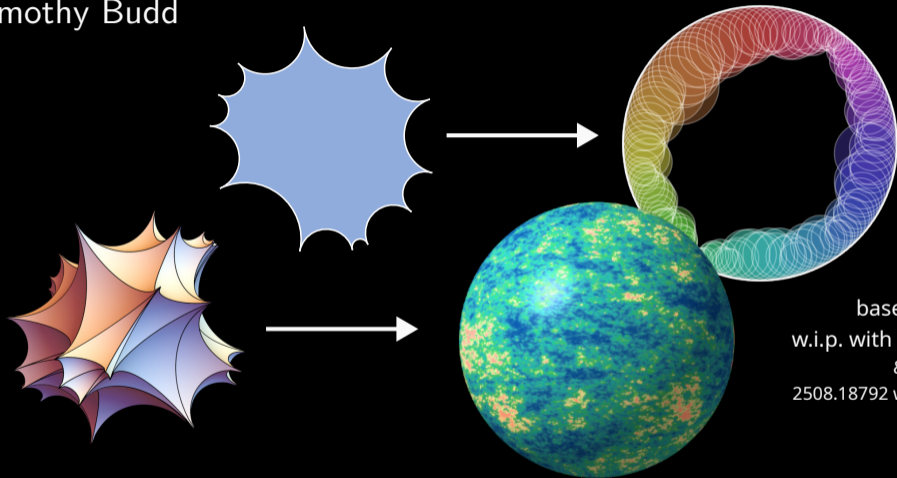


# Random hyperbolic geometry and Schwarzian field theory

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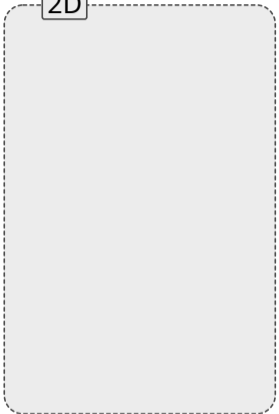
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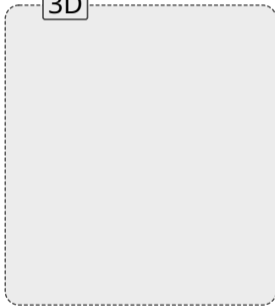
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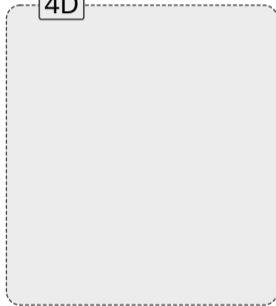
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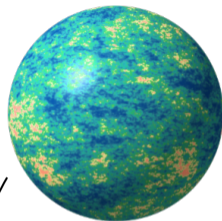
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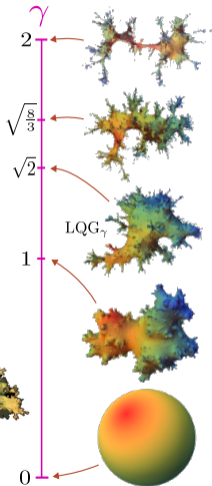
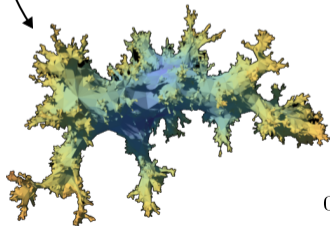
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[Polyakov, Zamolodchikov, David, ..., '80s][Duplantier, Sheffield, Miller, Vargas, Rhodes, Kupiainen, Guillarmou, Gwynne, Holden, Sun, ..., '16-'26]

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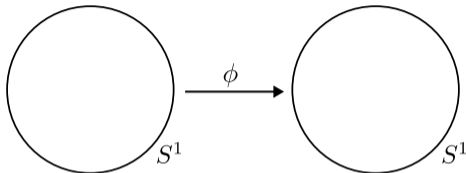
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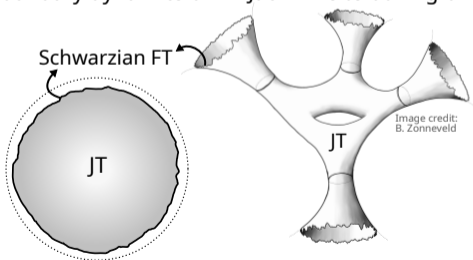
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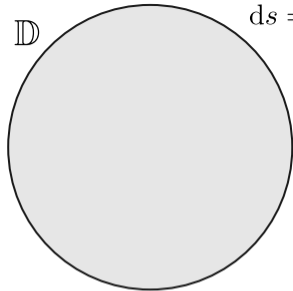
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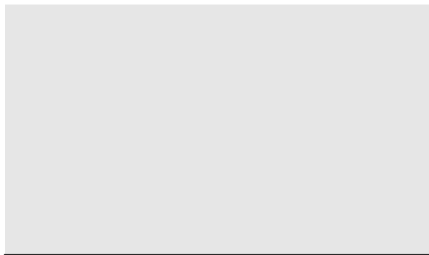
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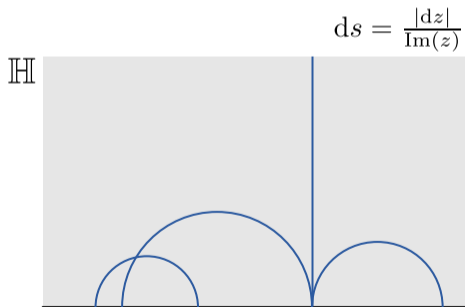
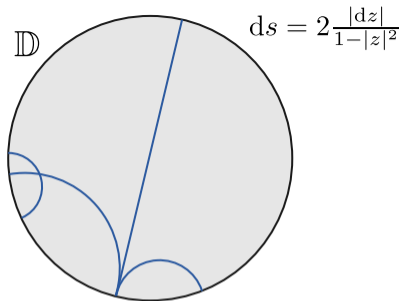
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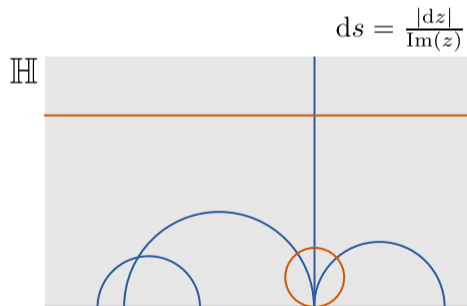
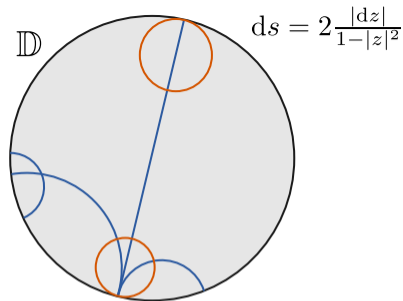
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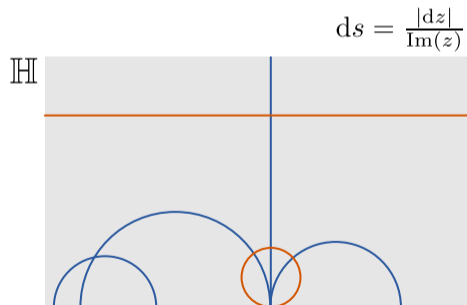
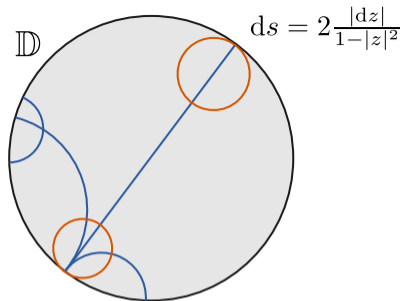
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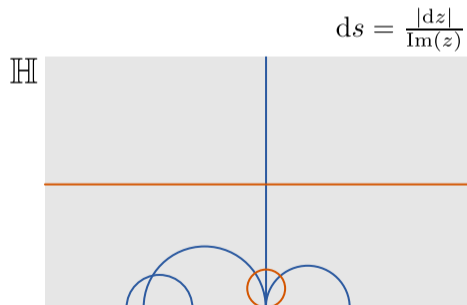
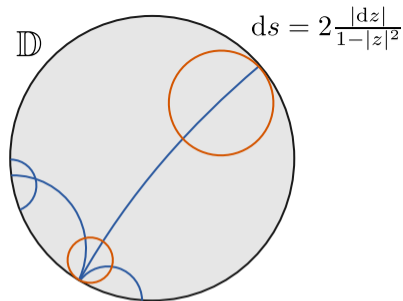
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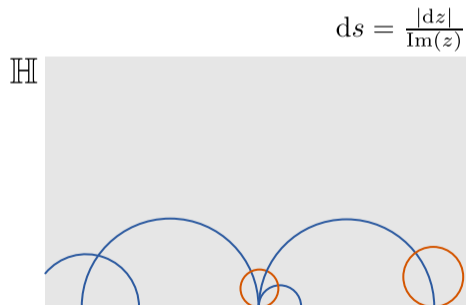
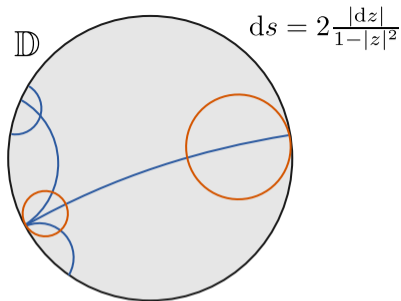
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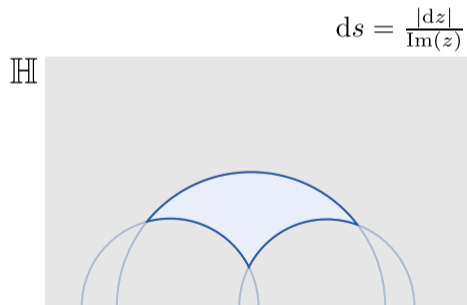
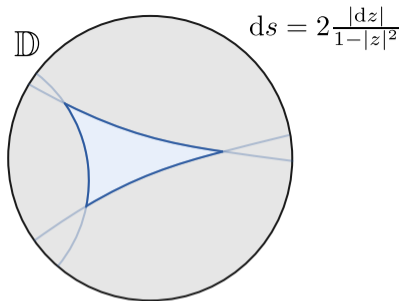
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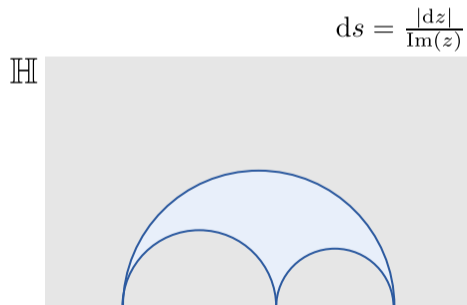
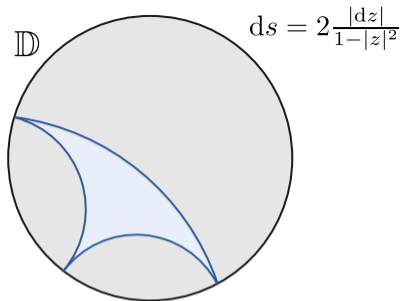


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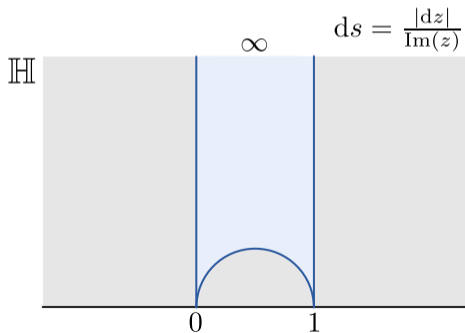
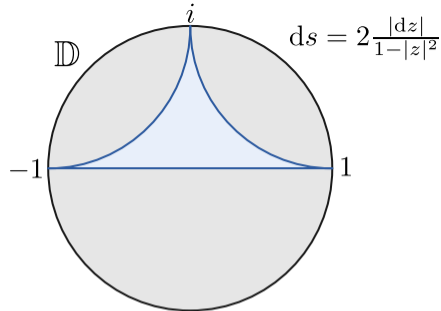
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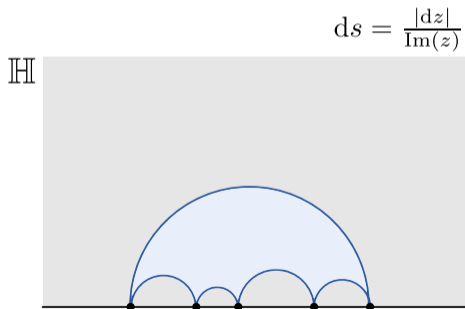
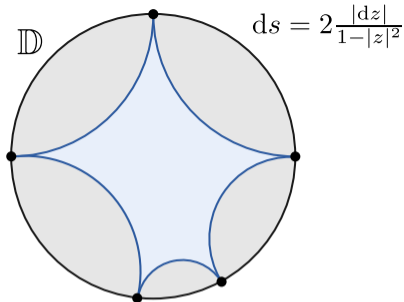
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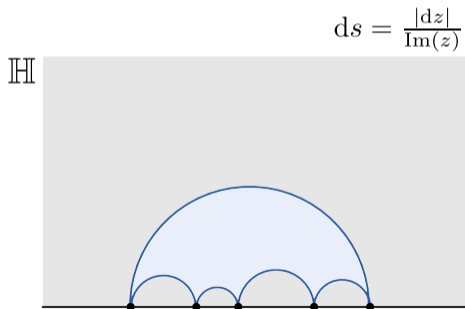
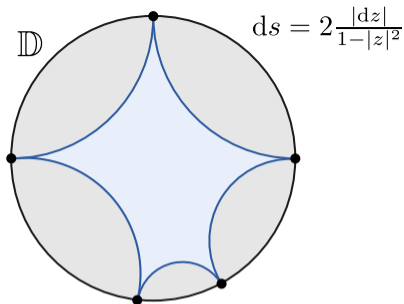
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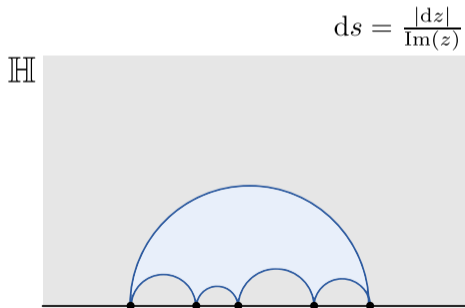
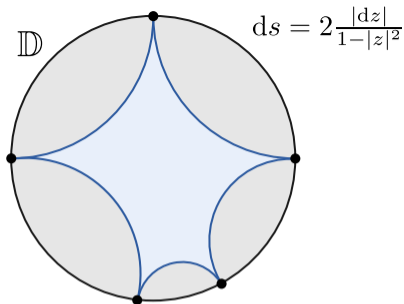
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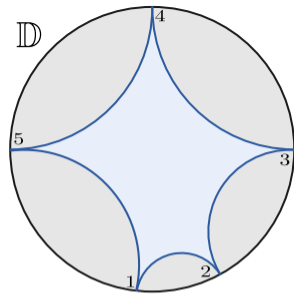
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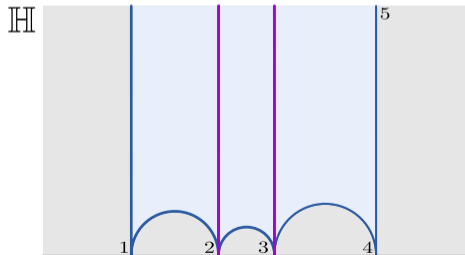
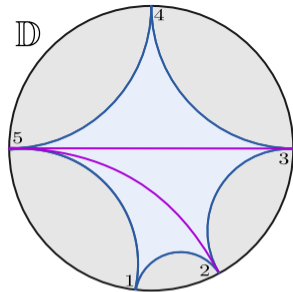


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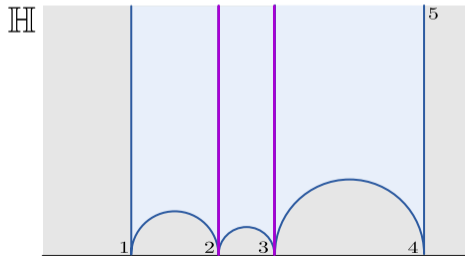
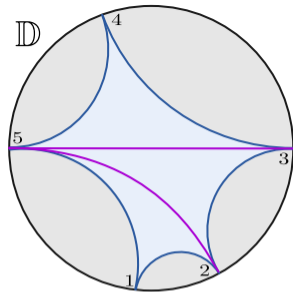
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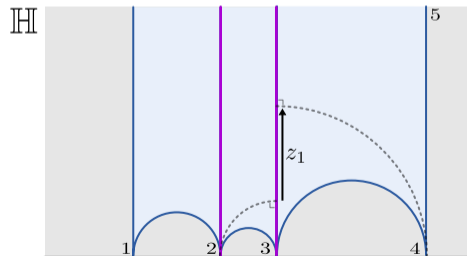
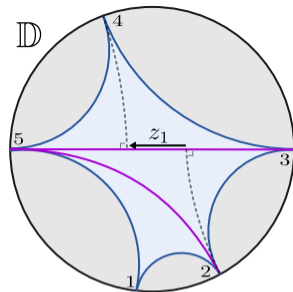
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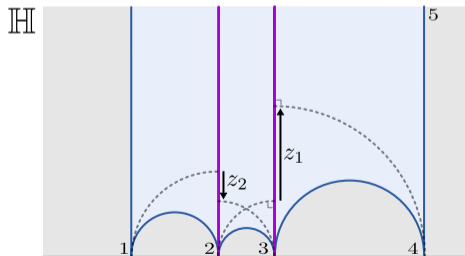
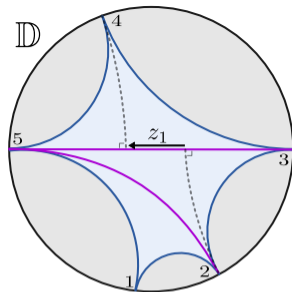
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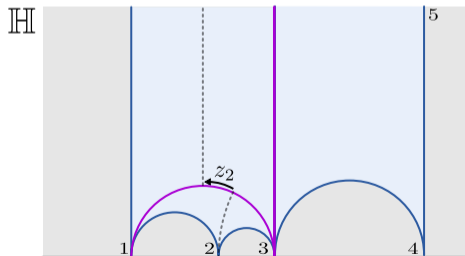
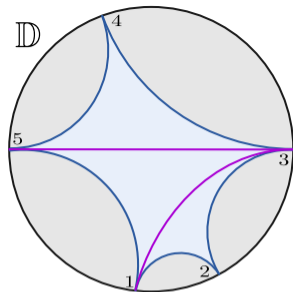
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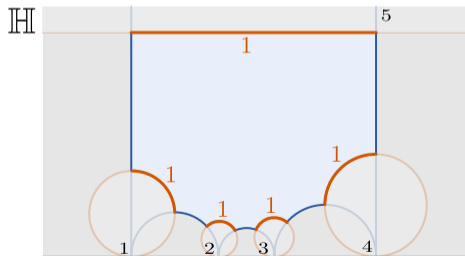
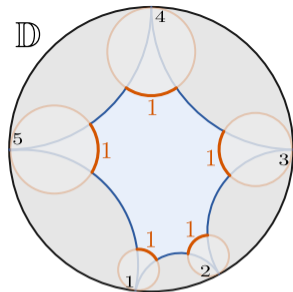
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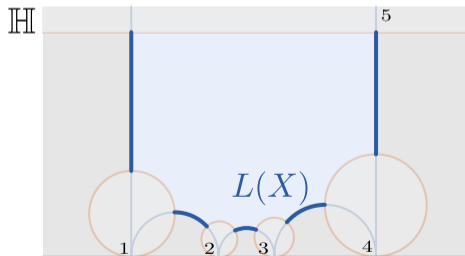
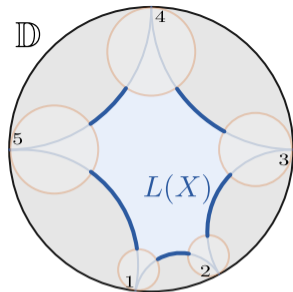
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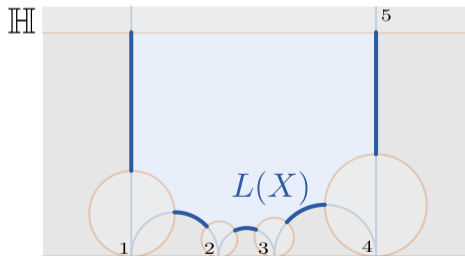
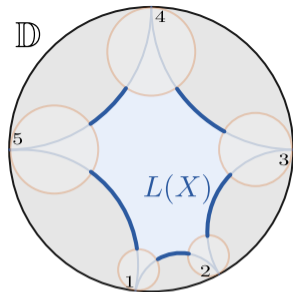
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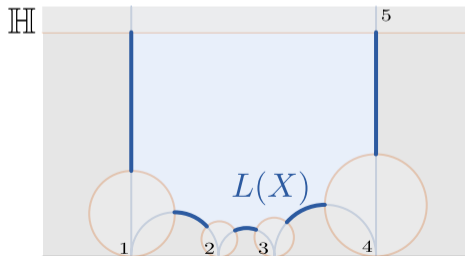
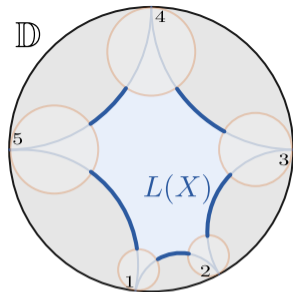
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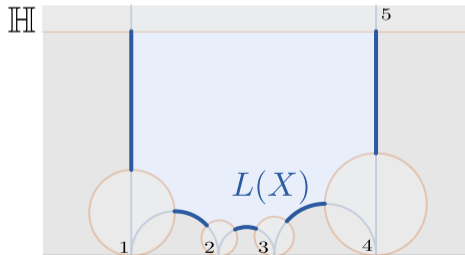
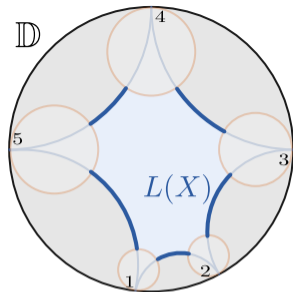
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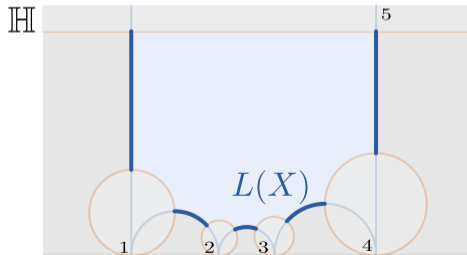
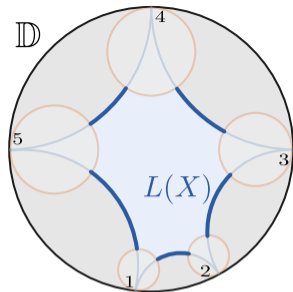
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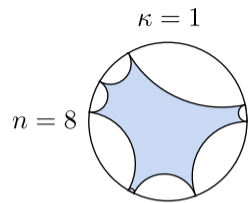
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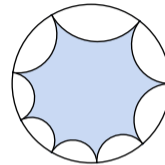
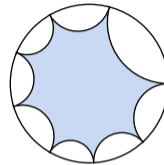
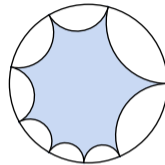
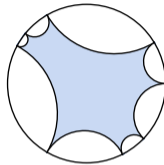
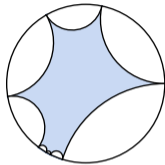
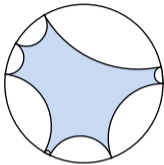
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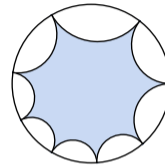
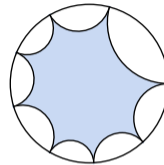
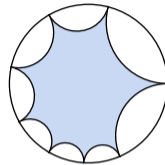
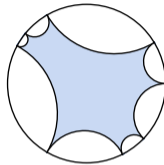
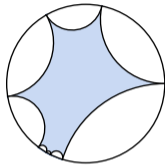
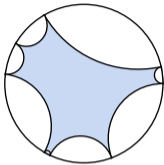
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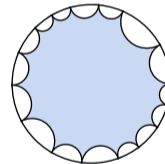
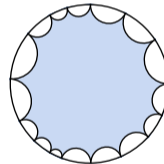
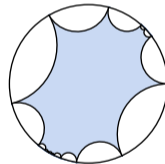
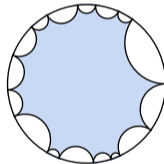
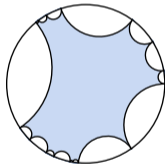
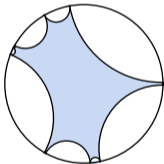
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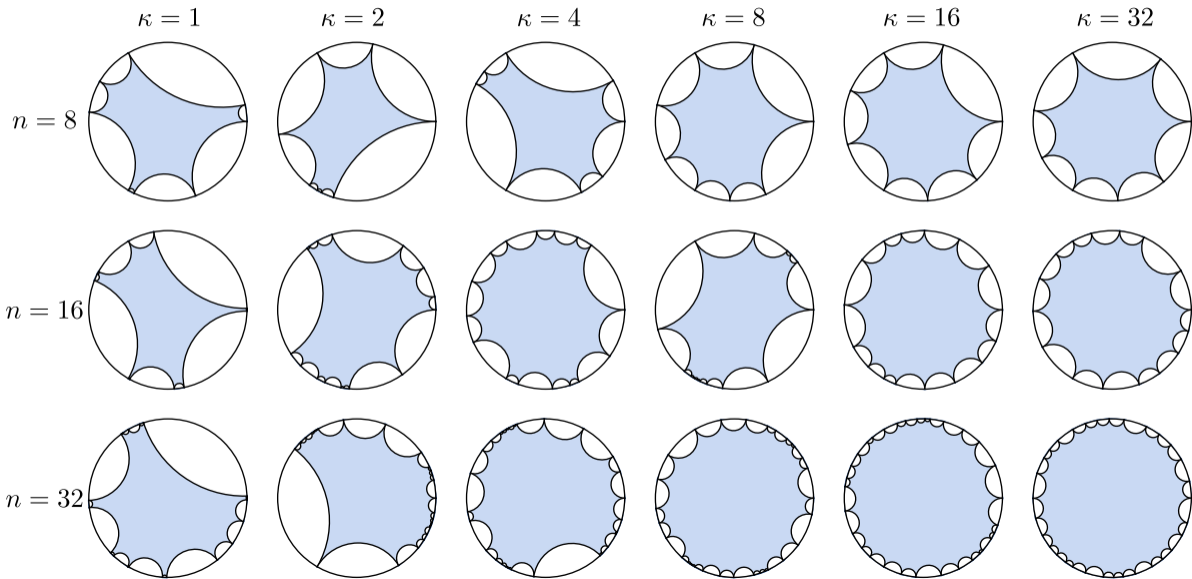
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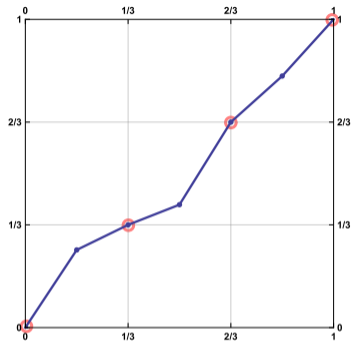
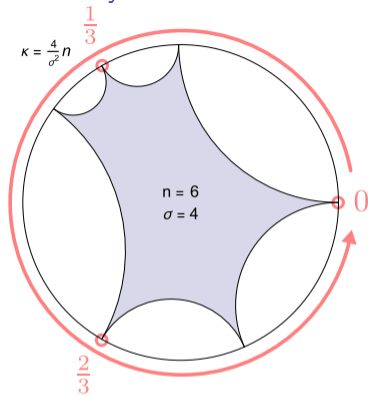
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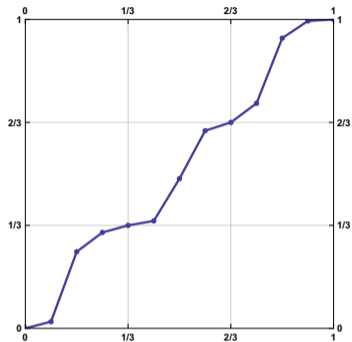
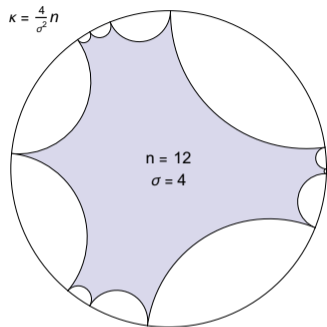
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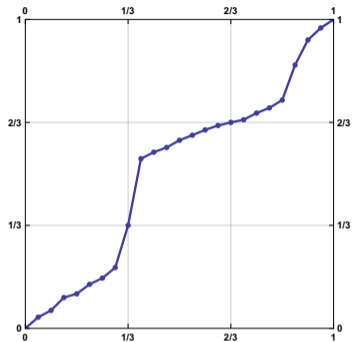
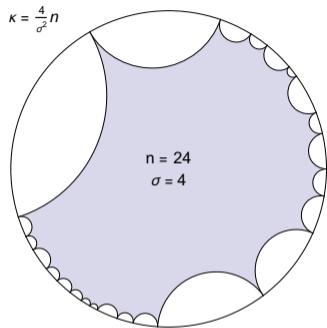
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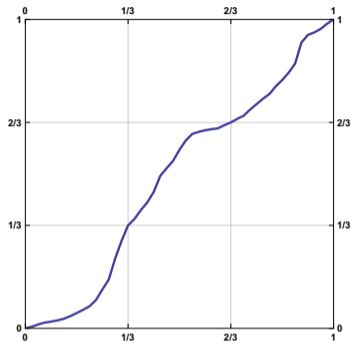
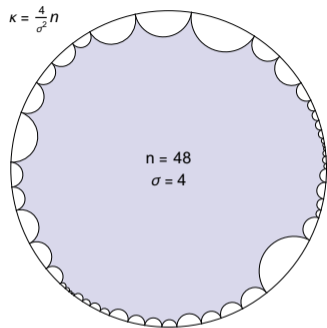
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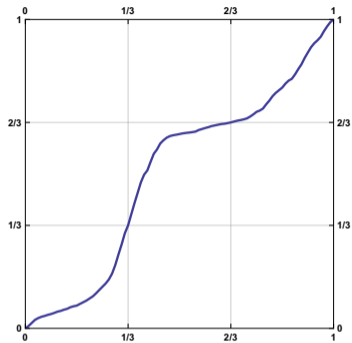
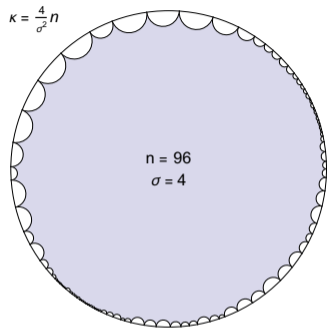
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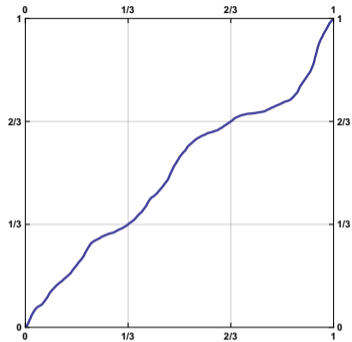
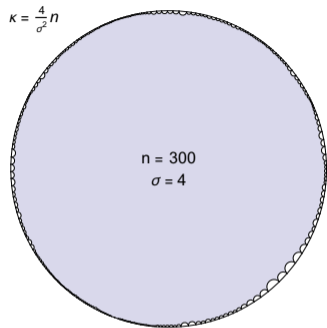
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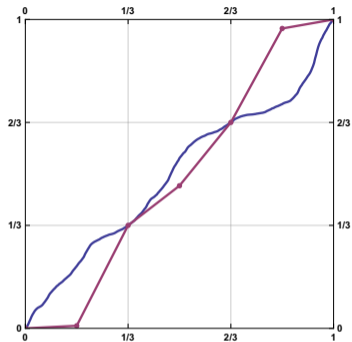
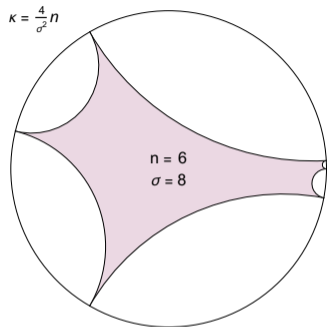
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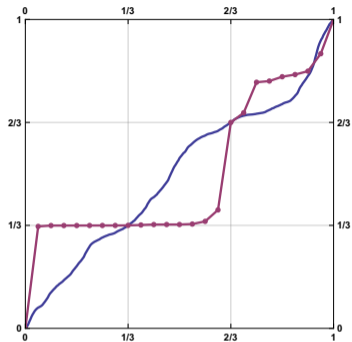
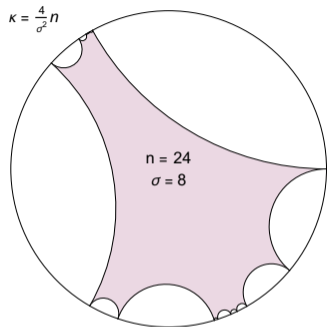
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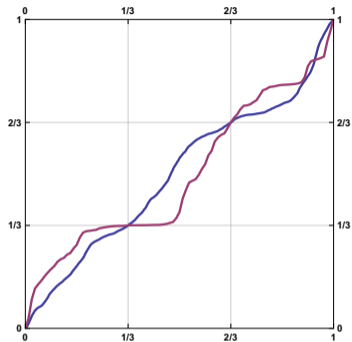
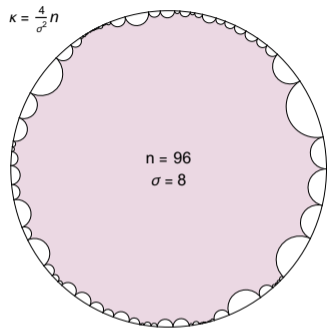
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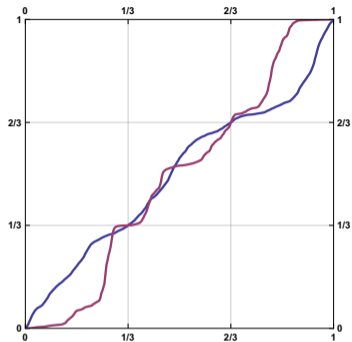
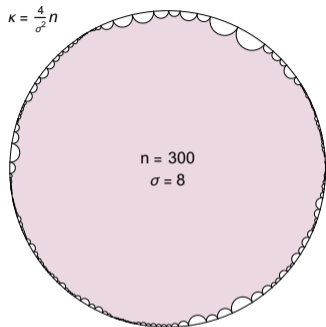
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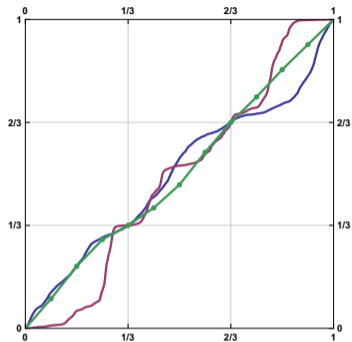
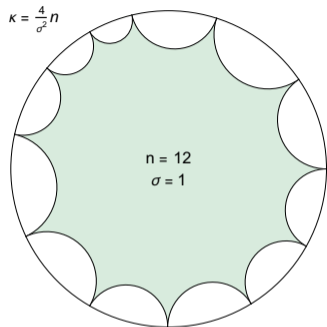
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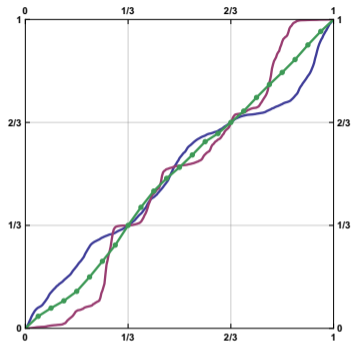
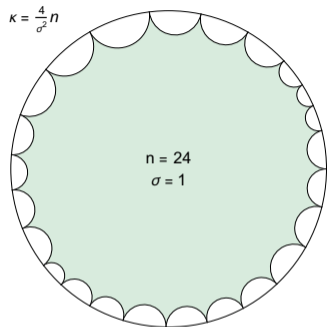
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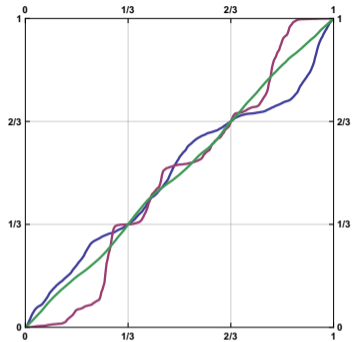
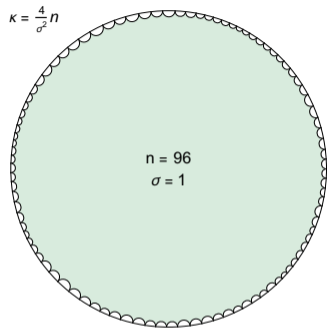
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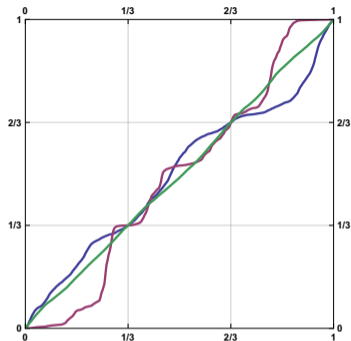
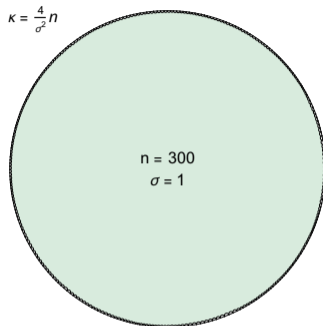
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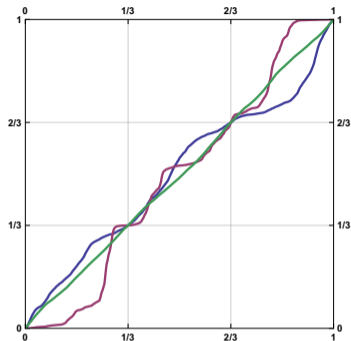
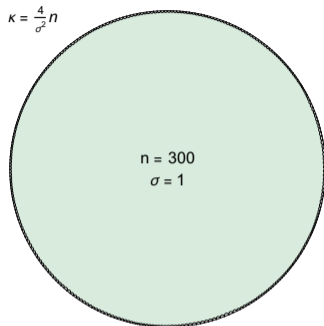
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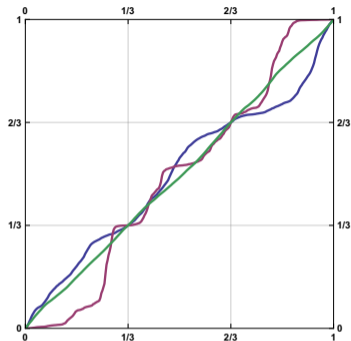
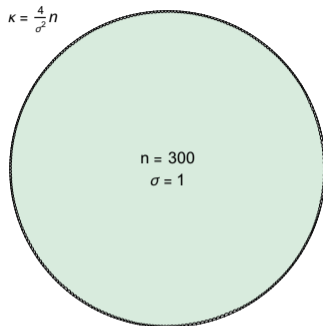


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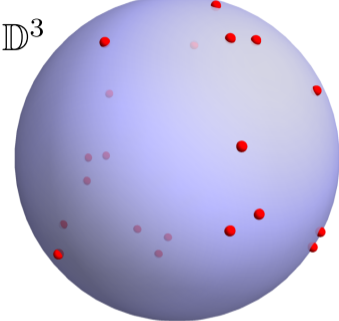
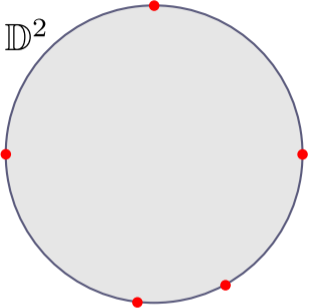


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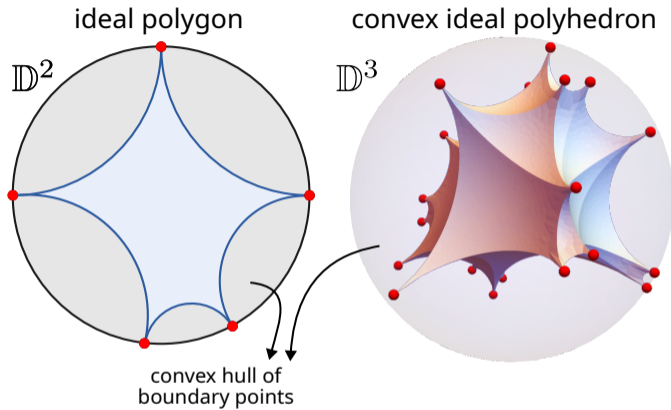
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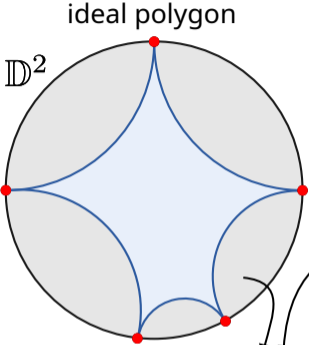
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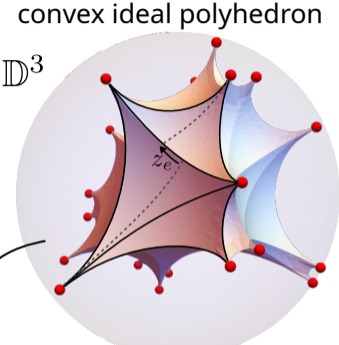
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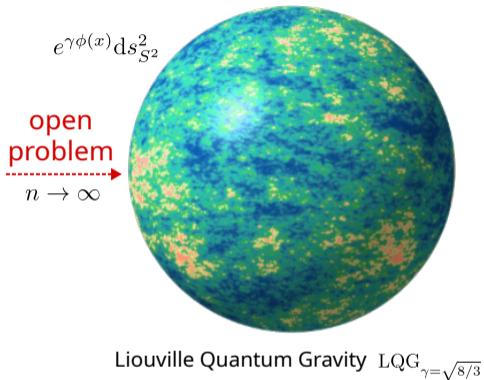
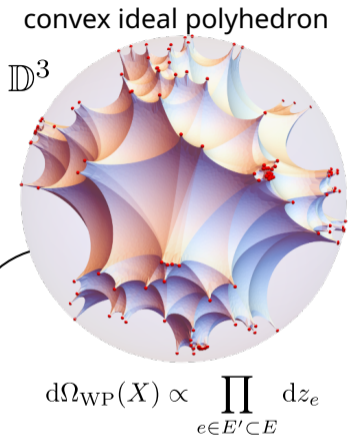
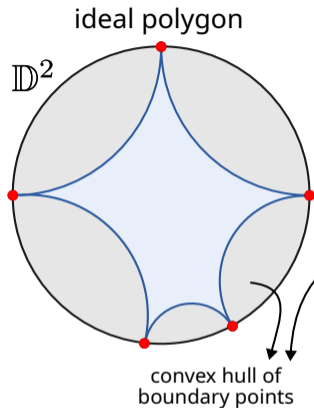


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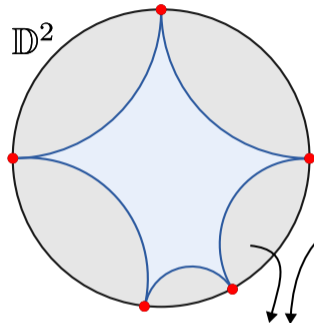
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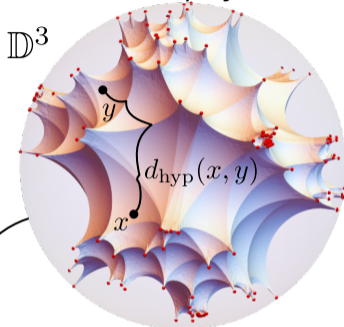
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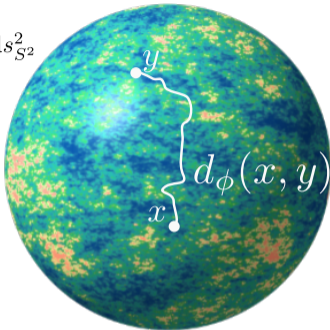
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open problem

$n \rightarrow \infty$



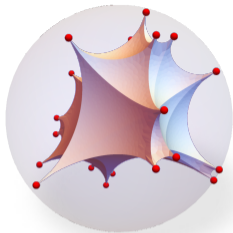
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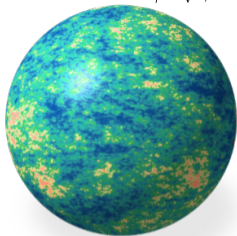
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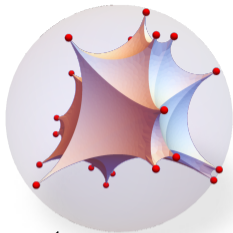
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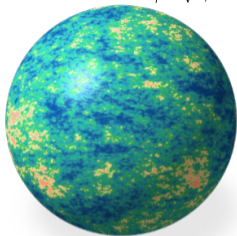
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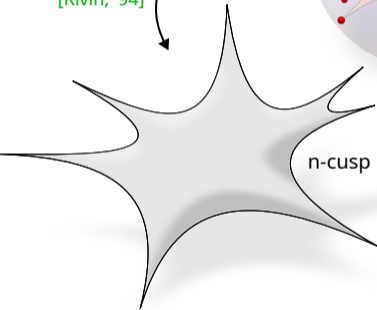


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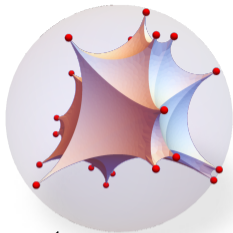
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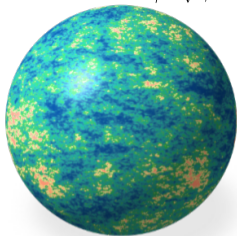
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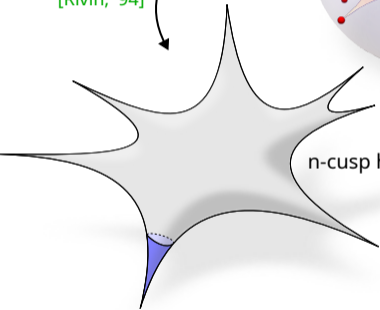


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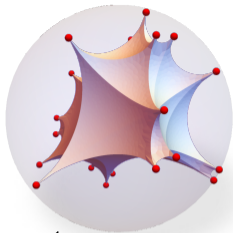
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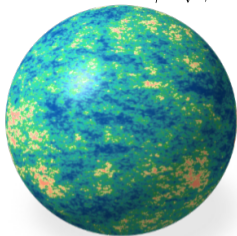
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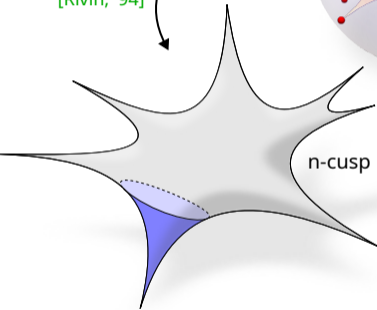


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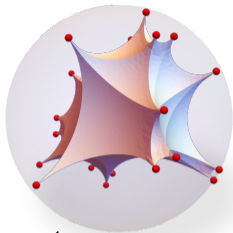
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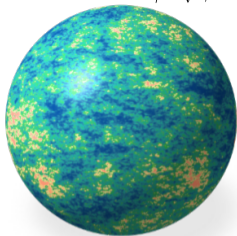
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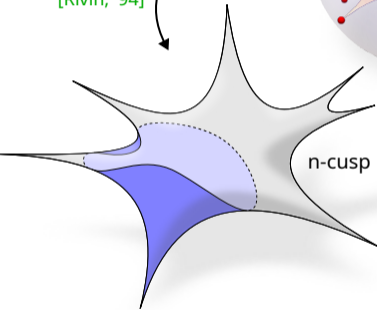


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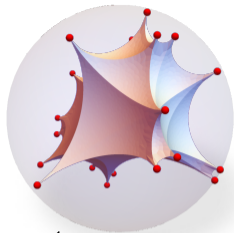
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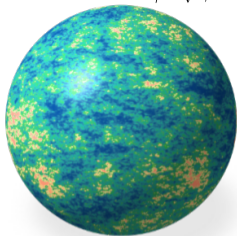
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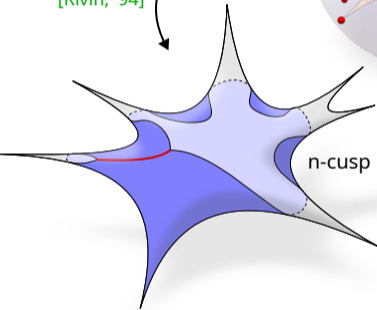


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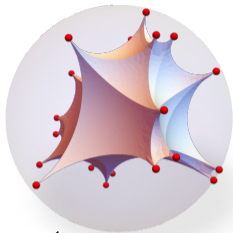
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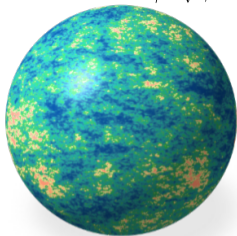
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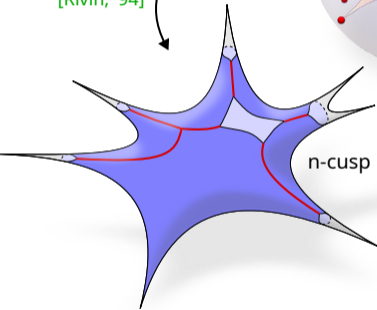


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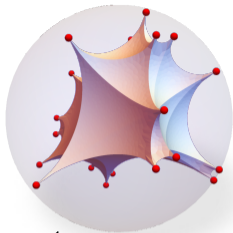
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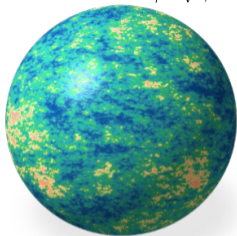
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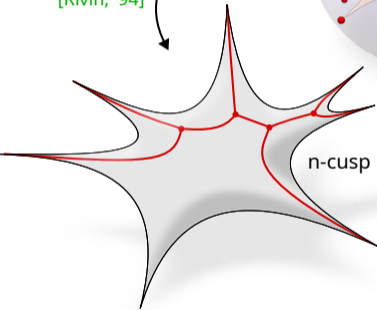


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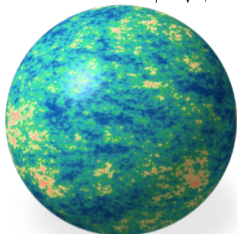
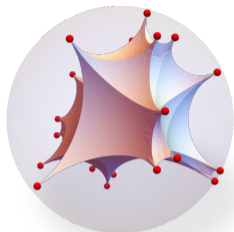
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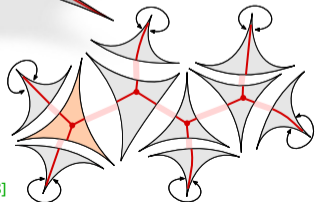
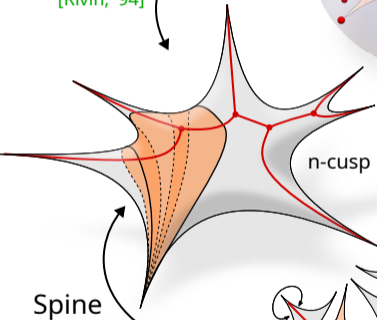
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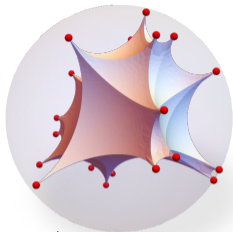
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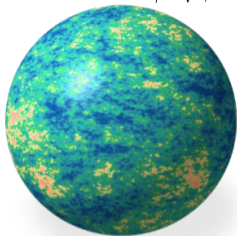
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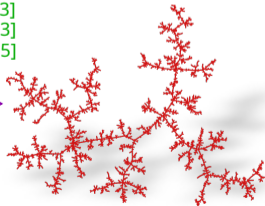
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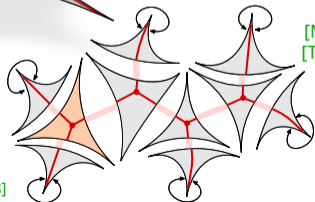
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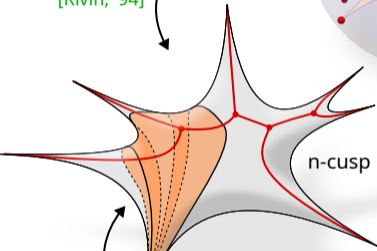


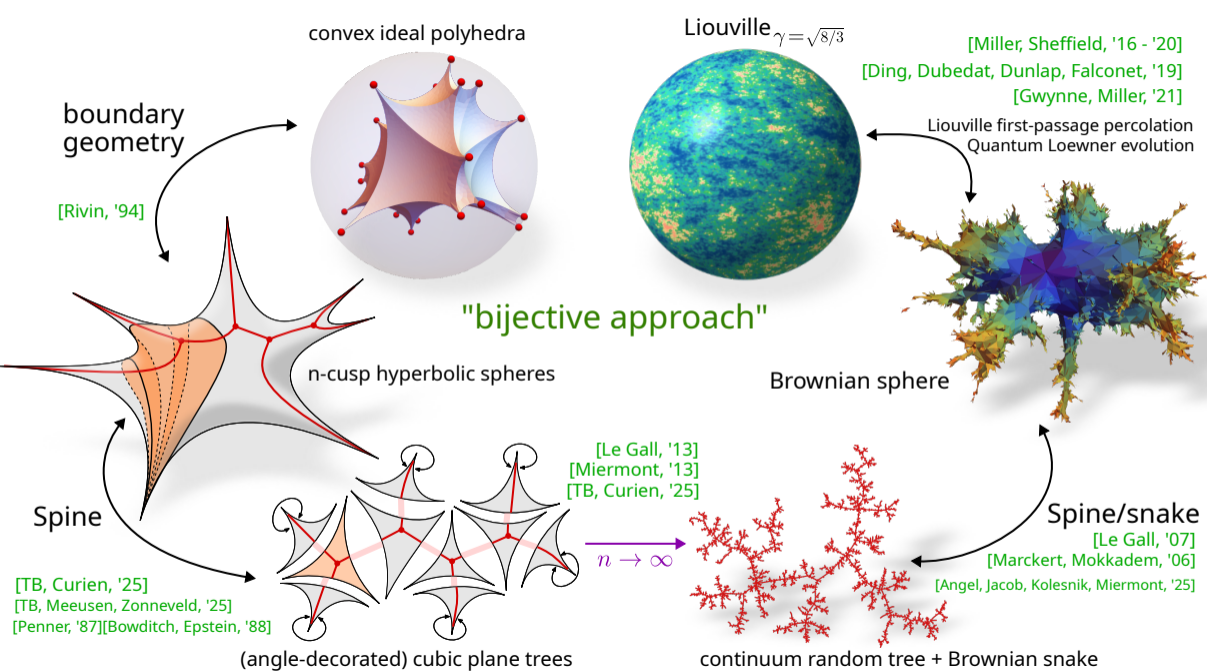
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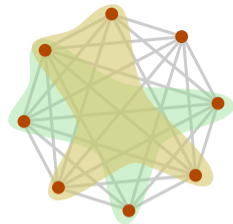
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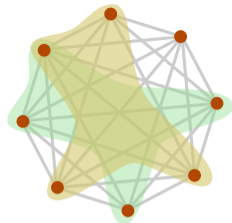
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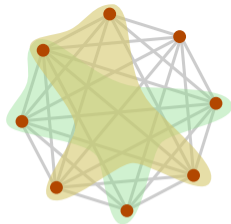
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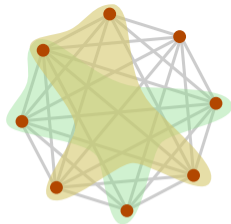
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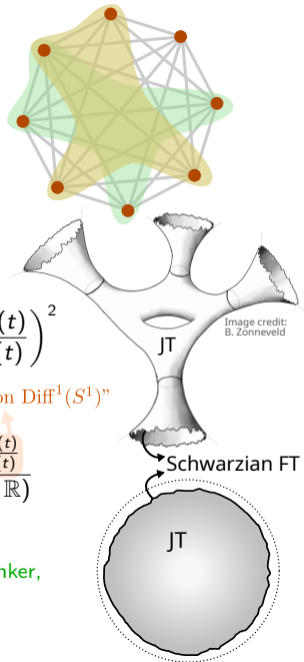
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[Blommaert, Mertens, Verschelde, '18][Iliesiu, Pufu, Verlinde, Wang, '19][Saad, Shenker, Stanford, '19]



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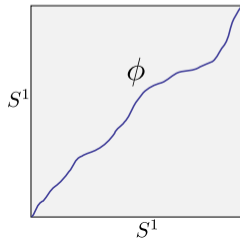
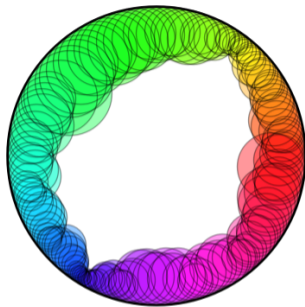
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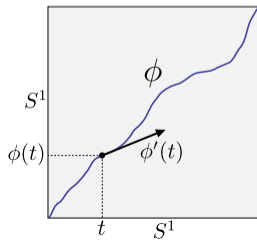
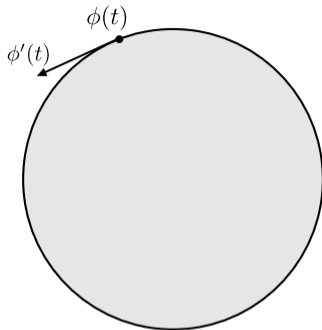
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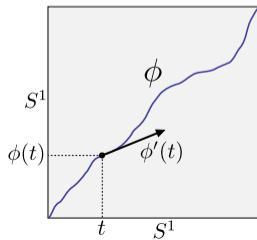
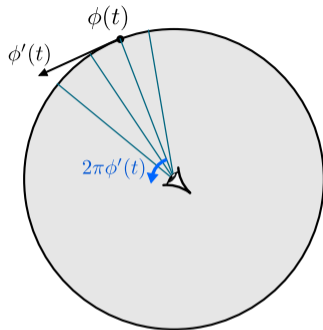
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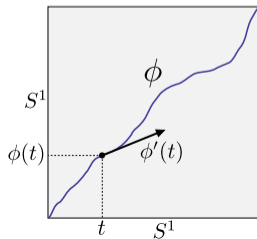
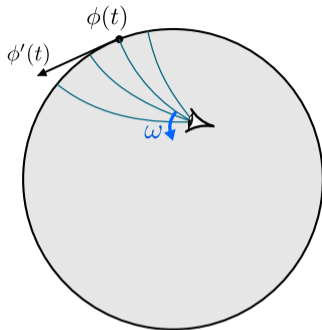
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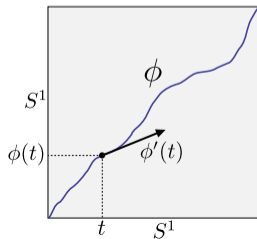
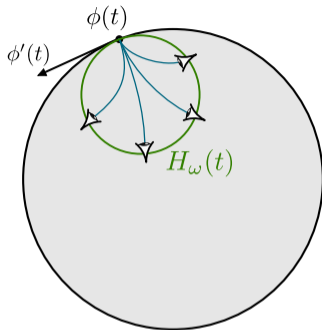


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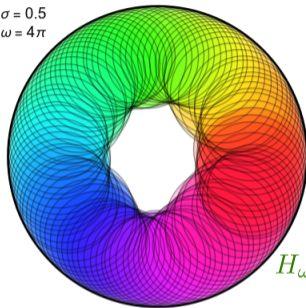
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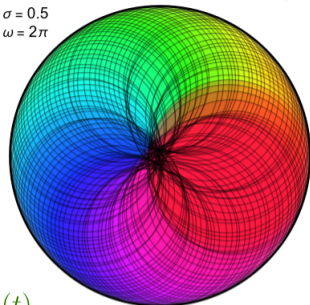
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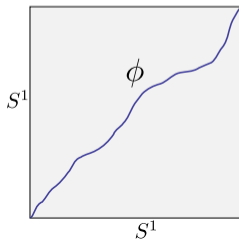
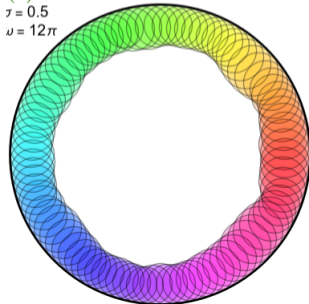


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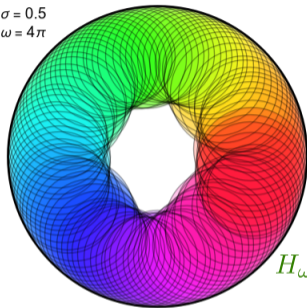
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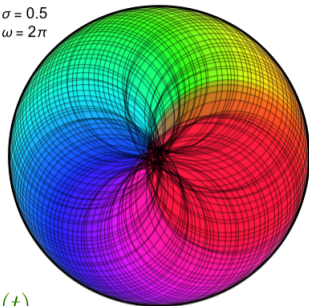
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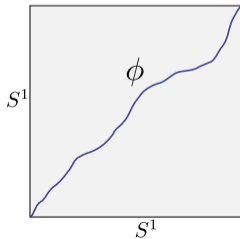
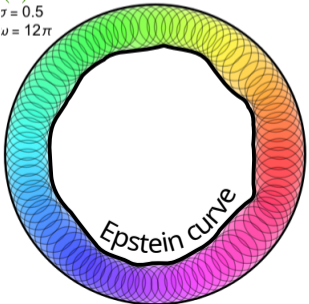


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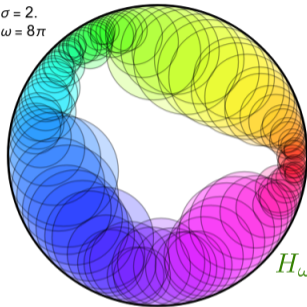
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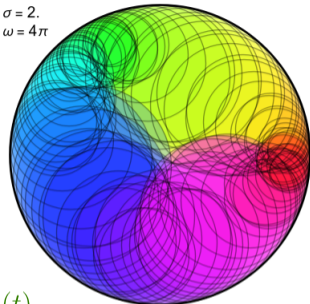
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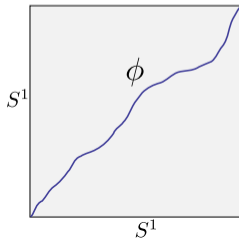
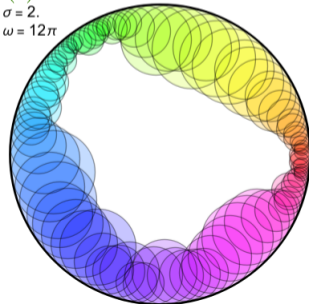


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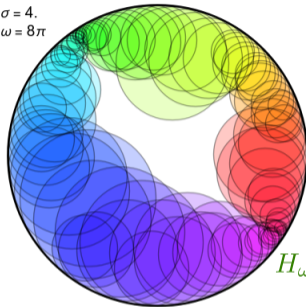
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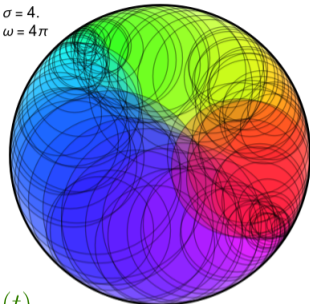
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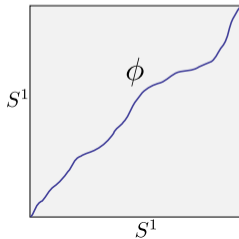
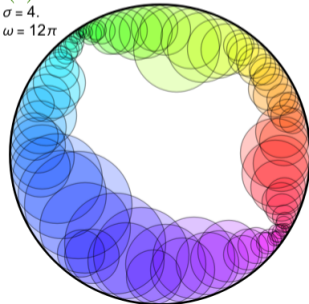


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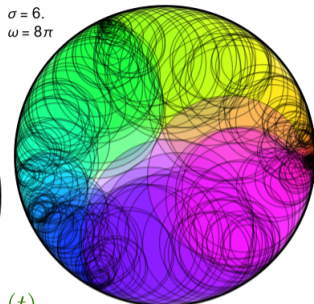
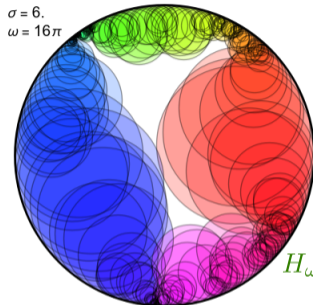
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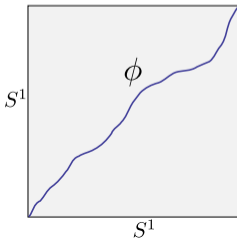
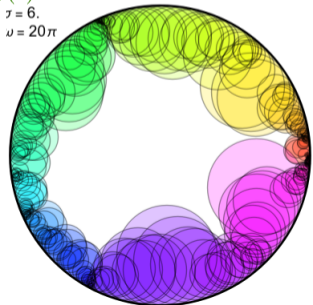
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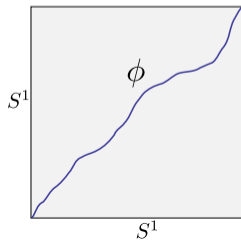
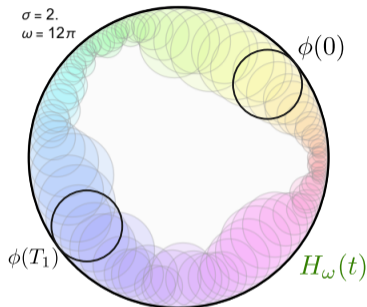
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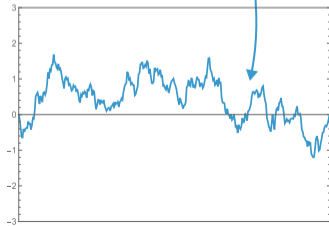
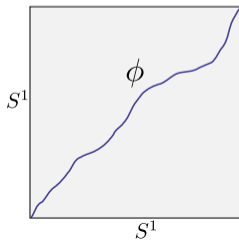
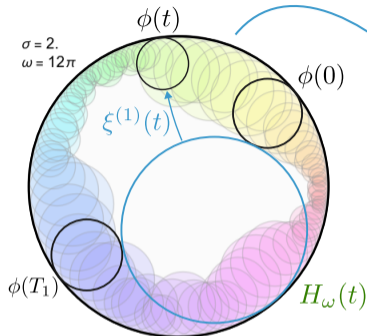
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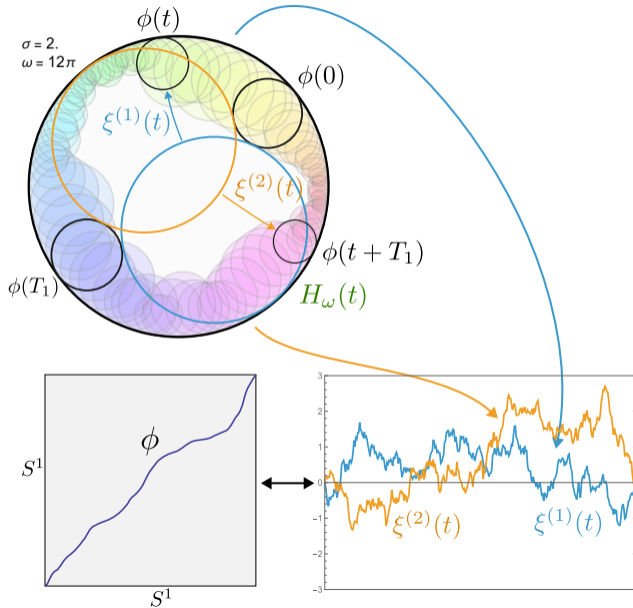
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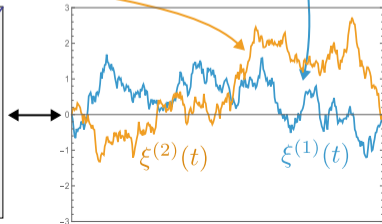
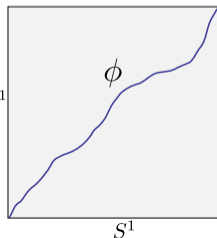
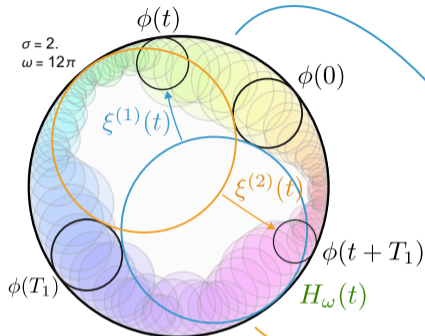
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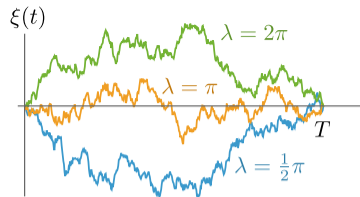
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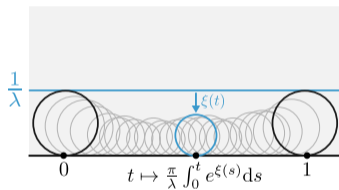
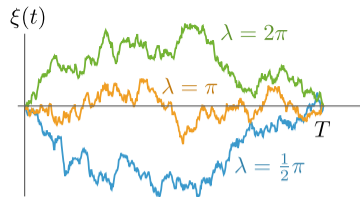
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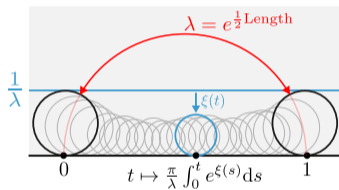
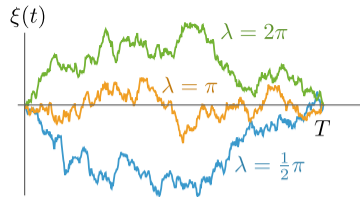
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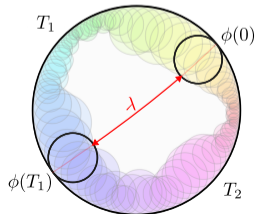
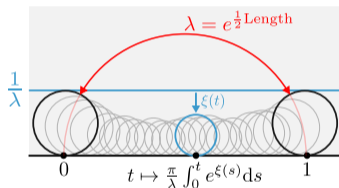
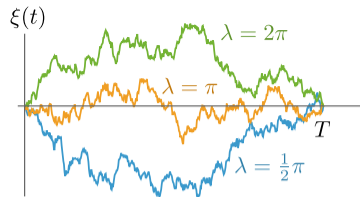
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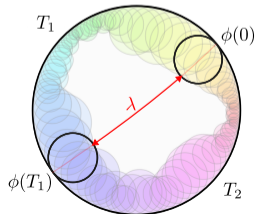
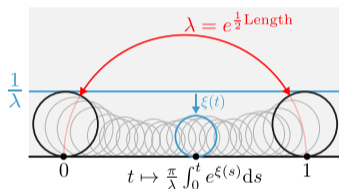
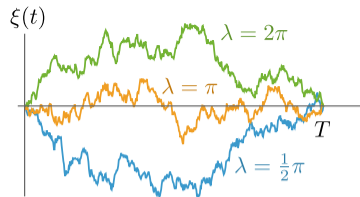
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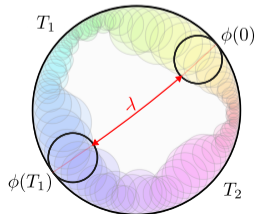
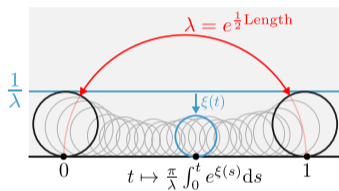
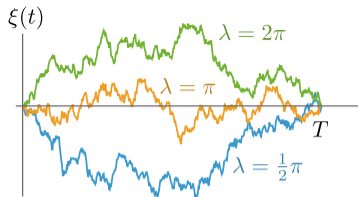
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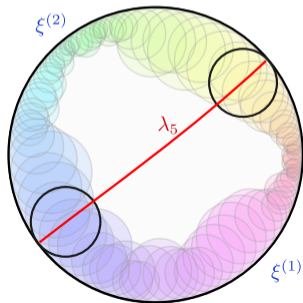
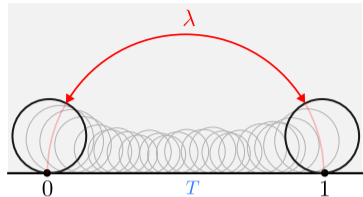
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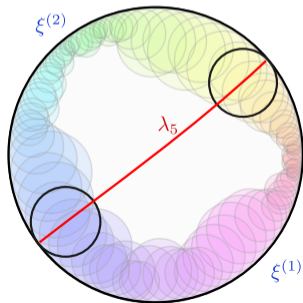
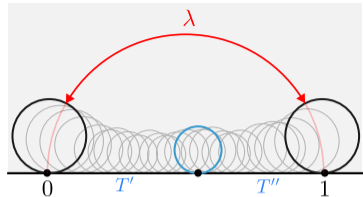
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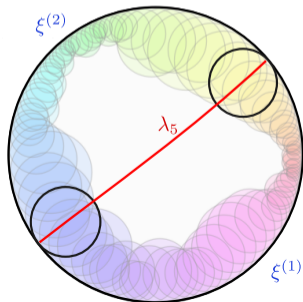
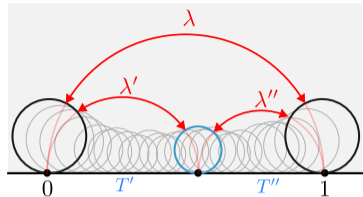
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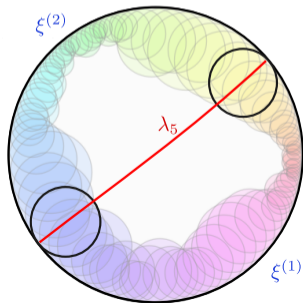
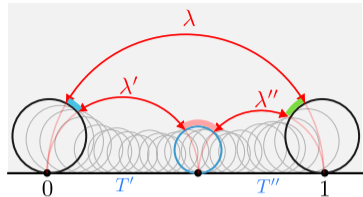


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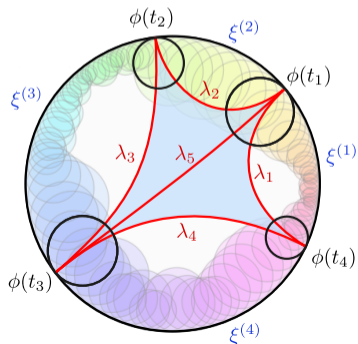
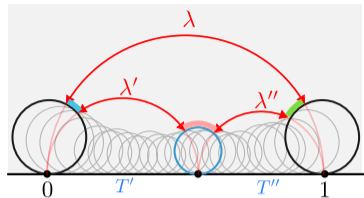
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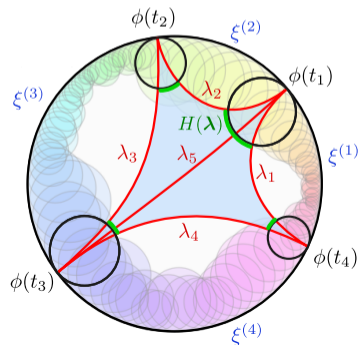
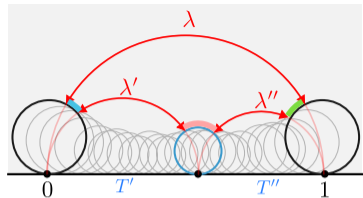
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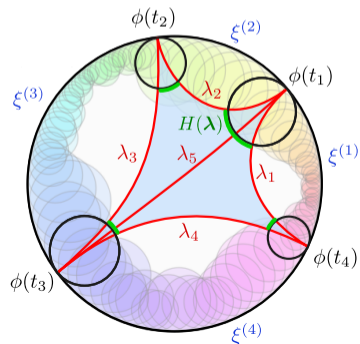
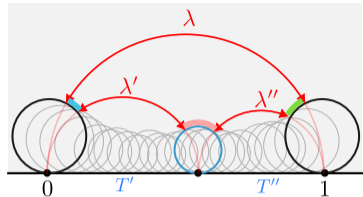
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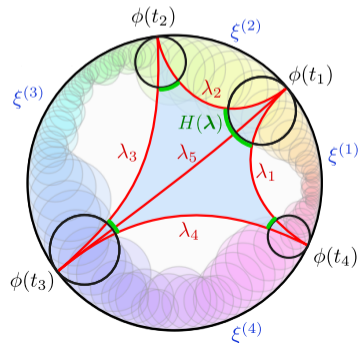
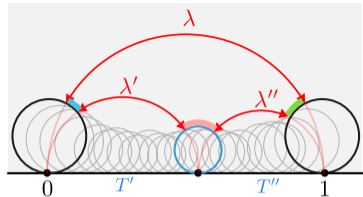
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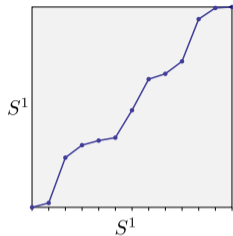
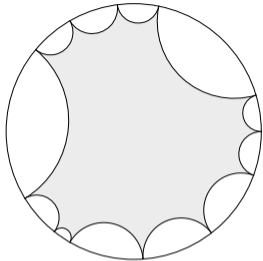
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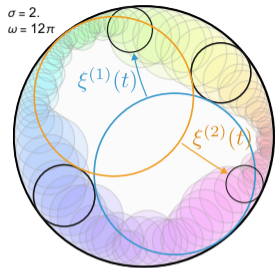
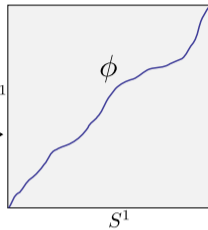
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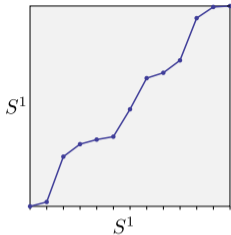
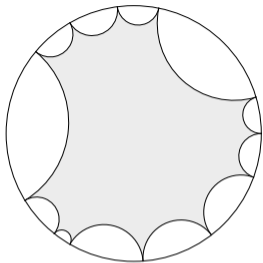


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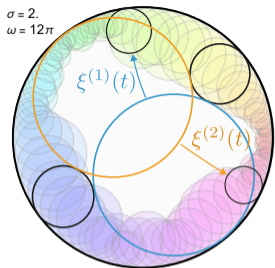
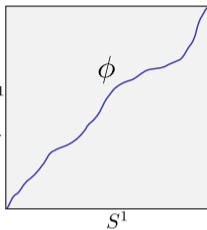
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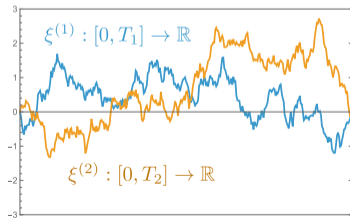
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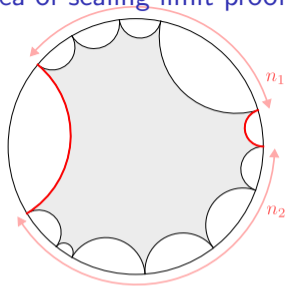
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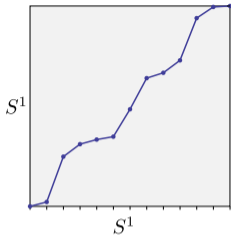


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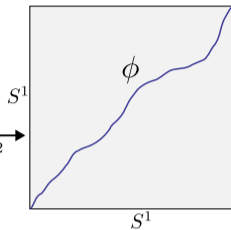
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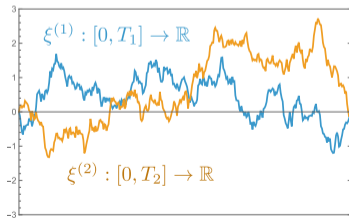
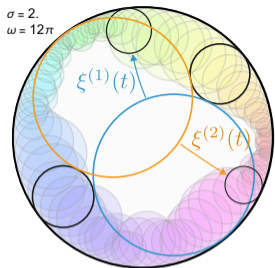


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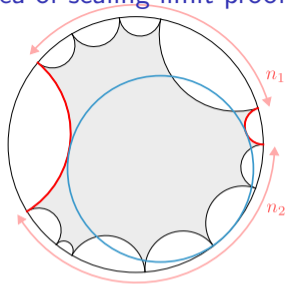
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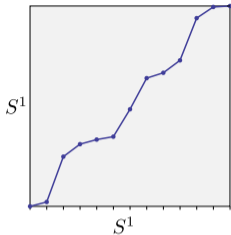


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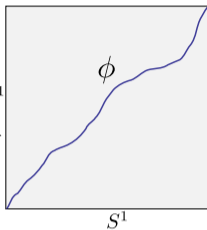
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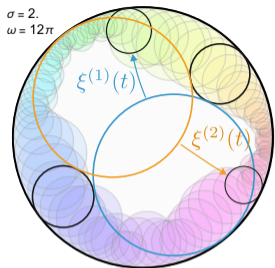
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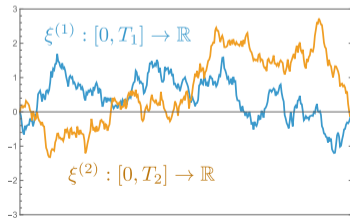
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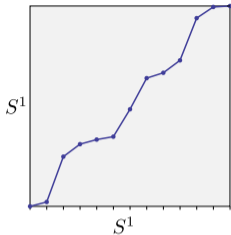
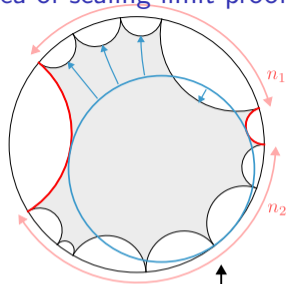


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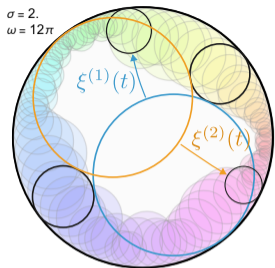
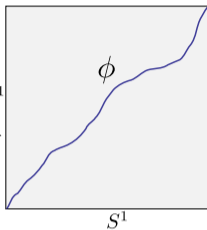
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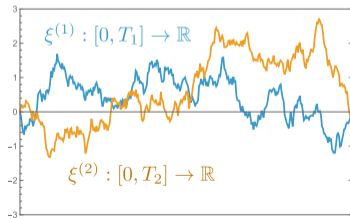
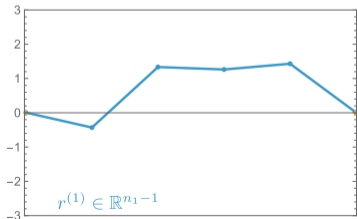
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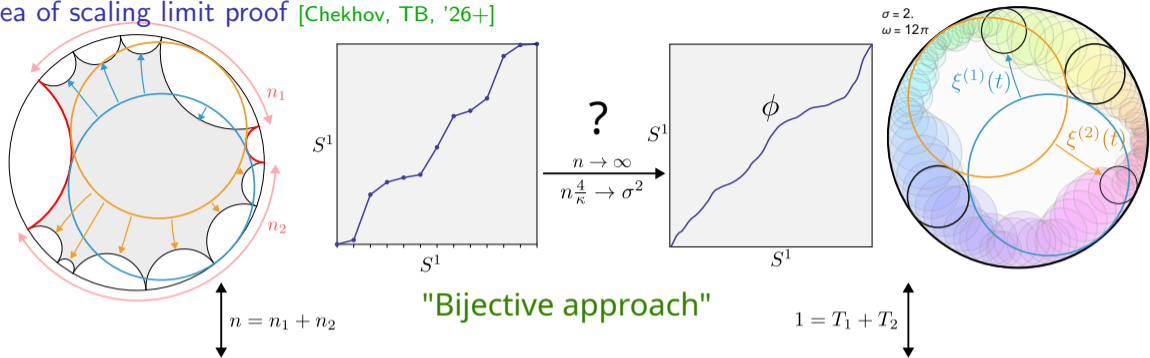
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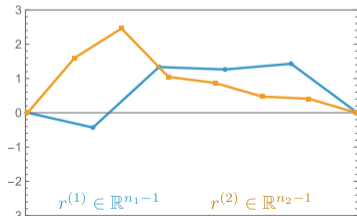


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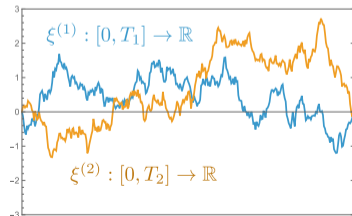
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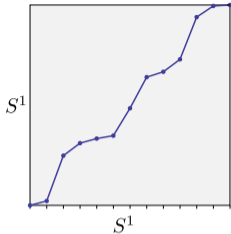
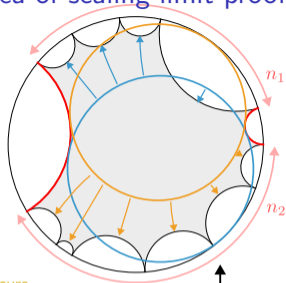


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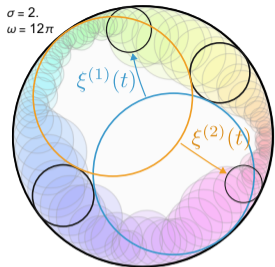
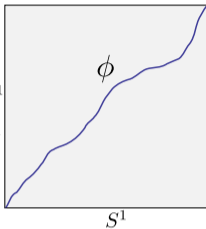


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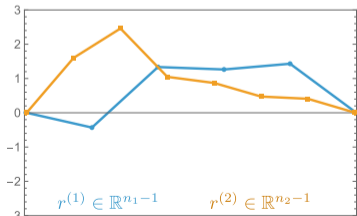
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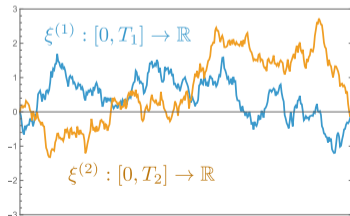
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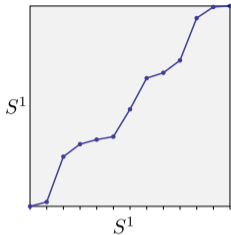
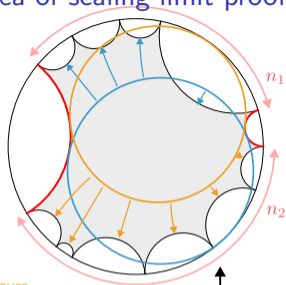


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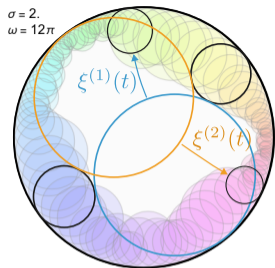
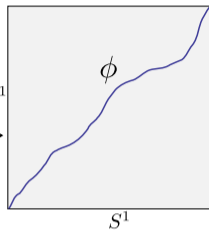


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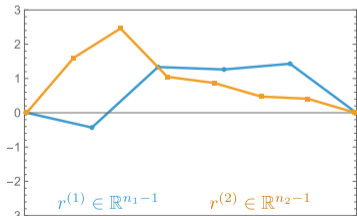
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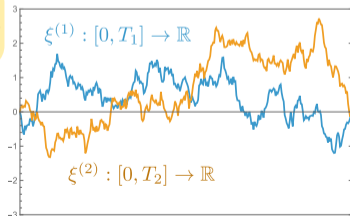
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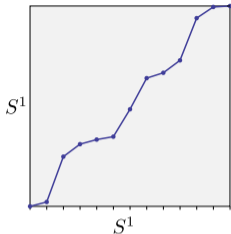
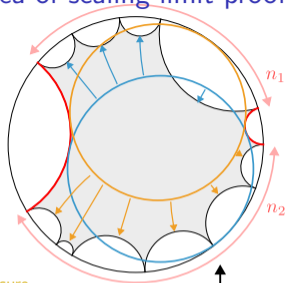


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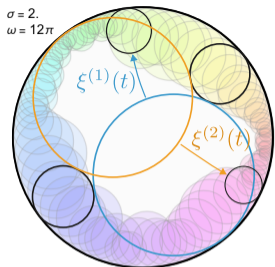
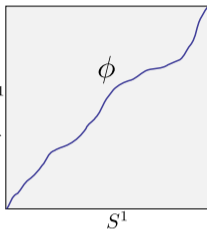


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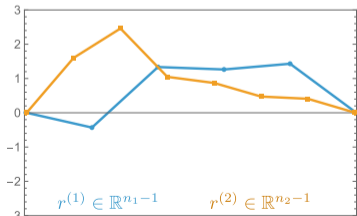
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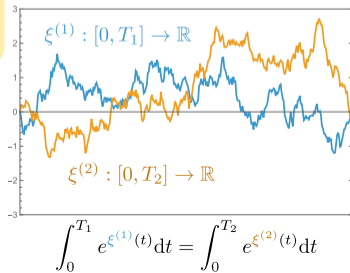
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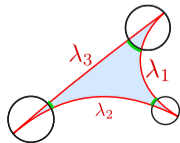
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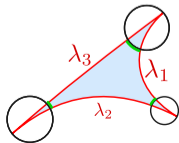
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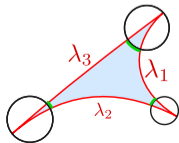
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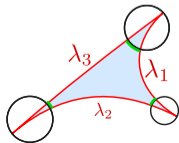
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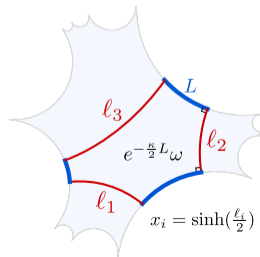
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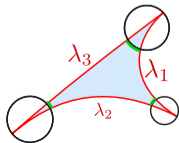
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