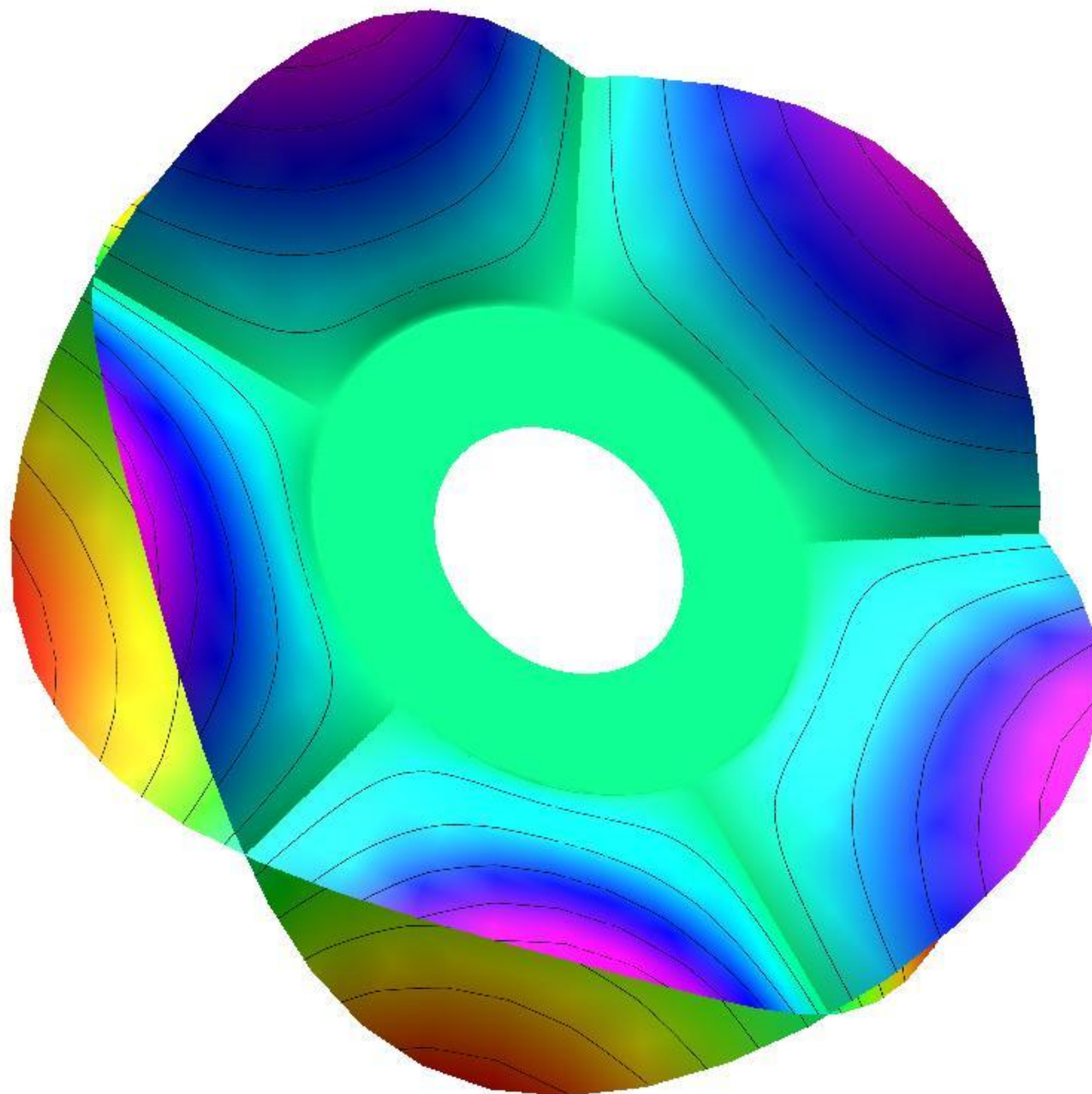


# Wild character varieties, meromorphic Hitchin systems and Dynkin diagrams



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(new parts are joint with  
D. Yamakawa and/or R. Paluba)



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- Hitchin 1987: complex character var.s are hyperkahler
  - Biquard - B. '01: wild
- }  $\rightsquigarrow$  they admit special Lagrangian fibrations



# The Lax project

Try to classify integrable systems with nice properties

- finite dimensional complex algebraic  
completely integrable Hamiltonian system  $(M, \chi)$
- admits a <sup>good</sup><sub>1</sub> Lax representation (any genus)

upto isomorphism (isogeny, deformation, ...)

Then look at different representations of each one



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E.g. Look at isospectral deformations of rational matrix

$$A(z)$$

$$\chi = \det(A(z) - \lambda) \quad \leadsto \text{spectral curve}$$

$$\mathcal{M}^* = \{ A \mid \text{orbits of polar parts fixed} \} / G \quad \text{symplectic}$$

- lots of examples of such integrable systems

Jacobi, Garnier, ....



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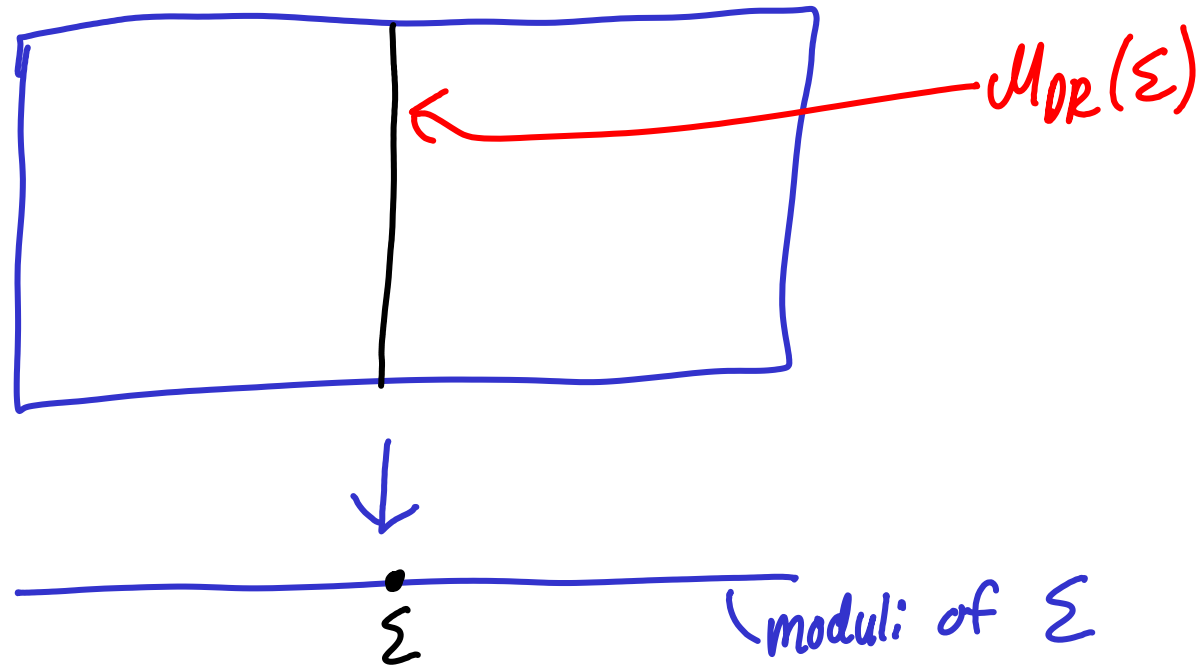
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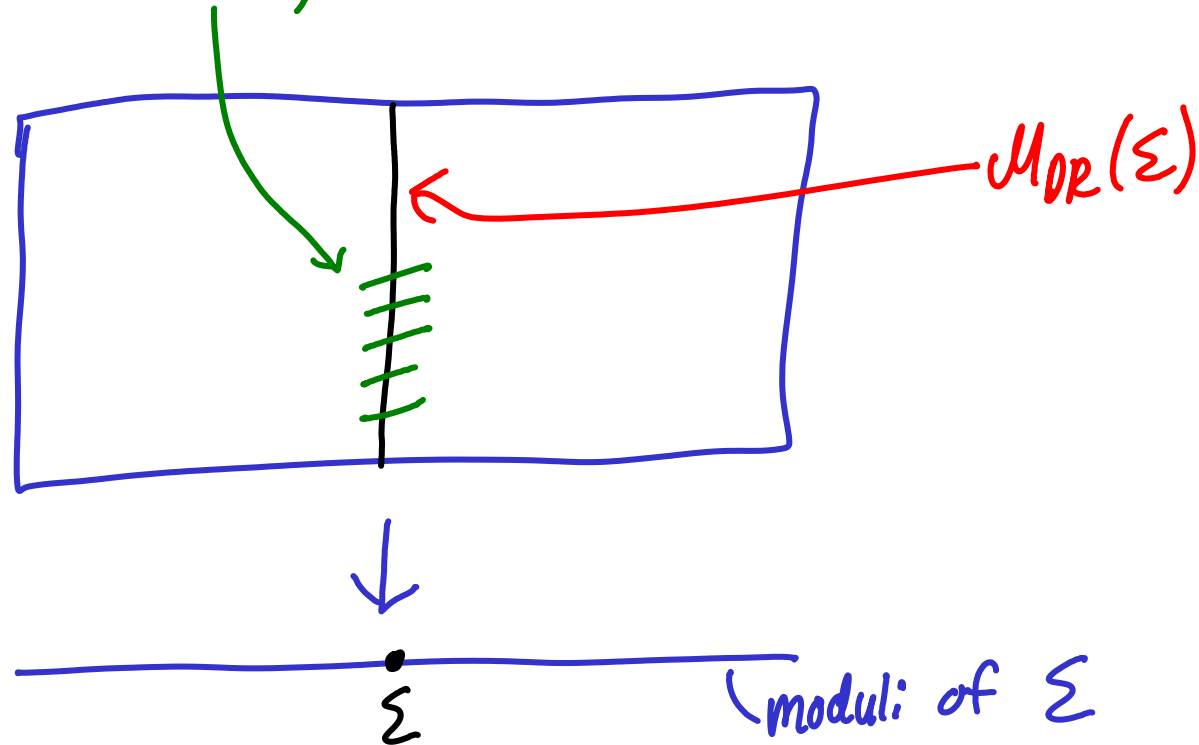


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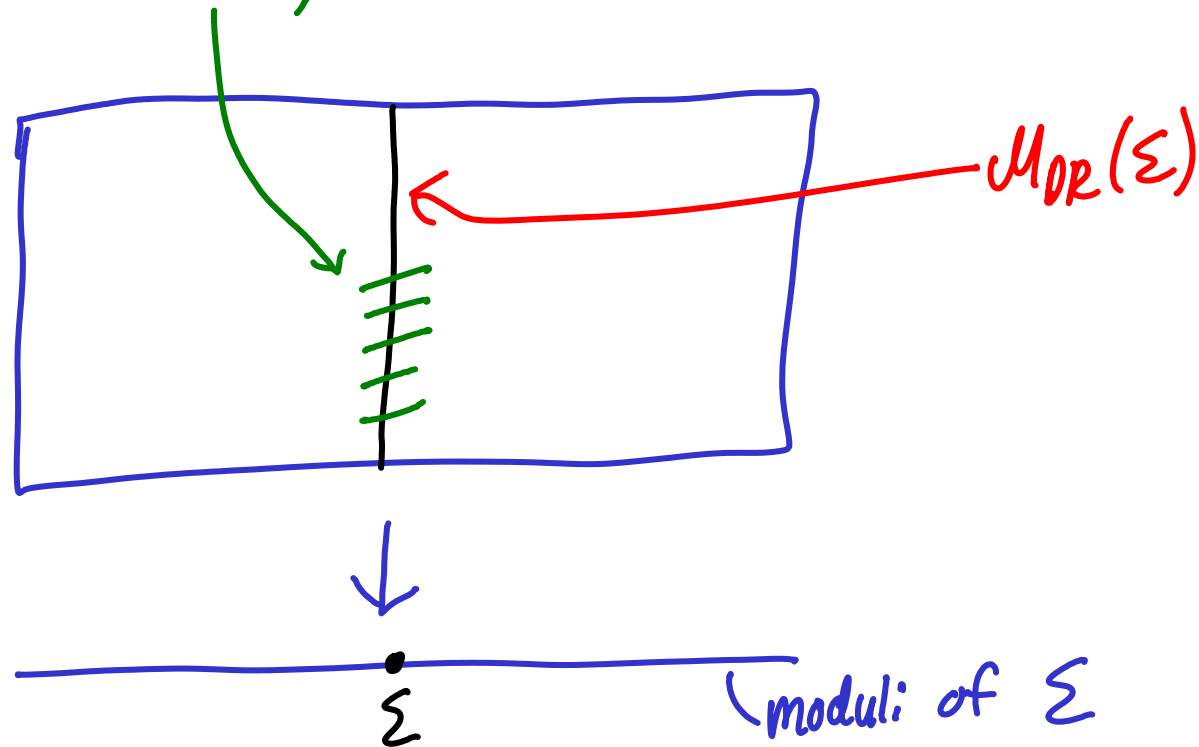


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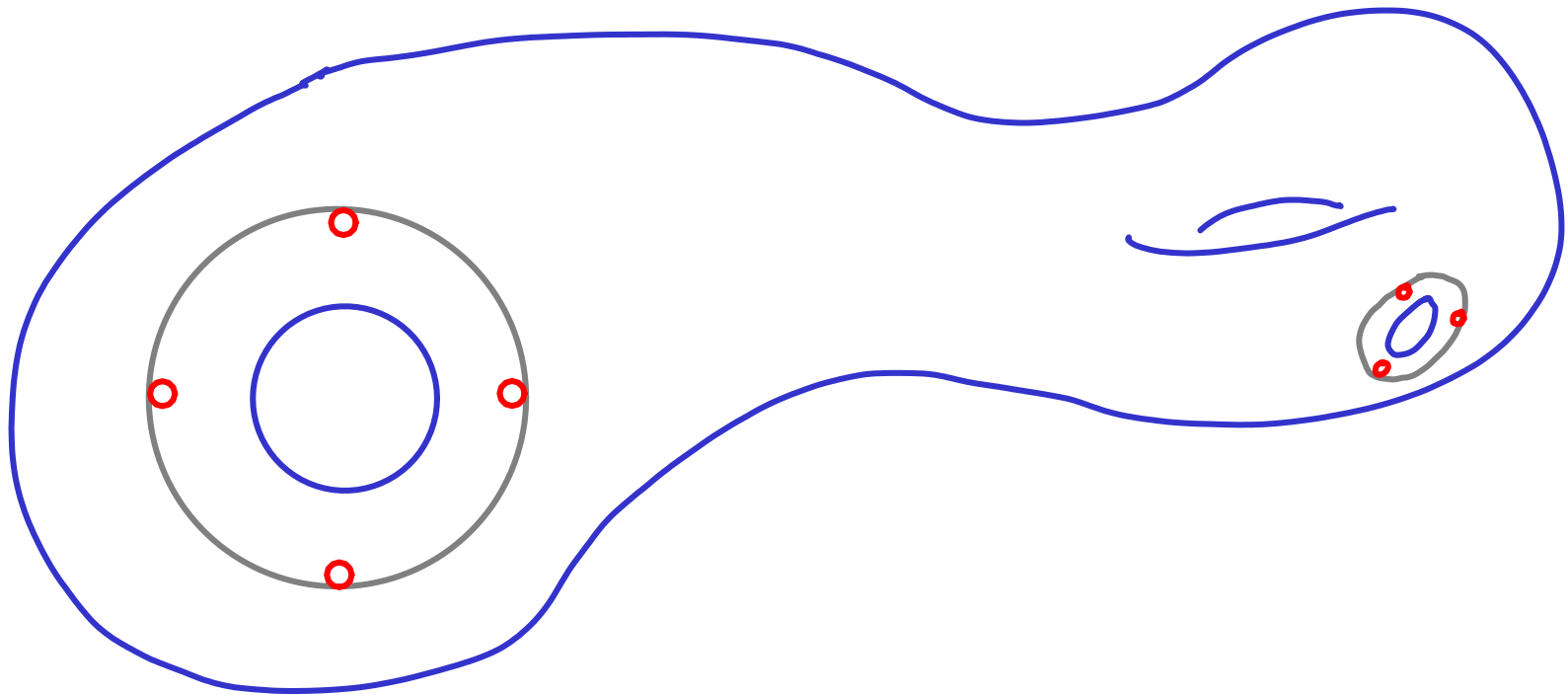
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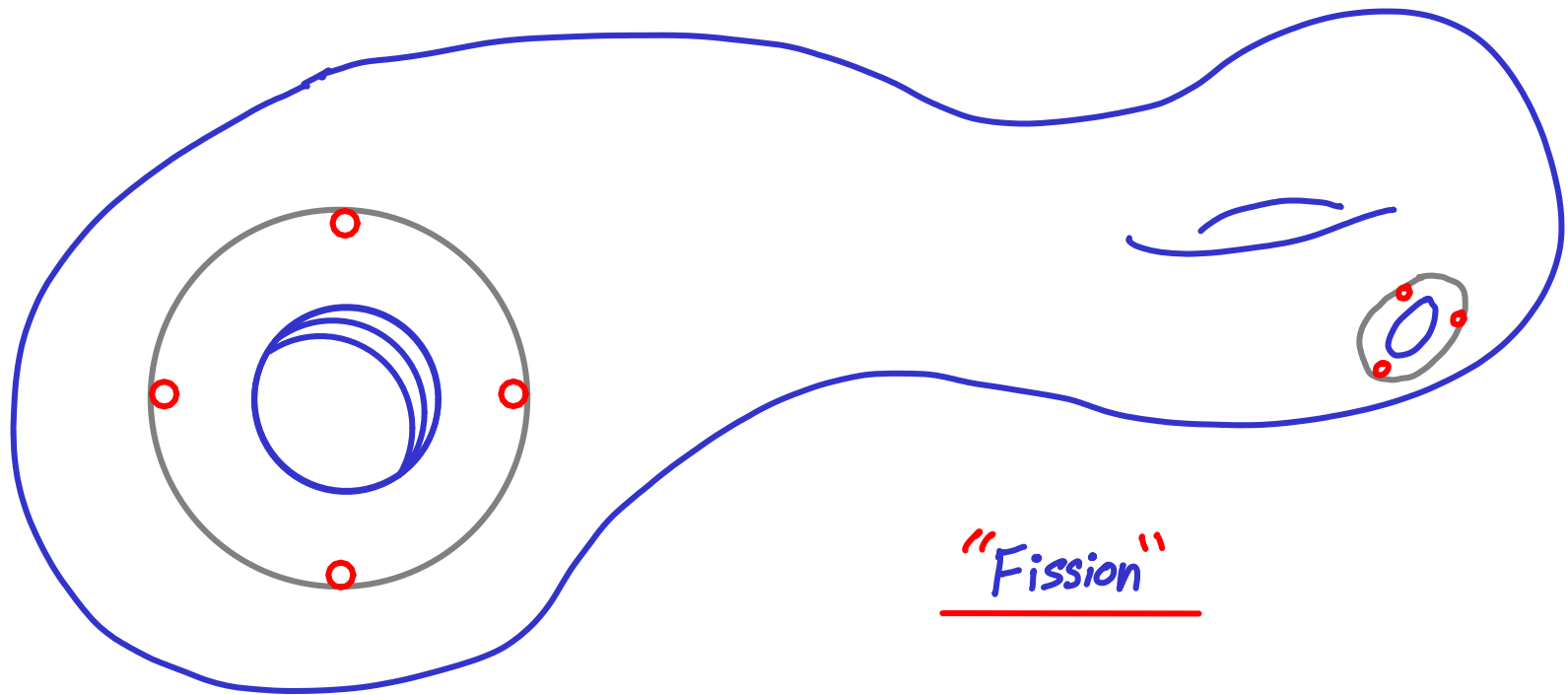
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Atiyah, Harnad  
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$G_2$  representation of Painlevé VI (B.-Paluba, JAG '16)



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(New hyperkahler 4-manifold, via Biquard-B. '01)



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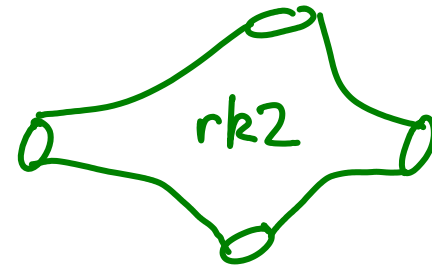
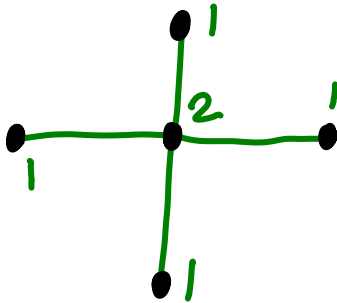
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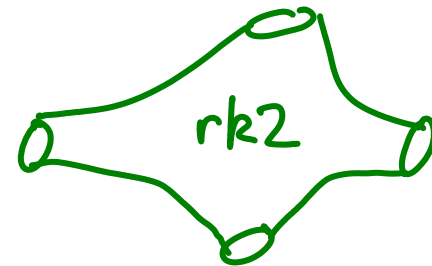
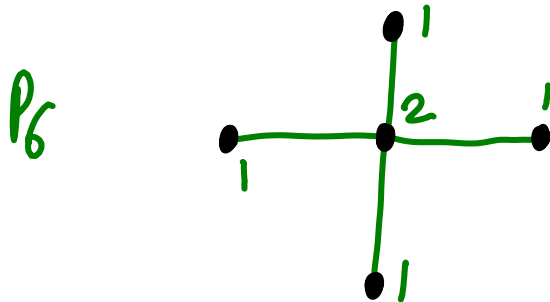
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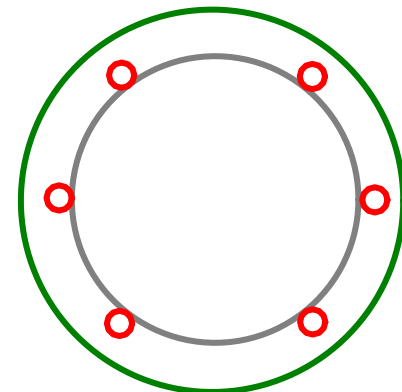
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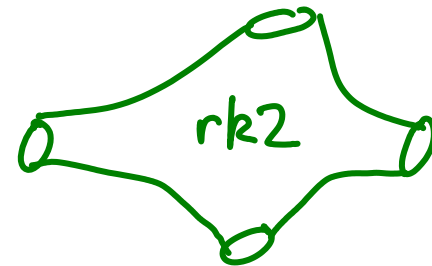
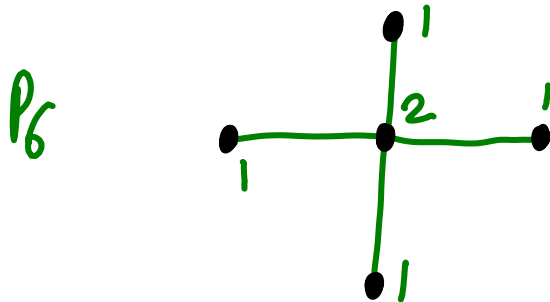


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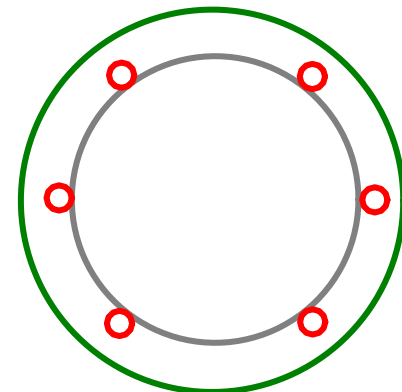
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 (Ex. 3, 0706.2634)





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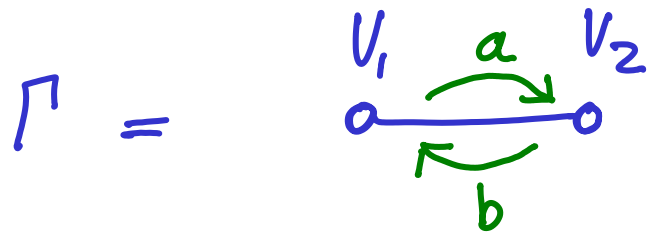
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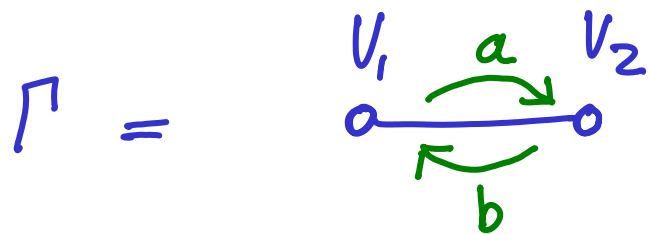
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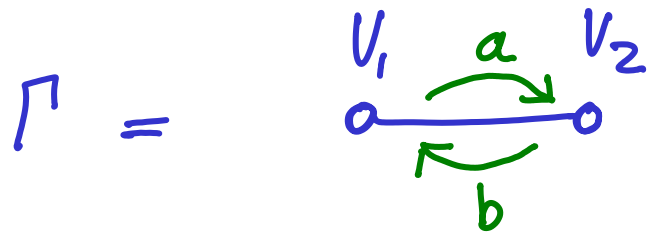
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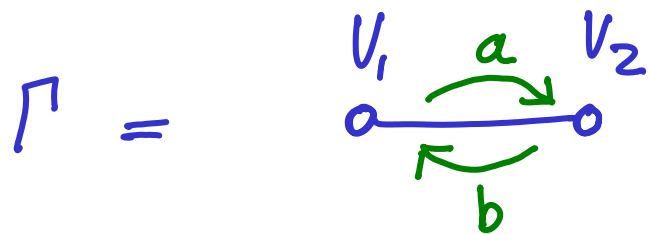
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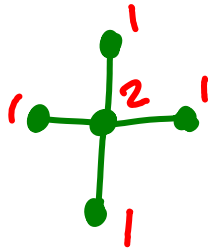
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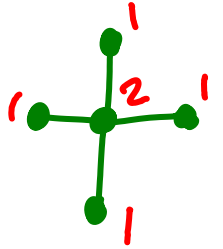
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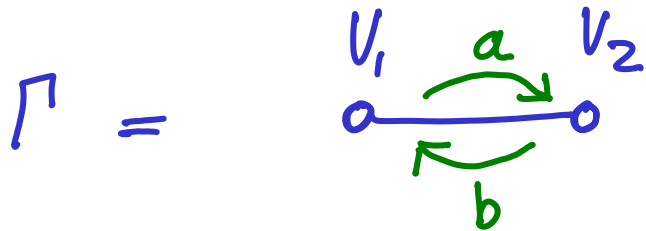
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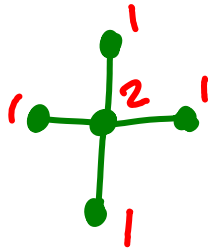
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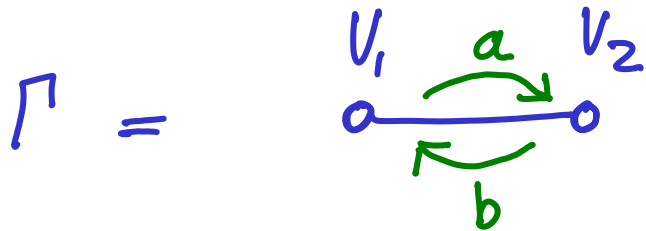
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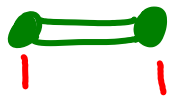
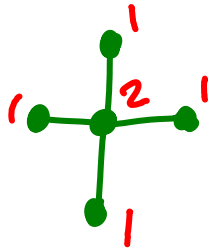
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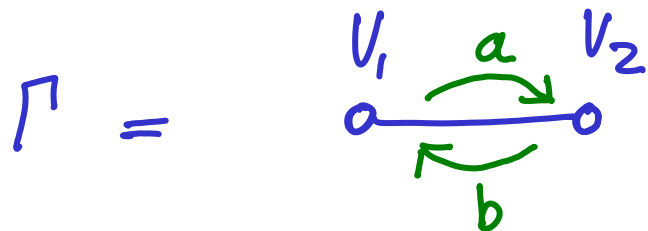
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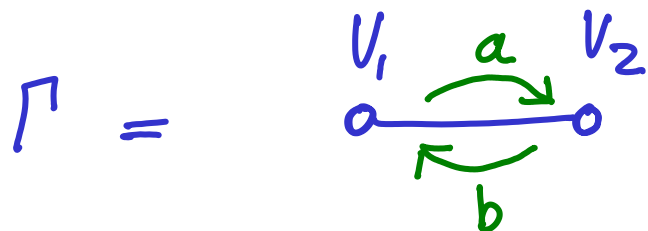
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"Euler's continuant polynomials"





G. G. Stokes 1857

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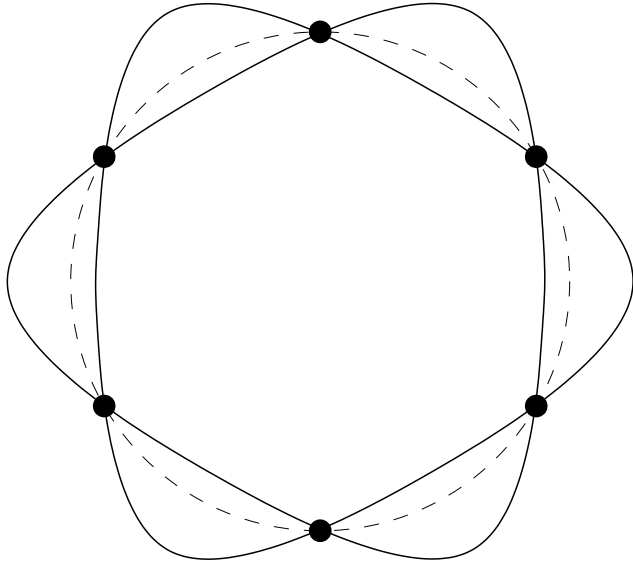
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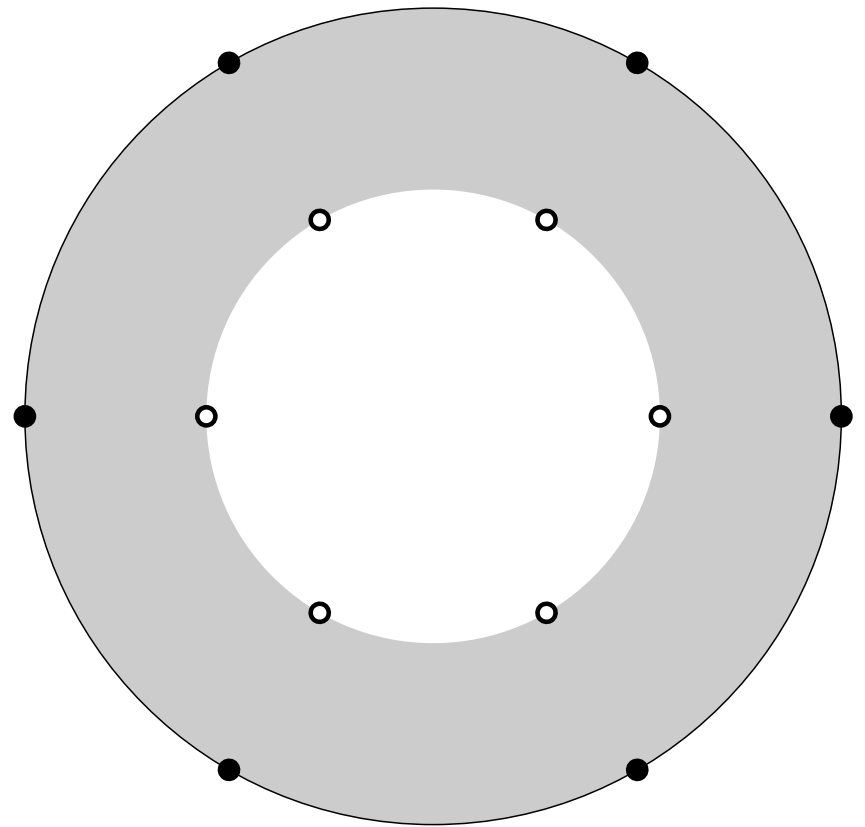


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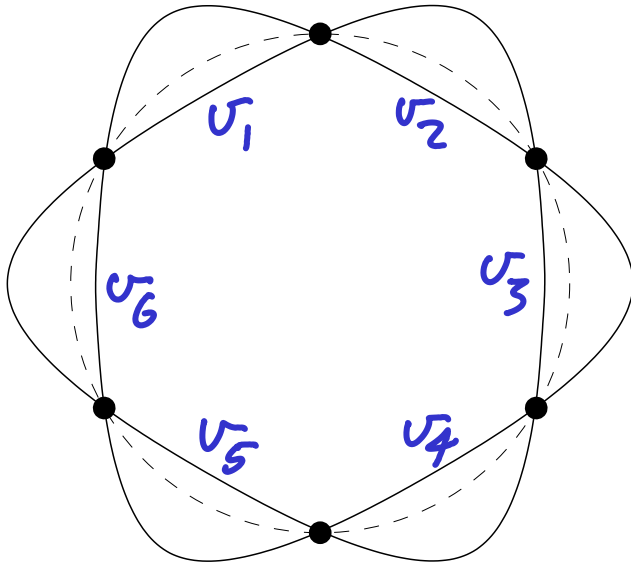


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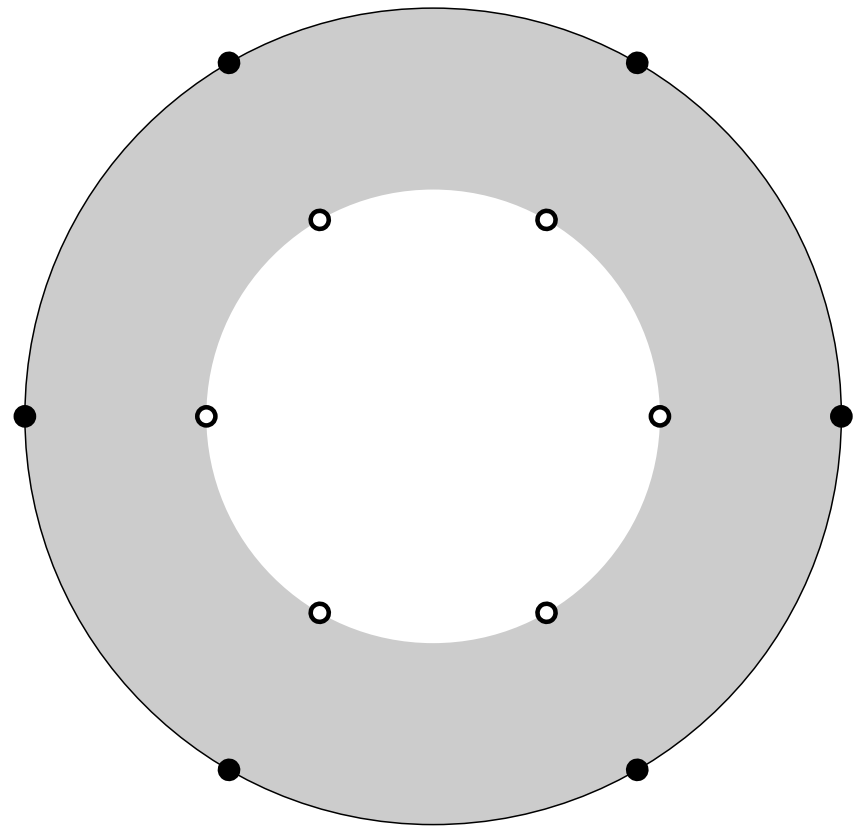
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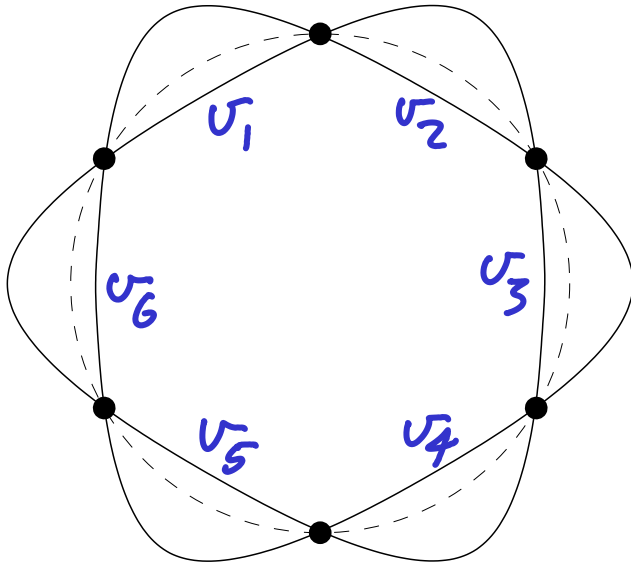


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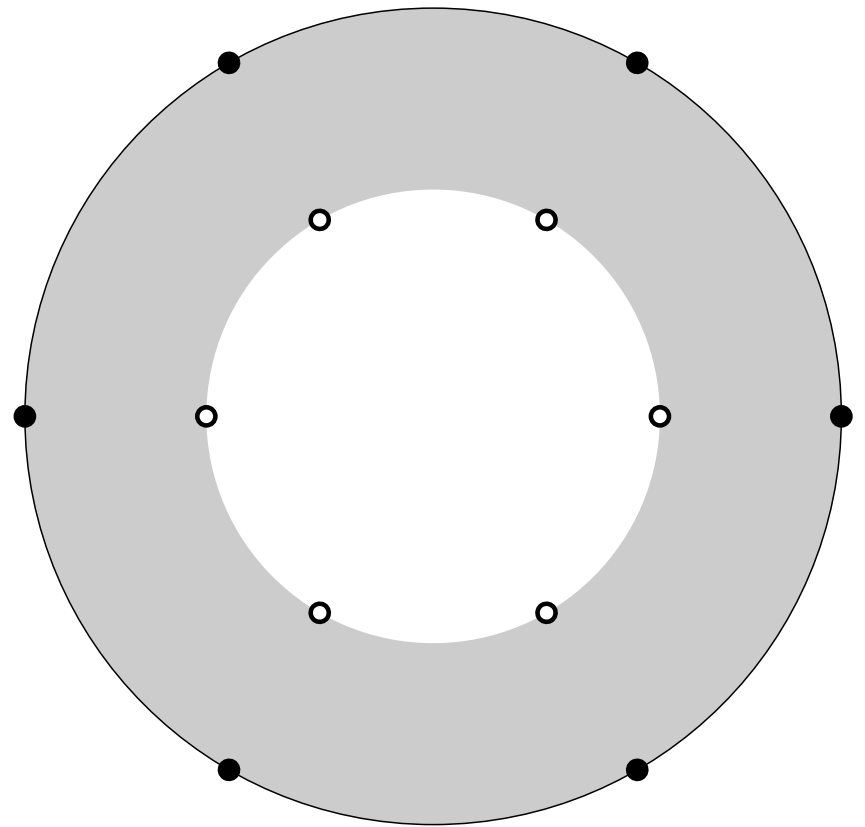


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- in general include parabolic extensions/weights  $\Theta$

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② good if v. good after some pullback  $z = t^r$

$$\begin{cases} Q \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{C}) \\ \lambda(z) \frac{dz}{z} \text{ } \Theta\text{-logarithmic} \\ \Theta \in \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{R}} \end{cases}$$



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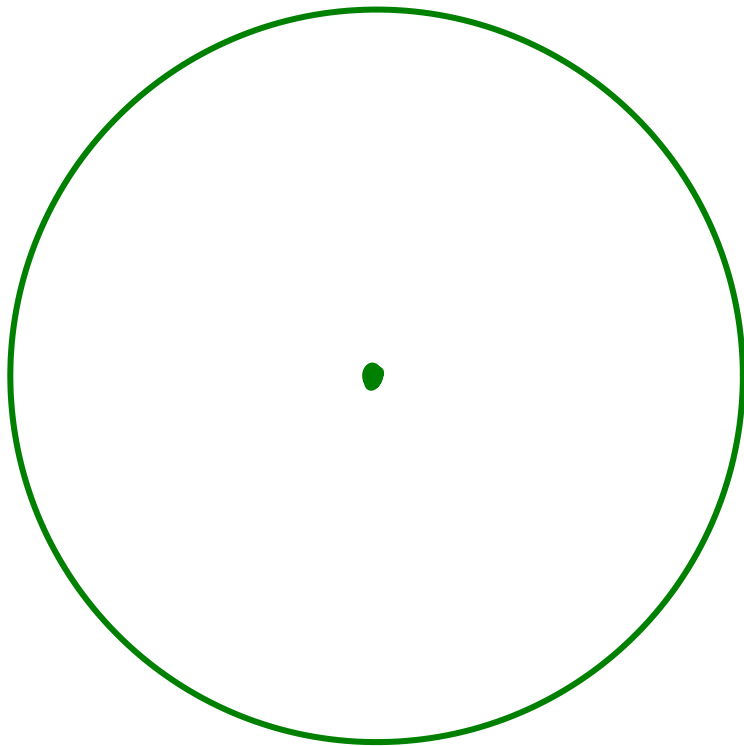


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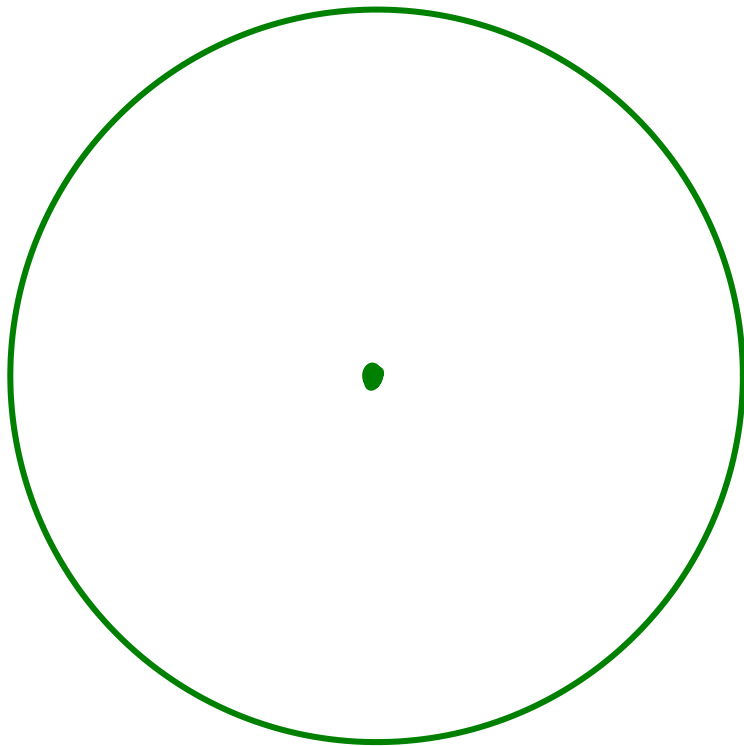


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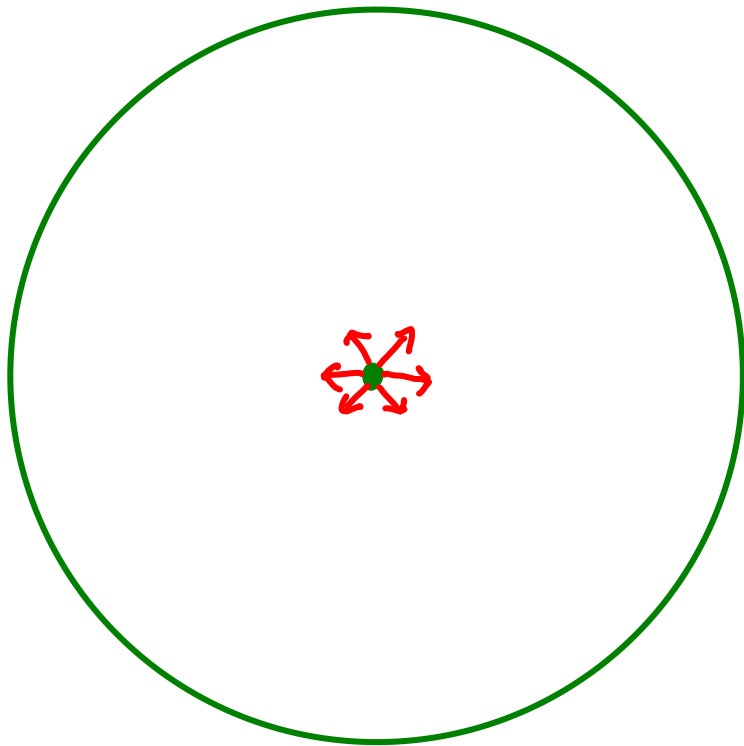


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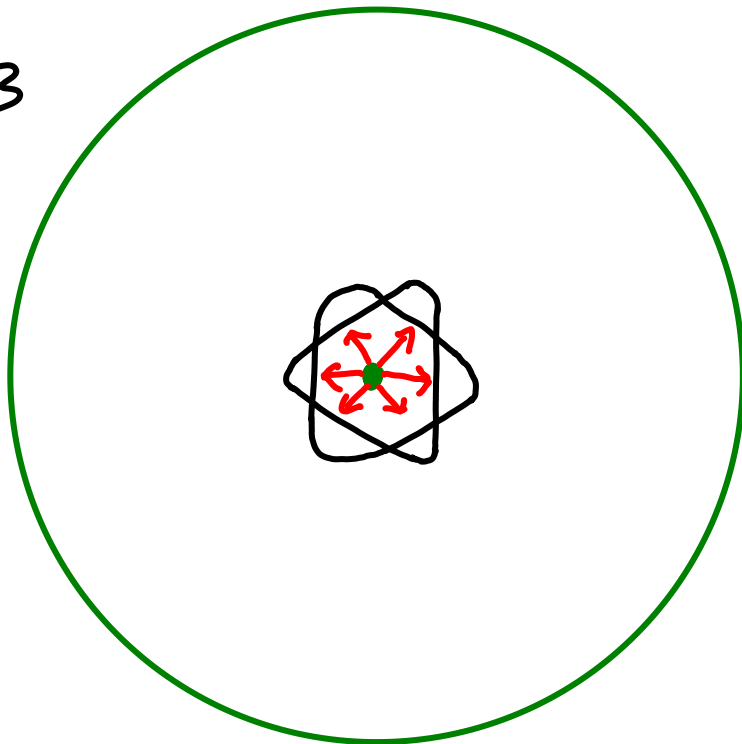
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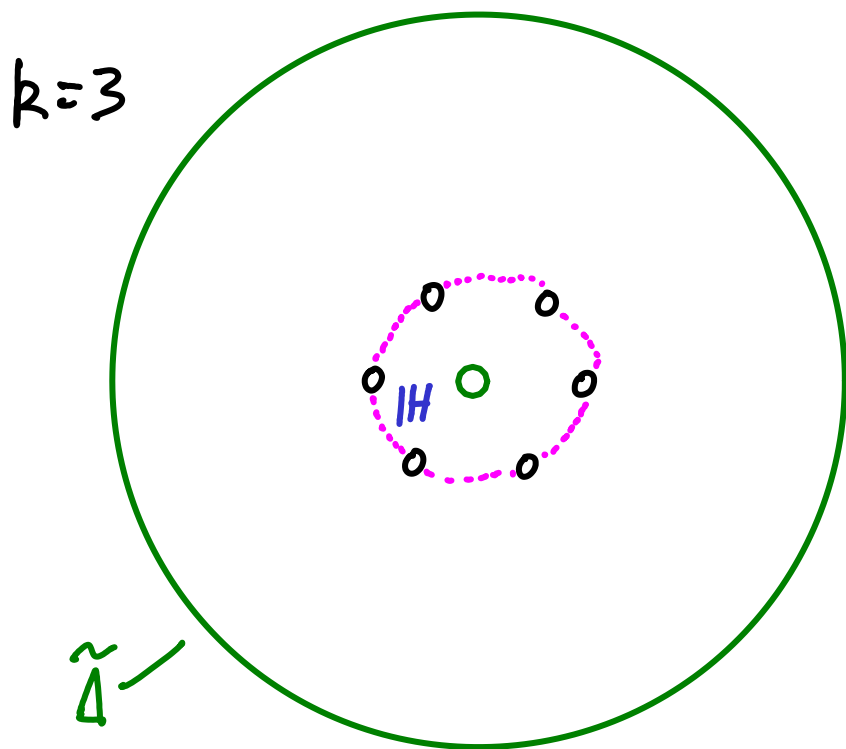
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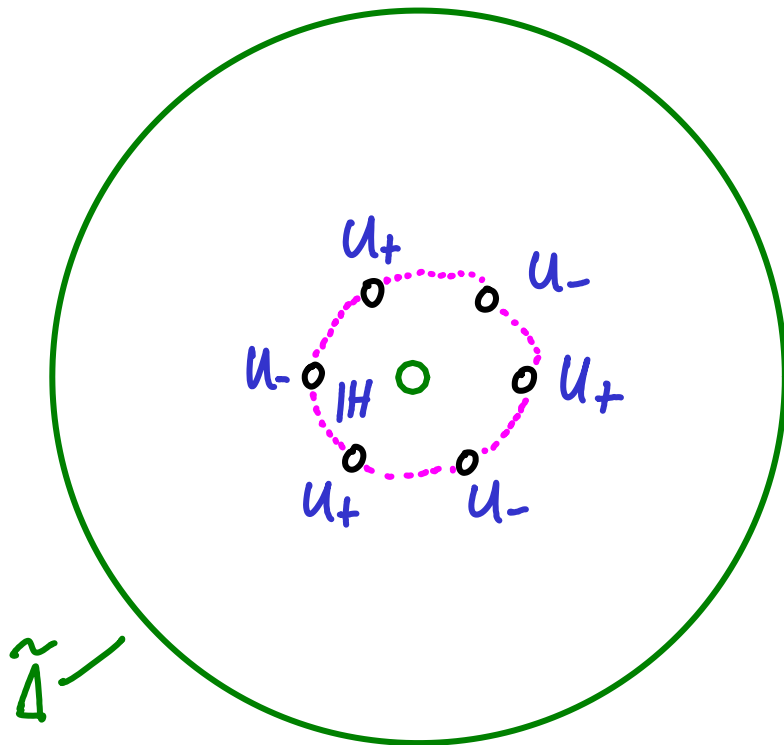
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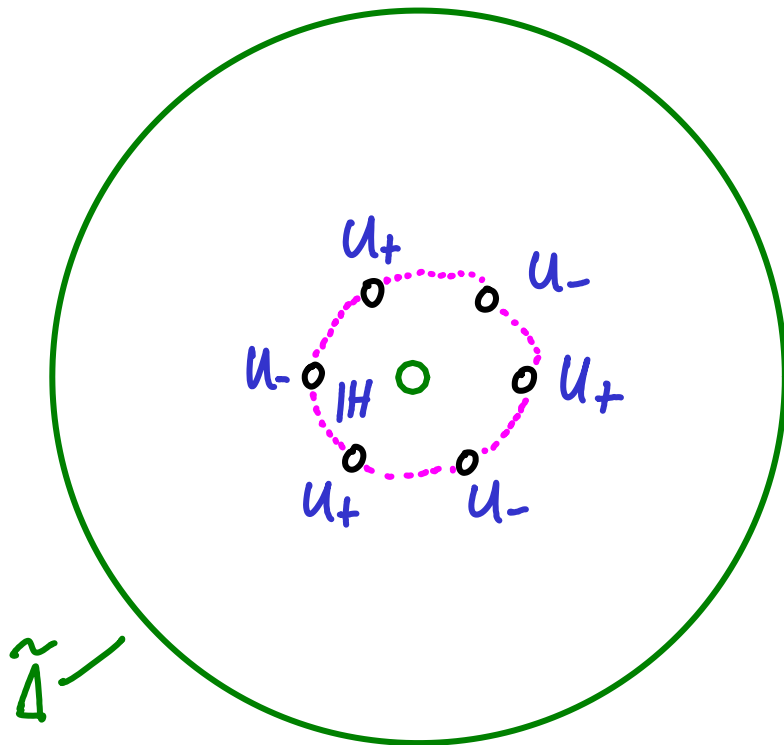
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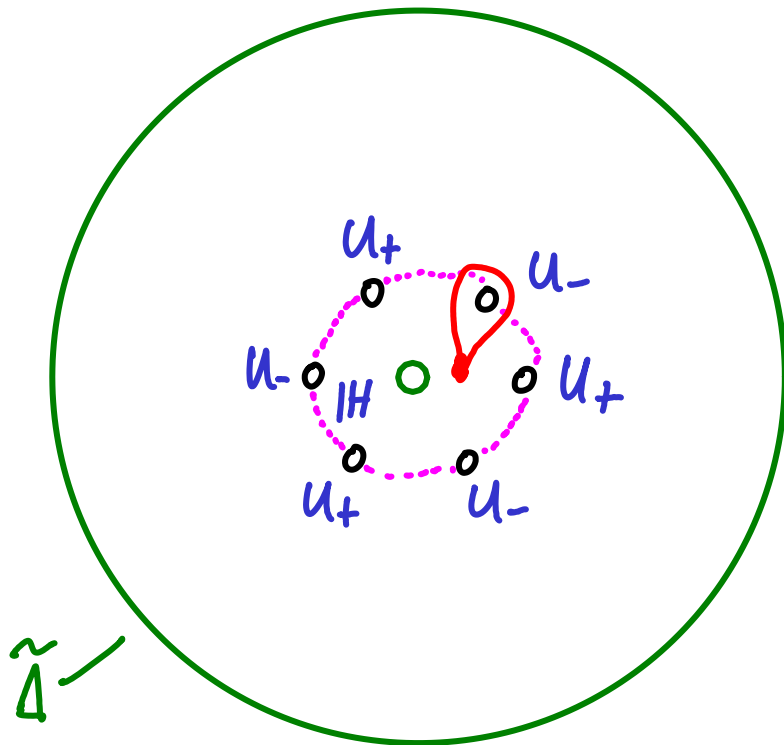
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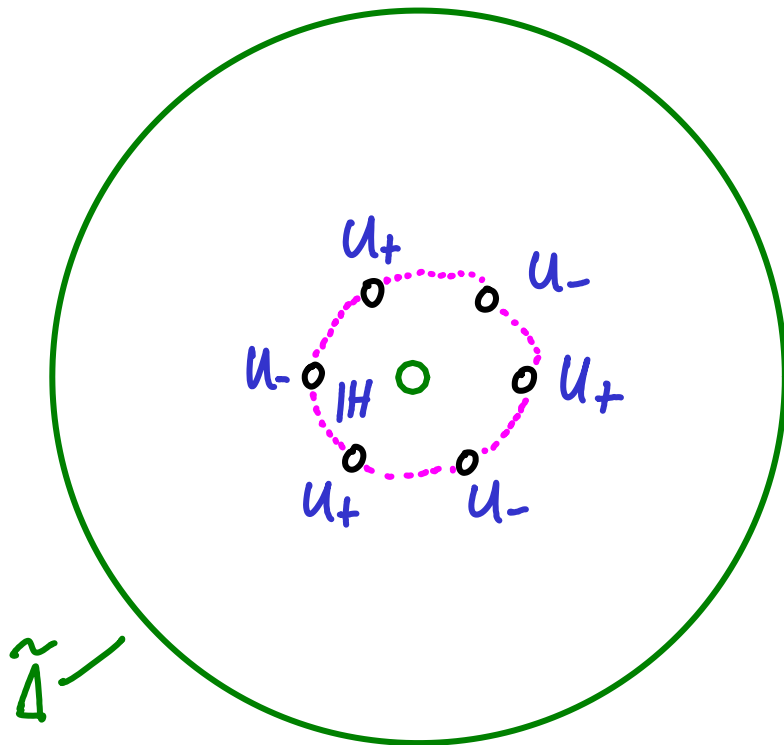
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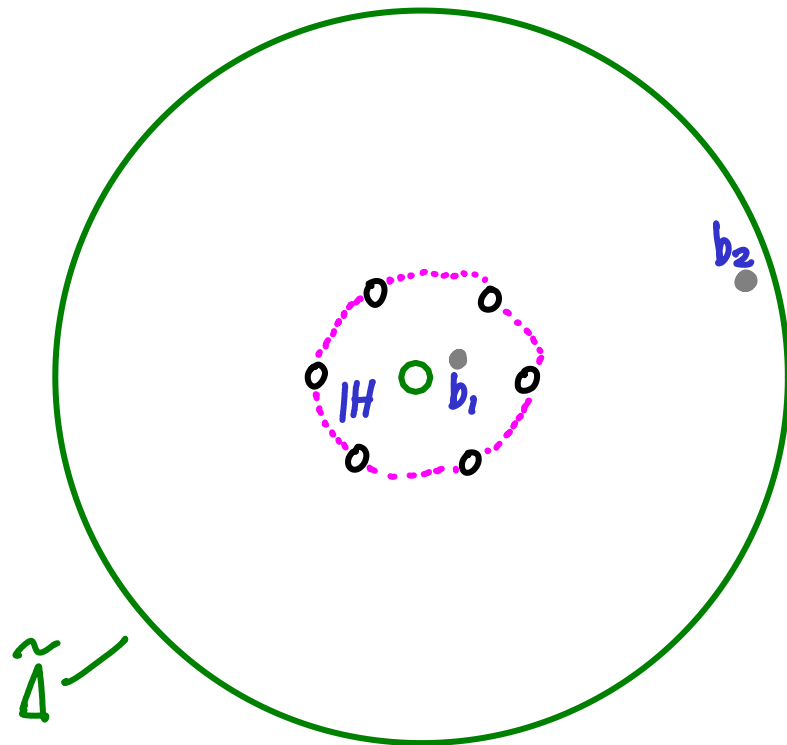
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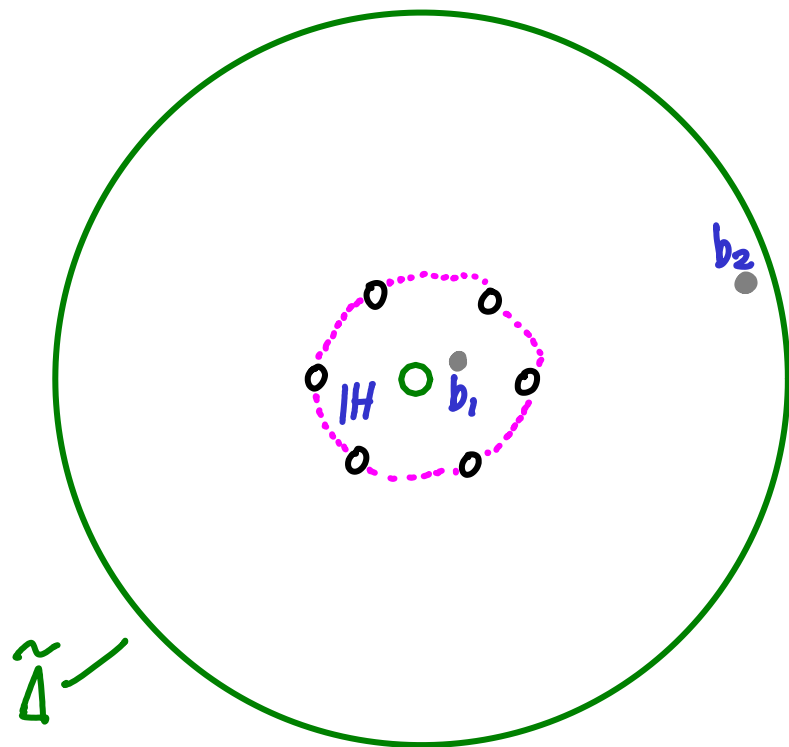
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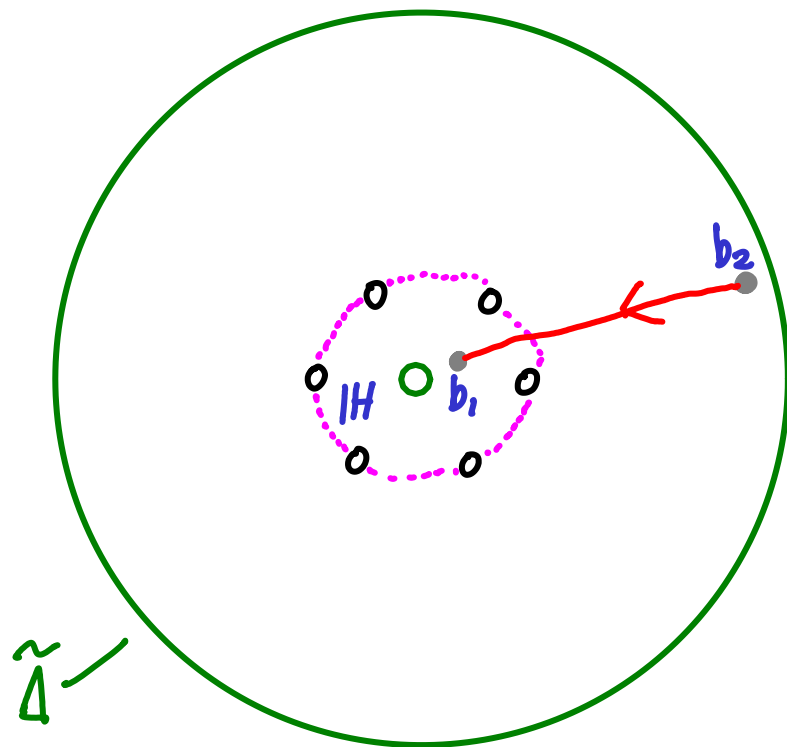


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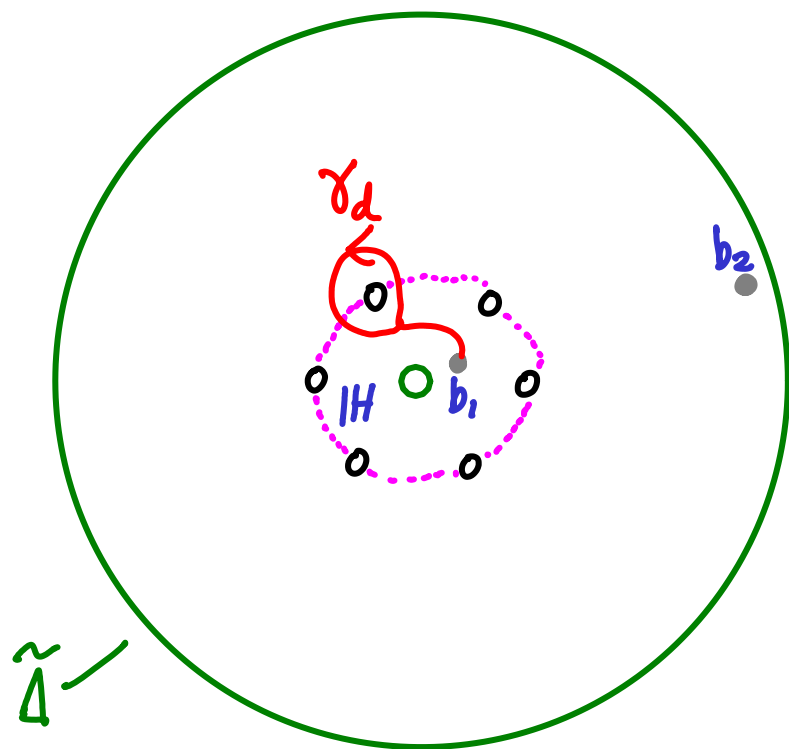
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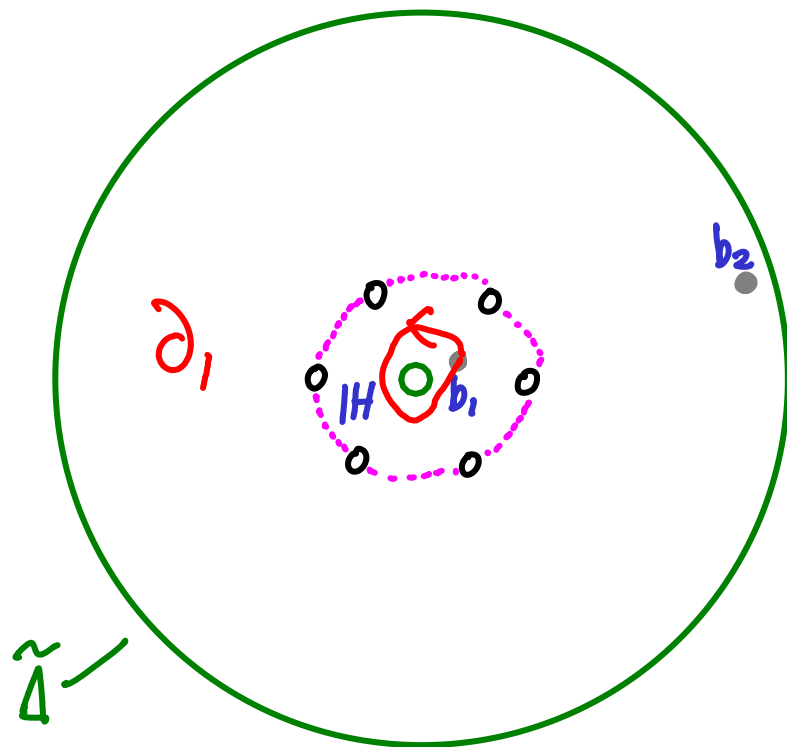


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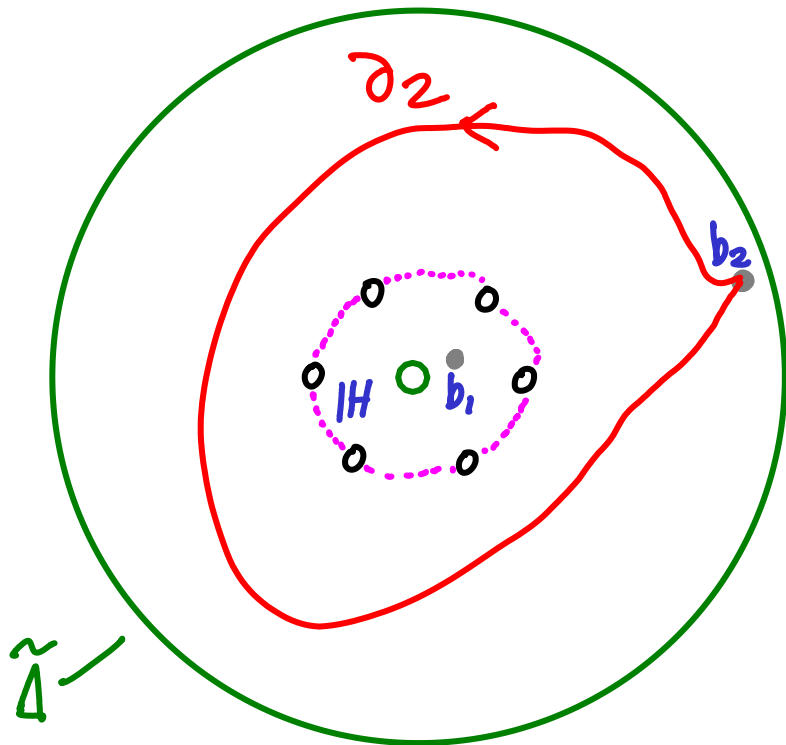
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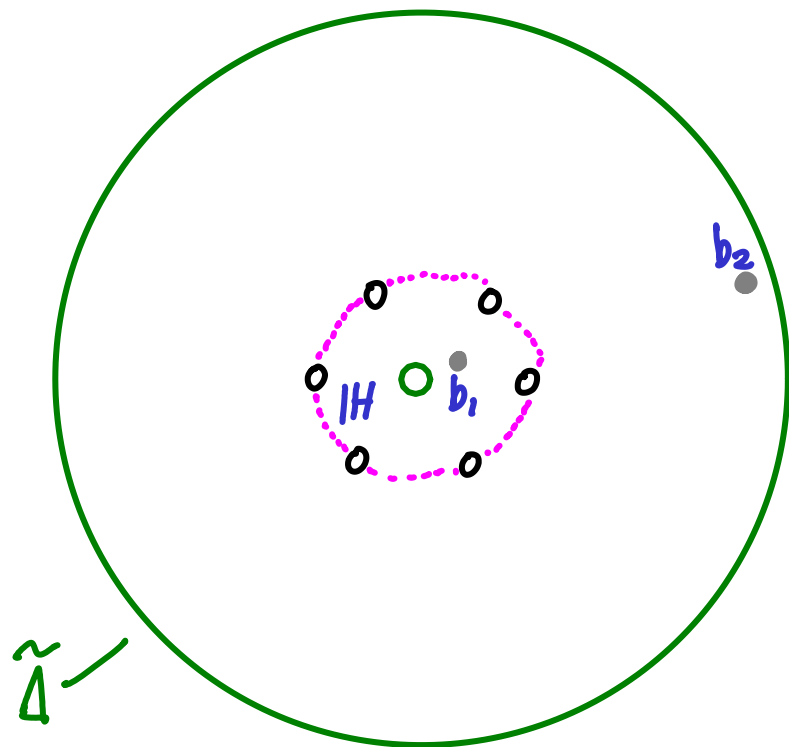


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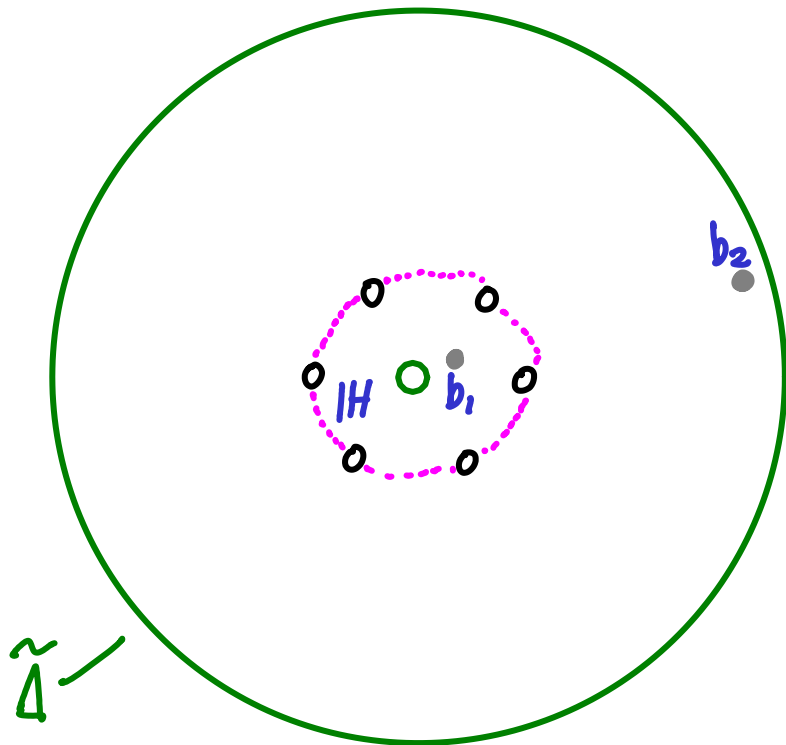
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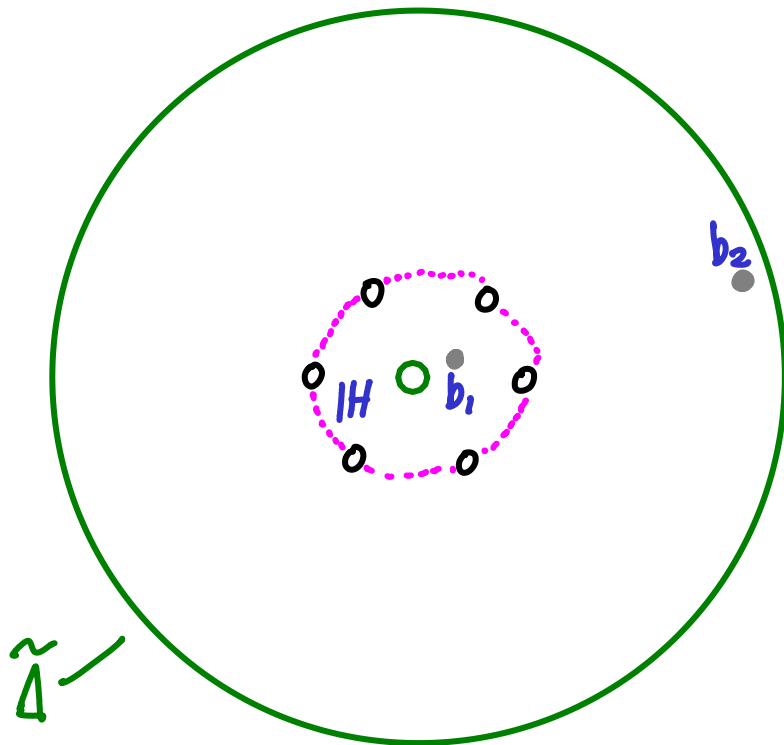
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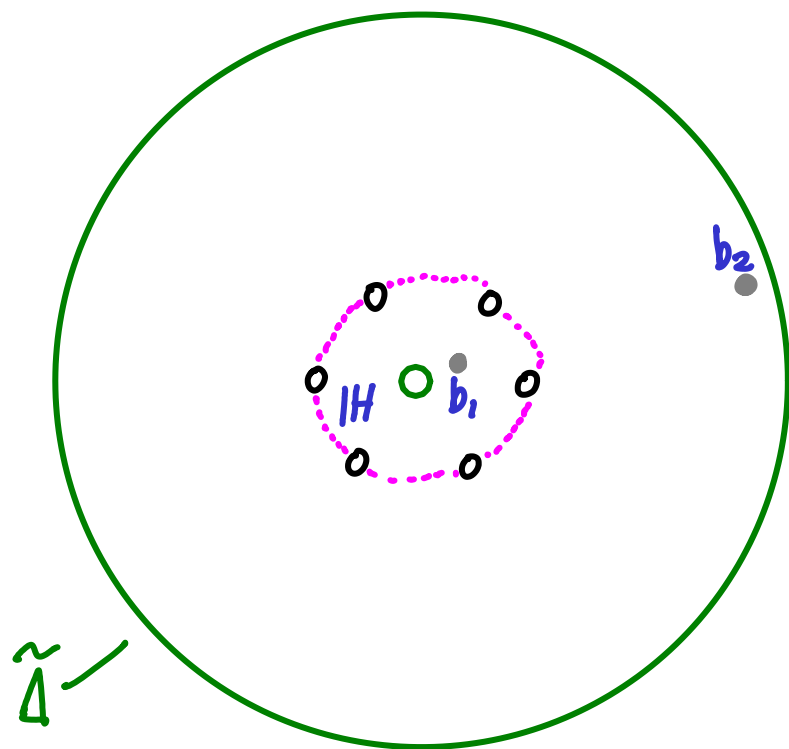
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$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{Similarly for } V = V_1 \oplus V_2 \text{ any dimension} \\ (2009-2015) \quad \Gamma \text{ any "fission graph"} \end{array} \right]$

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Fission graphs (arxiv 0806 appendix C)

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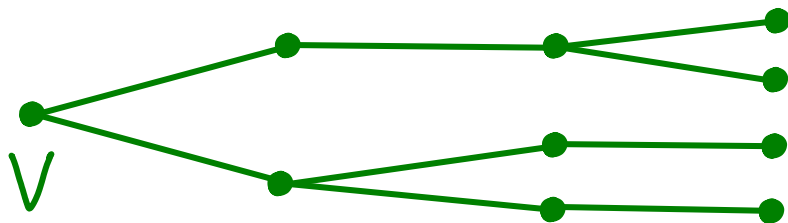
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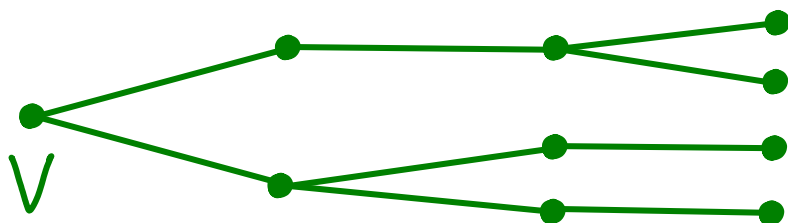
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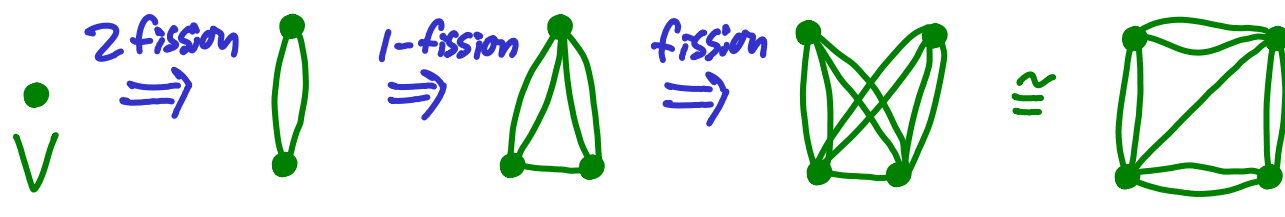
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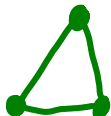
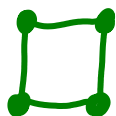
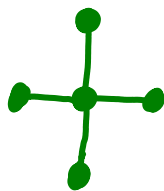
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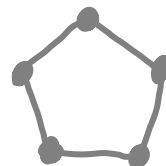
"fission graph"  
 $\Gamma(Q)$

•  $r=2$  get all complete  $k$ -partite graphs

• e.g.



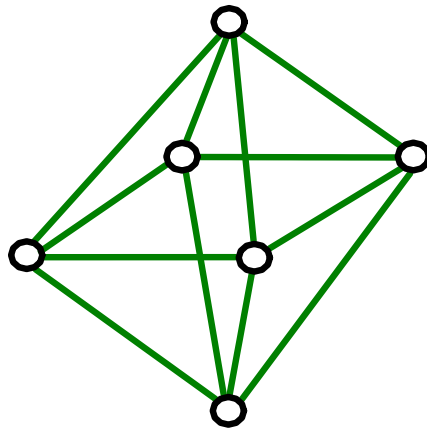
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$$Q = \text{diag}(q_1, \dots, q_n) \Rightarrow \text{nodes} = \{1, \dots, n\}, \# \text{ edges } i \leftrightarrow j = \deg_w(q_i - q_j) - 1$$

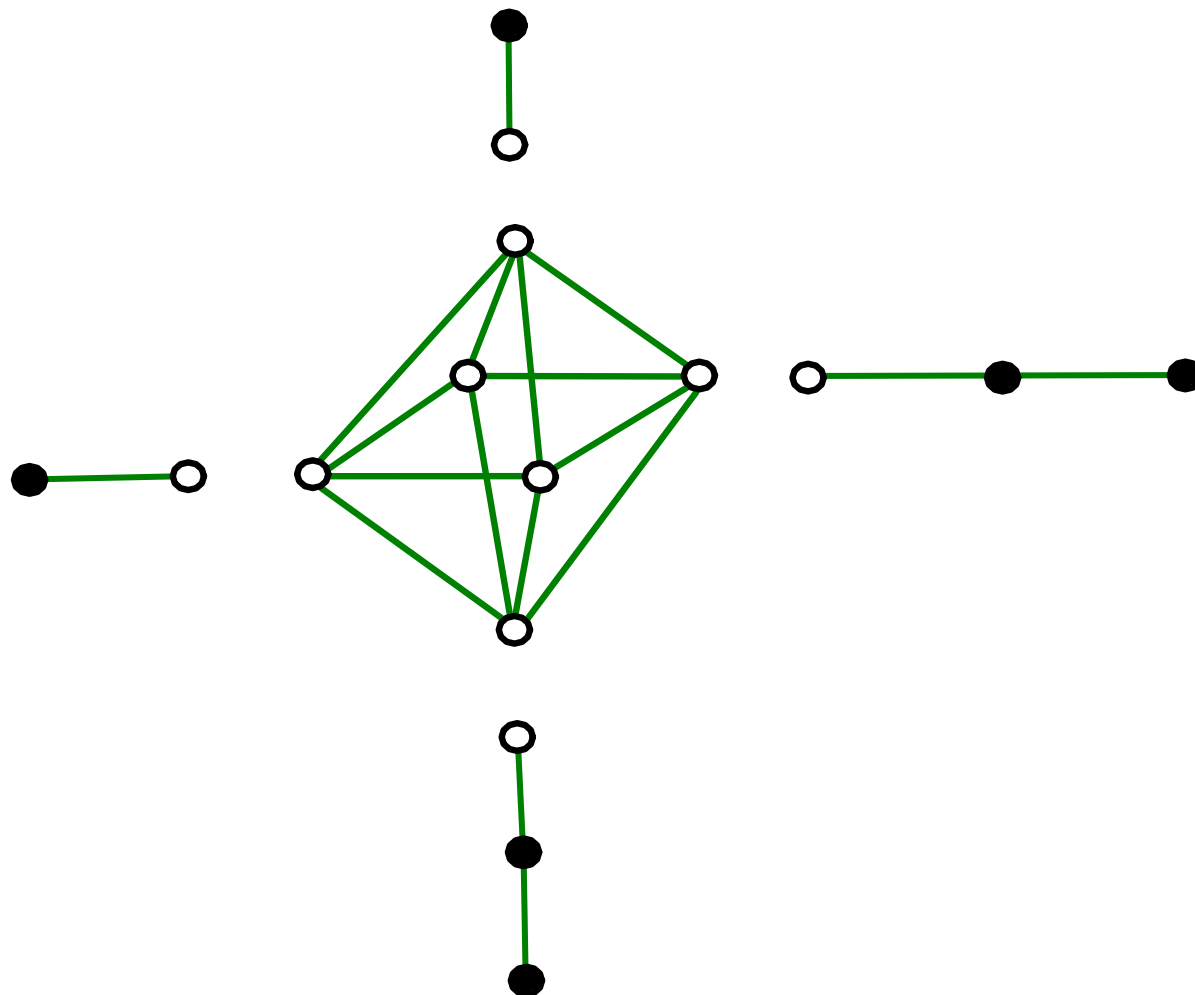


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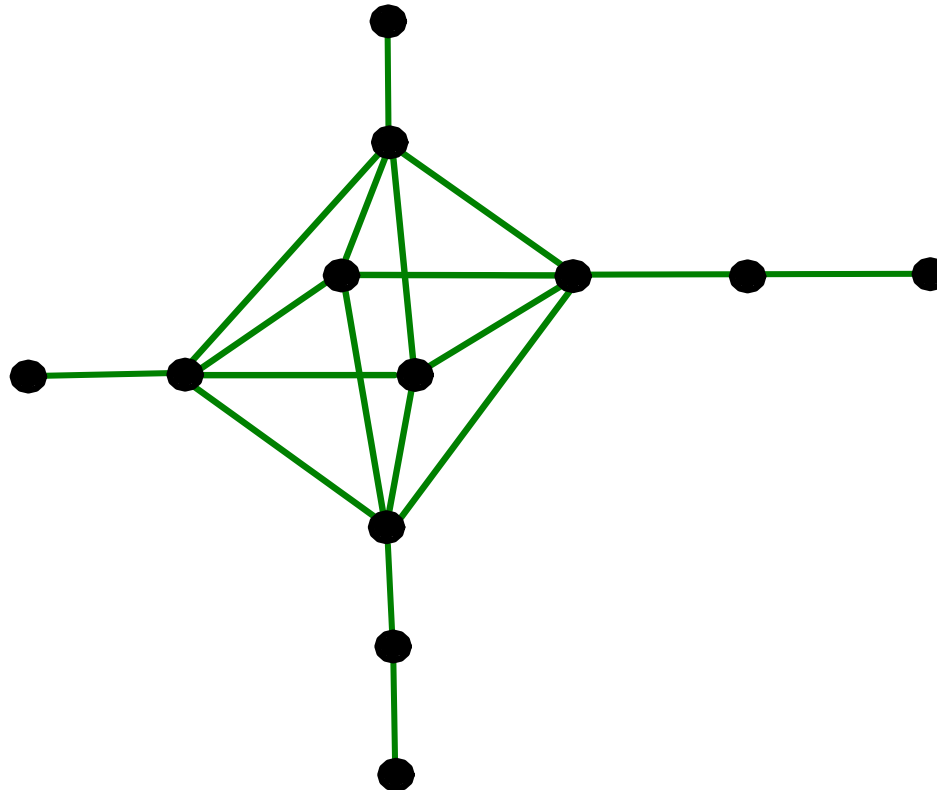


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Fission graph + legs = supernova graph





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(Replace linear maps by symbols)

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$\Rightarrow$  ~~"generalised deformed multiplicative preprojective algebras"~~

"Fission algebras"  $F^q(\Gamma)$

Eg.  $\Gamma = \overset{k}{\circ} \rightrightarrows \circ$   $q = (q_1, q_2) \in (\mathbb{C}^*)^2$

$$F^q(\Gamma) \cong \mathbb{C}\overline{\Gamma} / \left( \begin{array}{l} (a_1, b_1, \dots, a_k, b_k)e_1 = q_1 e_1, \\ (b_k, a_k, \dots, b_1, a_1)e_2 = q_2^{-1} e_2 \end{array} \right)$$

If  $V = V_1 \oplus V_2$  then  $\text{Rep}(F^q(\Gamma), V) \cong \mu^{-1}(q) \subset \text{Rep}^*(\Gamma, V)$

(more examples in arXiv:1307.\*\*\*\*)



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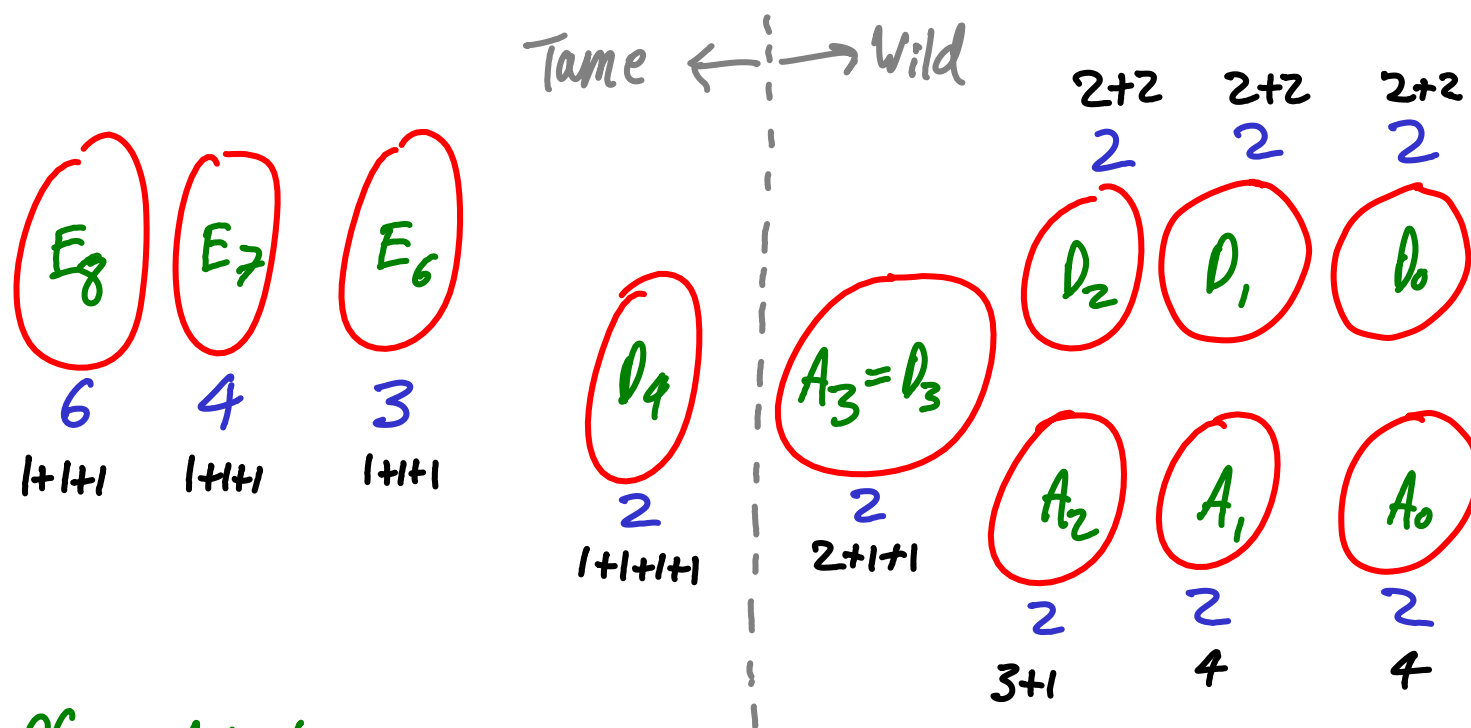


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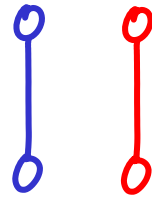


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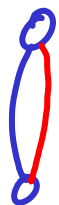


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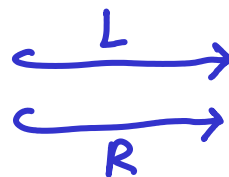
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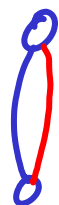


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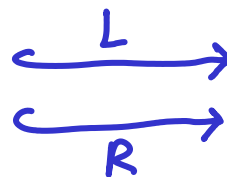
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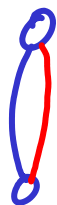


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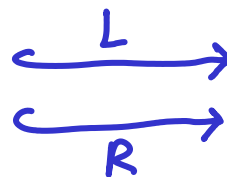
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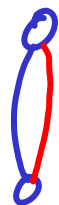


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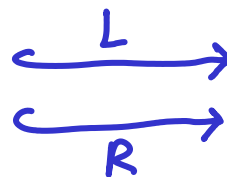
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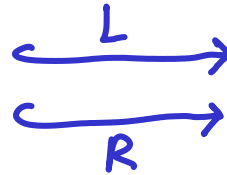
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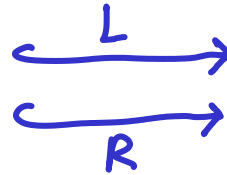
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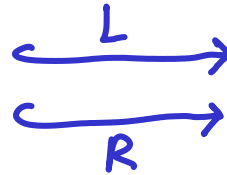
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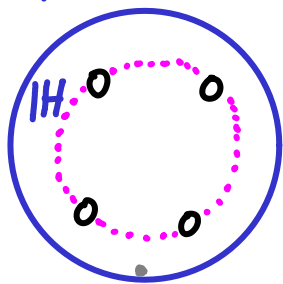
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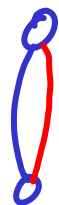


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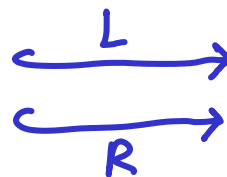
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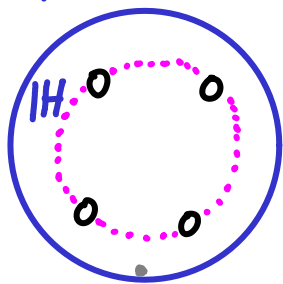
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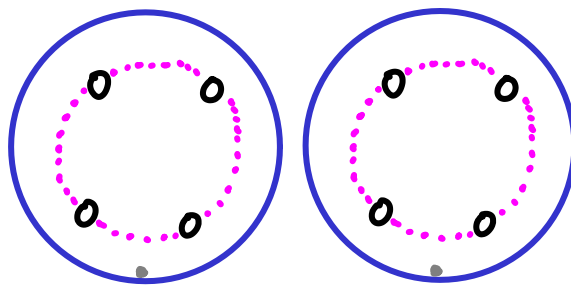


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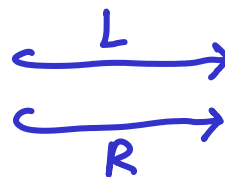
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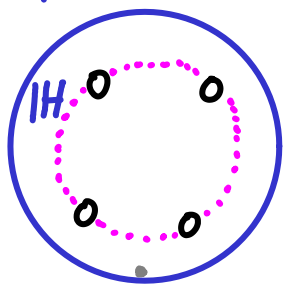
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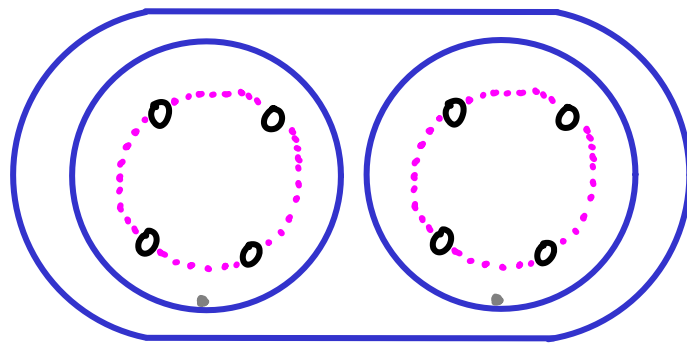


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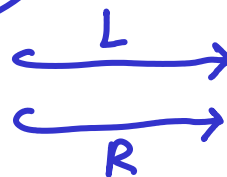
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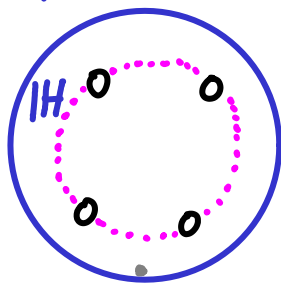
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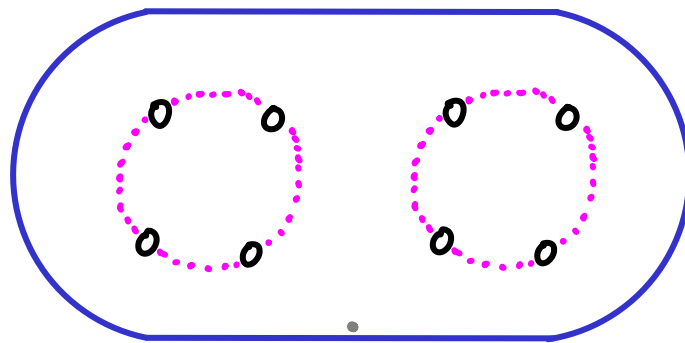


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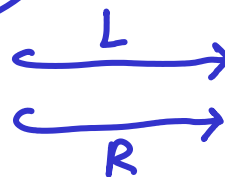
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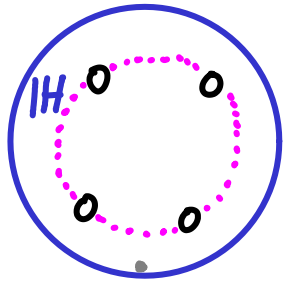
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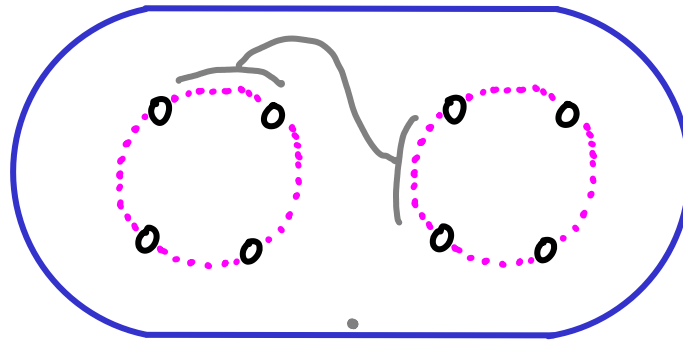


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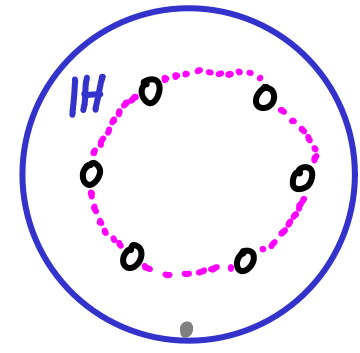
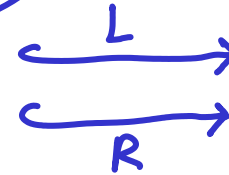
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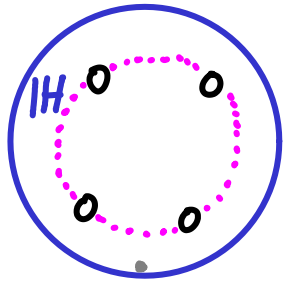
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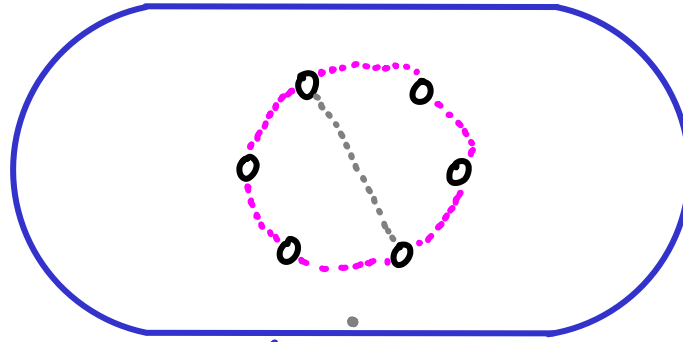


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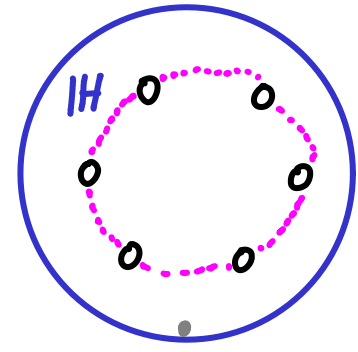
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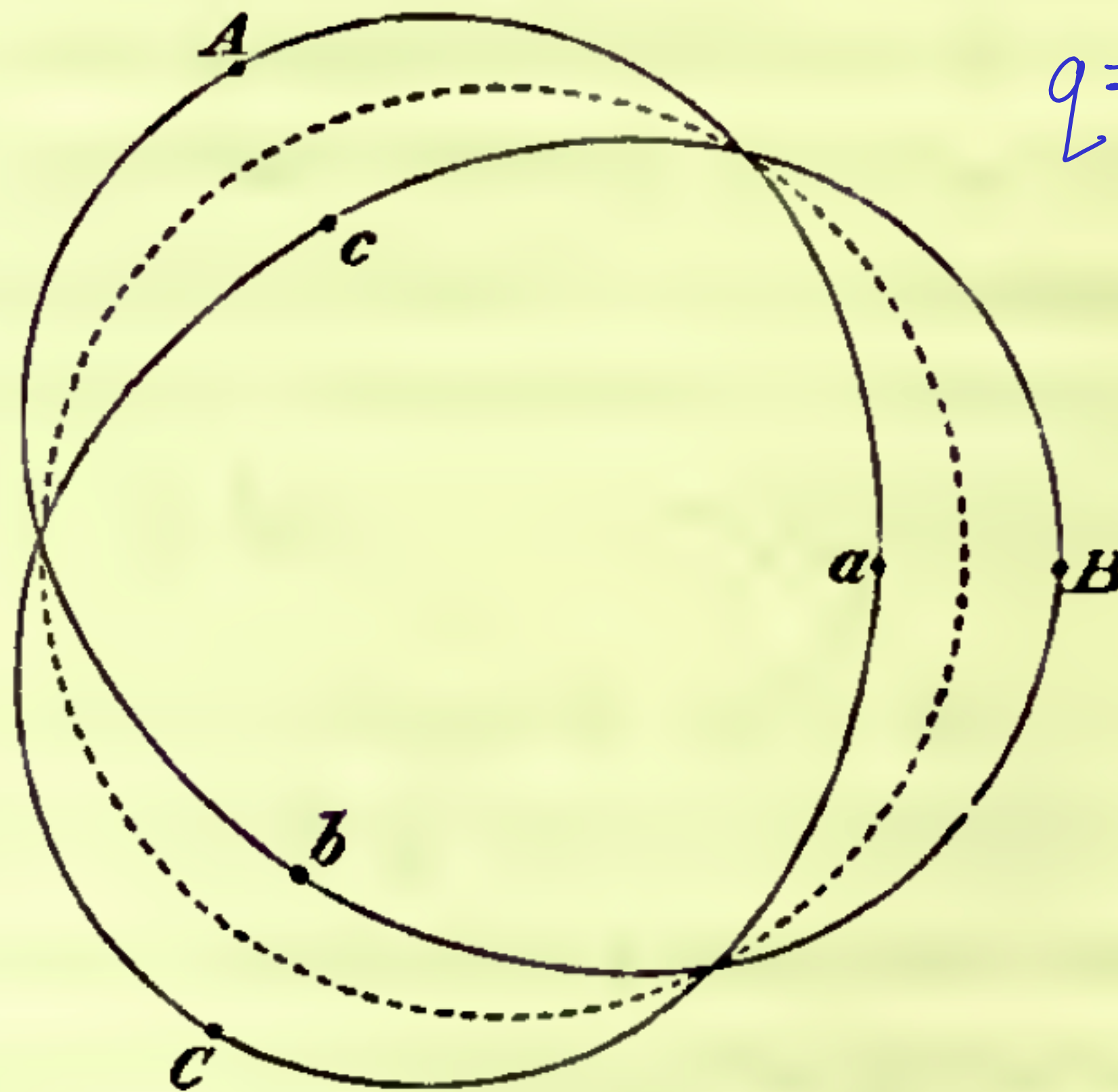
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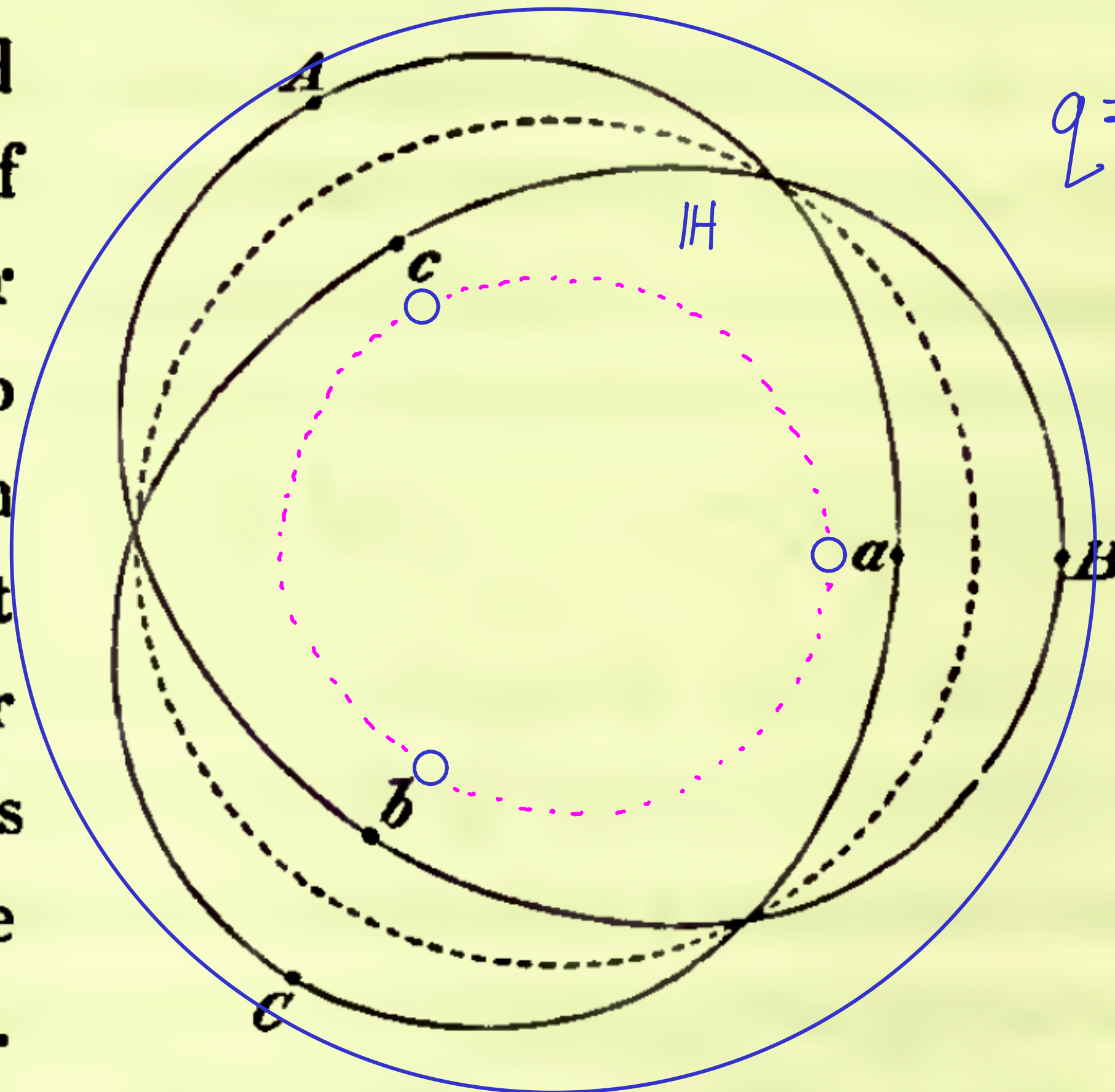
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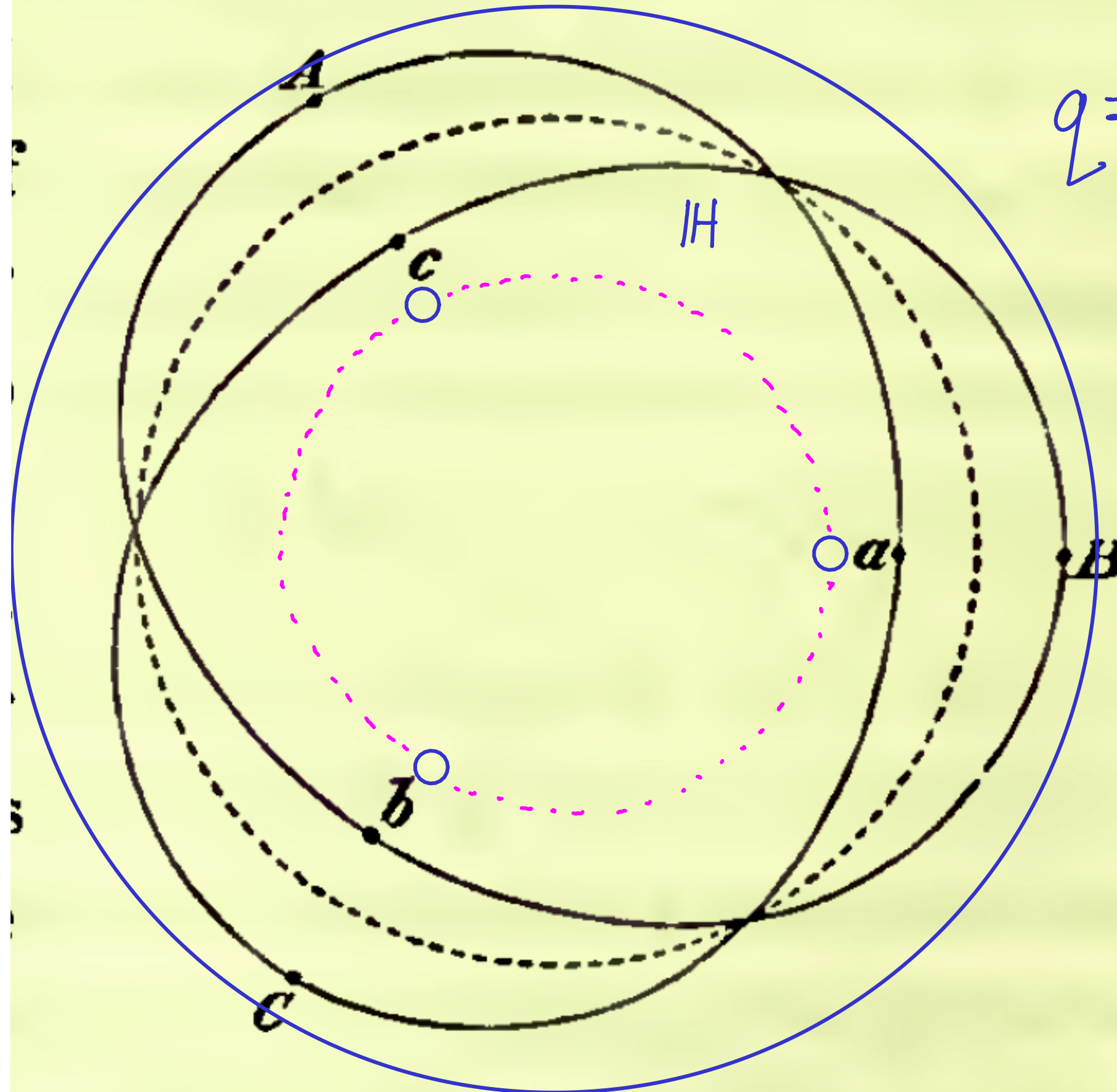
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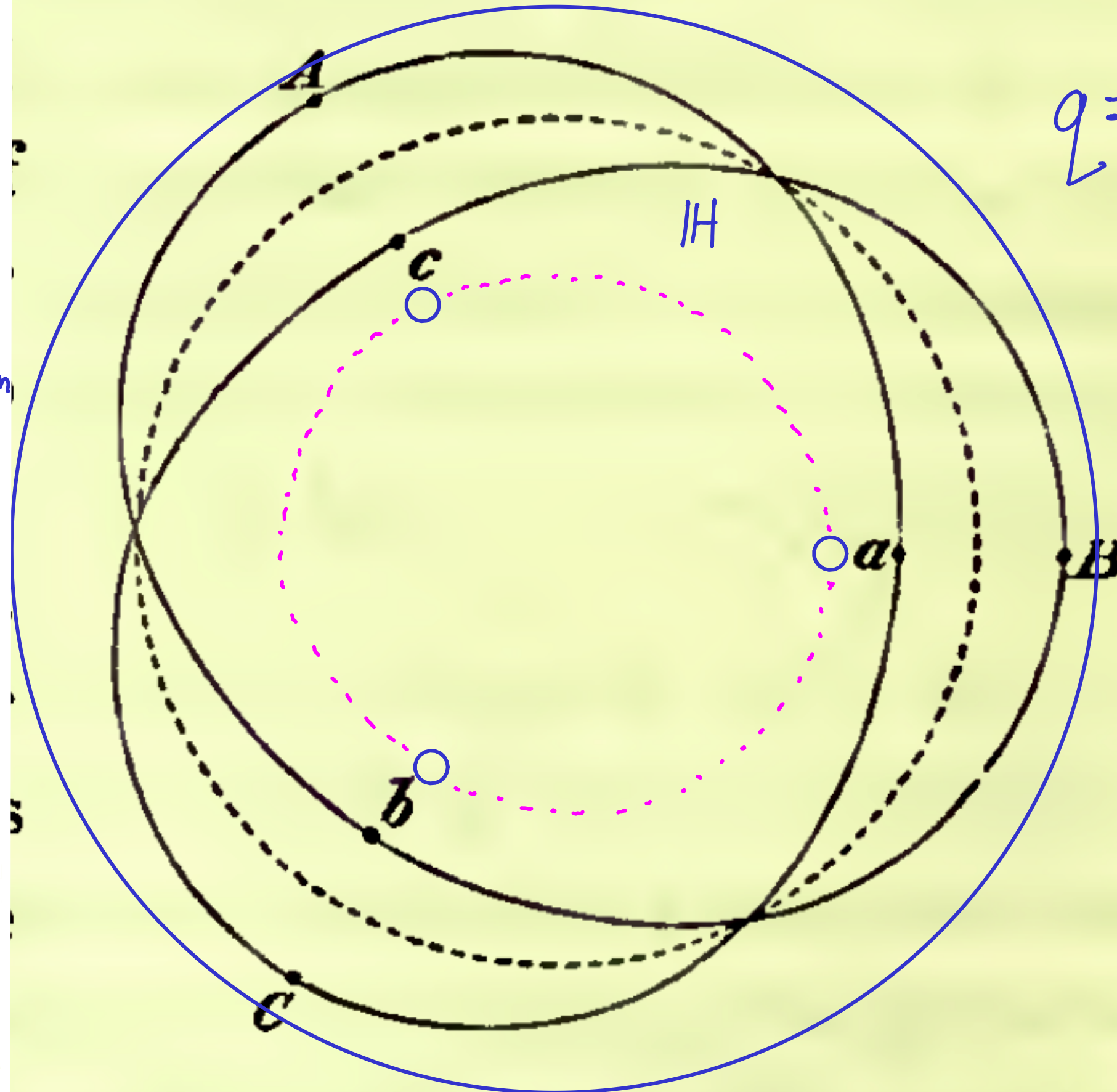


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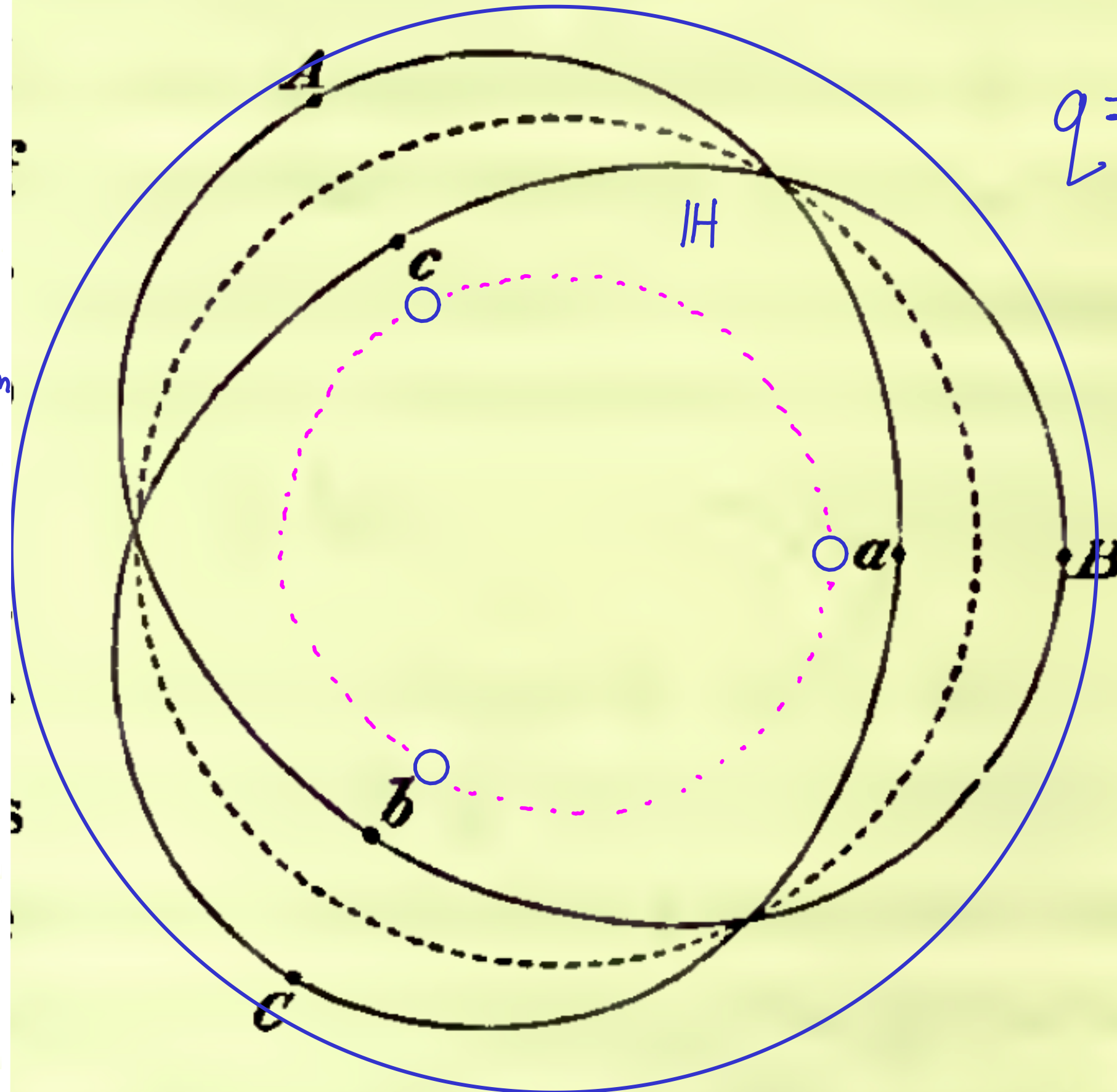


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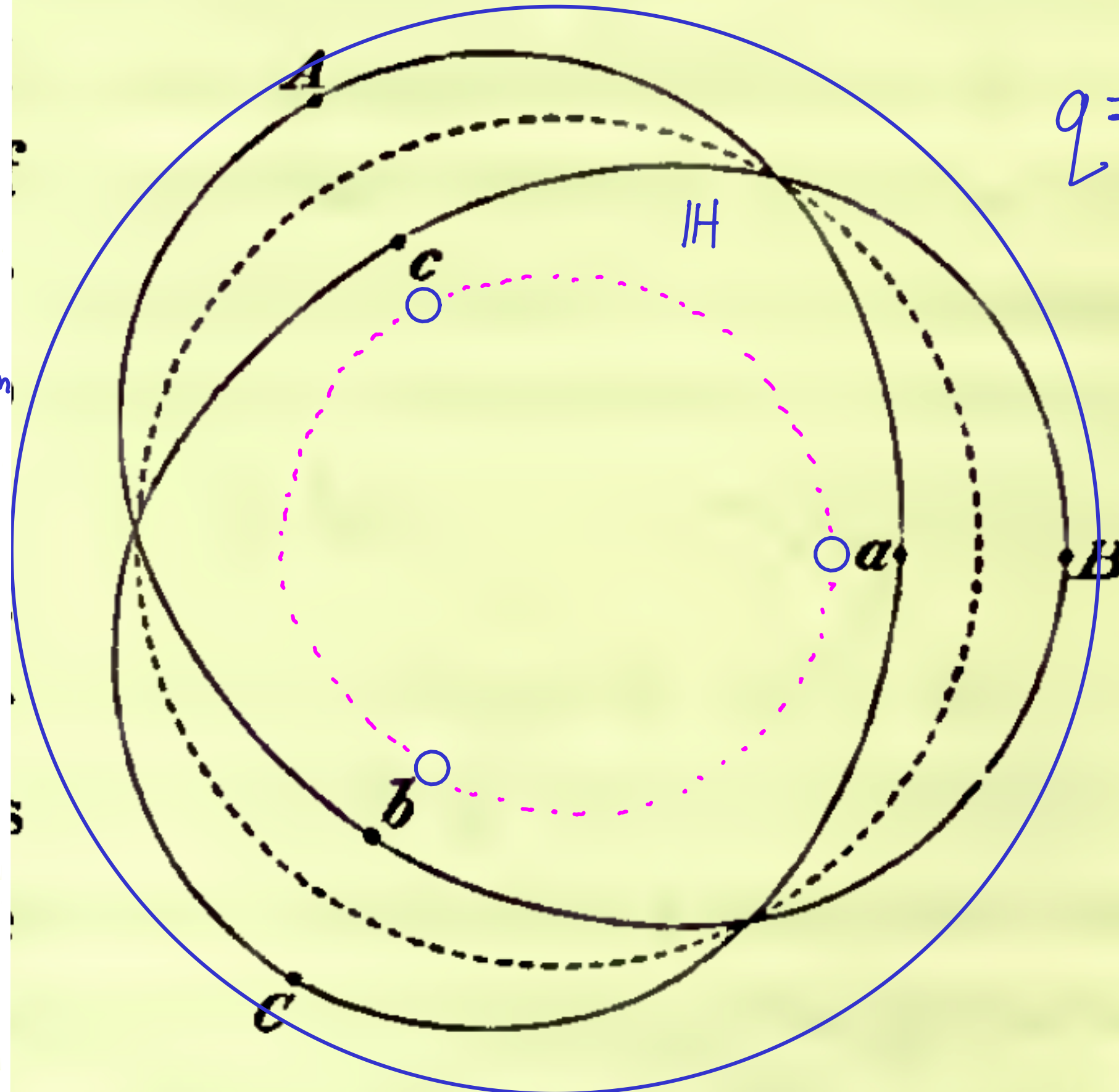


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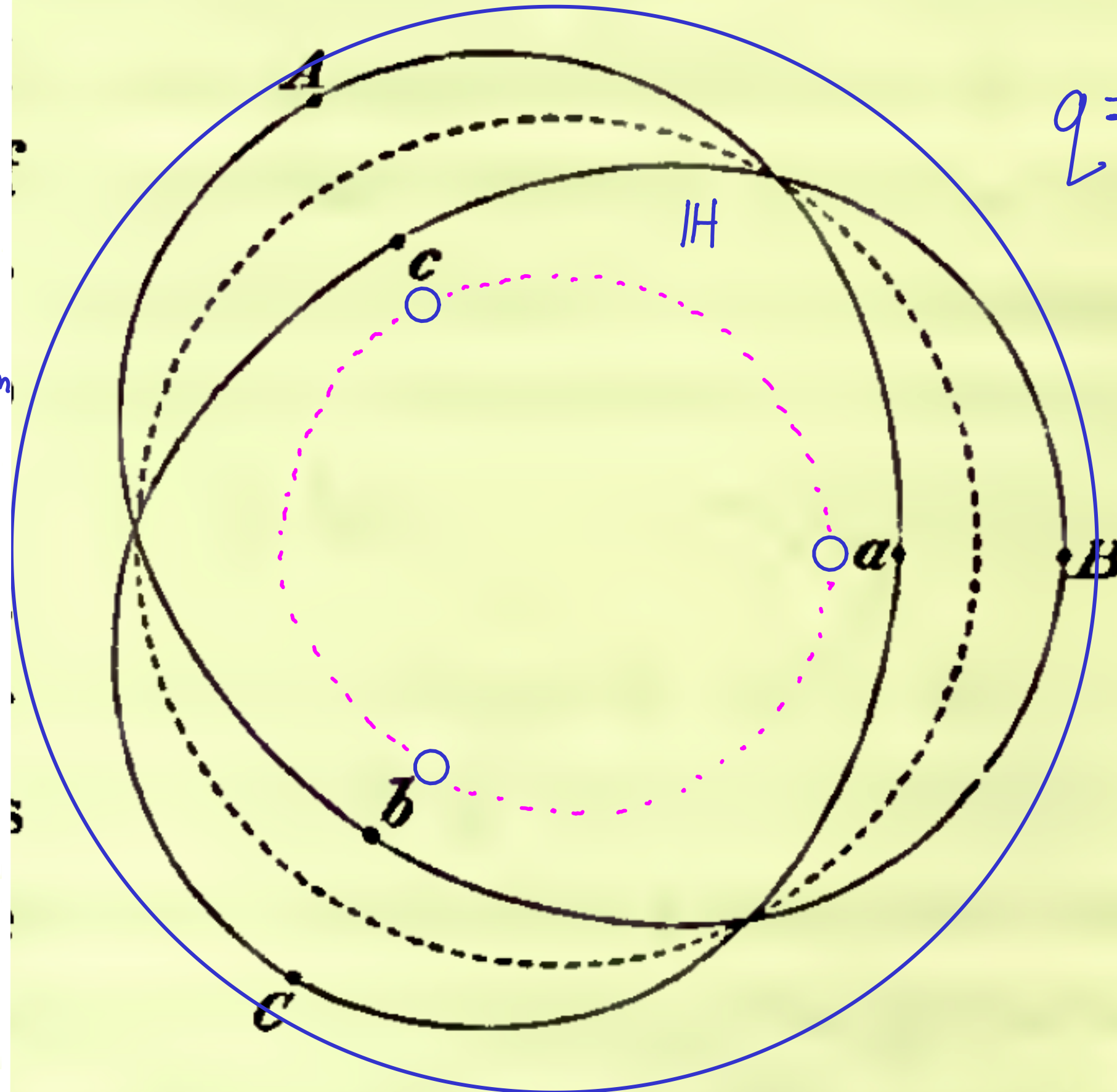


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