

Branchings to symmetric pairs and analysis on symmetric spaces

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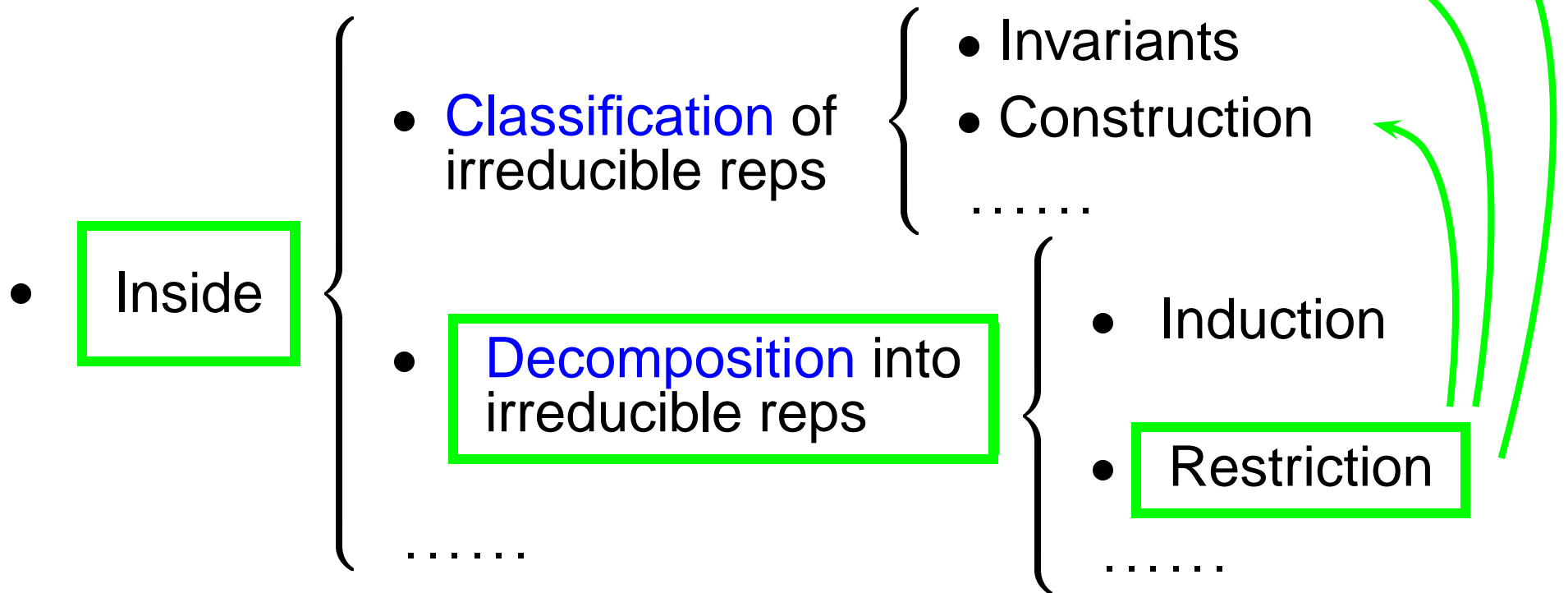
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 - Modular varieties, disjoint gps
 - Geometric analysis
 - Algebraic analysis



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(e.g. Analysis on homo. space G/G')

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Branching Law

(e.g. Tensor product, ...)

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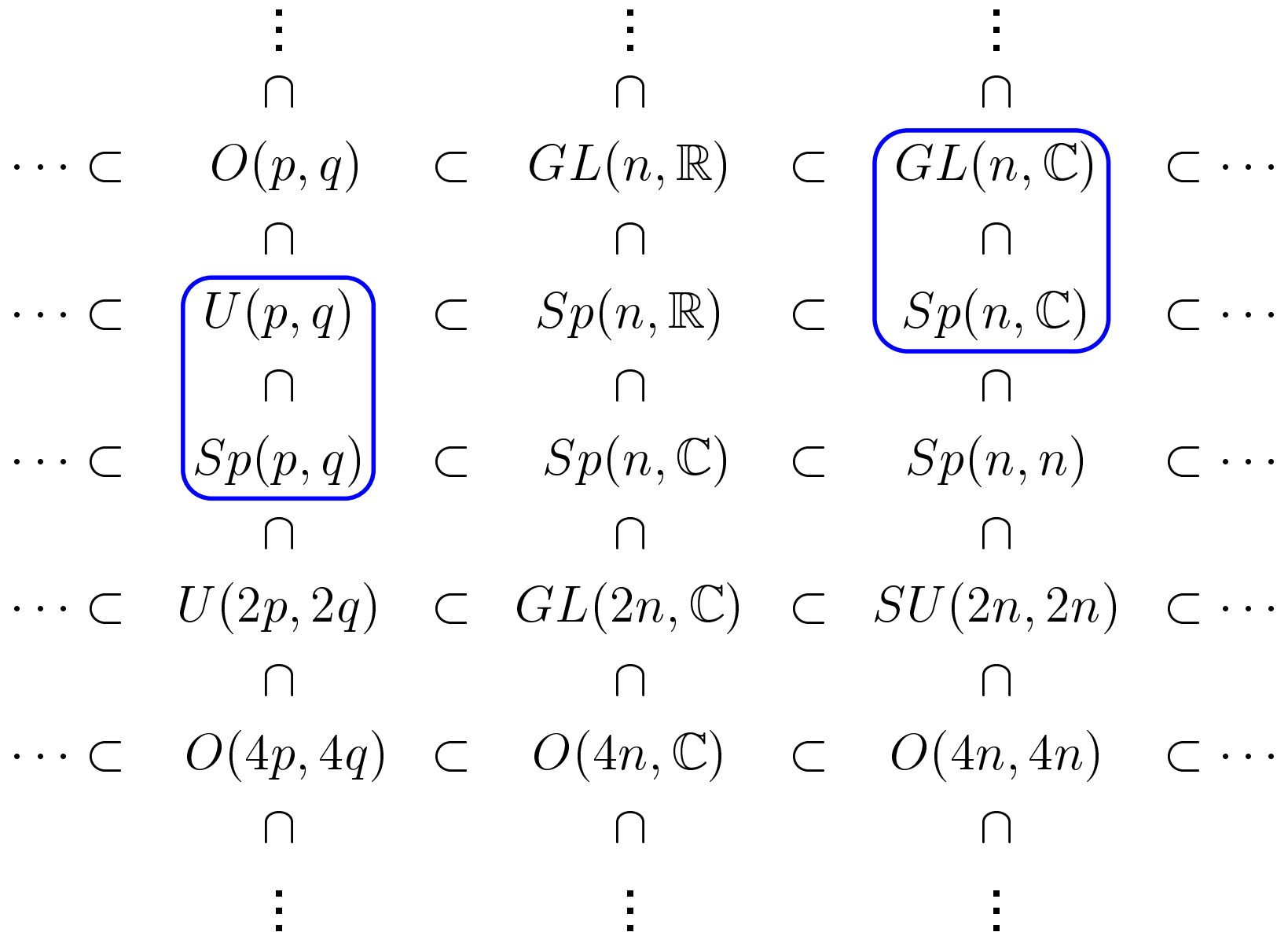
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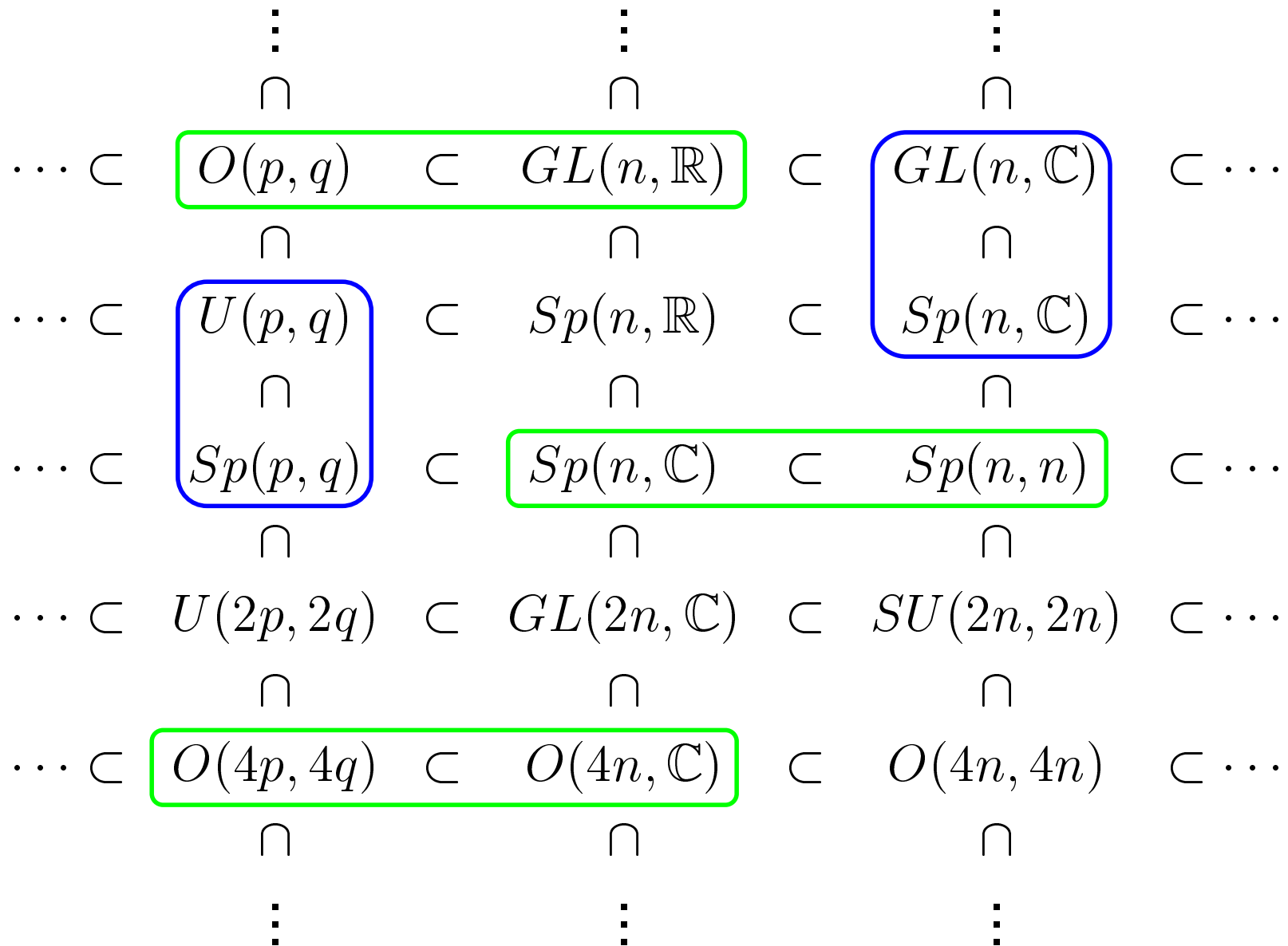
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- The decomposition of the restriction $\pi|_H$ may **construct** ‘new’ irreducible unitary representations **of H** as discrete summand
(Howe, Gross–Wallach ’94, Zhang ’04)
((G, H) not necessarily symmetric)

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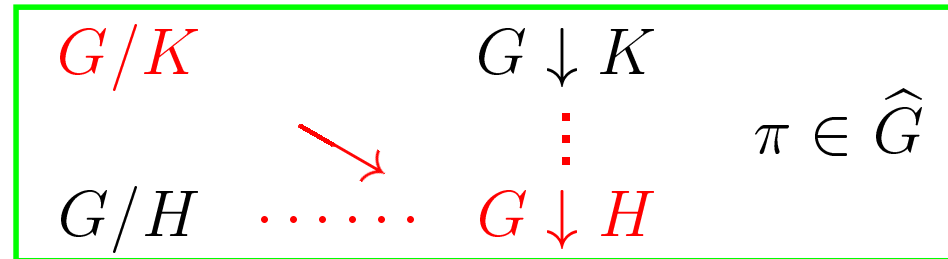
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 (Ólafsson–Ørsted, ...)
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 $\Leftrightarrow (G, \pi) = (G' \times G', \text{ certain degenerate principal series})$
 ('canonical rep' of Gelfand–Graev–Vershik, van Dijk, Molchanov, ...)

Learning from G/K



Problem Find a theory for $G \downarrow H$
as a counterpart to the following G/K result.

- $L^2(G/K)$ is multiplicity-free
- G compact: Cartan–Helgason formula
- G non-compact: no discrete series for G/K

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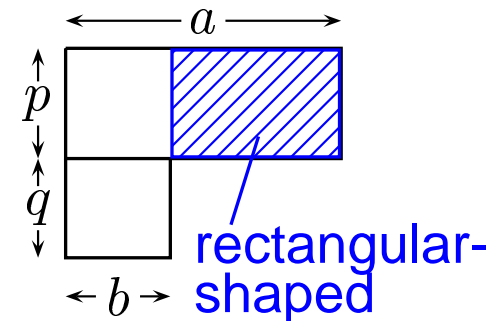
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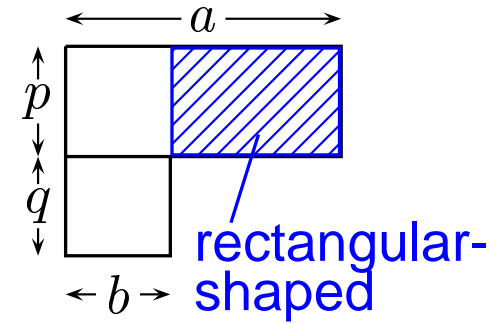
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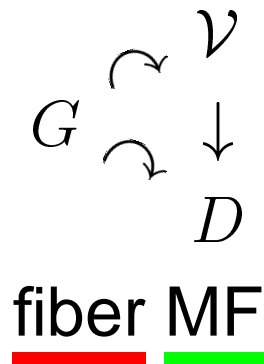
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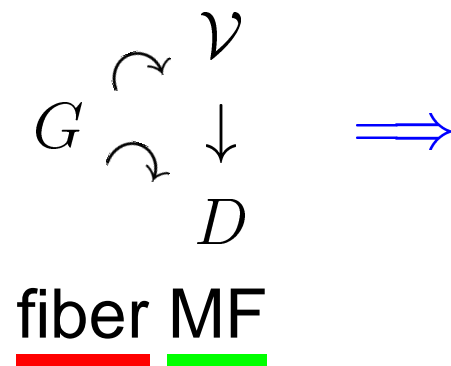
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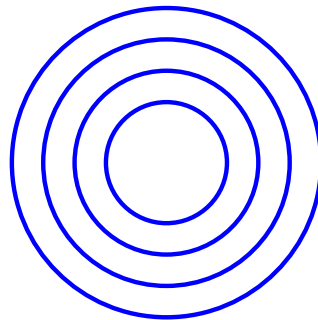
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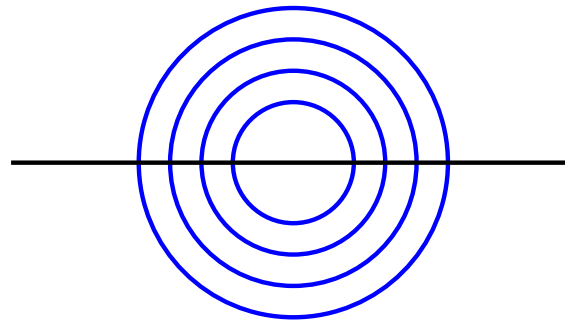
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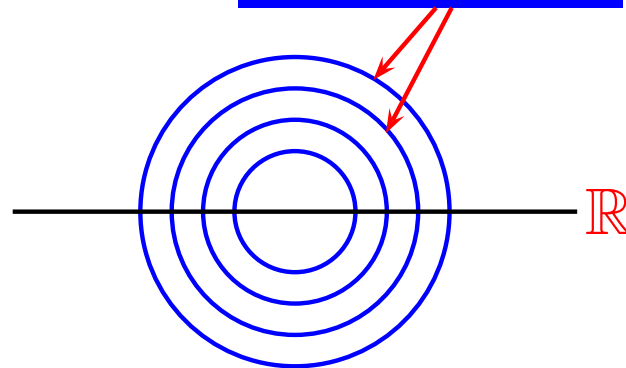


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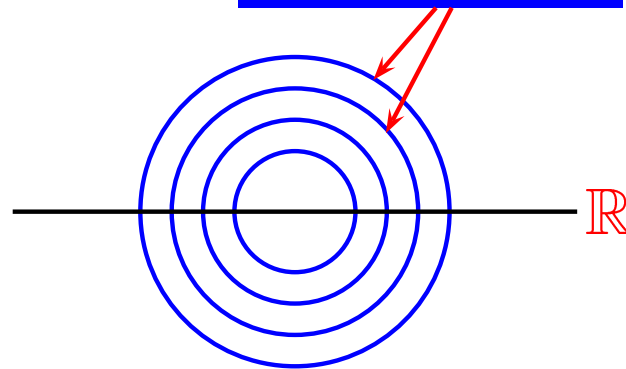


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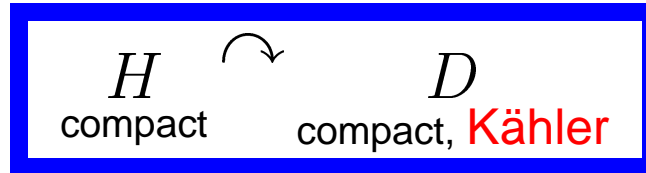
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Proposition (K–, Publ RIMS '04)

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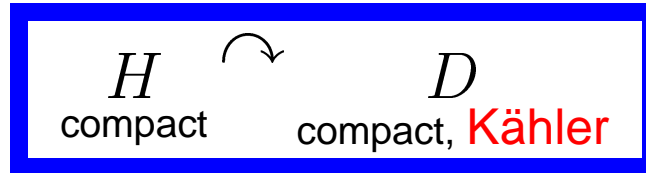
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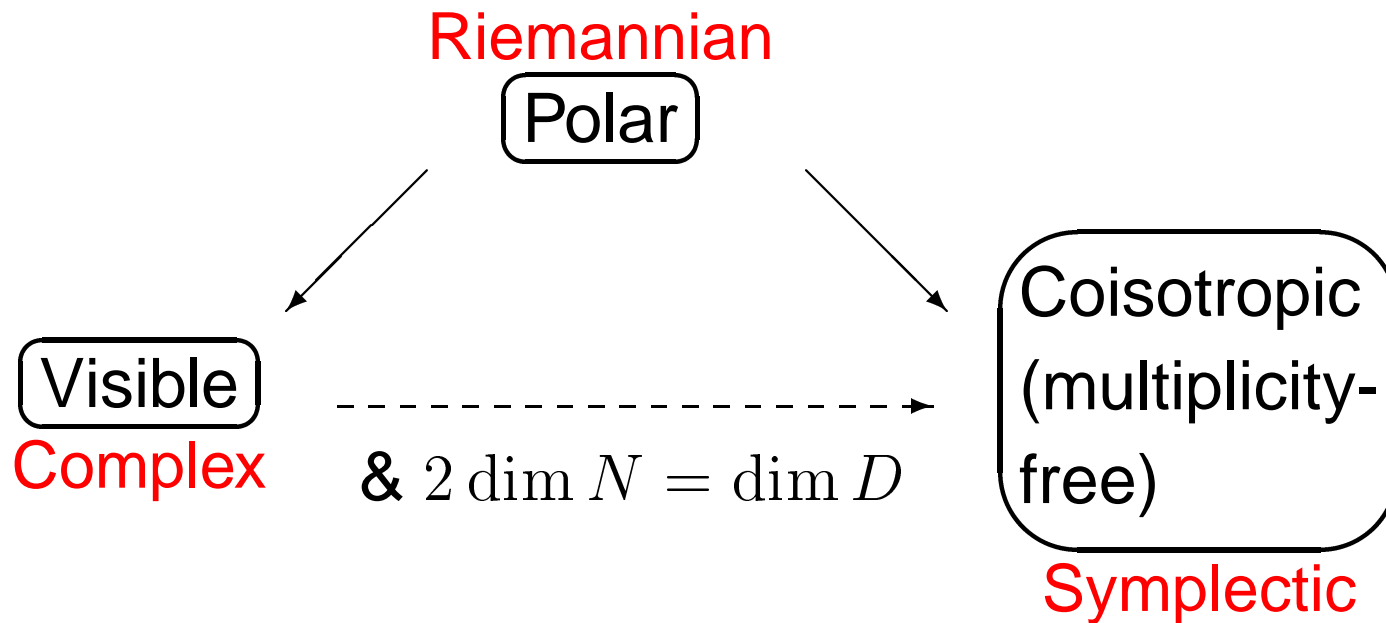
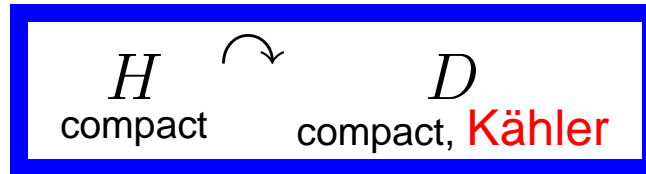
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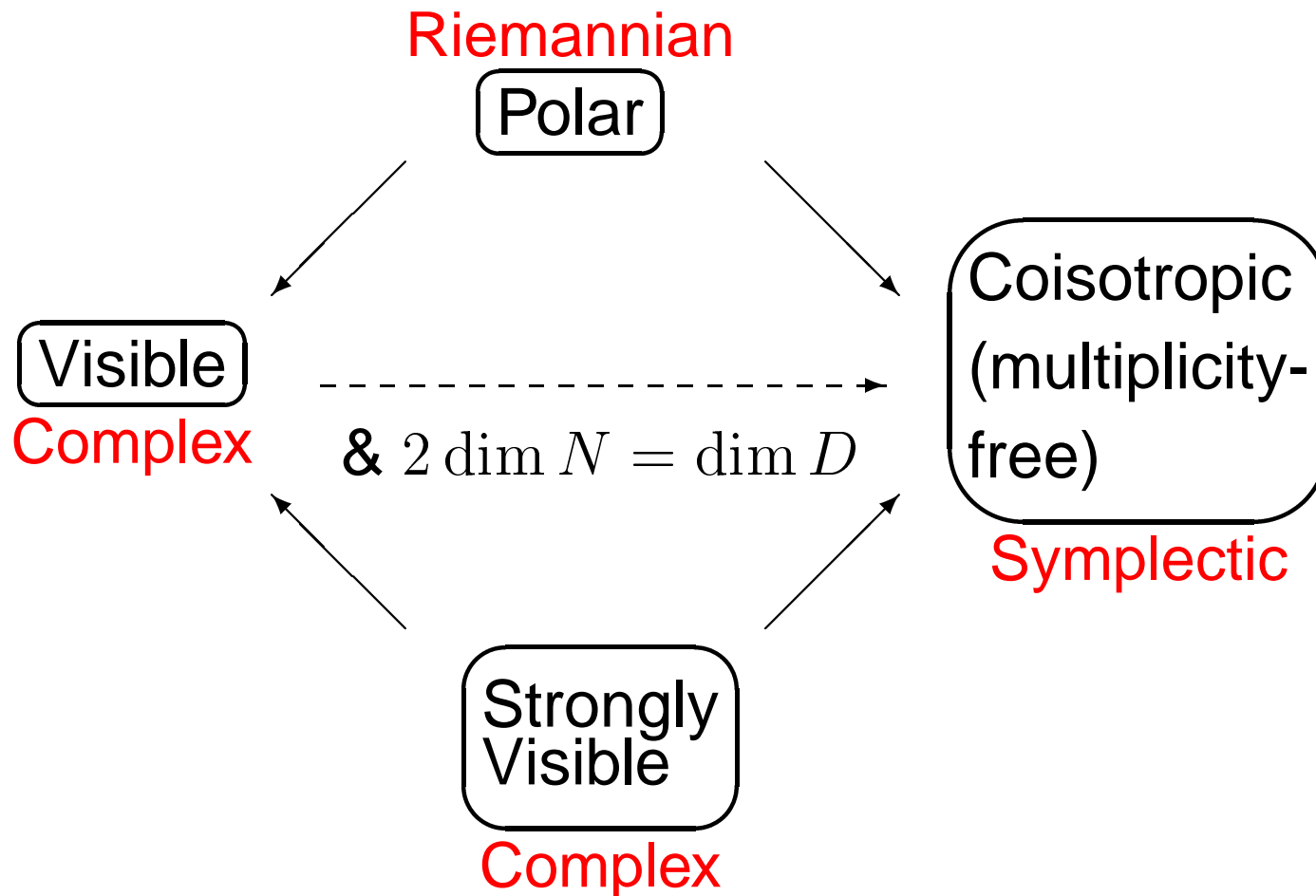
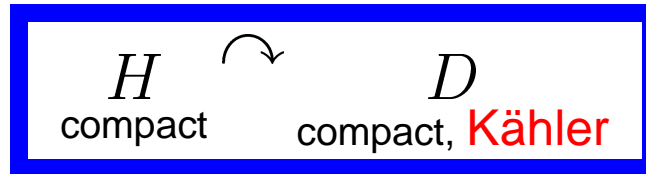
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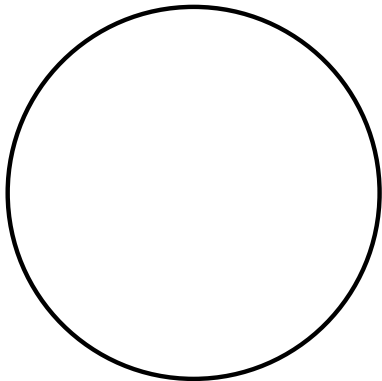
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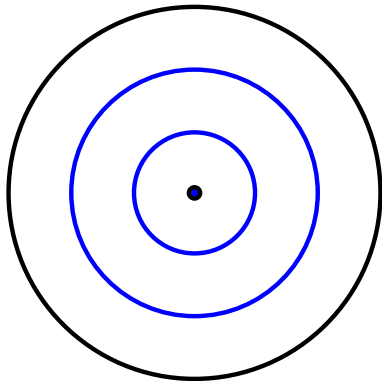
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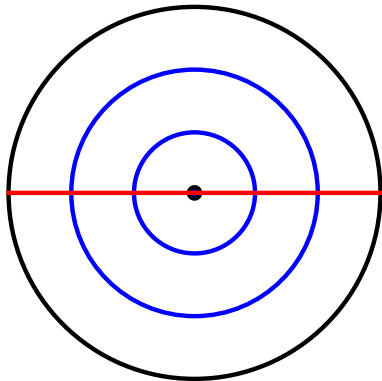


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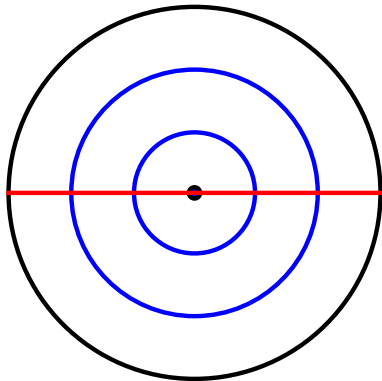


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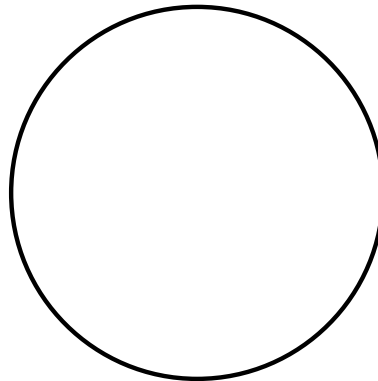
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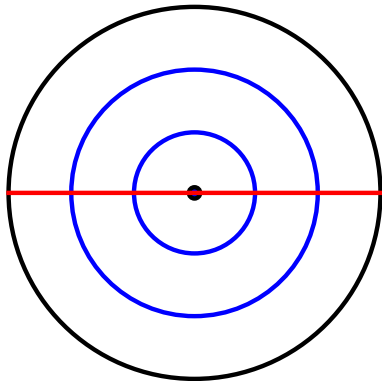
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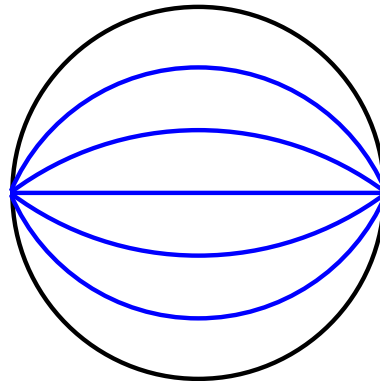
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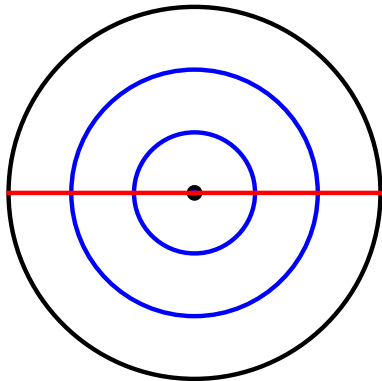


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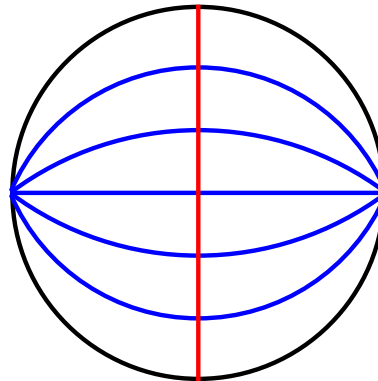
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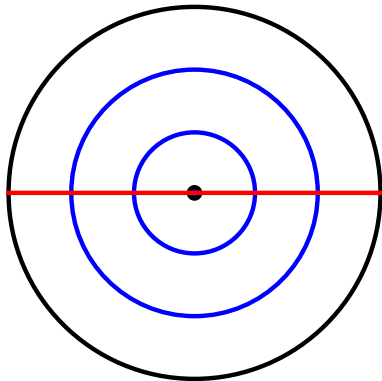


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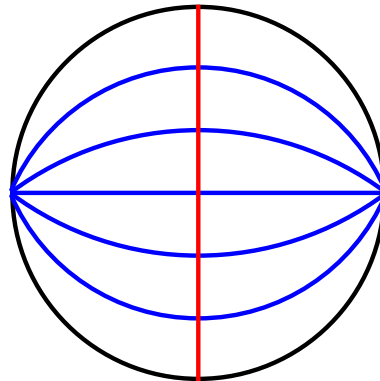
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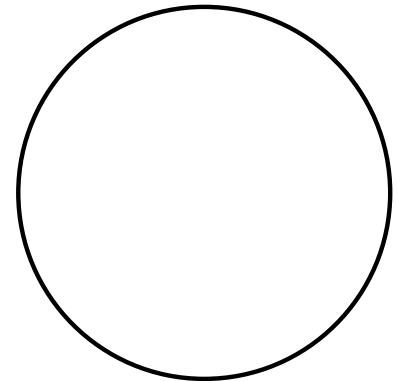
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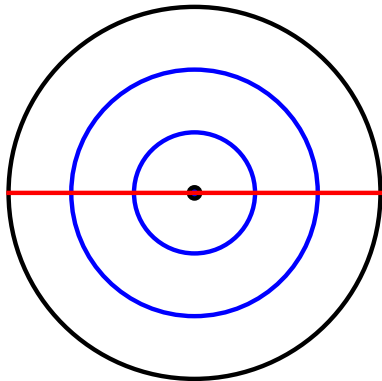
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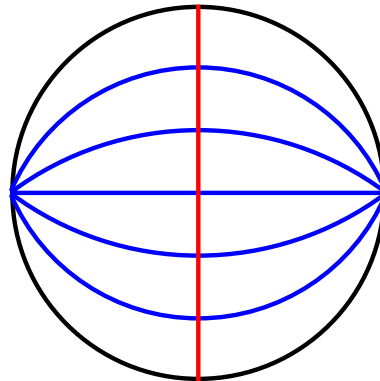
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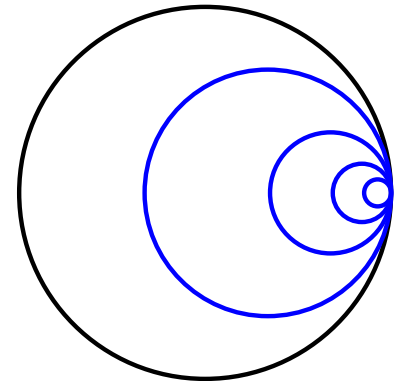
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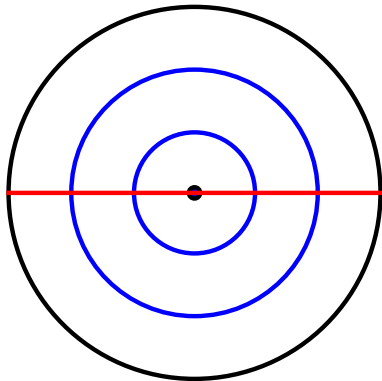


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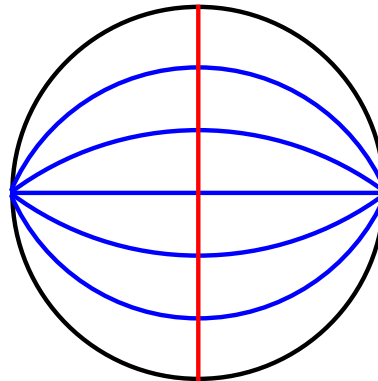
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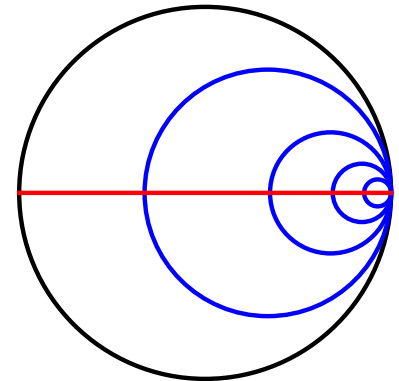
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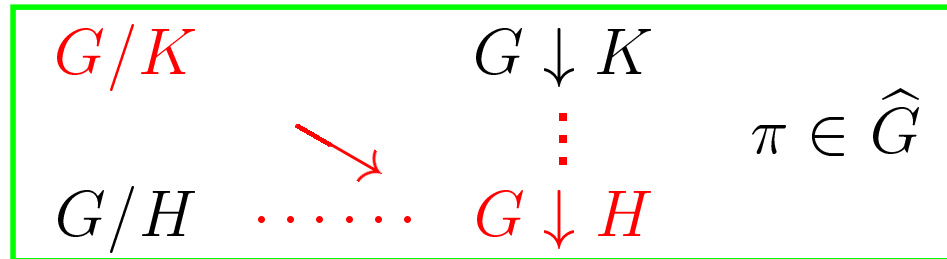
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Theorem B
Hua–Schmid–K–

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holomorphic $H = \begin{cases} Sp(p, \mathbb{R}) \times Sp(q, \mathbb{R}) \\ U(p, q) \\ U(n) (= K) \end{cases}$

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathfrak{t}^\tau & \subset & \mathfrak{t} \\ \text{Cartan} & \cap & \cap \text{ Cartan} \\ \mathfrak{k}^\tau & \subset & \mathfrak{k} \end{array}$$

$\{\nu_1, \dots, \nu_k\}$ maximal set of strongly orth. roots in $\Delta(\mathfrak{p}_+^{-\tau}, \mathfrak{t}^\tau)$

Note: $k = \mathbb{R}$ -rank G/H (cf. **Koranyi–Wolf**, $H = K$ case)

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$G = SU(2, 2) \dots$ Jakobsen–Vergne

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\Downarrow explicit formula \Downarrow

Cartan–Helgason
(G : compact)

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rank $\Lambda = \mathbb{R}$ -rank G

Theorem B
Hua–Schmid–K–

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uniform estimate of support
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(K-, Invent '94)

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existence/non-existence
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Then, ① \Rightarrow not ②

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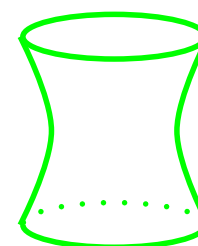
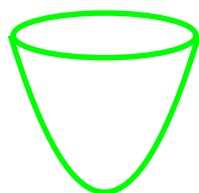
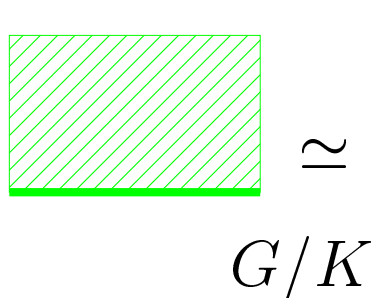
$$G = SL(2, \mathbb{R})$$

$$K = SO(2)$$

$$H = SO(1, 1)$$

$$\simeq S^1$$

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$$G/H$$

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$$\pi \in \widehat{SL(2, \mathbb{R})}$$



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Ex.2 G/H has holomorphic discrete series rep π
 (i.e. $\pi =$ highest wt rep occurring in $L^2(G/H)$)
 $\iff H/H \cap K \subset G/K$ totally real.

Proof \iff Construction (Ólafsson–Ørsted ’88, K-)
 \implies Use Thm C.

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(Matsushima–Murakami, Borel–Wallach, Parthasarathy, Vogan–Zuckerman)

- ① \Rightarrow non-vanishing type thm (Tong–Wang '89, Speh '07)
- \Updownarrow Exclusive Law (Thm C)
- ② \Rightarrow vanishing type thm (K–Oda)

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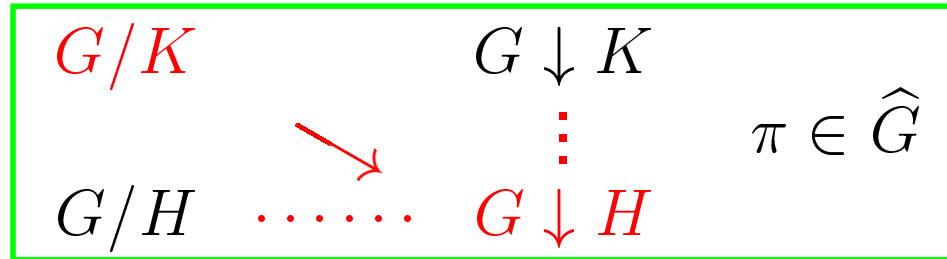
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