

A combinatorial point of view of some dynamic problems.

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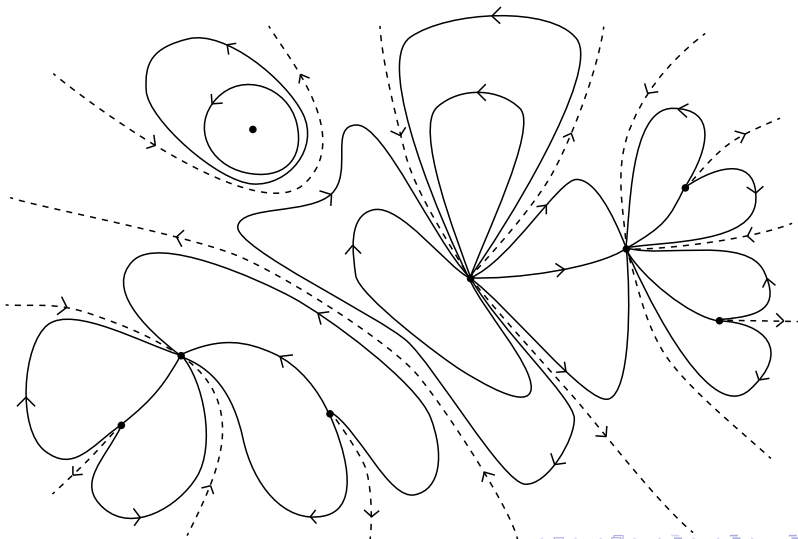
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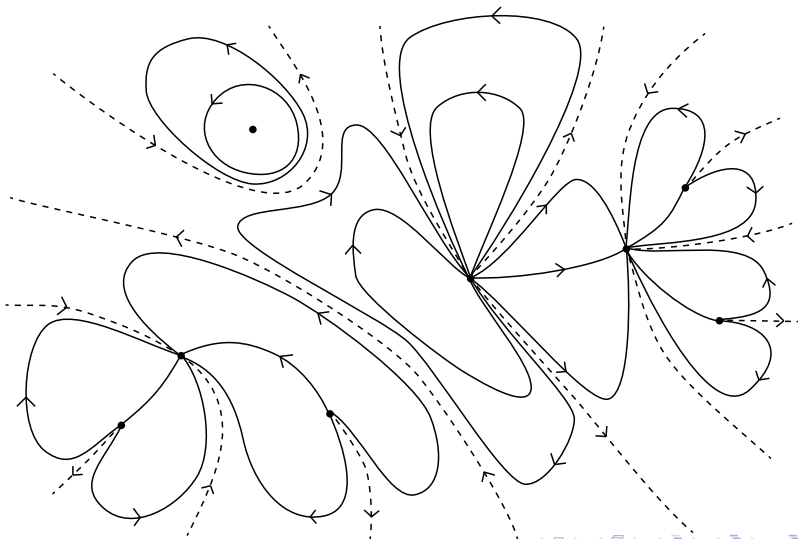
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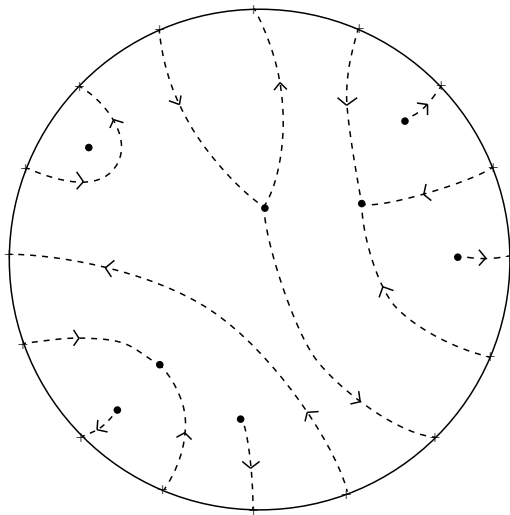
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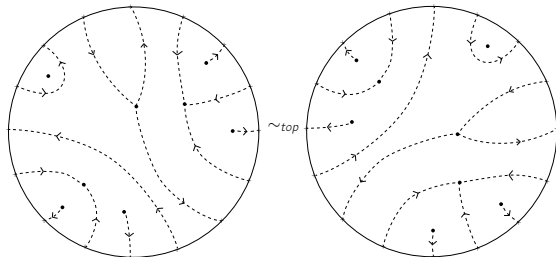
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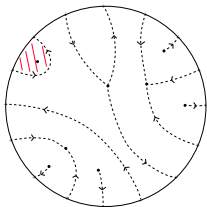
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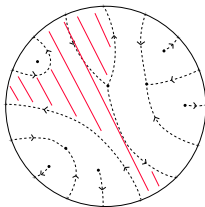
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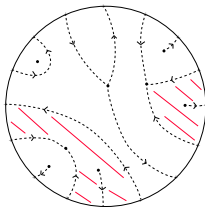
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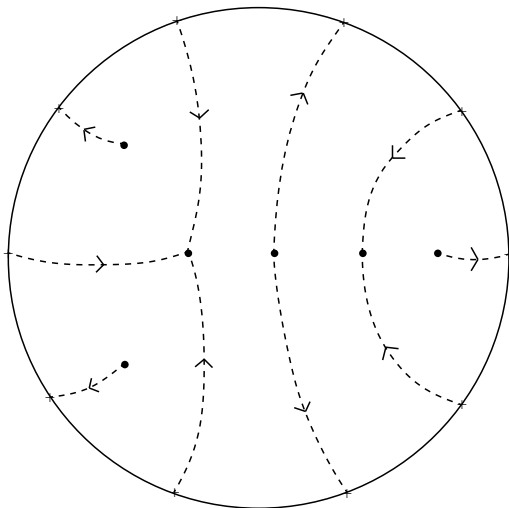
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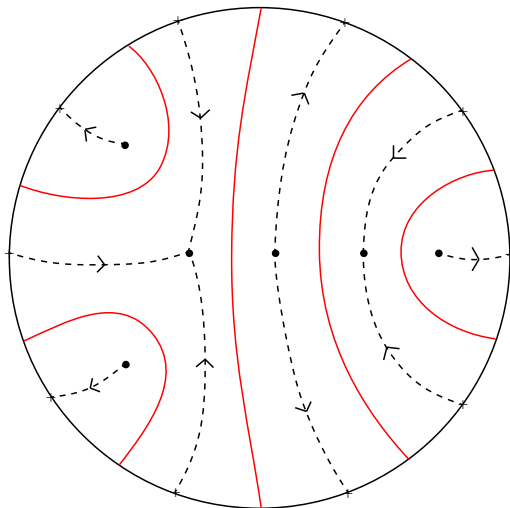
Second Modelisation

The transversal graph Σ_P .

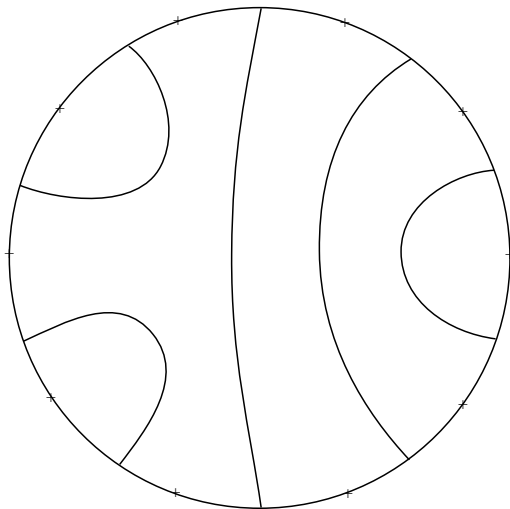
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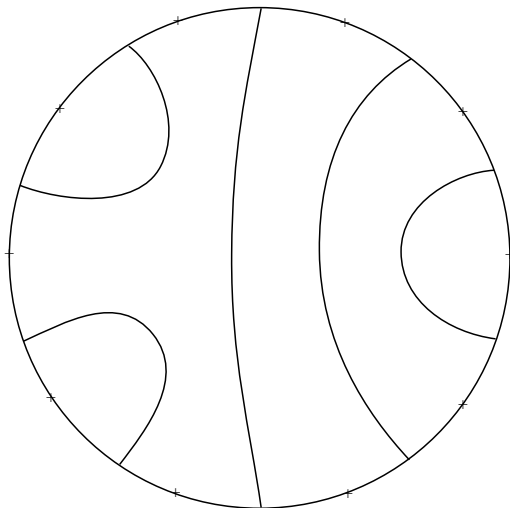
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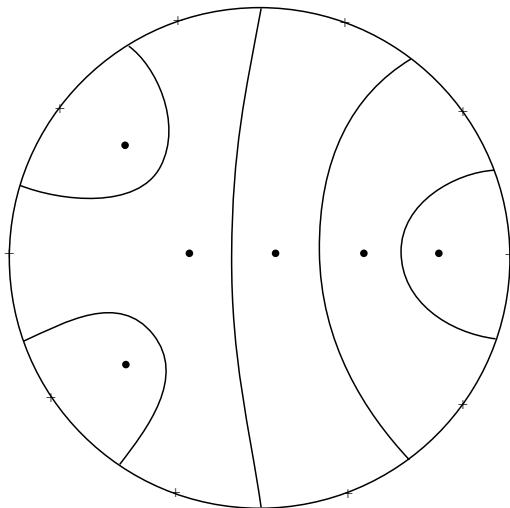
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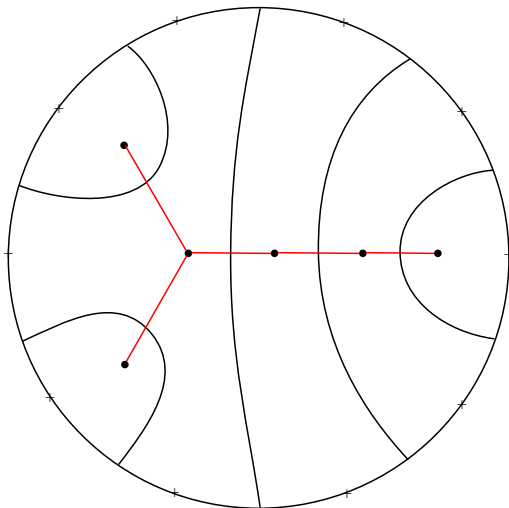
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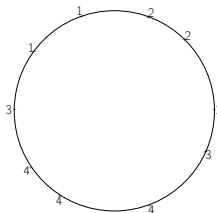
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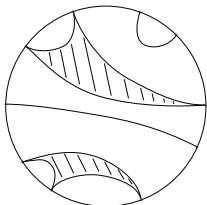
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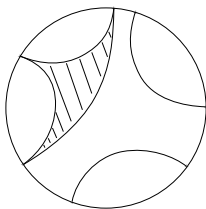
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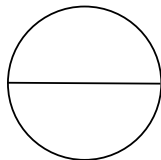
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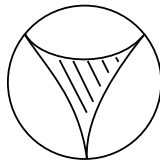
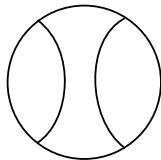


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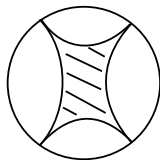
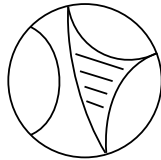
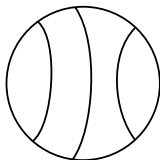
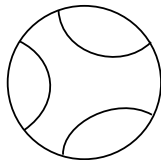
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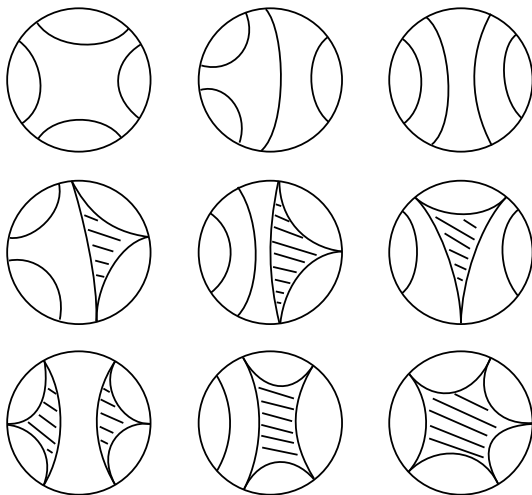


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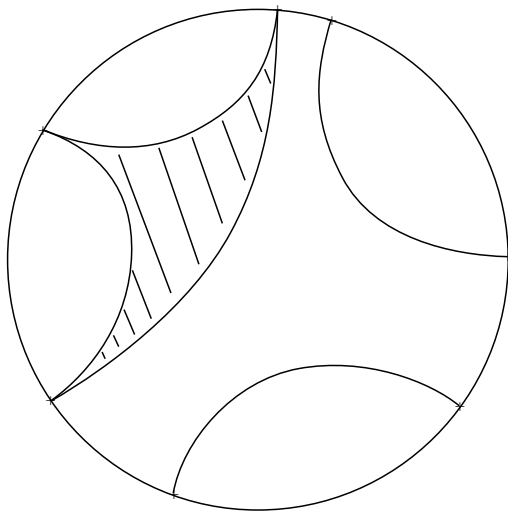


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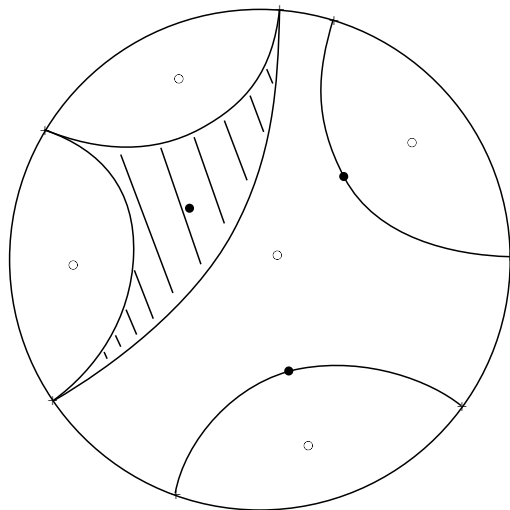
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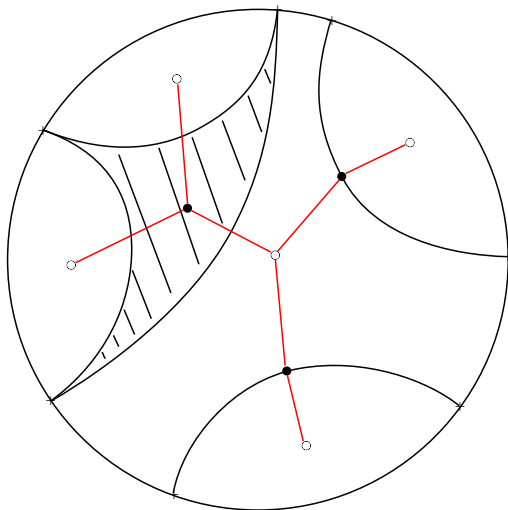
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First values

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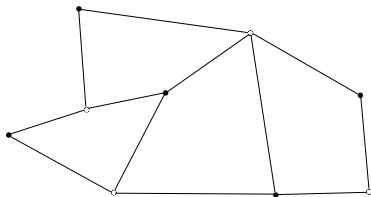
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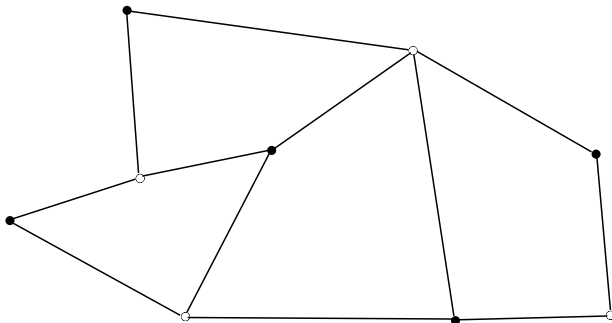
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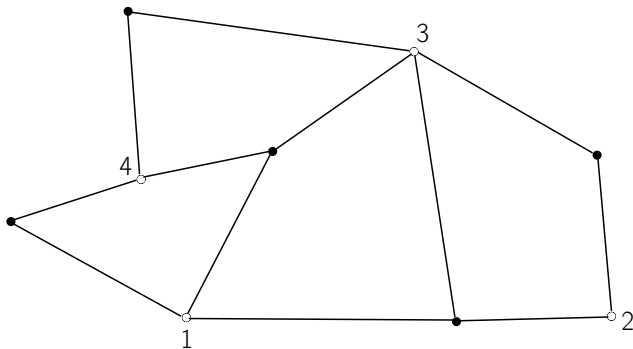
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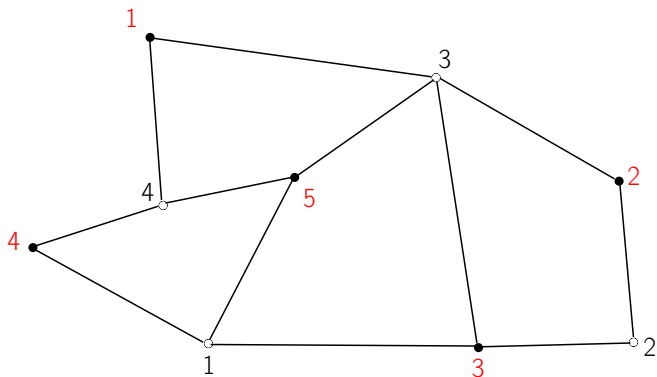
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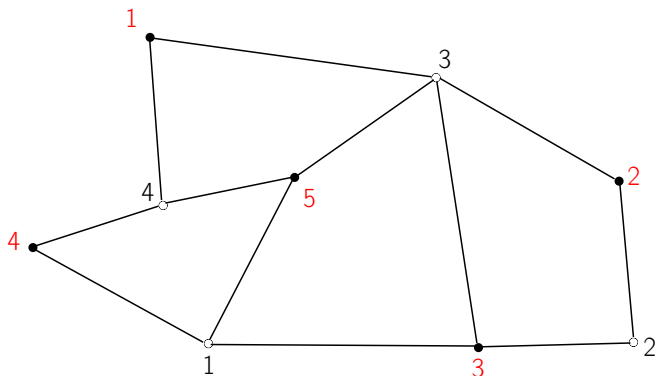
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