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*On the generation
of Whitney forms*

*Just a chain map, from
singular to simplicial chains*

$$\int \partial_t \mathbf{A} + \text{rot}(\int \text{rot } \mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{J}^s \quad (\mathbf{B} = \text{rot } \mathbf{A})$$

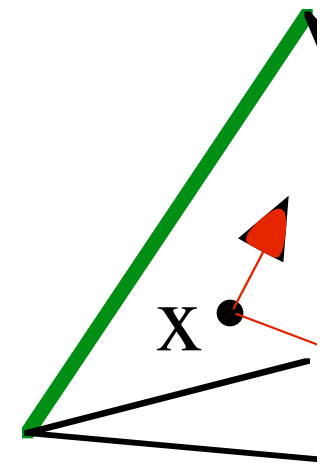
$$\mathbf{E} = -\partial_t \mathbf{A}$$

$$\int \int \int \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{A}' + \int \int \int \text{rot } \mathbf{A} \cdot \text{rot } \mathbf{A}' = \int \mathbf{J}^s \cdot \mathbf{A}'$$

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\mathbf{A} : Finite-dimensional space of **curl-conformal** elements

Edge circulations, physically meaningful, should be degrees of freedom



$$W(x) = \mathbf{a}$$

Then:

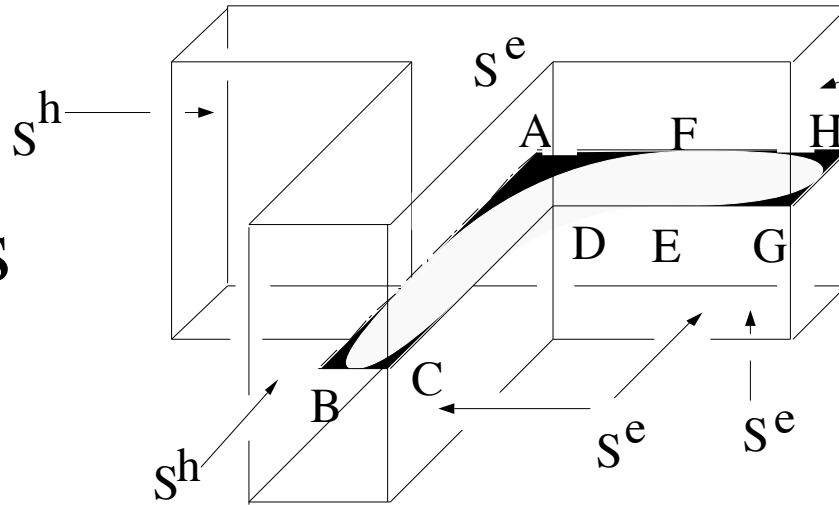
$$\int \partial_t \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{M} \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{j}^s$$

Now:

$$\int \partial_t \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{R}^t \int \mathbf{R} \mathbf{a}$$

The infamous "spurious modes", ca. 1960

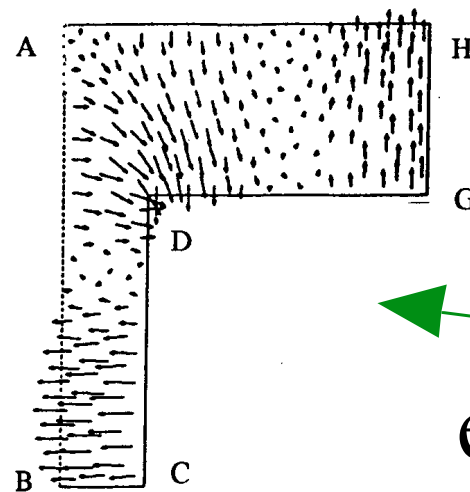
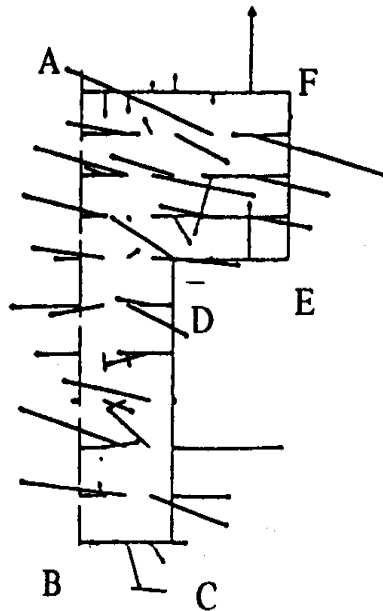
Compute resonant modes in a waveguide T-junction



$$\begin{aligned}
 -i \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} + \text{rot} \text{rot} \mathbf{E} &= \mathbf{J} \\
 i \nabla \cdot \mathbf{H} + \text{rot} \text{rot} \mathbf{H} &= \mathbf{J} \\
 \nabla \cdot \mathbf{H} &= 0 \\
 \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

View of field \mathbf{E} in shaded plane section:

Using standard mode-based vector-valued elements



edge e

$$\text{rot}\left(\frac{1}{\square} \text{rot } \square\right) = \square^2 \square \quad \square \quad \text{div}(\square) = 0$$

only **weakly** enforced

Find \square *in* \mathcal{E} (whose definition includes $n \square = 0$ on S^e) *such that*

$$\int \text{rot } \square \cdot \text{rot } \square' = \int \square^2 \square \square \cdot \square' \quad \square \square' \square$$

Set $\square' = \text{grad } \square' \quad \square \quad \square \square \cdot \text{grad } \square' = 0 \quad \square \square' \square$

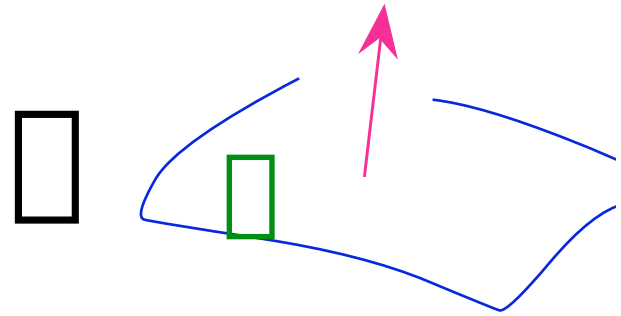
the weak form of $\text{div}(\square) = 0$, so require $\text{grad } \square$ with \square **large enough**. **Not** the case if \square span:

nodal vectorial elements. Whereas if $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{W}^1$,



Maxwell, in terms of DF's:

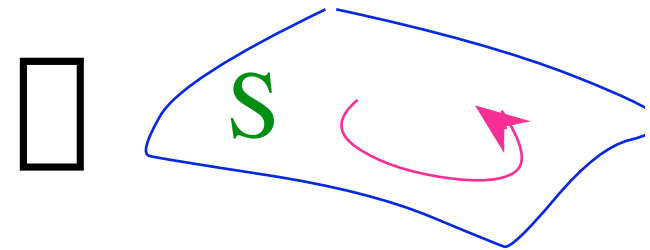
$$-\partial_t \int_S \mathbf{d} + \int_{\partial S} \mathbf{h} = \int_S \mathbf{j}$$



$$\mathbf{b} = \int_S \mathbf{h}$$

$$\mathbf{d} = \int_S \mathbf{e}$$

$$\partial_t \int_S \mathbf{b} + \int_{\partial S} \mathbf{e} = 0$$



$$(-\partial_t \mathbf{D} + \text{rot } \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{J}, \quad \partial_t \mathbf{B} + \text{rot } \mathbf{E} =$$

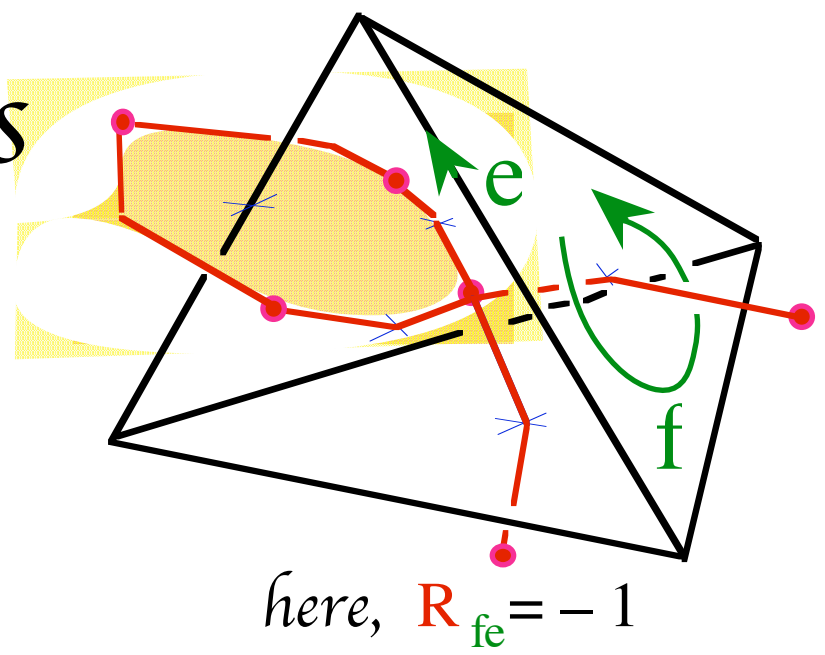
\mathcal{N} \square $\overset{G}{\square}$
grad

\mathcal{E} \square $\overset{R}{\square}$
rot

\mathcal{F} \square $\overset{D}{\square}$
div

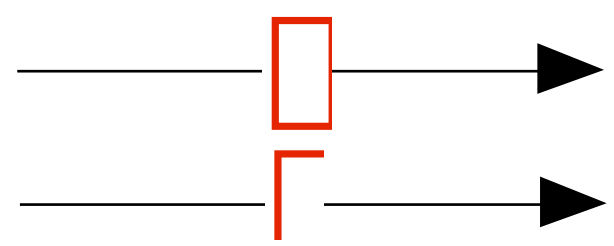
Approximate representation of the field by degree freedom assigned to both kinds of cells

\mathbf{a} at faces
 \mathbf{a}
at edges



\mathbf{h} at dual
(i.e.
 \mathbf{d}, \mathbf{j}
at dual fa

nodes
 $\mathbf{b} = \{b_f : f \in \mathcal{F}\}$
edges
 $\mathbf{e} = \{e_e : e \in \mathcal{E}\}$



$\mathbf{h} = \{h_f : f \in \mathcal{F}\}$
 $\mathbf{d} = \{d_e : e \in \mathcal{E}\}$

Whitney forms

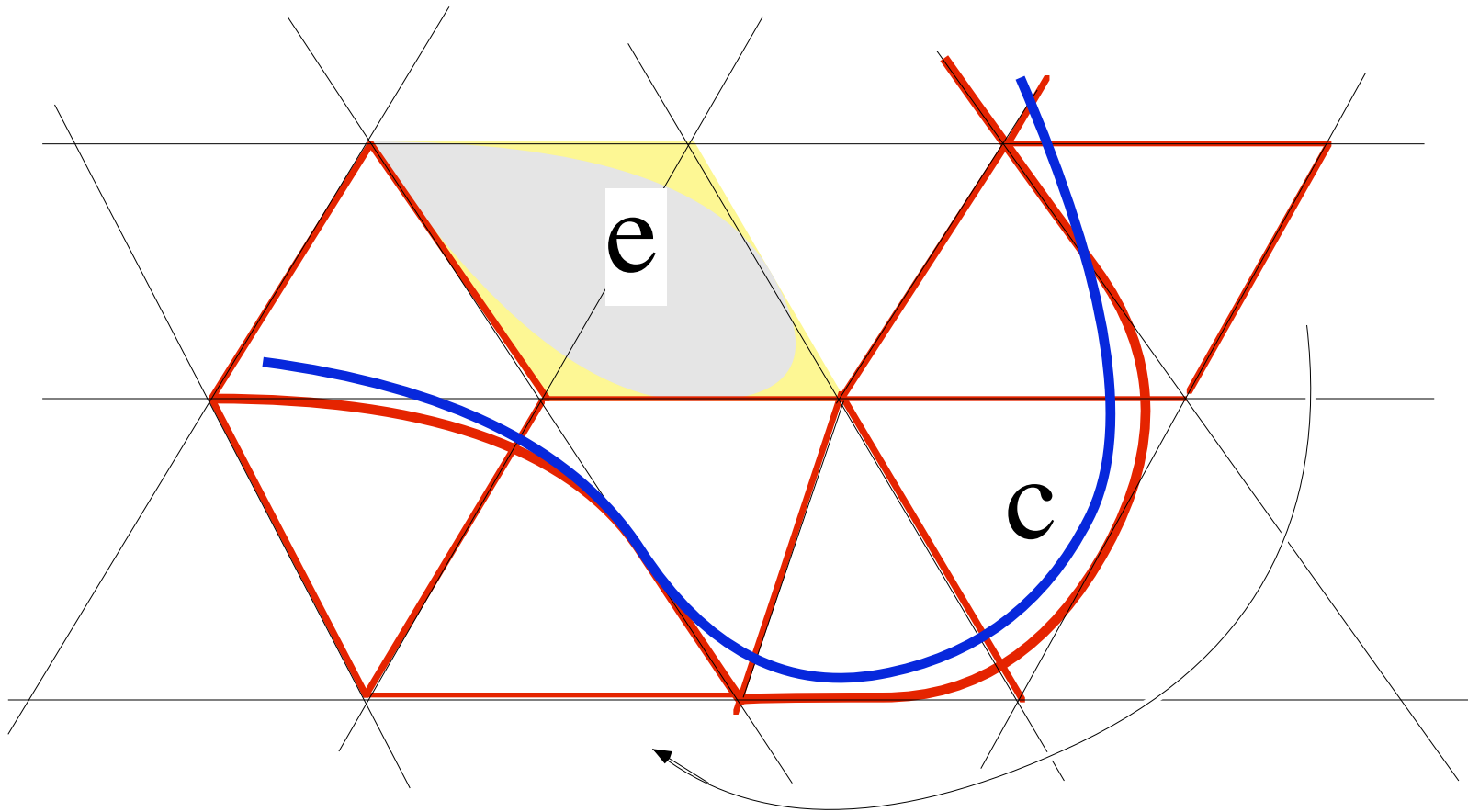
Once obtained the cochains **b**, **e**, **h**, **d**,
what about the fields themselves?

or else:

Are there objects that would be to
differential forms what finite elements are
to functions, i.e., to 0-forms?

$$\mathbf{e} \square \sum_{a \square \mathcal{A}} \mathbf{e}_a w^a$$

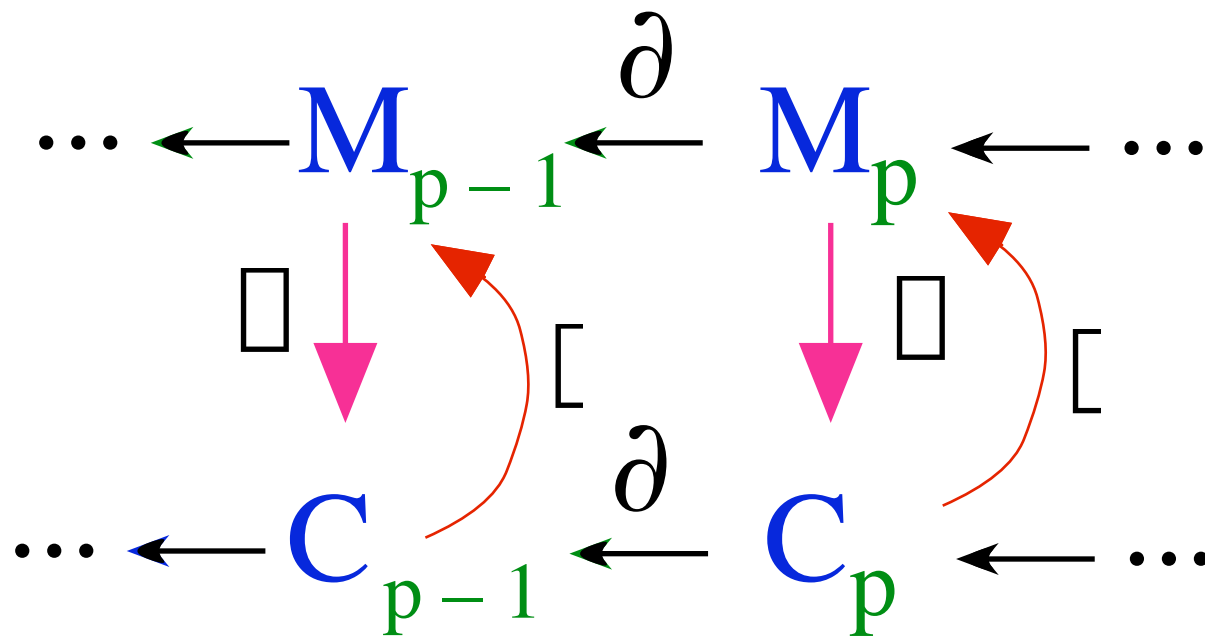
$$\mathbf{b} \square \sum_{f \square \mathcal{F}} \mathbf{b}_f w^f$$



If $\mathbf{c} \sim \sum_{\mathbf{e} \in \mathcal{E}} w^{\mathbf{e}}(\mathbf{c}) \mathbf{e}$, then $\square_{\mathbf{c}} \mathbf{a} \sim \sum_{\mathbf{e}} w^{\mathbf{e}}(\mathbf{c})$

hence $\square_{\mathbf{c}} \mathbf{a} \sim \sum_{\mathbf{e}} w^{\mathbf{e}}(\mathbf{c}) \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{e}}$, so $\mathbf{a} \sim \sum_{\mathbf{e}} \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{e}} w^{\mathbf{e}}$

A chain map:

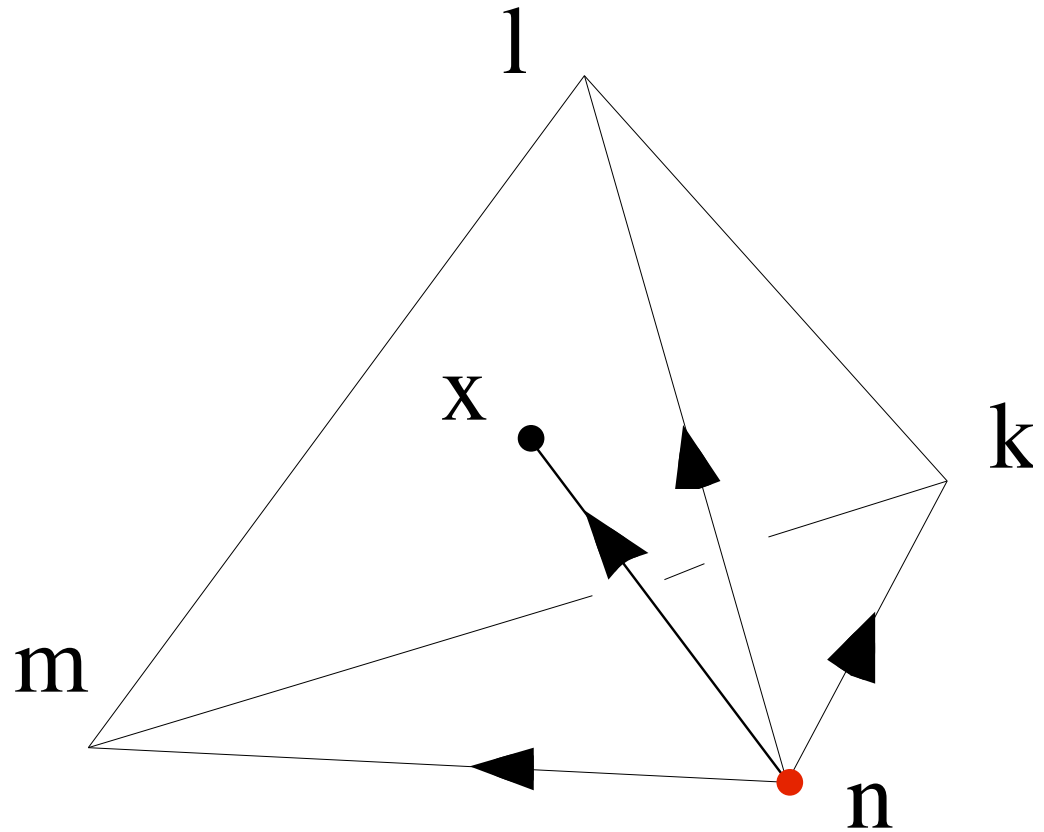


Thm.: \square unique \square such that

$$\square \partial = \partial \square, \quad \square \square = 1, \quad \square(x) = \sum_n \square_n \mathcal{N} \square^n(x)$$

$$\square(x) \approx \sum_n \square^n(x) \square_n \equiv \langle \sum_n \square^n(x) \square_n ; \square \rangle = \langle \square(x) \rangle$$

"Obviously", $\varphi(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i \varphi^i(\mathbf{x}) n_i$, $i \in \{k, l, m, n\}$



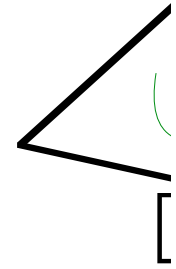
More formally:

$$\varphi(\partial(\mathbf{x})) = \varphi(\mathbf{x}) - \varphi(\mathbf{n}) = \sum_i \varphi^i(\mathbf{x})(i - n) = \sum_i \varphi^i(\mathbf{x}) n_i + \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \varphi_f(\mathbf{x}) \partial f$$

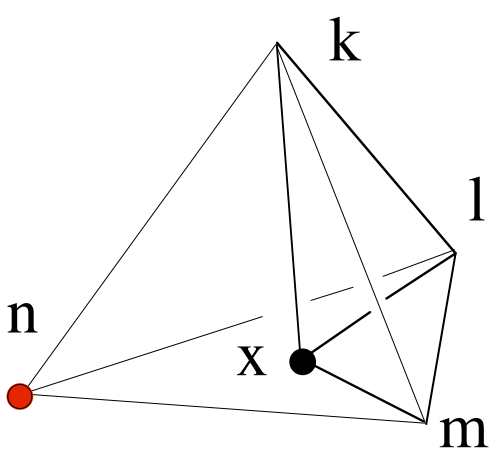
with φ_f linear, but $[\varphi(\mathbf{nm}) = \mathbf{nm}] \implies \varphi_f = 0$.

All gory details omitted,

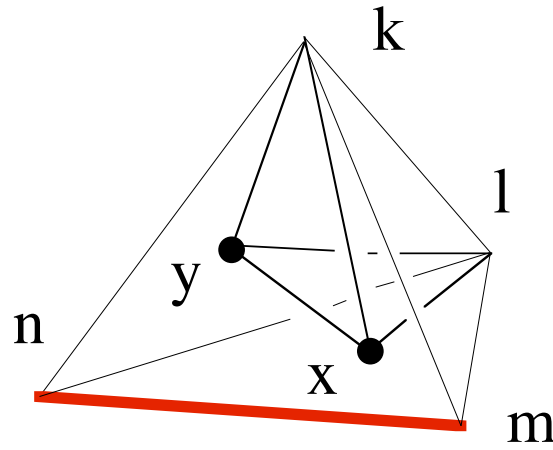
for a p -simplex s ,



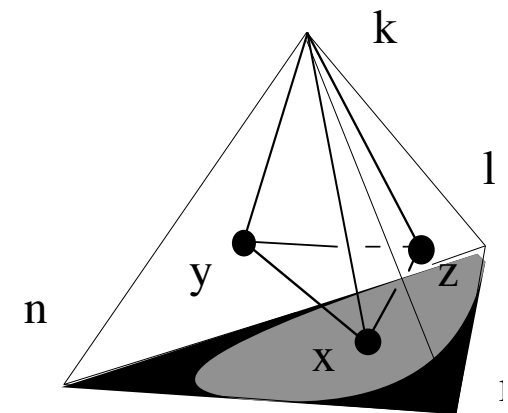
$$w^s(x) = \sum_{\sigma \in \{(p-1)\text{-simplices}\}} \partial_{\sigma}^s w^{\sigma}(x) dw^{\sigma}$$



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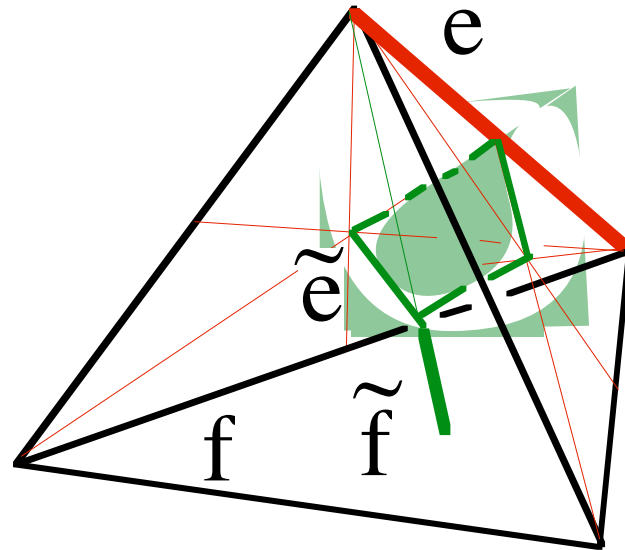


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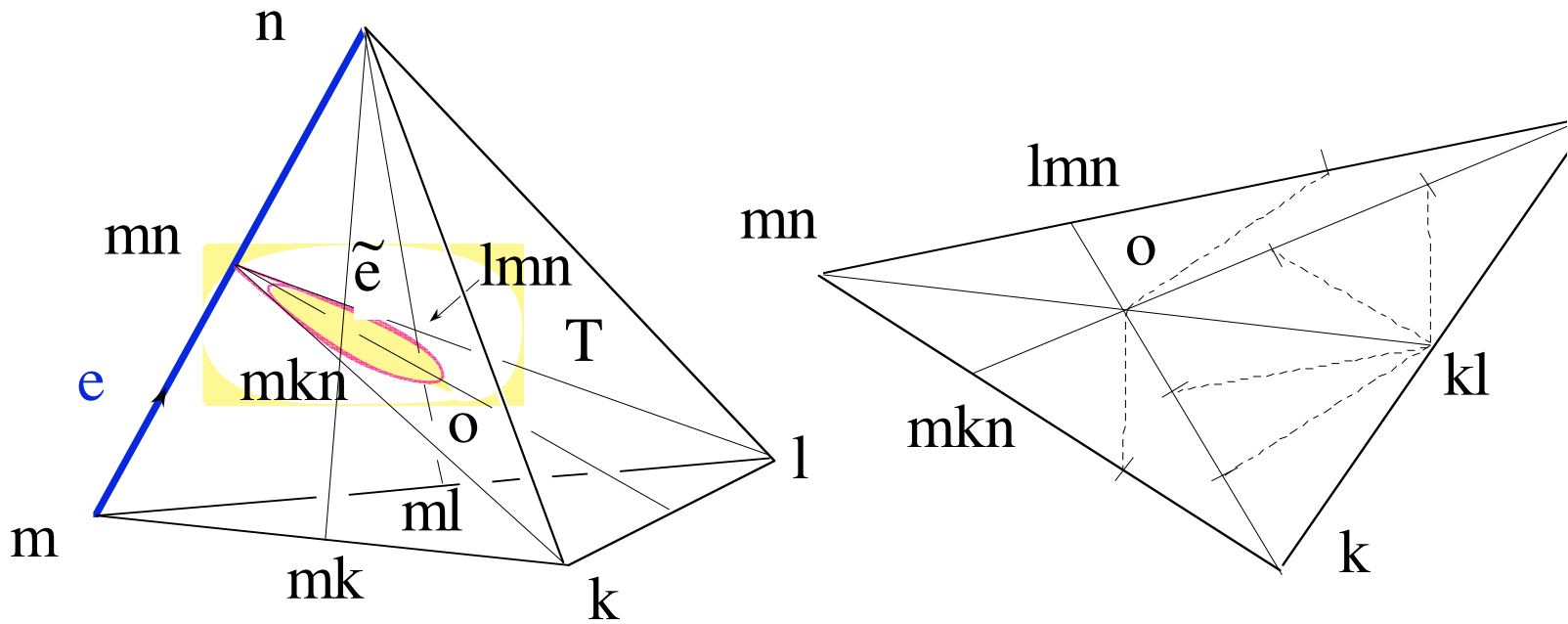
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$$\underbrace{\square}_f w^e = \square w^e \square w^f = \underbrace{\square}_e w^f$$



So if \mathbf{b} is constant, $\square w^e \square \mathbf{b} = \underbrace{\square}_e \mathbf{b}$, i.e., " $\square w^e$

$$\square w^e = \tilde{e}, \quad \square w^f = \tilde{f}$$



$$\square_T \square w^n = \{k, l, m\}/3$$

$$\square_T w^m \square w^n - w^m \square w^n =$$

$$(\{k, l, m\}/3 + \{k, l, n\}/3)/4 = \tilde{e}$$

Whitney forms as a *partition of un*

- $\sum_n w^n(\mathbf{x}) = 1 \quad \square \mathbf{x}$

- $\sum_e w^e(\mathbf{x}) = 1 \quad \square \mathbf{x}$

i.e., $\sum_e (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}^e(\mathbf{x})) \mathbf{e} = \mathbf{v} \quad \square$

- $\sum_f w^f(\mathbf{x}) = 1 \quad \square \mathbf{x}$

etc.

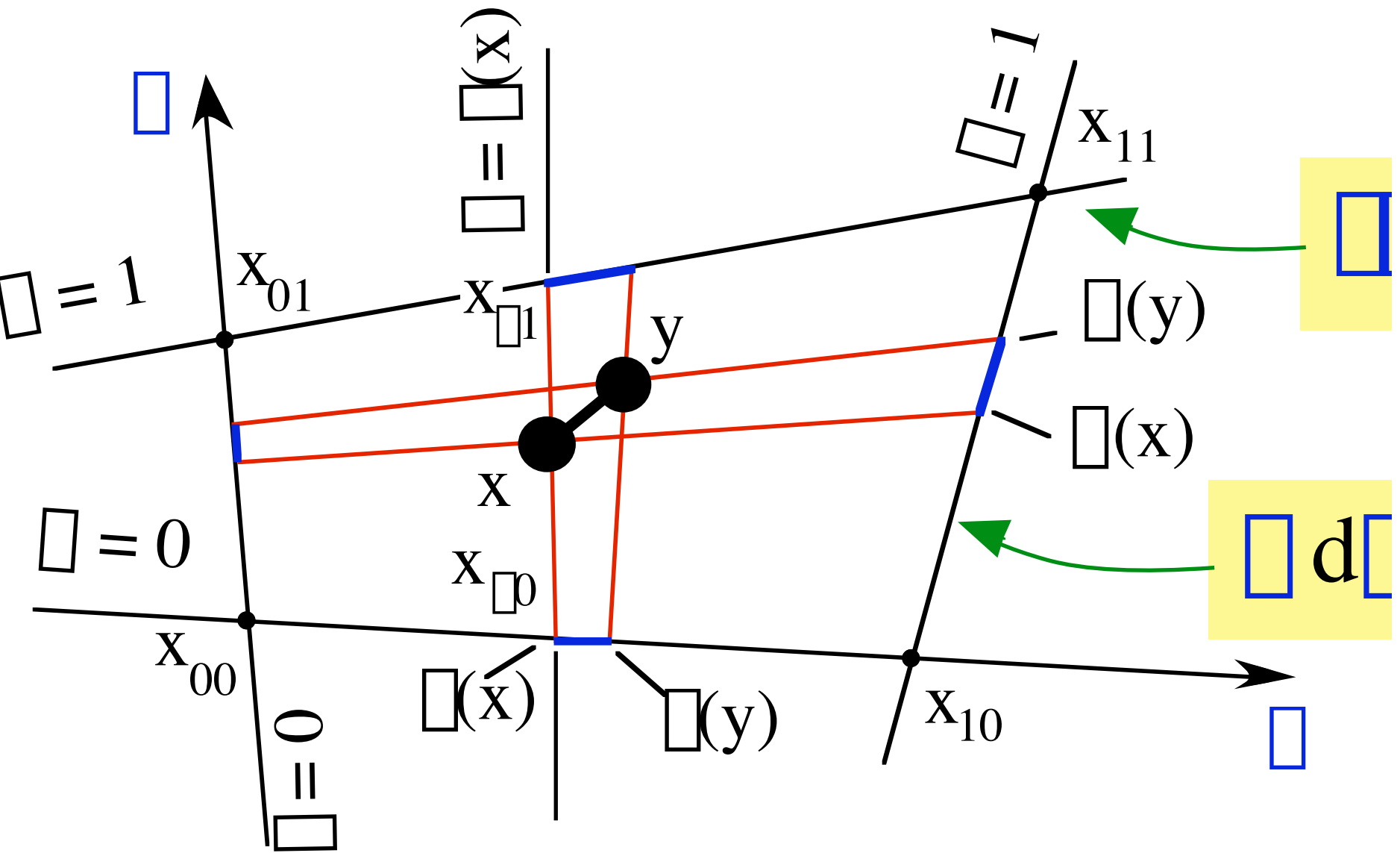
Consequence: The *mass matrix* \mathbf{M} of edge elements ...

$$\sum_{e'} \mathbf{w}^e(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{w}^{e'}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{e}' = \mathbf{w}^e(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\sum_{e'} \left[\int_D \mathbf{w}^e(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{w}^{e'}(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} \right] \mathbf{e}' = \int_D \mathbf{w}^e(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x}$$

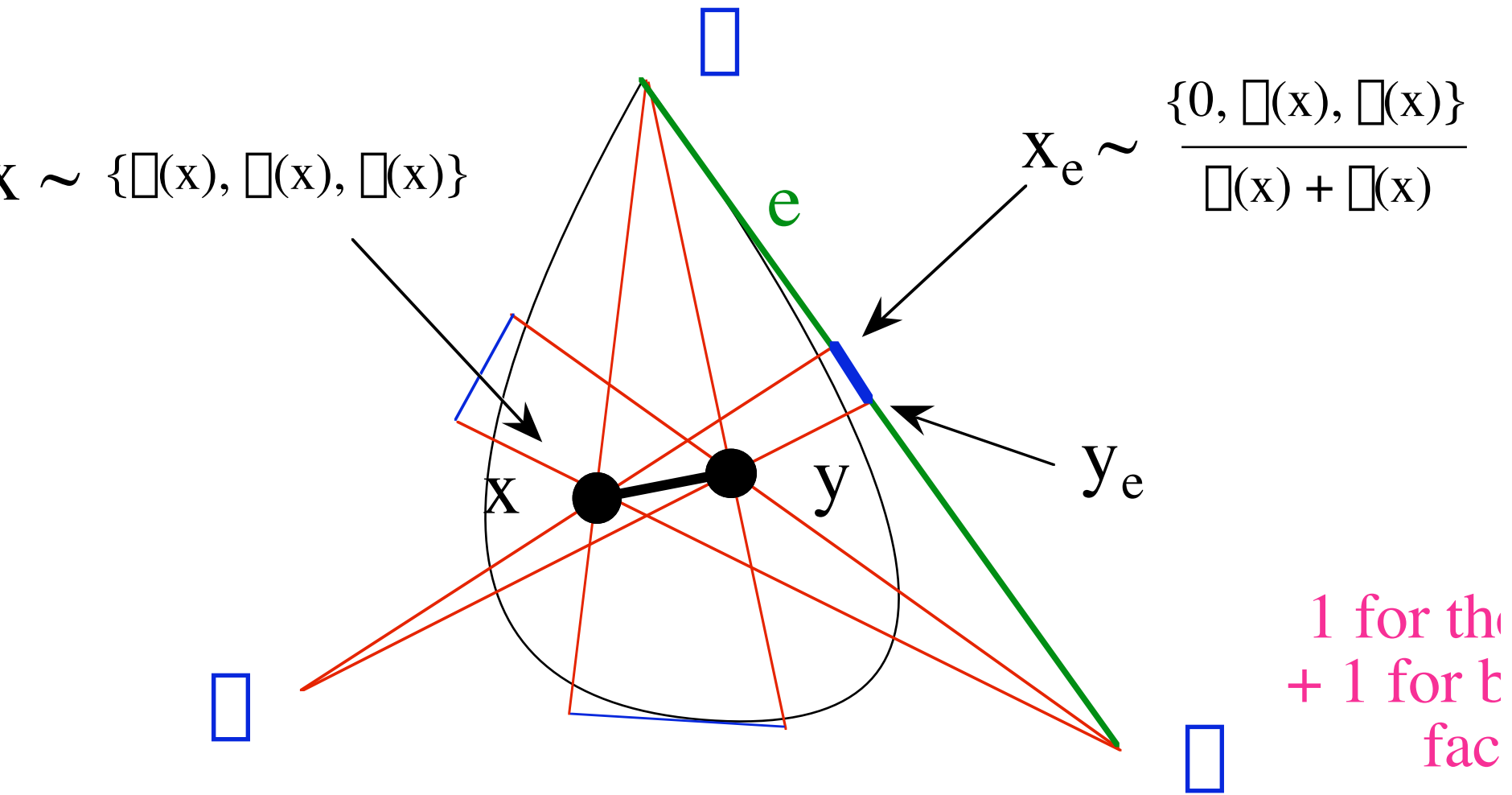
$$\sum_{e'} \mathbf{M}^{ee'} \mathbf{e}' = \int_D \mathbf{w}^e(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} = \tilde{\mathbf{e}}$$

... satisfies the *consistency* requirement



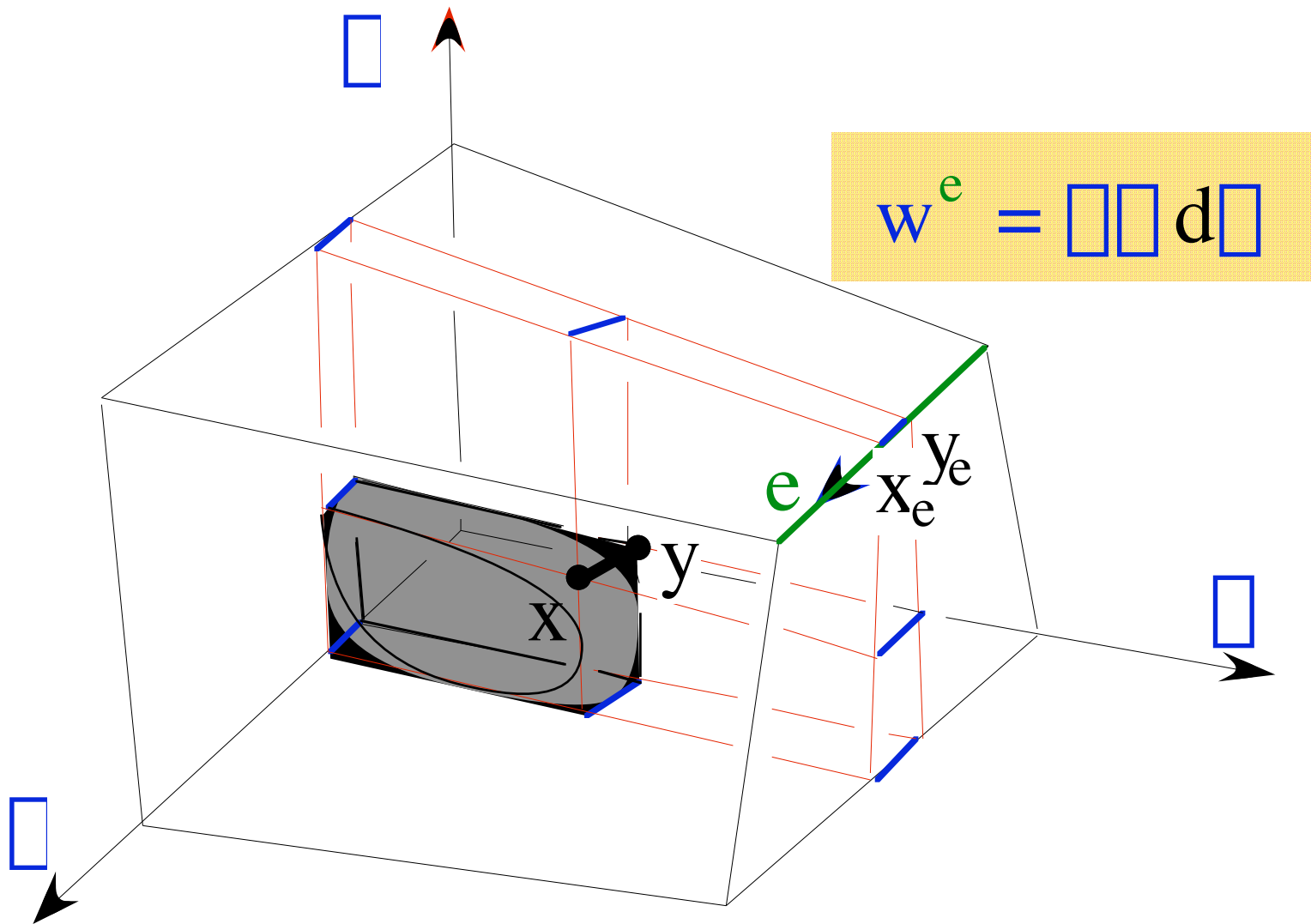
Weight of x w.r.t. x_{11} : $f(x) f(x)$

Weight of xy w.r.t. $x_{10} x_{11}$: $\frac{1}{2} [f(x) + f(y)](f(y) -$



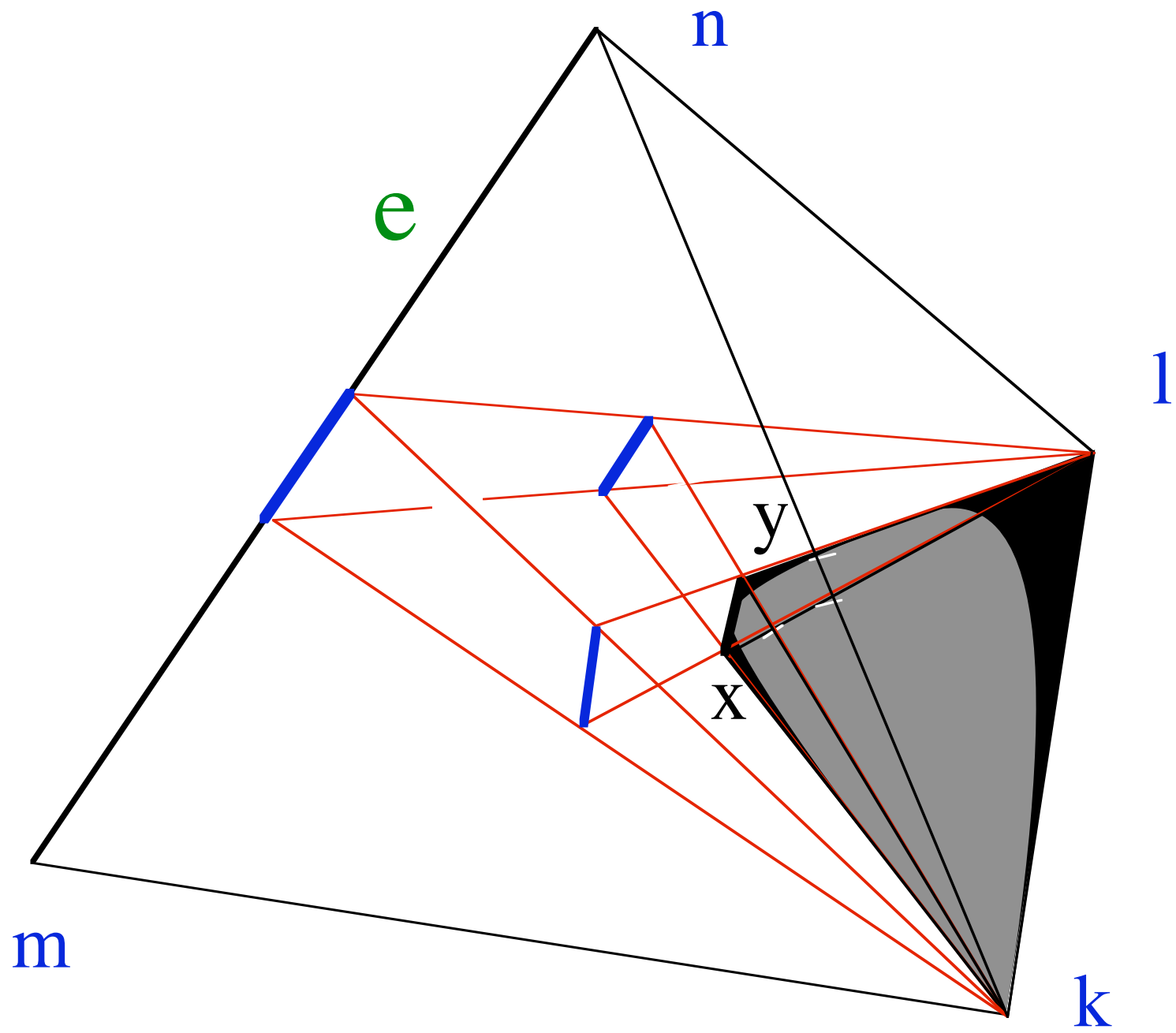
Weight of xy w.r.t. e is $\frac{x_e y_e}{x_{\square} x_{\square}} \square [(\square + \square) \left(\frac{x + y}{2}\right)]$

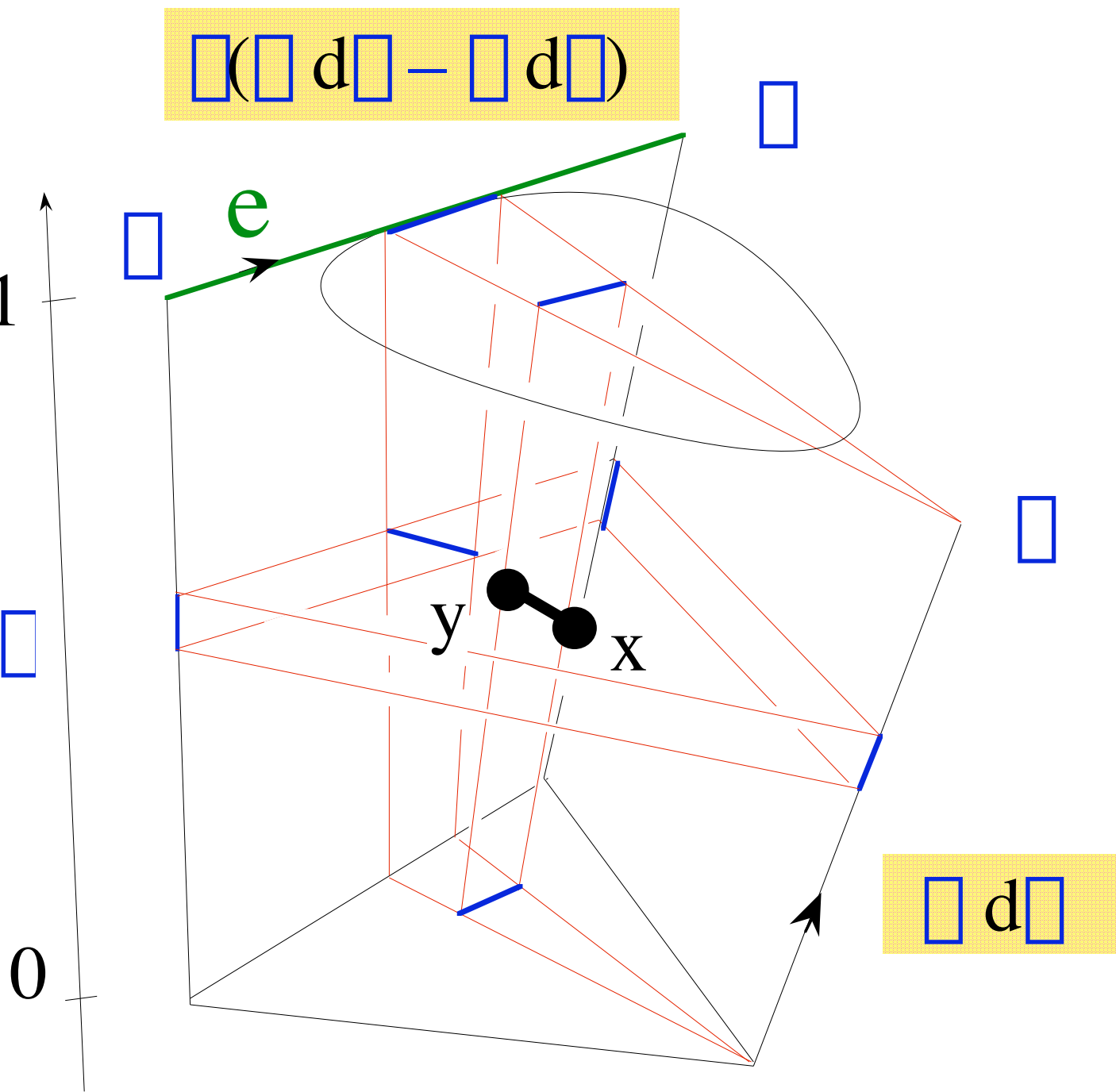
which is $(\square d \square - \square d \square)(xy)$ indeed



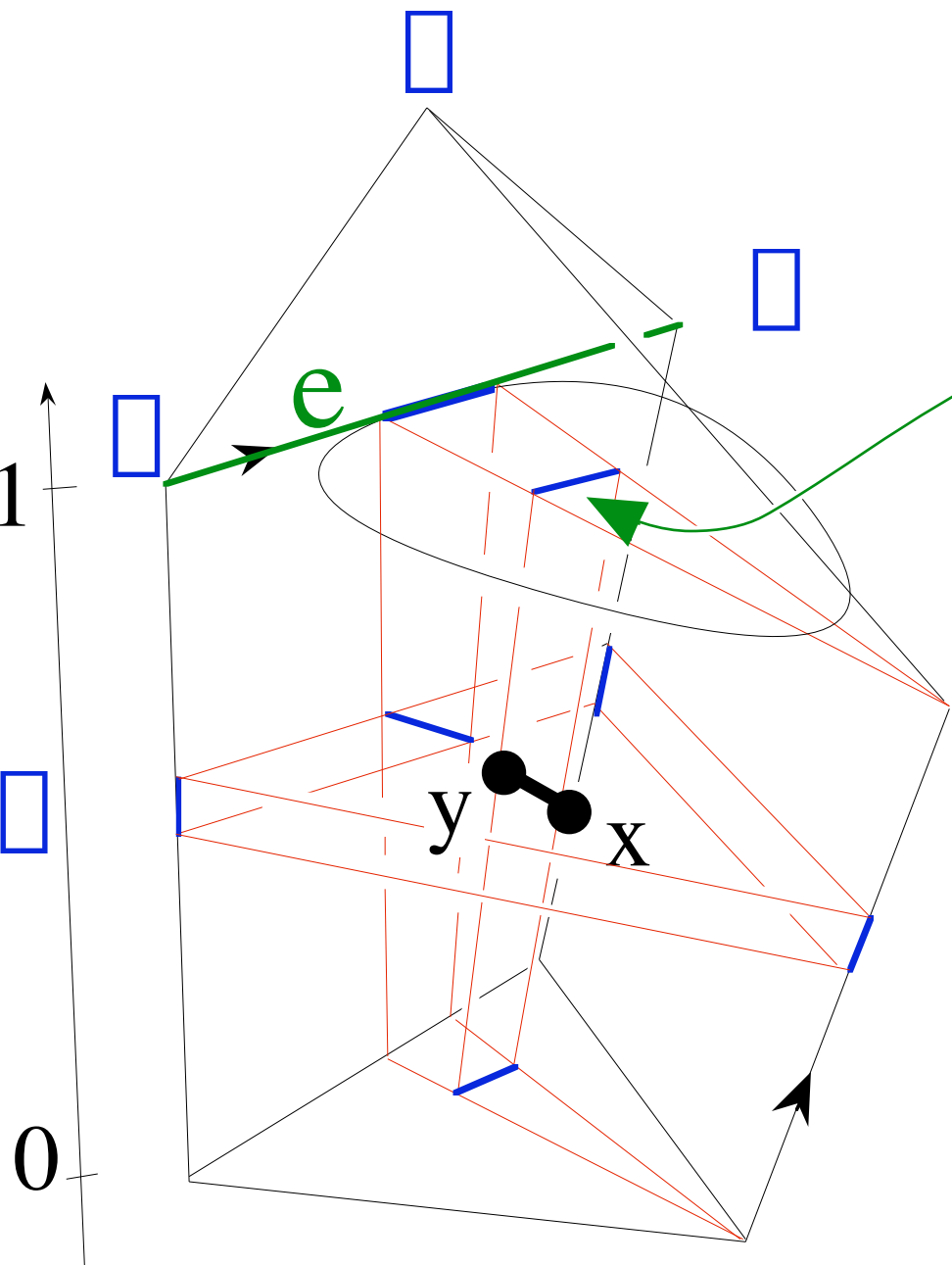
$$w^e = \int \int d\Omega$$

$d\Omega(x, y) = \frac{x_e y_e}{e}$. Weights $\int(x)$ and $\int(x)$
gathered by projecting left then up

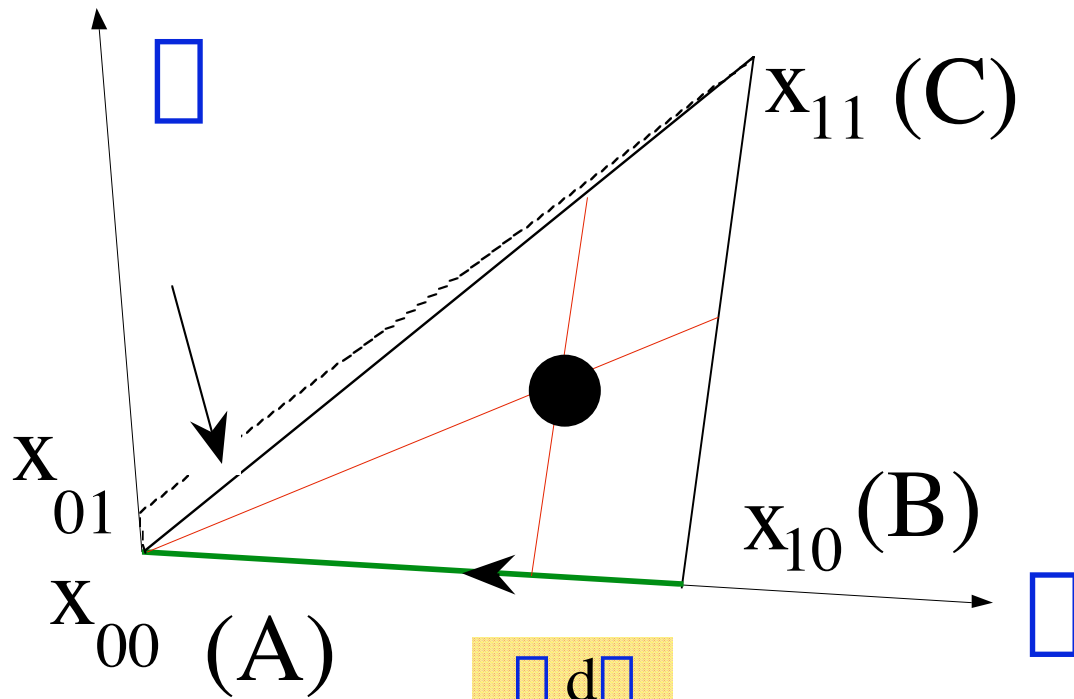




Simplicial
projection
in p dime:
"isoparametric"
one in $n -$
other dime



Same weight
evaluated from
both sides, hence
"conformity"



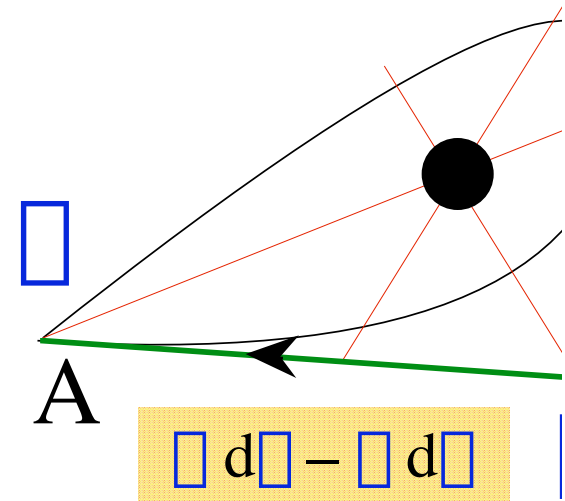
Not the sam

$$\square = \frac{\square}{\square + \square}$$

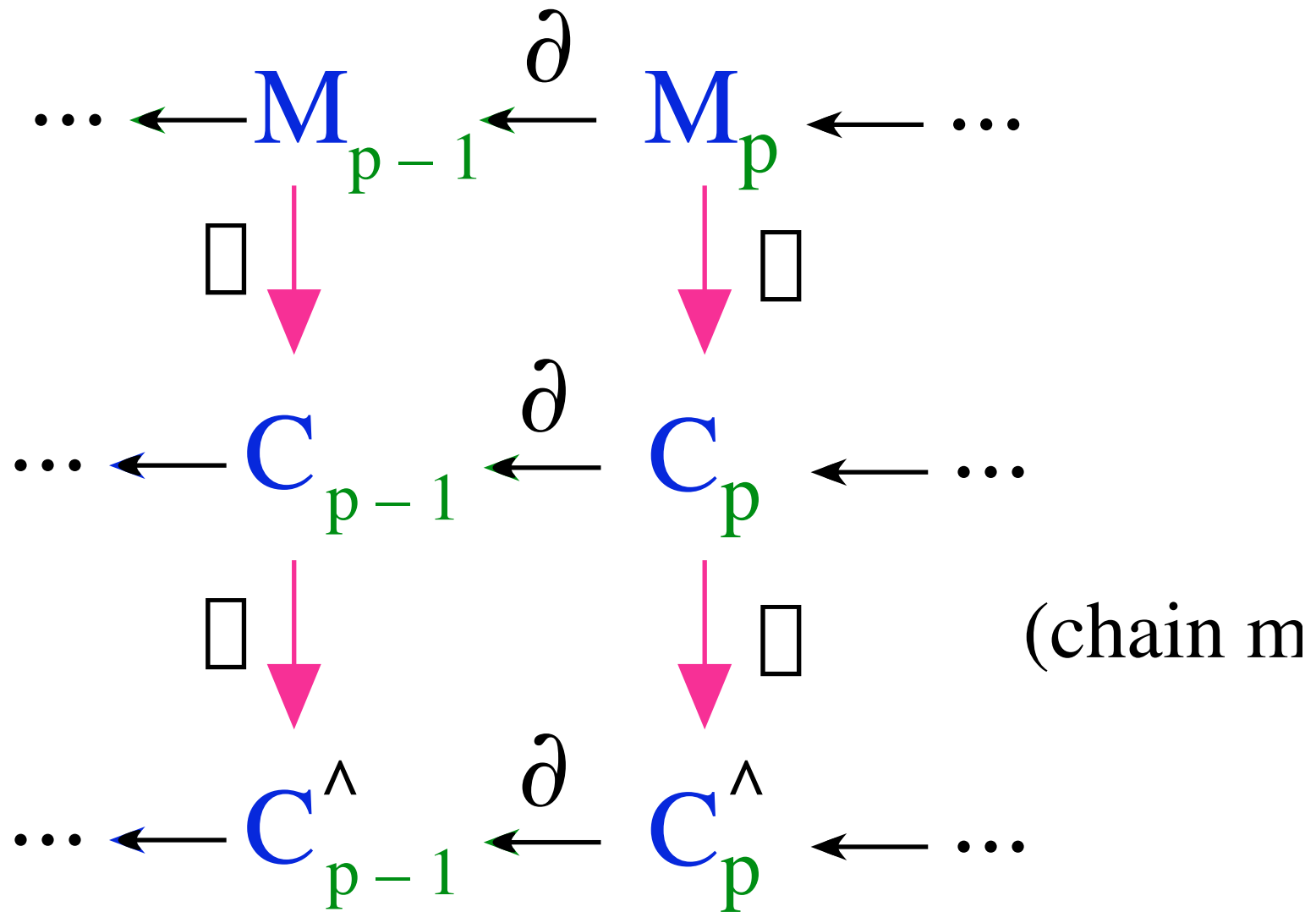
$$\square = \square + \square$$

$$\frac{\square d\square}{1 - \square}$$

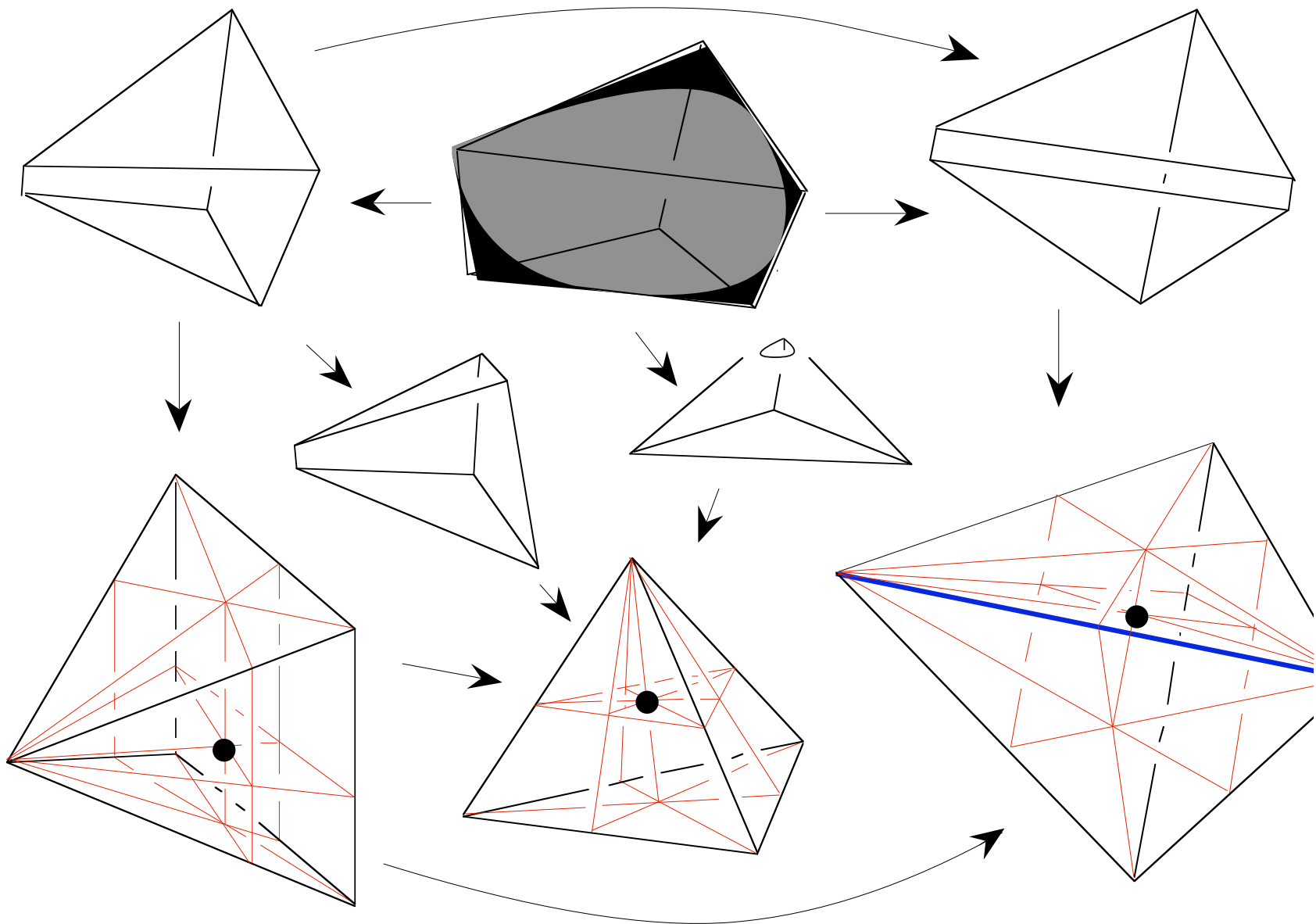
$$(\square - 1)d\square$$

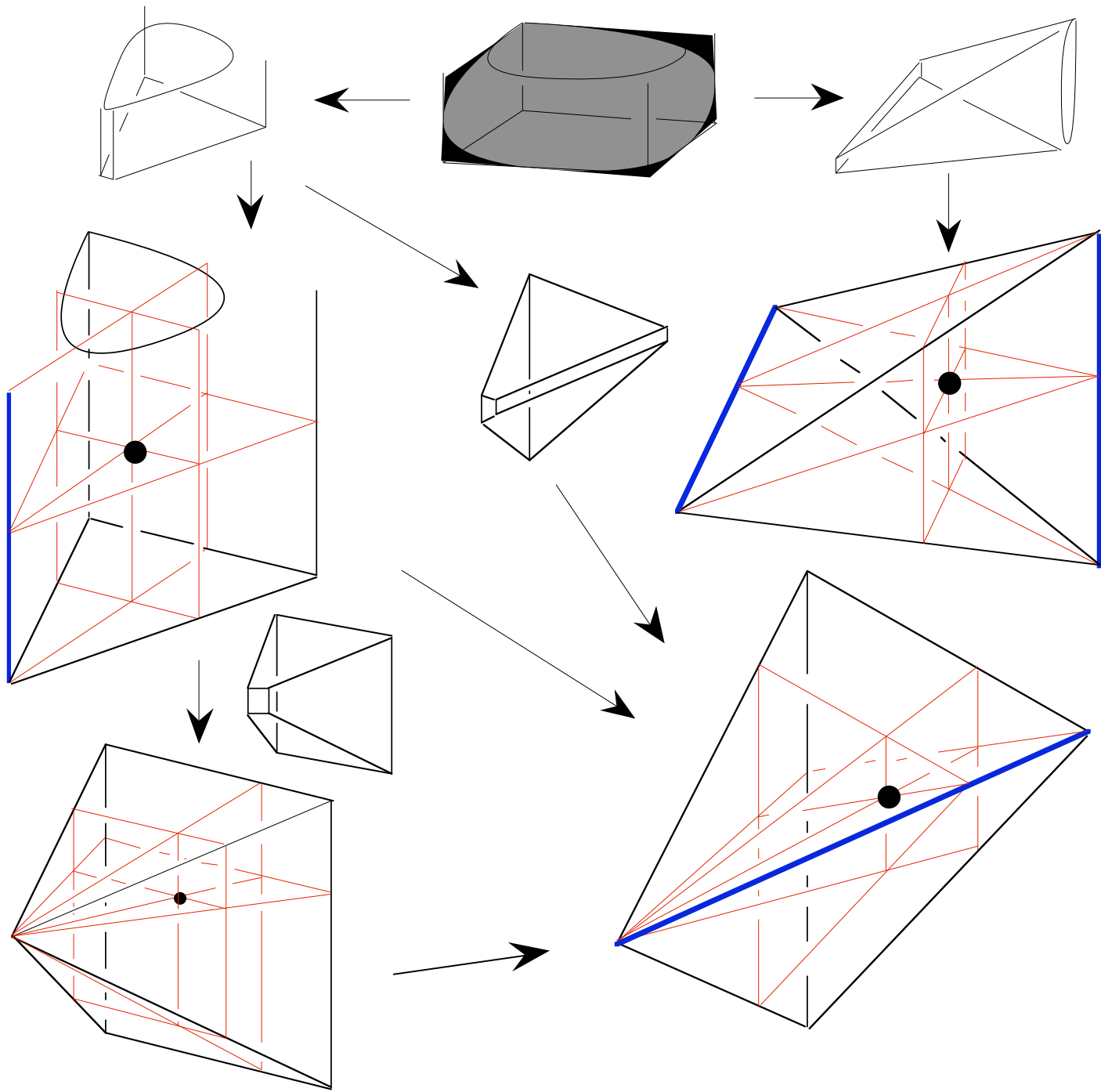


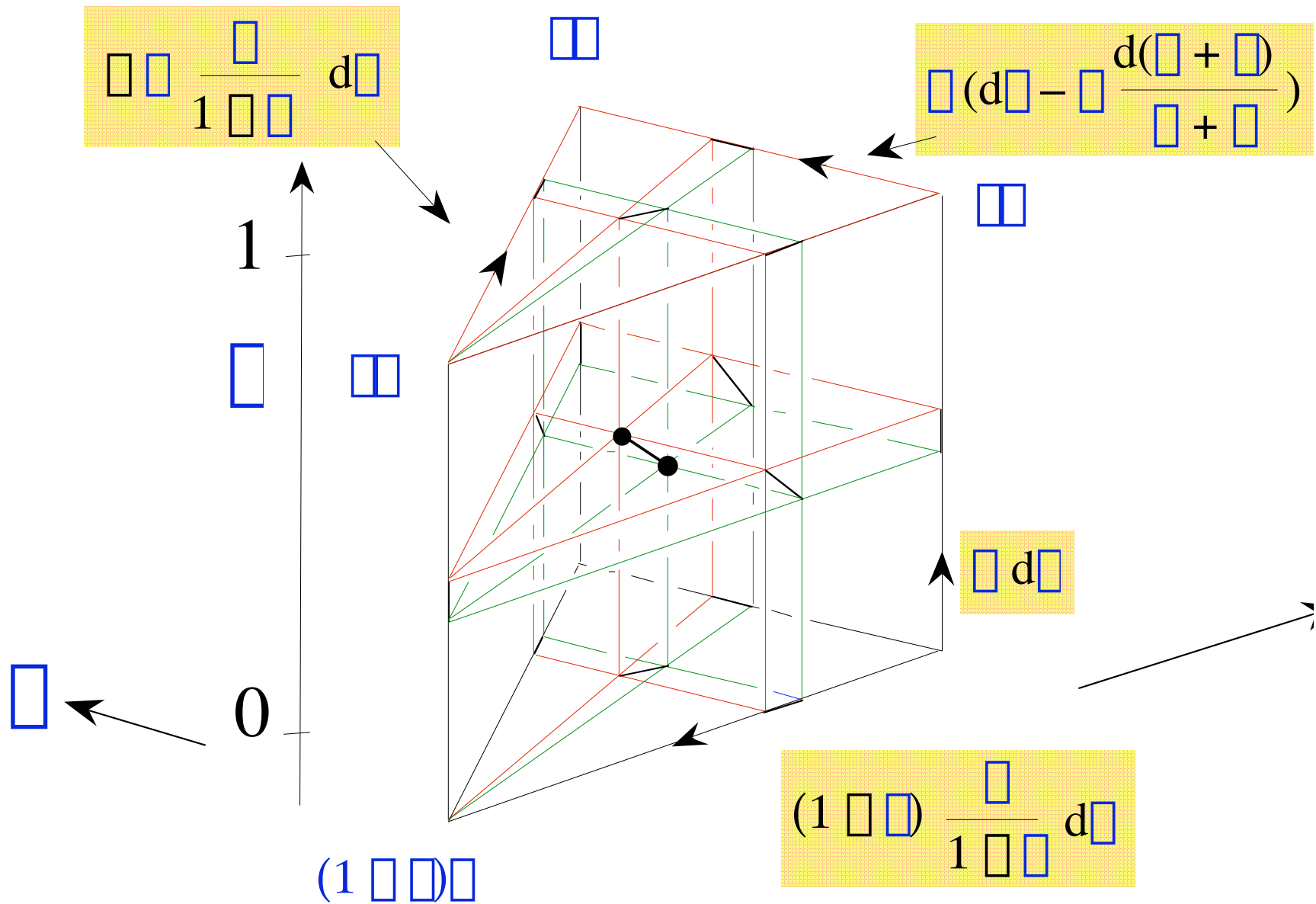
"Degeneracies": Theory



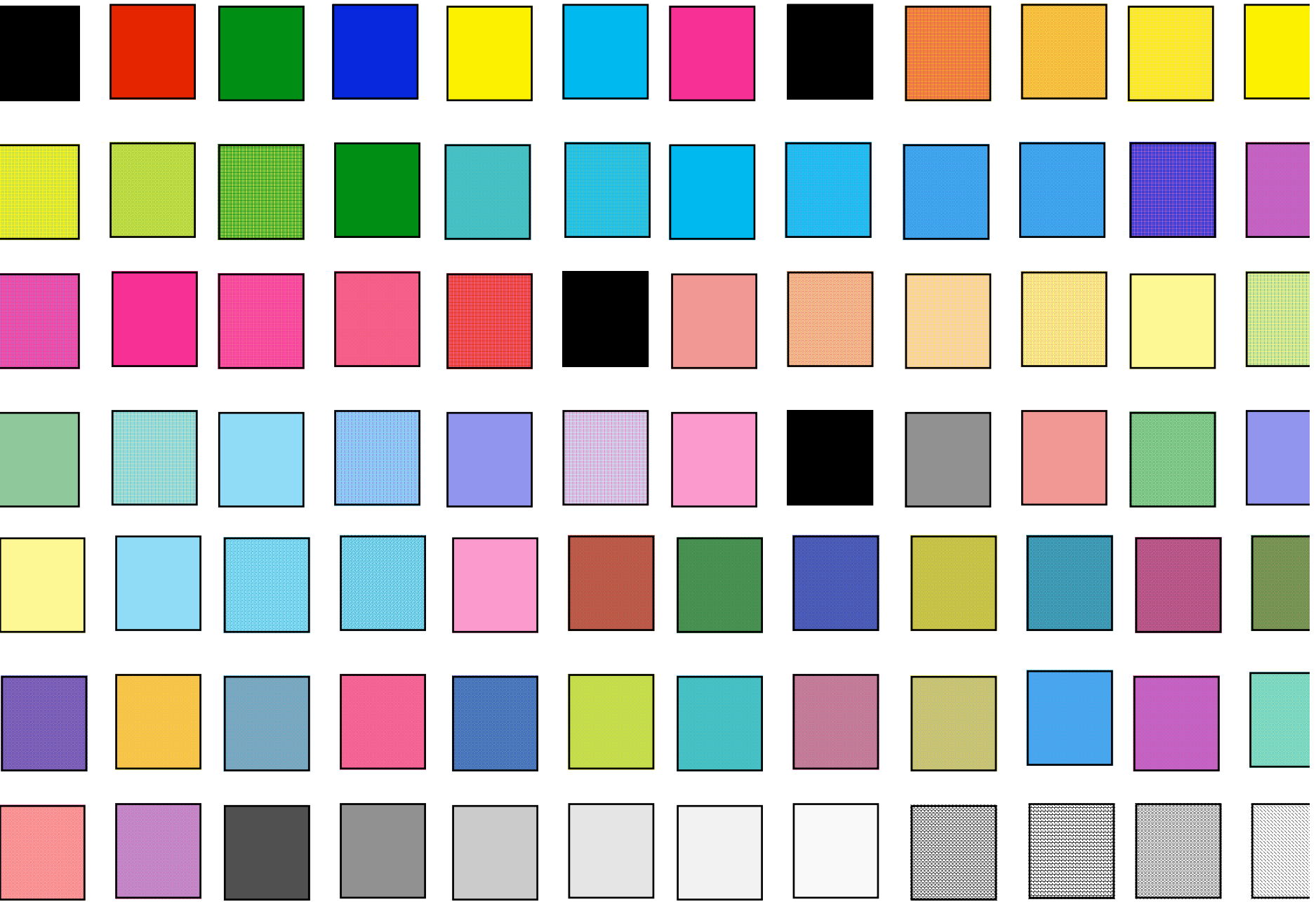
$$\text{Whitney}(\square(s)) = \sum \text{Whitney}(\square^{-1}(s))$$







Old coordinates x, y, z . New ones, x', y', z' ,



$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \dots & \xleftarrow{\partial_{p-1}} & C_{p-1} & \xleftarrow{\partial_p} & C_p & \xleftarrow{\partial_{p+1}} & \dots \\
 & & \updownarrow & & \updownarrow & & \\
 \dots & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \bar{C}_{p-1} & \xleftarrow{\bar{\partial}_p} & \bar{C}_p & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \dots
 \end{array}$$

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