

Visible Actions and Multiplicity-free Representations

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Plan

I propose

*a new method (based on “visible actions”) to
prove/find/construct
multiplicity-free representations*

for finite/infinite dimensional representations.

References (a) for Varna Lectures

- Overview
[Publ. Res. Inst. Math. Sci. \(2005\)](#)
- Visible Actions — Classification Theory
[J. Math. Soc. Japan \(2007\)](#) ··· GL_n case
[Transformation Groups \(2007\)](#) ··· symmetric pairs
A. Sasaki (IMRN (2009), IMRN (2011), Geometriae Dedicata (2010))
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- Multiplicity-free Theorem via Visible Actions
[Progr. Math. \(2013\)](#) ··· general theory

References (b) for Varna Lectures

- Application to concrete examples
[Acta Appl. Math. \(2004\)](#) $\cdots \otimes$ product, GL_n
[Progr. Math. \(2008\)](#)
- Generalization of Kostant–Schmid formula
[Proc. Rep. Theory, Saga \(1997\)](#)
- Multiplicity-free Theorems and Orbit Philosophy
[Adv. Math. Sci. \(2003\), AMS](#) (with Nasrin)
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$\dim \text{Hom}_{(\mathbb{C}^\times)^n}(\tau, \mathcal{O}(\{0\})) \leq 1$
($\forall \tau = \tau_\alpha$: irred. rep. of $(\mathbb{C}^\times)^n$)

i.e. $(\mathbb{C}^\times)^n \curvearrowright \mathcal{O}(\{0\})$ is MF

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$G \curvearrowright L^2(G/K)$ is MF (E. Cartan ('29)–I. M. Gelfand ('50))

\otimes -product rep.

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Notation (finite dimensional reps)

$$G = GL_n(\mathbb{C})$$

Highest weight

$$\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n, \quad \lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n$$

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Irreducible rep.

$$\pi_\lambda^{GL_n} \equiv \pi_\lambda$$

Ex.8

$$\lambda = (k, 0, \dots, 0) \quad \leftrightarrow \quad GL_n(\mathbb{C}) \curvearrowright S^k(\mathbb{C}^n)$$

$$\lambda = (\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_k, 0, \dots, 0) \quad \leftrightarrow \quad GL_n(\mathbb{C}) \curvearrowright \Lambda^k(\mathbb{C}^n)$$

\otimes -product rep. (GL_n -case)

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for some $a \geq b$ and some p

\otimes -product rep. (continued)

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Geometric interpretation ([K-, 2004](#)) \cdots visible action

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 $\pi^{GL_n}(\underbrace{x, \dots, x}_{n_1}, \underbrace{y, \dots, y}_{n_2}, \underbrace{z, \dots, z}_{n_3})|_{GL_p \times GL_q}$ is MF

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can be proved by combinatorial methods (e.g. Littlewood–Richardson rule) but

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\implies restriction $\pi|_{U(p-1, q)}$ is MF as a $U(p-1, q)$ -module

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Ex.17 ([Progress in Math. 2008](#))

Branching law of holomorphic discrete series rep. with respect to symmetric pair

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K–

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\cup

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Recall:

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multiplicity-free

if $\dim \text{Hom}_G(\tau, \pi) \leq 1$ ($\forall \tau$: irred. rep. of G).

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Prop. The irreducible decomp. of π is unique, and $m_\pi(\tau) \leq 1$ for almost every τ with respect to $d\mu$.

In particular, multiplicity for any discrete spectrum ≤ 1

$$\pi \simeq \int_{\widehat{G}} m_\pi(\tau) \tau d\mu(\tau) \quad (\text{direct integral})$$

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(π, \mathcal{U}) : continuous rep.

Def. We say (π, \mathcal{U}) is (unitarily) MF

if, for any unitary rep. (ϖ, \mathcal{H}) s.t.

there exists an injective continuous G -map $\mathcal{H} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{U}$,

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MF still holds for vector bundle case of 'small' fibers,

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associated to the $SO(n)$ -representation on the exterior power $\Lambda^k(\mathbb{C}^n)$, but no other cases (Deitmar, [K-2005](#))

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MF still holds under certain **deformation** of G -regular representation of $L^2(G/K)$

deformation coming from hidden symmetry.

E.g. Gelfand–Vershik canonical rep of $SL_2(\mathbb{R})$.

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Other real forms of $SL(n, \mathbb{C})/SO(n, \mathbb{C})$:

Ex.23 (T. Oshima, Delorme) $G/H = SL(n, \mathbb{R})/SO(p, n-p)$

Multiplicity of most cont. spec. in $L^2(G/H)$

$$= \frac{n!}{p!(n-p)!} > 1 \text{ if } 0 < p < n.$$

\Rightarrow **NOT MF**

Broken symmetry and hidden symmetry

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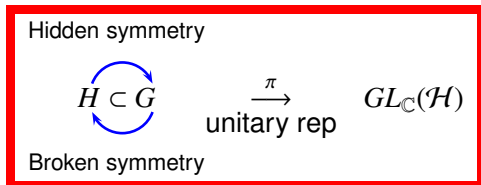
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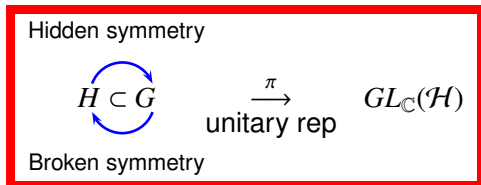
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Branching law

= description of broken symmetry

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Sometimes discrete spectrum may appear!

Known methods

Various techniques have been used in proving various MF results, in particular, for finite dim'l reps

For example, one may

1. look for an open orbit of a Borel subgroup.
2. apply Littlewood–Richardson rules and variants.
3. use computational combinatorics.
4. employ the Gelfand trick (the commutativity of the Hecke algebra).
5. apply Schur–Weyl duality and Howe duality.

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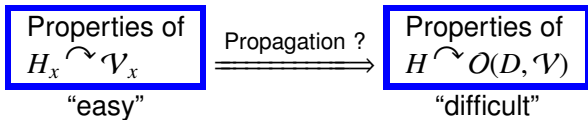
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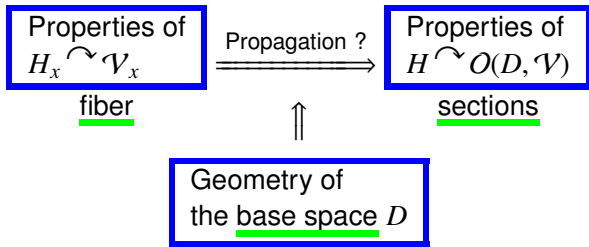
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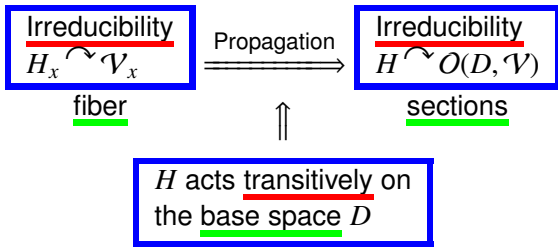


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 \text{fiber} & & \text{sections} \\
 \underline{\hspace{2cm}} & & \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \\
 & \Uparrow & \\
 & & \boxed{H \text{ acts } \underline{\text{strong visibly}} \text{ on} \\ & & \text{the } \underline{\text{base space } D}}
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$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$
$$\{x\} \in D$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{H \curvearrowright O(D, \mathcal{V})}$$

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Theorem (Propagation theorem)

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$$\implies H \curvearrowright O(D, \mathcal{V}) \quad \underline{\text{MF}}$$

if assumptions 1 & 2 hold.

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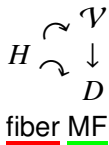
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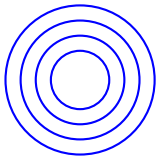
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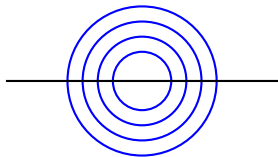
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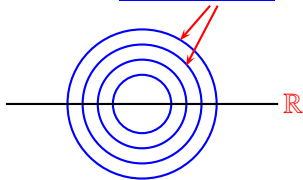


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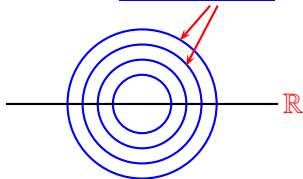


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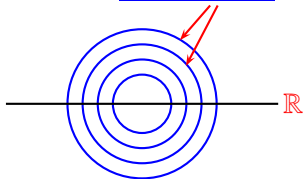
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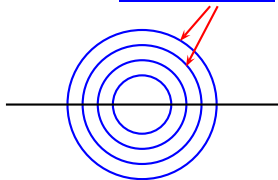
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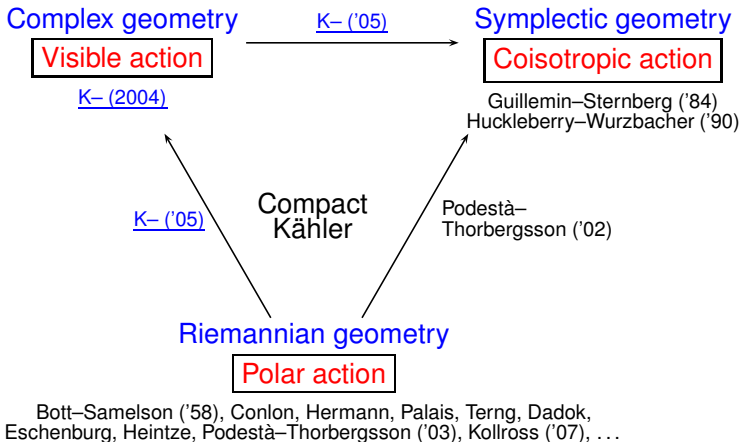
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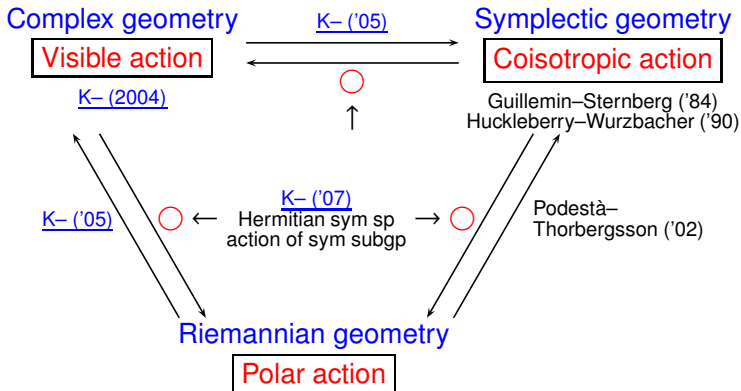
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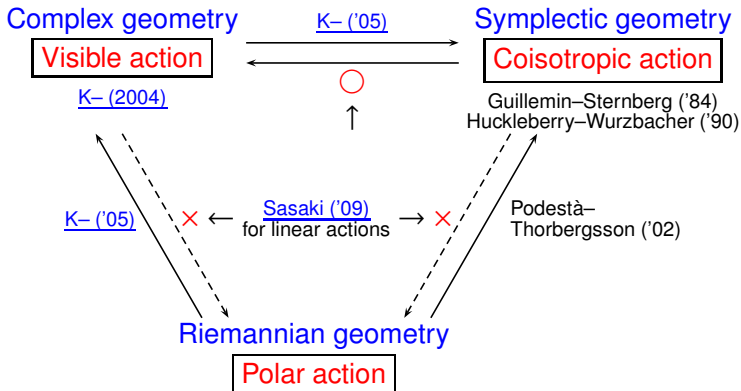


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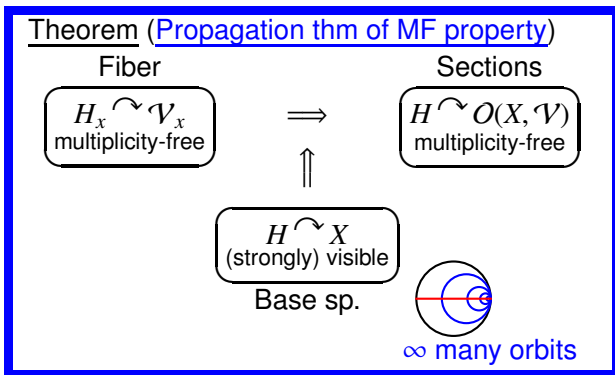
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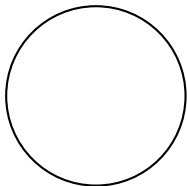
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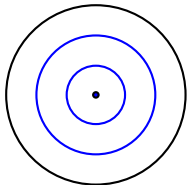
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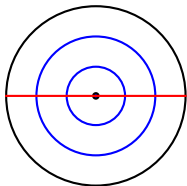


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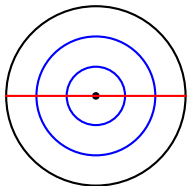


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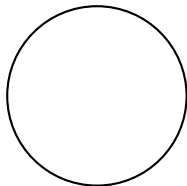
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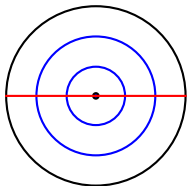
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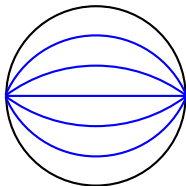
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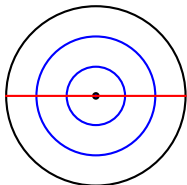


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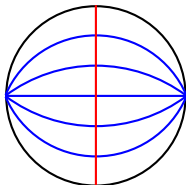
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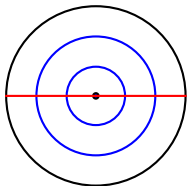


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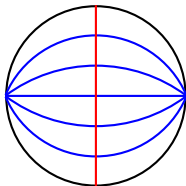
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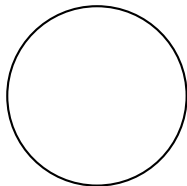
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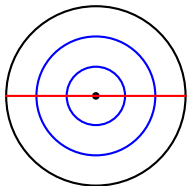
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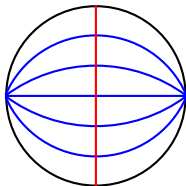
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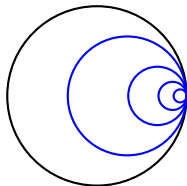
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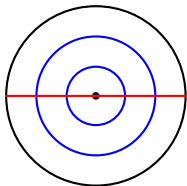


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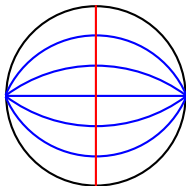
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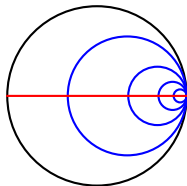
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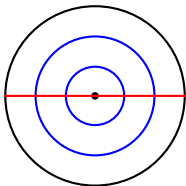
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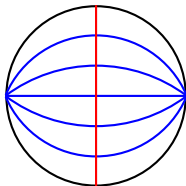
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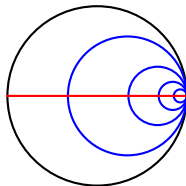
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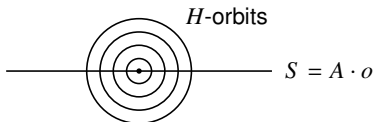
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Geometry

(visible actions)

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⇓ Propagation theorem

Three kinds of MF results:

- (Taylor series) $\mathbb{T}^n \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C}^n)$ Ex.2
- $(GL_n \downarrow GL_{n-1})$ Restriction $\pi|_{GL_{n-1}}$ Ex.14
- (Pieri) $\pi \otimes S^k(\mathbb{C}^n)$ Ex.9

\otimes -product rep.

$$\lambda = (\underbrace{a, \dots, a}_p, \underbrace{b, \dots, b}_q) \in \mathbb{Z}^n, \quad a \geq b$$

Ex.11 (Stembridge 2001, [K-2002](#))

$\pi_\lambda \otimes \pi_\nu$ is MF as a $GL_n(\mathbb{C})$ -module if

1) $\min(a - b, p, q) = 1$ (and ν is any),

or

2) $\min(a - b, p, q) = 2$ and

★ ν is of the form $\nu = (\underbrace{x \cdots x}_{n_1} \underbrace{y \cdots y}_{n_2} \underbrace{z \cdots z}_{n_3})$ ($x \geq y \geq z$)

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$$\min(x - y, y - z, n_1, n_2, n_3) = 1.$$

Restriction $(GL_n \downarrow G_{n_1} \times GL_{n_2} \times GL_{n_3})$

Ex.12 $(GL_n \downarrow (GL_p \times GL_q)) \quad n = p + q$

$\pi_{(x, \dots, x, y, \dots, y, z, \dots, z)}^{GL_n} |_{GL_p \times GL_q}$ is MF

$\underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{n_1} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{n_2} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{n_3}$

if $\min(p, q) \leq 2$ or

if $\min(n_1, n_2, n_3, x - y, y - z) \leq 1$

(Kostant $n_3 = 0$; Krattenthaler 1998)

Ex.13 $(GL_n \downarrow (GL_{n_1} \times GL_{n_2} \times GL_{n_3}))$ ([5])

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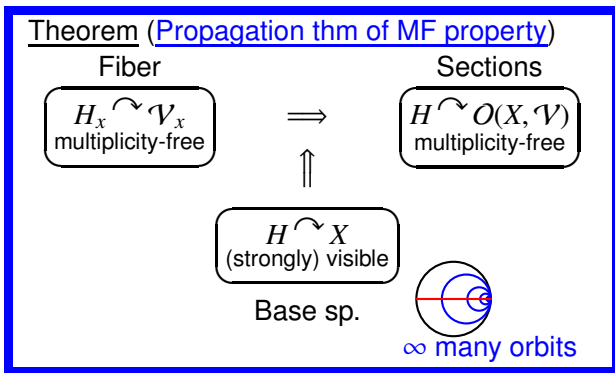
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MF (multiplicity-free) theorem

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Thank you !!

(Short story by Soseki, 1908)

“He uses the hammer and chisel without any forethought, and he can make the eyebrows and nose as live.”

“Ah, they are not made by hammer and chisel. The eyebrows and nose are buried inside the tree. It is exactly the same as digging a rock out of the earth — there is no way to mistake.”



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