

# Connectivity in Semialgebraic Sets

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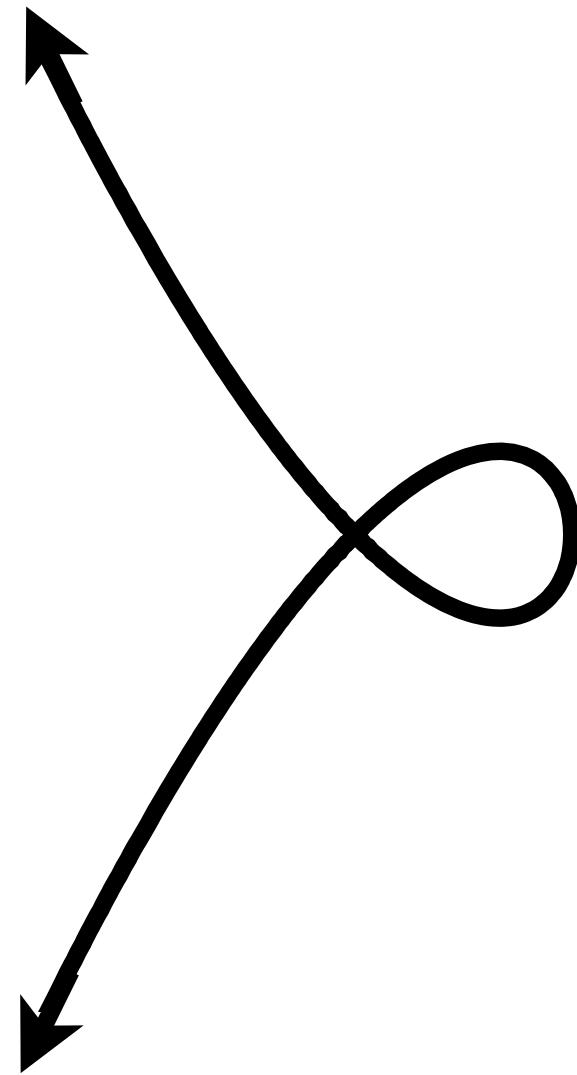


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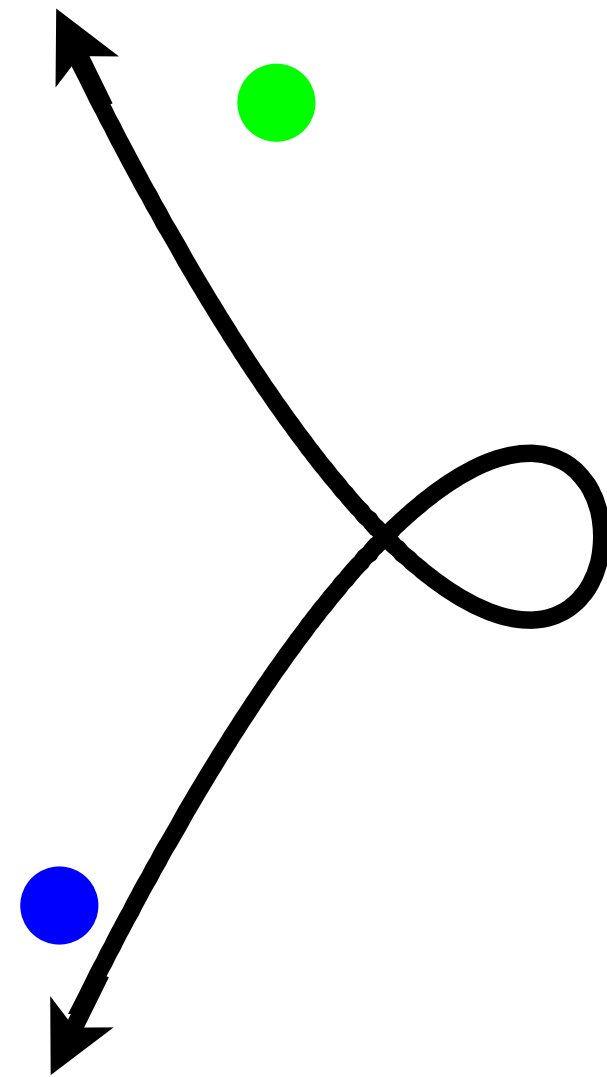
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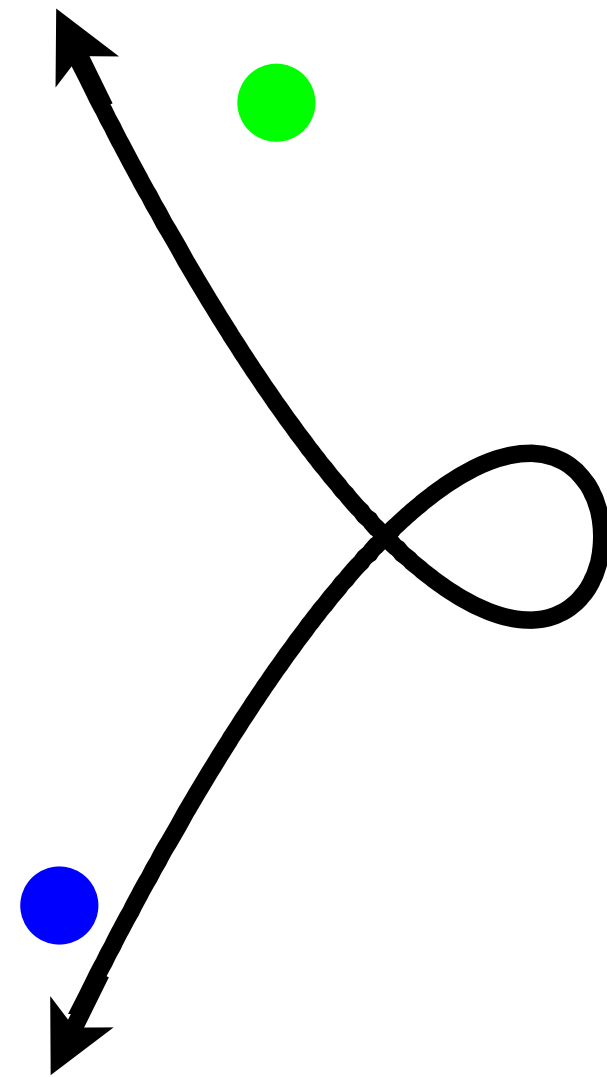
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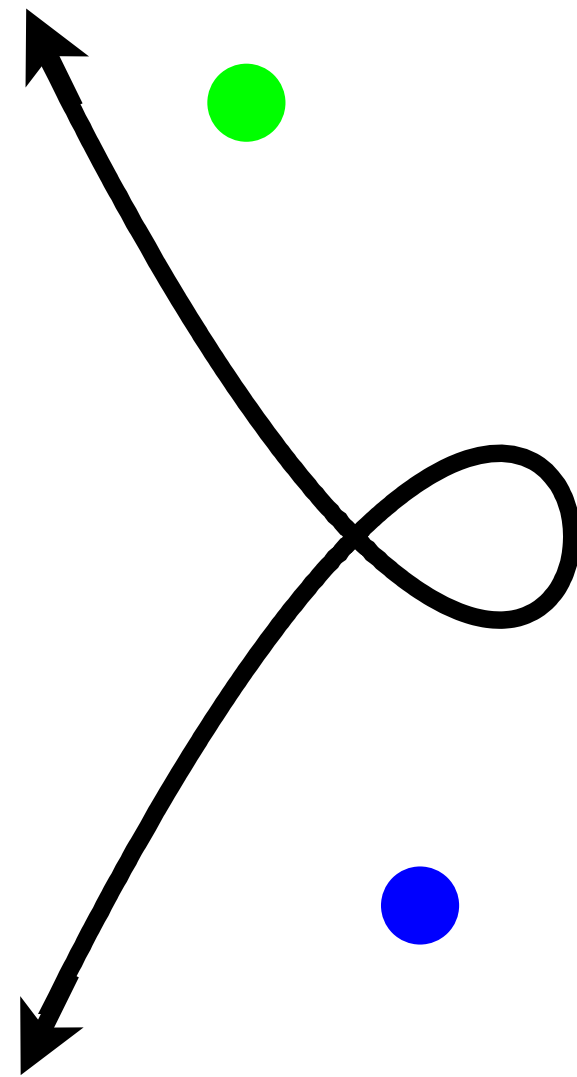
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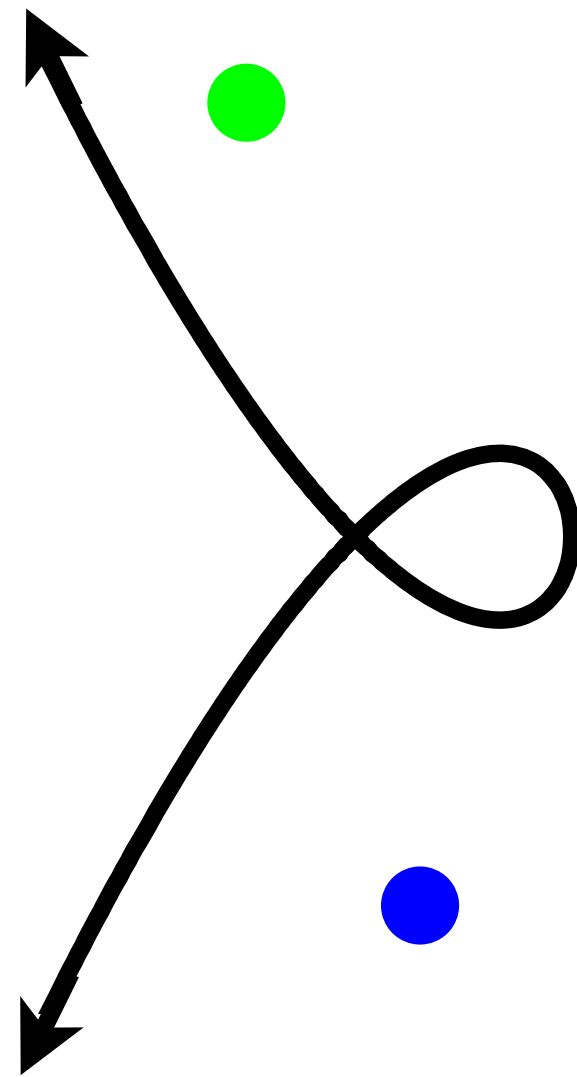
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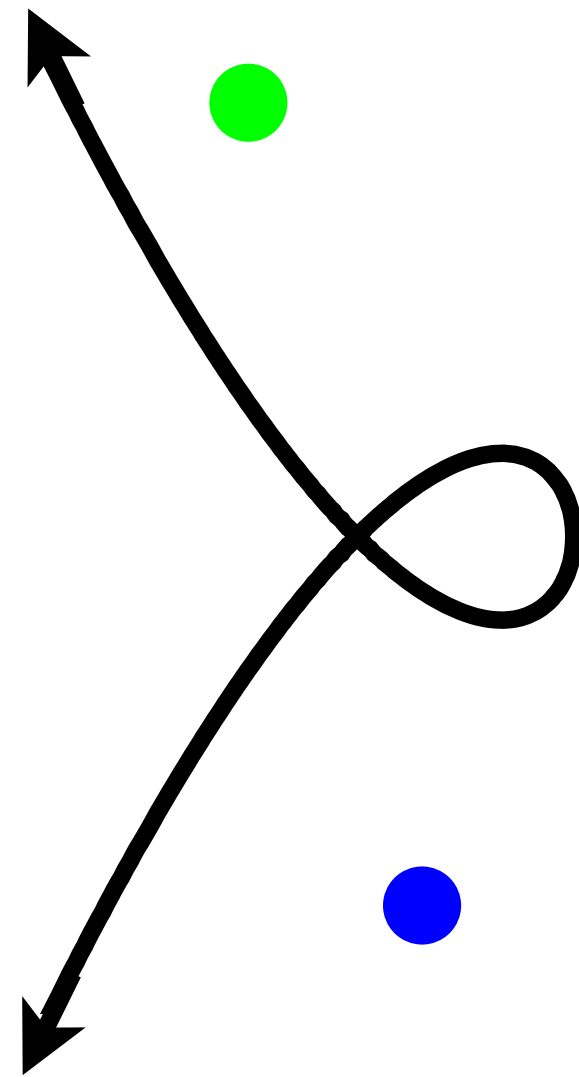
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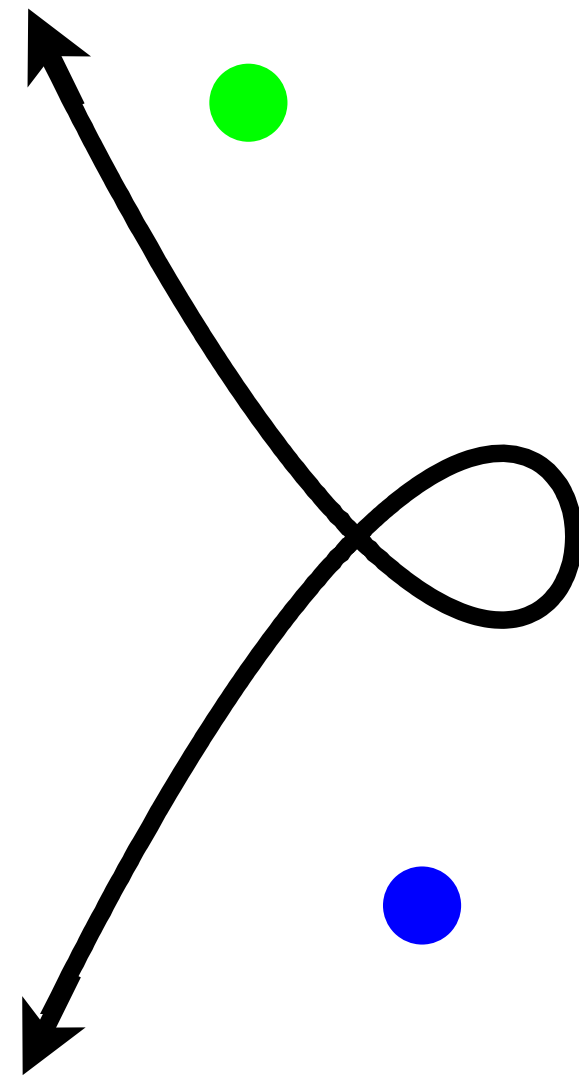
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if  $\bullet, \bullet$  are in a same  
semialgebraically  
connected component  
of  $\{f \neq 0\}$

**False**

otherwise

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# Motivations and Previous Works

- Fundamental in computational real algebraic geometry.
- Many important applications in science and engineering.

- Previous work:

1975 Collins

1983 Schwartz, Sharir

1984 Arnon, Collins, McCallum

1987 Canny, Roy

1988 Arnon, McCallum

1989 Alonso, Raimondo

1992 Feng, Grigor'ev, Vorobjov

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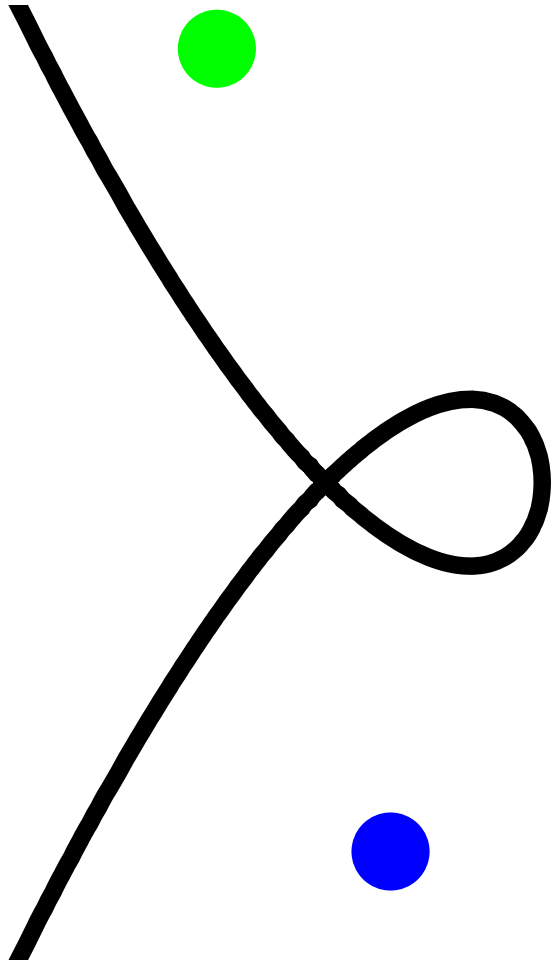
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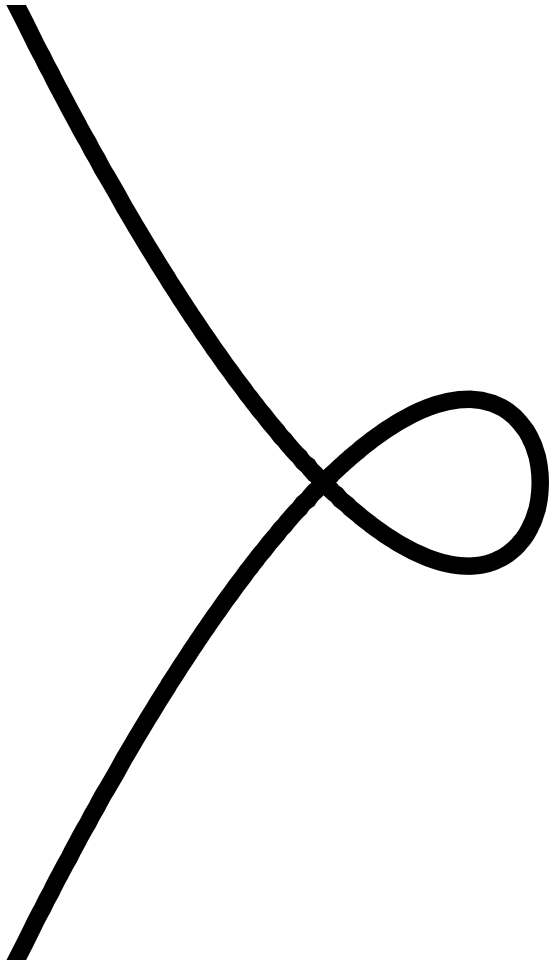
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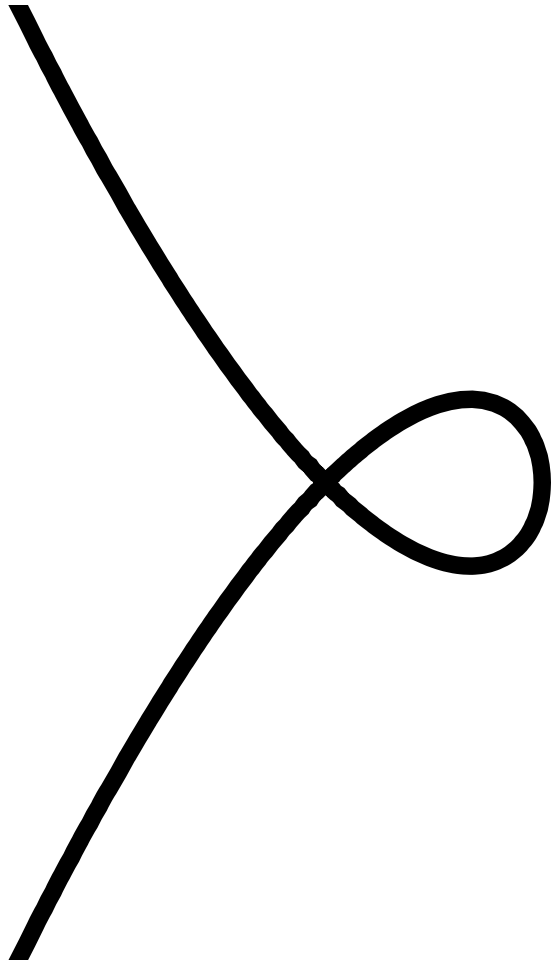


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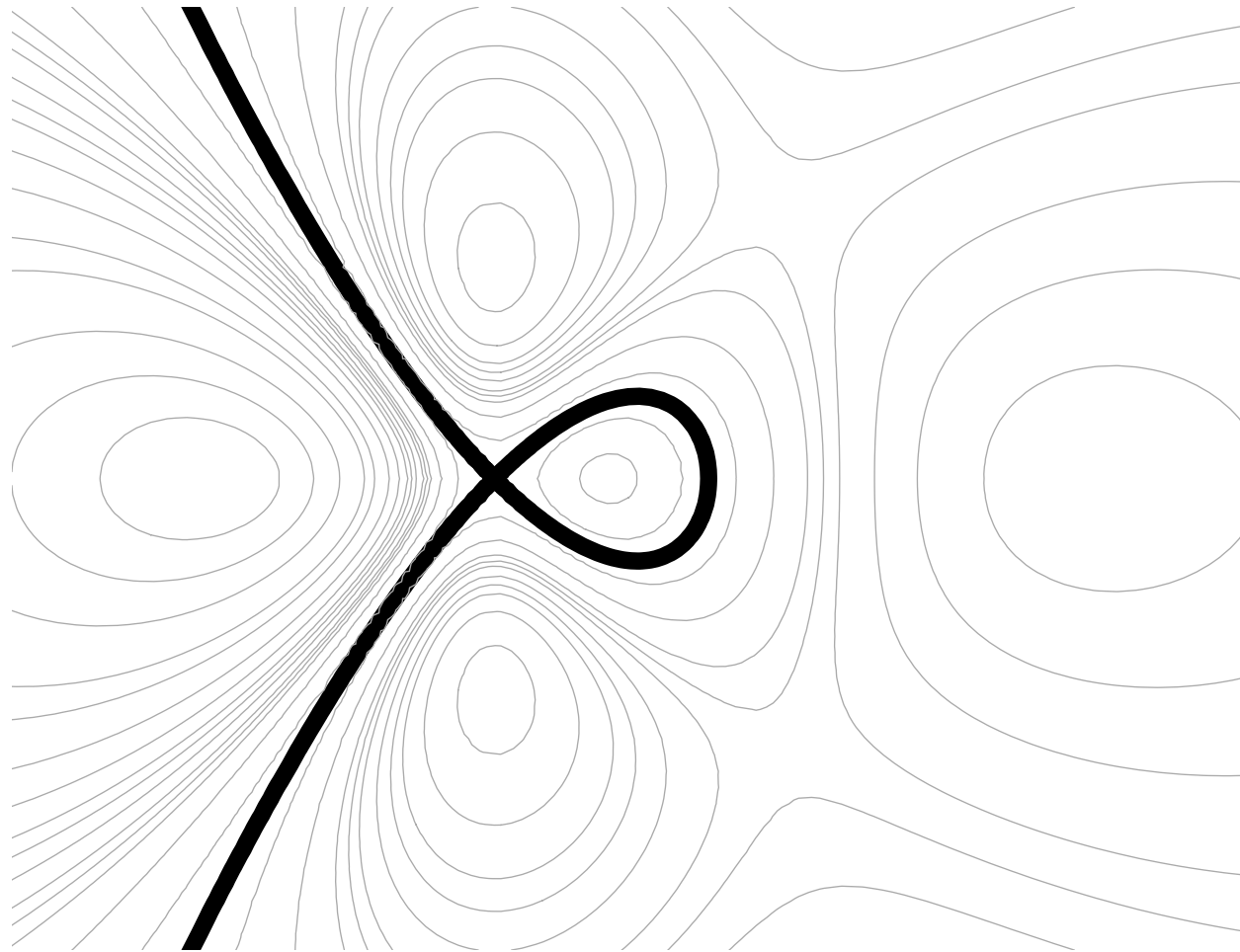
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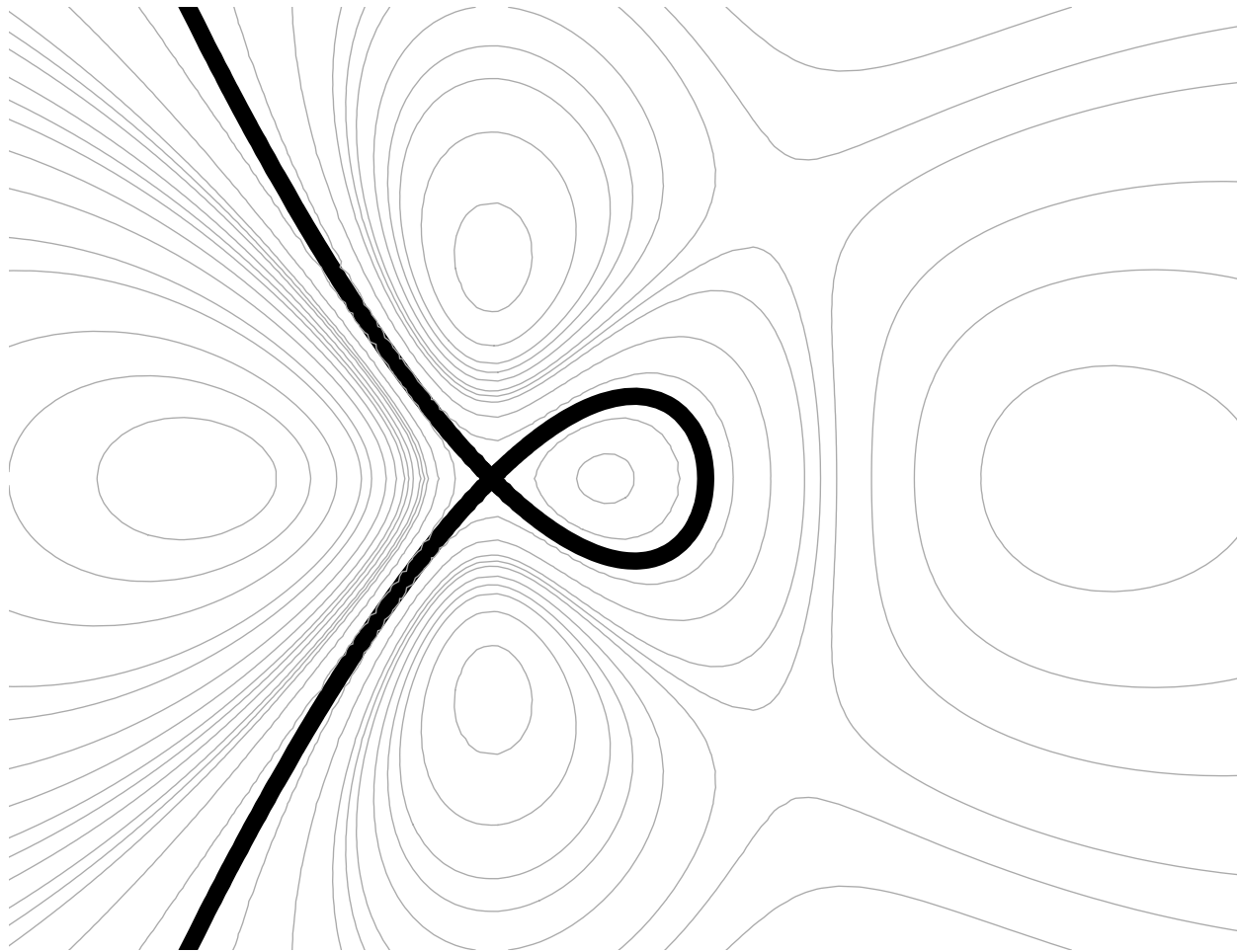
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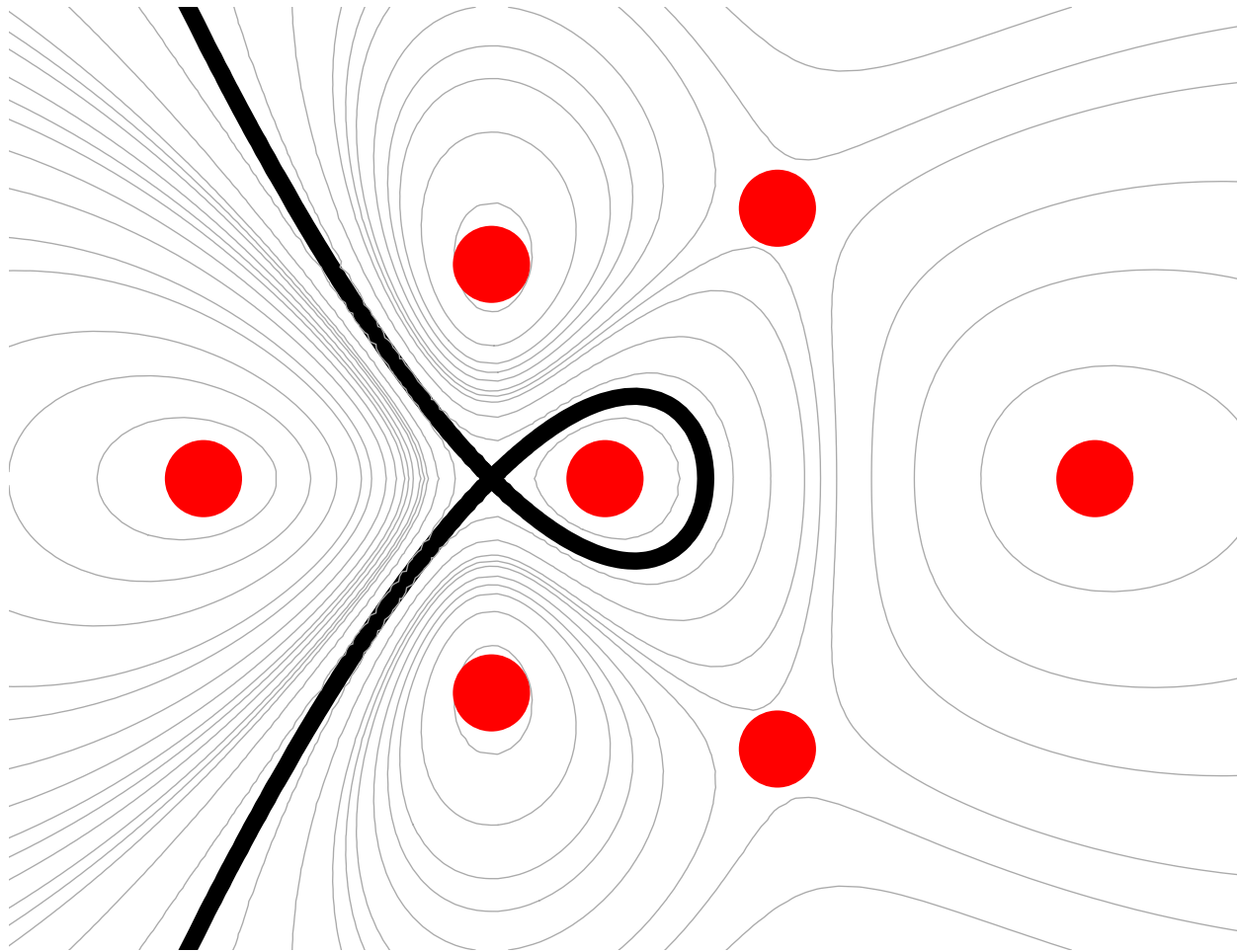


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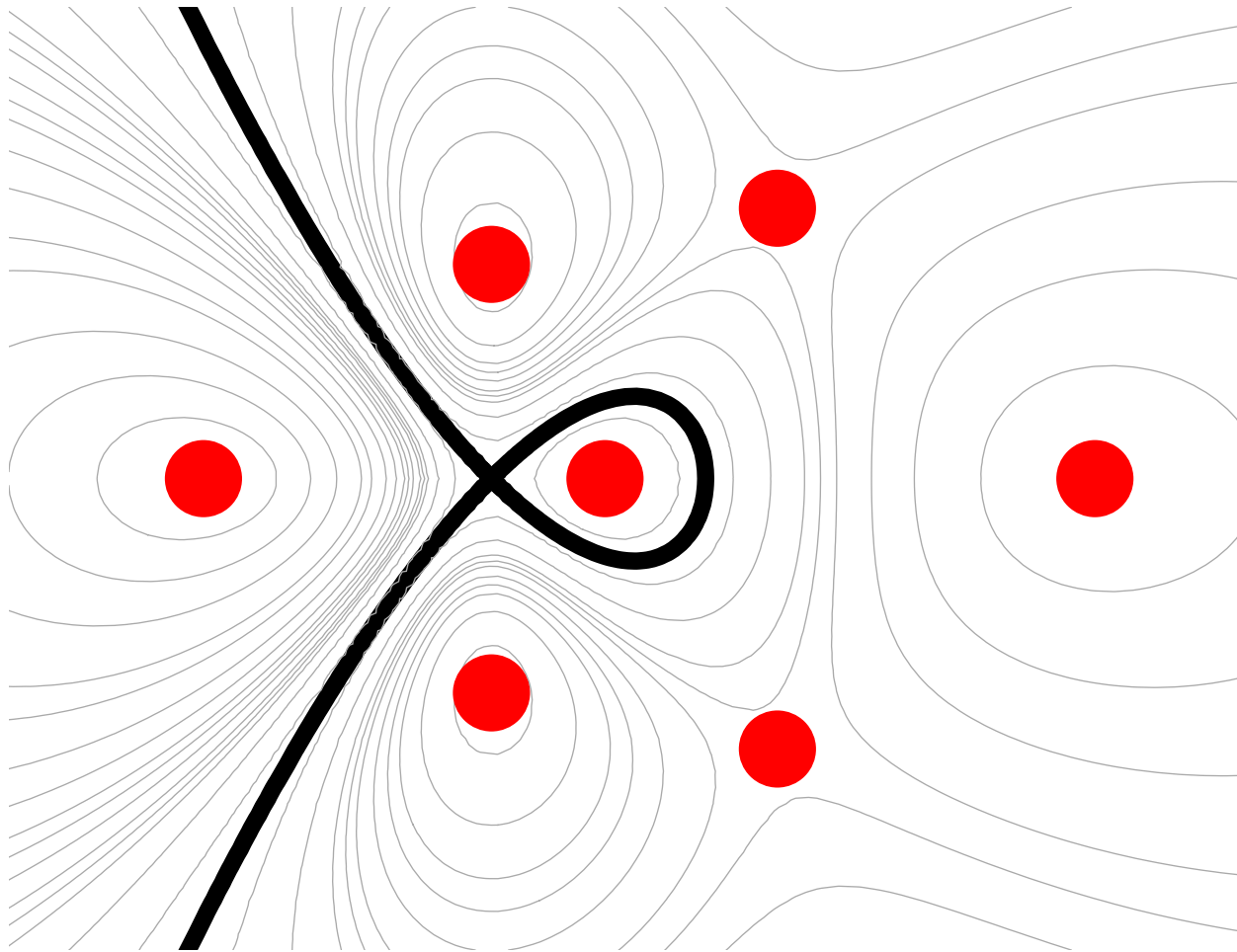


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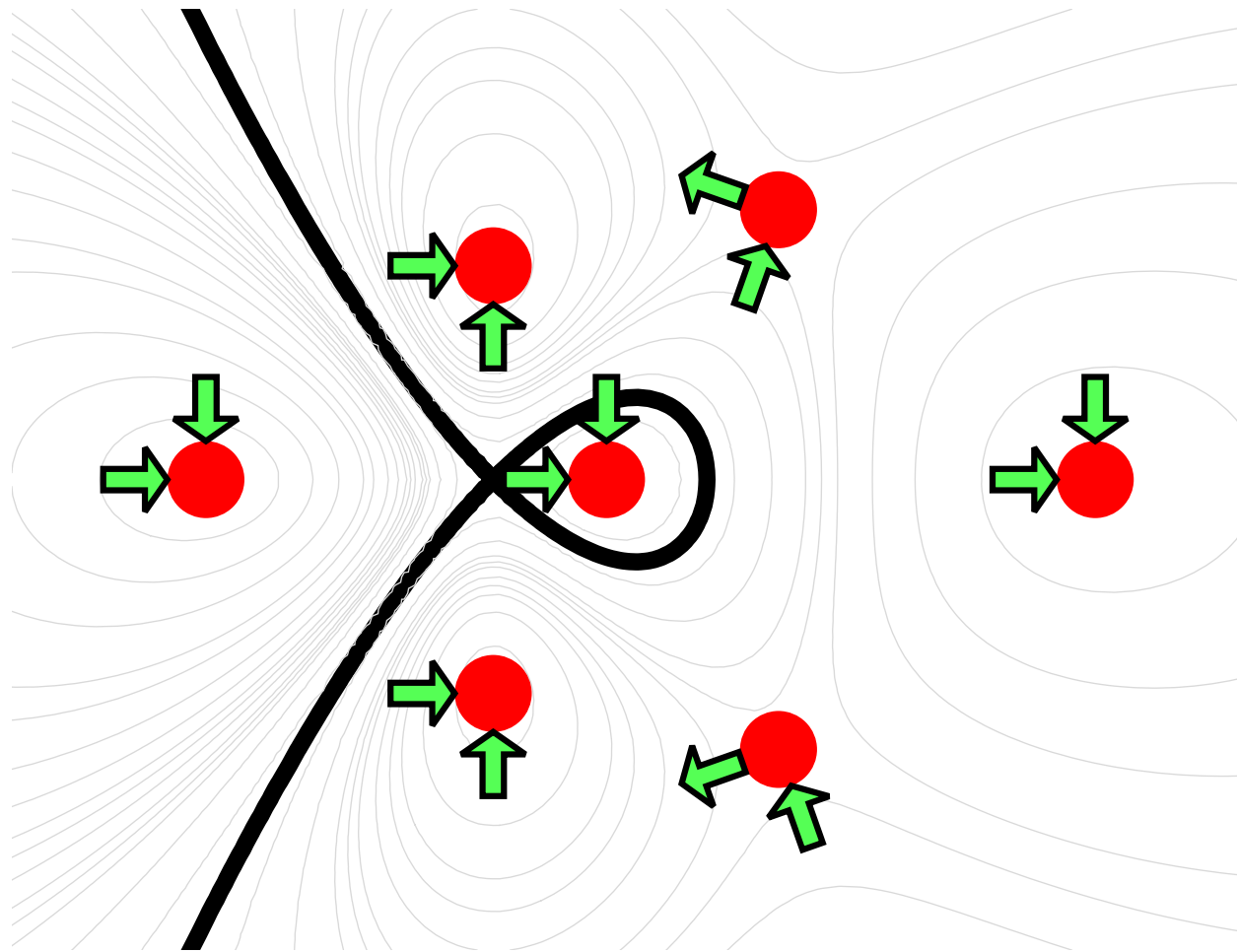
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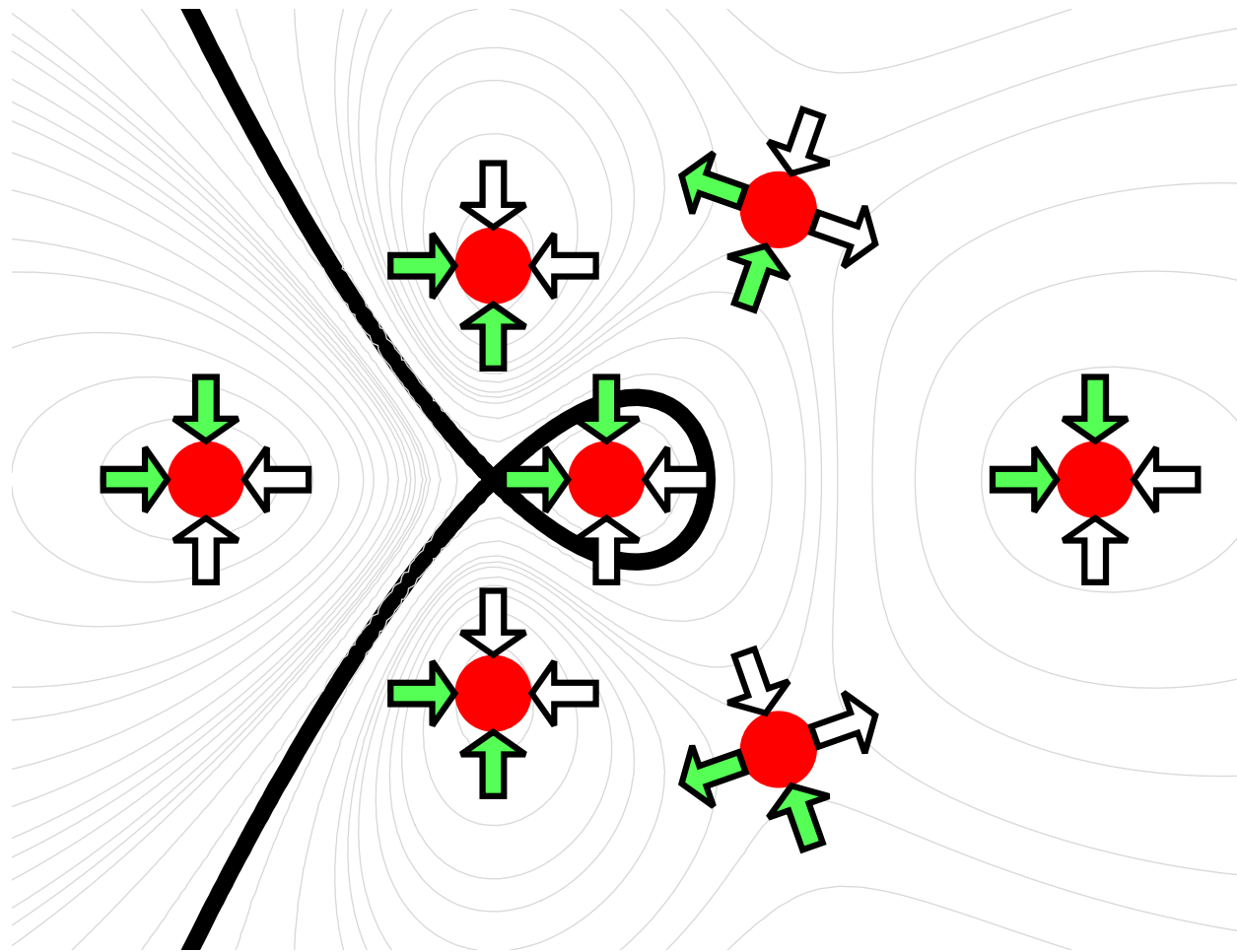
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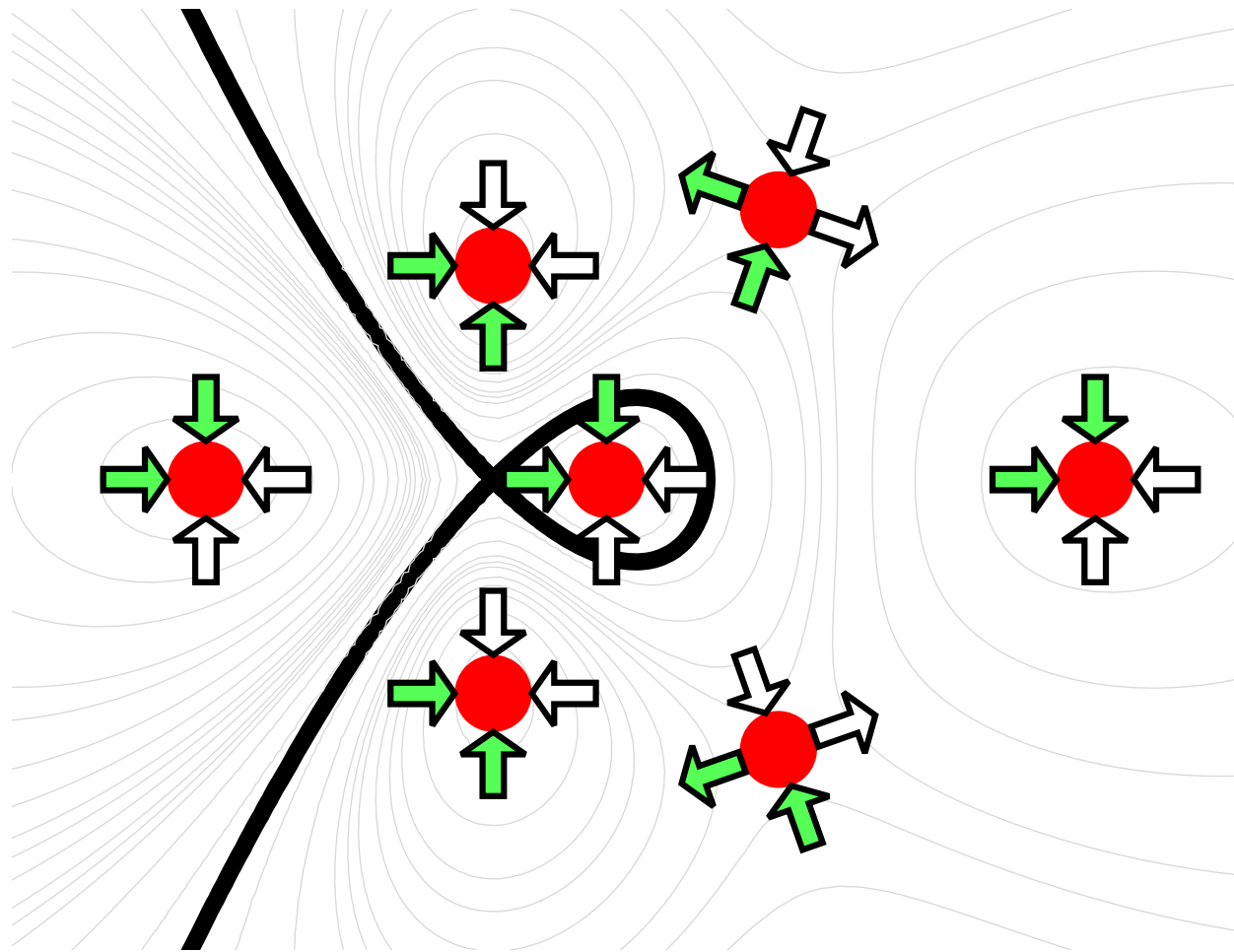
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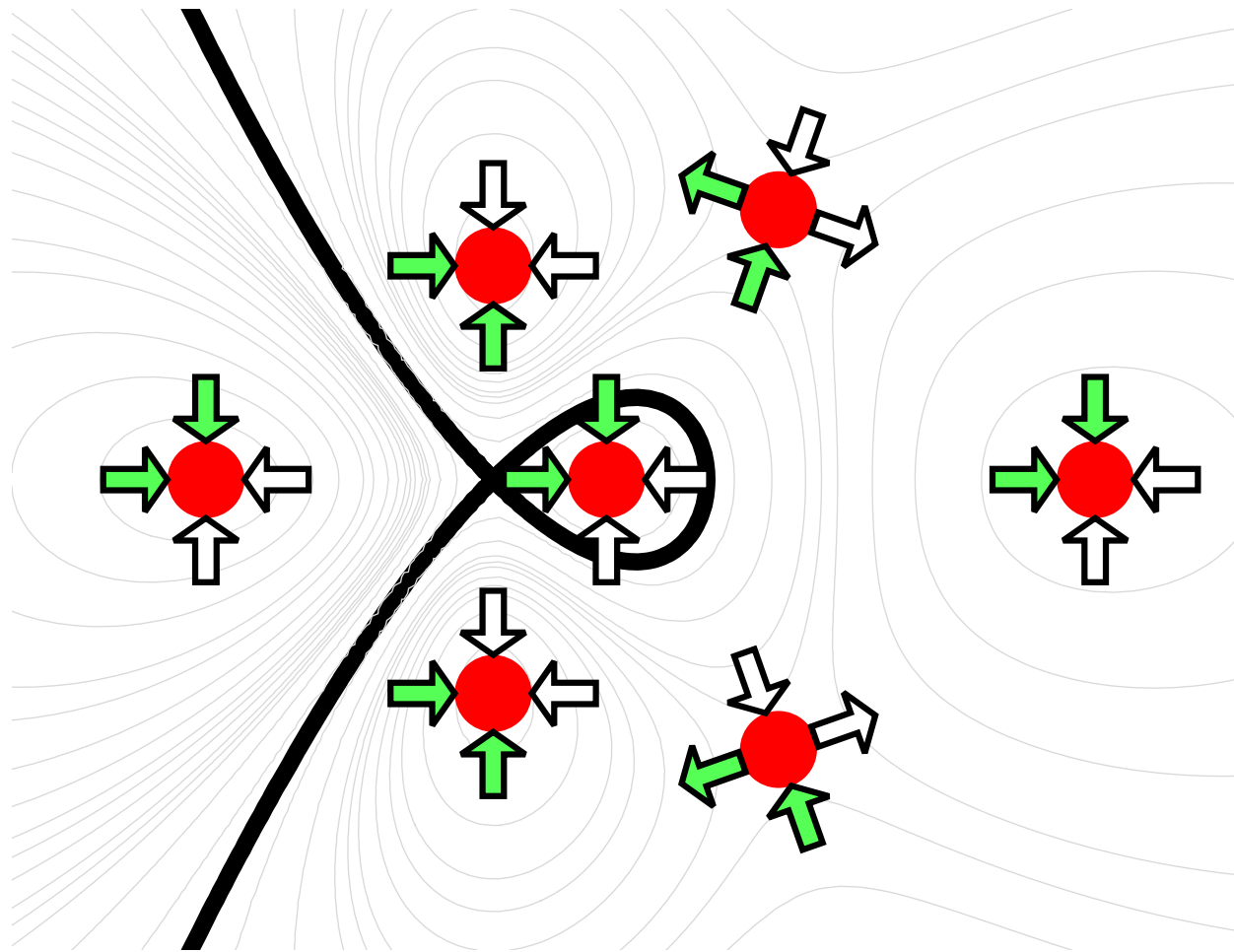
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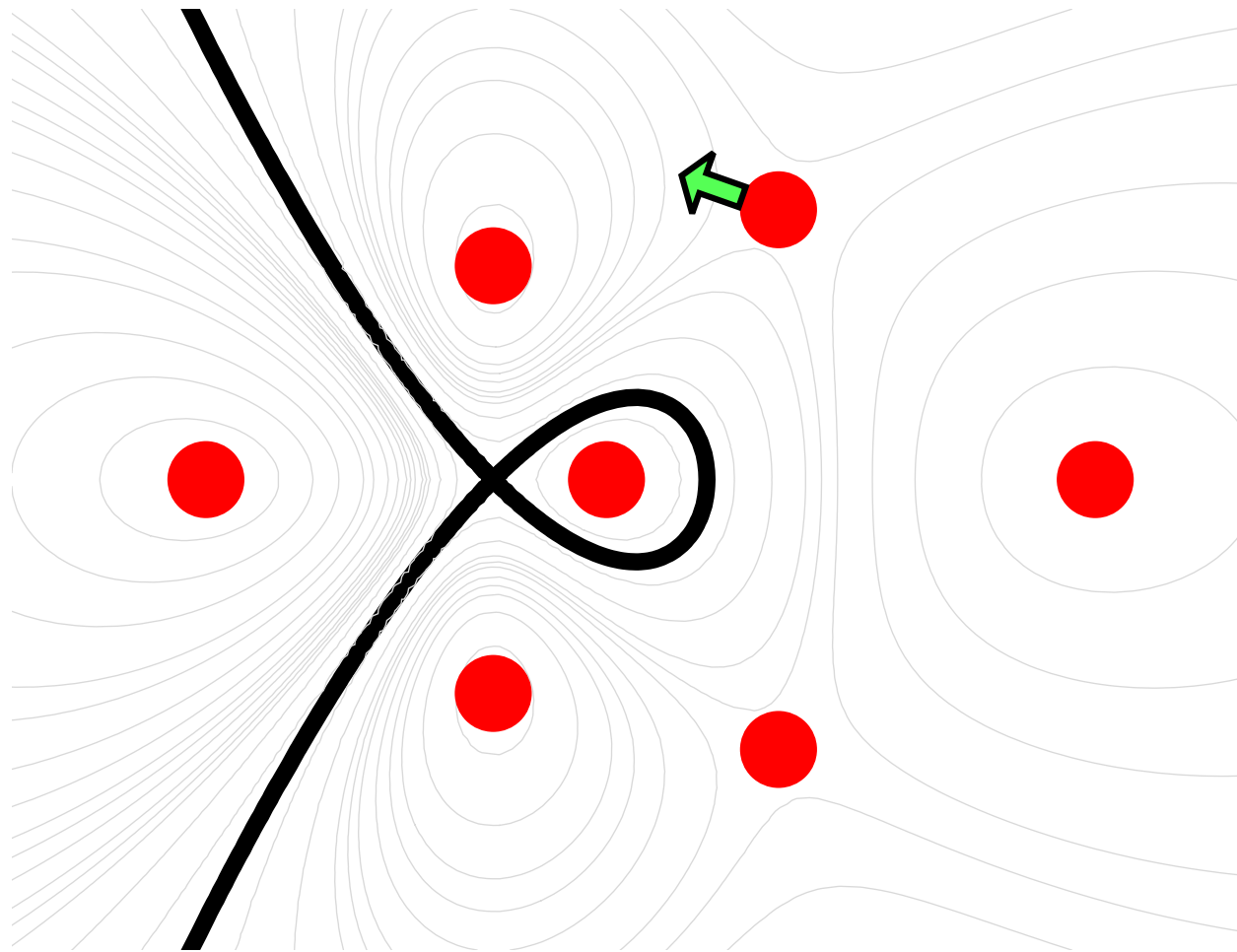
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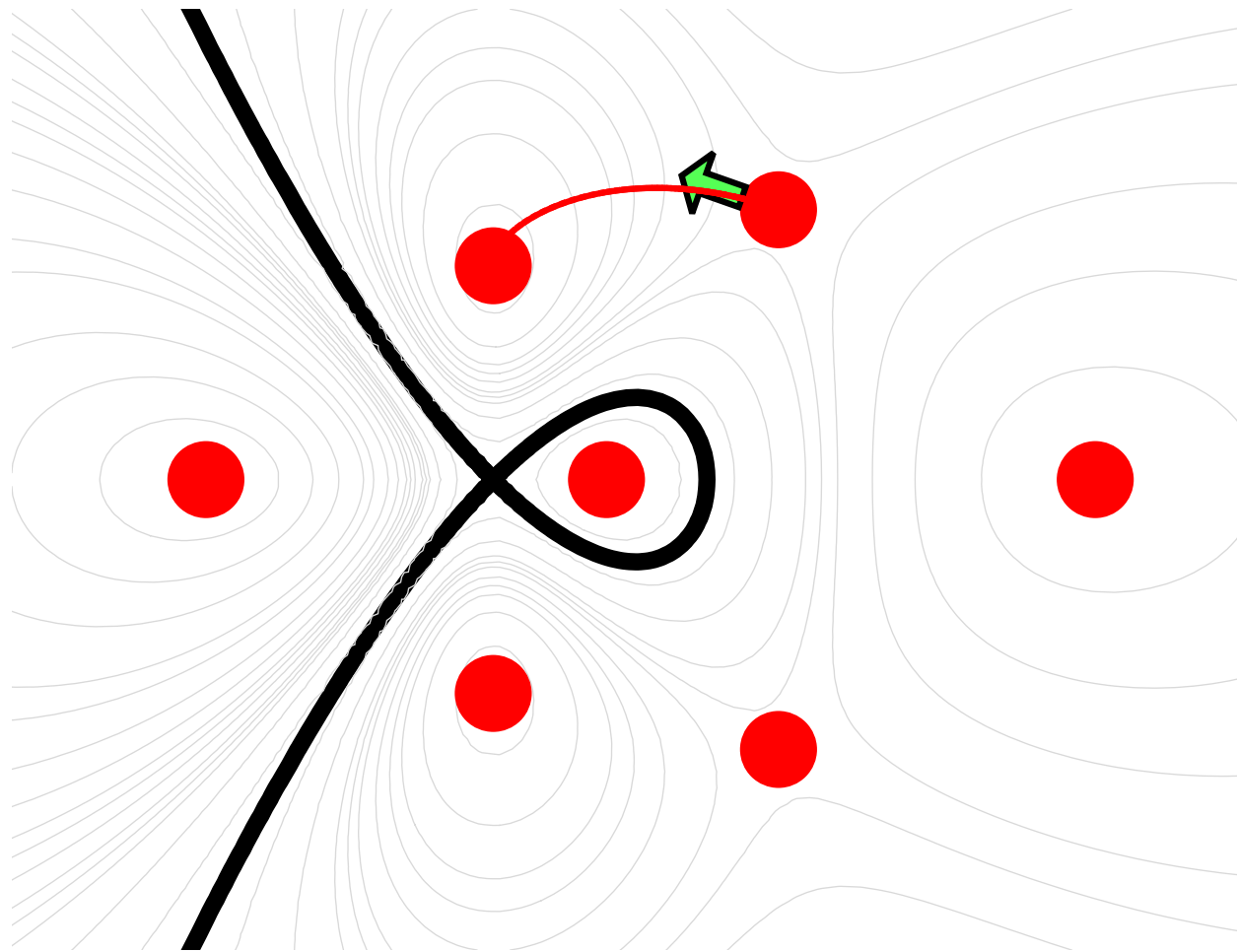


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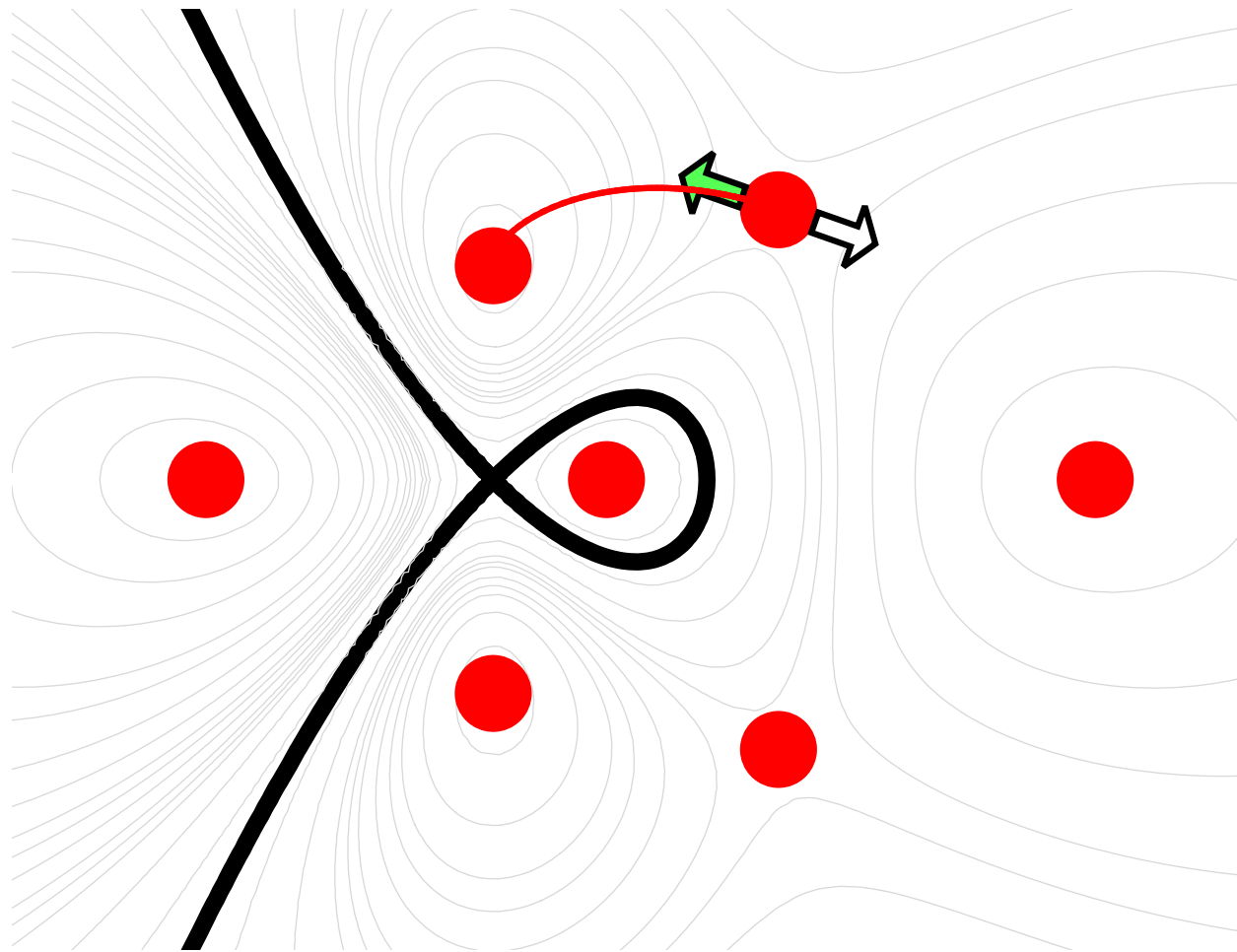


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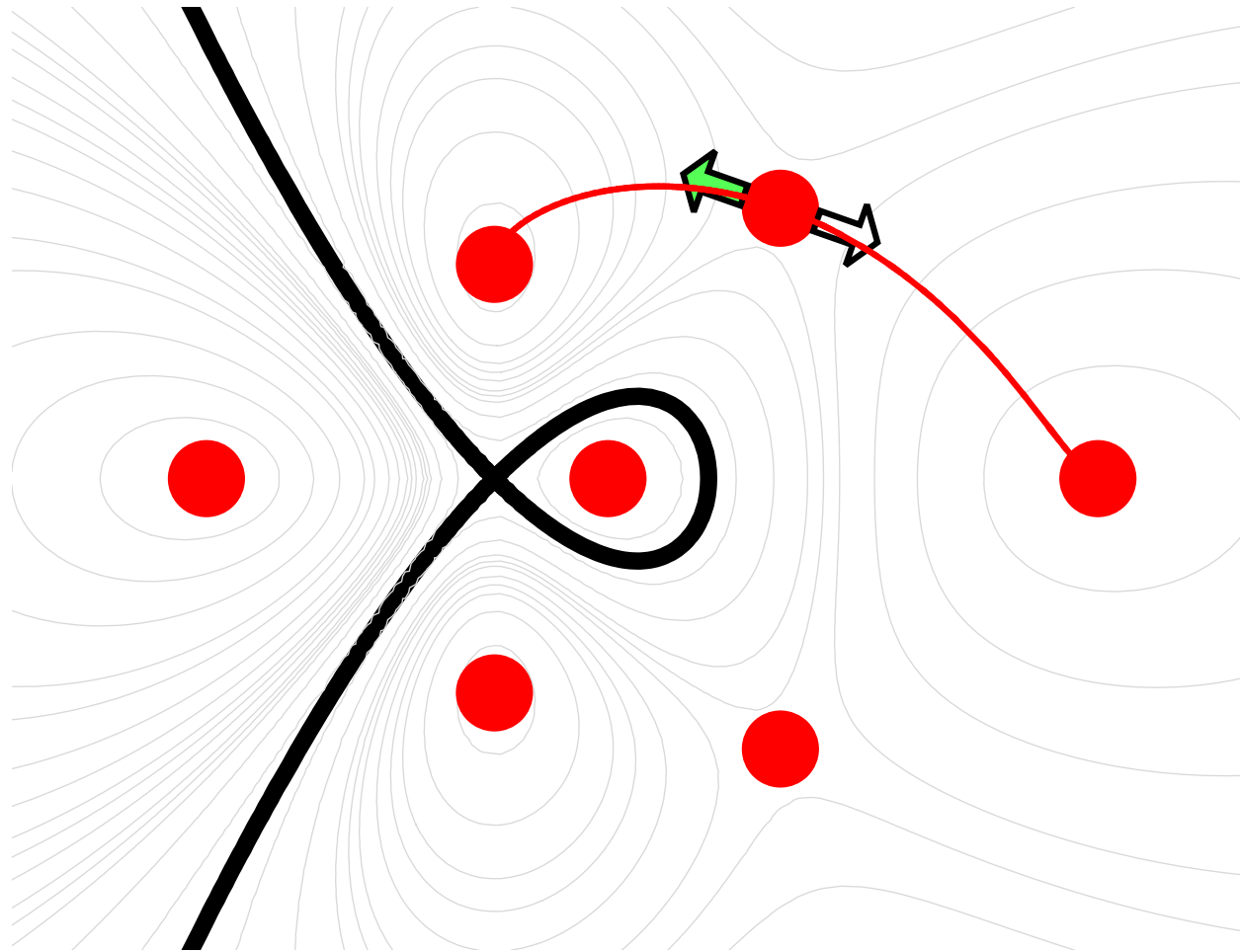
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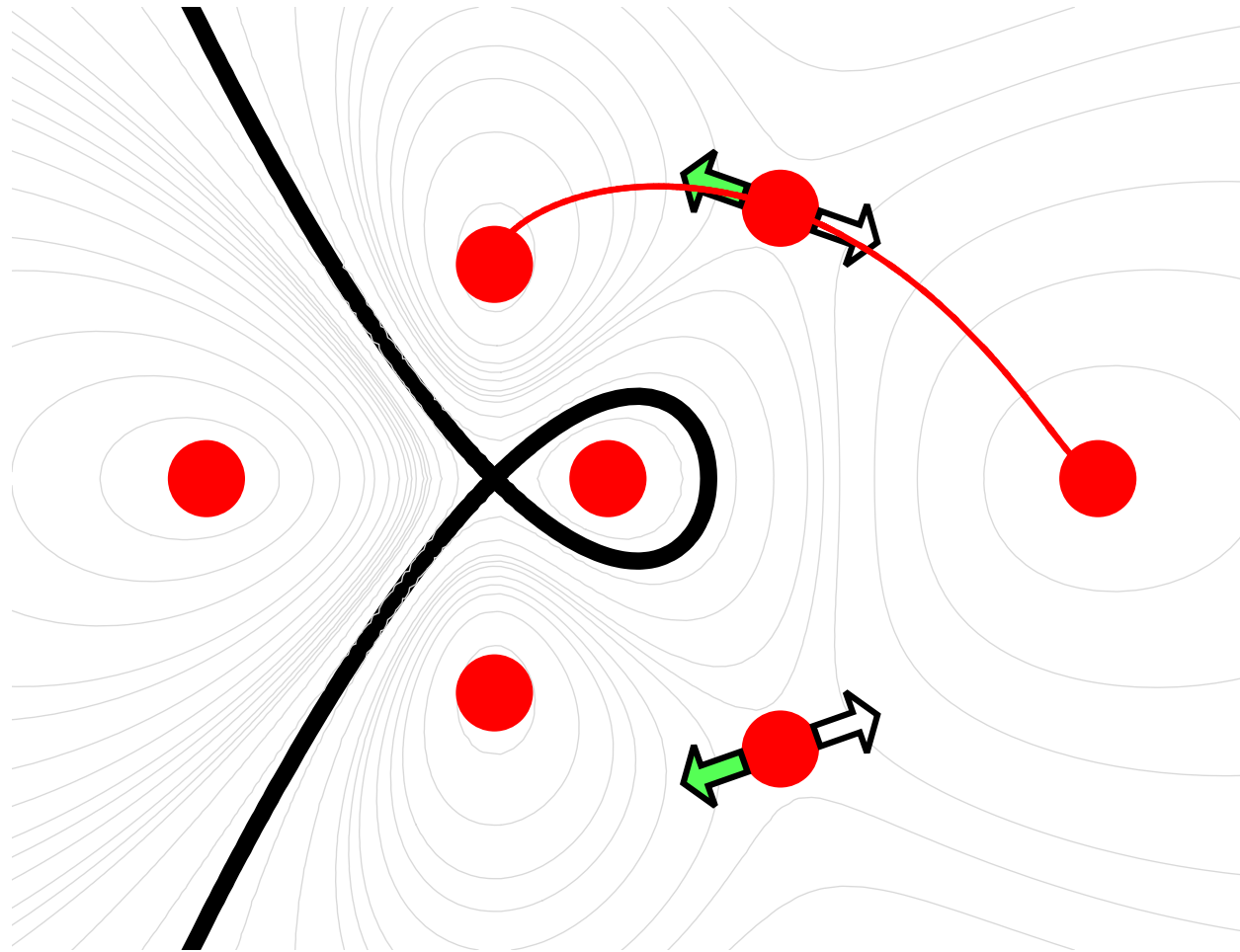
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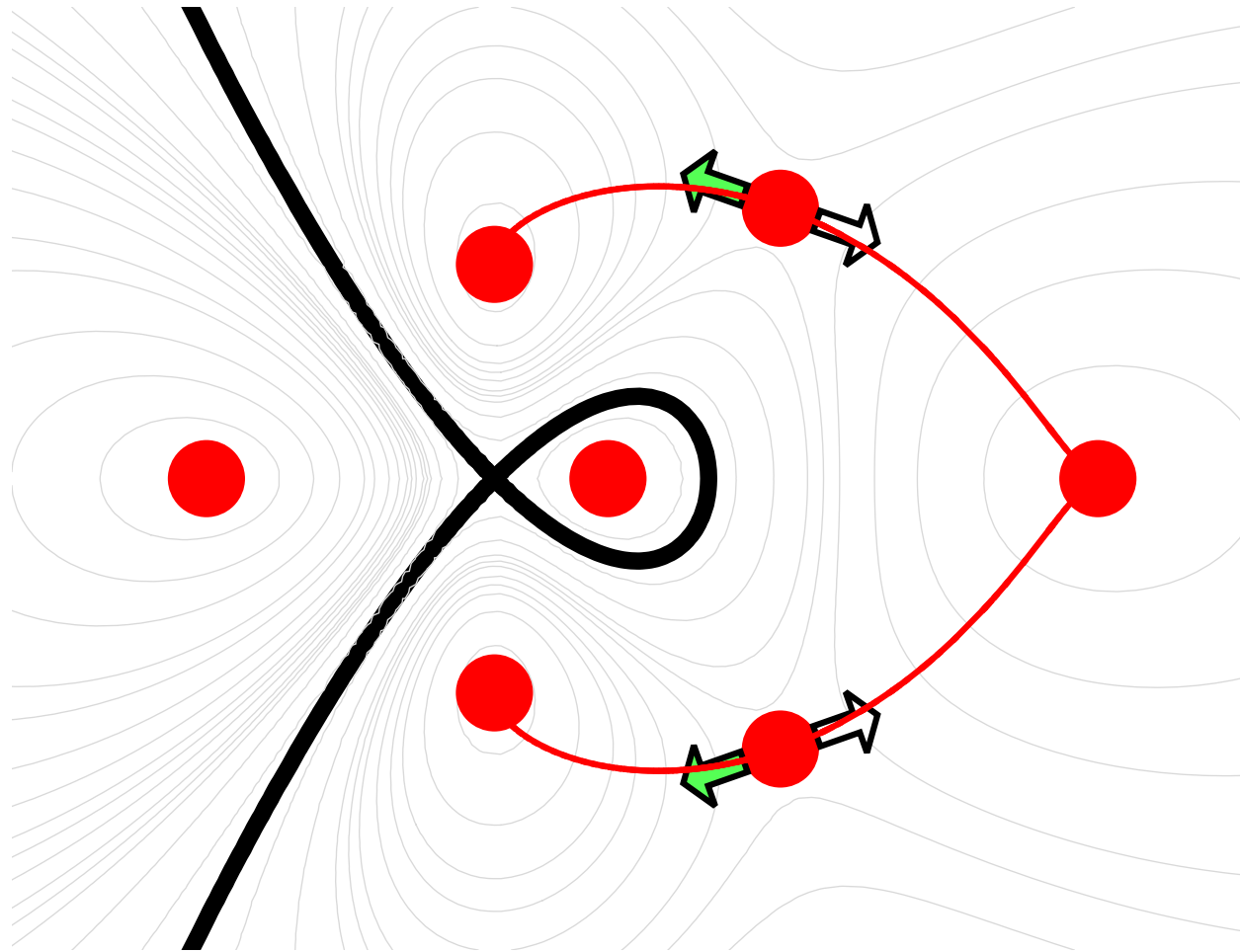
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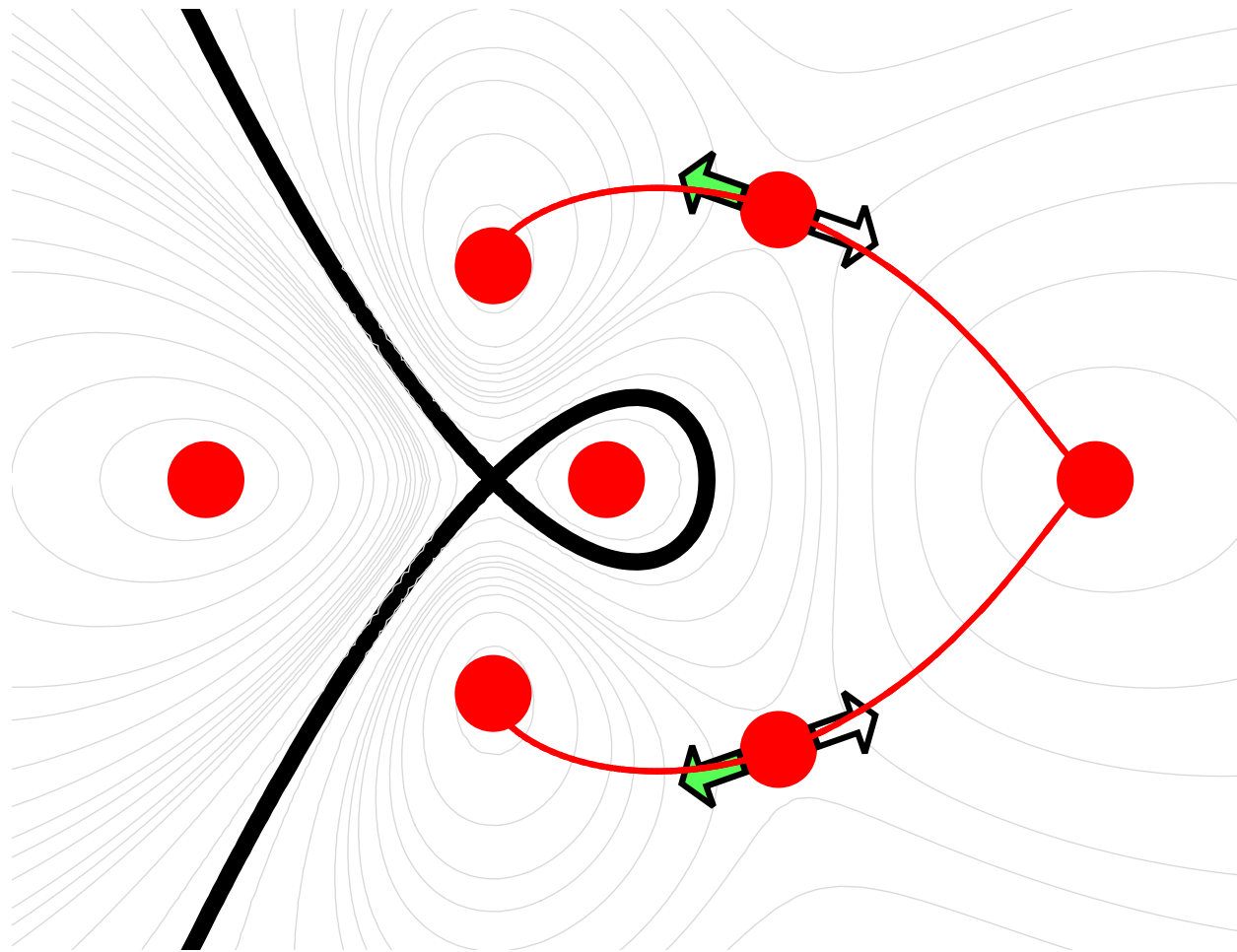
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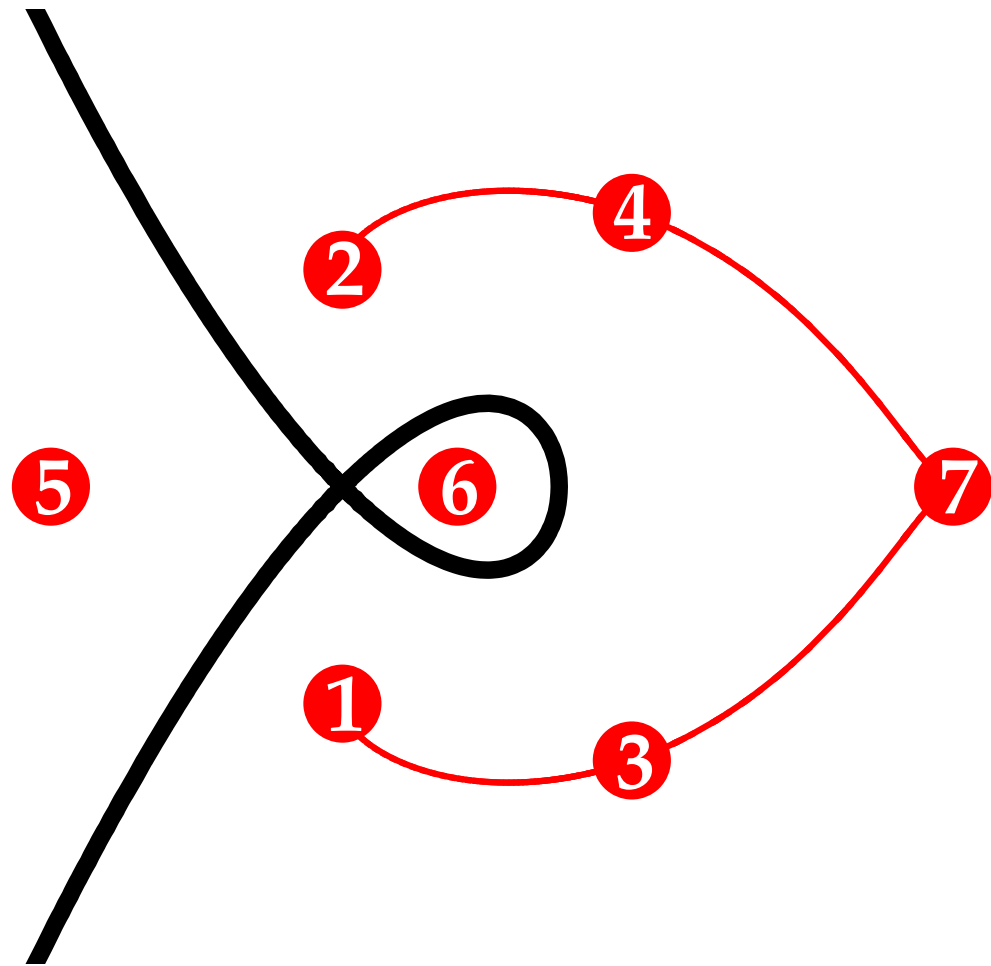
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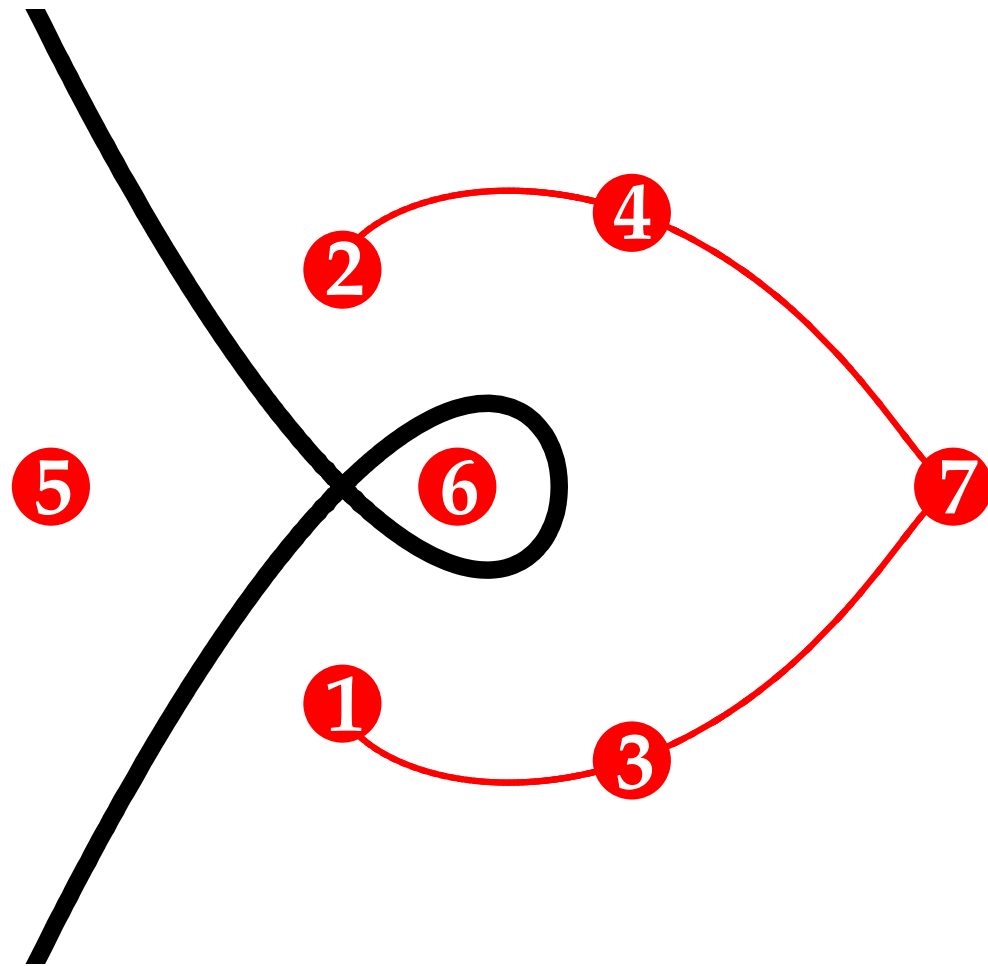
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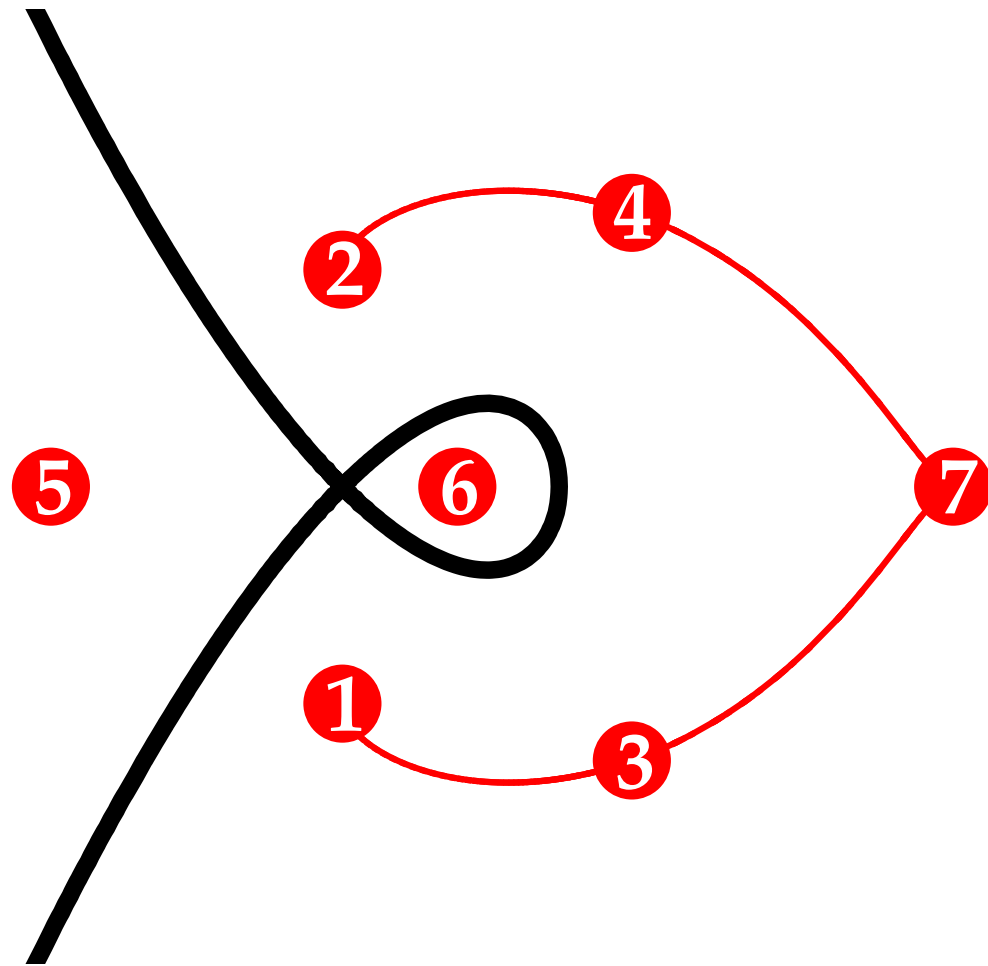
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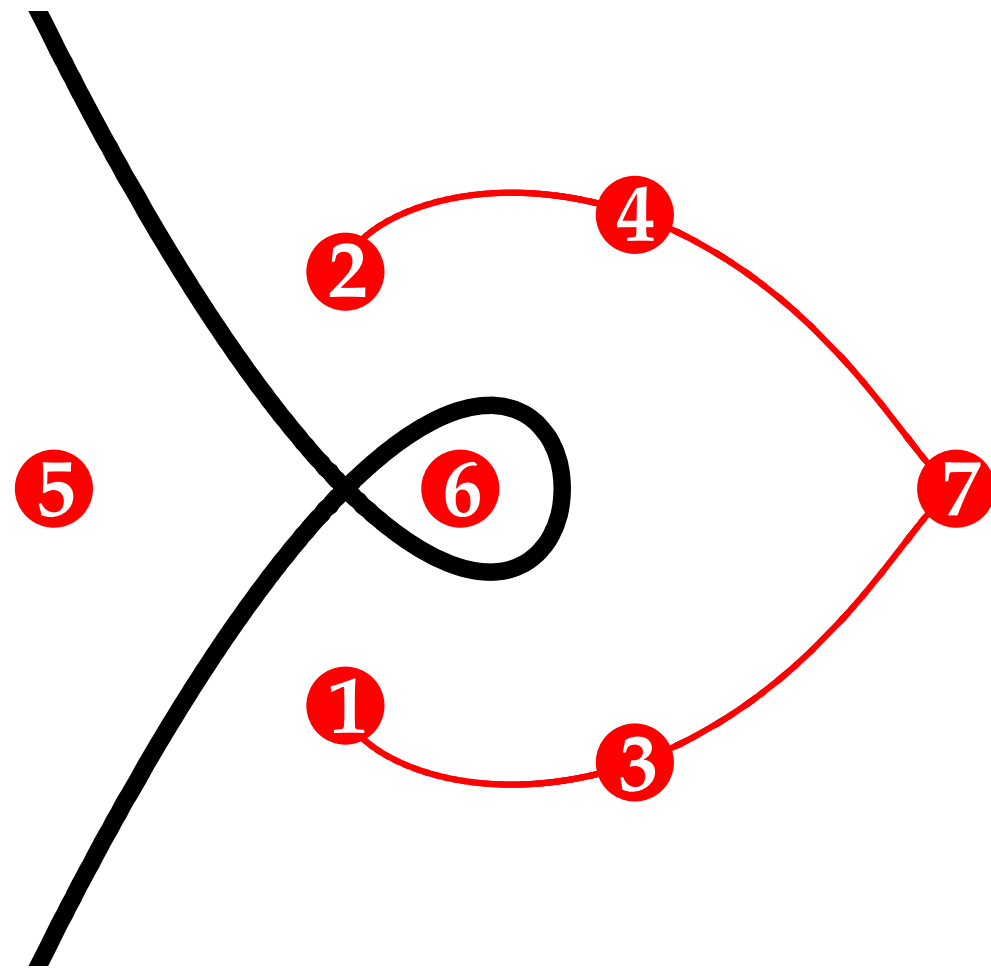
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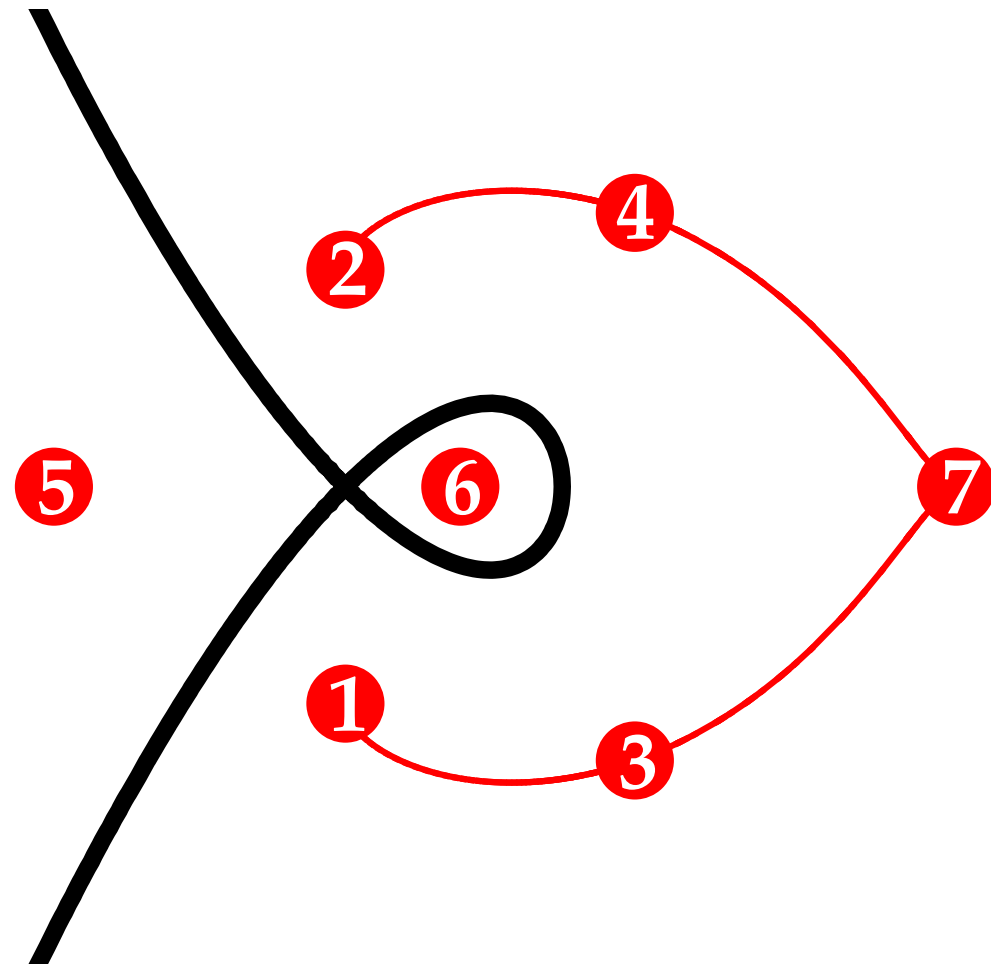
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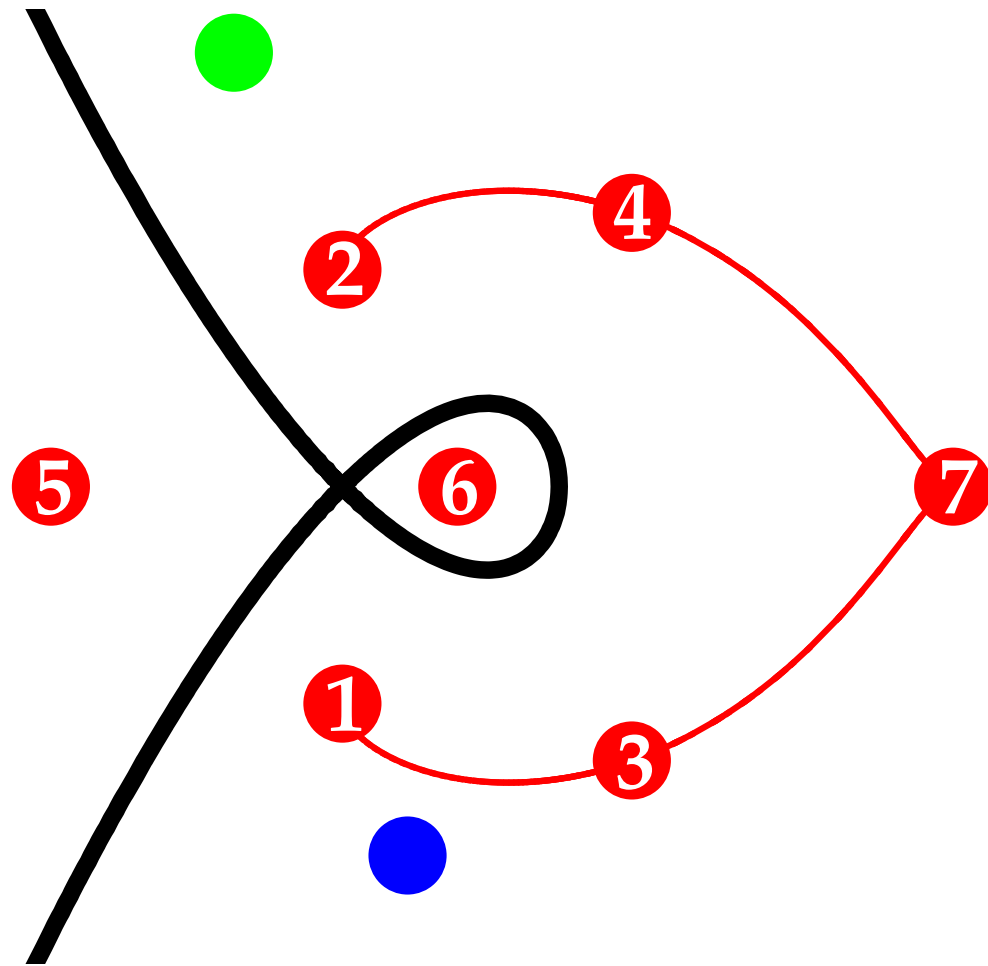
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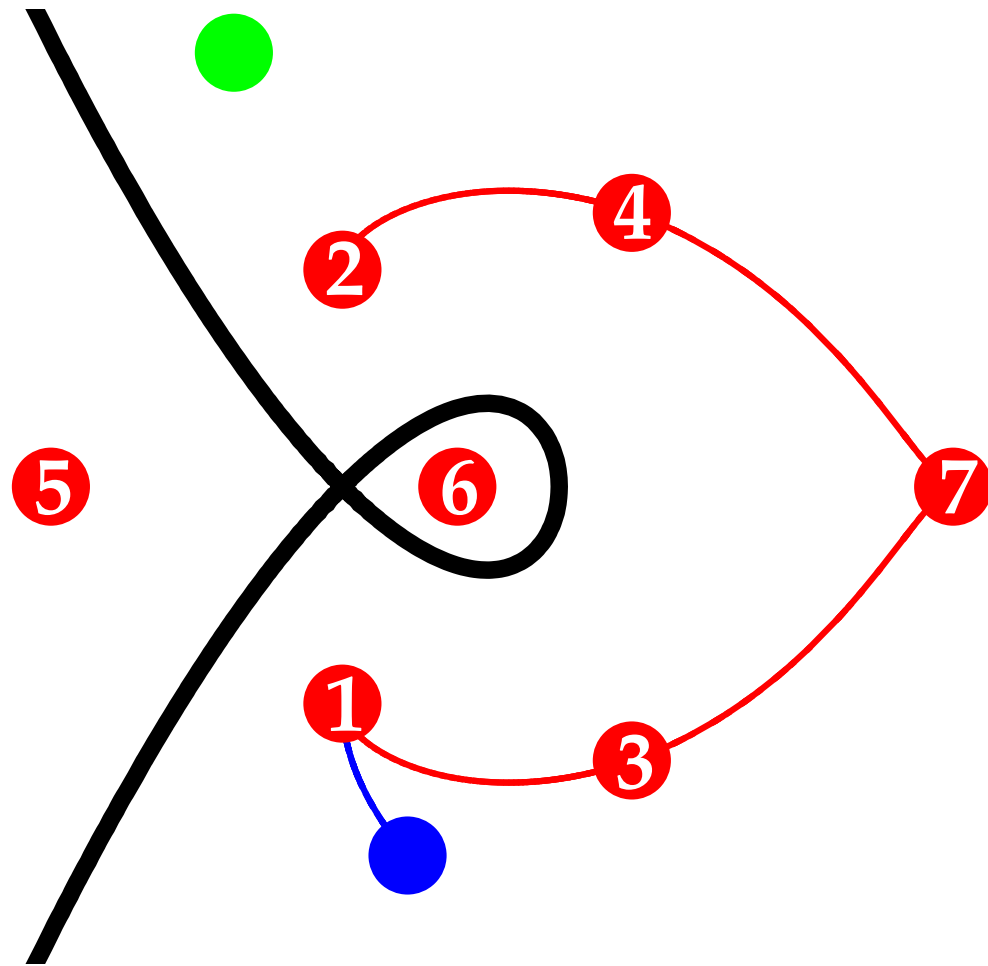
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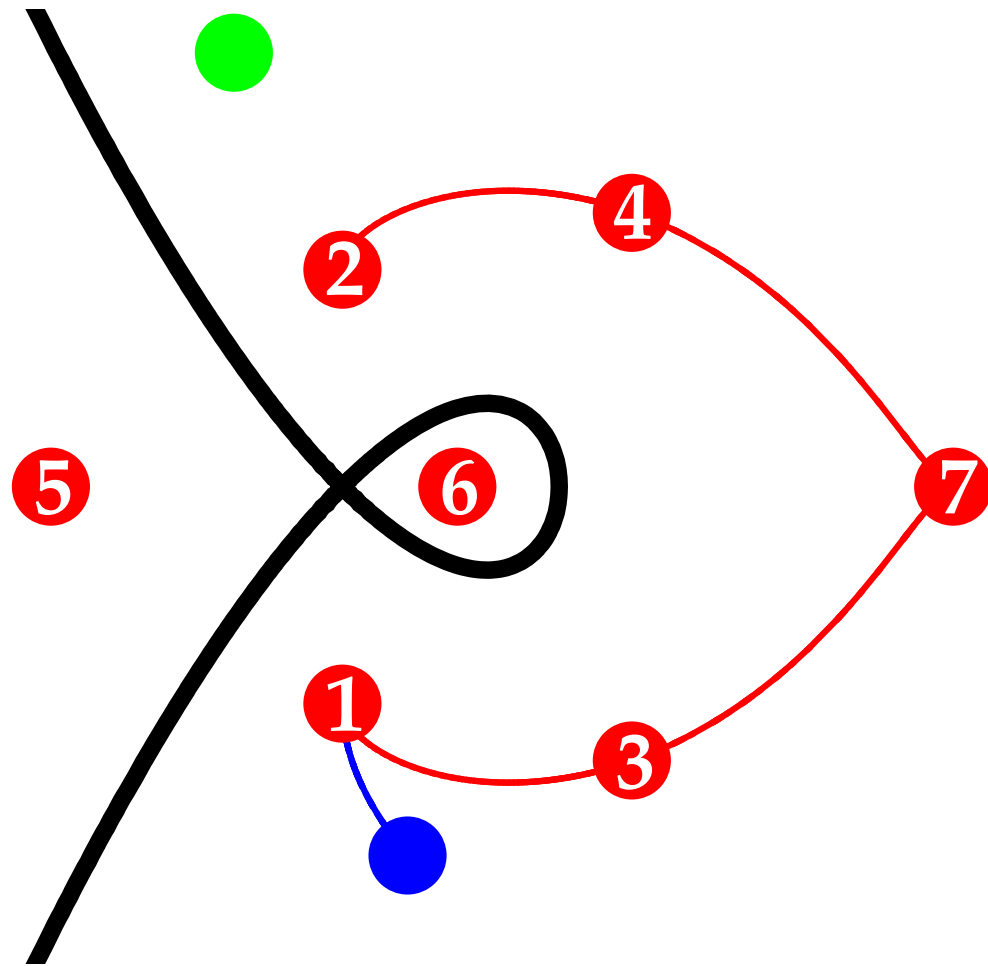
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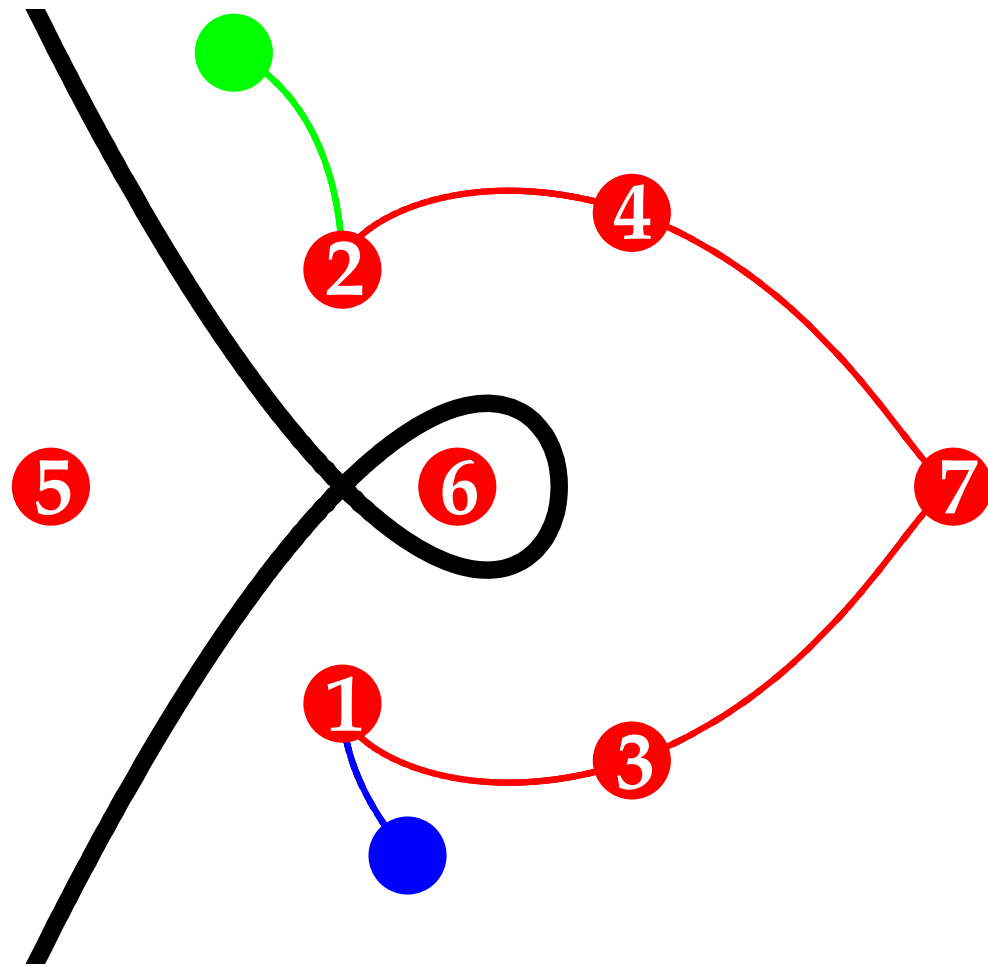
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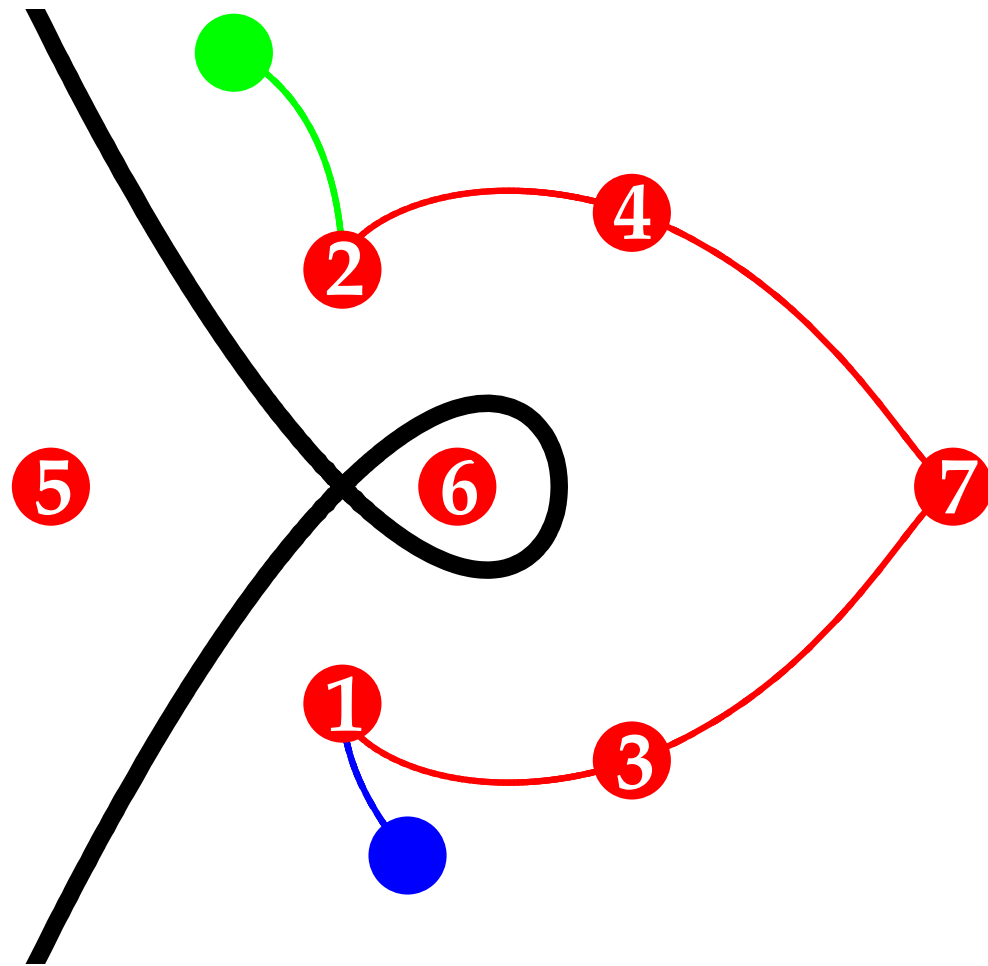
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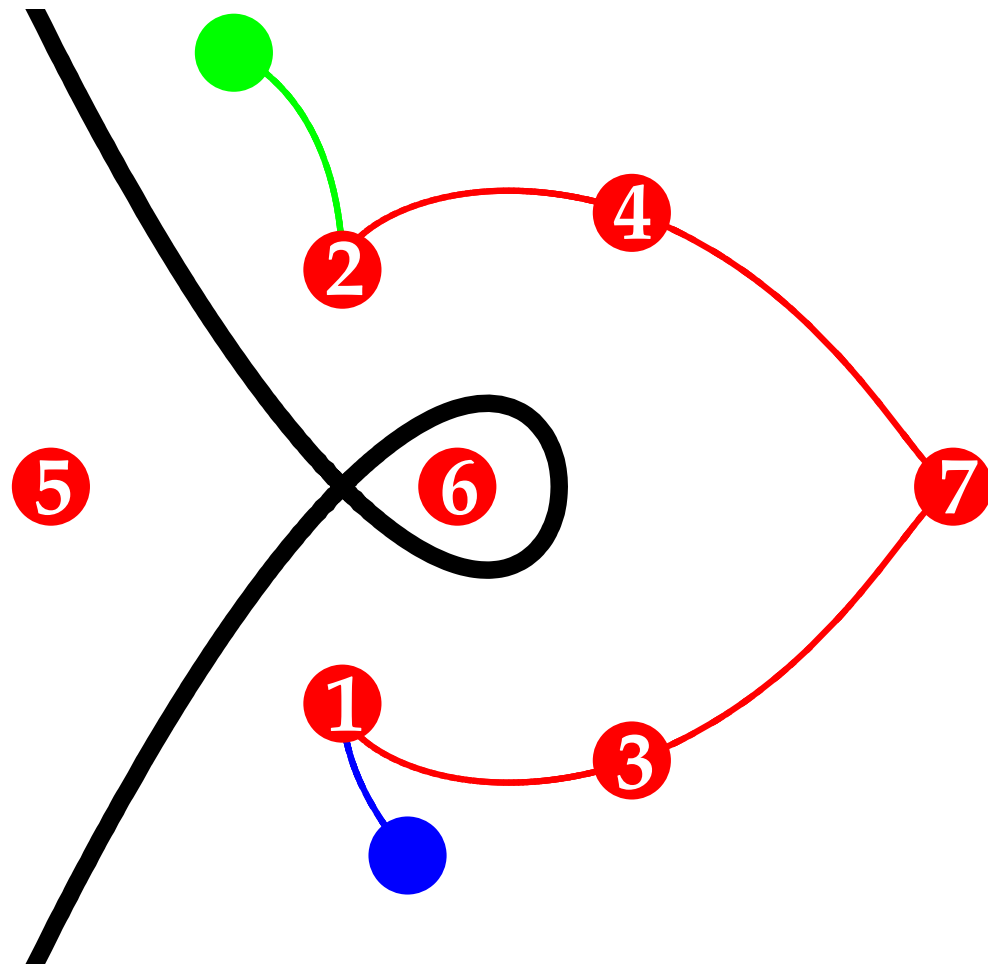
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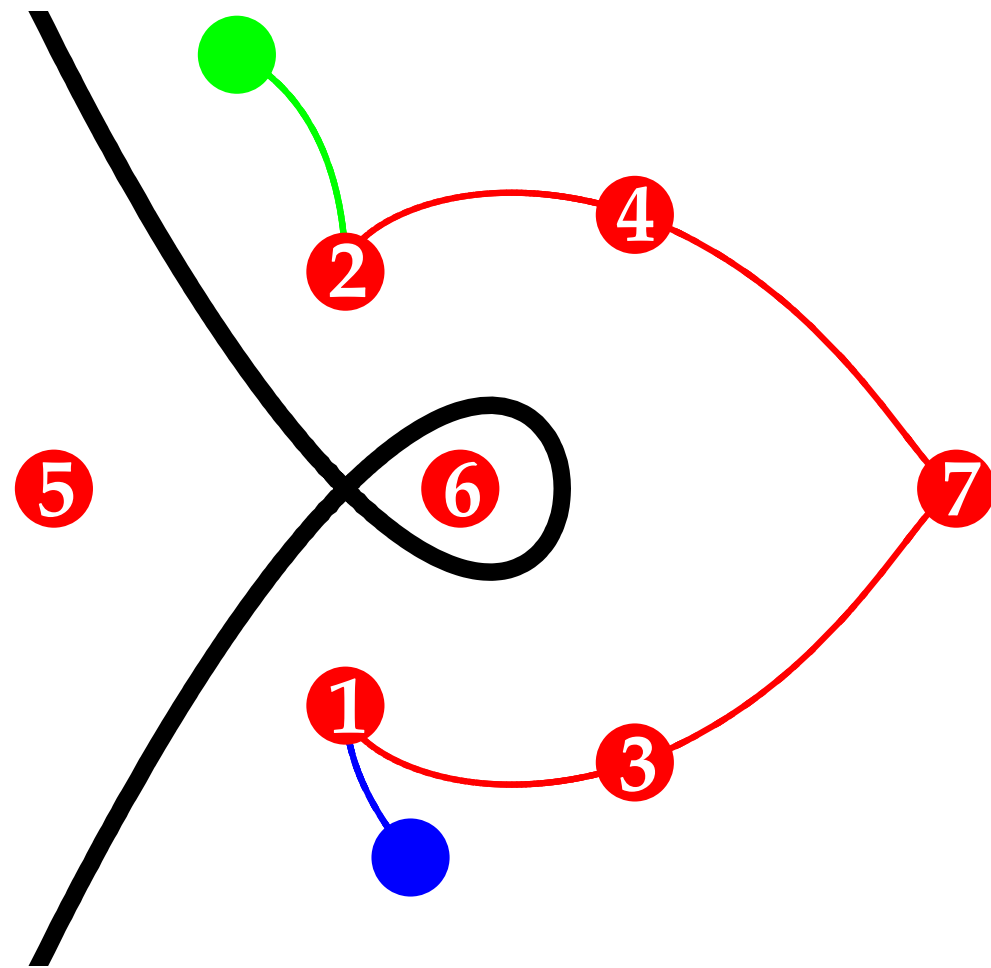
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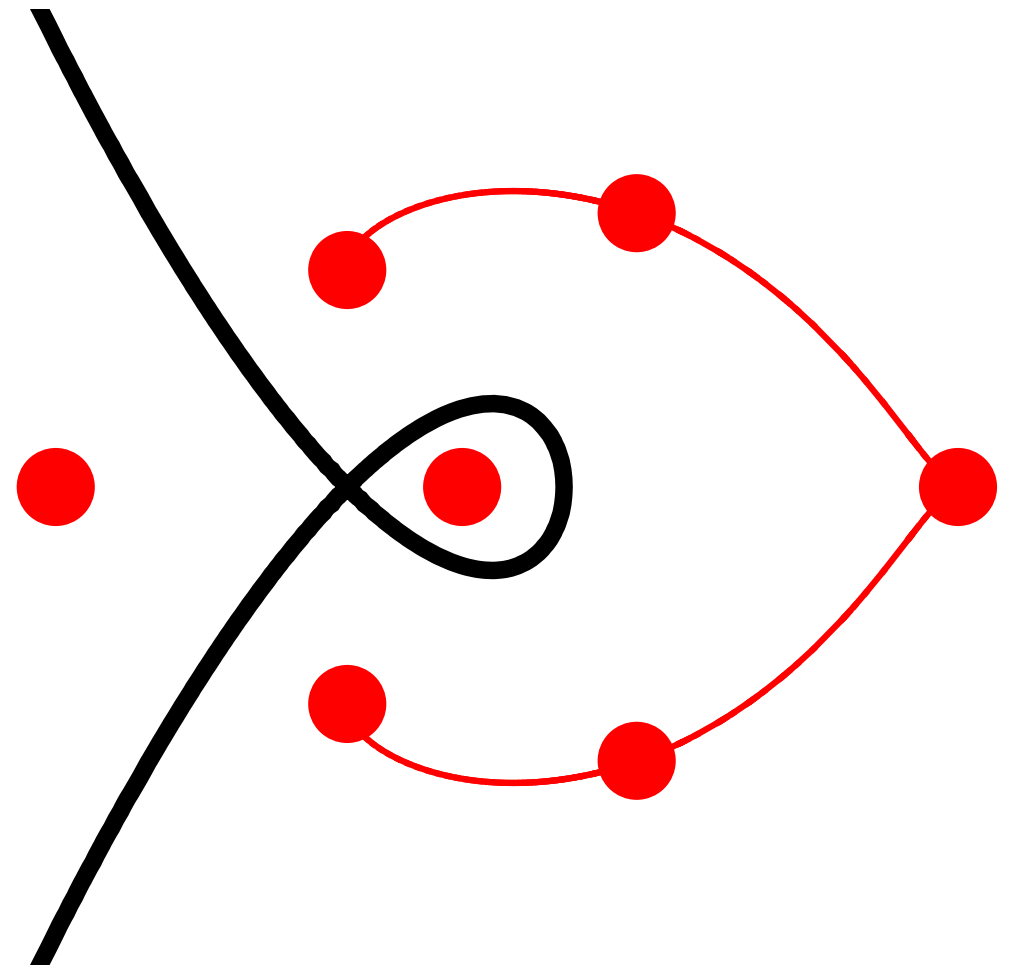
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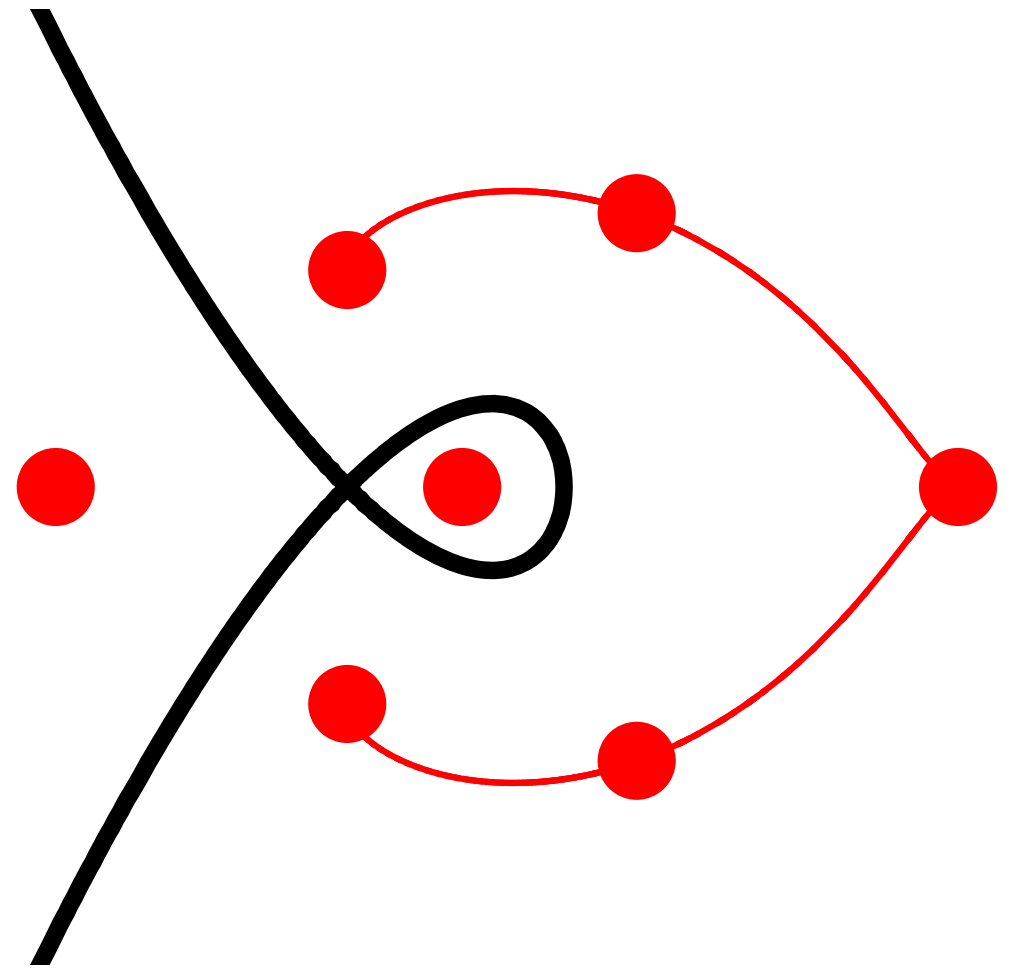
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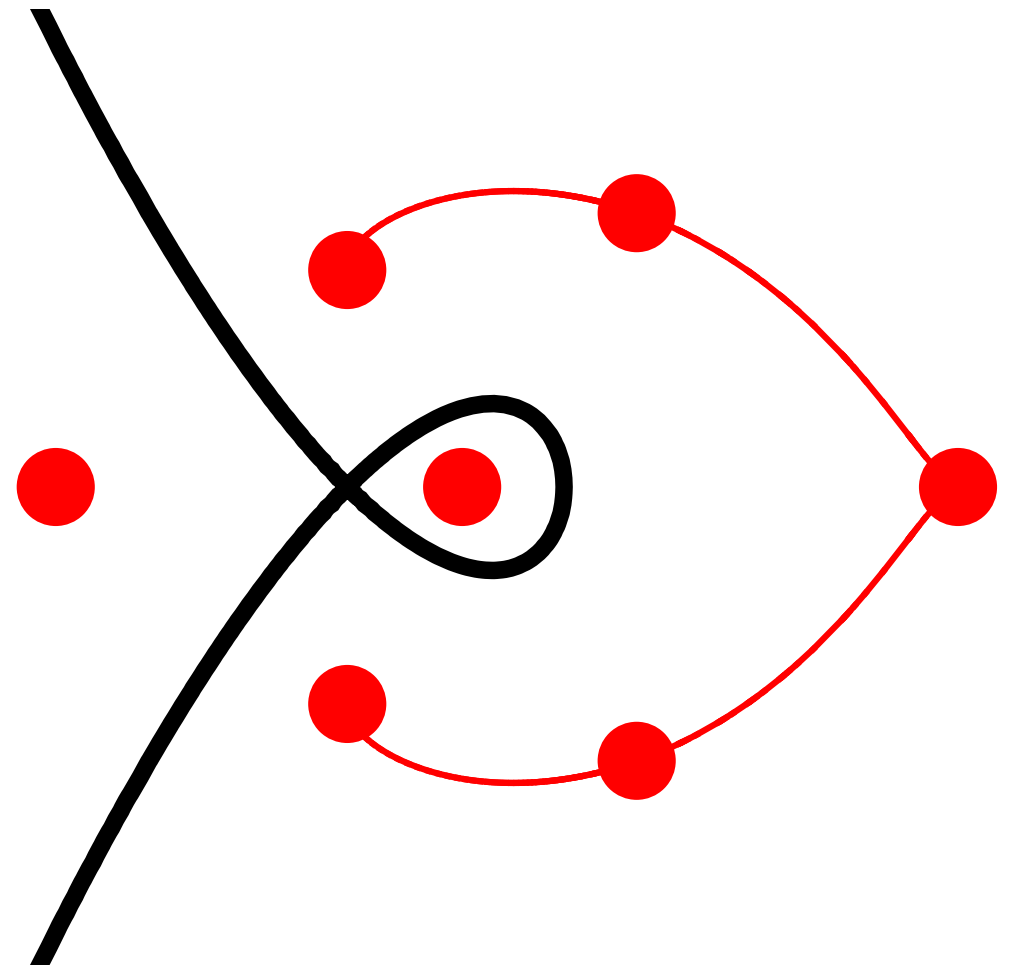
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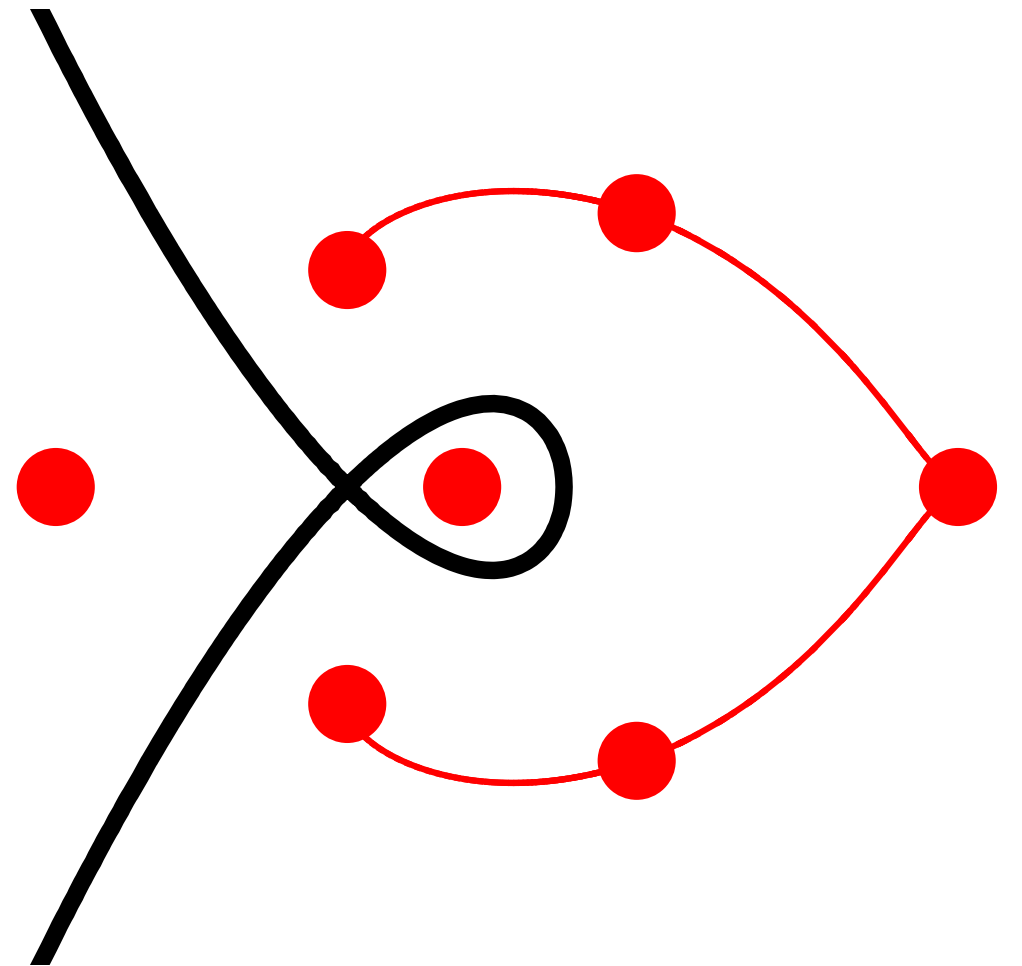
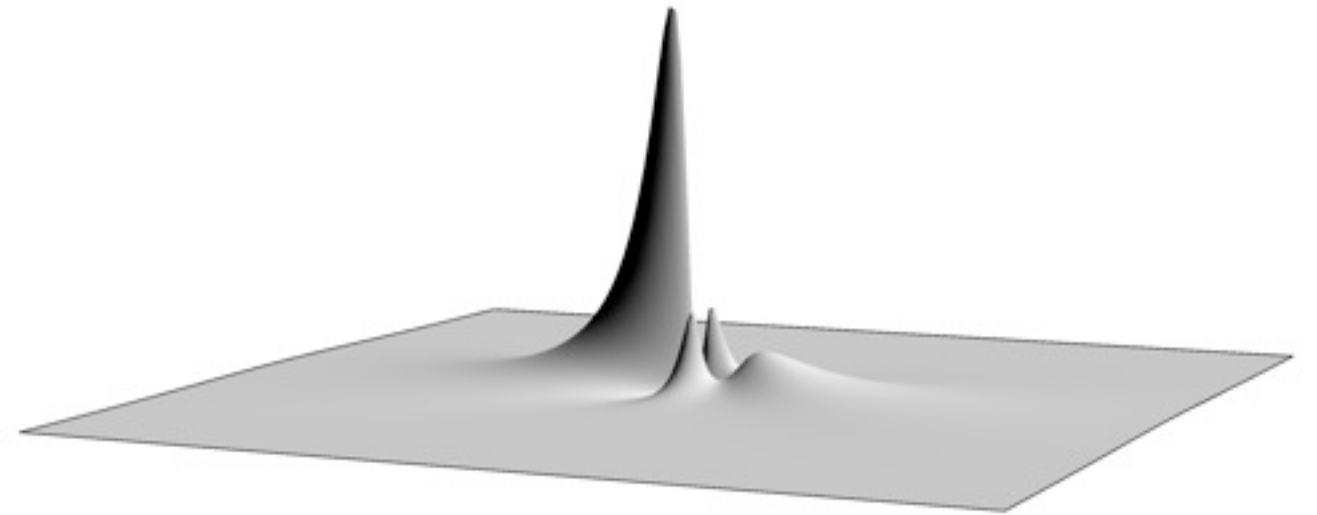
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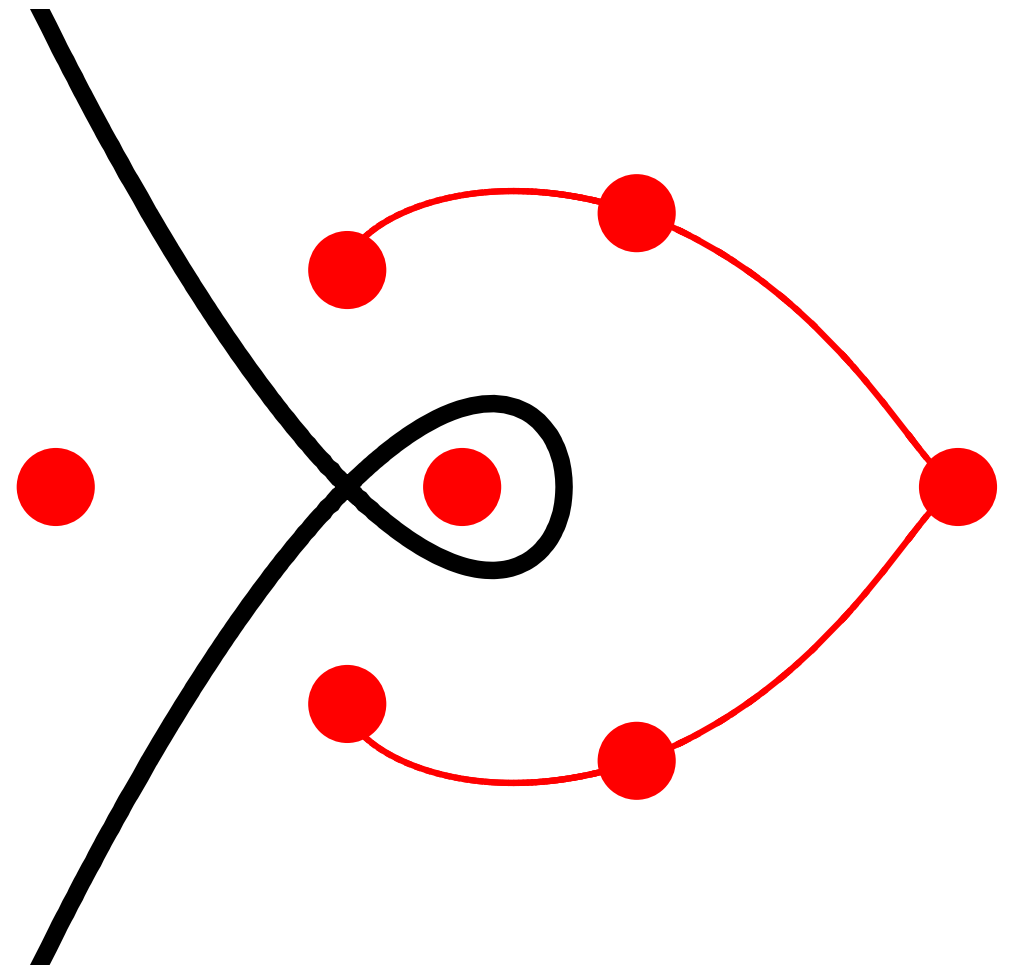
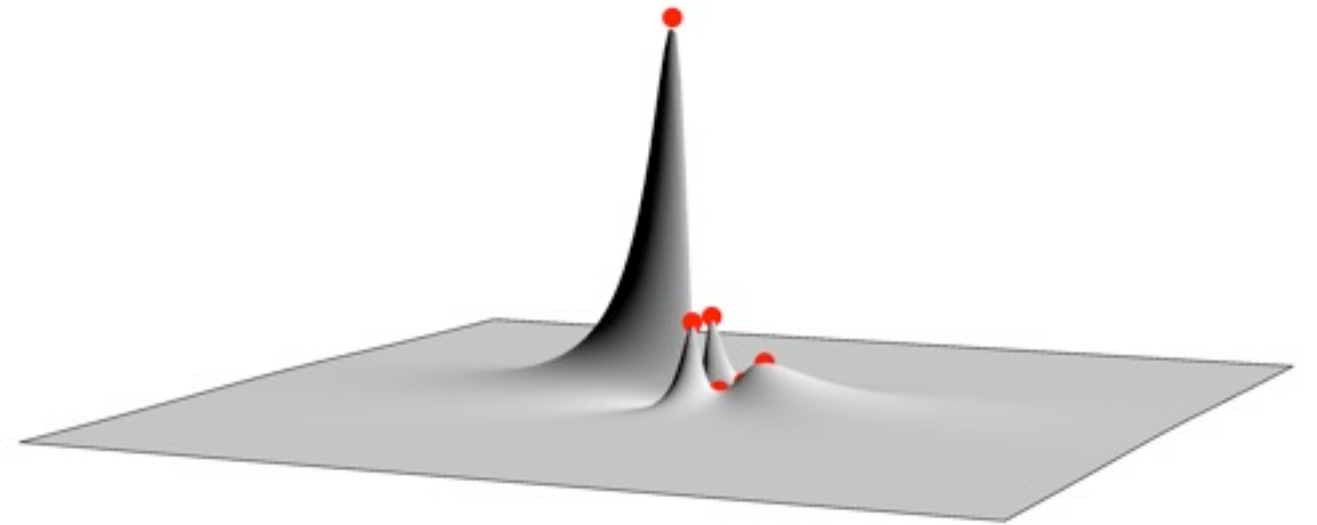
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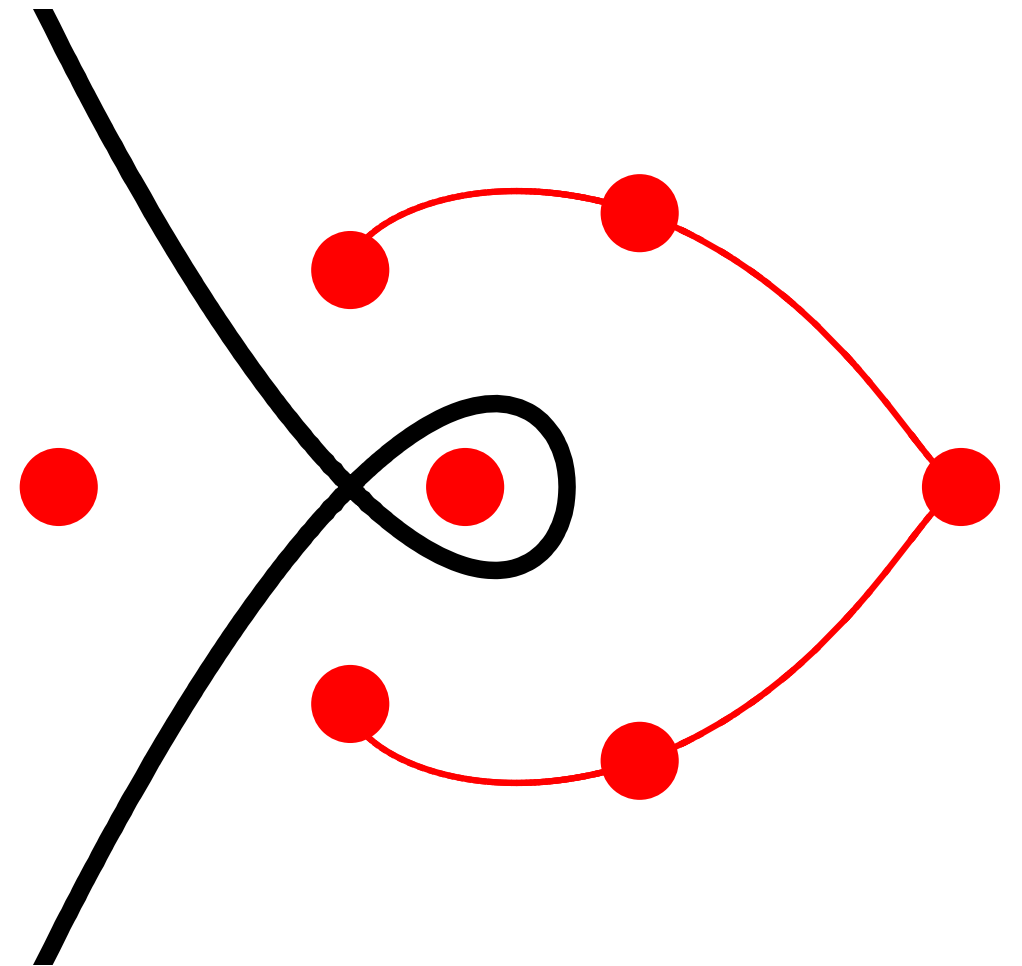
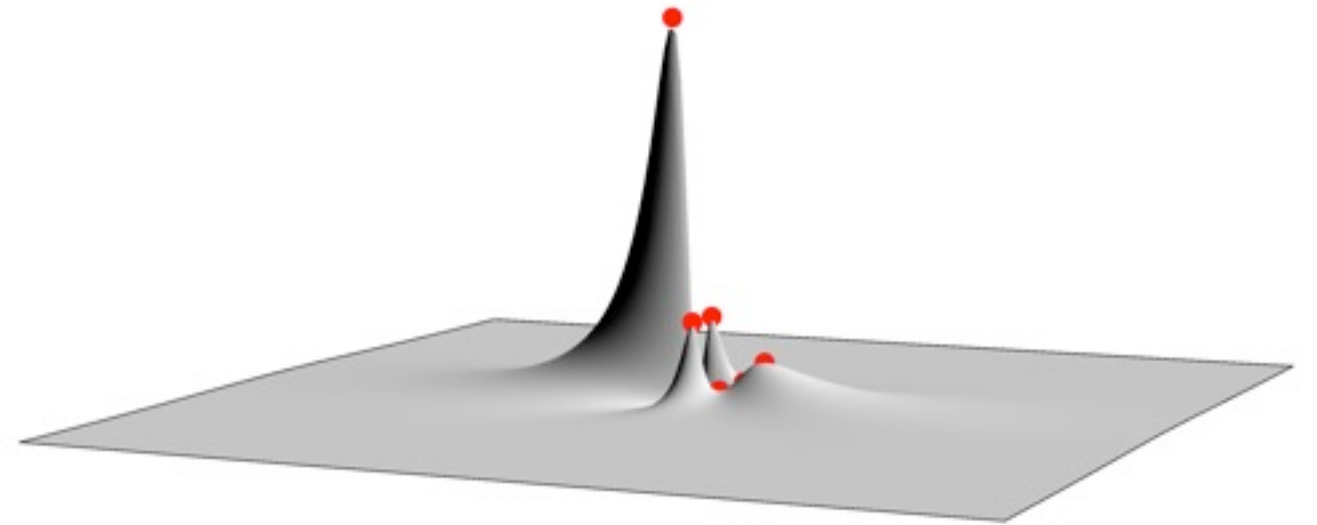
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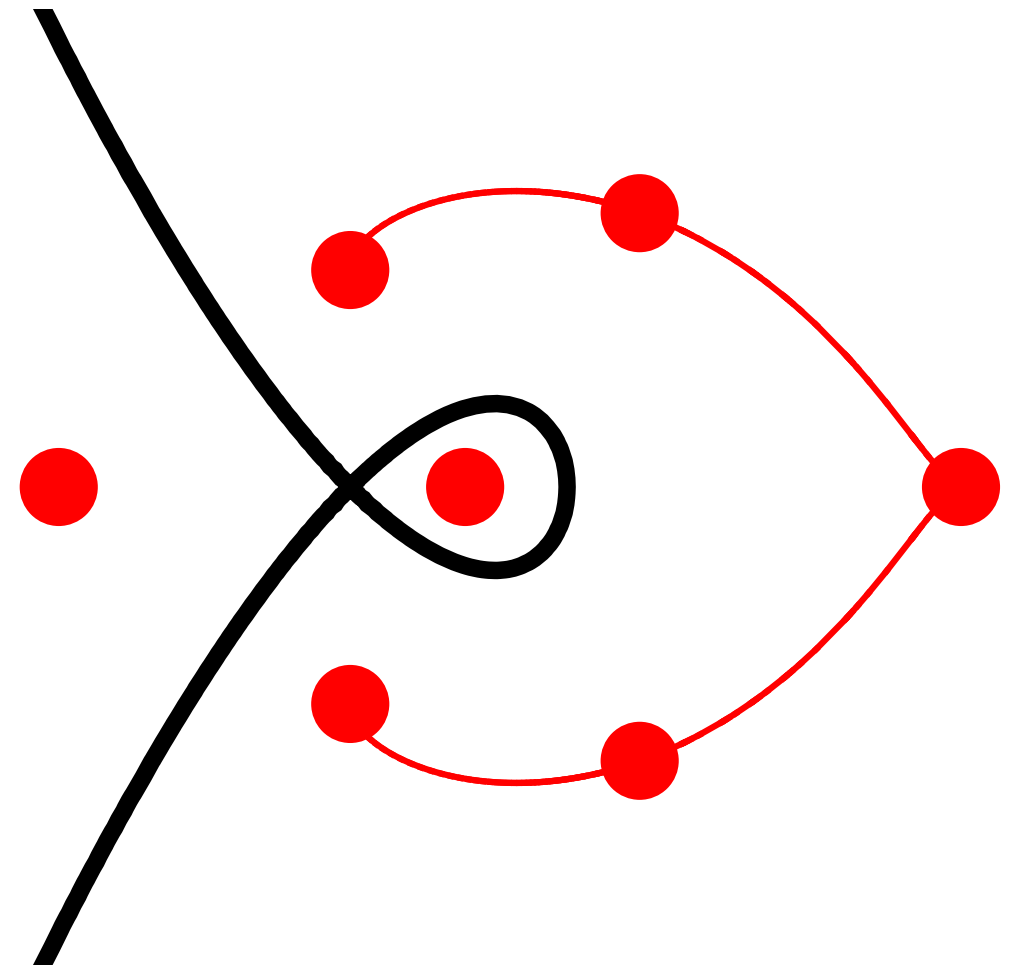
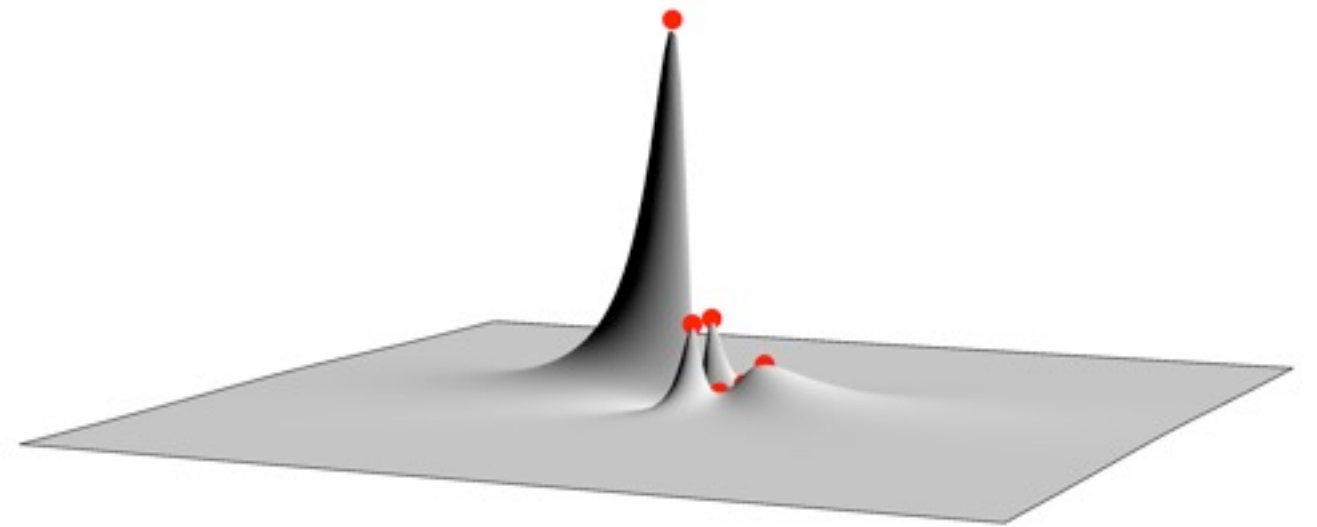
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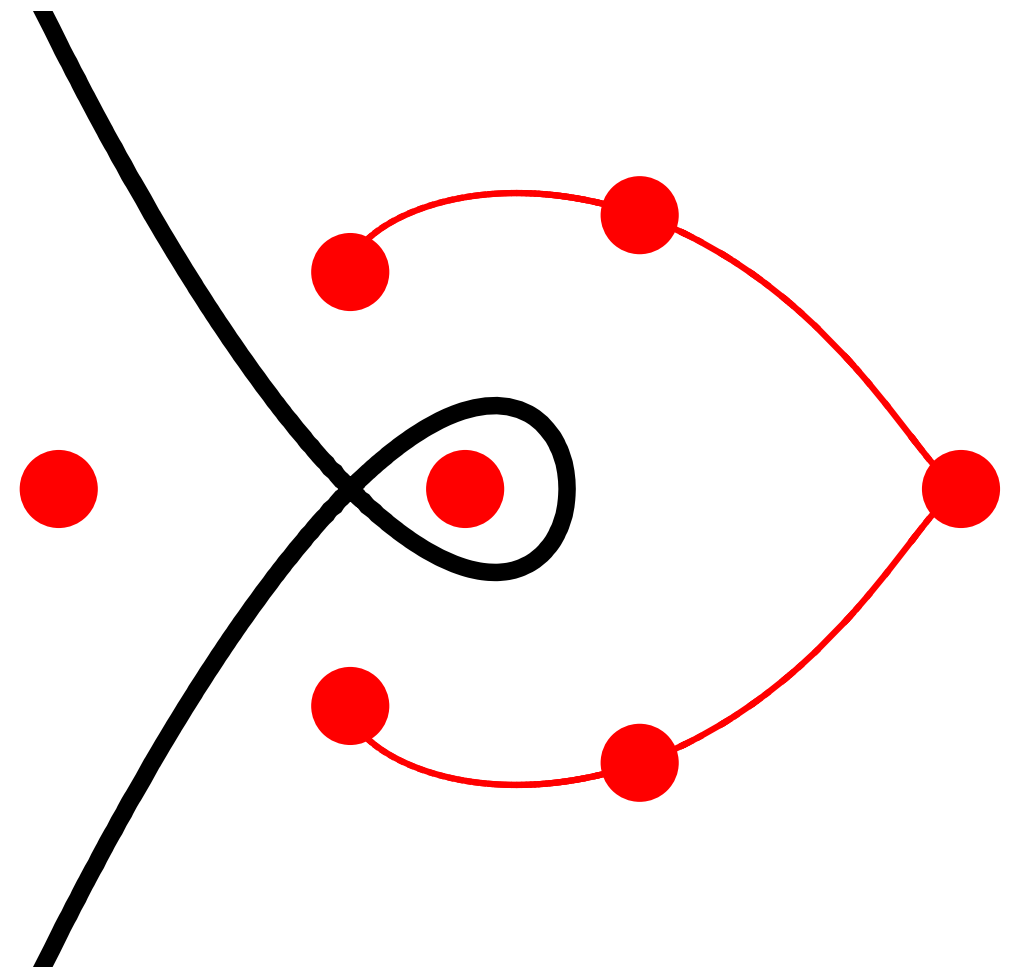
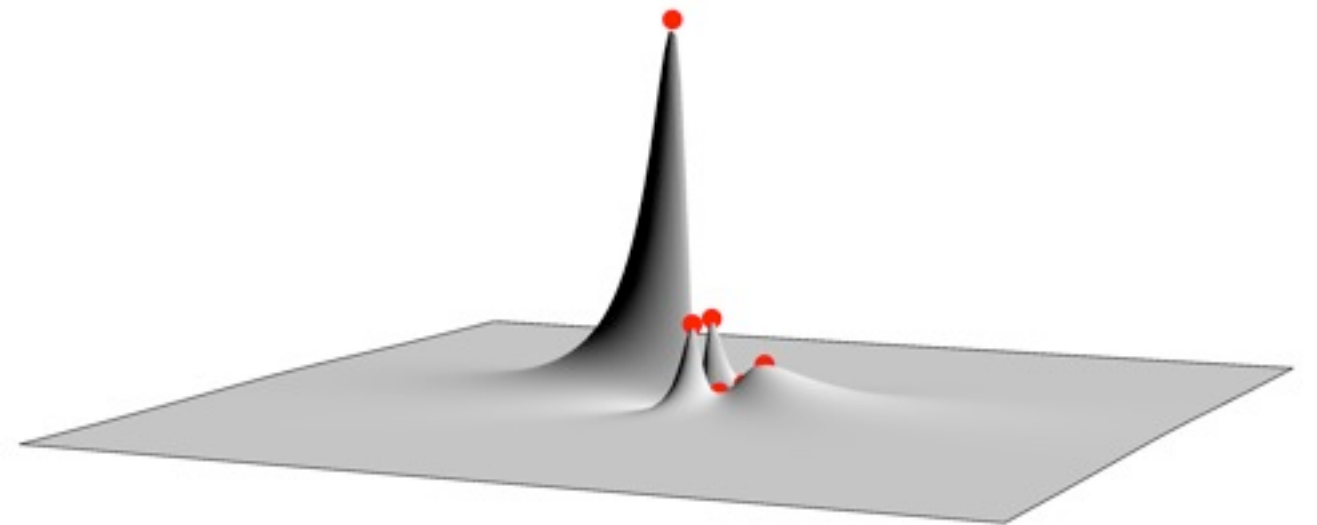


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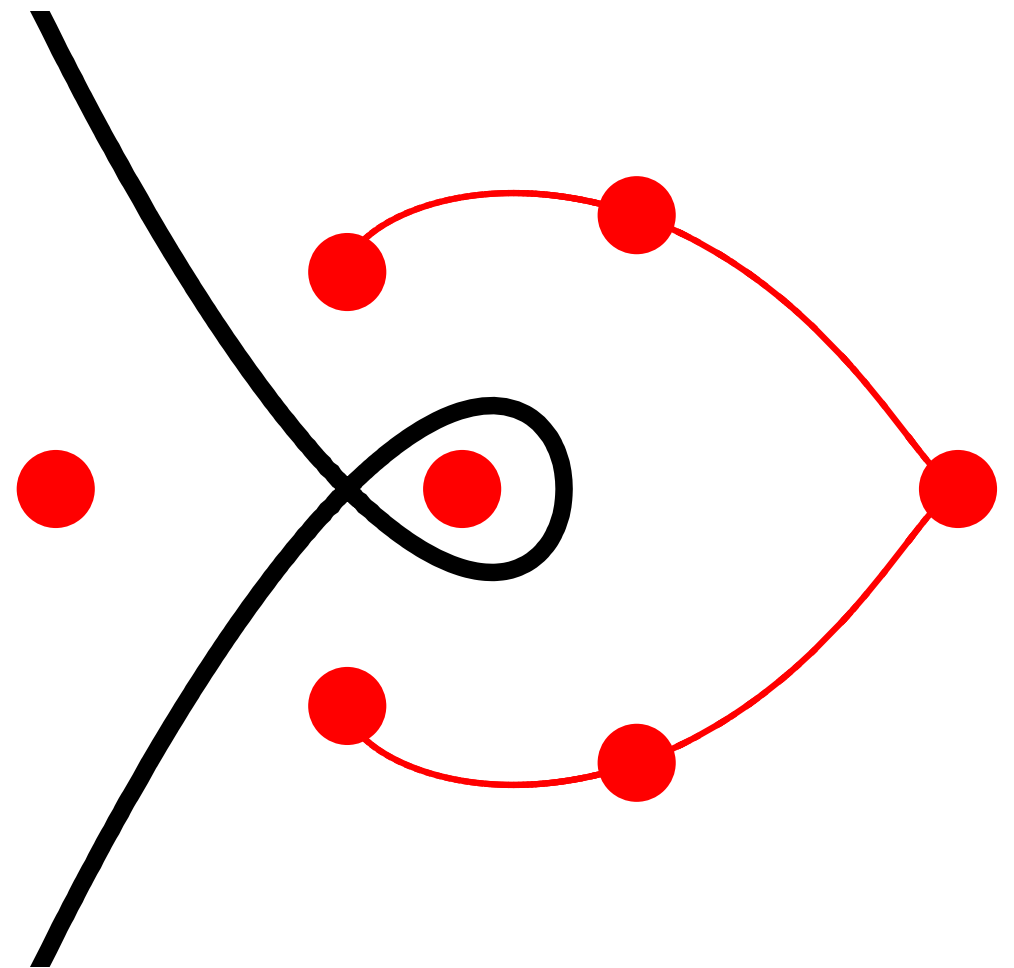
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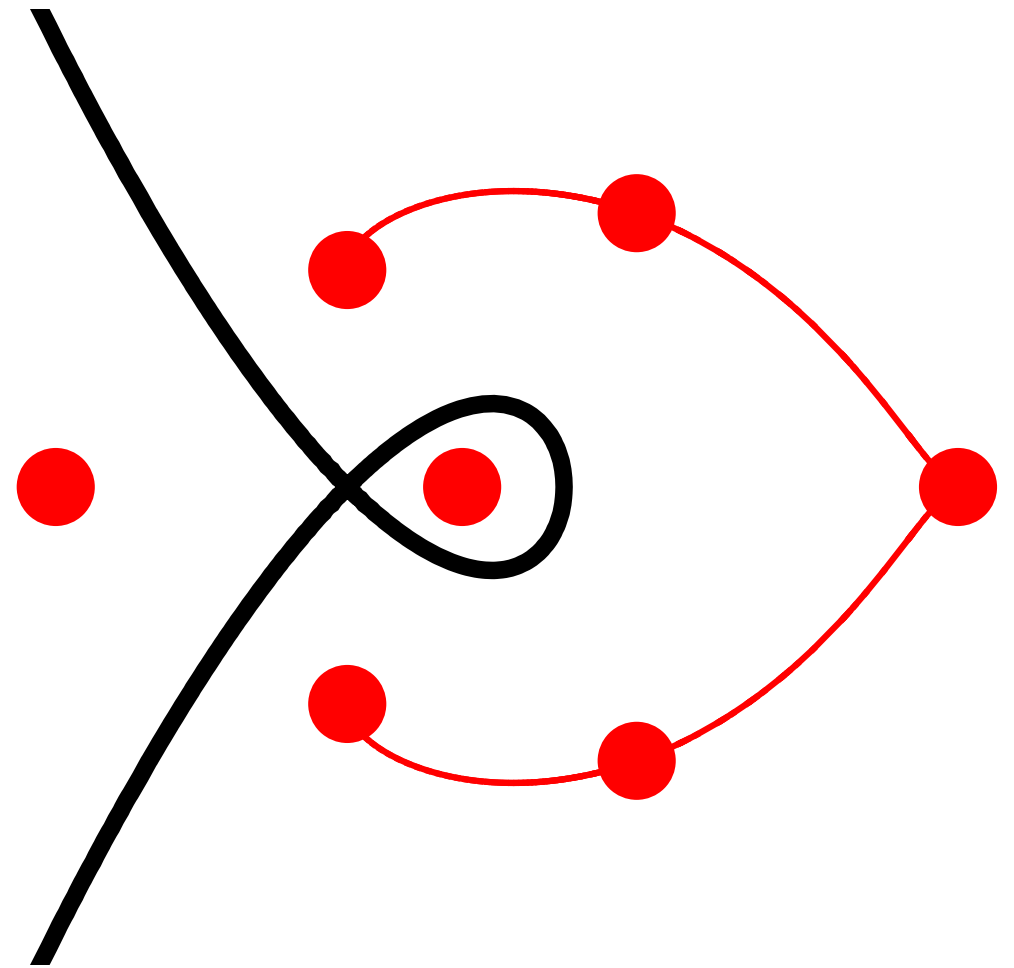
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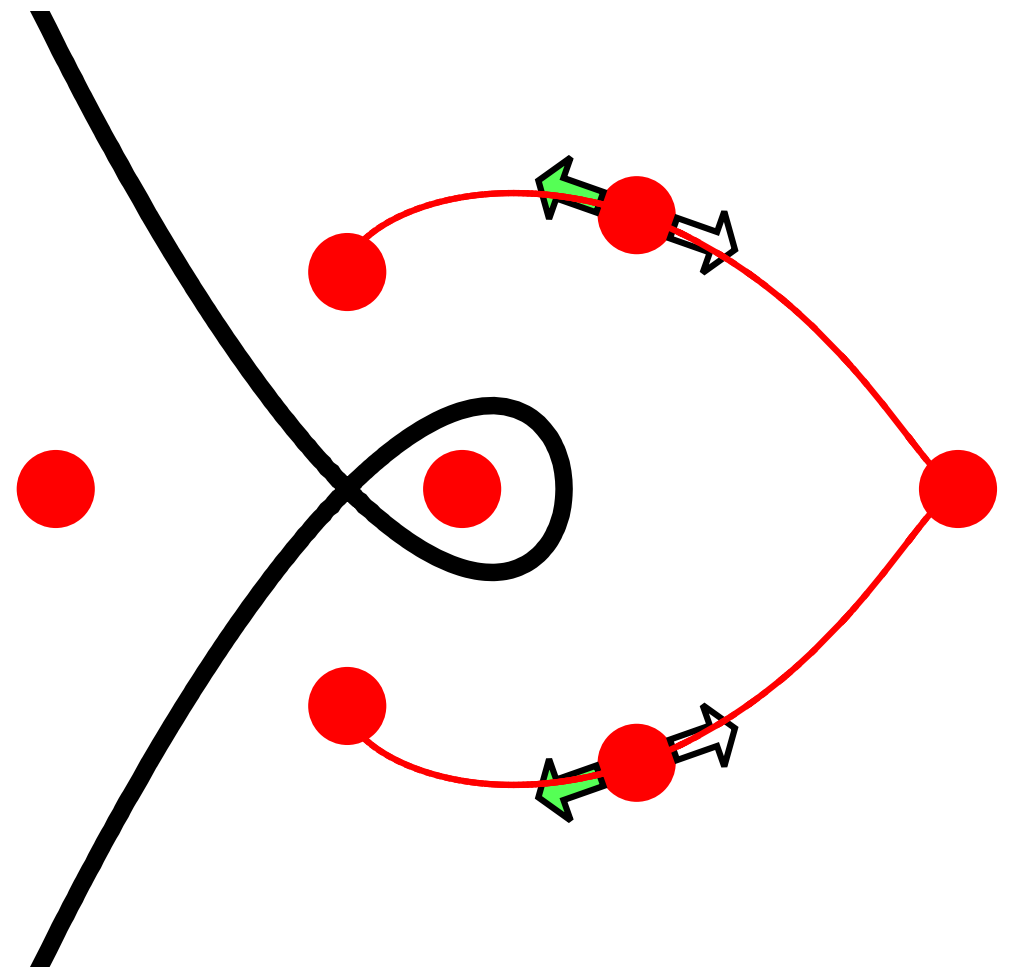
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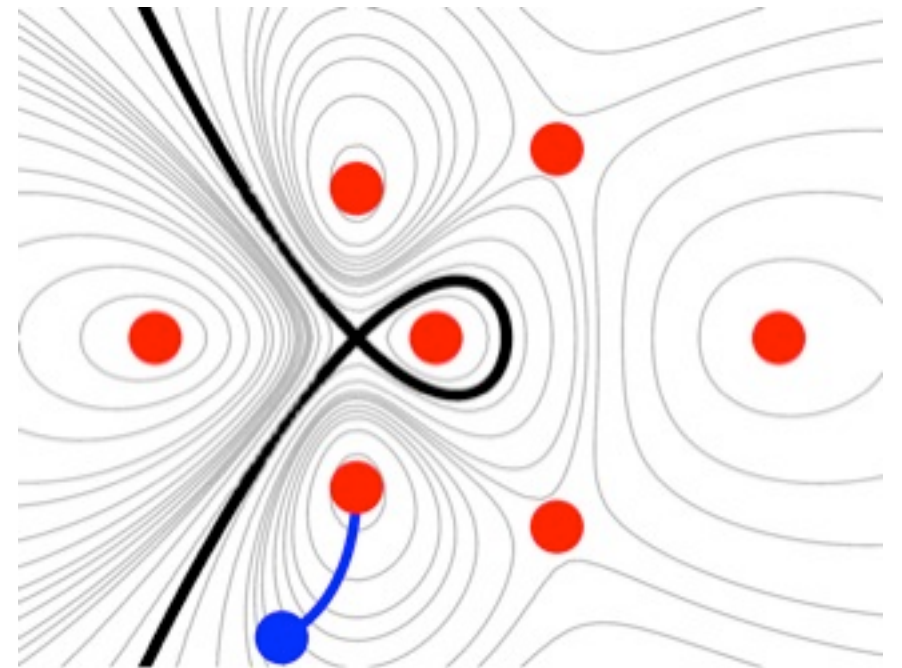
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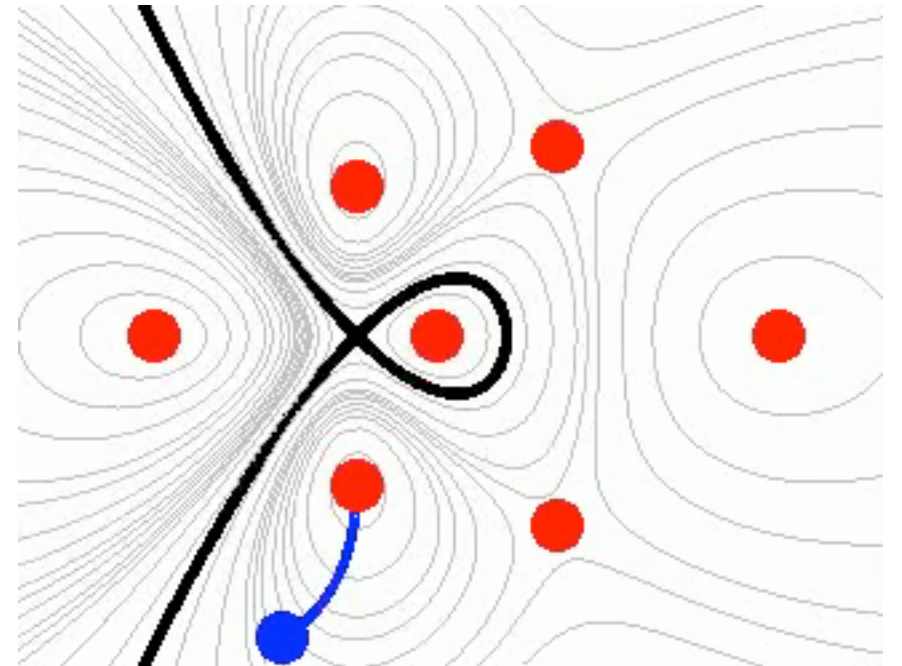
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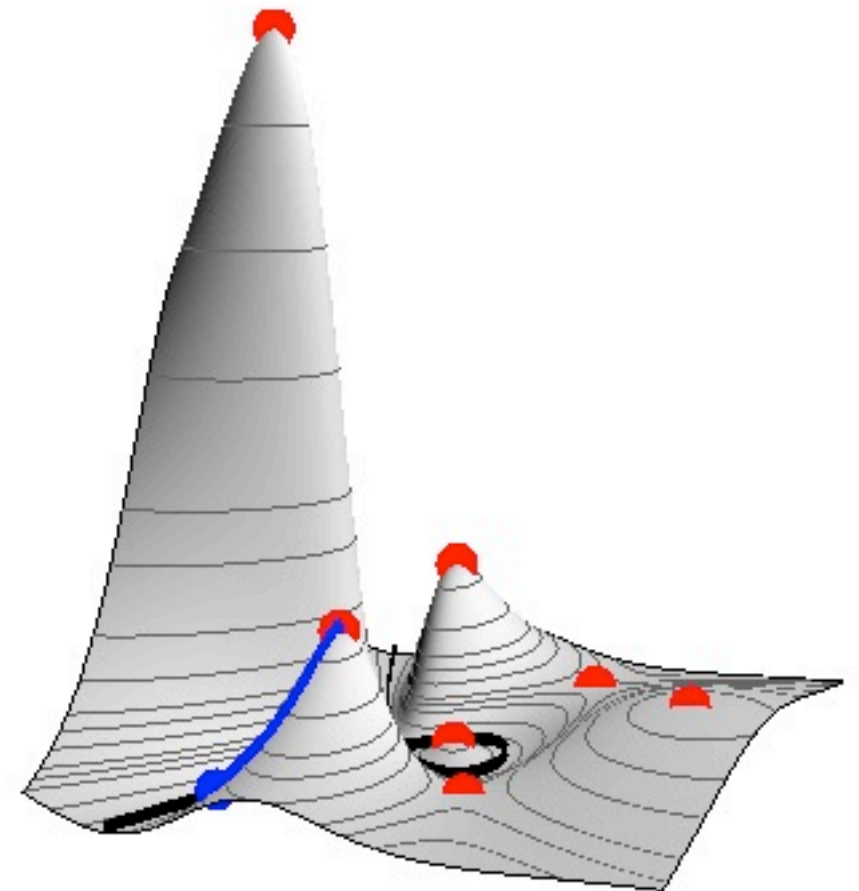
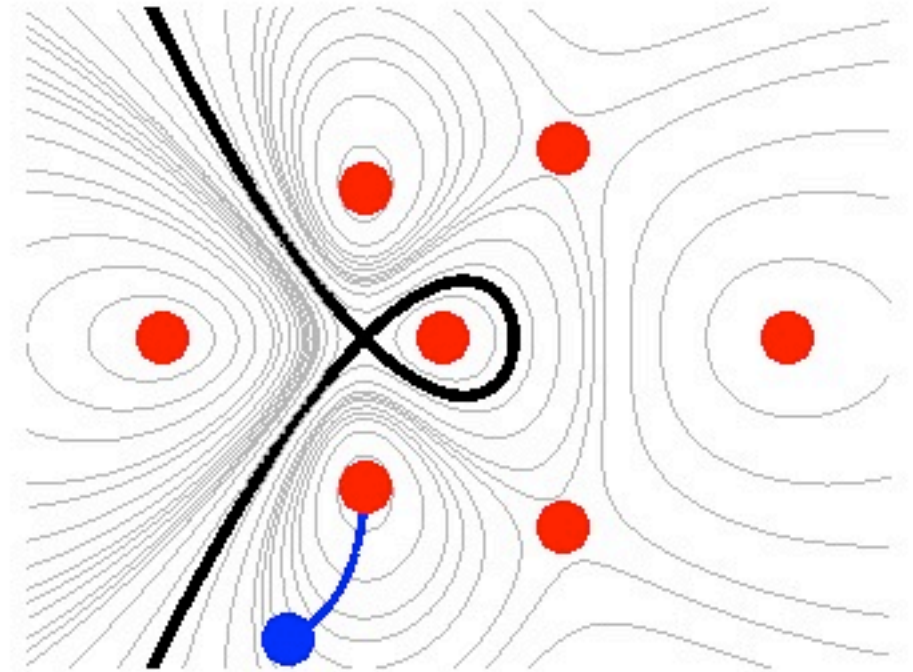
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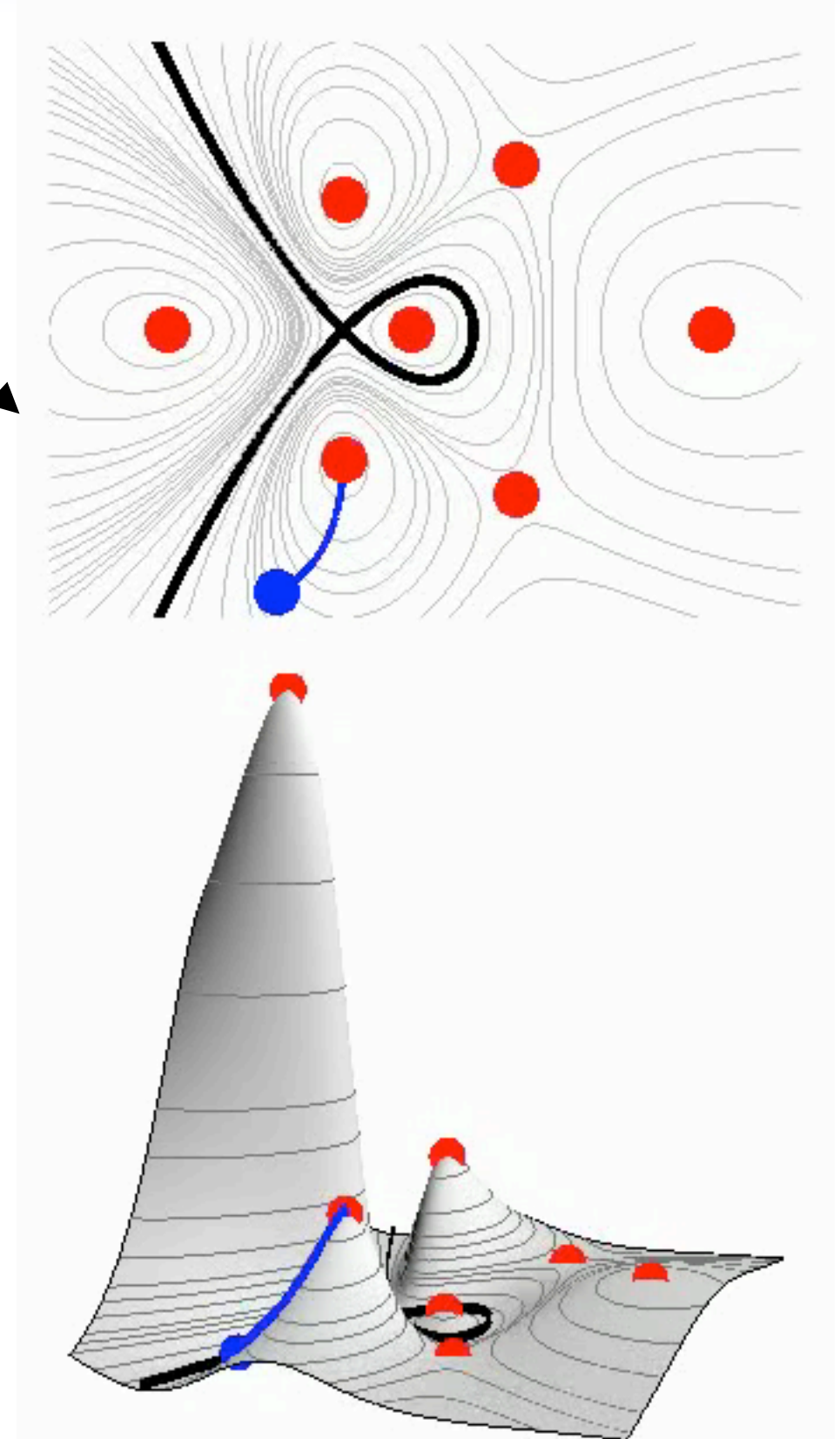
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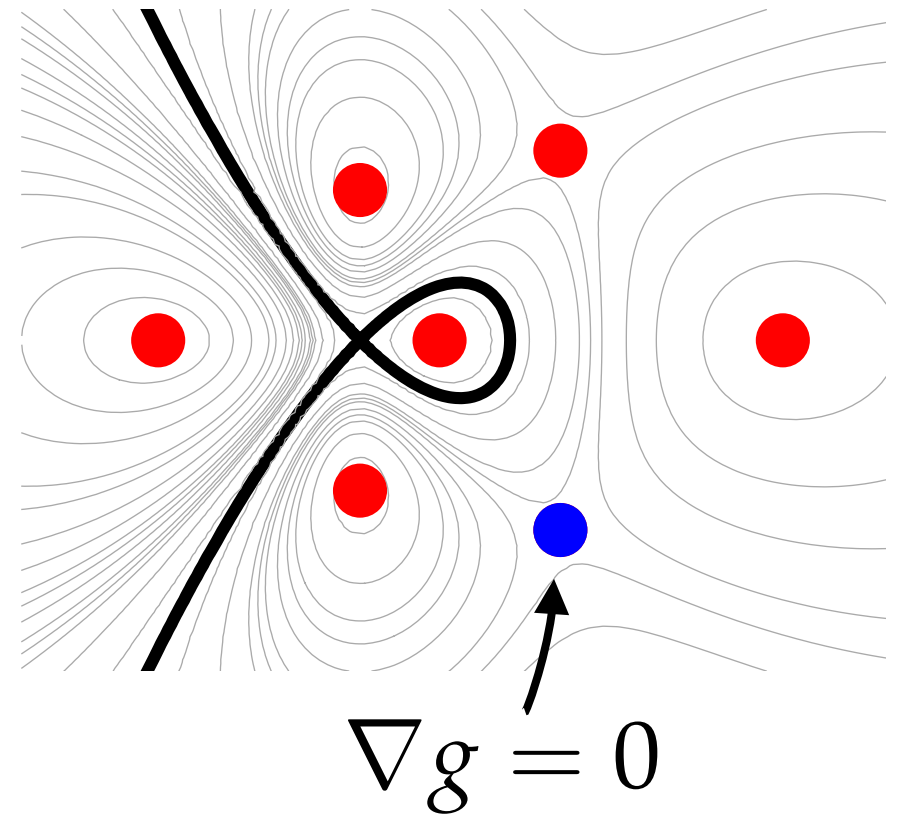


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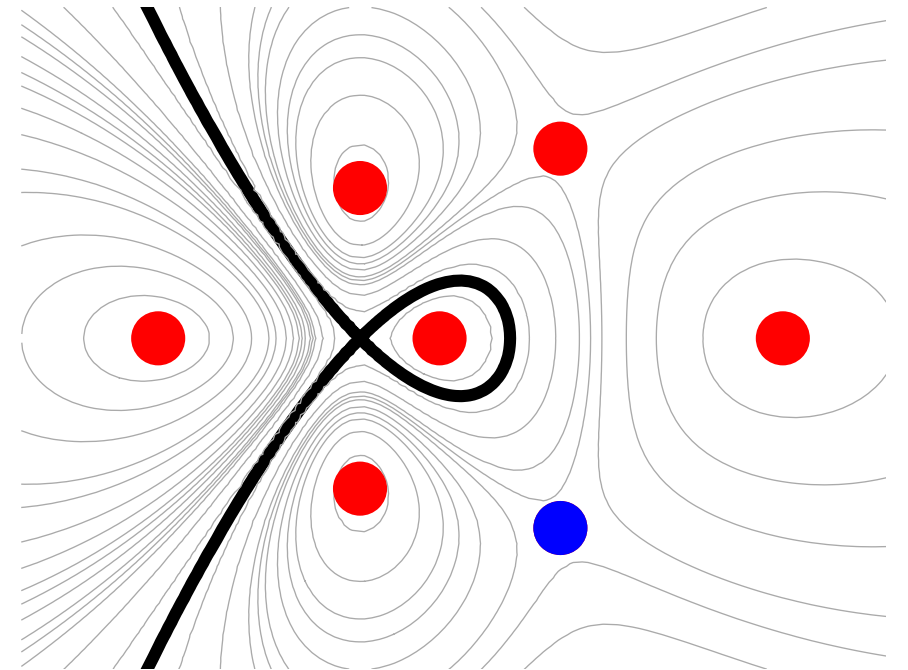
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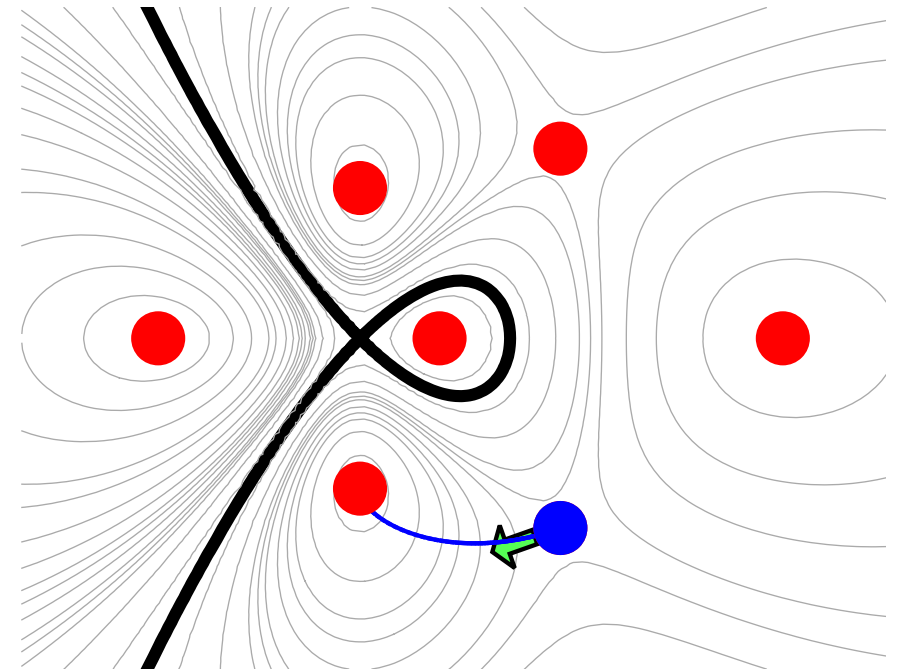
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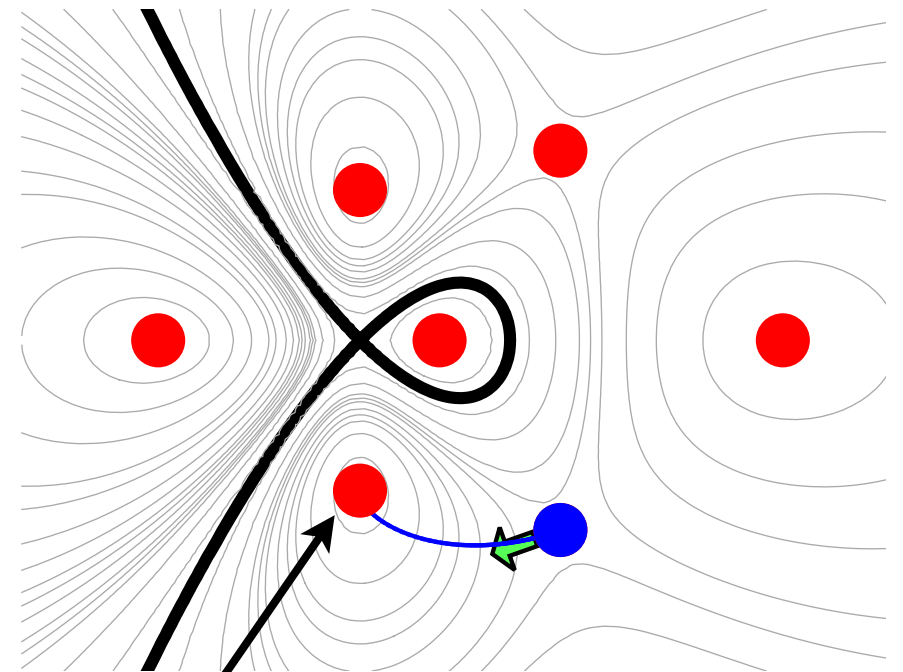
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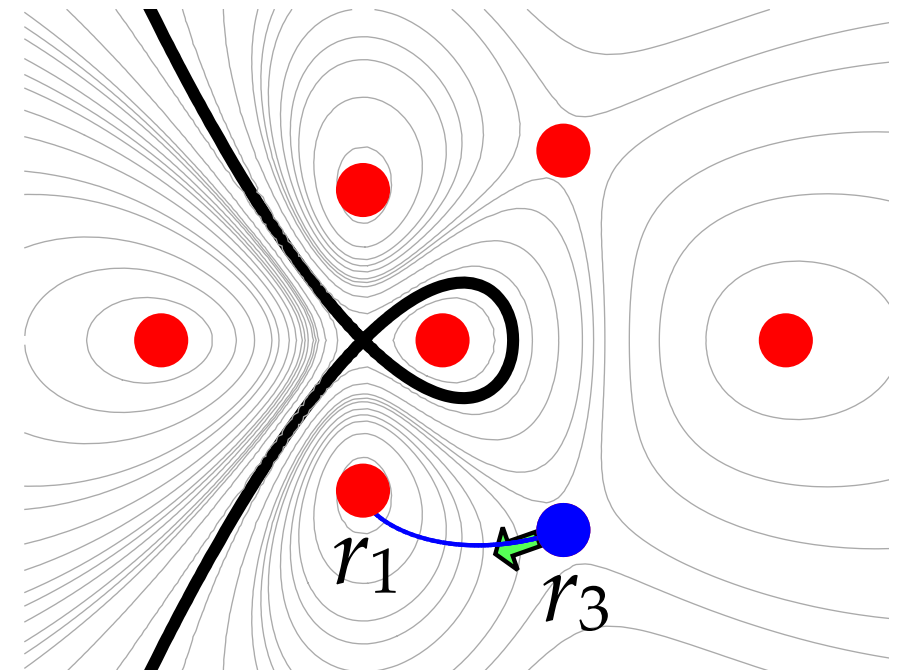
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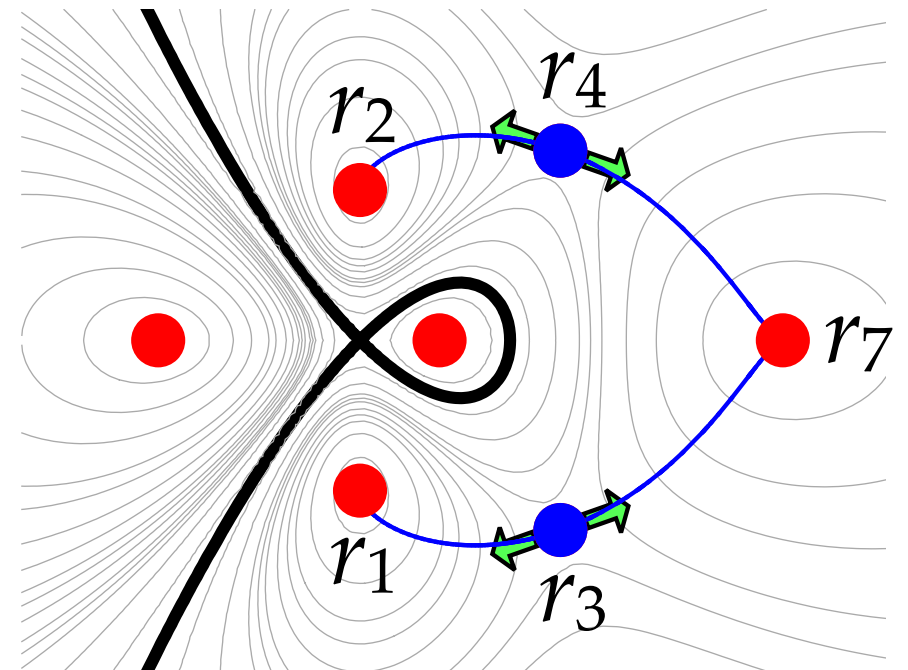
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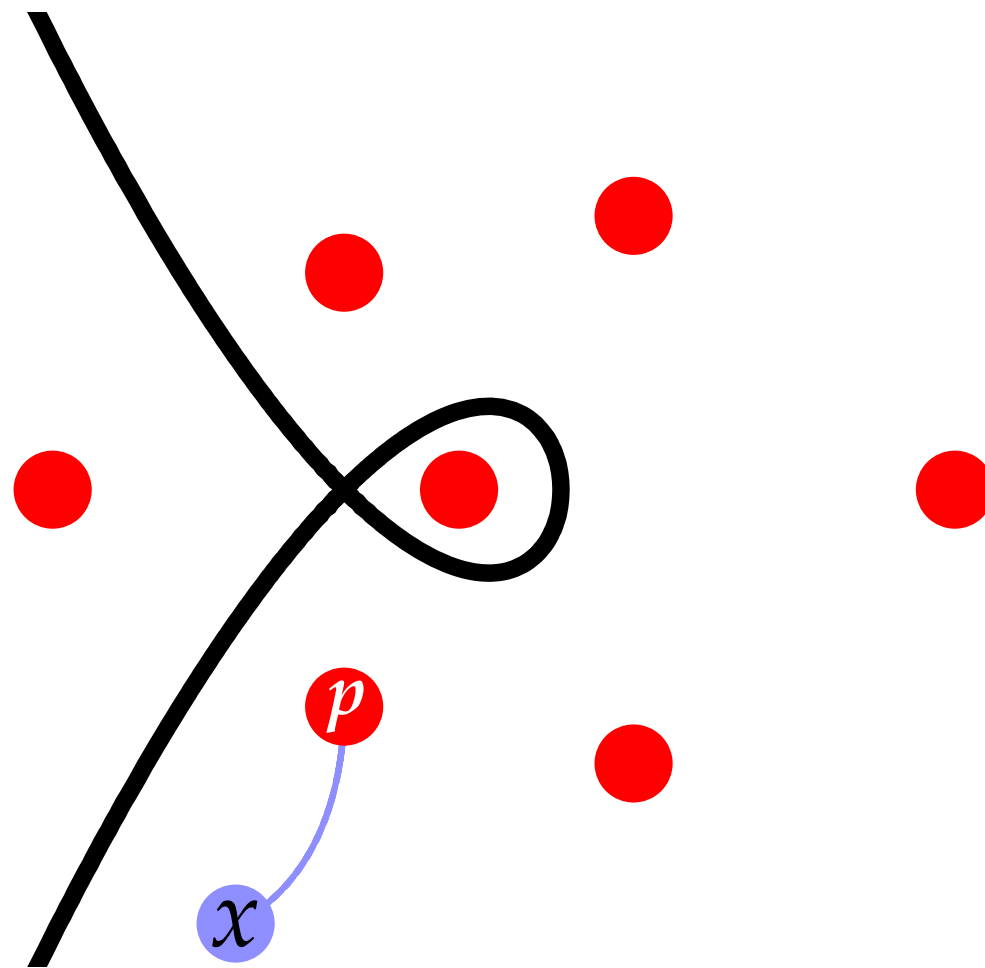
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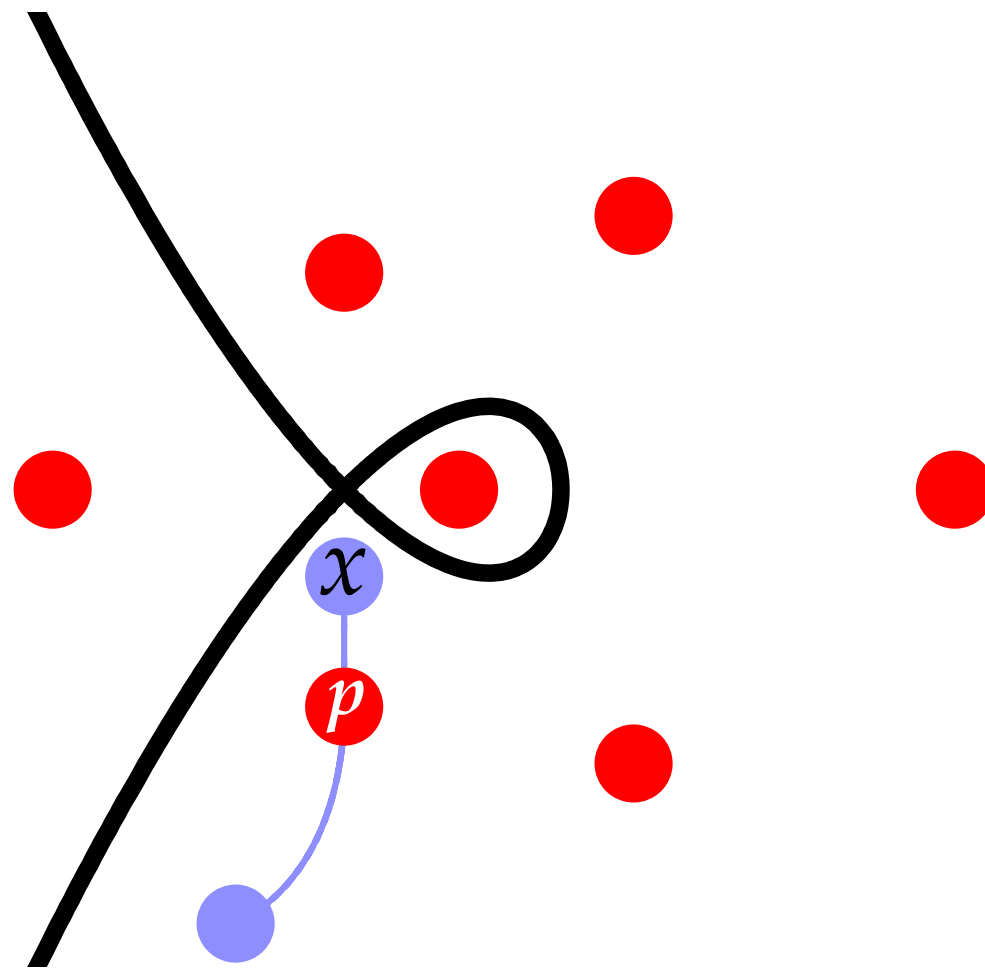
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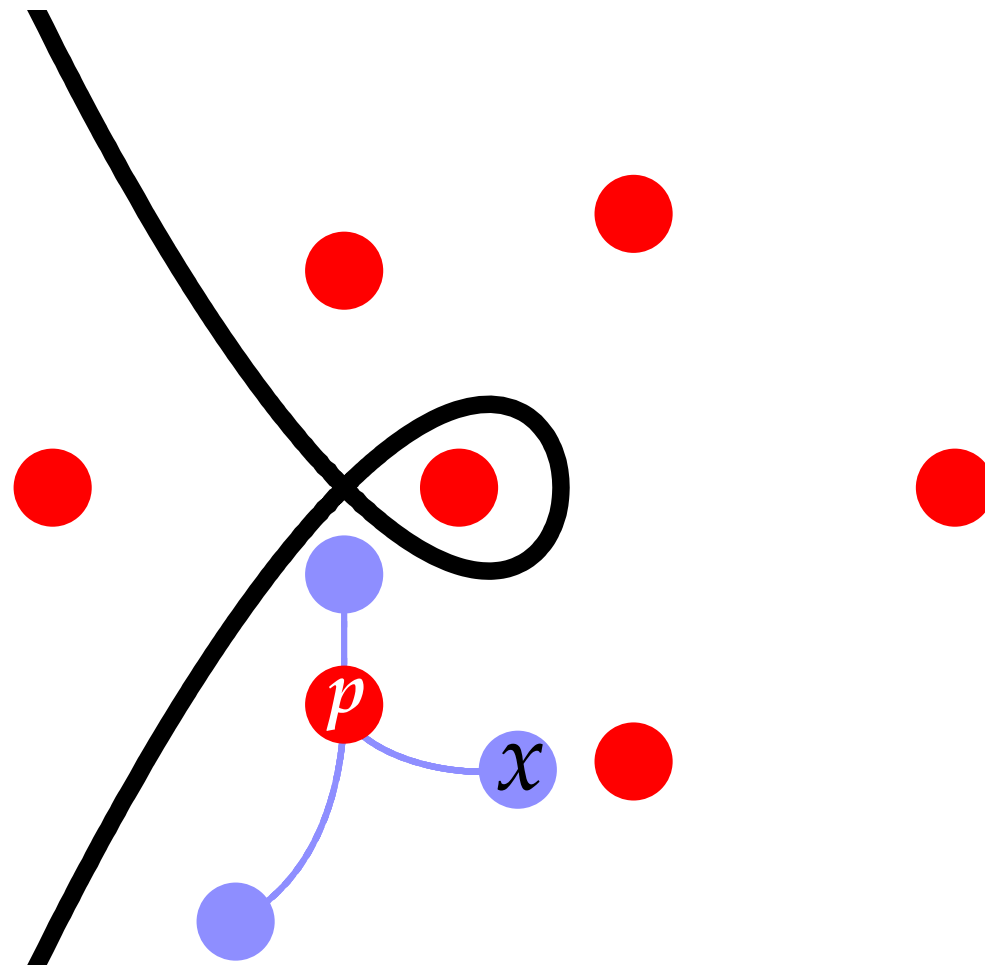
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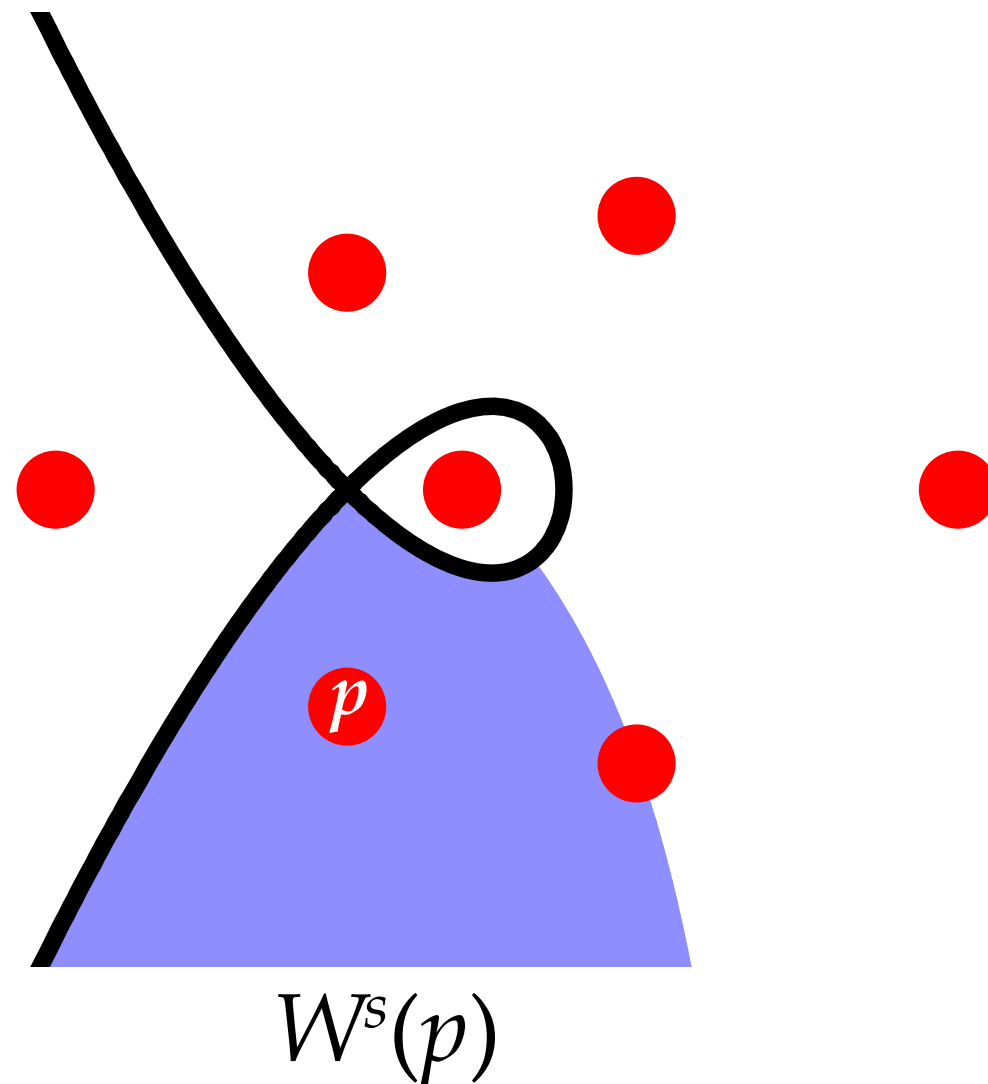
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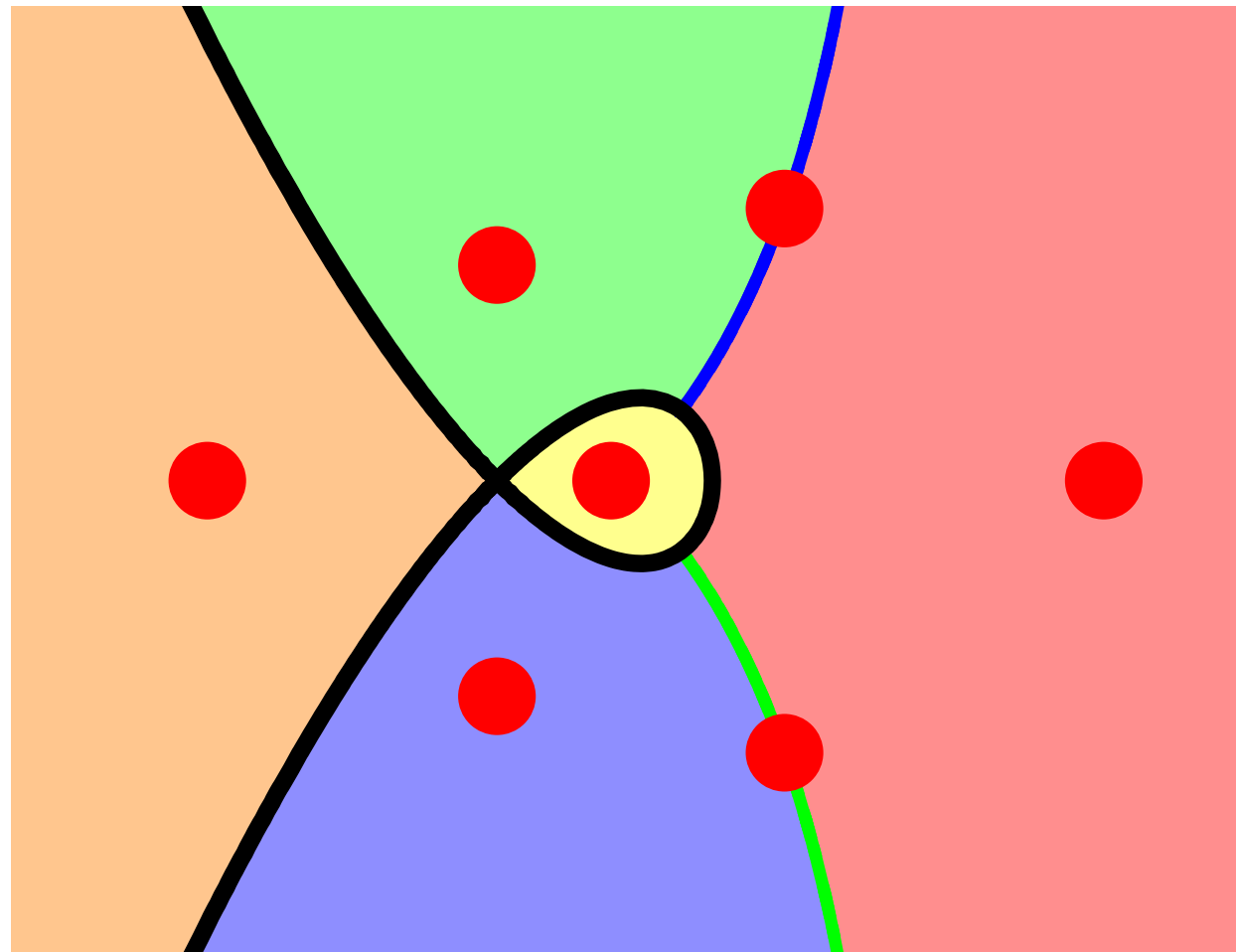
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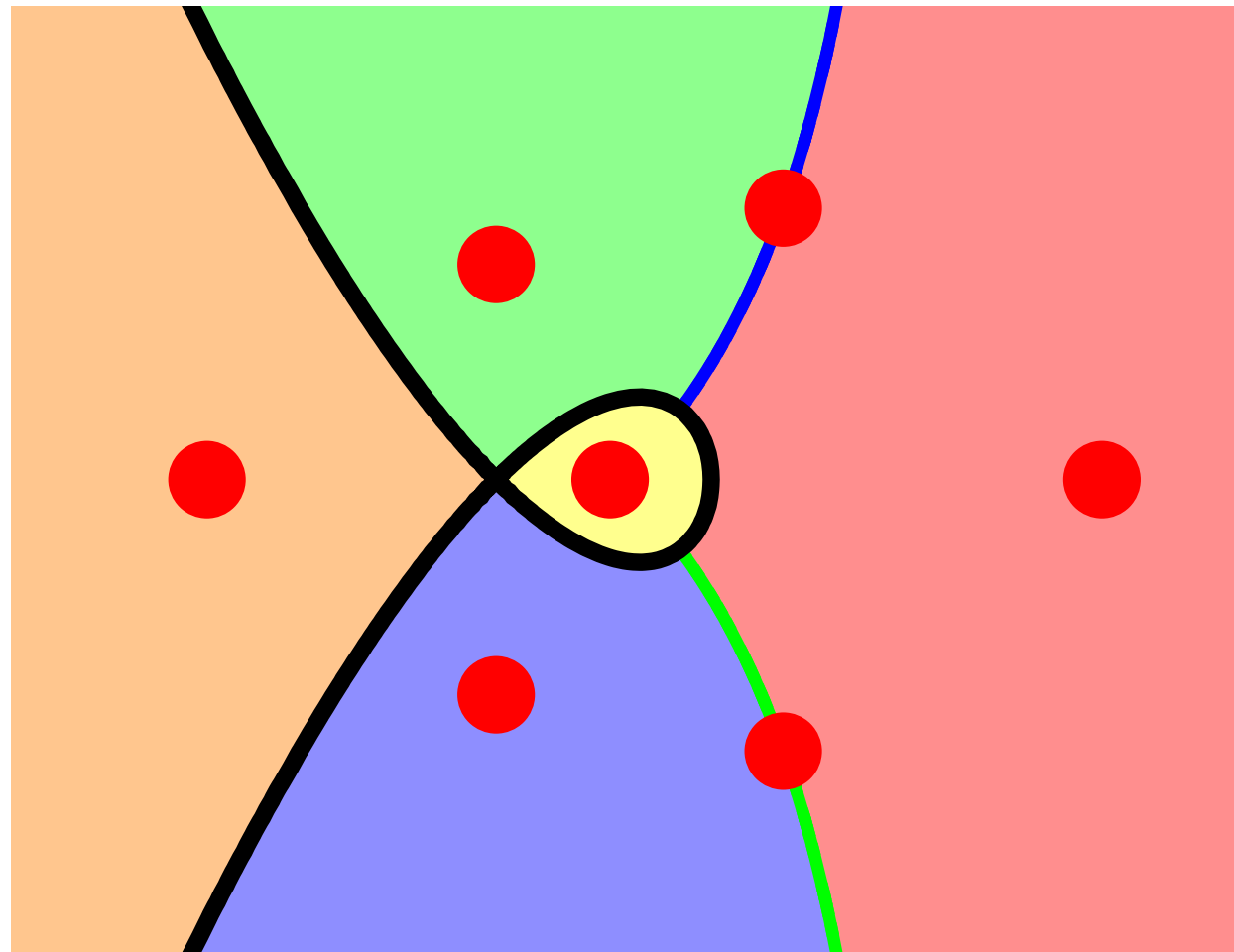
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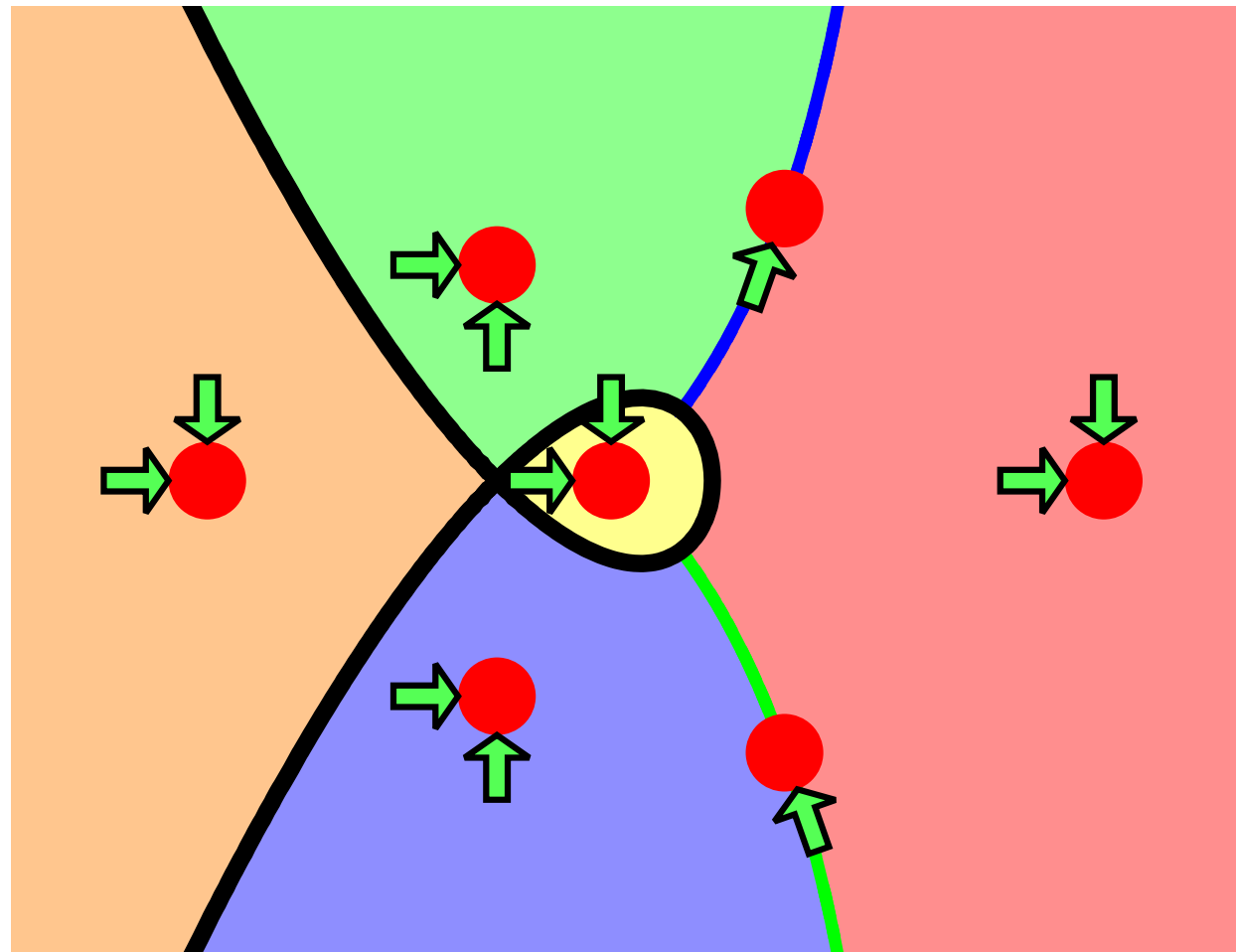
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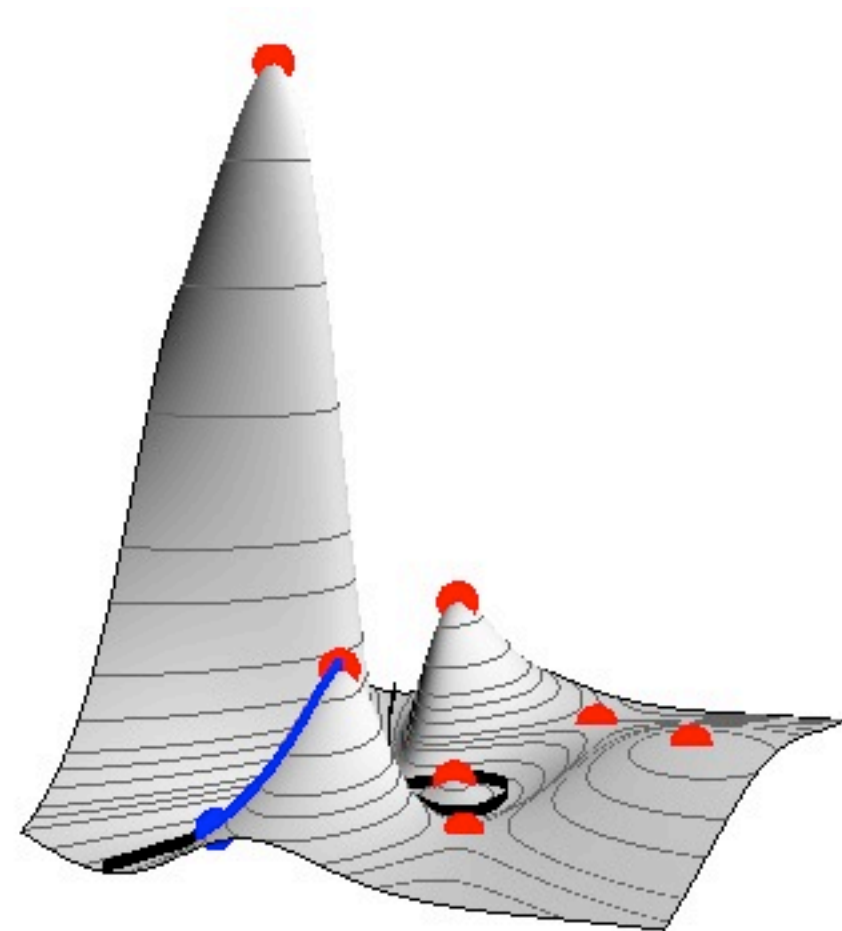
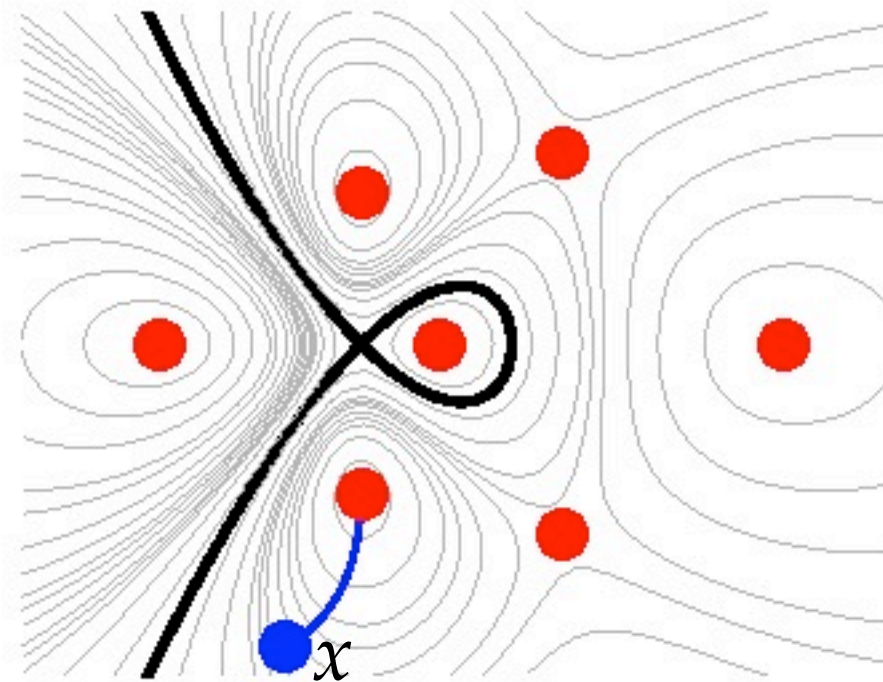
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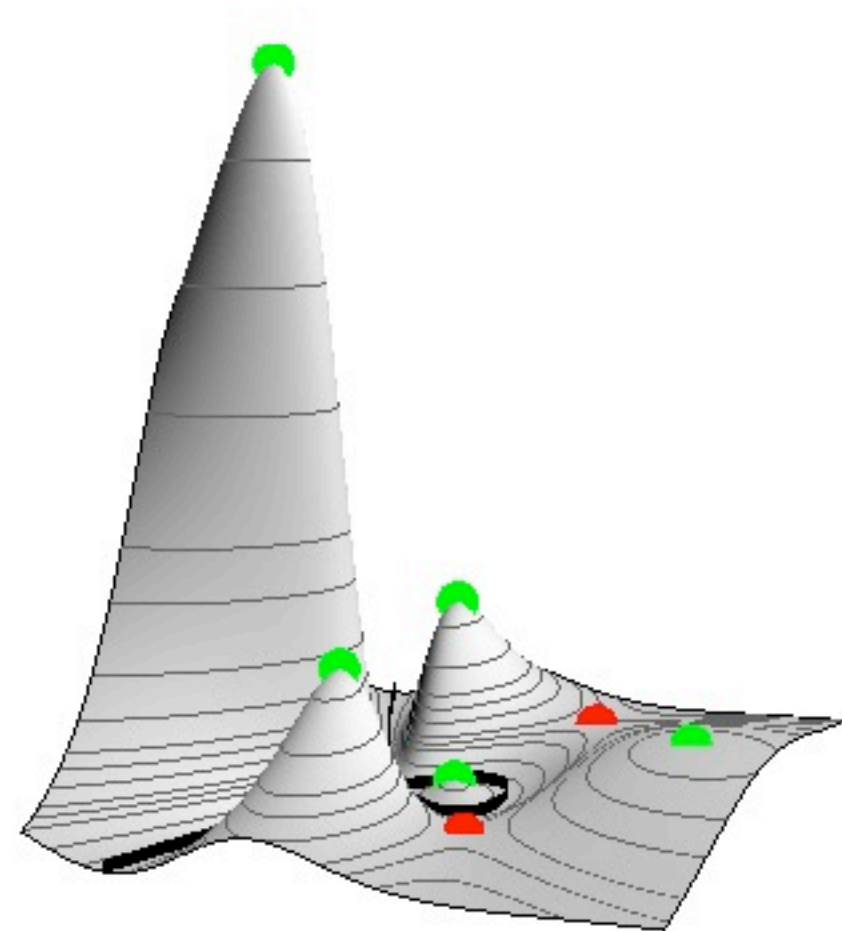
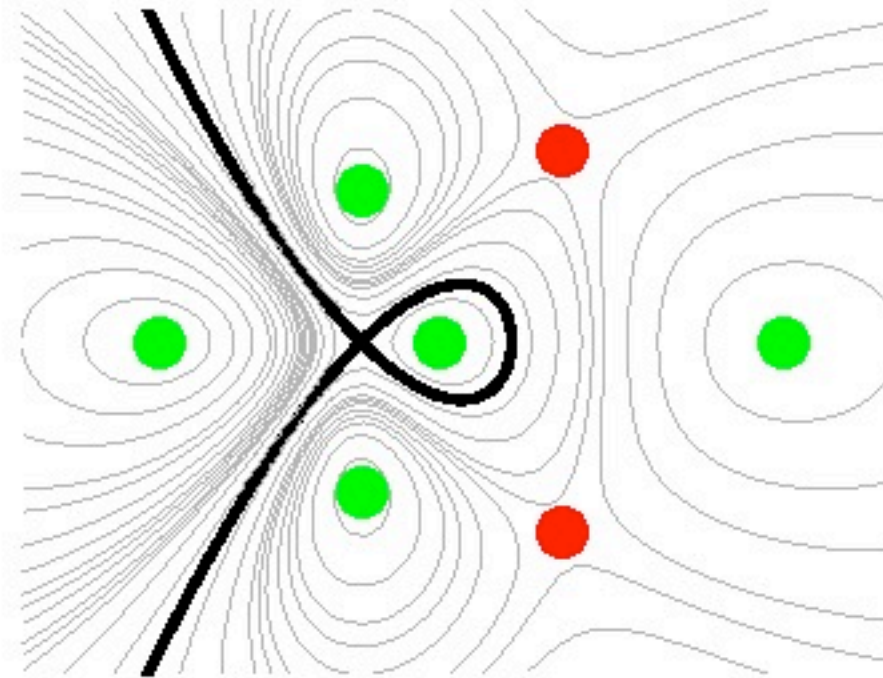
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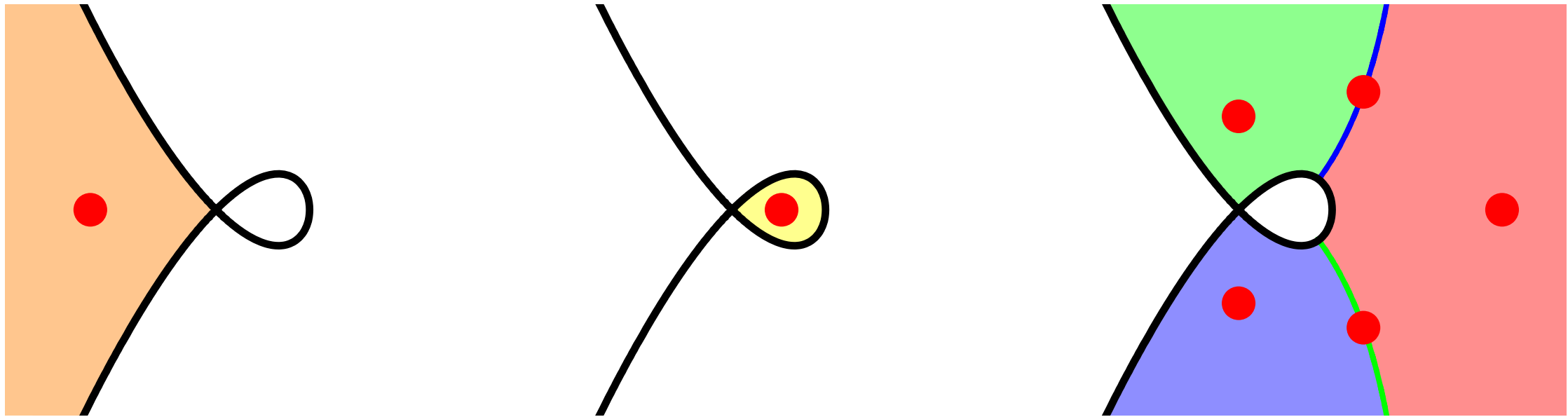
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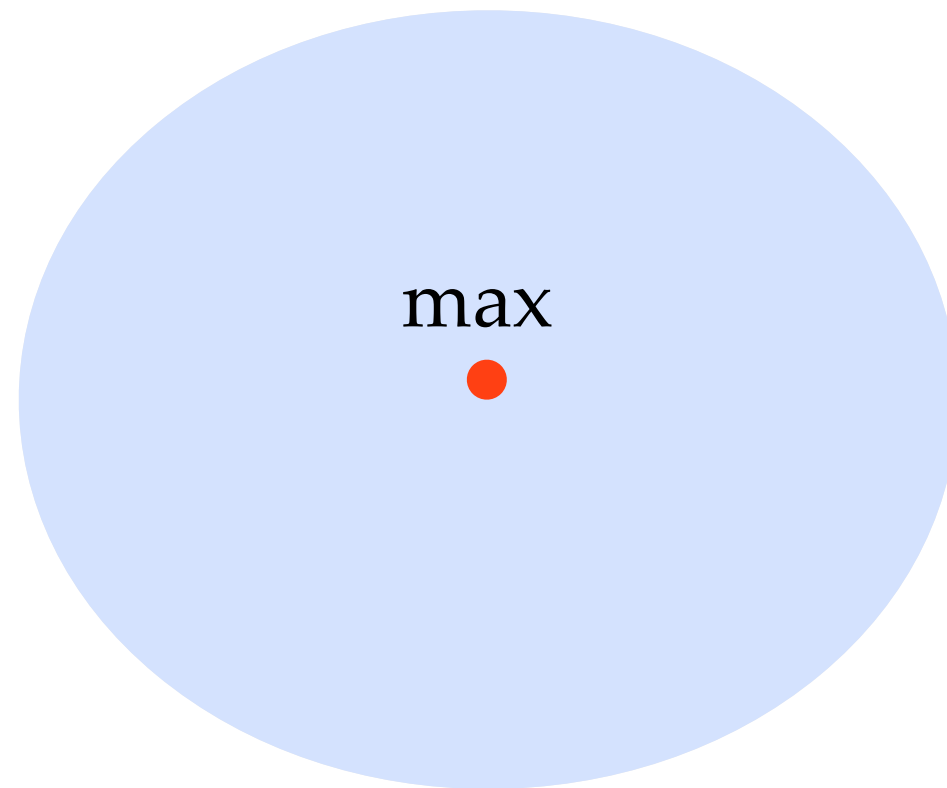


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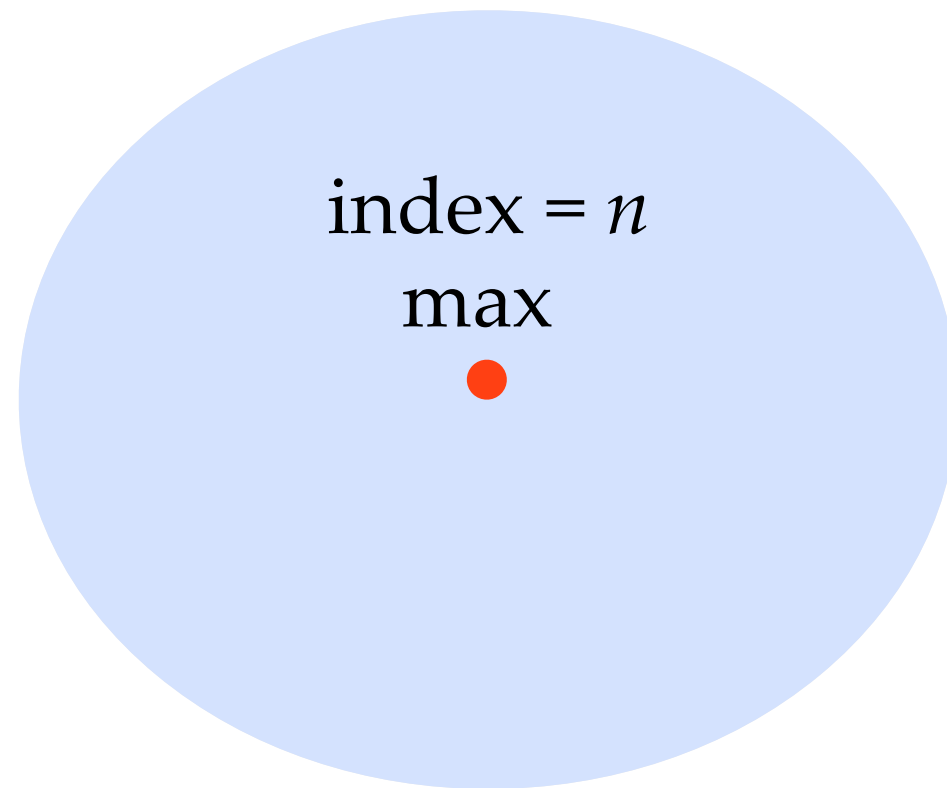


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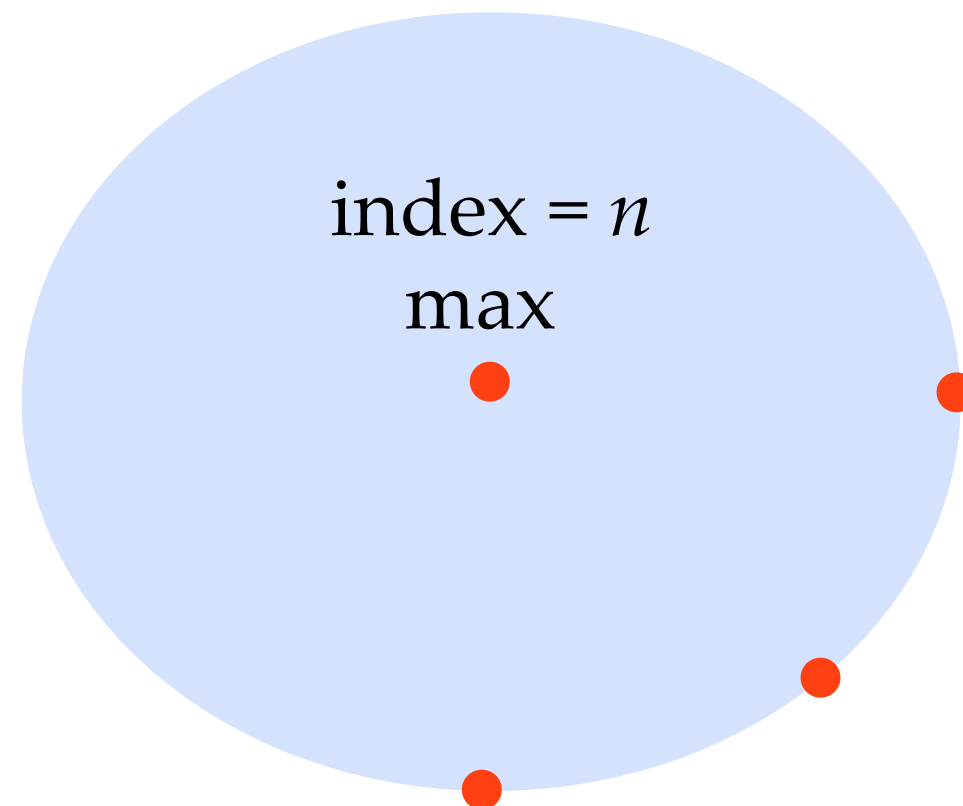


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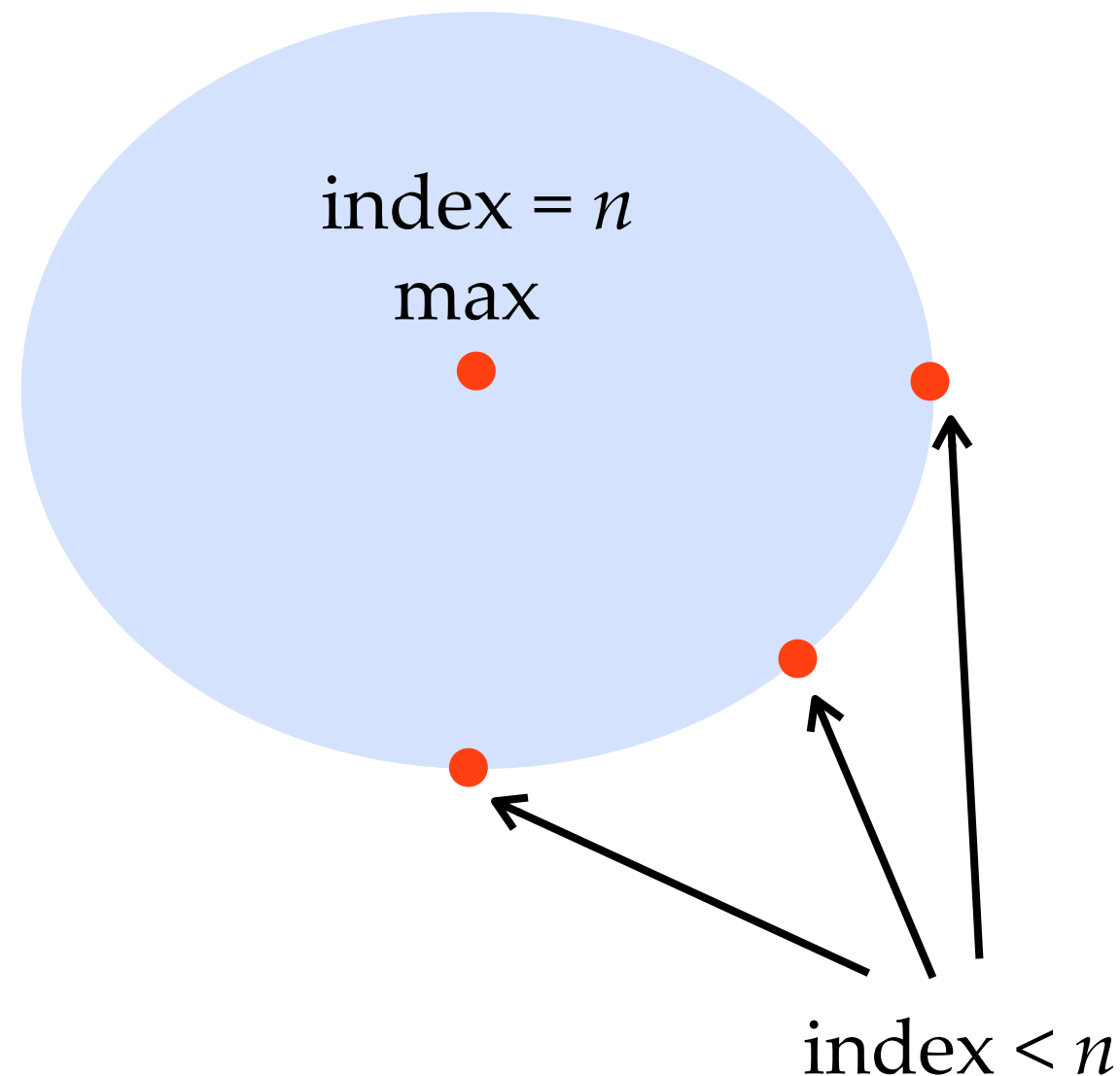


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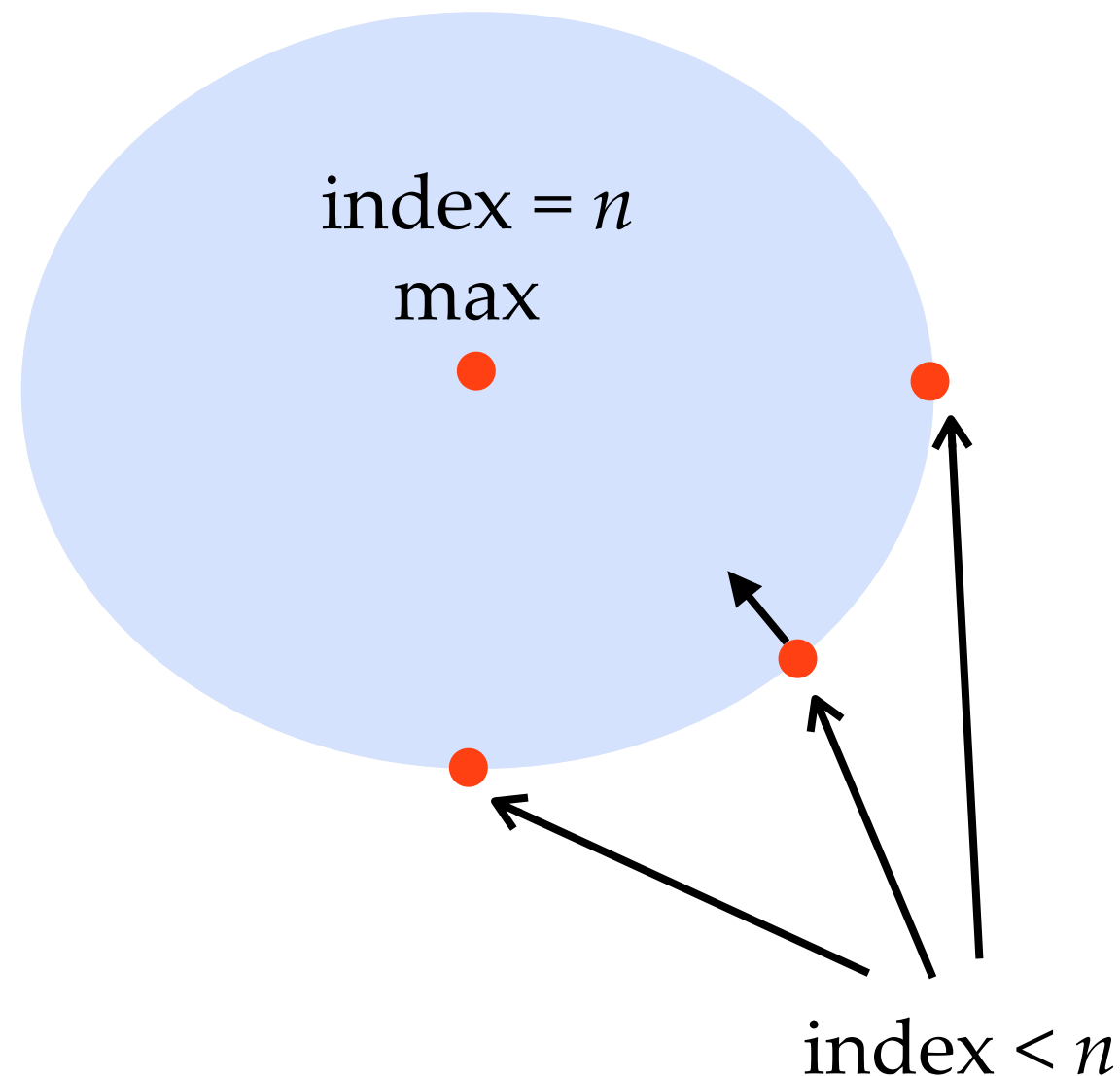


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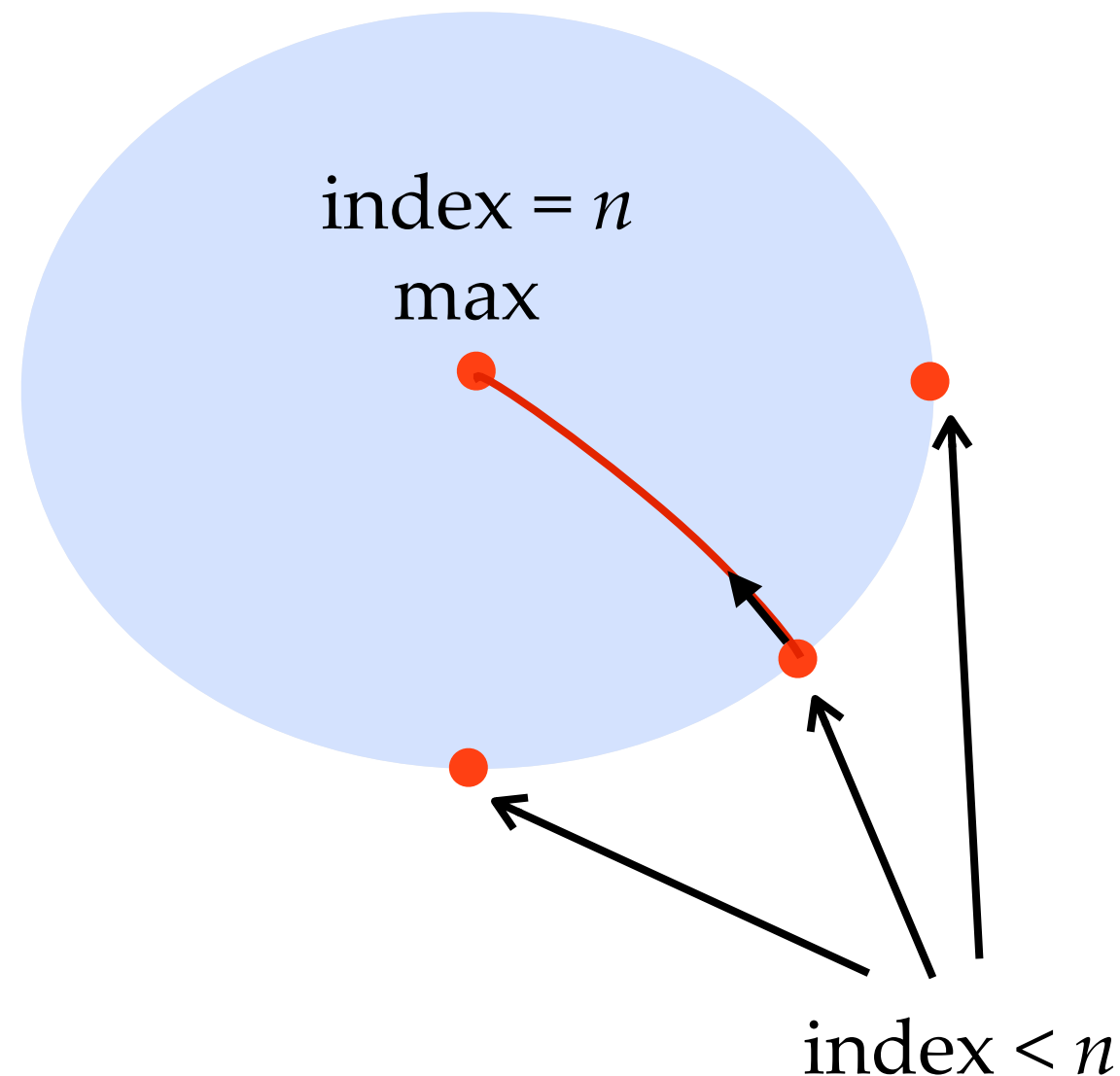


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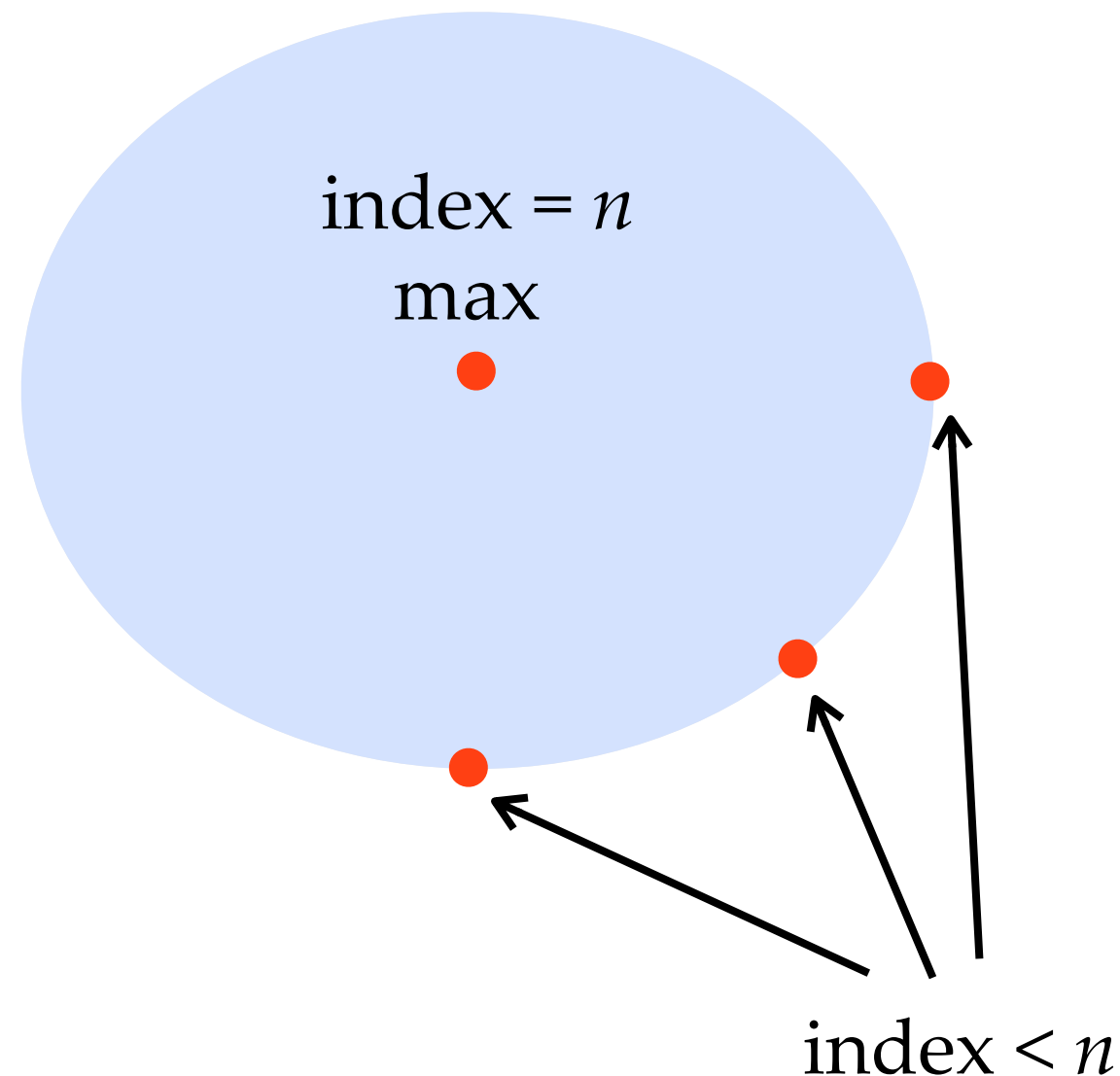


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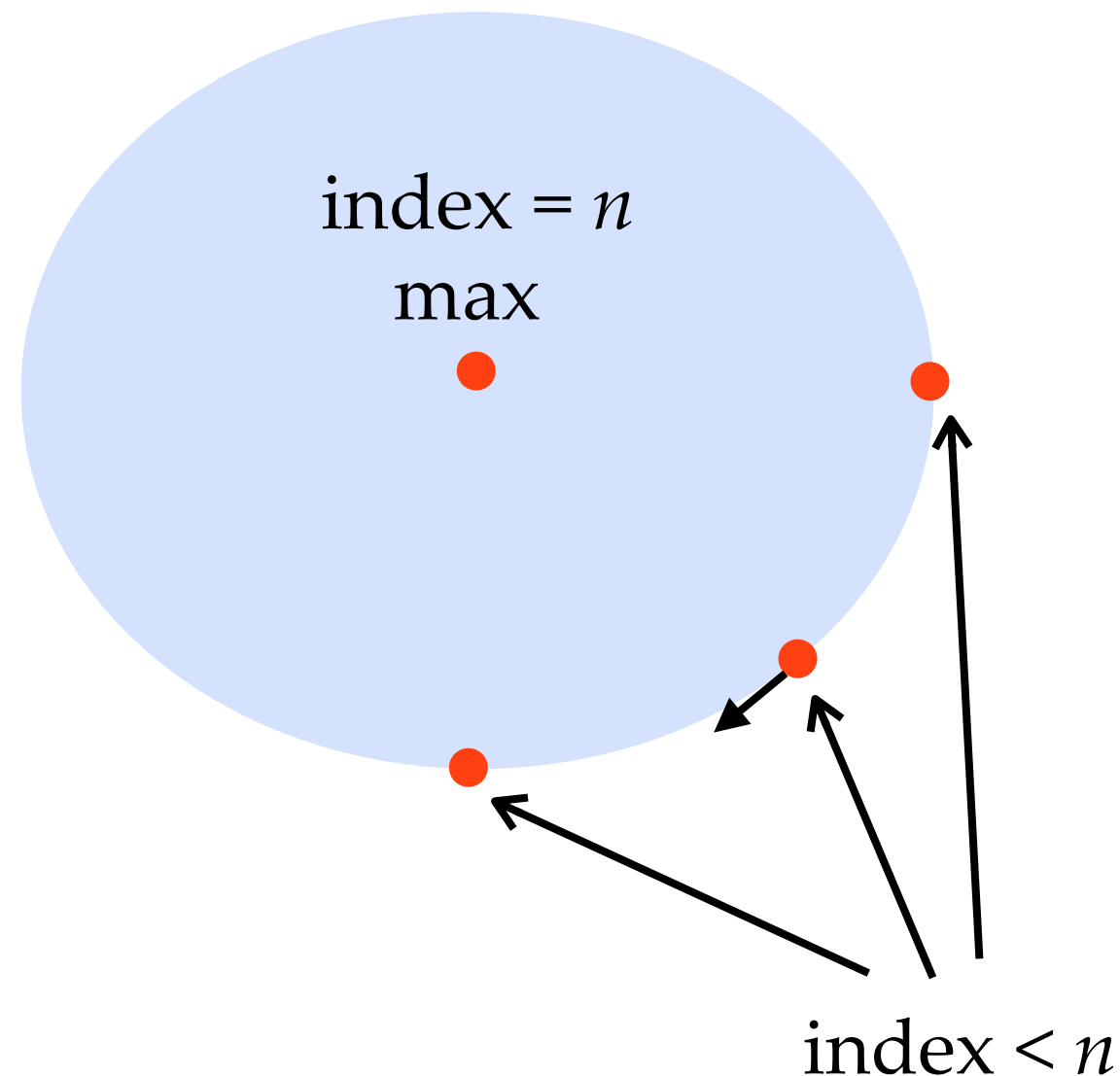


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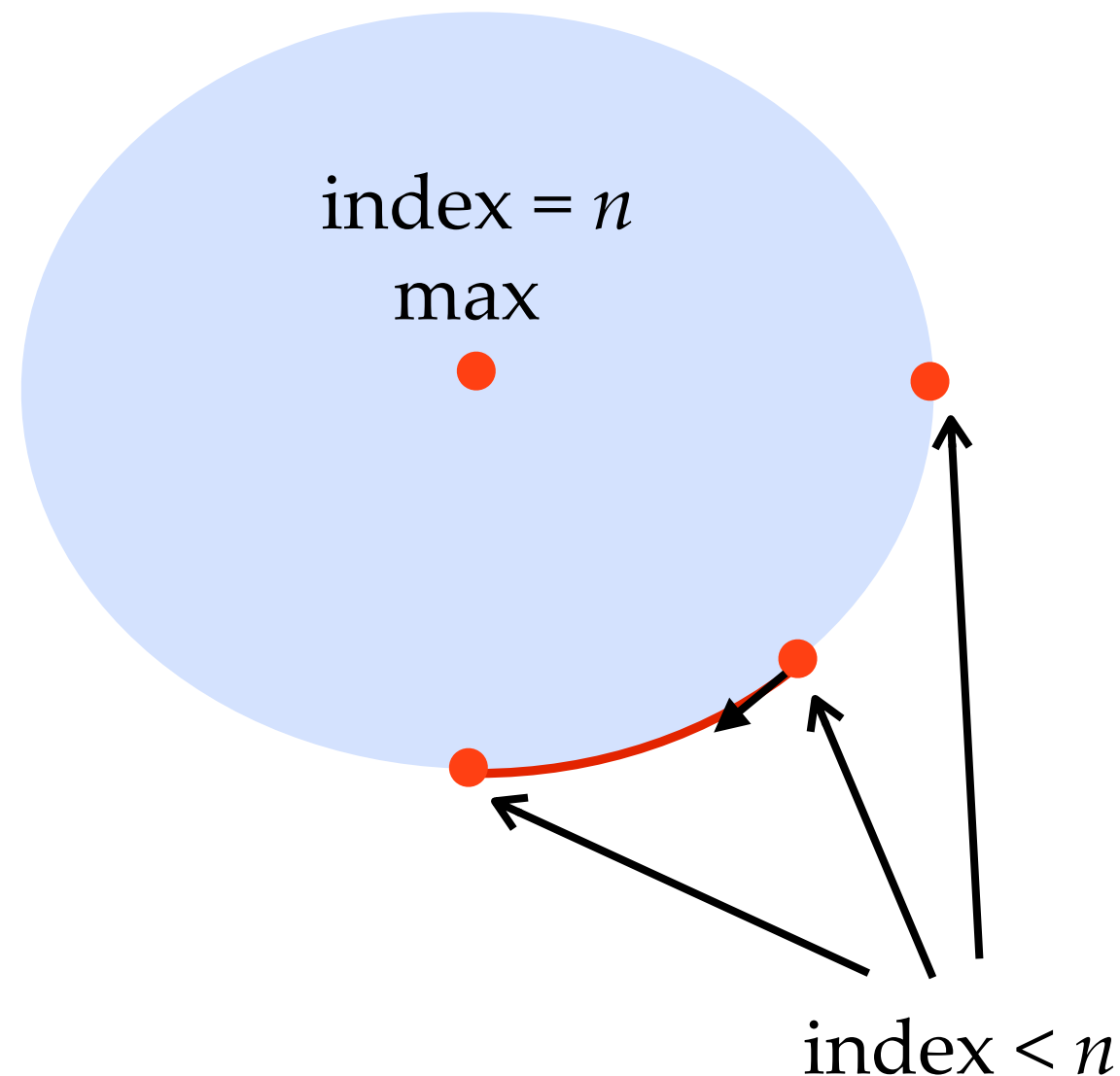


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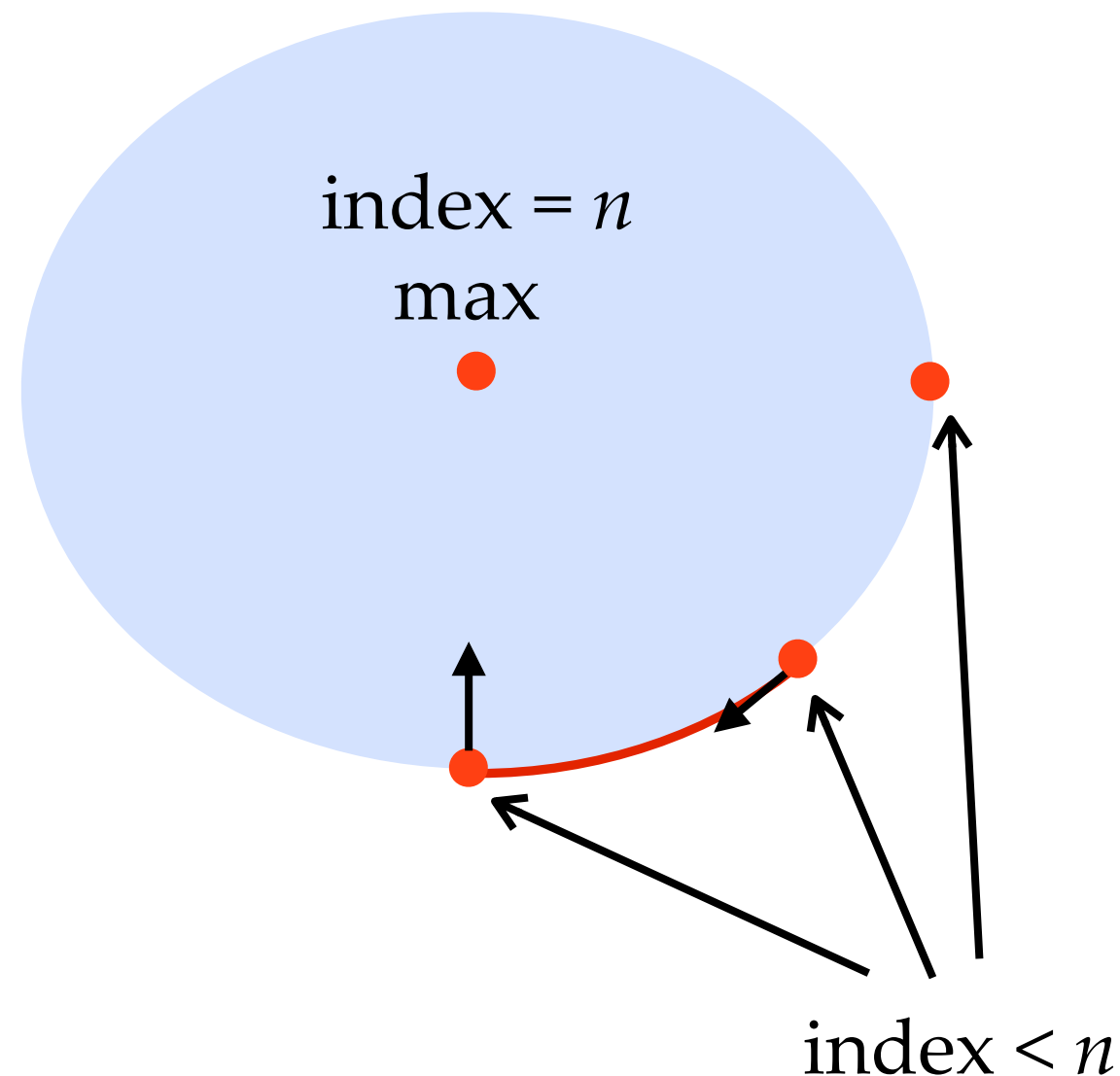


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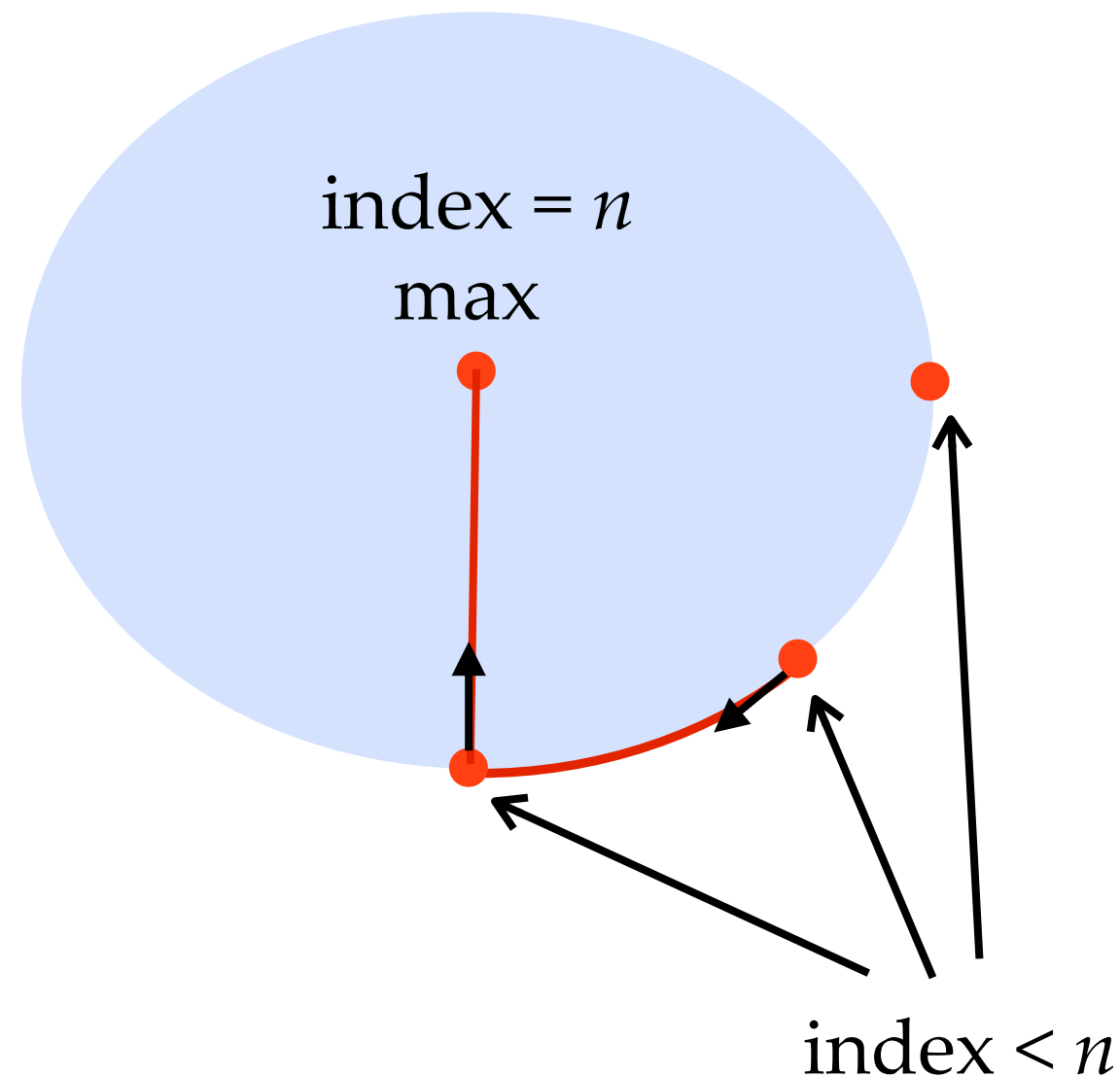


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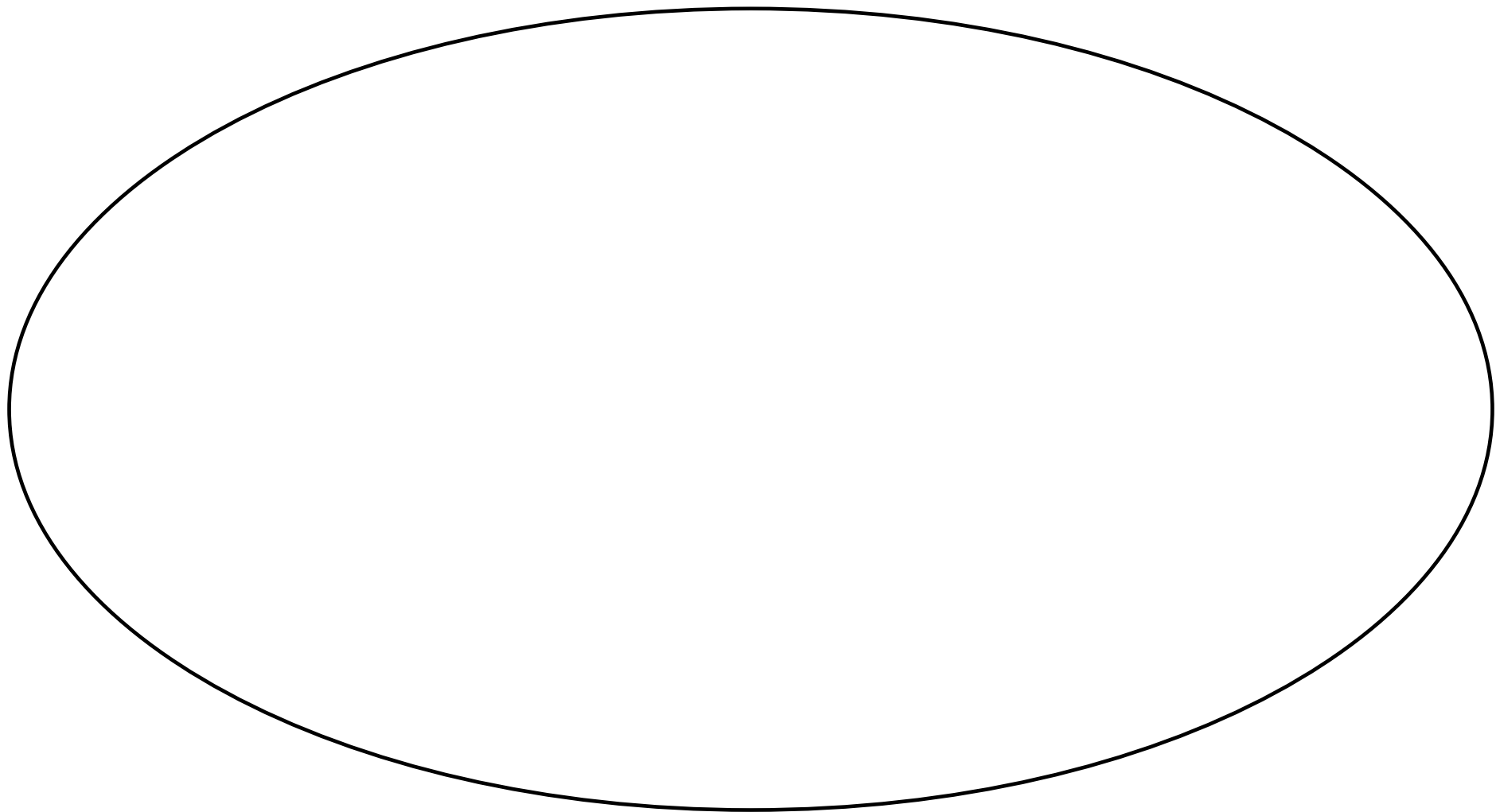
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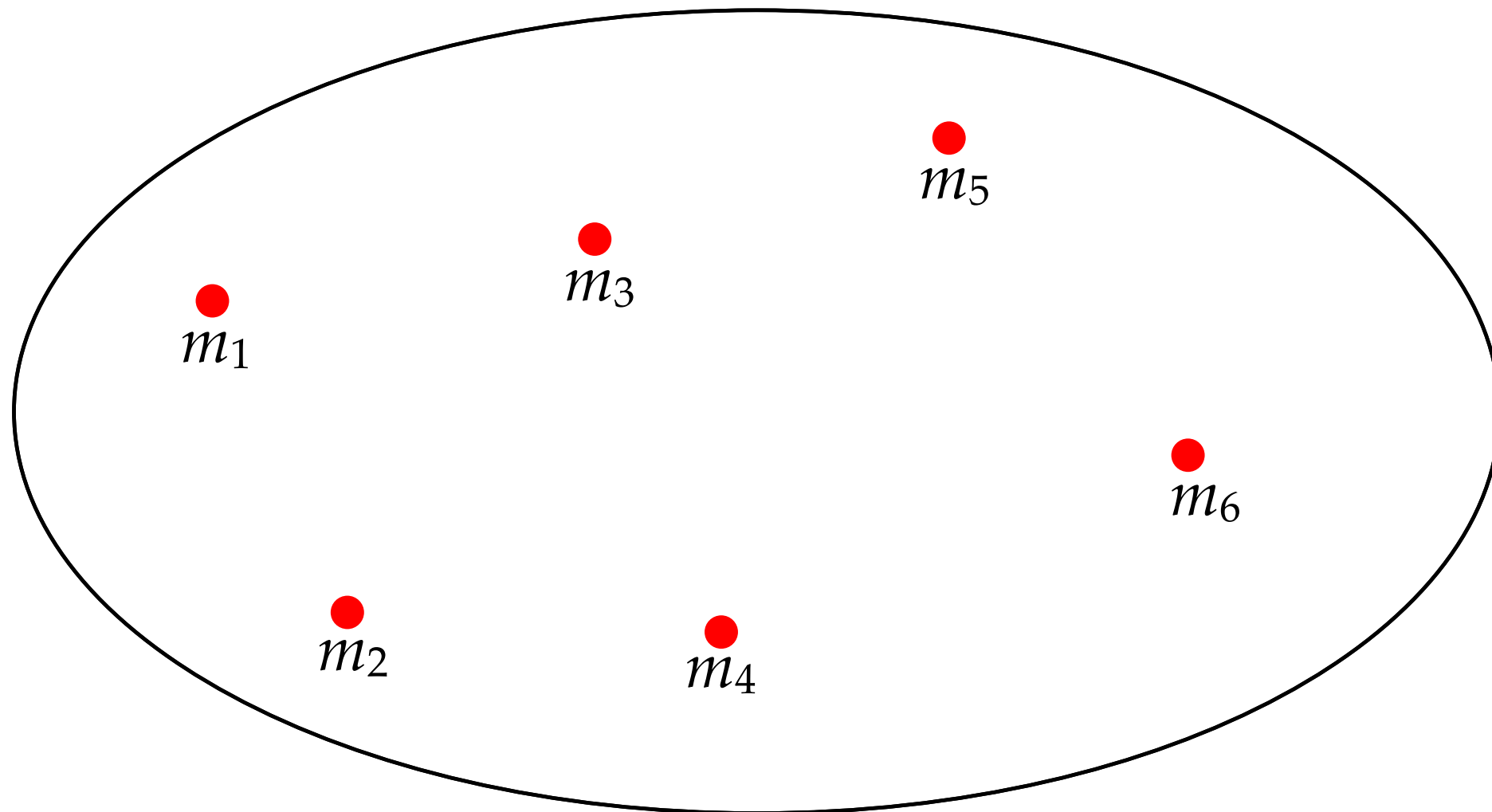


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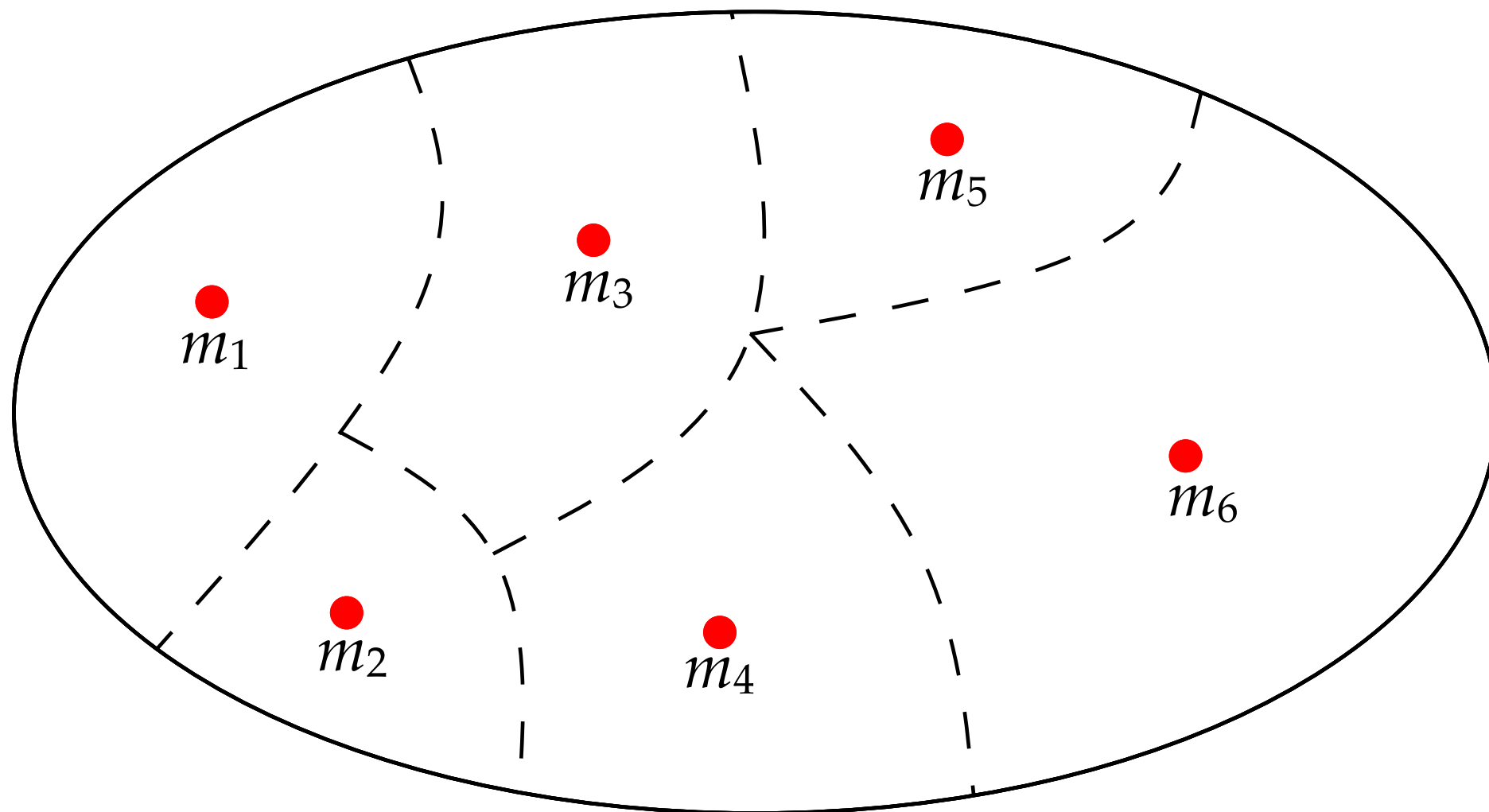


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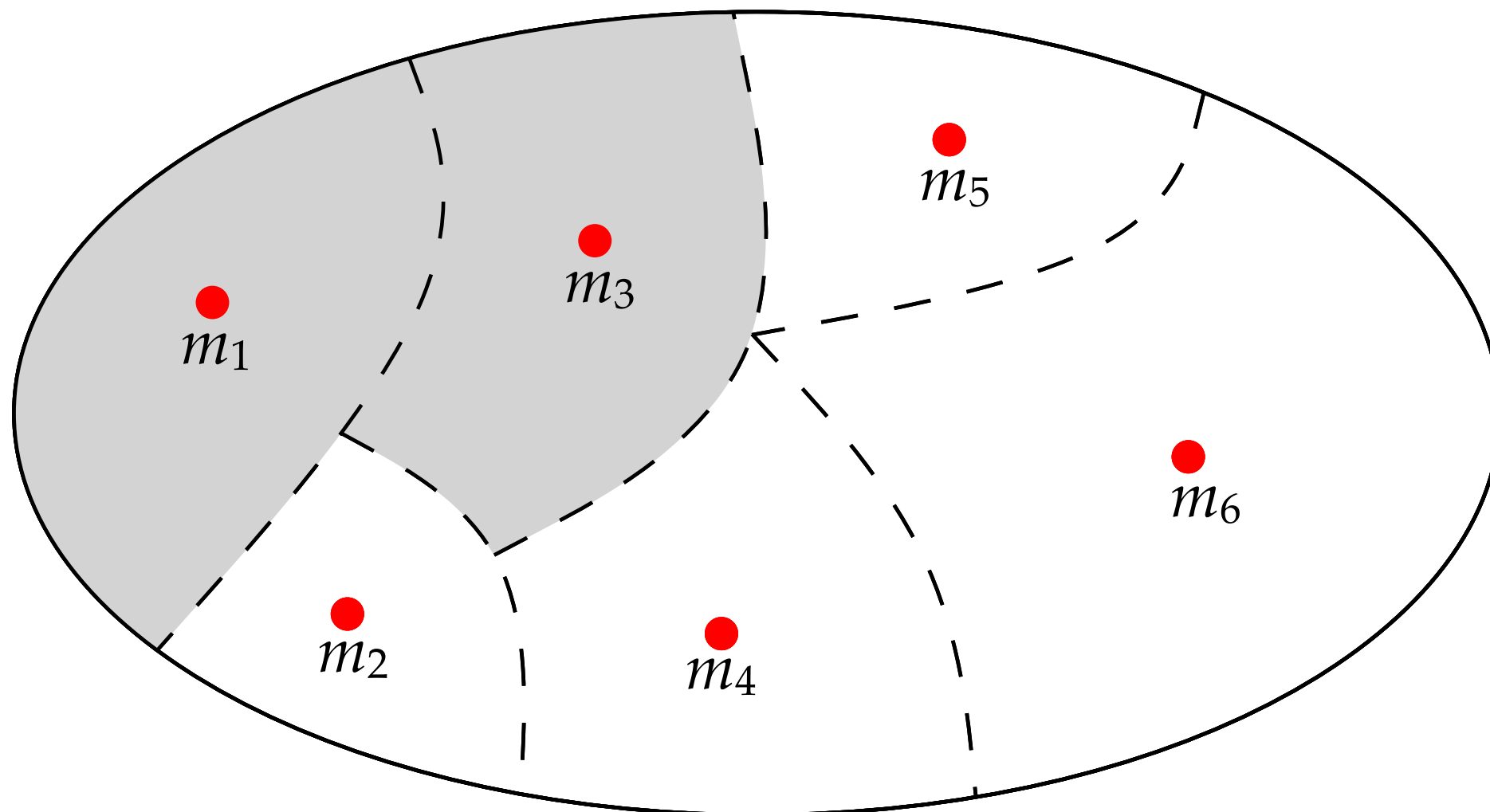


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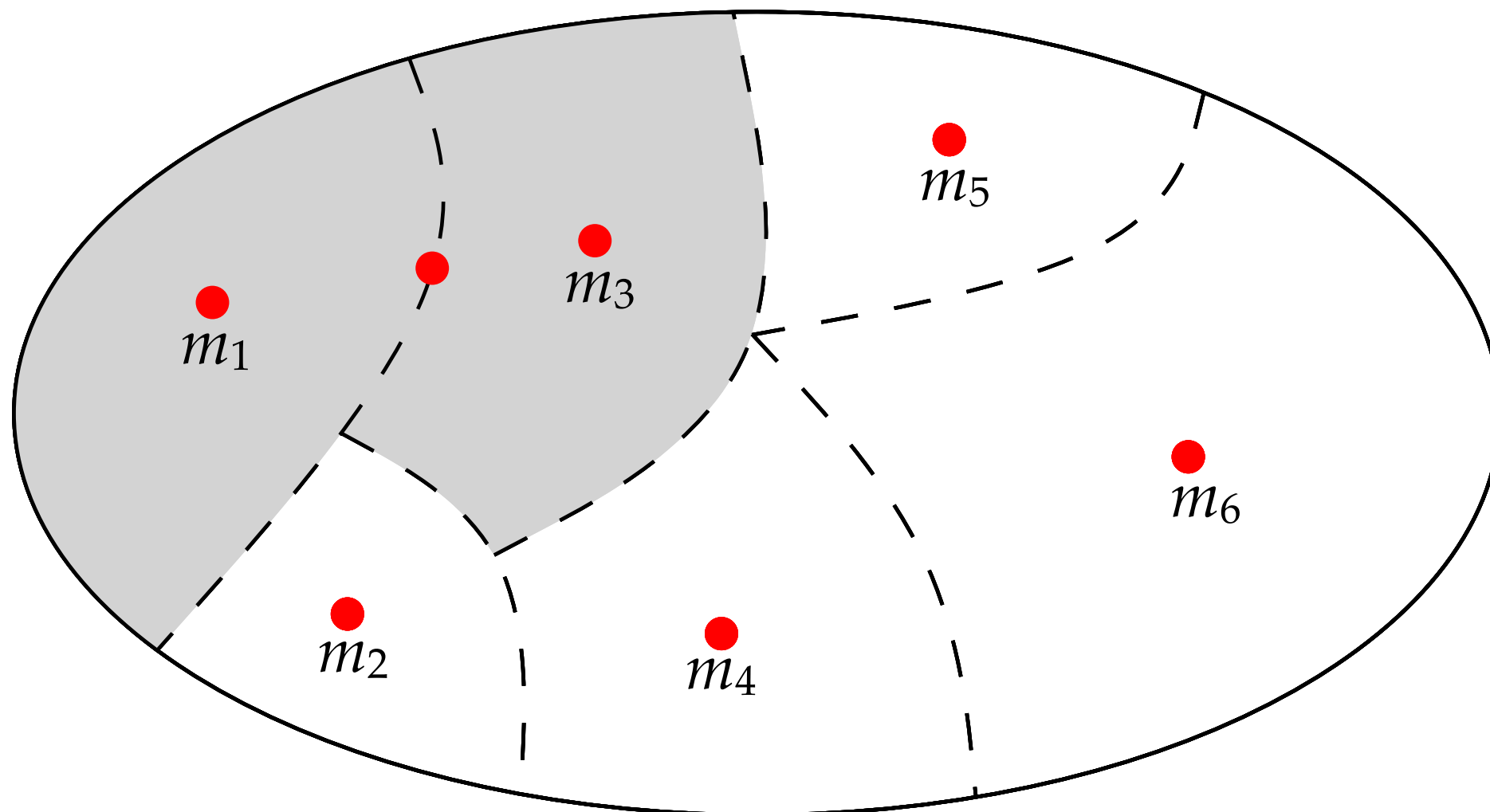


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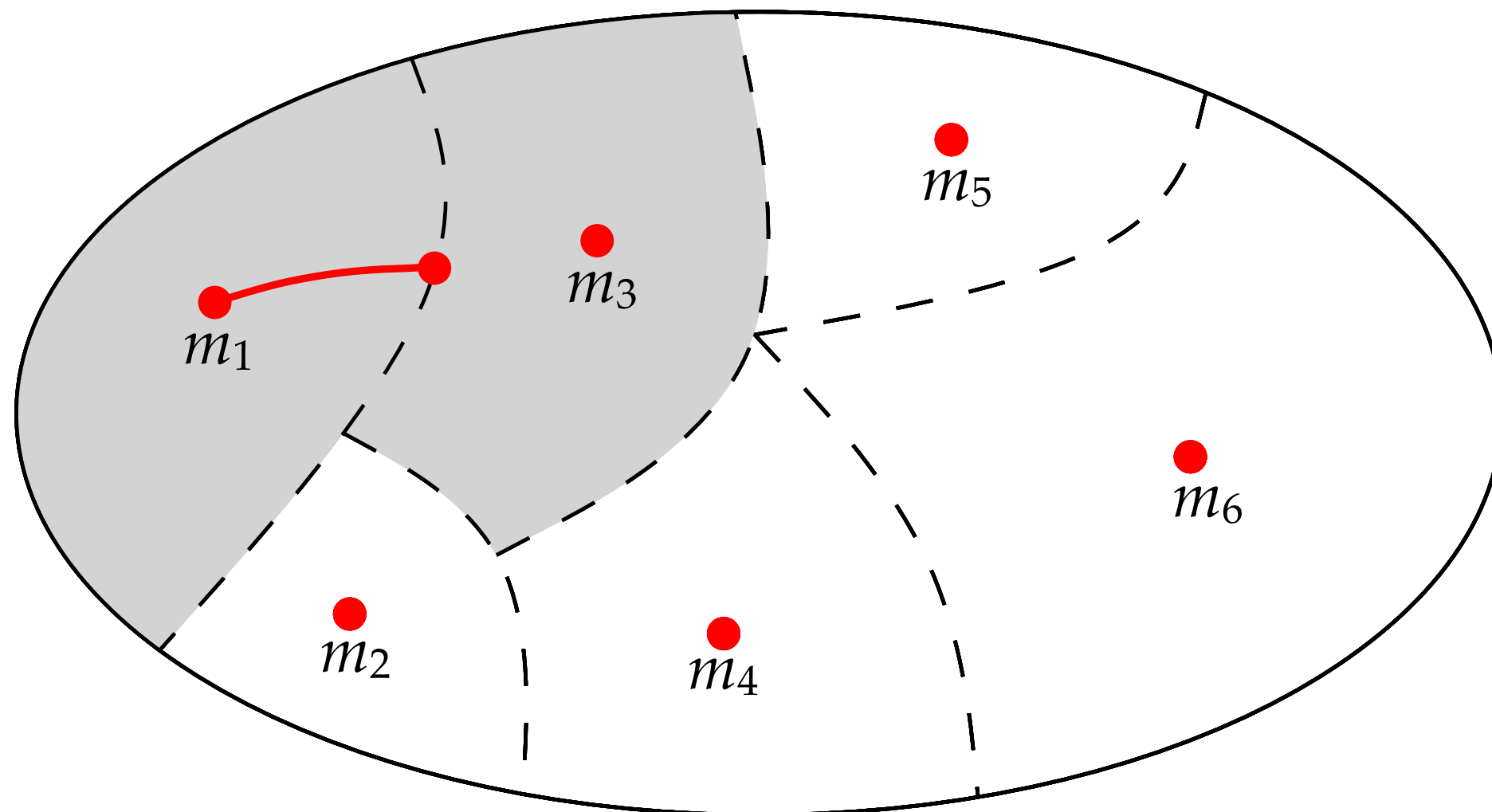


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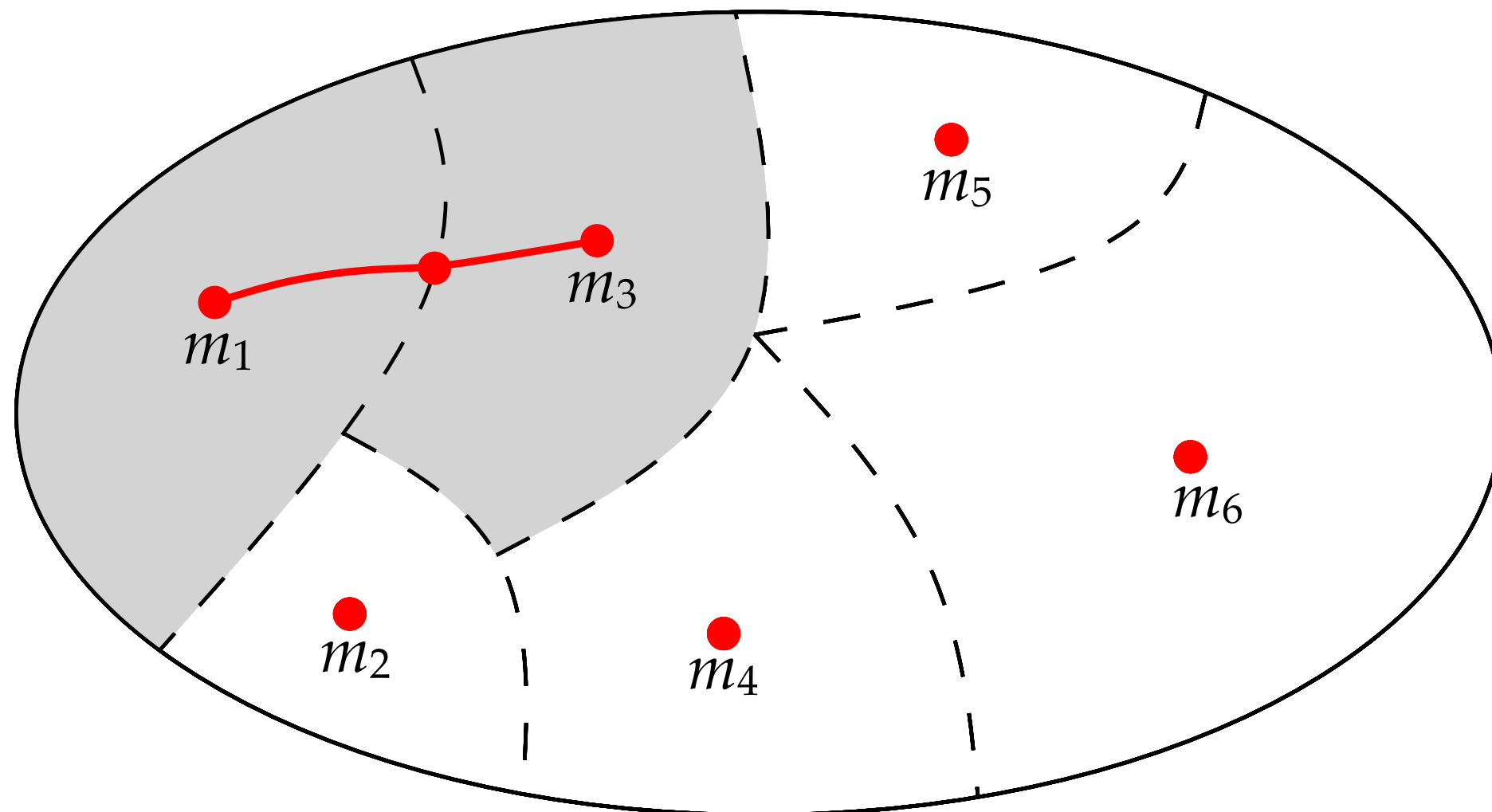


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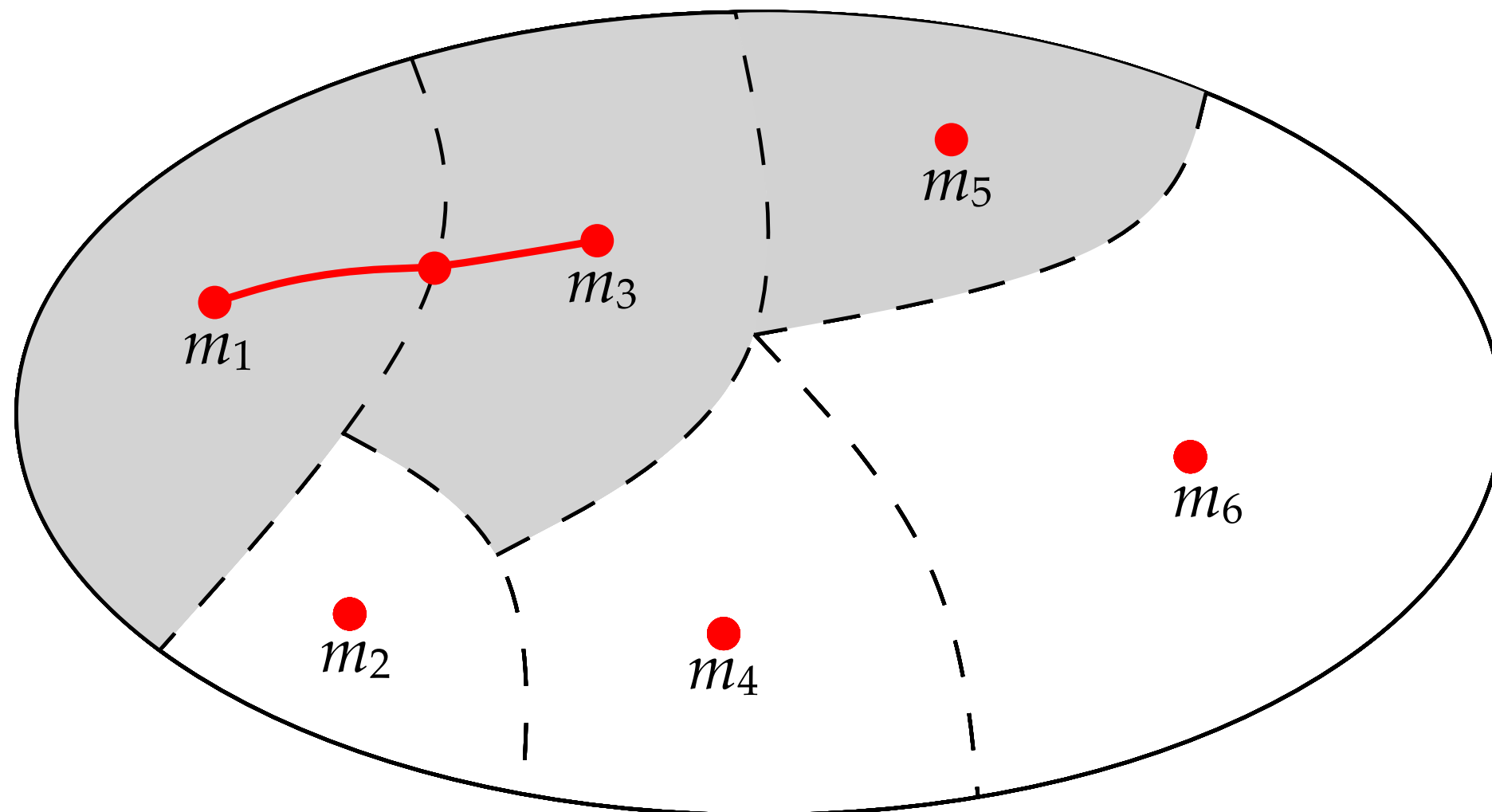


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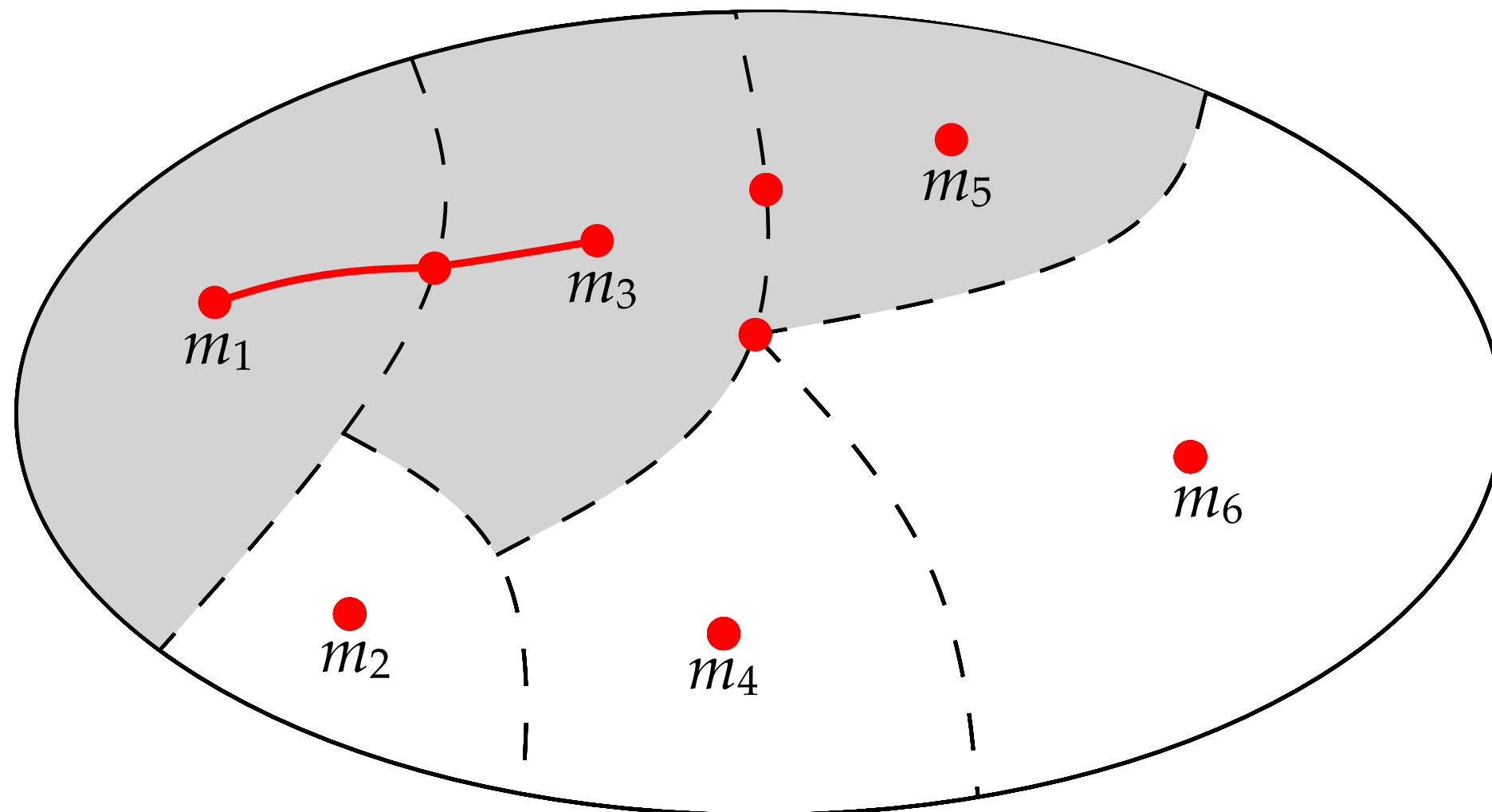


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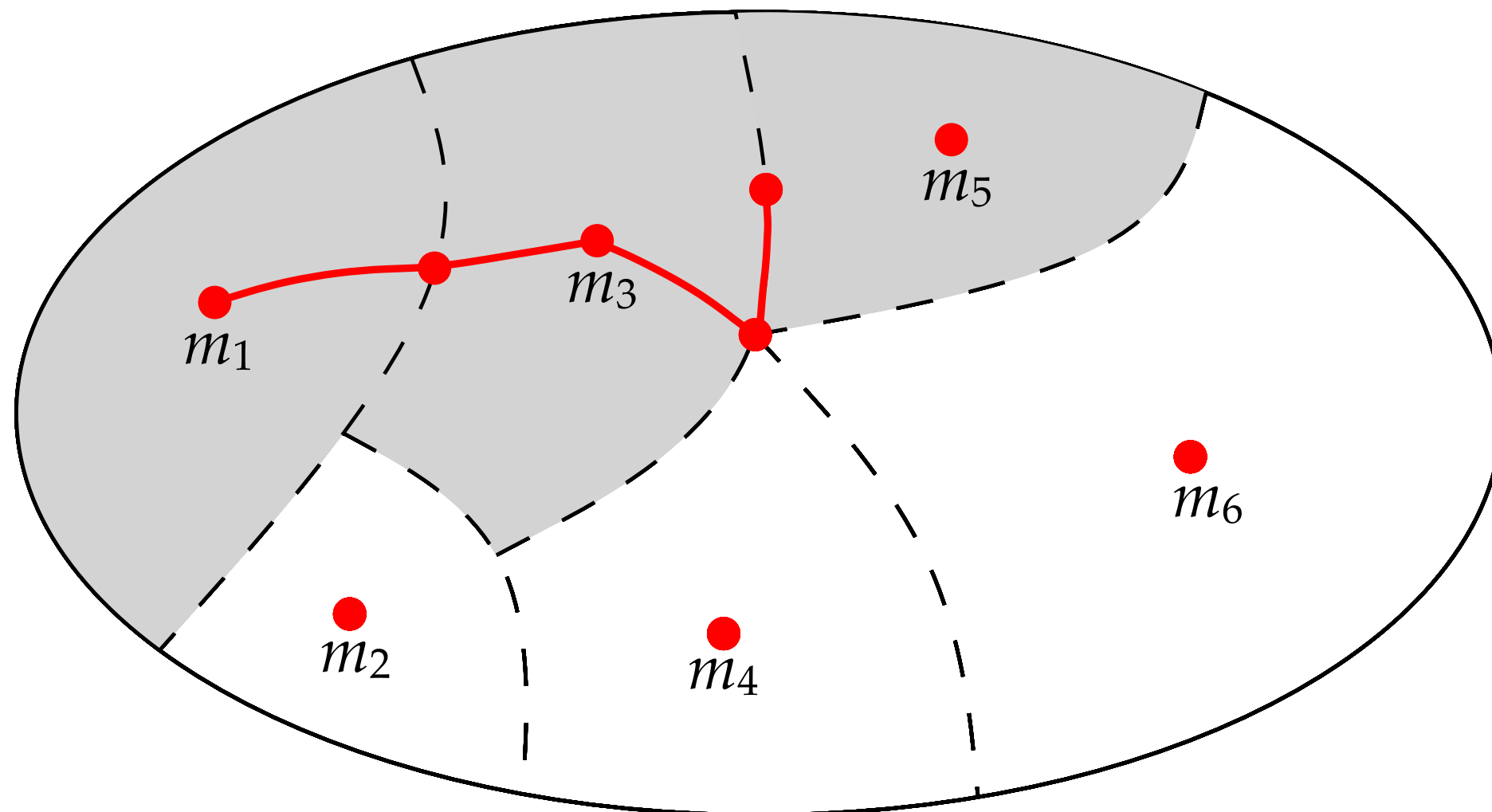


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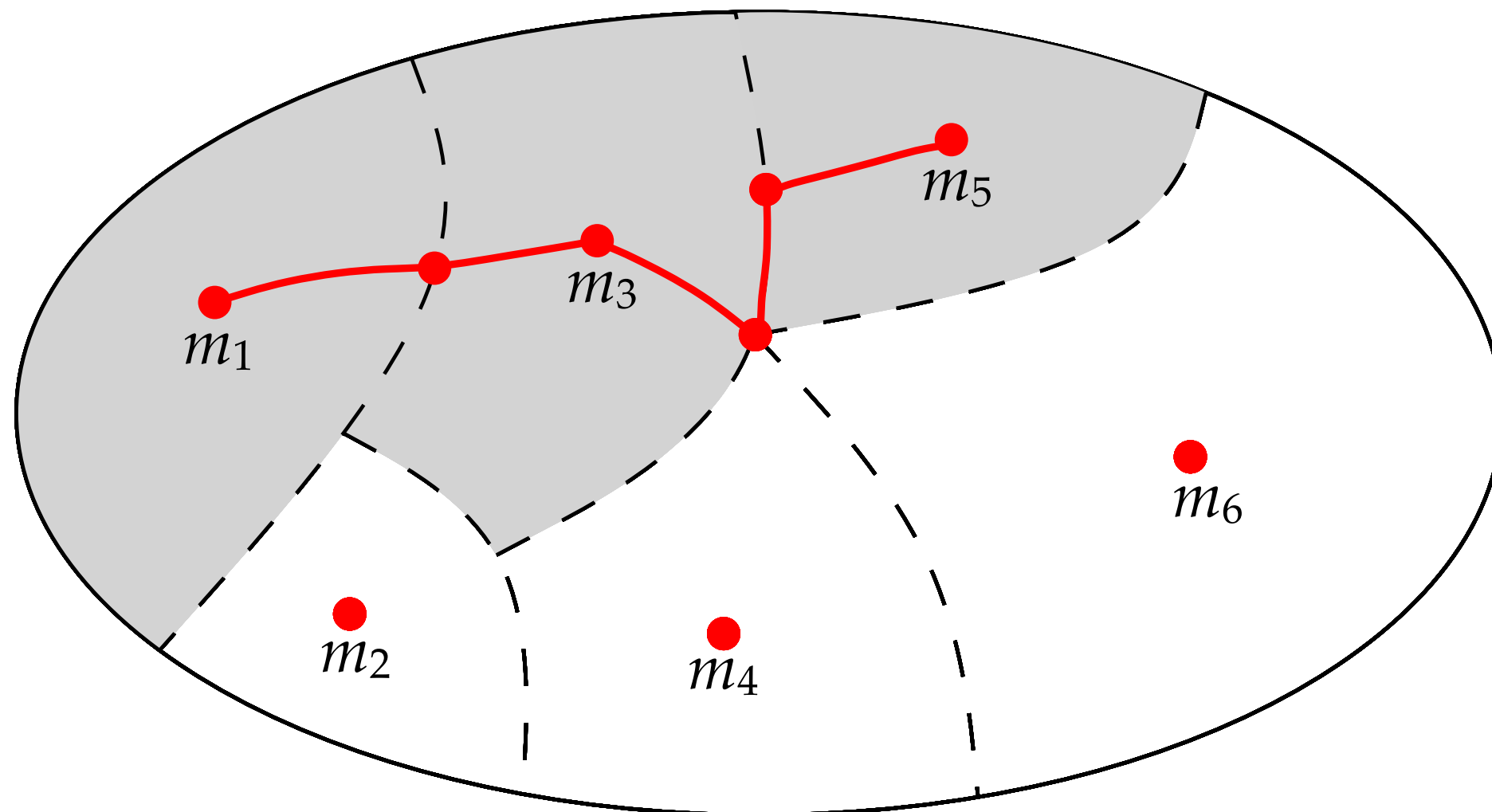


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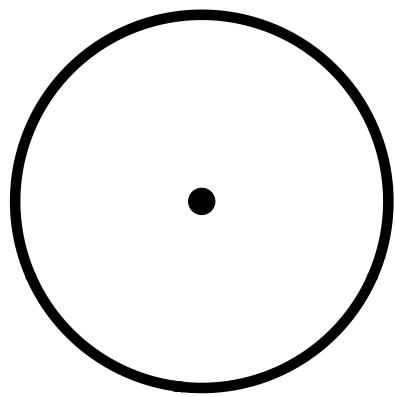
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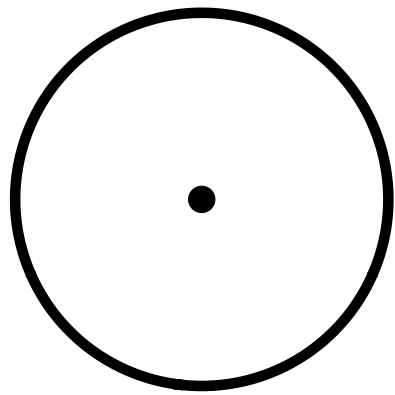
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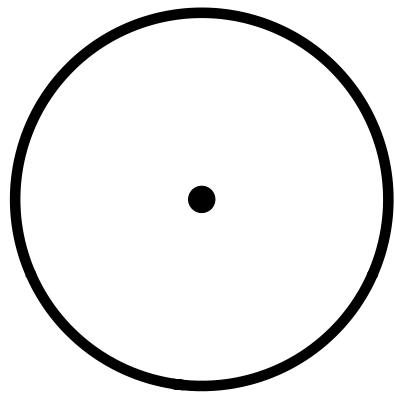


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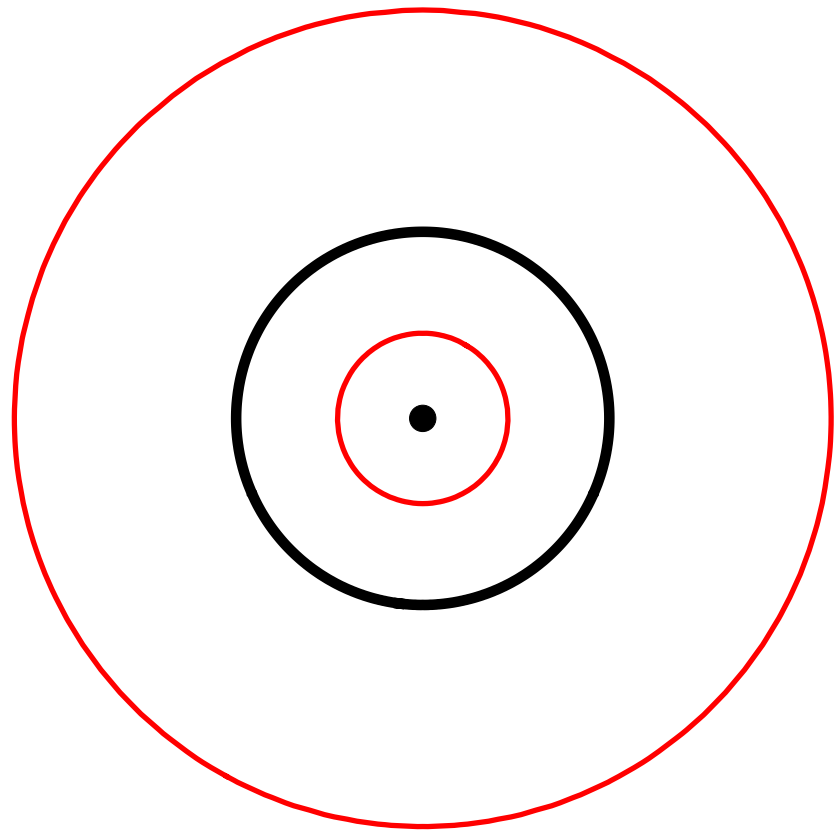
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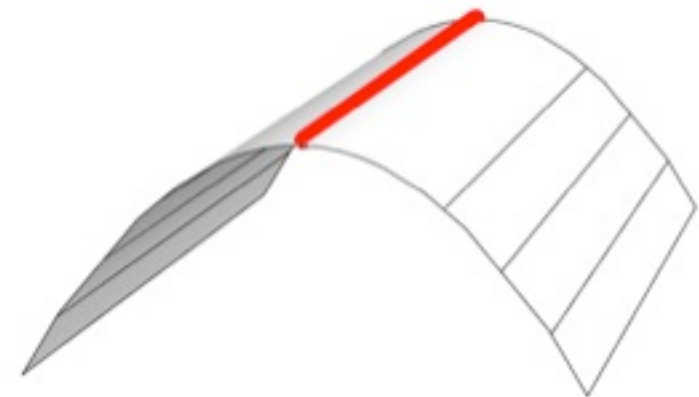
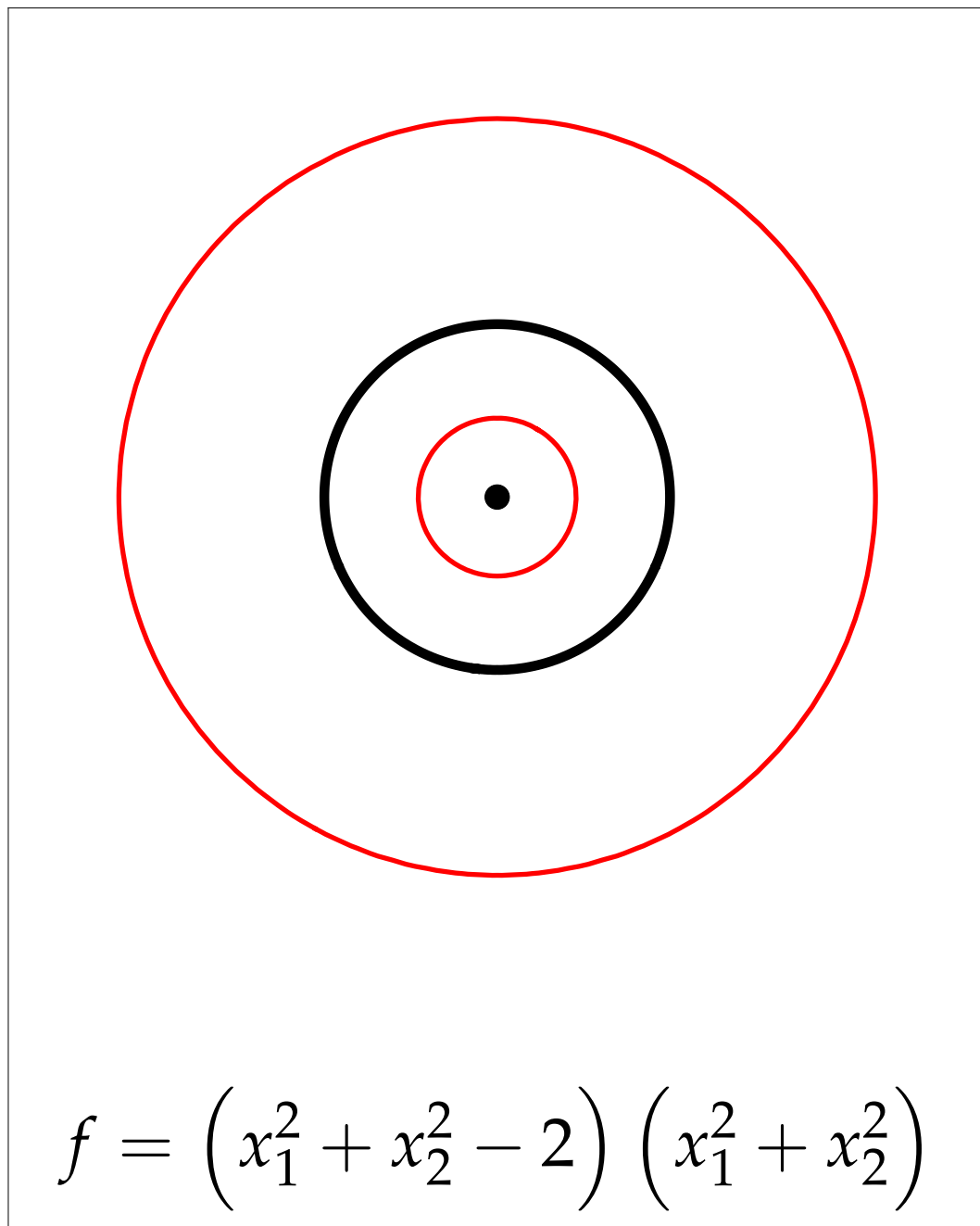


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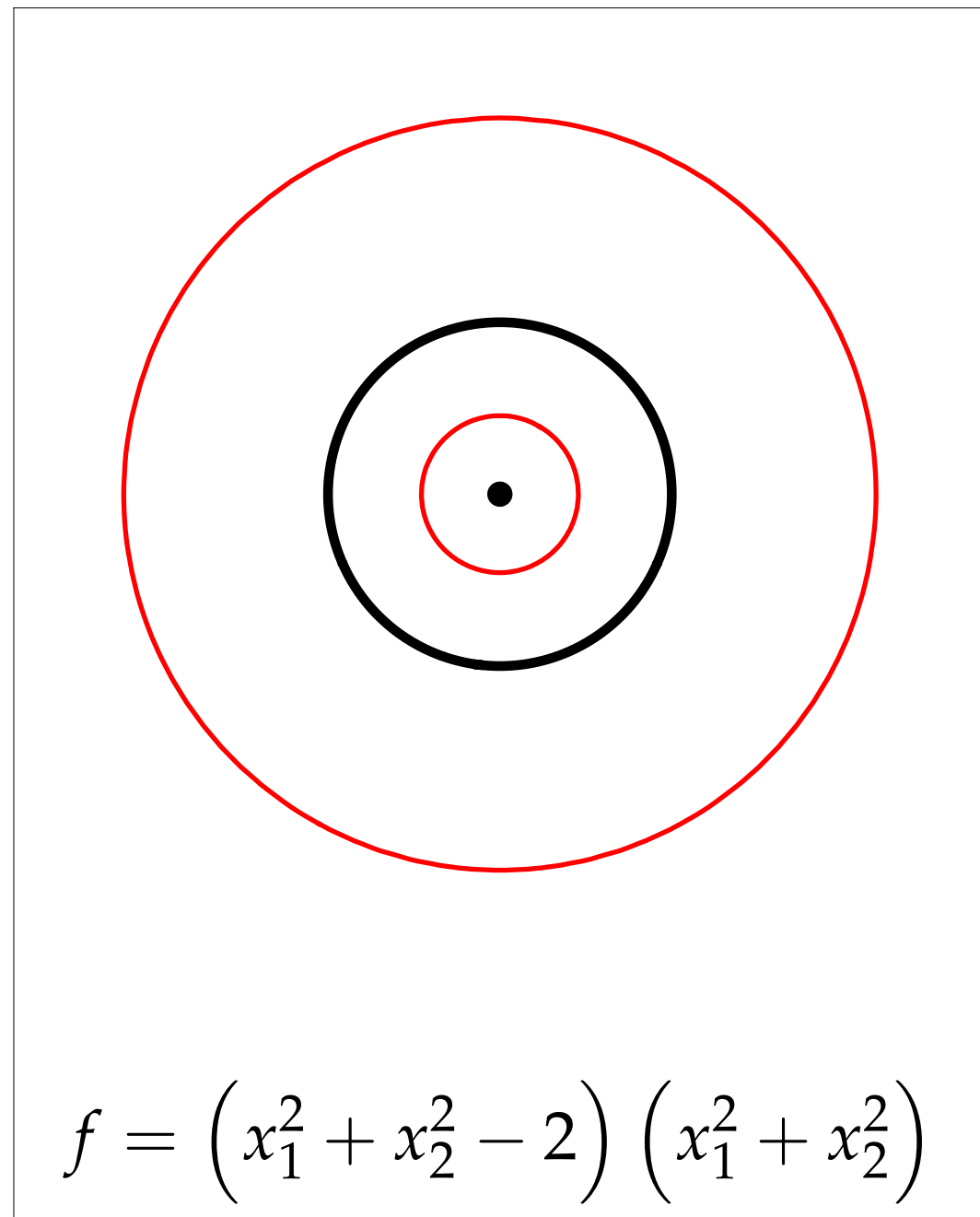
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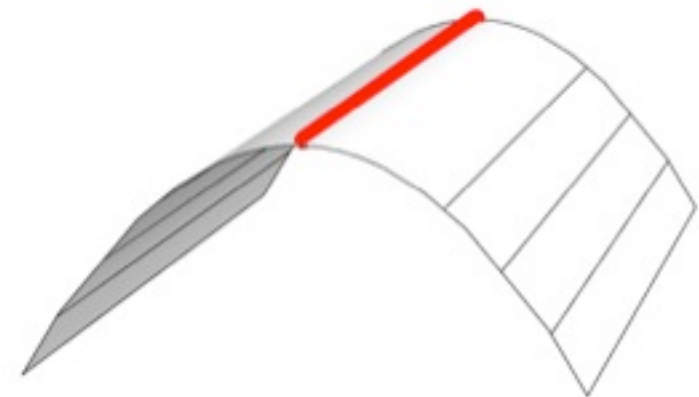


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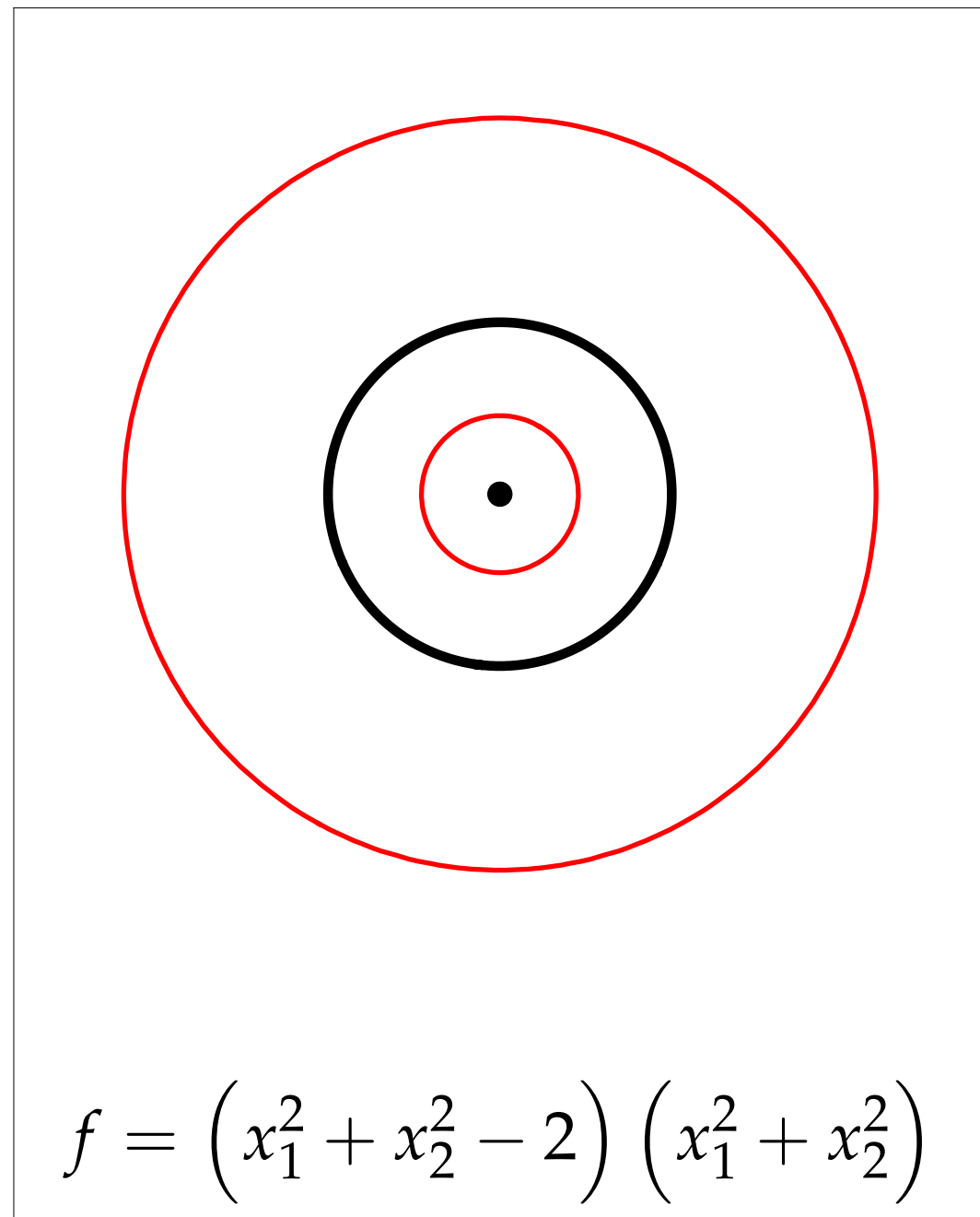
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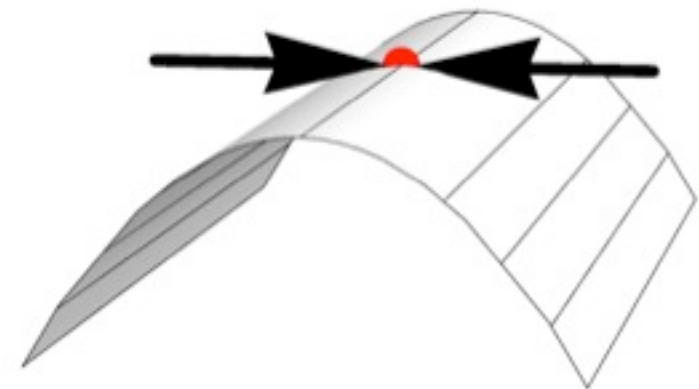
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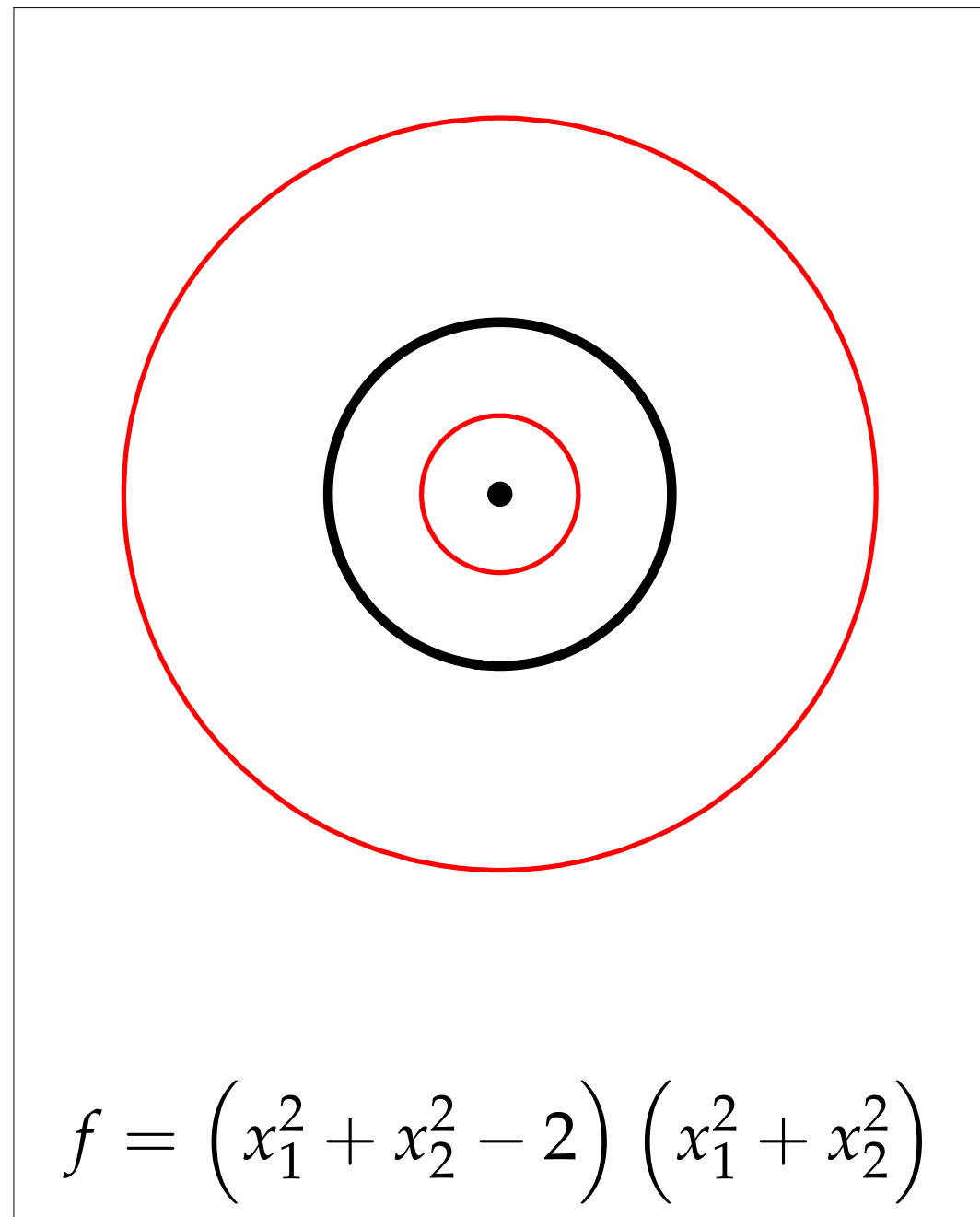
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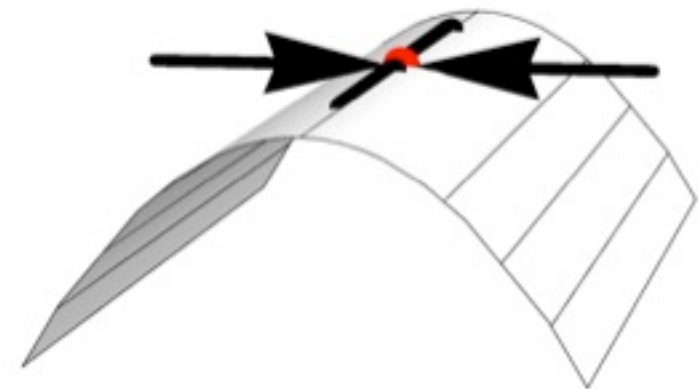
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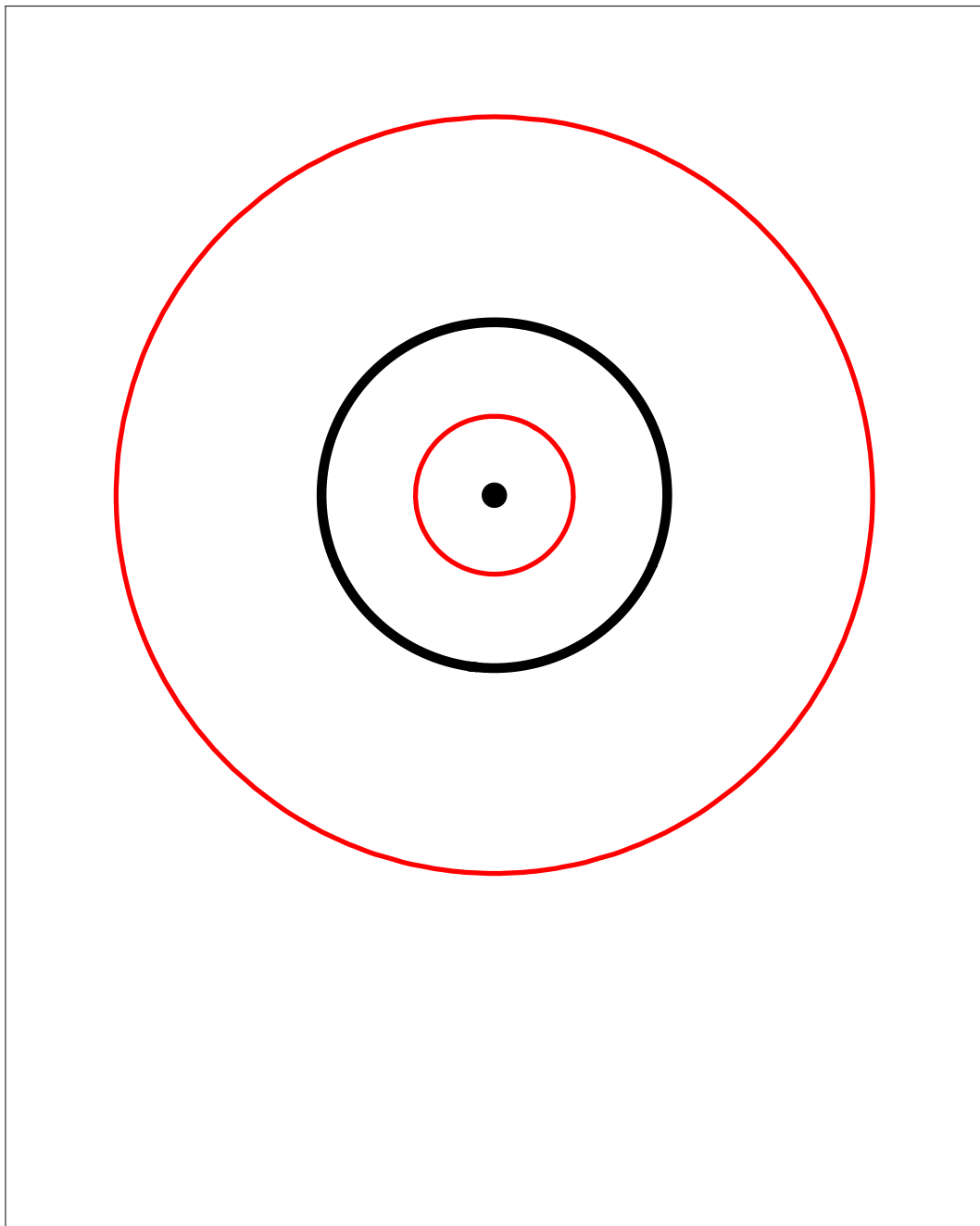
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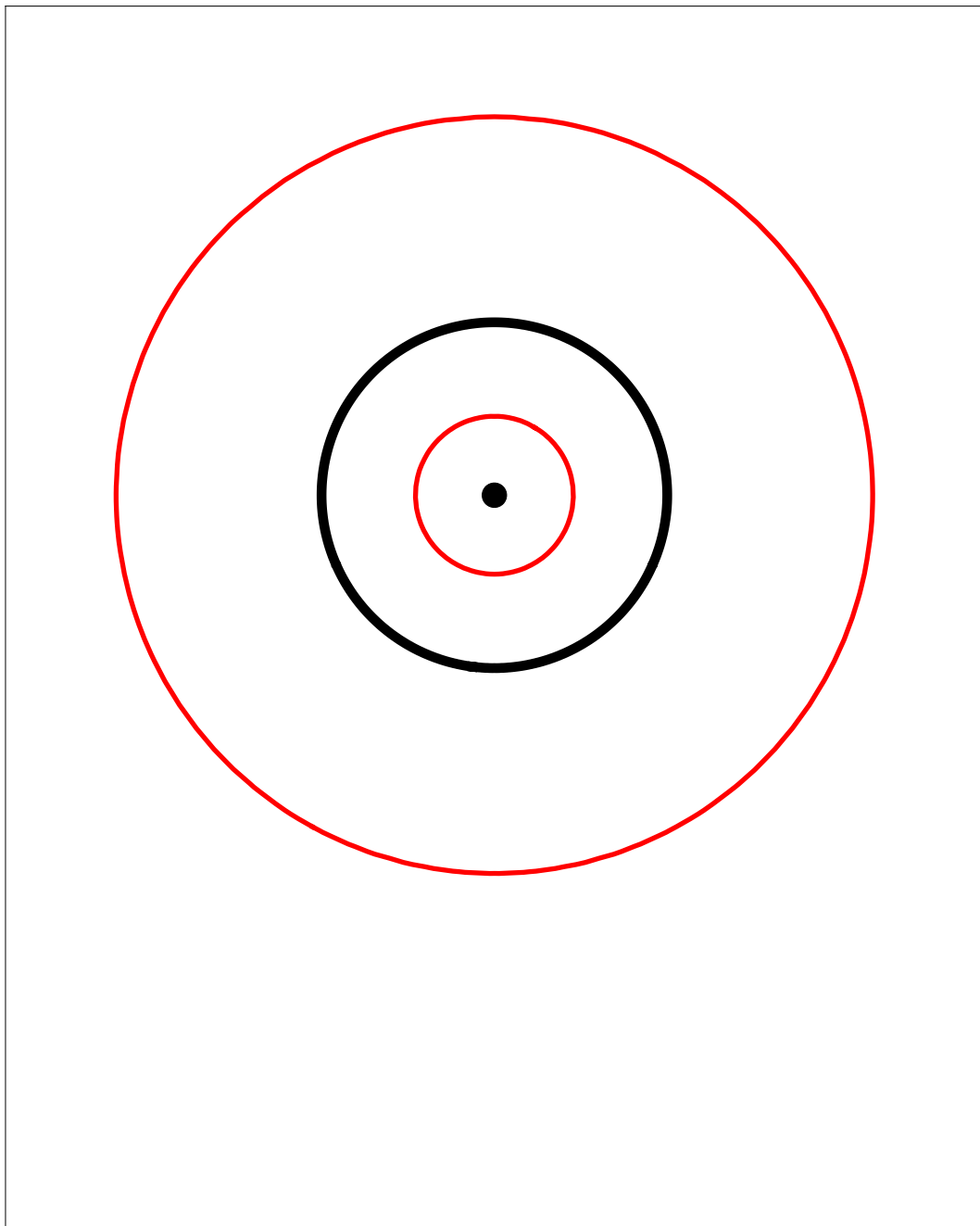
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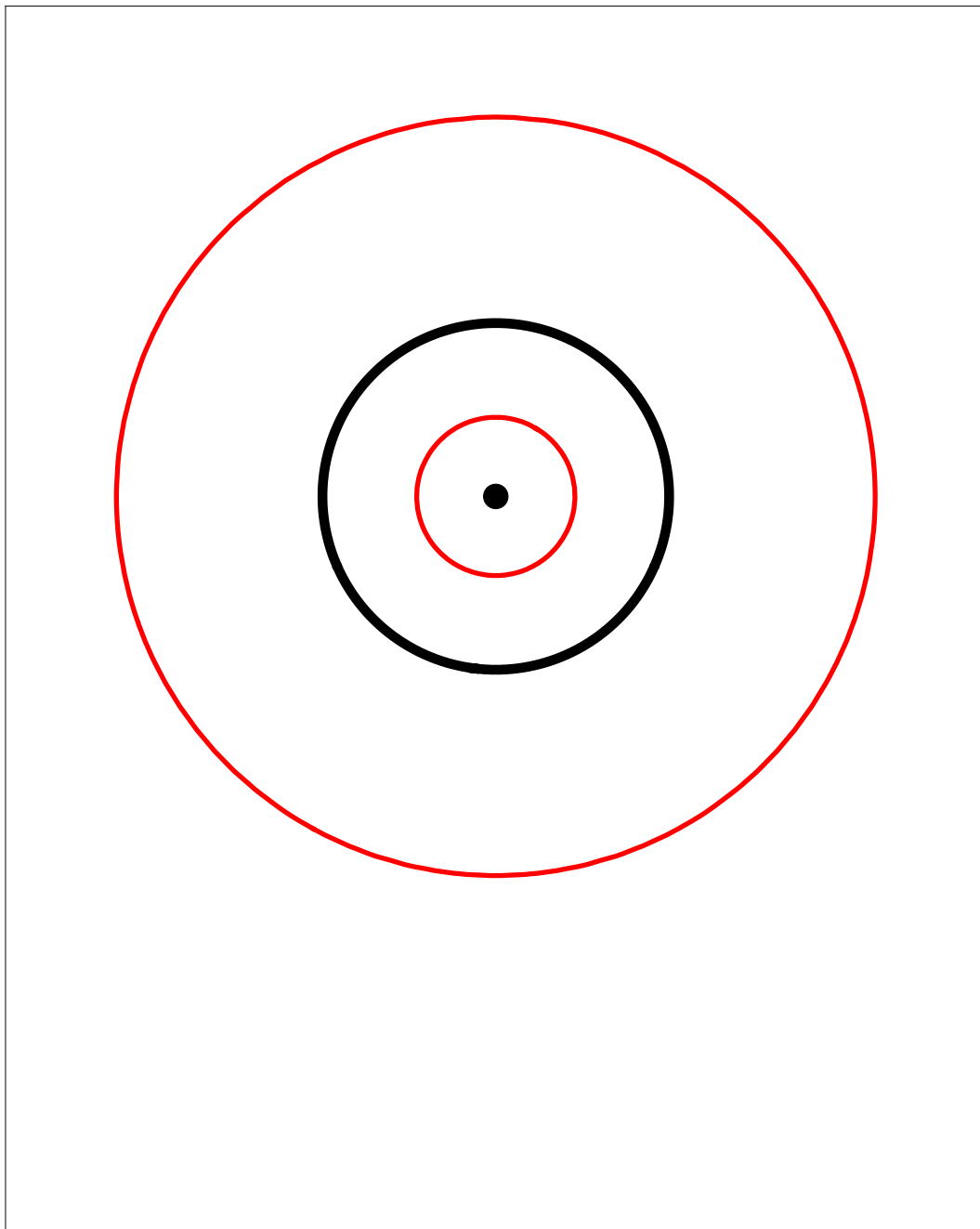
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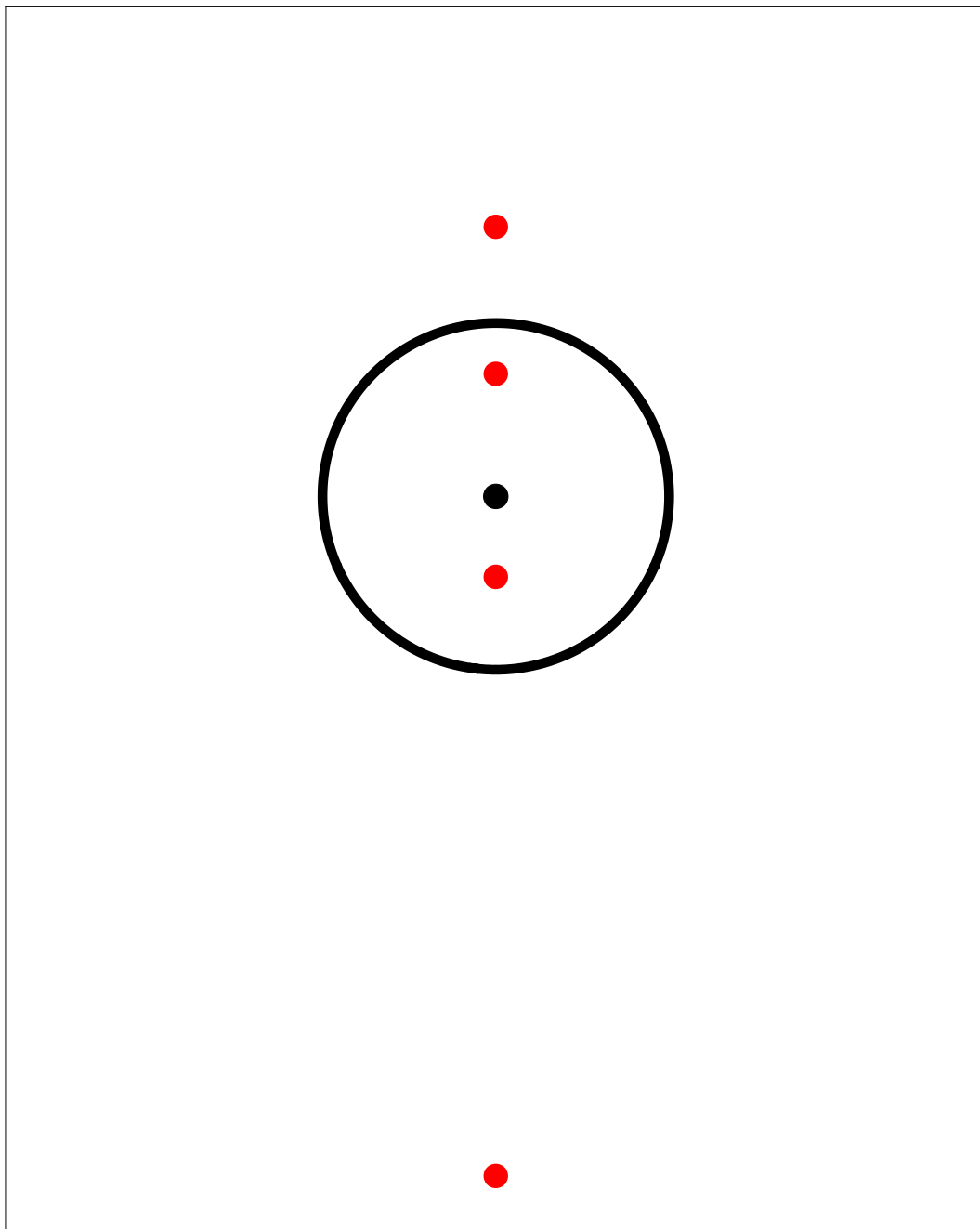




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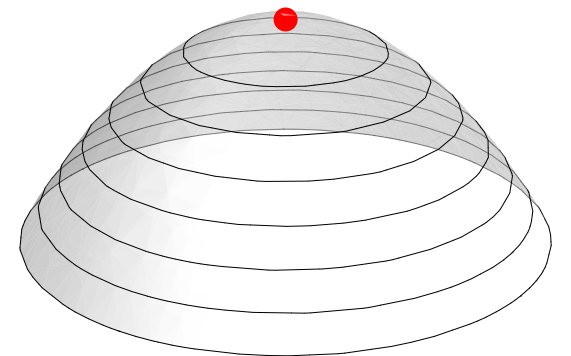
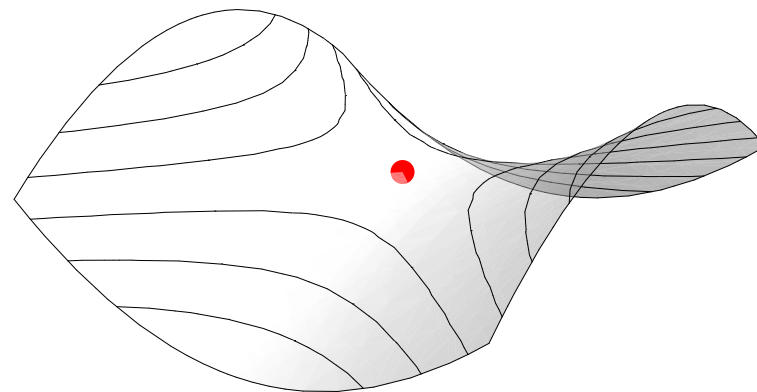
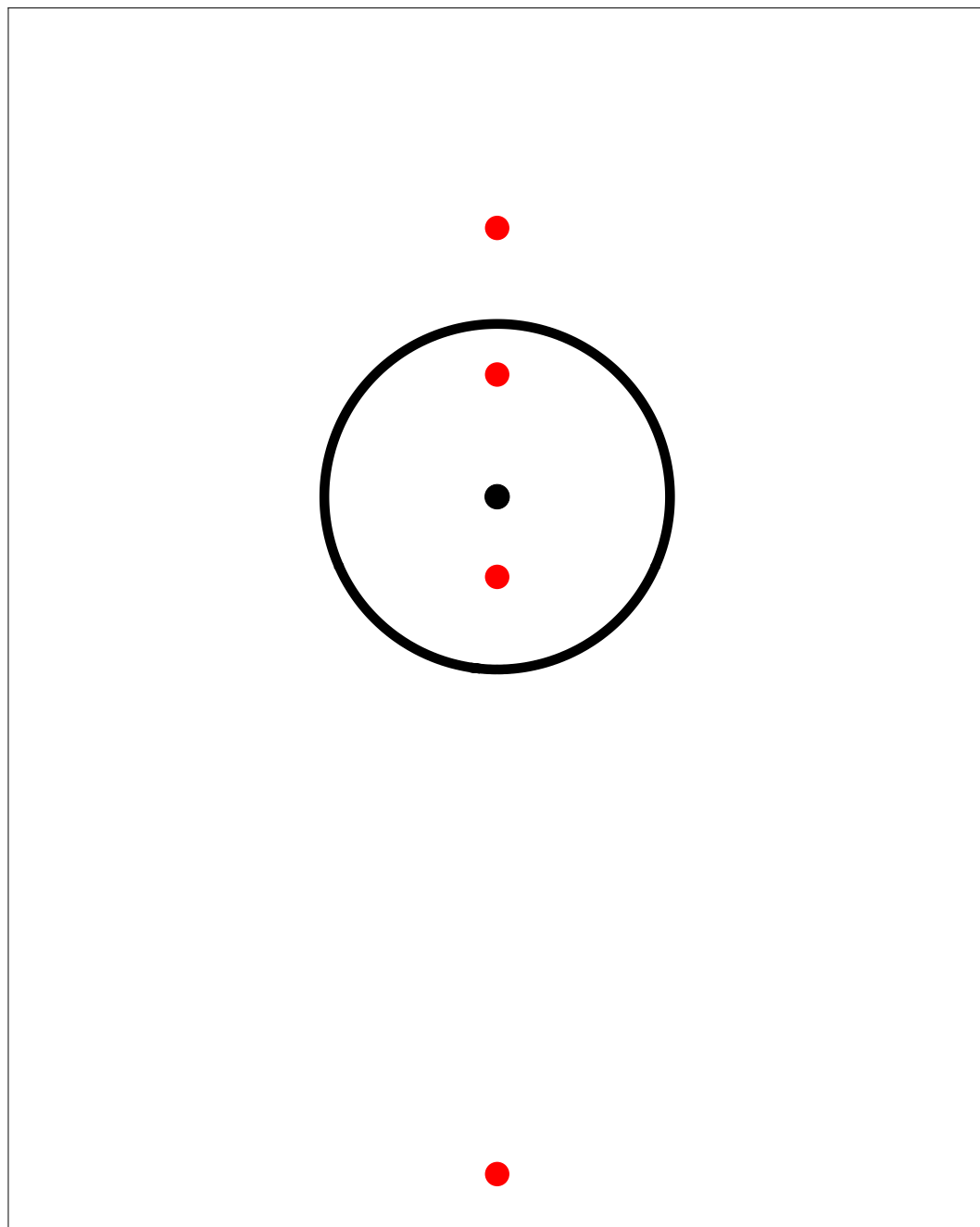
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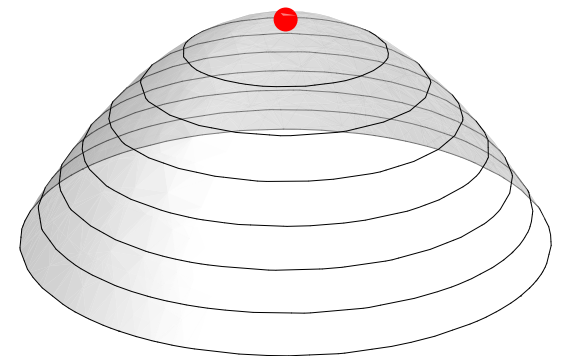
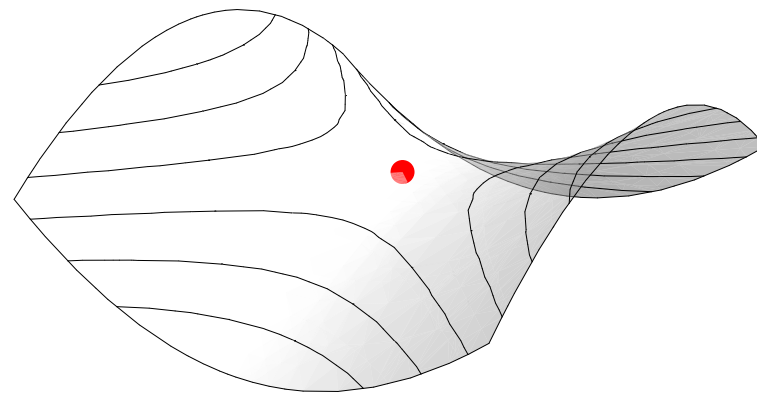
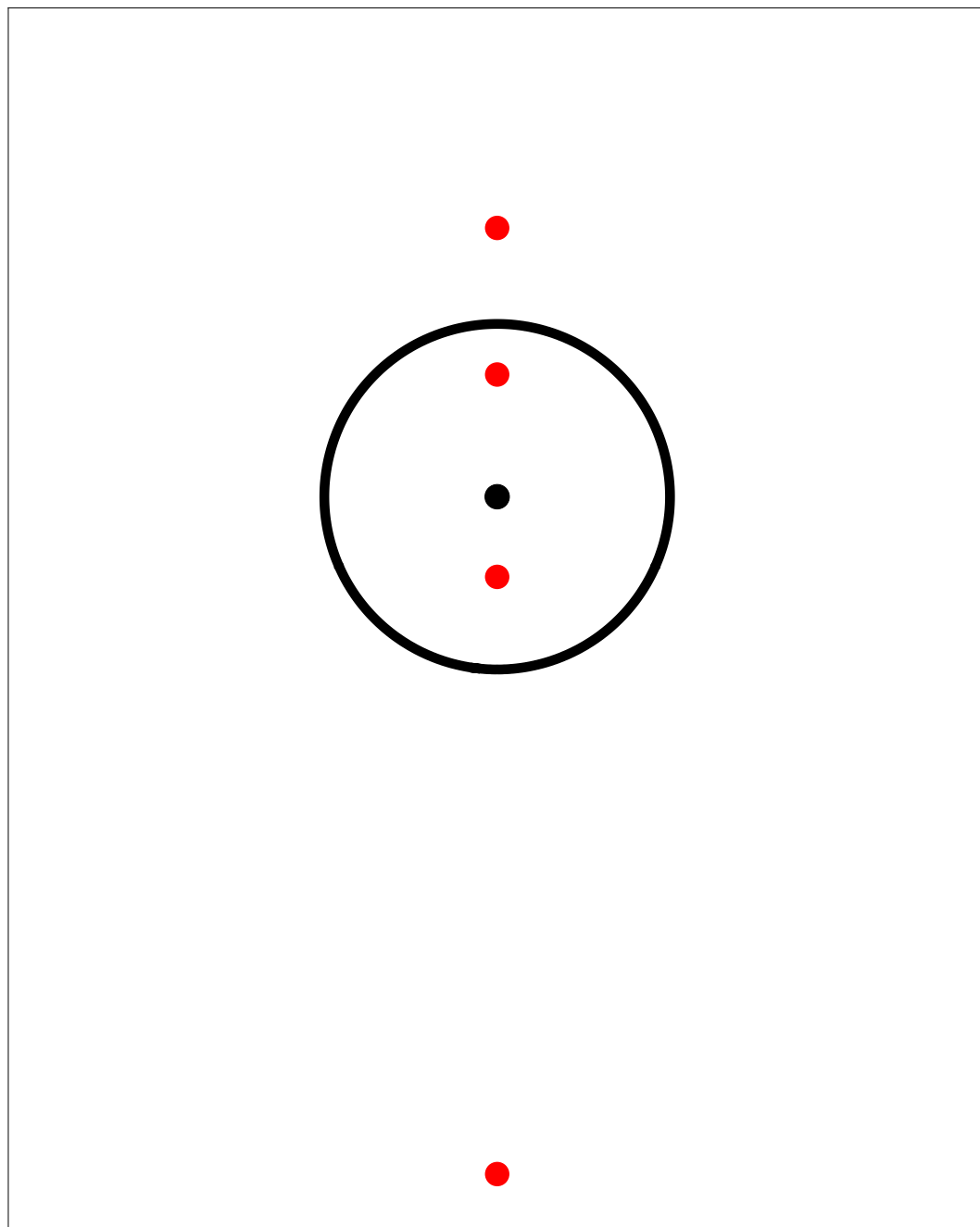
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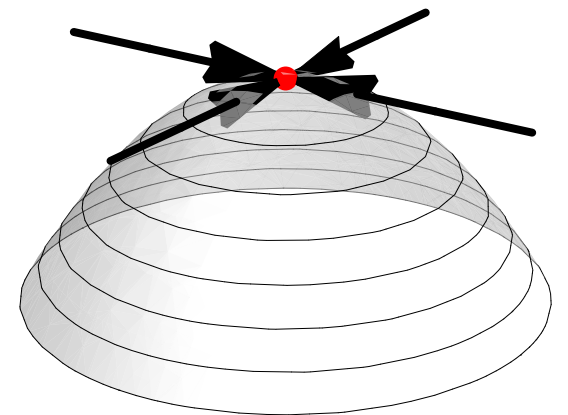
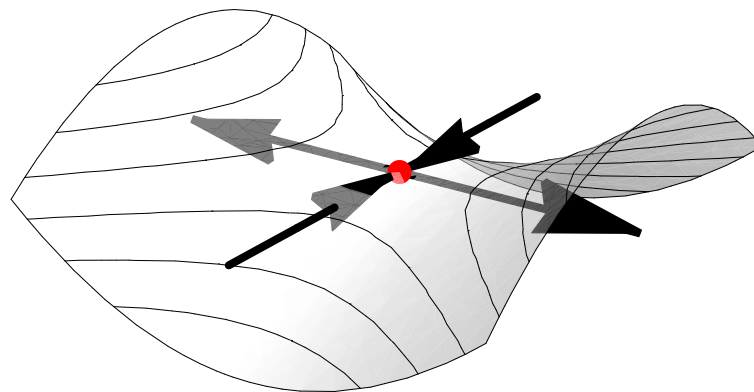
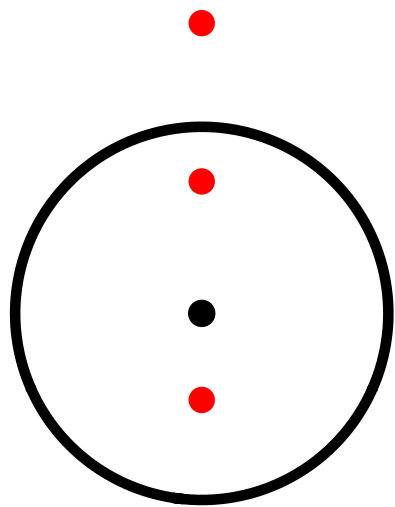


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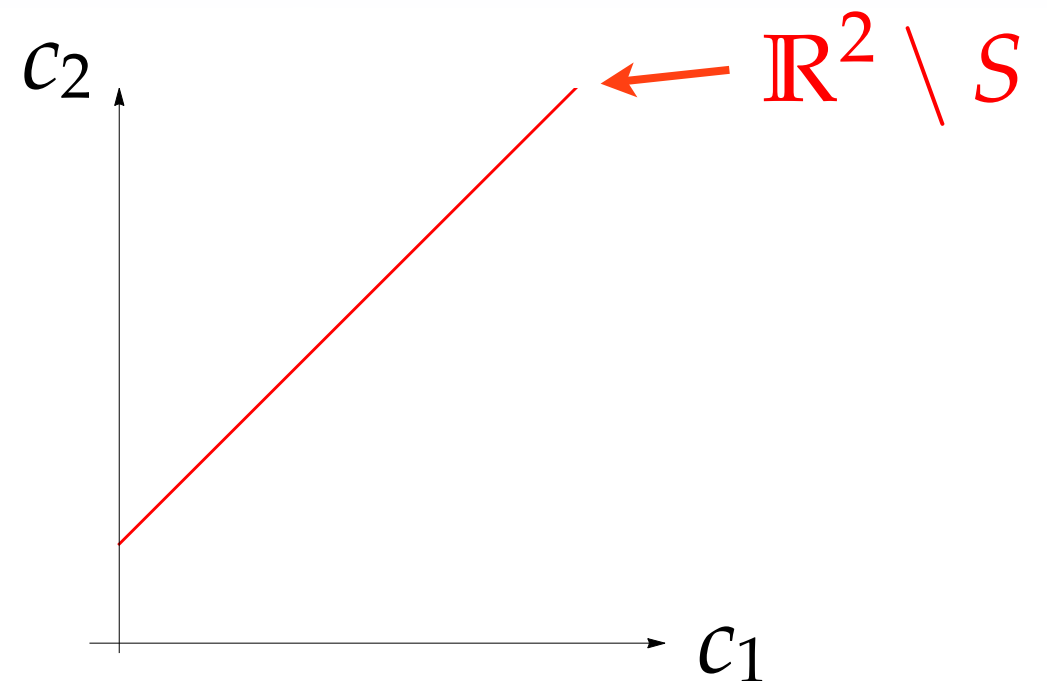
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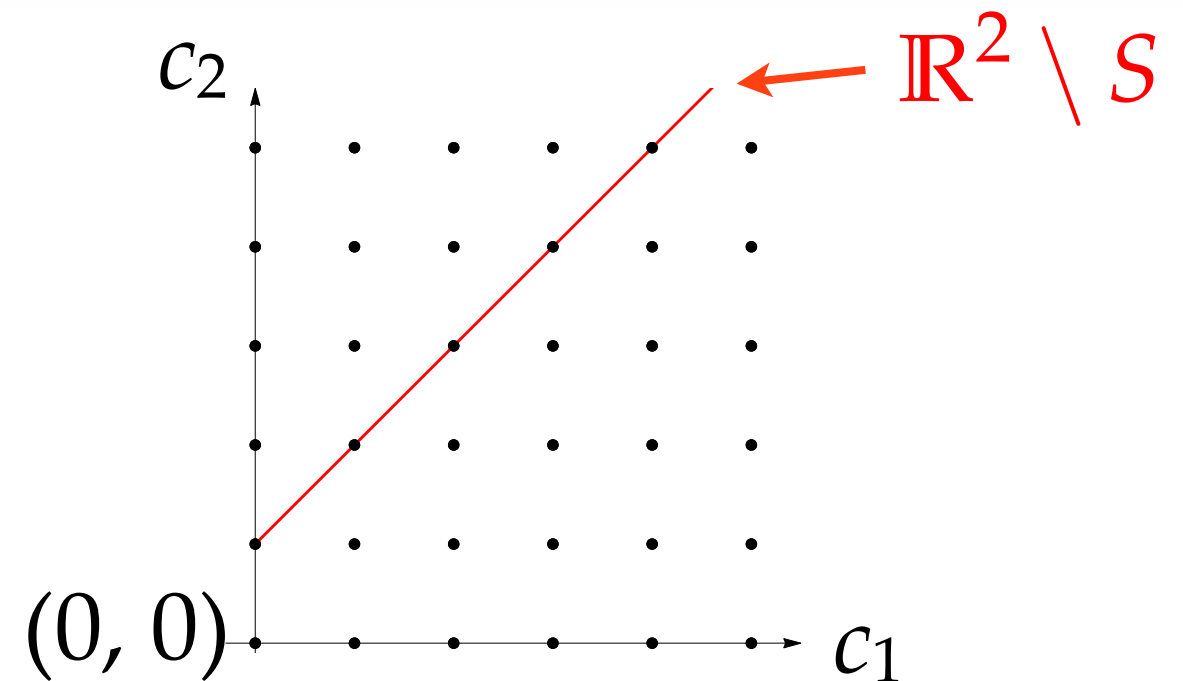
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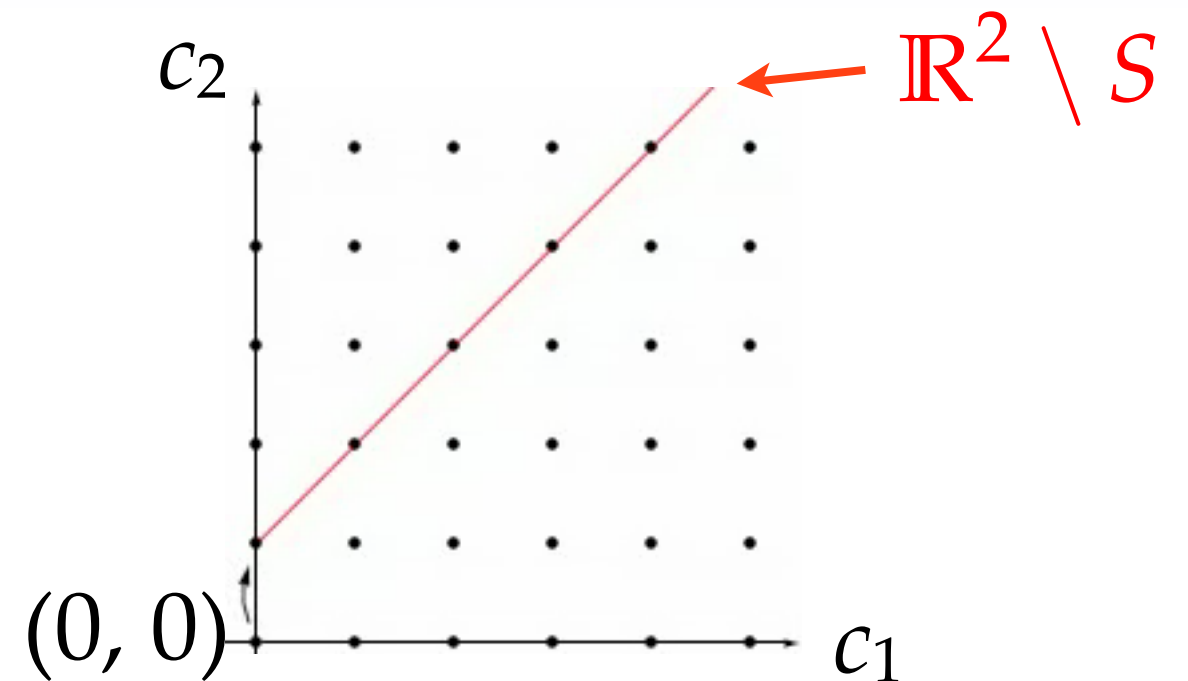
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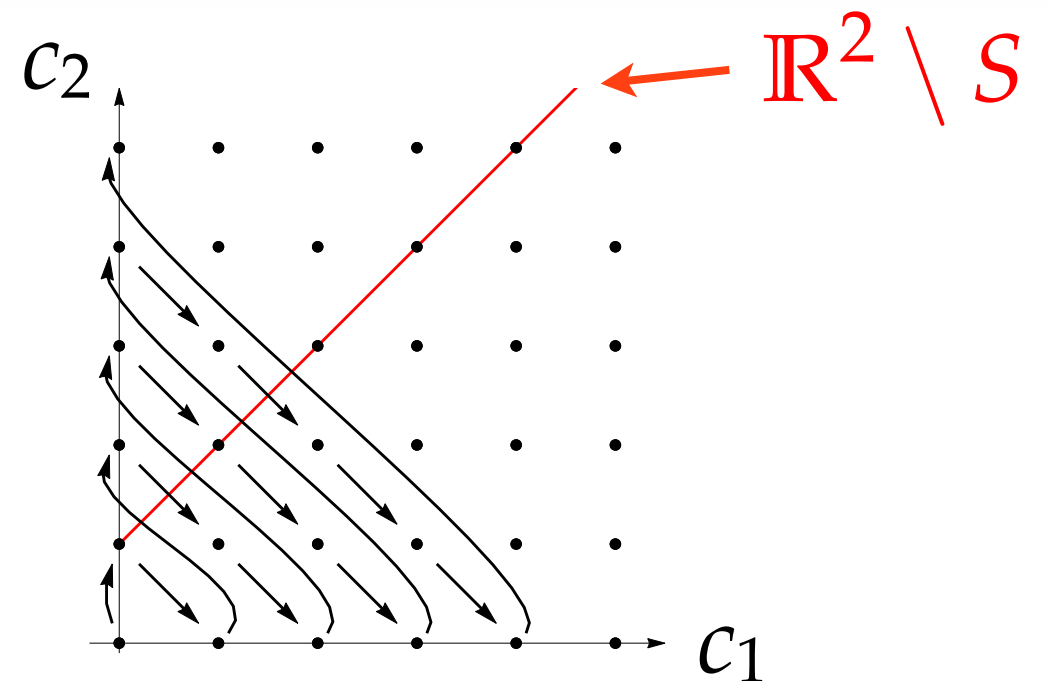
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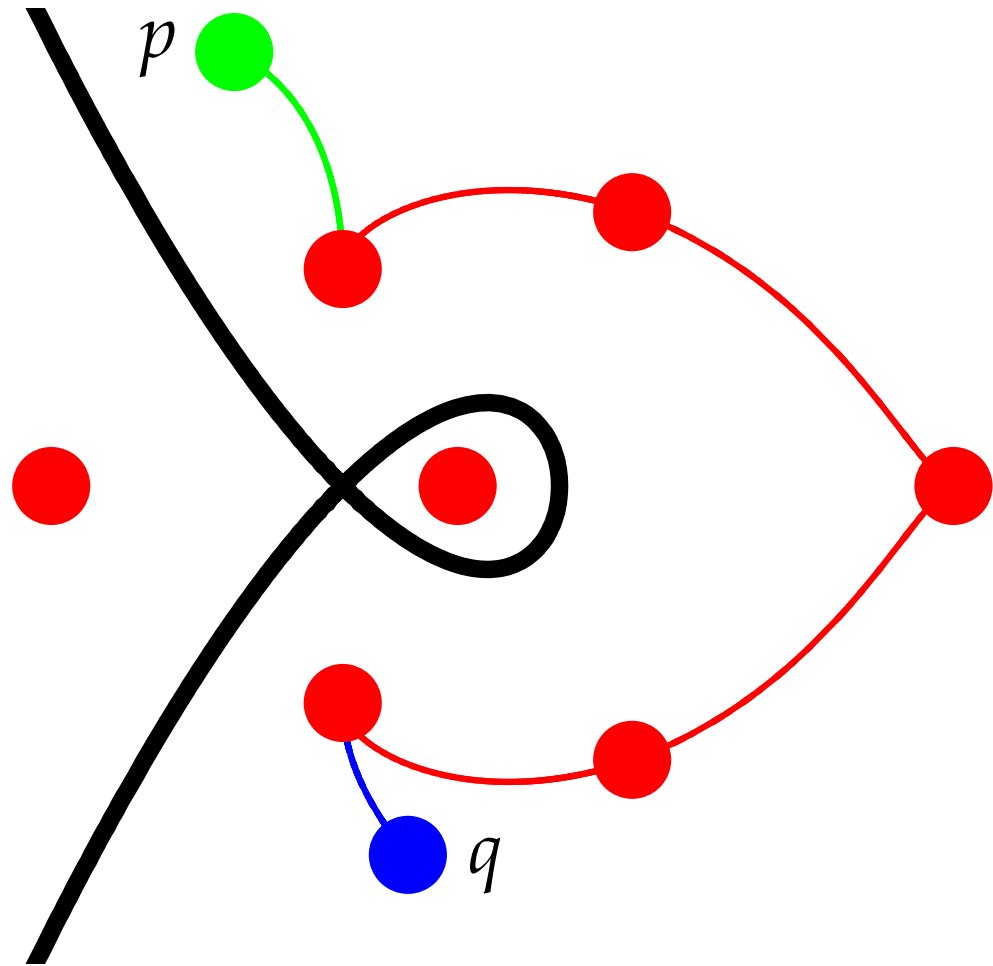
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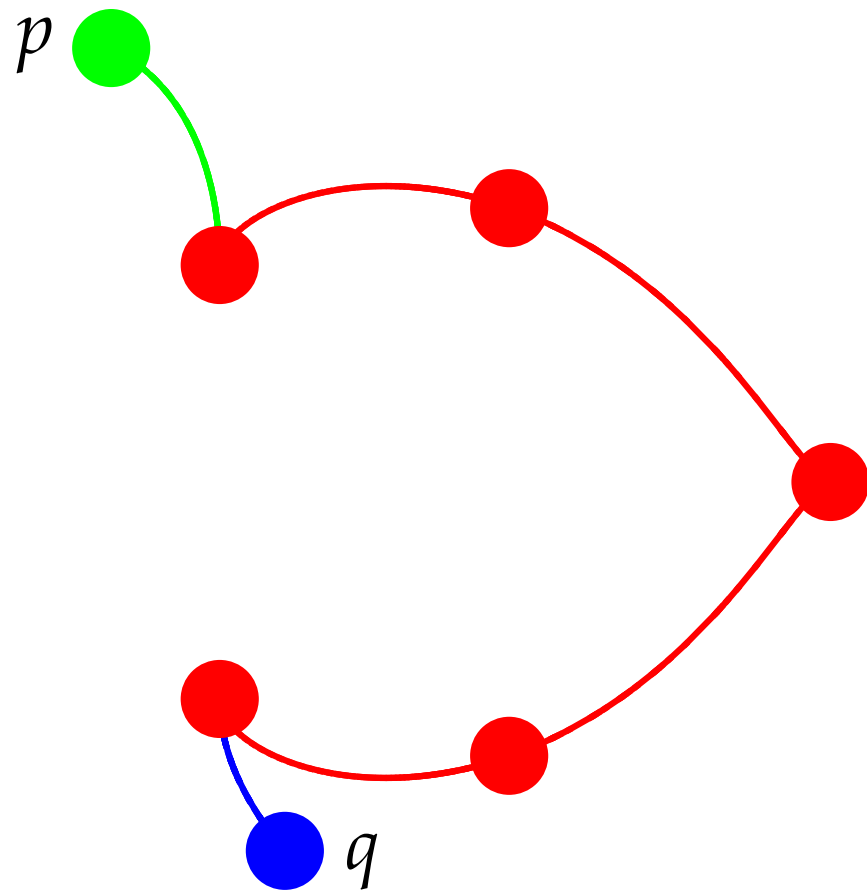
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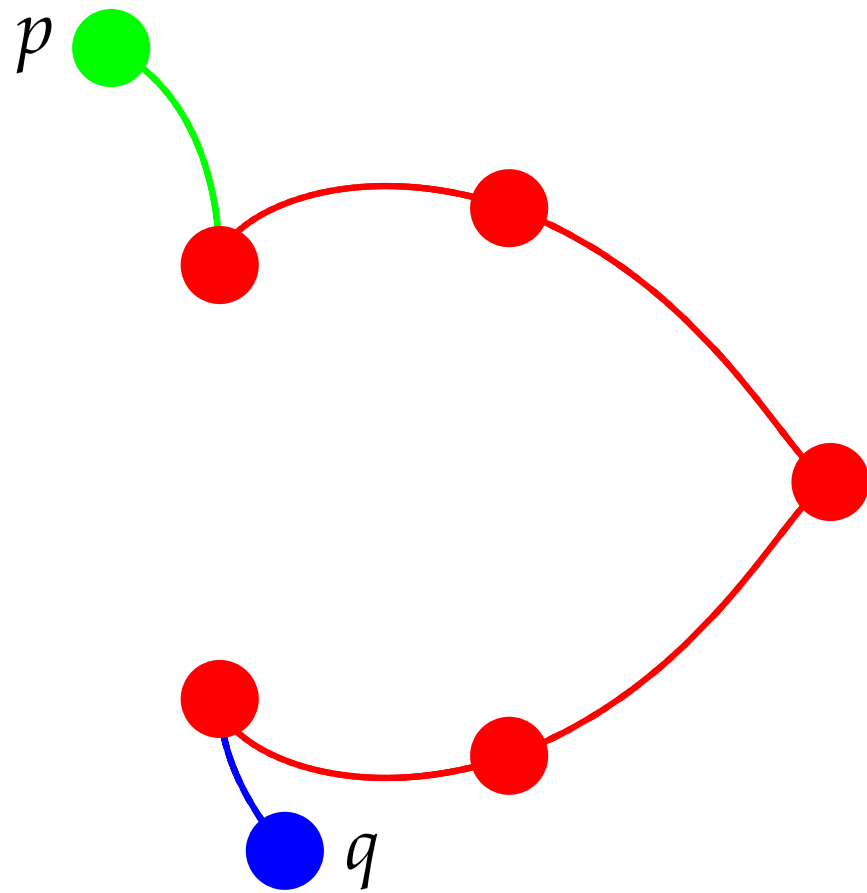
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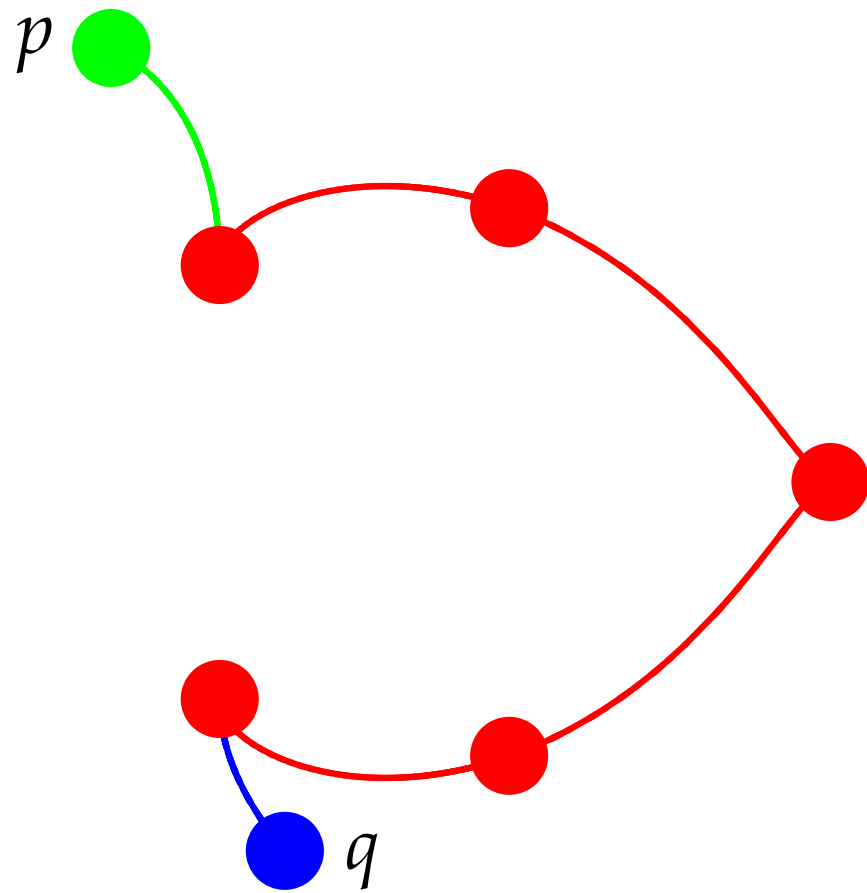


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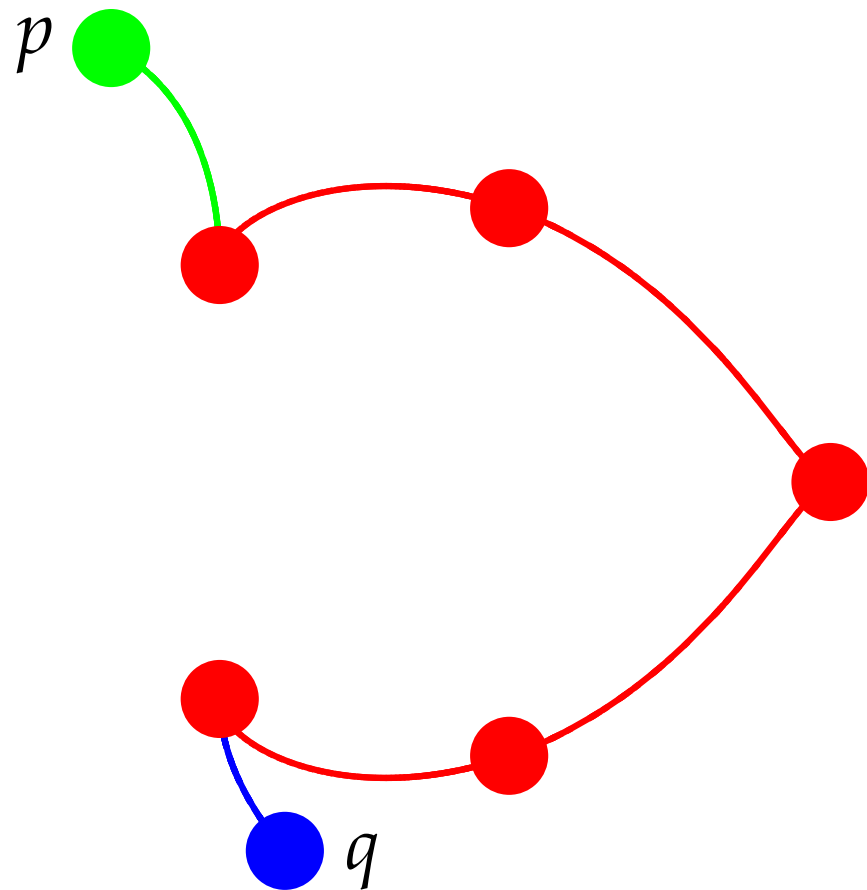
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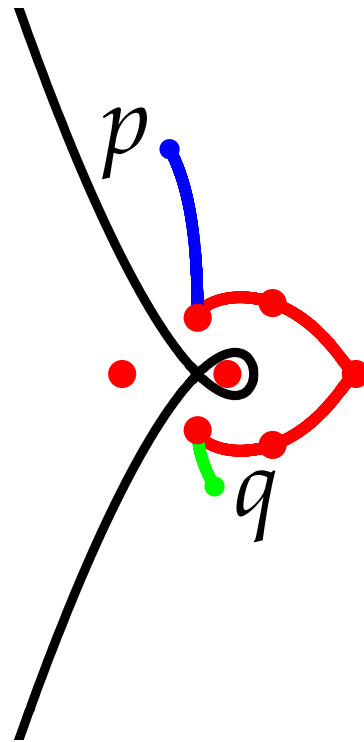
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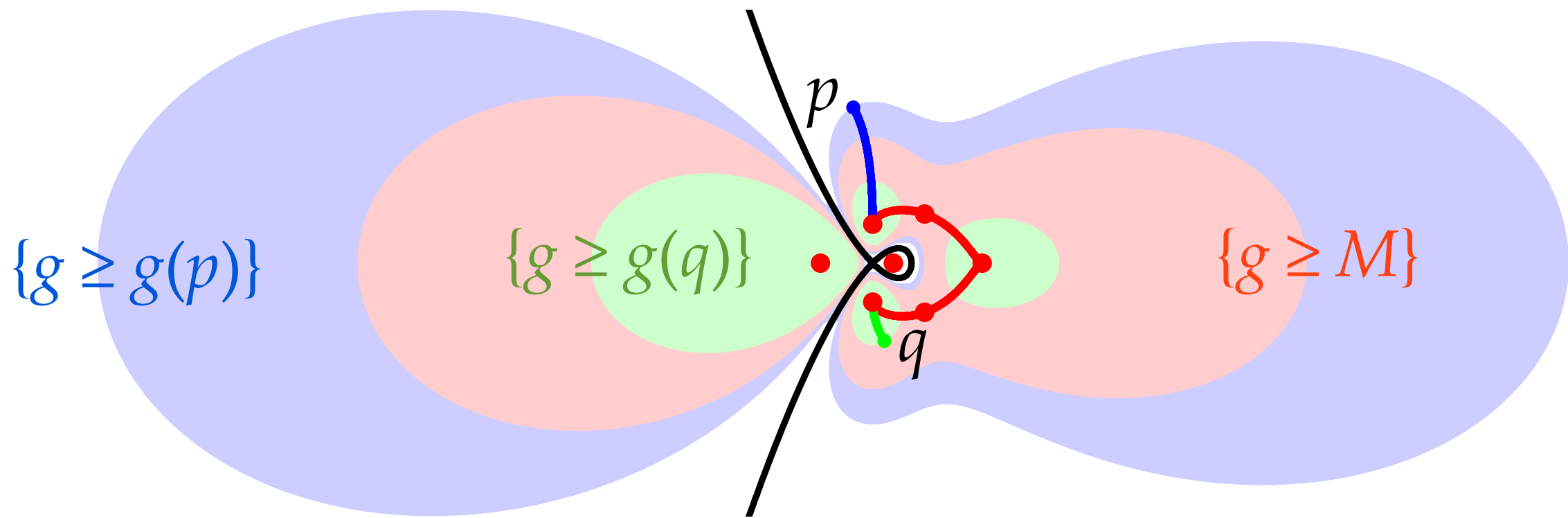


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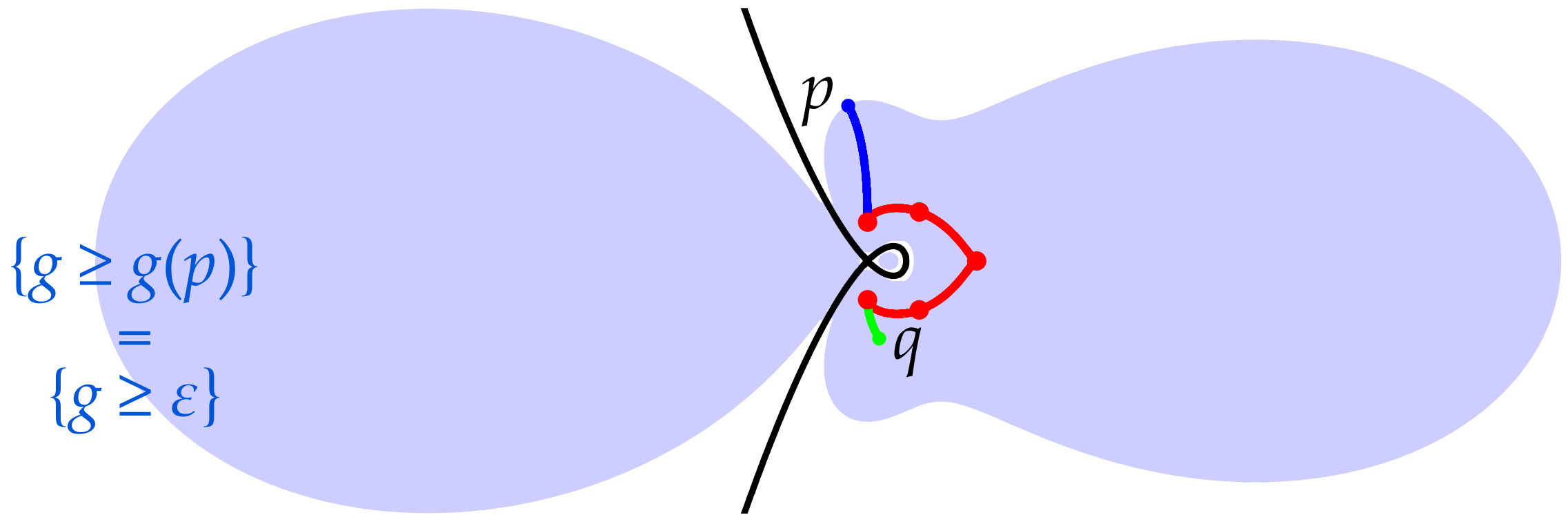


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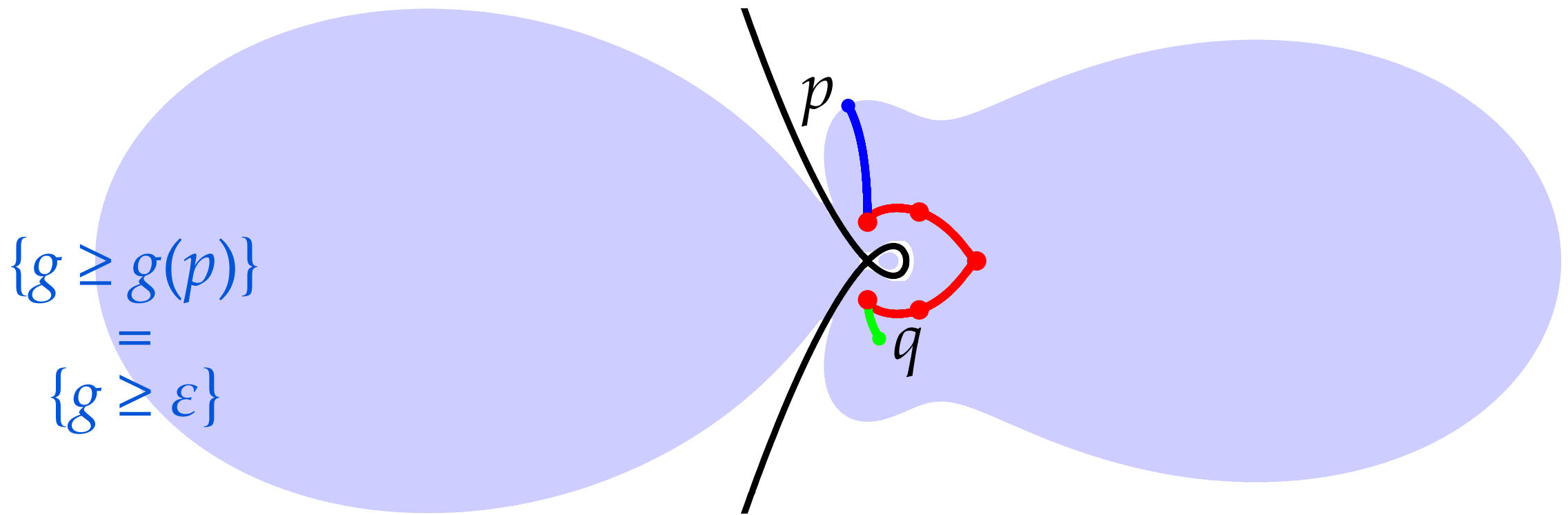
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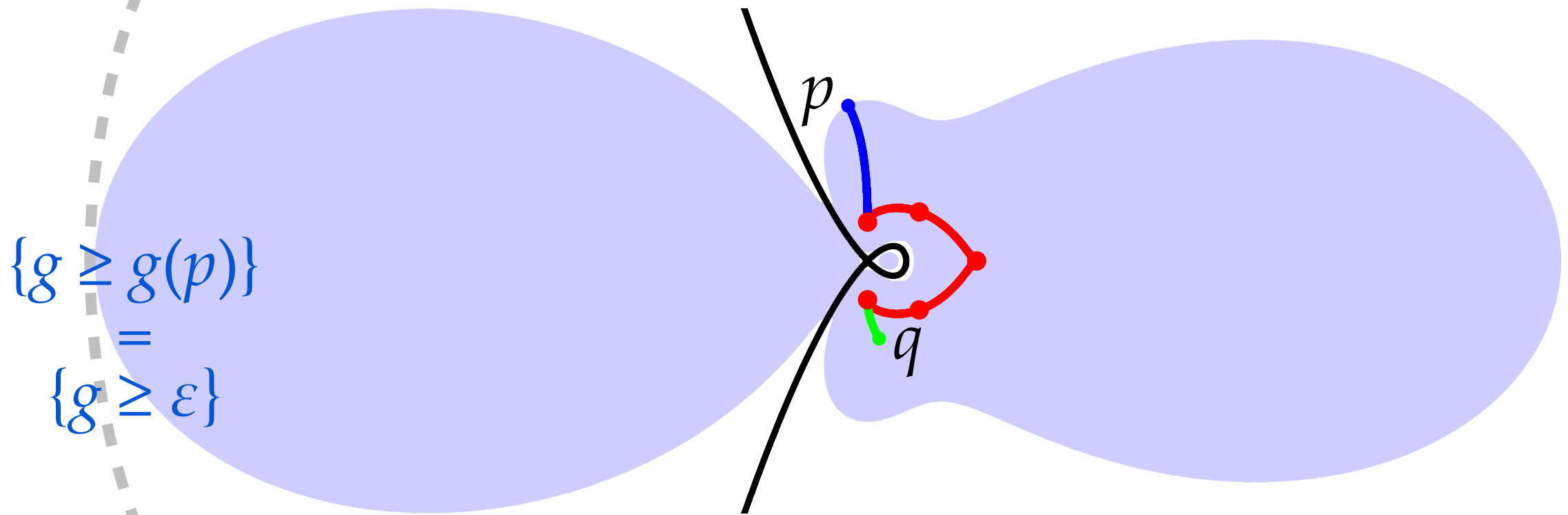
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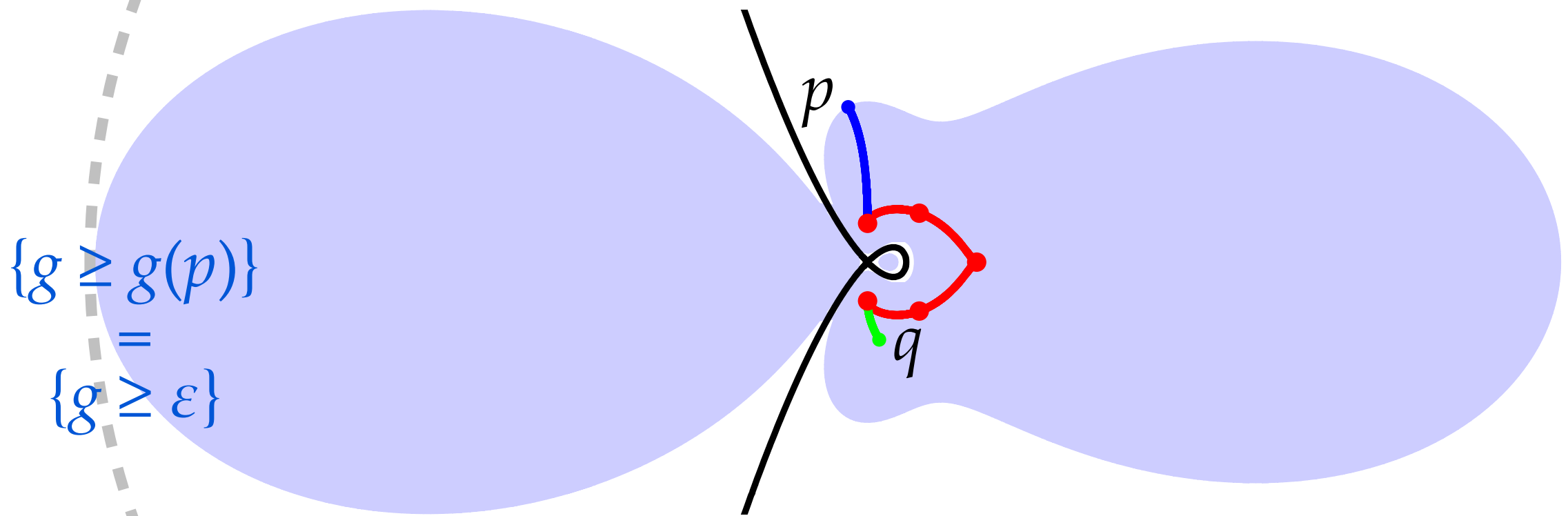
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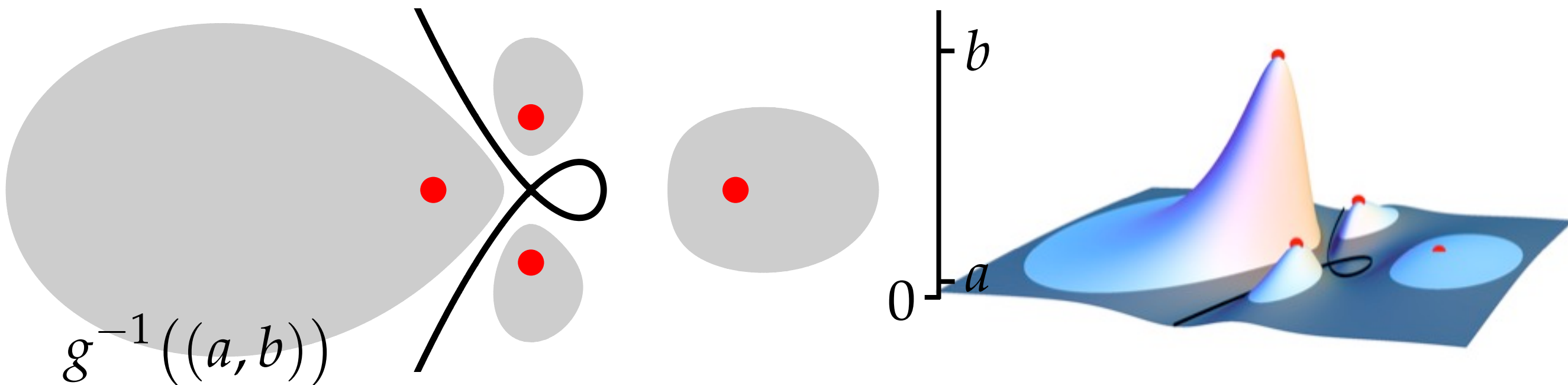
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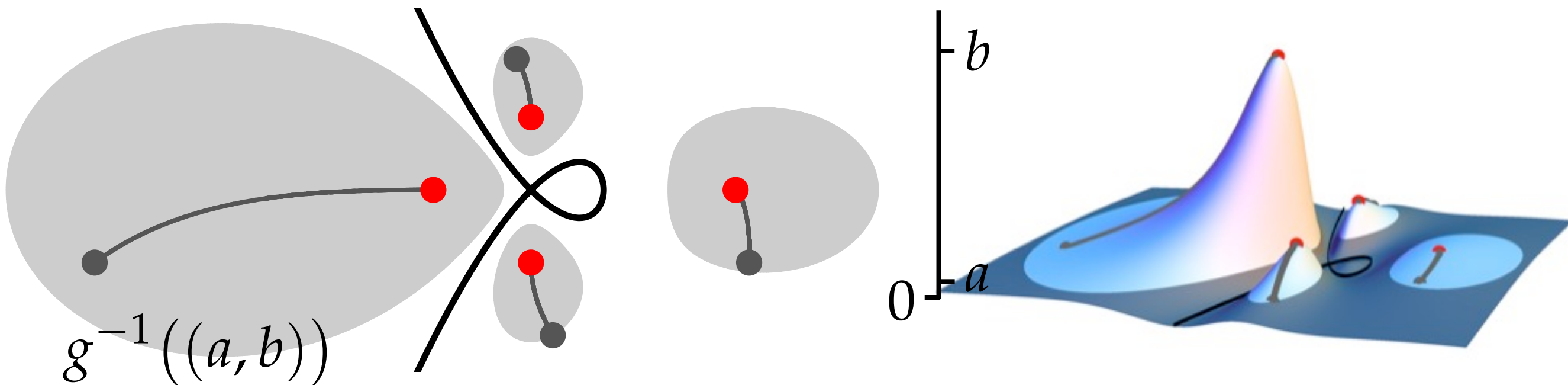
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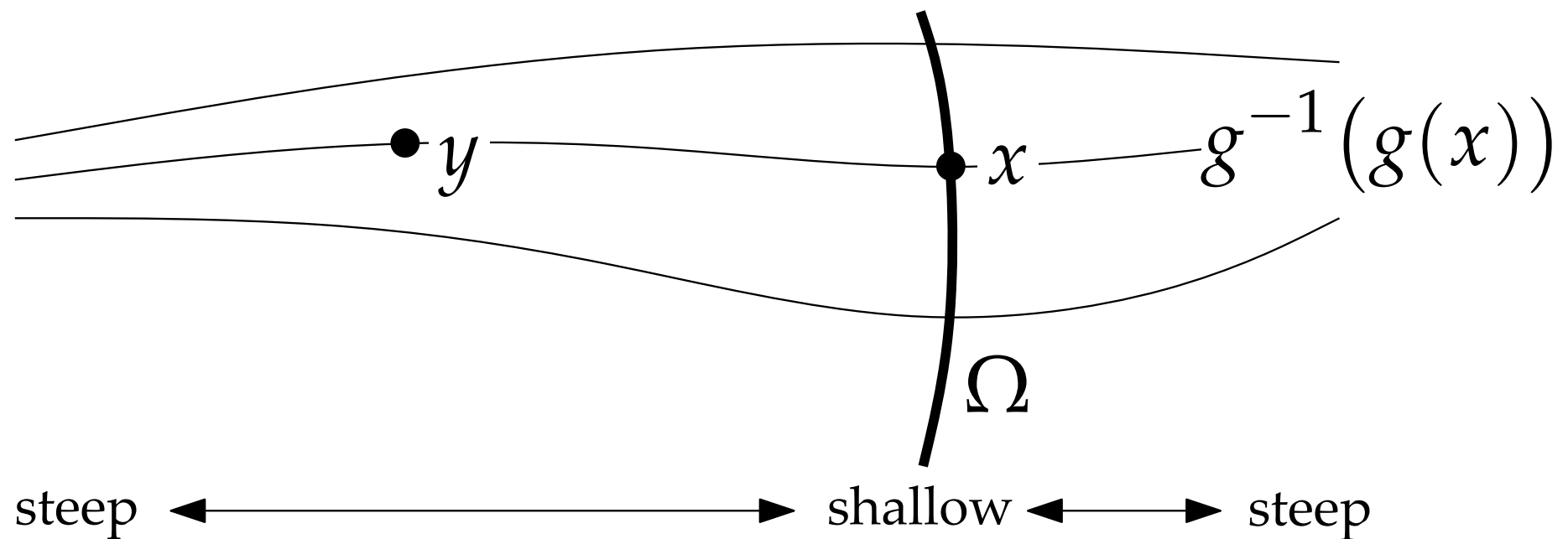
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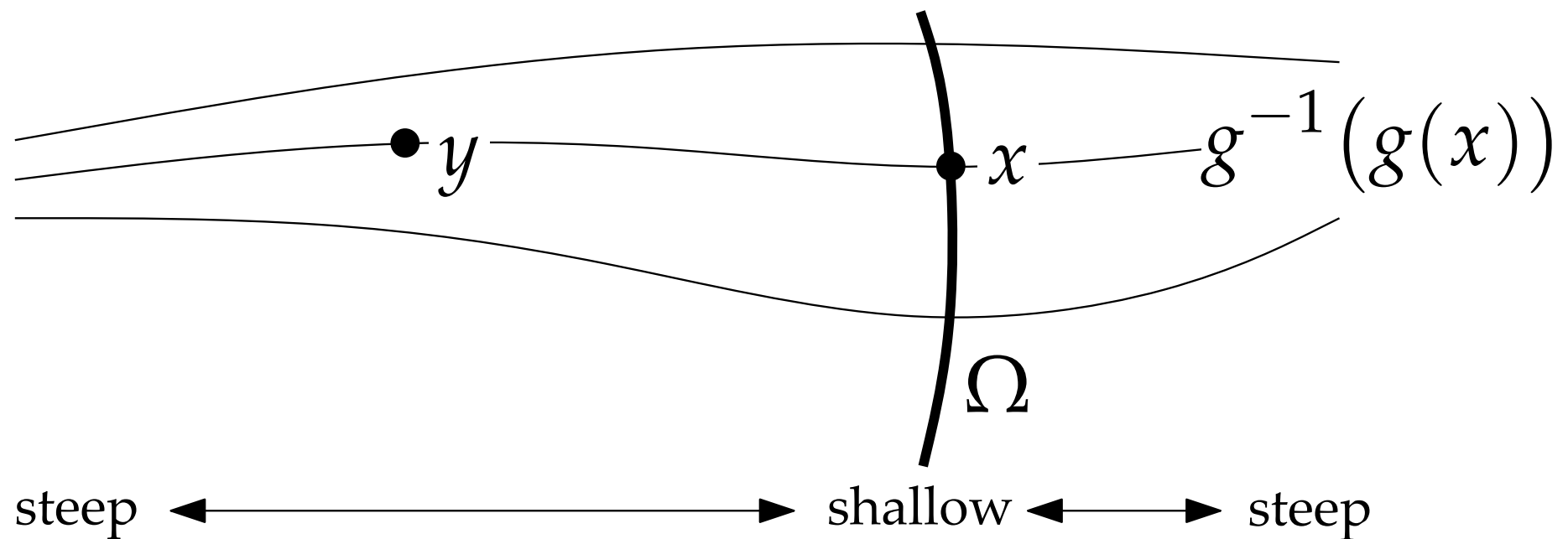
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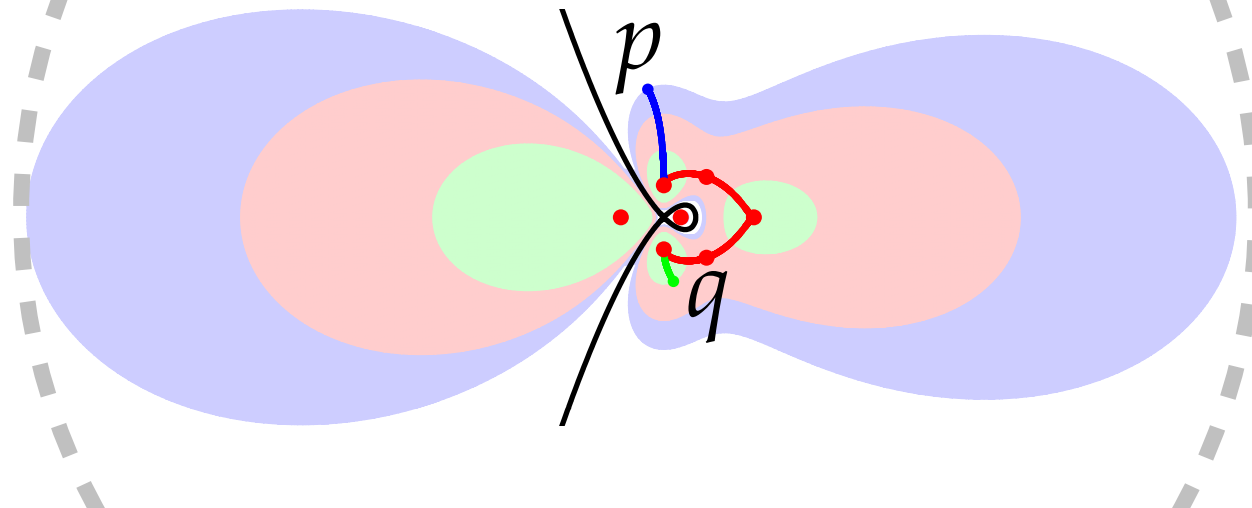
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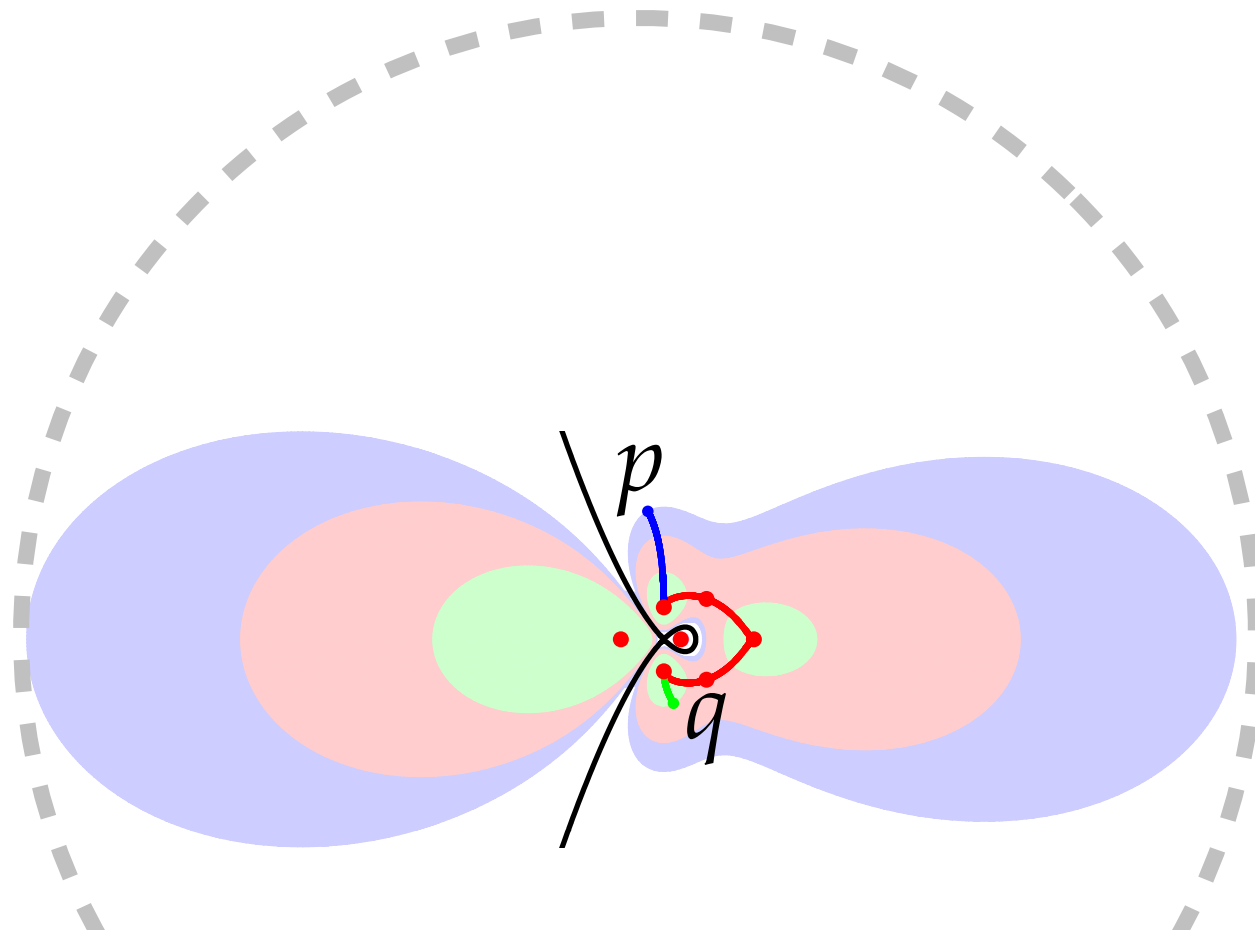
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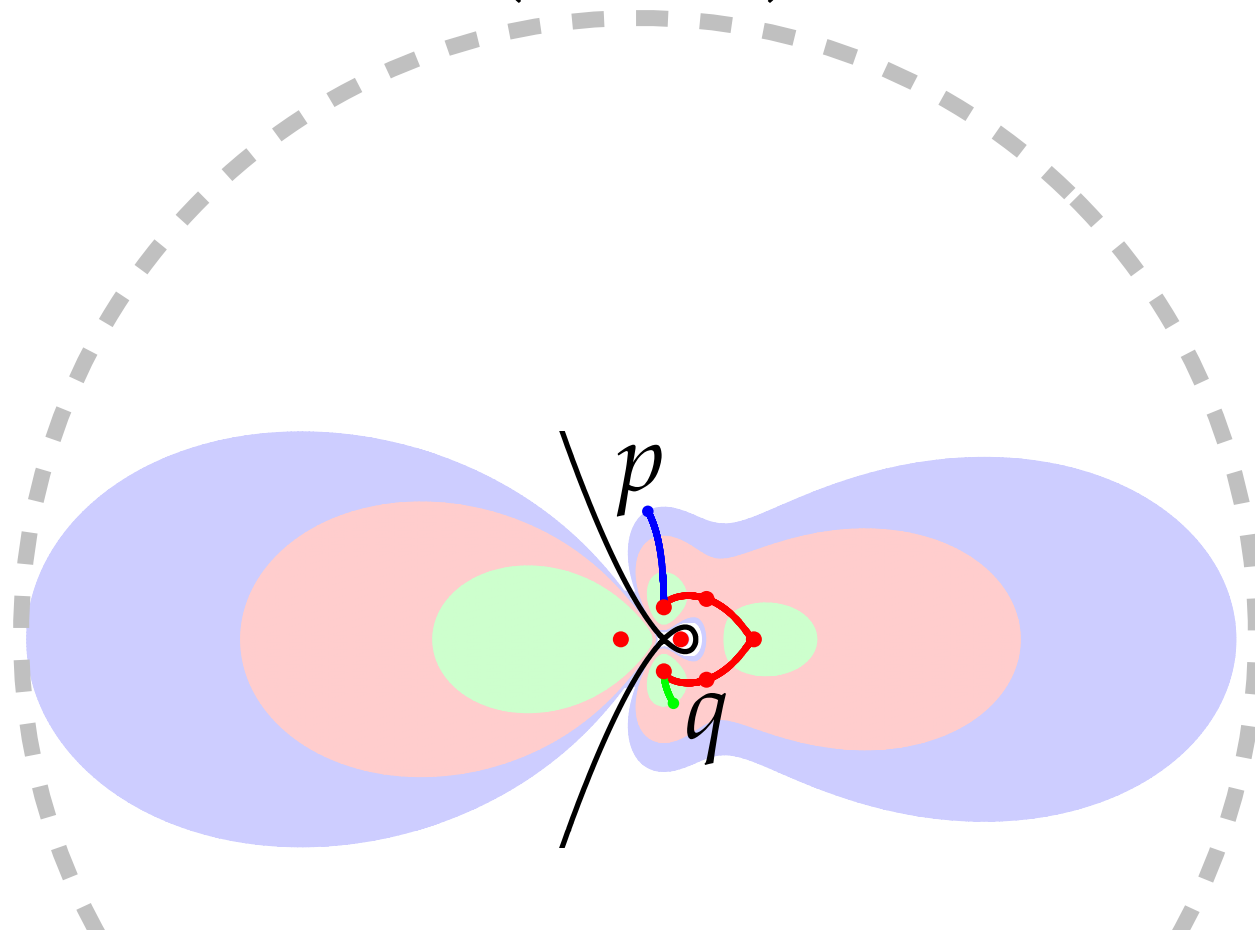
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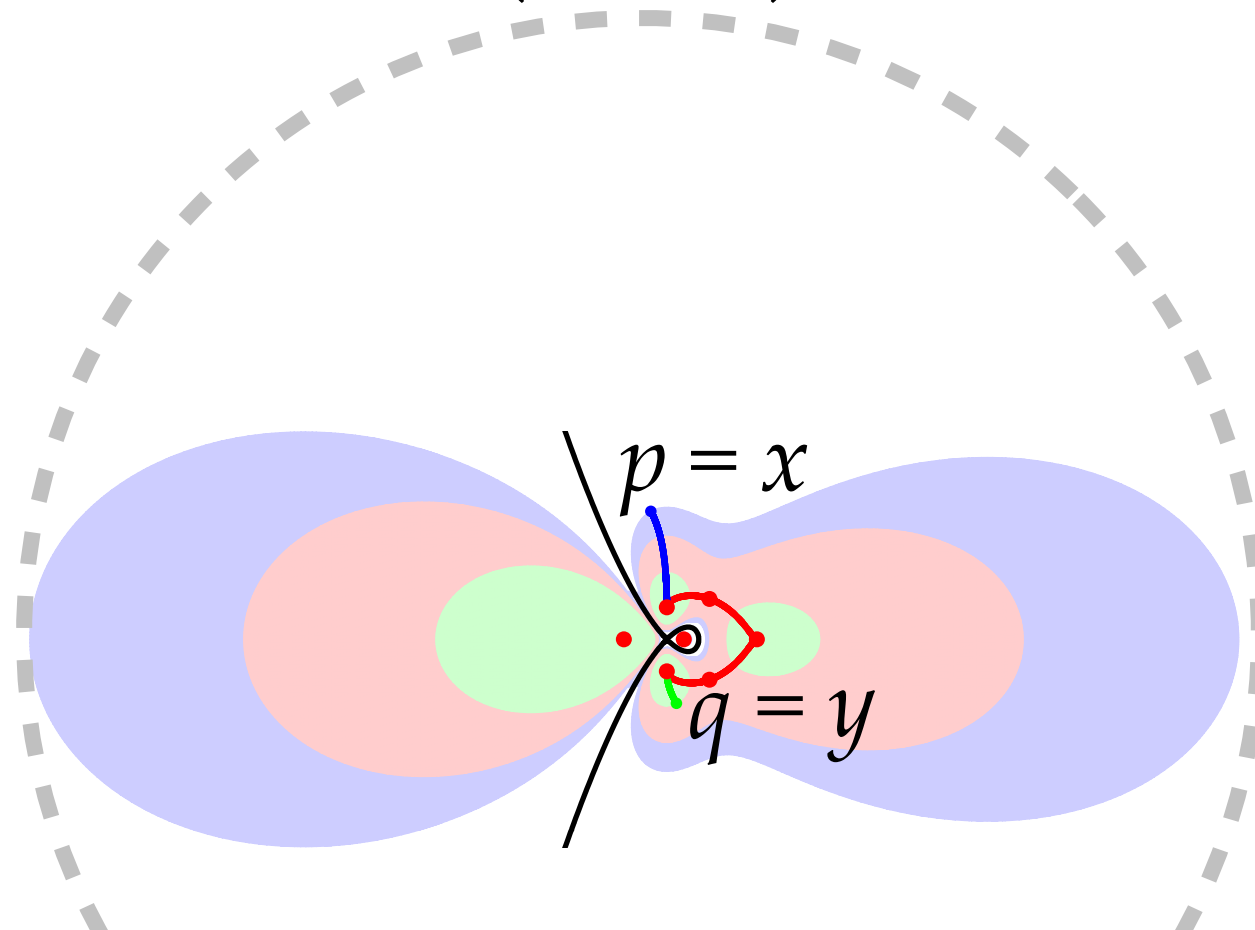
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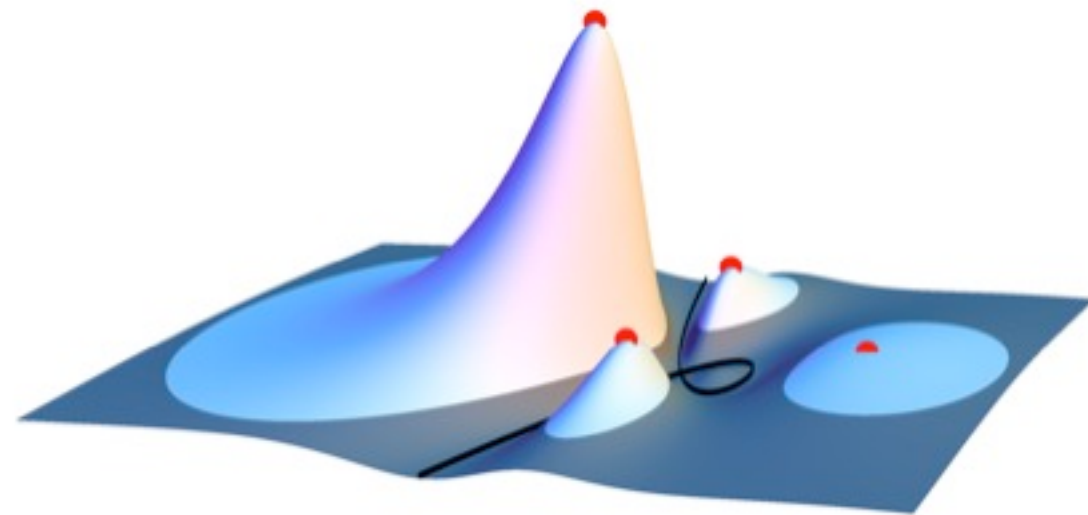
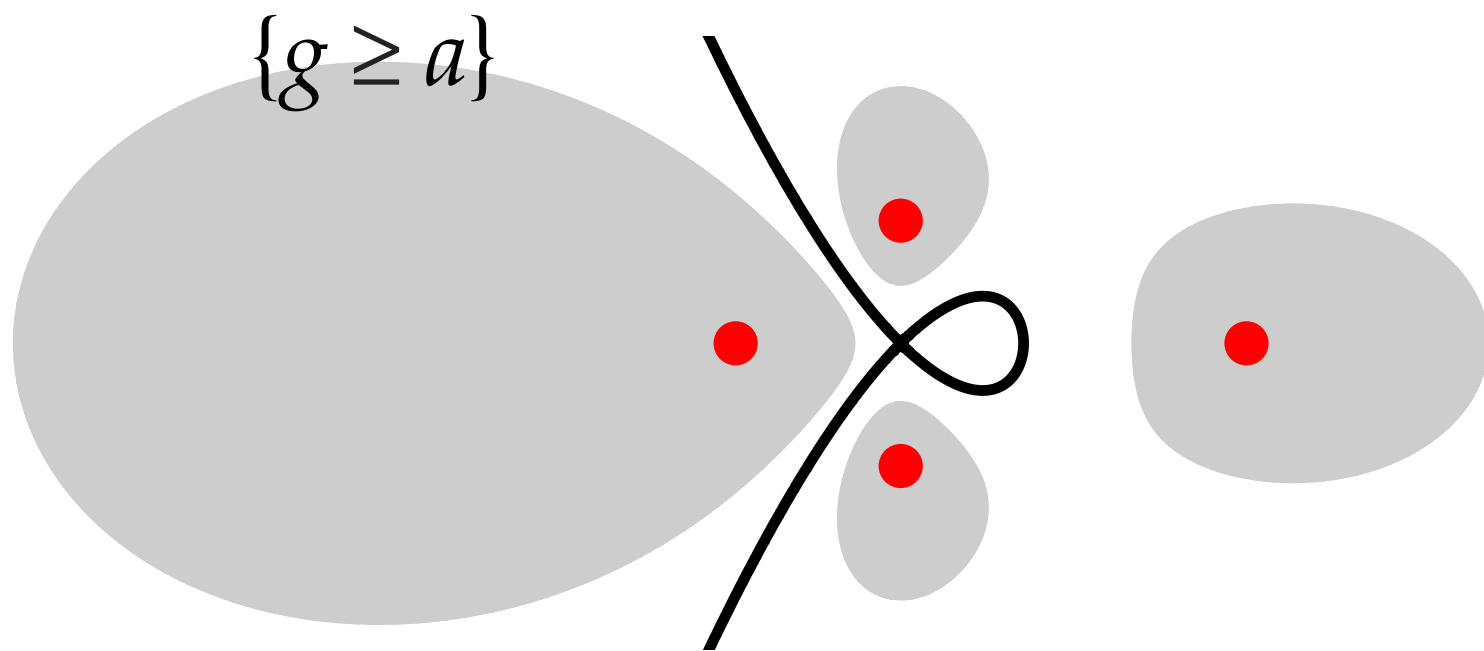
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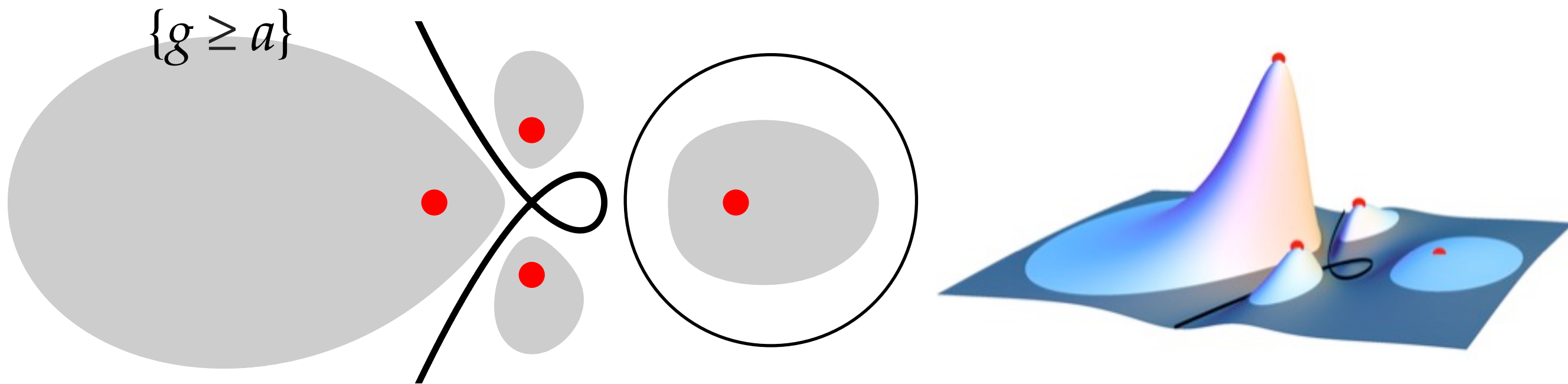


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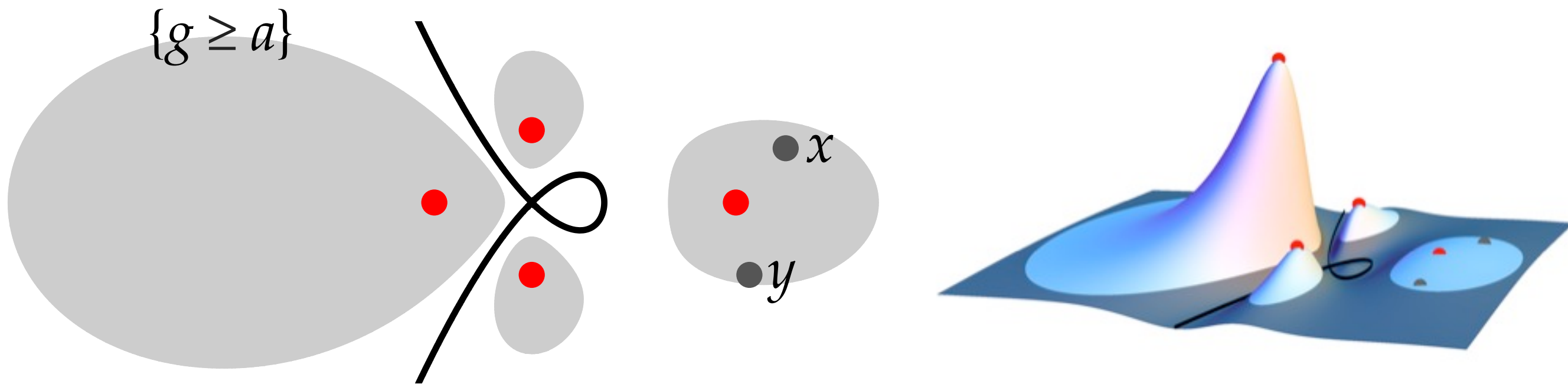


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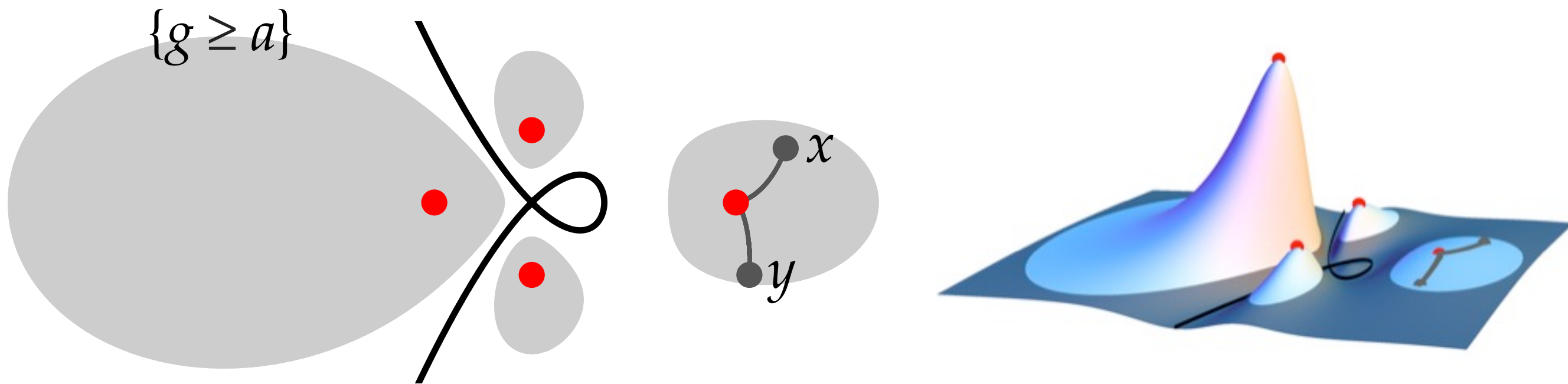


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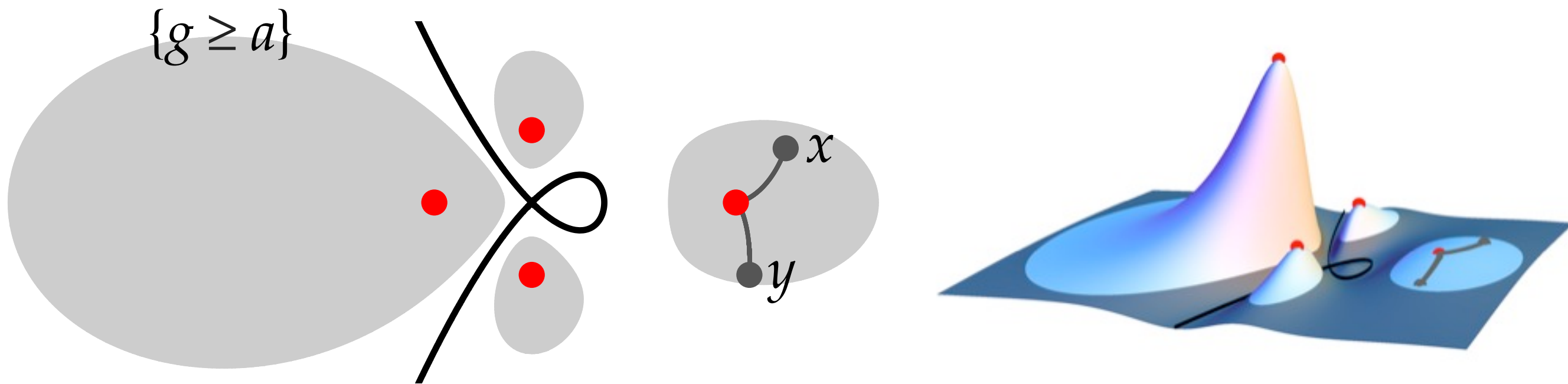


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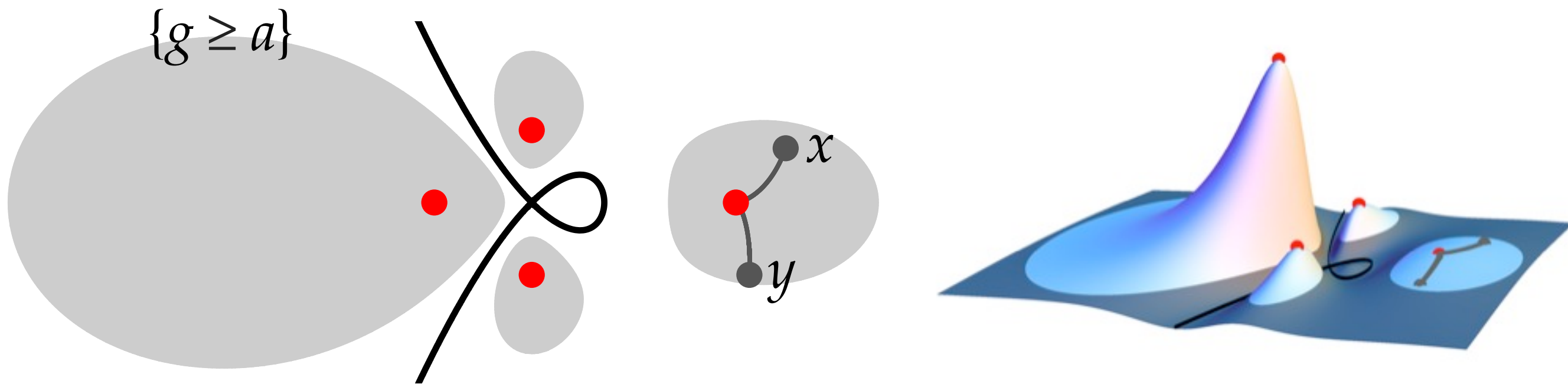
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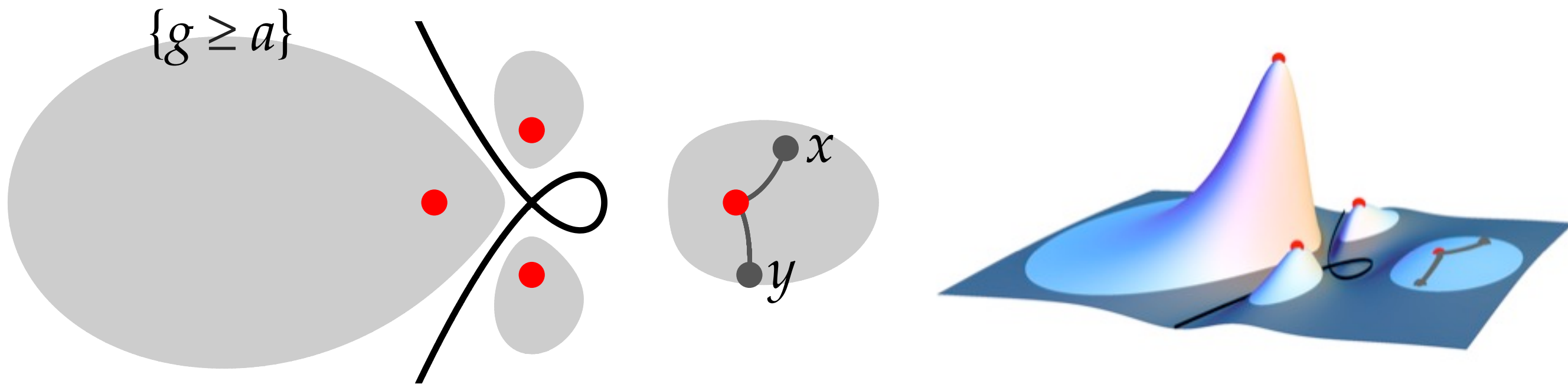
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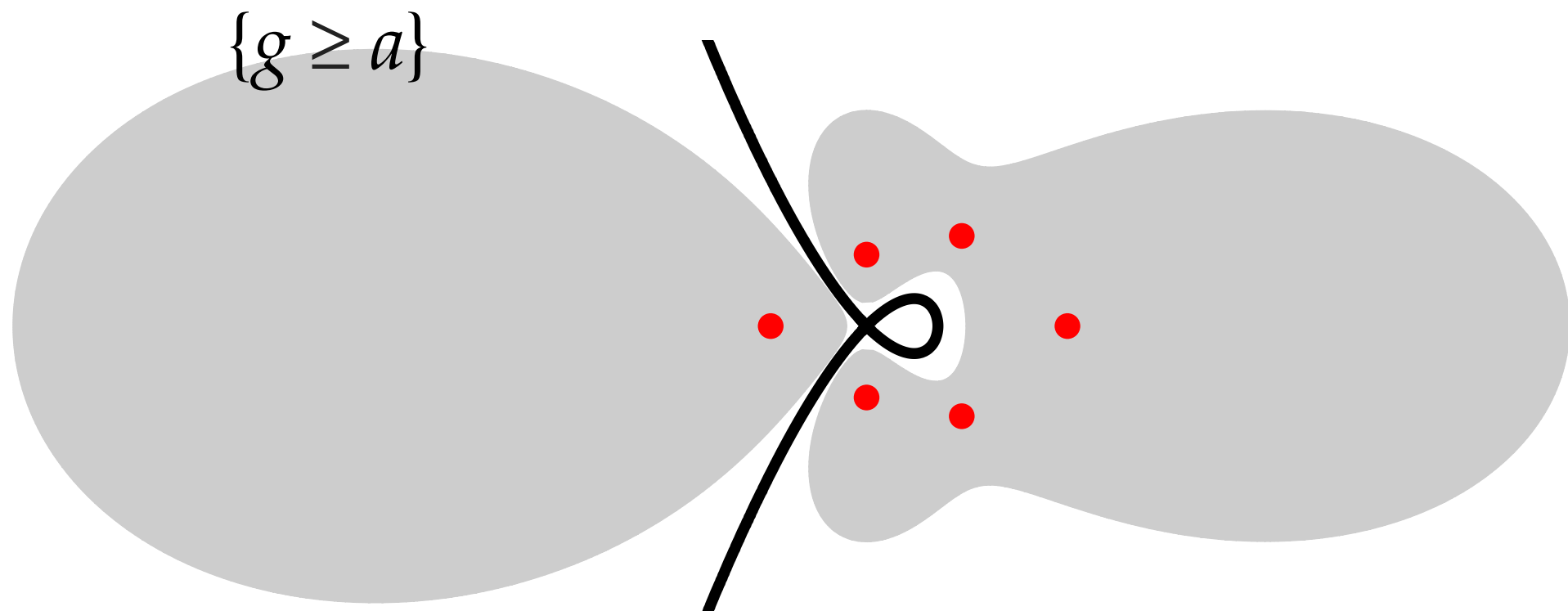
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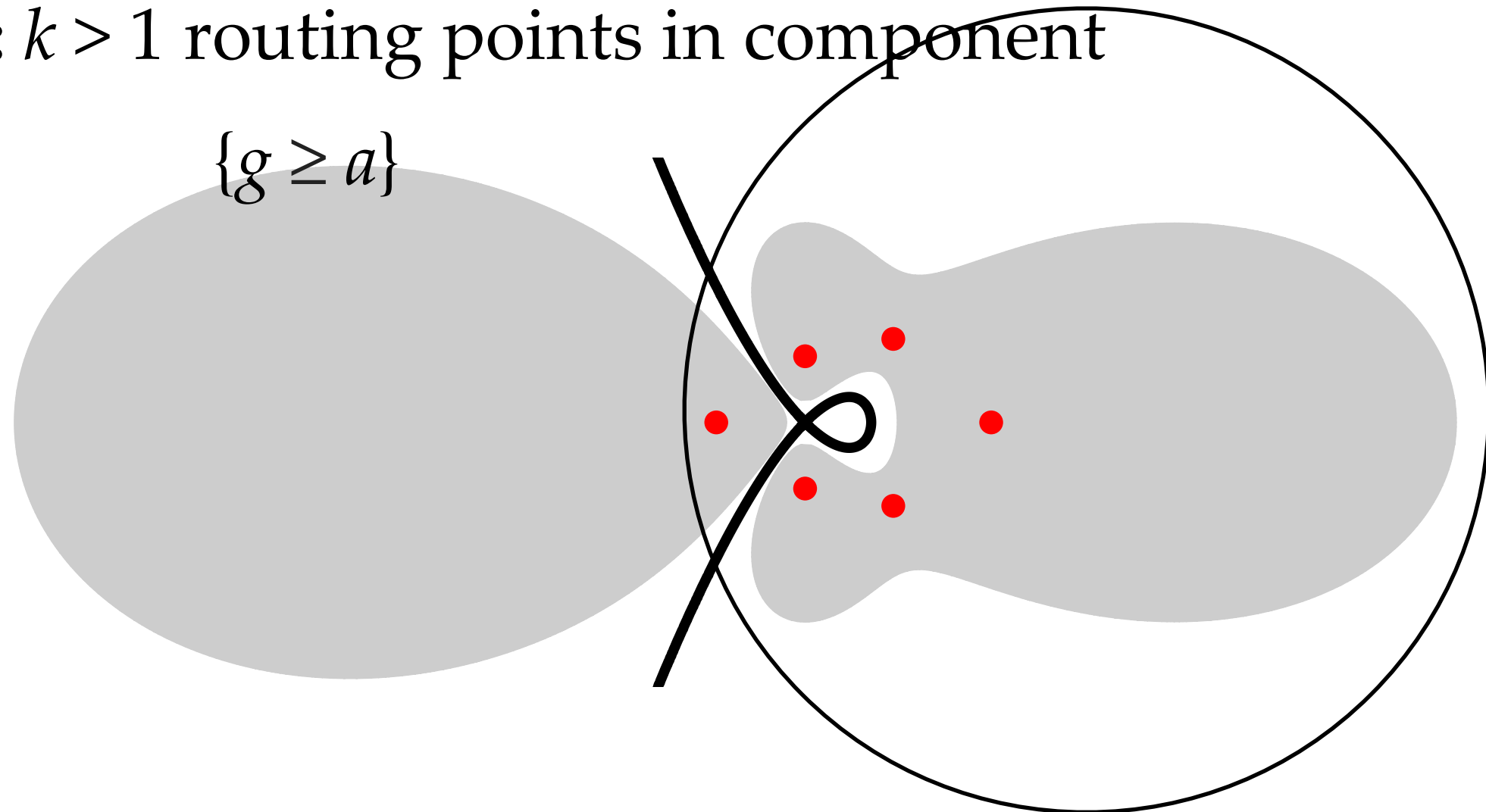


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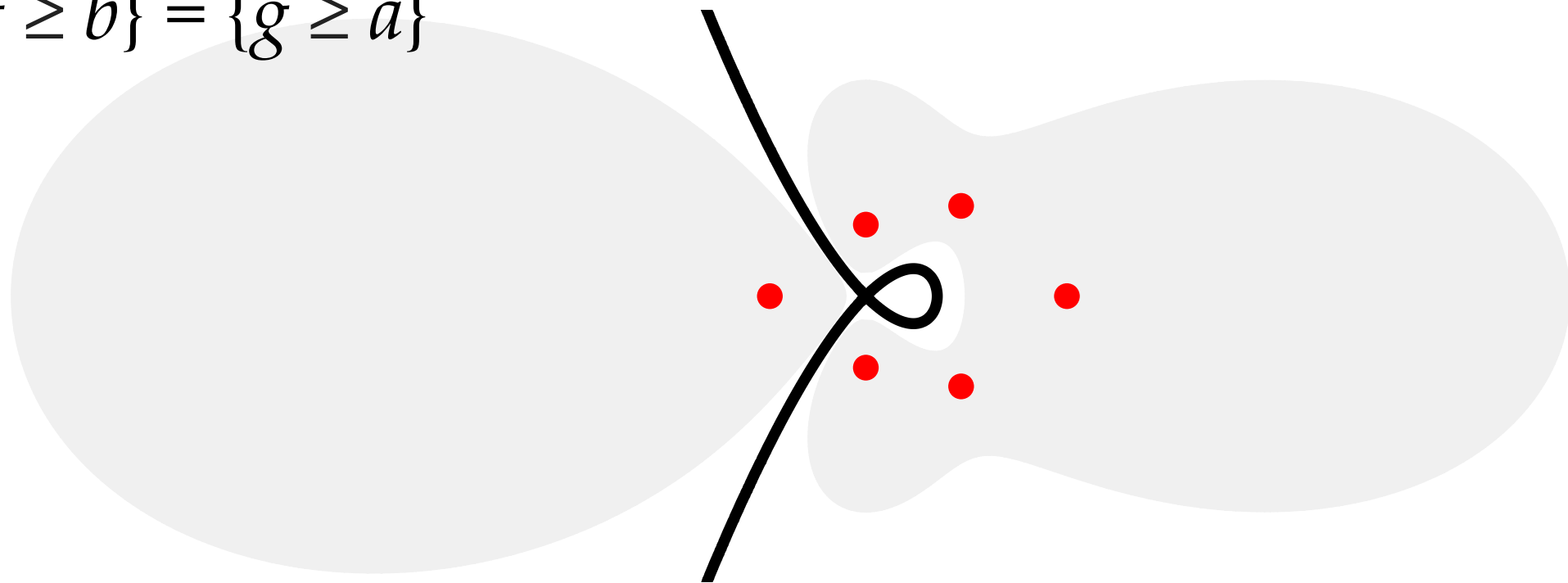
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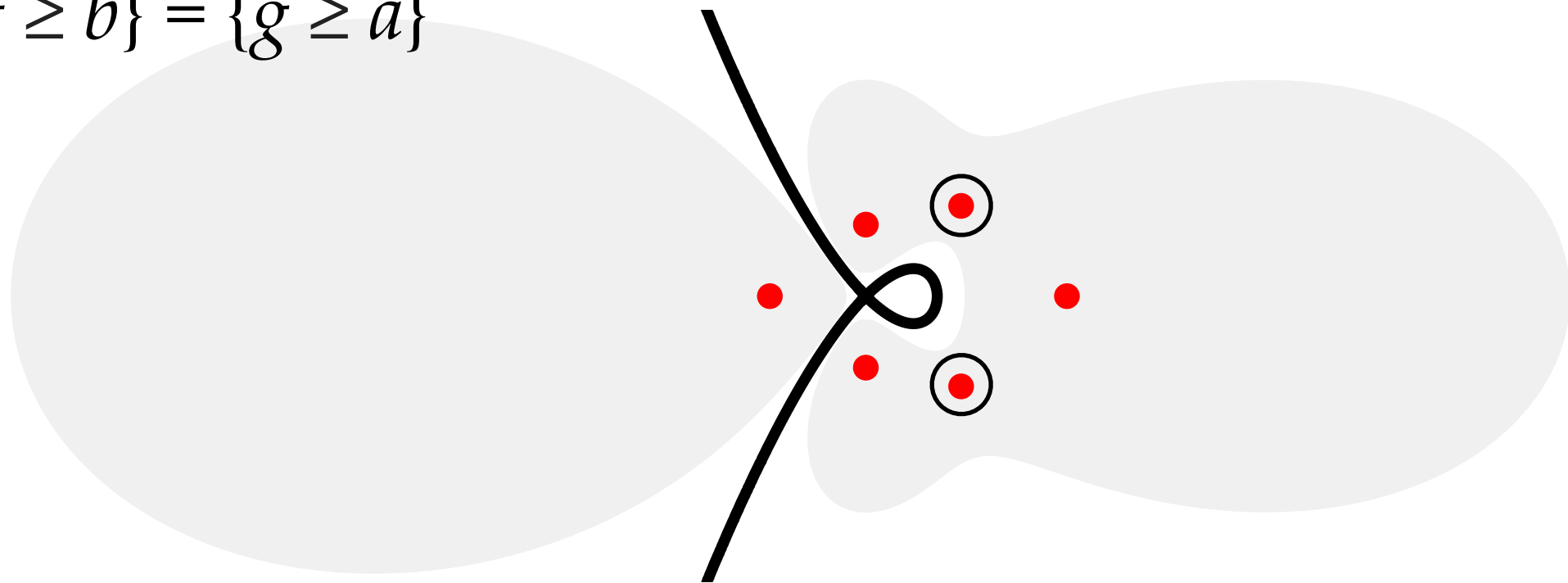
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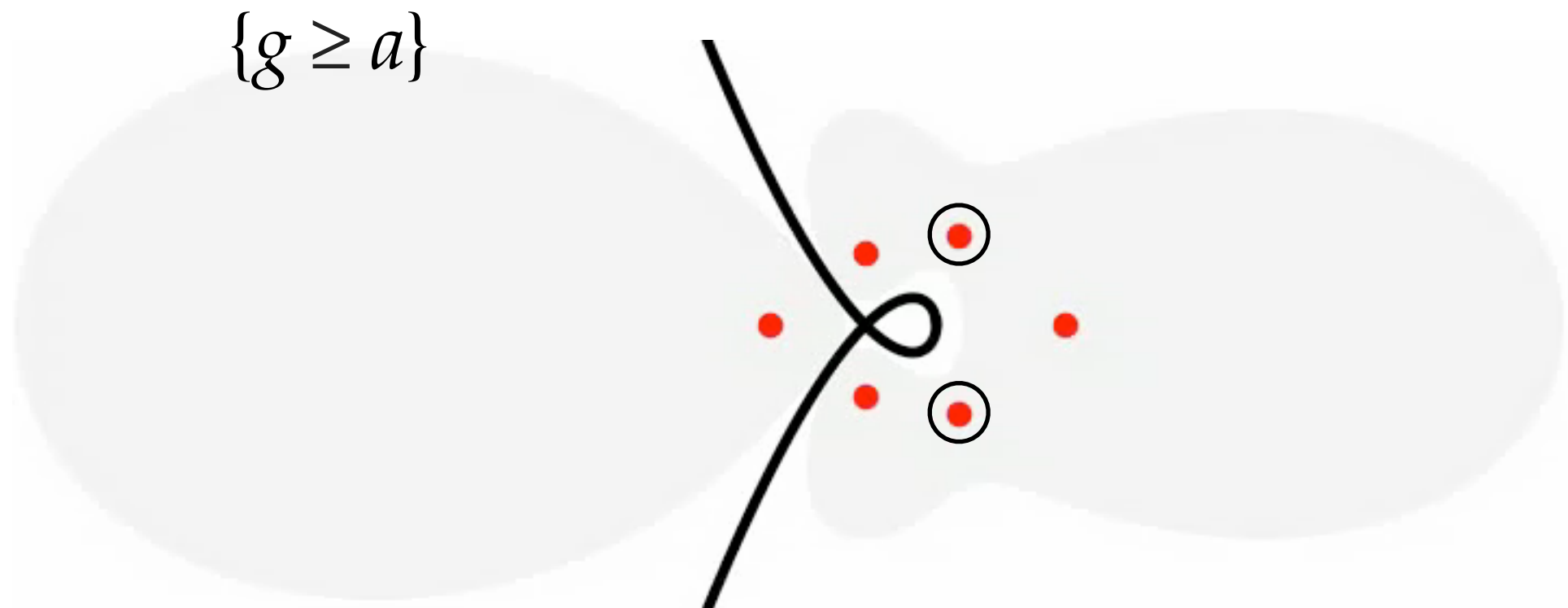


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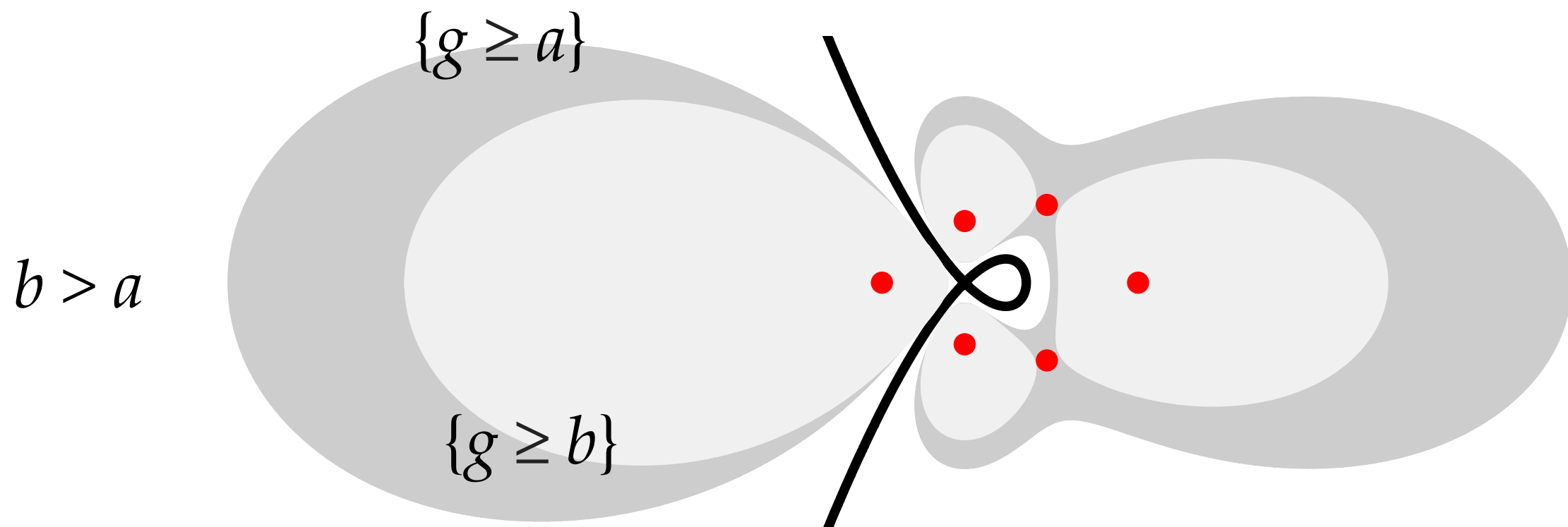


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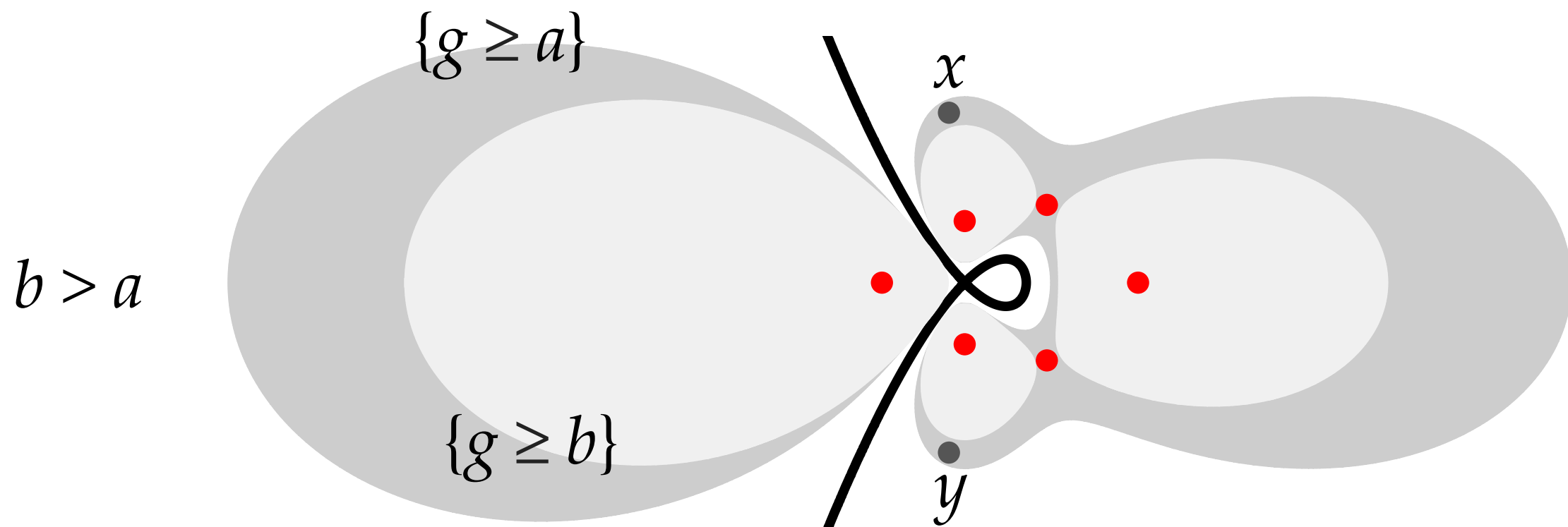


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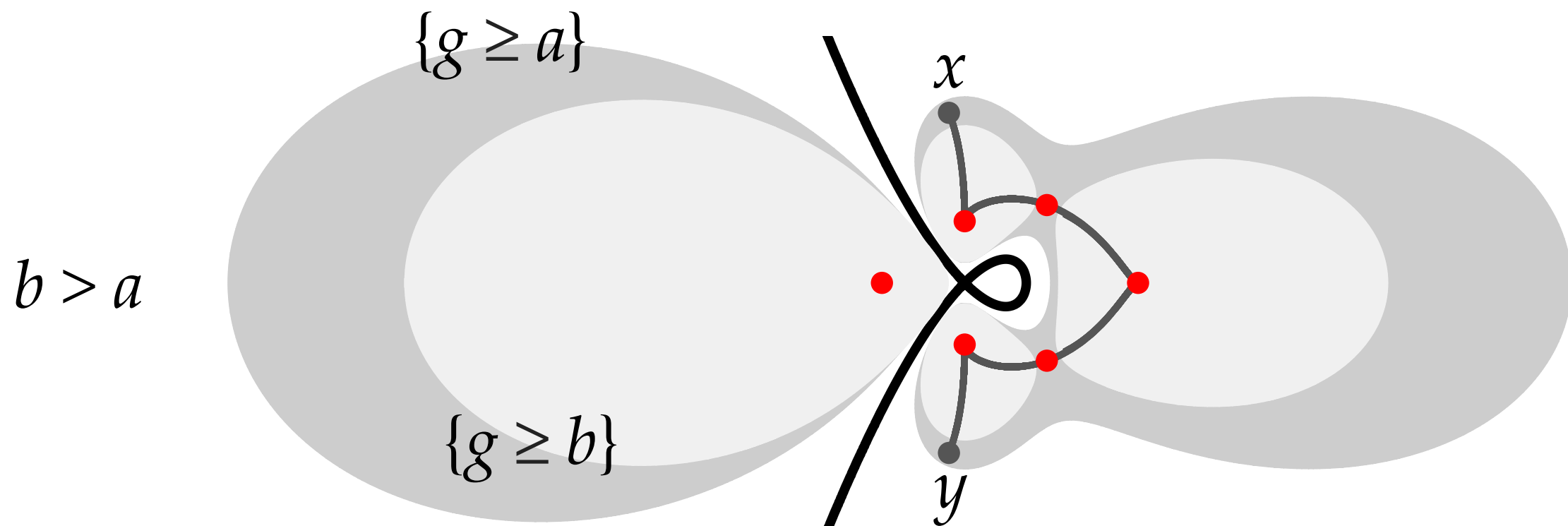


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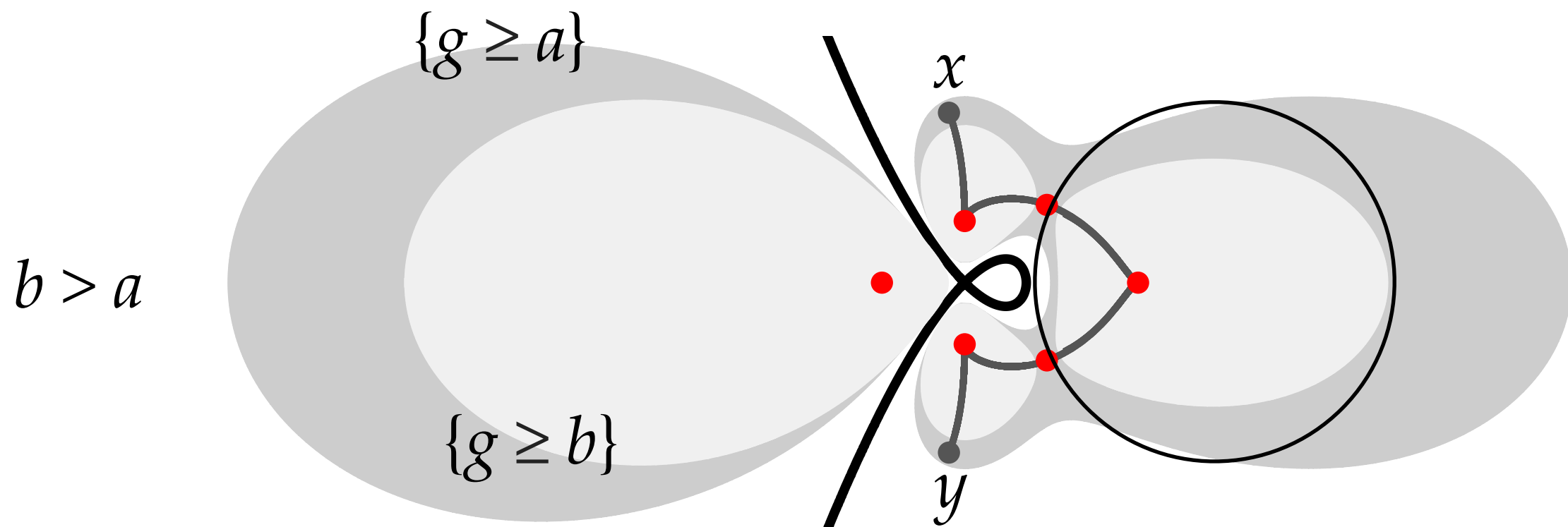


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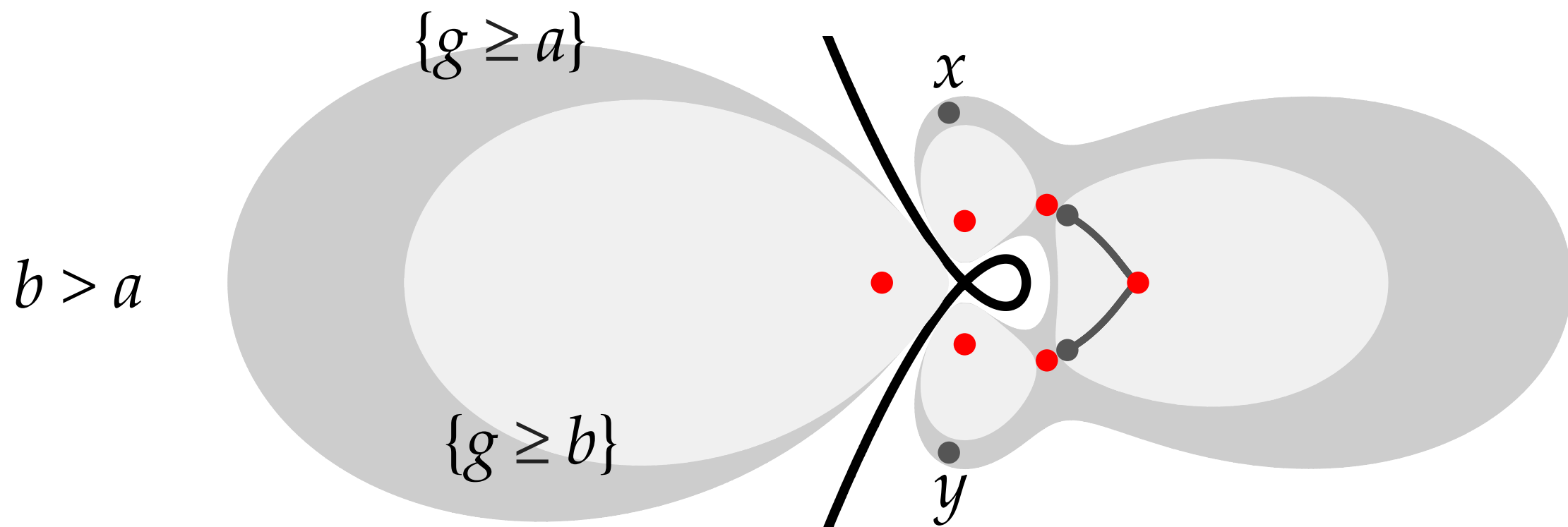


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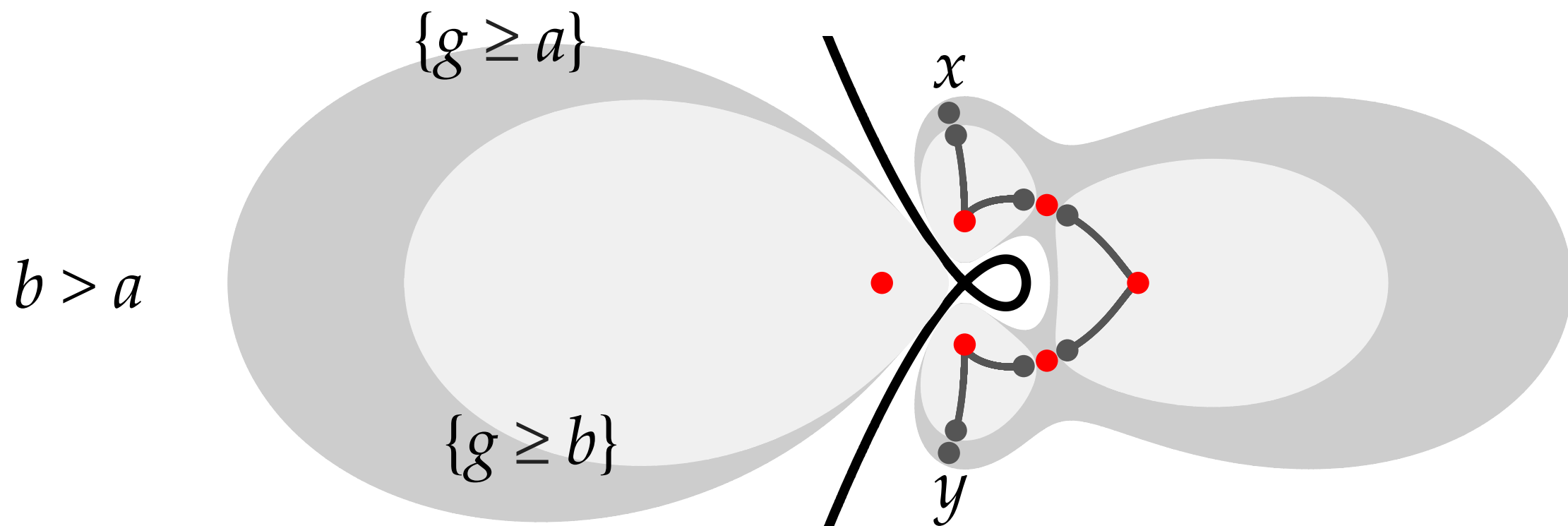


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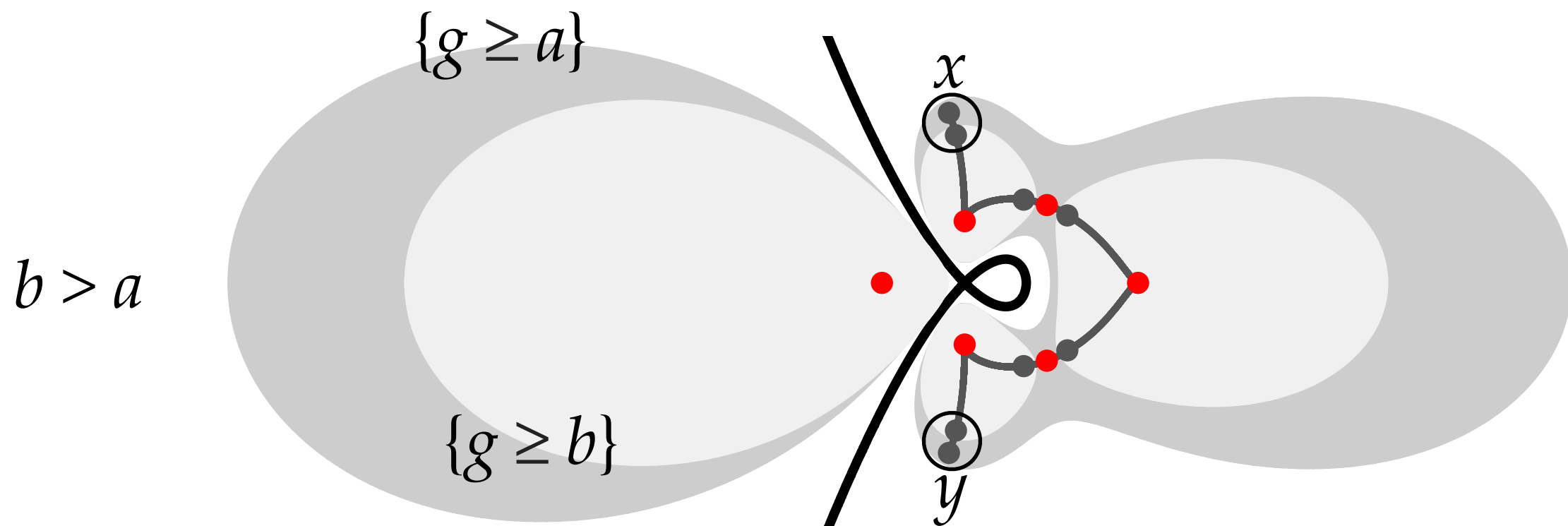


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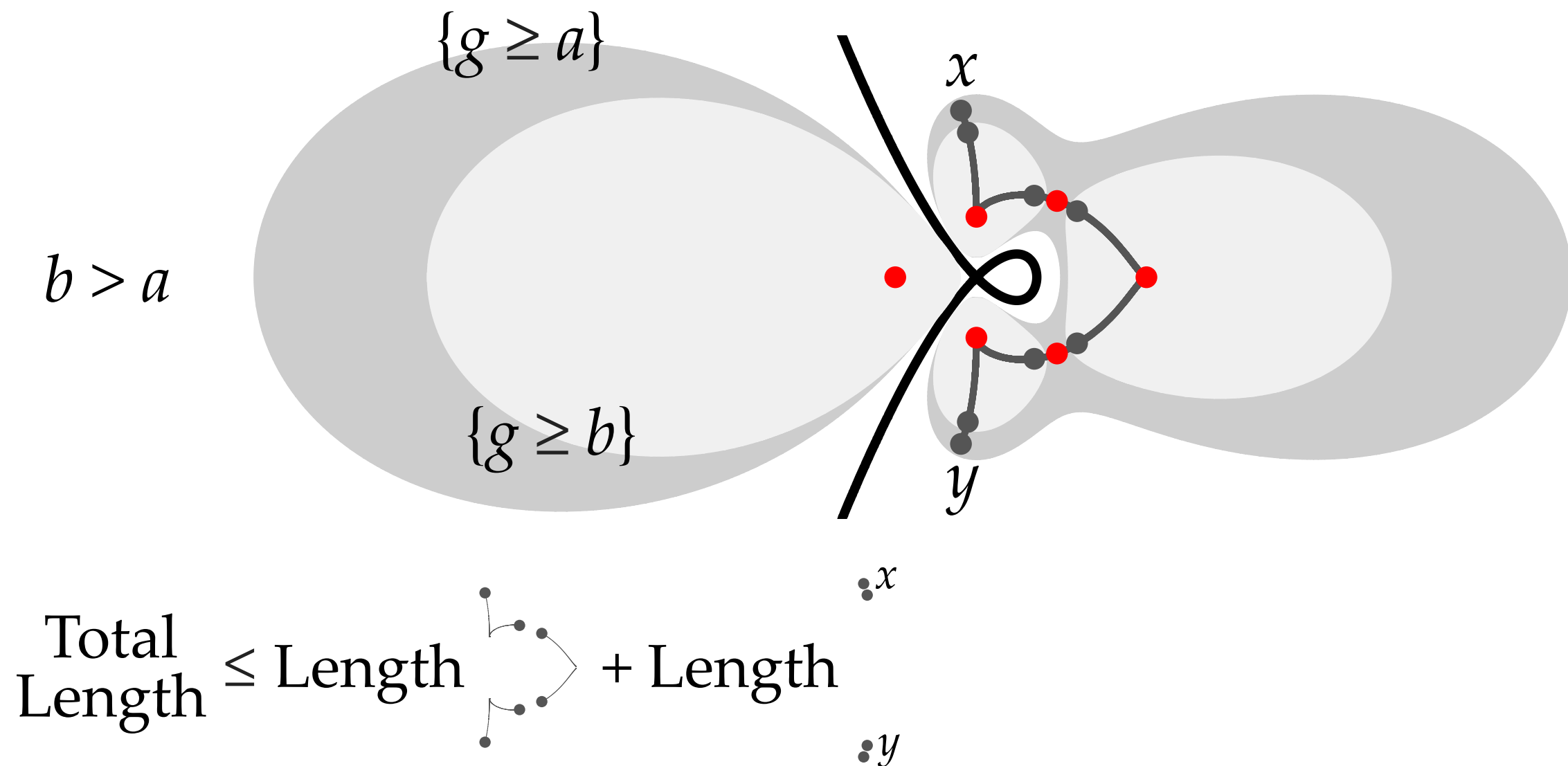


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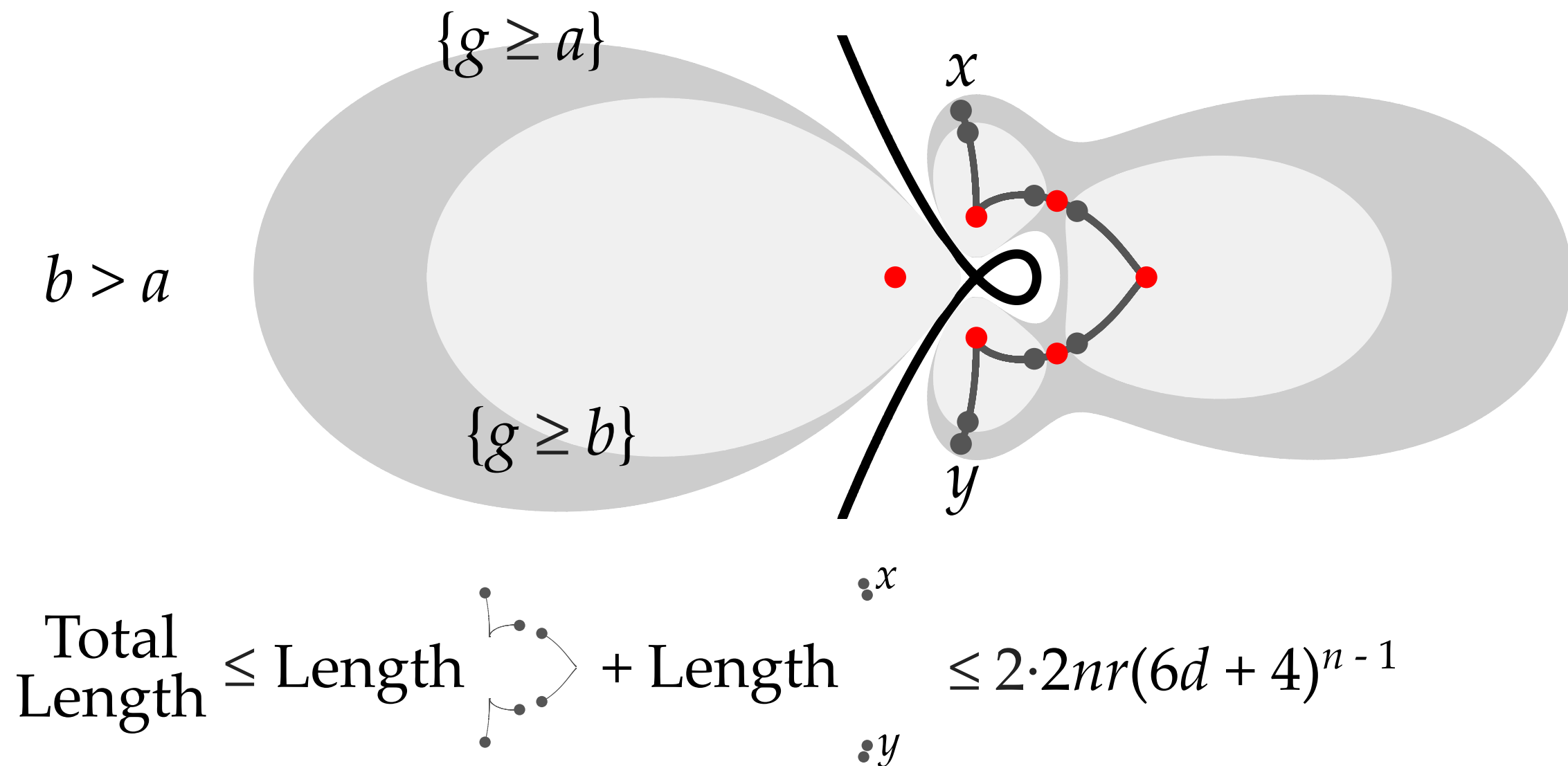


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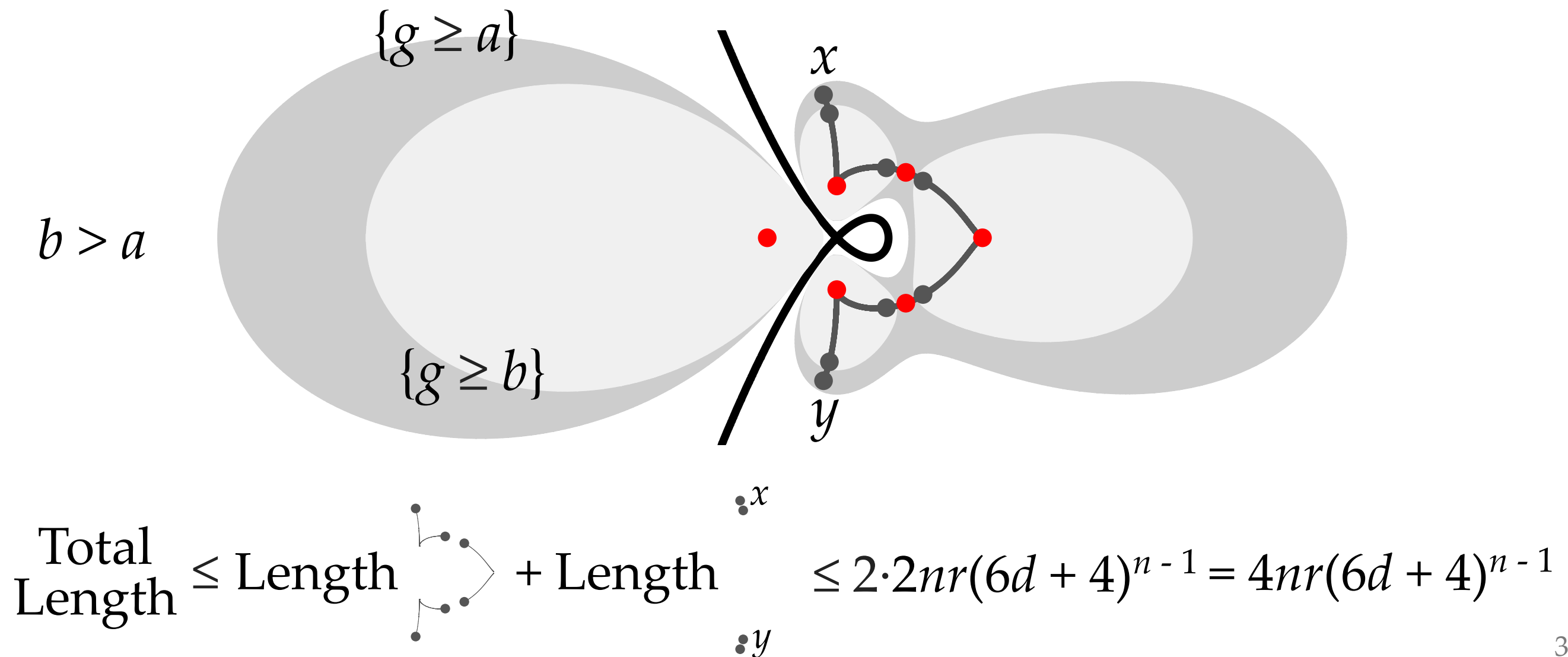


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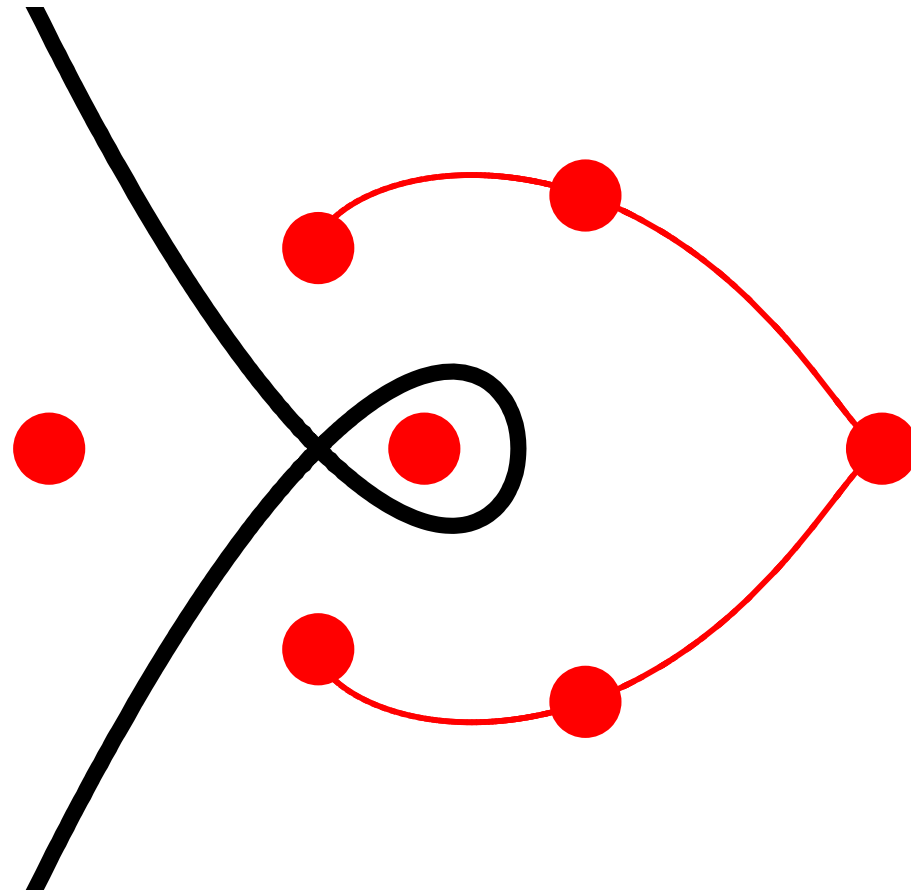
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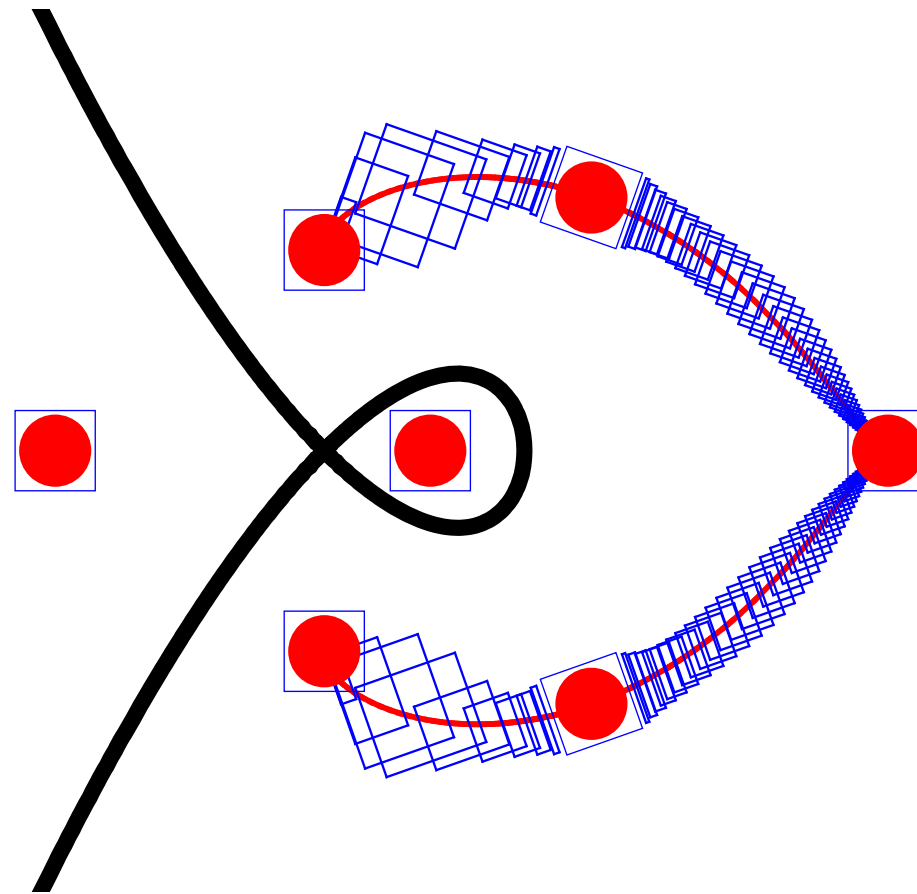
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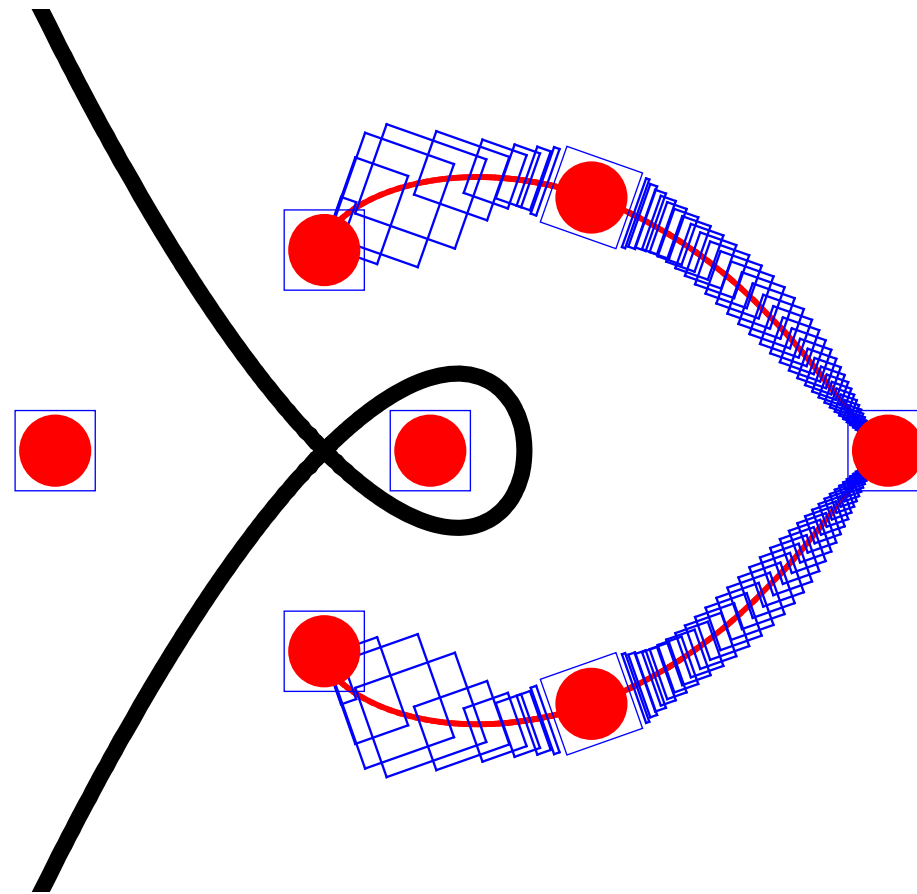
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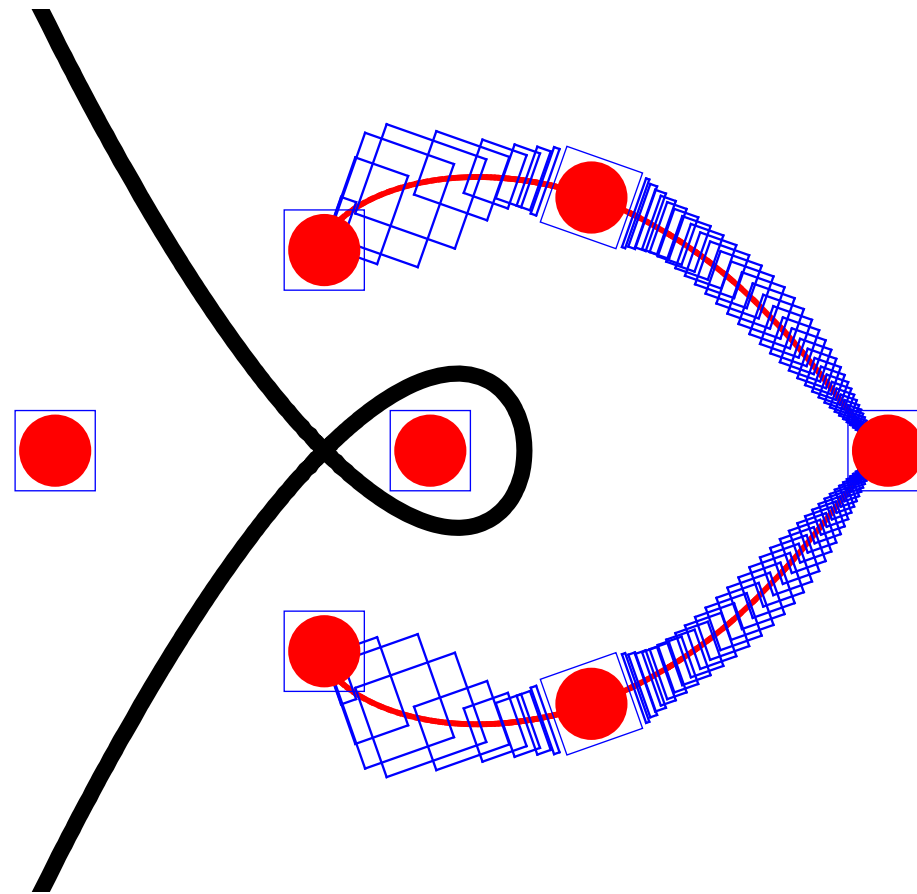
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