

On the exactness of Lasserre relaxations of SPIs and POPs

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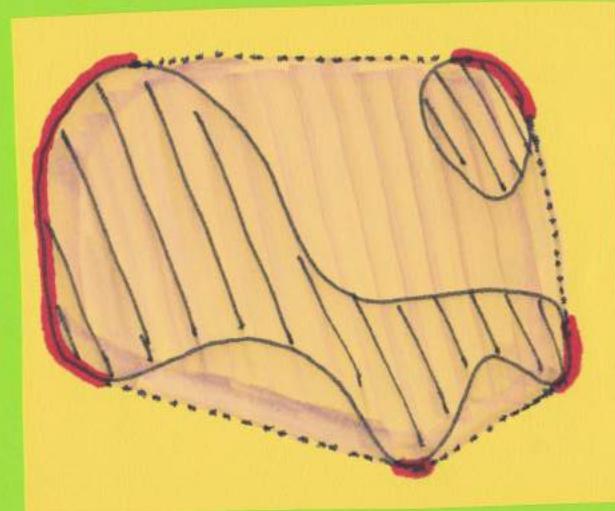
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polynomial matrix Inequality
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natural inequalities of
the individual

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

2) $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i \geq c$

$$\iff \forall a_1, \dots, a_6 \in \mathbb{R}: \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & 6 & & & \\ & & & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ & & & & 1 & -2 \\ & & & & & 4 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ v \\ x_1^2 \\ x_2^2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & 2 & & & \\ & & & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ & & & & 1 & -2 \\ & & & & & 2 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_6 \end{pmatrix} \geq 0$$

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psd

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SPT

reformulation

Pop

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$$G_1(x) > 0$$

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dEN_o
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≈ 0

SD

LMI

$$\tilde{G}_m(x,y) \geq 0$$

A 2D Cartesian coordinate system is shown. The vertical axis is labeled y and the horizontal axis is labeled x_1 . A second horizontal axis, labeled x_2 , is drawn at a positive angle from the x_1 -axis.

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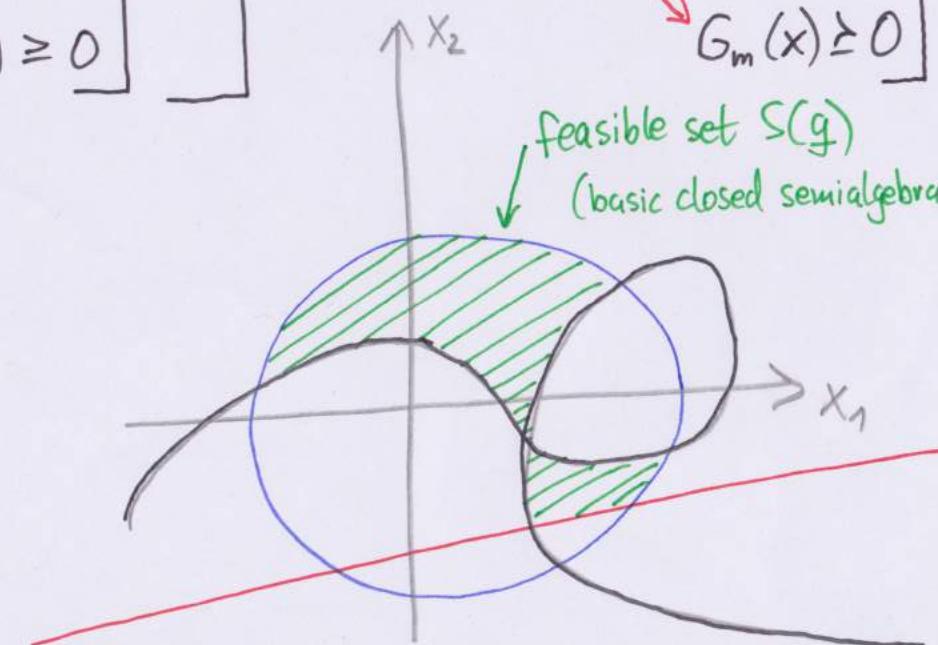
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PMT

Linearization

↙ feasible set $S(g)$
(basic closed semialgebraic set)



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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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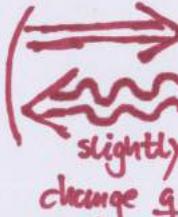
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↑ proof uses real closed fields

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

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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?



contour map

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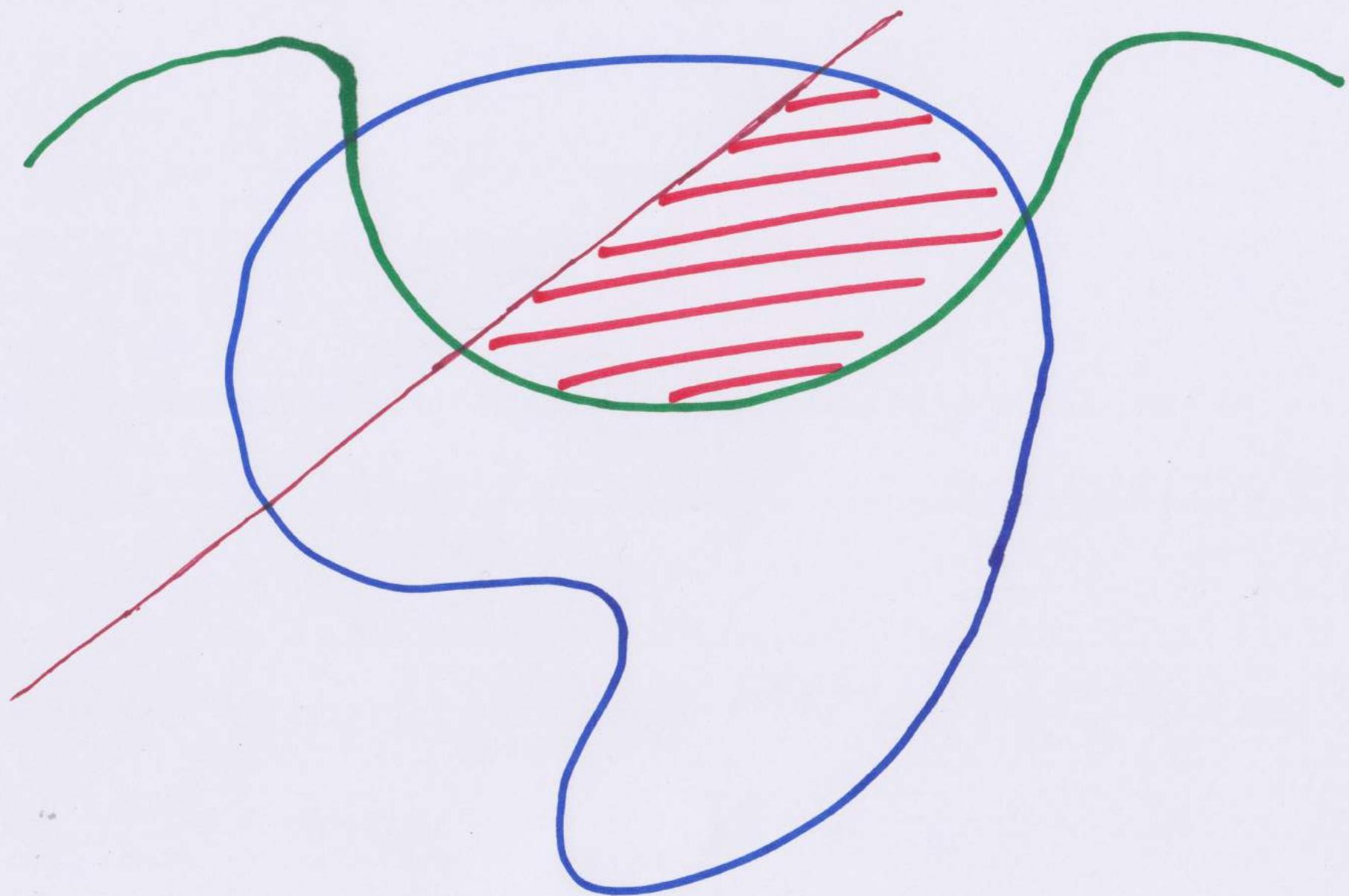
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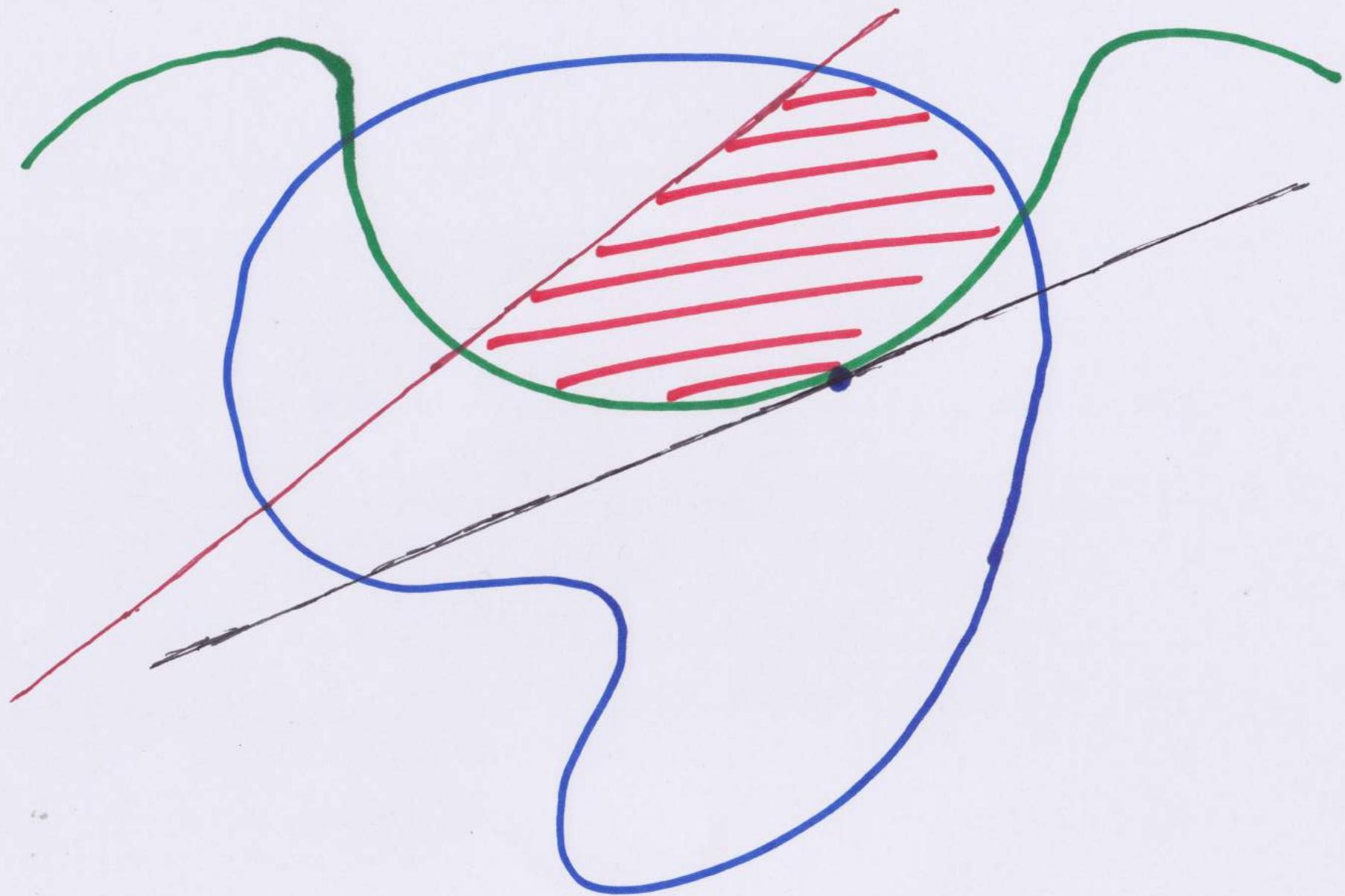
Thm (2018 SI OPT) Let $g \in \mathbb{R}[\underline{x}]^m$ such that $M(g)$ is Archimedean.

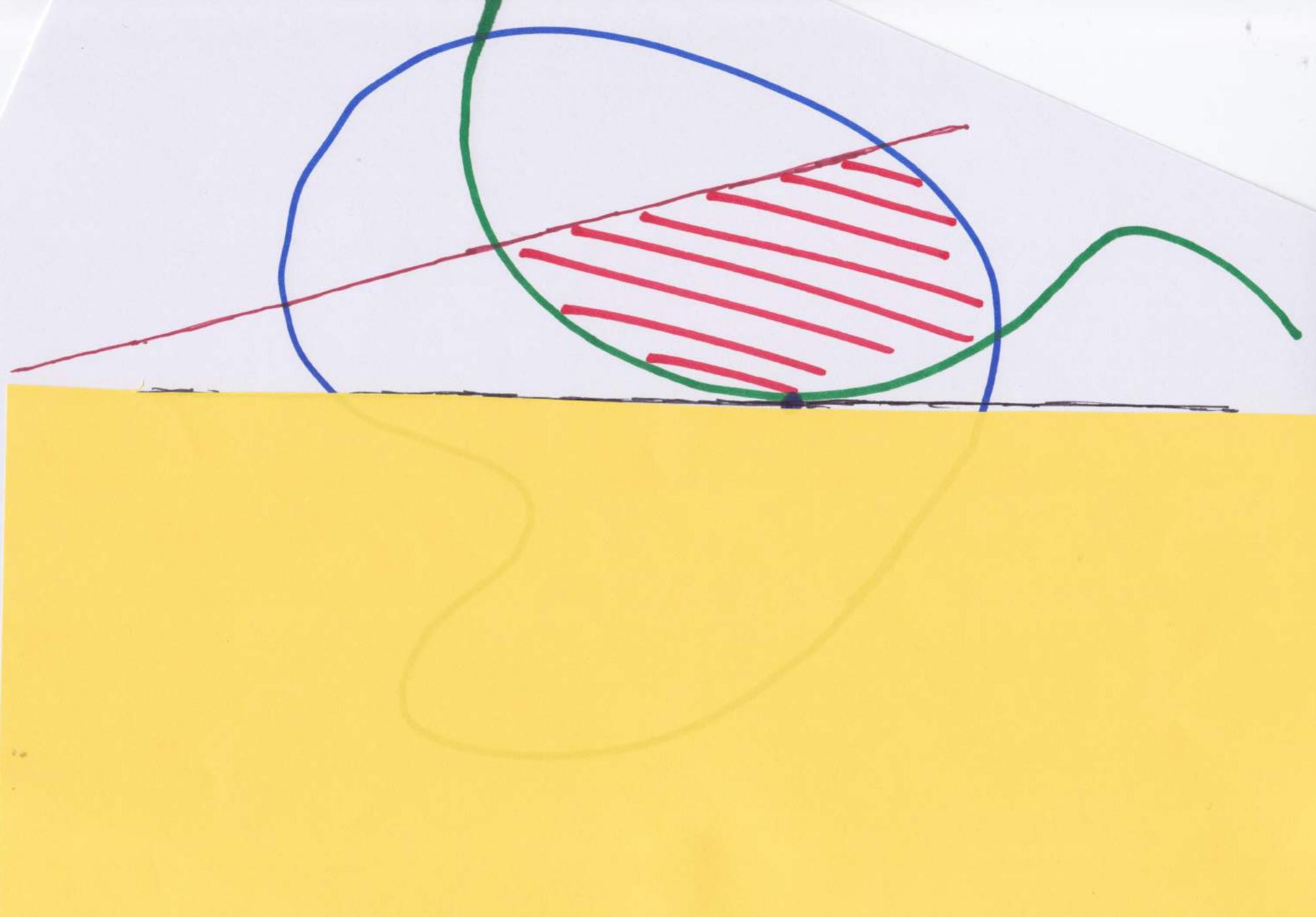
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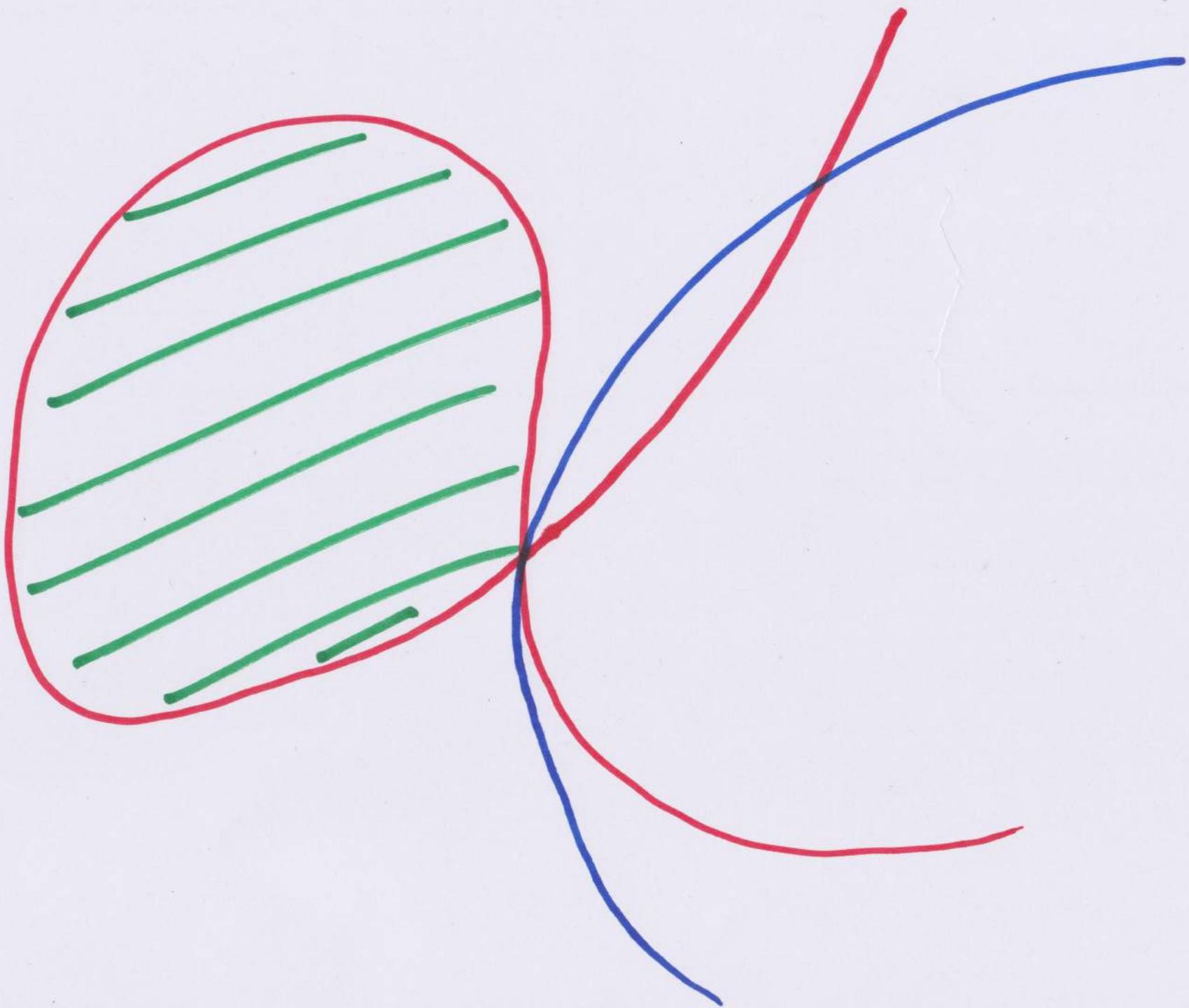
Suppose that each g_i is strictly quasiconcave on $S(g) \cap Z(g_i)$ or g -sos-concave (for example linear).

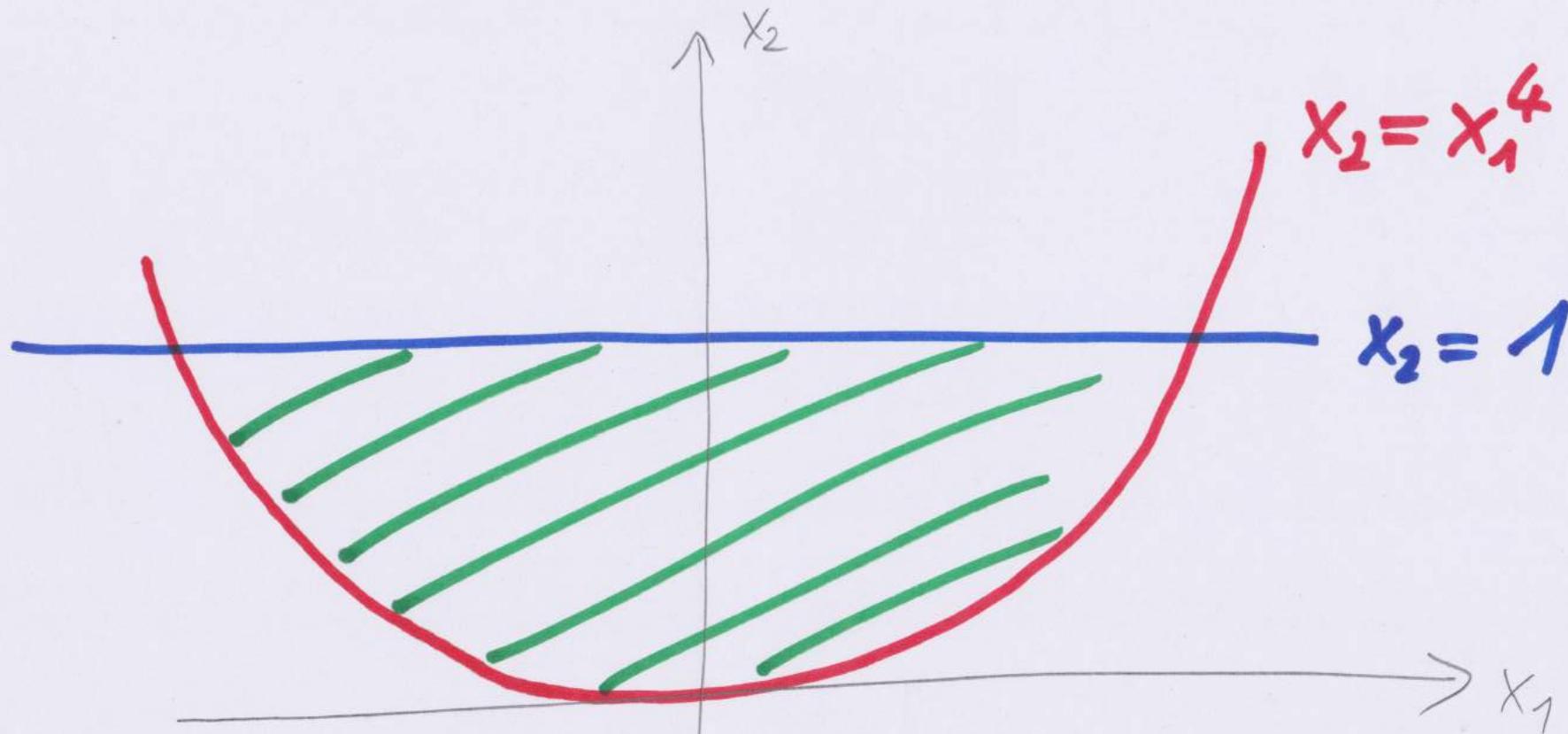
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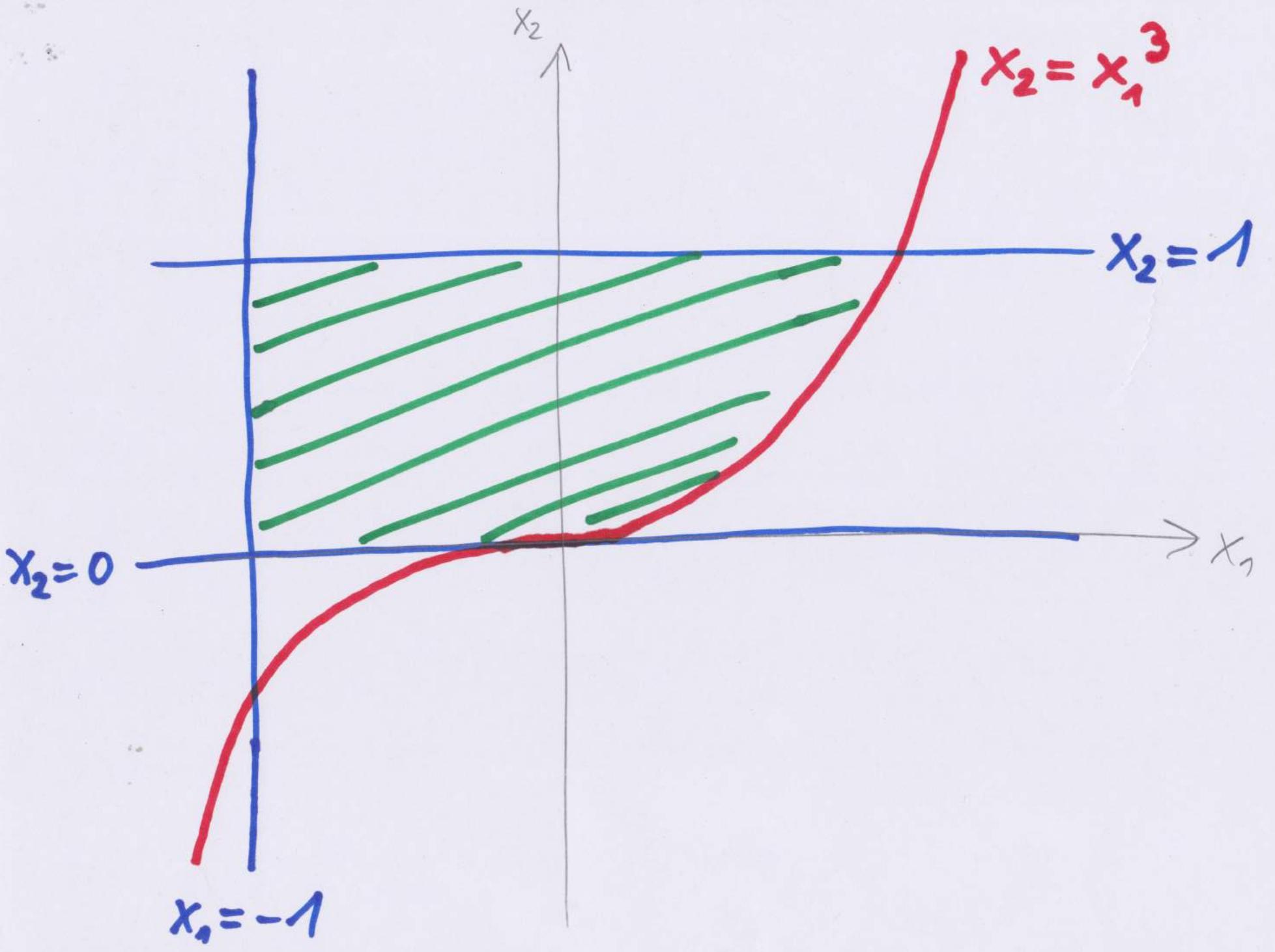


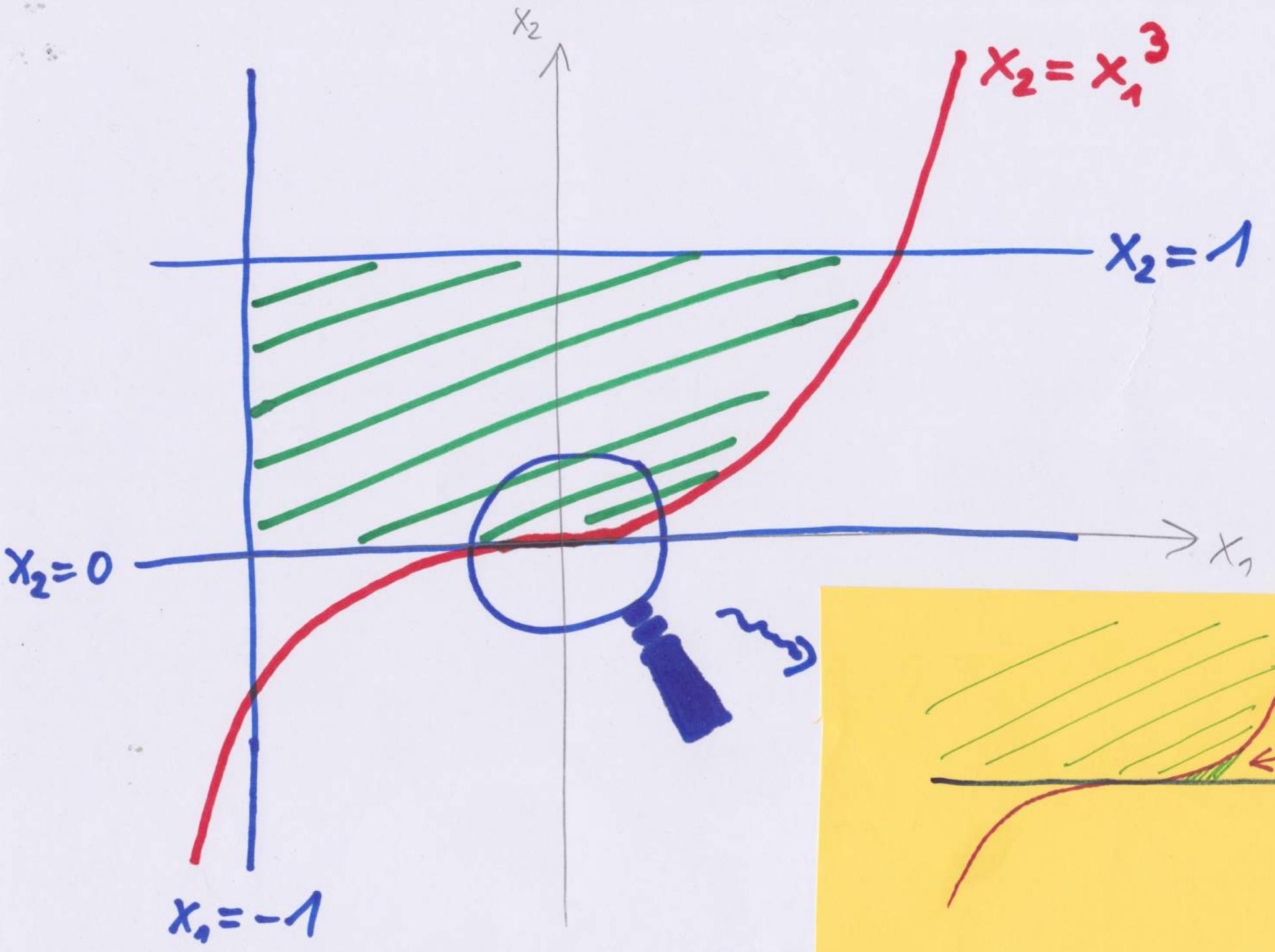






$$\text{Hess}(x_2 - x_1^4) = \begin{pmatrix} -12x_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$





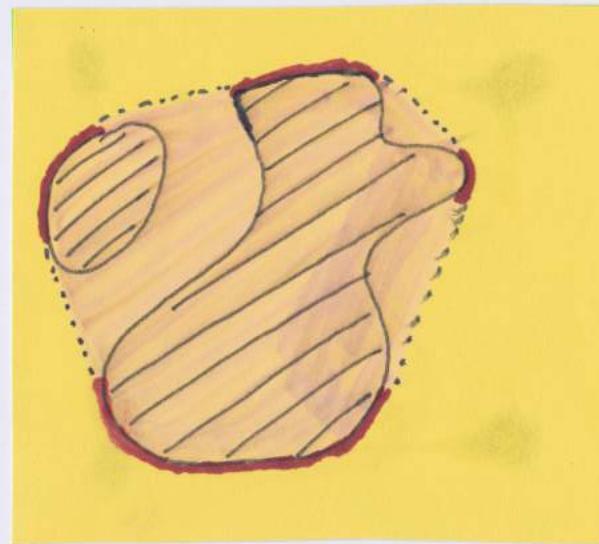
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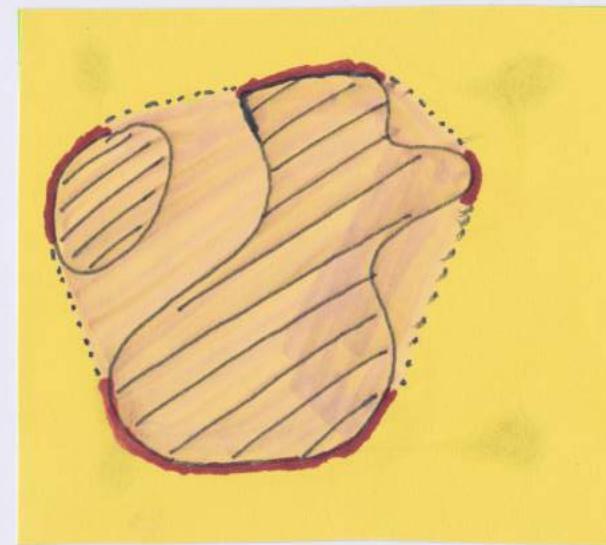
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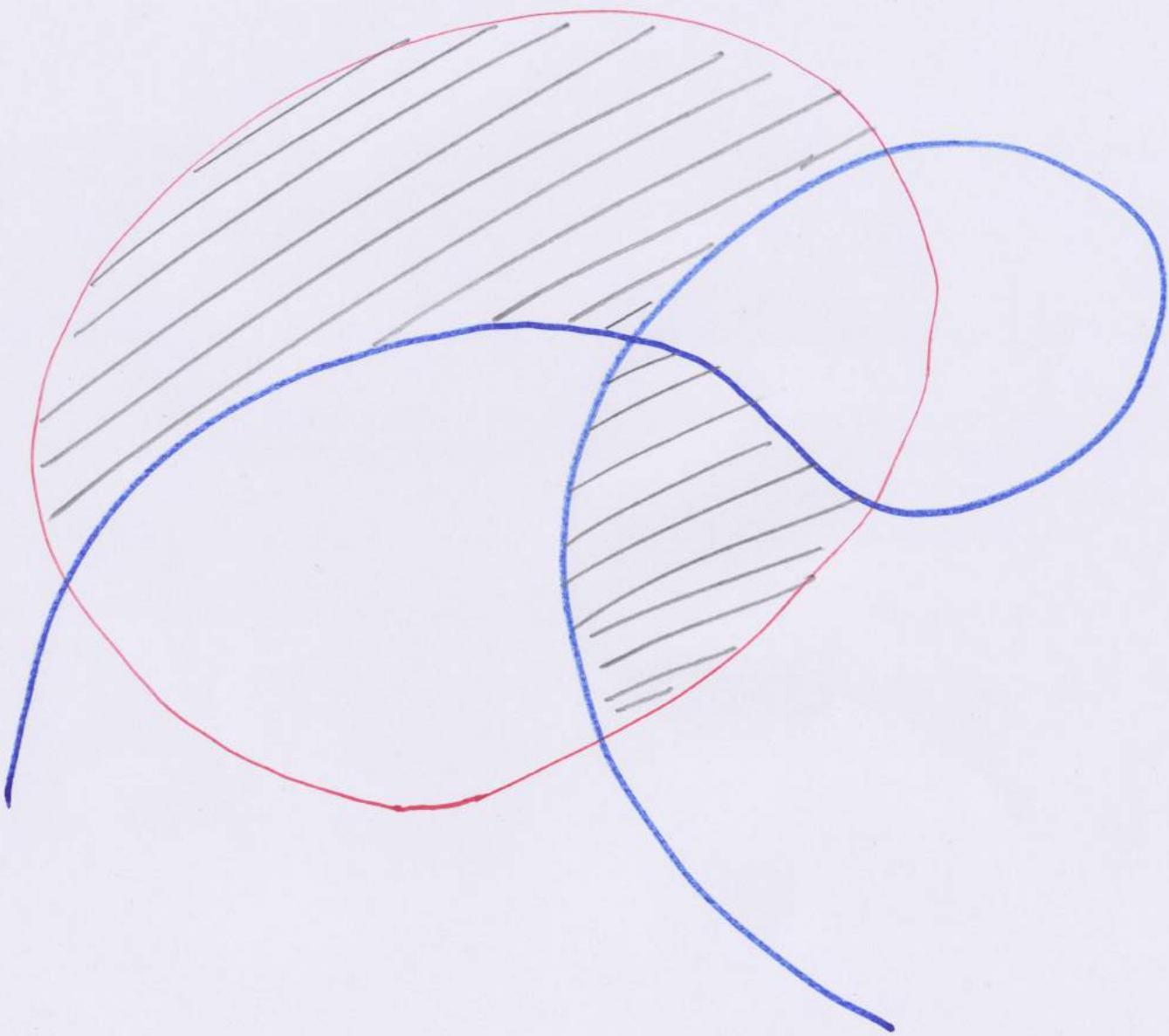


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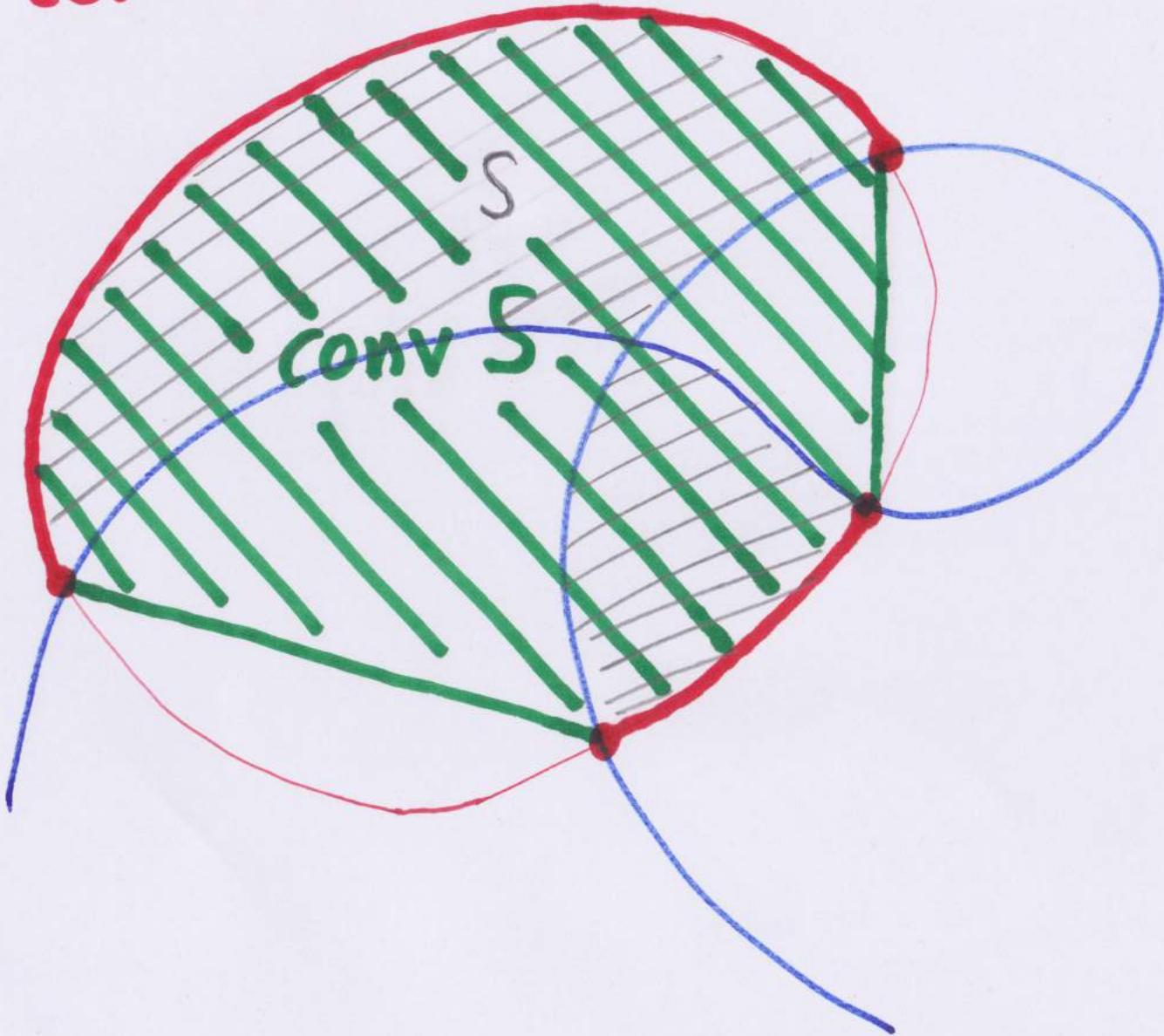
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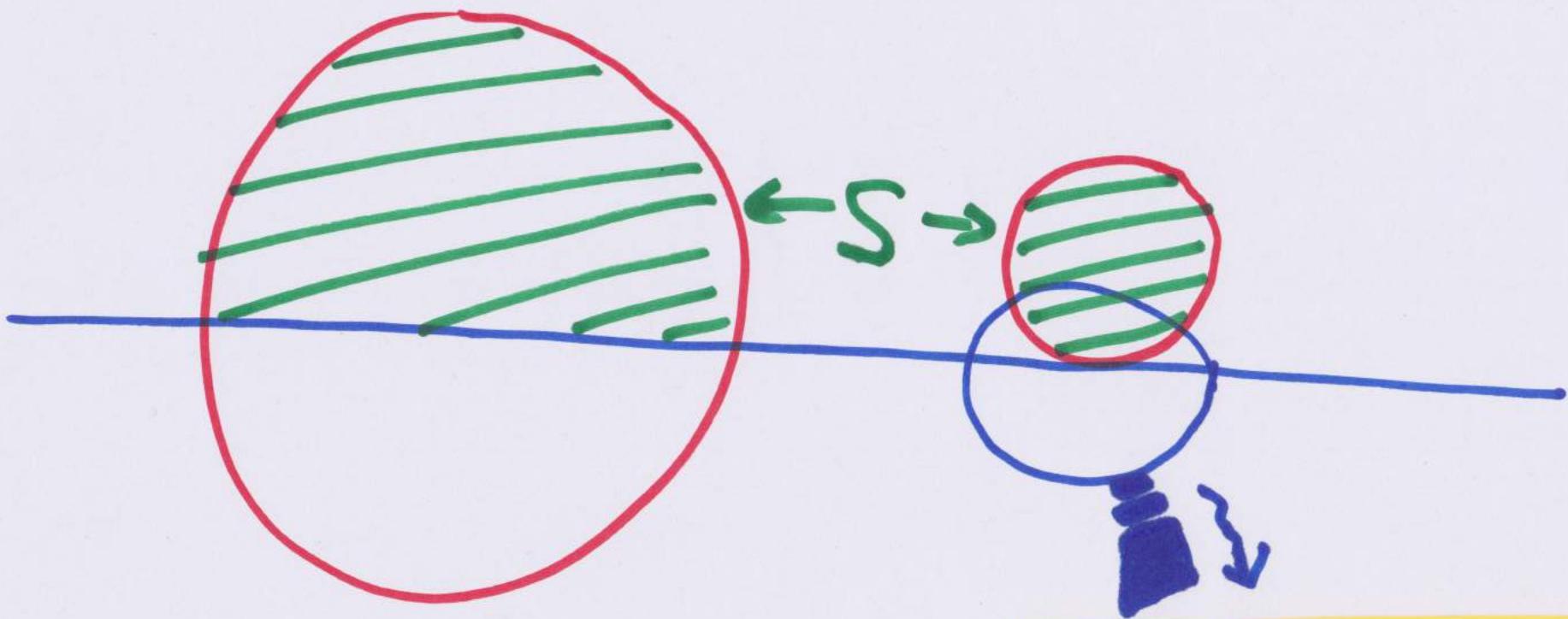
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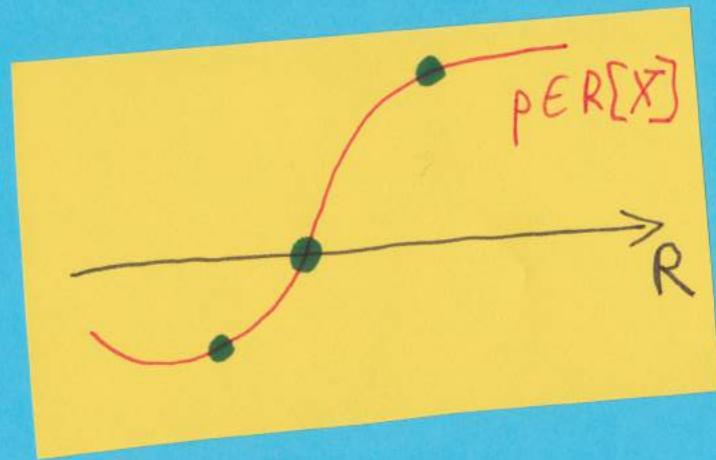
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Choose extremal separating functional (real valued!) ...

\mathcal{O}_R^n 

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