

# Calabi-Yau Varieties: Enumerative Geometry, Arithmetic Geometry and Physics

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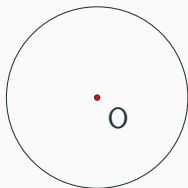
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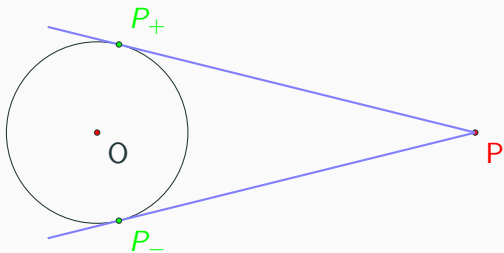
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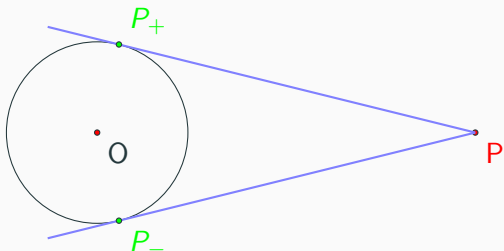
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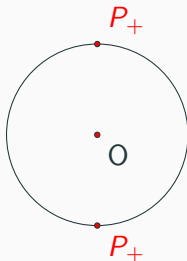


# Points	0 Points	1 Point	> 1 Points
Tangents	$\infty$	2	0
$\dim_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathcal{M})$	1	0	$< 0$

$\mathcal{M}$ : moduli space of solutions

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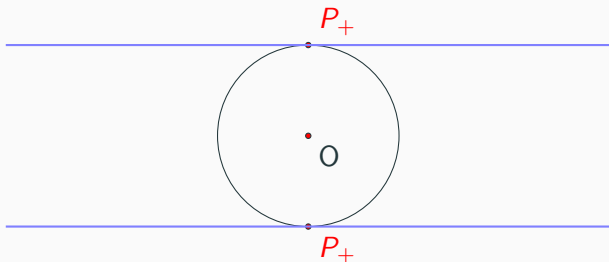
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**Theorem (C.T.C Wall):** The topological type of a Calabi-Yau 3-fold is fixed by their Hodge numbers, their triple intersection  $D_i \cap D_j \cap D_k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $[c_2] \wedge D_k, D_k \in H_4(M, \mathbb{Z})$ .

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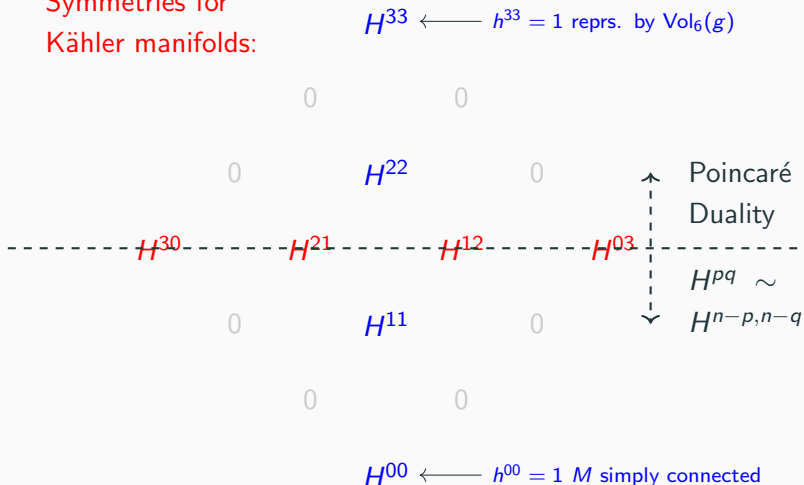
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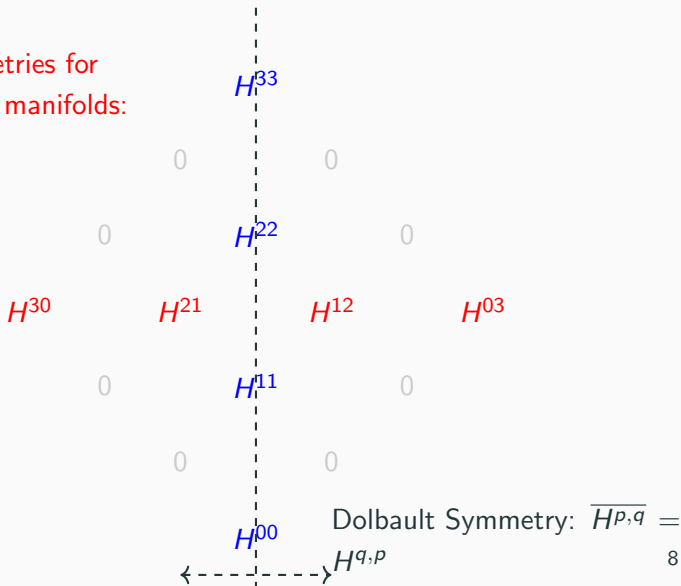
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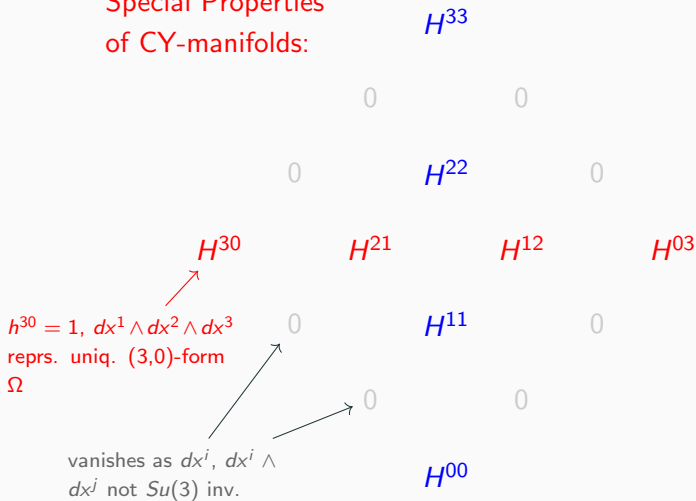
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$$H^{2,1}(M) \underset{\sim}{\simeq} H^1(M, TM)$$

Kodaira:  $H^1(M, TM)$

describes **first order complex structure deformations**

Tian & Todorov:

They are globally unobstructed, i.e.

$$\dim_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathcal{M}_{cs}) = h^{2,1}$$

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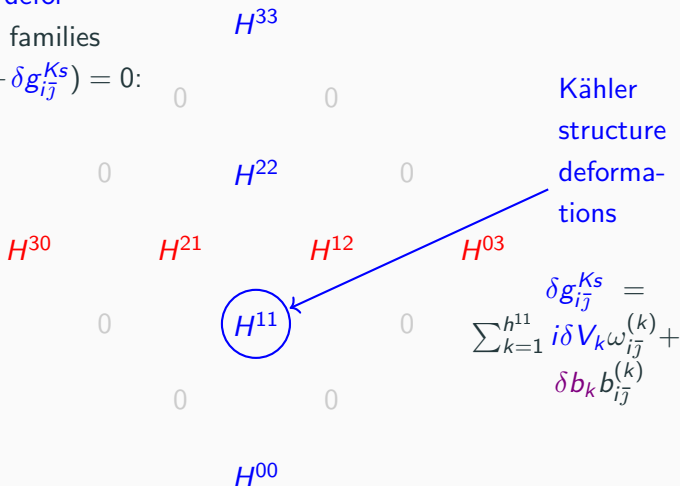
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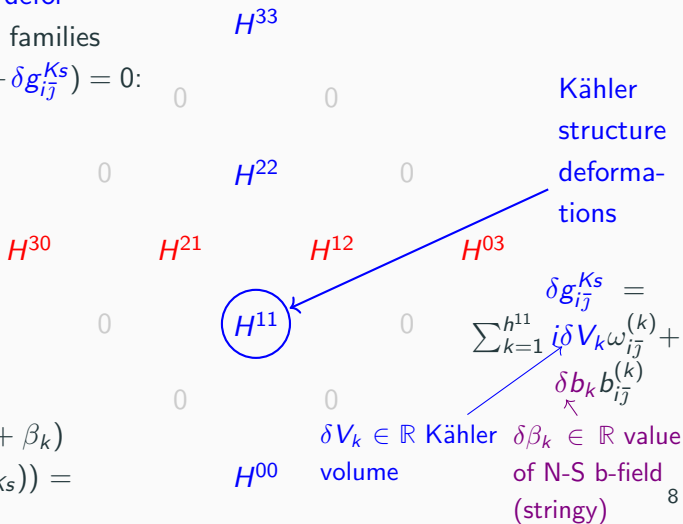
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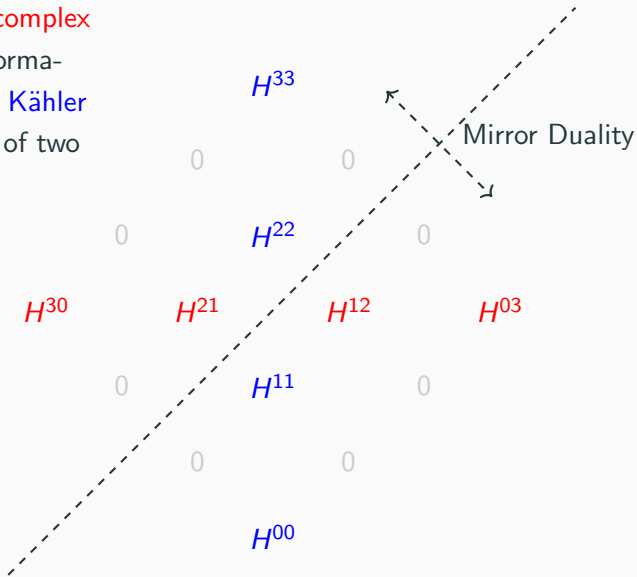


$$t_k = 2\pi i(iV_k + \beta_k)$$

i.e.  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathcal{M}_{cKs}) = h^{1,1}$

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Mirror Symmetry exchanges the **complex structure** deformations and the **Kähler deformations** of two CY  $(M, W)$



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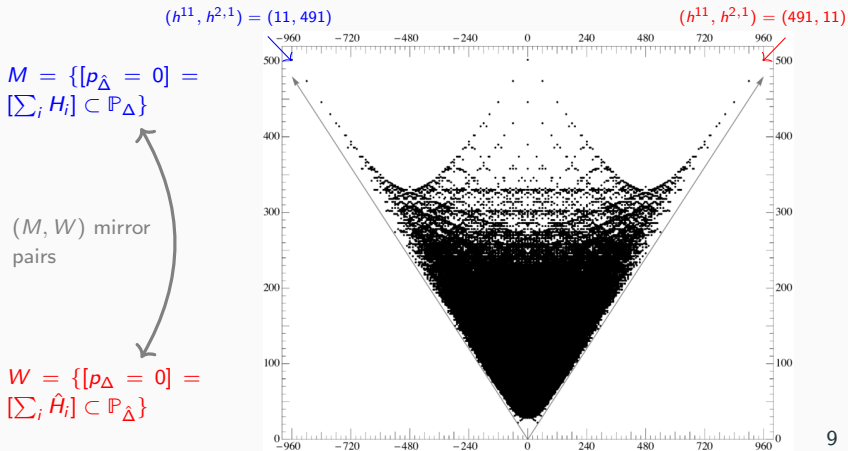
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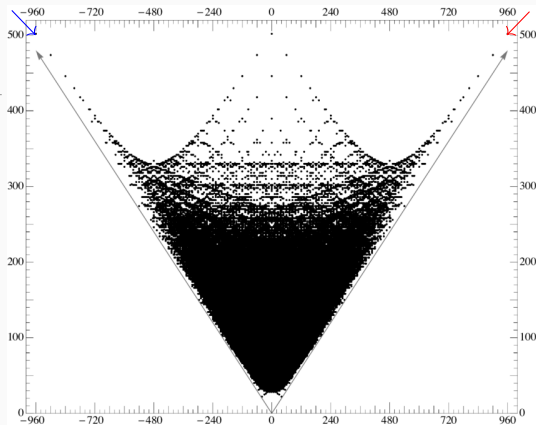
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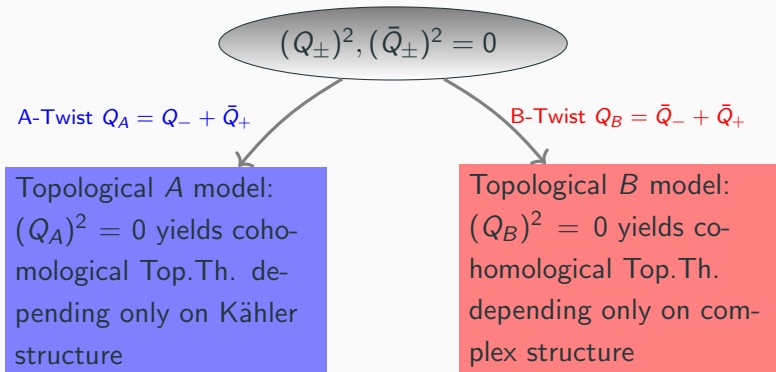
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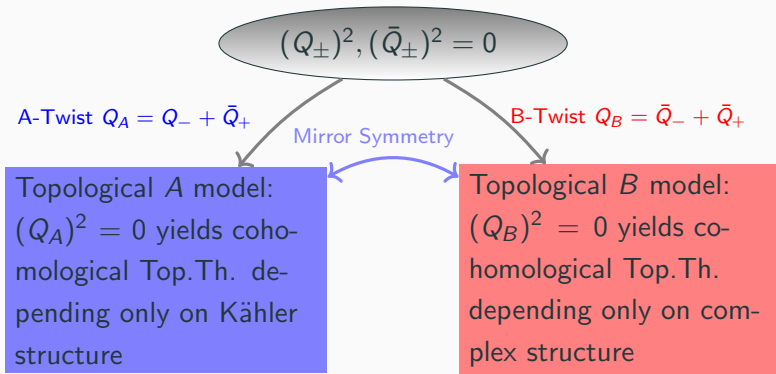




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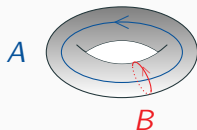
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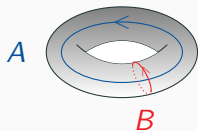
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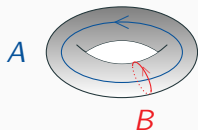
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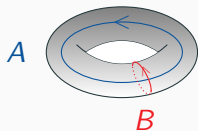
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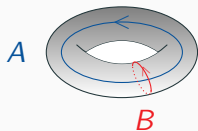
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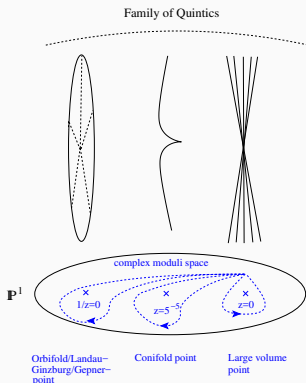
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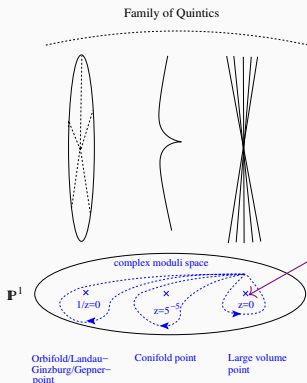
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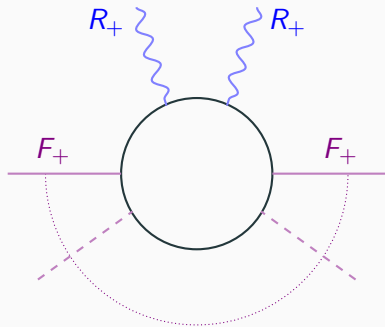
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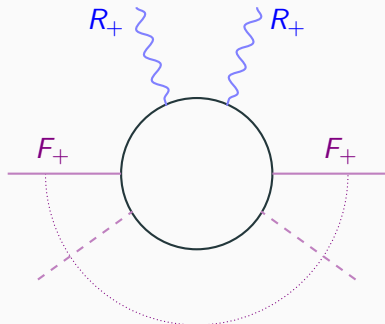
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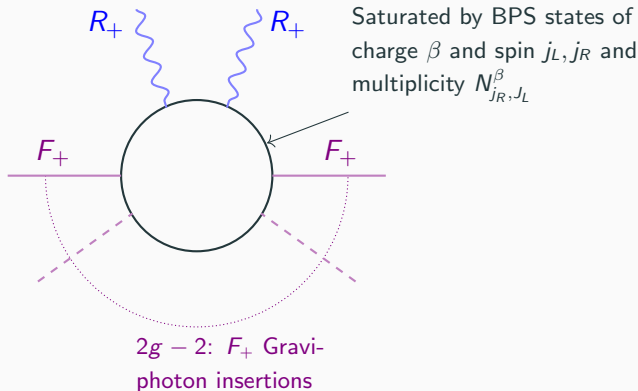
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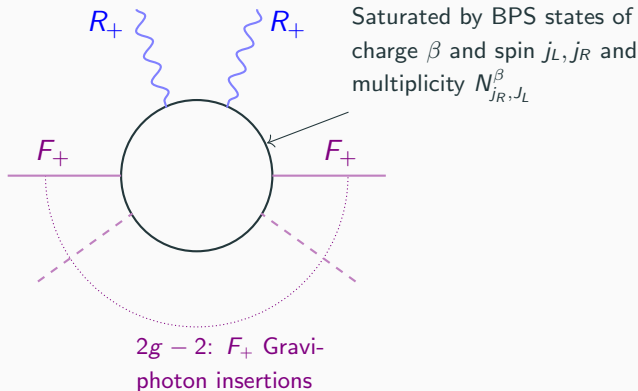
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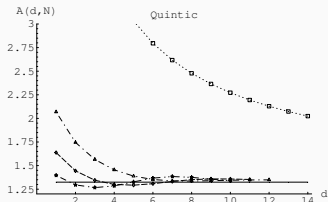
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is a weight 2 Hecke eigenform in the space of cusp forms  $S_2(\Gamma_0(N))$  for some conductor  $N$ .

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$$P_3(M_z/\mathbb{F}_p, T) = 1 + \alpha_p T + \beta_p p T^2 + \alpha_p p^3 T^2 + p^6 T^4 \quad (3)$$

for integers  $\alpha_p$  and  $\beta_p$ . There is a conjecture that the  $\alpha_p$  and  $\beta_p$  are Hecke eigenvalues of Siegel para modular Hecke form.

Checking this conjecture is rather difficult but examples have been found [Golyshev, Van Straten 2021](#).

# Calabi-Yau modularity

With [Böhnisch, Scheidegger and Zagier CMP '24](#) we are studying special fibers where the Galois action on the middle cohomology is reducible, which signals a factorization of  $P_3$

$$P_3(M_{z^*}/\mathbb{F}_p, T) = (1 - a_p T + p^3 T^2)(1 - b_p(pT) + p(pT)^2)$$

where  $a_p$  and  $b_p$  are the Hecke eigenvalues of  $f_4$  and  $g_2$  cusp forms. This a rank two attractor point, i.e.  $H^3(W_{z^*}, \mathbb{Q}) = \Lambda \oplus \Lambda_{\perp}$  where

$$\Lambda \subseteq H^{3,0}(M_{z^*}) \oplus H^{0,3}(M_{z^*}) \quad \text{and} \quad \Lambda_{\perp} \subseteq H^{2,1}(M_{z^*}) \oplus H^{1,2}(M_{z^*}).$$

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# Introduction perturbative QFT

$$Z[J] = \int \mathcal{D}\phi \exp \left[ \frac{i}{\hbar} \int d^D x (\mathcal{L} + J\phi) \right] .$$

E.g. with  $\mathcal{L} = \int d^D x \left[ \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 - \frac{\lambda}{4!} \phi^4 \right]$ .

All physical correlators are of the form

$$\langle \phi(x_1) \dots \phi(x_n) \rangle = Z[J]^{-1} \left( \frac{\delta}{\delta J(x_1)} \right) \dots \left( \frac{\delta}{\delta J(x_n)} \right) Z[J] \Big|_{J=0}$$

In interacting theories  $\lambda \neq 0$  this is expanded **asymptotically** in Feynman graphs

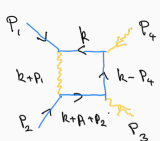
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Realistic theories: Probability for  $e^- e^+$  to annihilate to two photons  $P(e^- e^+ \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) \sim |\mathcal{A}(e^- e^+ \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)|^2$ ,  $\alpha \sim \frac{1}{137}$

$$\mathcal{A}(e^- e^+ \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = \text{[tree diagrams]} + \dots + \alpha \left( \text{[tree diagrams]} + \dots \right) + \alpha^2 \left( \text{[loop diagrams]} + \dots \right) + \dots$$

Scalar part e.g. for e.g. the box integral  $I$ : Propagators  $\frac{1}{q^2 - m^2 + i\cdot 0}$



$$\sum_{i=1}^4 p_i = 0 \quad \text{momentum conservation}$$

$$\sim \int \frac{d^D k}{(k^2 - m^2) (k+p_1)^2 ((k+p_1+p_2)^2 - m^2) ((k-p_4)^2 - m^2)}$$

$D = D_0 - 2\epsilon$ ,  $I = \sum_{k=-n}^{\infty} I_k \epsilon^n$  with  $I_k$  functions of masses and Lorentz invariant products of the external momenta that we need to know!

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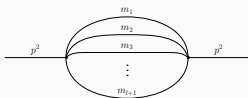
Generally one needs dimensional regularisation and evaluates in  $D = 4 - 2\epsilon$  dimensions and gets a Laurent expansion  $I = \frac{I_{-1}}{\epsilon} + I_0 + \dots$ . The Laurent coefficients are also to be expected to be (twisted) periods [Bogner, Weinzierl](#).

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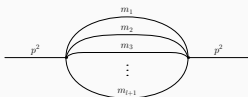


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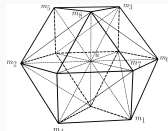
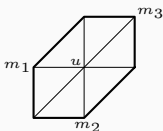
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The Newton polytope of the numerator is reflexive. For example for  $l = 2, 3$  they look like



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Feynman integrals  $\Leftrightarrow$  Periods of algebraic varieties

Planar Feynman graph	Max. Cut Integrals	Period - Geometry
1-loop	rational functions	Pts in Fano 1-fold
2-loop	elliptic functions	families of elliptic curve
3-loop	fullfil 3 ord. hom diff eqs.	families of K3
4-loop	fullfil 4 ord. hom diff eqs.	families of CY-3-fold
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$

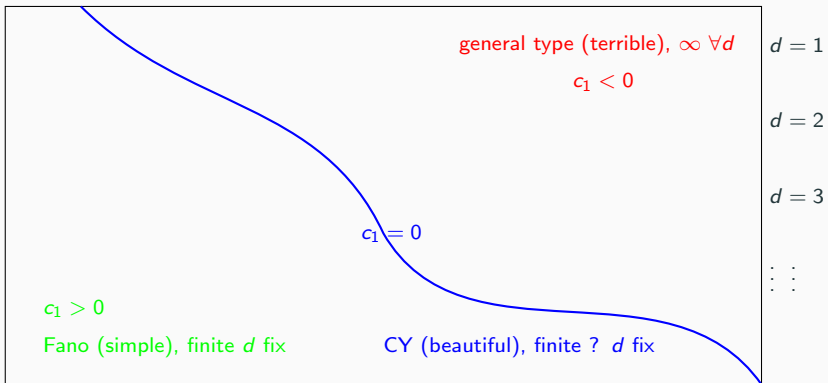
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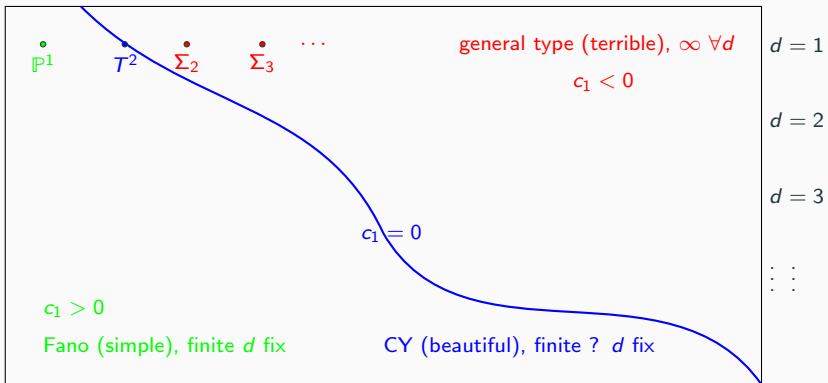
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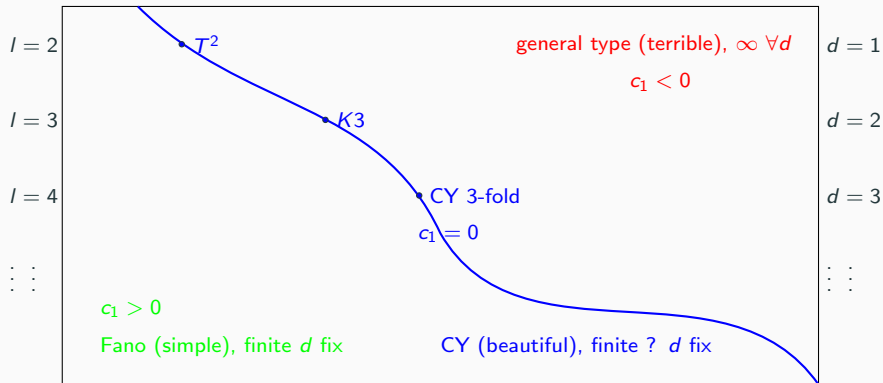


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$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} l = 0 & l = 1 & l = 2 & l = 3 & \dots \\ g = 0 & g = 1 & g = 2 & g = 3 & \dots \end{array}$$



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# Dictionary Feynman graphs/amplitudes and geometry

Perturbative QFT	Geometry X	Differential eq.	Arithmetic Geometry
maximal cut Feynman integral	Period integral $\underline{\Pi}$ ( $\epsilon$ -deformed)  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monodromy group <math>\in \Gamma(\mathbb{Z})</math>; irreducible ?</li> </ul>	Homogeneous Gauss Manin $(d - A(z))\underline{\Pi} = 0$	Motive defined by $l$ -adic coh $H_{et}^k(\overline{X}, \mathbb{Q}_l)$  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Galois group <math>\text{Gal}(\overline{K}/K)</math> irreducible ?</li> </ul>
actual Feynman integral	Chain integral ( $\epsilon$ -deformed)	Inhomogeneous Gauss Manin connection $(d-A(z))\underline{\Pi} = B(z)$	Extended motive

## Gauss Manin connection and sub sectors

One way to get the Gauss-Manin connection and the inhomogeneous term is to use the integration by parts relations IBP relation between so called master integrals. Consider **l-loop Feynman integrals** in general dimensions  $D \in \mathbb{R}_+$  of the form

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$D_j = q_j^2 - m_j^2 + i \cdot 0$  for  $j = 1, \dots, p$  are the propagators,  $q_j$  is the  $j^{\text{th}}$  momenta through  $D_j$ ,  $m_j^2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$  are masses,  $i \cdot 0$  indicates the choice of contour/branchcut in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Subject to momentum conservation the  $q_j$  are linear in the external momenta  $p_1, \dots, p_E$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^E p_i = 0$  and the loop momenta  $k_r$ . We defined  $\epsilon := \frac{D_0 - D}{2}$ .

## Master Integrals and integration by parts relations

The Feynman integral depends besides  $D$  on dot products of  $p_i$  and the masses  $m_j^2$ , written compactly in a vector  $\underline{w} = (w_1, \dots, N) = (p_{i_1} \cdot p_{i_2}, m_j^2)$  and dimensional analysis of  $I_{\underline{v}}$  shows that it depends only on the ratios of two parameters  $x_i$ , we chose

$$x_k := \frac{w_k}{w_N} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k < N$$

and label now the parameters of the integrals  $I_{\underline{v}}$  by the dimensionless parameters  $\underline{x}$ .

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There is a **finite region** in the lattice that contains all non-vanishing master integrals. In a basis of master integrals one can express derivatives w.r.t. the  $z_k$  as a linear combination **rational coefficients** by the IBP relations.

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Among the elements in the lattice  $\mathbb{Z}^p$  and, in particular, for the master integrals one can define **sectors** and a **semi-ordering** on the latter by defining a map

$$\underline{\nu} \mapsto \underline{\vartheta}(\underline{\nu}) =: (\theta(\nu_j))_{1 \leq j \leq p} .$$

where  $\theta$  is the Heaviside step function. The semi-ordering is then defined by  $\underline{\vartheta}(\underline{\nu}) \leq \underline{\vartheta}(\underline{\tilde{\nu}})$ , iff  $\theta(\nu_j) \leq \theta(\tilde{\nu}_j)$ ,  $\forall j$ . This defines an inclusive order on subgraphs with less propagators and therefore simpler topology.

## IBP relation summary:

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$$dI(\underline{x}, \epsilon) = \mathbf{A}(\underline{x}, \epsilon)I(\underline{x}, \epsilon)$$

$$\epsilon = (D_{cr} - D)/2.$$

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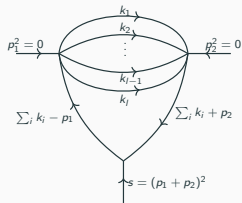
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Example: From the  $(l+1)$ -loop ice-cone graph



it is clear that it contains  $l$ -loop banana graph as  $\text{block}(s)$ .



# Dictionary for the blocks

	$l = (n + 1)$ -loop in block integrals in $D_{cr}$ dimensions	Calabi-Yau (CY) geometry
1	Maximal cut integrals in $D_{cr}$ dimensions	$(n, 0)$ -form periods of CY manifolds or CY motives
2	Dimensionless ratios $z_i = m_i^2/p^2$	Unobstructed compl. moduli of $M_n$ , or equi'ly Kähler moduli of the mirror $W_n$
3	Integration-by-parts (IBP) reduction	Griffiths reduction method
4	Integrand-basis for maximal cuts of of master integrals in $D_{cr}$	Middle (hyper) cohomology $H^n(M_n)$ $M_n$
5	Complete set of differential operators annihilating a given maximal cut in $D_{cr}$ dimensions	Homogeneous Picard-Fuchs differential ideal (PFI) / Gauss-Manin (GM) connection

## Consequences of the Geometric representation

Advantages of the geometric representation of the Feynman graphs as periods of (complete intersection) Calabi-Yau manifolds

- 1.) The GKZ system immediately yields all period integrals  $\int_{\sigma} \omega$  and near the point of maximal unipotent monodromy  $z_i = 0$  a canonical integral basis w.r.t. to the global monodromy  $\mathcal{O}(\Sigma, \mathbb{Z})$ . In particular one identifies the physical period and its analytic properties.
- 2.) Once the analytic continuation of  $\int_{\sigma} \omega$  to the other critical divisors in the discriminant locus is known they can be calculated to very high precision everywhere in the physical parameter space in extremely short time.

## Consequences of the Geometric representation

3.) Griffith-transversality (2) implies

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$$Z^{-1} = \frac{(2\pi i)^3}{C} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{C''}{C} - 2\frac{C'}{C} + \frac{\varepsilon_2}{c_4} & -\frac{C'}{C} & 1 \\ 2\frac{C'}{C} - \frac{C''}{C} - \frac{\varepsilon_2}{c_4} & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ \frac{C'}{C} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

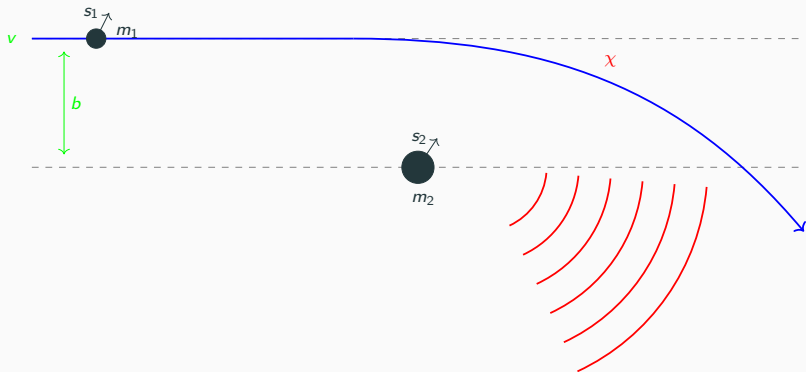
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is expanded in Post Minkowskian (PM) approximation in the Worldline Quantum Field Theory (WQFT) approach around the non-interacting background configurations

$$x_i^\mu = b_i^\mu + v_i^\mu \tau + z_i^\mu(\tau), \quad g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \sqrt{32\pi G} h_{\mu\nu}(x) .$$

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The goal is to calculate from the initial data: the impact parameter  $b^\mu = b_1^\mu - b_2^\mu$  and the incoming velocities  $v_1, v_2$  the physical quantity of interest, which is the radiation induces change in the momentum say  $\Delta p_1^\mu = m_1 \int d\tau \ddot{x}(\tau)$  of the first particle.

In the PM approximation the latter can be expanded in the gravitational coupling  $G$

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At each order the contributions  $\Delta p^{(n)\mu}(x)$  are calculated in the WQFT approach in the Swinger-Keldysh in-in formalism in terms of a Feynman graph expansion with retarded propagators. Here  $x = \gamma - \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}$  with  $\gamma$  the Lorentz factor of the relative velocities is the only parameter.

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involve bilinear of elliptic function which are periods of the  $K3$

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The corresponding smooth CY three-fold one-parameter complex family  $x = (2\psi)^{-8}$ , can be defined as resolution of four symmetric quadrics

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in the homogeneous coordinates  $x_i, y_j, j = 0, \dots, 3$  of  $\mathbb{P}^7$ . The periods of the above K3 and CY threefold determine all special functions that are necessary to solve for  $\Delta p^{(5)\mu}(x)$  in the 1SF sector.

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**Integrable Deformations:** Marginal  $\beta$  deformations Leigh, Strassler (95) Maldacena Luni (05). Here most relevant the supersymmetry breaking  $\gamma_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$  deformations in the double scaling limit  $g \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\gamma_3 \rightarrow i\infty$  with  $\xi^2 = g^2 N_c e^{-i\gamma_3}$  fixed Gürdoğan, Kazakov (16), with Caetano (18) and the bi-scalar model  $\chi$ FT Kazakov, Olivucci (18) leading to holographic dual pairs of integrable fishnet and fishchain theories in D dimensions.

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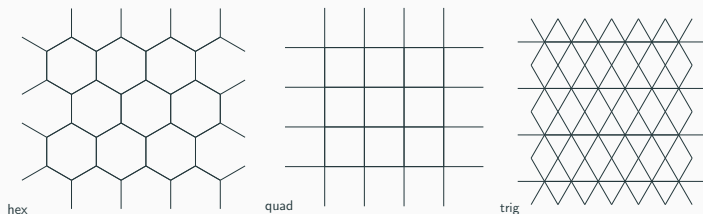
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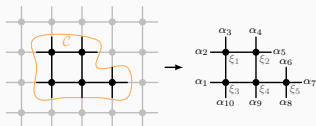
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Then the (planar) fishnet graphs can be cut by a closed oriented curve from the three regular tilings of the plane:

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**Figure 1:** The three regular tilings of the plan with vertices of valence  $\nu = 3, 4, 6$  respectively.



**Figure 2:** Ten-point five-loop fishnet integral cut out of a square tiling of the plane.

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To obtain a graph  $G$  consider a convex closed oriented curve  $\mathcal{C}$  that cuts edges of the tiling and does not pass to vertices. To each vertex inside the curve  $\mathcal{C}$  we associate a  $\mathbb{P}^1$  with homogeneous coordinates  $[x_i : u_i]$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, l$  over which we want to integrate with the measure

$$d\mu_i = u_i dx_i - x_i du_i . \quad (5)$$

To the end point of each cut edge outside  $\mathcal{C}$  we associate a parameter  $a_j \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, r$ . The graph is constructed by the  $l$  vertices with propagators

$$P_{ij}^I = \frac{1}{(x_i - x_j)^{w_{ij}}} , \quad P_{ij}^E = \frac{1}{(x_i - a_j)^{w_{ij}}} . \quad (6)$$

To be conformal in  $D$  dimension the weights of propagators incident to each vertex  $V_i$  has to fulfill

$$\sum w_{ij} = D \quad (7) \quad 55$$

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We deal mainly with  $D = 2$  and choose the propagator weights all equal  $w_{ij} = w = 2/\nu(V)$ , where  $\nu(V)$  is the valence of the vertices, i.e. for the hexagonal tiling we have  $w = \frac{2}{3}$ , for the quartic tiling  $w = \frac{1}{4}$  and for the trigonal tiling  $w = \frac{1}{3}$ .

To the hexagonal and the quartic lattice we can associate an in general singular  $l$ -dimensional Calabi-Yau variety  $M_l$  as the  $d = 3$  or  $d = 2$  fold cover

$$W = \frac{y^d}{d} - P([\underline{x} : \underline{u}]; \underline{a}) = 0 \quad (8)$$

over the base  $B = (\mathbb{P}^1)^l$  branched at

$$P([\underline{x} : \underline{w}]; \underline{a}) = \prod_{ij} (u_j x_i - x_j u_i) \prod_{ij} (x_i - a_j u_i) = 0, \quad (9)$$

respectively. The orders of the covering automorphism exchanging the sheets will play a crucial role in the following geometric analysis

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Note that (8) defines a Calabi-Yau manifold, because the canonical class of the base is with  $H_i$  the hyperplane class of the  $i$ 'th  $\mathbb{P}^1$  given by

$$K_B = 2 \bigoplus_{i=1} H_i, \quad (10)$$

and the Calabi-Yau condition ensuring  $K_{M_i} = 0$

$$\frac{d}{d-1} K_B = [P([\underline{x} : \underline{u}]; \underline{a})] = \nu \bigoplus_{i=1} H_i \quad (11)$$

is true with  $d = 3, 2$  as  $\nu = 3, 4$  for graphs from the hexagonal and the quartic tiling, respectively.

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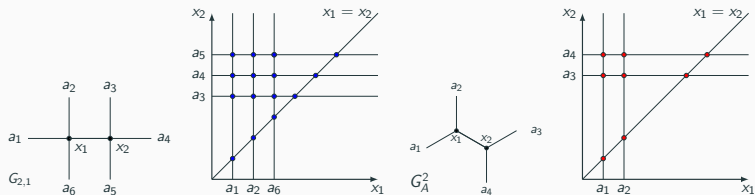
Another way of stating this is that the periods over the unique holomorphic  $(\ell, 0)$ -form, given by the Griffiths residuum form  $\Omega$

$$\Pi_G = \int_C \Omega = \int_C \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{dy \prod_{i=1}^l d\mu_i}{W} = \int_C \frac{\prod_{i=1}^l d\mu_i}{\partial_y W} = \int_C \frac{\prod_{i=1}^l d\mu_i}{\rho^{\frac{d-1}{d}}} = \int_C \prod_{ij} P_{ij}^I \prod_{ij} P_{ij}^E \prod_{i=1}^l d\mu_i, \quad (12)$$

are well defined. The significance for the application is that these period integrals over cycles  $C \in H_l(M_l, \mathbb{Z})$  are building blocks for the amplitudes.

$$I_G = \int_C \Omega = \int \sqrt{\left| \prod_{ij} P_{ij}^I \prod_{ij} P_{ij}^E \right|^2} \prod_{i=1}^l d\mu_i \wedge d\bar{\mu}_i, \quad (13)$$

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**Figure 3:** Singularities of the  $K3$  denoted for the valence 4 graph  $M_{G_{1,2}}$  and the valence 3 graph  $M_{G_A^2}$ . Note that 3 of the  $a_i$  can be set to  $0, 1, \infty$  by a diagonal  $PSL(2, \mathbb{C})$  acting on the projective plane in which the  $a_i$  lie

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$$I = i^{l^2} \Pi^\dagger \Sigma \Pi = e^{-K(\underline{z}, \bar{\underline{z}})} = \text{Vol}_q(M^{(m,n)})$$

and globally by analytic continuation of the periods. Here  $M^{(m,n)}$  is the mirror of  $W^{(m,n)}$ .

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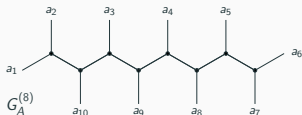
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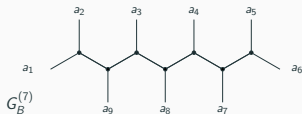
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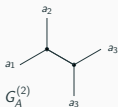
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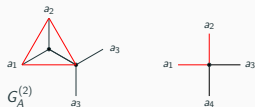
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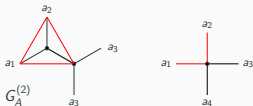


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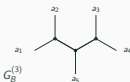


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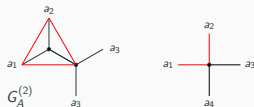
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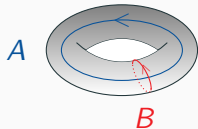
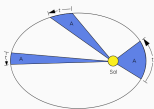
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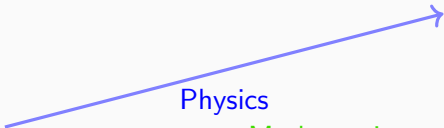
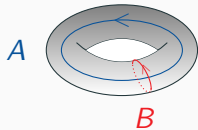
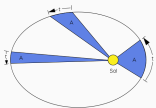
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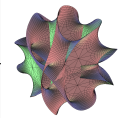
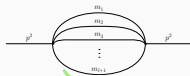


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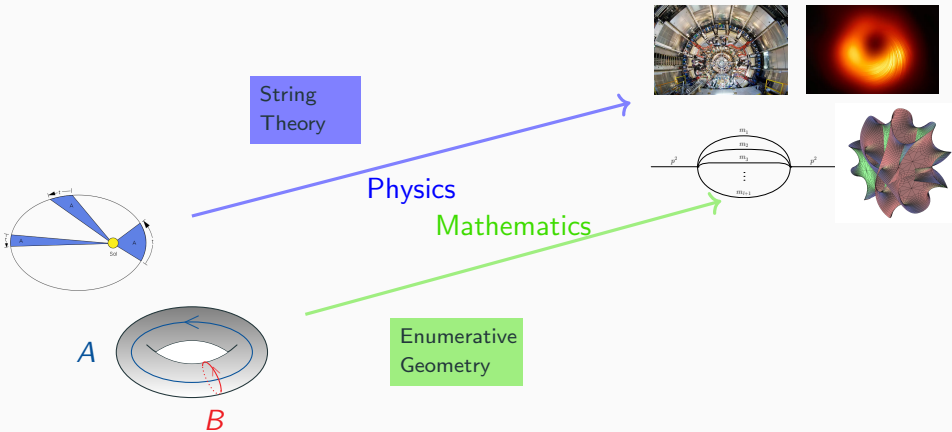


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