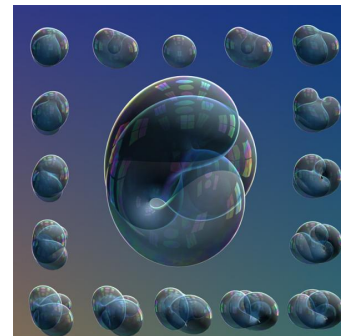
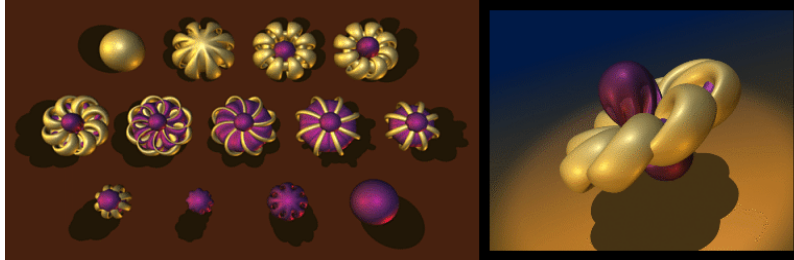


**Sphere eversion:** a method of turning the sphere inside out without cutting or gluing, but allowing the sphere to pass through itself.

Steve Smale proved it was possible in 1958.

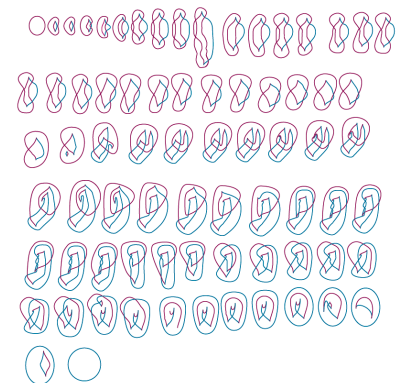
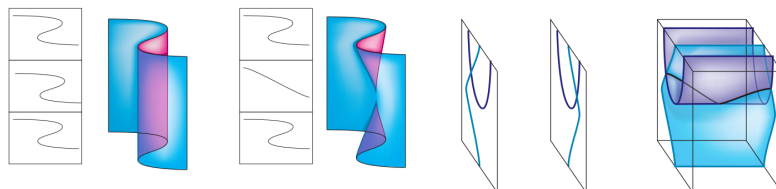
Bill Thurston's eversion via corrugations, animated in "**Outside In**"

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wO61D9x6lNY&safe=active>



Sullivan, Francis, and Levy's minimax eversion, animated in "**The Optiverse**"

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cdMLLm1S4Dc&safe=active>



The **Carter-Gelsinger eversion** investigates singular sets revealed by projections and cross sections.

You can read about it in the book  
*An Excursion in Diagrammatic Algebra:  
Turning a Sphere from Red to Blue*

[http://www.southalabama.edu/mathstat/personal\\_pages/carter/evert\\_book-2.pdf](http://www.southalabama.edu/mathstat/personal_pages/carter/evert_book-2.pdf)  
<http://www.amazon.com/An-Excursion-Diagrammatic-Algebra-Everything/dp/9814374490>

or in the University of South Alabama master's thesis  
"On the topology of the singularities of a sphere eversion"

For more information on sphere eversions, see  
John Sullivan's "A History of Sphere Eversions" at  
<http://www.mi.sanu.ac.rs/vismath/sullivan/opt2.htm>

