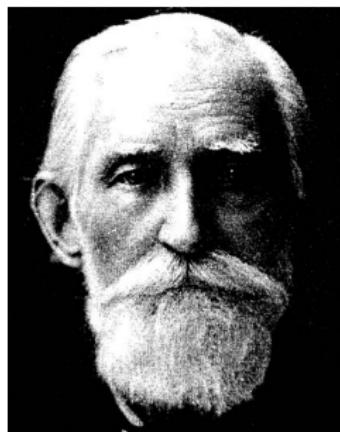


From Chebyshev nets
to
Painlevé differential equations



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On cutting cloth

Sur la coupe des vêtements.

Association française pour l'avancement des sciences. 7 session. Paris. Séance du 28 août 1878).

Après avoir indiqué que l'idée de cette étude lui est venue lors de la communication faite, il y a deux ans, au Congrès de Clermont-Ferrand, par M. Edouard Lucas, sur la géométrie du tissage des étoffes à fils rectilignes, M. Tchébichef pose les principes généraux pour déterminer les courbes suivant lesquelles on doit couper les différents morceaux d'une étoffe, pour en faire une gaine bien ajustée, servant à envelopper un corps de forme quelconque.

En prenant pour point de départ ce principe d'observation que dans la déformation d'un tissu on ne doit considérer d'abord, dans une première approximation, que l'altération des angles respectifs formés par les fils de chaîne et les fils de trame, sans tenir compte de l'allongement des fils, il donne les formules qui permettent de déterminer les contours imposés à deux, trois ou quatre morceaux d'étoffe pour recouvrir la surface d'une sphère, avec la meilleure approximation désirable. M. Tchébichef présente à la section une balle de caoutchouc recouverte d'une étoffe dont les deux morceaux ont été coupés suivant ses indications; il fait observer que le problème différait essentiellement si l'on remplaçait l'étoffe par une peau. D'ailleurs les formules proposées par M. Tchébichef donnent aussi la méthode à suivre pour la juxtaposition des pièces par la couture.

Conformément à la volonté de Tchebychef, l'étude «Sur la coupe des habits» trouvée dans ses papiers ne doit pas être imprimée, car le manuscrit ne porte pas l'inscription: *«imprimer»*.

La coupe des habits

Sur la coupe des habits
(Communication faite 28 juillet 1861
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§1. En prenant part à la discussion qui a eu lieu au congrès de Clermont Ferrand à propos d'une communication très intéressante faite par M. Edouard Lucas sur l'application de la géométrie mathématique aux tissus des étoffes, j'ai mentionné une autre question sur les étoffes dont la solution à l'aide de mathématique peut avoir certain intérêt, savoir : la coupe des étoffes pour faire des habits où en général des enveloppes des corps d'une forme quelconque. Faute de temps je n'ai pas pu exposer même brièvement mes idées sur ce sujet et je profite de la séance prochaine pour accomplir cette tache.

APRÈS
A.S. COOP
P. 1
OCTOBRE 1861
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On y parvient très aisément d'après l'équation de la courbe de la moindre distance, donnée par cette formule du calcul de variation.

$\int \frac{ds}{dx} = 0$,
qui d'après (1) se réduit à

celle-ci :
 $\frac{dy}{dx} + \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + 2bx + 2ay} = 0$

et d'où l'on tire l'équation,

$$(3) \frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{2cxy}{dx} + \frac{2cxy}{dx} - \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

§10. En remarquant que l'arc de x , dont l'équation est

$y = 0$,
prosté, comme nous l'avons dit, d'une des courbes de la plus courte distance, nous trouvons en y appliquant l'équation précédente

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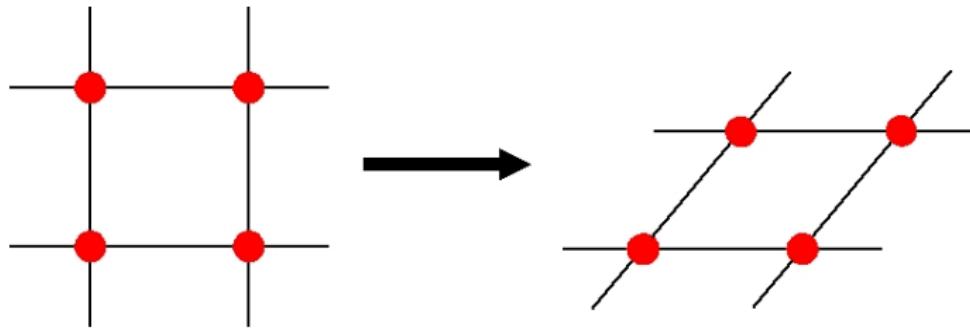
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un exemple l'usage de
ces formules, nous avons
determiné¹⁷²⁸ d'après elles
la forme que l'on doit
donner aux morceaux
de l'étoffe pour faire
une gaine bien ajustée
à une sphère. Seule-
ment de deux pièces,
dont chacune couvrait
une demi-sphère. La
forme trouvée est celle-ci
c'est un quadrilatère
composé de deux lignes
courbes, dont les coins sont
arrondis. - Les fils primitives
suivants sont dirigés suivant
les drogues,

$$\begin{aligned}y &= \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2}x^2 + \frac{3\sqrt{2} + 2(\frac{\pi}{2})^2}{72}x^4 = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2}x^2 + \frac{6\pi^3 + 11^3}{288}x^4 \\x &= \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2}y^2 + \frac{6\pi^3 + 11^3}{288}y^4.\end{aligned}$$

La coupe des habits

Les courbes s'approchent de l'hyperbole; la courbe
est telle de hyperbol; la courbe
peut varier et se rattacher
des courbes; le développement
du calcul de fort faire une
courbe; depuis lors, il est
général pour nous faire
pour et jusqu'à ce point
d'accord que le processus
est égal au diamètre
comme nous l'avons
dit. Cela
nous venant de vous.
Deux morceaux coupés conformément
de cette forme ¹⁷²⁸ Pas morceau ayant
trouvé que nous venions de
donner (les courbes ont formé
avant-étes courbes, soit formé
une enveloppe de sphère
qui ne laisse rien à
désirer, comme nous pou-
vons en juger nous même
Ceci prouve combien
les considérations que
nous venons d'exprimer
sont d'accord avec
la pratique.

Small squares are deformed into small rhombuses.



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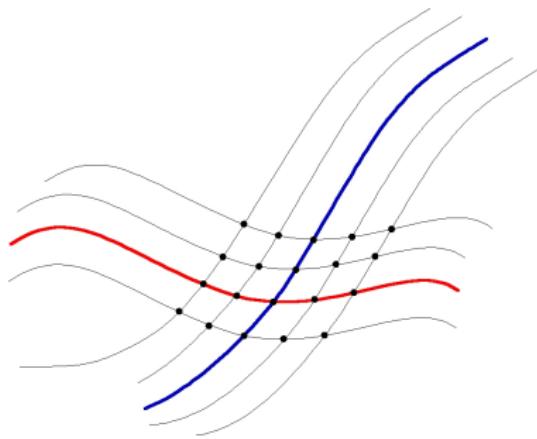
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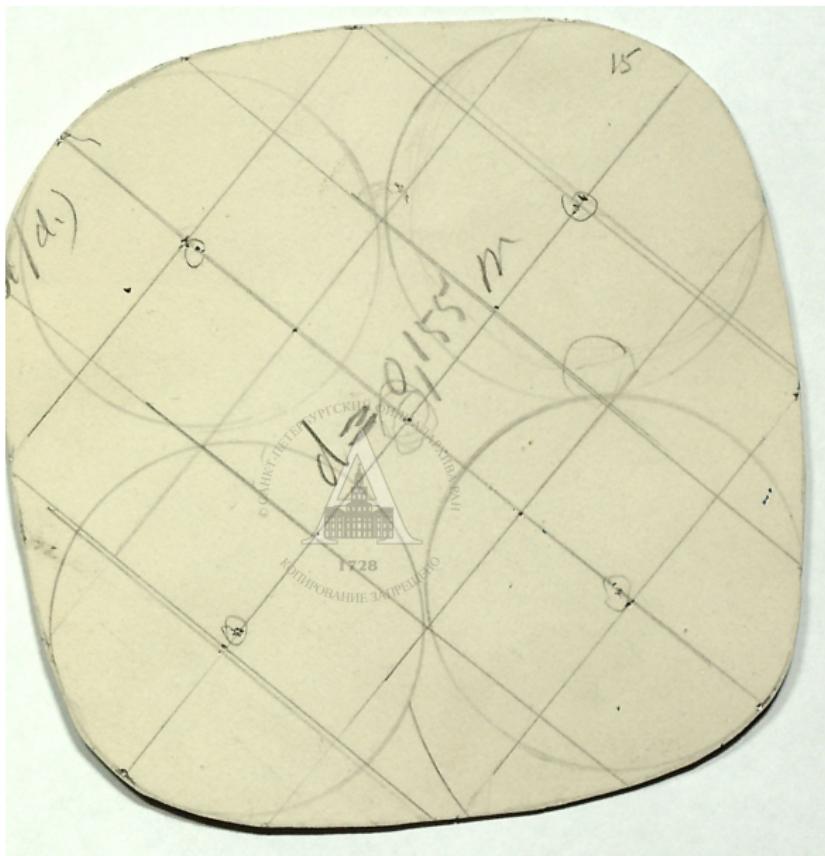
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A theorem by Chebyshev ?

Theorem : *One can cloth a sphere with **TWO** pieces, each covering a half sphere.*

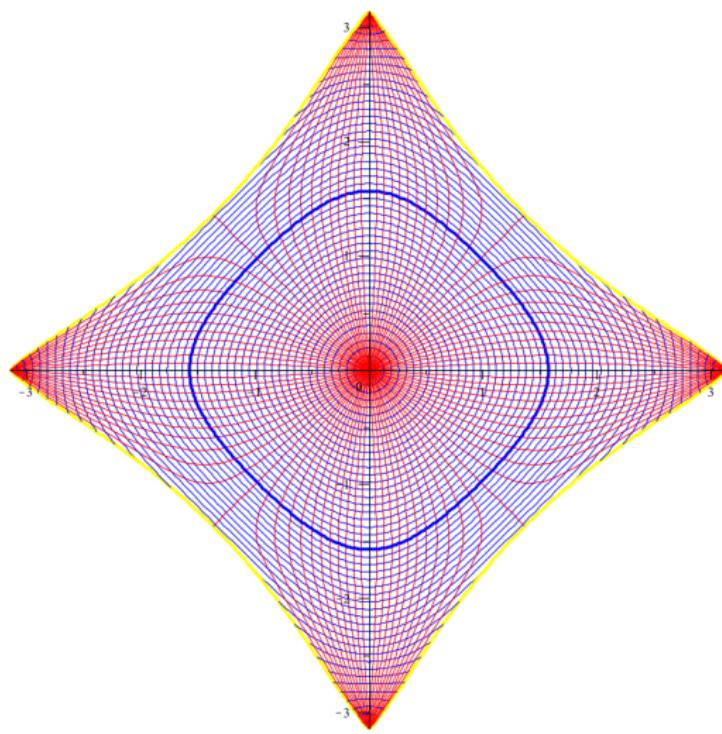
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Better...

Theorem : *One can cloth a sphere with **ONE** piece.*

The template



Clothing the sphere



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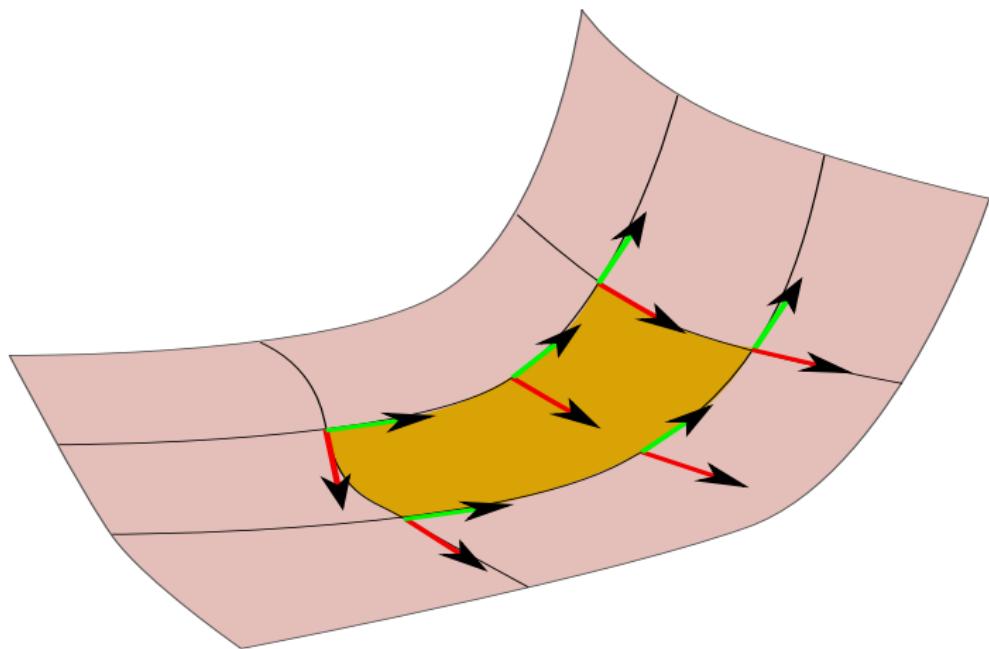
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Gauss-Bonnet formula

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_1} \int_{y_0}^{y_1} K(u, v) \sin(\omega(x, y)) dx dy = \omega(x_0, y_0) - \omega(x_0, y_1) + \omega(x_1, y_1) - \omega(x_1, y_0).$$

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Hazzidakis formulas

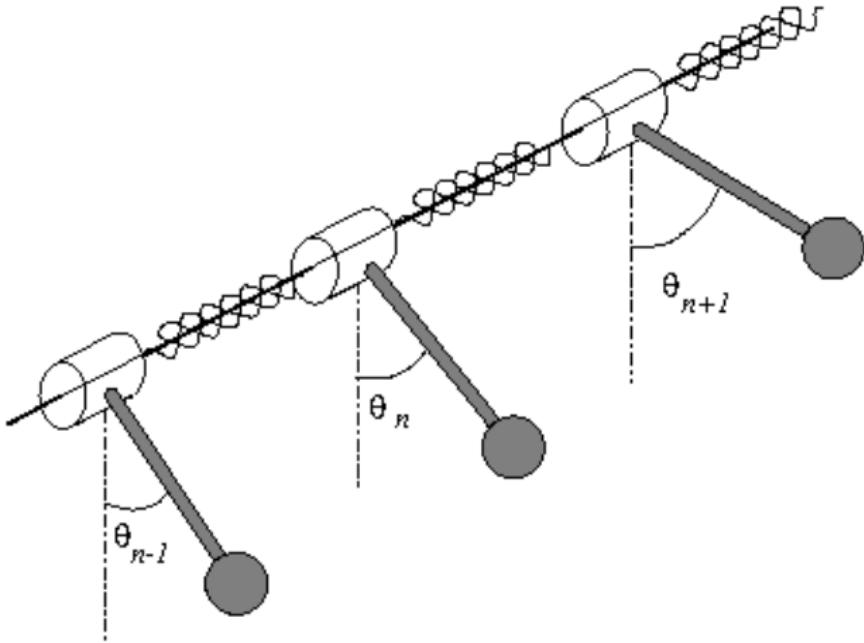
$$\frac{\partial^2 \omega}{\partial x \partial y} = -K(x, y) \sin \omega(x, y).$$

A partial differential equation

If one wants to cloth the sphere, the angle $\omega(x, y)$ has to satisfy the following PDE.

$$\frac{\partial^2 \omega}{\partial x \partial y} = -\sin \omega.$$

This is **sine-Gordon** PDE.



$$\frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial x^2} + \sin \theta.$$

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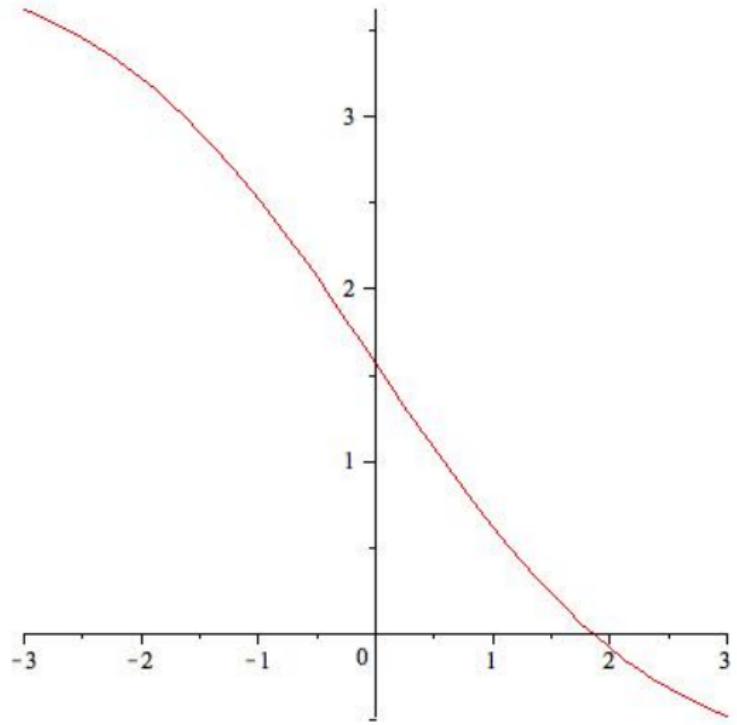
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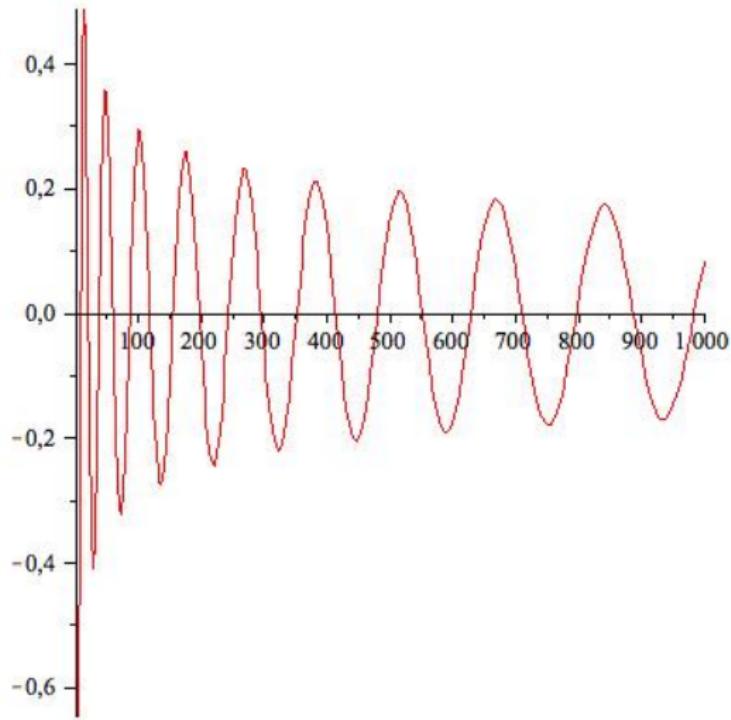
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$$\begin{aligned}U(x) = & \frac{\pi}{2} - x + \frac{1}{18}x^3 - \frac{7}{1800}x^5 \\& + \frac{521}{1587600}x^7 - \frac{31139}{1028764800}x^9 \\& + \frac{18279367}{6224027040000}x^{11} \\& - \frac{11159392859}{37866980511360000}x^{13} \\& + \frac{25289583956249}{834966920275488000000}x^{15} \\& - \frac{4078693576473449}{1286962346451285504000000}x^{17} \\& + \frac{15185544082366872679}{45158479167098447306956800000}x^{19} \\& - \frac{21133178727426263957897}{585732038608541625363763200000000}x^{21} \\& + \dots\end{aligned}$$





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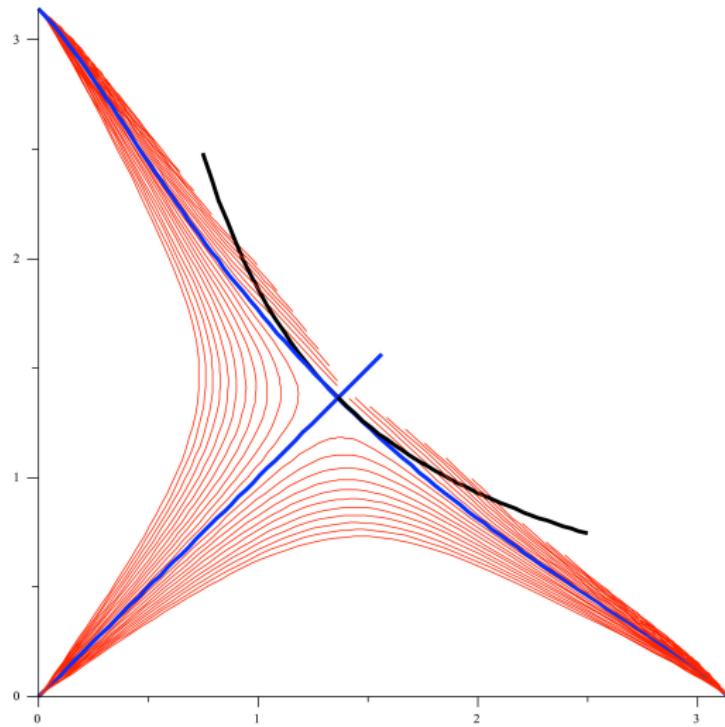
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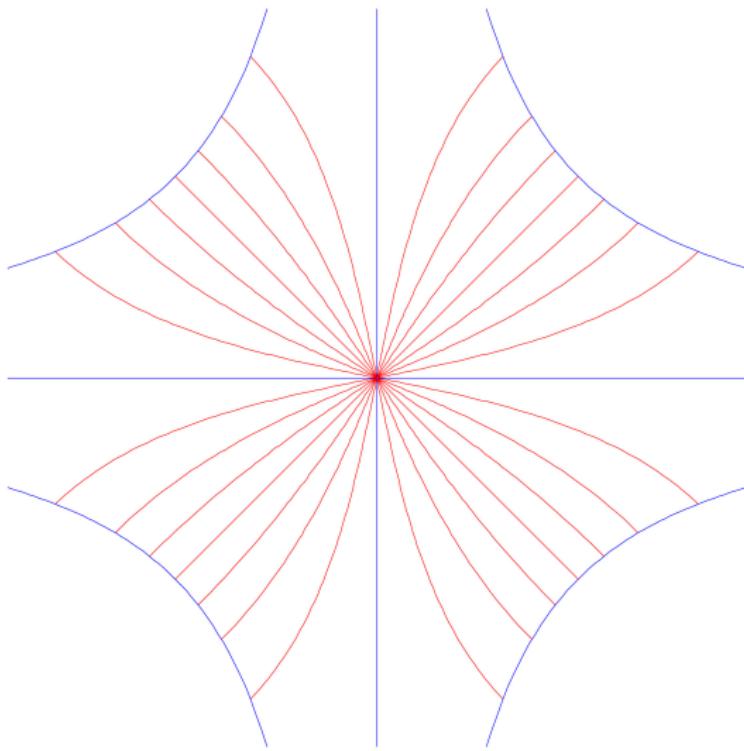
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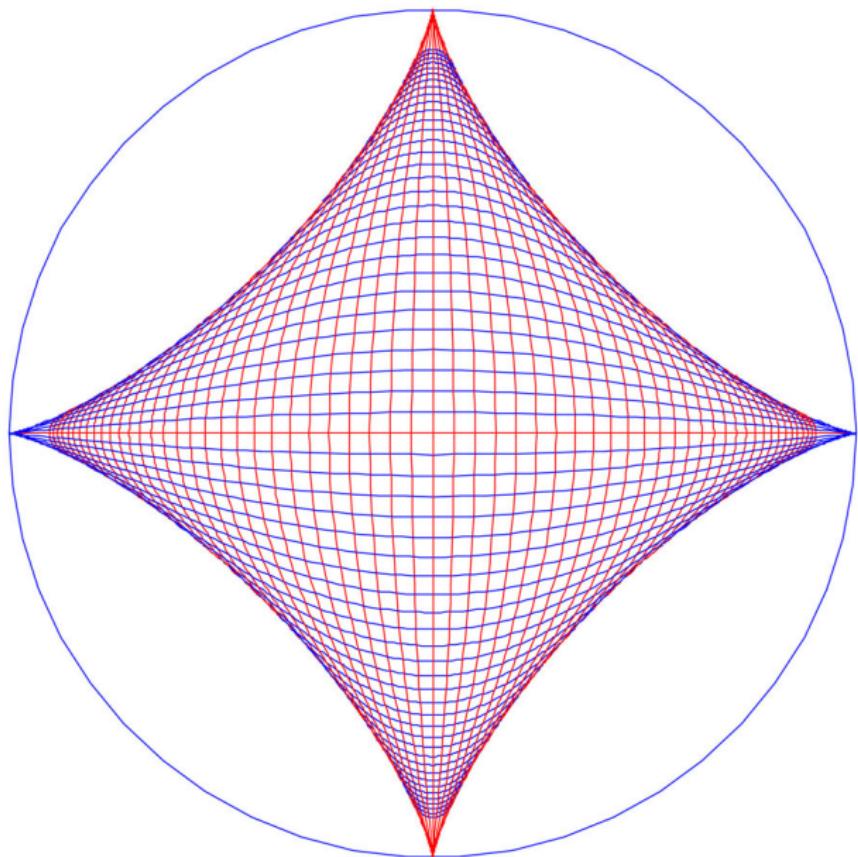
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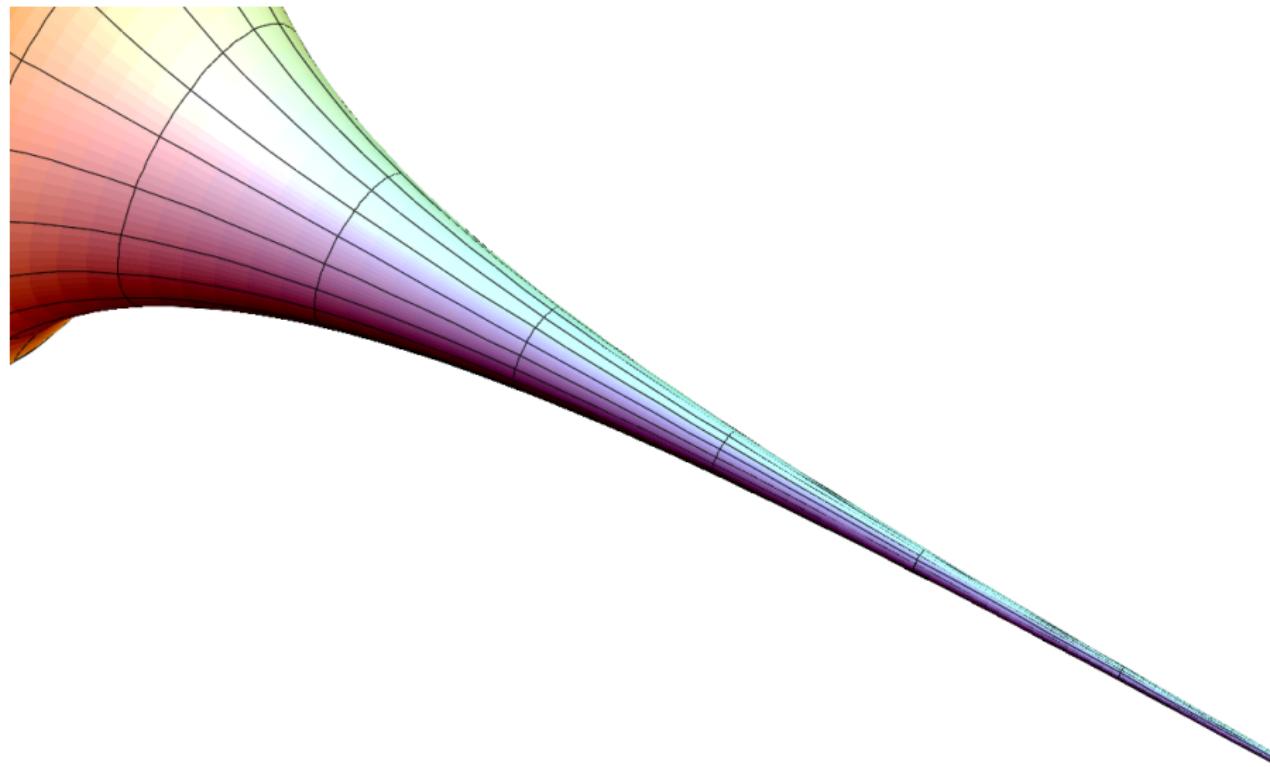
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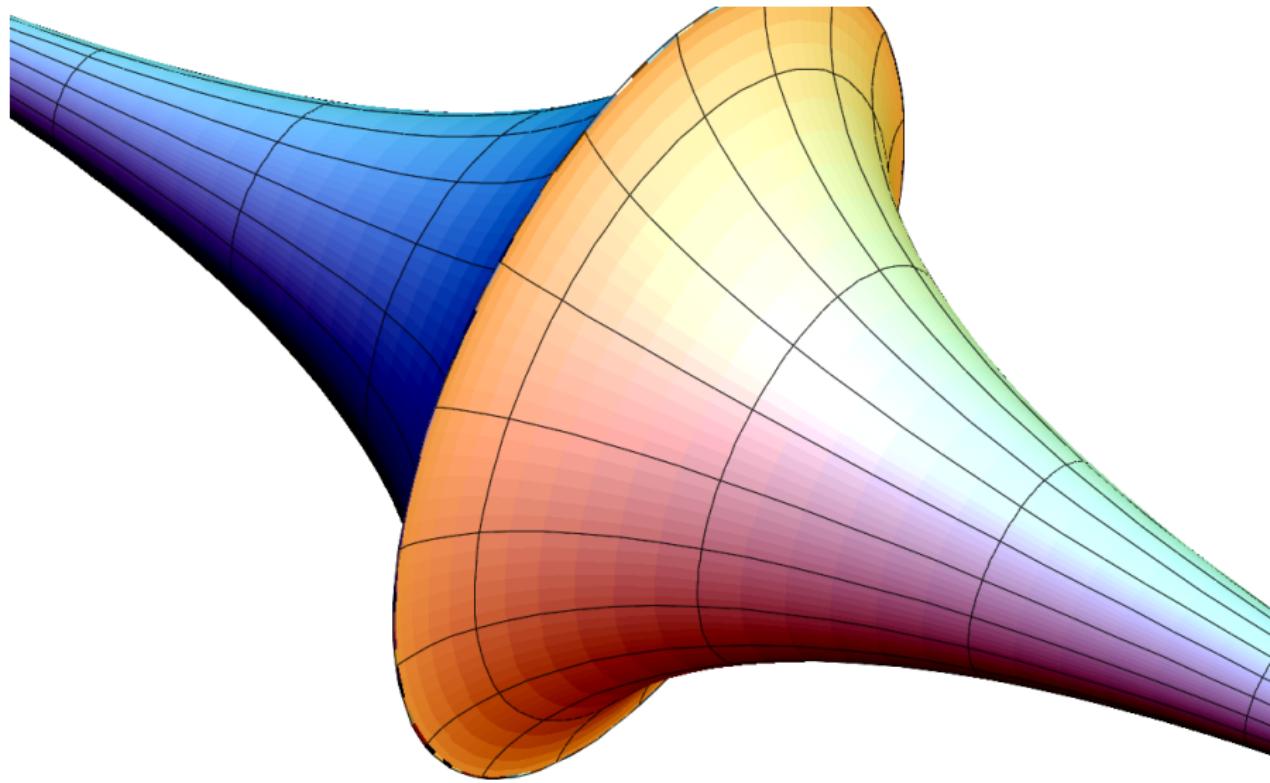
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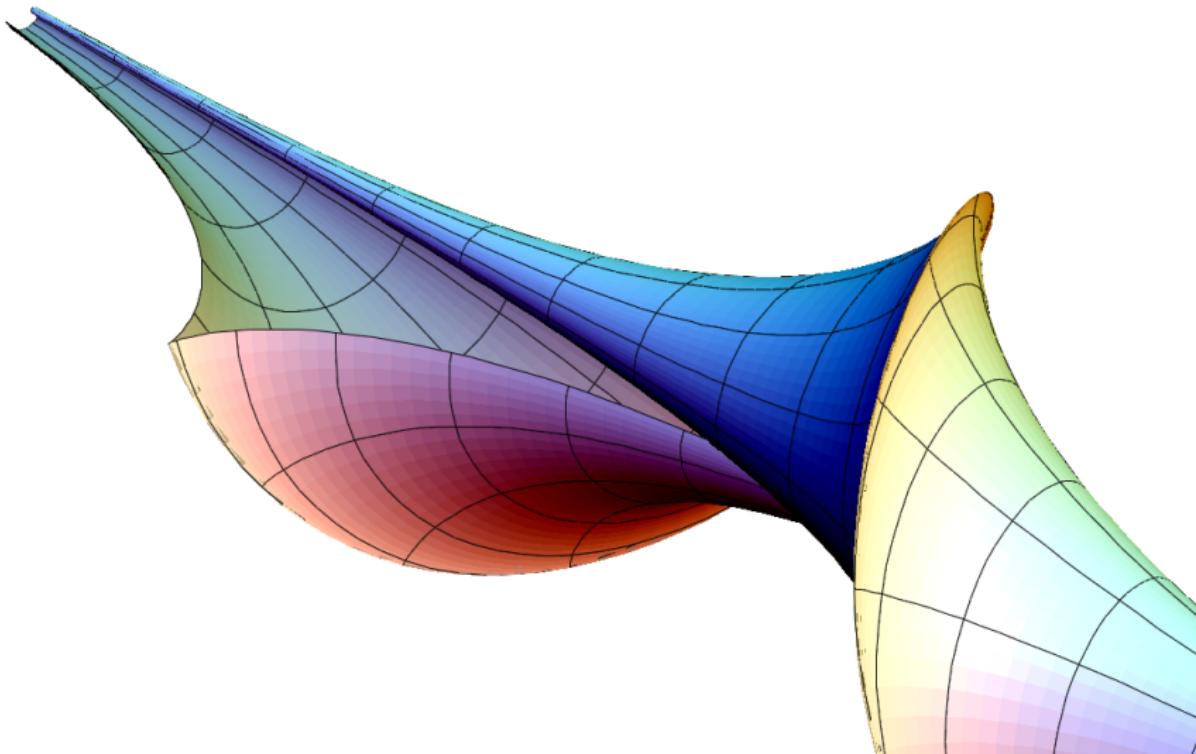
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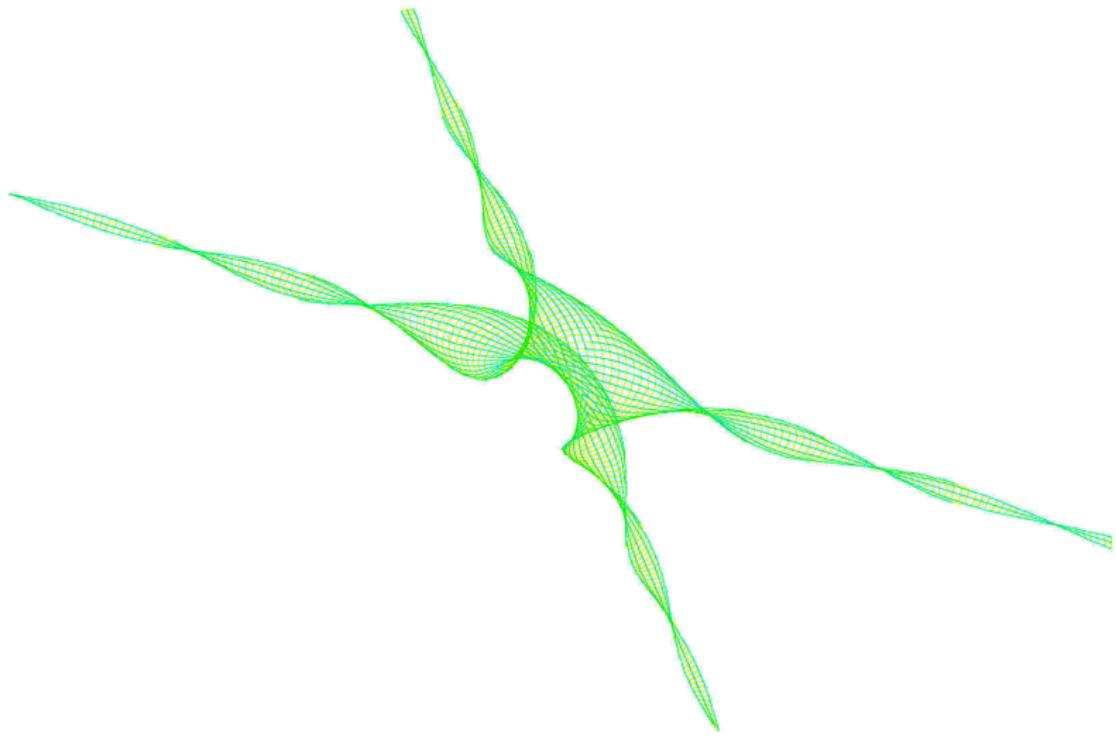
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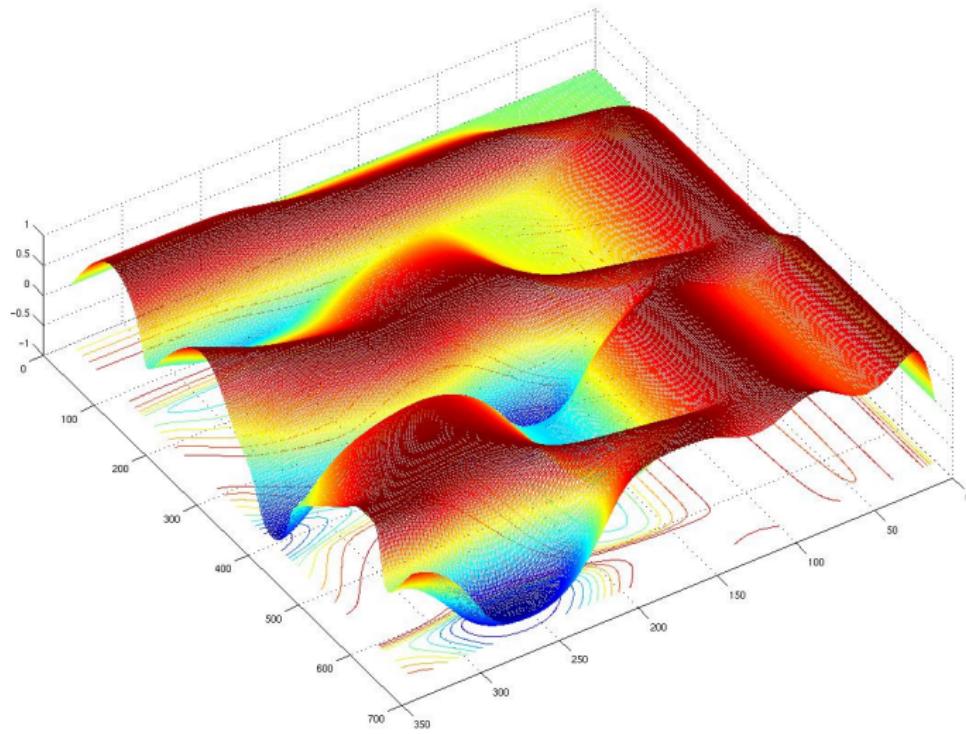
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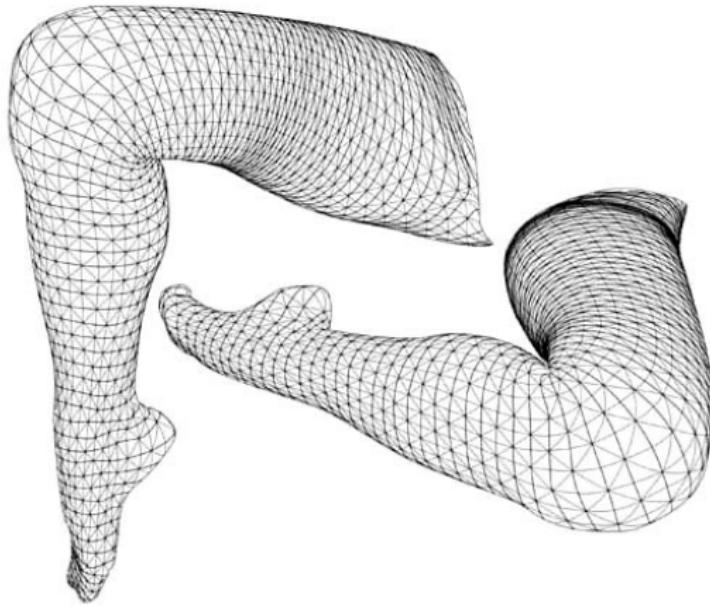
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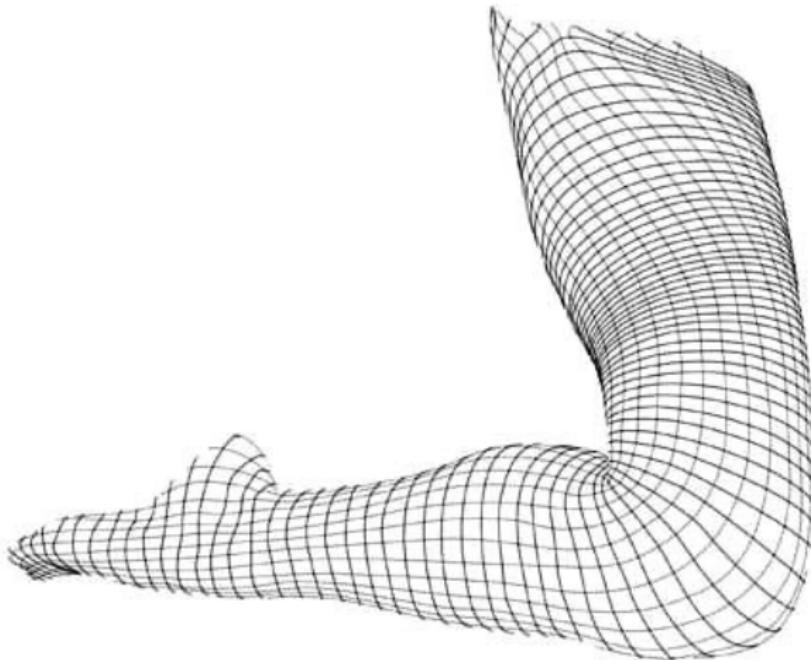
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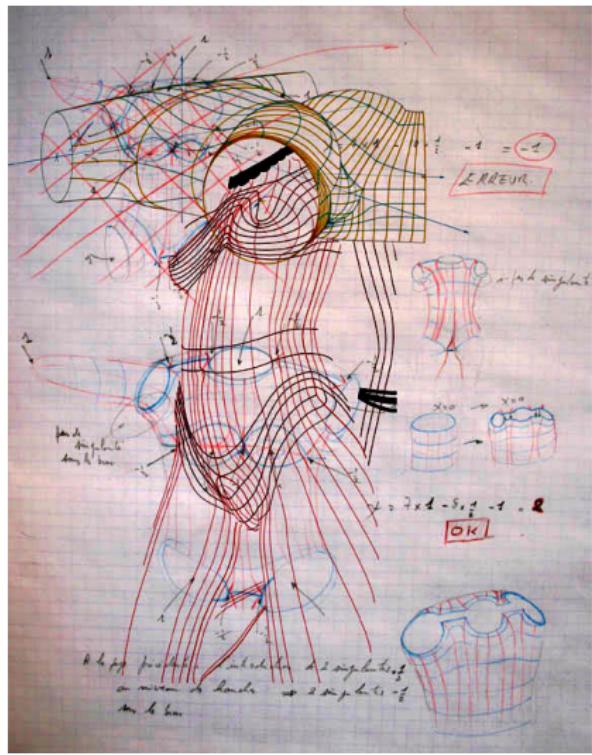
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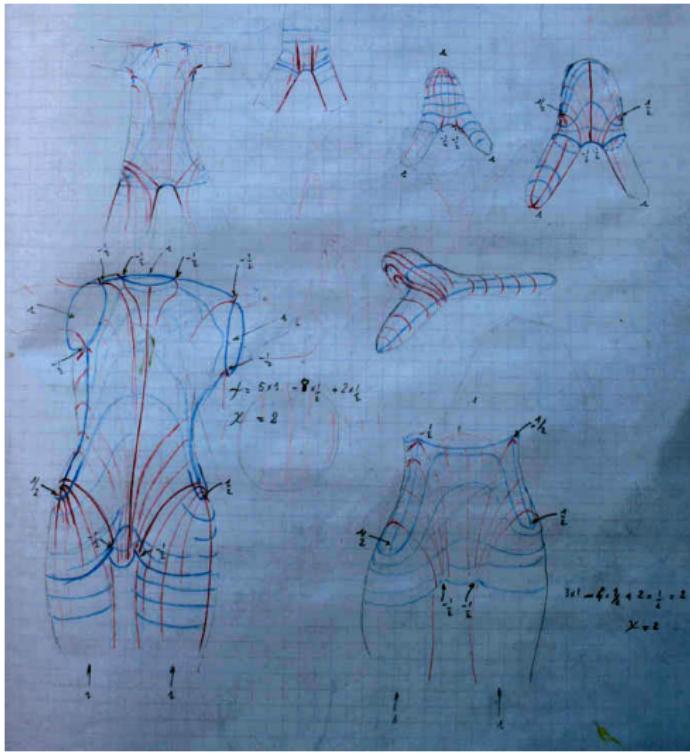
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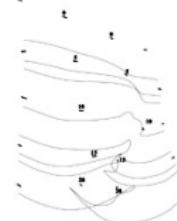
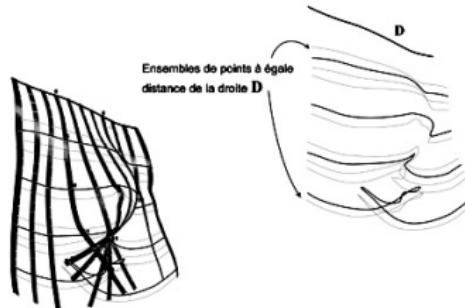
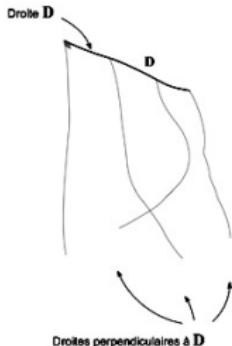












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