

On the exactness of Lasserre relaxations of SPIs and POPs

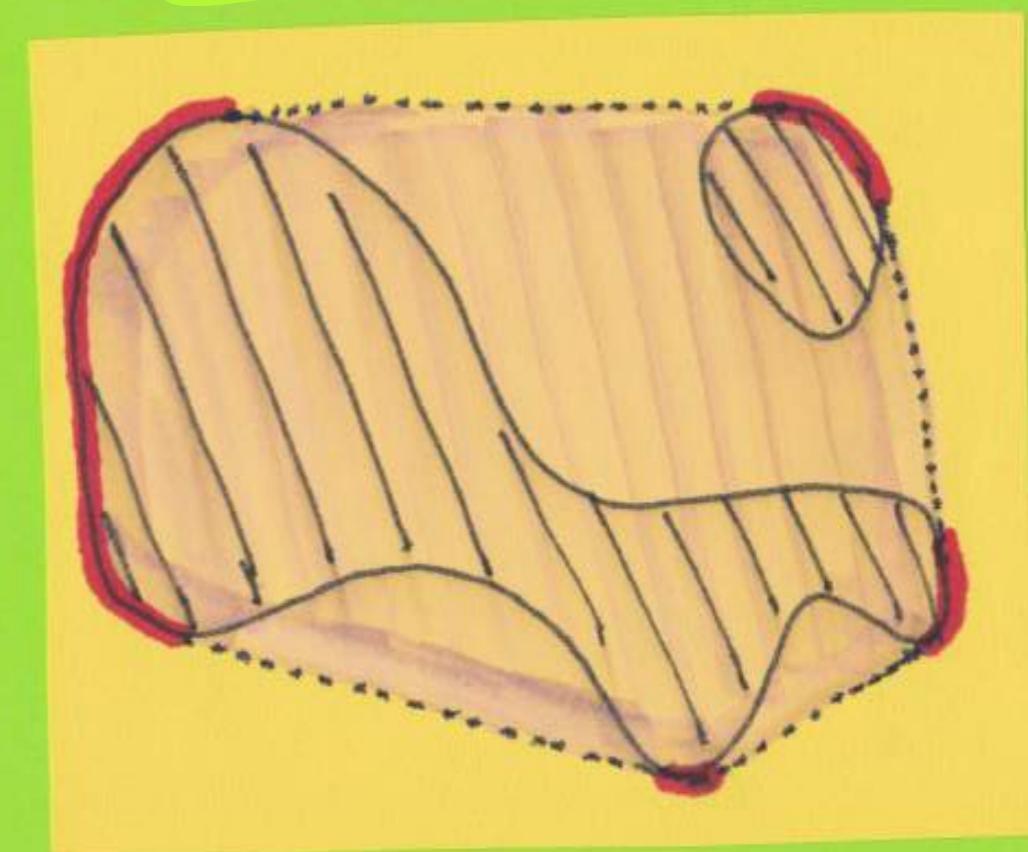
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↑
 psd

polynomial matrix Inequality
of the higher degree

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(ALT)

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natural inequality of
talents

$$\iff \forall a_1, \dots, a_6 \in \mathbb{R} : (-a_1 - a_2 - a_3 - a_4 - a_5 - a_6)^2 \geq 0$$

10.1.1. Concurrent Inheritance

$$\iff \forall a_1, \dots, a_6 \in \mathbb{R} : \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_6 \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & \dots & x_1^5 \\ x_2 & 1 & x_2 & \dots & x_2^5 \\ x_3 & x_3 & 1 & \dots & x_3^5 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_6 & x_6 & x_6 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_6 \end{pmatrix} \geq 0$$

↑
row vector

\uparrow
scalar

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↑
row vector

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix}$$

\uparrow
column
vector

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Symmetric matrix

Symmetric matrix

0

$$\iff \left(\begin{array}{c} 1+2x_1+\dots+y_{17} \\ \vdots \\ y_5 + \dots \end{array} \right) \succeq 0$$

matrix Inequality

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LINEARIZE



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↑ linear inequality of



$$\Leftrightarrow \forall a_1, \dots, a_6 \in \mathbb{R}: \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \geq 0$$

↑ column dominance

EXPAND AND LINEARIZE



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$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

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linear

matrix inequality

↑ linear

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linearization

$$\xrightarrow{\text{LMI}} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{G}_0(x, y) \succeq 0 \\ \tilde{G}_1(x, y) \succeq 0 \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{G}_m(x, y) \succeq 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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1

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$$g_m(x) \geq 0$$

POP

reformulation

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## Linearization

minimize  $\tilde{f}(x, y)$   
over all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n, y \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\text{s.t. } \tilde{G}_0(x, y) \geq 0$$

$$\tilde{G}_1(x, y) \succeq 0$$

$$\tilde{e}_{xy}(x,y) \neq 0$$

LMI

SD

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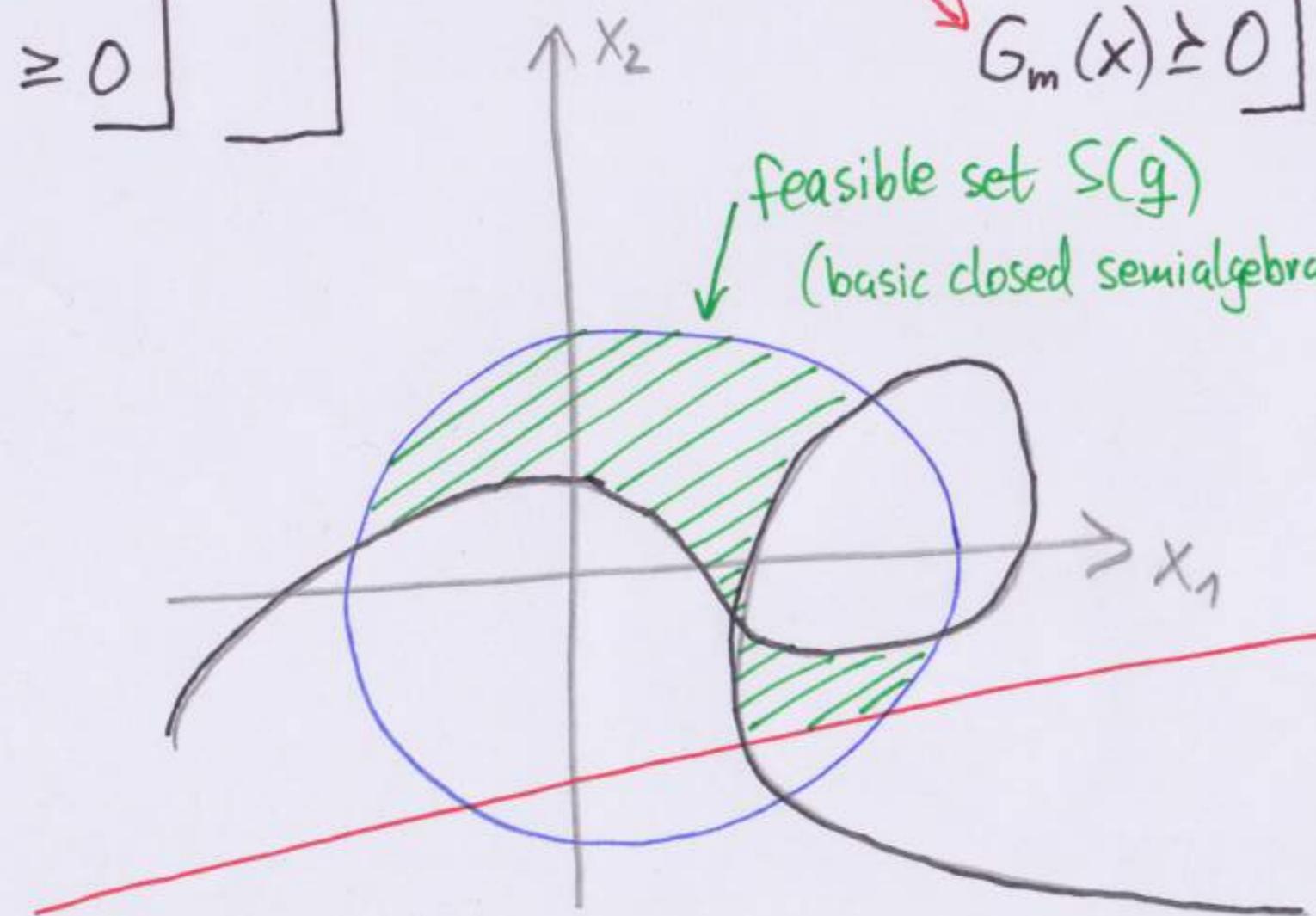
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⋮

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feasible set  $S(g)$

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den

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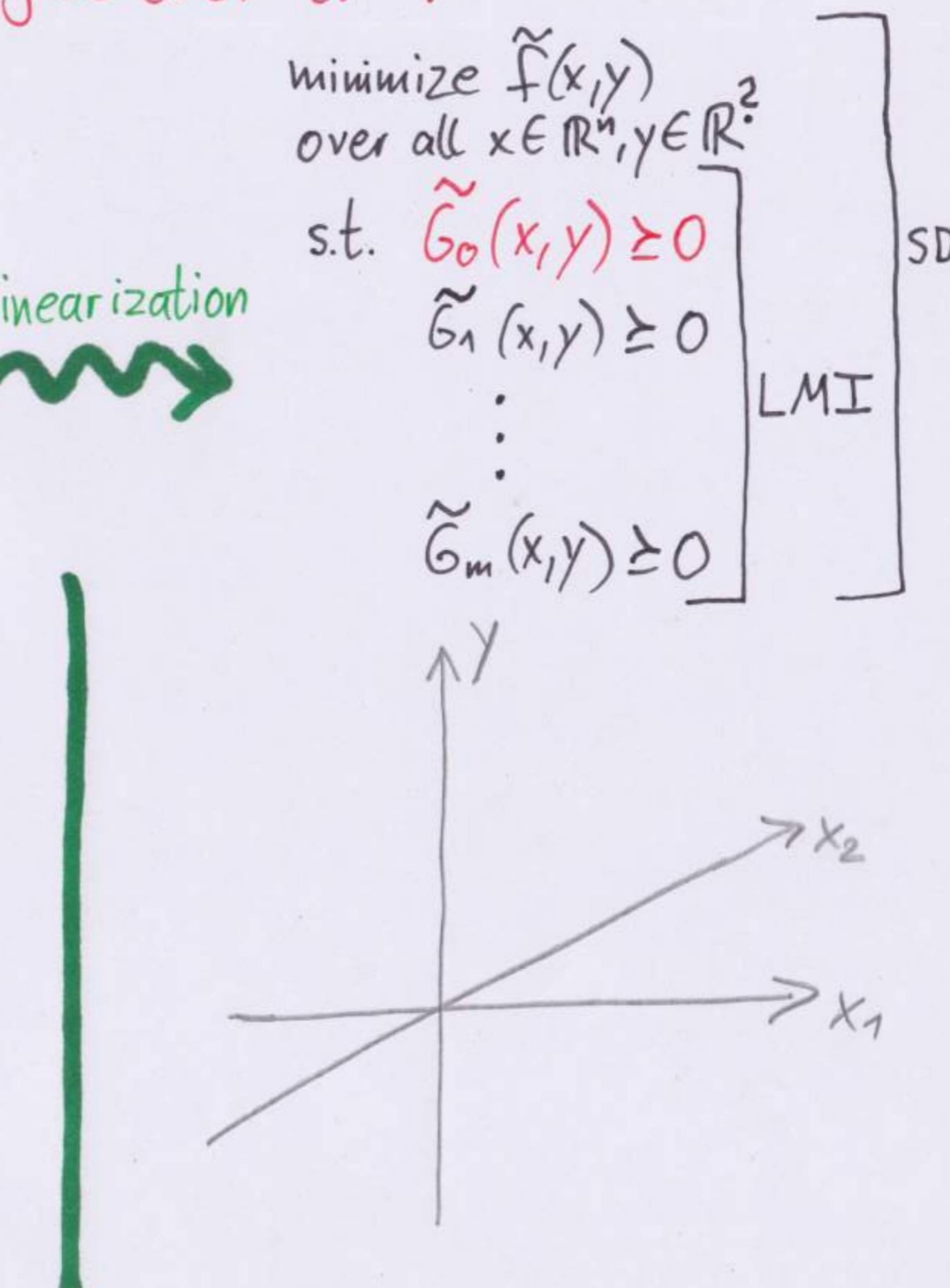
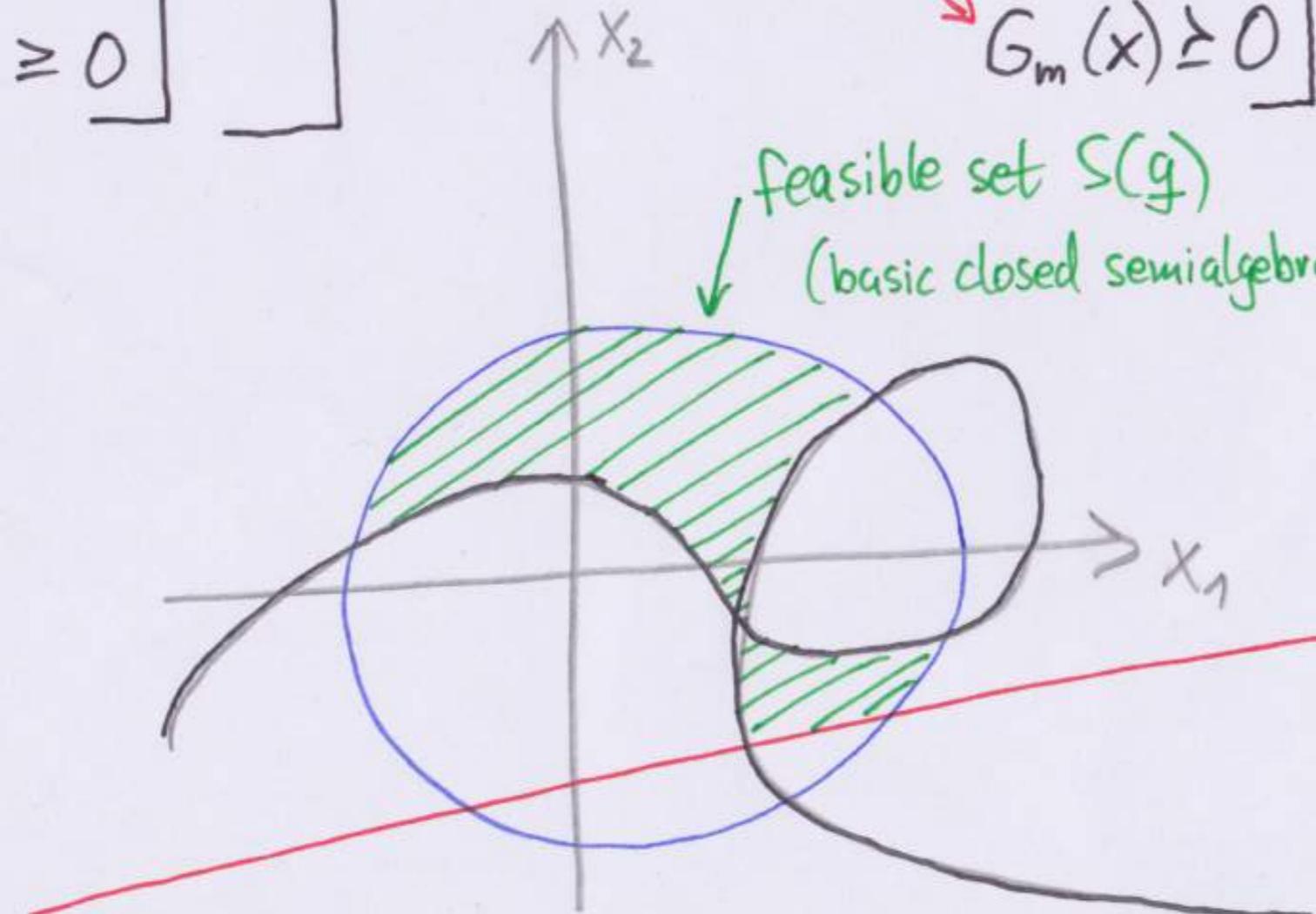
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PM

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POP

## reformulation

SPTI

~~Minimize  $f(x)$~~

~~over all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$~~

s.t.  $G_0(x) \leq$

$$G_1(x) > 0$$

$$S_1(x) =$$

2

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deno

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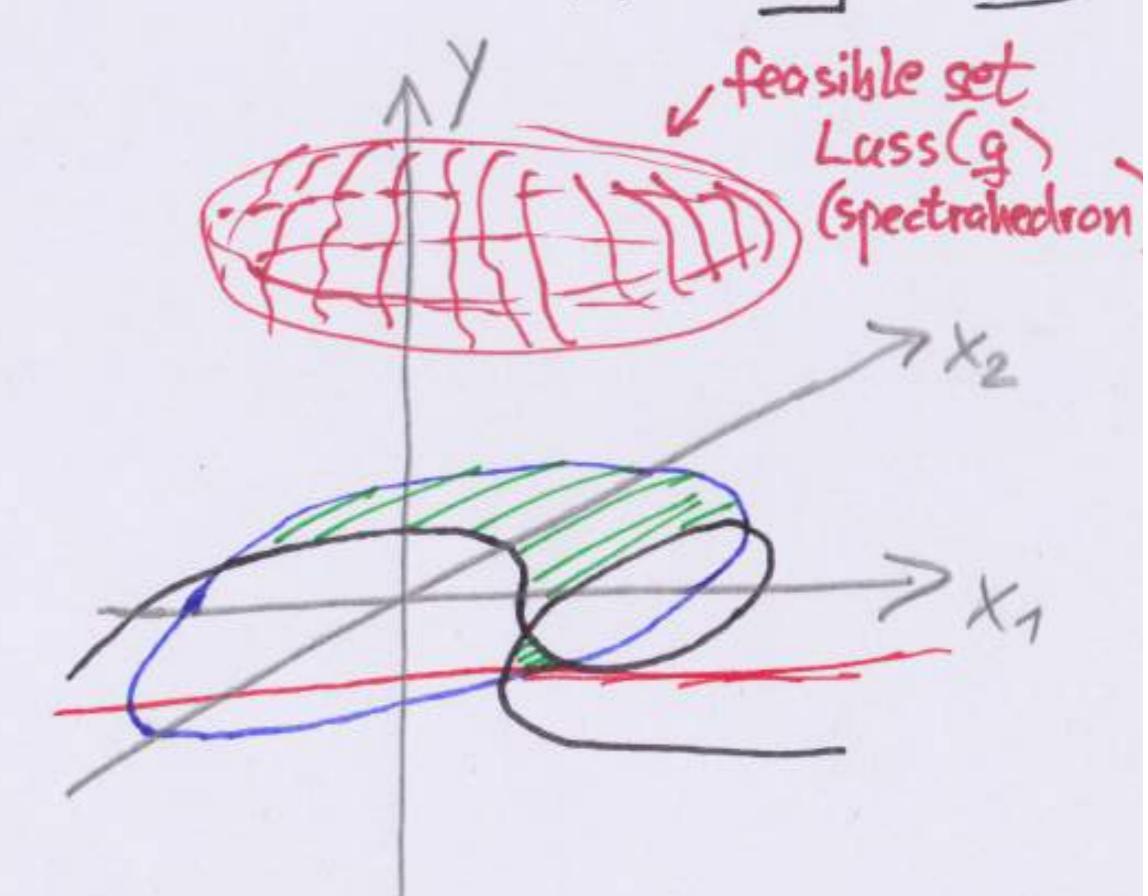
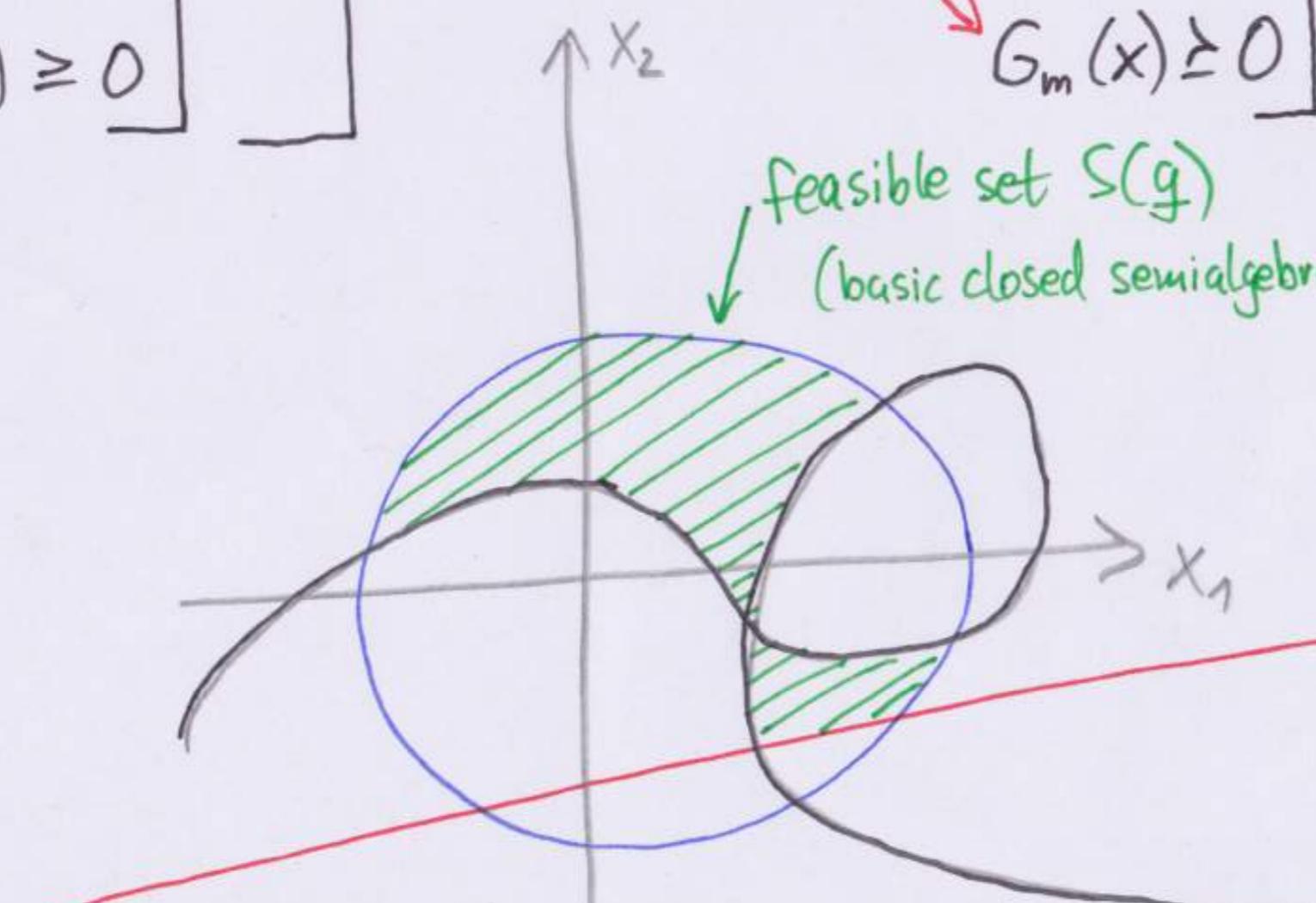
LMT

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Obviously,  $S(g) \subseteq \dots \subseteq S_{d+1}(g) \subseteq S_d(g) \subseteq \dots$  "SPLs through LMIs"  
 and  $\text{opt}(f, g) \geq \dots \geq \text{opt}_{d+1}(f, g) \geq \text{opt}_d(f, g)$  "POPs through SDPs"

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proof uses real closed fields

$\forall g : \forall \text{ complexity bounds } : \exists d_0 : \forall f \text{ of bounded complexity} : \forall d \geq d_0 : \text{opt}_d(f, g) = \text{opt}(f, g)$ .

## The result for convex sets

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"Hessian negative definite on tangent space"

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Rough intuition: mountain hike

mountain: subgraph of  $h$   
 $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R} \mid y \leq h(x)\}$

your ground position:  $x$

Can a bird flying a straight line at constant altitude crash into you?



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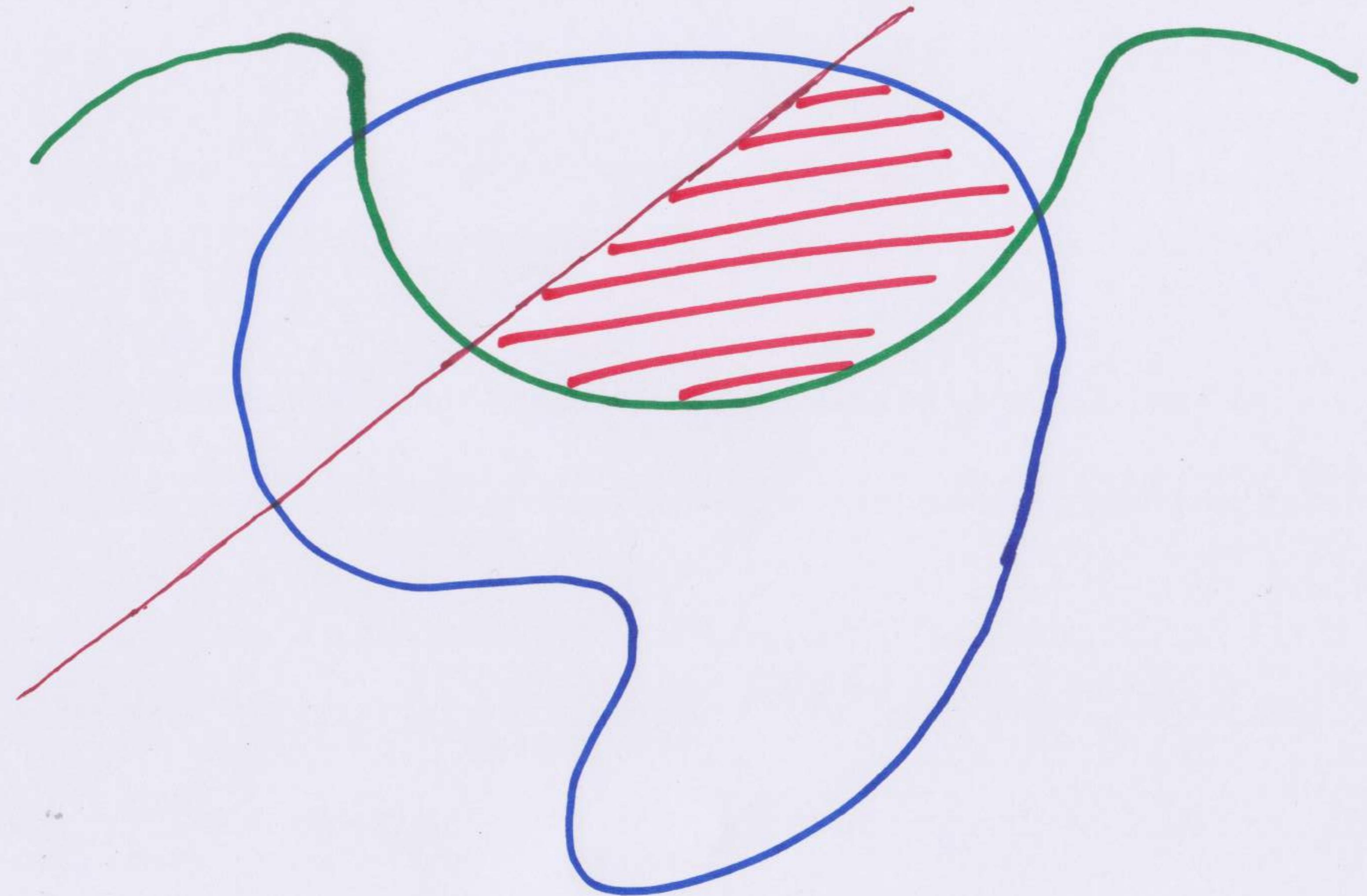
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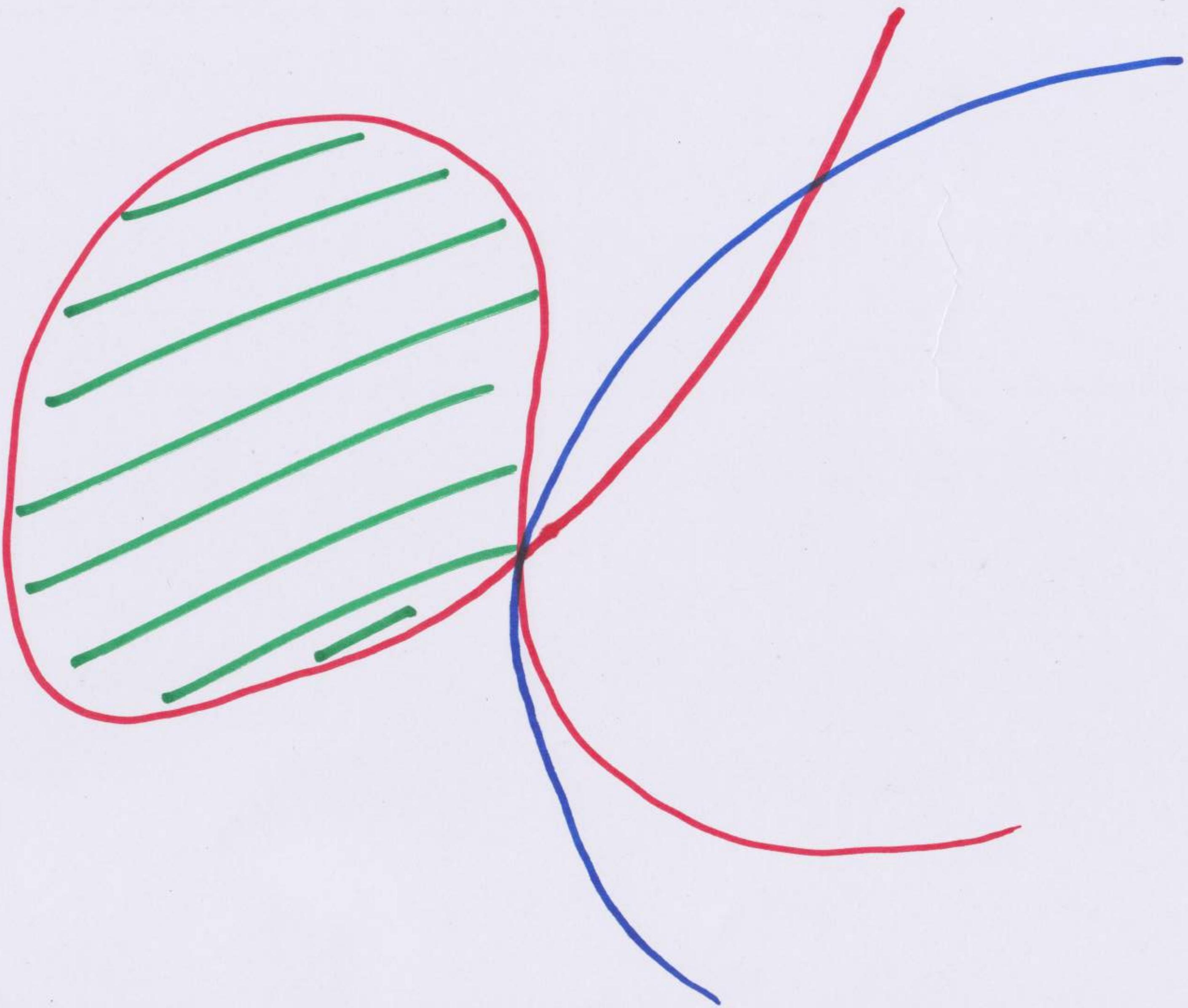
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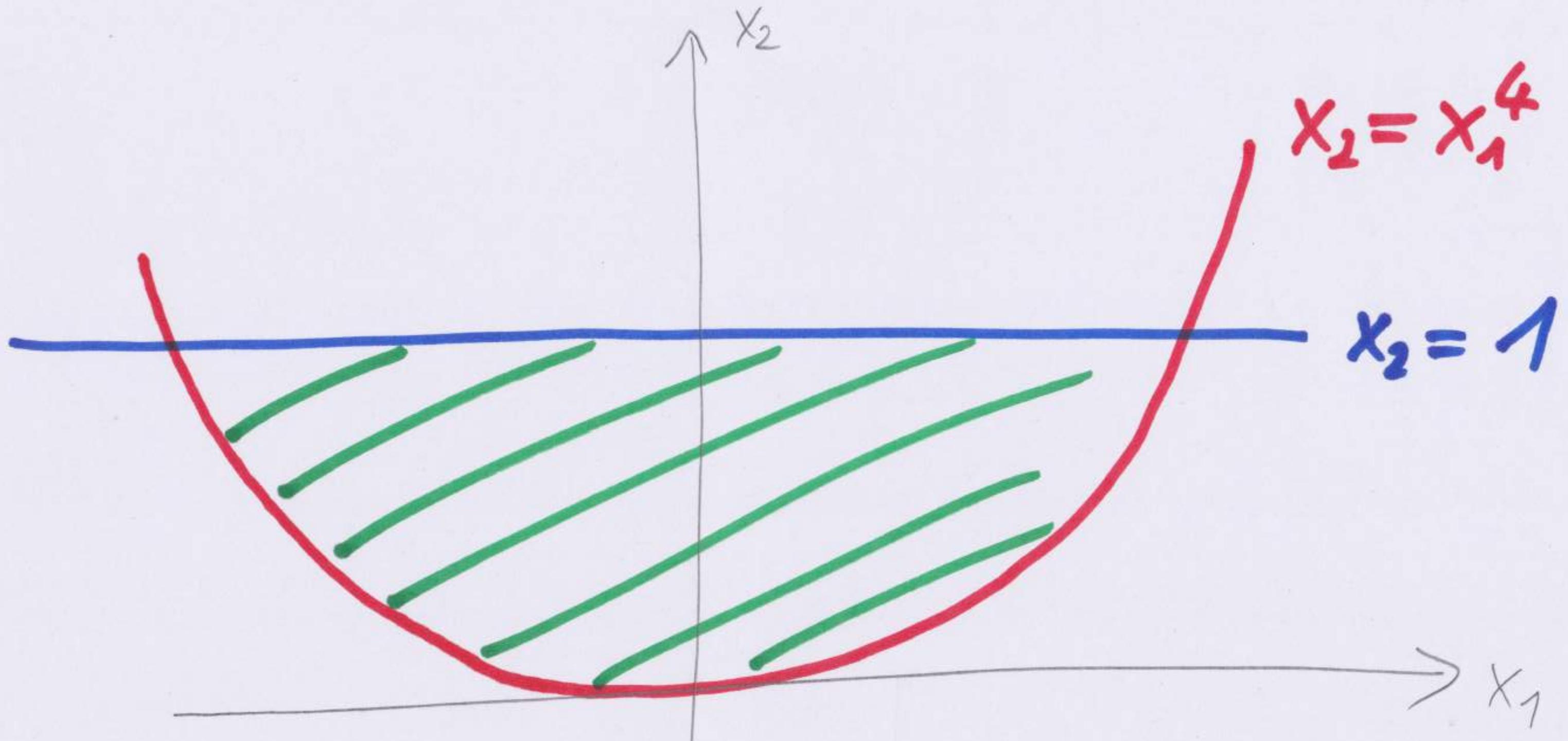
Suppose  $S(g)$  is **convex** with nonempty interior.

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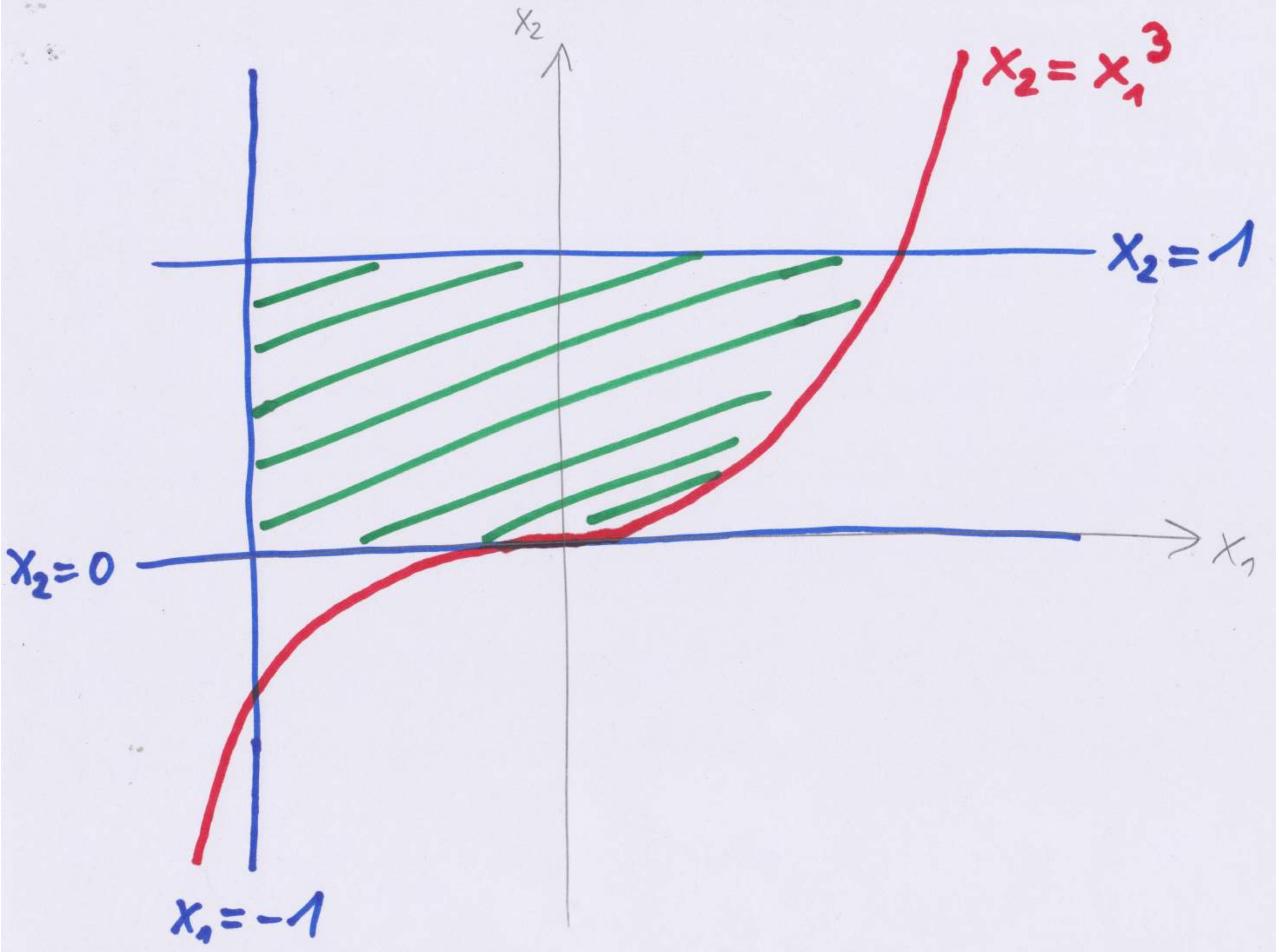
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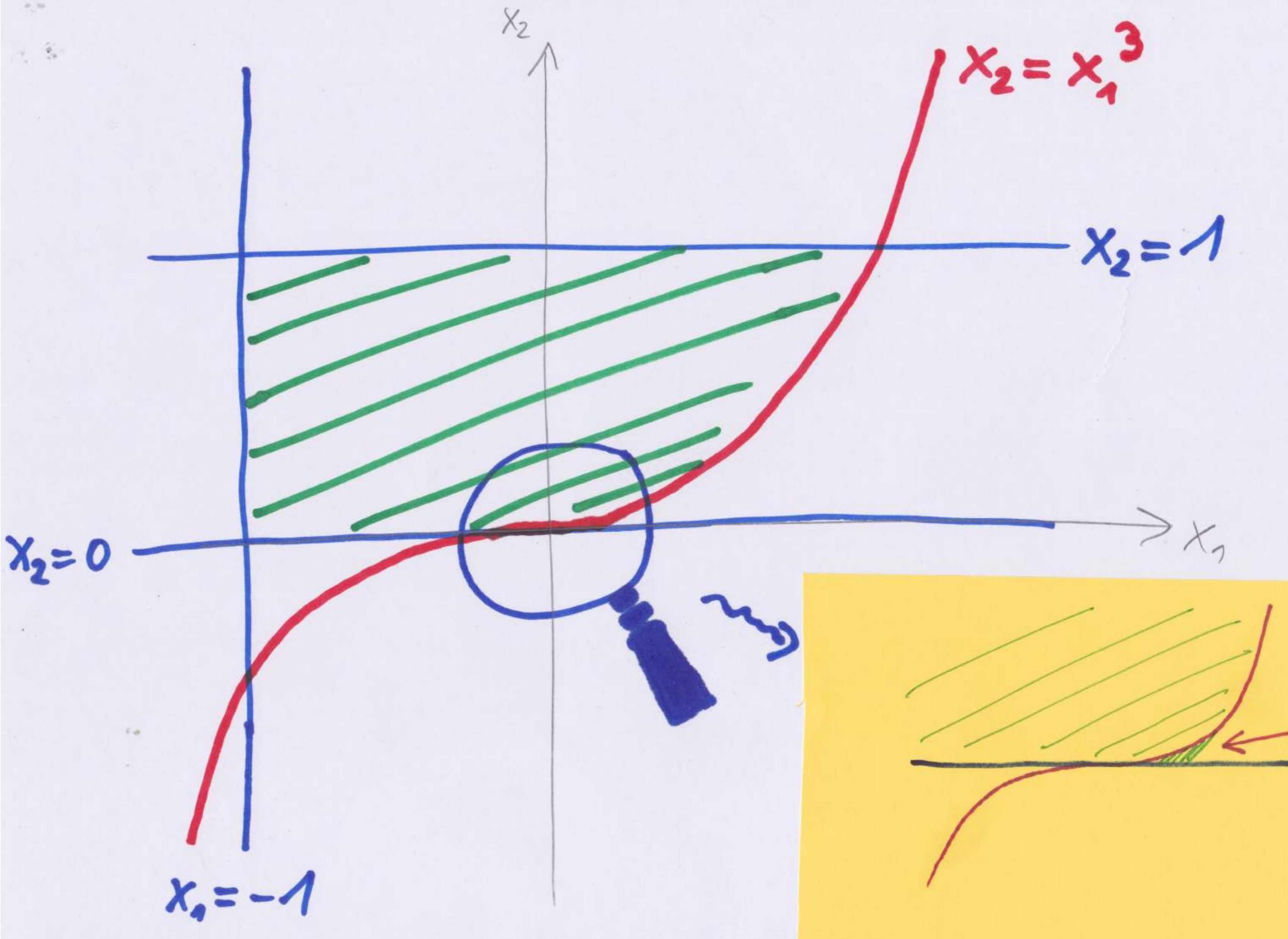






$$\text{Hess}(x_2 - x_1^4) = \begin{pmatrix} -12x_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$





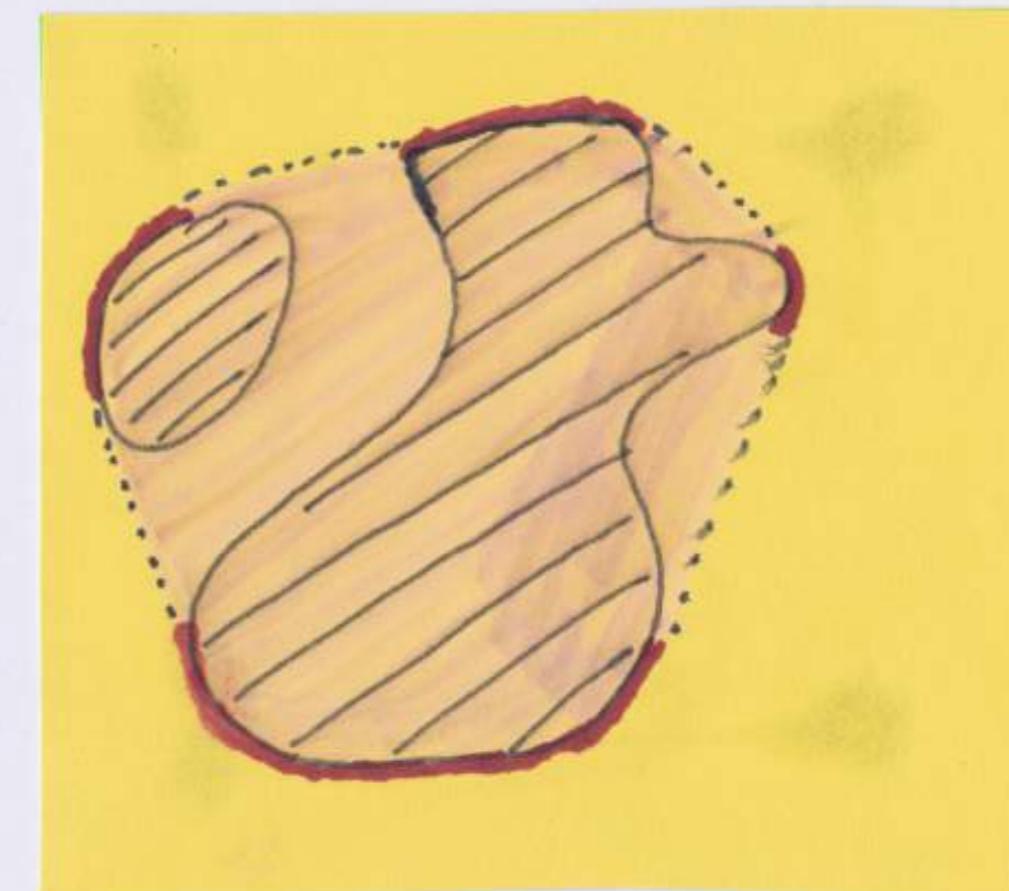
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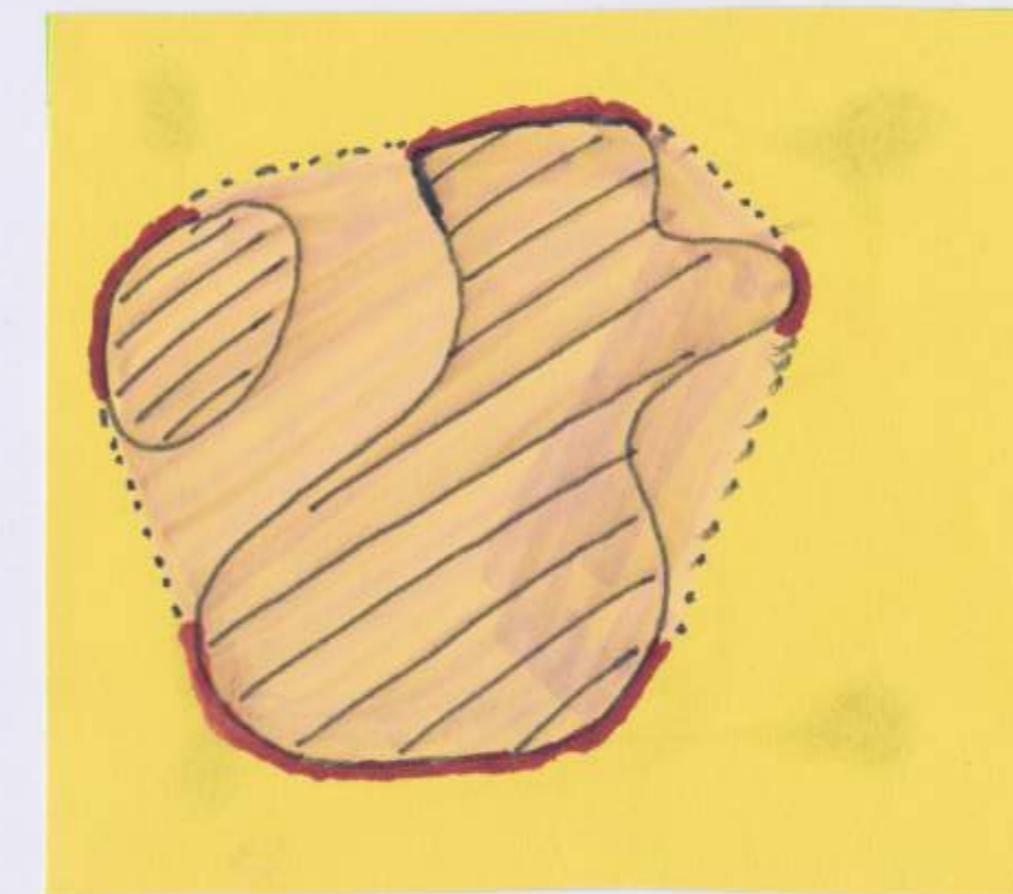
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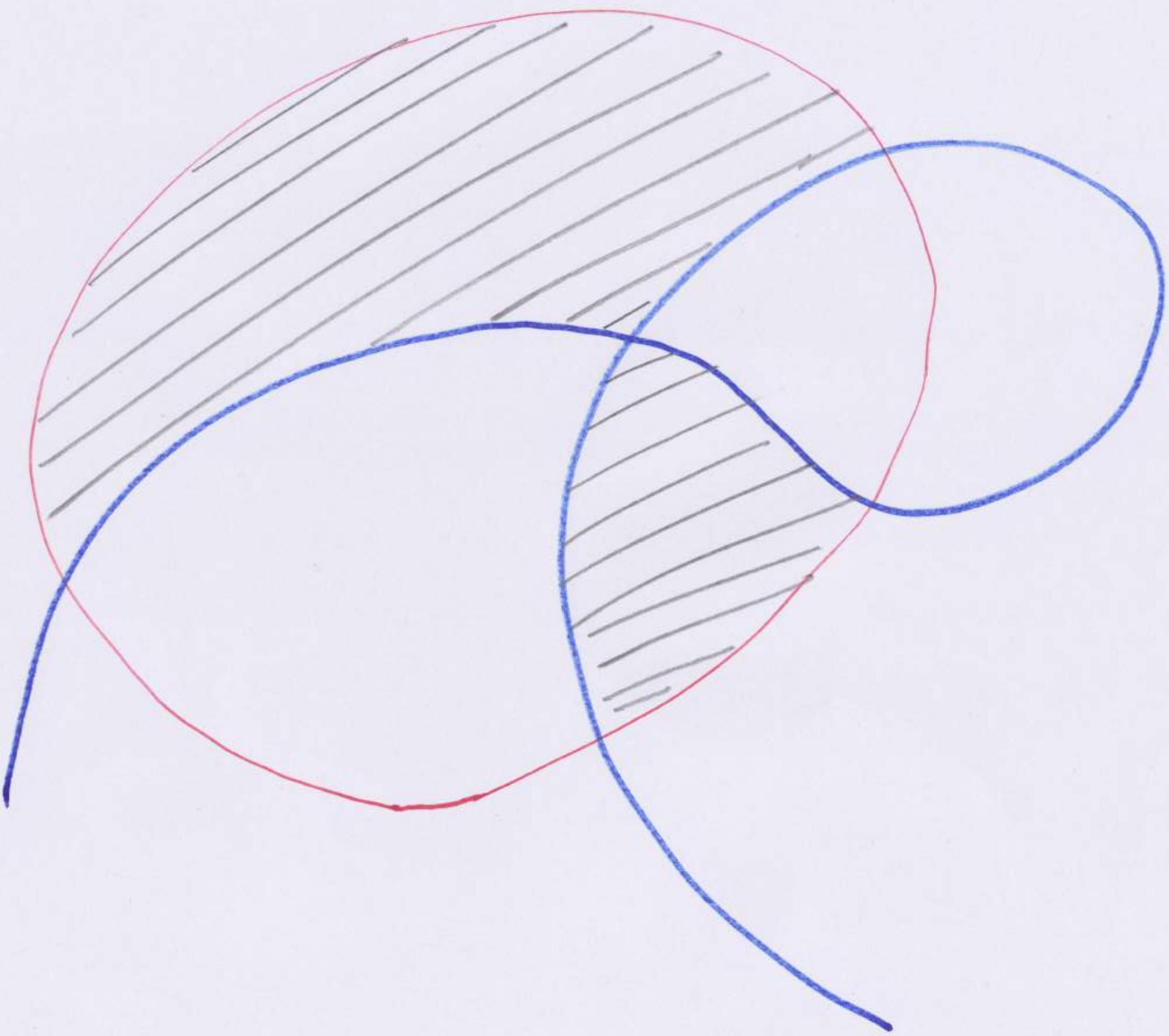


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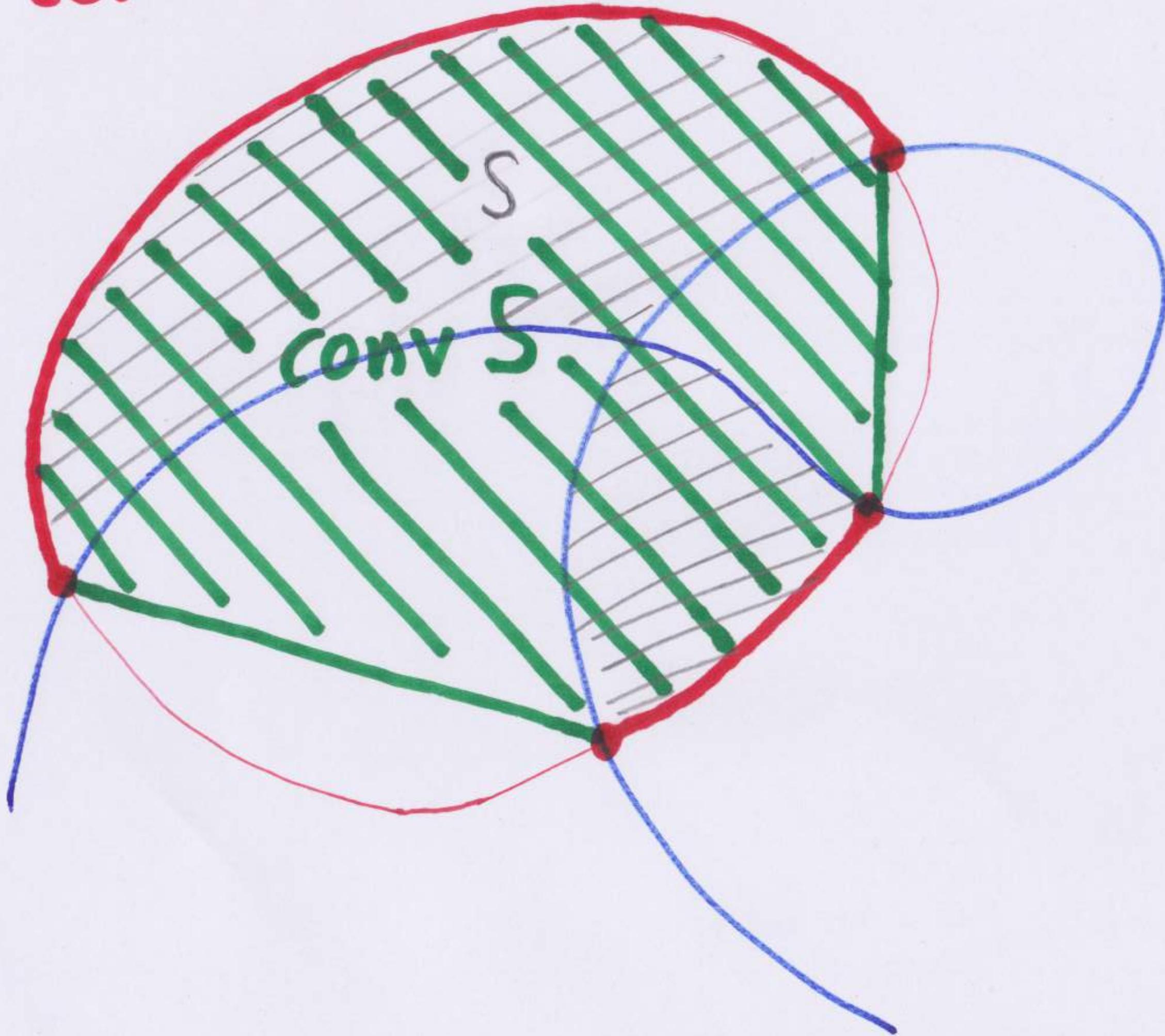
Suppose that  $S(g)$  has nonempty interior near its convex boundary and each  $g_i$  is strictly quasiconcave on  $(\text{convbd } S) \cap Z(g_i)$ .

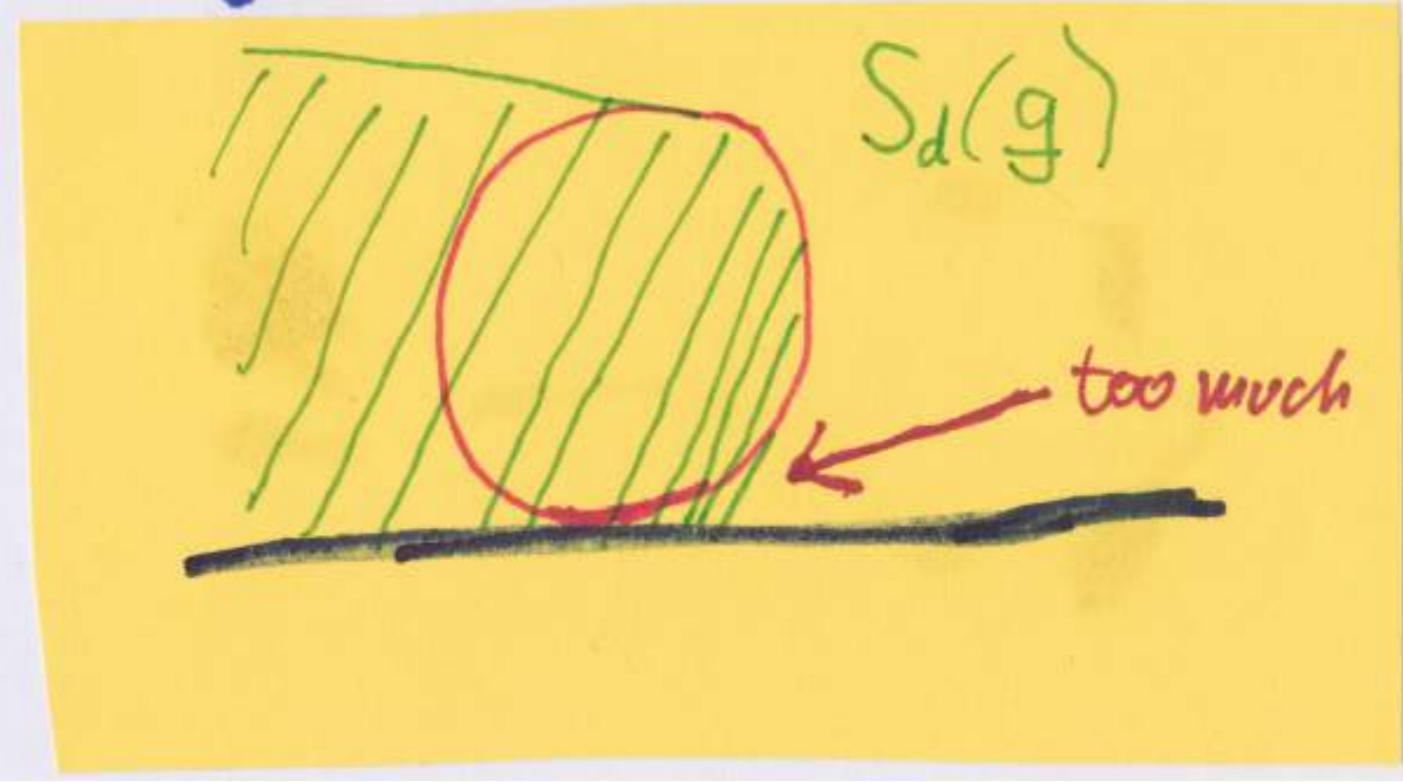
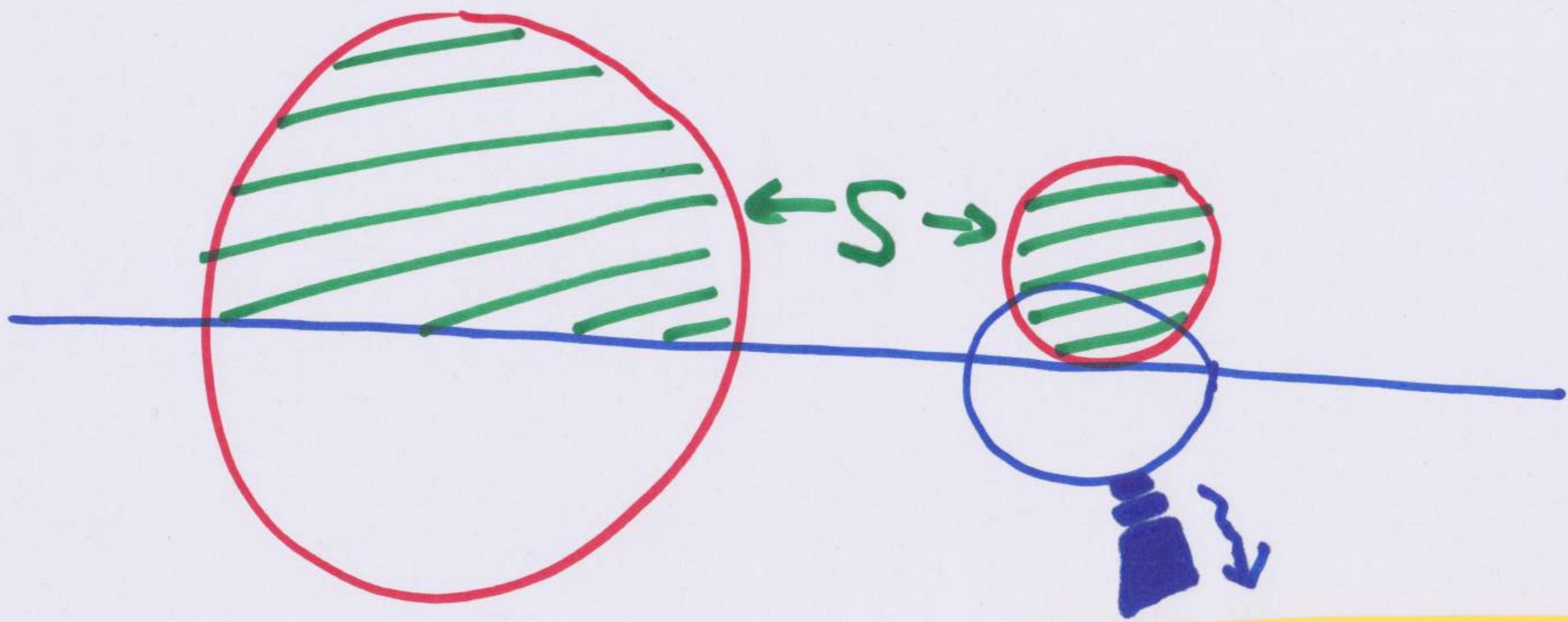
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Proof uses real closed fields!



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and contained in  $S(g)$  and if we have

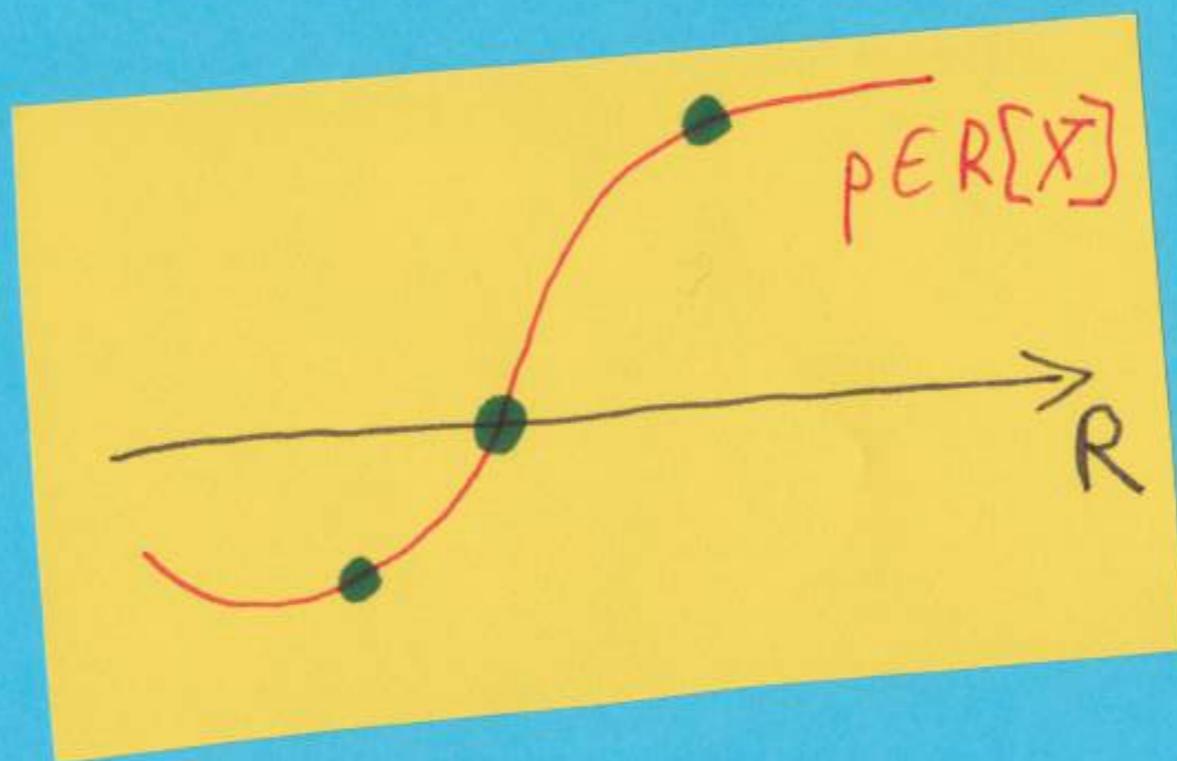
$$f \geq \text{opt}(f, g) + \varepsilon U \text{ on } S(g)$$

where  $U := U_{x_1} \cdots U_{x_k} \in \mathbb{R}[\underline{x}]$ , then  $f - \text{opt}(f, g) \in M_d(g)$

and consequently  $\text{opt}(f, g) = \text{opt}_d(f, g)$ .

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For  $x \in \mathcal{O}^n$ , we set  $I_x := (X_1 - x_1, \dots, X_n - x_n) = \{f \in \mathcal{O}[X] \mid f(x) = 0\}$

so that

$$I_x^2 = \{f \in \mathcal{O}[X] \mid f(x) = 0, Df(x) = 0\}.$$

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Proof idea. Assume  $f \notin M$ . Separate  $f$  from the cone  $M \cap I$

in the real vector space  $I := \mathcal{I}_{x_1}^2 \cdots \mathcal{I}_{x_k}^2 \stackrel{\text{Chinese}}{=} \mathcal{I}_{x_1}^2 \cap \cdots \cap \mathcal{I}_{x_k}^2$ .

Choose extremal separating functional (real valued!) ...

$\Omega_R^n$ 

line  $l(x) = 0$

$l \in \Omega_R[x]$

Lagrange multipliers from  $\Omega_{\geq 0} \subseteq \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$