

Poincaré meets Korn via Maxwell: Extending Korn's First Inequality to Incompatible Tensor Fields

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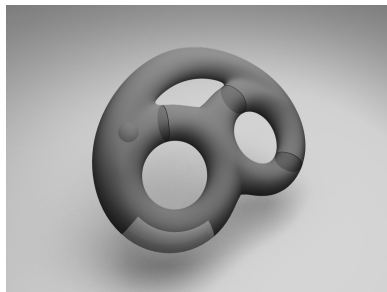
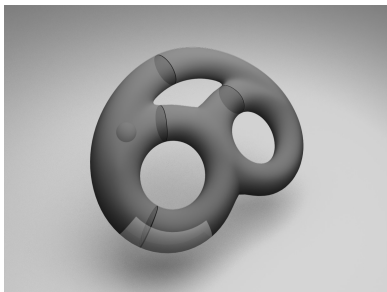
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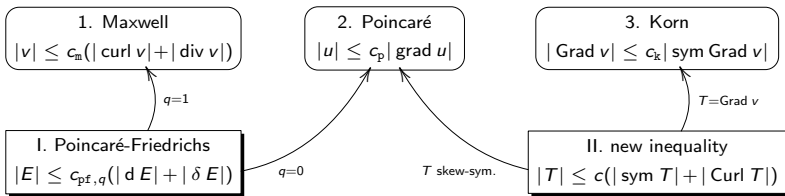
Two ways to cut a sliceable domain:



(Many Thanks to Kostas Pamfilos for the pictures.)

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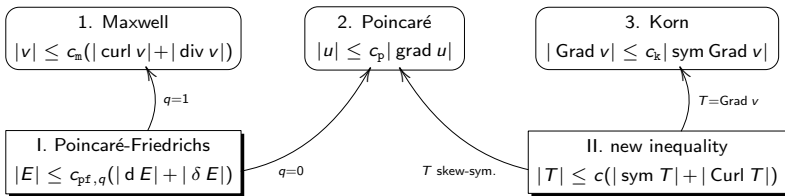
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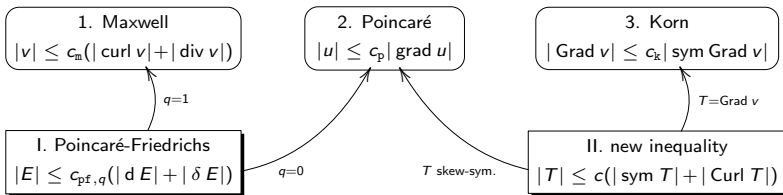
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