

Cubical 4—Twistoids: II

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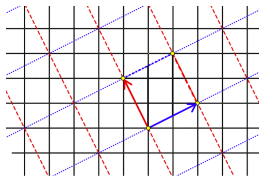
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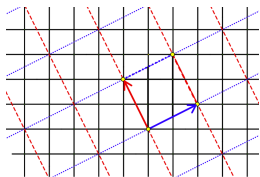


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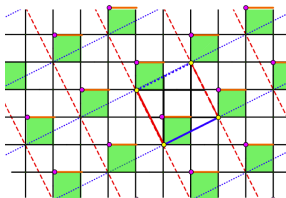


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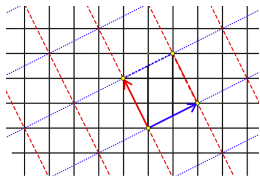
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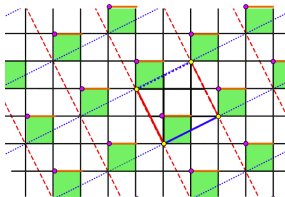


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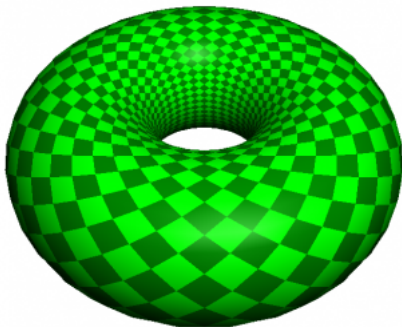
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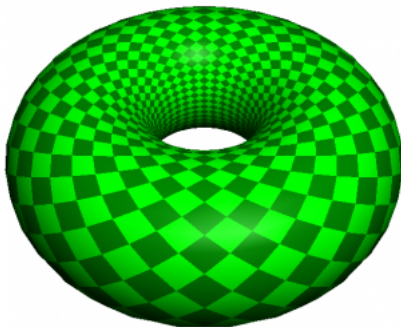
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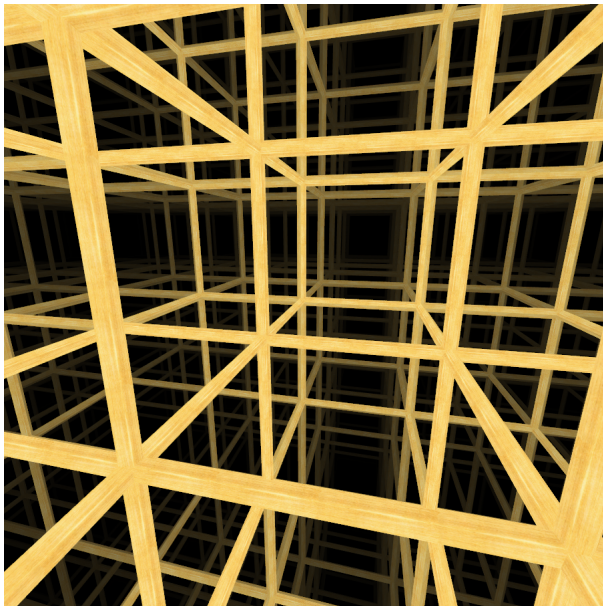
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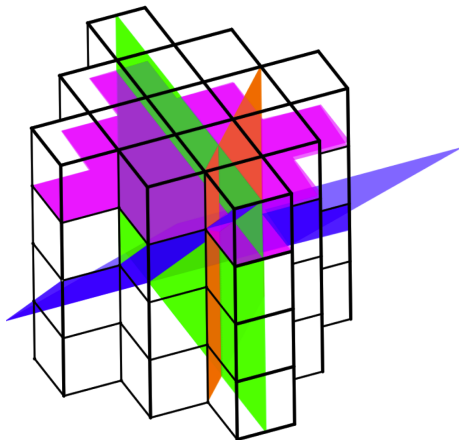


- Maps on the torus and Klein bottle are 3-twistoids.

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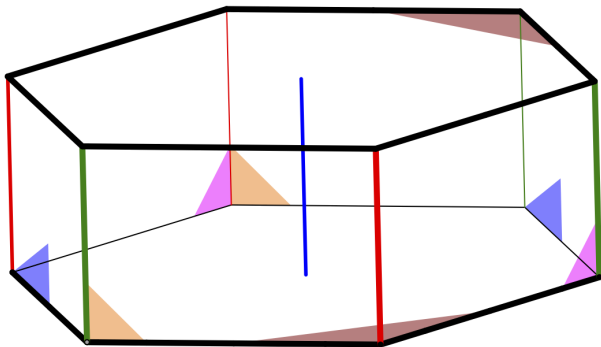
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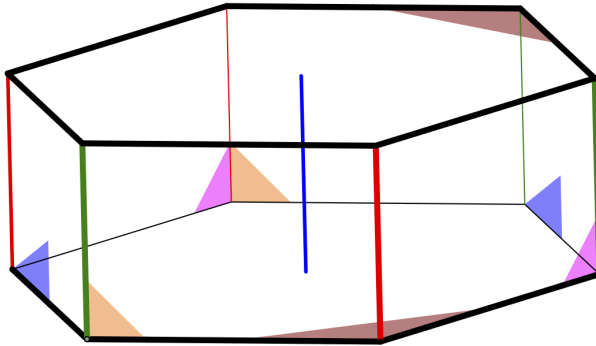
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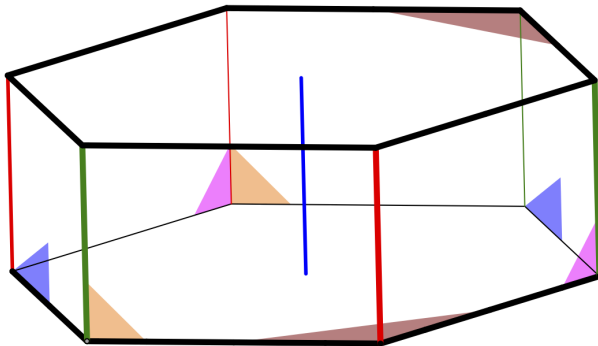


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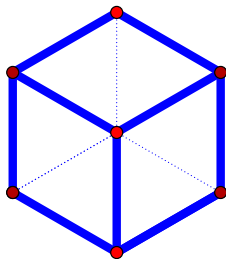
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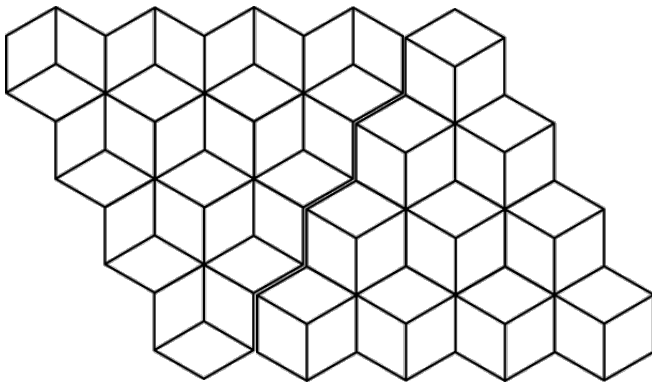
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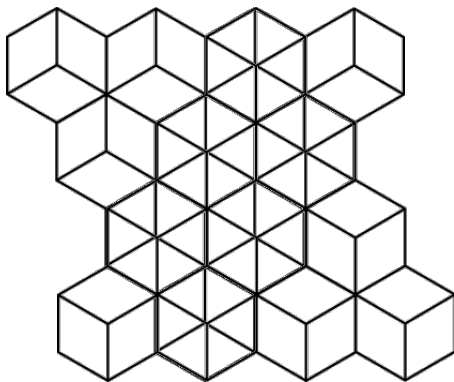
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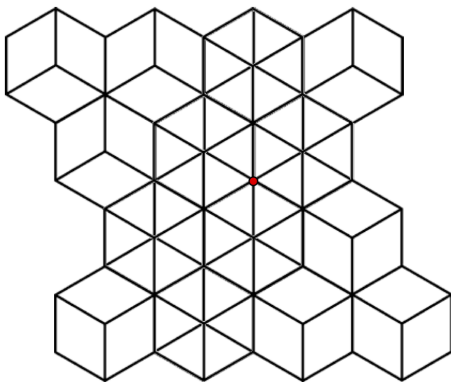
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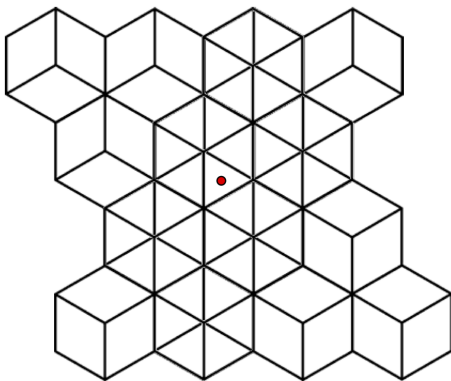
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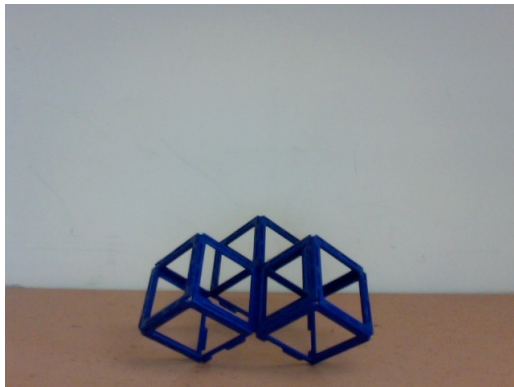
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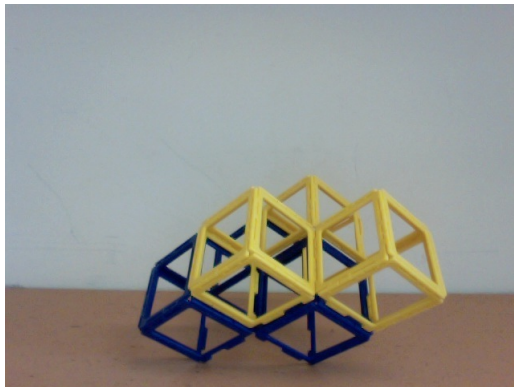
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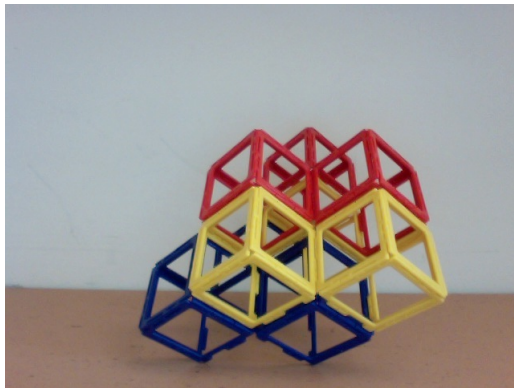
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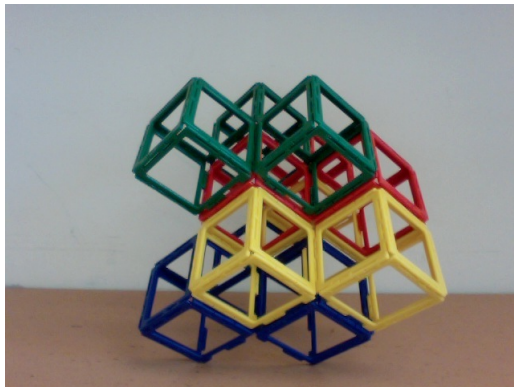
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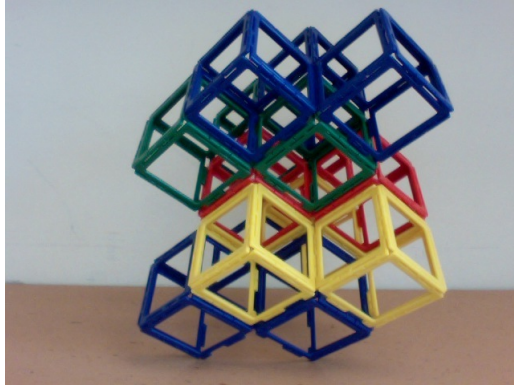
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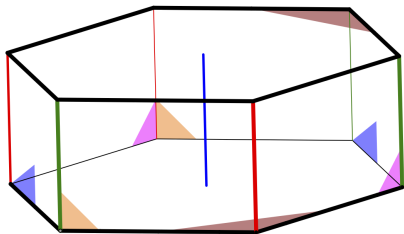
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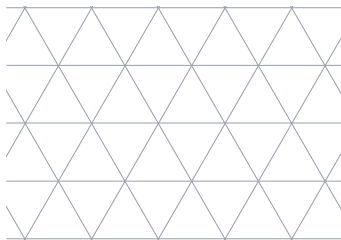


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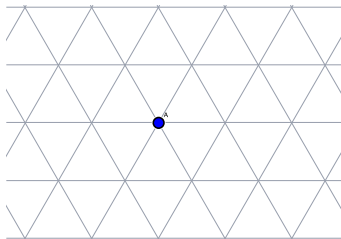


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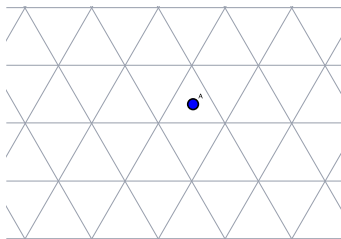


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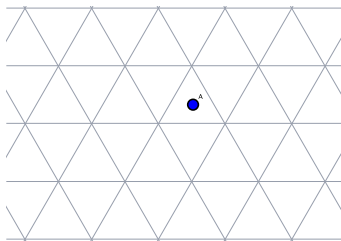
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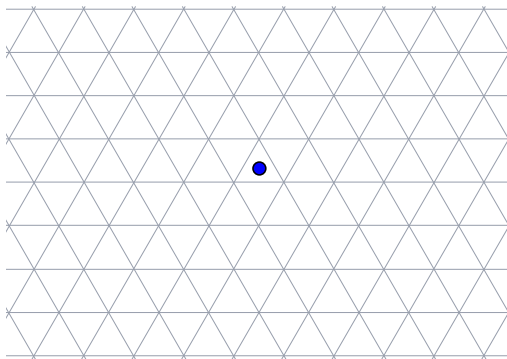
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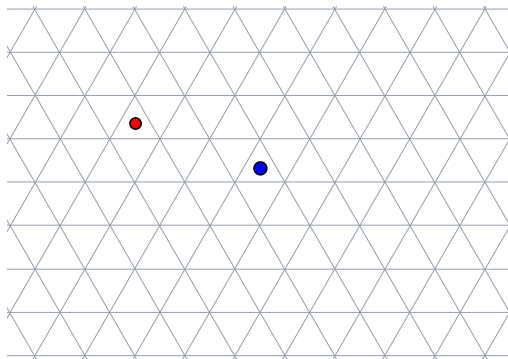


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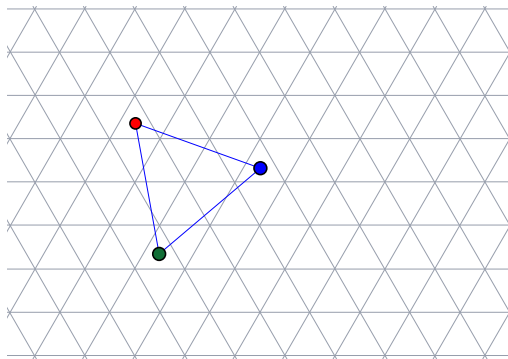
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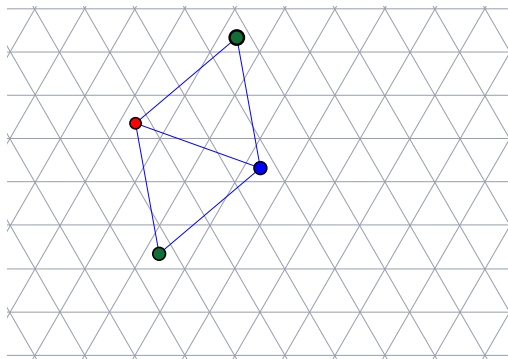
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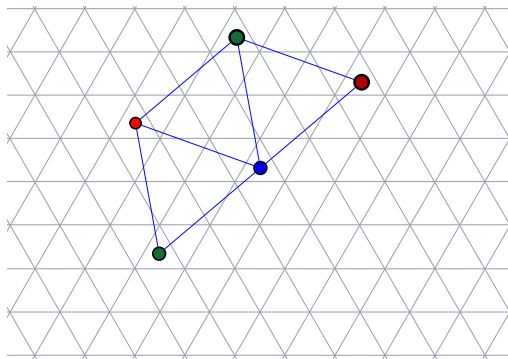
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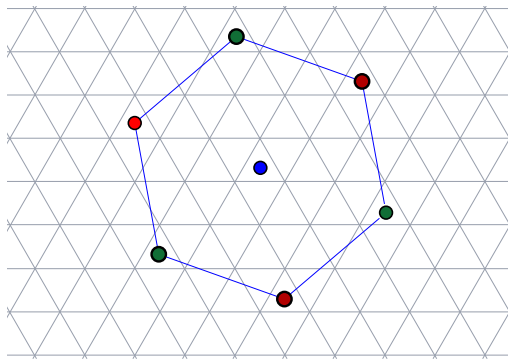
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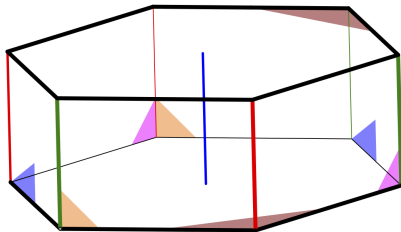
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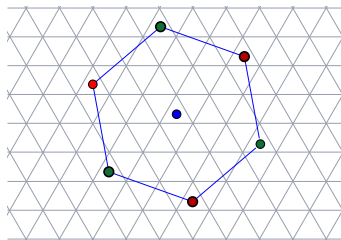
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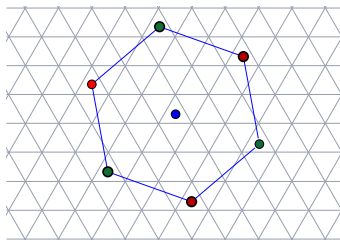


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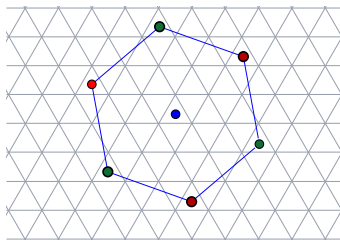
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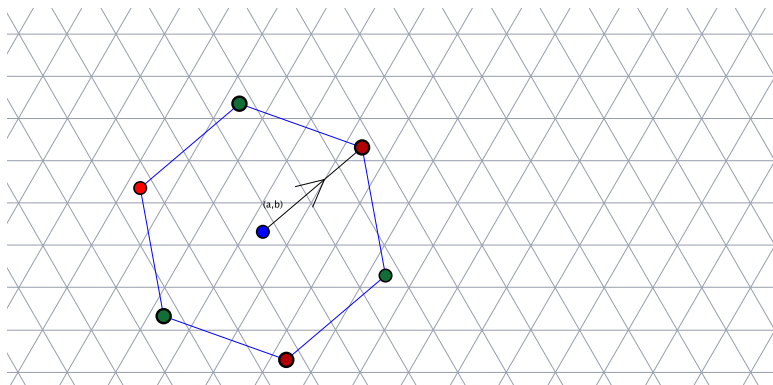
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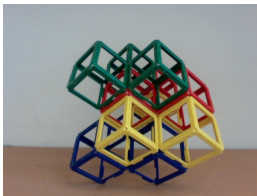
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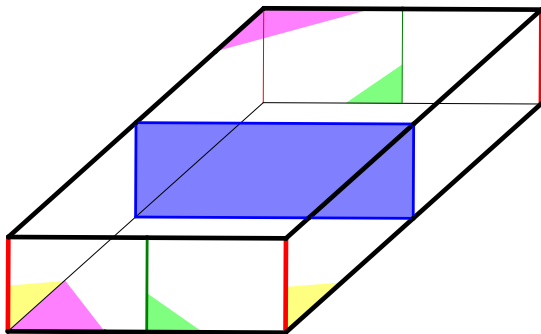
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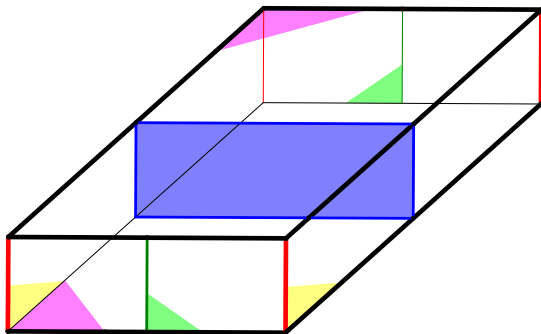


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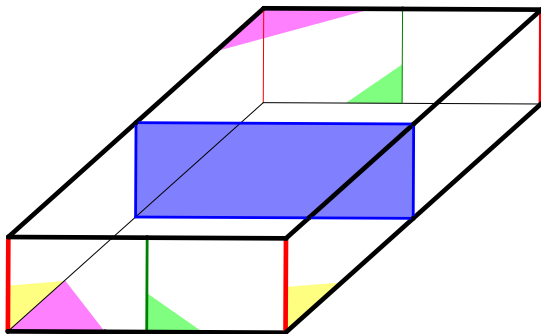


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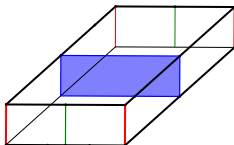
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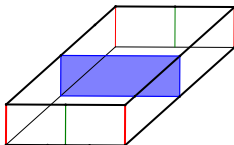
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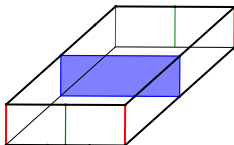


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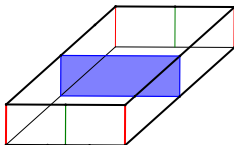
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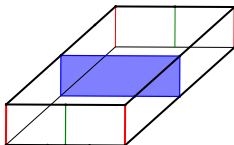
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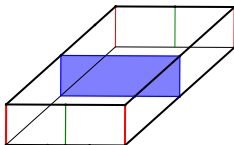
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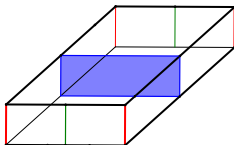
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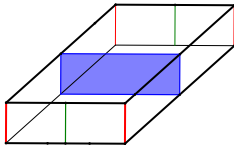
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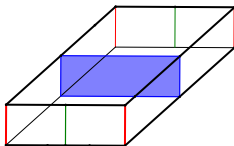
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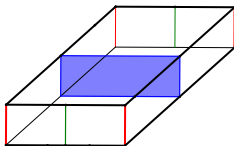
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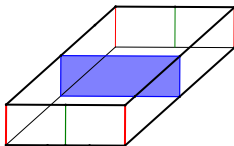
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