

Global Geometry and Analysis on Locally Symmetric Spaces with Indefinite-metric

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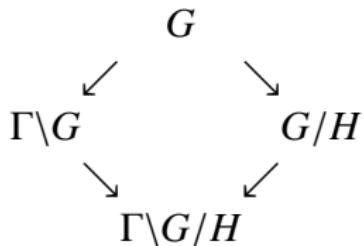


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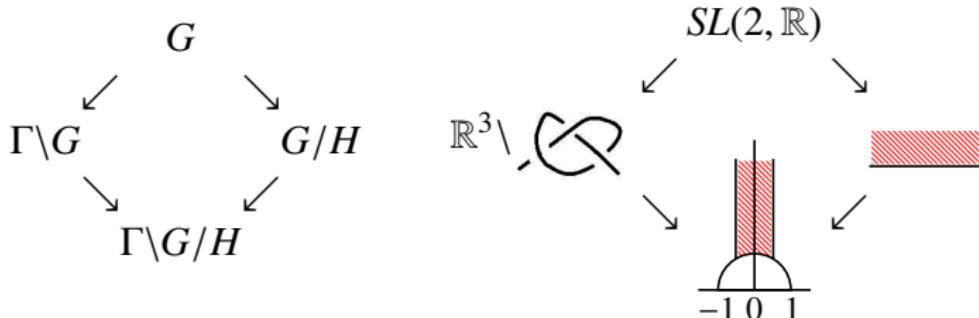
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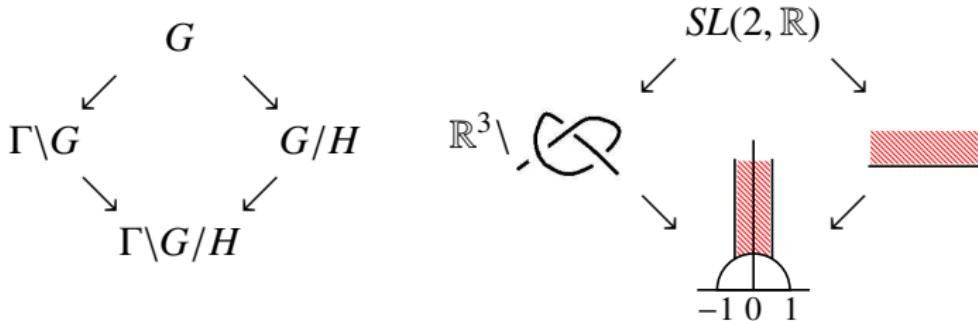
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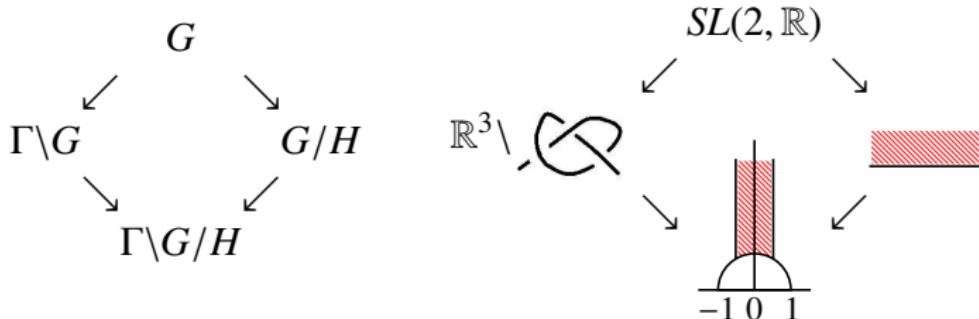


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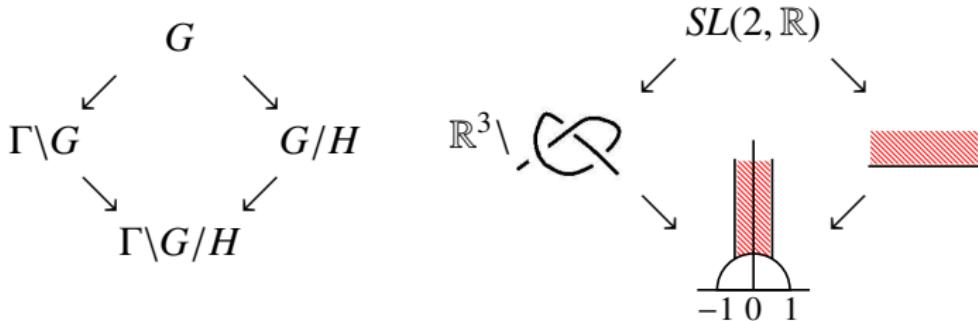


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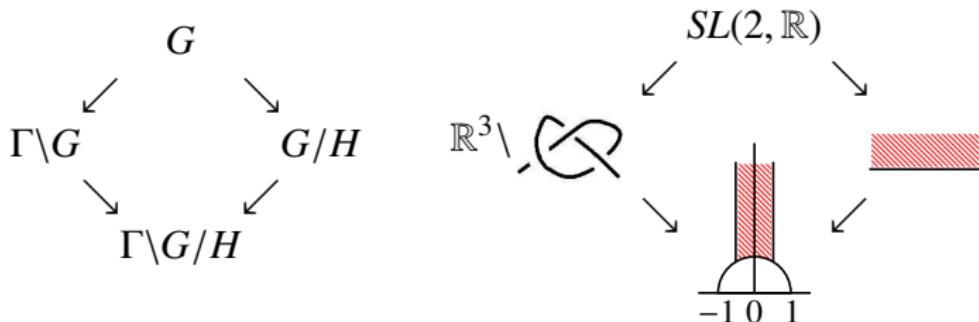


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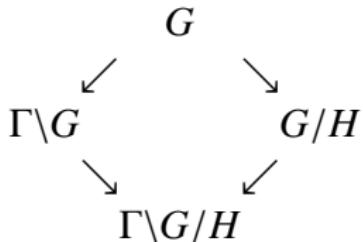


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Oppenheim conjecture, Dani–Margulis, Ratner, ...

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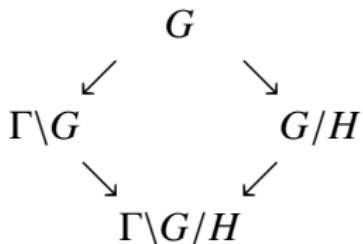
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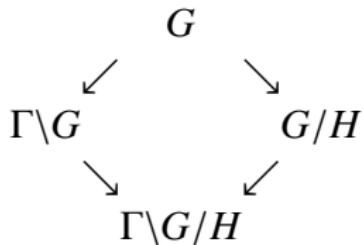
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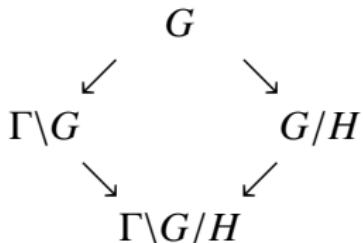
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$\sqrt{\lambda}$: wavenumber

$f(x, y, z)$: amplitude

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Namely, $\begin{cases} f(x) = \sin mx : \text{eigenfunction of } \Delta \\ m^2 : \text{eigenvalue } (m : \text{wavenumber}) \end{cases}$

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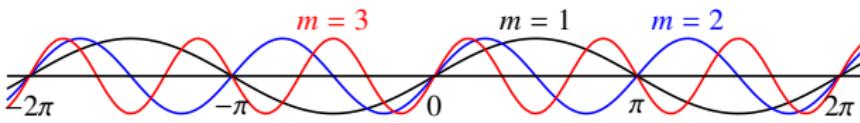
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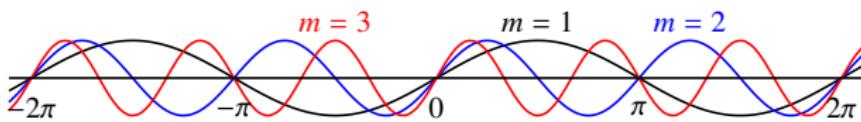
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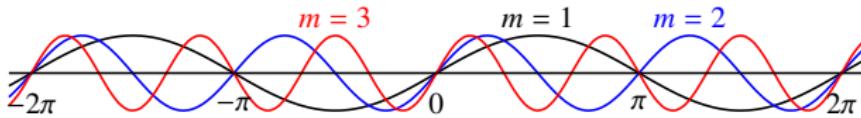
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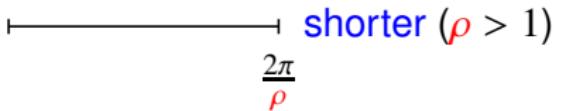
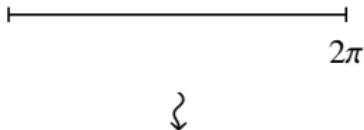


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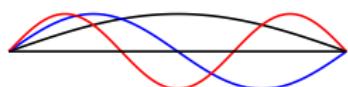
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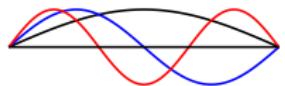
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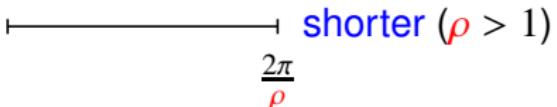


2π



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shorter ($\rho > 1$)

$$\frac{2\pi}{\rho}$$

$$\text{Eigenvalues of } \Delta : \{m^2\pi^2 : m = 1, 2, 3, \dots\} \Rightarrow \{\cancel{\rho}^2 m^2 \pi^2 : m = 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

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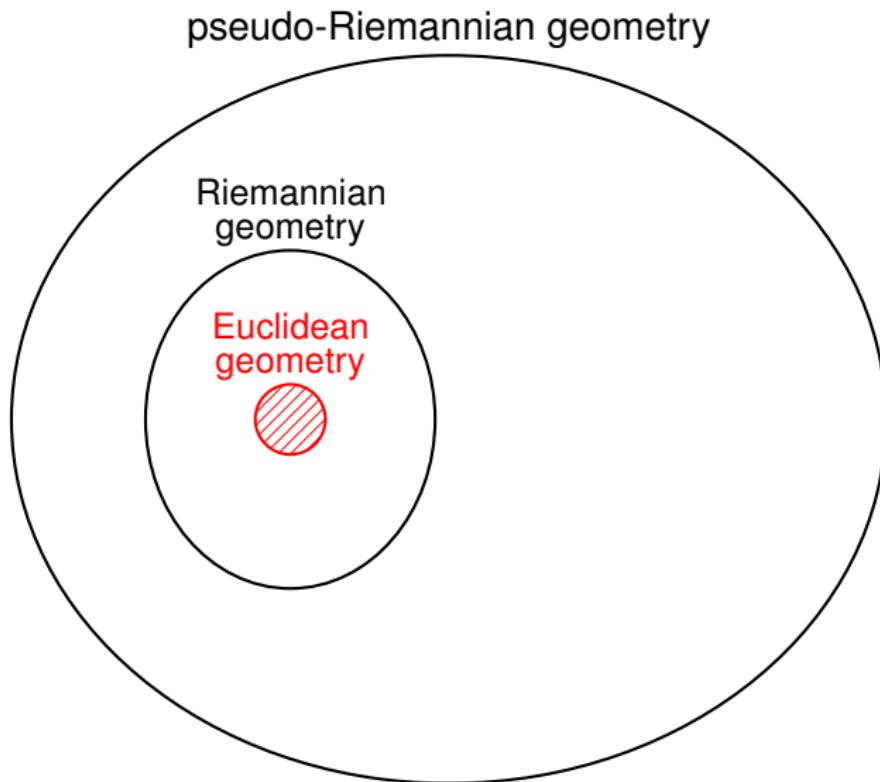
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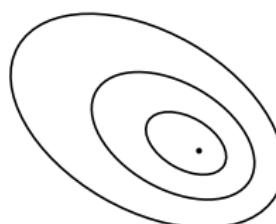
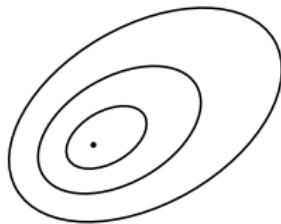
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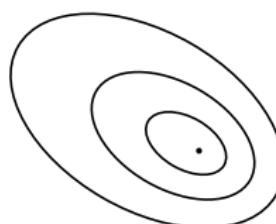
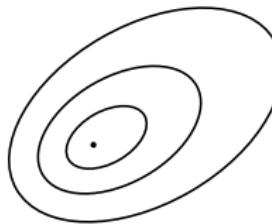
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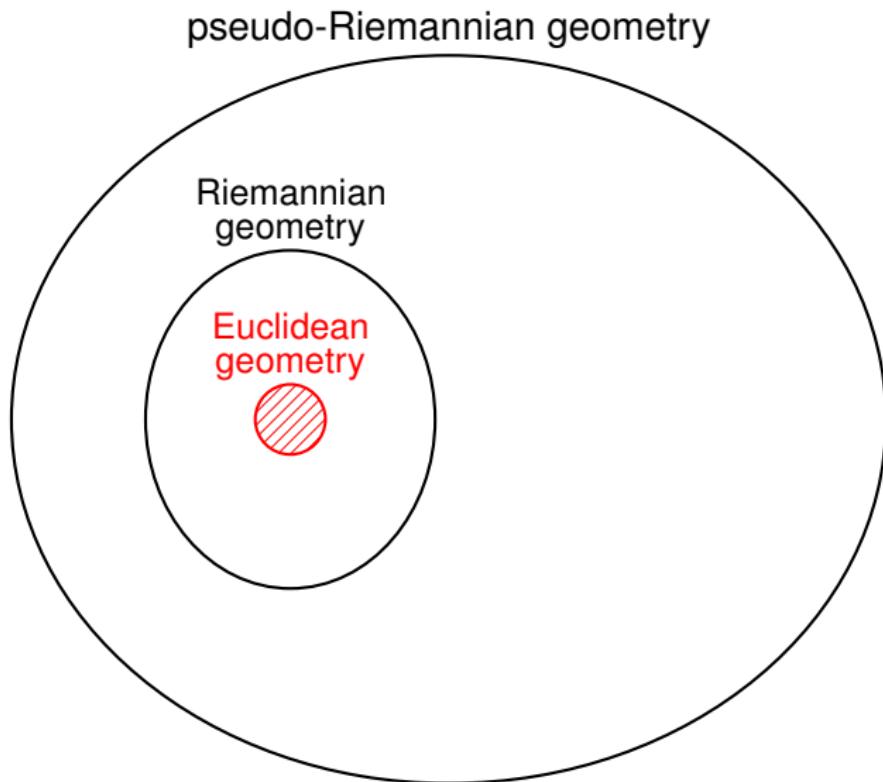
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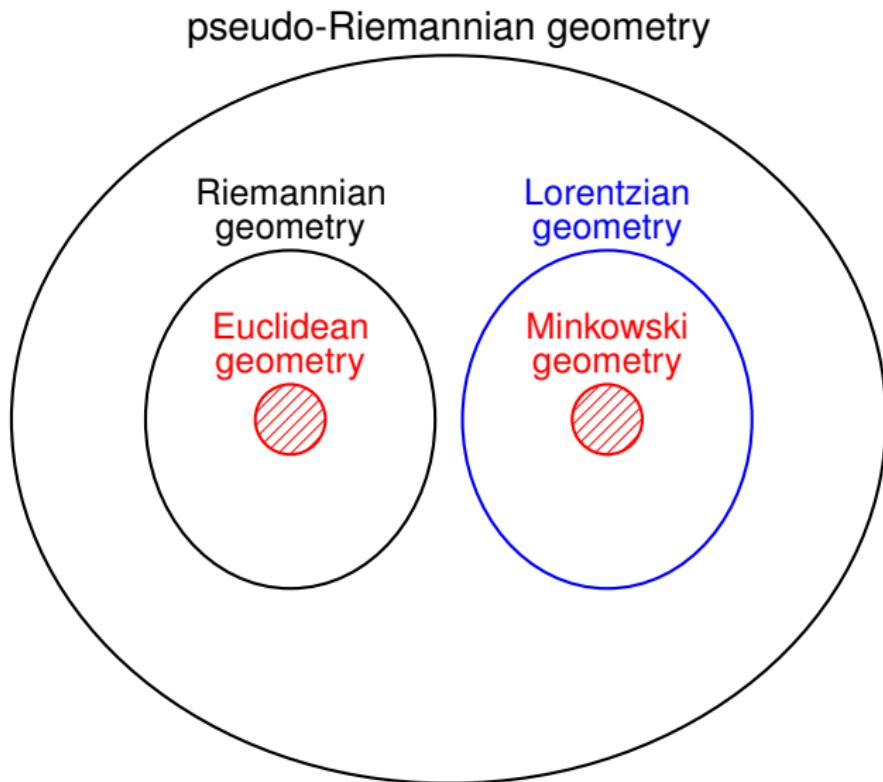


A little more precisely, the ‘distance’ is integrated from the ‘infinitesimal distance.’

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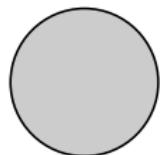


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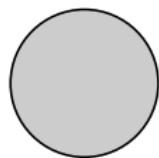
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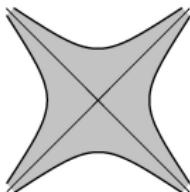
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$\mathbb{R}^{p,q}$

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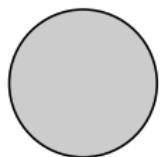
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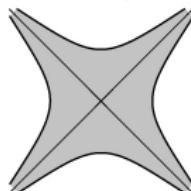
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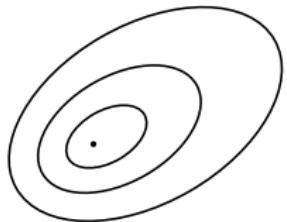
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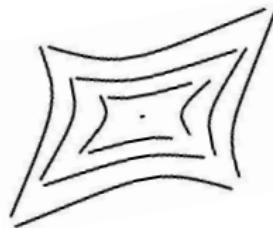
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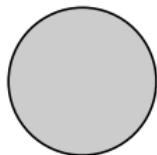
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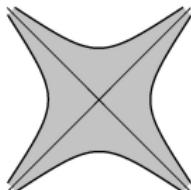
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In higher dimensional case

generalize

$$\mathbb{R}^n \quad x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_{n-1}^2 + x_n^2 \quad \Rightarrow \text{Riemannian geometry}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{n-1,1} \quad x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_{n-1}^2 - x_n^2 \quad \Rightarrow \text{Lorentzian geometry}$$

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Introduction to Laplacian Δ

Laplacian Δ

... 'Intrinsic' differential operator in Riemannian geometry

or more generally

in pseudo-Riemannian geometry

Goal: give an elementary definition of Laplacian Δ

... for undergraduate students

Laplacian in pseudo-Riemannian geometry

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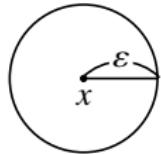
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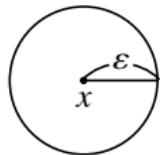


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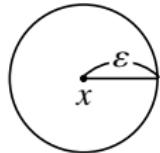
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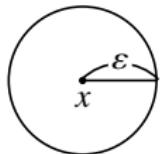
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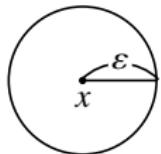
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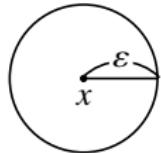
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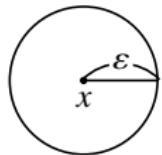
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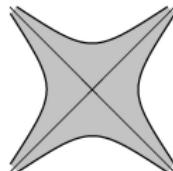
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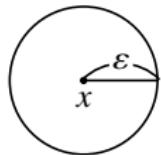
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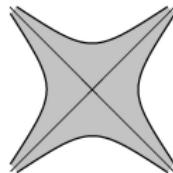
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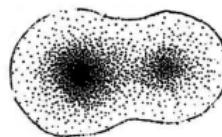
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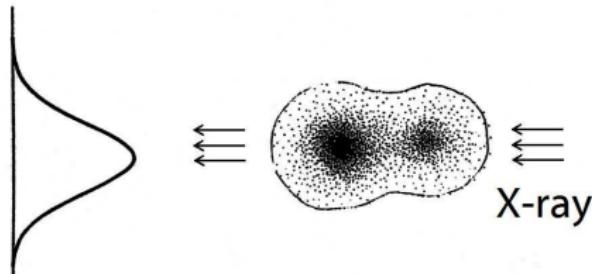
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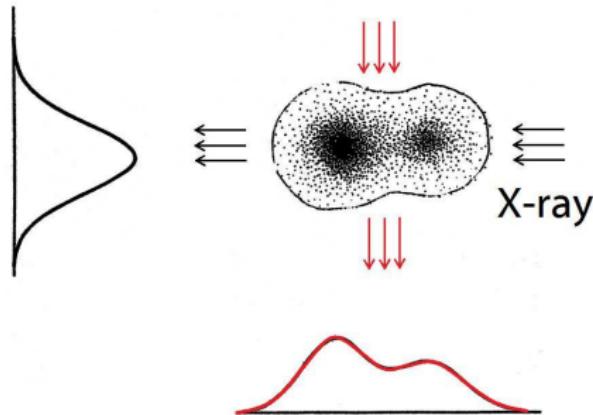
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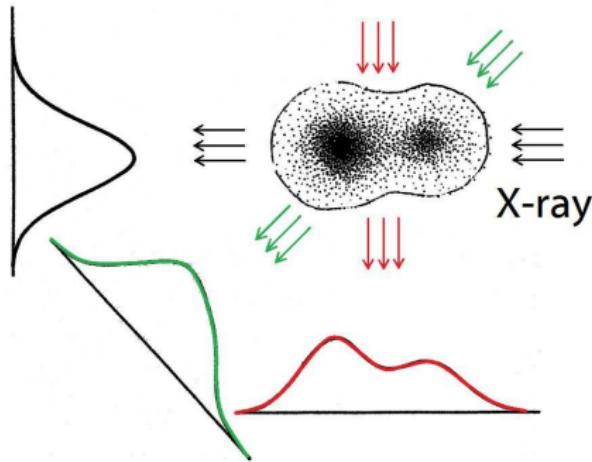
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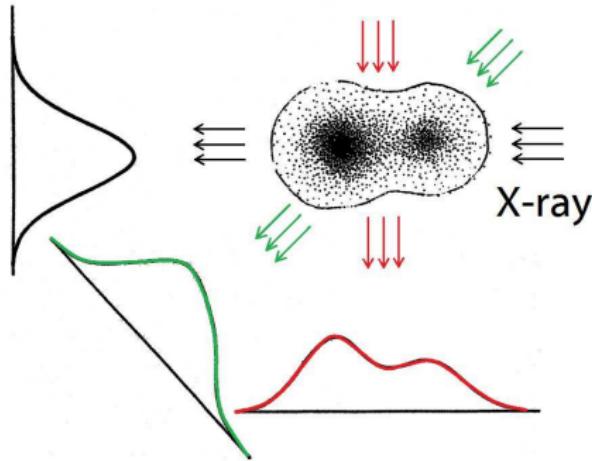
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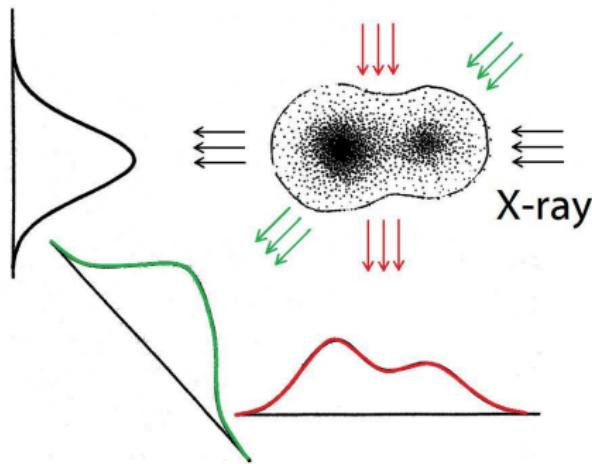


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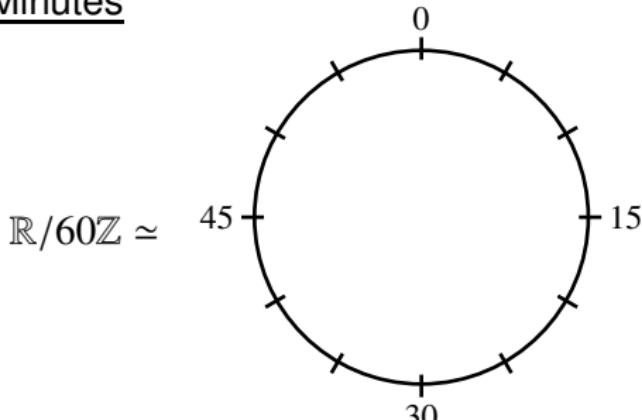
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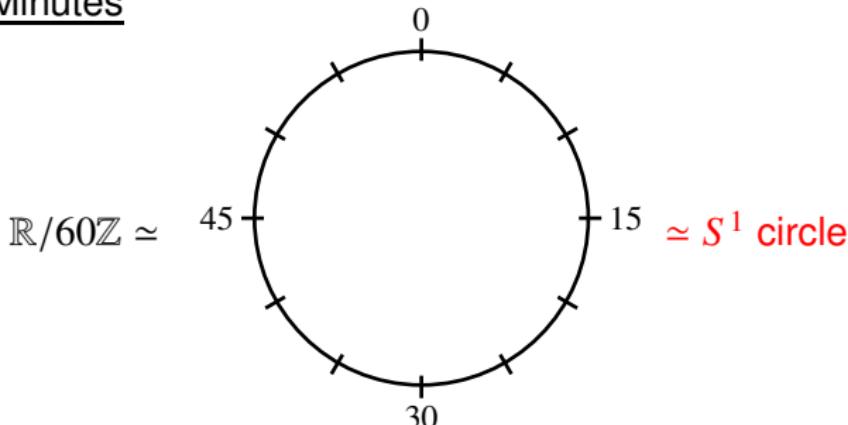
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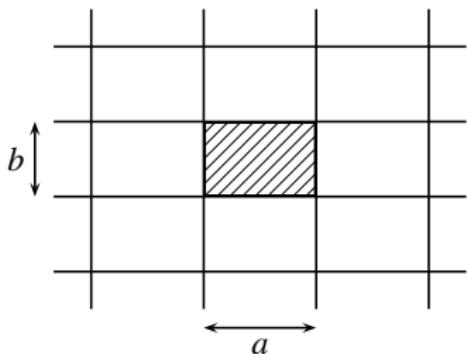
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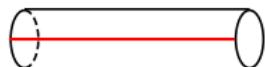
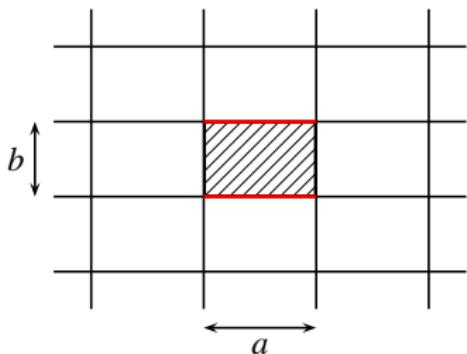


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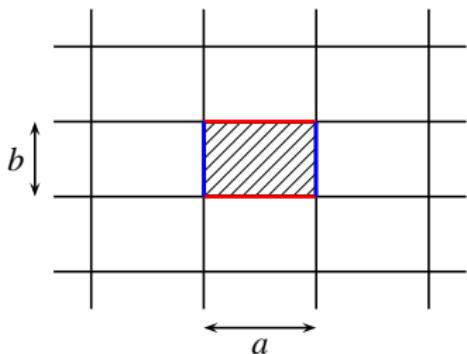


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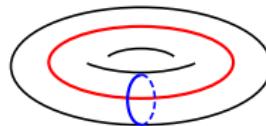
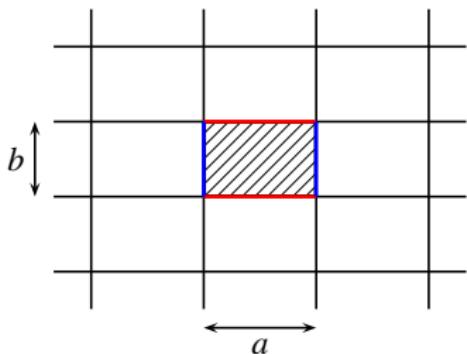


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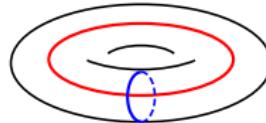
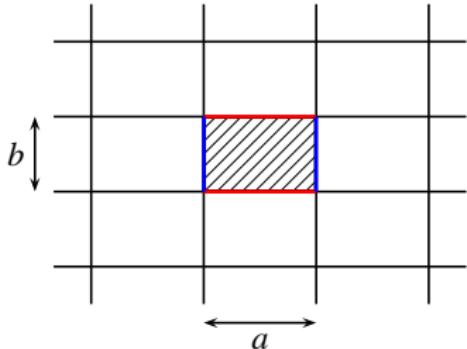
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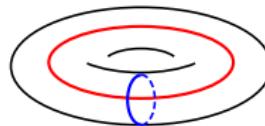
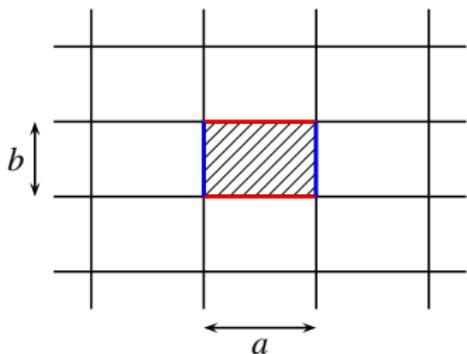
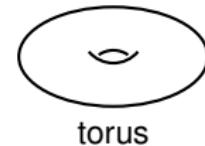
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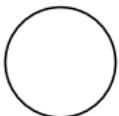
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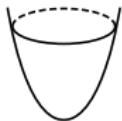


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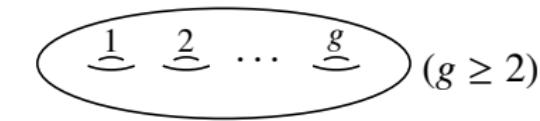
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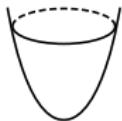
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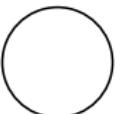
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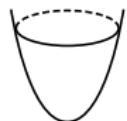
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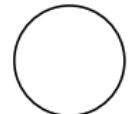
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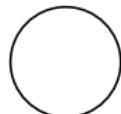
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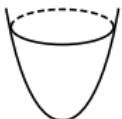
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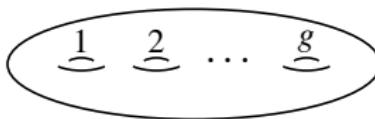


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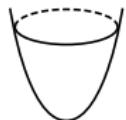
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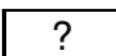
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n dimensional compact space forms

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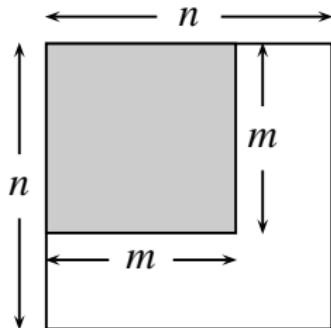
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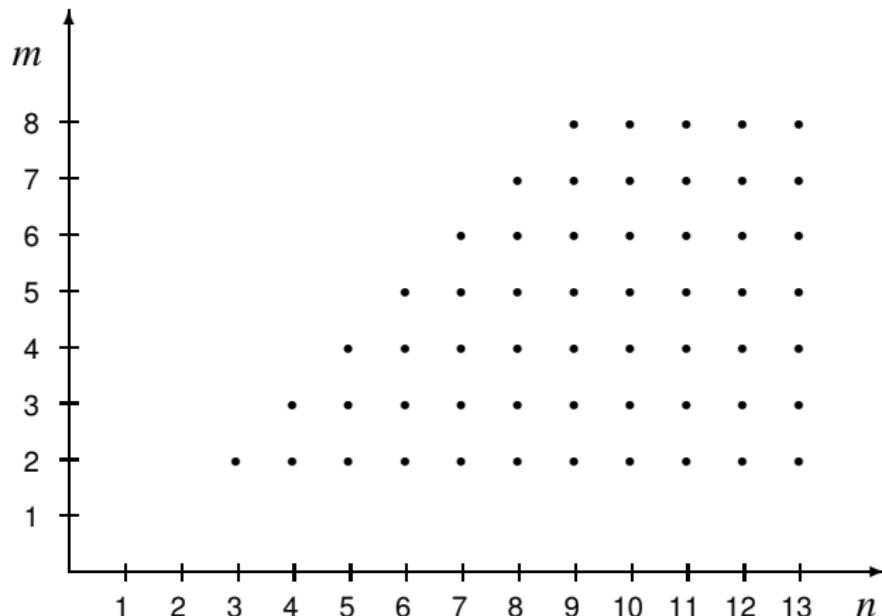
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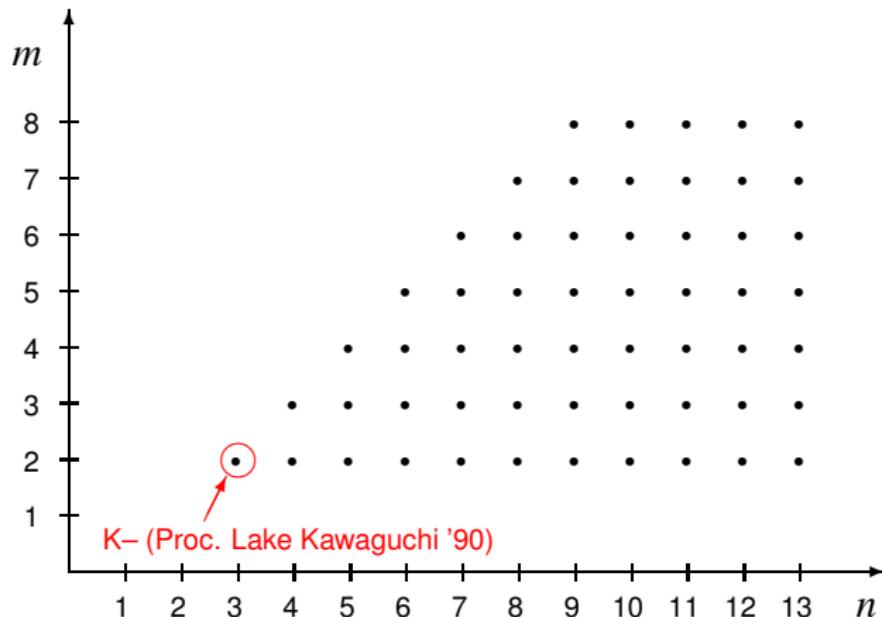
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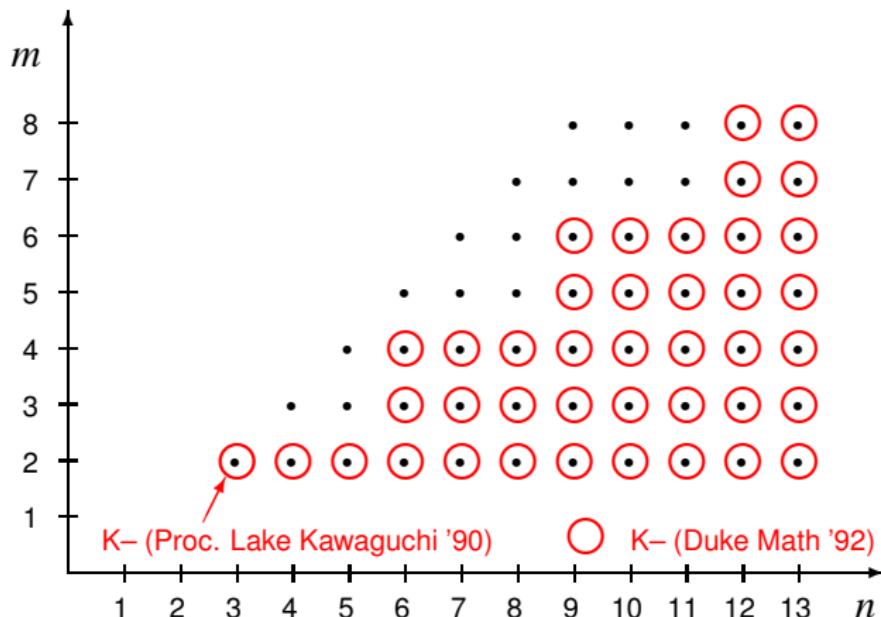
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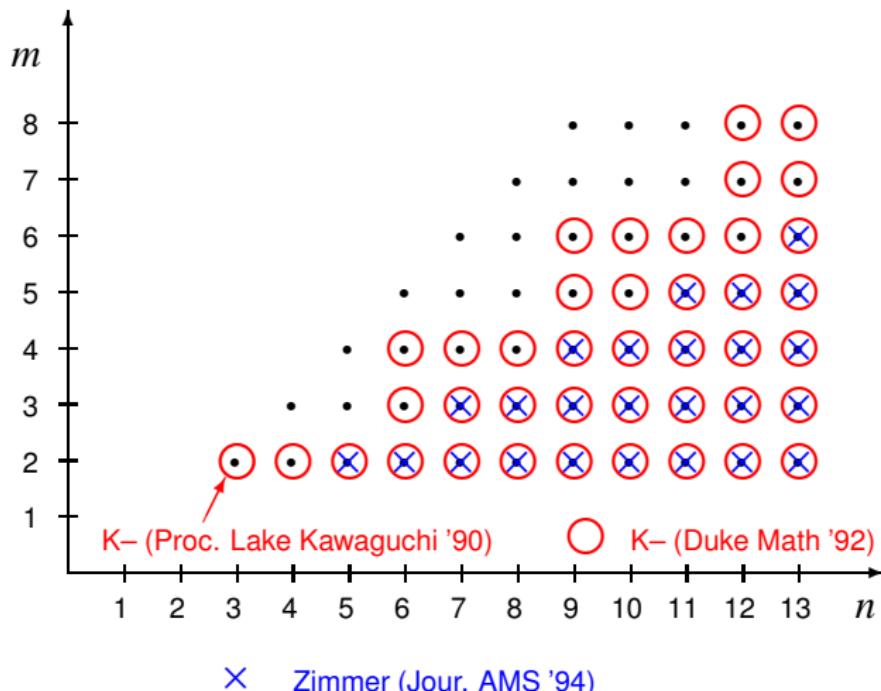
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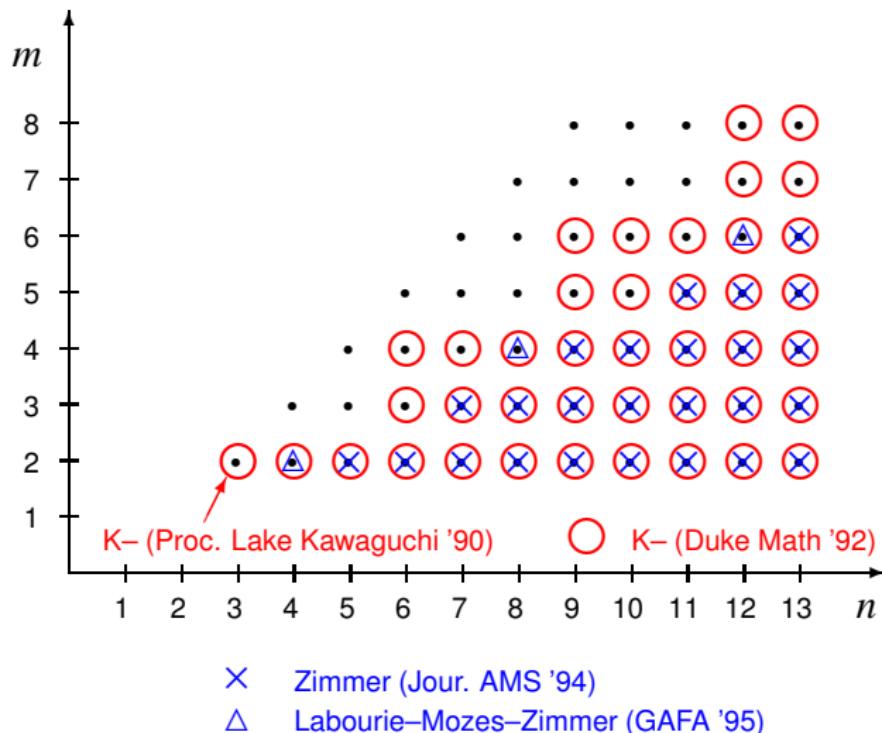
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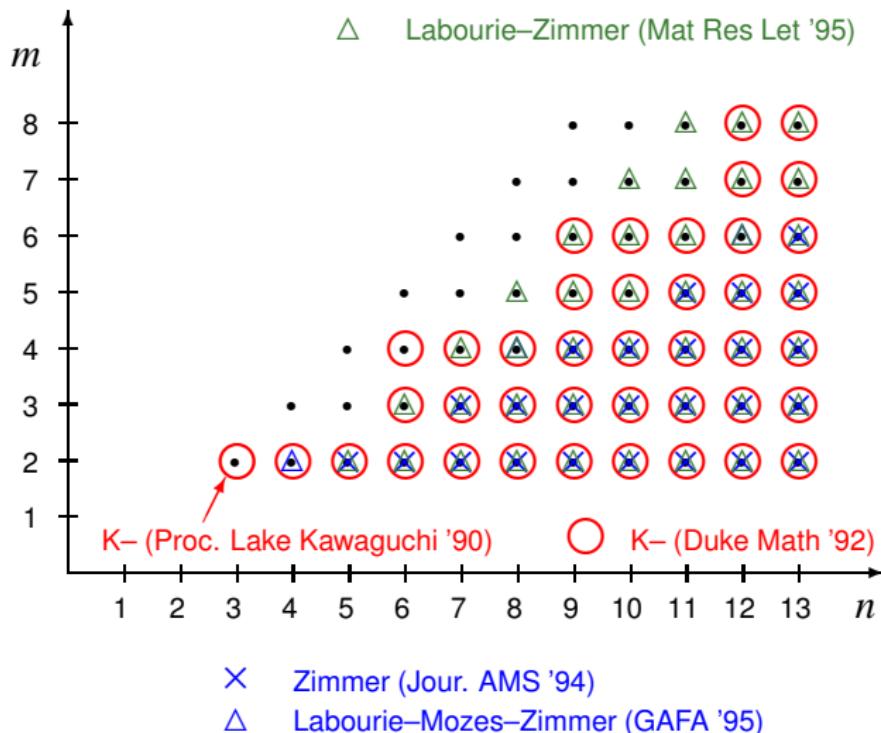
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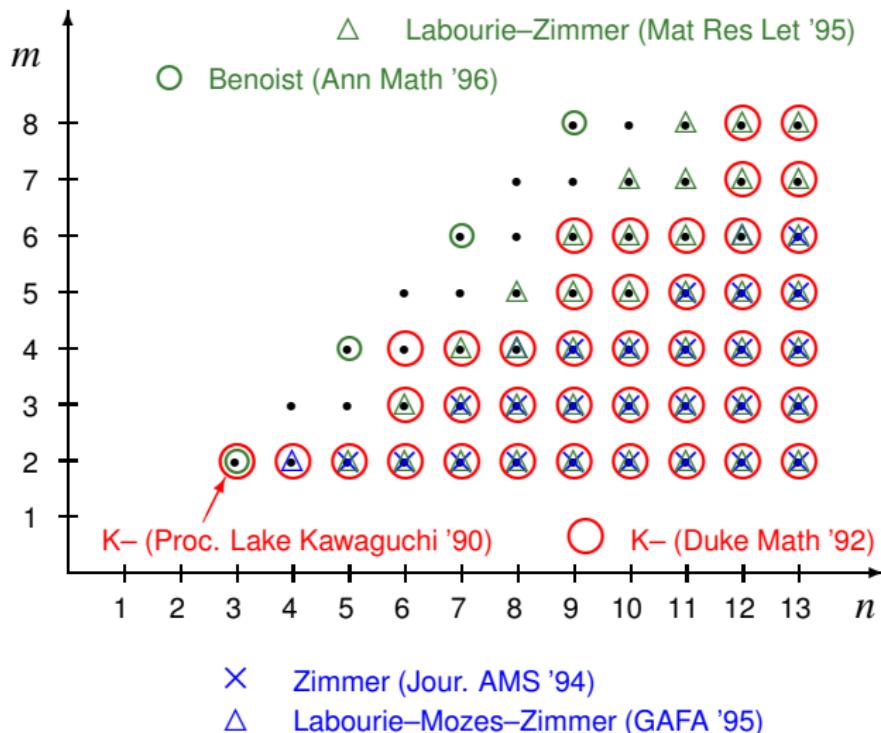
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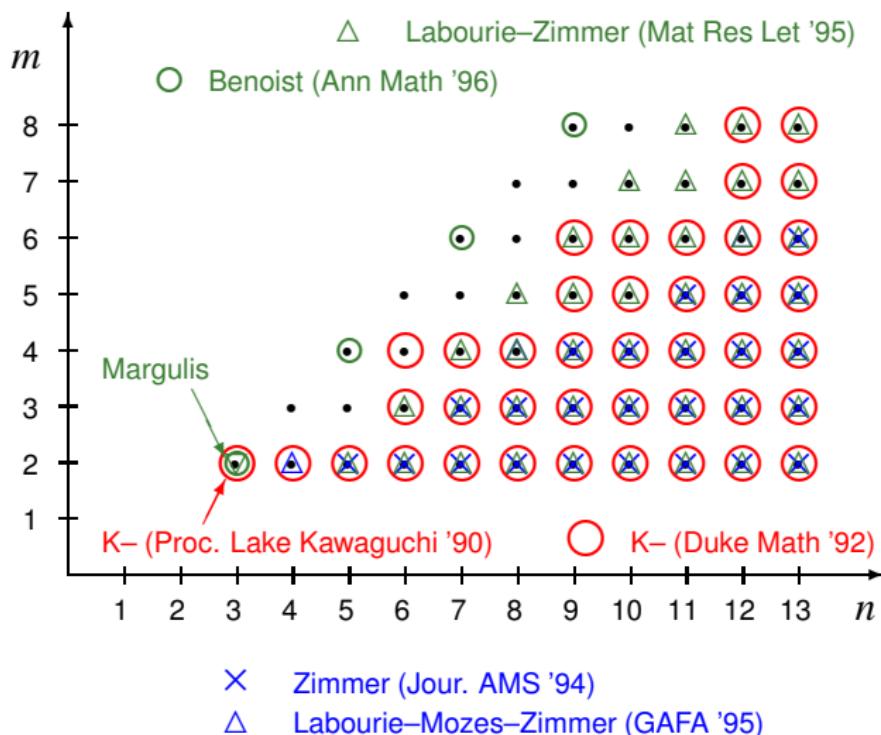
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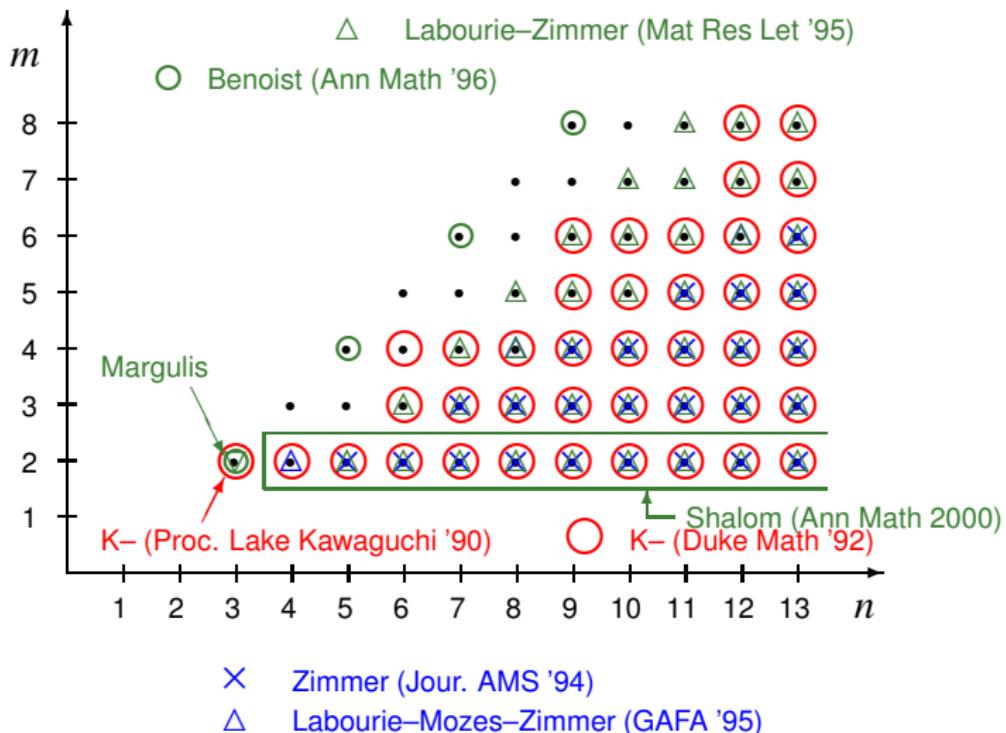
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Zimmer	orbit closure thm (Ratner)	$n > 2m$
Labourier–Mozes–Zimmer	ergodic action	$n \geq 2m$
Benoist	criterion of proper actions	$n = m + 1, m$ even
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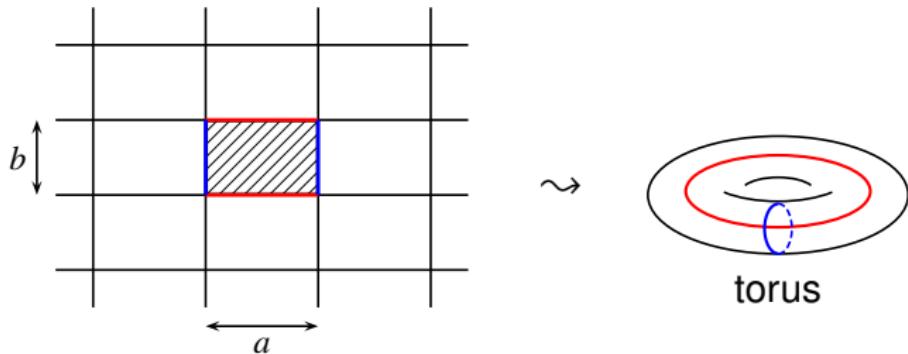
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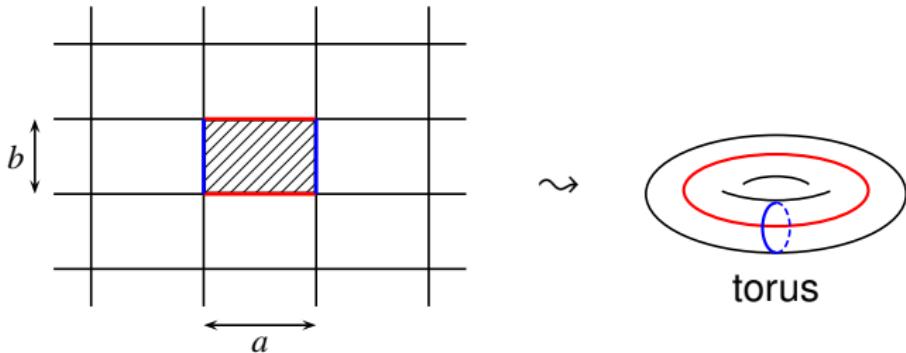
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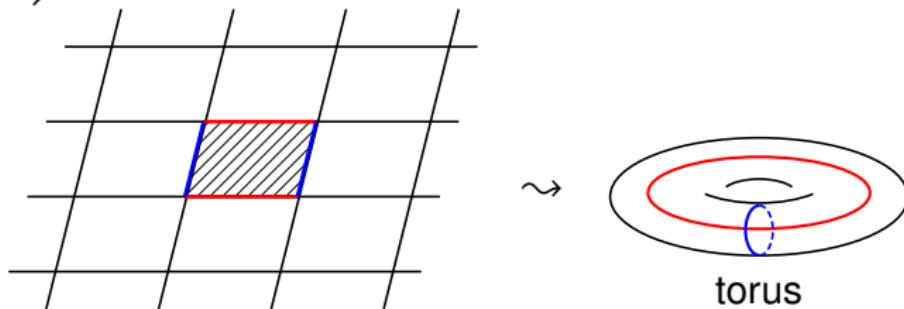
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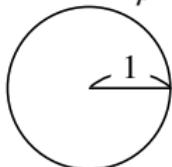
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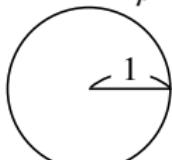
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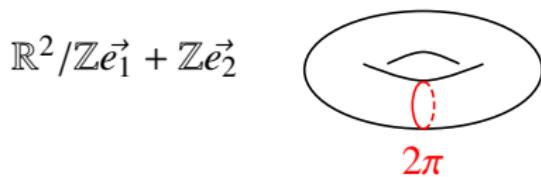
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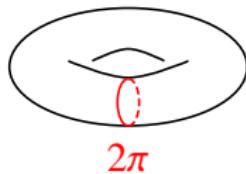
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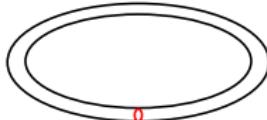
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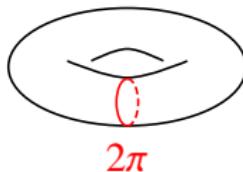
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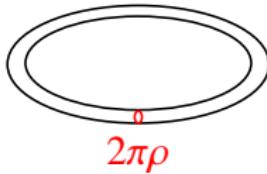
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Deformation of torus (flat case)

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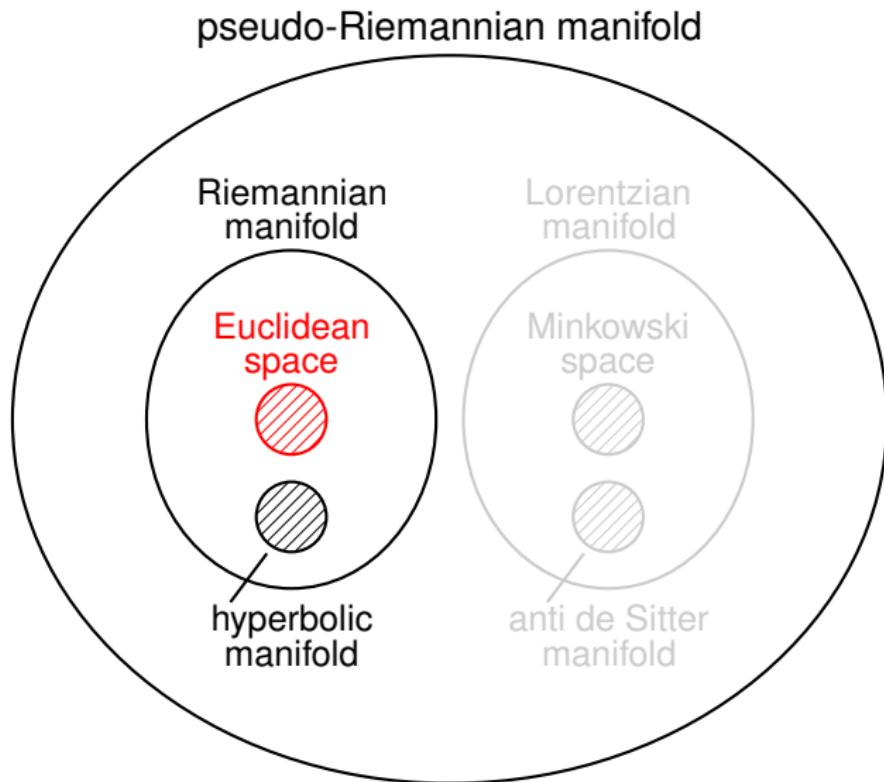
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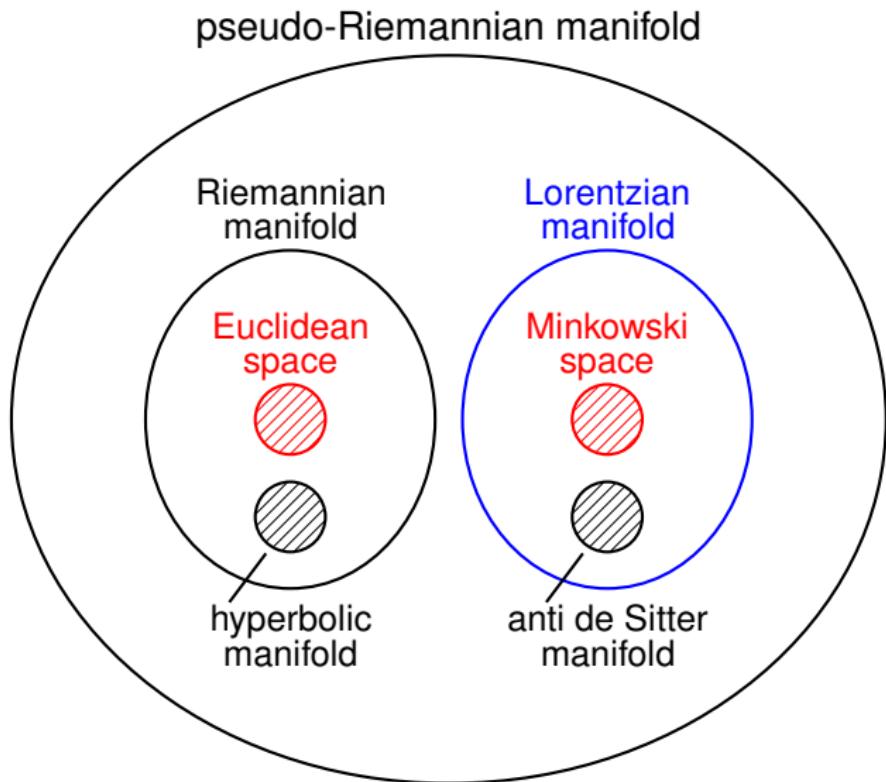
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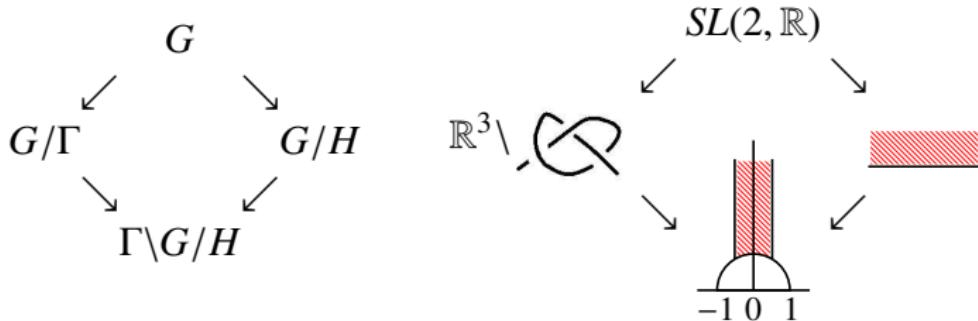


However,

for some locally symmetric spaces
such as 3-dim'l anti-de Sitter manifolds,
there exist countably many L^2 -eigenvalues.

Spectral analysis on $\Gamma \backslash G/H$ beyond Riemannian setting

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \Gamma & \subset & G & \supset & H \\ \text{discrete subgp} & & \text{Lie group} & & \text{subgroup} \end{array} \quad SL(2, \mathbb{Z}) \subset SL(2, \mathbb{R}) \supset SO(2)$$



New challenge: Initiate spectral analysis of Δ on $\Gamma \backslash G/H$ in a more general setting (non-abelian G and non-compact H).

Further difficulties arise

- (geometry) existence of good geometry $\Gamma \backslash G/H$?
study of “local to global” beyond Riemannian setting
- (analysis) Laplacian is no more elliptic.
- (representation theory) volume $(\Gamma \backslash G) = \infty$ even when $\Gamma \backslash G/H$ is compact

Geometric and analytic questions—locally symmetric spaces

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Geometric Question

Do compact locally symmetric spaces M exist?
Rigidity / Deformation ?



Analytic Question

Does point spectrum of the Laplacian Δ_M exist?
If so, construct L^2 -eigenfunctions.

Stability of eigenvalues ?



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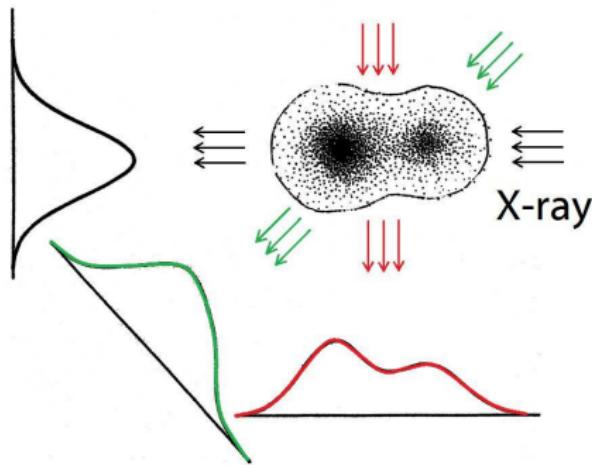
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Idea of computer tomography (try to 'see' the inside)



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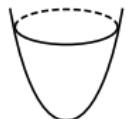
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(Riemannian)

(Lorentzian)

$$\mathbb{R}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^2$$



hyperbolic space

AdS^n
anti-de Sitter space

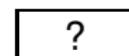
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$$\frac{1}{\text{---}} \quad \frac{2}{\text{---}} \quad \dots \quad \frac{g}{\text{---}}$$

hyperbolic manifold



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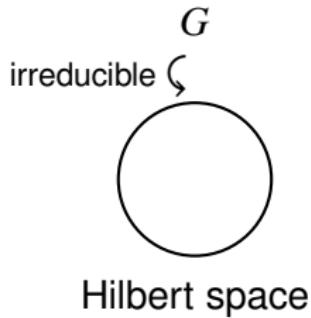
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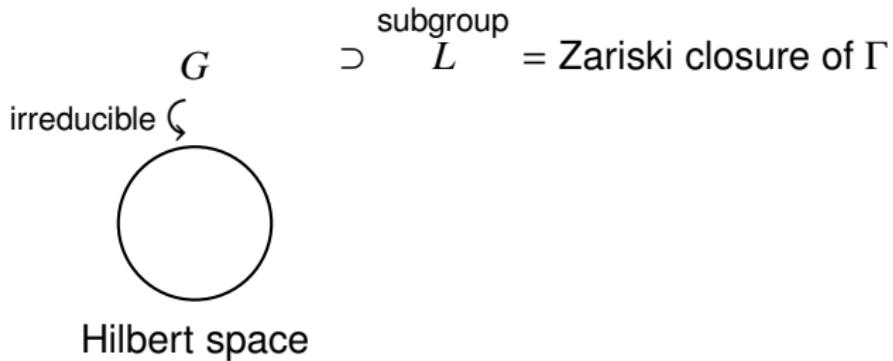
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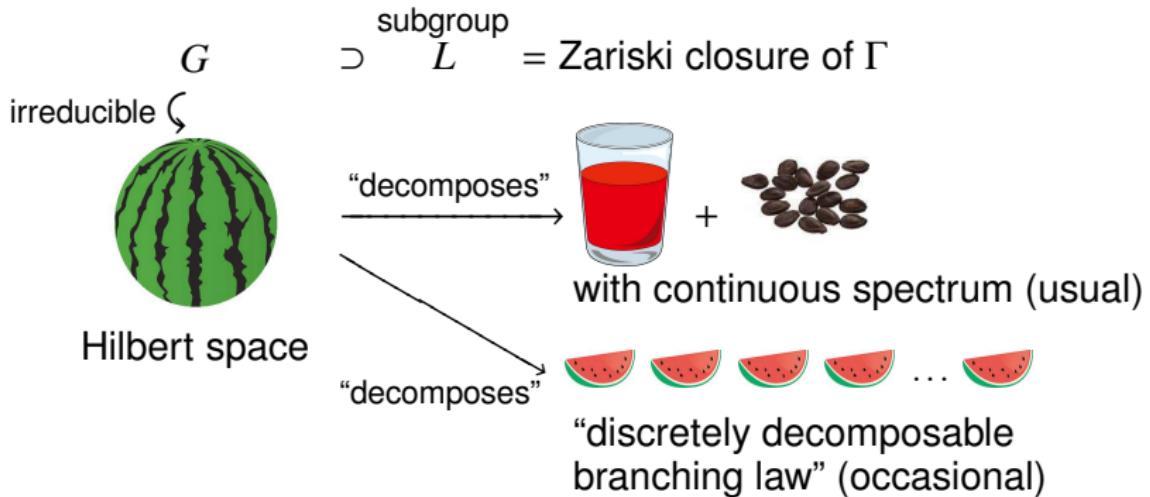
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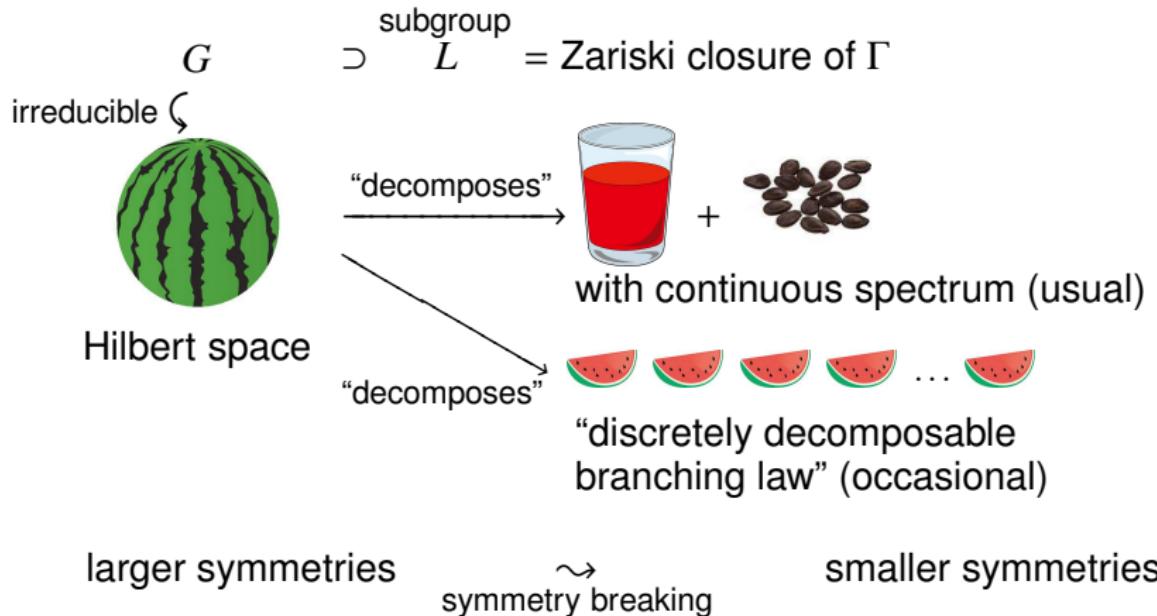
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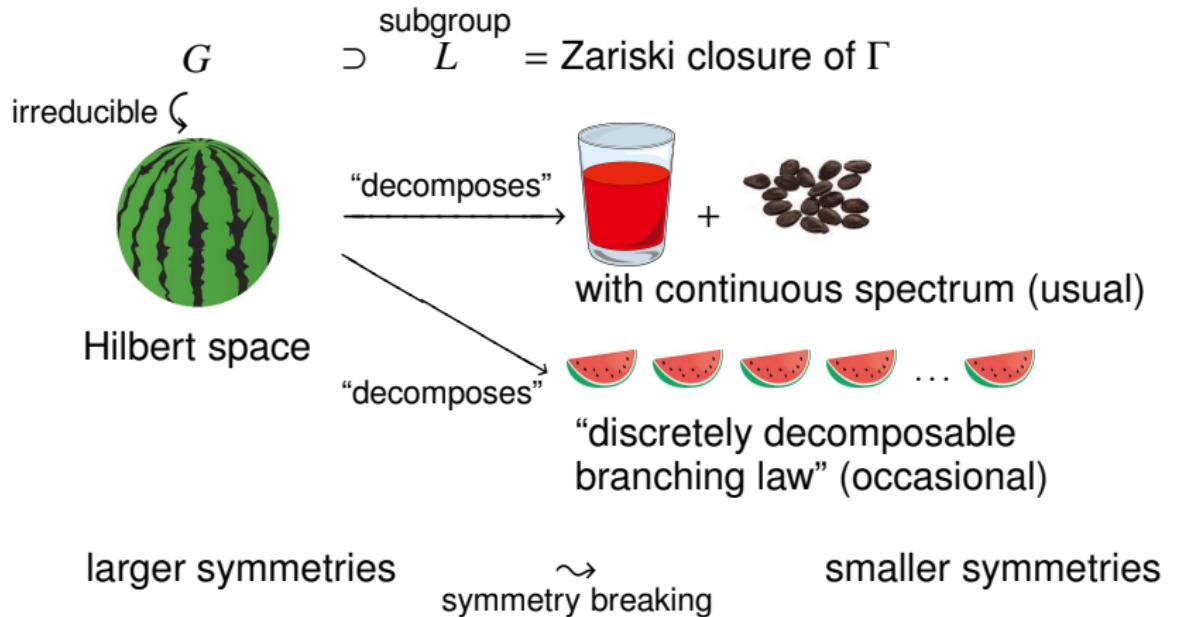
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