

Multidimensional Farey summation algorithm and frieze patterns

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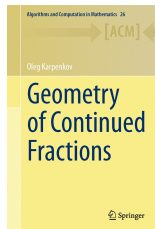
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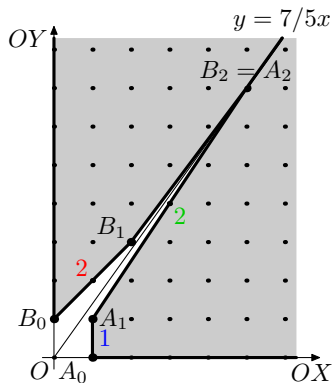
Proposition

Any rational number has a unique odd and even ordinary continued fractions.

Integer geometry

No slide on integer geometry.

Integer trigonometry (O.K. '08)



$$a_0 = \ell(A_0A_1) = 1;$$

$$a_1 = \ell(B_0B_1) = 2;$$

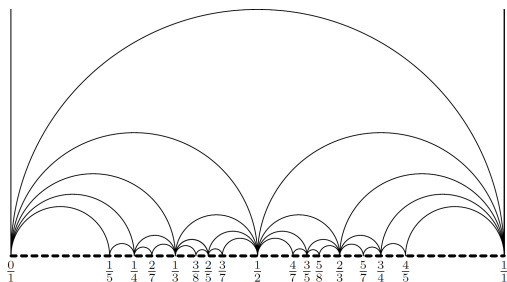
$$a_2 = \ell(A_1A_2) = 2.$$

$$7/5 = [1; 2 : 2].$$

$$\ell \tan \alpha = [a_0 : \dots : a_{2n}].$$

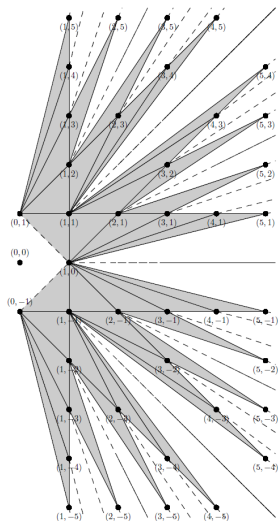
$$\ell \tan AOB = [1 : 2; 2] = \frac{7}{5} \implies \begin{cases} \ell \sin AOB = 7 \\ \ell \cos AOB = 5 \end{cases}$$

Boats and prismatic diagrams



Farey tessellation of \mathbb{H}^2 with chords

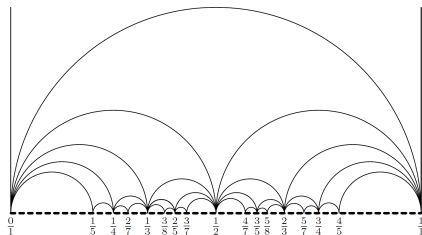
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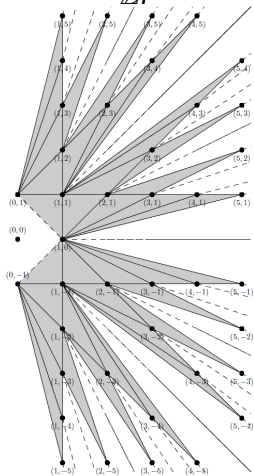
Disc bounded by the integer unit half-circle (or, even by $\mathbb{Z}P^1$) with chords

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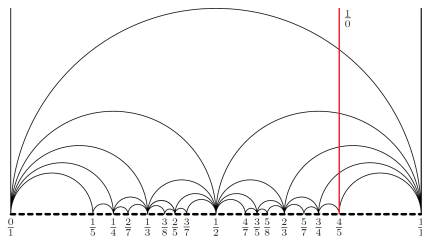
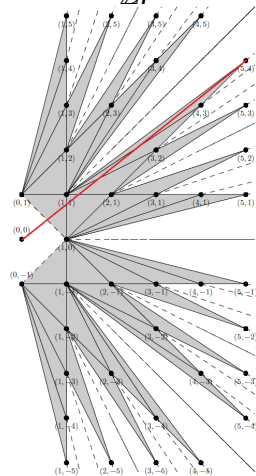
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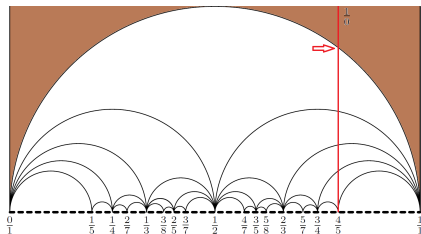


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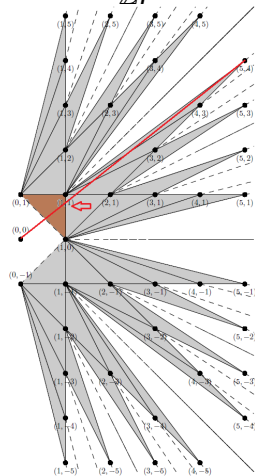
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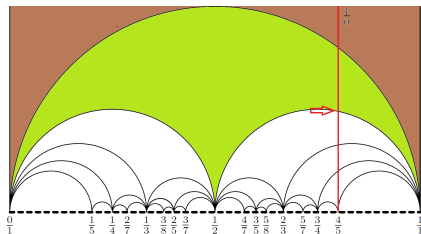


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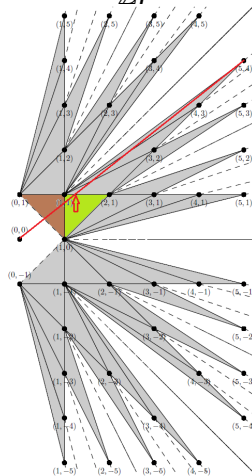


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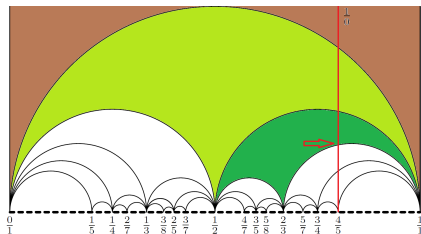


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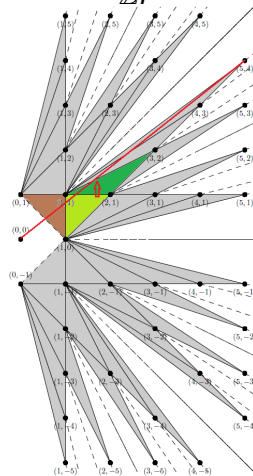


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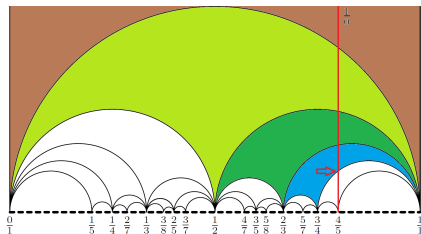


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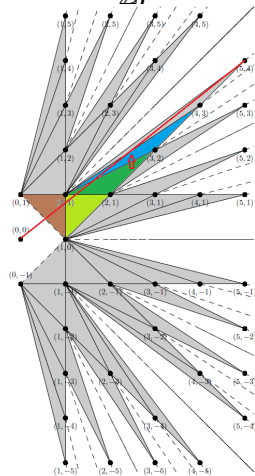


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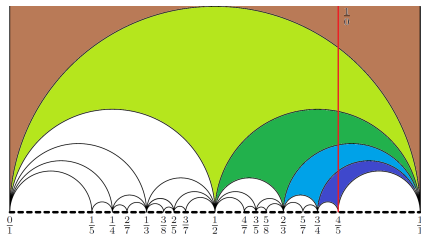


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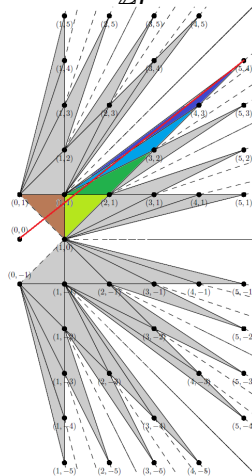


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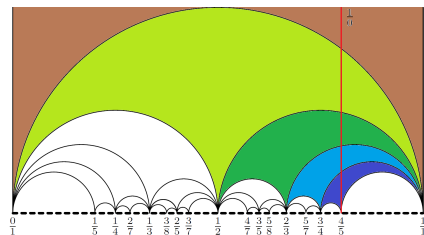
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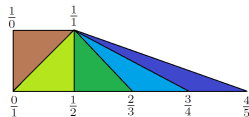
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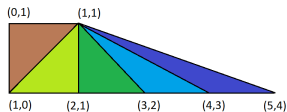
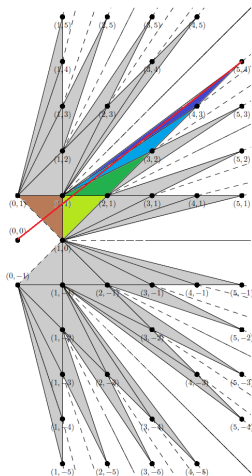
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Morier-Genoud—Ovsienko boat

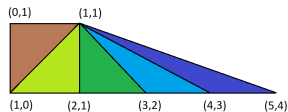
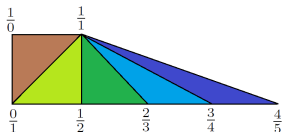
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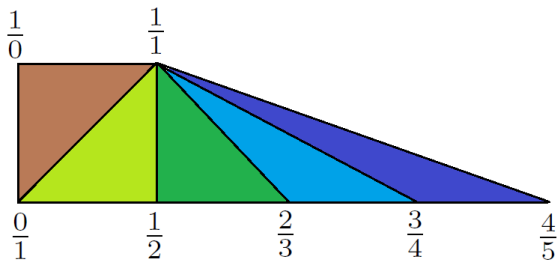
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Prismatic diagram

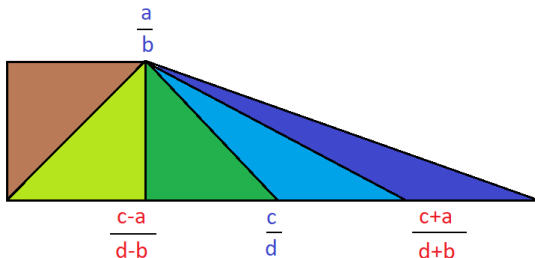
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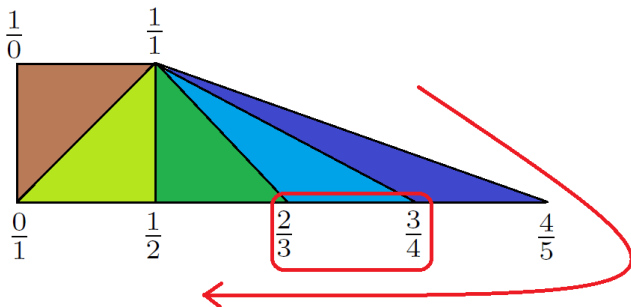


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A nice rule to write numbers (Farey summation)

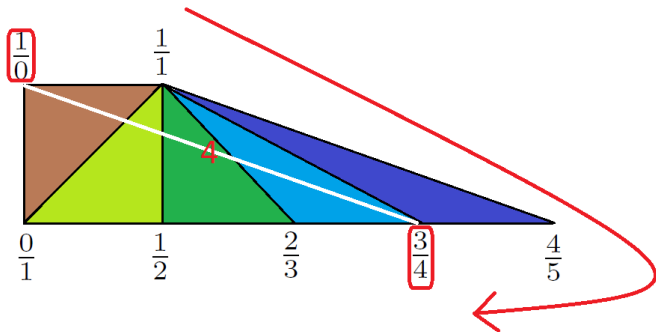
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Neighbours determinant 1:

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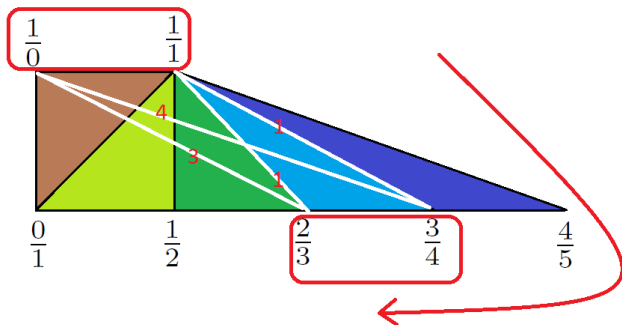
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λ -length are determinants (order is important)
In integer geometry these are integer sines.

$$\lambda(1/0, 3/4) = |\sin((1, 0)(0, 0)(3, 4))| = \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = 4$$

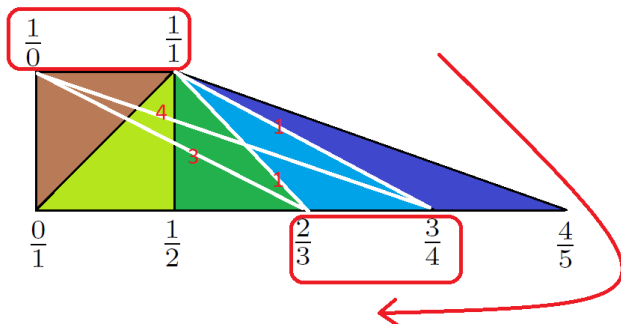
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Ptolemy relation for λ -lengths:

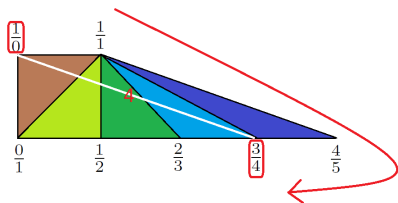
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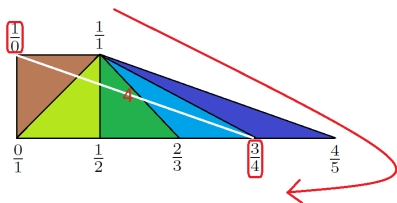
Frieze patterns are tables with λ -length for universal coverings of the boundary (multiplied by $(-1)^{\#\text{layers}}$ in between).

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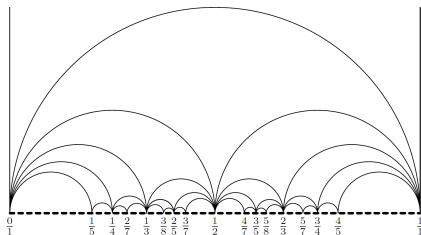
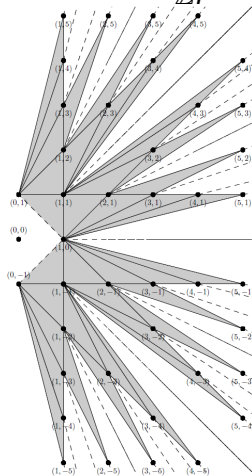
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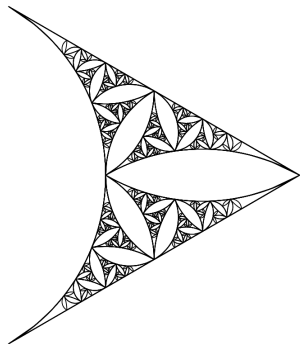
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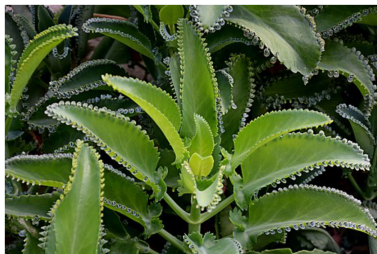
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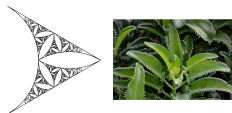
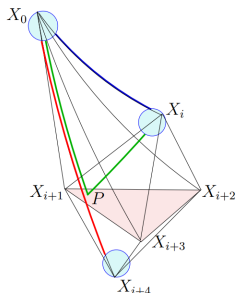
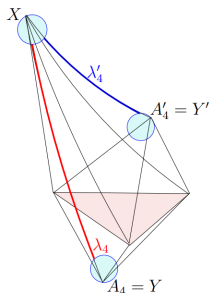
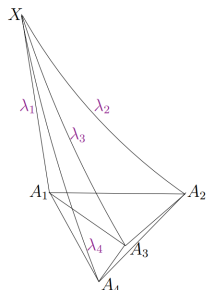


A. Pratoussevitch, OK (2017–2024) “Farey bryophylla”,
arXiv:2409.01621

Proper “Farey type partition” with LR maps. Classification of
maximal sets (on the absolute).

Too thin.

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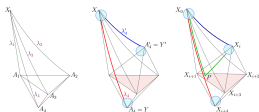
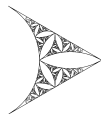
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A. Felikson, P. Tumarkin, Kh. Serhiyenko, OK (2022–2023) “3D Farey graph, lambda lengths and SL_2 -tilings”, arXiv:2306.17118
Quite a solid theory for Eisenstein integers (on the absolute)

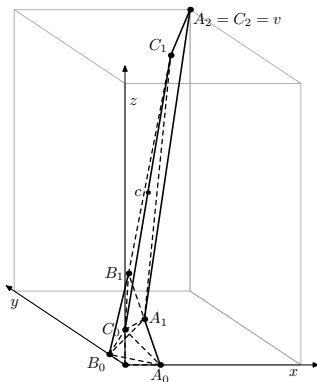
Too complex (\mathbb{C}), no combinatorial description.

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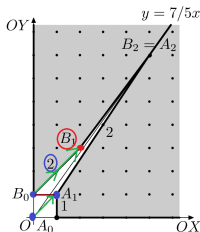
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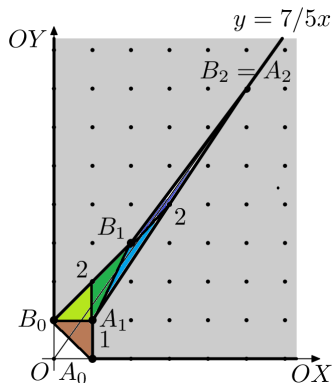
Stretching of noses is defined inversely

$$[a_1 : \dots : a_i] \rightarrow [a_1 : \dots : a_i : a_{i+1}]$$

(once you know a_i from Euclidean algorithm).



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Farrey summation algorithm: take all triangles in $\mathbb{Z}P^1$.
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Remark: There are many subtractive algorithms in 3D.

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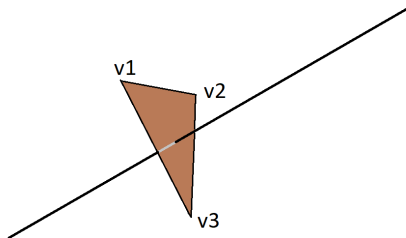
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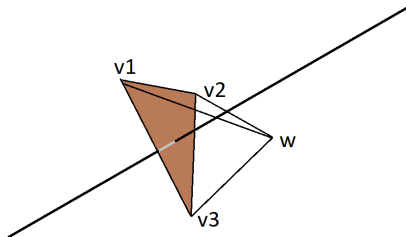


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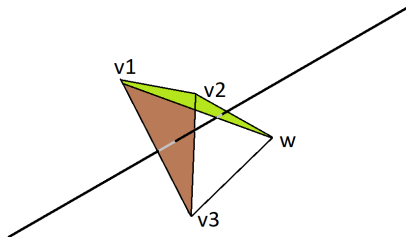


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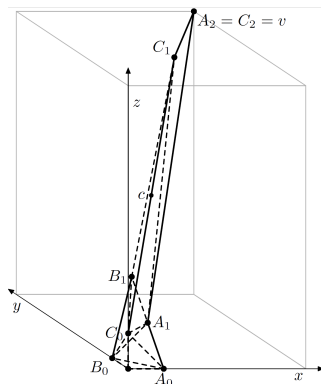
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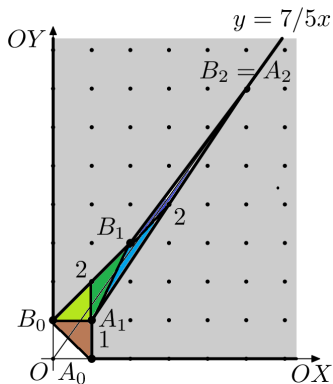
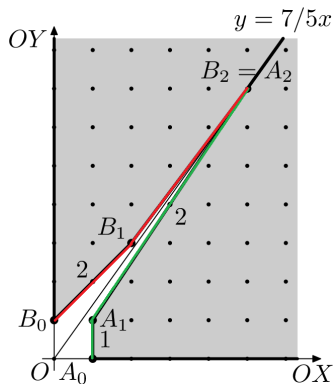
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Step: Given previous yard v_1, v_2, v_3 we set $w = v_1 \oplus v_2 \oplus v_3$ and consider w, v_i, v_j as the next yard:

Output:



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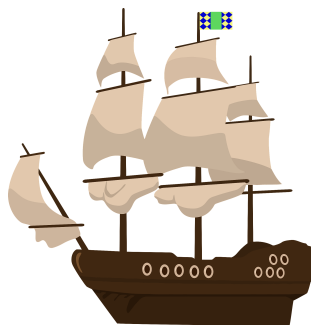
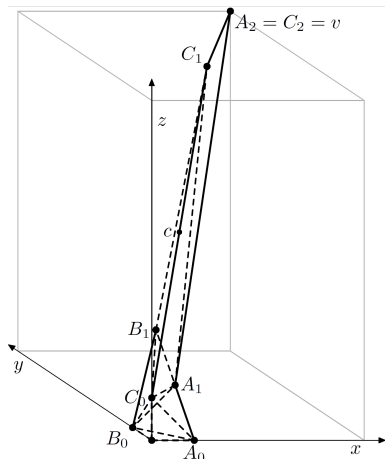


Existing terminology:

Klein sails and **Morier-Genoud—Ovsienko boat**

Sails form the boundary of boats.

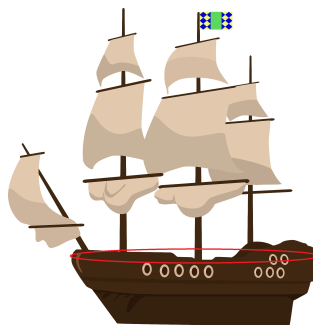
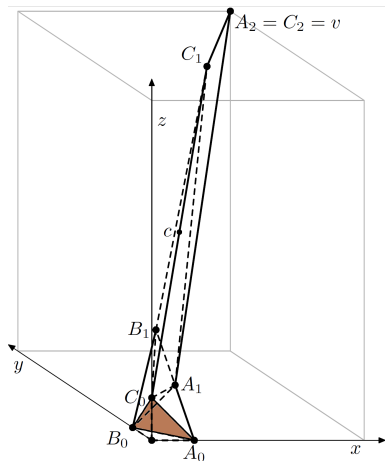
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Farey polyhedron



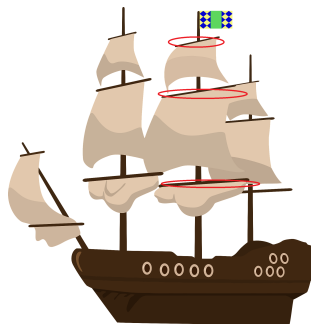
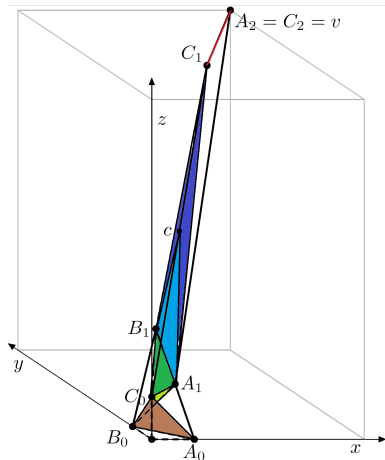
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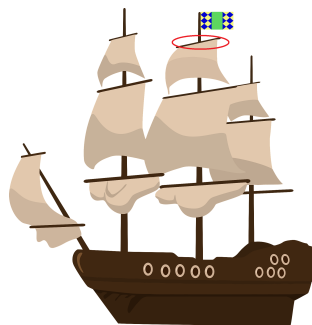
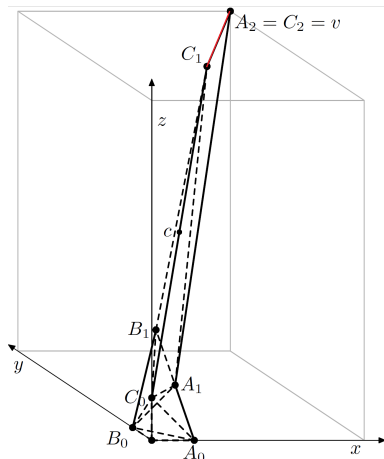
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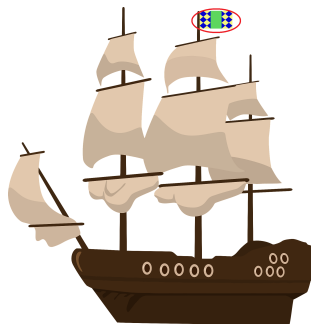
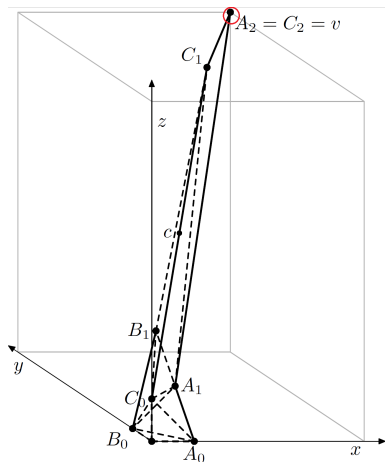
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Crow's nest



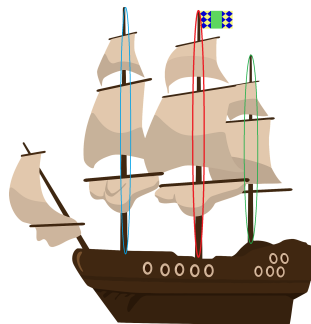
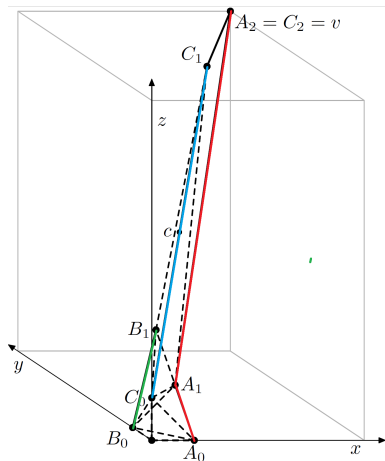
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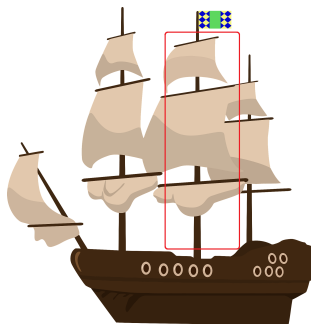
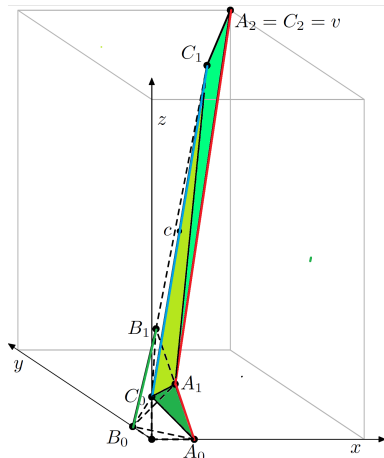


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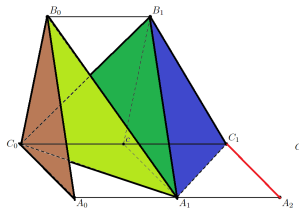
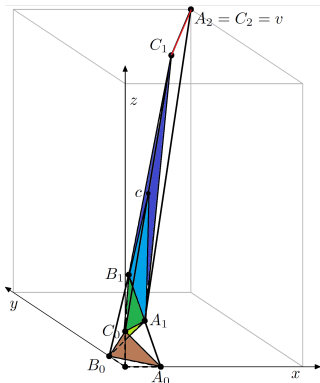
Masts

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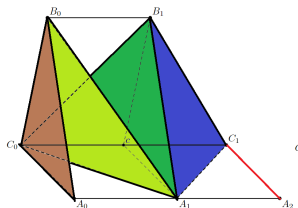
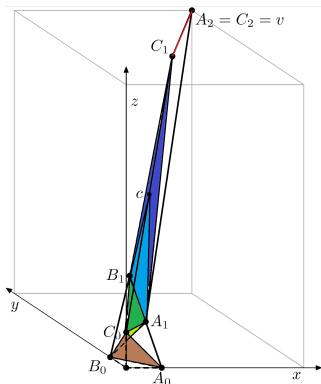
A sail (one of three)

Prismatic diagram



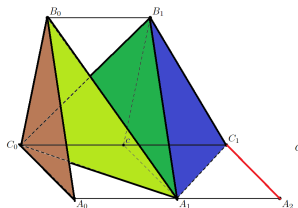
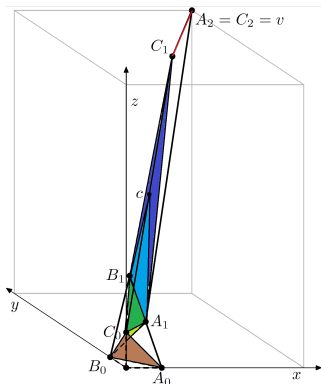
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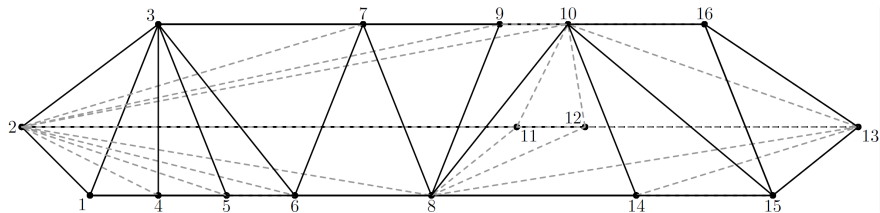
- Theorem.** There is a natural 1-1 correspondence between:
- Farey polyhedra (in general position);
 - Prismatic diagrams;
 - path-triangulations of polyhedra (dual graph is a broken line).

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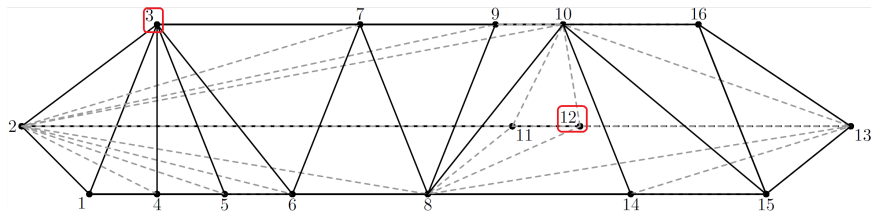
Remark. Not all rational triples are pennants of a Farey polyhedron with entirely 3D prismatic diagram.

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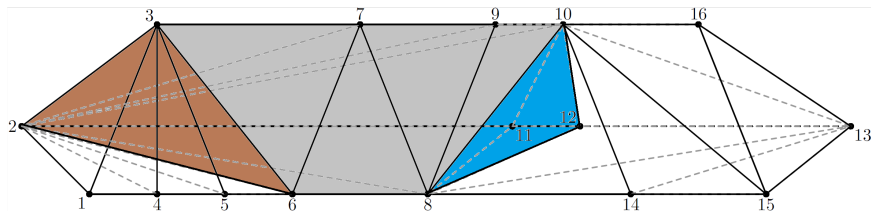
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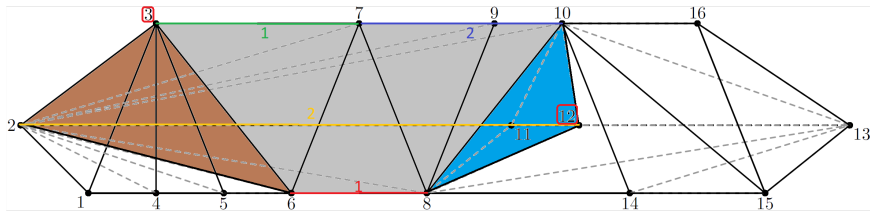
Consider two vertices.

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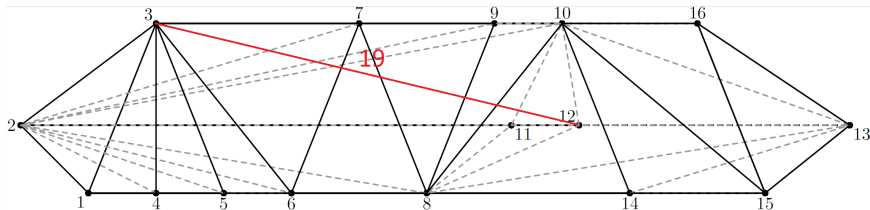
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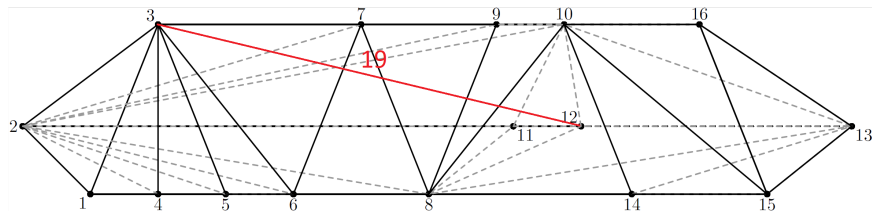
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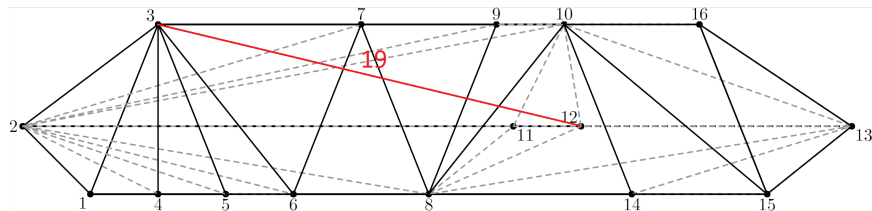


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On the picture: the pennant is $(8, 19, 14)$. Hence $\lambda(v, w) = 19$.

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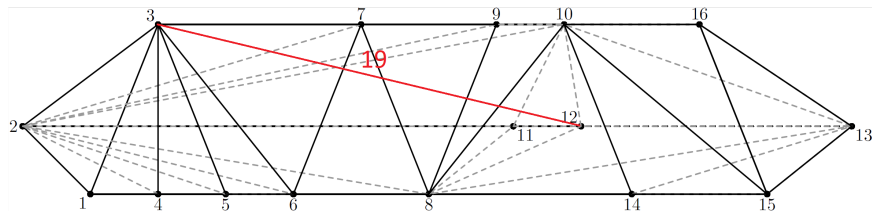
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Best to compute it in the matrix form. Set

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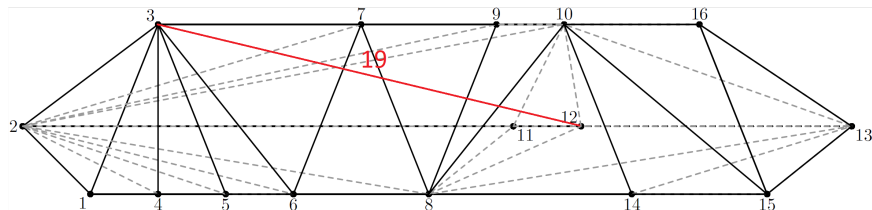
Then

$$A_1^1 A_2^0 A_3^1 A_1^2 A_2^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 8 & 1 \\ 7 & 19 & 2 \\ 5 & 14 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Take the maximal element: 19

(=generalised integer sine: Blackman, Dolan, OK 2023).

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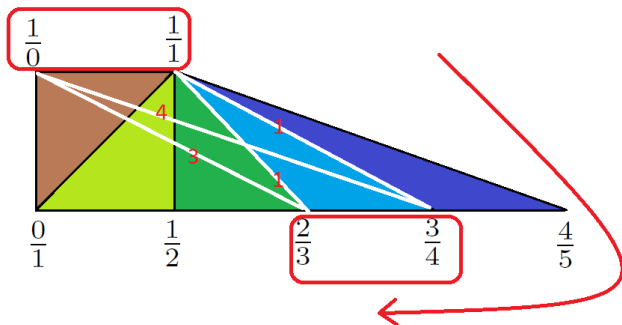


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Remark. All the λ -lengths are written via combinatorics of the triangulation (similarly to two-dimensional case).

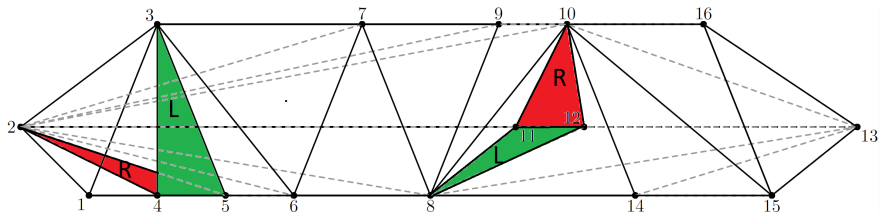
Ptolemy relation (recall)



Ptolemy relation for λ -lengths:

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 1$$

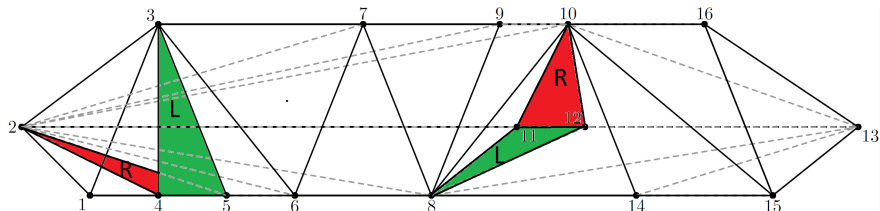
Ptolemy relation (M. van Son, OK, 2024)



Every triangle on the side of the prismatic diagram is either right (R) or left (L).

Here we assume that masts are naturally oriented.

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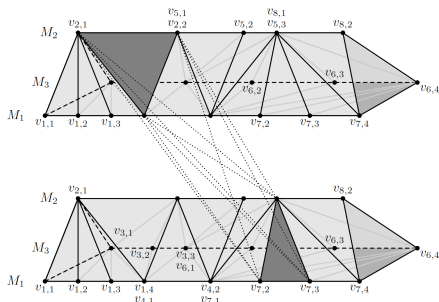


Theorem. Consider two triangles on sides V and W (separated by a nons-zero slice): the first oriented counterclockwise, the second oriented clockwise. Then the determinant of the matrix of lambda length $P(V, W)$ satisfies:

$$P(V, W) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } V \text{ is a right triangle,} \\ 0, & \text{if } V \text{ is a left triangle.} \end{cases}$$

Here we assume that the Farey continued fractions does not have zeroes.

Ptolemy relation: example



The continued fraction is $[3; 1 : 2 : 1 : 2 : 3 : 3 : 1]$.

$$P(V, W) = \det \begin{pmatrix} 218 & 21 & 112 \\ 105 & 10 & 54 \\ 41 & 4 & 21 \end{pmatrix} = 1.$$

Frieze pattern in 3D.

Definition

Consider a Farey polyhedron P and with prismatic diagram D , let $V(D)$ be the set of vertices of D . Consider the function

$$\lambda : V(D) \times V(D) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z},$$

whose values on two vertices is the λ -length between the corresponding vertices in the Farey polyhedron. We call the collection $(\partial D \times \partial D, \lambda)$ the *frieze pattern* associated to the given Farey polyhedron.

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(it is also based on matrix multiplication) ...

The end.

Thank you.