

Computational Geometry and Topology

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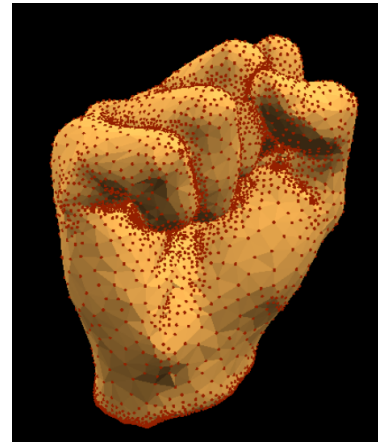
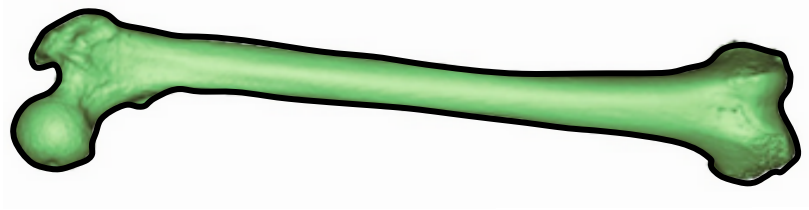


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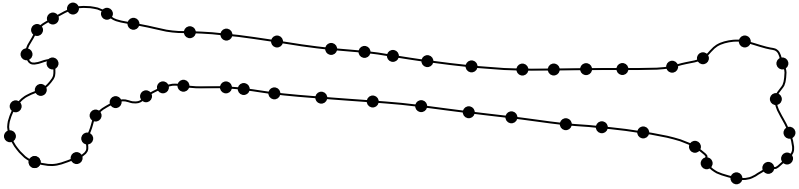
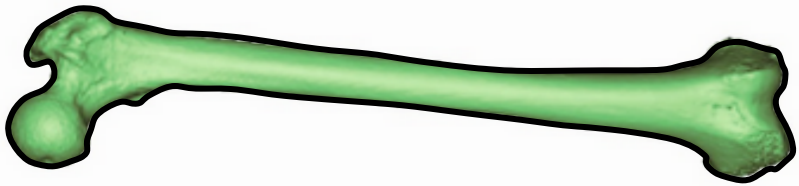
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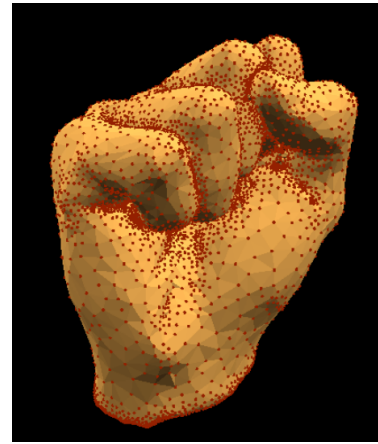
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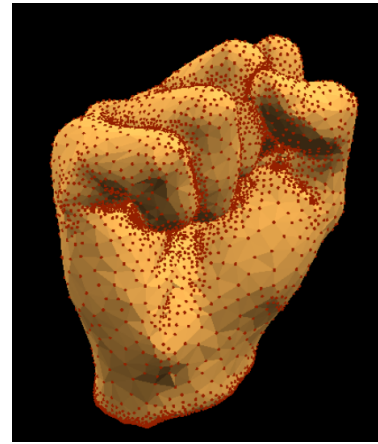
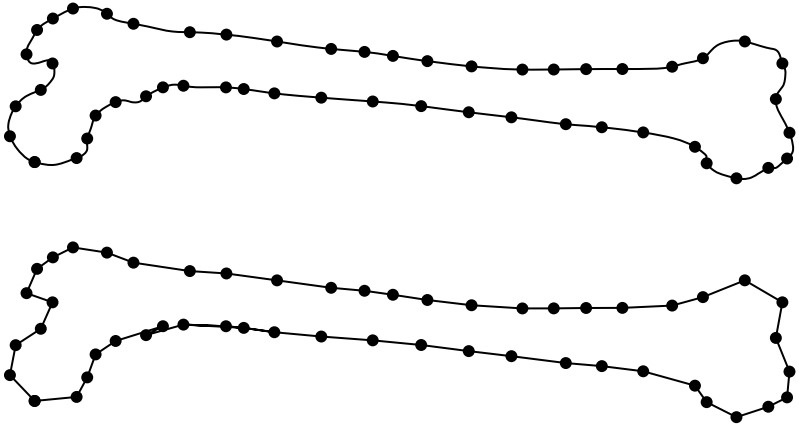
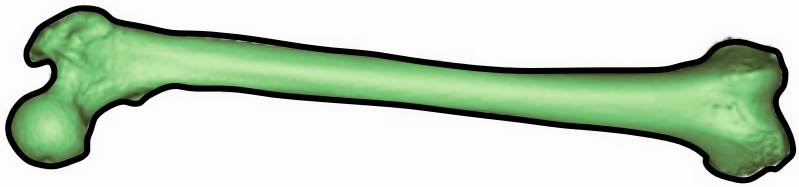


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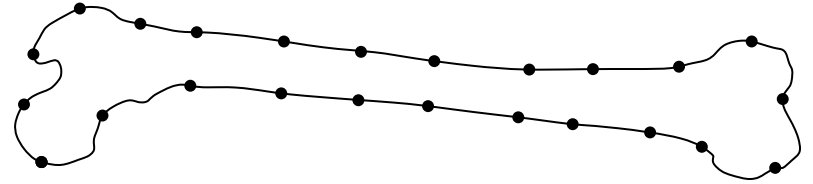
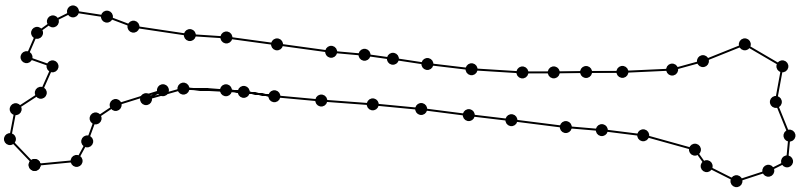
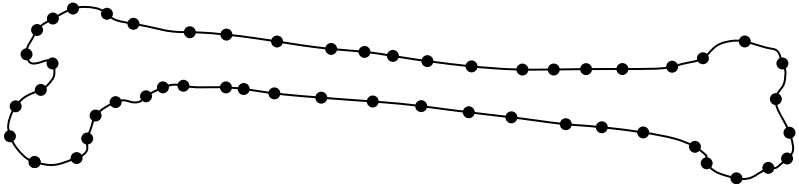
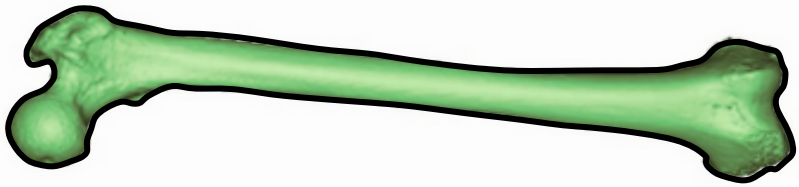
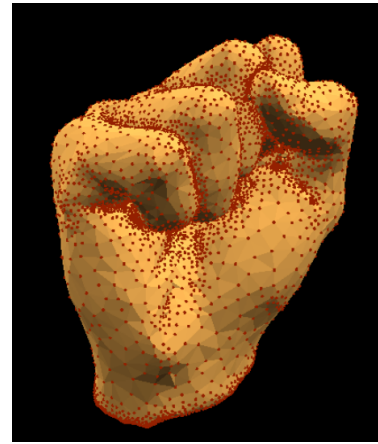
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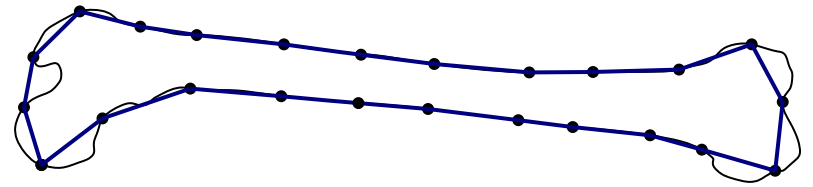
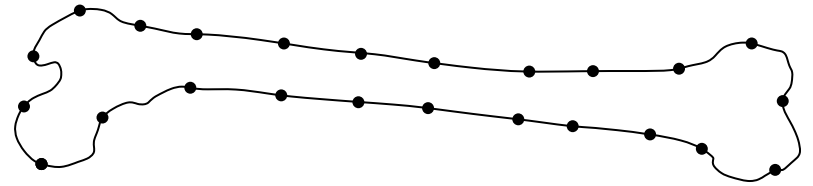
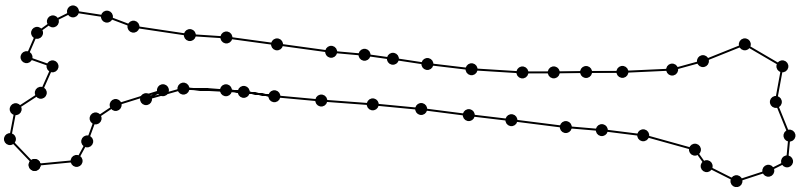
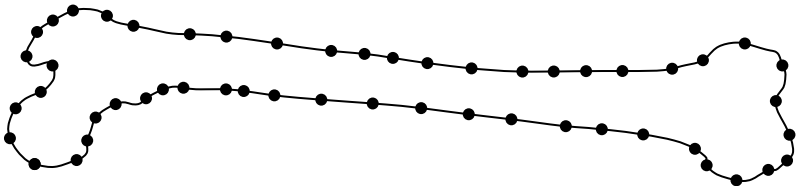
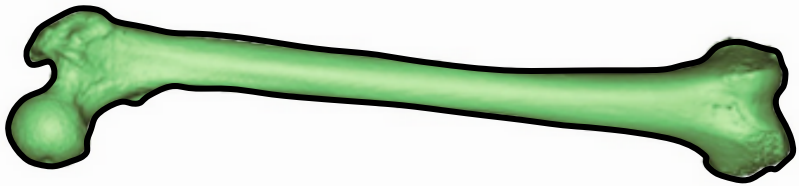
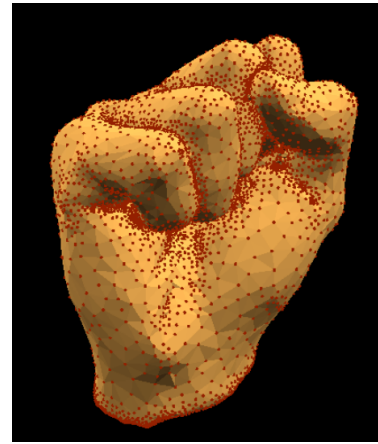
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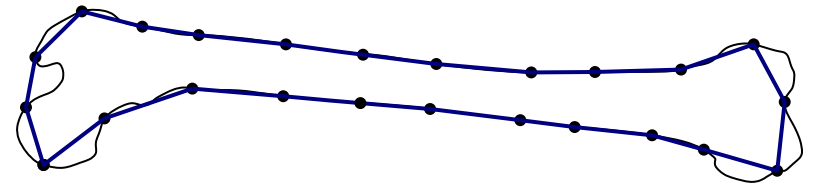
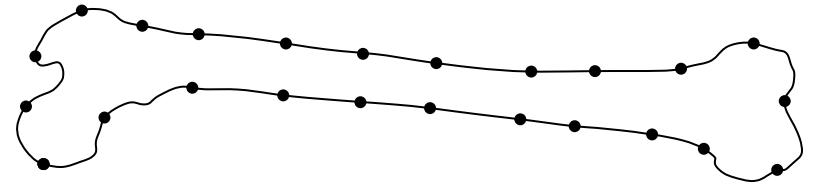
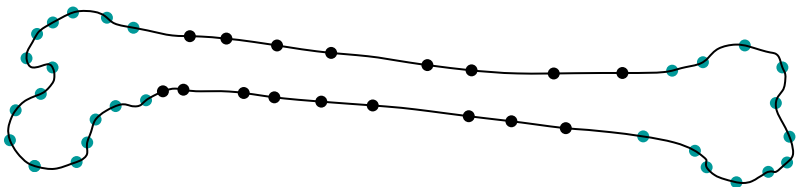
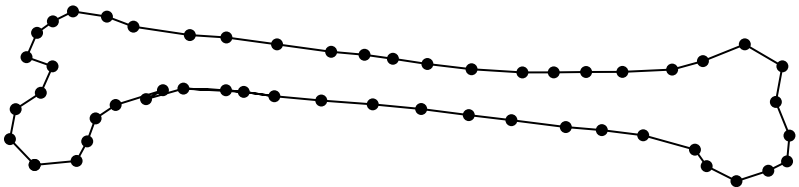
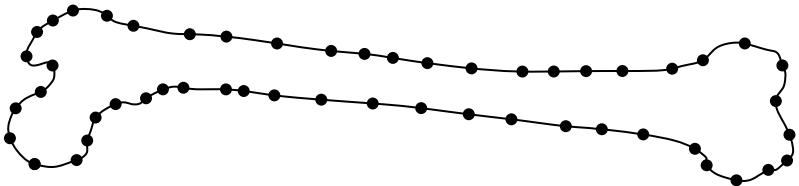
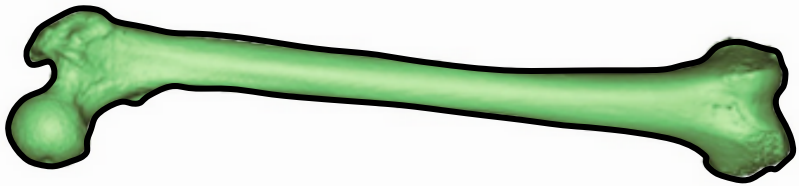
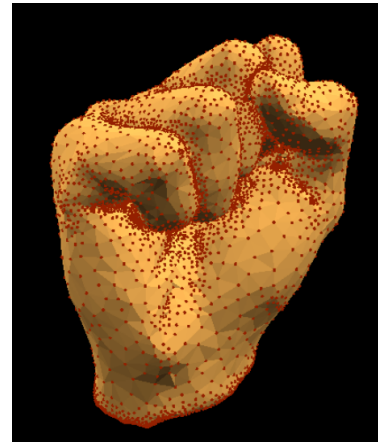
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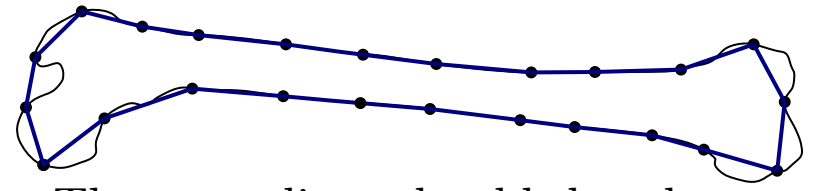
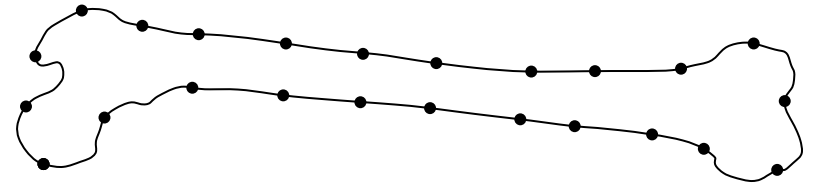
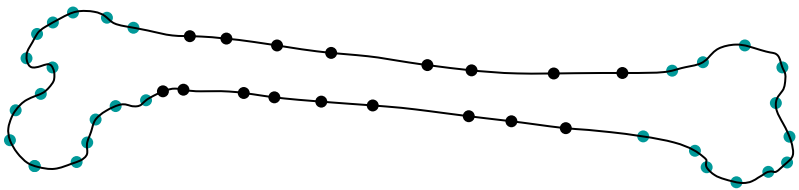
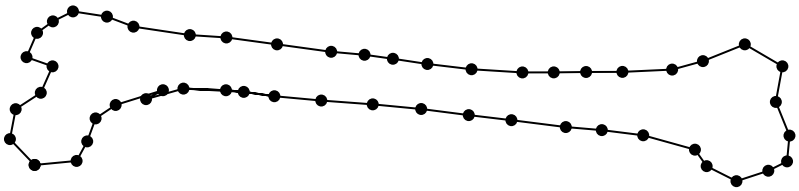
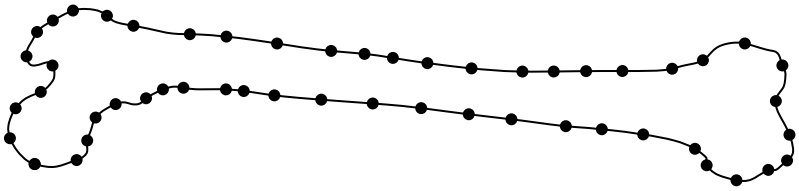
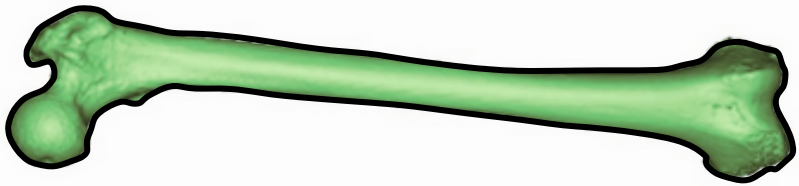
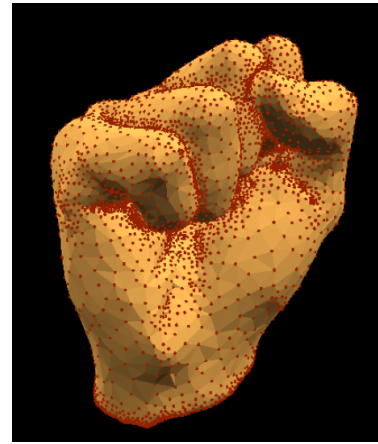
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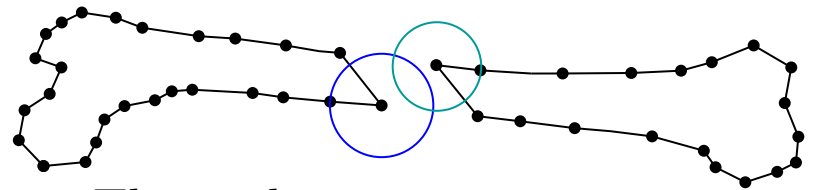
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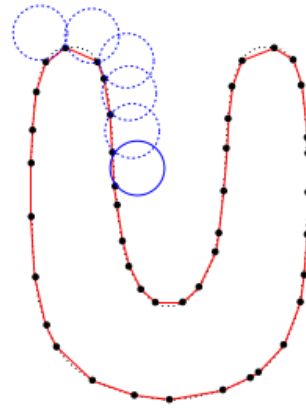
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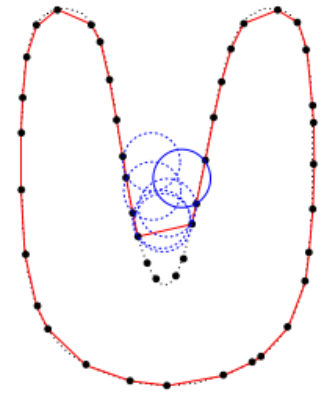
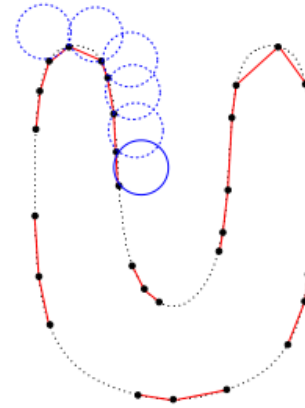
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Ball Pivoting (Bernardini et al.)

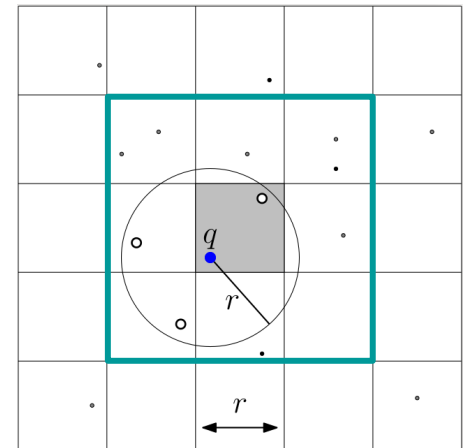


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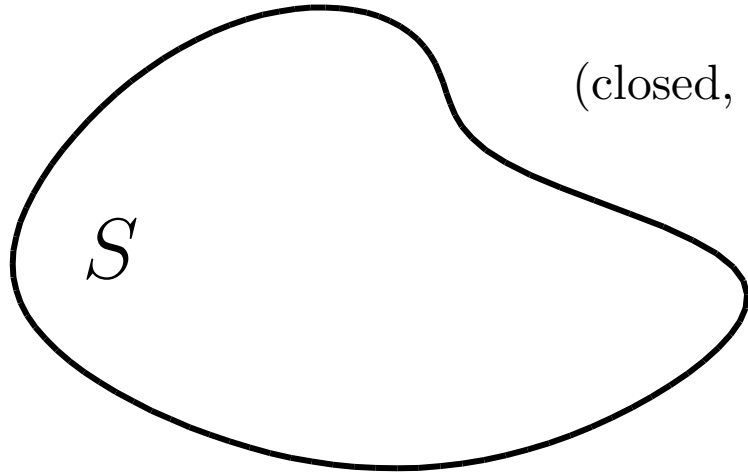
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General assumptions

we assume S is a *smooth curve*

(closed, compact, twice differentiable 1-manifold without boundary)

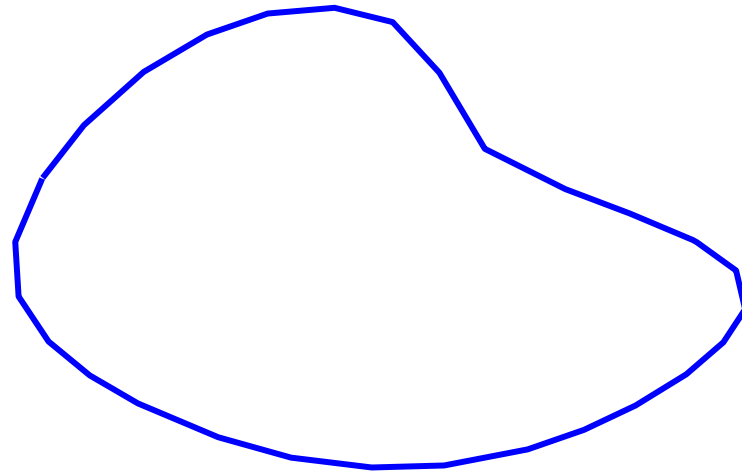
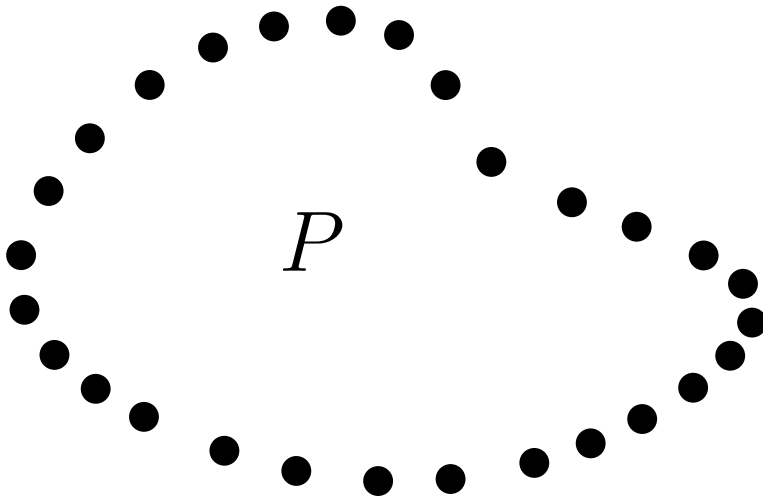


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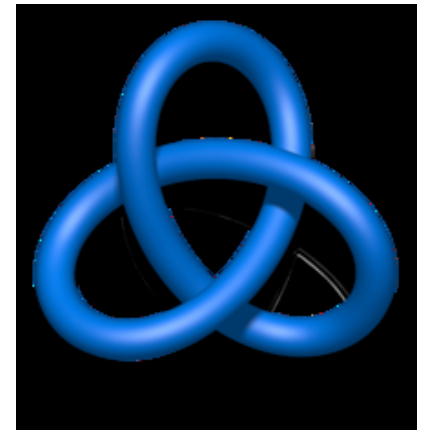
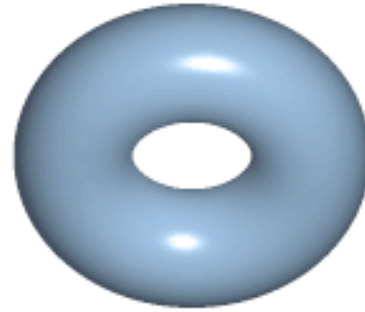
S cannot have: endpoints, branches, self-intersections

Goal: compute a *polygonal reconstruction* of S from P

(a graph connecting consecutive points of P on S)



Quality of the reconstruction: topological equivalences

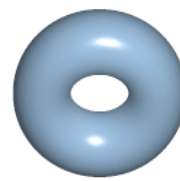
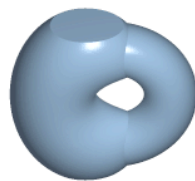


These three surfaces are *homeomorphic* (they all have genus 1)

There exists a continuous bijection between surfaces, whose inverse is also continuous

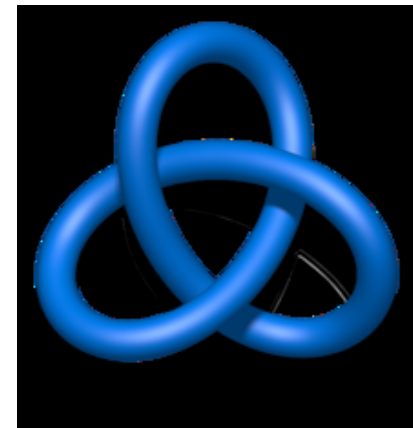
homeomorphisms are weak equivalences (they do not take into account the ambient space)

isotopic surfaces (unknotted torus)



There exists a family of deformations which continuously transform the surfaces

knotted torus



Simplicial complexes

abstract simplicial complex K (set of simplices)

$$V = \{v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$$

$$E = \{\{i, j\}, \{k, l\}, \dots\}$$

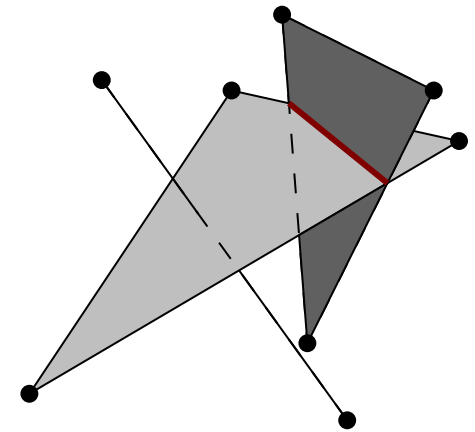
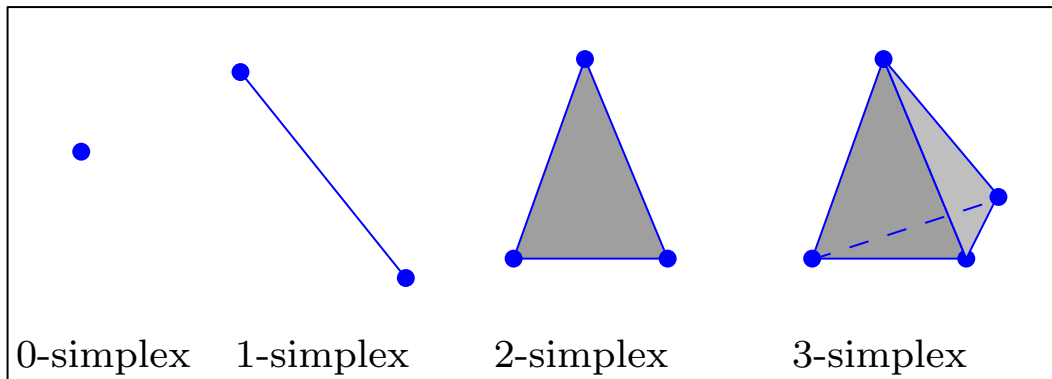
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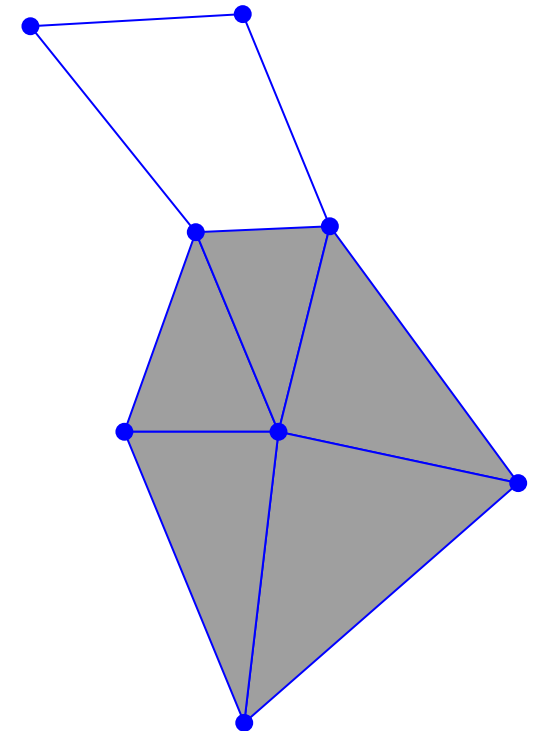
$$\rho \in K \text{ and } \sigma \subset \rho \longrightarrow \sigma \in K$$

intersection property:

given two simplices σ_1, σ_2 of K , the intersection $\sigma_1 \cap \sigma_2$ is a face of both

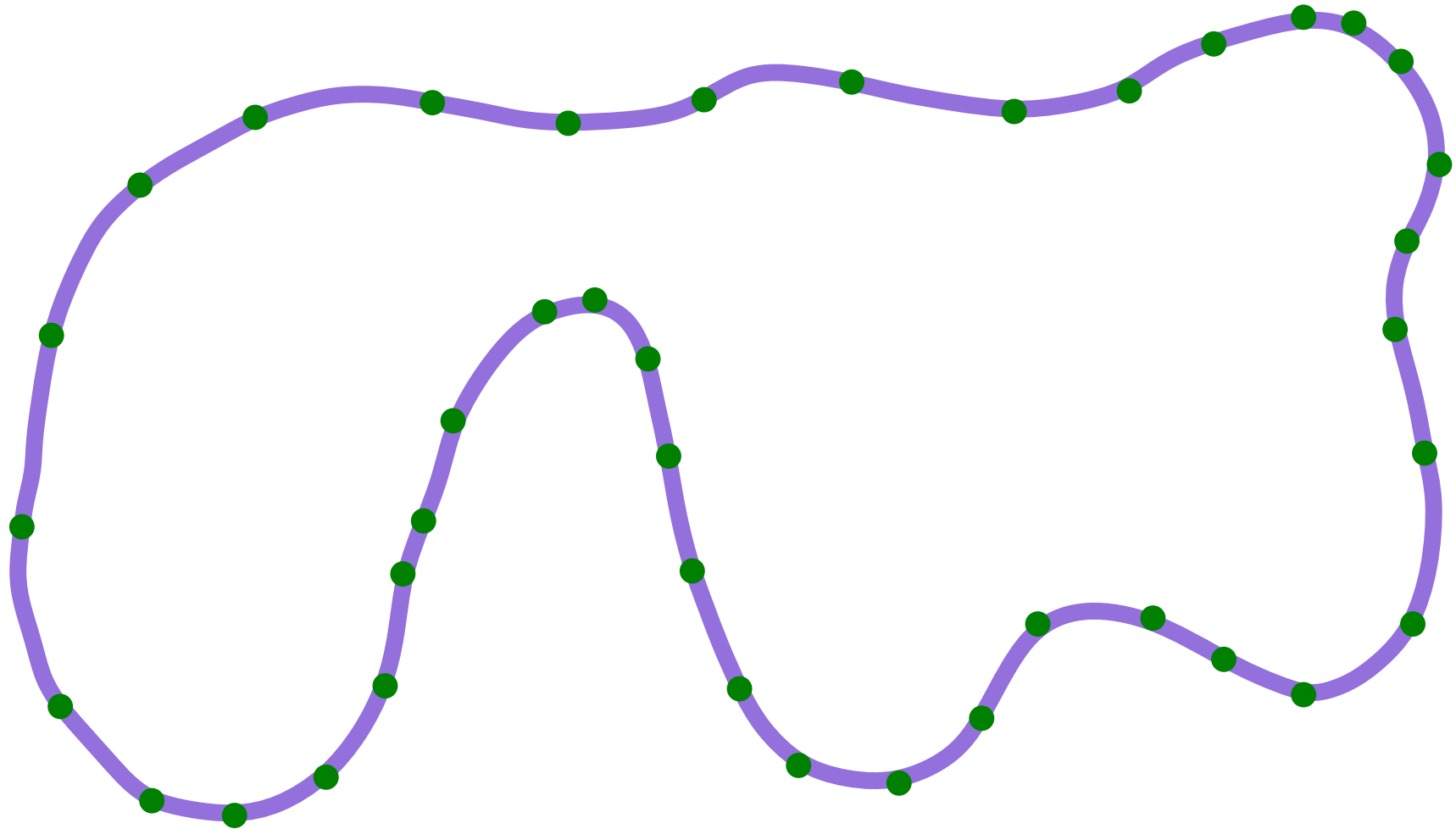


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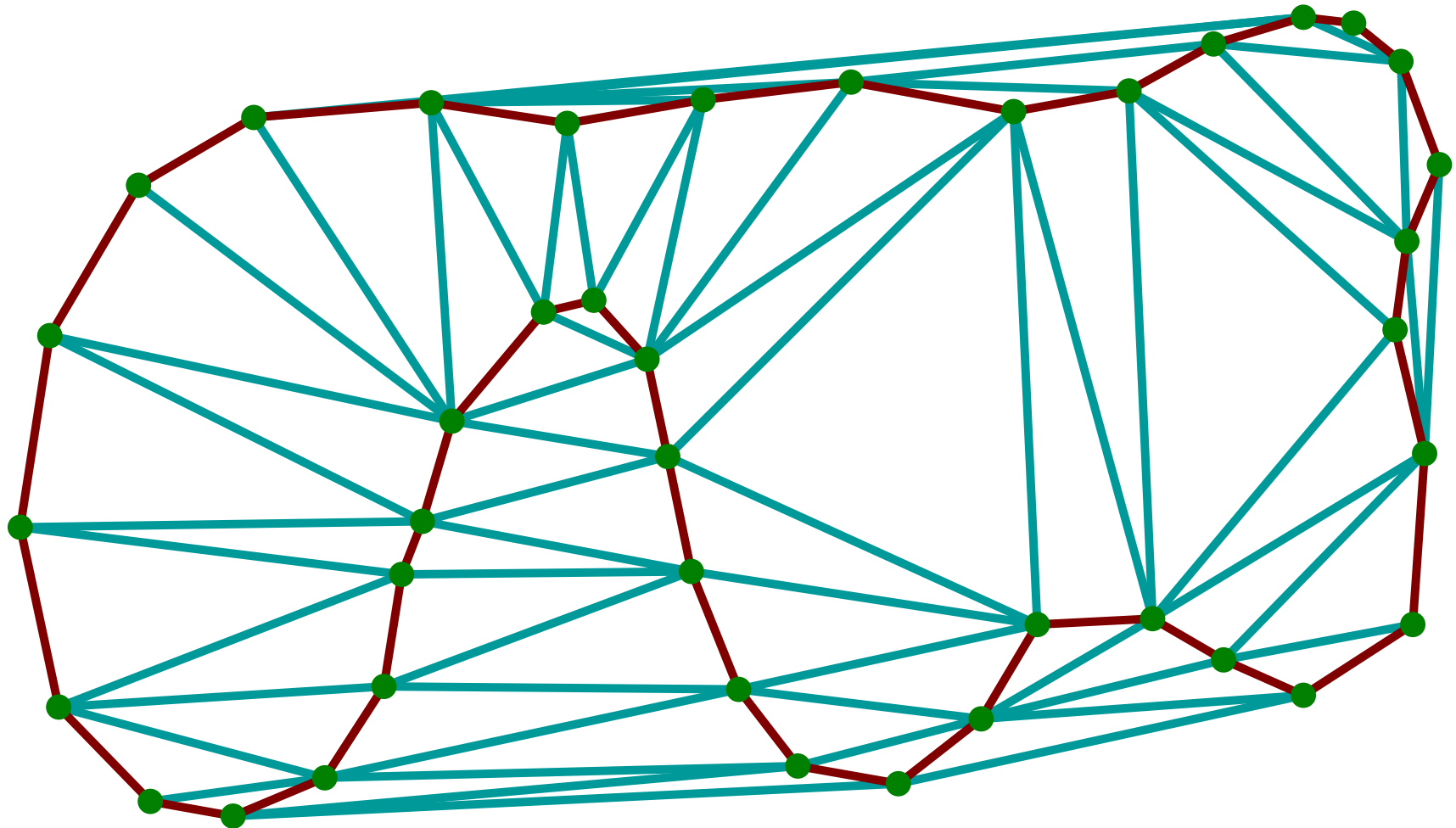


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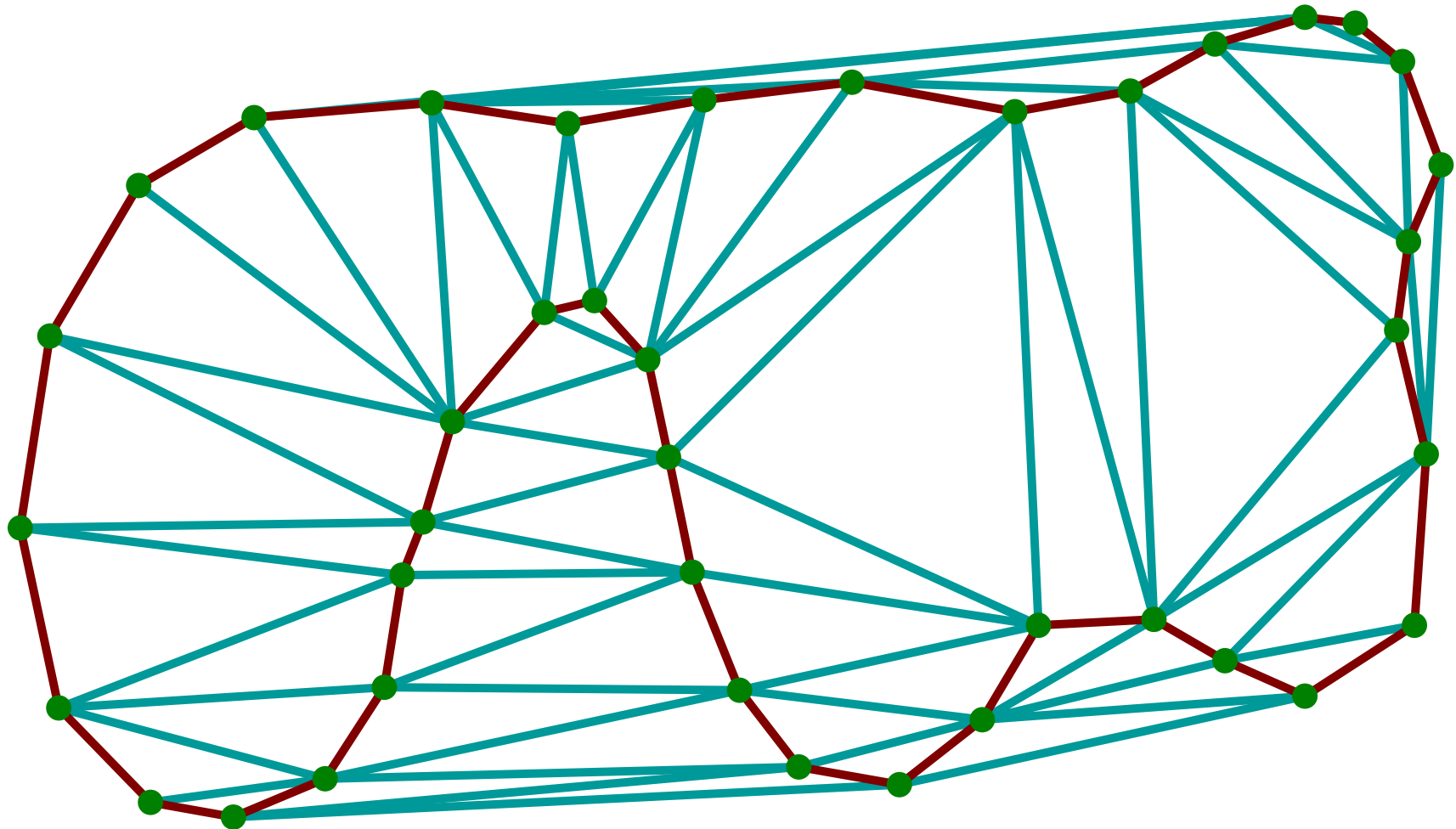


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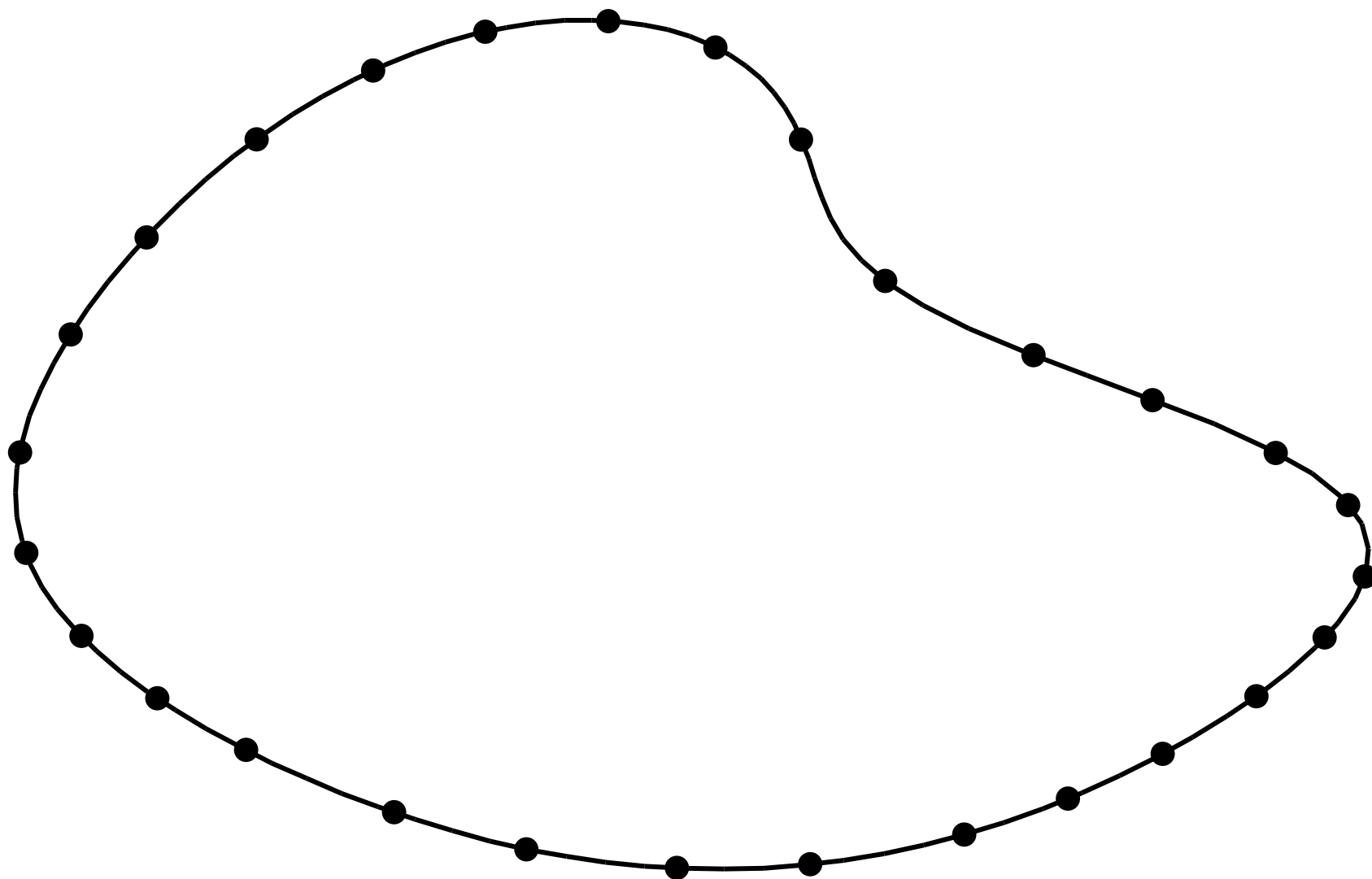


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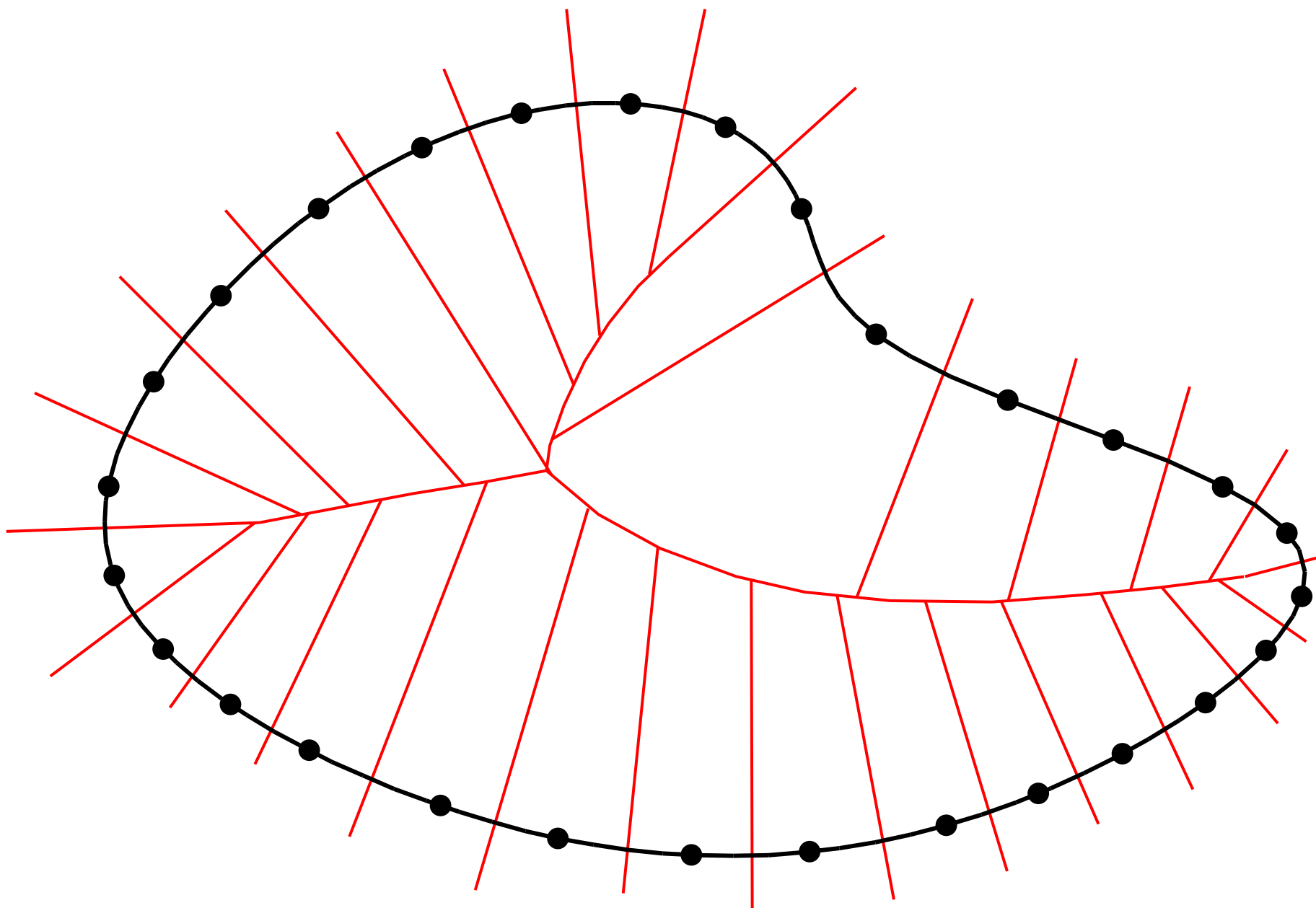
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Q What is this *good* subcomplex? Can it be defined in some canonical way?

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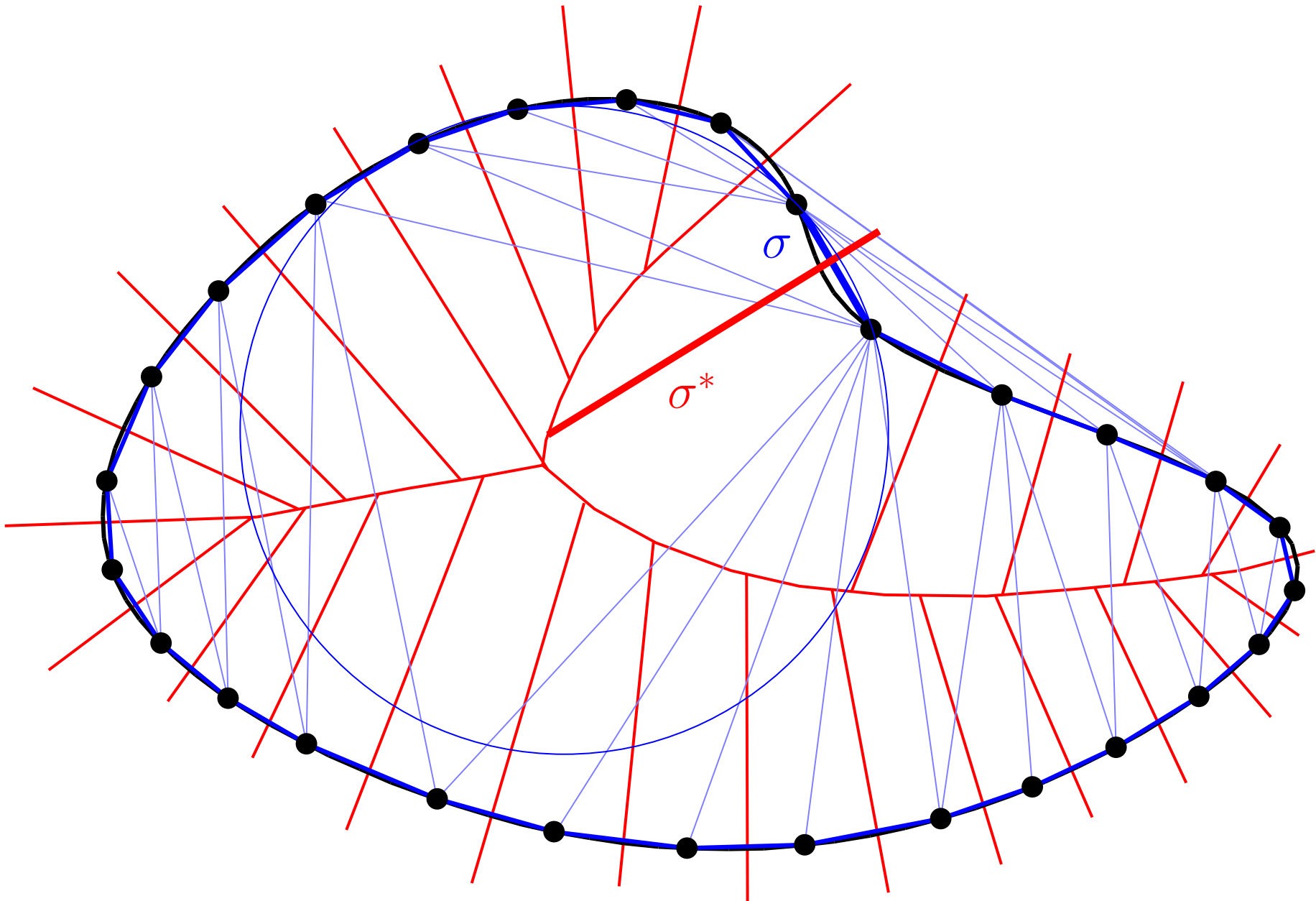


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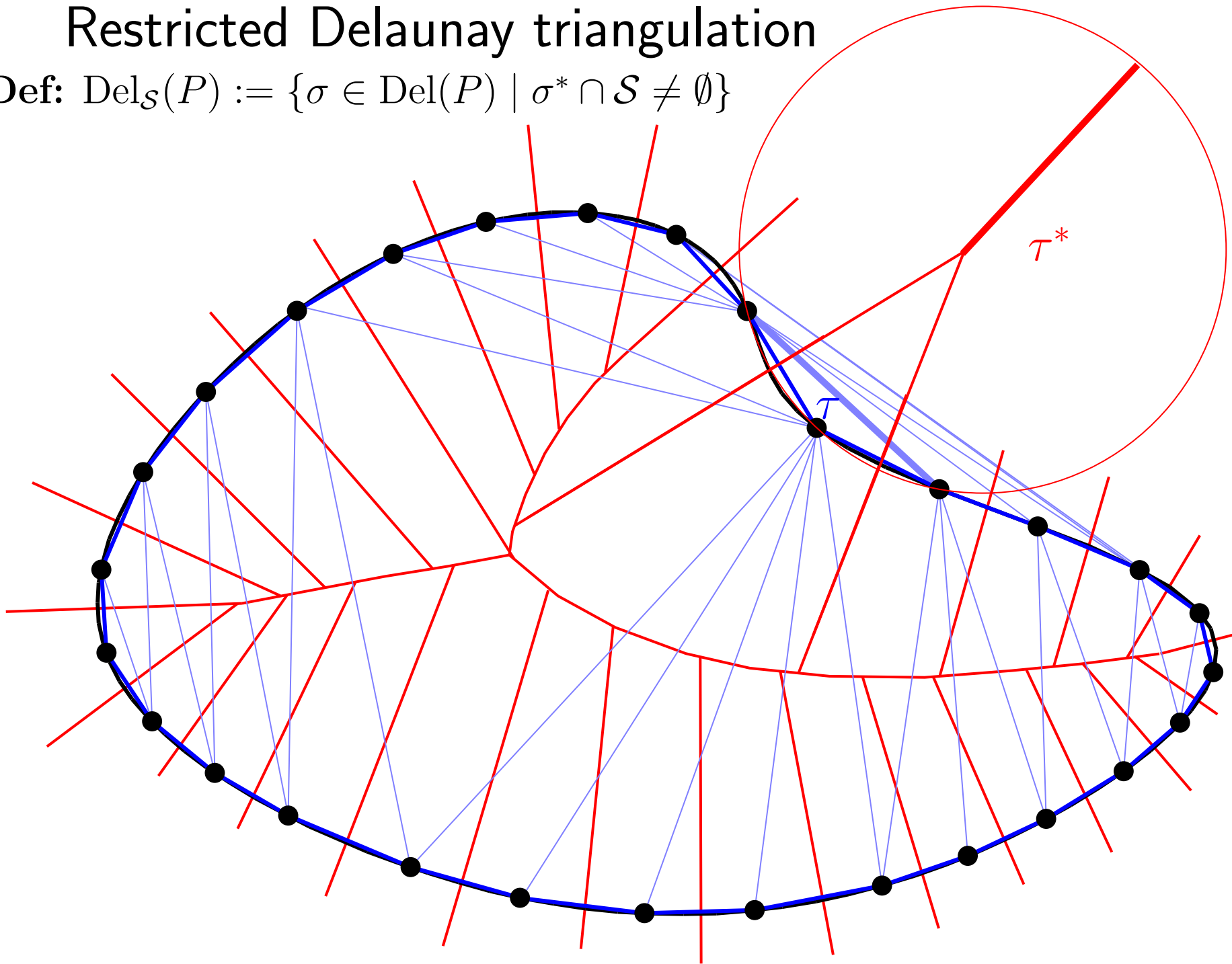
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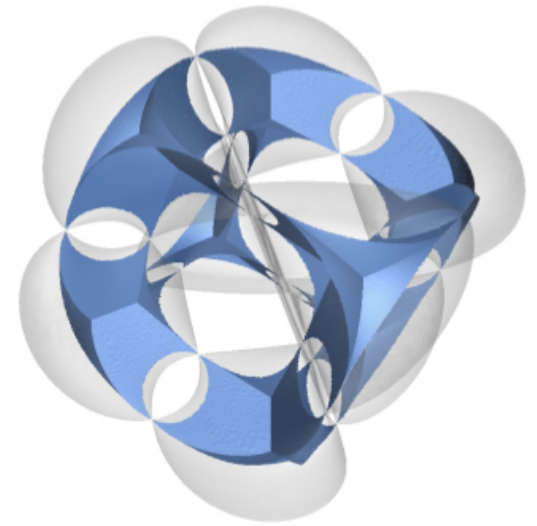
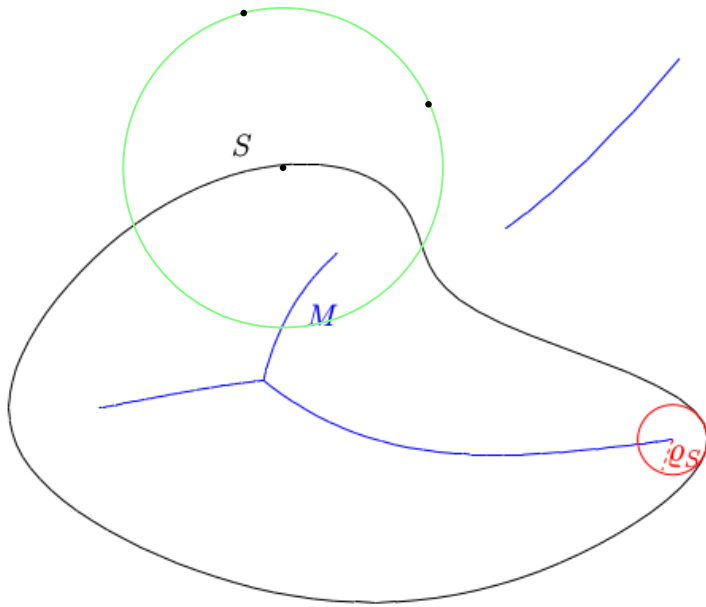
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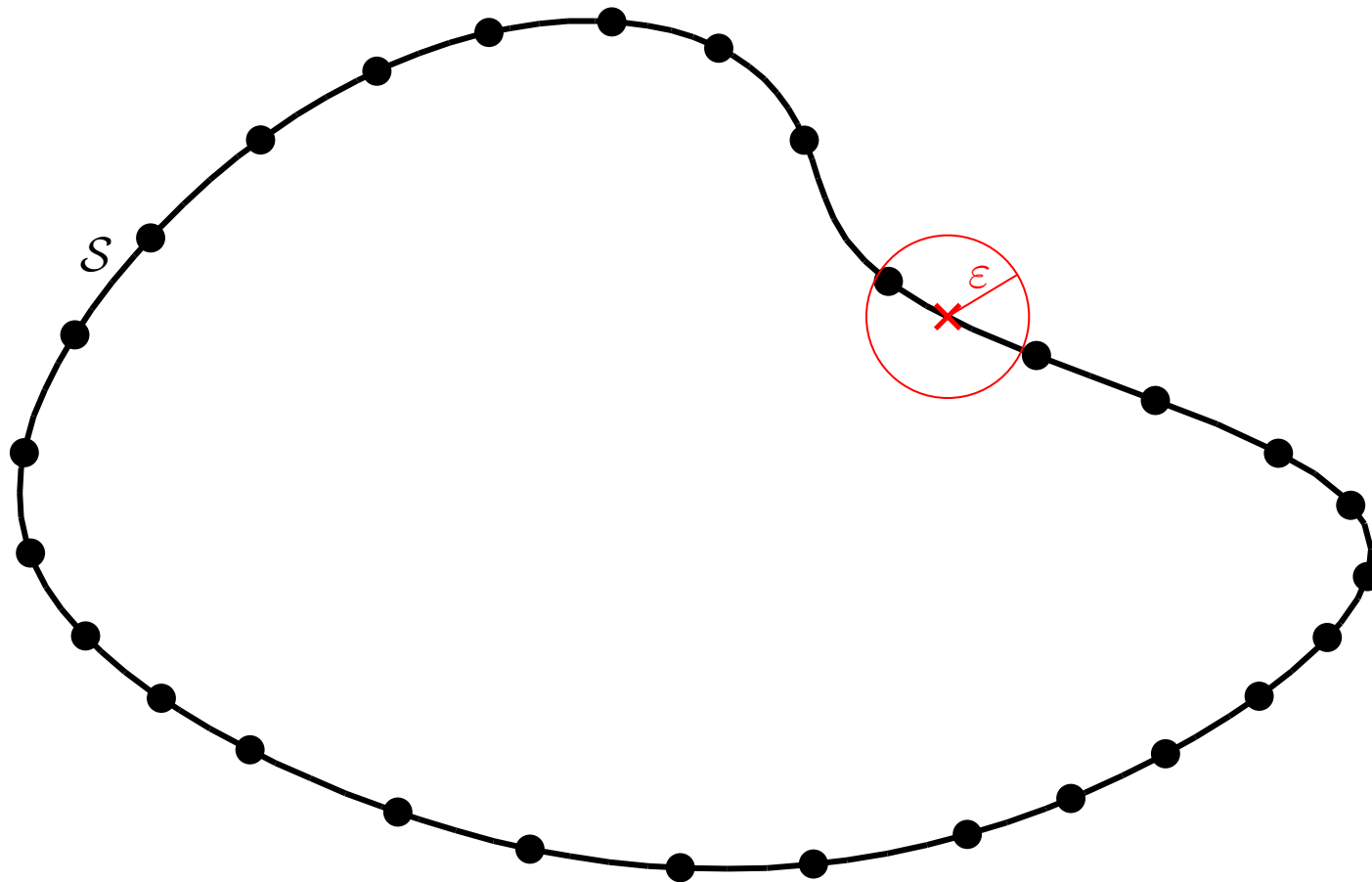
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Def (equivalent): locus of centers of maximal inscribed circles (spheres)



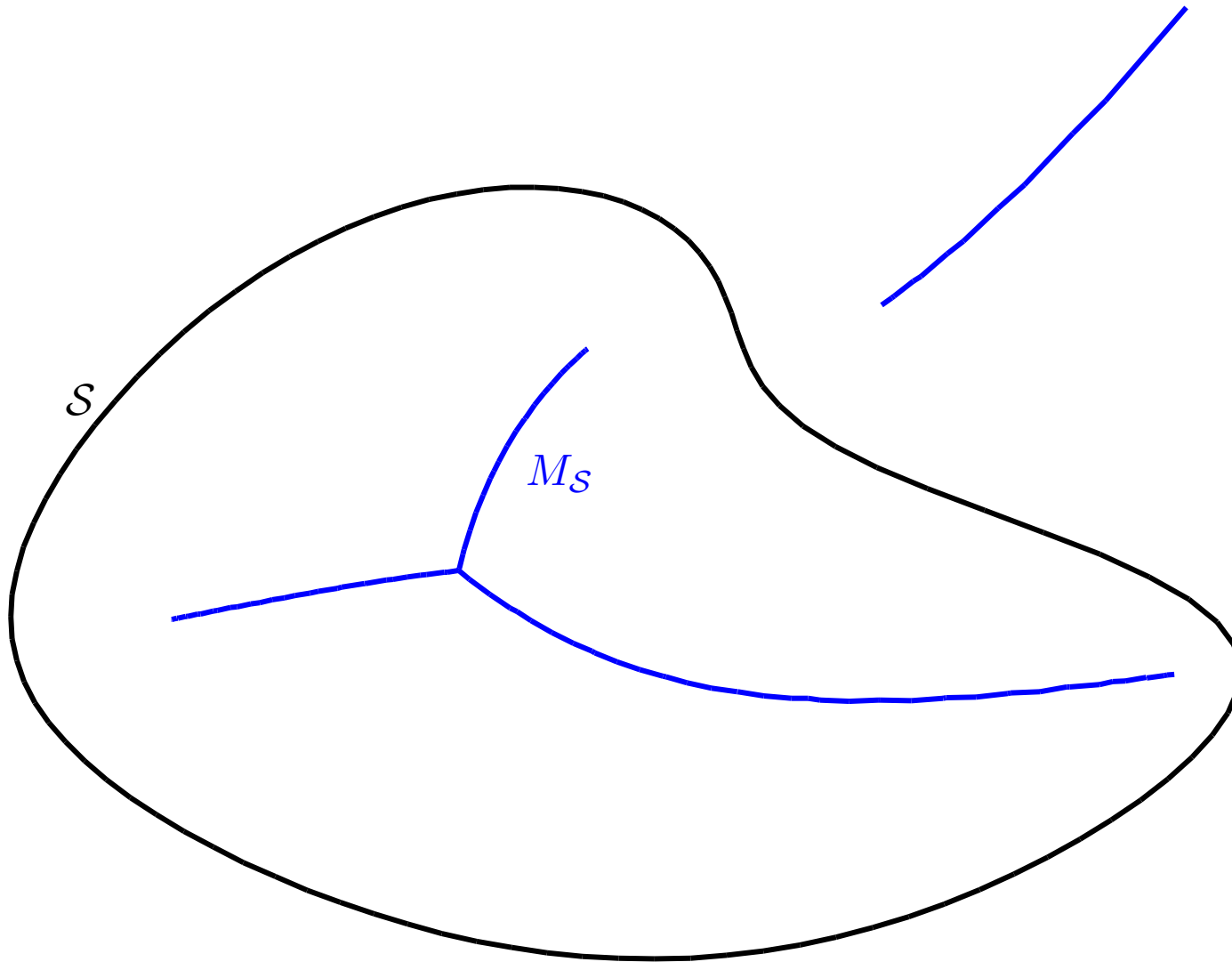
ε -samples

Def: P is an ε -sample of $\mathcal{S}$ if $\forall x \in \mathcal{S}, \min\{\|x - p\| \mid p \in P\} \leq \varepsilon$.



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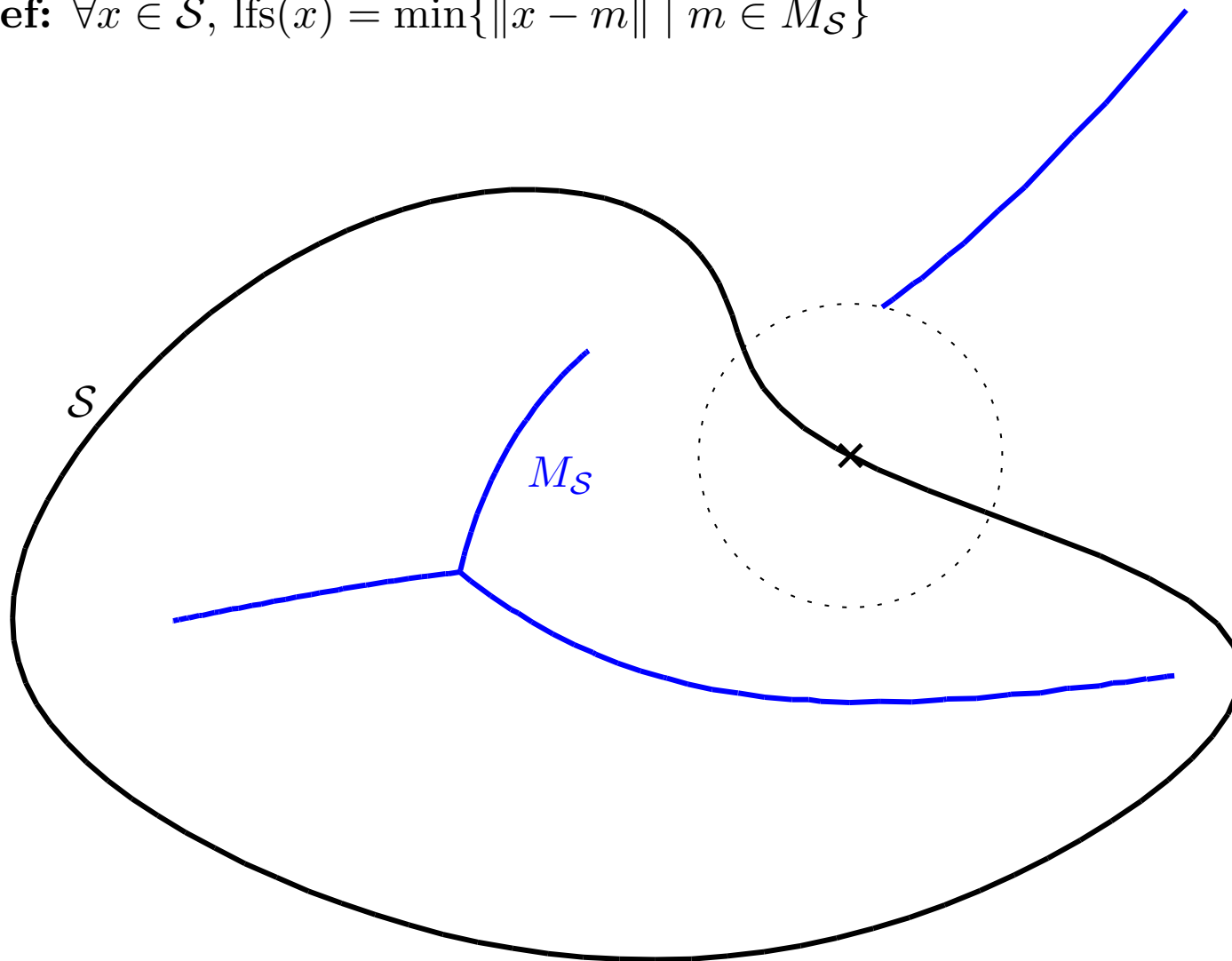
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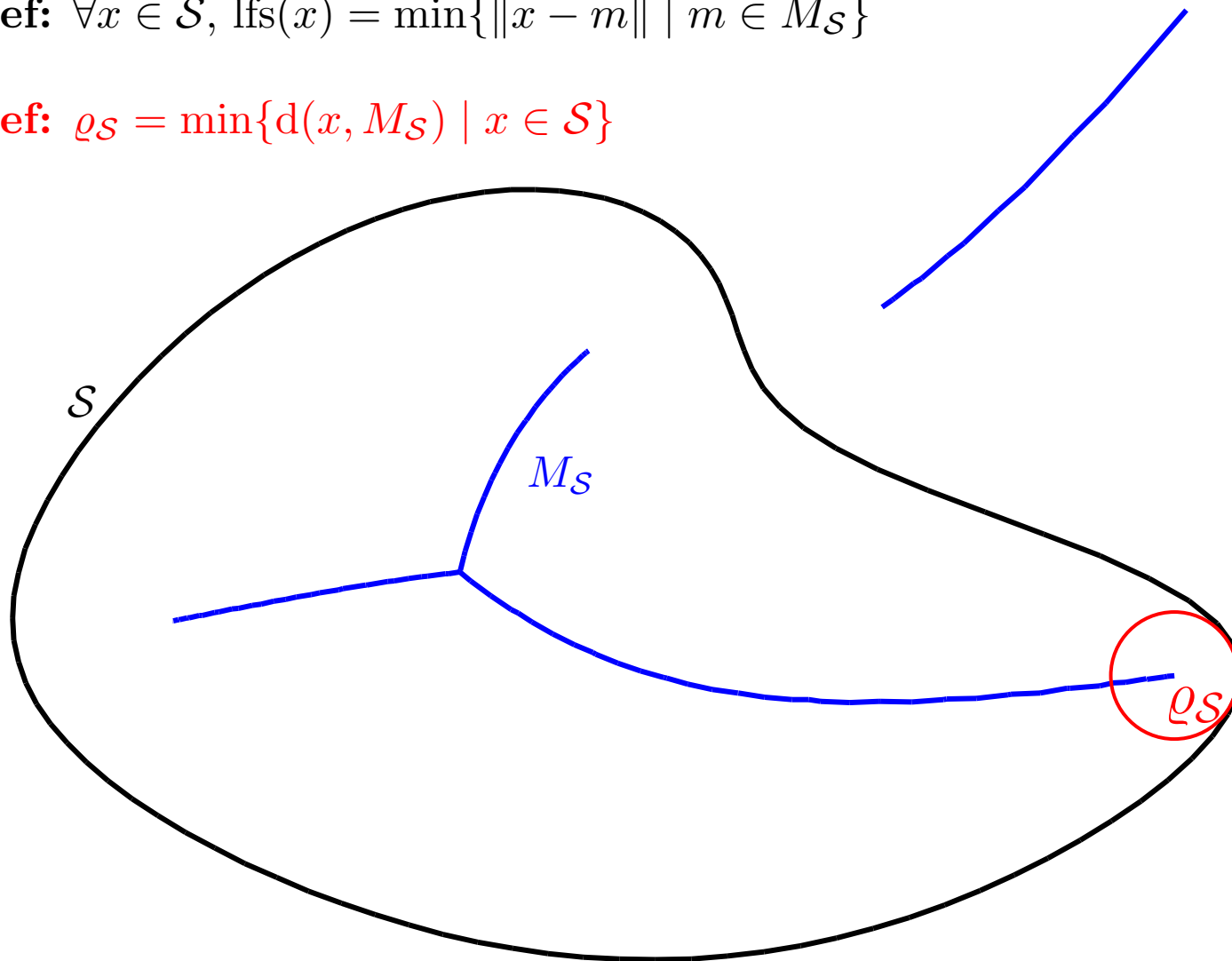


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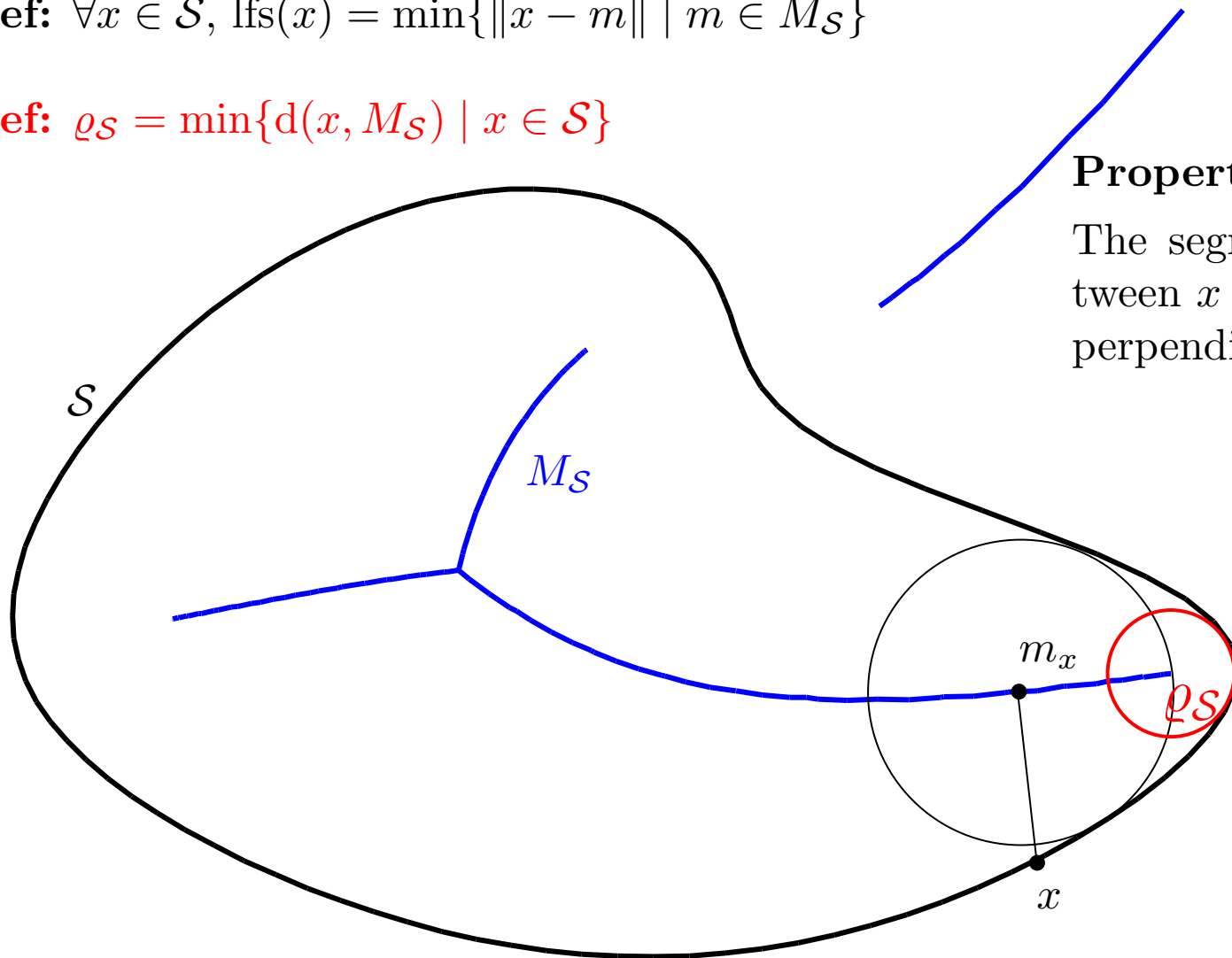
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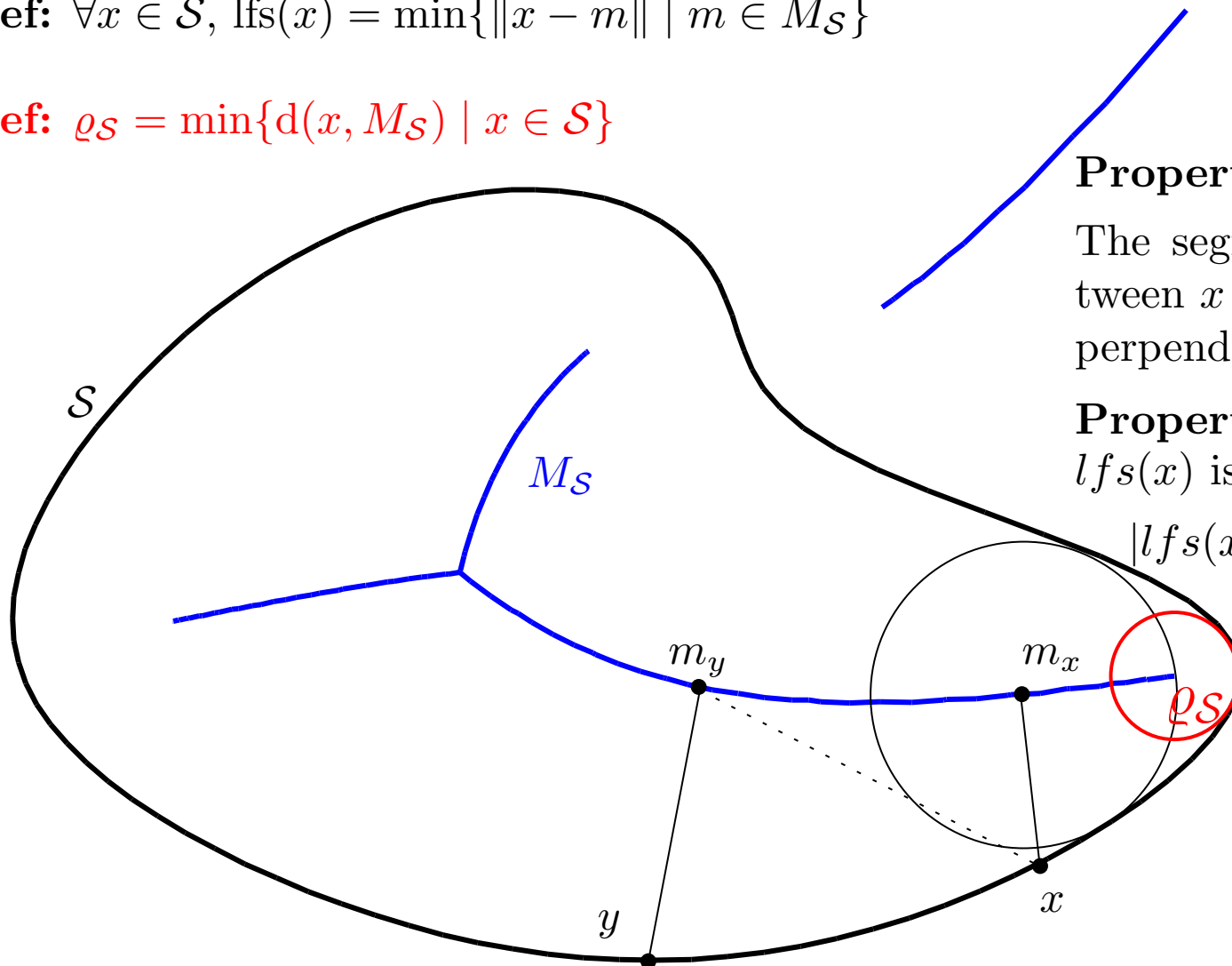
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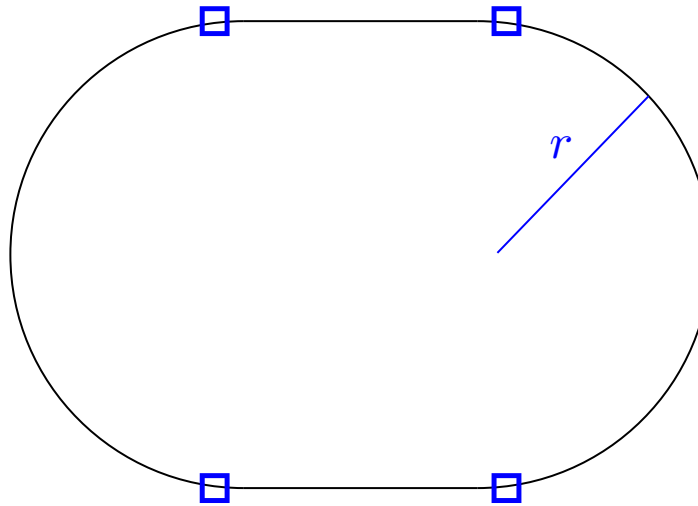
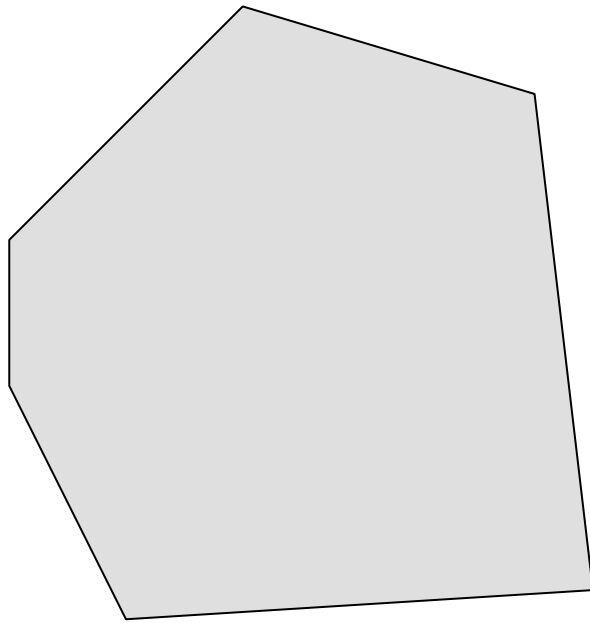
$\text{lfs}(x)$ is Lipschitz continuous

$$|\text{lfs}(x) - \text{lfs}(y)| \leq d(m_x, m_y)$$

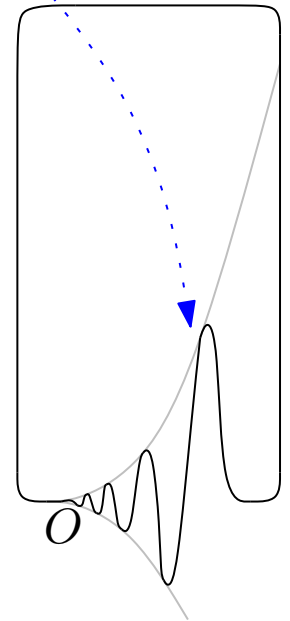


$$\text{lfs}(x) := d(m_x, x) \leq d(x, m_y) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, m_y) = d(x, y) + \text{lfs}(y)$$

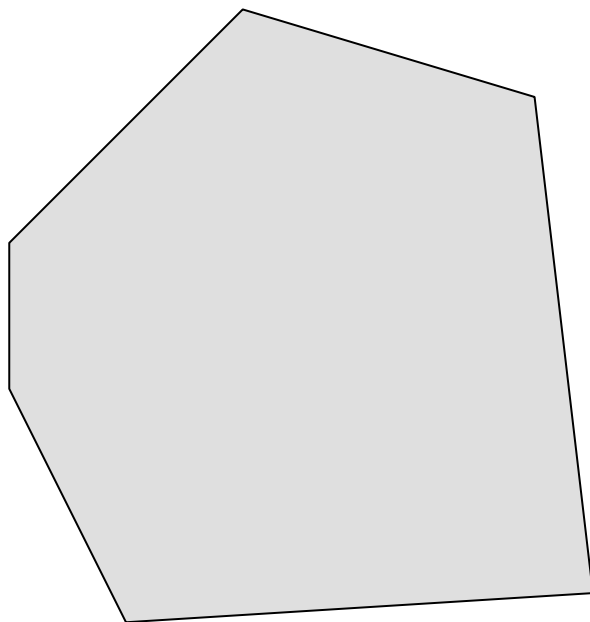
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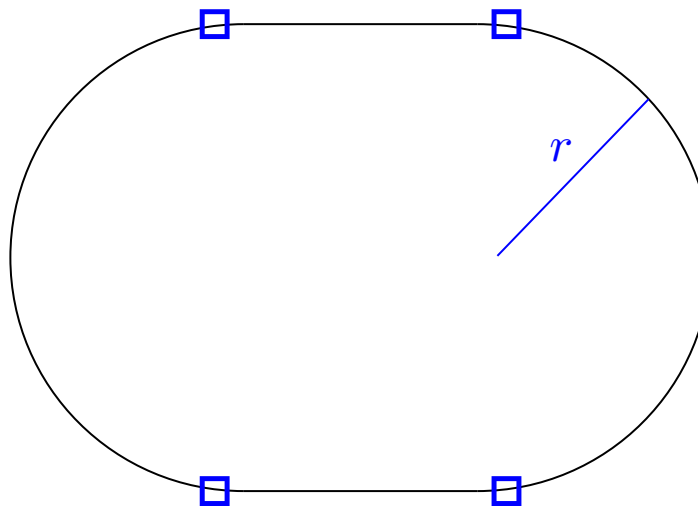
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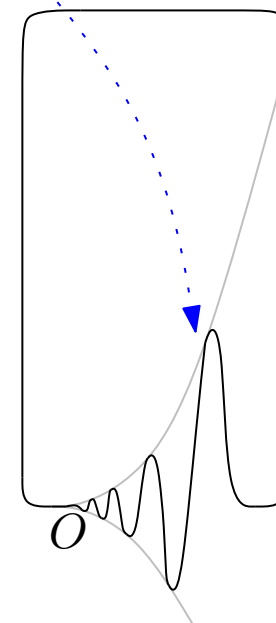


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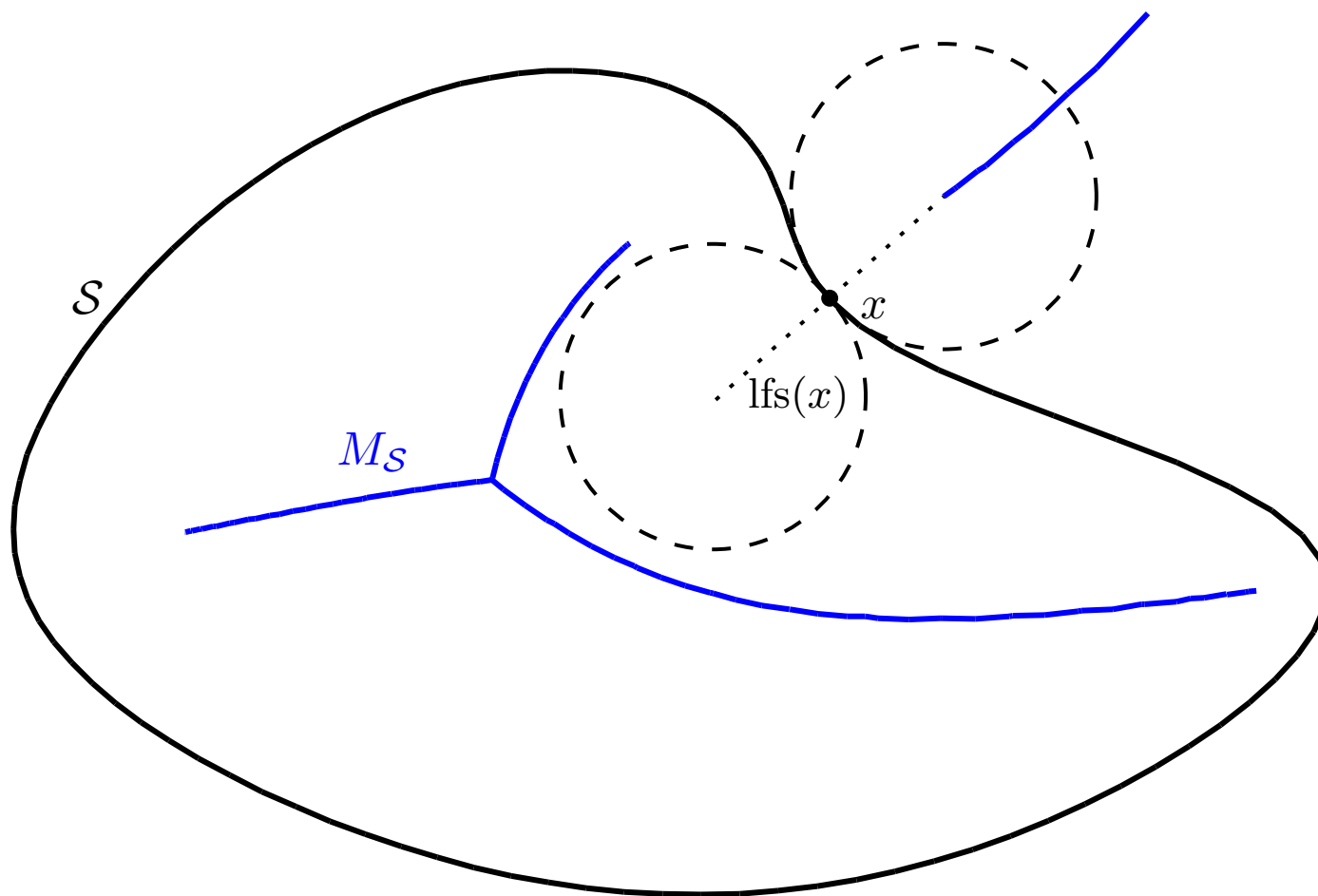


$\varrho_S = 0$
(C^1 but not $C^{1,1}$)

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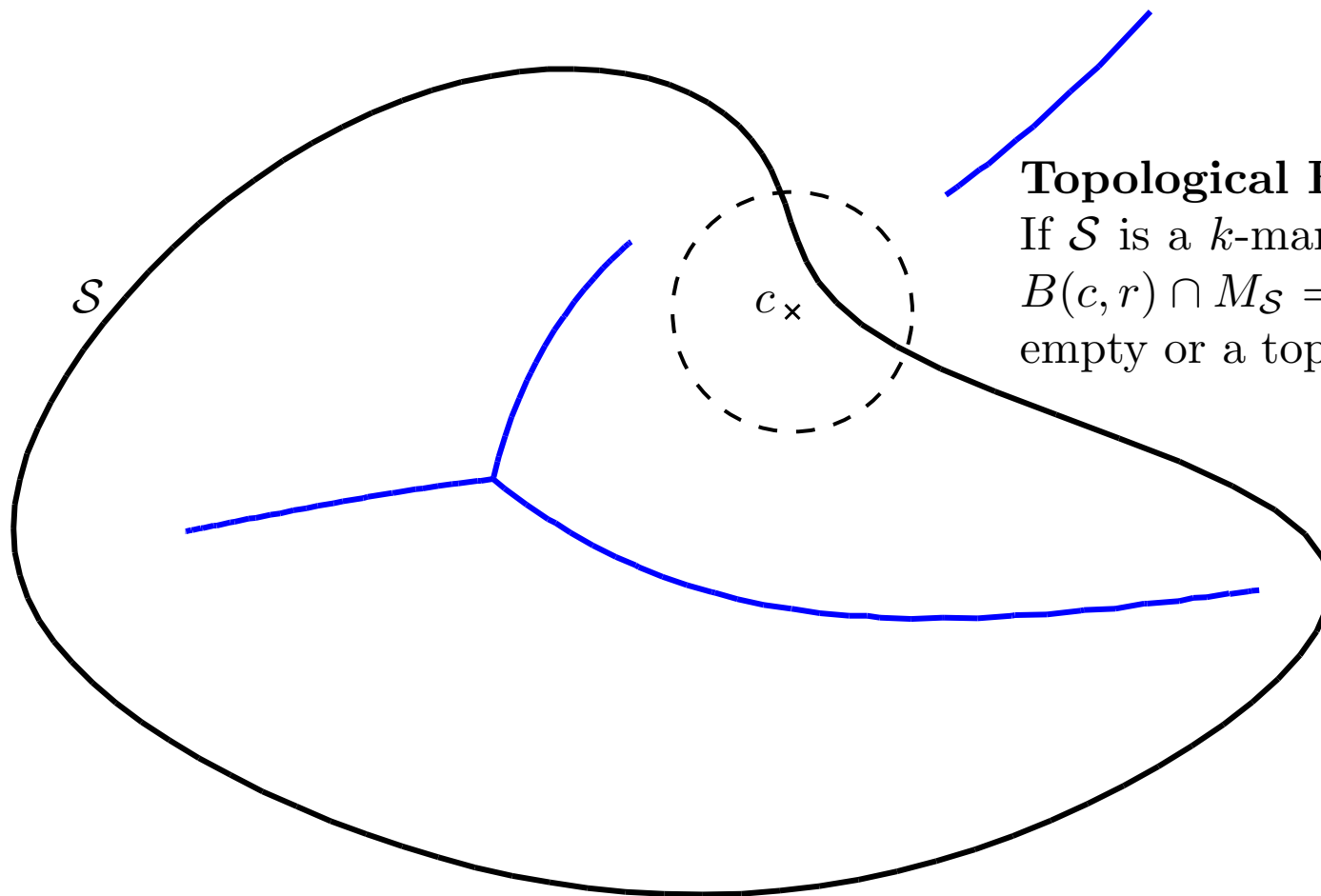
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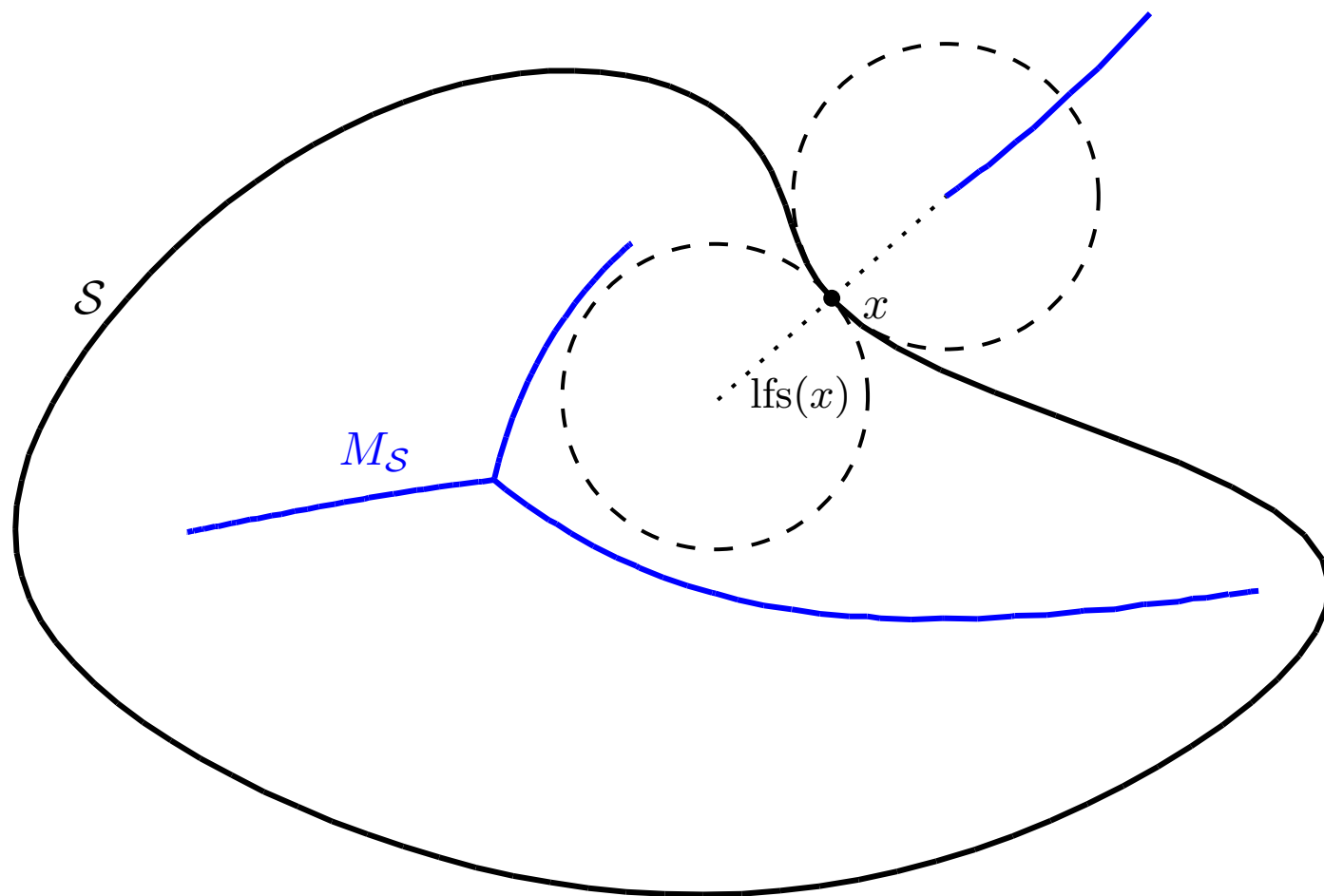


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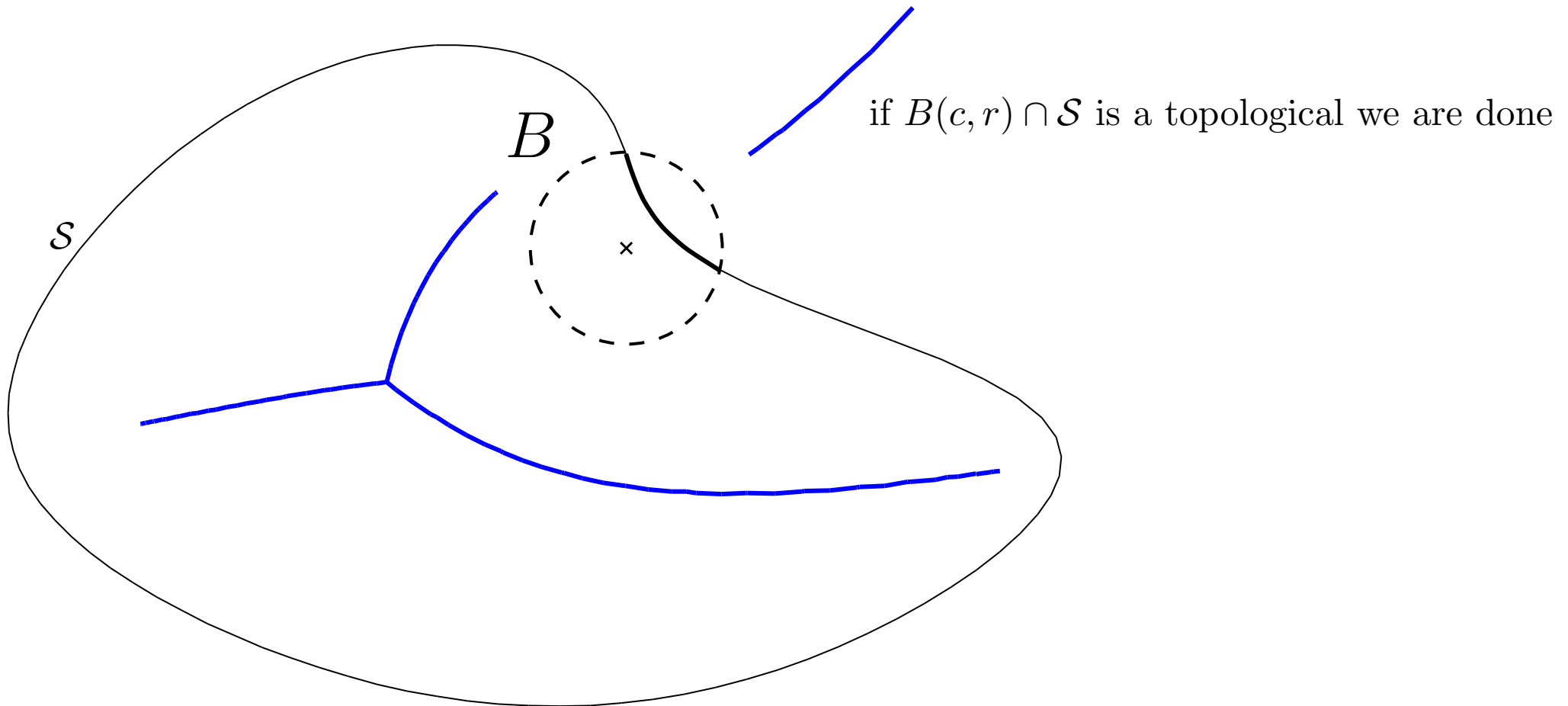
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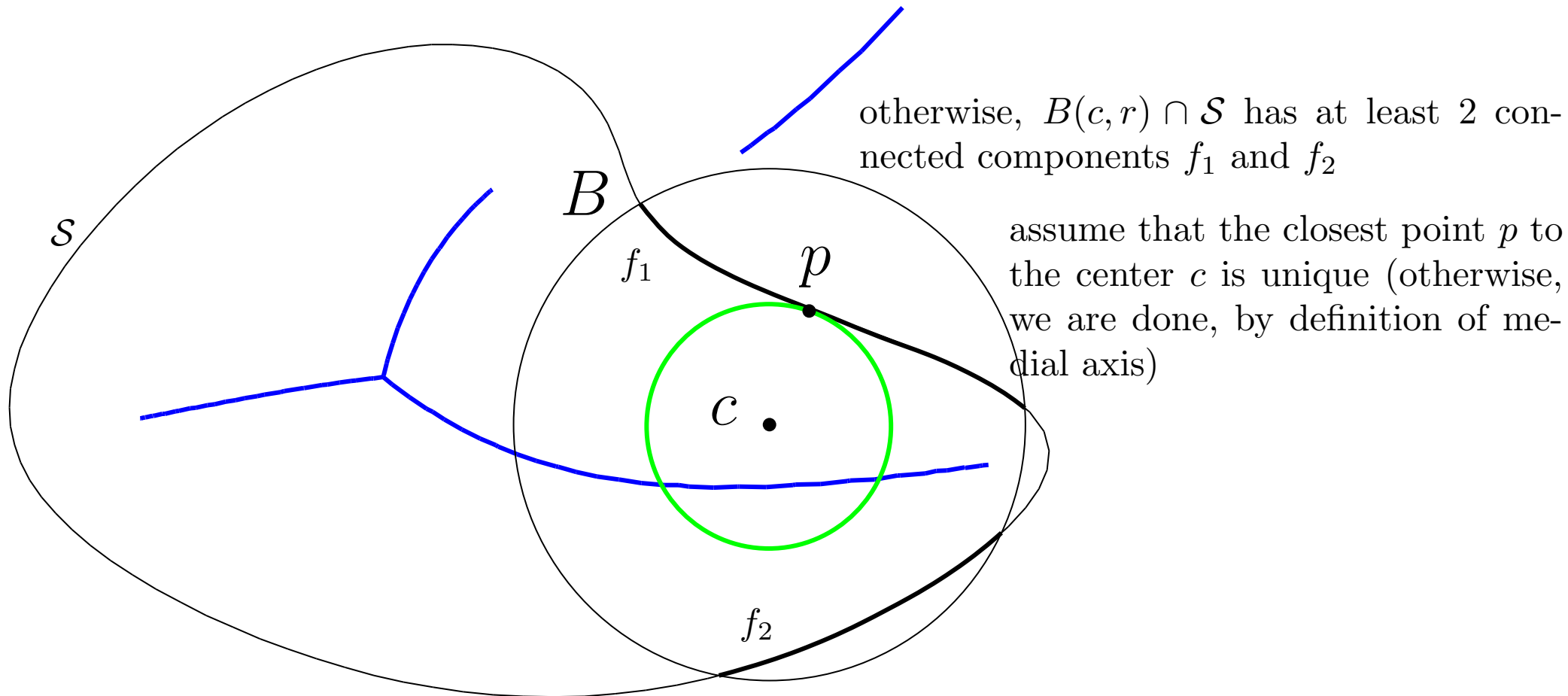
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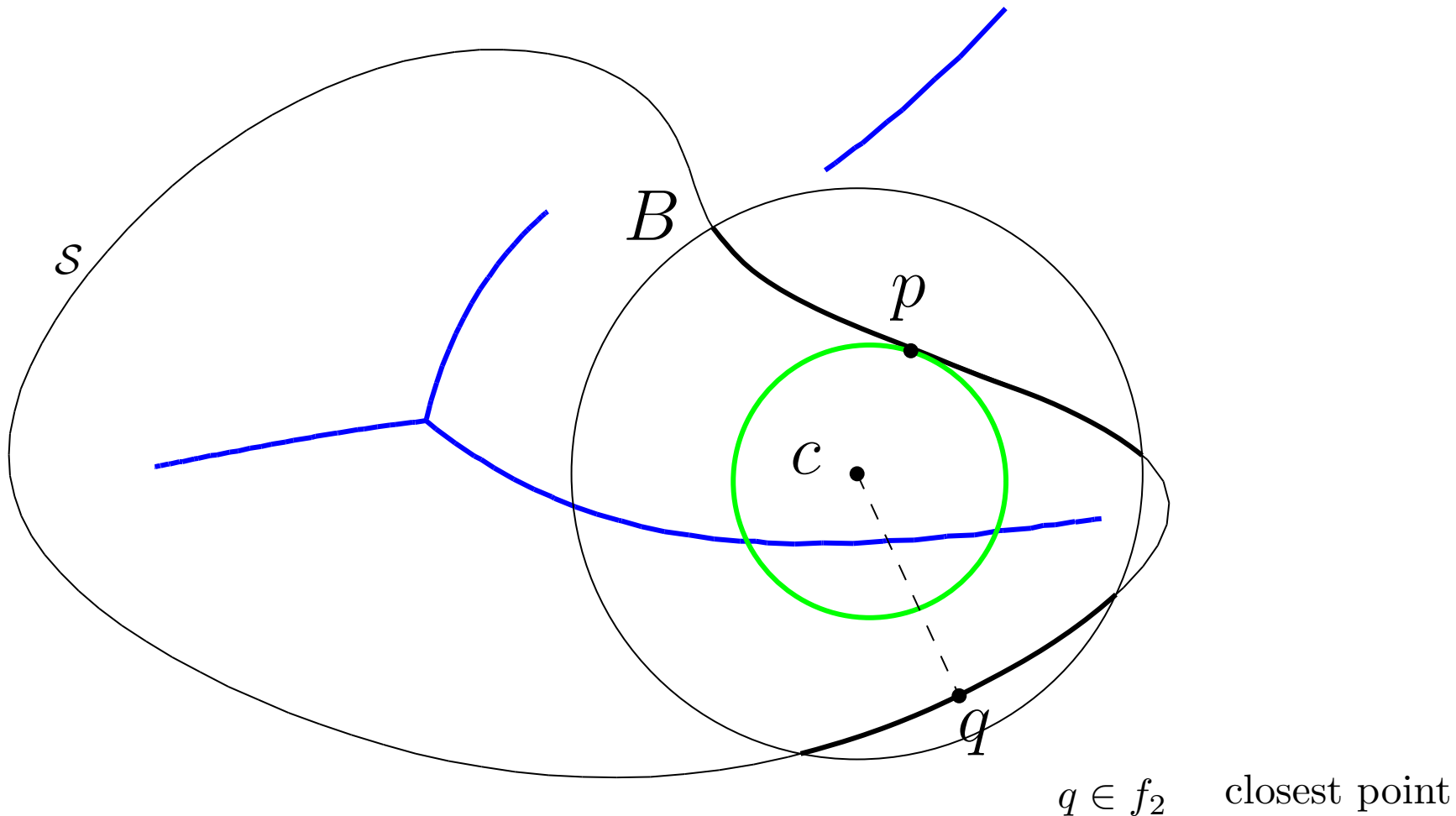
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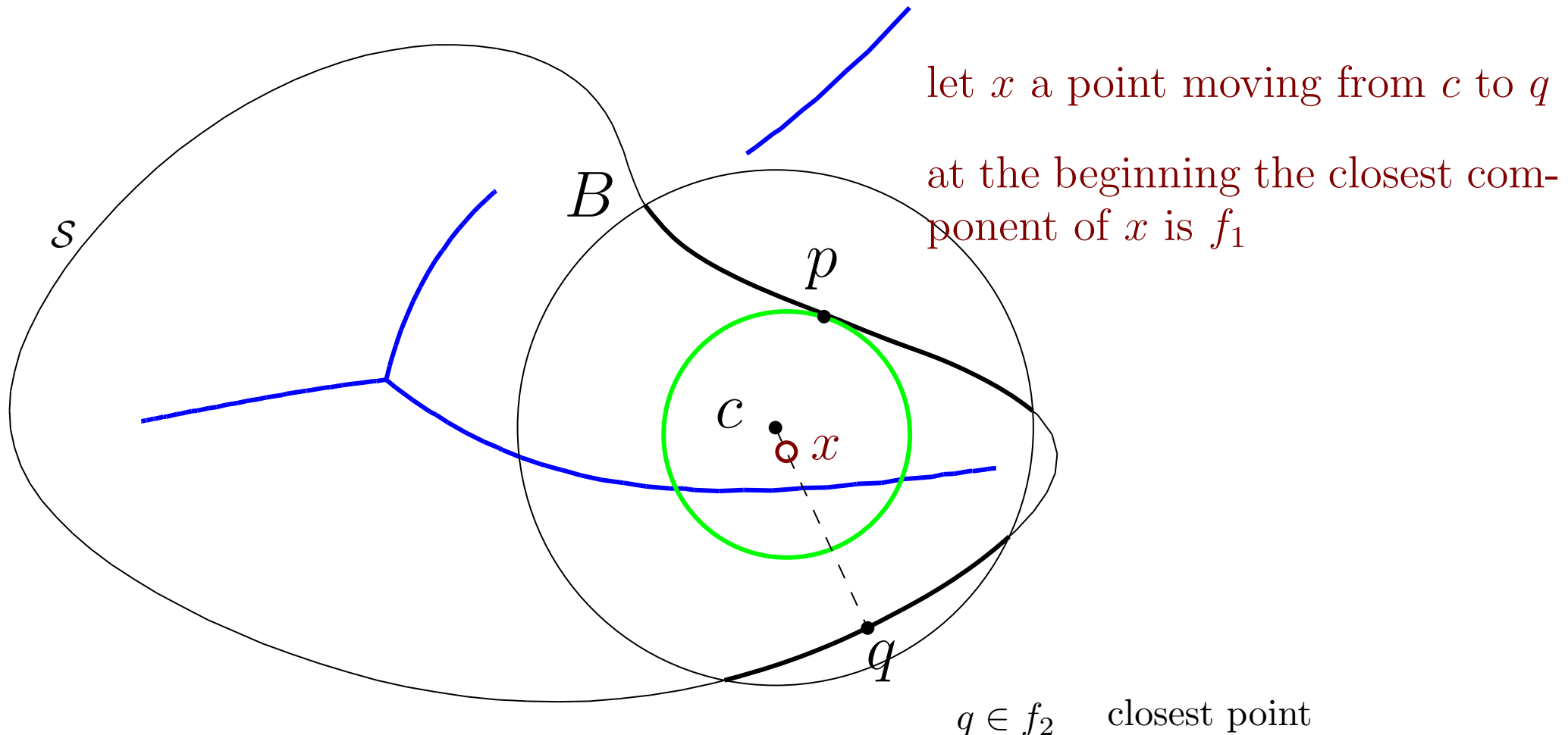
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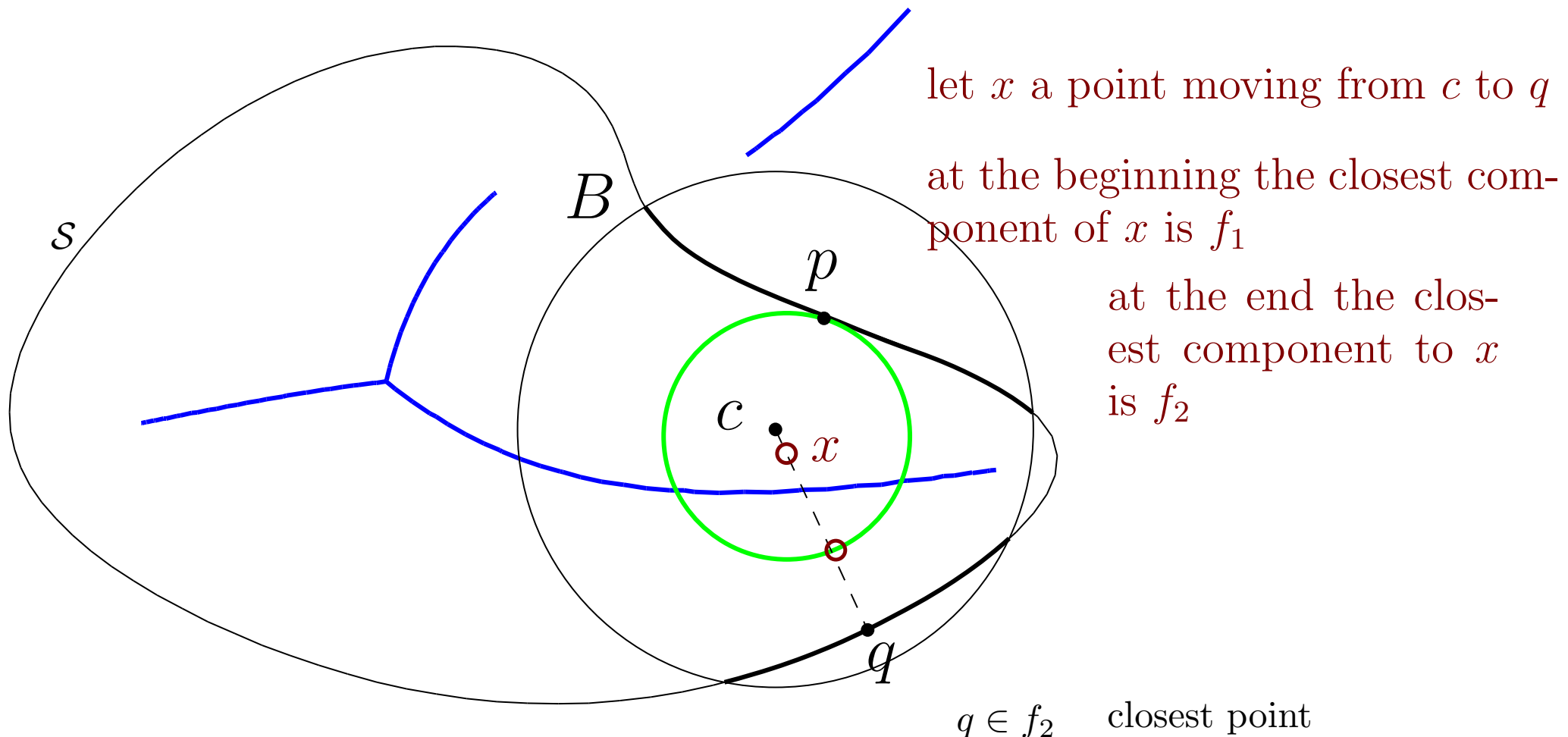
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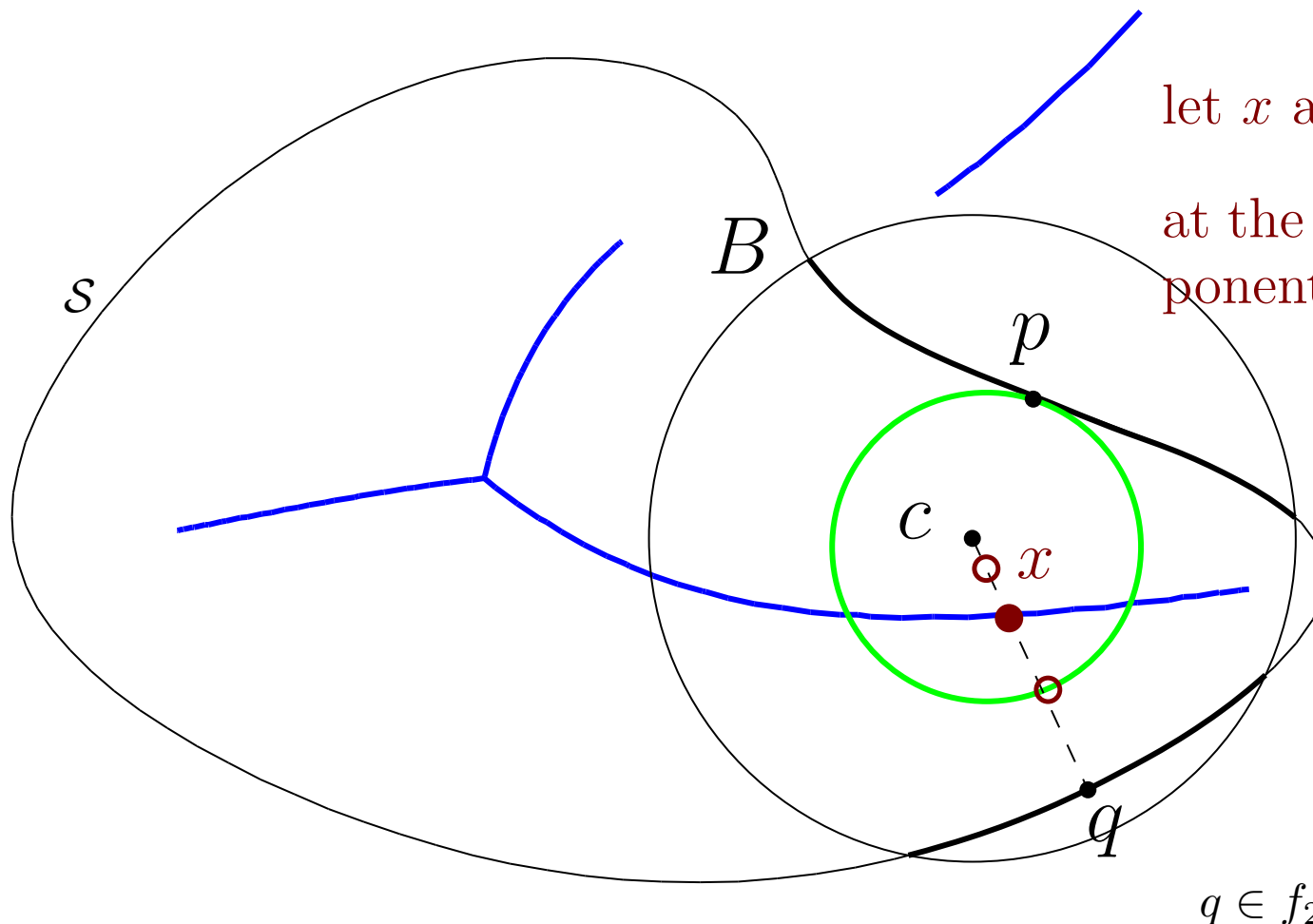
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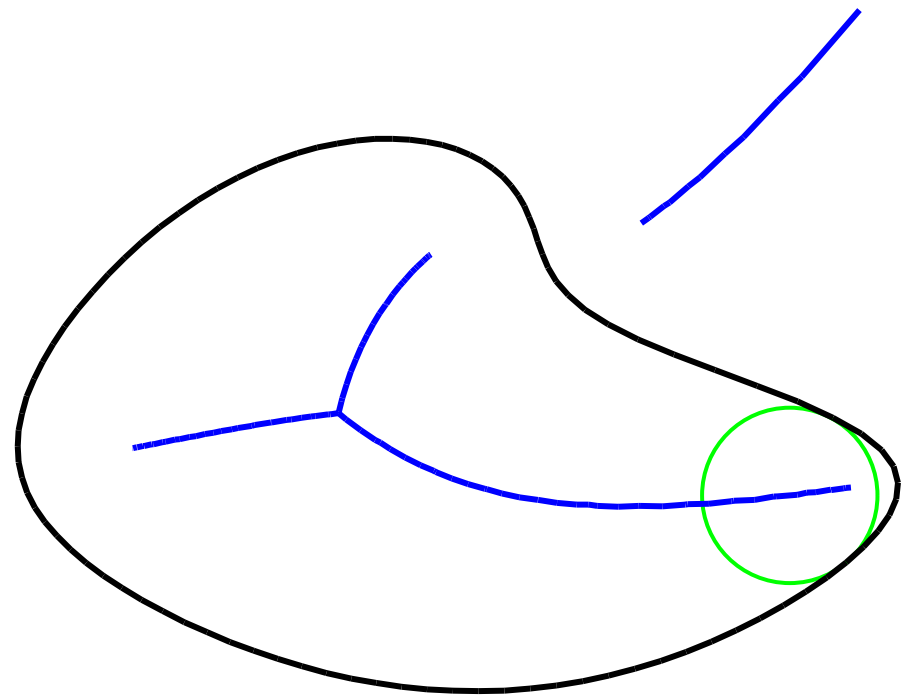
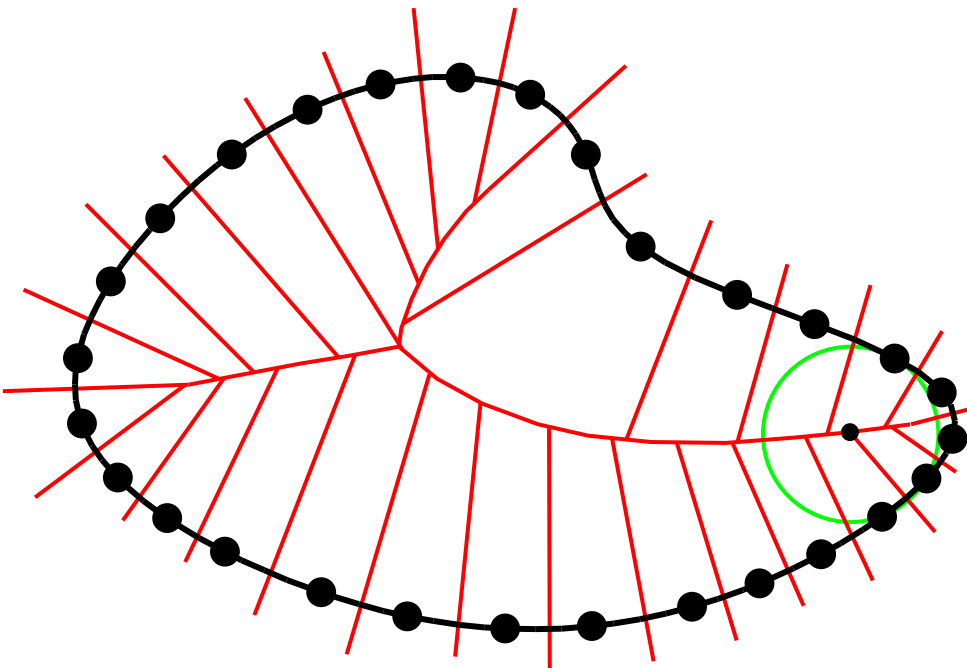
there is a point $x \in M_{\mathcal{S}}$ with two closest neighbors on distinct components

$q \in f_2$ closest point

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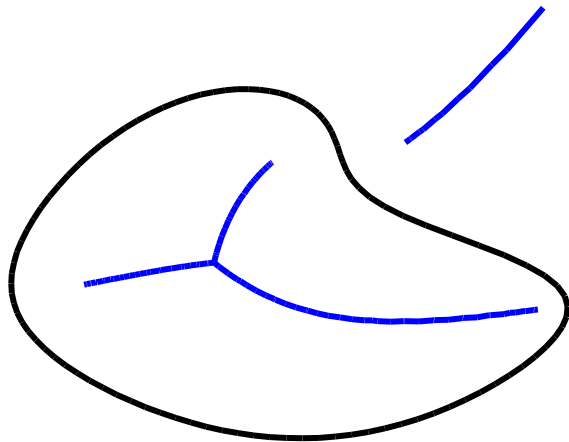
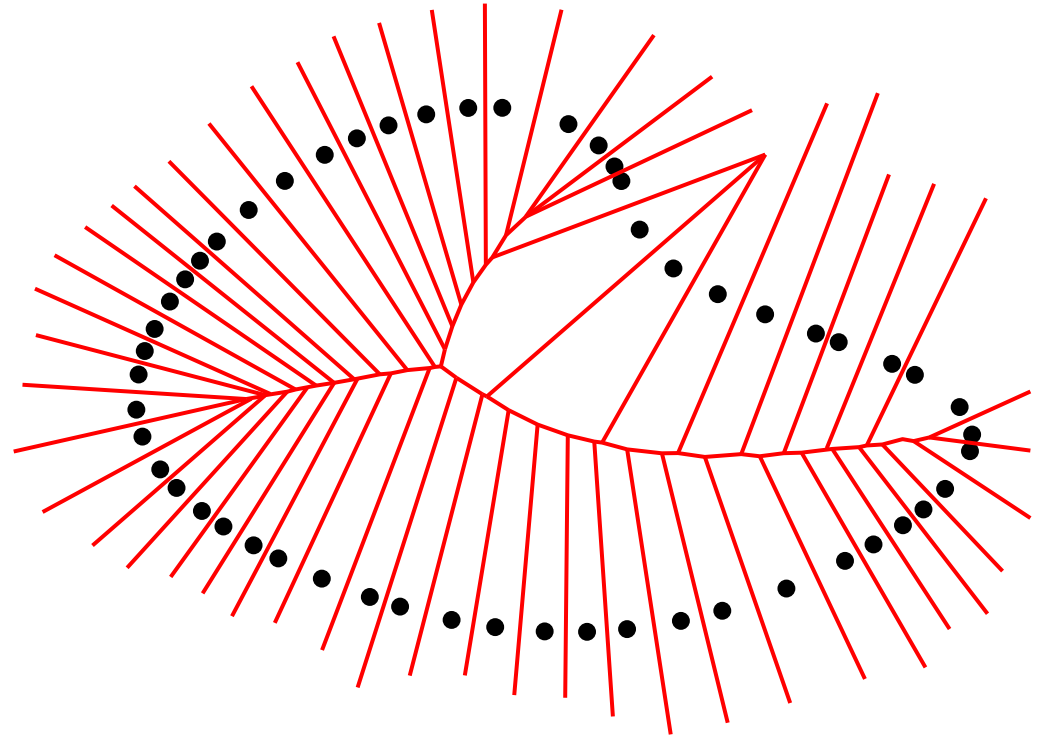
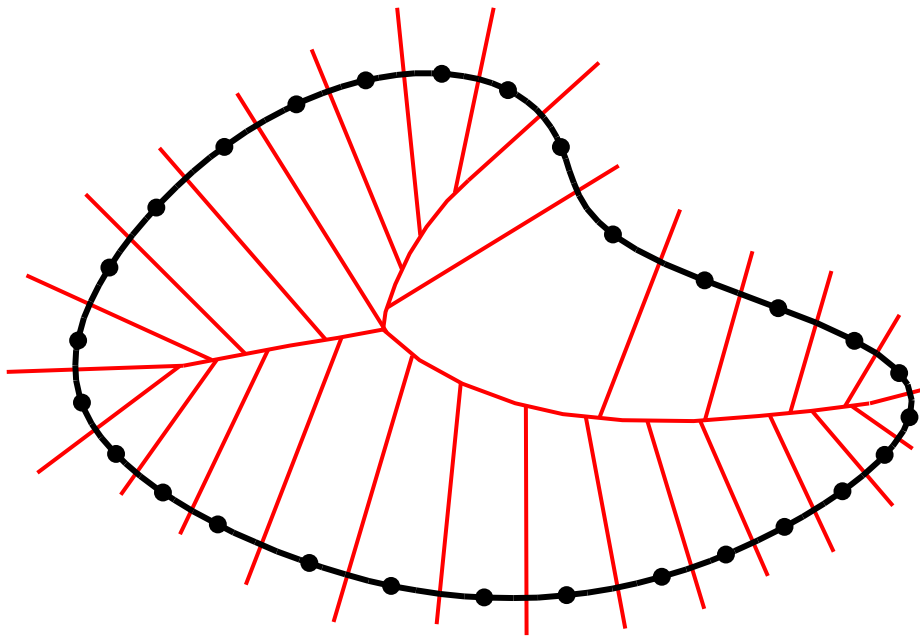
Given a set of points $P \subset \mathcal{S}$, any Voronoi disk B (maximal empty disk centered at a Voronoi vertex) must intersect the medial axis $M_{\mathcal{S}}$



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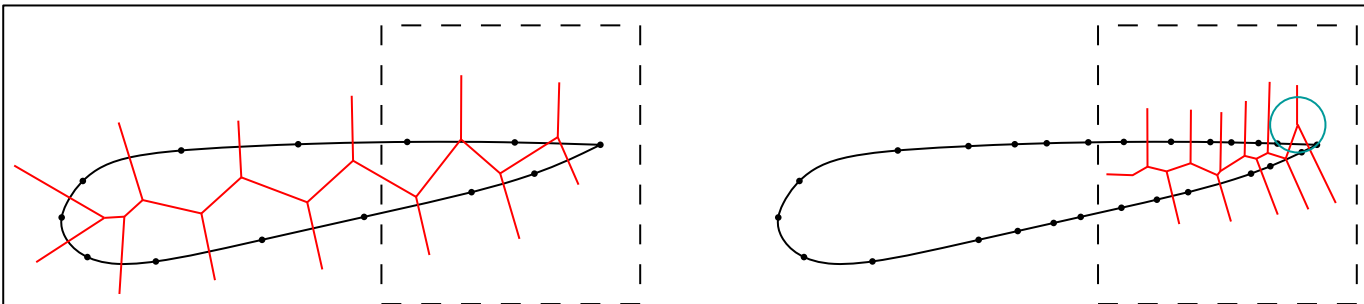
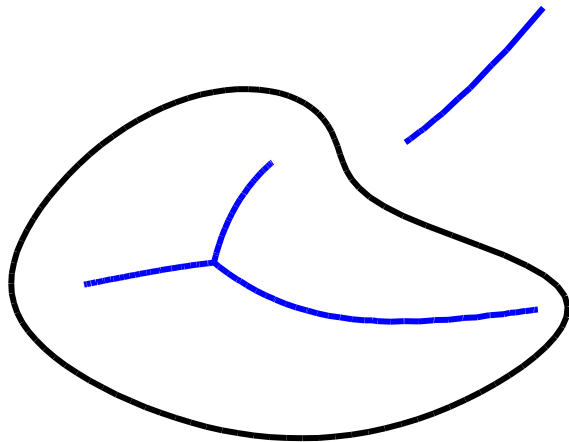
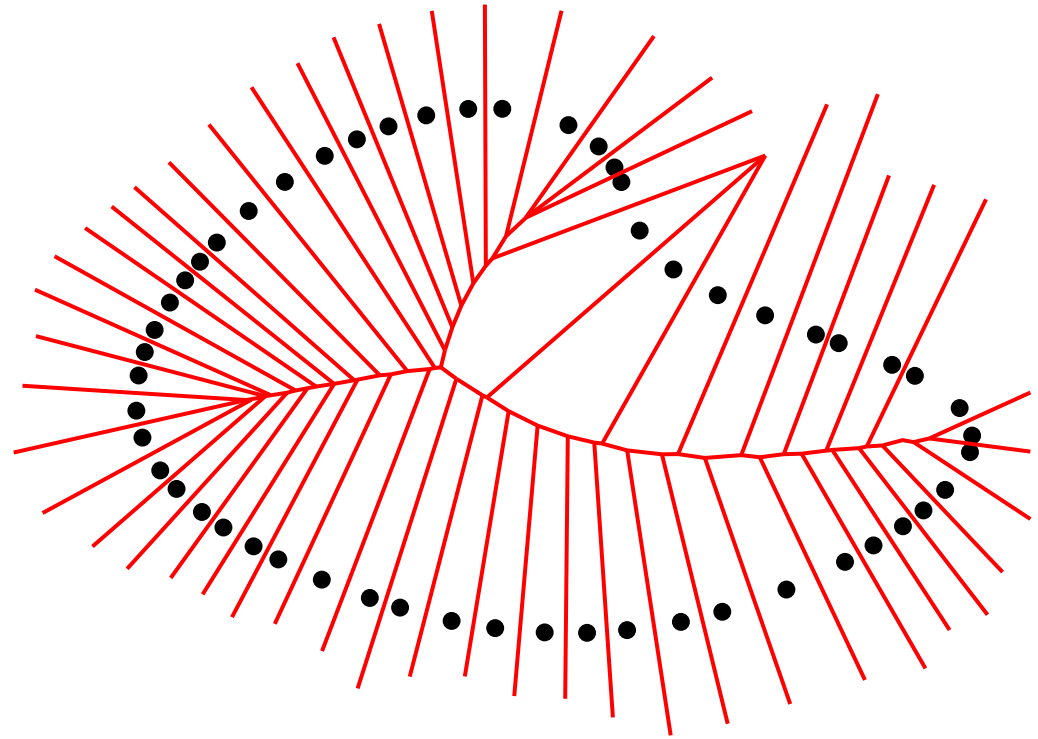
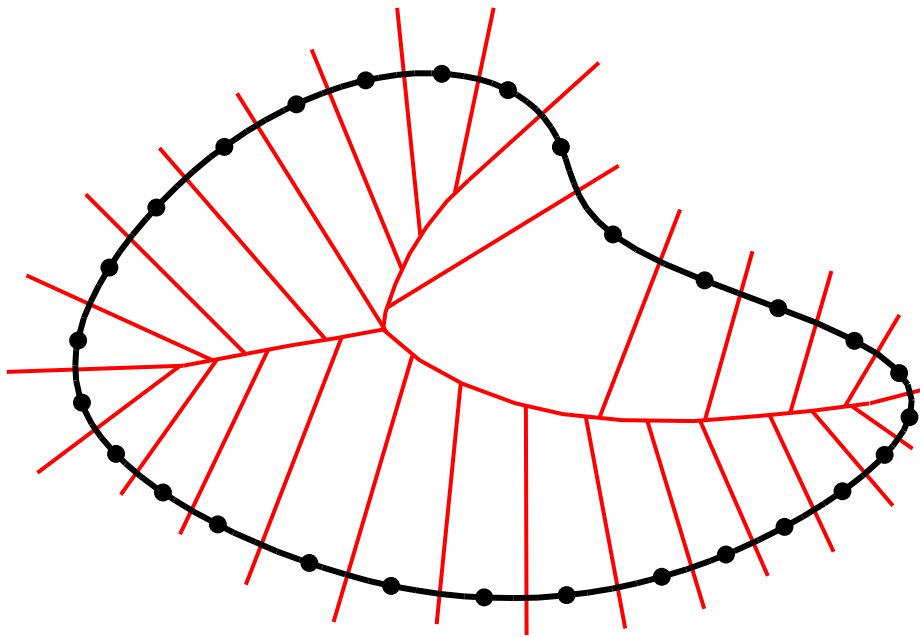
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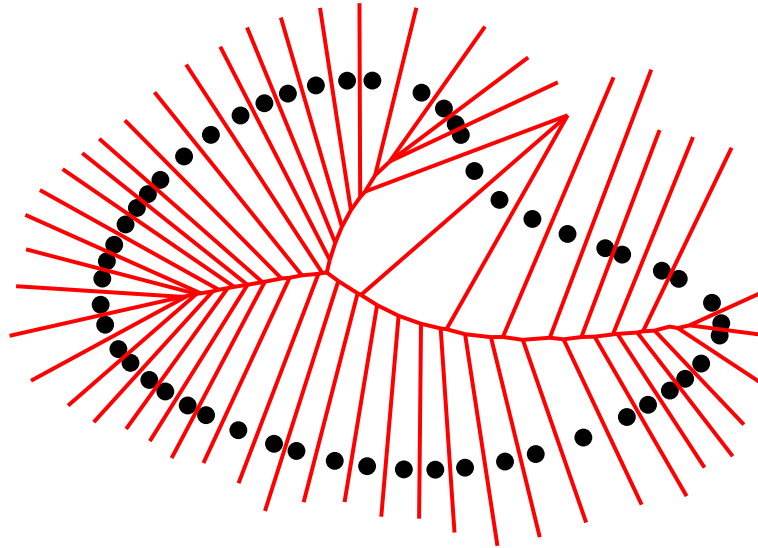
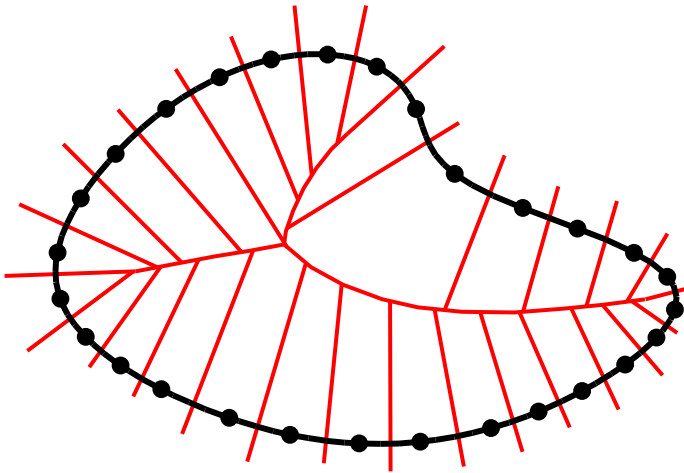


when $\mathcal{S}$ is not smooth some Voronoi vertices may not converge to the medial axis (as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$)

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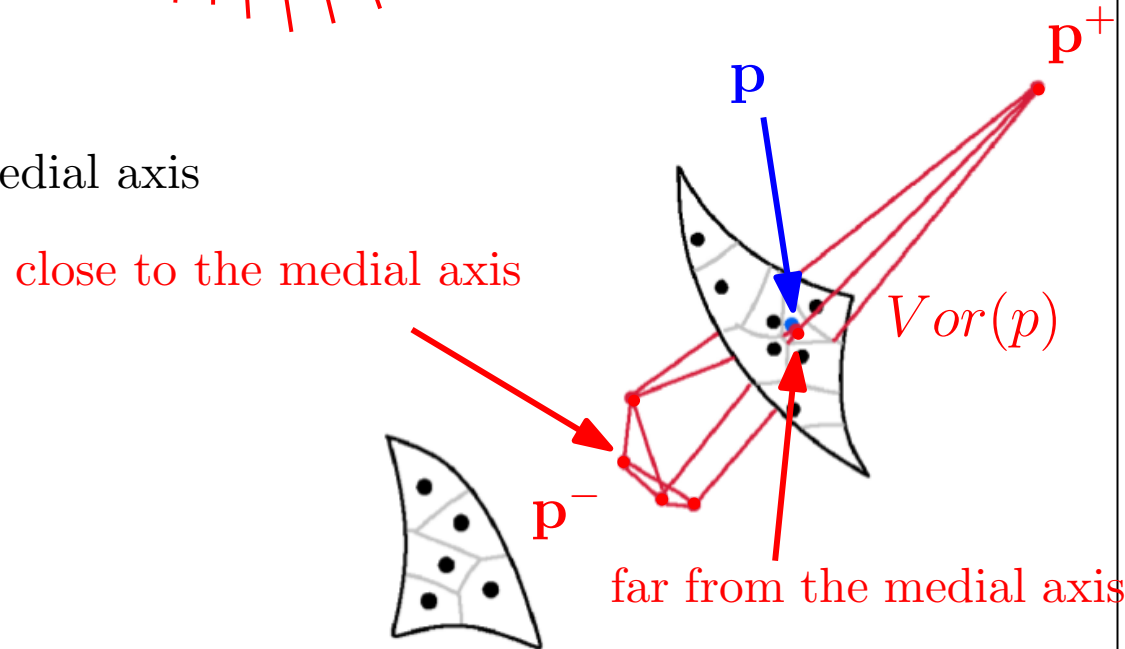
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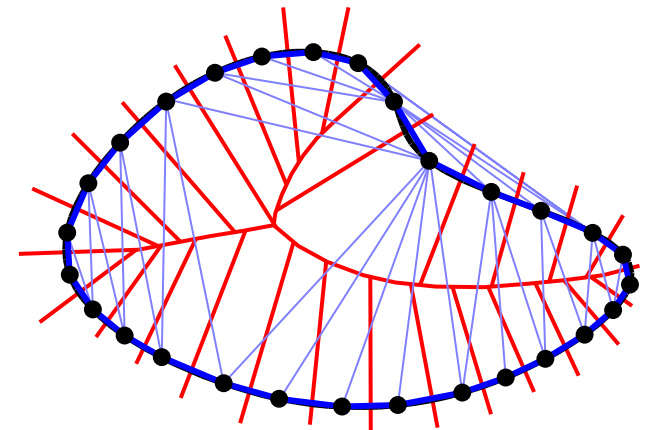
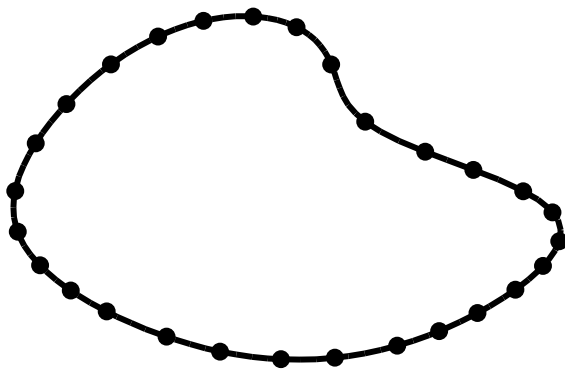
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1. the underlying shape $\mathcal{S}$ is a closed curve or surface with positive *reach* $\varrho_{\mathcal{S}}$
2. the point cloud P is an ε -sample of $\mathcal{S}$ with $\varepsilon \in O(\varrho_{\mathcal{S}})$.

Theorem: [Amenta et al. 1998-99]

If $\mathcal{S}$ is a curve or surface with positive *reach*, and if P is an ε -sample of $\mathcal{S}$ with $\varepsilon < \varrho_{\mathcal{S}}$ (curve) or $\varepsilon < 0.1\varrho_{\mathcal{S}}$ (surface), then:

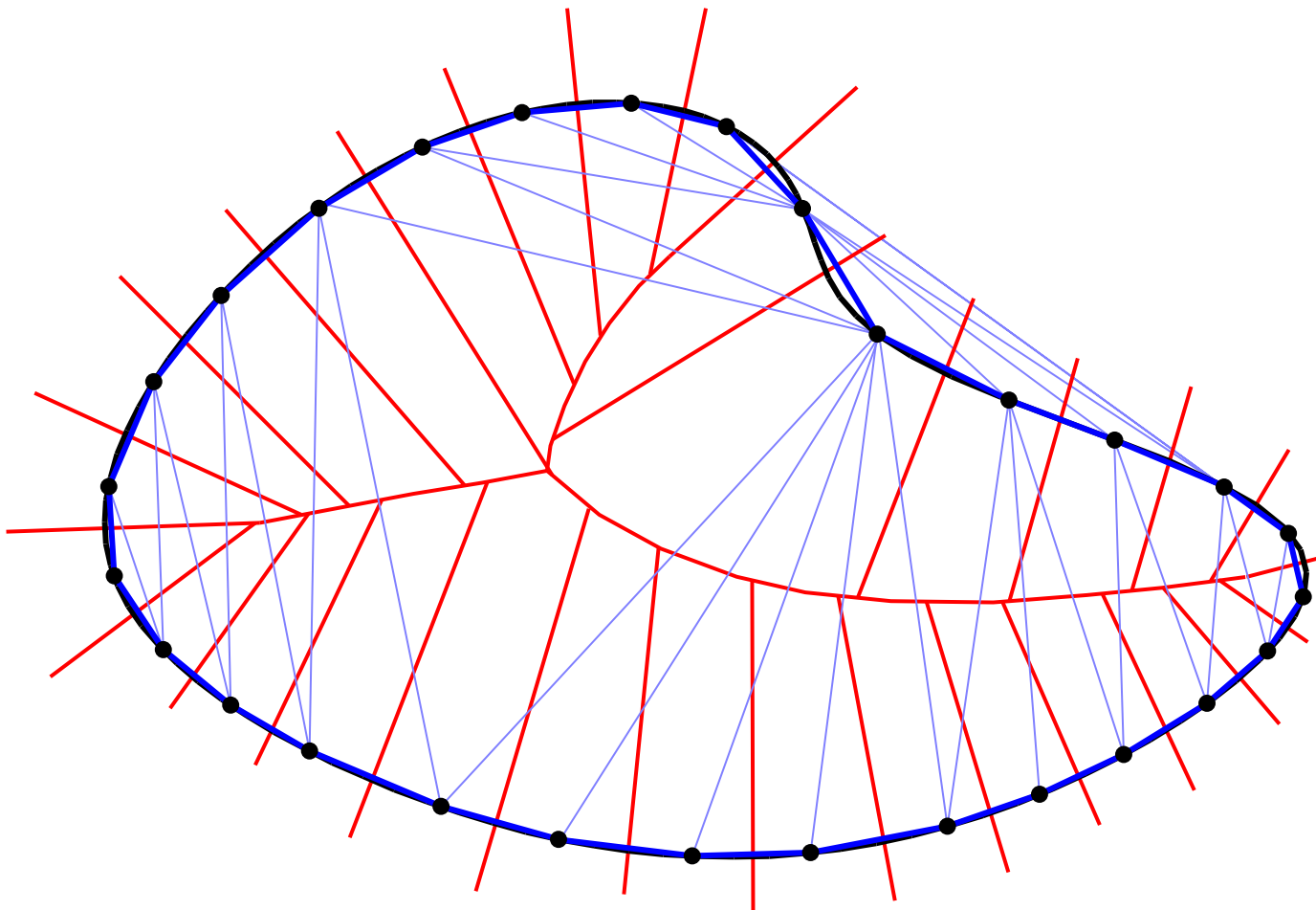
- $\text{Del}_{\mathcal{S}}(P)$ is homeomorphic to $\mathcal{S}$,
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- $\forall f \in \text{Del}_{\mathcal{S}}(P), \forall v \in f, \angle n_f n_v \mathcal{S} \in O(\varepsilon)$, the angles between consecutive points on $\text{Del}_{\mathcal{S}}(P)$ are flat
- $\dots$ (similar areas, curvature estimation, etc.)



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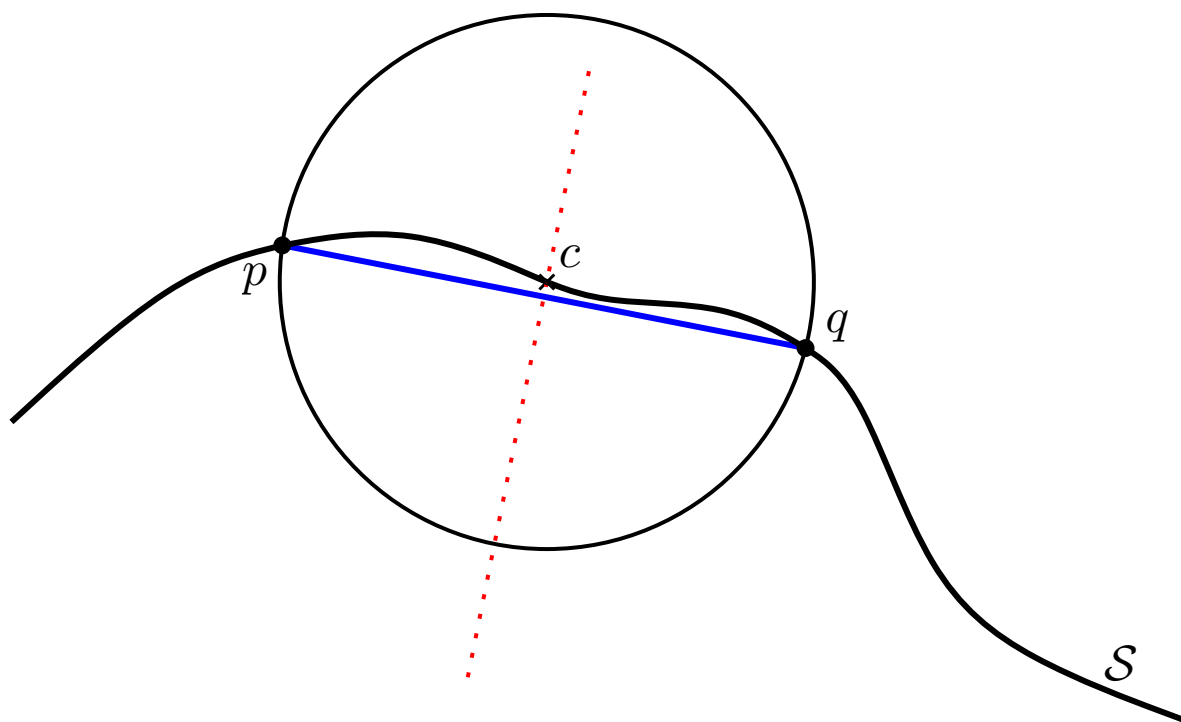
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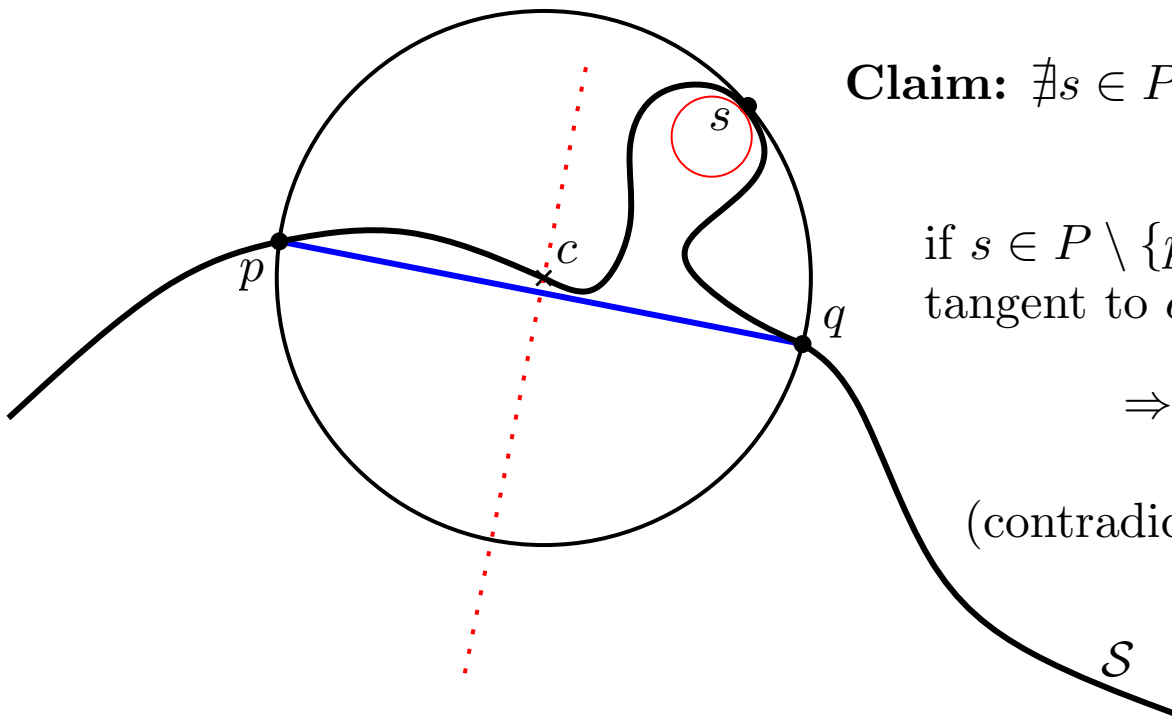
$$\Rightarrow d(c, P) = r = \|c - s\| \geq \text{lfs}(s) > \varepsilon.$$

(contradiction with the hypothesis of the theorem)

by the **Tangent ball lemma** B should not intersect $\mathcal{S}$ (its radius r is too small)

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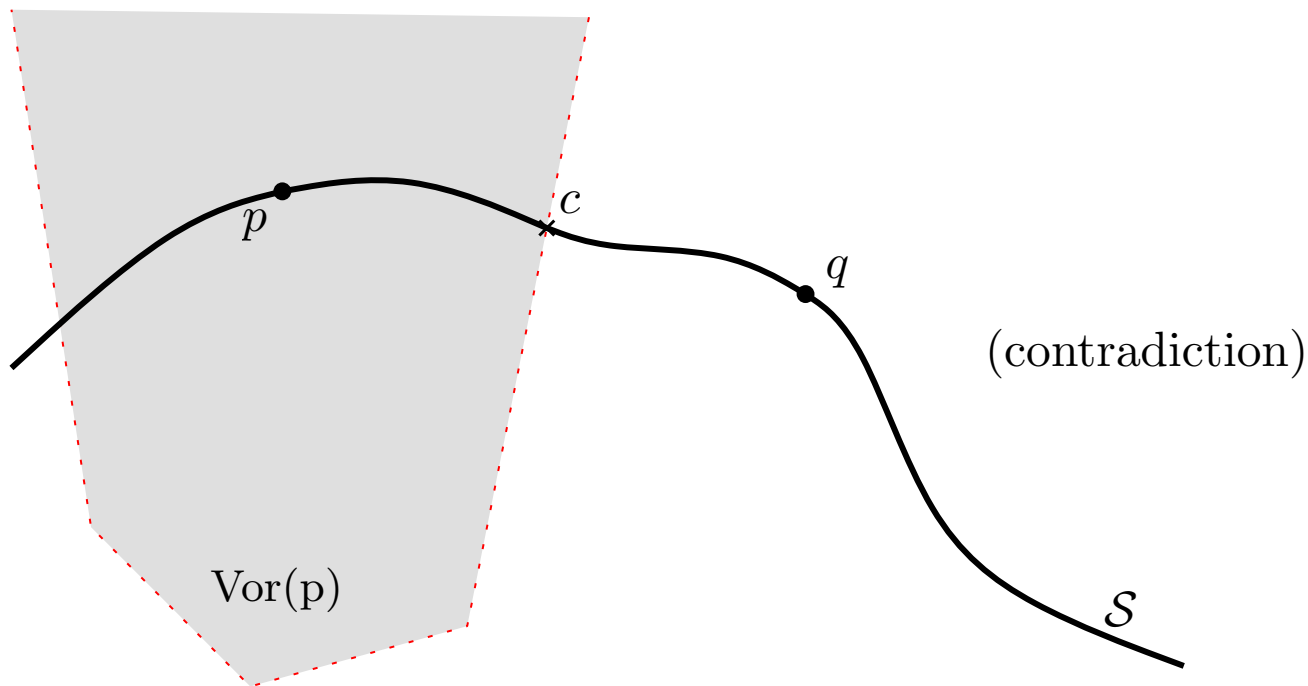
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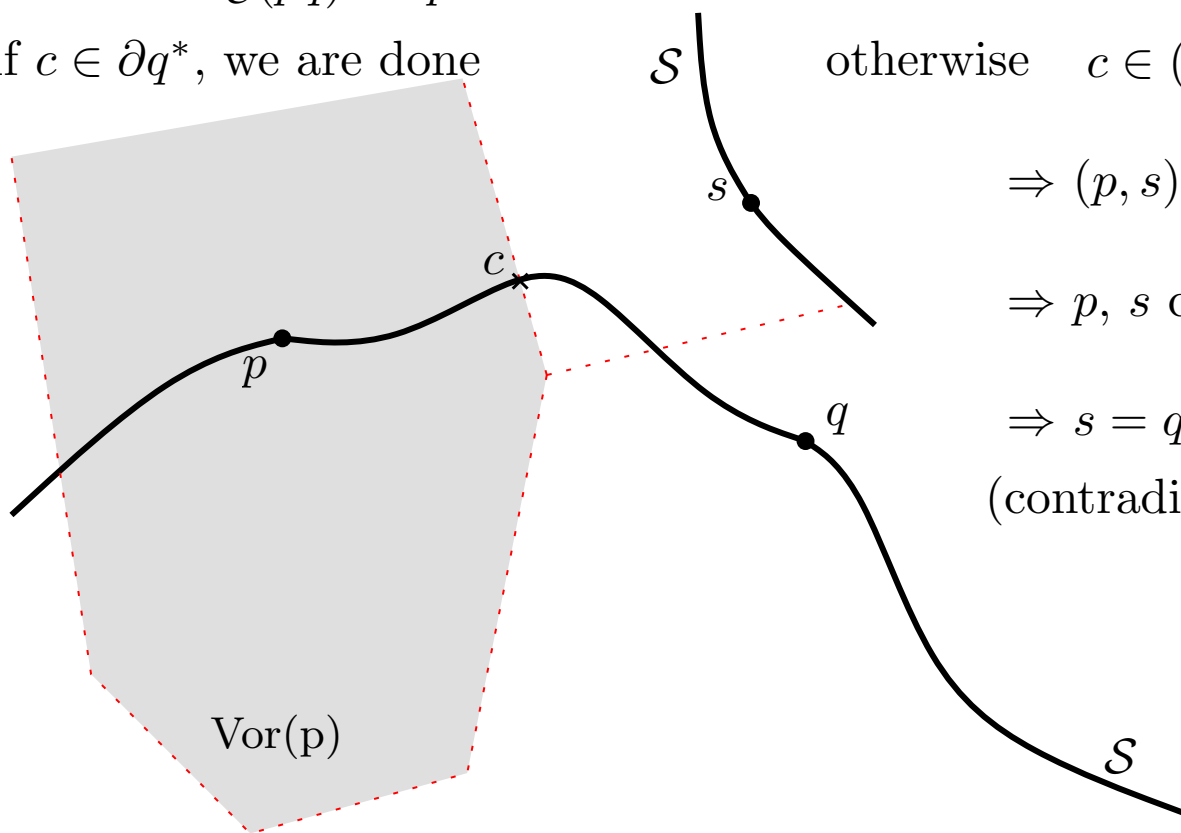
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(by previous part of the proof)

$\Rightarrow s = q$

(contradiction)

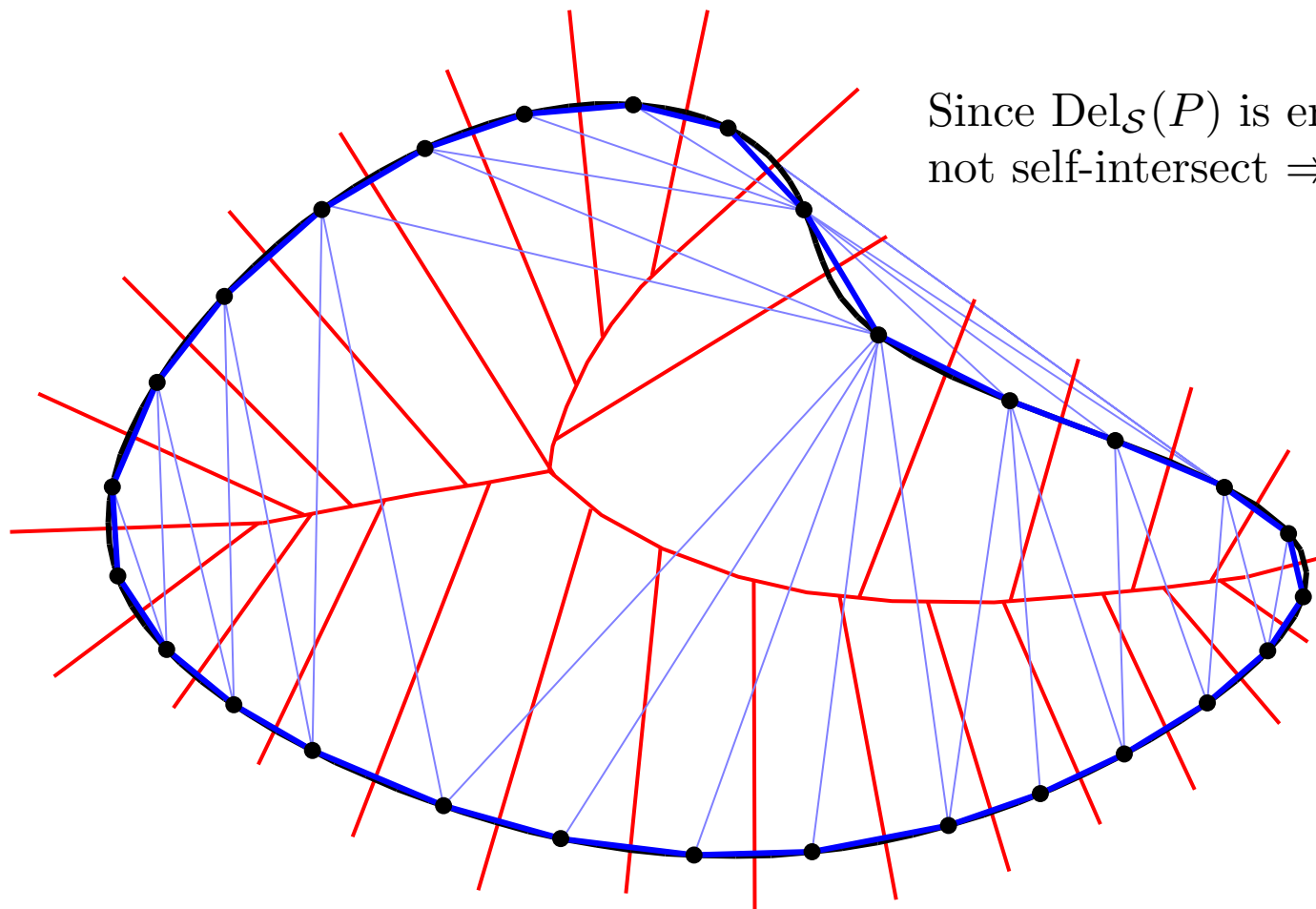


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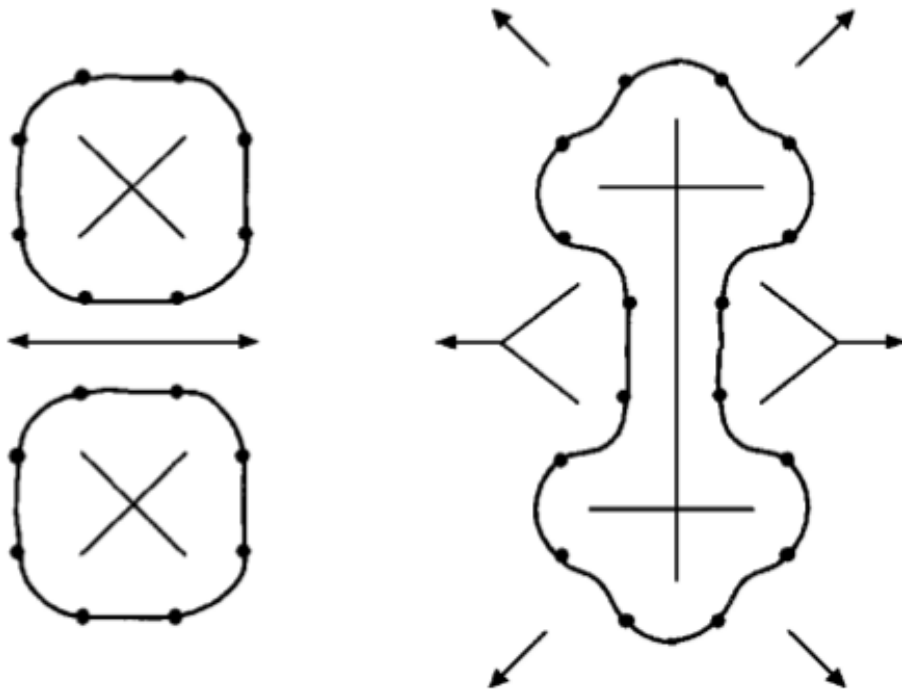
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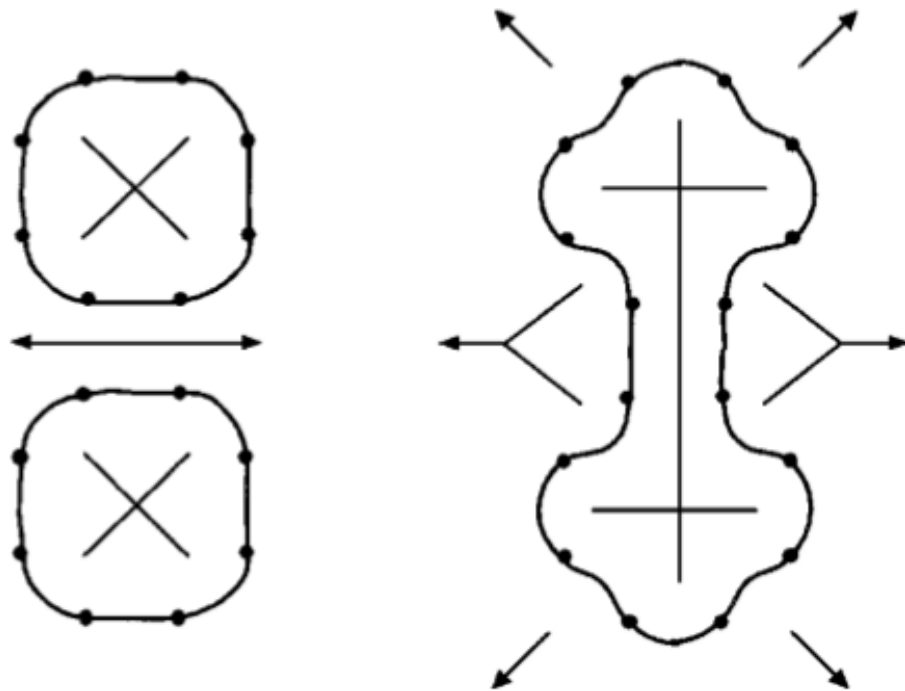
Since $\text{Del}_{\mathcal{S}}(P)$ is embedded in $\text{Del}(P)$, it does not self-intersect $\Rightarrow$ global homeomorphism

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(if P is not an ε -sample)

Flatness of the reconstruction

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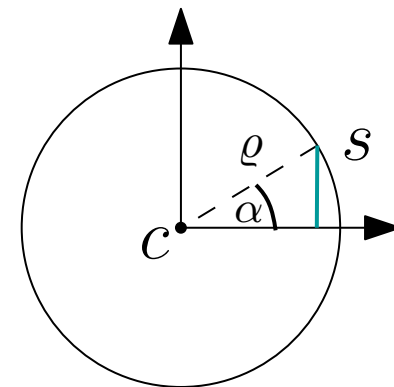
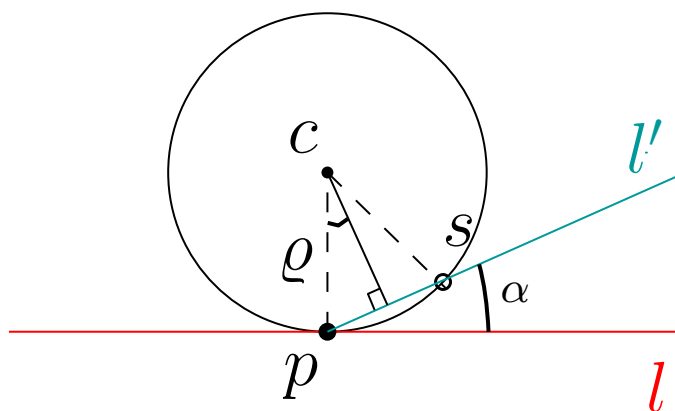
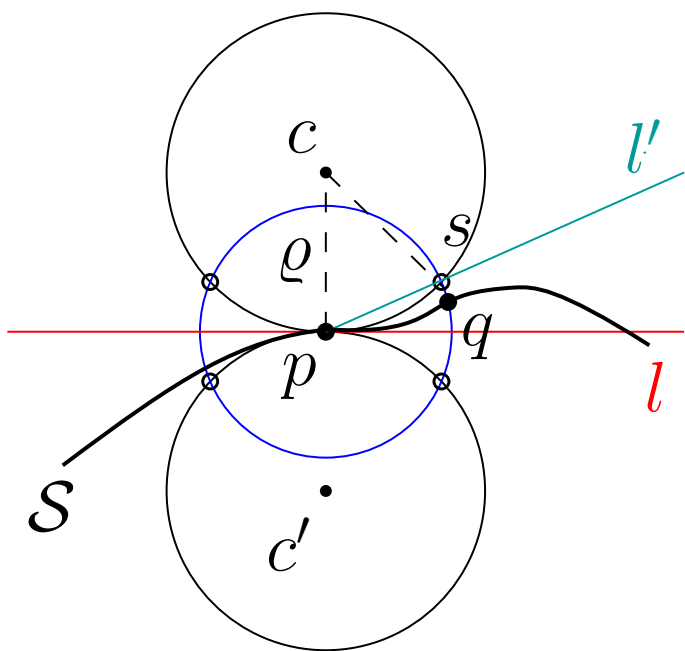
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$$\angle(pq, l) \leq \angle(l, l') := \alpha$$

$$\alpha = 2\angle(pcs)$$

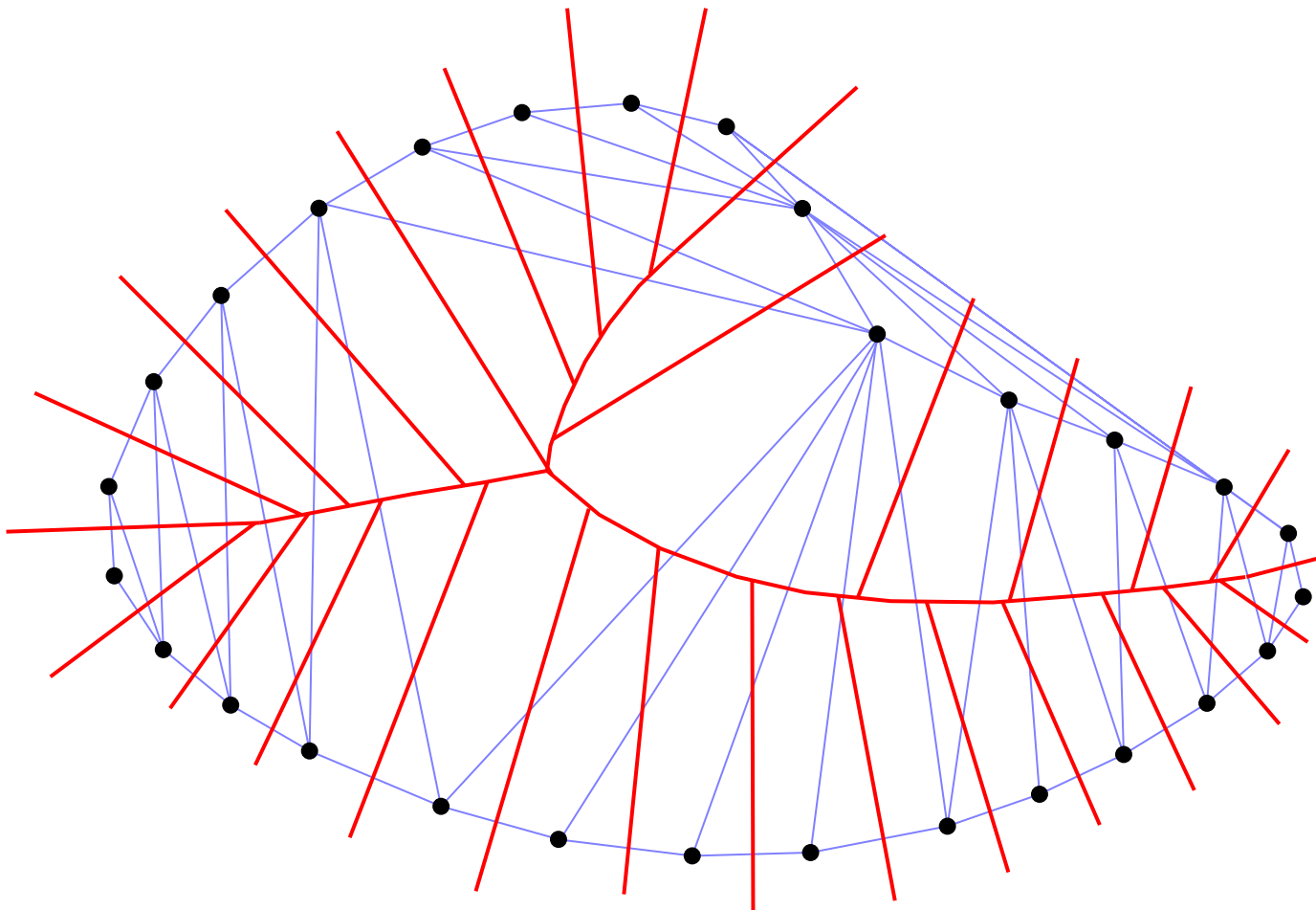
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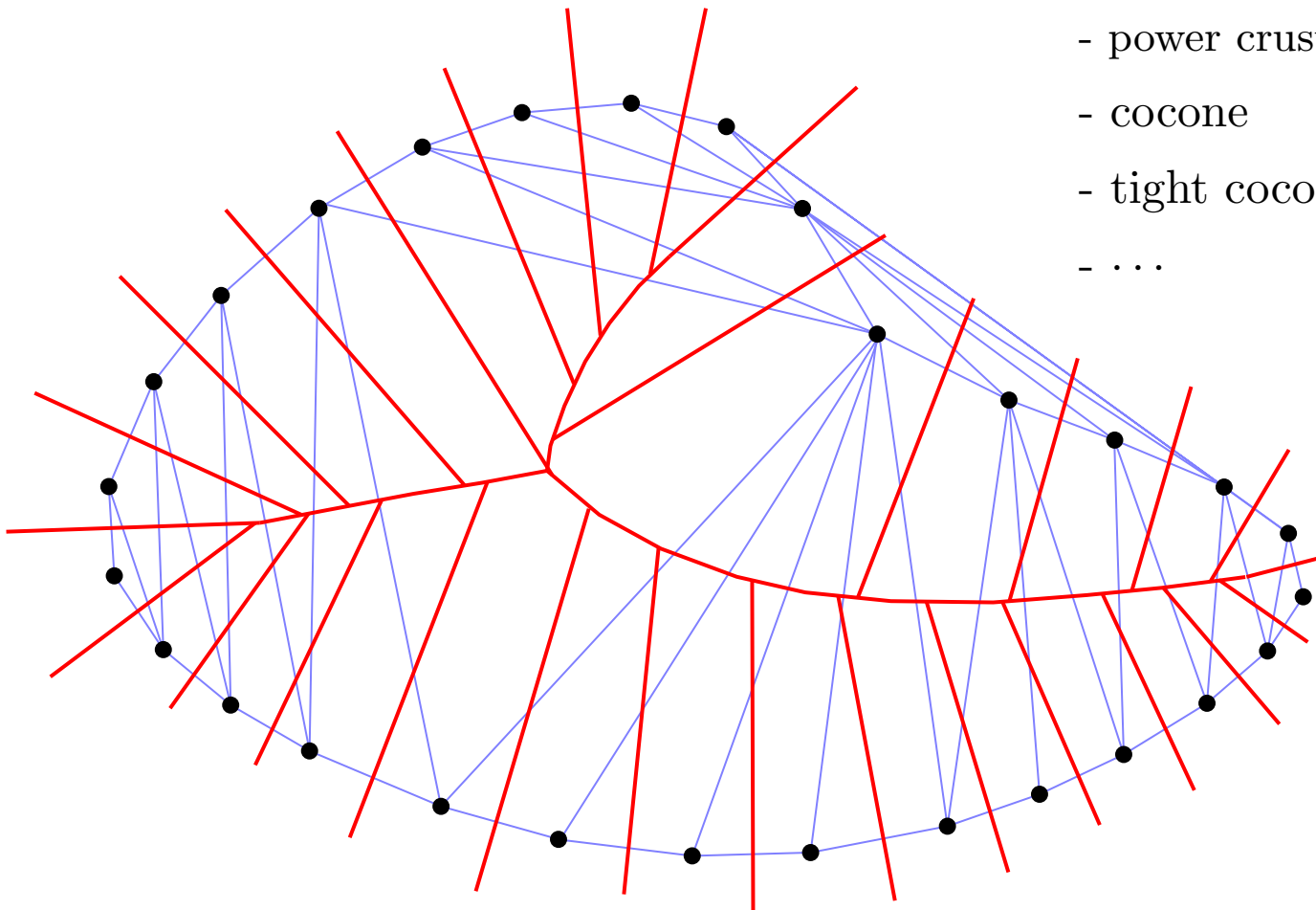


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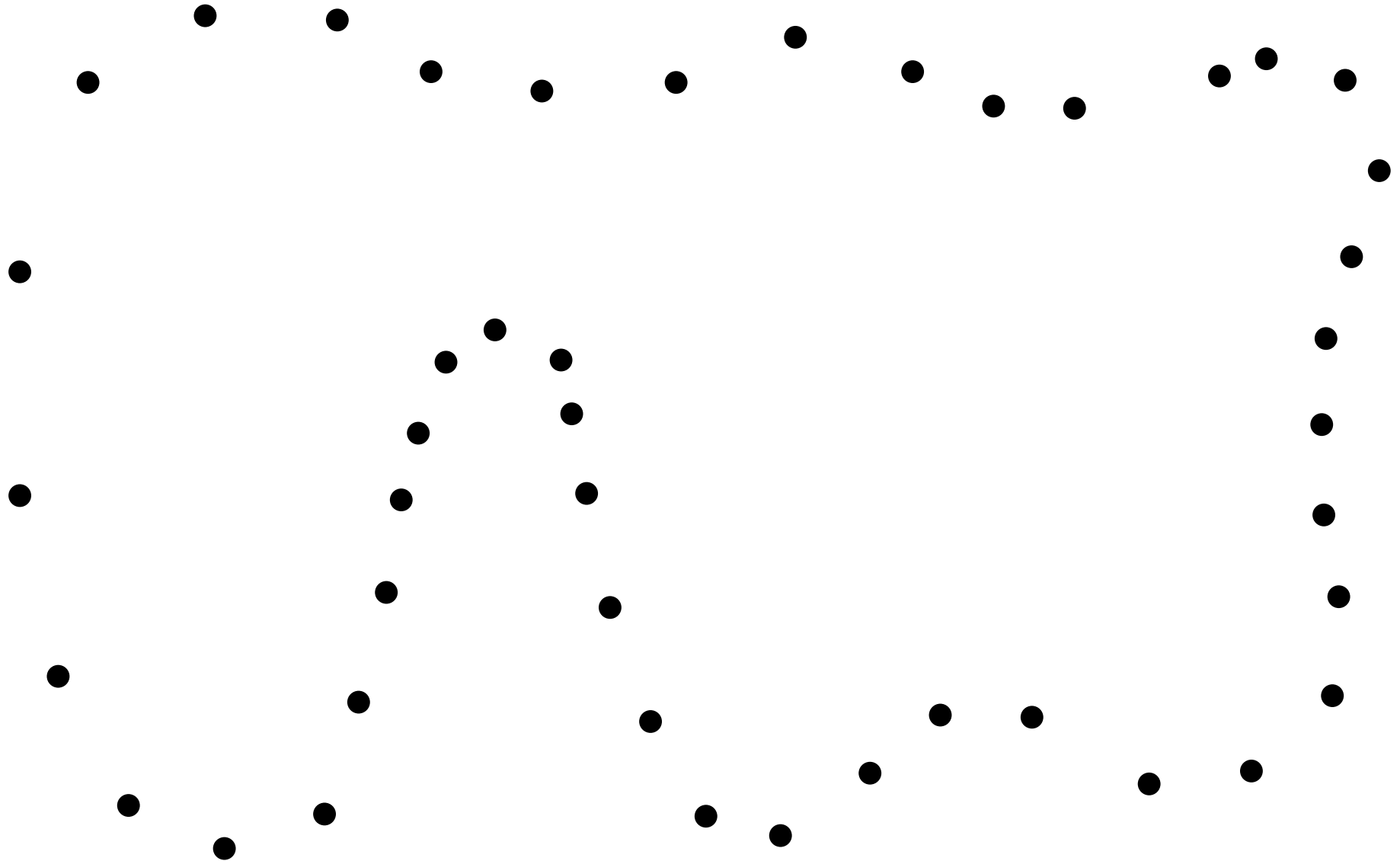
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- power crust
- cocone
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- ...



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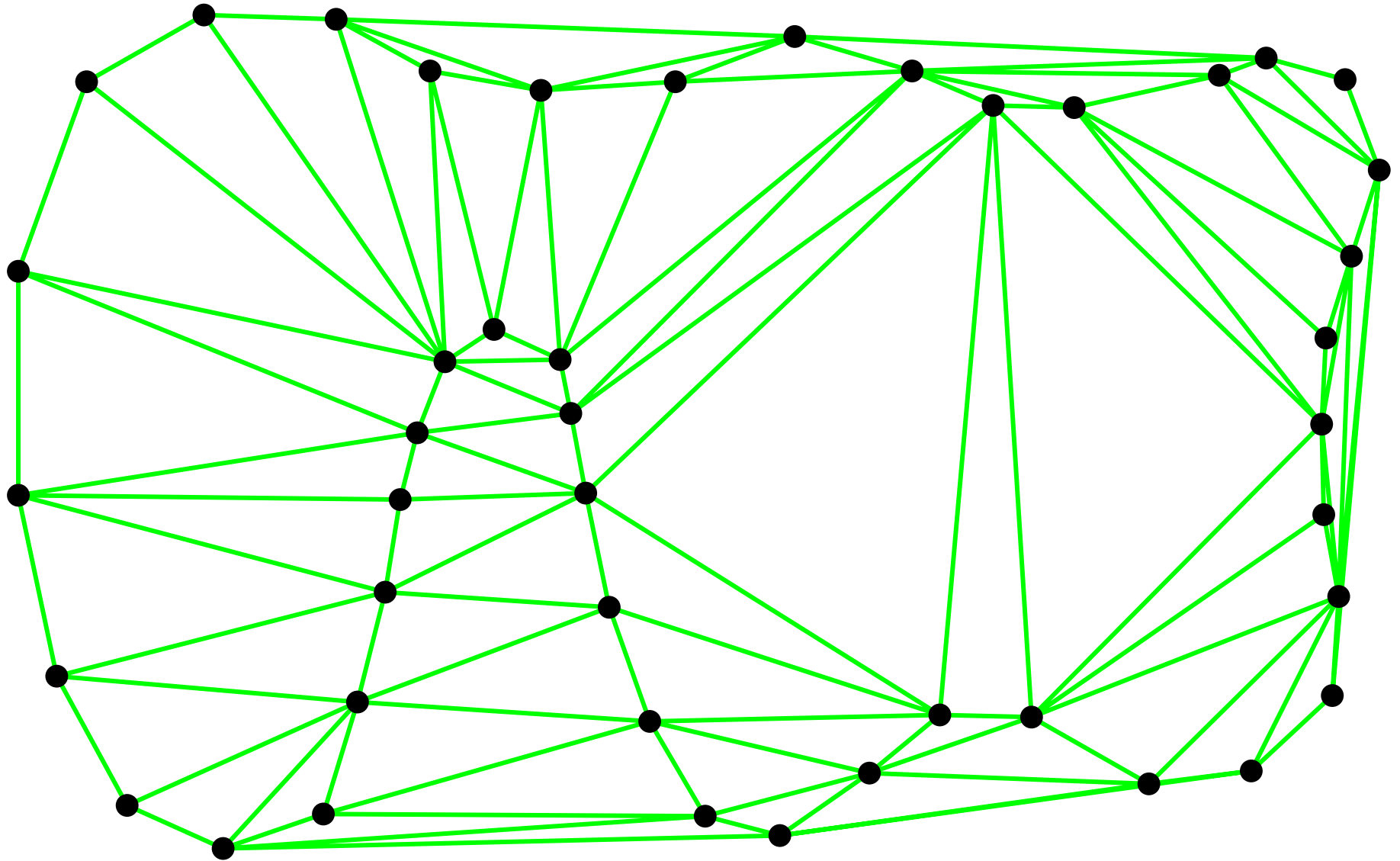
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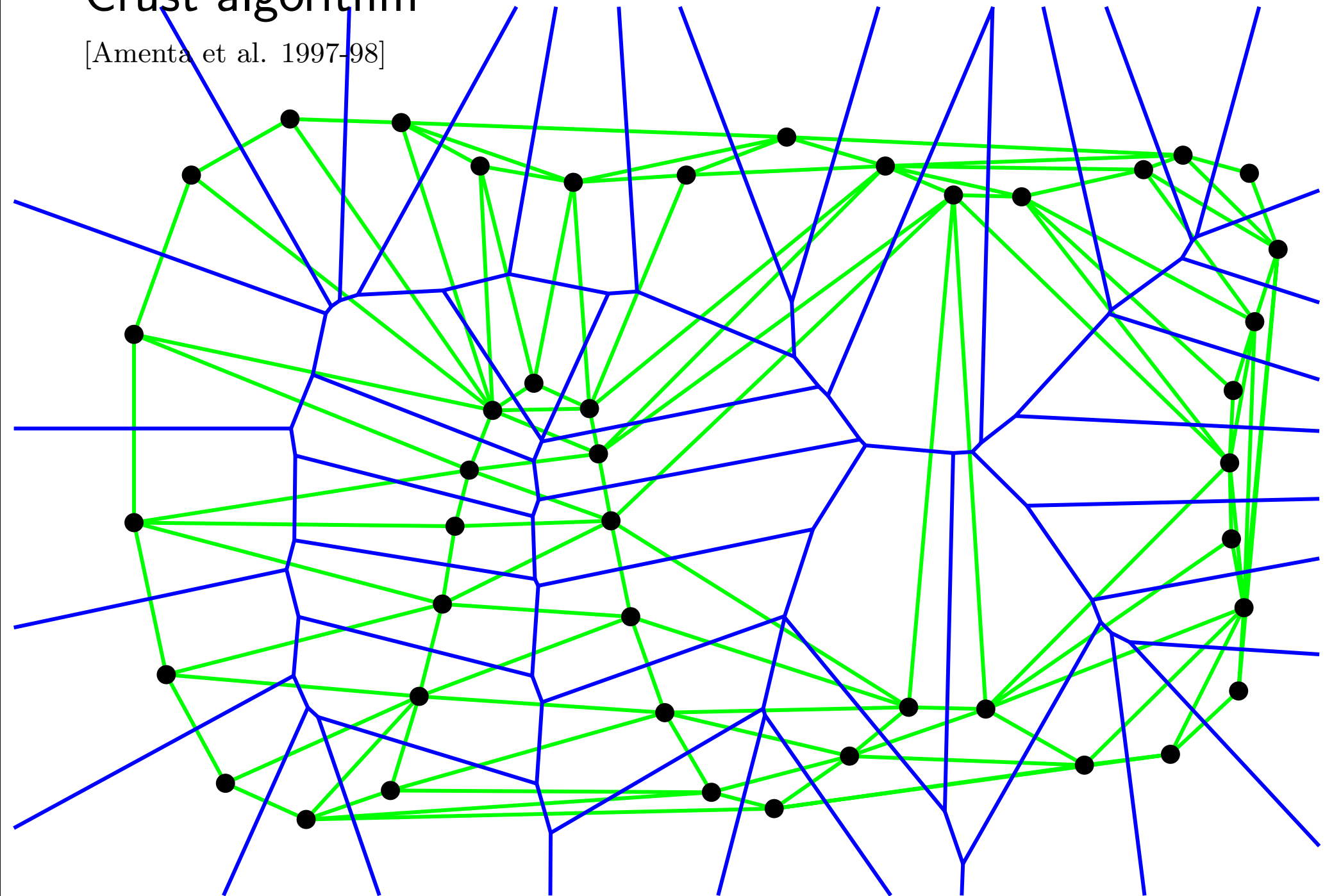
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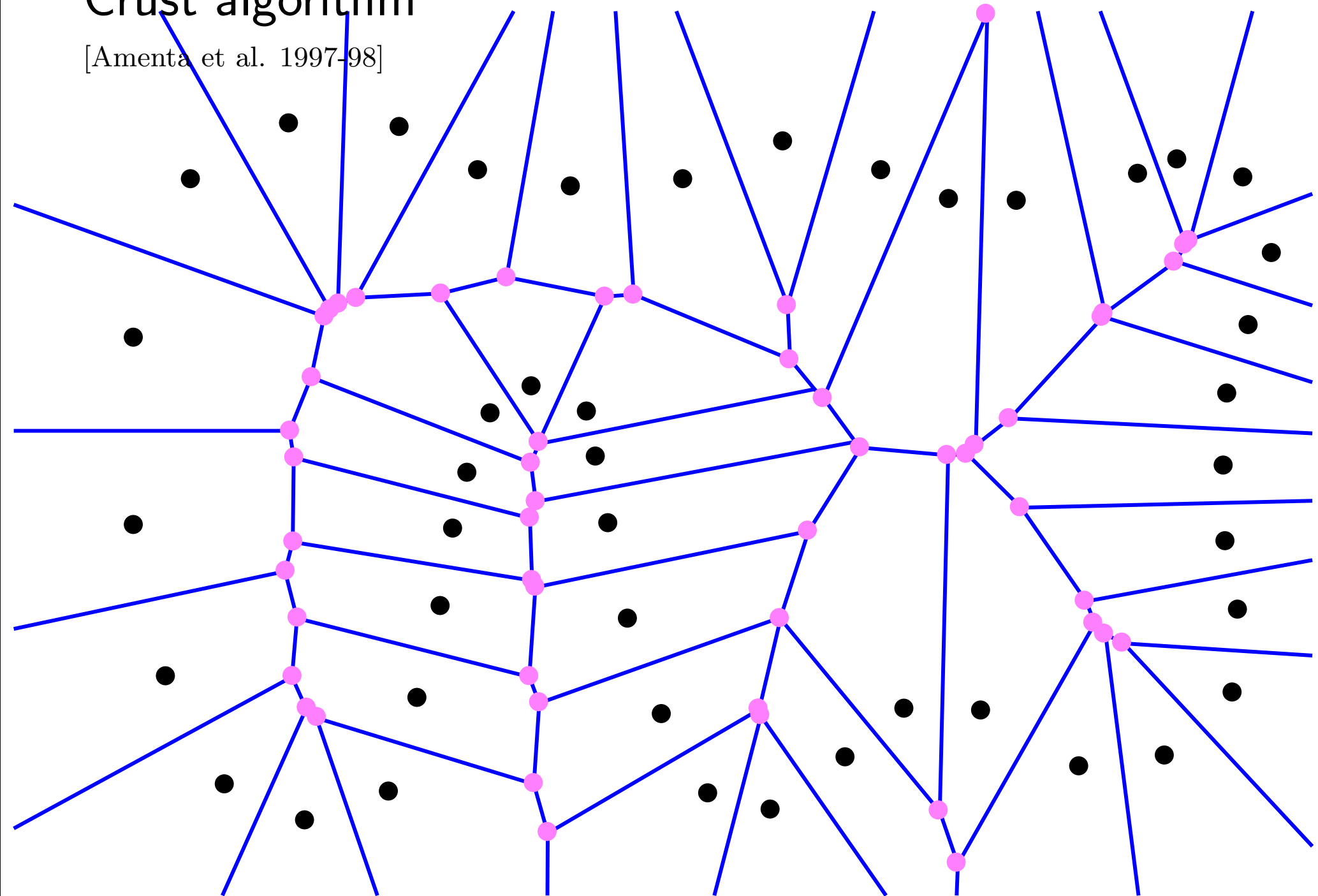
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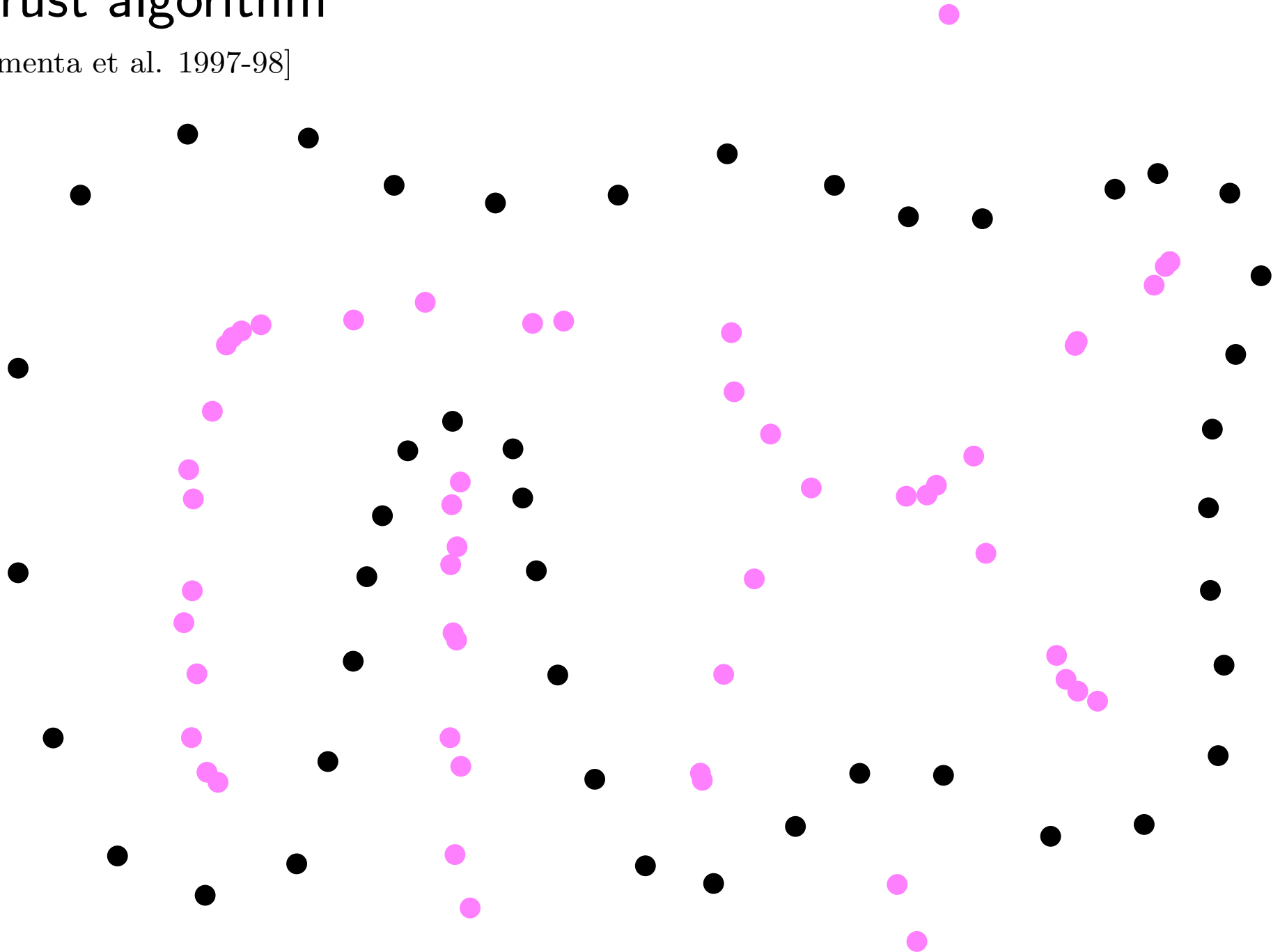
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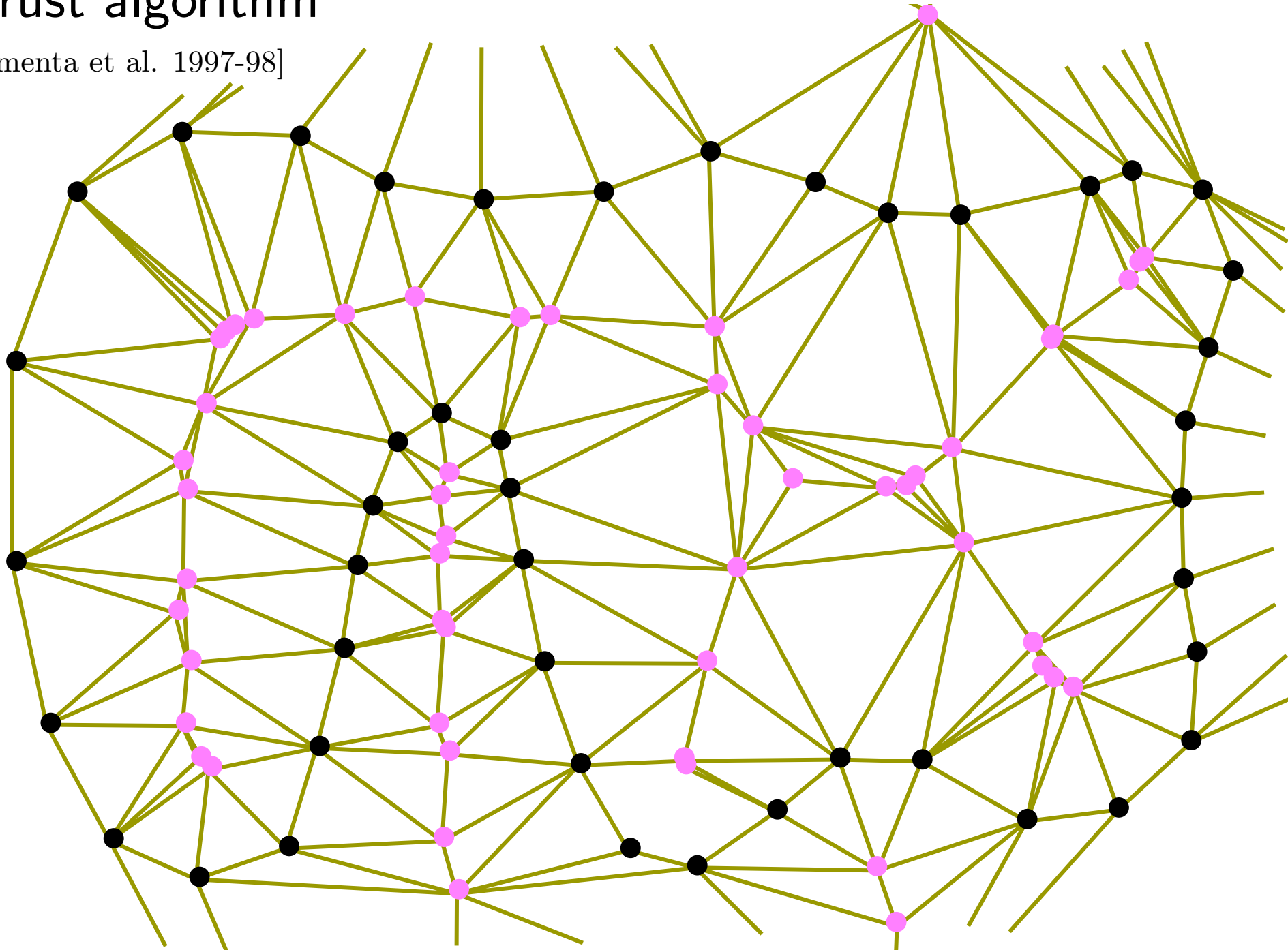
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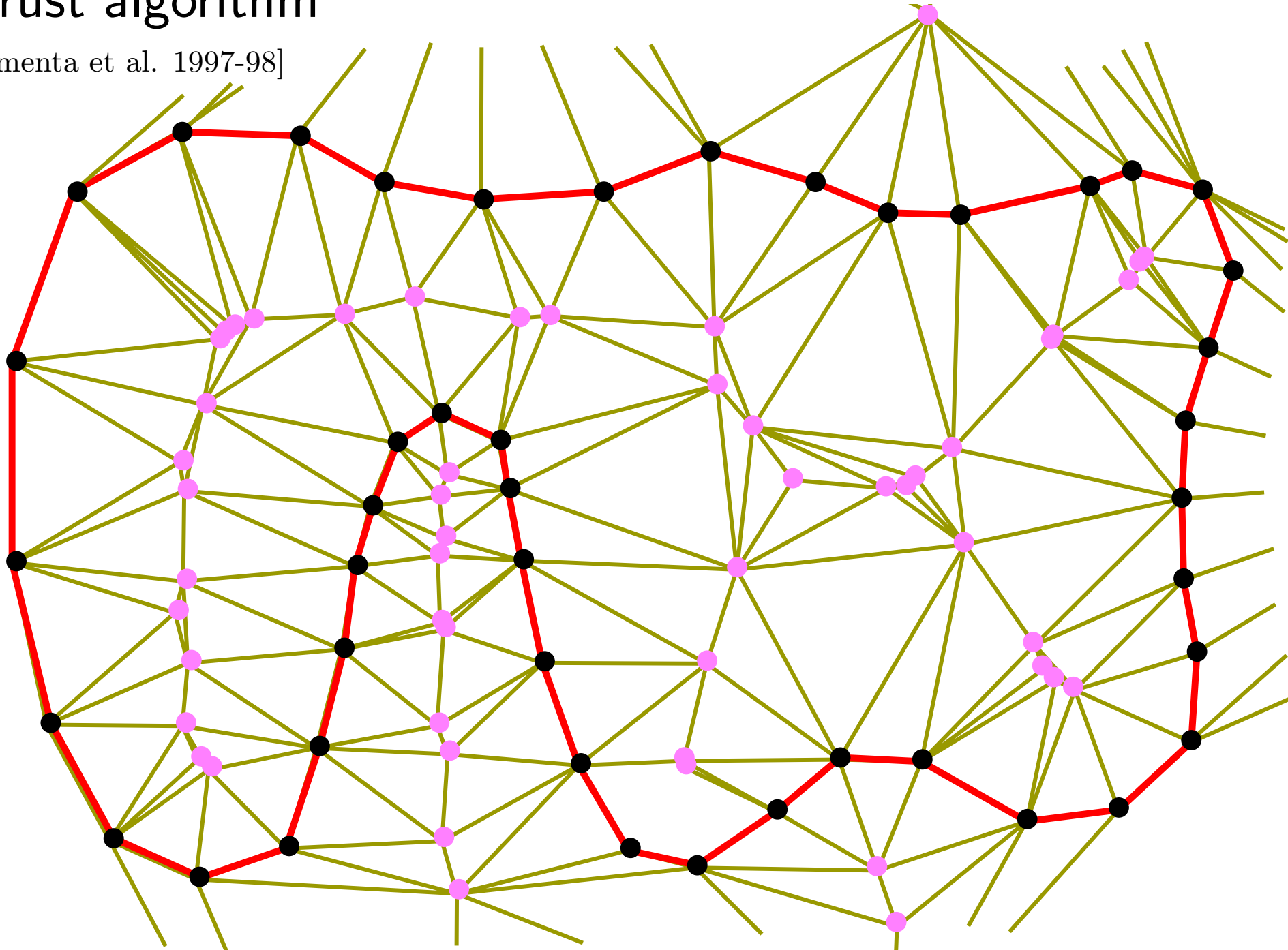
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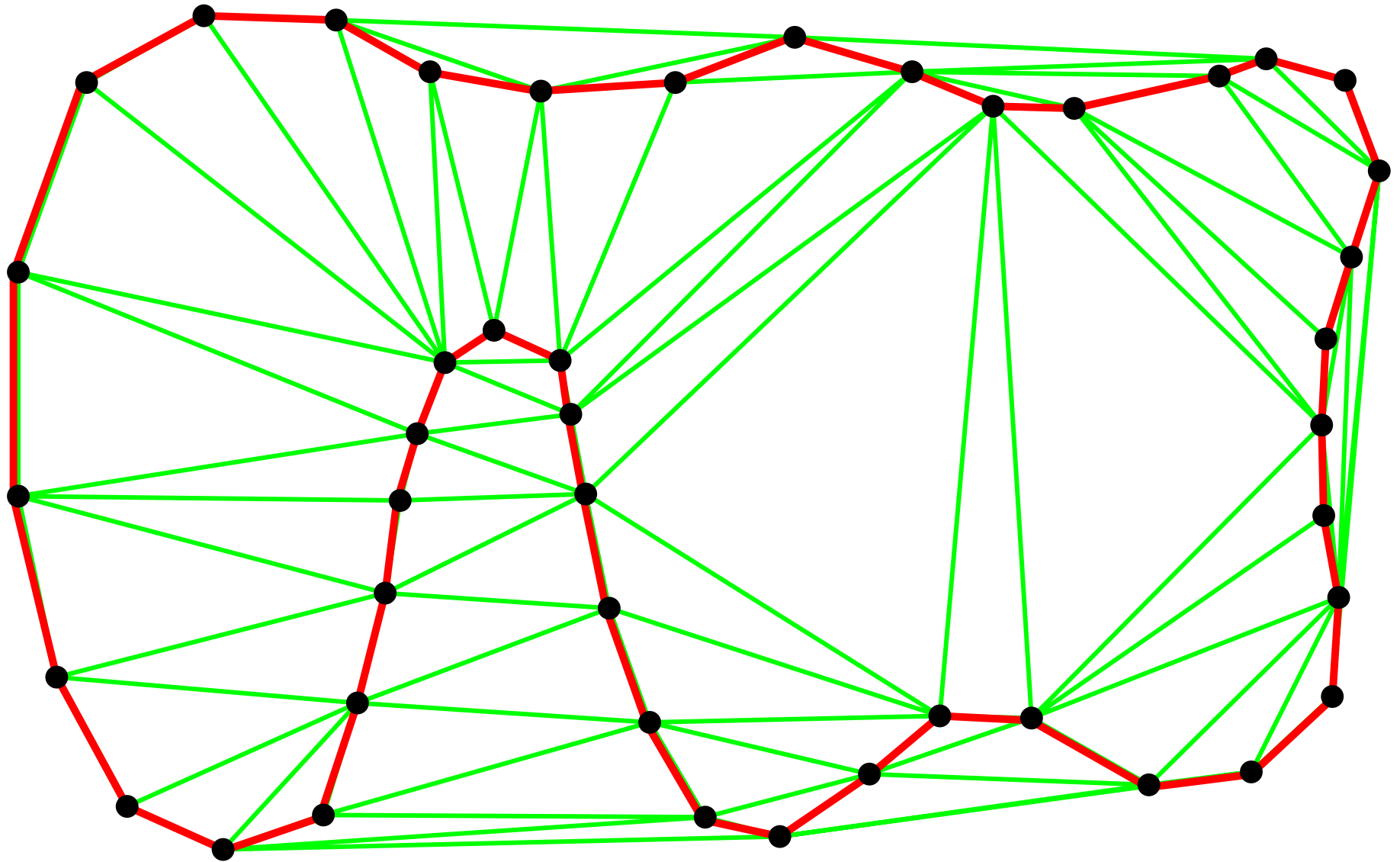
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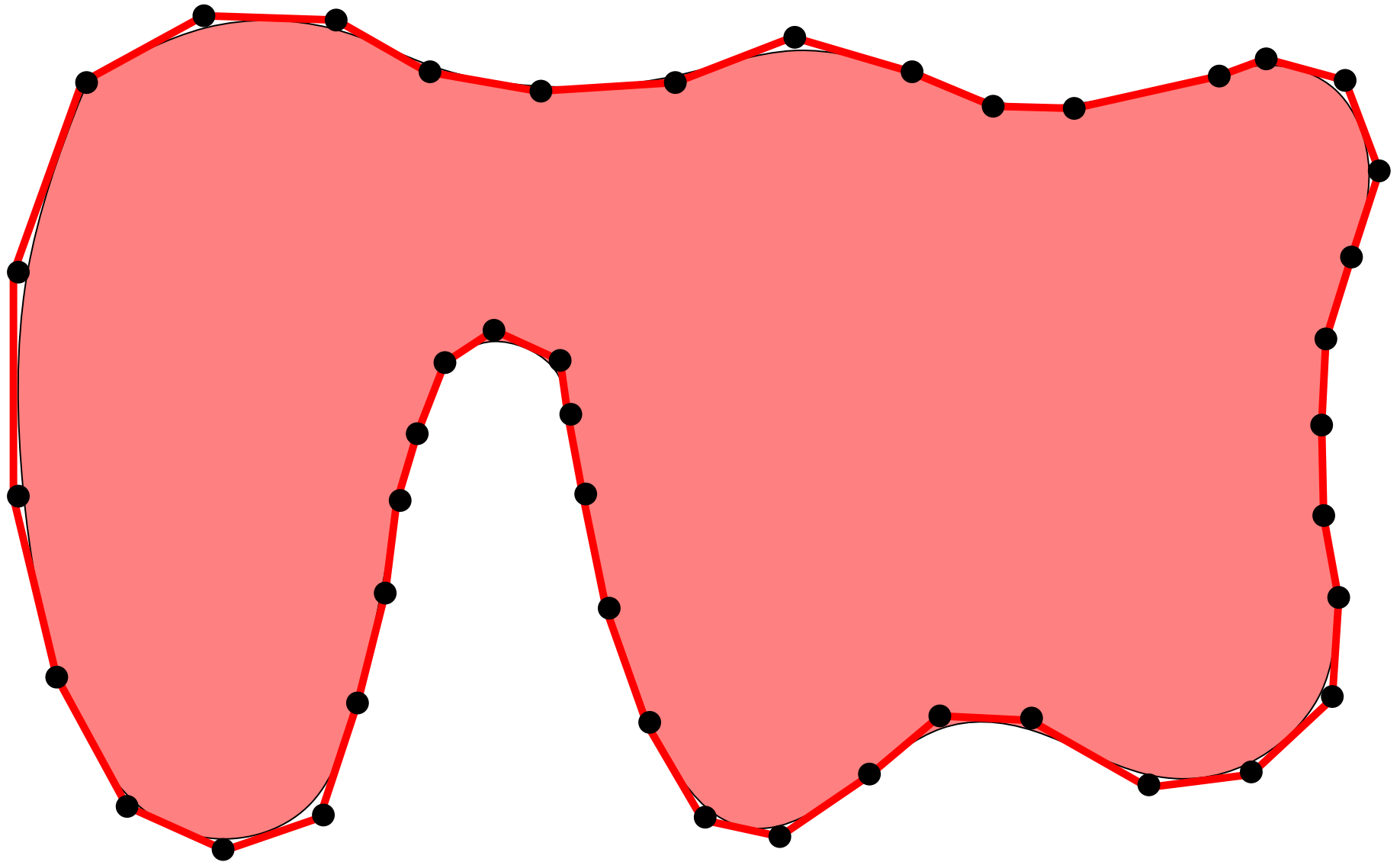
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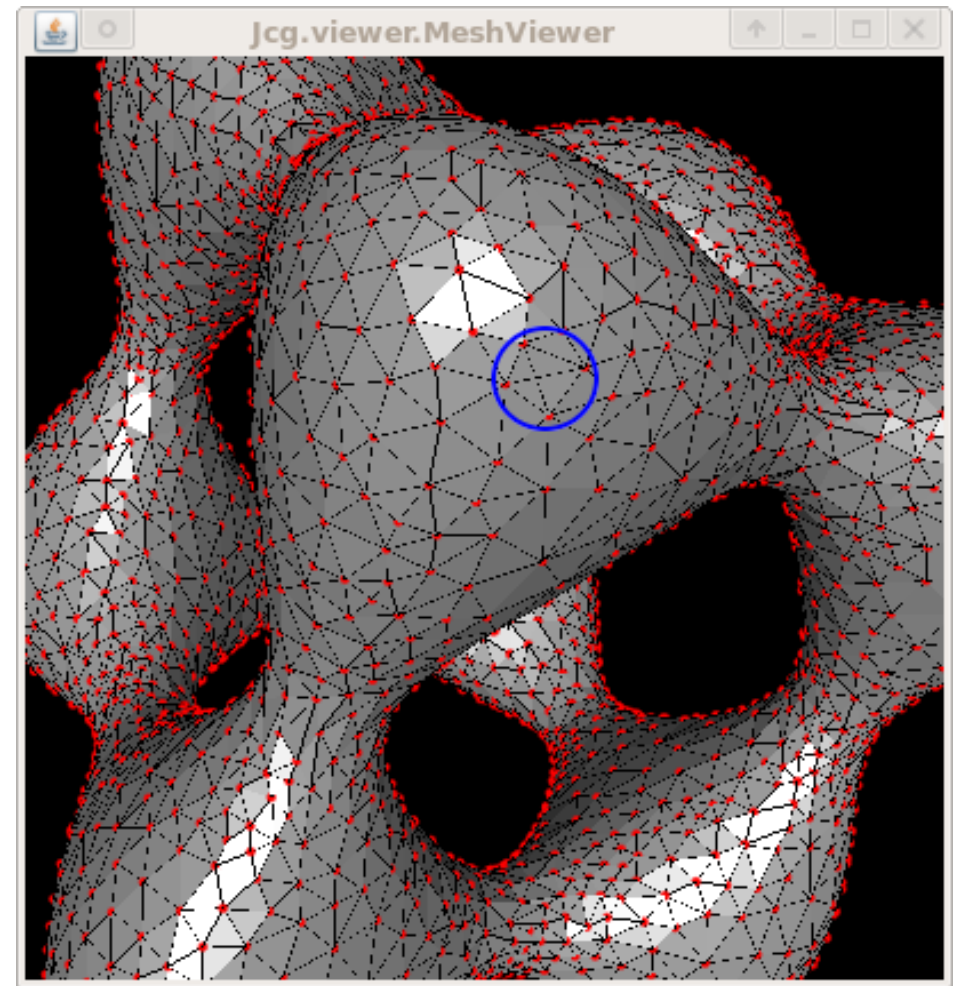
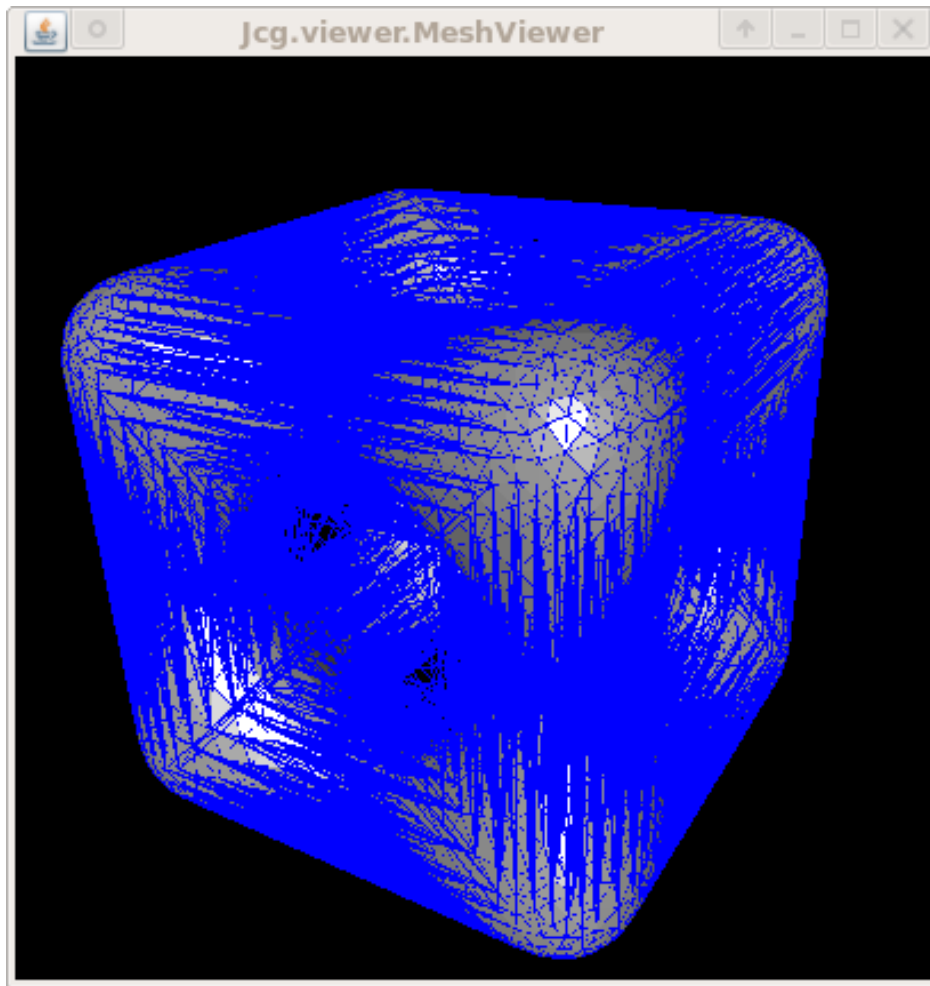


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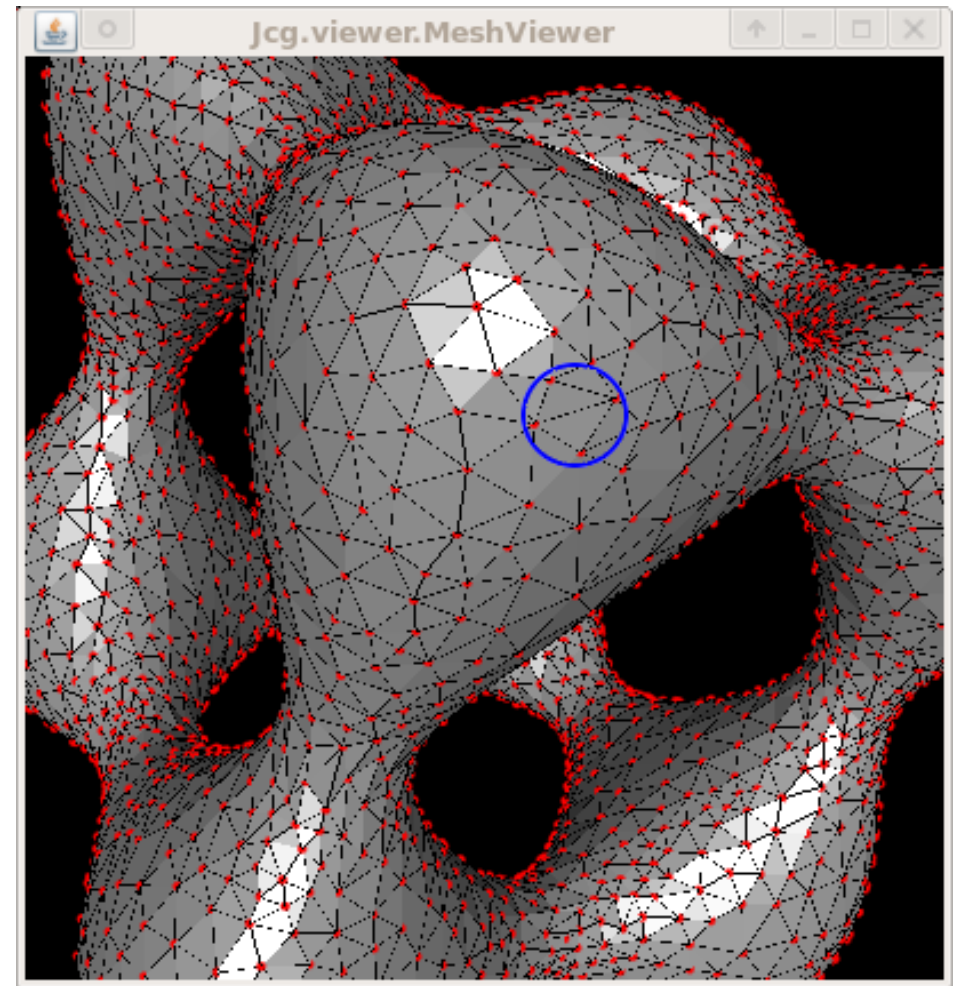
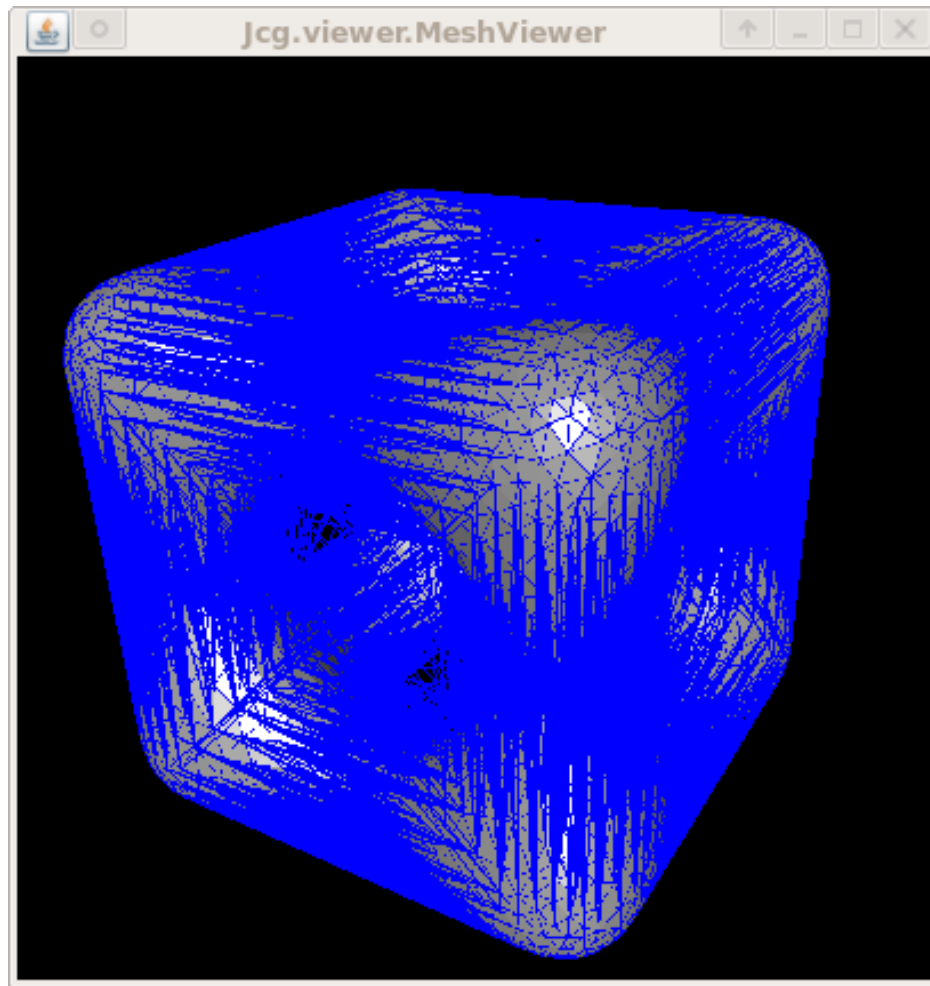
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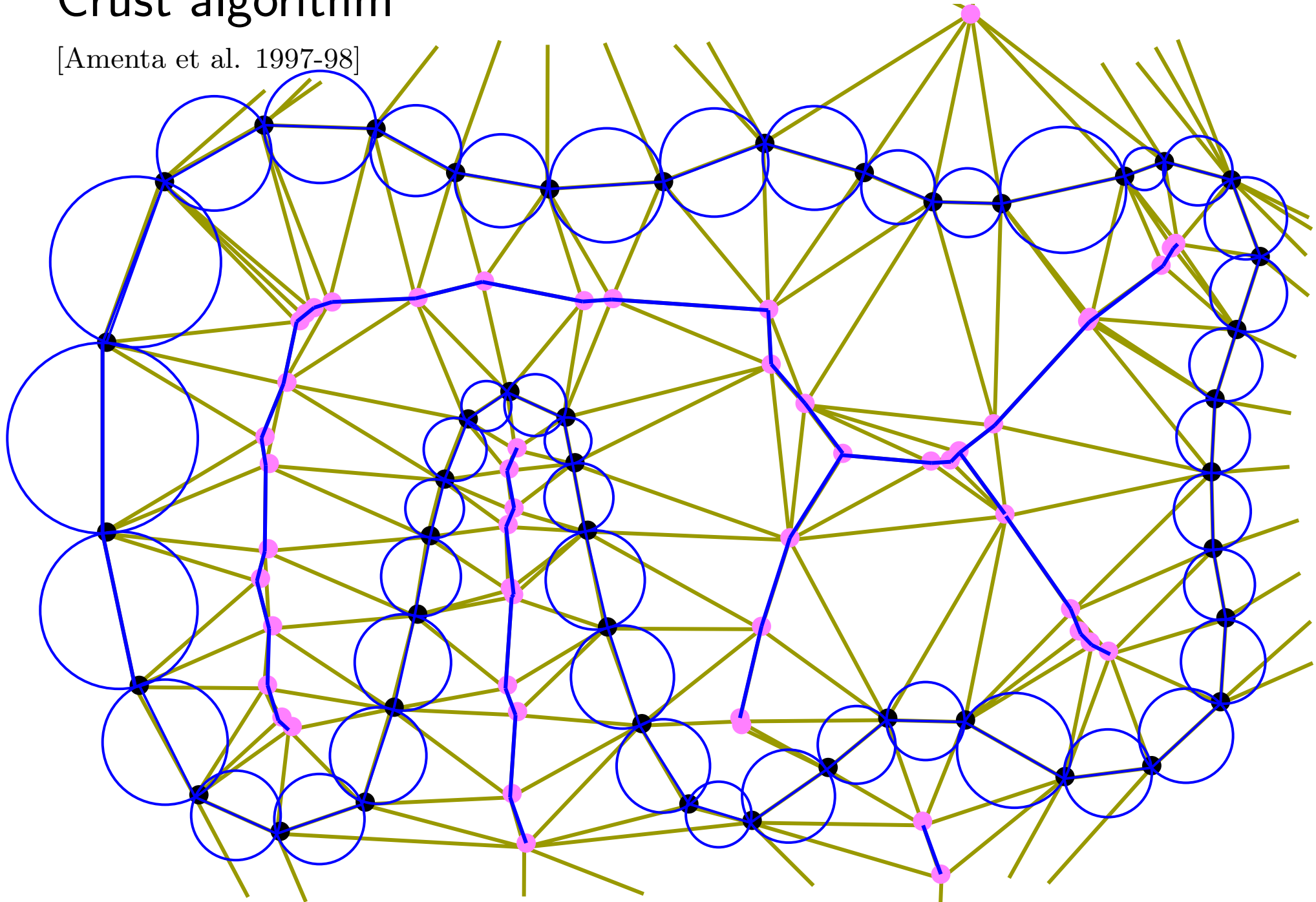
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⇒ manifold extraction step in post-processing

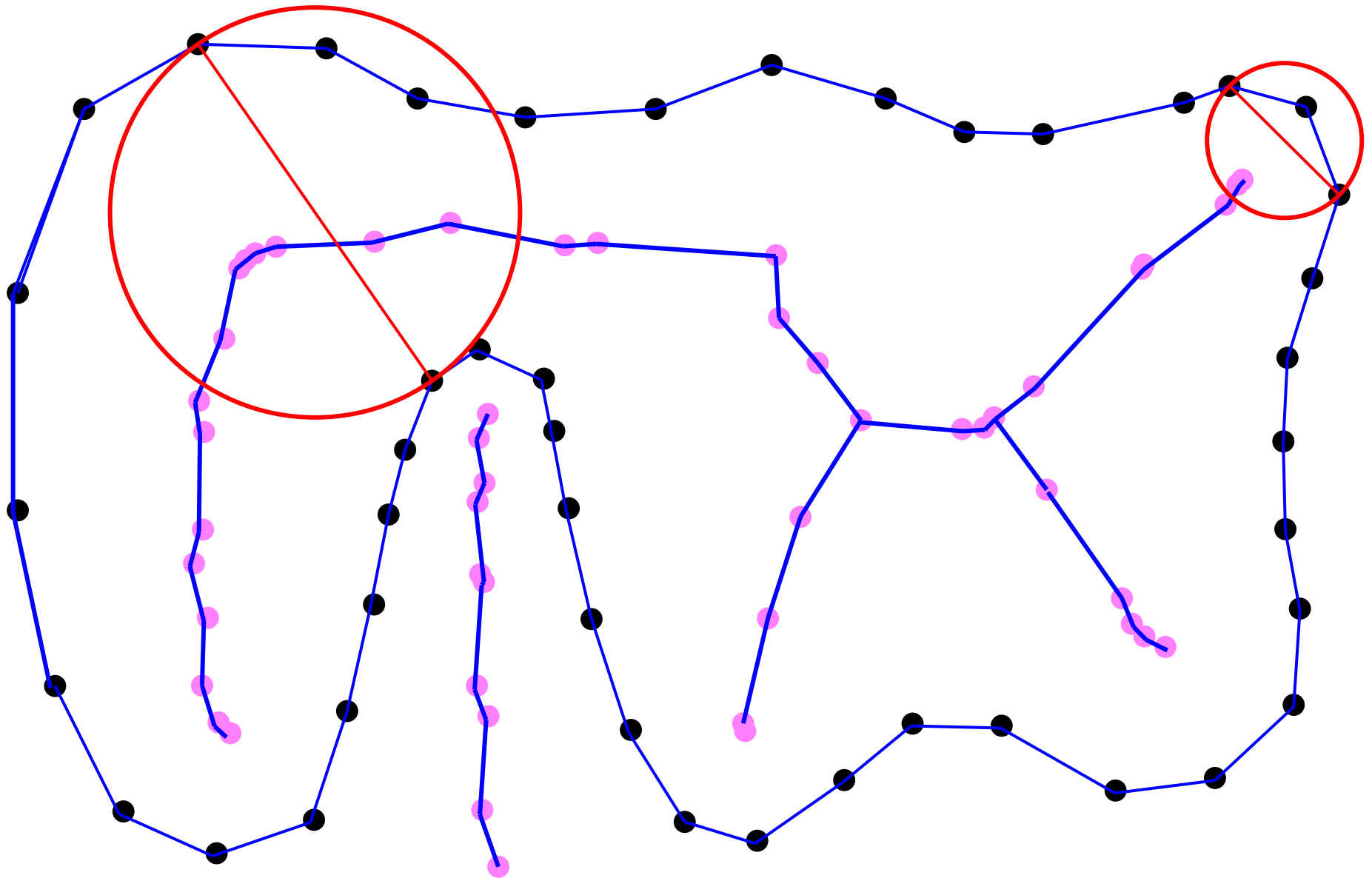


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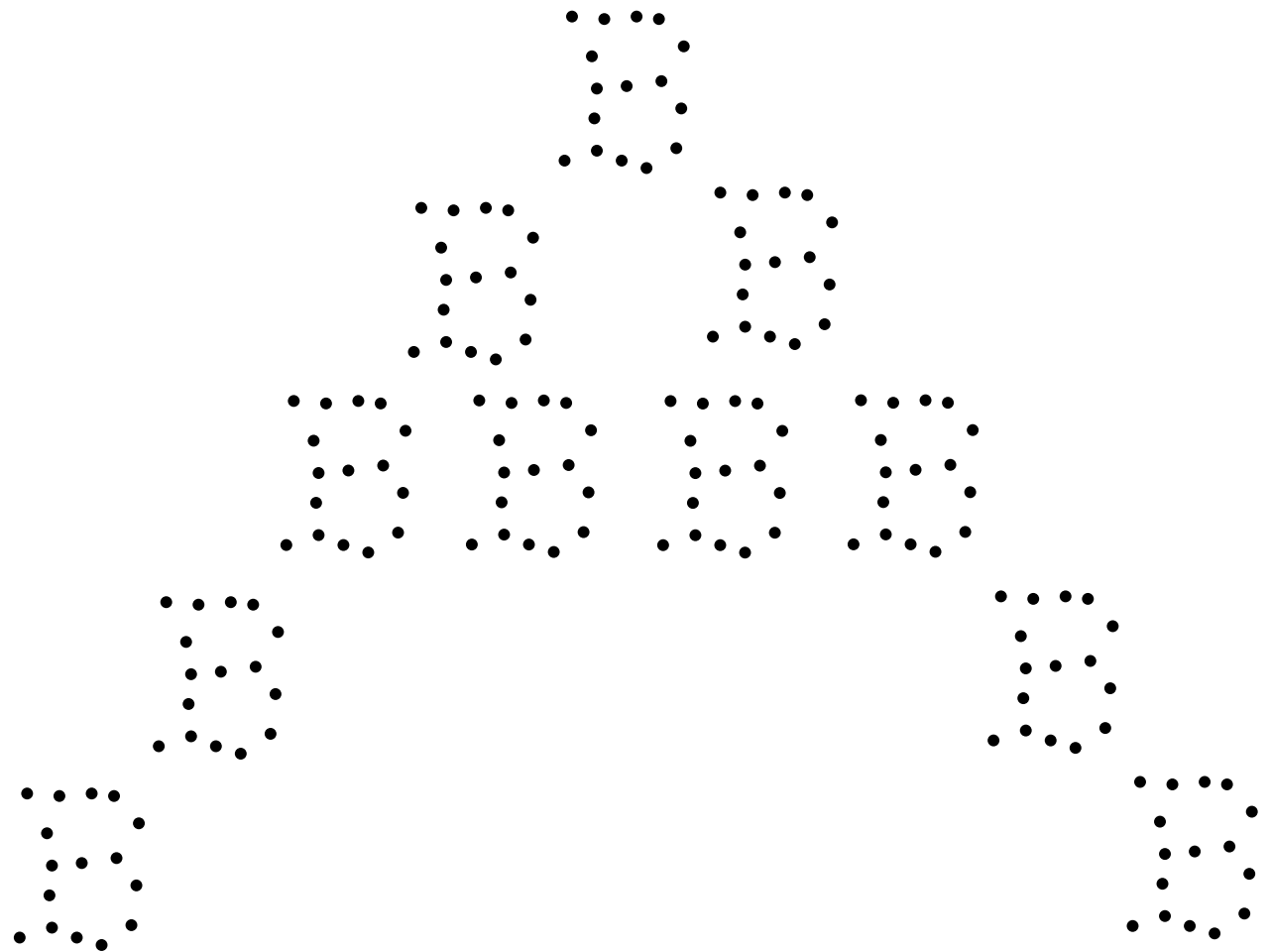
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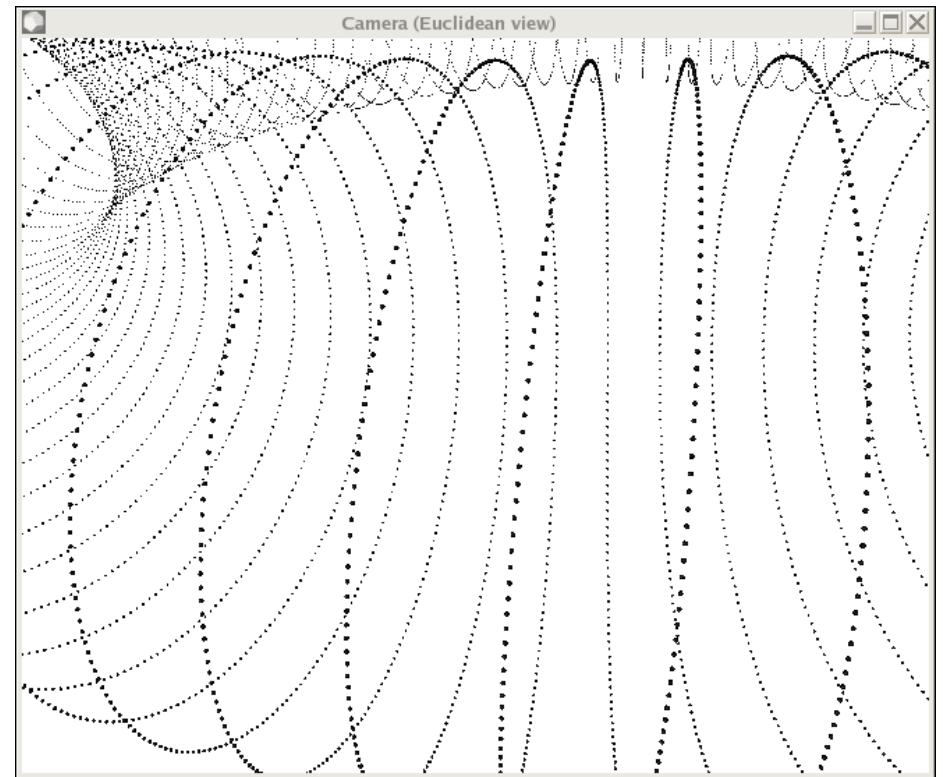
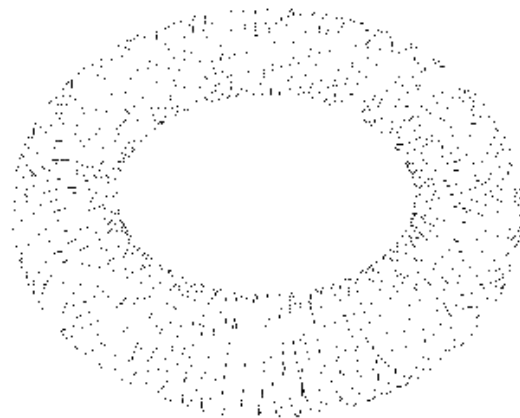
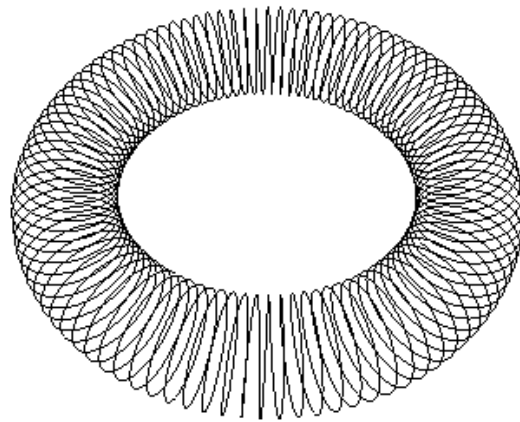
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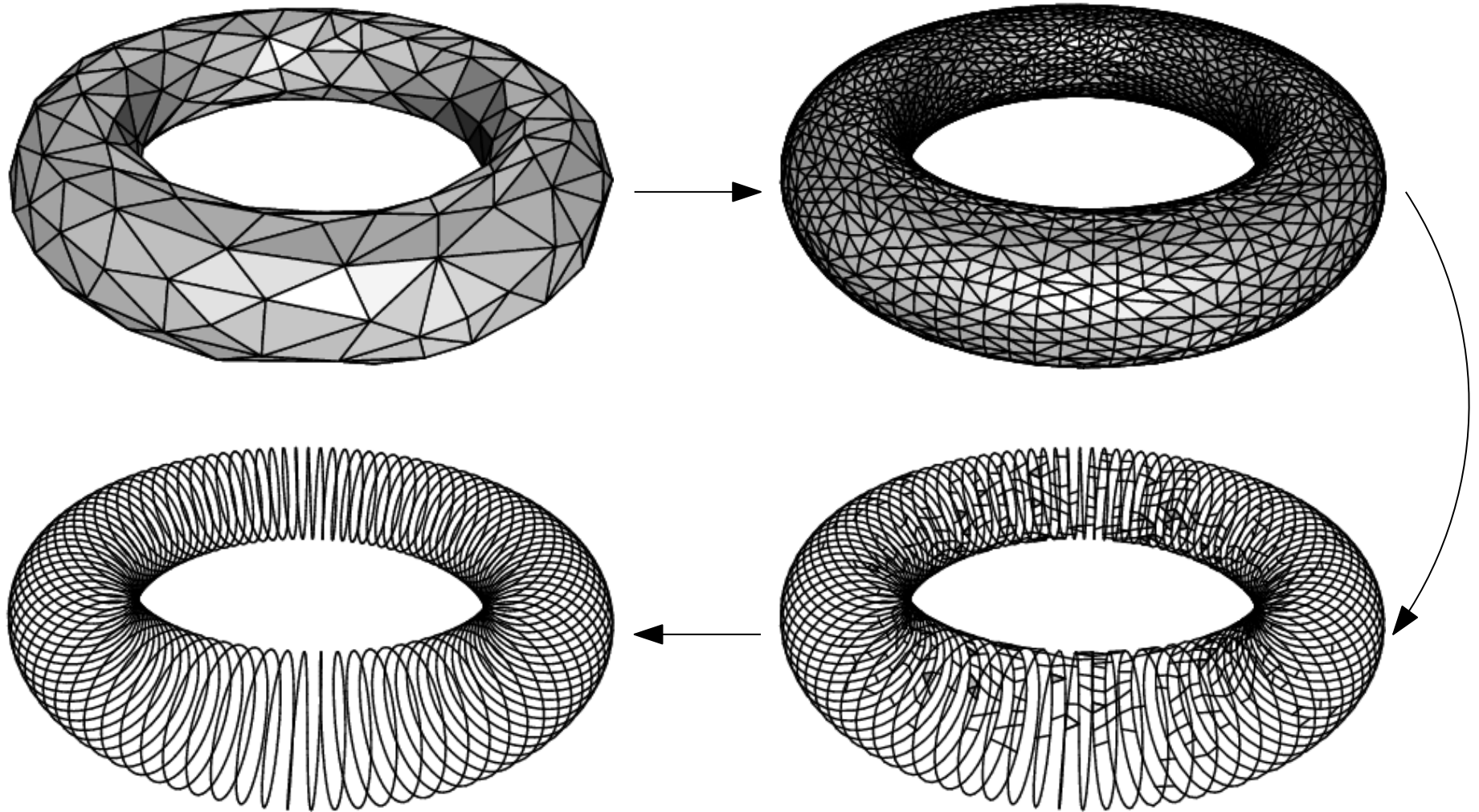
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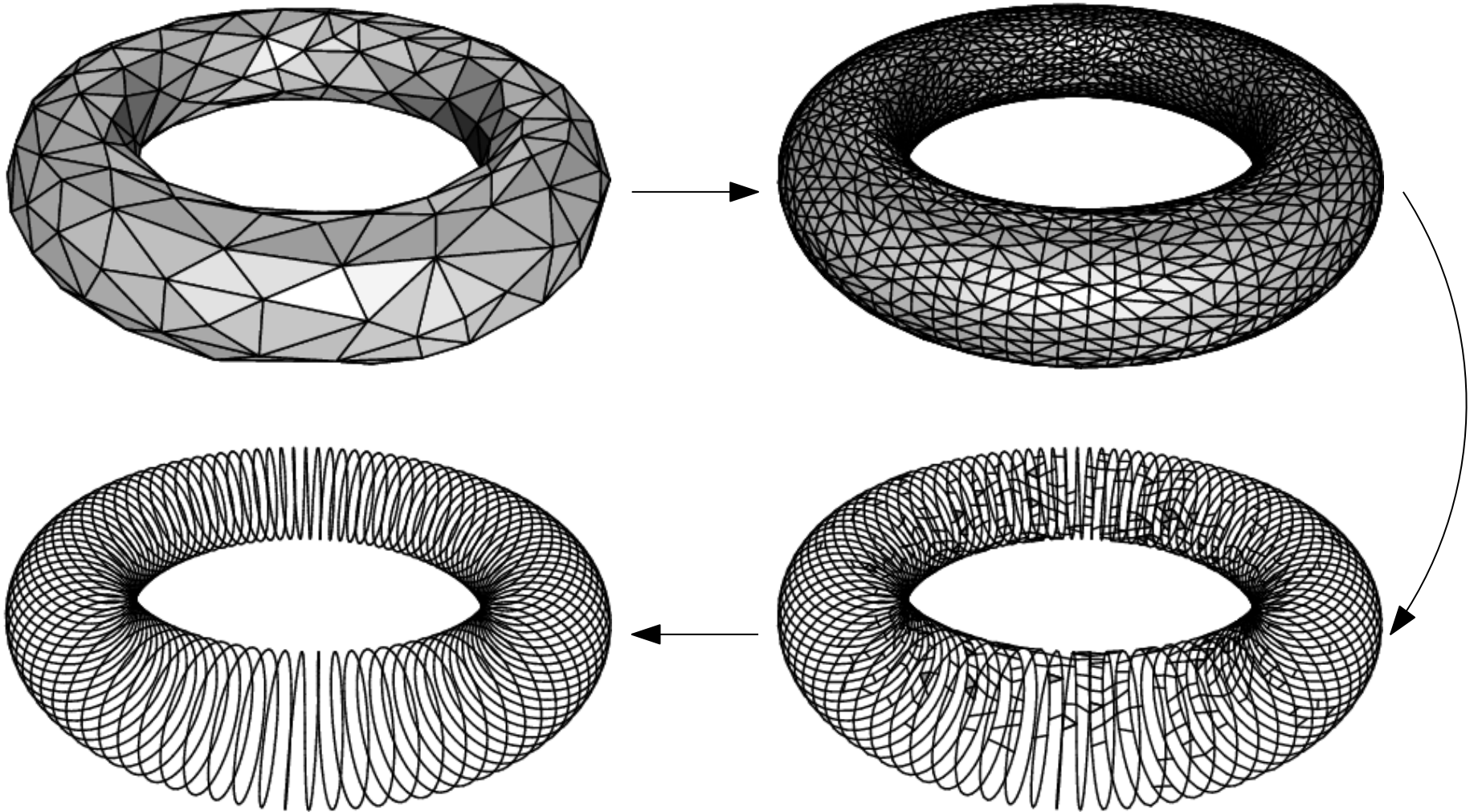
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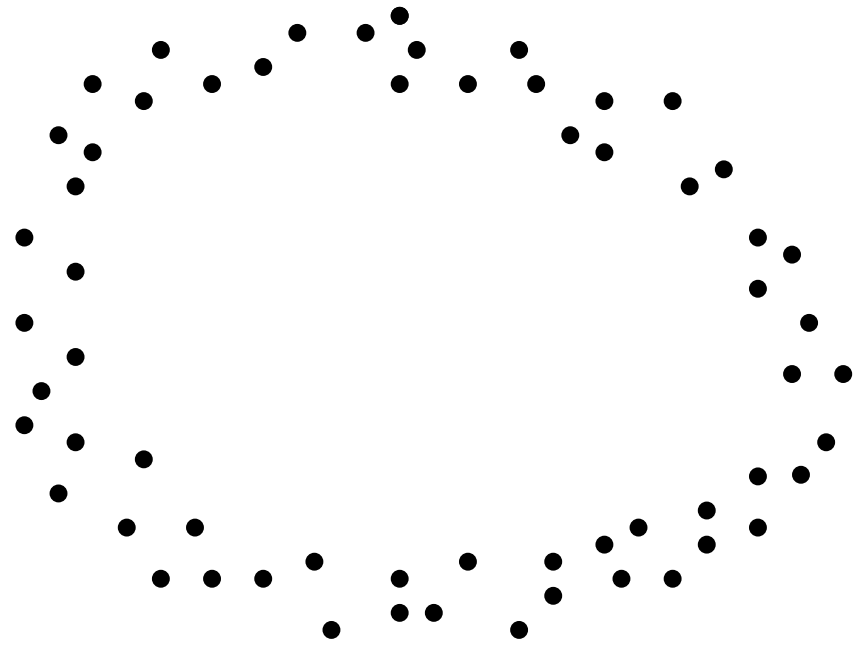


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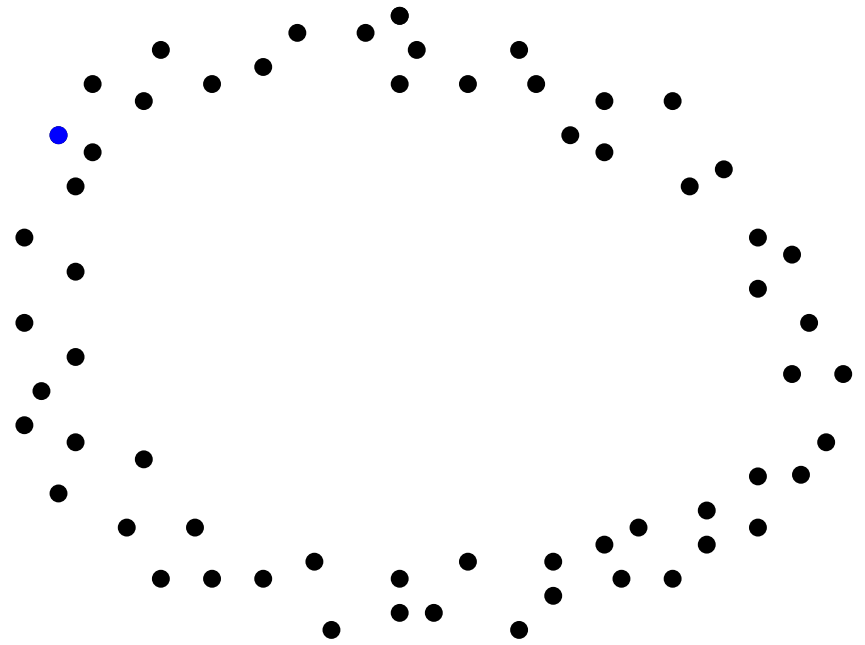


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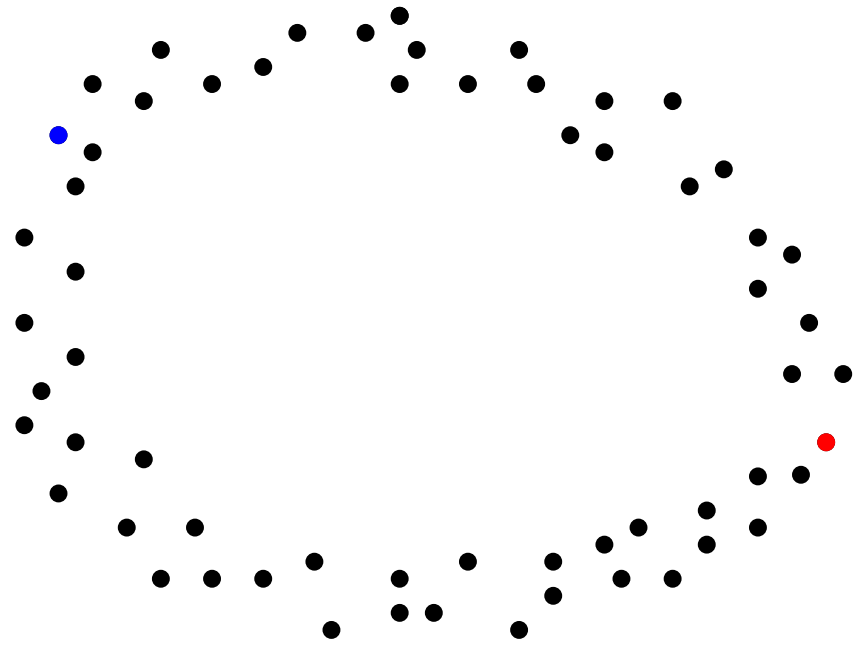
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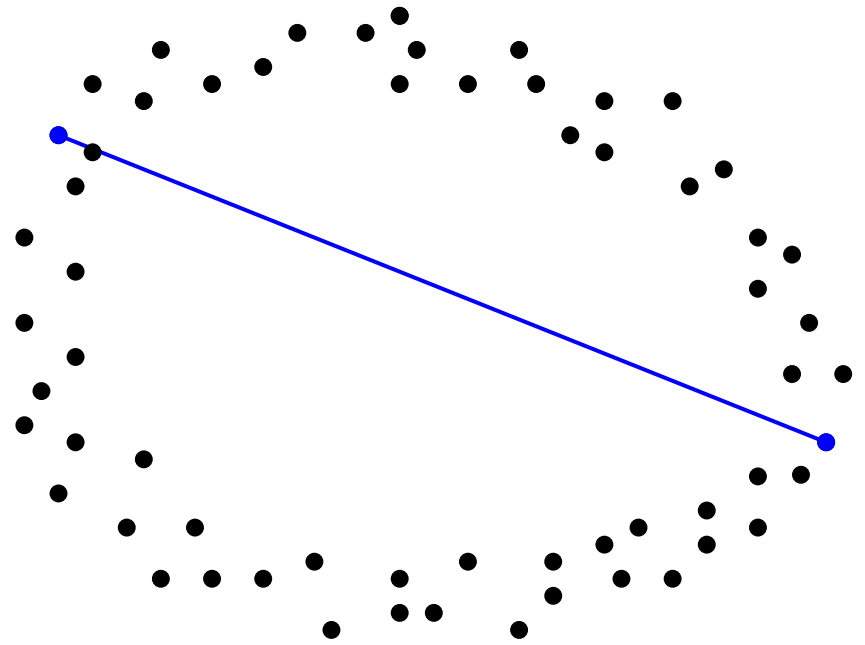
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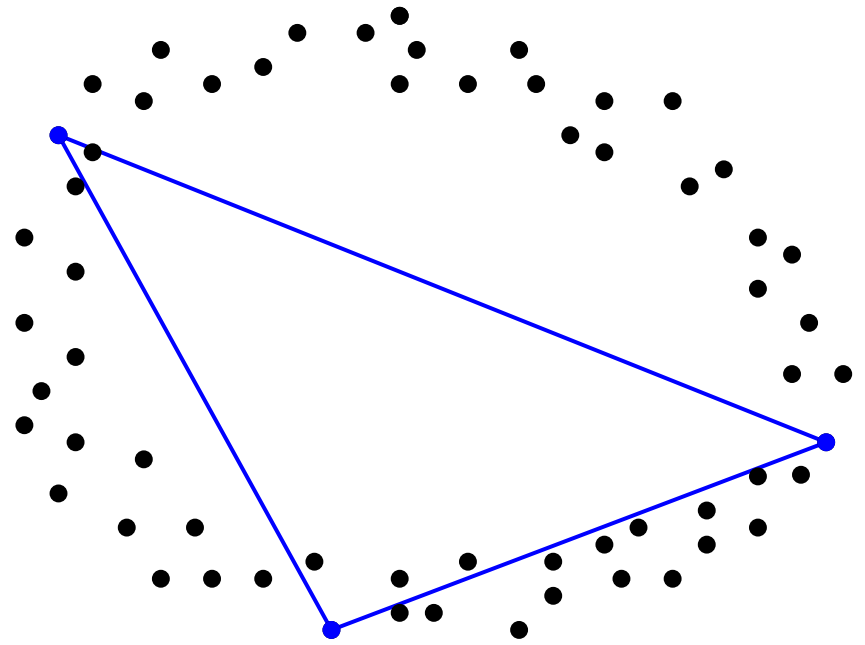
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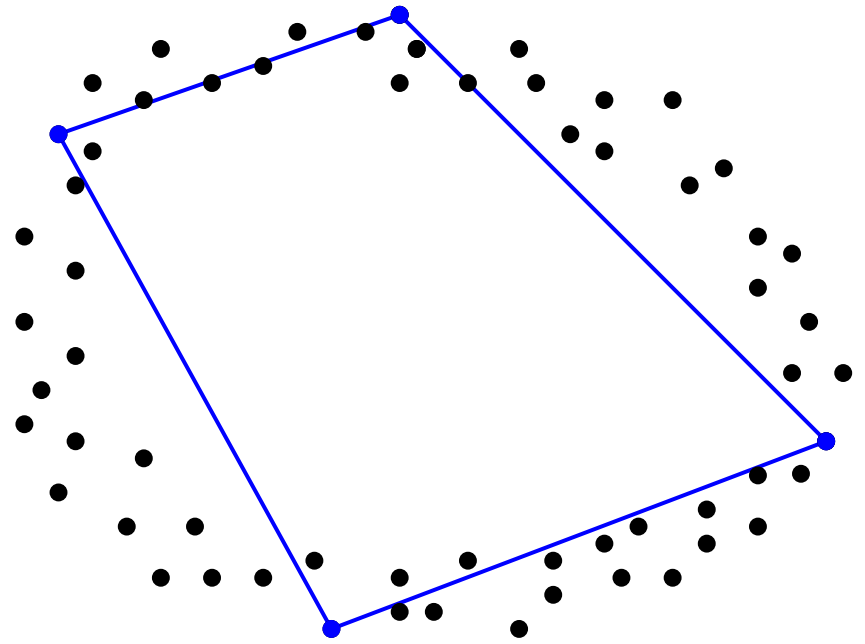
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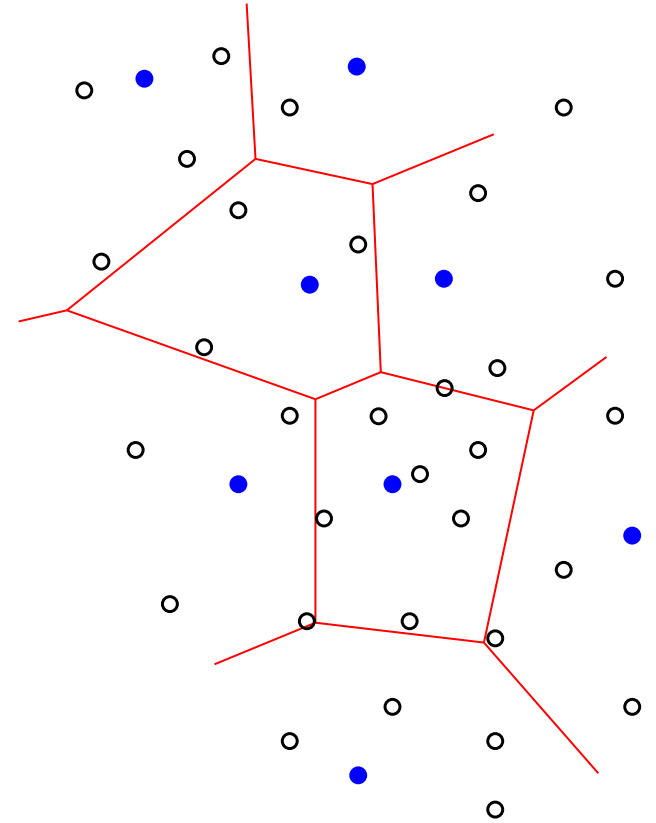
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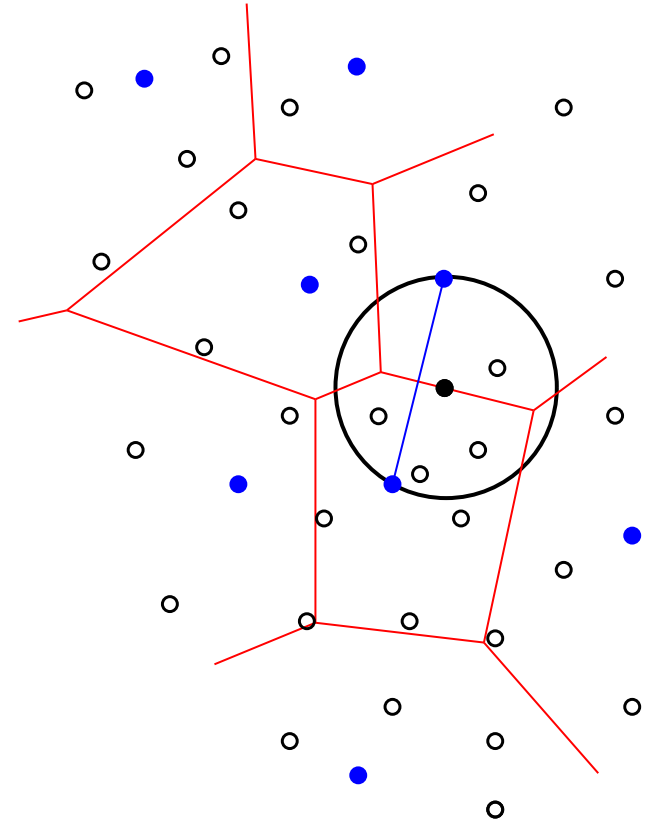


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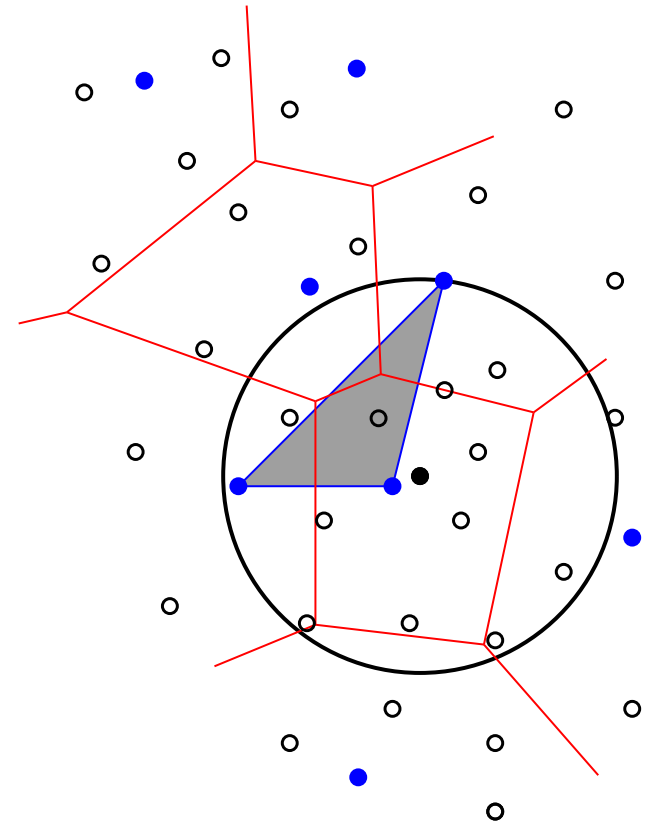
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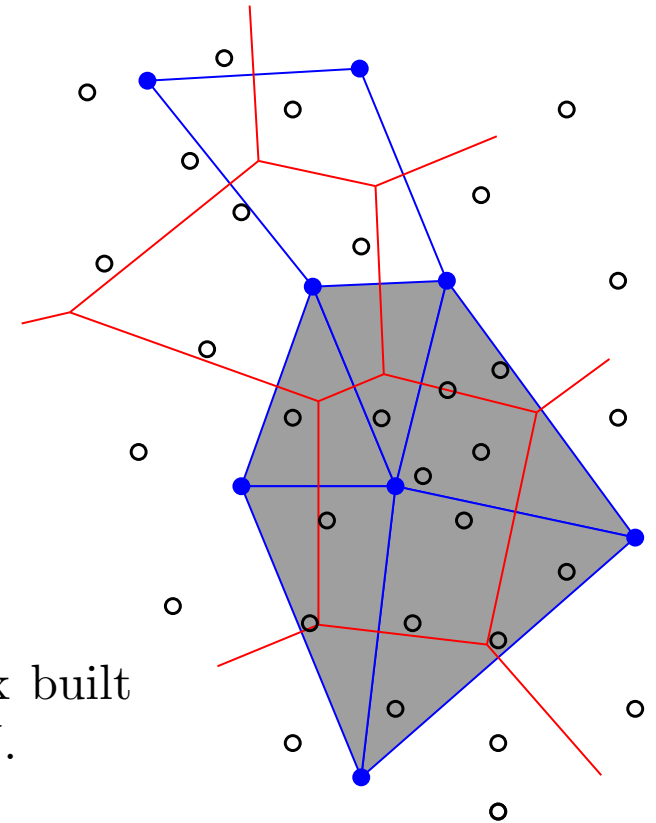
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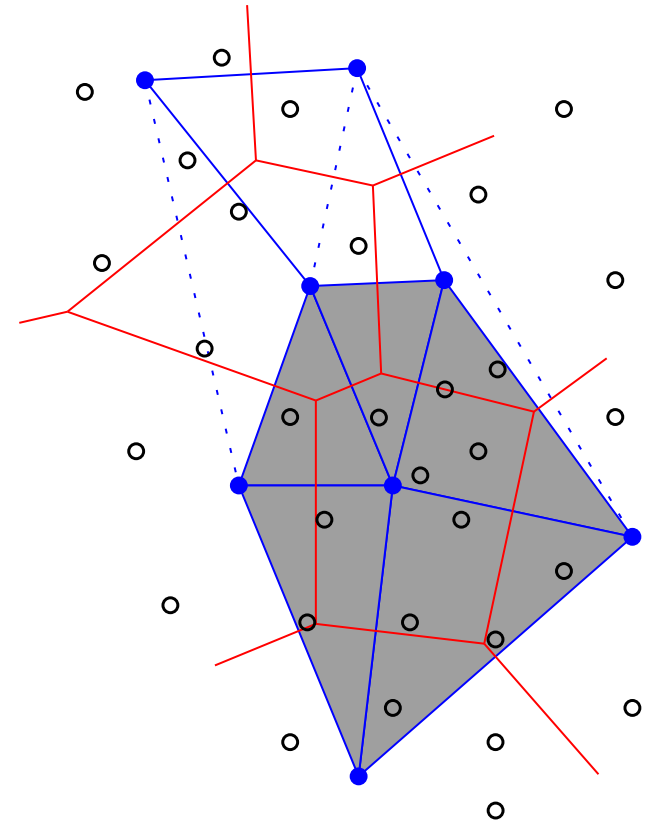


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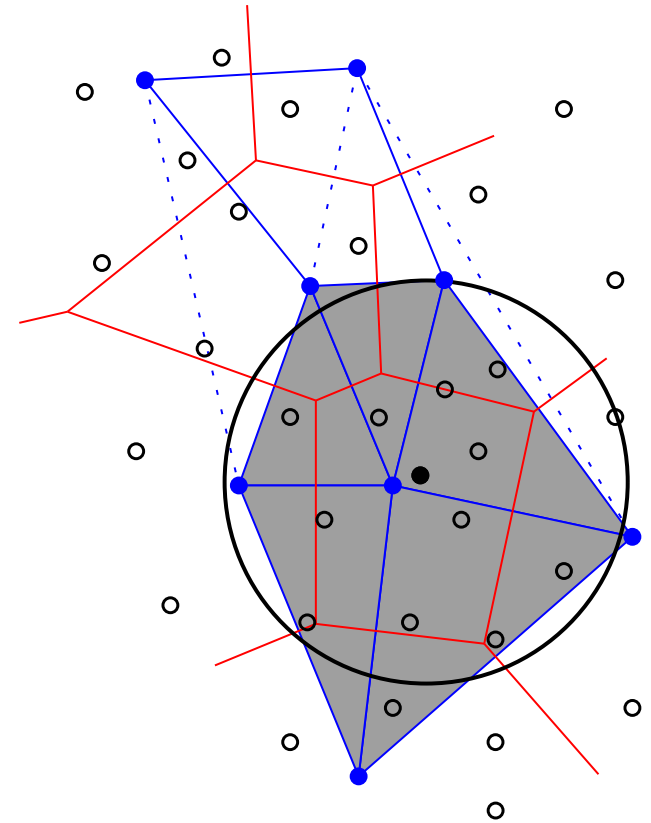
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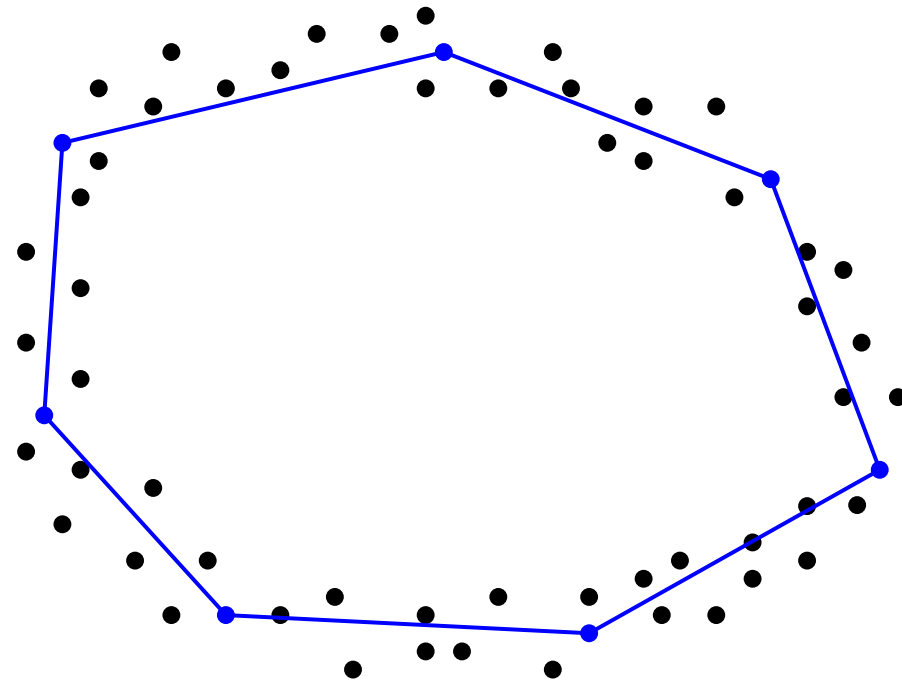
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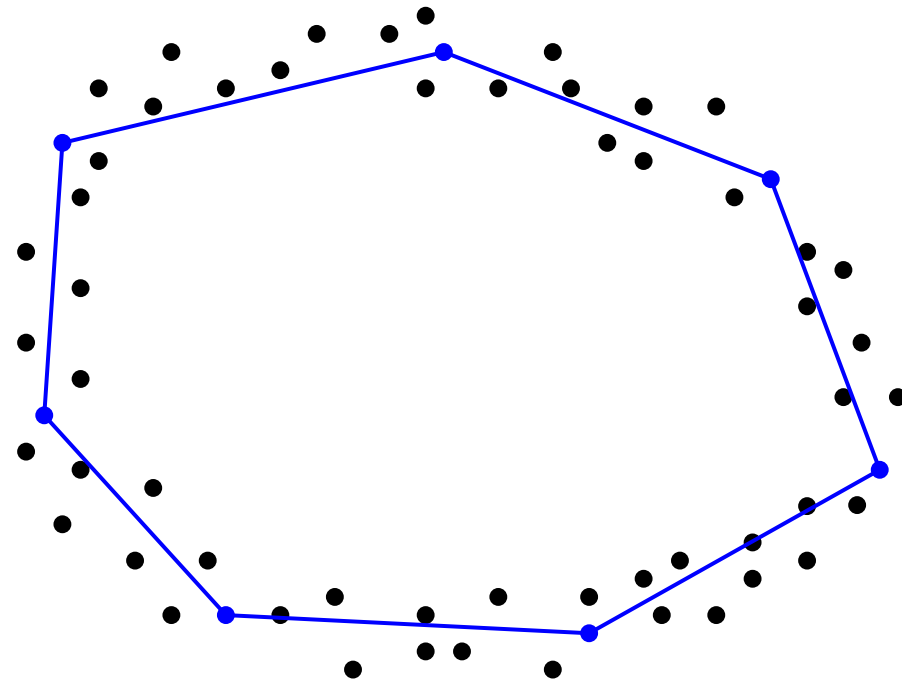


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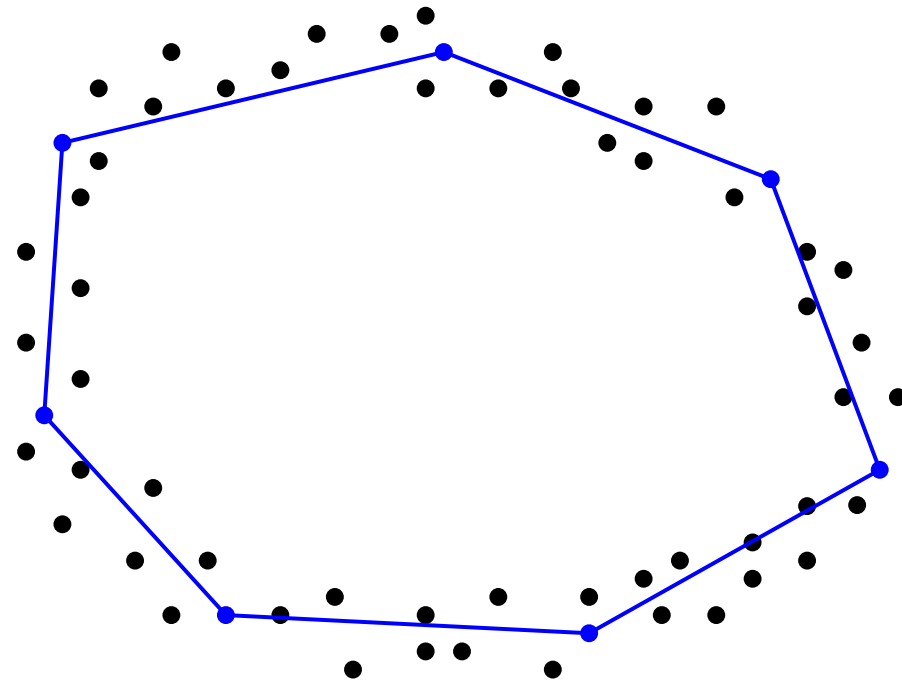
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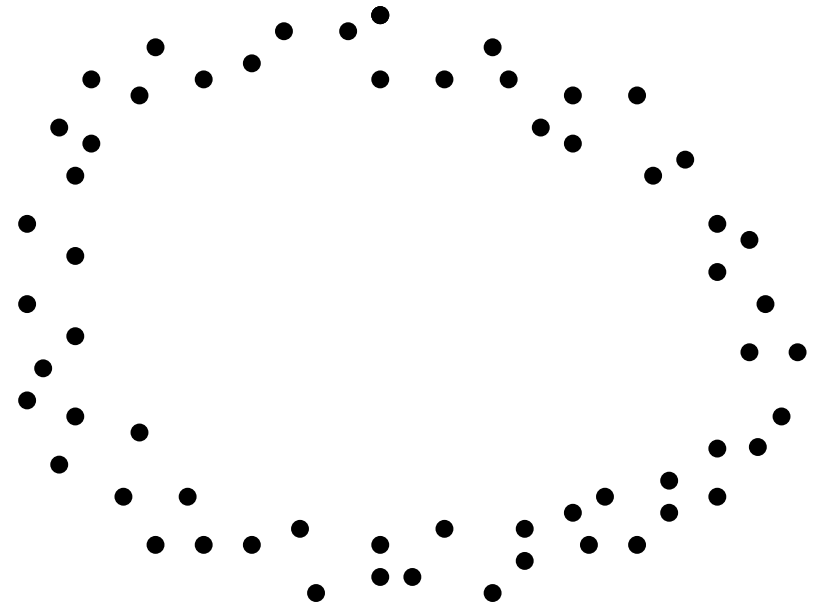
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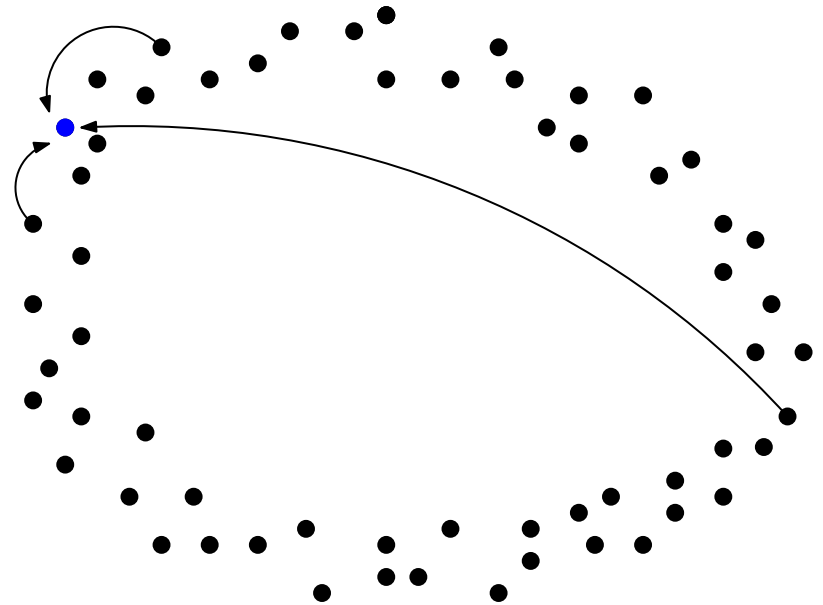


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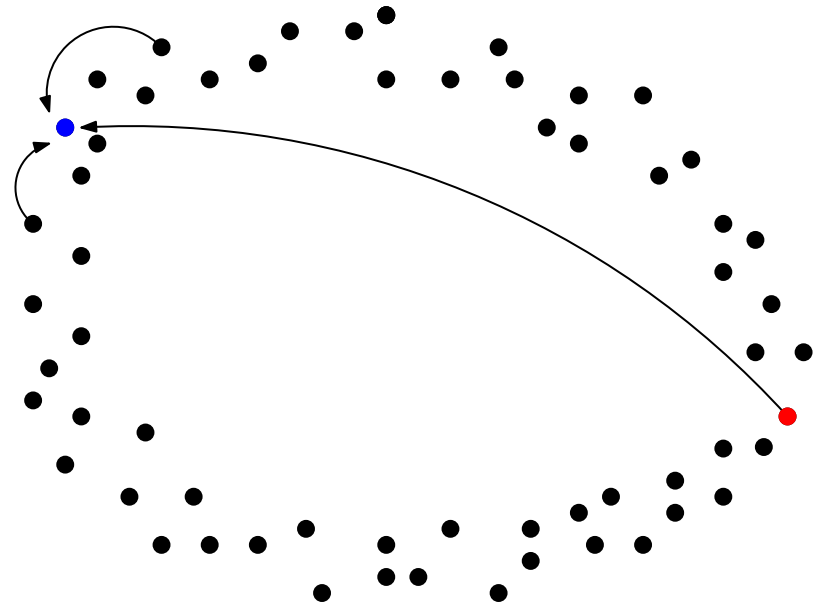
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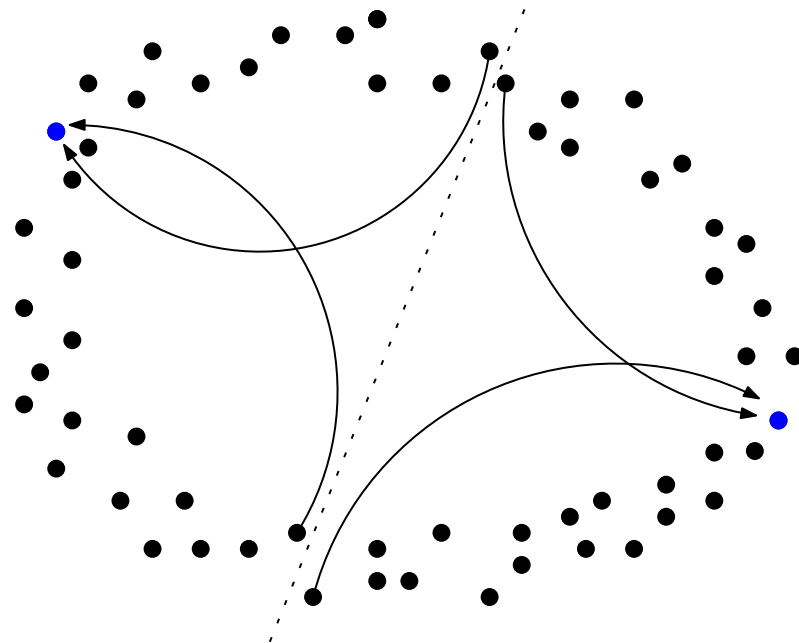
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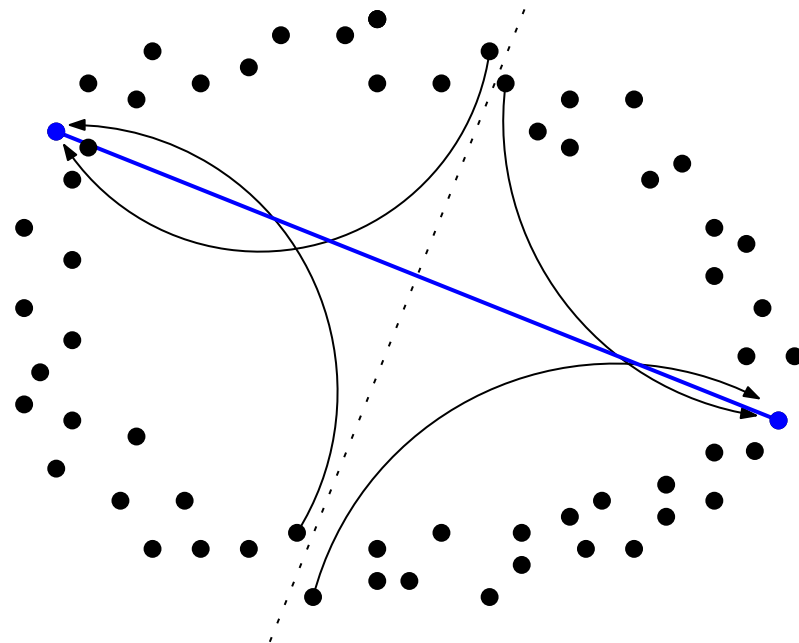
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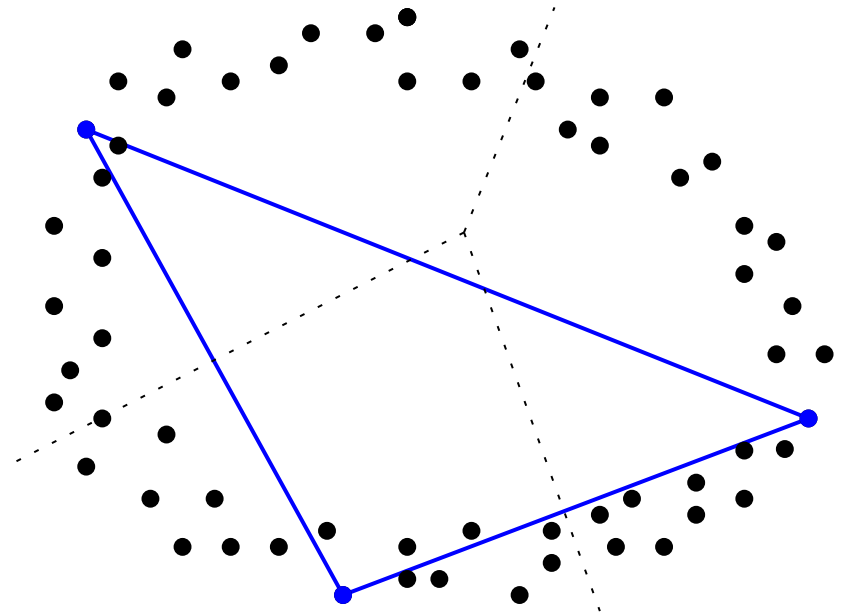
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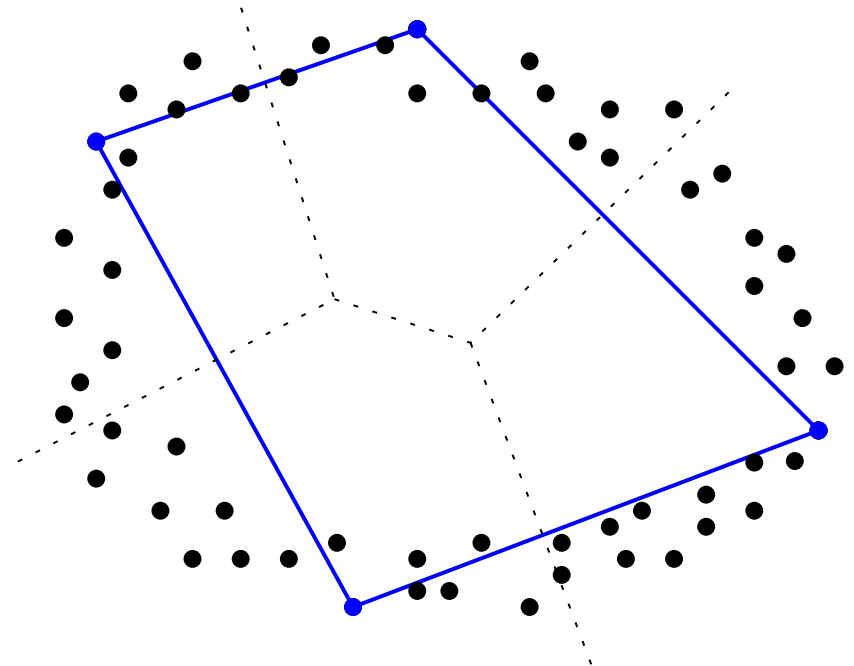
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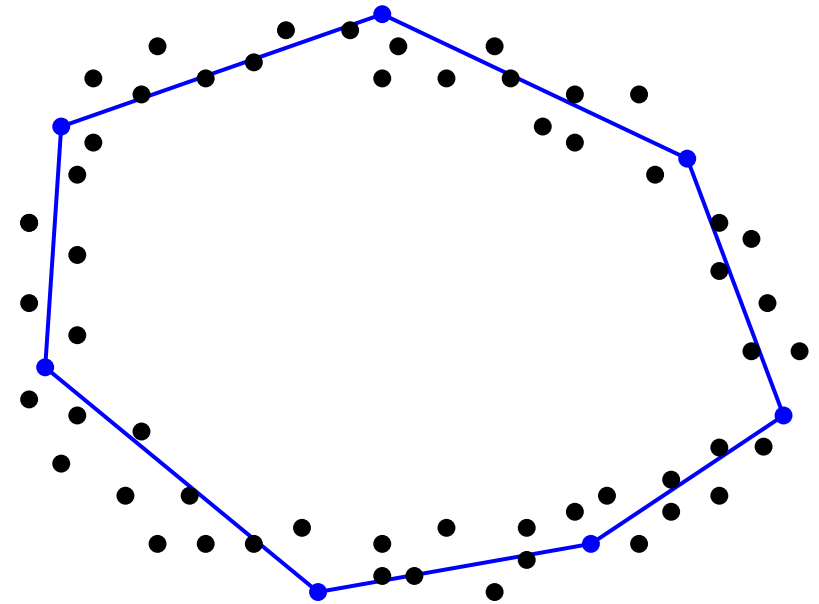
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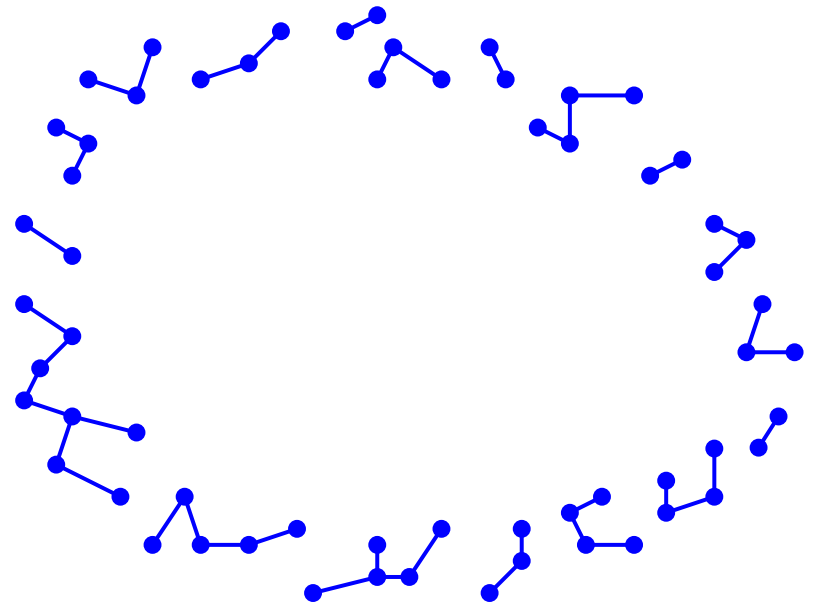


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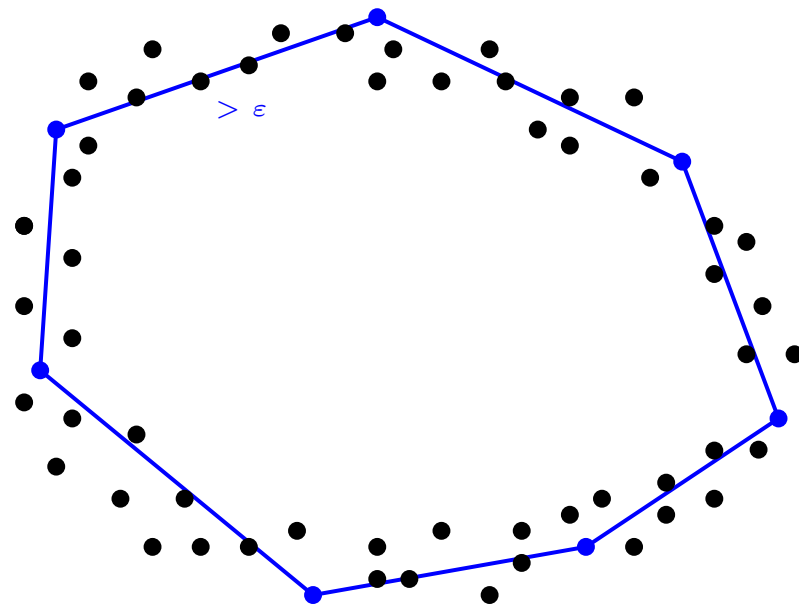
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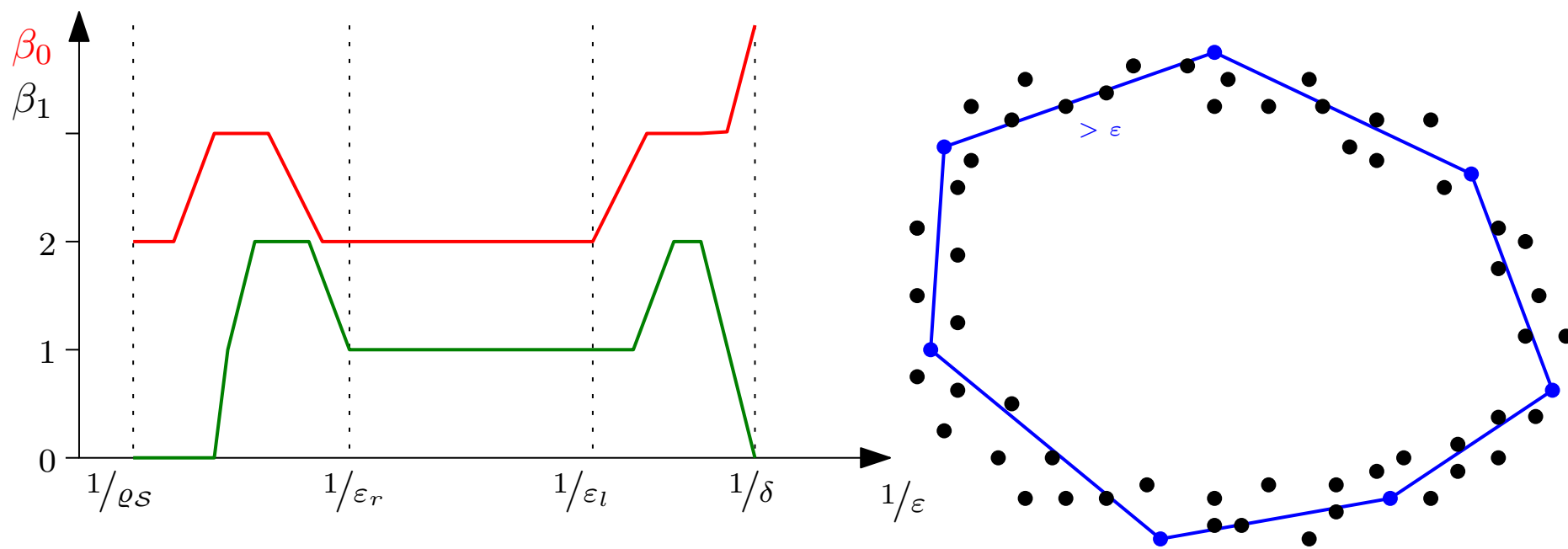
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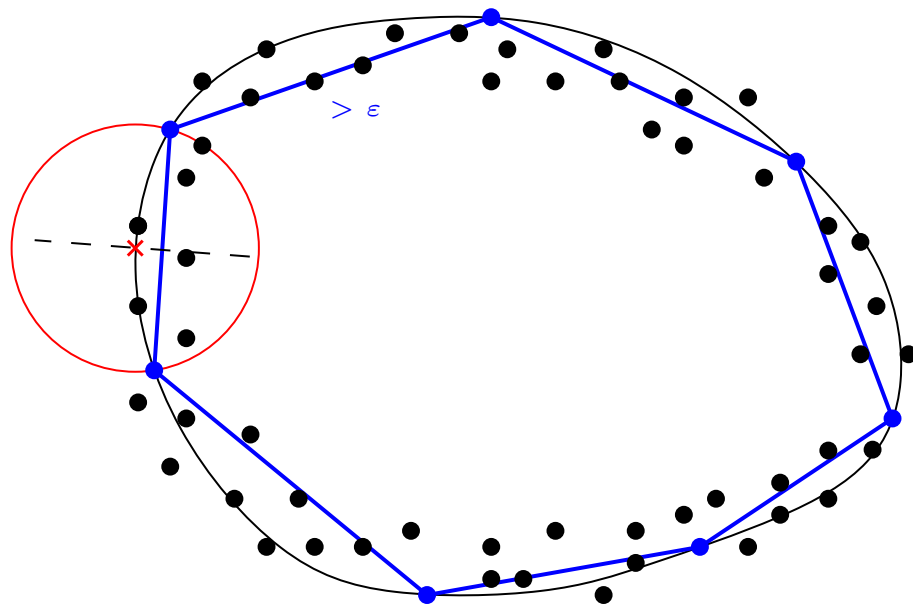
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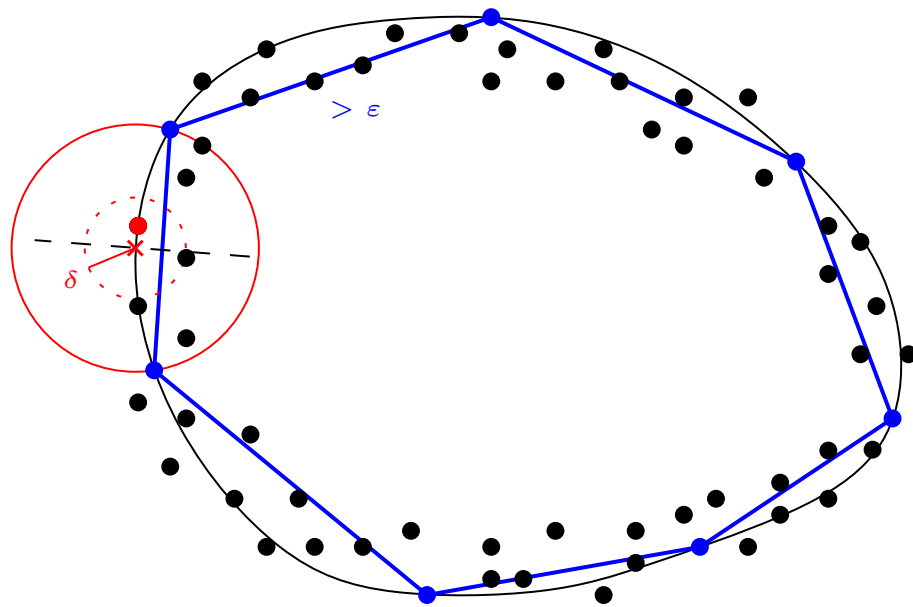


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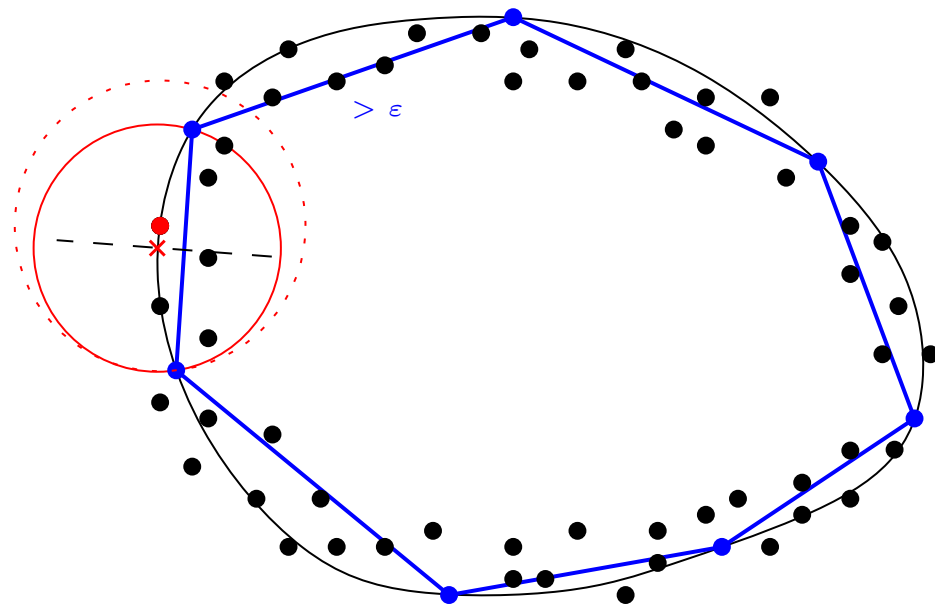


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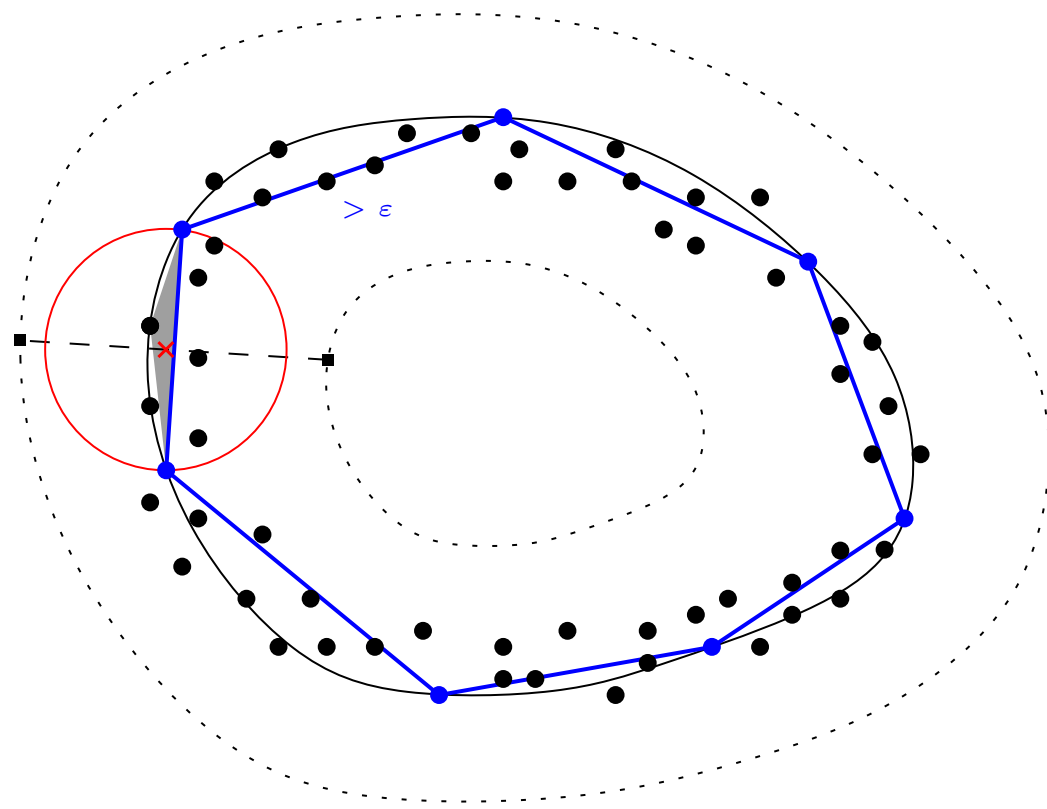
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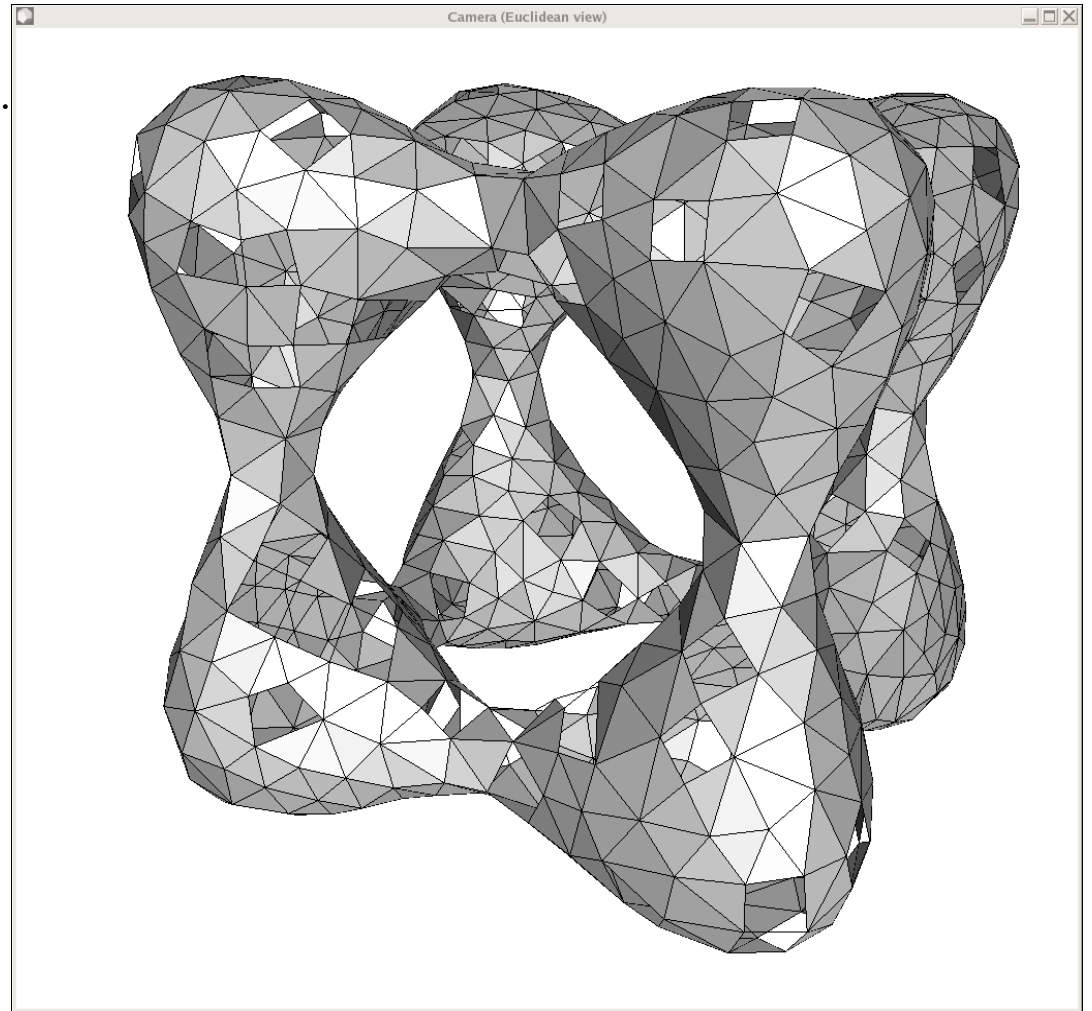
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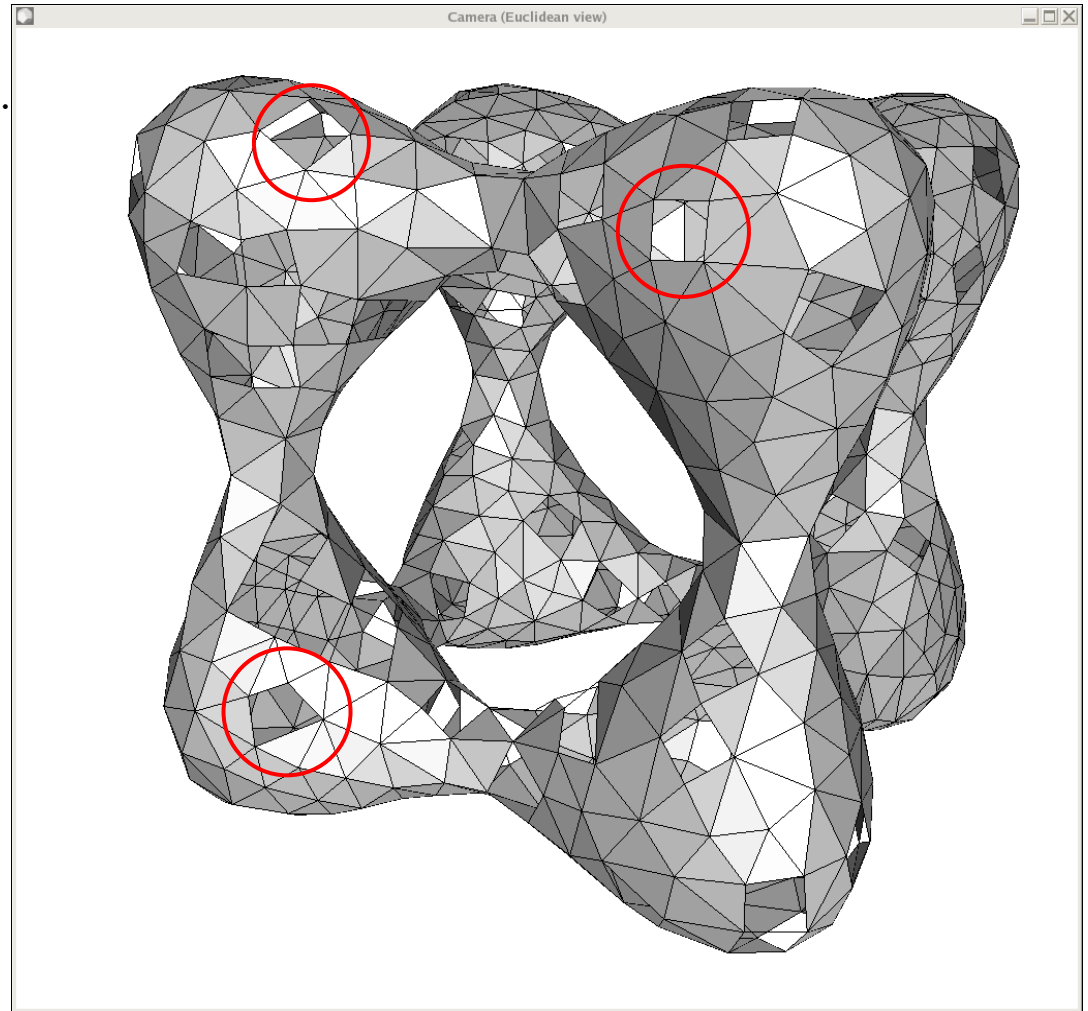
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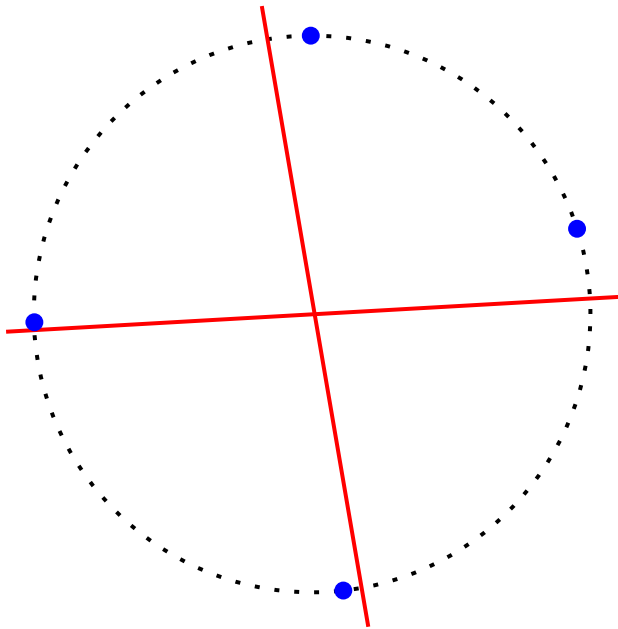
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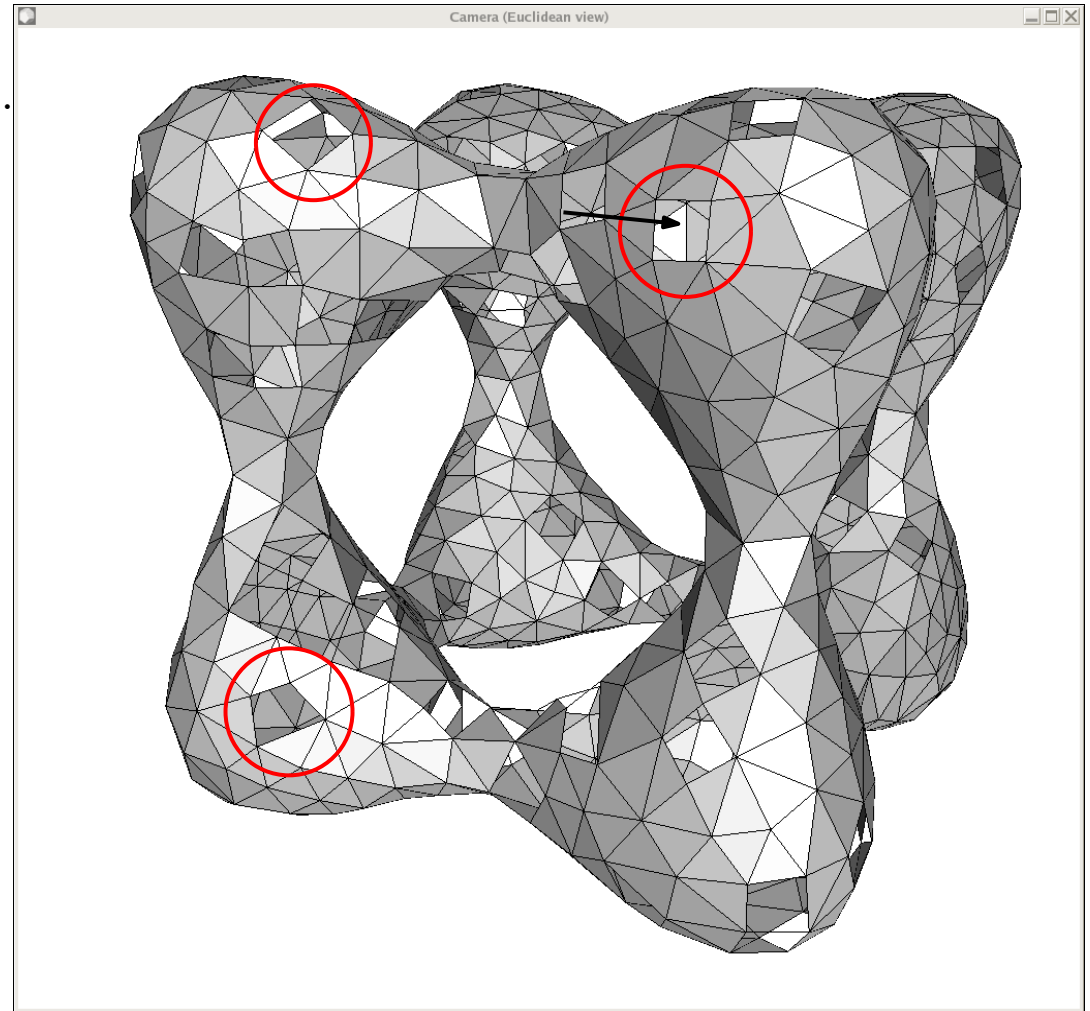
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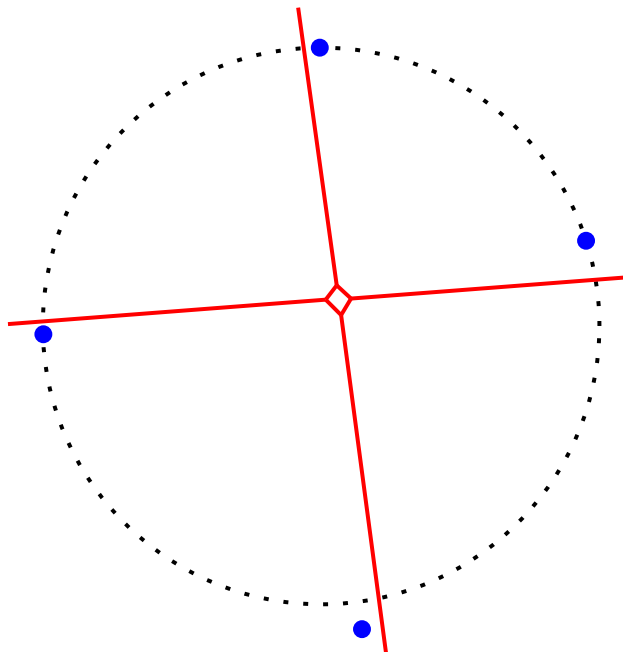
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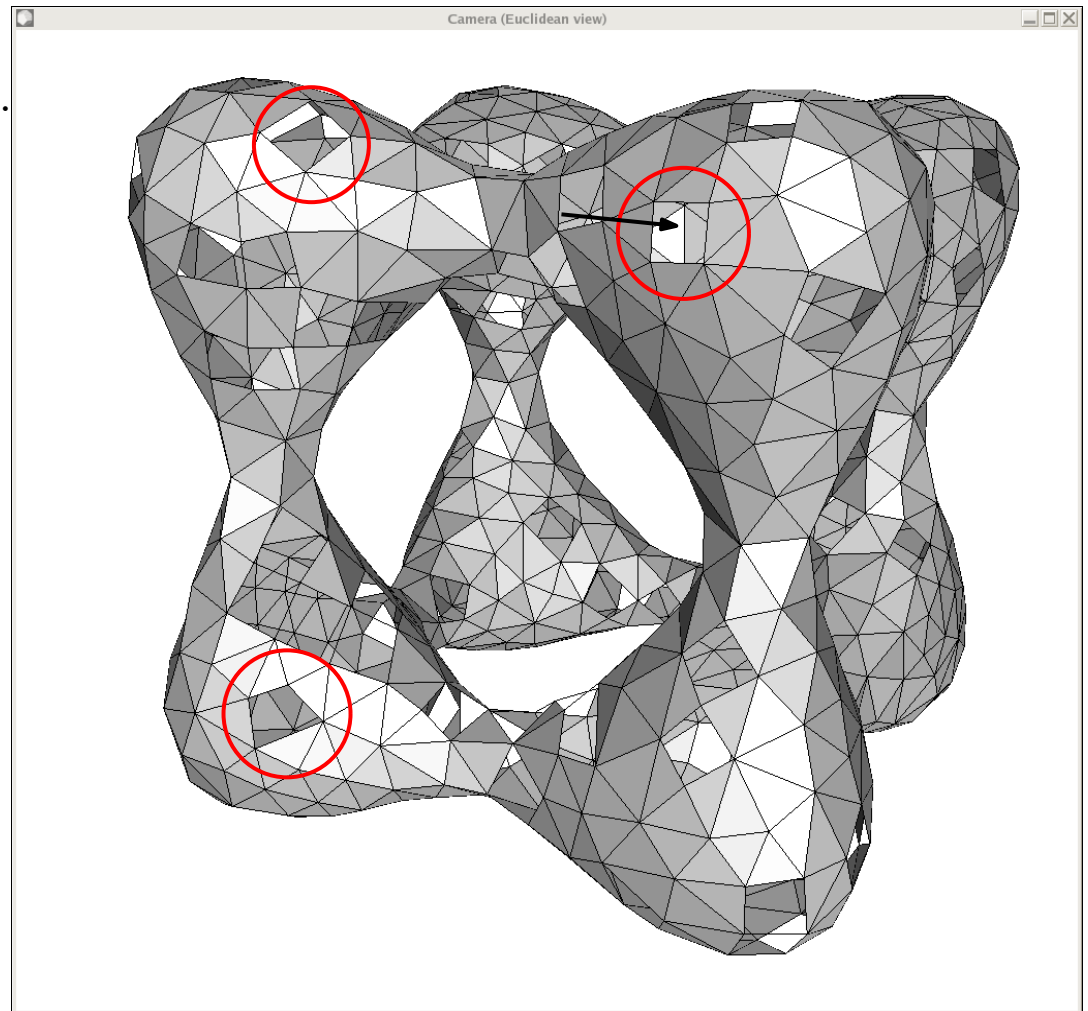
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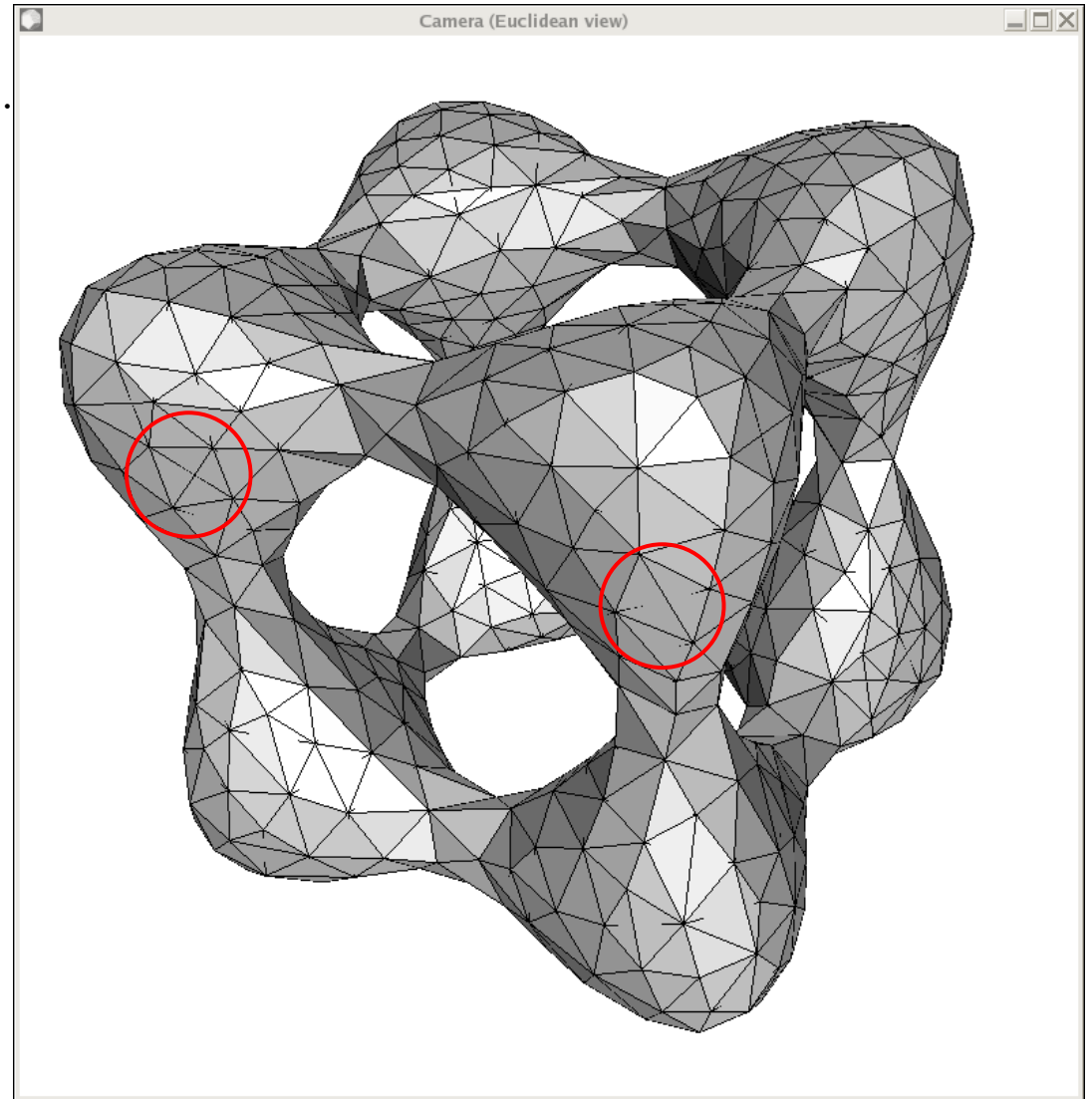
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$$\Rightarrow C_\nu^W(L) \not\subseteq \text{Del}(L)$$

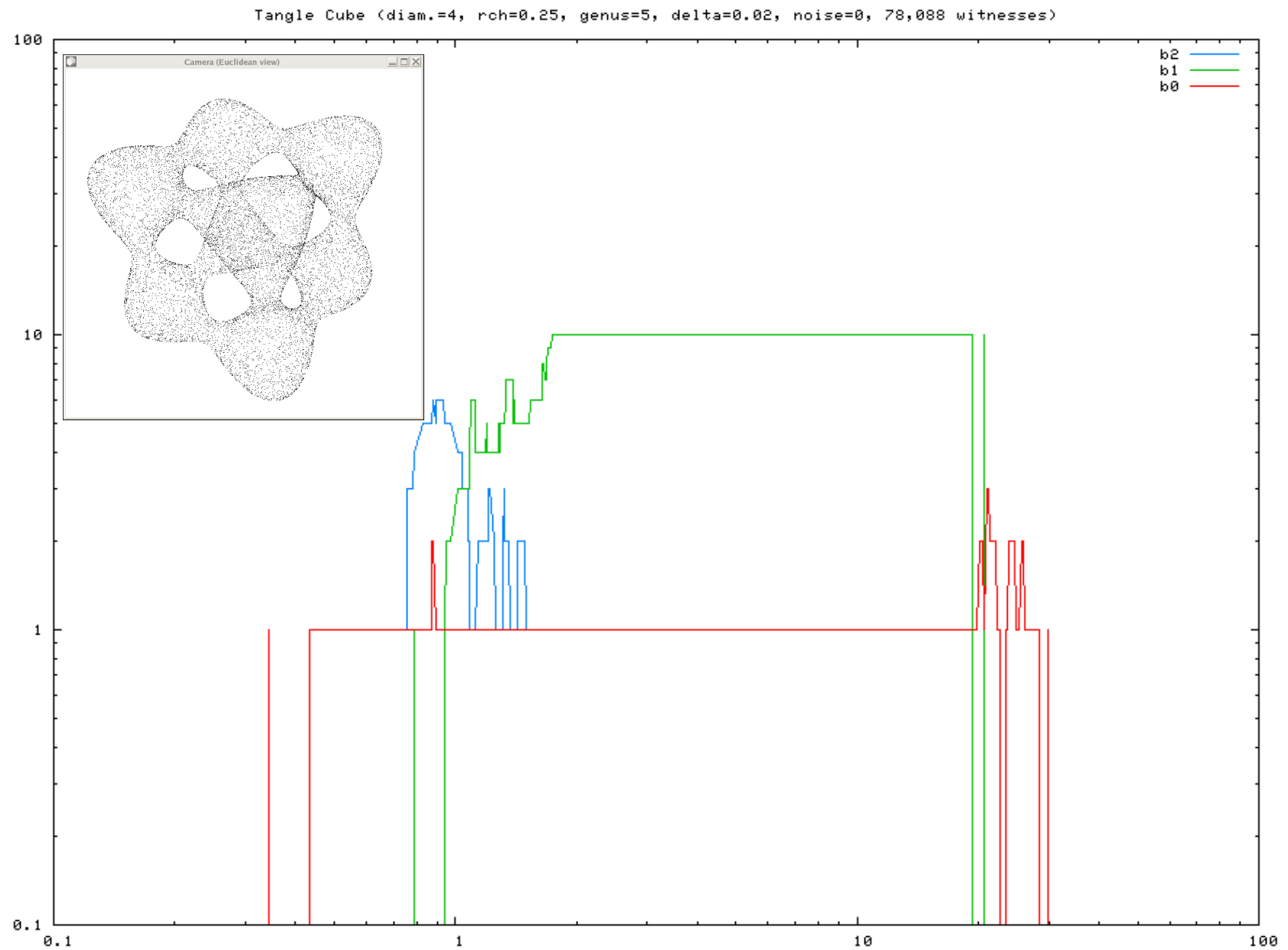
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Post-process extract manifold M
from $C_\nu^W(L) \cap \text{Del}(L)$

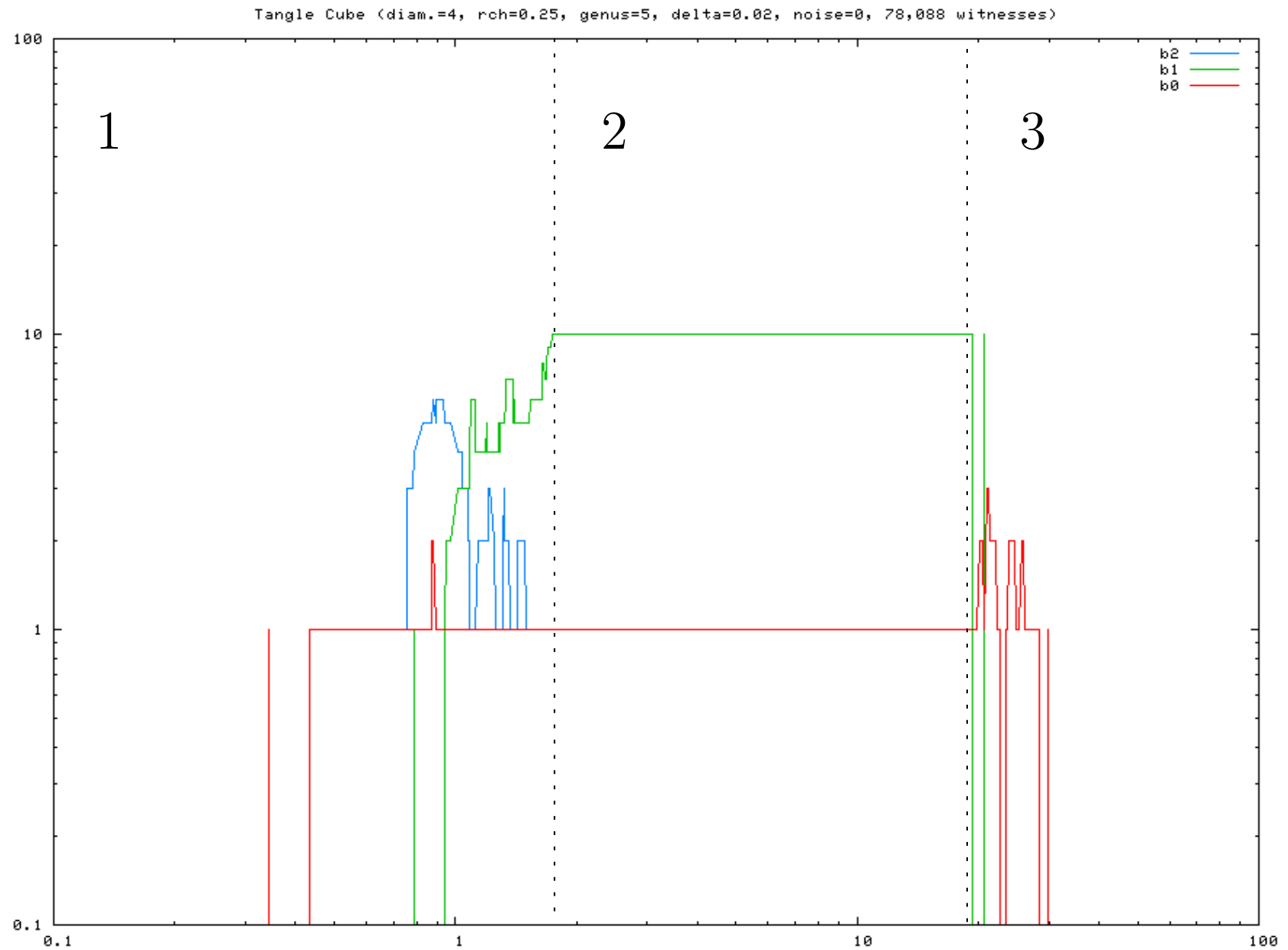
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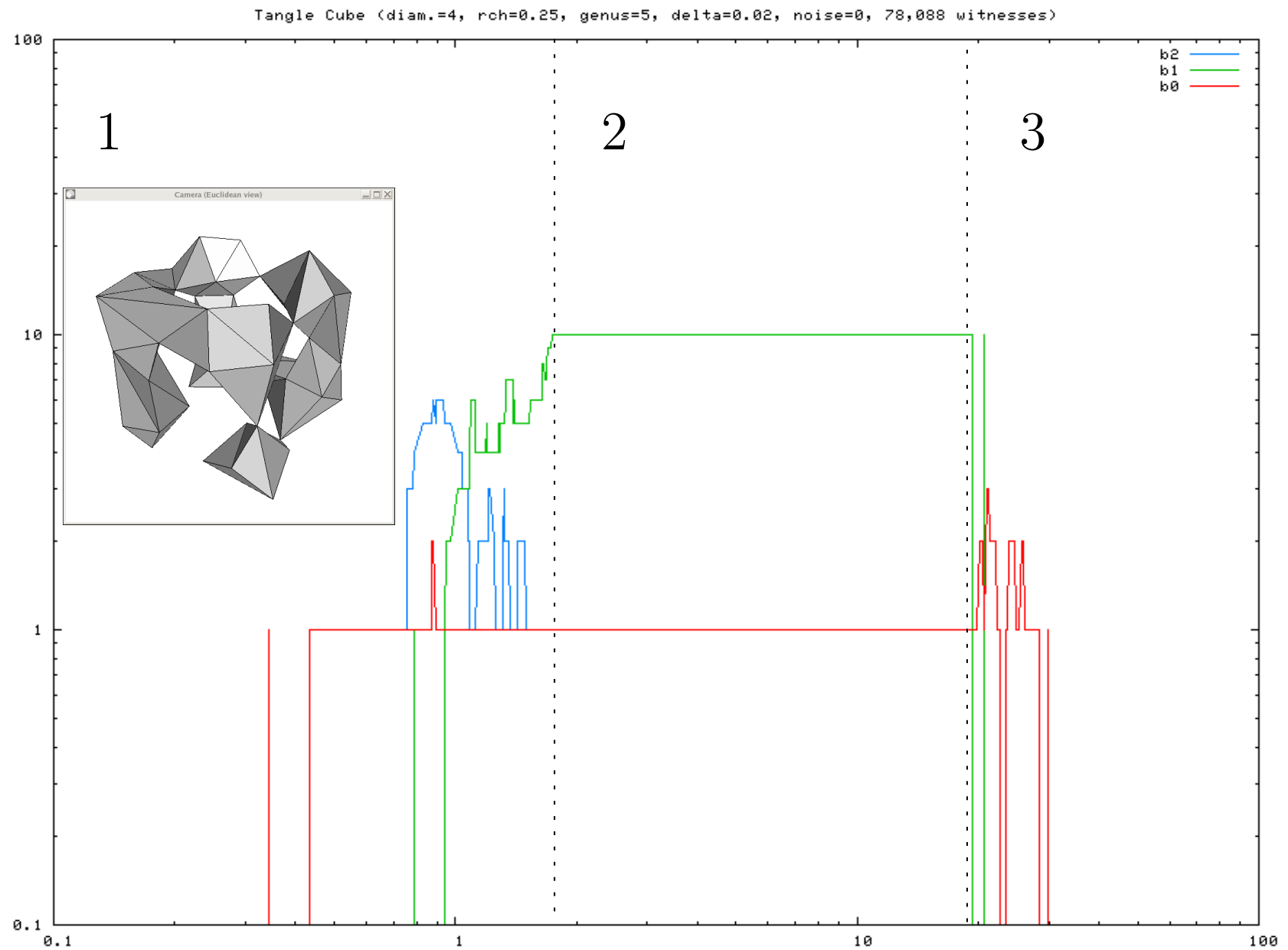
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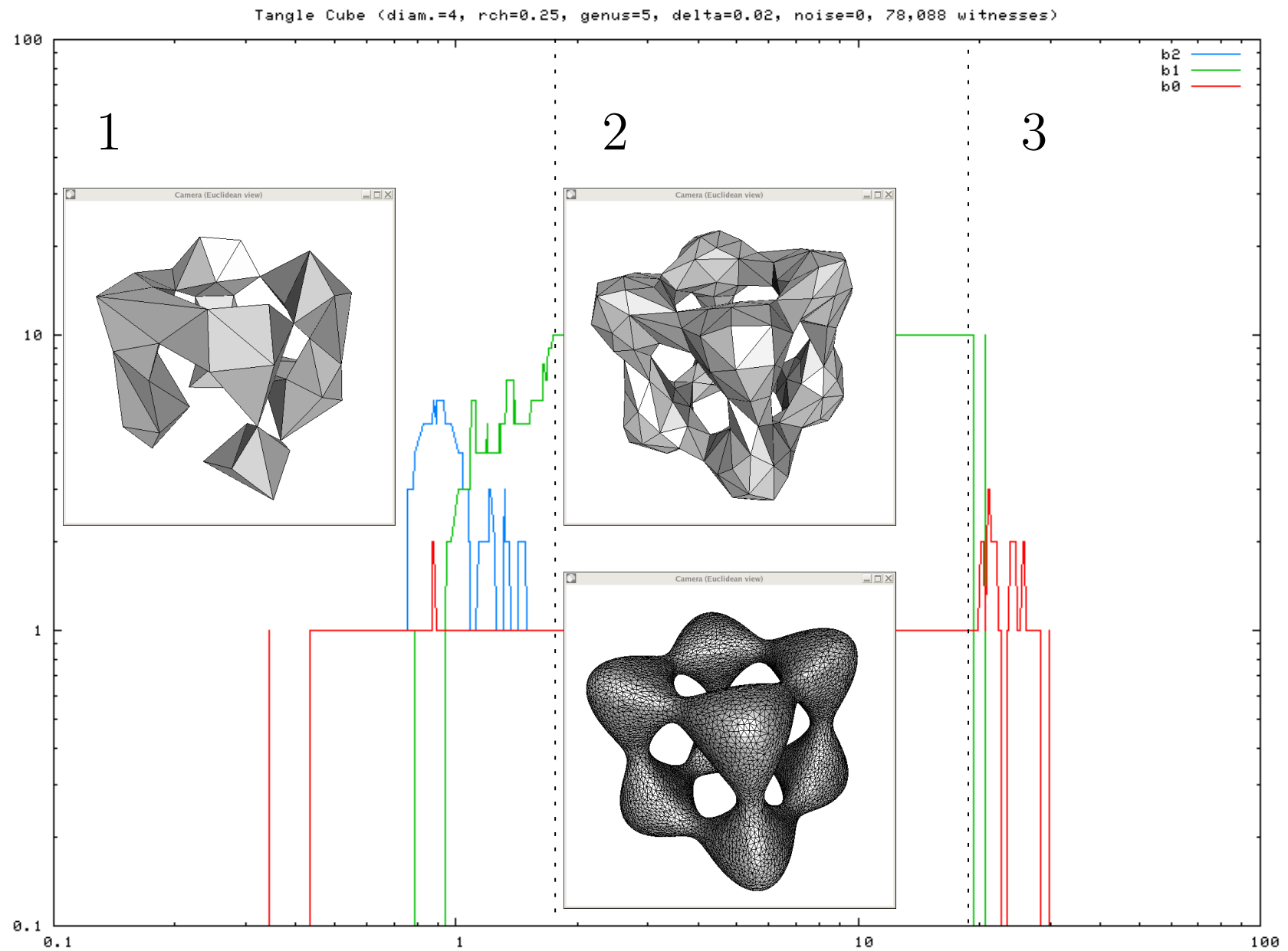
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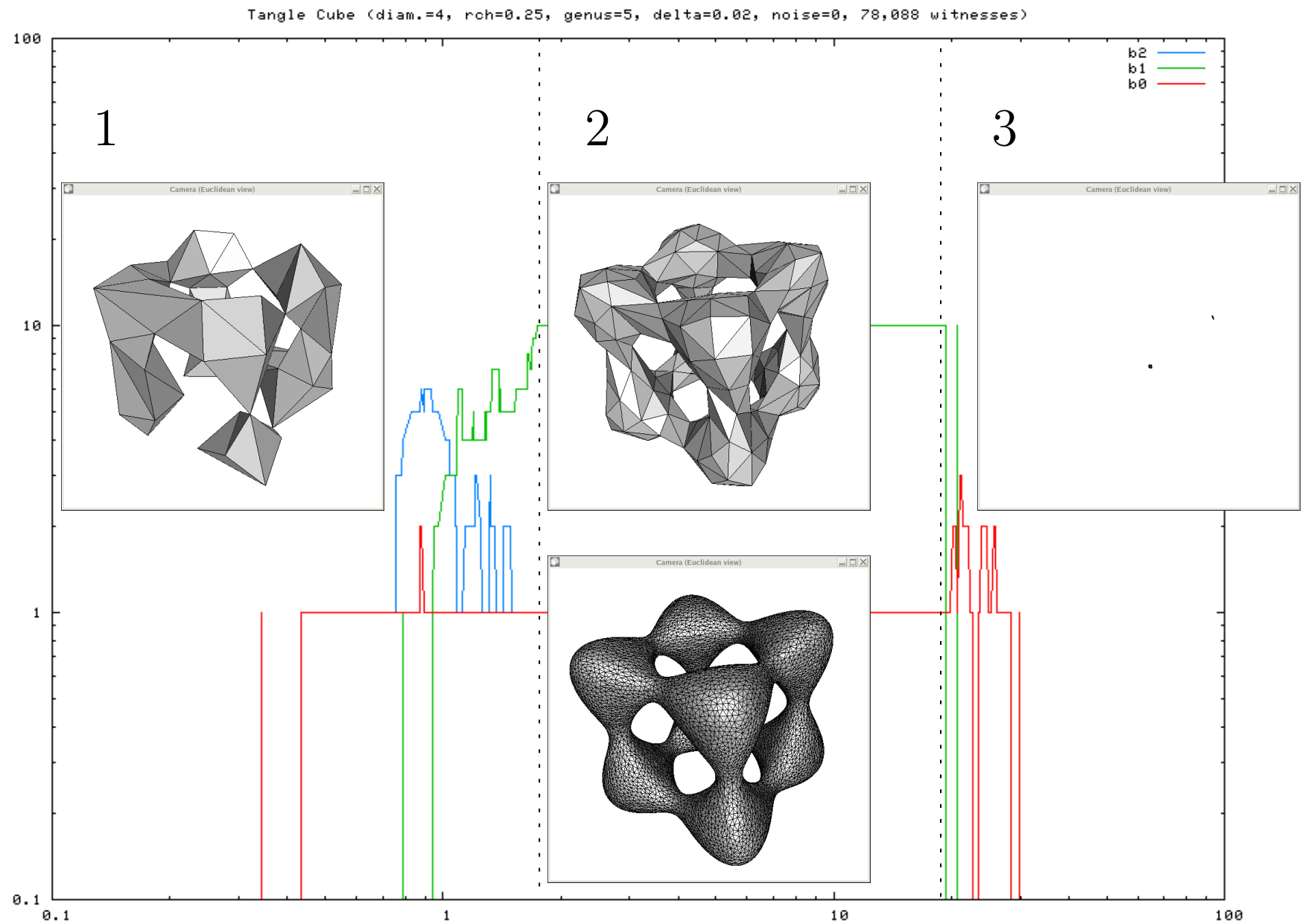
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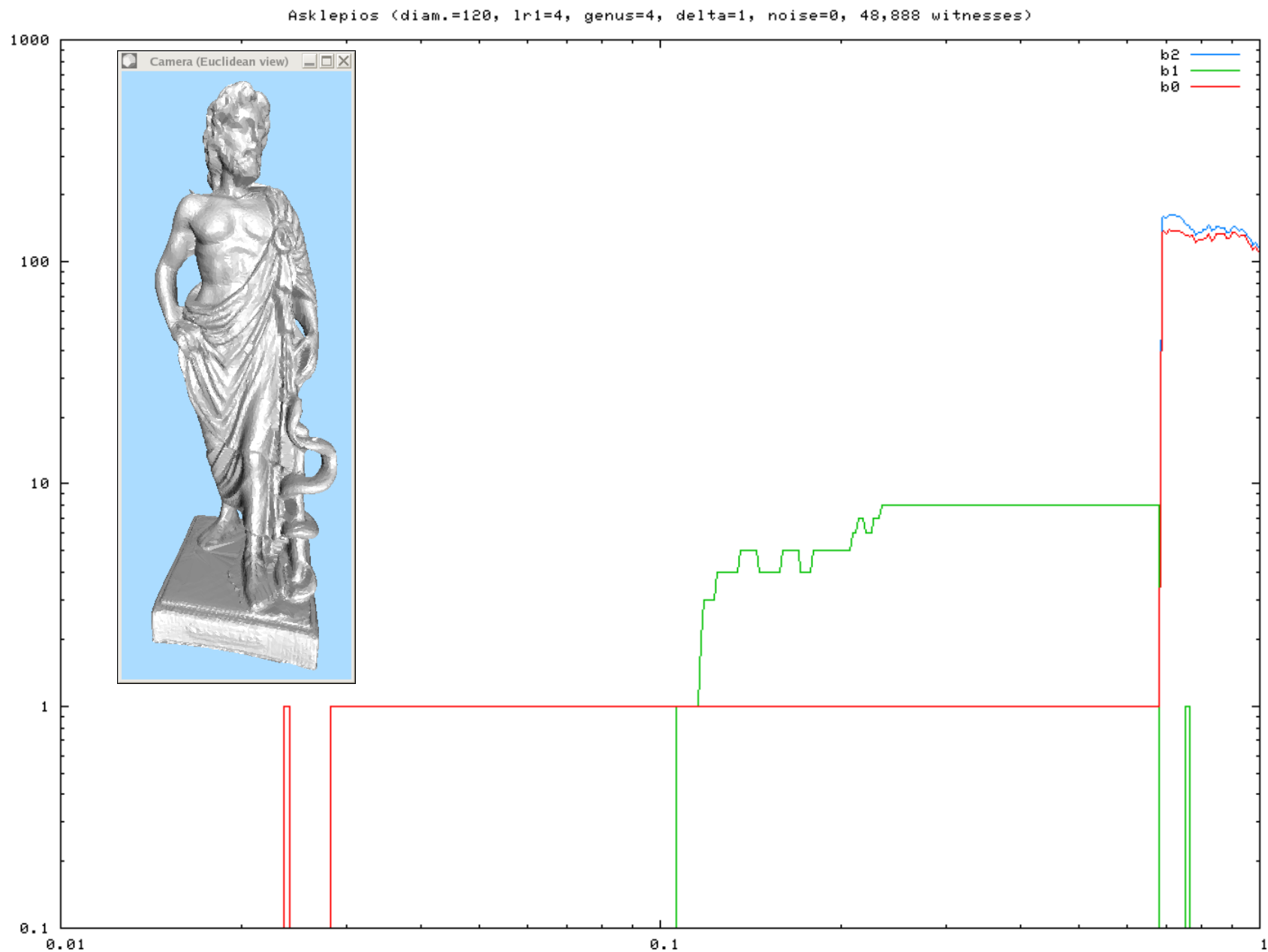
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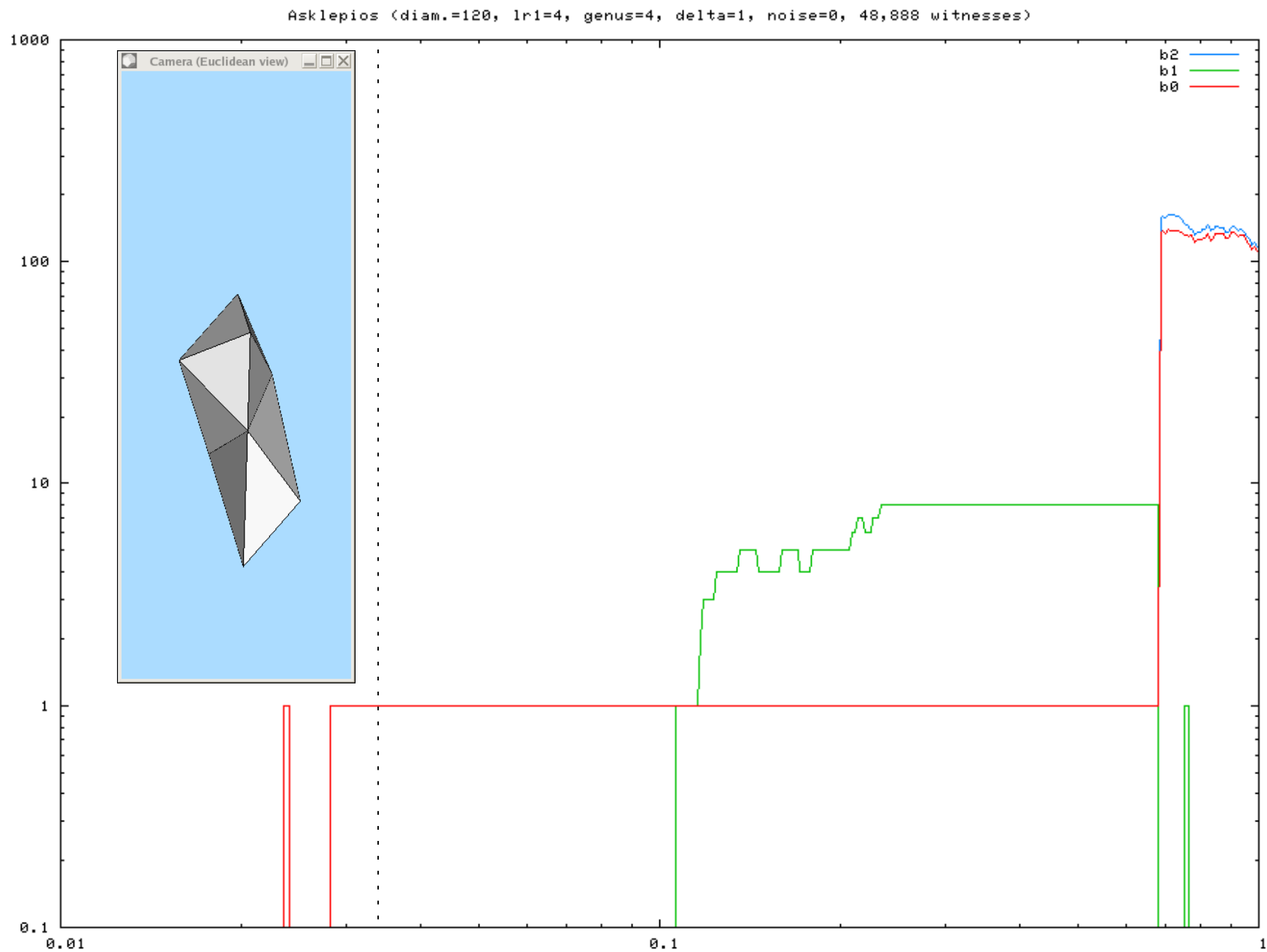


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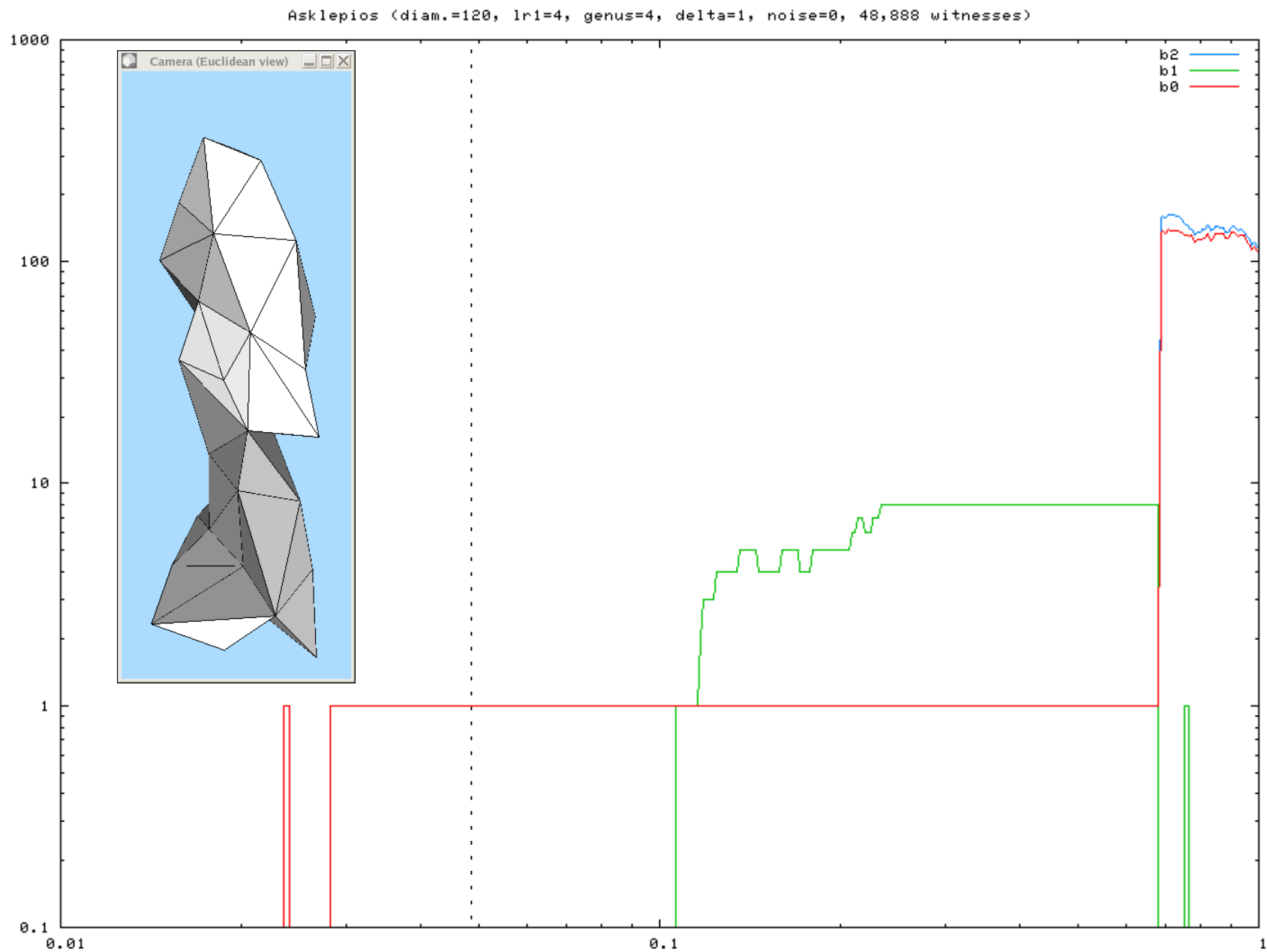
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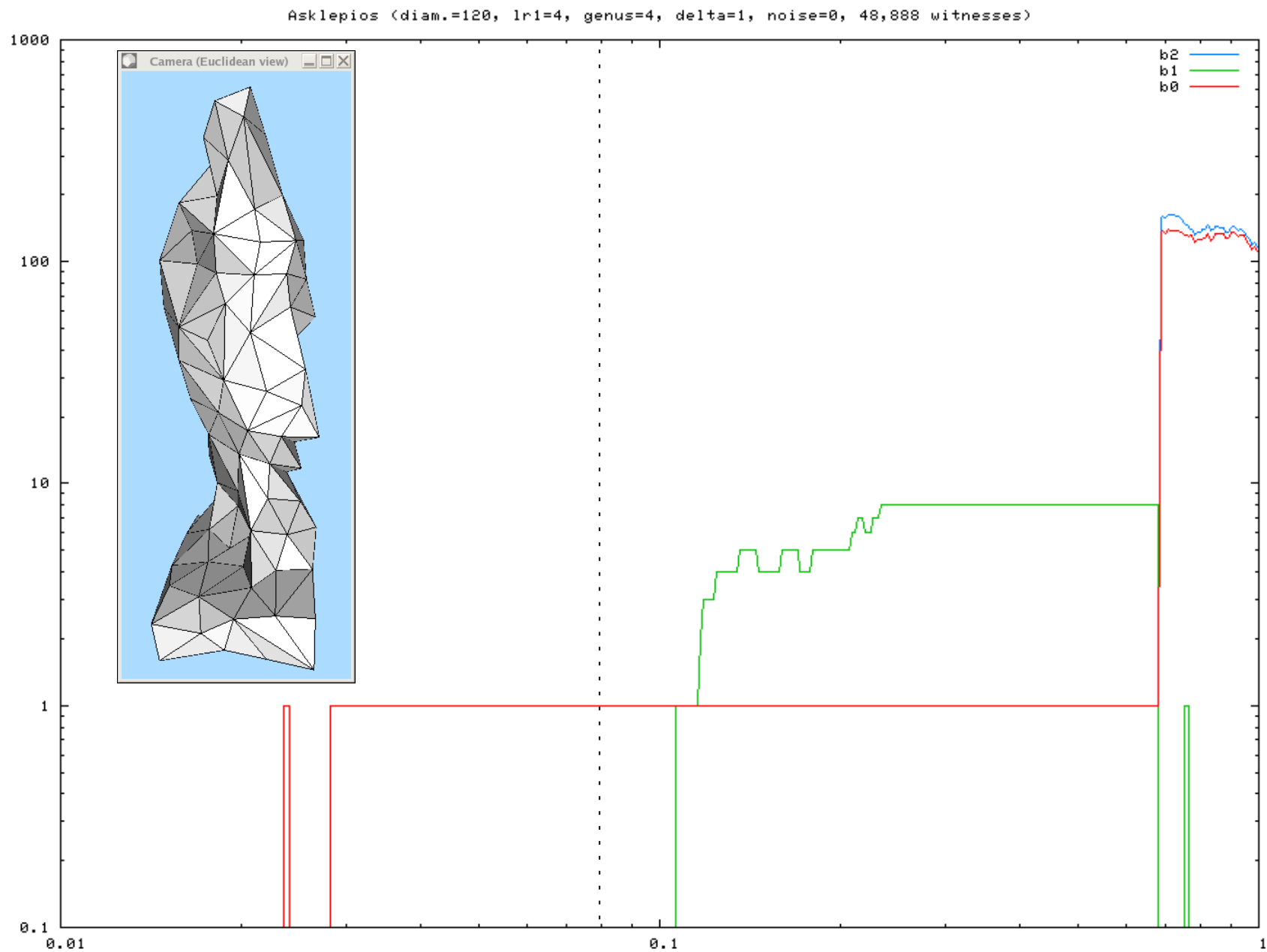
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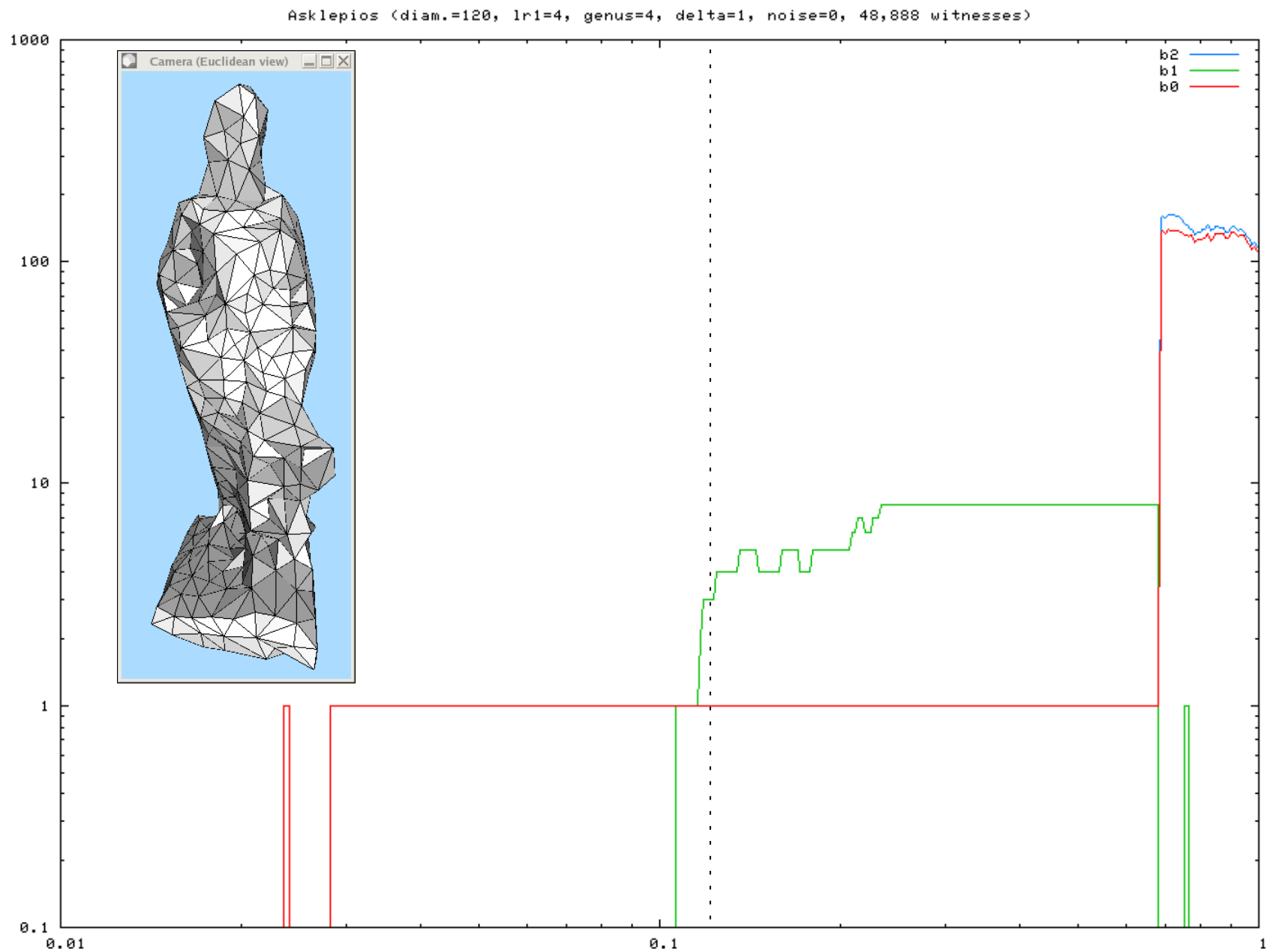
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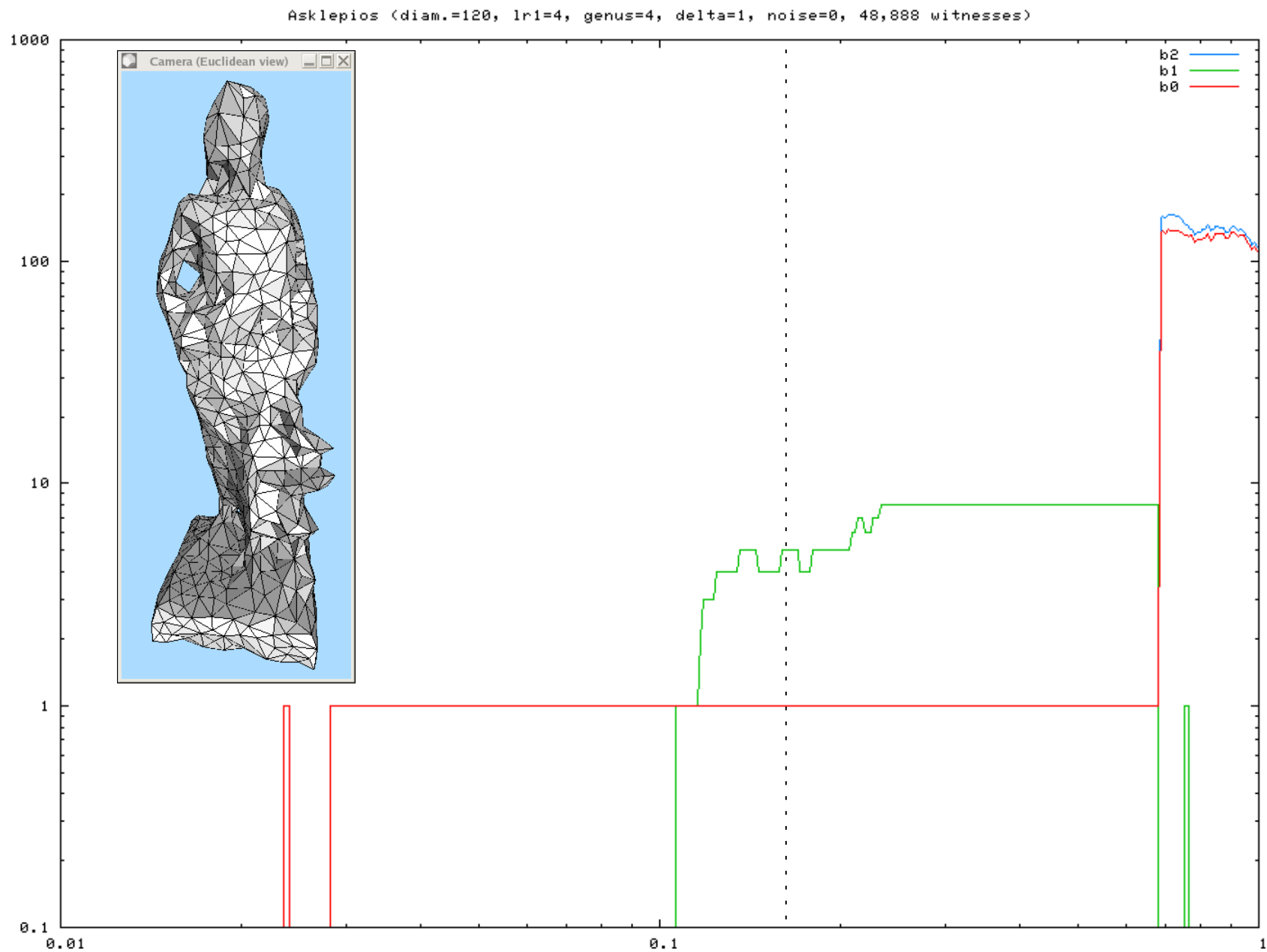
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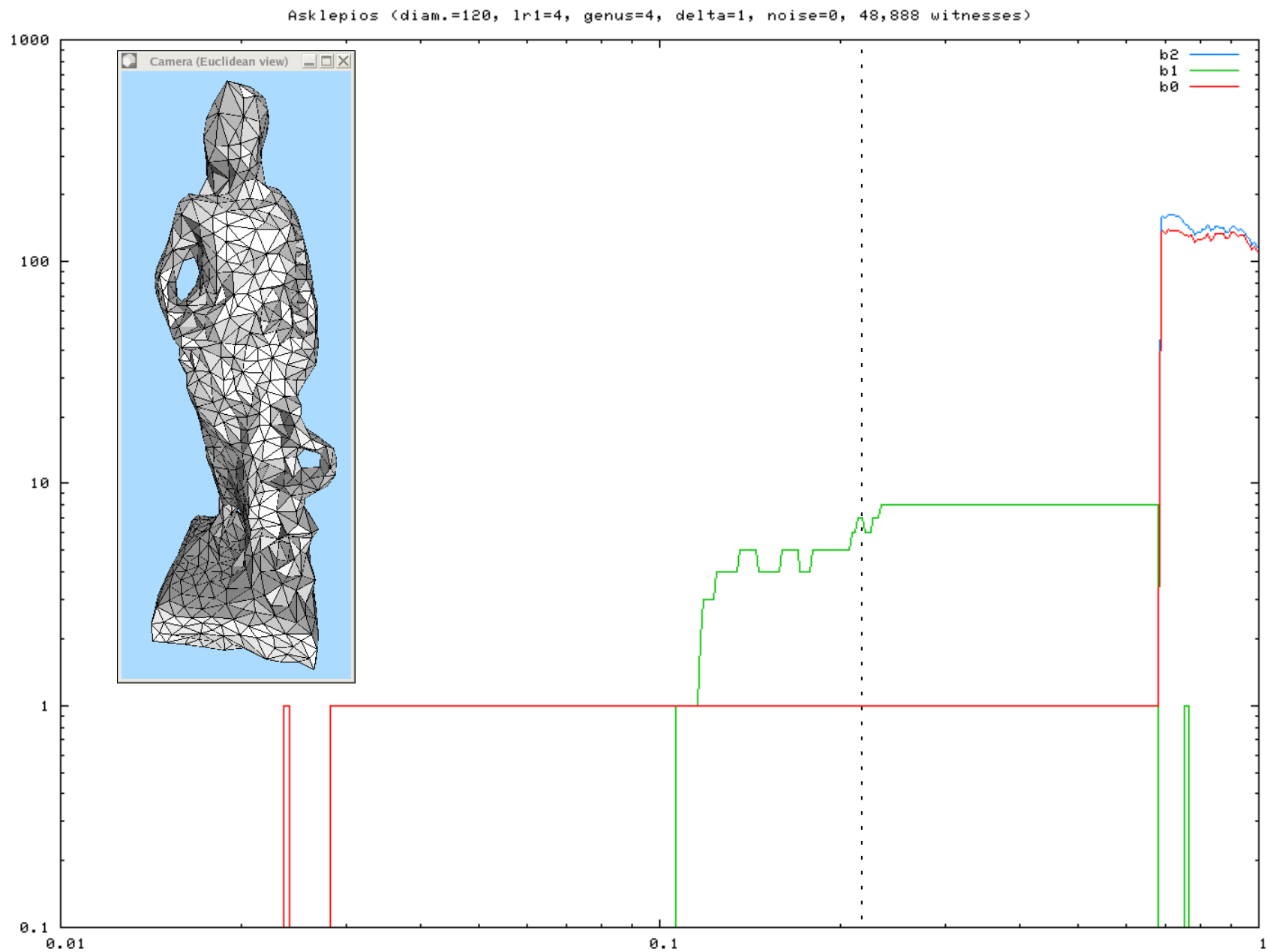
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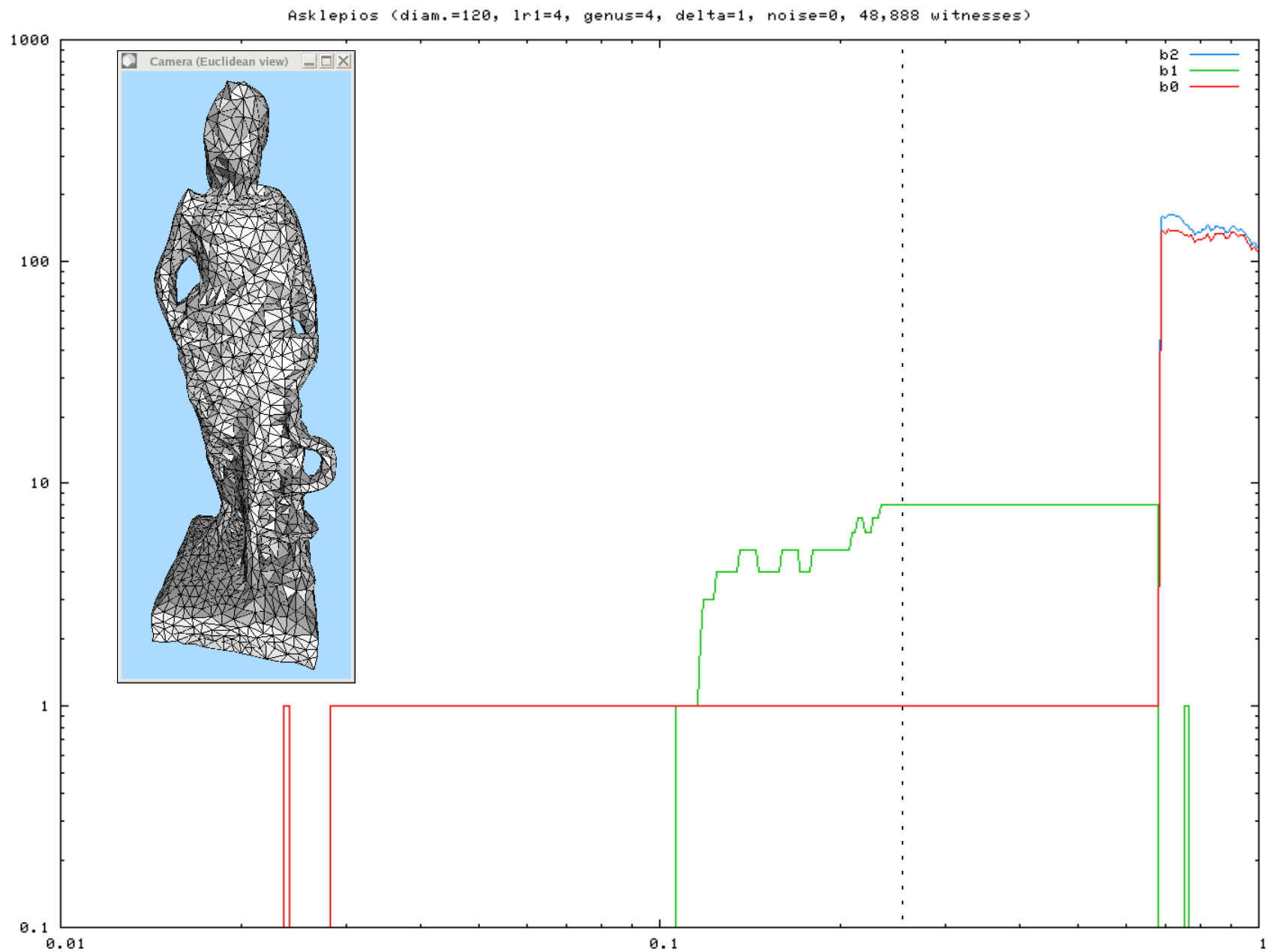
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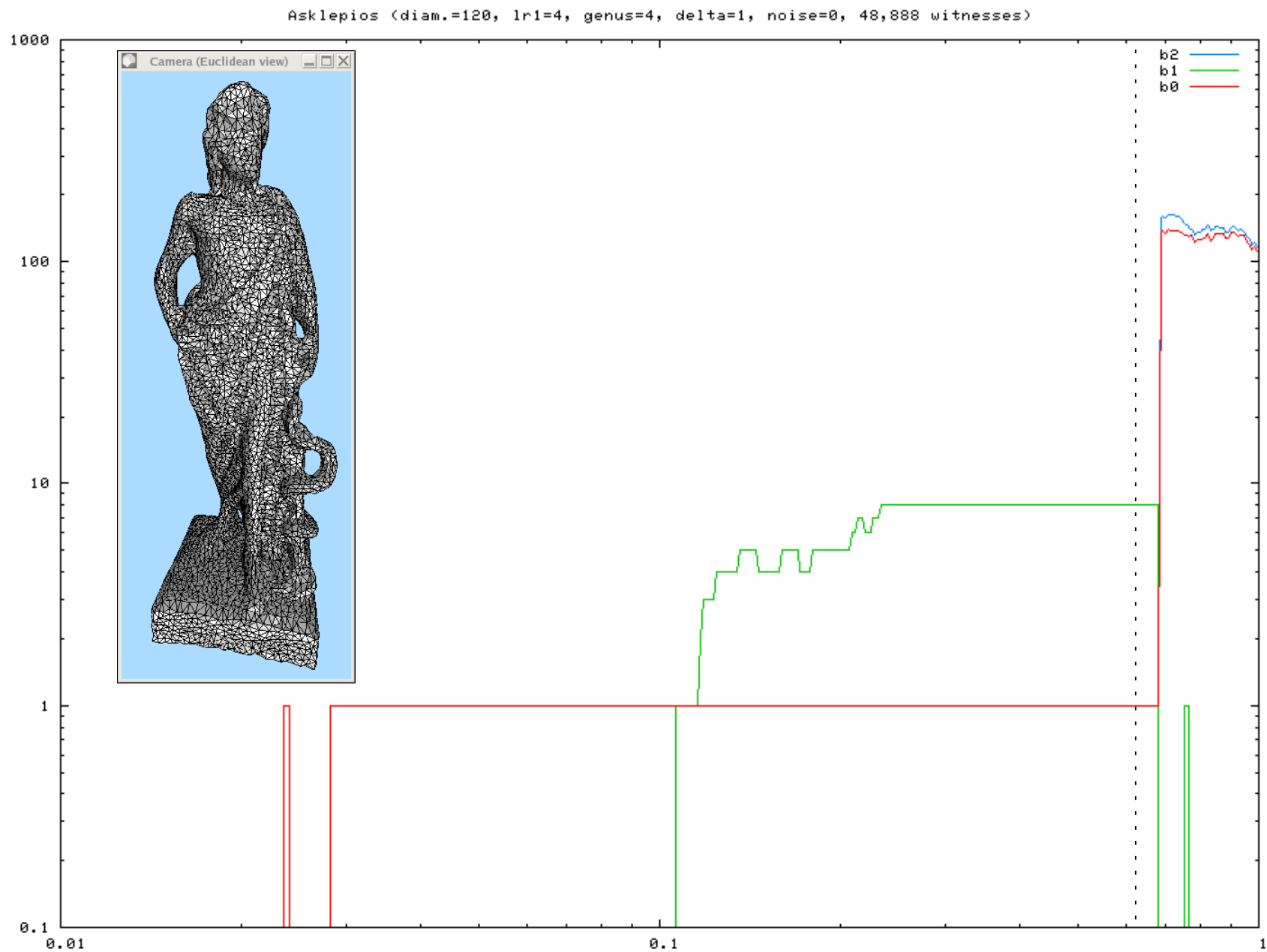
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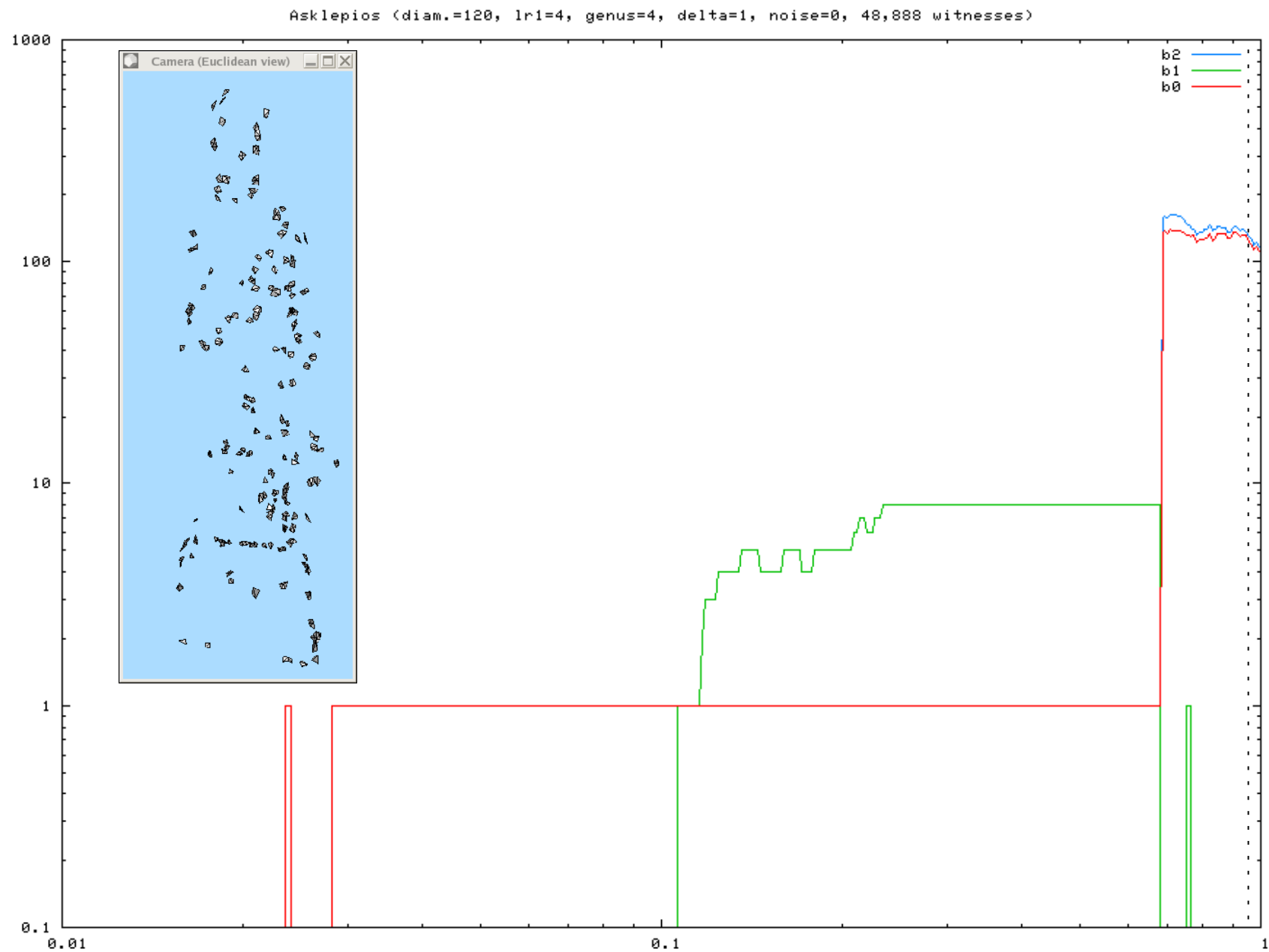
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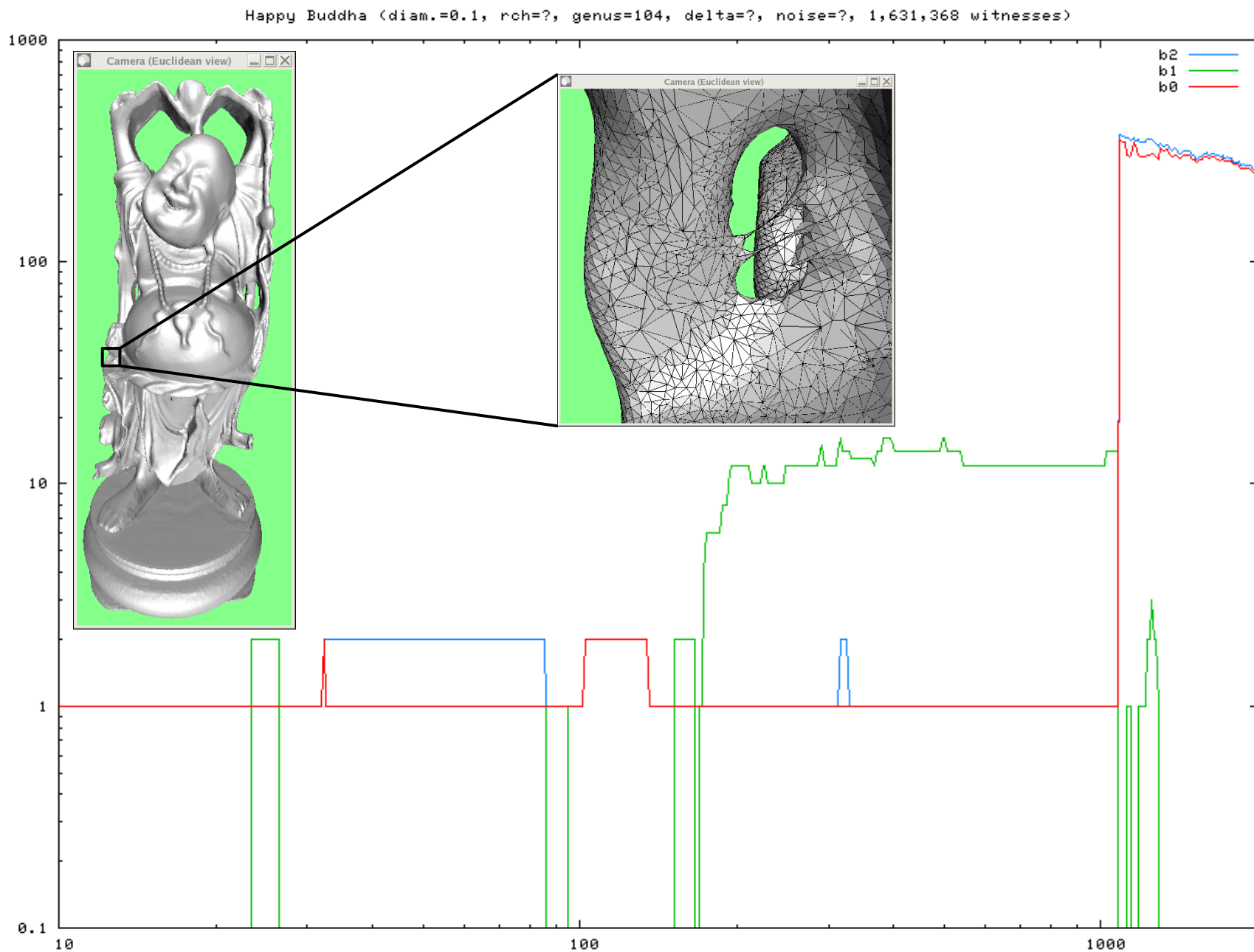
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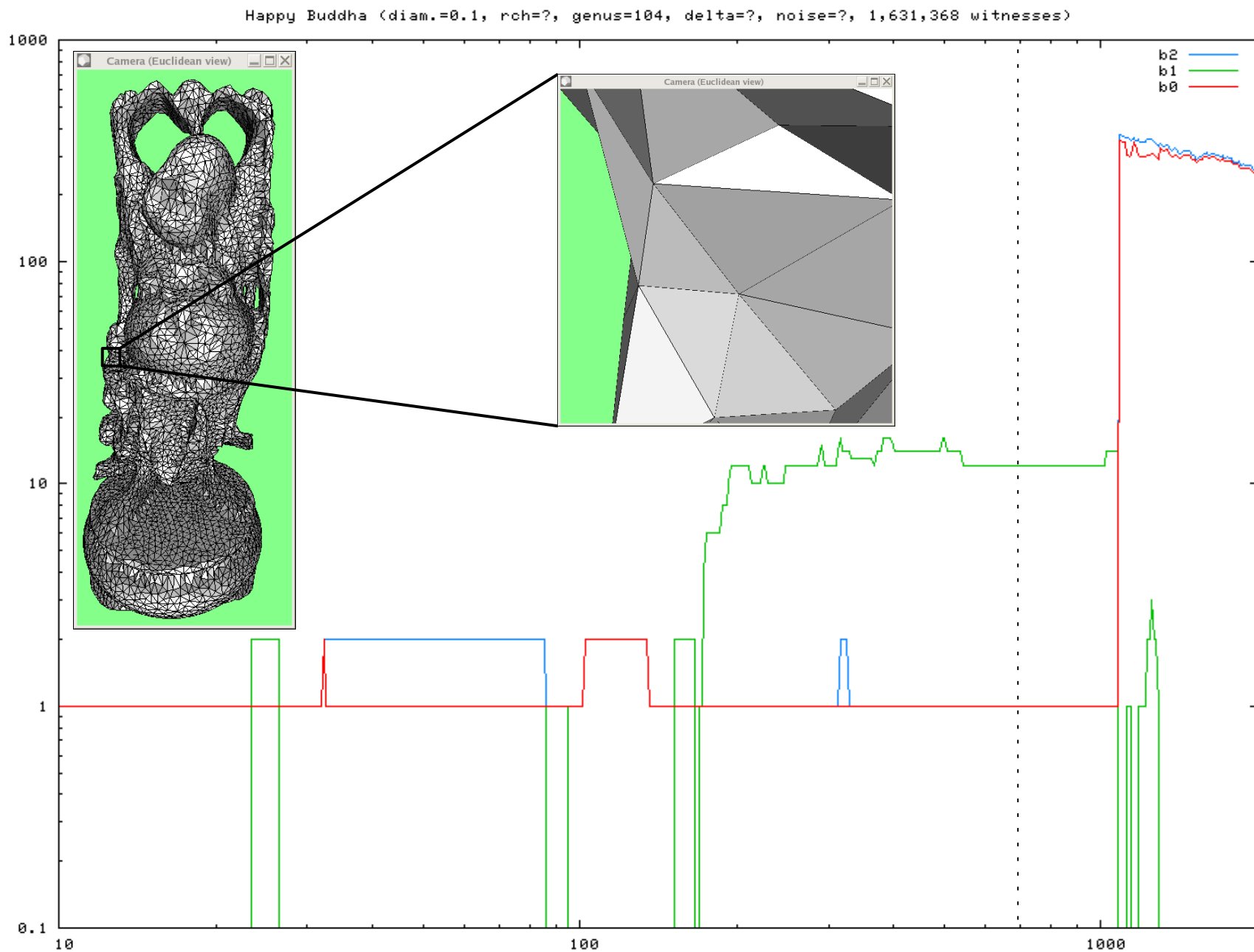
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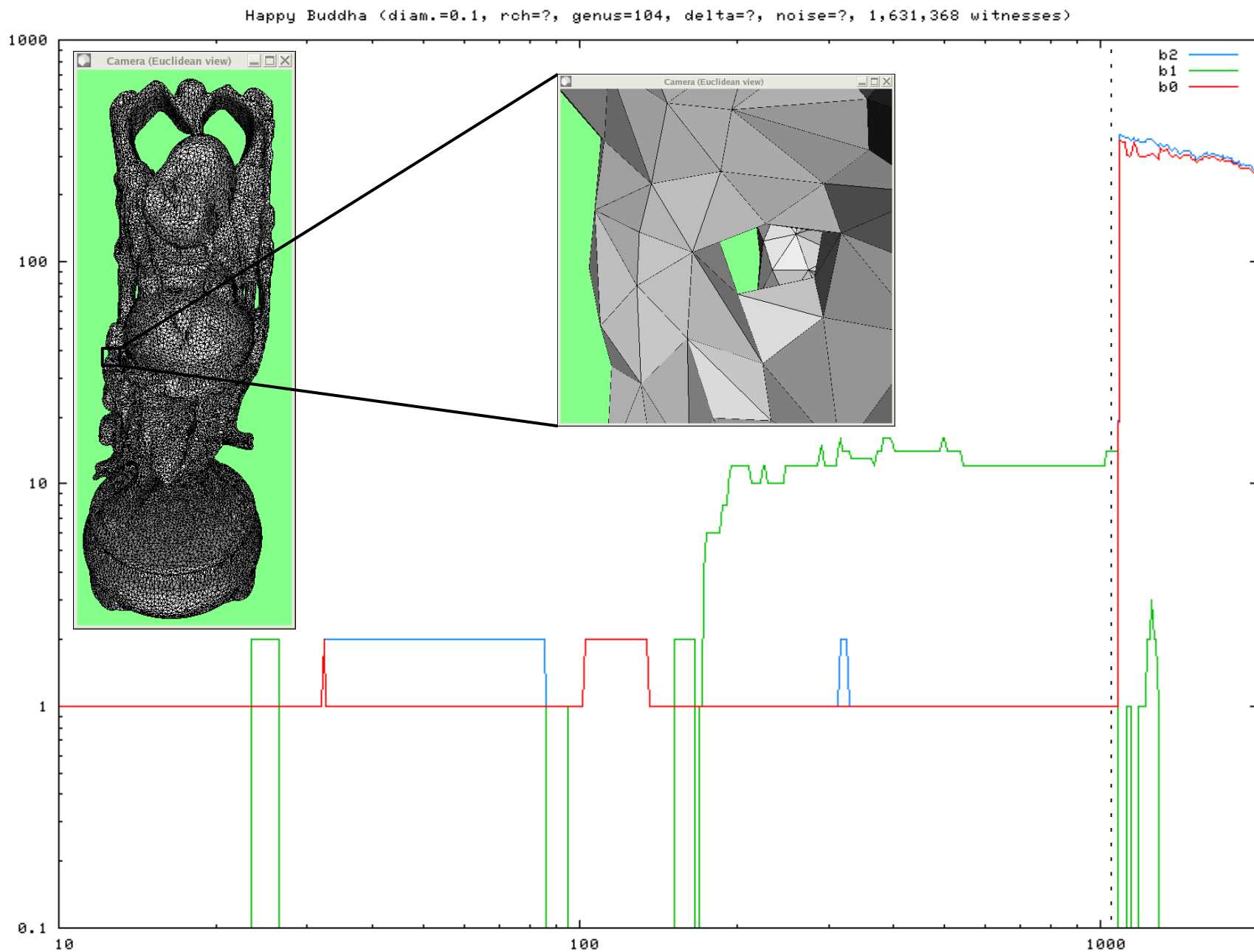
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