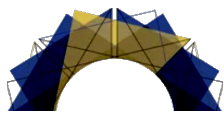


## Notes on EarthDay 2025 Animation

Jeffrey Ventrella, 2025



<https://gallery.bridgesmathart.org/exhibitions/2025-bridges-short-film-festival/jeffrey-ventrella>

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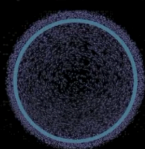
This video shows a series of geometrical transformations.

A disk of swirling particles morphs into a square via a "squircle" inspired by Chamberlain Fong.

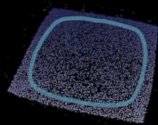
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The square then morphs into a hyperbolic surface.

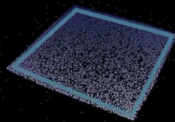
Opposite corners of the square meet at the two poles of a sphere.



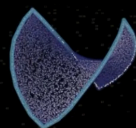
disk



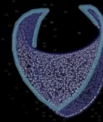
squircle



square

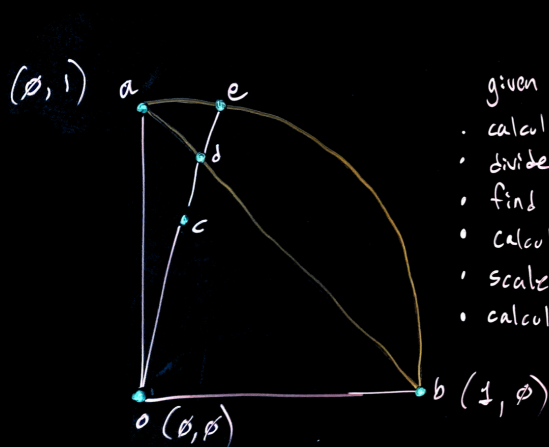


hyperbolic surface



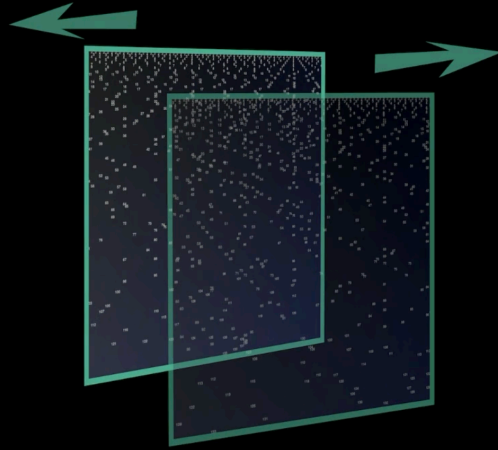
sphere

**Squircle recipe:**  
mapping a point on a disk to  
a point on a point on a square



- given  $c$ .
- calculate distance from  $o$  to  $c$ . Call it  $dist$
  - divide  $oc$  by  $dist$  to get unit vector  $oe$
  - find  $d$  as intersection of  $oe$  and  $ab$
  - calculate distance from  $d$  to  $c$ . Call it  $shift$ .
  - scale  $shift$  by  $dist^2$
  - calculate  $shiftedc$  as  $c - oe \times shift$

The background is made with two scrolling Divisor Plots: [divisorplot.com](https://divisorplot.com)



3D transformations, particle physics, and  
divisor plot written in pure minimalist  
JavaScript; run on a browser; recorded  
with ScreenFlow