



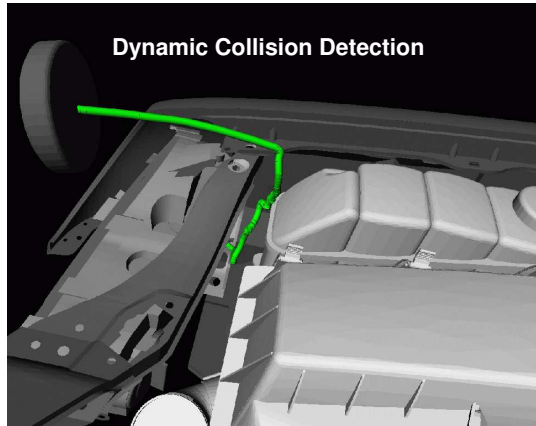
# Efficient Distance Computation for Quadratic Curves and Surfaces

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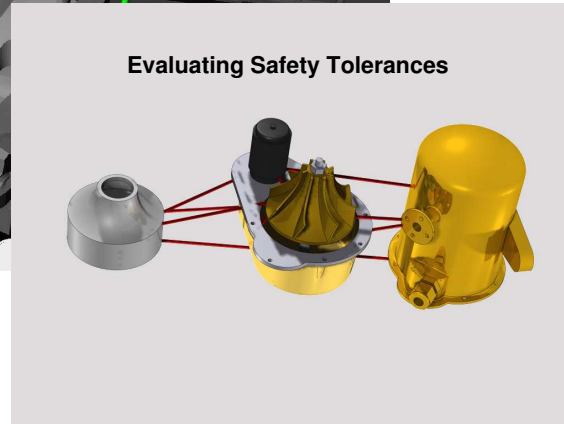
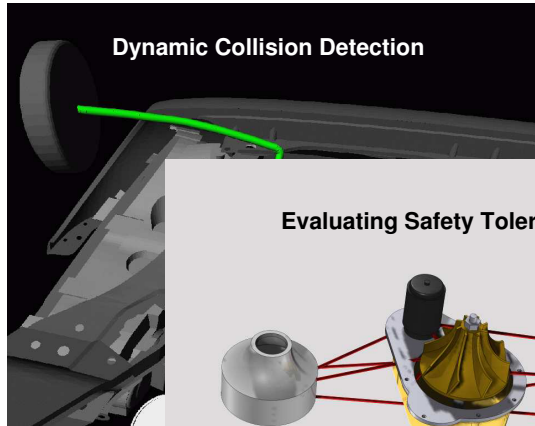
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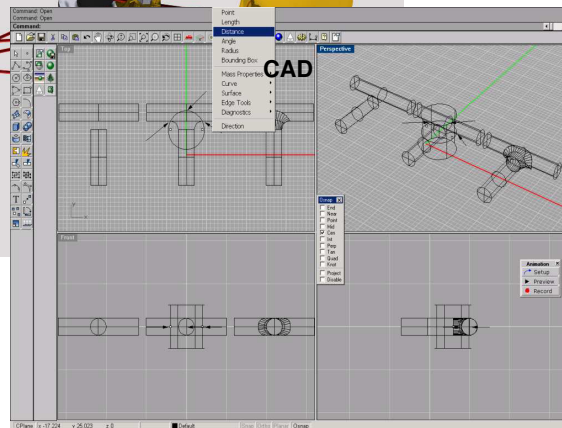
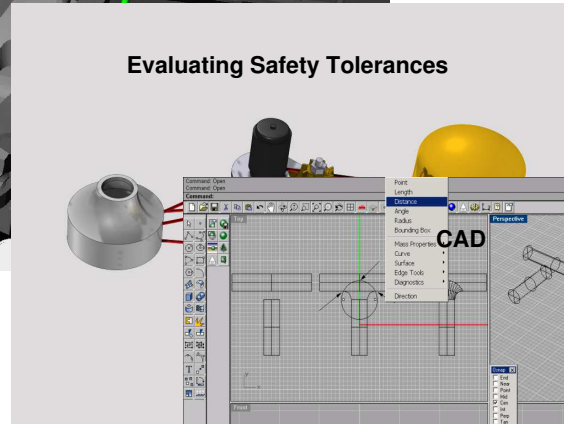
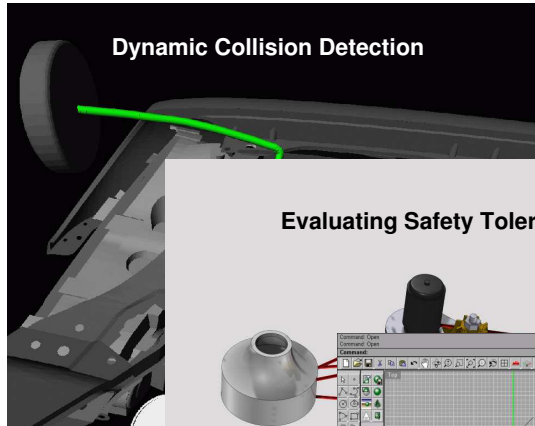
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- [Turnbull,Cameron89]
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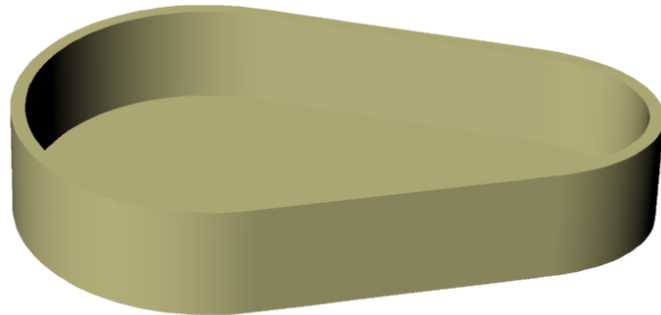
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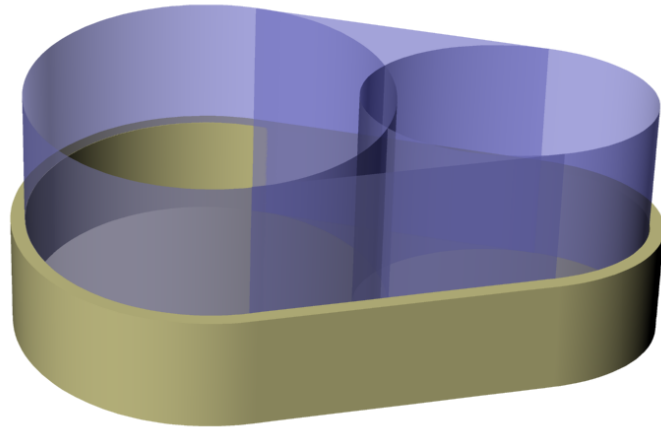
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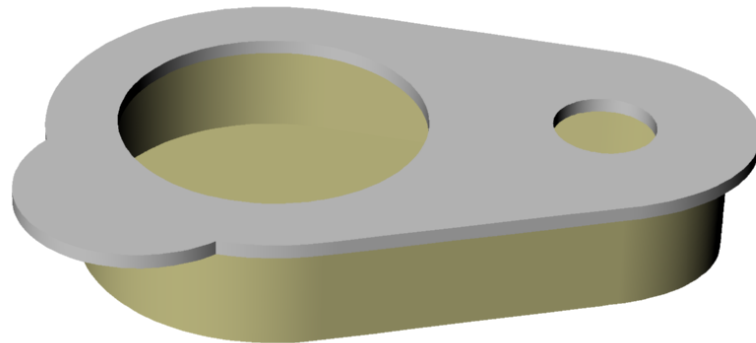
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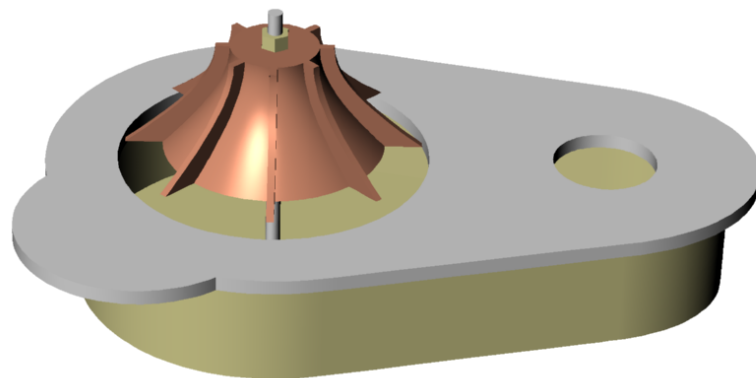
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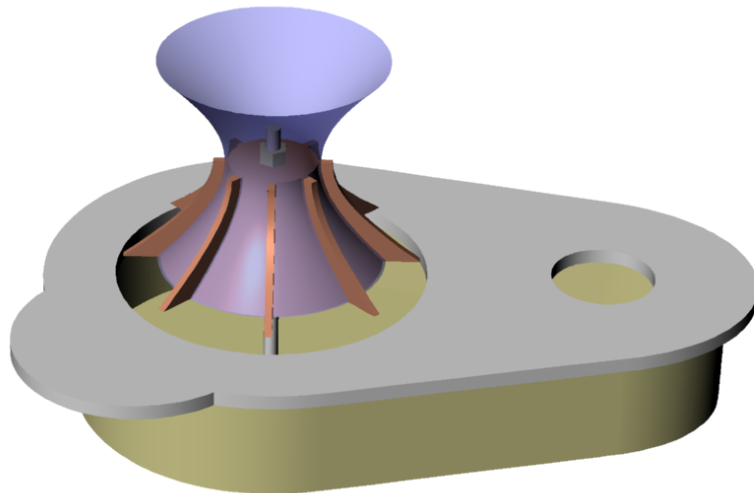
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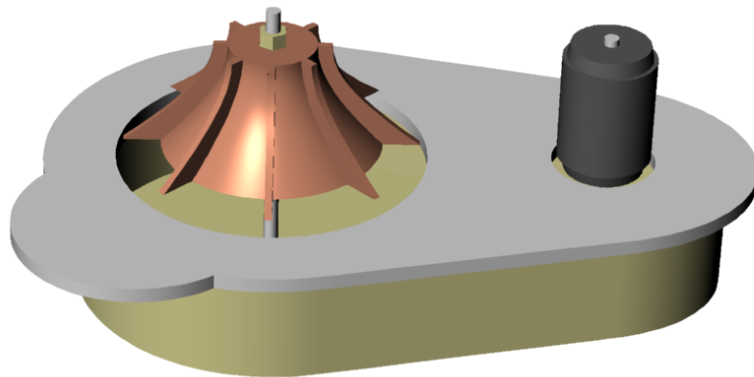
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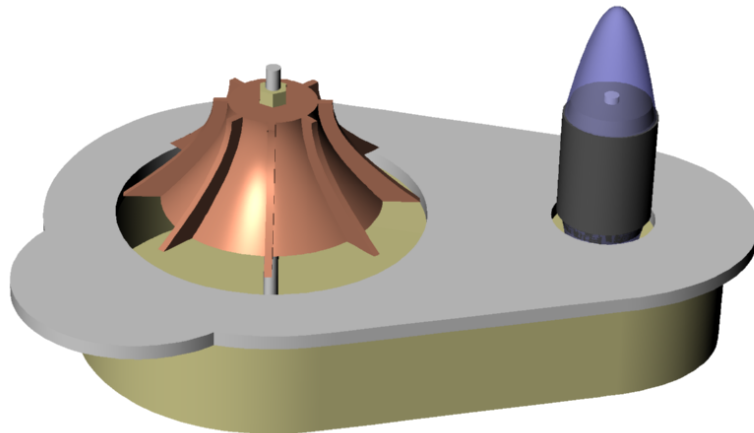
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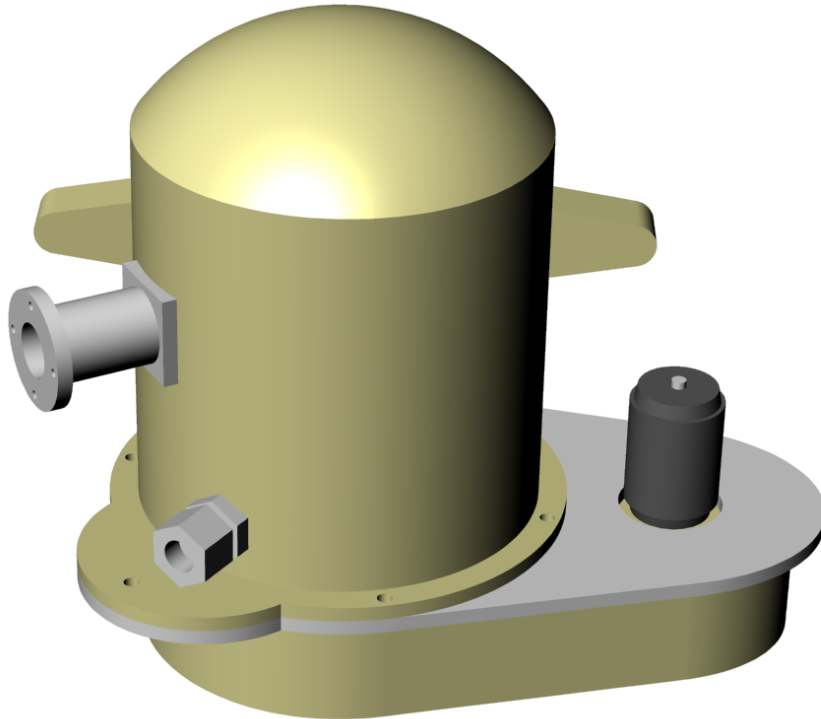


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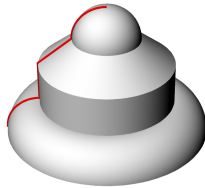


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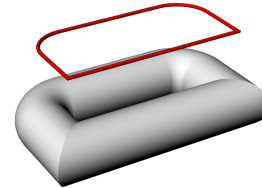


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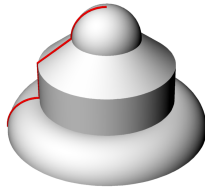
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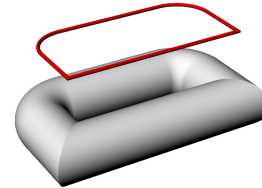
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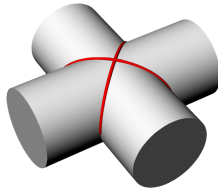


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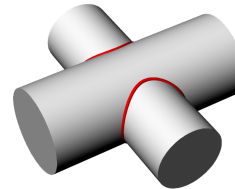


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- The class of quadratic complexes is **not** closed under **BOOLEAN-**operations:



**Union (same radii)**



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# The Distance Computation Problem

## Definition 1 (Distance Computation Problem)

Given two quadratic complexes  $\mathbf{C}_1, \mathbf{C}_2$ . The distance computation problem is to determine the global minimum of the distance function  $\delta$  between the respective point sets, together with a pair of witness points i.e.

(i) the value  $\delta^* := \delta(\mathbf{C}_1, \mathbf{C}_2)$ ,

(ii) a pair of points  $(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})$ , s.t.  $\delta^* = \delta(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})$ ,

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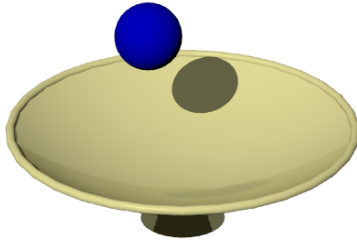
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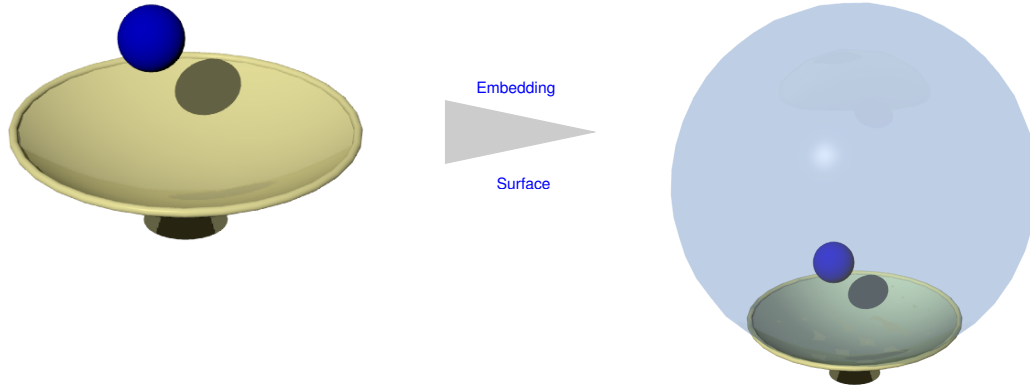
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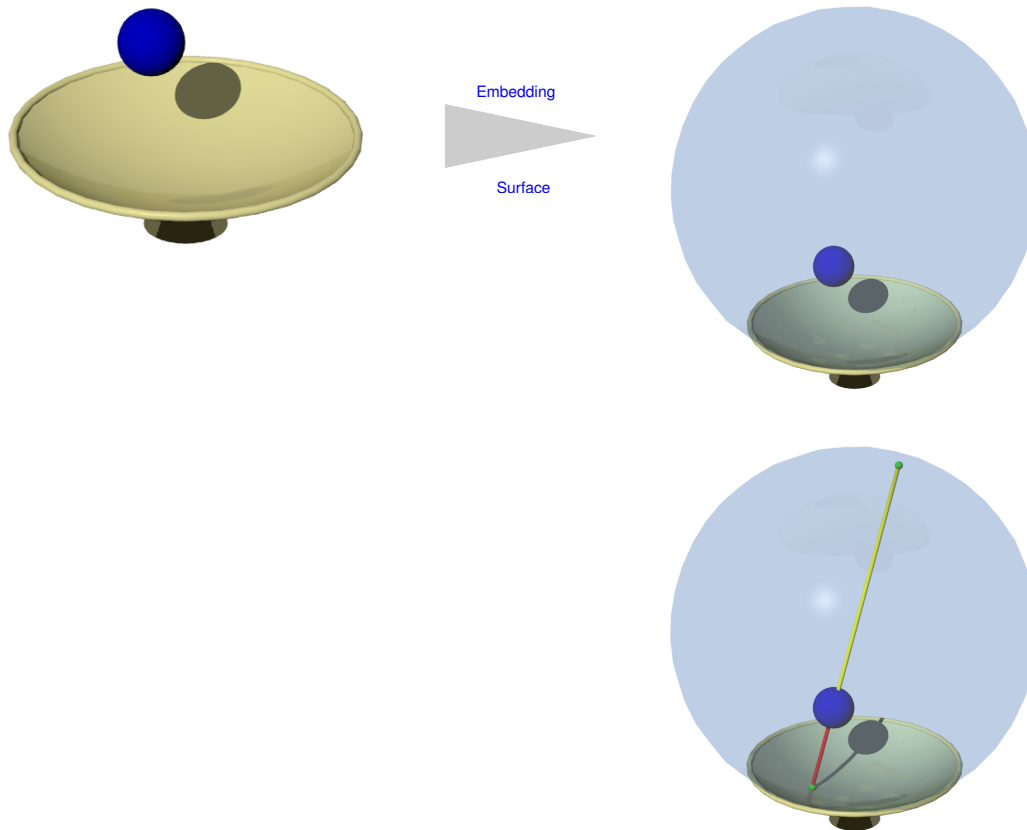




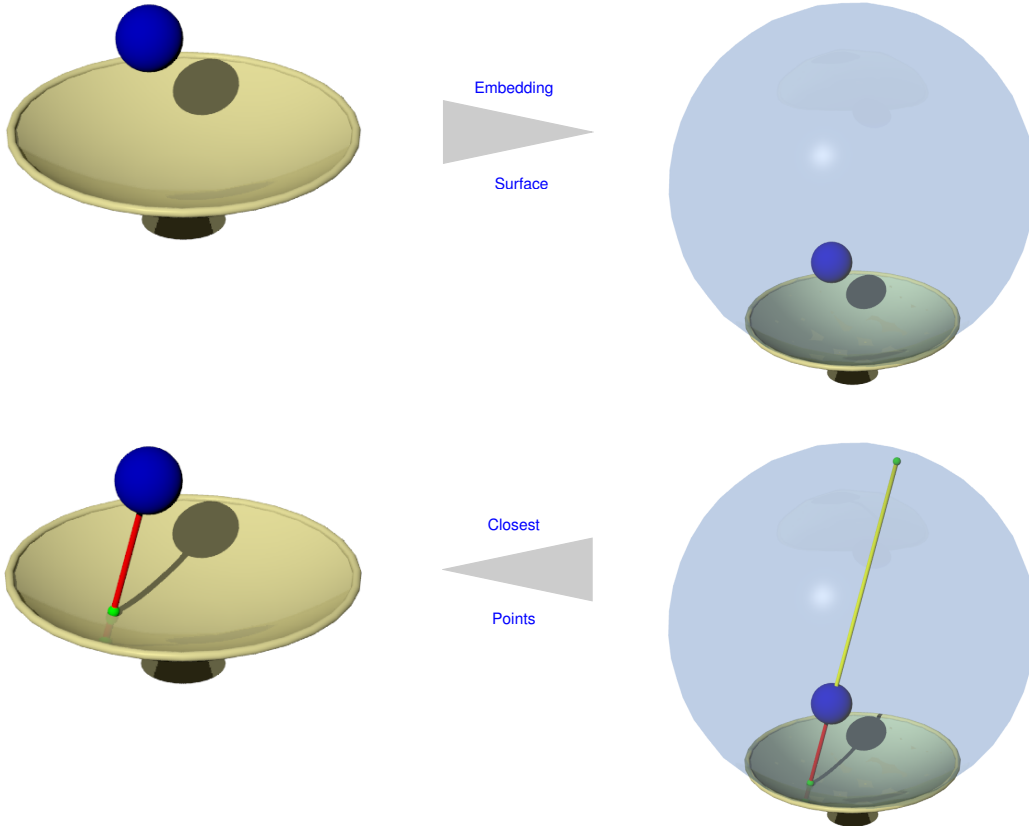
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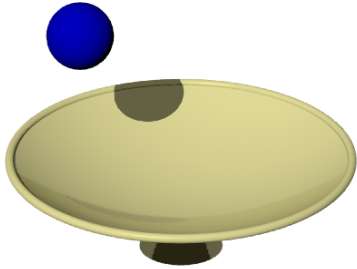
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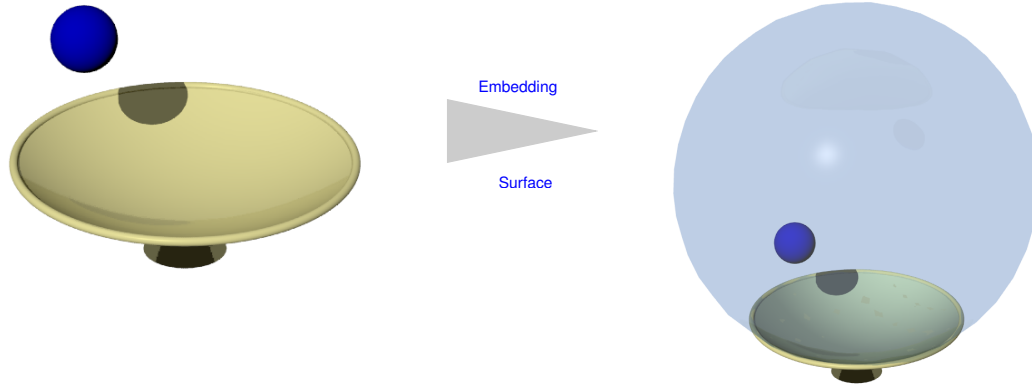
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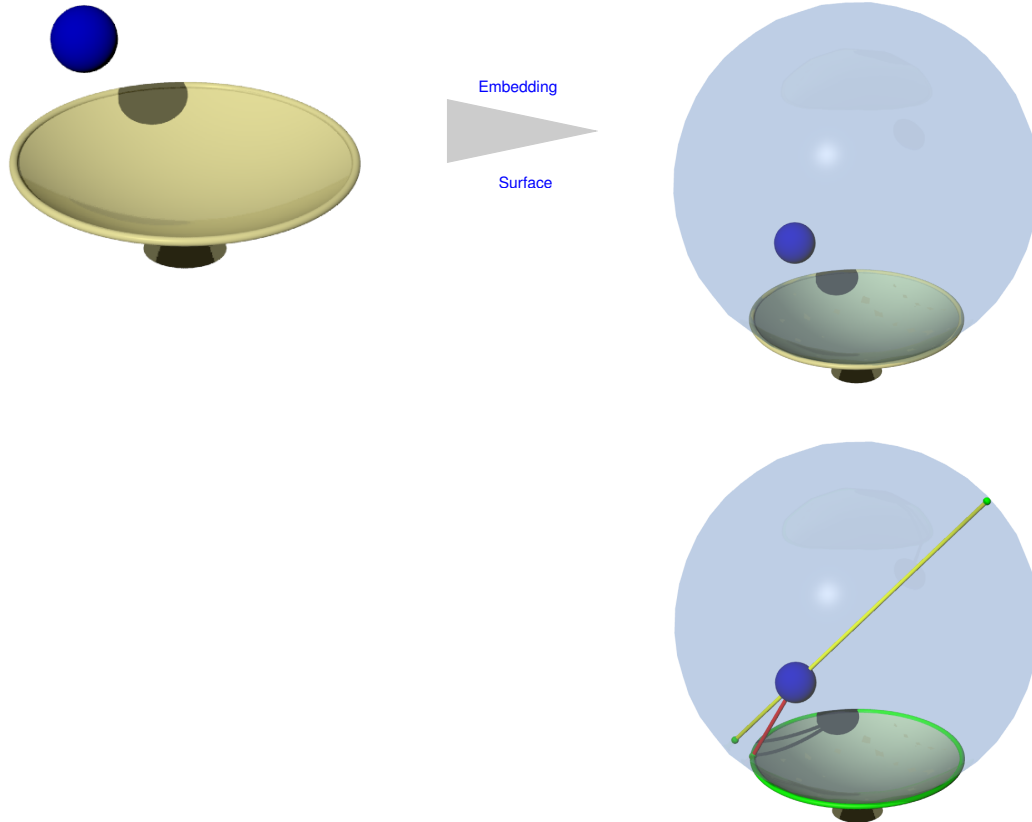
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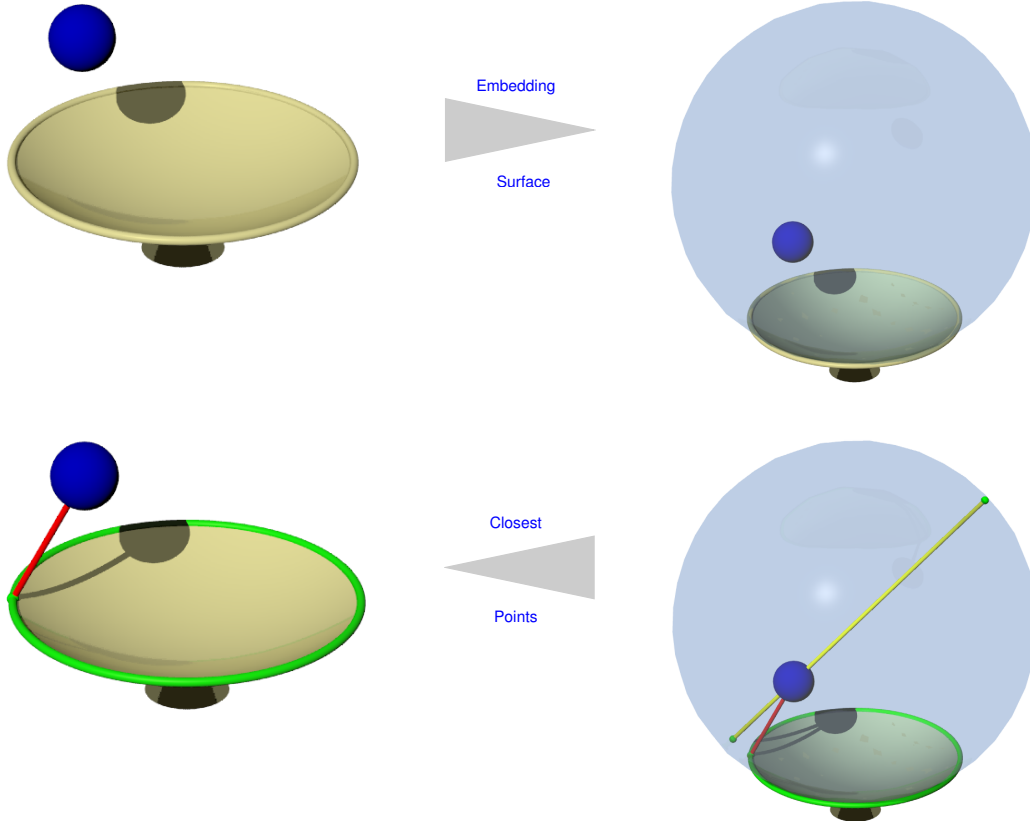
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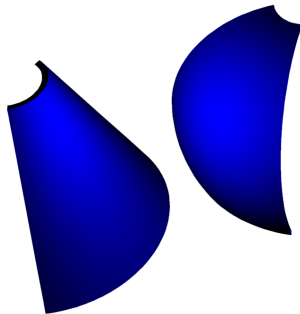
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*If one extends the classes by the torus, the results remain valid. The distance to any other surface or curve can be computed by considering its main circle.*

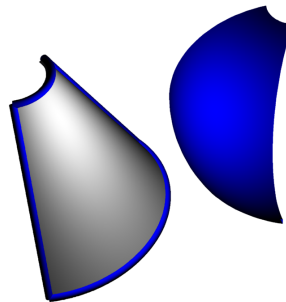


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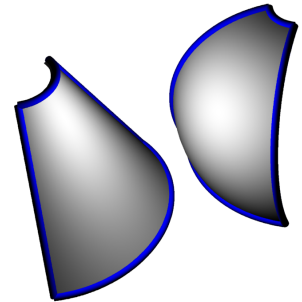
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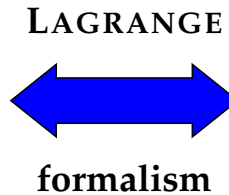
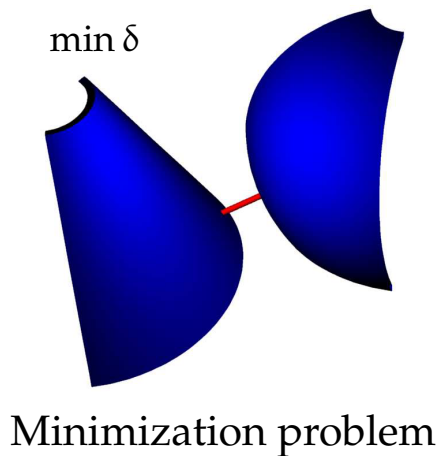
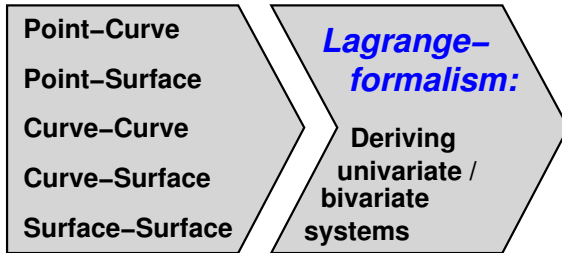


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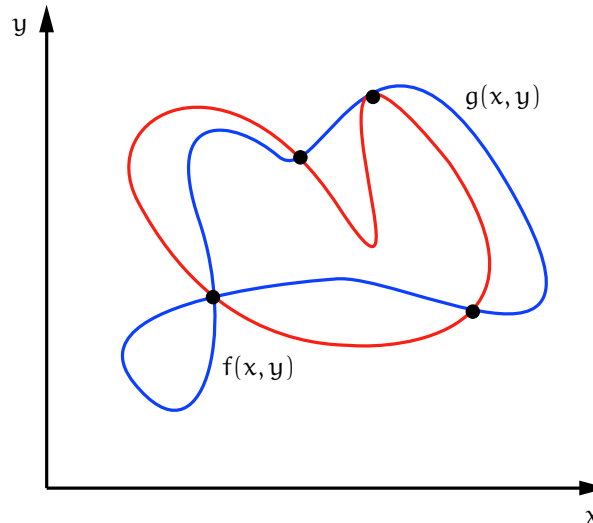
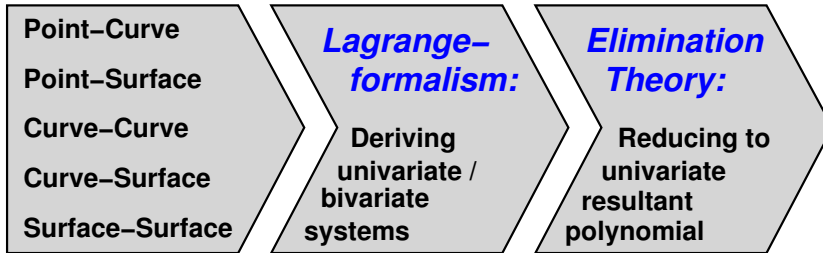


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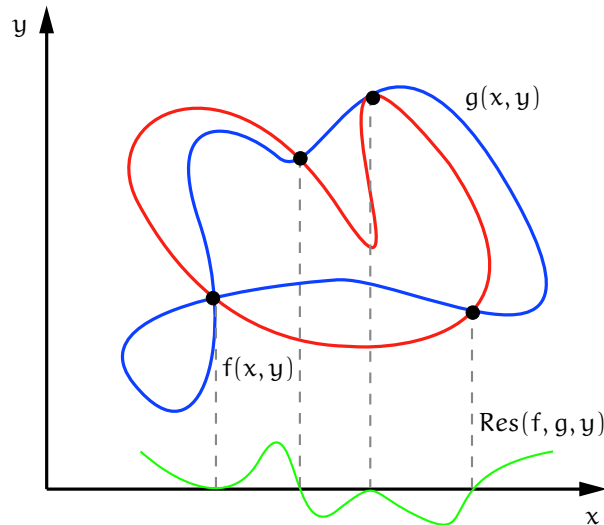
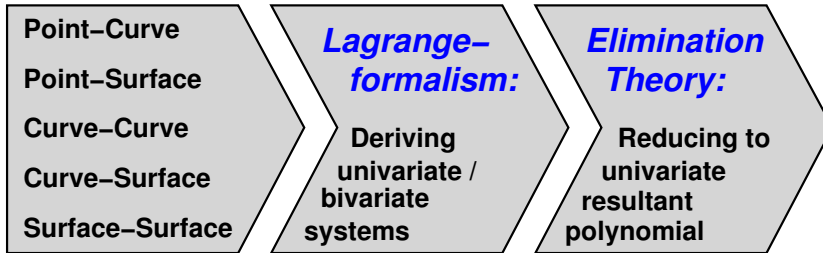
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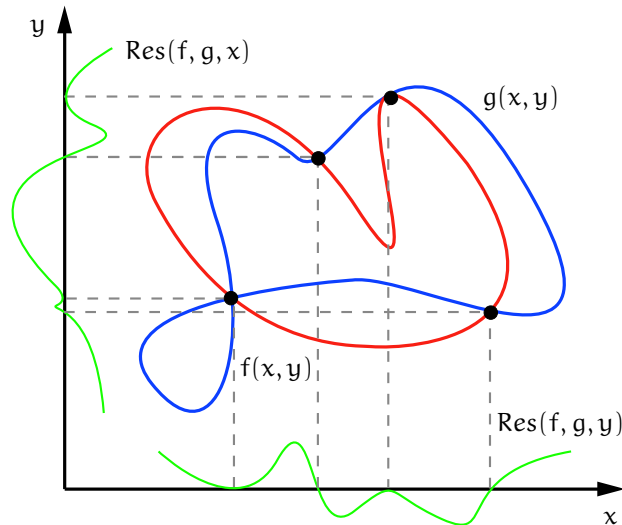
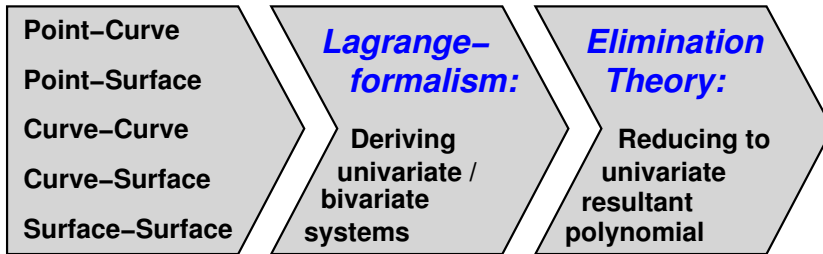
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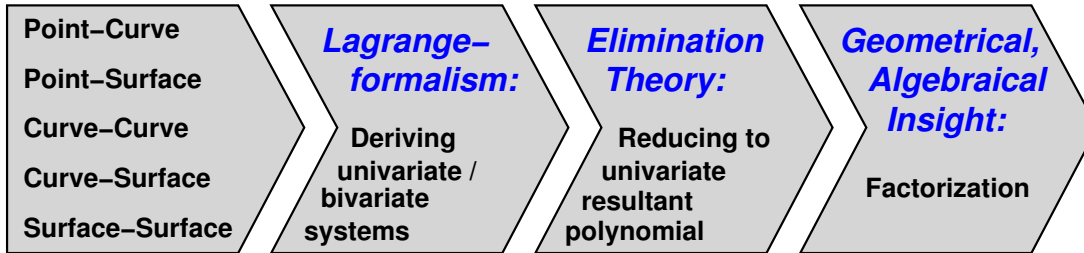
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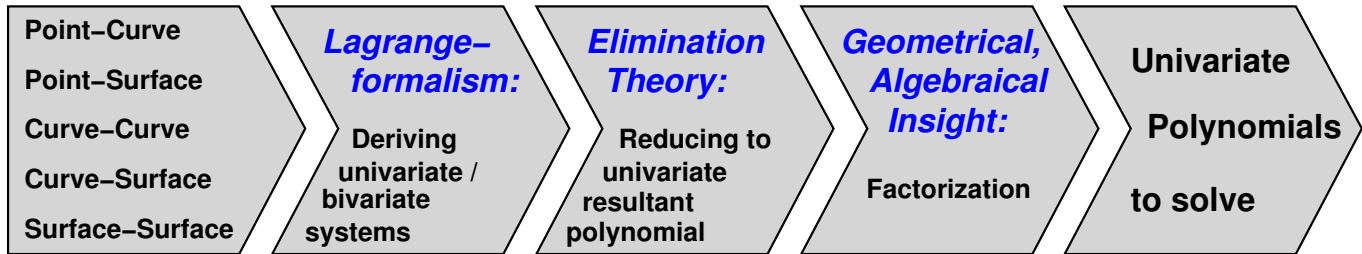


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# Natural Conics, Quadrics and the Torus

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