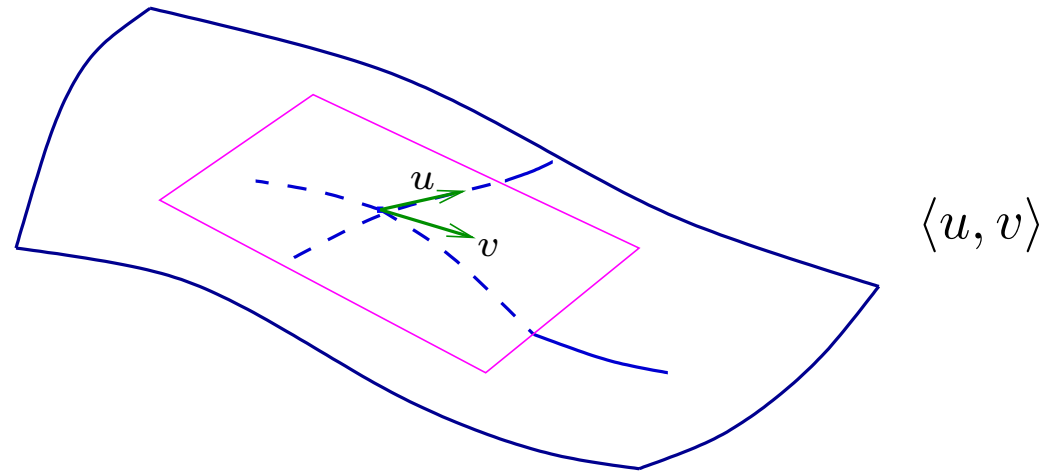
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- Thurston knew how to prove it for Haken manifolds
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 - If M^3 irreducible and $H_1(M^3; \mathbf{Q}) \neq 0$ then M^3 Haken
 - If M^3 irreducible and $\partial M^3 \neq \emptyset$ then M^3 Haken
 - M^3 Haken iff it has a hierarchy ("nice" decomposition into balls).

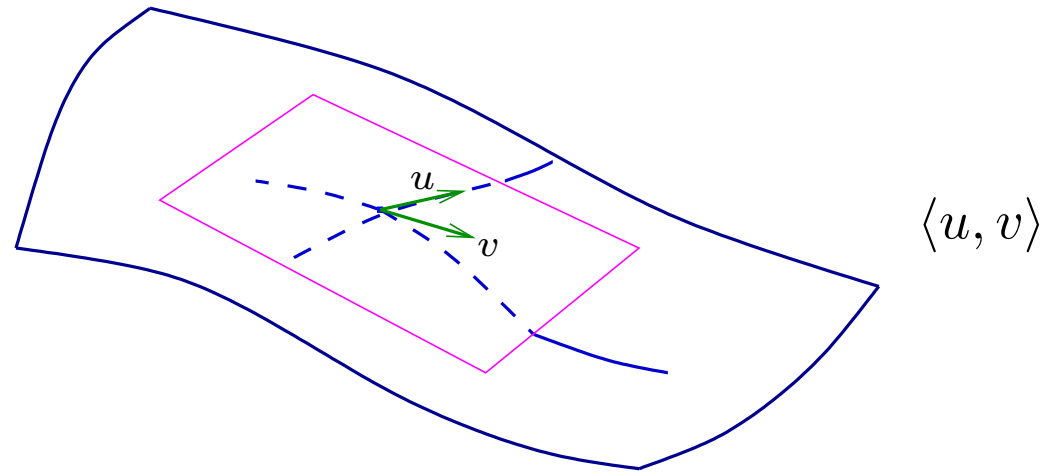
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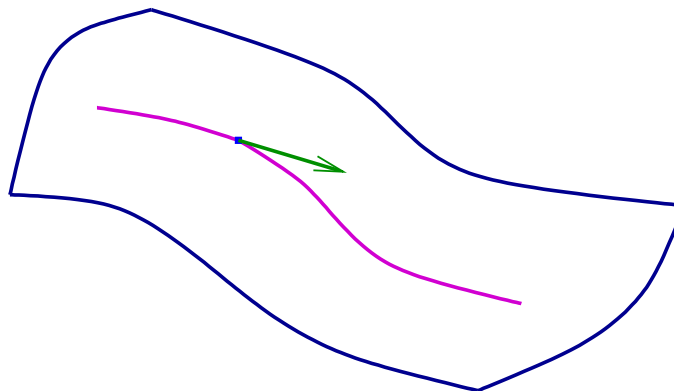
This is an example of tensor

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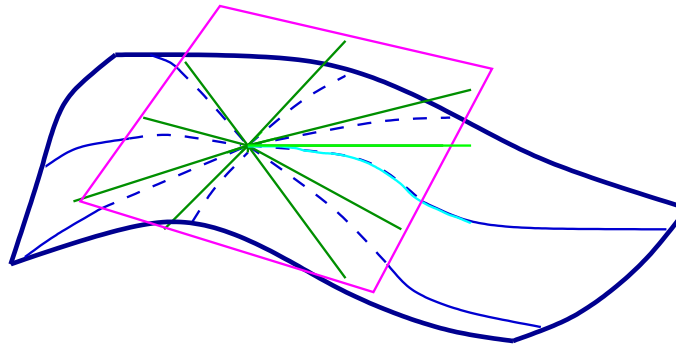
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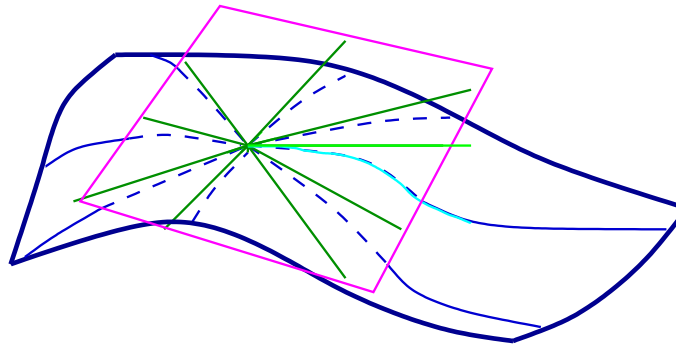
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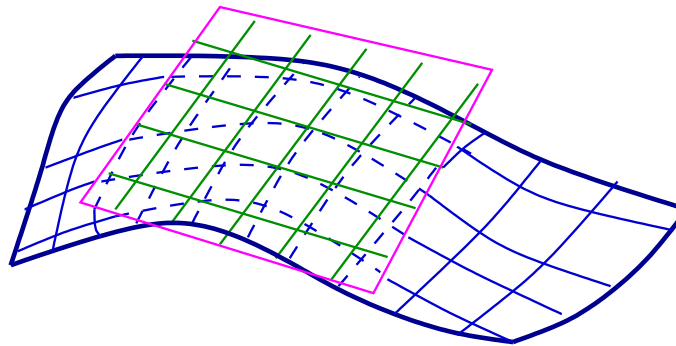
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- $R_{i\alpha\beta j}$ is the Riemannian curvature tensor.
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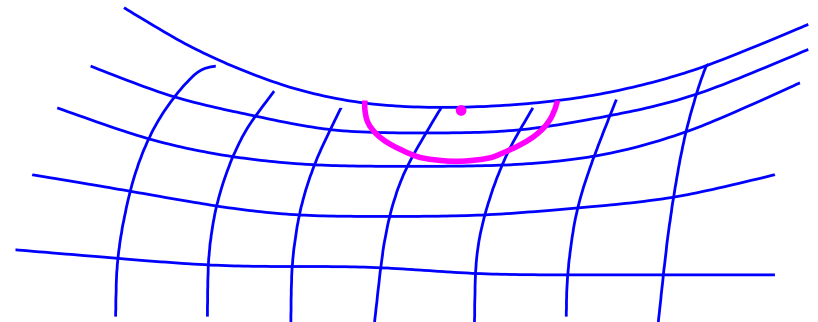
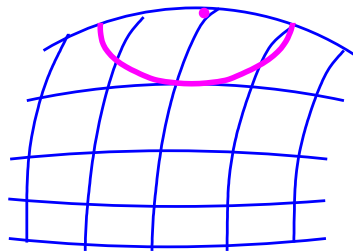
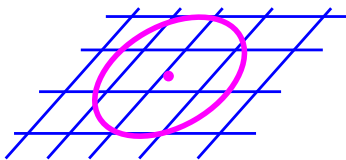
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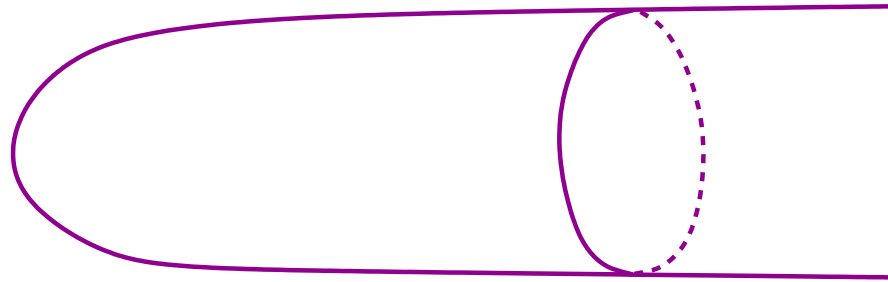
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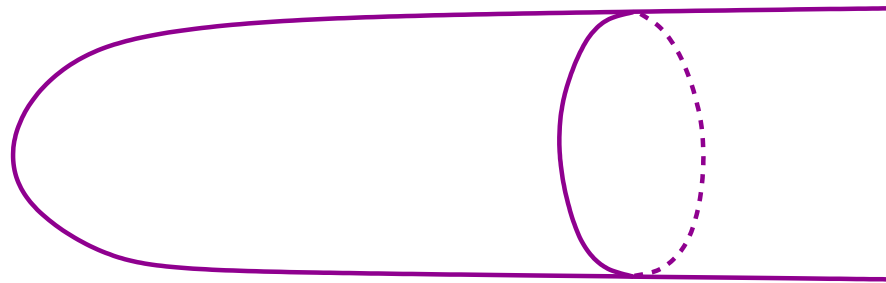
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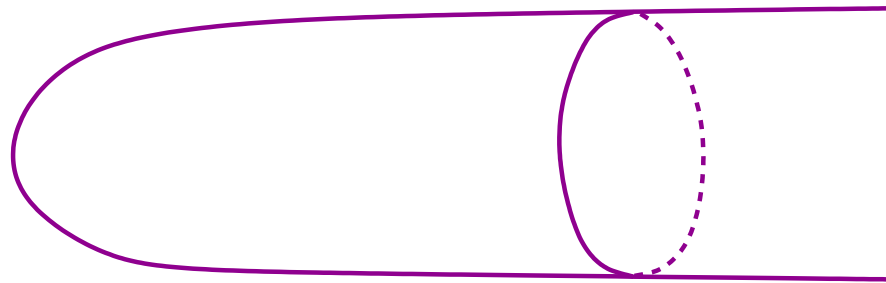
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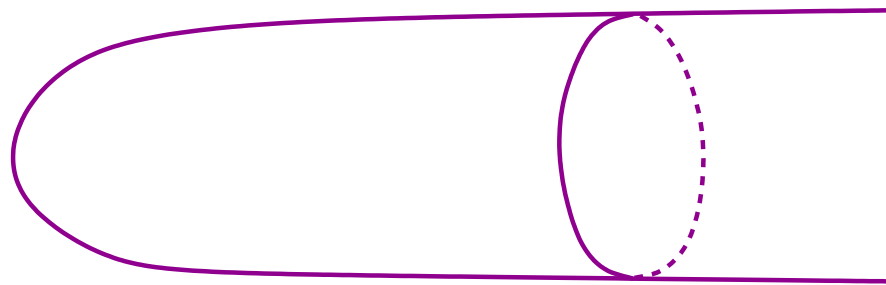
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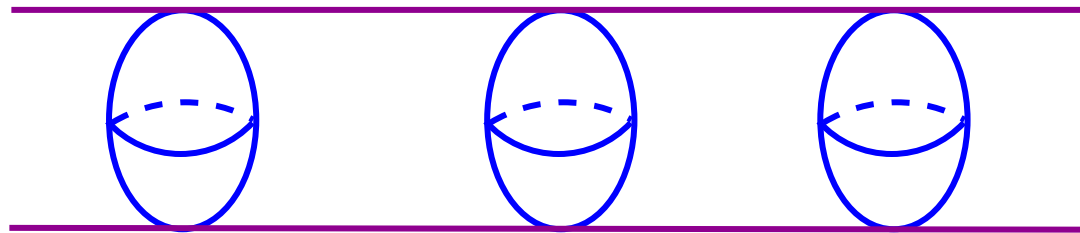


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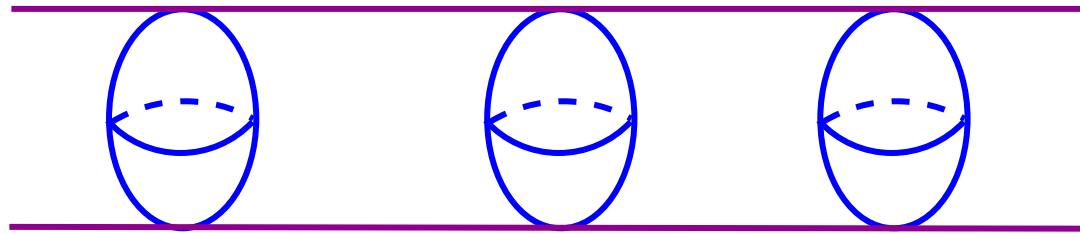
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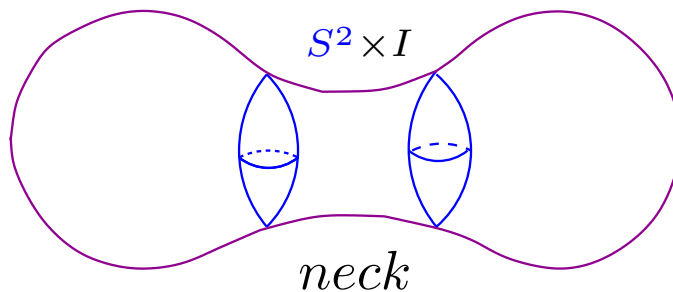
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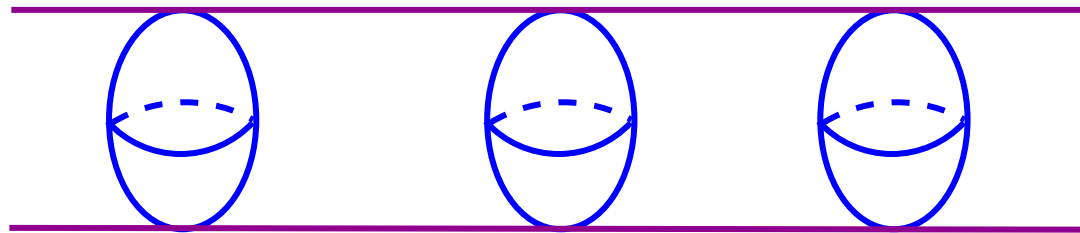
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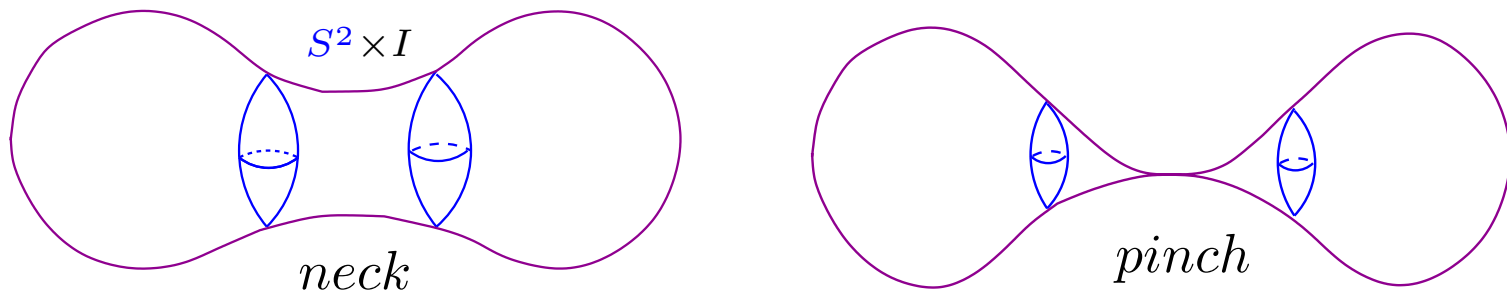
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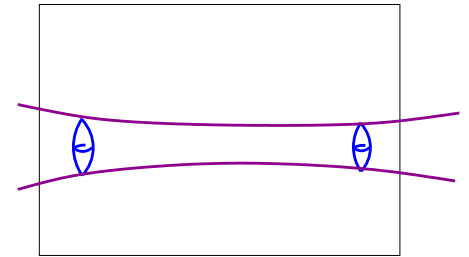
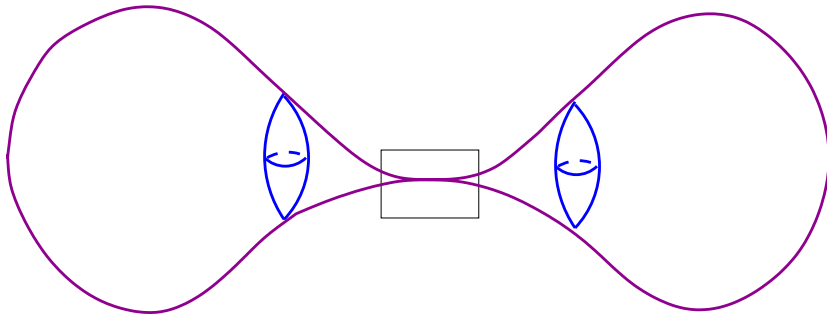


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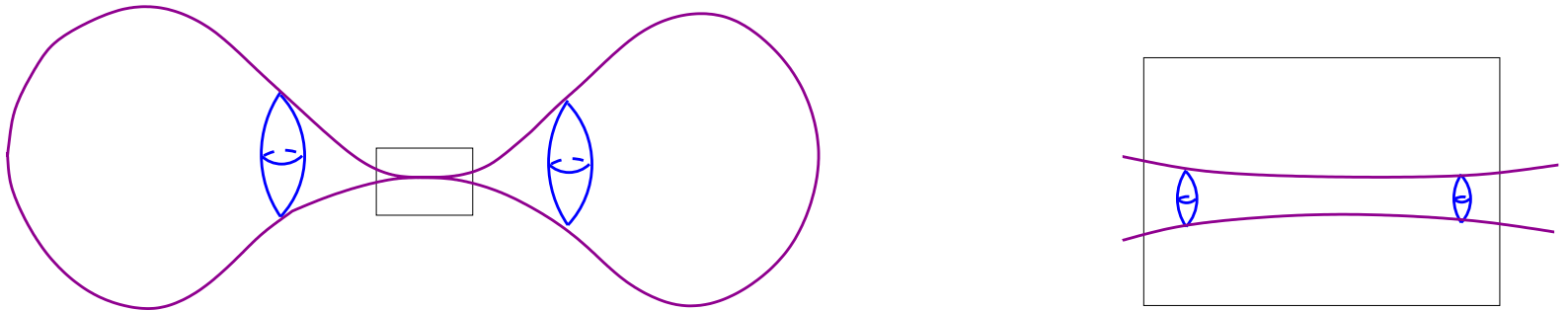
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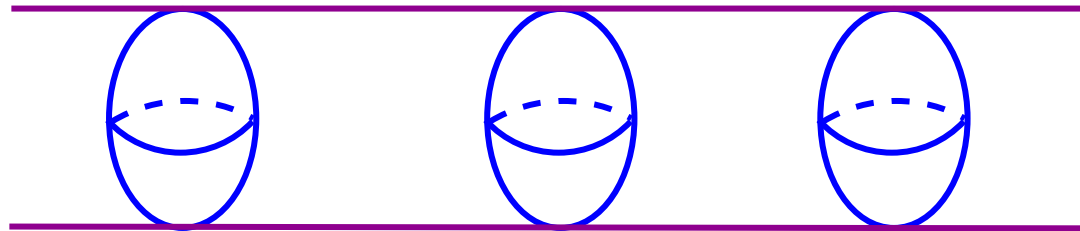
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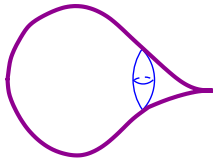
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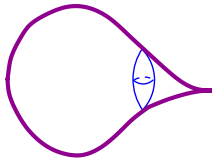
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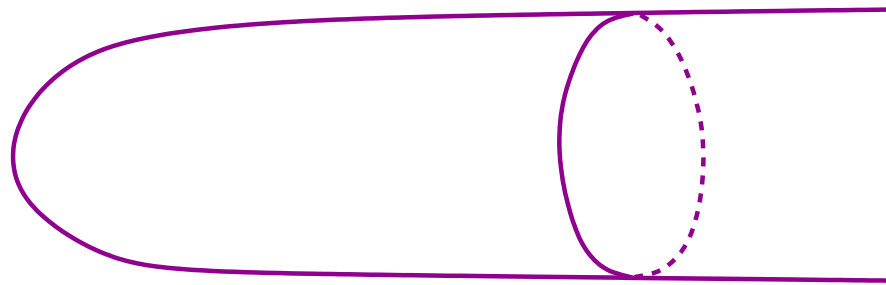
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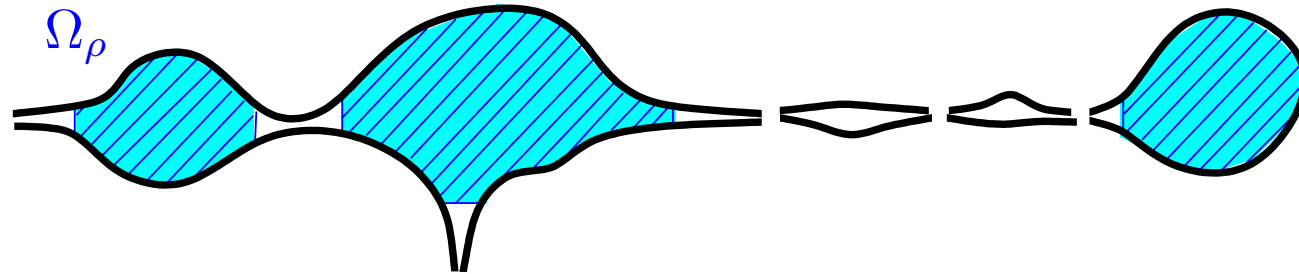
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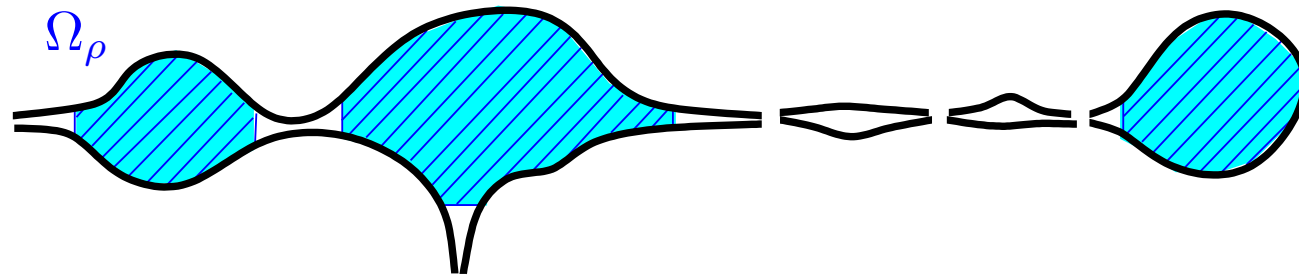


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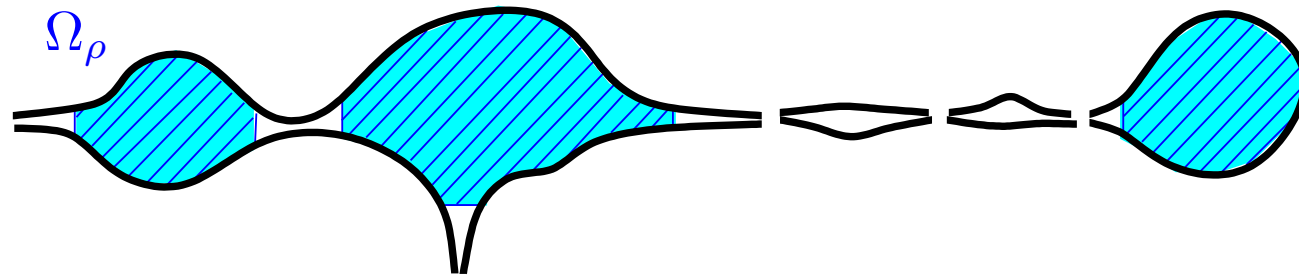
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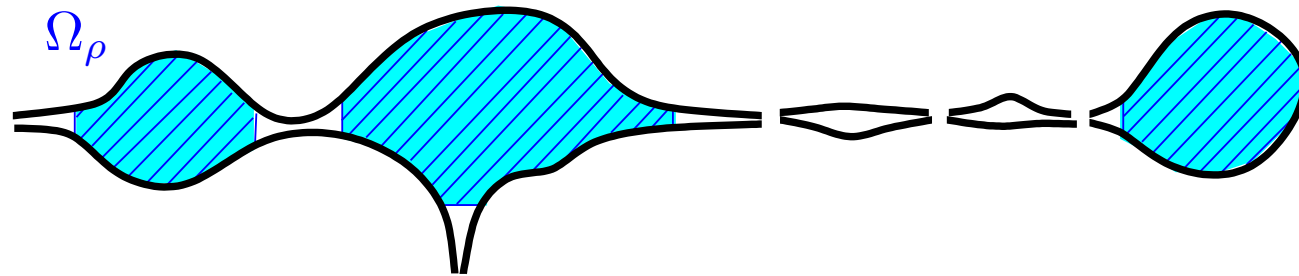
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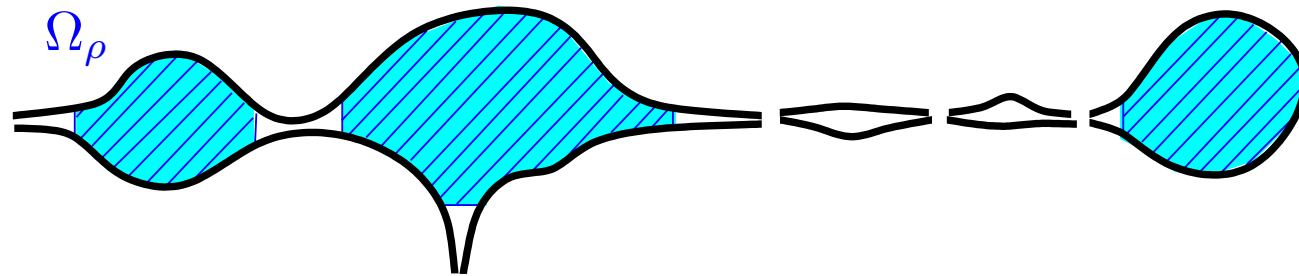
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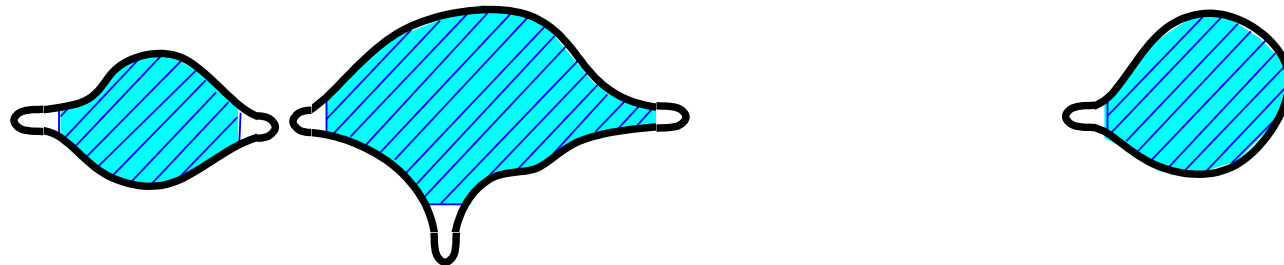
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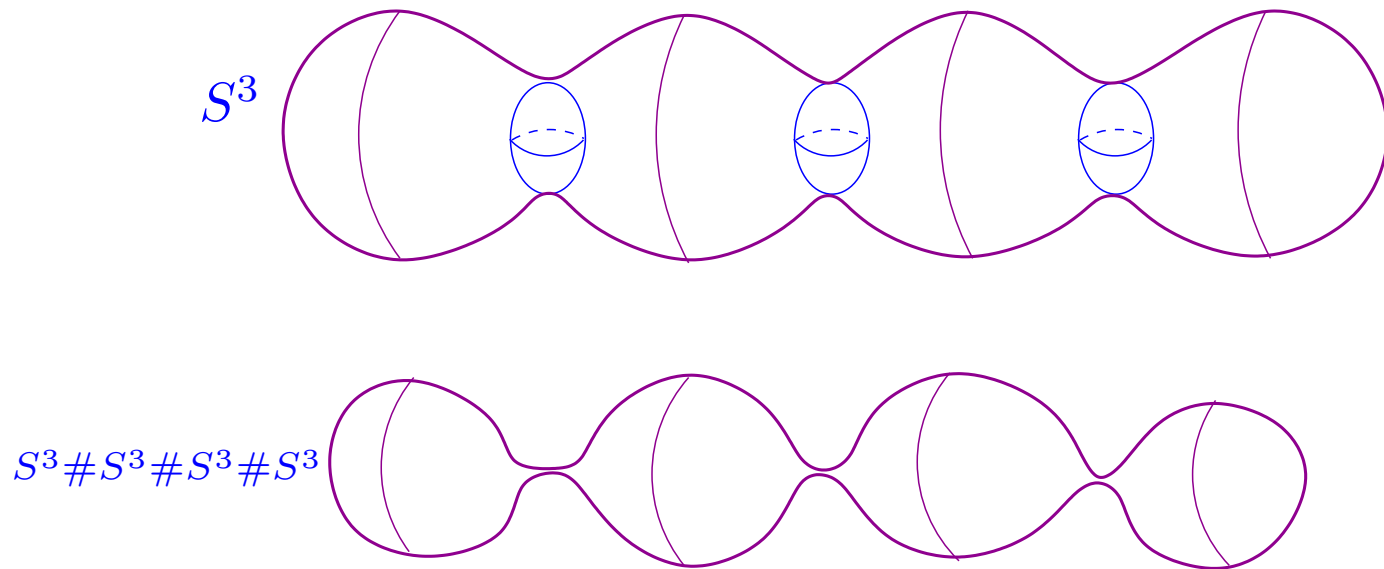
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