

Metric reconstruction via optimal transport

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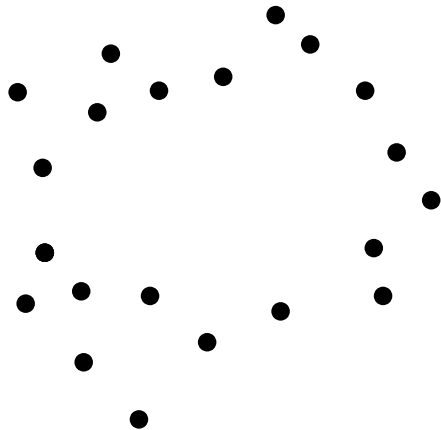
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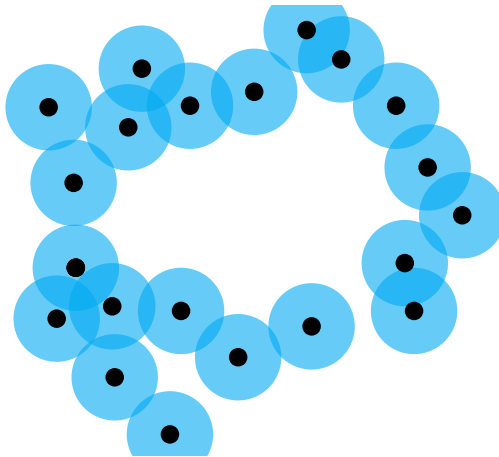


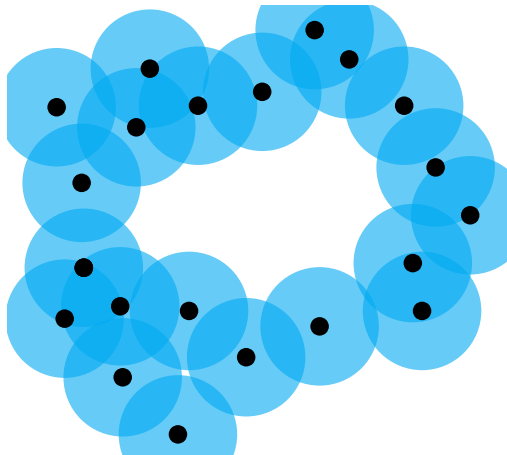
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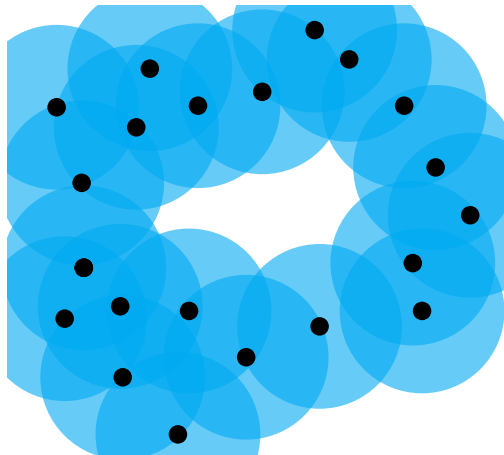
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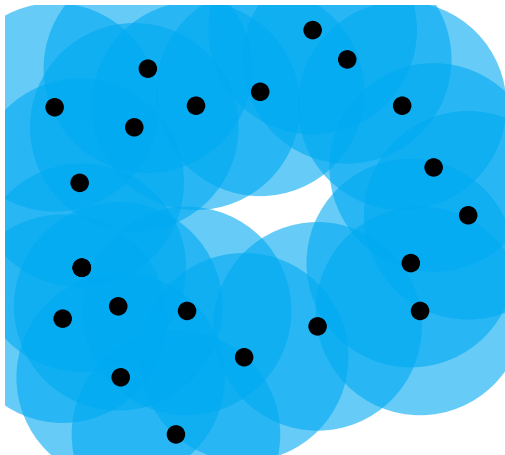
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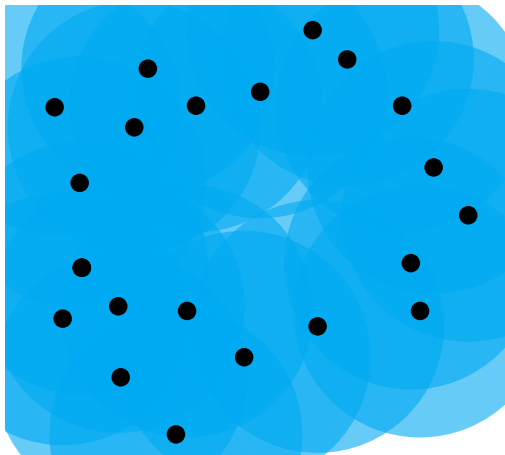


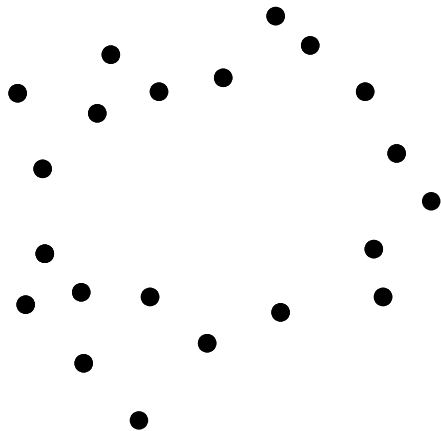








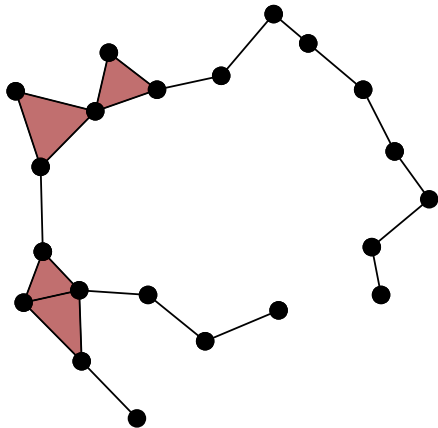




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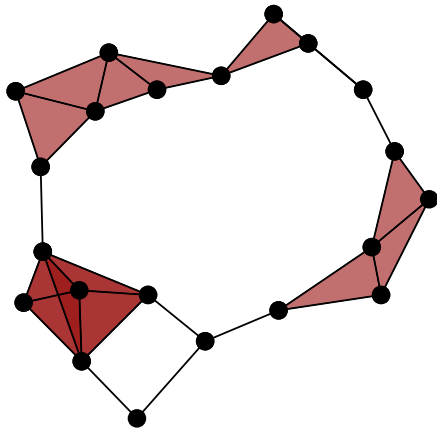
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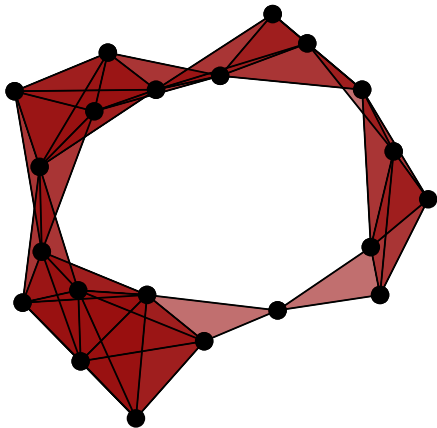
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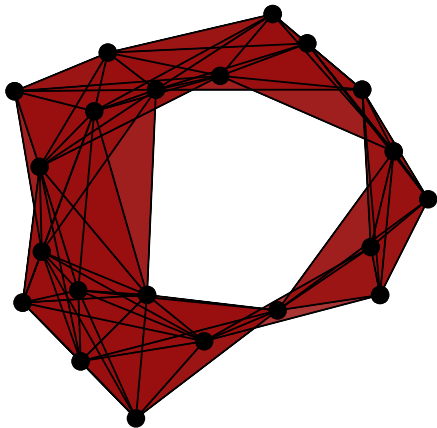
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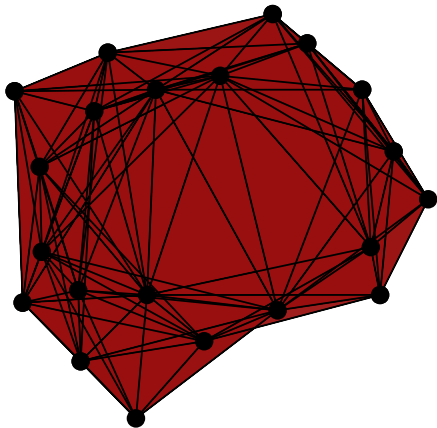
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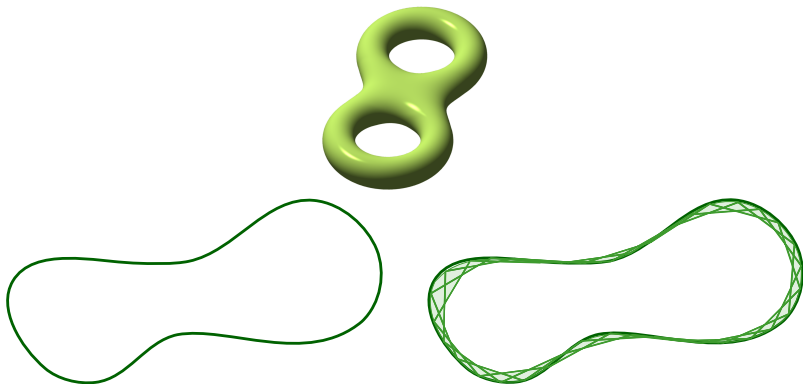
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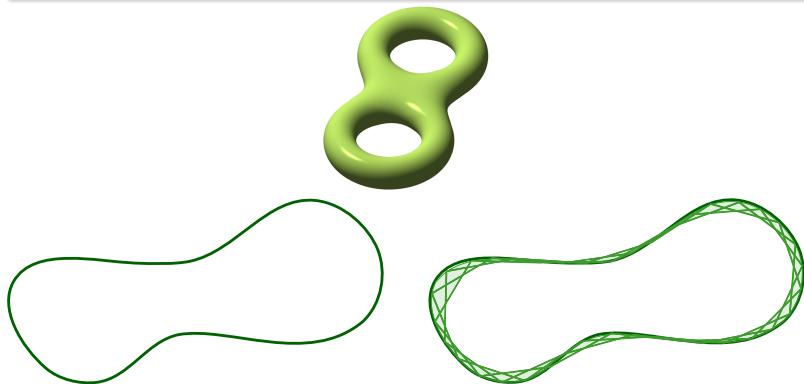


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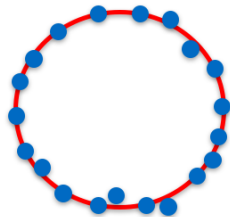
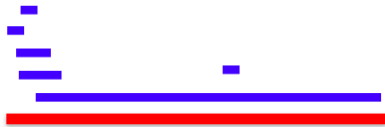
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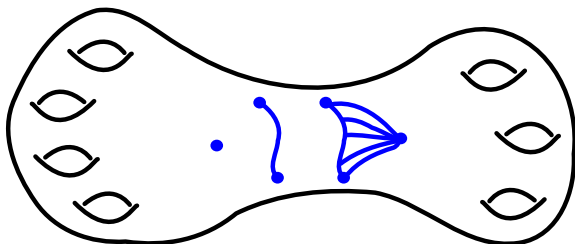


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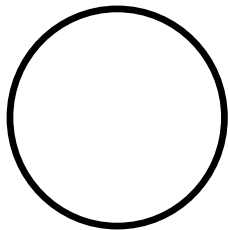
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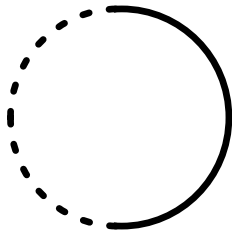
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Metric space M



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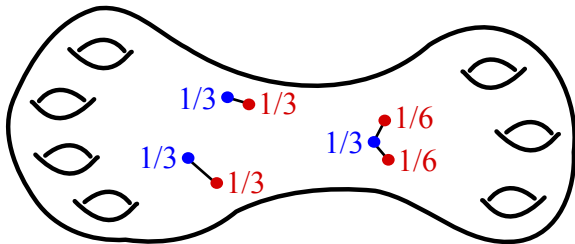
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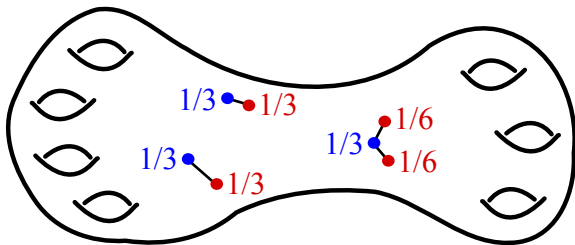
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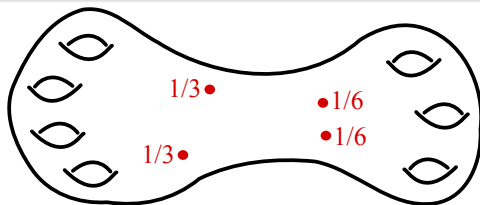


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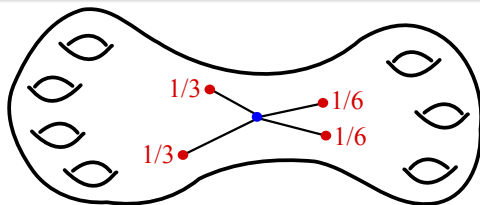
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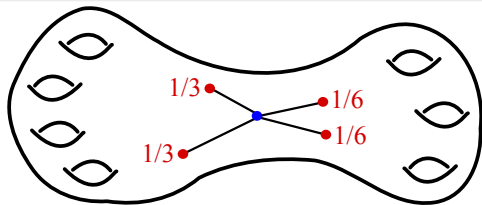
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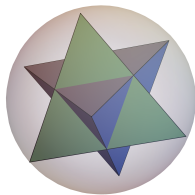


With Joshua Mirth we prove a metric Hausmann's theorem for sets in \mathbb{R}^n with positive reach (including submanifolds).

Metric thickenings, Borsuk–Ulam theorems, and orbitopes

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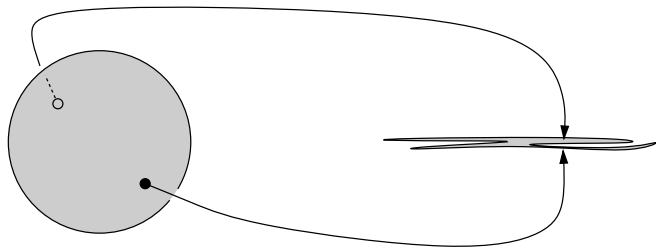
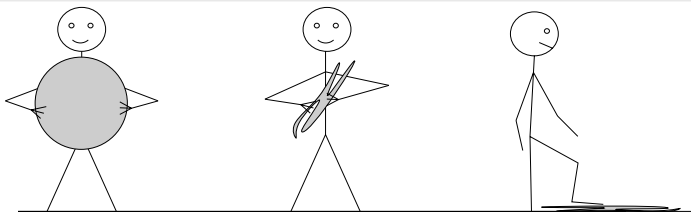


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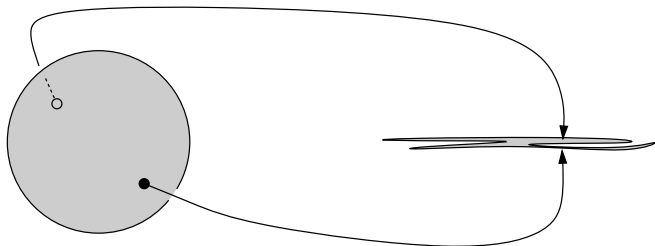


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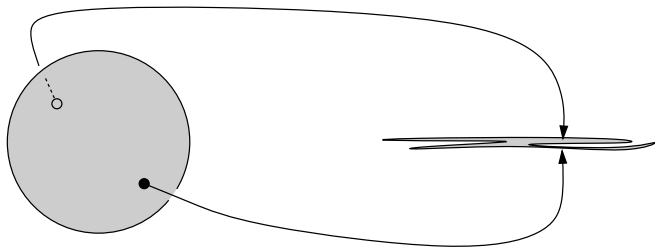


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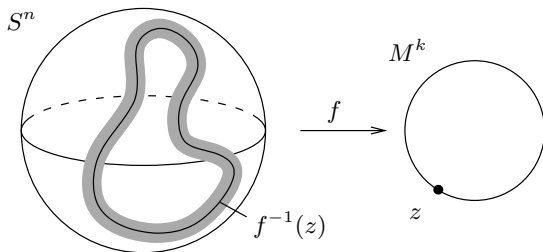


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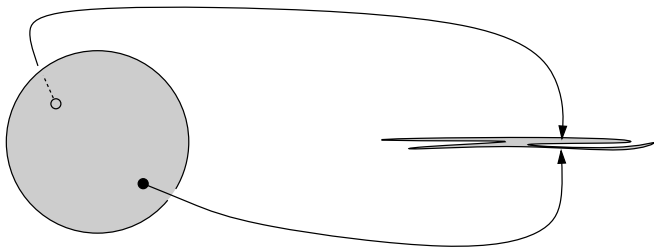
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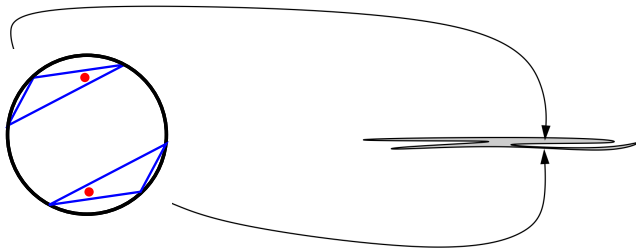
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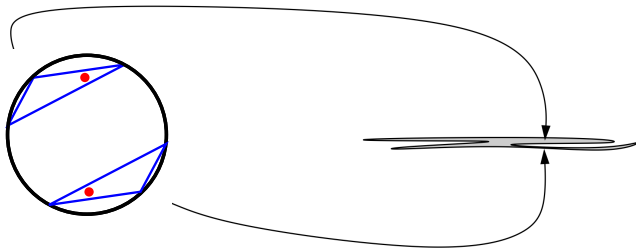


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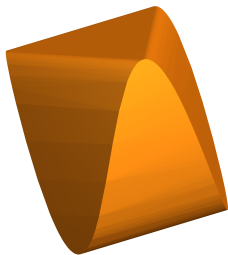


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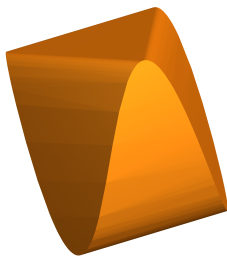
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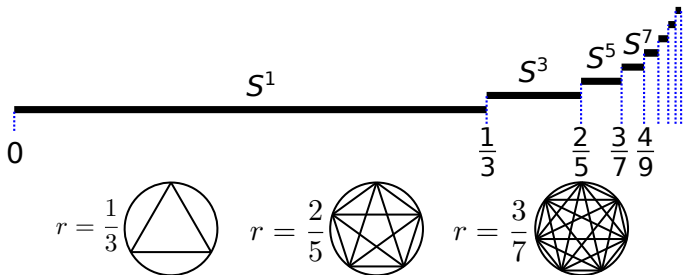
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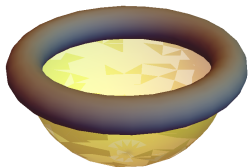
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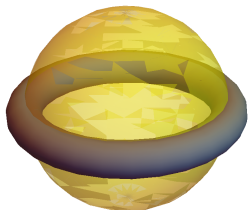
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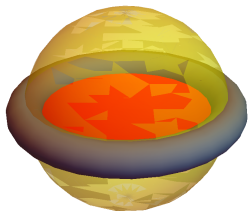
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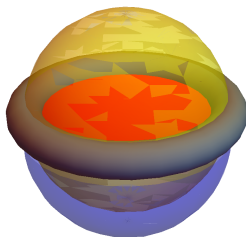
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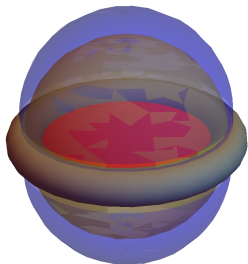
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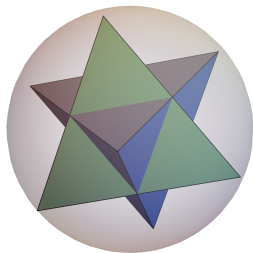
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Proof: $S^{n+2} \supseteq \text{VR}^m(S^n; r_n) \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}^{n+2}$



r_n is the side-length of an inscribed simplex

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Thank you!