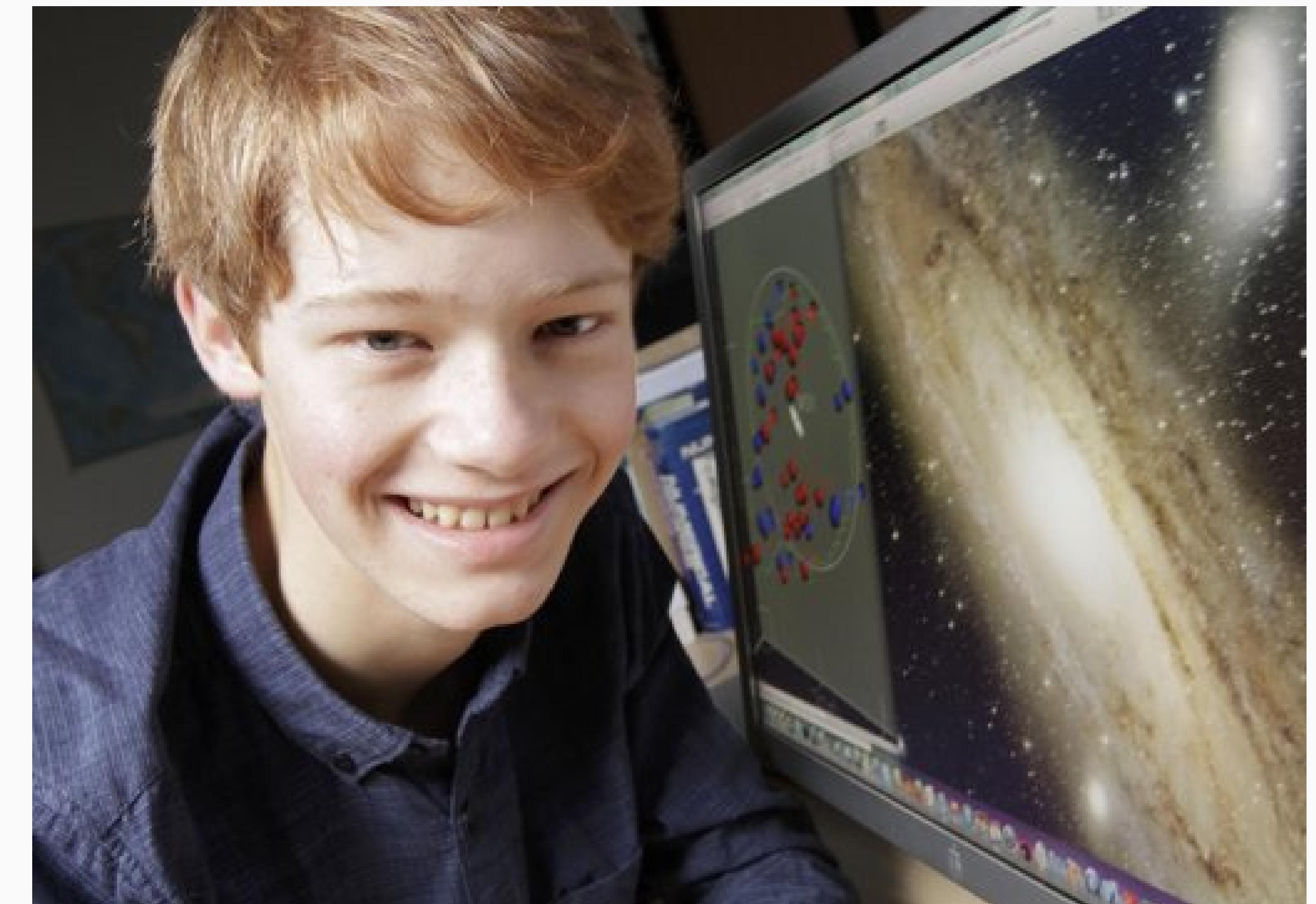
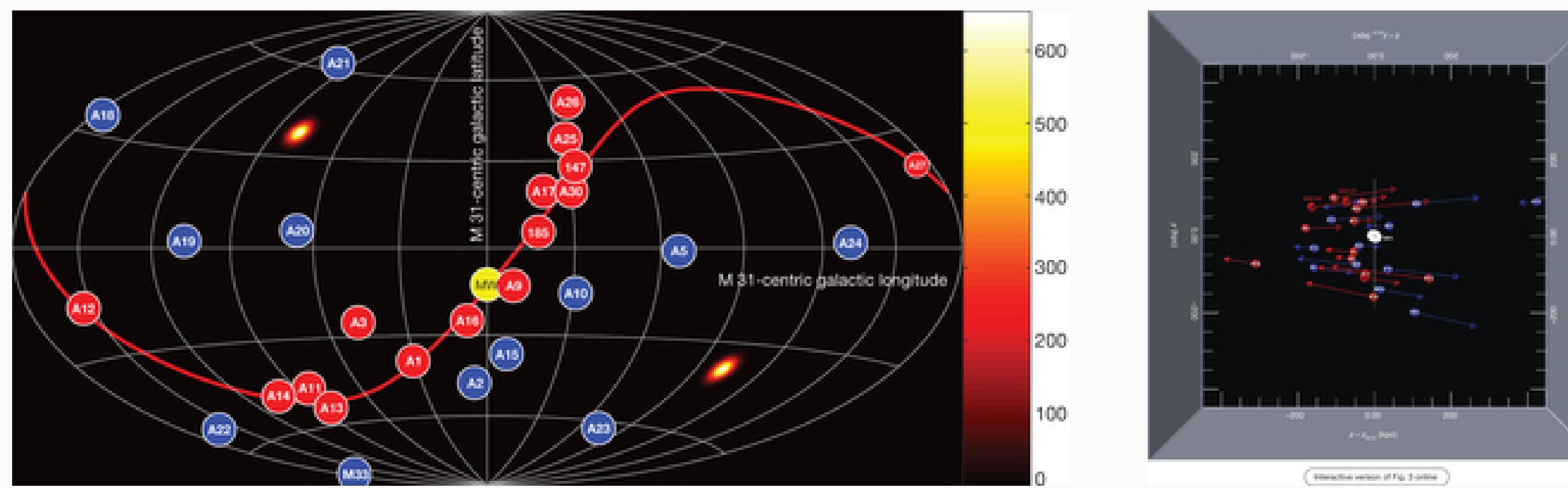
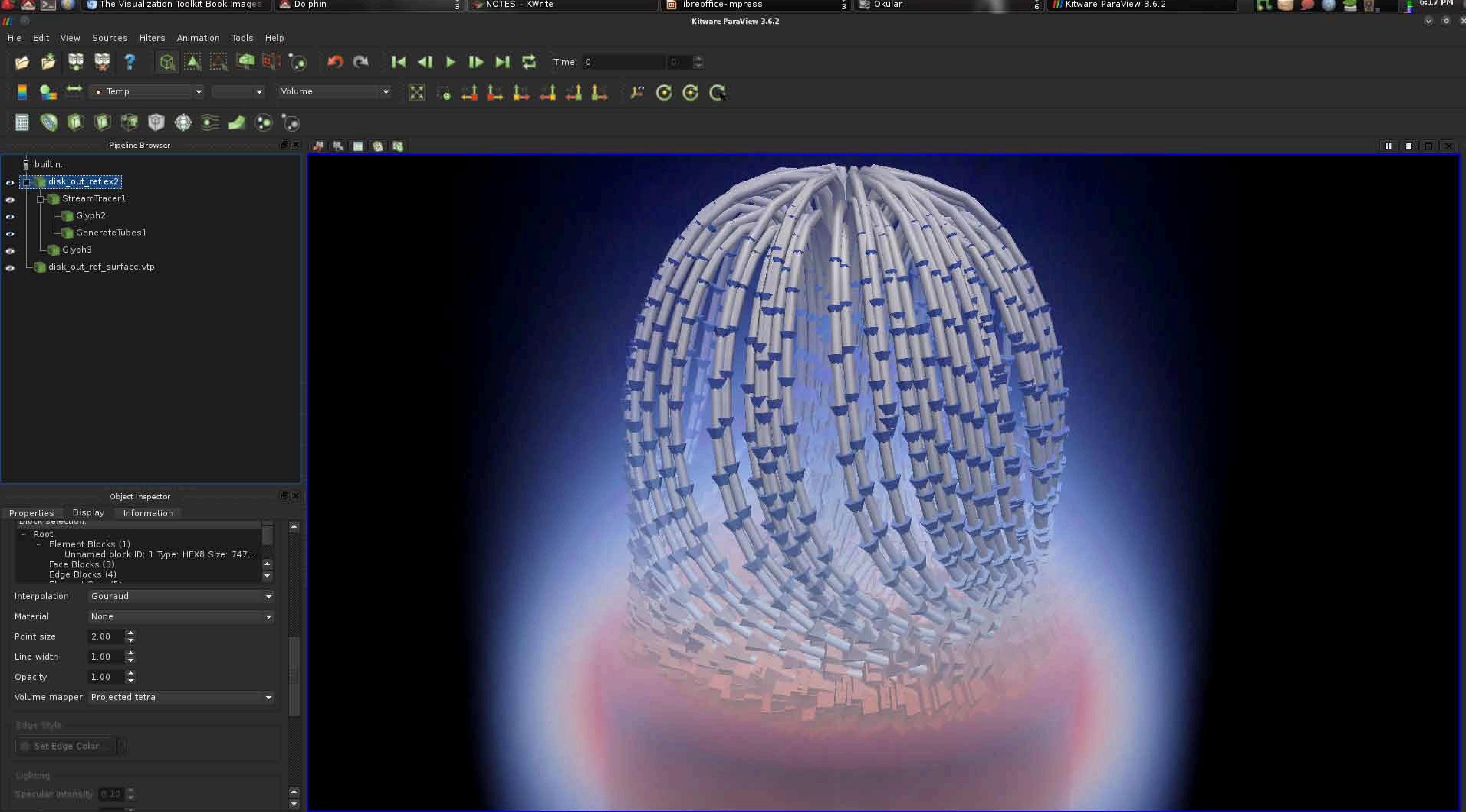


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# Visualization: what for?

- Dwarf galaxies orbiting the Andromeda Galaxy
  - *Nature*, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013



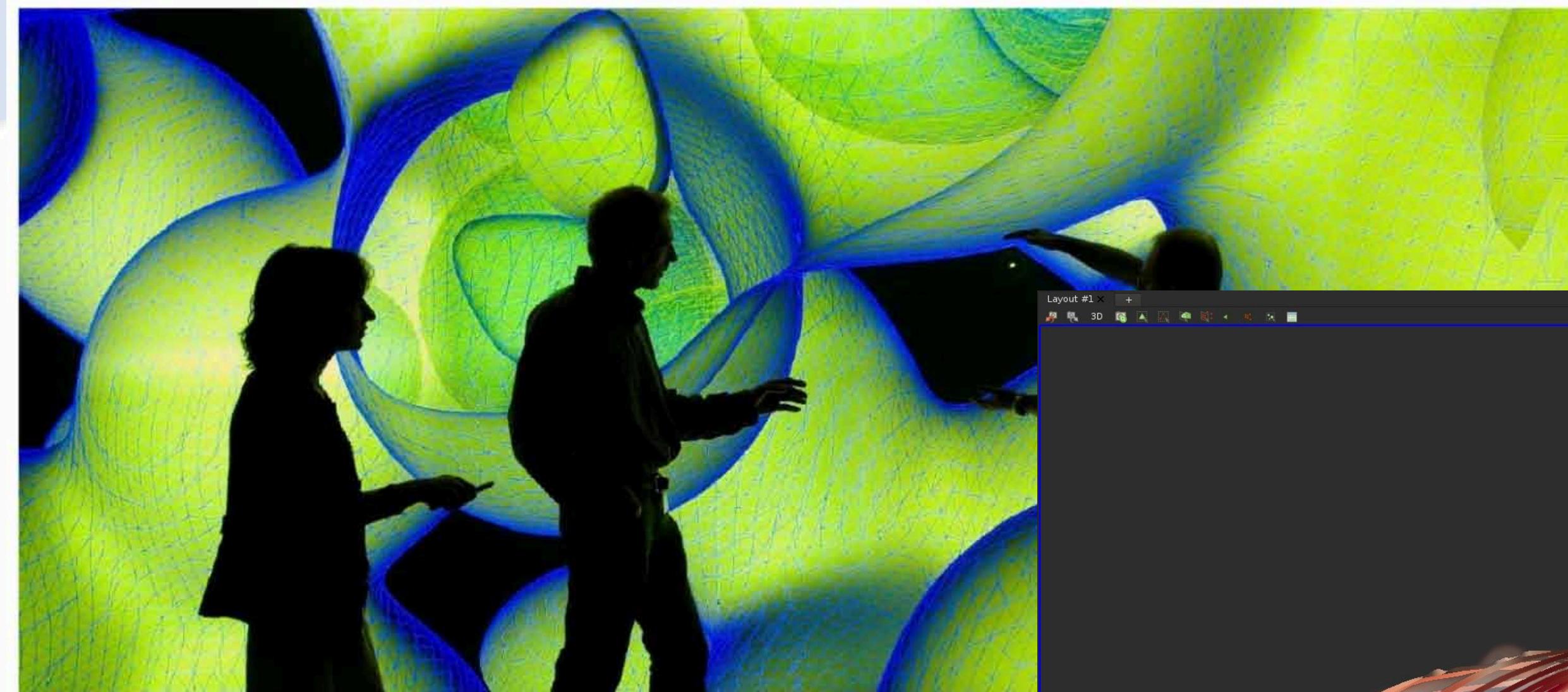




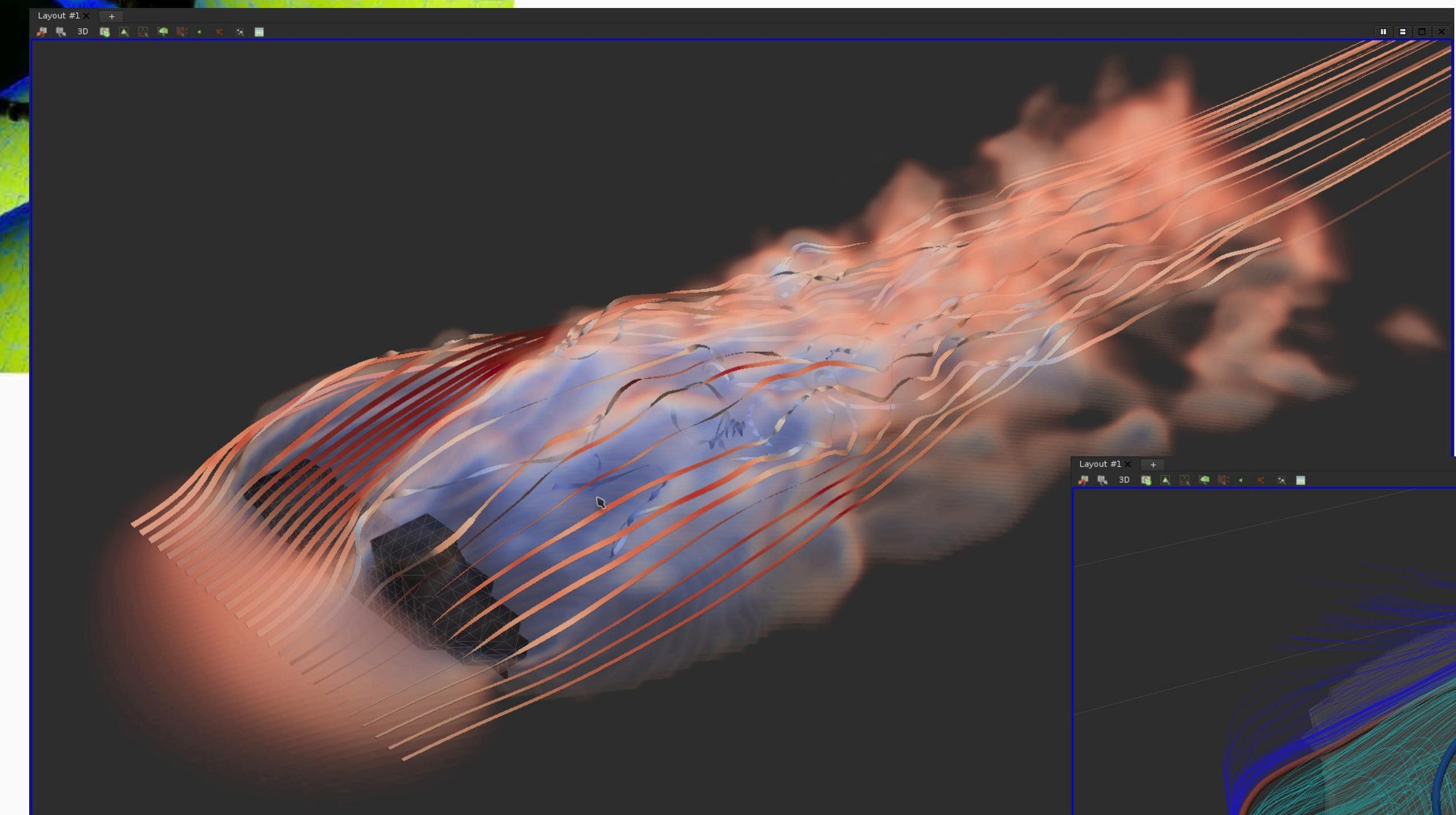
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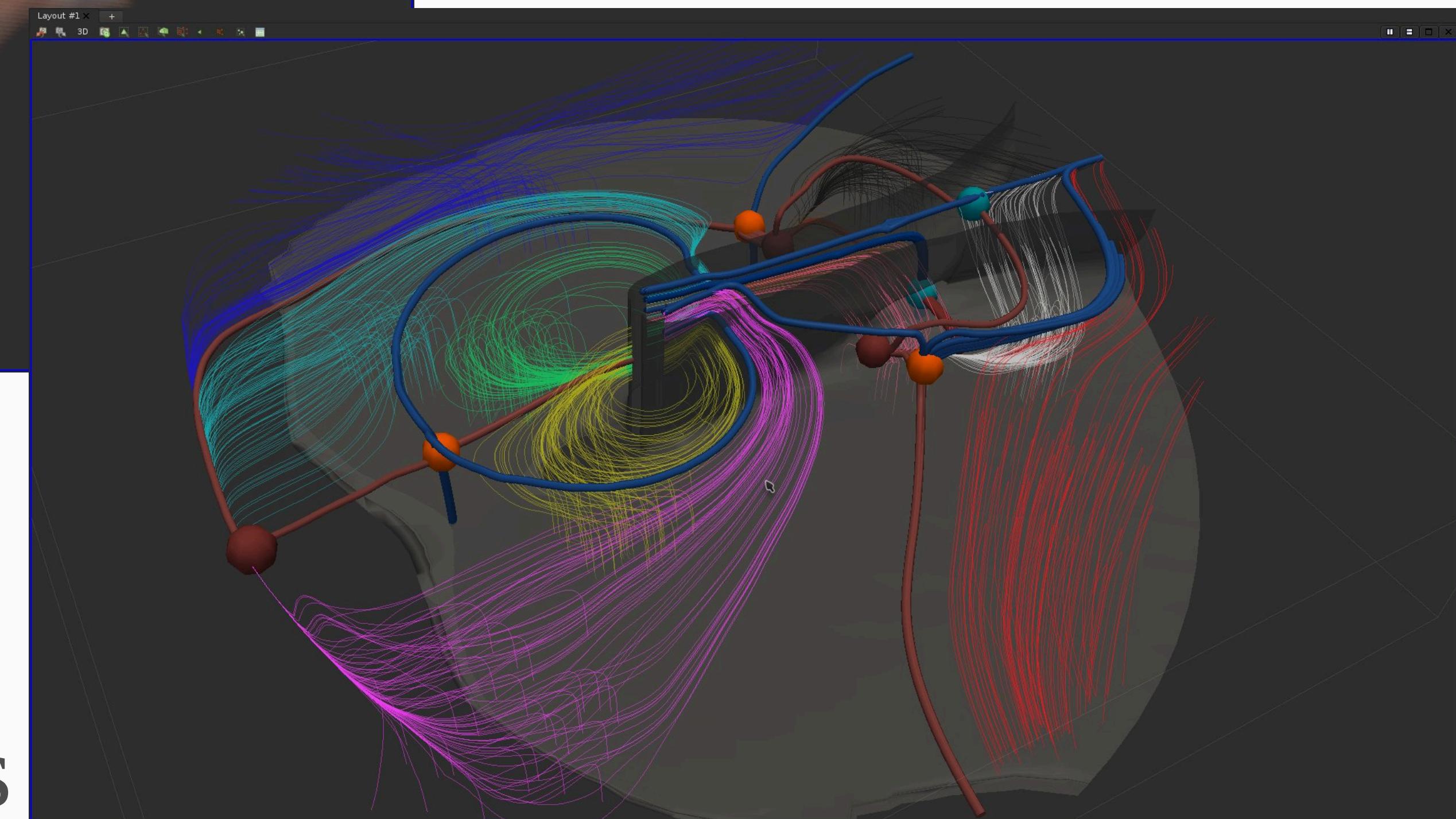
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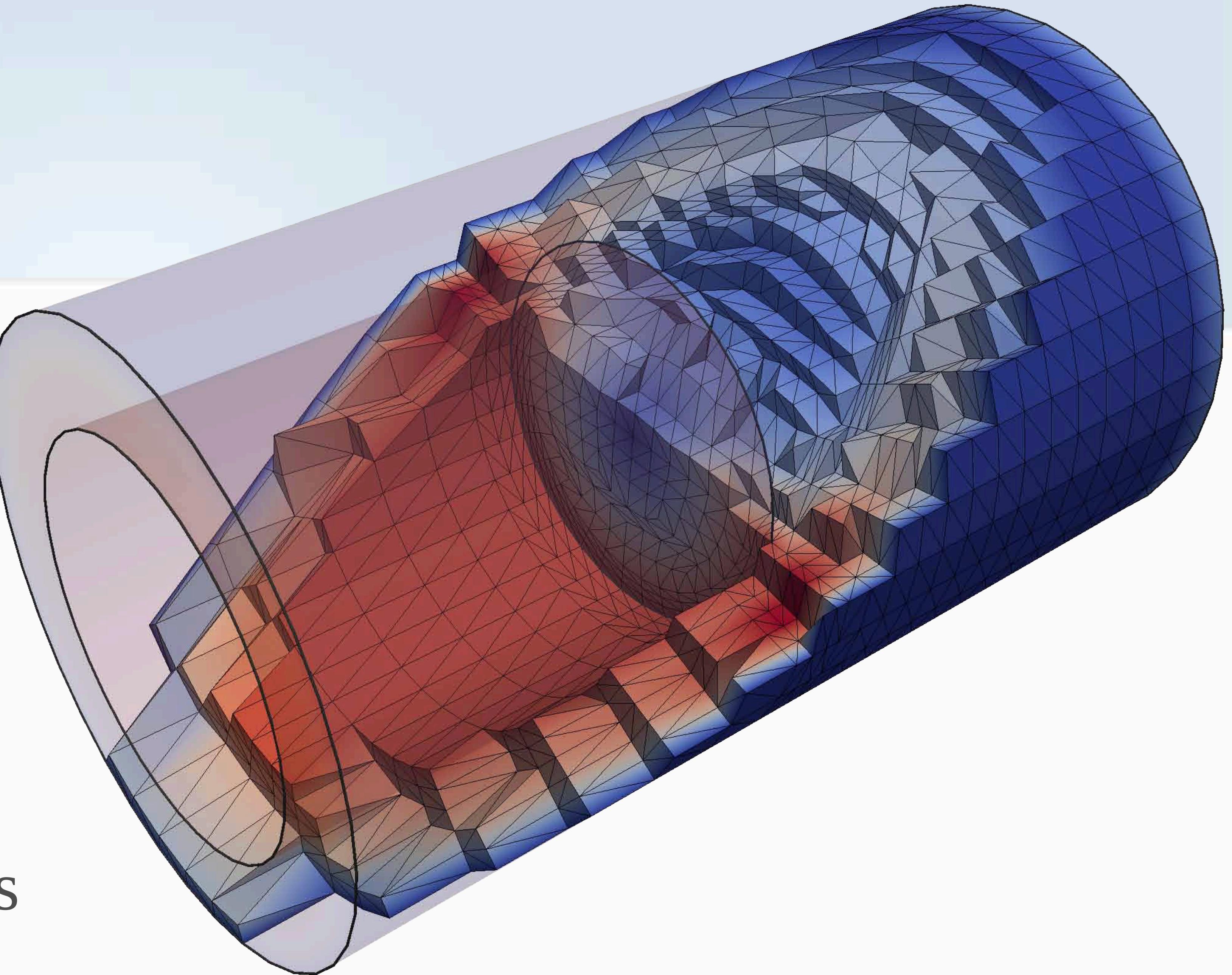
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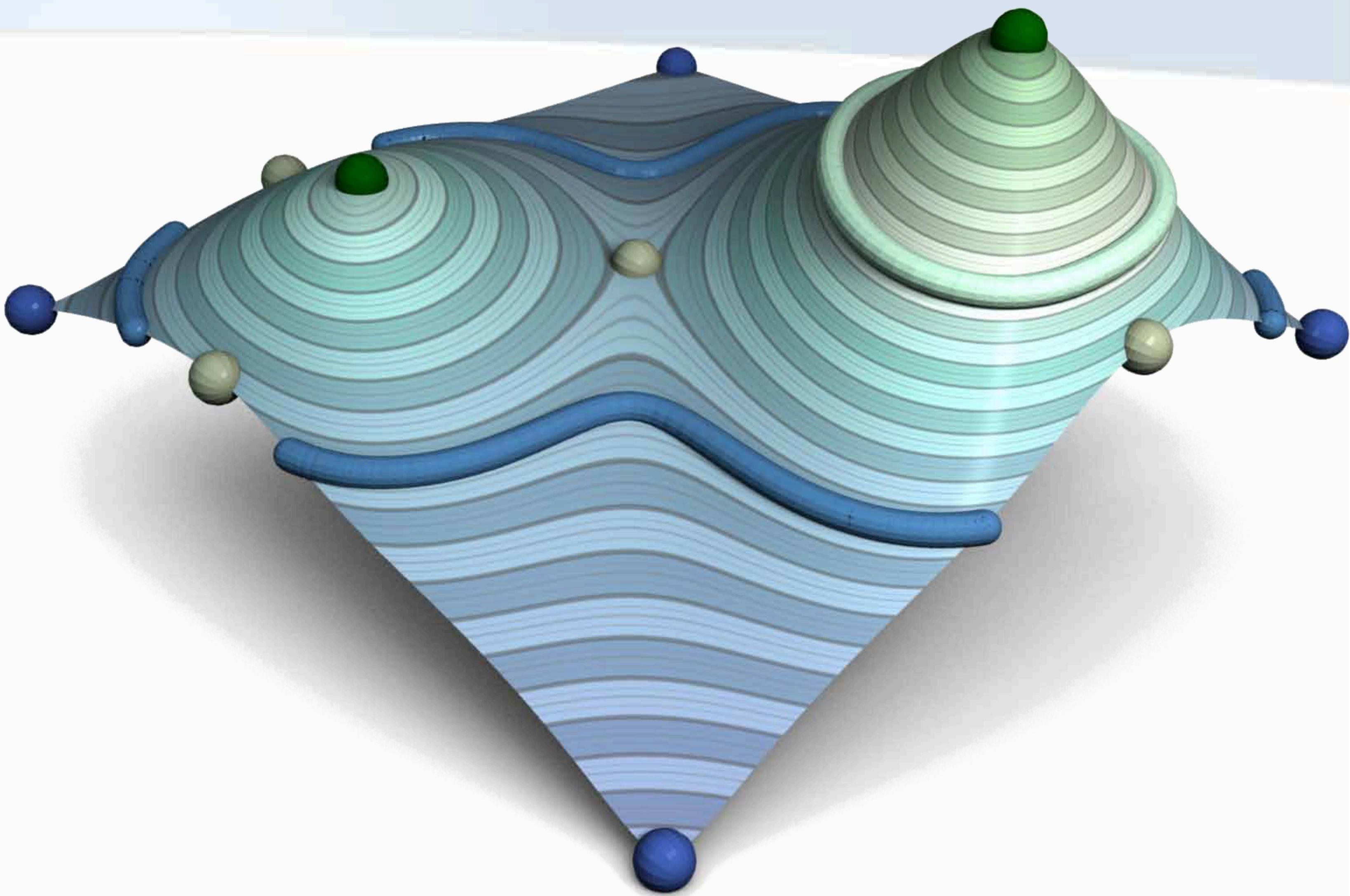
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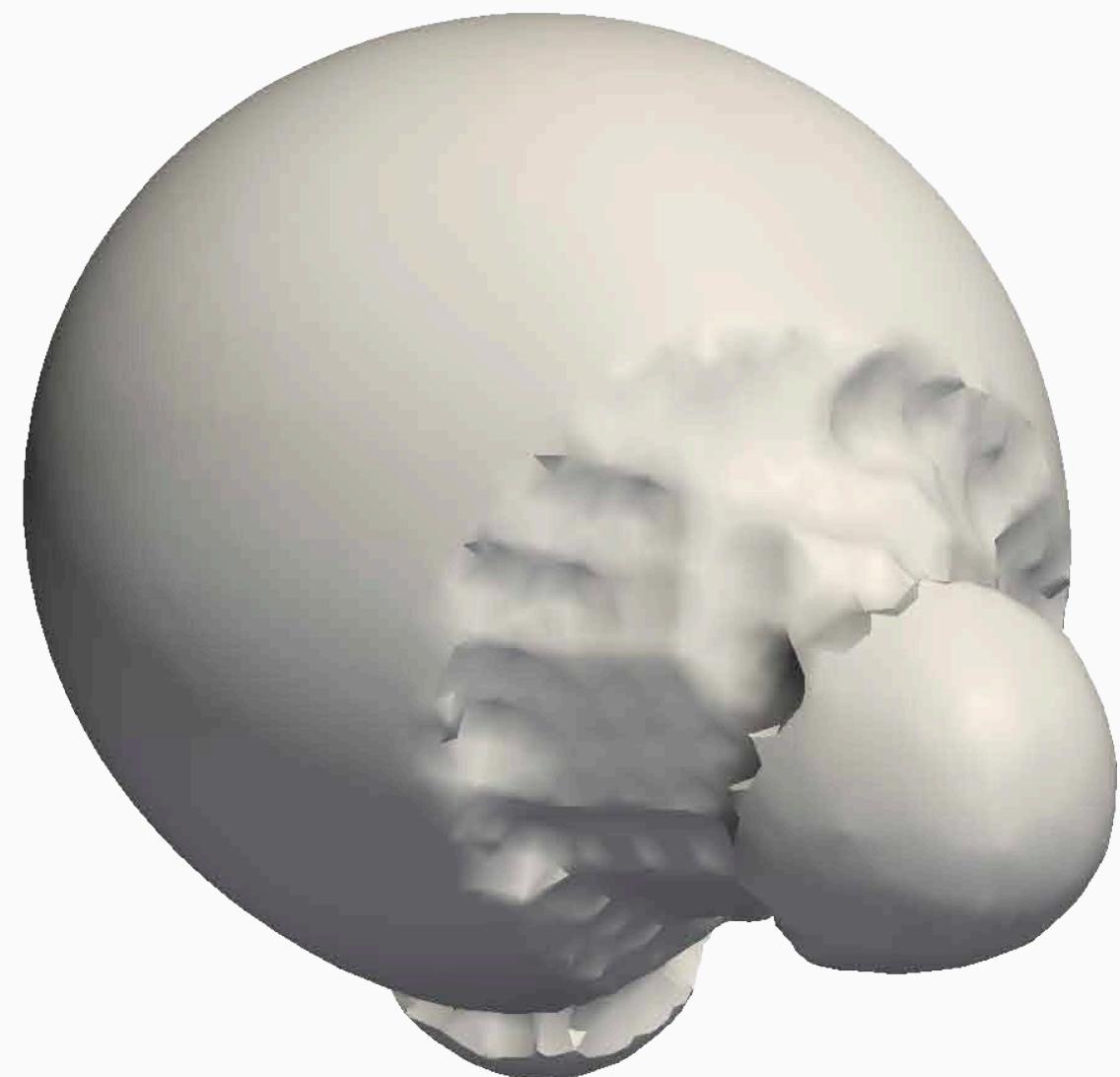
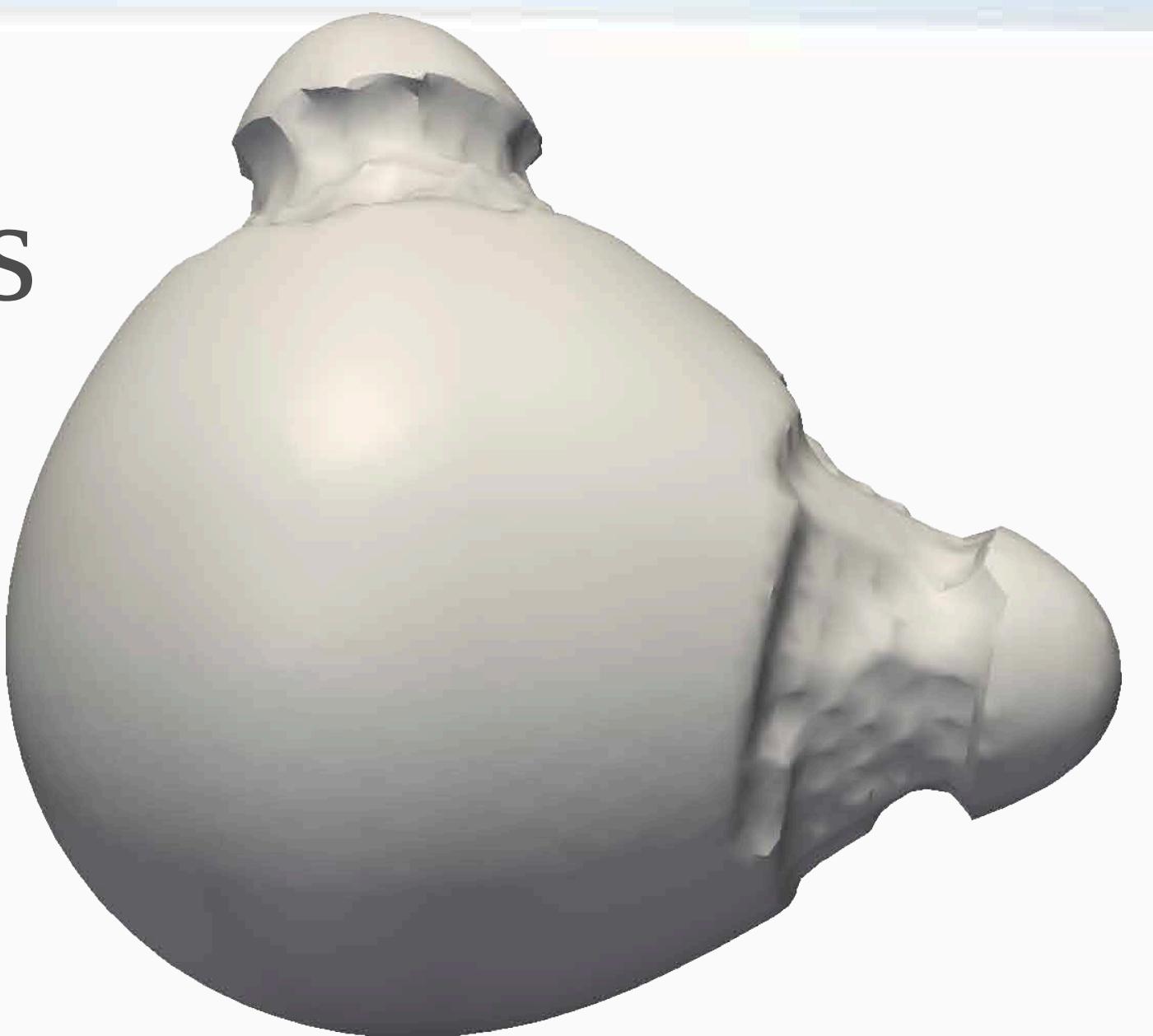
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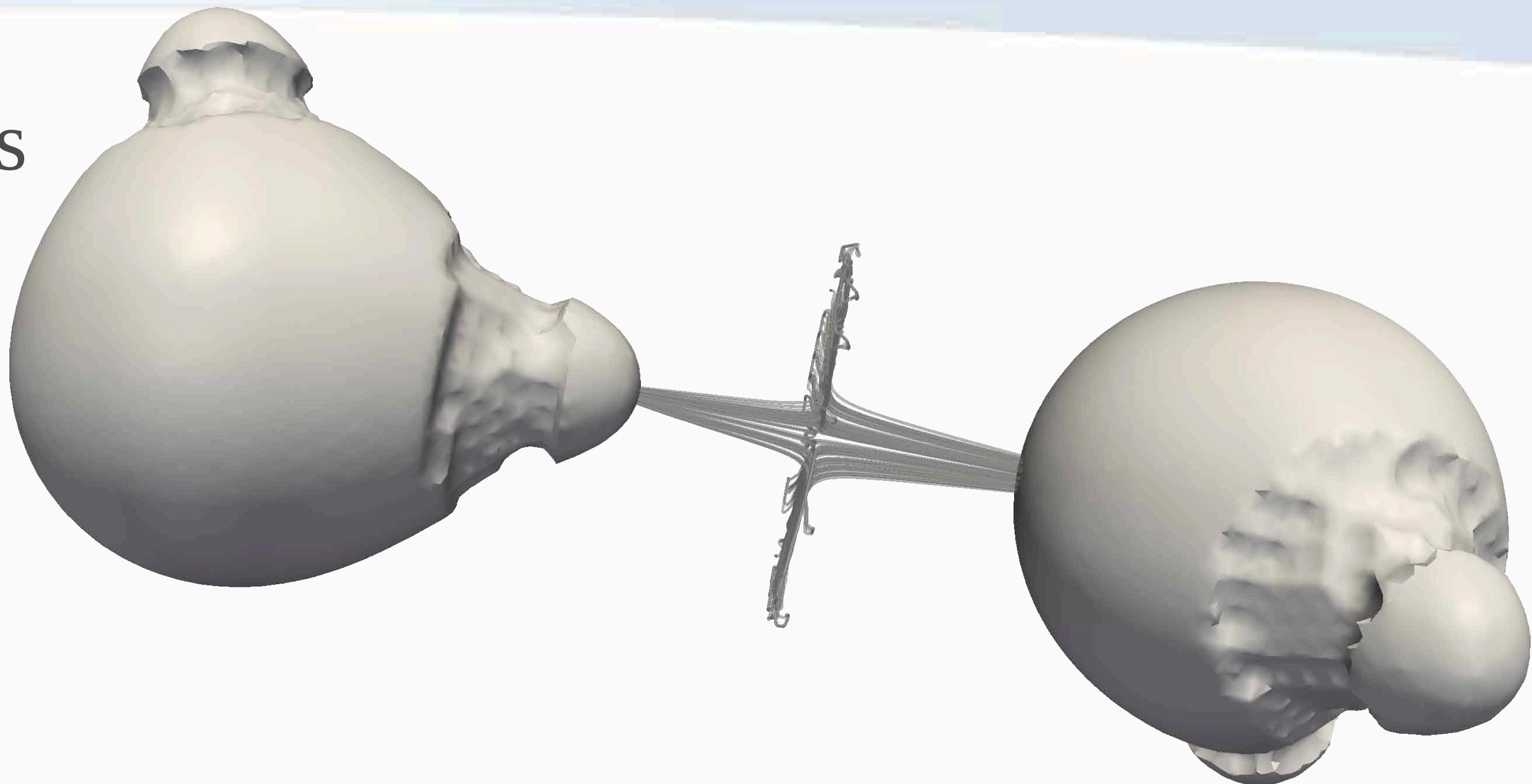
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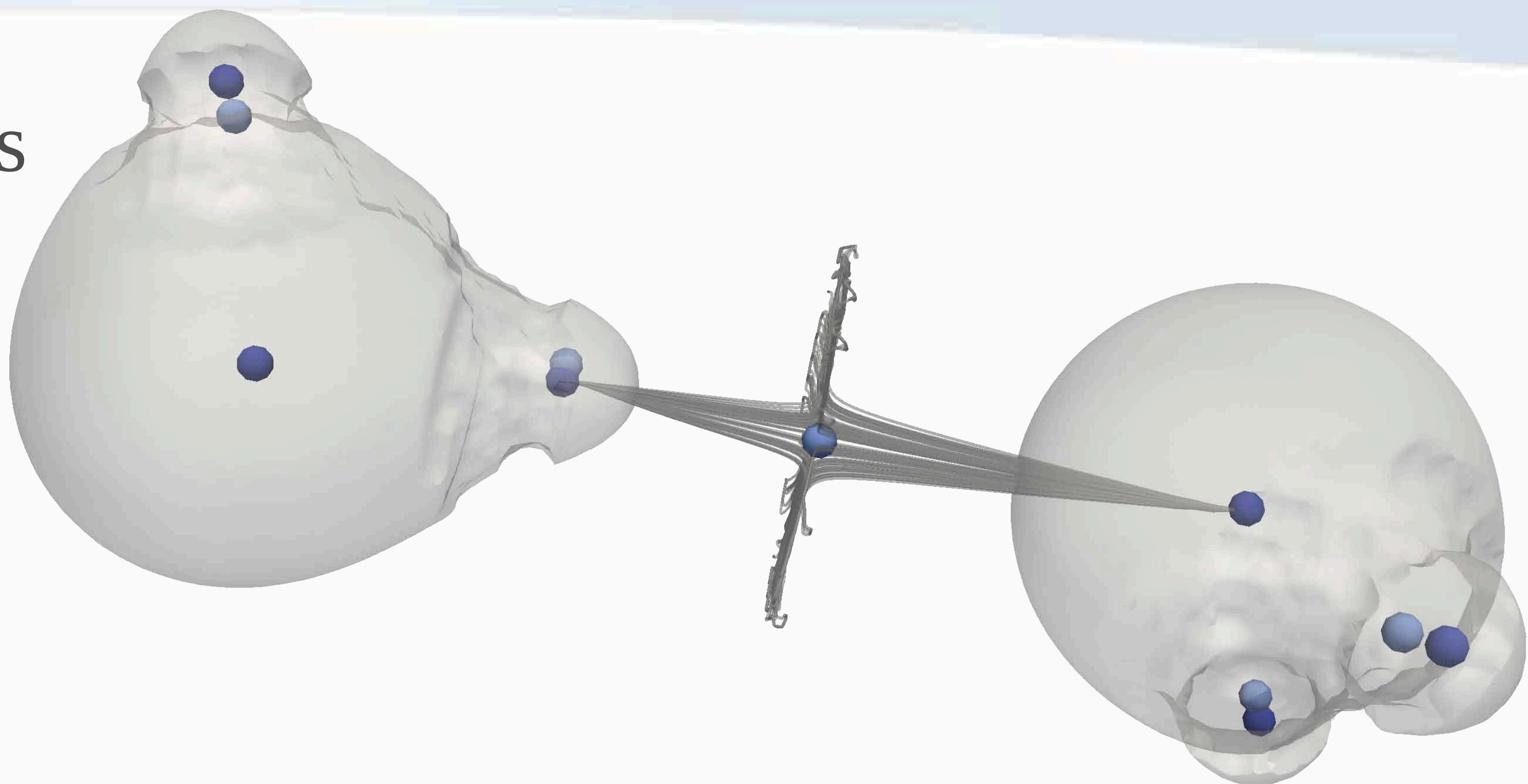
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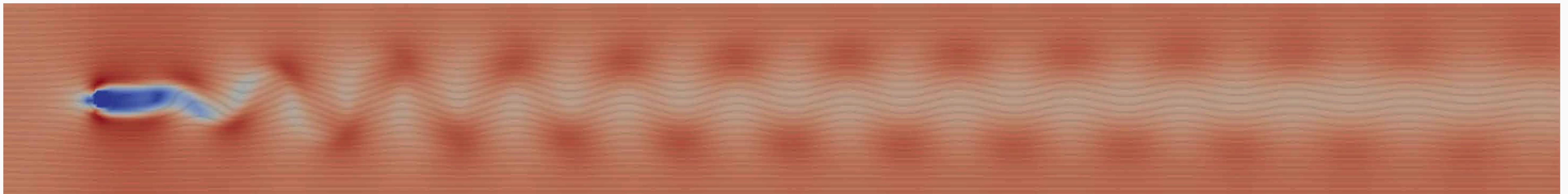
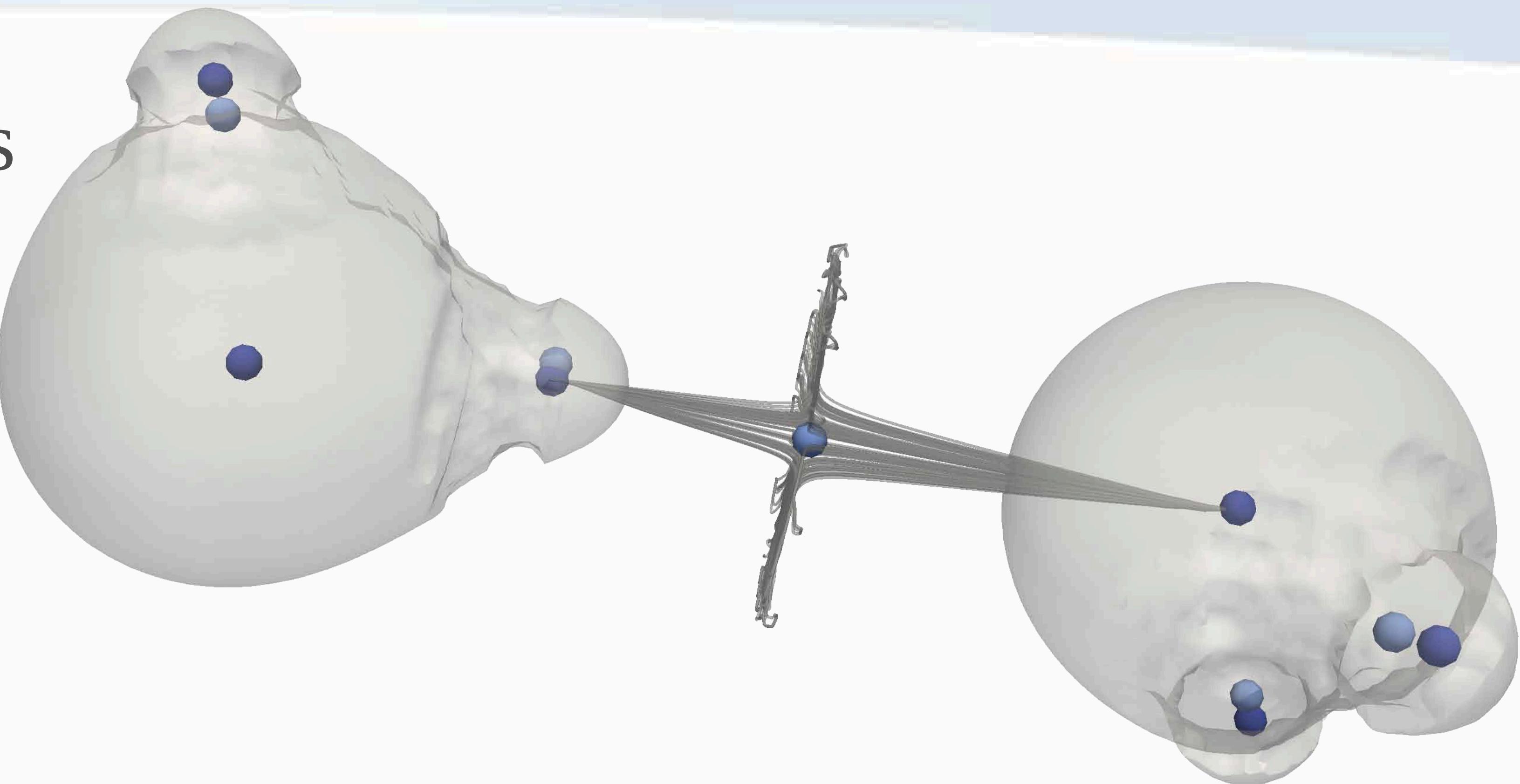
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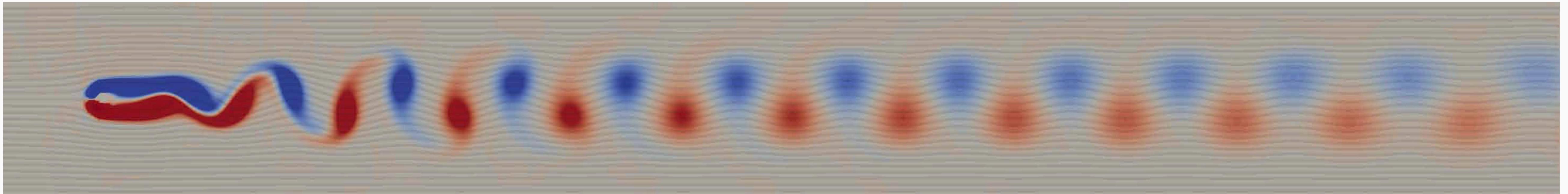
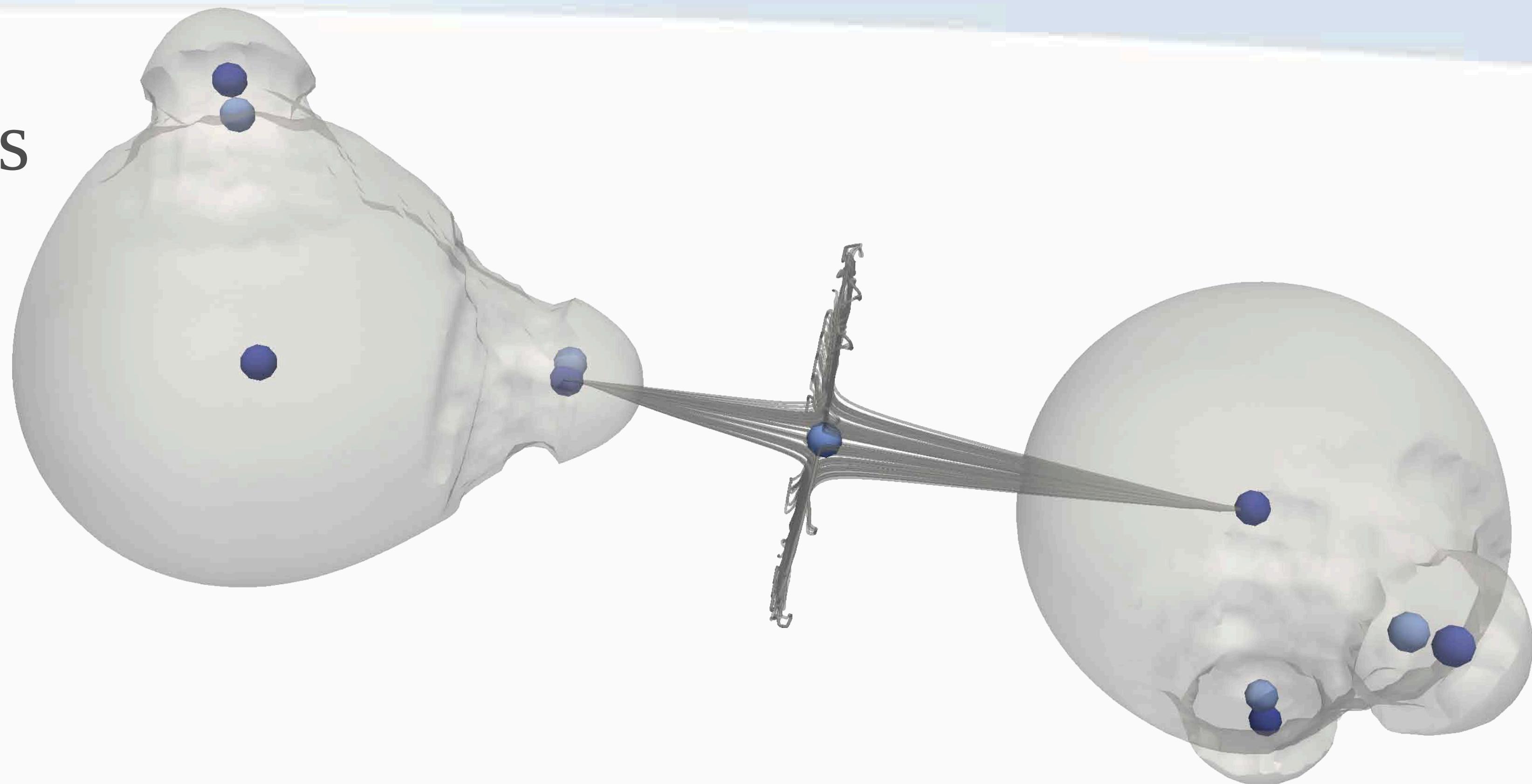
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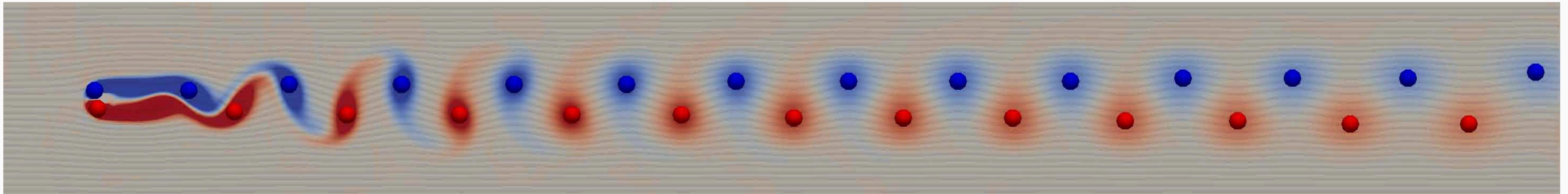
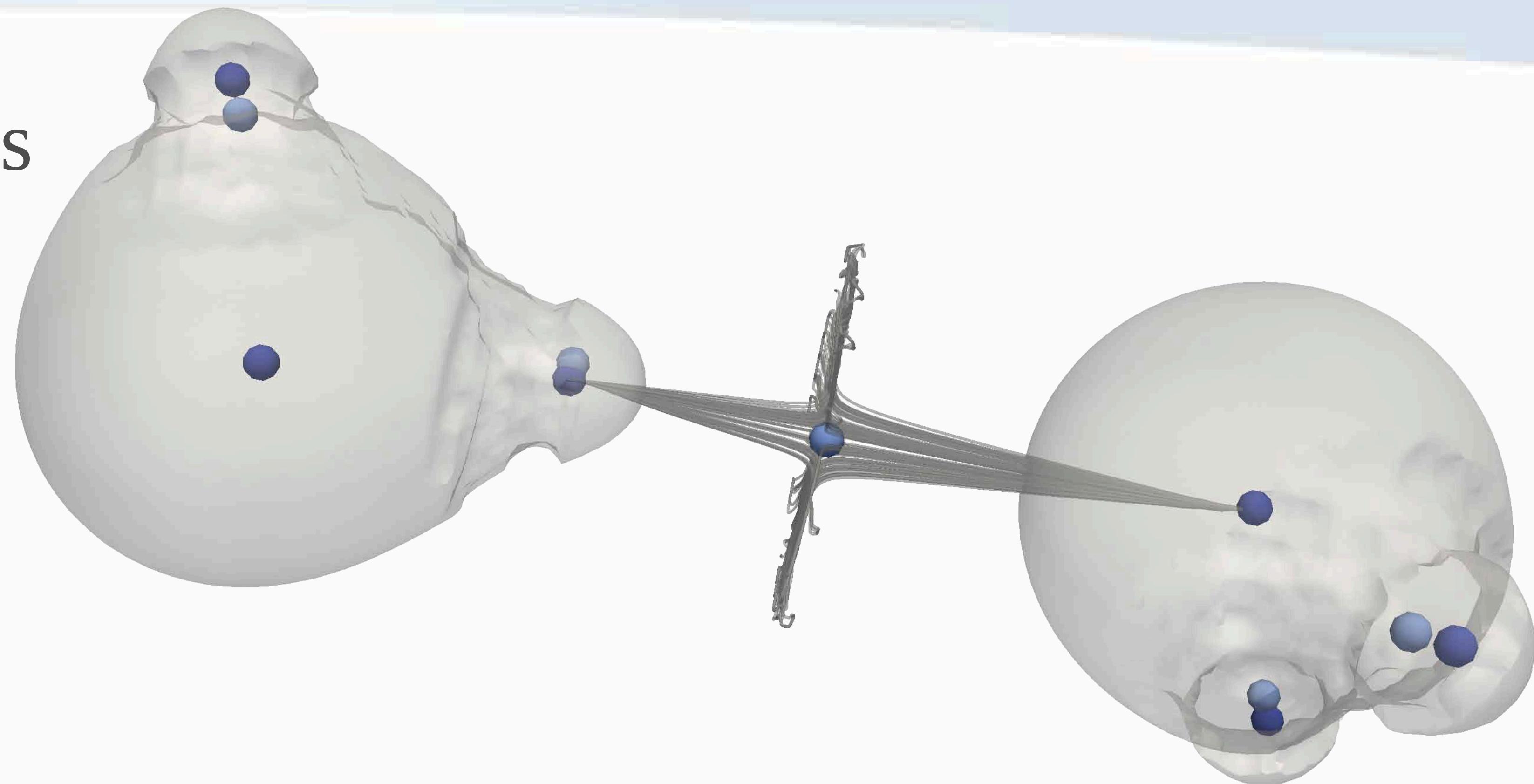
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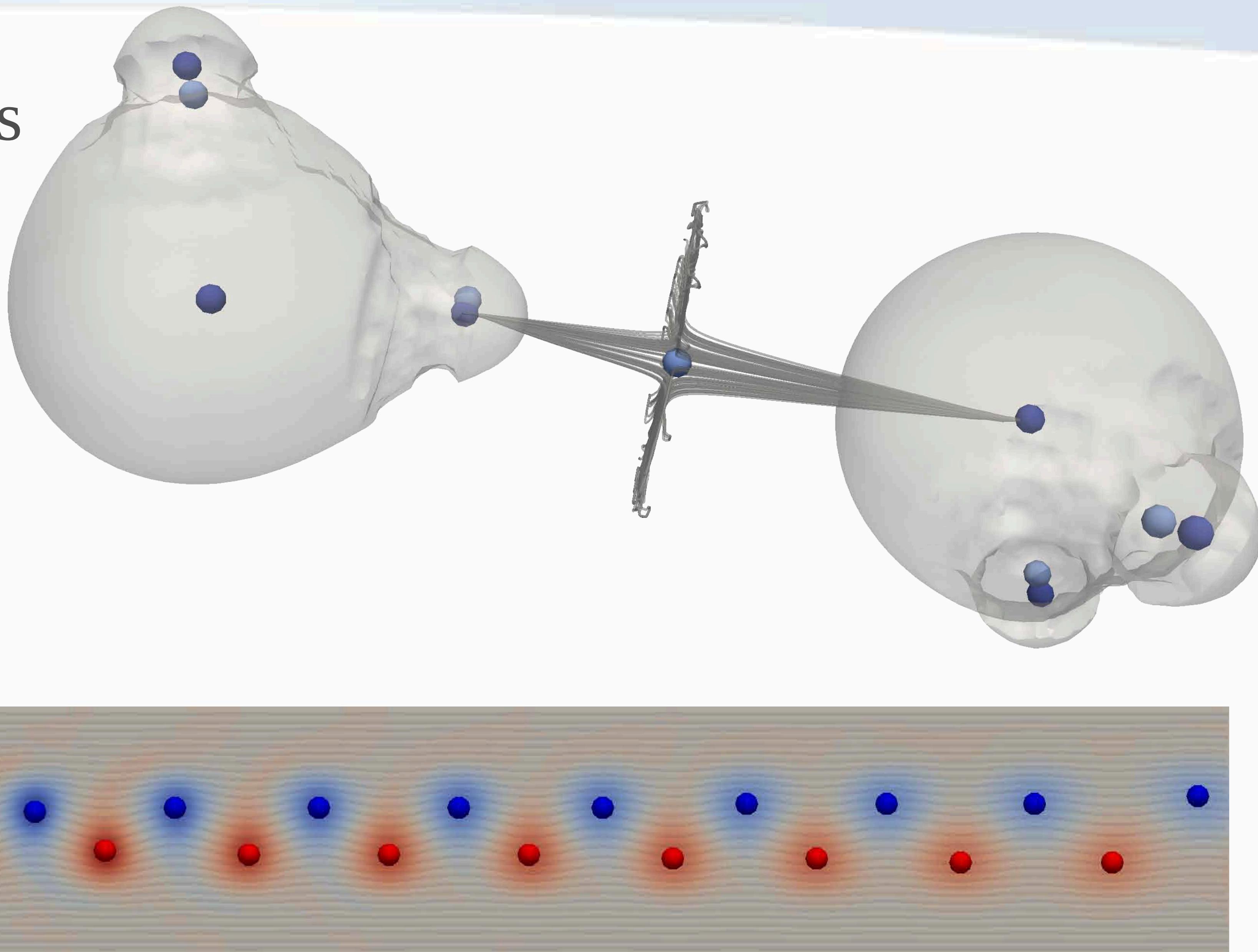
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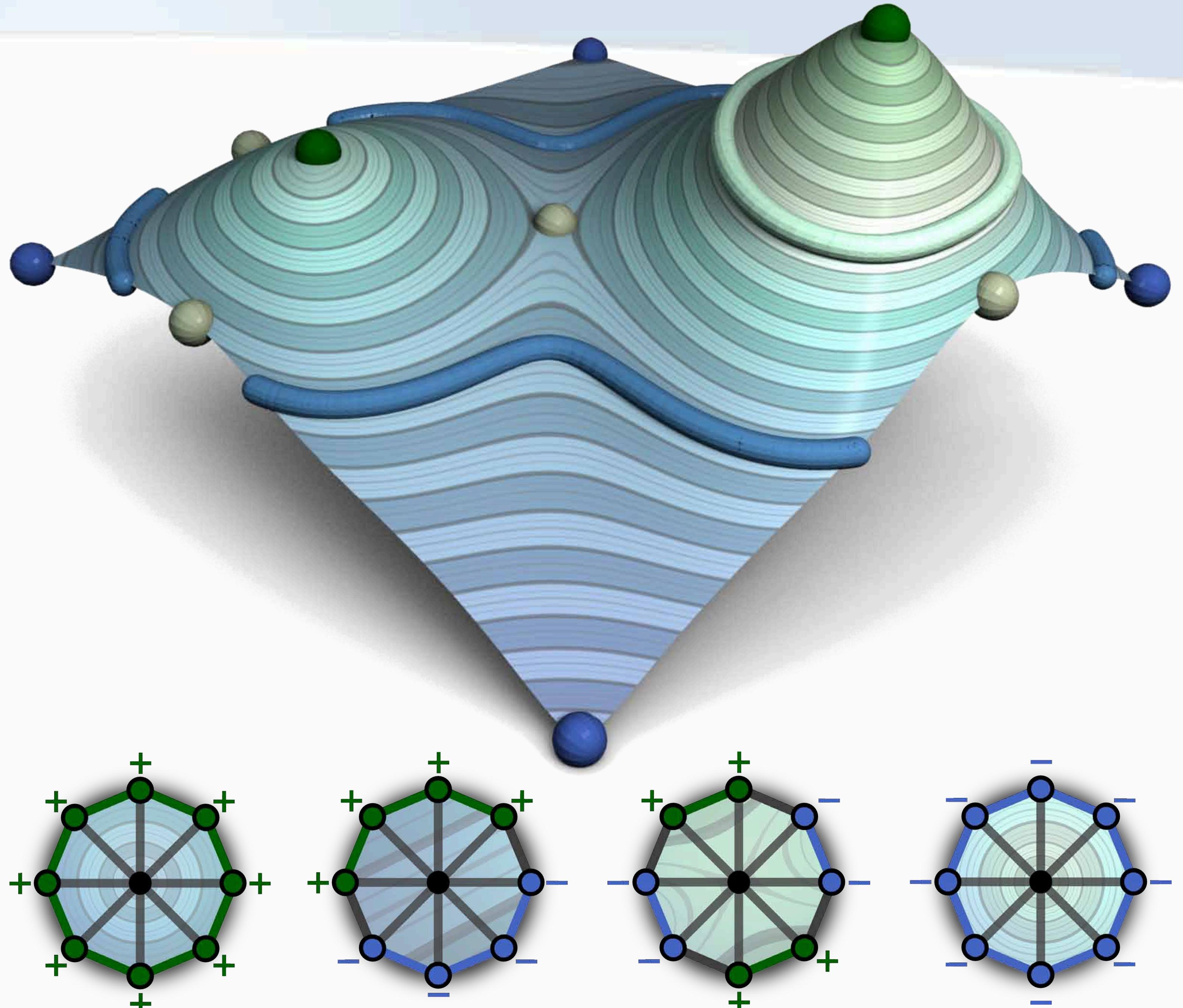
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  - Etc.



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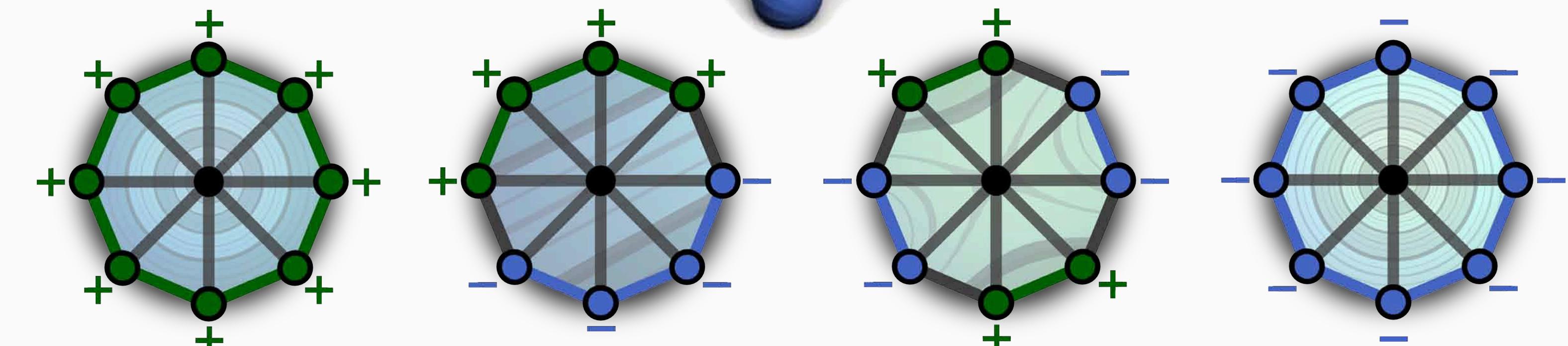
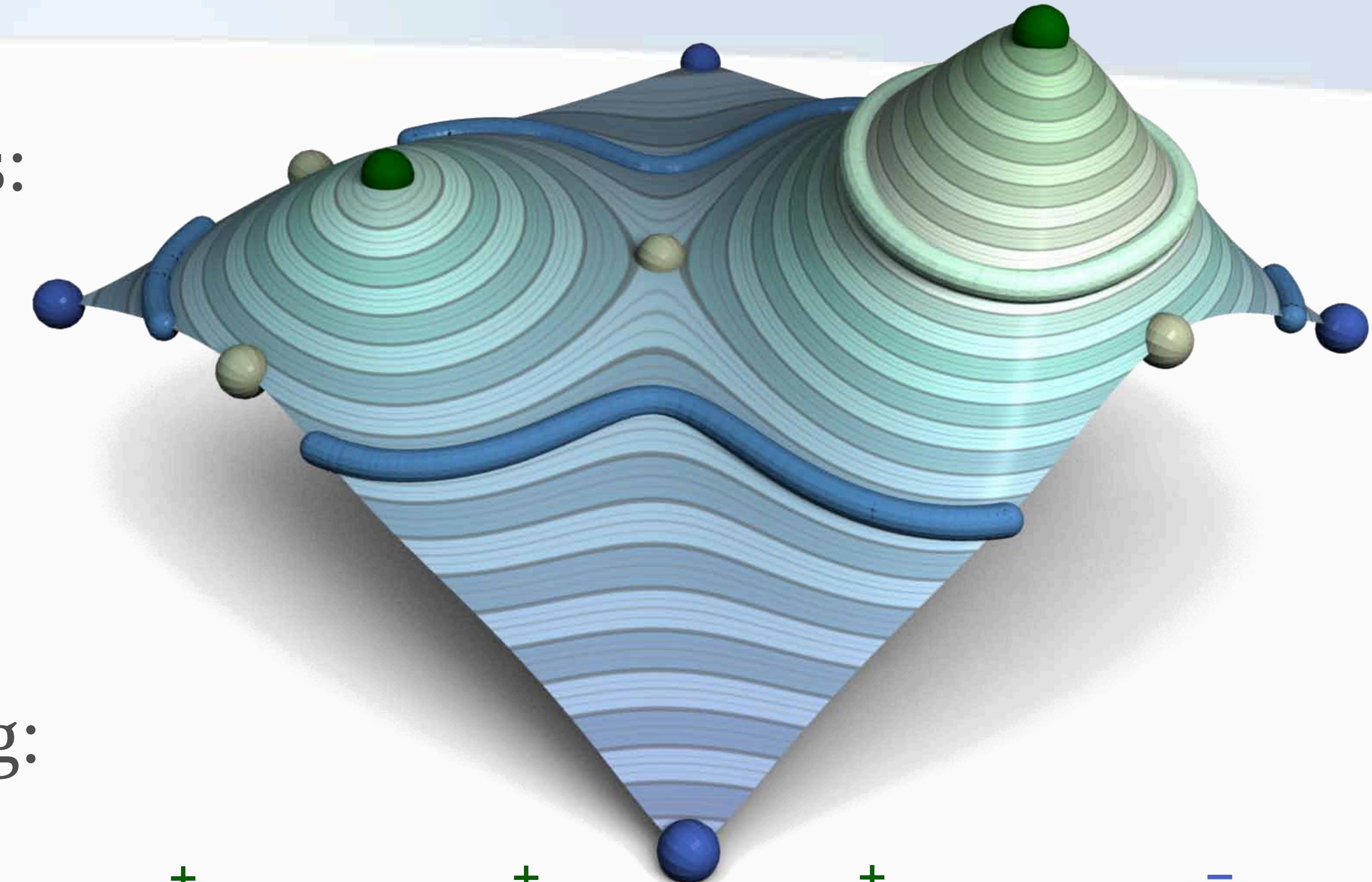
- Local, inexpensive operations:
  - Regular point:
    - $Lk^-(v)$  simply connected
    - $Lk^+(v)$  simply connected
  - Minimum:
    - $Lk^-(v) = \emptyset$
  - Maximum:
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  - Otherwise: Saddle point



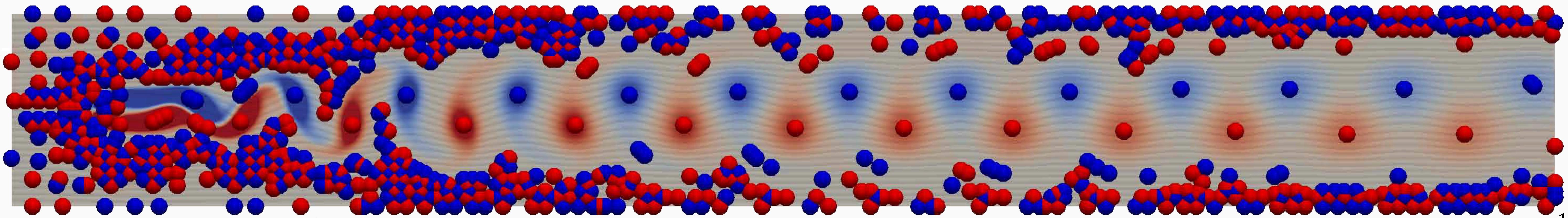
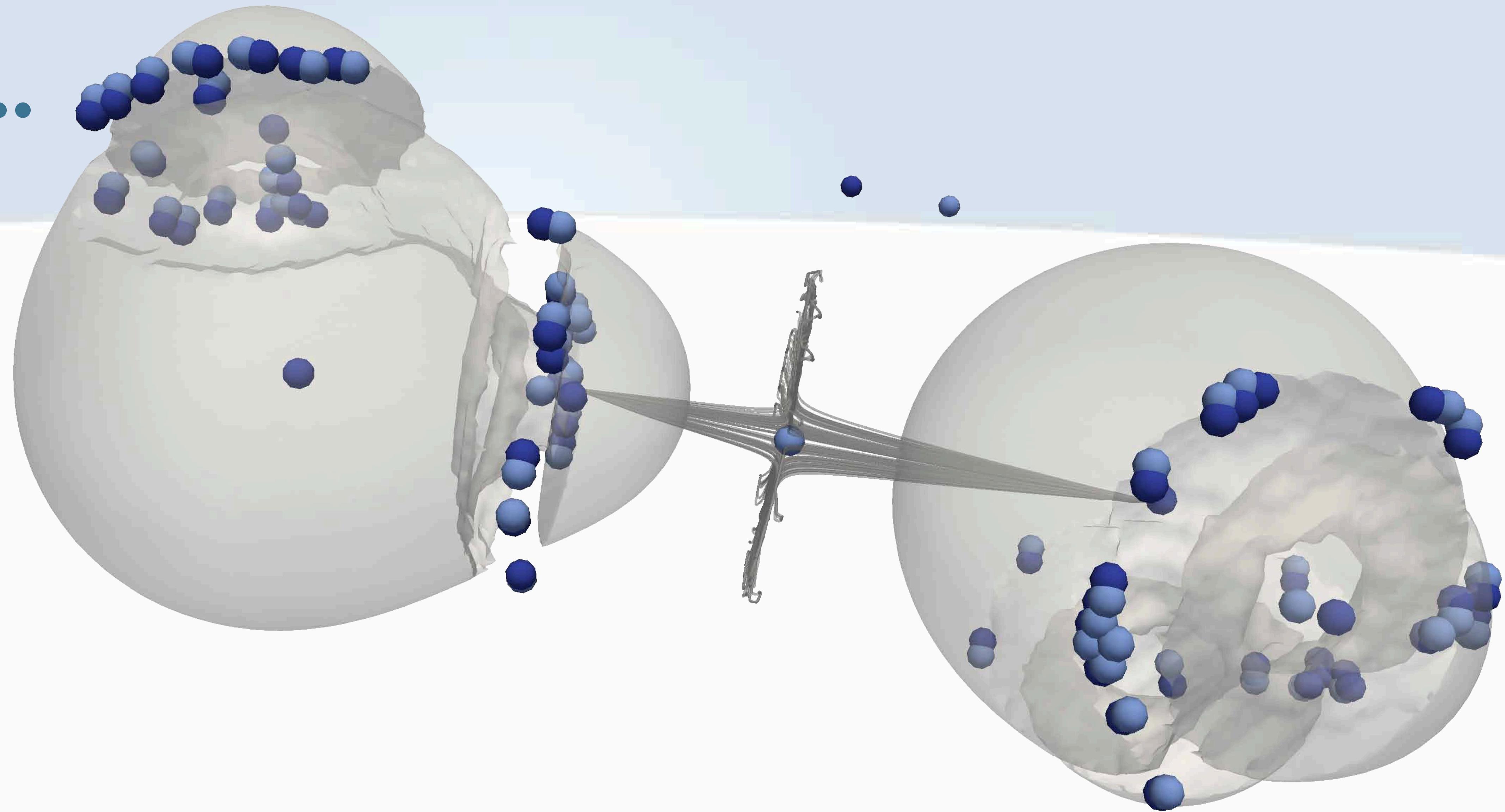
# Critical Point Extraction Algorithm

- Interesting combinatorial properties:
  - Finite number of critical points
  - Under certain assumptions:
    - Only isolated critical points
    - No degenerate critical points
- Consistent with the smooth setting:

$$\chi_{\mathcal{D}} = \sum_{i=0}^{i=d} (-1)^i \mu_i(f)$$

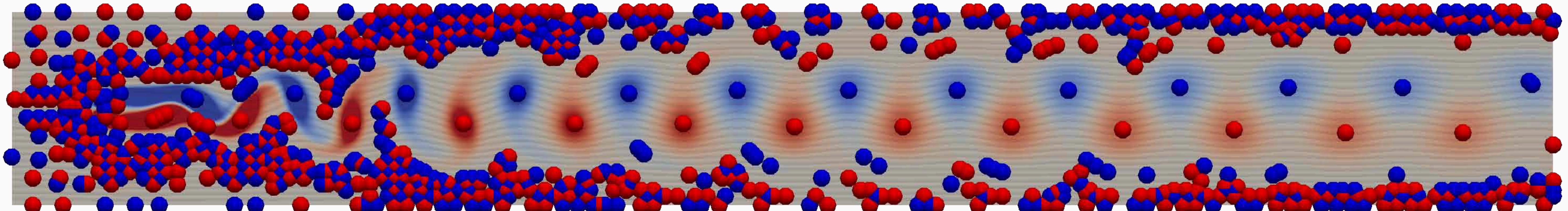
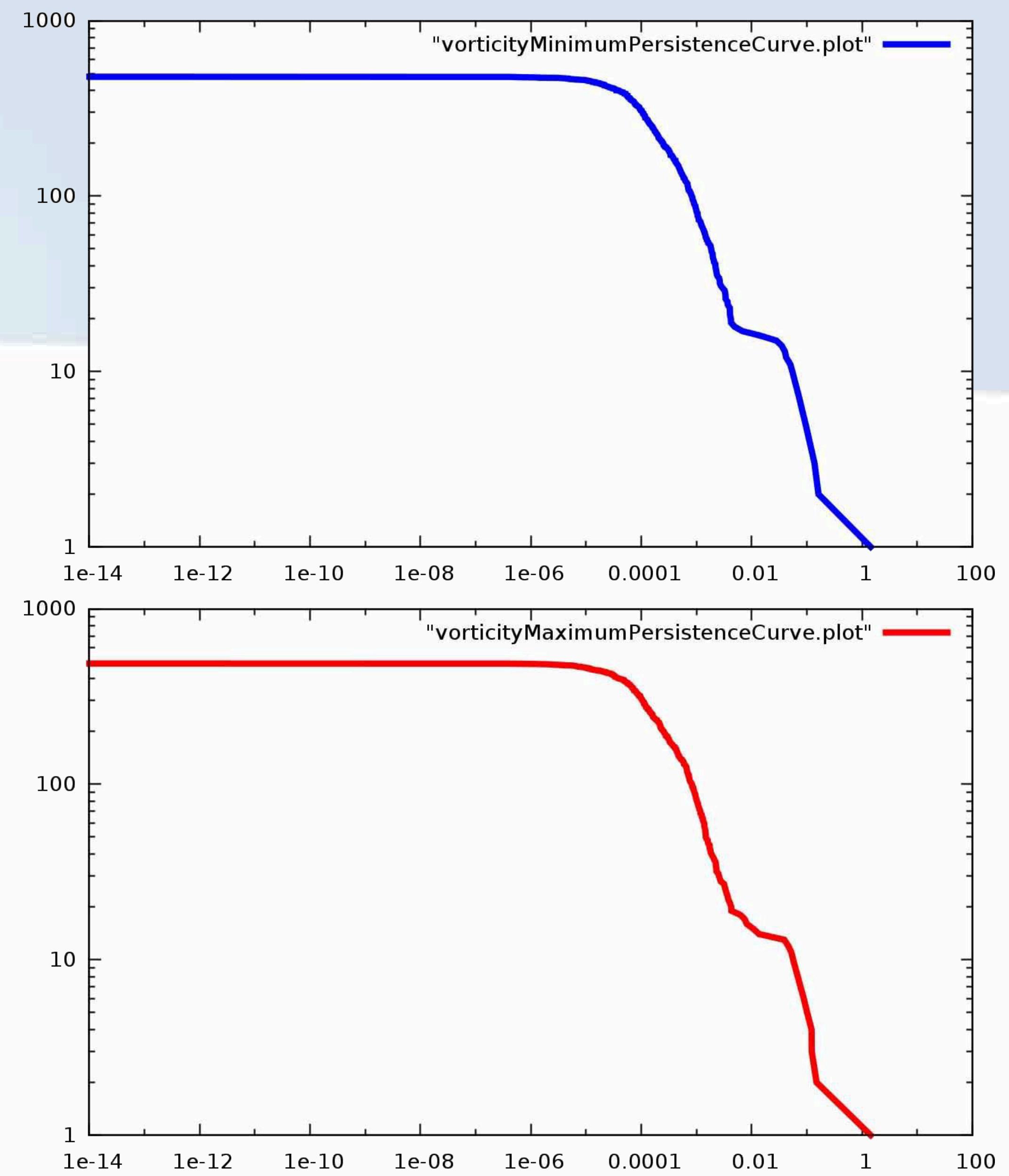


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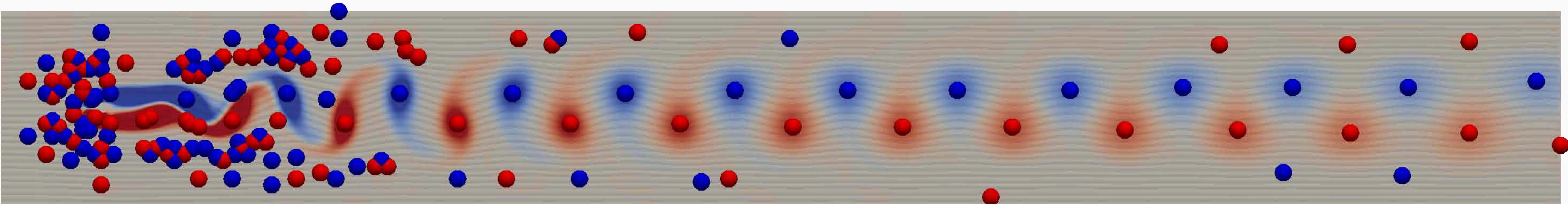
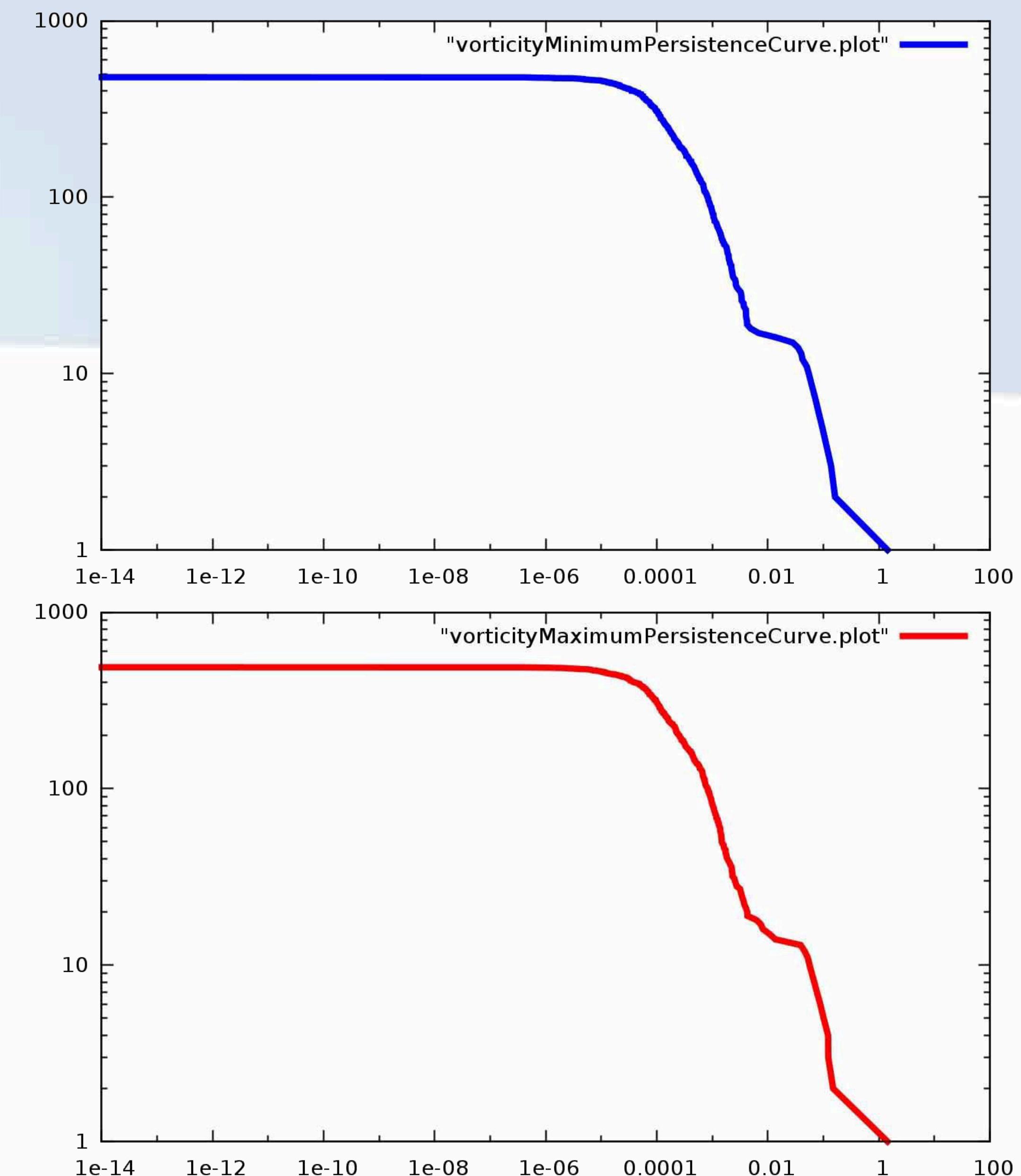
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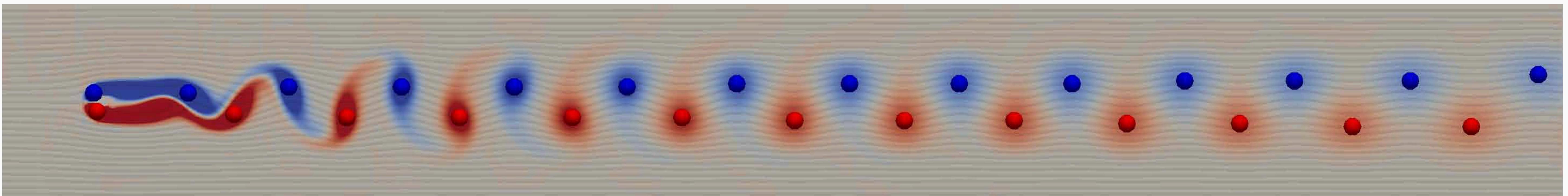
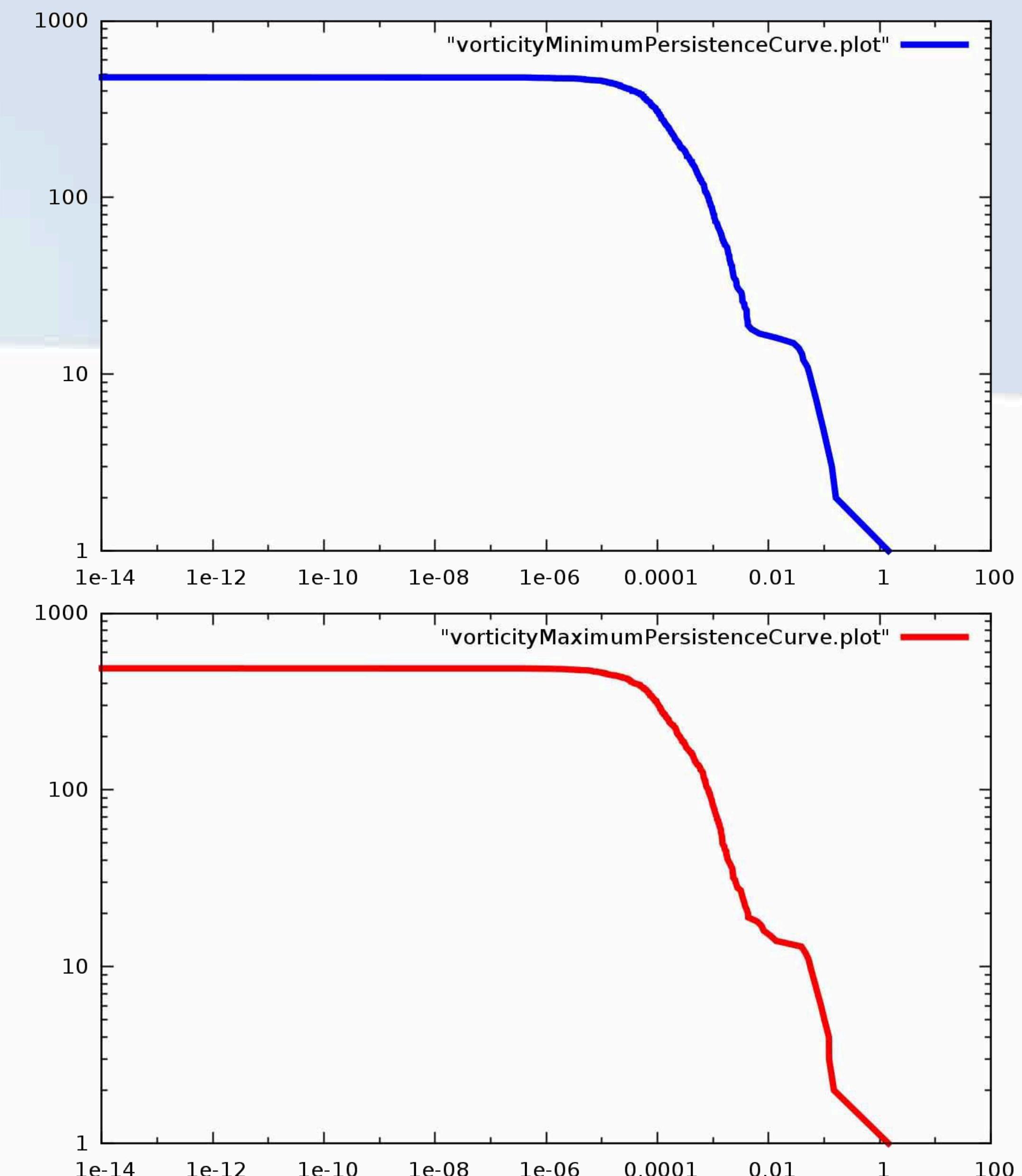
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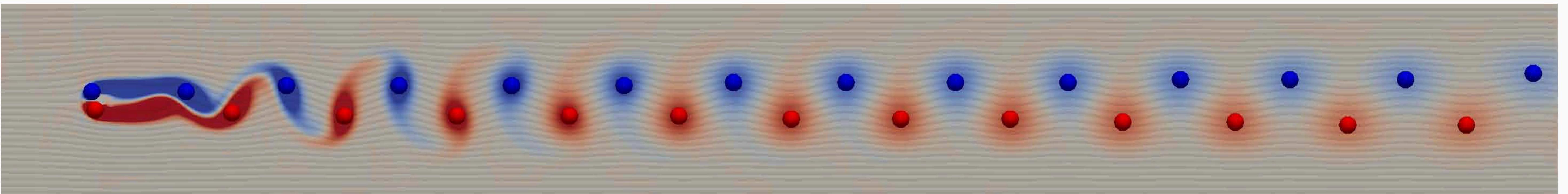
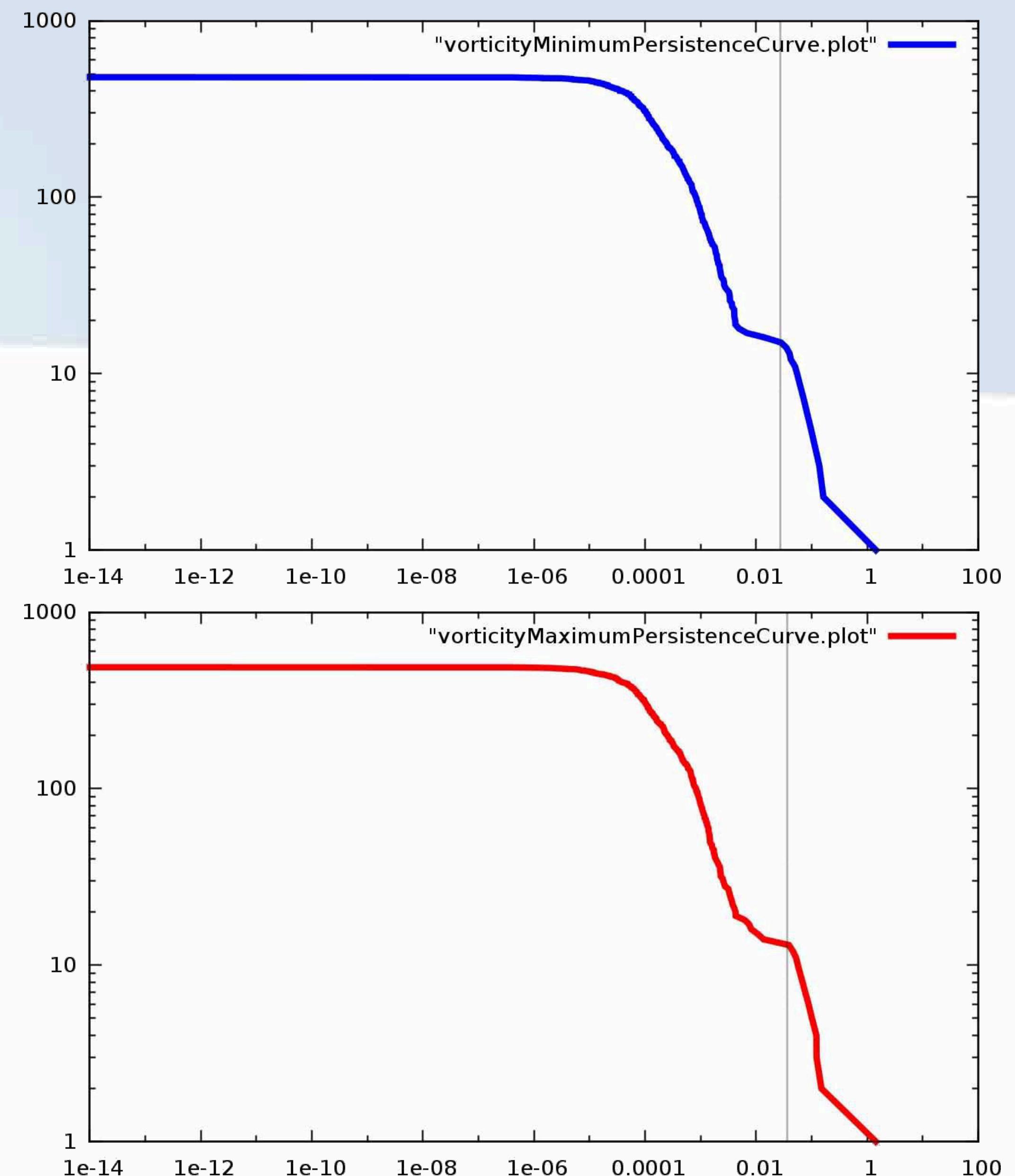
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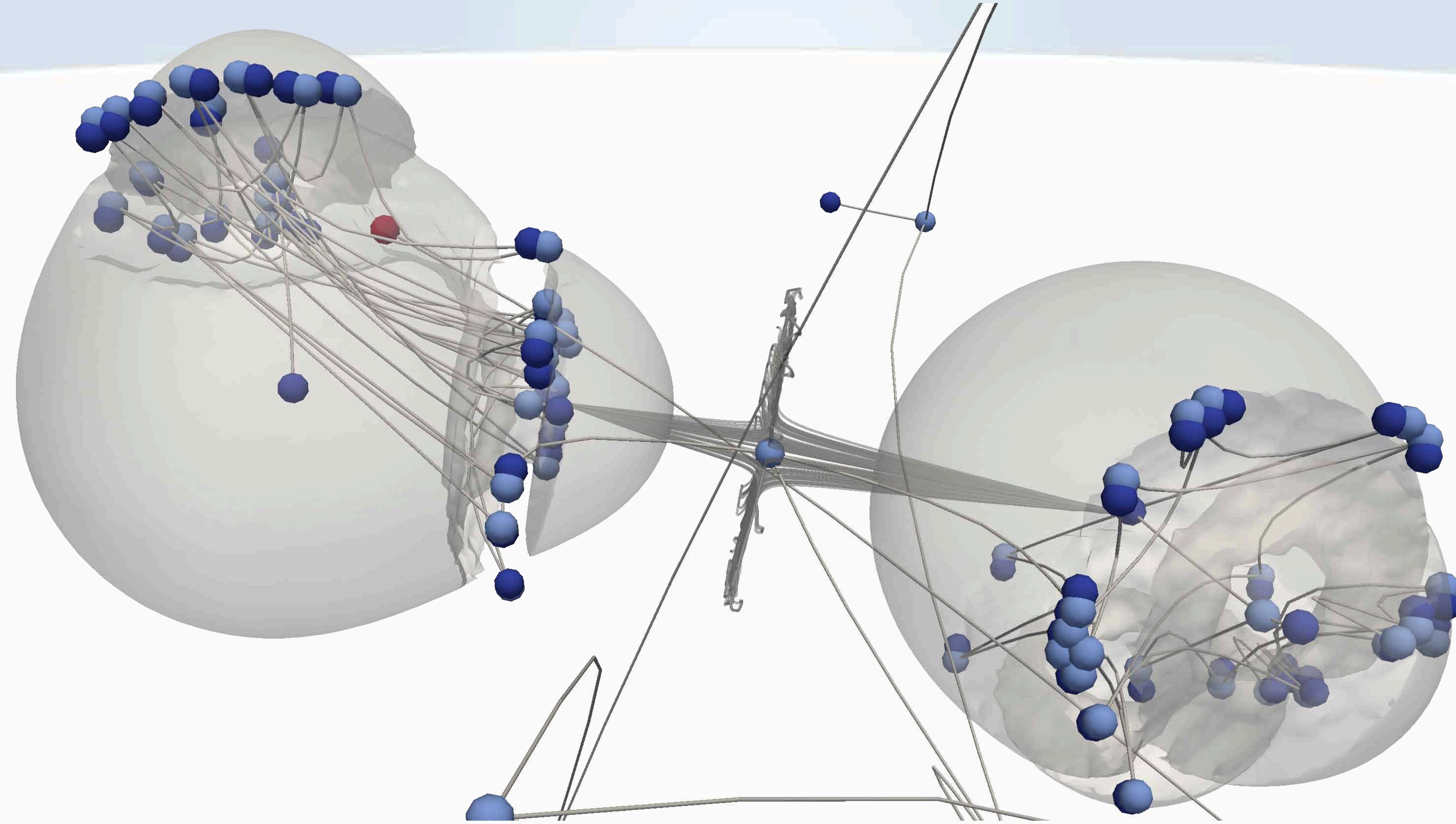


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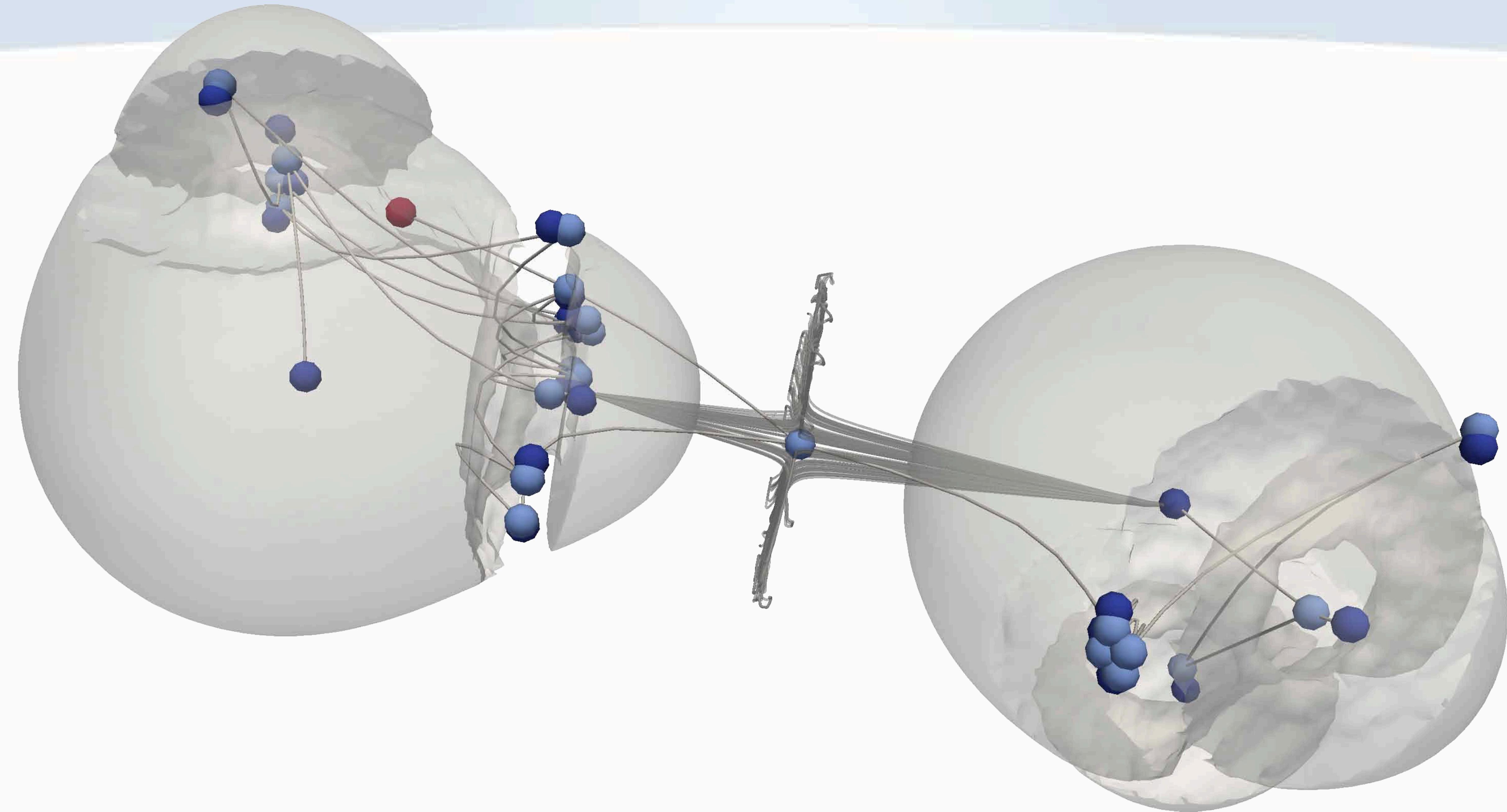
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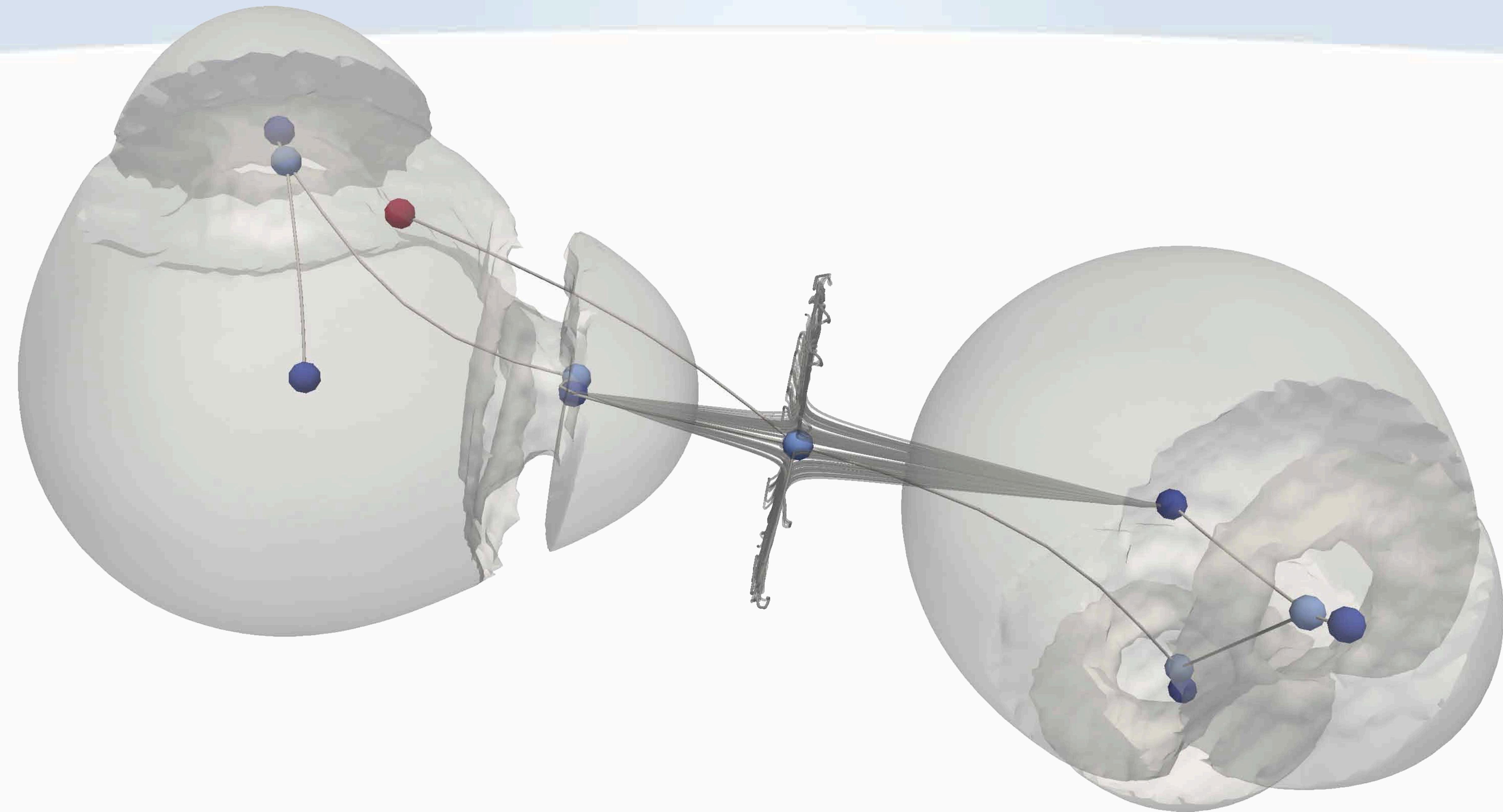
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# Structural Understanding

- “Sur les points singuliers d'une forme de Pfaff complètement intégrable ou d'une fonction numérique”, Académie des Sciences, 1946

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Prenons pour  $(u_i)$  une surface  $z = f(x, y)$ , où  $f$  a des dérivées troisièmes, et pour  $S(u)$  une sphère de rayon nul,  $\bar{Q}_u$  n'existant pour aucune valeur de  $u$  et le lieu de  $Q$  étant partout sans tangente. On peut prendre pour  $(x, y, z)$  et  $u(x, y, z)$  des fonctions à dérivées premières continues. Nous avons  $H = \sqrt{\bar{M}_u} = \bar{M}^u$ , donc  $H$  n'est pas dérivable par rapport à  $u$ , non plus que  $\bar{M}_u$ , et l'on montre aisément que ce fait ne dépend pas du remplacement de  $u$  par  $u_1 = \varphi(u)$ . L'existence des dérivées secondes de  $u(x, y, z)$  entraînerait celle de  $\bar{M}_u$ . On peut donc conclure : Il existe des systèmes triples-orthogonaux  $(u, v, w)$  pour lesquels le jeu des dérivées secondes est incomplet.

D'ailleurs aucune famille de ces systèmes n'est formée de sphères, car dans ce dernier cas, on obtient immédiatement des exemples de disparition totale des courbures, vu la possibilité de choisir sur l'une des sphères un réseau orthogonal servant de base au système triple sur cette sphère, les courbes d'une famille étant des courbes unipartantes quelconques.

**TOPOLOGIE.** — Sur les points singuliers d'une forme de Pfaff complètement intégrable ou d'une fonction numérique<sup>(1)</sup>. Note<sup>(2)</sup> de M. GEORGES REEB, présentée par M. Élie Cartan.

**I. FORMES DE PFAFF COMPLÈTEMENT INTÉGRABLES.** — *Propriété 1.* — Soit  $\omega = a_{ij}dx^i$  une forme de Pfaff complètement intégrable du  $R^n$  ( $a_{ij}$  sont des constantes). Si la matrice  $(a_{ij})$  des coefficients est de rang  $p \geq 3$ , la forme  $\omega$  se réduit à une différentielle exacte.

En effet,  $D\omega \neq 0$ , la condition de complète intégrabilité entraîne que  $D\omega = \omega_1 \wedge \omega_2$  (les formes  $\omega_1$  et  $\omega_2$  étant à coefficients constants et  $\omega$  étant une combinaison de  $\omega_1$  et  $\omega_2$ ). D'où l'on conclut que, par changement de base, on peut écrire  $\omega = \lambda dx^i + \mu dx^j$ , où  $\lambda$  et  $\mu$  sont des formes linéaires de  $X^i$  et  $X^j$ . Ceci montre que le rang de la matrice  $(a_{ij})$  est au plus égal à 2. Donc  $D\omega = 0$ , d'où  $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$  et  $\omega = (1/2)d(a_{ij}x^i x^j)$ .

Soit maintenant  $\omega = a_i(x)dx^i$  une forme deux fois continûment différentiable, définie dans une boule de centre O du  $R^n$  et admettant le point O de coordonnées  $x^i = 0$  comme point singulier. Désignons par  $a_{ij}$  les valeurs des dérivées partielles des  $a_i$  calculées au point O.

*Propriété 2.* — Si  $\omega = a_i dx^i$  est complètement intégrable, il en est de même de la forme  $\omega^* = a_{ij}x^i dx^j$ .

Si la forme quadratique  $a_{ij}x^i x^j$  est définie positive ou négative, la forme

(1) Voir CH. ERHSMANN ET G. REEB, Comptes rendus, 218, 1944, p. 995; 220, 1945, p. 237.  
(2) Séance du 25 mars 1946.

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$\omega = a_i(x)dx^i$  satisfait dans un voisinage de O à la condition C suivante :  $[a_i X^i / (\sum a_i^2 \Sigma(x)^2)] \geq \varepsilon > 0$ . D'une façon générale, nous posons :

*Définition.* — Si le point O (défini par  $x^i = 0$ ) est un point singulier isolé de la forme complètement intégrable  $\omega = a_i(x)dx^i$  et si dans tout un voisinage O la condition C est satisfaite, le point O sera appelé centre.

*Propriété 3.* — Si O est un centre pour  $\omega$ , le système des variétés intégrales, dans un voisinage convenable de O, peut être transformé par un homéomorphisme h en un système de sphères concentriques du  $R^n$  (si  $n \geq 3$ ).

*Propriété 4.* — Si  $\omega$  est une forme complètement intégrable définie dans une variété  $V_n$  compacte et si les seuls points singuliers de  $\omega$  sont des centres, alors  $V_n$  est une sphère  $S_n$ , les variétés intégrales sont des sphères  $S_{n-1}$ , et les points singuliers sont au nombre de deux. De plus,  $\omega$  admet un facteur intégrant dans tout  $V_n$ .

**II. FONCTIONS NUMÉRIQUES.** — Soient  $V_n$  une variété deux fois continûment différentiable et compacte, et  $f$  une fonction numérique deux fois continûment différentiable sur  $V_n$  admettant des points singuliers isolés. Supposons qu'en ces points singuliers la matrice  $(a_{ij})$  des dérivées partielles secondes  $a_{ij}$  de  $f$ , soit de rang n.

Le point singulier sera caractérisé par l'indice de la forme quadratique associée à  $(a_{ij})$ .

Appelons variété de niveau l'ensemble des points  $x$  vérifiant  $f(x) = K$ . Une variété de niveau est une véritable variété si K n'est pas une valeur singulière de  $f$ .

Désignons par variété connexe de niveau, une composante connexe d'une variété de niveau. Supposons de plus qu'à des points singuliers distincts correspondent des valeurs distinctes de  $f$ .

**Théorème 1.** — *Le quotient de  $V_n$  par la relation d'équivalence «  $x$  et  $y$  appartiennent à la même variété connexe de niveau » est un complexe simplicial fini et connexe  $K_1$  de dimension 1. L'image réciproque  $\varphi^{-1}(O)$  d'un sommet O de  $K_1$  est une variété connexe de niveau singulière ; l'image réciproque de l'intérieur de chaque simplexe est homéomorphe au produit topologique d'une variété connexe de niveau par  $R^1$ .*

Appelons ordre d'un sommet de  $K_1$  le nombre de simplexes de dimension 1 de  $K_1$  ayant ce sommet pour sommet. L'indice d'un sommet de  $K_1$  sera l'indice du point singulier dont il est image.

**Théorème 2.** — *L'ordre des sommets de  $K_1$  d'indice 0 (ou n) est 1 et réciproquement l'indice d'un sommet d'ordre 1 est 0 ou n.*

**Théorème 3.** — *Si  $n \geq 3$  l'ordre des sommets d'indice 1 (ou  $n-1$ ) est 2 ou 3. Si  $n=2$  l'ordre des sommets d'indice 1 est 2, 3 ou 4. L'ordre des sommets d'indice distinct de 0, 1,  $n-1$  ou n est 2.*

La démonstration de ce dernier théorème repose sur le lemme suivant : Soit  $x \in V_n$  un point singulier d'indice p. Dans une boule ouverte  $B_\delta$  de centre x

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et assez petite, l'ensemble des points  $y$  tels que  $f(y) < f(x)$  a une ou deux composantes connexes, selon que  $p > 1$  ou  $p = 1$ .

On en conclut en particulier :

**Théorème 4.** — *Si  $n \geq 3$  et si M est le nombre de points singuliers d'indice 0 ou n, et m celui des points singuliers d'indice 1 ou  $n-1$ , on a l'inégalité suivante  $M \leq m+2$ . Si  $n=2$ , l'inégalité s'écrit  $M \leq 2(m+1)$ .*

**Théorème 5.** — *En particulier, si  $m=0$  on a  $M=2$ . Le complexe  $K_1$  sera homéomorphe à un intervalle fermé, et toutes les variétés de niveau sont connexes.*

**Théorème 6.** — *Le groupe de Poincaré de  $K_1$  est isomorphe à un groupe quotient du groupe de Poincaré de  $V_n$ .*

**Corollaire.** — *Si  $V_n$  a un groupe de Poincaré fini et si  $M=2$ , le complexe  $K_1$  sera homéomorphe à un intervalle fermé et toutes les variétés de niveau seront connexes.*

**ANALYSE MATHÉMATIQUE.** — *Sur le problème de Cauchy pour les équations aux dérivées partielles, totalement hyperboliques, d'ordre plus grand que 2.* Note<sup>(1)</sup> de M. FLORENT BUREAU, présentée par M. Jacques Hadamard.

1. Le problème de Cauchy pour les équations aux dérivées partielles d'ordre supérieur à deux a fait l'objet des recherches de E.-E. Levi, I. Petrovsky, G. Herglotz et N. Zeilon. Dans des travaux bien connus, M. J. Hadamard a montré que, pour les équations aux dérivées partielles du second ordre, du type simplement hyperbolique, tous les résultats relatifs au problème de Cauchy et au principe de Huygens « peuvent et doivent se déduire de la seule solution élémentaire ». Nous voudrions montrer que l'on peut étendre ce résultat à des équations aux dérivées partielles totalement hyperboliques, d'ordre quatre et à trois variables indépendantes.

Considérons l'équation

$$(1) \quad D_p D_q u = F(x),$$

avec

$$D_p = a_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} - a_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} - a_3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}, \\ D_q = b_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} - b_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} - b_3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3},$$

les a et les b étant des constantes positives telles que  $0 < a_2 < a_3 < a_1$ ,  $0 < b_3 < b_2 < b_1$ . Nous poserons

$$\begin{aligned} f &= a_1 x_3^2 - a_2 x_2^2 - a_3 x_1^2, \\ g &= b_1 x_3^2 - b_2 x_2^2 - b_3 x_1^2, \\ h &= (a_1 b_2 + a_2 b_1) x_1^2 - (a_1 b_3 + a_3 b_1) x_2^2 - (a_2 b_3 + a_3 b_2) x_3^2, \\ p_1 &= a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1, \quad p_2 = a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2, \quad p_3 = a_3 b_1 - a_1 b_3, \\ c_1^2 &= p_1 p_2, \quad c_2^2 = p_2 p_3, \quad c_3^2 = p_1 p_3, \\ c_1 &= c_1^*, \quad c_2 = i c_2^*, \quad c_3 = i c_3^*. \end{aligned}$$

(1) Séance du 25 mars 1946.



# Reeb Graph

- $\mathcal{R}(f)$
- Quotient space on  $\mathcal{D} \times \mathbb{R}$
- By the equivalence relation  
 $(p_1, f(p_1)) \sim (p_2, f(p_2))$

$$f(p_1) = f(p_2)$$

$$p_2 \in (f^{-1}(f(p_1)))_{p_1}$$

- Demo!

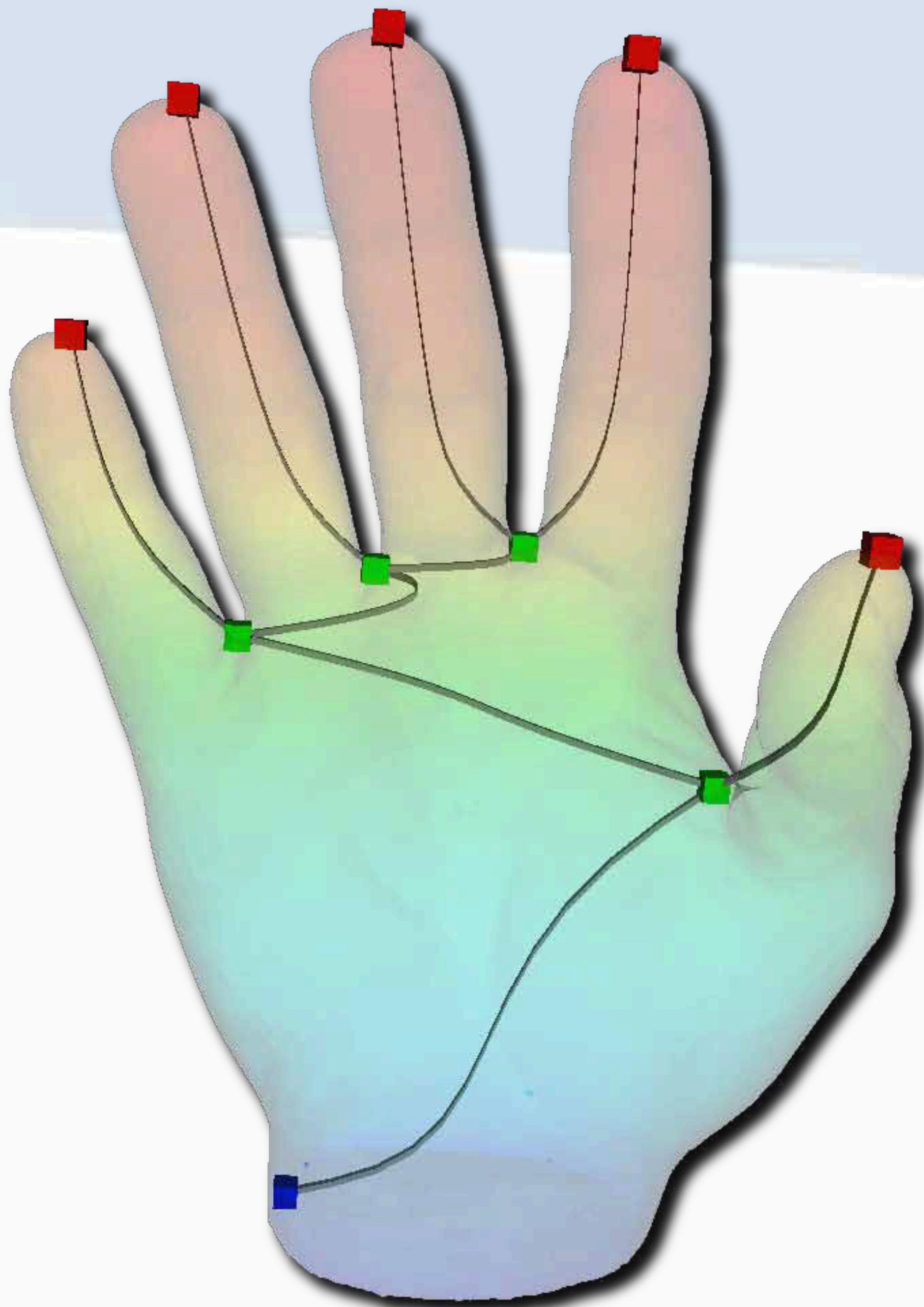


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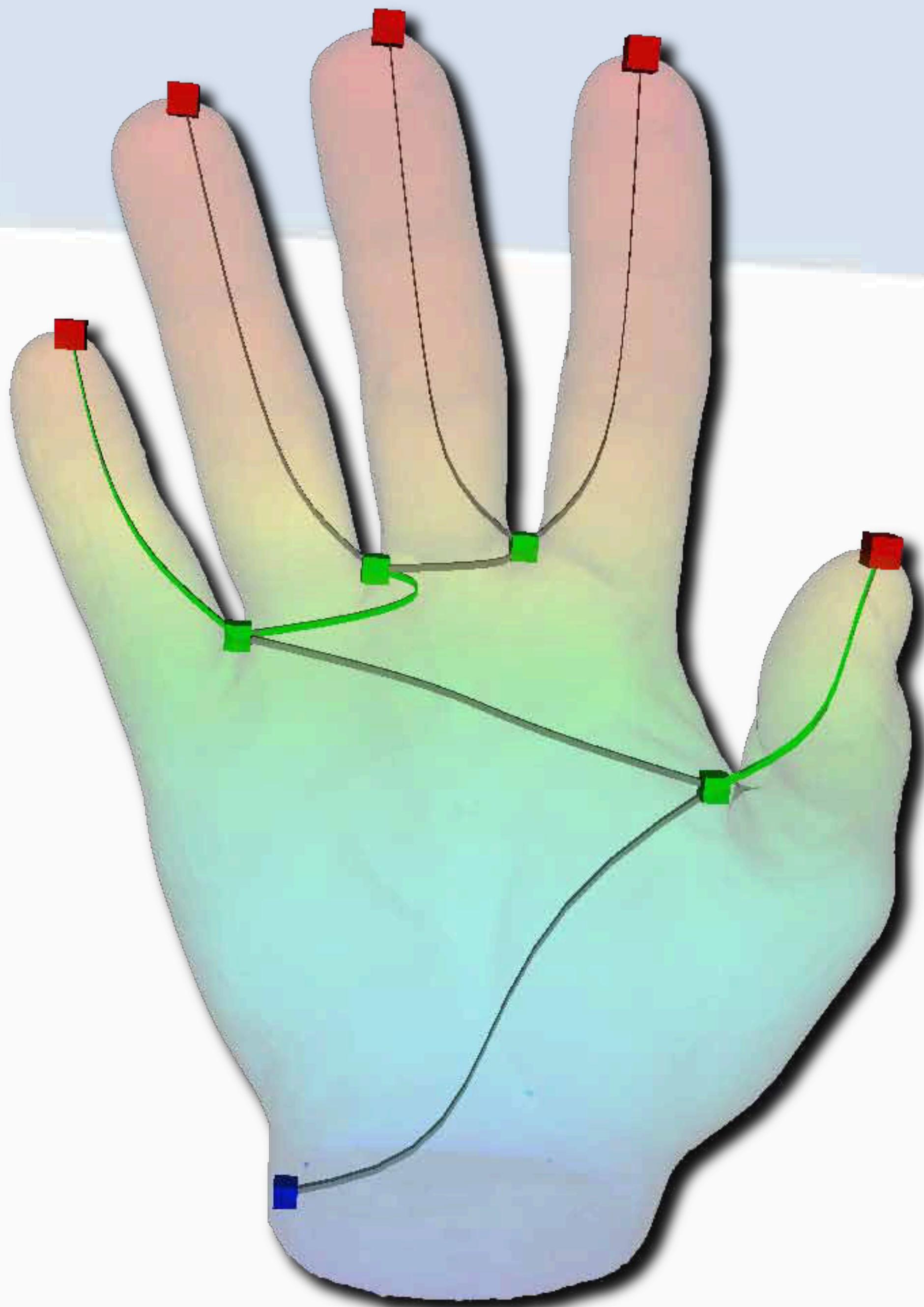
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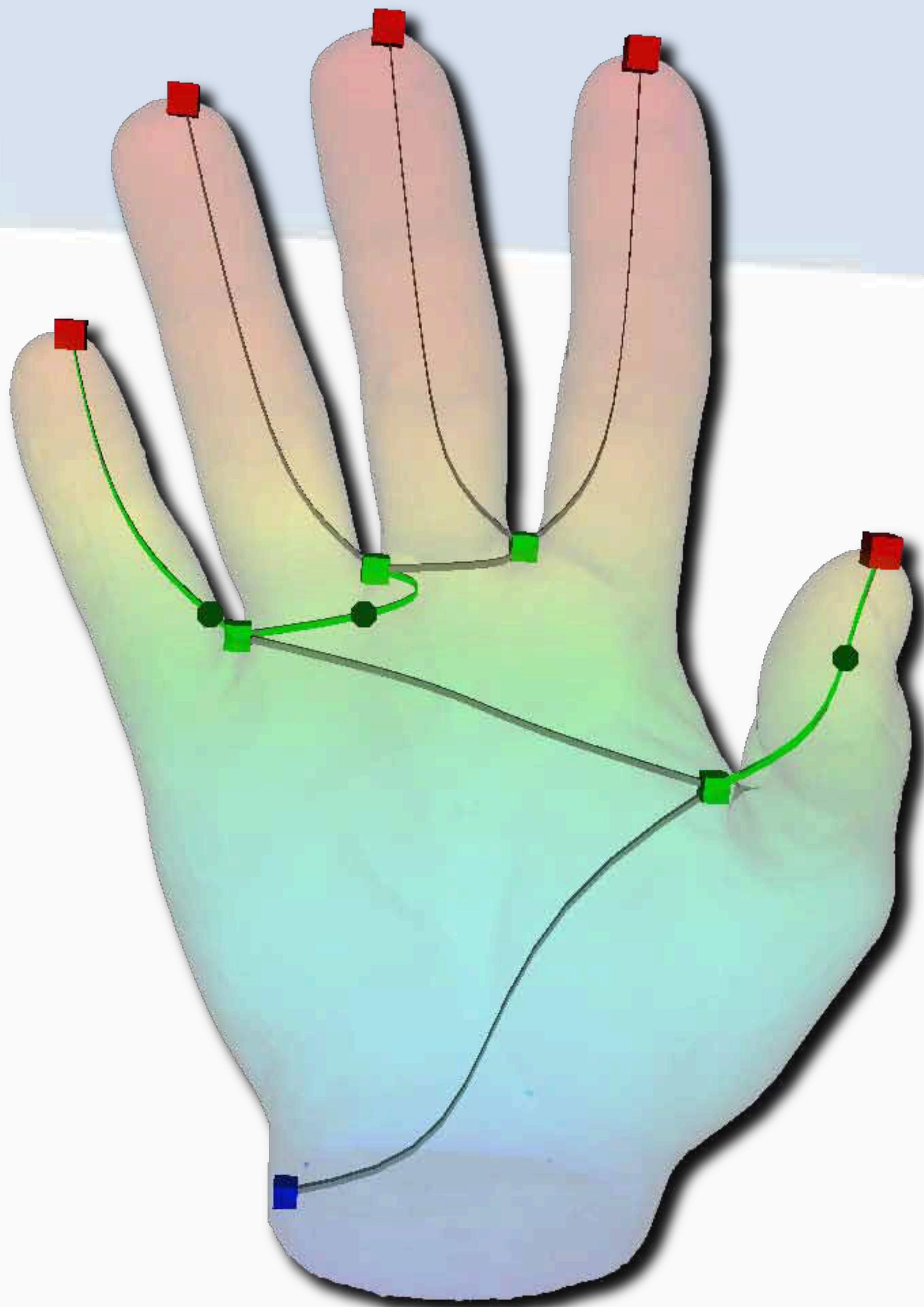
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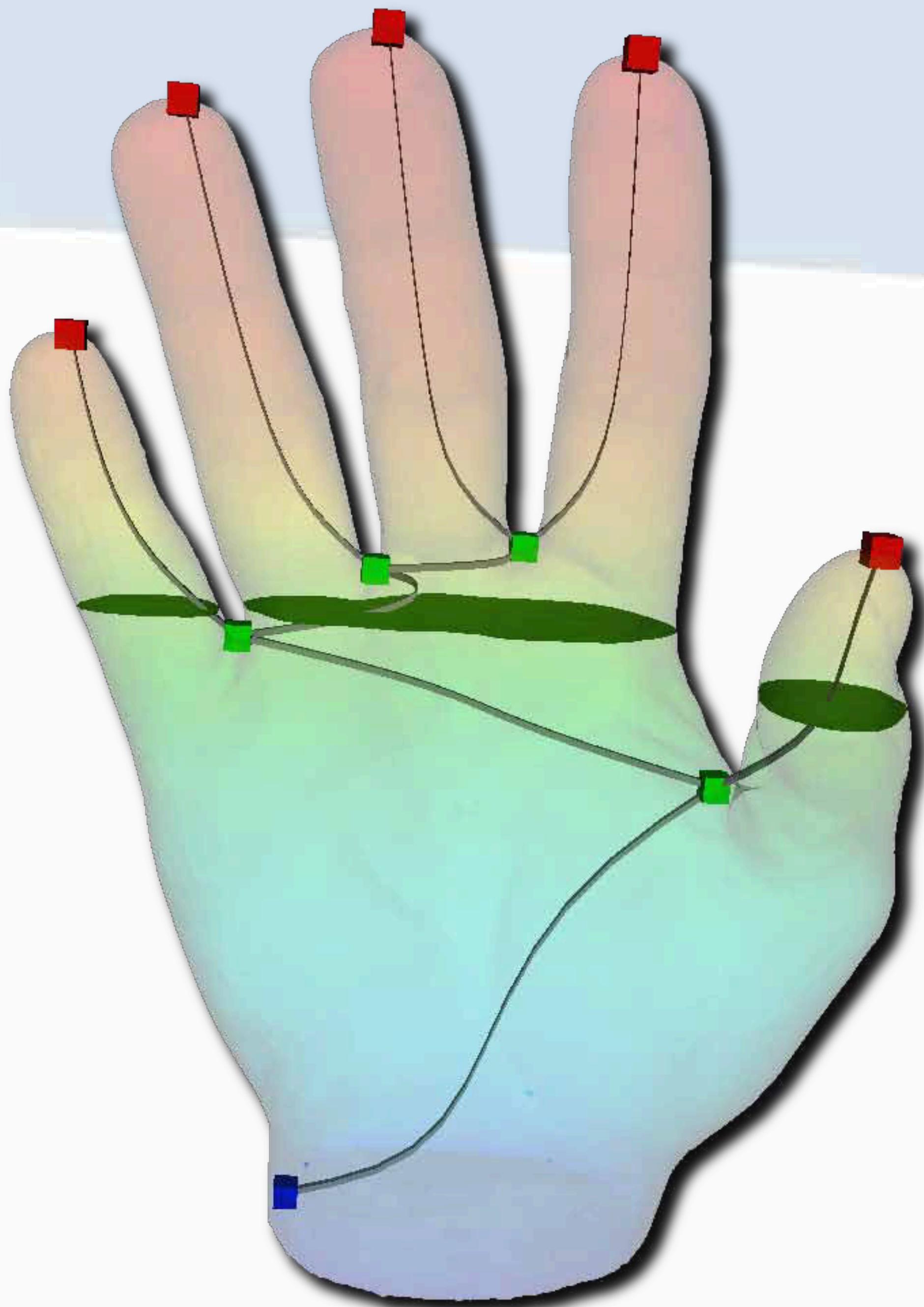
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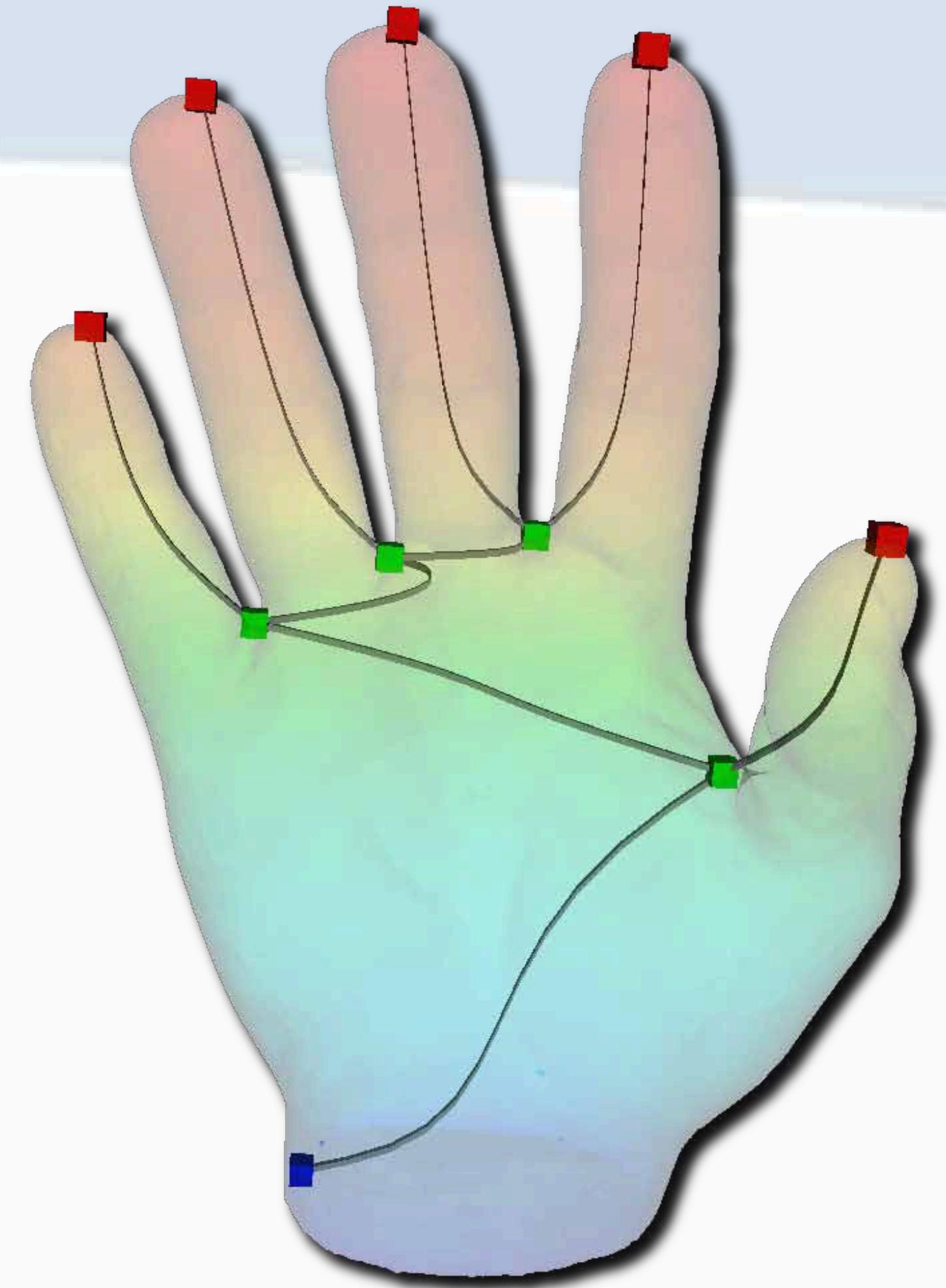
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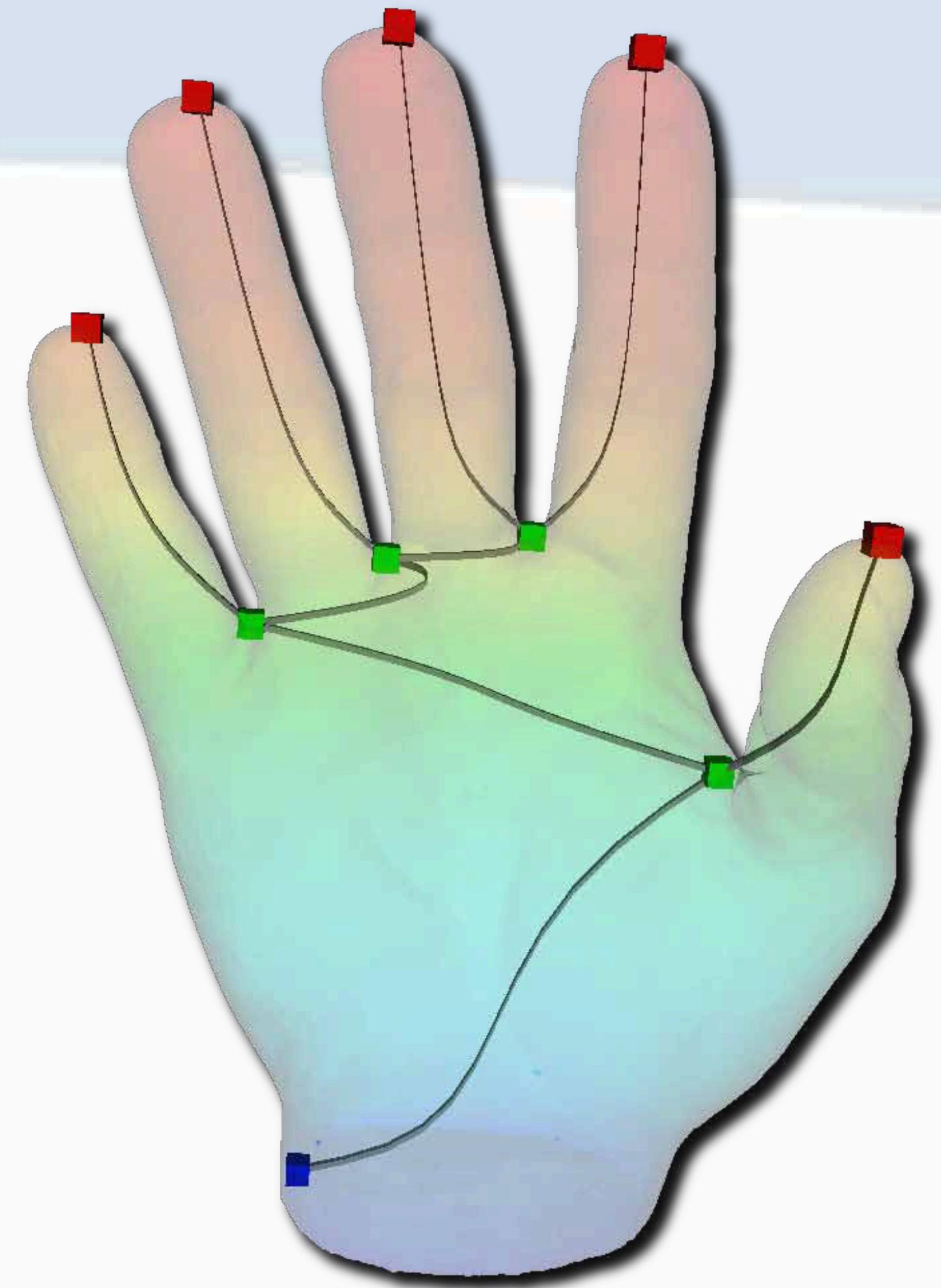
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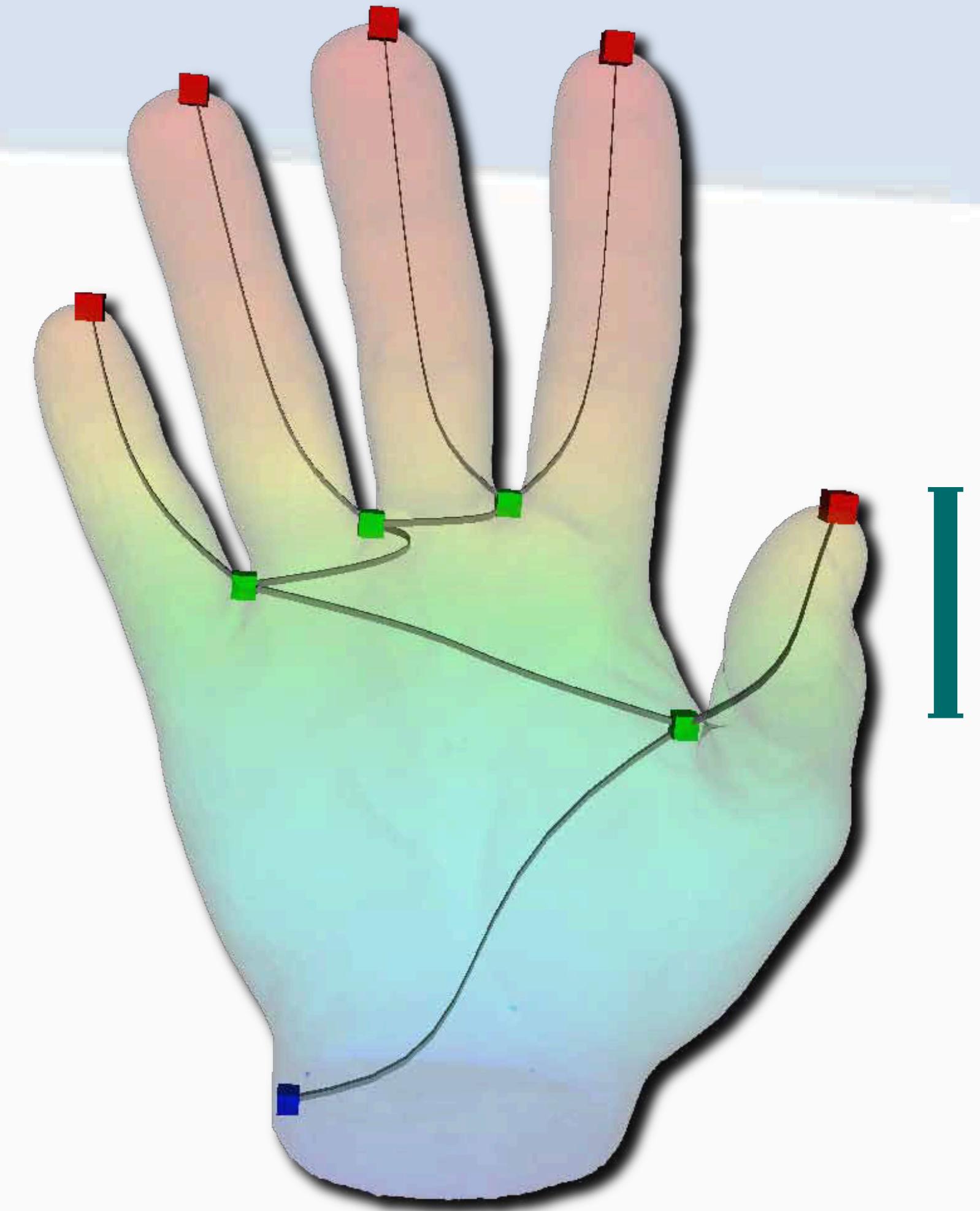
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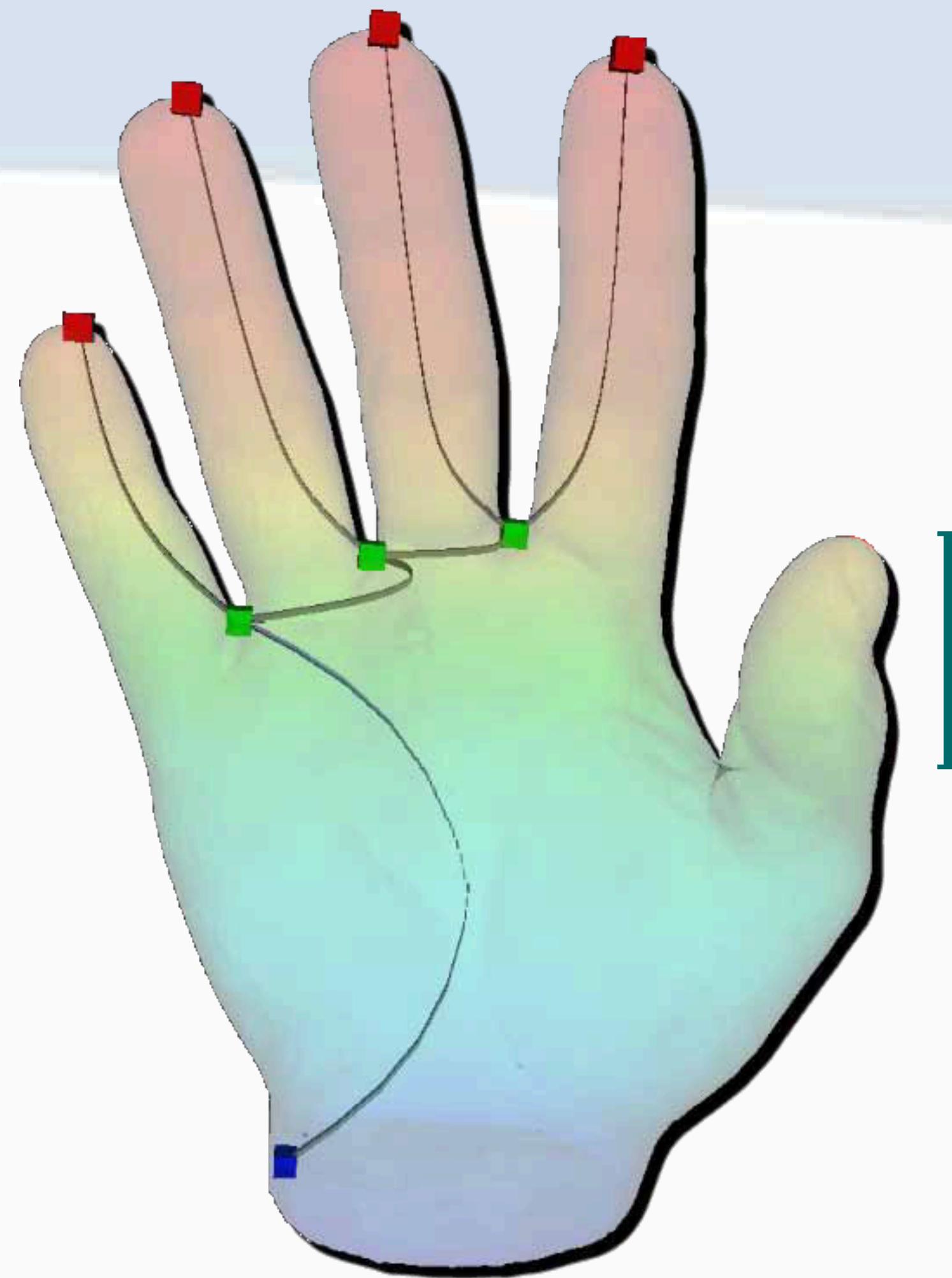
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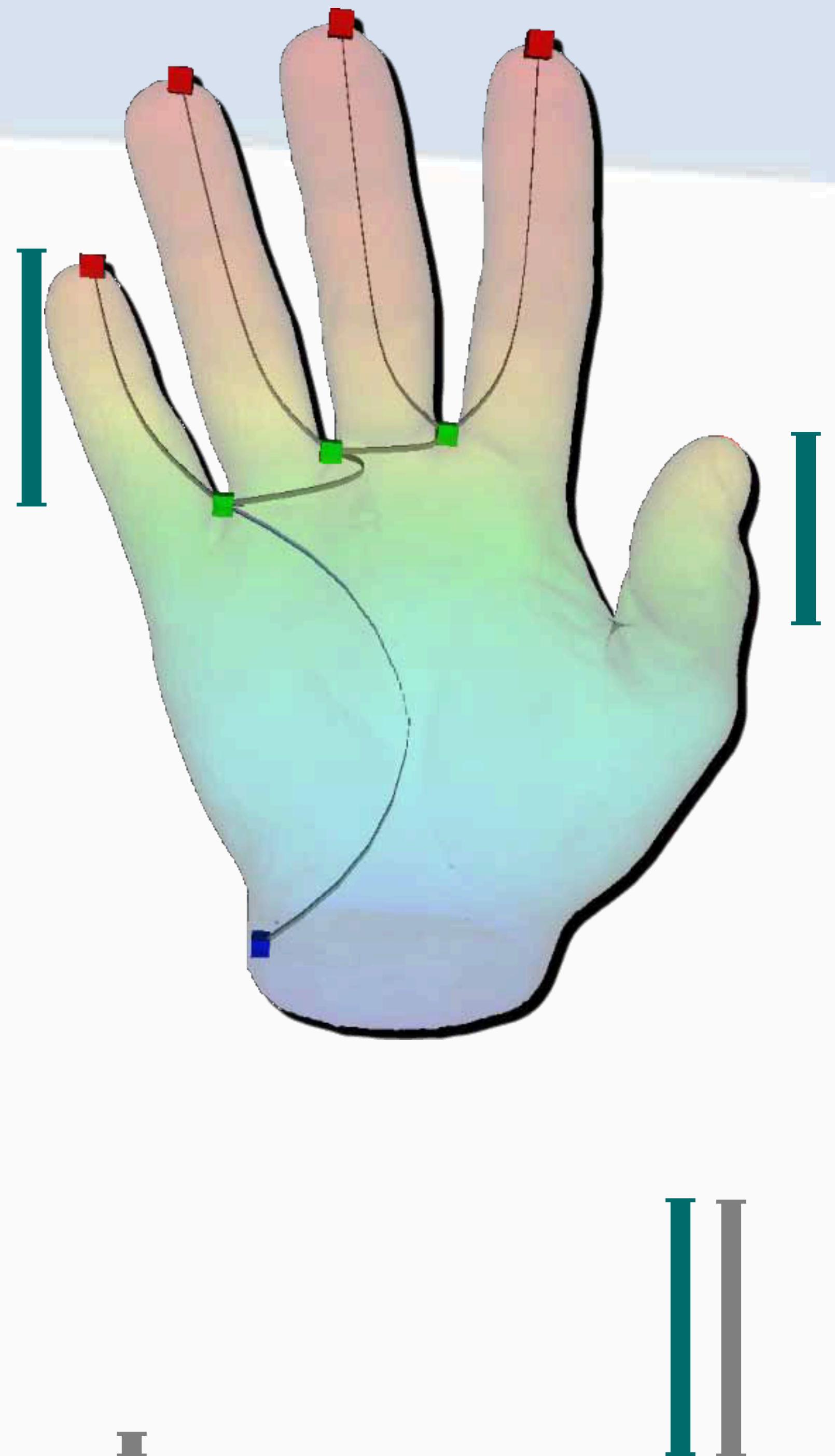
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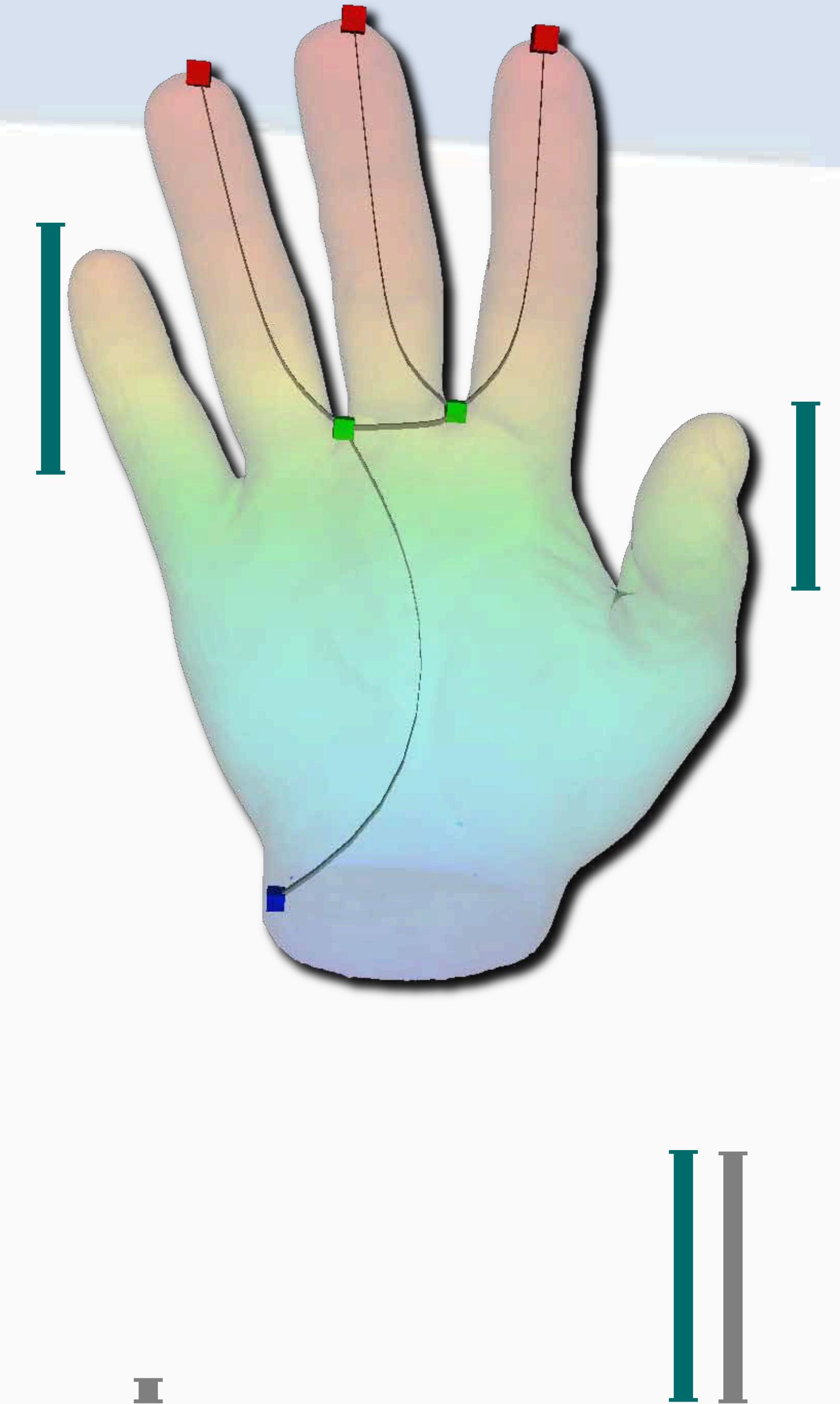
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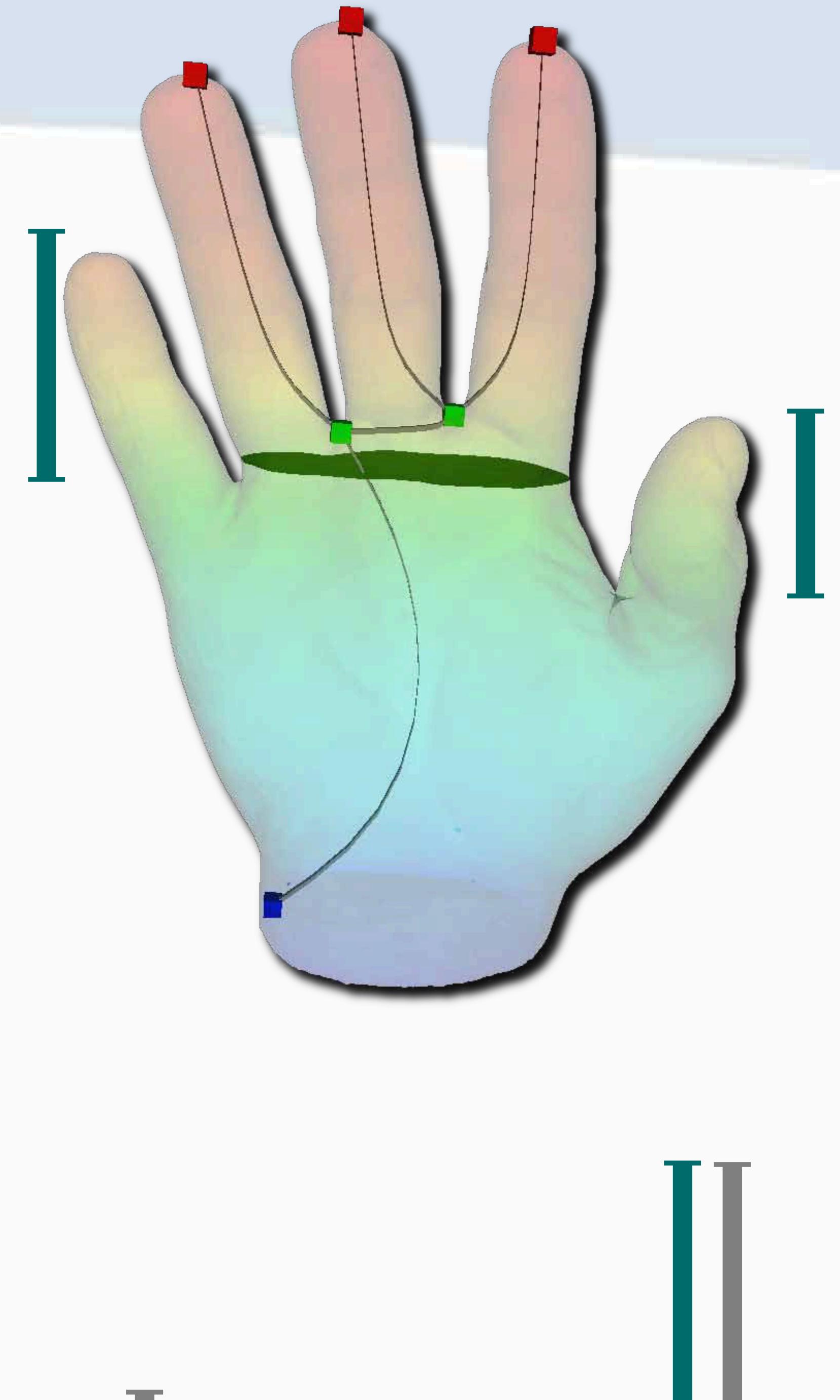
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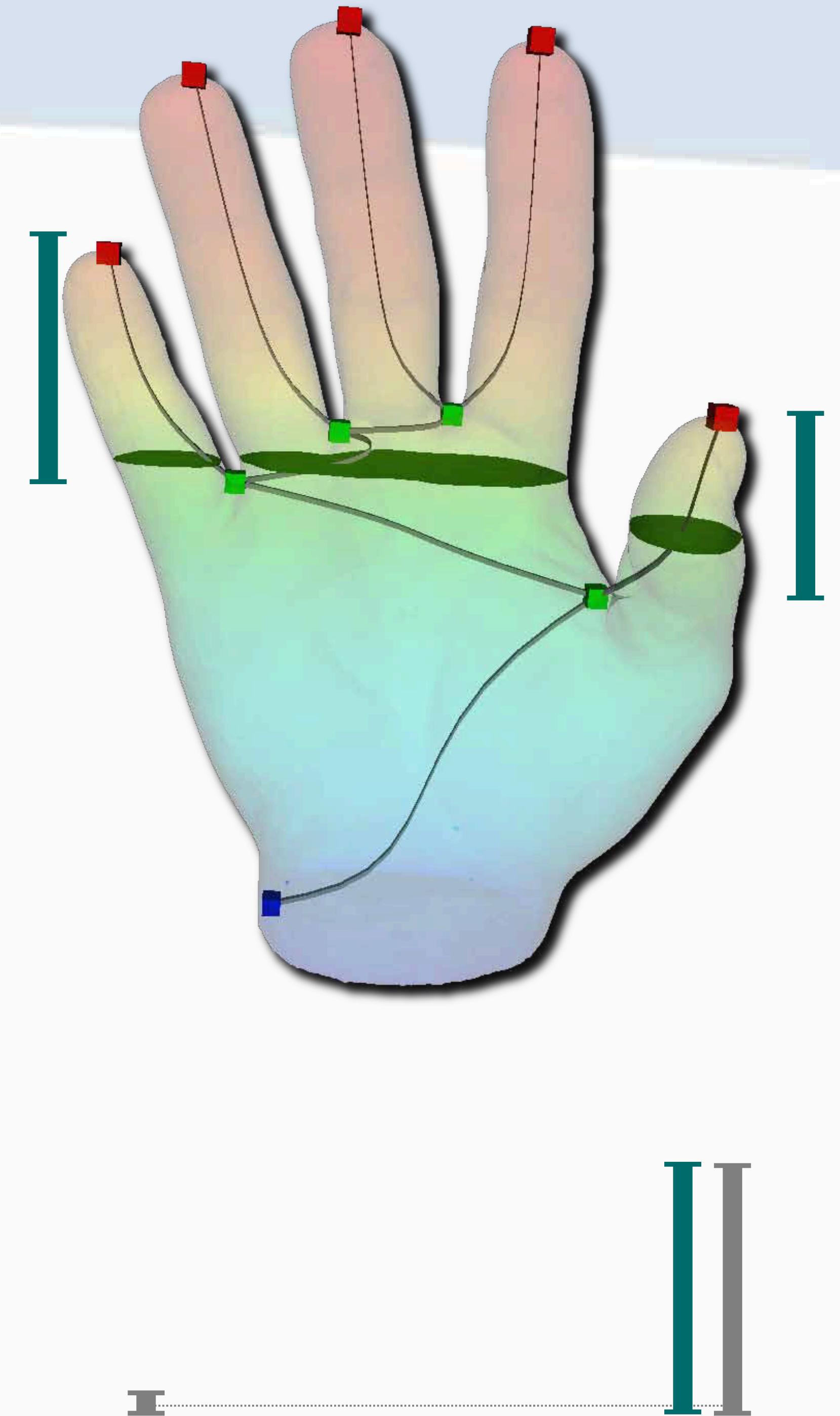
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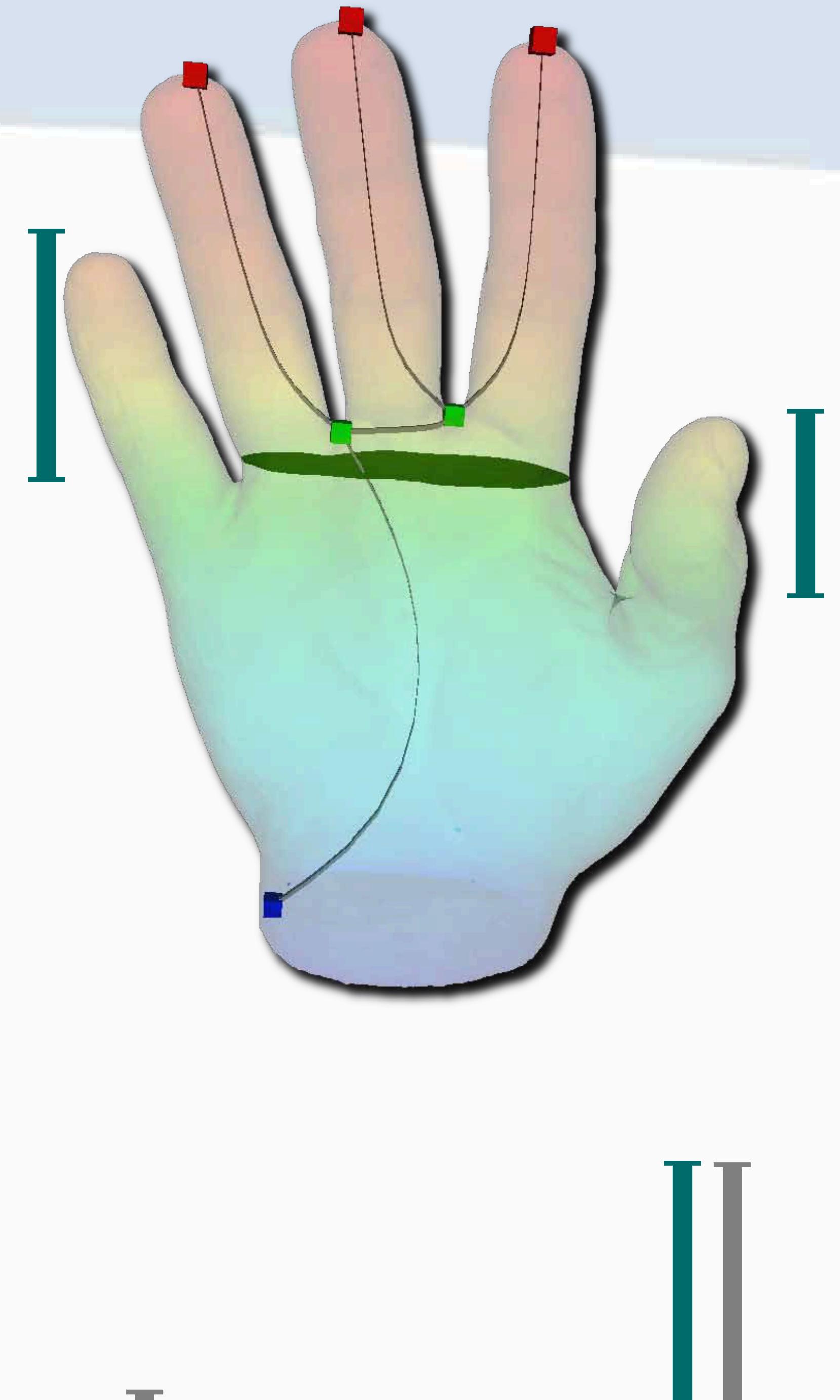
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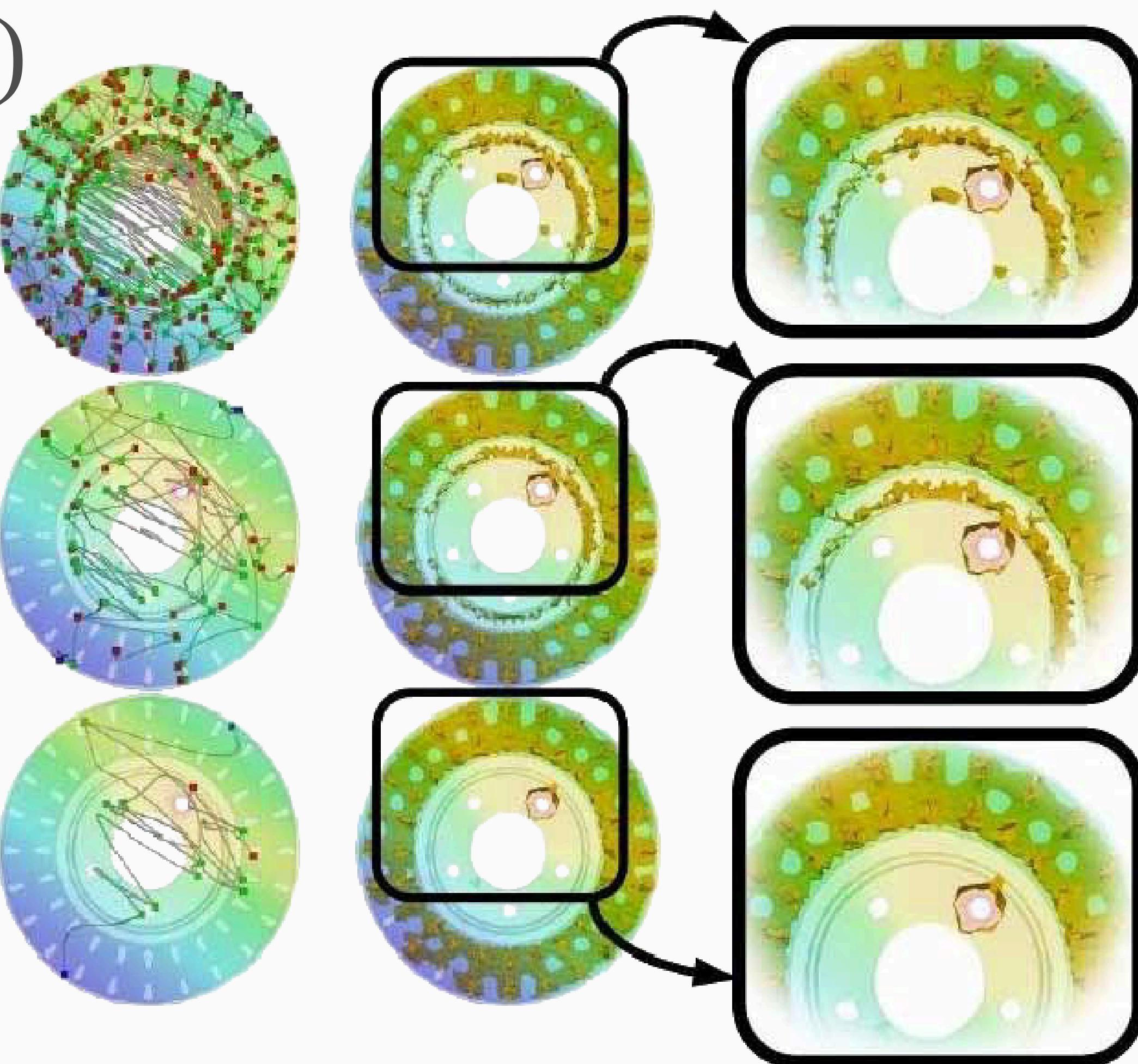
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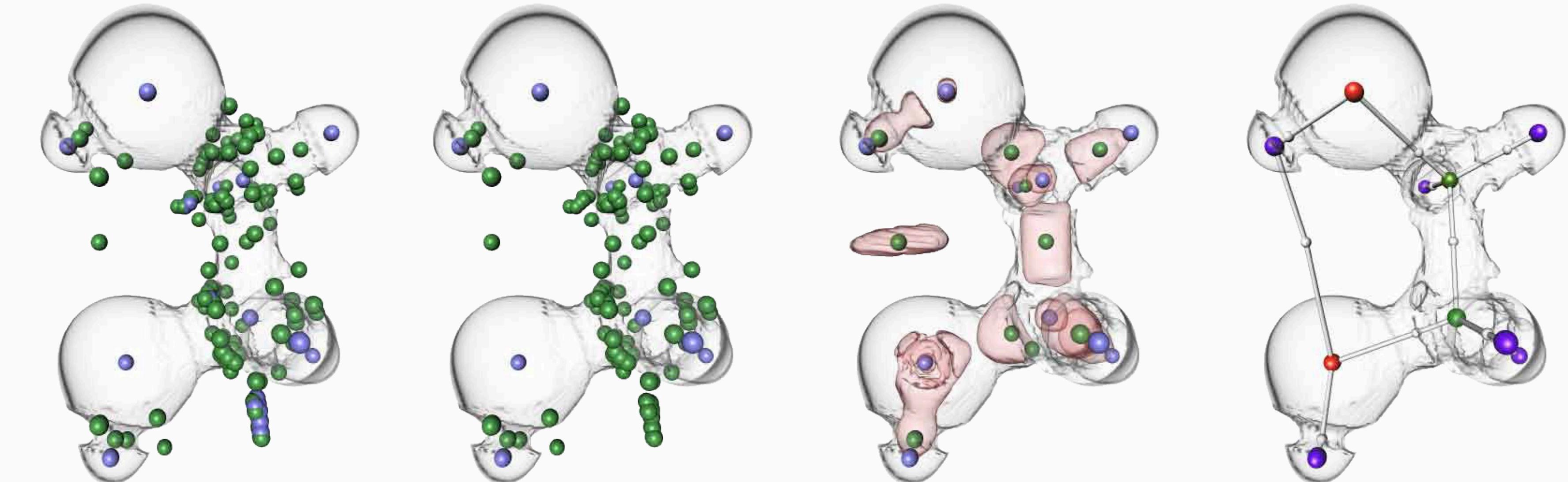
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[Tierny et al. VIS09]

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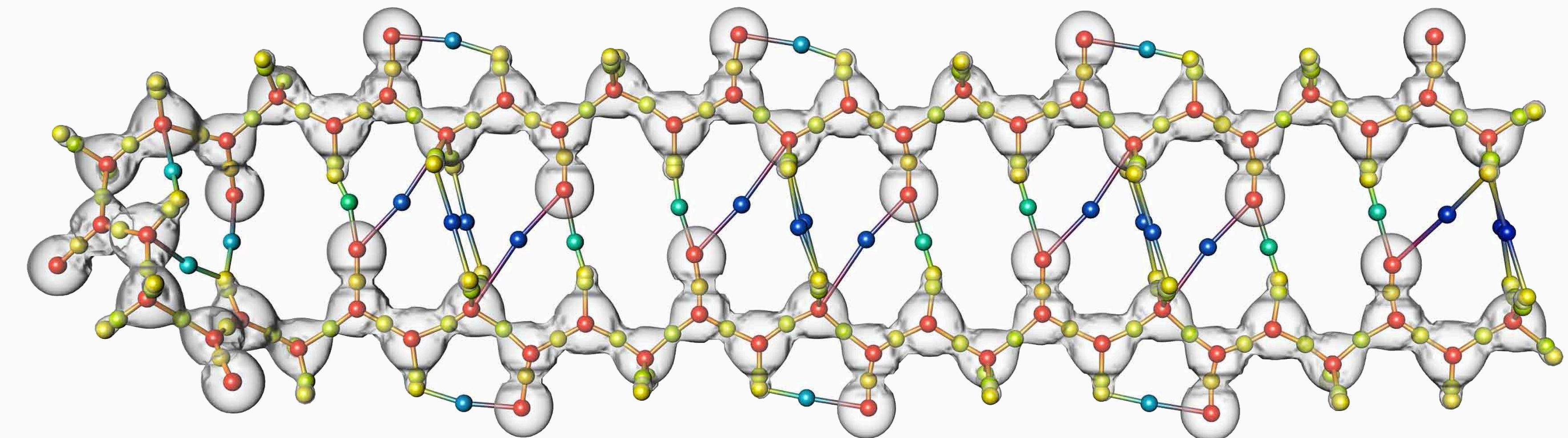
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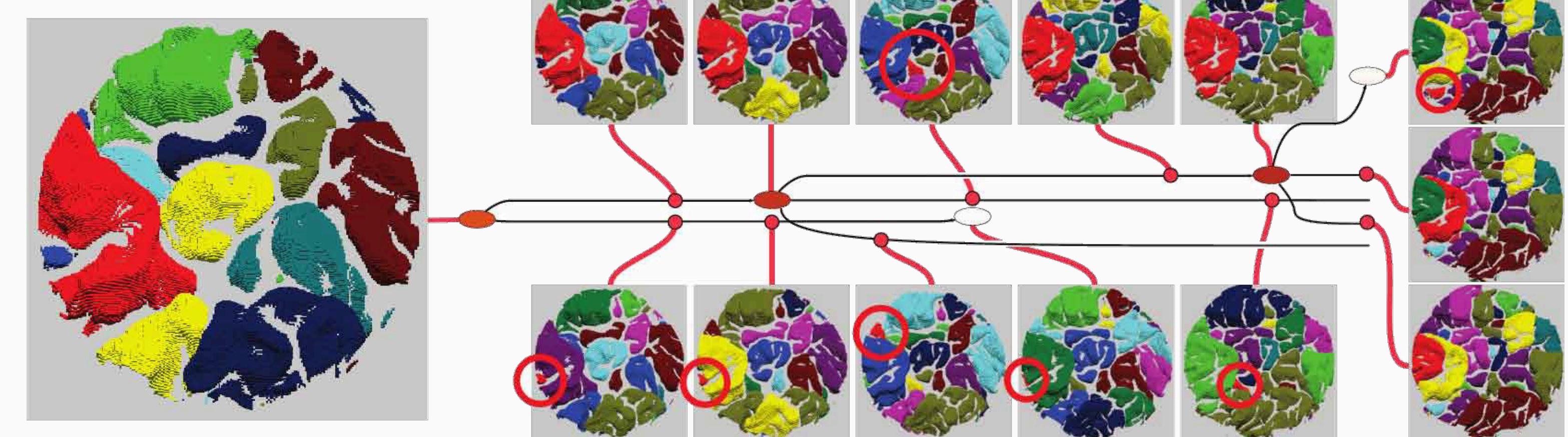
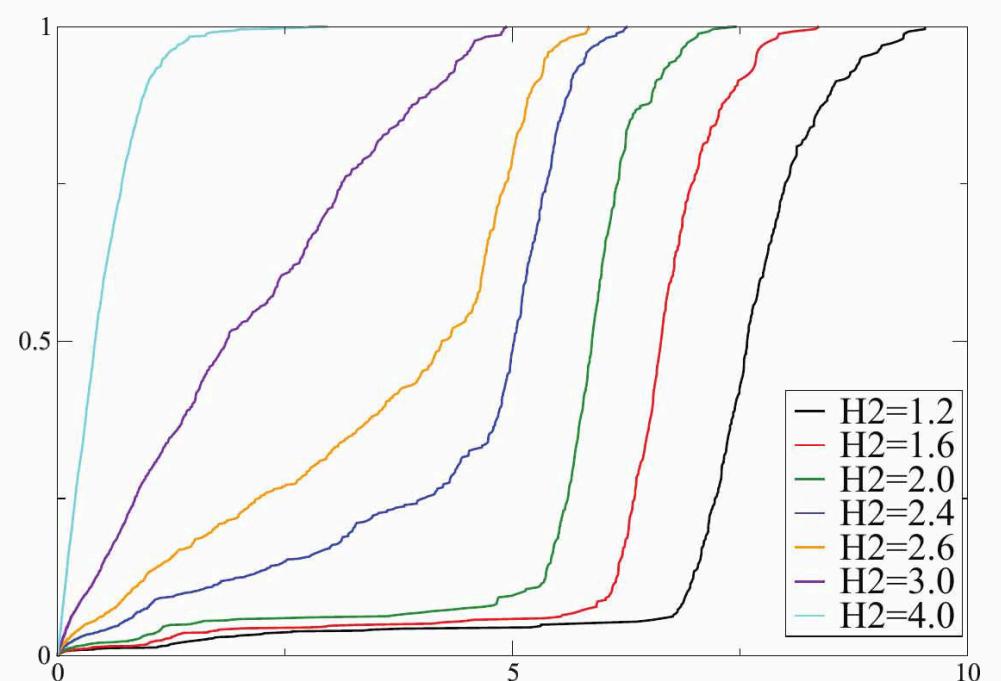
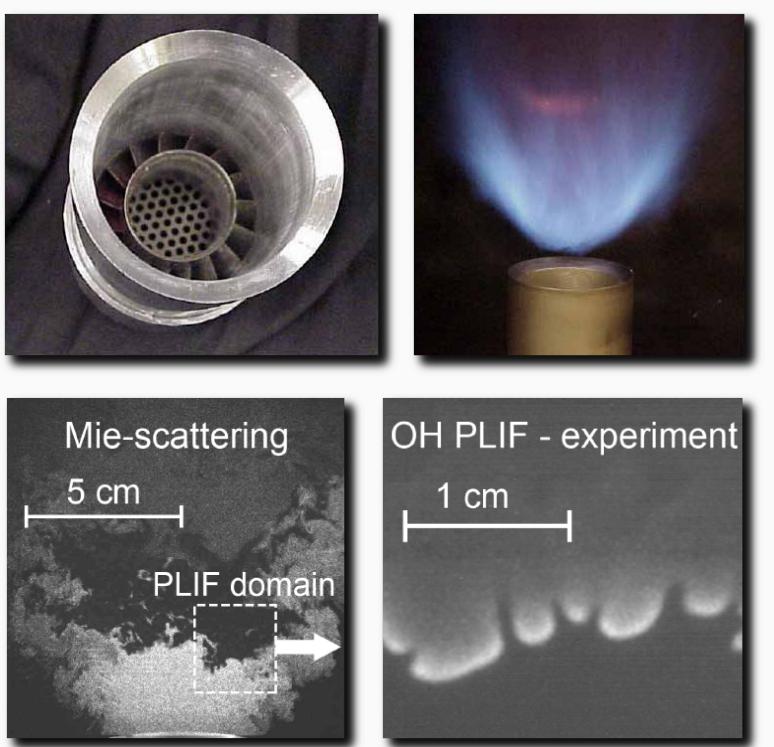
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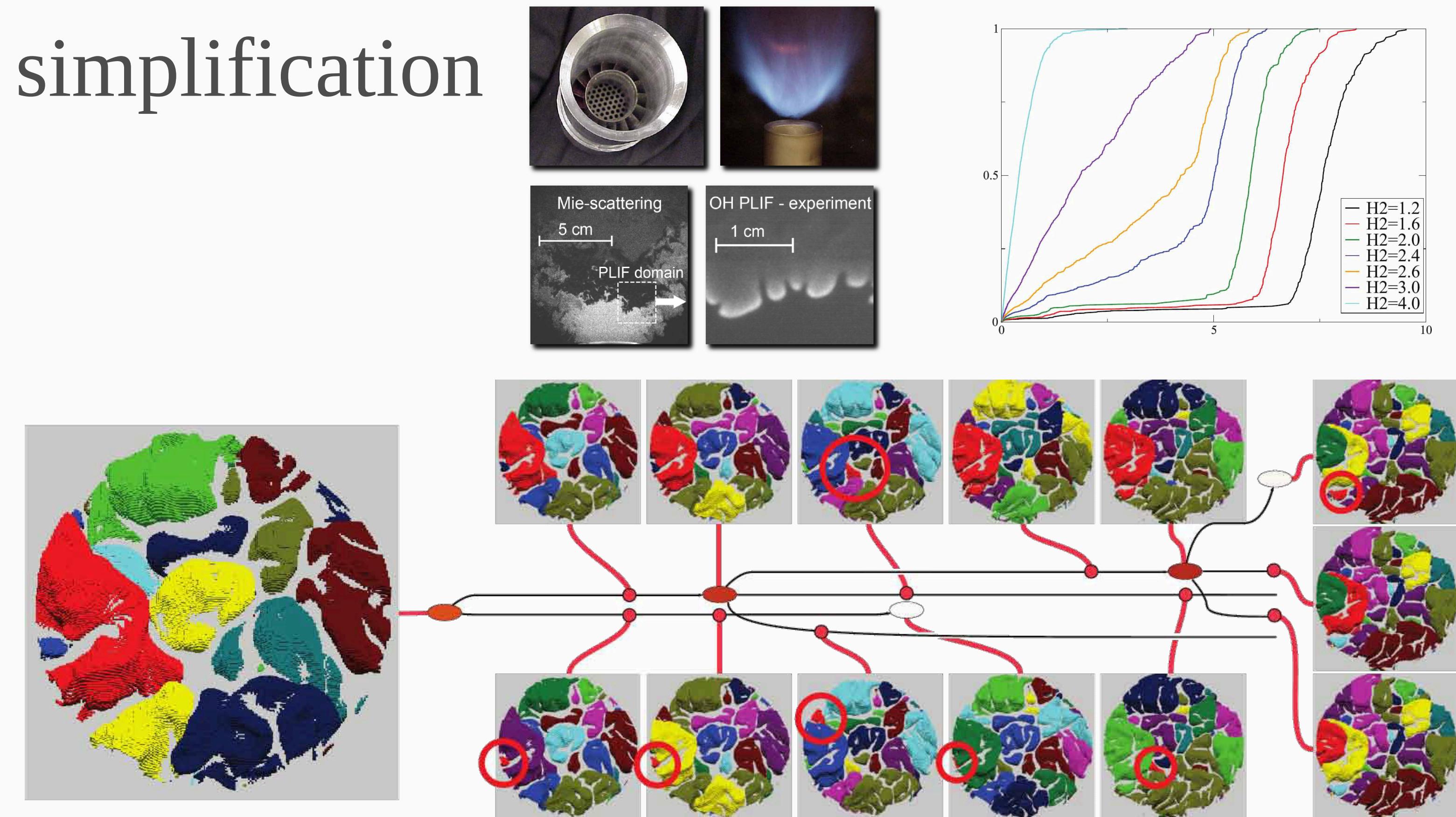
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[Bremer et al. TVGC11]

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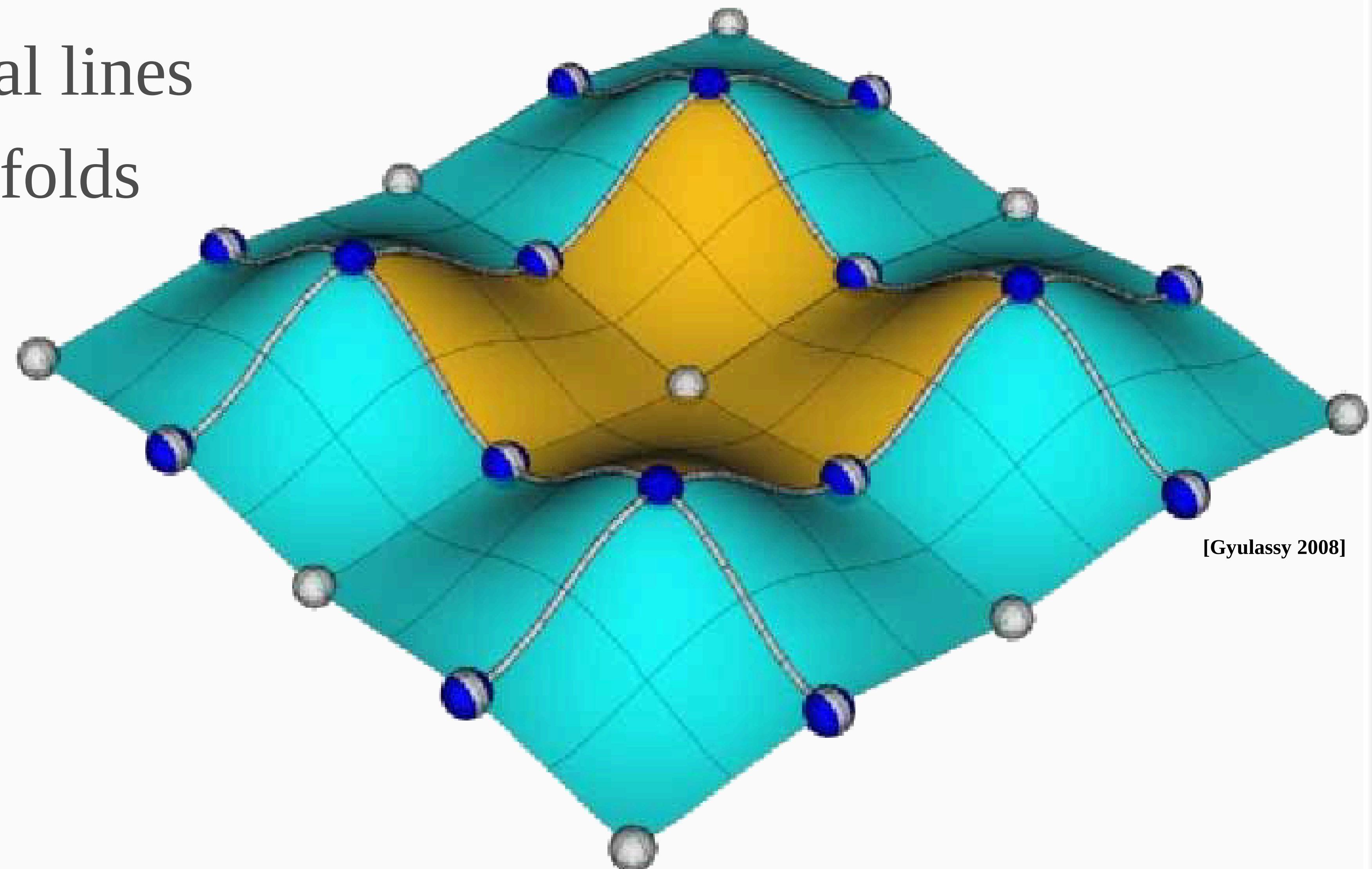
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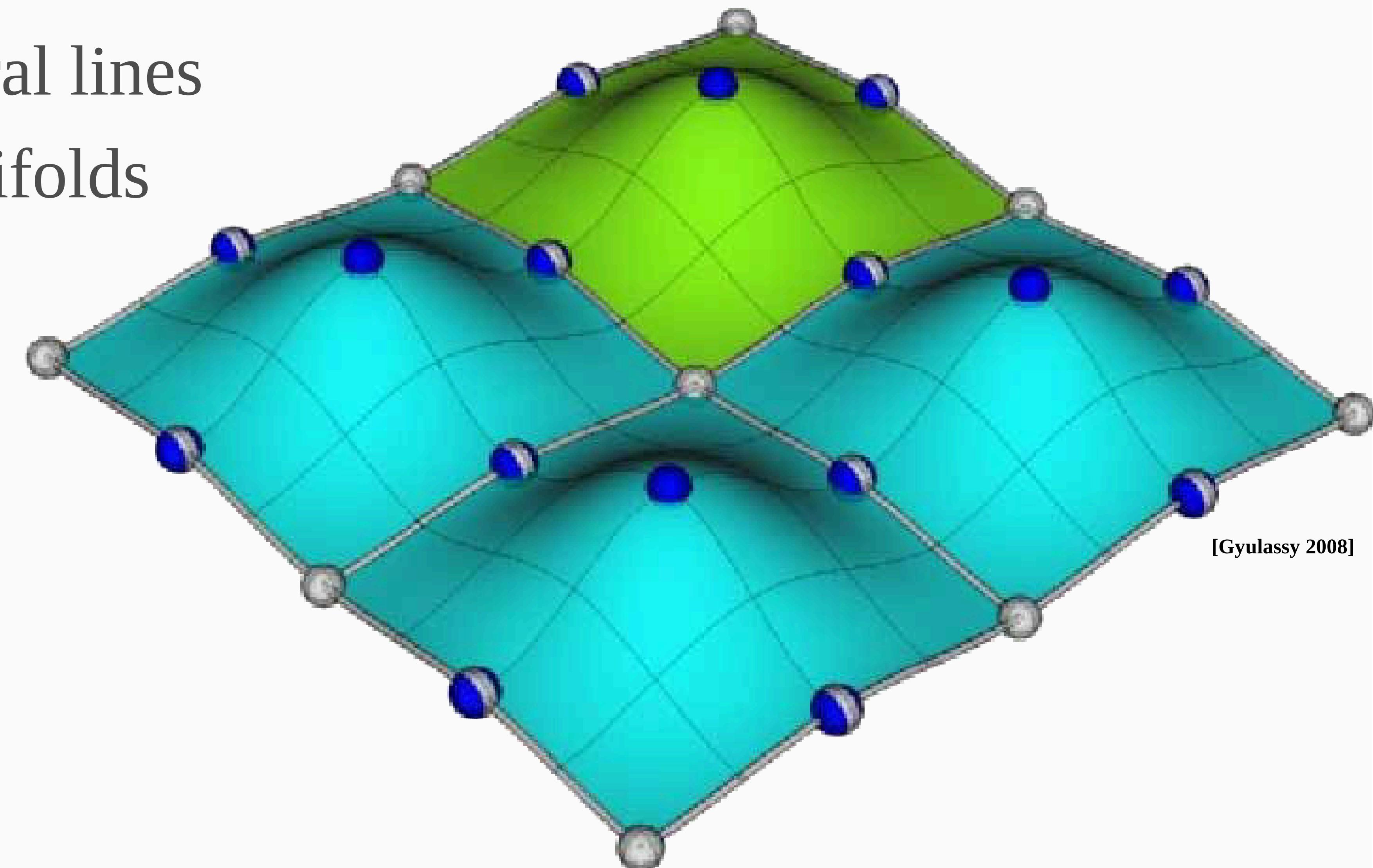
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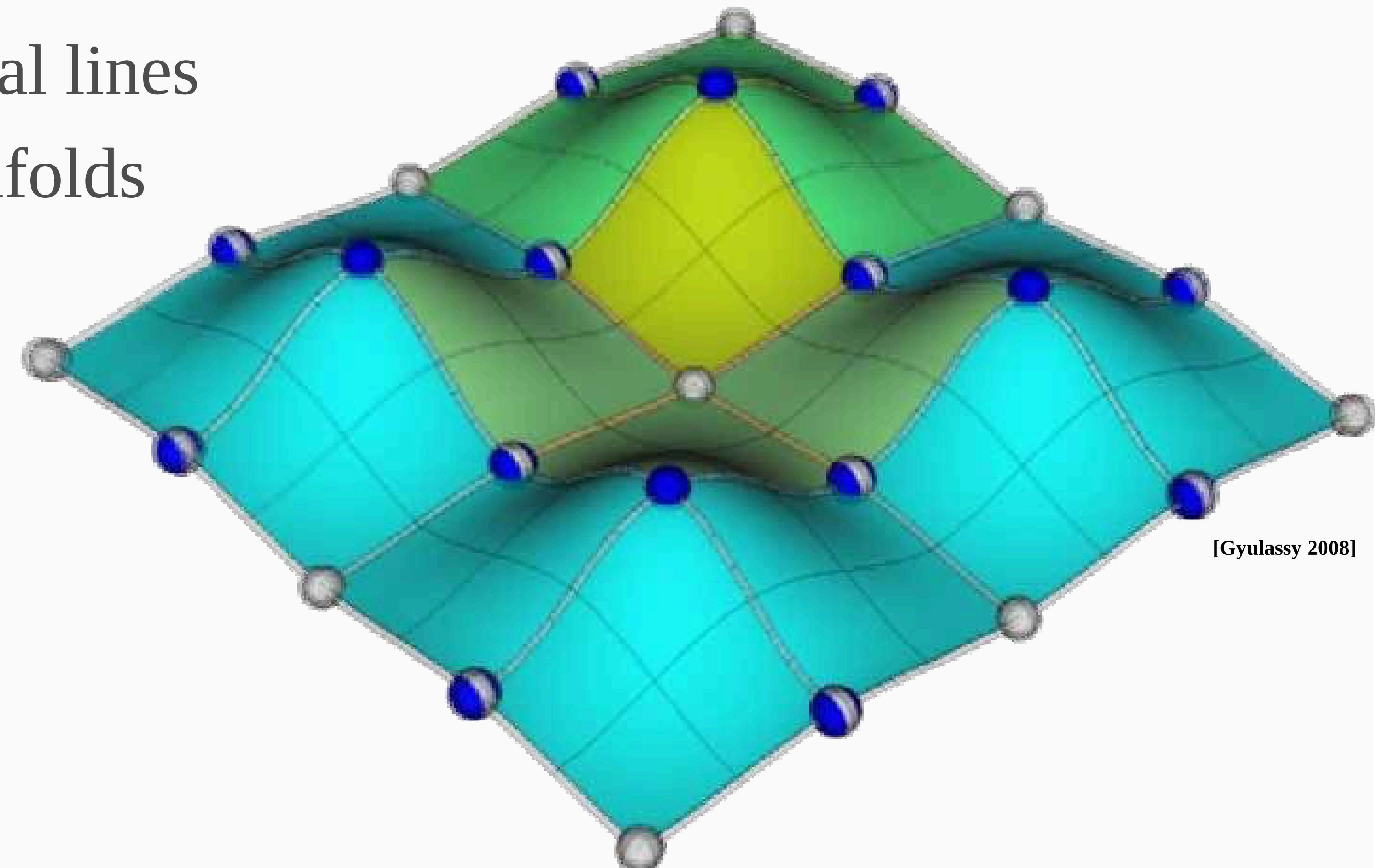
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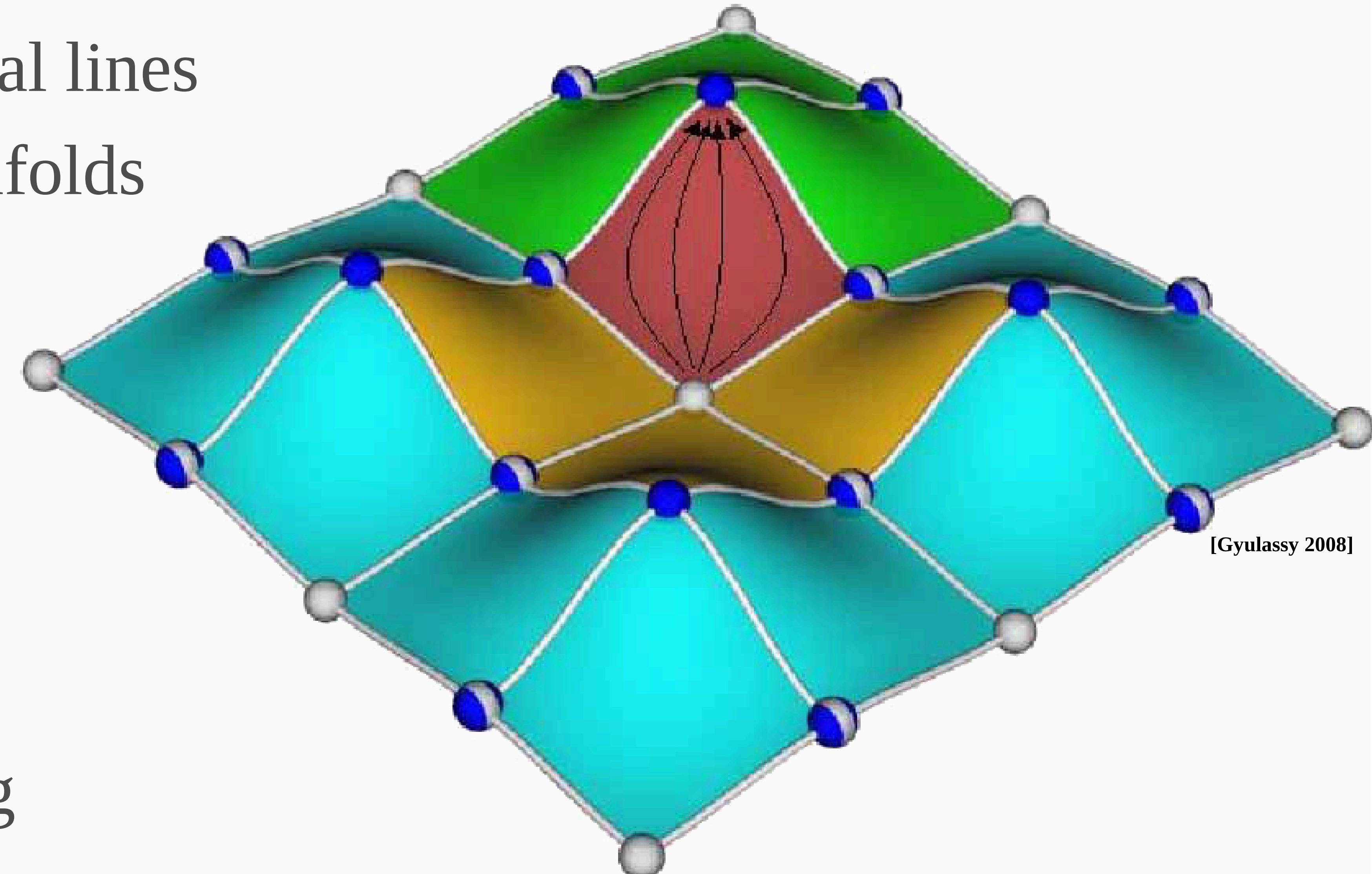
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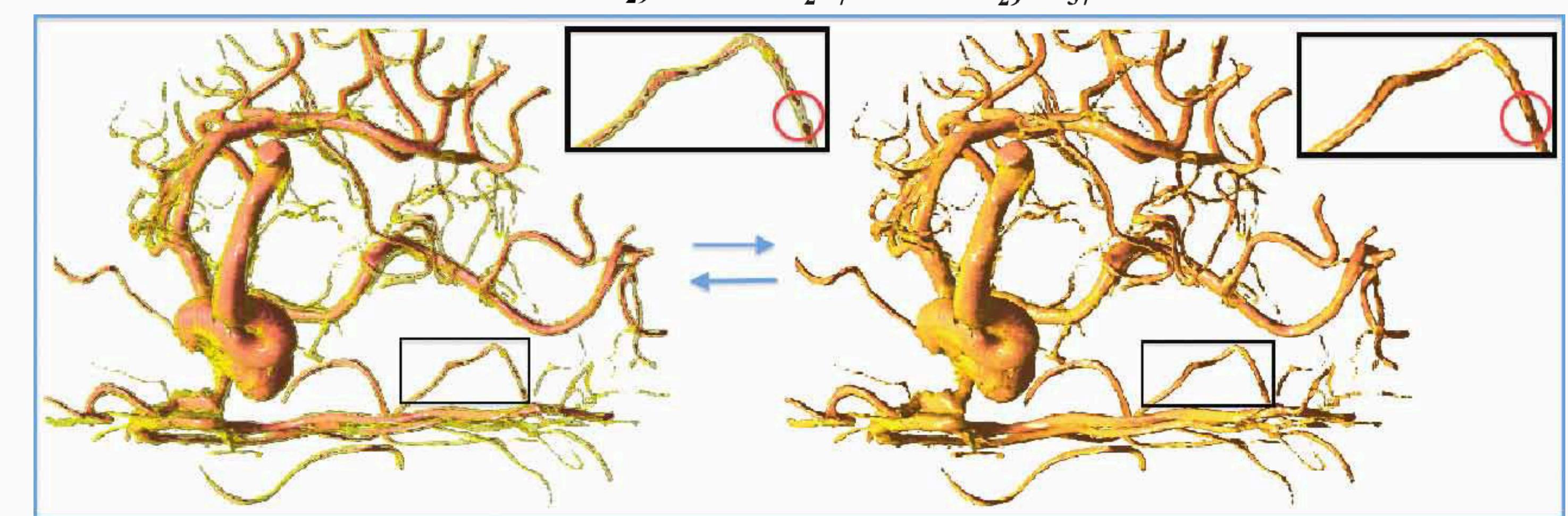
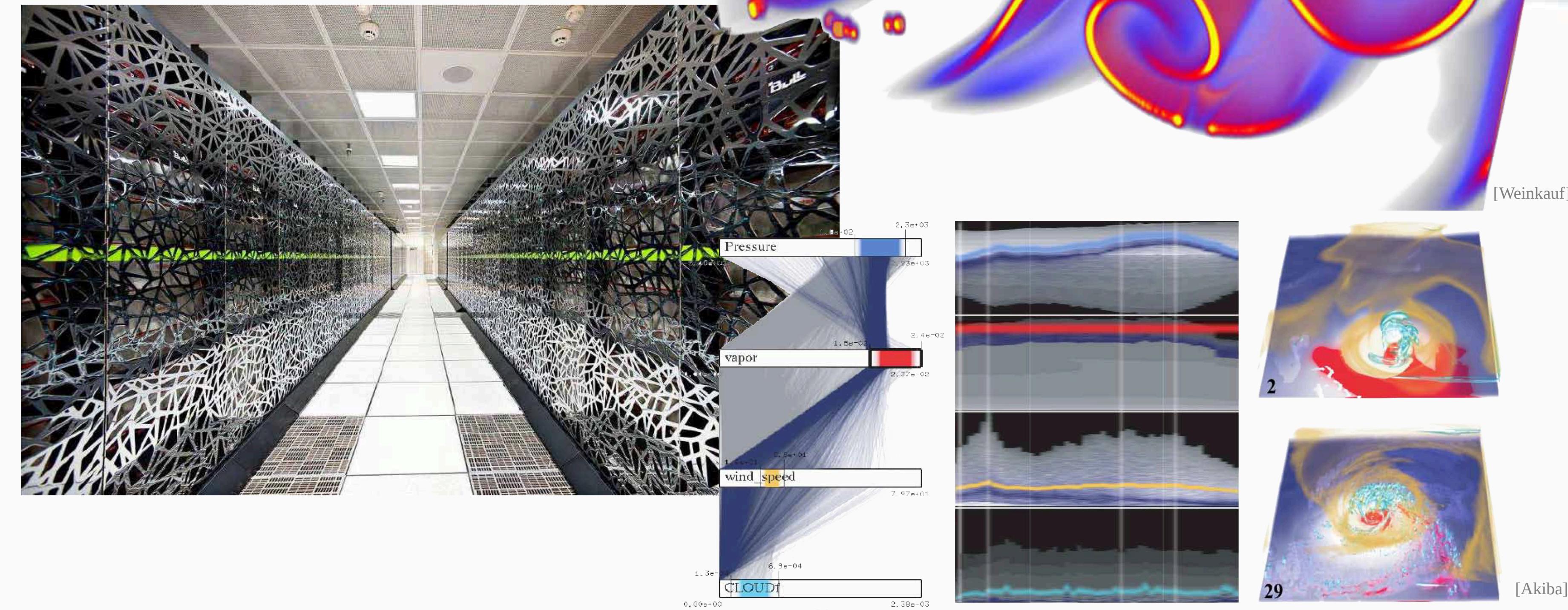
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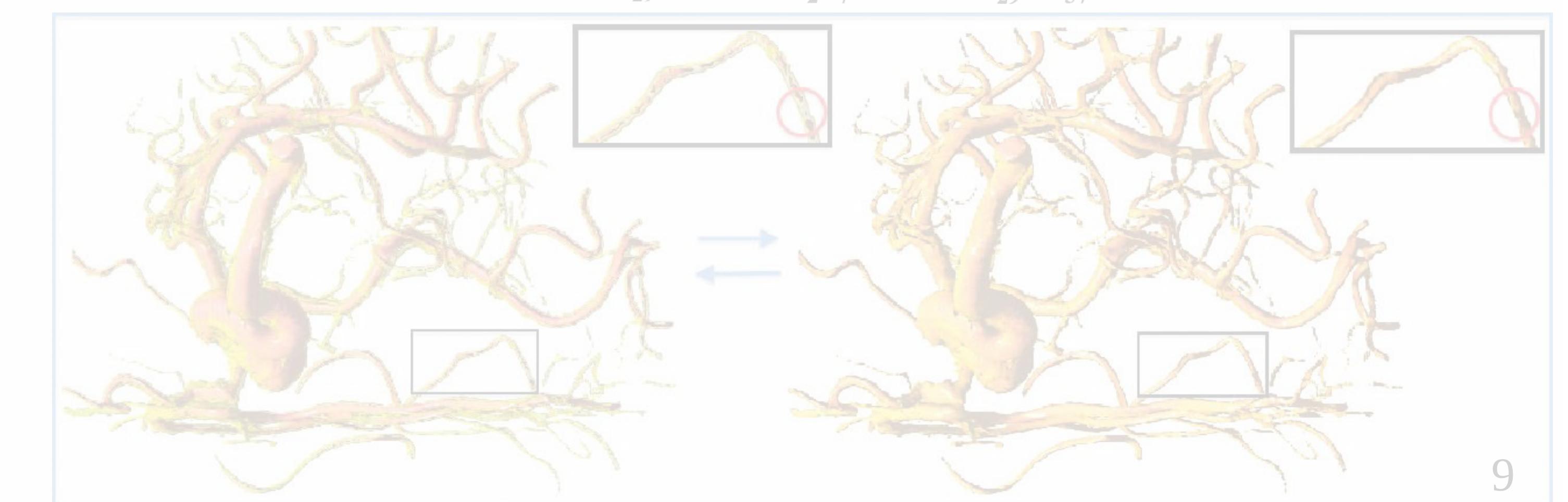
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**Overall, topological data analysis:  
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**... to reboot!**

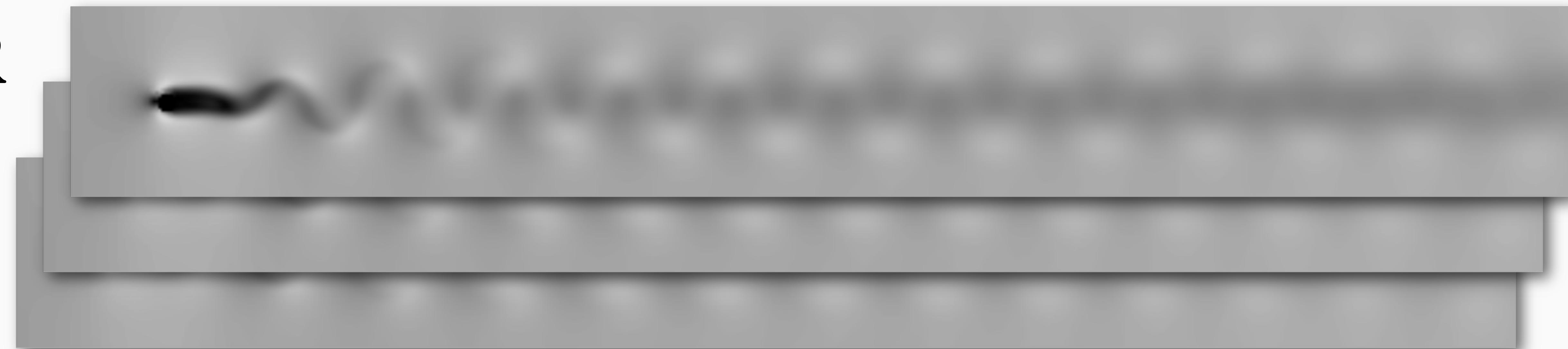


# Uncertainty in Scientific Data

- Omnipresent in Science
  - Acquisition imprecision
  - Numerical error propagation
  - Parameter studies

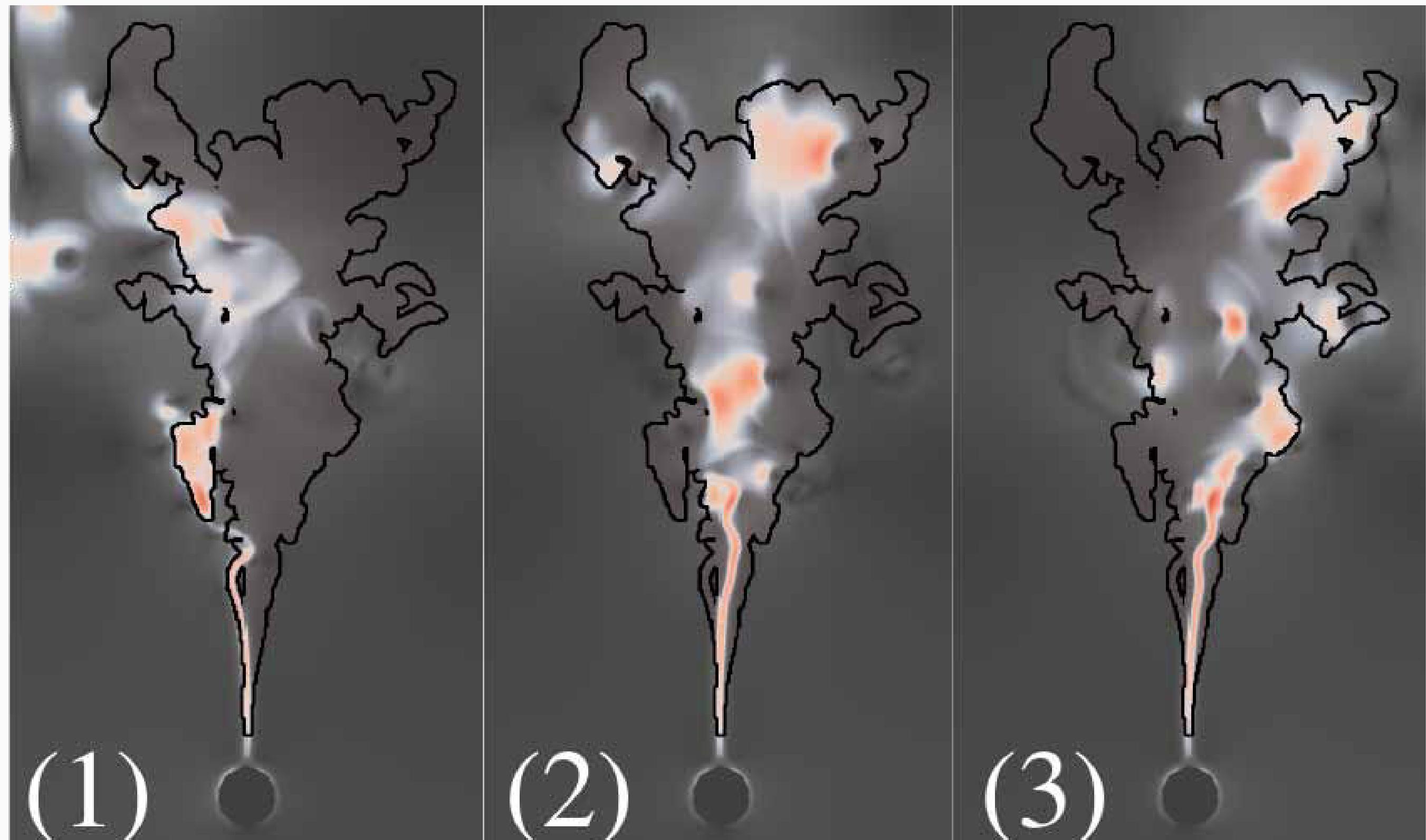


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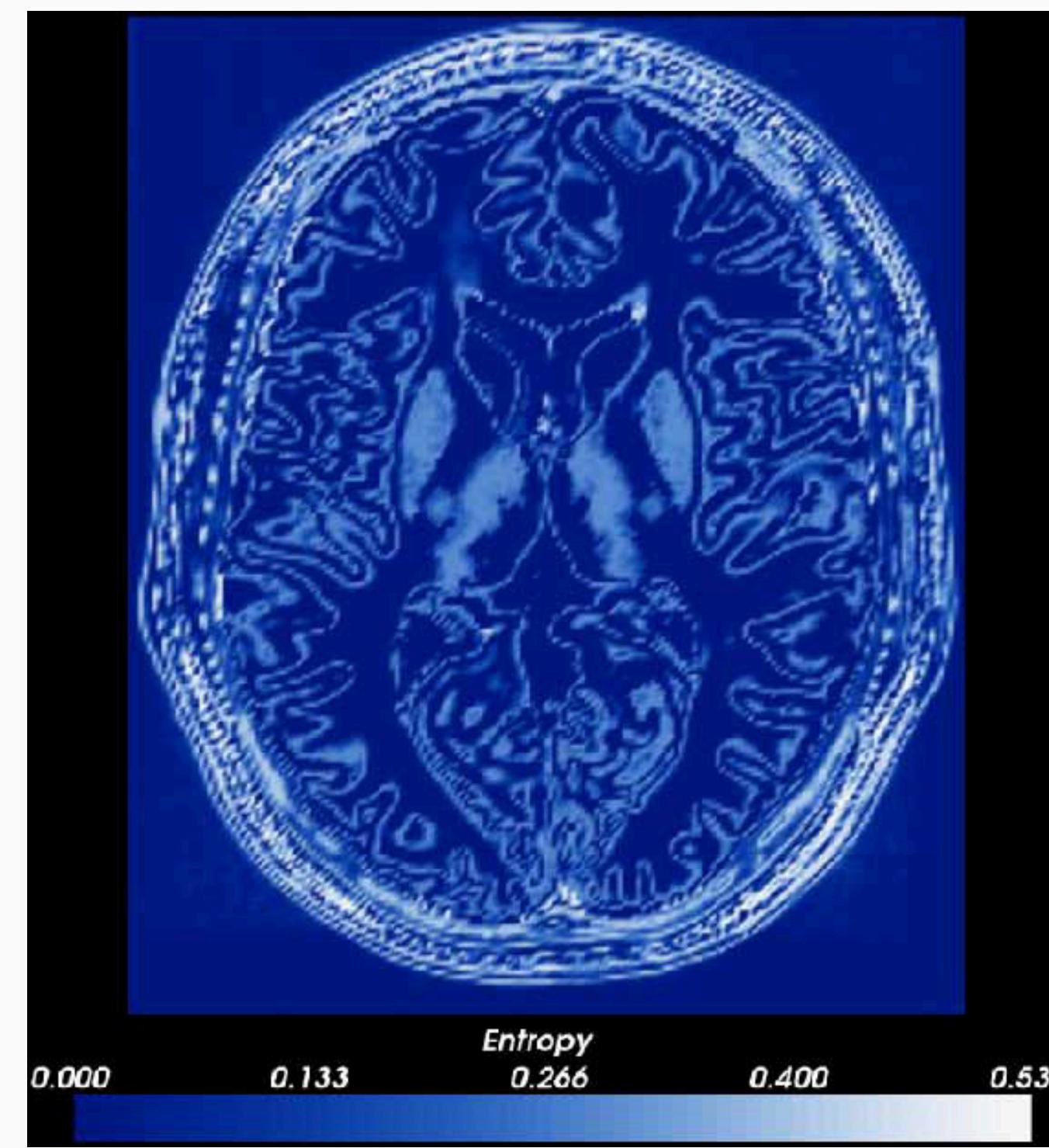
# Visualization Challenges

- Well studied in Scientific Computing
  - Visualization?
- Uncertainty insights
  - Value uncertainty
  - Positional uncertainty
- Data insights
  - Assessments despite the uncertainty
  - Infinitely-many...
    - Uncertain data-set **as a whole**

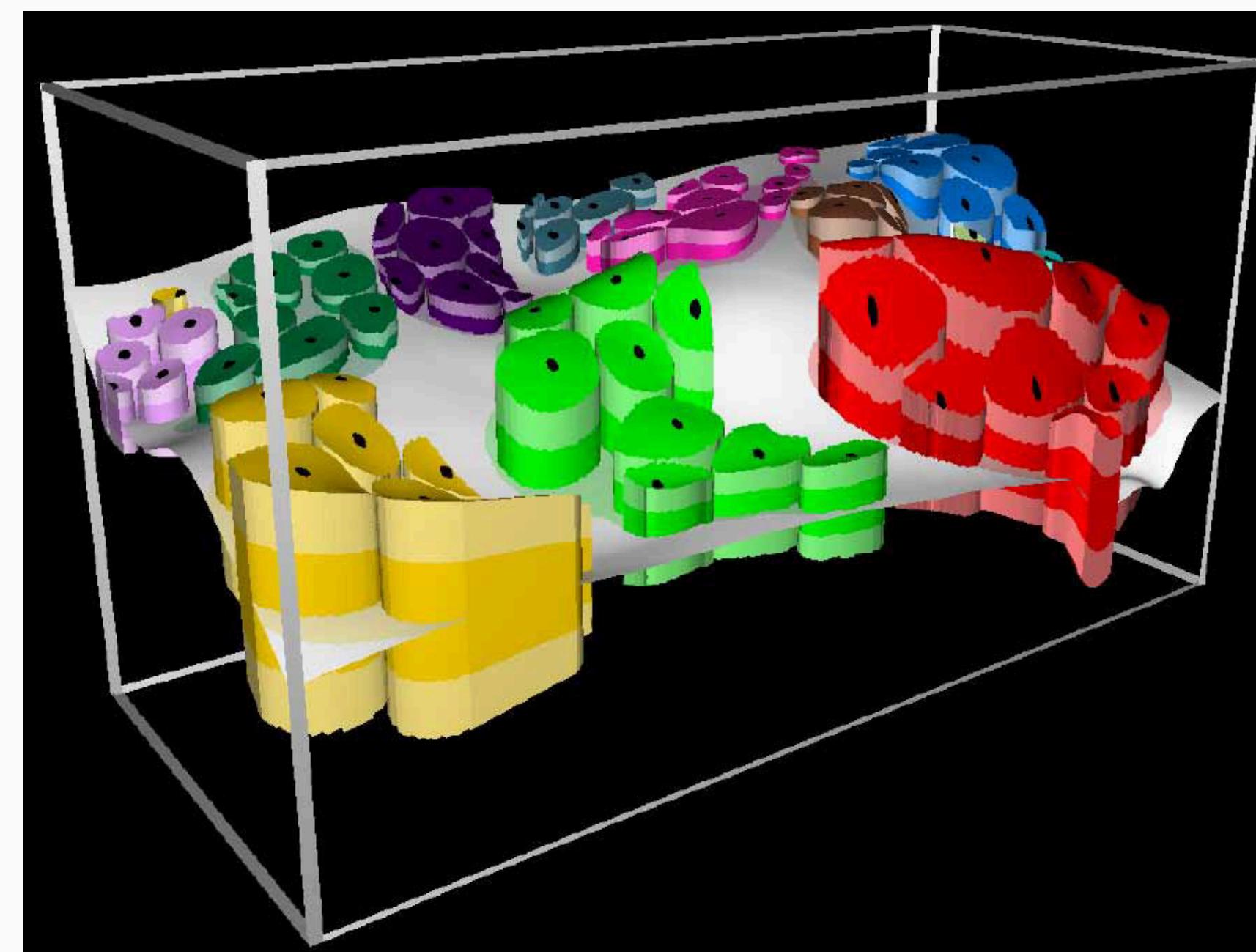


# Uncertainty in Visualization

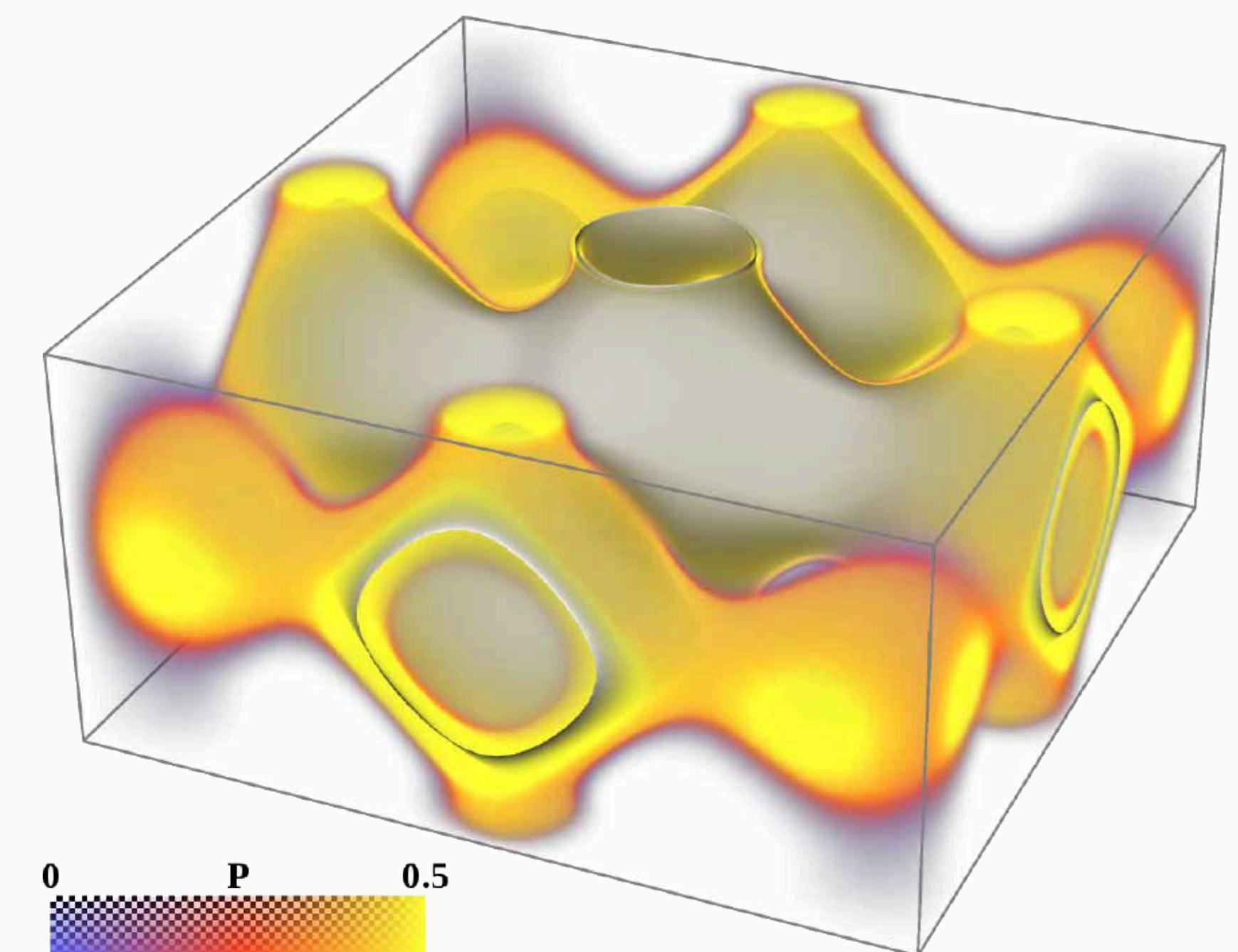
- Qualitative evaluation of positional uncertainty



[Potter et al., IEEE Comp. Graph. App. 2013]



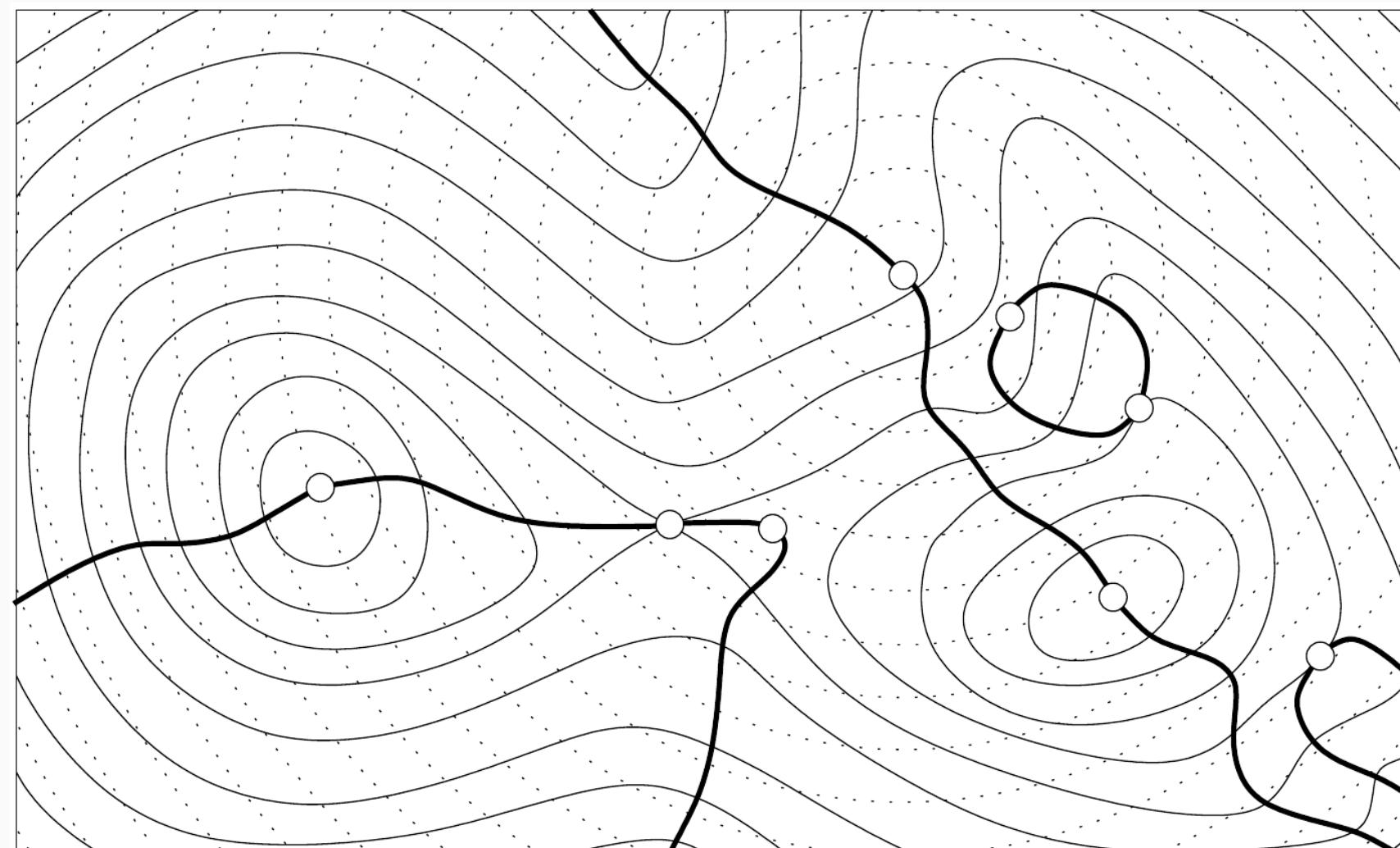
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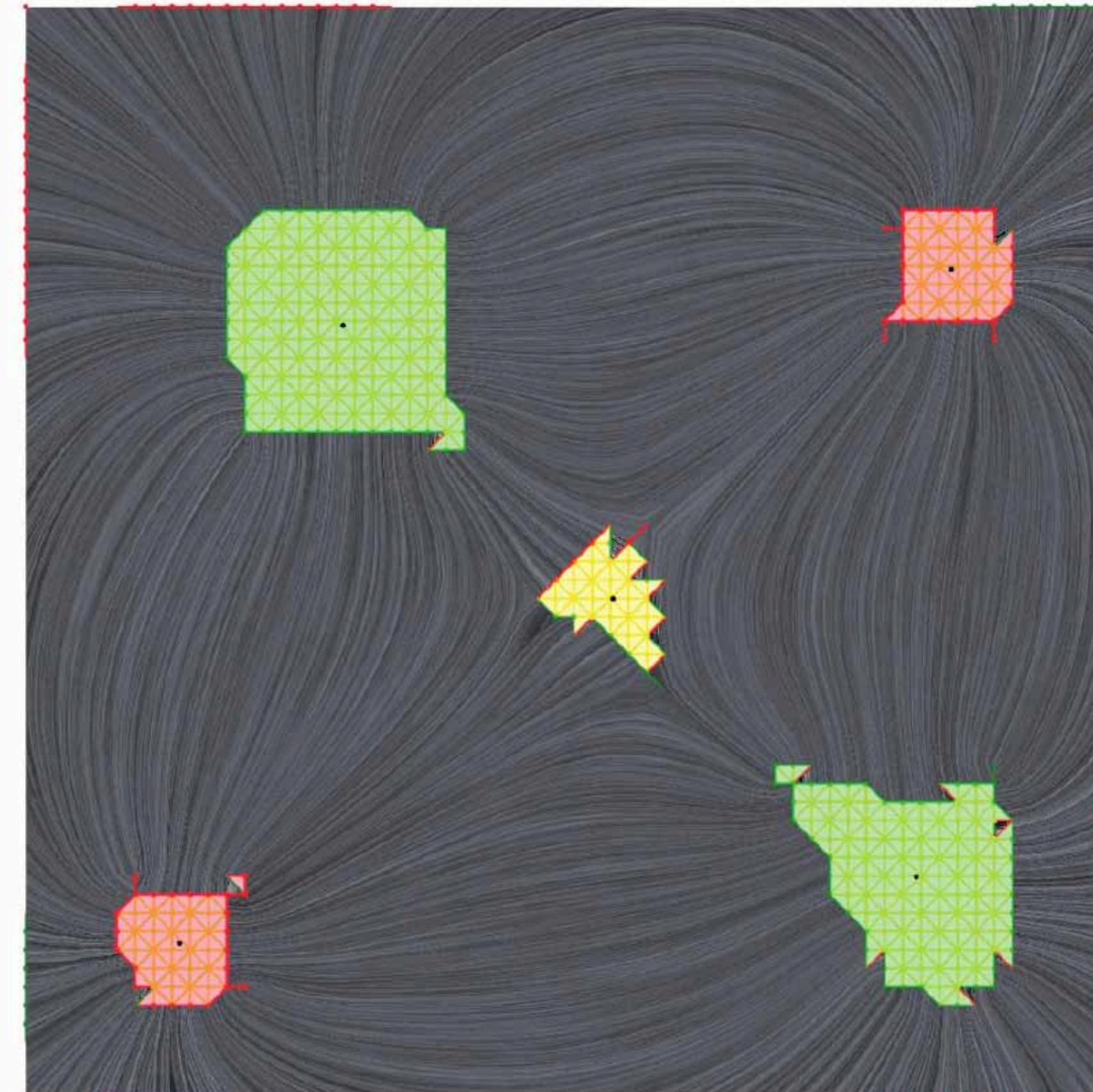
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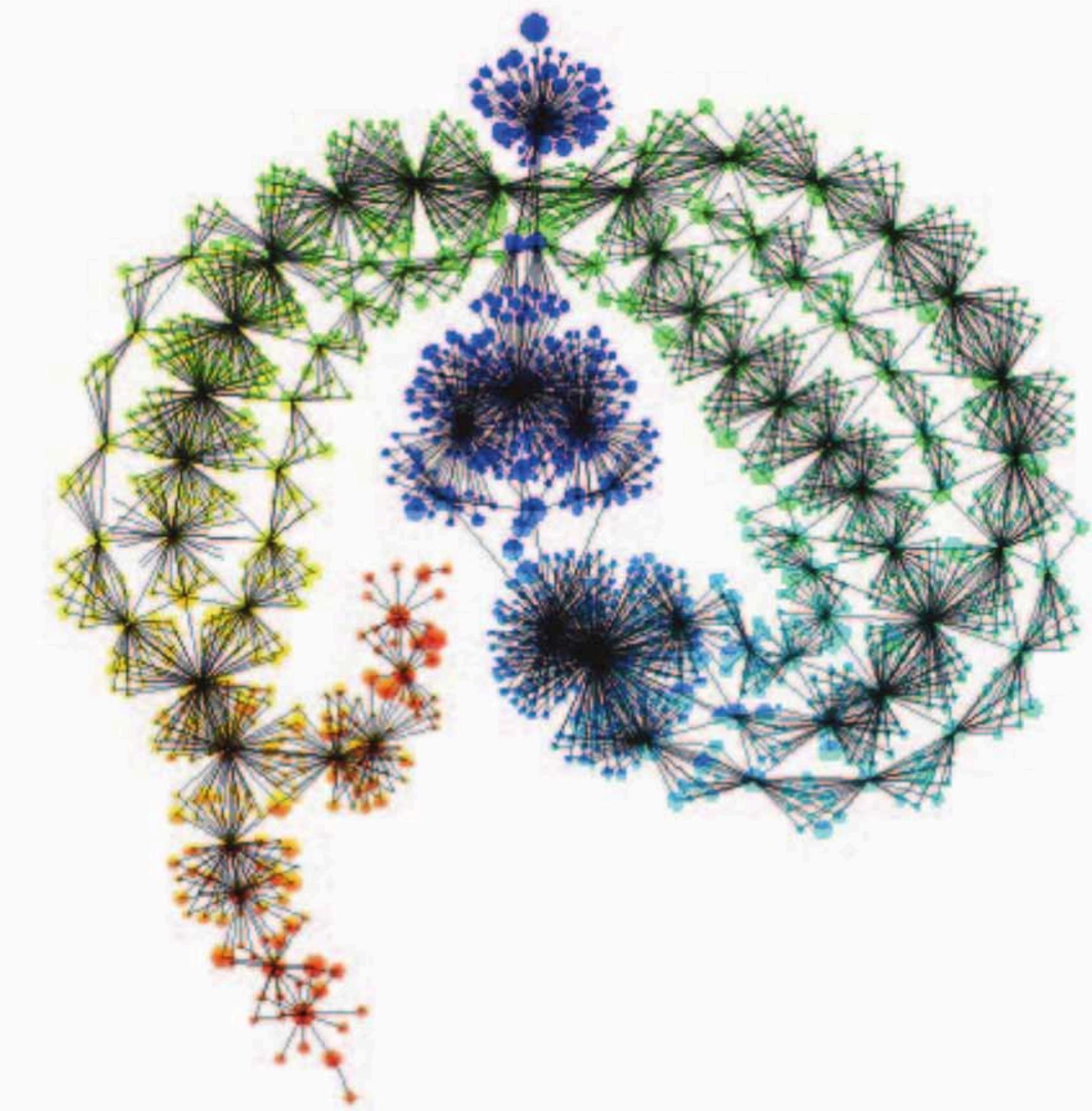
- Multiple scalar fields



[Hedelsbrunner04]



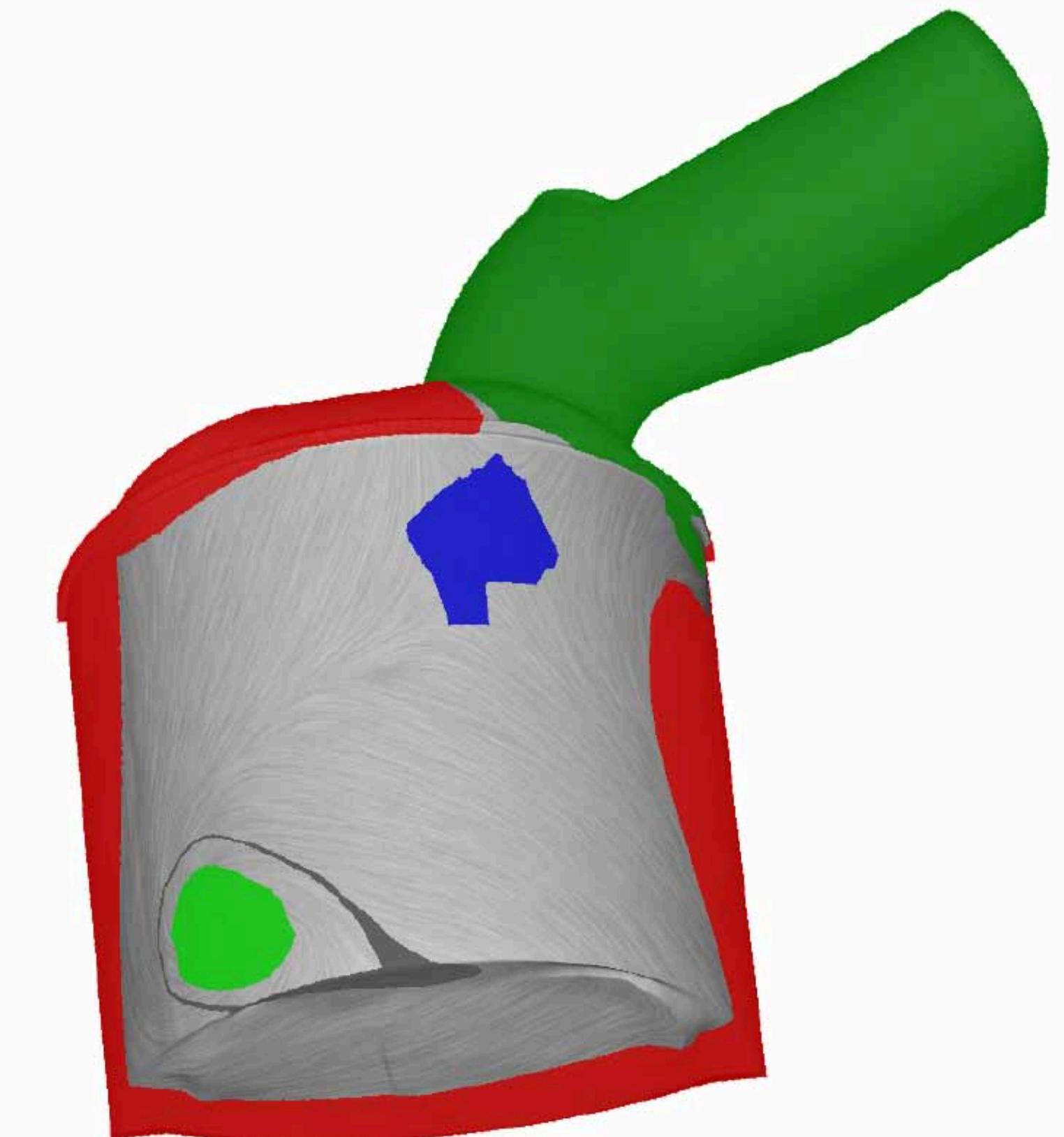
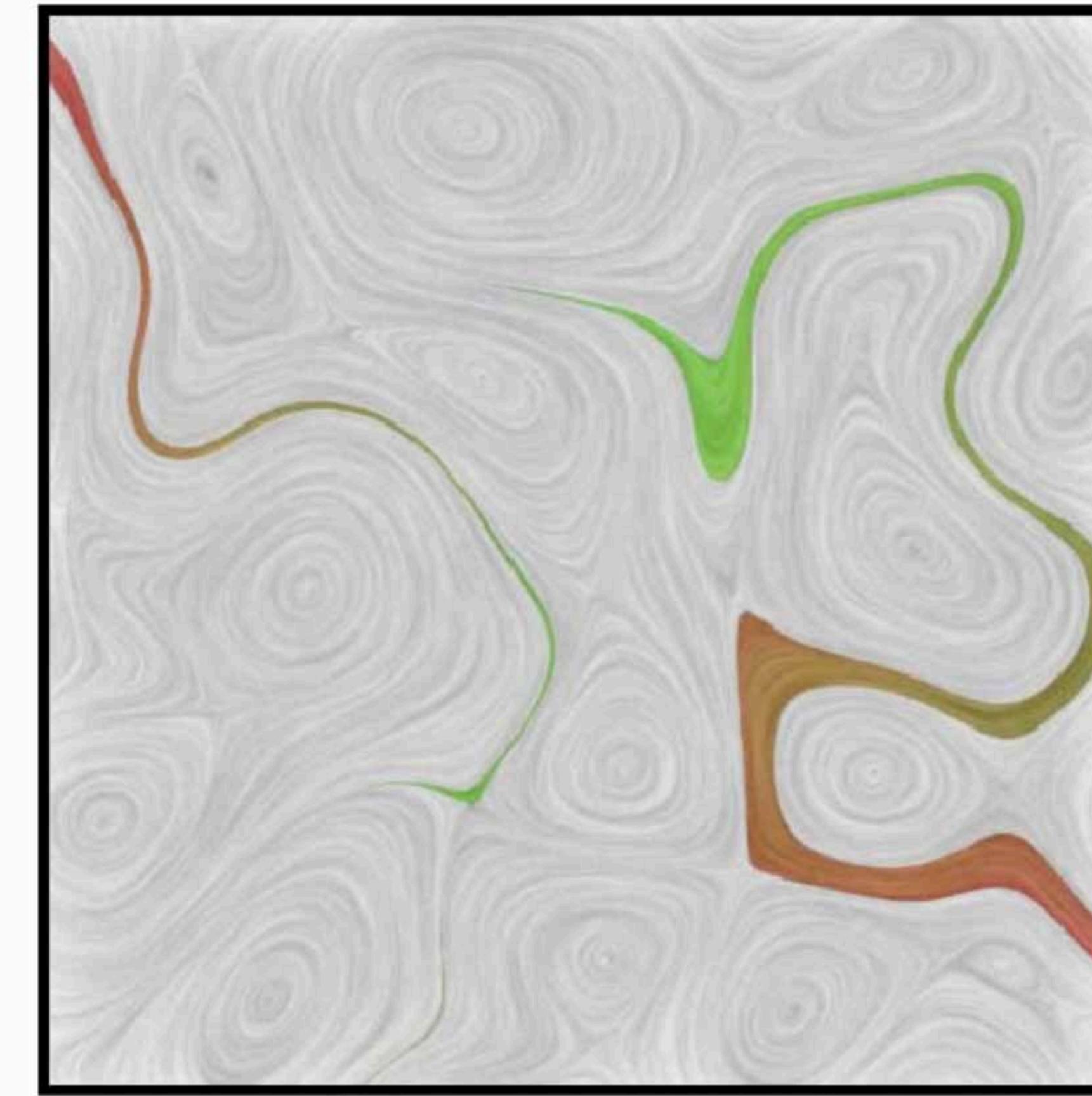
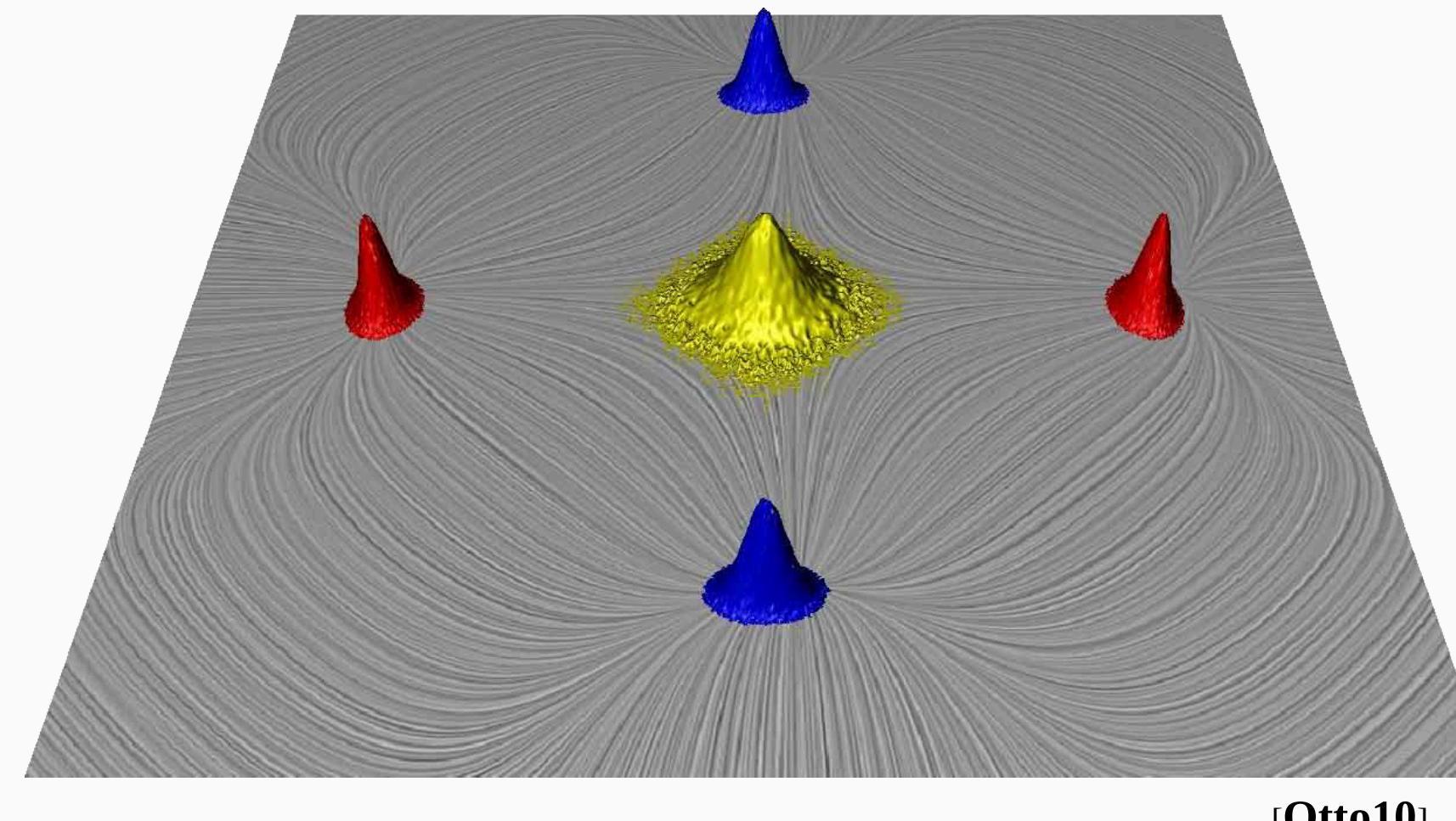
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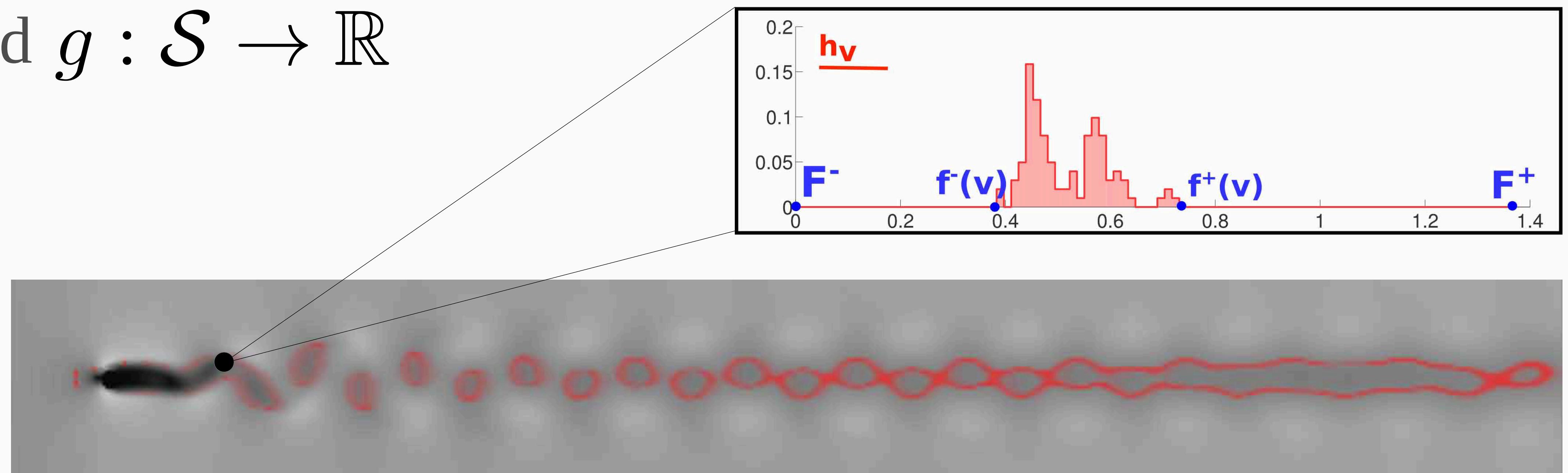


# Contributions

- A non-local characterization of *mandatory* critical points;
- A combinatorial algorithm for their extraction;
- A tree representation capturing their global relation;
- A mandatory critical point pair simplification scheme.

# Data Representation

- Triangulated domain:  $\mathcal{S} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$
- Uncertain Scalar Field  $F$ 
  - Random Variable  $F(v) \quad \forall v \in \mathcal{S}$
  - Compact support  $f^- : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f^+ : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- Realization Field  $g : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

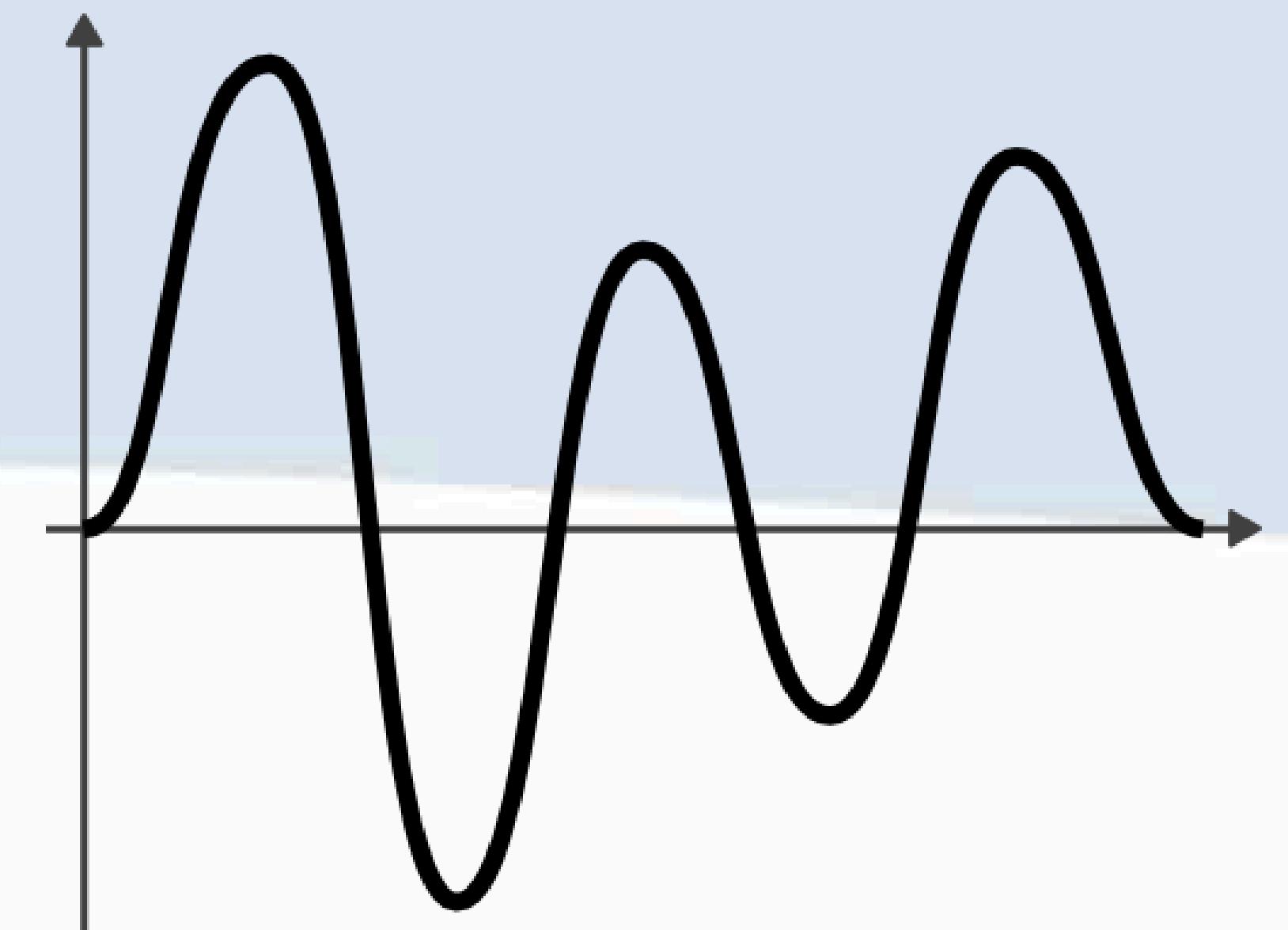


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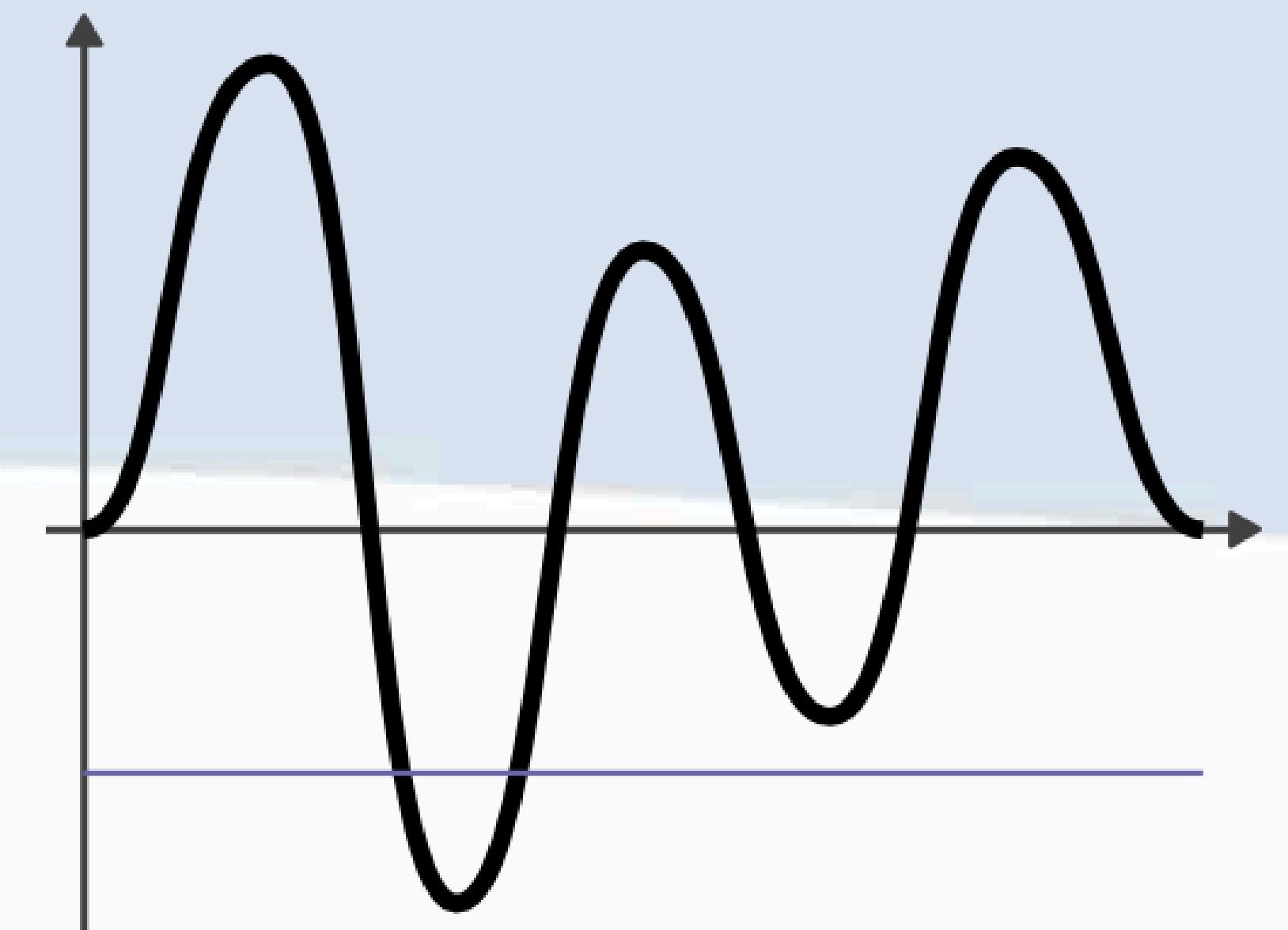
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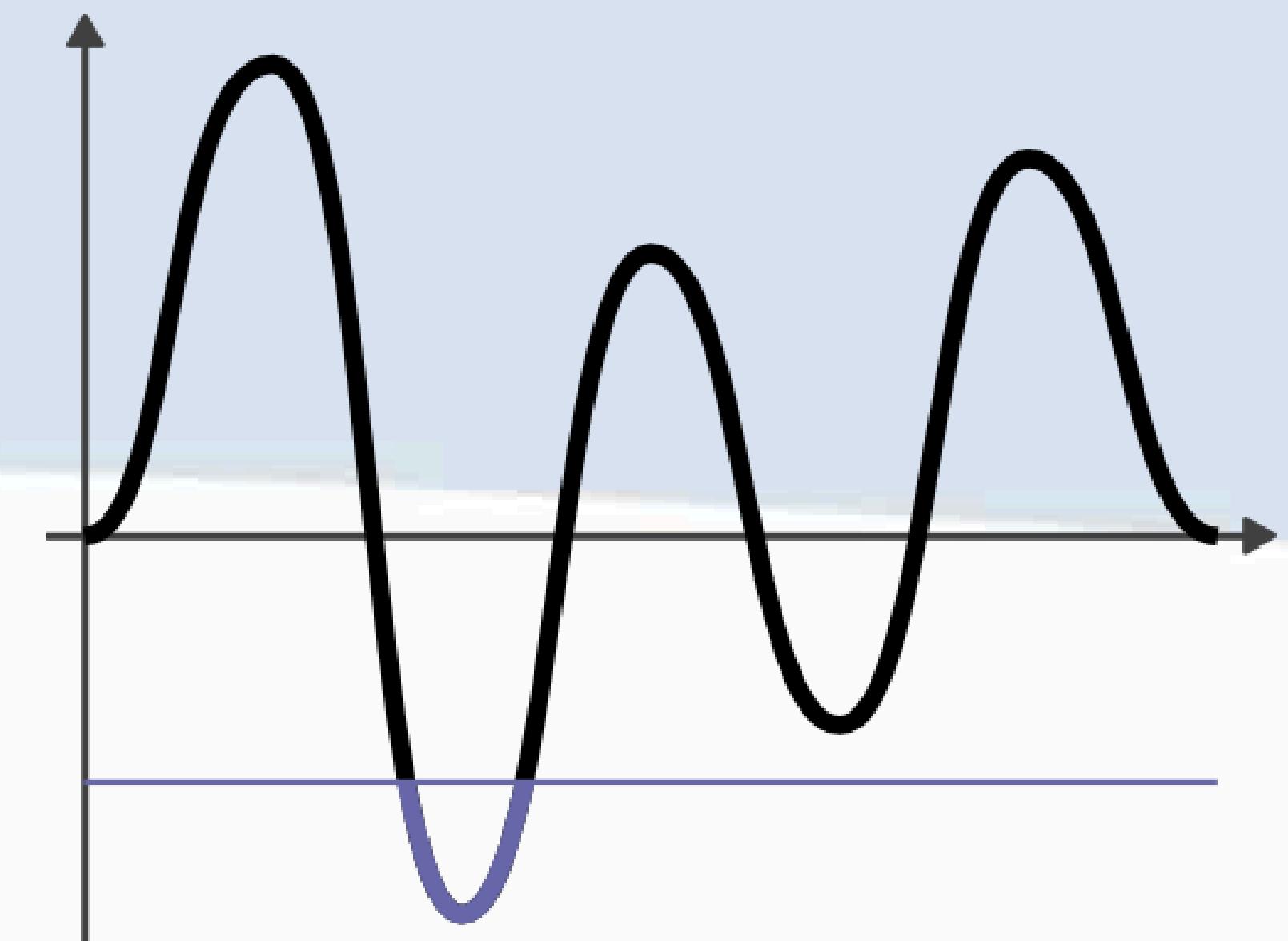
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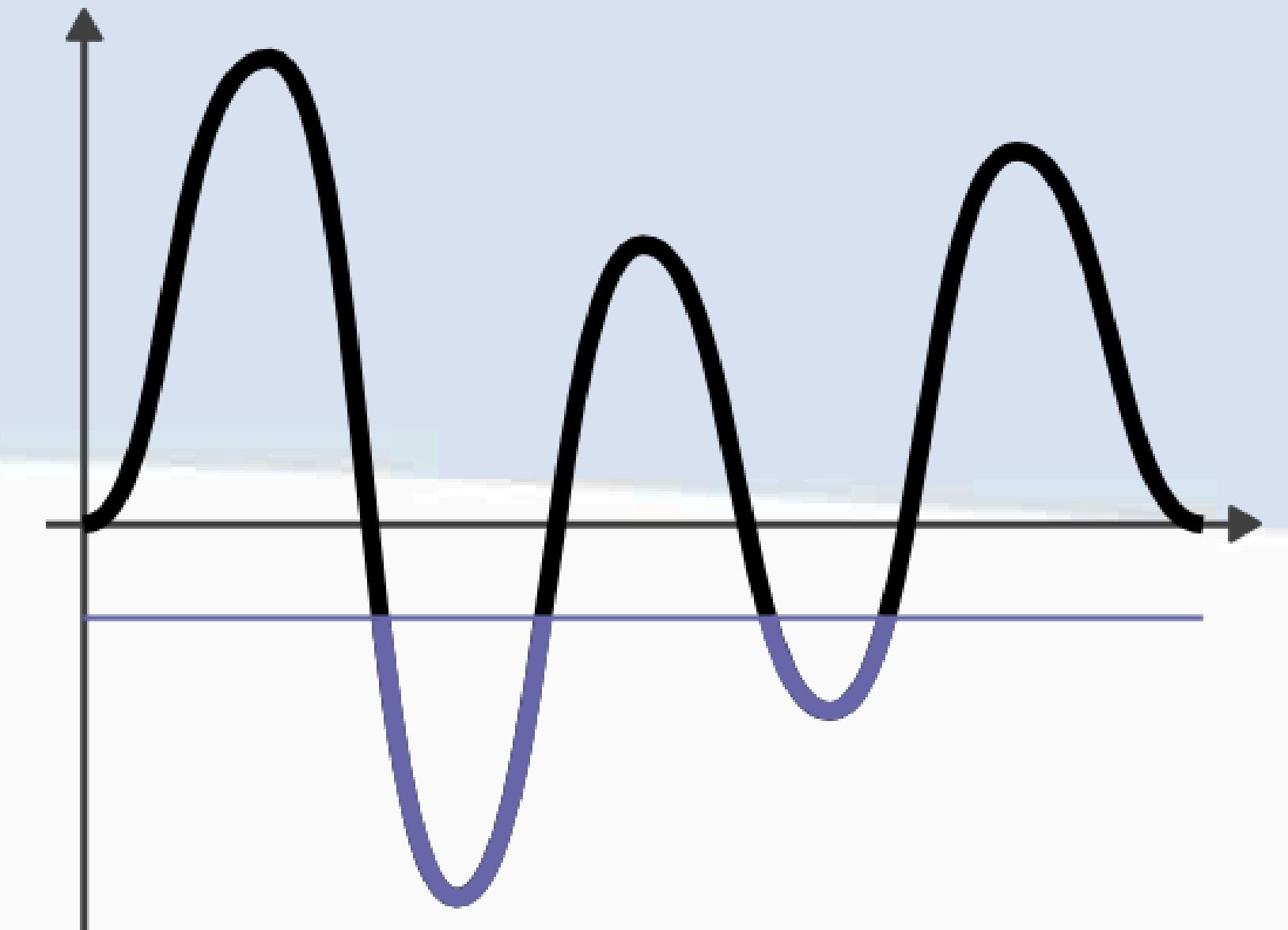
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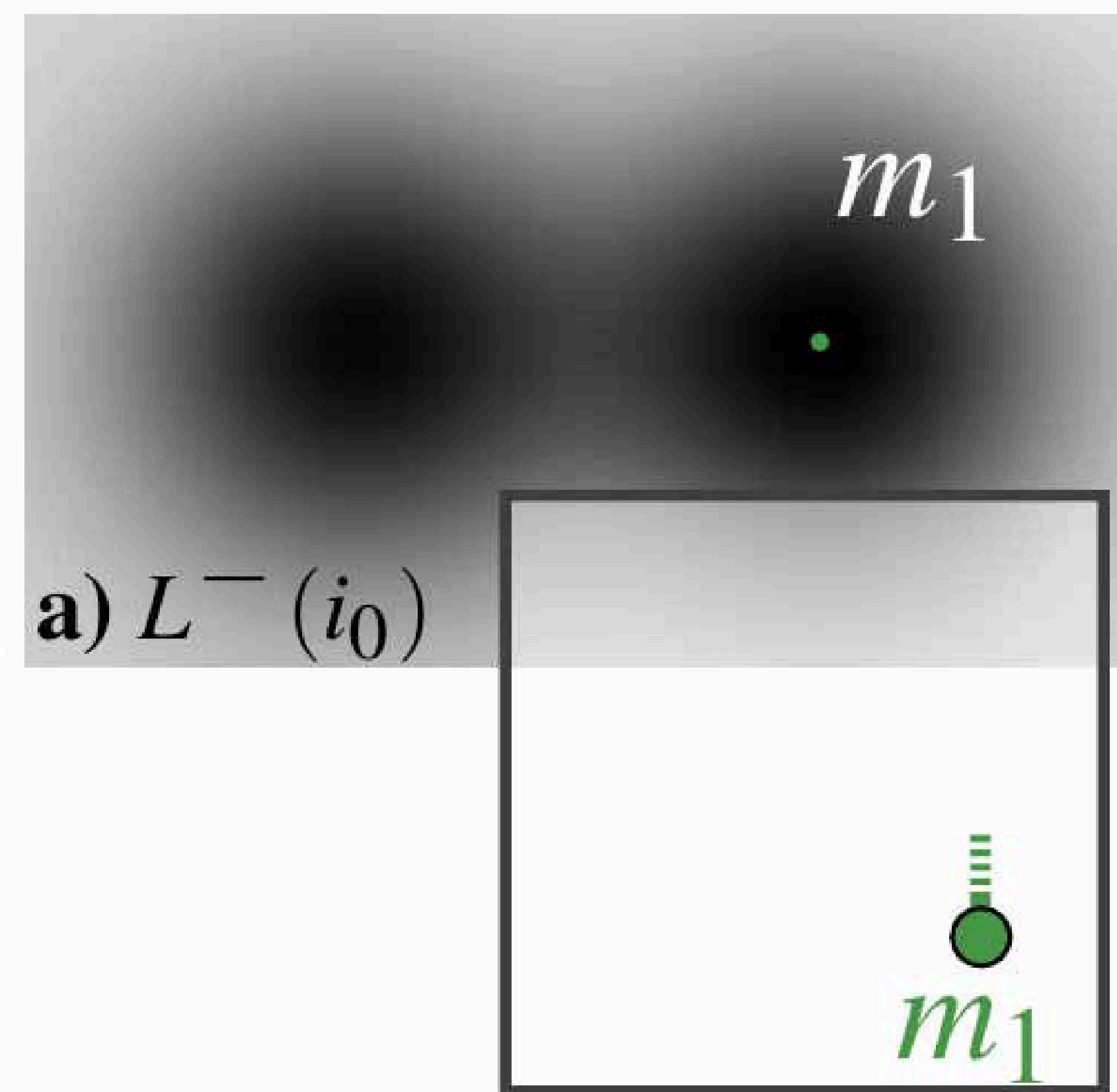
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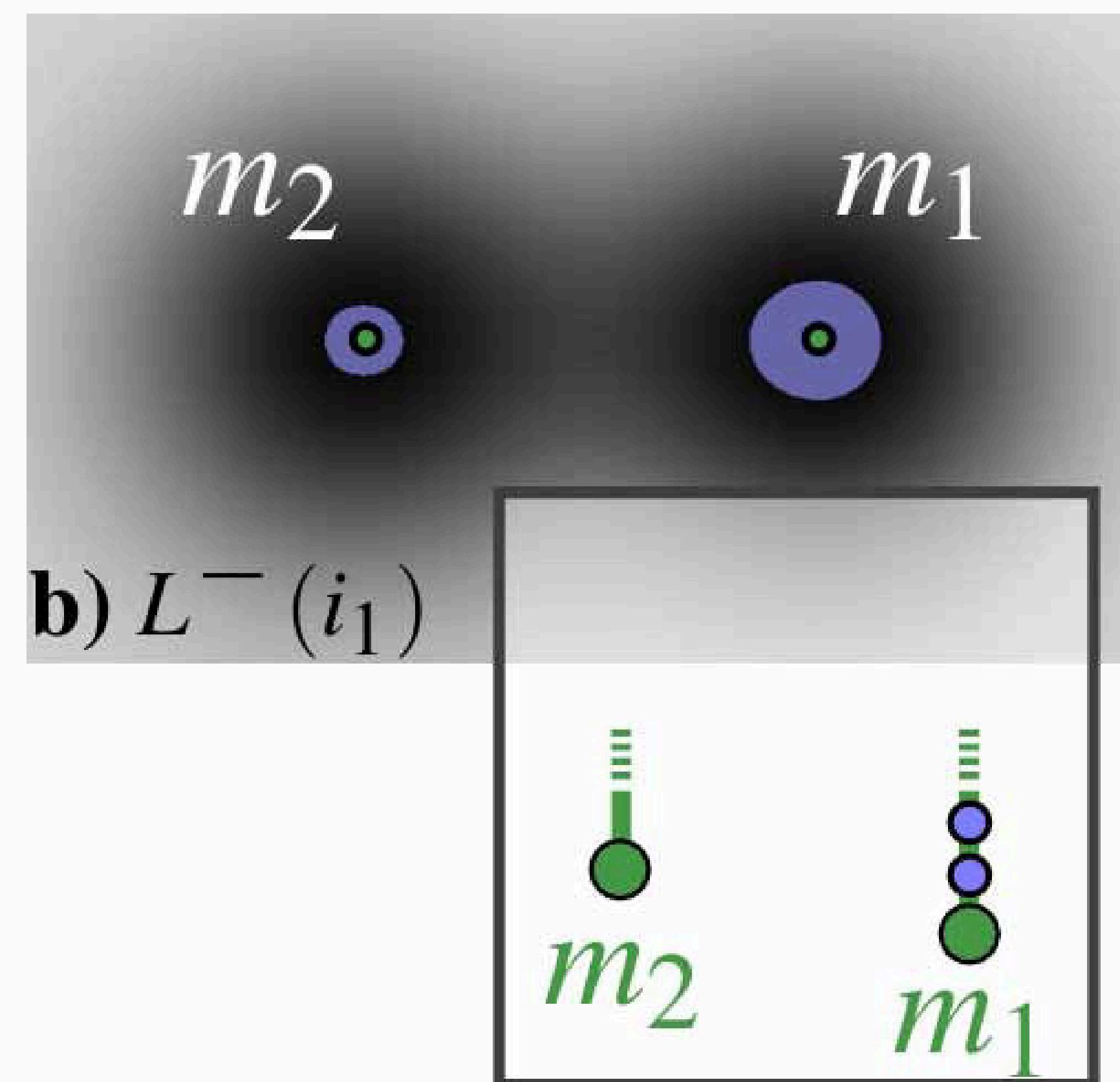
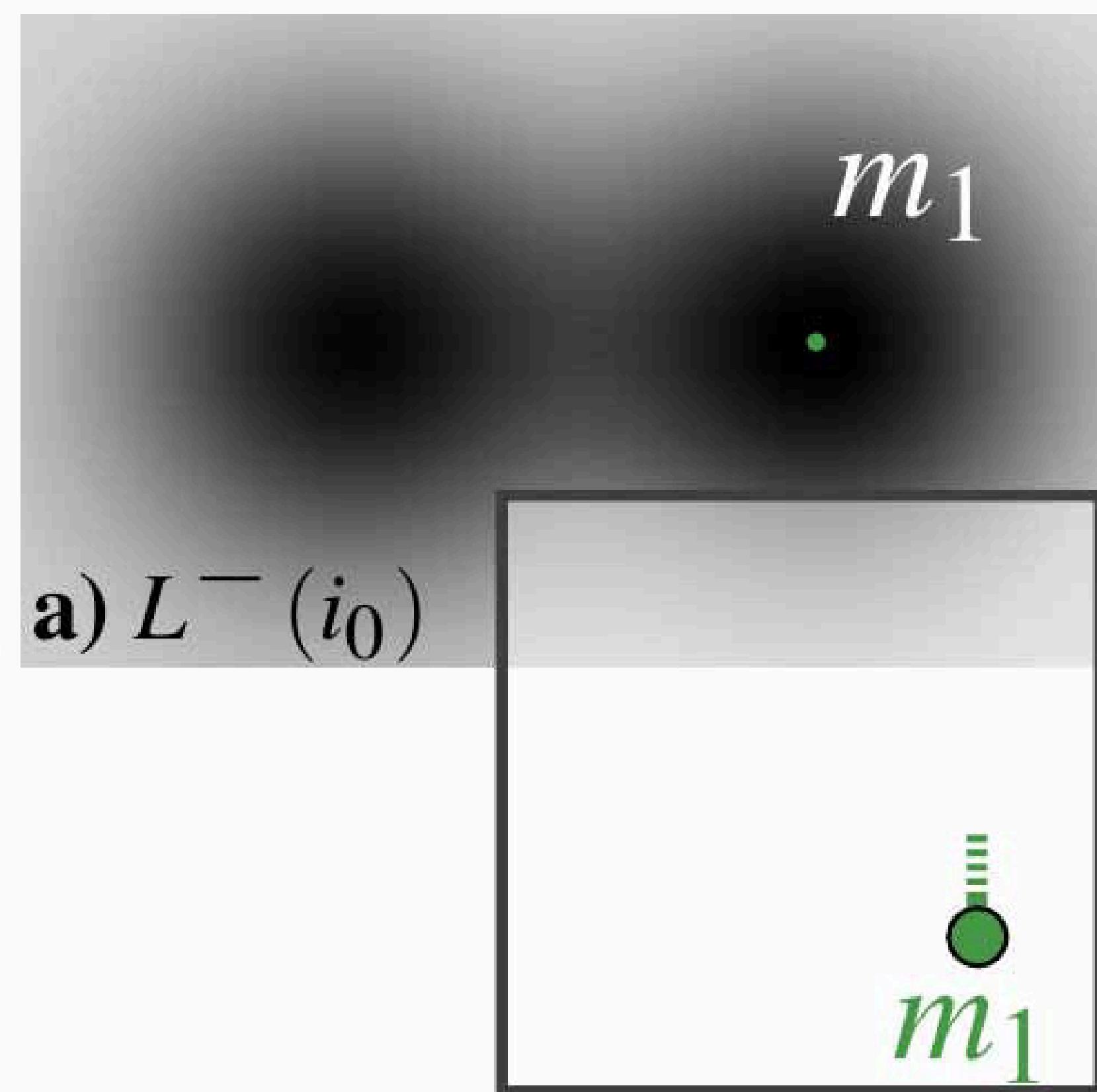
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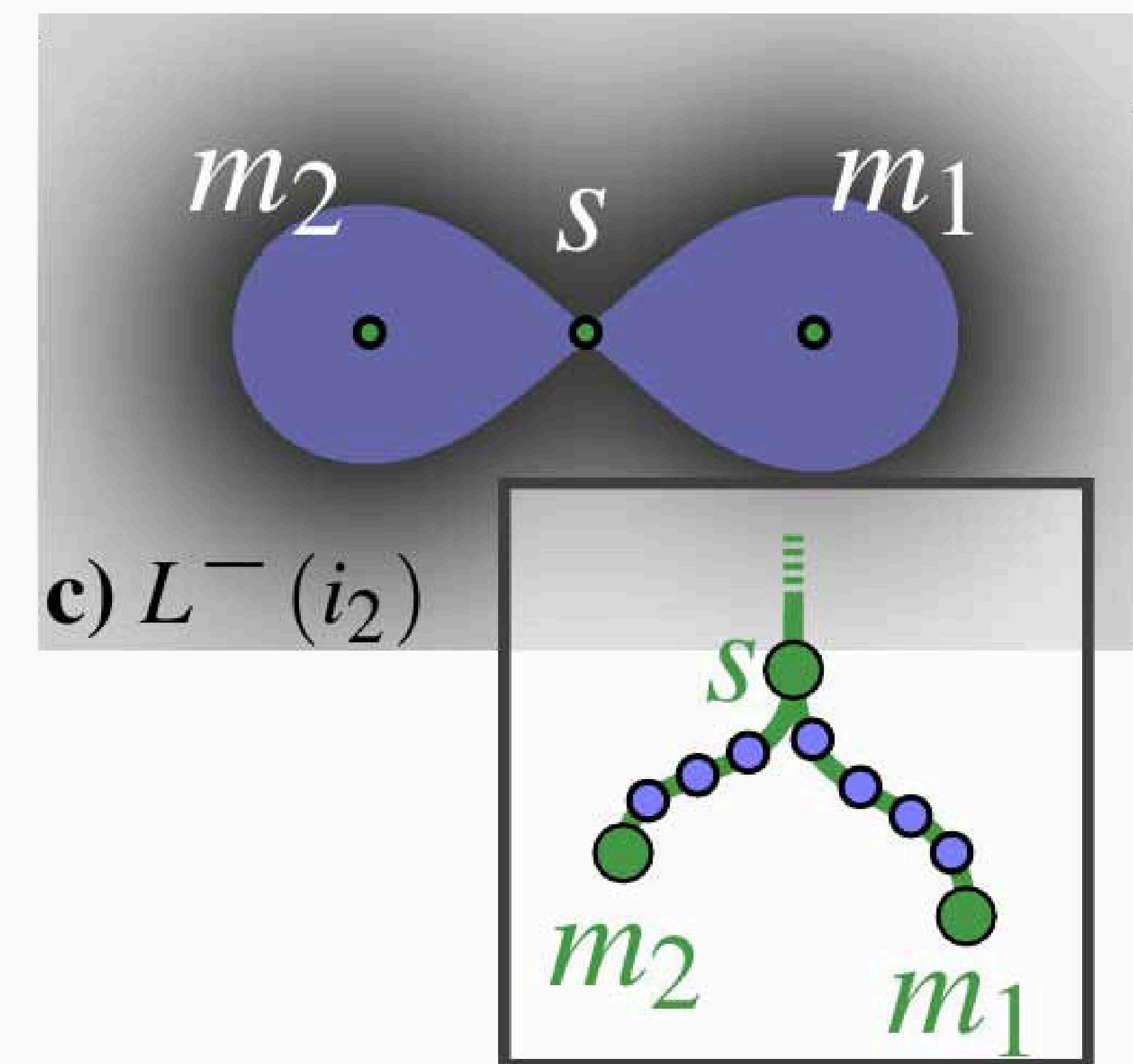
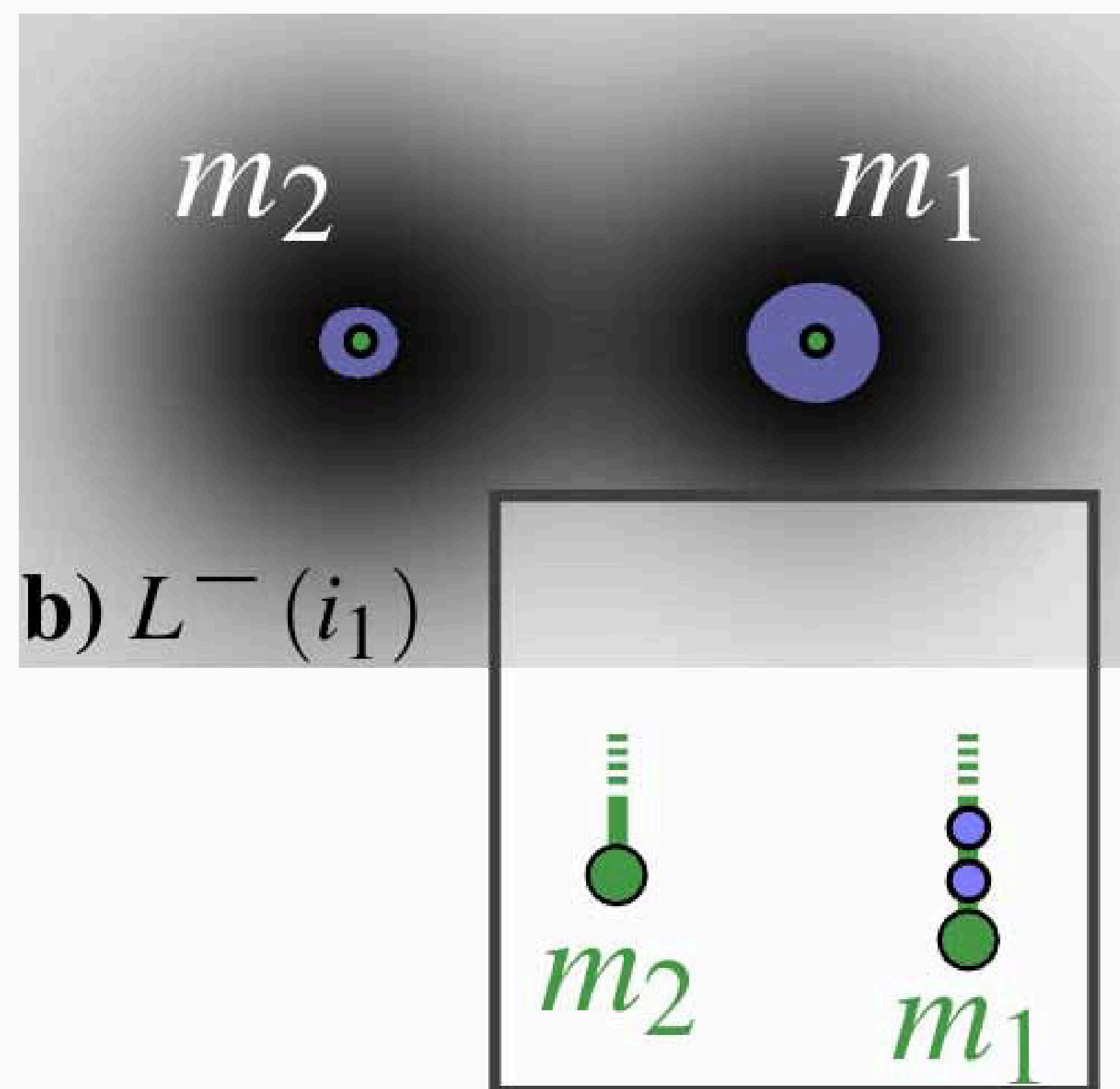
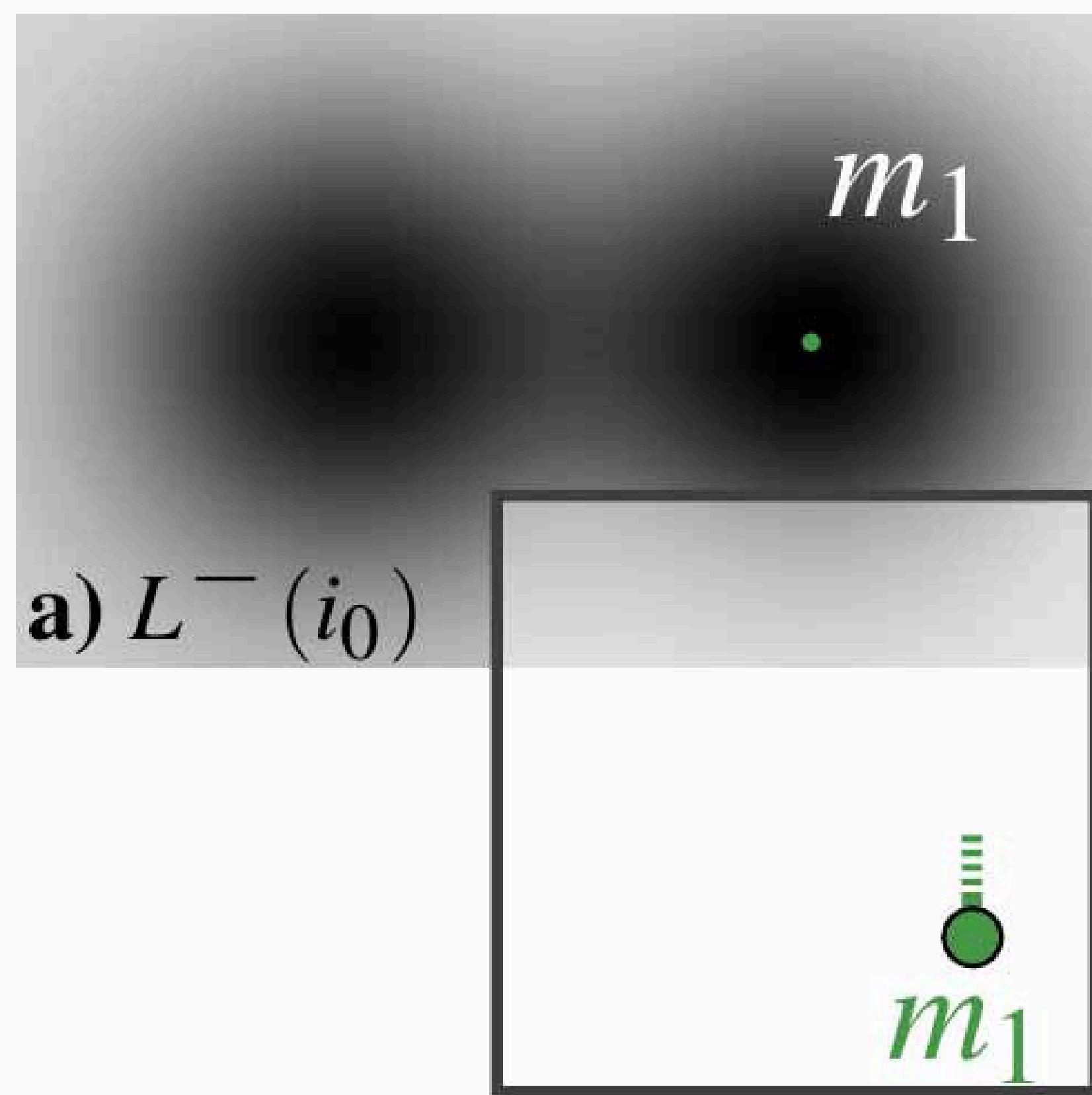
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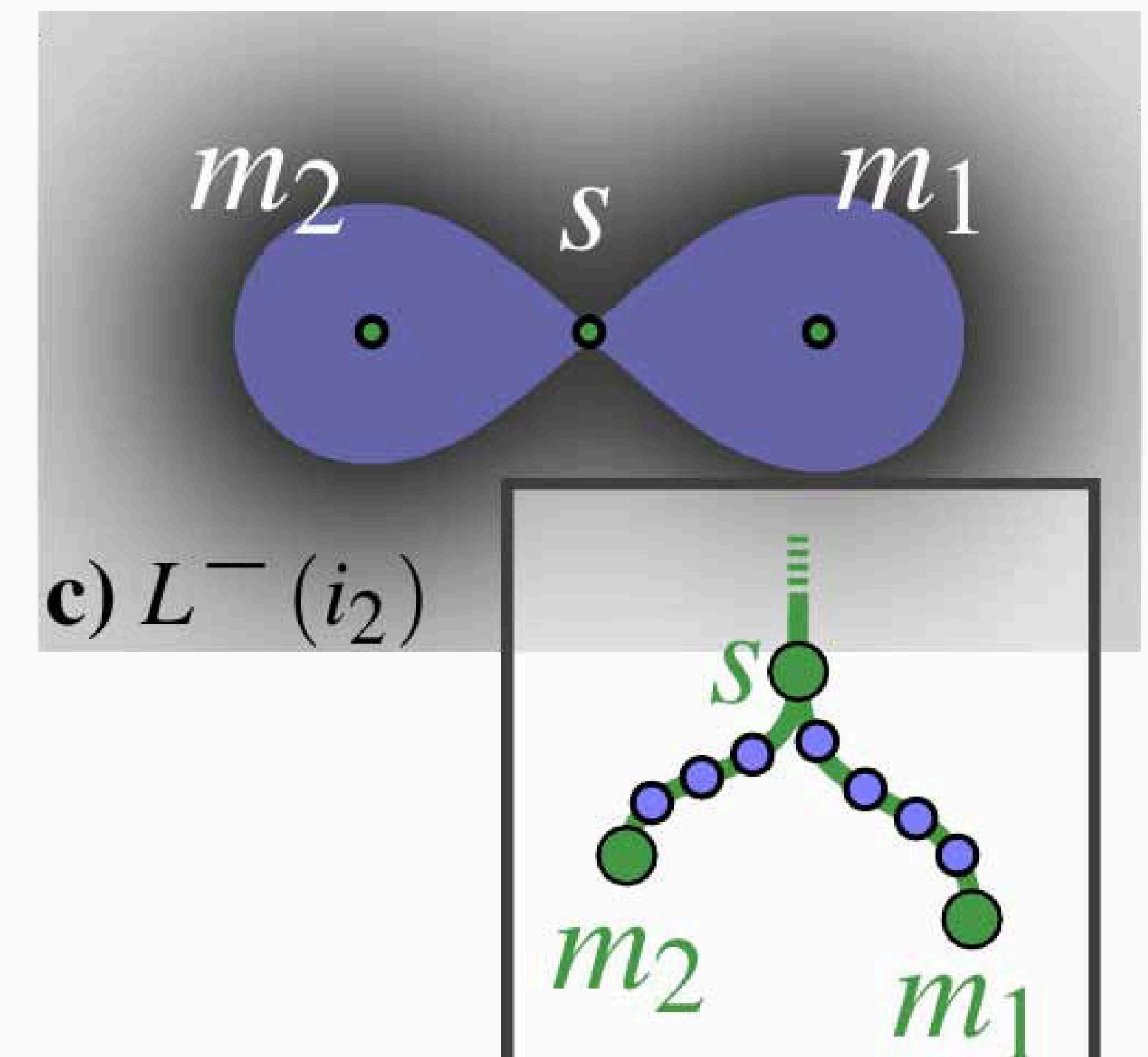
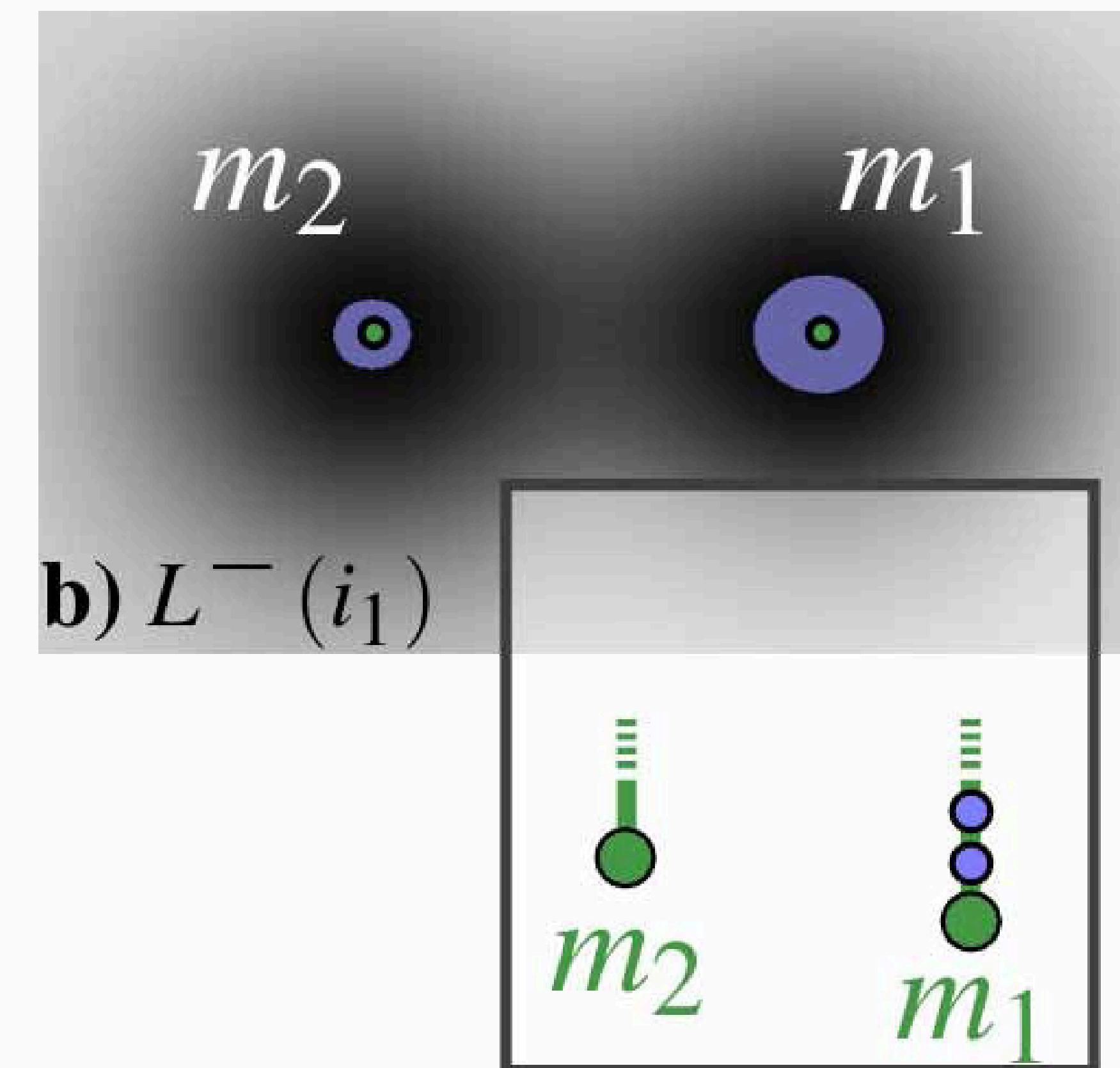
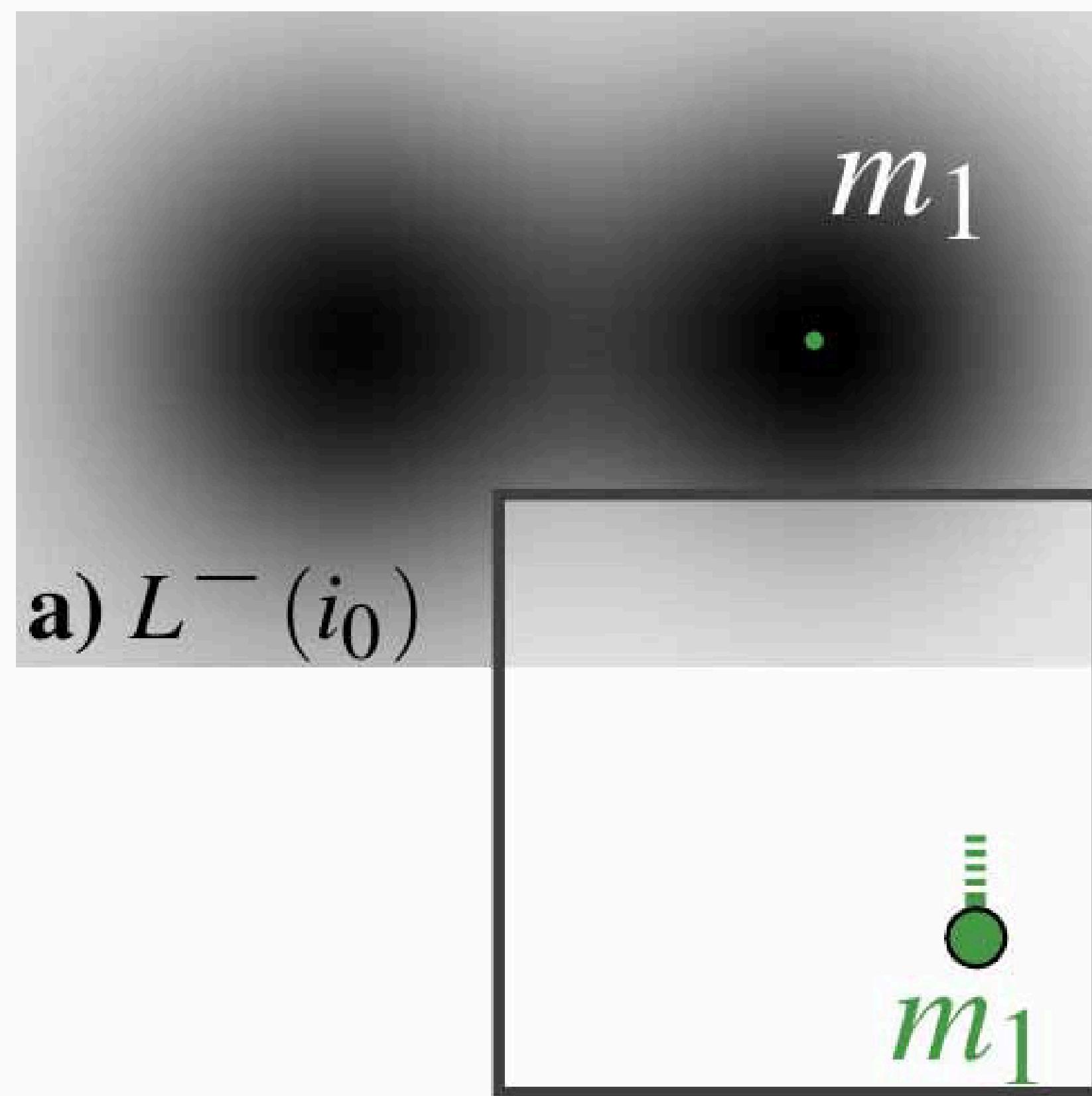
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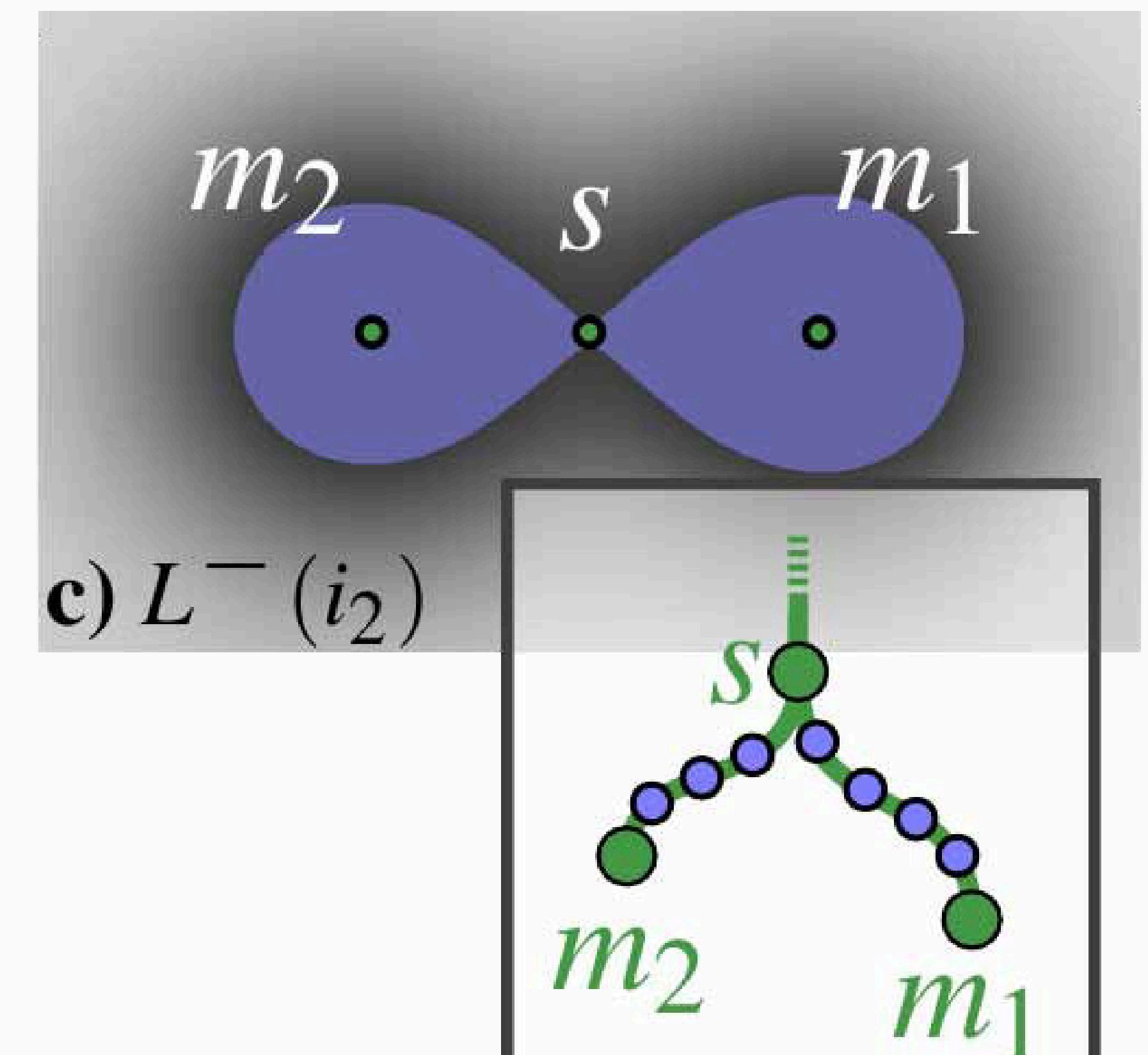
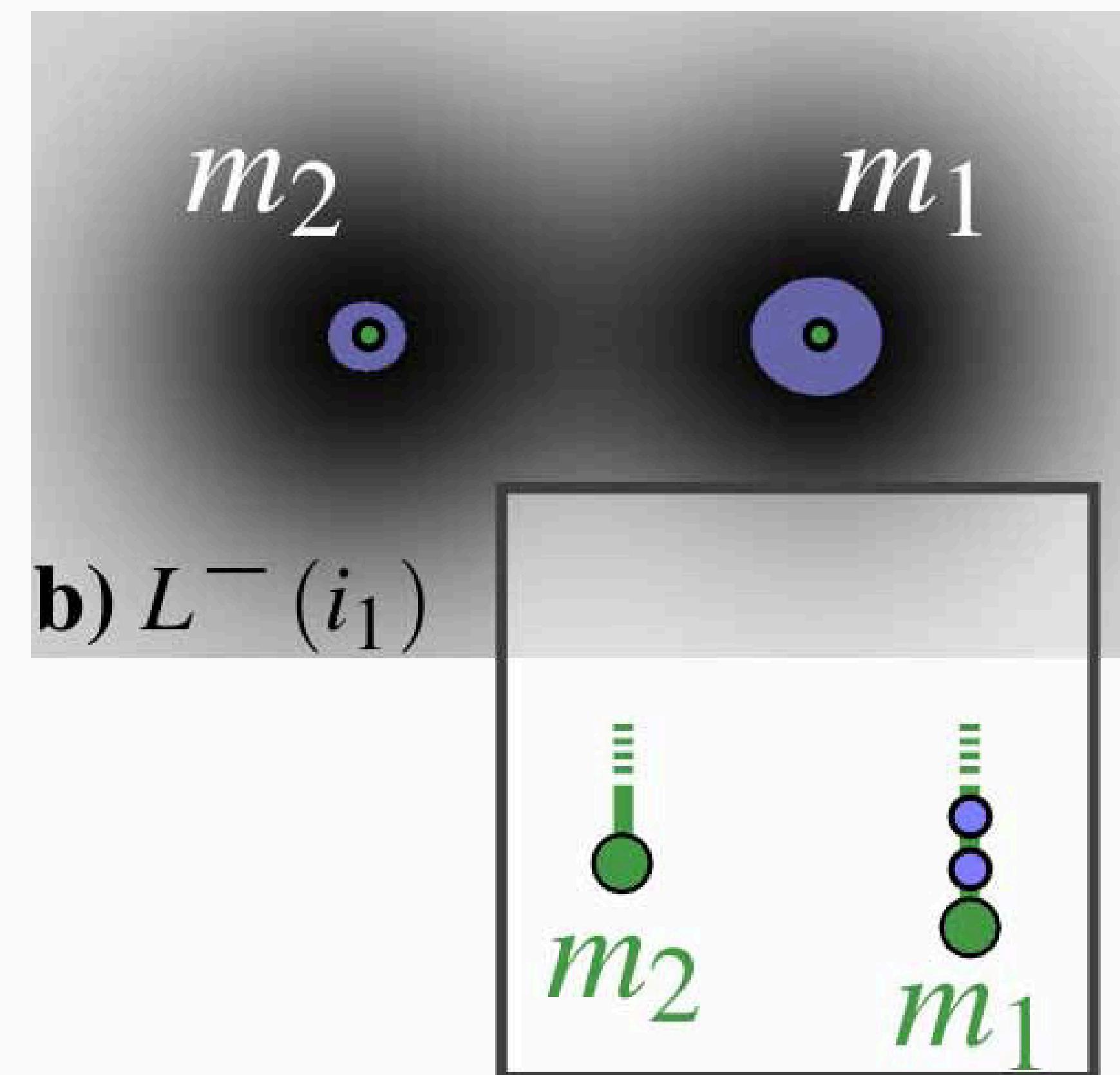
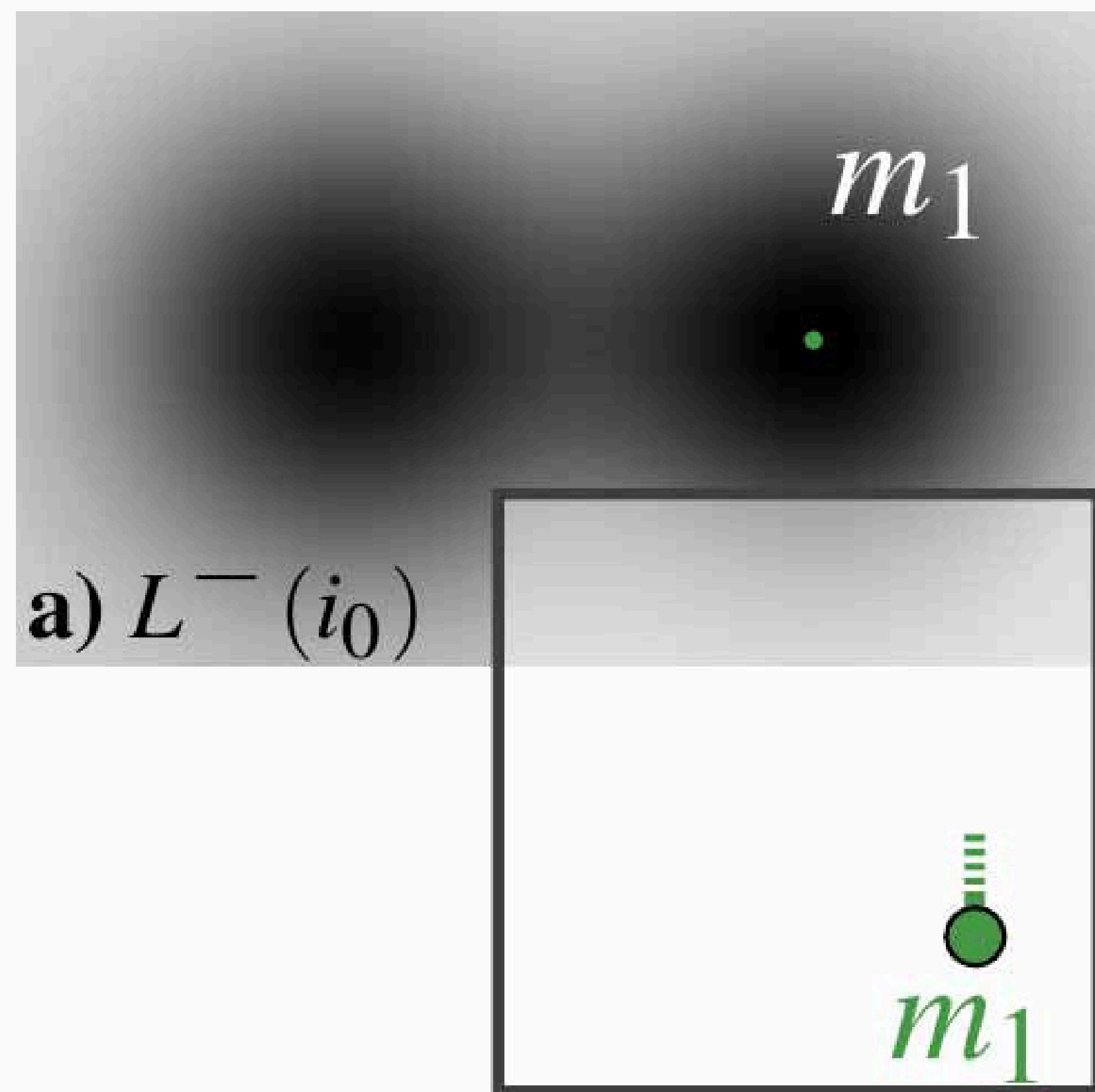
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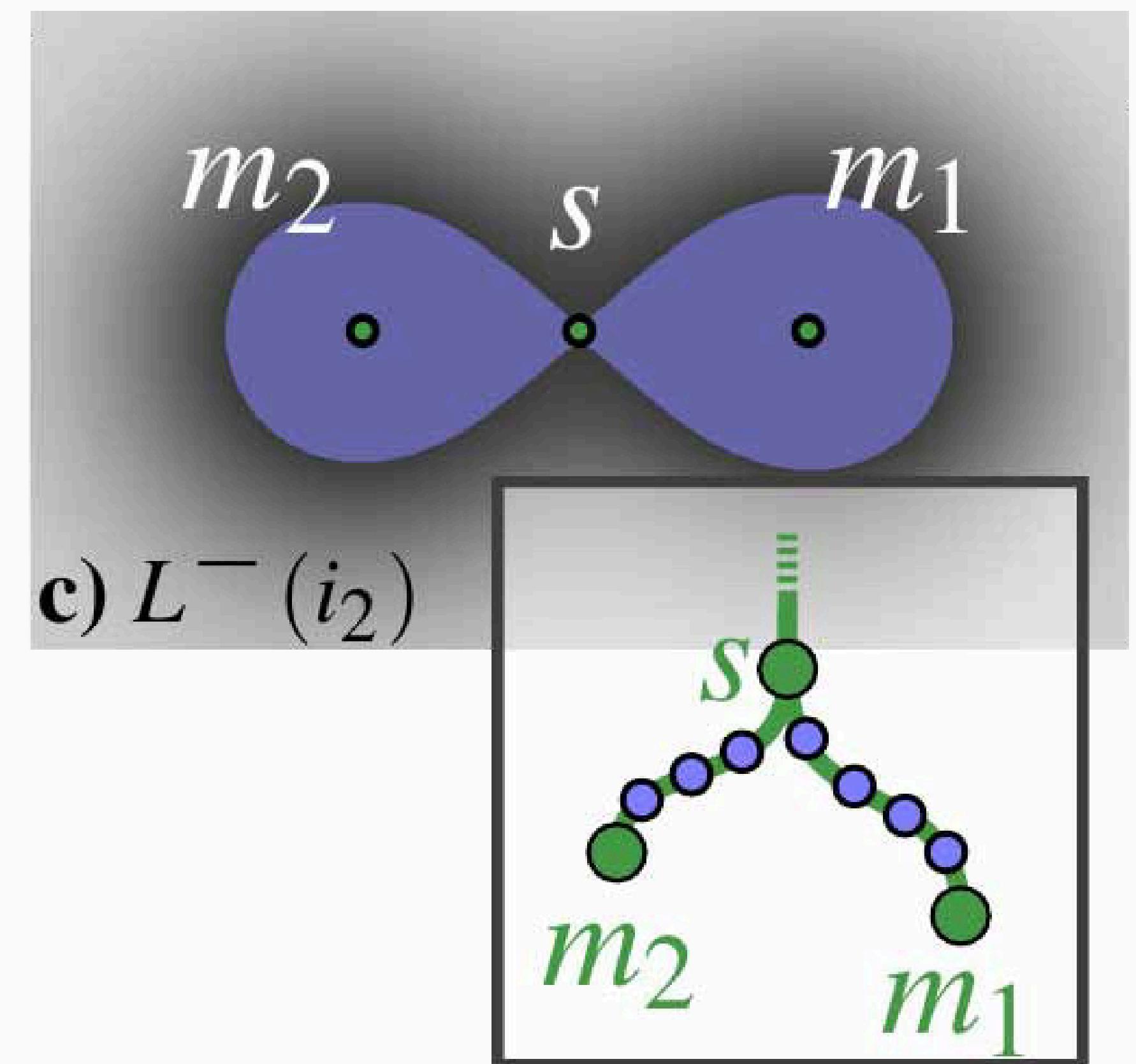
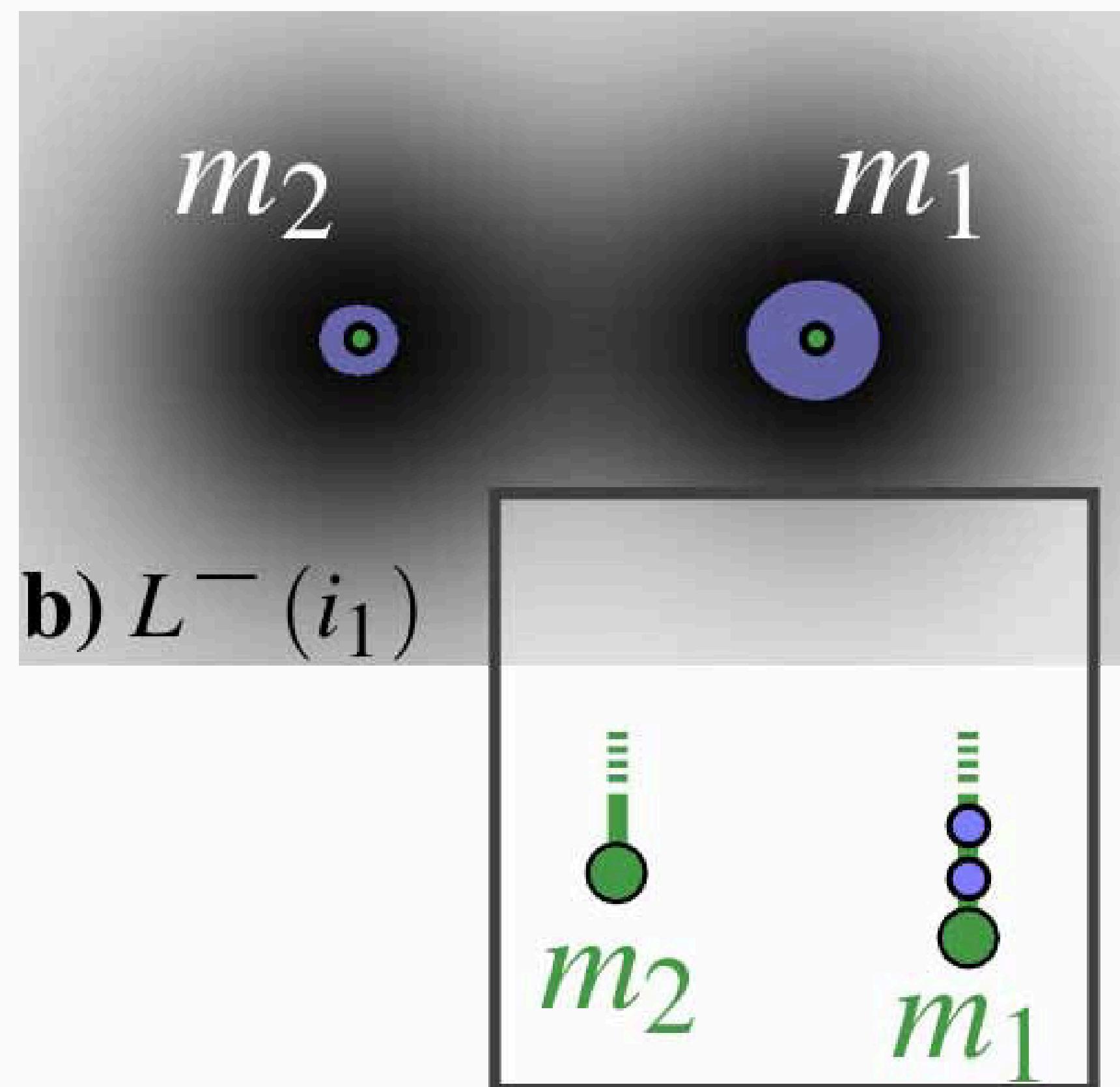
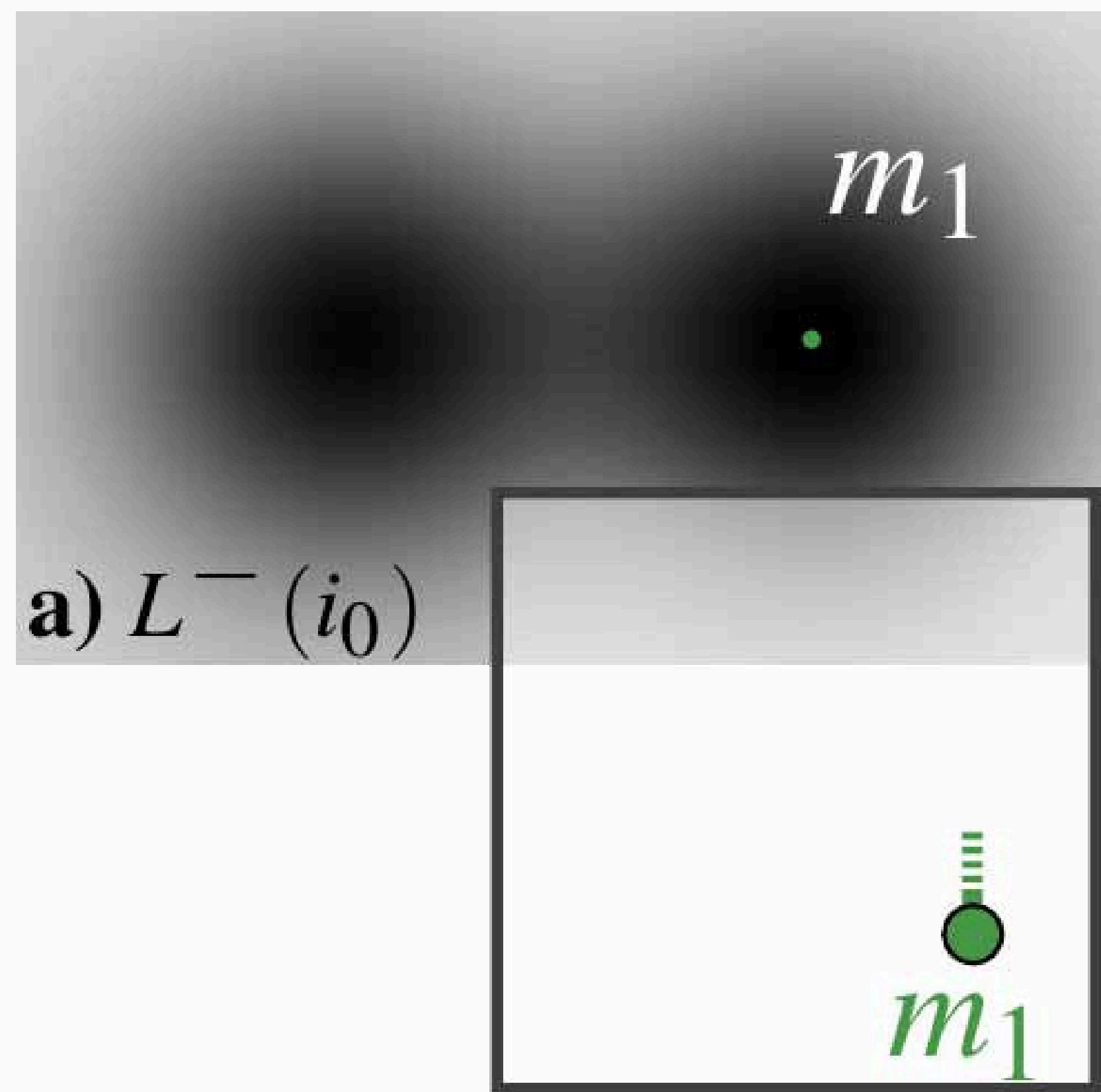
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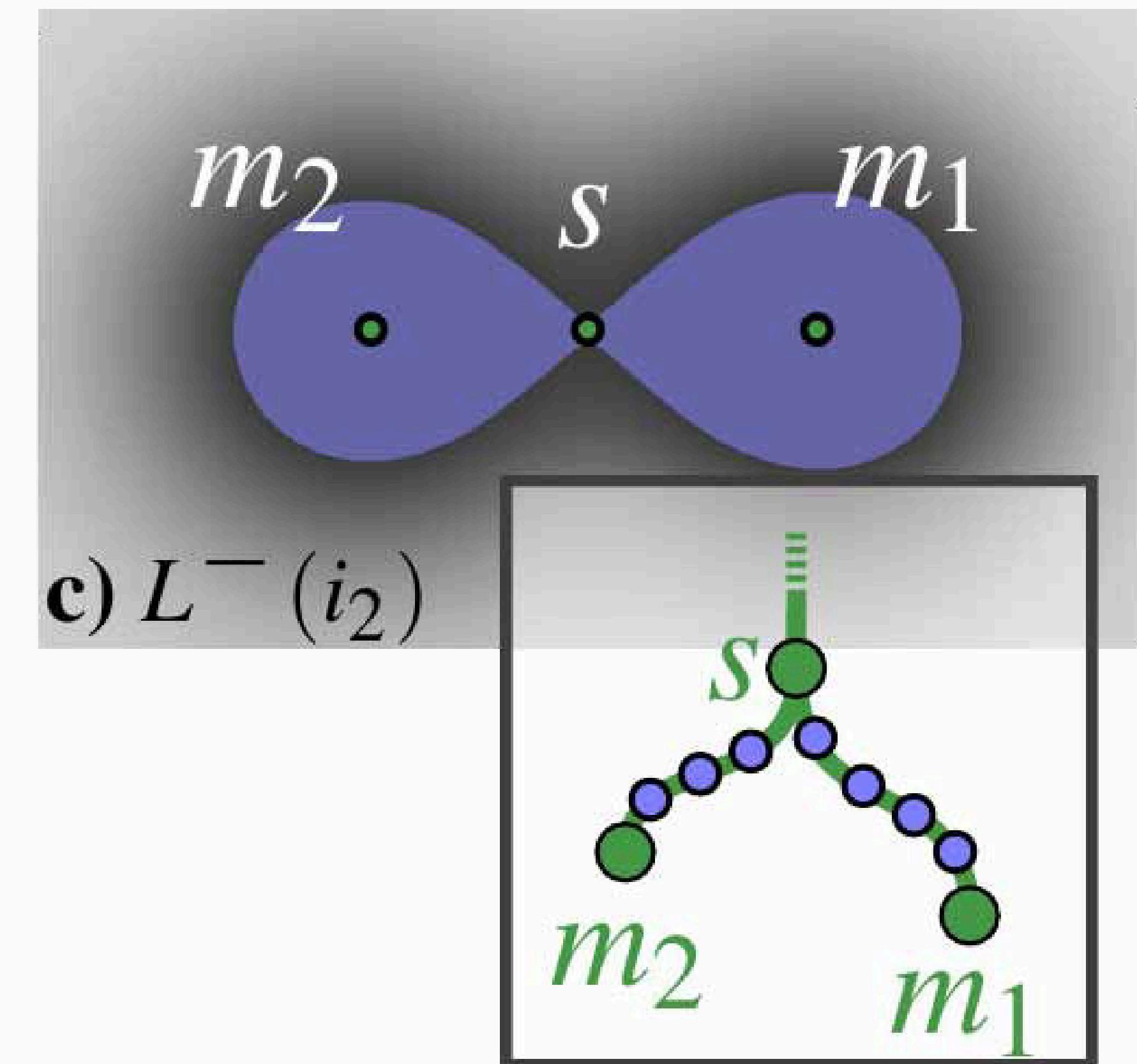
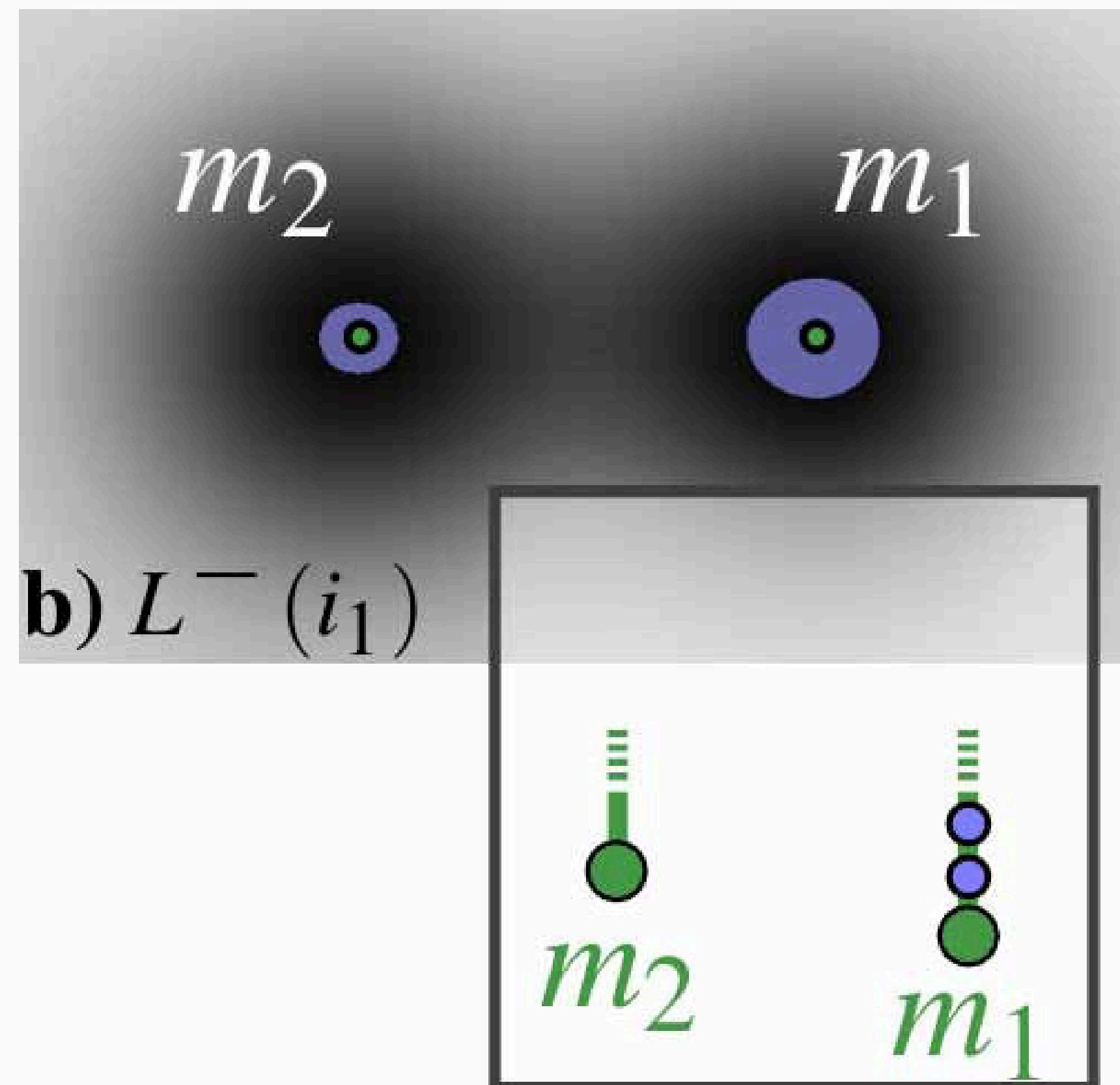
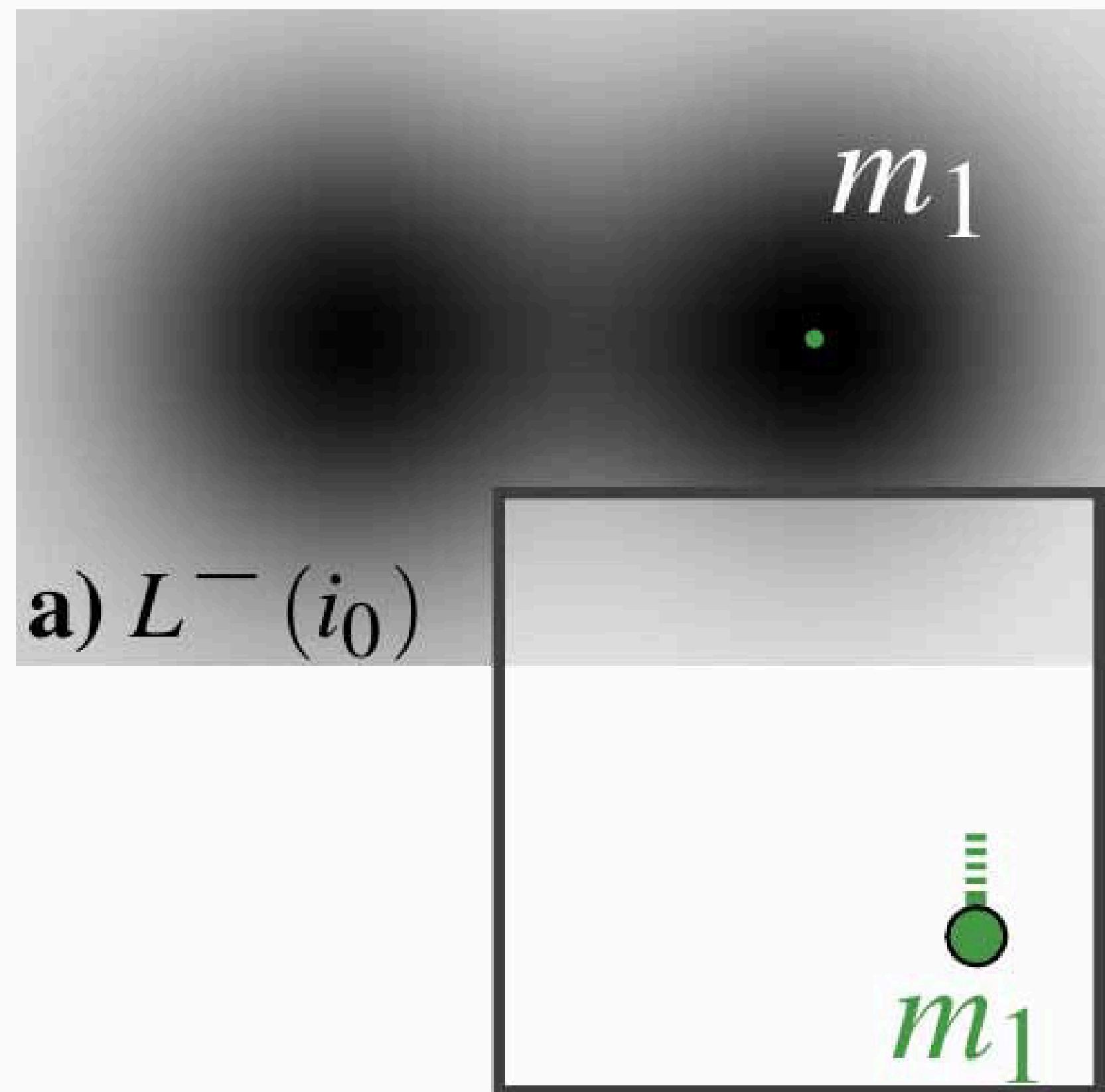
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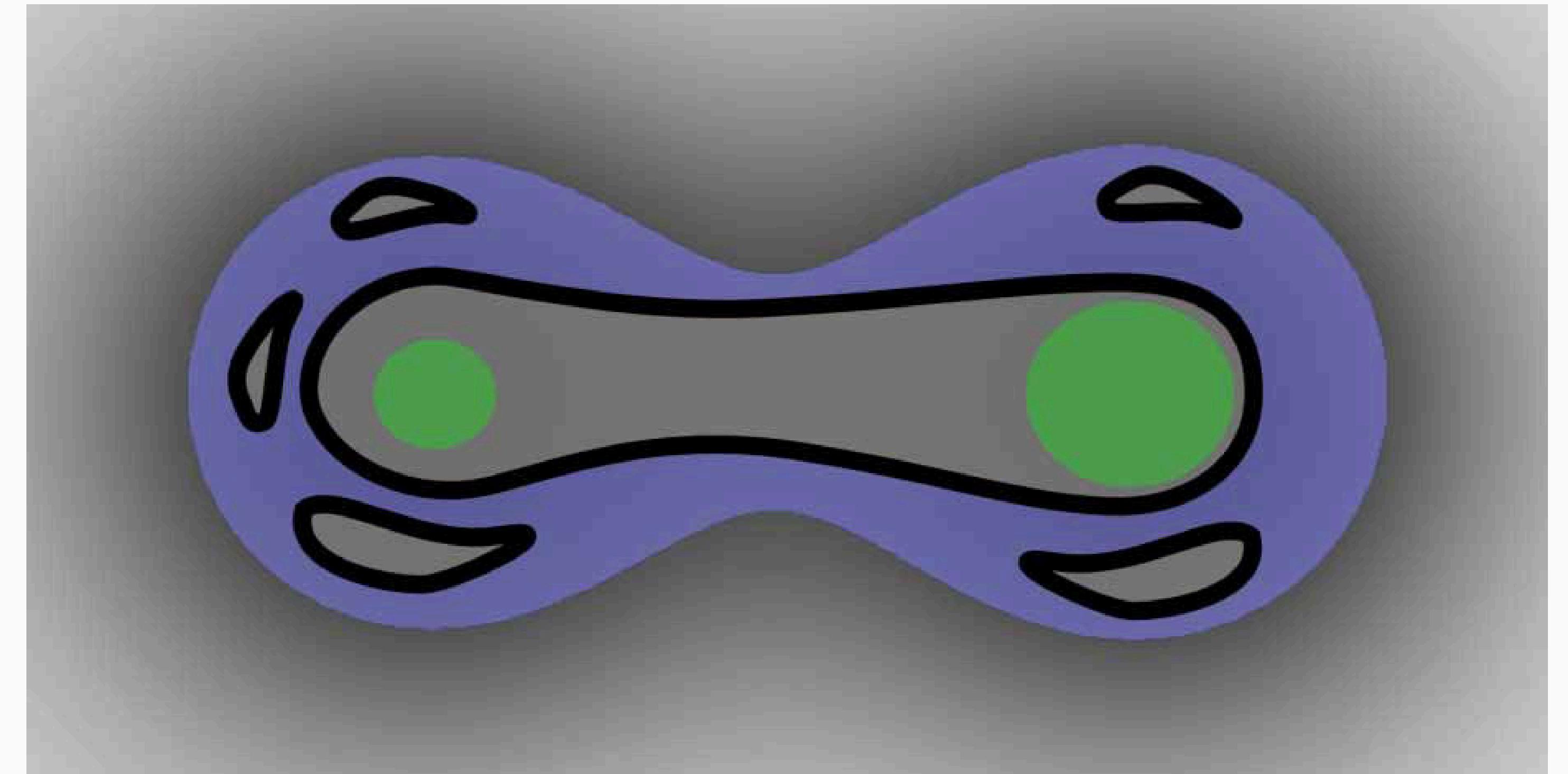
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  - 1-dimensional simplicial complex
  - Retraction of sub-level set components



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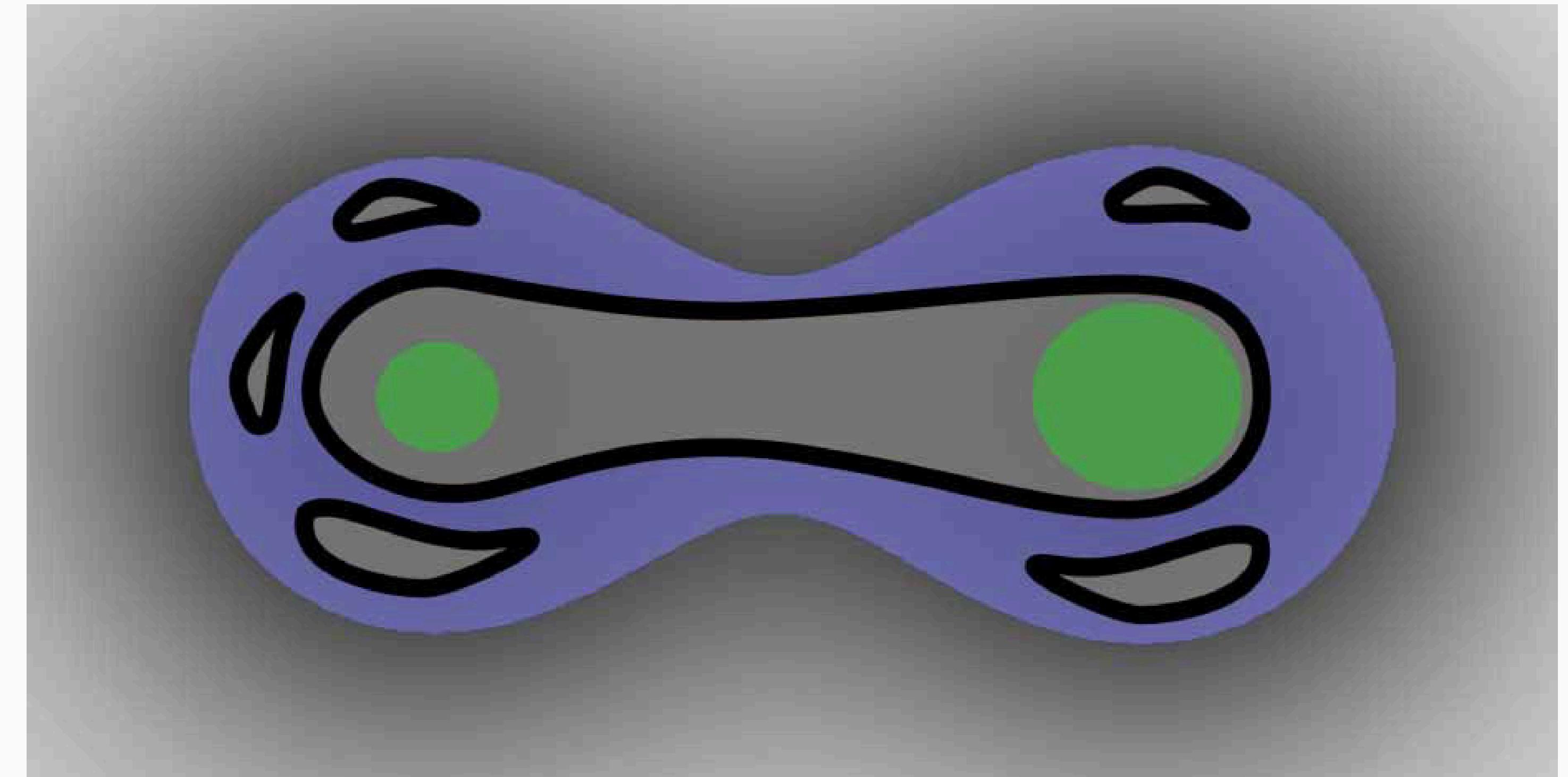


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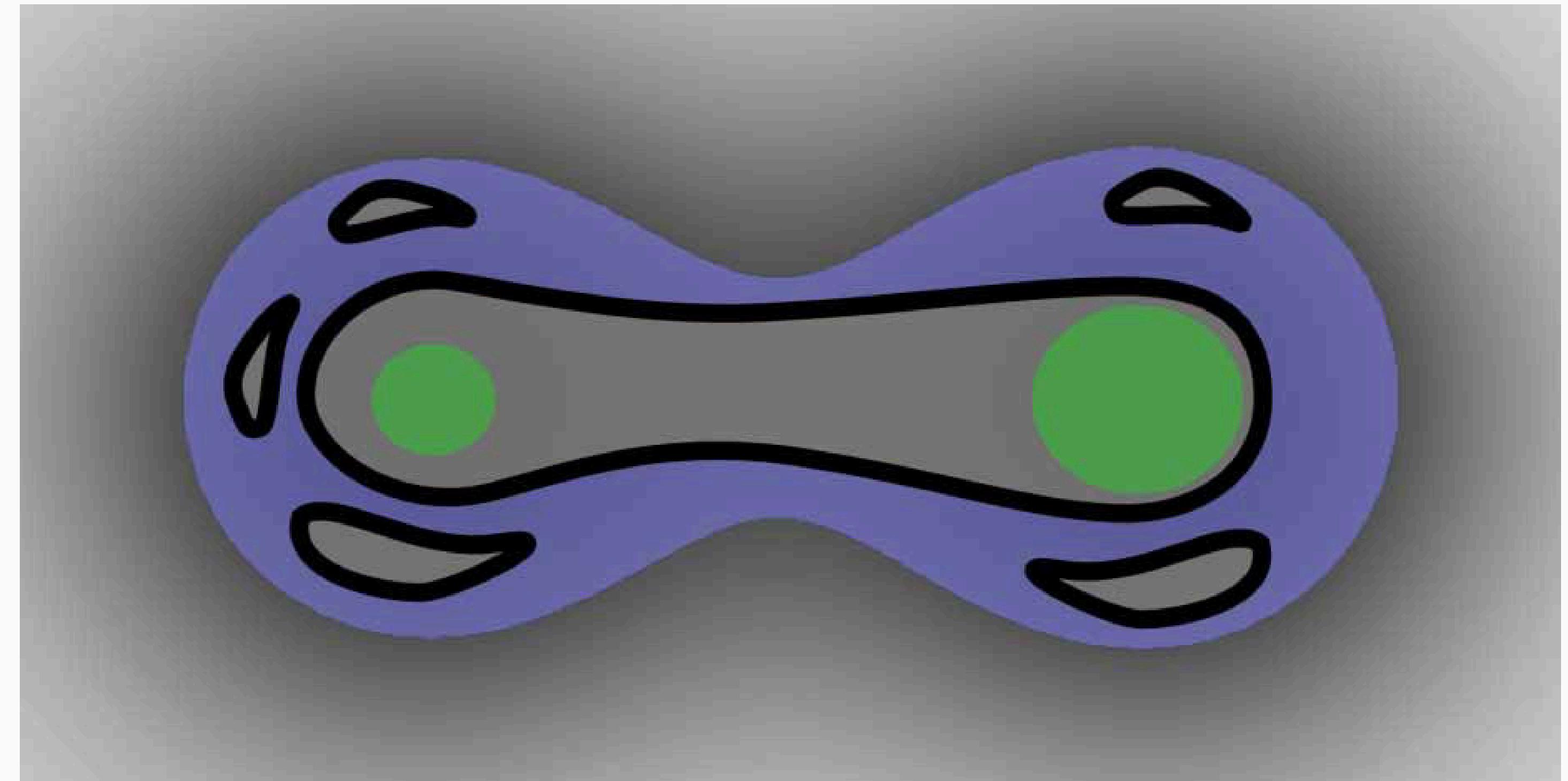
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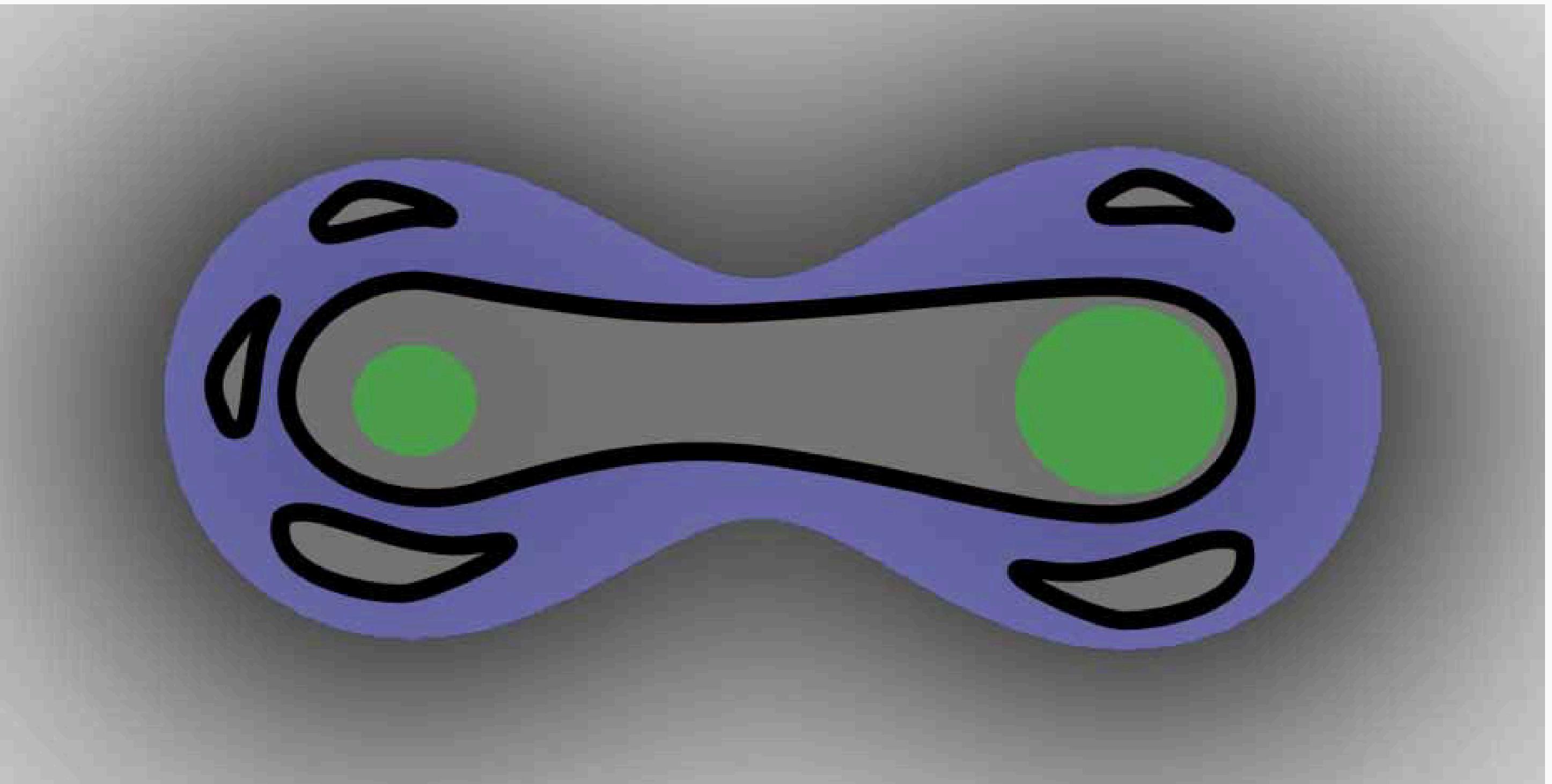
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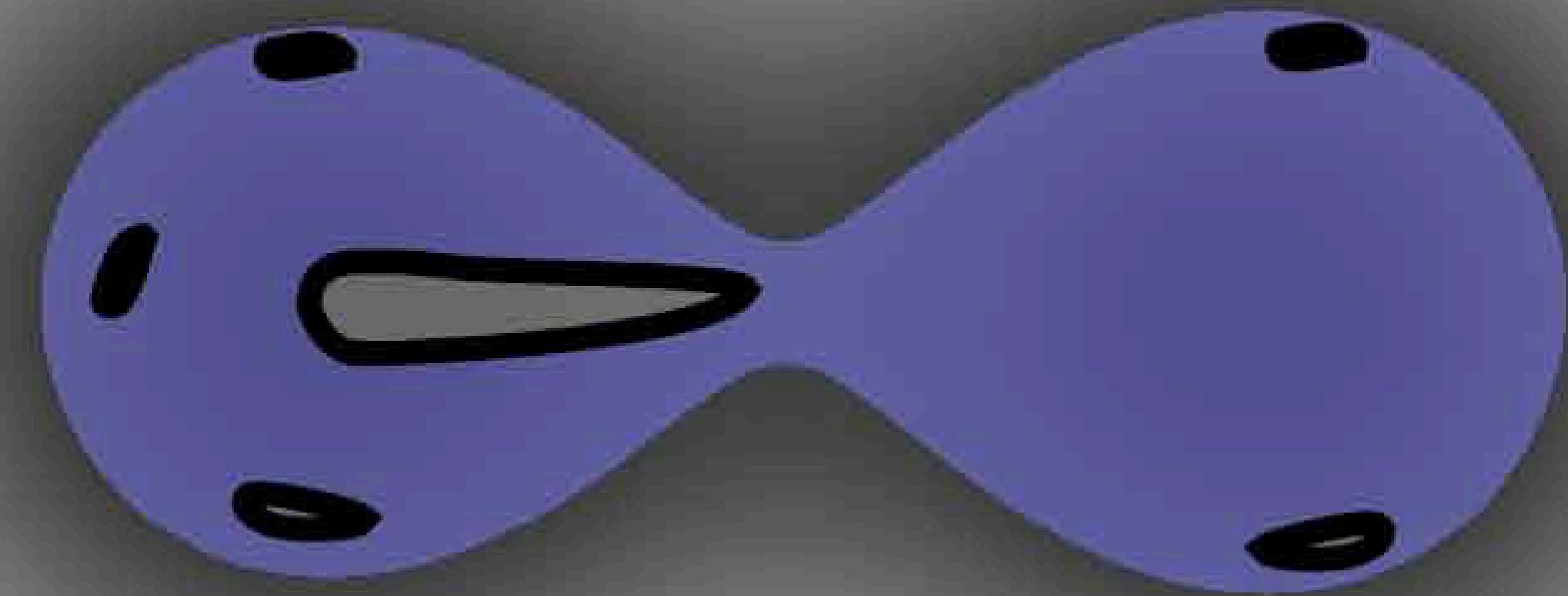


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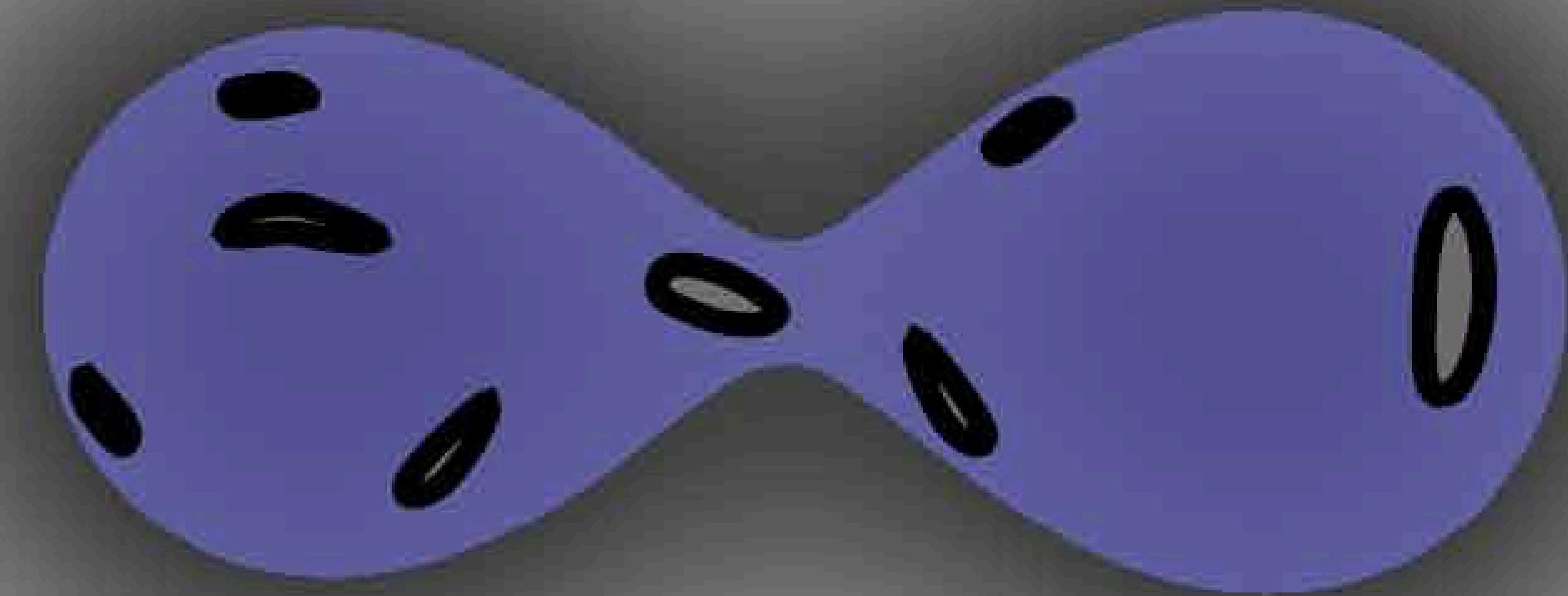
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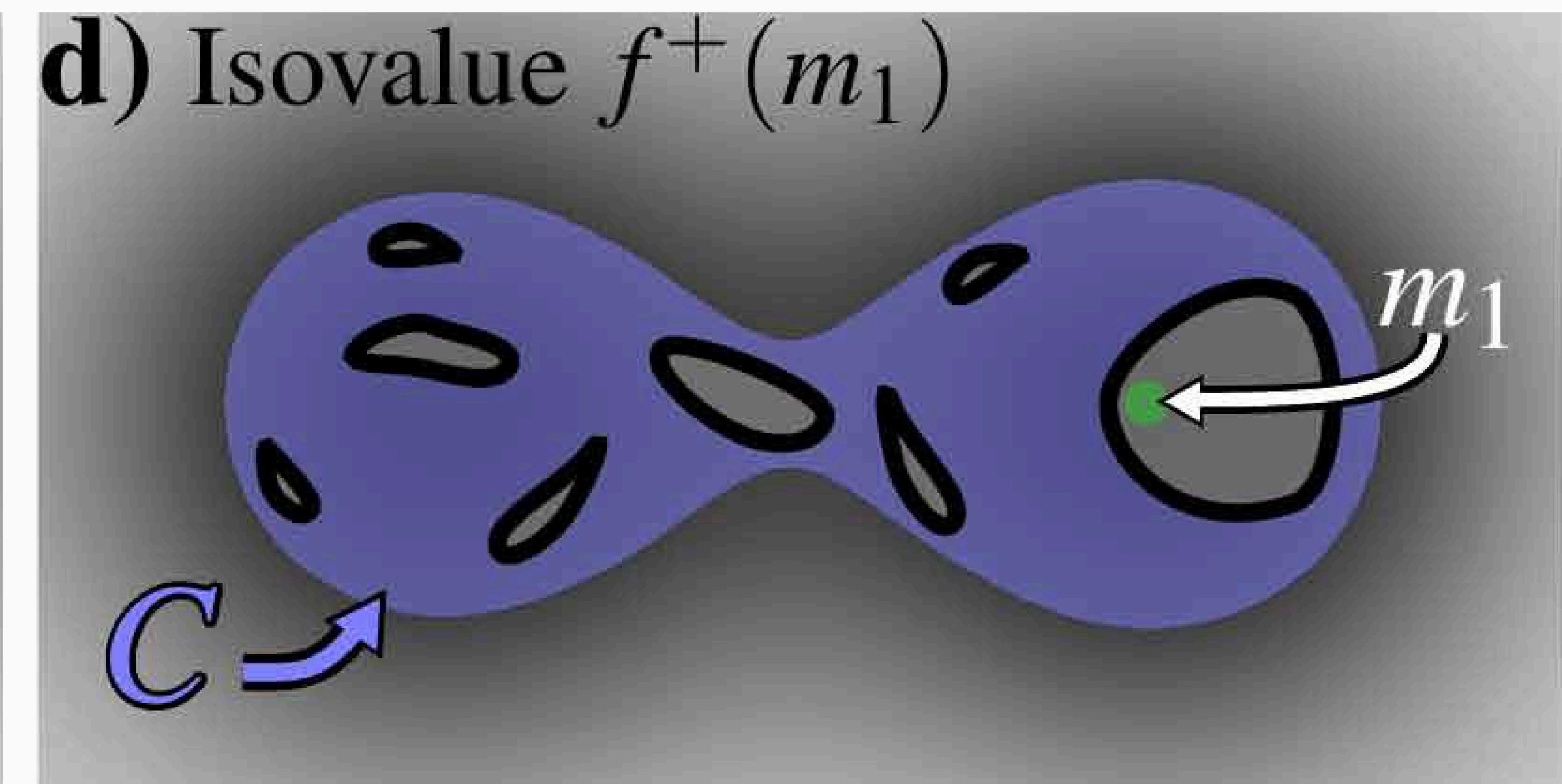
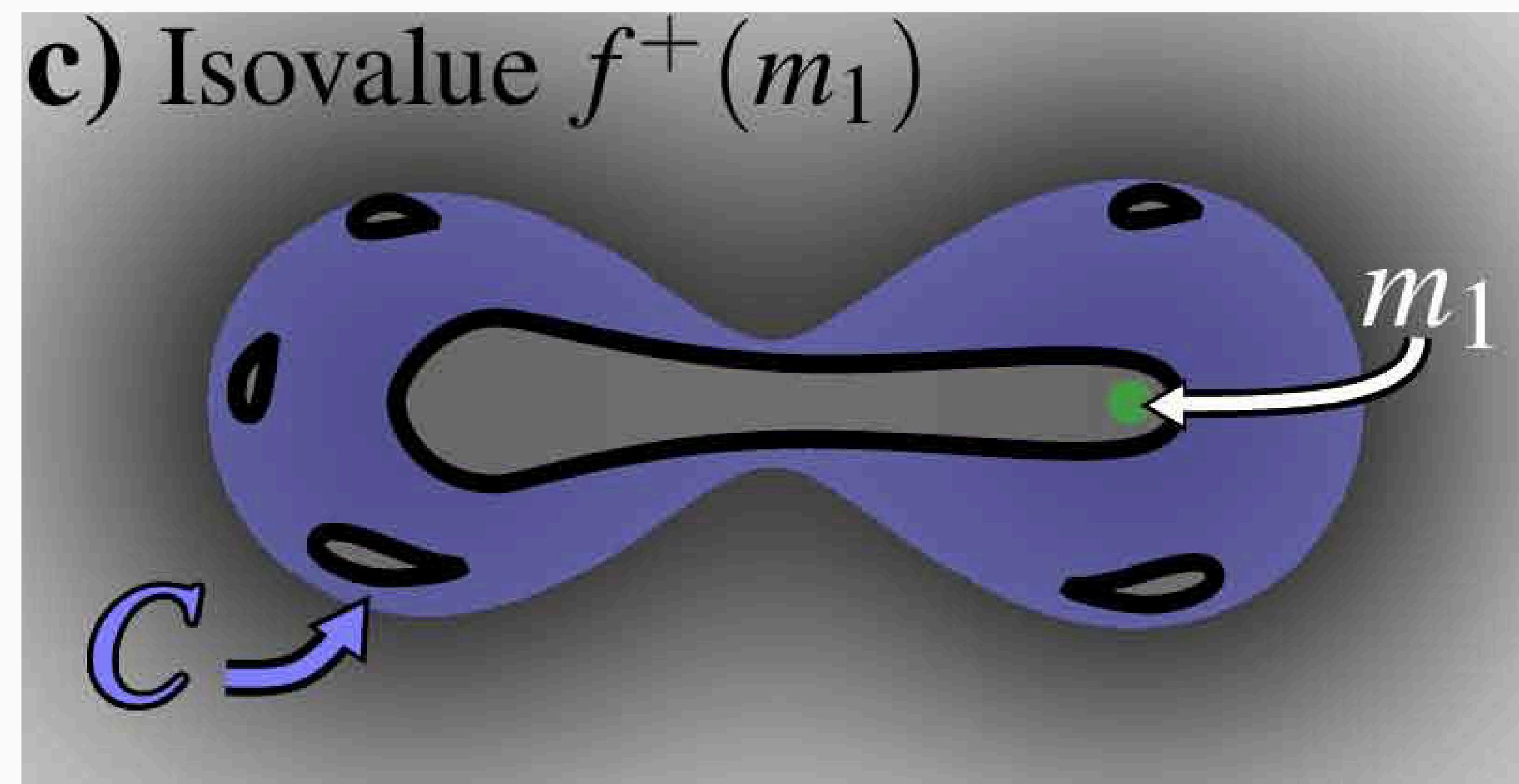


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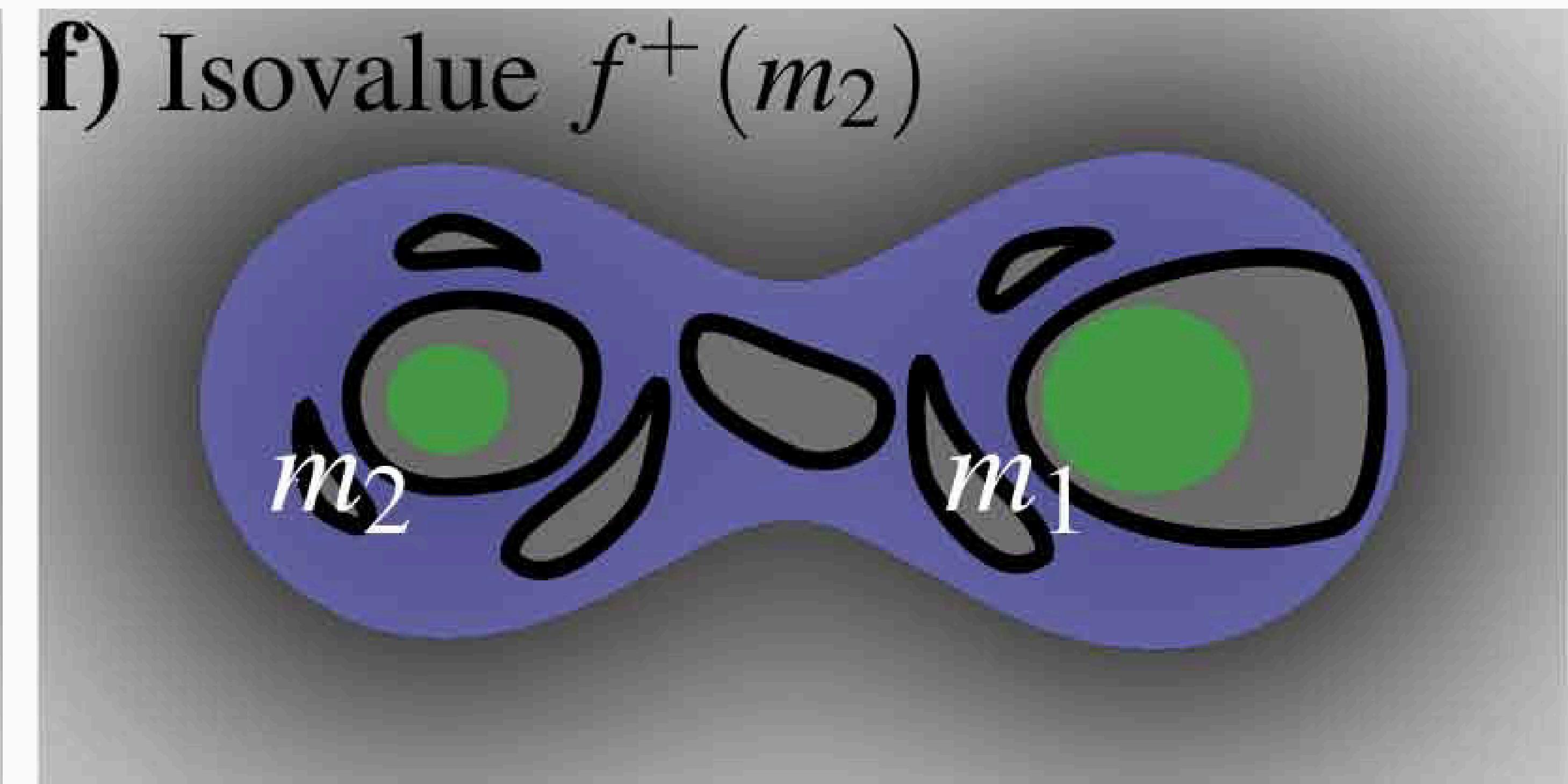
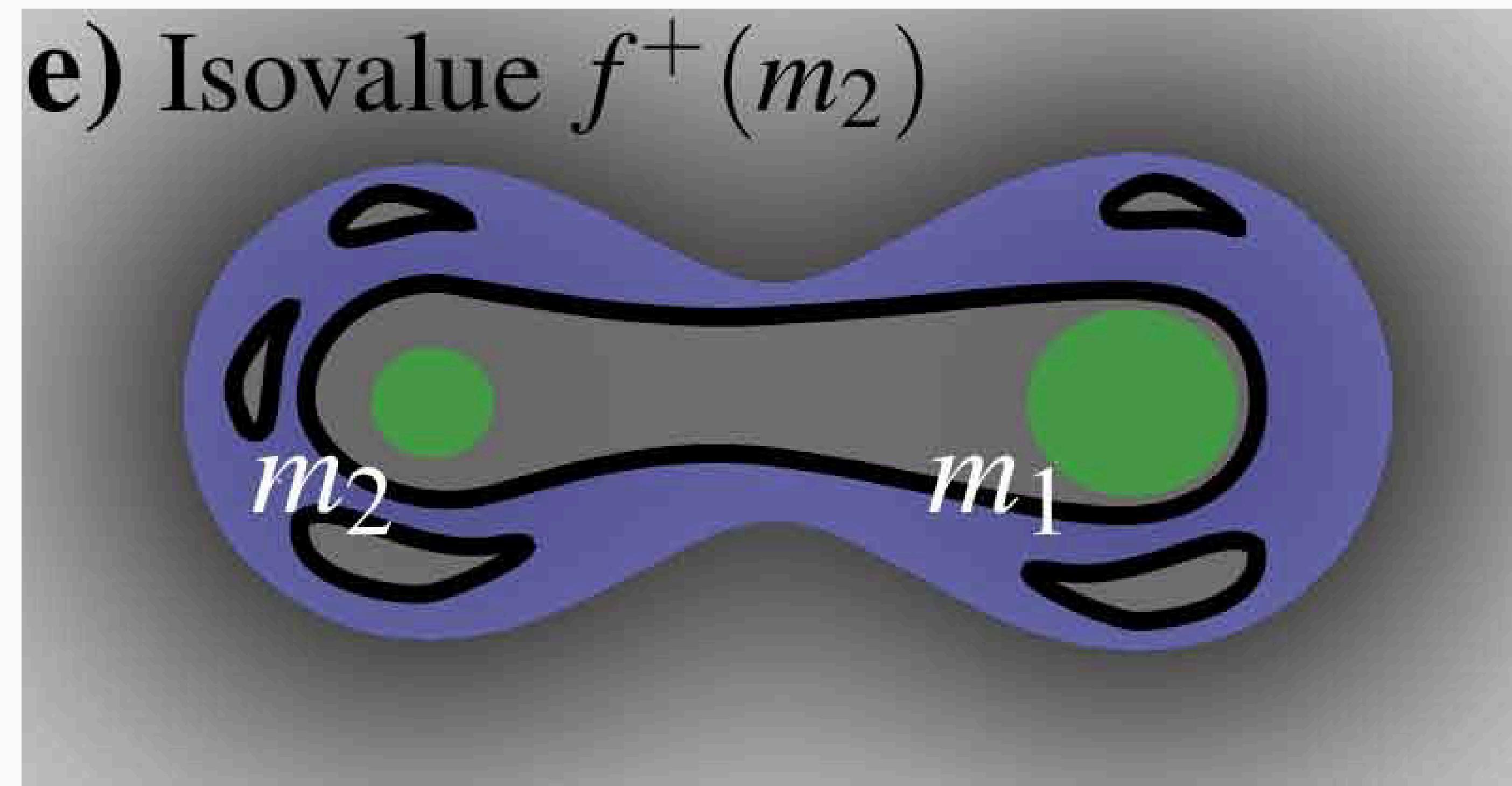
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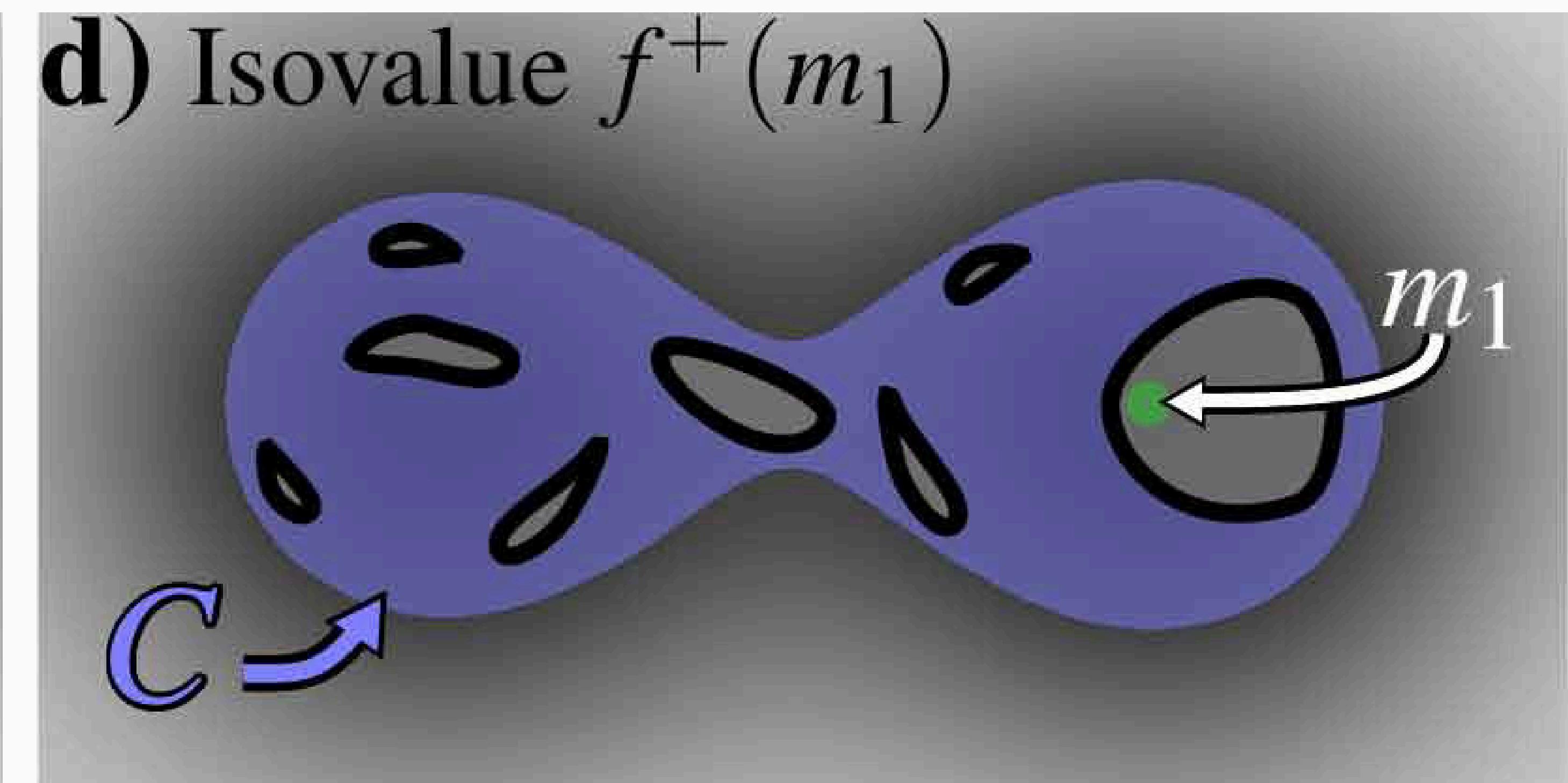
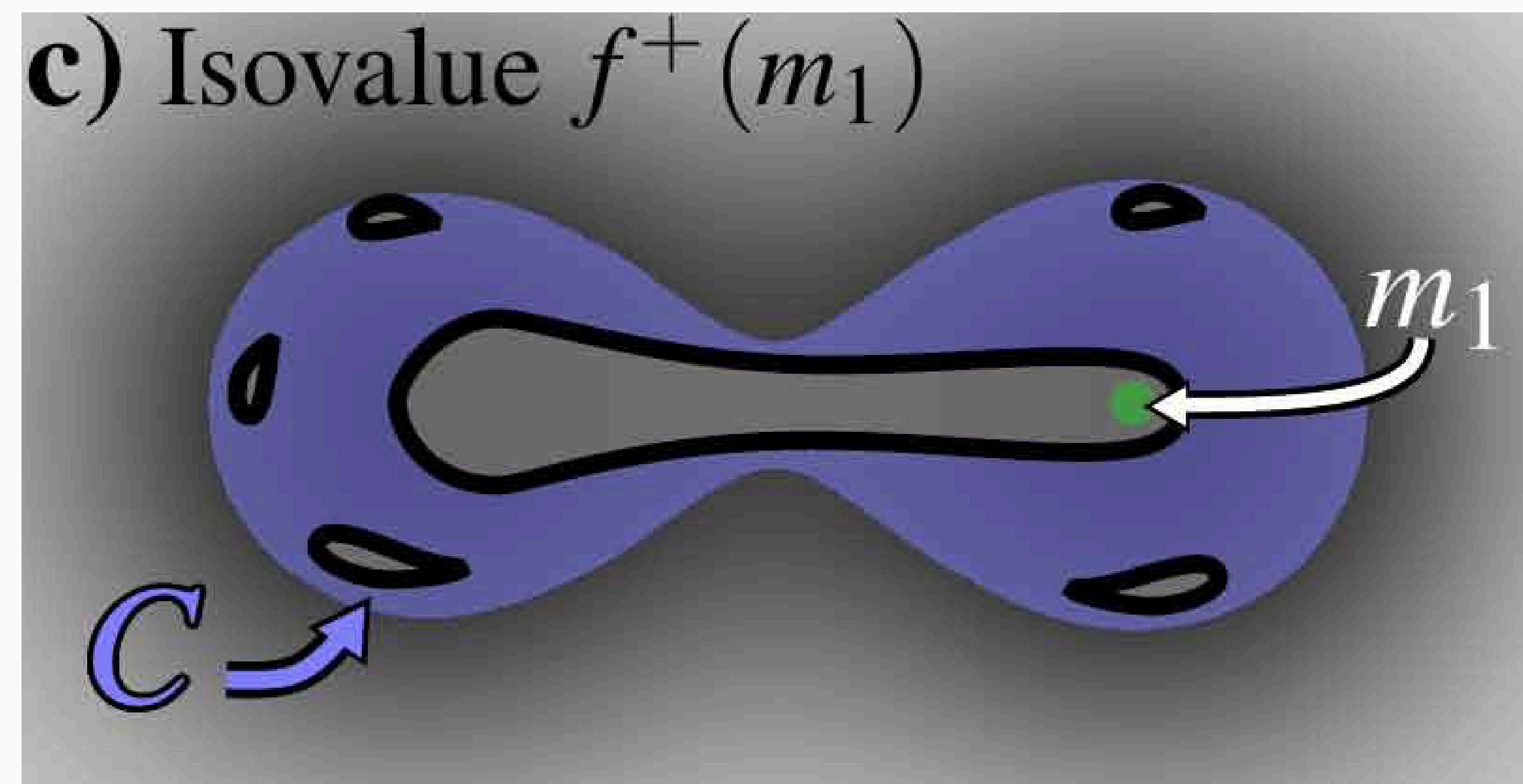
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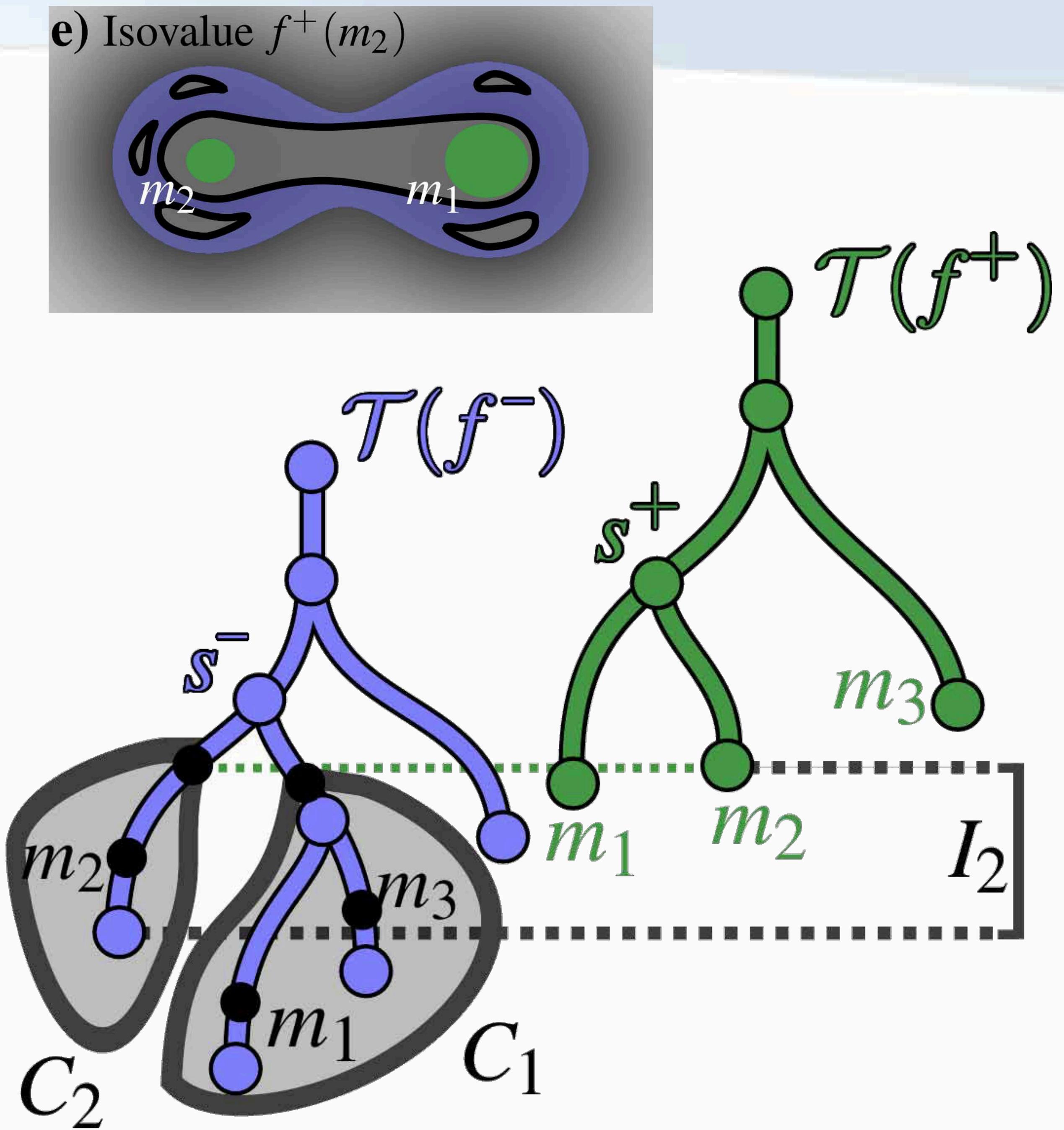
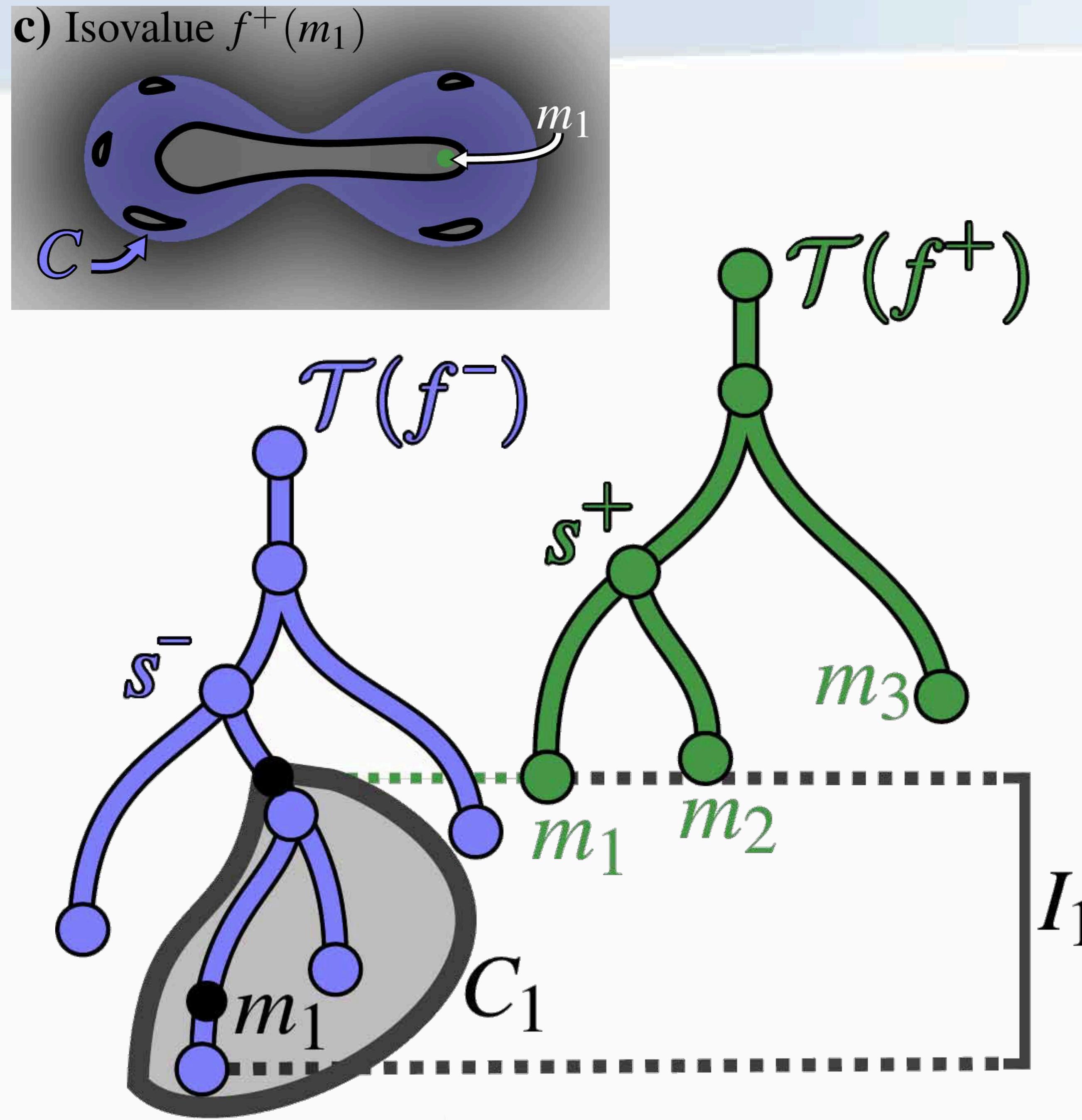
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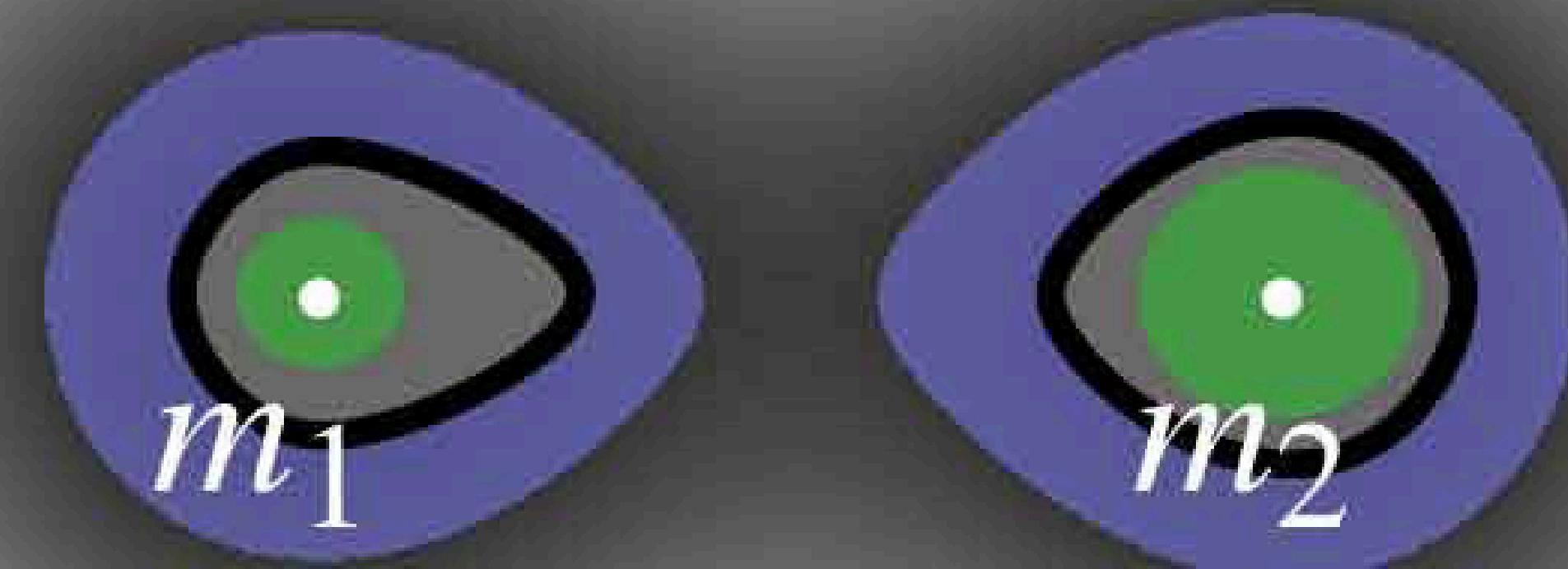
# Mandatory Join Saddle: Definition

- A *Mandatory Minimum*  $S$ 
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  - Minimal interval  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$
  - Such that there exists for any  $g$  *at least* one join saddle  $s$ 
    - $s \in C$
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# Mandatory Join Saddle: Intuition

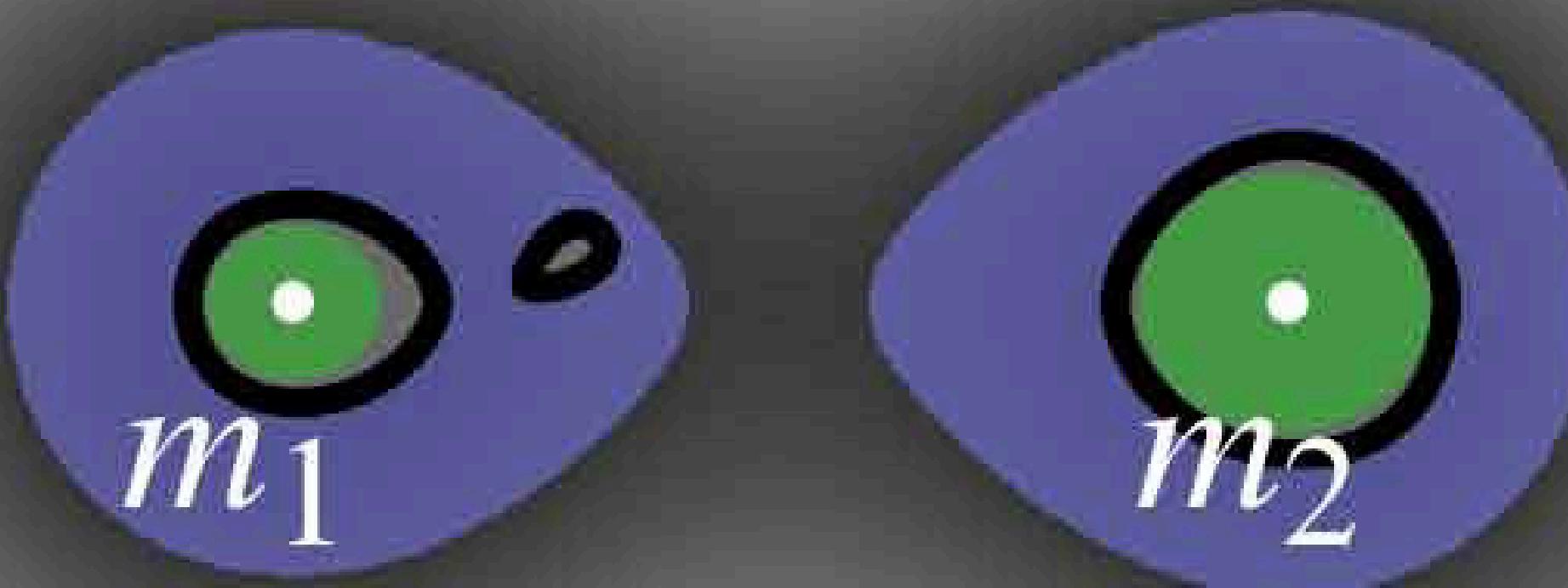
$g_a$

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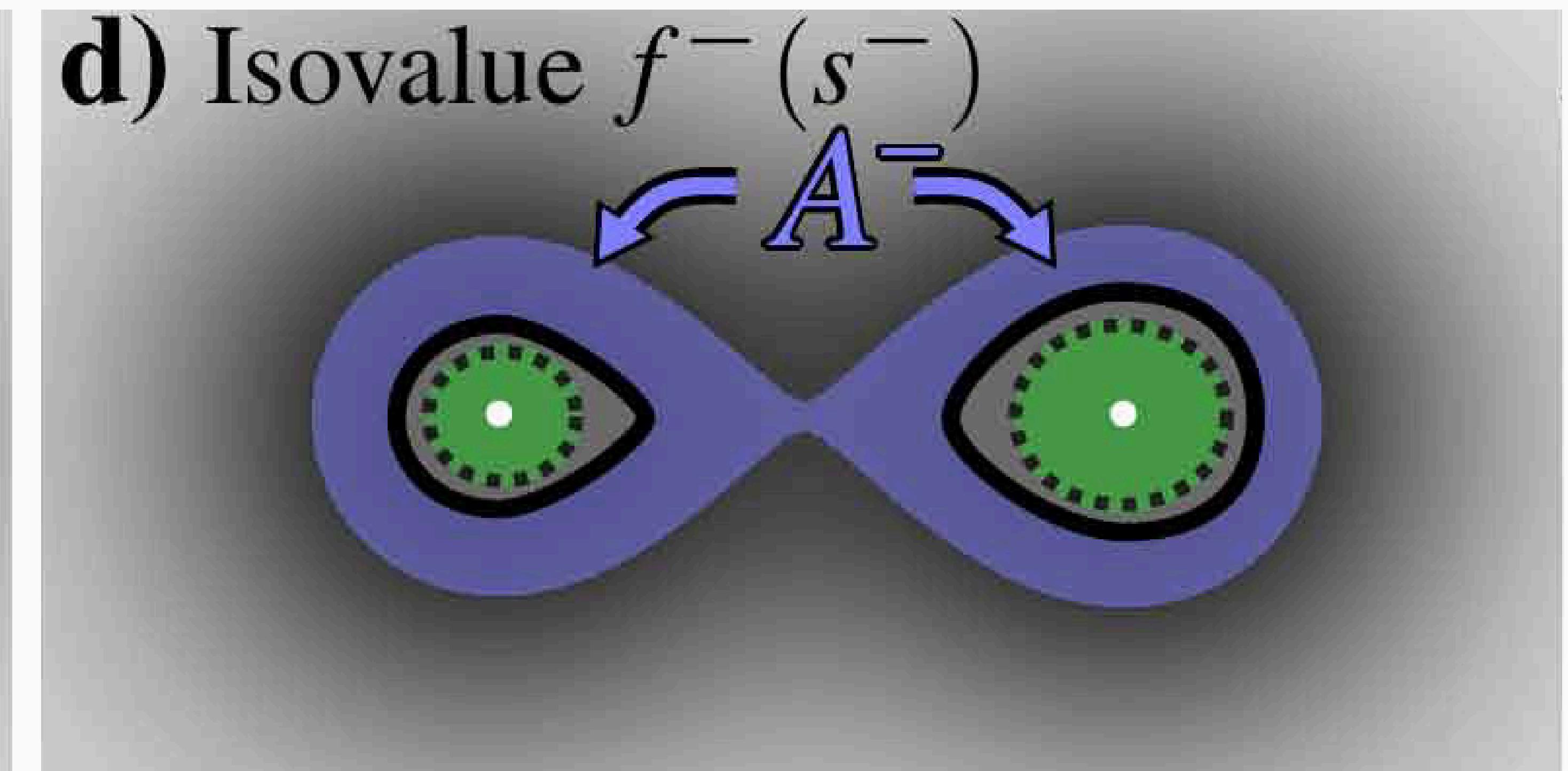
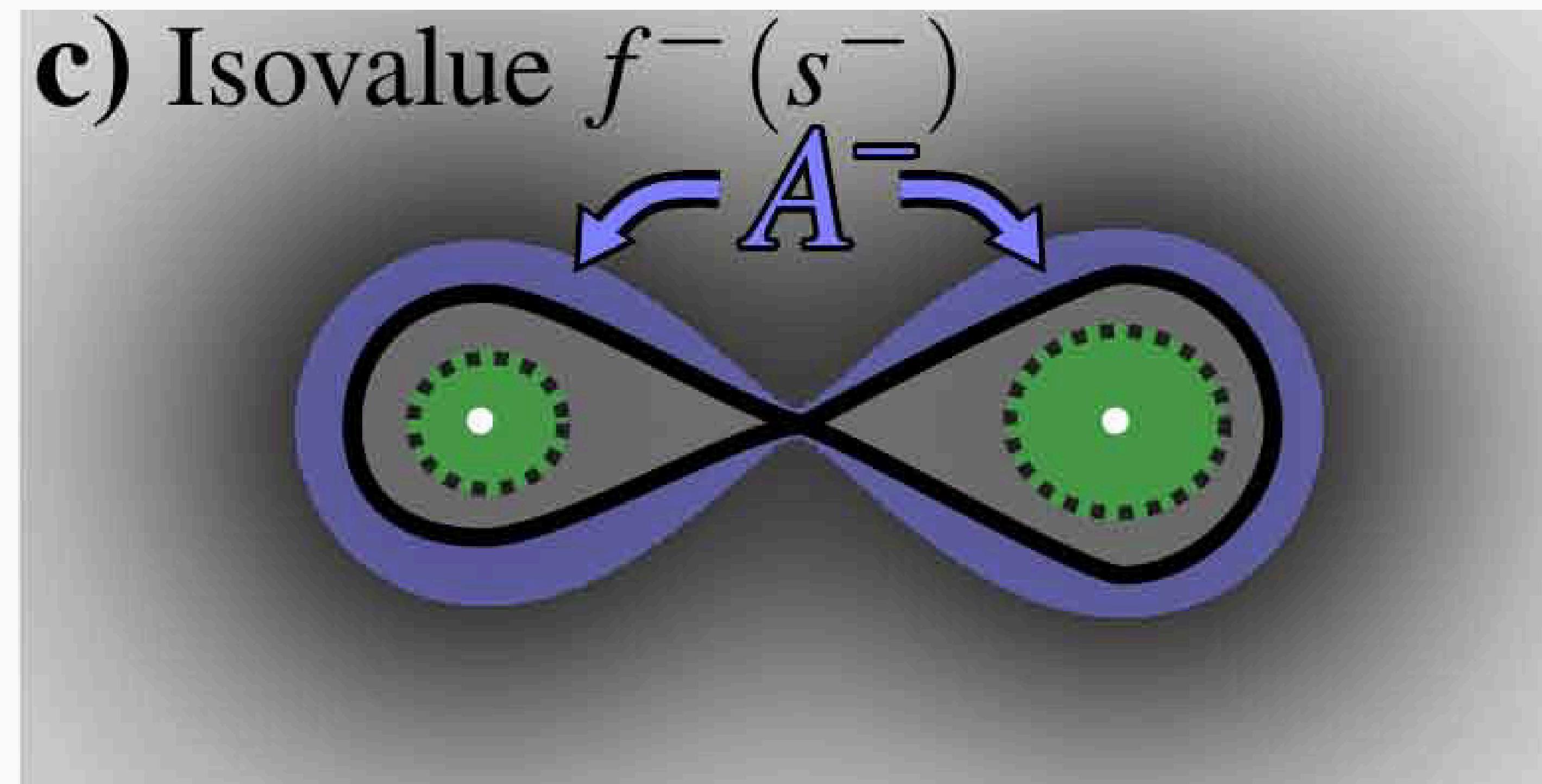


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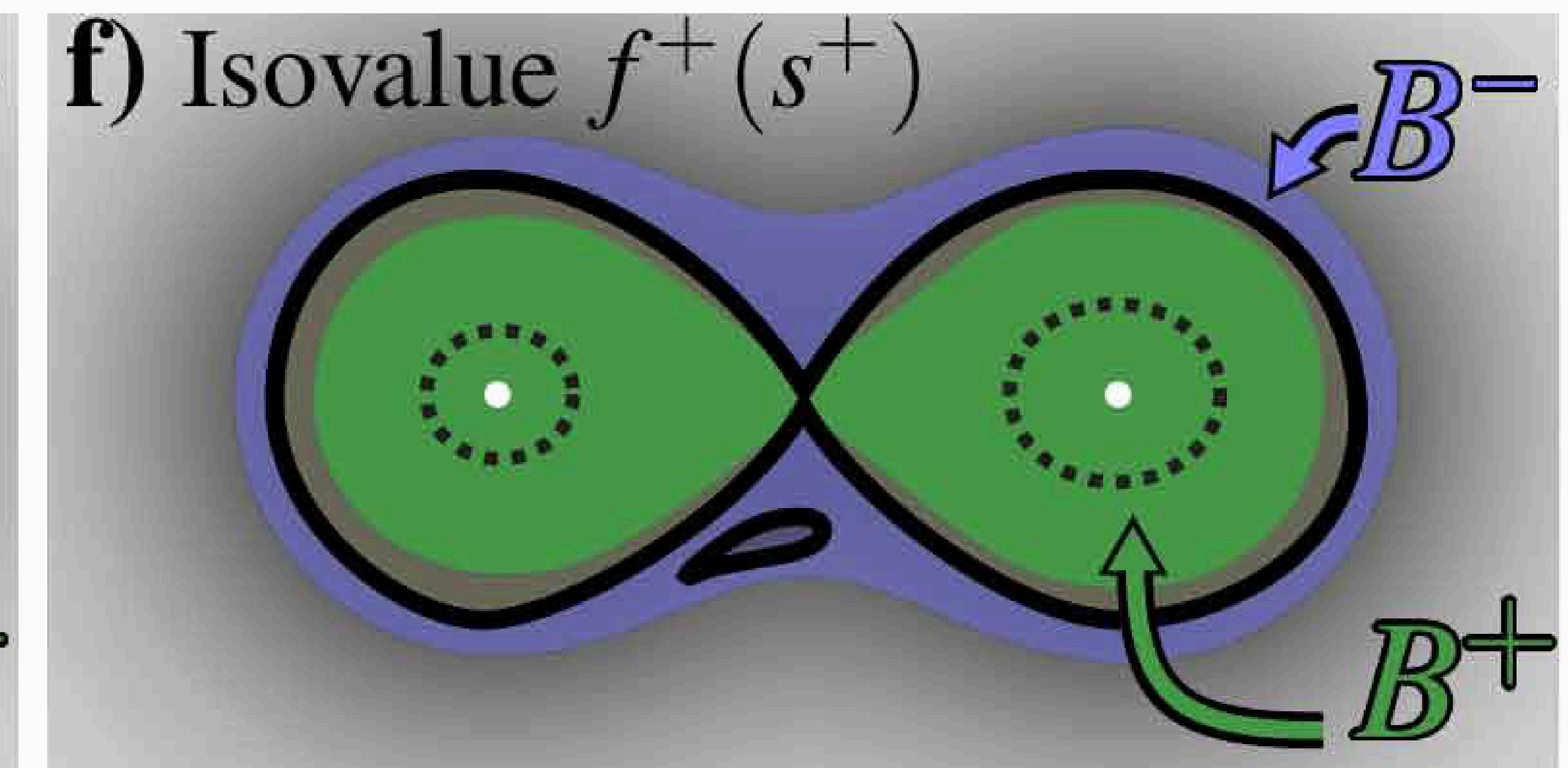
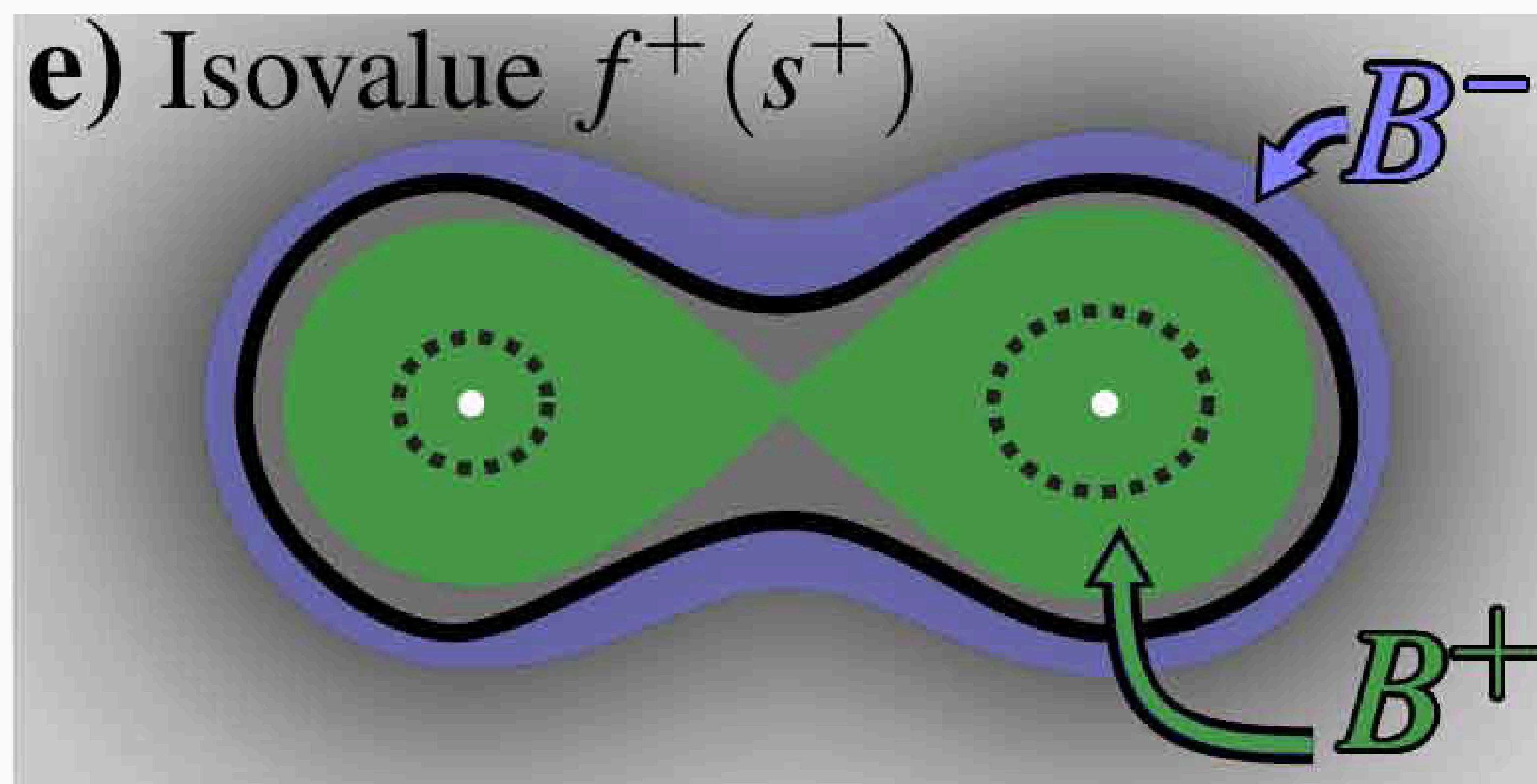
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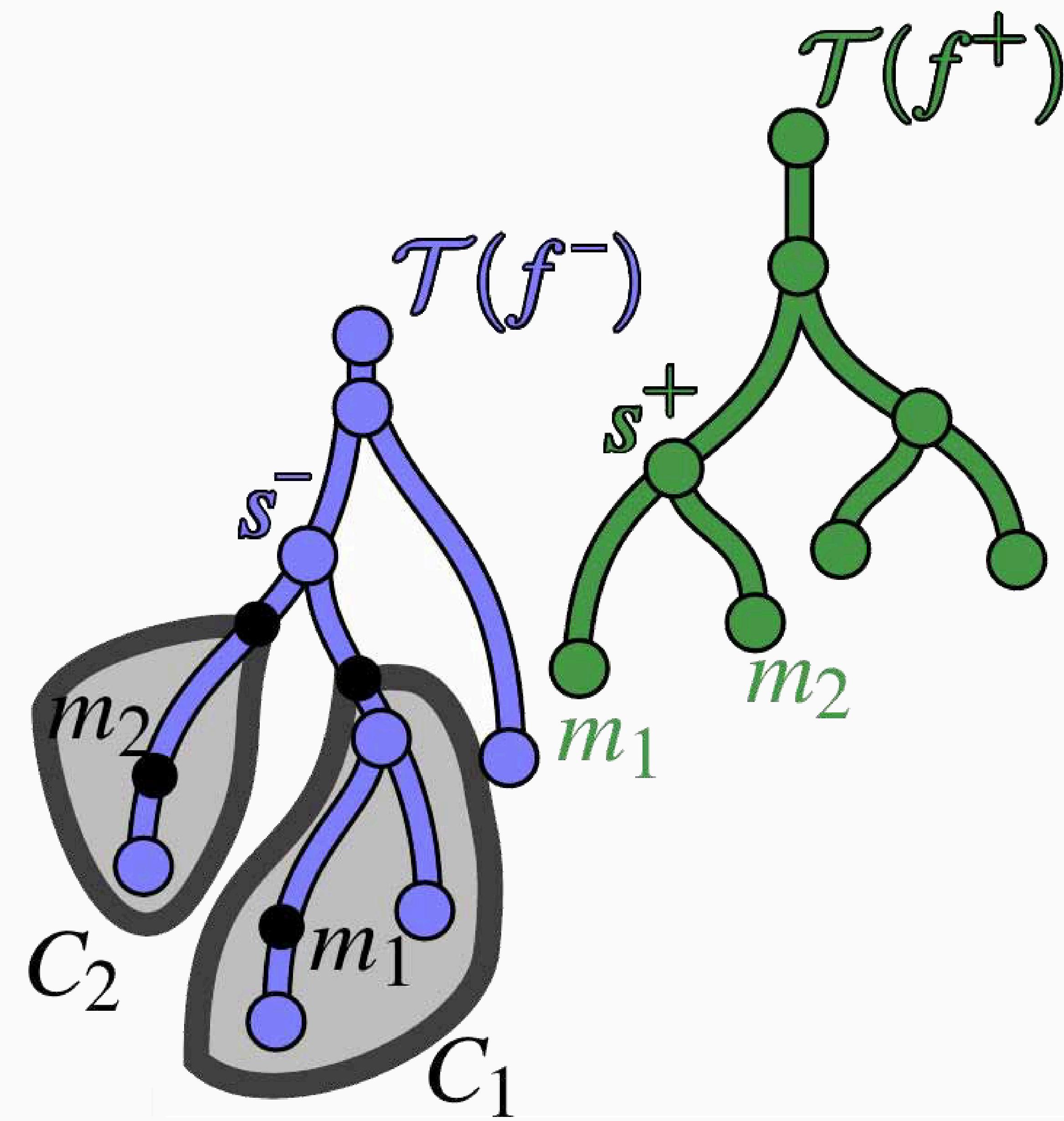
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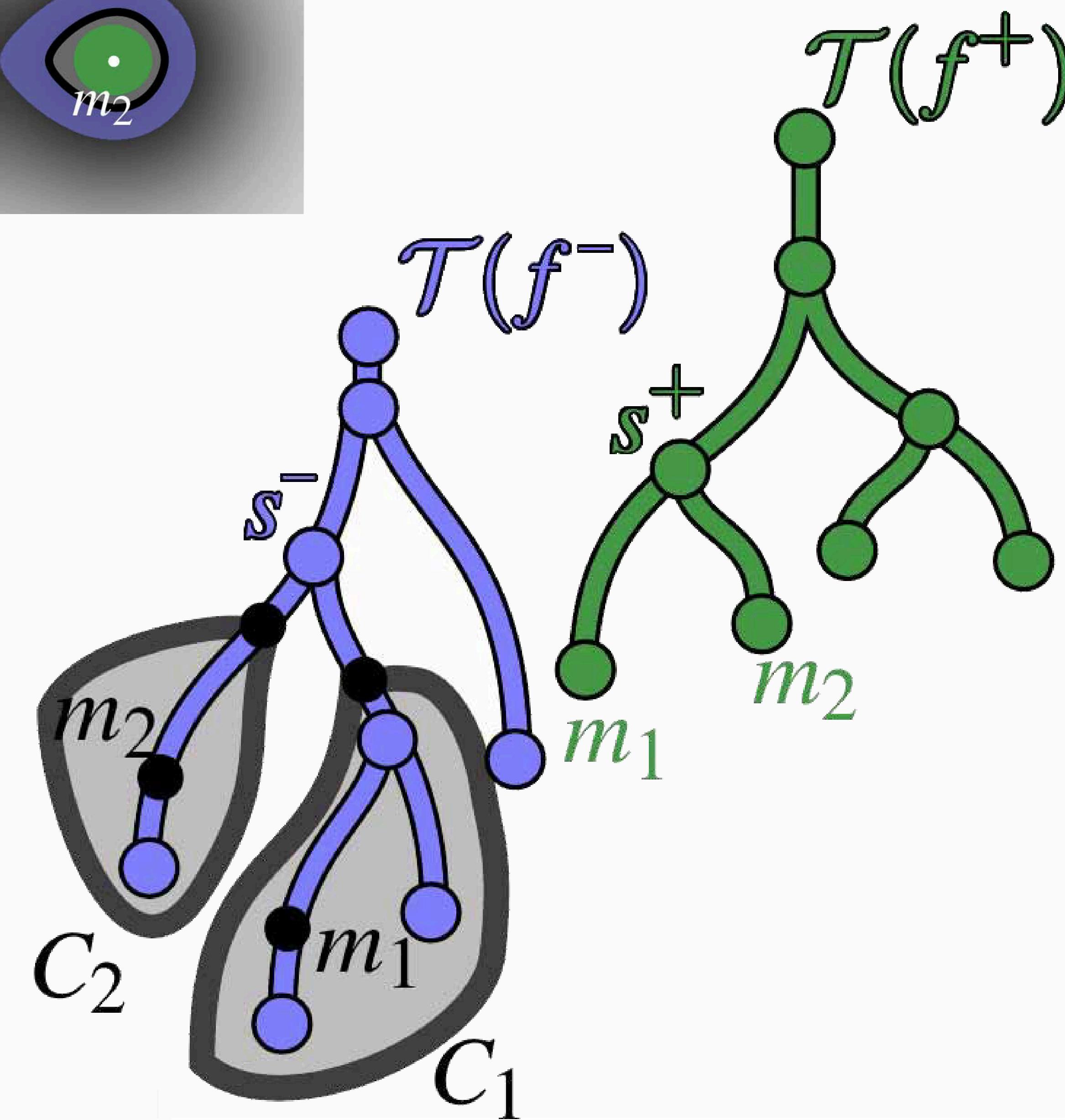
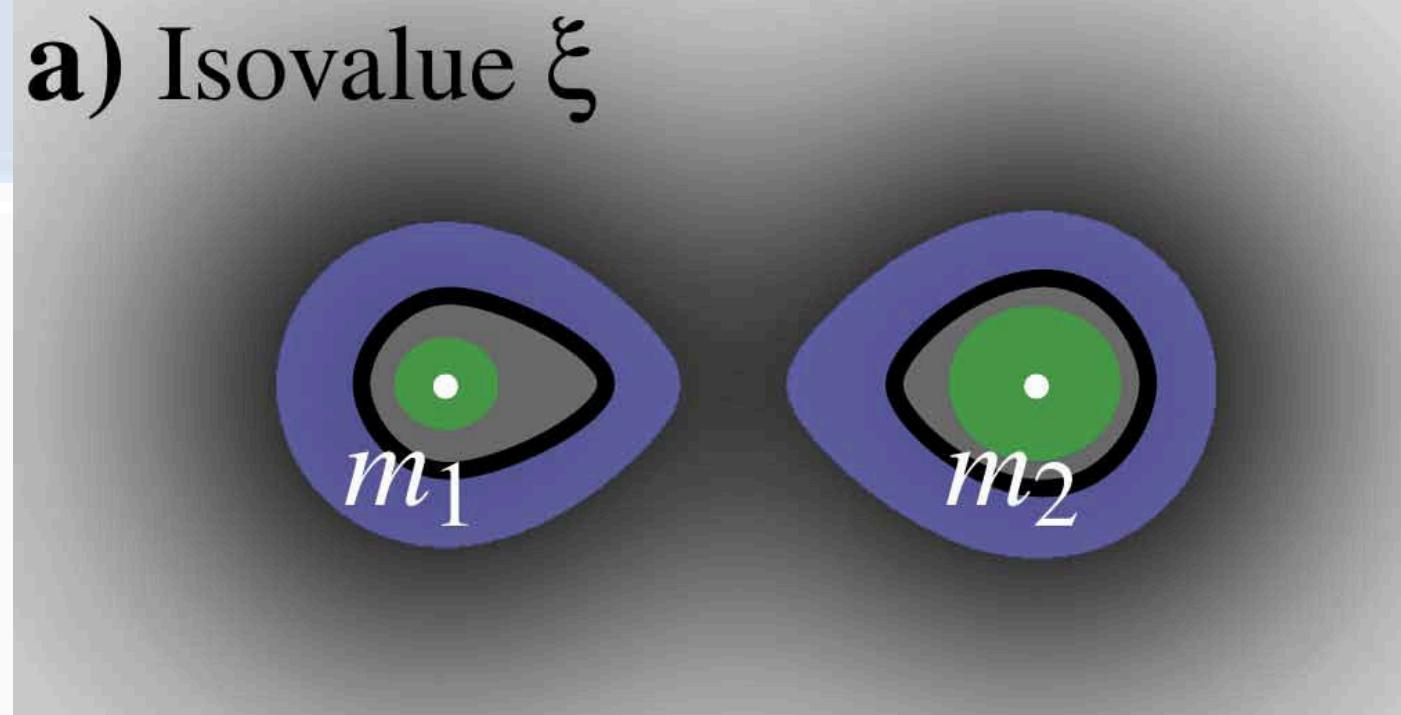


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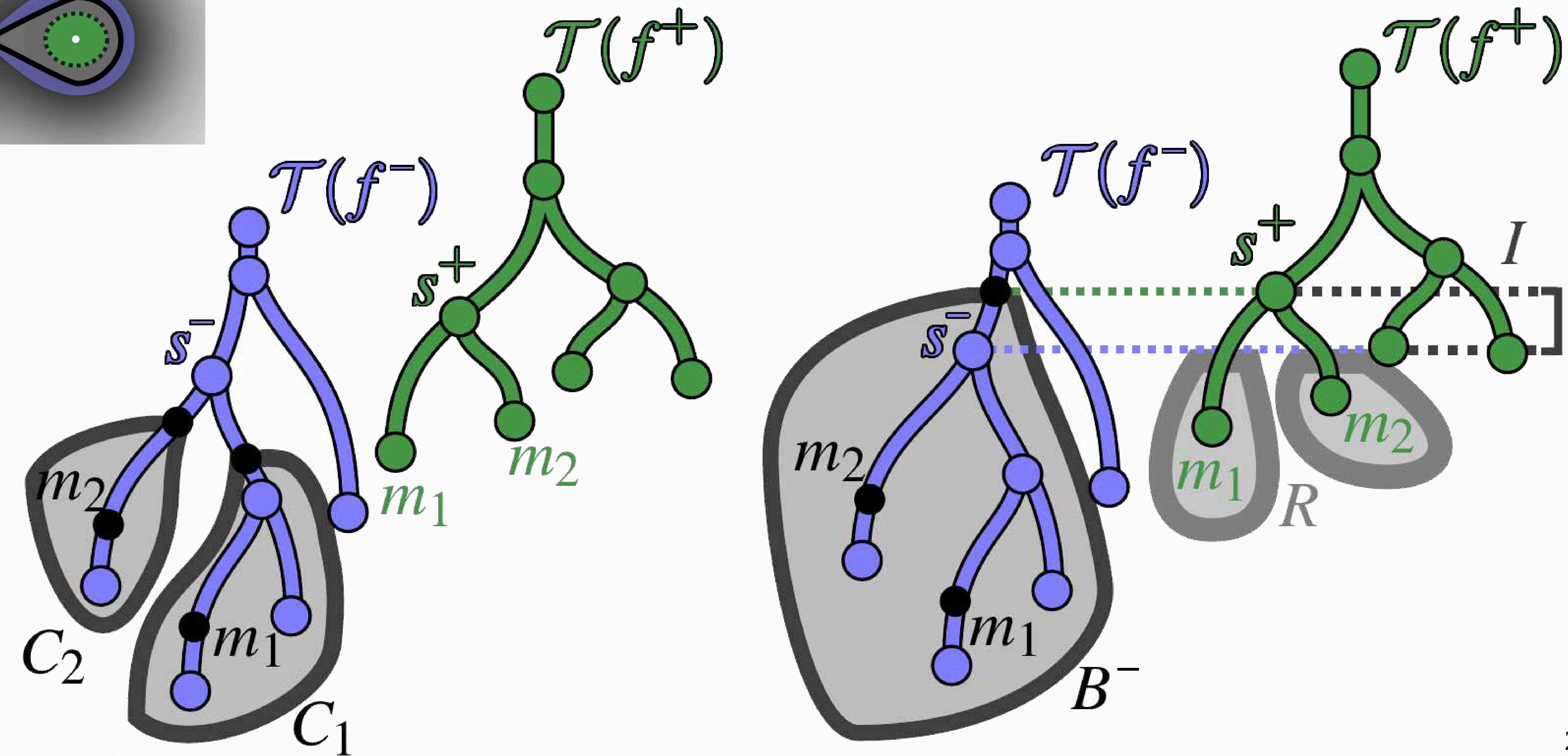
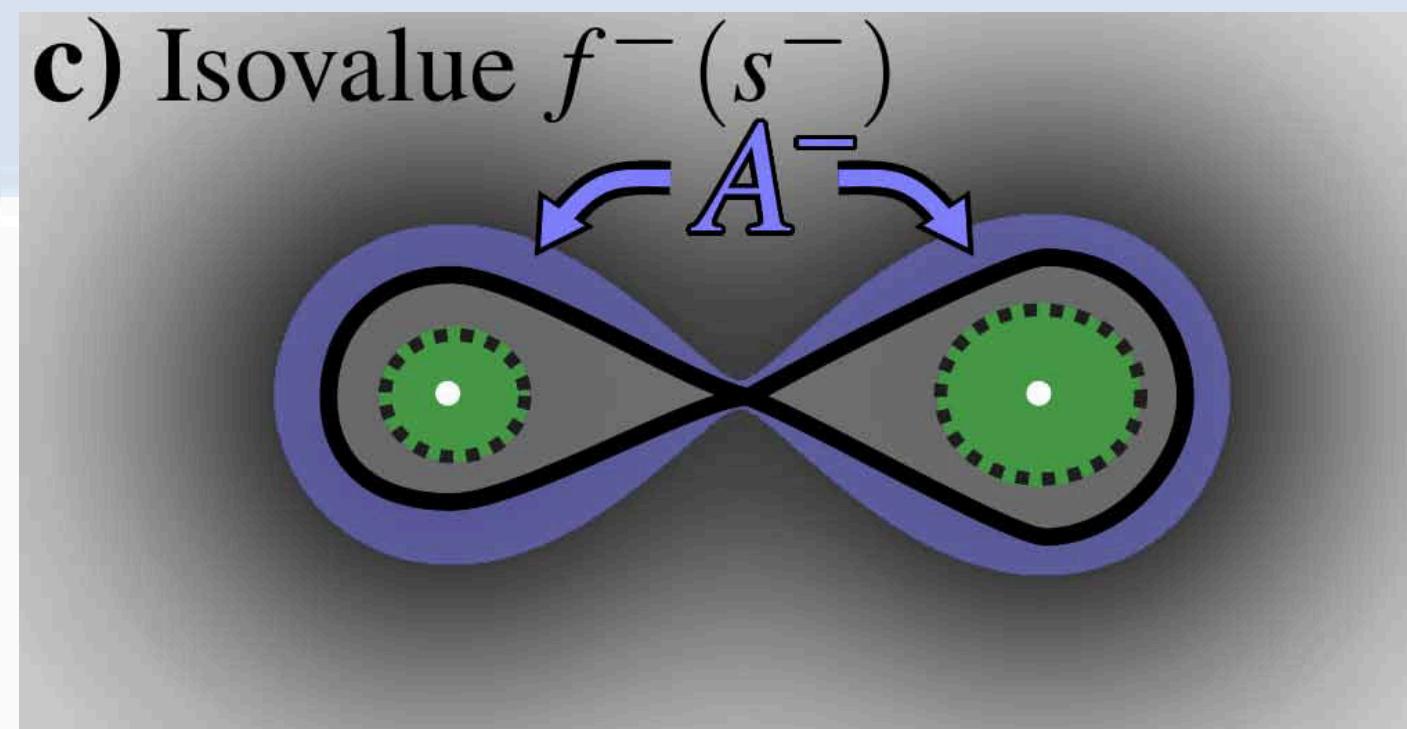


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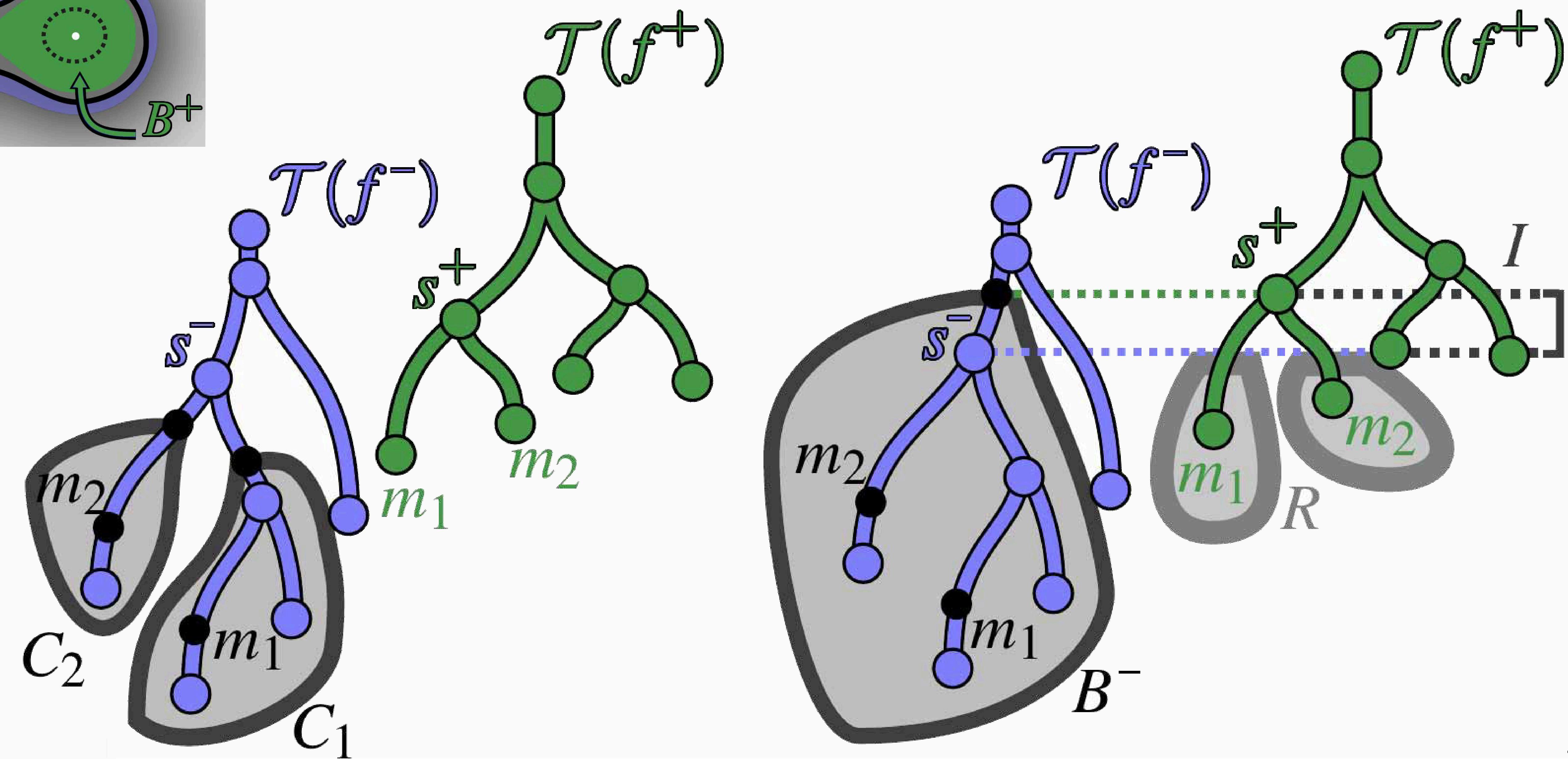
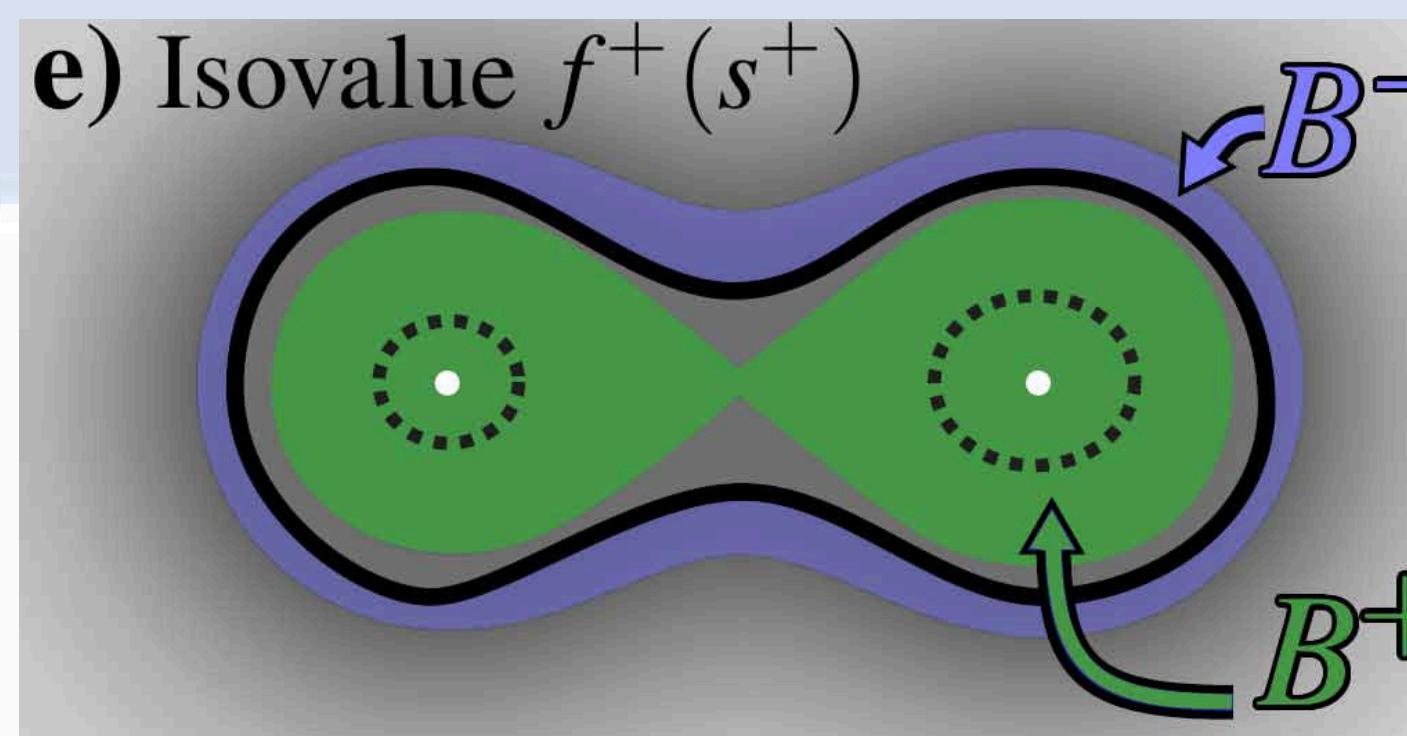
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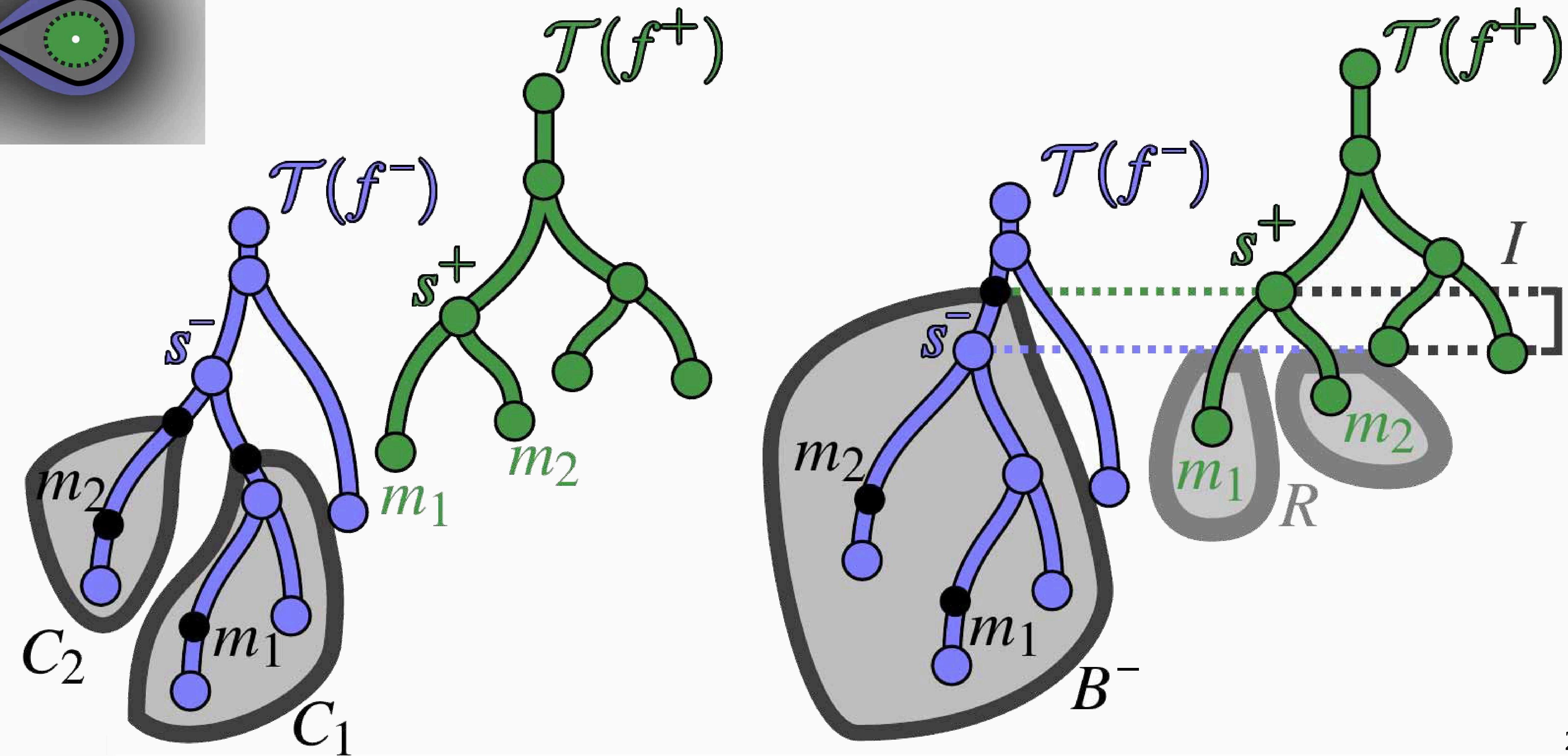
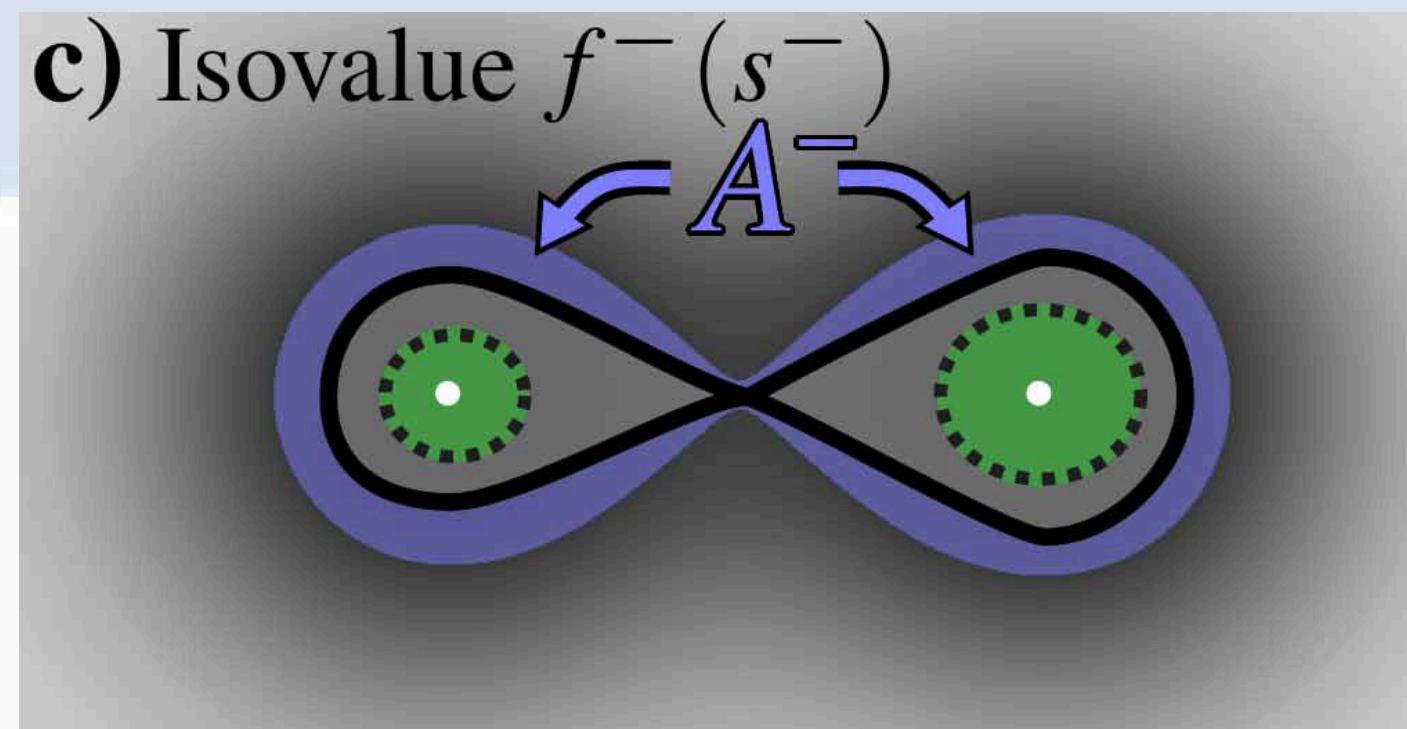
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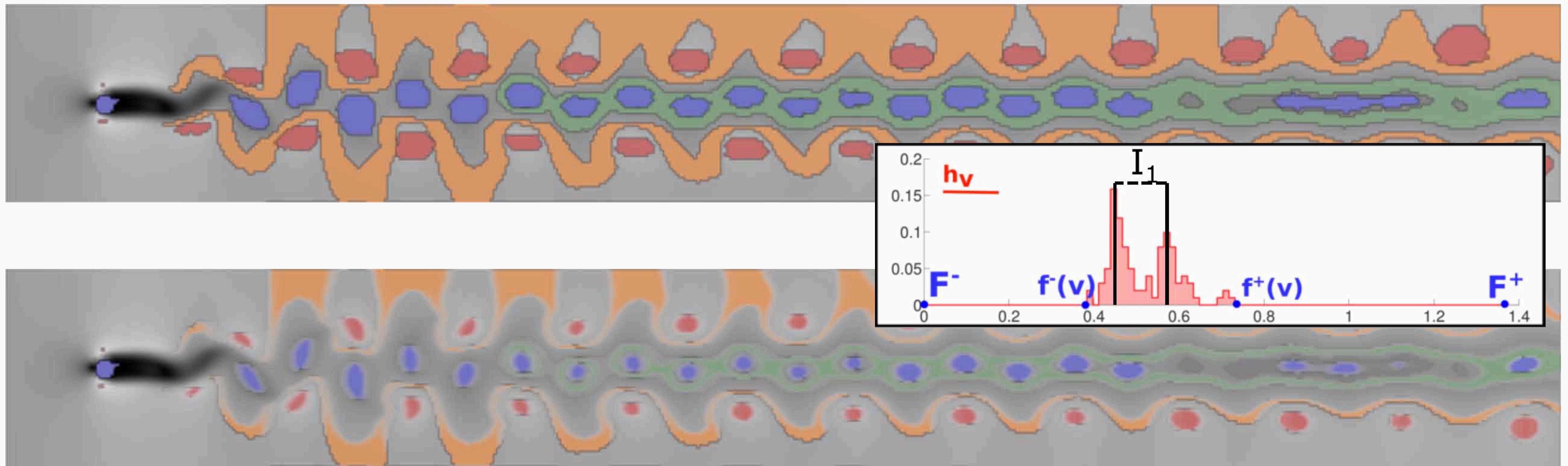
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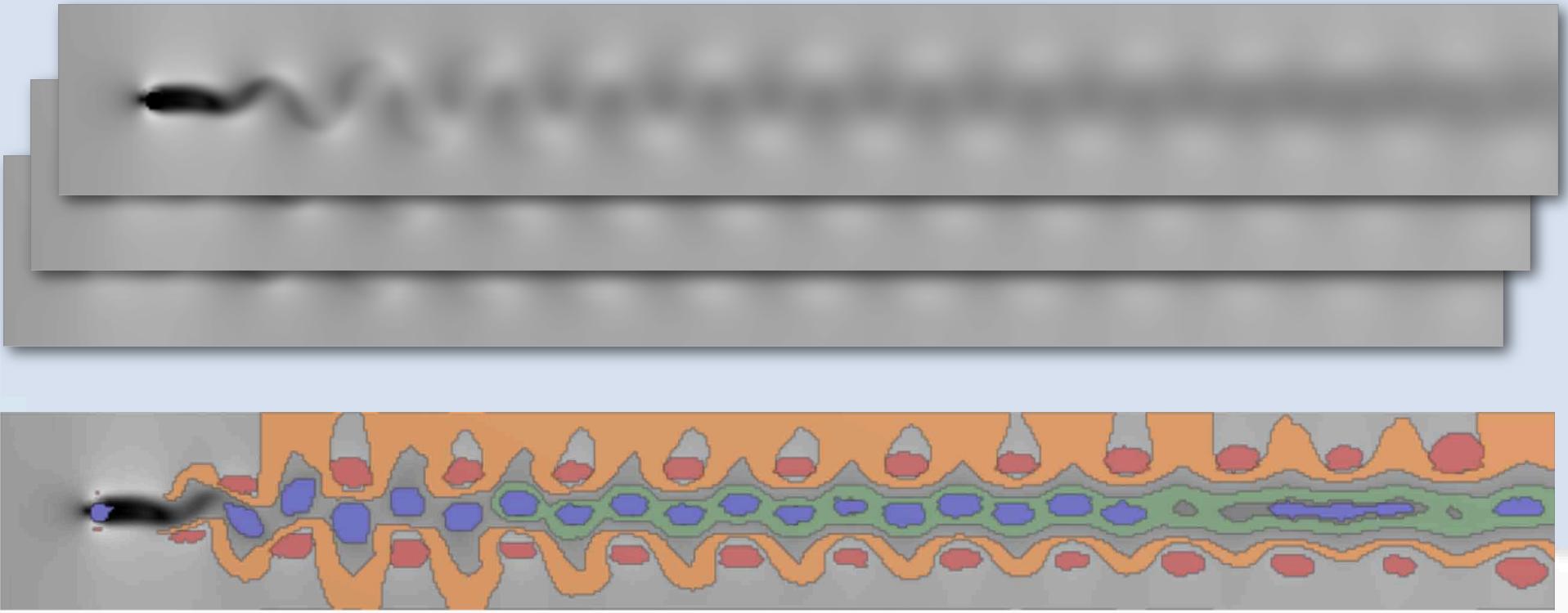
# Critical Components

- Minima
- Join-saddles
- Split-saddles
- Maxima

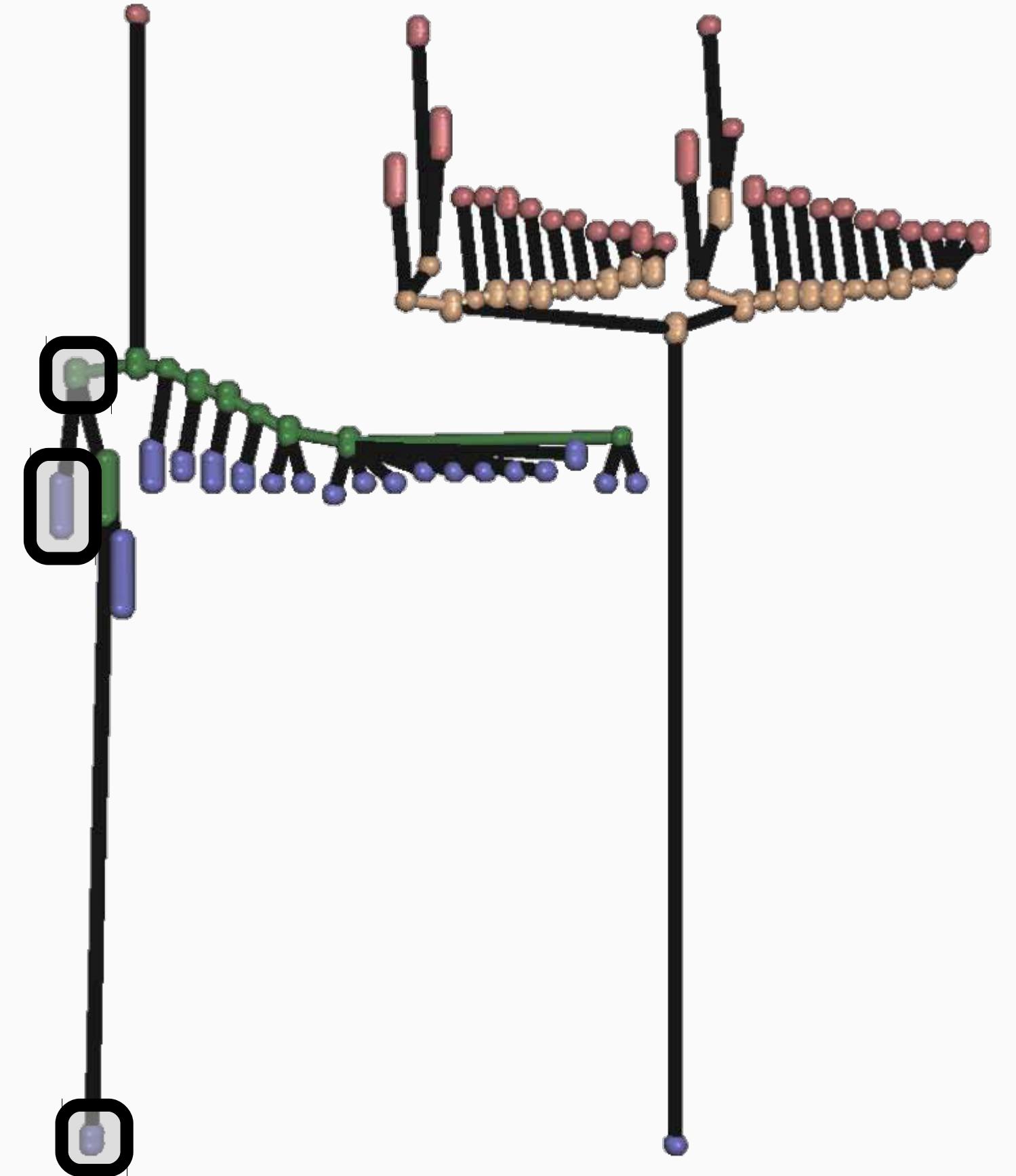


# Experimental Verification

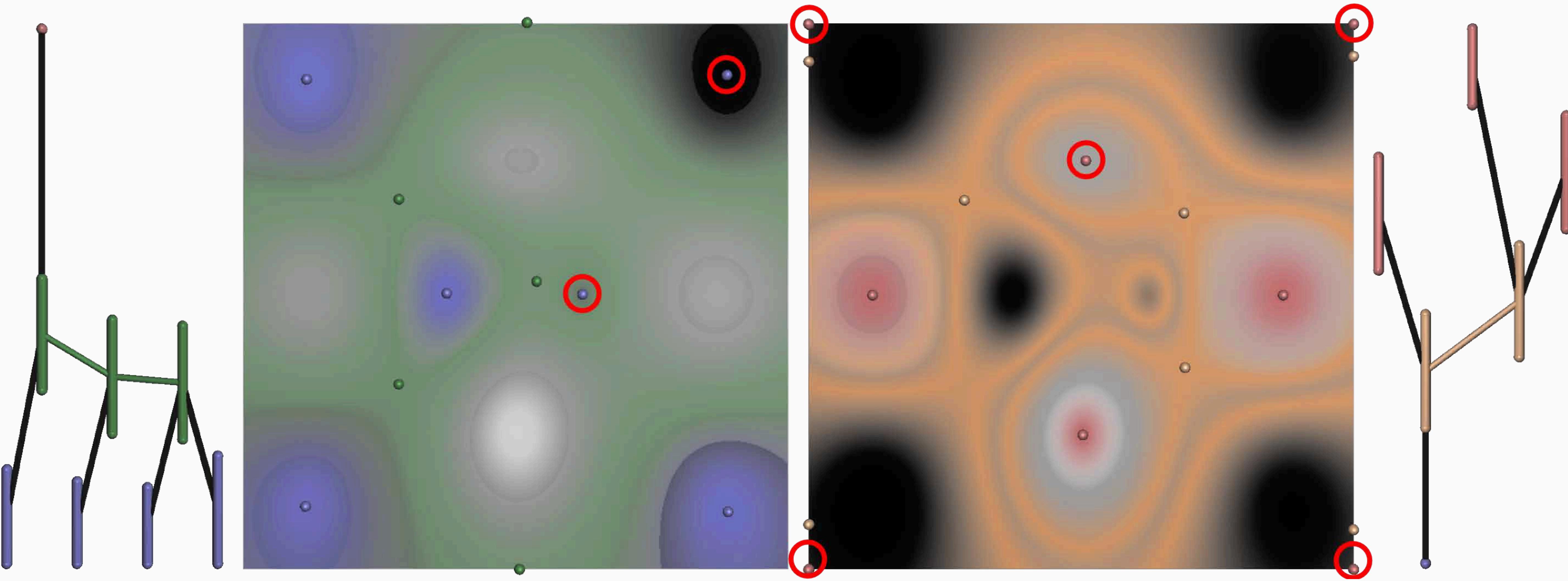
$$\begin{aligned}f_n : \mathcal{D} &\rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ \vdots \\ f_1 : \mathcal{D} &\rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ f_0 : \mathcal{D} &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}\end{aligned}$$



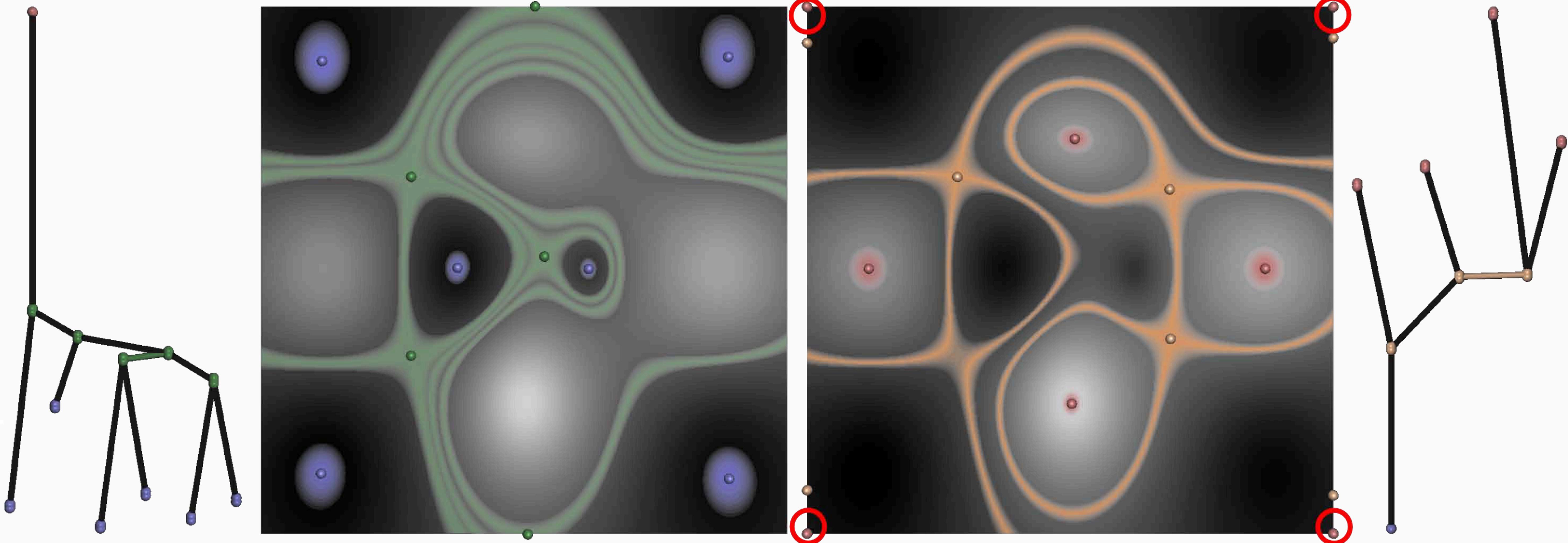
- 5000 random realization fields for each data-set
- Mandatory critical point verification
  - At least one critical point?
    - In the predicted component ok!
    - In the predicted interval ok!
- Mandatory join tree verification
  - Given a triplet  $(M_1, M_2, S)$
  - Predicted triplet  $(m_1, m_2, s)$  ? ok!



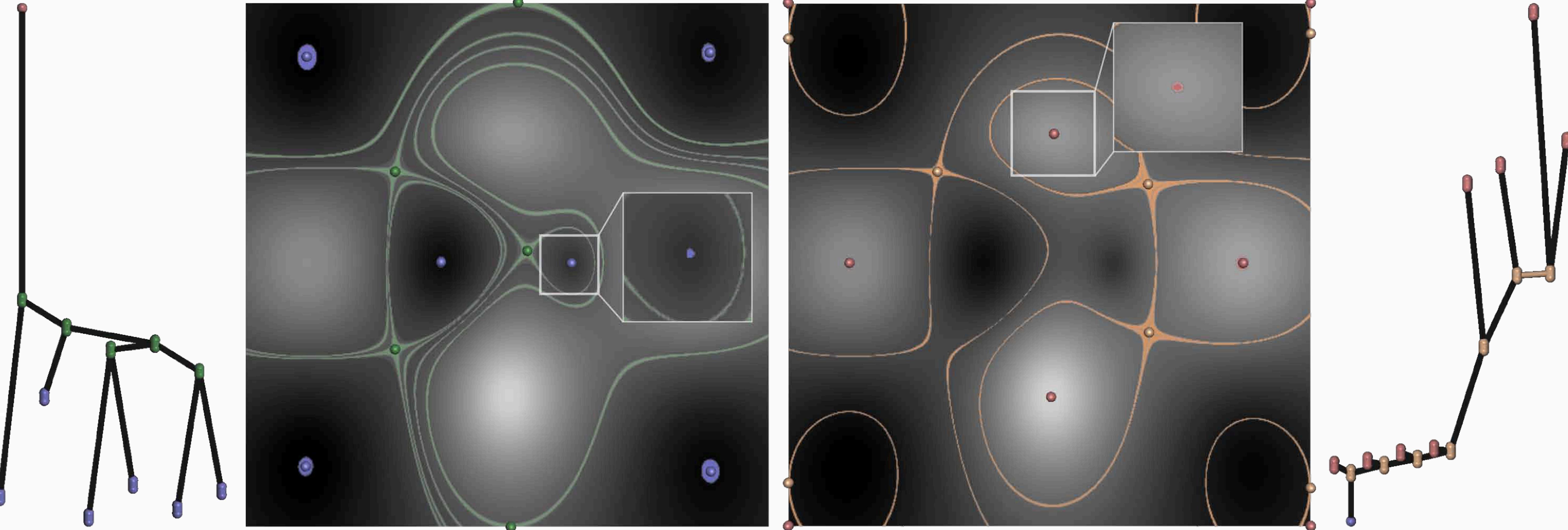
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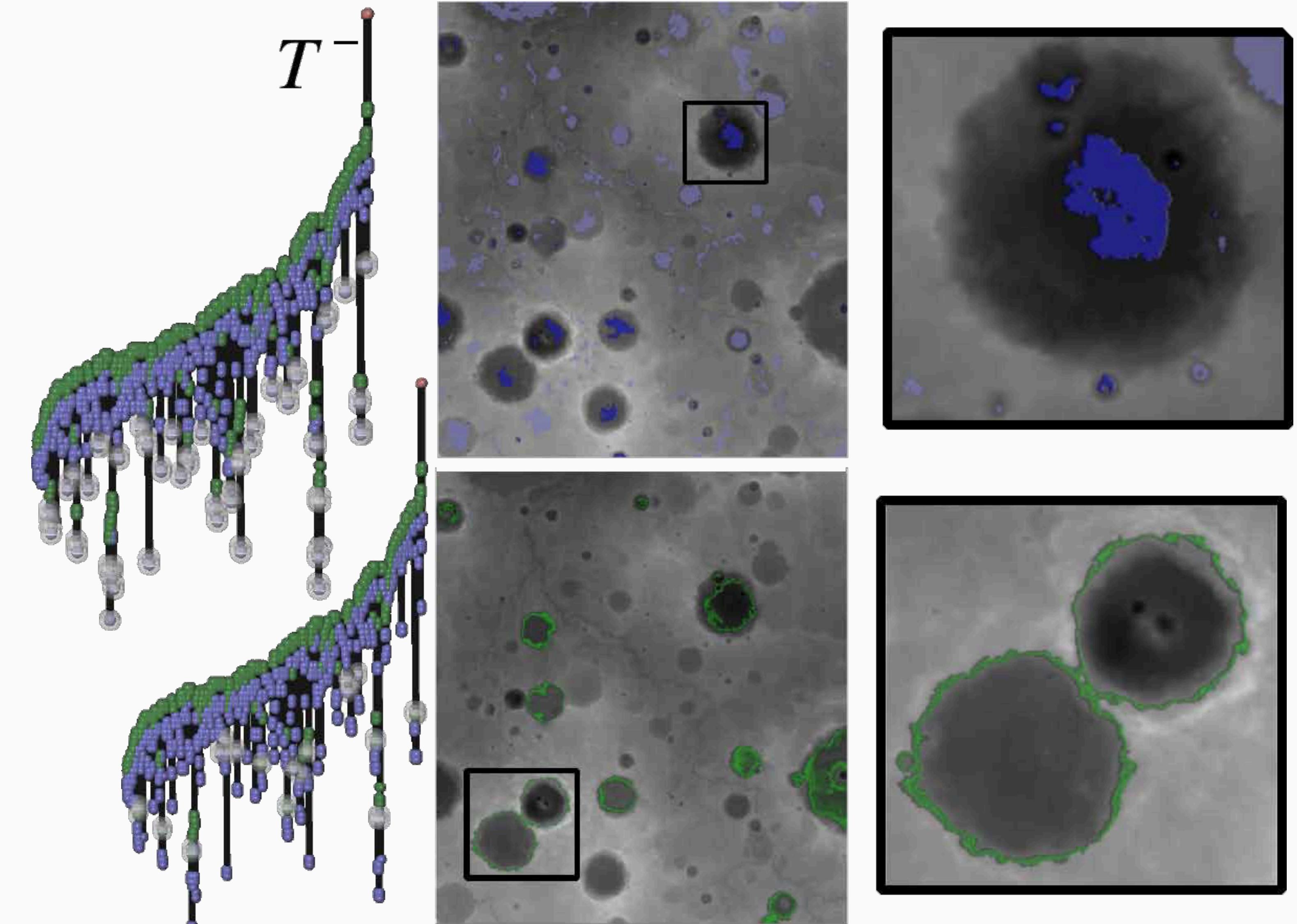


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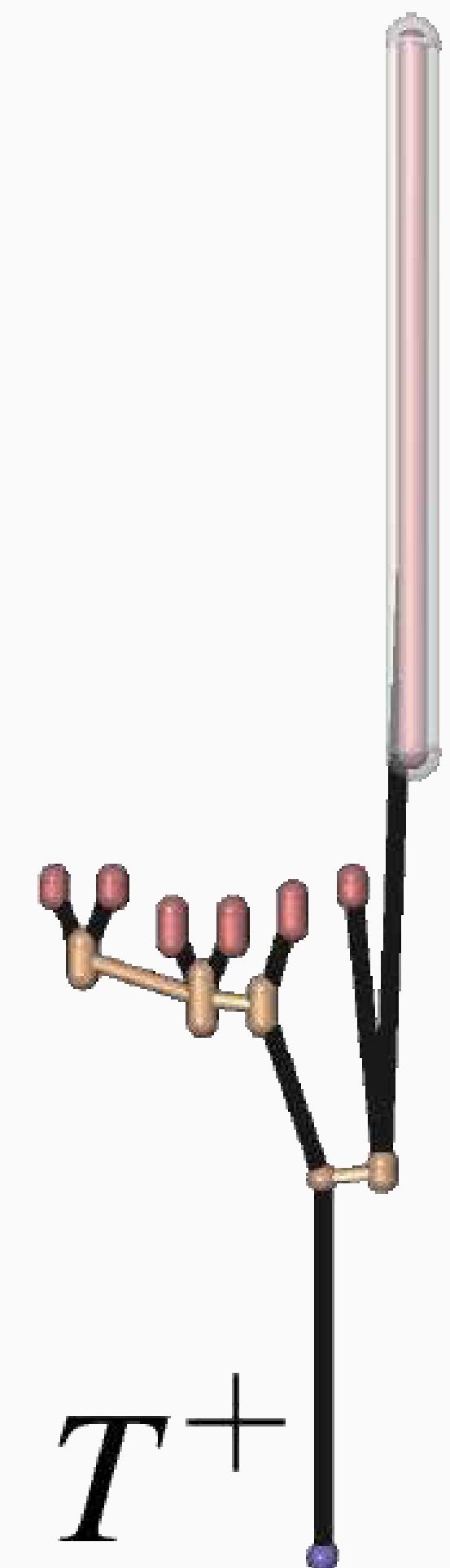
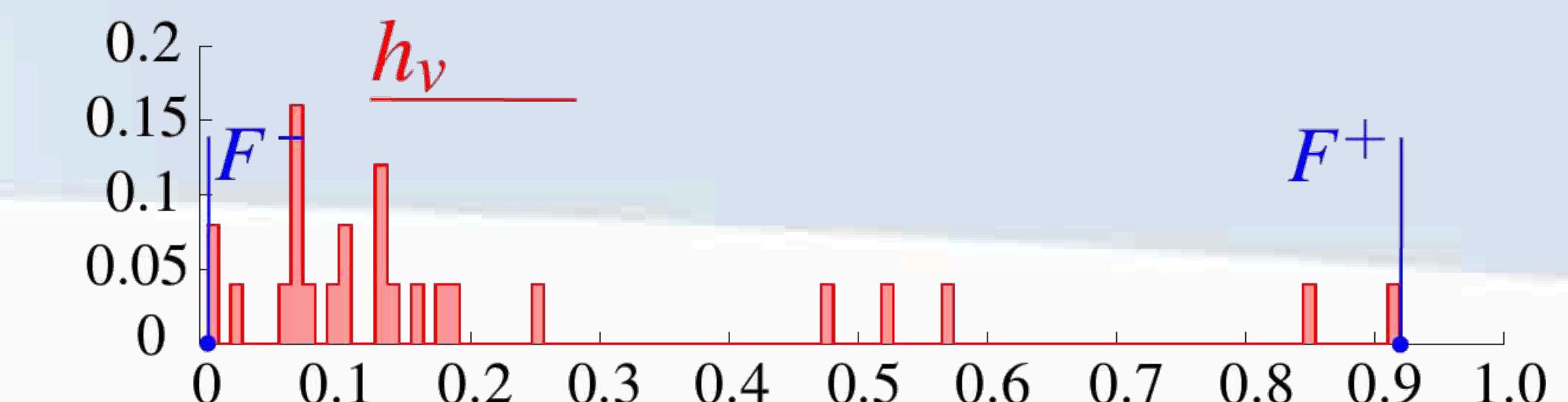
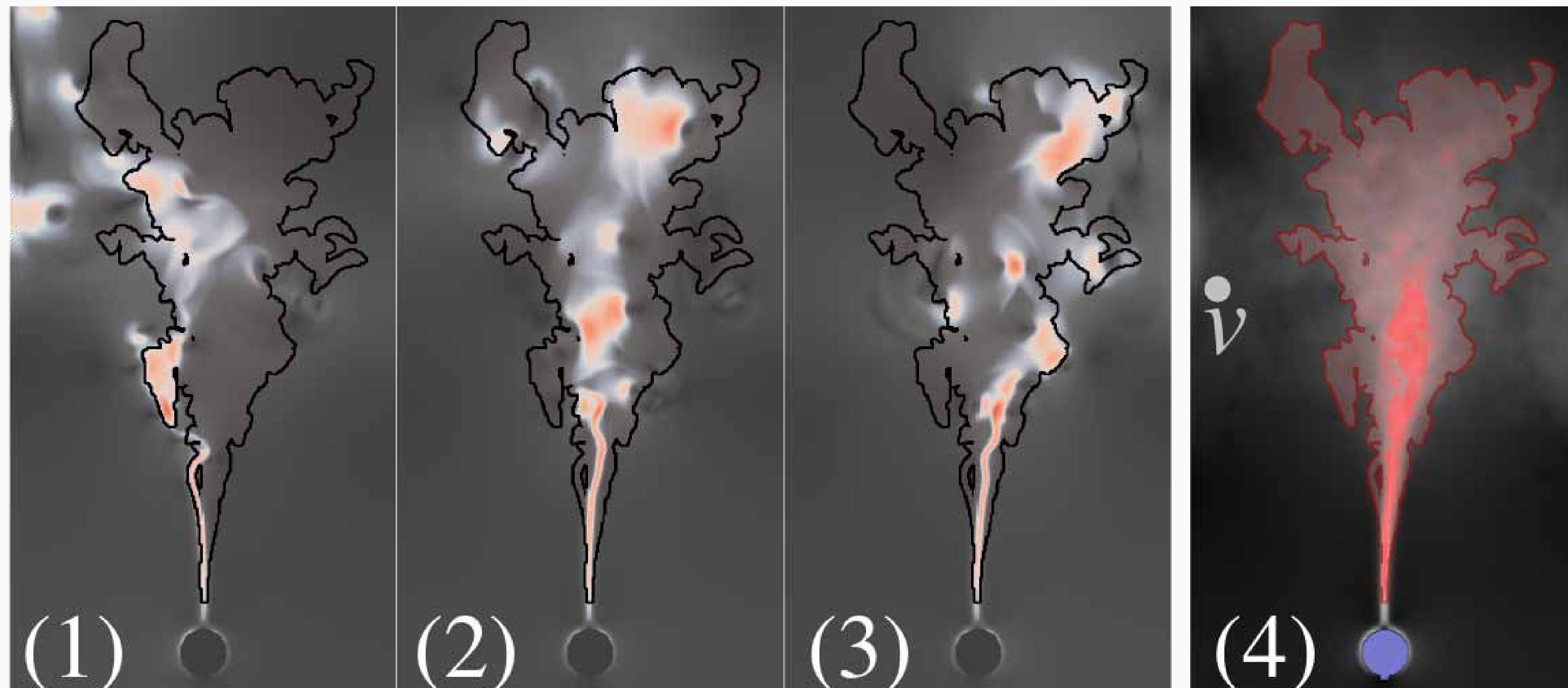


# Experiments: Martian Elevation Map

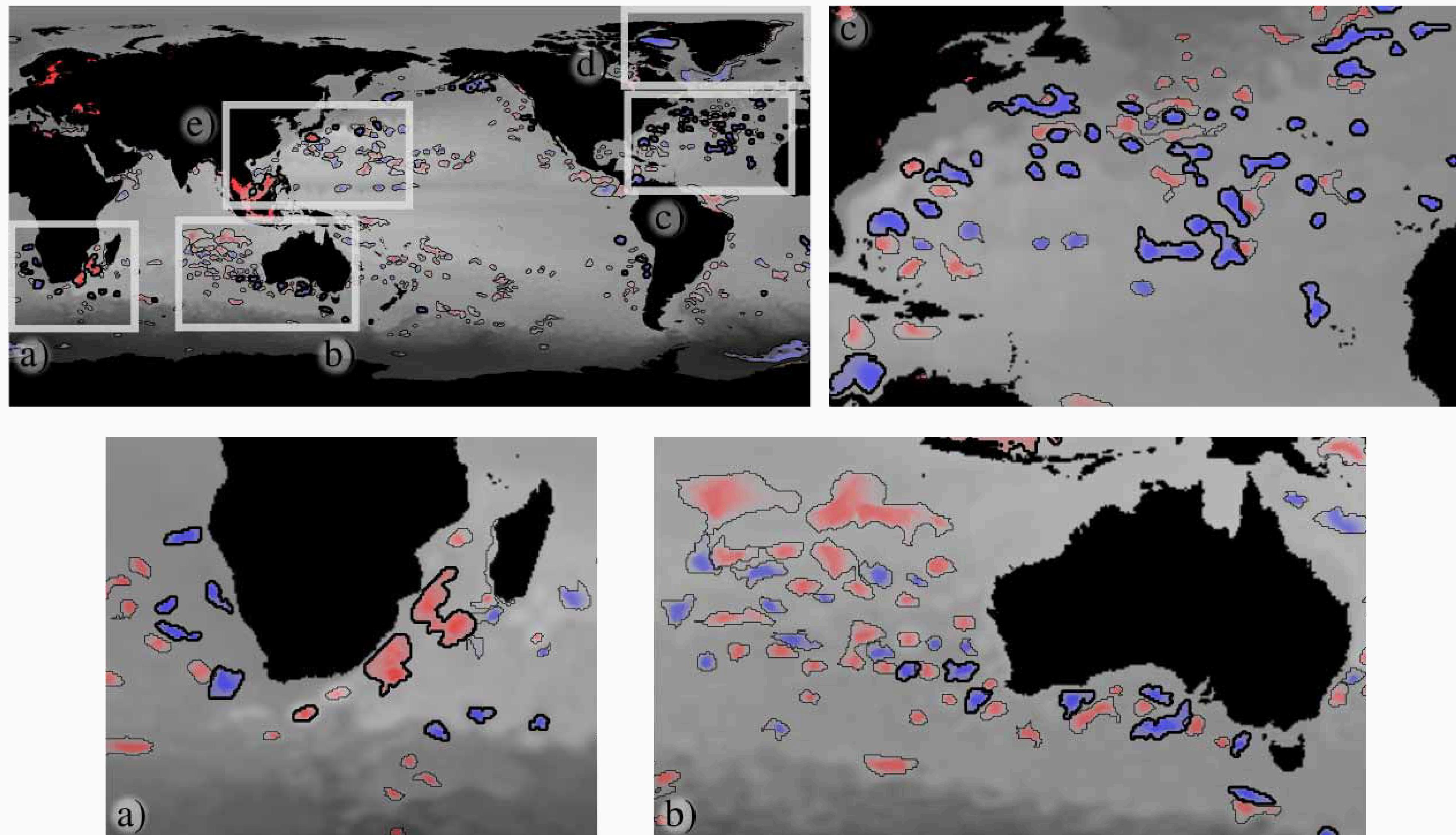
- Elevation error:
  - 40m (1%)
- Positional uncertainty
  - Craters
  - Rims



# Experiments: Heated Cylinder



# Experiments: Sea Surface Height



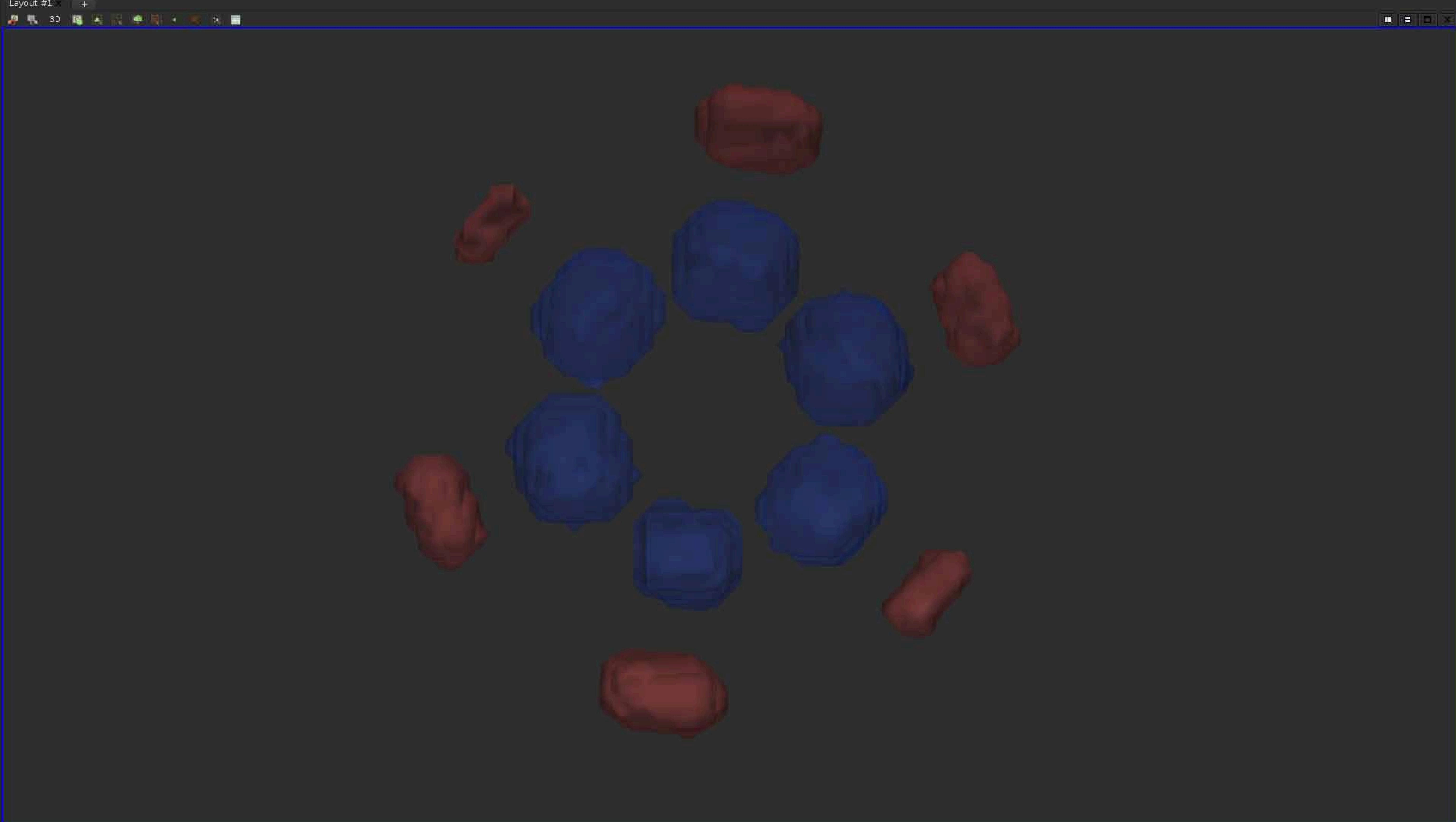
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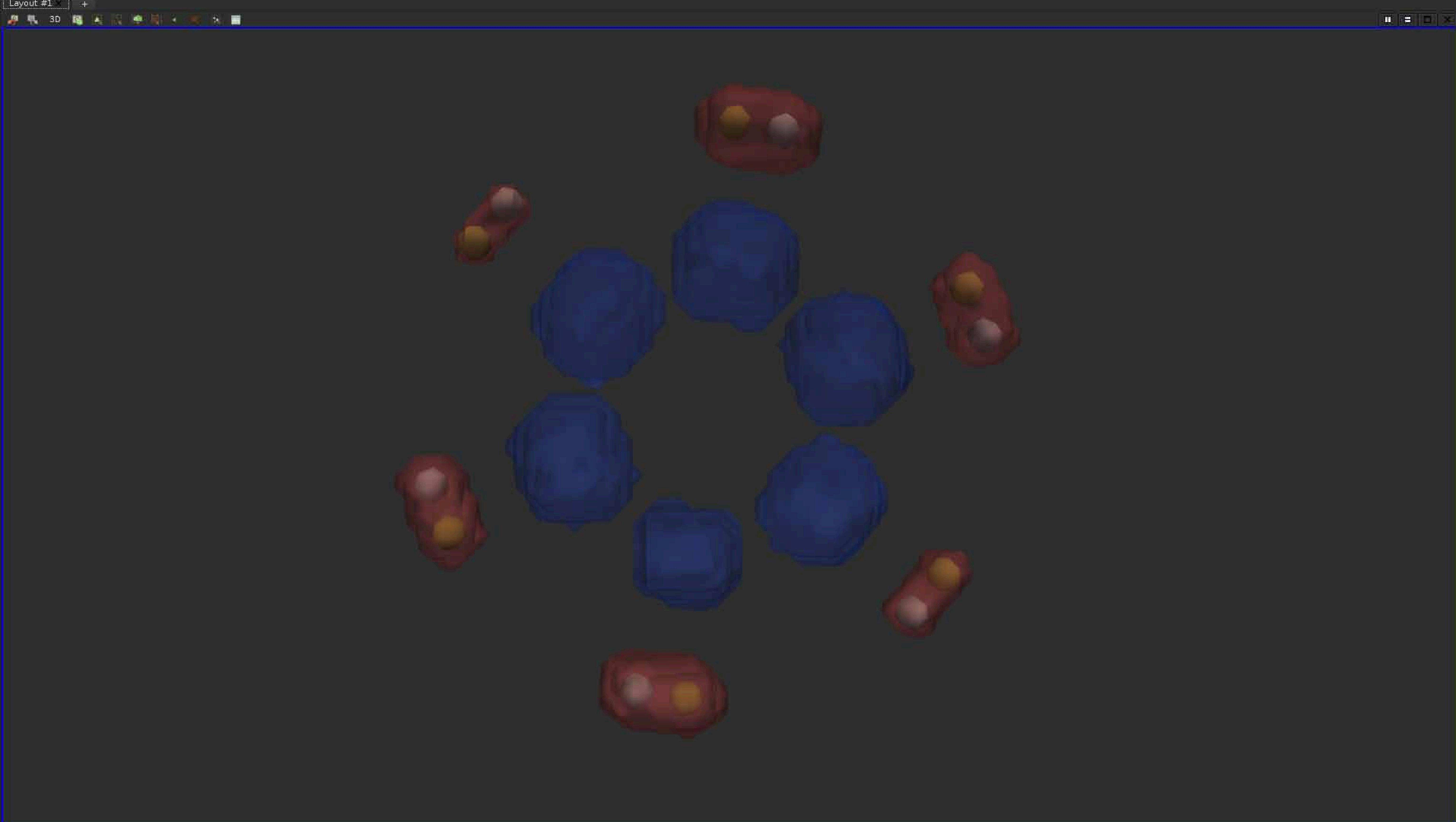
- Time complexity
  - $O(ne^2)$

Data set	$n$	$N$	$e$	$s$	$f^-, f^+$ (sec)	E.C. (sec)	S.C. (sec)	Overall (sec)	O.V. (sec)	R.V. (sec)
Vortex Street	33,345	100	47	35	0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	0.5
Heated Cylinder	197,633	25	8	5	0.4	0.1	< 0.1	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	4.7
Synthetic	262,144		14	12	0.5	0.9	0.1	<b>1.5</b>	0.9	0.9
Sea Surface Height	1,036,800	31	860	235	2.1	0.6	18.0	<b>20.7</b>	10,073.2	76,760.7
Mars	1,476,993		995	784	4.0	1.5	130.3	<b>135.8</b>	81,480.6	> 86,400.0

# Limitations

- Key assumption
  - Compact support with reliable estimation
- Time complexity
- Probable critical points?
- Volumetric data?







# Conclusion

- Overview of Topological Data Analysis for Visualization
  - Critical Points
  - Persistence
  - Structural representations
- Extension to the uncertain setting
- Perspectives: inSitu, multi-variate, vectors and tensors

# Questions?

- Thanks!

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