

MV-algebras, beyond algebraic logic

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I consider that he was mainly an algebraist, and that his interest for logic was as a source of algebraic problems, principally those capable of computable results.

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interest to you
(no MV-algebras in the first
part of this talk)

FIRST PROBLEM:

recognizing free
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For boolean algebras and abelian groups, all four problems are easily decidable.

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Thus if K satisfies the hypothesis of the theorem, the above **four** decision problems are reduced to the **two** problems of deciding if t'_1, \dots, t'_n generate the free algebra, or an isomorphic copy of it

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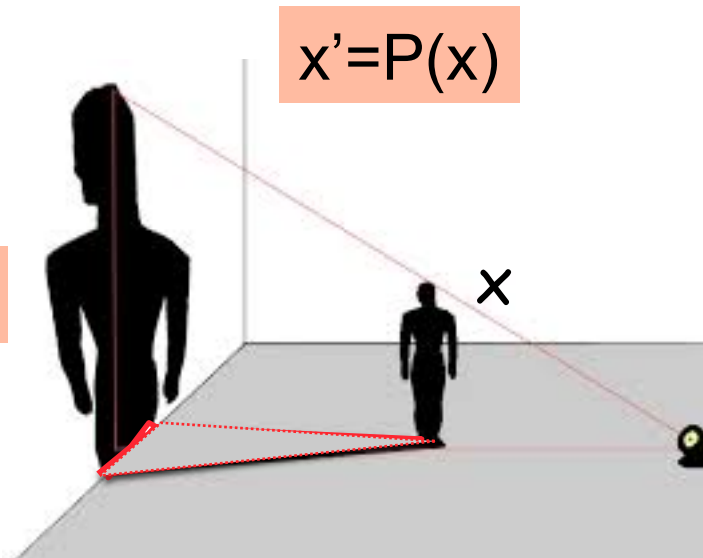
SECOND PROBLEM:

characterizing
projective algebras in
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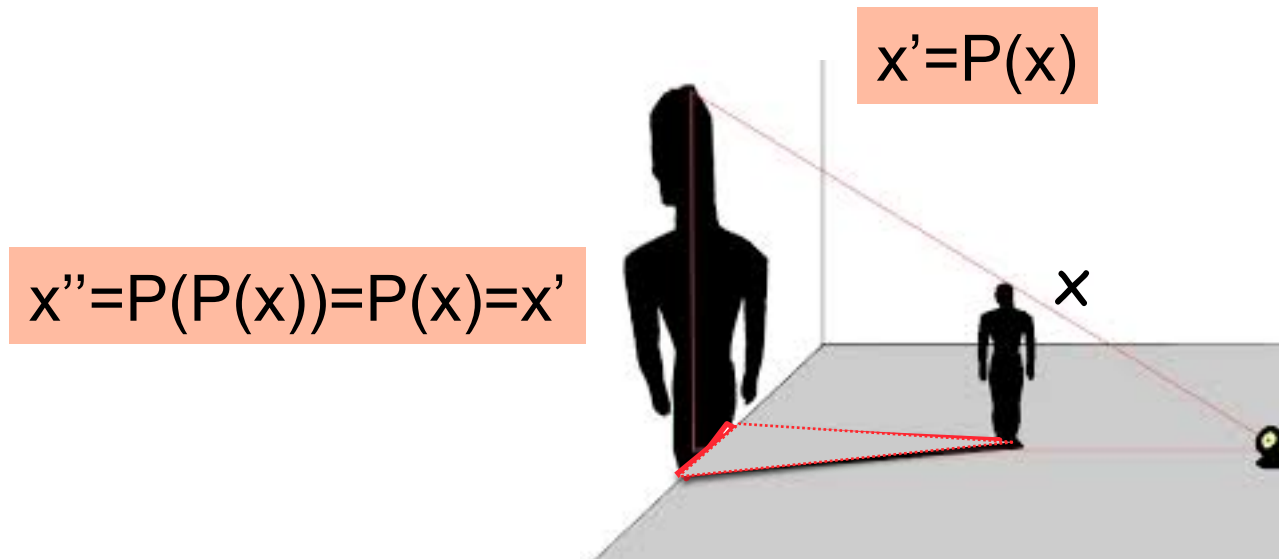
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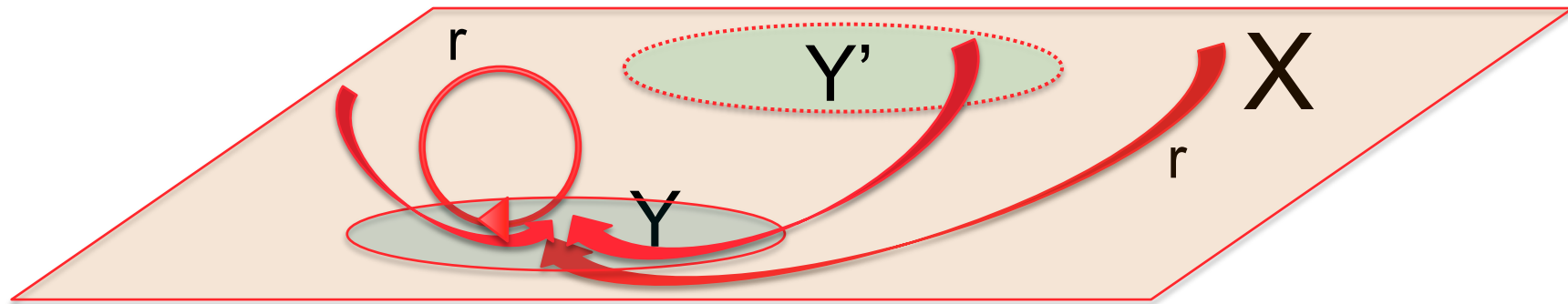
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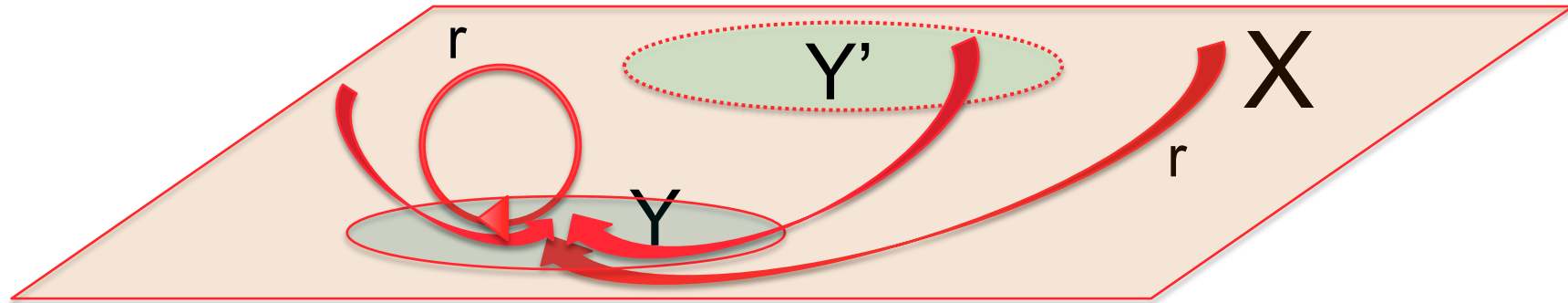


a projection map is **idempotent**, $P(P) = P$.
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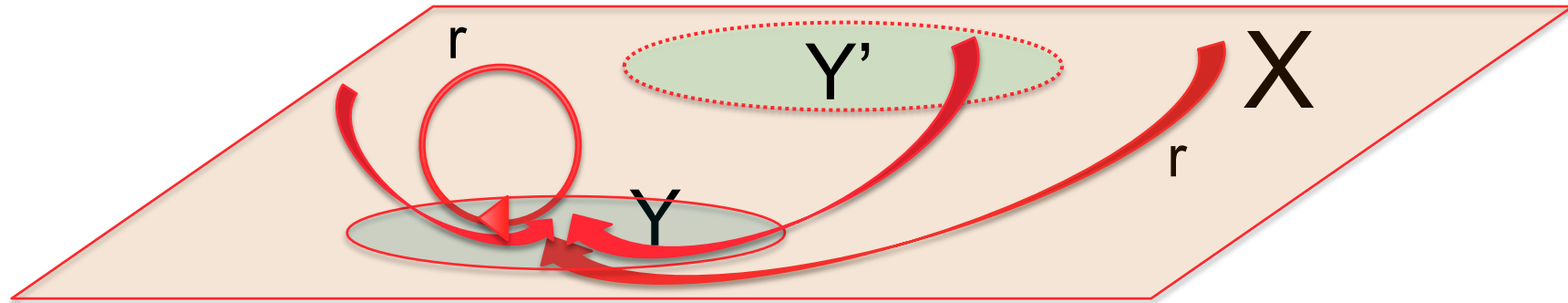


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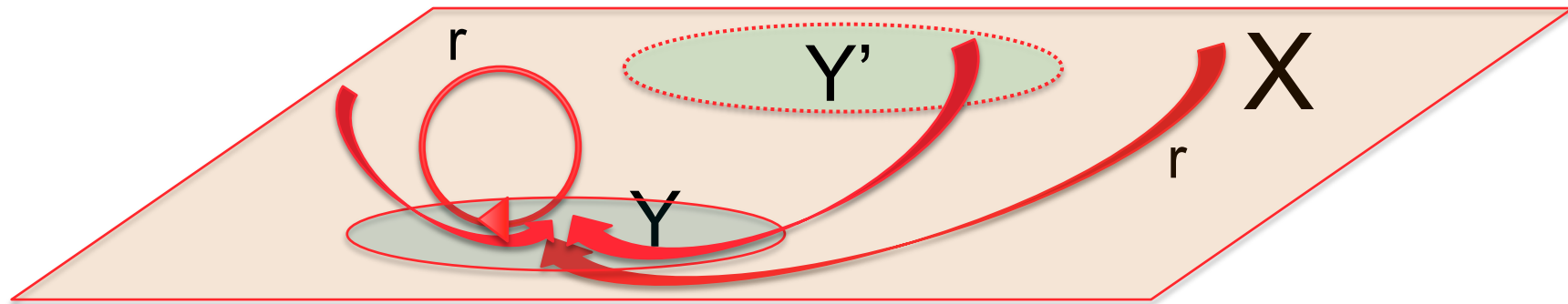
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In the picture we have a region $Y' \neq Y$ where r **acts bijectively** onto Y . The number of such regions might yield new invariants for projective algebras.

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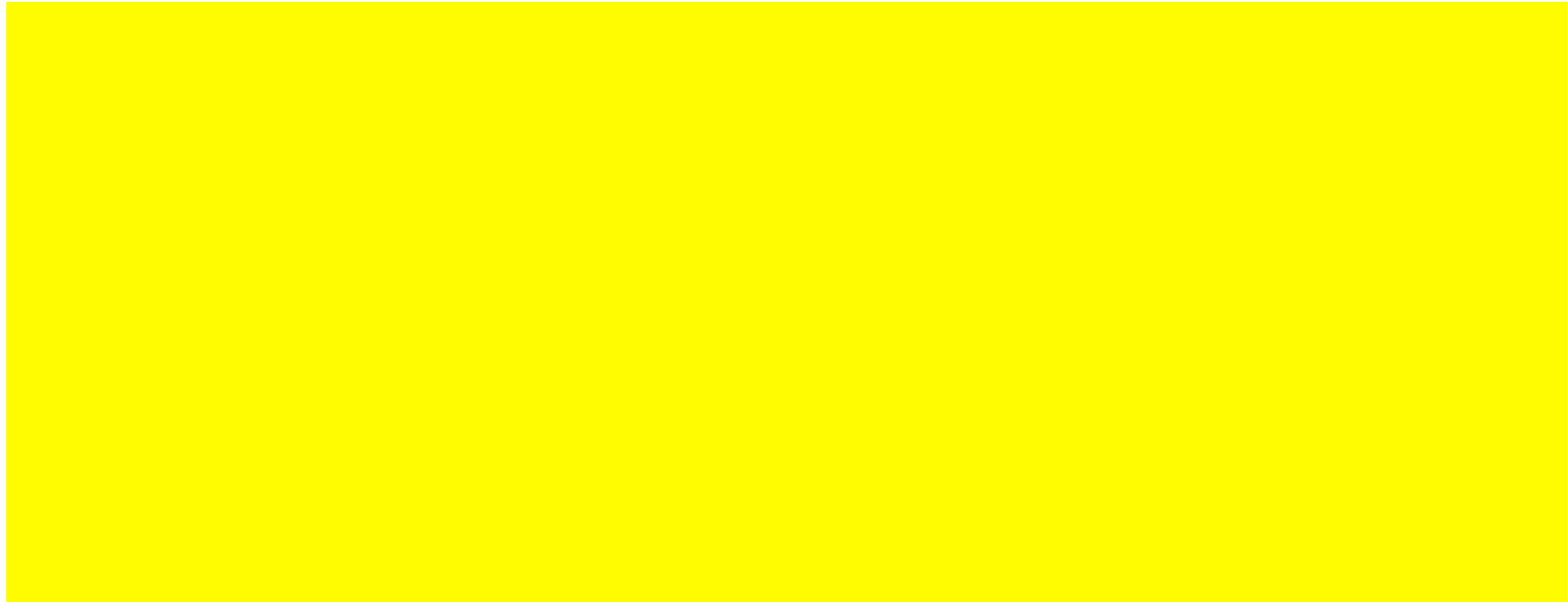
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if in particular, A is n -generated then we can assume A to be **equal to** the image of an idempotent endomorphism ∂ of the free n -generator K -algebra F_n .

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Problem c. For each $i=1,2,\dots$ does there exist algebras A_i such that the number of idempotent endomorphisms of F_n onto A_i is finite and $> i$?

THIRD PROBLEM:

which algebras in your
class K are **hopfian** ?

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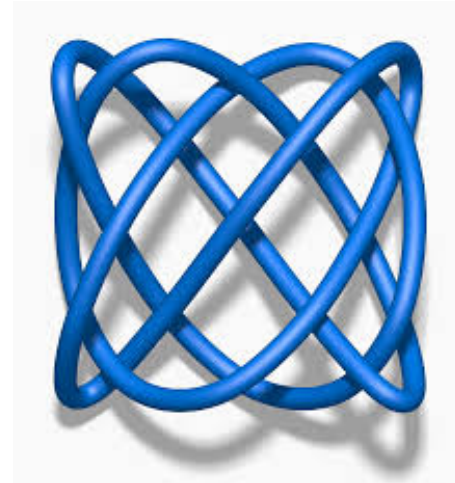
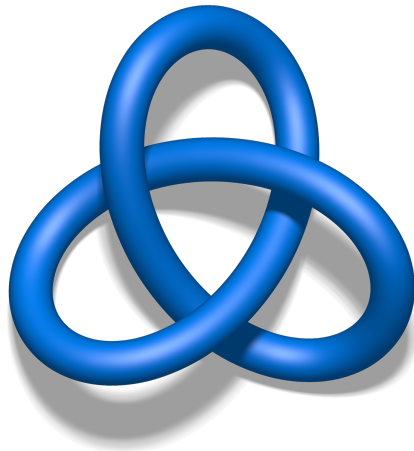
*in the spirit of Monteiro's study of
extensions of the Stone theorem, connecting
algebra and topology*

we start from the recognition problem for
combinatorial manifolds

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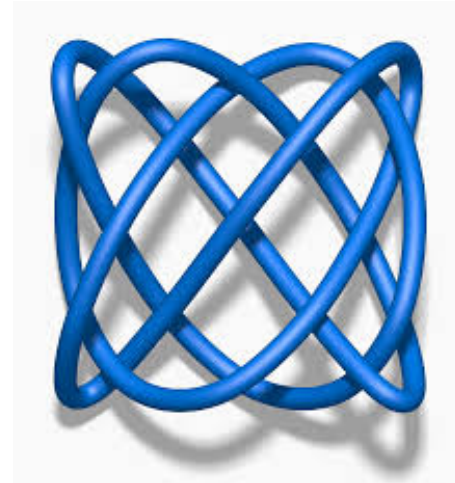
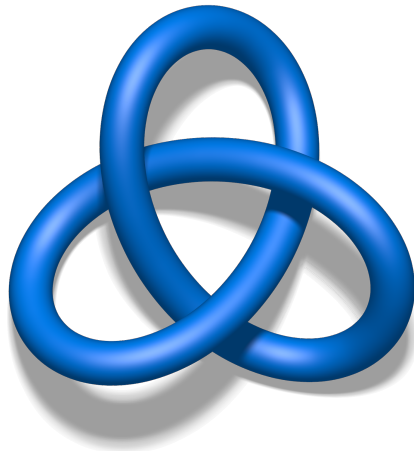
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for this problem to make computational sense in general, the two combinatorial manifolds must be (triangulated and) presented to the computer as strings of symbols.

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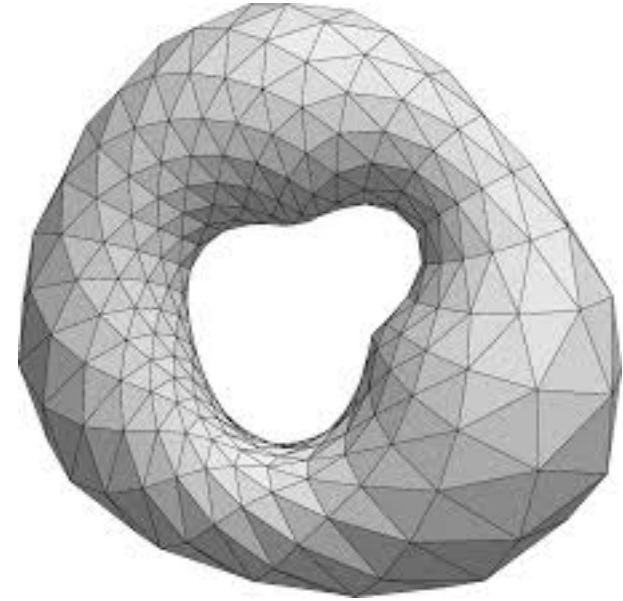
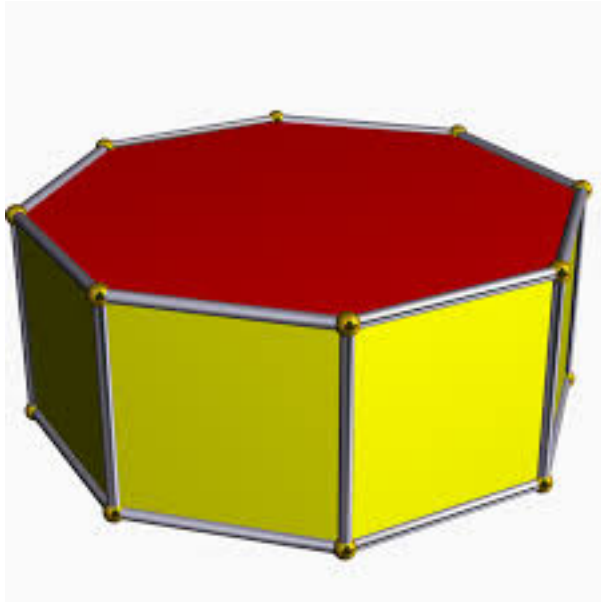
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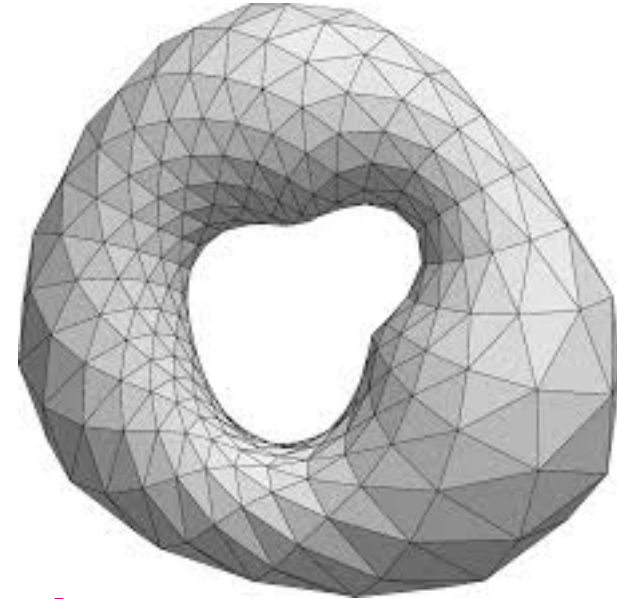
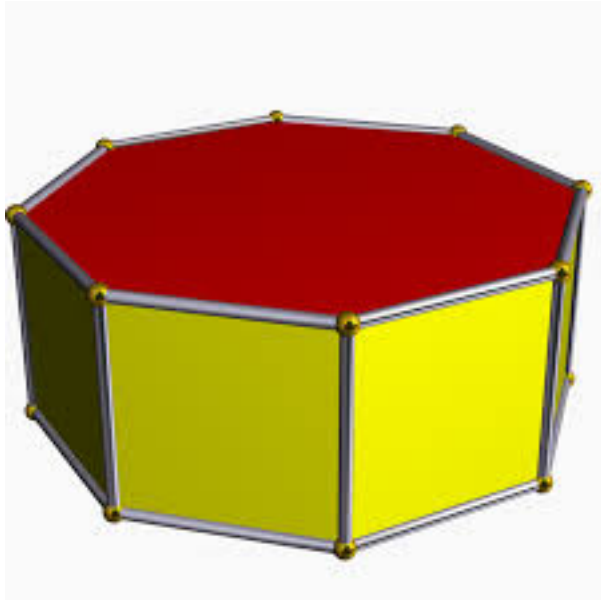
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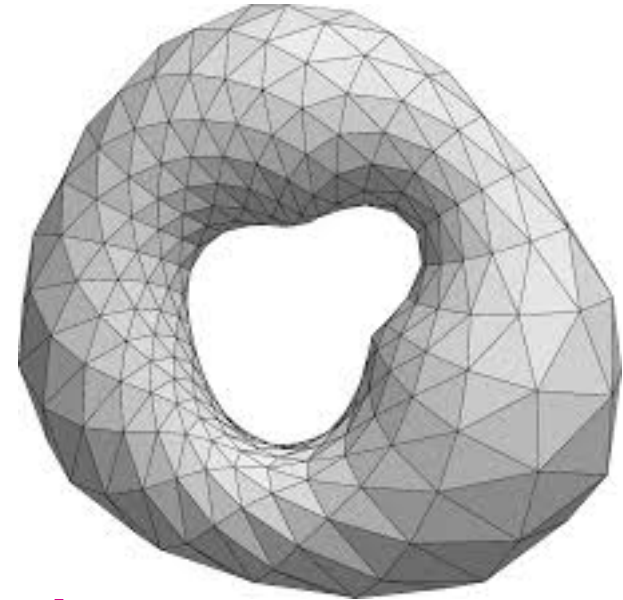
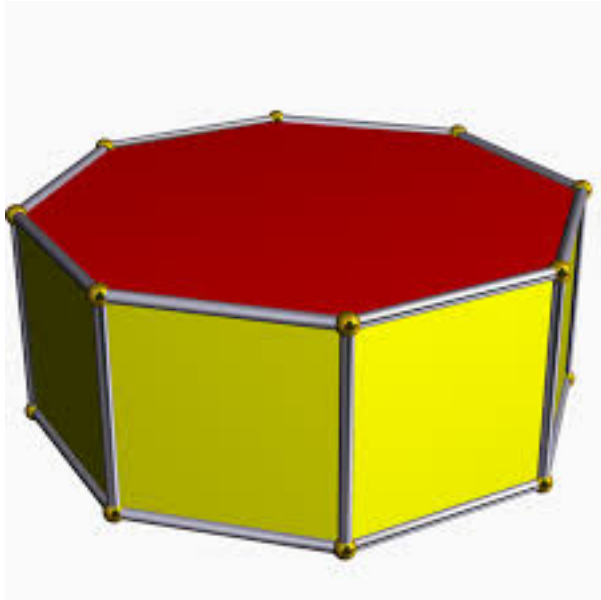


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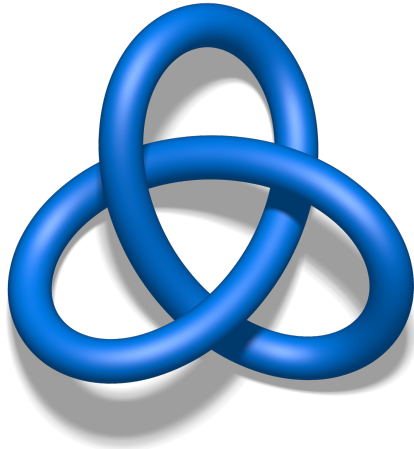
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P is said to be **rational** if the vertices of each simplex S_i can be assumed to have rational coordinates

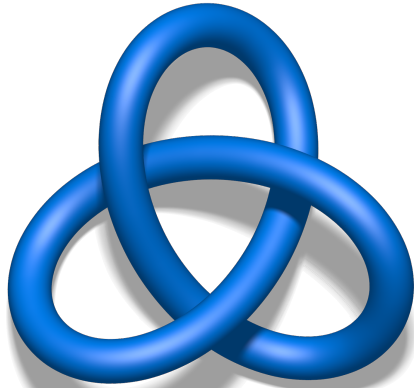
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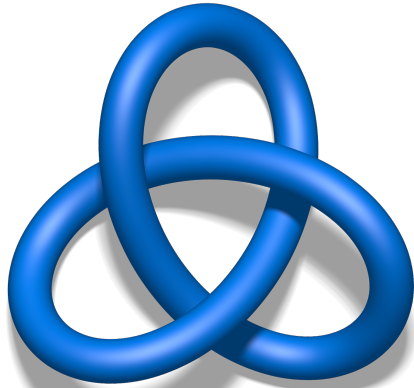


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the problem is: how to **certify pairs of rational polyhedra which are not rationally PL-homeomorphic?**

A FUNDAMENTAL THEOREM

THEOREM (Markov, 1958)

Manifolds are not recognizable by Turing machines.

Thus there is no effective procedure to attach numerical invariants to rational polyhedra P , Q , so that P and Q are rationally PL-homeomorphic precisely when they have the same invariants.

a corollary of Baker-Beynon duality

THEOREM (Baker-Beynon duality) *The category of rational polyhedra in euclidean space with arrows consisting of **rational** piecewise linear maps is dually equivalent to the category of finitely presented lattice-ordered abelian groups (*l*-groups).*

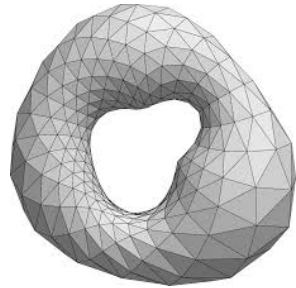
COROLLARY OF MARKOV THEOREM + DUALITY
(Glass-Madden)

*The isomorphism problem for finitely presented *l*-groups is undecidable.*

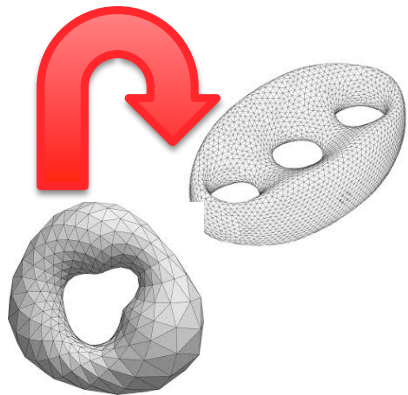
other possible categories of rational polyhedra can be considered, proceeding as in the transition from a topological space X to the algebra $C(X)$ of continuous real, or complex functions defined over X

and, more importantly for our purposes here, also in the spirit of Stone's and Monteiro's analysis of the map $X \rightarrow L(X)$ from topological spaces X to suitable lattices $L(X)$ associated to X

natural desiderata for a polyhedral category



OBJECTS: our polyhedra must be equipped with rational triangulations, so that we can make computations

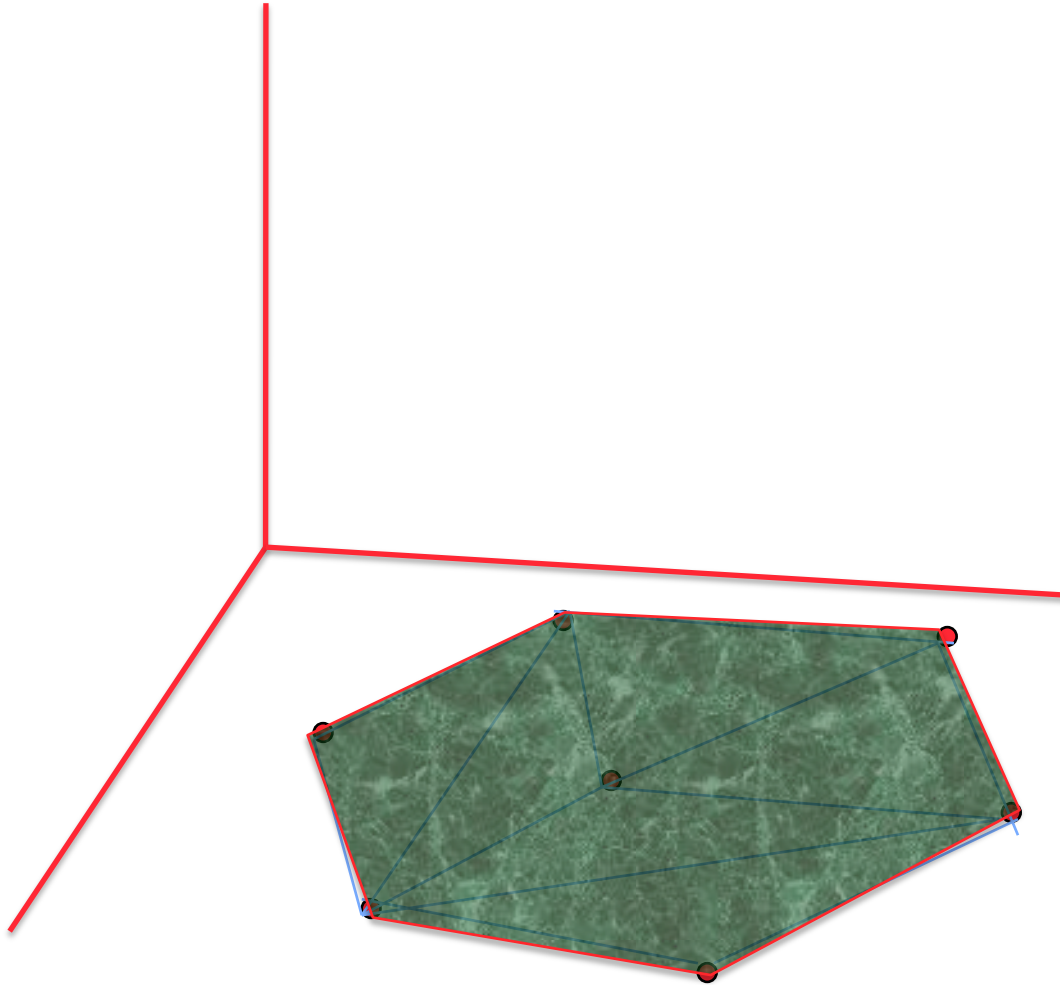


ARROWS: morphisms should be continuous functions whose graph is also a rational polyhedron, so that a morphism preserves both polyhedrality and rationality

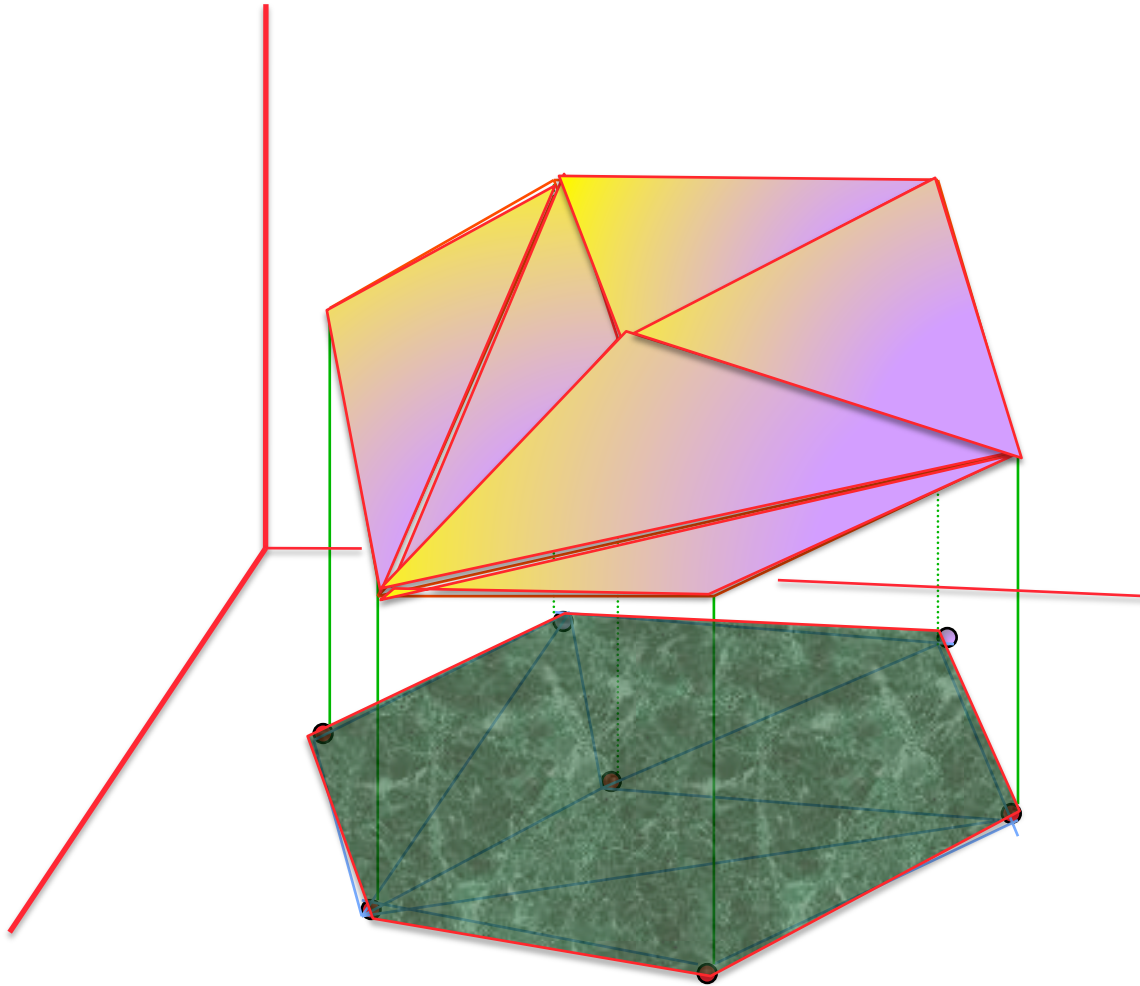
RATIONAL PWL thus our $L(X)$ must be, at least, lattices of continuous piecewise linear functions with rational coefficients

there are various possibilities...

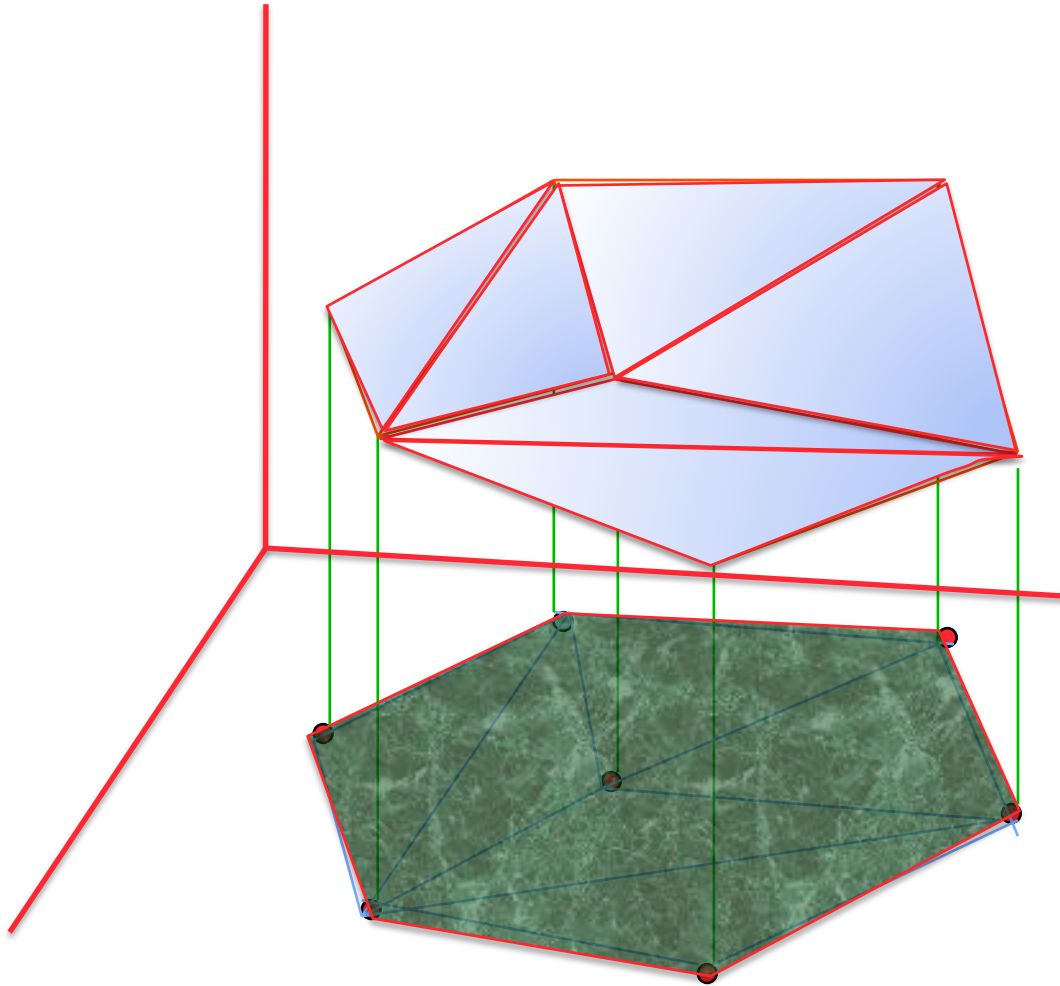
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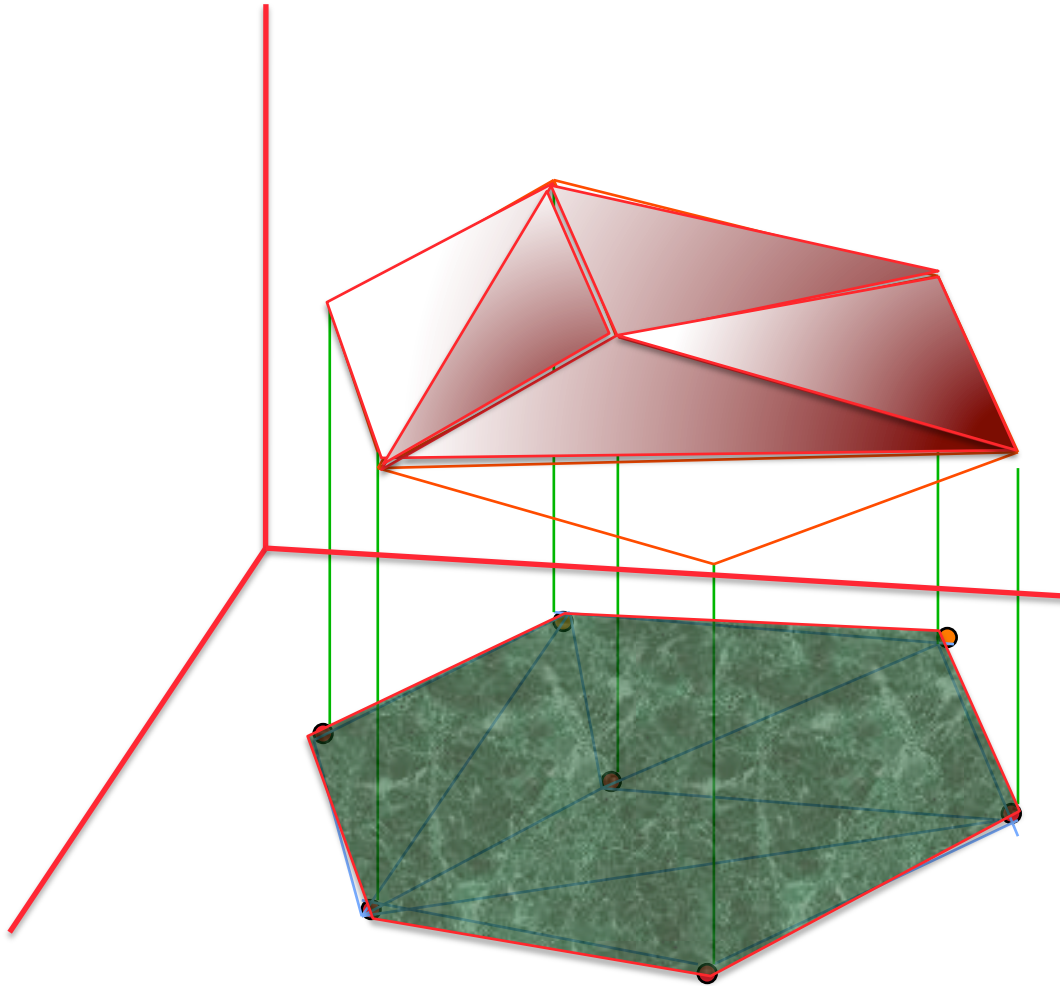
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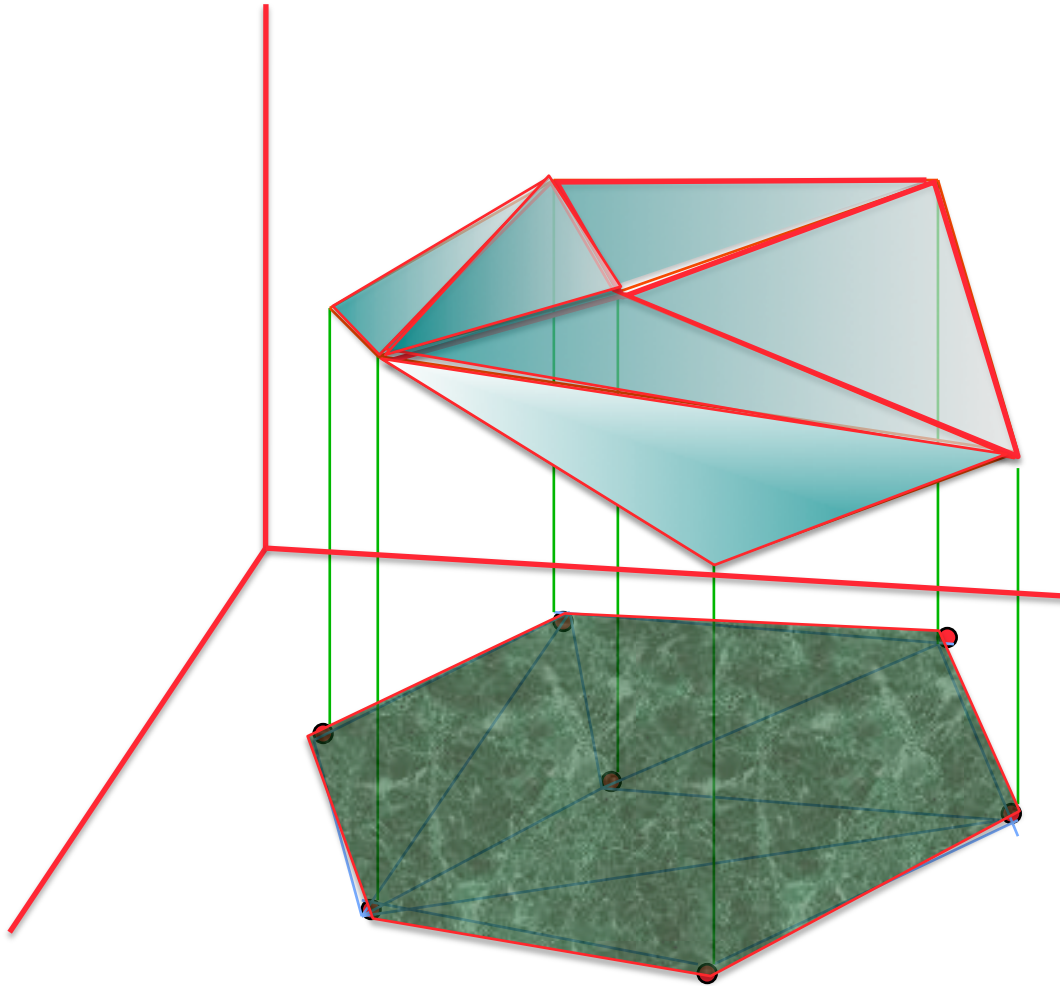
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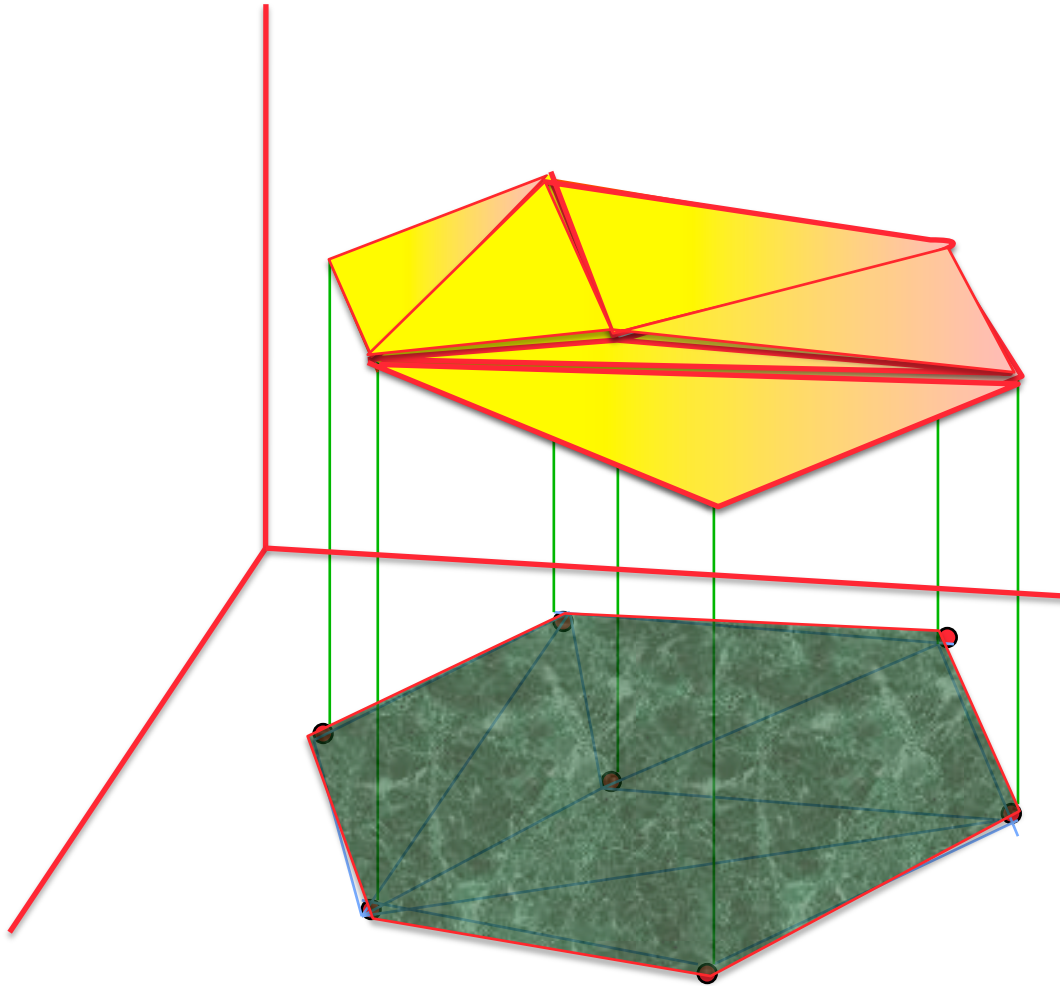
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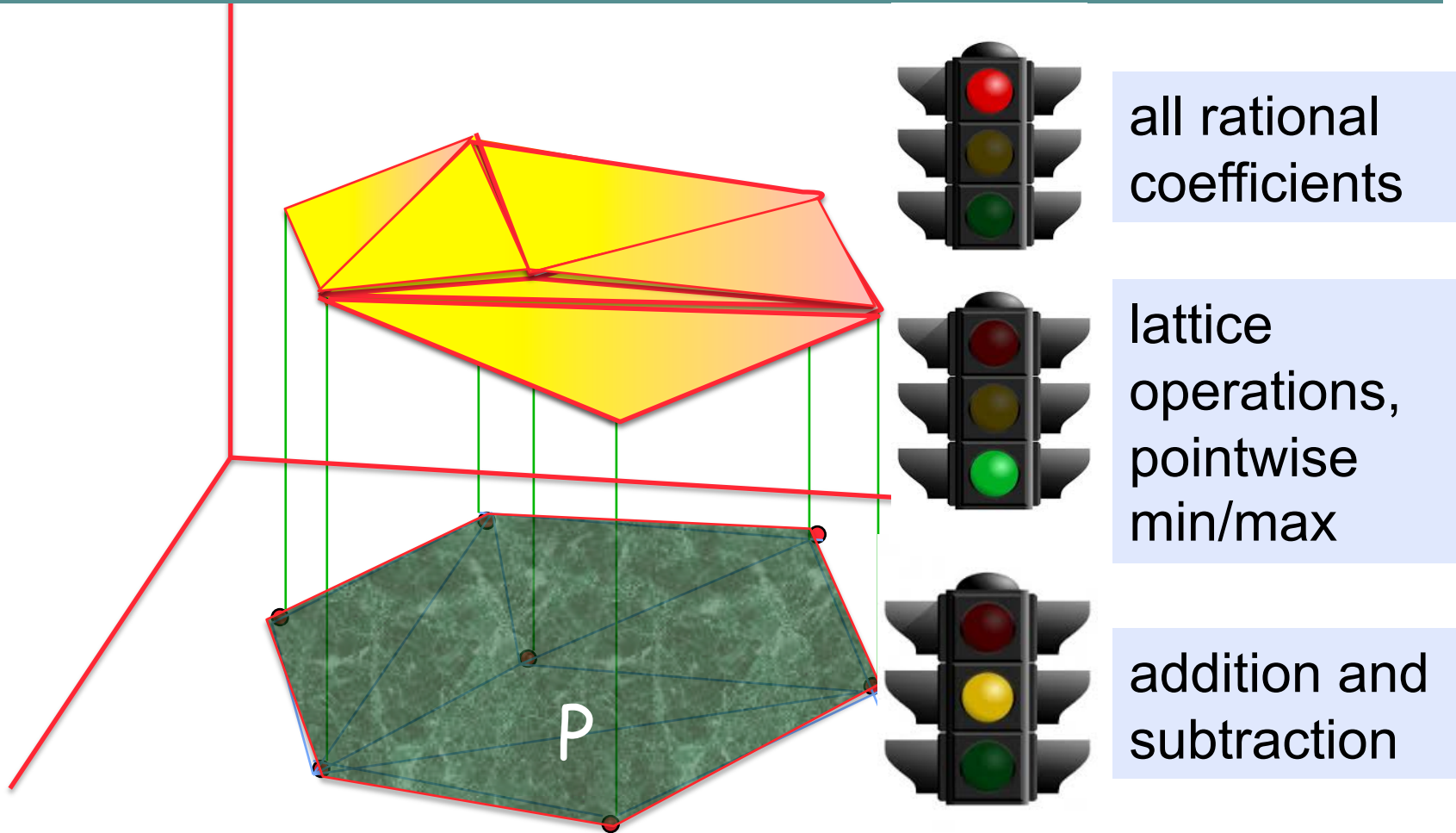
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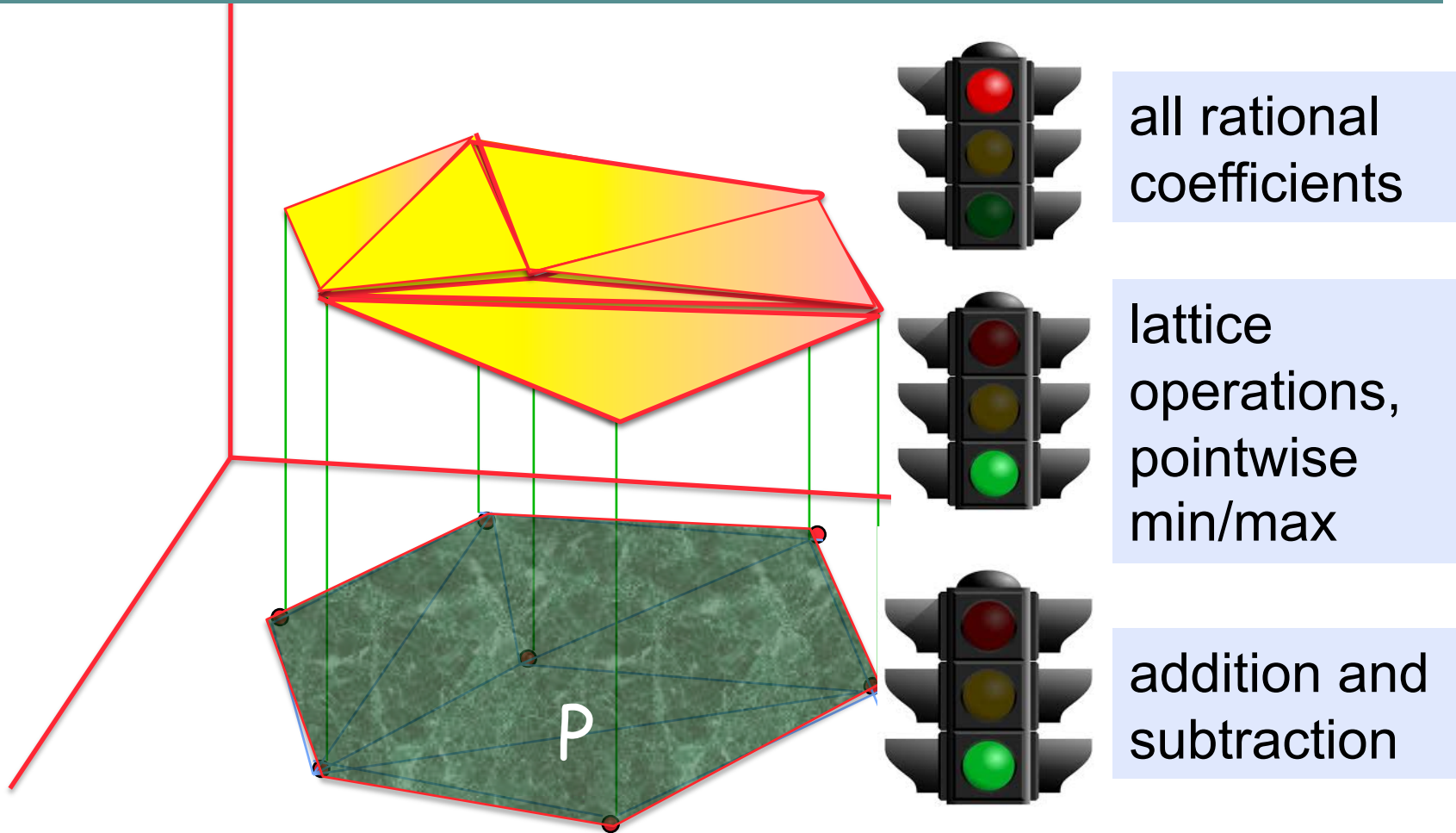
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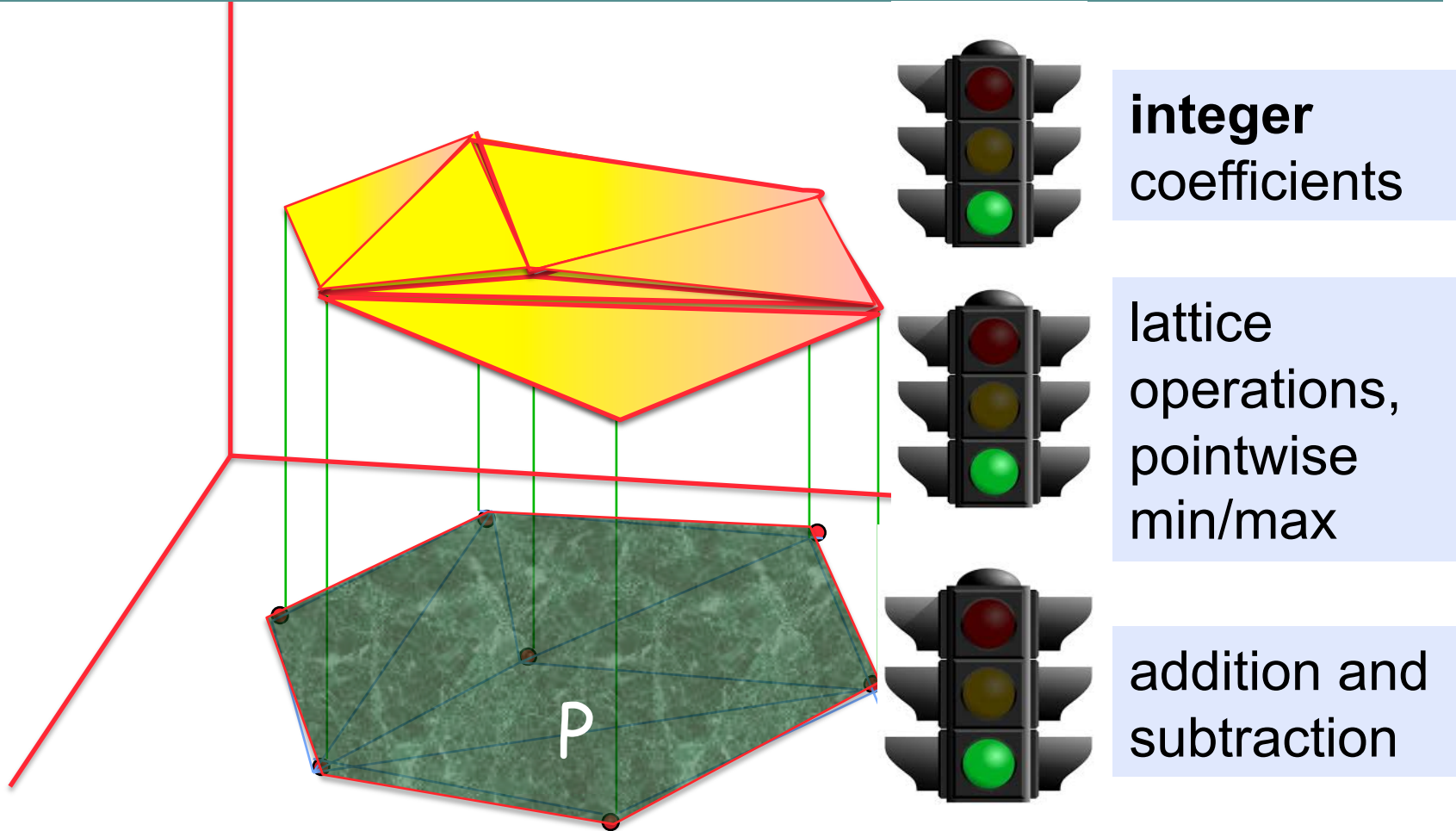
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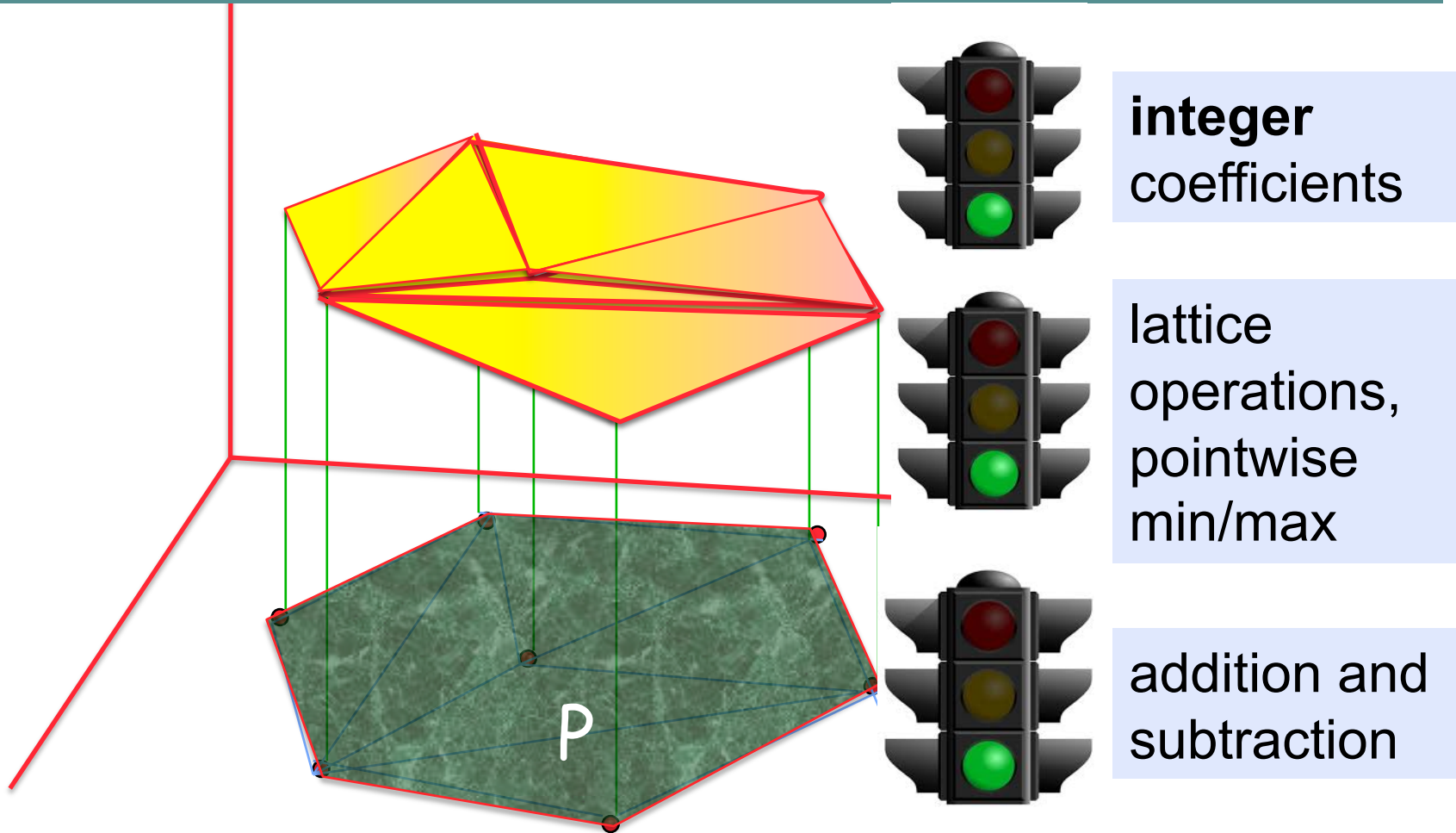
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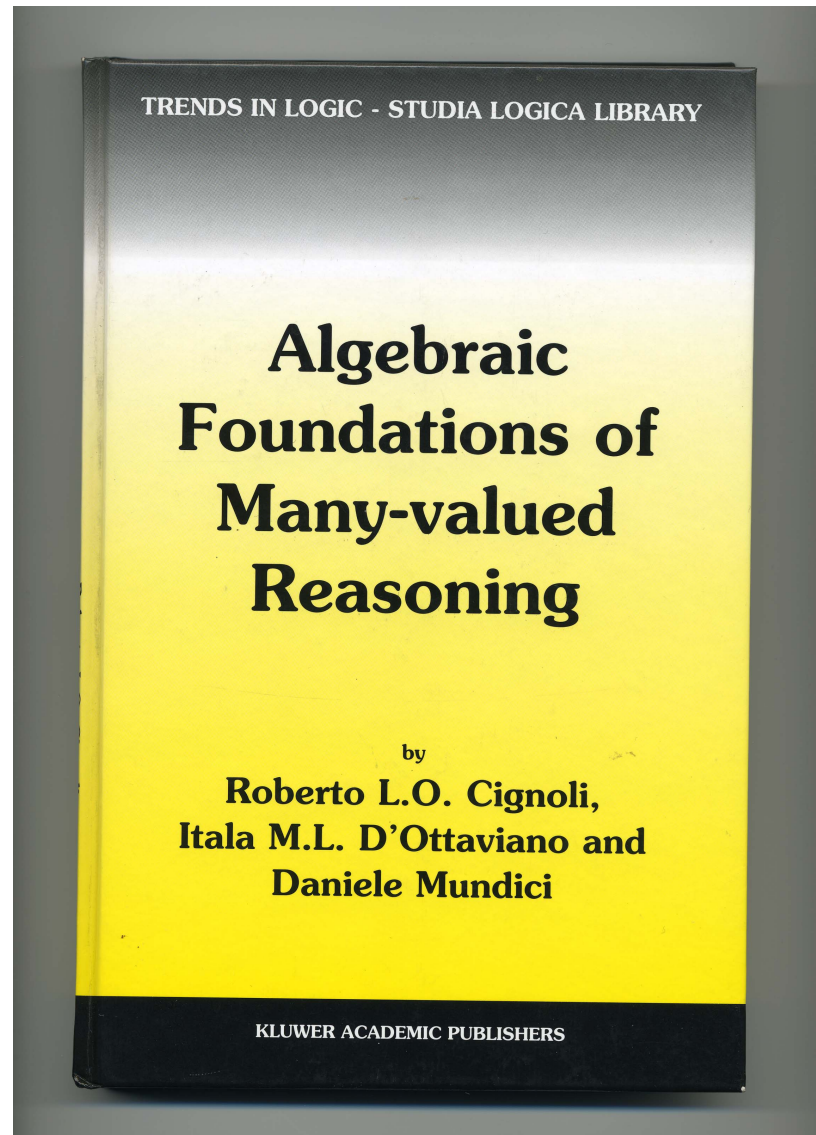


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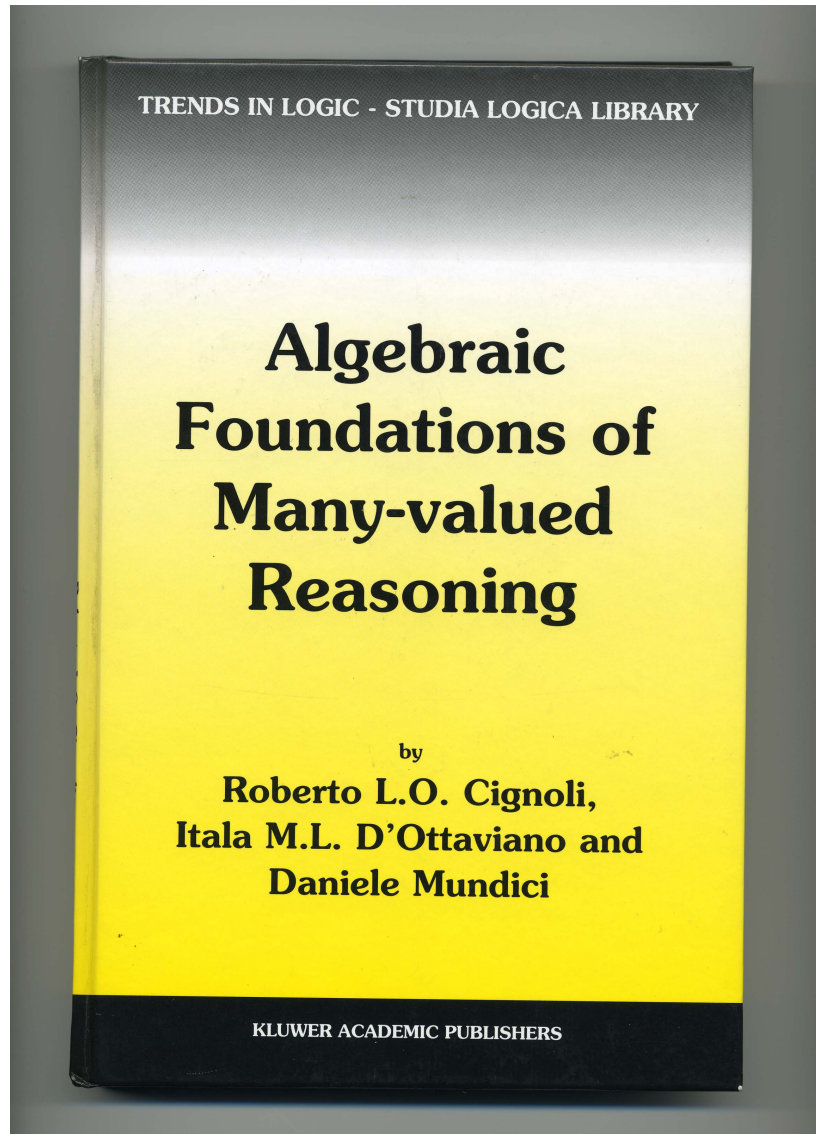
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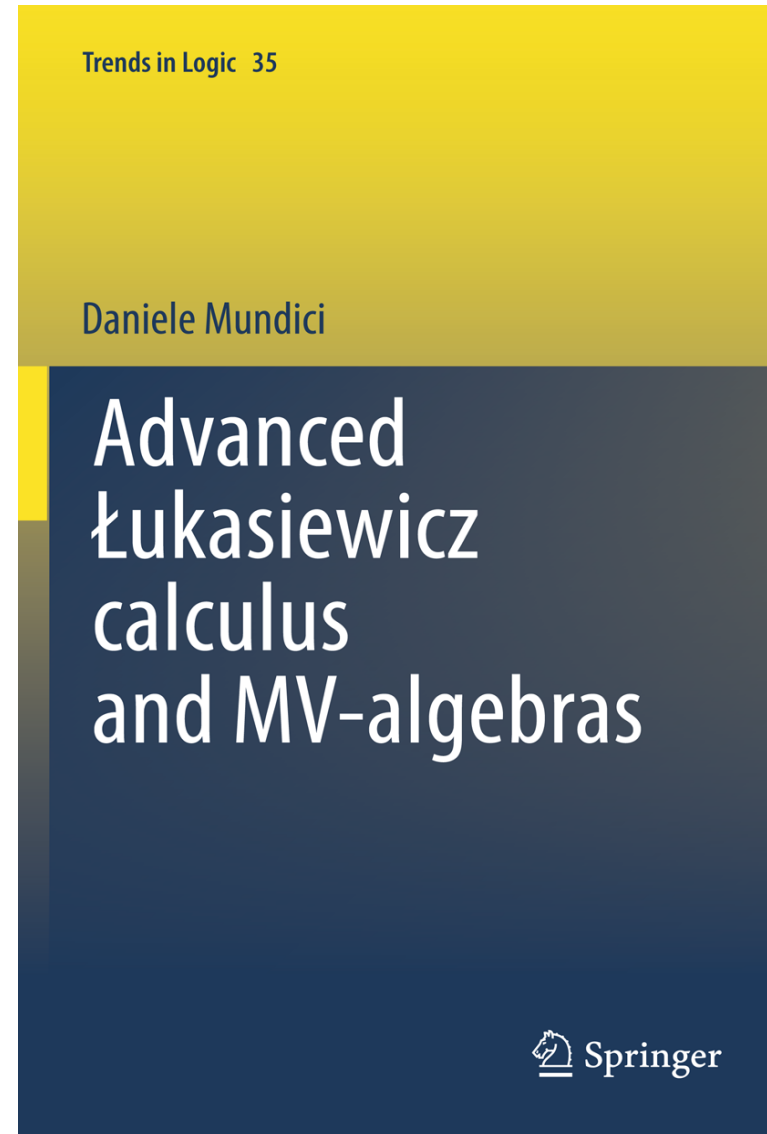
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COROLLARY *The map $P \rightarrow \mathfrak{M}(P)$ is a duality between rational polyhedra with **integer** piecewise linear $[0,1]$ -valued maps (called **Z**-maps), and finitely presented MV-algebras.*

A wealth of new invariants

Differently from polyhedra, **rational** polyhedra P with \mathbf{Z} -maps possess many new invariants under \mathbf{Z} -homeomorphism:

- the number n_d of points of denominator d lying in P (these n_d yield infinitely many computable invariants for P)
- the smallest number of elements in a basis of $\mathfrak{M}(P)$
- the rational volume of P
- the number of idempotent endomorphisms of F_n onto $\mathfrak{M}(P)$

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a disanalogy between analogies

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paralleling the Baker-Beynon duality:

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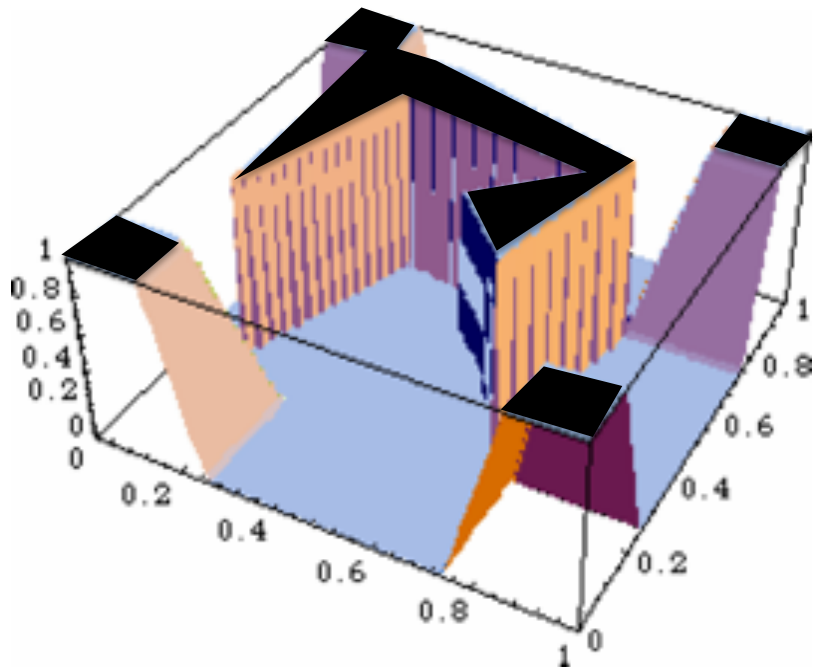
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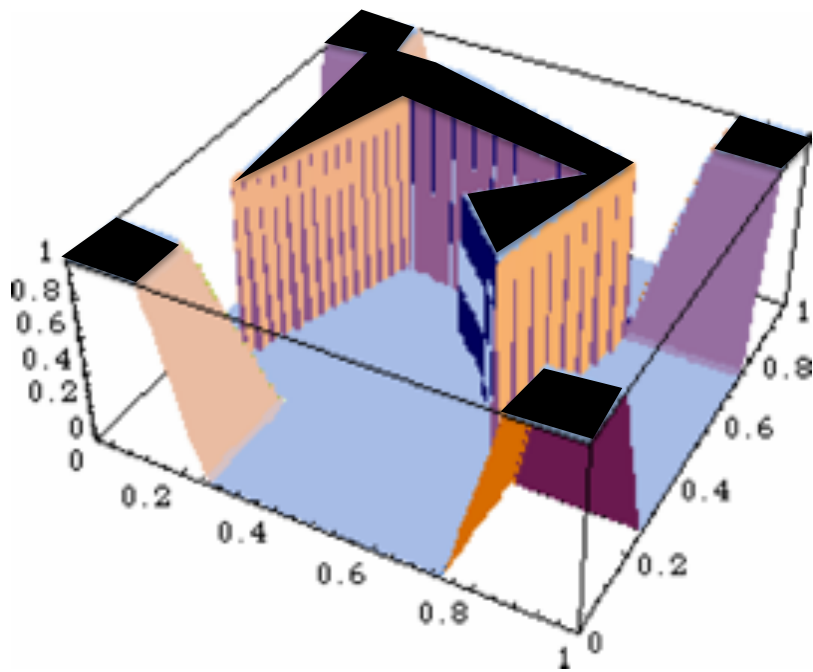
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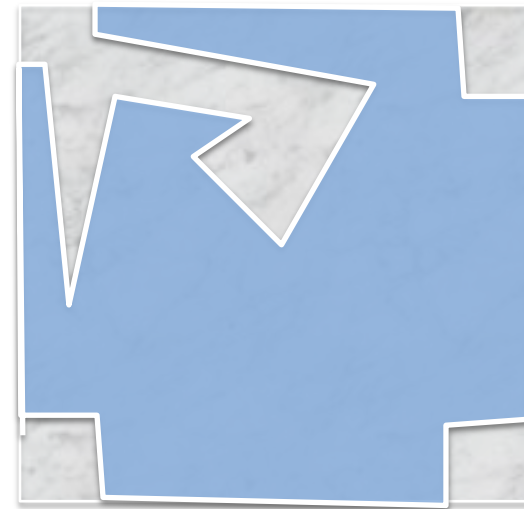


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this duality casts a new
light on projectives,
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APPLICATIONS 1:

Jónsson Tarski for ℓ -
groups via polyhedra

the Jónsson-Tarski theorem (repeated)

THEOREM *Let K be a class of algebras such that every equation which is satisfied in all finite algebras of K is also satisfied in all algebras of K .*

Then for any algebra $A \in K$ having a free generating set of n elements, every generating set of A with n elements is a free generating set of A .

COROLLARY *Every n -element generating set of the free n -generator MV-algebra \mathfrak{M}_n freely generates \mathfrak{M}_n .*

PROOF. Indeed, for any equation $t(y_1, \dots, y_n) = 0$ that fails in some MV-algebra, the proof of Chang's completeness theorem yields a finite MV-algebra where the equation fails. Now apply the Jónsson-Tarski theorem.

for l -groups we need much more...

THEOREM (D.M., Forum Mathematicum, 2017)

Any generating set $\{g_1, \dots, g_n\}$ of the free n -generator abelian l -group freely generates it.

REMARK A direct proof from the Jónsson-Tarski and residual finiteness theorem is not available, because the only finite l -group is the trivial singleton $\{0\}$. The proof is geometrical, using the Baker-Beynon duality.

APPLICATIONS 2

(D.M., Forum Math. 2016):

hopficity in MV-
algebras and ℓ -groups

algebraic-topological theorems (A.Monteiro)

X is a normal space iff each prime filter of $L(X)$ is contained in a unique maximal filter.

In the lattice \mathbf{Z} of integers with divisibility, this property is obvious because prime filters correspond to prime powers, and maximal filters to prime numbers.

***STRONGER PROPERTY:** X is a completely normal (also known as hereditarily normal) space if and only if for any prime filter P of $L(X)$, the set of filters F of $L(X)$ such that $P \subseteq F$ is totally ordered by inclusion.*

in the spirit of A. Monteiro

Theorem (D.M., Forum Mathematicum, 2016)

For any finitely generated MV-algebra A the following conditions are equivalent:

(i) A is residually finite.

(ii) A is semisimple and its maximal ideals of finite rank form a dense subset of its maximal spectral space $\mu(A)$.

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Corollary *Any finitely presented, as well as any finitely generated projective unital l -group (G, u) is hopfian.*

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(i) simple unital l -groups.

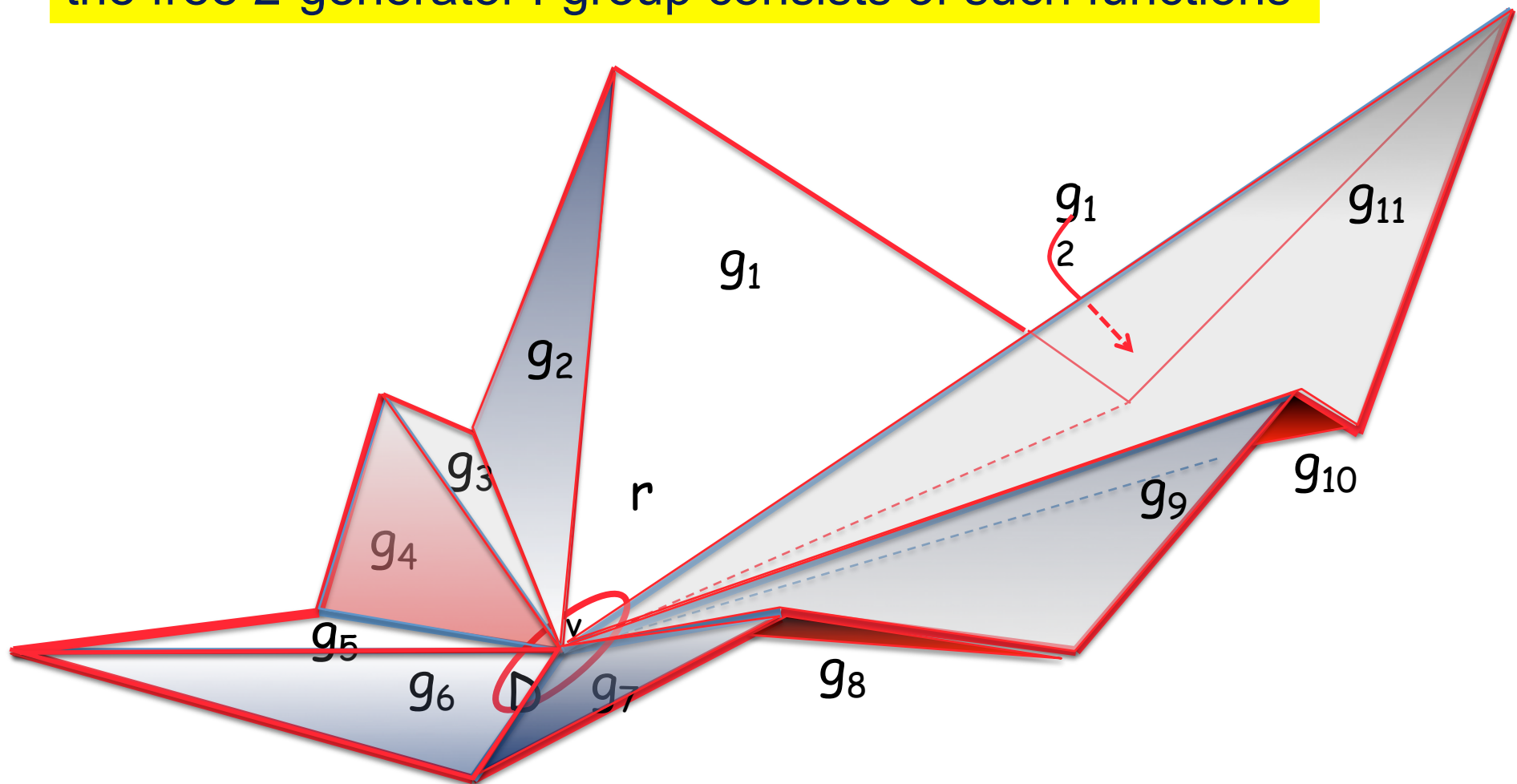
(ii) finitely generated unital l -groups with finitely many prime ideals.

Corollary *Let (G, u) be a semisimple unital l -group. If its maximal spectral space is a manifold without boundary, then (G, u) is hopfian.*

Corollary *For all $n = 1, 2, \dots$, the free n -generator l -group is hopfian*

a piecewise linear homogeneous
function on \mathbb{R}^2 with integer coefficients

the free 2-generator l-group consists of such functions



APPLICATIONS 3

(D.M., Forum Math. 2016):

decidable and undecidable
recognition problems for free
generating sets of l -groups

A constant that one can perceive through the whole mathematical work done by Monteiro is his preference for the finitistic methods, that allow concrete constructions and algorithms. This tendency is already noticeable in his doctoral thesis, a long part of which is dedicated to finite matrices, as used to approximate the kernels of integral equations. When considering a new class of algebras, it was a basic question for him to decide if the finitely generated free algebras were finite, and if so, to find explicitly the number of their elements as a function of the number of generators. In general, to achieve this goal it is necessary to have a deep understanding of the structure of the algebras in the given class.

R. Cignoli: Actas del IX Congreso Dr. Antonio Monteiro, 2007, pp.3-8

4 decision problems for K (repeated)

Let K be an equational class of algebras and F_n the free n -generator K -algebra.

For any set t_1, \dots, t_n of K -terms, all in the same variables X_1, \dots, X_n , let t'_1, \dots, t'_n be their respective interpretations as elements of F_n .

Consider the following **decision problems**:

- 1: Does $\{t'_1, \dots, t'_n\}$ generate F_n ?
- 2: Does $\{t'_1, \dots, t'_n\}$ freely generate F_n ?
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a negative result for l-groups

THEOREM *The following problem is undecidable:*

*INSTANCE : l-group terms t_1, \dots, t_n in the same variables x_1, \dots, x_m ,
and an integer $k > 0$.*

*QUESTION : Is the l-group generated by t'_1, \dots, t'_n isomorphic to the
free abelian l-group A_k ?*

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APPLICATIONS 4

(L.M. CABRER, arXiv 1405.7118, and
L. CABRER, D.M., Communications in
Contemporary Mathematics, 2012):

projective MV-algebras

The integers \mathbf{Z} form a lattice when ordered by divisibility. The meet of two numbers is their greatest common divisor, and the join is their smallest common multiple. The filters of \mathbf{Z} as a lattice are precisely the ideals of \mathbf{Z} as a ring.

The maximal filters are the sets of multiples of prime numbers and the prime filters are the sets of multiples of prime powers.

The basic arithmetic properties of \mathbf{Z} can be expressed in terms of filters. For instance, the decomposition of an integer into prime factors is equivalent to the fact that each filter in the lattice \mathbf{Z} is a finite intersection of prime filters.

Thus lattices can be considered as generalization of the integers, and the study of the properties of the filters of a lattice can be considered as an “arithmetic” for this lattice.

This was Monteiro’s point of view.

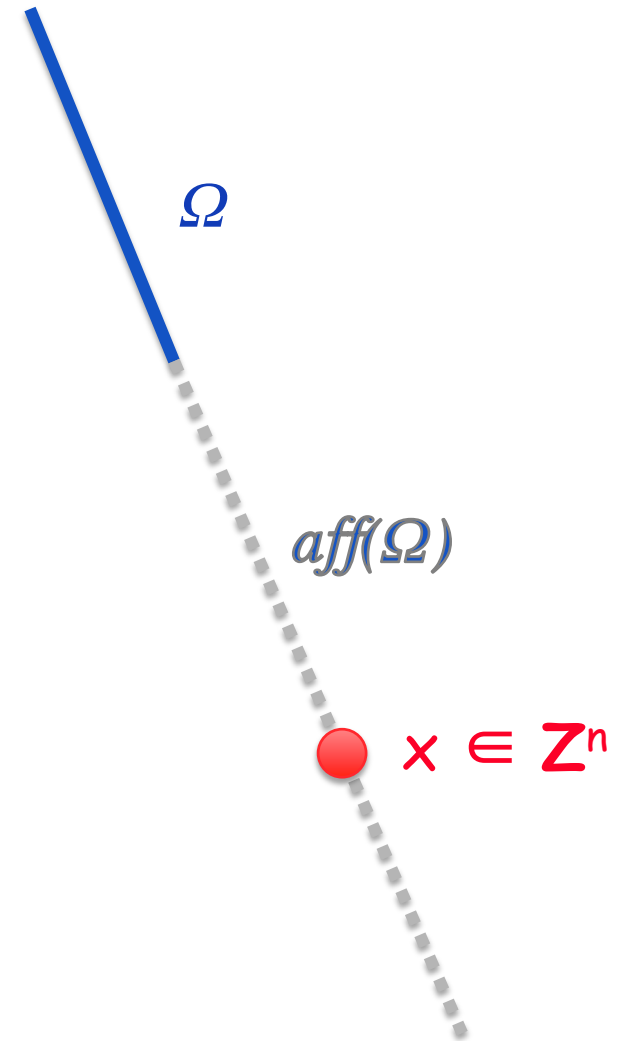
For instance Monteiro proved that a lattice is distributive if and only if every proper filter is an intersection of prime filters. Hence distributive lattices are those in which the analogue of the factorization of an integer holds.

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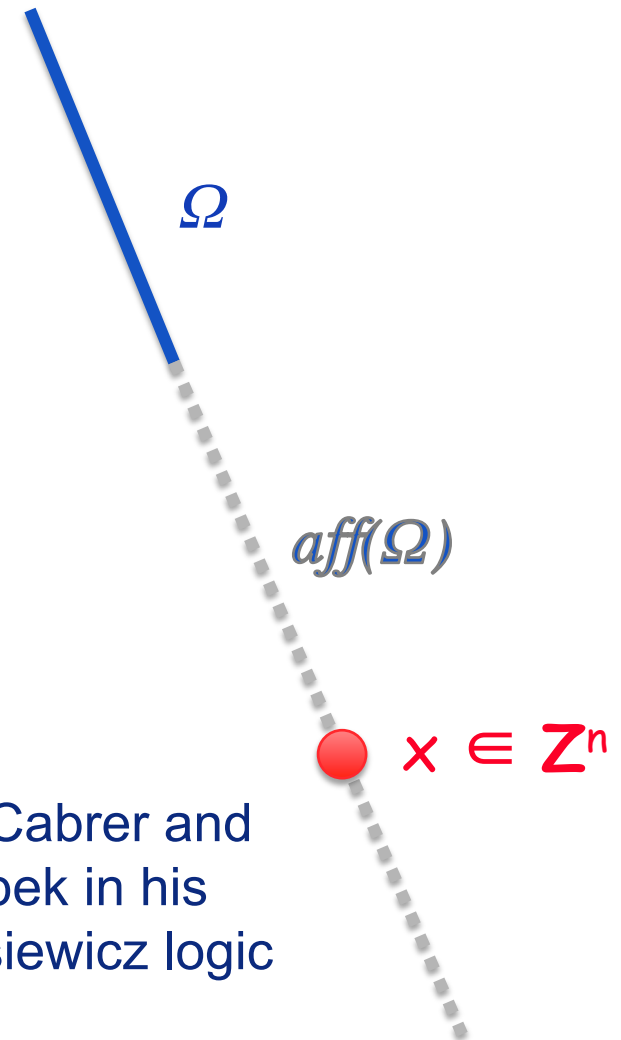
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The **converse of this theorem** has been proved by L.M.CABRER.

See his paper in arXiv 1405.7118

A deep theorem and a tour de force in arithmetic algebraic topology

revisiting our three initial
problems on retractions
of free MV-algebras:

(L.M.Cabrera, D.M., Annals of Pure
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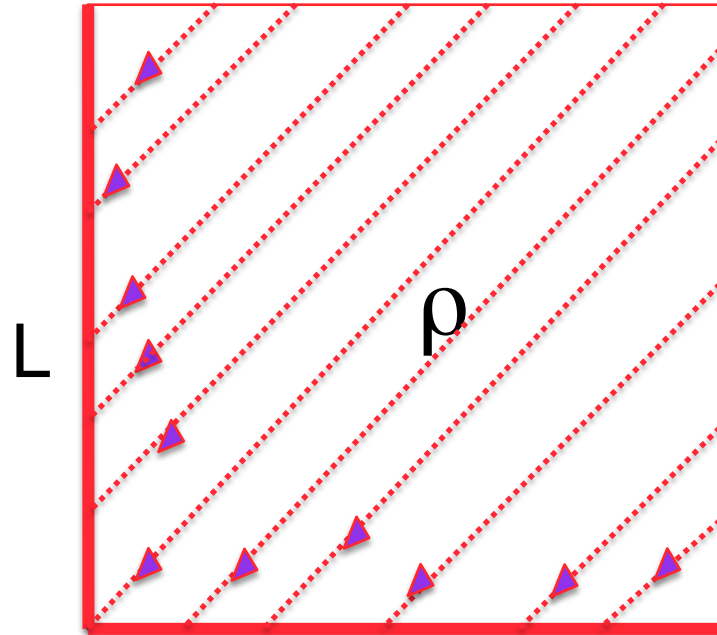
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algebra meets topology: in the spirit of A.Monteiro

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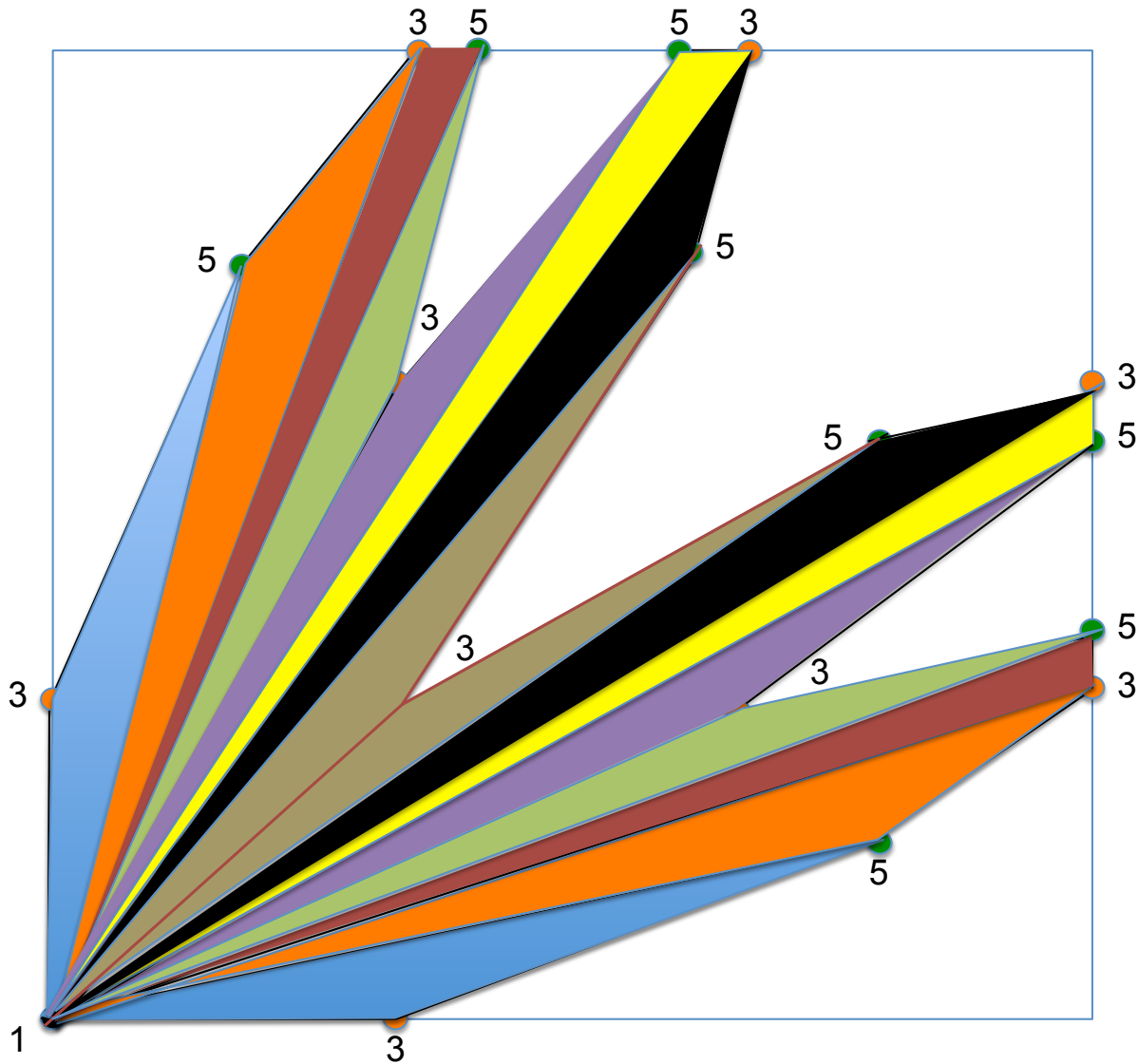
The MV-algebra $\mathfrak{M}(L)$, with L the red region above.
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beyond algebraic logic

Riesz spaces: Cabrer, Di Nola, Leustean

Differential geometry: Busaniche, Cabrer

Semirings, tropical and idempotent mathematics: Di Nola

Interval Algebras: Cabrer

Probability: Flaminio, Keimel, Montagna, Riečan

Games: Herzberg, Kroupa, Teheux

Multisets: Cignoli, Dubuc, Marra, Nganou

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Model-theory of Łukasiewicz logic: Caicedo

Proof-theory of Łukasiewicz logic: Cabrer, Jeràbek, Metcalfe

Modal logic, Belief: Kroupa, Godo, Teheux

Quantum structures: Dvurečenskij, Pulmannová

Polyhedral topology: Busaniche, Cabrer, Marra, Spada

Topological groups: H. Weber

Categories, Morita equivalence, coordinatization:

Caramello, Cignoli, Dubuc, Lawson, Marra, Poveda, Scott

thank you