

Title: Local Quantum Codes from Subdivided Manifolds

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Abstract: For $n \geq 3$, we demonstrate the existence of quantum codes which are local in dimension n with V qubits, distance $V^{\{(n-1)/n\}}$, and dimension $V^{\{(n-2)/n\}}$, up to a $\text{polylog}(V)$ factor. The distance is optimal up to the polylog factor. The dimension is also optimal for this distance up to the polylog factor. The proof combines the existence of asymptotically good quantum codes, a procedure to build a manifold from a code by Freedman-Hastings, and a quantitative embedding theorem by Gromov-Guth.

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Local Codes from Subdivided Manifolds

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• $\dim(\mathcal{C}) = \dim(\ker H_1 / \text{Im } H_2^T)$

• $\text{dist}(\mathcal{C}) = \min \left\{ |v| : \begin{array}{l} v \in \ker H_1 / \text{Im } H_2^T \\ \text{or} \\ v \in \ker H_2 / \text{Im } H_1^T \end{array} \right\}$

Hamming size (with an arrow pointing to $|v|$)



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Thm (Panteleev-Kalachev, Leverrier-Zénor)

For any $V \geq 1$ there is a $\mathcal{C}'$

with $\text{size}(\mathcal{C}') > V$

and $\text{dist}(\mathcal{C}') \gtrsim \text{size}(\mathcal{C}')$

" $\mathcal{C}'$ is asymptotically good"

Thm 1: There is a local code with

$$\text{size}(\mathcal{C}) = V^{\text{poly} \log(V)}$$

$$\text{dist}(\mathcal{C}) \gtrsim V^{2/3}$$



$$\text{dist}(\mathcal{C}) \approx V^{\frac{1}{d}}$$

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Conjecture: For any $d \geq 3$, we have

a local* code $\mathcal{C}$ s.t

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Geometry of Manifolds

Let M be a triangulated d -dimensional manifold

We let $\text{vol}(M) = \#$ of d -simplices in M

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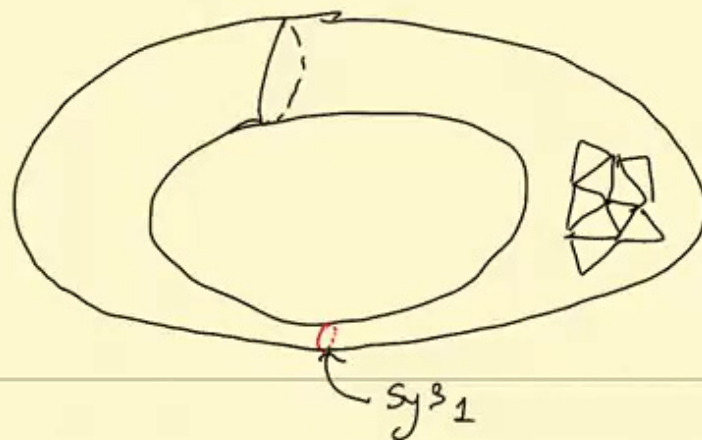
$\text{Sys}_k(M)$ is the minimum number of k -simplices needed to represent a k -cycle that



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to represent a k -gon
is not a k -boundary

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$$\text{Vol}(M) \approx V$$

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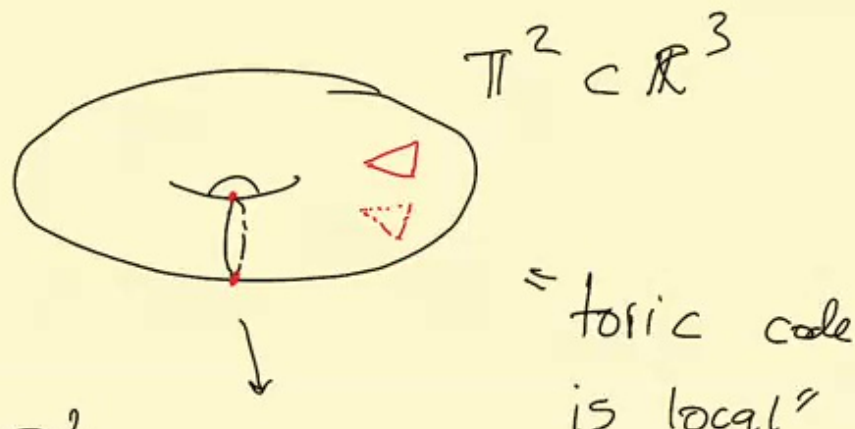
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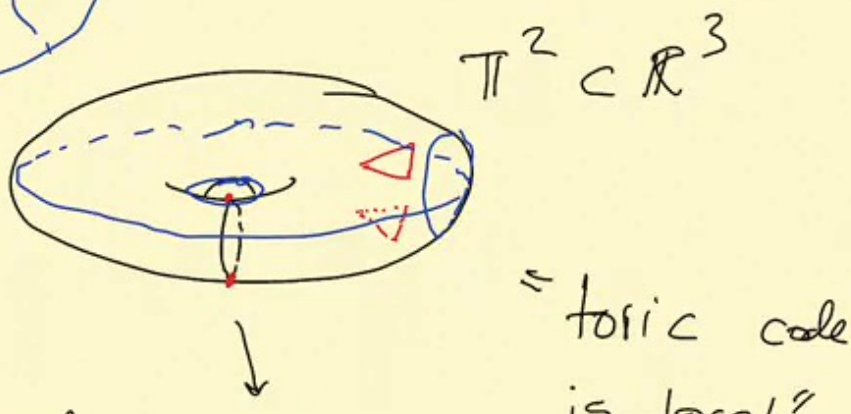
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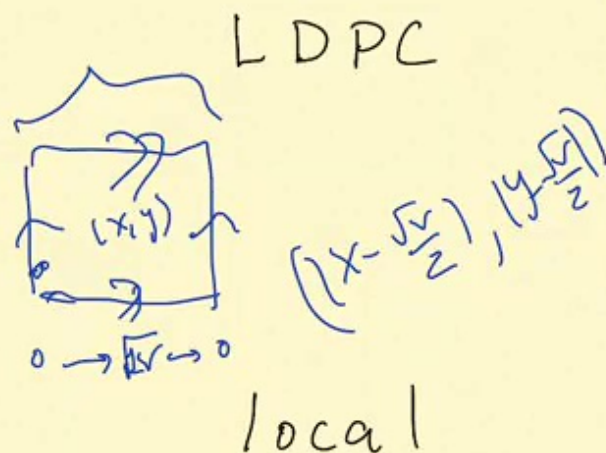
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Proof idea for thm 1

Step 1: $\mathcal{C}' = \text{asympt. good code}$ $\rightsquigarrow$

$$M, \text{Vol } M = V, \quad \text{sys}_k(M) \approx \text{sys}_{d-k}(M) \approx V$$

Step 2: Find a coarse map, P ,
from M to a
2-dimensional complex X

Step 3: Find a map, I , from

$\rightsquigarrow$ to a ball in $\mathbb{R}^3$



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Step 3 Find a map, $\downarrow$, from

X to a ball in $\mathbb{R}^3$

with small preimage S ,

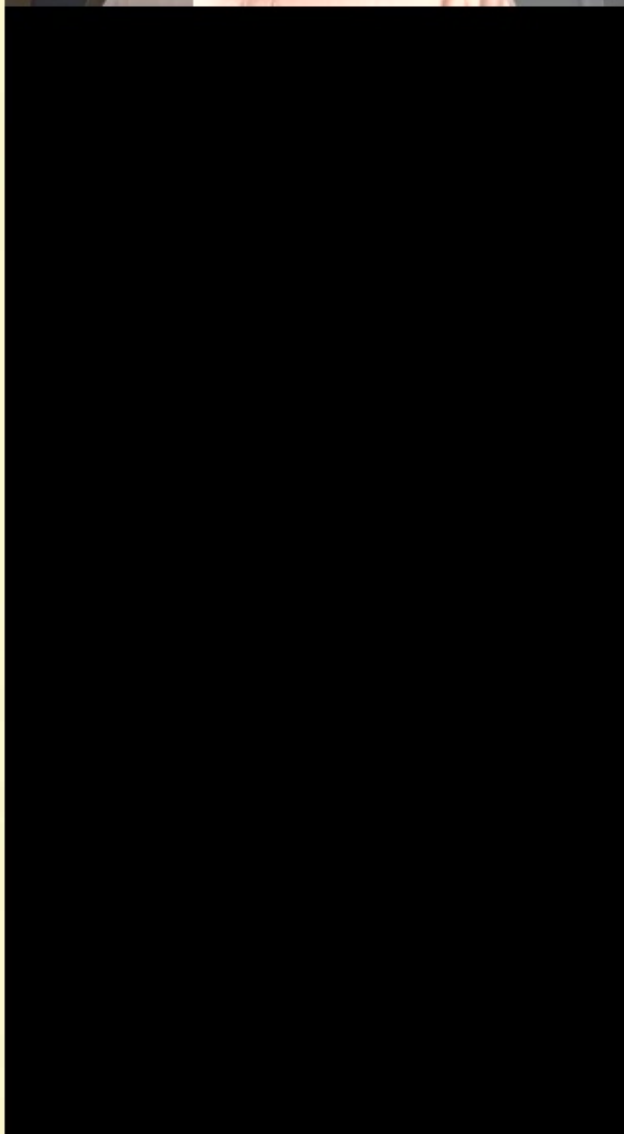
but image of each simplex
is large.

Step 4: Subdivide M to $\tilde{M}$
Subdivide X to $\tilde{X}$ until,

$$\tilde{M} \xrightarrow[\text{coarse}]{P} \tilde{X} \xrightarrow[\text{coarse}]{I} \mathbb{R}^3$$



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new code C



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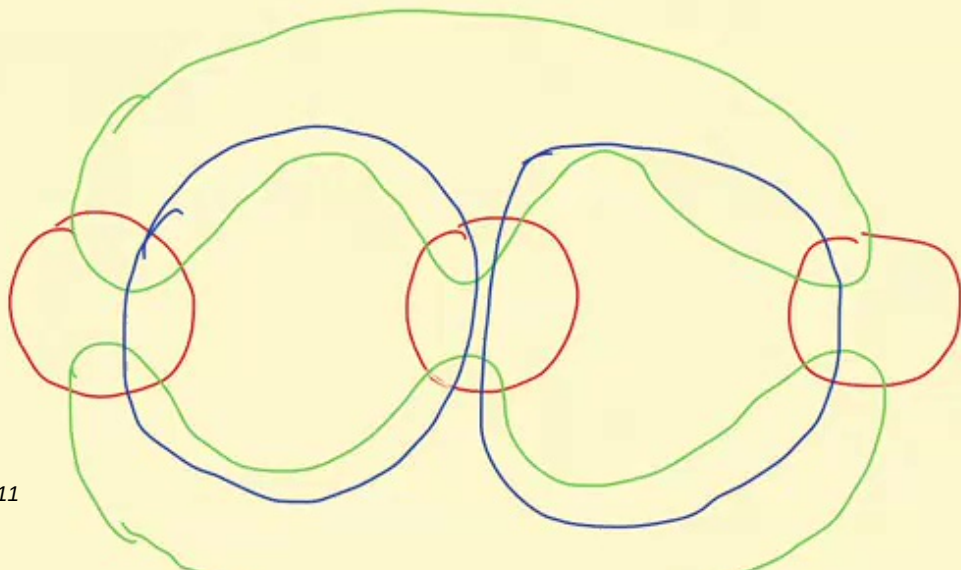
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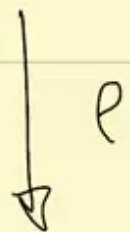
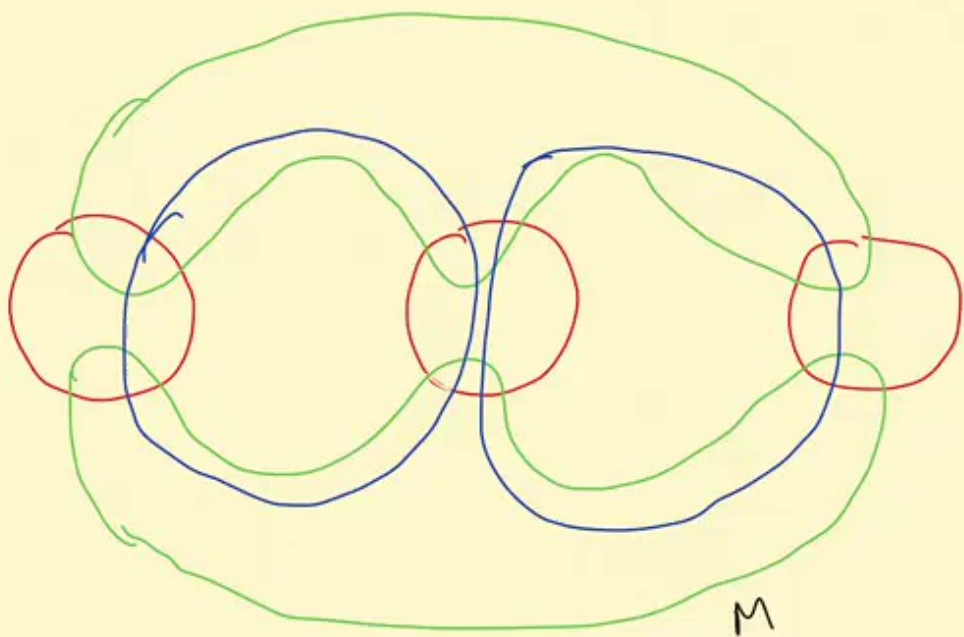
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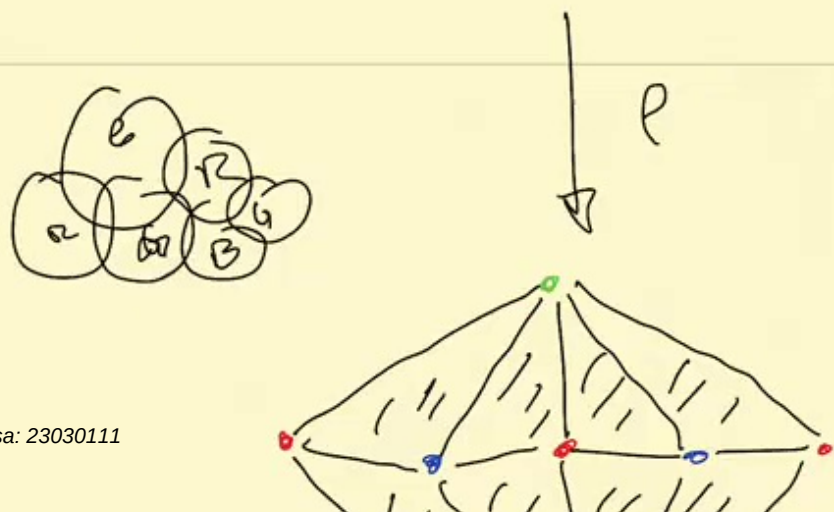
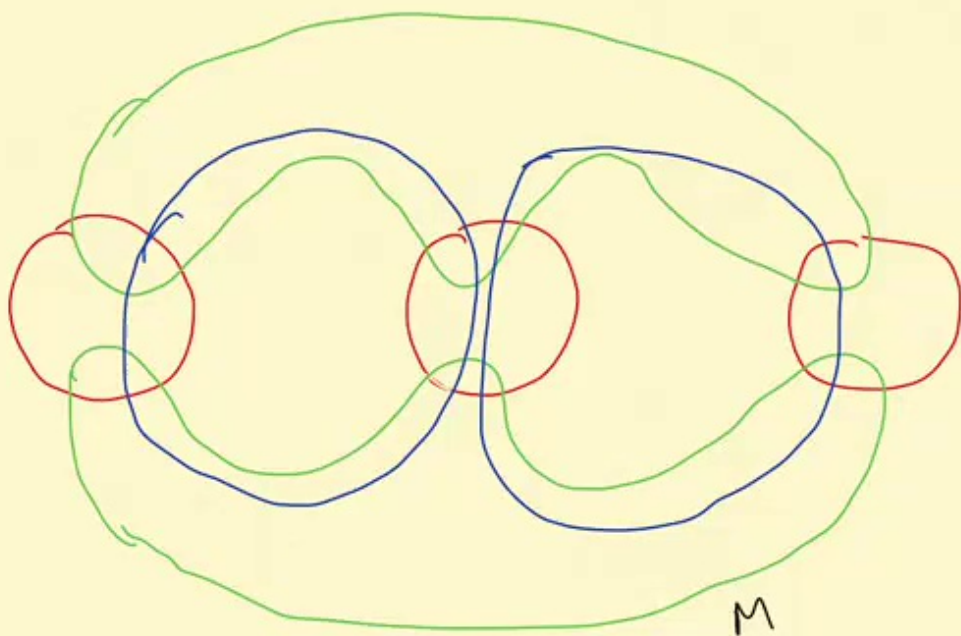


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How to find map from X to $\mathbb{R}^3$

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to get map with small pre-images:

Map each vertex of X to
a random point in the
boundary of a ball of volume V^3 .

Extend I linearly to simplices



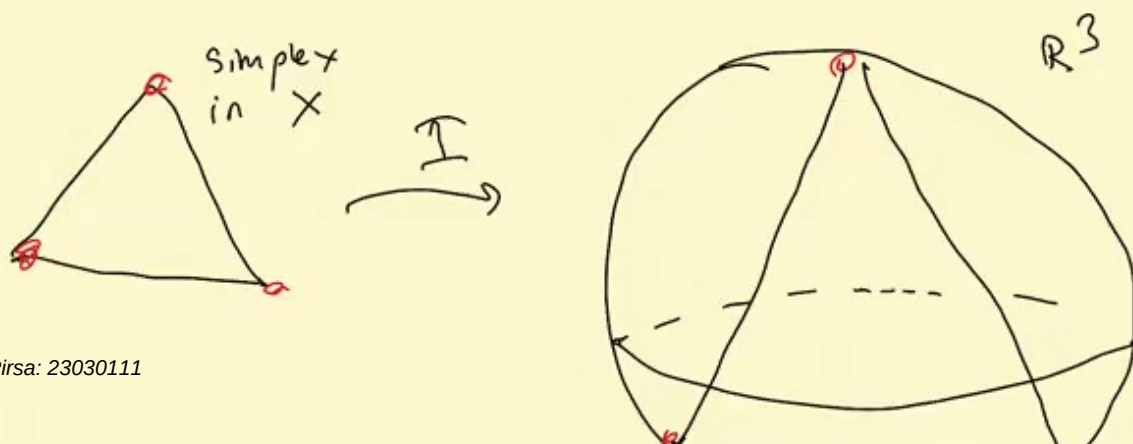
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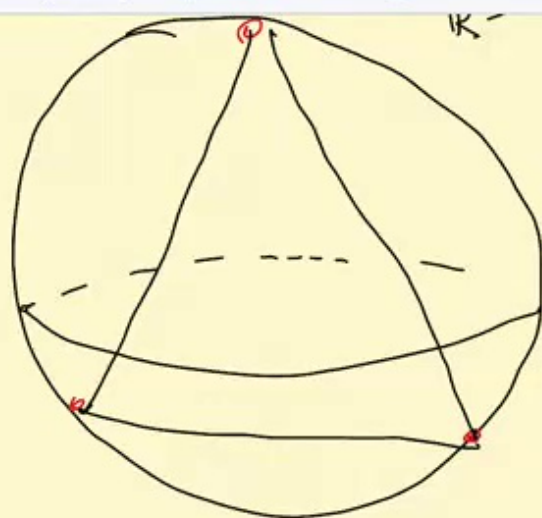
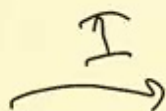
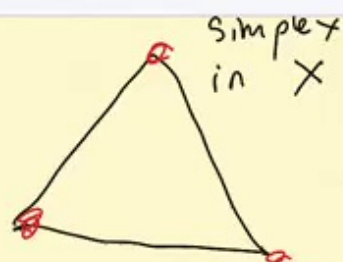


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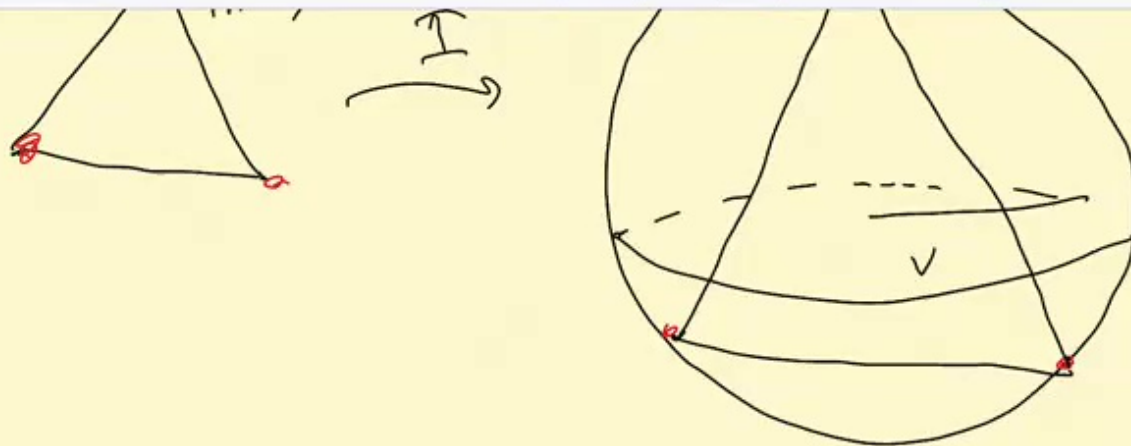
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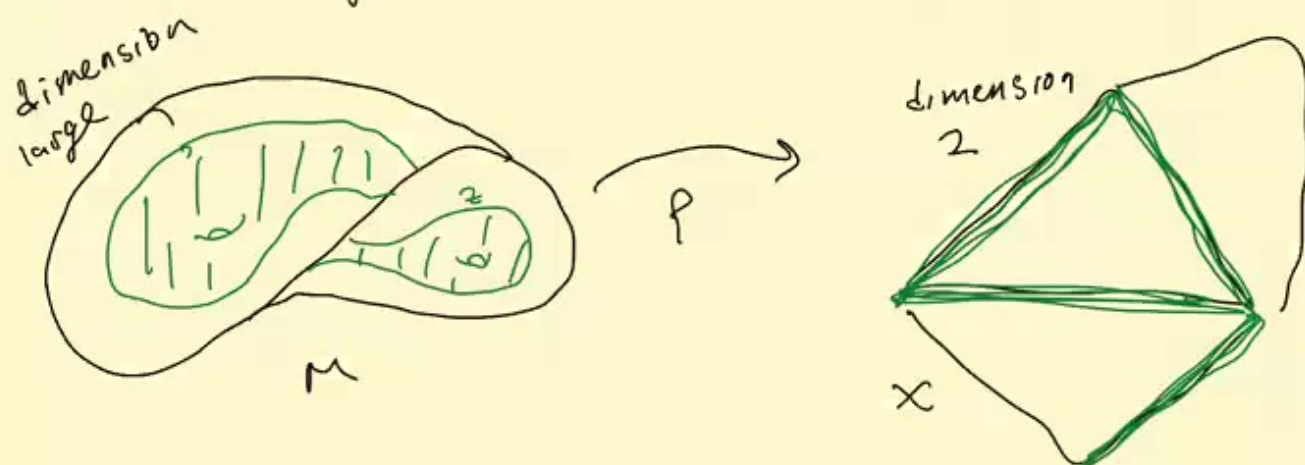
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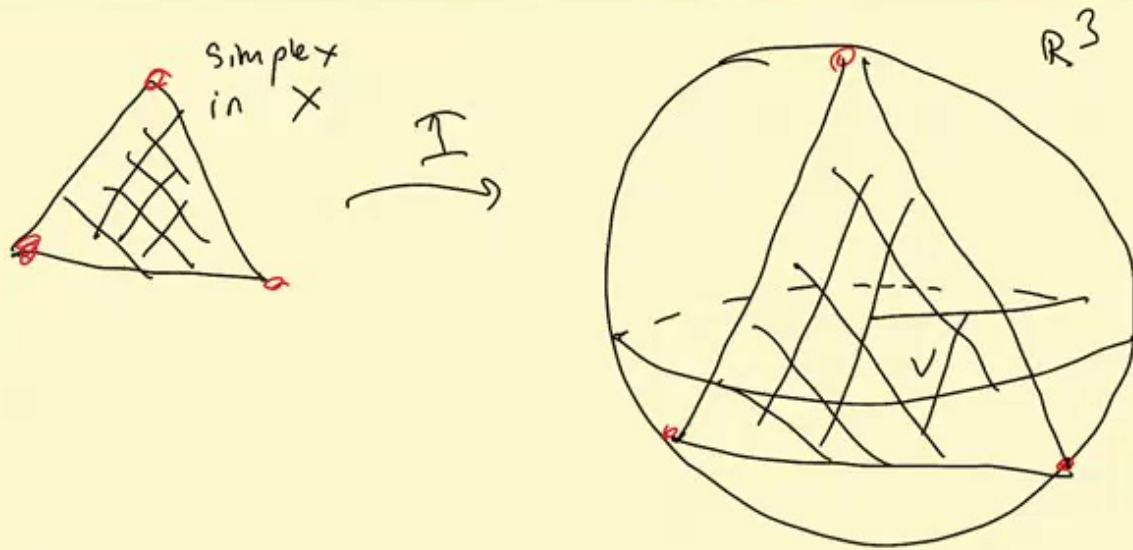
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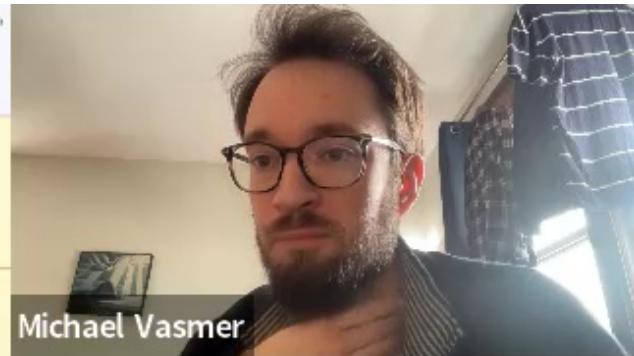
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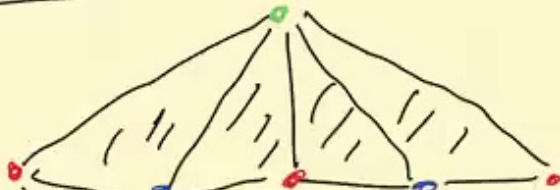
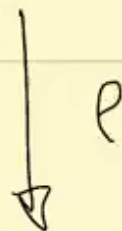
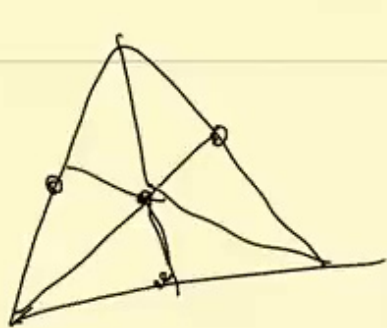
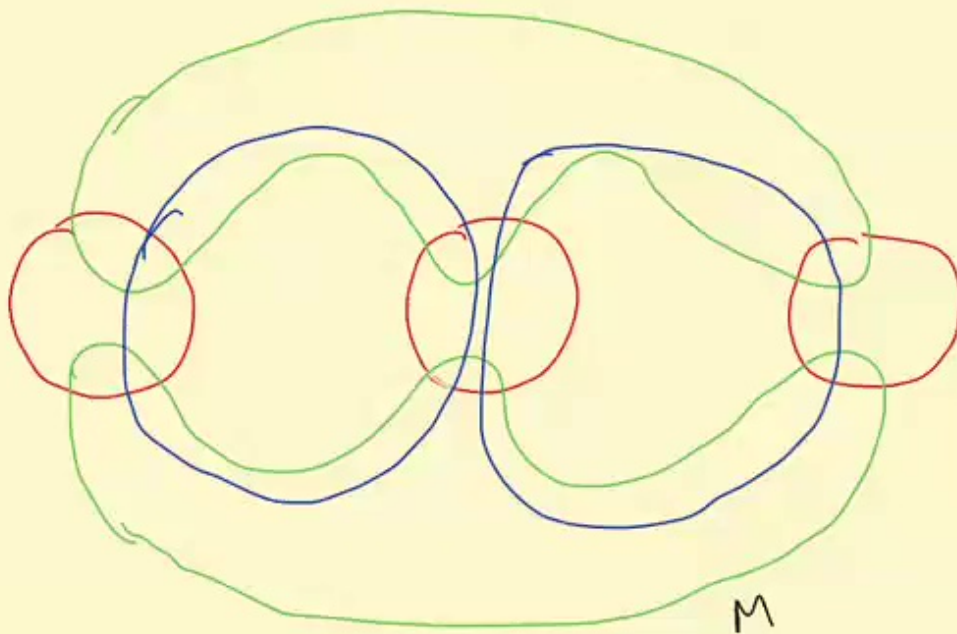


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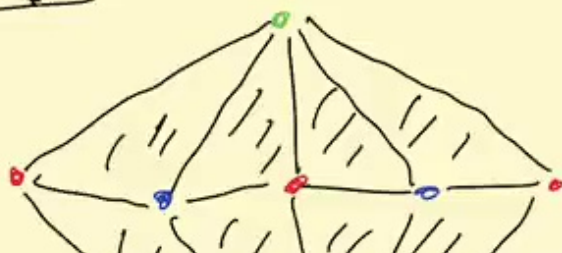
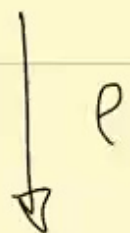
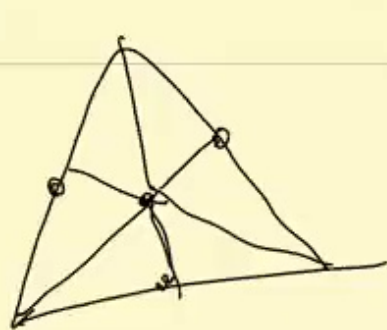
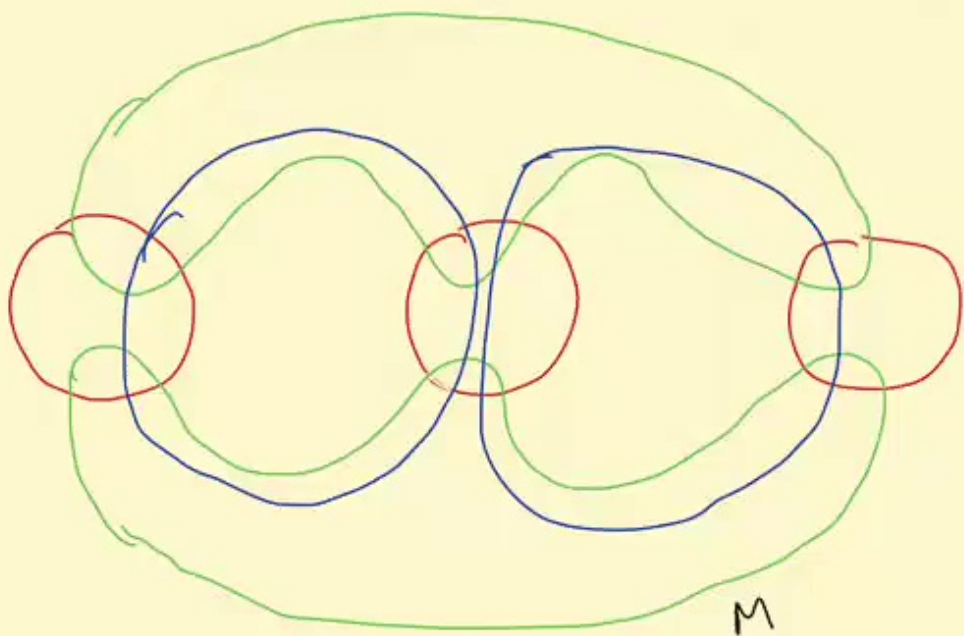
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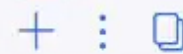
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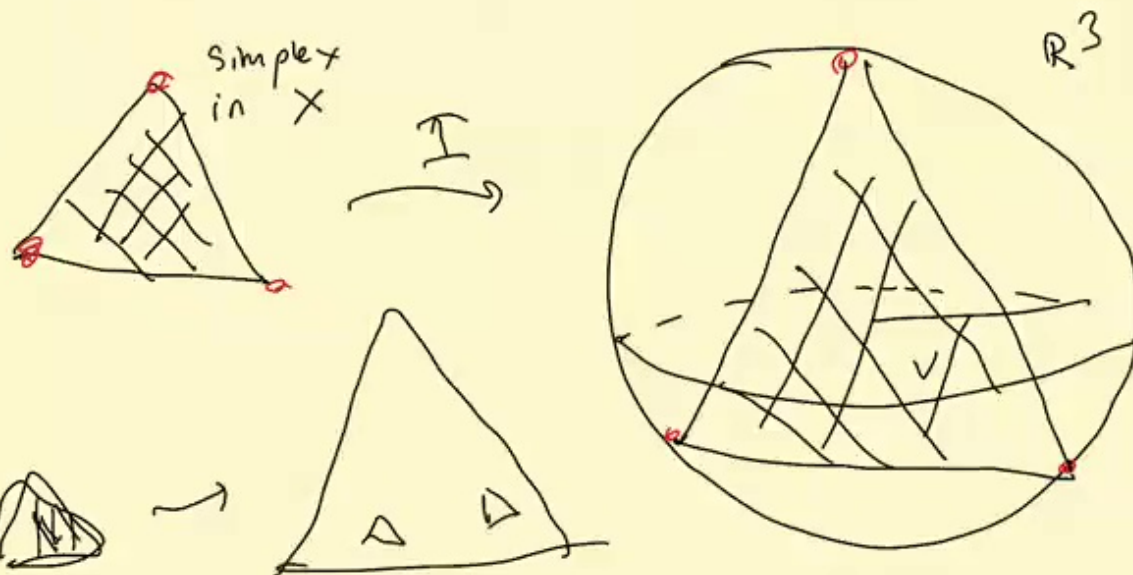


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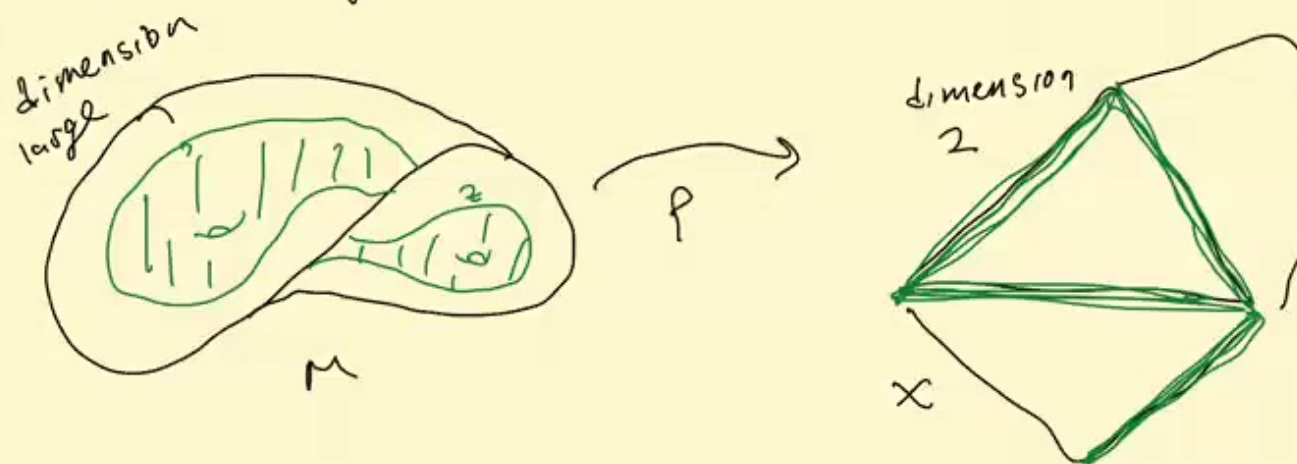
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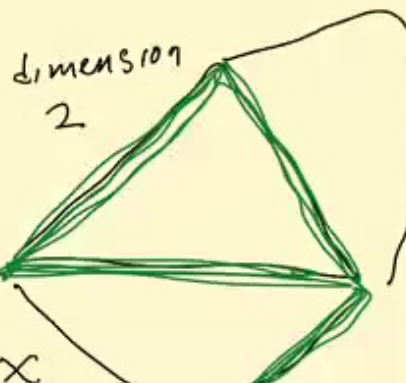
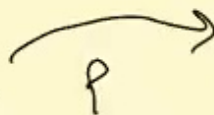
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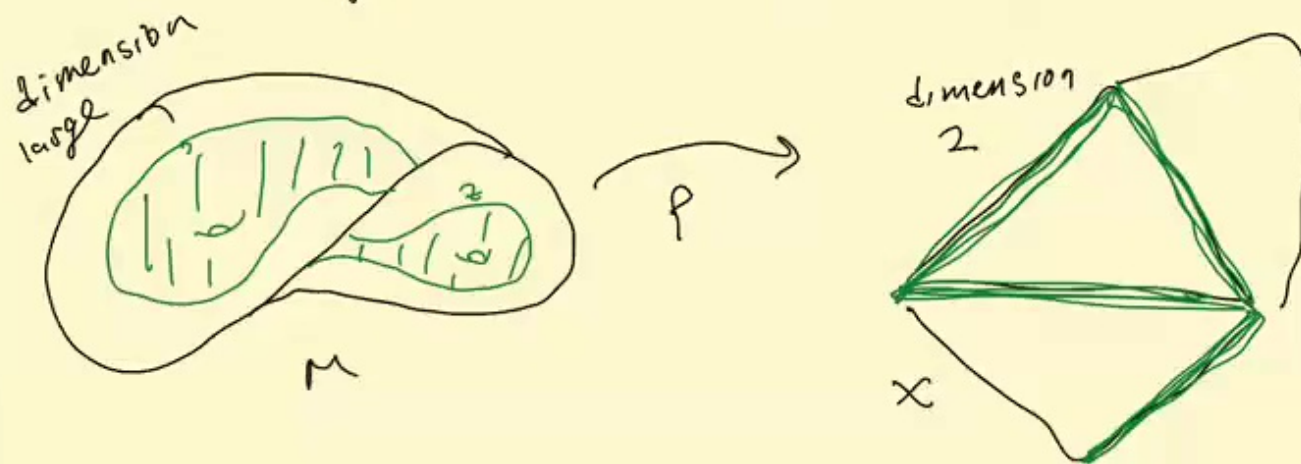
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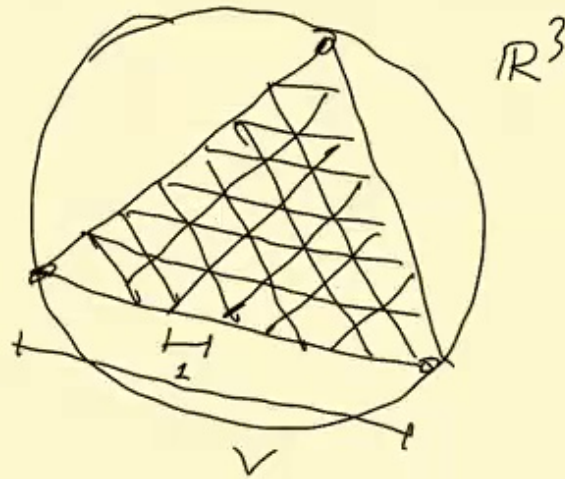
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We can think about the

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"pull-back" of a subdivision of X



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$$\text{sys}_R(\tilde{M}) \approx \# \text{ edges in } \tilde{X} \approx V^2$$

So after $\tilde{M} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{L}$

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