

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
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A. Sasaki (IMRN (2009), IMRN (2011), Geometriae Dedicata (2010))
Y. Tanaka (J. Algebra (2014), J. Math. Soc. Japan (2013), Tohoku J. B. Australian Math. Soc. (2013), etc)
- Multiplicity-free Theorem via Visible Actions
[Progr. Math. \(2013\)](#) ··· general theory

References (b) for Varna Lectures

- Application to concrete examples
[Acta Appl. Math. \(2004\)](#) ··· \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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($\forall \tau = \tau_\alpha$: 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))

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Lecture 2. Various examples of MF representations

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for some $a \geq b$ and some p

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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

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

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(Kostant $n_3 = 0$; Krattenthaler 1998)

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(Kostant $n_3 = 0$; Krattenthaler 1998)

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

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

Hua-Kostant-Schmid,

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K-

∞ dim

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

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

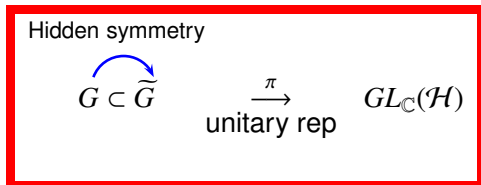
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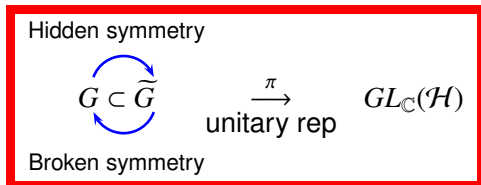
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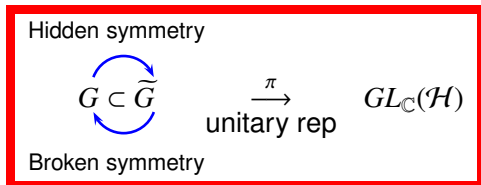
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= description of broken symmetry

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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).
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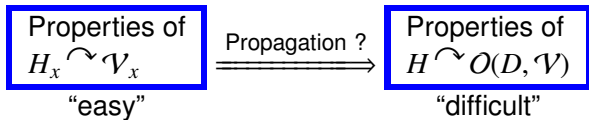
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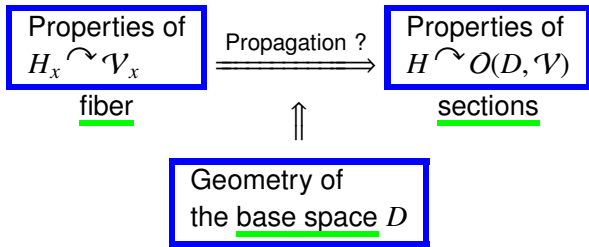
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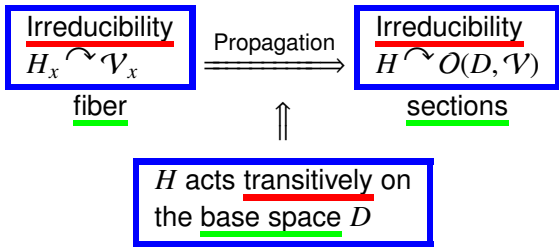


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Progr. Math (2013)

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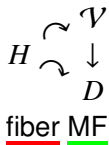
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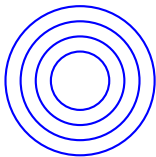
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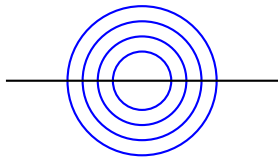
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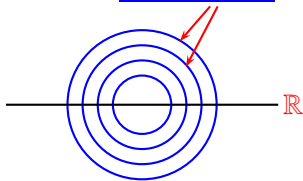


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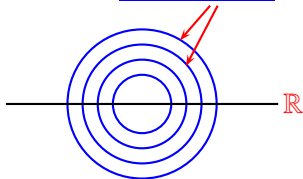
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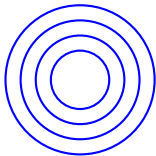
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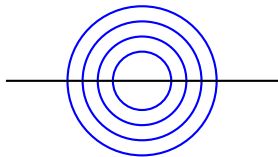
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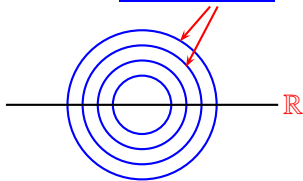


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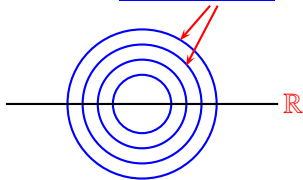
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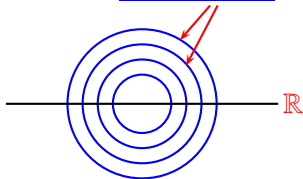
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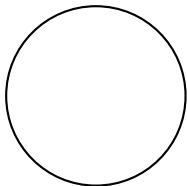
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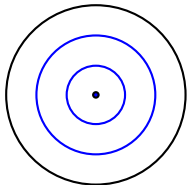
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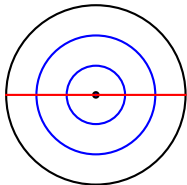


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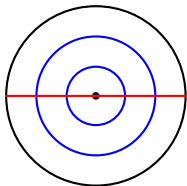


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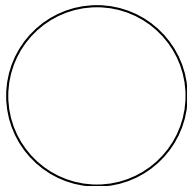
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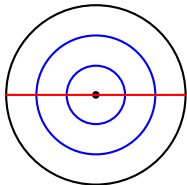
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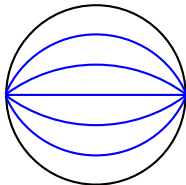
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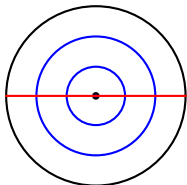


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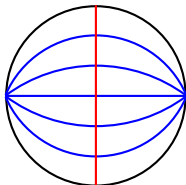
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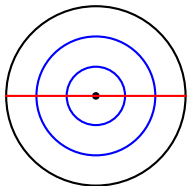


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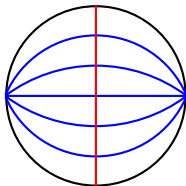
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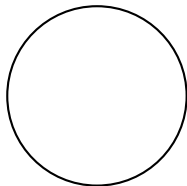
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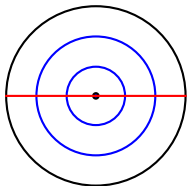
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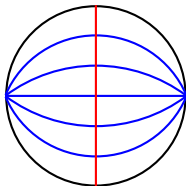
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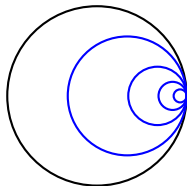
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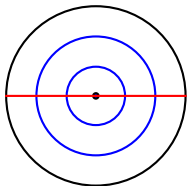


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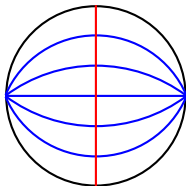
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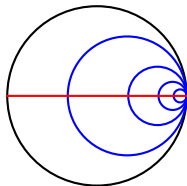
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Theorem ([Transf. Groups \(2007\)](#))

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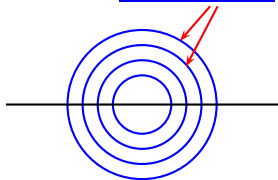
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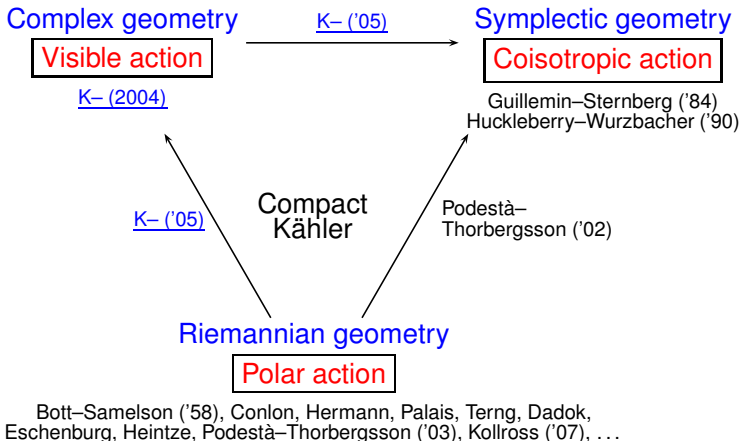
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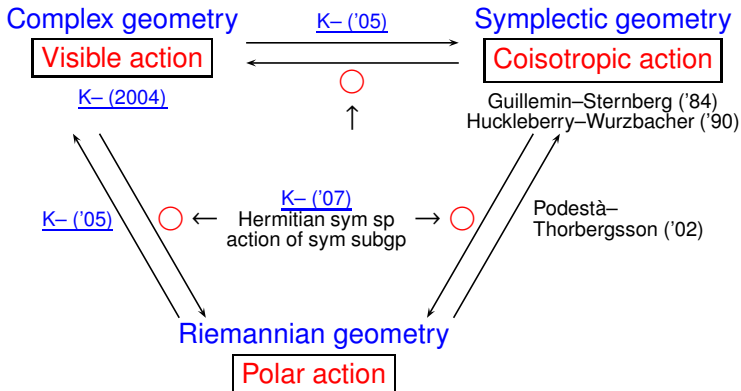
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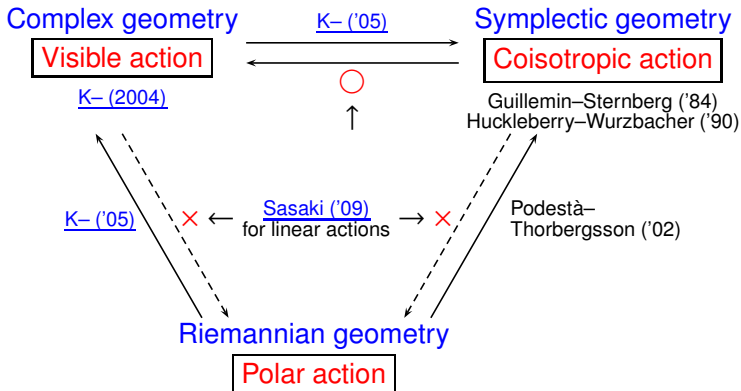


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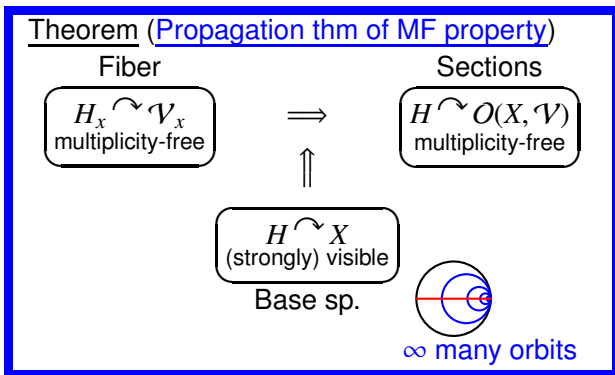
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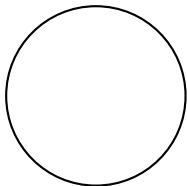
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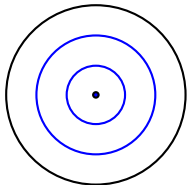
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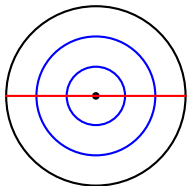


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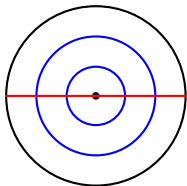


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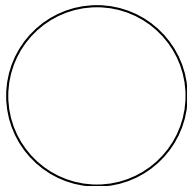
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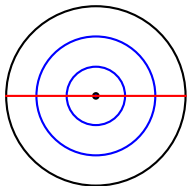
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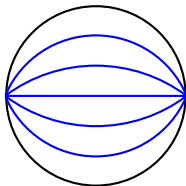
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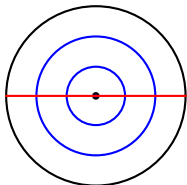


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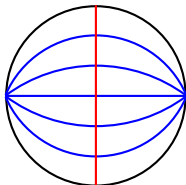
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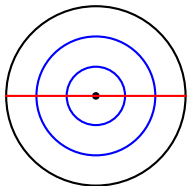


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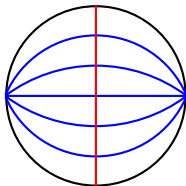
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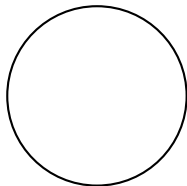
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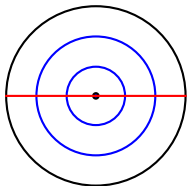
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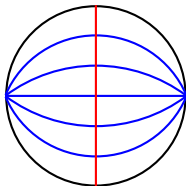
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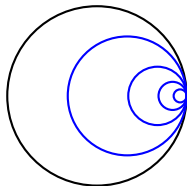
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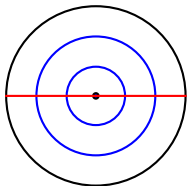


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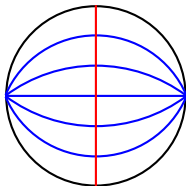
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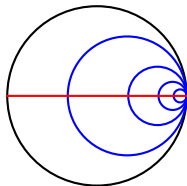
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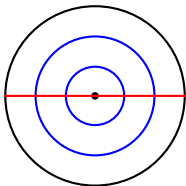
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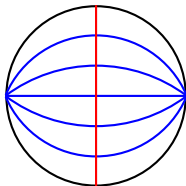
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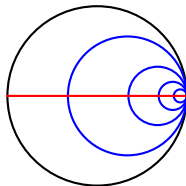
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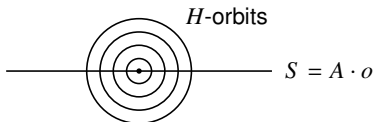
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$\implies S$ is a candidate of 'slice' for (strongly) visible action

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- the Stembridge list of $\pi_\lambda \otimes \pi_\nu$ Ex.11
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- $(GL_n \downarrow GL_{n-1})$ Restriction $\pi|_{GL_{n-1}}$ Ex.14
- (Pieri) $\pi \otimes S^k(\mathbb{C}^n)$ Ex.9

\otimes -product rep.

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

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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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(Kostant $n_3 = 0$; Krattenthaler 1998)

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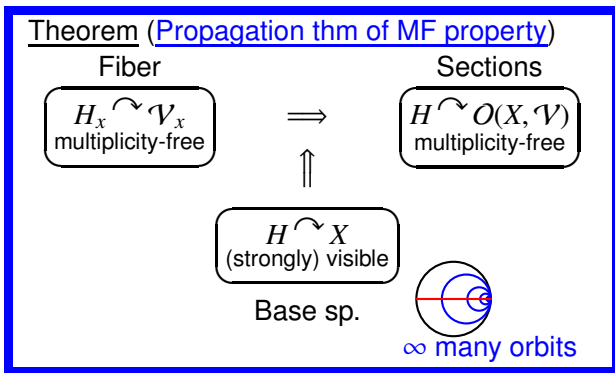
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Thank you !!

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