

# TED K-Theory of Cohomotopy Moduli Spaces and Anyonic Topological Order

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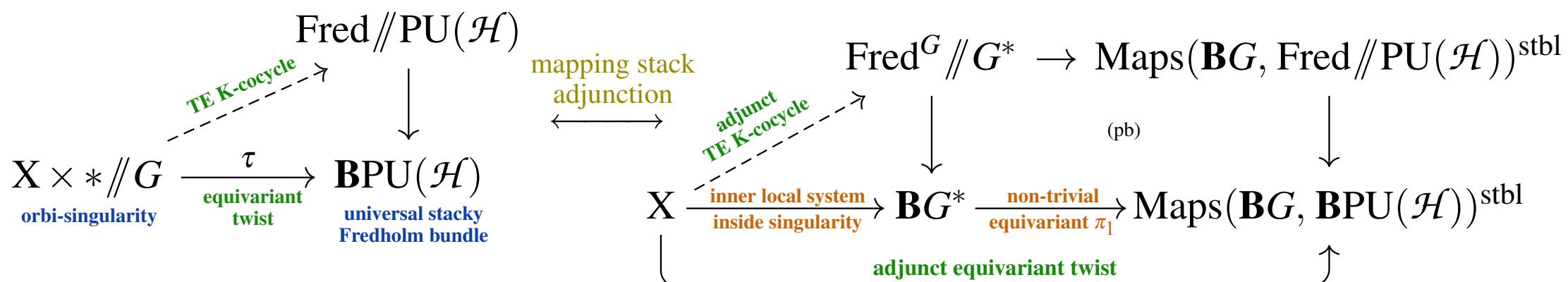
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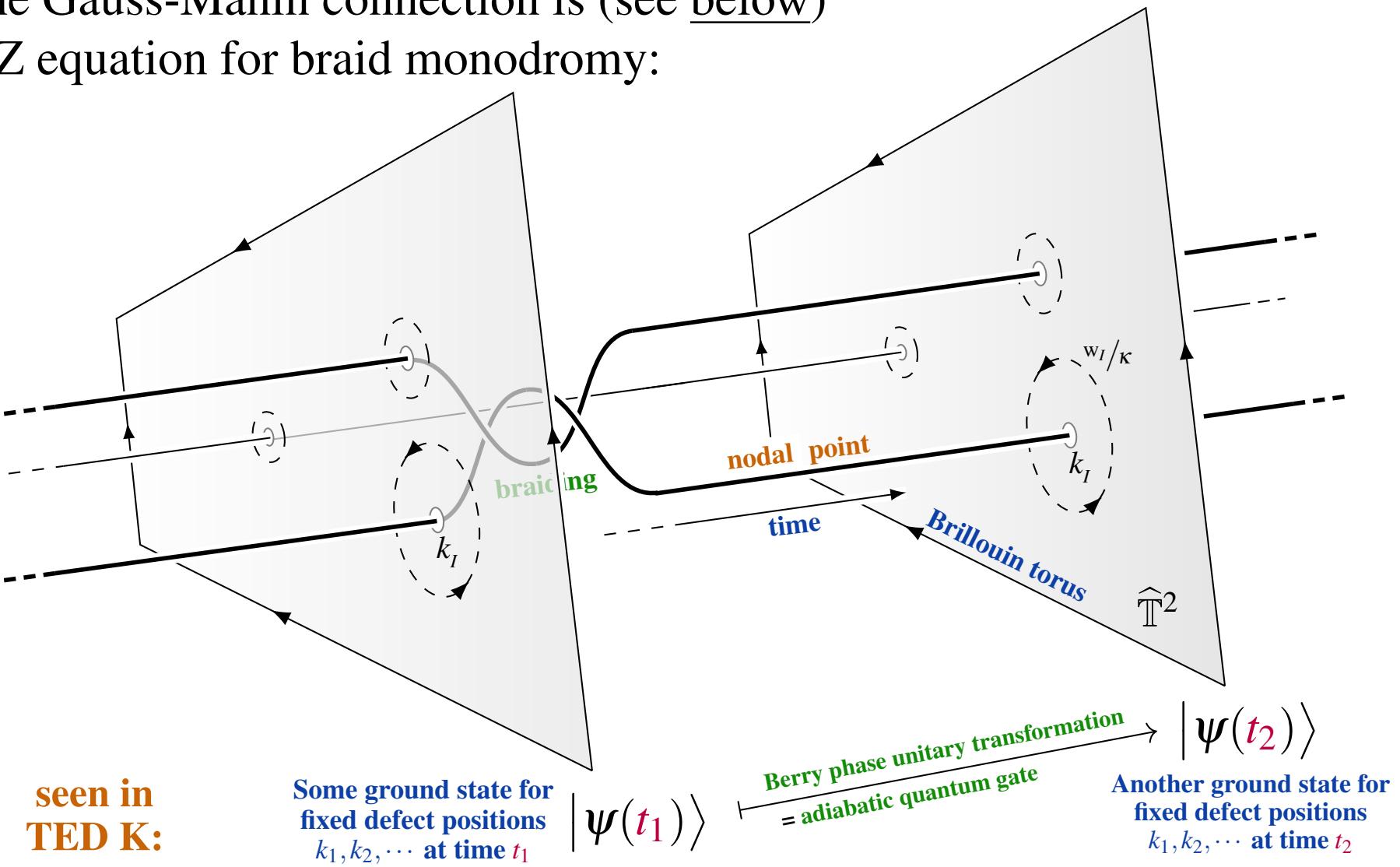
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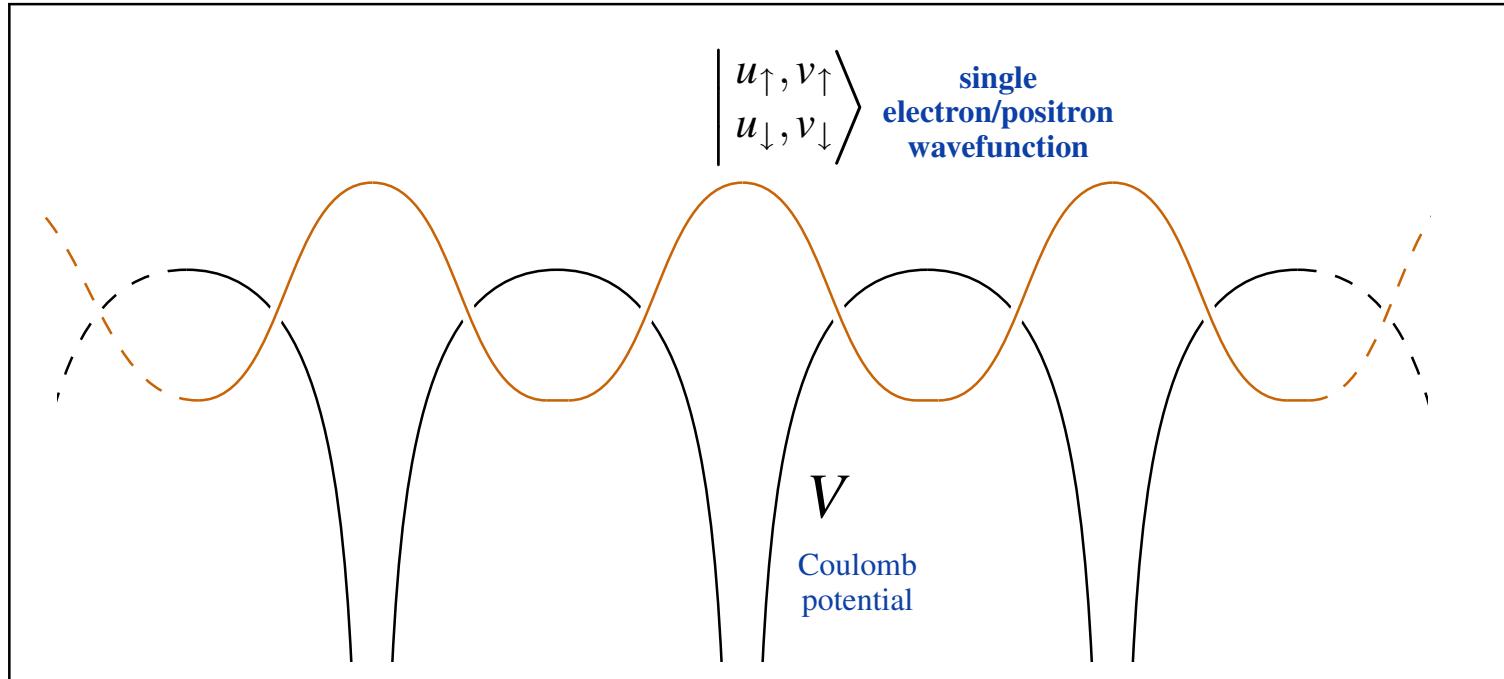
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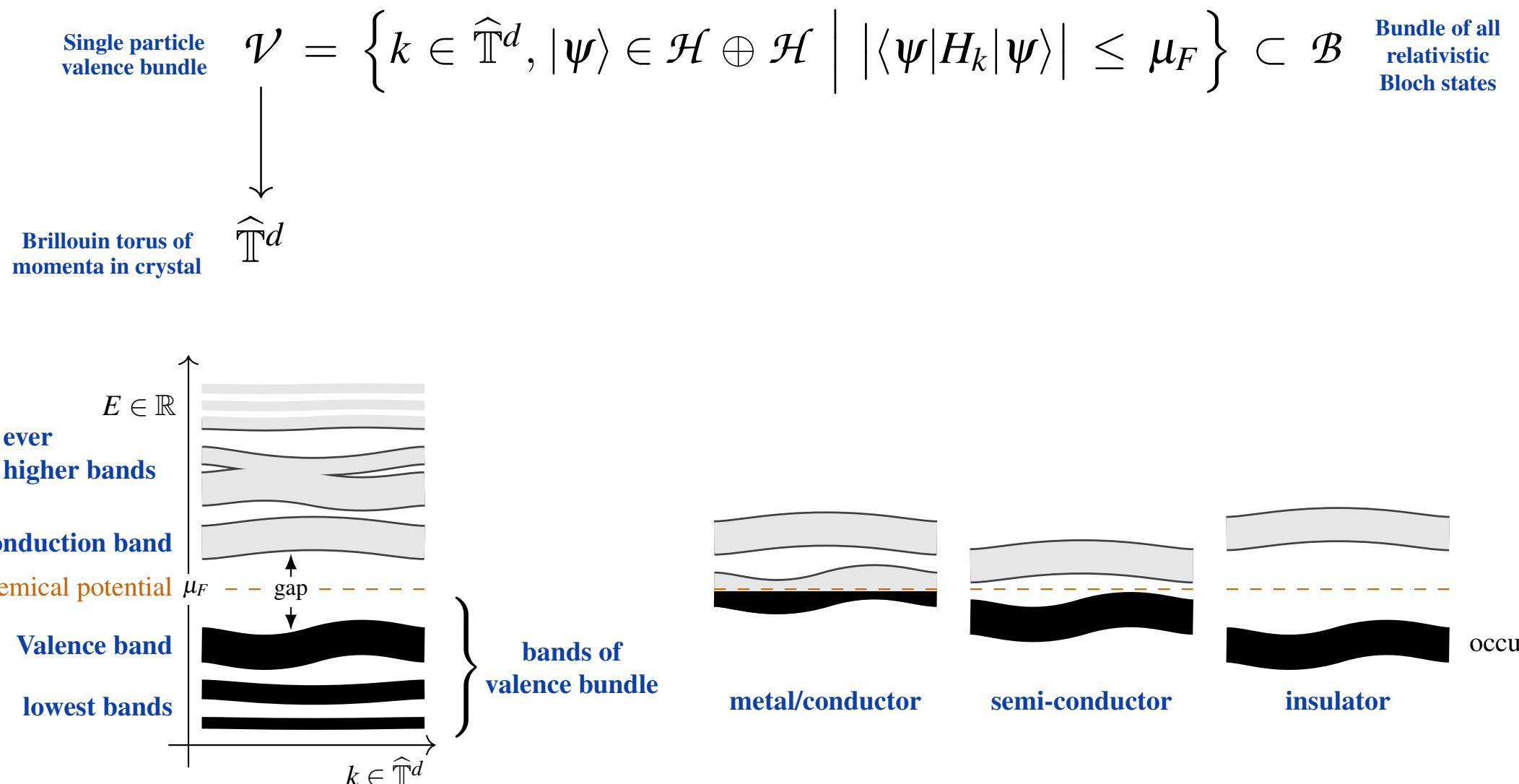
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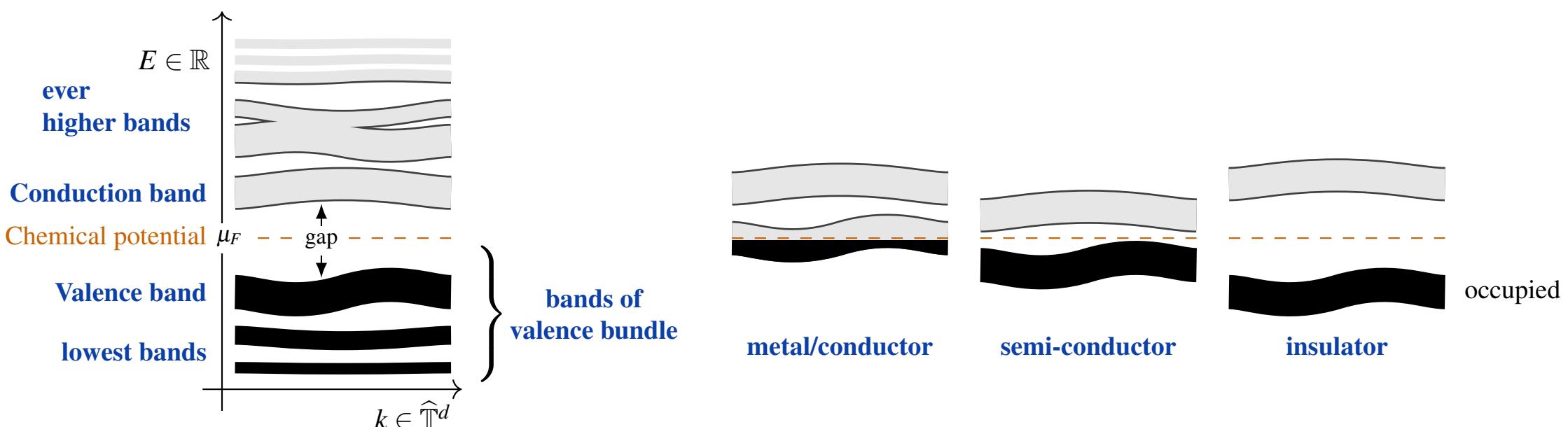
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Let's use the previous machinery to compute the possible quantum T-symmetries...

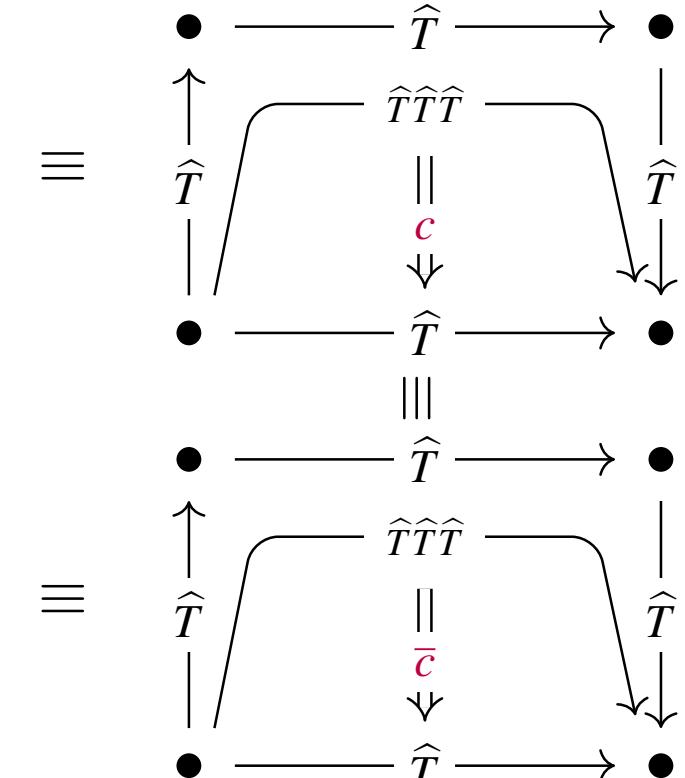
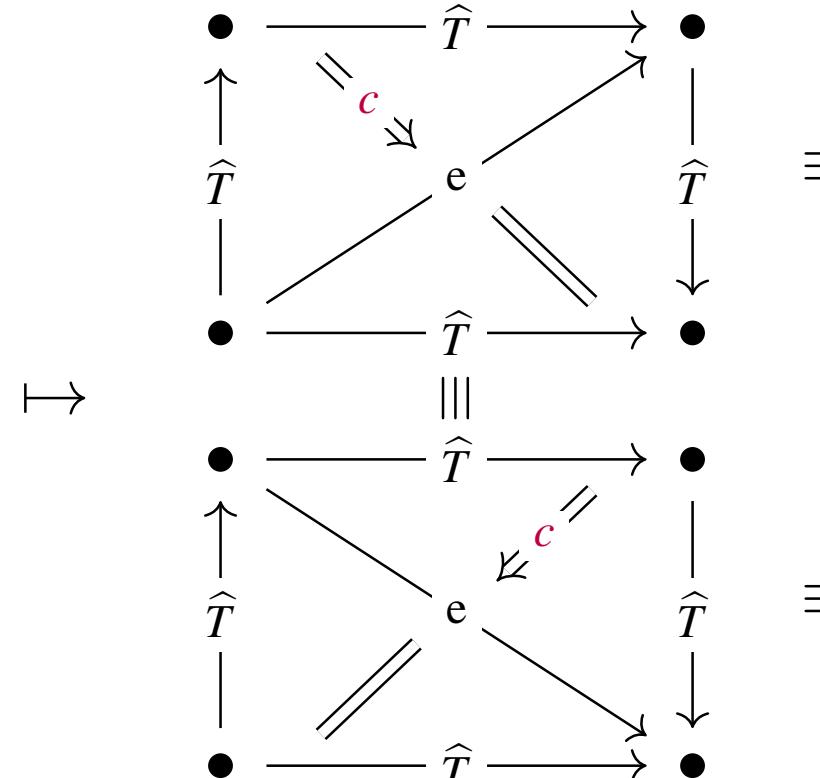
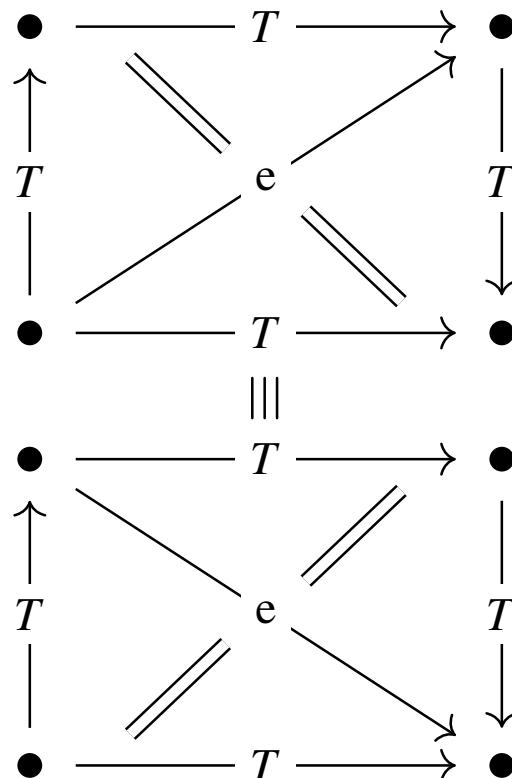
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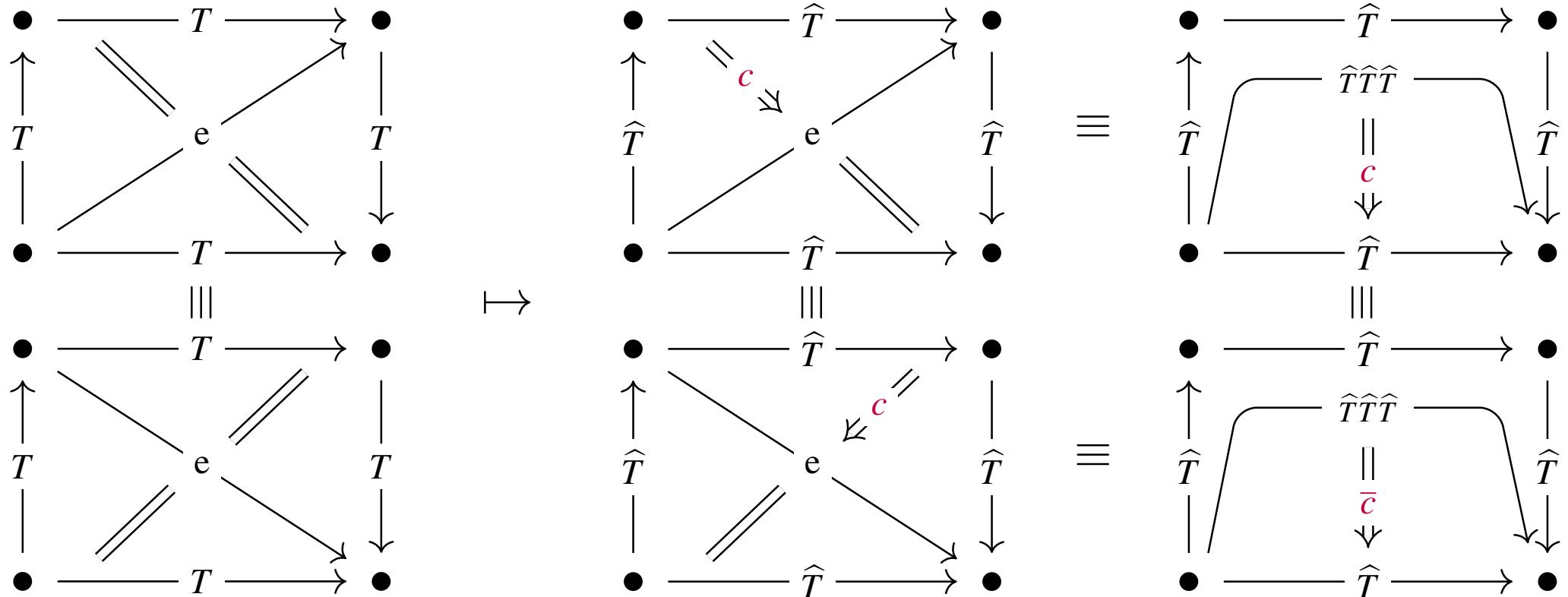
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So  $\bar{c} = c$  and hence there are **two choices for quantum T-symmetry**, up to homotopy:

$$\widehat{T}^2 = \pm 1 \quad \text{and similarly} \quad \widehat{C}^2 = \pm 1.$$

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But what happens on  $I$ -fixed loci i.e. on “orientifolds” ?



# CPT Quantum symmetries – 10 global choices.

(following [FM12, Prop. 6.4])

Equivariance group	$G =$	$\{\text{e}\}$	$\{\text{e}, P\}$	$\{\text{e}, T\}$	$\{\text{e}, C\}$	$\{\text{e}, T\} \times \{\text{e}, C\}$					
Realization as quantum symmetry $\tau:$	$\hat{T}^2 =$			+1	-1			+1	-1	-1	+1
	$\hat{C}^2 =$					+1	-1	+1	+1	-1	-1
Maximal induced Clifford action anticommuting with all $G$ -invariant odd Fredholm operators	$E_{-3} =$							$i\hat{T}\hat{C}\beta$			
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$\tau$ -twisted $G$ -equivariant KR-theory of fixed loci	$\text{KR}^\tau =$	$\text{KU}^0$	$\text{KU}^1$	$\text{KO}^0$	$\text{KO}^4$	$\text{KO}^2$	$\text{KO}^6$	$\text{KO}^1$	$\text{KO}^3$	$\text{KO}^5$	$\text{KO}^7$

bounded oper.	$\widehat{F} : \mathcal{H}^2 \xrightarrow[\mathbb{K}\text{-linear}]{\text{bounded}} \mathcal{H}^2$	bounded oper.	$E_0, \dots, E_p : \mathcal{H}^2 \xrightarrow[\mathbb{K}\text{-linear}]{\text{bounded}} \mathcal{H}^2$
self-adjoint	$\widehat{F}^* = \widehat{F} := F + F^*$	graded comm. $E_i \circ \widehat{F} = -\widehat{F} \circ E_i$ with (anti-)self-adjoint	$(E_i)^* = \text{sgn}_i \cdot E_i$
Fredholm	$\dim(\ker(\widehat{F})) < \infty$	Clifford gen.	$E_i \circ E_j + E_j \circ E_i = 2\text{sgn}_i \cdot \delta_{ij}$

$=: \text{Fred}_{\mathbb{C}}^{-p}$

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## Example – $TI$ -equivariant KR-theory is $KO^0$ -theory.

The combination  $T \cdot I$  acts trivially on the domain space and by complex conjugation on observables.

Hence  $(T \cdot I)$ -equivariant  $(\hat{T}^2 = +1)$ -twisted KR-theory is  $KO^0$ -theory:

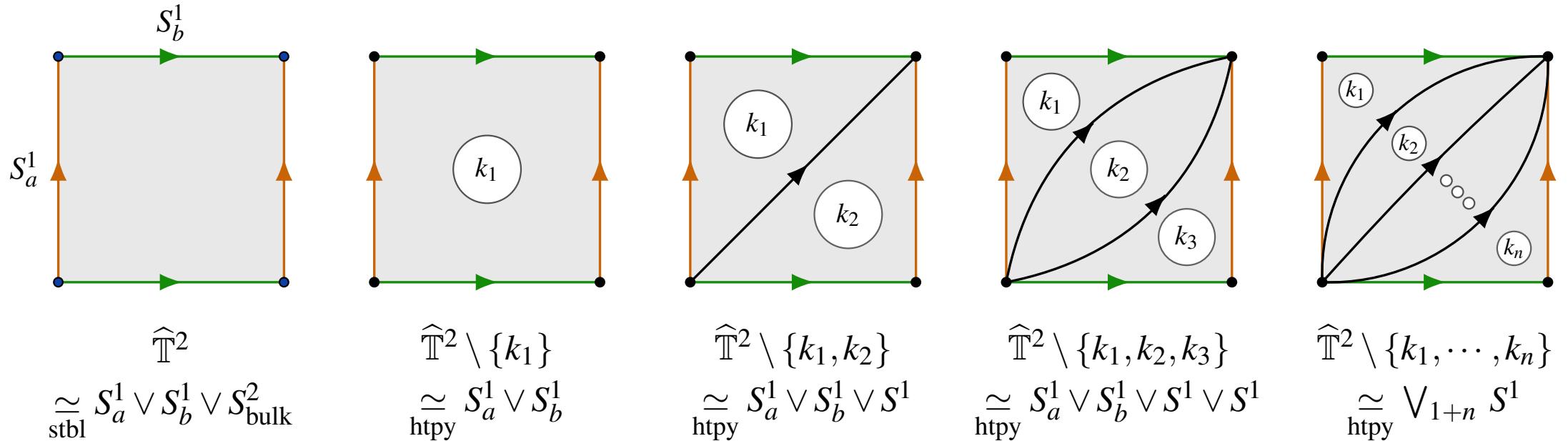
$$KO^0(X) \simeq \left\{ \begin{array}{c} X \times * \mathbin{\!/\mkern-5mu/\!} \{e, TI\} \xrightarrow{\quad \hat{T}^2 = +1 \quad} \mathbf{B}(\mathrm{U}(\mathcal{H}) \rtimes \{e, T\}) \\ \xrightarrow{\quad TI \rightarrow T \quad} \mathbf{B}\{e, T\} \end{array} \right. \begin{array}{l} \xrightarrow{\quad \text{no action} \quad \text{on space} \quad} \\ \xrightarrow{\quad \text{combined} \quad \text{with} \quad} \\ \xleftarrow{\quad \text{complex conj.} \quad \text{of observables} \quad} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \mathrm{Fred}_{\mathbb{C}}^0 \mathbin{\!/\mkern-5mu/\!} (\mathrm{U}(\mathcal{H}) \rtimes \{e, T\}) \\ \downarrow \end{array} \Bigg\} / \sim_{\text{htpy}}$$

$n =$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	$\dots$
$KO^0(S_*^n) =$	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	0	$\mathbb{Z}$	0	0	0	$\mathbb{Z}$	$\mathbb{Z}_2$	$\dots$

## Example – $TI$ -equivariant KR-theory of punctured torus.

So the  $TI$ -equivariant ( $\widehat{T}^2 = +1$ )-twisted KR-theory of the  $N$ -punctured torus is

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{KR}^{(\widehat{T}^2 = +1)}(\widehat{\mathbb{T}}^2 \setminus \{k_1, \dots, k_N\}) \\ & \simeq \text{KO}^0(\widehat{\mathbb{T}}^2 \setminus \{k_1, \dots, k_N\}) \\ & \simeq \text{KO}^0(\bigvee_{1+N} S_*^1) \quad (N \geq 1) \\ & \simeq \bigoplus_{1+N} \mathbb{Z}_2 \end{aligned}$$



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 & \downarrow g & \downarrow & \nearrow \rho(g)(1_\rho) & \downarrow \\
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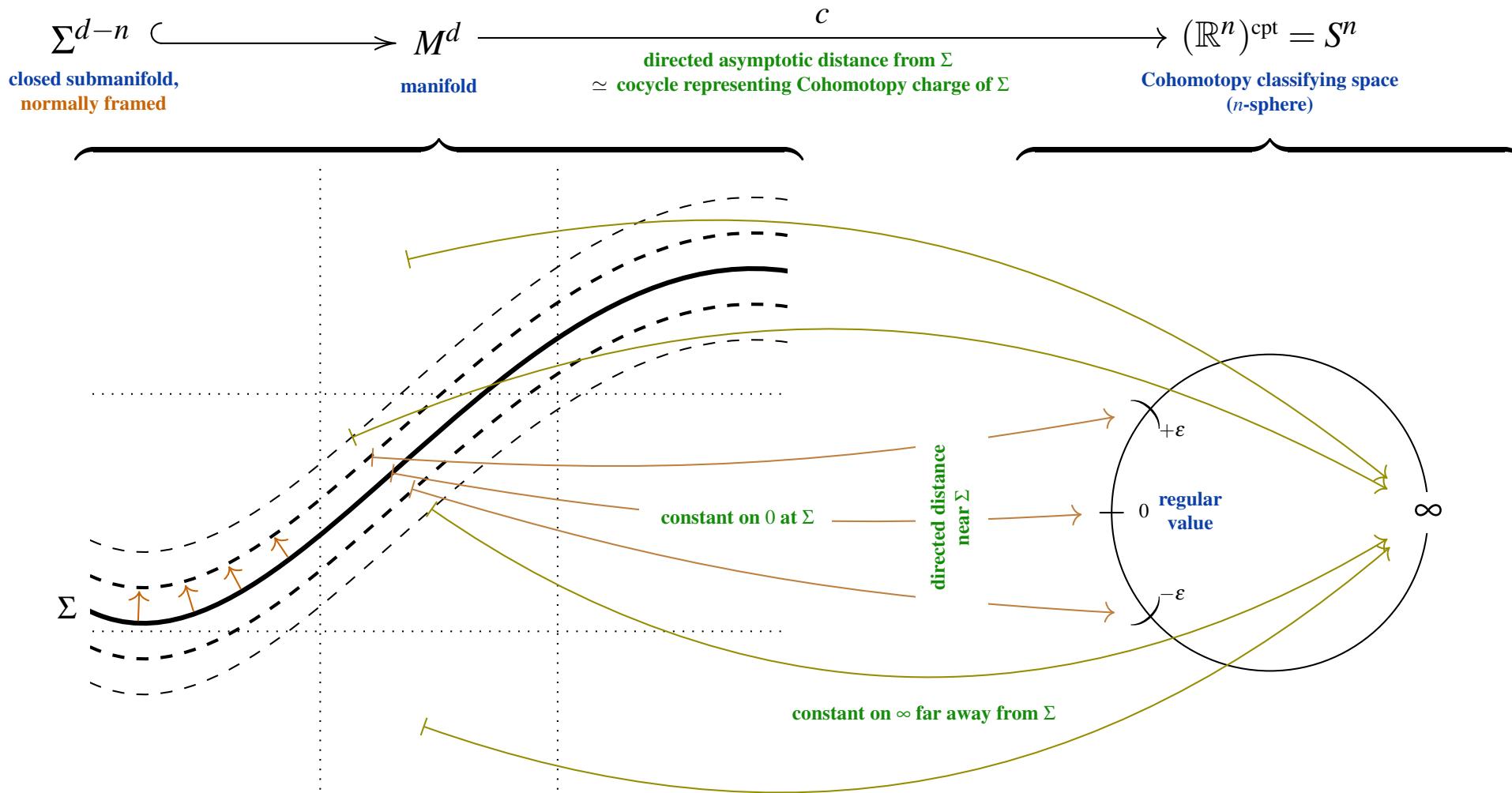
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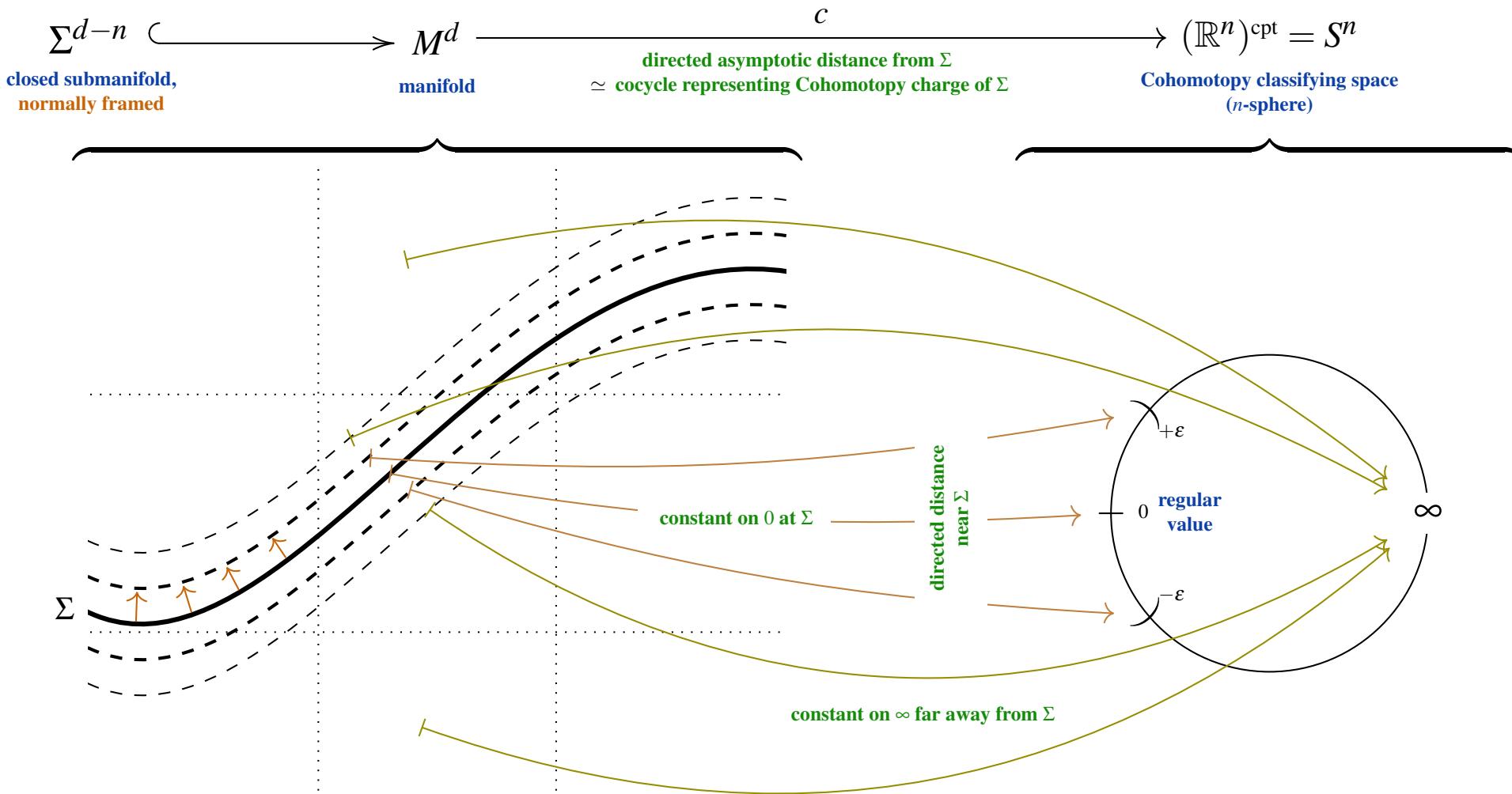
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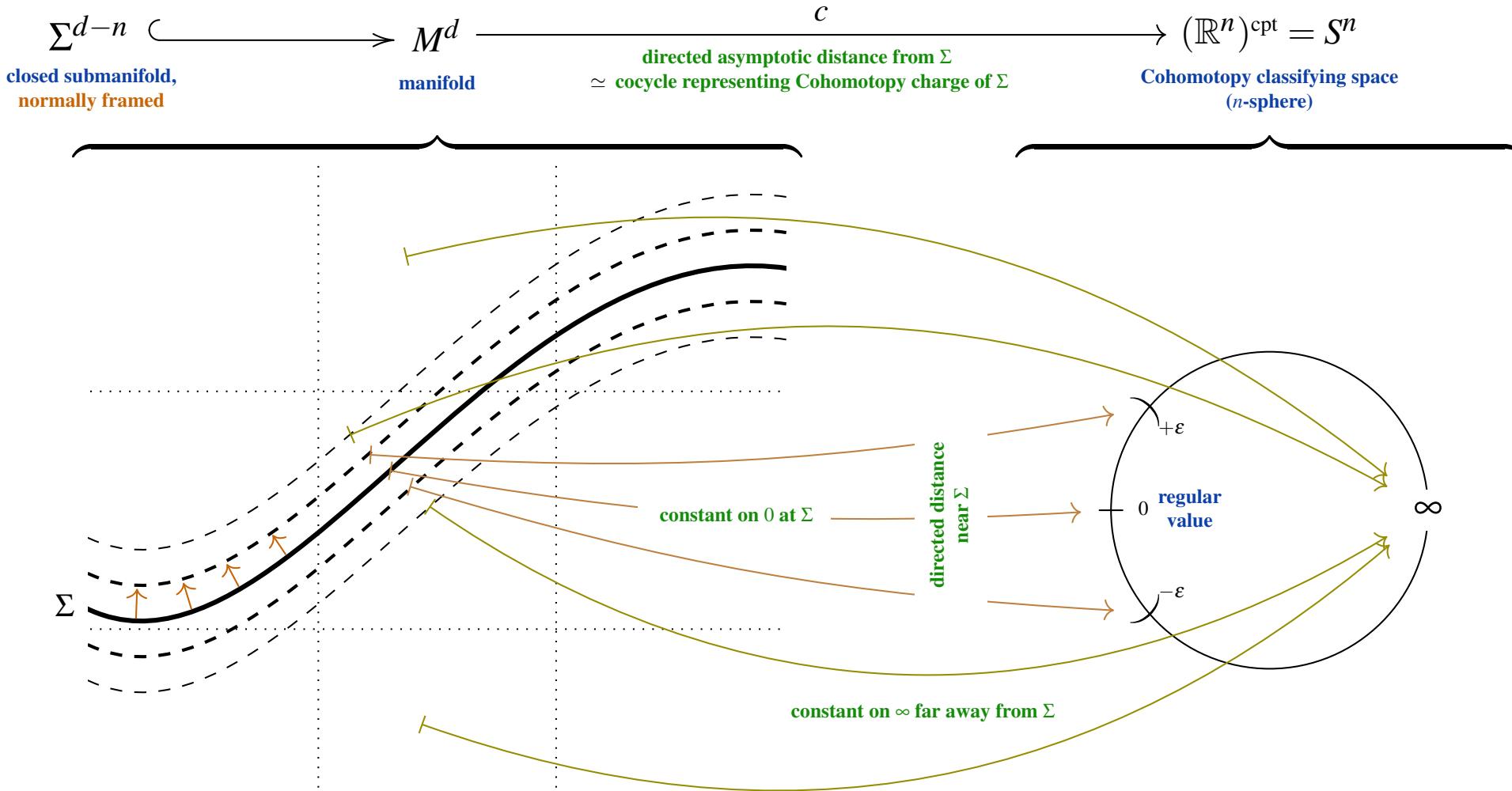


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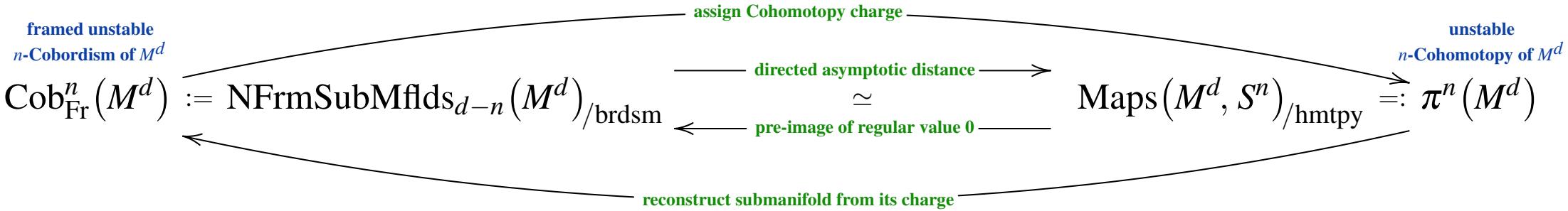


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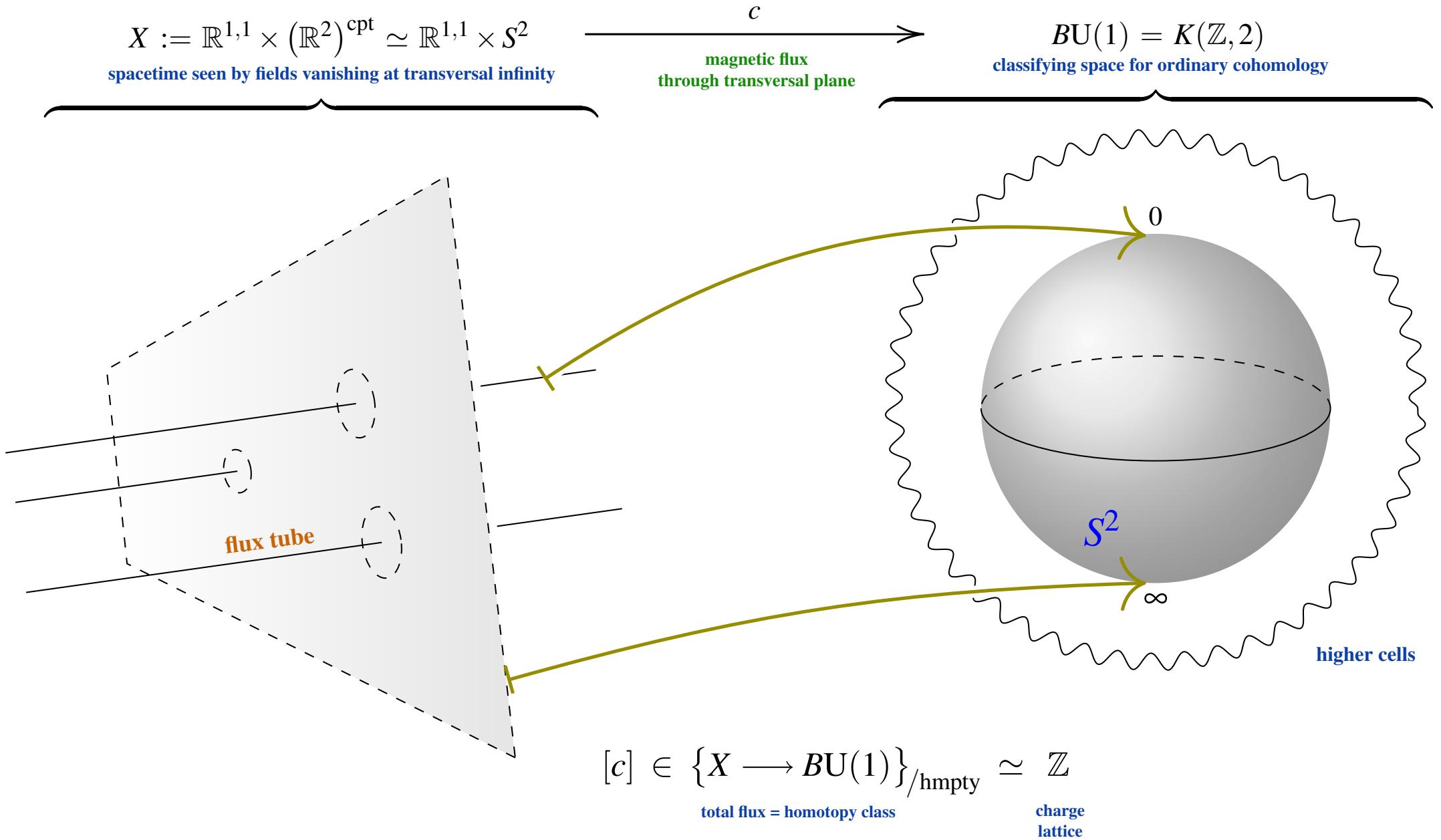
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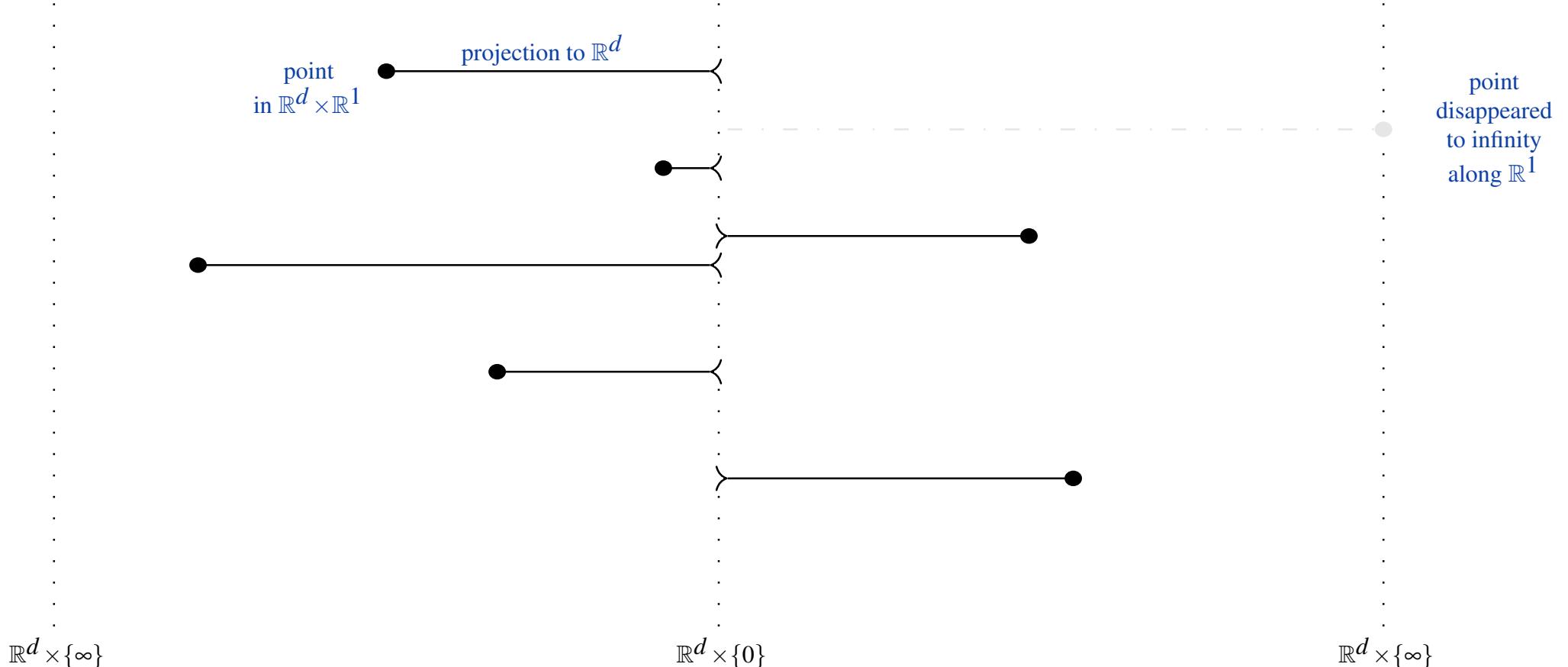
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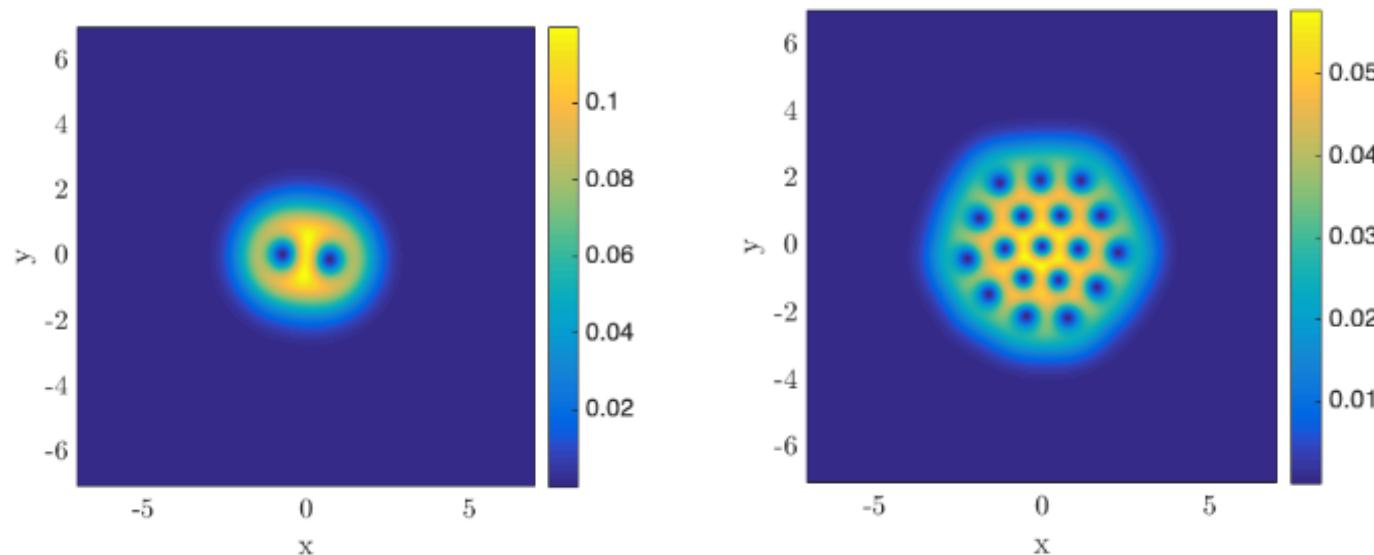
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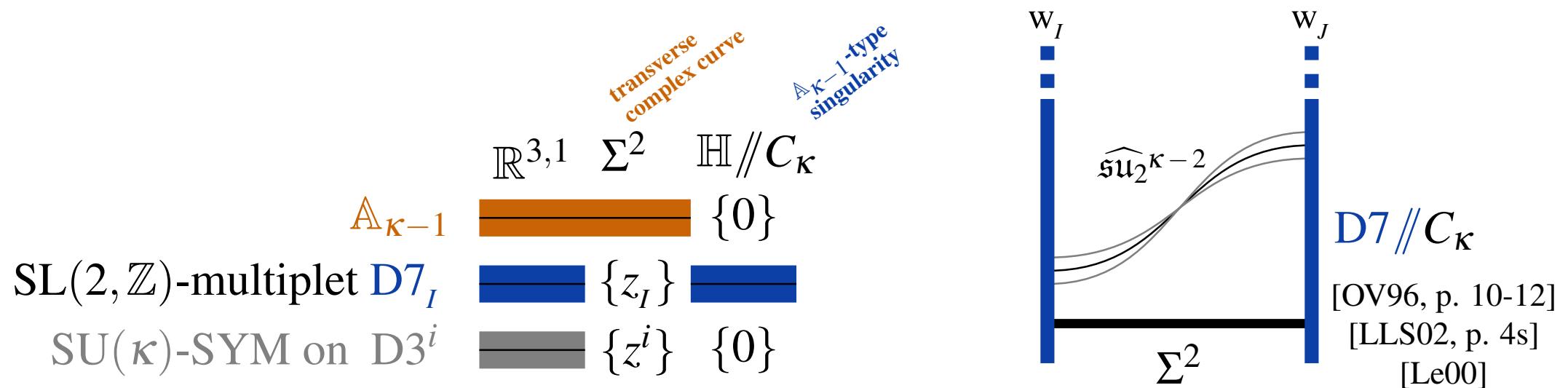
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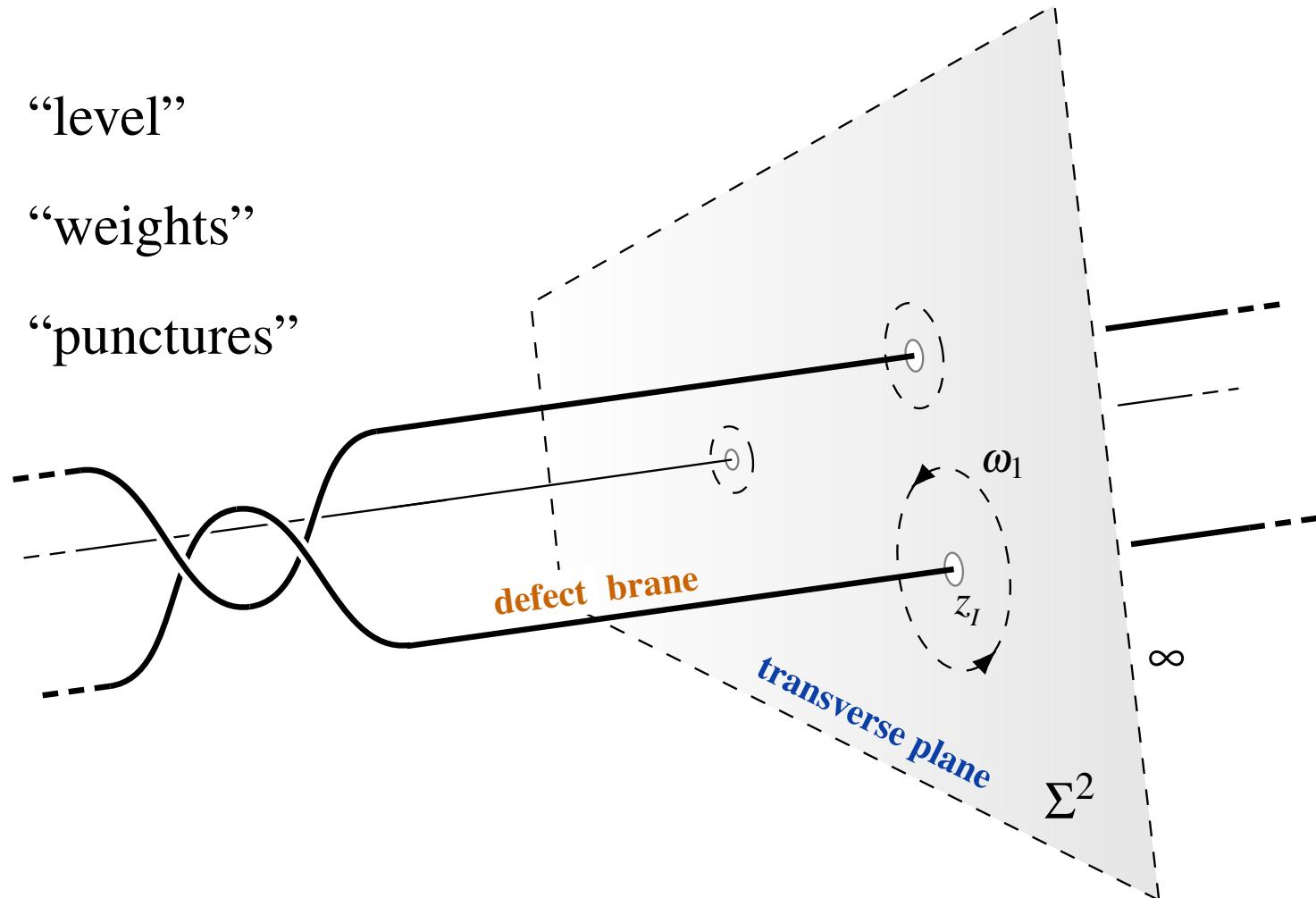
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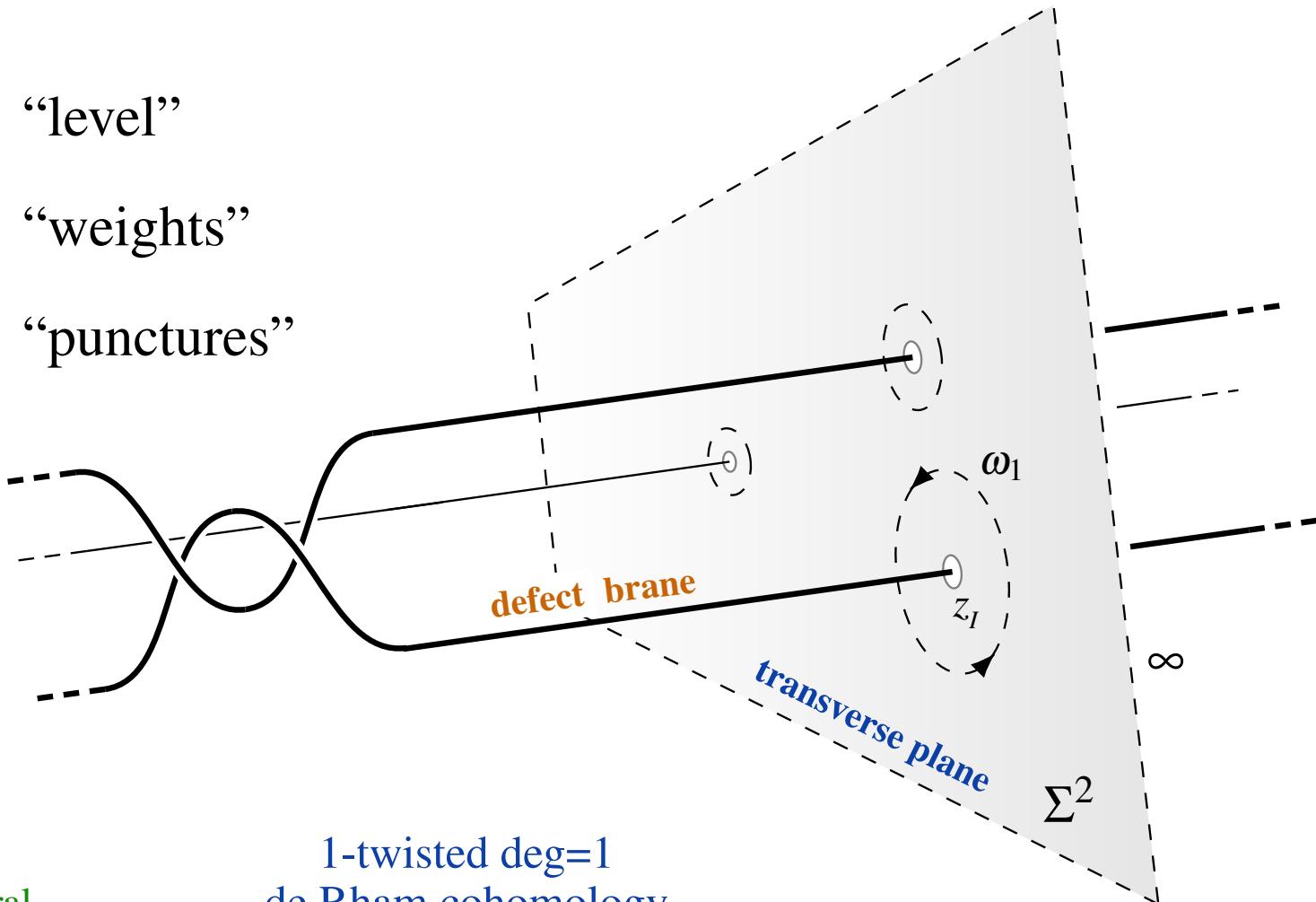
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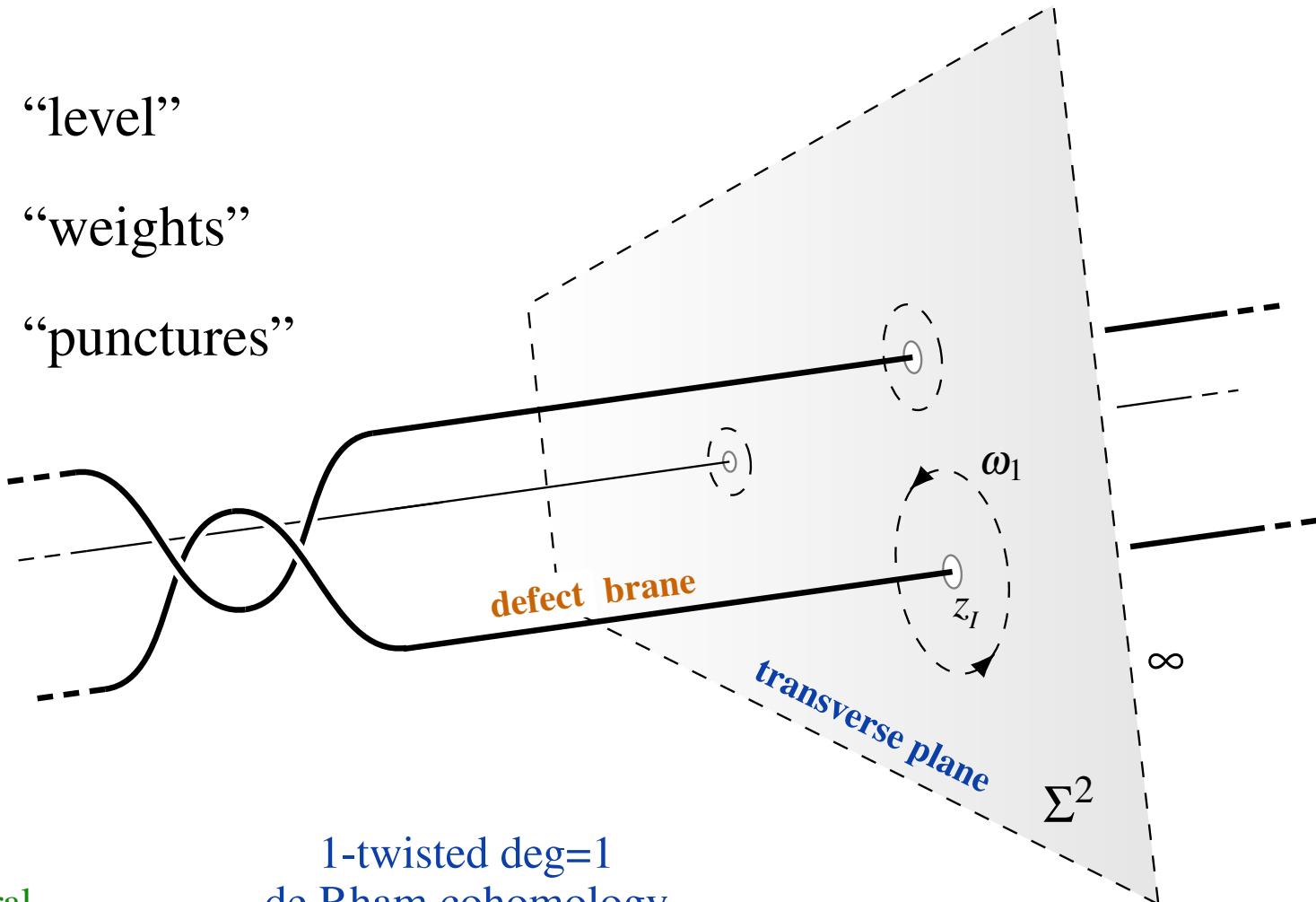
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The moduli space of flat M3-branes according to Hypothesis H is the configuration space of ordered points in their transverse plane.

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