

Scatter, cluster, scatter, model

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Scattering diagrams

Cluster algebras

Combinatorial models

Mutation

Scattering diagrams arose from mirror symmetry.

Cluster algebras arose in the study of total positivity and found surprising connections to many algebraic and geometric areas.

Cluster scattering diagrams were applied to prove longstanding conjectures about cluster algebras.

More recently, a connection was discovered with **scattering amplitudes** in physics.

An important output of scattering diagrams are **theta functions**.

Today's goals:

- Introduce and connect scattering diagrams and cluster algebras.
- Mention the connection to scattering amplitudes.
- Survey the state of complete **combinatorial models** for cluster algebras and cluster scattering diagrams.

Section 1: Scattering diagrams

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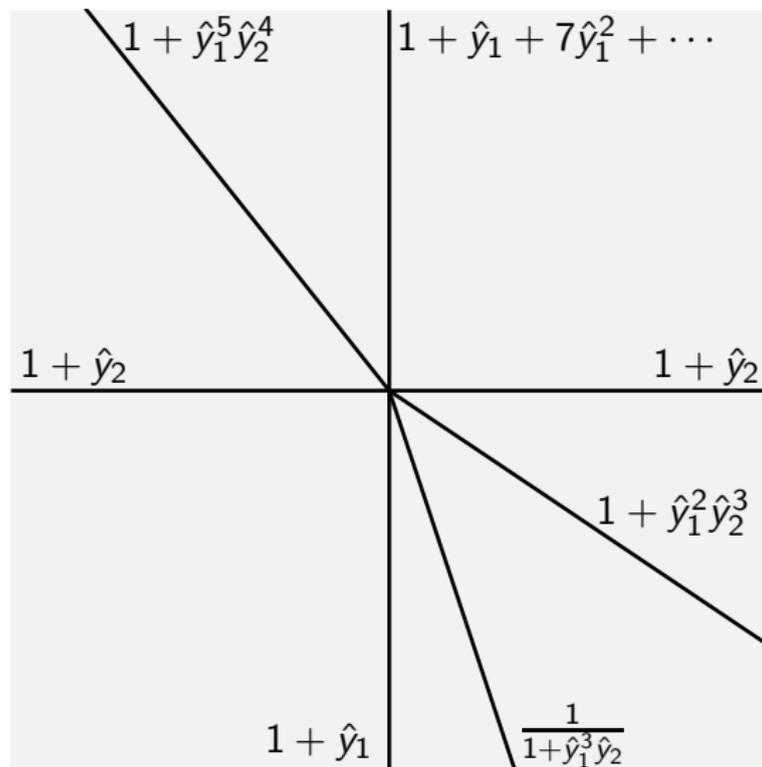
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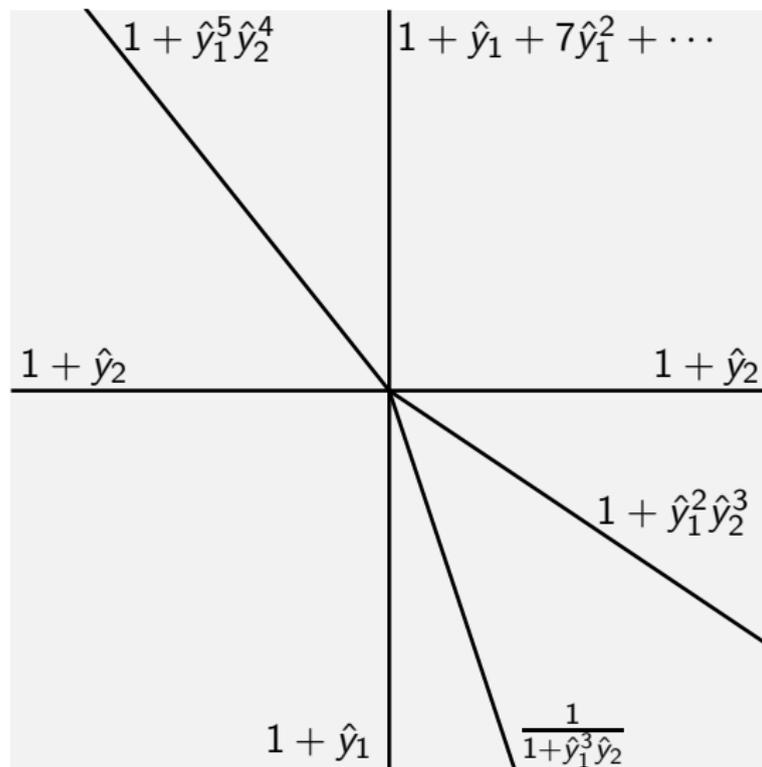
- B is an $n \times n$ skew-symmetric integer “exchange matrix”
- V real vector space, basis $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$
- V^* its dual space, basis ρ_1, \dots, ρ_n , dual to α
- $\lambda = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \rho_i \leftrightarrow x^\lambda = x_1^{c_1} \cdots x_n^{c_n}$
- $\beta = \sum_{i=1}^n d_i \alpha_i \leftrightarrow \hat{y}^\beta = \hat{y}_1^{d_1} \cdots \hat{y}_n^{d_n}$

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- The scattering term is a univariate **FPS** in \hat{y}^β with constant term 1.
- A finiteness condition

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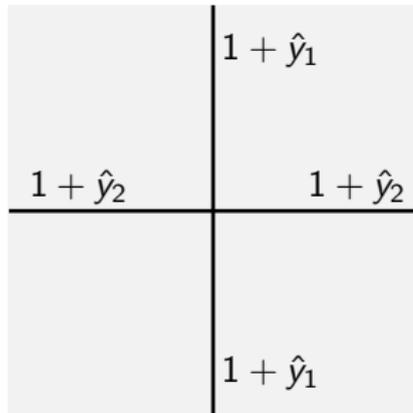
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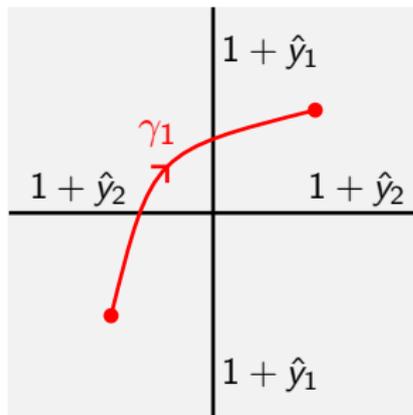
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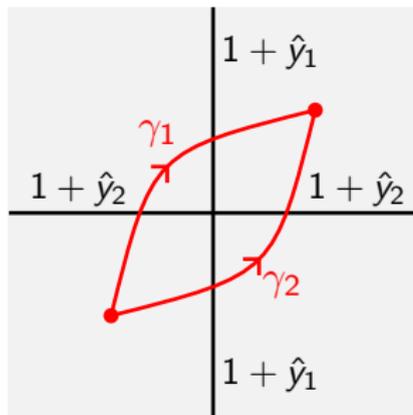
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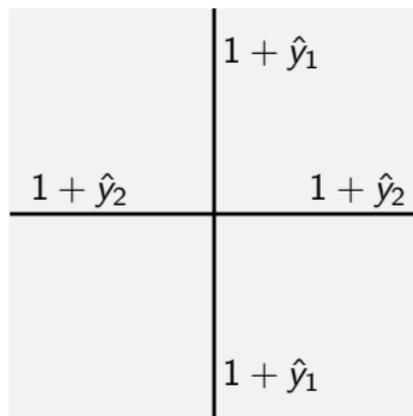
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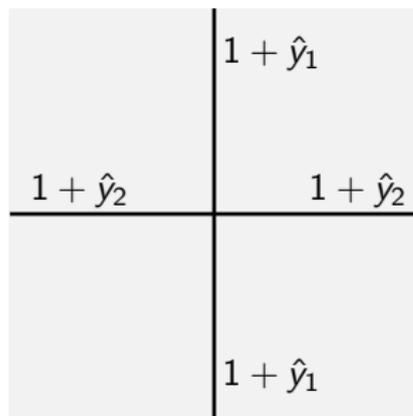


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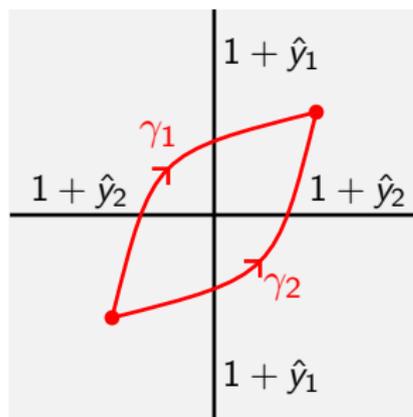
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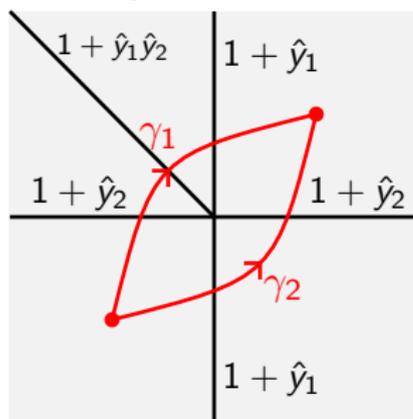
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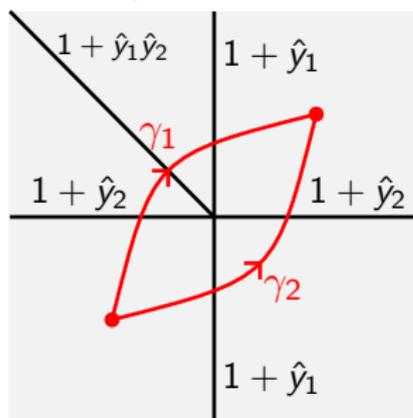
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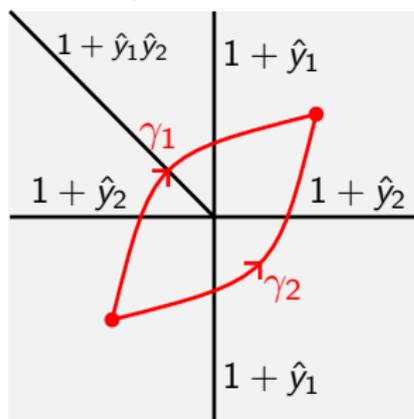
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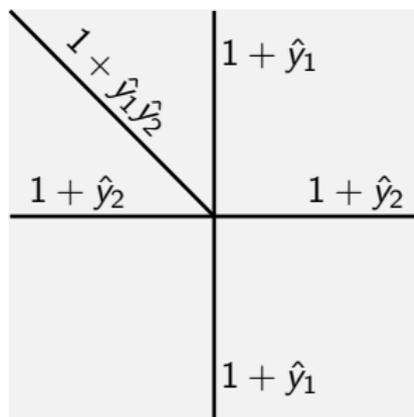
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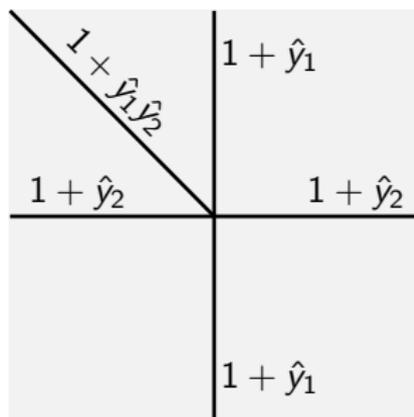
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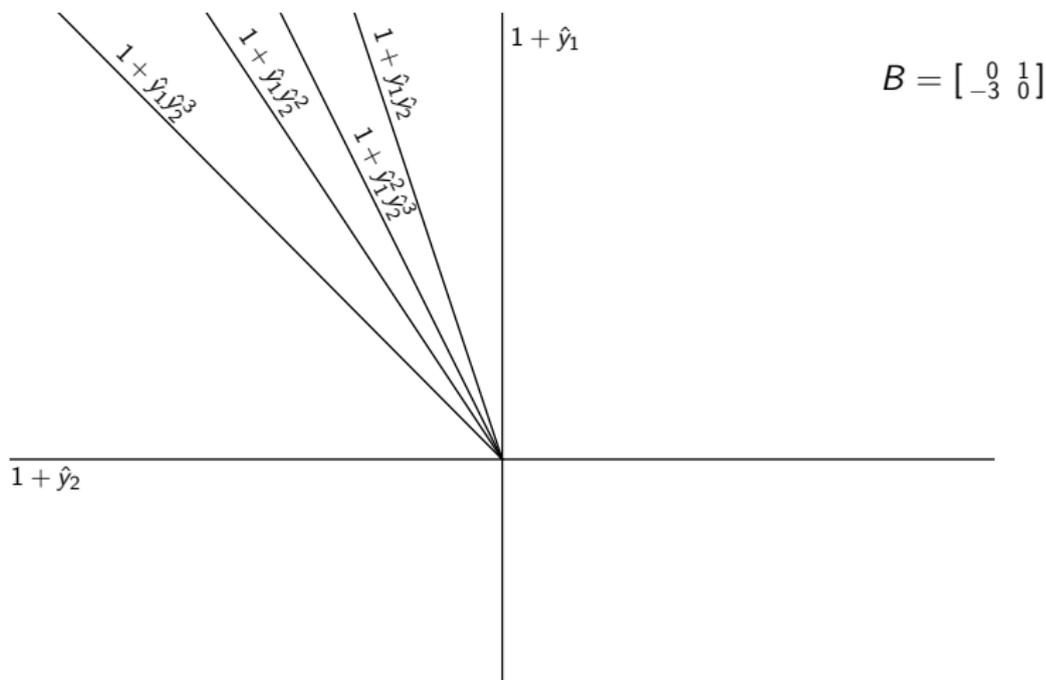
Cluster scattering fans

(Vaguely Stated) Theorem (R., 2017). A consistent scattering diagram cuts space into a complete (not necessarily finite) fan.

Cluster scattering fan: The complete fan cut out by the cluster scattering diagram.

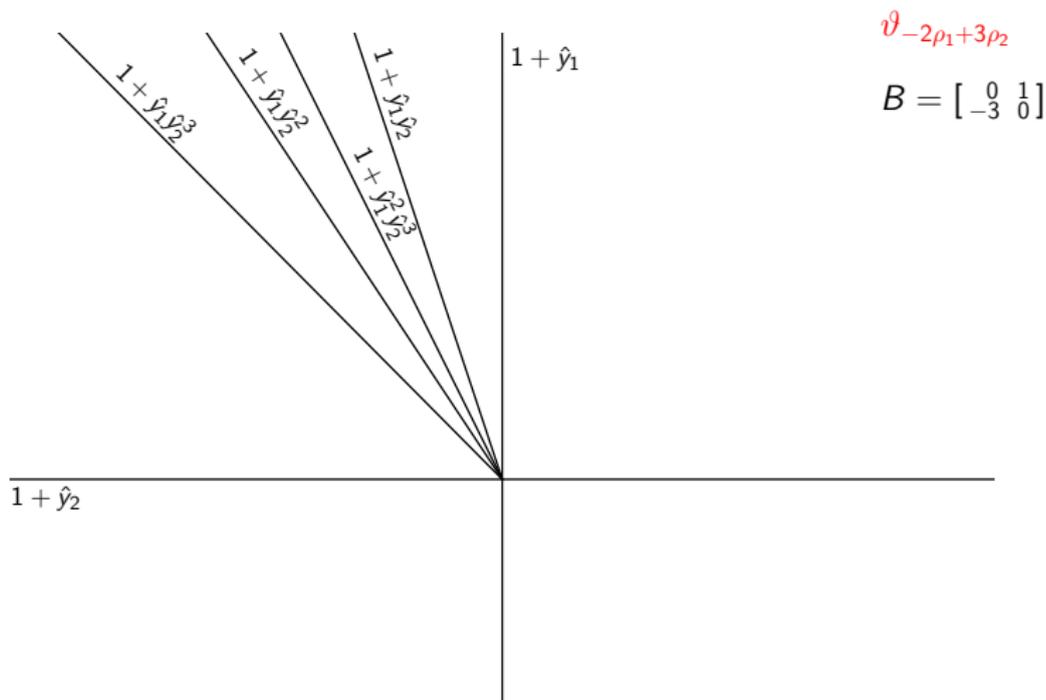
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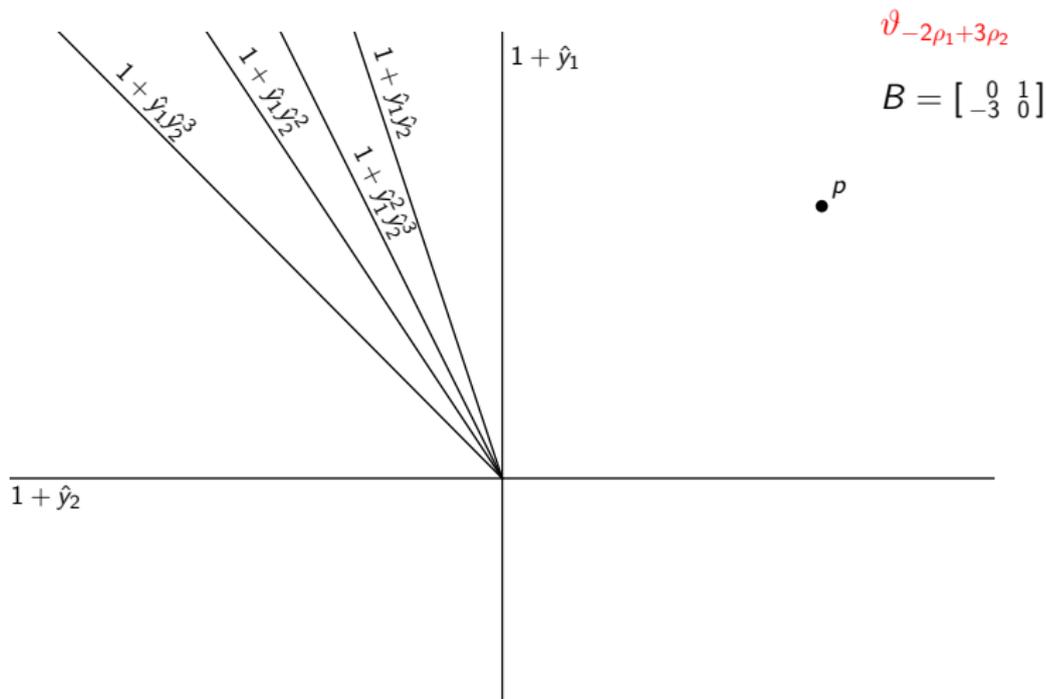
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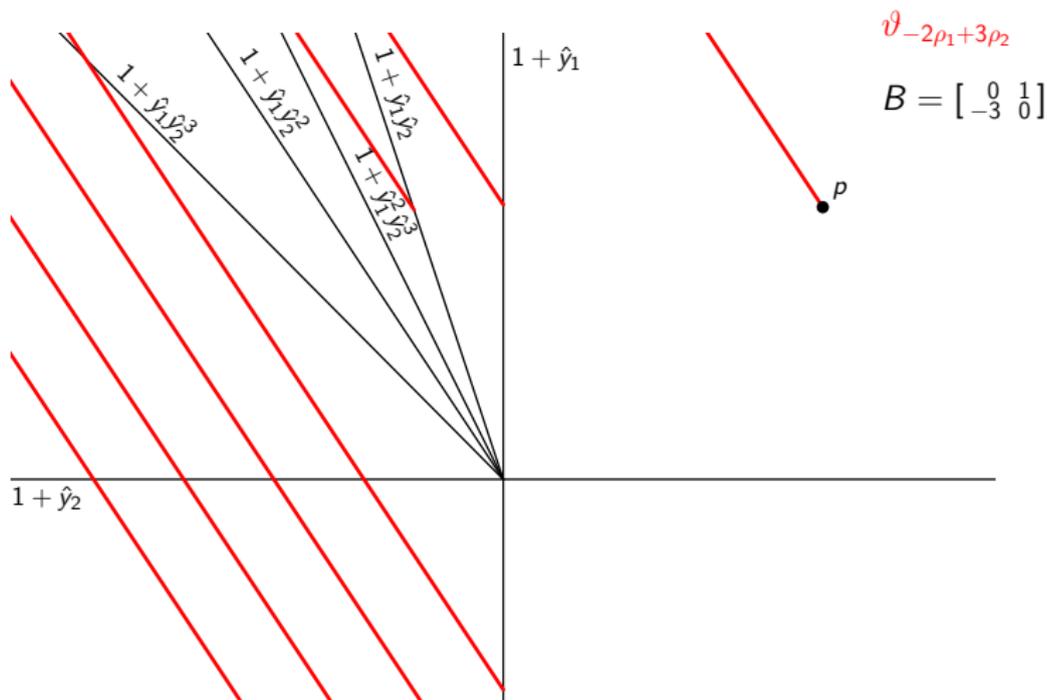
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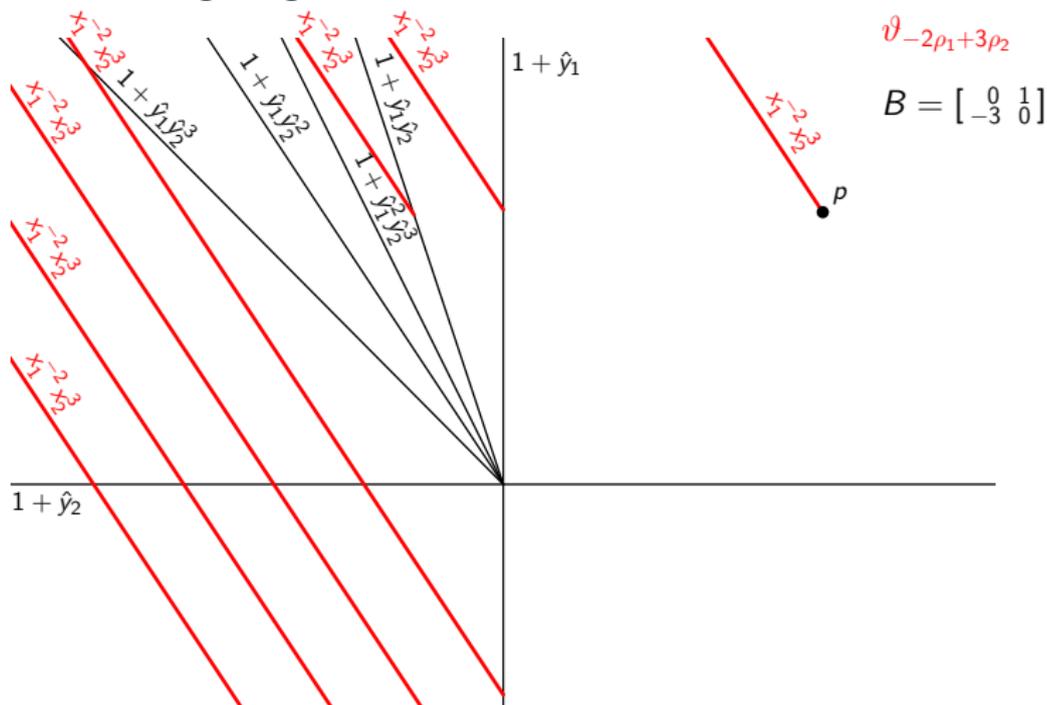
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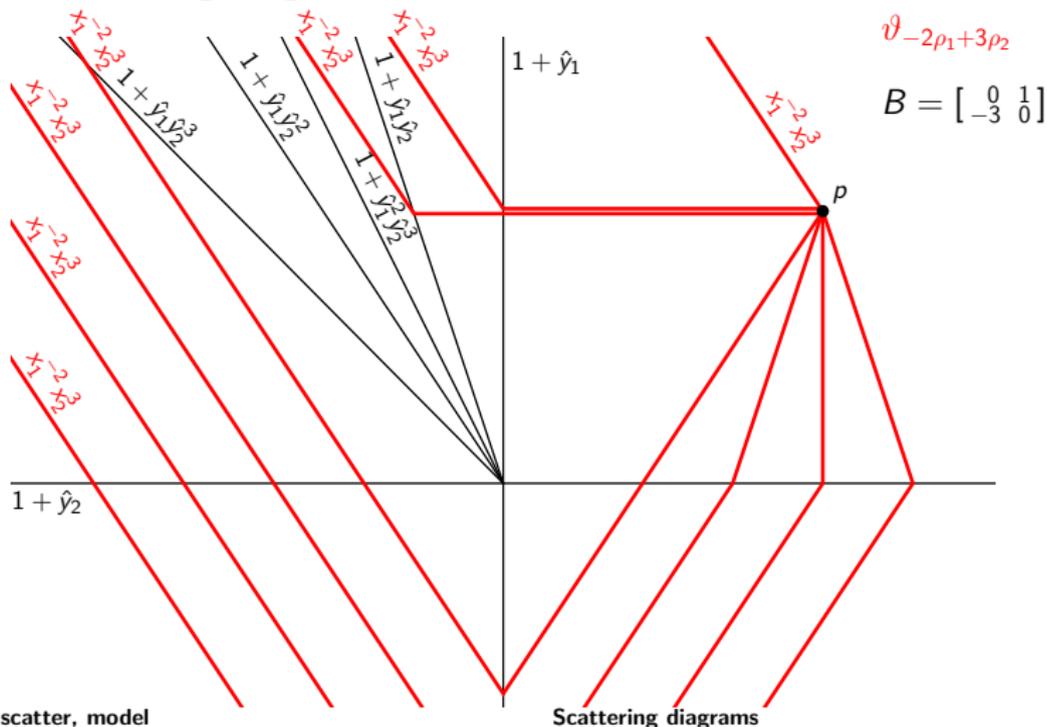
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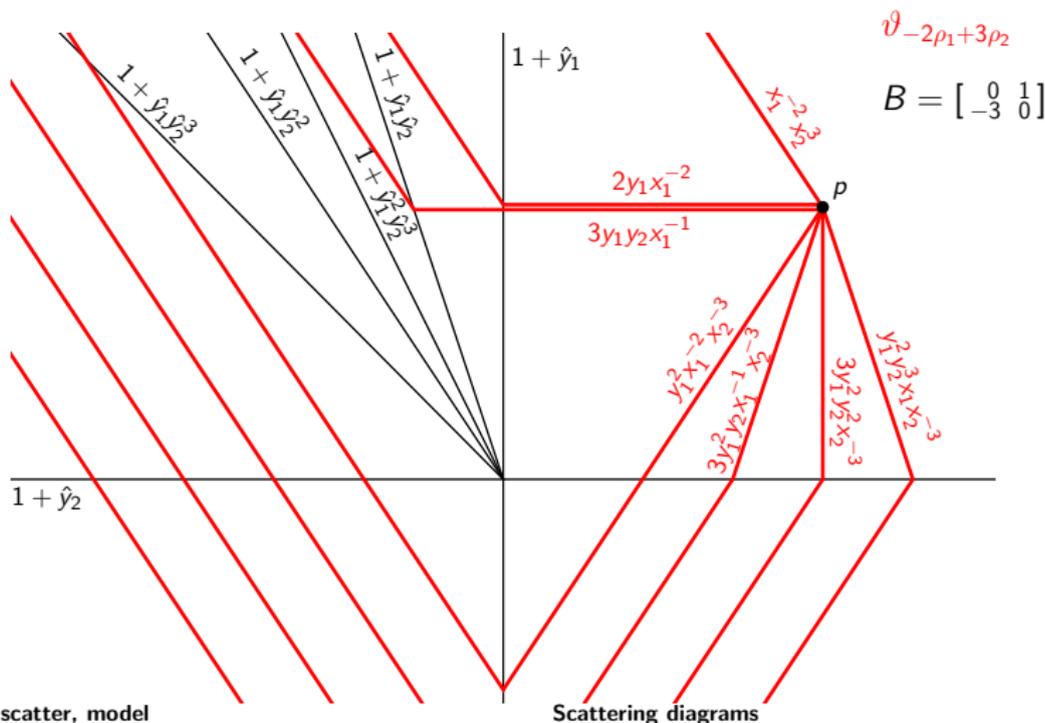
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Recap of Section 1: Scattering diagrams

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- \mathfrak{d} is a codimension-1 cone.
- β is a positive integer normal vector.
- $f_{\mathfrak{d}}$ is the **scattering term**, a formal power series in \hat{y}^{β} .

Path-ordered product: at each wall crossing, replaces each monomial by itself times a power of the scattering term $f_{\mathfrak{d}}$.

Consistent scattering diagram: path-ordered products depend only on endpoints.

Cluster scattering diagram: Start with coordinate hyperplanes. $\exists!$ way to add “outgoing” walls to get a consistent scattering diagram.

Theta functions: ϑ_{λ} for each rational λ . Sum over “broken lines”.

Questions?

Section 2: Cluster algebras

Start with an **initial seed** consisting of **initial cluster variables** x_1, \dots, x_n and a skew-symmetric integer matrix B .

Mutation: an operation that takes a seed and gives a new seed.

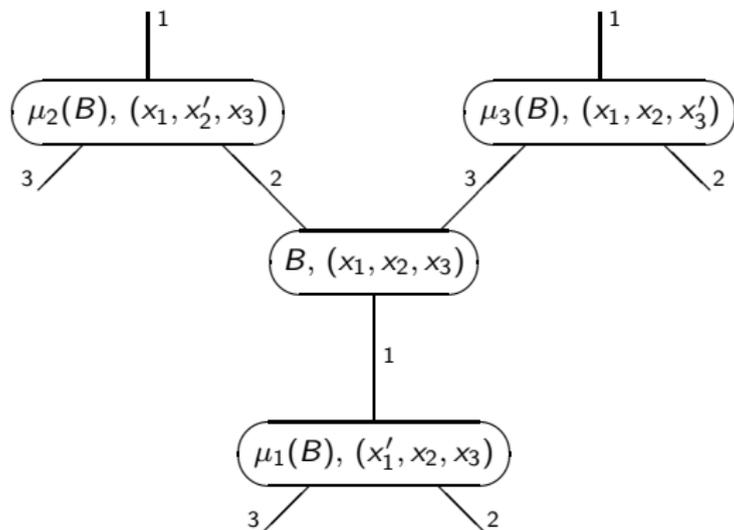
- There are n “directions” for mutation.
- Mutation does two things:
 - switches out one cluster variable, replaces it with a new one;
 - changes B (and some extra rows) by **matrix mutation**.

The result is a new seed.

- Mutation is involutive.

Cluster algebras (continued)

Do all possible sequences of mutations, and collect **all** the cluster variables which appear.



The **cluster algebra** for the given initial seed is the subalgebra of \mathcal{F} generated by all cluster variables.

Mutation details

Write $[a]_+$ for $\max(a, 0)$.

$B' = \mu_k(B)$ is:

$$b'_{ij} = \begin{cases} -b_{ij} & \text{if } k \in \{i, j\}; \\ b_{ij} + \operatorname{sgn}(b_{kj})[b_{ik} b_{kj}]_+ & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We want **principal coefficients**, meaning we actually work with $\begin{bmatrix} B \\ I \end{bmatrix}$ but we only mutate in directions $1, \dots, n$.

Mutating (x_1, \dots, x_n) in direction k means keeping x_i for $i \neq k$ and replacing x_k by x'_k according to the **exchange relations**

$$x_k x'_k = \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{[b_{ik}]_+} y_i^{[b_{(n+i)k}]_+} + \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{[-b_{ik}]_+} y_i^{[-b_{(n+i)k}]_+}.$$

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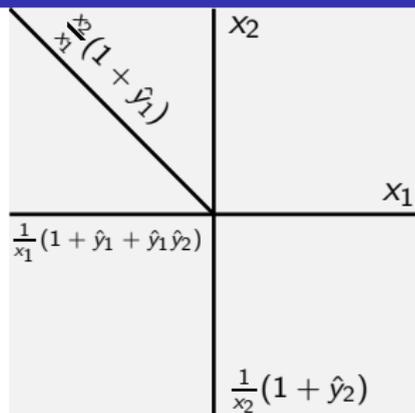
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Cluster algebras and scattering diagrams (Principal coefficients)

Theorem (Fomin-Zelevinsky, 2007). Each cluster variable v is a Laurent monomial $x^{\mathbf{g}(v)}$ times a polynomial in the \hat{y}_i .
(The vector $\mathbf{g}(v)$ is the **g-vector** of v .)



Theorem (GHKK, 2014). Part of the cluster scattering diagram cuts out the **cluster fan**, whose rays are spanned by the **g-vectors** of cluster variables and whose cones are spanned by the **g-vectors** of clusters.

Cluster monomial: monomial in the clus. variables in some cluster.
 \exists cluster monomial for every rational point in the cluster fan.

Theorem (GHKK, 2014). Any cluster **monomial** v is $\vartheta_{\mathbf{g}(v)}$.

Theorem (morally GHKK, 2014, but R. had fun noticing it, 2017). Let v be a cluster **monomial**, let γ be a path from “near” $\mathbf{g}(v)$ to the positive cone. Then $v = \mathbf{p}_{\gamma}(x^{\mathbf{g}(v)})$ (path-ordered product).

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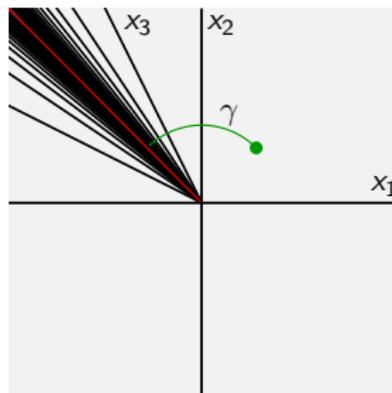
$$\text{ret}_\lambda = x_1^{-1} x_2 \cdot \mathcal{N}(\hat{y}_1, \hat{y}_2).$$

Number the cluster variables x_1, x_2, \dots clockwise from the initial cluster.

Each x_i is $x^{\mathbf{g}(x_i)} \cdot F_i$, for some polynomial F_i in the \hat{y} .

Theorem (R., 2017)

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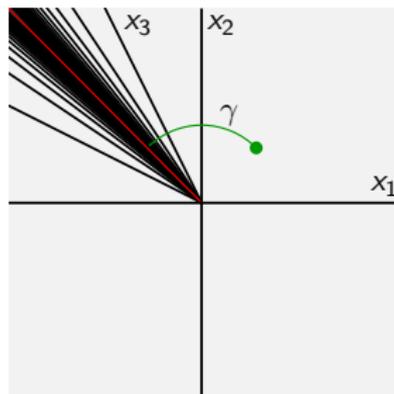
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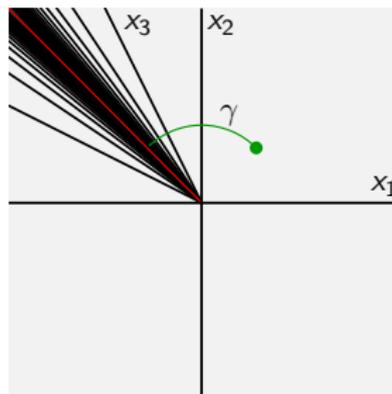
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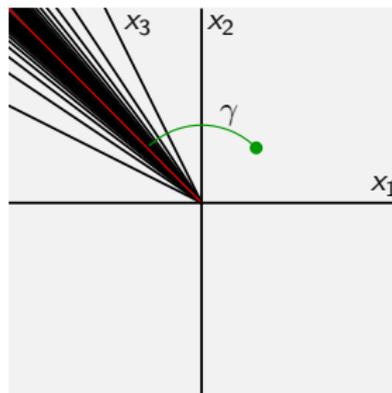
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Aside: Scattering amplitudes

Empirically measurable probability density in n -space. In principle, computed/approximated as a sum/integral over Feynman diagrams. In practice, computations are forbiddingly complex.

Amplitudes can be encoded compactly as sums of tensor products of certain “symbols” (certain functions of x_1, \dots, x_n).

Current hot idea: Can we skip Feynman diagrams and directly find symbols and how symbols combine as tensor products? We need a **a machine that makes functions**.

In some cases, “symbols” are cluster variables and compatibility describes which symbols appear together in tensor products.

In more complicated cases, there are **irrational symbols**, related to theta functions and return functions. Compute these? Use the **cluster scattering fan** to describe which symbols appear together?

Upshot: This is another reason to want **combinatorial models**.

Recap of Section 2: Cluster algebras

Cluster algebras: A multi-directional recurrence produces “clusters” of cluster variables, which are rational functions in the x_i and y_i .

Cluster monomials: Monomials in the cluster variables in a cluster.

Each cluster monomial v is $x^{\mathbf{g}(v)}$ · (a polynomial in the \hat{y}_i).

The vector $\mathbf{g}(v)$ is the **g-vector** of v .

This fits into the **cluster scattering diagram** picture. Each v is:

- a return function $\text{ret}_{\mathbf{g}(v)}$.
- a theta function $\vartheta_{\mathbf{g}(v)}$.

ret_{λ} and ϑ_{λ} make sense even when λ is not the **g-vector** of a cluster monomial. But computing them takes work.

Questions?

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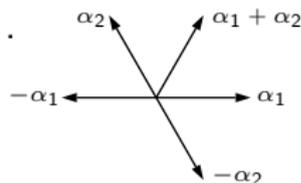
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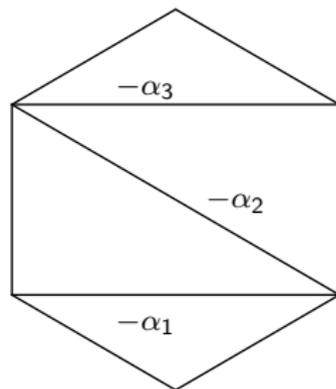
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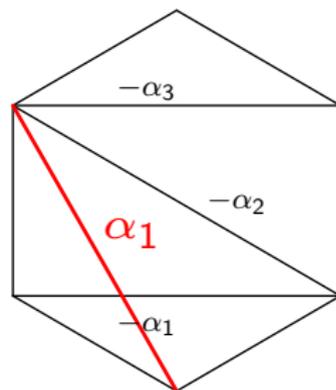
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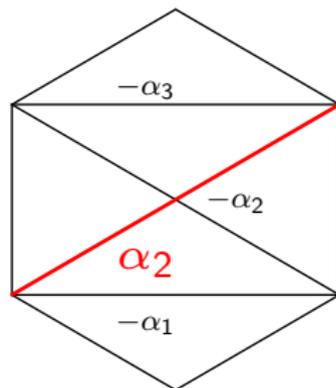
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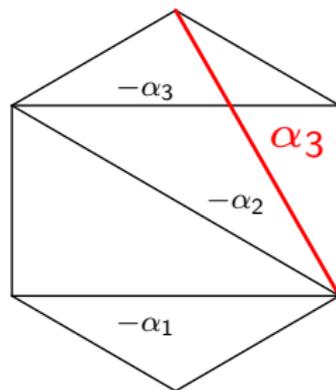
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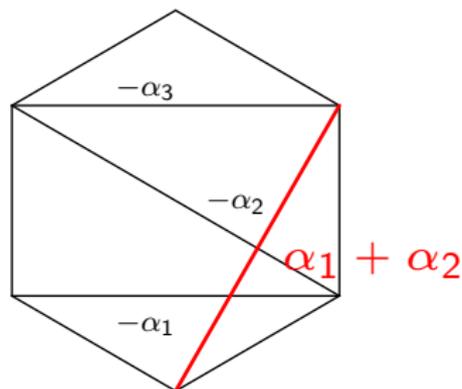
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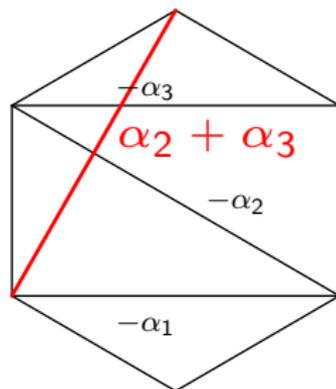
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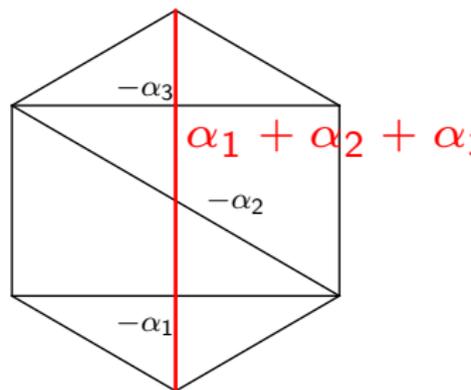
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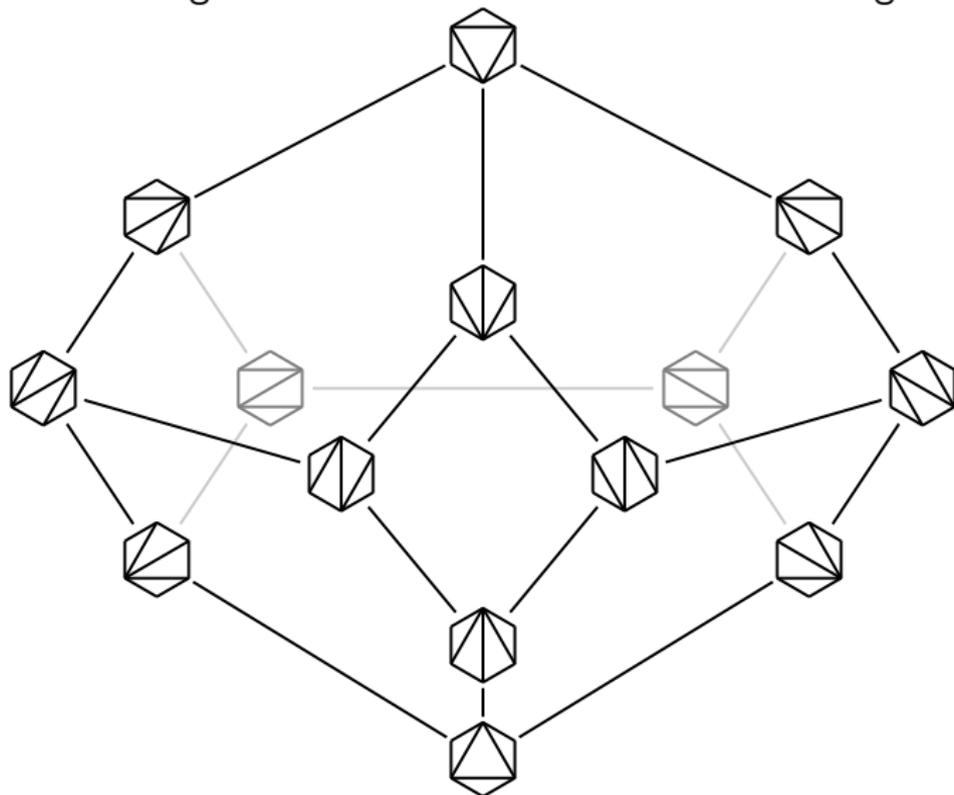
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Another approach to finite type (R., Speyer)

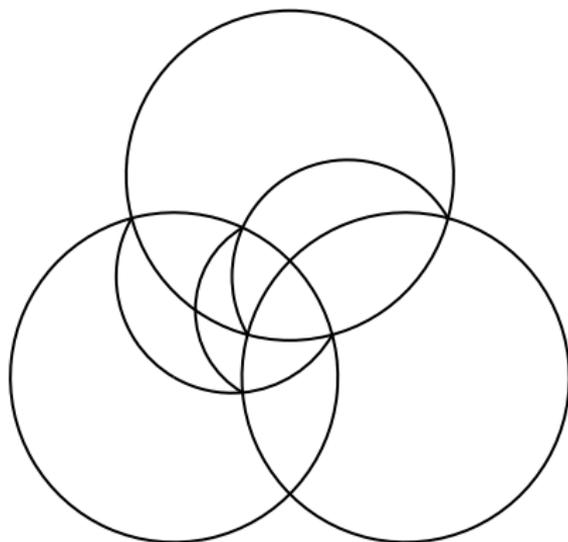
Exchange matrix $B \leftrightarrow$ Cartan matrix A and Coxeter element c .

Coxeter element: product of the simple reflections in some order.

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The cluster fan is the c -Cambrian fan, which is constructed using the combinatorics of reduced words for c -sortable elements in the Weyl group W .

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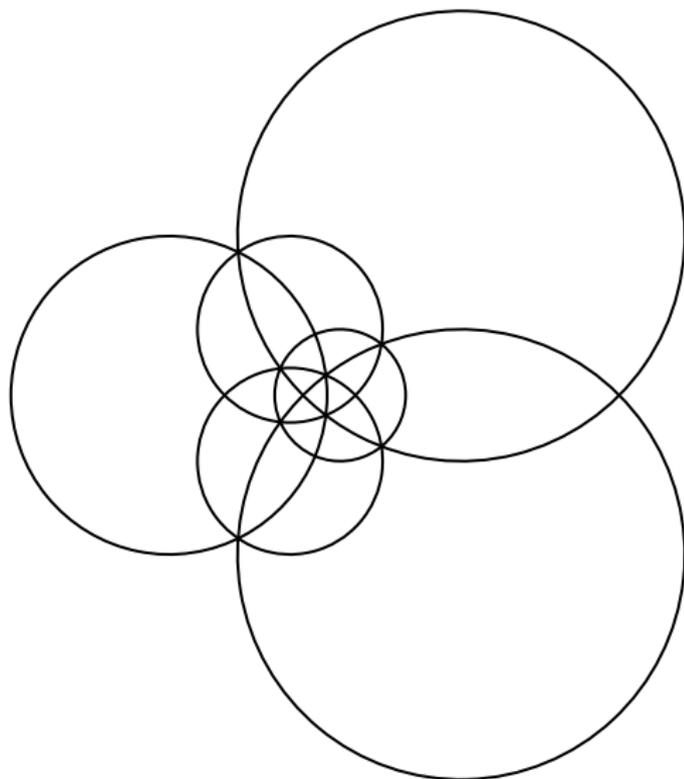
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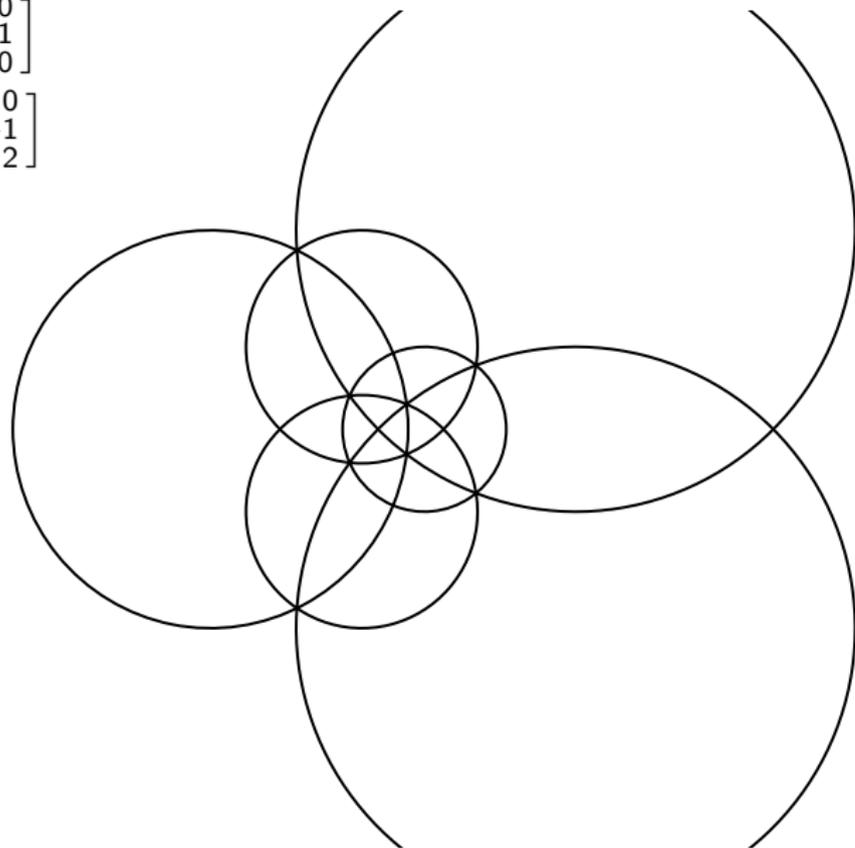
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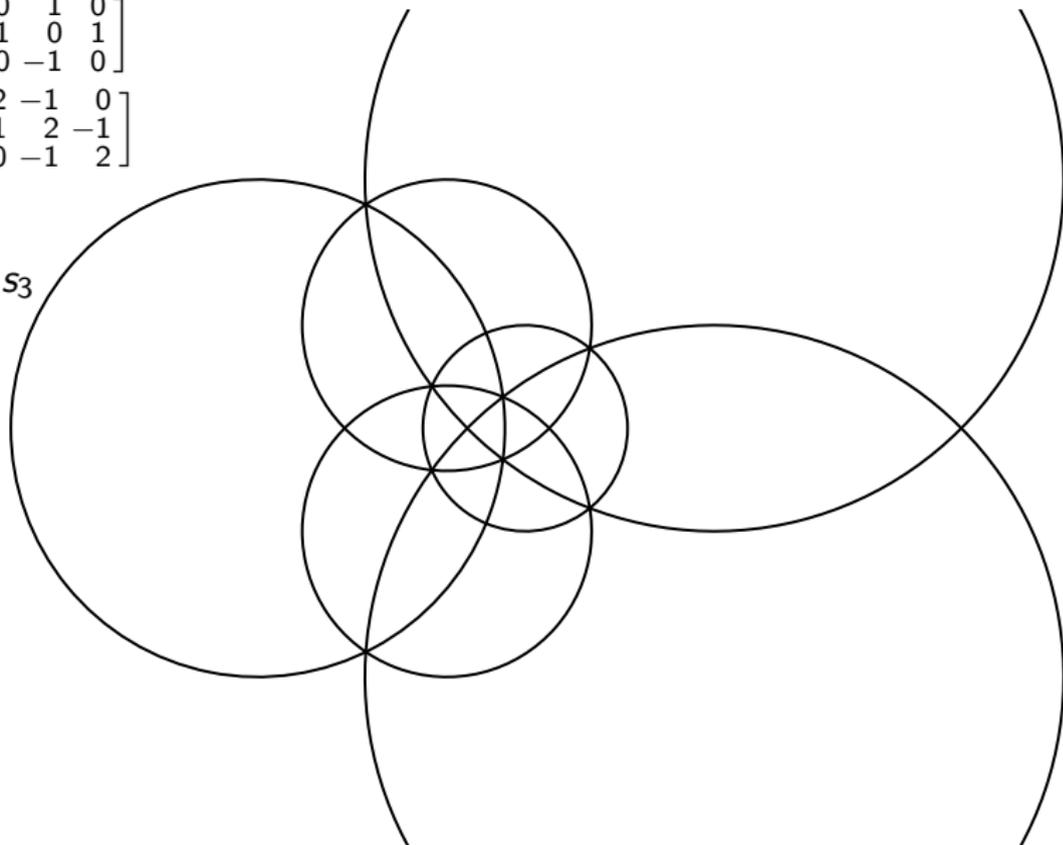
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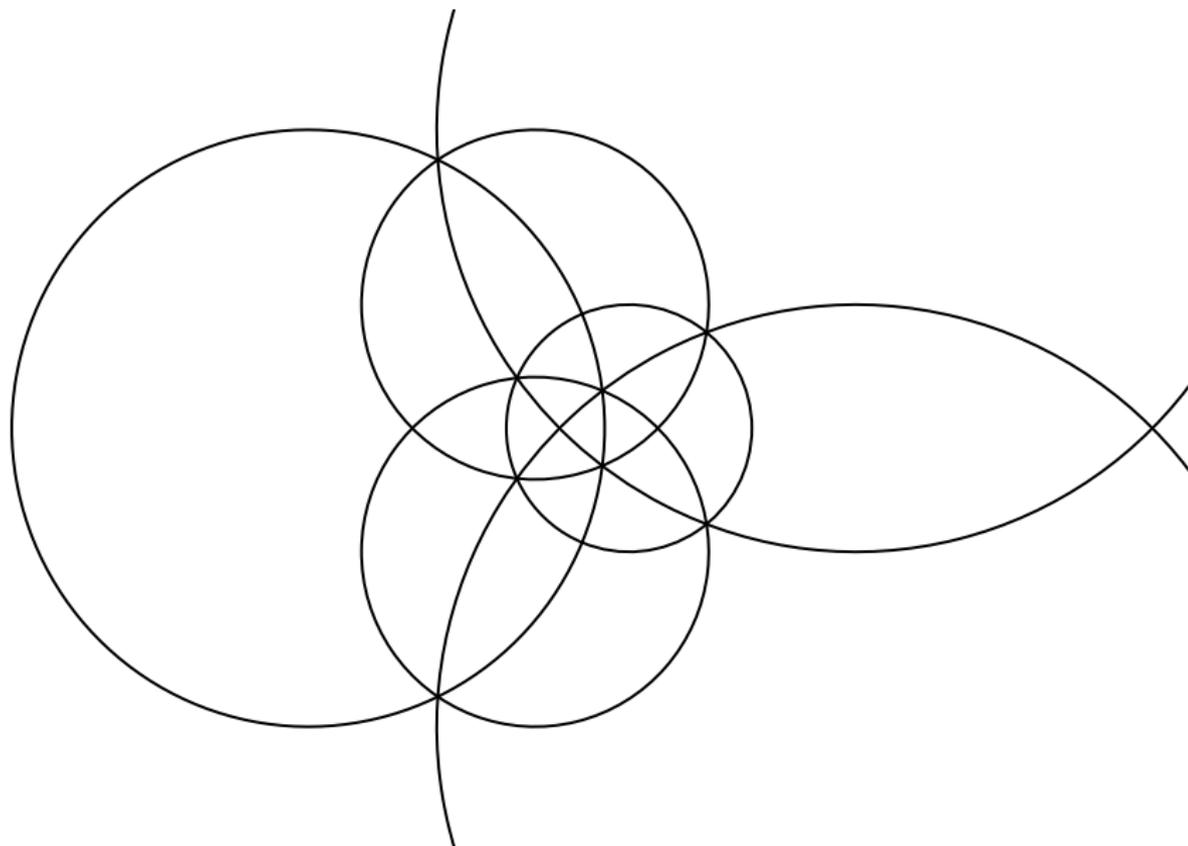
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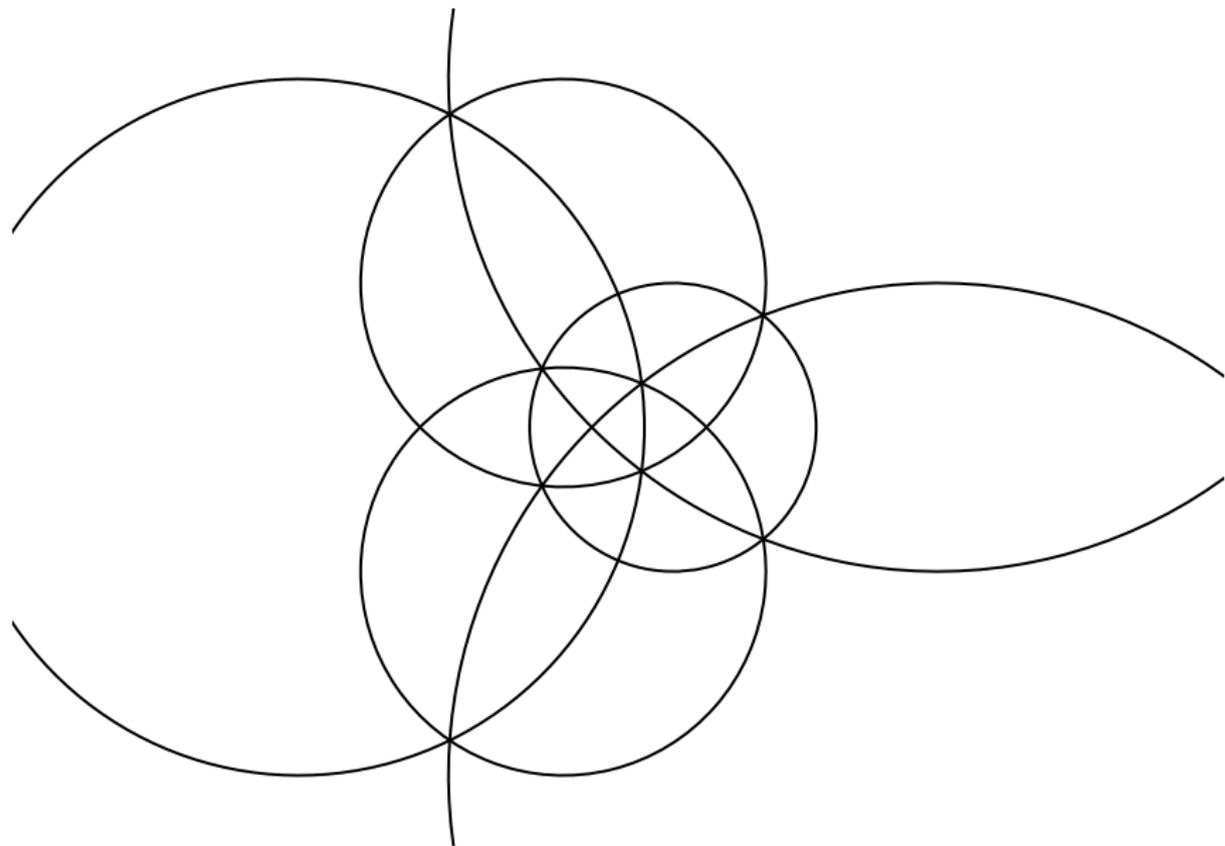
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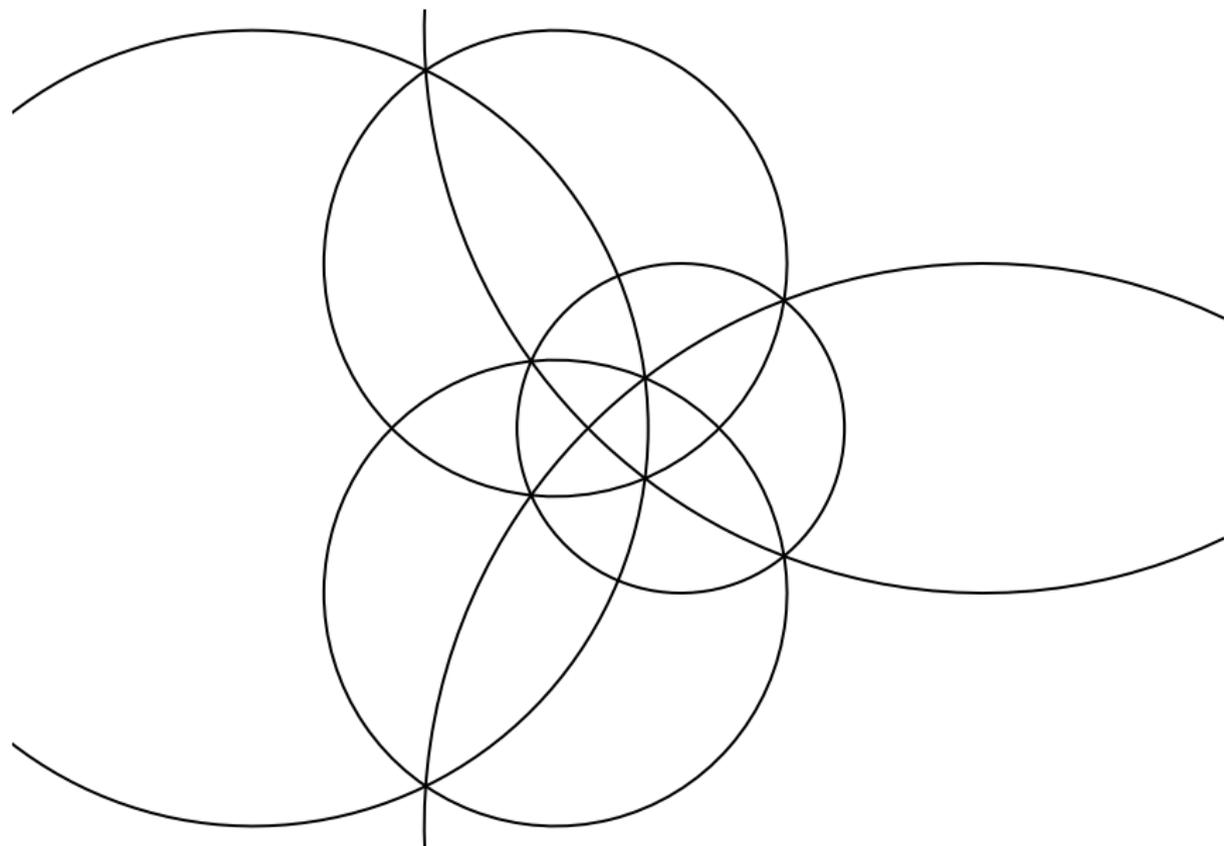
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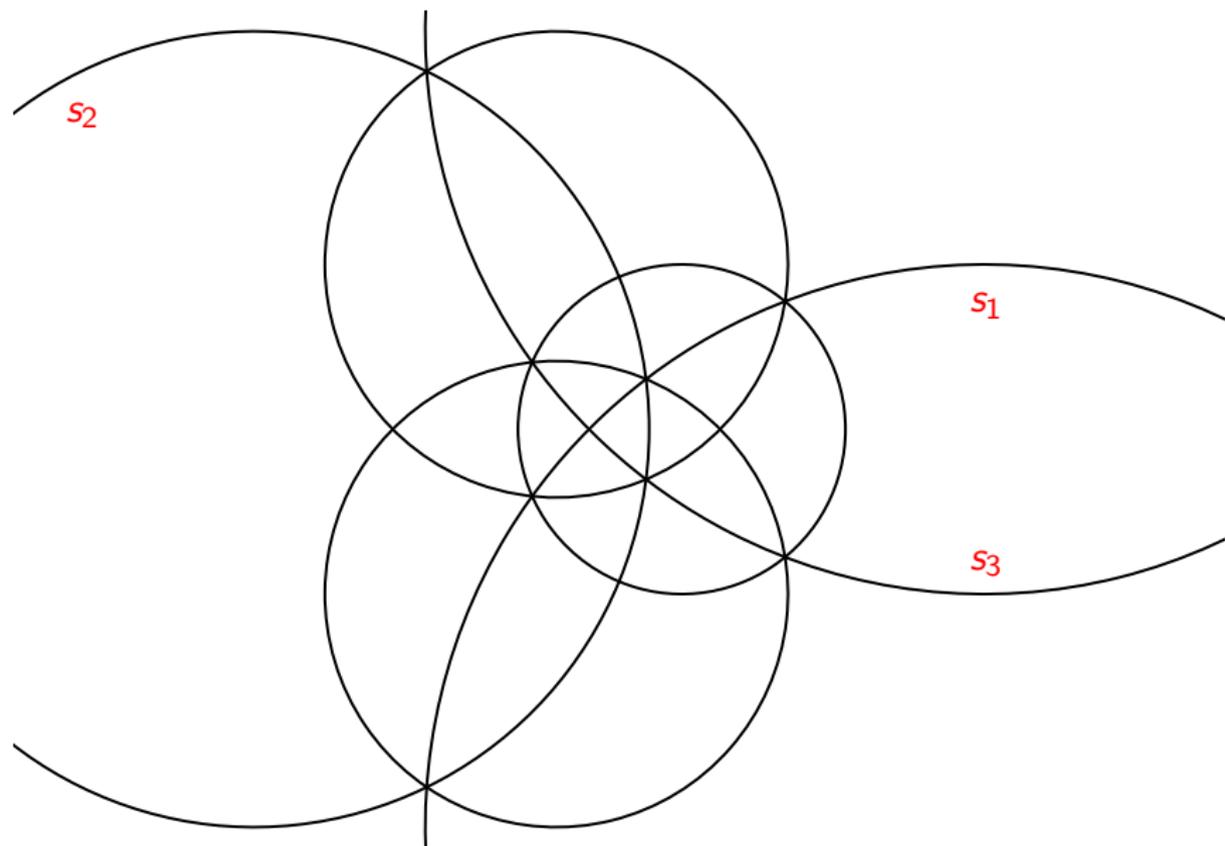
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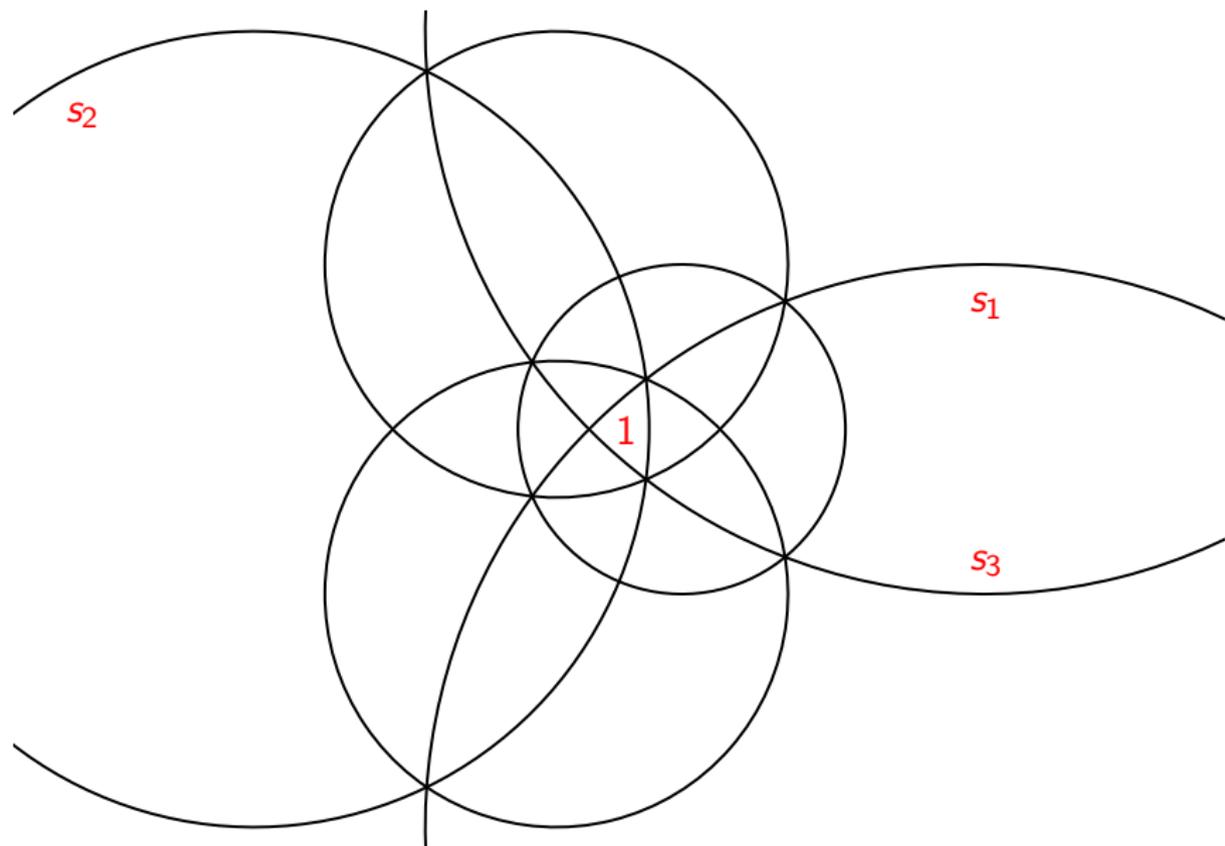
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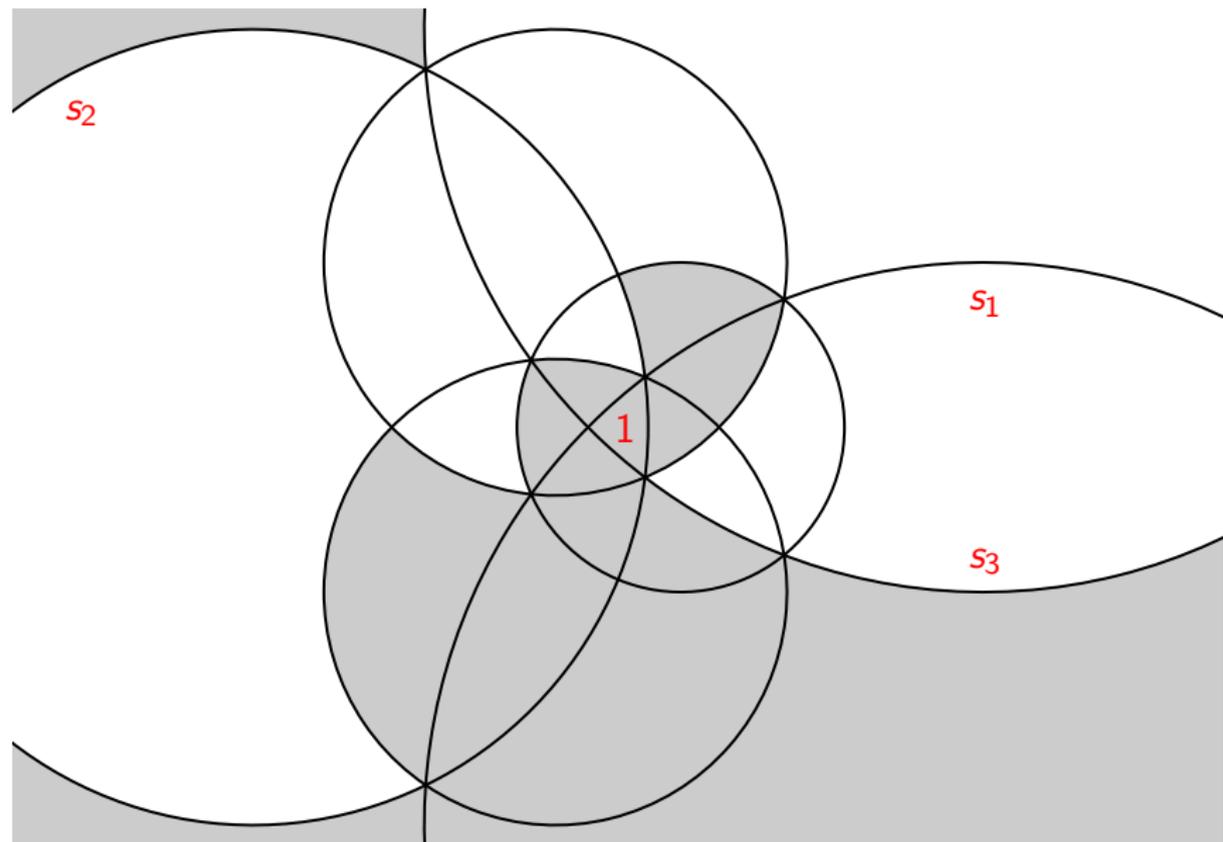
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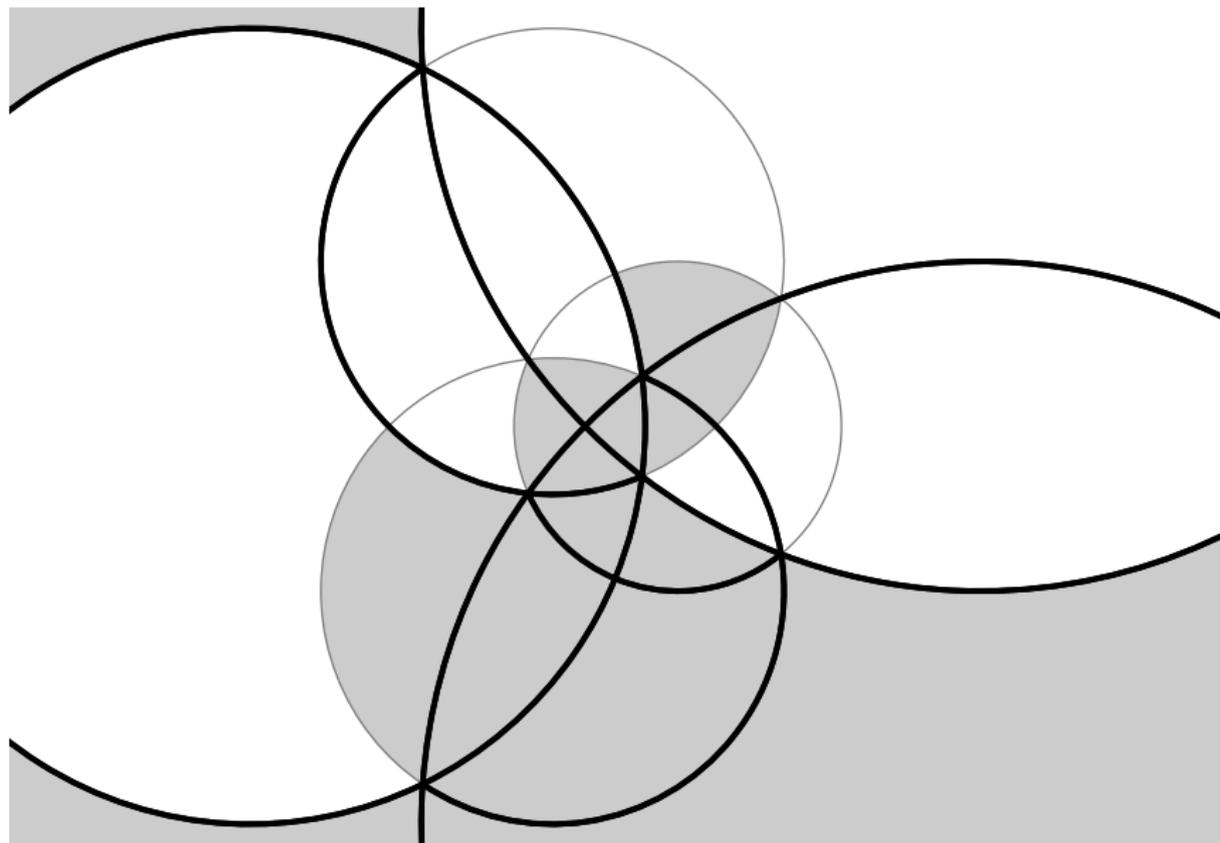
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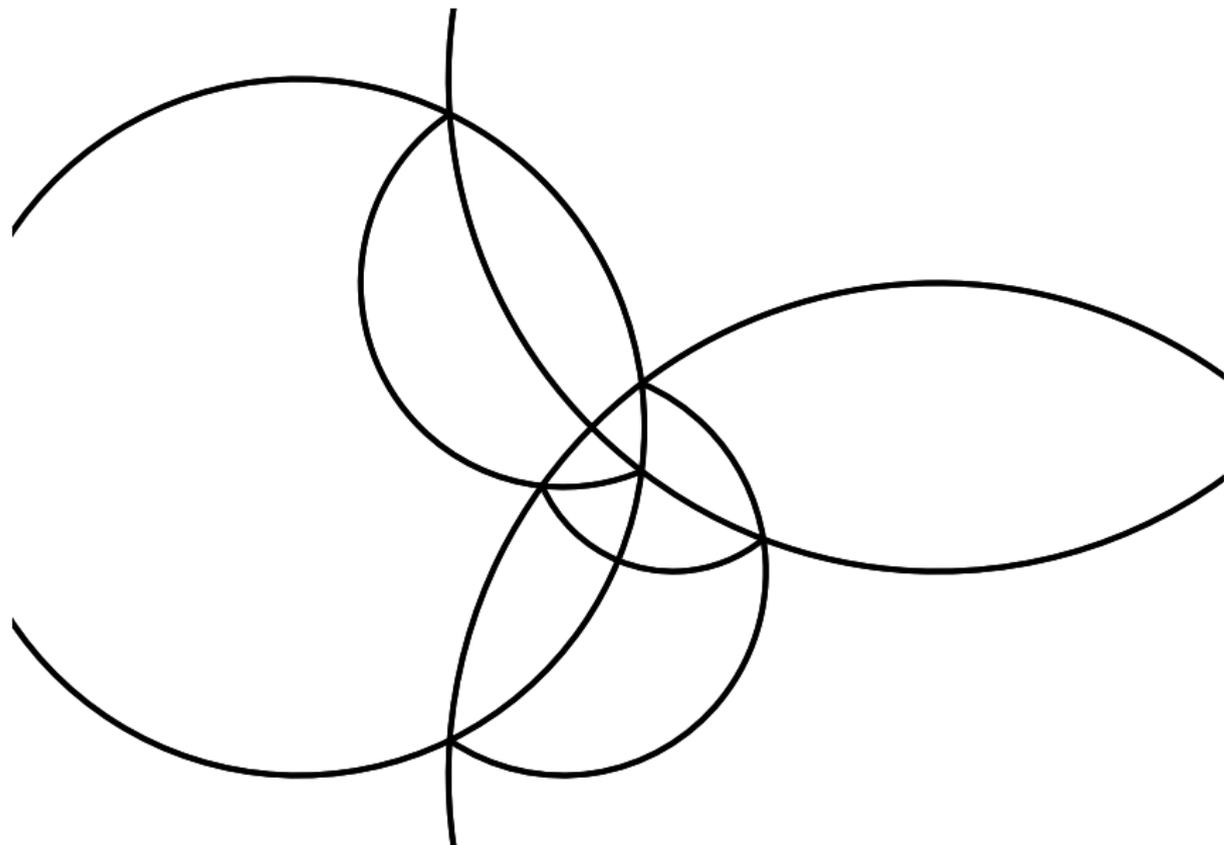
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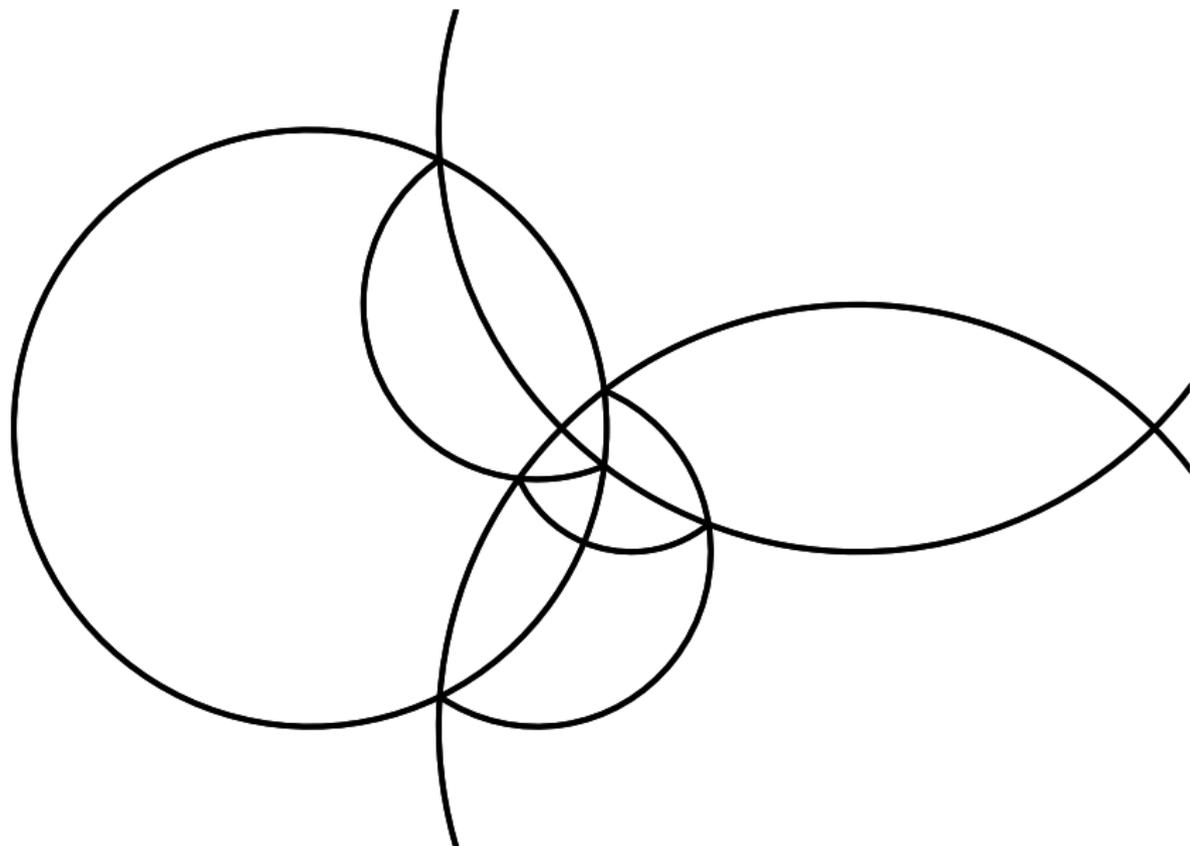
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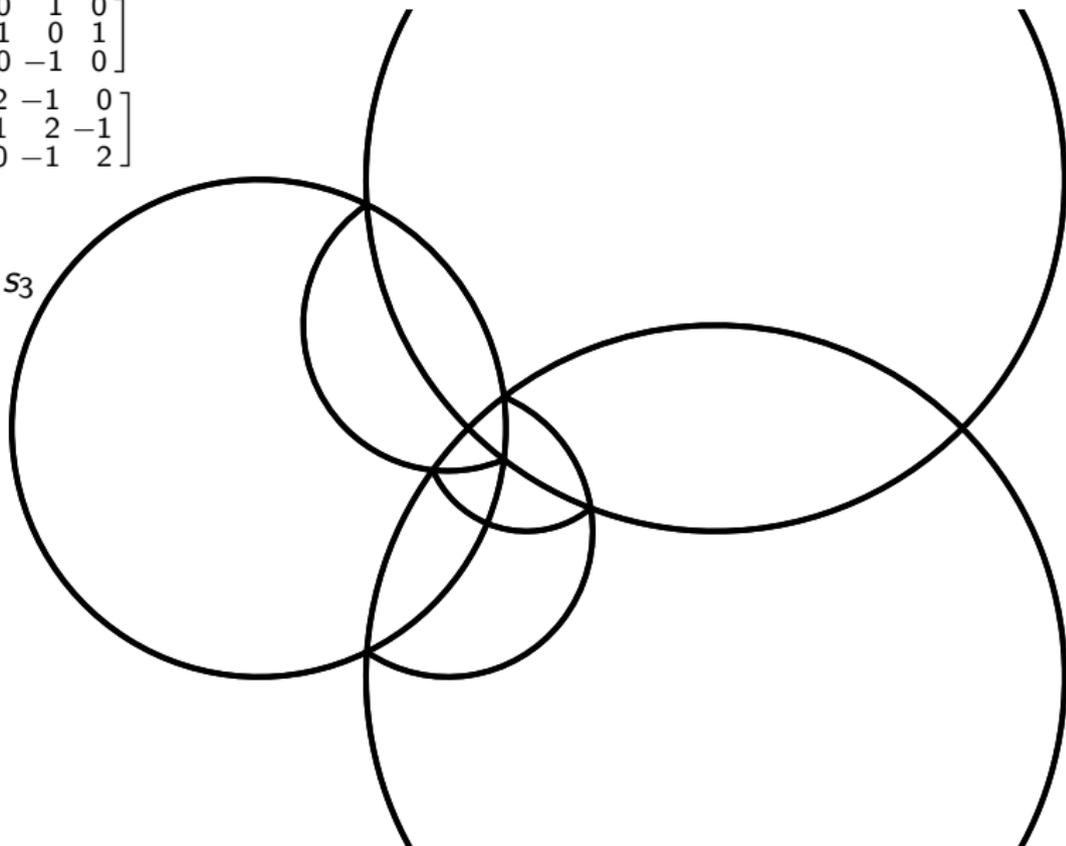
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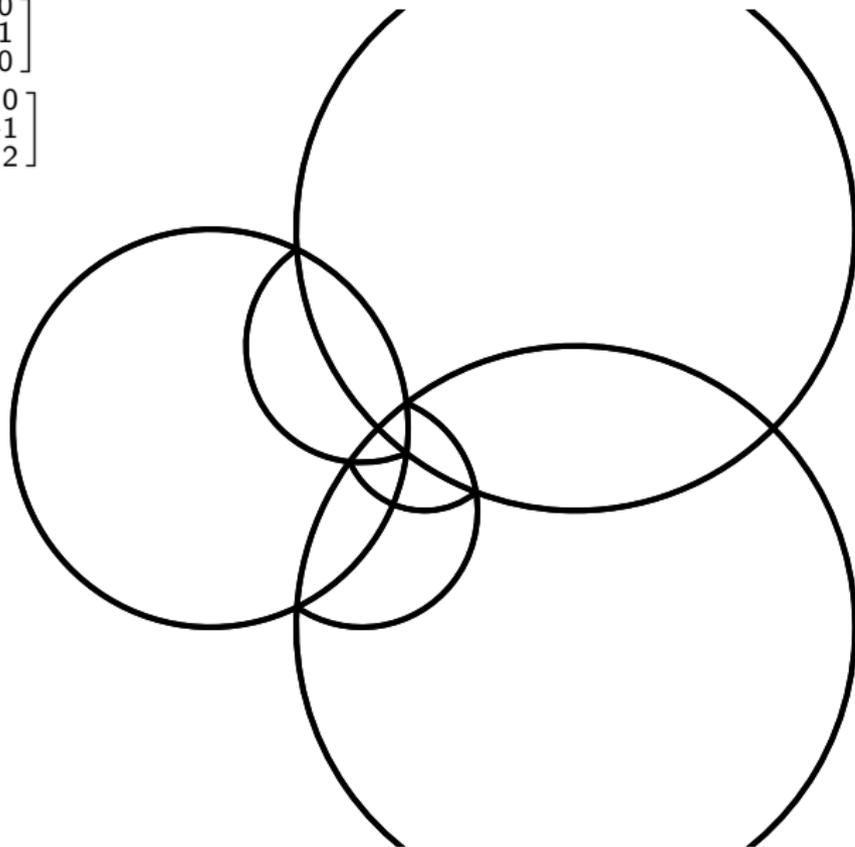
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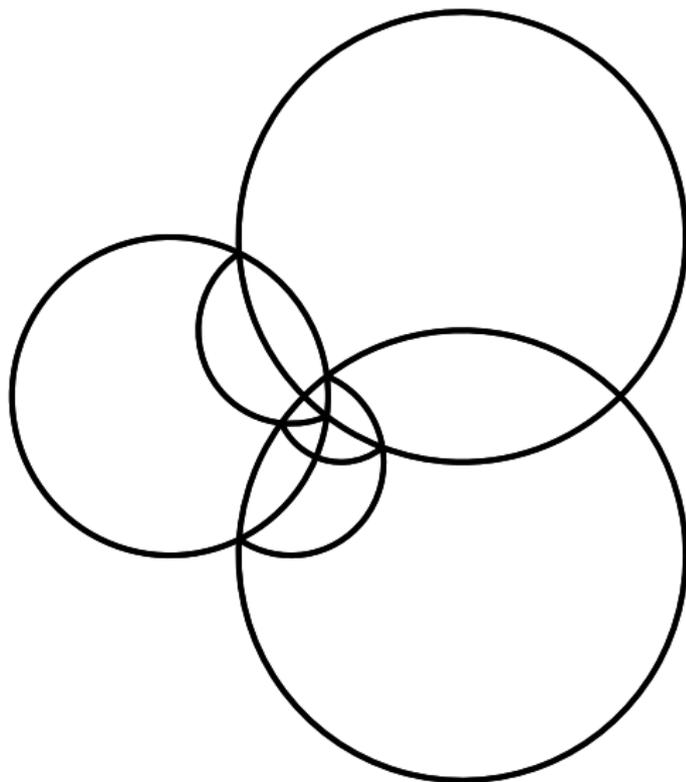
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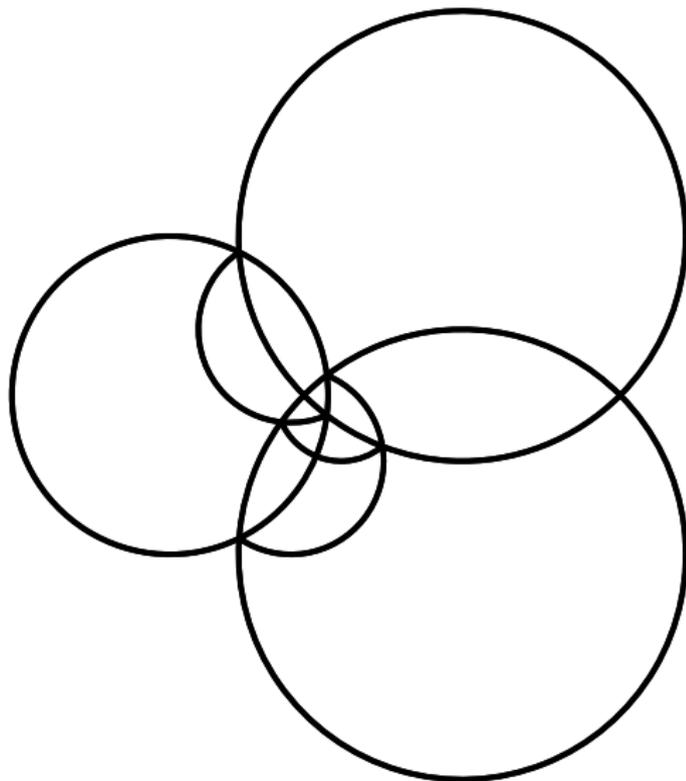
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We can model this completely using the

- Affine almost positive roots model (R.-Stella), and the
- Doubled Cambrian fan construction (R.-Speyer).

In particular, the models

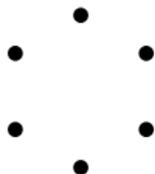
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- Construct all theta functions (with Stella, in progress), and
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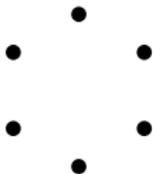
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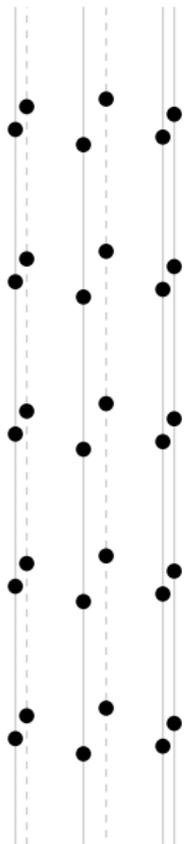


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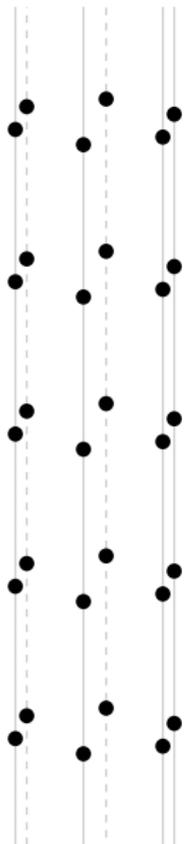


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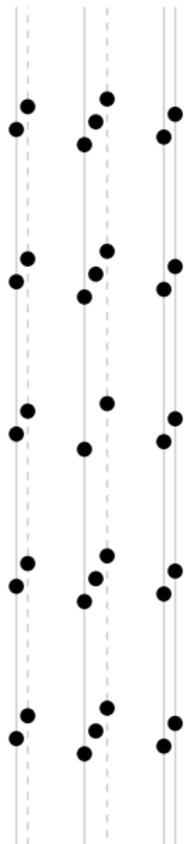
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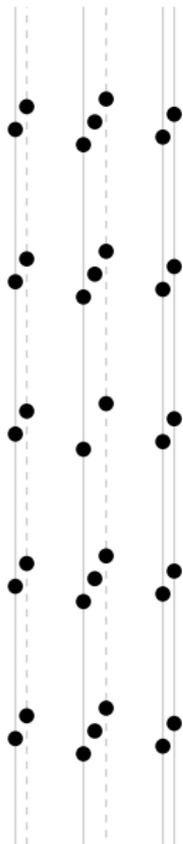
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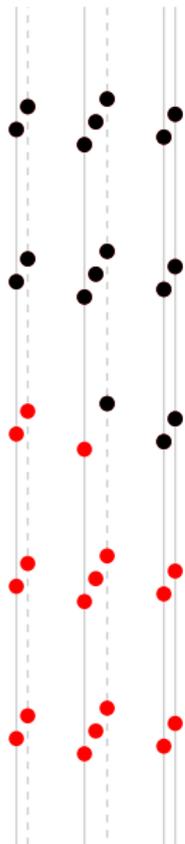
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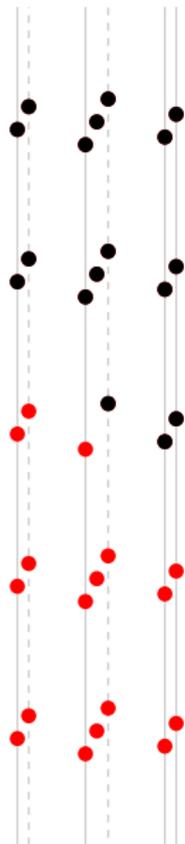
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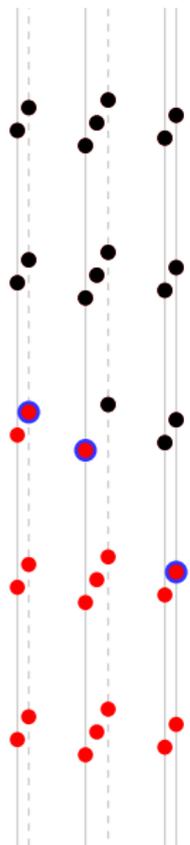
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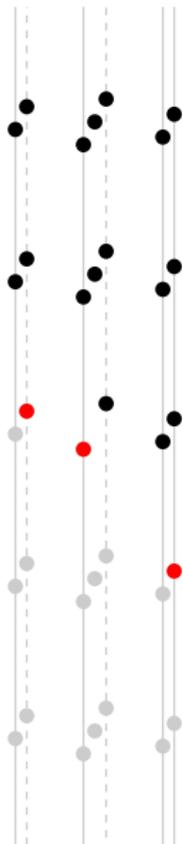
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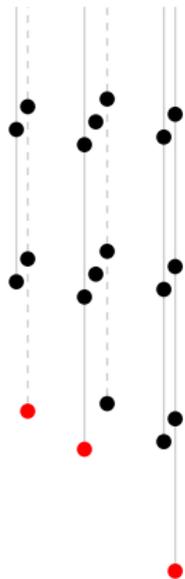
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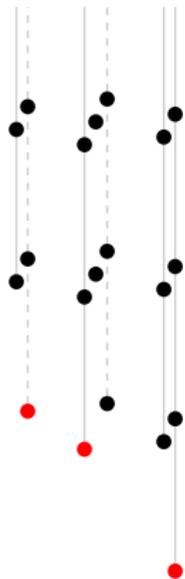
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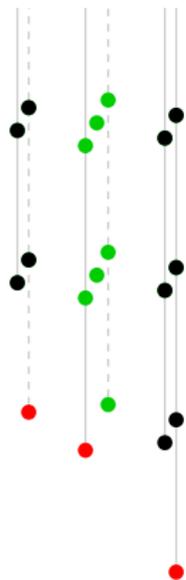
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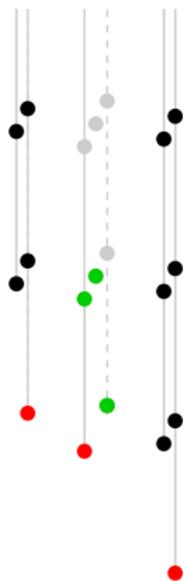
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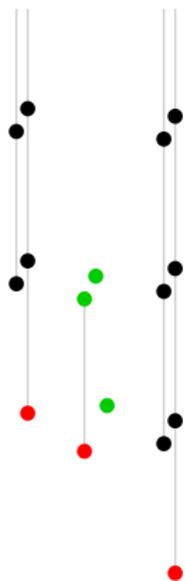
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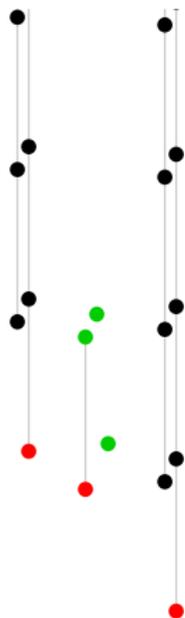
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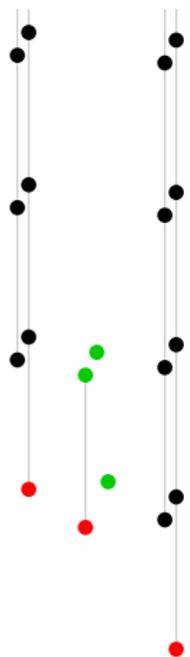
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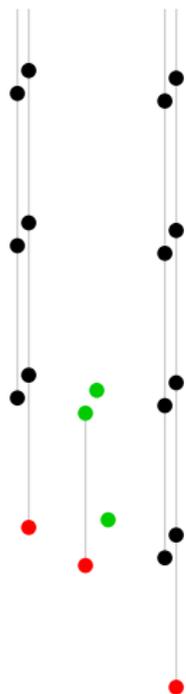
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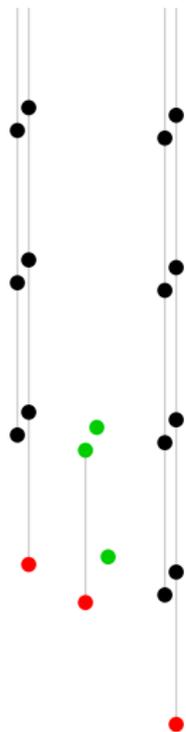
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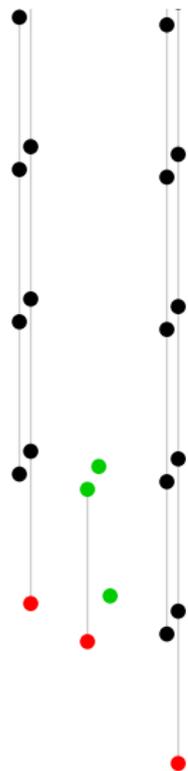
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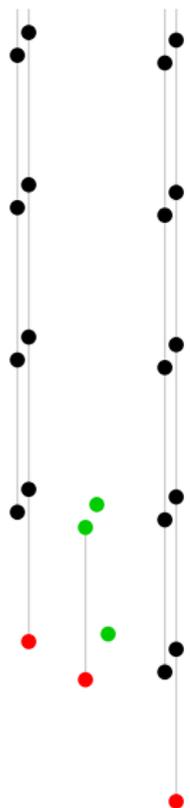
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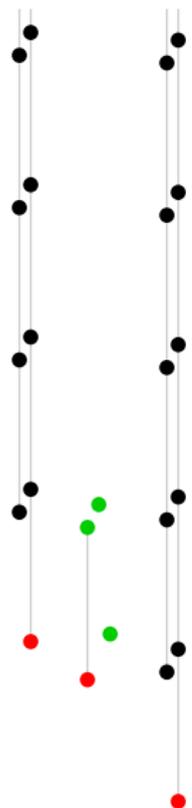
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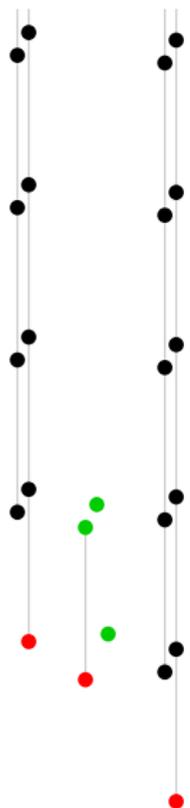
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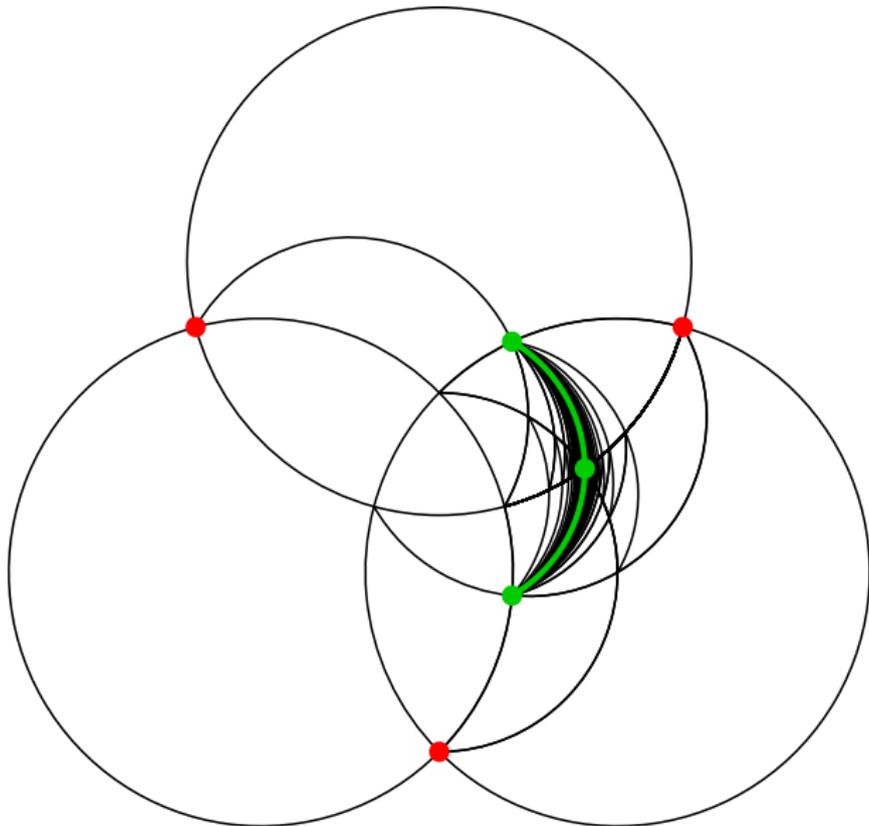
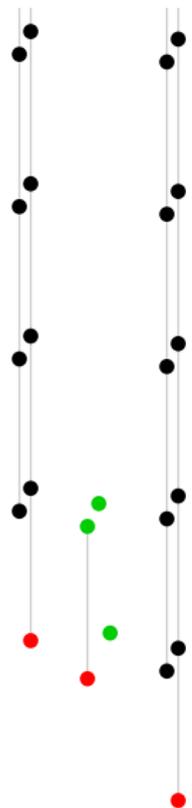
Observation: The real roots limit, from two sides, to the direction of the imaginary root.
(This is true in general affine type.)



Almost positive Schur roots appear in two ways in cluster scattering diagrams:

1. They index the rays of the fan.
 - There is a piecewise-linear bijection from **real** a.p. Schur roots to \mathbf{g} -vectors of cluster variables.
 - The one **imaginary** a.p. Schur root corresponds to a “**limiting ray**” outside the cluster fan.
 - There is a combinatorial description of “compatibility” similar to finite type.
2. $\{\mathbf{Positive\ Schur\ roots}\}$
 $= \{\text{normal vectors to walls}\}.$
 - Exactly one wall normal to each root.
 - There is one limiting “imaginary wall”.
 - All other walls are walls of the cluster fan.

Affine scattering fan example



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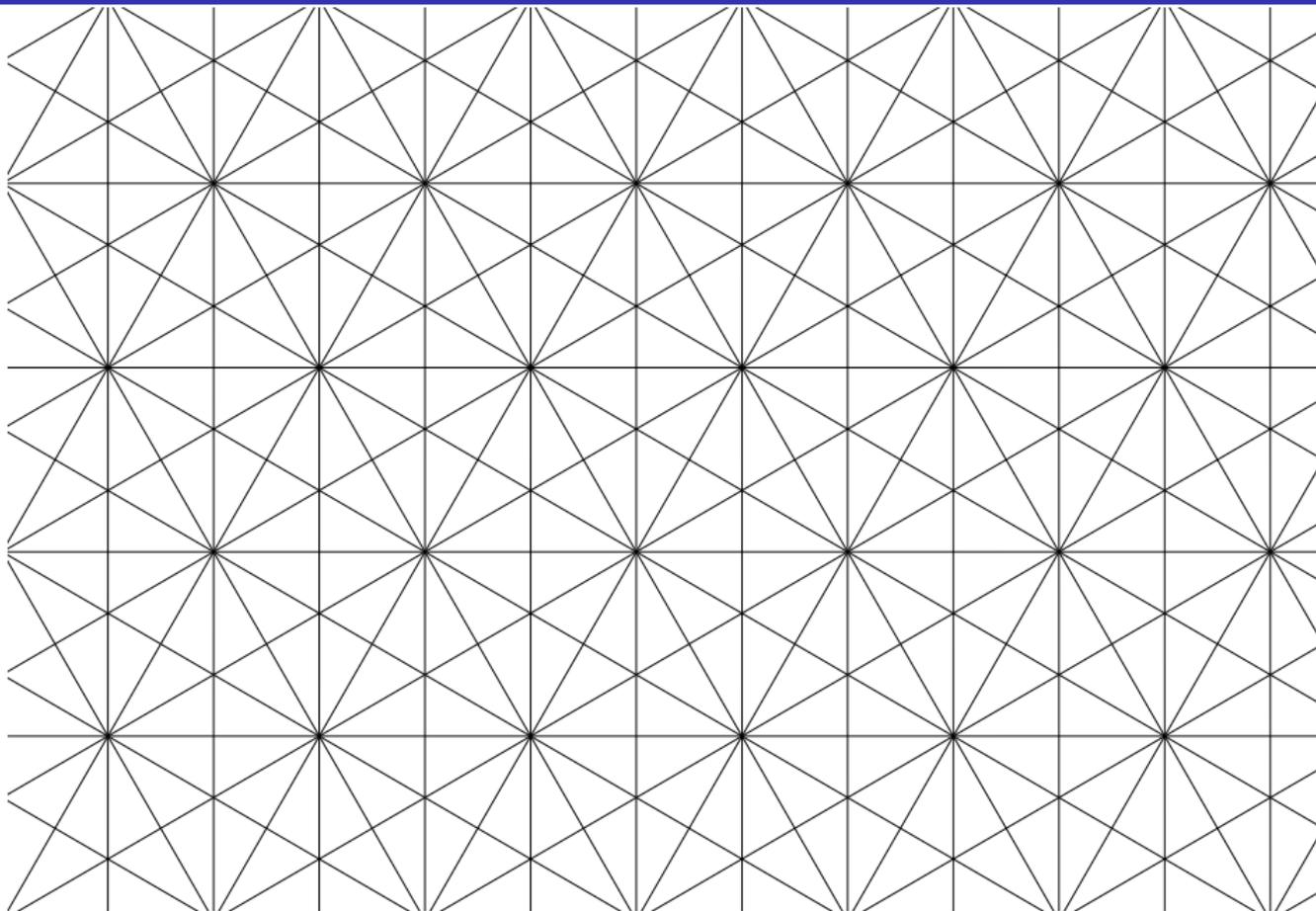
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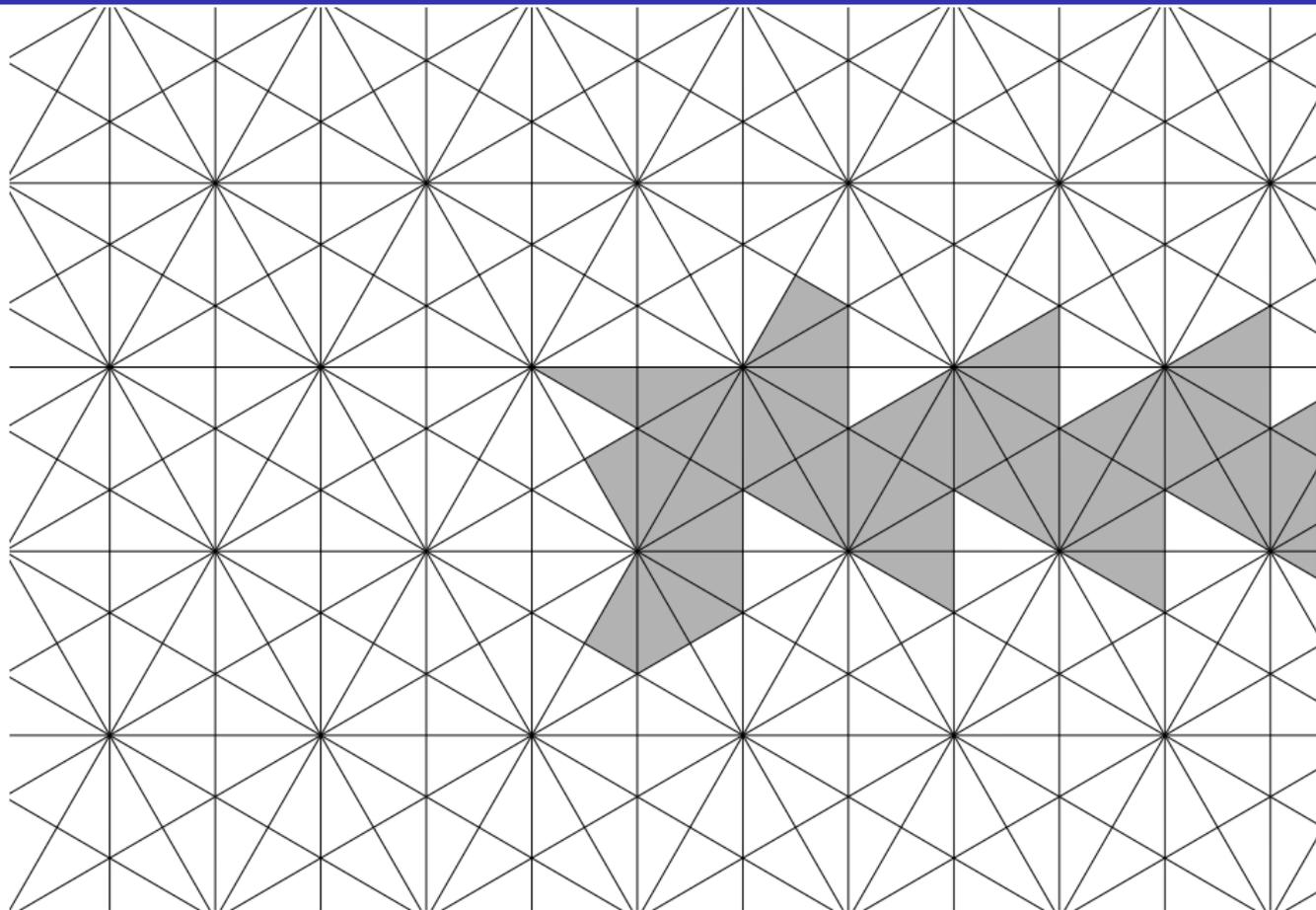
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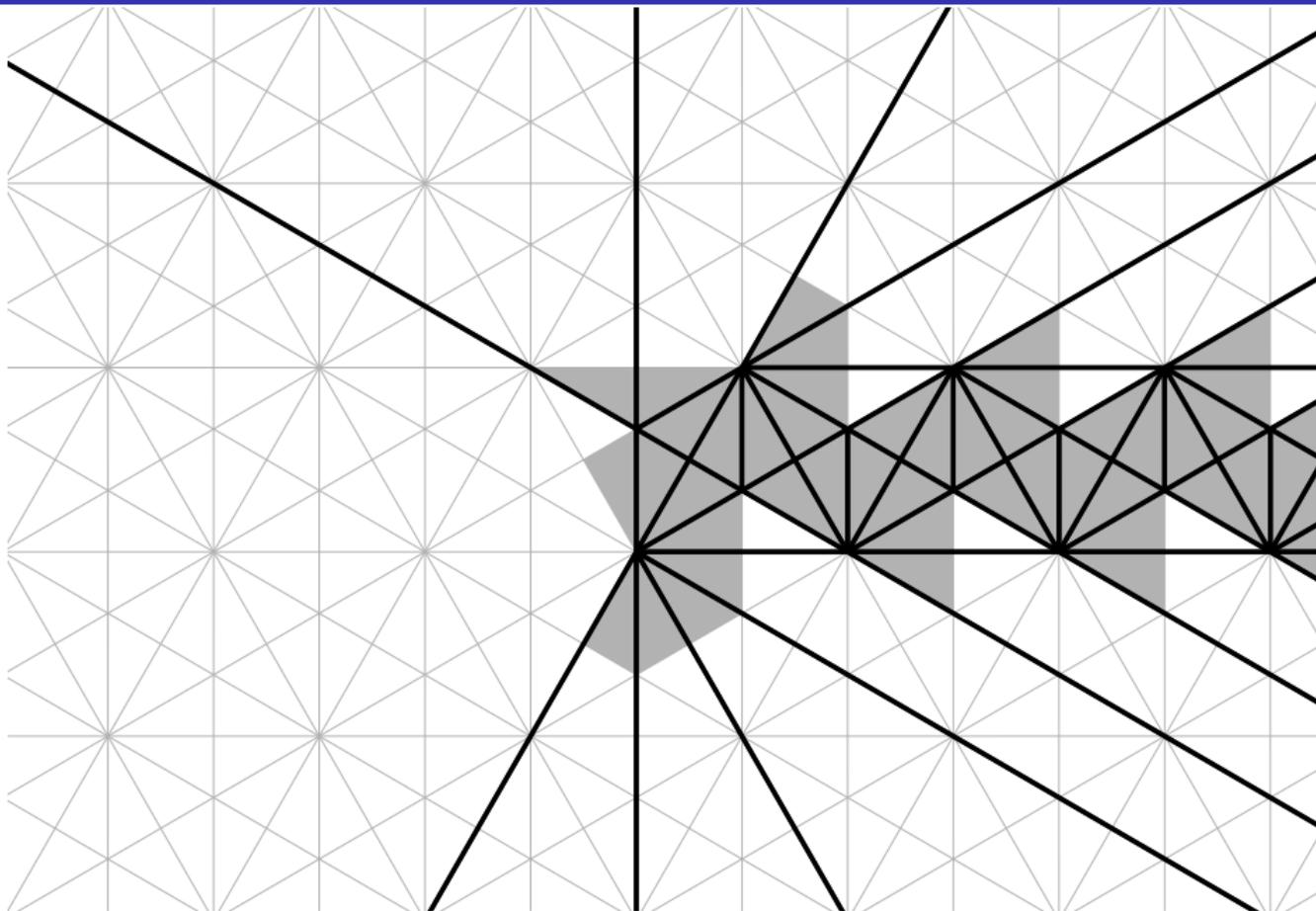
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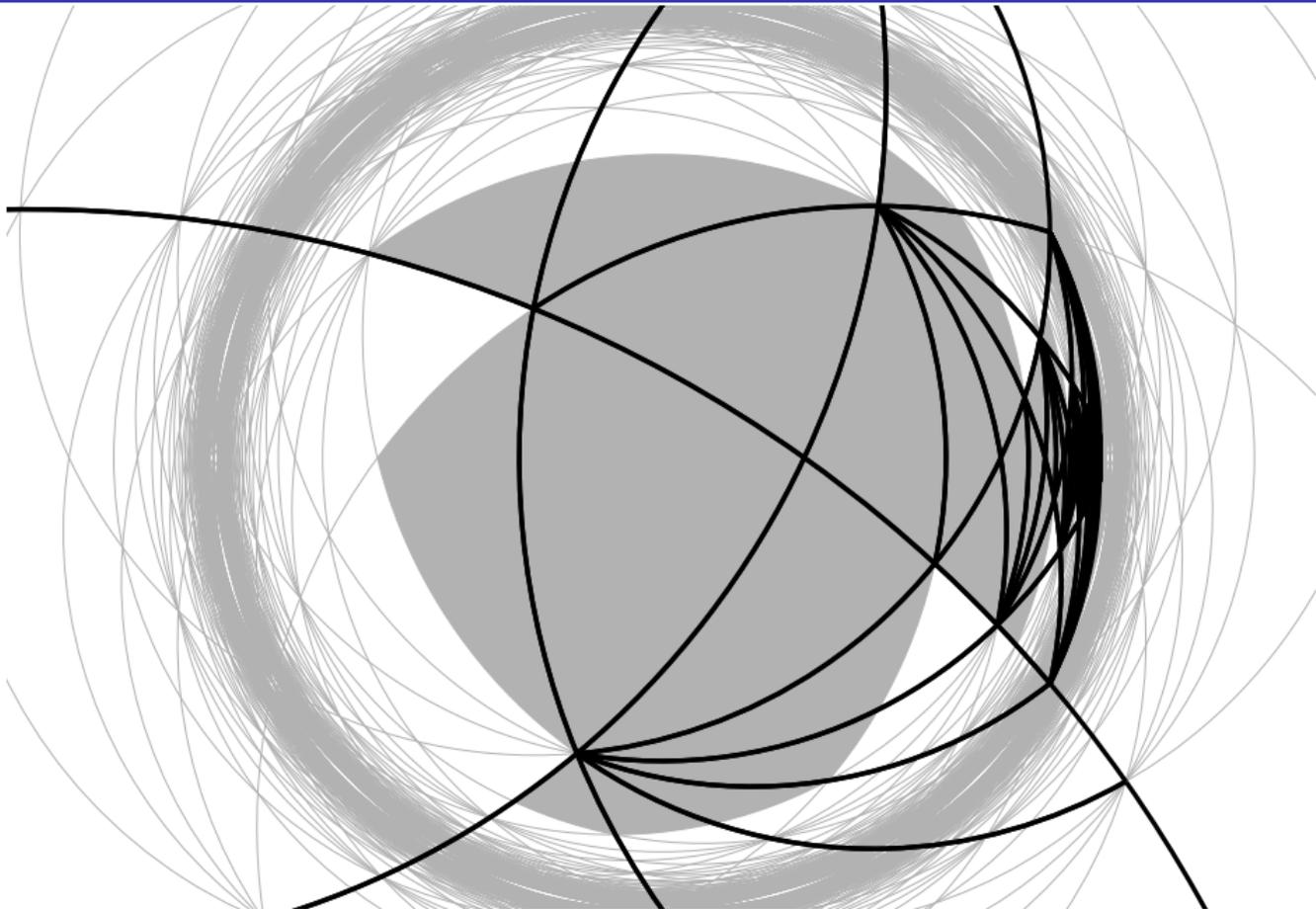
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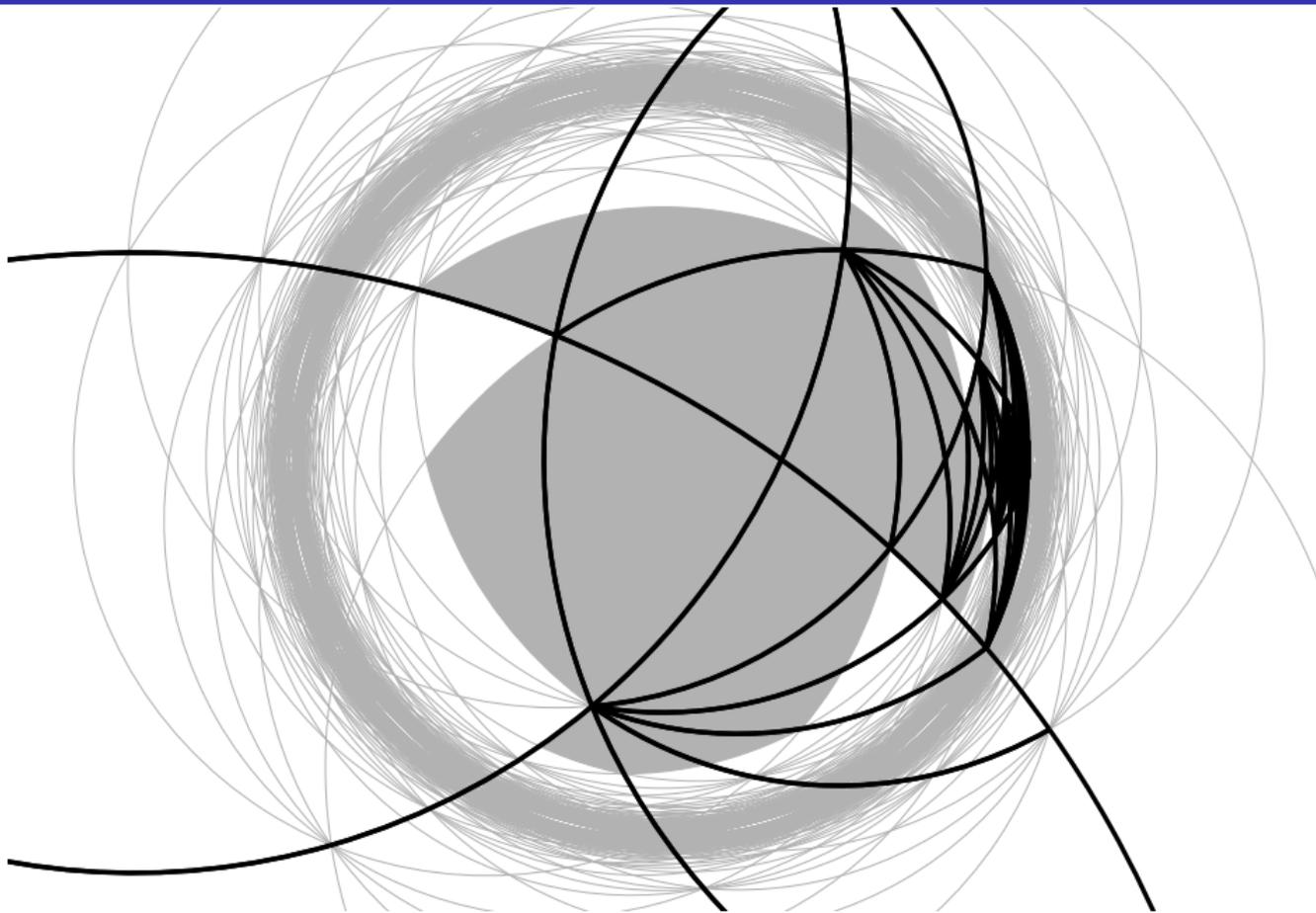
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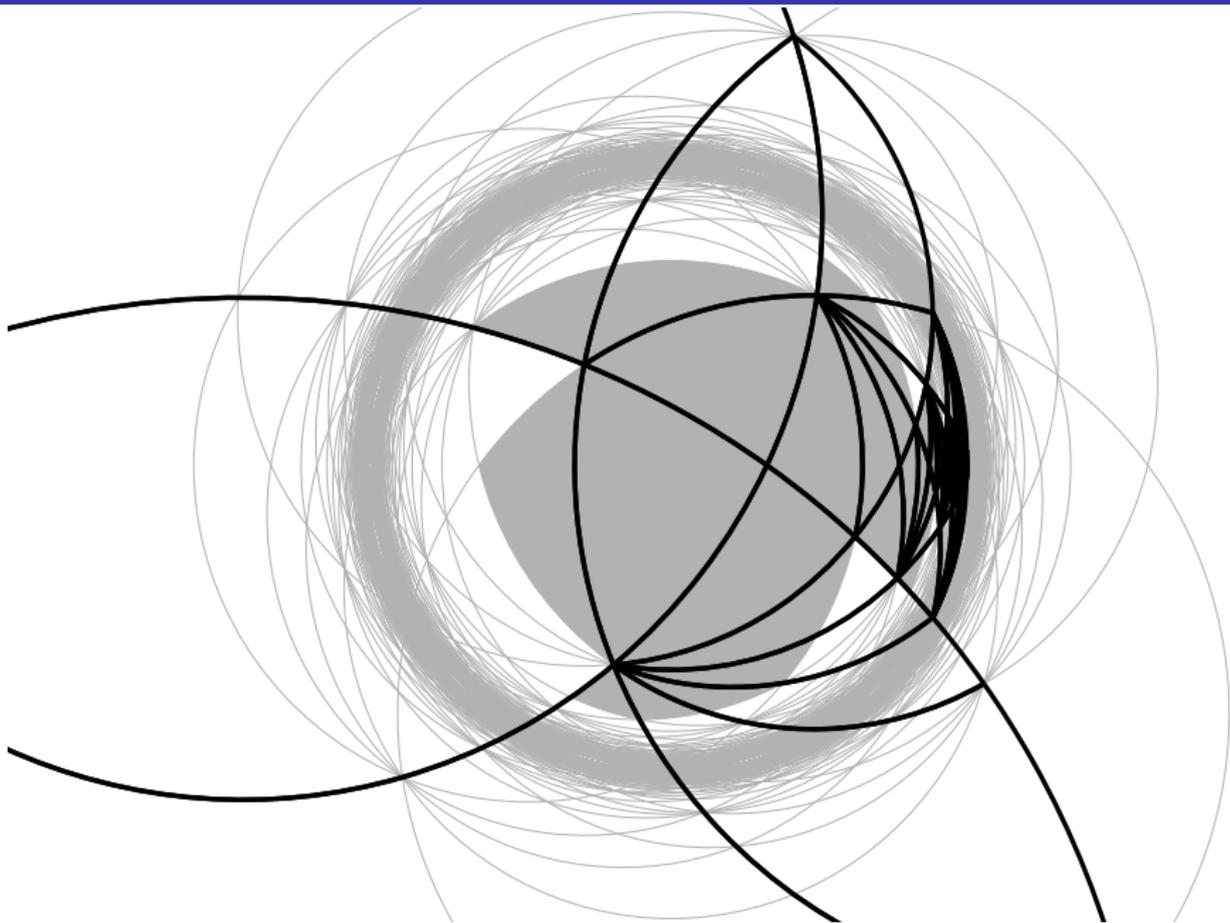
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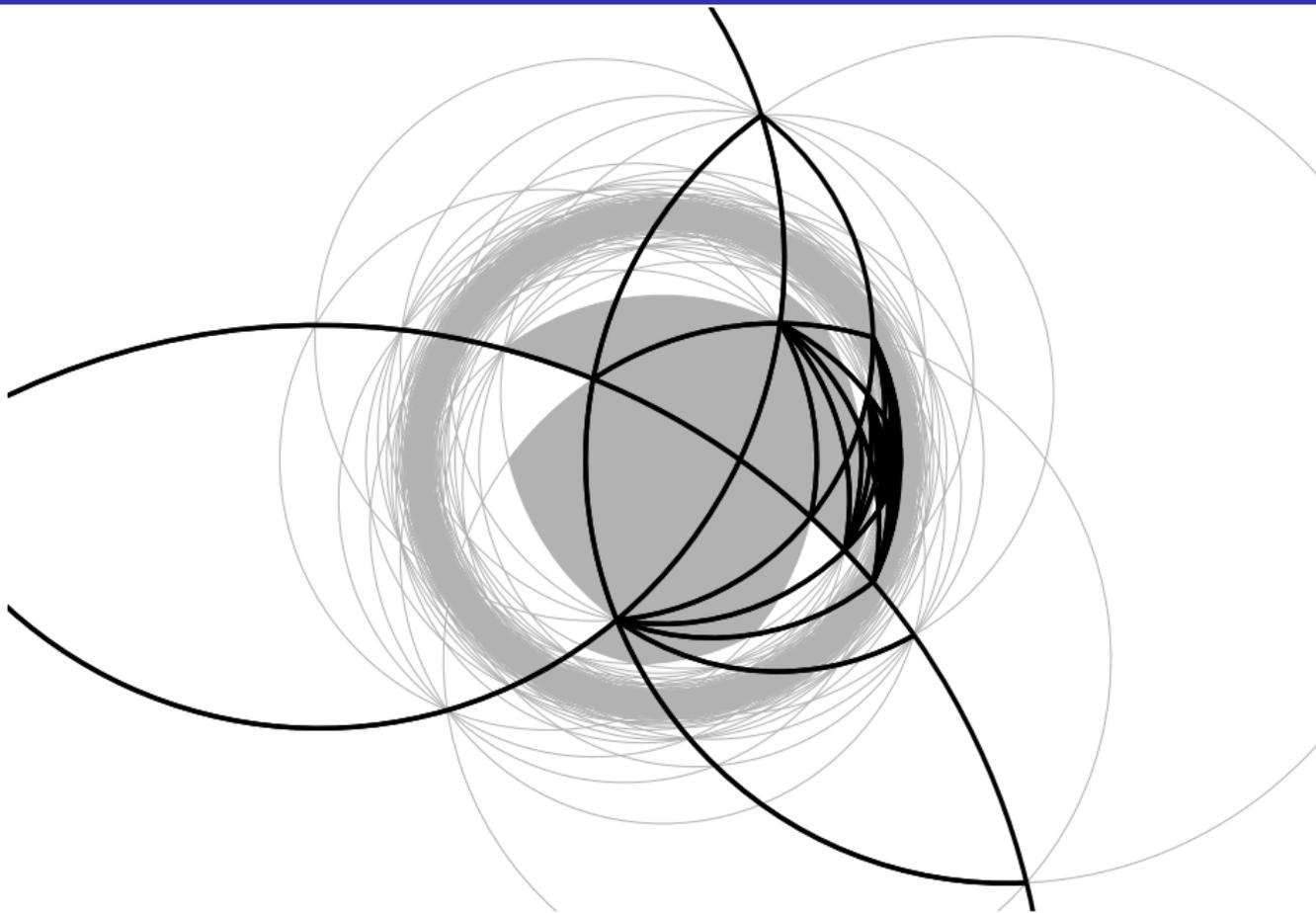
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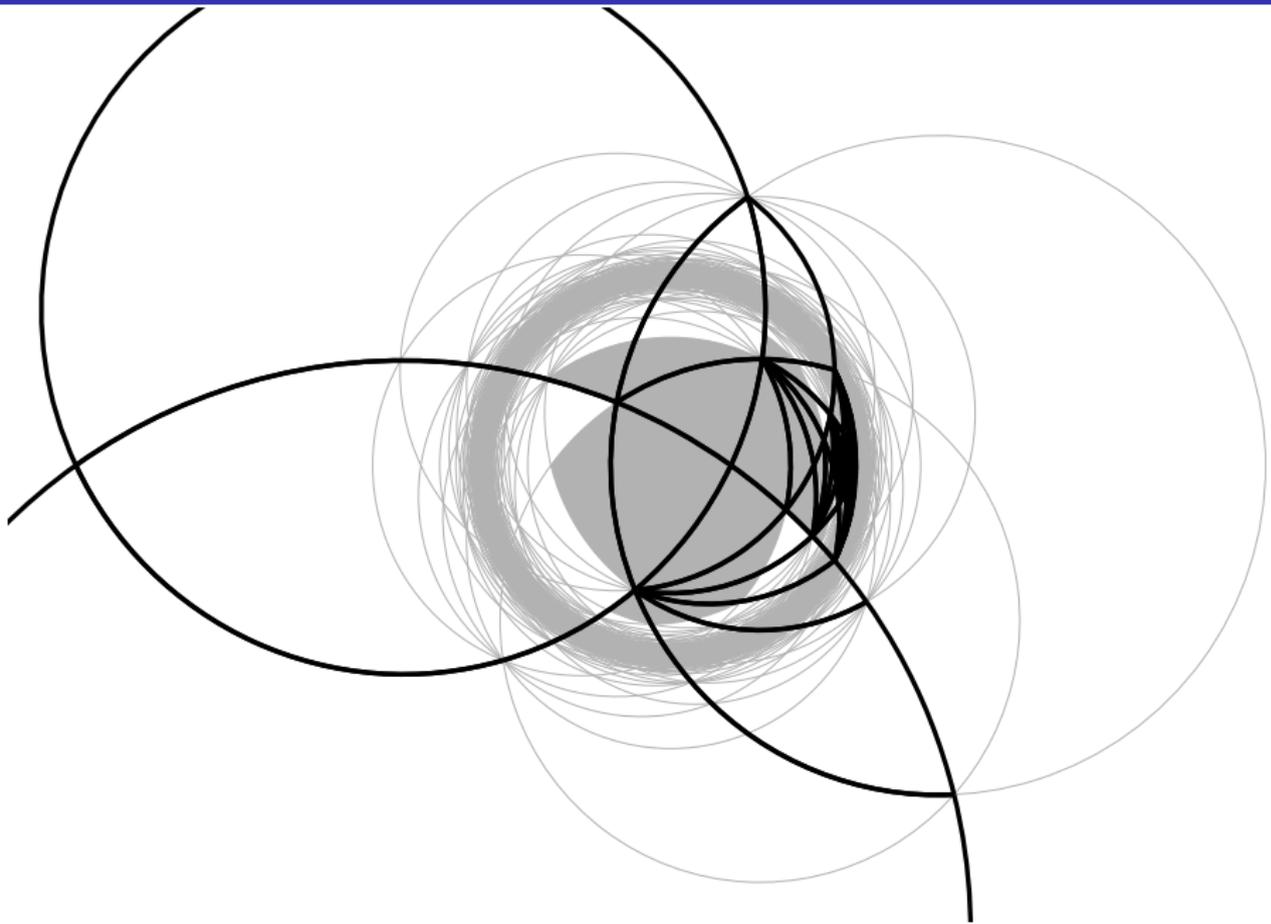
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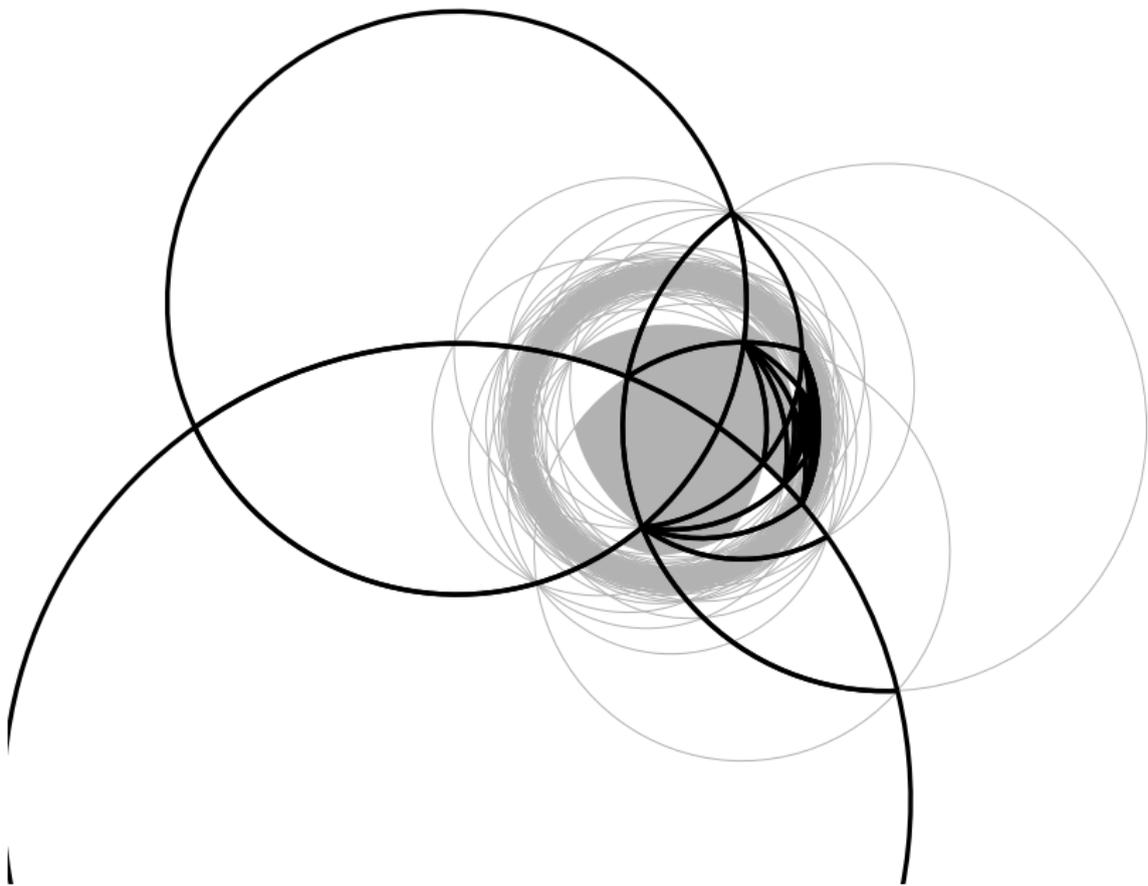
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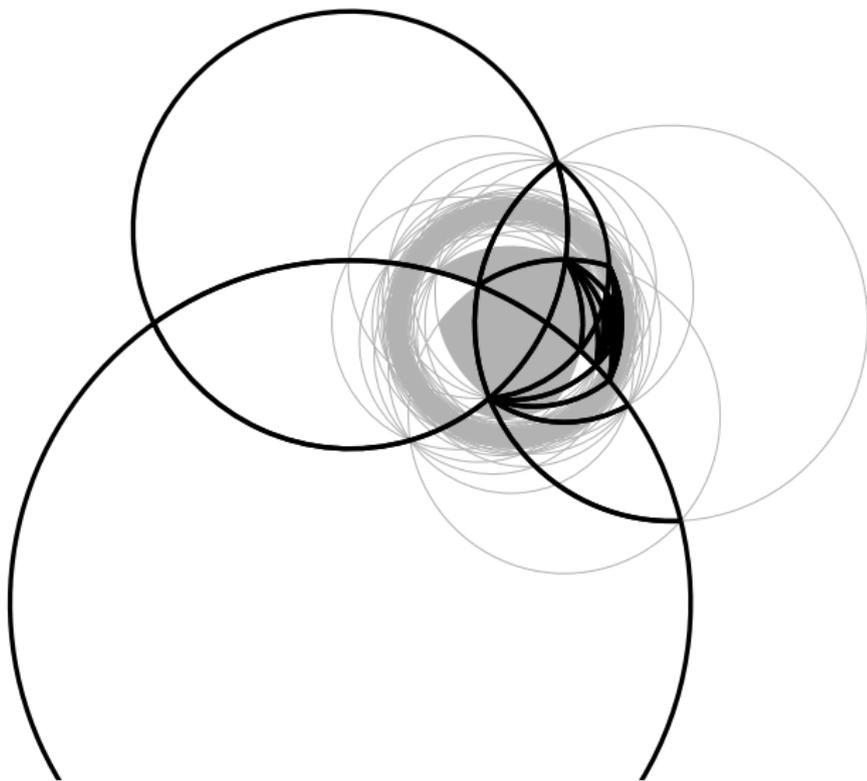
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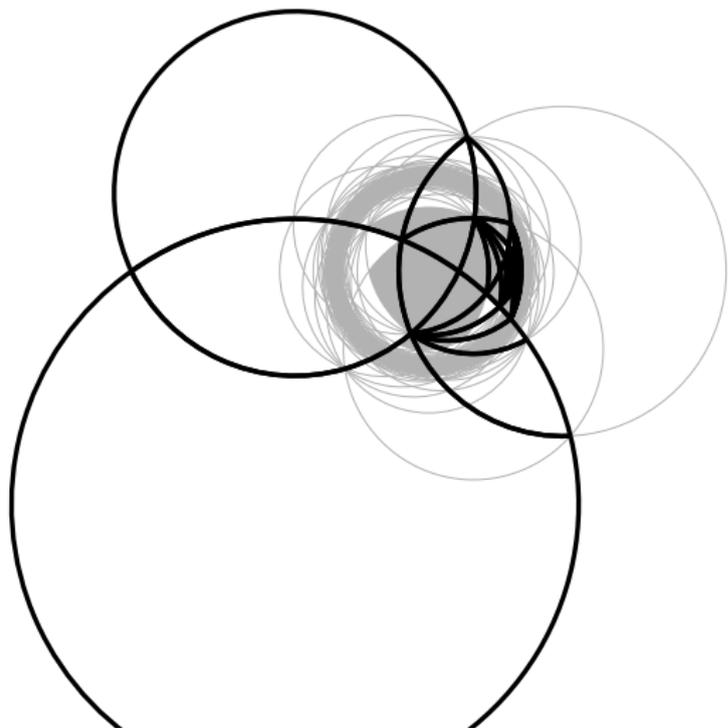
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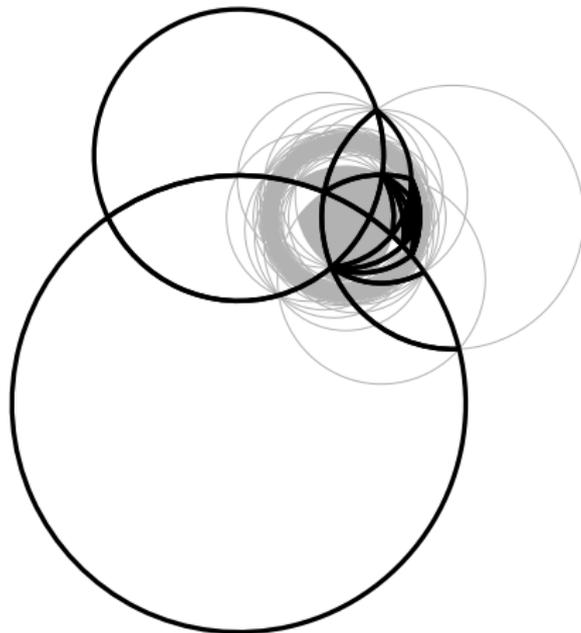
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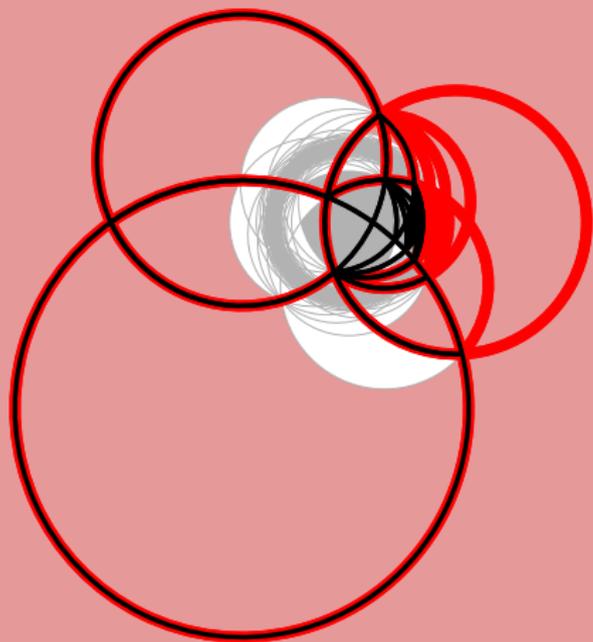
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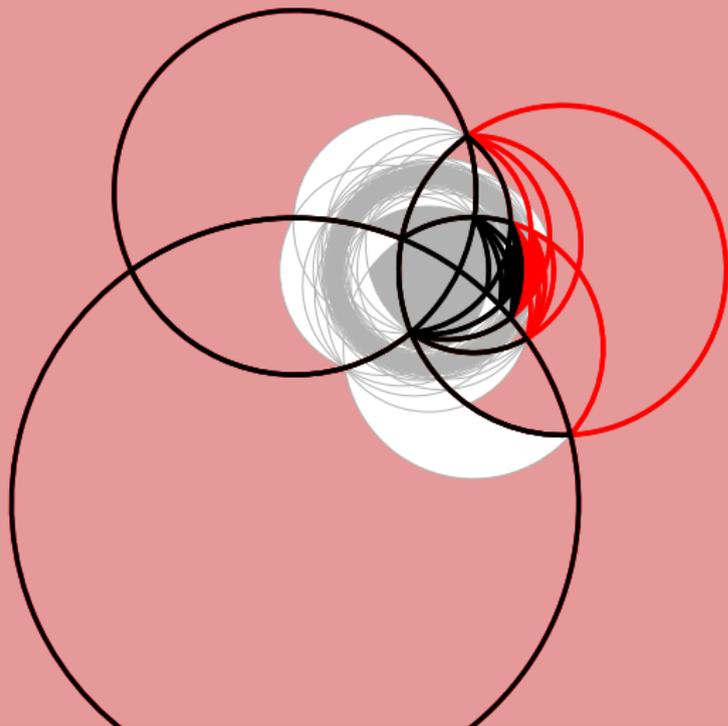
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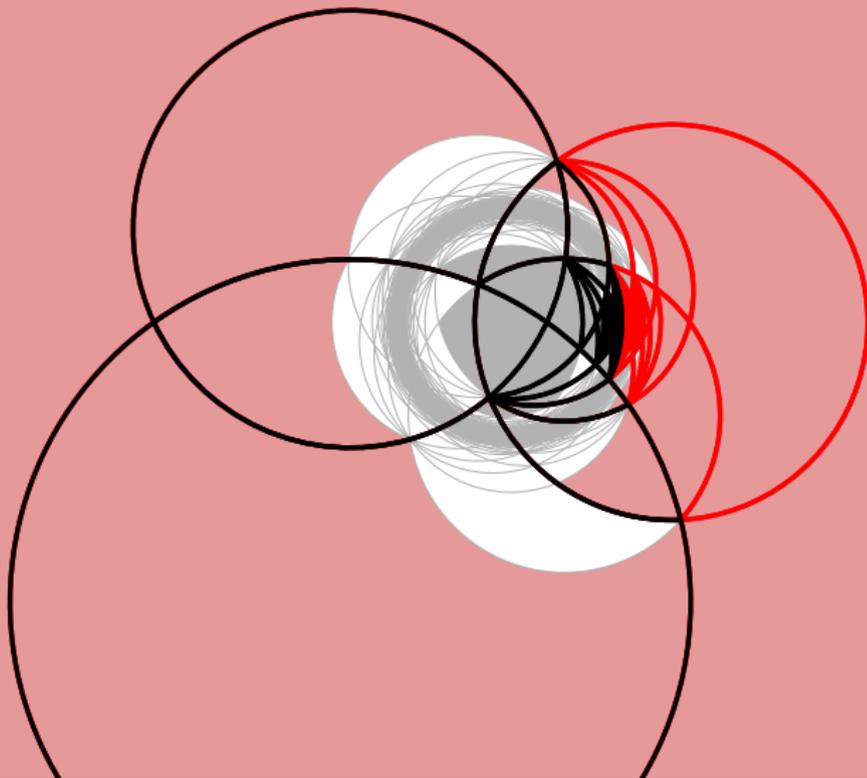
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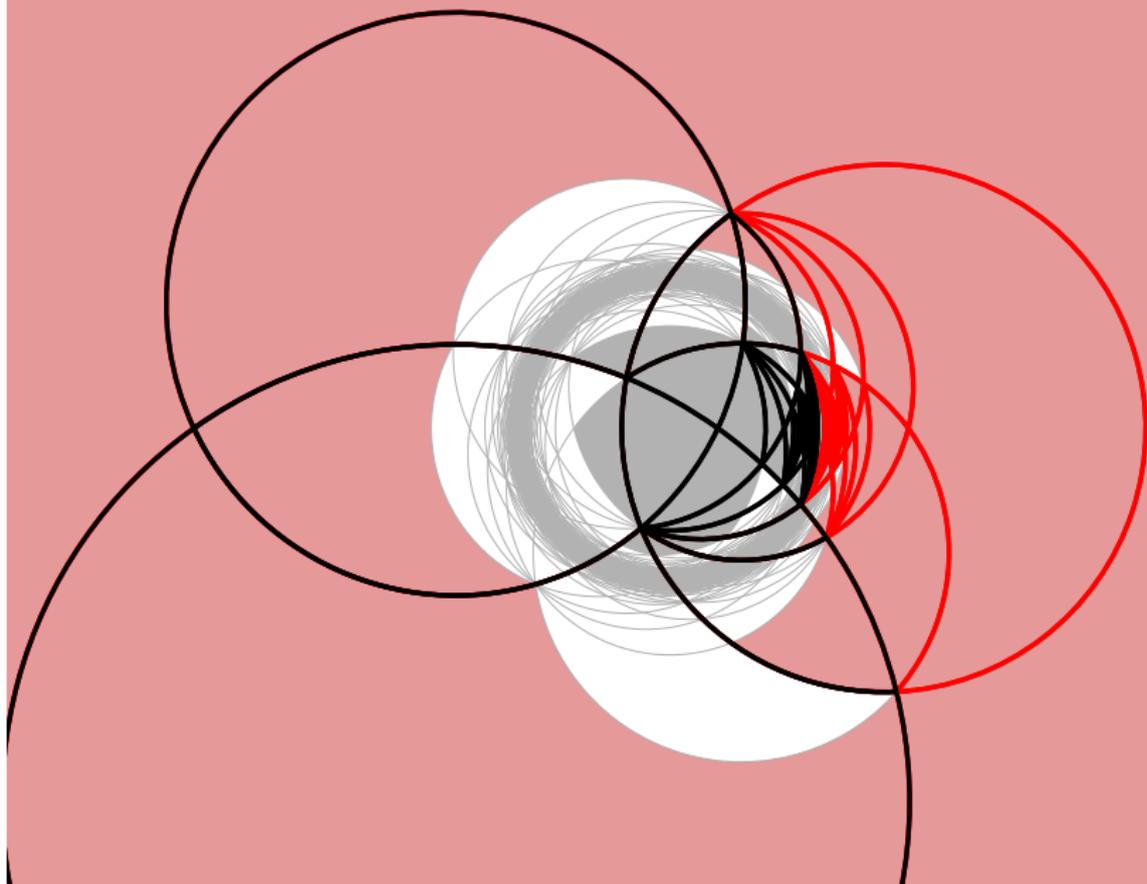
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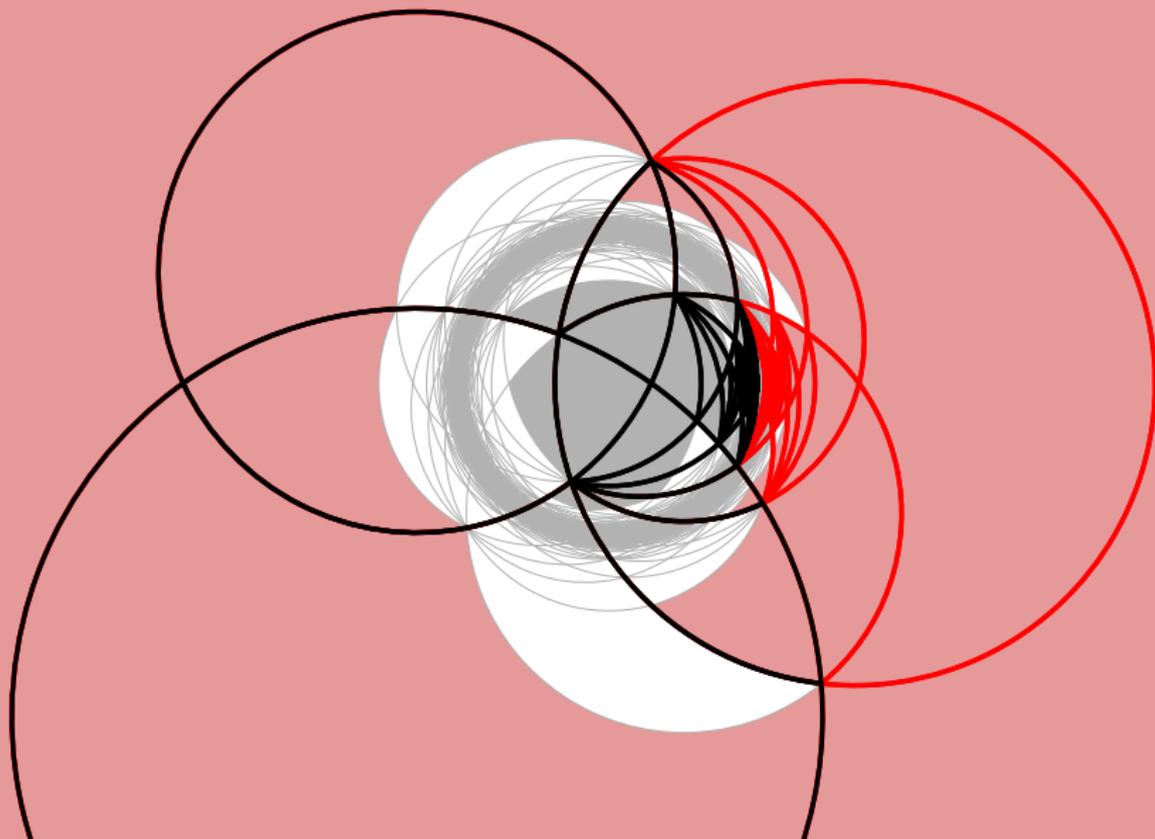
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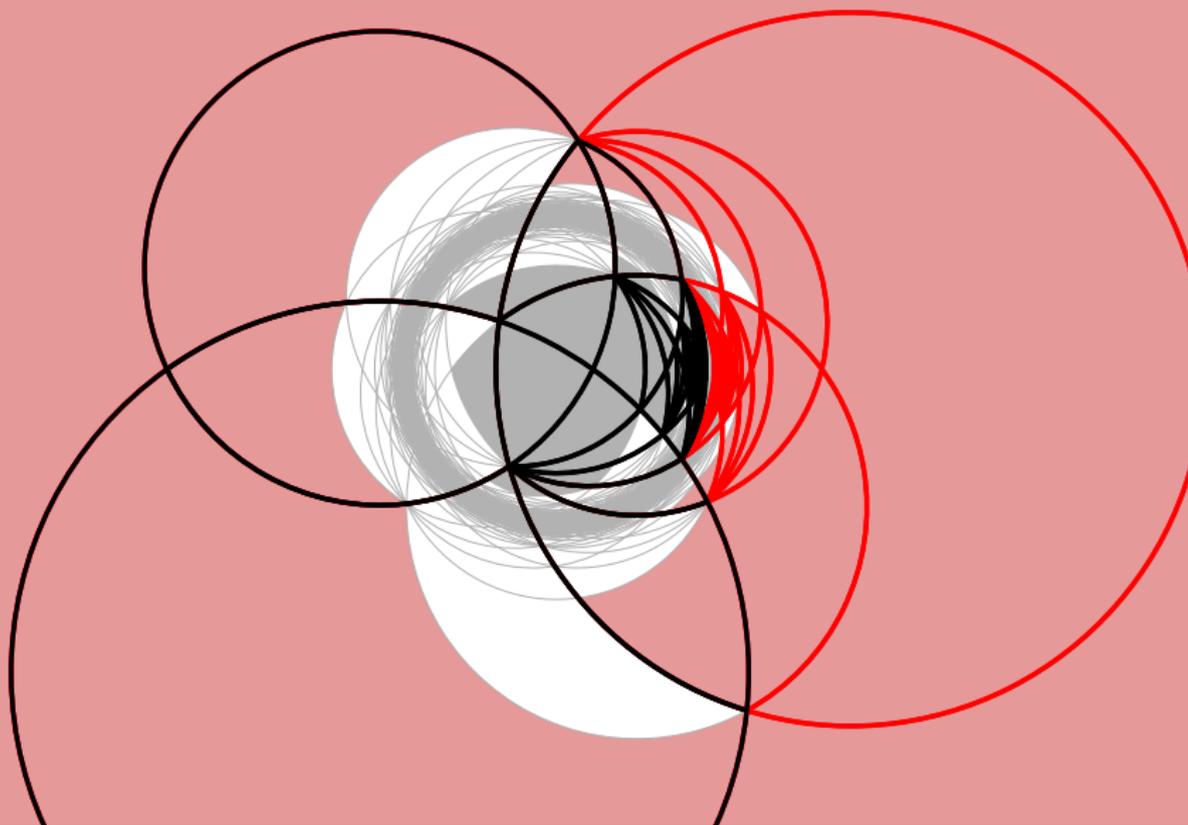
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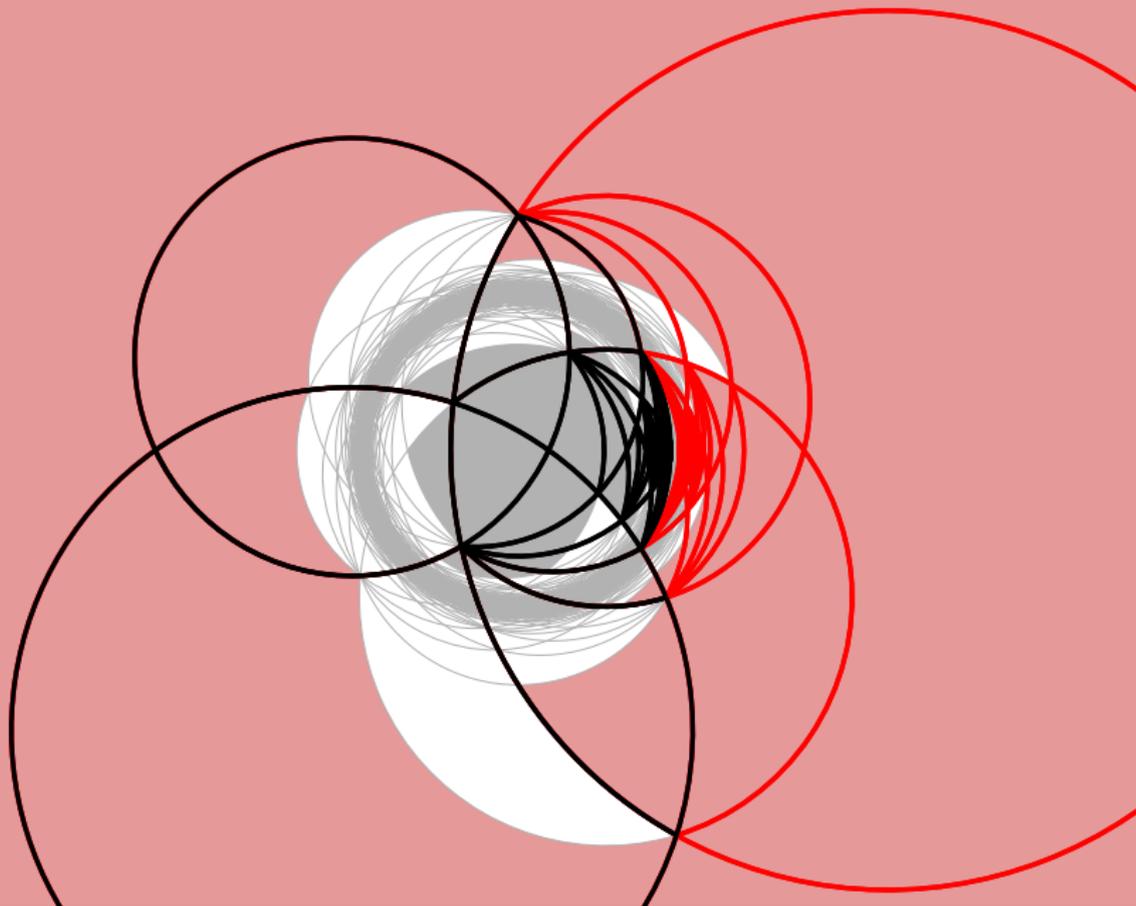
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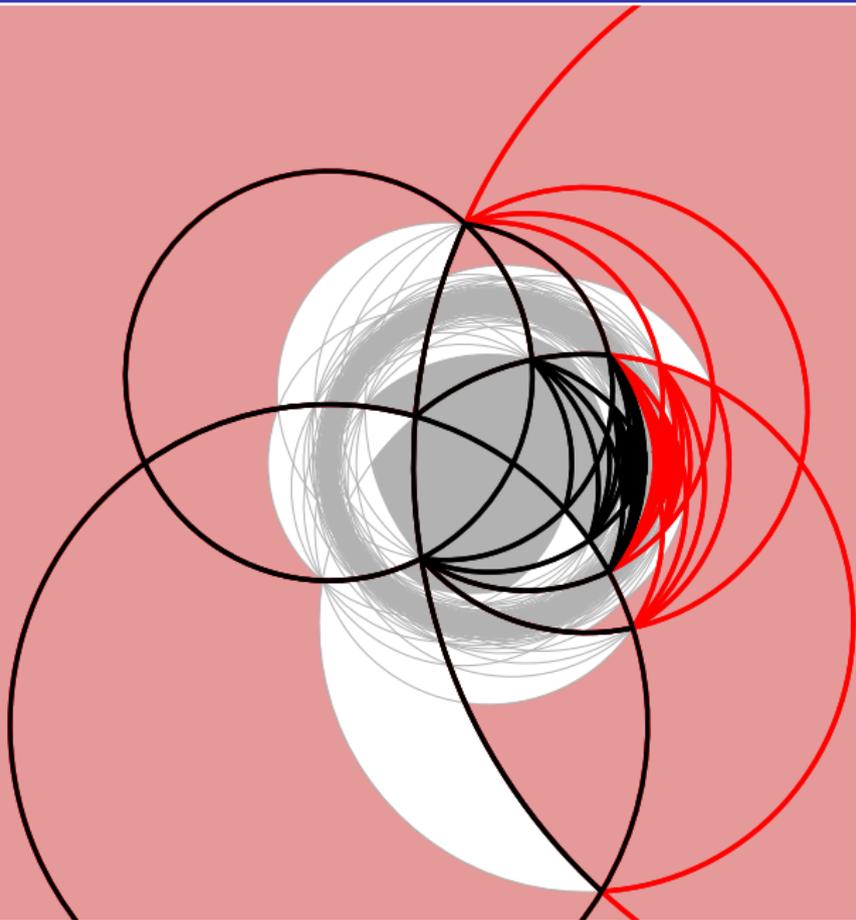
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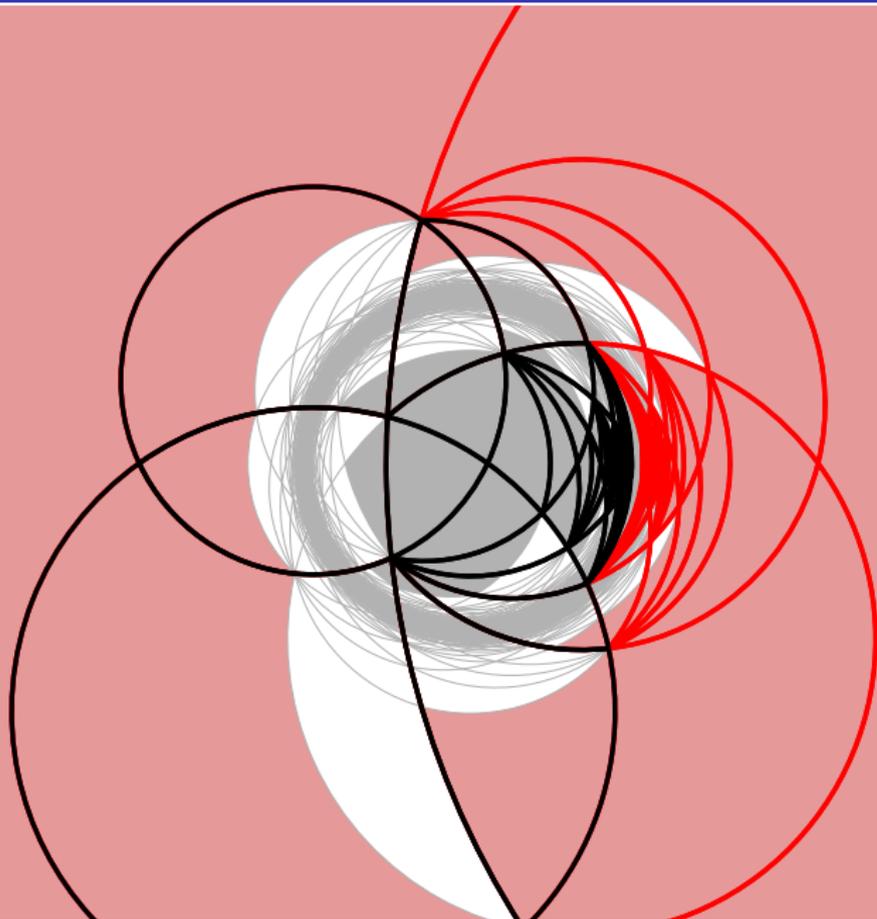
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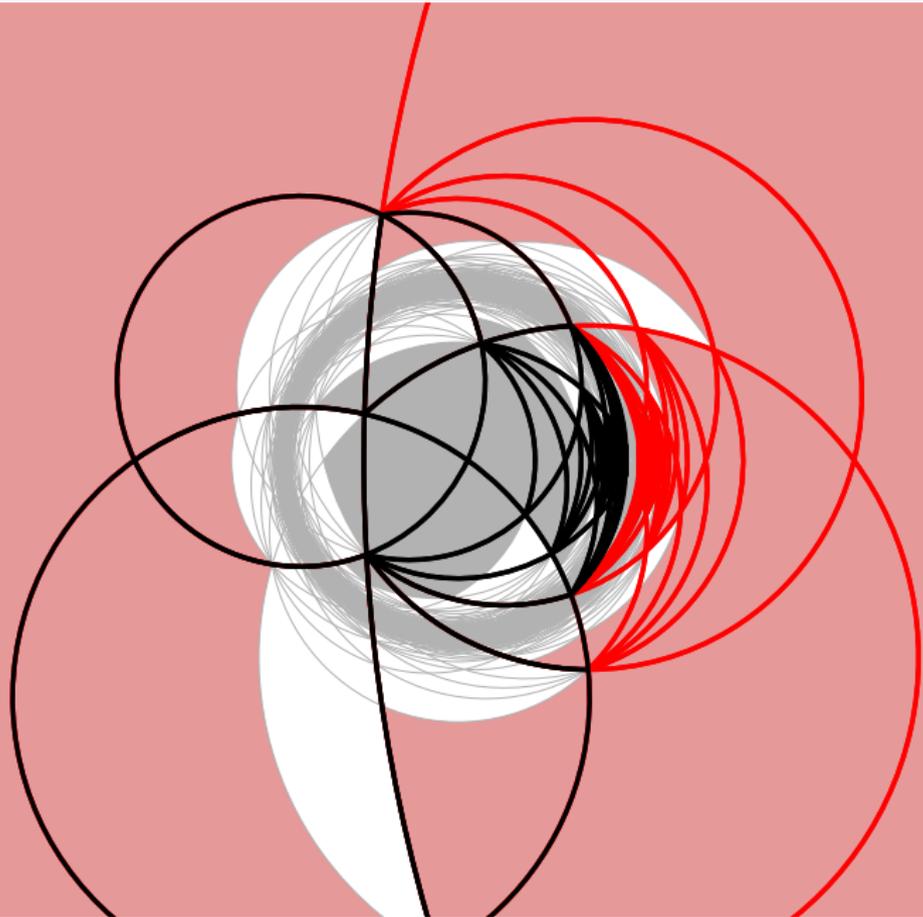
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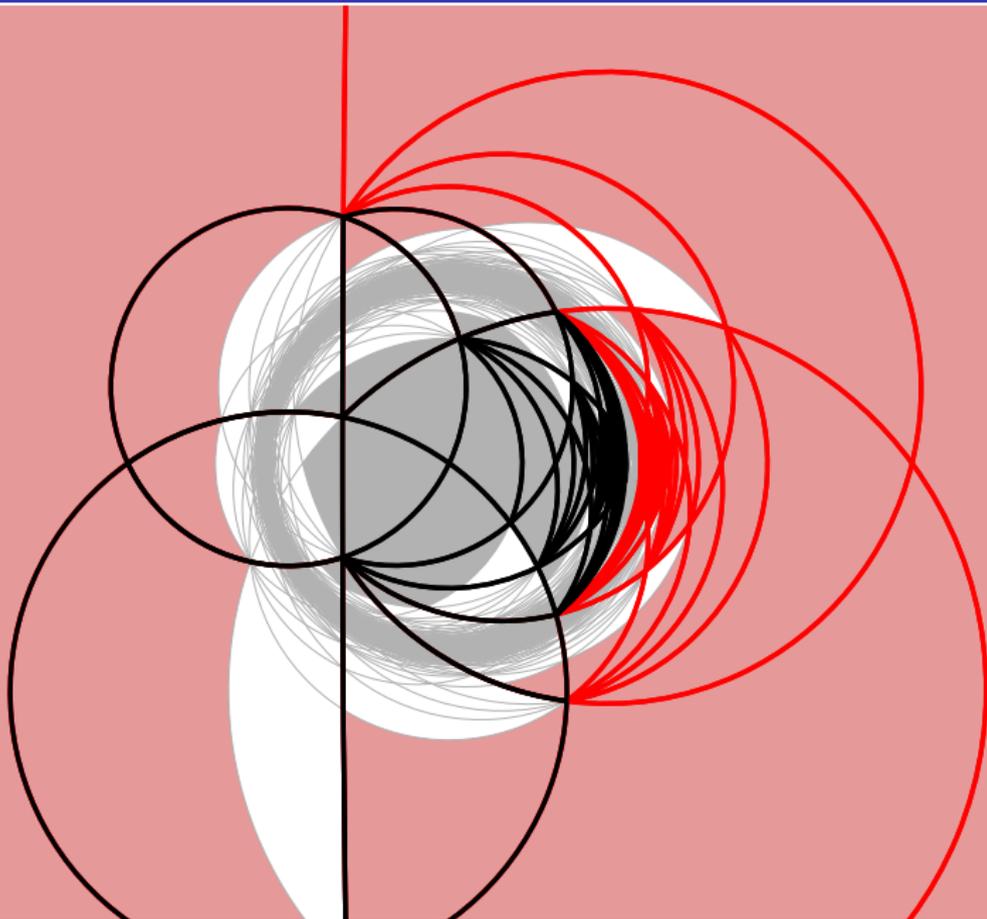
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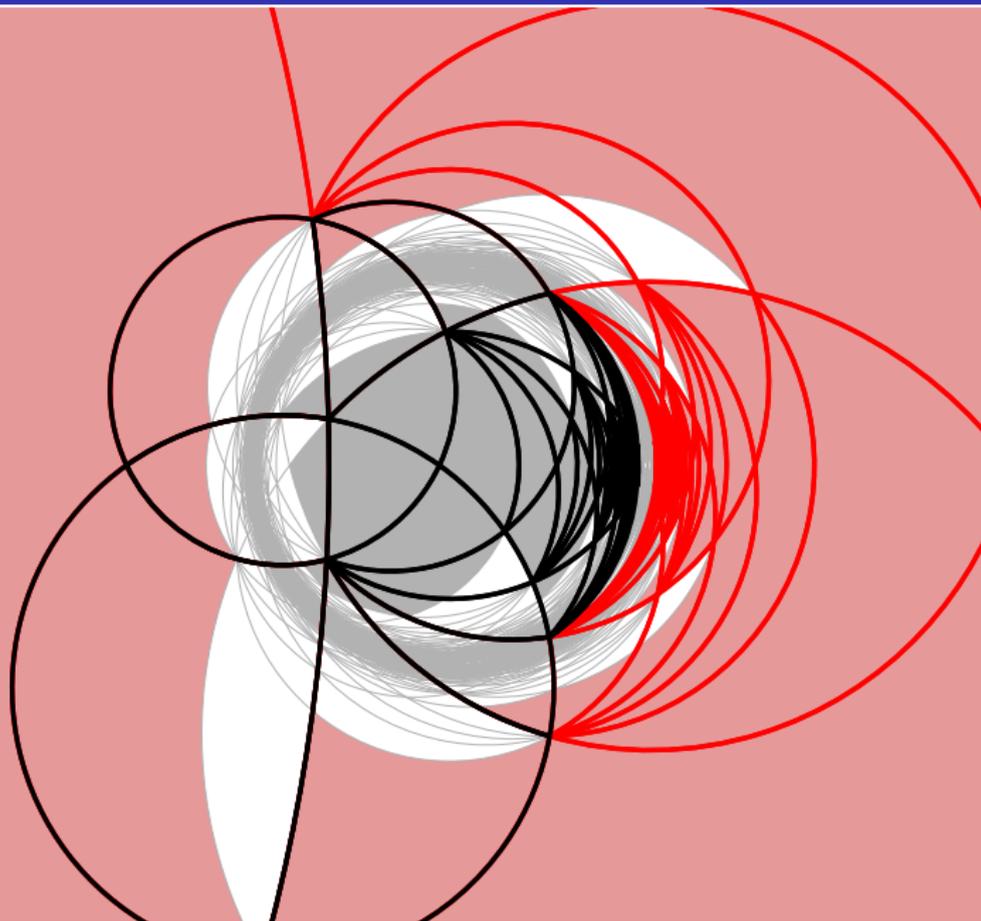
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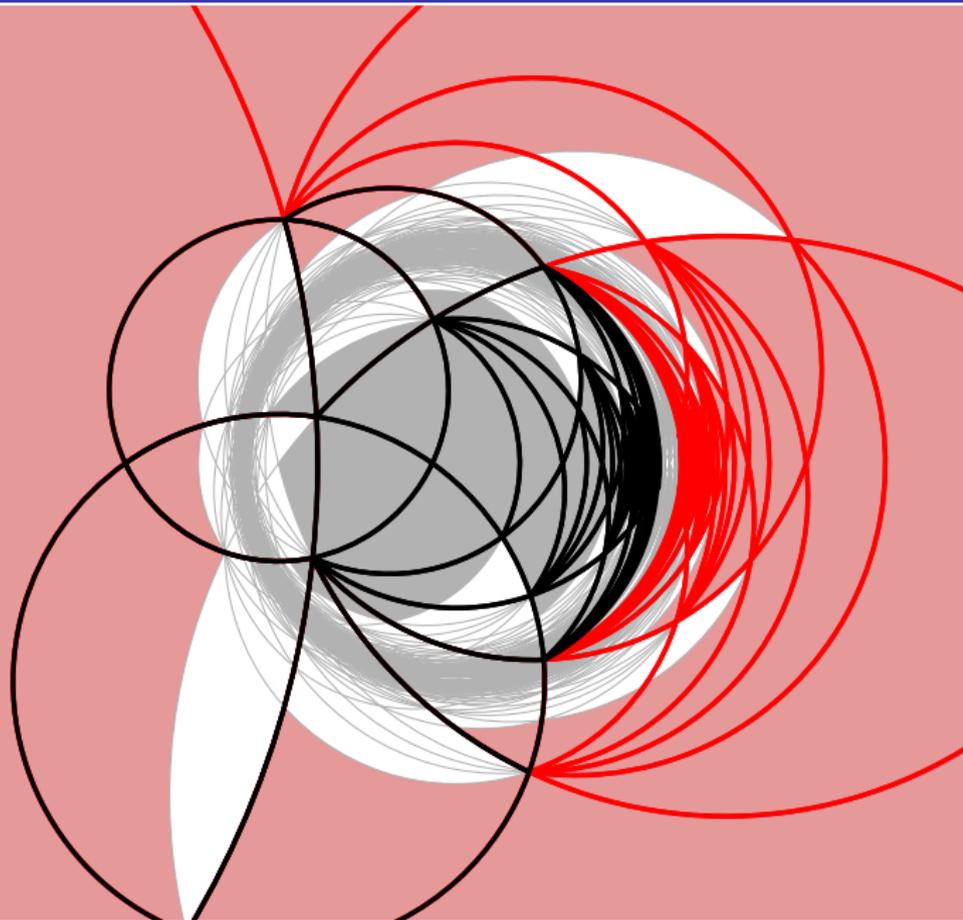
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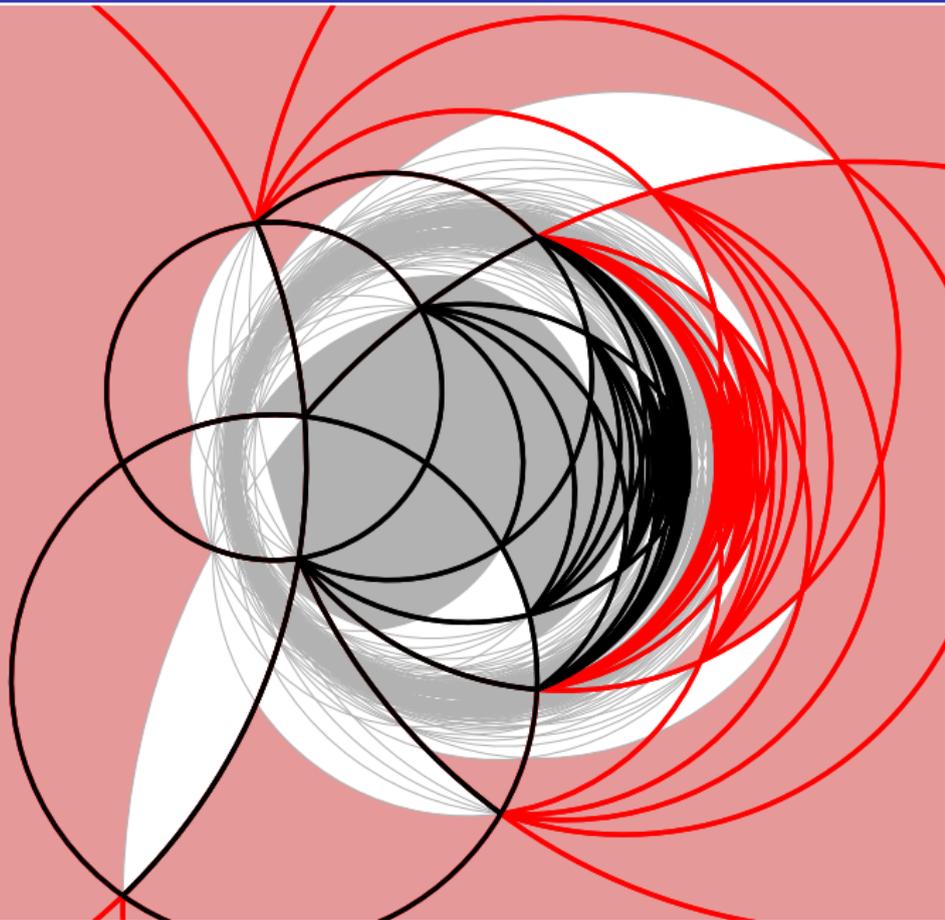
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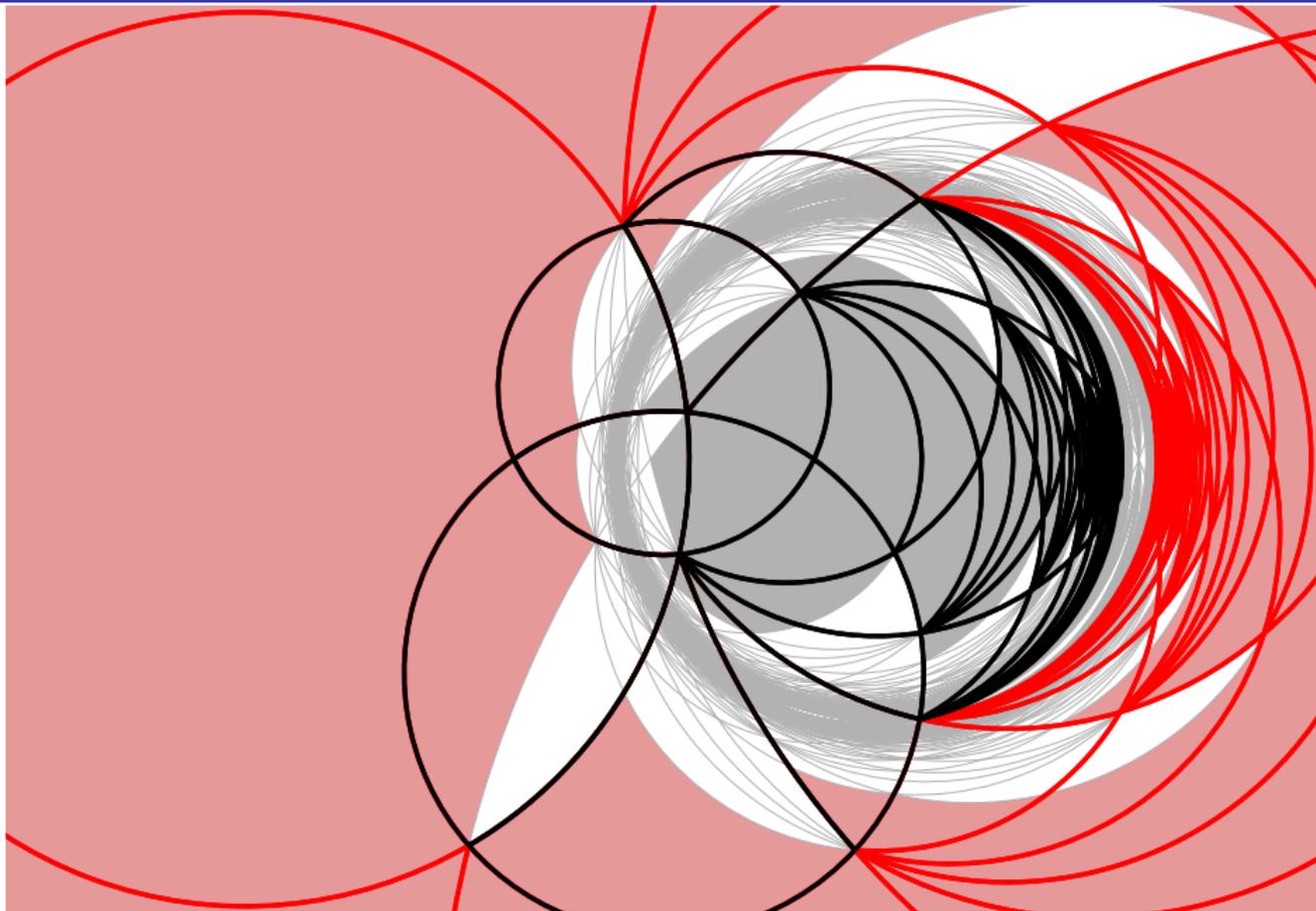
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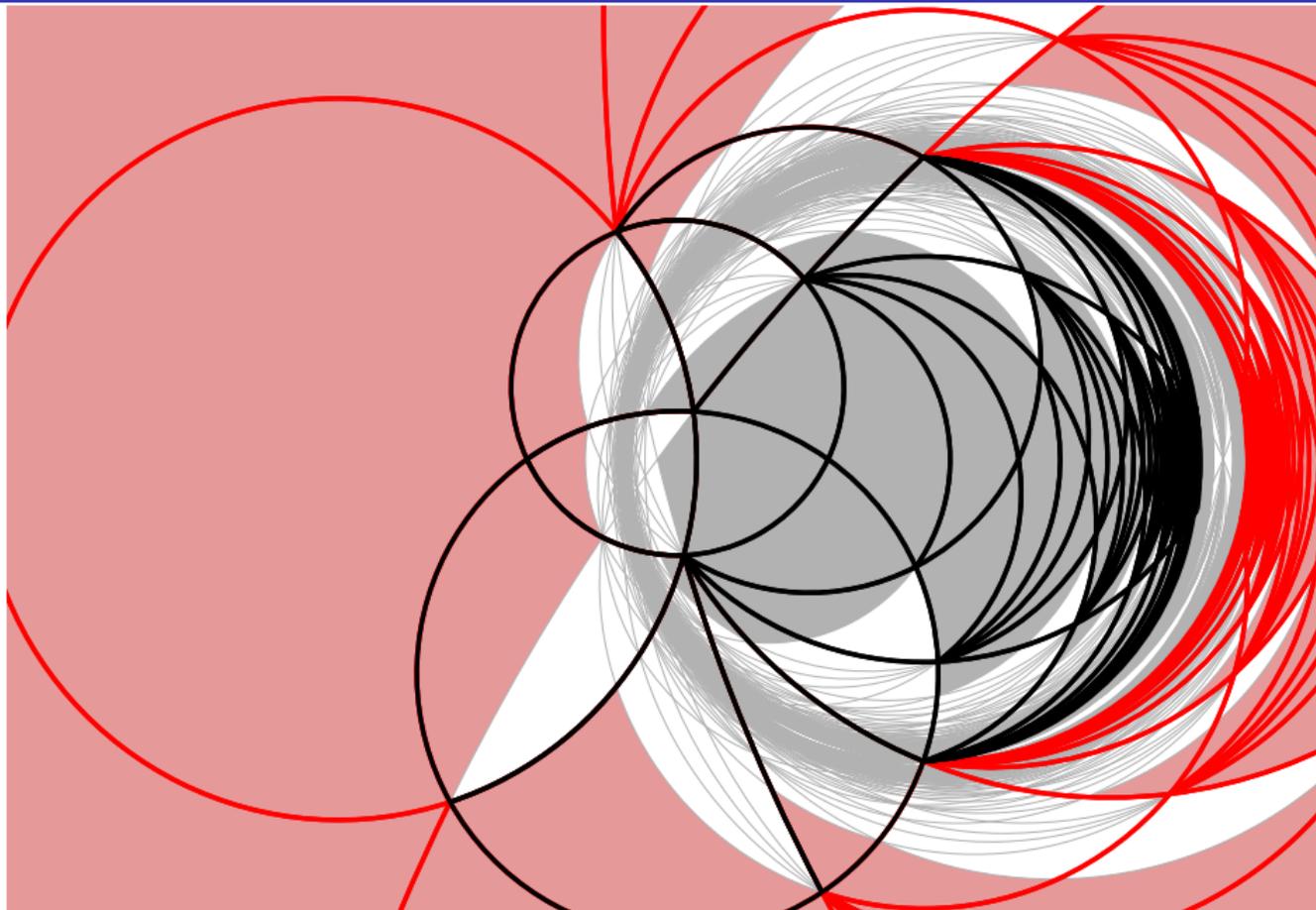
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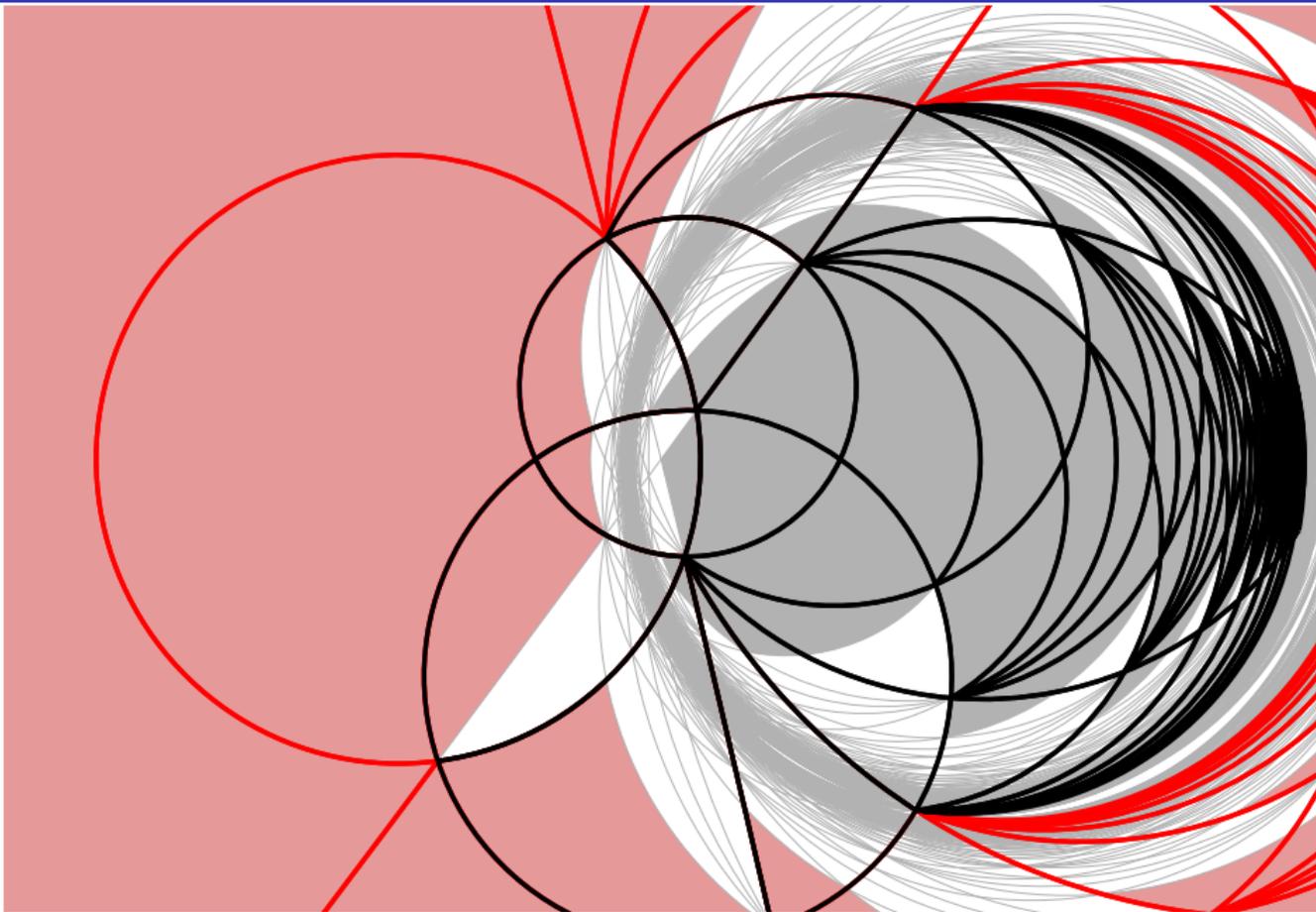
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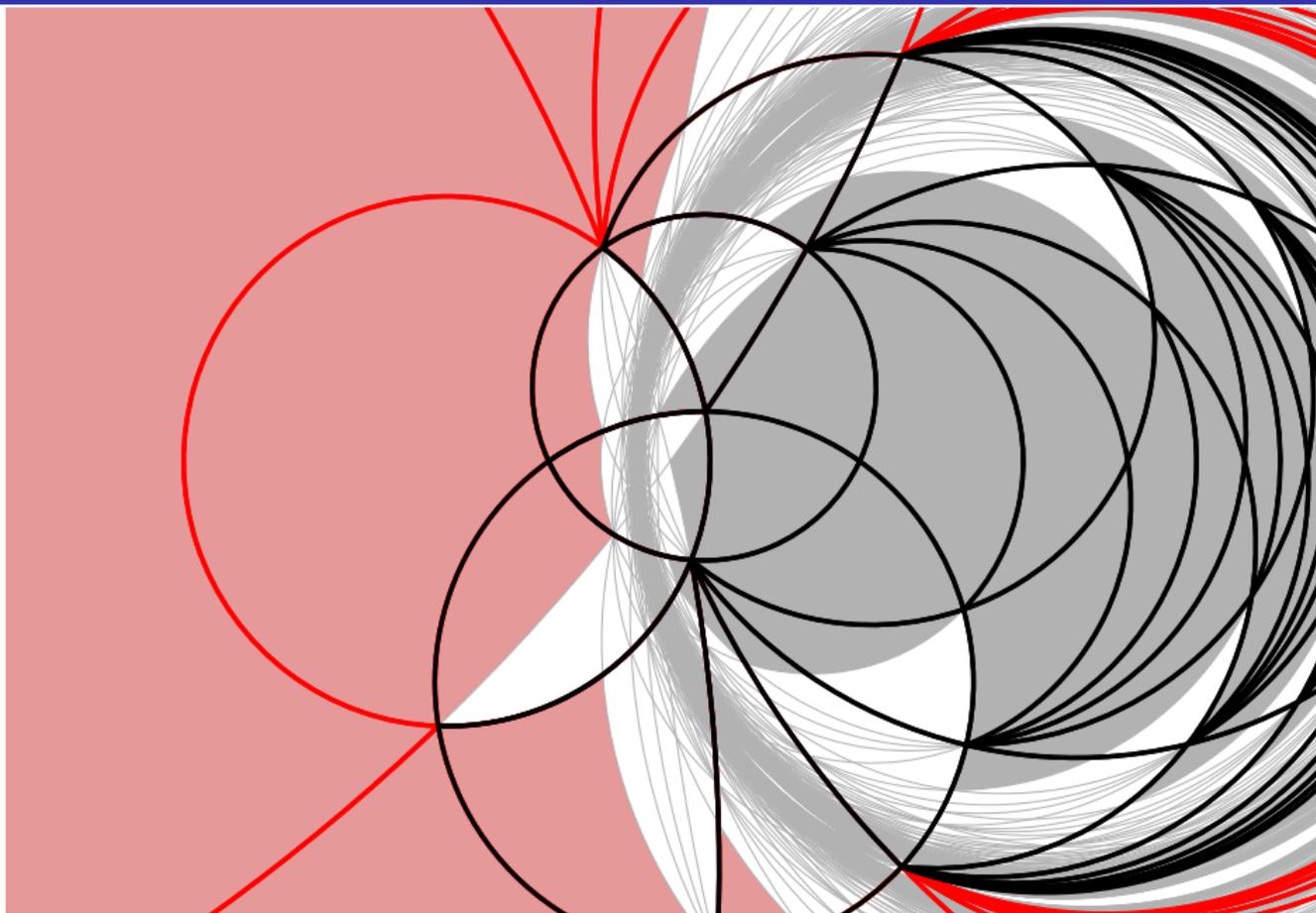
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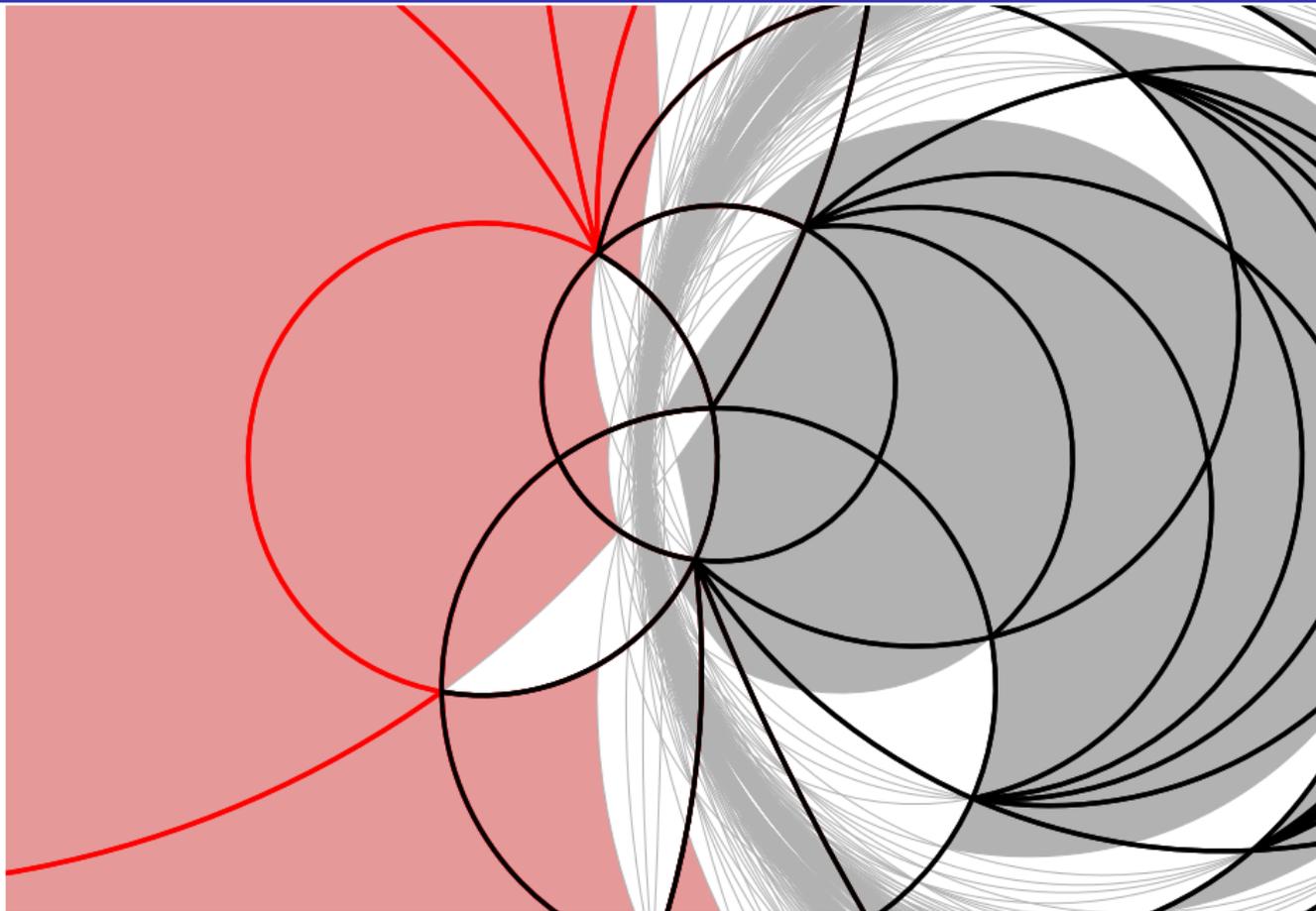
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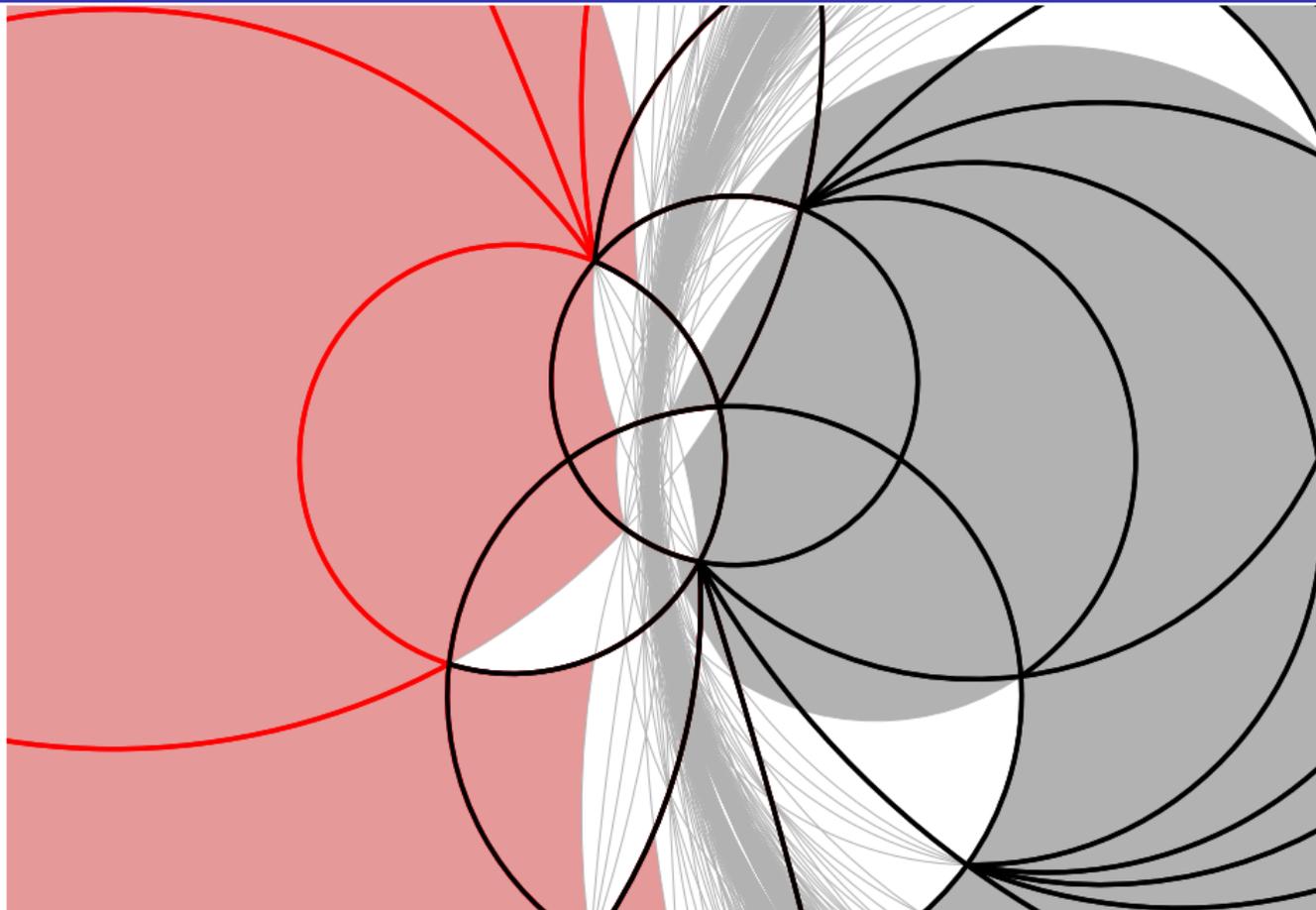
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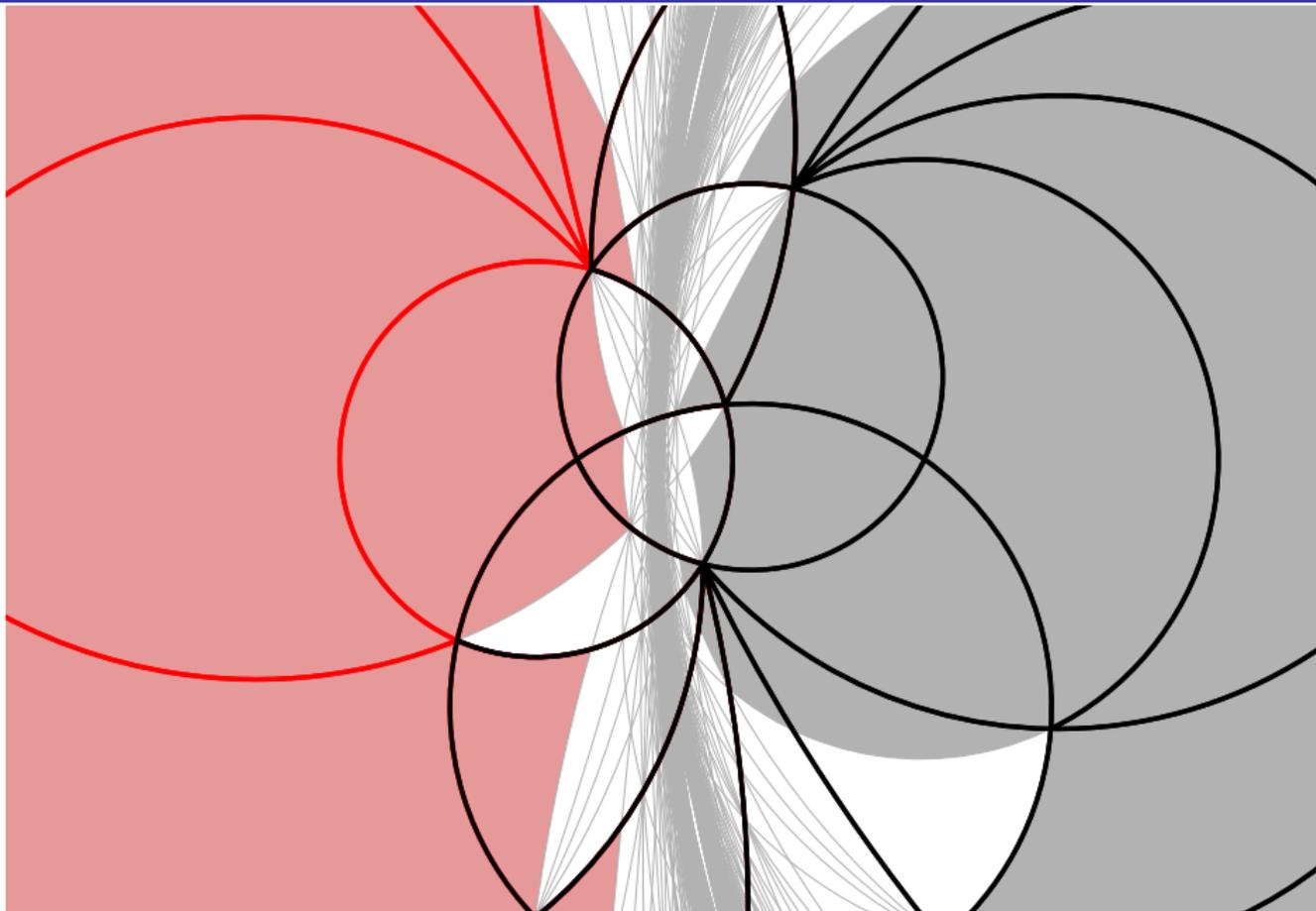
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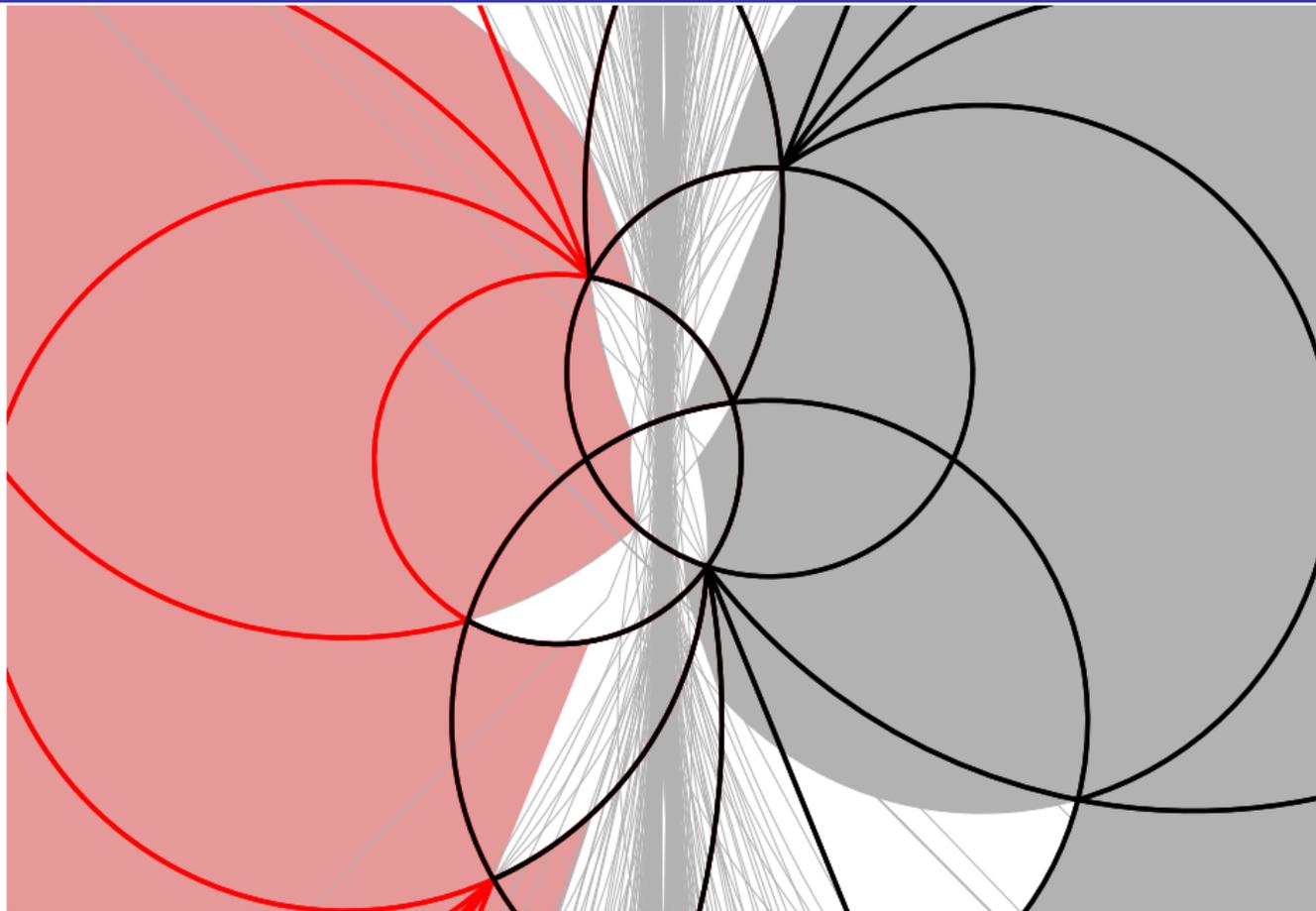
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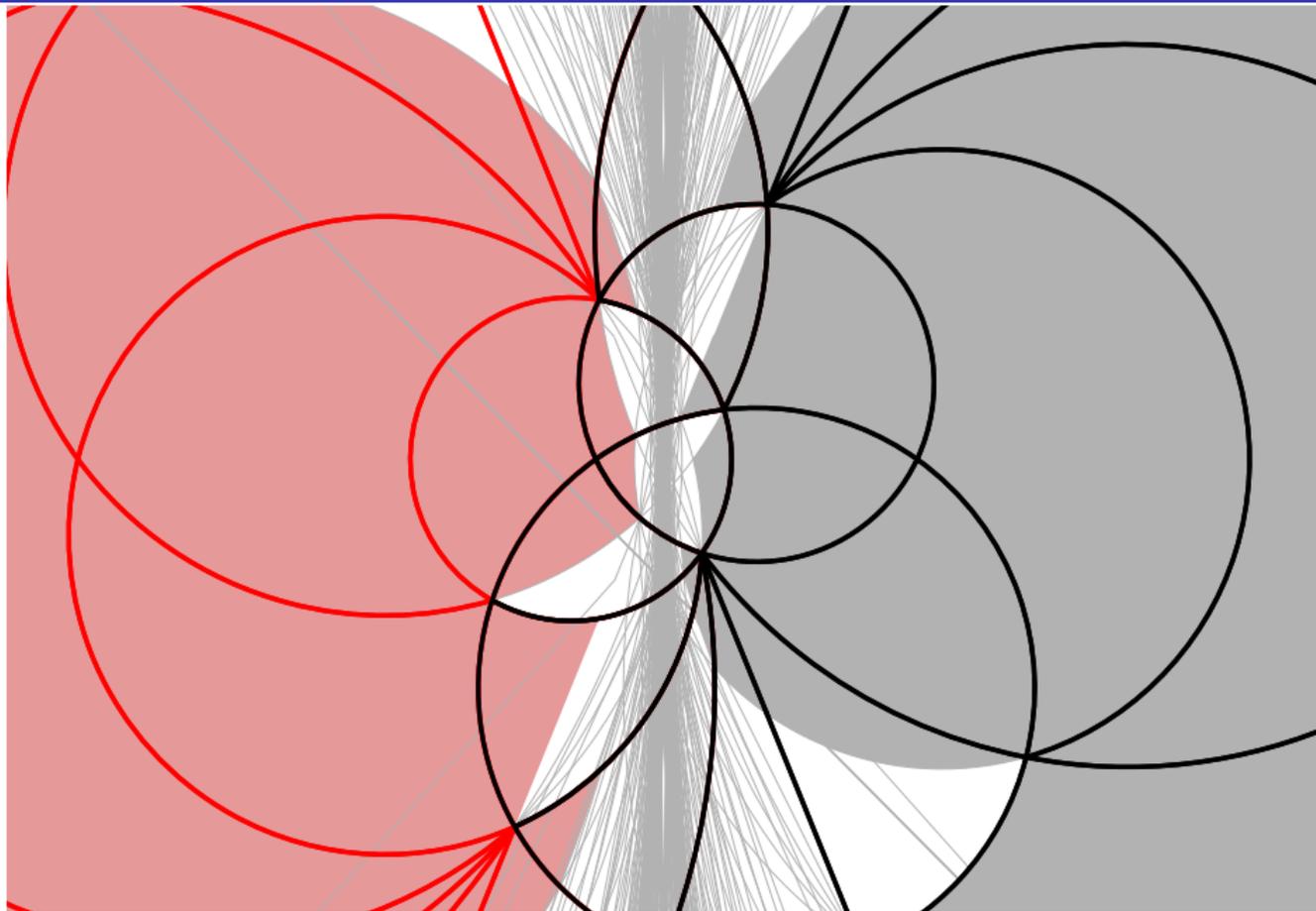
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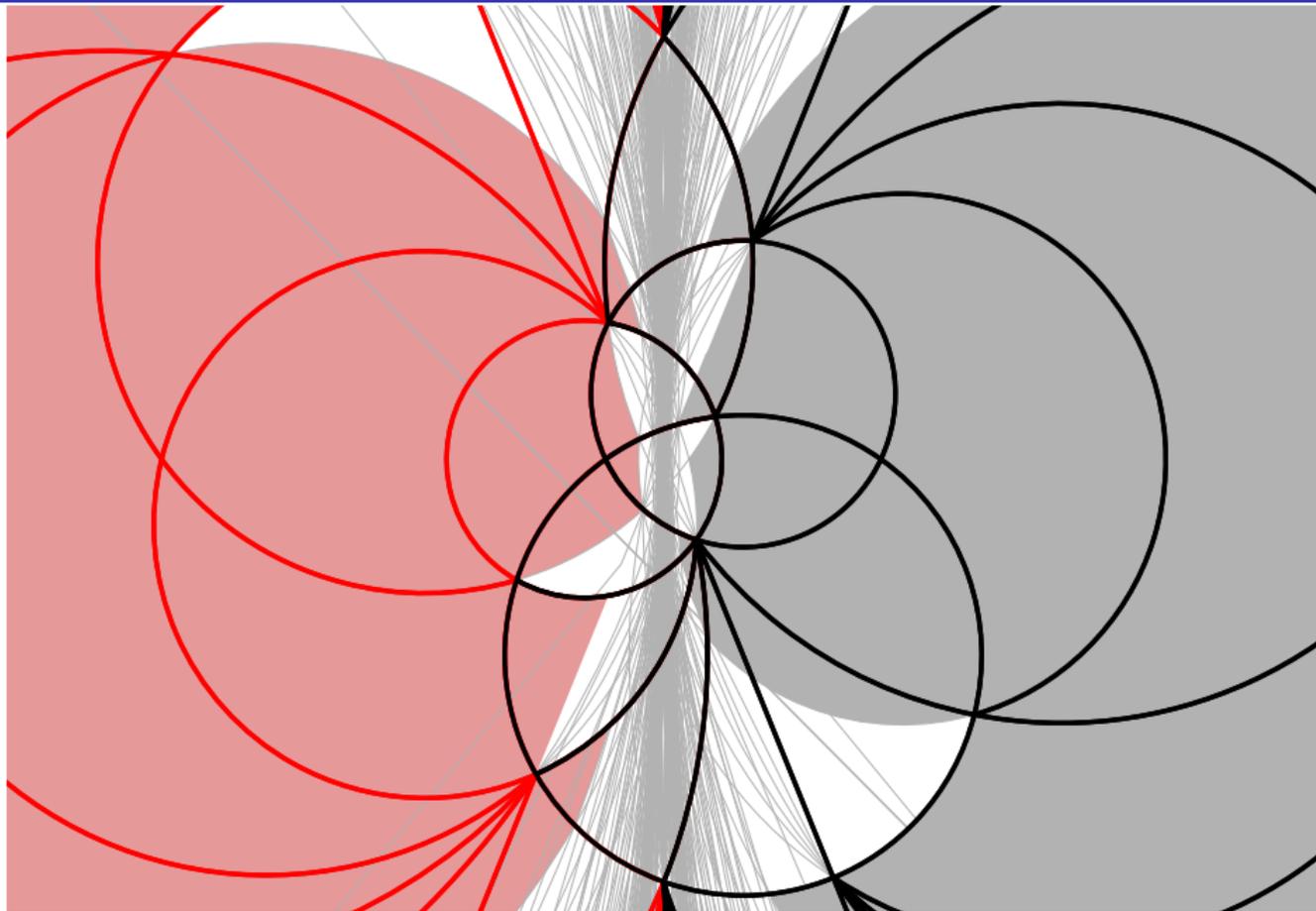
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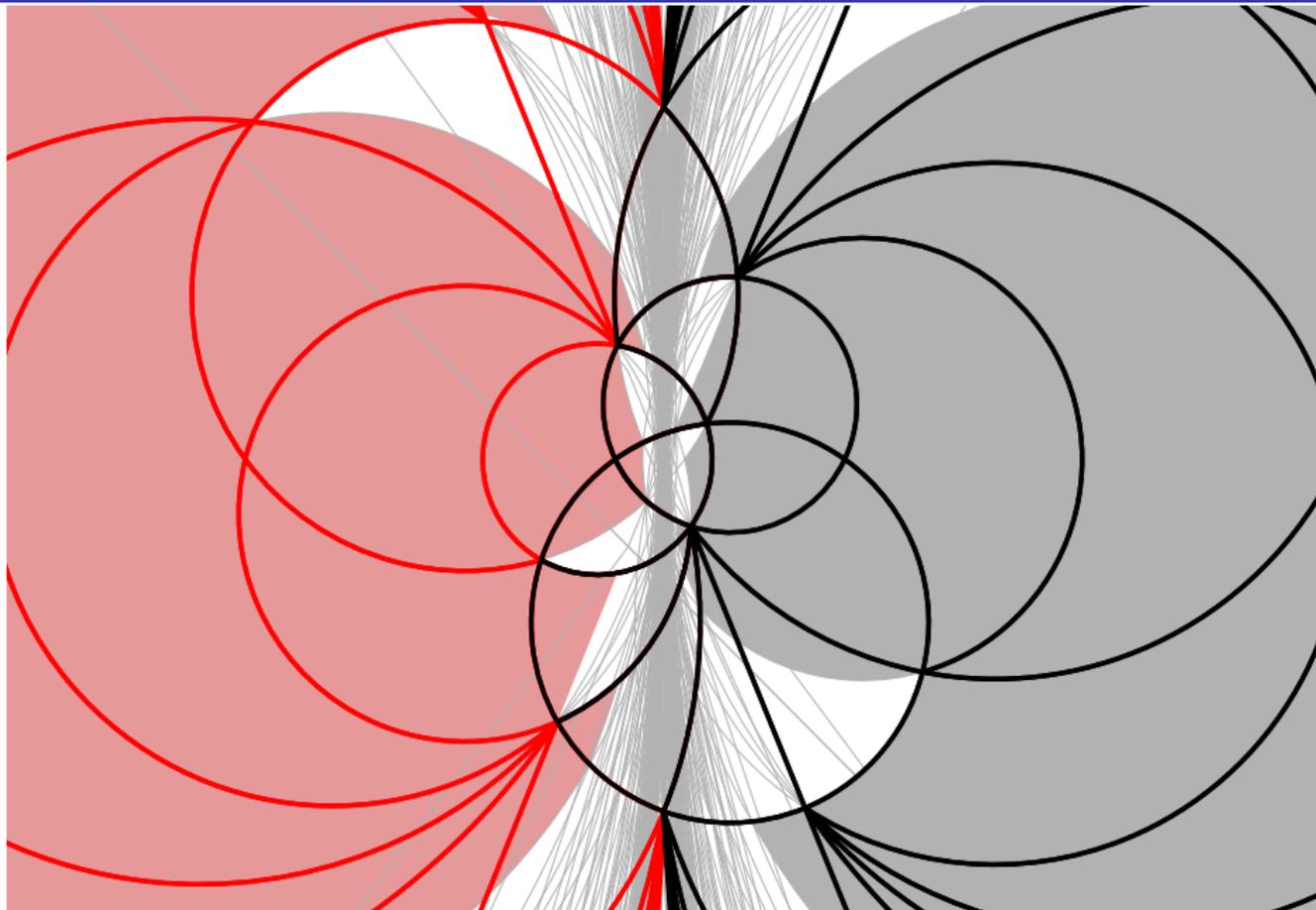
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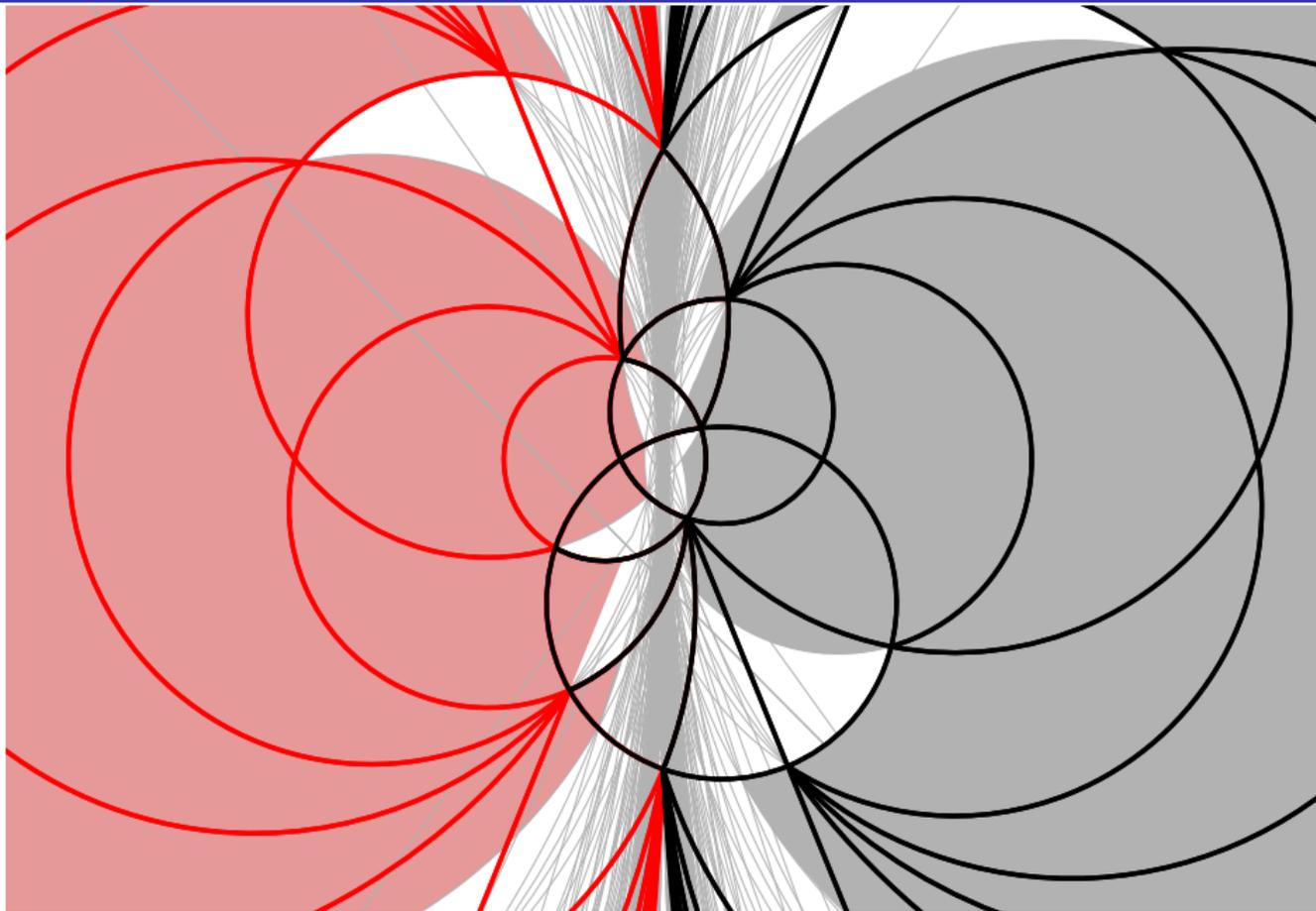
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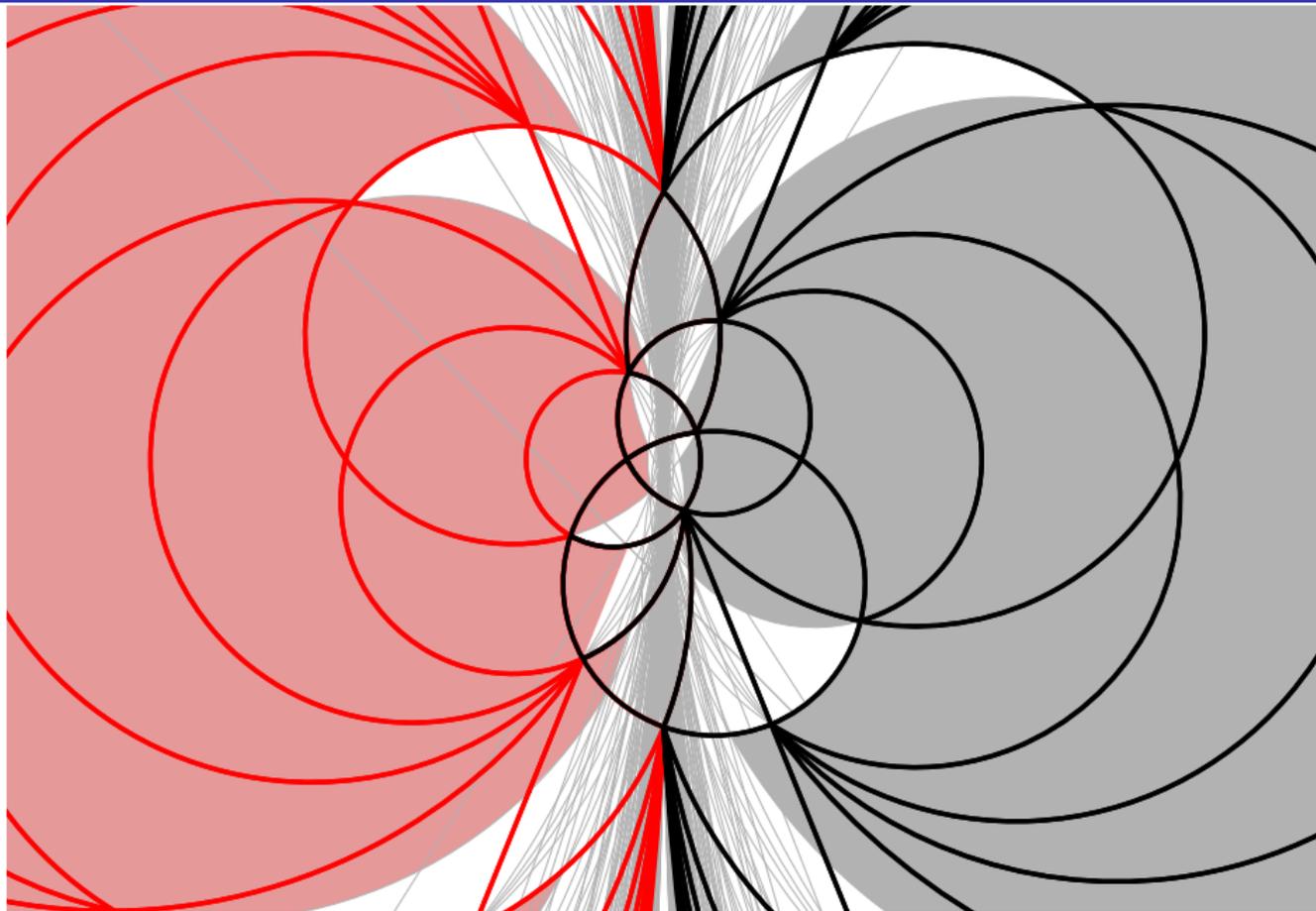
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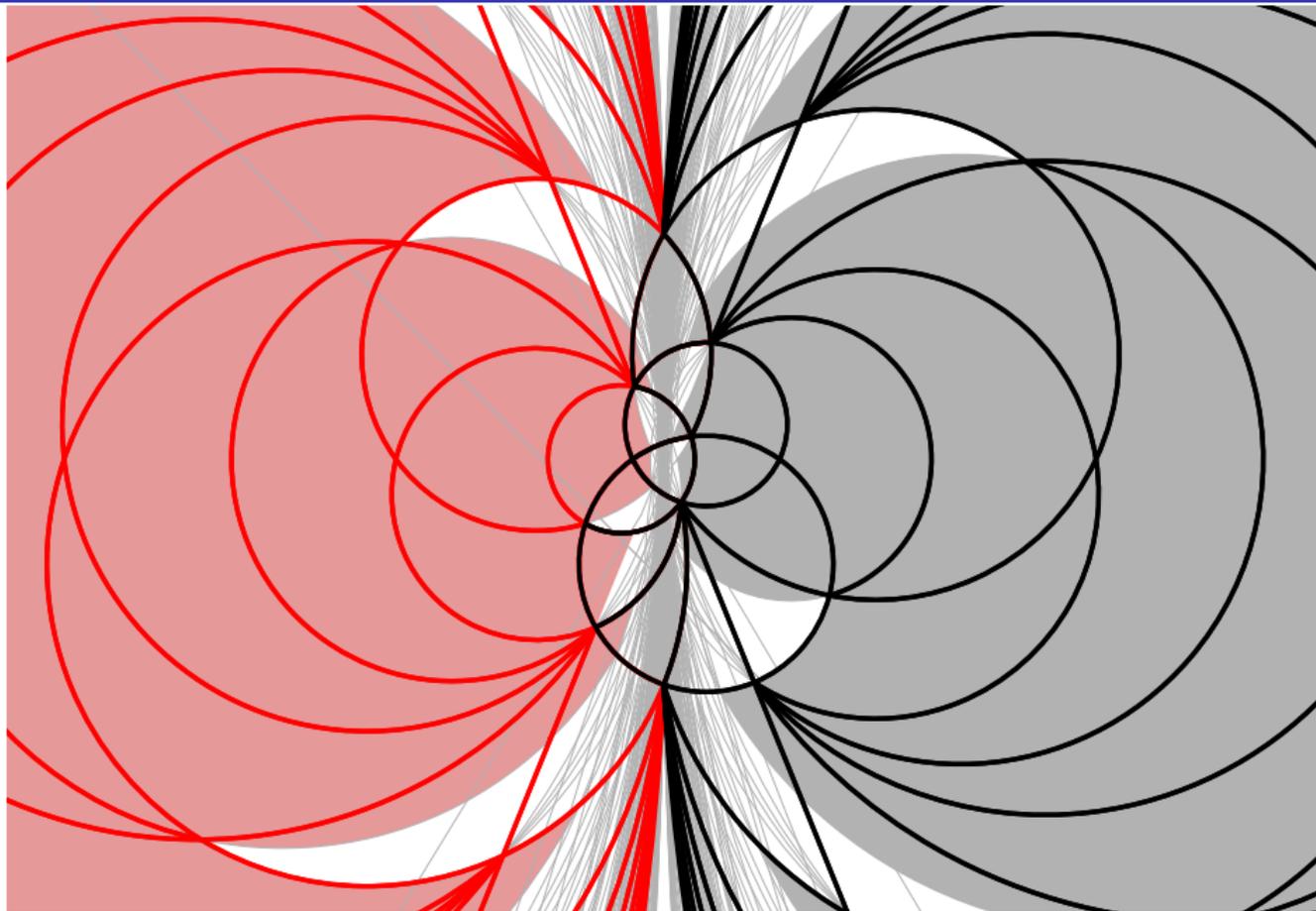
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Theta functions and return functions for the limiting ray

Take λ to be the shortest integer vector in the limiting ray. Here are some “Theorems in progress” (some with Stella):

- We give an explicit formula for ϑ_λ as a linear combination of three terms.
 - Two terms are of the form
(monomial in the y_i 's) \cdot (cluster variable)
 - One term is a product of cluster variables.
- For $k \geq 1$, $\vartheta_{k\lambda}$ is something like a Chebyshev polynomial in ϑ_λ .
- $$\text{ret}_\lambda = \frac{\vartheta_\lambda + \sqrt{\vartheta_\lambda^2 - 4\hat{y}^\delta x^{2\lambda}}}{2}.$$
- For a particular sequence $\dots, x_{-1}, x_0, x_1, \dots$ of cluster variables and a particular choice of exponents $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$\text{ret}_\lambda = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{i=1}^n x_{kn+i}^{a_i} = \lim_{k \rightarrow -\infty} \prod_{i=1}^n x_{kn+i}^{-a_i}.$$

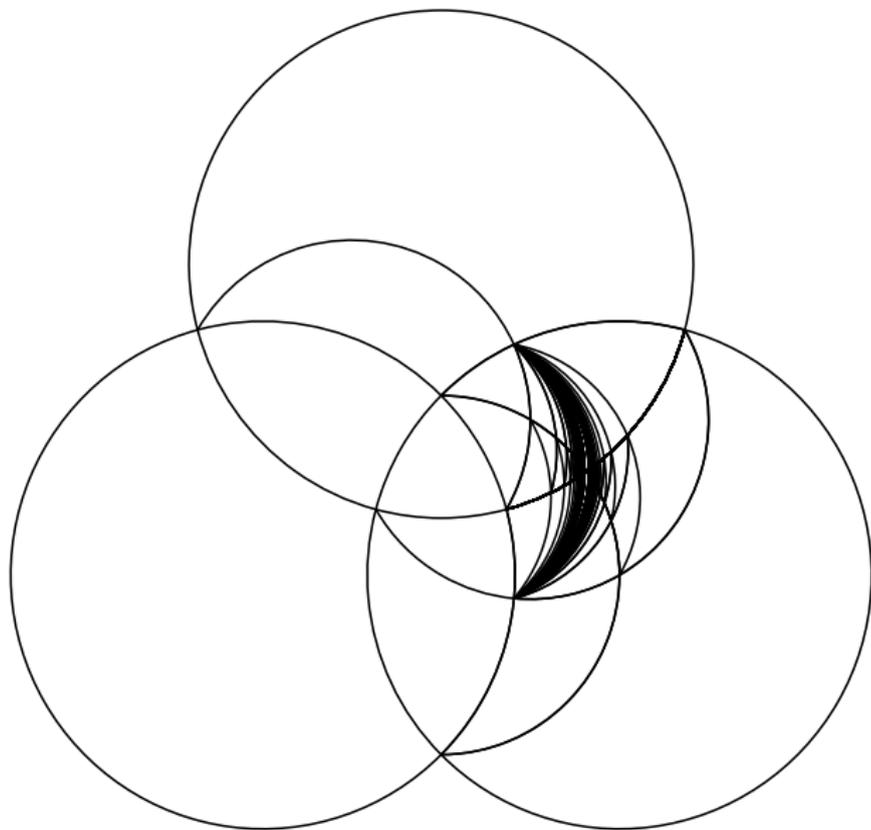
There is no (cluster-algebraically) intrinsic definition here. Rather, there is a model involving **triangulated surfaces** that covers many, but certainly not all, cluster algebras.

We start with an orientable surface, triangulated using n arcs. The vertices of the triangulation are called **marked points**.

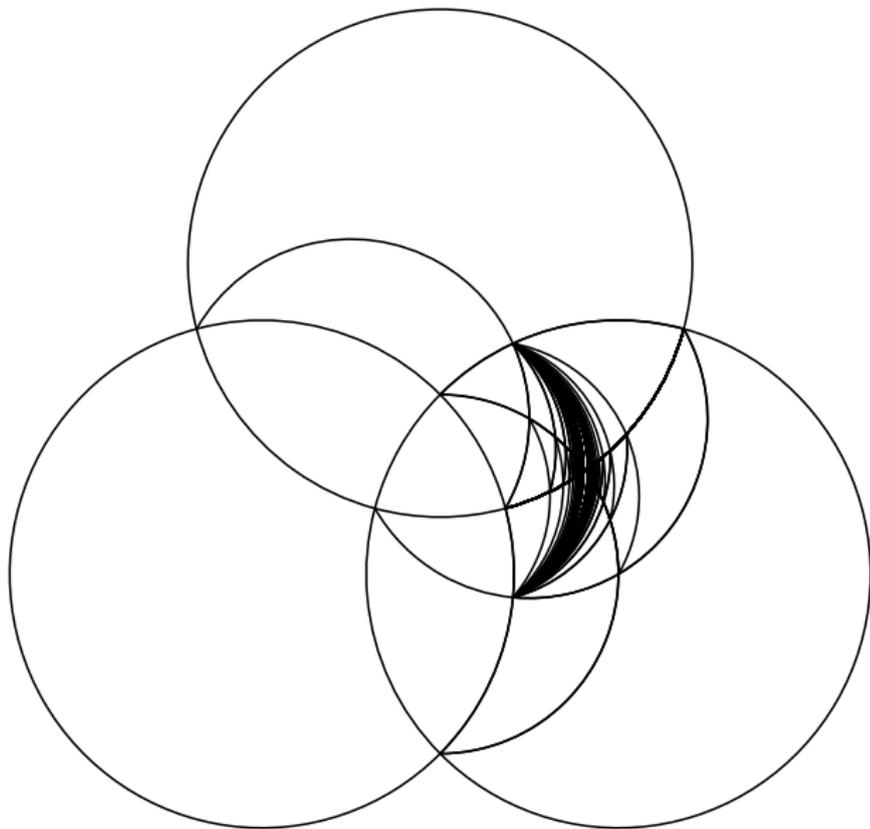
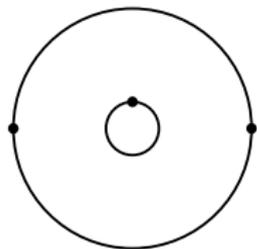
- Cluster variables correspond to non-self-intersecting arcs connecting marked points.
- Other theta functions correspond to non-self-intersecting closed curves.
- “Adjacency” of these functions is non-intersection.

Return functions ret_λ have not been studied here.

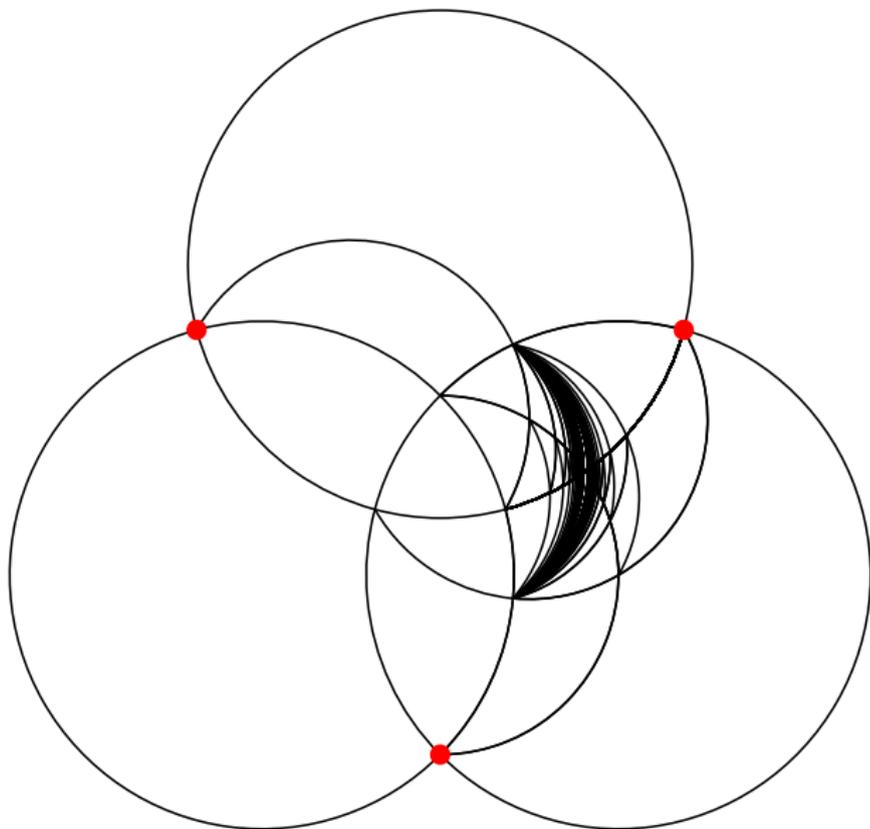
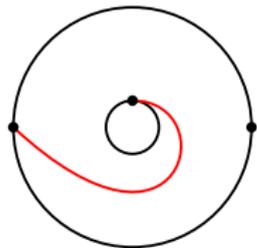
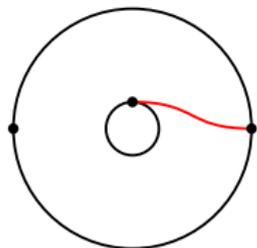
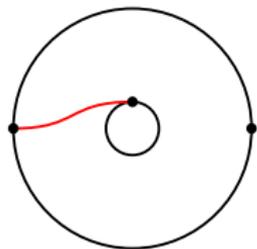
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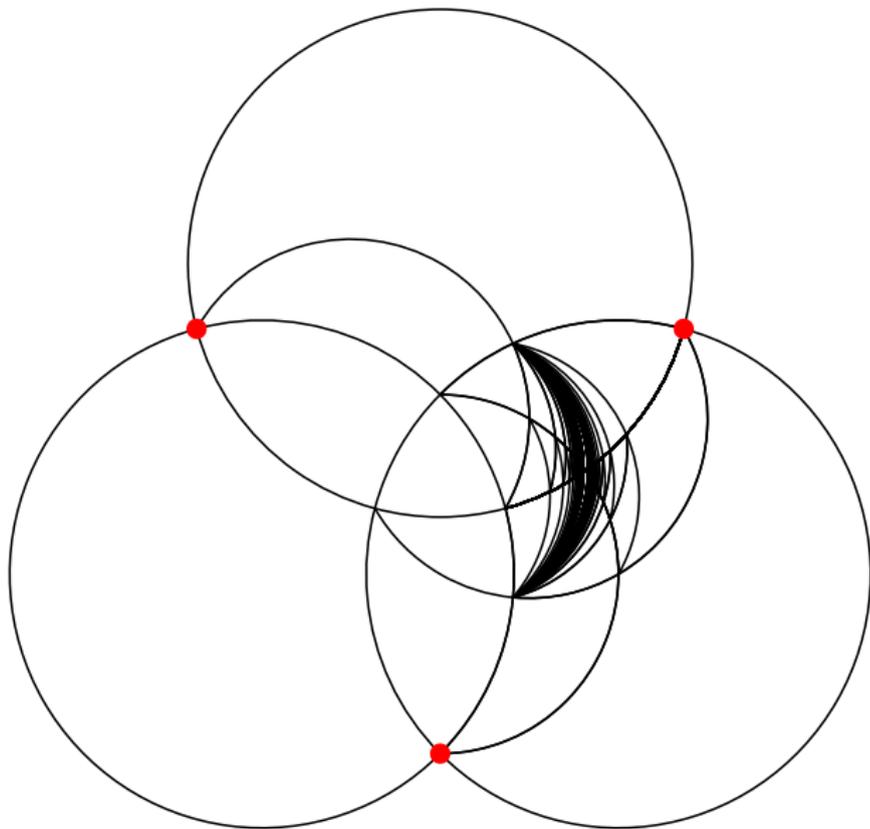
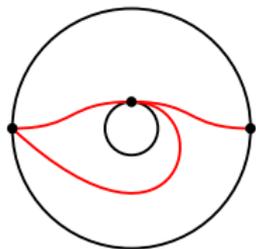
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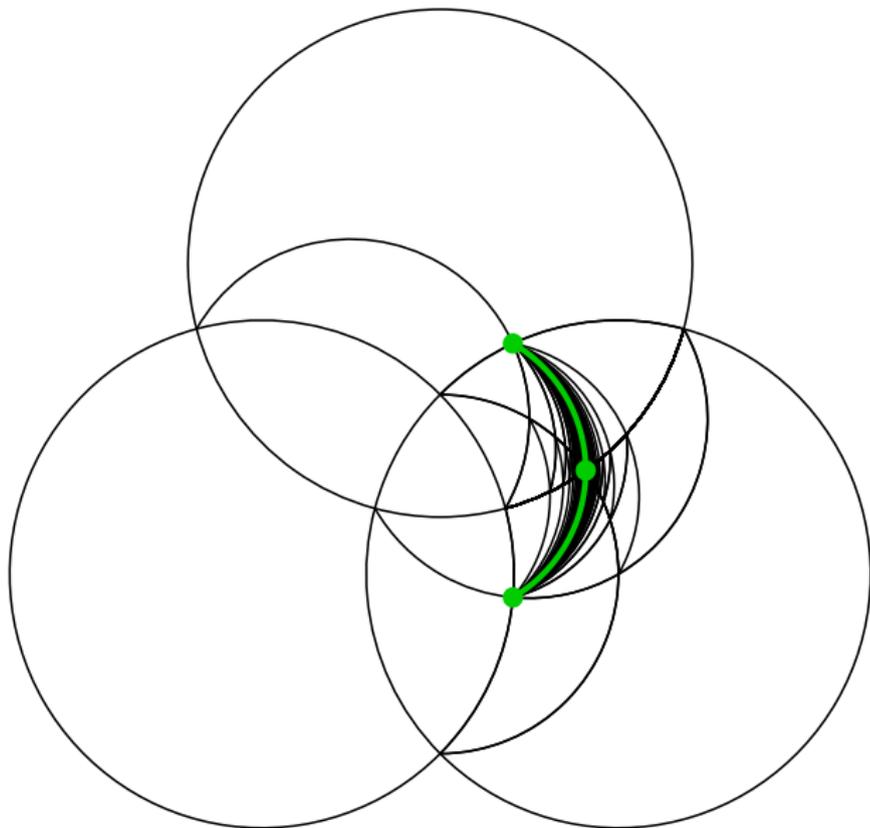
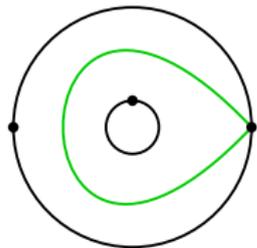
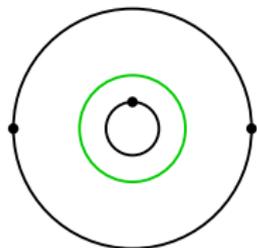
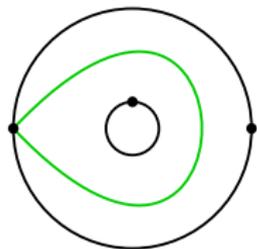
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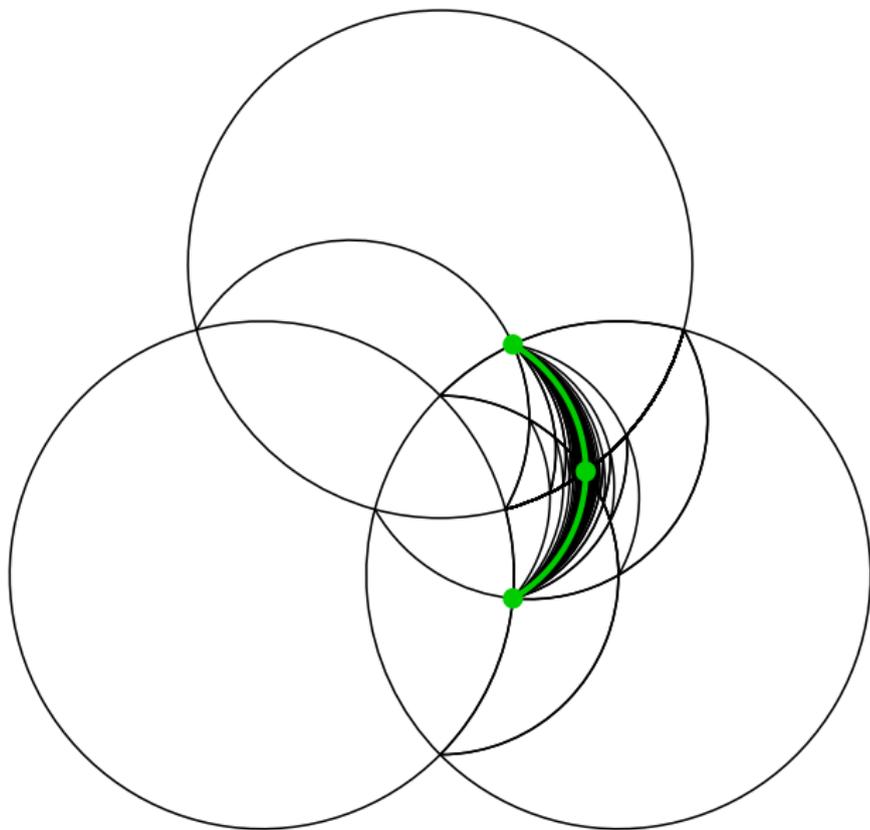
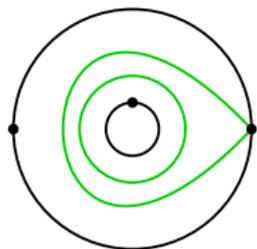
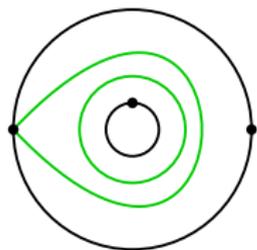
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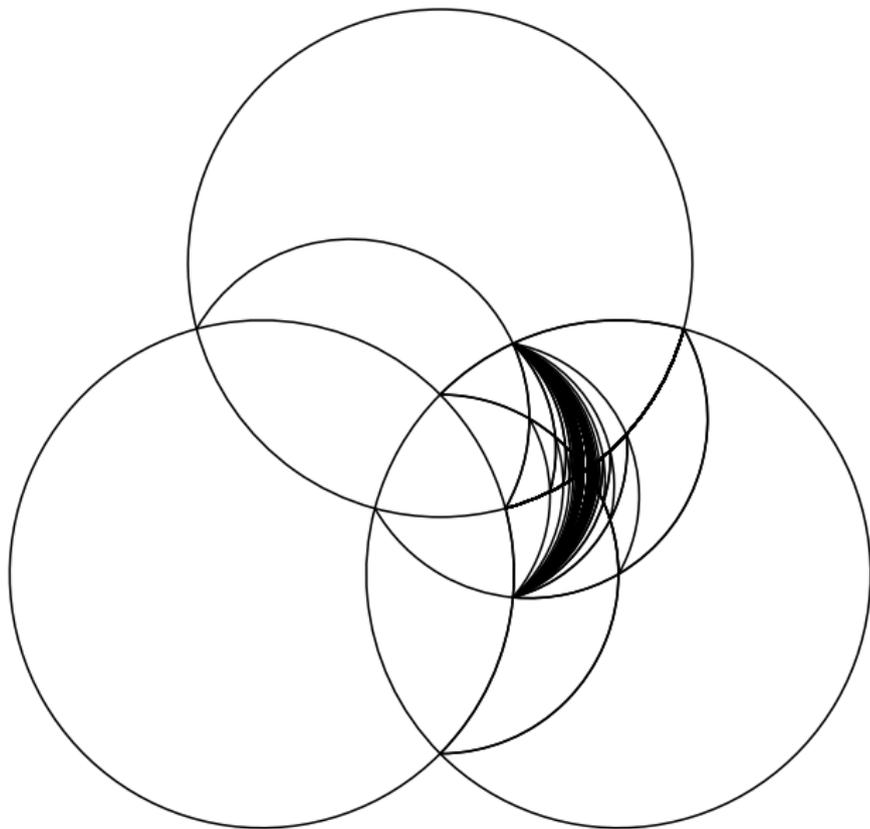
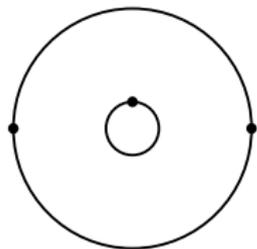
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I should probably mention

Plabic graphs

SL_3 webs

Section 4: Mutation

Mutation and mutation maps

Recall **matrix mutation** in direction k :

$B' = \mu_k(B)$ is:

$$b'_{ij} = \begin{cases} -b_{ij} & \text{if } k \in \{i, j\}; \\ b_{ij} + \text{sgn}(b_{kj})[b_{ik} b_{kj}]_+ & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

(Recall also $[a]_+$ means $\max(a, 0)$.)

For each B and each sequence \mathbf{k} of indices, there is a **mutation map** $\eta_{\mathbf{k}}^B$, which takes a vector \mathbf{a} , places it below B as a new row, does mutations in indices \mathbf{k} , and reads off the new last row.

Mutation symmetry

Key fact: The mutation map $\eta_{\mathbf{k}}^{B^T}$ is an isomorphism from the cluster scattering fan for B to the cluster scattering fan for $\mu_{\mathbf{k}}(B)$. (With a little more work, you can pull along cluster scattering *diagrams*, broken lines, and theta functions.)

A **mutation symmetry** of B is a sequence \mathbf{k} of indices such that $\mu_{\mathbf{k}}(B) = B$.

Upshot: If \mathbf{k} is a mutation symmetry, then $\eta_{\mathbf{k}}^{B^T}$ is an **automorphism** of the cluster scattering fan/diagram for B .

In some sense, the Key Fact is due to GHKK, but their mutation definition hides mutation symmetry. (Do a mutation symmetry their way, and you need a linear map to get back to the cluster scattering fan of B .)

Greg Muller was first to mutate scattering diagrams this way. Stella and I wrote down this mutation of theta functions.

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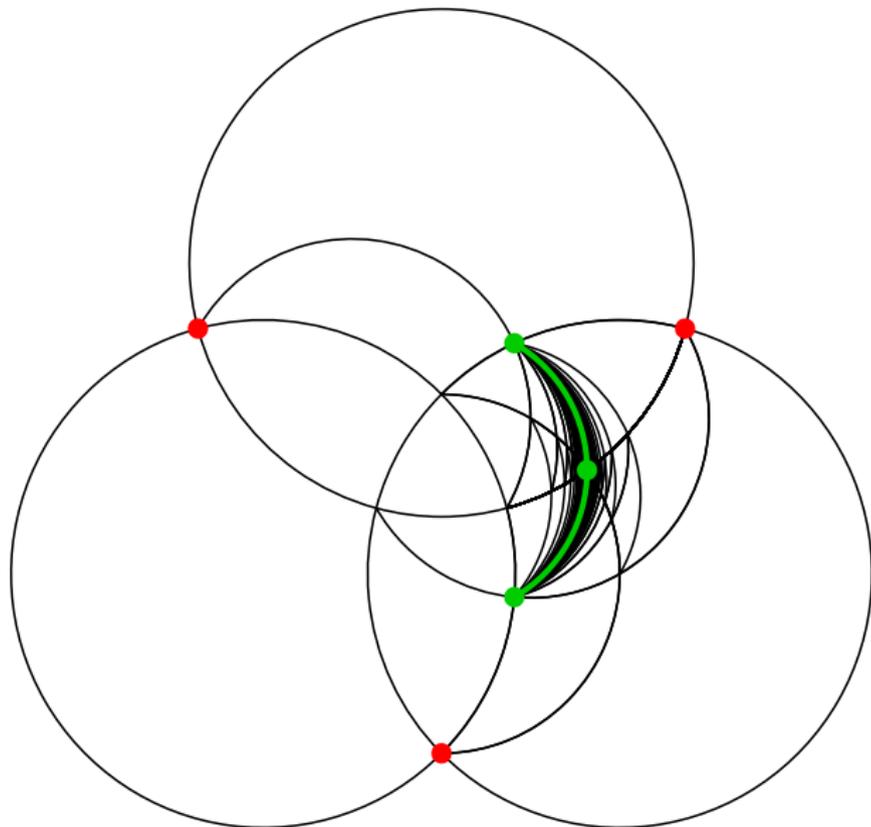
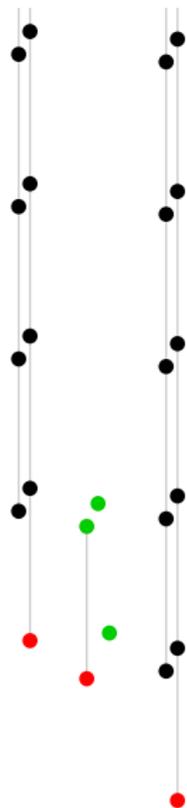
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Let's look at an example.

Affine scattering fan example (again)



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Proof idea. Hypotheses imply that $\vartheta_\lambda \cdot \vartheta_\nu$ has a **unique** expression as a **finite** linear combination of theta functions:

$$\vartheta_\lambda \cdot \vartheta_\nu = \sum_{\tau \in T} c_\tau \vartheta_\tau.$$

A detailed description of mutation of theta functions + the fact that λ is in a finite $\eta_{\mathbf{k}}^{B^T}$ -orbit implies that $(\eta_{\mathbf{k}}^{B^T})^\ell(\vartheta_\lambda)$ is ϑ_λ times a monomial in the “coefficients”, for some ℓ . Same for ν .

So: Applying the right power of $\eta_{\mathbf{k}}^{B^T}$ fixes $\vartheta_\lambda \cdot \vartheta_\nu$ (up to a coefficient). Therefore it fixes every theta-function that appears in $\sum_{\tau \in T} c_\tau \vartheta_\tau$. □ Proof idea

Thank you for listening.

Scattering fans (R. 2020).

A combinatorial approach to scattering diagrams (R. 2020).

An affine almost positive roots model (R., Stella 2020).

Cluster scattering diagrams of acyclic affine type (R, Stella 2022).

Cambrian frameworks for cluster algebras of affine type
(R., Speyer 2018).

...and more to come soon (some with Stella).