

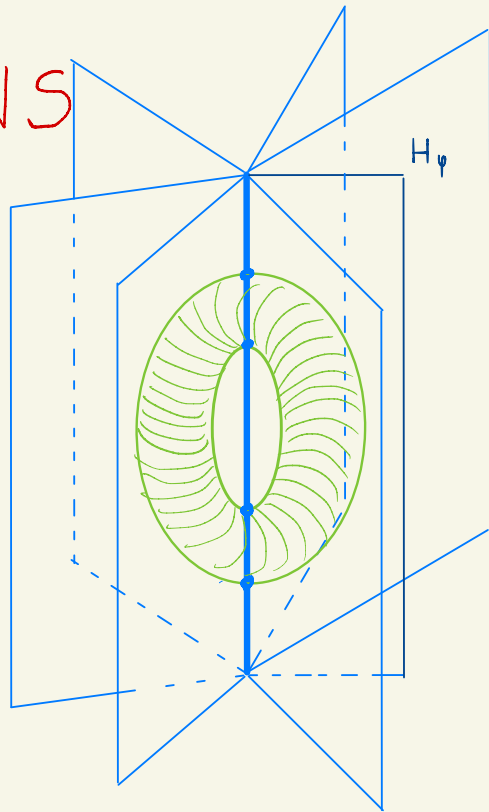
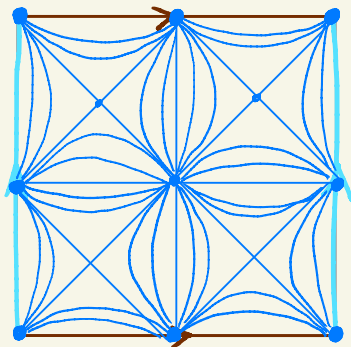
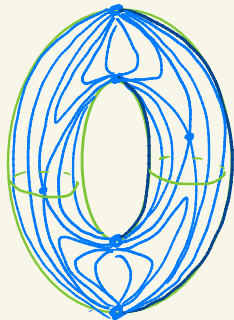
# RECOGNISING



# OPEN BOOK FOLIATIONS

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## OVERVIEW

- open book foliation "=" open book  $\cap$  surface



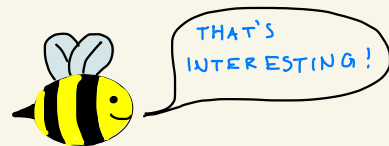
oriented singular foliation

Question: Which oriented singular foliations are open book foliations?

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## PLAN:

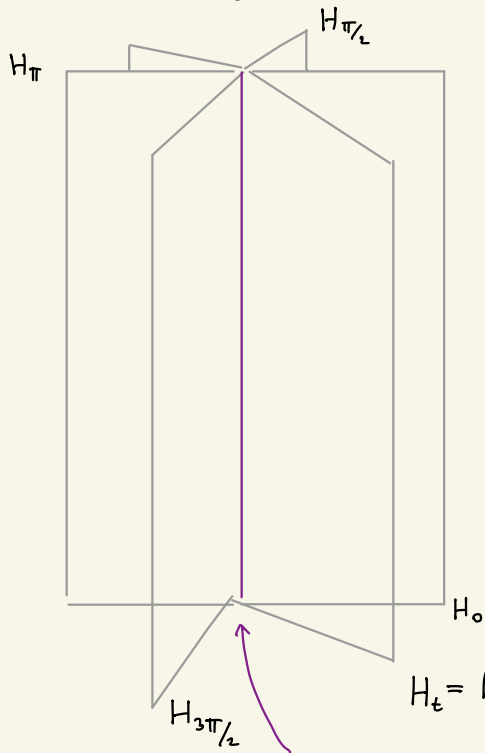
- braid foliations
- open book foliations
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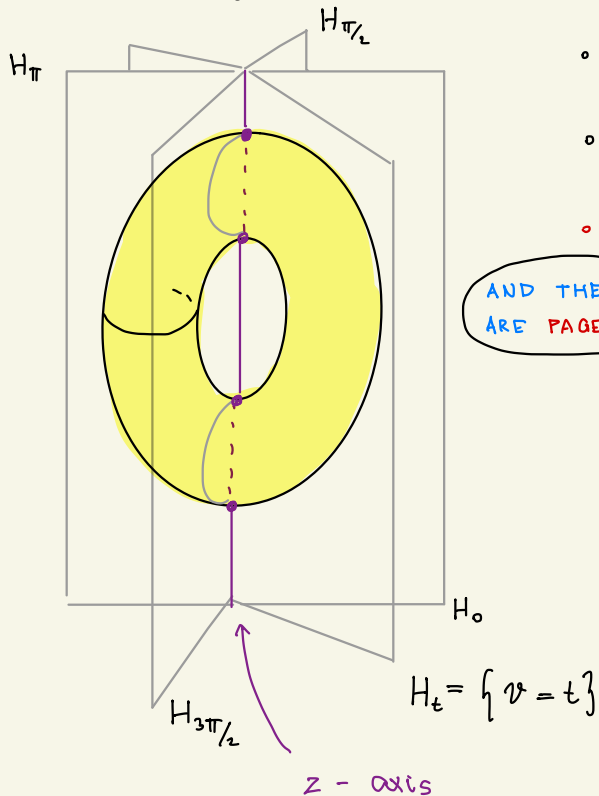


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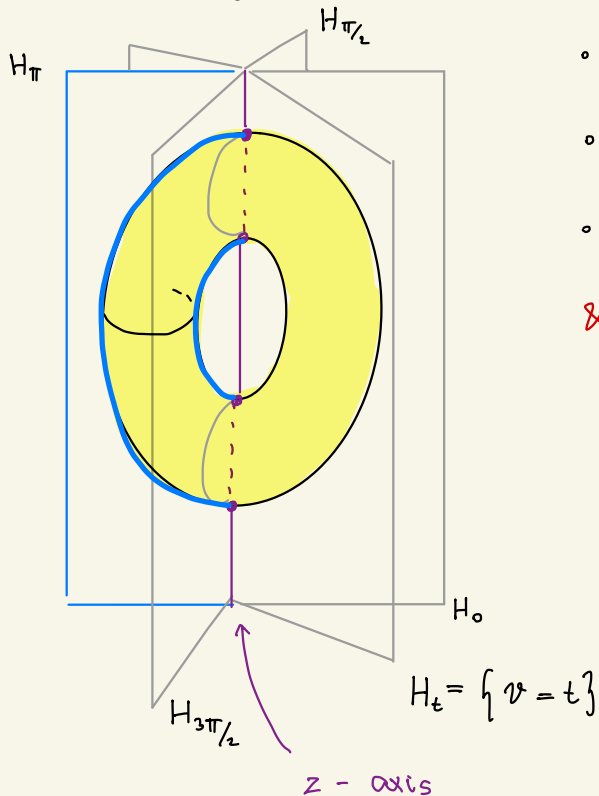
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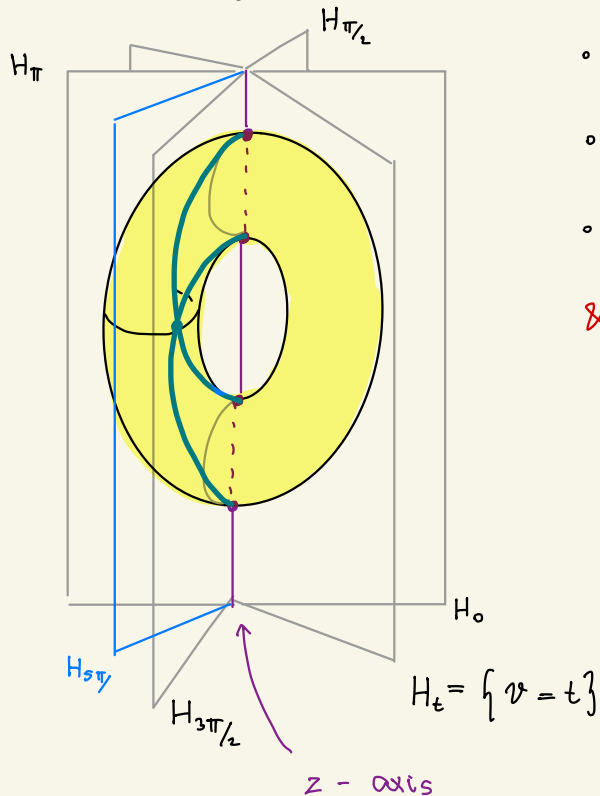
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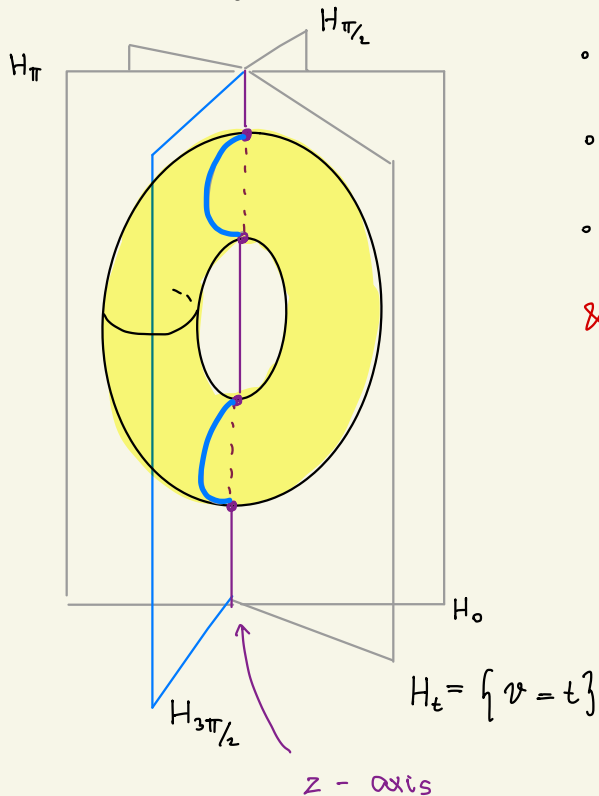
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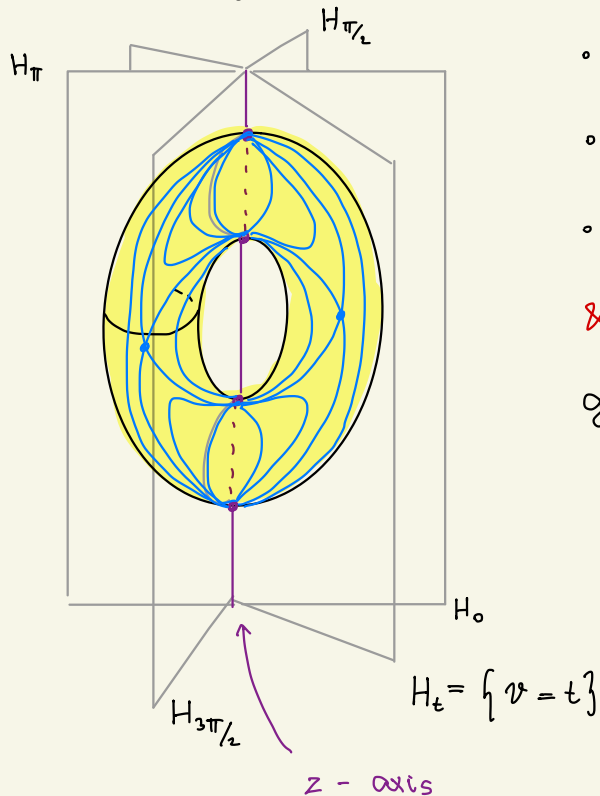
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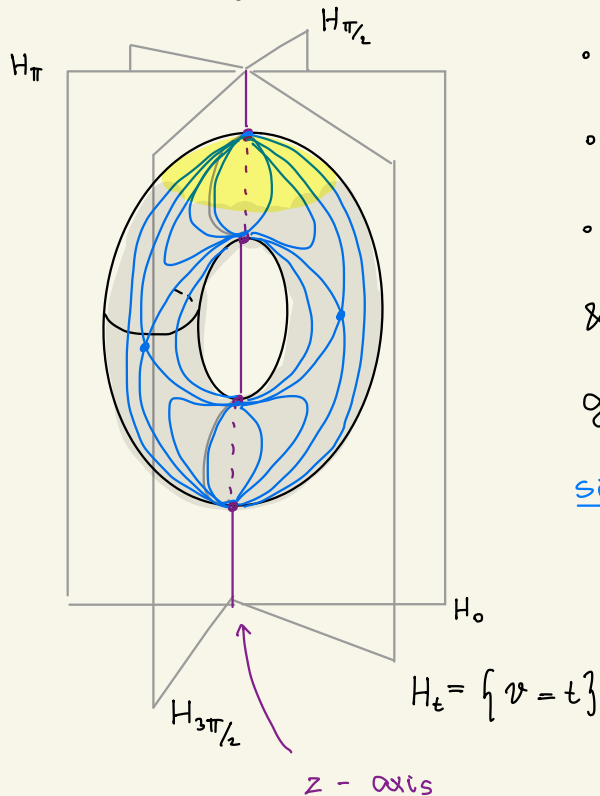
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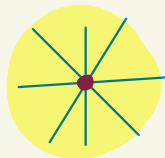
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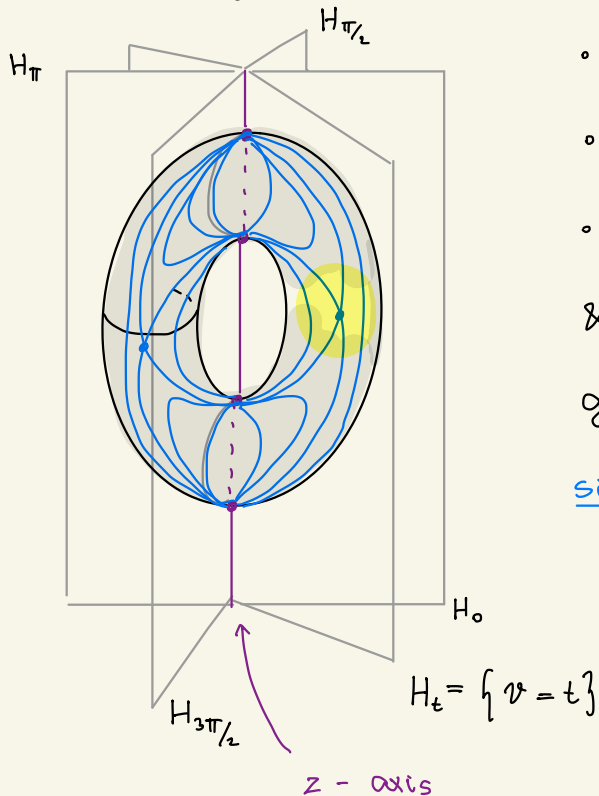


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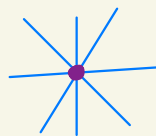
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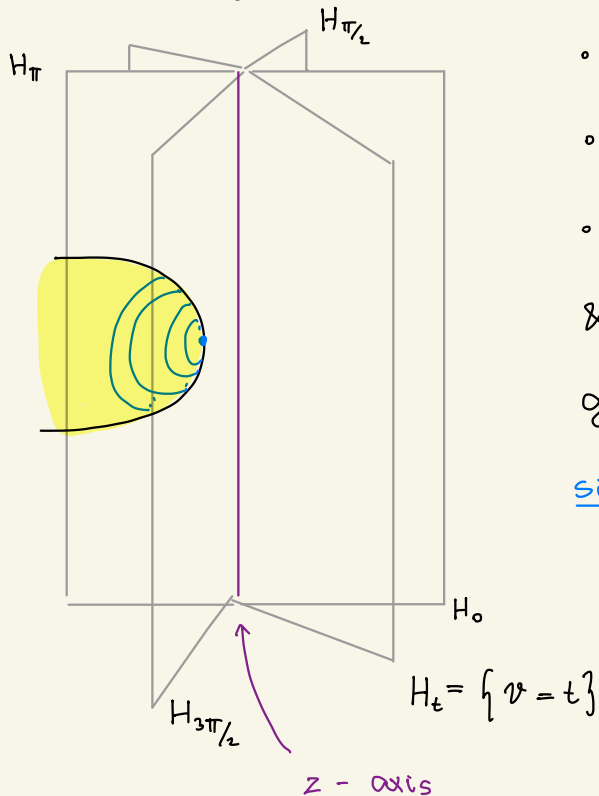


saddle

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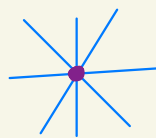
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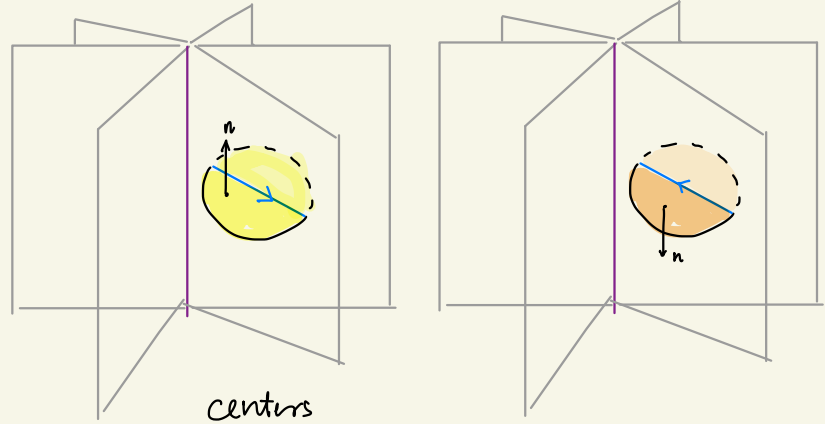


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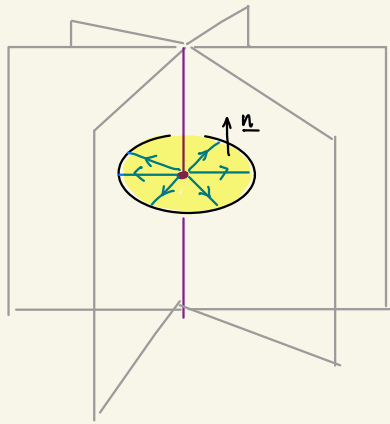


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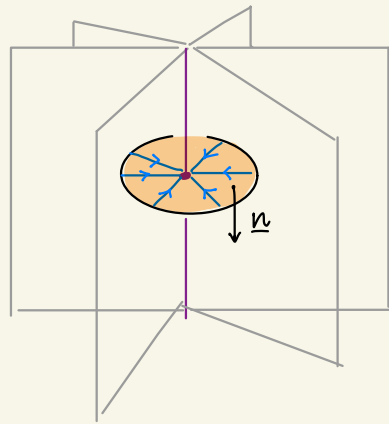
we can orient the leaves :



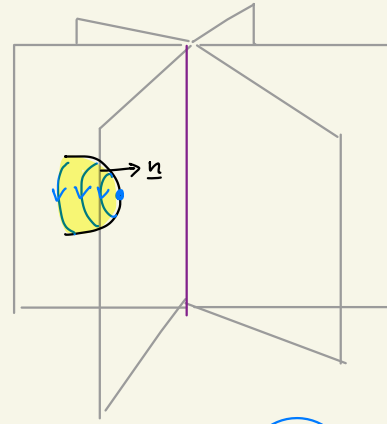
⇒ two types of nodes



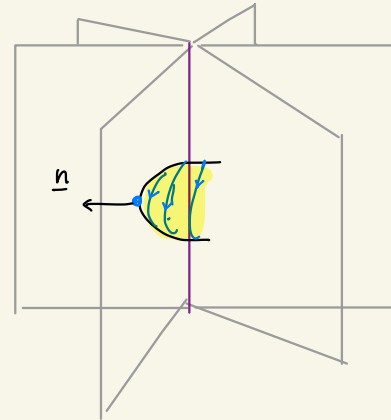
source



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"max"

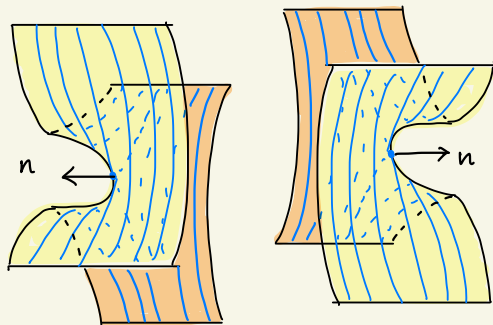


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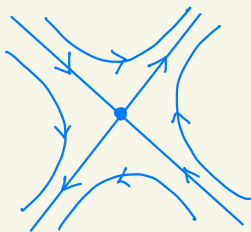


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there is also two types of saddles

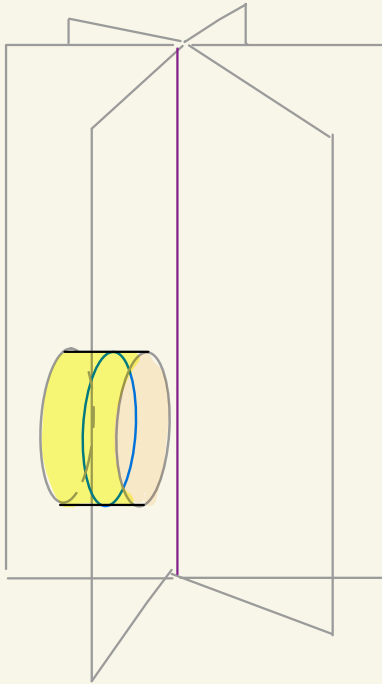


but we cannot distinguish them just from the foliation



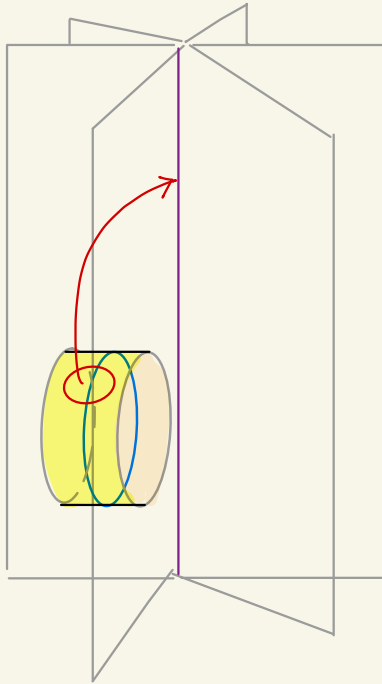
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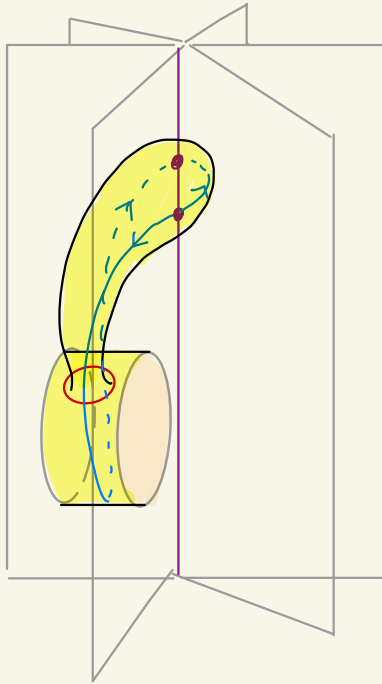
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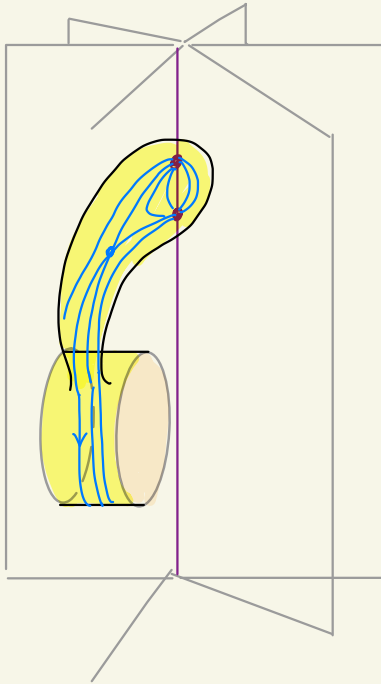


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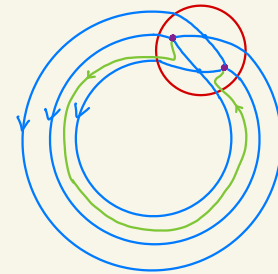
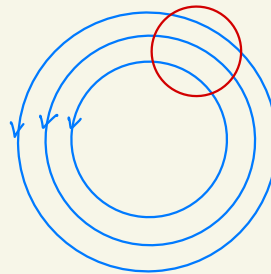


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⇒ the circle breaks into pieces

& no more nearby circles are

created :



& it fills an interval-waths of circles

⇒ can remove all circles by finitely many finger-moves

## WHAT BRAID FOLIATIONS ARE USED FOR?

- Bennequin 1980:  $(\mathbb{R}^3, \xi = \ker(dz - ydx))$  is tight
- Birman - Menasco 1990s: - Markov Theorem w/o stabilisation  
- construction of transversally nonsimple knots  
...
- Dynnikov - Prasolov 2018: computing Legendrian grid number
- LaFountain - Menasco, Dynnikov - Prasolov 2013 generalised Jones conjecture



# OPEN BOOK DECOMPOSITIONS

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$M^3$

$B^1 \hookrightarrow M \xrightarrow{\pi} S^1$  fibration,  $S_t := \pi^{-1}(t)$  & near  $B$  we have

bending



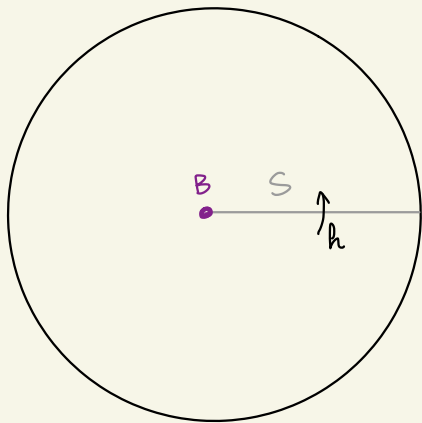
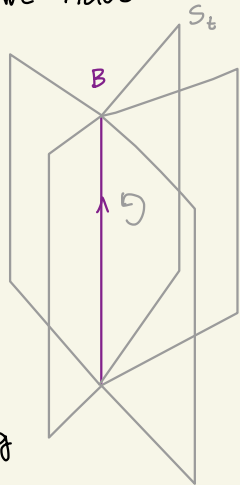
I TOLD YOU:  
BINDING

$\Rightarrow$  We can think of  $M \setminus B$  as a mapping cylinder of  $(S, h)$ :

$$S \times I / (x, 1) \sim (h(x), 0)$$

& we obtain  $M$  by further identifying

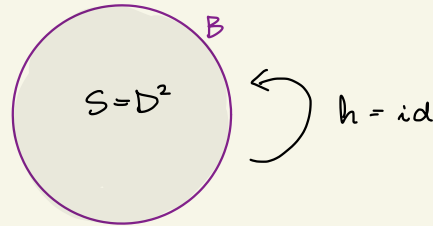
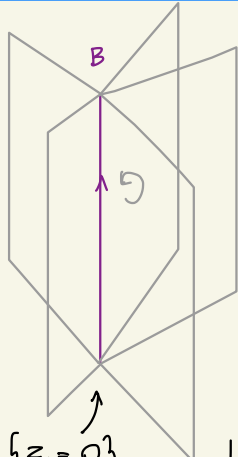
$$(x, t) \sim (x, t') \quad \begin{array}{l} x \in \partial S \\ t, t' \in I \end{array}$$



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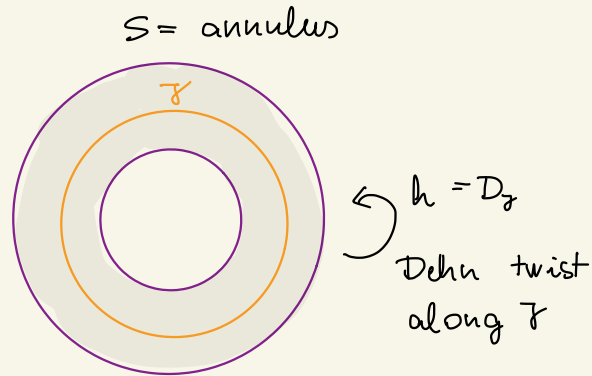
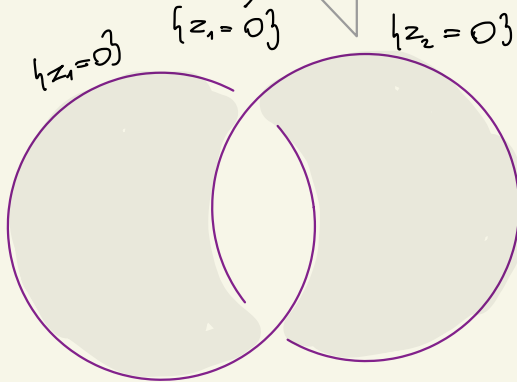
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 $(z_1, z_2)$

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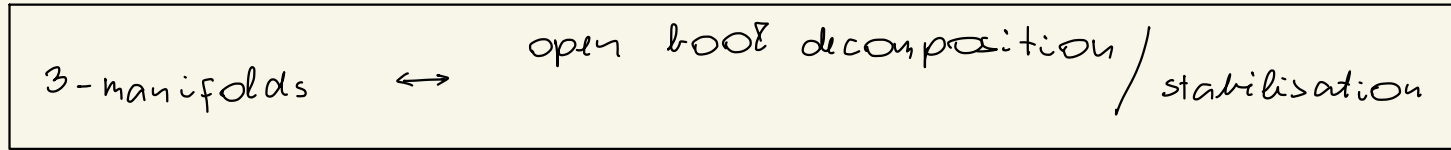


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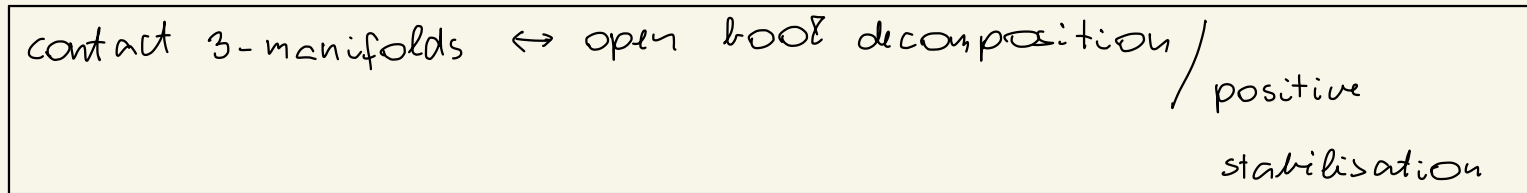
(annulus,  $D_\gamma^{-1}$ )

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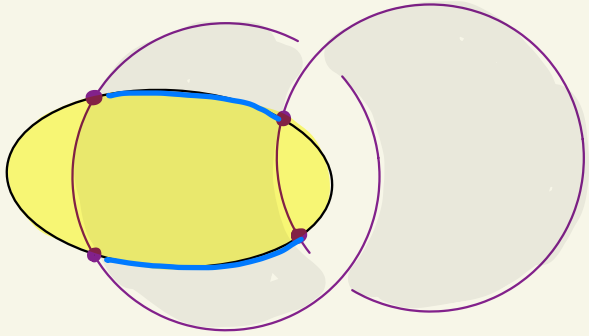
- any 3-manifold admits an open book
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- open books actually describe contact 3-manifolds
- & open books describing the same contact 3-manifold are related by *positive stabilisation*

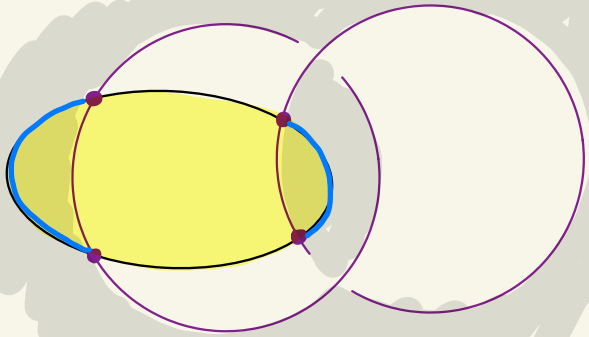


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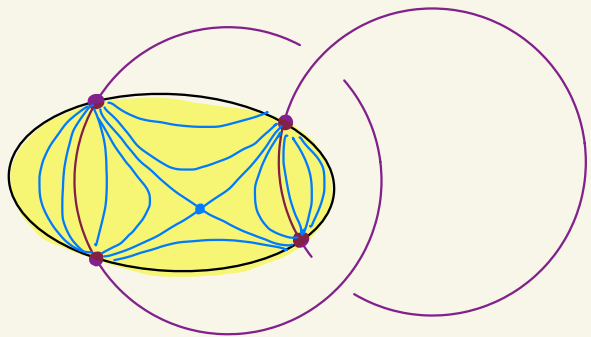
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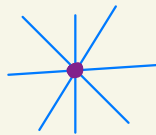


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singularities:



node



saddle



center



THESE ARE  
HARD TO DRAW!

& just as before one can get rid of circle leaves & thus centers



## WHAT OPEN BOOK FOLIATIONS ARE USED FOR?


- Pavel Su: Maslov theorem for braids in general open books
- Ito - Kawamuro:
  - better understanding of open books of overtwisted contact structures
  - computing self-linking number
  - ...
- Licata - V: defined a nicely glueable version of open books for 3-manifolds w/ bdy
- Alishahi - Földvári - Hendriks - Petlova - V: define glueable contact invariant in bordered Floer homology

Key: understand open book foliations

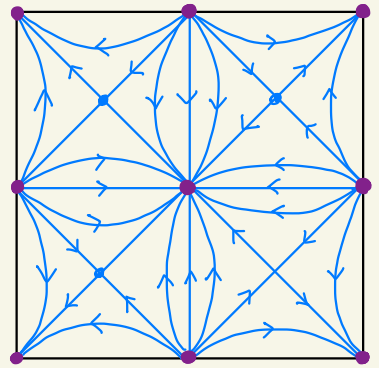


SO LET'S DO IT!


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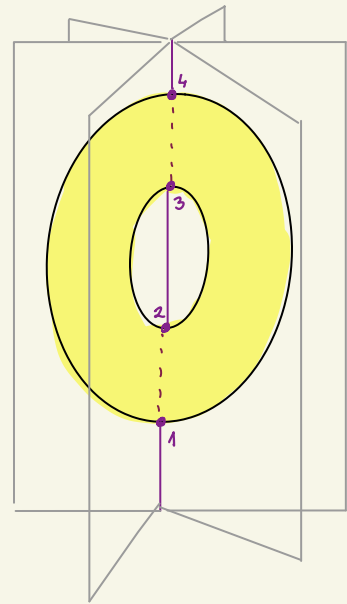
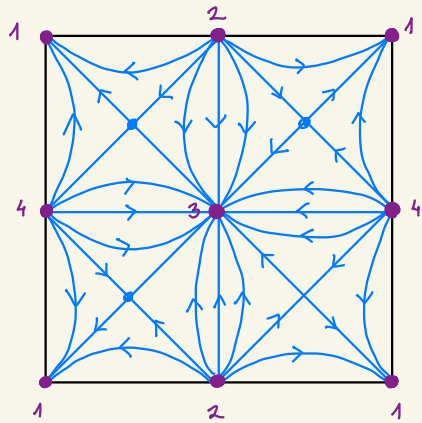
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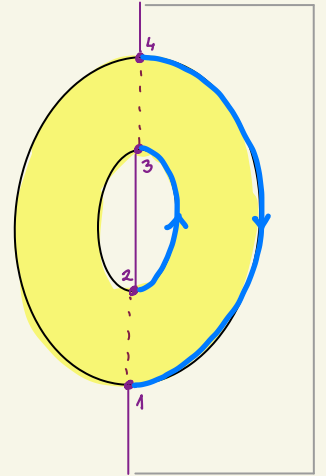
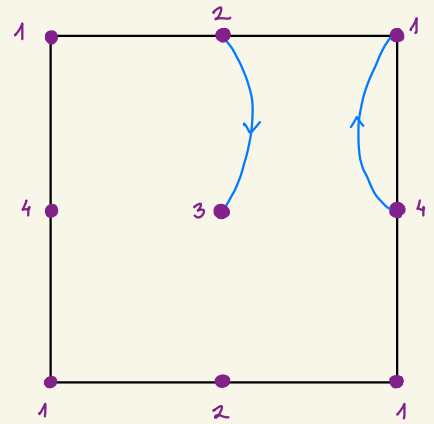
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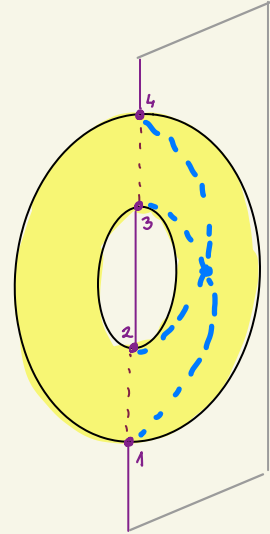
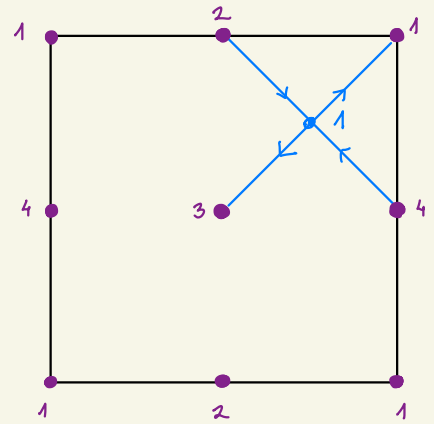
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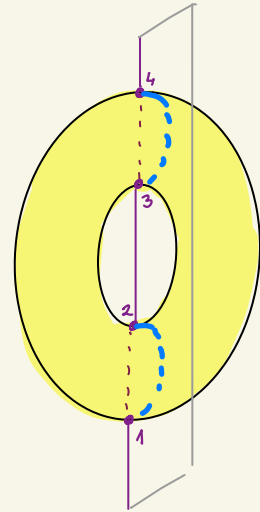
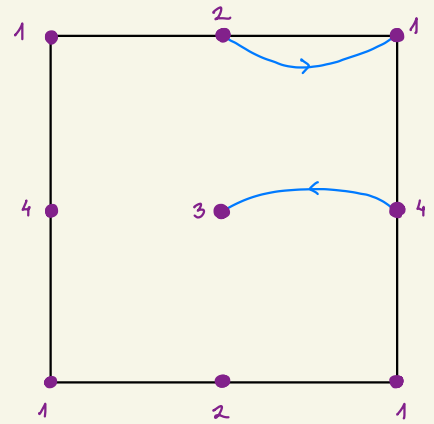
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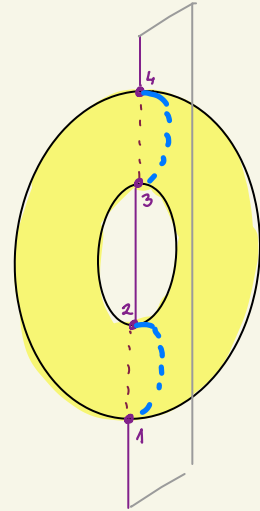
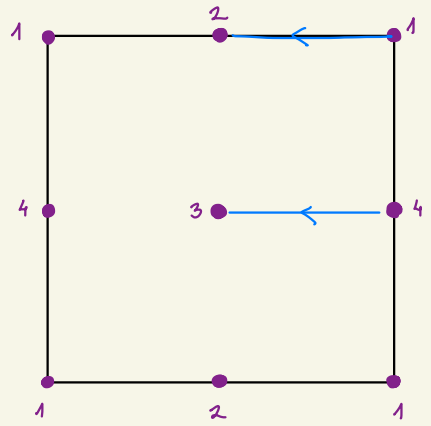
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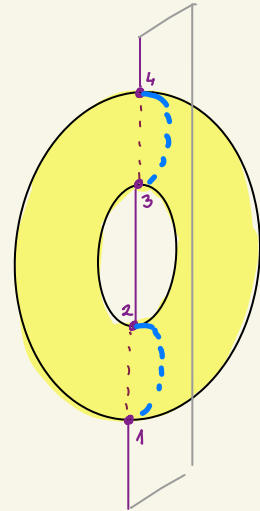
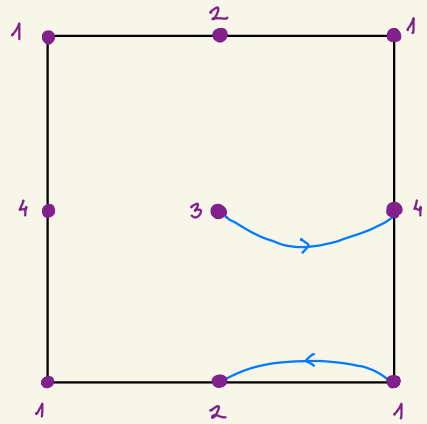
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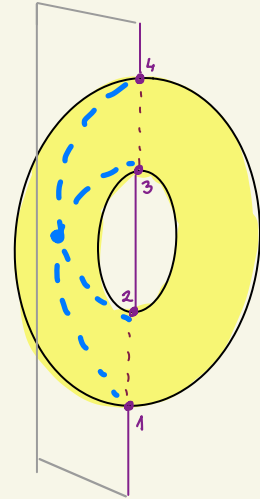
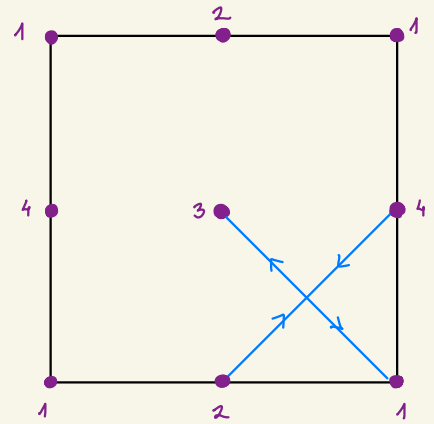
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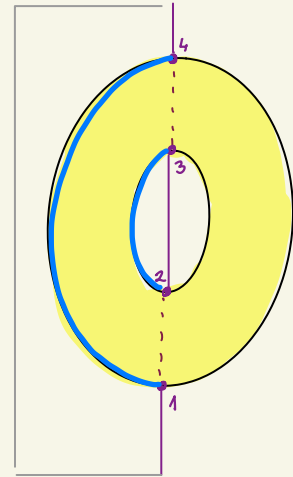
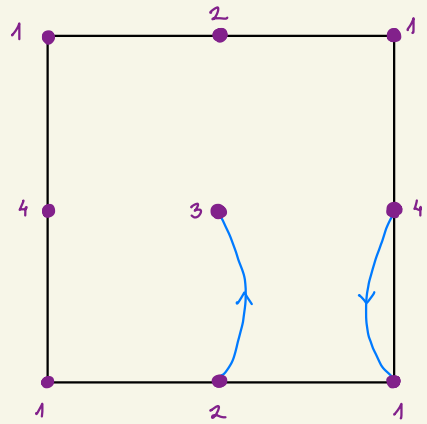
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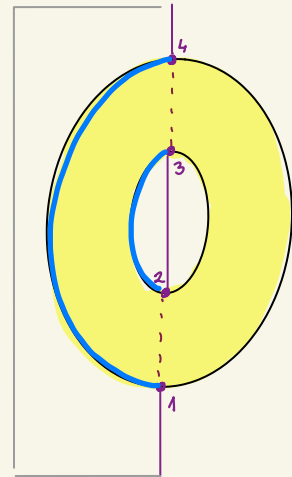
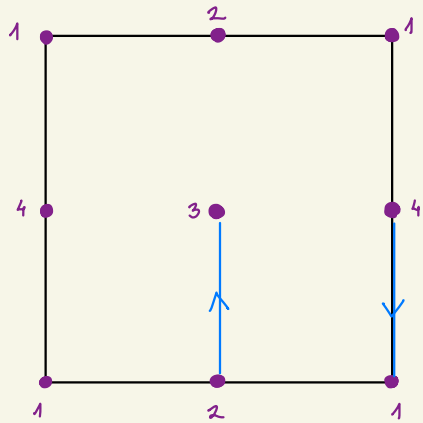
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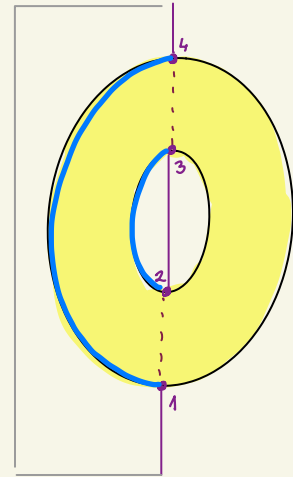
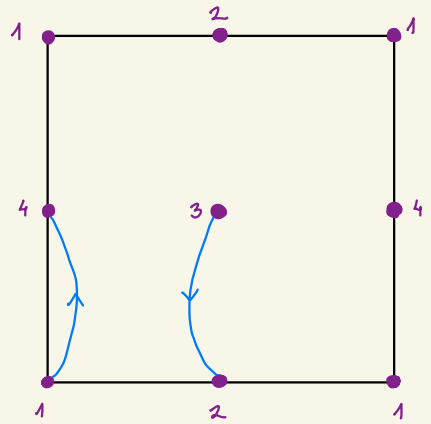
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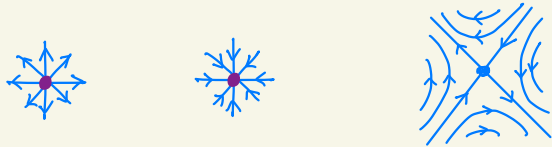
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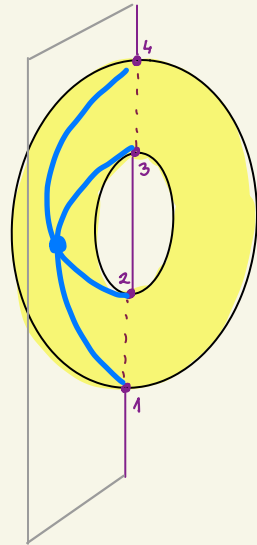
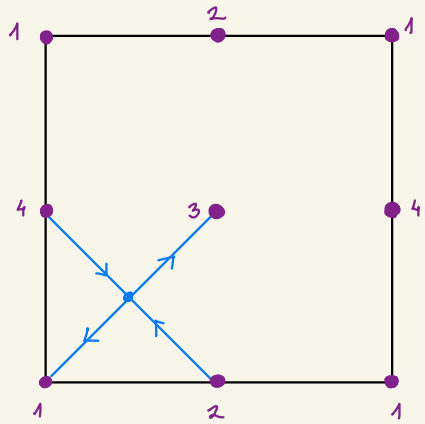
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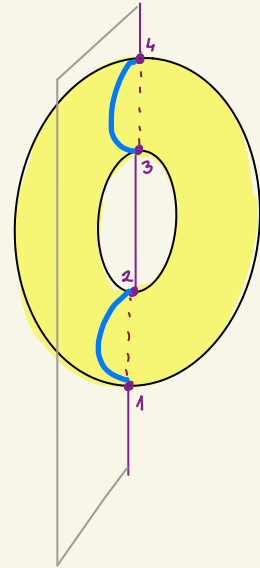
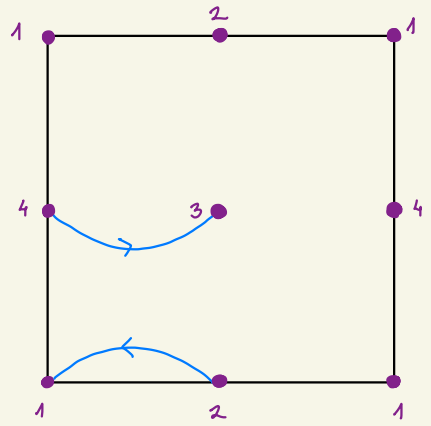
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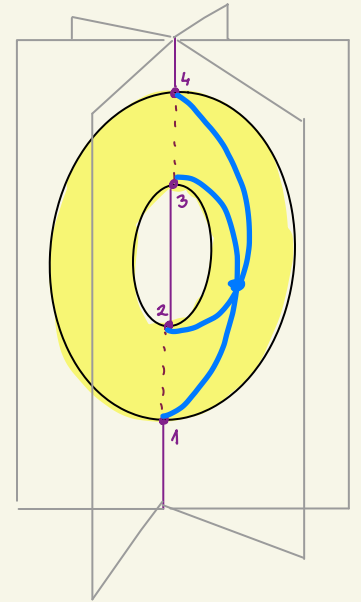
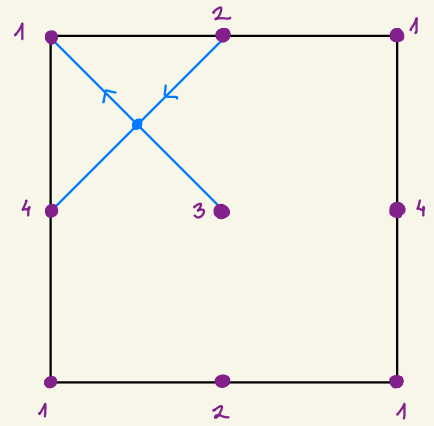
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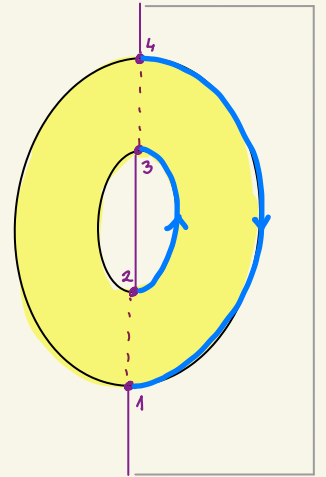
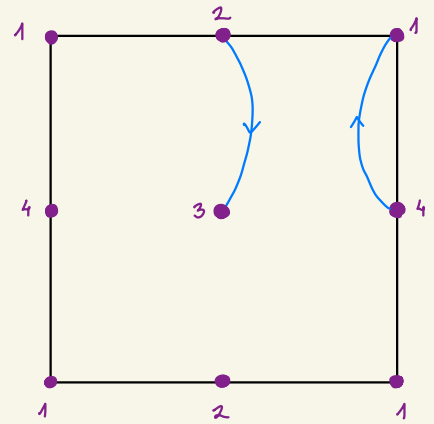
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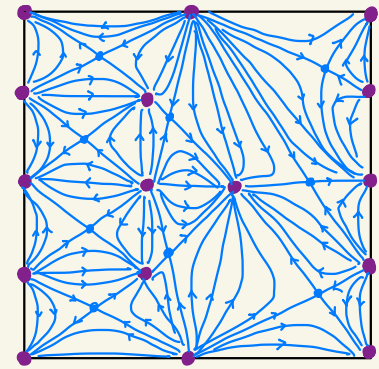
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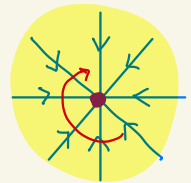
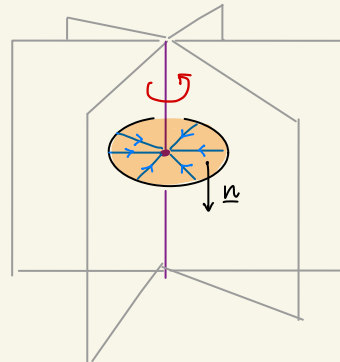
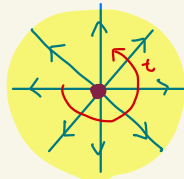
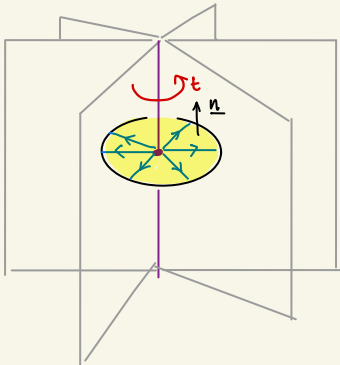
# RECOGNISING OPEN BOOK FOLIATIONS

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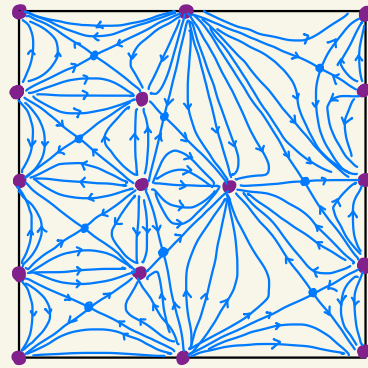
Necessary: leaves are indexed by the circle, so that near each node the indices go around once:



from the other side

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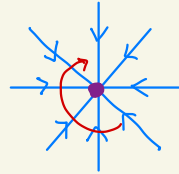
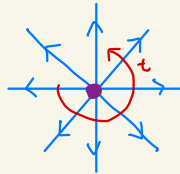
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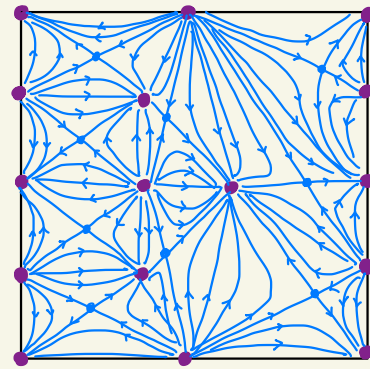
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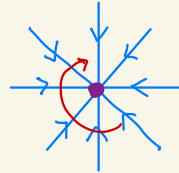
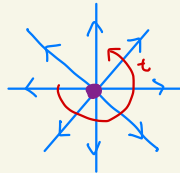
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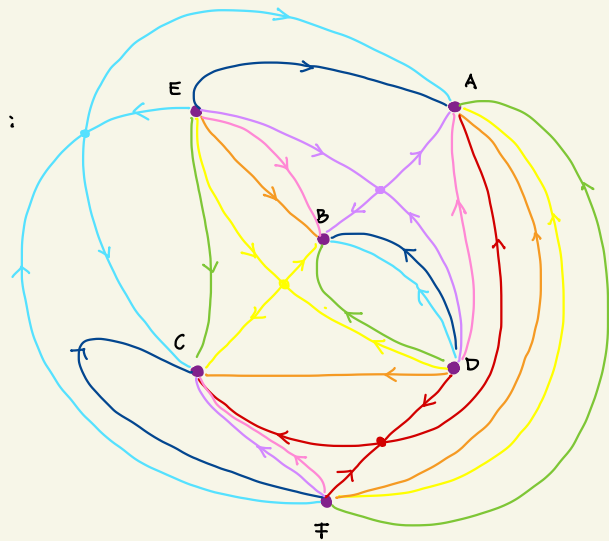
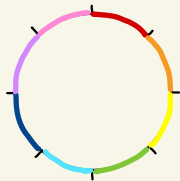
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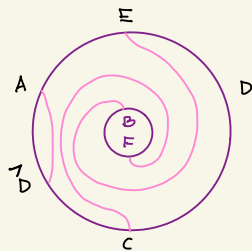
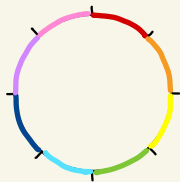
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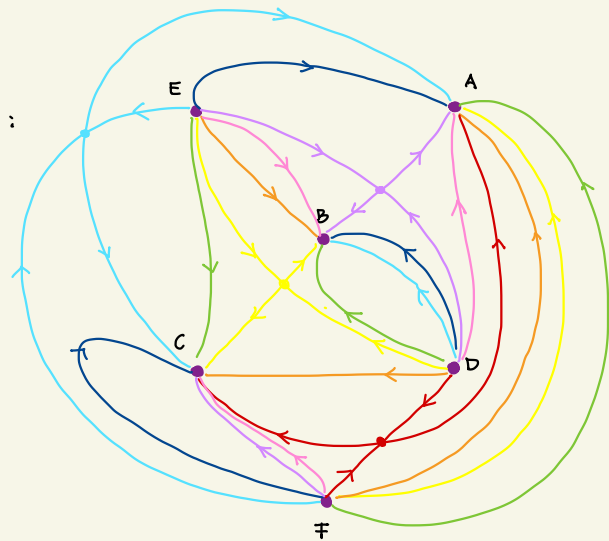


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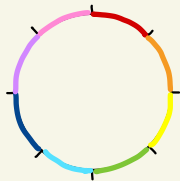


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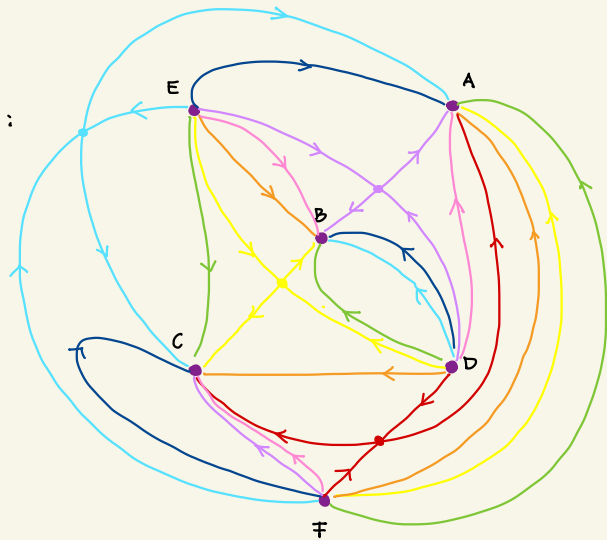
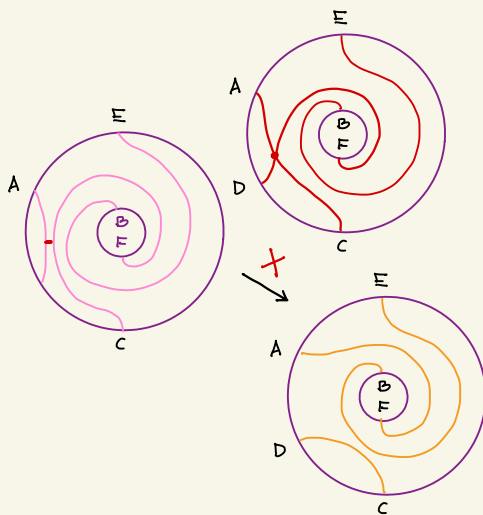


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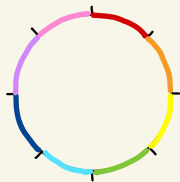


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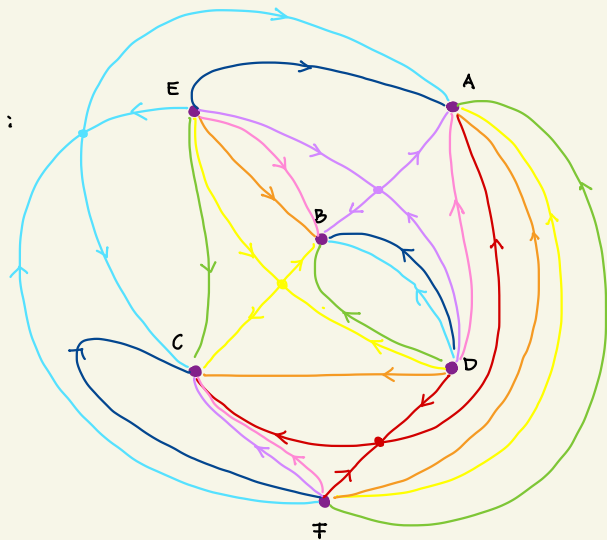
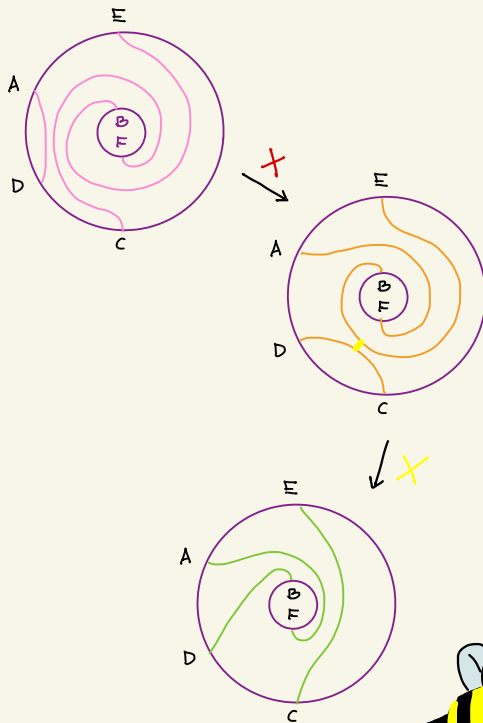


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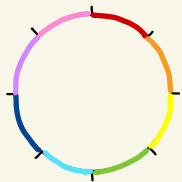


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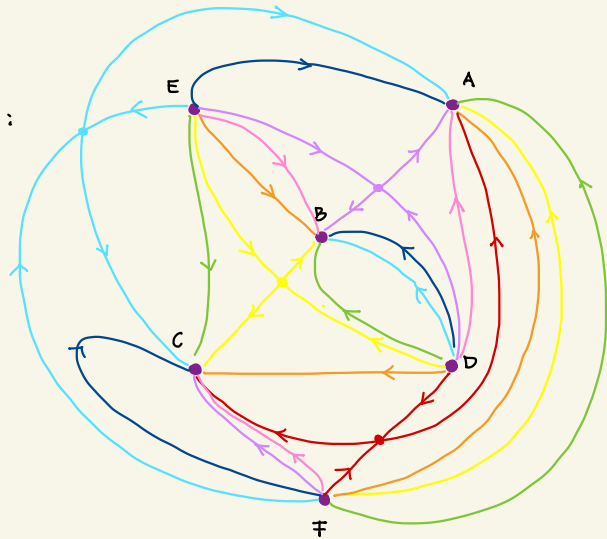
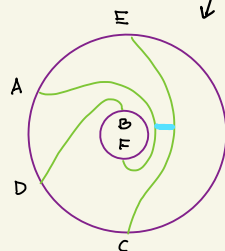
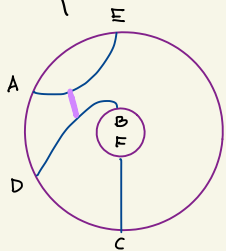
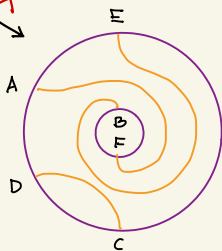
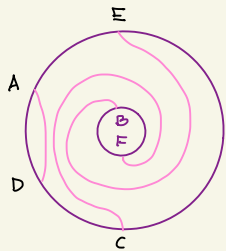
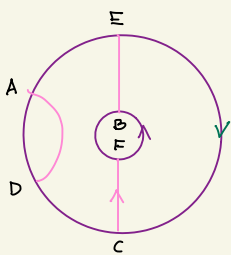


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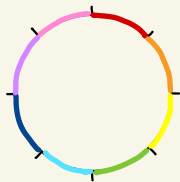
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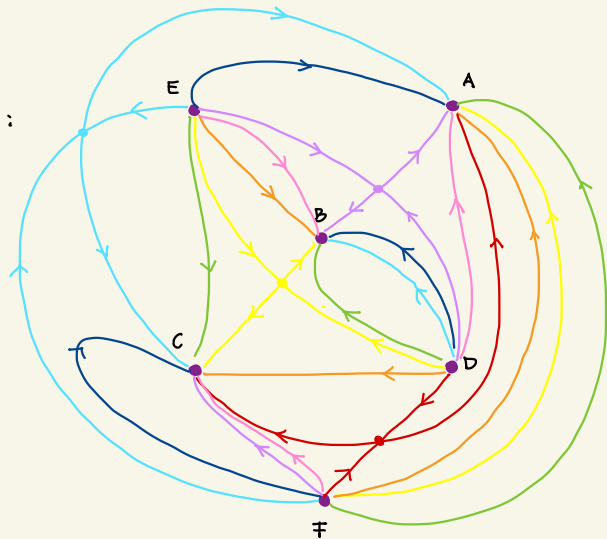
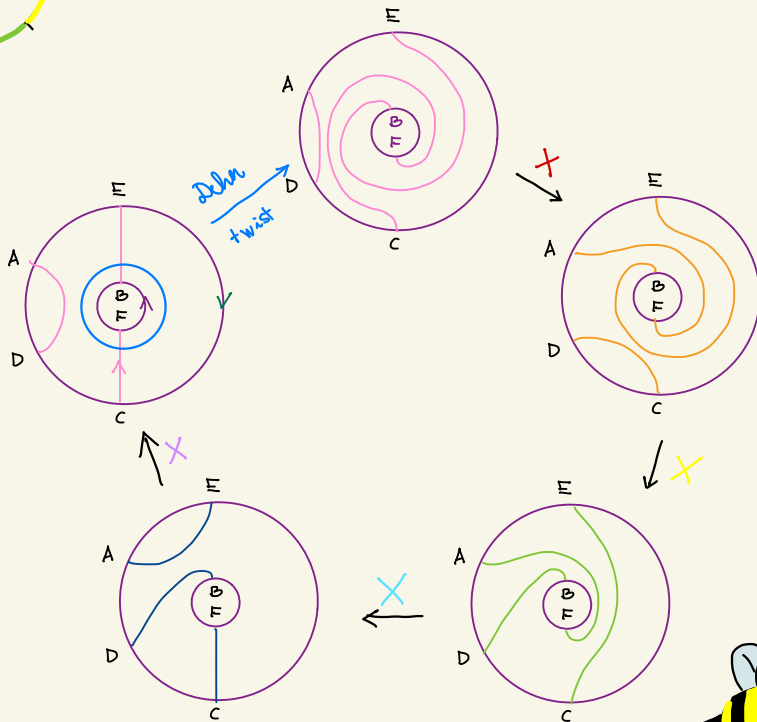


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## RECOGNISING OPEN BOOK FOLIATIONS - COMPLEXITY

- it is enough to find a cyclic order of the saddles.  
(the order can then be extended to all the leaves)
- each node gives a partial cyclic order of the saddles  
& extending partial cyclic orders to a (total) cyclic order  
is NP-complete in general (Galil-Megiddo 1977)
- the problem can be rephrased to finding maximal acyclic subgraph  
of an oriented graph  $D$  associated to  $\mathcal{F}$   
& these are NP-complete in general (Karp 1972)
- the problem can be rephrased to finding the minimal  
genus surface  $\mathcal{D}$  can be embedded into  
& these are NP-complete in general (Thomasse 1988)



SO THIS MUST  
BE HARD

## RECOGNISING OPEN BOOK FOLIATIONS - ALGORITHM

Thm (Kiss - V): There is a polynomial algorithm that recognises whether a given oriented singular foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  is an open book foliation.

(= there is a "good" cyclic order for the saddles)

Moreover if there is such a cyclic order, then it can be found in polynomial time.

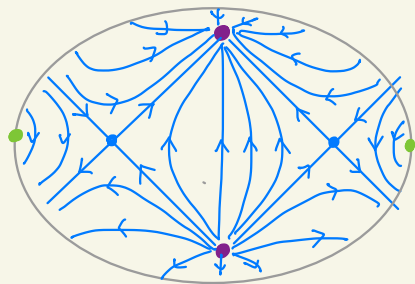
Rem: usually there is more than one cyclic order, & the algorithm only finds one of them.

WE CAN FIND ALL,  
BUT MAYBE NOT IN  
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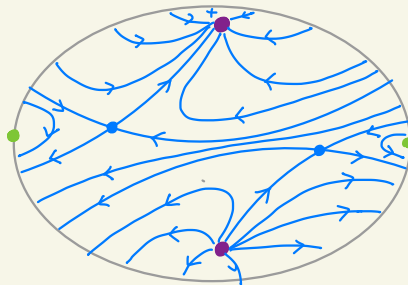


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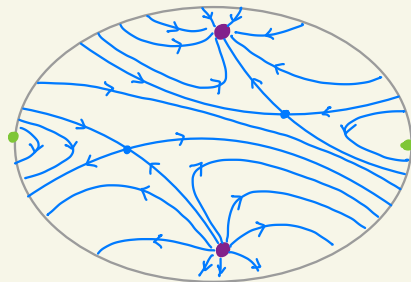
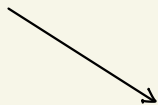
Bypass - move :



$\mathcal{F}$



$\mathcal{F}_r$



$\mathcal{F}_l$



THIS IS THE SAME  
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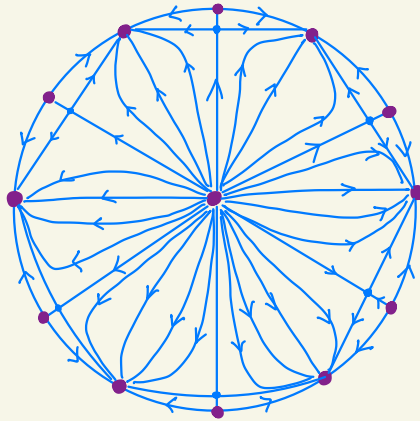
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Lemma 2. By a finite sequence of bypass moves we can turn any foliation into one where  $\exists$  node w/ a leaf to EVERY saddle :



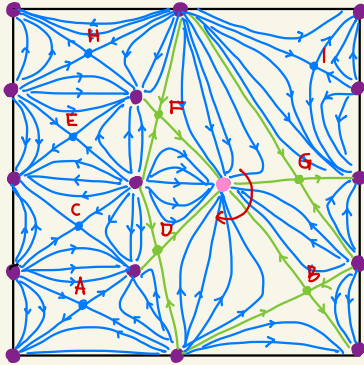
(and the edges are identified in pairs)

& here it's easy to tell if its an OBF :D

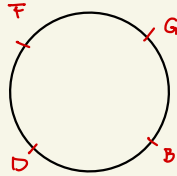
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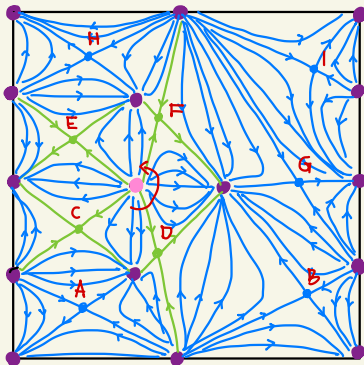
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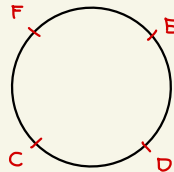
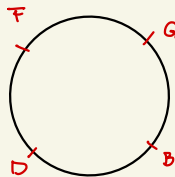
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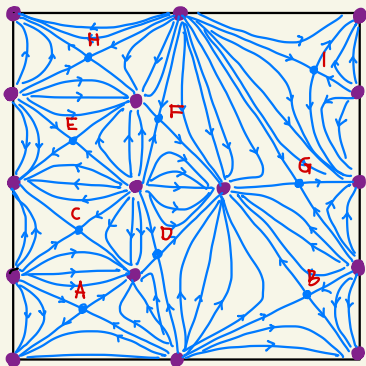
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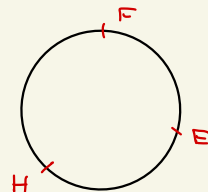
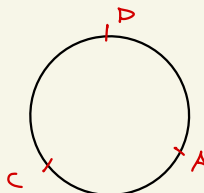
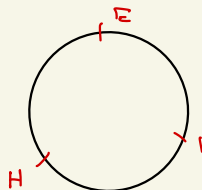
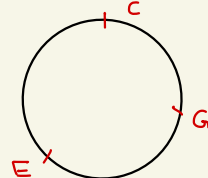
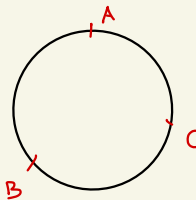
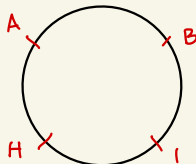
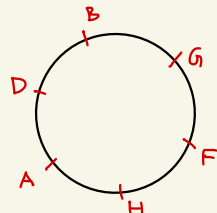
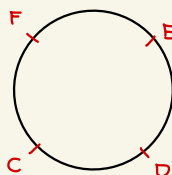
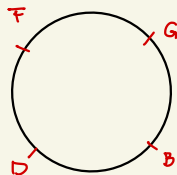
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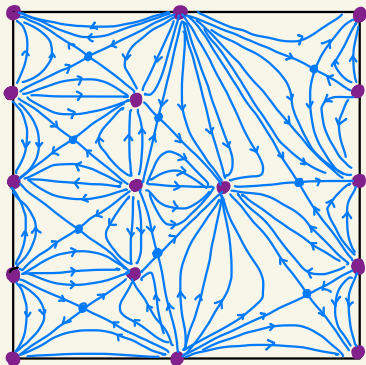
CAN YOU FIND ONE?

LET'S RUN THE ALGORITHM INSTEAD



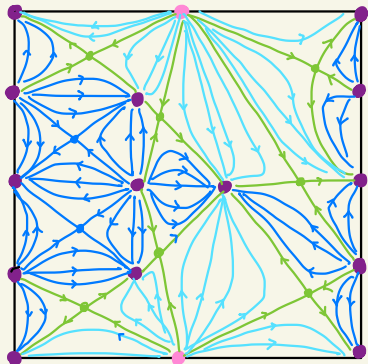


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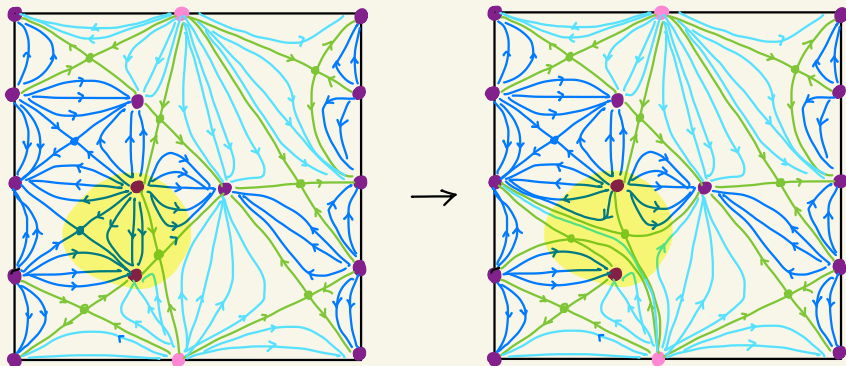
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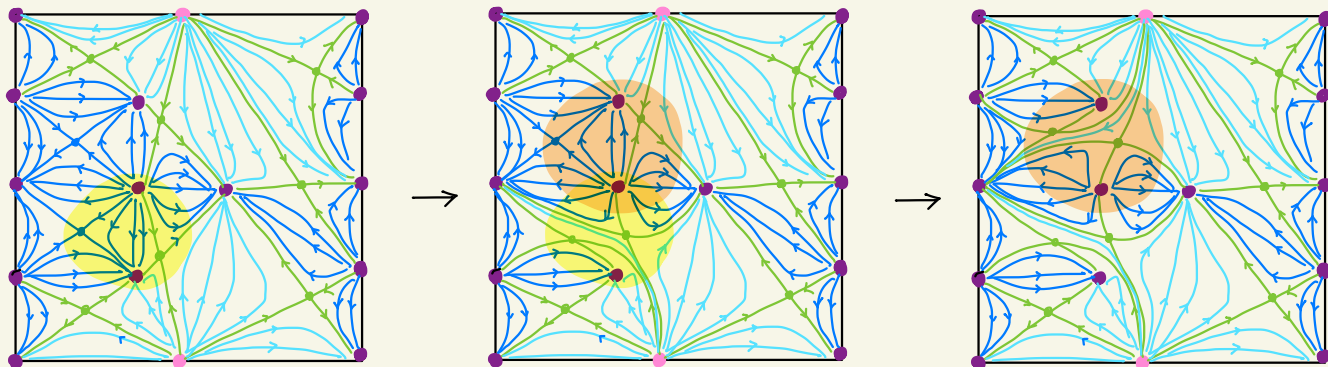
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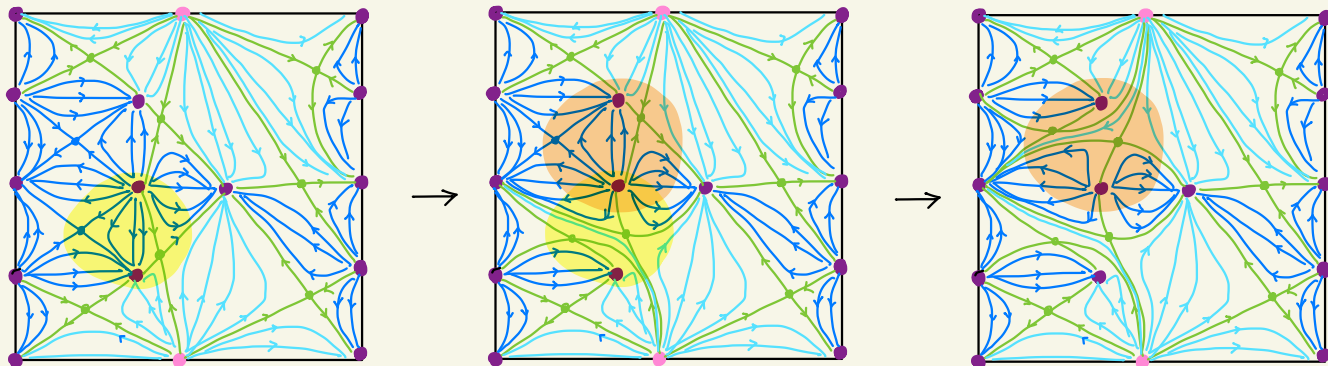
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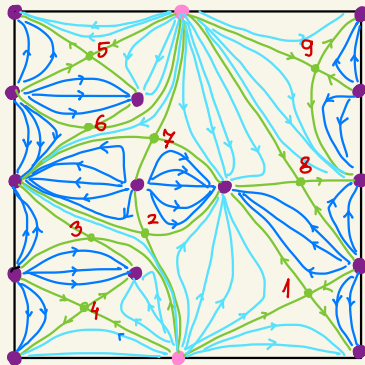
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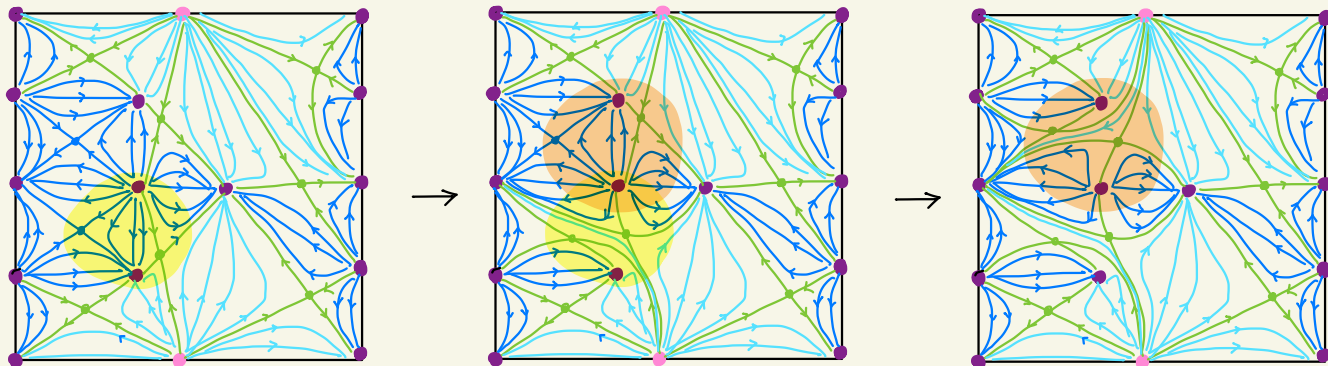


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⇒ only 1 possible  
cyclic order

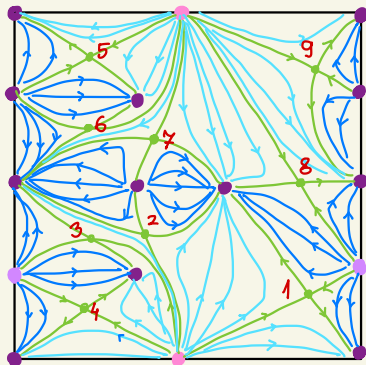


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but : the order around this node is

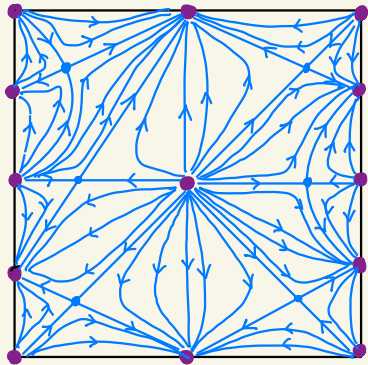


doesn't go around once

So  $\mathcal{F}$  was **NOT** an open book foliation !

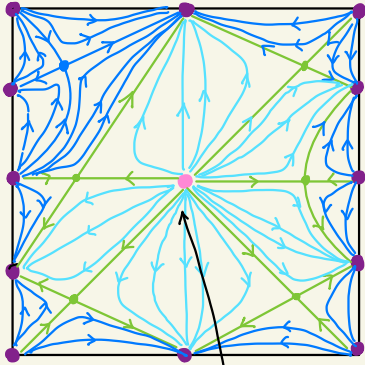


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6 nodes , 6 saddles

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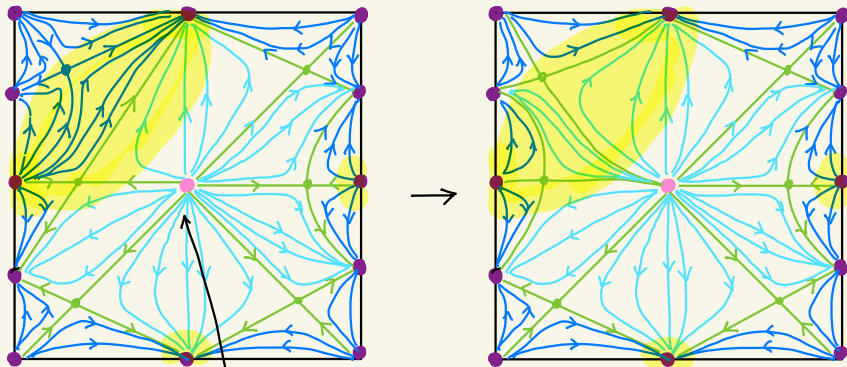


6 nodes , 6 saddles

connected to 5 saddles



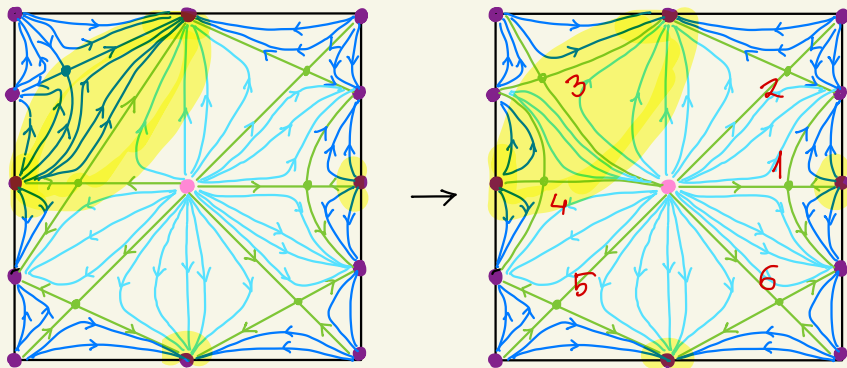
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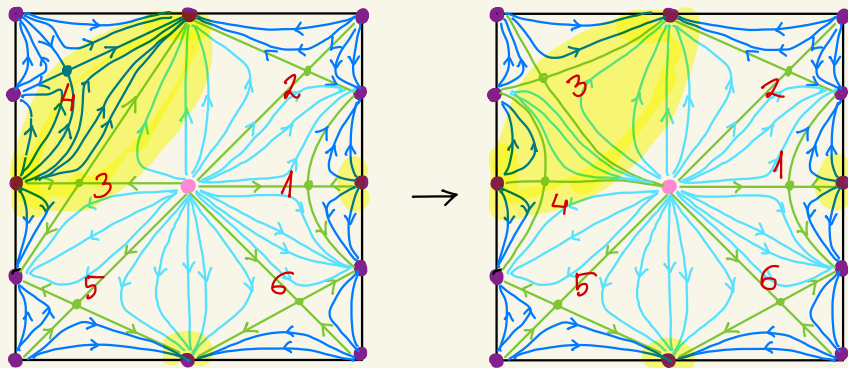


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unique cyclic order

& it is "good"

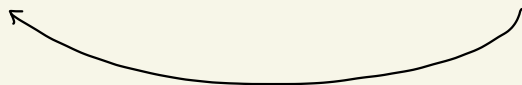
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getting back the "good" order

Rmk: the change in the cyclic order does not have to be "local", it can change even between saddles that do not move.

## OPEN QUESTIONS

- Can one recognise braid foliations?

(done for:  $\Sigma = S^2$  or  $T^2$ )

- Can one recognise open book foliations coming from embeddings into a fixed open book?

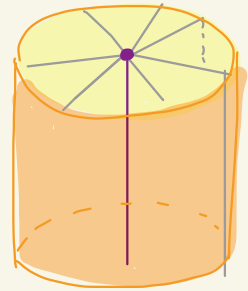
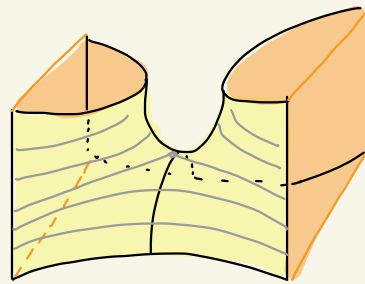
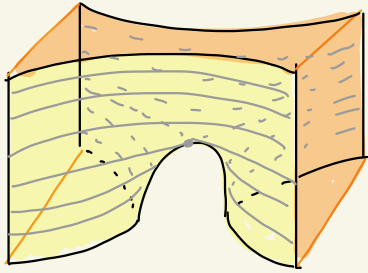
- Can one enumerate all possible embeddings giving the same open book foliation?

(for braid foliations, once the order of saddles is fixed)  
(there is a unique embedding (Birman-Finkelstein 1998))

THANKS FOR



YOUR ATTENTION!



QUESTIONS ?