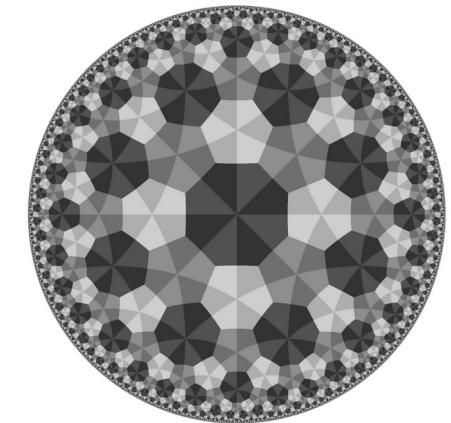
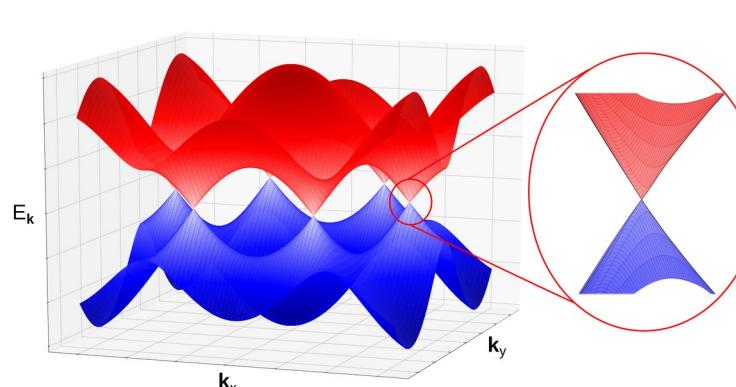
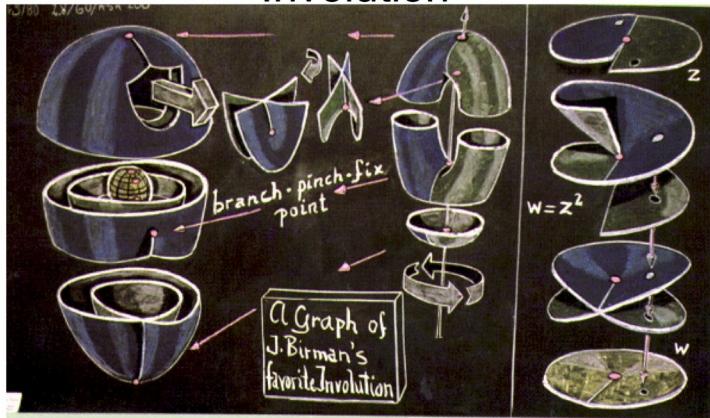


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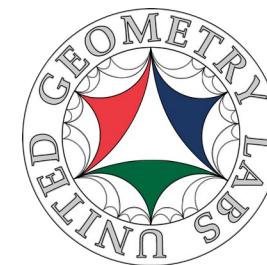


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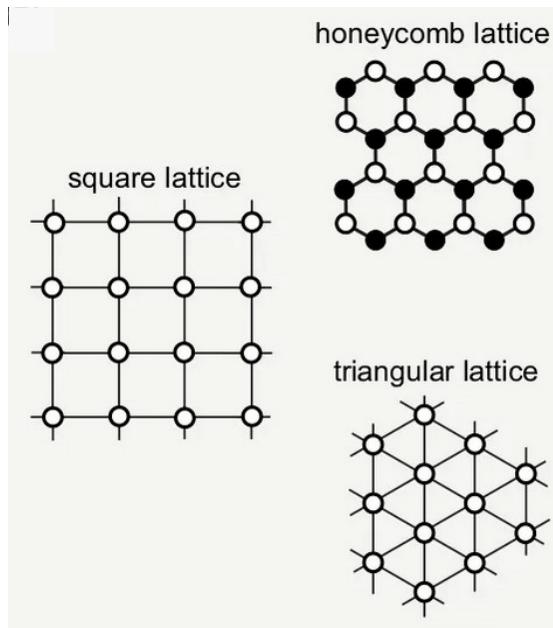
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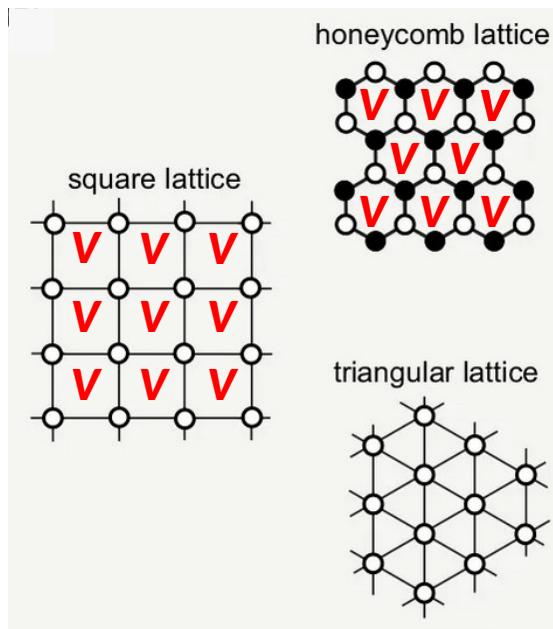
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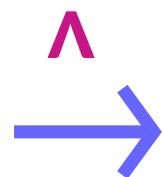
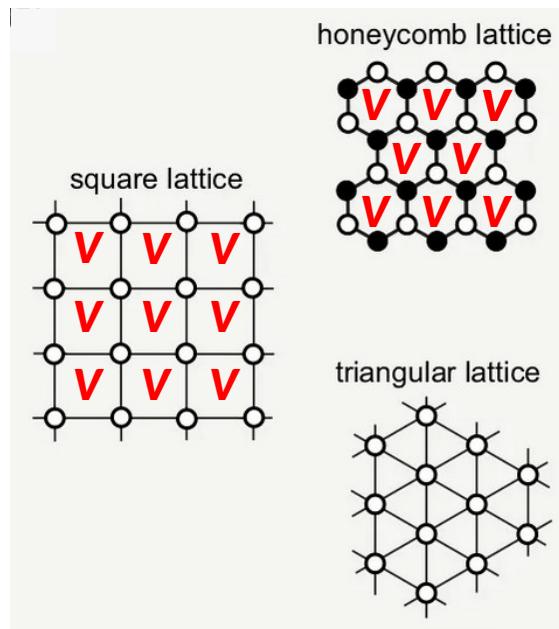
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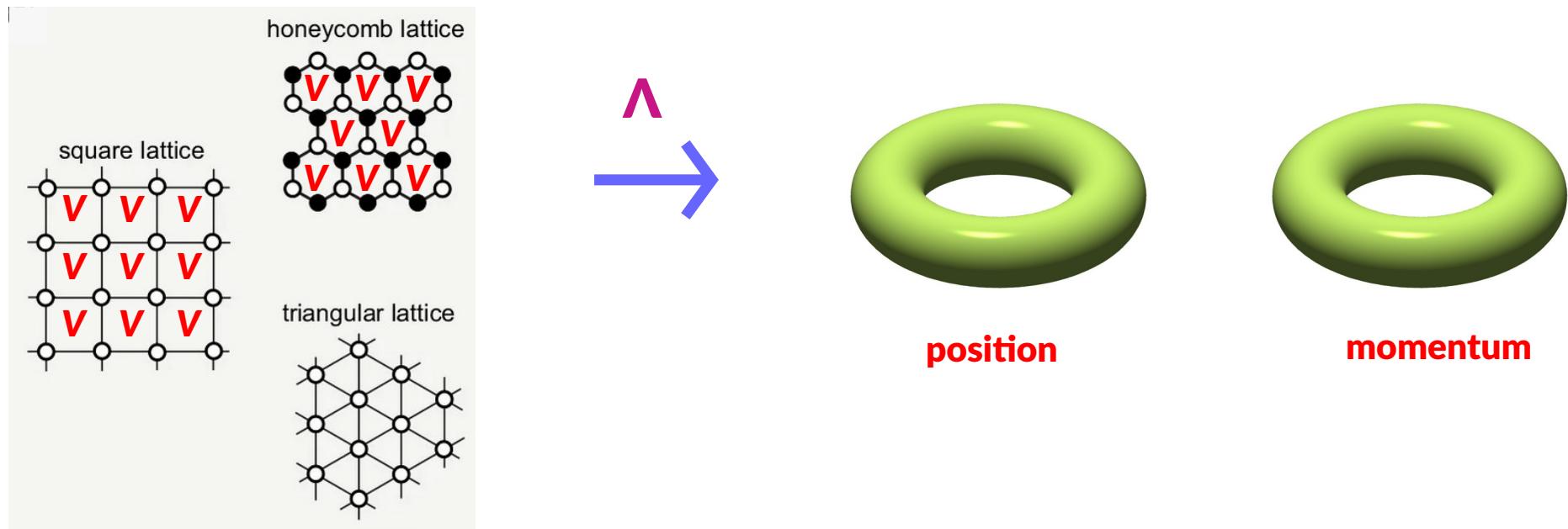
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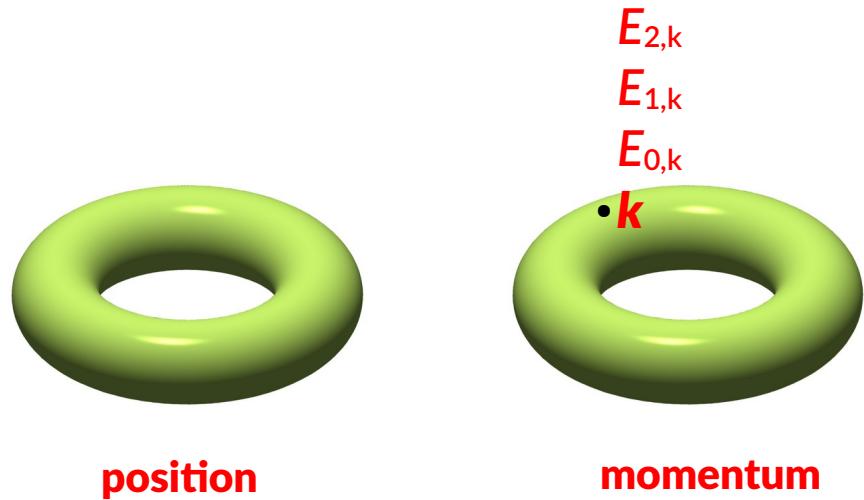
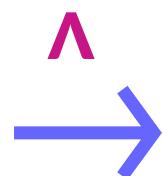
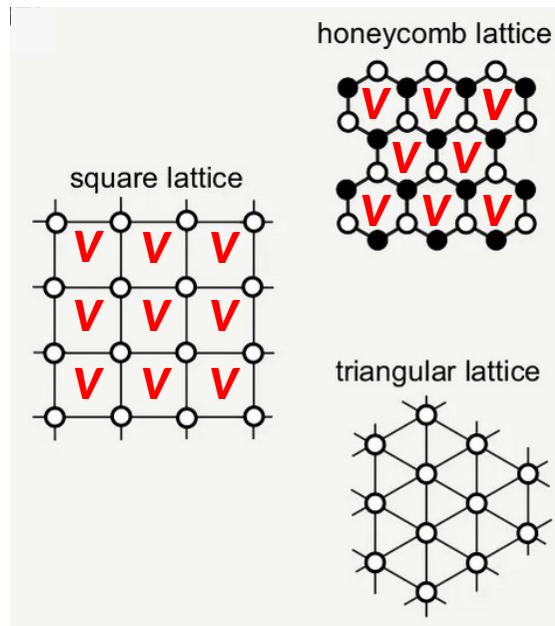
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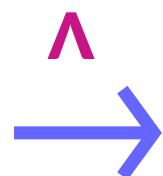
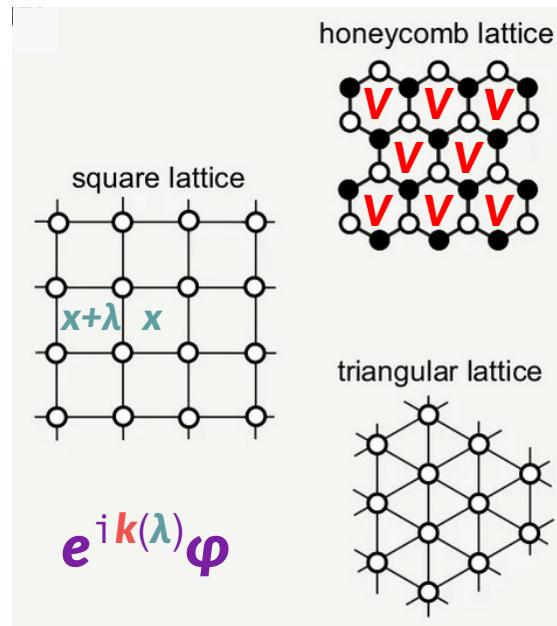
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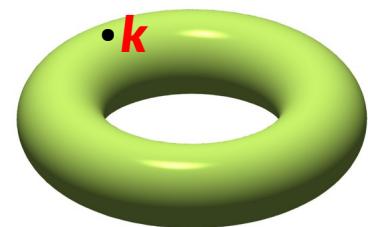
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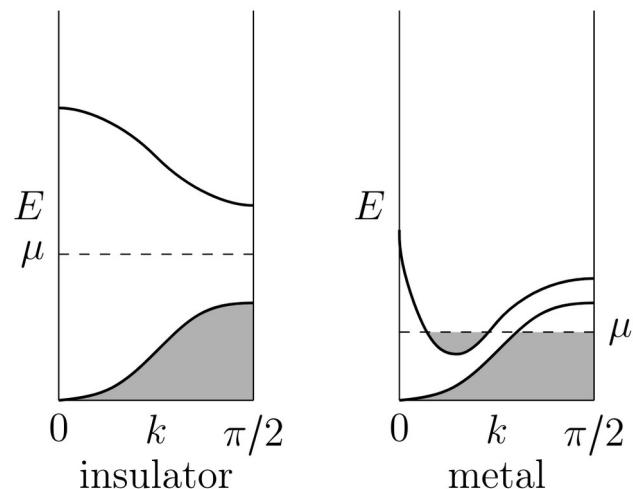
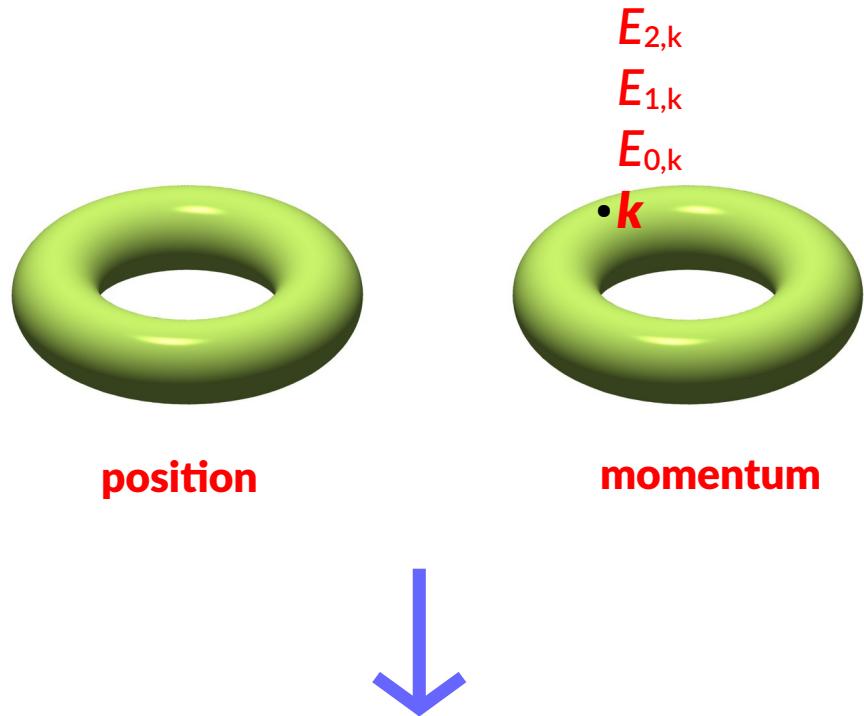
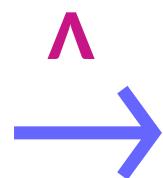
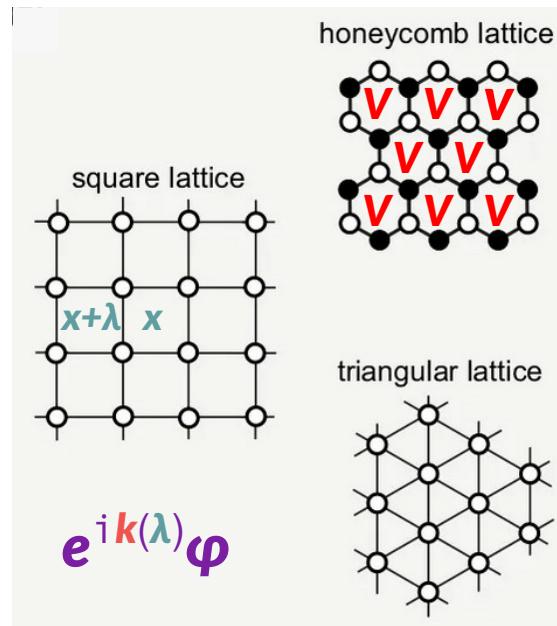
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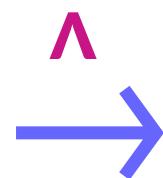
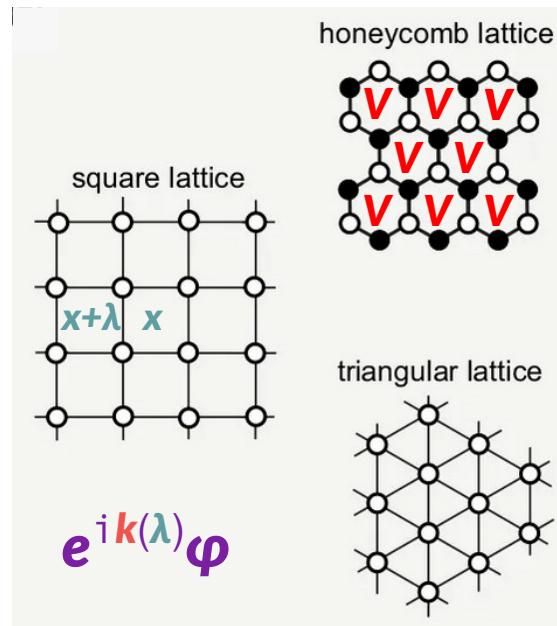
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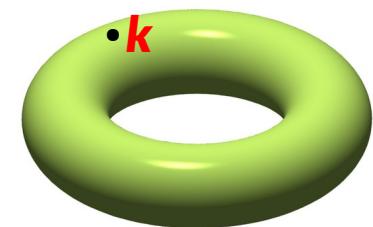
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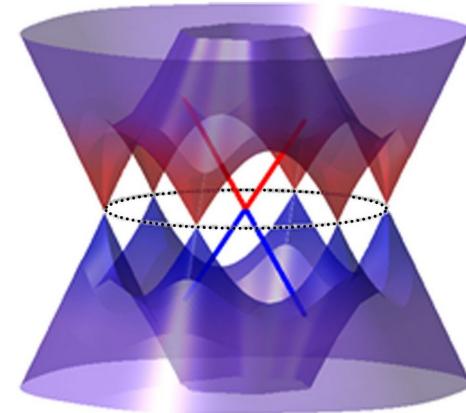
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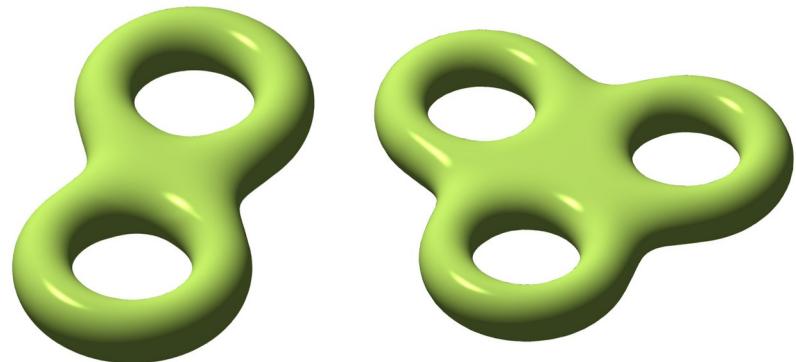
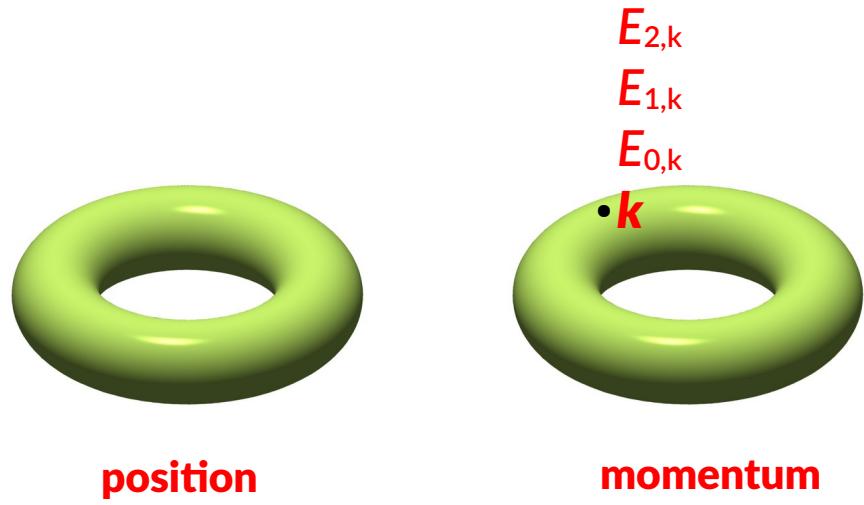
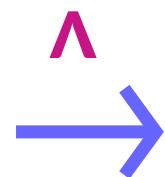
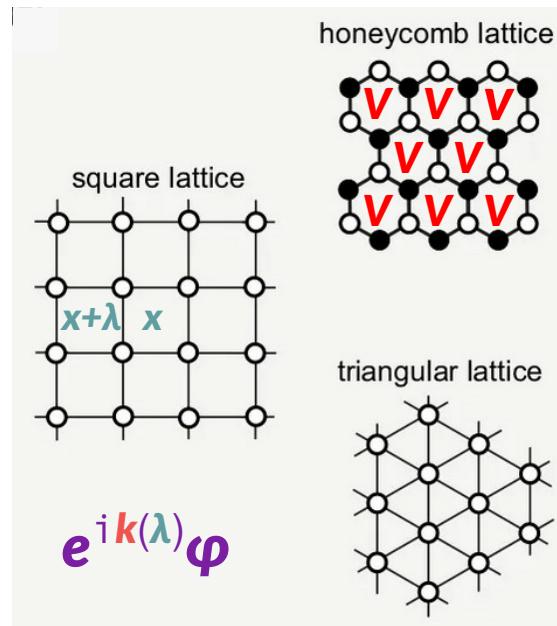
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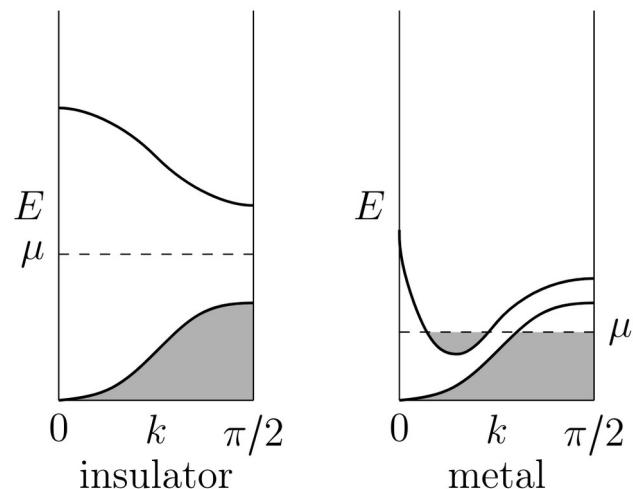
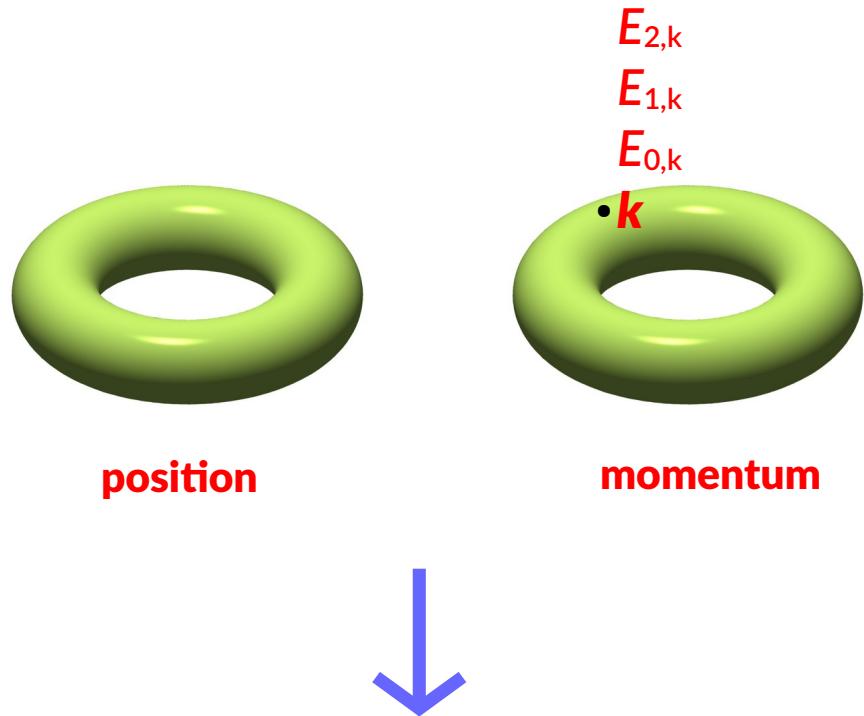
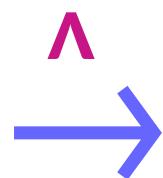
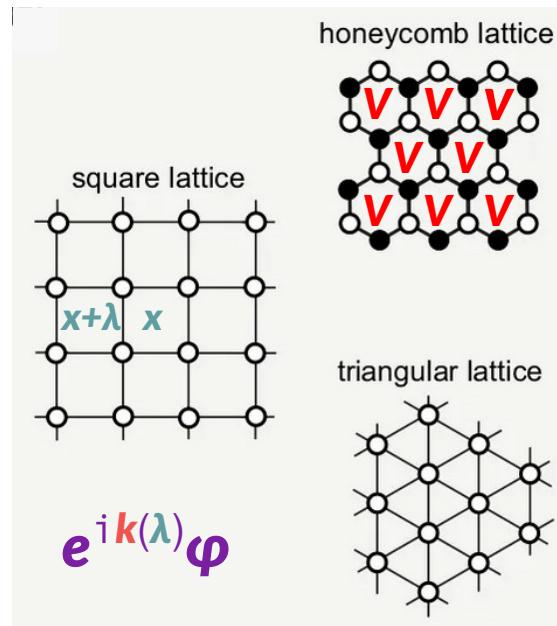
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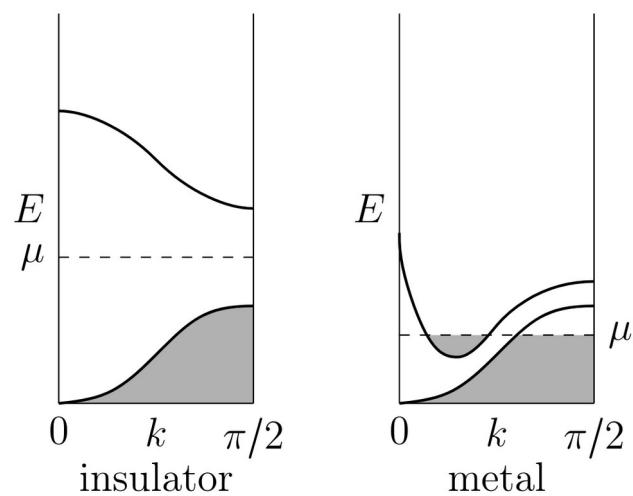
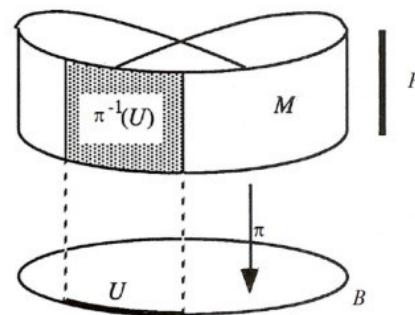
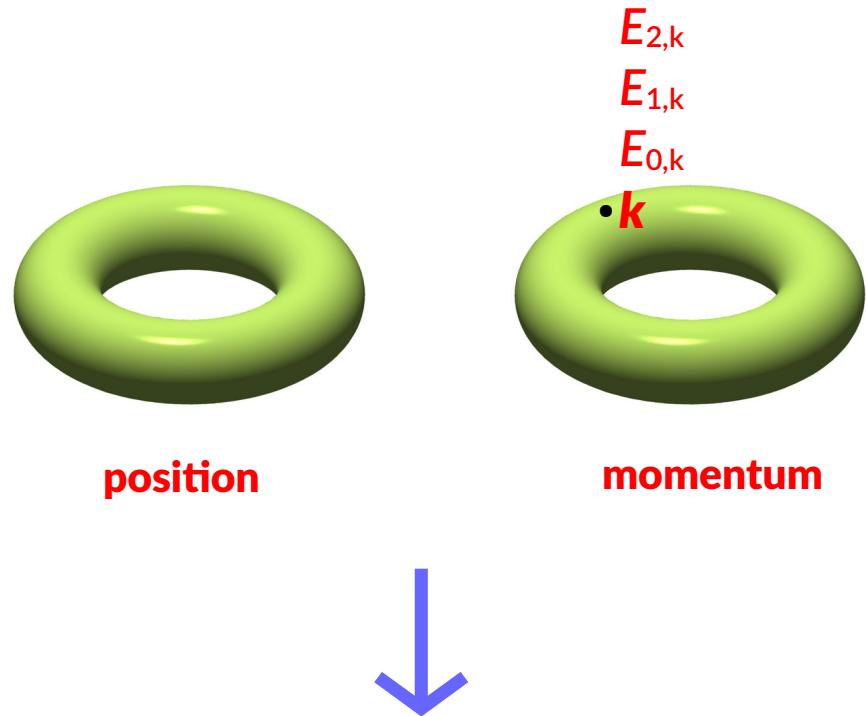
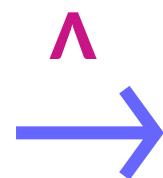
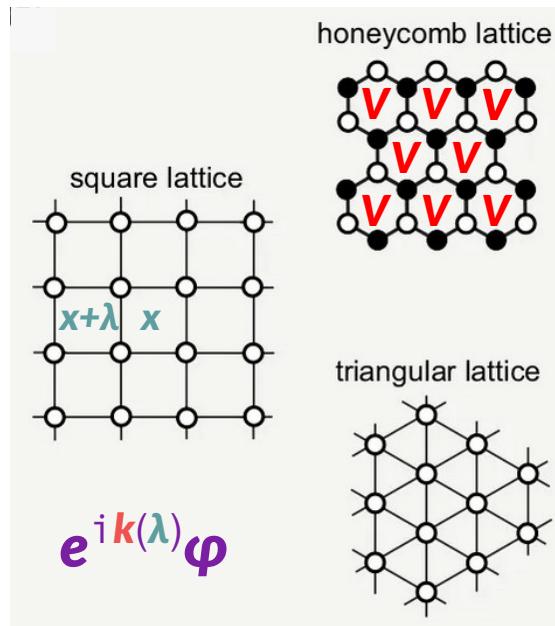
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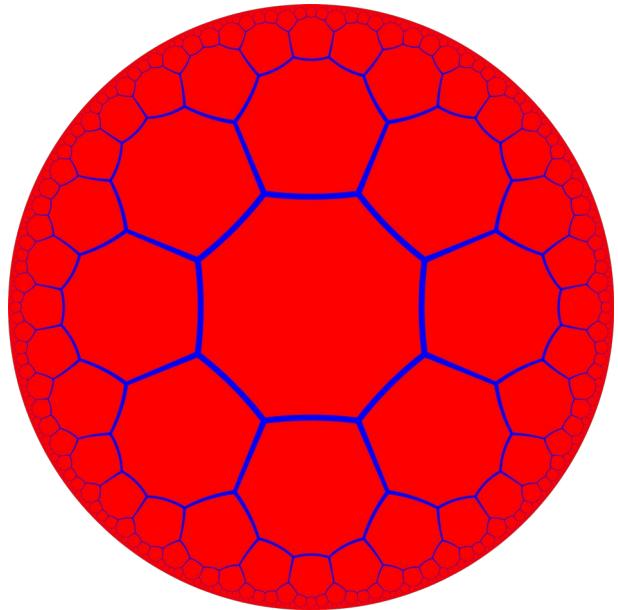


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Position space	Elliptic curve
Momentum space	Jacobian
Position-momentum duality	Abel-Jacobi map
Band structure	Branched cover of Jacobian
Band invariants	Genus, Chern classes

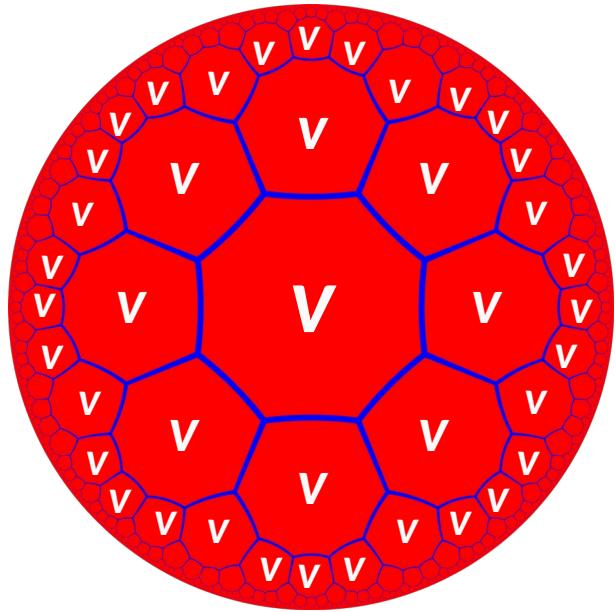
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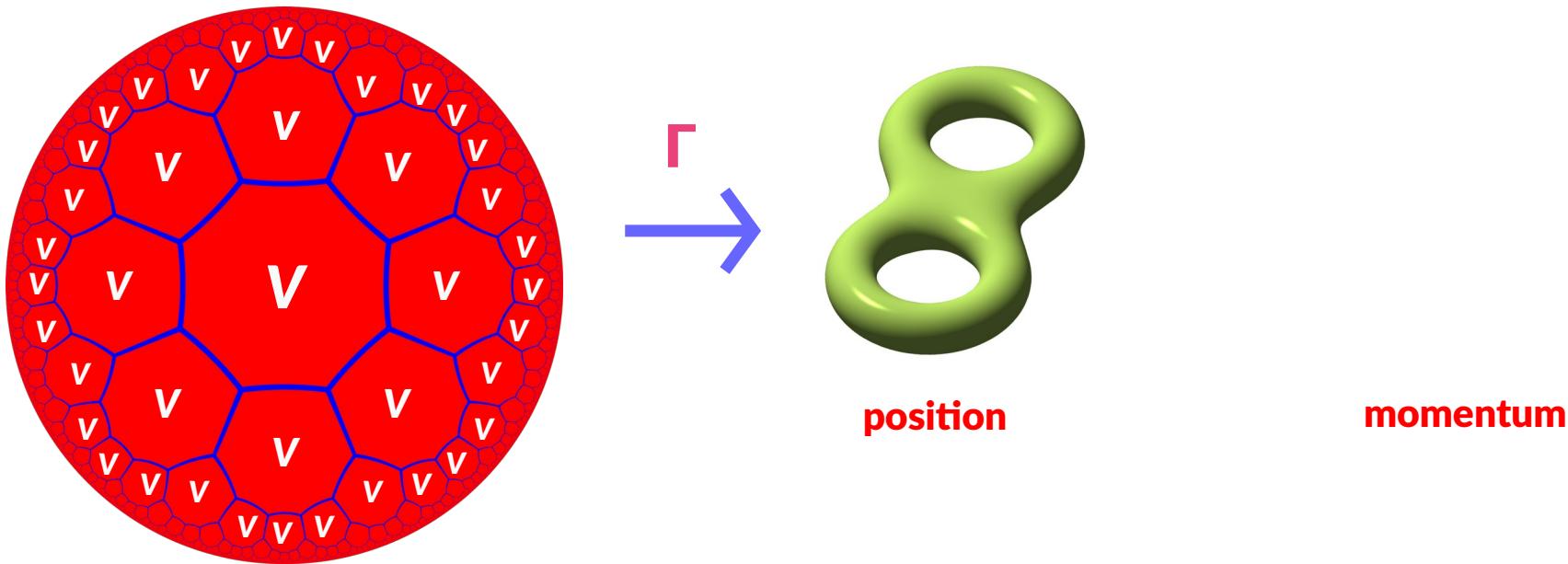
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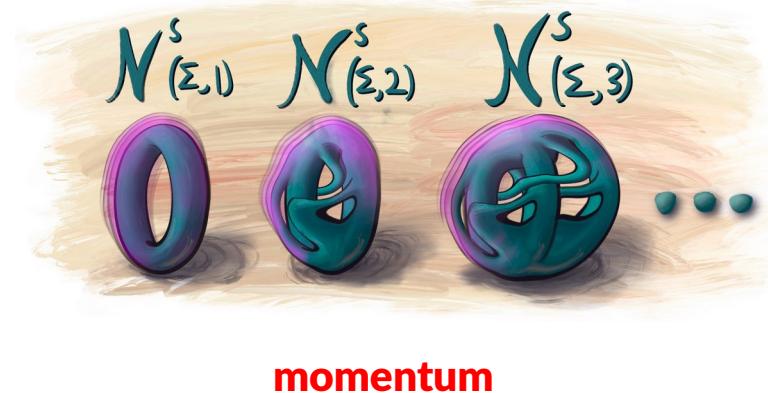
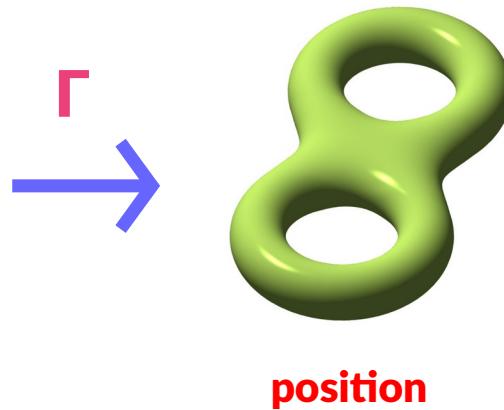
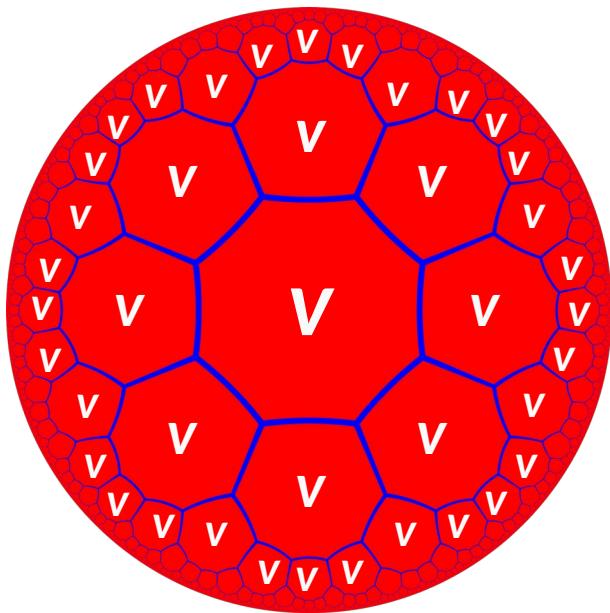
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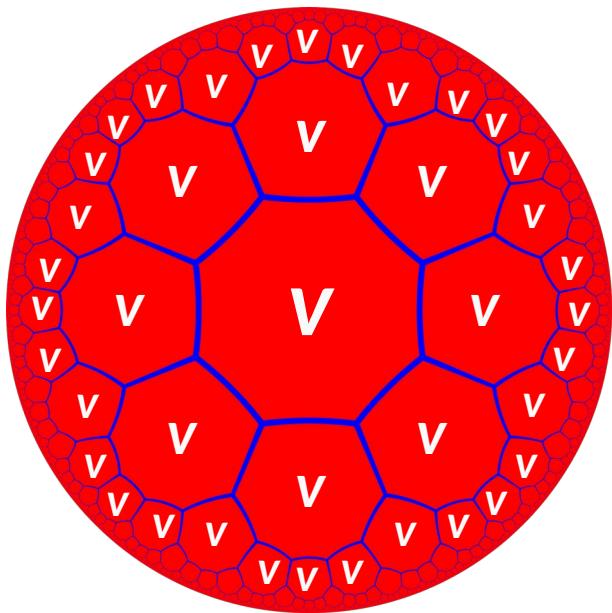
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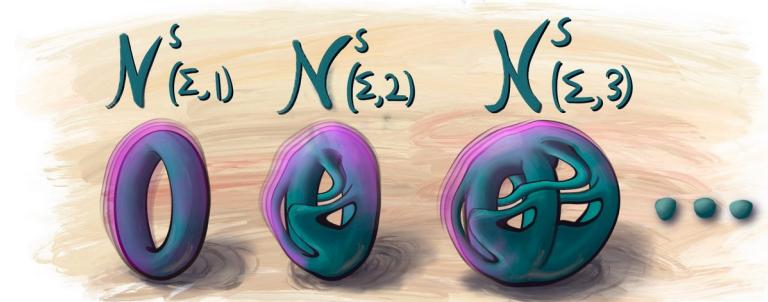
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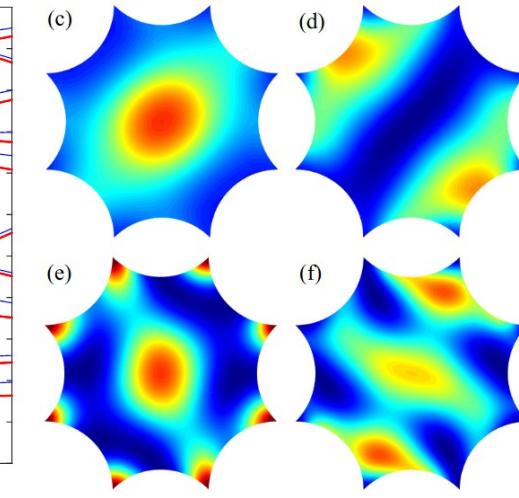
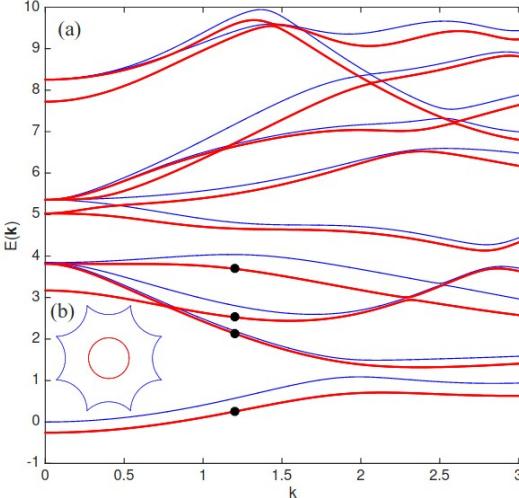
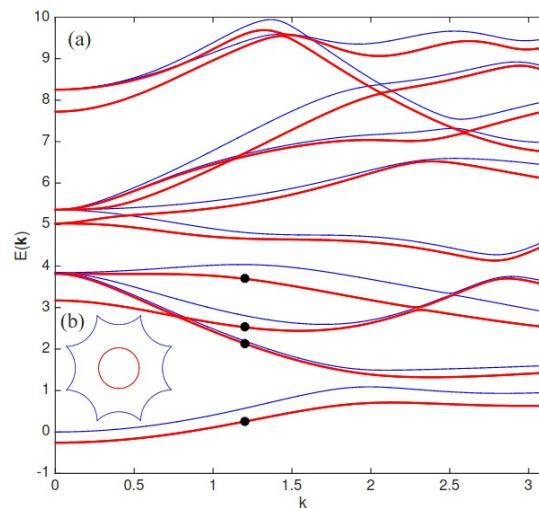
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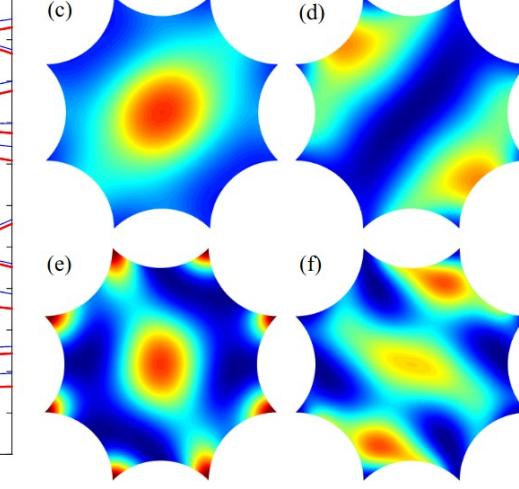
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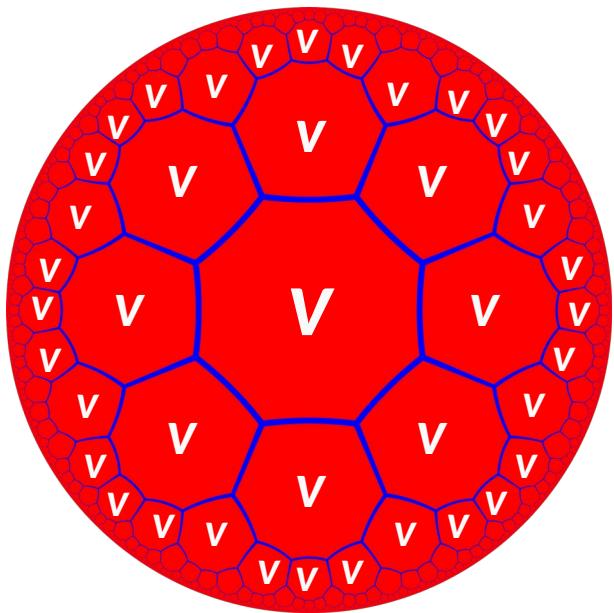


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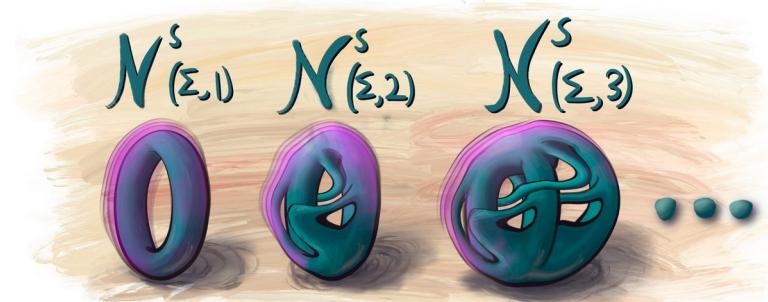
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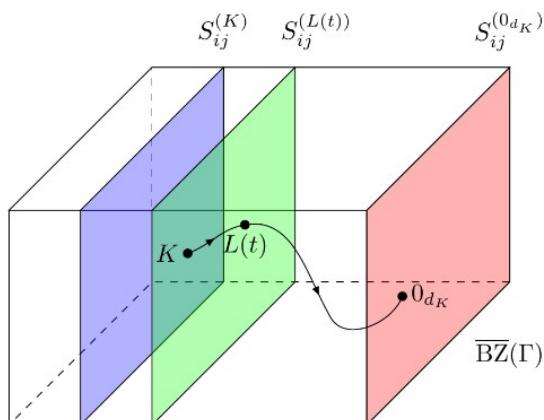
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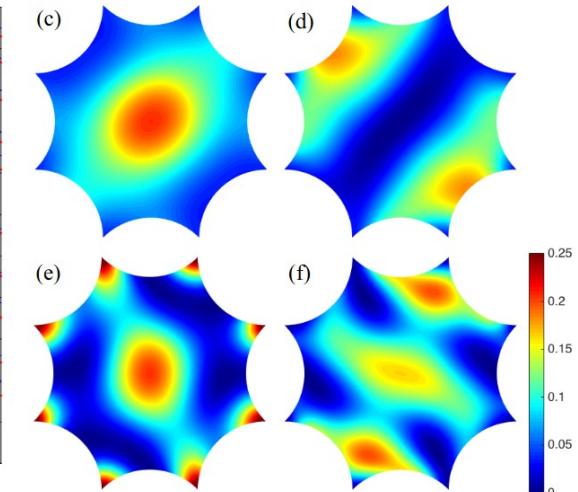
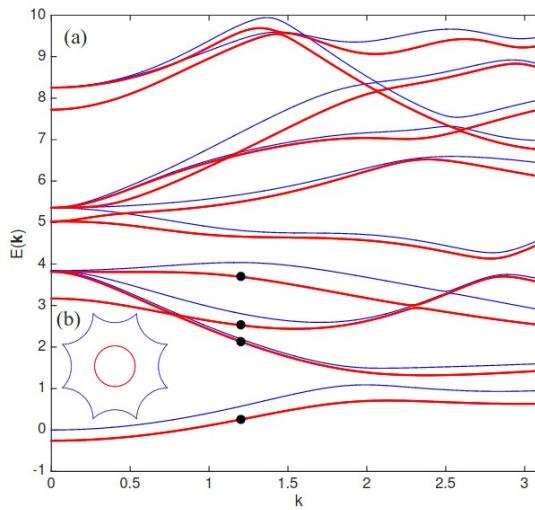
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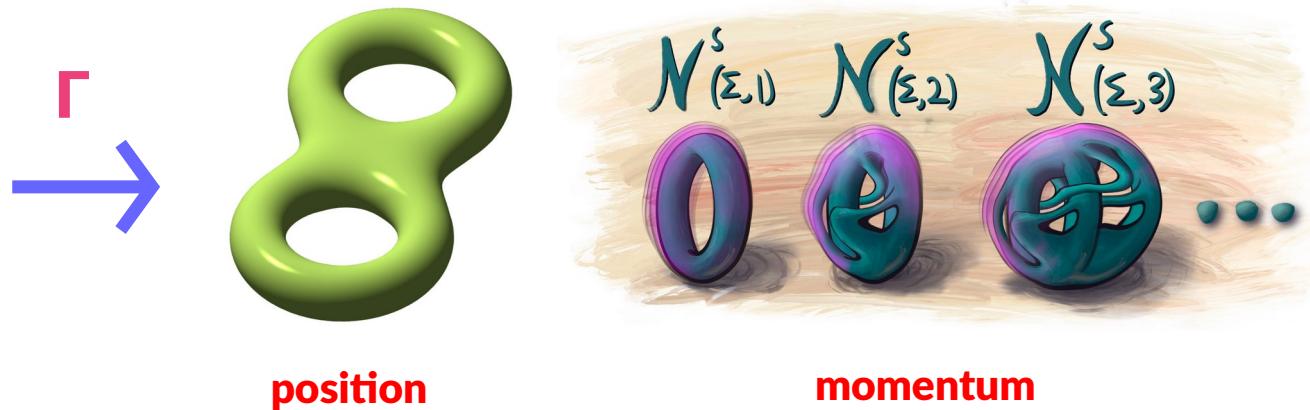
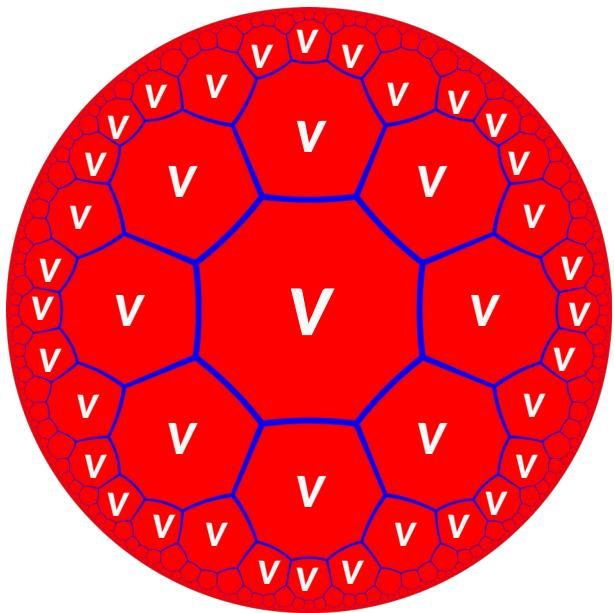


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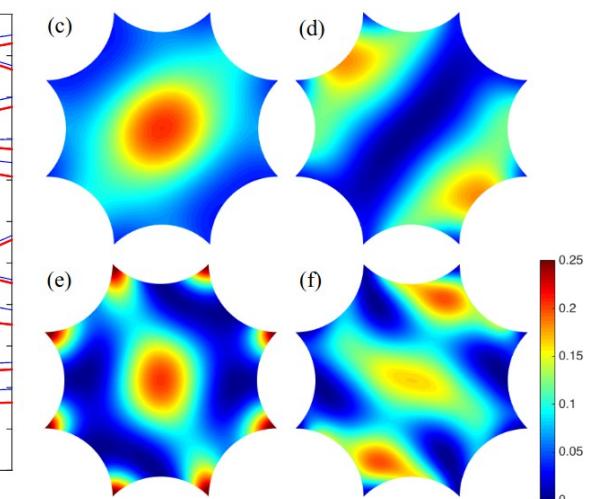
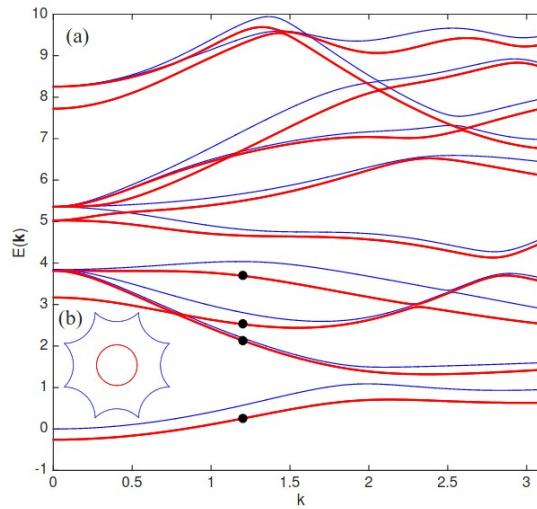
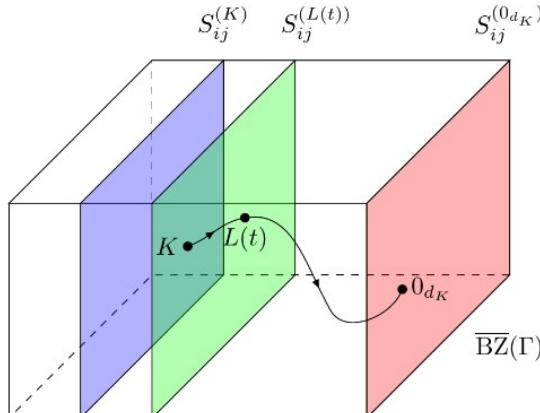
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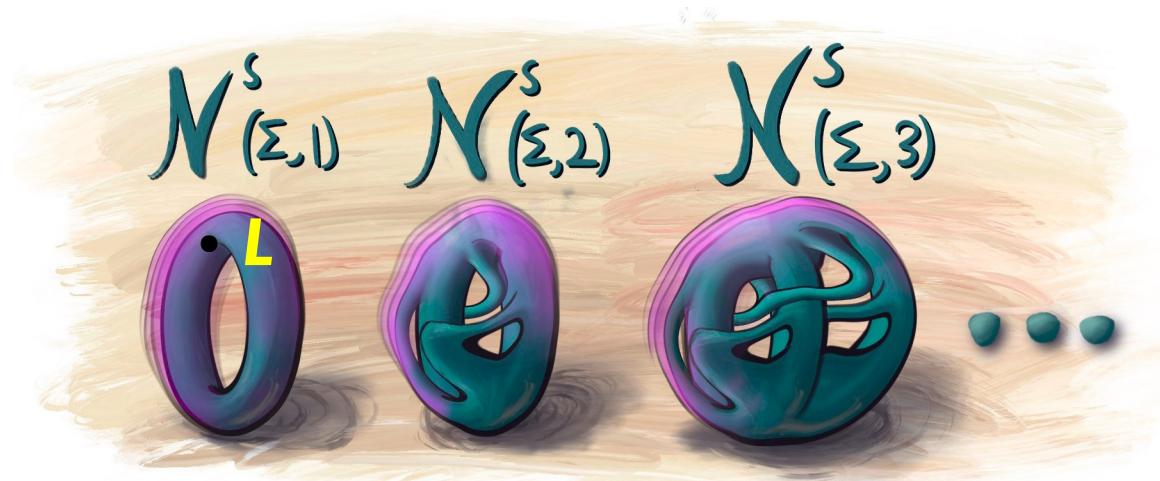
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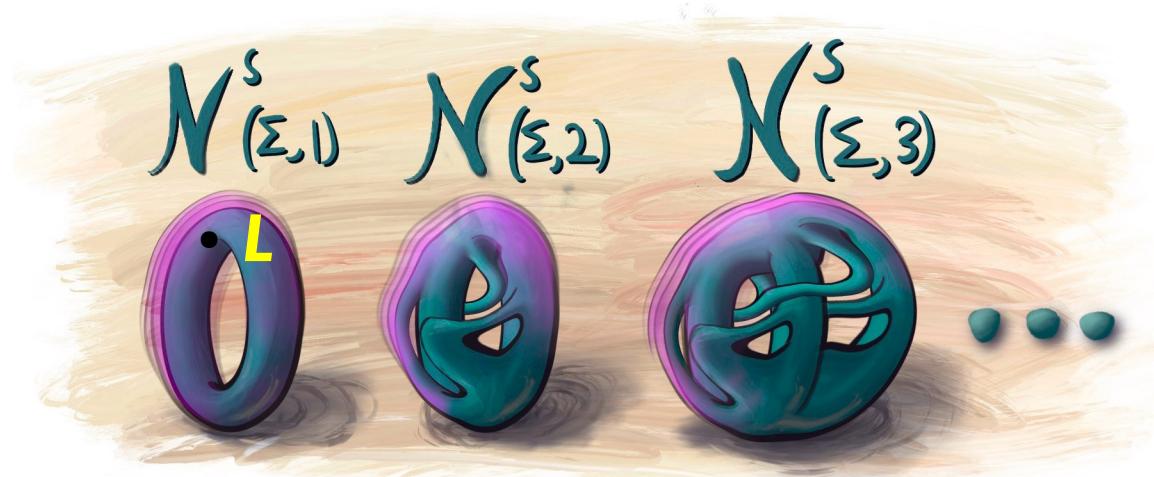
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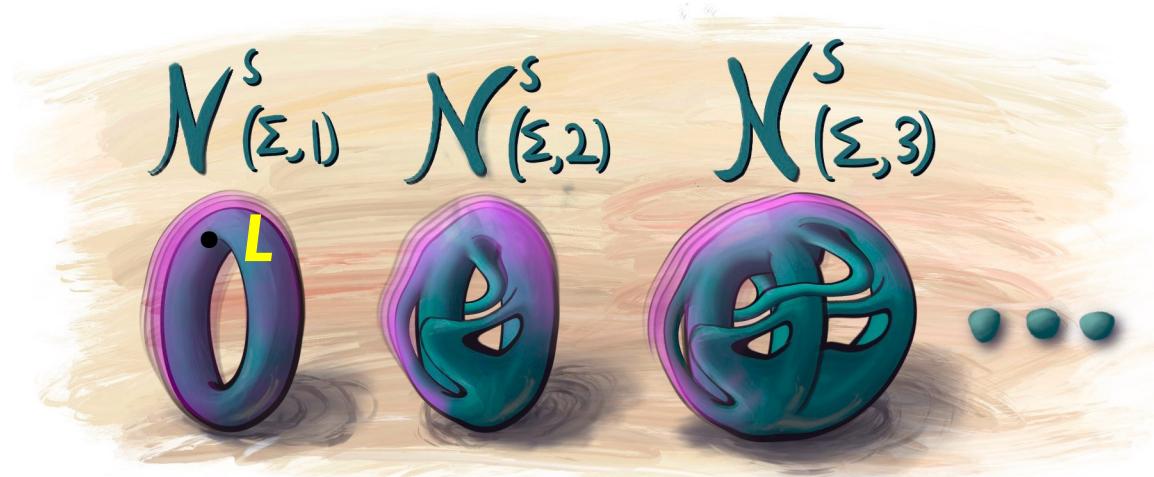
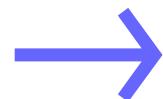
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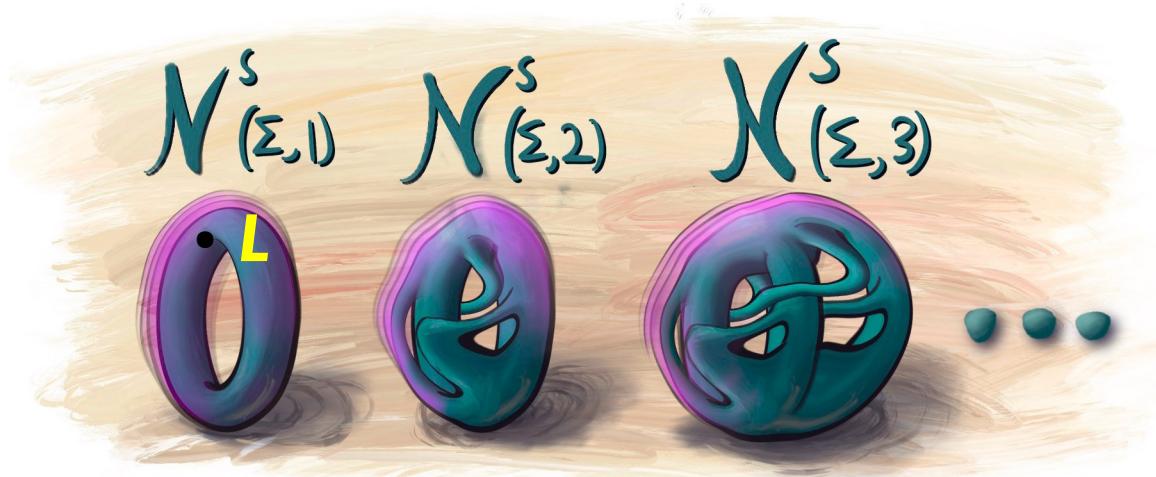
$\Rightarrow L \rightarrow \Sigma \approx (E, \theta) \rightarrow X$  via  
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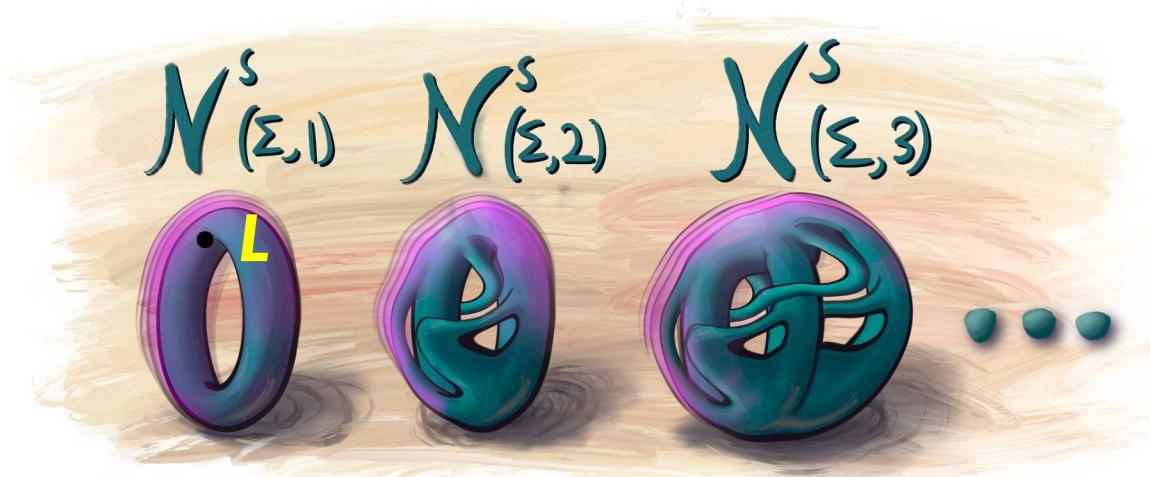
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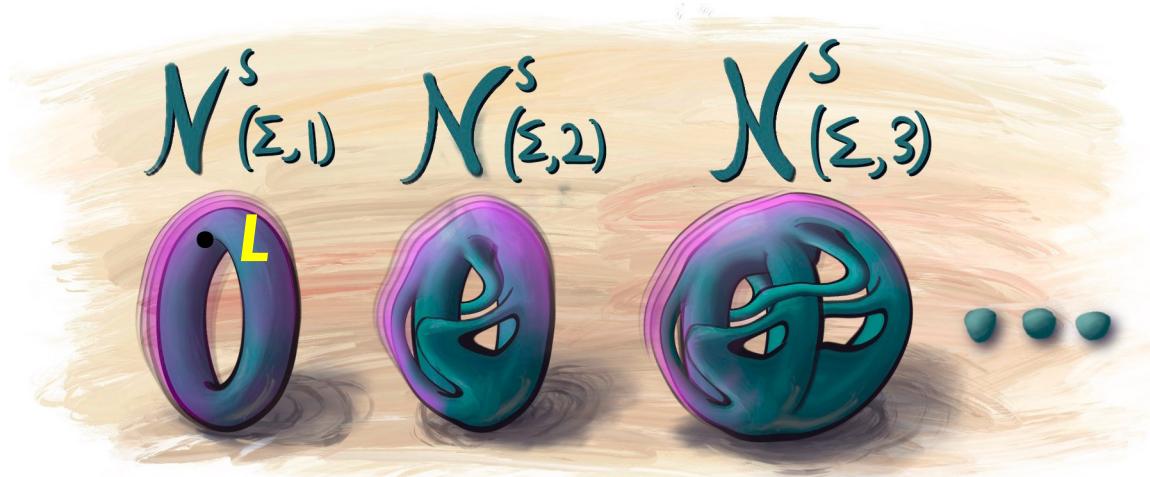
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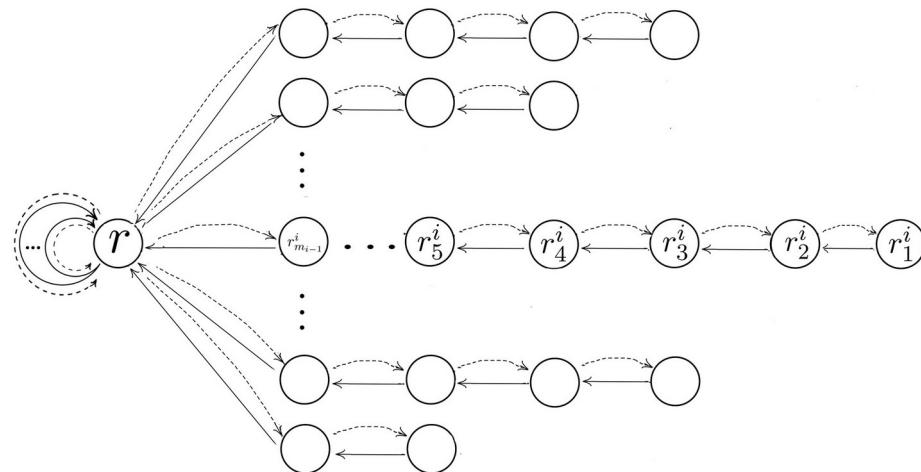


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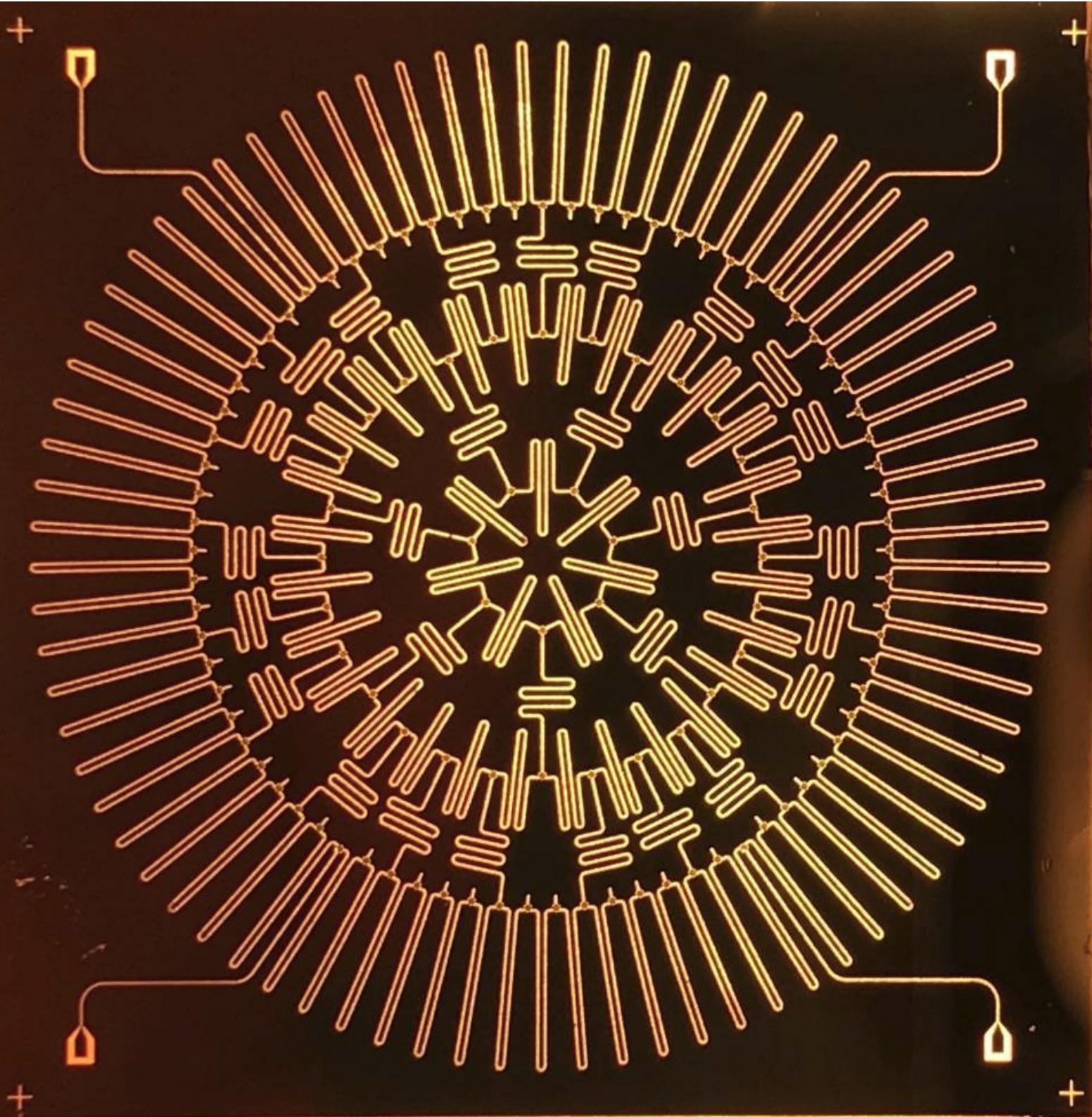
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- What is the role of the associated quiver gauge theory and quiver dualities in the band theory?
- Geometric engineering of QFTs  $\leftrightarrow$  band gap engineering?



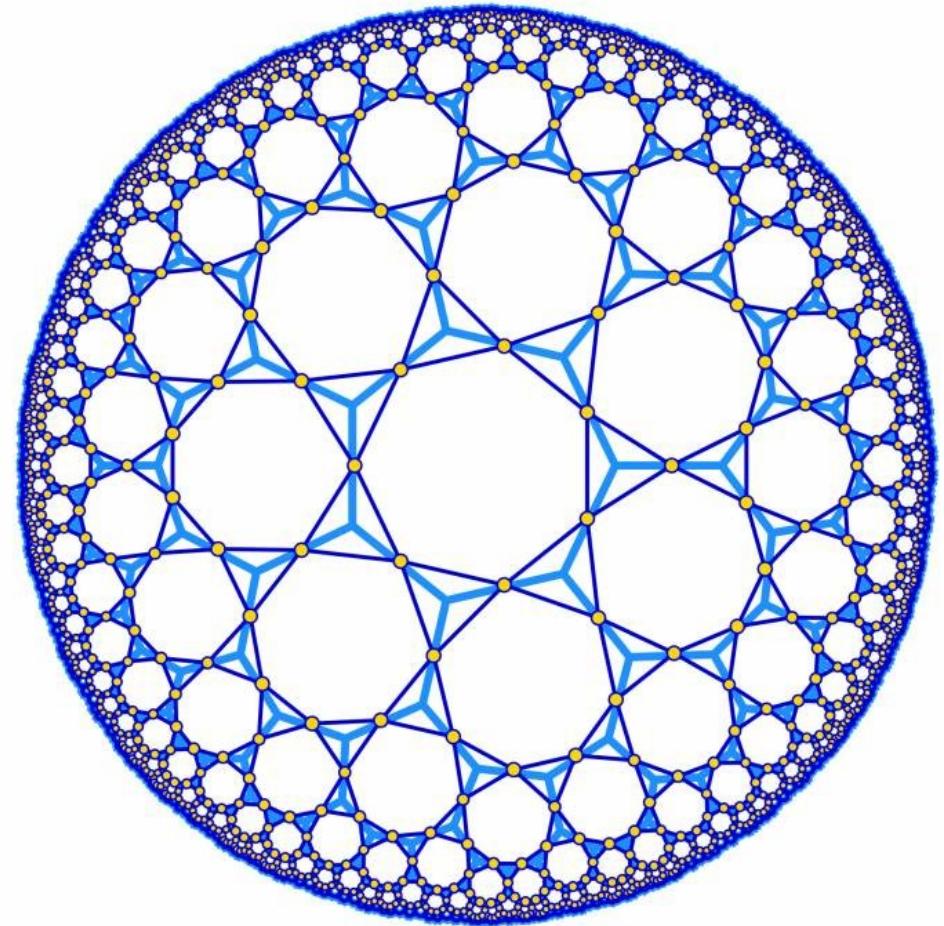
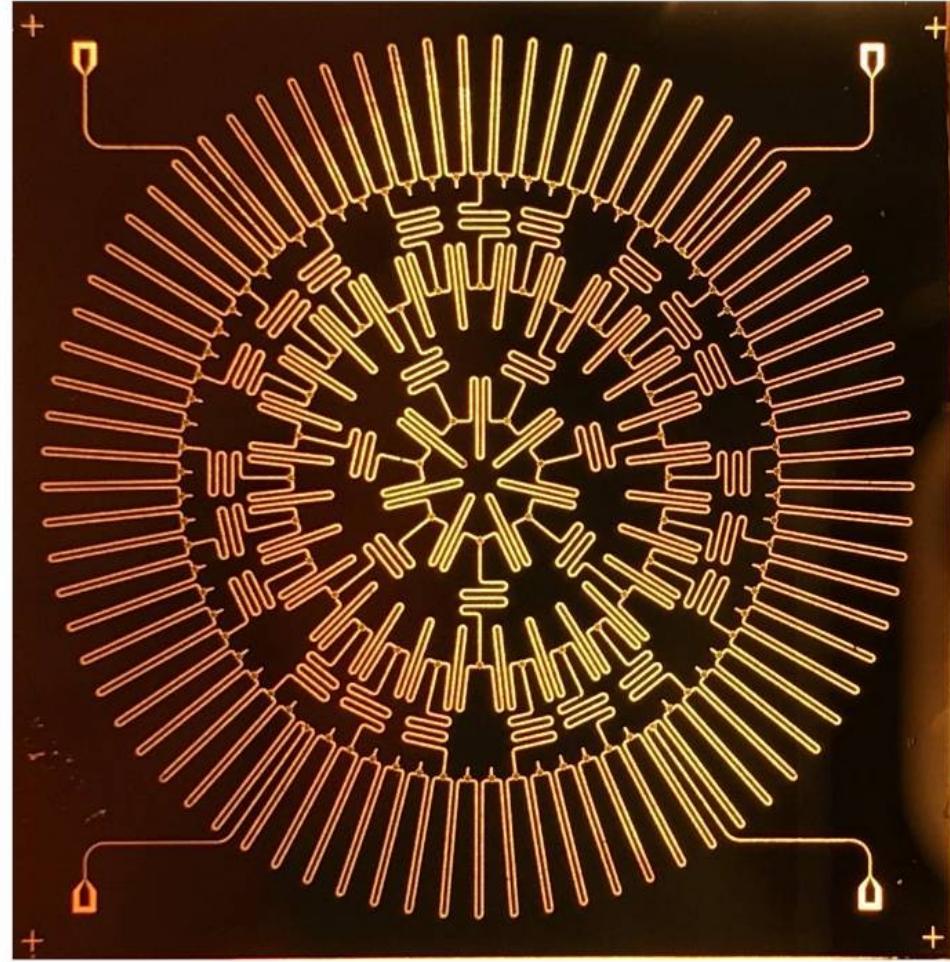
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- How can we physically access such matter?



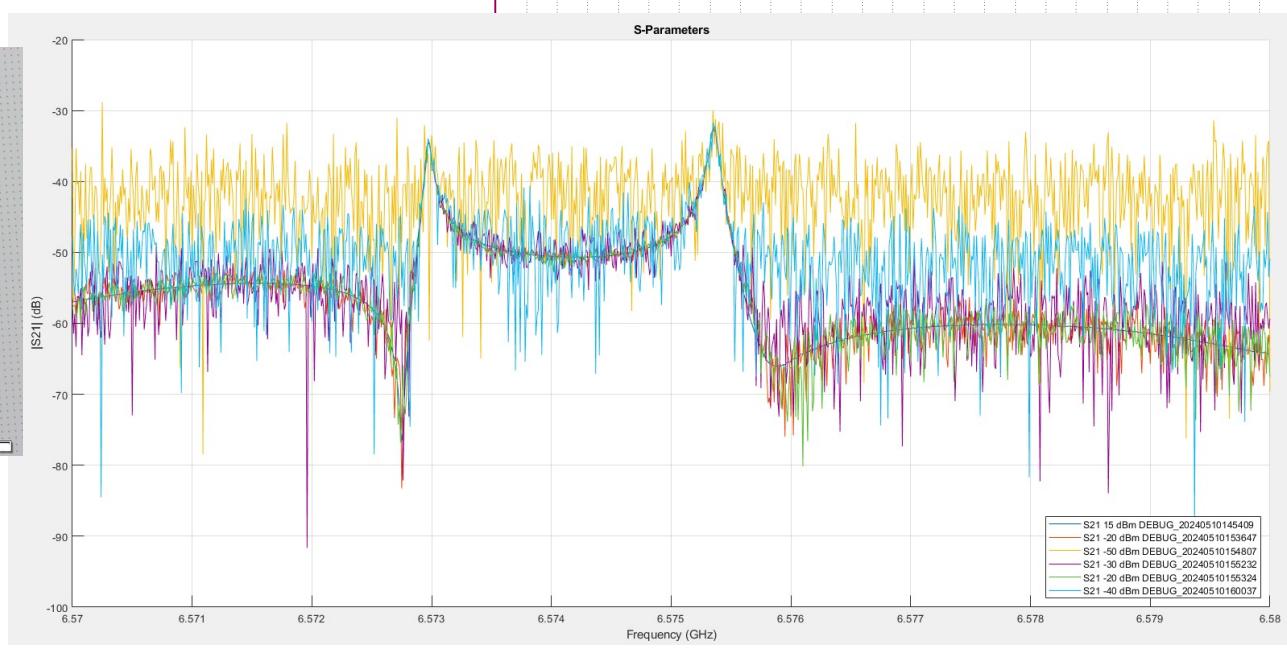
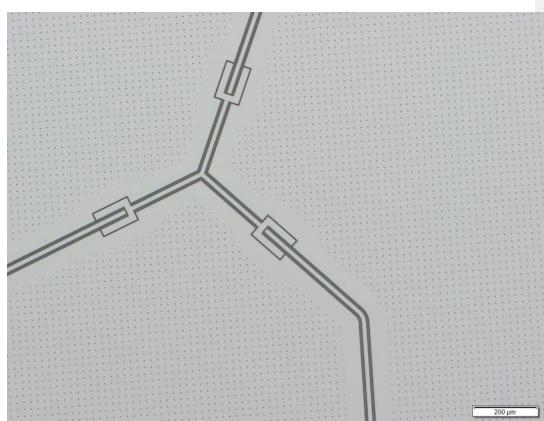
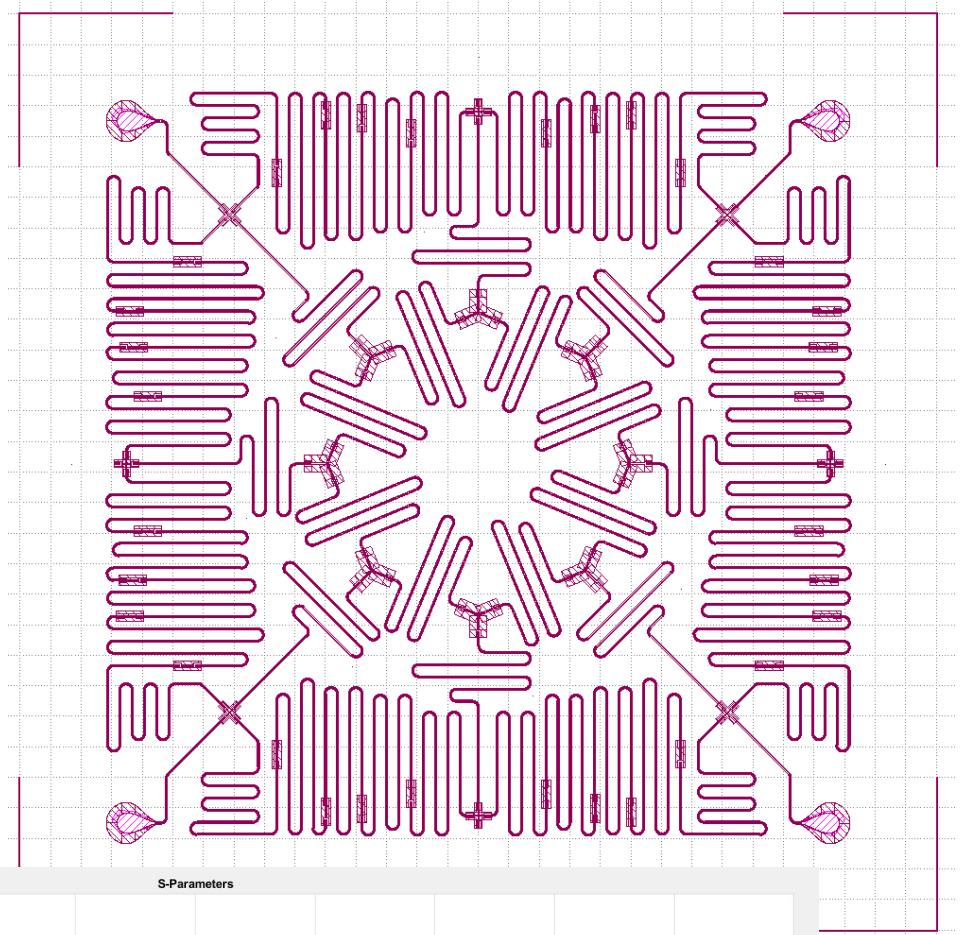
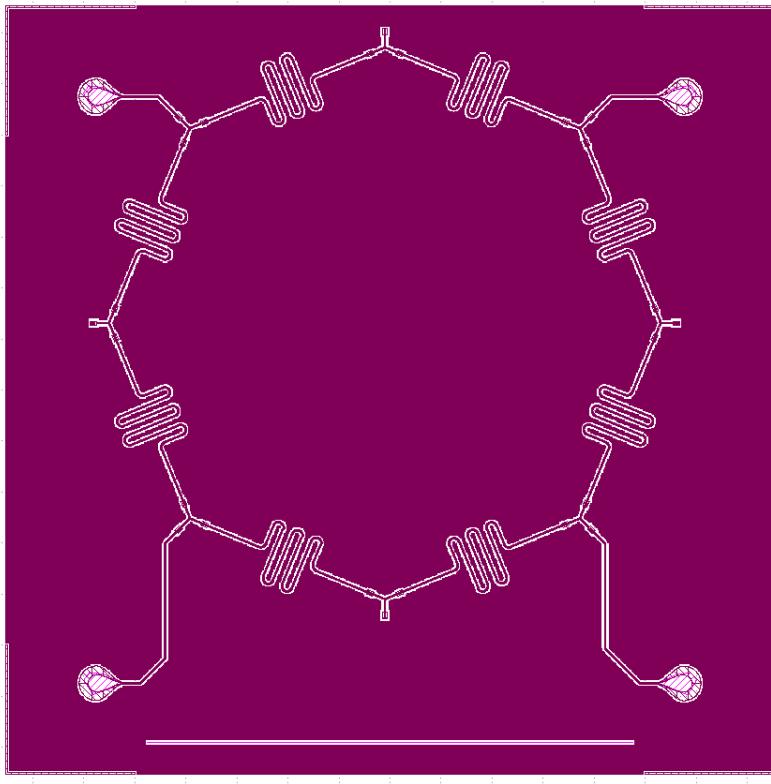


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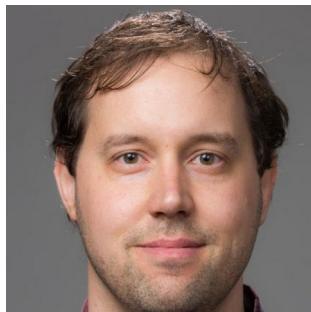
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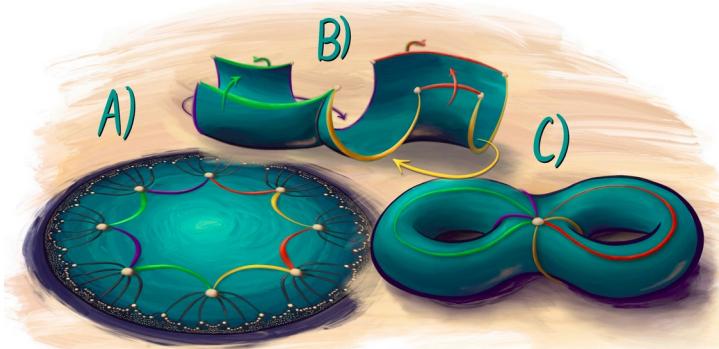
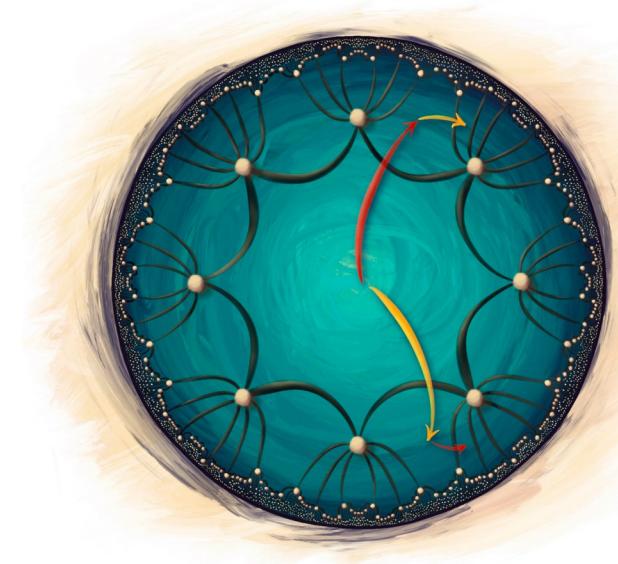
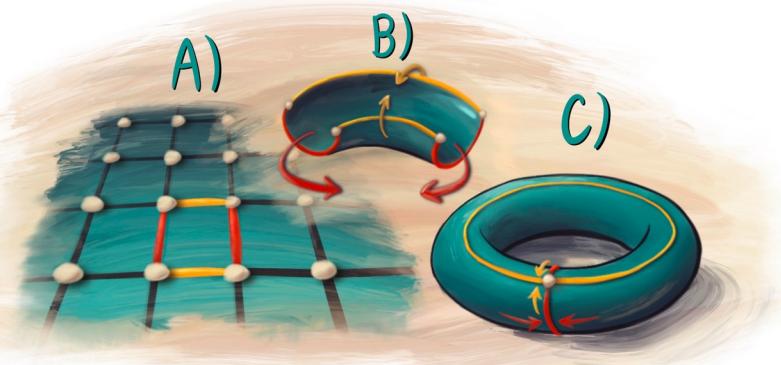


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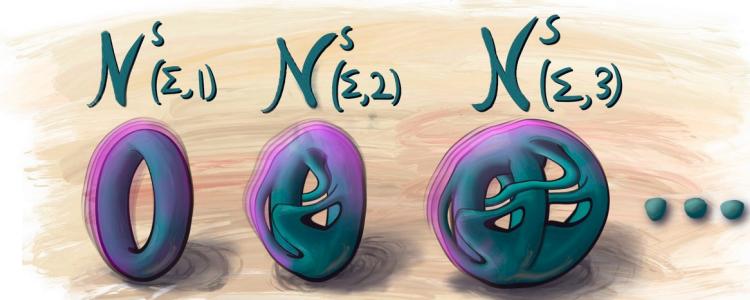
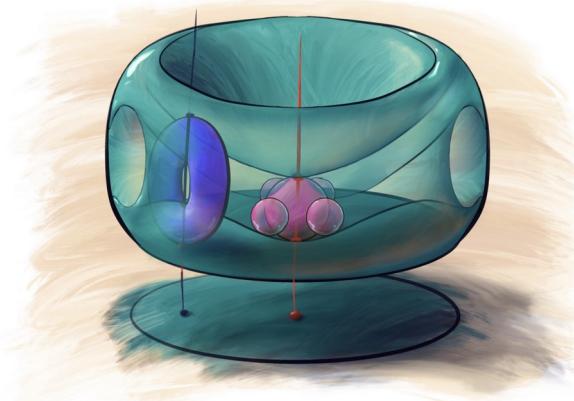


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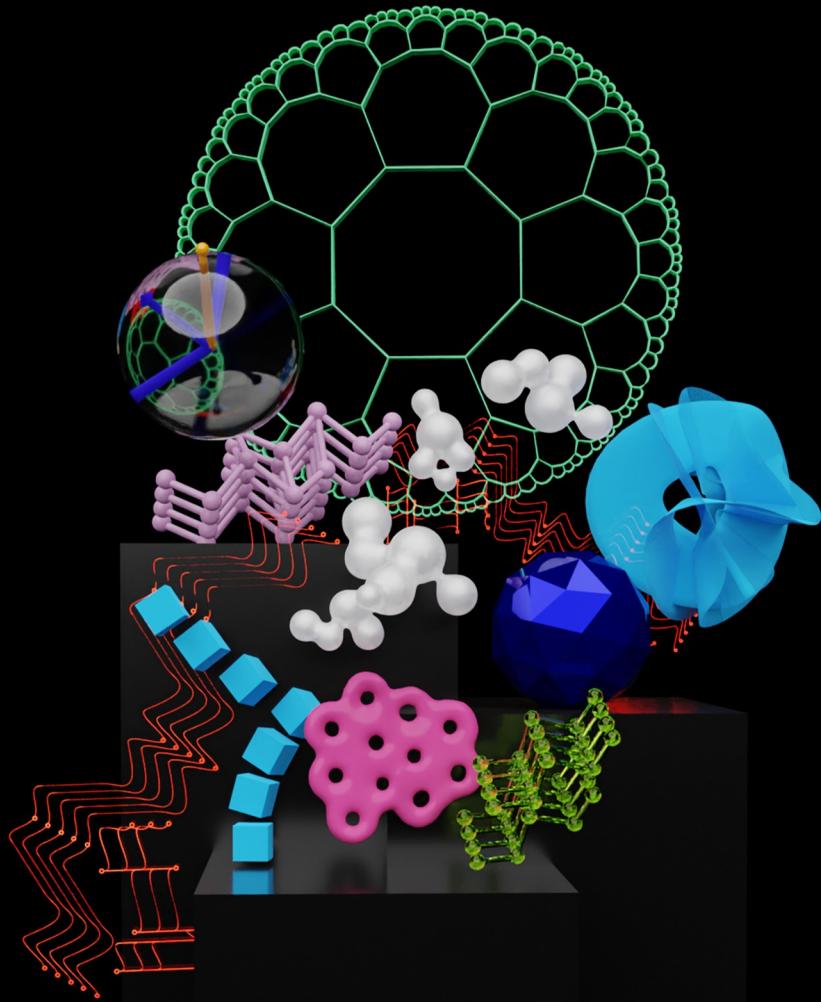
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