

An efficient probabilistic algorithm to compute the real dimension of a real algebraic set.

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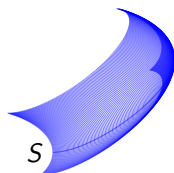
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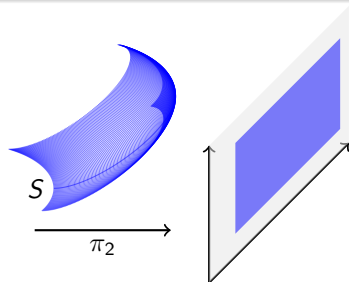
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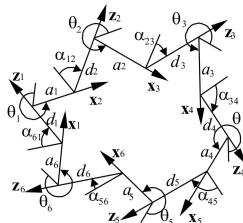
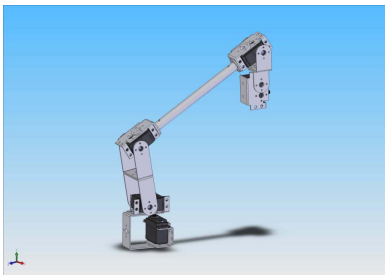
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Overconstraint analysis on spatial 6-link loops, Jin/Yang,2002

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General Observation

In the real case,

$$f_1(x) = \cdots = f_p(x) = 0 \iff f_1^2(x) + \cdots + f_p^2(x) = 0$$

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Probabilistic subroutines

- Generic change of variables
- One point per connected components and test of emptiness.

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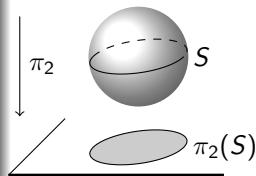
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- Checking procedures
- Grobner basis instead of geometric resolution
- Example reached : $n = 6$, $D = 8$, 130 sec.

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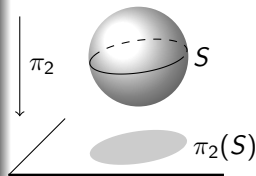
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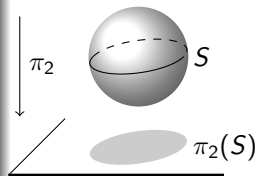
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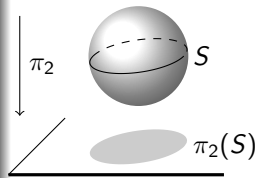
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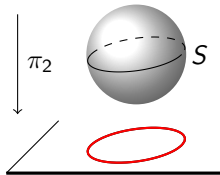
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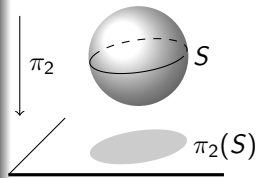
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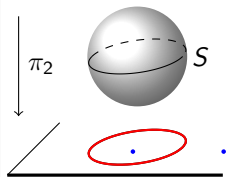
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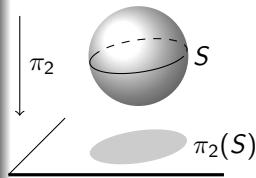
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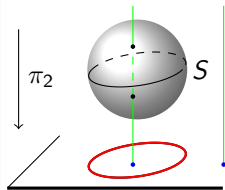
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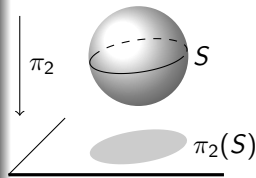
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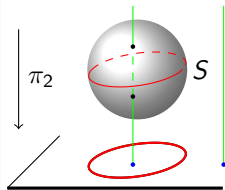
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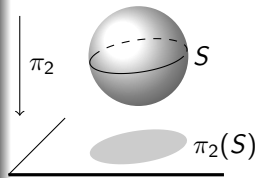
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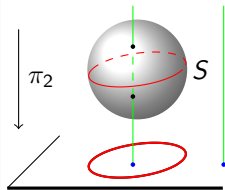
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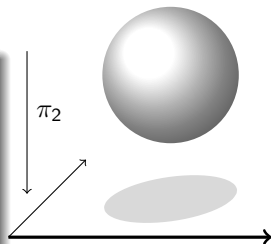


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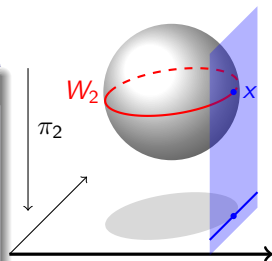
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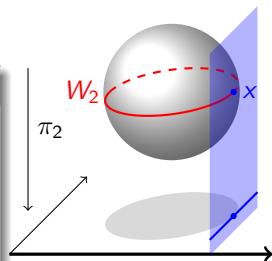
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Proposition

Hong/Safey (09,12), Safey/Schost (03), Greuet/Safey (13)

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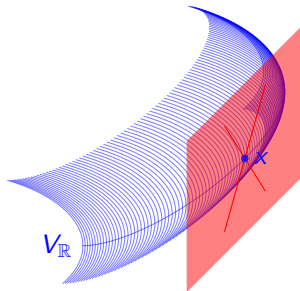
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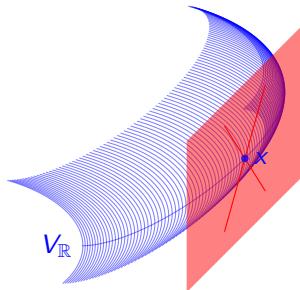
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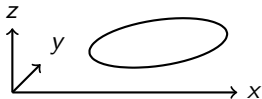
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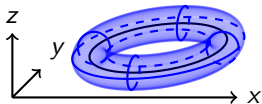
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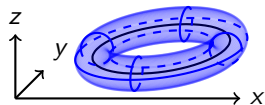
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Infinitesimal deformation and generic coordinates

- V_{ε} defined by $f - \varepsilon = 0$ with ε infinitesimal
 - V_{ε} is smooth
- Generic coordinates $\rightarrow$ random change of variables

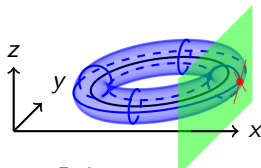
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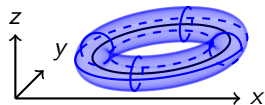
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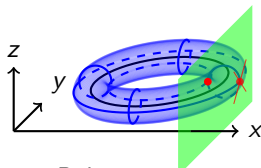
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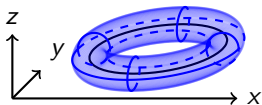
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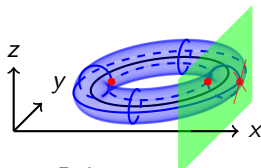
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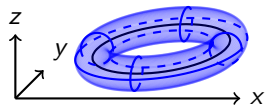
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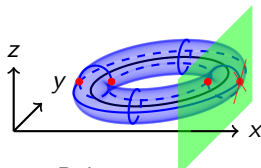
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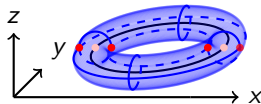
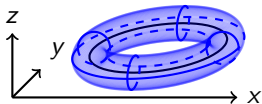
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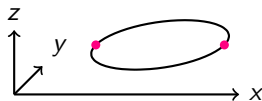
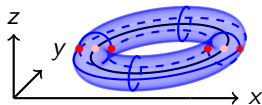
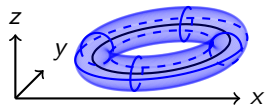
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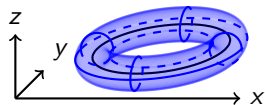
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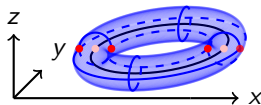
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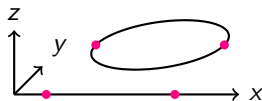
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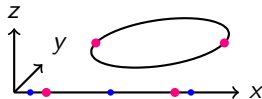
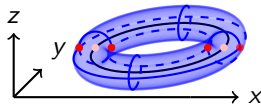
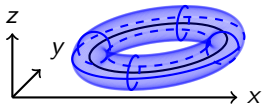
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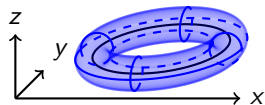
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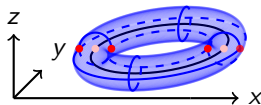
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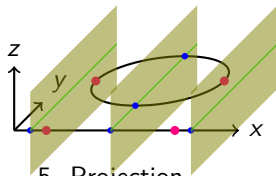
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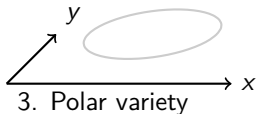
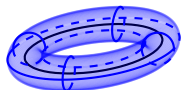
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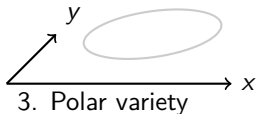
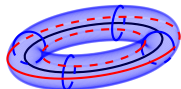
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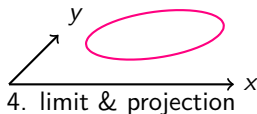
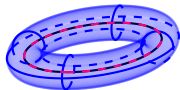
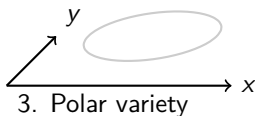
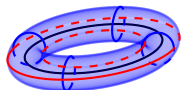
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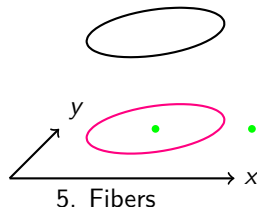
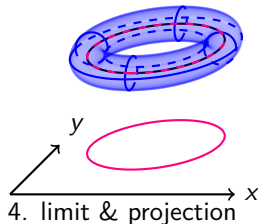
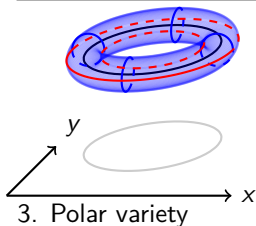
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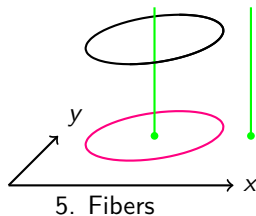
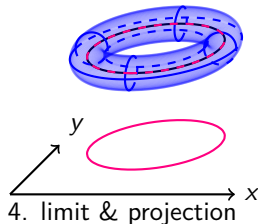
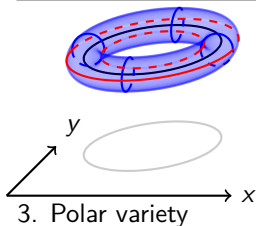
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5	2	2	3	0.08 sec.	2 sec.	53%	10%	37%	4
5	3	6	3	∞	213 sec.	1%	92%	7%	123
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	6	4	4	5500 sec.	95 sec.	0.4%	90%	9.6%	256
	7	4	5	∞	300 sec.	0.1%	93%	6.9%	384
II	3	6	1	1.06sec.	3.865 sec.	80%	7%	13%	3
	5	6	4	∞	8.5 hours	0%	100%	0%	163
III	3	4	0	1.74 sec.	5.5 sec.	31%	0.7%	68.3%	3
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	5	4	0	∞	7680 sec.	10%	0%	90%	3

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