

# Algebraic Geometry

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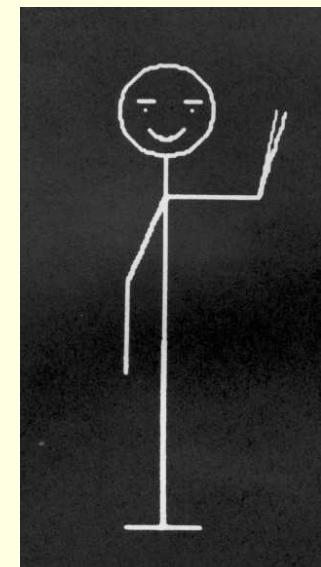
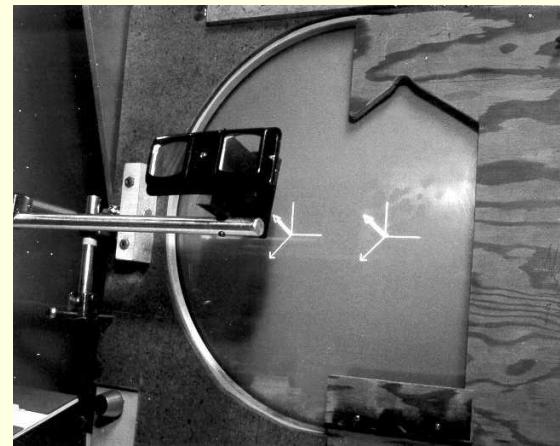
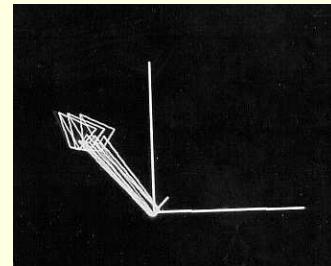
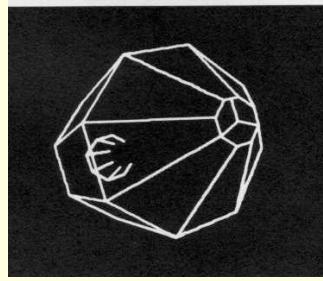
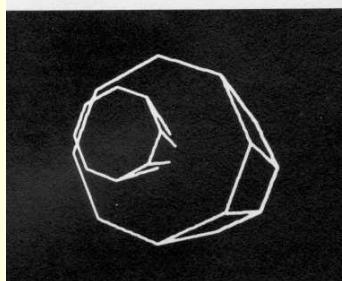
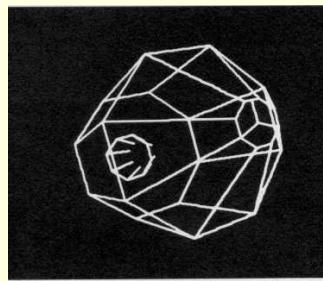
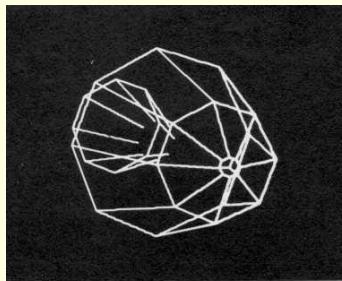
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1967-1974



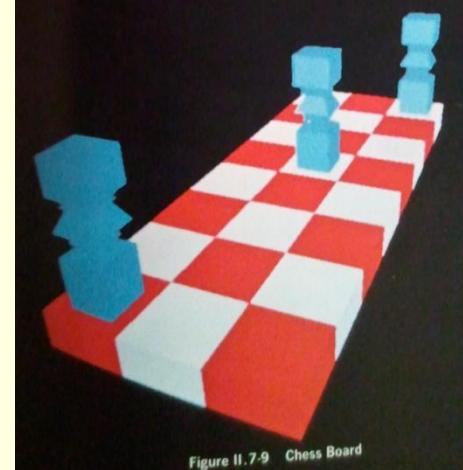
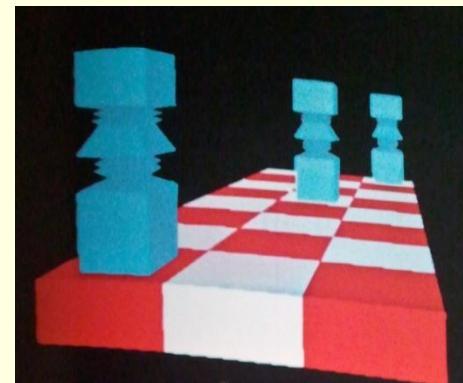
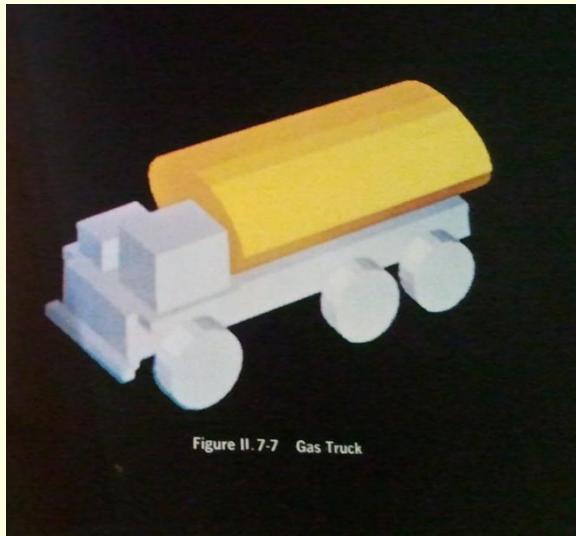
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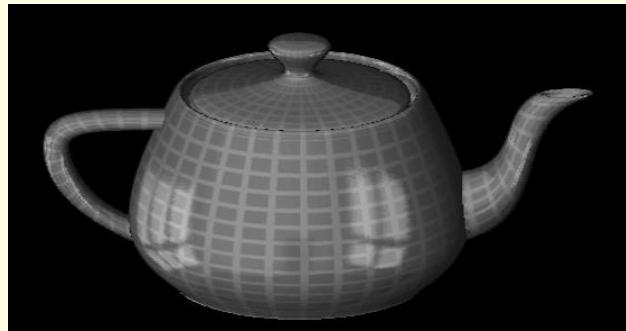
1969



+ Appendix

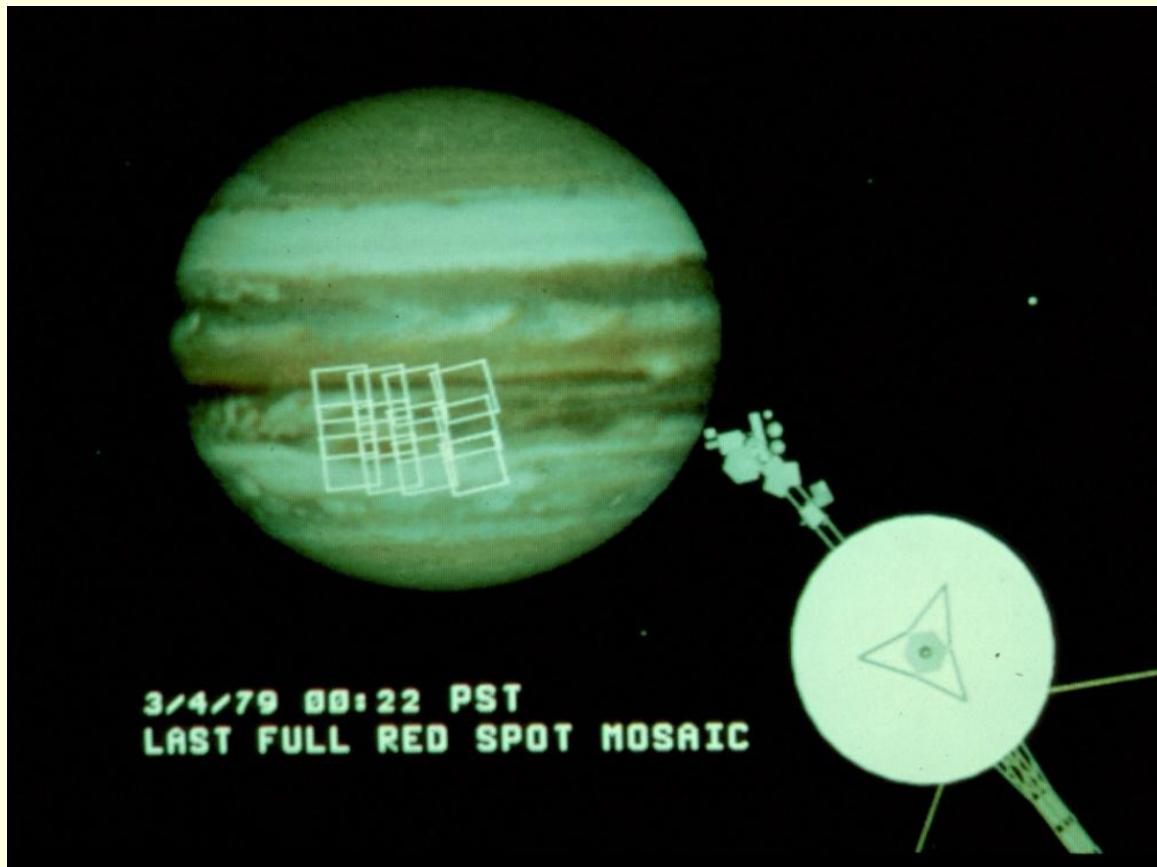
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1974-1977



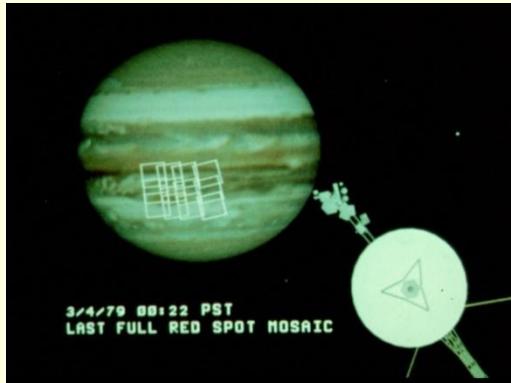
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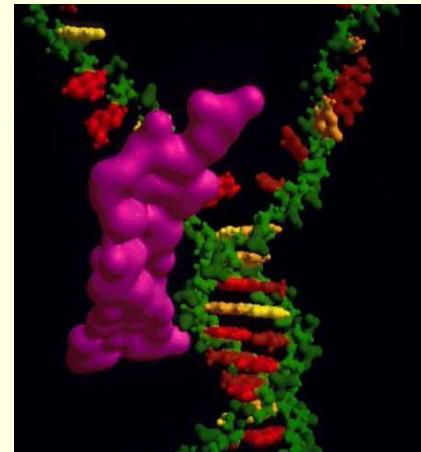


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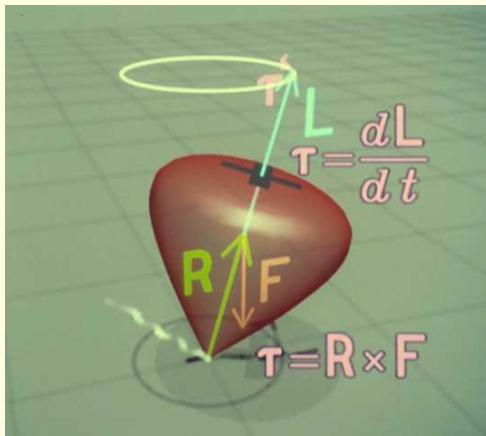
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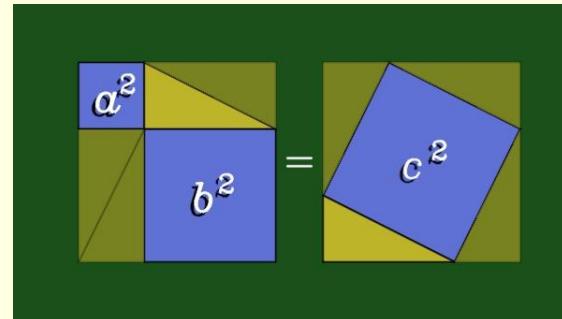
Voyager



Cosmos



The Mechanical Universe



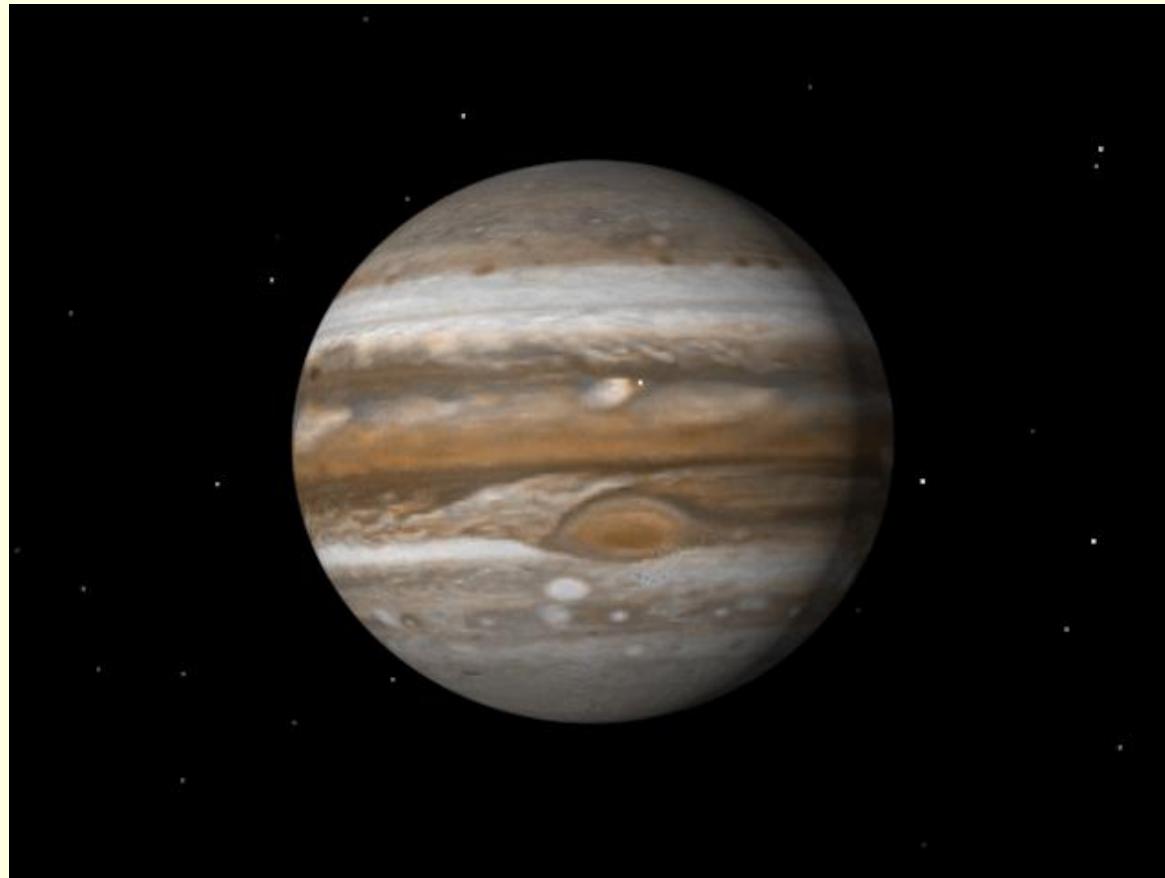
Mathematics!

# Render 3D Objects



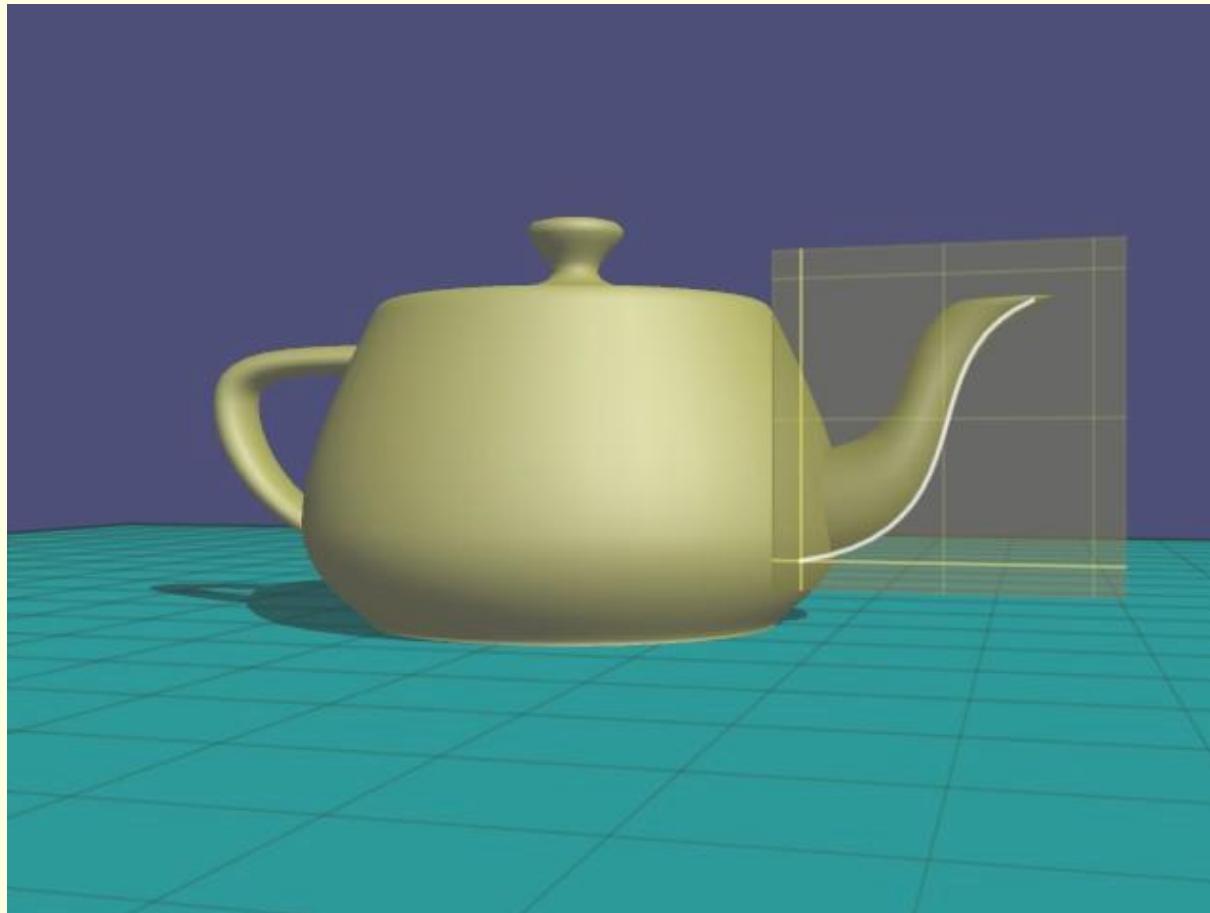
Planar Polygons = First Order Surfaces

# Render 3D Objects



Second Order Surfaces

# Render 3D Objects



Third (and higher) Order Surfaces

# UM, UU, JPL, Microsoft and Now

1962-present

## Studying Algebraic Geometry

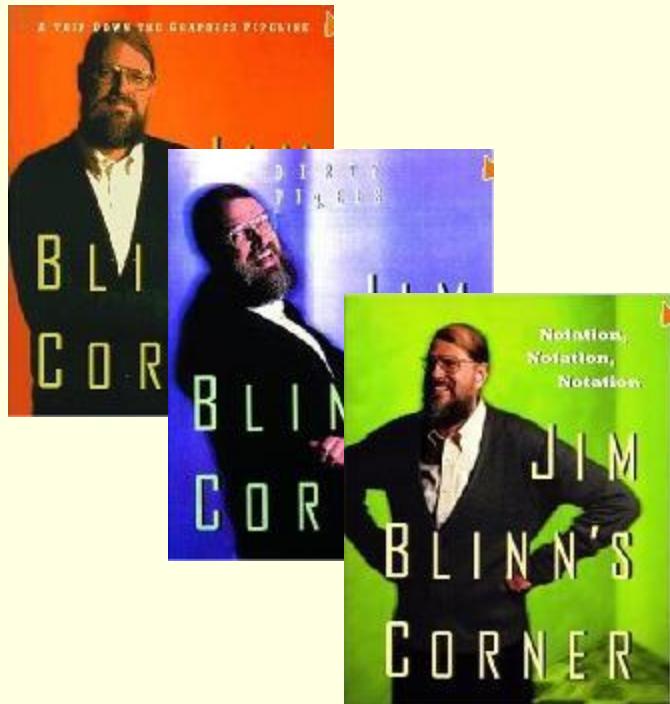
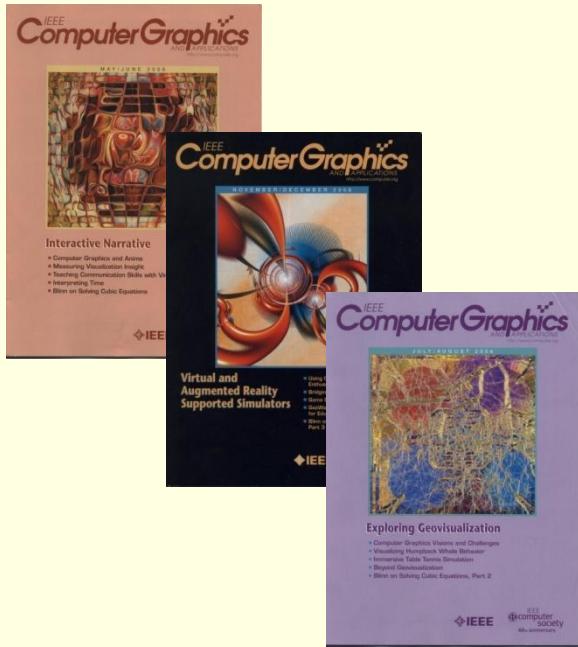
Algebraic Equations

Geometric Shapes

Making Algebraic Geometry  
More Understandable

# Jim Blinn's Corner Articles

1987 - 2007



Many of them on Algebraic Geometry

# Why Am I Here

- Share my enthusiasms
- Help me organize my ideas
  - I work better if I have an audience (M.B.)
  - Updates to old articles
  - Unpublished articles
  - Keep me from repeating myself
  - Publish on web site
- One Session every 2 weeks
- Later meetings may get more sketchy
- Discuss open questions

# Why Are You Here

- Varied Audience
  - Go slowly at first
  - Prerequisites:
    - vectors and matrices
    - homogeneous coords
- See old stuff in new ways
- See new stuff

# What I will talk about

- Real Algebraic Projective Geometry
  - Real is more complex than Complex
  - Projective is simpler than Euclidean
- Dimension 1,2,3
- Lowish Order Polynomials
  
- Notation, notation, notation
- Lots of Pictures

# Pictures? Hartshorne vs. Abraham&Shaw

Why no

can fool you

show only special cases

hard to generalize to high dimensions

hard to make

forces you to think (visualize internally)

Why yes

intuition

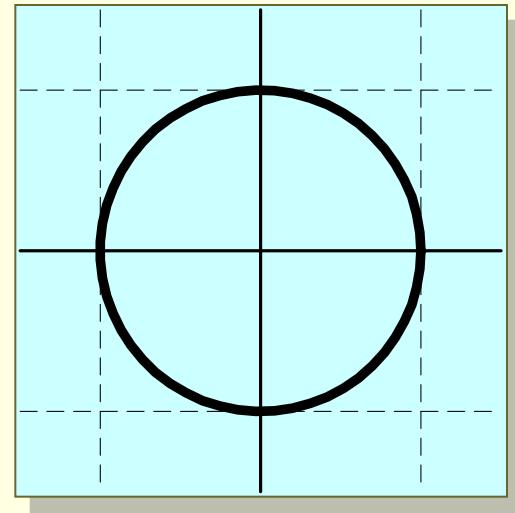
see patterns

I am visual thinker (*see* patterns)

pretty

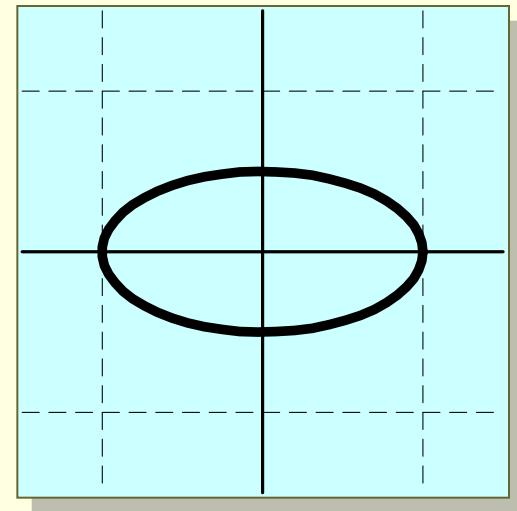
# Relation Between Algebra and Geometry

$$X^2 + Y^2 = 1$$



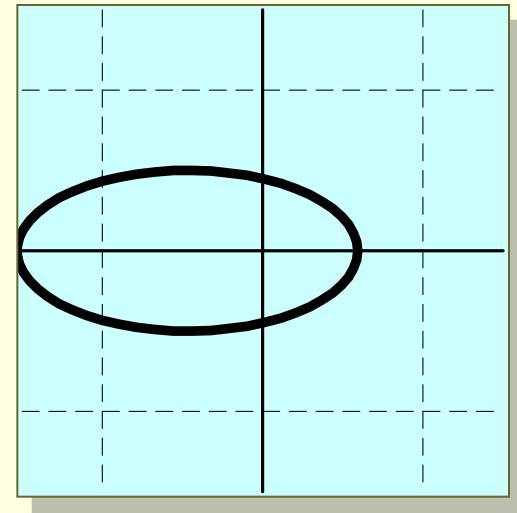
# Relation Between Algebra and Geometry

$$X^2 + 4Y^2 = 1$$



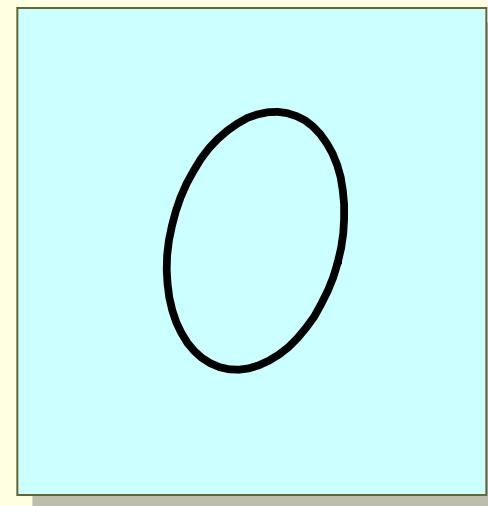
# Relation Between Algebra and Geometry

$$X^2 + X + 4Y^2 = 1$$



# General Quadratic Curve

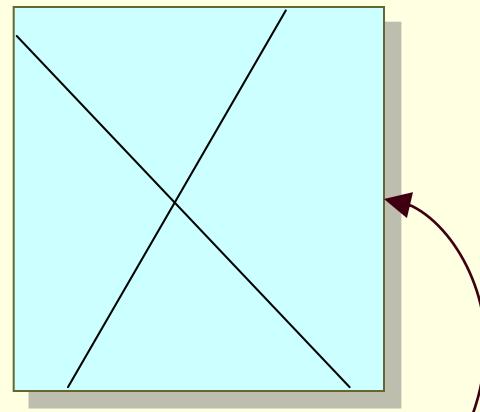
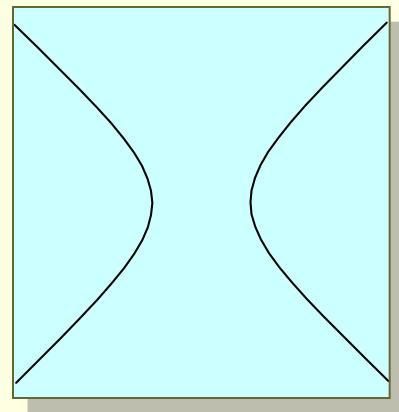
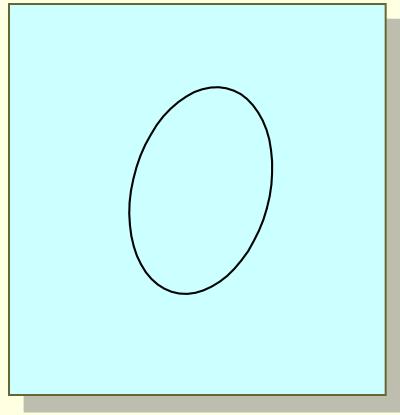
$$AX^2 + 2BXY + CY^2 + 2DX + 2EY + F = 0$$



# Quadratic Curve

$$AX^2 + 2BXY + CY^2$$

$$+2DX + 2EY + F = 0$$



Discriminant

$$\mathbf{D}(A, B, C, D, E, F) = 0$$

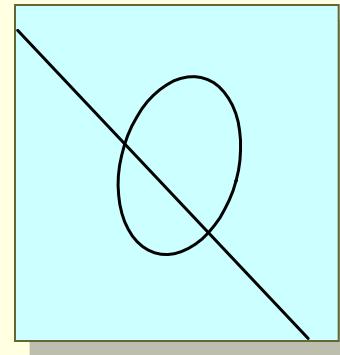
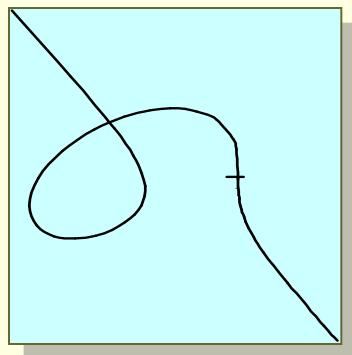
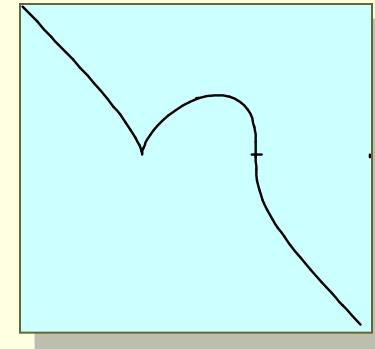
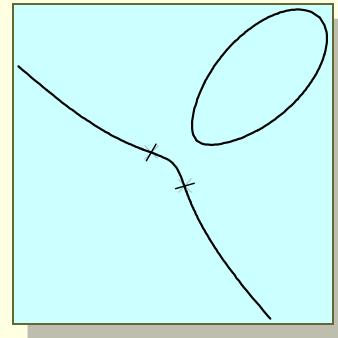
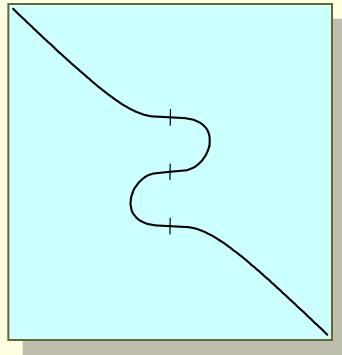
$$\mathbf{D}(\dots) = ACF + 2BED - D^2C - E^2A - B^2F$$

# Cubic Curve

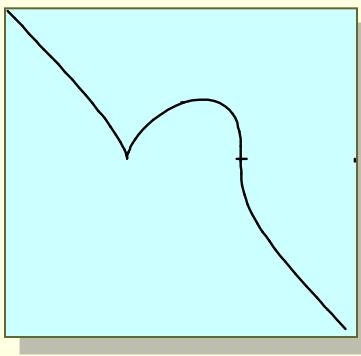
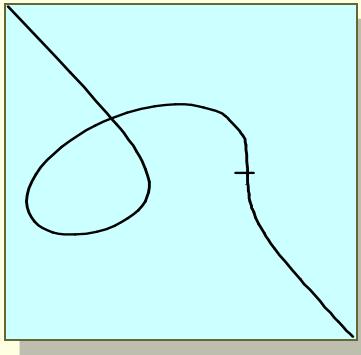
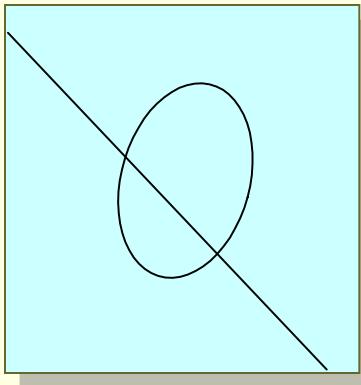
$$AX^3 + 3BX^2Y + 3CXY^2 + DY^3$$

$$+ 3EX^2 + 6FXY + 3GY^2$$

$$+ 3HX + 3JY + K = 0$$



# Discriminant of Cubic



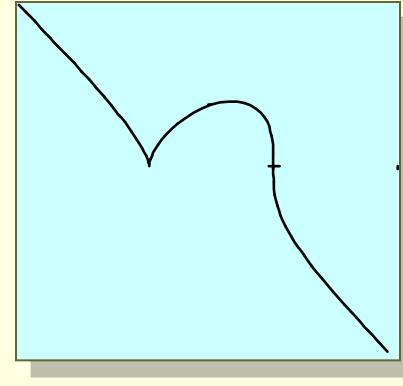
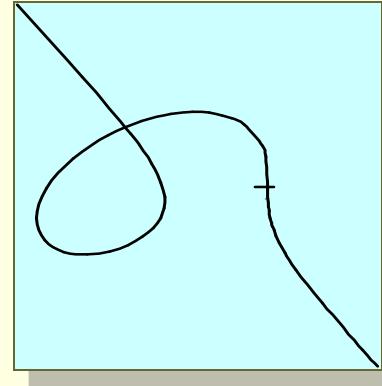
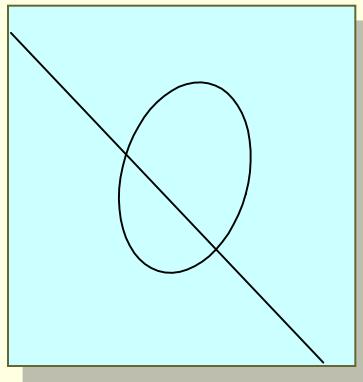
$$\mathbf{D}(A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, J, K) = 0$$

G. Salmon (1879):

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{D} = & A^4 D^4 K^4 - 12A^4 D^3 K^3 GJ \\& + 36A^4 D^2 K^2 G^2 J^2 + 64A^3 D^3 K^3 F^3 \\& - 192A^2 D^3 K^3 F^2 BE + 192AD^3 K^3 FB^2 E^2 \\& - 64D^3 K^3 B^3 E^3 + \dots\end{aligned}$$

**D** has over 10,000 terms

# Discriminant of Cubic



$$\mathbf{D} = 64S^3 + T^2$$

S: degree 4 in  $A \dots K$   
has 25 terms

T: degree 6 in  $A \dots K$   
has 103 terms

Want Better Notation

# Notation = Creative Abbreviation

$$ab + cd = e$$

$$fb + hd = k$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ f & h \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e \\ k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{M} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{w}$$

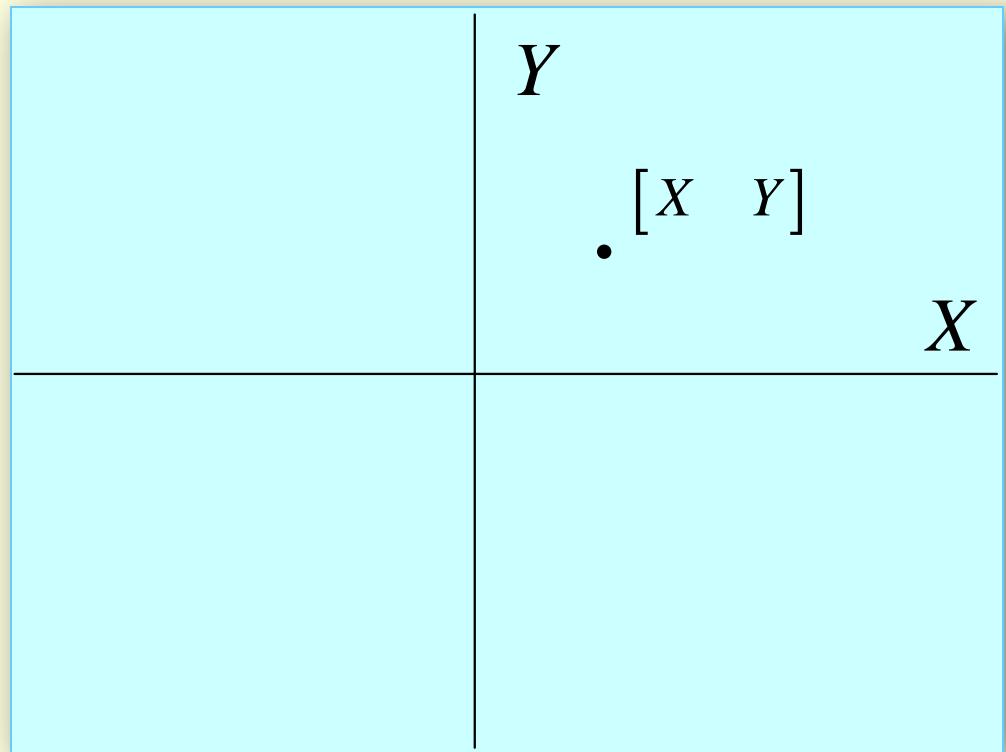
$$\mathbf{N}(\mathbf{M} \mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{N} \mathbf{M}) \mathbf{v}$$

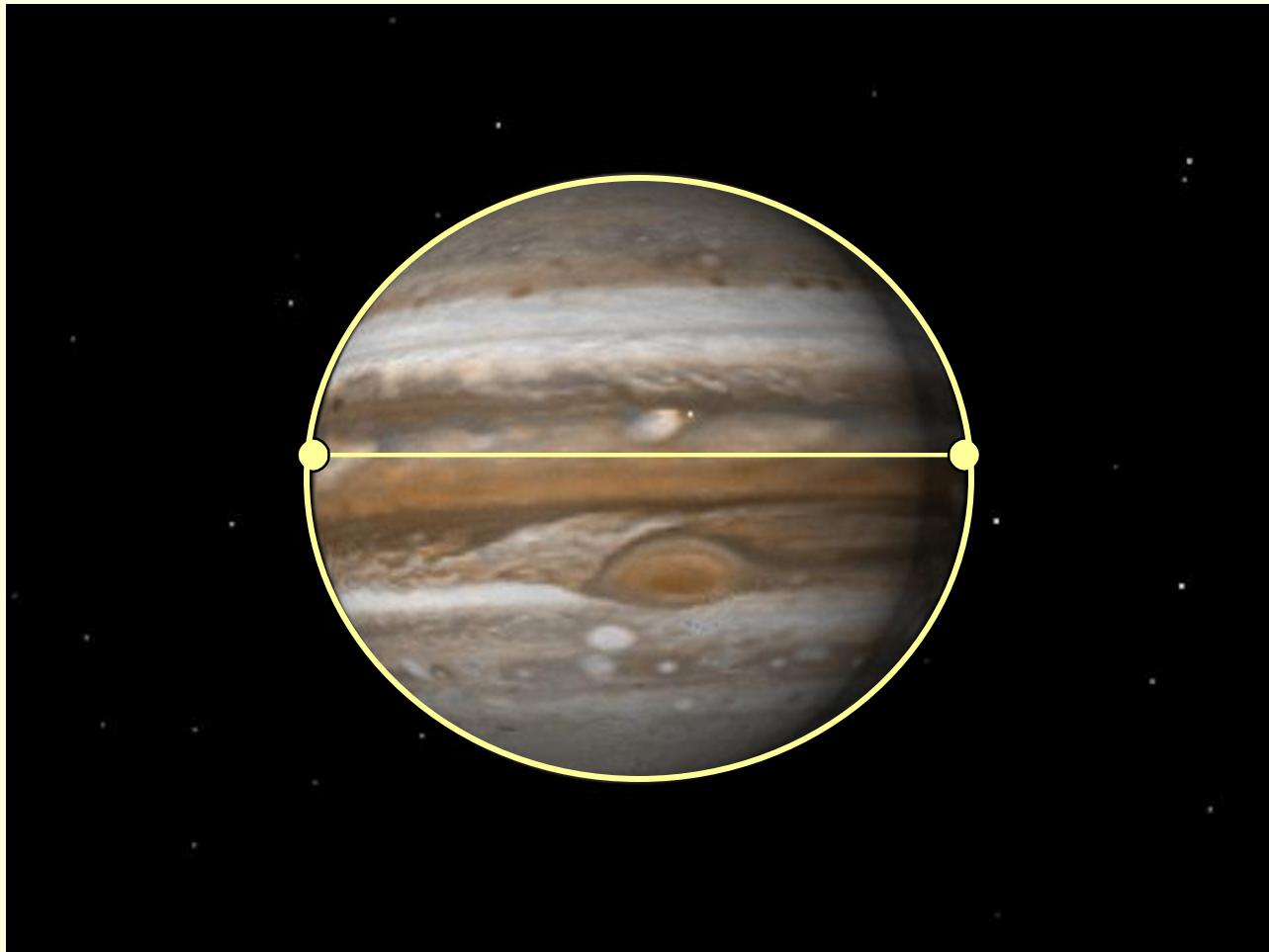
# Review of Typical Notation

And some snags

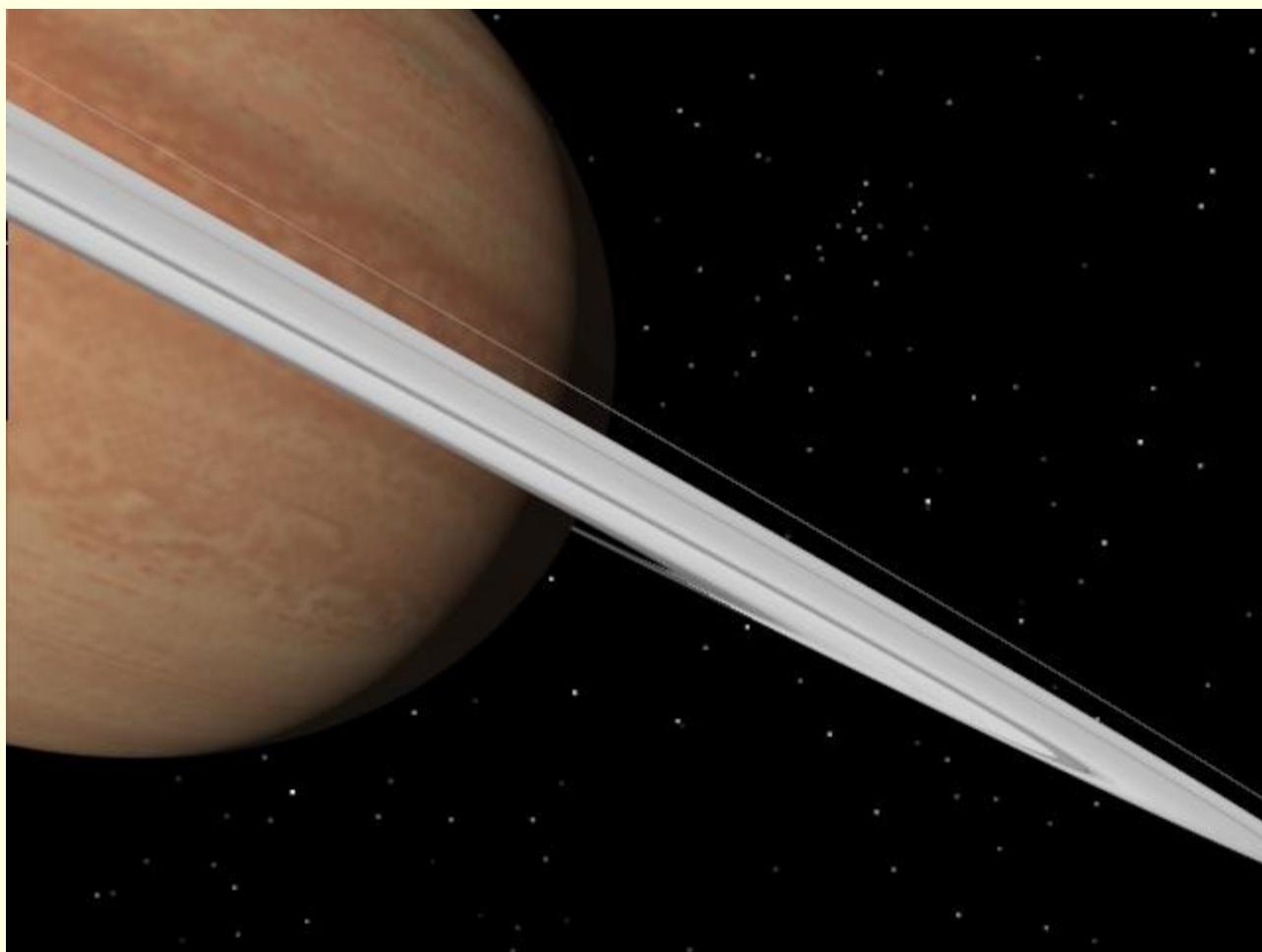
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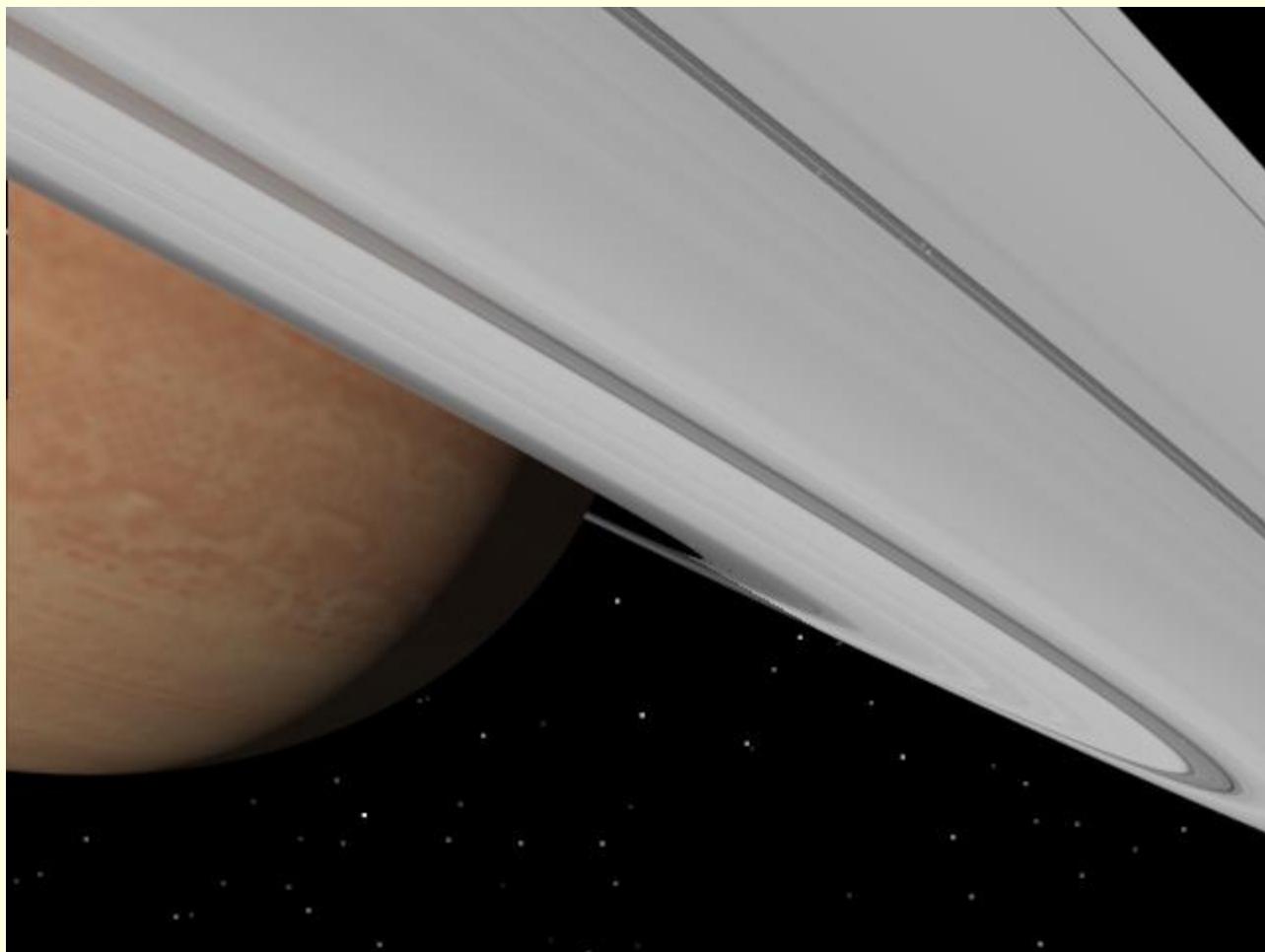
$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} X & Y \end{bmatrix}$$

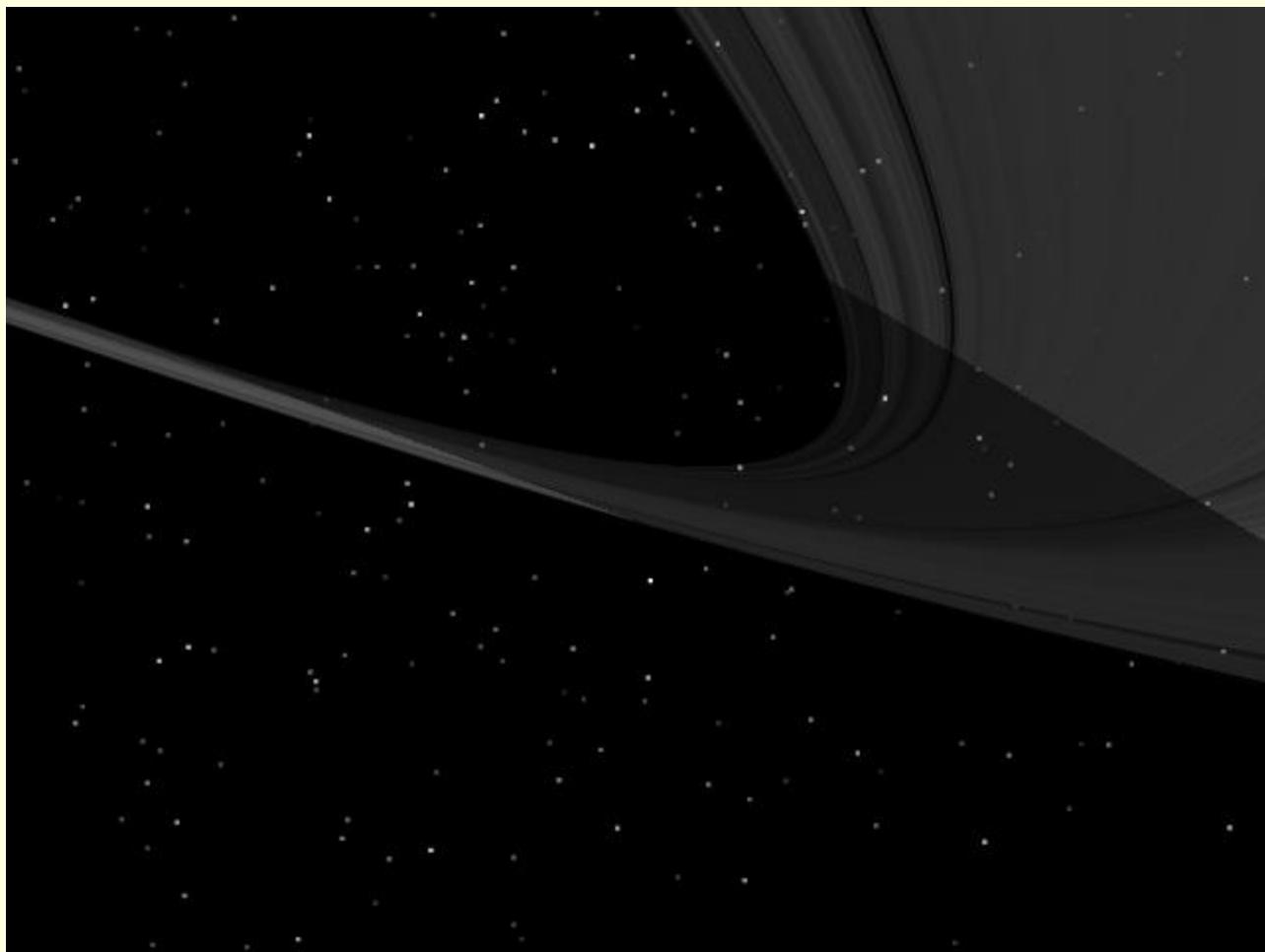






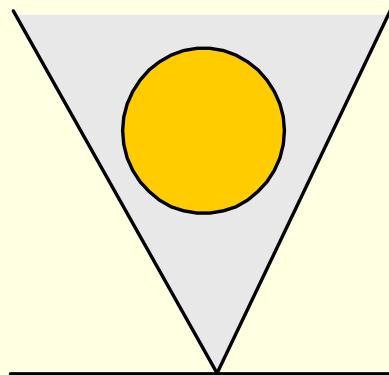




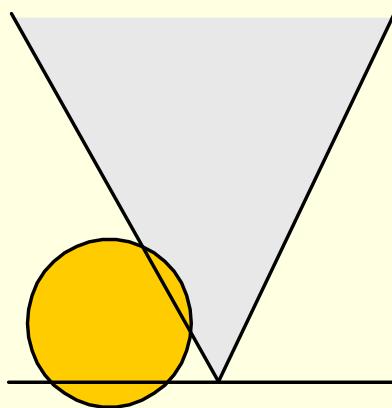
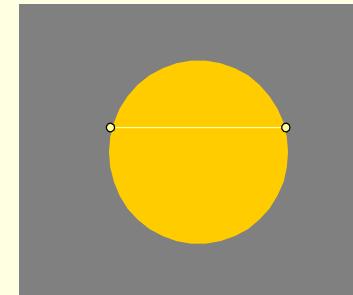


# What Went Wrong?

Top View



Front View (Post Perspective)

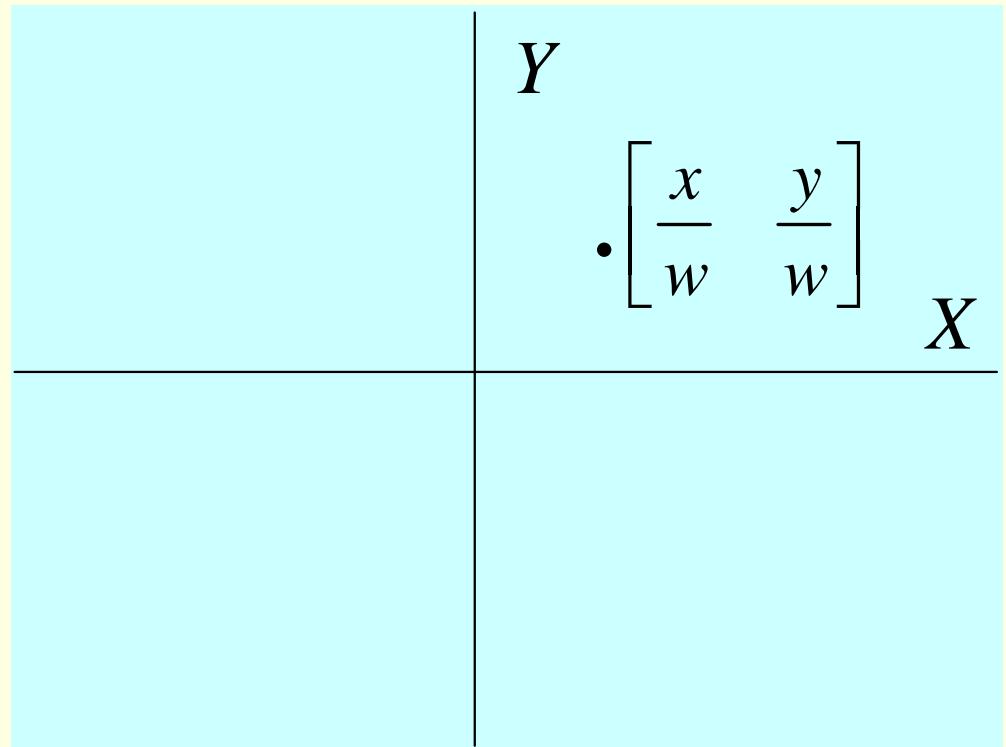


# 2D Projective Geometry

## 3D Algebraic Objects

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} x & y & w \end{bmatrix}$$

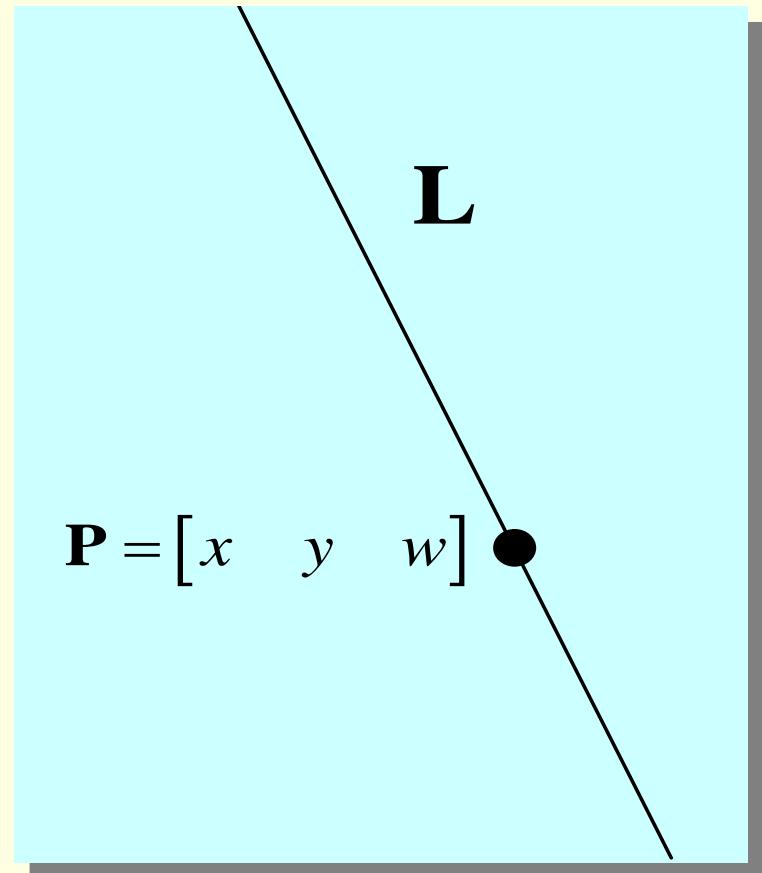
$$\cong \begin{bmatrix} \alpha x & \alpha y & \alpha w \end{bmatrix}$$



# Equation of a Line

$$ax + by + cw = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y & w \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

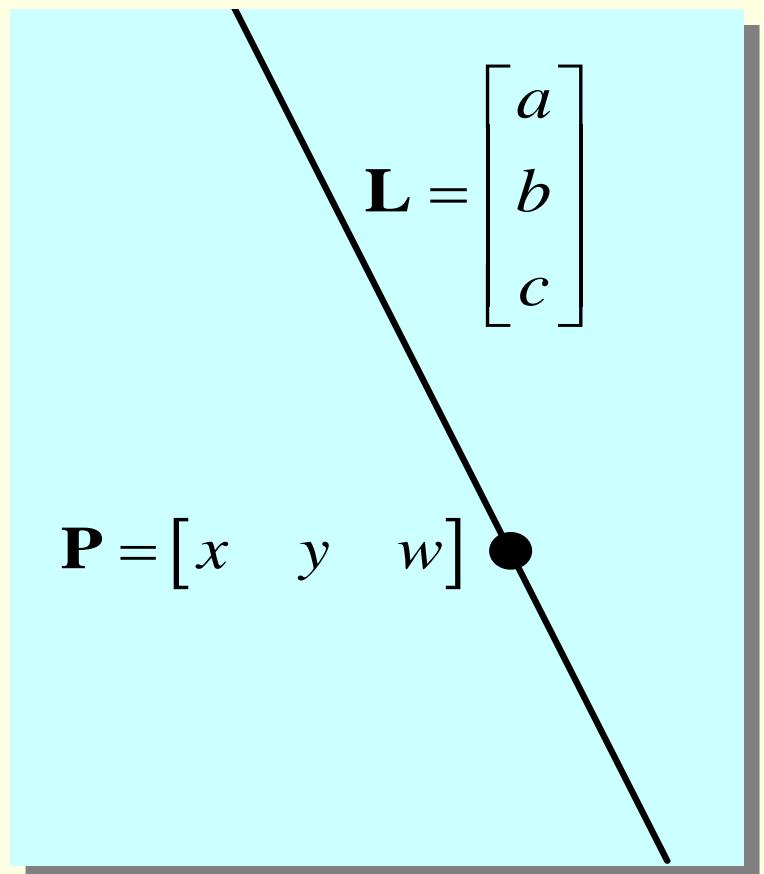


# Equation of a Line

$$ax + by + cw = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y & w \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{L} = 0$$



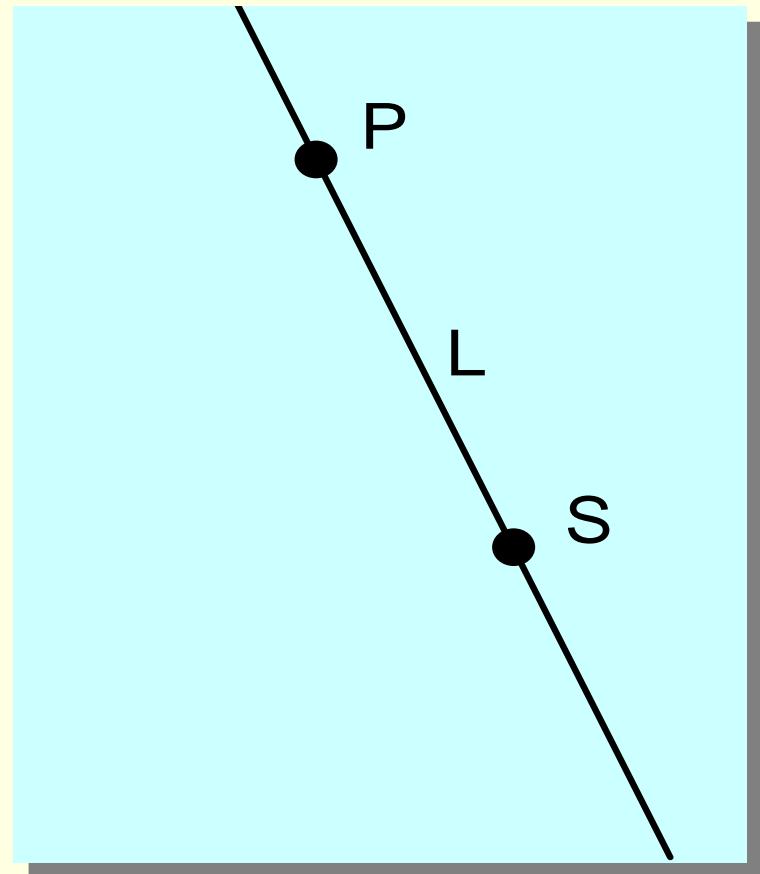
Row/column standardization?

# Two Points Make A Line

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_P & y_P & w_P \\ x_S & y_S & w_S \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_P & y_P & w_P \\ x_S & y_S & w_S \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{P} \times \mathbf{S}$$



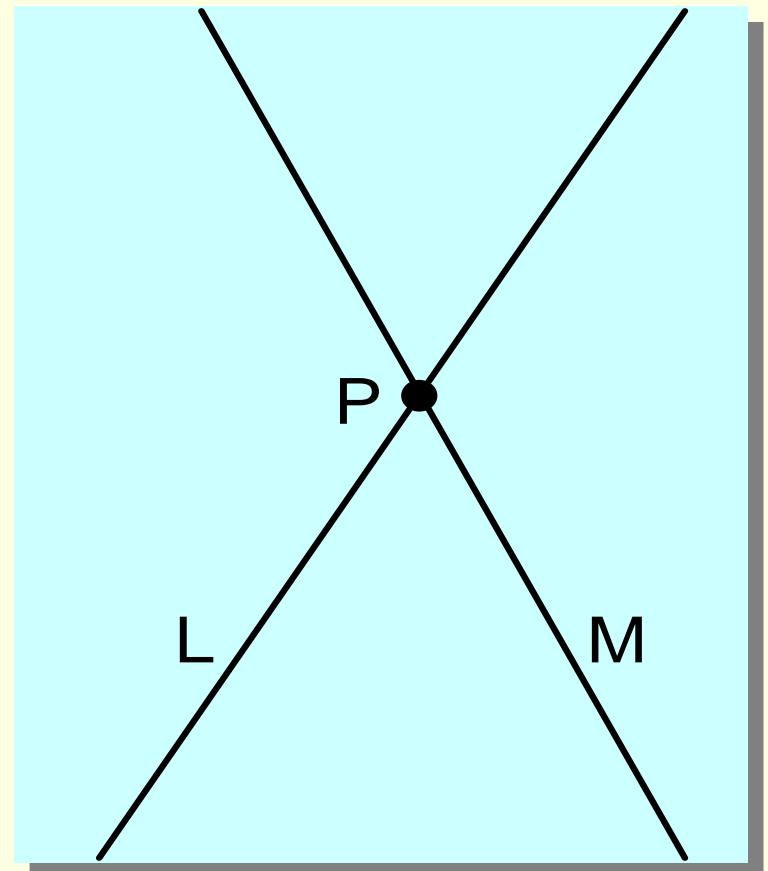
$$a = y_P w_S - w_P y_S, \quad b = w_P x_S - x_P w_S, \quad c = x_P y_S - y_P x_S$$

# Two Lines Make A Point

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y & w \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_L & a_M \\ b_L & b_M \\ c_L & c_M \end{bmatrix} = [0 \ 0]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y & w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_L \\ b_L \\ c_L \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} a_M \\ b_M \\ c_M \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{L} \times \mathbf{M}$$



# Transforming Points

$$\mathbf{P} \mathbf{T} = \hat{\mathbf{P}}$$

$$[x \quad y \quad w] \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} & T_{13} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} & T_{23} \\ T_{31} & T_{32} & T_{33} \end{bmatrix} = [\hat{x} \quad \hat{y} \quad \hat{w}]$$

# Transforming Lines

$$\mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{L} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{T}\mathbf{T}^{-1})\mathbf{L} = 0$$

$$(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{T})(\mathbf{T}^{-1}\mathbf{L}) = 0$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{L}} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{P}\mathbf{T} = \tilde{\mathbf{P}}$$

$$\mathbf{T}^{-1}\mathbf{L} = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}$$

# Matrix Adjugate (fka Adjoint)

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \cdots R_1 \cdots \\ \cdots R_2 \cdots \\ \cdots R_3 \cdots \end{bmatrix} \quad ? \quad \mathbf{T}^* = \begin{bmatrix} \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ R_2 \times R_3 & R_3 \times R_1 & R_1 \times R_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{T}\mathbf{T}^* = \begin{bmatrix} \det \mathbf{T} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \det \mathbf{T} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \det \mathbf{T} \end{bmatrix} = (\det \mathbf{T}) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Transforming Points and Lines

$$\mathbf{P} \mathbf{T} = \tilde{\mathbf{P}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y & w \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} & T_{13} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} & T_{23} \\ T_{31} & T_{32} & T_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{w} \end{bmatrix}$$

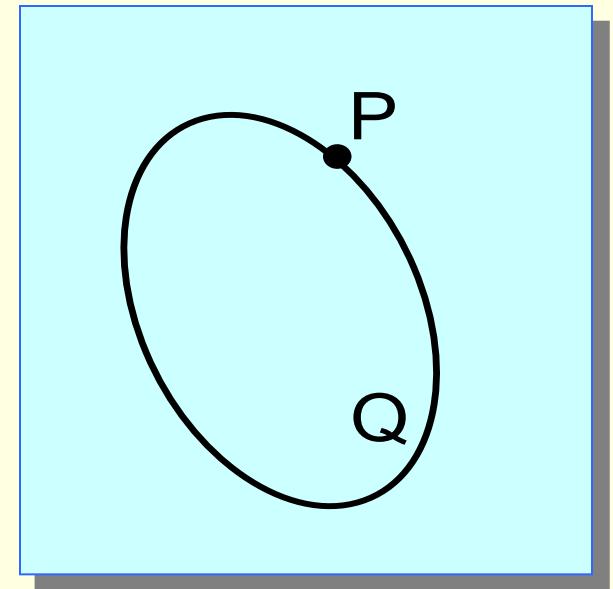
$$\mathbf{T}^* \mathbf{L} = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} T^*_{11} & T^*_{12} & T^*_{13} \\ T^*_{21} & T^*_{22} & T^*_{23} \\ T^*_{31} & T^*_{32} & T^*_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{a} \\ \hat{b} \\ \hat{c} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Point on Quadratic Curve

$$\begin{aligned} & Ax^2 + 2Bxy + 2Cxw \\ & + Dy^2 + 2Eyw \\ & + Fw^2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$[x \ y \ w] \begin{bmatrix} A & B & C \\ B & D & E \\ C & E & F \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix} = 0$$



$$\mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{P}^T = 0$$

# Transforming a Quadratic

$$\mathbf{P}\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{P}^T = 0$$

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{T}\mathbf{T}^*)\mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{T}\mathbf{T}^*)^T \mathbf{P}^T = 0$$

$$(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{T})(\mathbf{T}^*\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{T}^{*T})(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{T})^T = 0$$

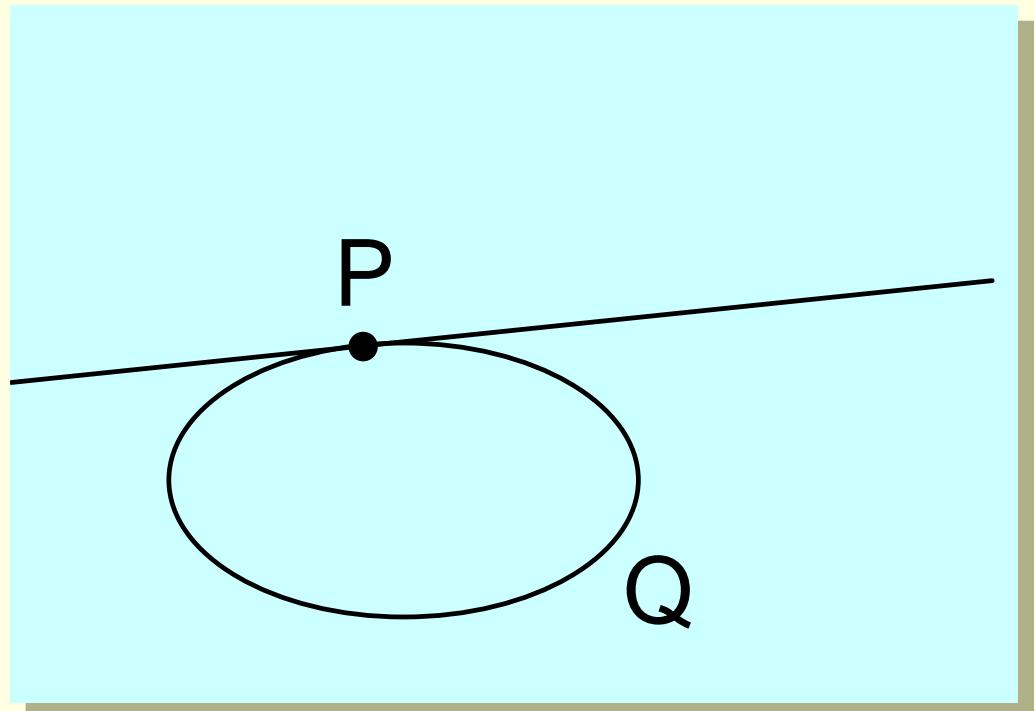
$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}}\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}\tilde{\mathbf{P}}^T = 0$$

$$\mathbf{P}\mathbf{T} = \tilde{\mathbf{P}}$$

$$\mathbf{T}^*\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{T}^{*T} = \tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$$

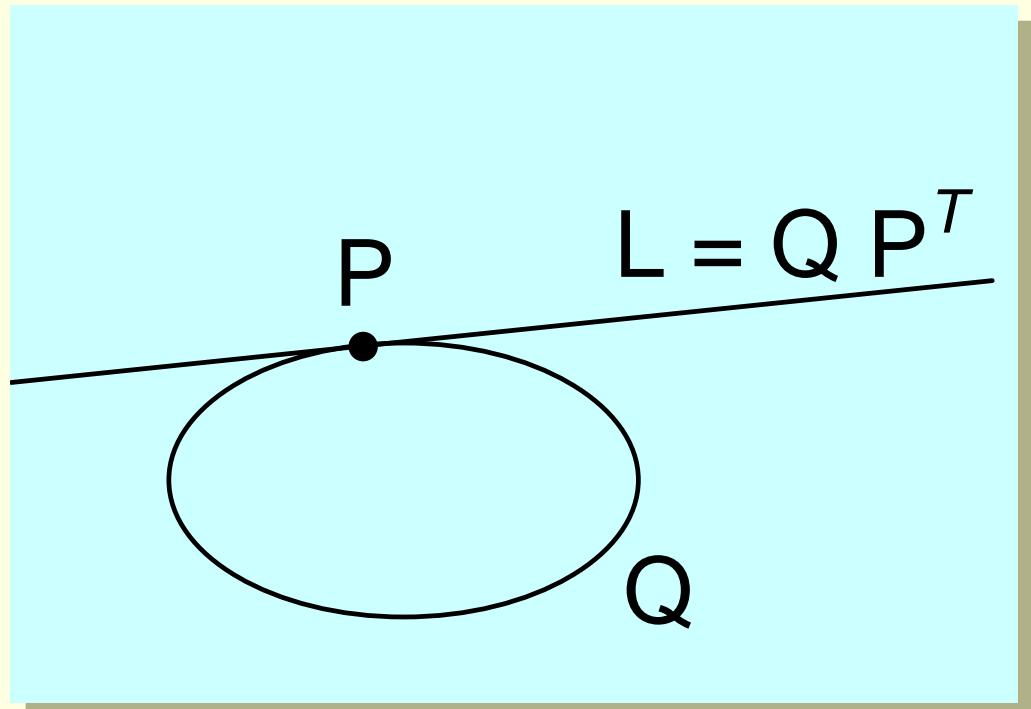
# Given Point, Find Tangent

$$\begin{aligned}0 &= \mathbf{PQP}^T \\&= \mathbf{P} \cdot (\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{P}^T) \\&= \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{L}\end{aligned}$$



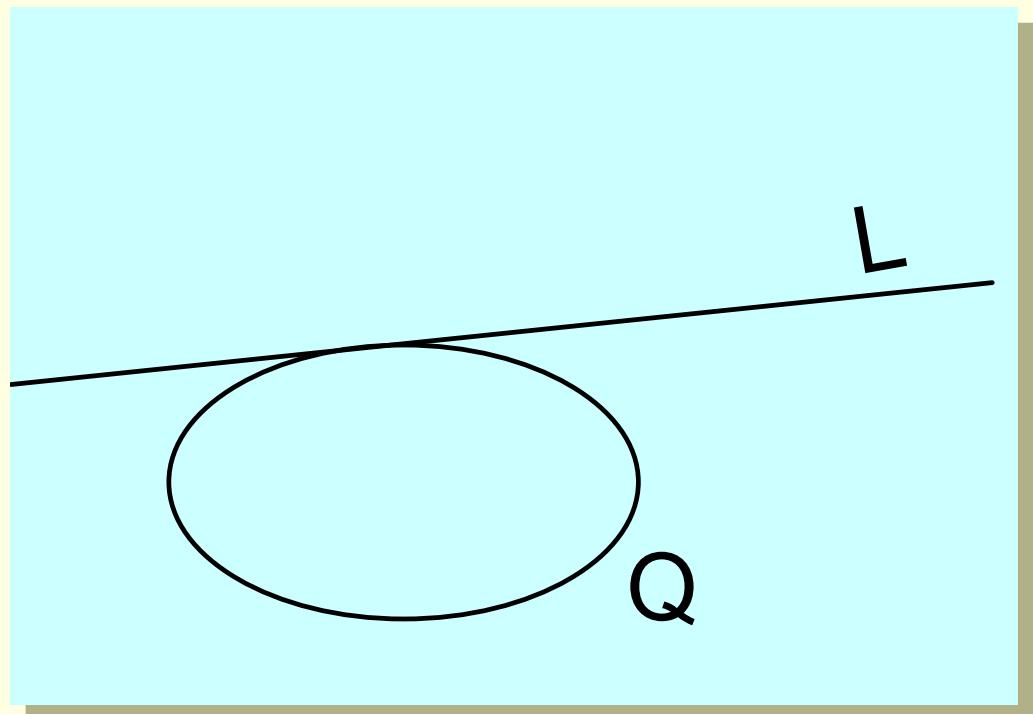
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# Is a Line Tangent to Q

$$0 = \mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{Q}^* \mathbf{L}$$

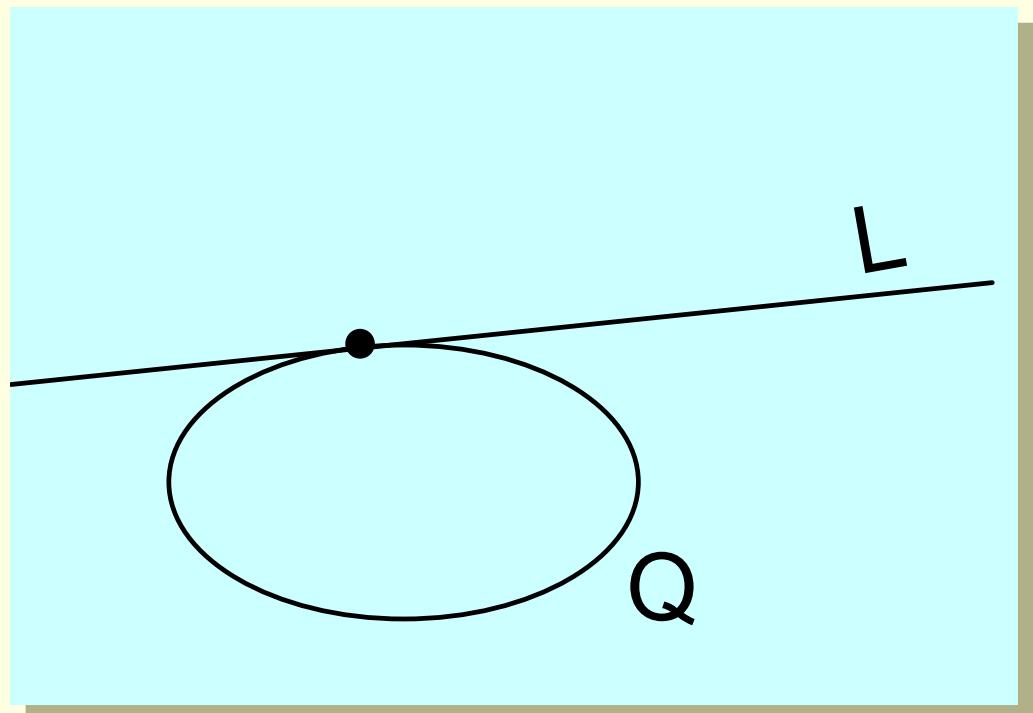


# Given Tangent, Find Point

$$0 = \mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{Q}^* \mathbf{L}$$

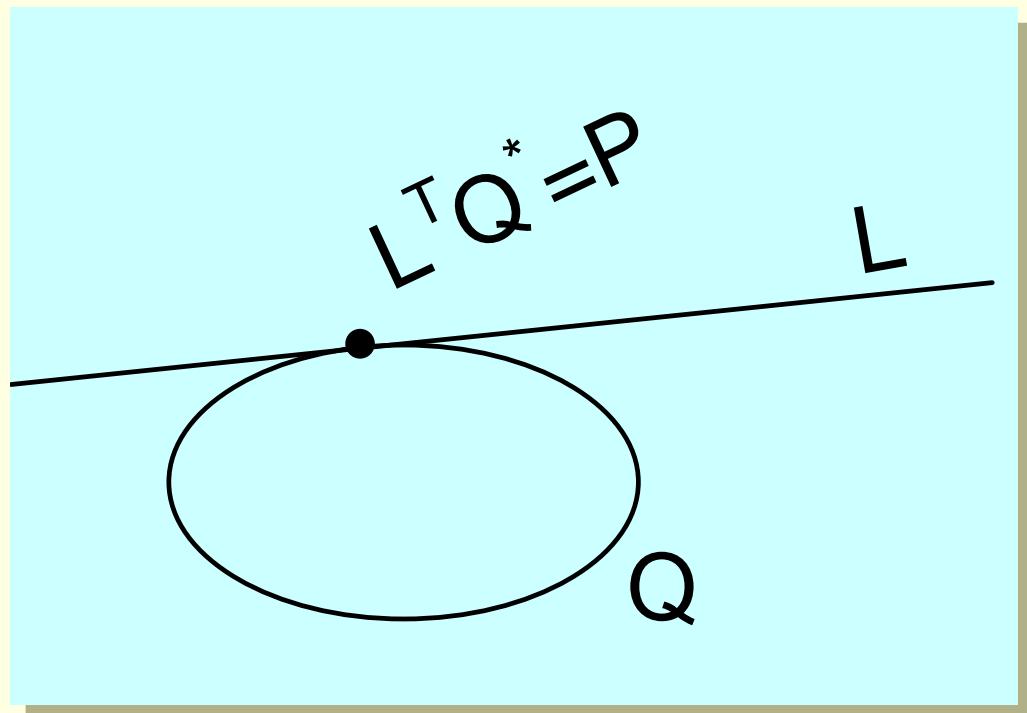
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# Three Kinds of Matrix

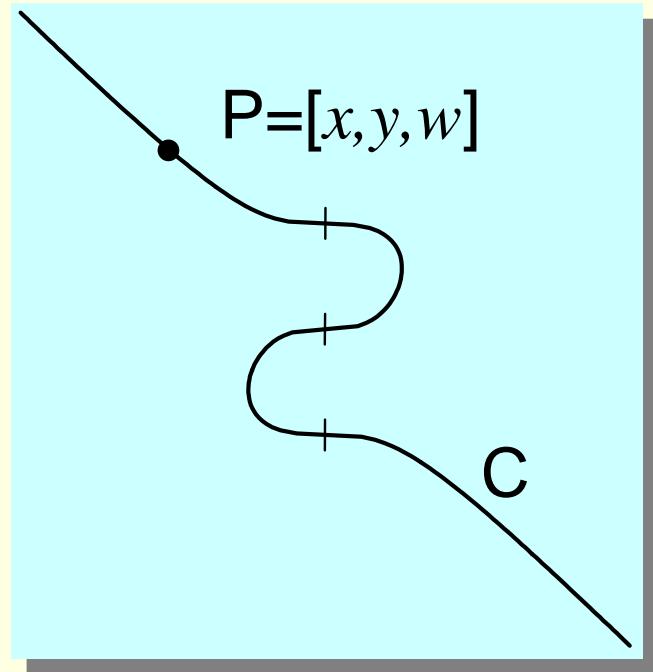
$$[\text{point}] \cdot \mathbf{T} = [\text{point}]$$

$$[\text{point}] \cdot \mathbf{Q} = [\text{line}]^T$$

$$[\text{line}]^T \cdot \mathbf{Q}^* = [\text{point}]$$

# Point on Cubic Curve

$$\begin{aligned} & Ax^3 + 3Bx^2y + 3Cxy^2 + Dy^3 \\ & + 3Ex^2w + 6Fxyw + 3Gy^2w \\ & + 3Hxw^2 + 3Jyw^2 \\ & + Kw^3 = 0 \end{aligned}$$



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$$\sum_{i,j,k} P_i P_j P_k C_{i,j,k} = 0$$

# Two Problems With Notation

Row vs. Column Confusion

$$[\text{point}] \cdot \mathbf{Q} = [\text{line}]^T$$

Handing More Than Two Indices

$$\mathbf{C} = \left[ \begin{bmatrix} A & B & E \\ B & C & F \\ E & F & H \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} B & C & F \\ C & D & G \\ F & G & J \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} E & F & H \\ F & G & J \\ H & J & K \end{bmatrix} \right]$$

# The Solution

- Steal Notational Tricks from Physics
  - General Relativity
  - Quantum Mechanics
- Tuned to Algebraic Geometry

# Old Index Types

$$\mathbf{P} = [P_1 \quad P_2 \quad P_3]$$

Row

$$\mathbf{L} = [L_1 \\ L_2 \\ L_3]$$

Column

# New Index Types

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} P^1 & P^2 & P^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

ContraVariant

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{bmatrix} L_1 & L_2 & L_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

CoVariant

# The Multiplication Machine

$$\mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{L} = [P_1 \quad P_2 \quad P_3] \begin{bmatrix} L_1 \\ L_2 \\ L_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

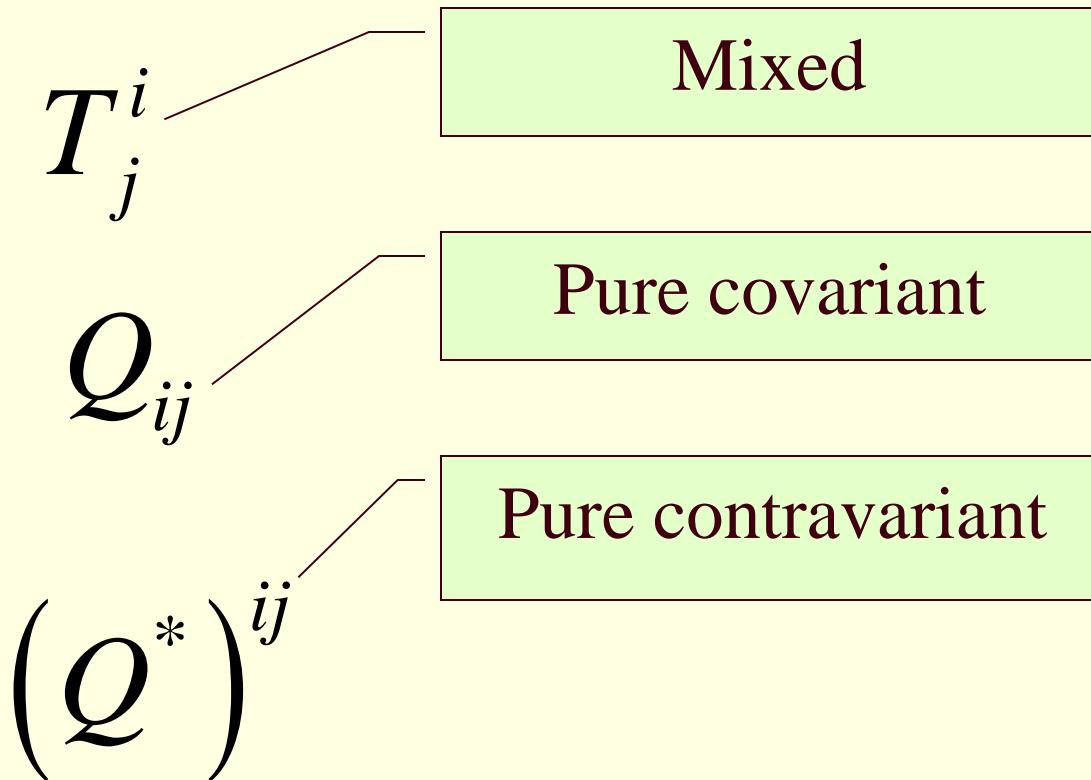
$$= P^1 L_1 + P^2 L_2 + P^3 L_3$$

$$= \sum_i P^i L_i$$

$$= P^\alpha L_\alpha$$

Einstein  
Index  
Notation

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$$P^j T_j^i = \tilde{P}^i$$

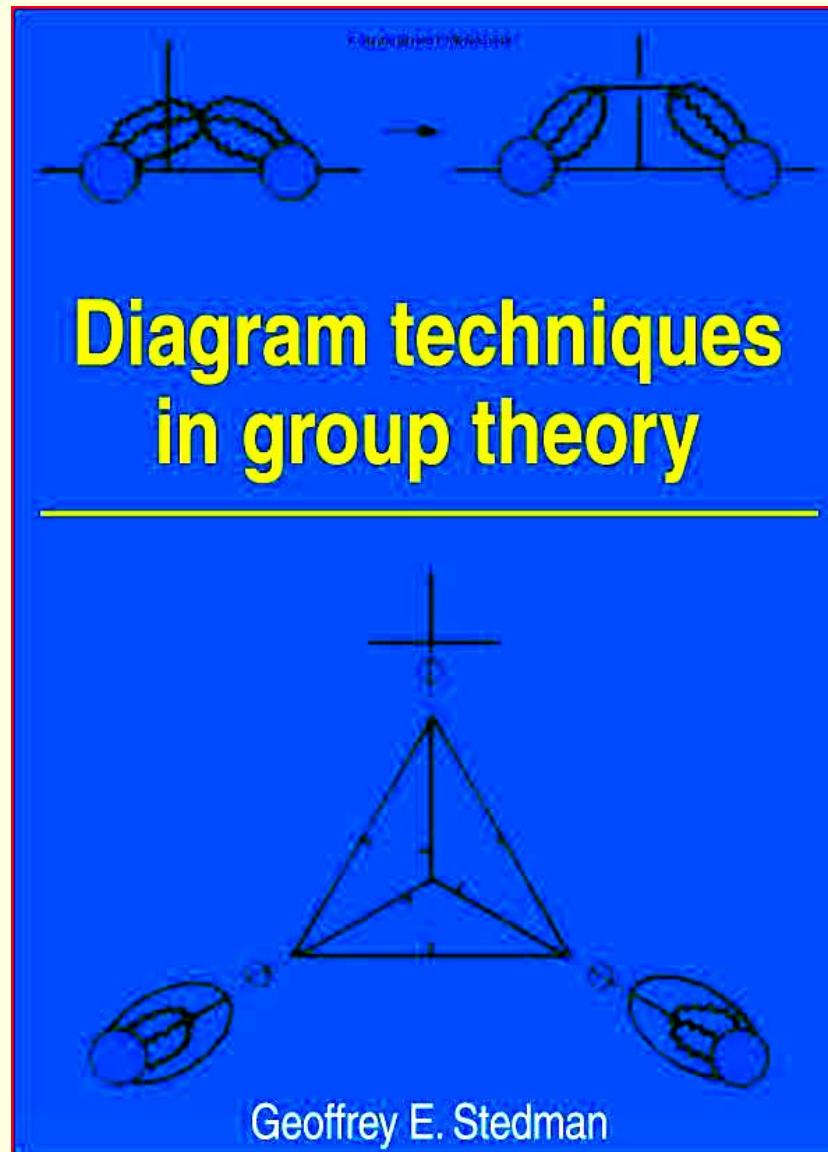
$$P^i Q_{ij} = L_j$$

$$L_i \left( Q^* \right)^{ij} = P^j$$

# General Tensor Contraction

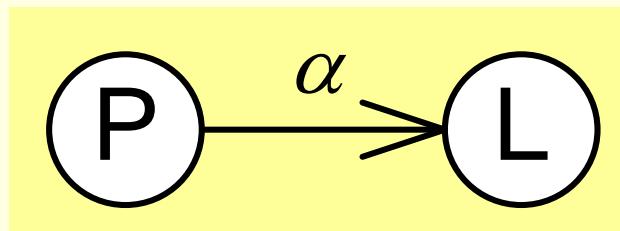
$$F_{ij}^k H_{km}^{lu} R^j S_u = W_{im}^l$$

# Taking More Ideas from Physics



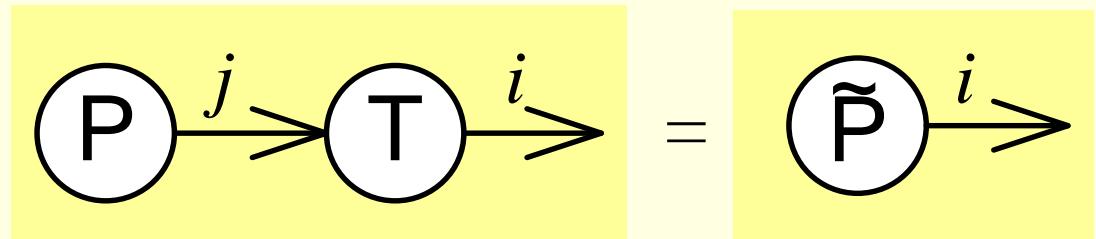
# Writing Tensor Contraction in Diagram Form

$$P^\alpha L_\alpha$$

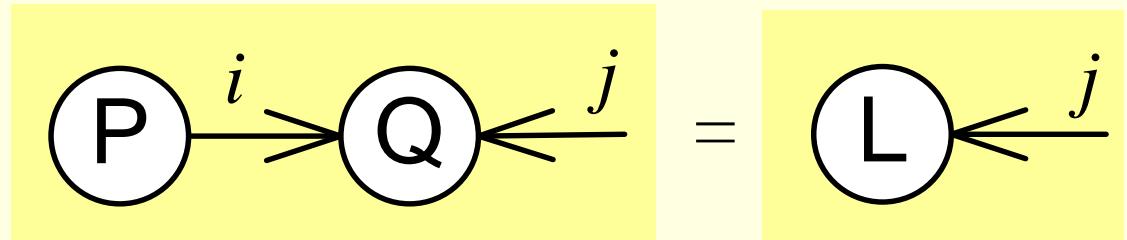


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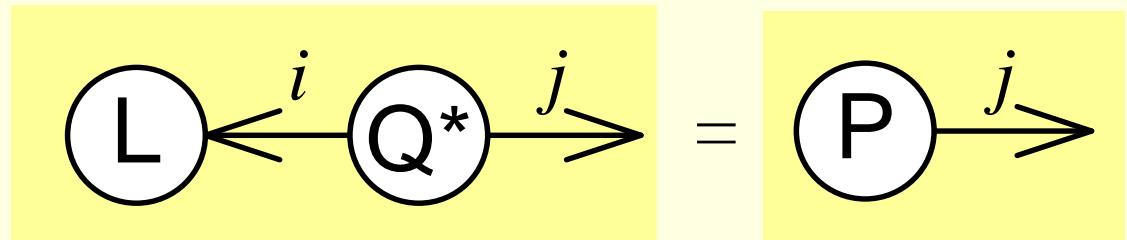
$$P^j T_j^i = \hat{P}^i$$



$$P^i Q_{ij} = L_j$$

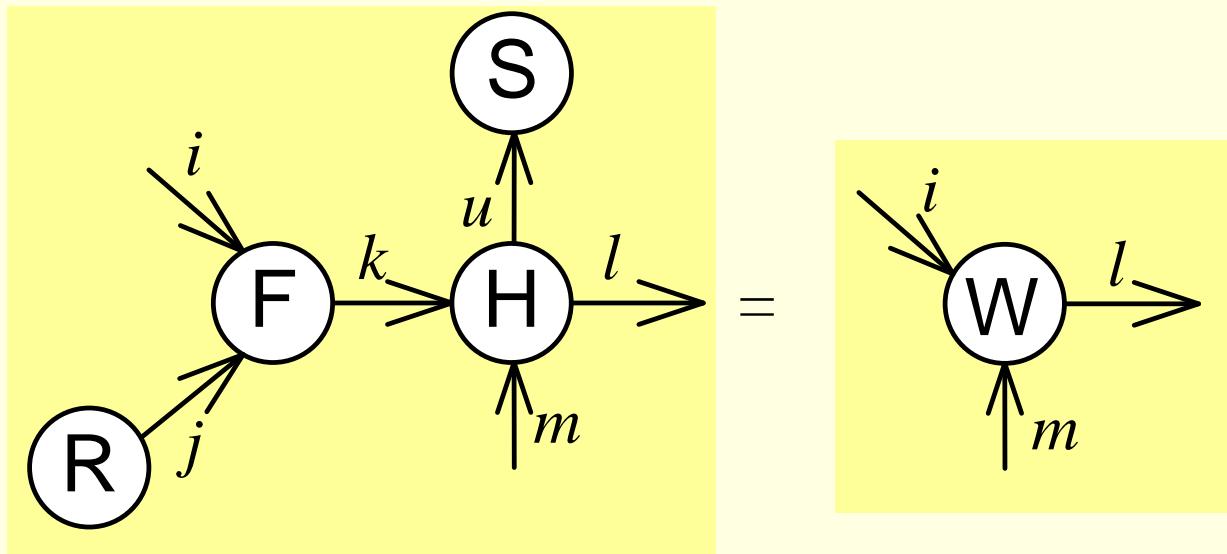


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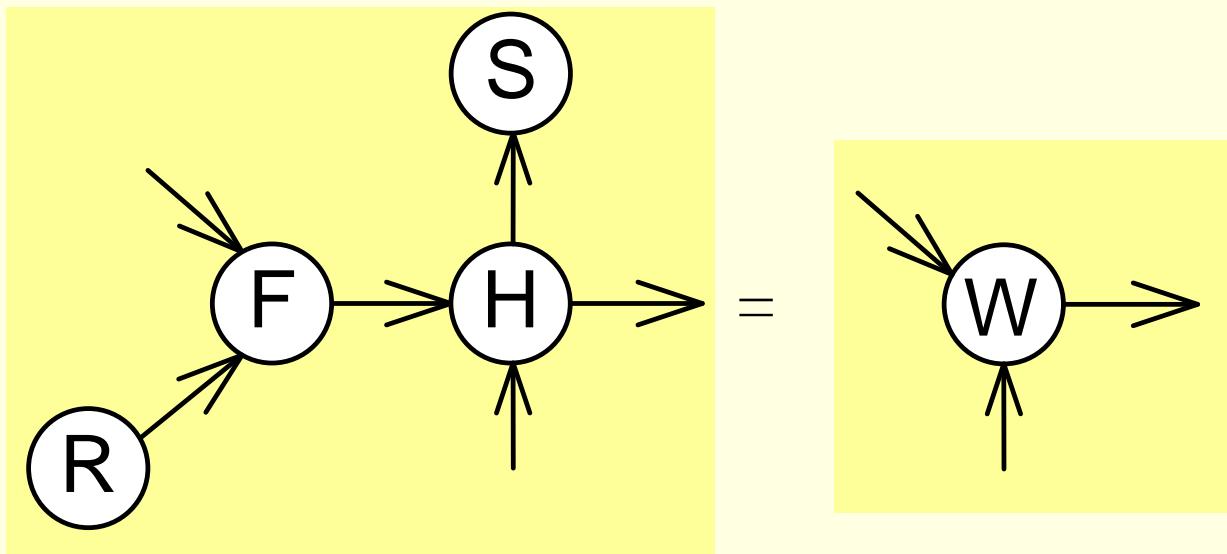
# General Tensor Contraction

$$F_{ij}^k H_{km}^{lu} R^j S_u = W_{im}^l$$



# Don't need index labels

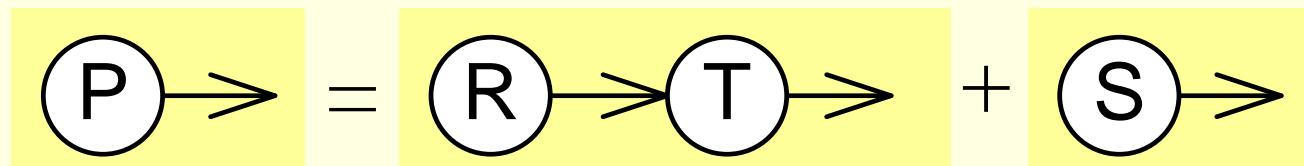
Just be careful about matching dangling arcs



# Sum of Terms

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{RT} + \mathbf{S}$$

$$P^i = R^j T_j^i + S^i$$



Consistent type evident

# Scalar Product

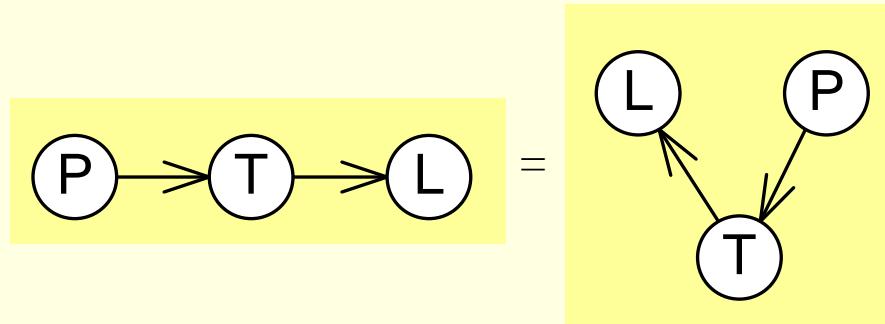
$$\mathbf{P} = \alpha \mathbf{R} + \beta \mathbf{S}$$

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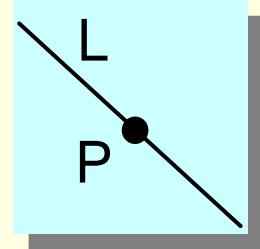
# Only Connectivity Matters

Rearranging internal arcs/nodes doesn't change value



# Now Back To Geometry

# Point on a Line



$$ax + by + cw = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y & w \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

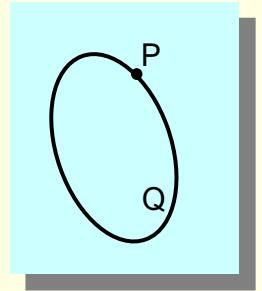
$$\mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{L} = 0$$

$$P^i L_i = 0$$

A diagram showing two white circles with black outlines. The left circle is labeled 'P' and the right one is labeled 'L'. They are connected by a line segment that ends in an arrowhead pointing towards the 'L' circle. This entire diagram is set against a yellow background.

$$= 0$$

# Point on a Quadratic Curve



$$\begin{aligned} & Ax^2 + 2Bxy + 2Cxw \\ & + Dy^2 + 2Eyw \\ & + Fw^2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y & w \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A & B & C \\ B & D & E \\ C & E & F \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ w \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

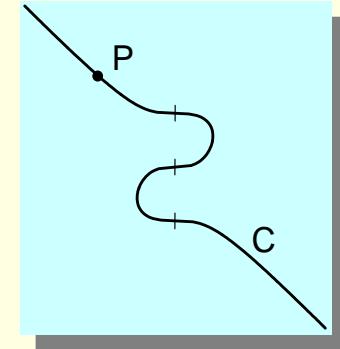
$$\mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{P}^T = 0$$

$$P^i Q_{ij} P^j = 0$$

$$\textcircled{P} \rightarrow \textcircled{Q} \leftarrow \textcircled{P} = 0$$

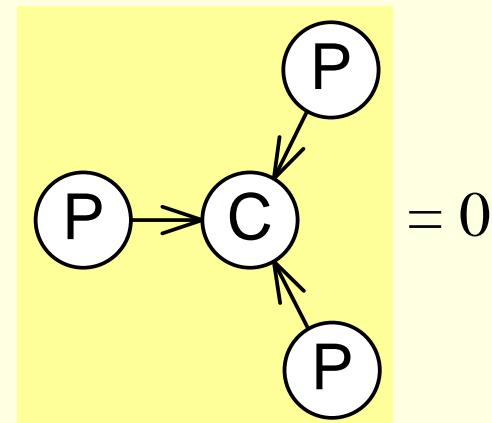
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 & + Kw^3 = 0
 \end{aligned}$$



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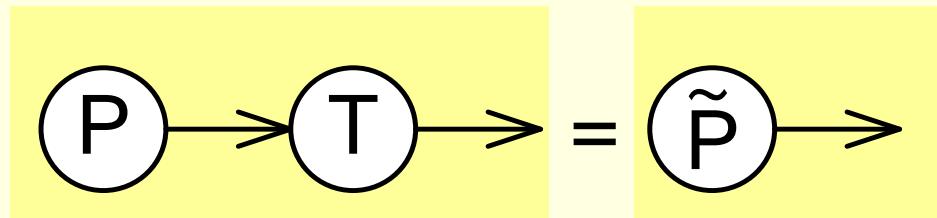
$$P^i P^j P^k C_{ijk} = 0$$



# Transforming a Point

$$\mathbf{P} \mathbf{T} = \tilde{\mathbf{P}}$$

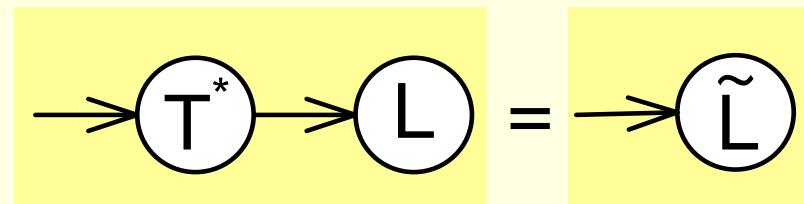
$$P^i T_i^j = \tilde{P}^j$$



# Transforming a Line

$$(T^*) \mathbf{L} = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}$$

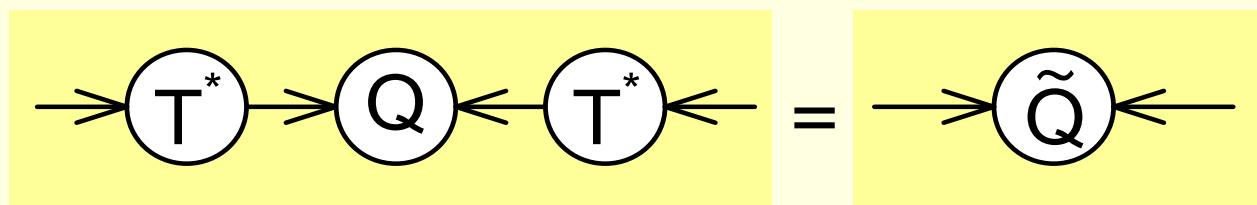
$$\left(T^*\right)_j^i L_i = \tilde{L}_j$$



# Transforming A Quadratic Curve

$$(\mathbf{T}^*)\mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{T}^*)^T = \tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$$

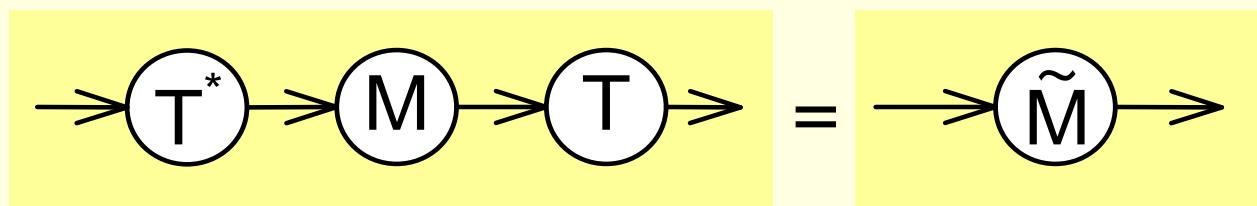
$$\left(T^*\right)_k^i Q_{ij} \left(T^*\right)_l^j = \tilde{Q}_{kl}$$



# Transforming A Transformation

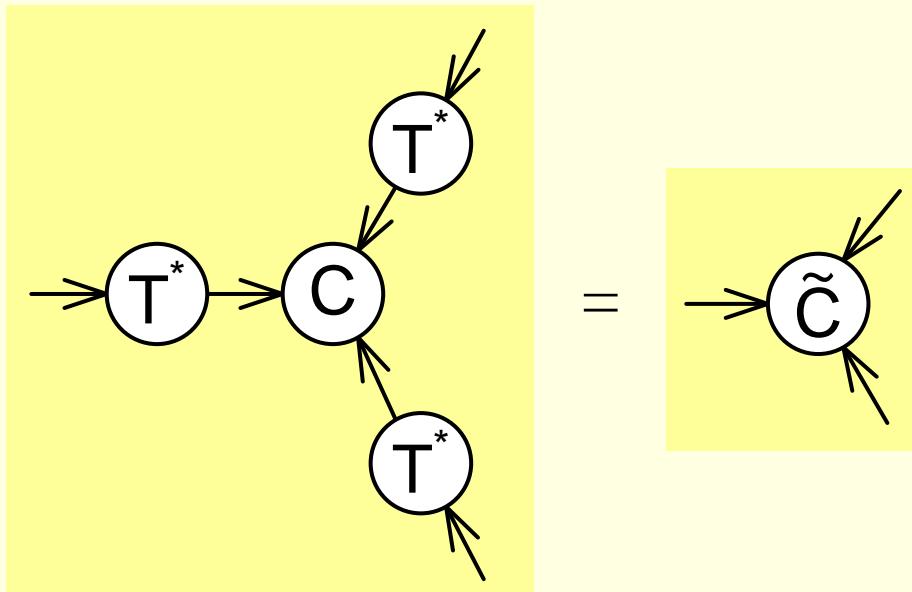
$$\mathbf{T}^* \mathbf{M} \mathbf{T} = \tilde{\mathbf{M}}$$

$$\left(T^*\right)_k^i M_i^j \left(T\right)_j^l = \tilde{M}_k^l$$

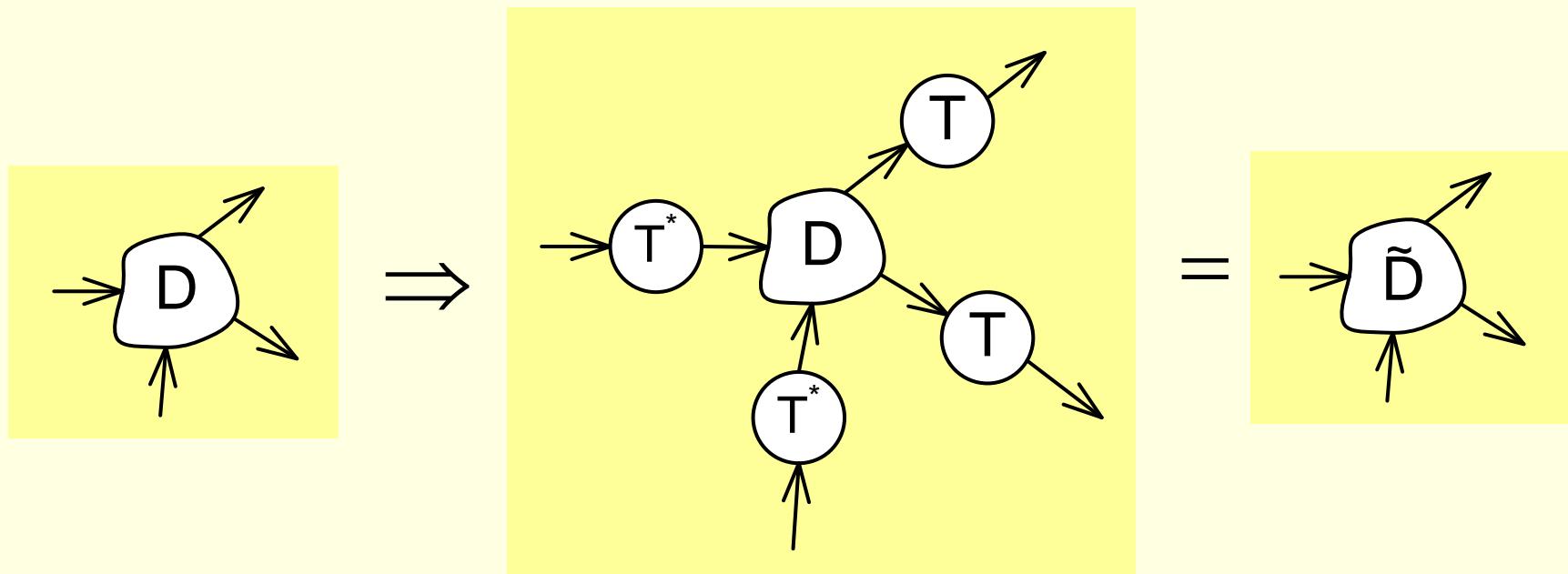


# Transforming a Cubic Curve

$$\left(T^*\right)_l^i \left(T^*\right)_m^j \left(T^*\right)_n^k C_{ijk} = \tilde{C}_{lmn}$$

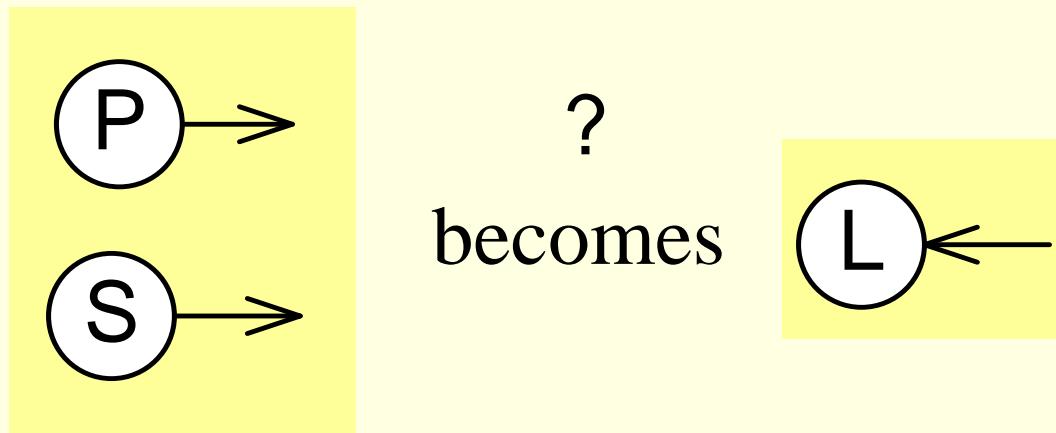


# General Transformation Rule



# Dot and Cross Product

$$\begin{array}{c} P \longrightarrow L \\ \end{array} = s$$



# Levi-Civita Epsilon

$$\epsilon_{123} = \epsilon_{231} = \epsilon_{312} = +1$$

$$\epsilon_{321} = \epsilon_{132} = \epsilon_{213} = -1$$

$$\epsilon_{ijk} = 0 \quad \text{otherwise}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\epsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Cross Product

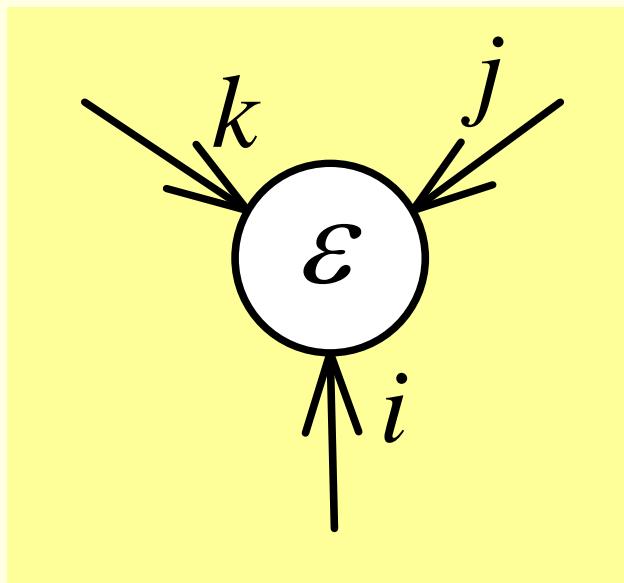
$$\begin{bmatrix} x_P & y_P & w_P \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_S \\ y_S \\ w_S \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_P w_S - w_P y_S & w_P x_S - x_P w_S & y_P x_S - x_P y_S \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P^i S^j \epsilon_{ijk} = L_k$$

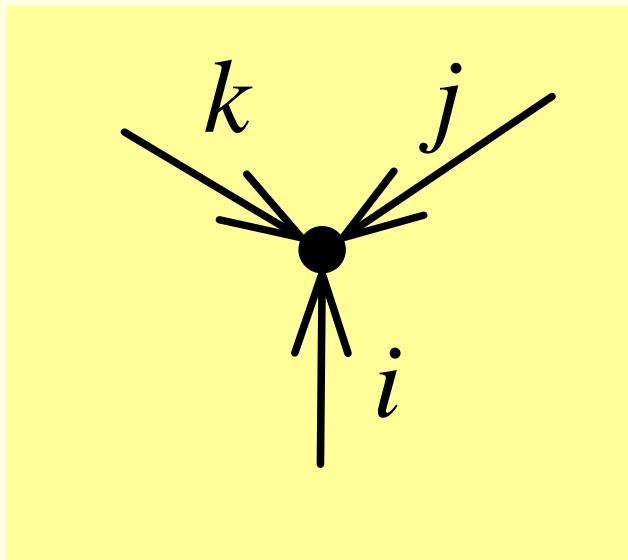
# Levi-Civita Epsilon Diagram

$$\epsilon_{ijk}$$



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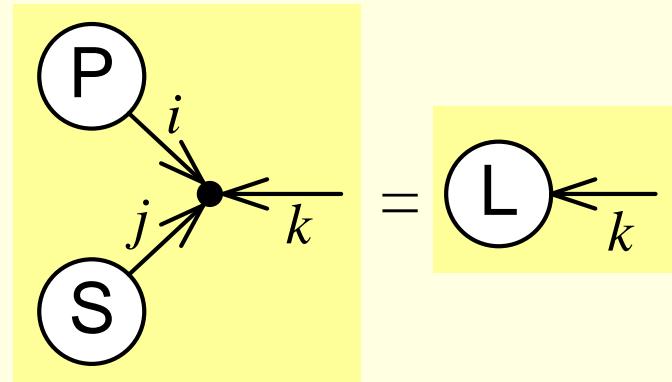
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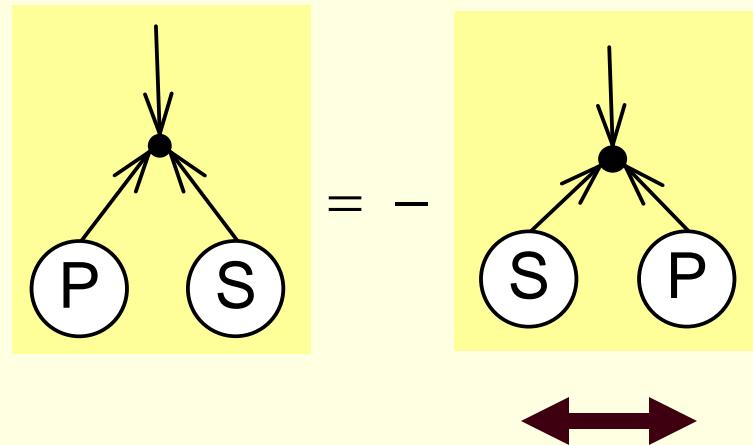
$$\begin{bmatrix} P^1 & P^2 & P^3 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} S^1 & S^2 & S^3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} L_1 \\ L_2 \\ L_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{P} \times \mathbf{S} = \mathbf{L}$$

$$P^i S^j \epsilon_{ijk} = L_k$$



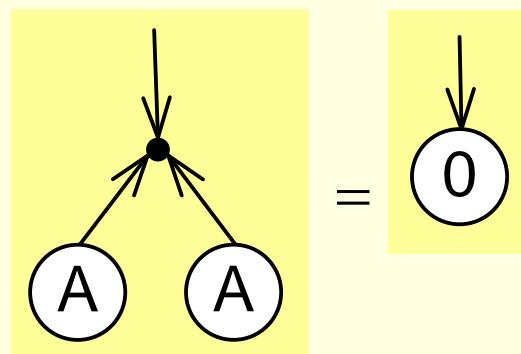
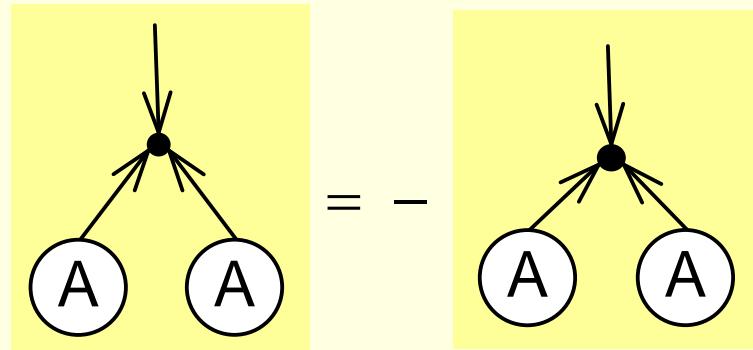
# Anti-Symmetry and Epsilon

$$\mathbf{P} \times \mathbf{S} = -(\mathbf{S} \times \mathbf{P})$$



Mirror Reflections flip sign

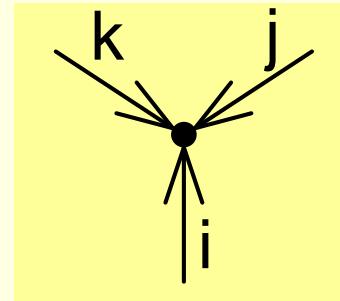
$$A \times A = 0$$



# Two Types of Epsilon

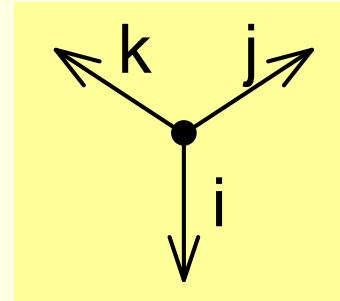
COvariant

$$\epsilon_{ijk}$$



CONTRAvariant

$$\epsilon^{ijk}$$

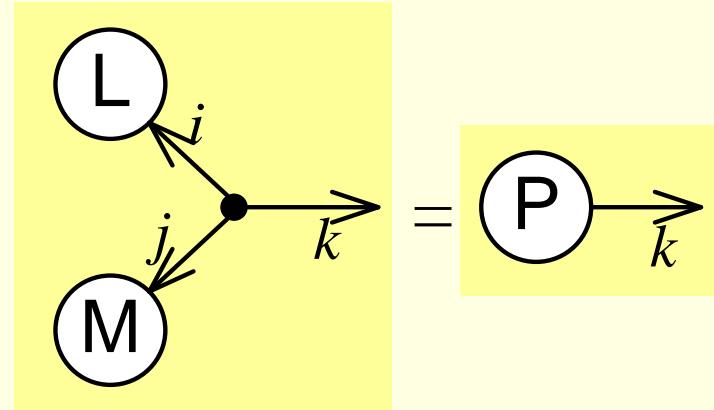


# The Other Cross Product

$$\begin{bmatrix} L_1 \\ L_2 \\ L_3 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} M_1 \\ M_2 \\ M_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P^1 & P^2 & P^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

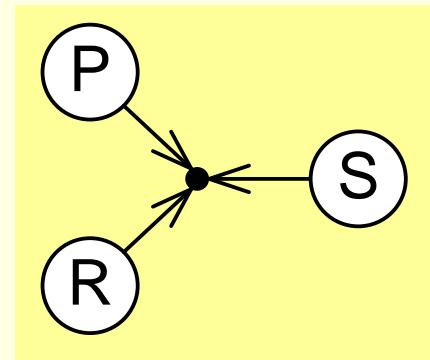
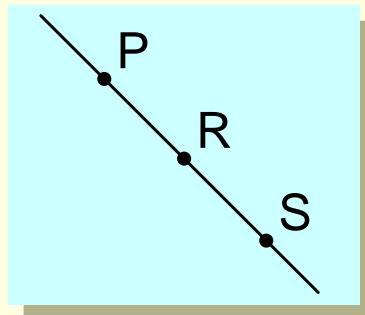
$$\mathbf{L} \times \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{P}$$

$$L_i M_j \epsilon^{ijk} = P^k$$



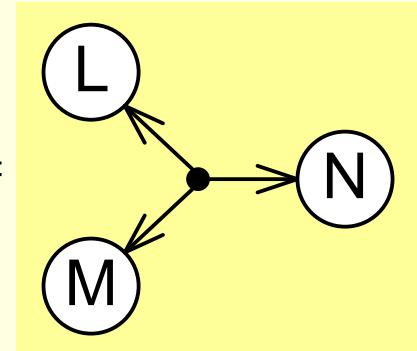
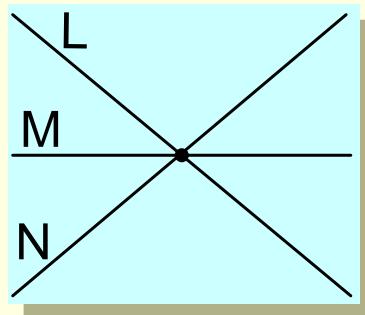
# Triple Product

$$\mathbf{P} \times \mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{S} = \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{S} \times \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{R} =$$



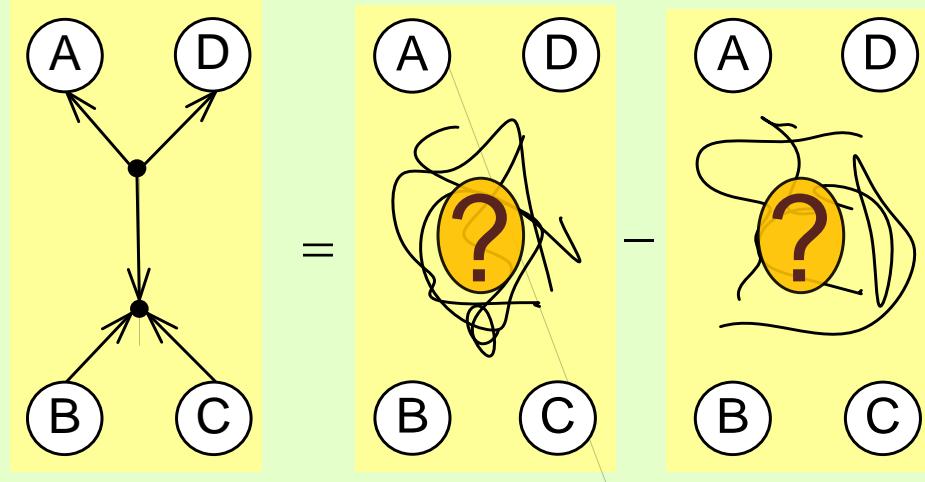
$$= [\mathbf{PRS}]$$

$$\mathbf{L} \times \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{N} = \mathbf{M} \times \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{L} = \mathbf{N} \times \mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{M} =$$

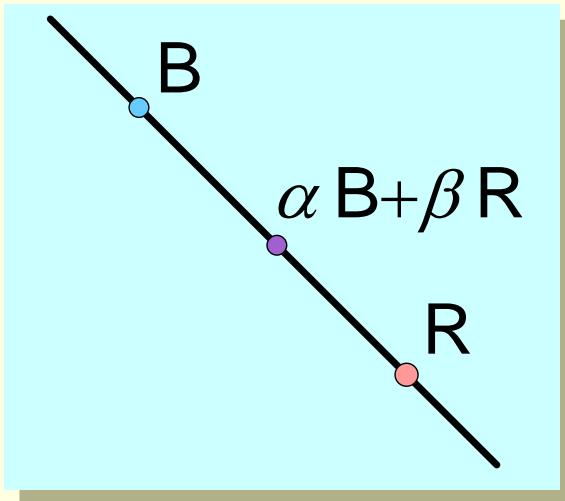


$$= [\mathbf{LMN}]$$

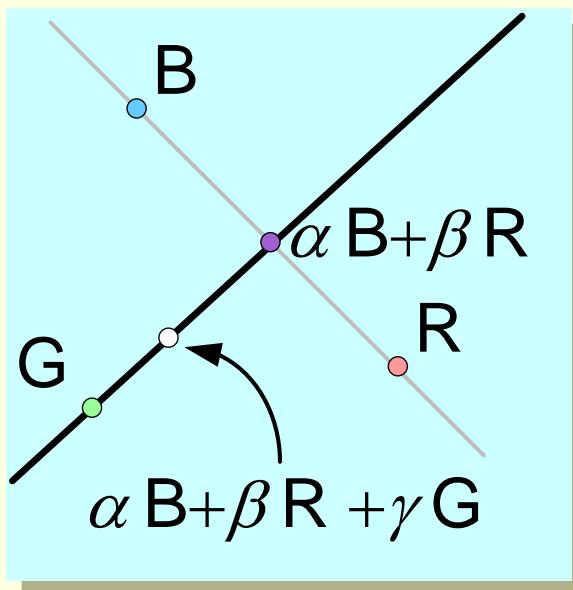
# Generating Algebraic Relations Between Diagrams



# Linear Combinations of Points



$$\textcolor{purple}{\bullet} \rightarrow = \alpha \textcolor{blue}{\bullet} \rightarrow + \beta \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \rightarrow$$



$$\textcolor{white}{\bullet} \rightarrow = \alpha \textcolor{blue}{\bullet} \rightarrow + \beta \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \rightarrow + \gamma \textcolor{green}{\bullet} \rightarrow$$

# Linear Combinations of Points

$$\text{Yellow Point} \Rightarrow = \alpha \text{ Blue Point} \Rightarrow + \beta \text{ Red Point} \Rightarrow + \gamma \text{ Green Point} \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dots \mathbf{W} \dots \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \beta & \gamma \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dots \mathbf{B} \dots \\ \dots \mathbf{R} \dots \\ \dots \mathbf{G} \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

Cramer's Rule

$$\alpha = \frac{\det \begin{bmatrix} \dots \mathbf{W} \dots \\ \dots \mathbf{R} \dots \\ \dots \mathbf{G} \dots \end{bmatrix}}{\det \begin{bmatrix} \dots \mathbf{B} \dots \\ \dots \mathbf{R} \dots \\ \dots \mathbf{G} \dots \end{bmatrix}},$$

$$\beta = \frac{\det \begin{bmatrix} \dots \mathbf{B} \dots \\ \dots \mathbf{W} \dots \\ \dots \mathbf{G} \dots \end{bmatrix}}{\det \begin{bmatrix} \dots \mathbf{B} \dots \\ \dots \mathbf{R} \dots \\ \dots \mathbf{G} \dots \end{bmatrix}},$$

$$\gamma = \frac{\det \begin{bmatrix} \dots \mathbf{B} \dots \\ \dots \mathbf{R} \dots \\ \dots \mathbf{W} \dots \end{bmatrix}}{\det \begin{bmatrix} \dots \mathbf{B} \dots \\ \dots \mathbf{R} \dots \\ \dots \mathbf{G} \dots \end{bmatrix}},$$

# Basic Linear Relationship

$$\alpha = \frac{\det \begin{bmatrix} \dots & \mathbf{W} & \dots \\ \dots & \mathbf{R} & \dots \\ \dots & \mathbf{G} & \dots \\ \dots & \mathbf{B} & \dots \\ \dots & \mathbf{R} & \dots \\ \dots & \mathbf{G} & \dots \end{bmatrix}}{\det \begin{bmatrix} \dots & \mathbf{B} & \dots \\ \dots & \mathbf{R} & \dots \\ \dots & \mathbf{G} & \dots \end{bmatrix}},$$

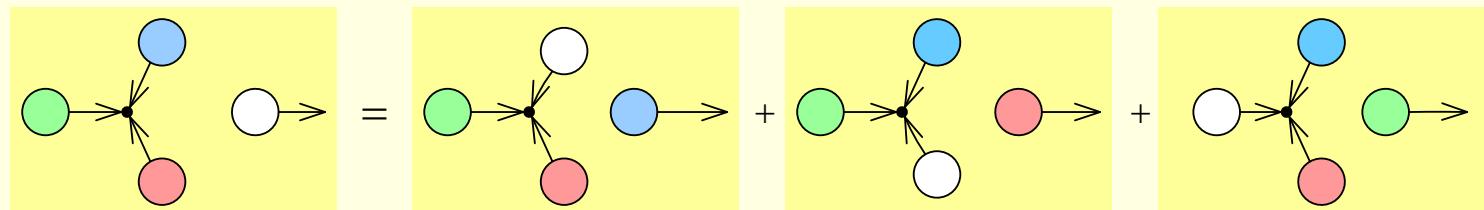
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$$\text{circle} \Rightarrow = \alpha \text{ blue circle} \Rightarrow + \beta \text{ red circle} \Rightarrow + \gamma \text{ green circle} \Rightarrow$$

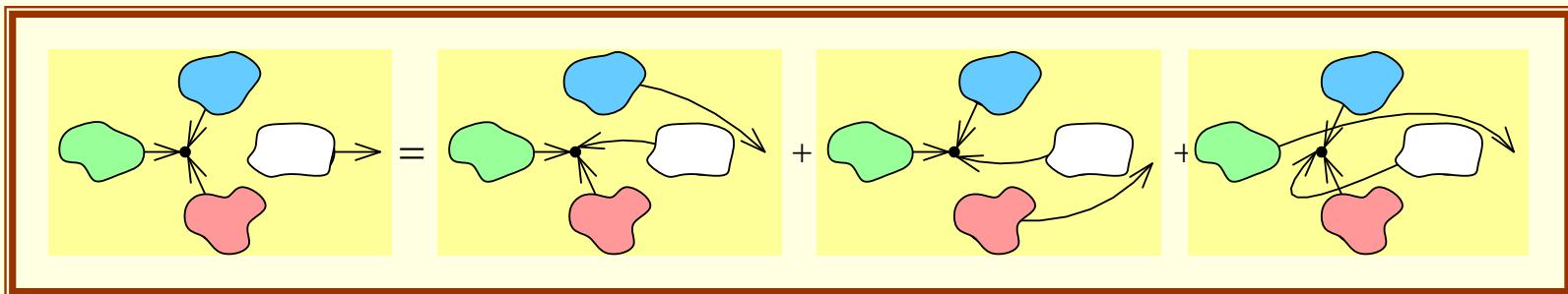
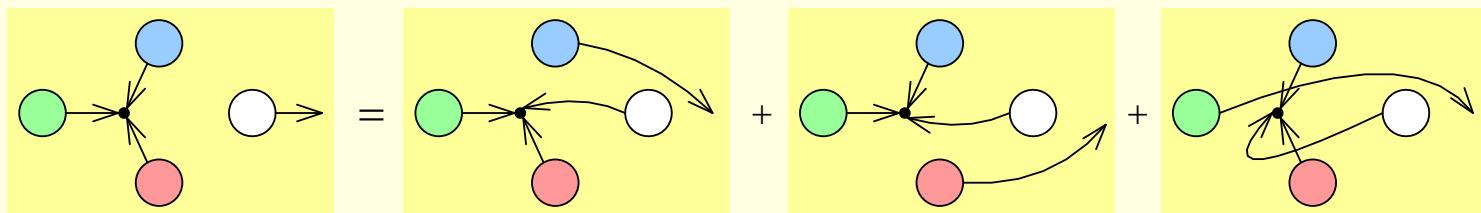
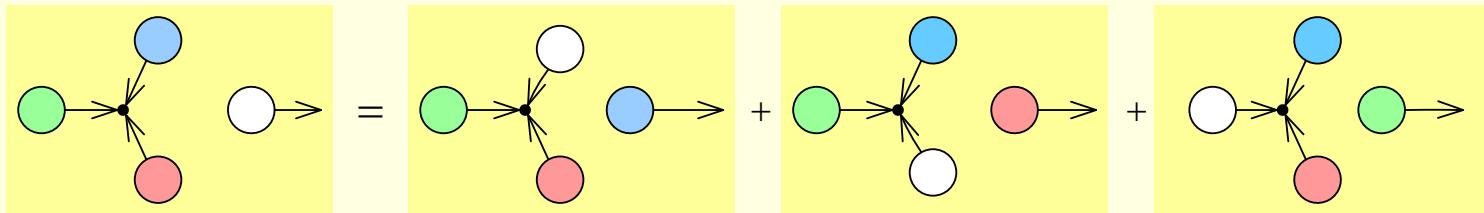
$$\det \begin{bmatrix} \dots & \mathbf{B} & \dots \\ \dots & \mathbf{R} & \dots \\ \dots & \mathbf{G} & \dots \end{bmatrix} \text{ circle} \Rightarrow = \det \begin{bmatrix} \dots & \mathbf{W} & \dots \\ \dots & \mathbf{R} & \dots \\ \dots & \mathbf{G} & \dots \end{bmatrix} \text{ blue circle} \Rightarrow + \det \begin{bmatrix} \dots & \mathbf{B} & \dots \\ \dots & \mathbf{W} & \dots \\ \dots & \mathbf{G} & \dots \end{bmatrix} \text{ red circle} \Rightarrow + \det \begin{bmatrix} \dots & \mathbf{B} & \dots \\ \dots & \mathbf{R} & \dots \\ \dots & \mathbf{W} & \dots \end{bmatrix} \text{ green circle} \Rightarrow$$

Grassman-Plucker relation



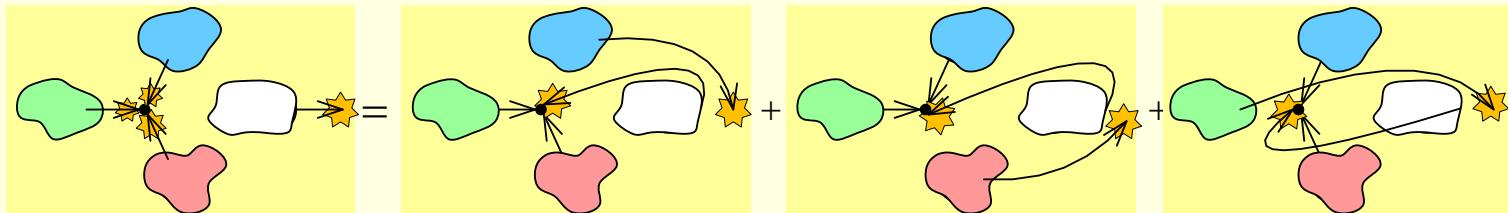
Note Symmetry

# Arc Swapping Identity

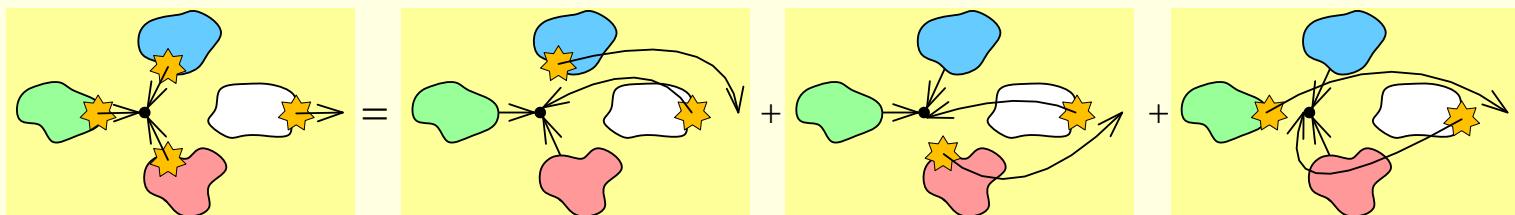


# Arc Swapping Identity - Variations

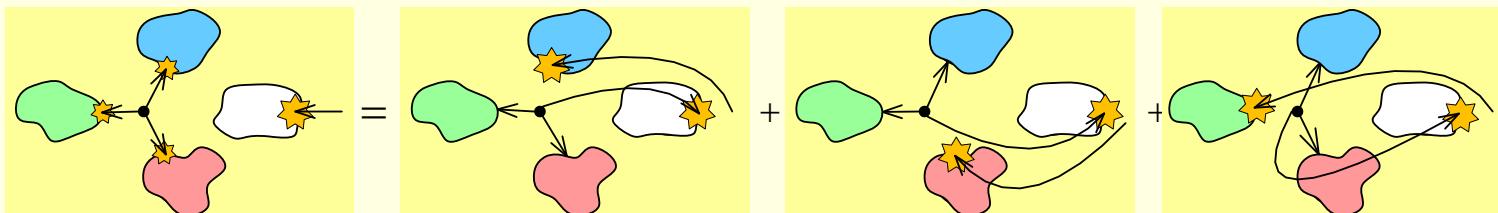
Swap heads



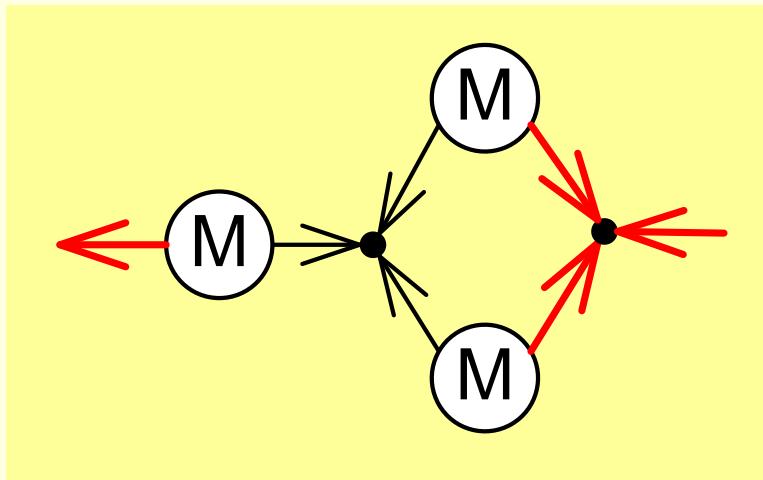
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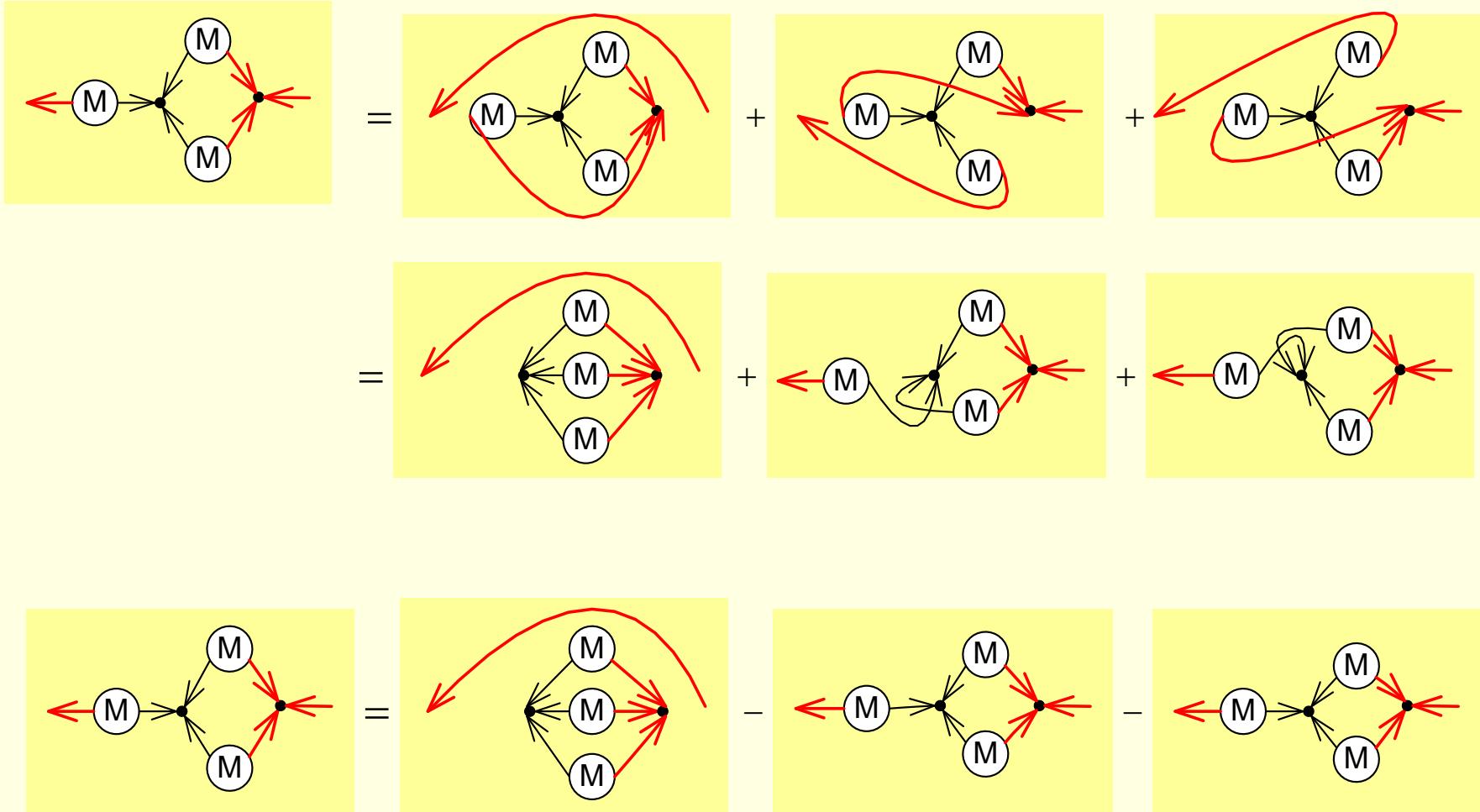
Swap heads (dual)



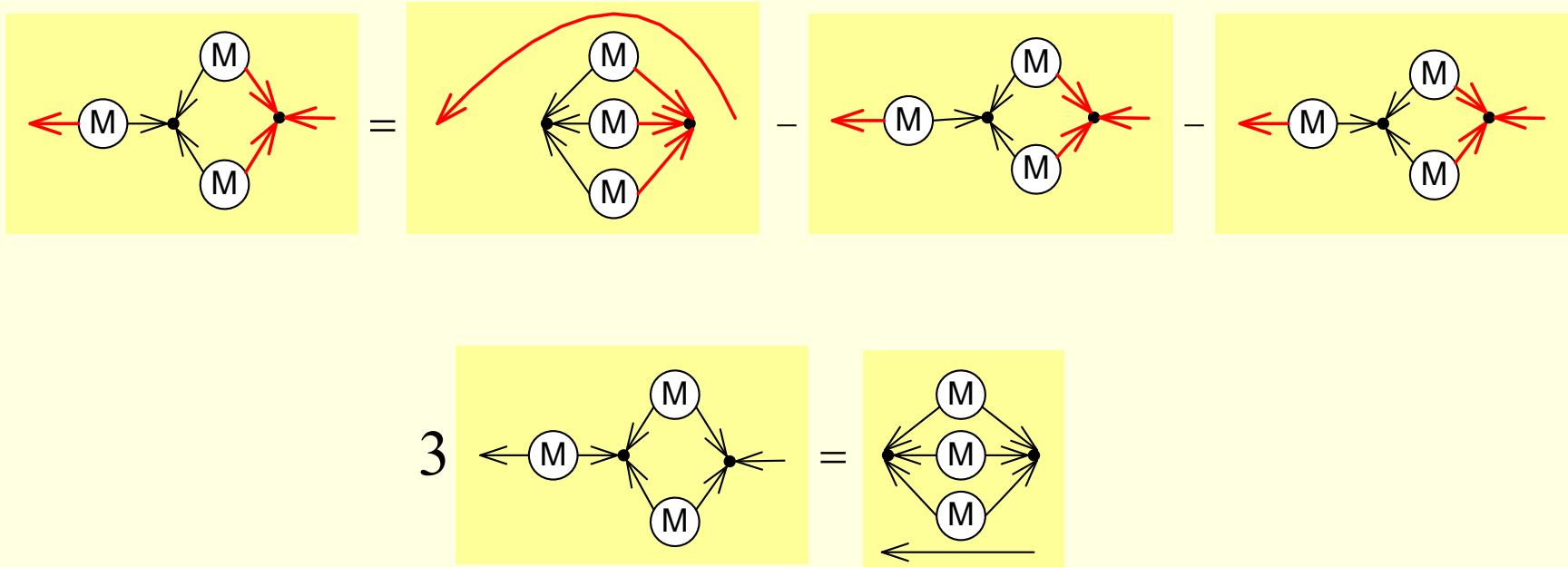
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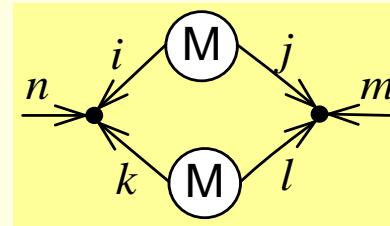
# An Application of Arc Swapping



Compare with:  $\mathbf{M}\mathbf{M}^* = (\det \mathbf{M})\mathbf{I}$

# Relation of Diagram to Adjugate

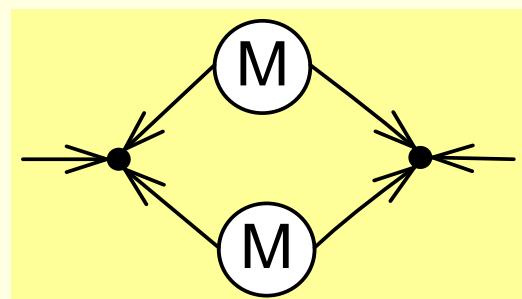
$$D_{mn} = M^{ij} M^{kl} \epsilon_{ikn} \epsilon_{ljm}$$



Example element:

$$D_{11} = \begin{pmatrix} M^{33}M^{22}\epsilon_{321}\epsilon_{231} \\ +M^{22}M^{33}\epsilon_{231}\epsilon_{321} \\ +M^{23}M^{32}\epsilon_{231}\epsilon_{231} \\ +M^{32}M^{23}\epsilon_{321}\epsilon_{321} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -M^{33}M^{22} \\ -M^{22}M^{33} \\ +M^{23}M^{32} \\ +M^{32}M^{23} \end{pmatrix} = -2(M^{22}M^{33} - M^{32}M^{23})$$

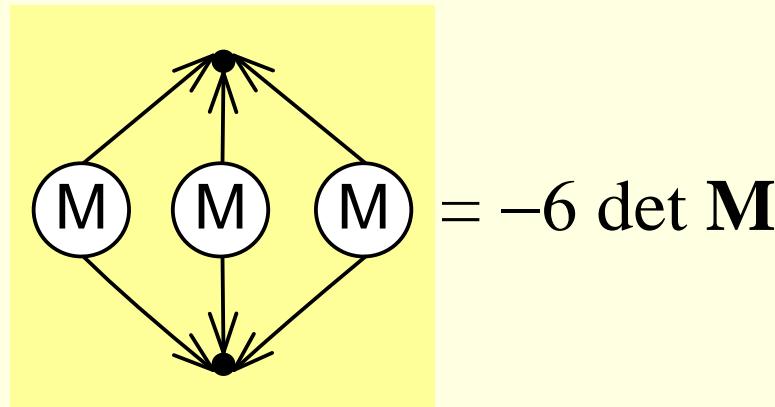
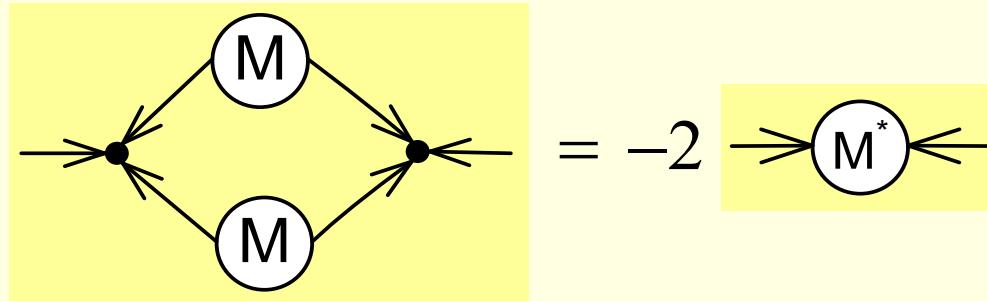
Constant factor



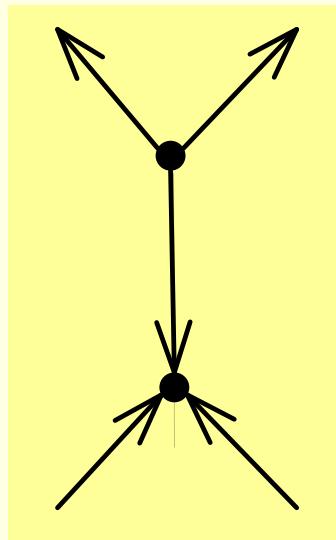
$$= -2 \rightarrow M^*$$

Actual adjugate

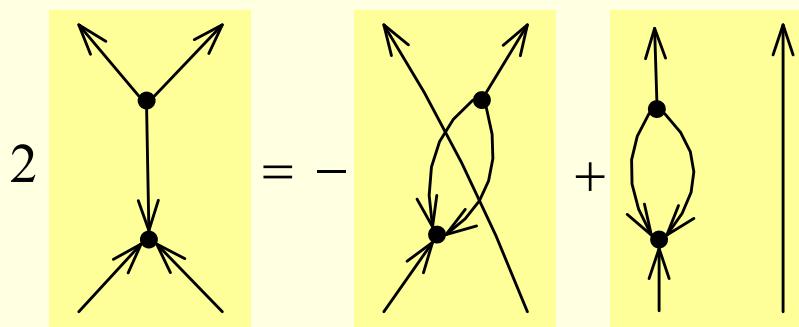
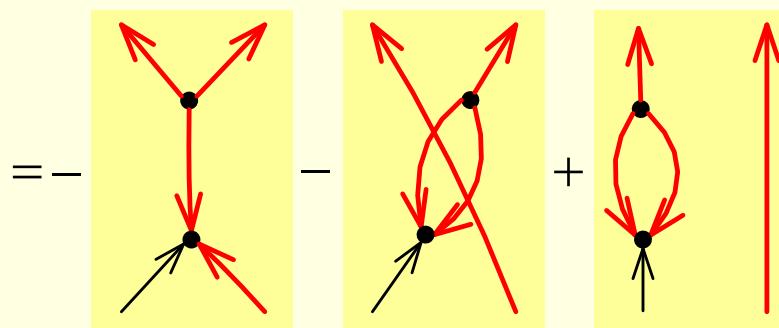
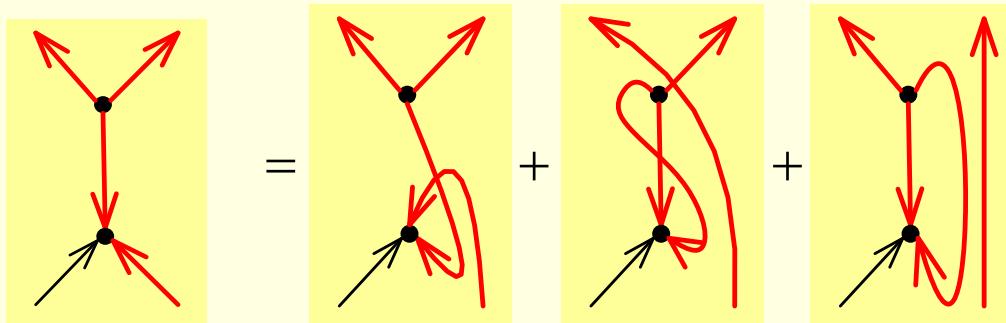
# Adjugate and Determinant



# Another Arc Swap Application



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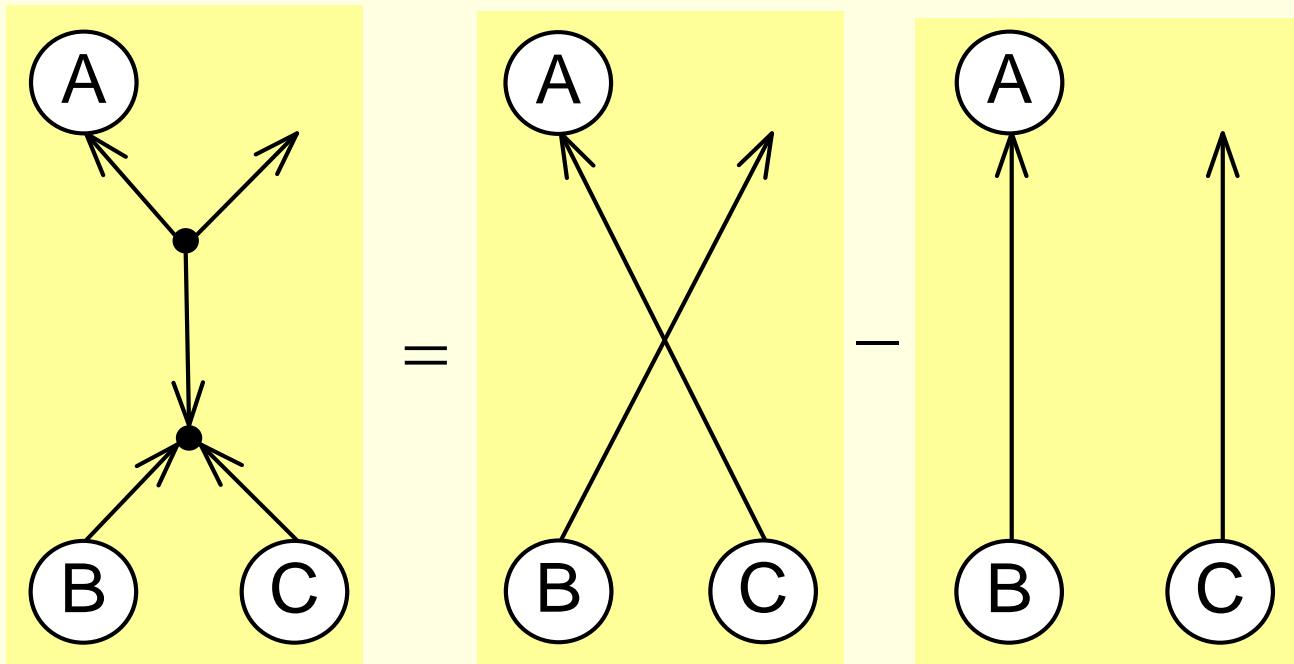
$$2 \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \\ \bullet \\ \searrow \\ \downarrow \\ \nearrow \end{array} = - \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \\ \bullet \\ \searrow \\ \nearrow \\ \searrow \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \bullet \\ \nearrow \\ \searrow \\ \downarrow \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{array}$$
$$= -2 \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \bullet \\ \nearrow \\ \searrow \\ \uparrow \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \nearrow \\ \bullet \\ \searrow \\ \downarrow \\ \nearrow \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \\ \searrow \\ \downarrow \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{array}$$

# Epsilon-Delta Rule

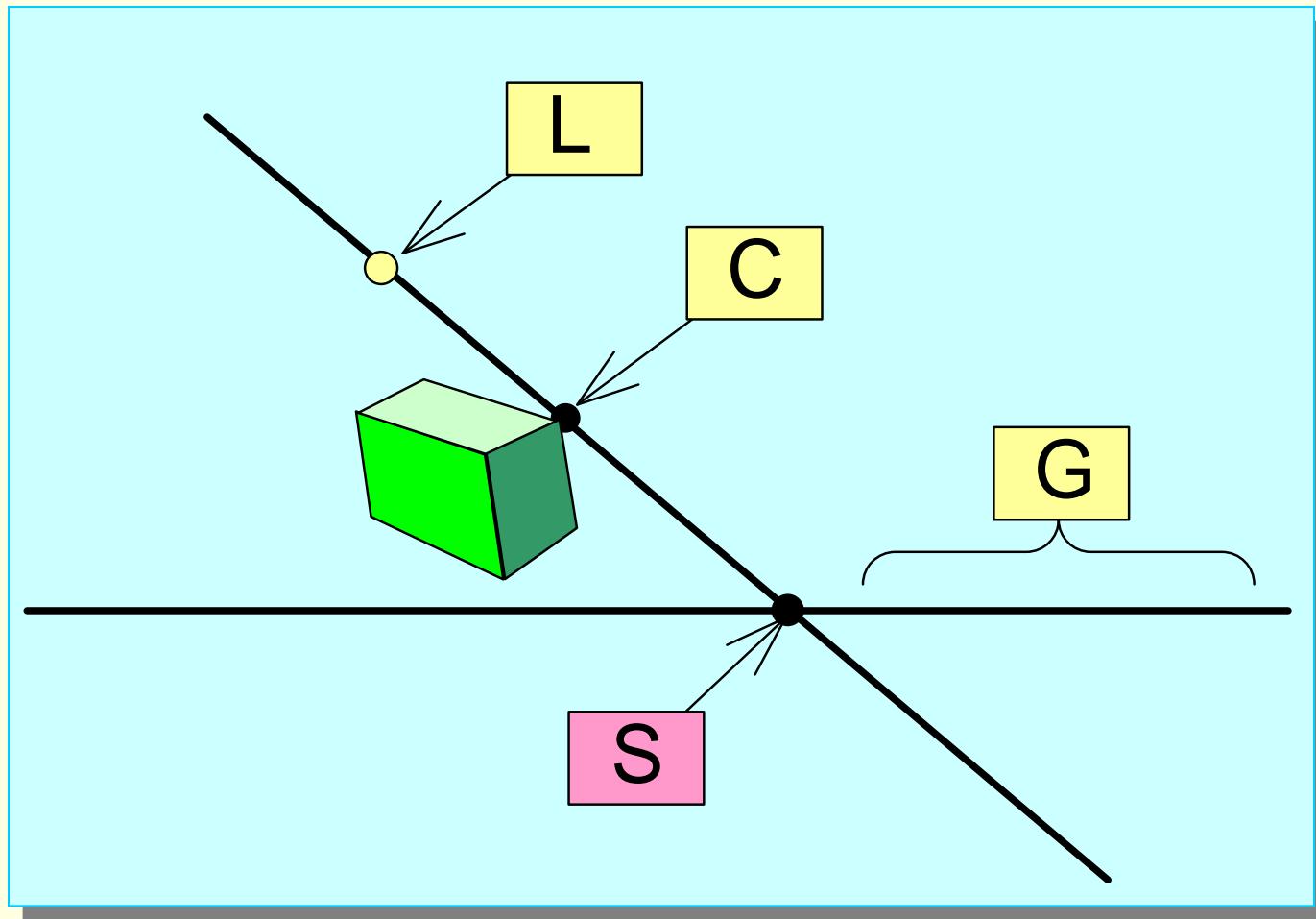
$$\varepsilon_{\alpha j k} \varepsilon^{\alpha l m} = \delta_j^l \delta_k^m - \delta_j^m \delta_k^l$$

# Algebraic Interpretation

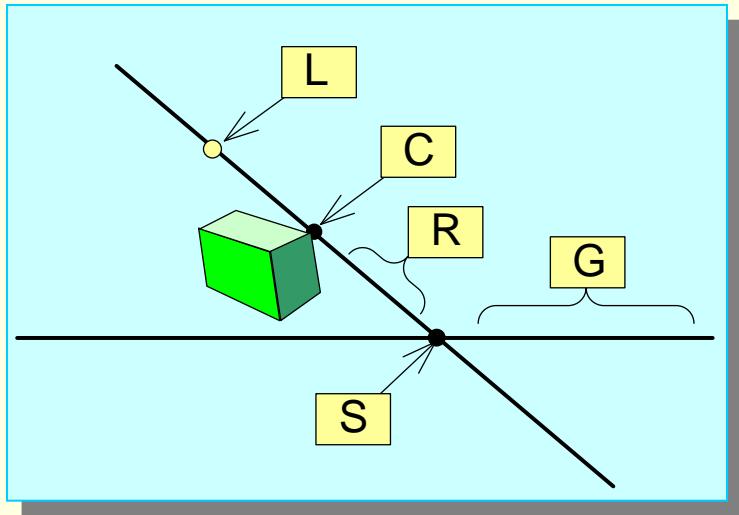


$$A \times (B \times C) = (A \cdot C)B - (A \cdot B)C$$

# Projection from L thru C onto G

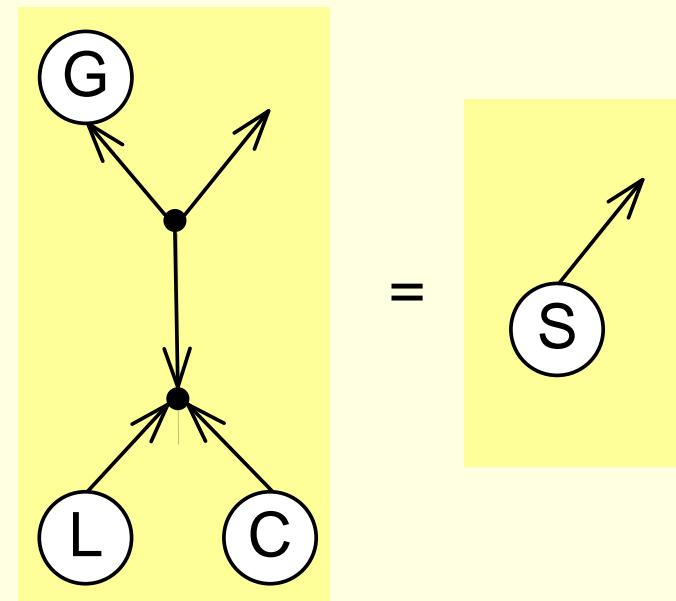


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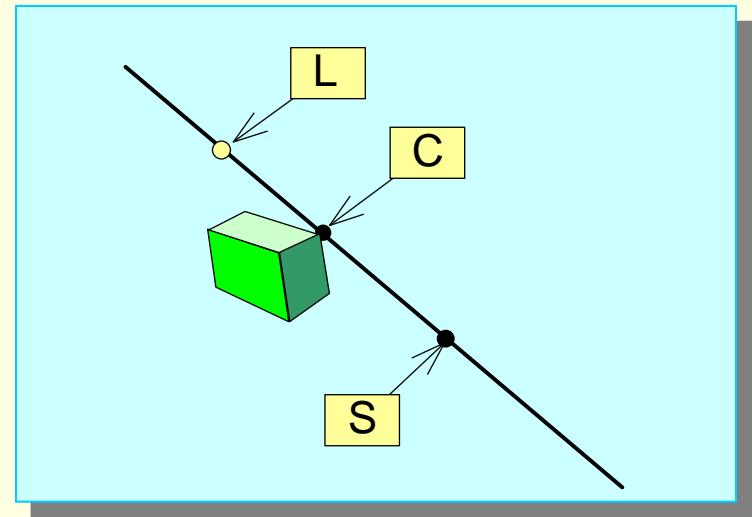
$$L \times C = R$$

$$G \times R = S$$



# Projection from L thru C onto G

$$\mathbf{S} = \alpha\mathbf{L} + \beta\mathbf{C}$$

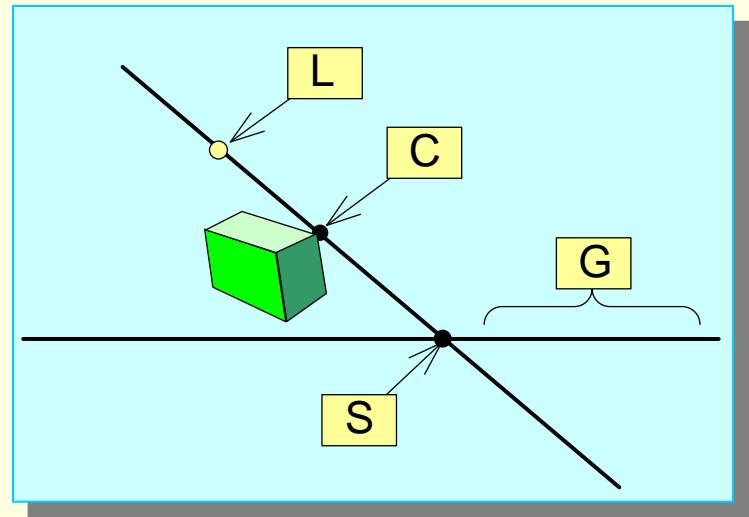


# Projection from L thru C onto G

$$\mathbf{S} = \alpha \mathbf{L} + \beta \mathbf{C}$$

$$\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{G} = 0$$

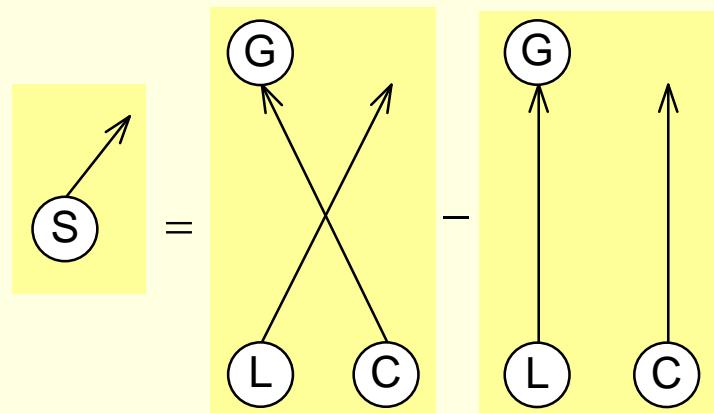
$$0 = \alpha (\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{G}) + \beta (\mathbf{C} \cdot \mathbf{G})$$



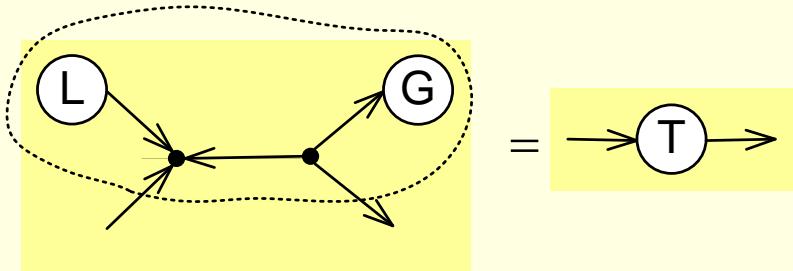
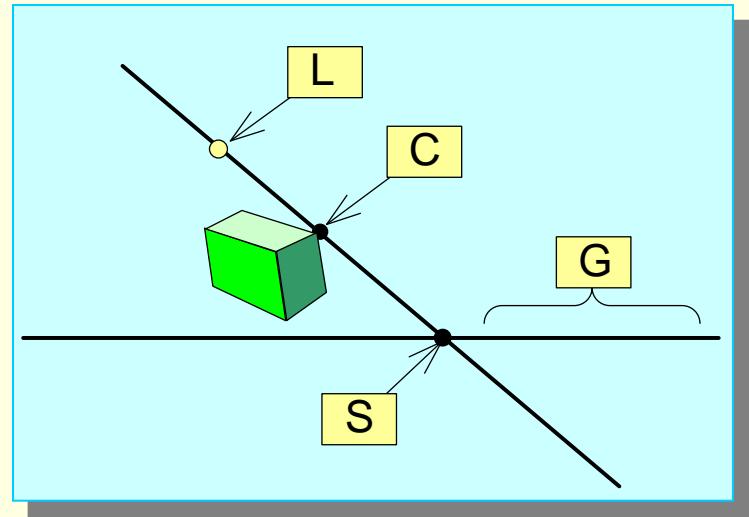
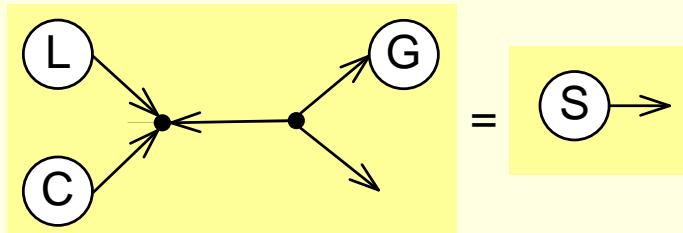
$$\alpha = (\mathbf{C} \cdot \mathbf{G})$$

$$\beta = -(\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{G})$$

$$\mathbf{S} = (\mathbf{C} \cdot \mathbf{G})\mathbf{L} - (\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{G})\mathbf{C}$$



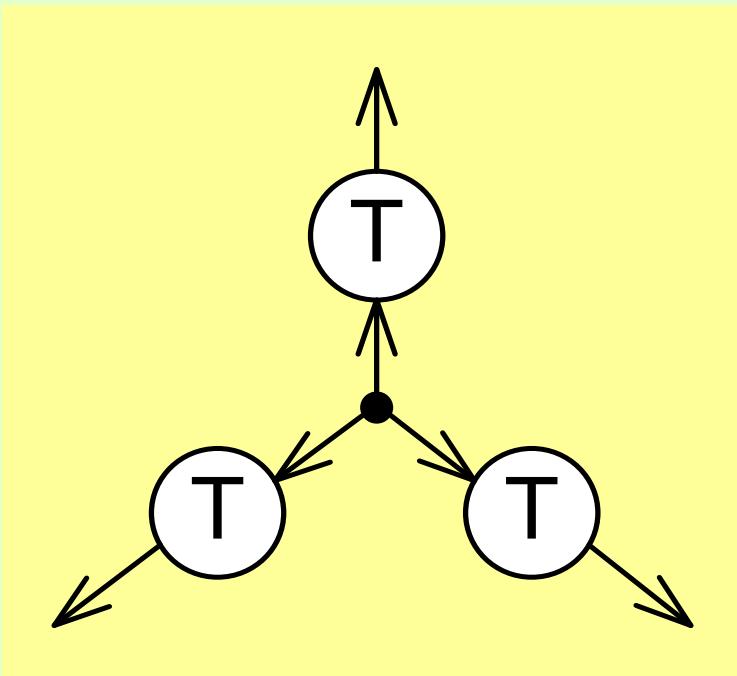
# Shadow Projection Matrix



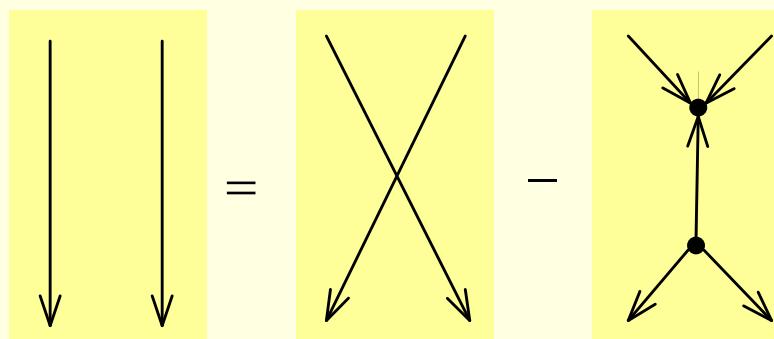
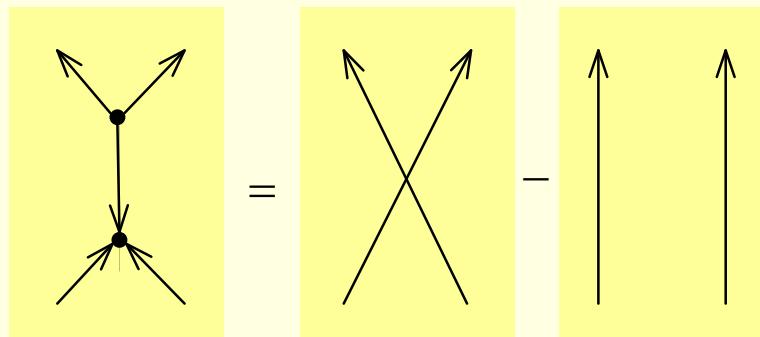
$$C \rightarrow T \rightarrow = S \rightarrow$$

# An Important Identity

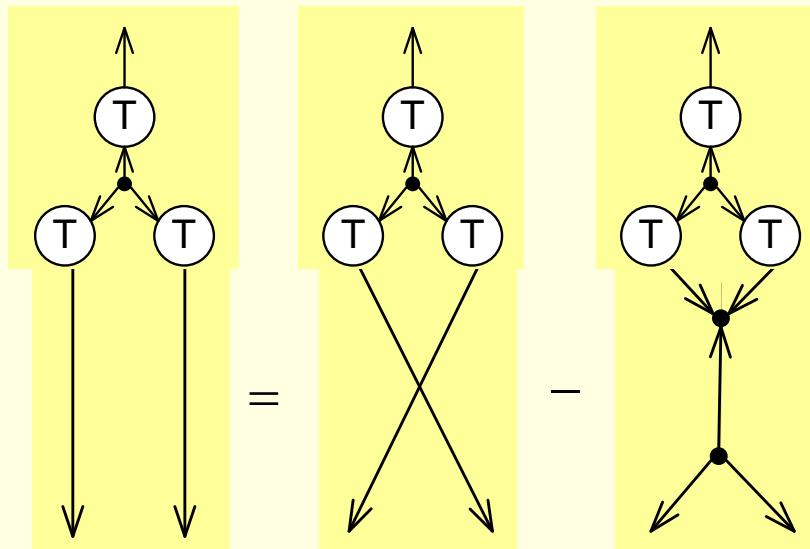
What is transformed Epsilon?



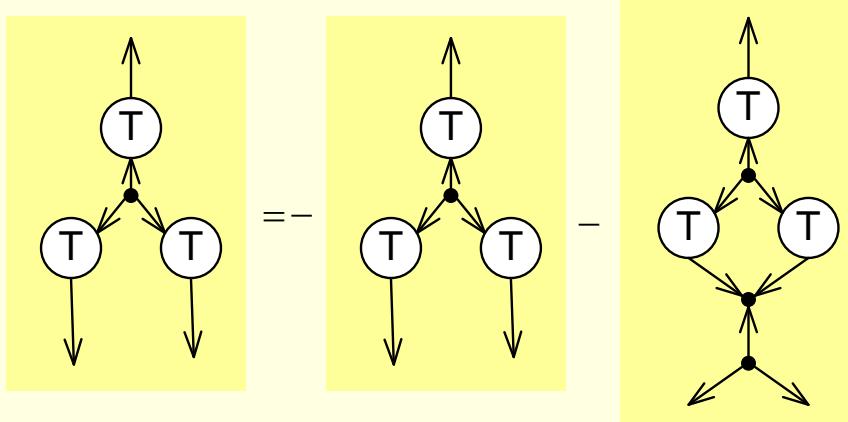
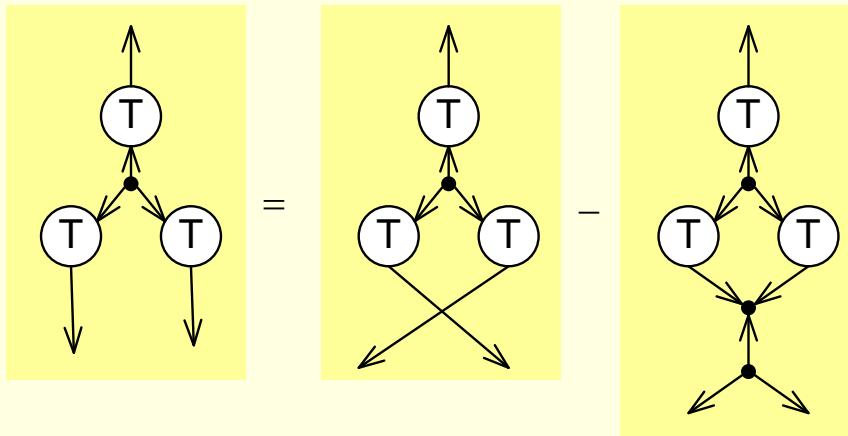
# Use Modification of EpsDel



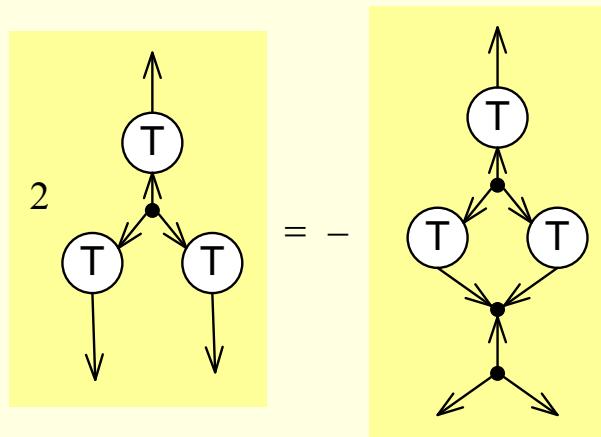
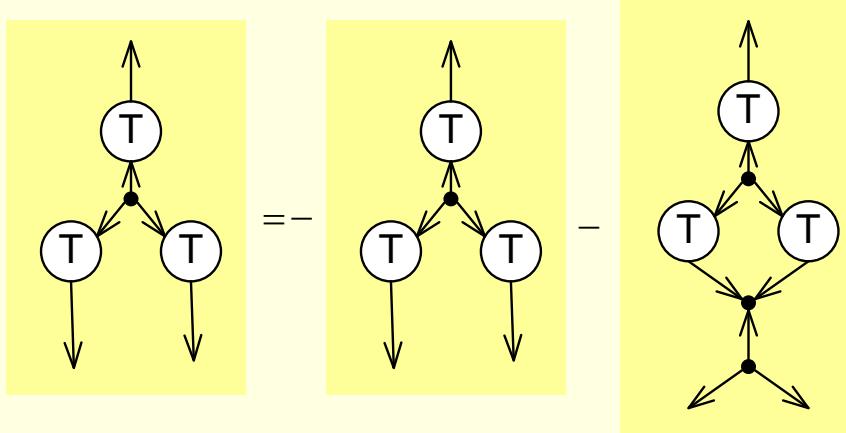
# Apply to Transformed Epsilon



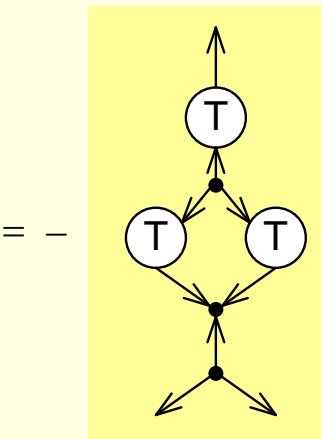
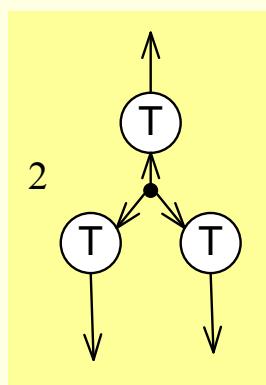
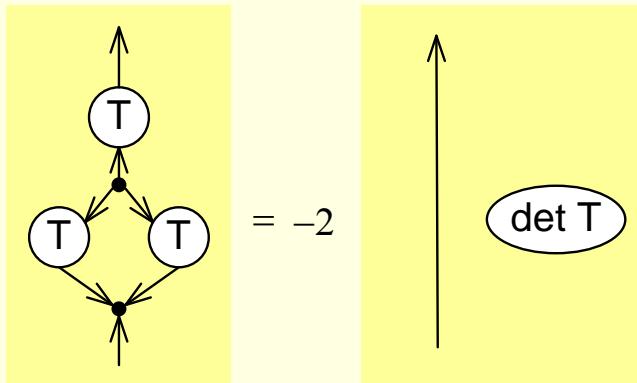
# Mirror Reflection = Change Sign



# Move over = sign



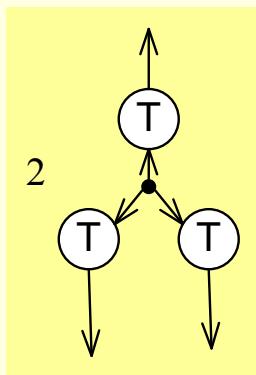
# Recall previous diagram



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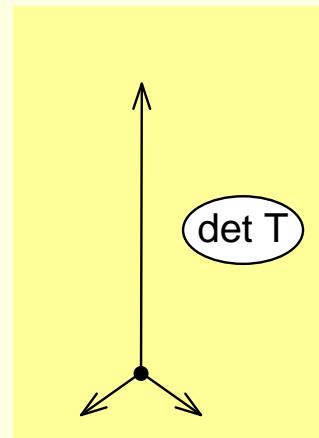
= -2

$\det T$

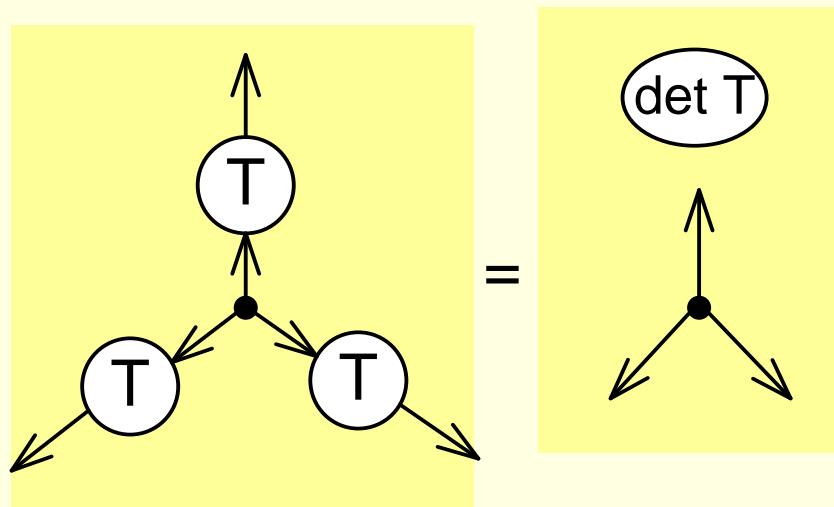


= 2

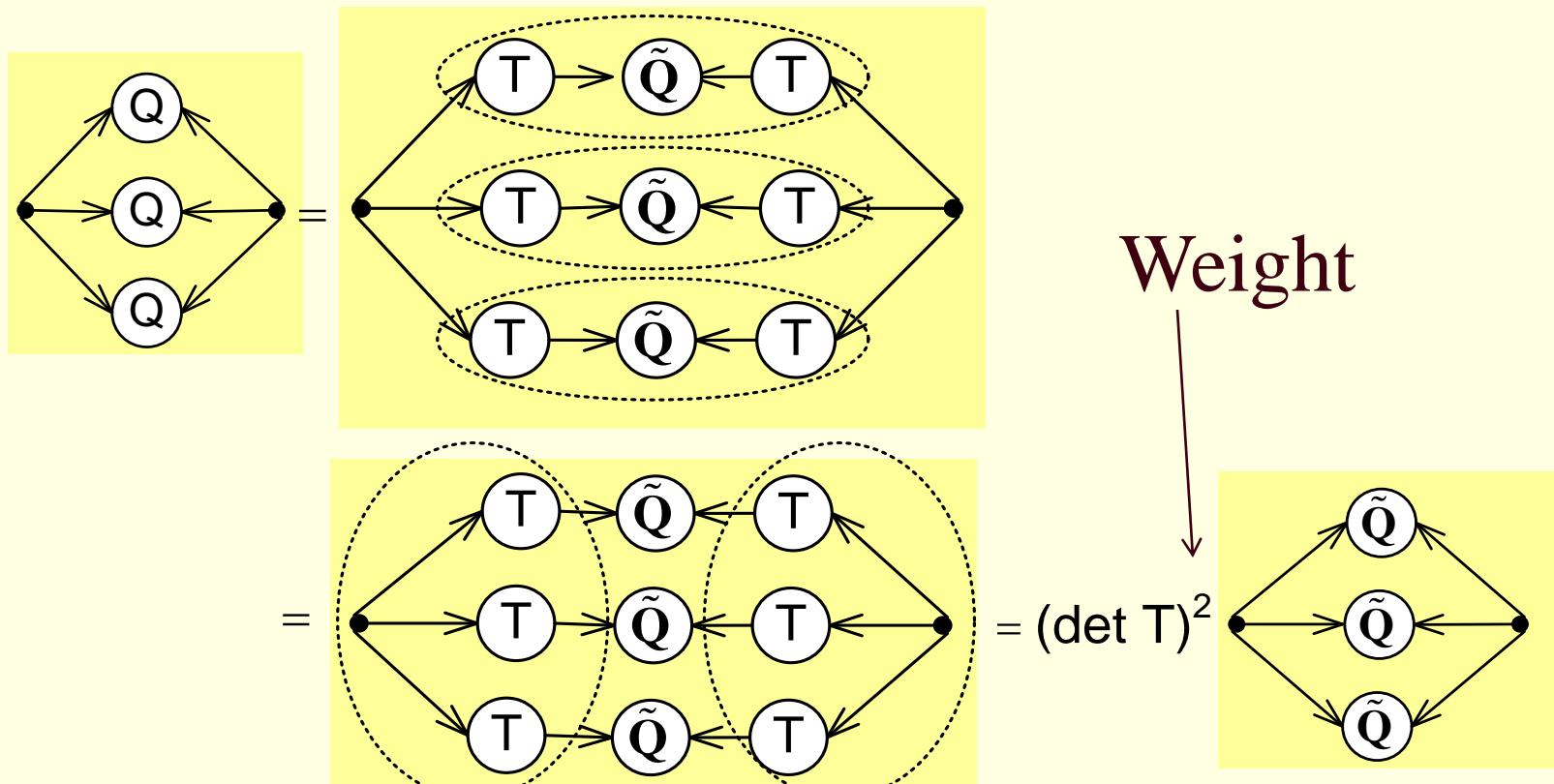
$\det T$



# An Important Identity



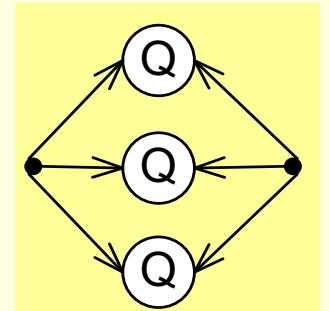
# Diagram of Transformed Quadratic Determinant



# MAJOR PUNCHLINE

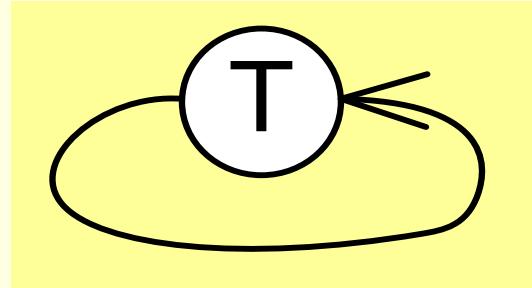
Of all the Gazillion possible  
polynomials in the  
coefficients

Tensor Diagrams express  
only those that represent  
Invariant Properties

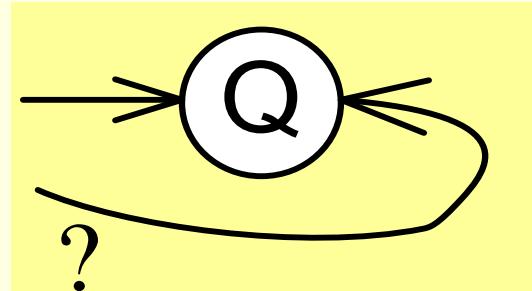


# Trace of Matrix

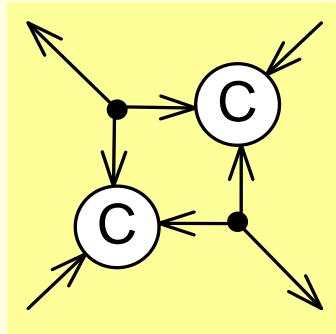
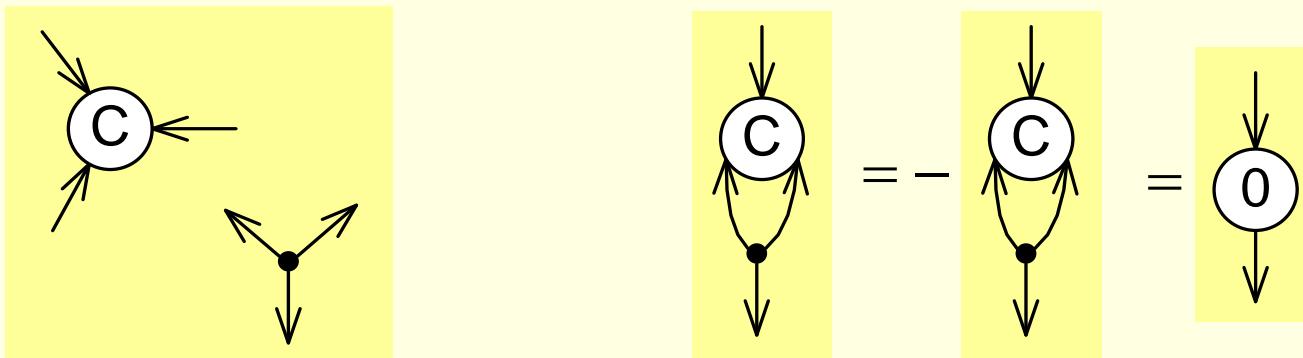
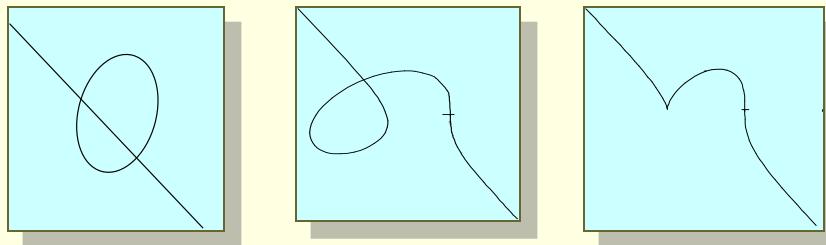
$$\text{trace } \mathbf{T} = \sum_i T_i^i =$$



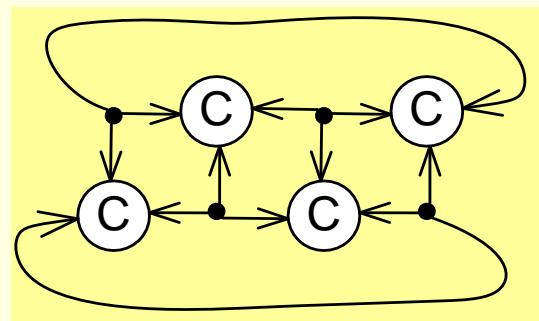
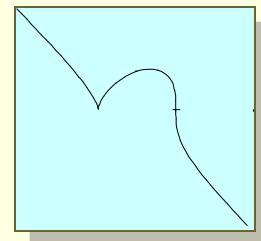
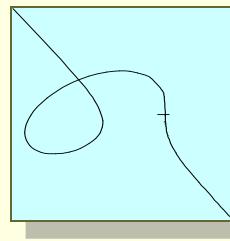
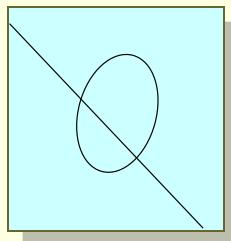
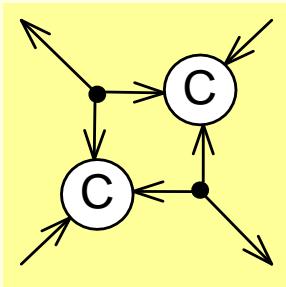
$$\text{trace } \mathbf{Q} = \sum_i Q_{ii} =$$



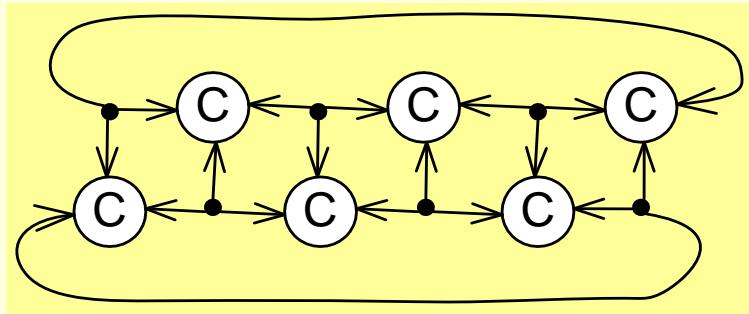
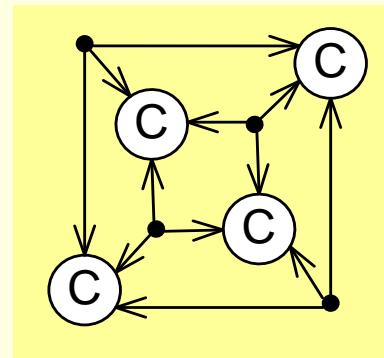
# Discriminant of Cubic



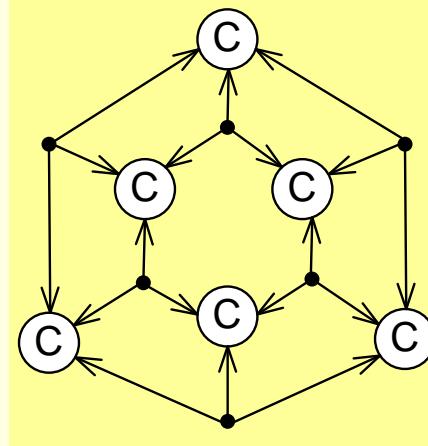
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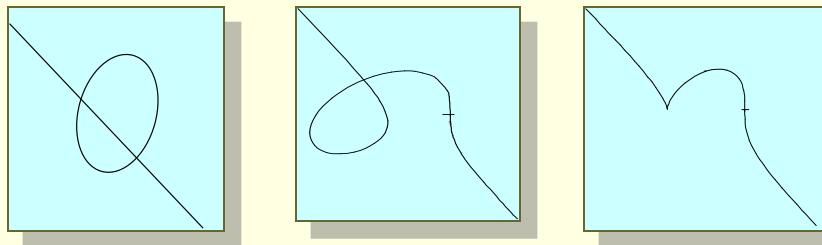
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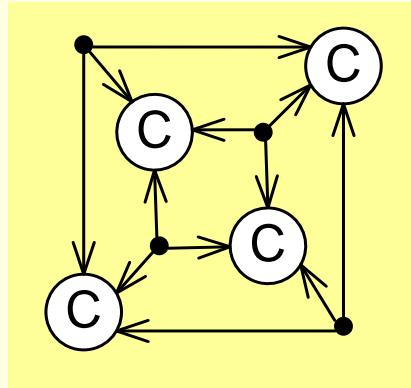


$$\mathbf{D} = 64S^3 + T^2$$

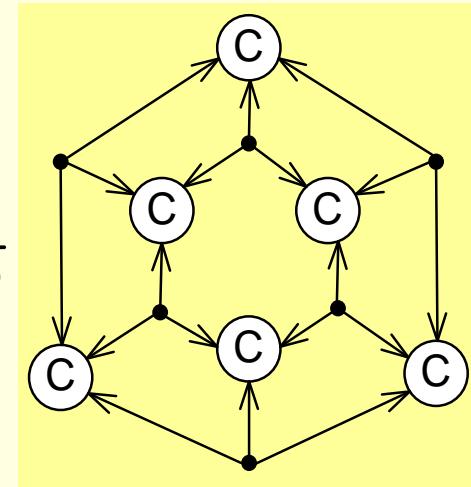
S: degree 4 in  $A \dots K$   
has 25 terms

T: degree 6 in  $A \dots K$   
has 103 terms

$$S = -\frac{1}{24}$$



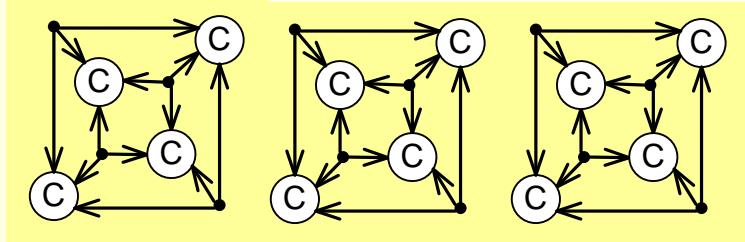
$$T = -\frac{1}{6}$$



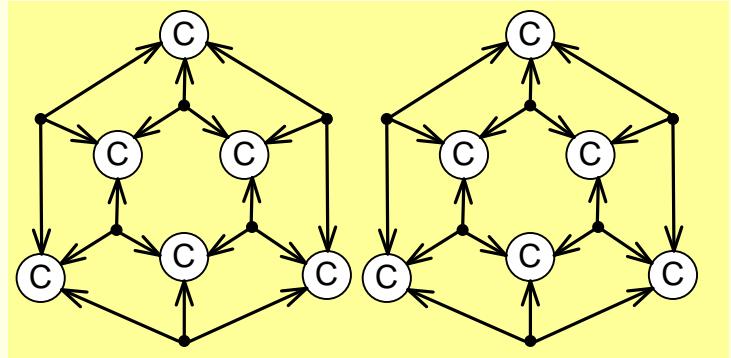
# “Phase space” of cubics

$$\mathbf{D} = 64S^3 + T^2$$

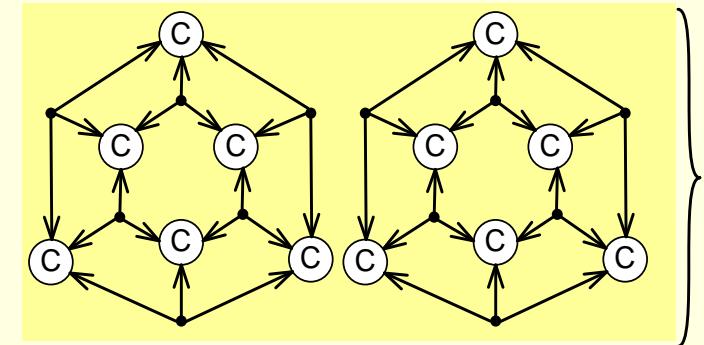
$\mathbf{D} =$



-6



$$\{ \alpha, \beta \} = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{Three small directed graphs labeled C, each with 4 nodes and 6 edges forming a cube-like structure.} \\ , \end{array} \right.$$



# History of Diagrammatic Invariant Notation

1878 Sylvester & Clifford

1885 Kempe

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1989 Olver & Shakiban

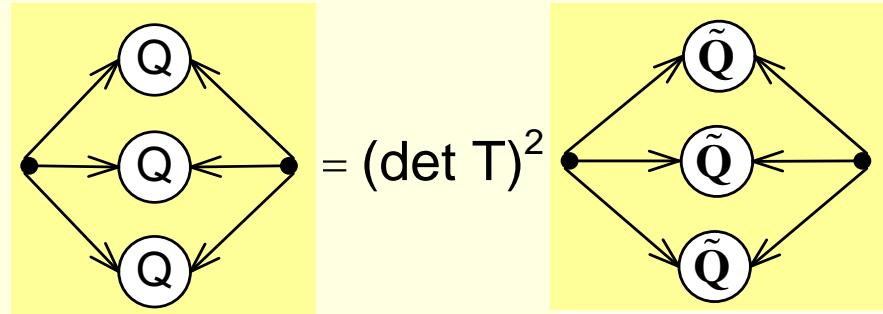
1990 Stedman

1992-2007 Blinn

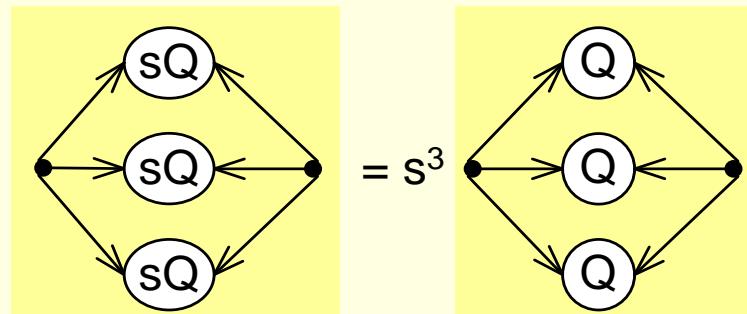
2011 Richter-Gebert

# Effect of Changes

## Geometric Transformation



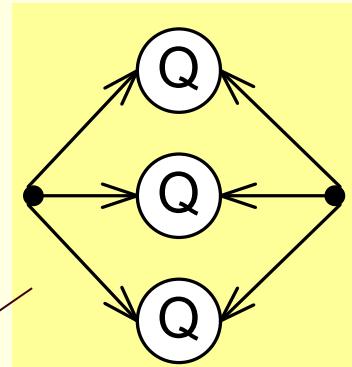
## Homogeneous Scale



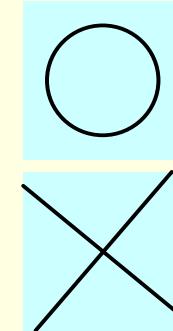
# What Stays Constant?

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Odd number  
of nodes



$\neq 0$

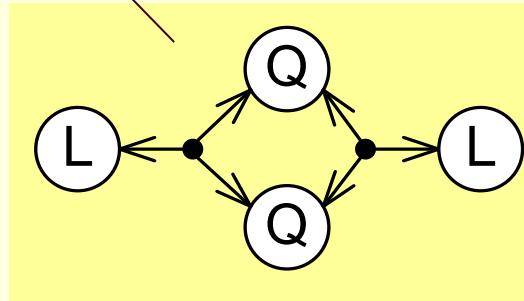


$= 0$

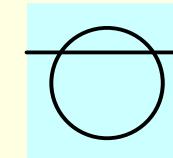
$$= ACF + 2BED - D^2C - E^2A - B^2F$$

Even number  
of nodes

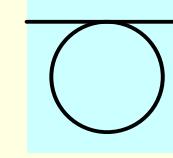
Sign



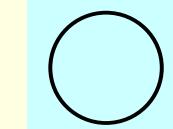
$< 0$



$= 0$



$> 0$



# Where do we go from here

# Other Dimensions

Polynomials in  $P^1$

2D algebra

$$f(x, w) = Ax^2 + Bxw + Cw^2$$

Curves in  $P^2$

3D algebra

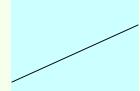
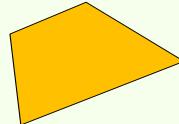
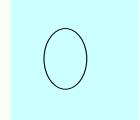
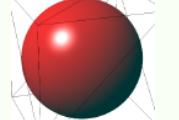
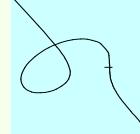
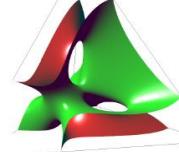
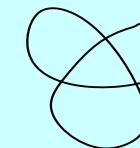
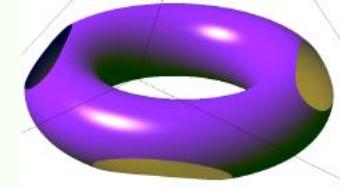
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Surfaces in  $P^3$

4D algebra

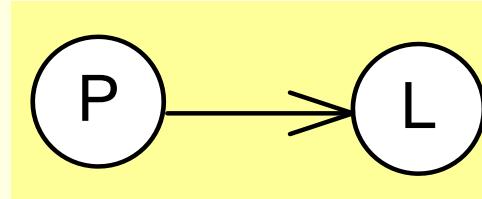
$$f(x, y, z, w) = Gx^2 + Hyw + Jzw + \dots$$

# The Grid

	$2D = P^1$ Point sets on line	$3D = P^2$ Curves in plane	$4D = P^3$ Surfaces in space
LINEAR			
QUADRATIC			
CUBIC			
QUARTIC			
etc			

Order of traversal?

# Other Dimensions

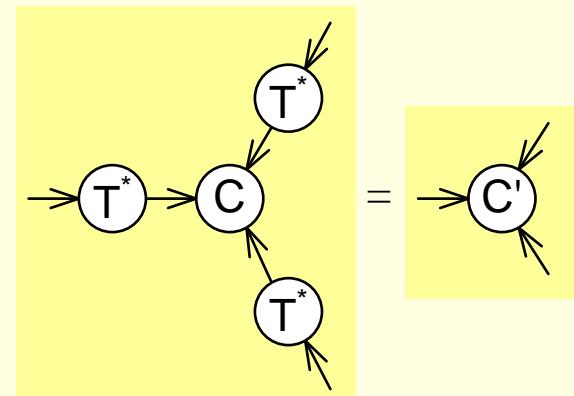
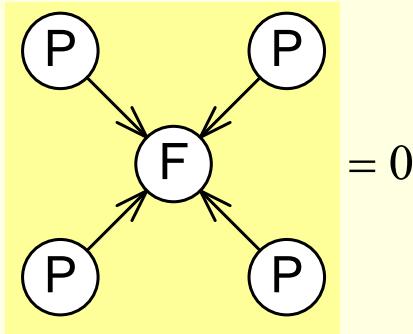
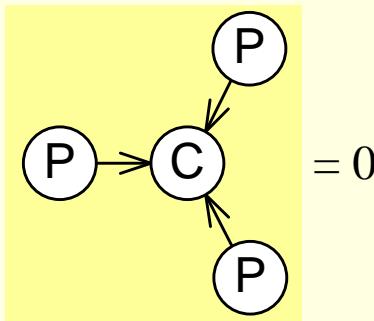
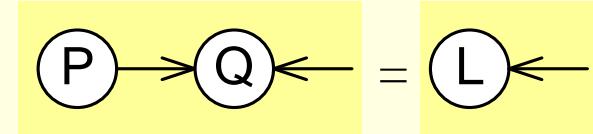
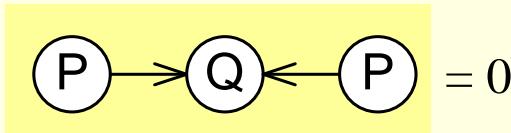
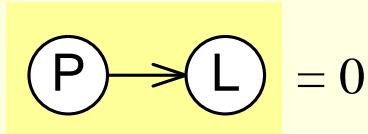


$2D: ax + bw$

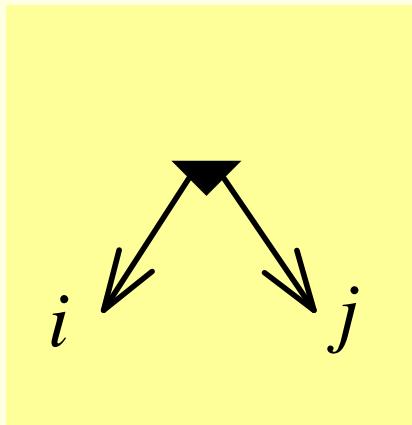
$3D: ax + by + cw$

$4D: ax + by + cz + dw$

# Same Across Dimensionality



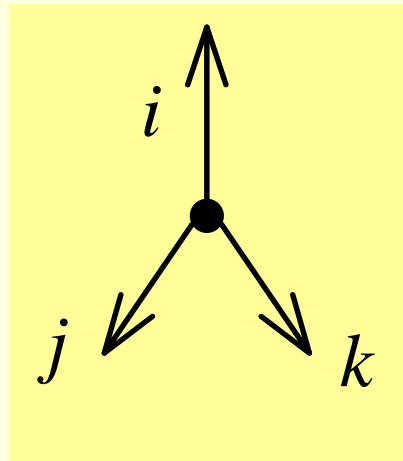
# Dimensionality and Epsilon



$$\epsilon^{ij}$$

2D algebra

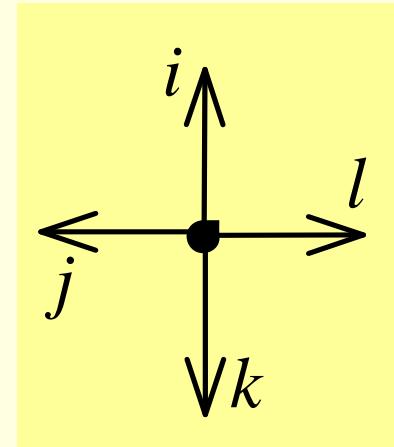
1D geometry



$$\epsilon^{ijk}$$

3D algebra

2D geometry



$$\epsilon^{ijkl}$$

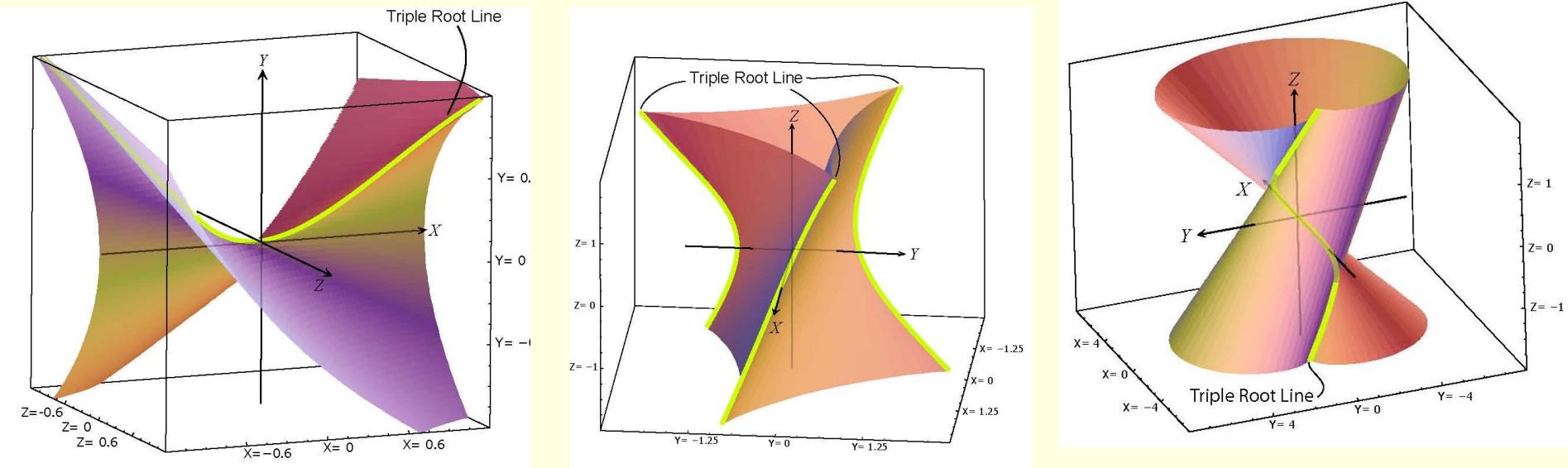
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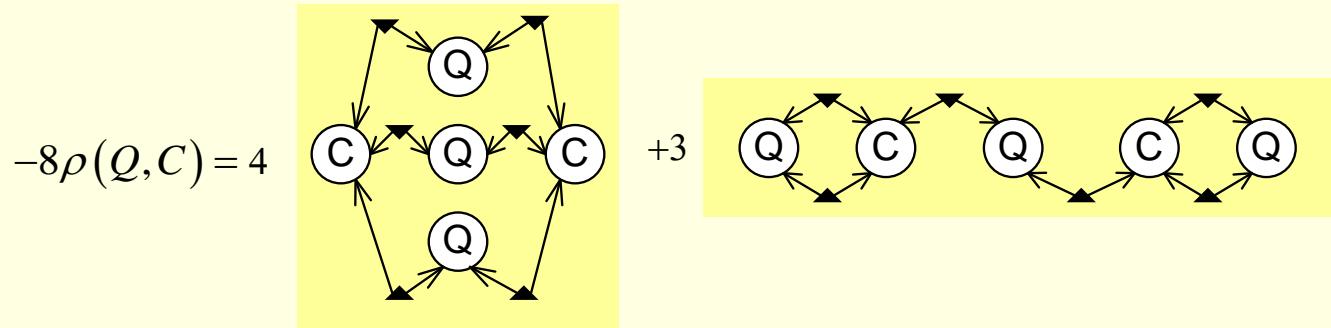
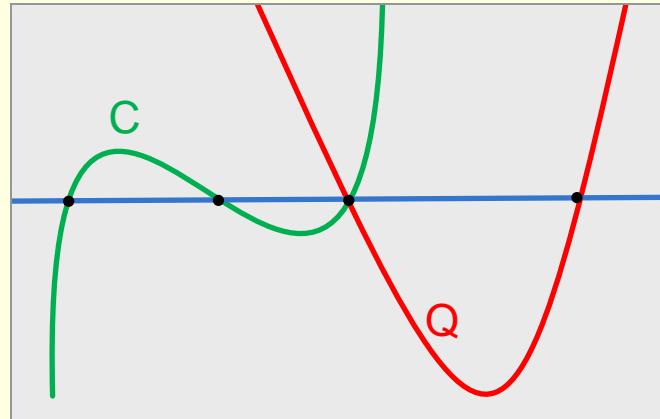
# Previews of Coming Attractions

# Discriminant Surface

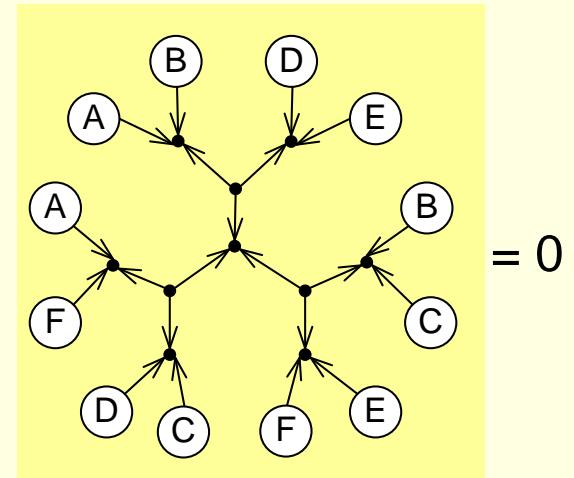
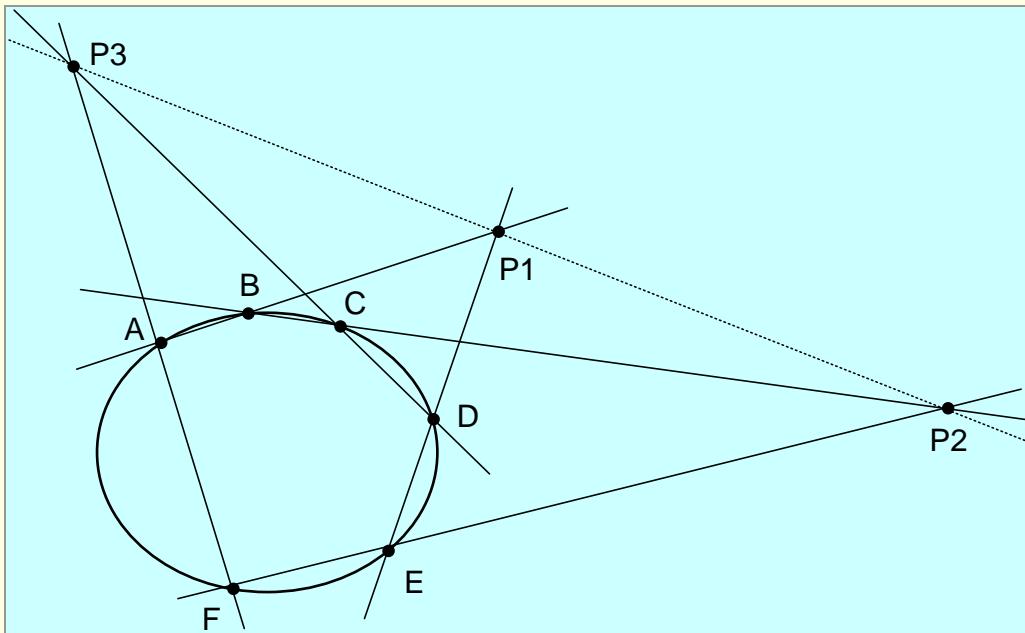
$$-A^2D^2 + 6ABCD - 4AC^3 - 4B^3D + 3B^2C^2 = 0$$



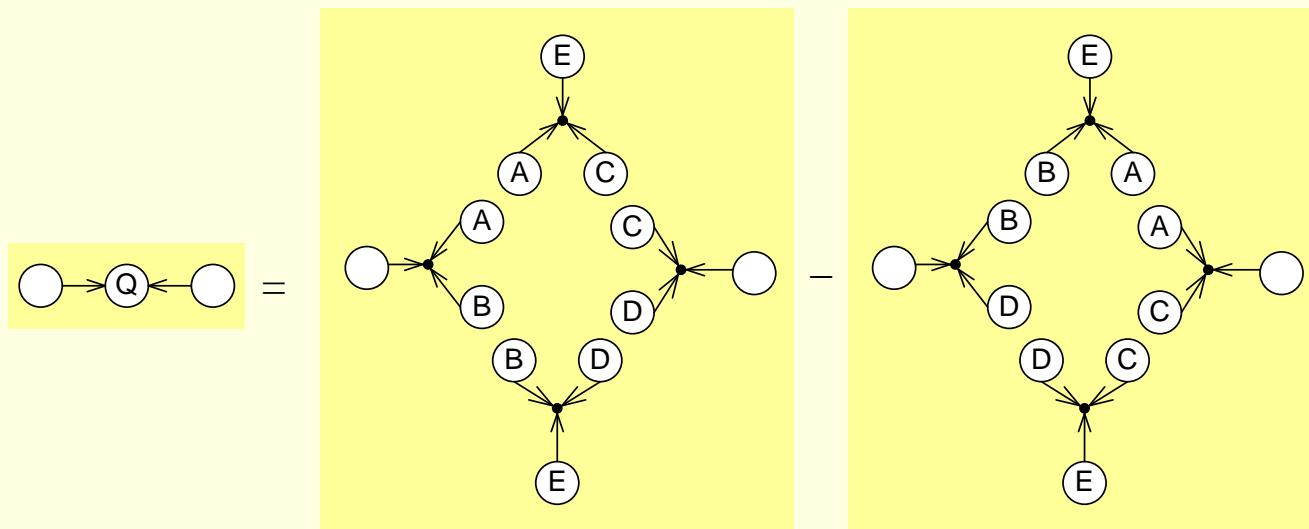
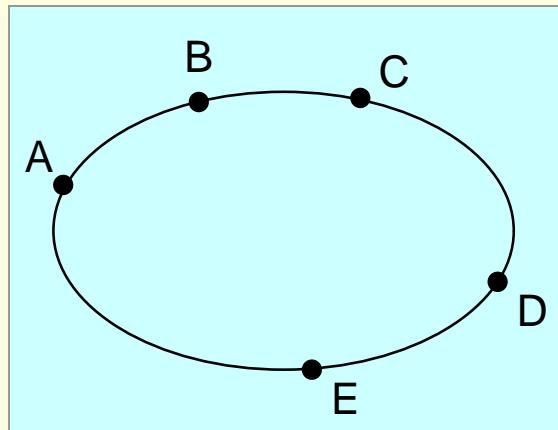
# Resultants



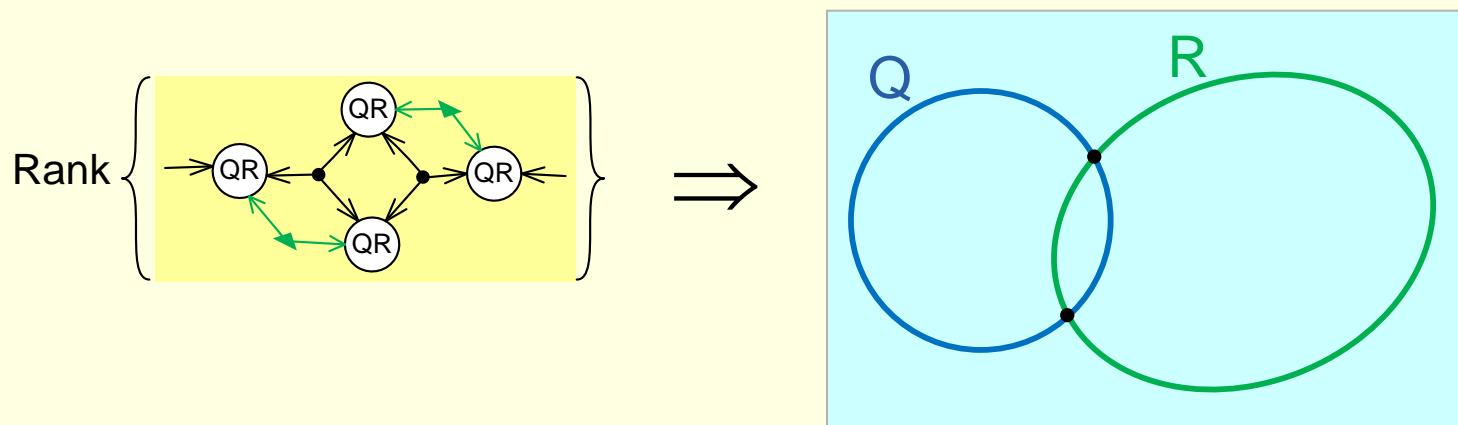
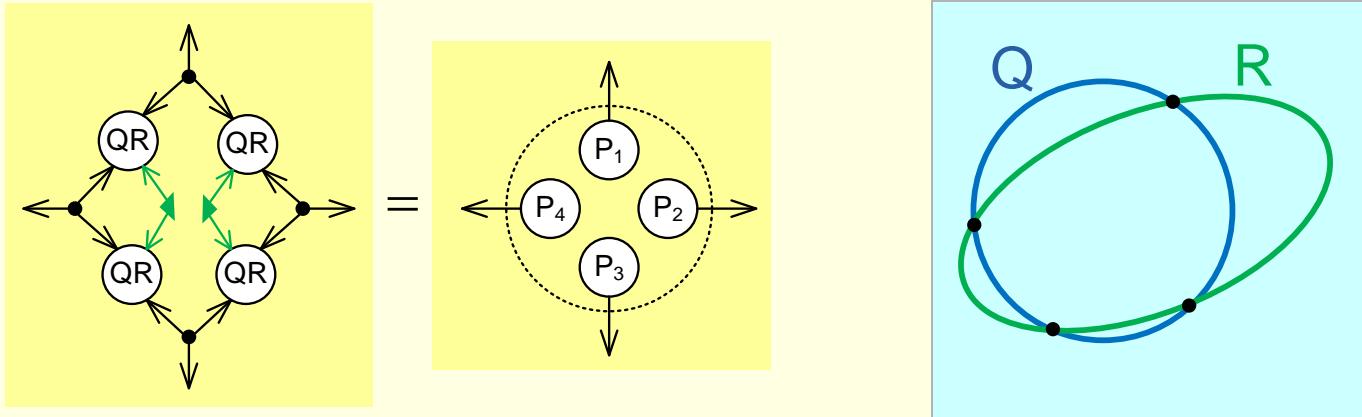
# Theorem of Pascal



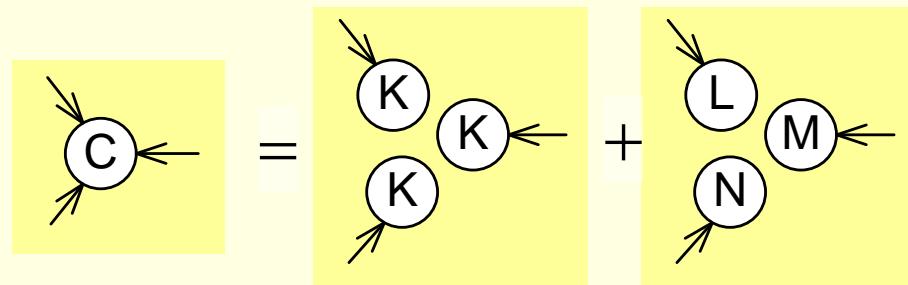
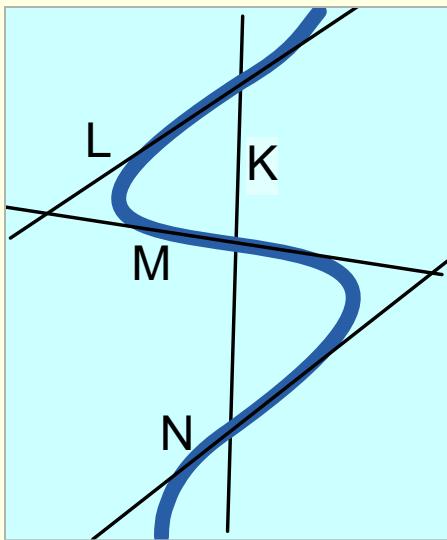
# 5 Points Determine a Quadratic



# Intersecting Two Quadratic Curves

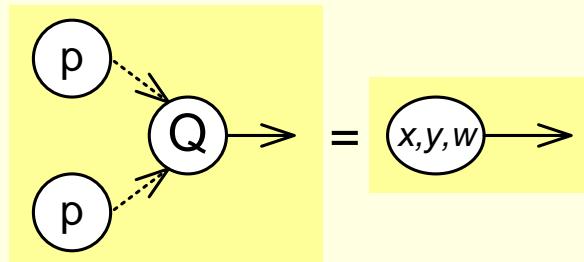


# Analyzing Cubic Curves

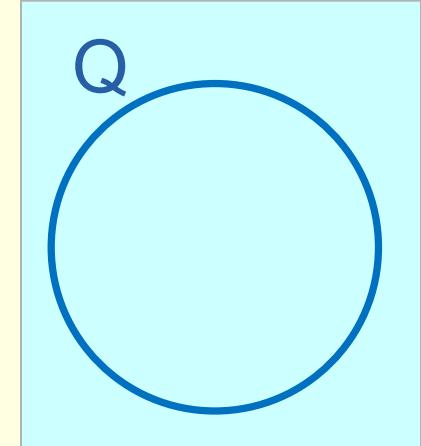
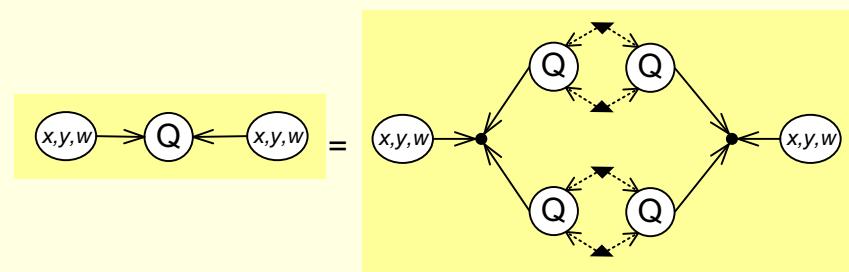


# Parametric Curves

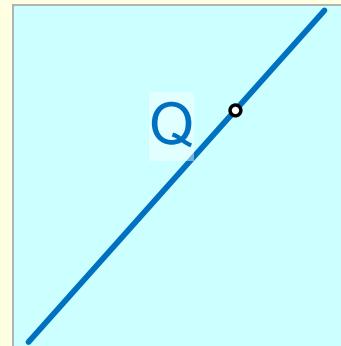
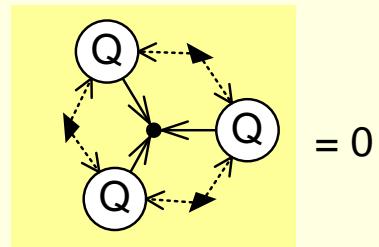
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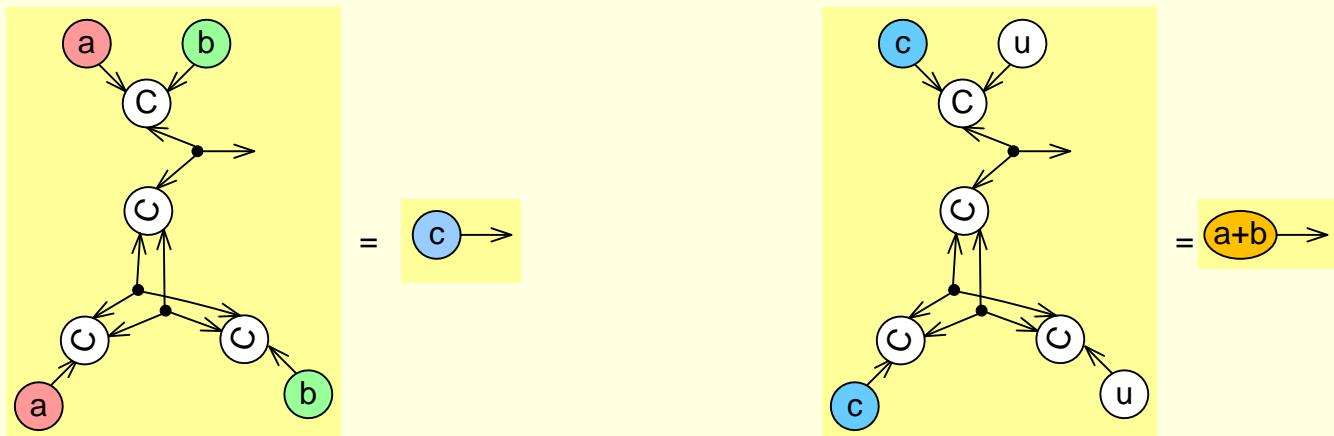
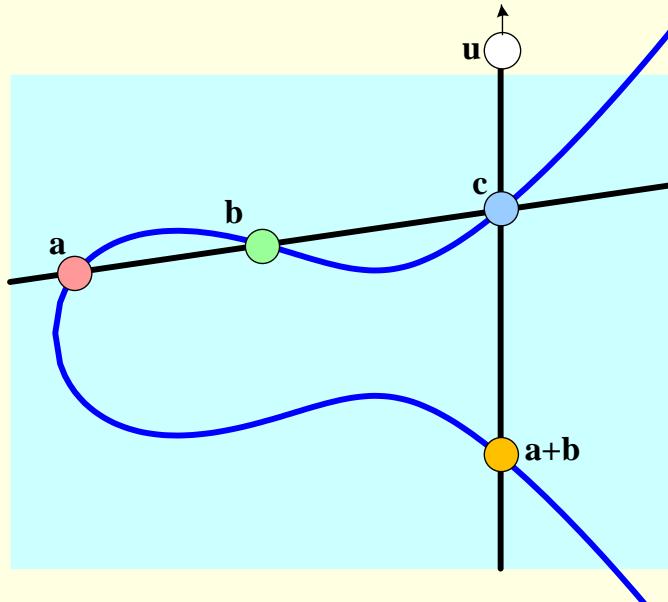
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Degeneracy:  
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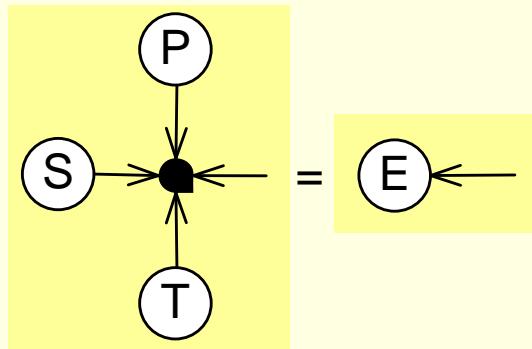


# Group Structure of Cubic

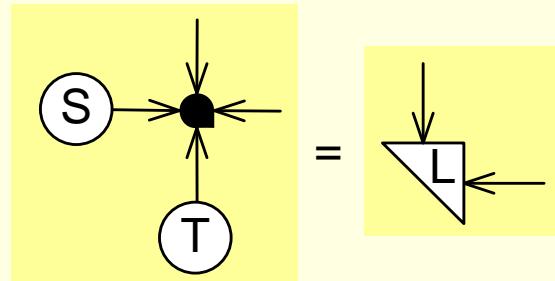


# Three Dimensional Projective Geometry

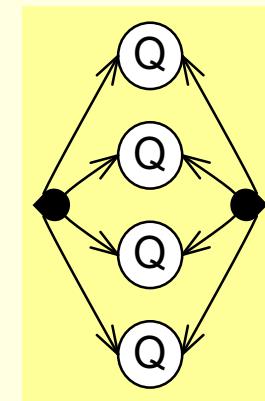
3 Points = A Plane



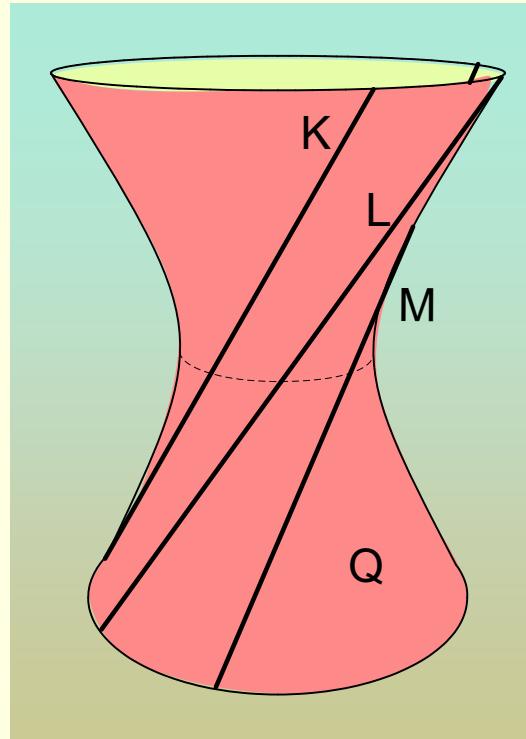
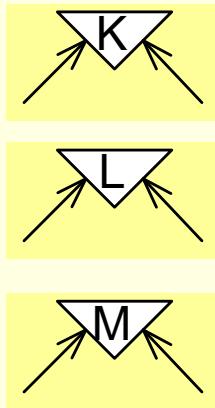
2 Points = A Line



Discriminant of  
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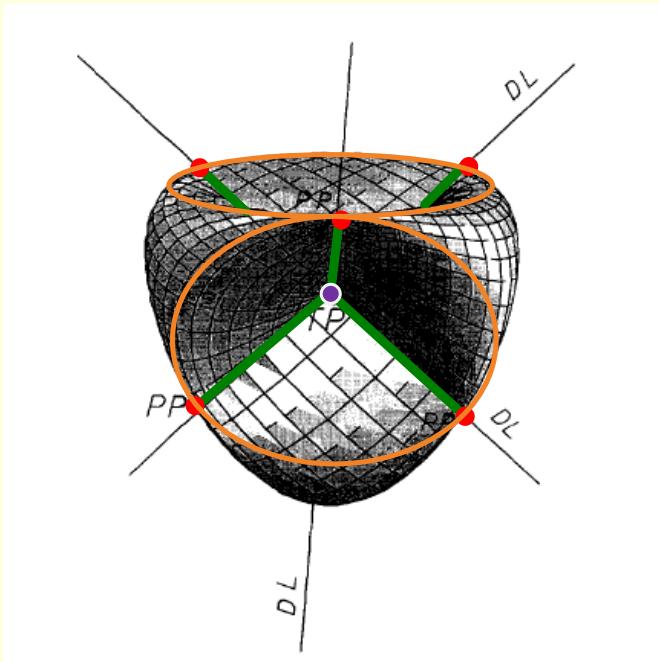


# Three Skew Lines

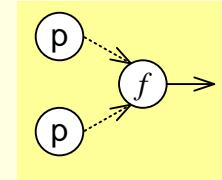


$$\text{---} \circ \text{---} = \text{---} \triangle K \triangle L \triangle M - \text{---} \triangle M \triangle L \triangle K$$

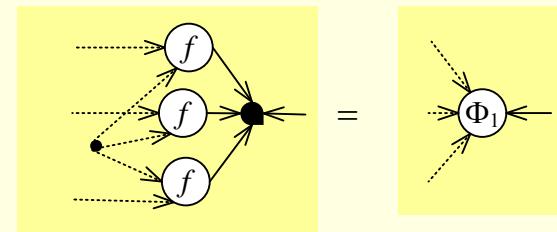
# Steiner Surfaces



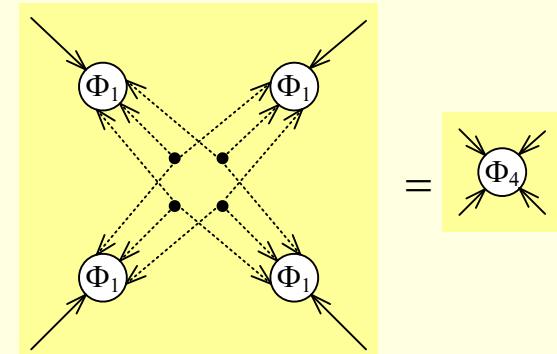
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Tangent



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# Tensor Diagrams

- Keep Track of CoVariant/ContraVariant Pairings
- Represent Higher Order Curves Nicely
- Express Only Invariant Quantities
- Allow for Algebra on These Quantities
- Are coordinate free
- Allow us to feel really cool at sharing notation with Einstein and Feynman

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