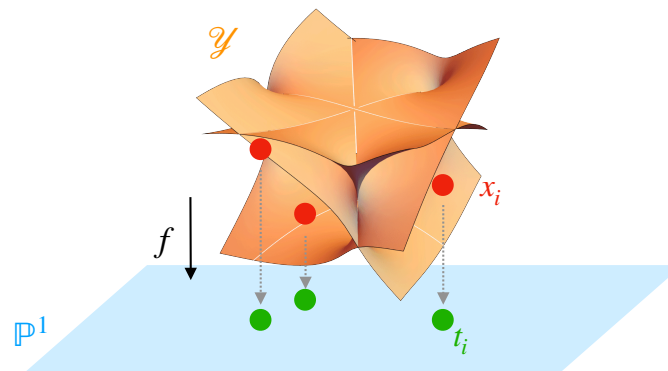


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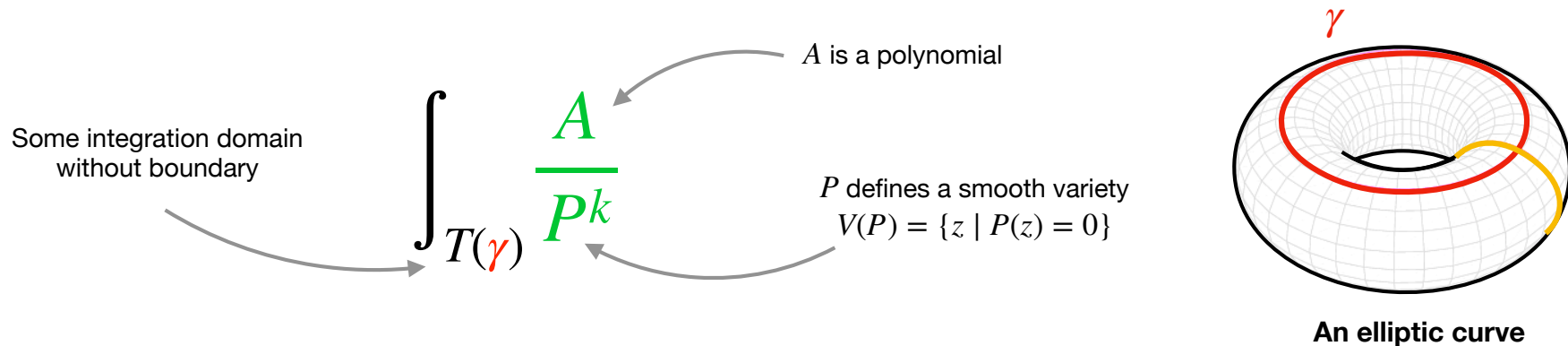


# Numerical computations of periods and monodromy representations



# Periods of algebraic varieties

A **period** of an algebraic variety is the integral of a rational form of a variety on a cycle.



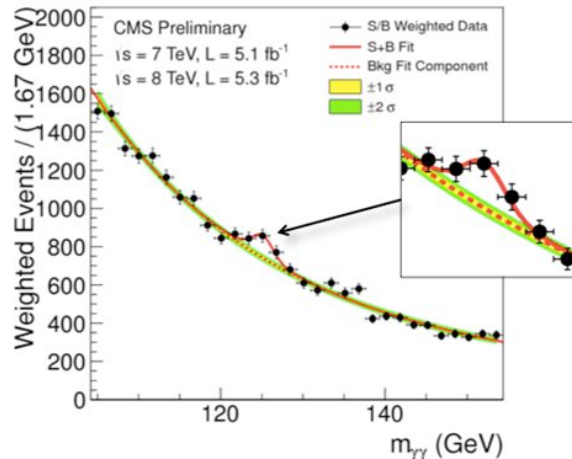
They describe the comparison between **topological data** (cycles) and **algebraic data** (algebraic De Rham forms).

$$H_n(S, \mathbb{Z}) \times H_{DR}^n(S) \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \quad \gamma, \omega \mapsto \int_{\gamma} \omega$$

## Torelli-type theorem for K3 surfaces:

Two K3 surfaces are isomorphic if and only if they have “the same” periods.

# Motivation and goals



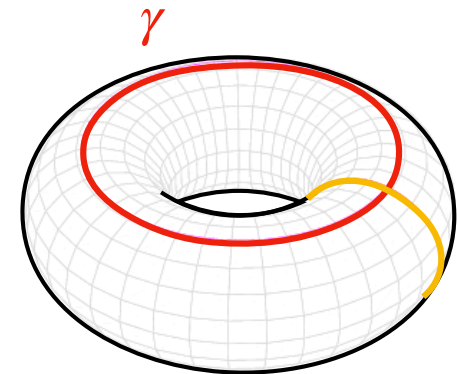
Periods appear in diverse fields of mathematics and physics, such as **(Quantum) field theory** (Feynman integrals), **Hodge theory**, **motives**, **number theory** (BSD conjecture) ...

Hundreds of digits  
Sufficiently many to recover  
algebraic invariants

**Goal:** compute numerical approximations of these integrals with **large precision**.

For this, we need an appropriate description of the integrals.

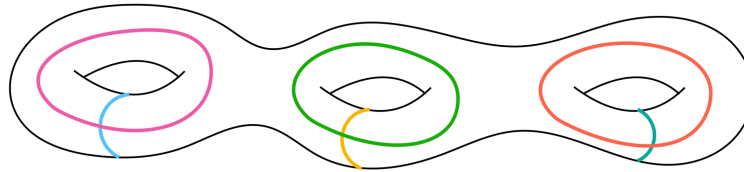
In particular we will focus on **understanding the cycles of integration** (the homology), how to represent them in a way that make integration concrete, and how to compute a basis of them.



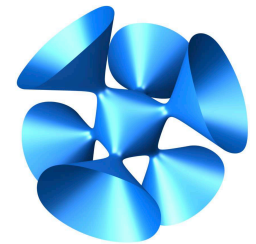
Furthermore we want this to be **effective** and **efficient**.

# Previous works

**[Deconinck, van Hoeij 2001], [Bruin, Sijsling, Zotine 2018],  
[Molin, Neurohr 2017]:**  
Algebraic curves (Riemann surfaces)

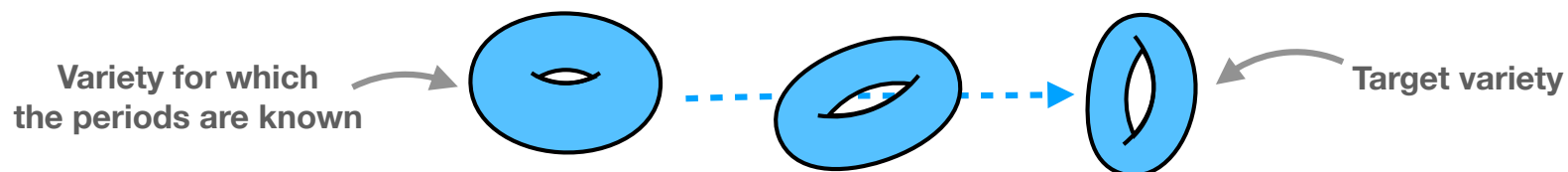


**[Eisenhans, Jahnel 2018], [Cynk, van Straten 2019]:**  
Higher dimensional varieties  
(double covers of  $\mathbb{P}^2$  ramified along 6 lines / of  $\mathbb{P}^3$  ramified along 8 planes)



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Alessandra Sarti

**[Sertöz 2019]:** compute the period matrix of smooth projective  
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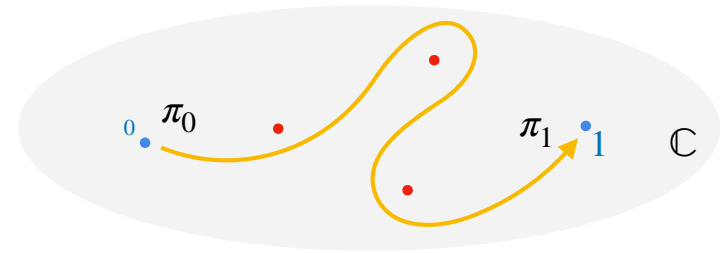


# Previous works

**[Sertöz 2019]:** compute the periods matrix by **deformation**:

We wish to compute  $\int_{\gamma} \frac{\Omega}{X^3 + Y^3 + Z^3 + XYZ}$ .

Let us consider instead  $\pi_t = \int_{\gamma_t} \frac{\Omega}{X^3 + Y^3 + Z^3 + tXYZ}$ ,



Exact formulae are known for  $\pi_0$  **[Pham 65, Sertöz 19]**

Furthermore  $\pi_t$  is a solution to the differential operator  $\mathcal{L} = (t^3 + 27)\partial_t^2 + 3t^2\partial_t + t$  (Picard-Fuchs equation).

We may numerically compute the analytic continuation of  $\pi_0$  along a path from 0 to 1. **[Chudnovsky<sup>2</sup>, Van der Hoeven, Mezzarobba]**

This way, we obtain a numerical approximation of  $\pi_1$ .

# Previous works

**[Sertöz 2019]:** compute the periods matrix by **deformation**:

Two drawbacks :

We rely on the knowledge of the periods of some variety.

**[Pham 65, Sertöz 19]** provide the periods of the Fermat hypersurfaces

$$V(X_0^d + \dots + X_n^d).$$

In more general cases (e.g. complete intersections), we do not have this data.

The differential operators that need to be integrated quickly go beyond what current software can manage:

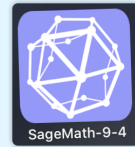
to compute the periods of a smooth quartic surface in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ , one needs to integrate an operator of order 21 and high degree.

**Idea:** a more intrinsic description of the cycles of integration should solve both problems.

# Contributions

New **effective** method for computing homology and periods  
with high precision (hundreds of digits):

→ **implementation** in Sagemath  
*lefschetz\_family*



→ applicable to **other types of varieties**  
(elliptic surfaces, ramified double covers, ...)

→ frontal approach to the the  
computation of **homology** of complex  
algebraic varieties

→ sufficiently efficient to compute periods of  
**previously inaccessible hypersurfaces**  
(general smooth quartic surface)

# Periods of algebraic curves

Algorithm from **[Deconinck, van Hoeij 2001]**

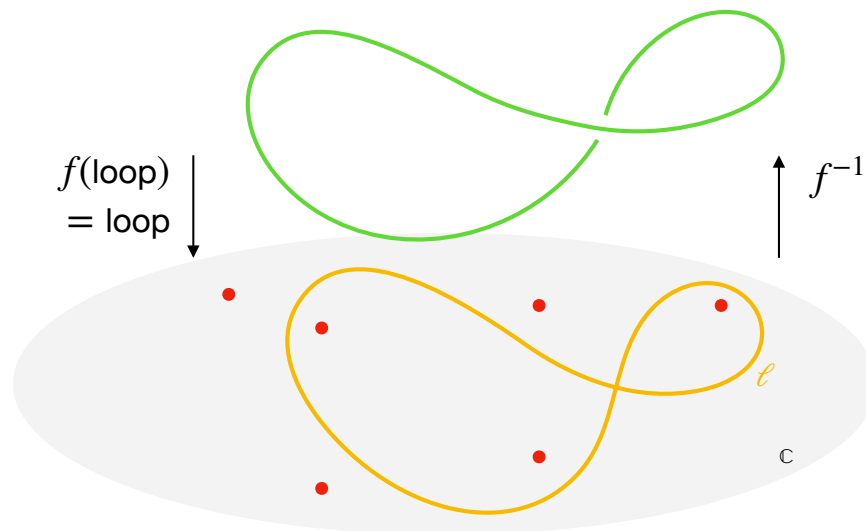


# First example: algebraic curves

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be the elliptic curve defined by  $P = y^3 + x^3 + 1 = 0$  and let  $f: (x, y) \mapsto y/(2x + 1)$  be a generic projection.

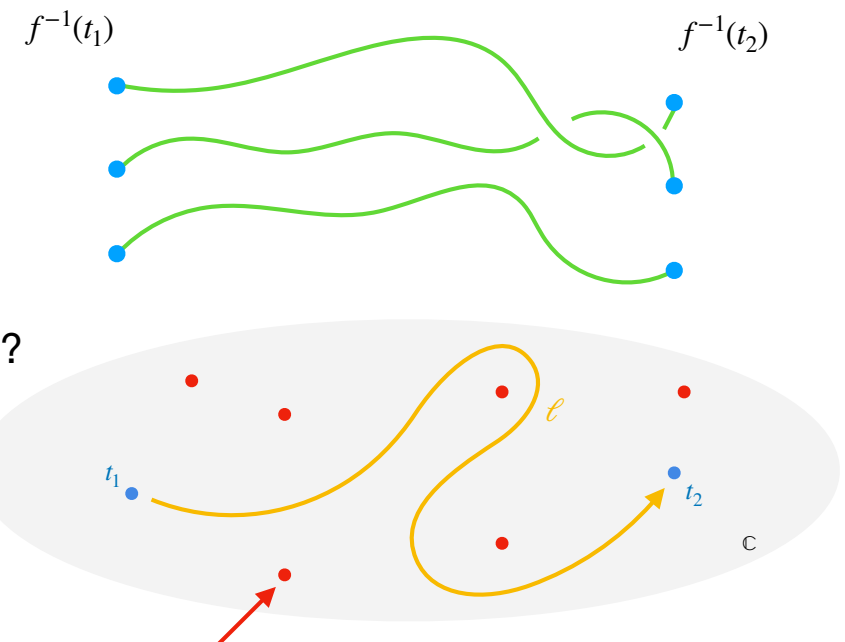
The fibre above  $t \in \mathbb{C}$  is  $\mathcal{X}_t = f^{-1}(t) = \{(x, t(2x + 1)) \mid P(x, t(2x + 1)) = 0\}$ . It deforms continuously with respect to  $t$ .

In dimension 1, we are looking for closed paths in  $\mathcal{X}$ , up to deformation (1-cycles).



$f^{-1}(\text{loop}) = \text{loop} ?$

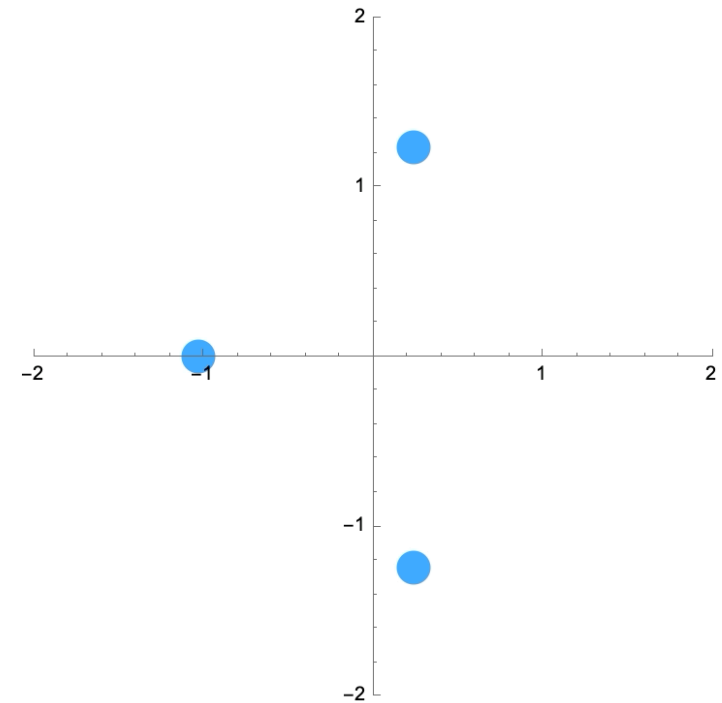
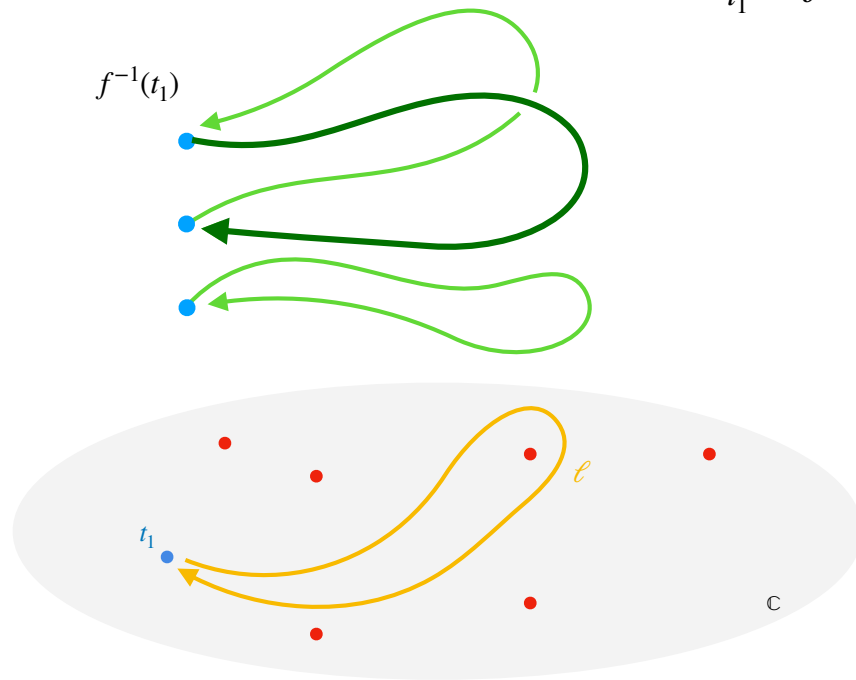
Not always,  
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Values of  $t$  for which  
 $P(x, t(2x + 1)) = t^3(2x + 1)^3 + x^3 + 1$   
 has a double root (critical values)

# What happens when you loop around a critical point?

A loop  $\ell$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  pointed at  $t_1$  induces a permutation of  $\mathcal{X}_{t_1} = f^{-1}(t_1)$ .



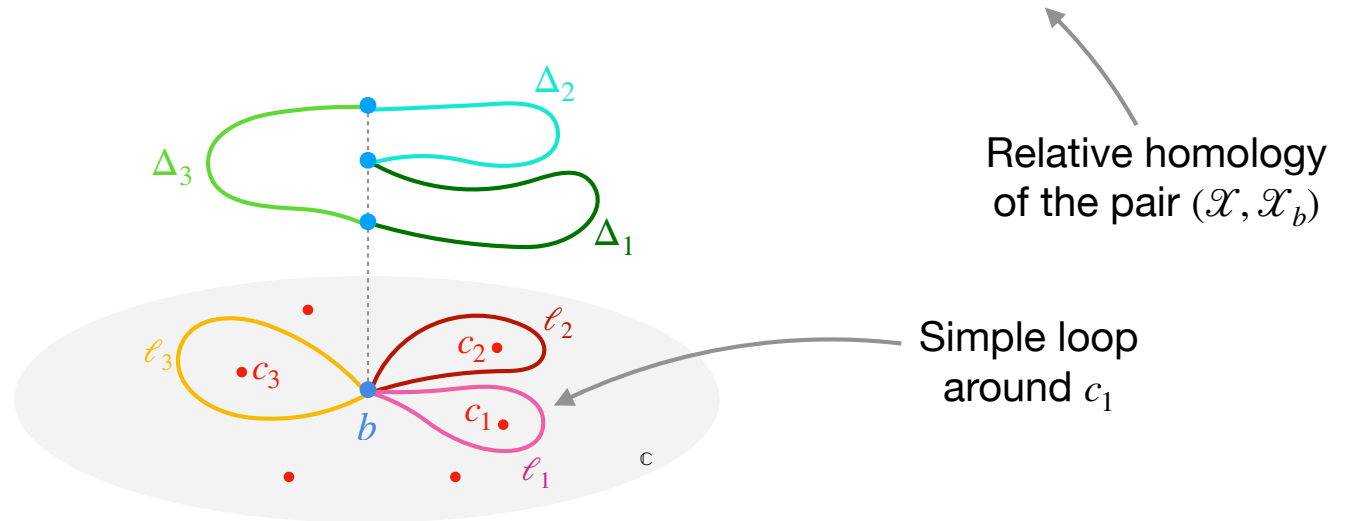
This permutation is called the **action of monodromy along  $\ell$**  on  $\mathcal{X}_{t_1}$ .

It is denoted  $\ell_*$ .

If  $\ell$  is a simple loop around a critical value,  $\ell_*$  is a transposition.

# Periods of algebraic curves

The lift of a simple loop  $\ell$  around a critical value  $c$  that has a non-trivial boundary in  $\mathcal{X}_b$  is called the **thimble** of  $c$ . It is an element of  $H_1(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X}_b)$ .



Thimbles serve as building blocks to recover  $H_1(\mathcal{X})$ .

It is sufficient to glue thimbles together in a way such that their boundaries cancel.

Concretely, we take the kernel of the boundary map

$$\delta : H_1(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X}_b) \rightarrow H_0(\mathcal{X}_b)$$

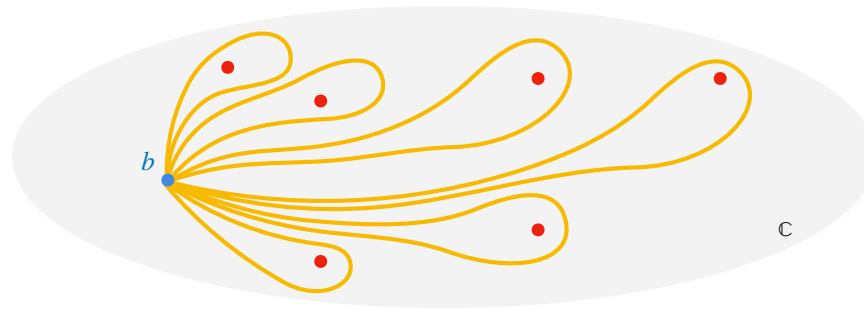
**Fact:** all of  $H_1(\mathcal{X})$  can be recovered this way.

$$0 \rightarrow H_1(\mathcal{X}) \rightarrow H_1(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X}_b) \rightarrow H_0(\mathcal{X}_b)$$

Generated by thimbles

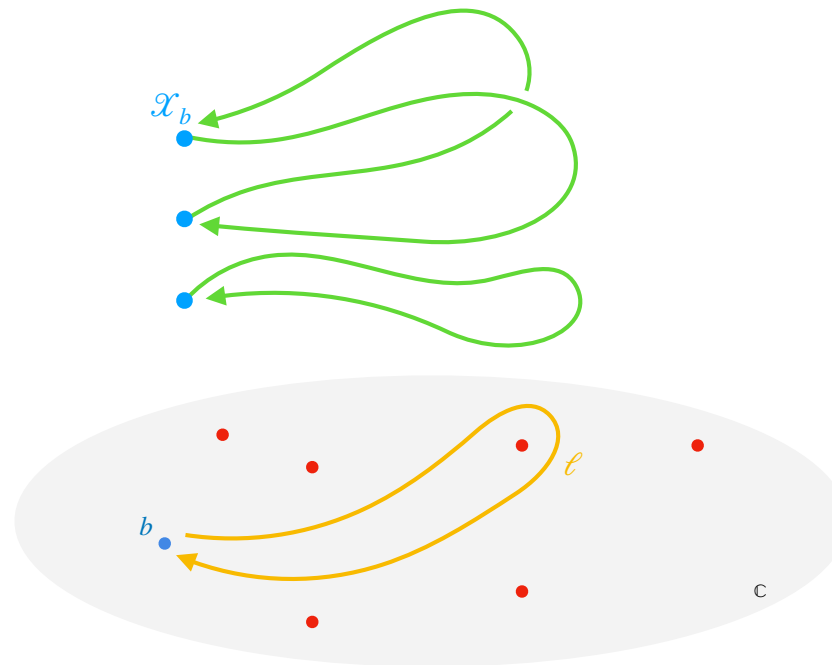
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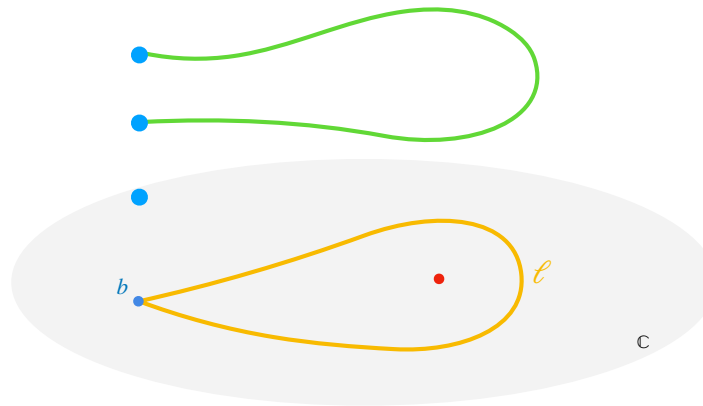
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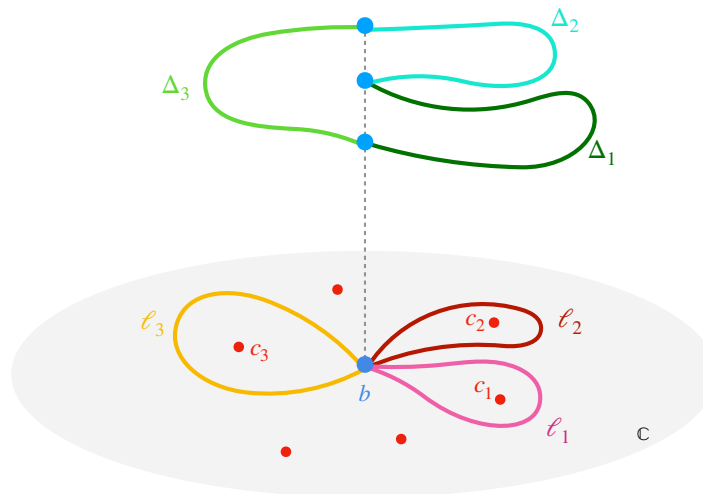
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5. Periods are integrals along these loops  
 $\rightarrow$  we have an explicit parametrisation of these paths  $\rightarrow$  numerical integration.

$$\int_{\gamma} \omega = \int_{\ell} \omega_t$$

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# Hypersurfaces

An inductive approach

Ideas of [Lefschetz 1924], made effective in [Lairez, PP, Vanhove 2024]

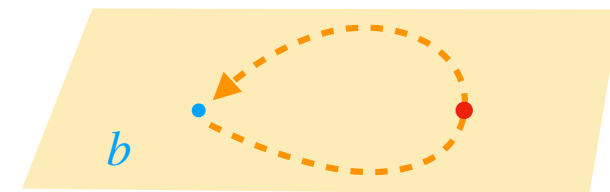
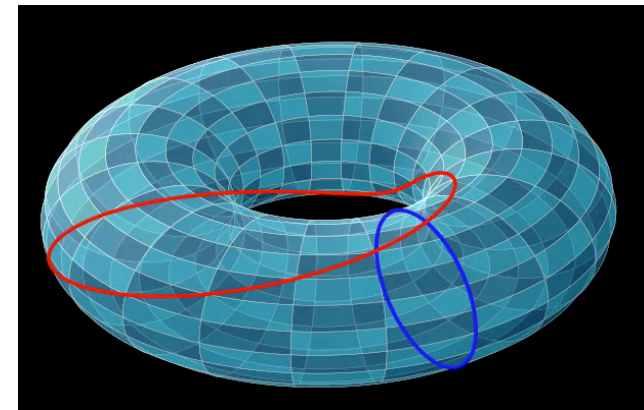
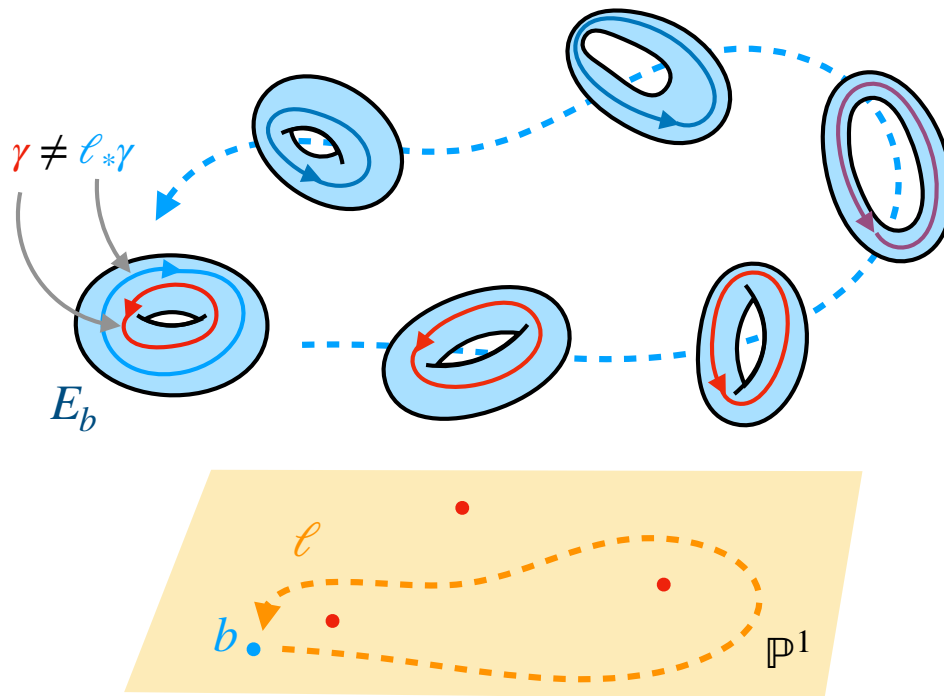
# Monodromy

Ehresmann's  
fibration theorem

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a smooth (hyper)surface in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ . We consider a projection  $\mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$ .  
The fibre  $\mathcal{X}_t = f^{-1}(t)$  is a curve, which deforms continuously as  $t$  moves in  $\mathbb{P}^1$ .

The map  $\ell_* : H_1(\mathcal{X}_b) \rightarrow H_1(\mathcal{X}_b)$  induced by this deformation along a loop  $\ell$  is called the **monodromy along  $\ell$** .

## A Dehn twist



The monodromy is encoded in a differential operator: the **Picard-Fuchs equation**.

When the monodromy is a Dehn twist, the singular fibre is said to be of **Lefschetz type**.  
 $\ell_* - \text{id}$  has **rank 1** and its image is **primitive**.

# Insight into higher dimensions: surfaces

We are looking for 2-cycles.

The fibre  $\mathcal{X}_t$  is a curve which deforms continuously with respect to  $t$ .

We can recover integration 2-cycles for the periods of elliptic surfaces as **extensions** of 1-cycles of the fibre.

$$\pi_1(\mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \Sigma, b) \times H_1(\mathcal{X}_b) \rightarrow H_2(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X}_b)$$

$$\ell, \gamma \mapsto \tau_\ell(\gamma)$$

This description of cycles is well-suited for integrating the periods:

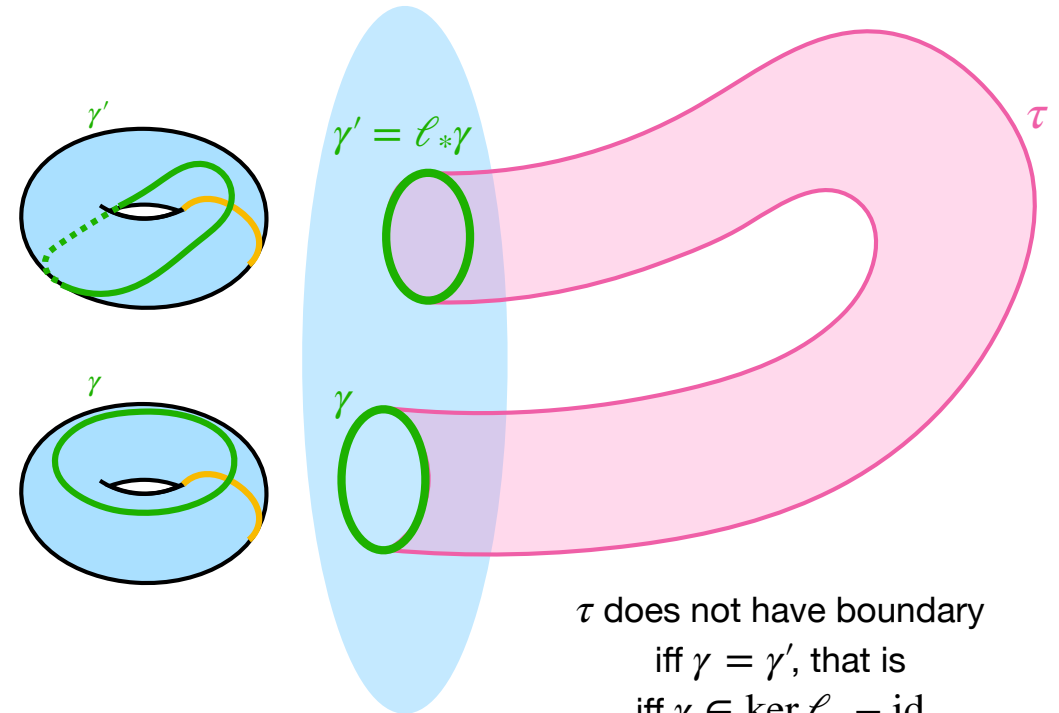
$$\int_{\tau_\ell(\gamma)} f(x, y) dx dy = \int_{\ell} \left( \int_{\gamma} f(x, y) dx \right) dy$$

Two line integrals:

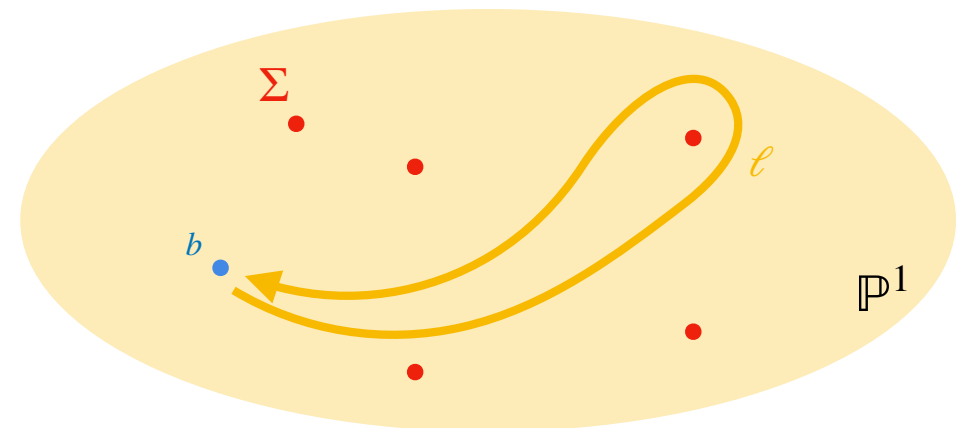
we know how to compute these efficiently!

[Chudnovsky<sup>2</sup>, Van der Hoeven, Mezzarobba]

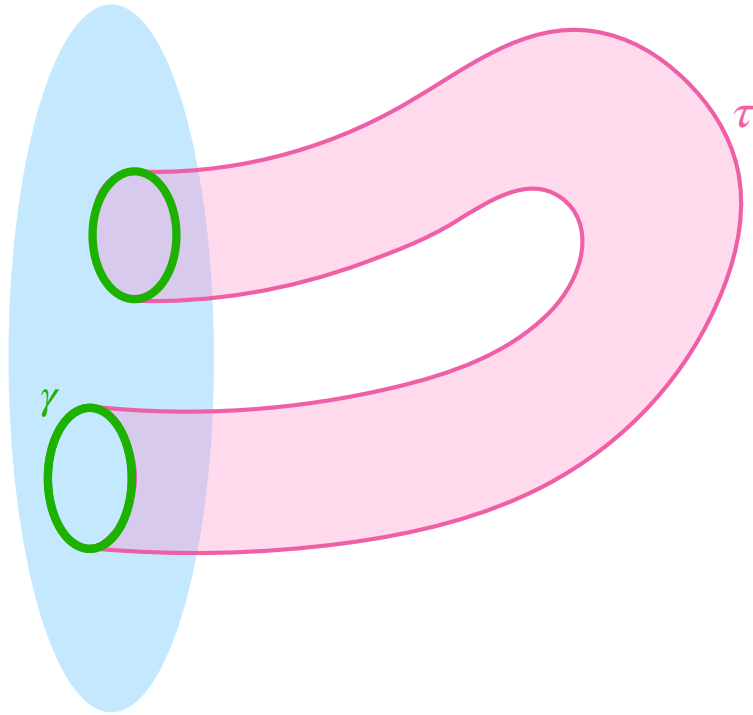
$$\partial \tau_\ell(\gamma) = \gamma' - \gamma$$



$\tau$  does not have boundary  
iff  $\gamma = \gamma'$ , that is  
iff  $\gamma \in \ker \ell_* - \text{id}$



# Comparison with dimension 1

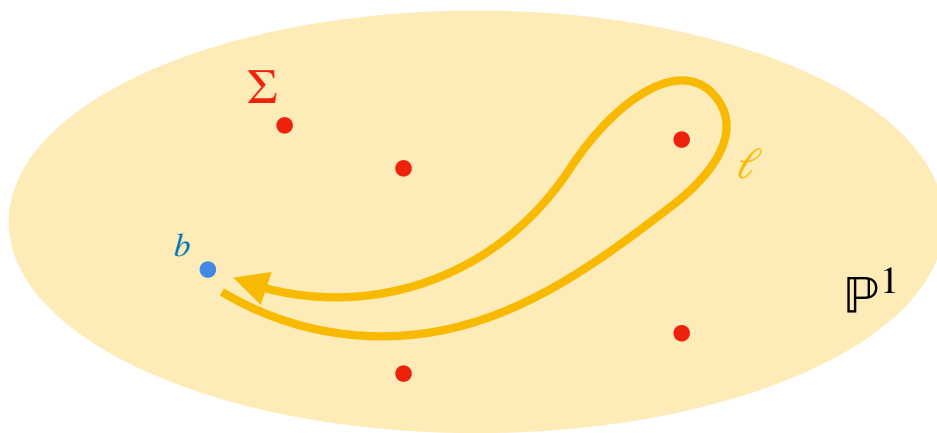


Extensions are  **$n$ -cycles** obtained by extending  **$n - 1$ -cycles** along loops.

The monodromy along a loop  $\ell$  is an isomorphism of  $H_{n-1}(\mathcal{X}_b)$ .

If the projection is generic (Lefschetz), singular fibres are simple.

There is a single **thimble** per critical value.



We get *almost* every possible  $n$ -cycle by gluing thimbles.

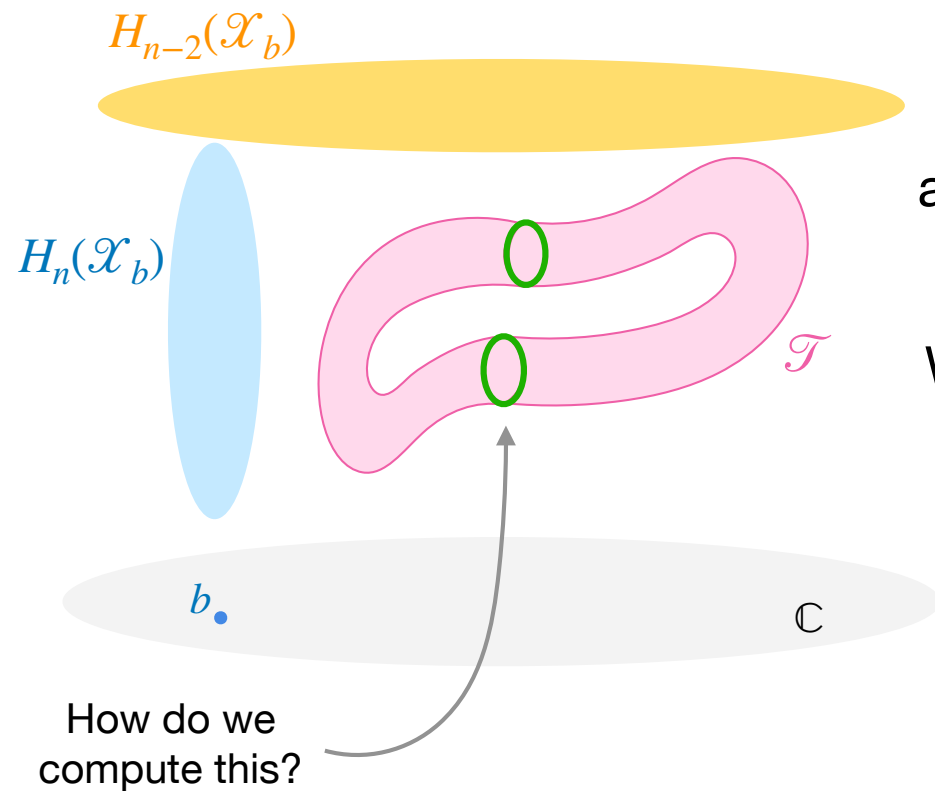
$$H_n(\mathcal{X}_b) \rightarrow H_n(\mathcal{X}) \rightarrow H_n(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X}_b) \rightarrow H_{n-1}(\mathcal{X}_b)$$

Possibly  
nontrivial

*Almost*  
generated  
by thimbles

# Some complications

Not all cycles of  $H_n(\mathcal{Y})$  are lift of loops, and thus not all are combinations of thimbles.



More precisely, we are missing the homology class of the **fibre**  $H_n(\mathcal{X}_b)$  and a **section** (an extension of  $H_{n-2}(\mathcal{X}_b)$  to all of  $\mathbb{P}^1$ ).

We have a filtration  $\mathcal{F}^0 \subset \mathcal{F}^1 \subset \mathcal{F}^2 = H_n(\mathcal{Y})$  such that

$$\mathcal{F}^0 \simeq H_n(\mathcal{X}_b)$$

$$\mathcal{F}^1 / \mathcal{F}^0 \simeq \mathcal{T}$$

$$\mathcal{F}^2 / \mathcal{F}^1 \simeq H_{n-2}(X_b)$$

Interesting part

$\mathcal{T}$  is also known as the **parabolic cohomology** of the local system.

# Computing monodromy of differential operators

[Chudnovsky<sup>2</sup> 90, Van der Hoeven 99, Mezzarobba 2010]

In a small radius around  $\alpha$ :

$$\left| f(t) - \sum_{k=0}^m \frac{f^{(k)}(\alpha)}{k!} (t - \alpha)^k \right| \leq \mathcal{P}(m) 2^{-m}$$

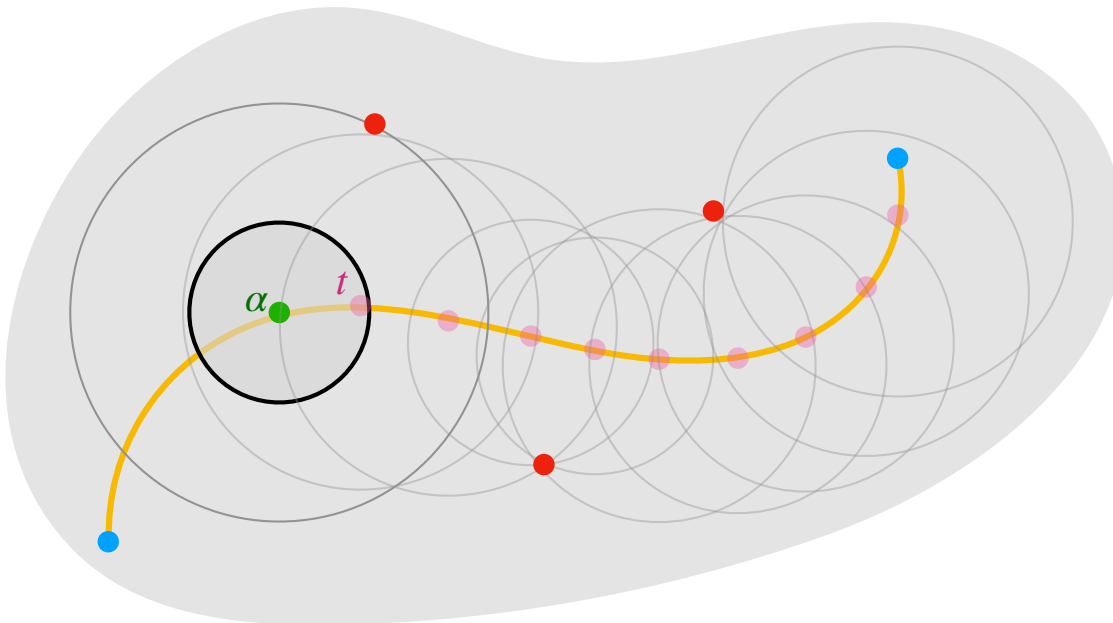
polynomial  
in  $m$  (effective)  
[Mezzarobba Salvy 2009]

We compute  $f^{(k)}(\alpha)$  from  $\mathcal{L}$ .

In a disk around  $\alpha$ , the precision given by the Taylor formula is exponential in its order.

From the derivatives at  $\alpha$ ,  
we can recover the derivatives at  $t$ .

Linear complexity:  
recover  $m$  digits in  $\mathcal{O}(m)$  operations  
(using binary splitting)



# Computing monodromy on cycles

Globally defined  
 $\Rightarrow$  no monodromy

$$\Pi_{ij} = \int_{\gamma_j} \partial_t^i \omega_t$$

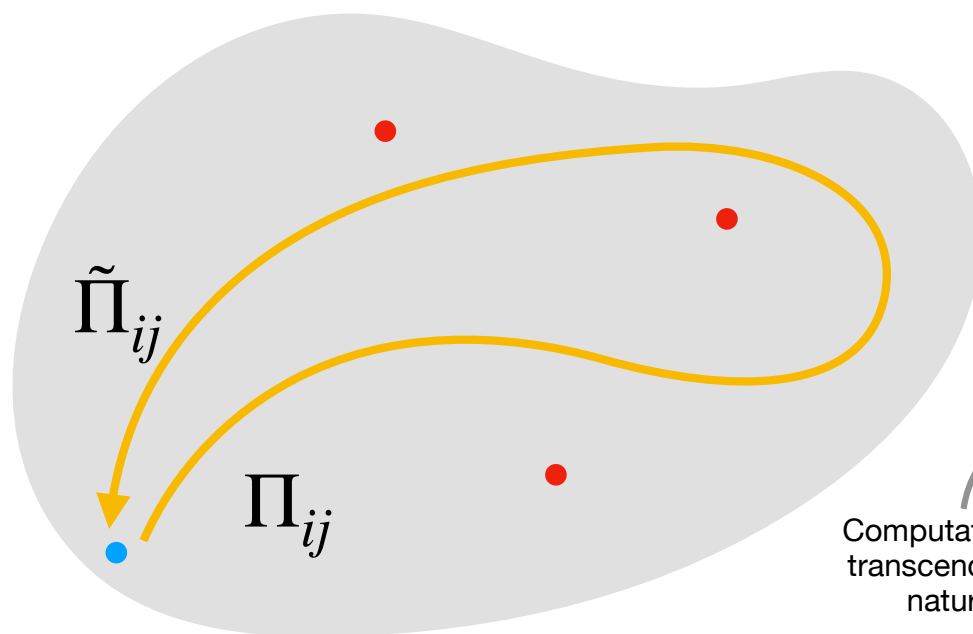
Analytic continuation  
 [Chudnovsky<sup>2</sup> 90, Van der Hoeven 99, Mezzarobba 2010]

Solution to  
 Picard-Fuchs  
 equation of  $\omega_t$

$$\tilde{\Pi}_{ij} = \int_{\sum_k c_{kj} \gamma_k} \partial_t^i \omega_t = \sum_k c_{kj} \int_{\gamma_k} \partial_t^i \omega_t$$

$$\tilde{\gamma}_j = \sum_k c_{kj} \gamma_k$$

The  $c_{kj}$ 's are integers



Thus  $\tilde{\Pi} = \Pi C$  i.e.

$$\Pi^{-1} \tilde{\Pi} = C \in GL_r(\mathbb{Z})$$

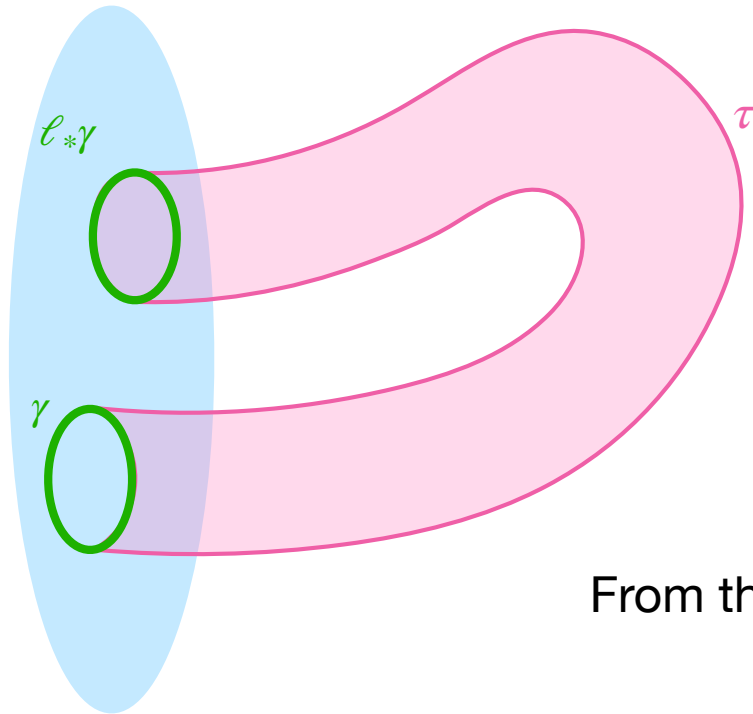
Computation of  
 transcendental  
 nature

It is sufficient to carry out this  
 computation with precision  $< 1/2$   
 to recover  $C$  exactly.

# Periods of hypersurfaces

From the monodromy we compute the boundary of thimbles, and we can glue them to obtain extensions.

$$\partial\tau_\ell(\gamma) = \ell^*\gamma - \gamma$$



This yields an inductive method for computing the periods of smooth hypersurfaces.

$$\int_{\tau_\ell(\gamma)} \omega = \int_{\ell} \left( \int_{\gamma} \omega_t \right) \wedge dt$$

From the periods, we may recover algebraic invariants.

For example, we can find quartic surfaces with Picard rank 2, 3 and 5, which were missing entries in a search of **[Lairez Sertöz 2019]**.

$$\mathcal{X} = V \begin{pmatrix} x^4 - x^2y^2 - xy^3 - y^4 + x^2yz + xy^2z + x^2z^2 - xyz^2 + xz^3 \\ -x^3w - x^2yw + xy^2w - y^3w + y^2zw - xz^2w + yz^2w - z^3w + xyw^2 \\ + y^2w^2 - xzw^2 - xw^3 + yw^3 + zw^3 + w^4 \end{pmatrix}$$



# Periods of hypersurfaces

We thus obtain an algorithm for computing the periods of smooth hypersurfaces, inductive on the dimension.

Because we are working with lower dimensional varieties, this method turns out to be **more efficient** than that of **[Sertöz 2019]**.

In particular we are able to compute the periods of quartic K3 surfaces:

$P - x^4 - w^4 - z^4 - w^4$	<i>numperiods</i>	<i>lefschetz-family</i>	ord $\mathcal{L}$	deg $\mathcal{L}$
0	< 1 s	384 min.	—	—
$2x^2zw$	4 s	574 min.	3	4
$-2y^3z - 4z^2w^2$	2 min.	510 min.	5	38
$-xyzw + 4xzw^2 - 2y^4$	25 min.	607 min.	7	110
$y^3z + z^4 + y^3w + x^2zw$	346 min.	635 min.	14	591
$4xyz^2 - 5x^2zw - 4xw^3 - 4zw^3$	> 2880 min.	494 min.	21	?
$-2x^2w^2 - 4y^2w^2 - 2yzw^2 + 2yw^3$	> 500 Gb	543 min.	21	?
$x^4 - 4y^2z^2 - 5xz^2w + 2yz^2w + xyw^2$	> 500 Gb	538 min.	14	?

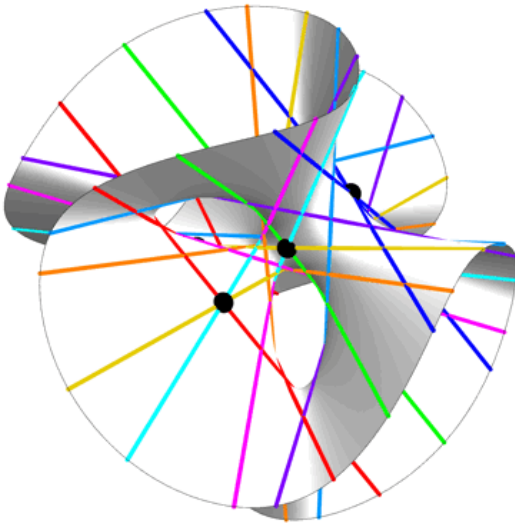
In all cases, *lefschetz-family* integrates an operator of order 7.

**We have solved one of the main difficulties:**

a direct computation of the homology of hypersurfaces.

The bottleneck for accessing higher dimensions is still the order/degree of the differential operators.

# An application: lines on cubic surfaces



Animation by Greg Egan

There are 27 (complex) lines  $L_1, L_2, \dots, L_{27}$  on a cubic surface  $\mathcal{X}$ .

Such lines are isolated in their linear equivalence class in  $H_2(\mathcal{X})$ .

These classes are characterised  
by the following intersection numbers:

$$\langle L_i, h_{\mathcal{X}} \rangle = 1$$

$$L_i^2 = -1$$

where  $h_{\mathcal{X}}$  is the class of the hyperplane section.

Let  $\mathcal{X}_t$  be a one parameter family of cubic surfaces.

We may compute the action of monodromy on homology  $\ell_* : H_2(\mathcal{X}_b) \rightarrow H_2(\mathcal{X}_b)$ .

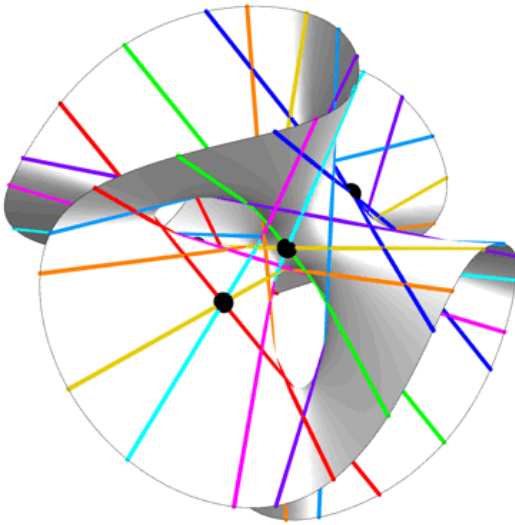
As  $\ell_*$  preserves the intersection product and  $h_{\mathcal{X}}$ , we have that

$$\ell_* L_i = L_{\sigma_{\ell}(i)}$$

for some permutation  $\sigma_{\ell}$  of  $\{1, 2, \dots, 27\}$ .

**We can compute  $\sigma_{\ell}$ !**

# An application: lines on cubic surfaces



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The full group of automorphism of the lines preserving their intersection products is the Weil group  $W(E_6)$ .

**Fact:** This is the monodromy group of the full space of cubic surfaces. This is well known, but we can now just compute it.

Let  $G \subset \mathfrak{S}(\{w, x, y, z\})$  be a subgroup, and consider  $C^G$  be the family of cubic surfaces with defining equations in  $w, x, y, z$  invariant under the action of  $G$ .

Let's compute the action of monodromy in  $C^G$  on the lines!

**Theorem [Brazelton, Raman 2024]:** The monodromy group of  $C^{\mathfrak{S}(\{w, x, y, z\})}$  is isomorphic to the Klein four-group  $K_4 \cong (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^2$ .

Surprisingly small

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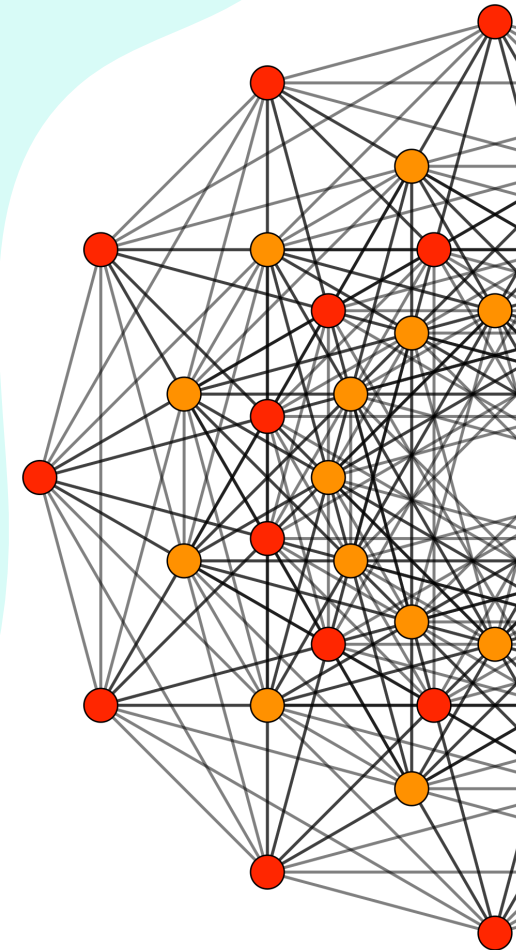
# Partially symmetric cubic surfaces

**Theorem [PP Telen 2025]:** Let  $G$  be a finite group of linear automorphisms of  $\mathbb{P}^3$ .

We can compute the monodromy group  $M_G$  of  $C^G$ .

e.g. below is  $M_G$  for  $G$  a subgroup of  $\mathfrak{S}(\{w, x, y, z\})$ :

$G$	$M_G$	Card $M_G$
$\{\text{id}\}$	$W(E_6)$	51840
$\langle (wx) \rangle$	$W(F_4)$	1152
$\langle (wx)(yz) \rangle$	$D_4 \times \mathfrak{S}_4$	192
$\langle (wxyz) \rangle$	$(\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}) \times (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^2$	16
$\langle (xy)(zw), (xz)(yw) \rangle$ and $\langle (wxyz), (xz) \rangle$	$(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^3$	8
$\langle (wx), (yz) \rangle$	$(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^2 \times \mathfrak{S}_4$	96
$\langle (xyz) \rangle$	$(\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}) \times \mathfrak{S}_3^2$	108
$\mathfrak{S}(\{w, x, y\})$	$\mathfrak{S}_3^2$	36
$A_4$ and $\mathfrak{S}(\{w, x, y, z\})$	$(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^2$	4



Furthermore we know what these groups are in the common ambient group  $W(E_6)$ .

# Beyond hypersurfaces

Non-Lefschetz fibrations

[PP 2024]

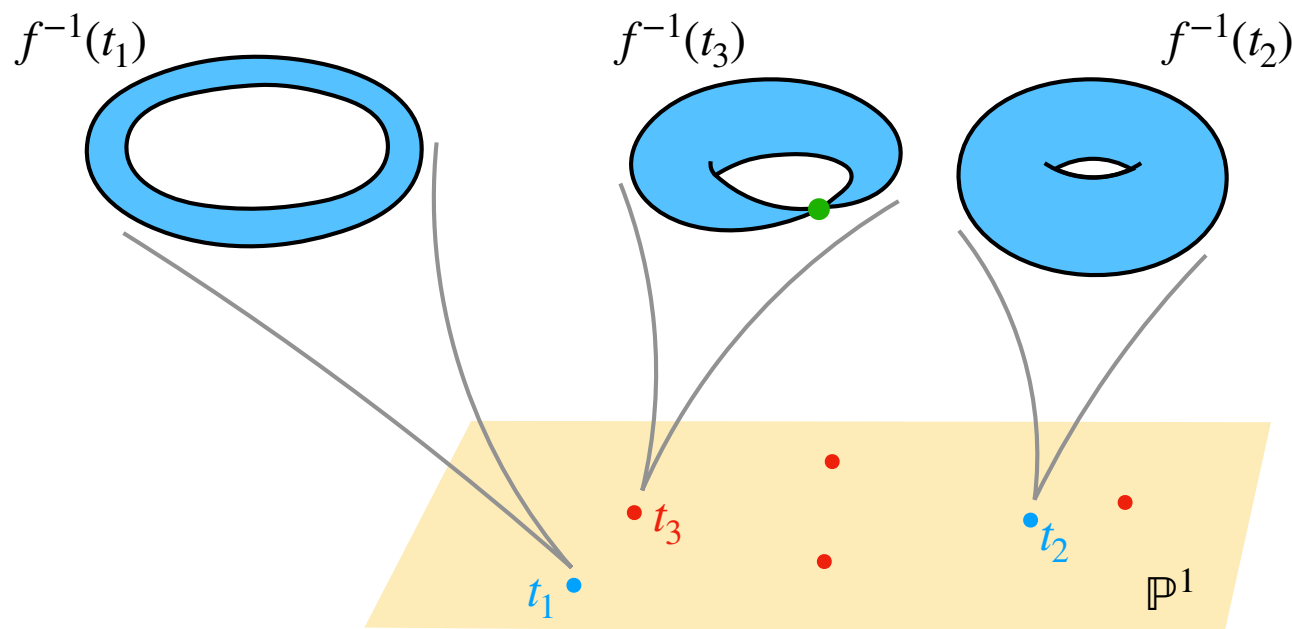
# Elliptic surfaces

An **elliptic surface**  $S$  is a smooth algebraic surface equipped with a map to the projective line

$$f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$$

The fibration is given.  
We cannot choose it  
to be generic.

such that all but finitely many fibres  $f^{-1}(t)$  are elliptic curves.



We will assume the surface has a **section**.

# Non-Lefschetz fibrations: an example

The **Apéry surface**  $S$ , defined by  $y^2 + (t - 1)xy + ty = x^3 - tx^2$ .

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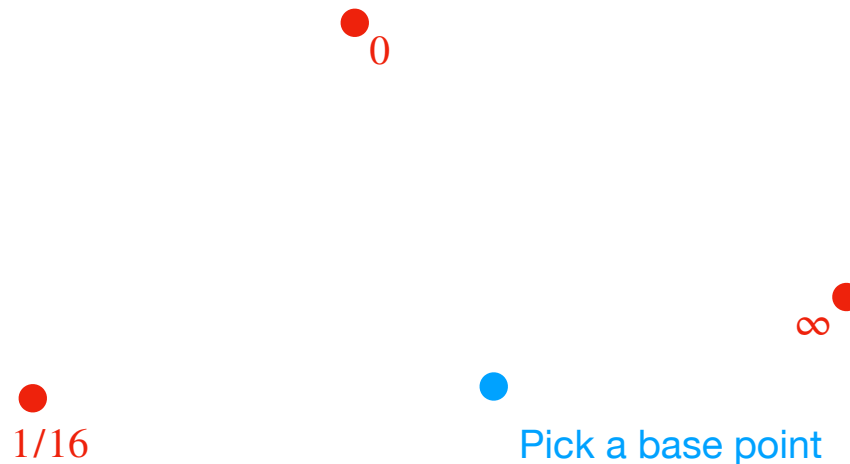
Compute the set  $\Sigma$  of critical values  
i.e., the roots of the discriminant  $t^4(t - \frac{1}{16})$

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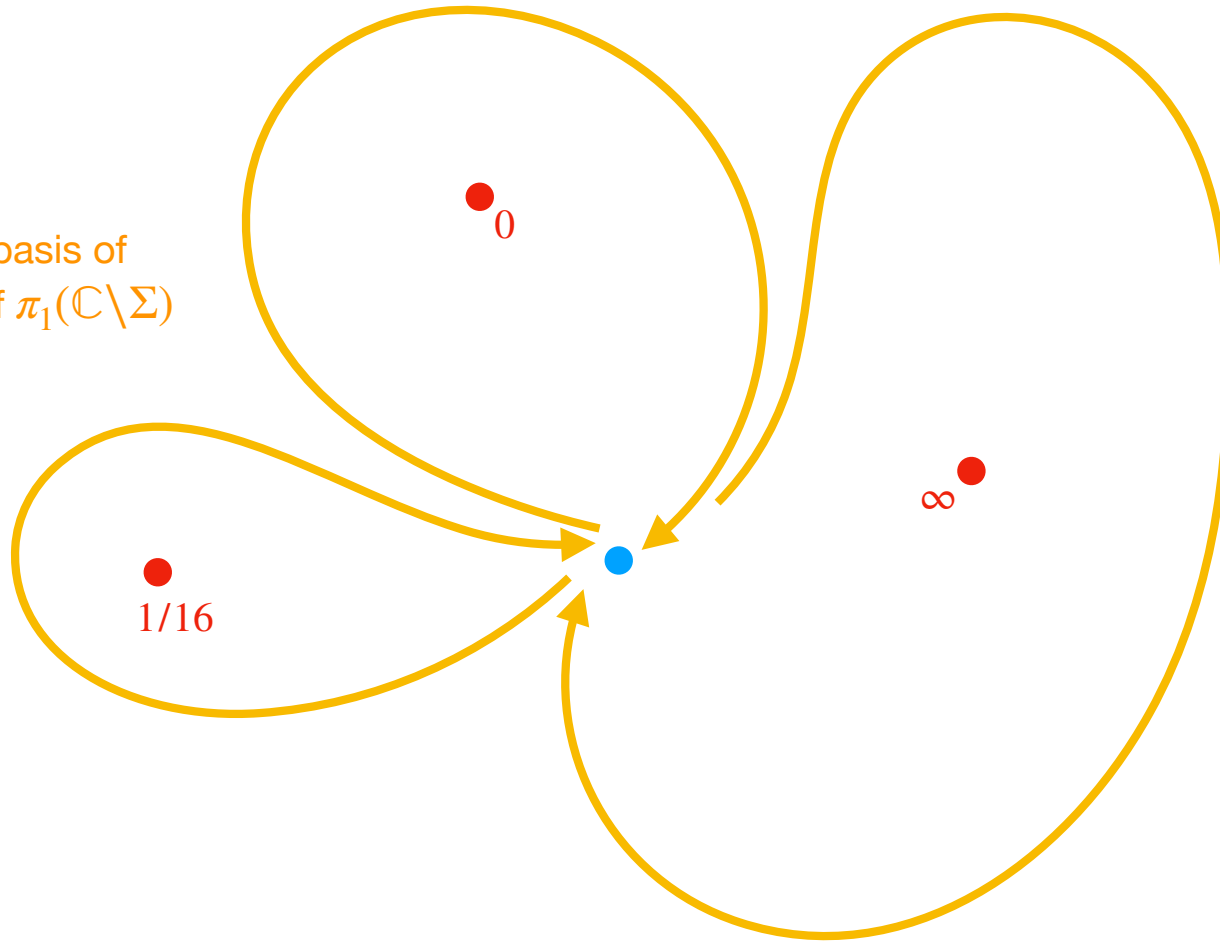




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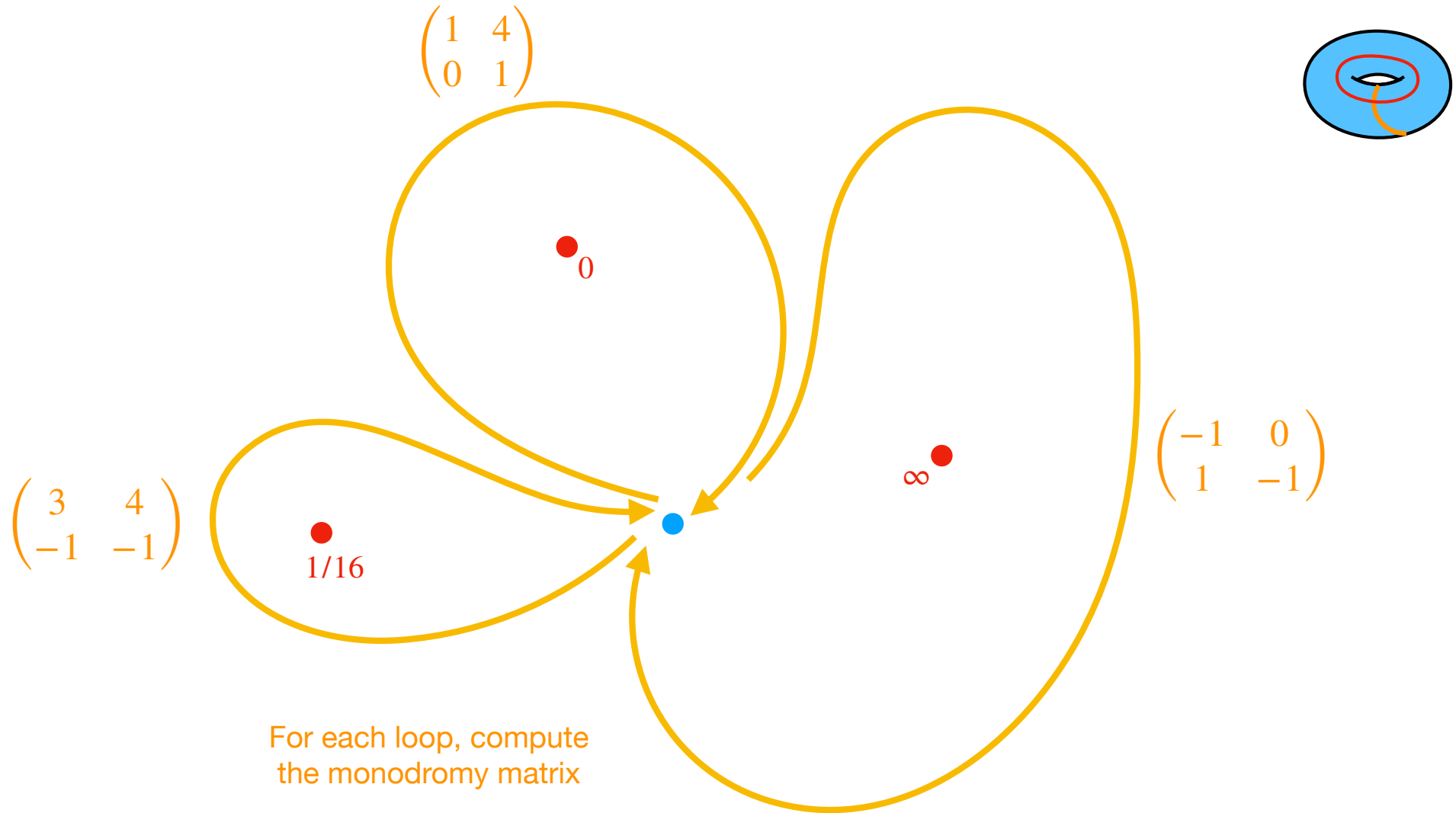
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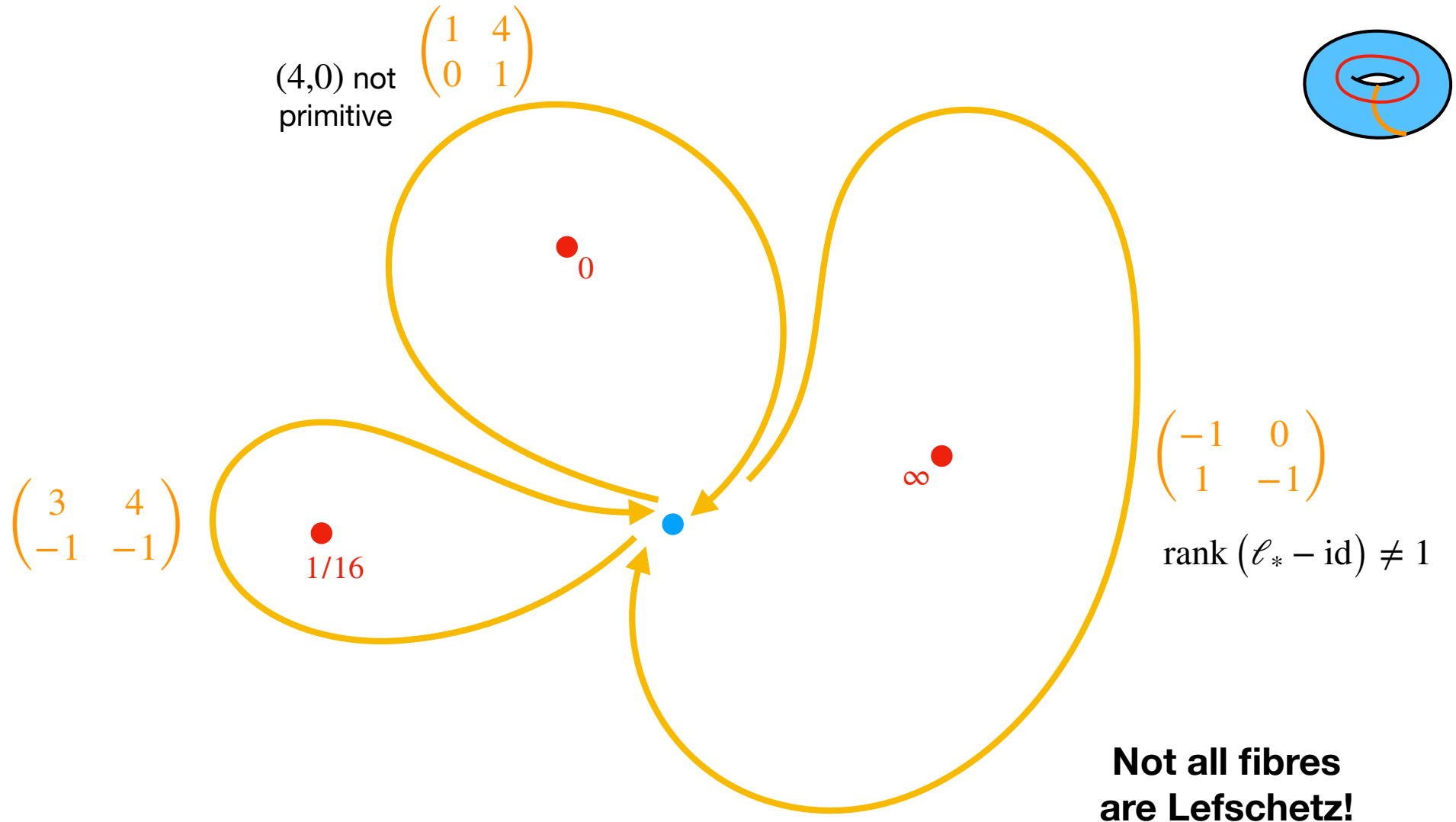
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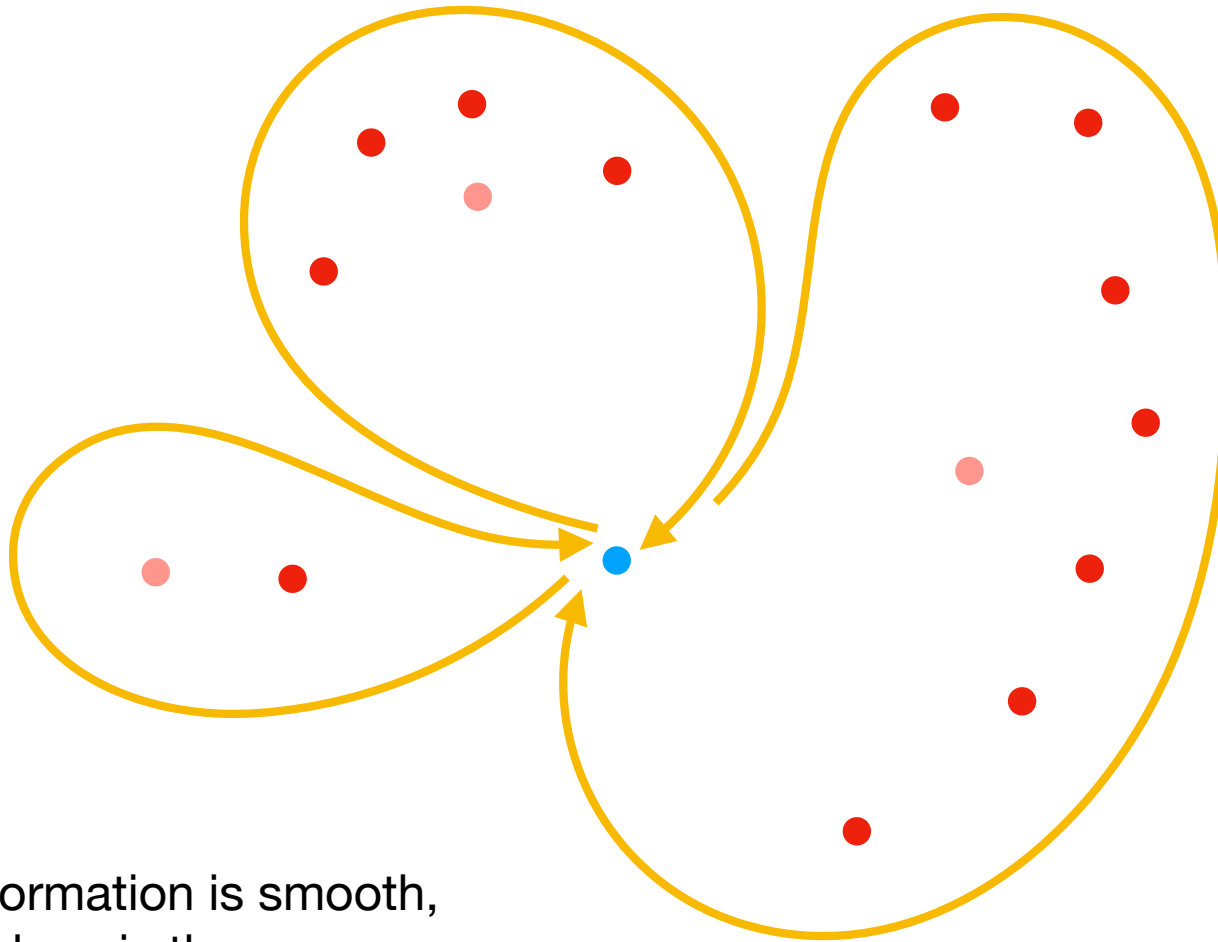
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We have to find a workaround ...

# Non-Lefschetz fibrations: an example

We deform the surface to  $\tilde{S} : y^2 + (t - 1)xy + ty = x^3 - tx^2 + \varepsilon$ .

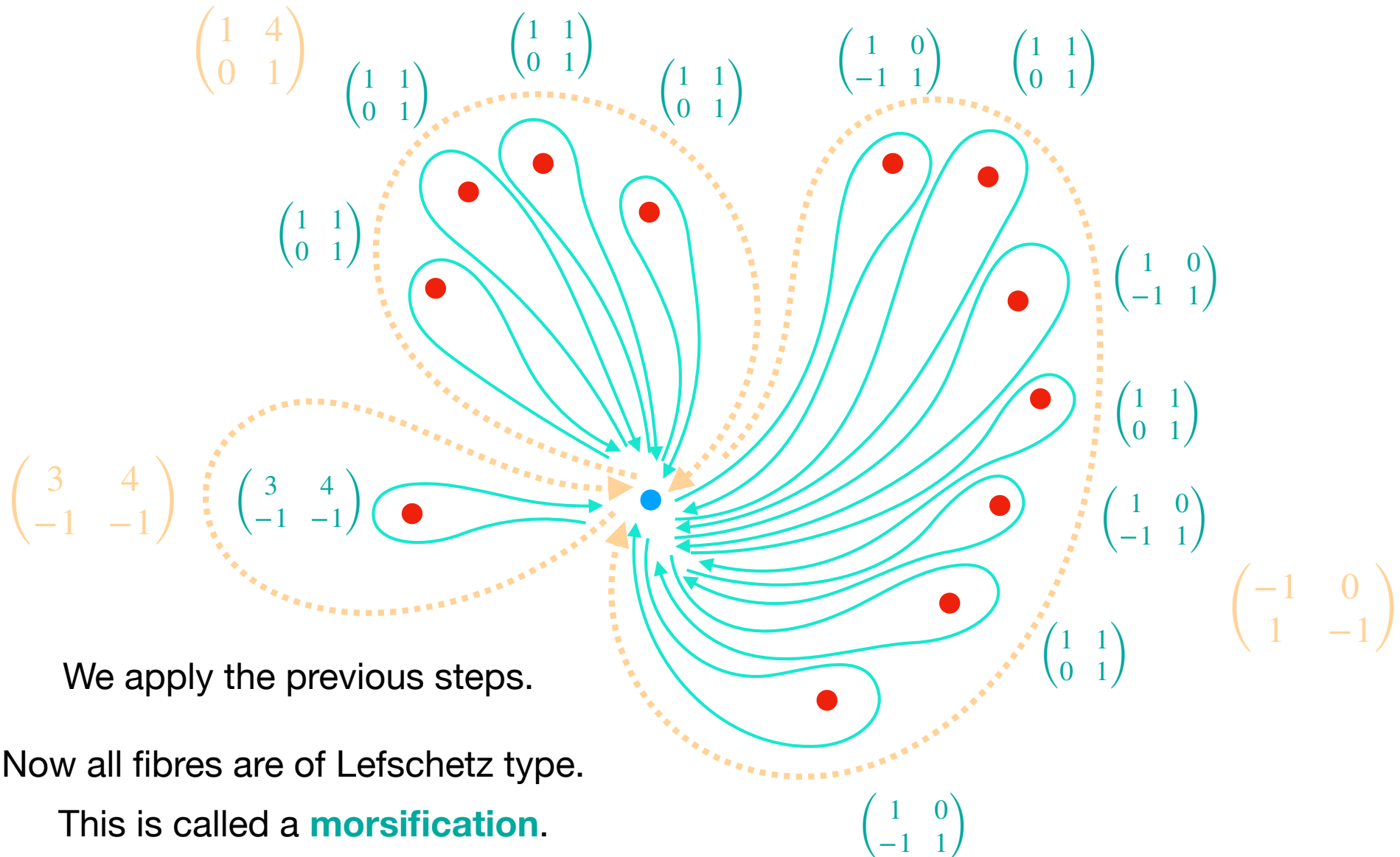


As the deformation is smooth,  
the topology is the same:

$$H_2(S) \simeq H_2(\tilde{S}).$$

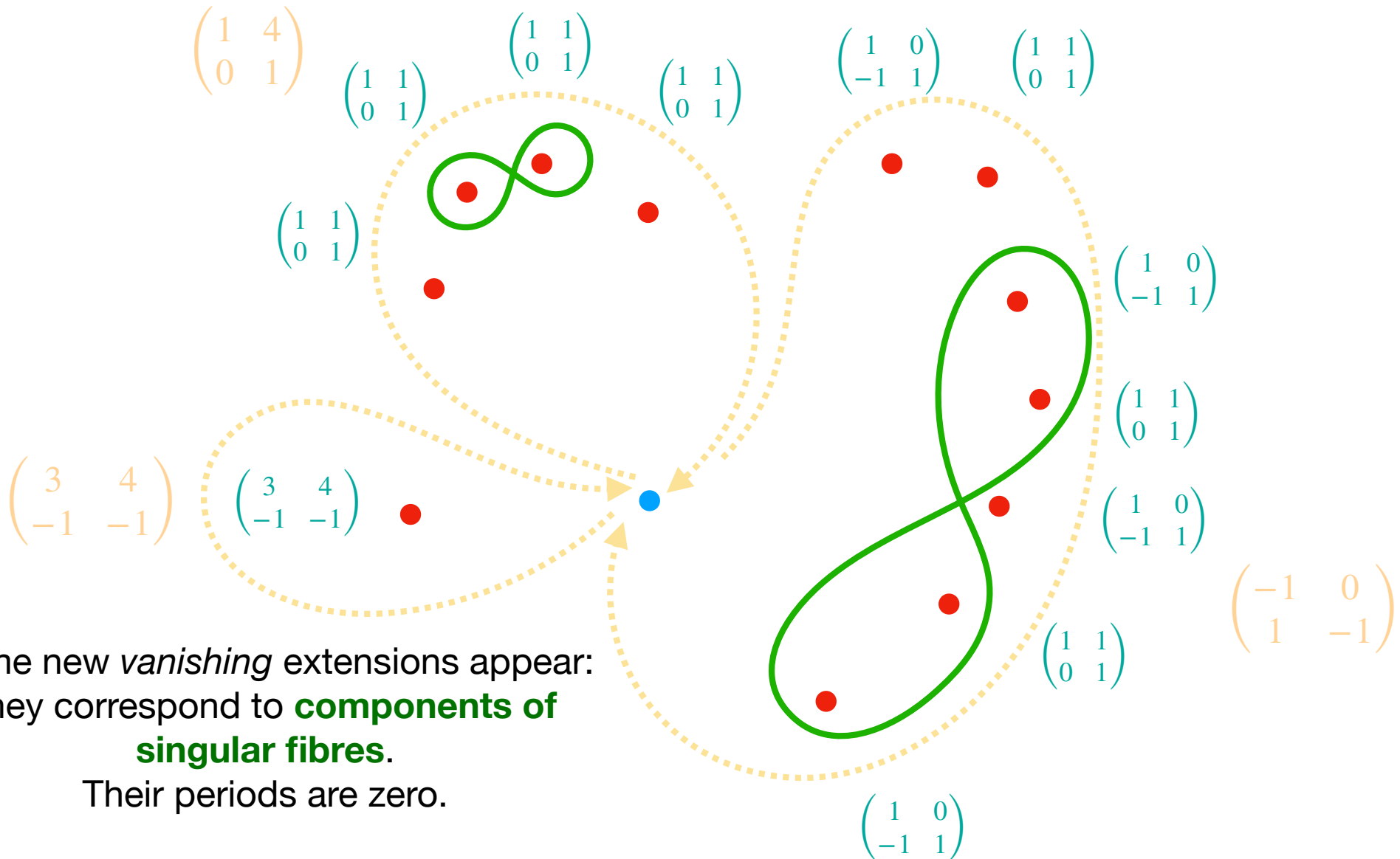
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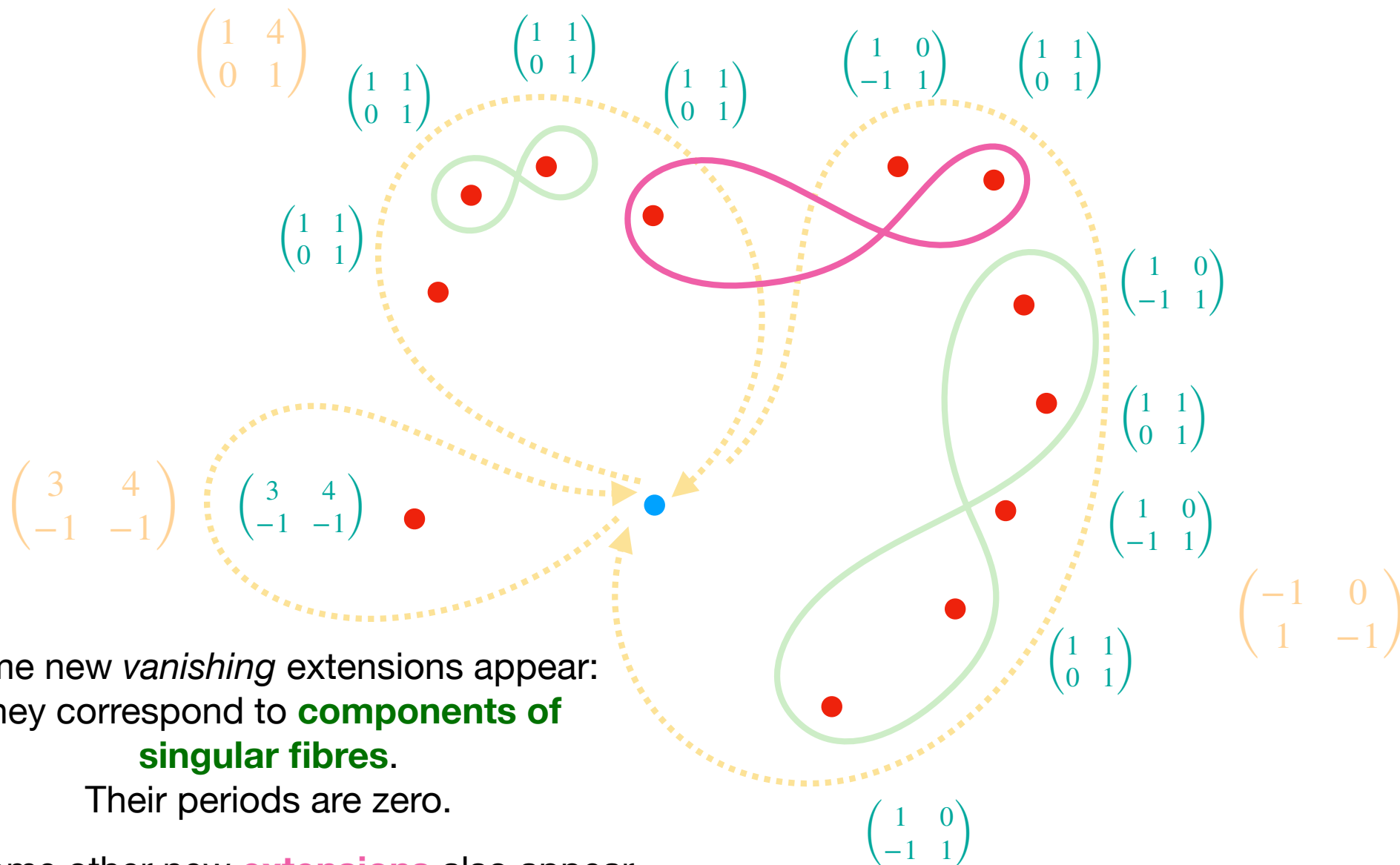
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Some new *vanishing* extensions appear:  
they correspond to **components of  
singular fibres**.

Their periods are zero.

Some other new **extensions** also appear.

# The algorithm for elliptic surfaces

**Theorem [PP 2024]:** The sublattice of  $H_2(S)$  generated by **extensions** of  $S$ , the **section**, the **fibre** and **singular components** has full rank.

only cycles with  
nonzero periods

1. Compute a basis of **simple loops**  $\ell_1, \dots, \ell_r$  of  $\pi_1(\mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \Sigma, b)$
2. For each  $1 \leq i \leq r$ , compute the **monodromy map**  $\ell_{i*}$ .
3. Glue thimbles together to obtain **extension cycles** of  $H_2(S)$ .
4. Integrate the **periods** on these cycles.
5. From the monodromy type of  $\ell_{i*}$ , recover the monodromy matrices of a **morsification**  $\tilde{S}$ .
6. Glue thimbles together to obtain **extension cycles** of  $H_2(\tilde{S})$ .
7. Recover the homology  $H_2(\tilde{S})$  of the morsification (**extensions** + **fibre** + **section**).
8. Describe the extensions of  $H_2(S)$  in terms of the extensions of  $H_2(\tilde{S})$ .
9. Recover the periods of all of  $H_2(S) \simeq H_2(\tilde{S})$ .



# Recovering certain algebraic invariants

**Theorem [Doran Harder PP Vanhove 2024]:** The Tardigrade hypersurface has the same motivic geometry as a quartic K3 surface with six  $A_1$  singularities.

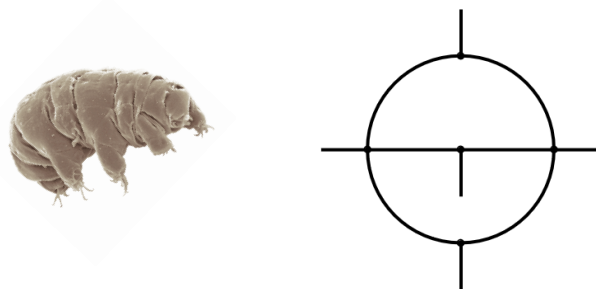


FIGURE 13. The tardigrade graph

Our methods allow to compute the periods of this quartic K3 surface.

From the periods, we recover numerically that  
**its Néron-Severi rank is 11** for generic values of the mass parameters.

## Lefschetz's theorem on (1,1) classes:

A homology class  $\gamma \in H_2(S)$  is in the Néron-Severi group  $NS(S)$  iff the periods of holomorphic forms on  $\gamma$  vanish.

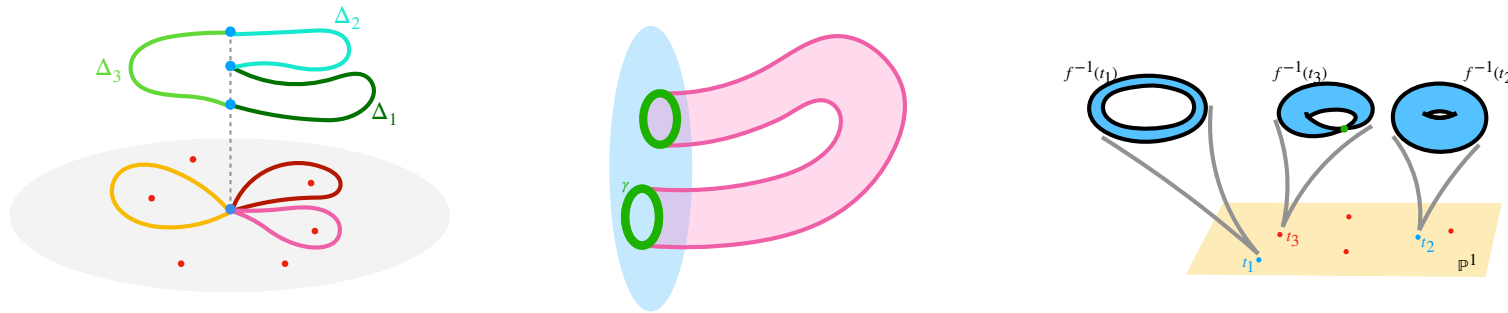
Using the LLL algorithm, we can heuristically recover this kernel by finding integer linear relations between the periods.

From a monodromy computation, we can certify this!

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# Concluding remarks

**New methods** for computing periods of algebraic varieties, **implemented** for hypersurfaces, elliptic surfaces and Lefschetz genus 2 fibered surfaces.



They are sufficiently **efficient** to recover the periods of examples previously out of reach.

$$\mathcal{X} = V \left( \begin{array}{c} x^4 - x^2y^2 - xy^3 - y^4 + x^2yz + xy^2z + x^2z^2 - xyz^2 + xz^3 \\ -x^3w - x^2yw + xy^2w - y^3w + y^2zw - xz^2w + yz^2w - z^3w + xyw^2 \\ + y^2w^2 - xzw^2 - xw^3 + yw^3 + zw^3 + w^4 \end{array} \right)$$

<i>numperiods</i>	<i>lefschetz-family</i>
< 1 s	384 min.
4 s	574 min.
2 min.	510 min.
25 min.	607 min.
346 min.	635 min.
> 2880 min.	494 min.
> 500 Gb	543 min.
> 500 Gb	538 min.

Used these methods to heuristically **compute algebraic invariants** of certain varieties arising in other contexts (mirror symmetry, Feynman integrals, number theory ...)

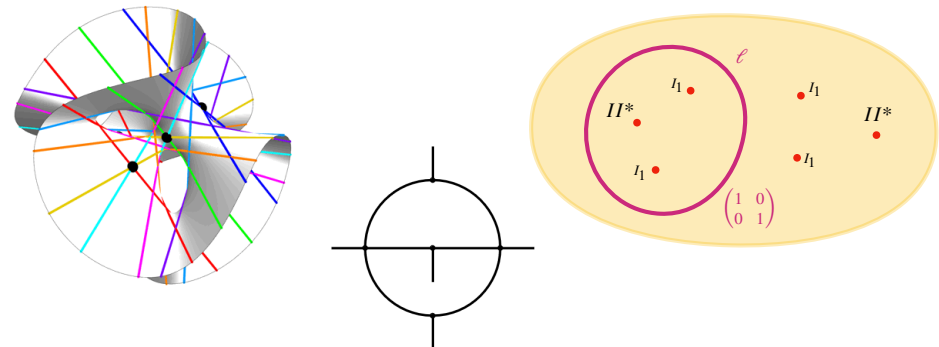
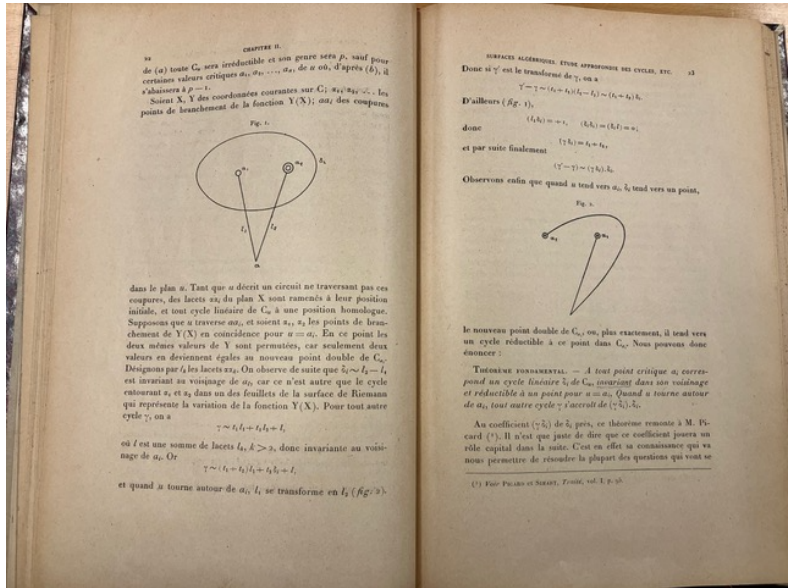


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# Thank you!



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