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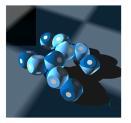
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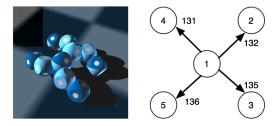
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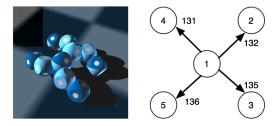
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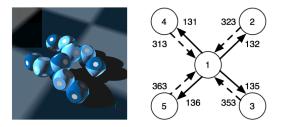
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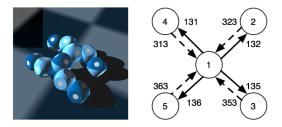
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- Maybe try to memorize some patterns.

• Our goal is to learn a gait by optmization :

$$\max_{\mathbf{X}} f(\mathbf{X}, \alpha) \tag{1}$$

- We don't know a mathematical expression for f, but f is:
 - nonlinear.
 - multimodal.

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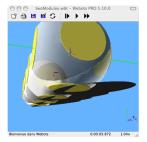
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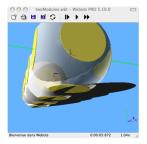


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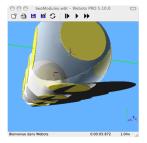
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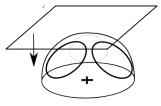
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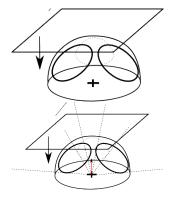
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Problem : Difficulty to implement it in webots.

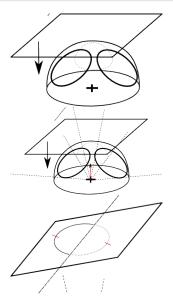
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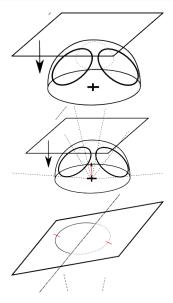
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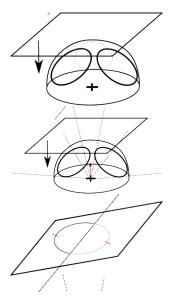
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Questions ?

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