

Computational Geometry

Geometry

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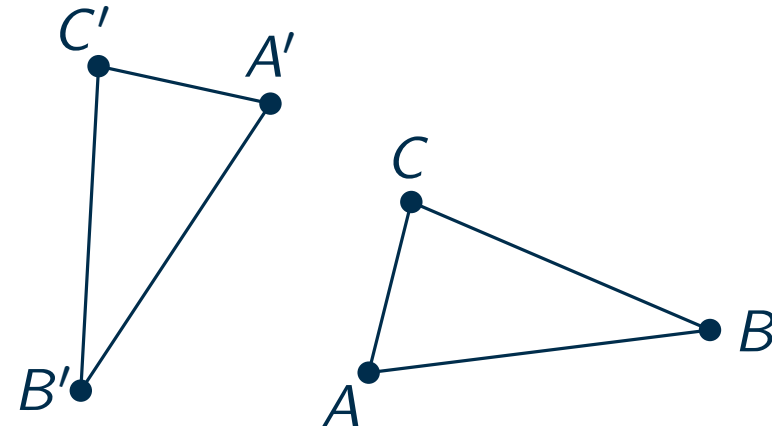
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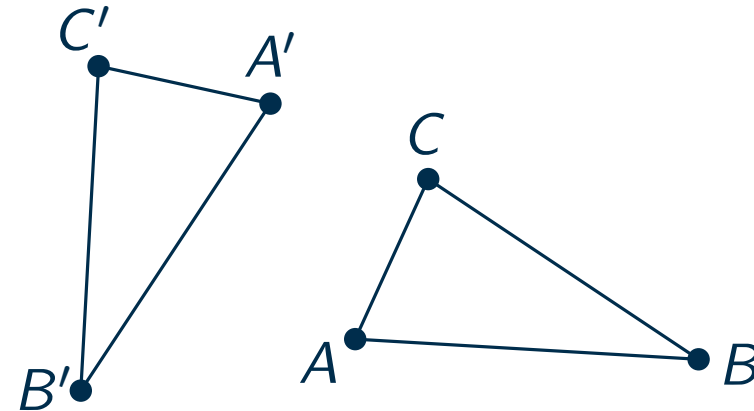
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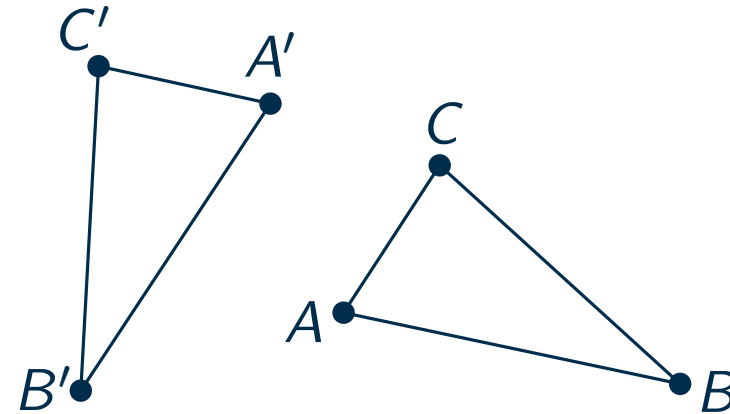
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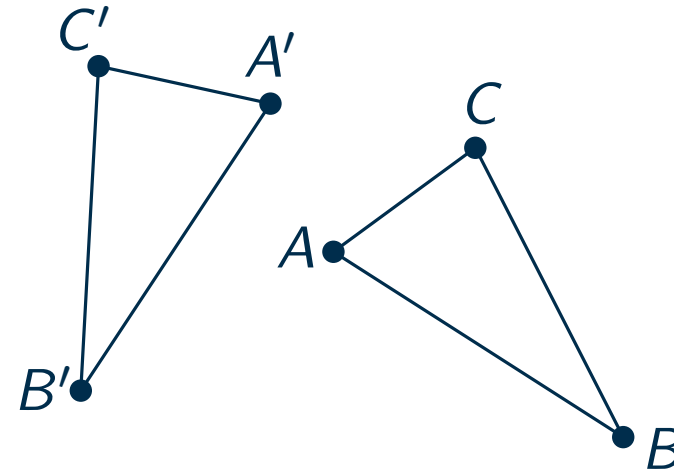
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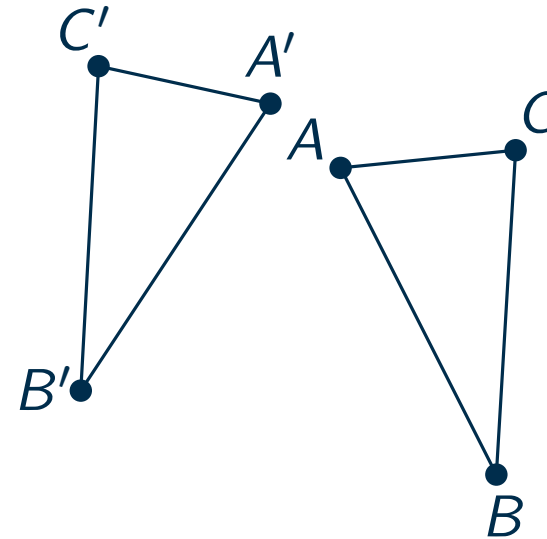
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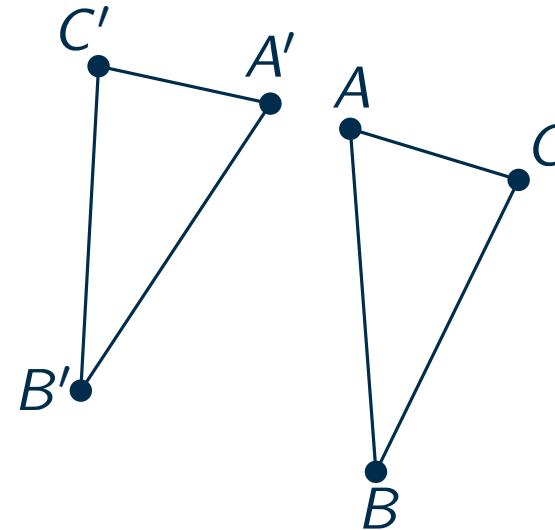
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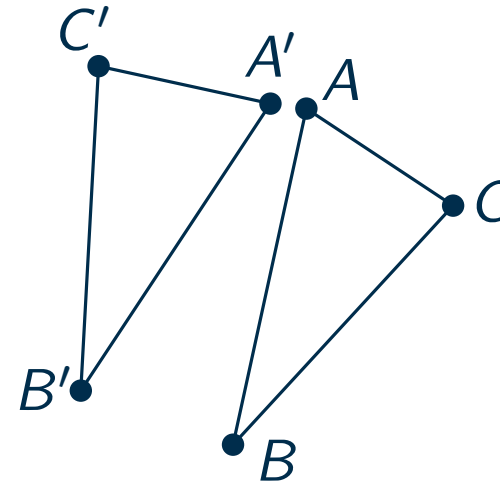
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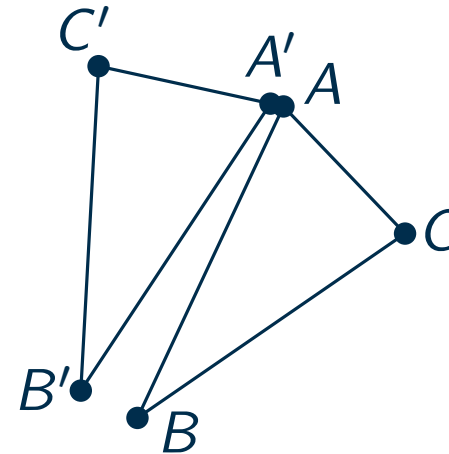
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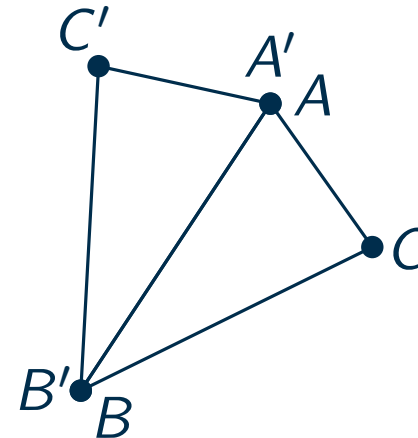
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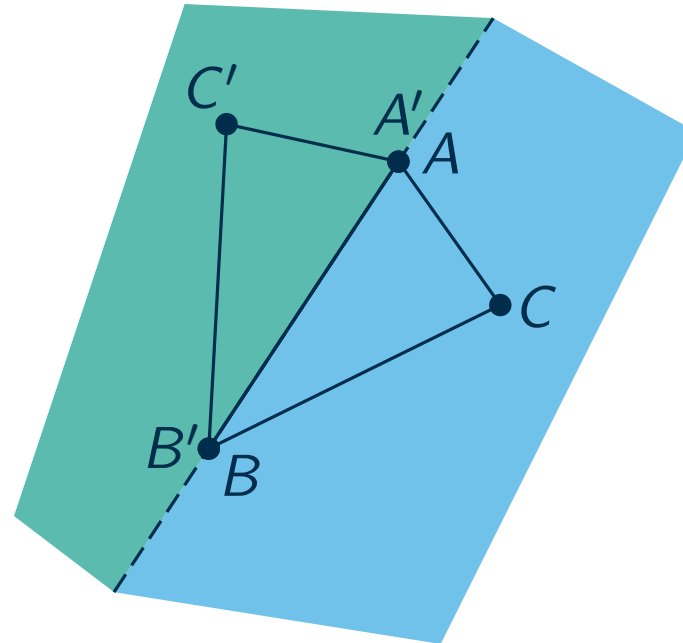
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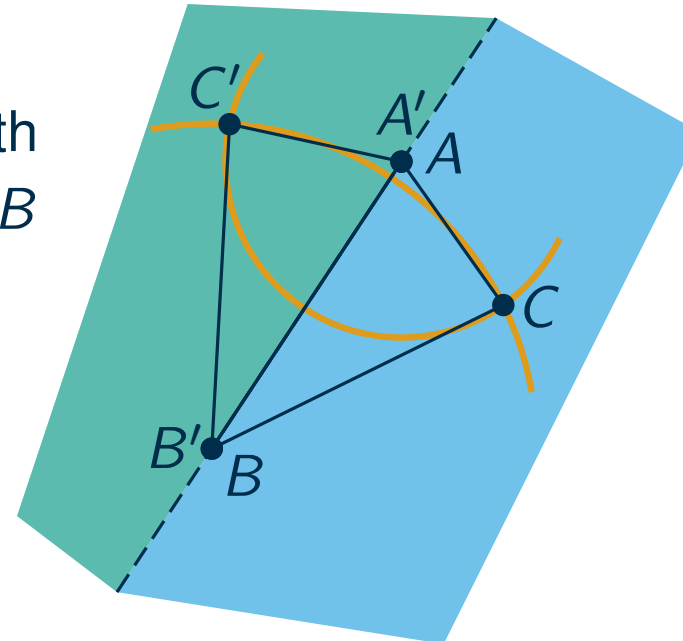
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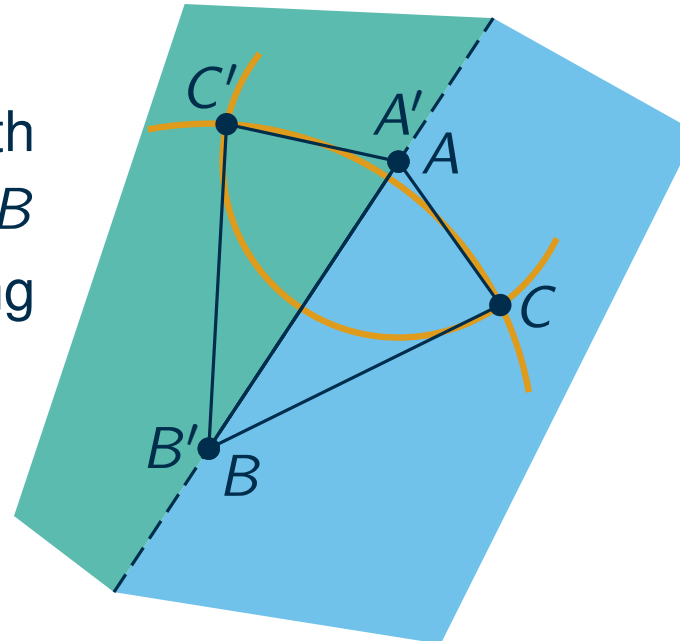
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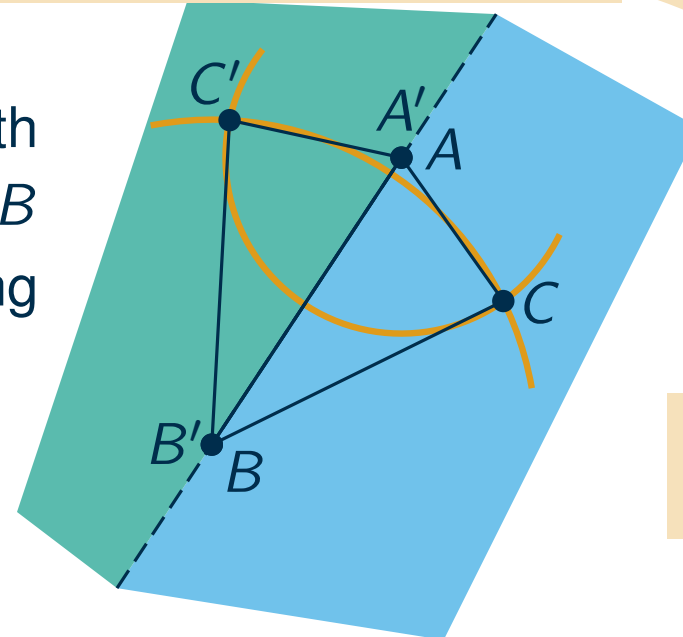
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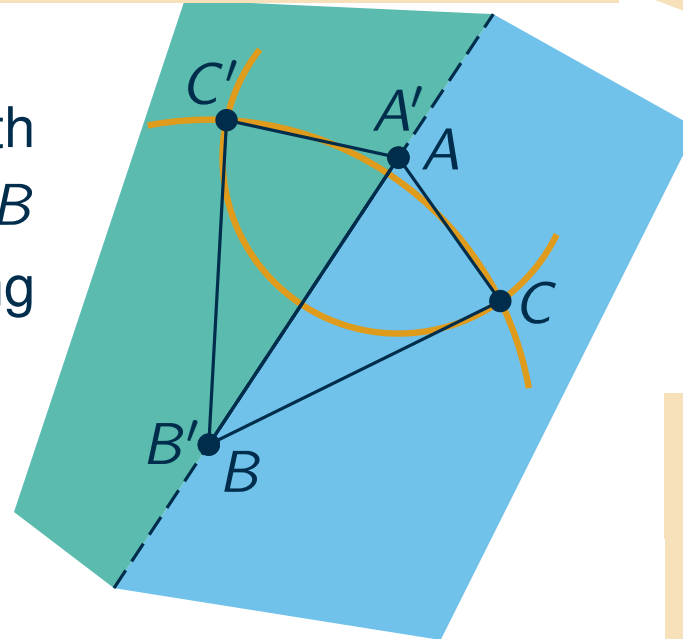
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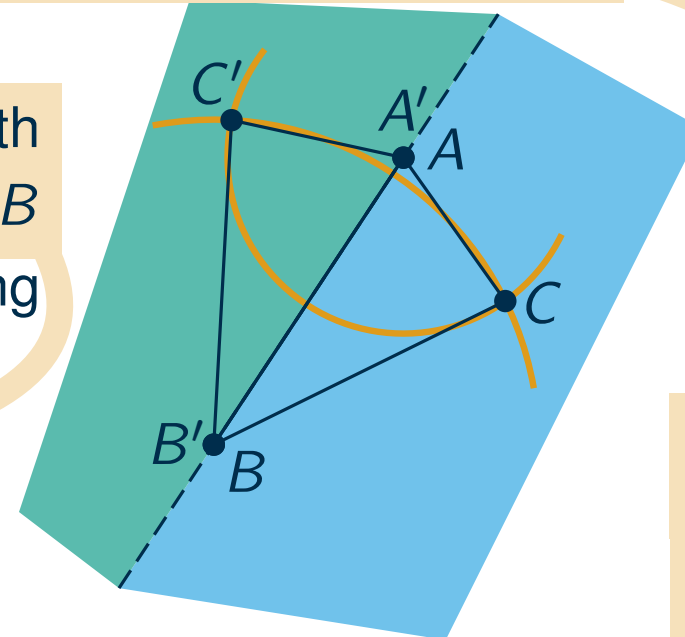
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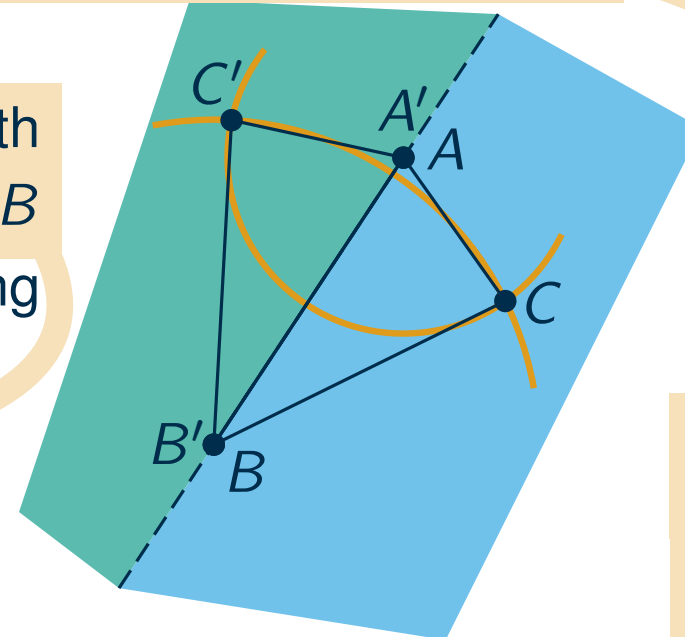
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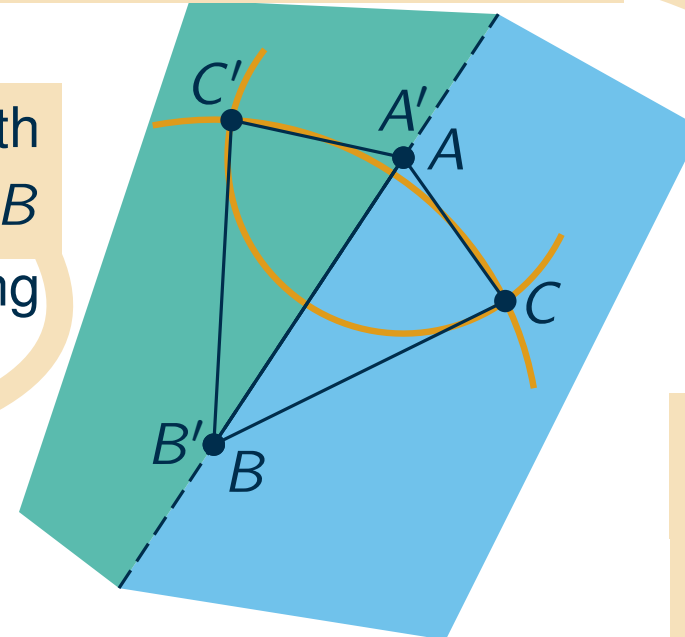
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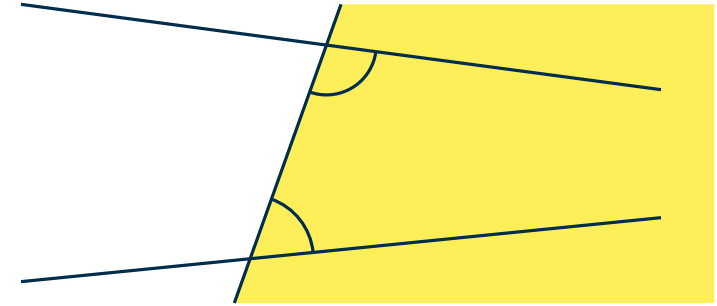
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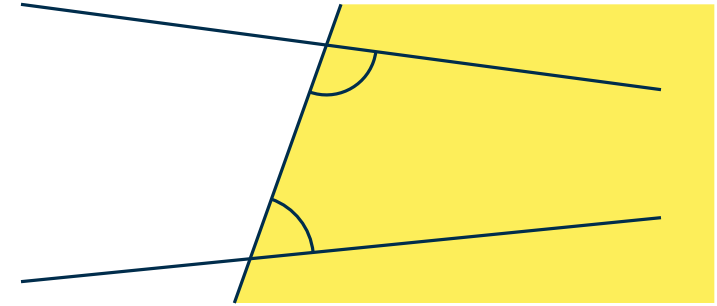
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Modern Axiomatic Perspective

Basic Building Blocks

- **basic terms** that are initially meaningless
- the basic terms gain meaning from a set of **axioms**
- **theorems**, that can be deduced from the axioms
- **definitions** are just abbreviations that simplify notation

(“point” and “table” are interchangeable)

(properties that we wish our basic terms to have)

Desirable Properties For A System Of Axioms

- consistency (free of contradictions)
- independence (no axiom can be deduced from the others)
- completeness (every formulatable statement is (dis)provable)
- you don't always get what you want
(see Gödel's incompleteness theorem)

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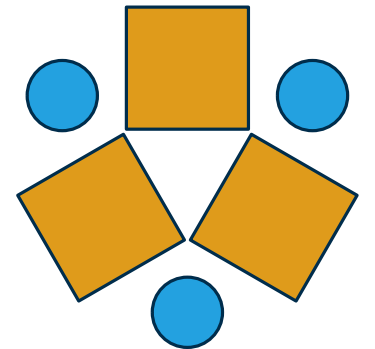
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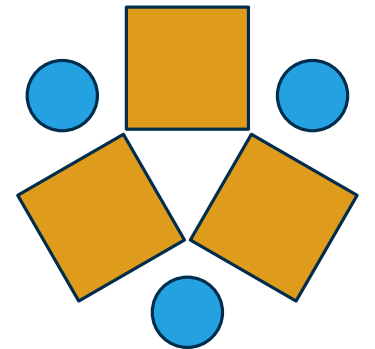
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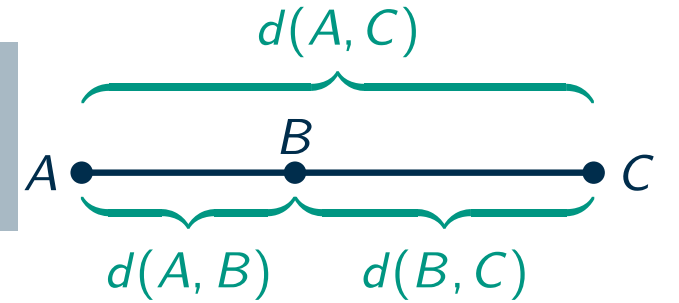
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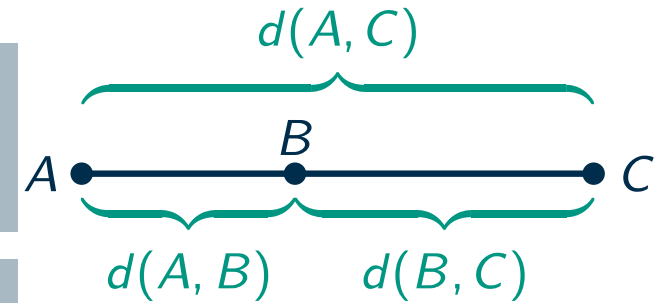
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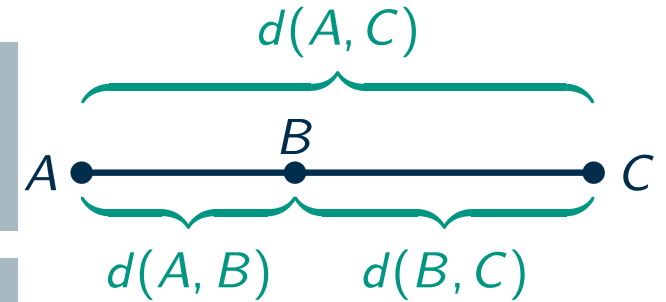
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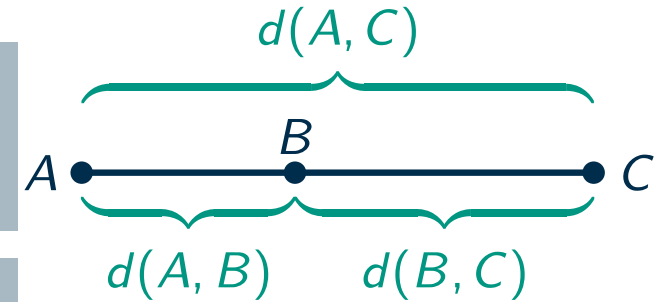
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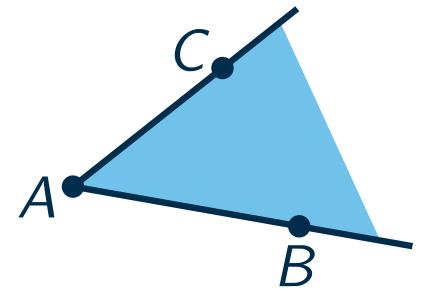
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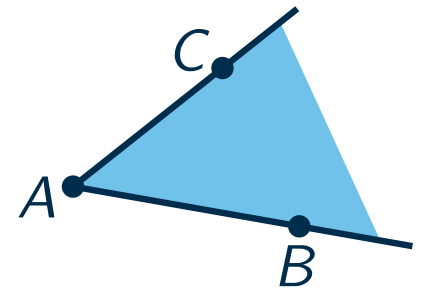
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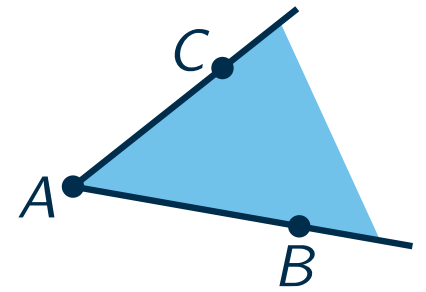


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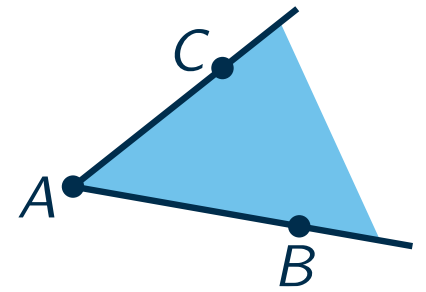
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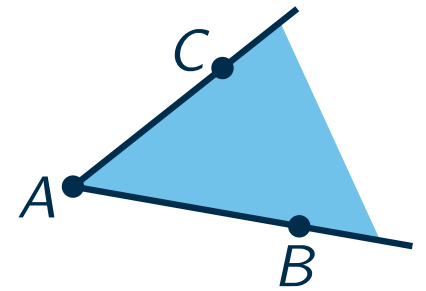
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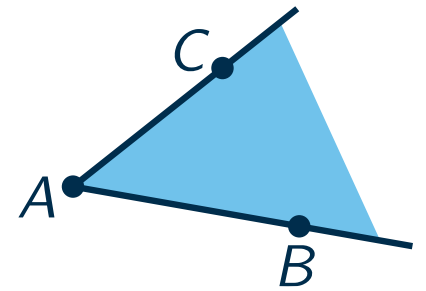
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distance is a metric; tightness of triangle inequality if and only if collinear

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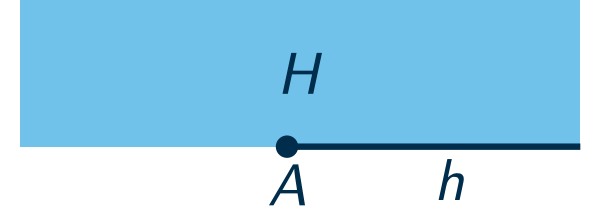
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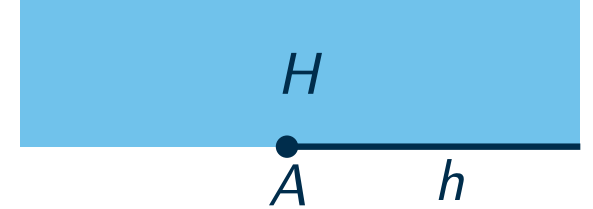
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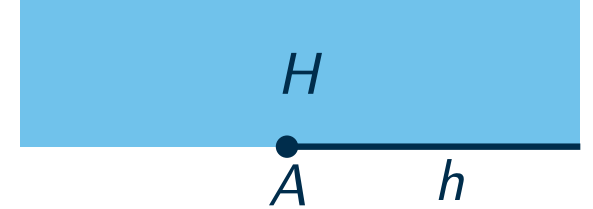
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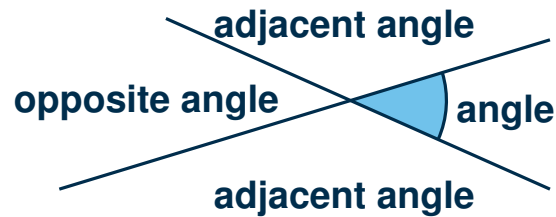
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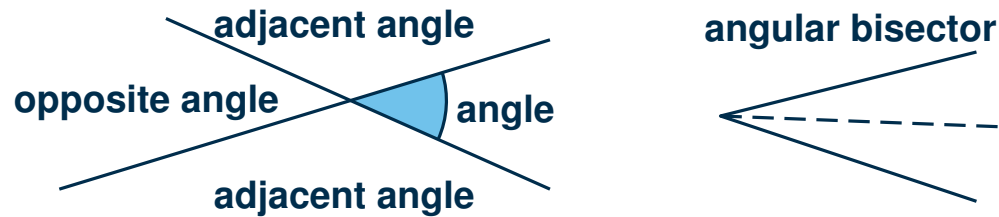
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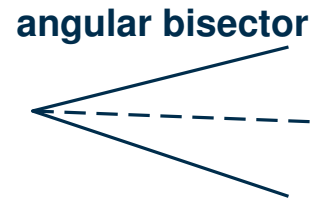
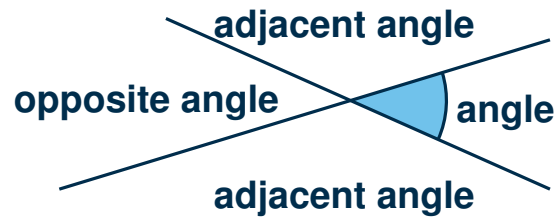
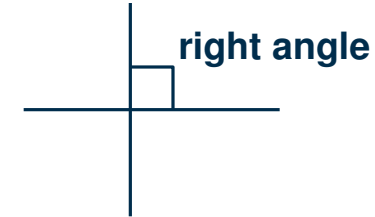
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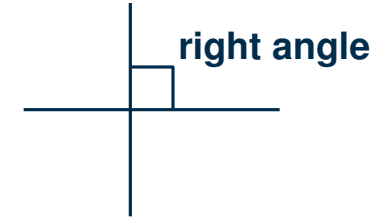
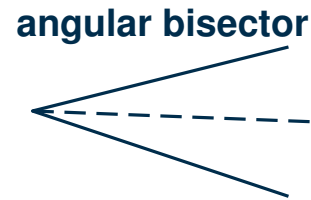
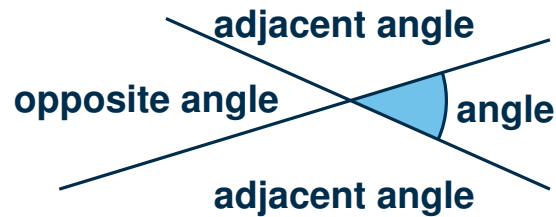
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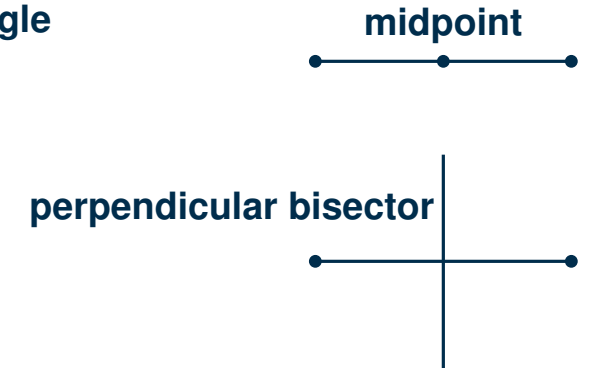
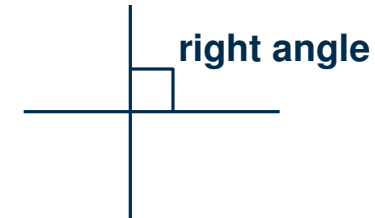
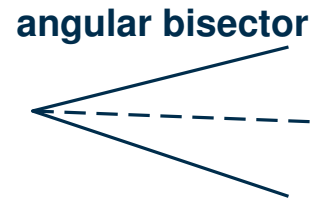
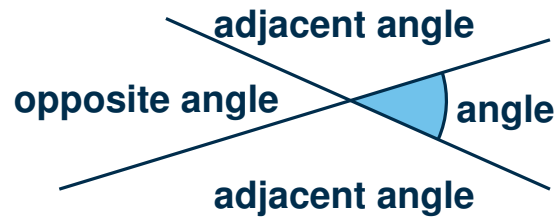
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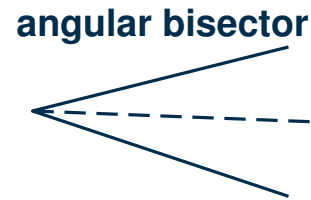
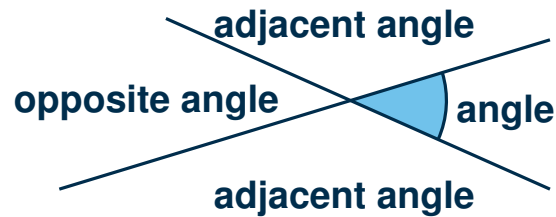
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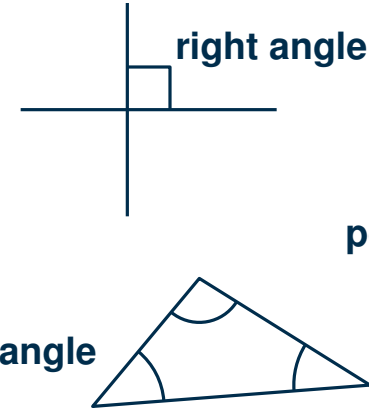
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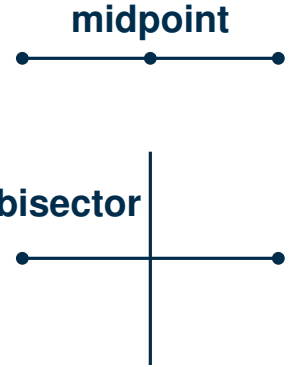
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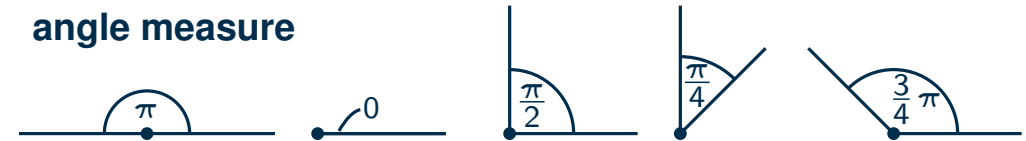
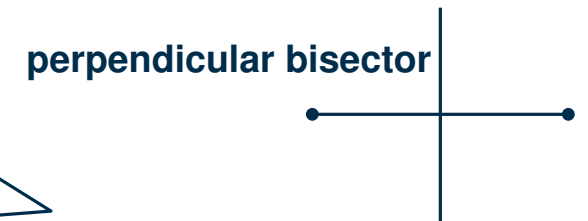
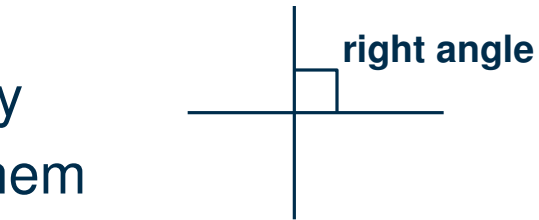
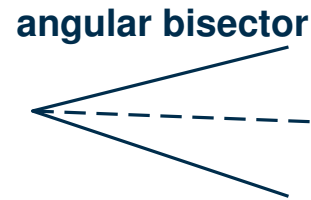
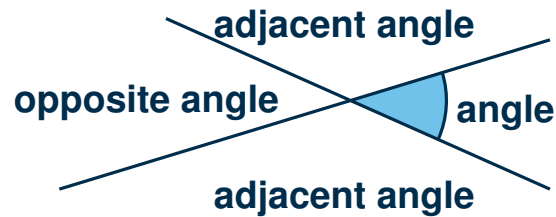
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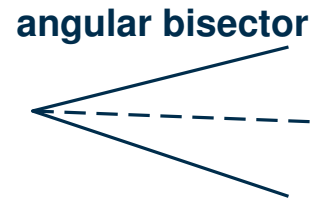
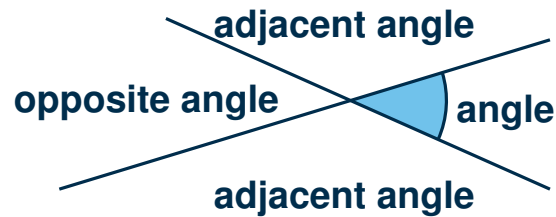
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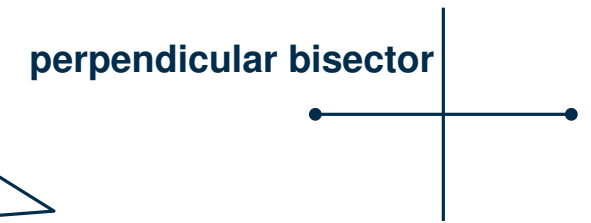
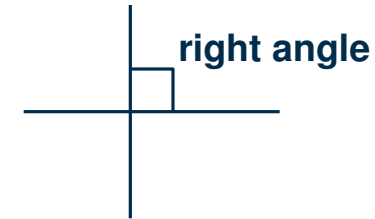
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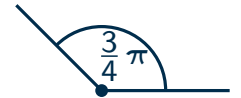
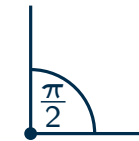


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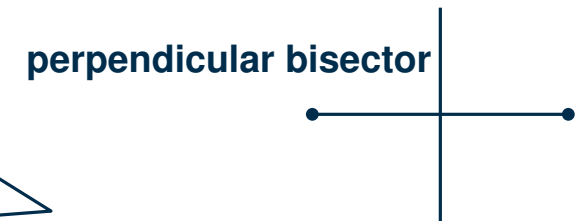
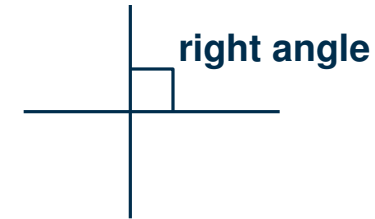
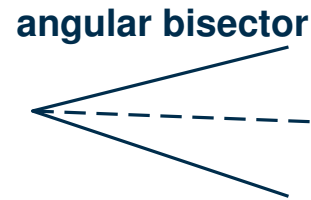
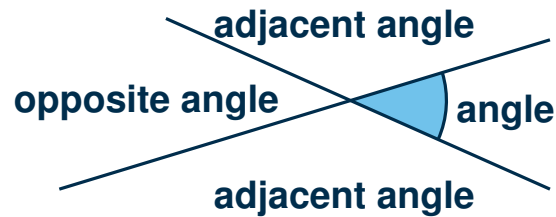
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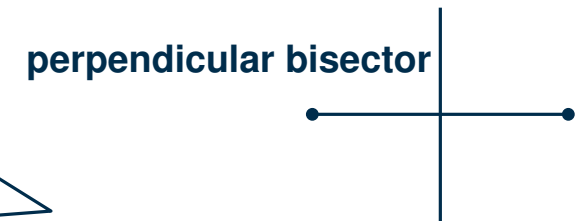
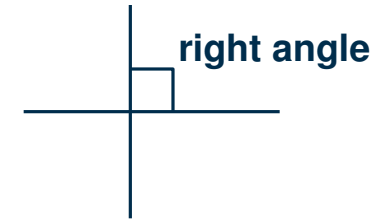
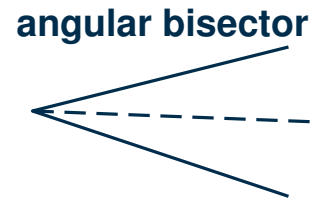
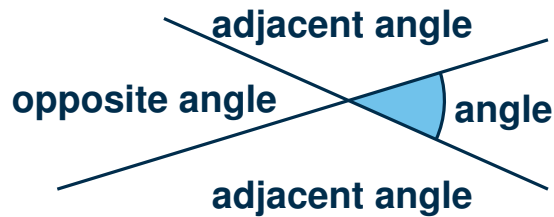
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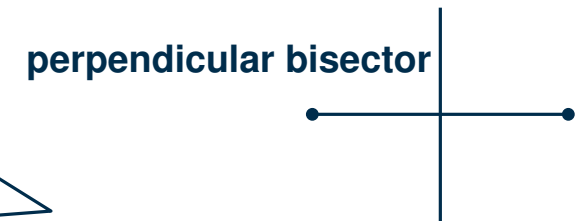
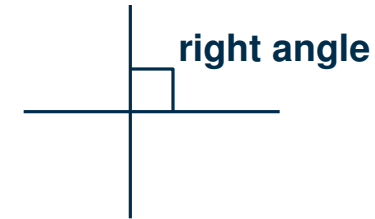
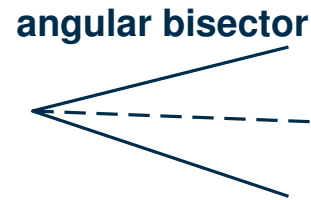
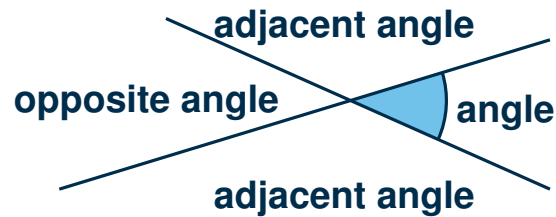
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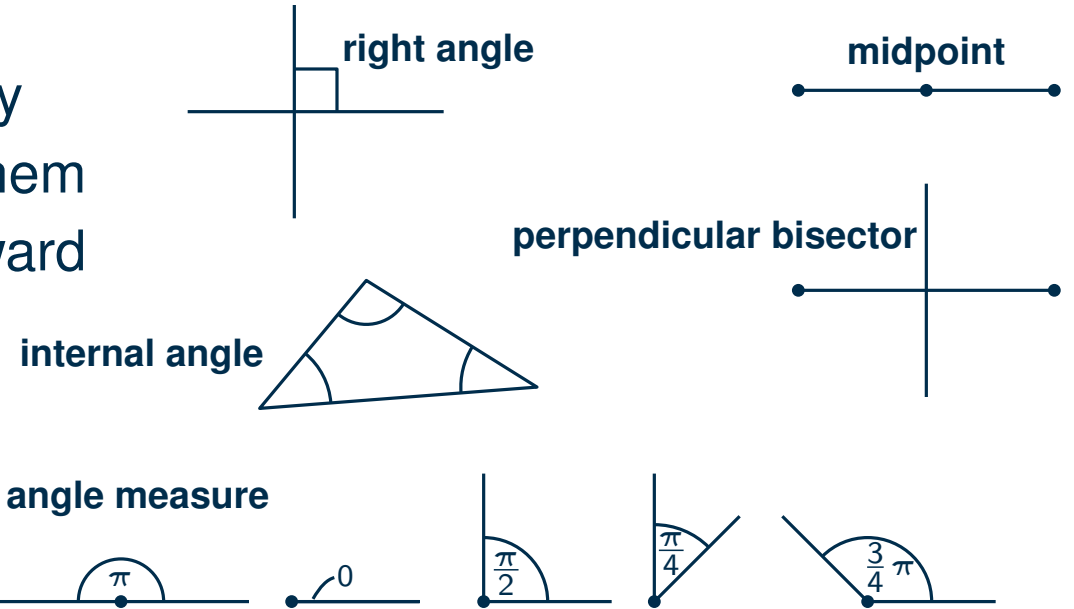
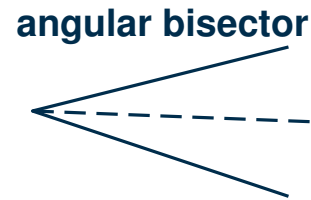
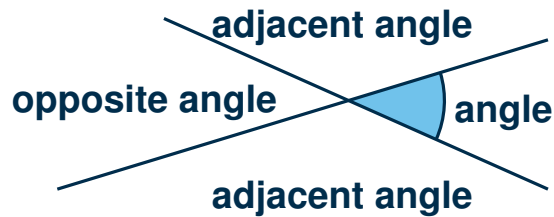
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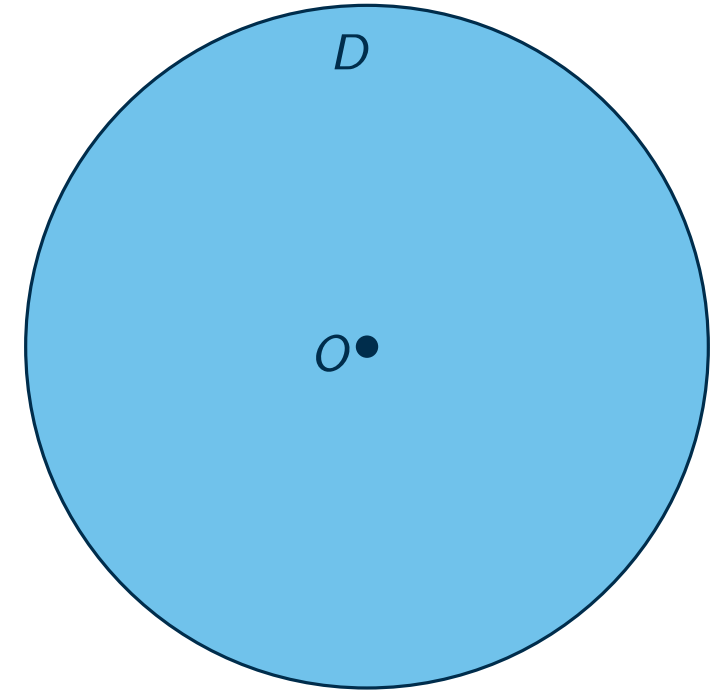
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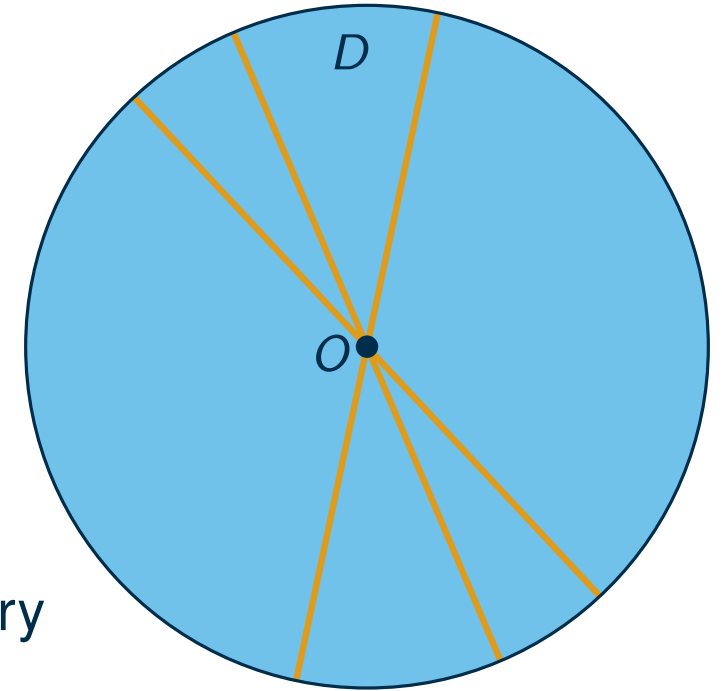
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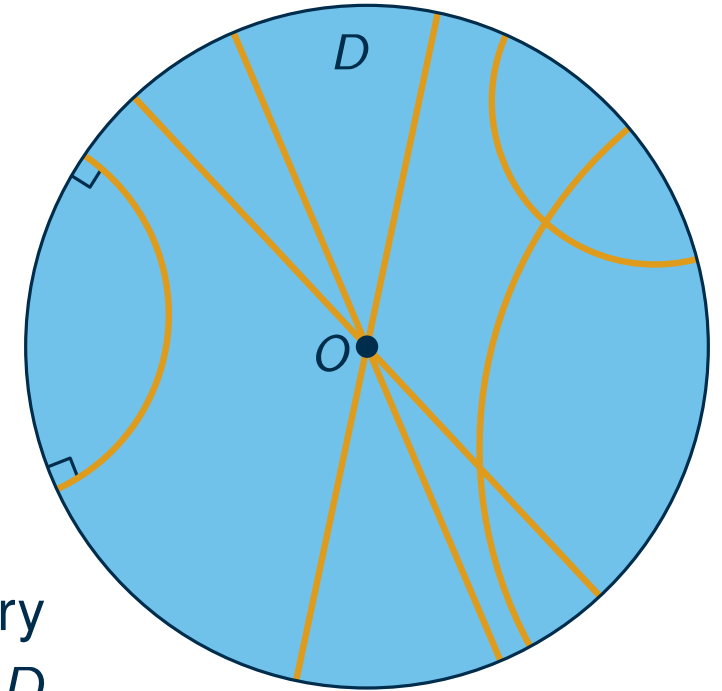
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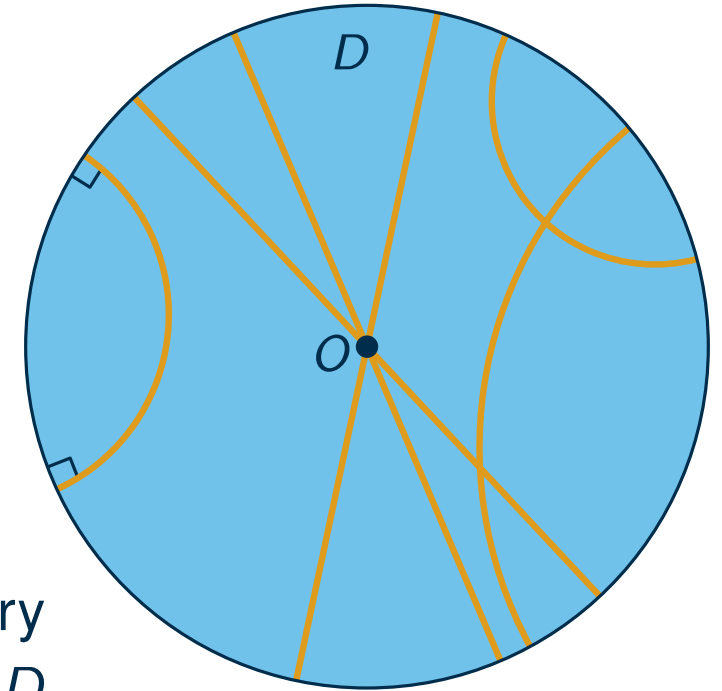
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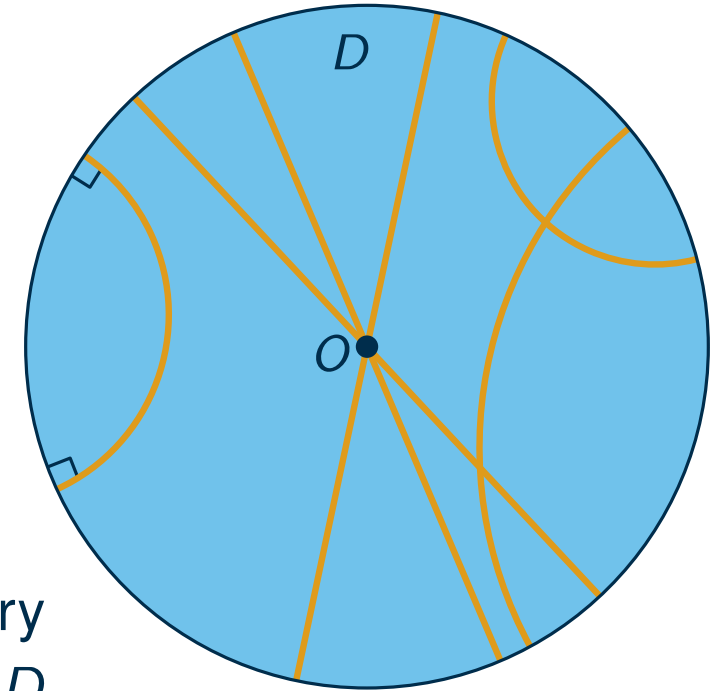
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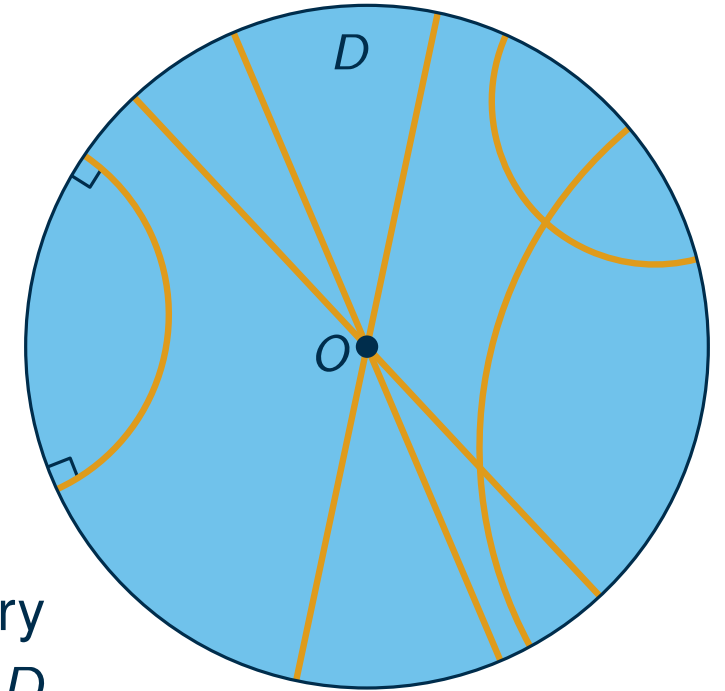
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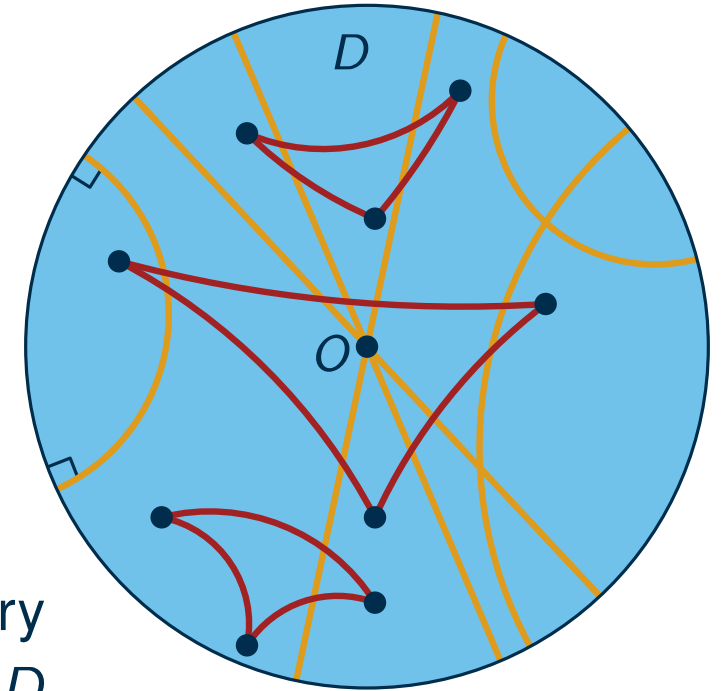
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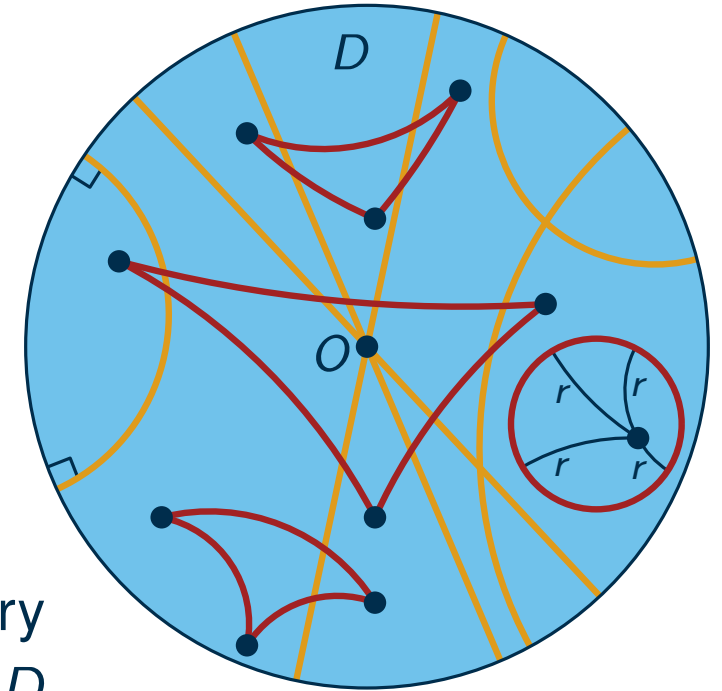
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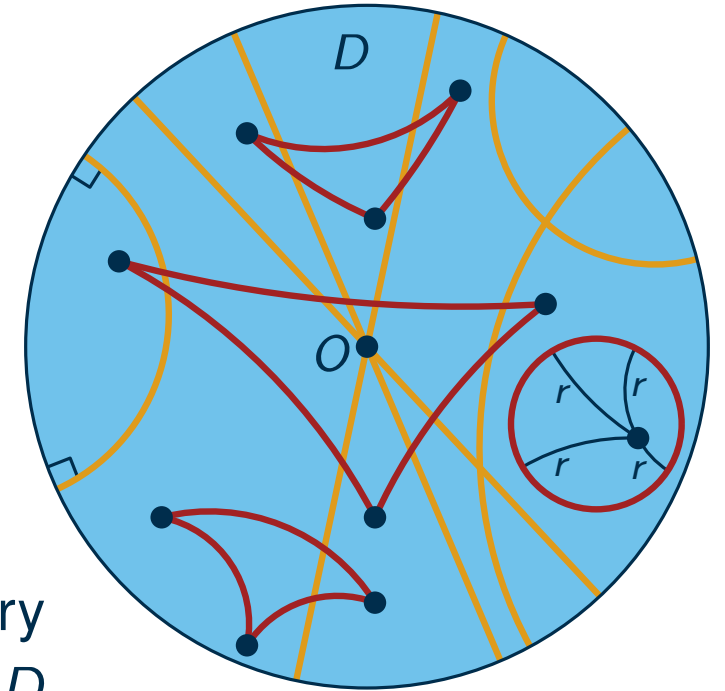
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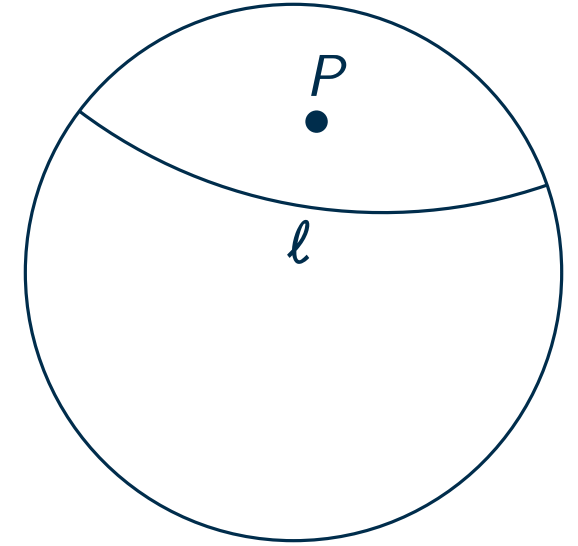
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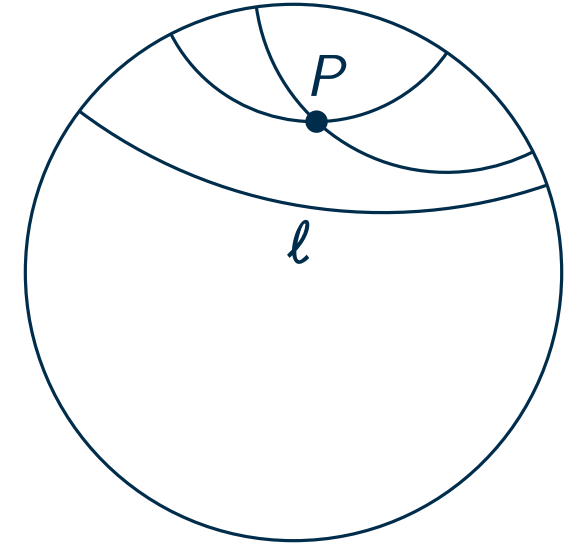
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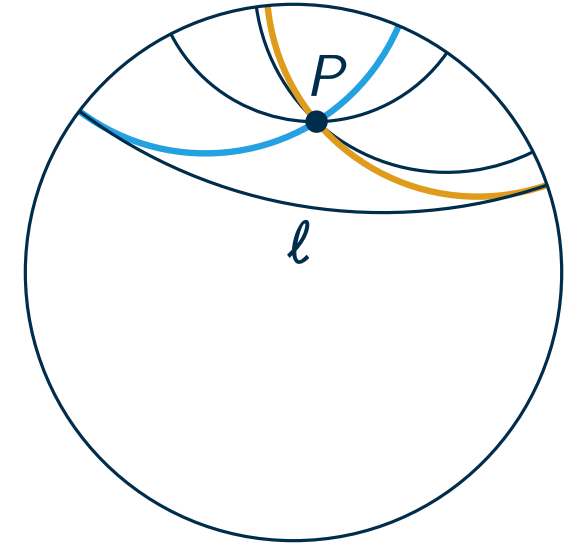
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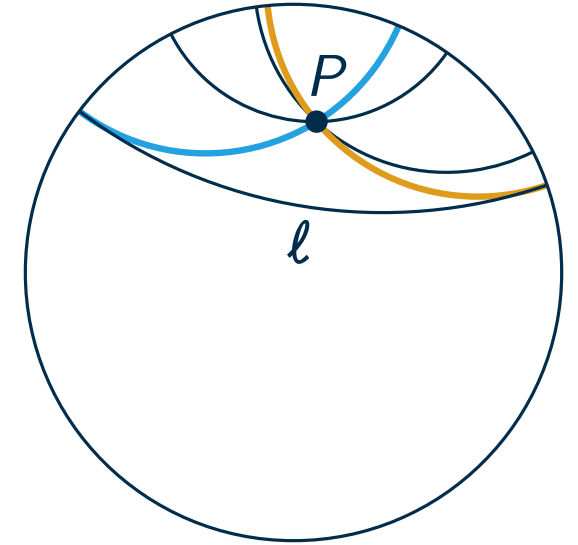
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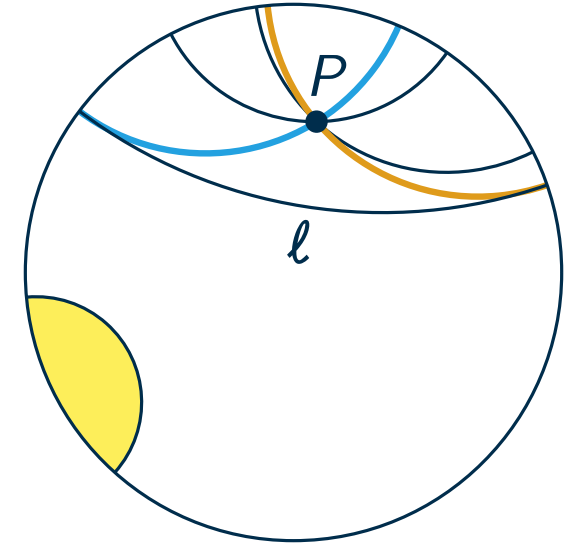
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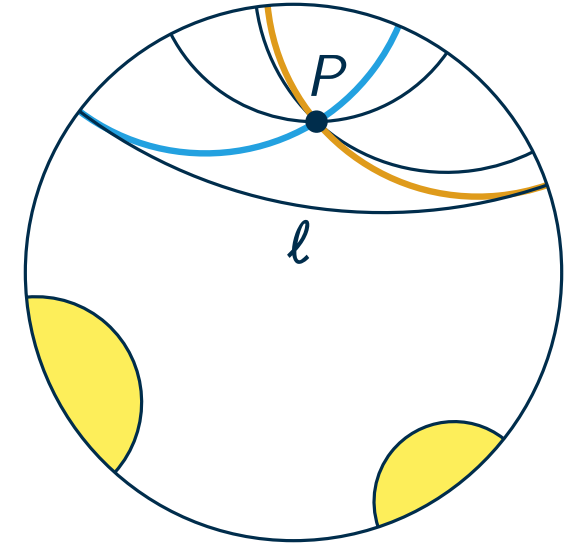
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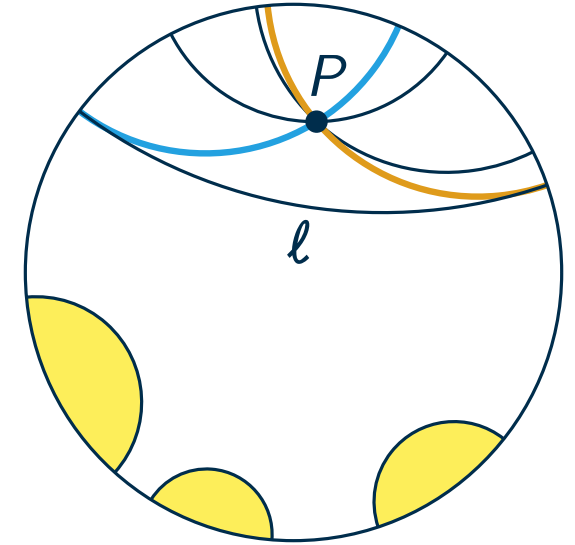
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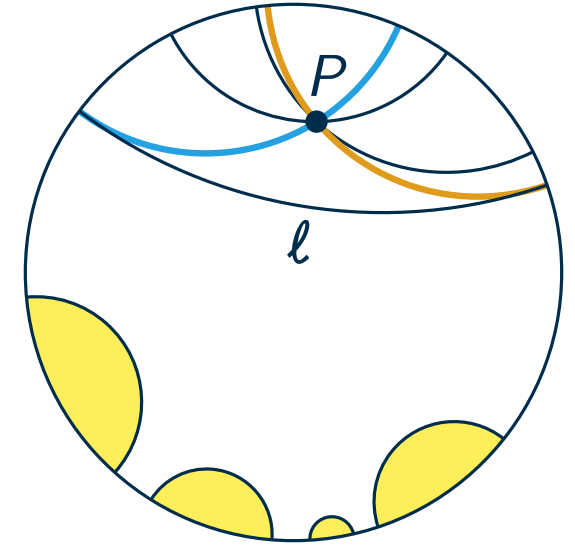
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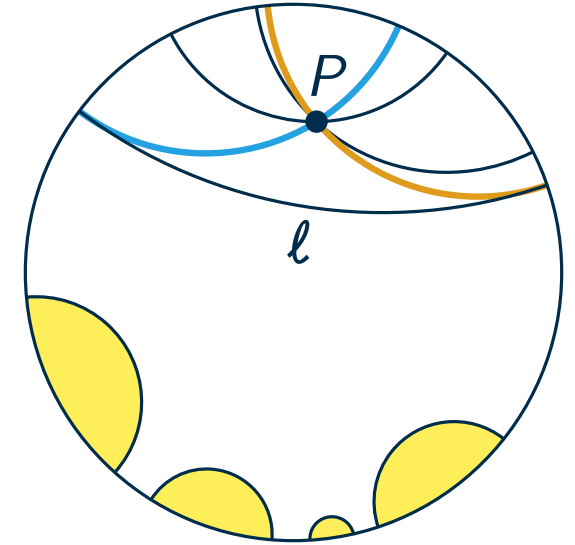
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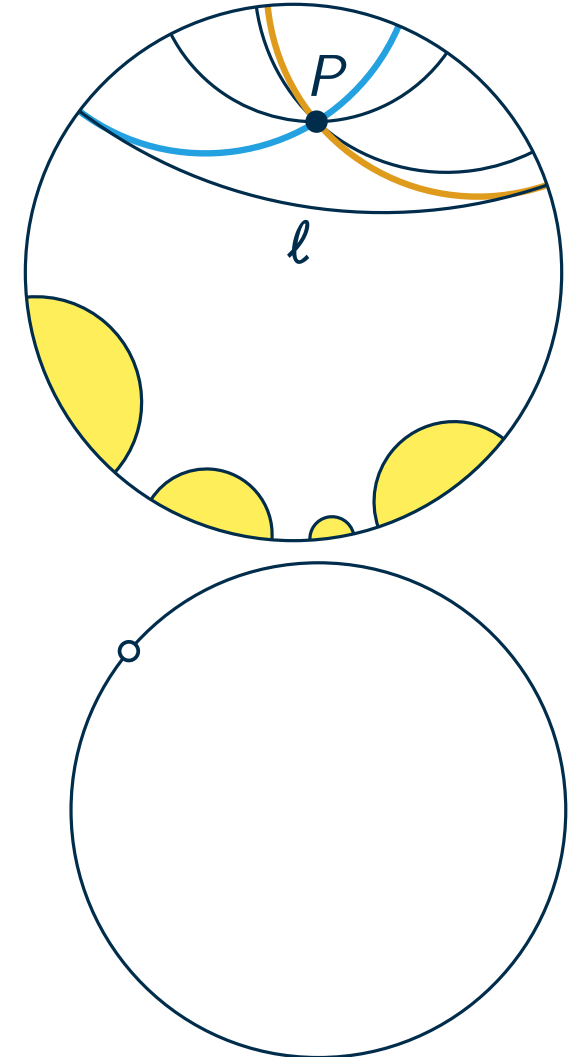
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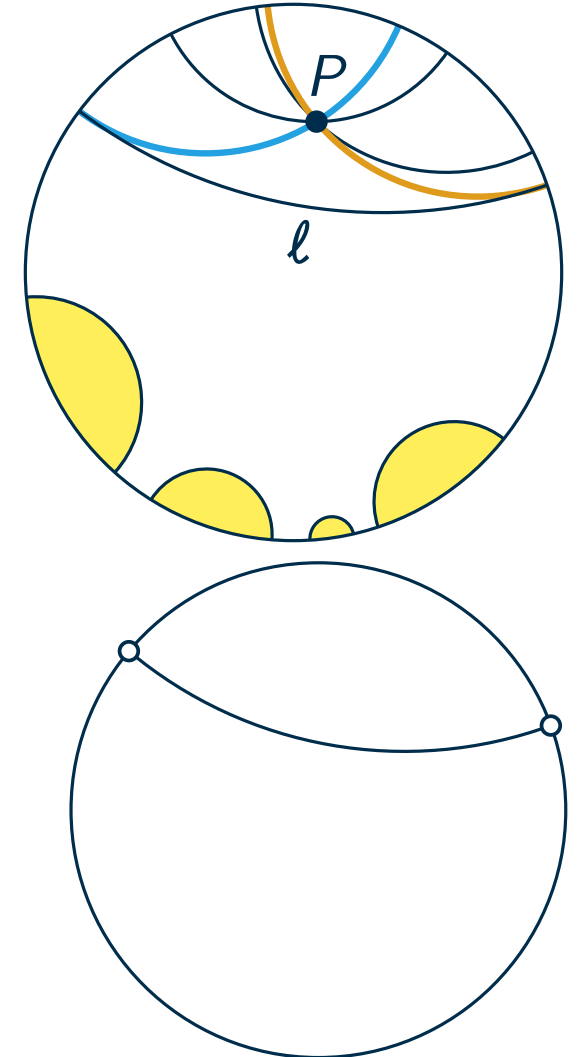
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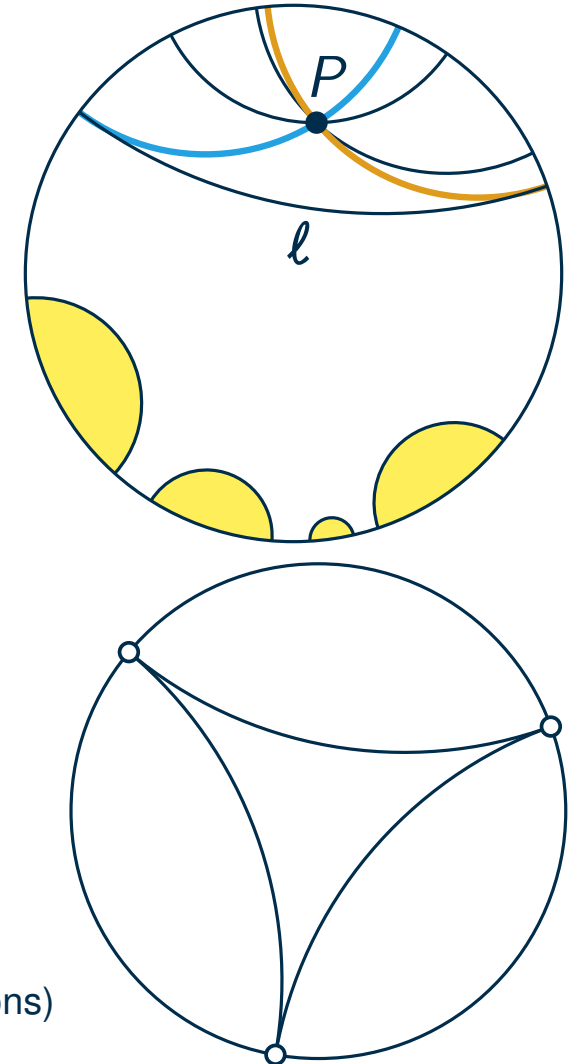
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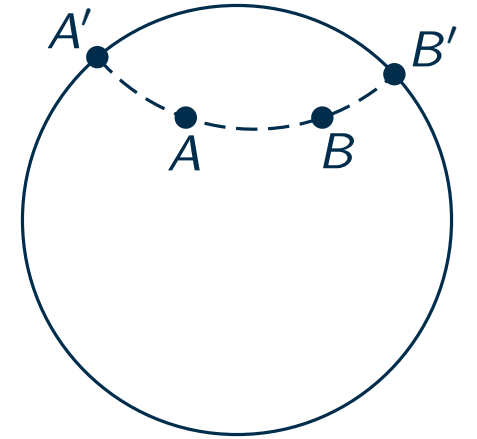
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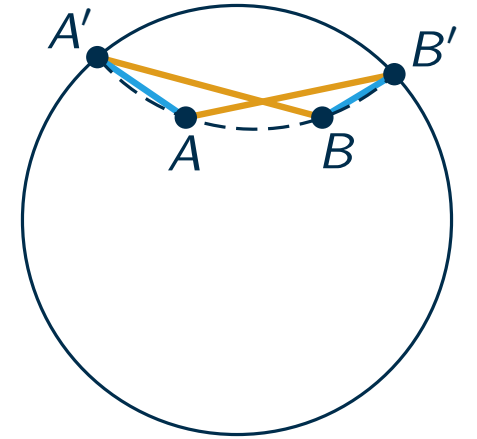
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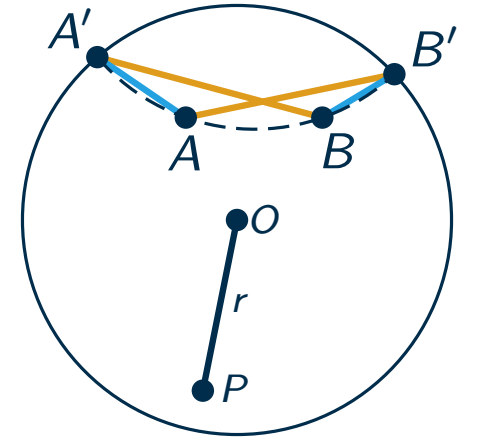
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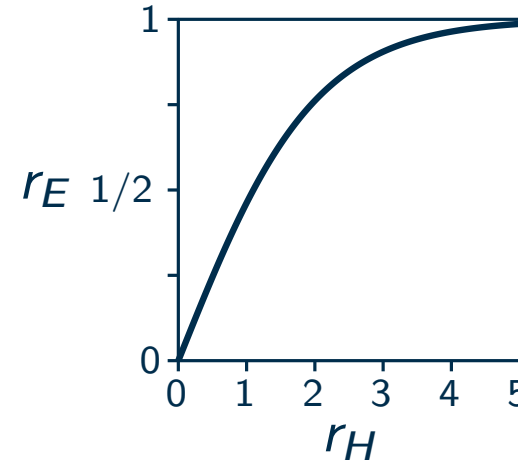
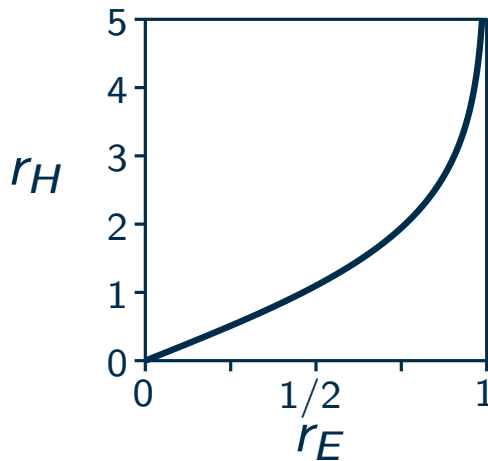


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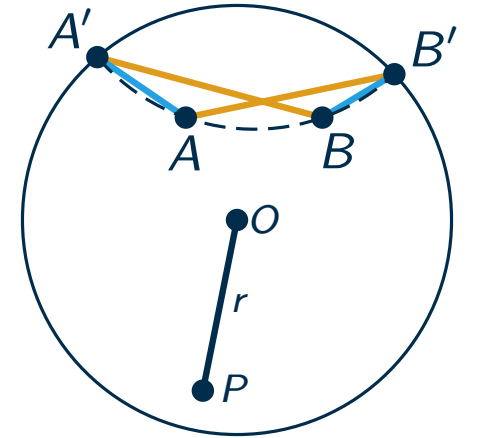
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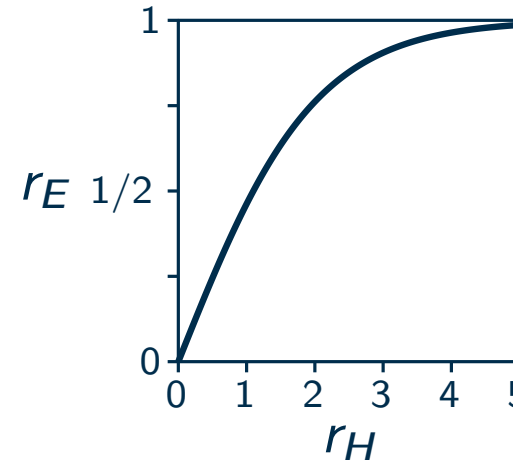
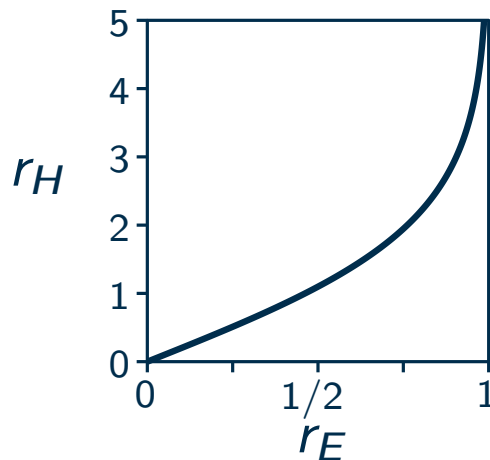
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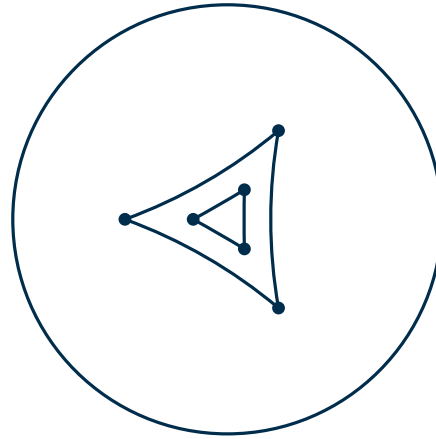
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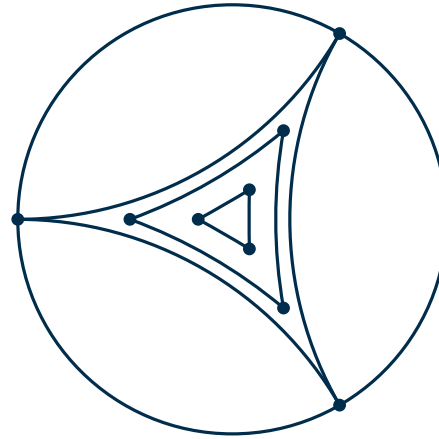
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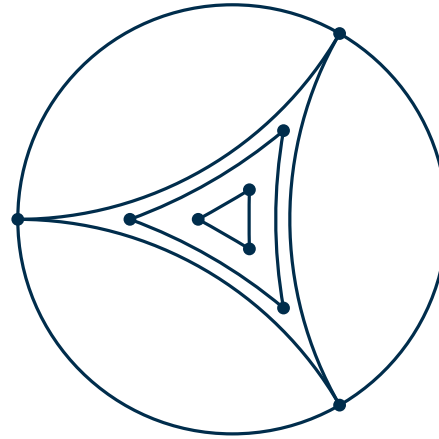
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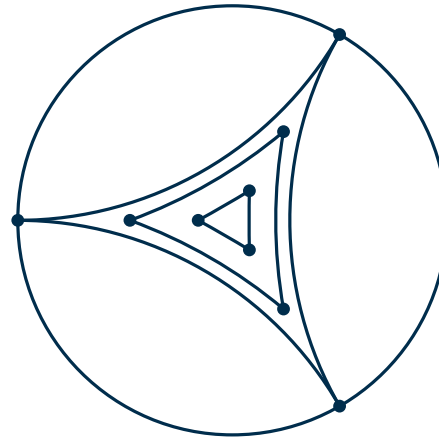
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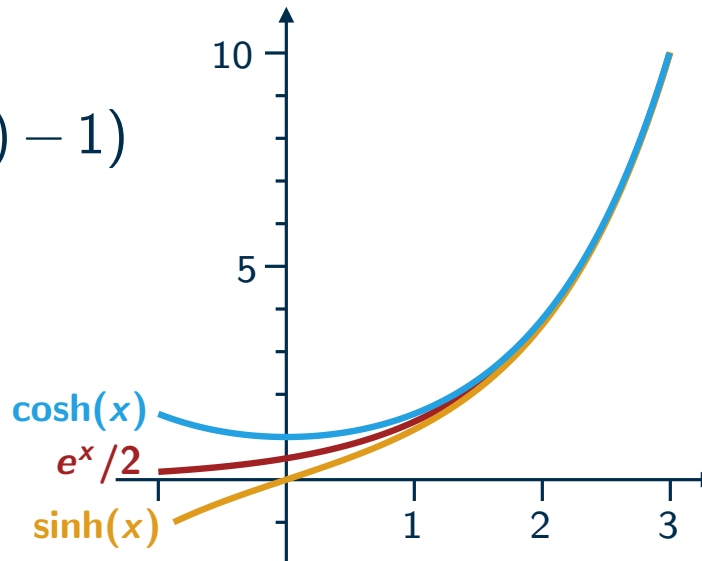


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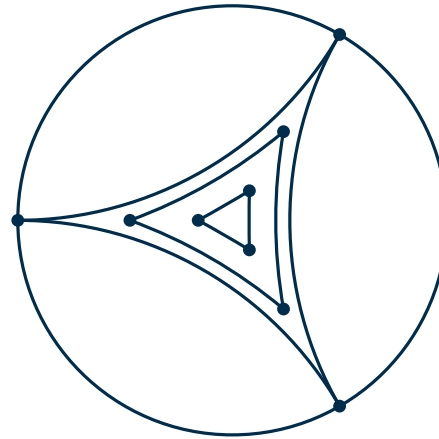
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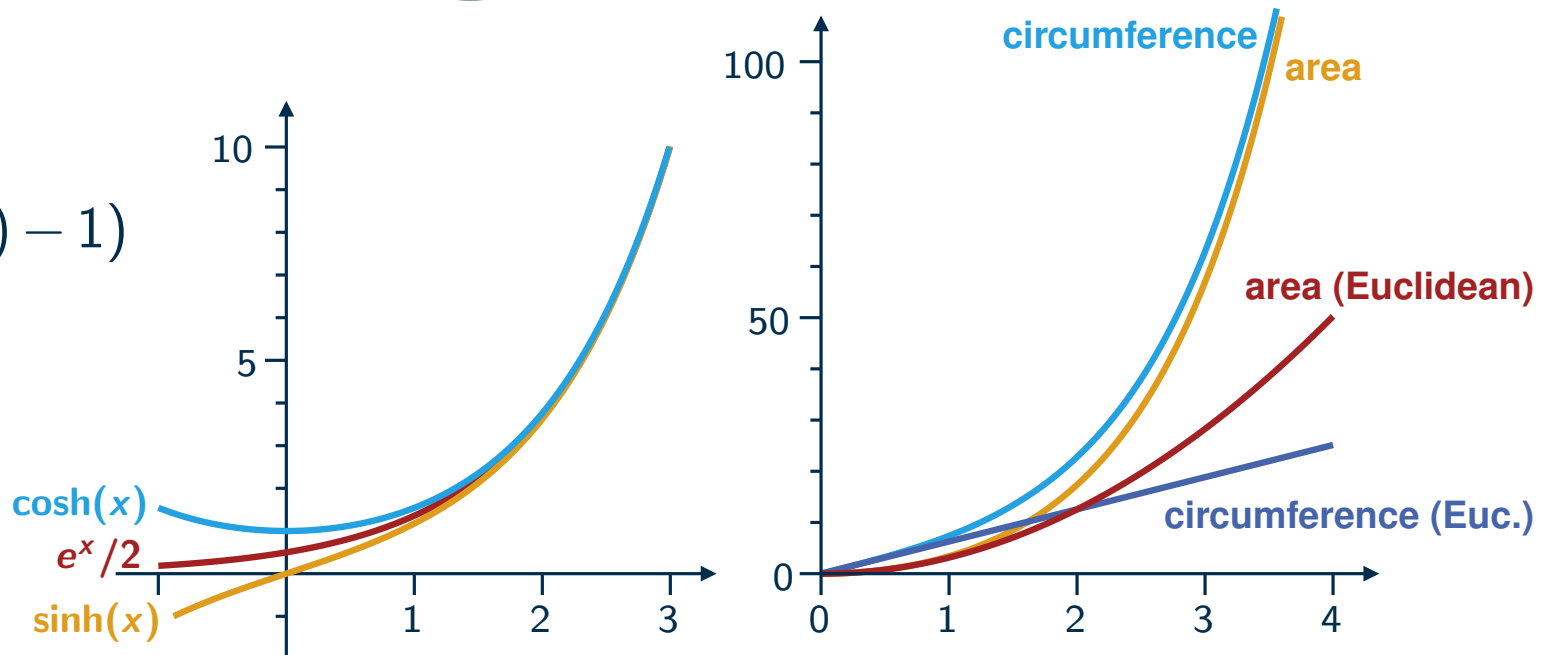


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“**yellow pages**”: many useful infos and formulas <http://www.maths.gla.ac.uk/wws/cabripages/hyperbolic/hyperbolic0.html>

Ipelets

- Poincaré disk <https://github.com/thobl/ipelets/tree/master/poincare>
- native polar coordinates <https://github.com/maxkatzmann/native-hyperbolic-ipelet>

Hipe hyperbolic Ipe (native polar) <https://github.com/maxkatzmann/Hipe>

HManim: hyperbolic extension of Manim <https://maxkatzmann.github.io/hmanim/>

Hyperbolic Games

- HyperRogue <http://www.roguetemple.com/z/hyper/>
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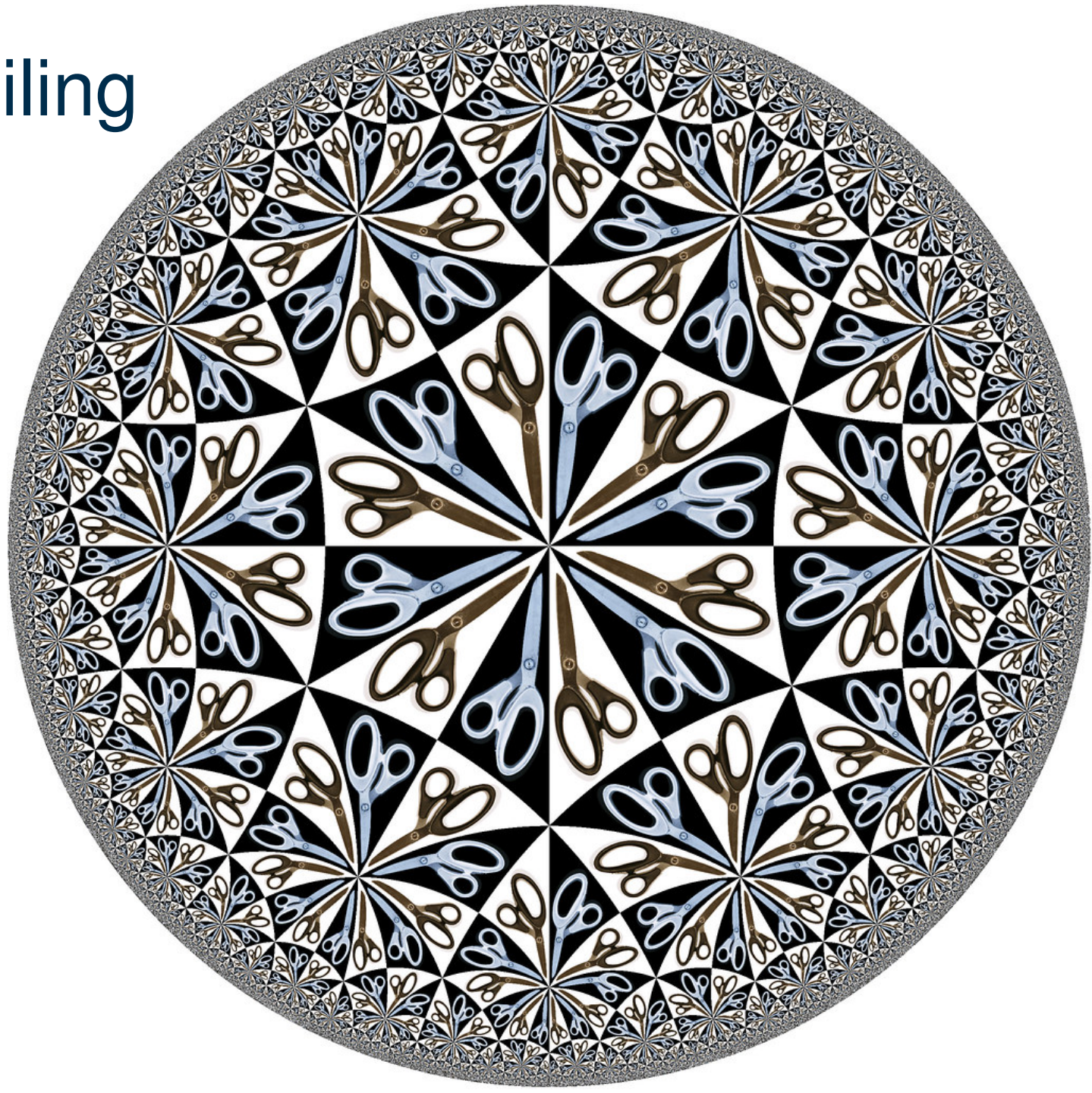
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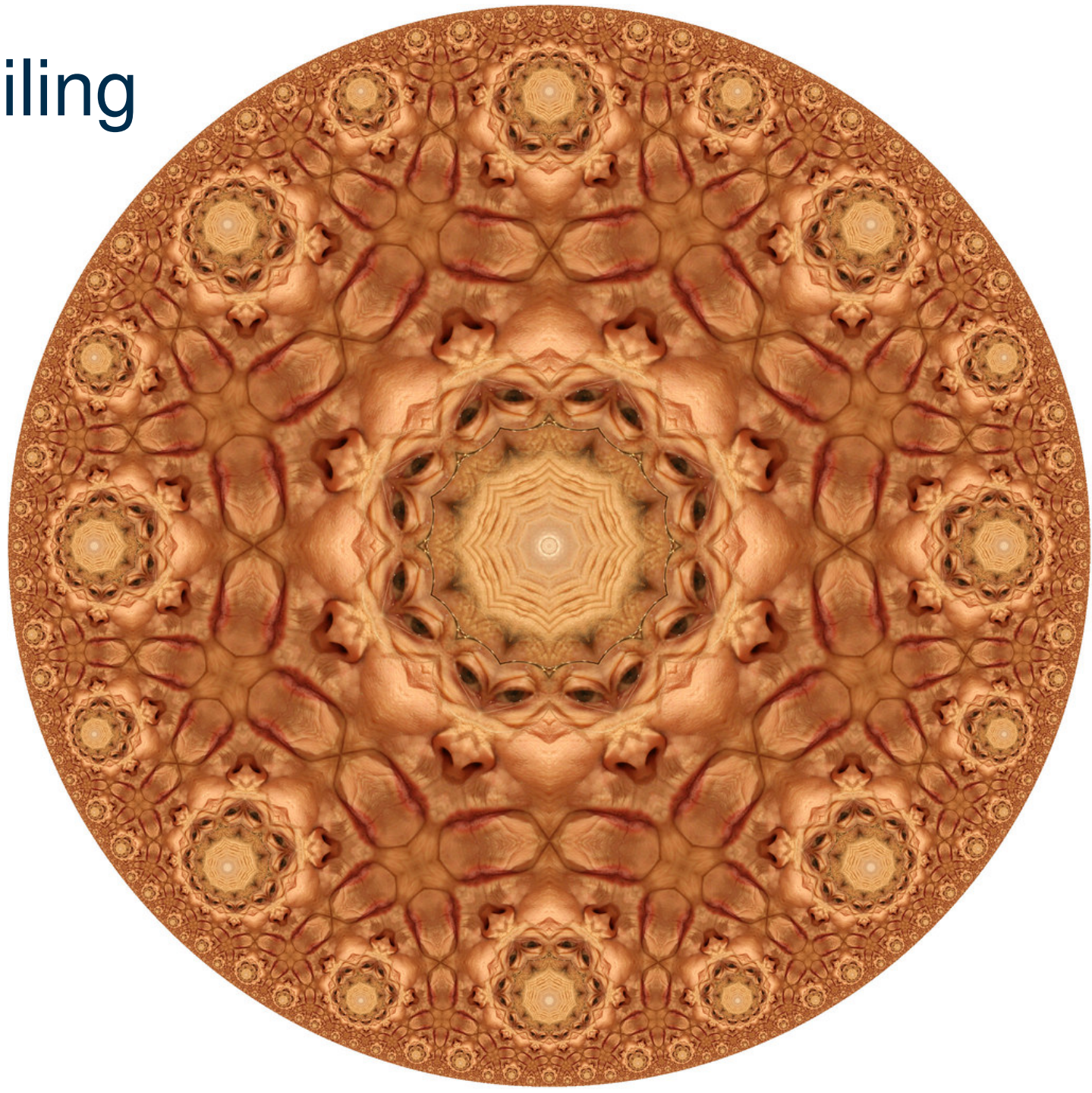
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