

A bijection for rooted maps on general surfaces

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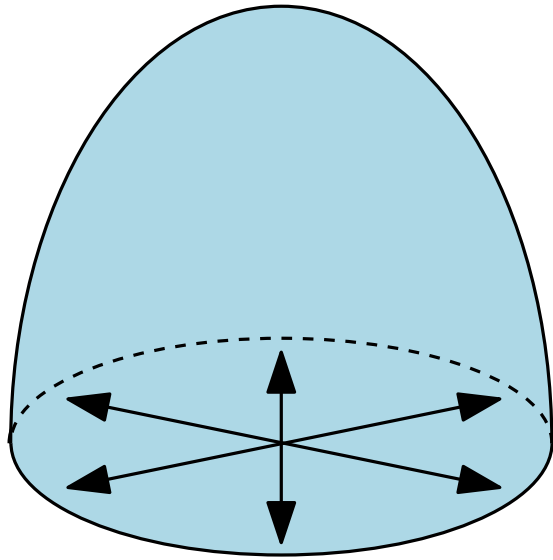
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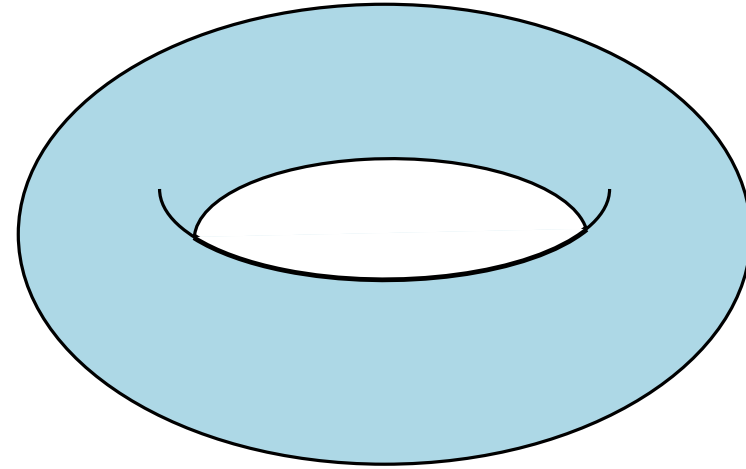
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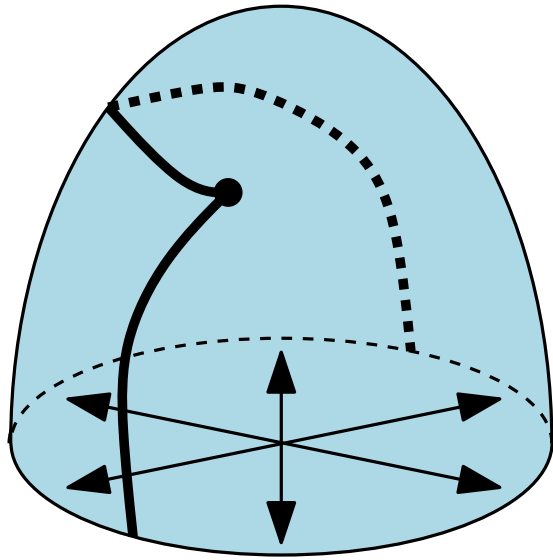
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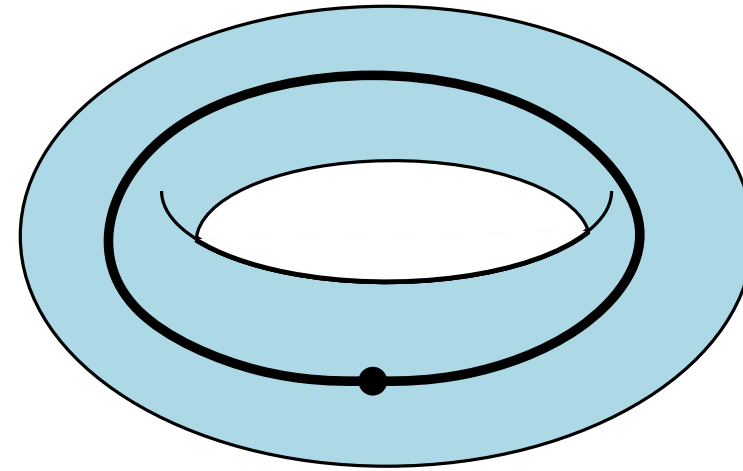
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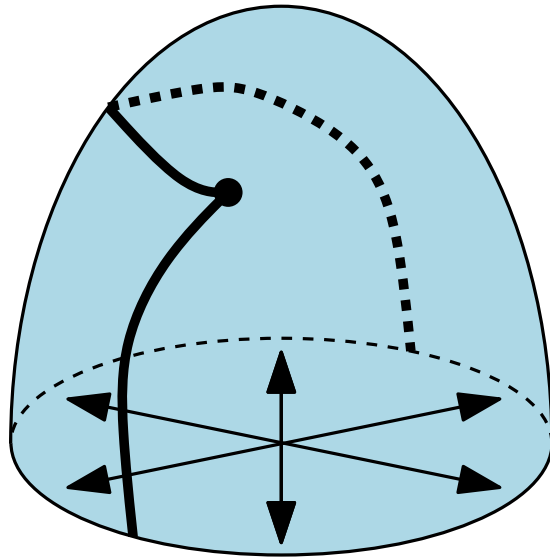
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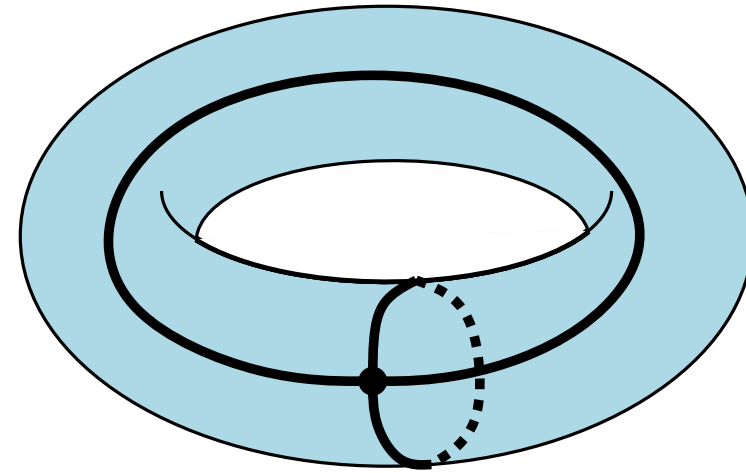
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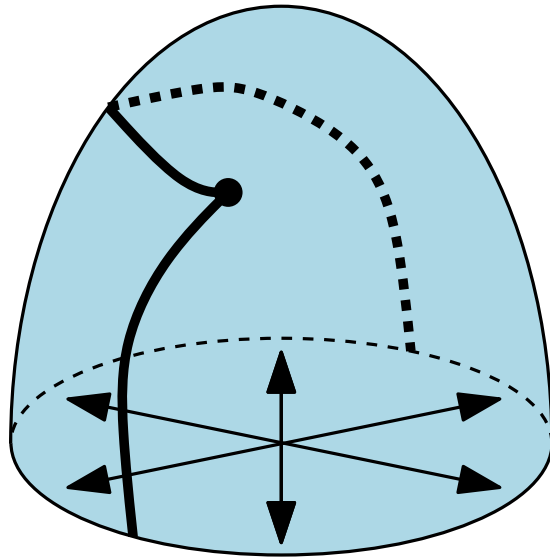
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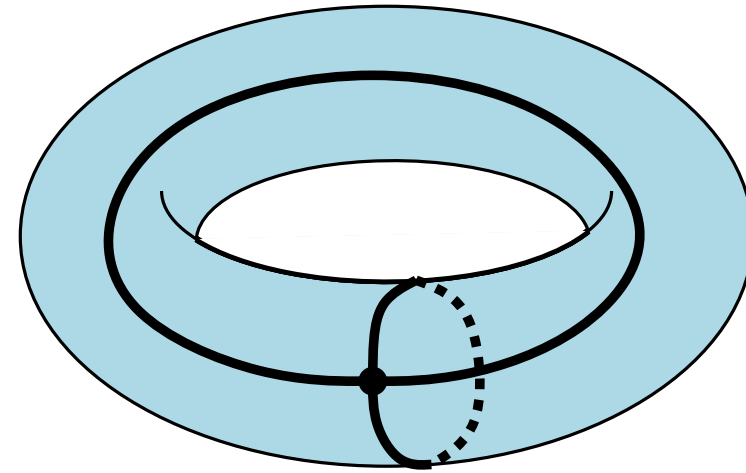
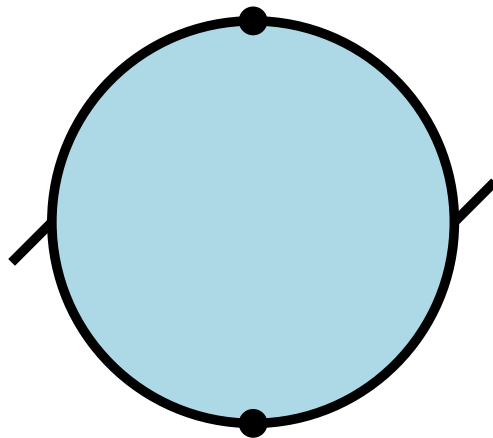
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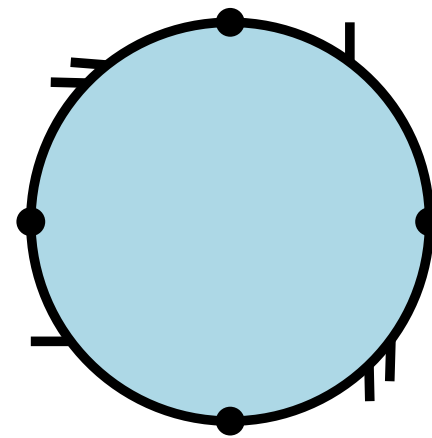
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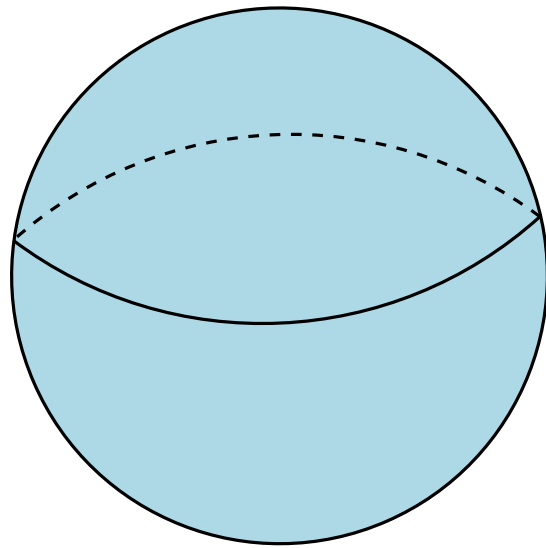
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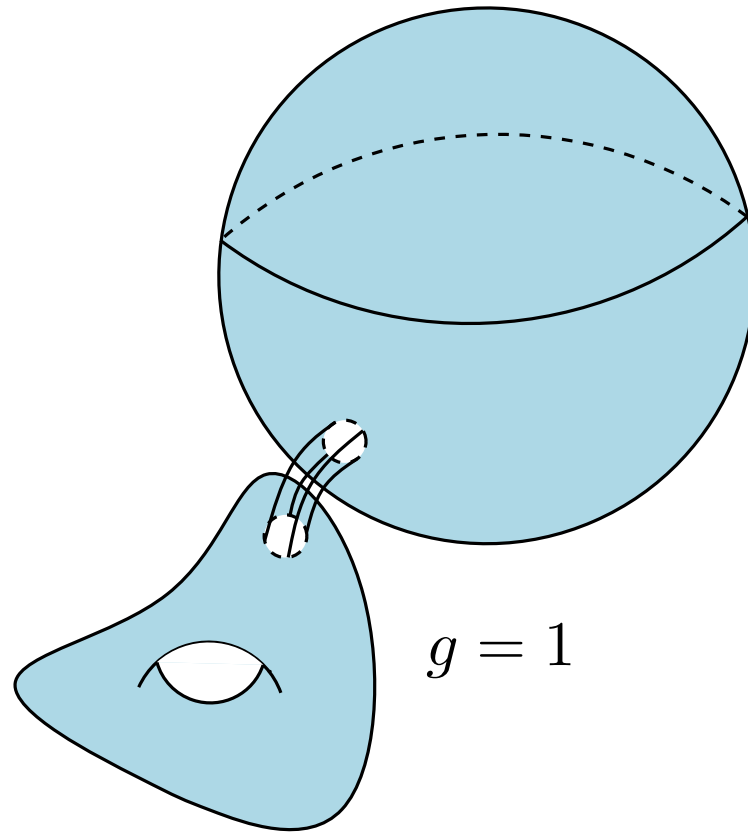
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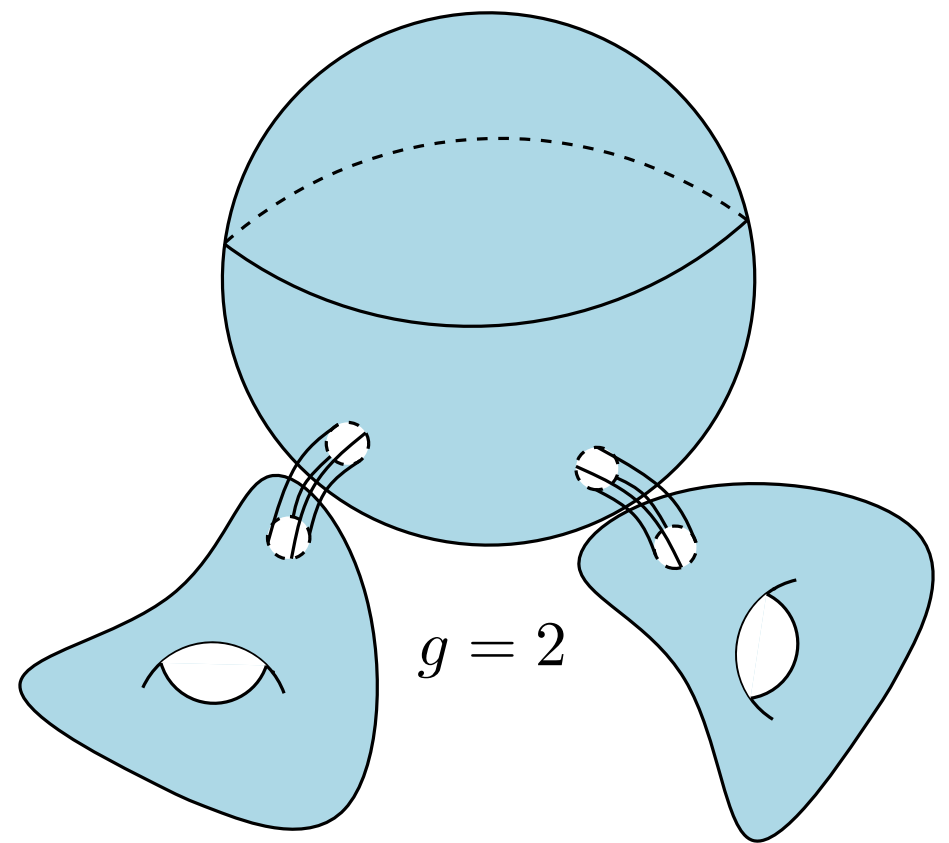
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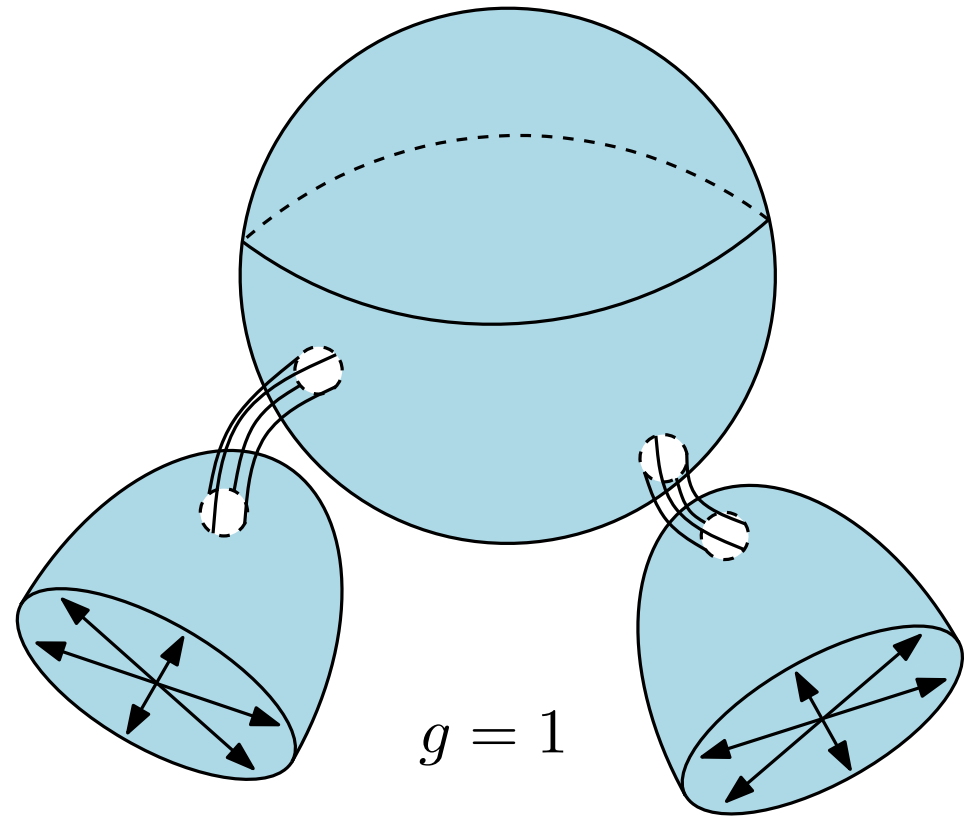
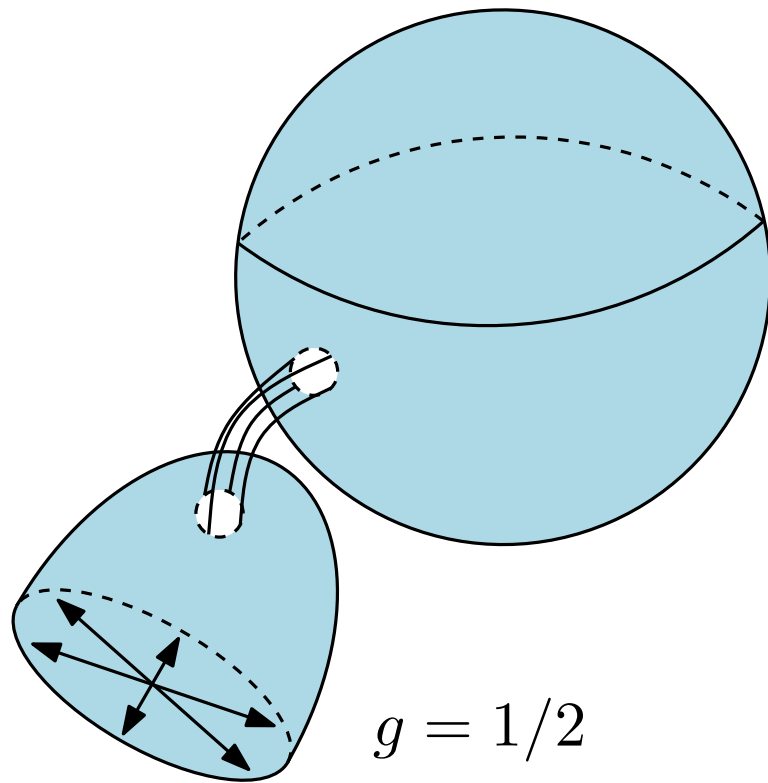


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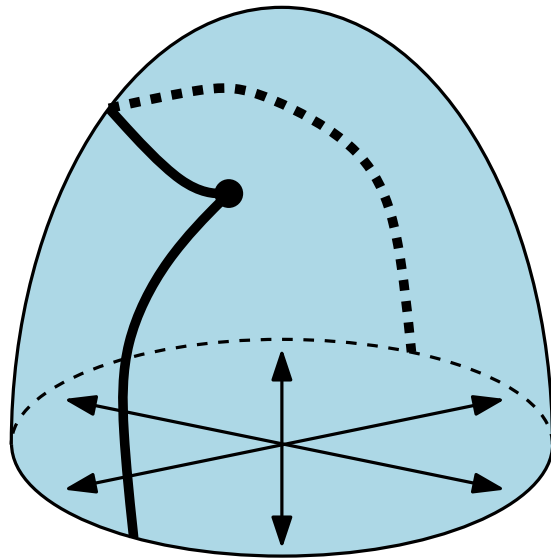


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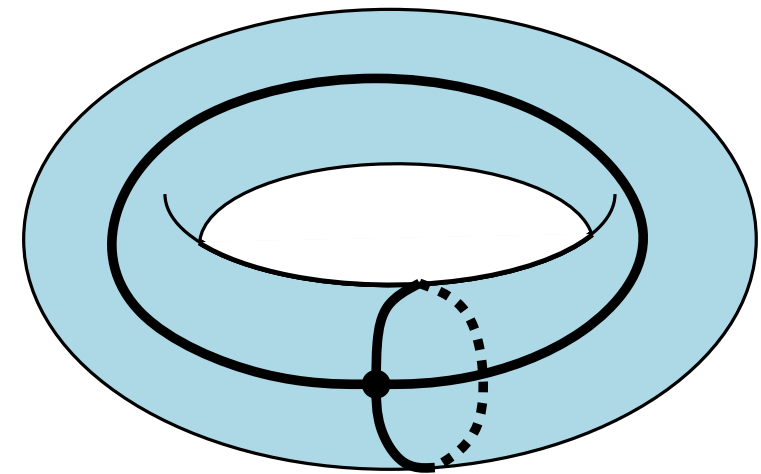
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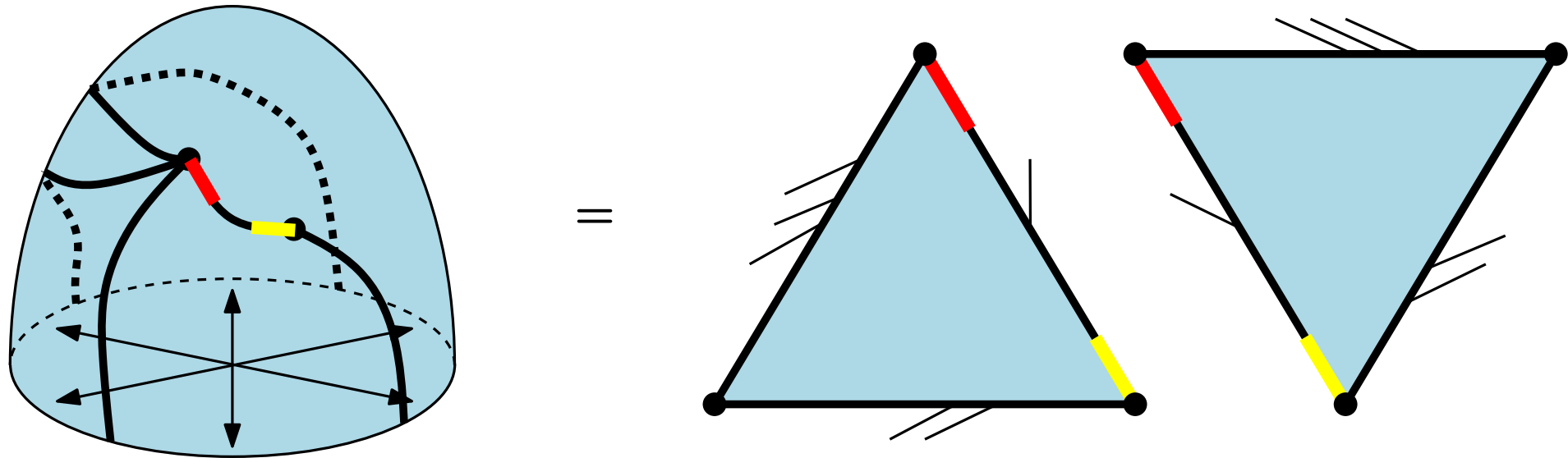
Non-orientable map of type 1/2



Orientable map of type 1

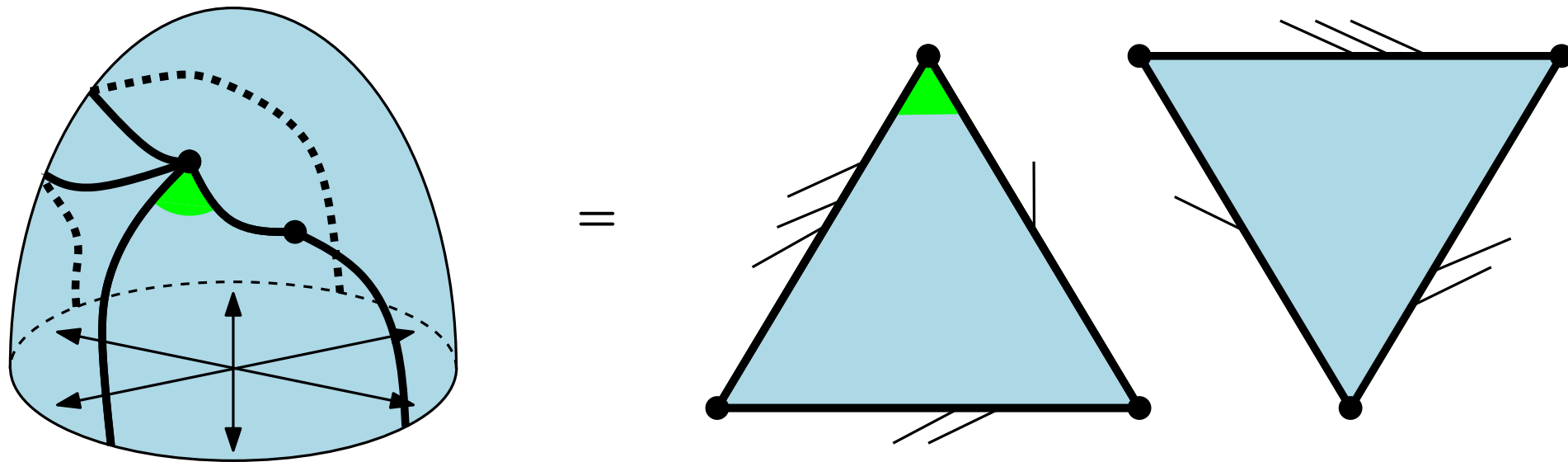
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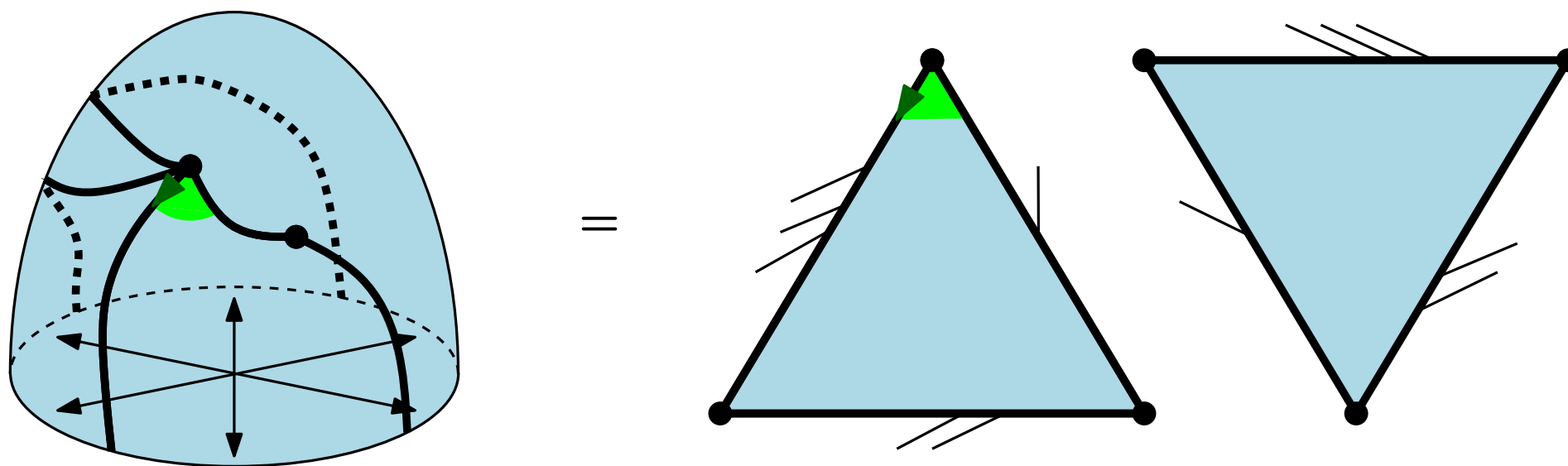
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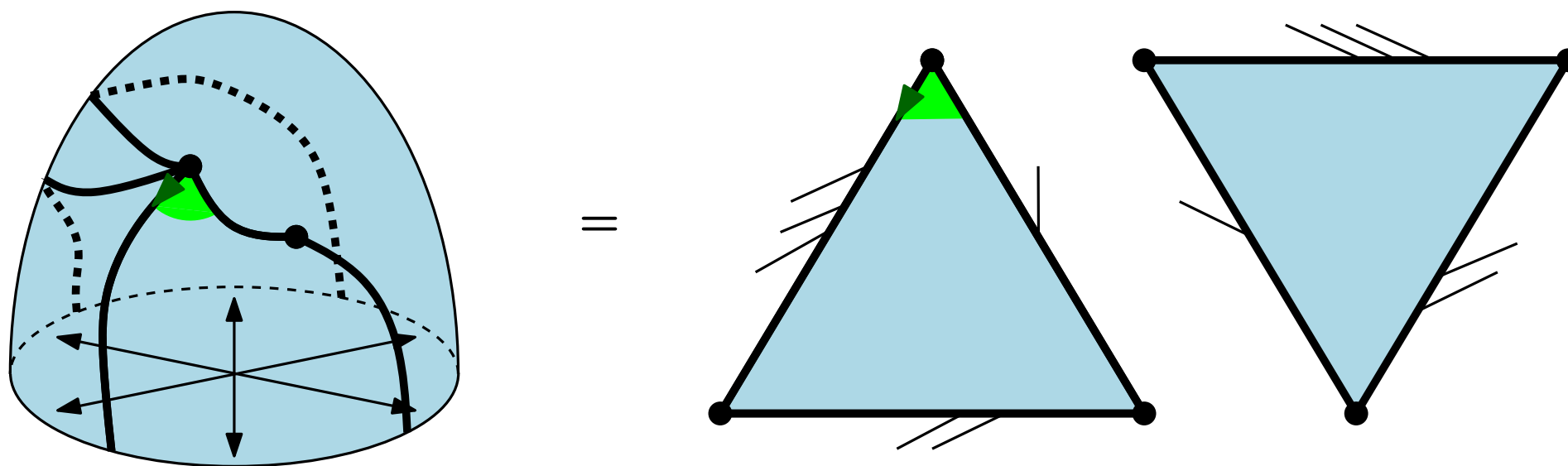
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Remark:

Tutte noticed that maps are much simpler to enumerate, when **rooted**, because of the lack of symmetry. From now on, all maps will be **rooted**!

II. Enumeration of maps

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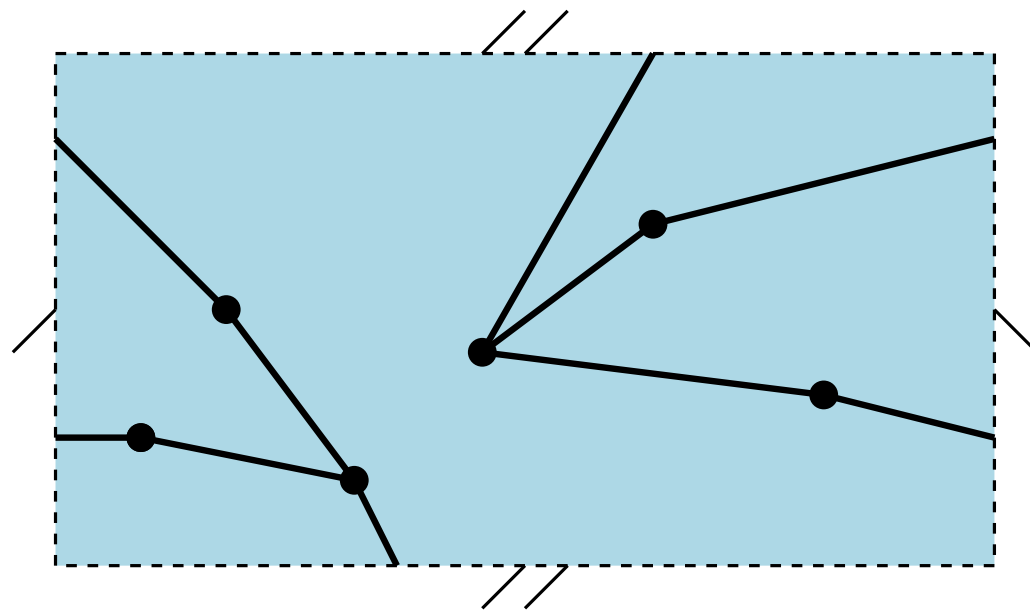
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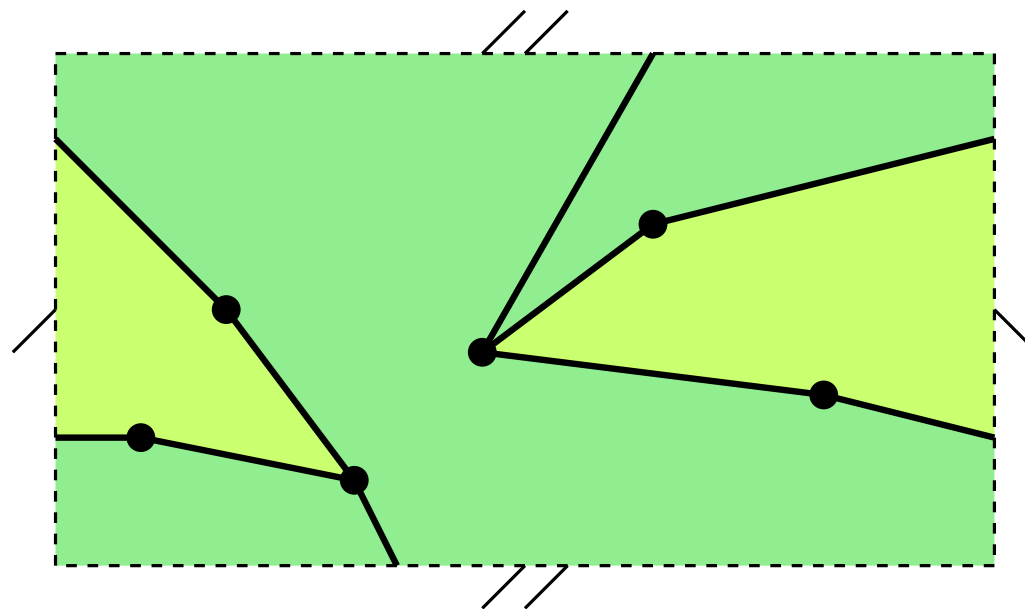
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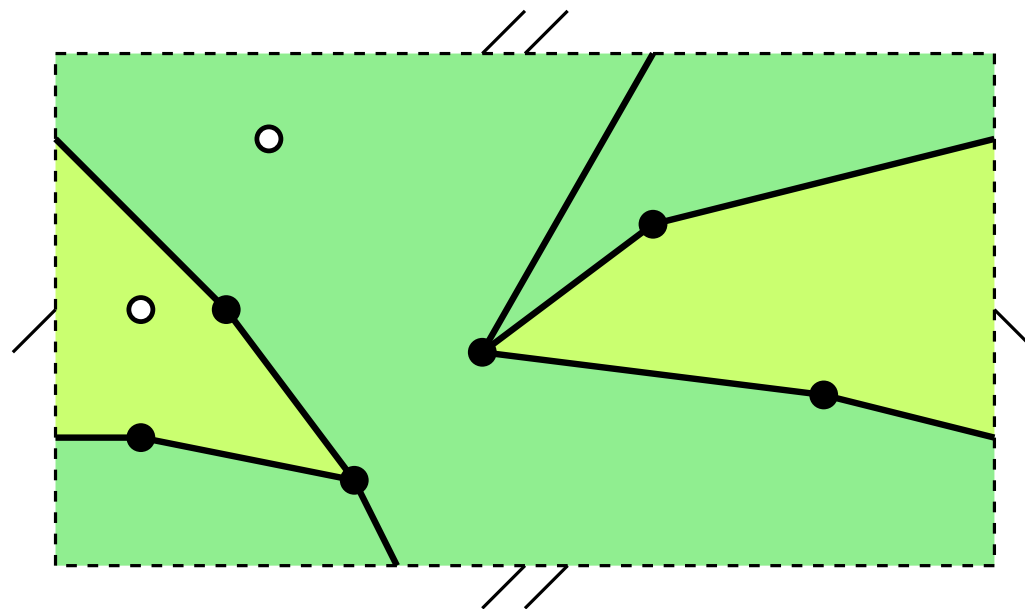
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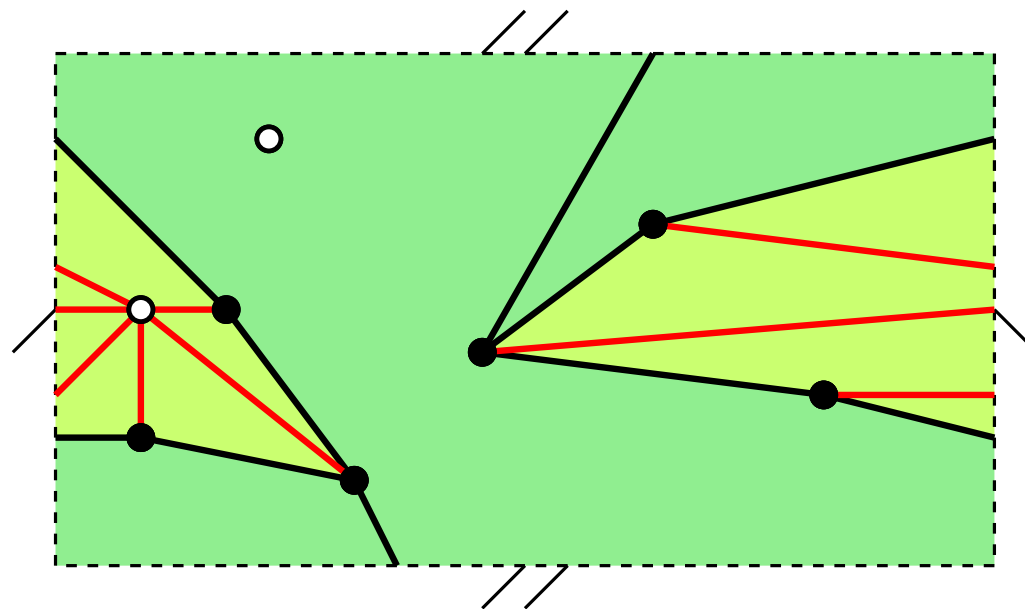
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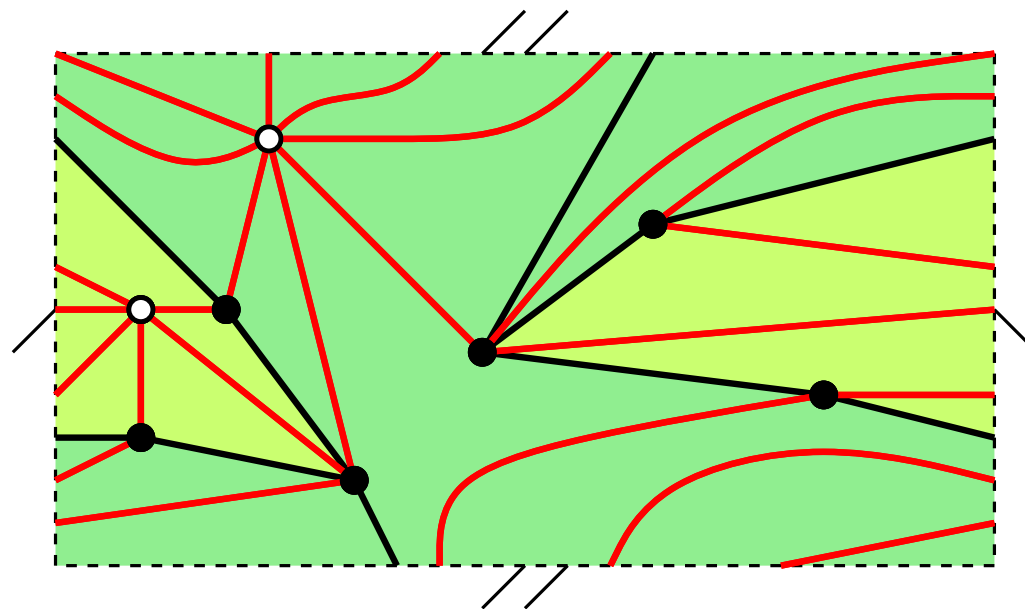
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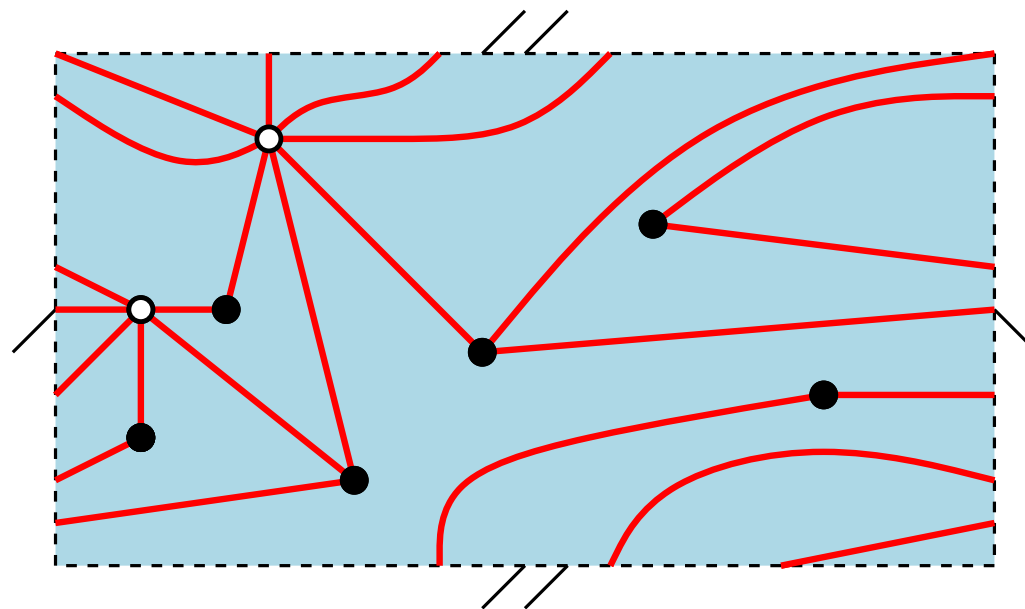
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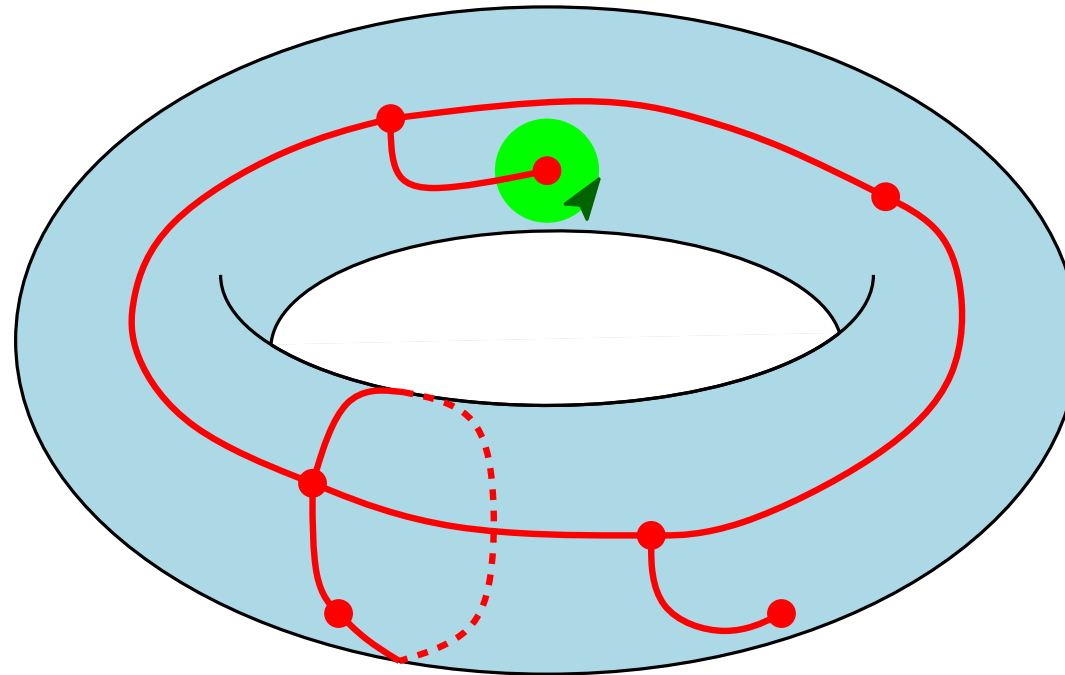
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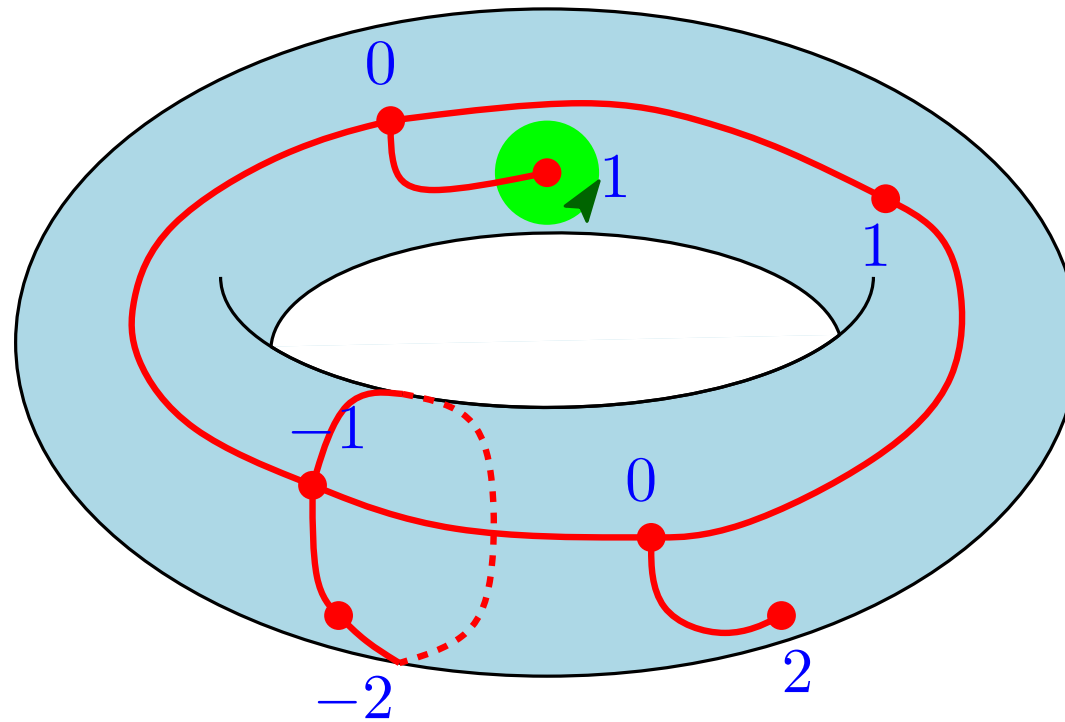
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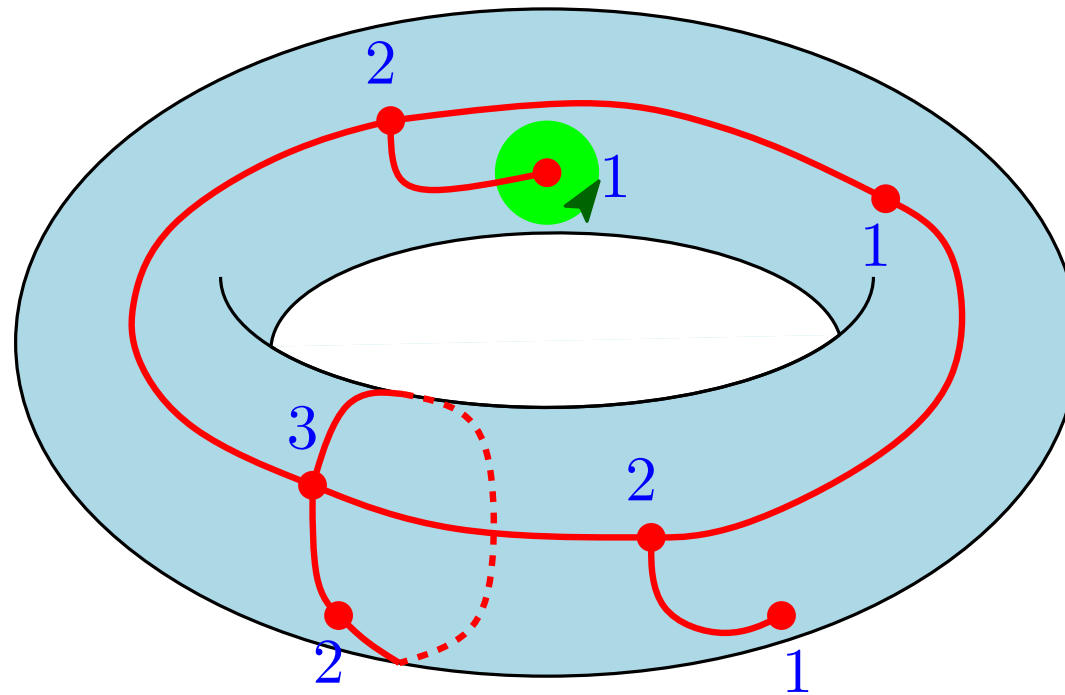
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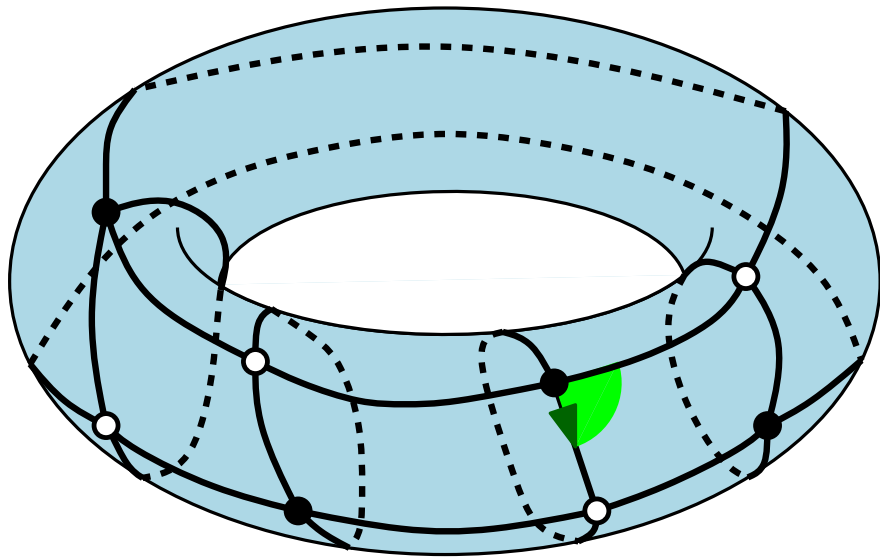
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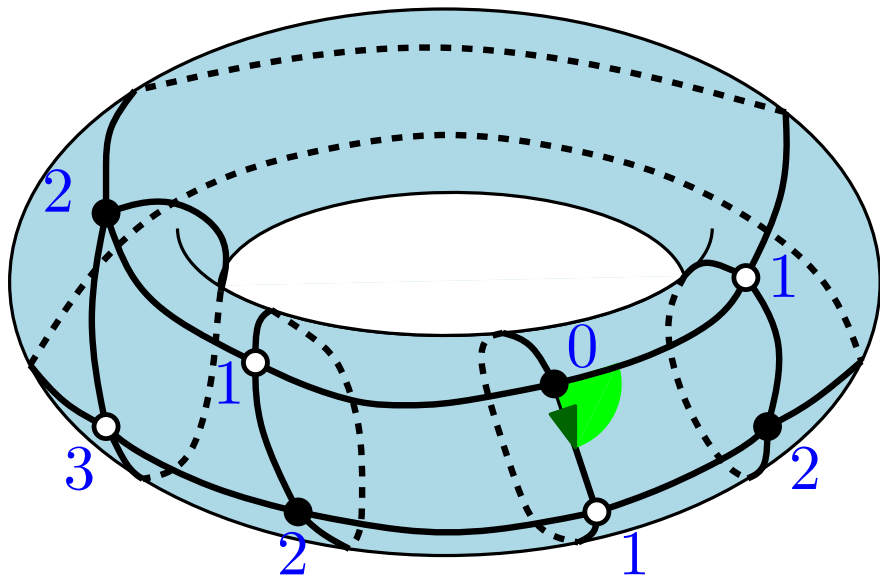


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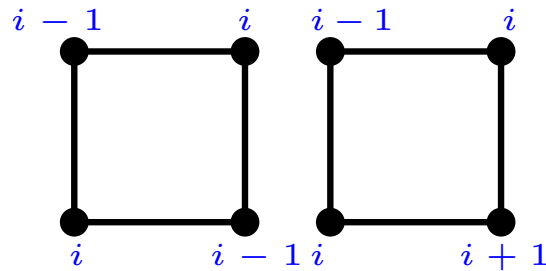
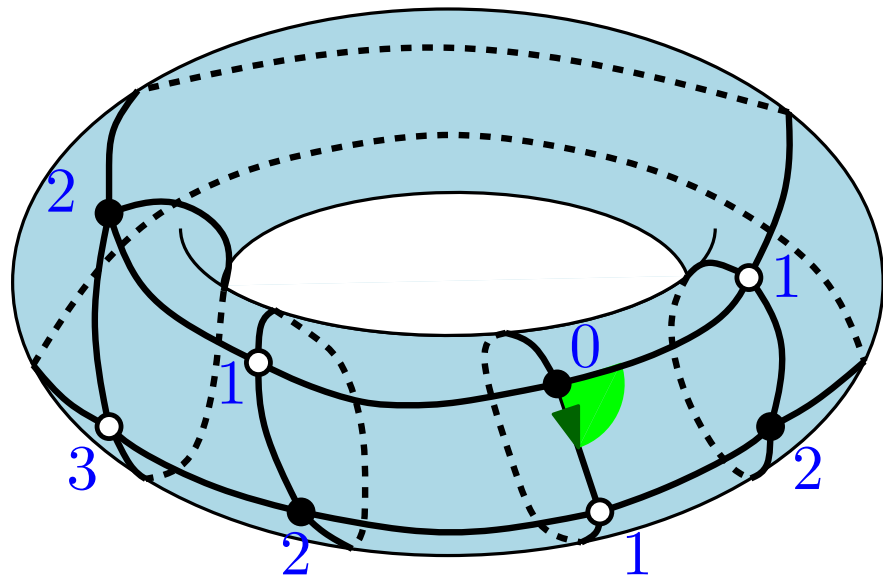


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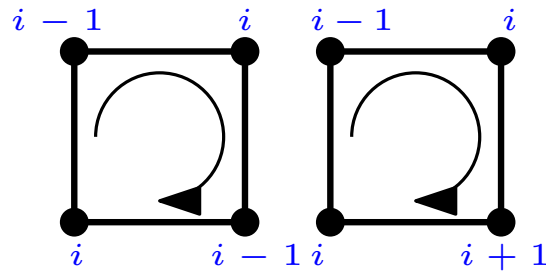
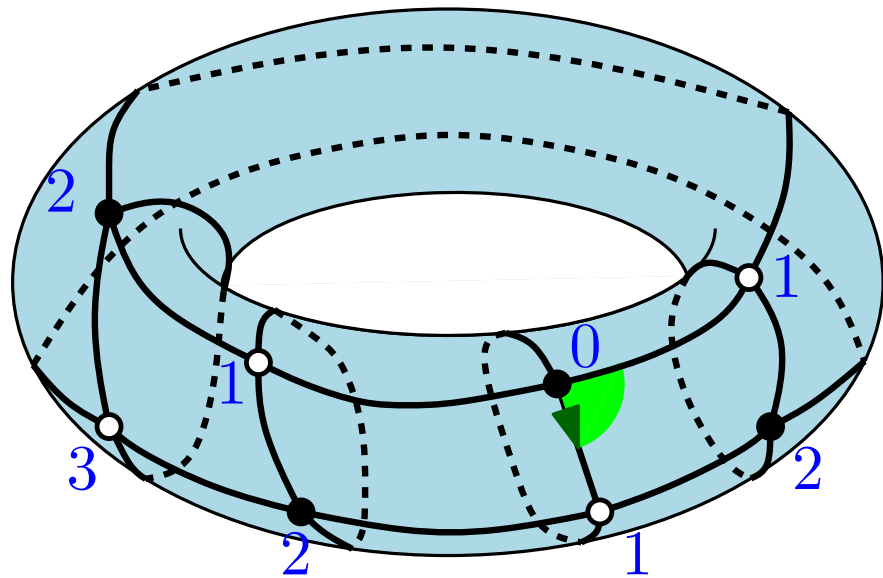


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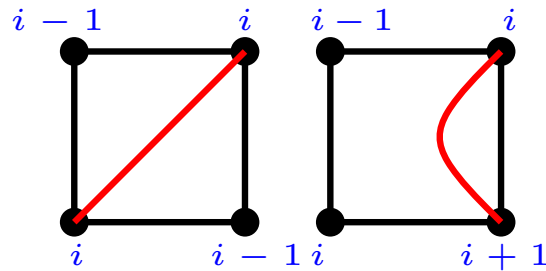
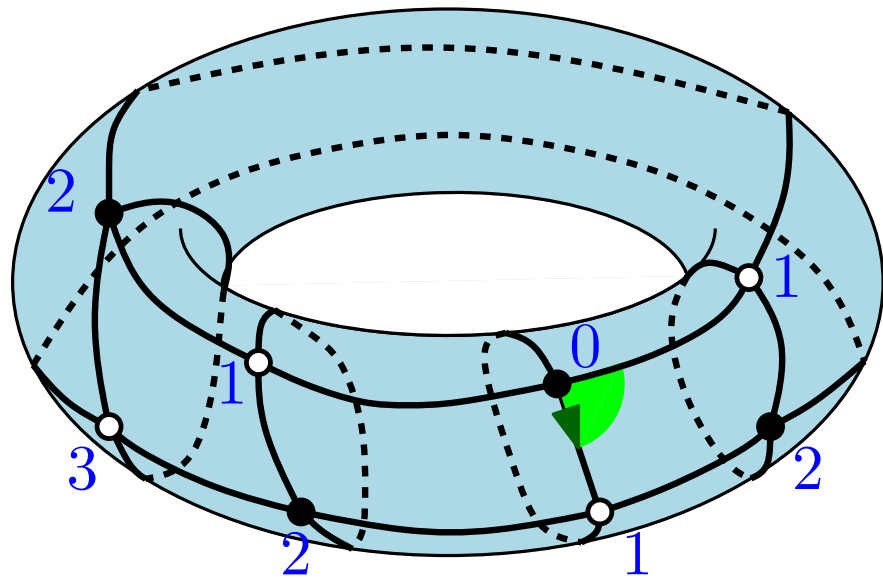


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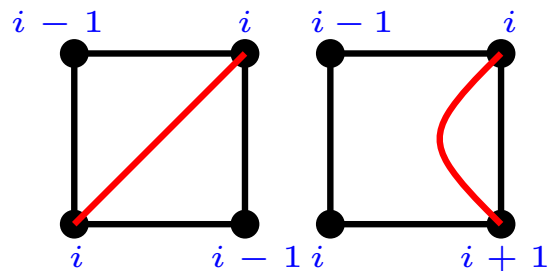
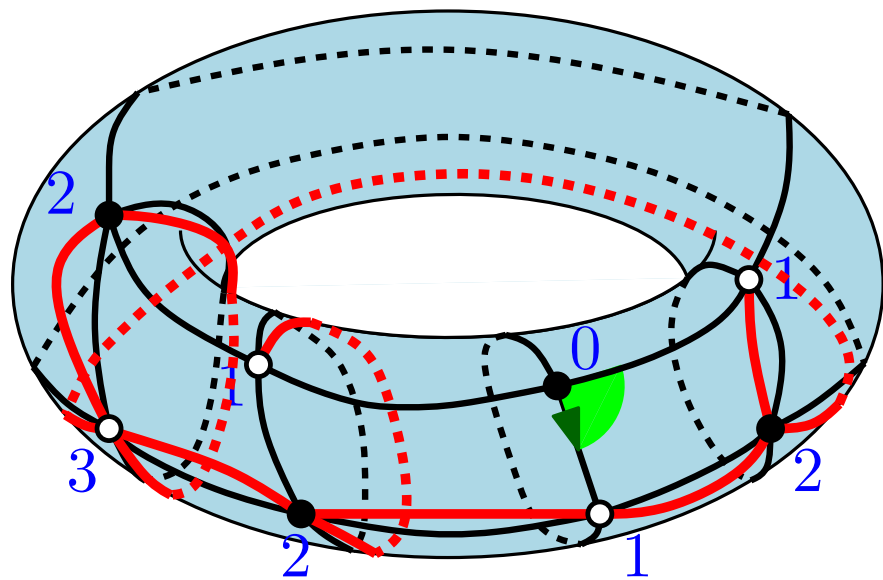


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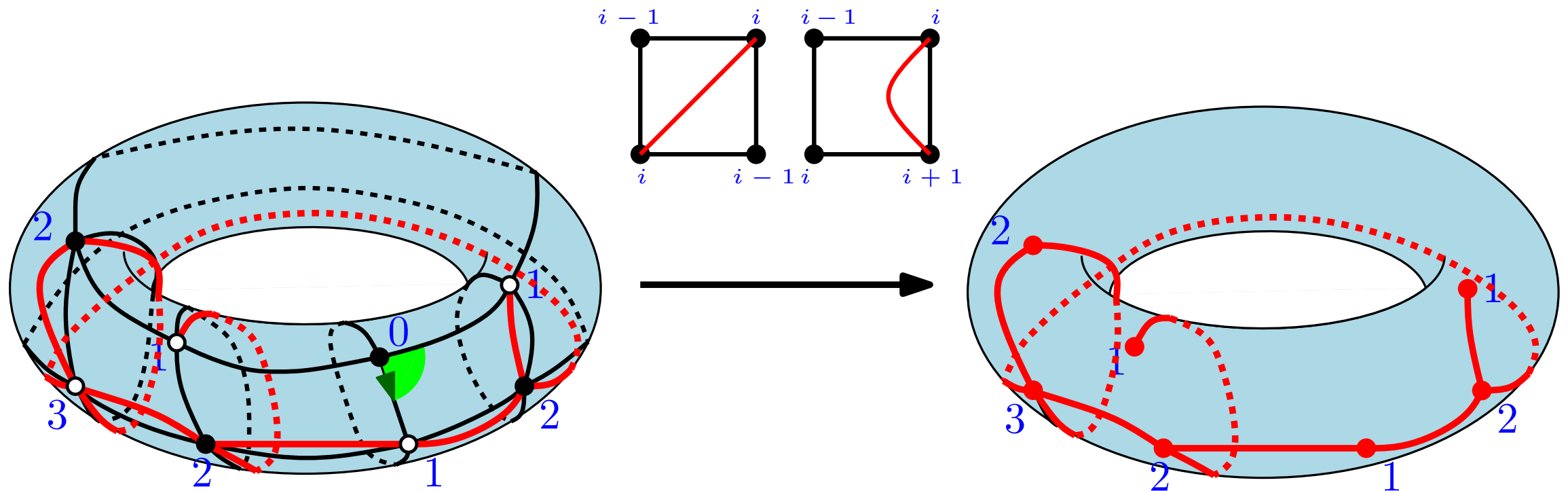


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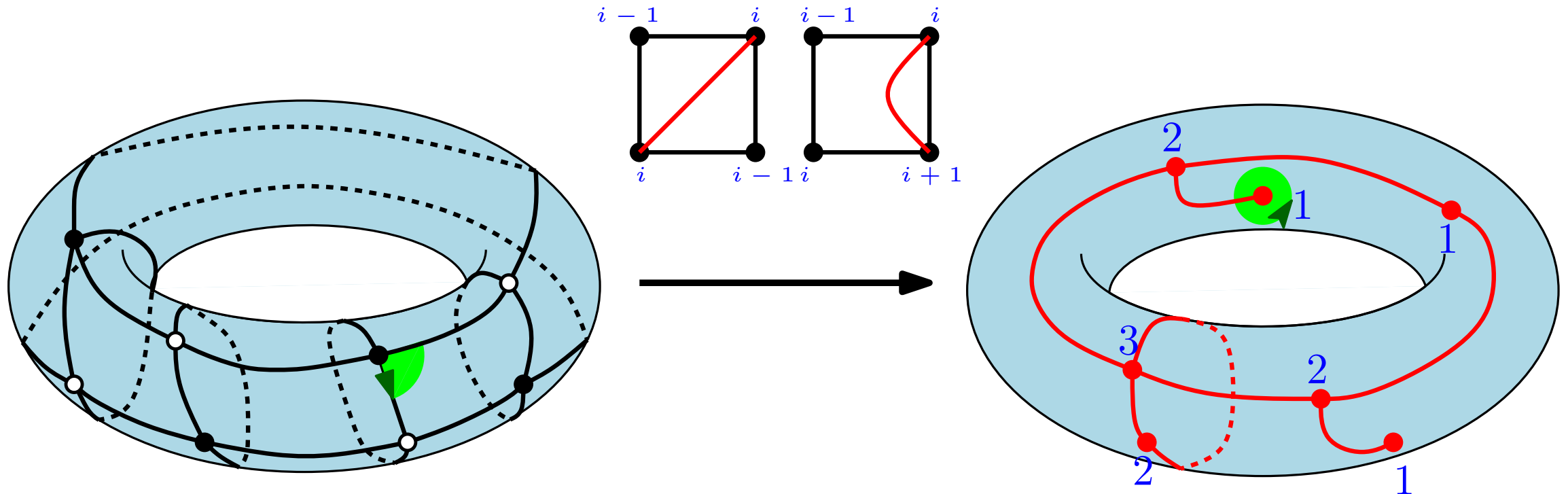


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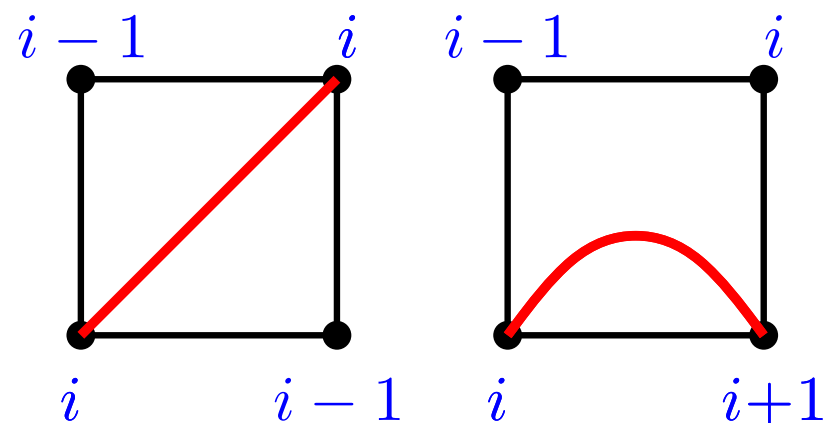
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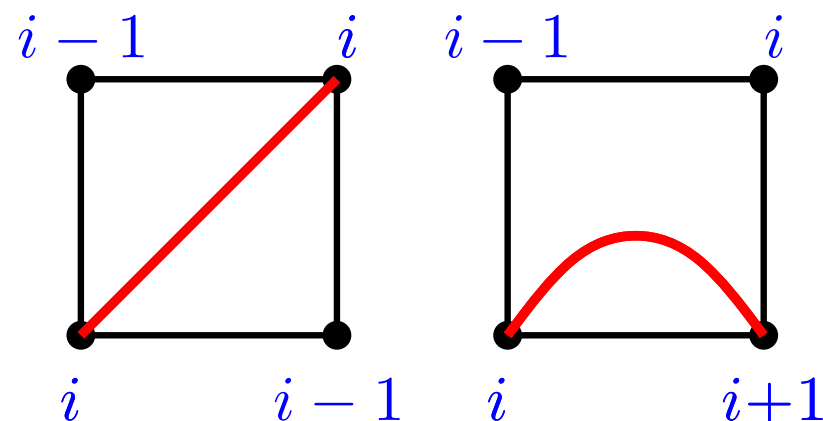
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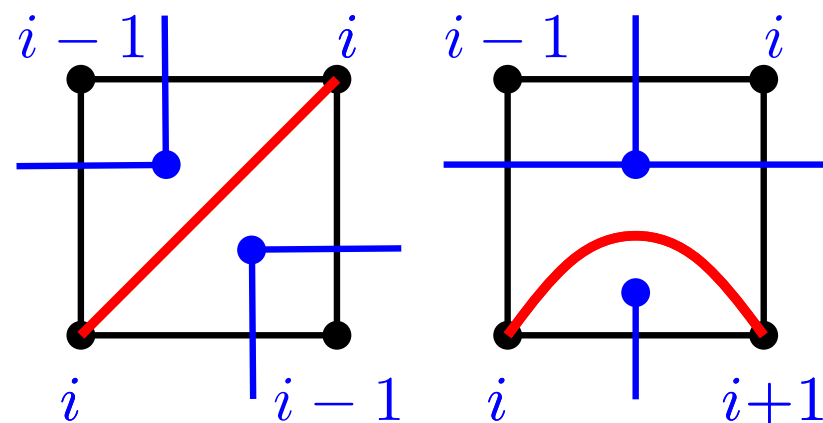
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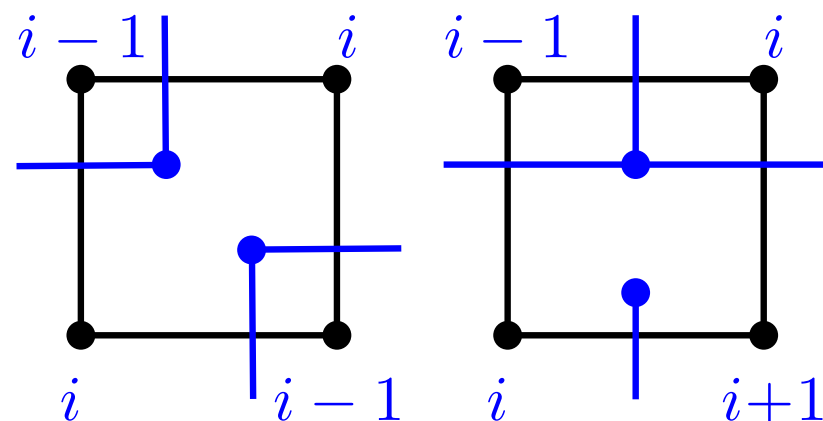
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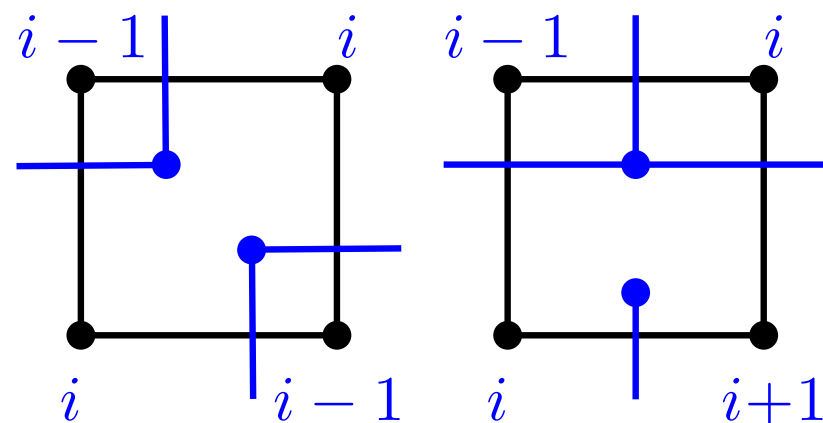
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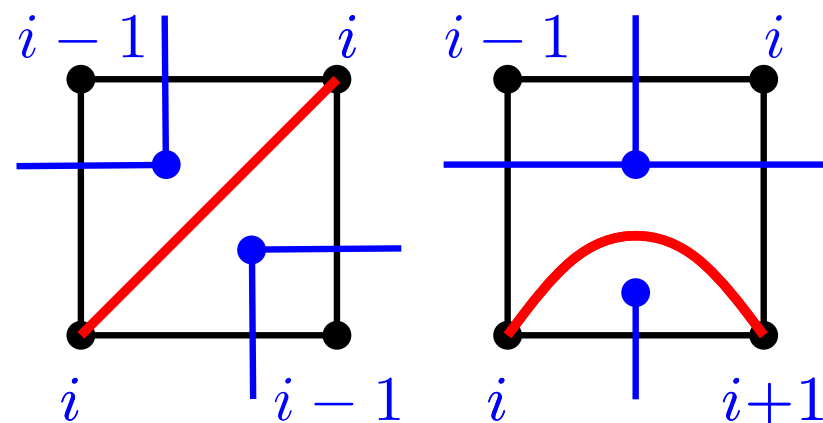
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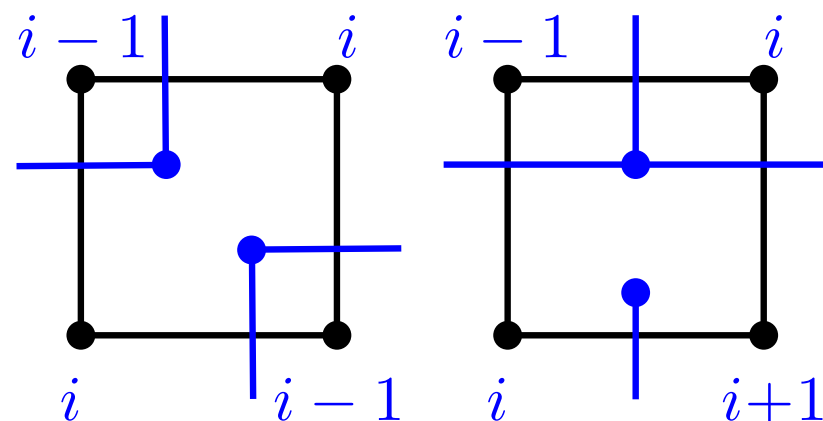
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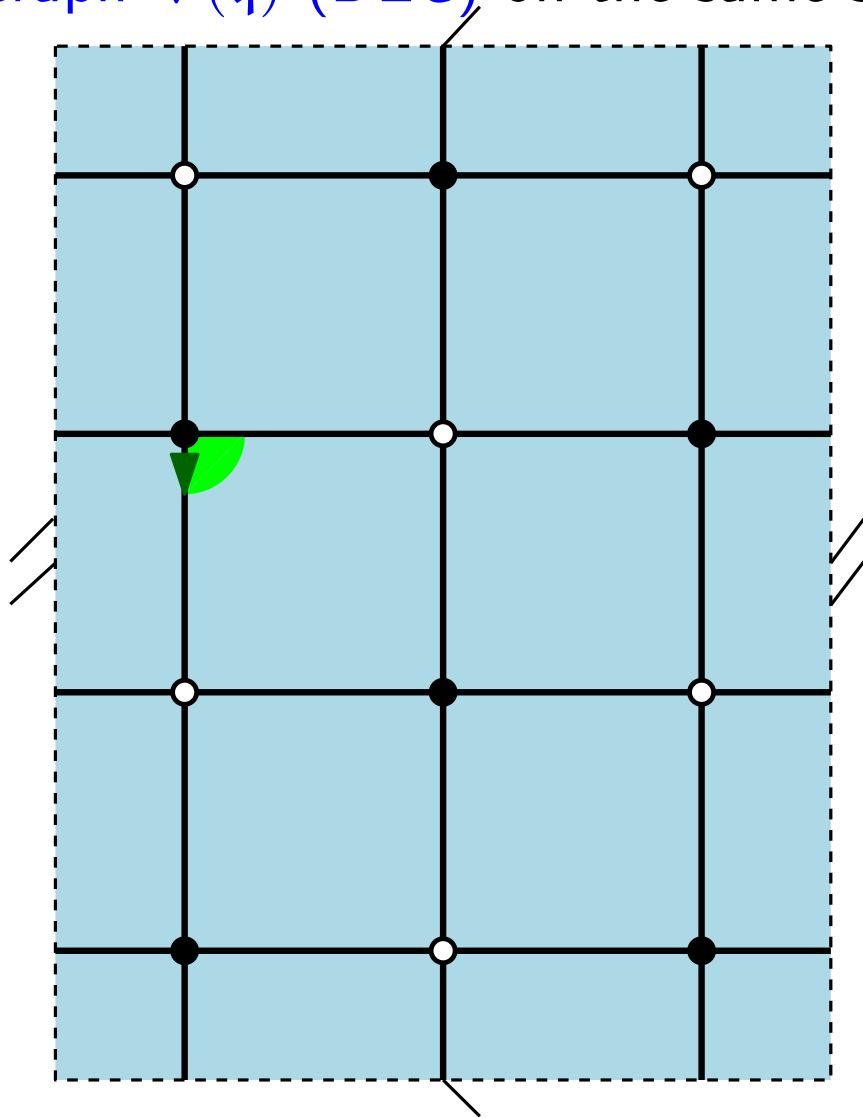
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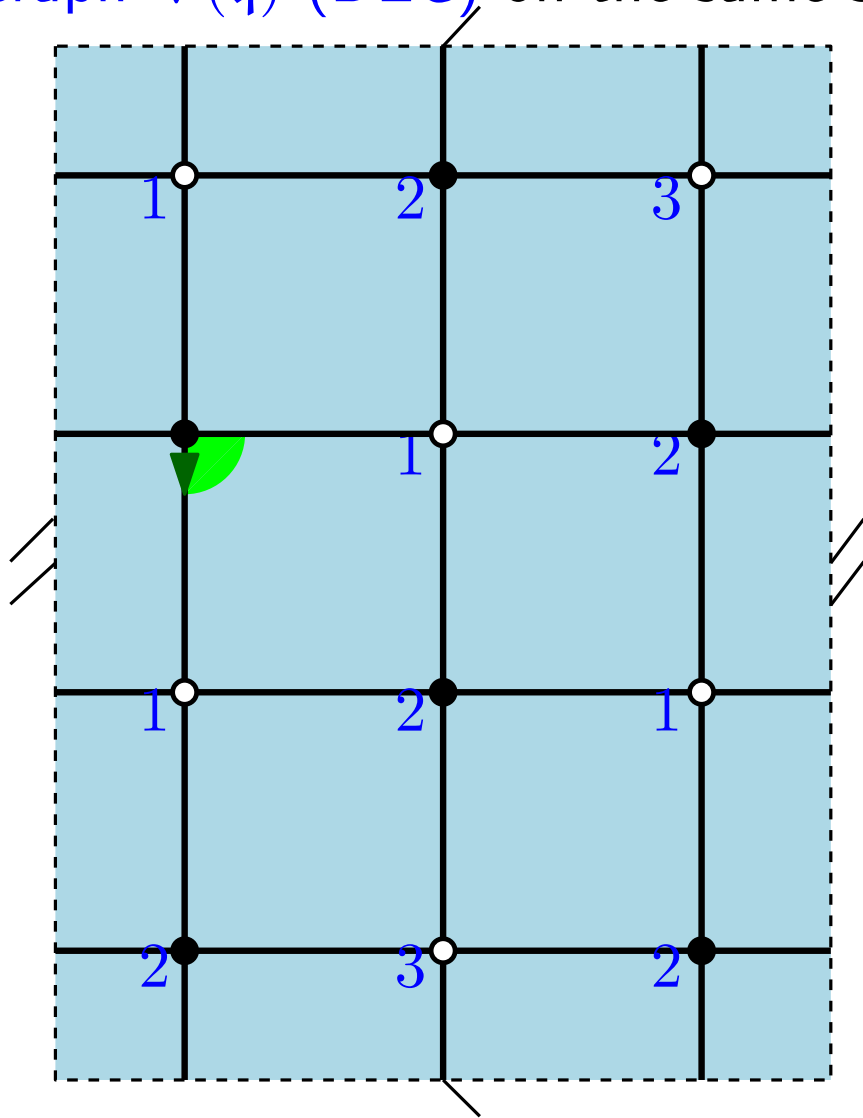
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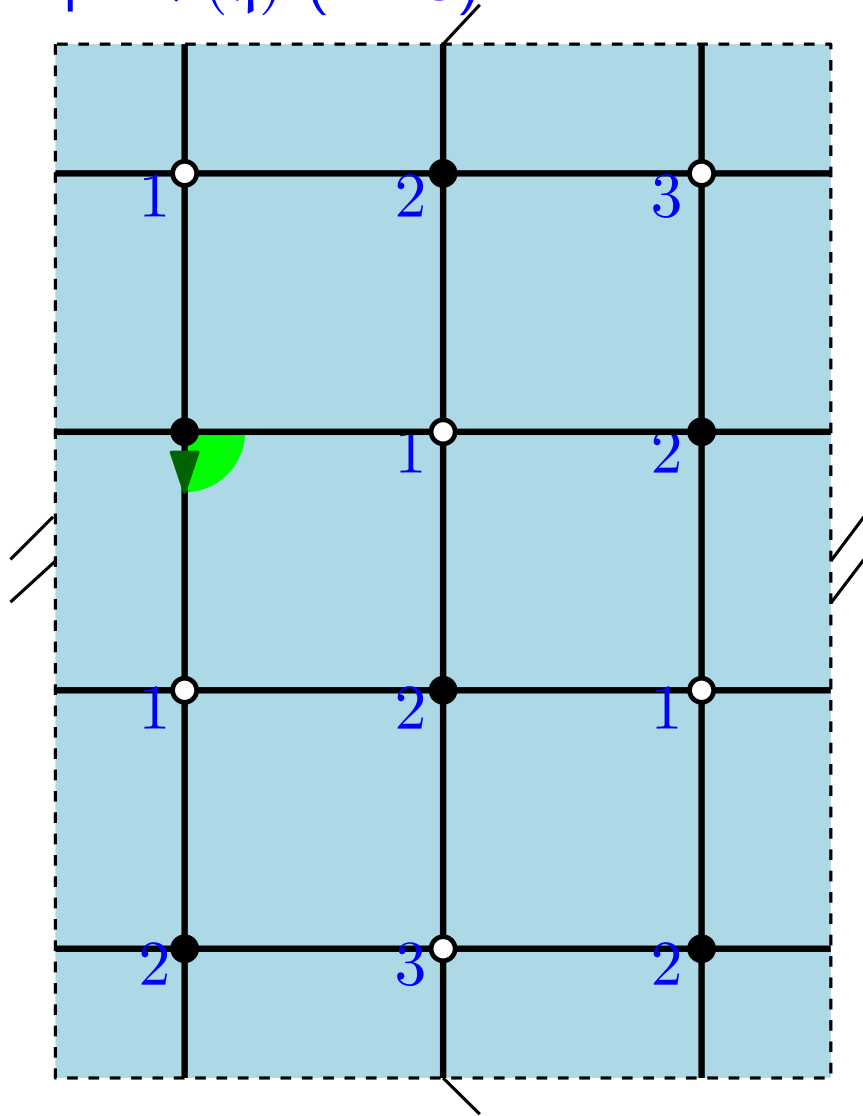
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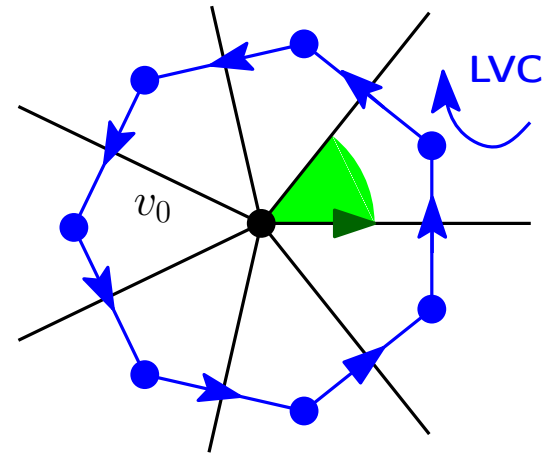


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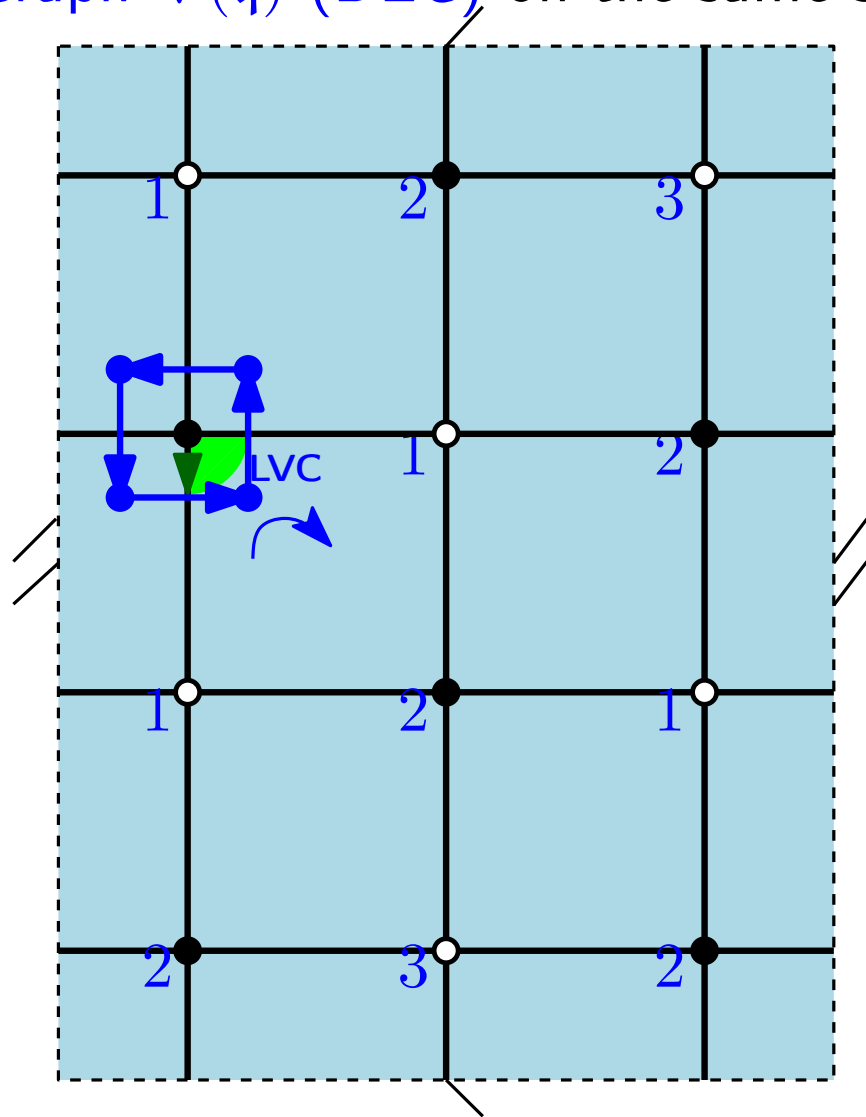


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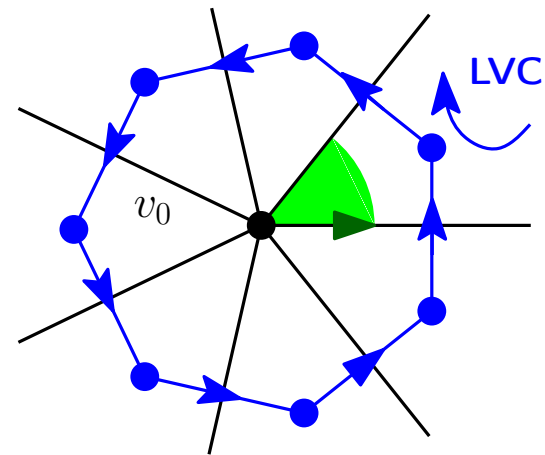


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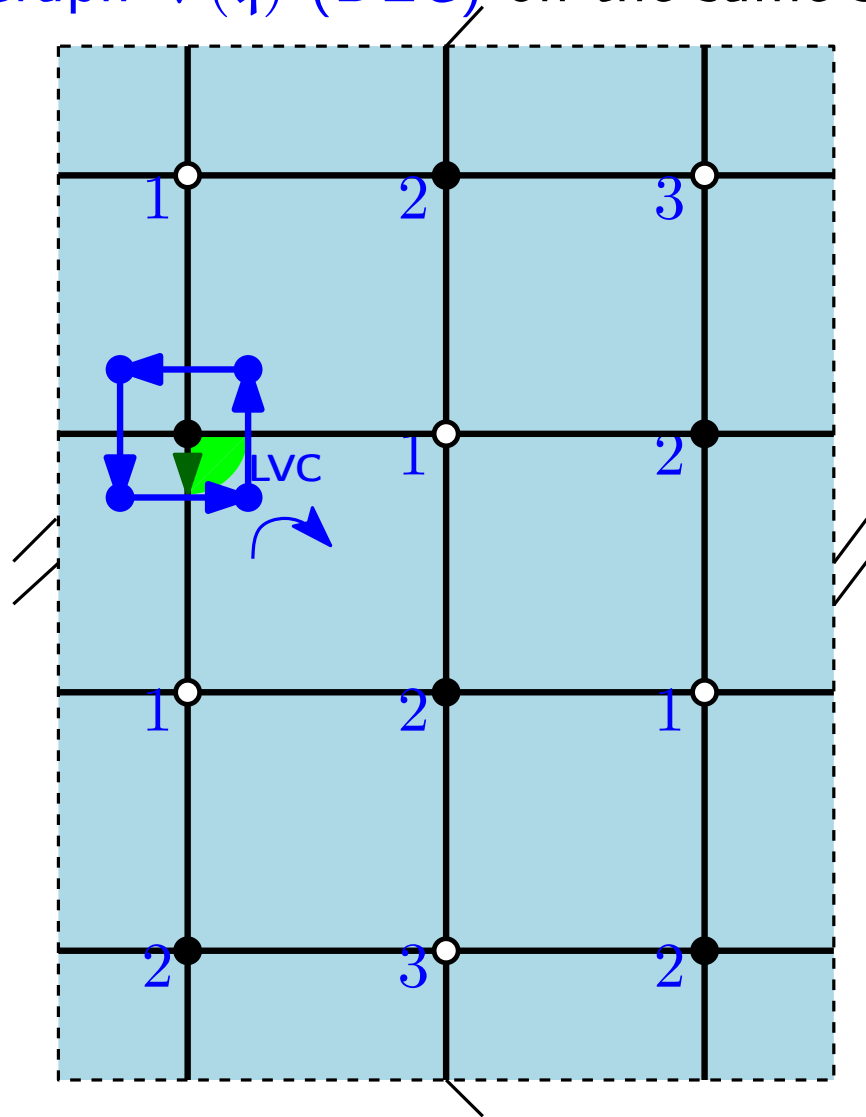


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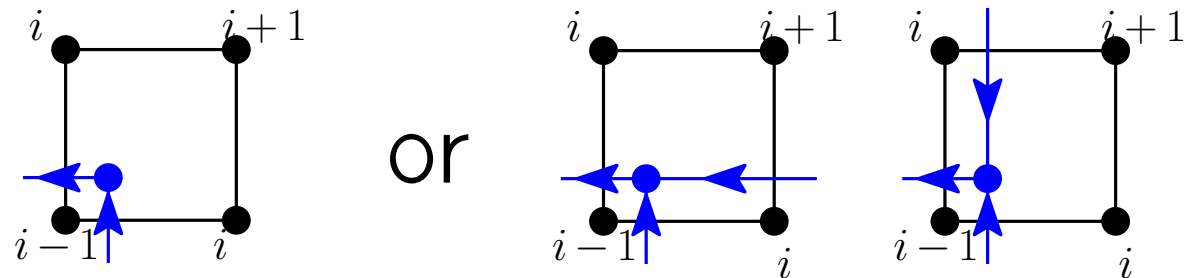
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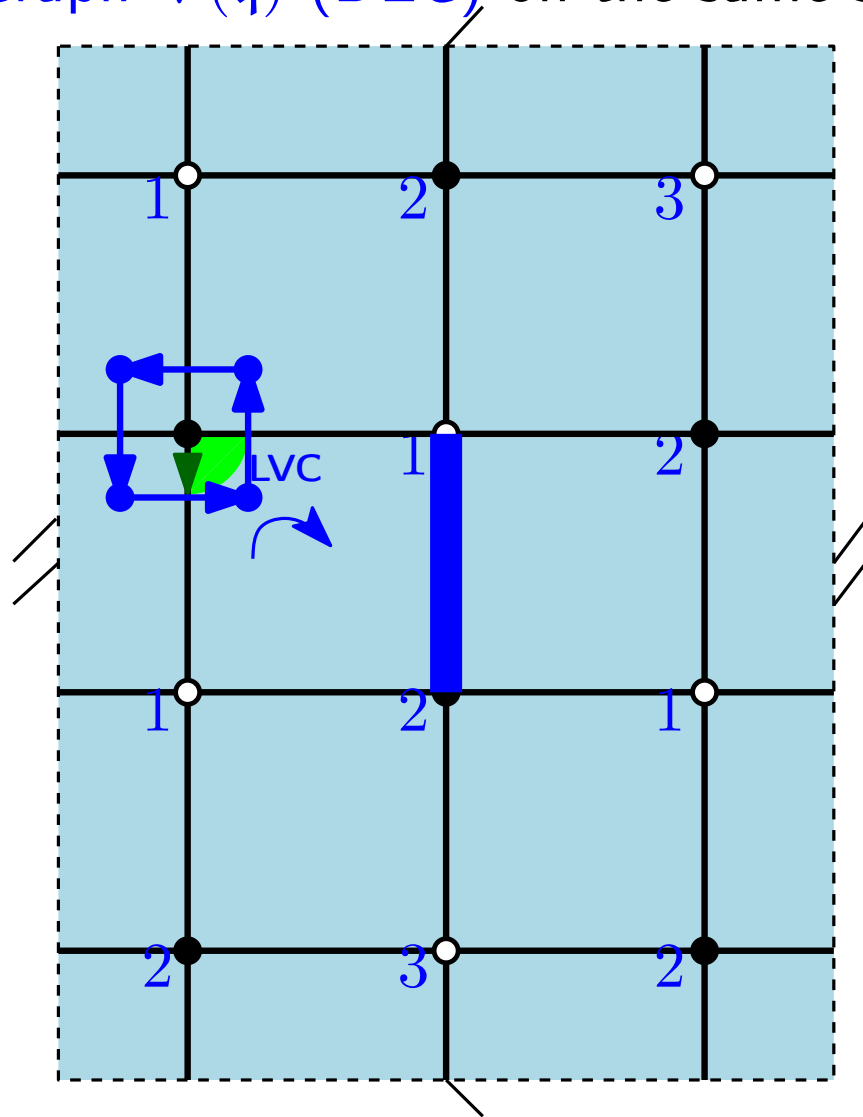
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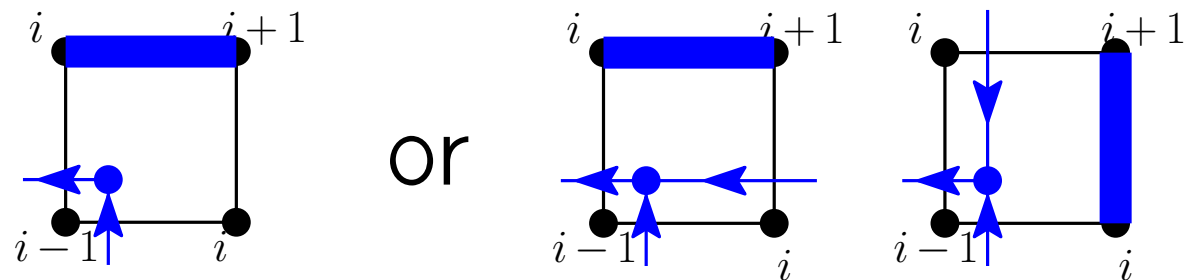
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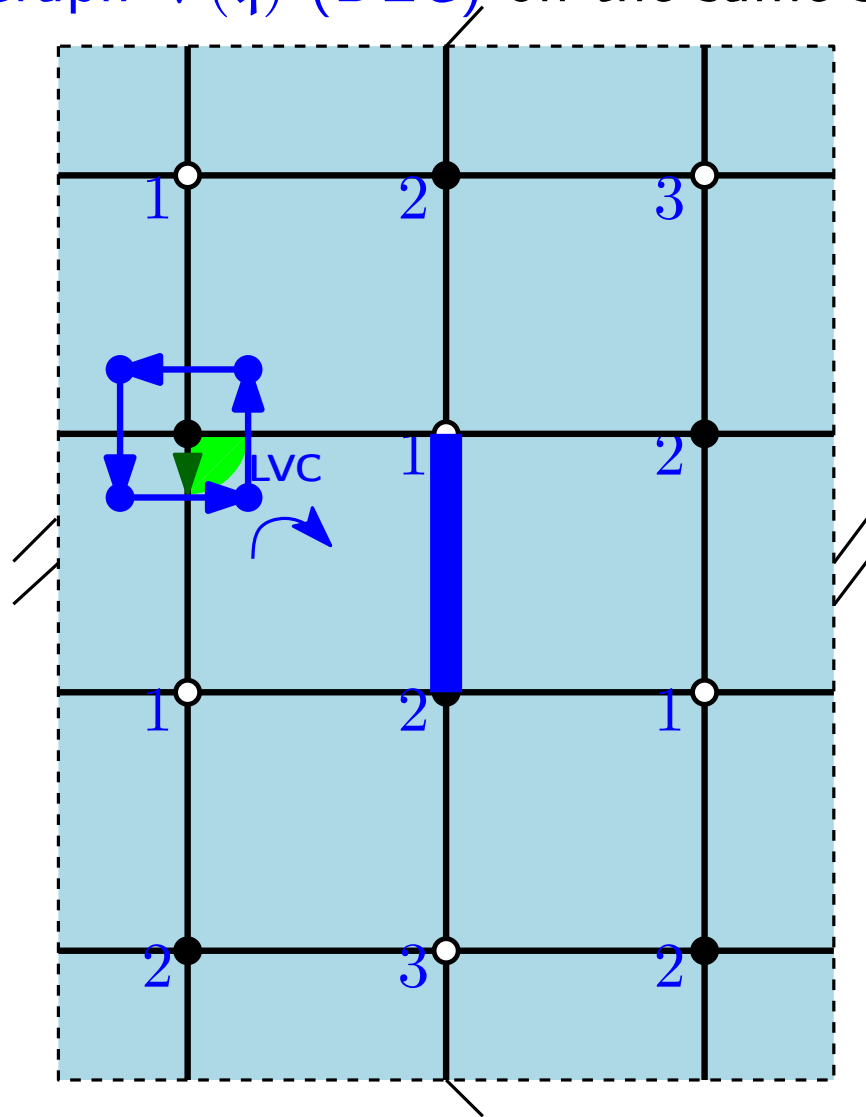
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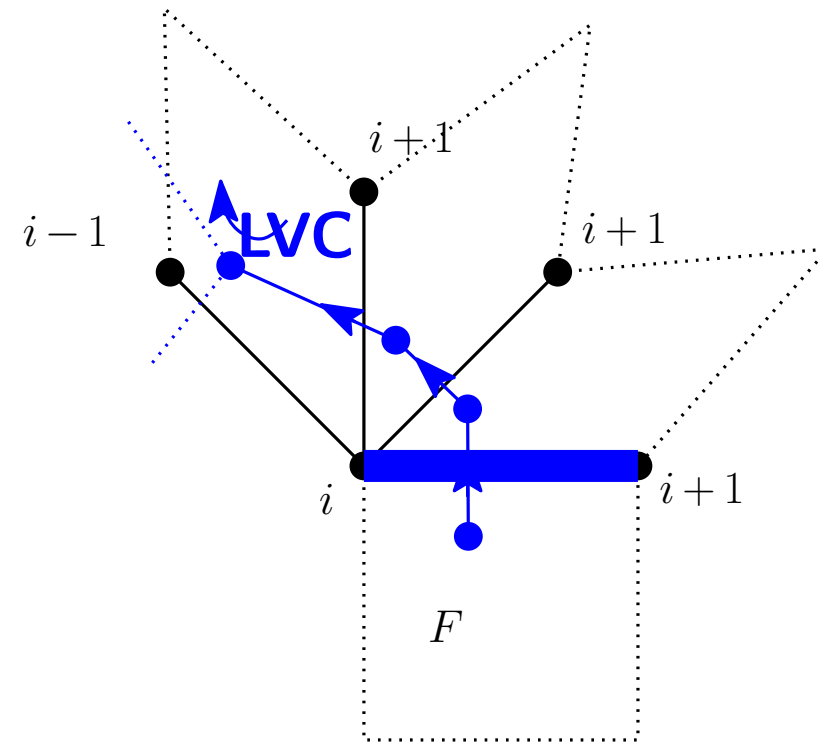


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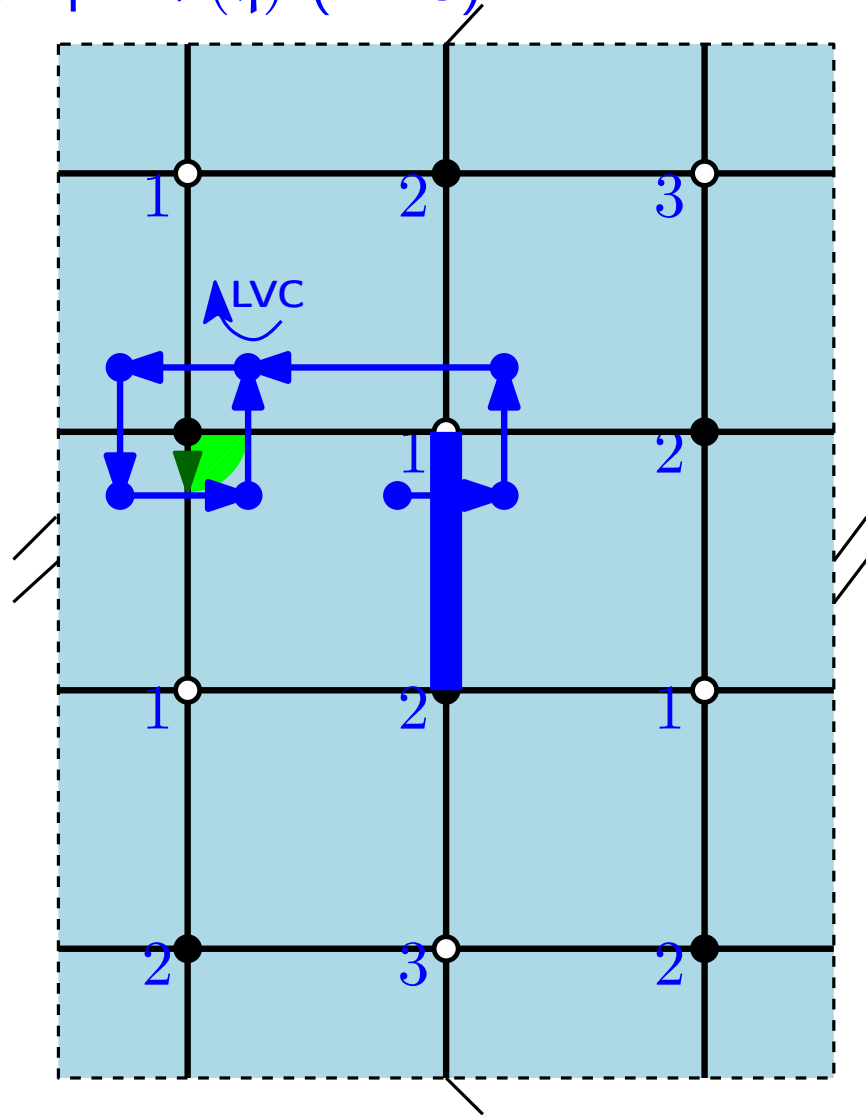


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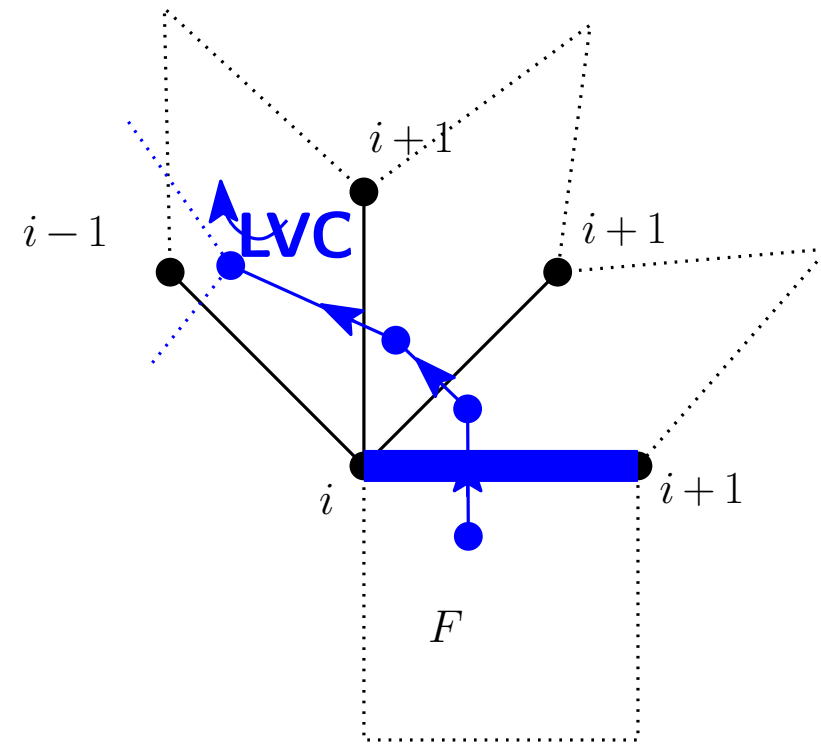


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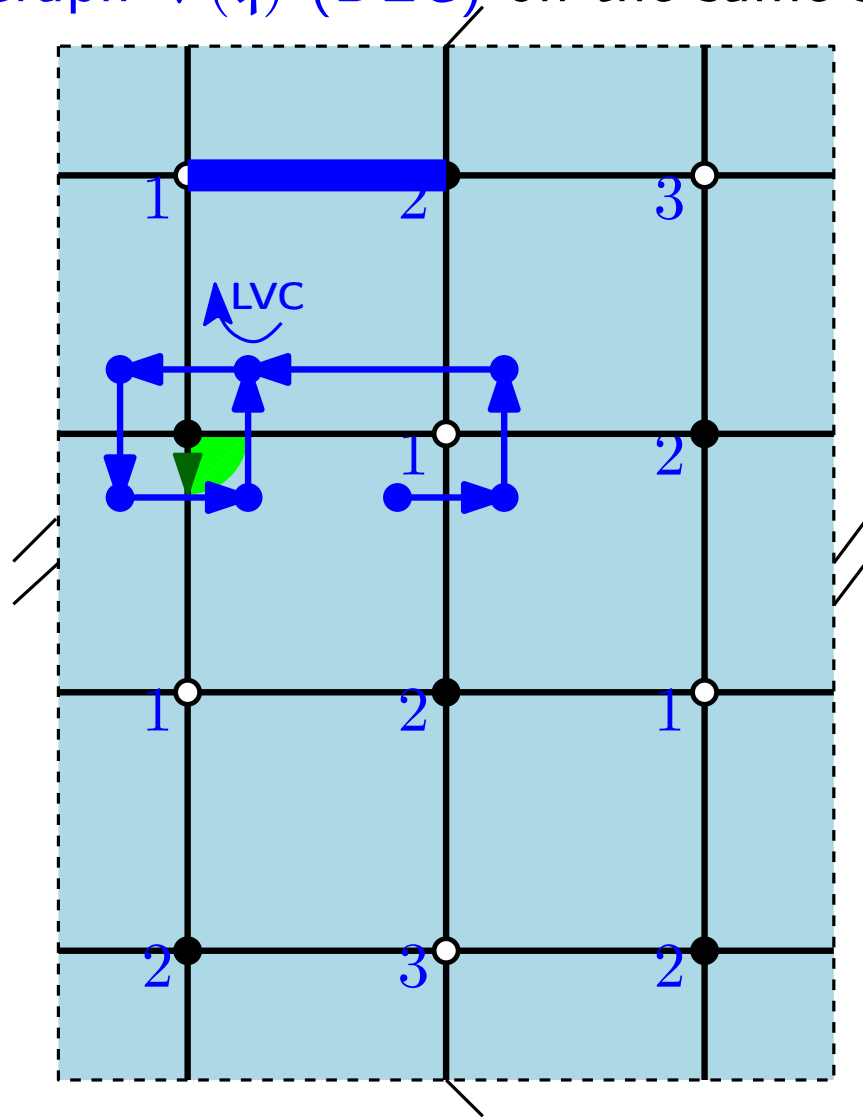


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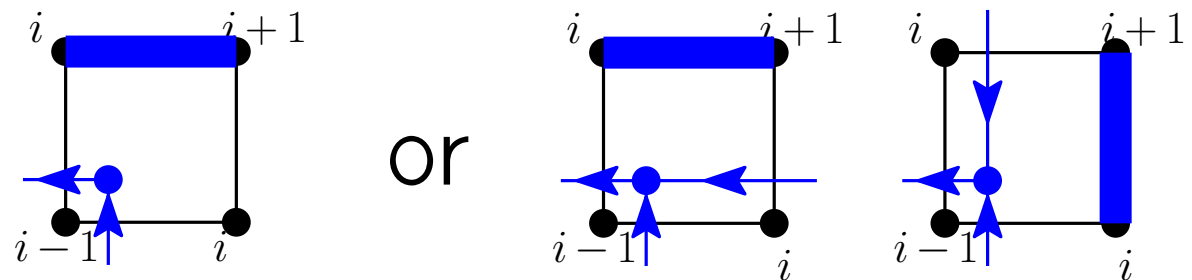
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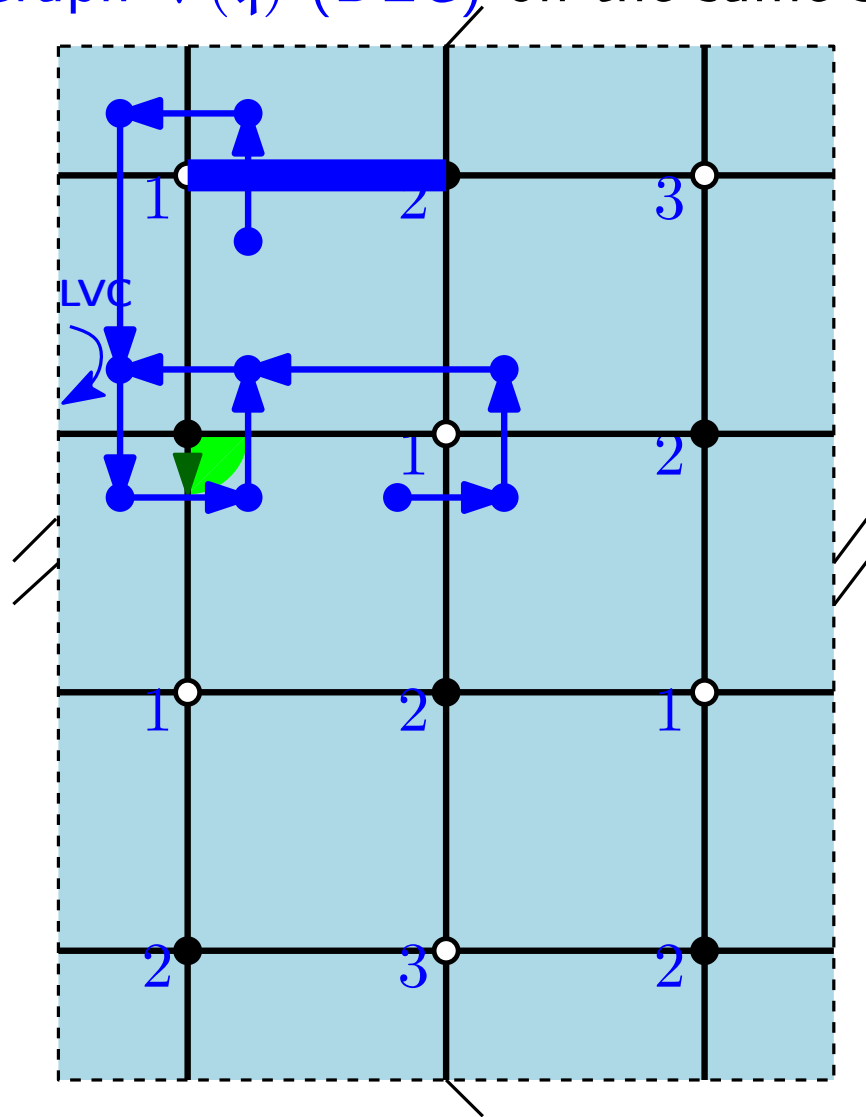
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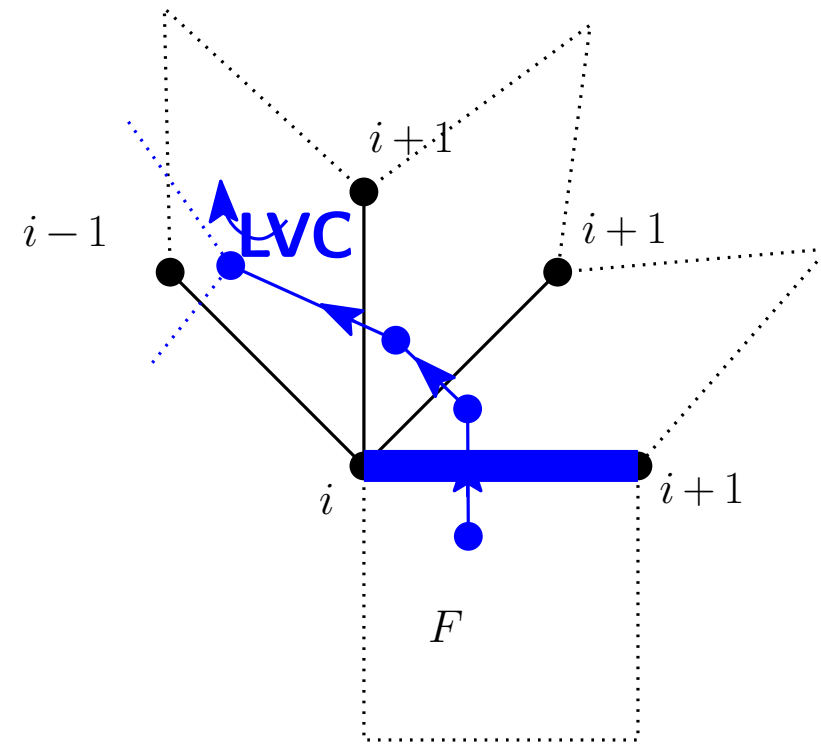


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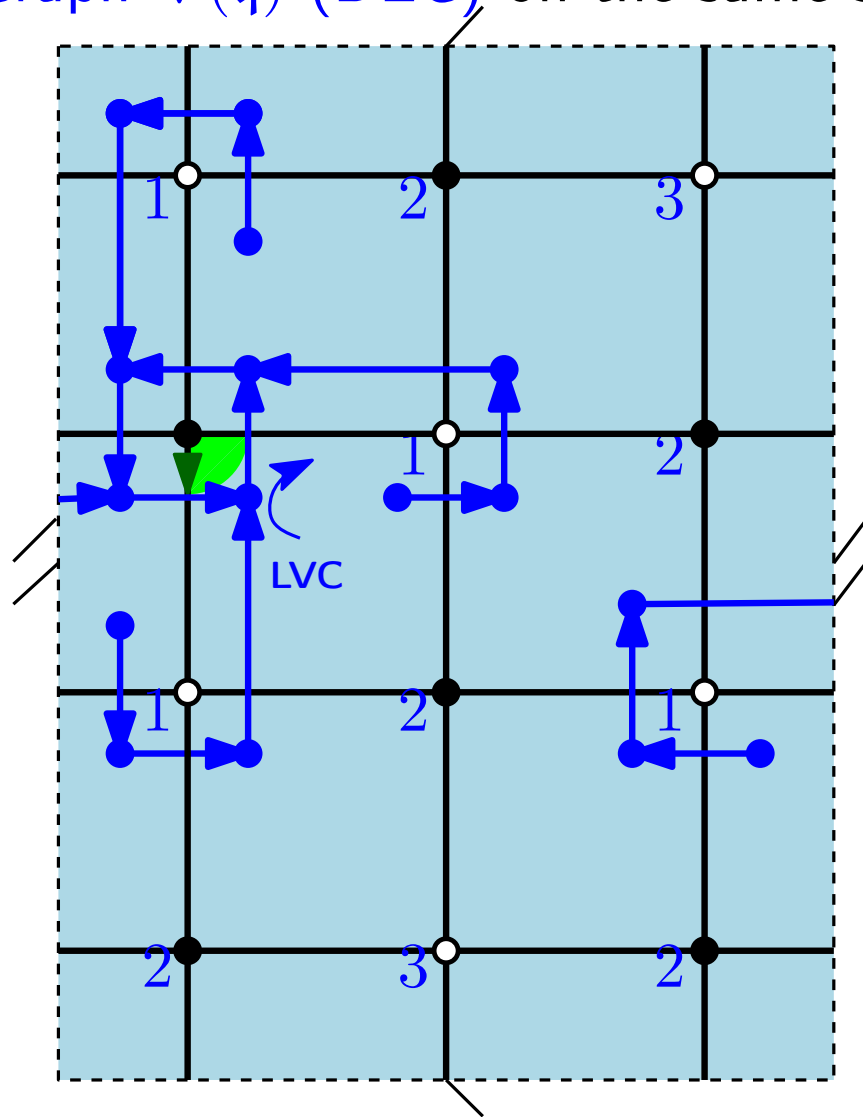


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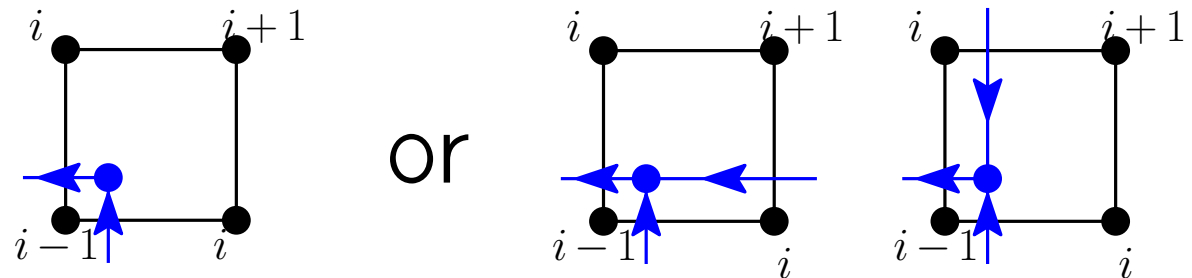
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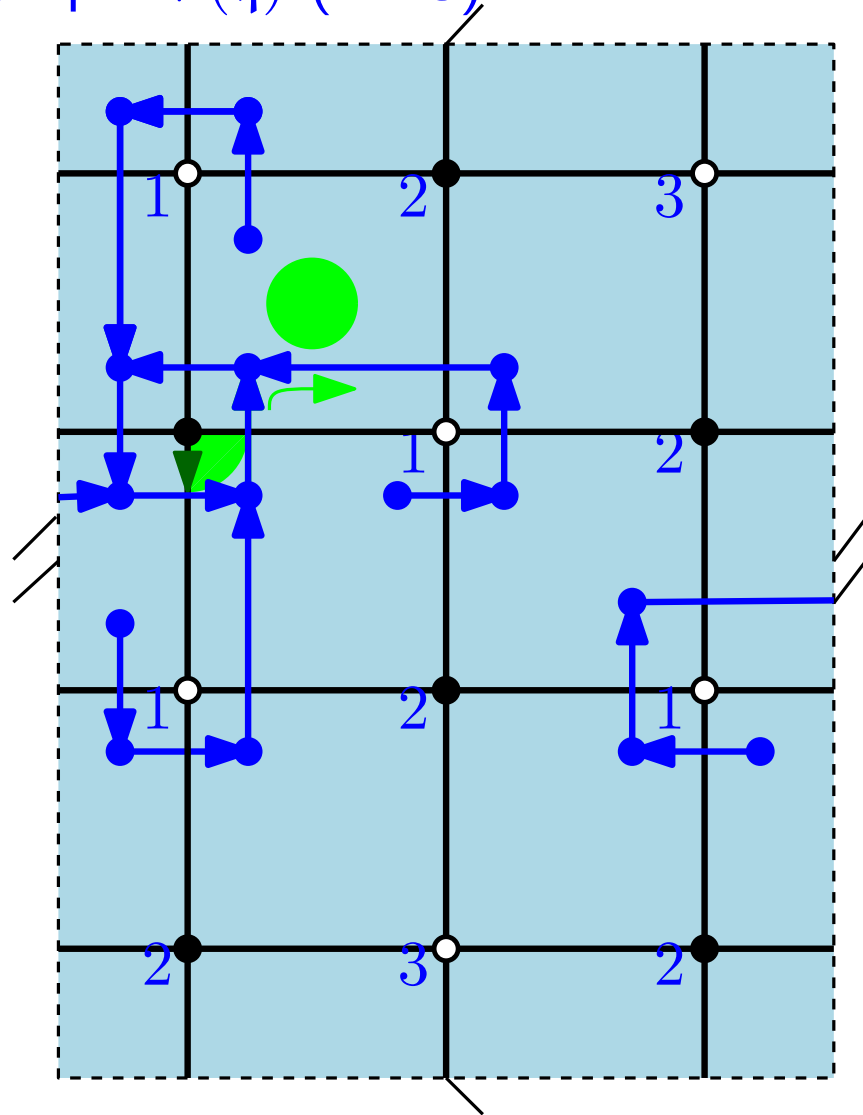
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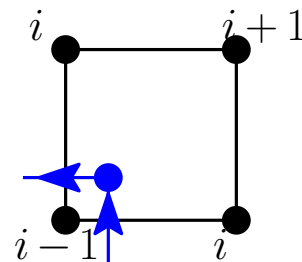
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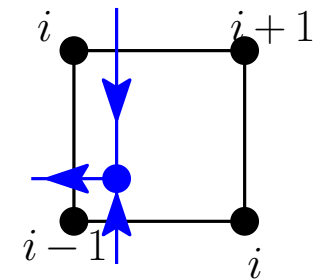
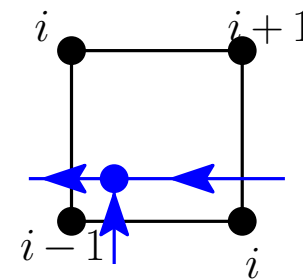


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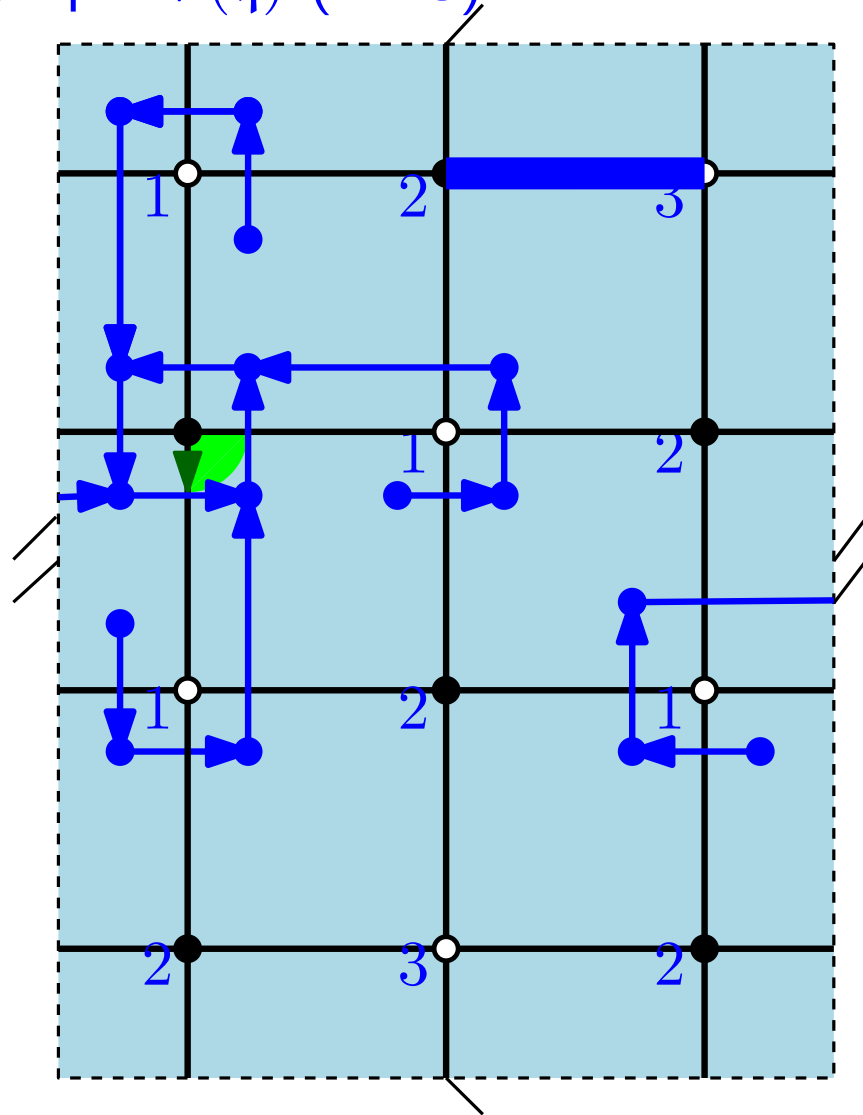


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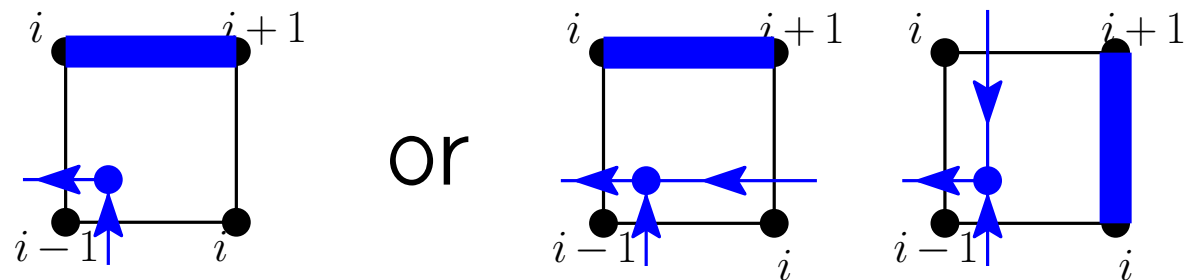
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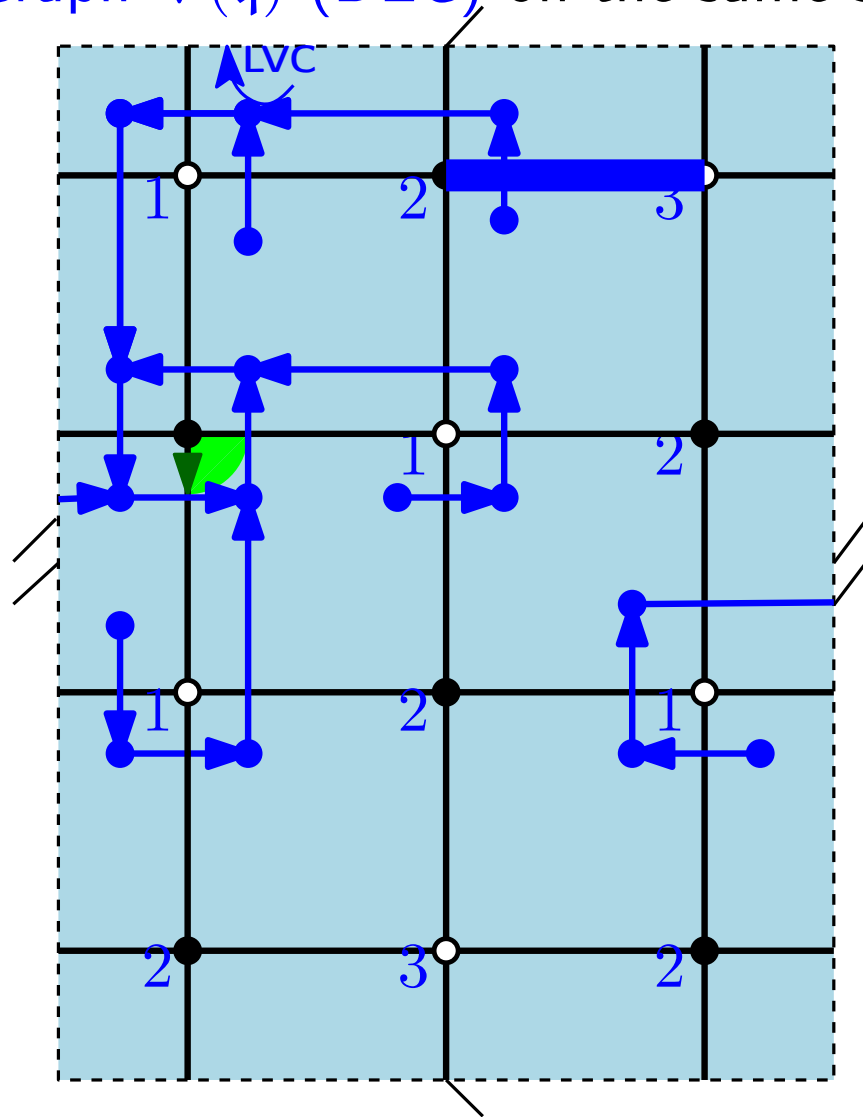
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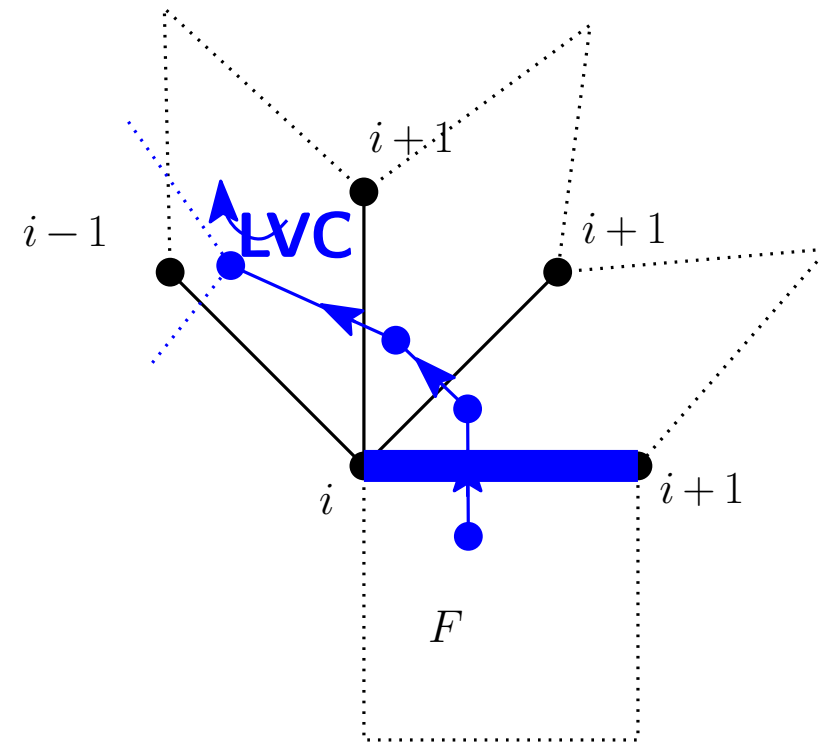


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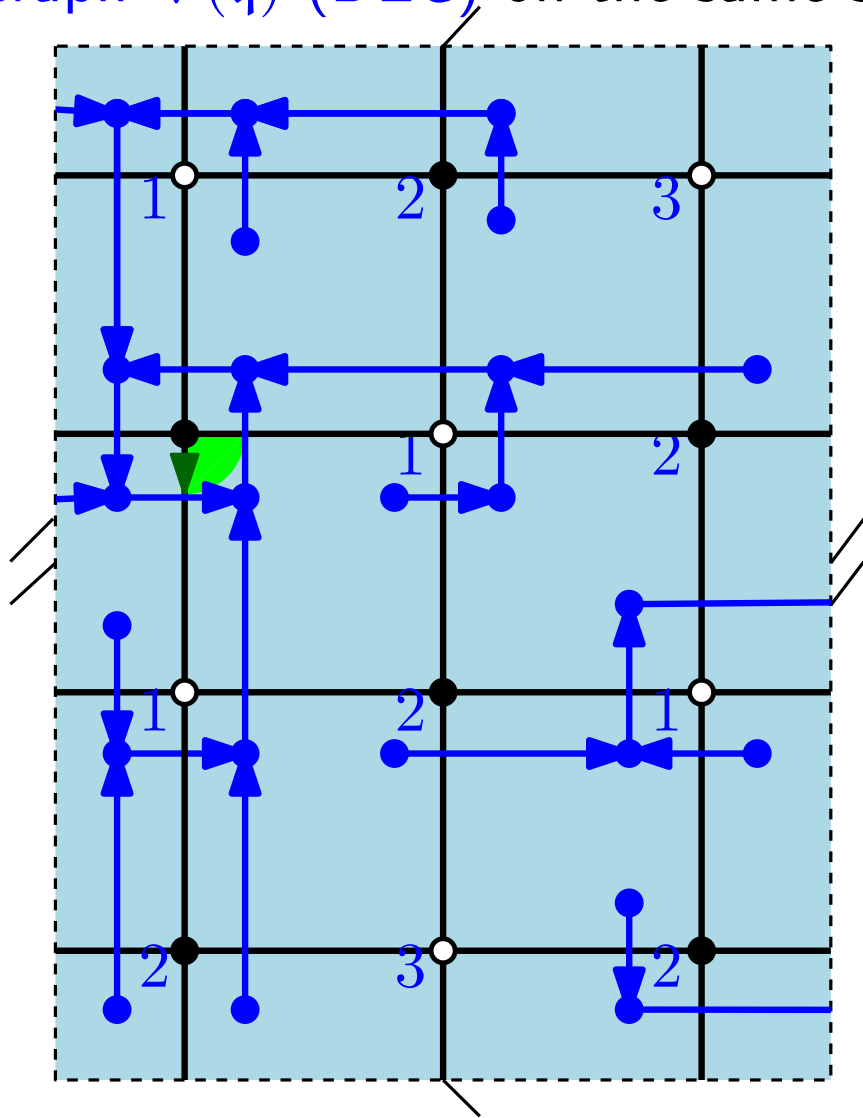


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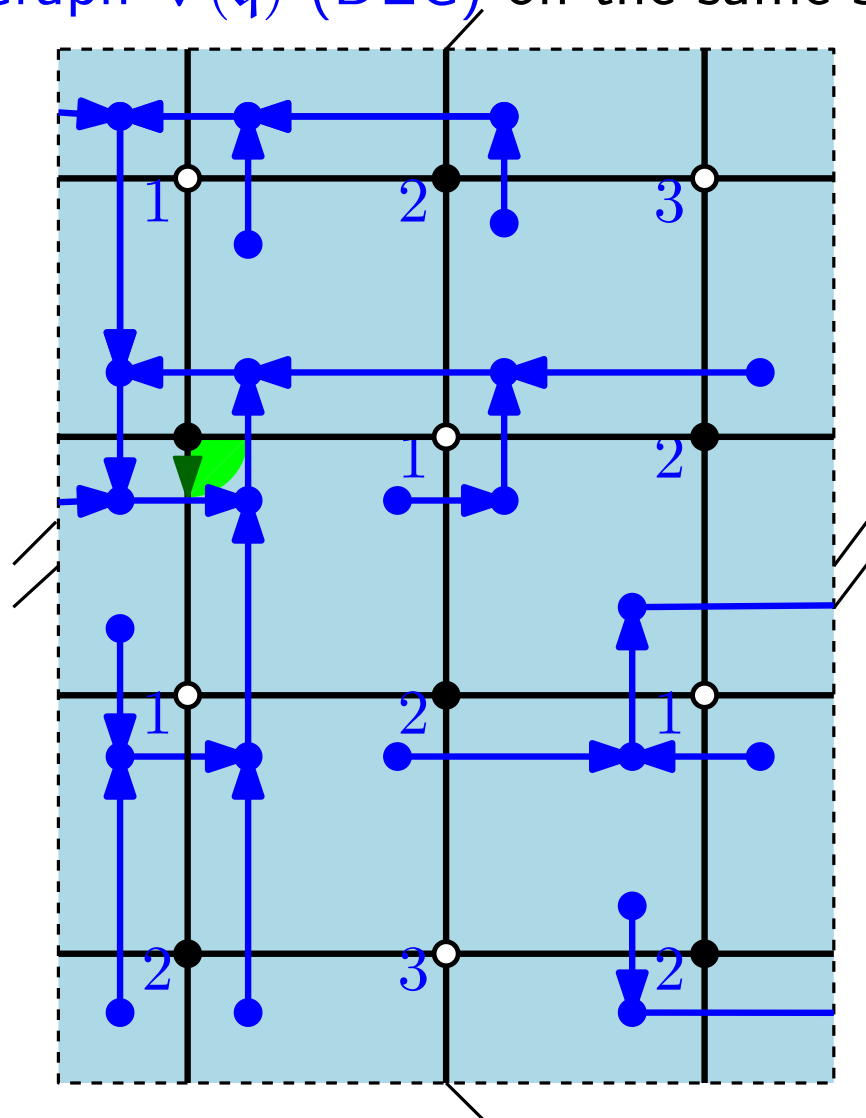
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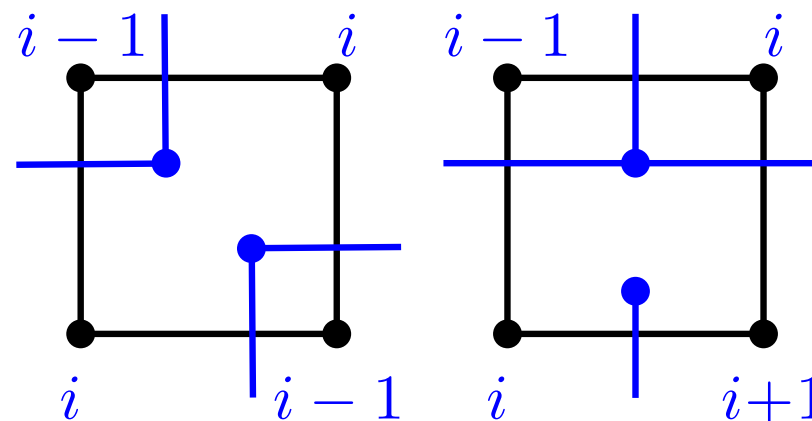
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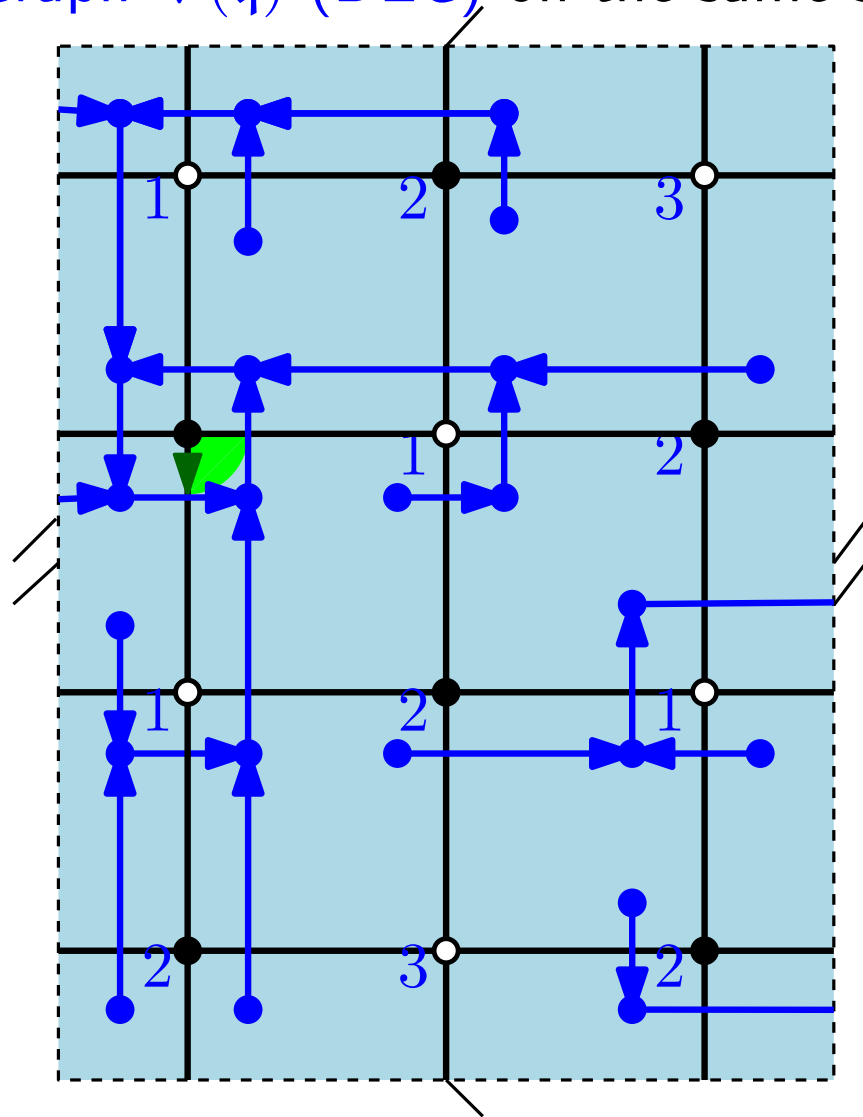
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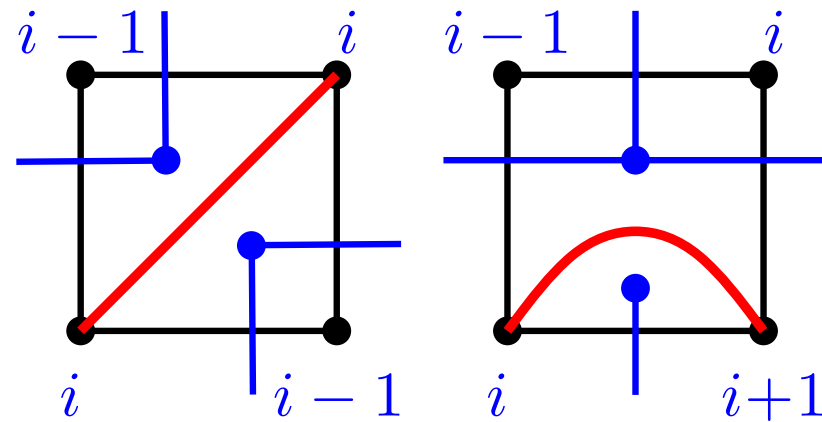
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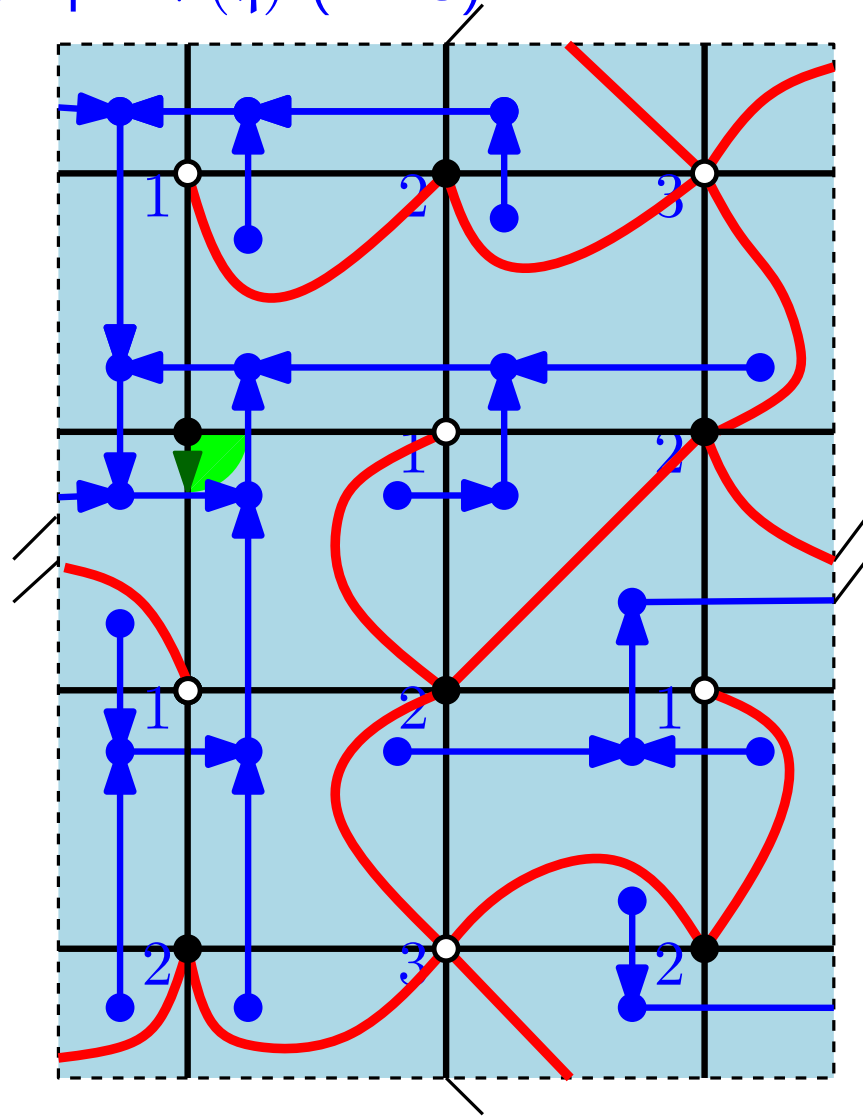
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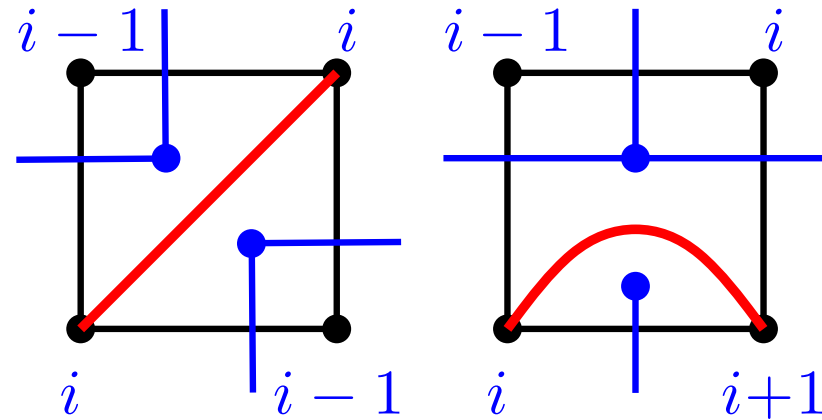
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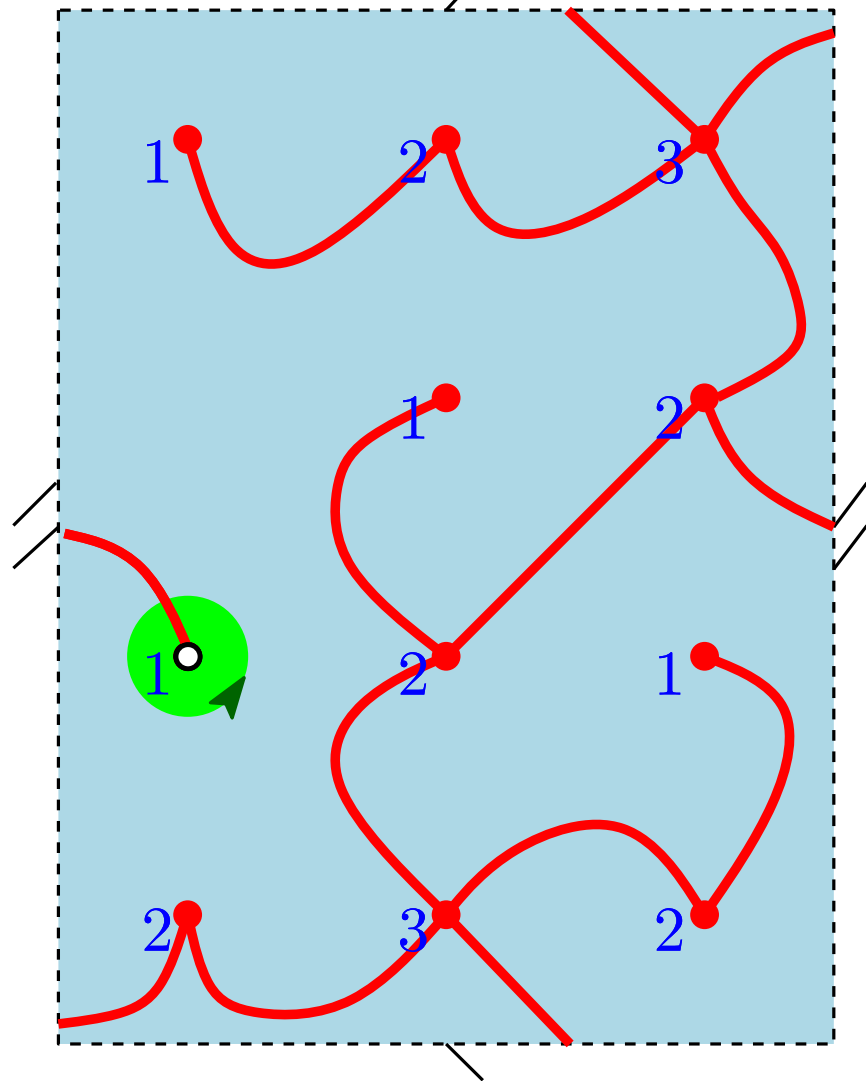
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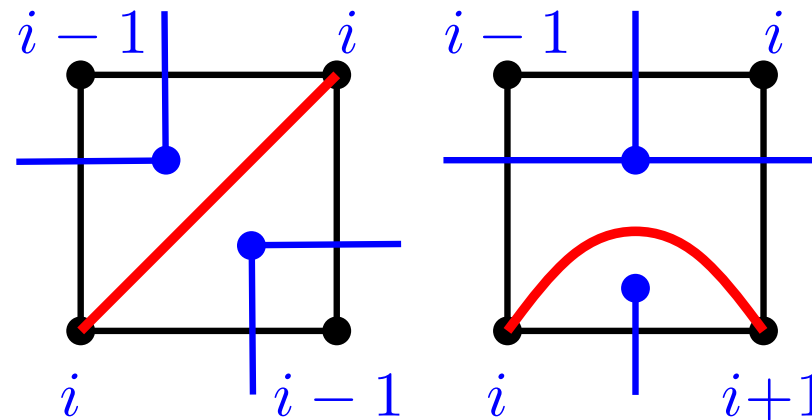
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Our main theorem allows us to recover Bender and Canfield results (that was already recovered using combinatorial methods in the orientable case [Chapuy, Marcus, Schaeffer 2009]). In particular we can give some explicit (but very complicated) formula for the constant $c(\mathbb{S})$.

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Theorem [Chapuy, D. 2015]

Let q_n be uniformly distributed over the set of rooted, bipartite quadrangulations with n faces on \mathbb{S} , let v_0 be a root vertex of q_n and let v_* be uniformly chosen vertex of q_n . Then, there exists a continuous, stochastic process $L^{\mathbb{S}} = (L_t^{\mathbb{S}}, 0 \leq t \leq 1)$ such that:

- $\left(\frac{9}{8n}\right)^{1/4} R(q_n, v_*) \rightarrow \sup L^{\mathbb{S}} - \inf L^{\mathbb{S}};$
- $\left(\frac{9}{8n}\right)^{1/4} d_{q_n}(v_0, v_*) \rightarrow \sup L^{\mathbb{S}};$
- $\frac{I_{(q_n, v_*)}((8n/9)^{1/4})}{n+2-2h} \rightarrow \mathcal{I}^{\mathbb{S}},$

where $\mathcal{I}^{\mathbb{S}}$ is defined as follows: for every non-negative, measurable

$$g : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+,$$

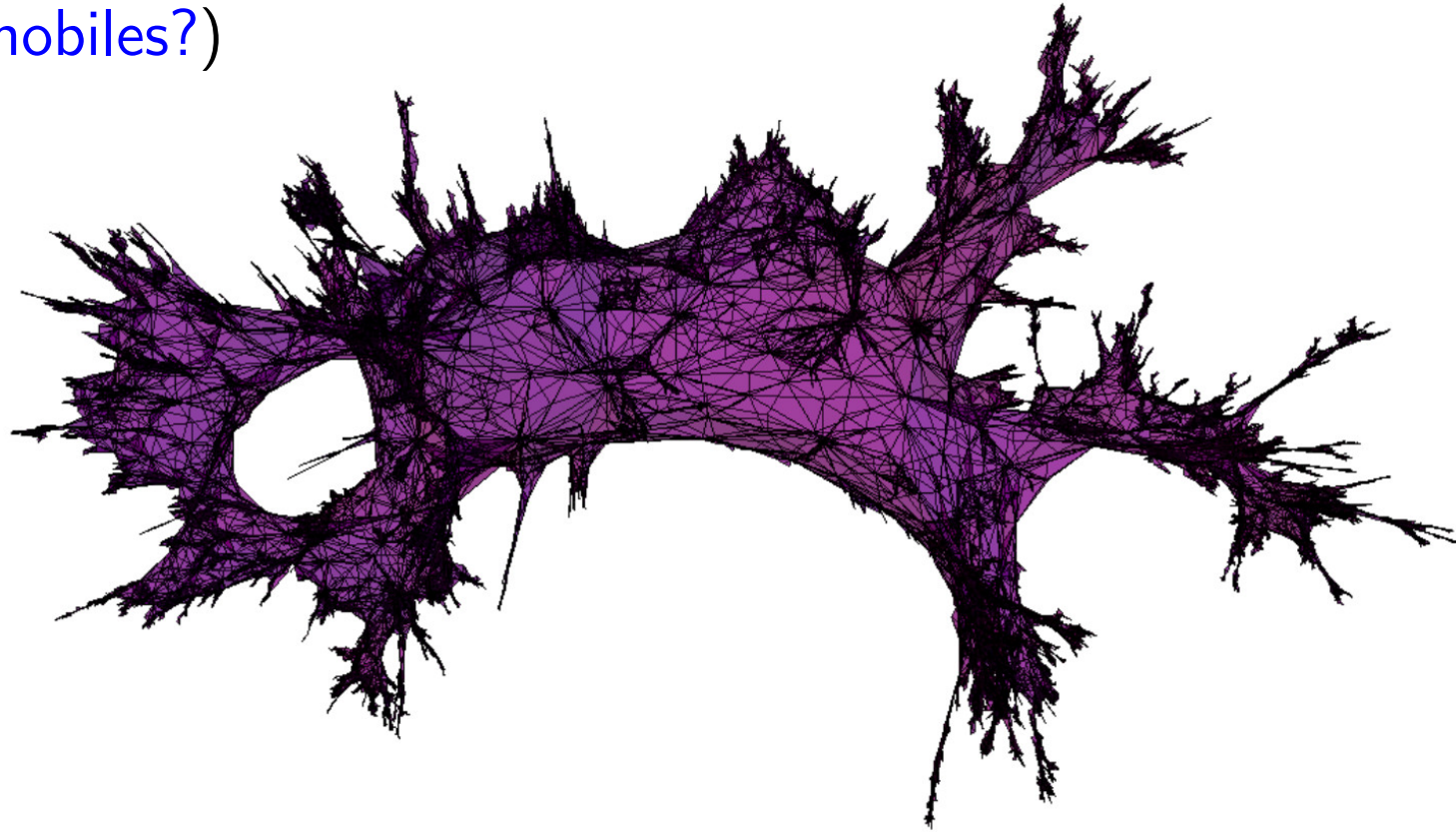
$$\langle \mathcal{I}^{\mathbb{S}}, g \rangle = \int_0^1 dt g(L_t^{\mathbb{S}} - \inf L^{\mathbb{S}}).$$

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- Studying random maps on [ANY](#) surface in Gromov-Hausdorff topology (using our bijection and already established methods we (Bettinelli, Chapuy, D.) can prove a convergence of bipartite quadrangulations up to extraction of [SUBSEQUENCE](#) - what about full convergence?).

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