

# The Double Simplex: Envisioning Particles & Interactions

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# ELEMENTARY PARTICLES



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Three Generations of Matter

# Standard Model of FUNDAMENTAL PARTICLES AND INTERACTIONS

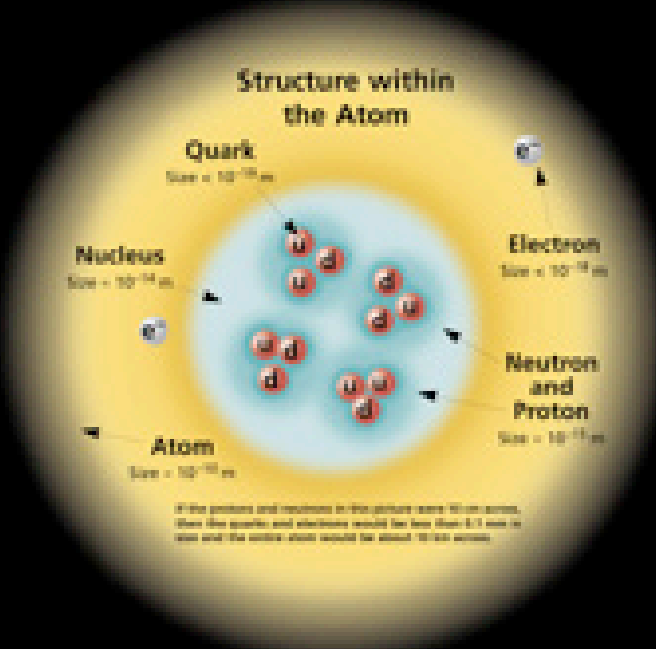
The Standard Model summarizes the current knowledge in Particle Physics. It is the quantum theory that includes the theory of strong interactions (quantum chromodynamics or QCD) and the unified theory of weak and electromagnetic interactions (electroweak). Gravity is included on this chart because it is one of the fundamental interactions even though not part of the "Standard Model."

## FERMIONS

matter constituents  
spin = 1/2, 3/2, 5/2, ...

Leptons spin = 1/2		
Flavor	Mass GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	Electric charge
$\nu_e$ electron neutrino	<1 × 10 <sup>-9</sup>	0
$e^-$ electron	0.000511	-1
$\nu_\mu$ muon neutrino	<0.0002	0
$\mu^-$ muon	0.106	-1
$\nu_\tau$ tau neutrino	<0.02	0
$\tau^-$ tau	1.7771	-1

Quarks spin = 1/2		
Flavor	Approx. Mass GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	Electric charge
$u$ up	0.003	2/3
$d$ down	0.006	-1/3
$c$ charm	1.3	2/3
$s$ strange	0.1	-1/3
$t$ top	175	2/3
$b$ bottom	4.3	-1/3



## BOSONS

force carriers  
spin = 0, 1, 2, ...

Unified Electroweak spin = 1		
Name	Mass GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	Electric charge
$\gamma$ photon	0	0
$W^-$	80.4	-1
$W^+$	80.4	+1
$Z^0$	91.187	0

Strong (color) spin = 1		
Name	Mass GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	Electric charge
$g$ gluon	0	0

**Color Charge**  
Each quark carries one of three types of "strong charge," also called "color charge." These charges have nothing to do with the color of visible light. There are eight possible types of color charge for gluons, just as there are eight possible types of color charge for quarks.

Color-charged particles interact by exchanging photons, or strong interactions color-charged particles interact by exchanging gluons. Leptons, photons, and  $W$  and  $Z$  bosons have no strong interactions and hence no color charge.

### Quarks Confined in Mesons and Baryons

One cannot isolate quarks and gluons; they are confined in color-neutral particles called hadrons. This confinement (binding) results from multiple exchanges of gluons among the color-charged constituents. As color-charged particles (quarks and gluons) move apart, the energy in the color force field between them increases. This energy eventually is converted into additional quark-antiquark pairs (see figure below). The quarks and antiquarks then combine into hadrons; these are the particles with no energy. Two types of hadrons have been observed in nature: mesons ( $q\bar{q}$ ) and baryons ( $qqq$ ).

### Residual Strong Interaction

The strong binding of color-neutral protons and neutrons to form nuclei is due to residual strong interactions between their color-charged constituents. It is similar to the residual electrical interaction that binds electrically neutral atoms to form molecules. It can also be viewed as the exchange of mesons between the hadrons.

**Spin** is the intrinsic angular momentum of particles. Spin is given in units of  $\hbar$ , which is the quantum unit of angular momentum, where  $\hbar = 6.58 \times 10^{-22}$  GeV s or  $1.05 \times 10^{-34}$  J s.

**Electric charges** are given in units of the proton's charge. In SI units the electric charge of the proton is  $1.60 \times 10^{-19}$  coulombs.

The energy unit of particle physics is the electronvolt (eV), the energy gained by one electron in crossing a potential difference of one volt. **Masses** are given in GeV/c<sup>2</sup> (remember  $E = mc^2$ ), where 1 GeV =  $10^9$  eV =  $1.60 \times 10^{-10}$  joule. The mass of the proton is 0.938 GeV/c<sup>2</sup> =  $1.67 \times 10^{-27}$  kg.

## PROPERTIES OF THE INTERACTIONS

Baryons (qqq) and Antibaryons (q̄q̄q̄)					
Baryons are fermionic hadrons. There are about 120 types of baryons.					
Symbol	Name	Quark content	Electric charge	Mass GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	Spin
$p$	proton	$uud$	1	0.938	1/2
$\bar{p}$	anti-proton	$\bar{u}\bar{u}\bar{d}$	-1	0.938	1/2
$n$	neutron	$udd$	0	0.940	1/2
$\Lambda$	lambda	$uds$	0	1.116	1/2
$\Sigma^-$	sigma	$sds$	-1	1.073	1/2

Property	Interaction				
	Gravitational	Weak (Electroweak)		Electromagnetic	Strong
Acts on:	Mass - Energy	Flavor	Electric Charge	Color Charge	Residual
Particles experiencing:	All	Quarks, Leptons	Electrically charged	Quarks, Gluons	Hadrons
Particles mediating:	Graviton (not yet observed)	$W^+ W^- Z^0$	$\gamma$	Gluons	Mesons
Strength ratio to electromagnetism for two $u$ quarks at:	$10^{-41}$	0.8	1	25	Not applicable to quarks
	$10^{-41}$	$10^{-4}$	1	60	Not applicable to hadrons
to two protons in nucleus	$10^{-36}$	$10^{-7}$	1	20	

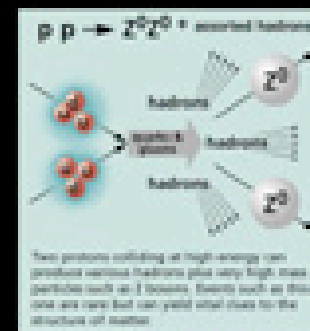
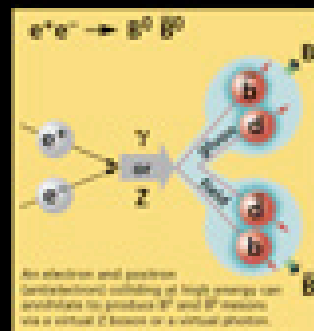
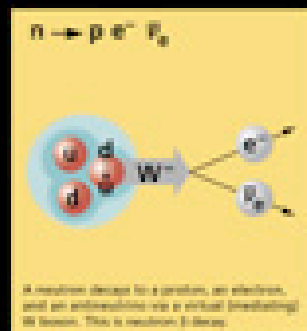
Mesons (q $\bar{q}$ )					
Mesons are bosonic hadrons. There are about 140 types of mesons.					
Symbol	Name	Quark content	Electric charge	Mass GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	Spin
$\pi^+$	pion	$u\bar{d}$	+1	0.140	0
$K^-$	kaon	$s\bar{u}$	-1	0.494	0
$\rho^+$	rho	$u\bar{d}$	+1	0.770	1
$B^0$	B meson	$d\bar{b}$	0	5.279	0
$\eta_c$	charmonium	$c\bar{c}$	0	3.090	0

### Matter and Antimatter

For every particle type there is a corresponding antiparticle type, denoted by a bar over the particle symbol (unless a  $\bar{q}$  or  $\bar{l}$  charge is shown). Particle and antiparticle have identical mass and spin but opposite charges. Some electrically neutral bosons (e.g.,  $Z^0$ ,  $\gamma$ , and  $\eta_c$  =  $c\bar{c}$ ), but not  $\pi^+$  =  $d\bar{u}$ ) are their own antiparticles.

### Figures

These diagrams are an artist's conception of physical processes. They are not exact and have no meaningful scale. Green shaded areas represent the cloud of gluons or the gluon field, and red lines the quark paths.



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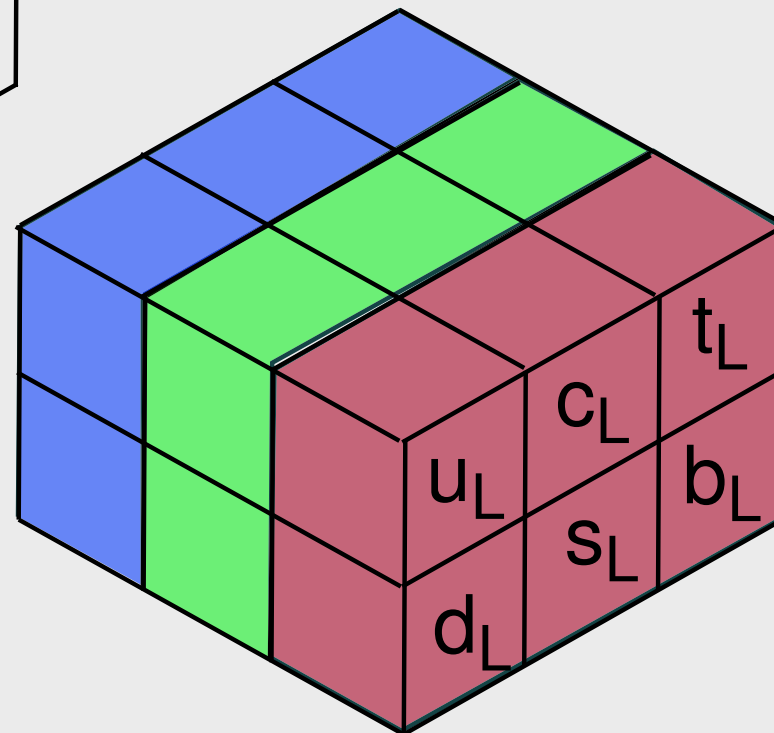
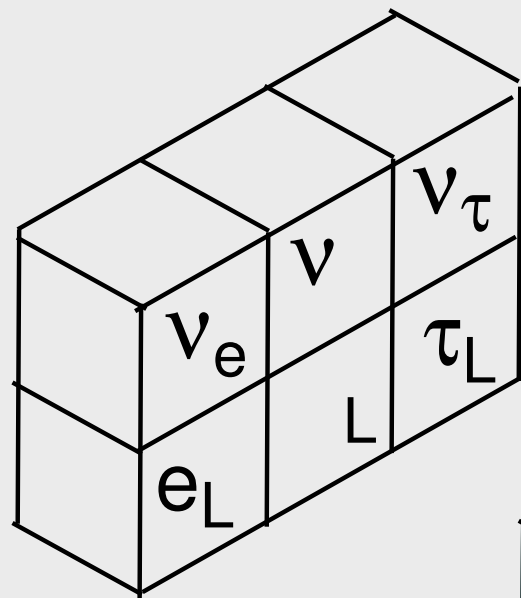
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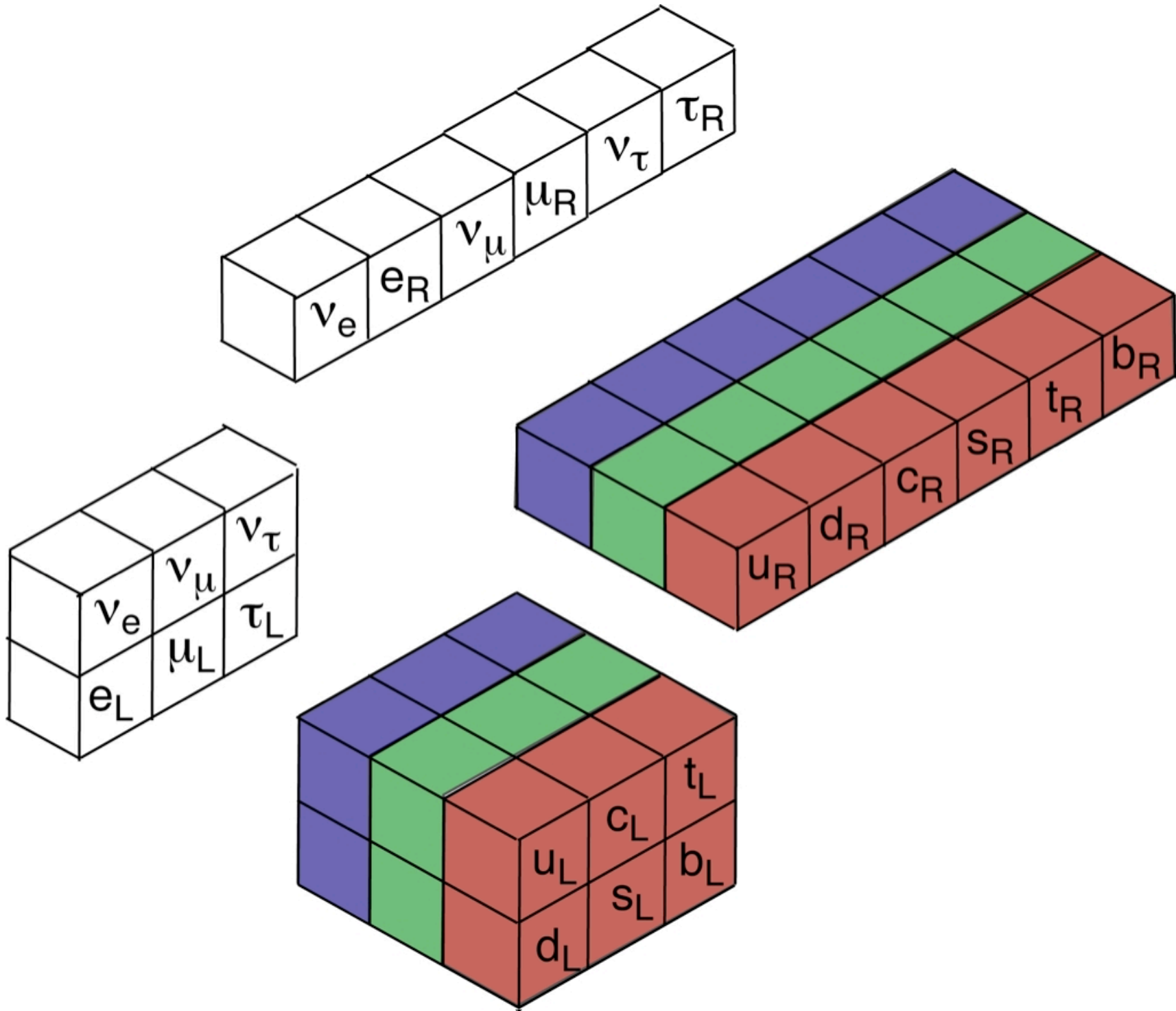
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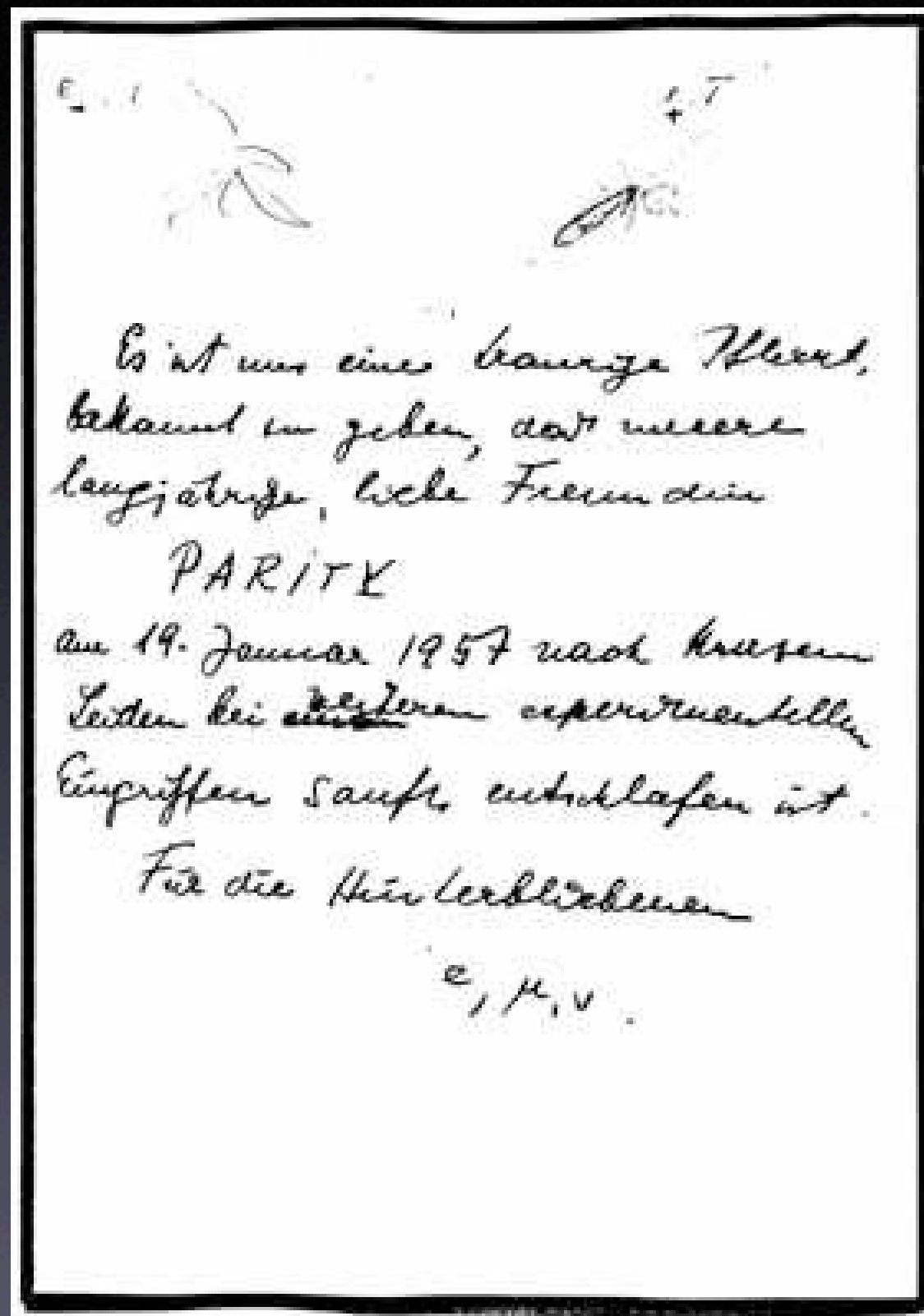






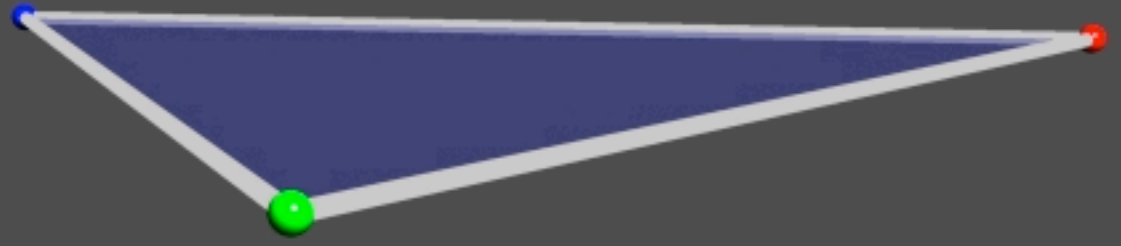


# Wolfgang Pauli on the Downfall of Parity:

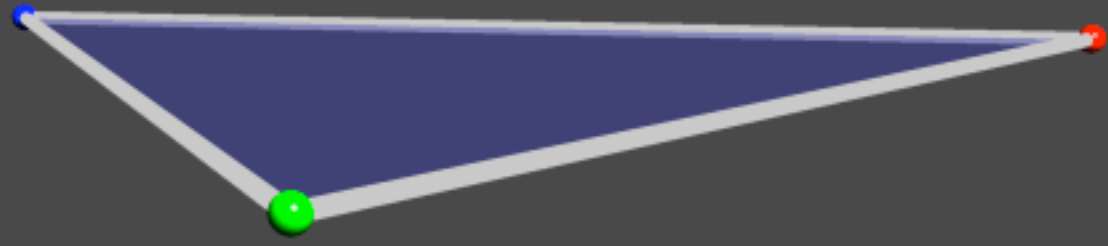


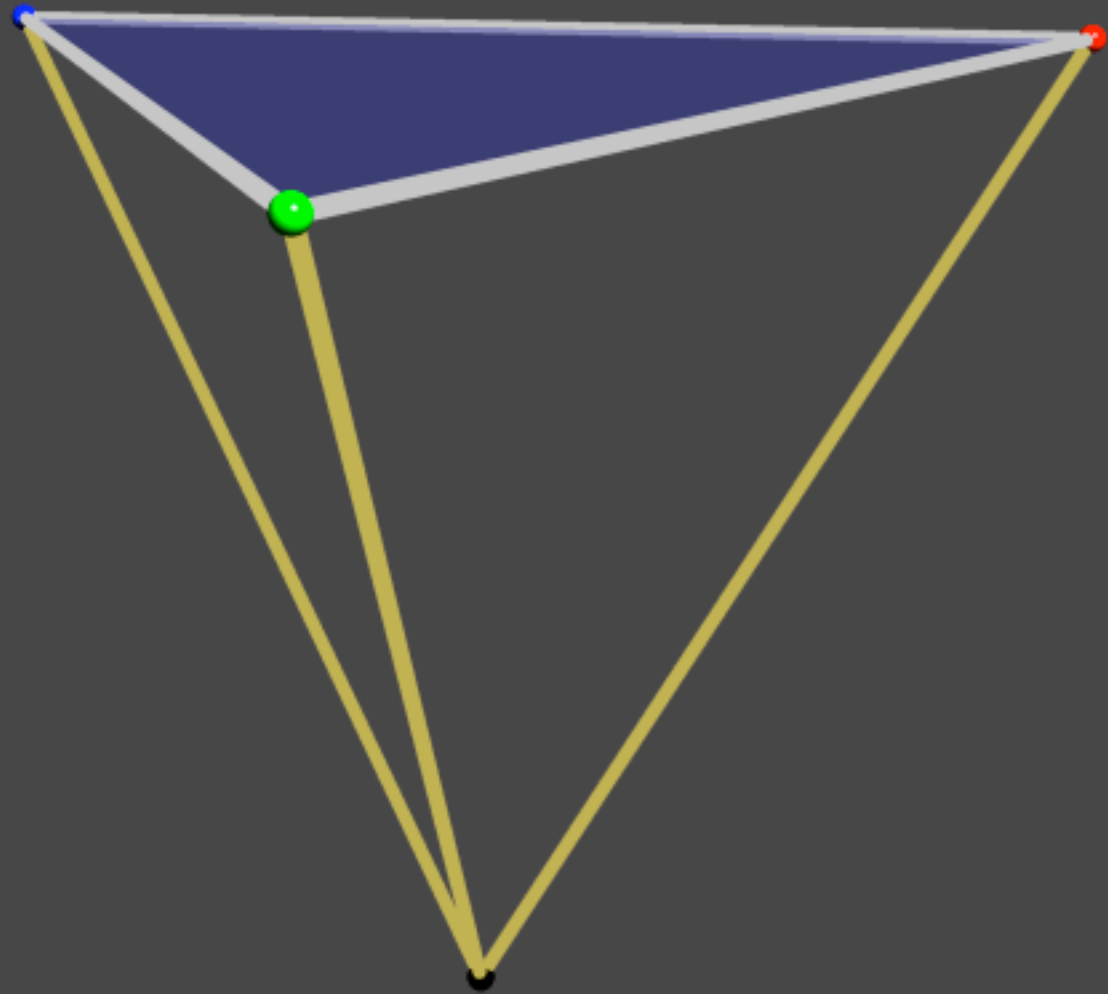
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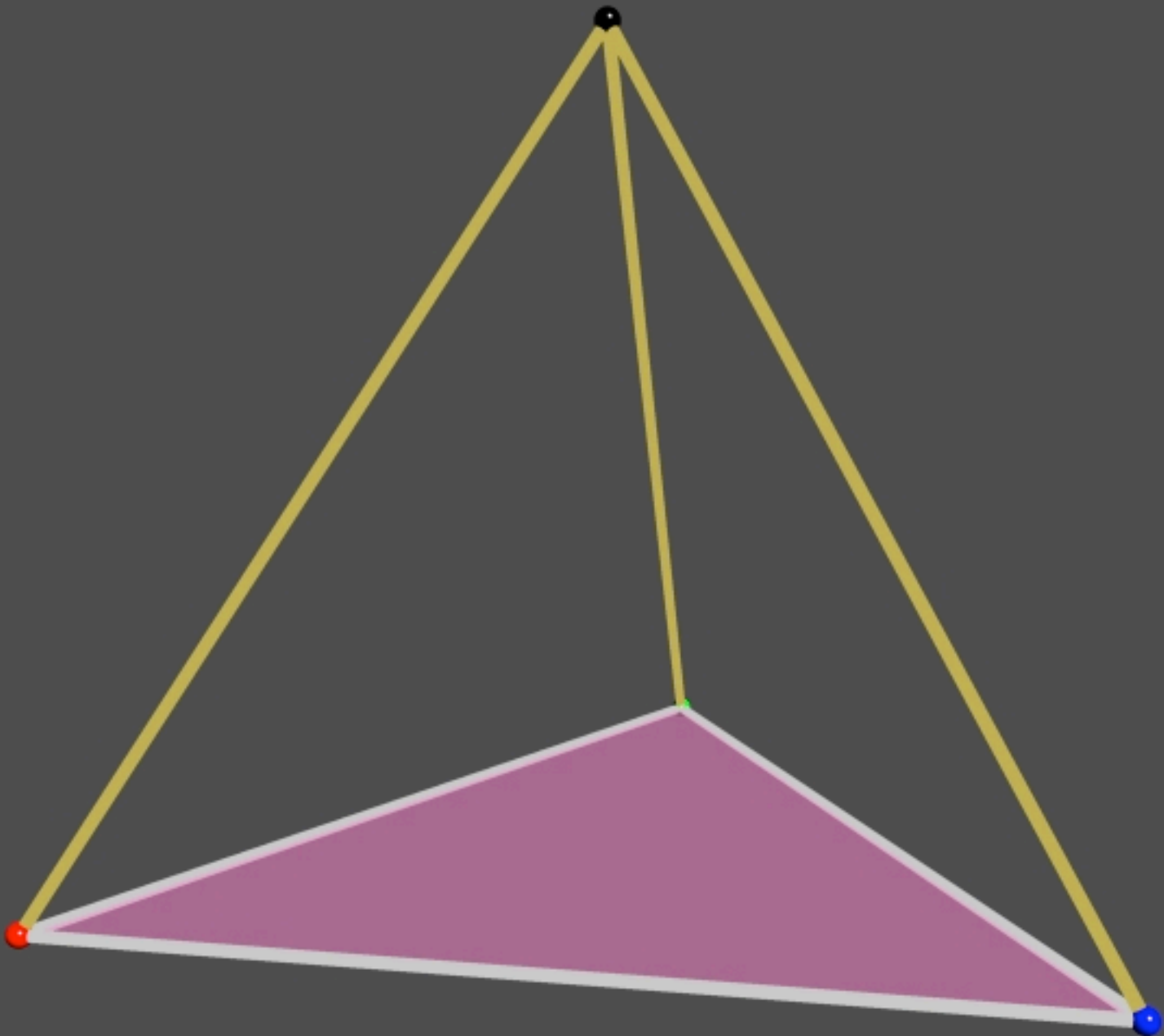




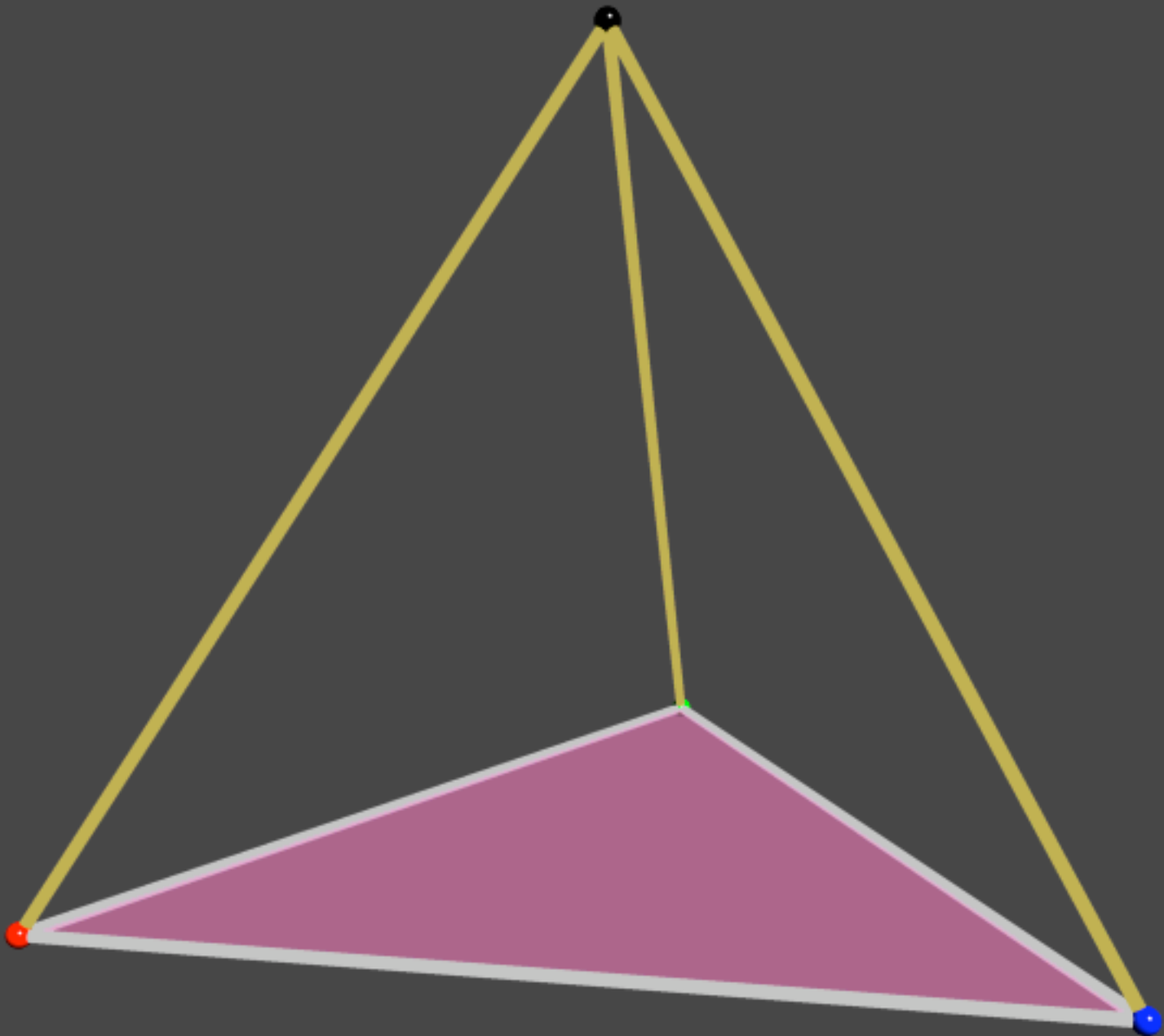


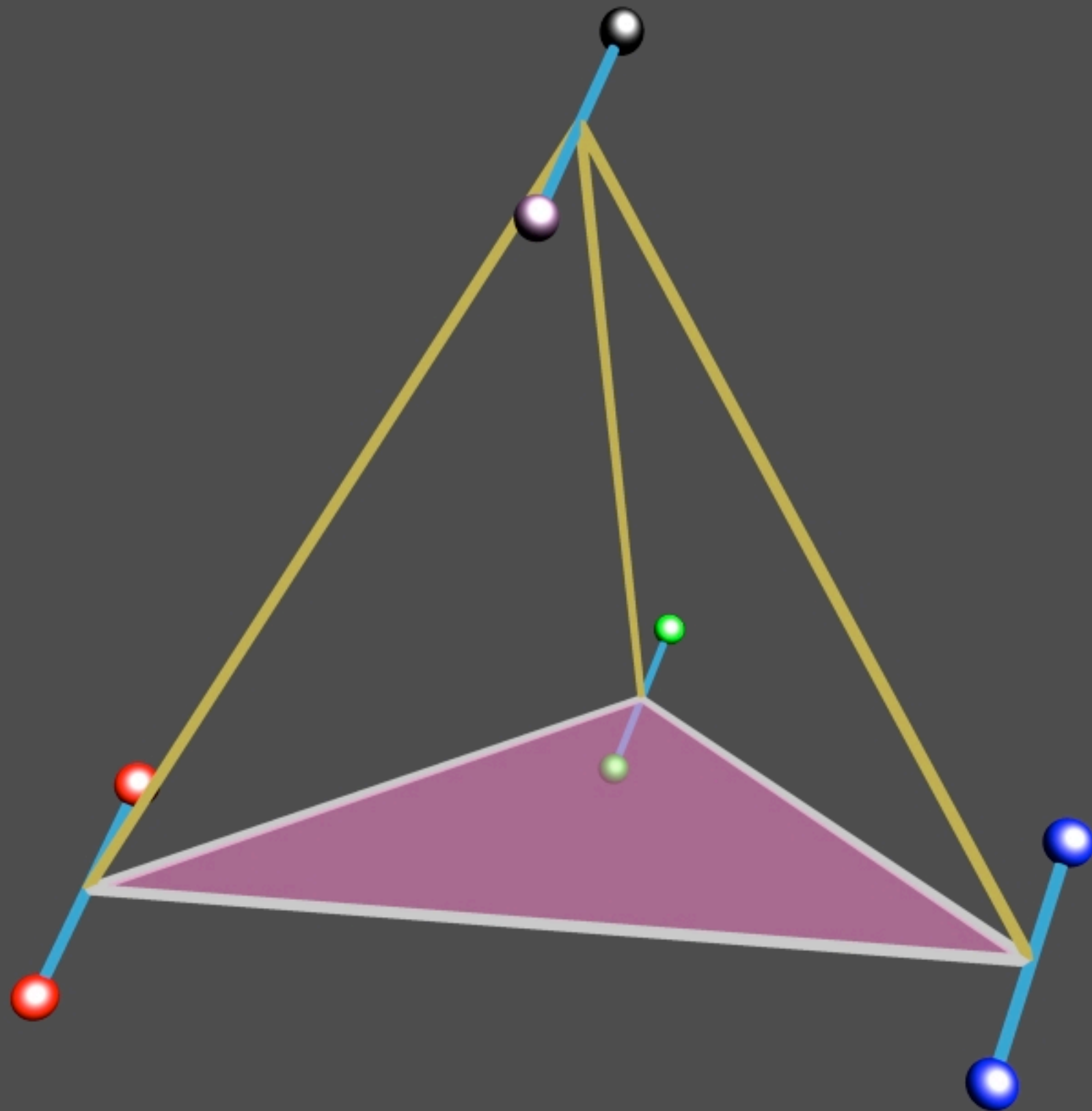


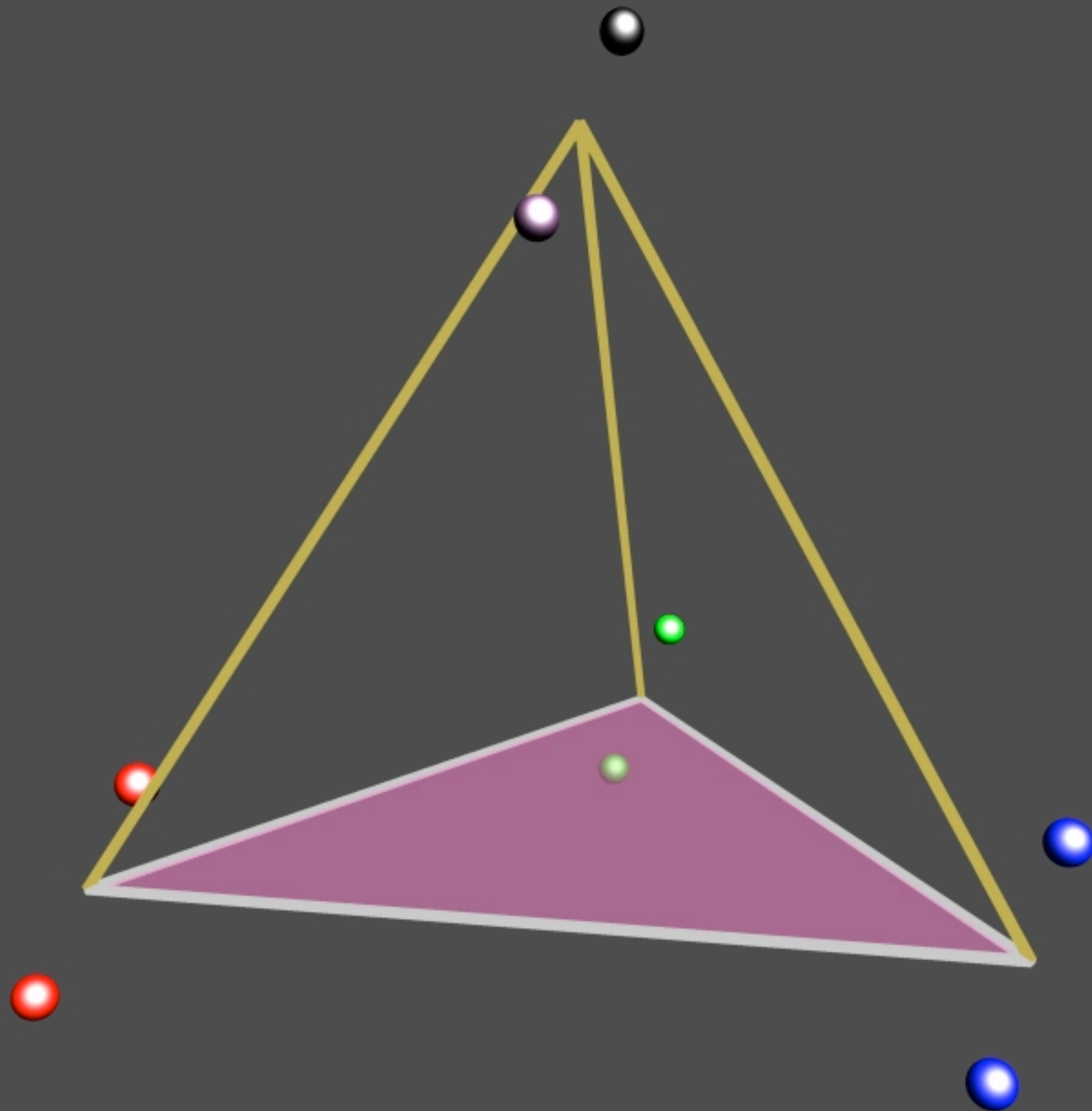




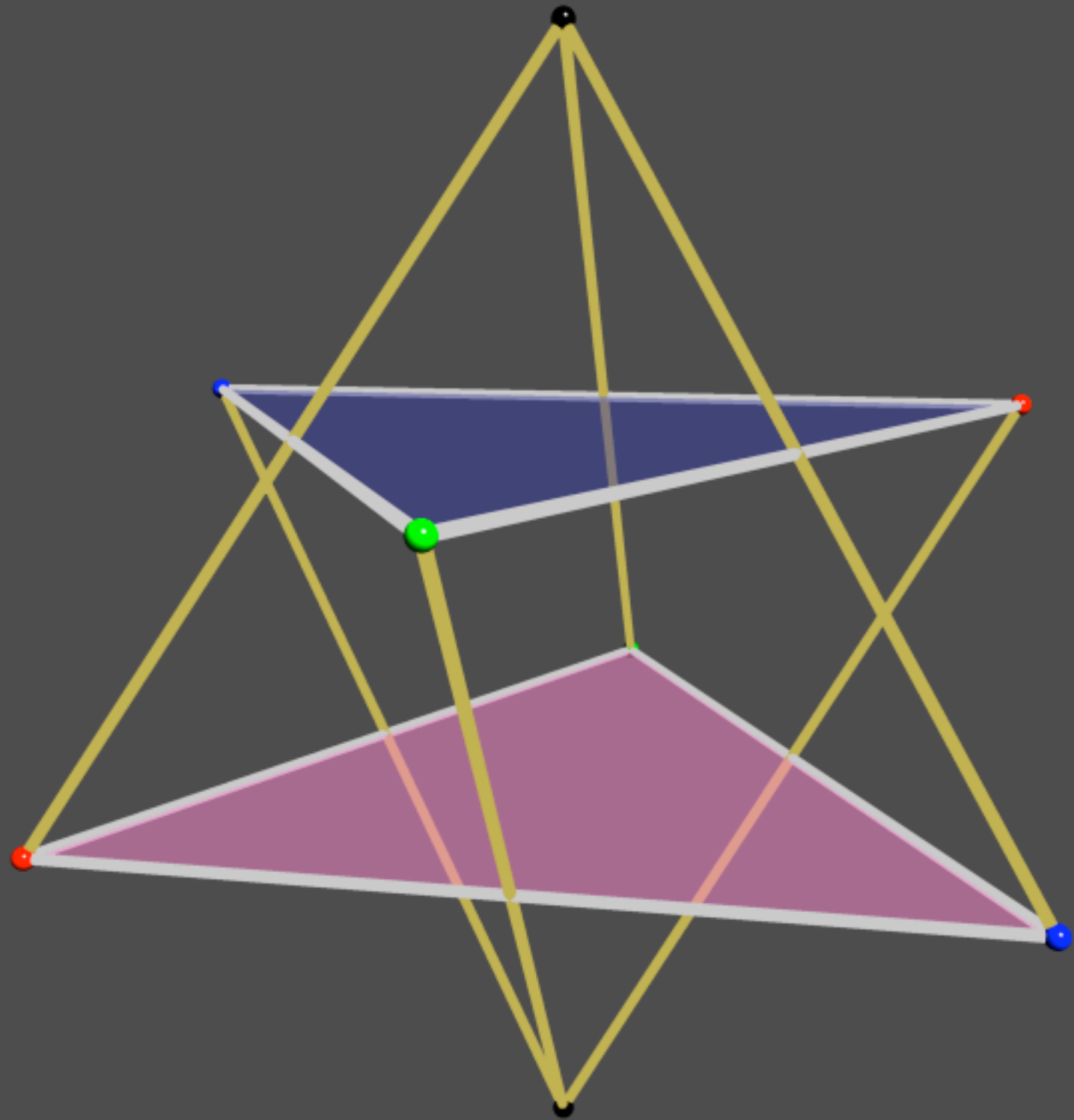


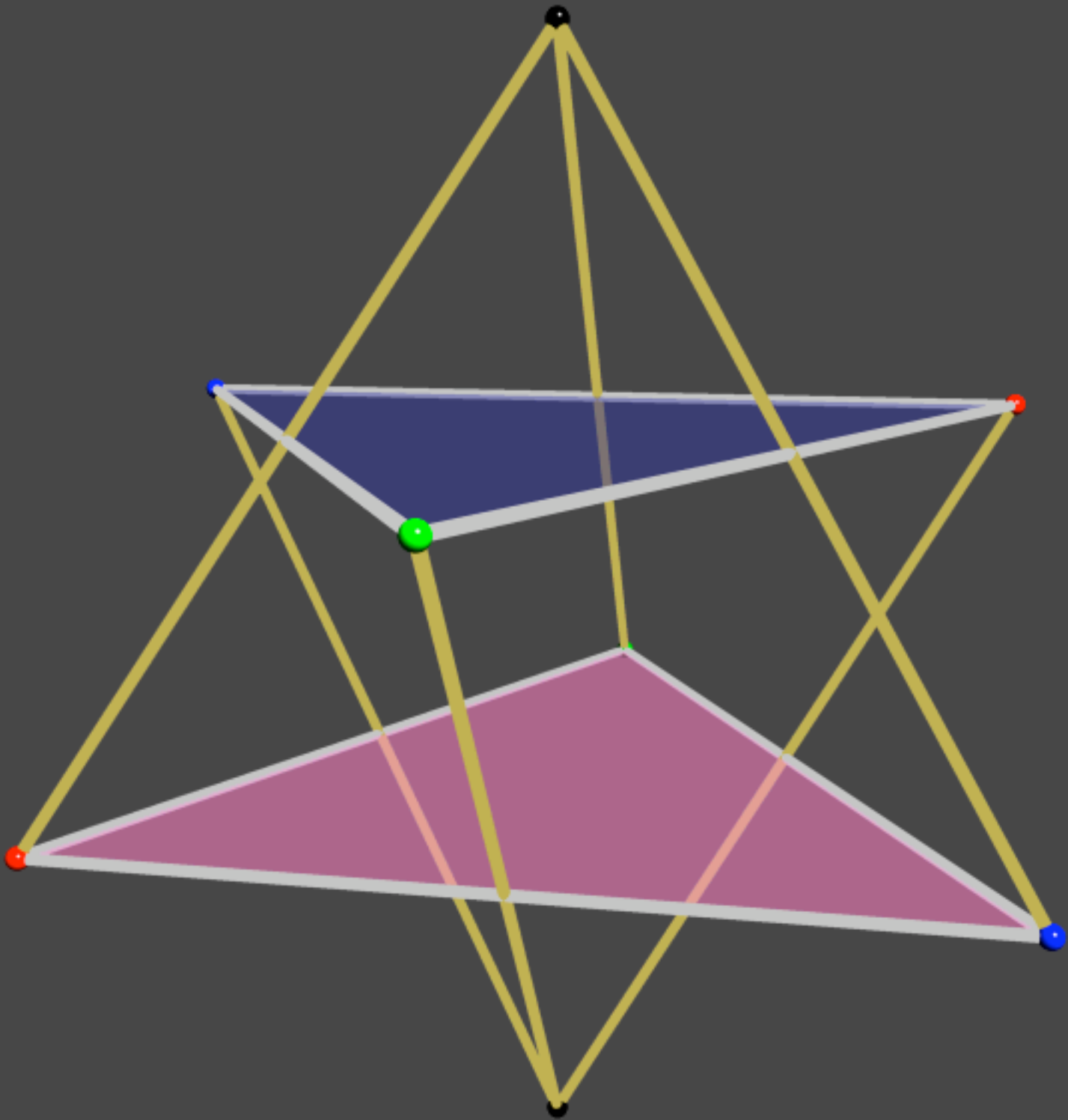


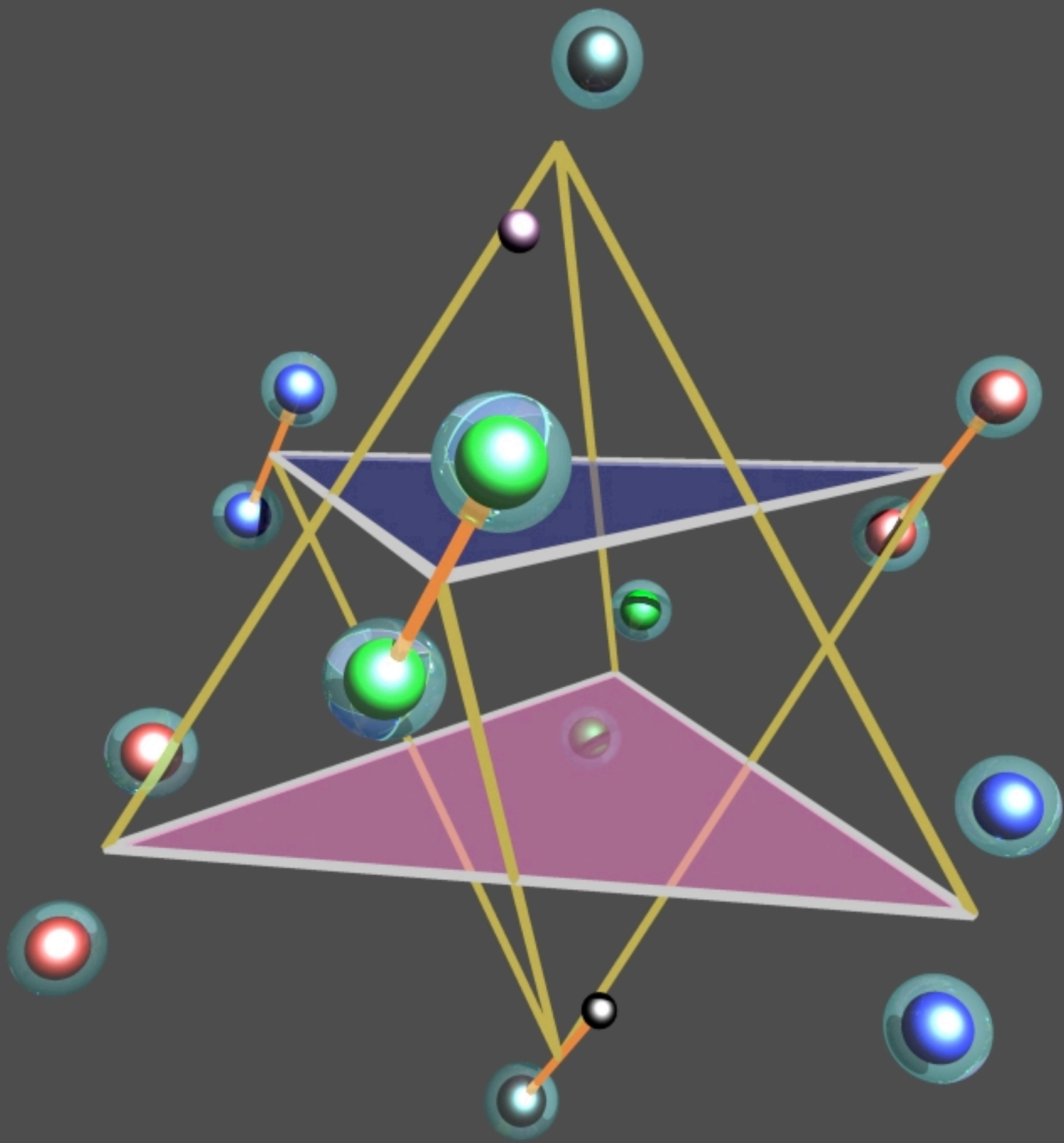




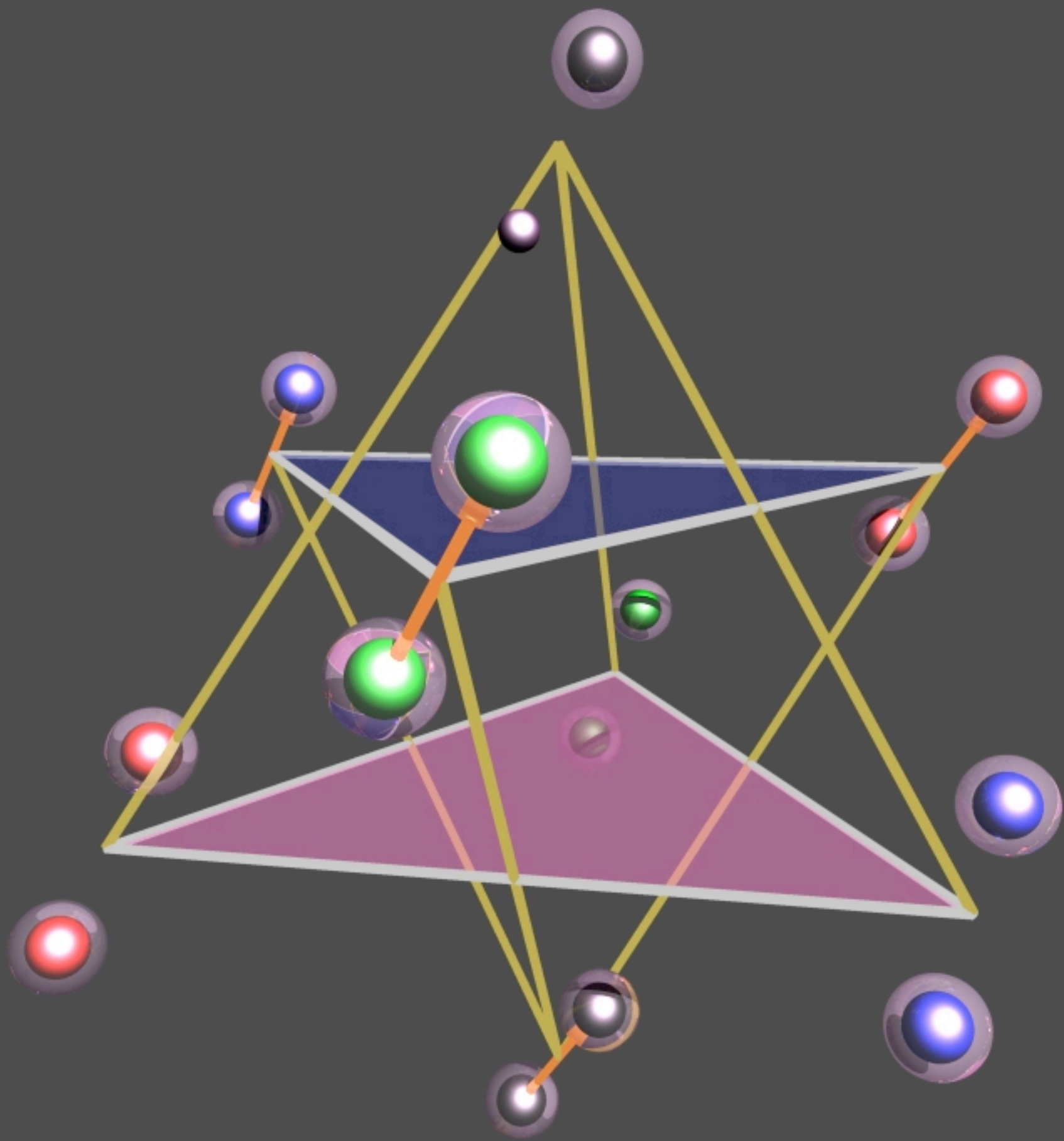












What would the world be like, if the

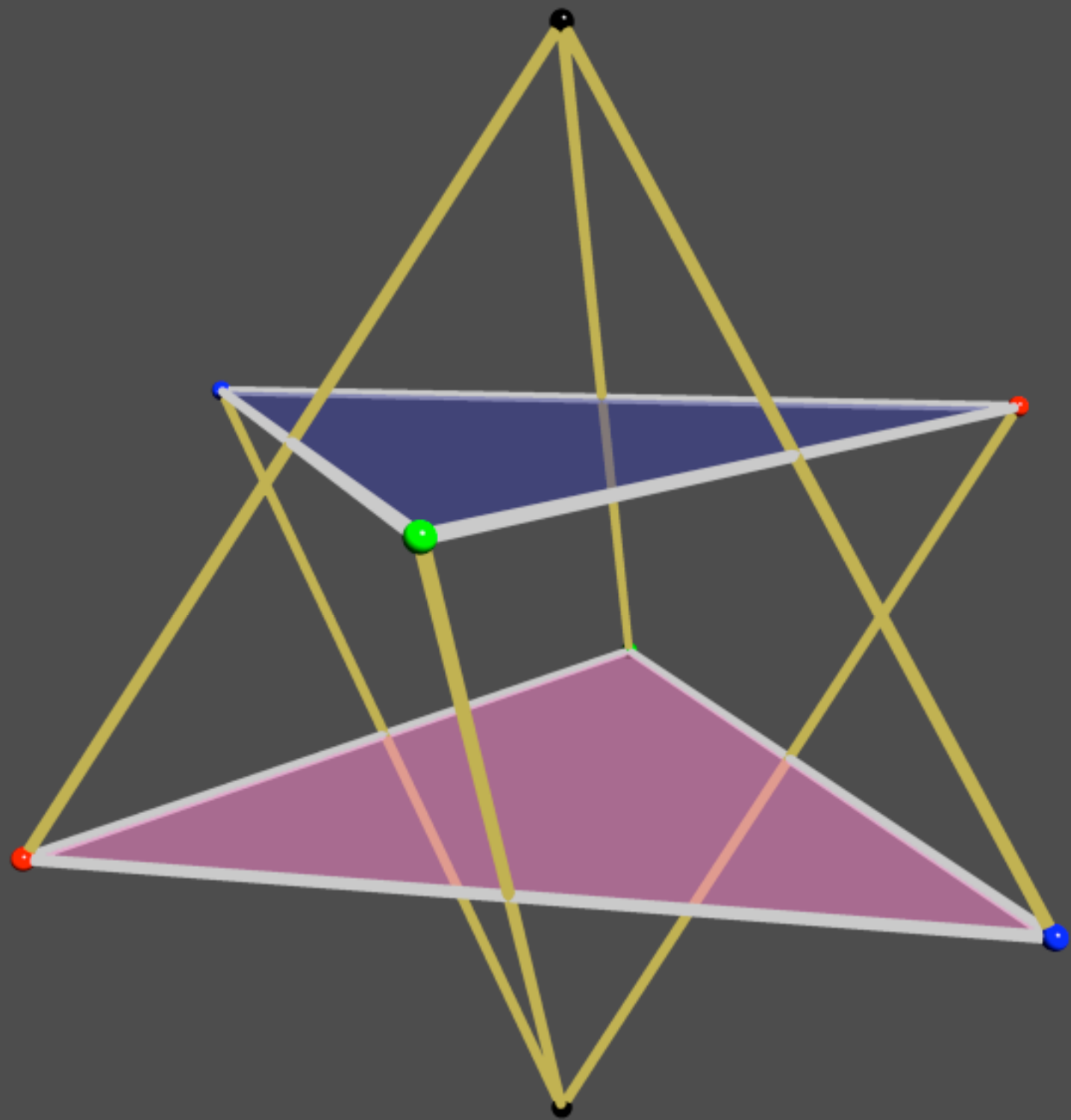
$$SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_Y$$

gauge symmetry were unbroken?

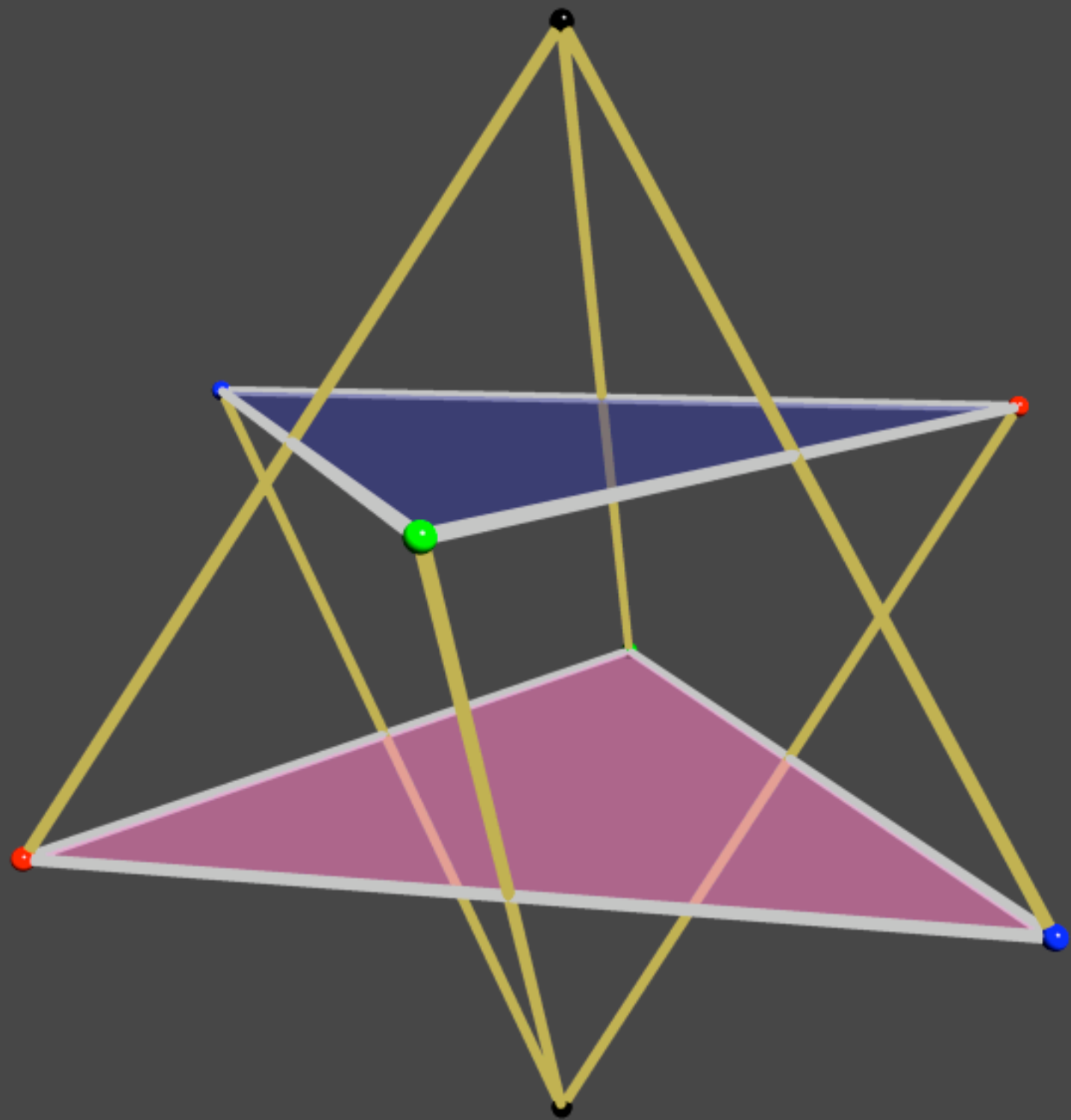
Consider the effects of *all* the

$$SU(3)_c \otimes SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_Y$$

gauge fields.

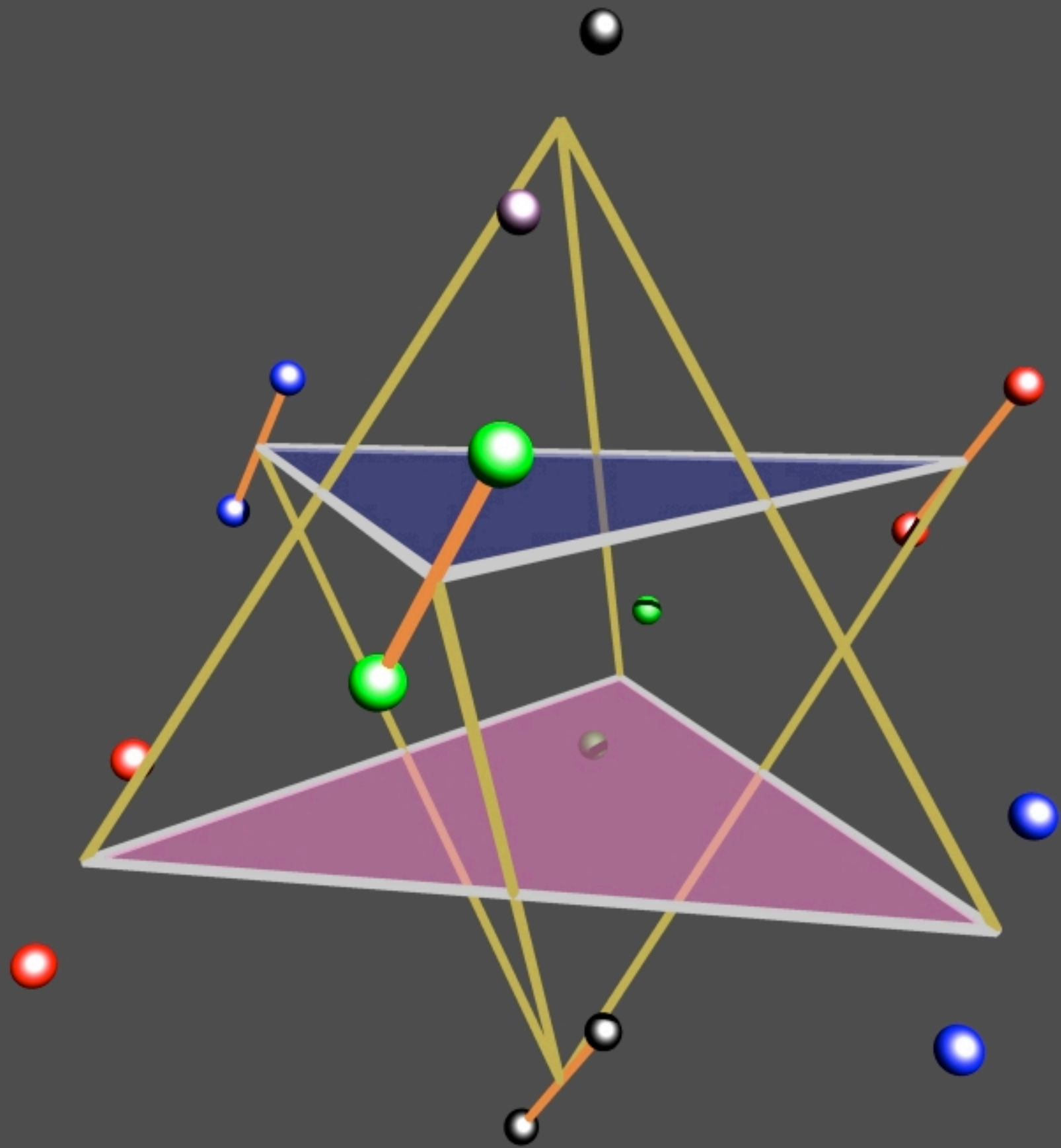


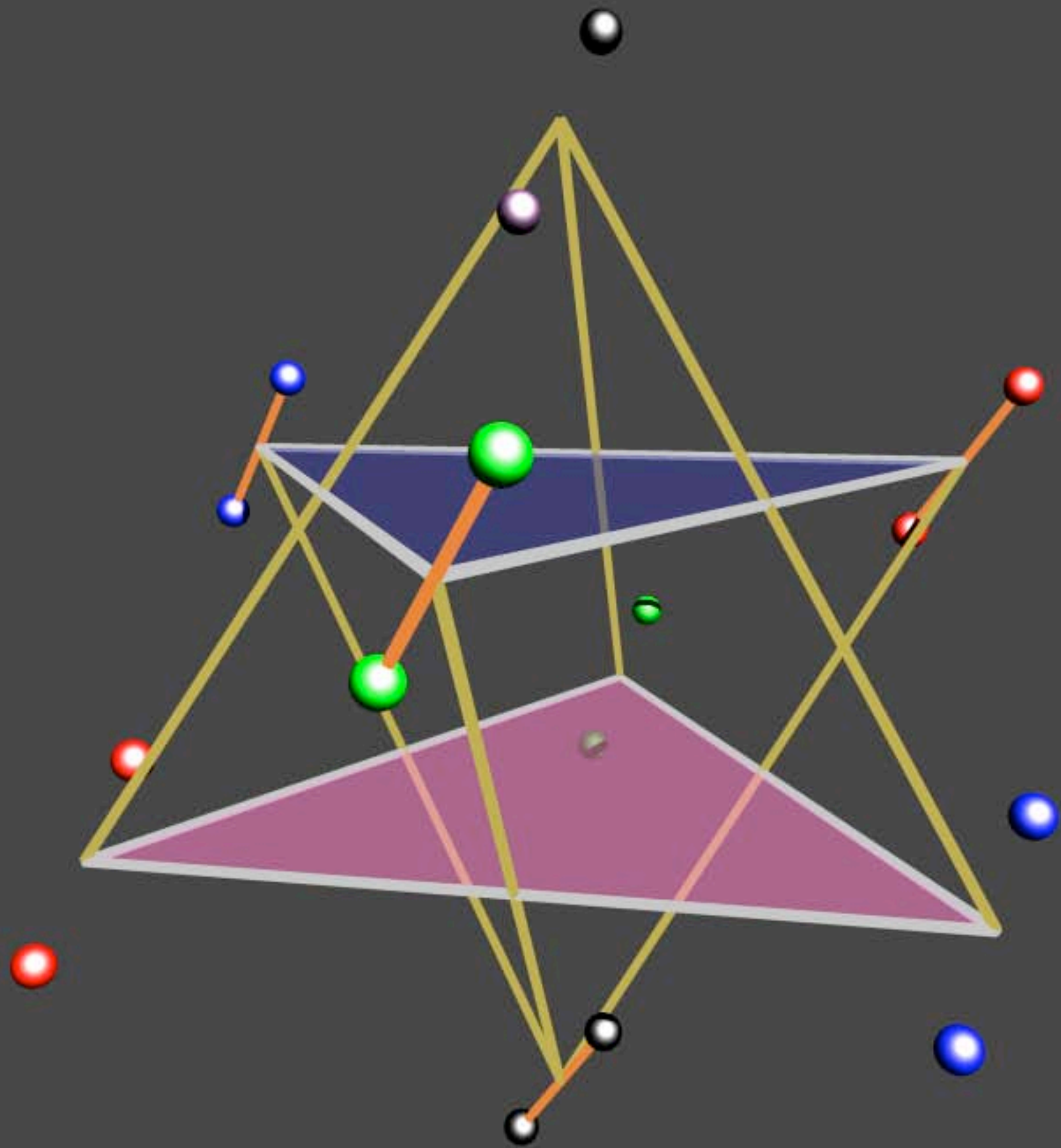




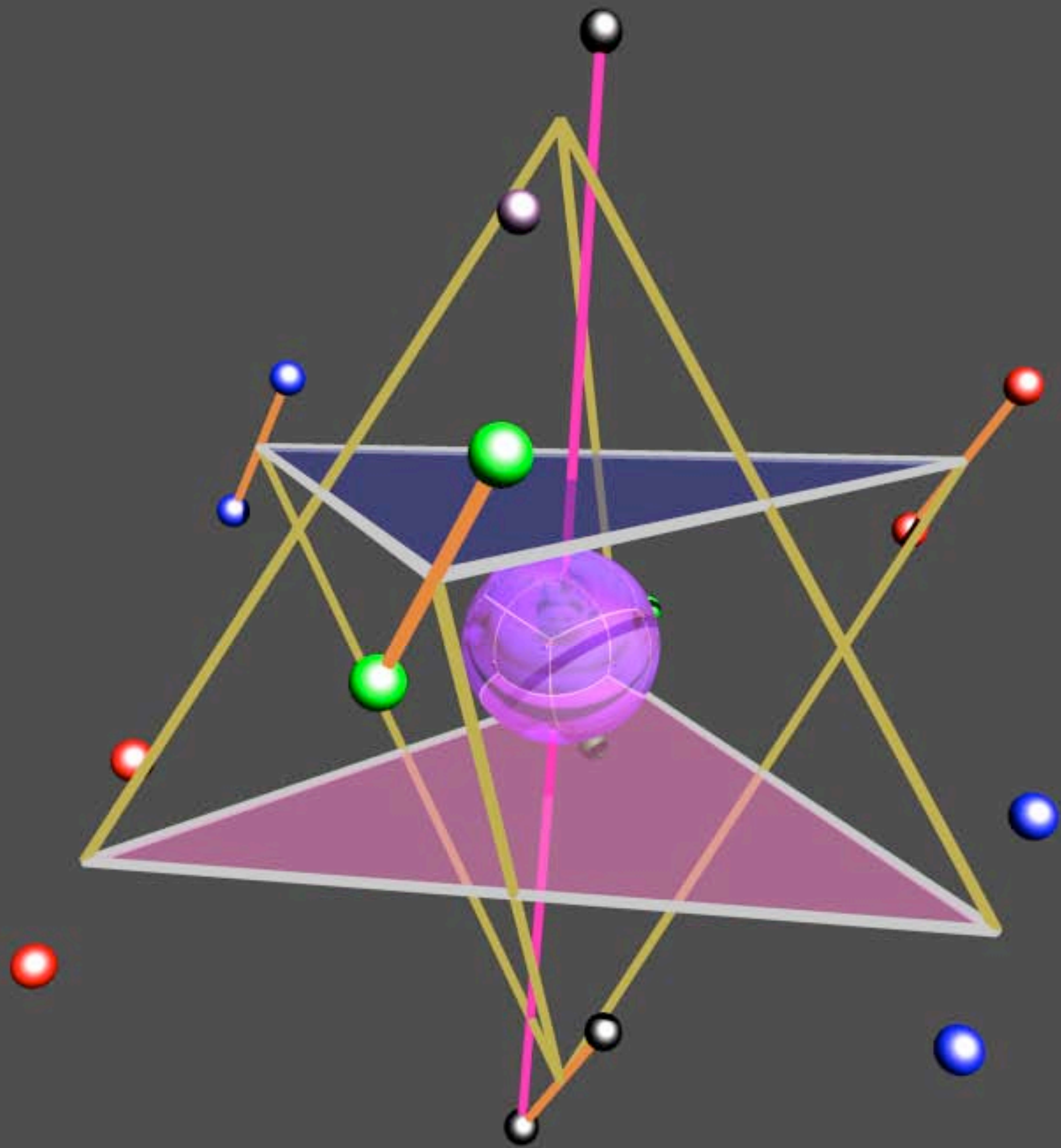
# Mass terms connect LH & RH fermions

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_e &= -m_e \bar{e} e \\ &= -m_e \bar{e} \left[ \frac{(1-\gamma_5)}{2} + \frac{(1+\gamma_5)}{2} \right] e \\ &= -m_e (\bar{e}_R e_L + \bar{e}_L e_R)\end{aligned}$$

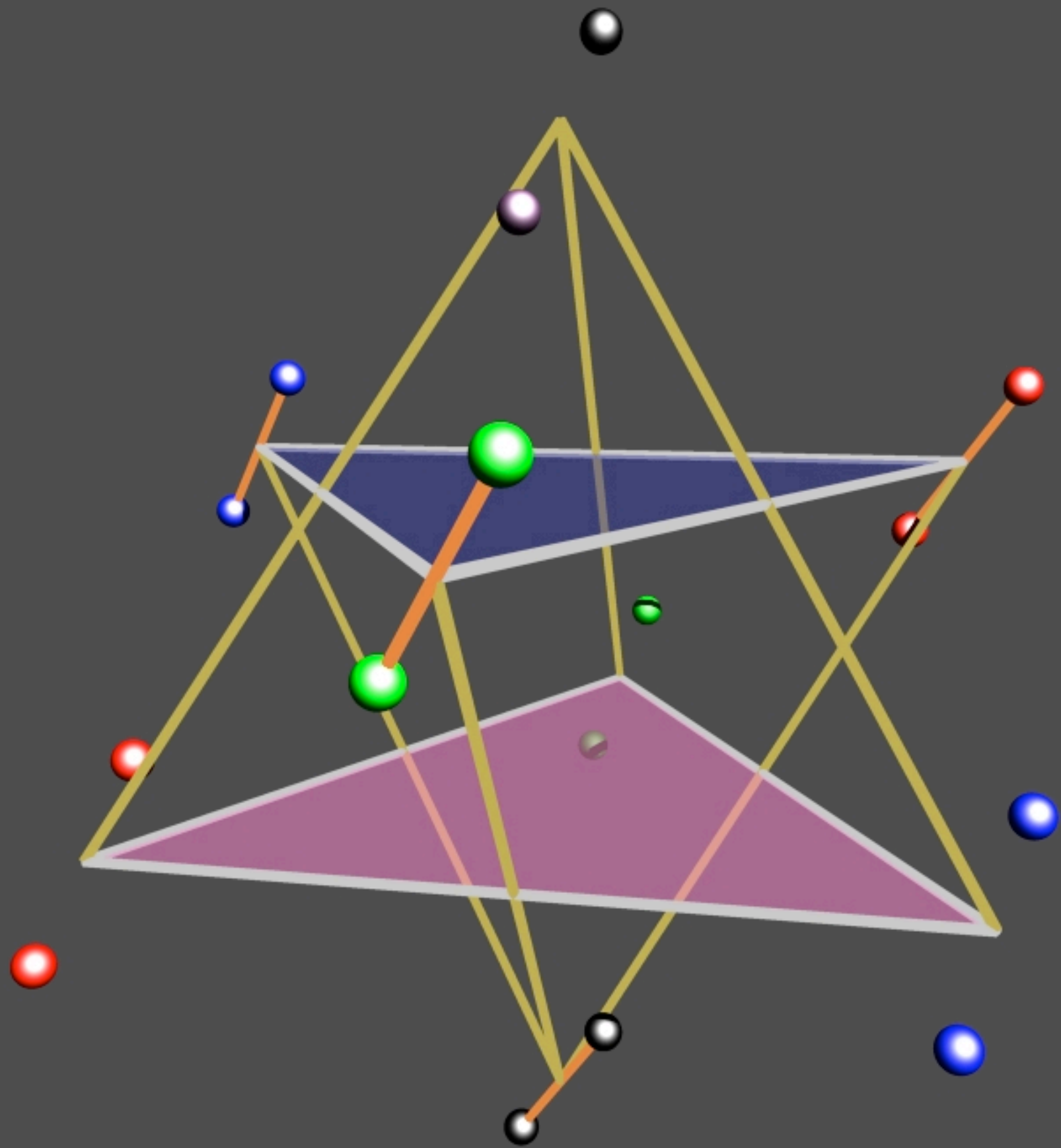


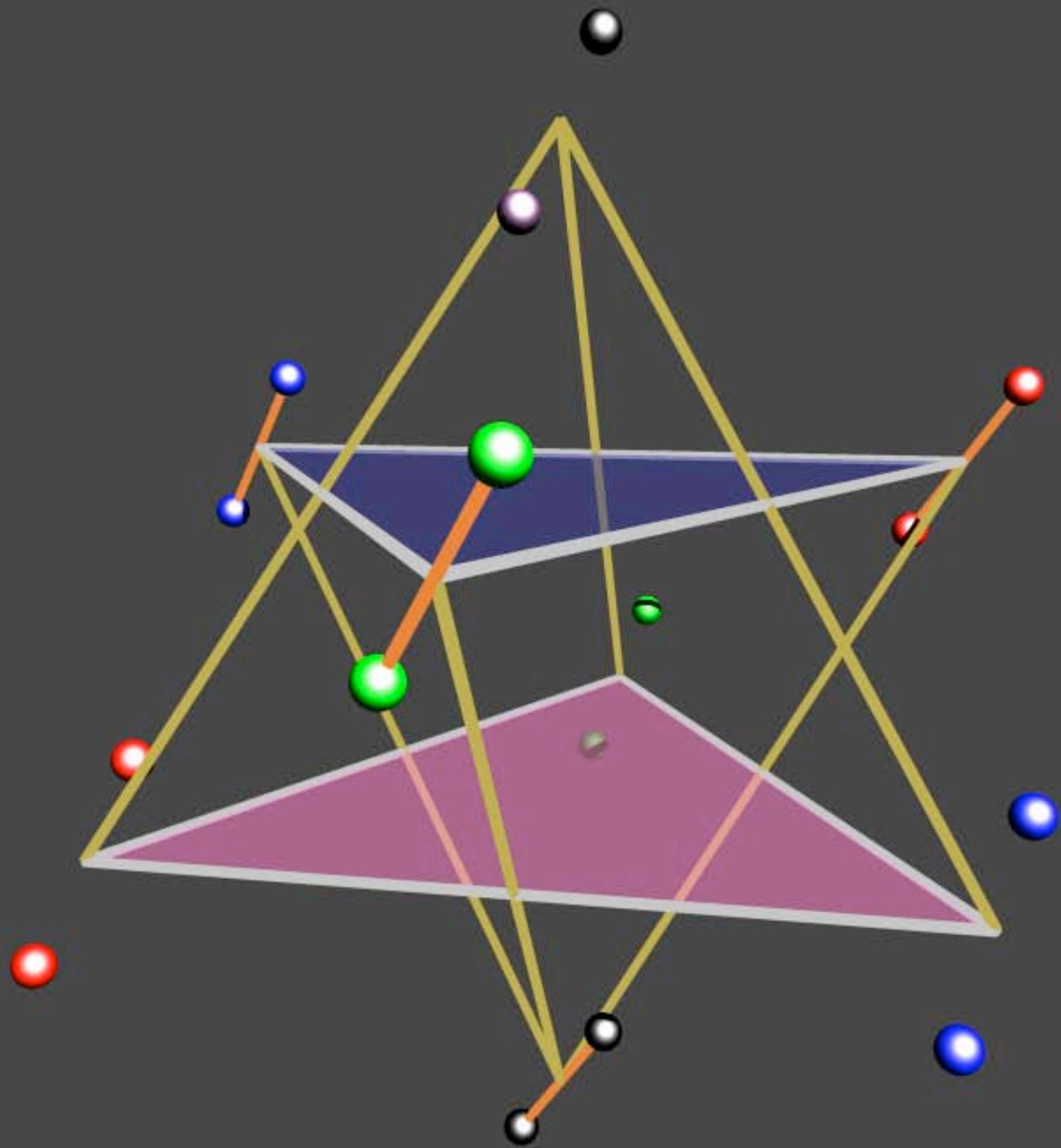


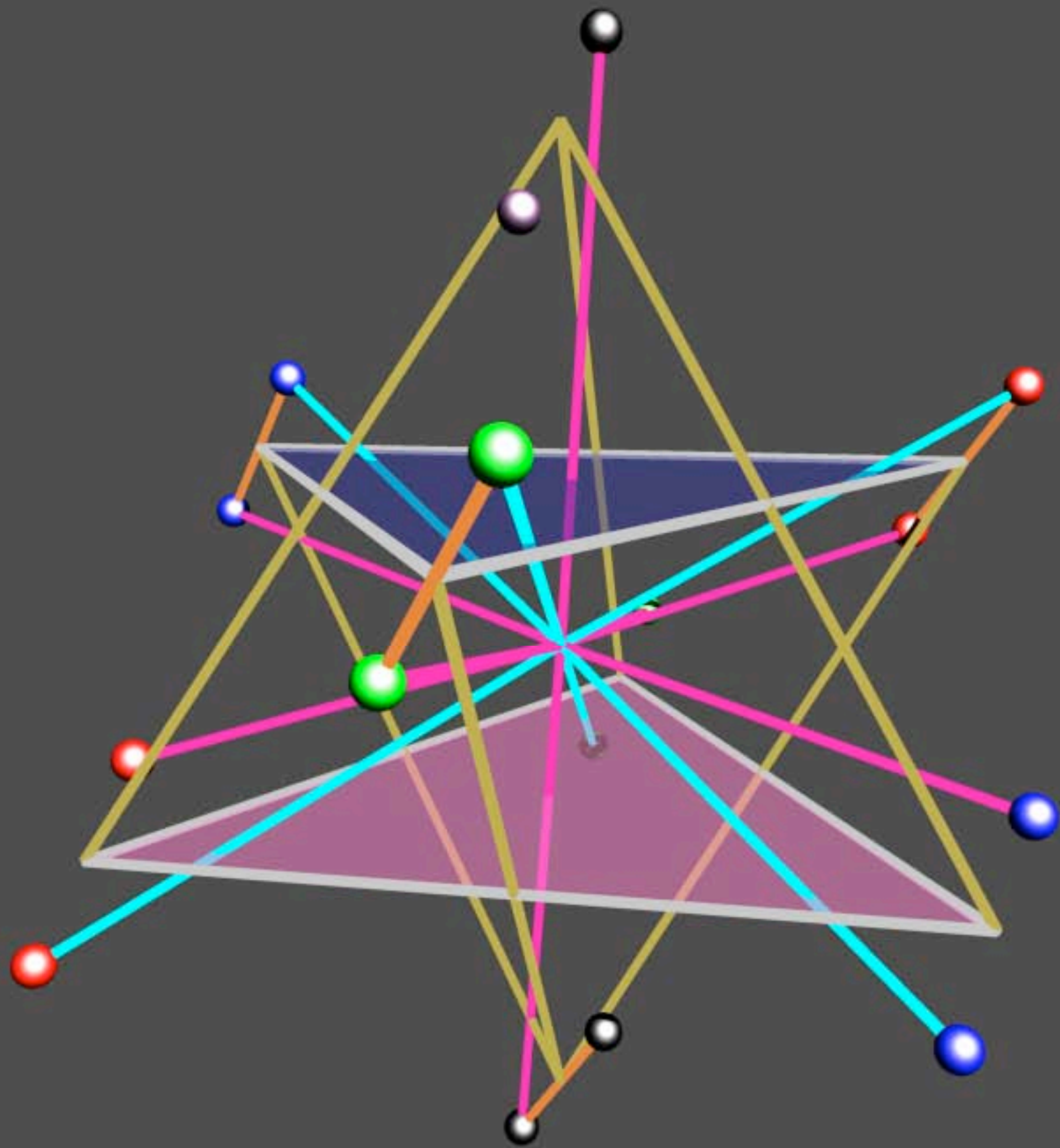


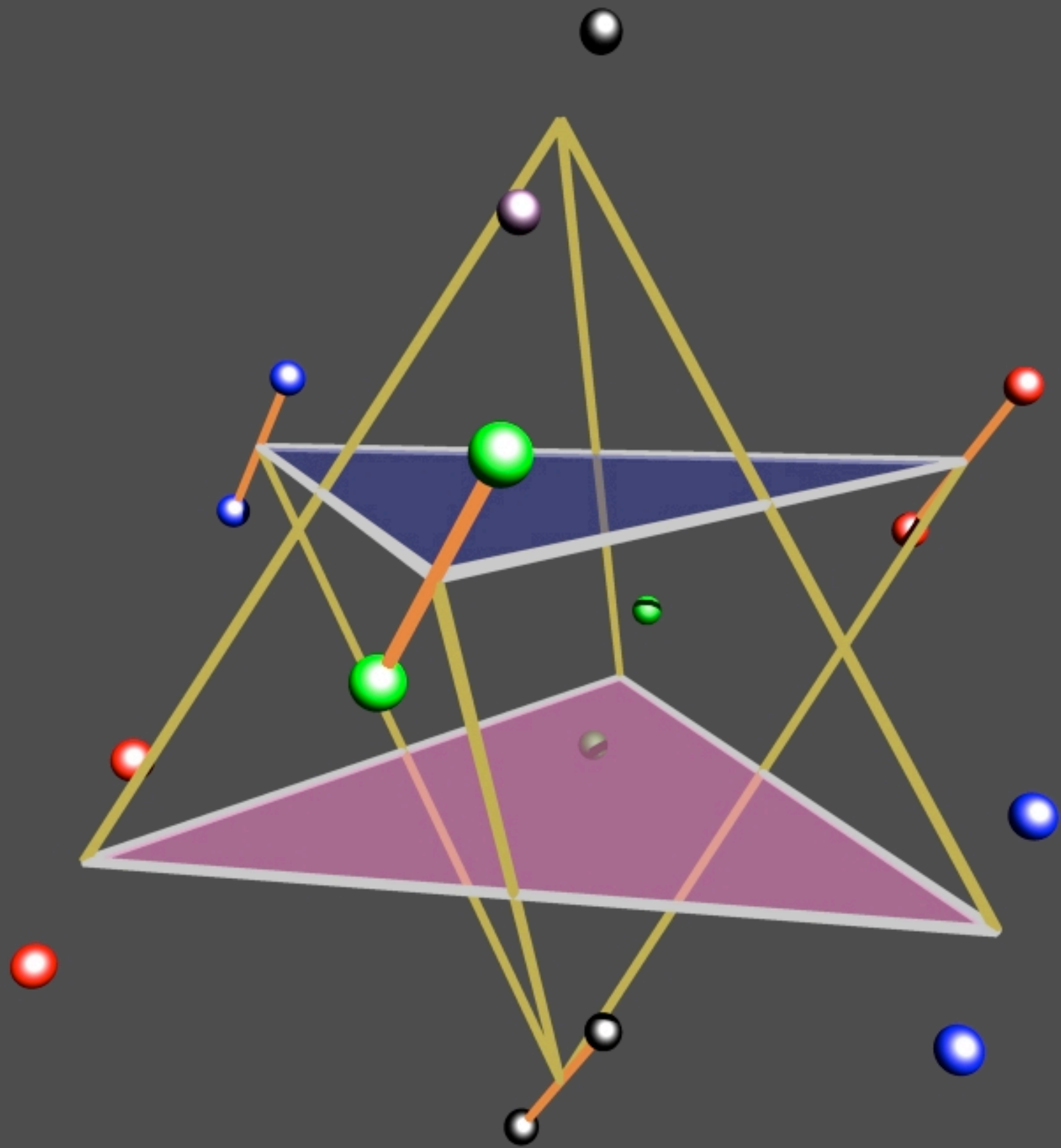


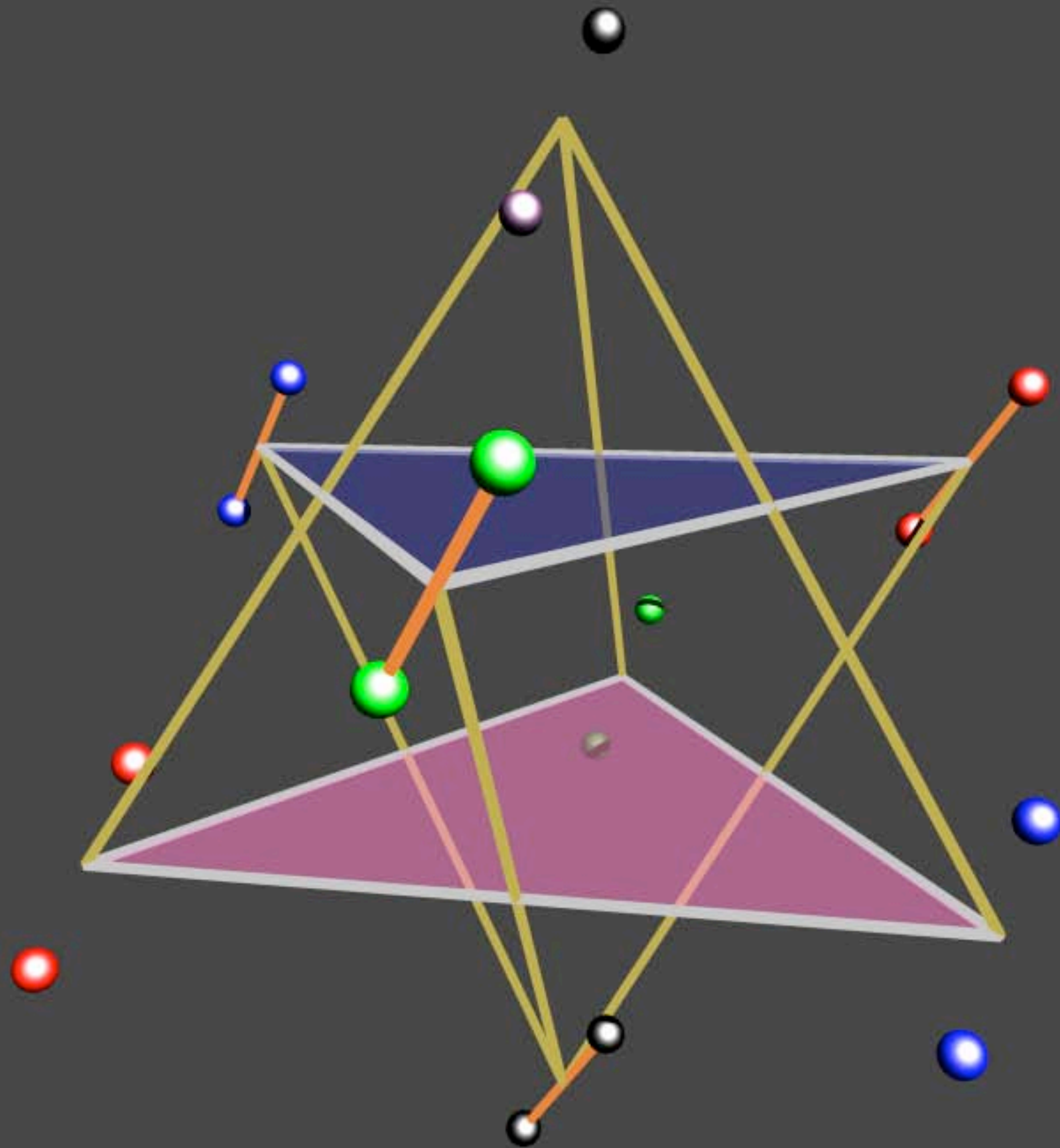




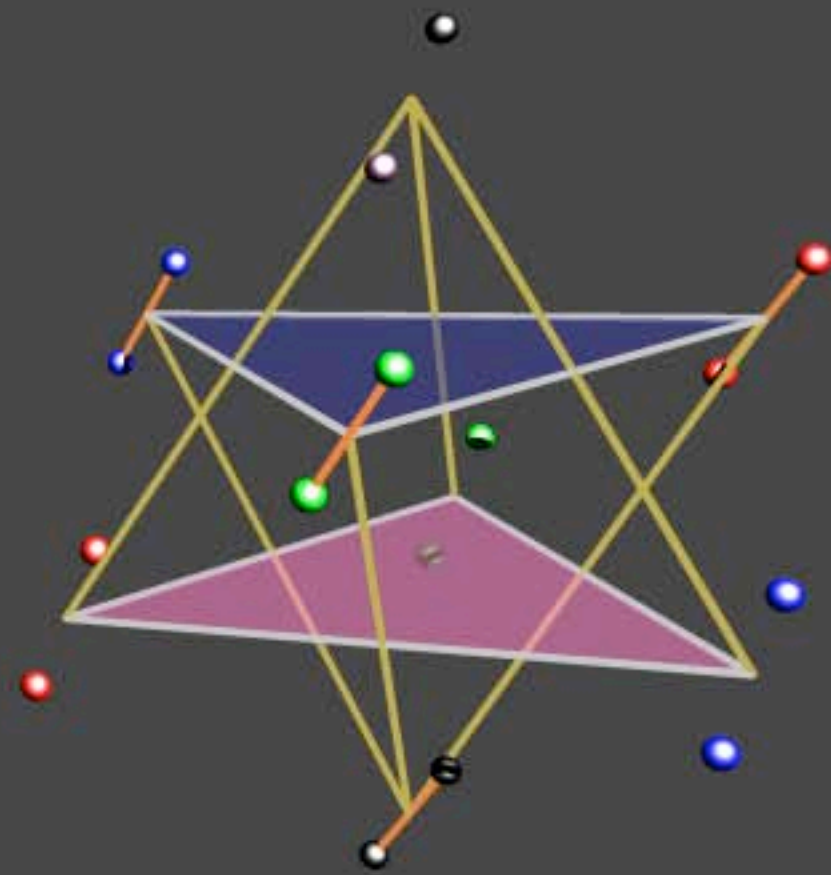
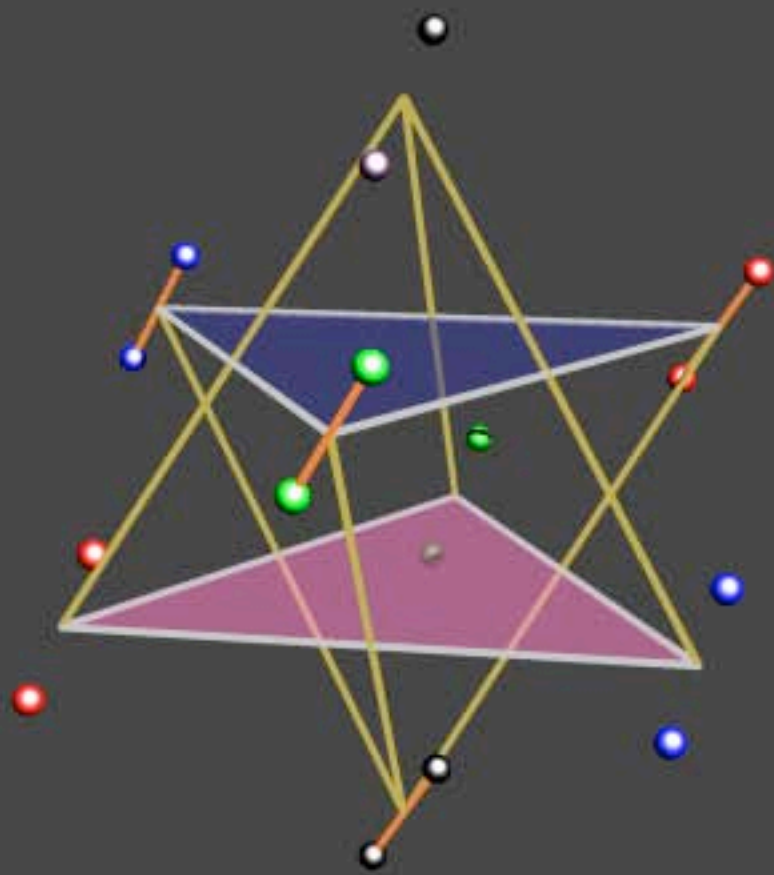
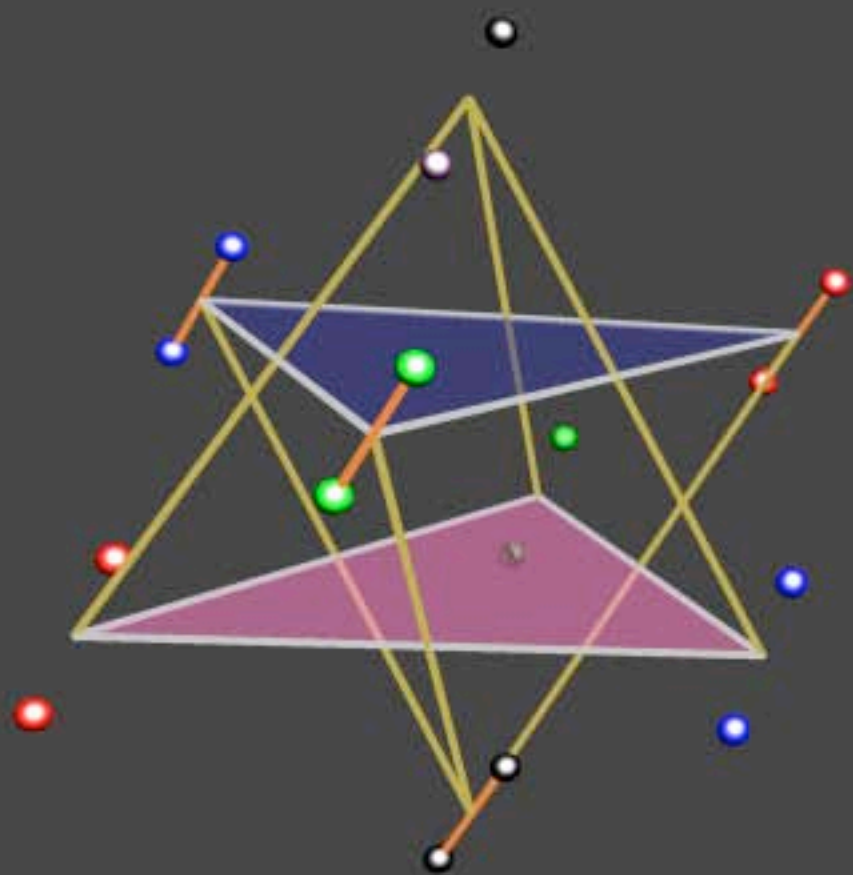


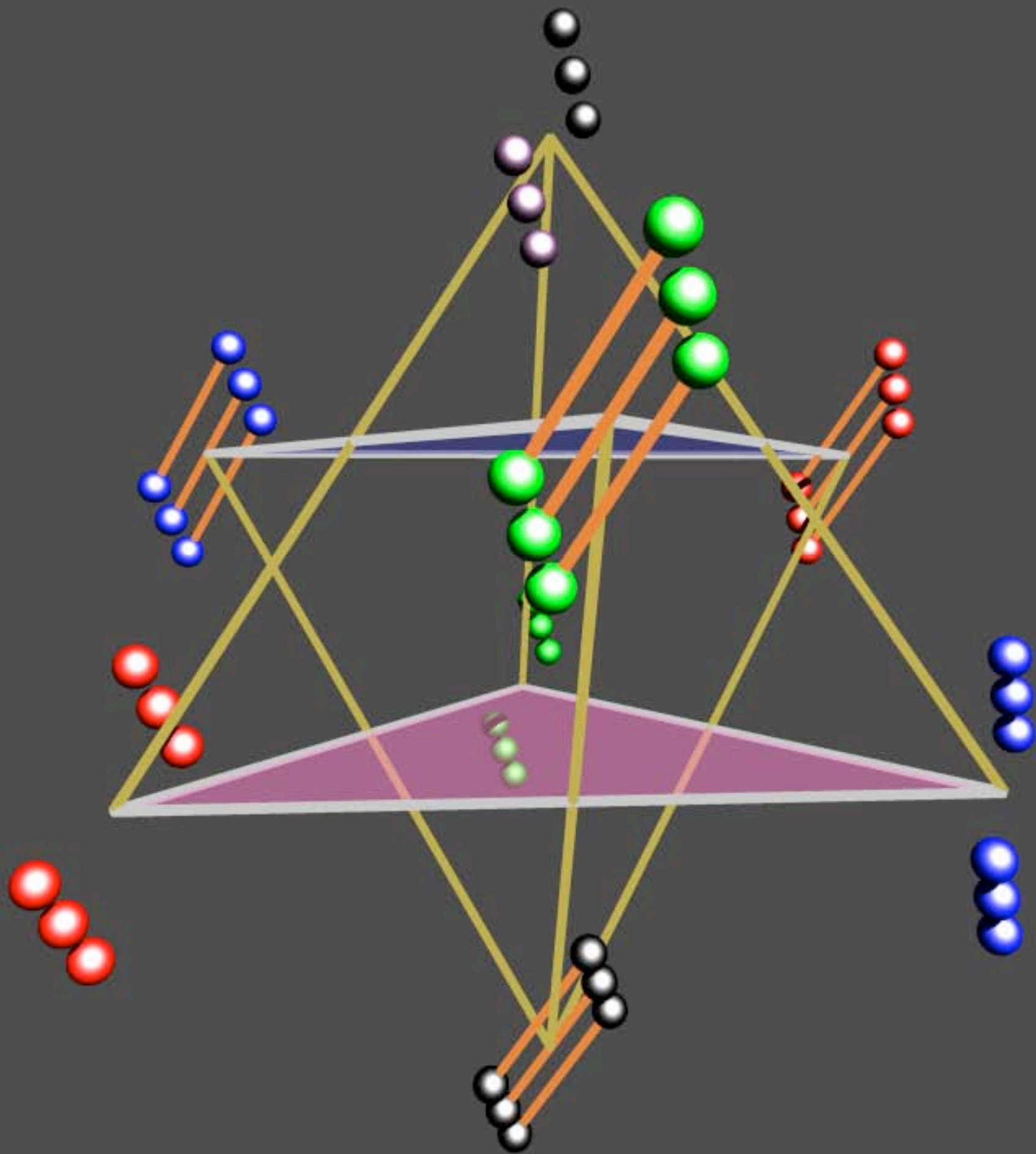


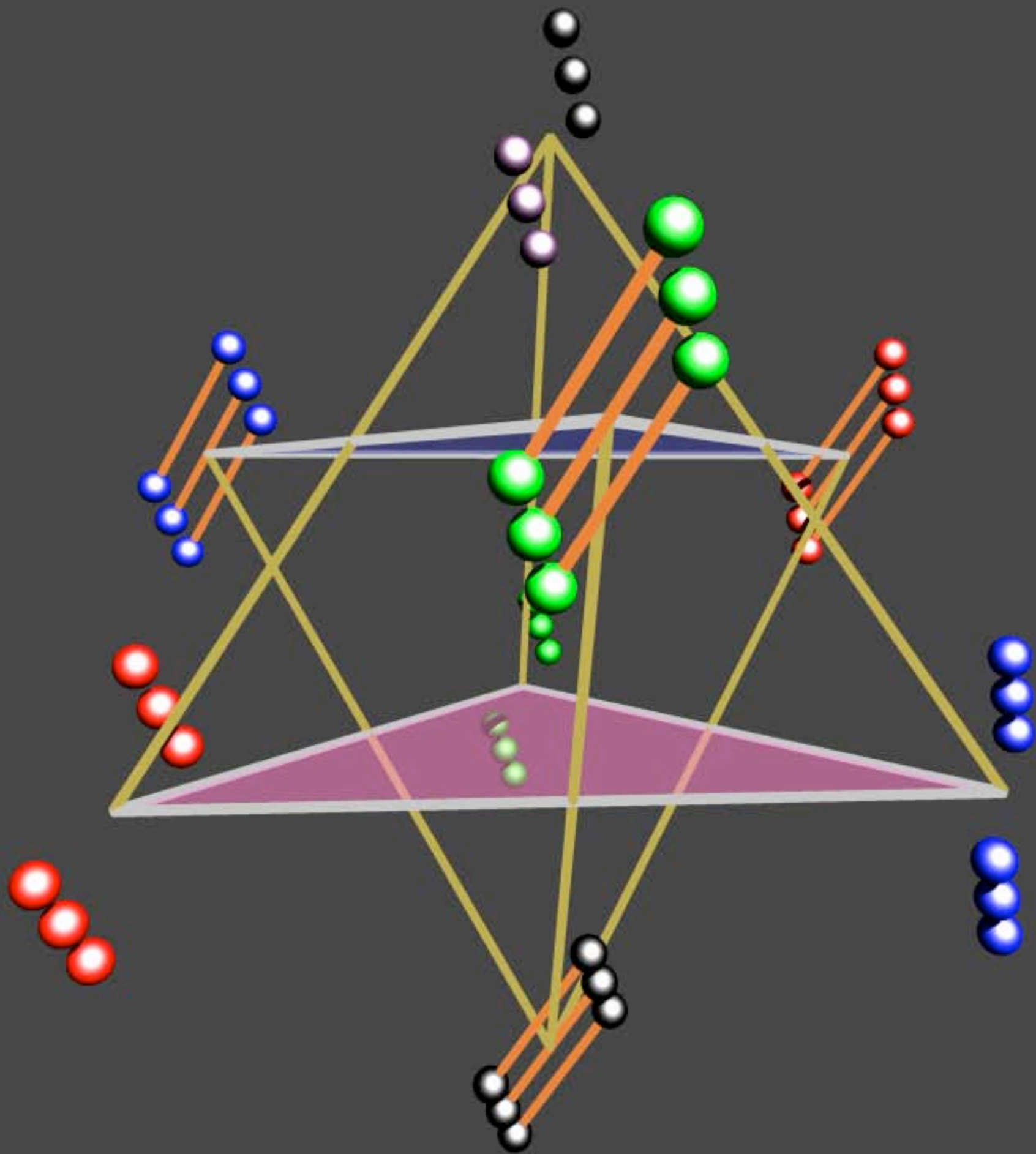




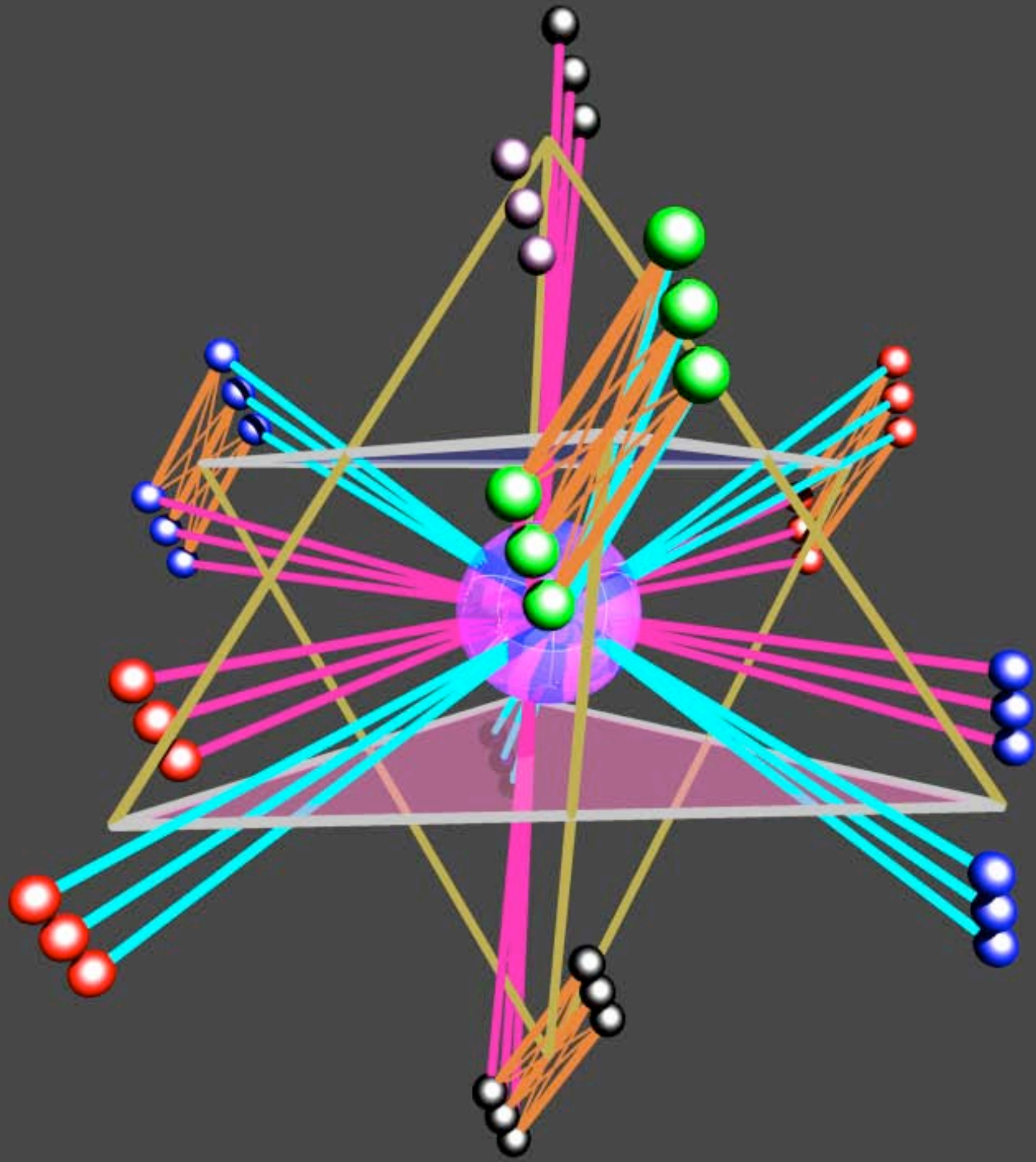


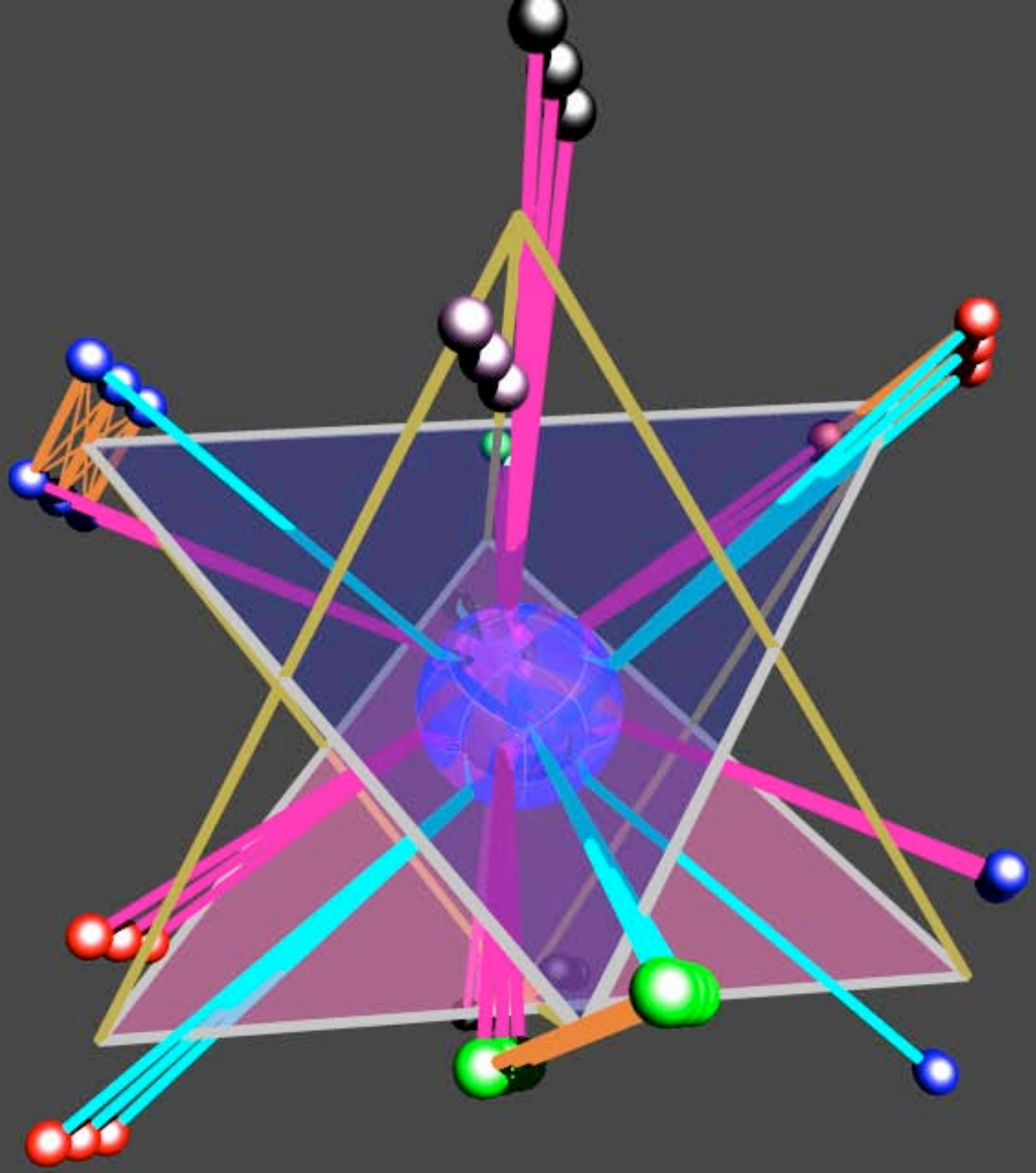




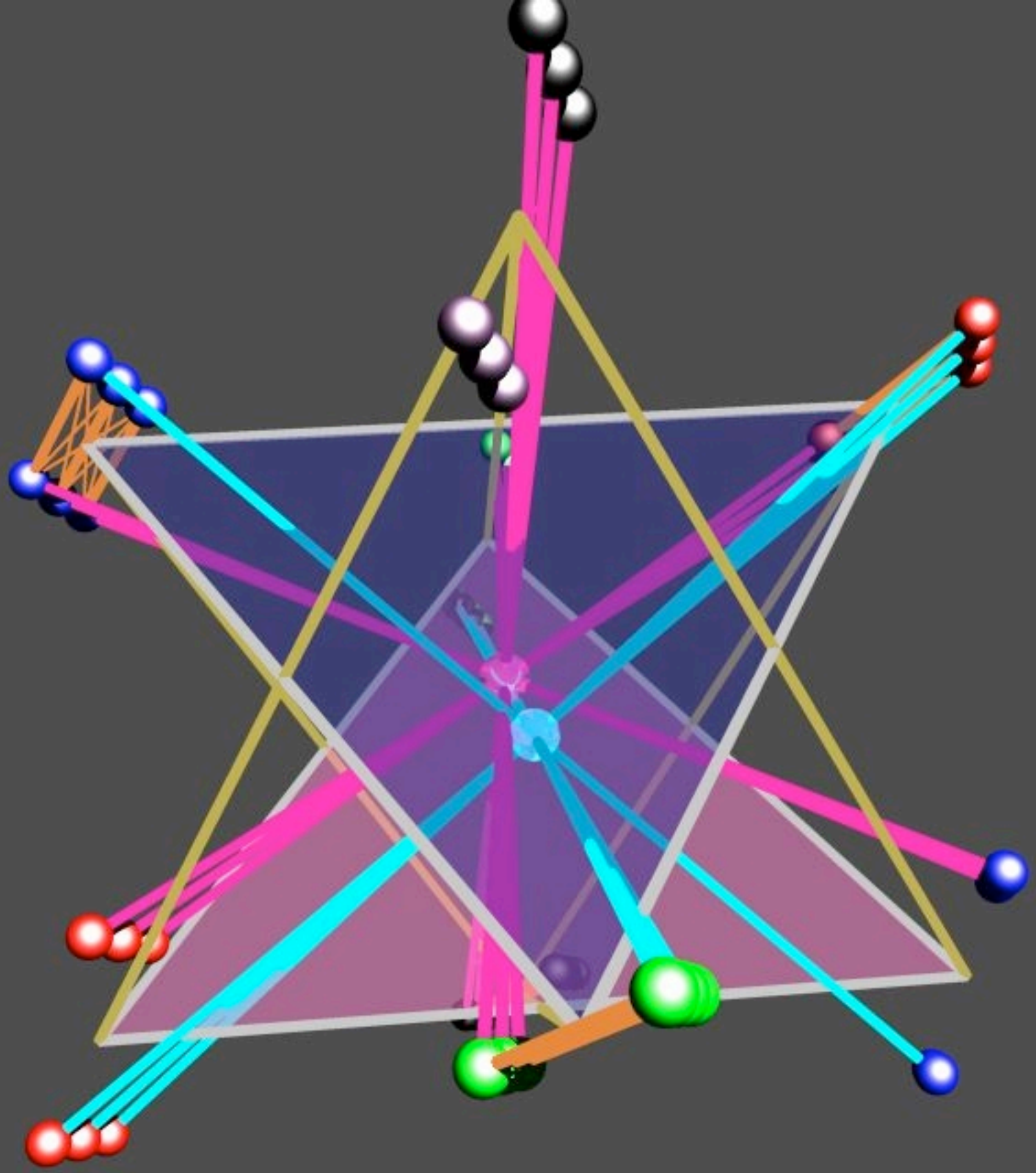


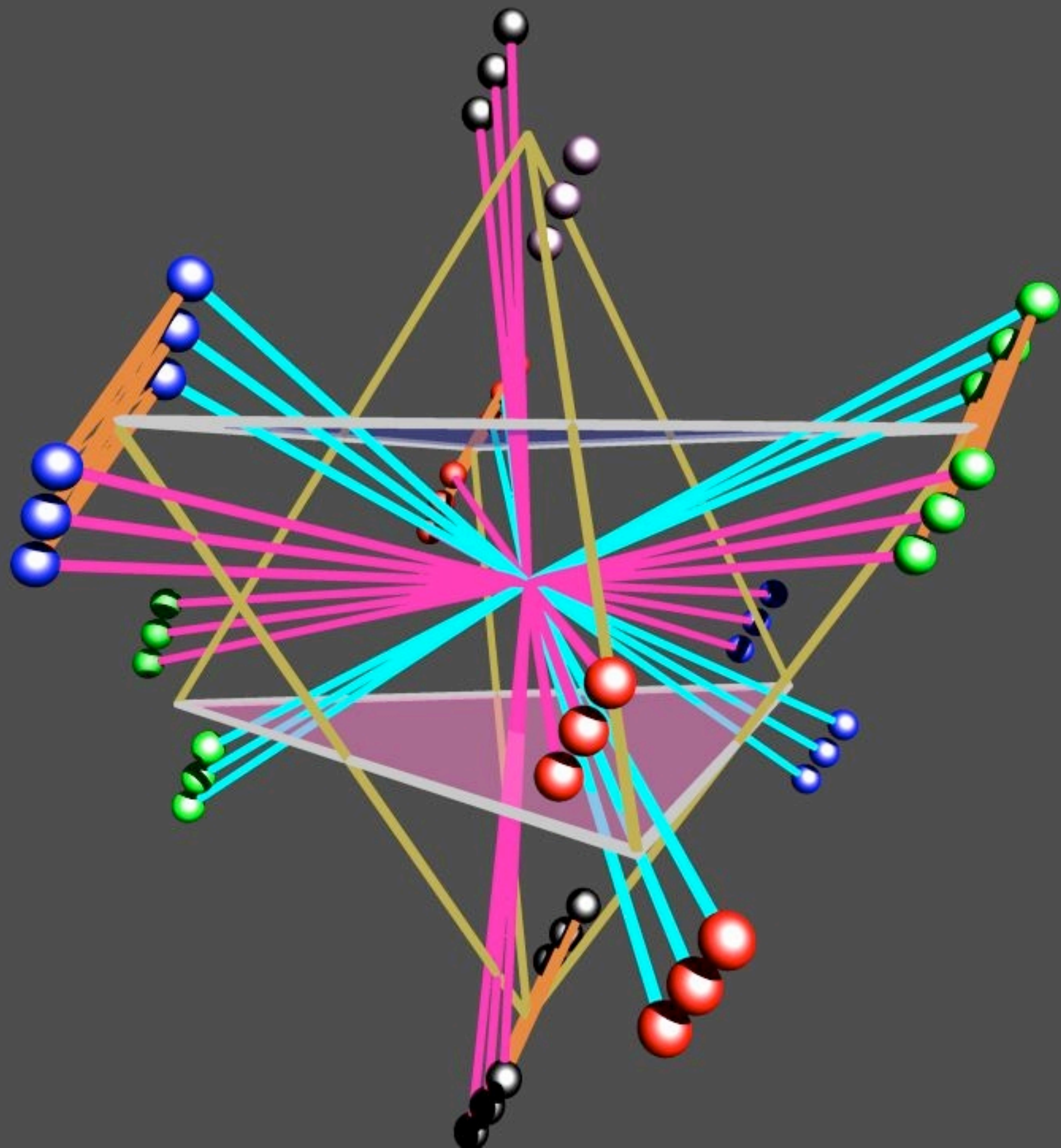


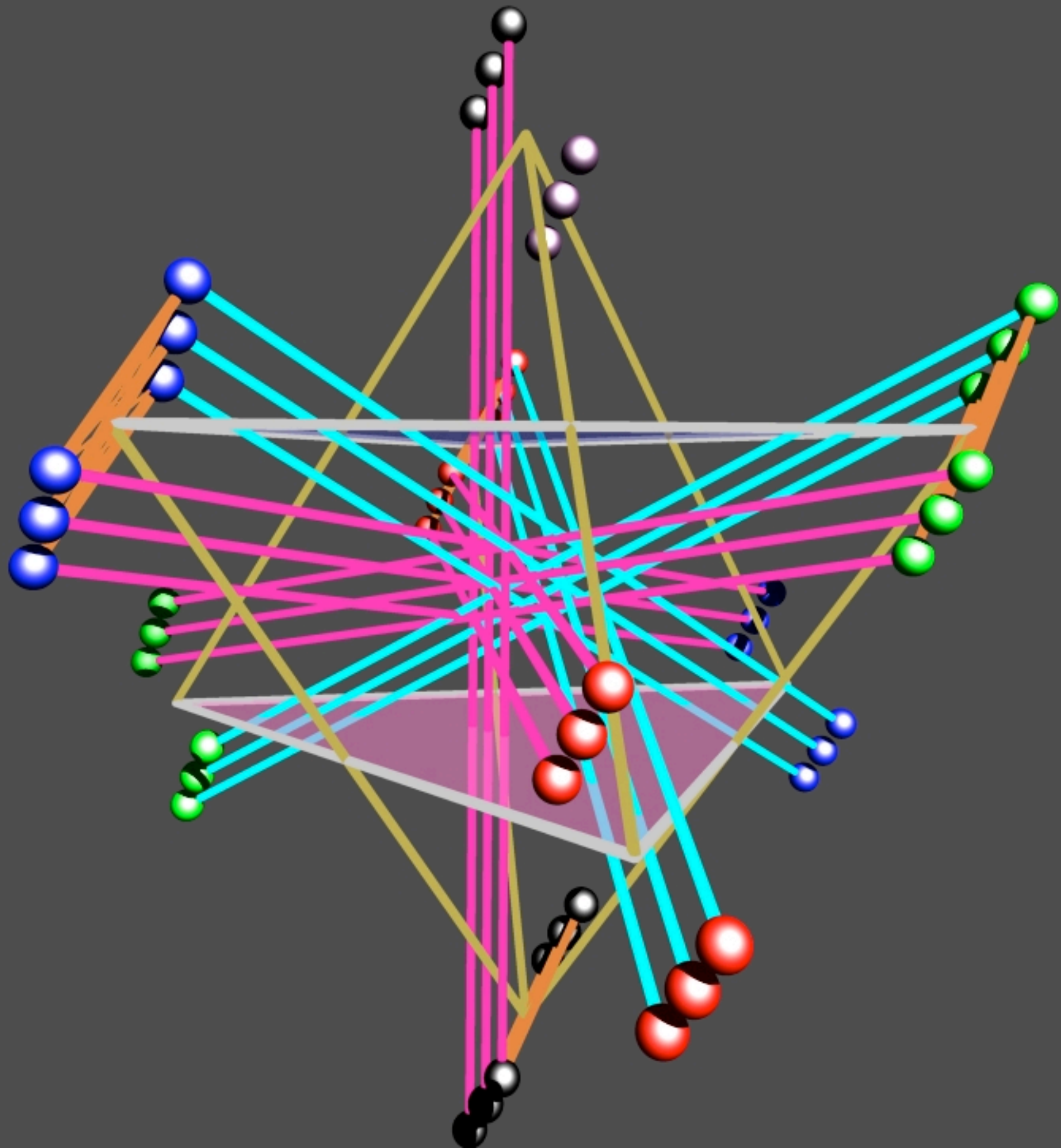




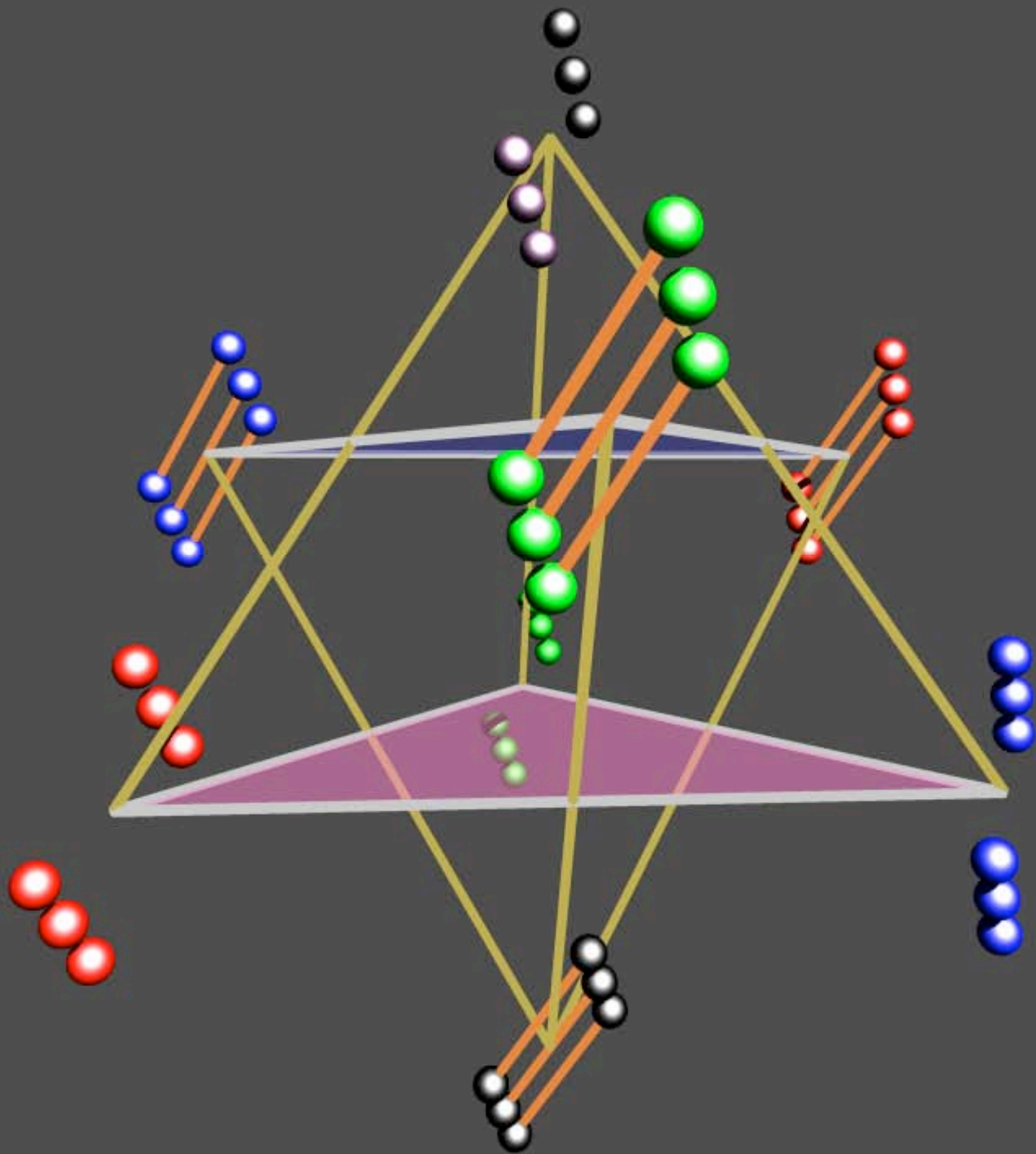


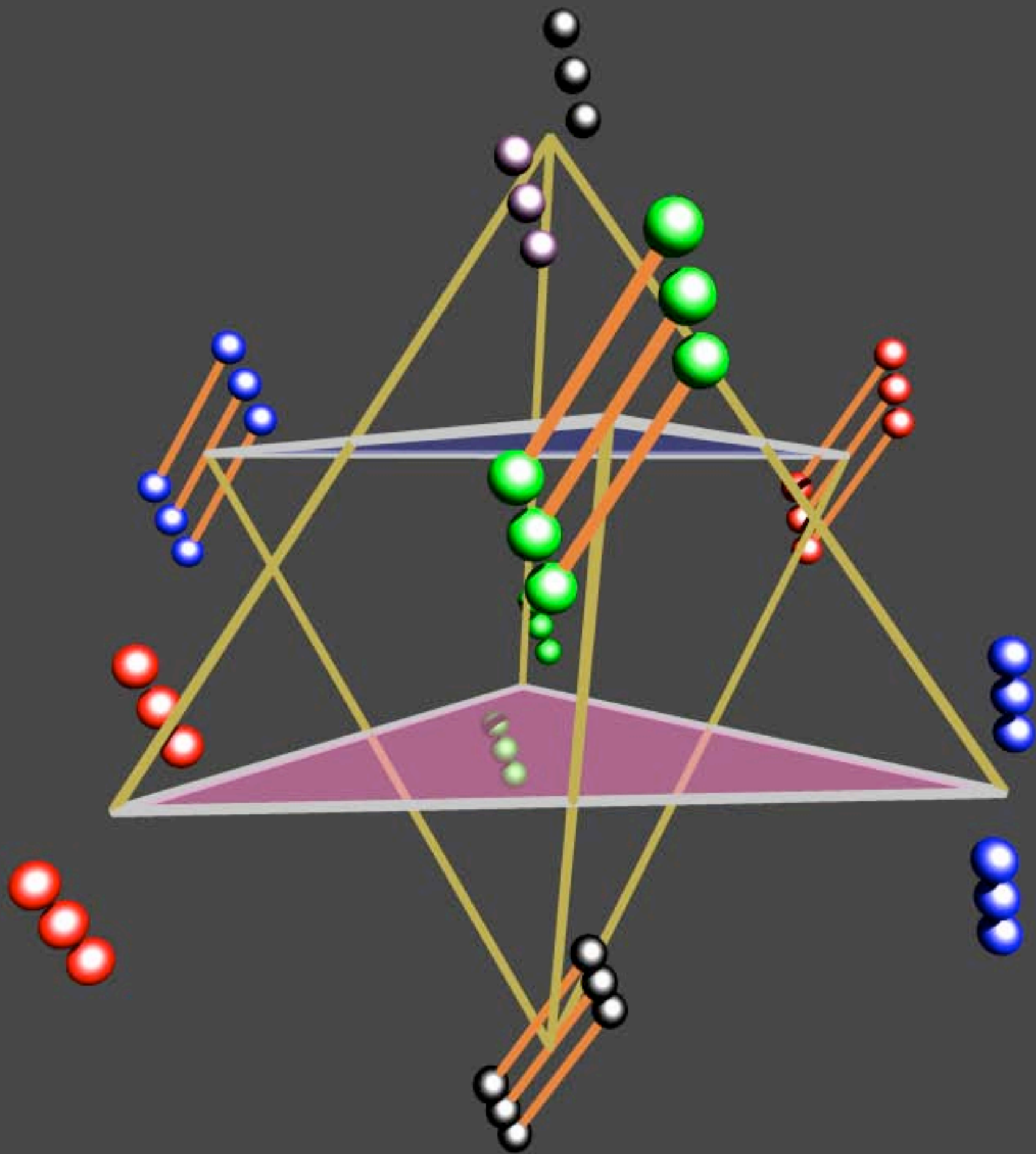














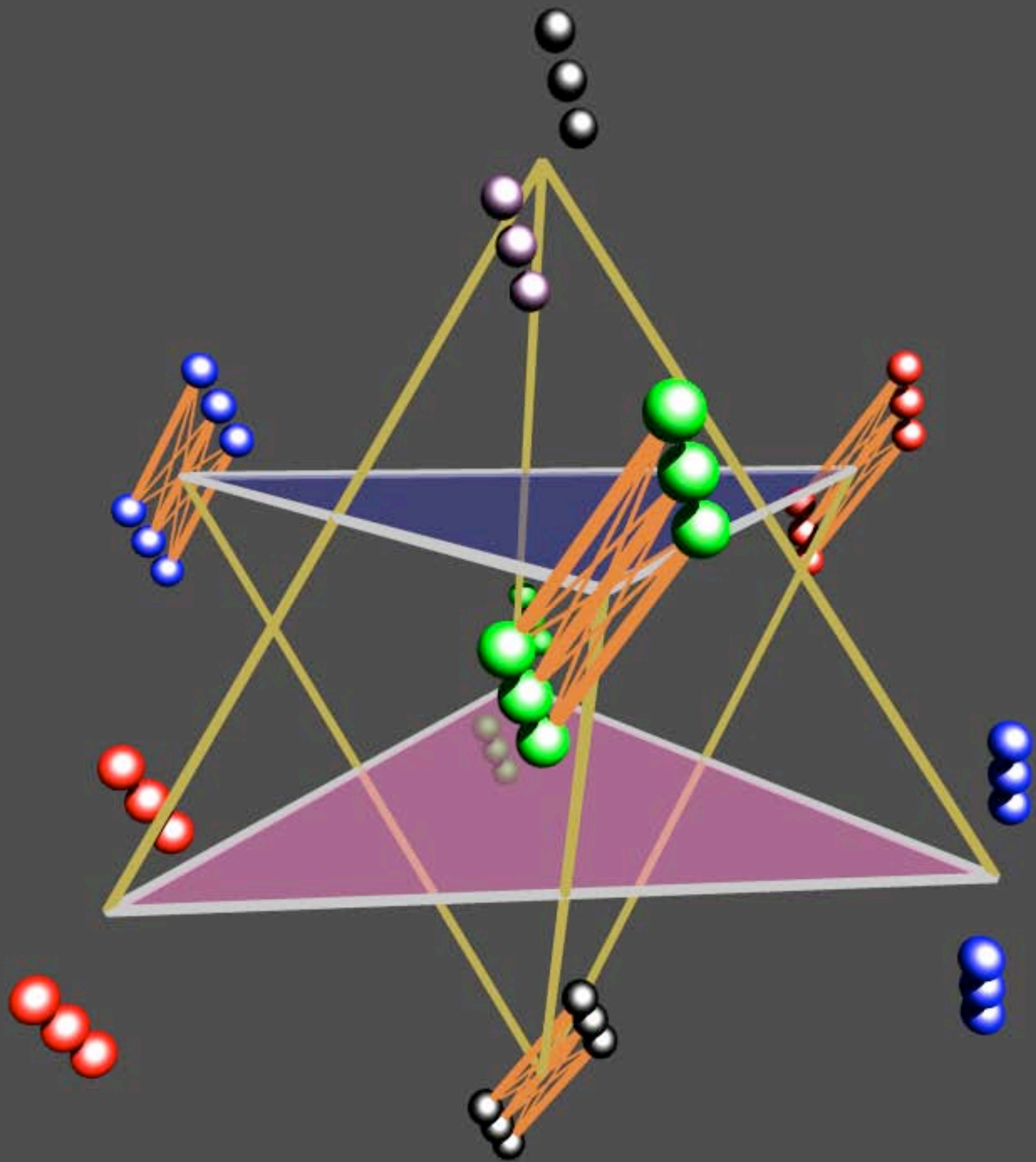
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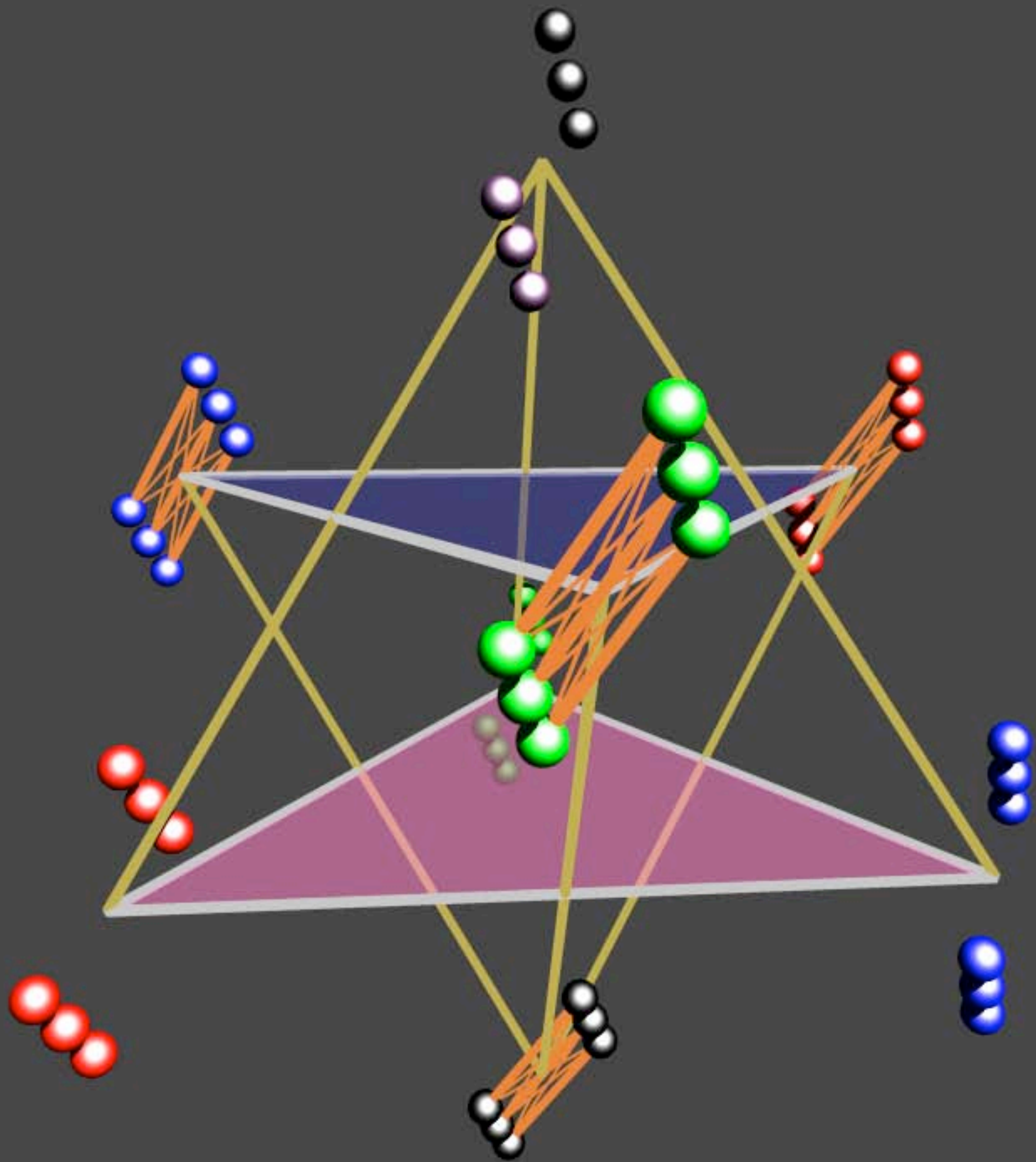
$$SO(10) \rightarrow SU(4) \otimes SU(2) \otimes SU(2)$$

Lepton number as 4th color

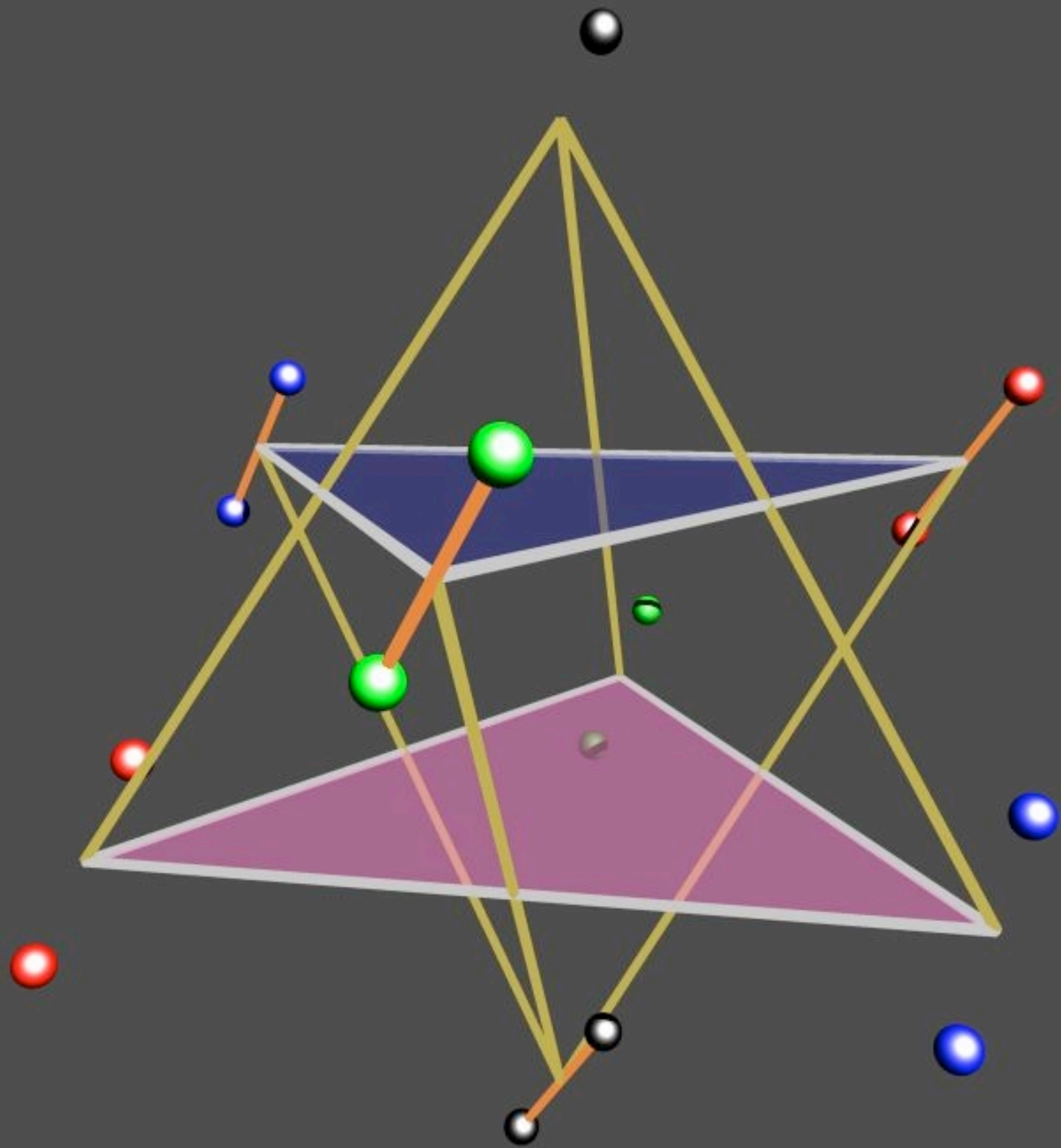
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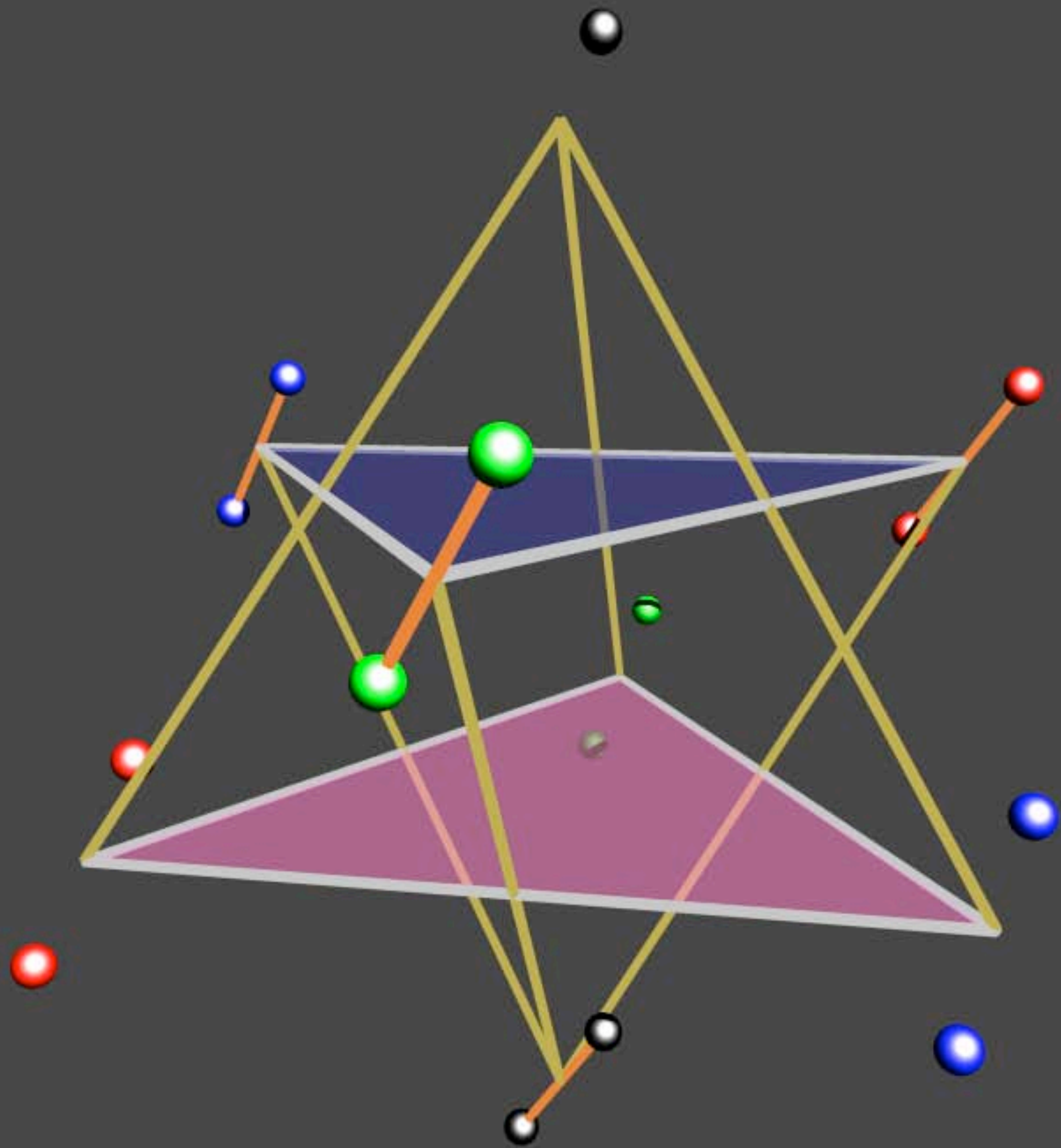
LH, RH decorations at vertices



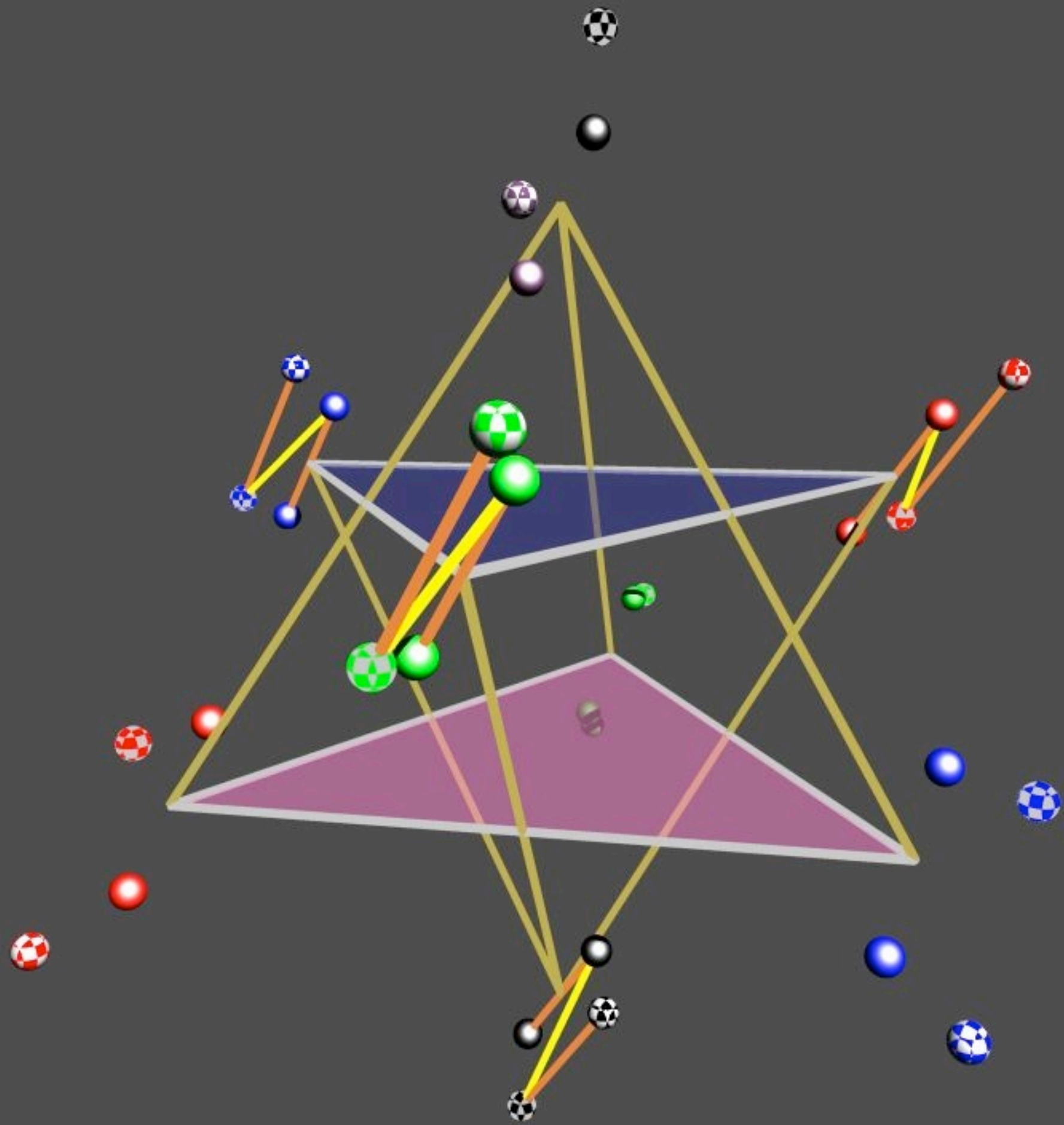


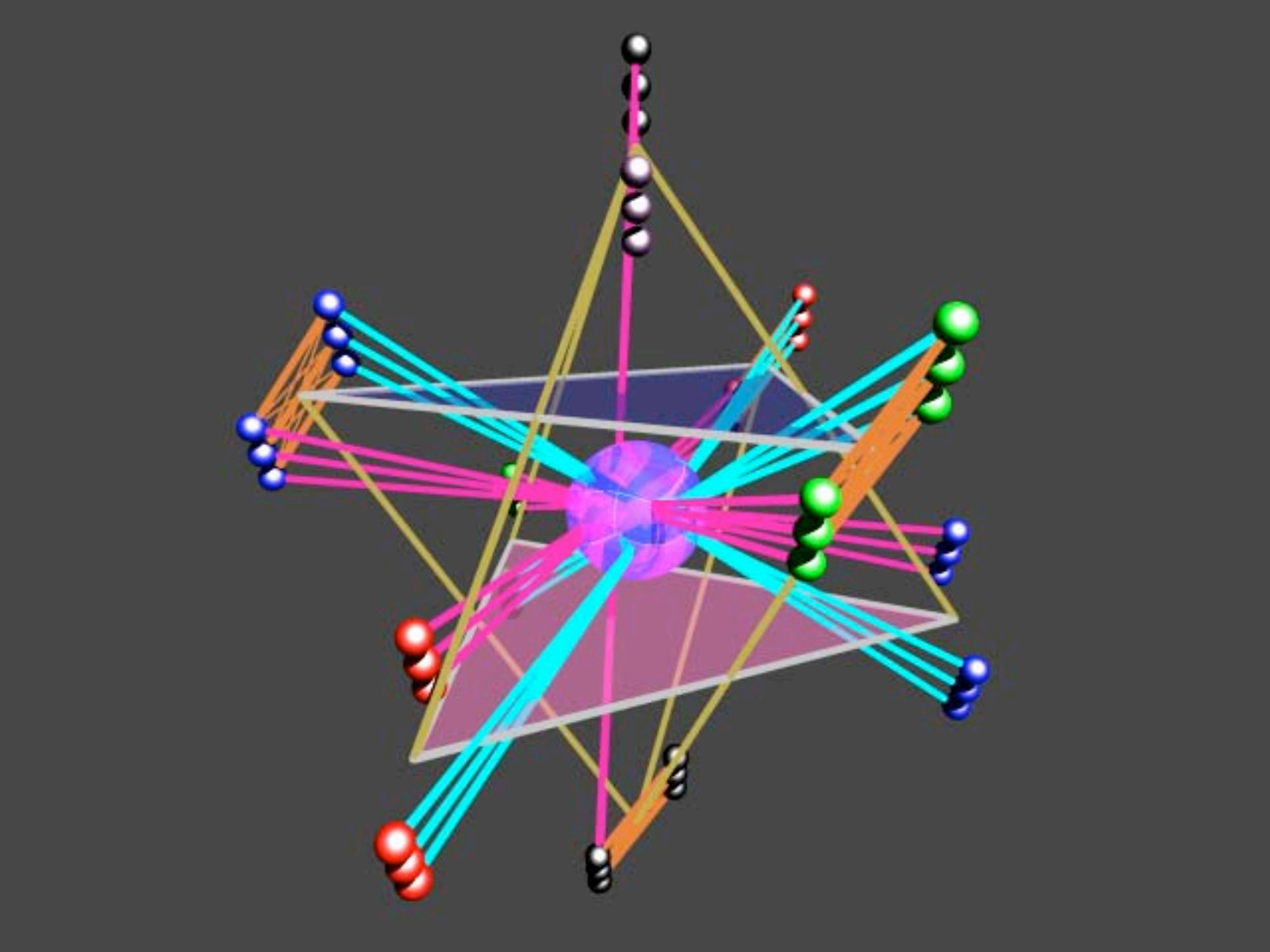












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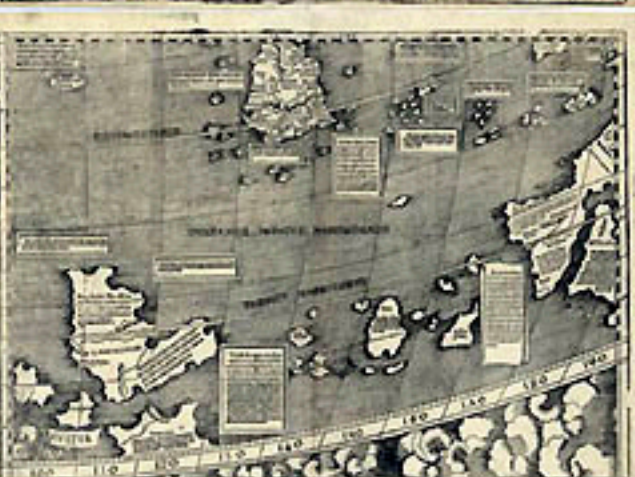
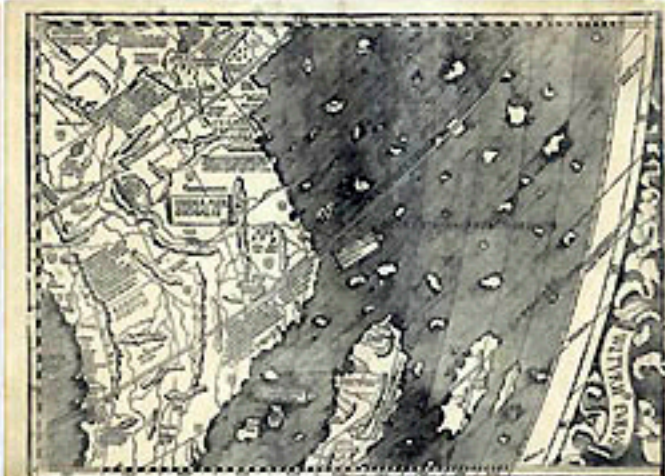
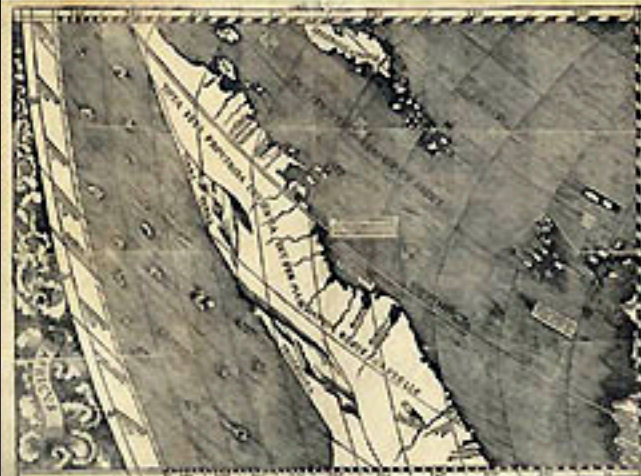
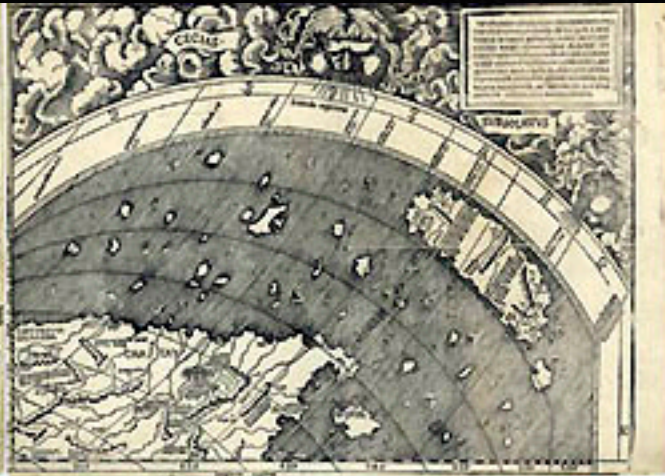
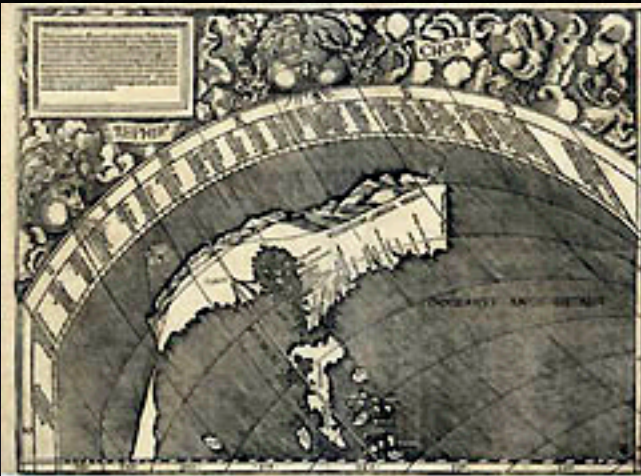
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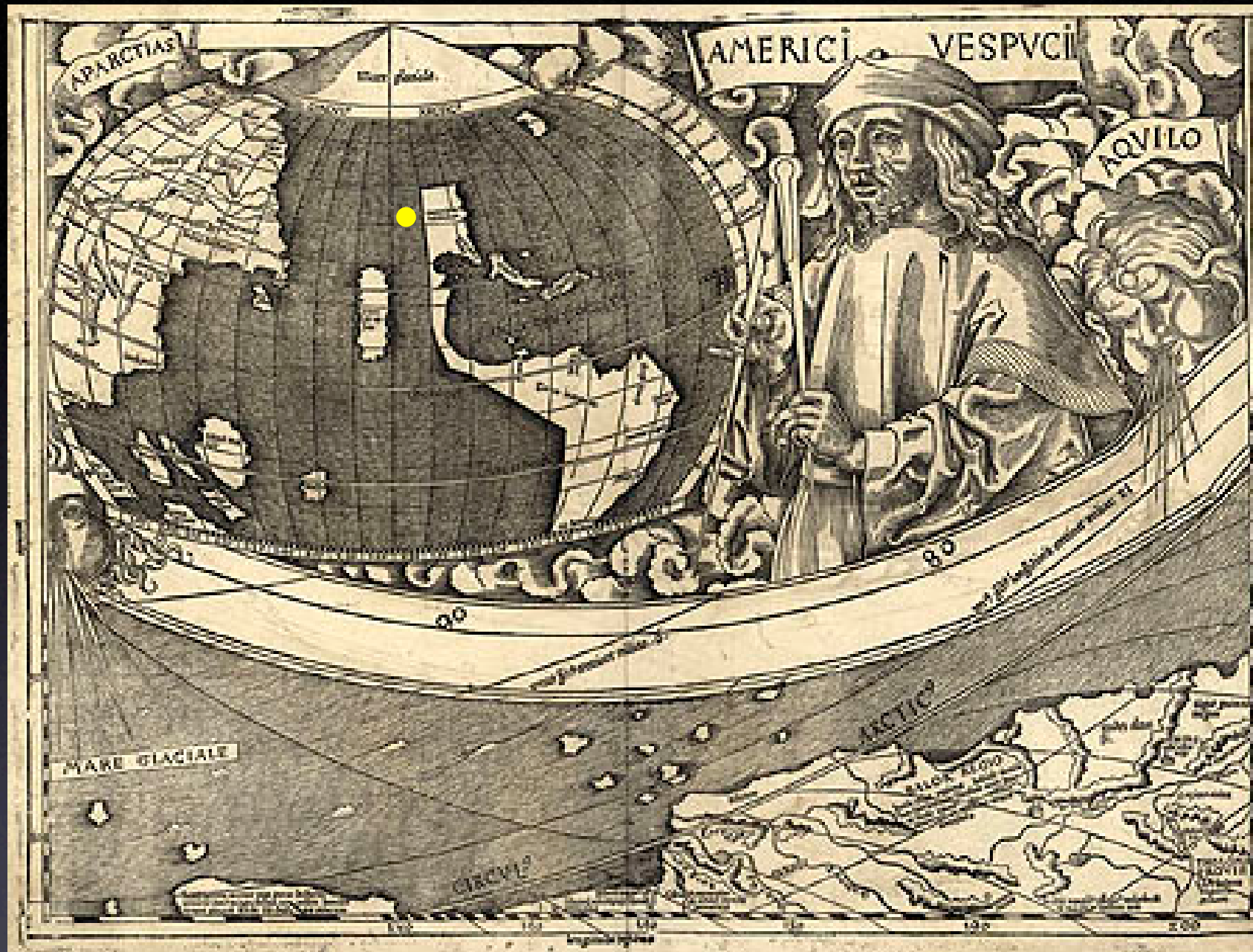
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Are quarks and leptons elementary?  
What relationship of quarks to leptons?  
Right-handed weak interactions?  
New quarks and leptons?  
New interactions linking quarks, leptons?  
What relationship of LH & RH particles?  
Nature of the right-handed neutrino?  
Nature of the mysterious new force that  
hides electroweak symmetry?

Are there different kinds of matter?

Are there new forces of a novel kind?

What do generations mean? How many?

Which quarks go with which leptons?

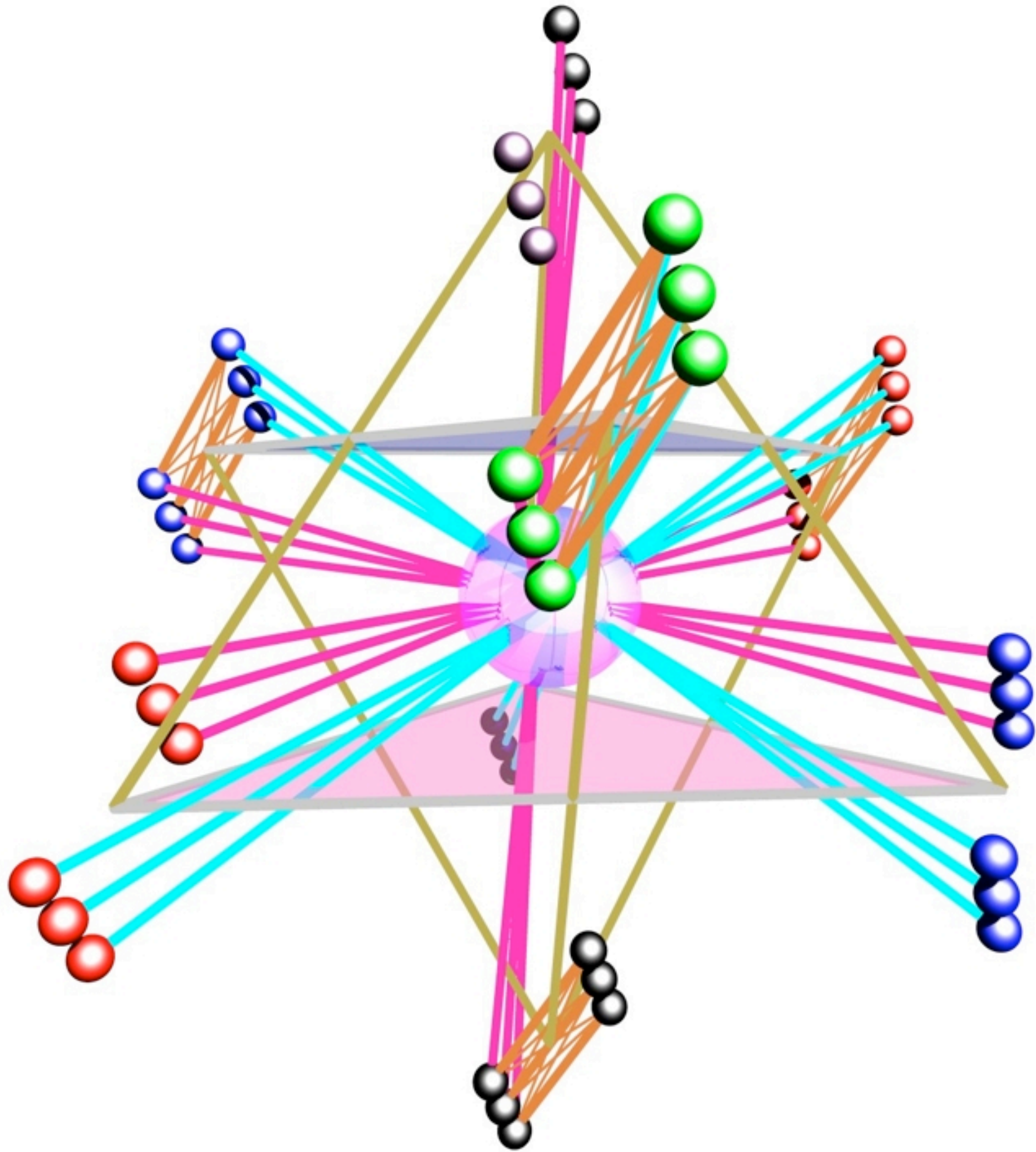
Is there a family symmetry?

What makes a top quark a top quark, and an electron an electron?

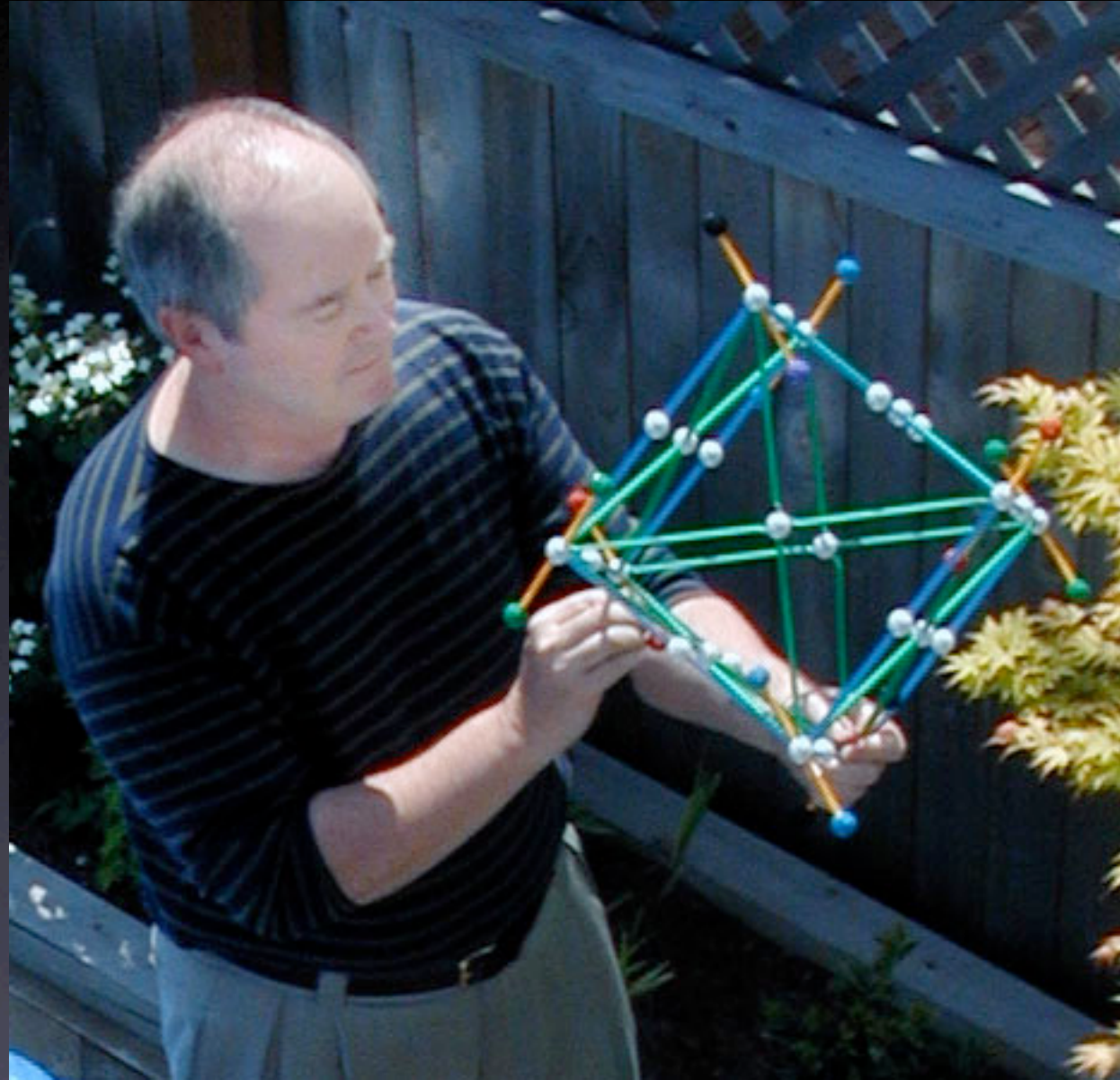
What is the (grand) unifying symmetry?

What hides it?

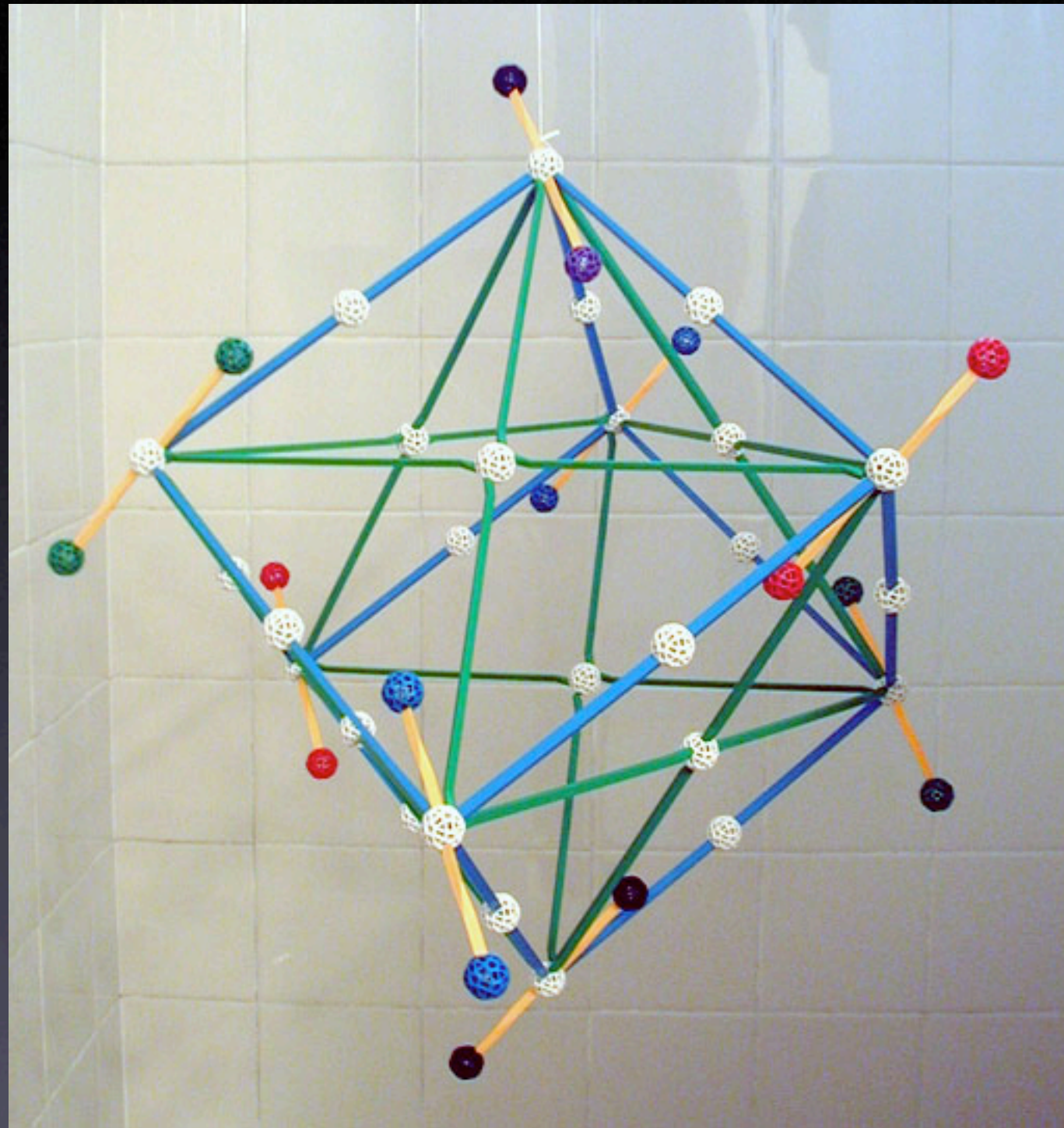














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