

ORTHOGONAL FOURIER ANALYSIS ON DOMAINS AND TILING PROBLEMS

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FOURIER ANALYSIS AT ITS SIMPLEST



- ▶ The Hilbert space $L^2([0, 1])$ has

$$e_n(x) = e^{2\pi i n \cdot x}, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z},$$

as an orthogonal basis.

- ▶ Inner product is $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{[0,1]} f(x) \overline{g(x)} dx$
- ▶ The $e_n(x)$ are orthogonal, normalized and complete.
- ▶ Unique expansion: $f(x) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \langle f, e_n \rangle e_n(x)$
- ▶ Here $\langle f, e_n \rangle = \int_{[0,1]} f(x) e^{-2\pi i n x} dx = \widehat{f}(n)$ are the Fourier coefficients of f .

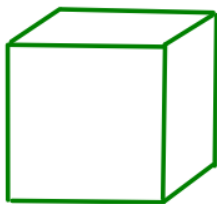
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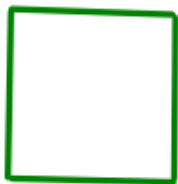
- ▶ d -dimensional Fourier series:

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is an orthogonal basis of $L^2([0, 1]^d)$.

- ▶ Here $n \cdot x = n_1 x_1 + n_2 x_2 + \dots + n_d x_d$.

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- ▶ **Observation:** In 1d and higher dim the set of frequencies has *density equal to the volume of space*.

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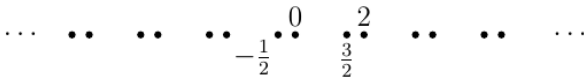
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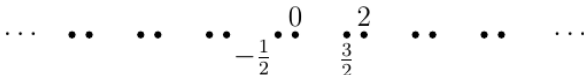
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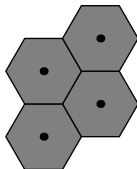
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The spectrum of a domain is *not unique*.

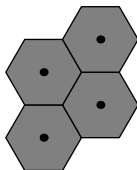
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Its T translates cover \mathbb{R}^d exactly (except for measure 0).

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Was led to this by:

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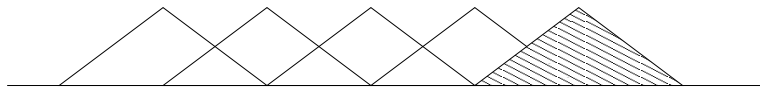
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on $C_c^\infty(\Omega)$, extend to a set of commuting, self-adjoint operators

$$H_1, \dots, H_d$$

on $L^2(\Omega)$?

WHEN DOES A FUNCTION TILE BY TRANSLATIONS?



Let $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $T \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$.

Def: We say f tiles by translations with T at level ℓ if

$$\sum_{t \in T} f(x - t) = \ell$$

for almost every $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ (absolute convergence).

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- ▶ So $\lambda \perp \mu$ (i.e. $e^{2\pi i \lambda \cdot x} \perp e^{2\pi i \mu \cdot x}$) \iff

$$\lambda - \mu \in Z\left(\widehat{\mathbf{1}_\Omega}\right) = \left\{ \xi \in \mathbb{R}^d : \widehat{f}(\xi) = 0 \right\}.$$

The zero set $Z\left(\widehat{\mathbf{1}_\Omega}\right)$ is the crucial geometric object!

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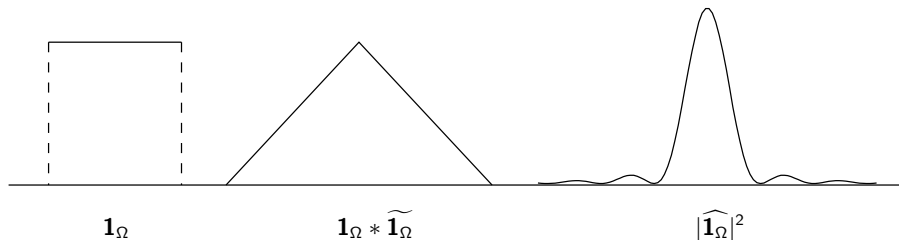
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- ▶ By completeness of all exponentials in $L^2(\Omega)$

$$\Lambda \text{ orthogonal \& complete} \iff \forall t \in \mathbb{R}^d : \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left| \widehat{\mathbf{1}_\Omega} \right|^2(t - \lambda) = |\Omega|^2.$$

(tiling condition)

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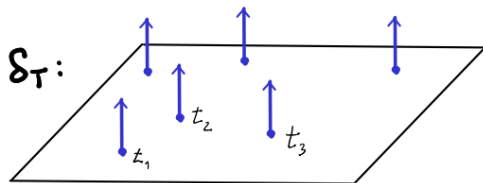


- Fuglede's Conjecture in geometric language:

$$\Omega \text{ tiles at level } 1 \iff |\widehat{\mathbf{1}}_\Omega|^2 \text{ tiles at level } |\Omega|^2.$$

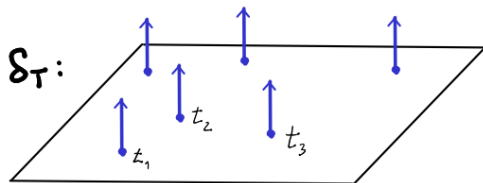
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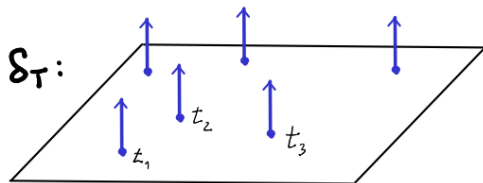


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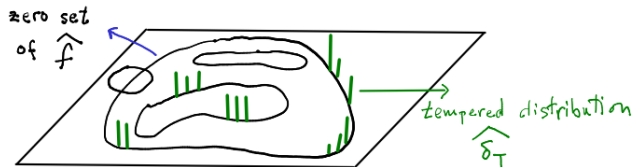
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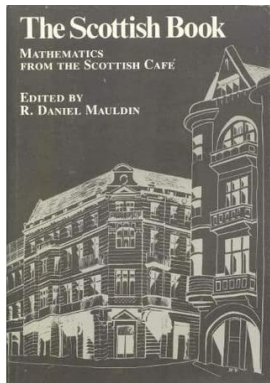
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► *Almost* equivalent to:

$$\text{supp } \widehat{\delta_T} \subseteq \{0\} \cup \{\widehat{f} = 0\}$$



THE SCOTTISH CAFÉ



EXAMPLE: FROM THE SCOTTISH BOOK

(in the sense of H. Steinhaus) for every couple $t_1, t_2 (t_1 \neq t_2)$?

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H. STEINHAUS

FIND A CONTINUOUS function (or perhaps an analytic one) $f(x)$, positive and such that one has

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x+n) \equiv 1$$

(identically in x in the interval $-\infty < x < +\infty$); examine whether $(1/\sqrt{\pi})e^{-x^2}$ is such a function; or else prove the impossibility; or else prove uniqueness.

Addendum. The function $(1/\sqrt{\pi})e^{-x^2}$ does not have the property — this follows from the sign of the second derivative for $x = 0$ of the expression

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-(x+n)^2}.$$

H. STEINHAUS

► *H. Steinhaus:*

Is there *analytic* $f > 0$ s.t.

$f + \mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{R}$? (shorthand for: f tiles \mathbb{R} with \mathbb{Z})

Is $f(x) = Ce^{-x^2}$ such a function?

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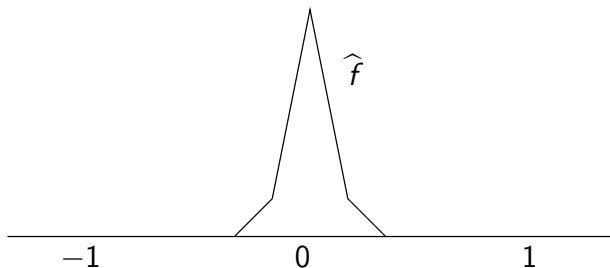
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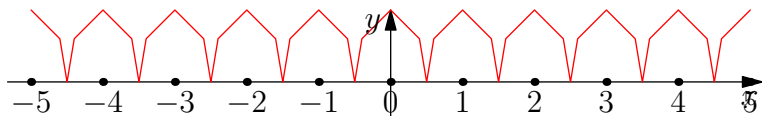
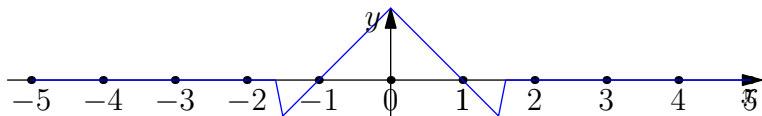
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- **Solution:**

For $f > 0$ we sum in \hat{f} two triangles with incommensurable bases.

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$$F(x) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(x + n)$$

and

$$\widehat{F}(n) = \widehat{f}(n).$$

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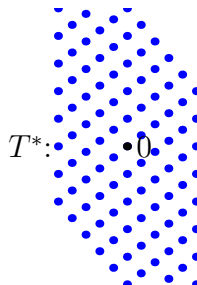
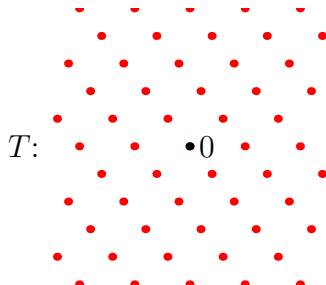
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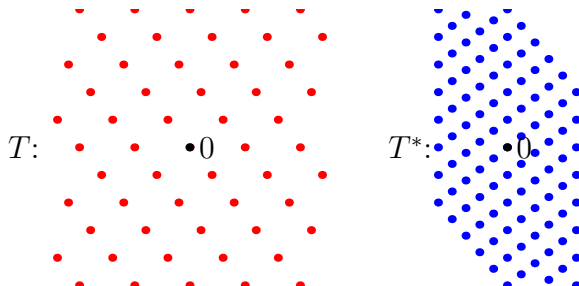
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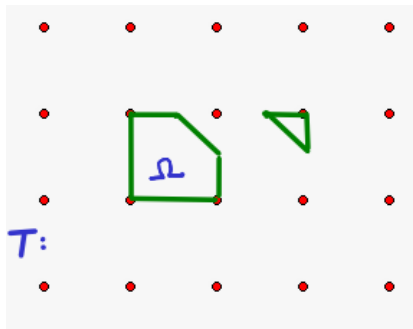
- ▶ *Poisson Summation Formula:*

$$\widehat{\delta_T} = \frac{1}{|\det A|} \delta_{T^*} \quad \text{usually first seen as: } \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(n) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \widehat{f}(n)$$

implies

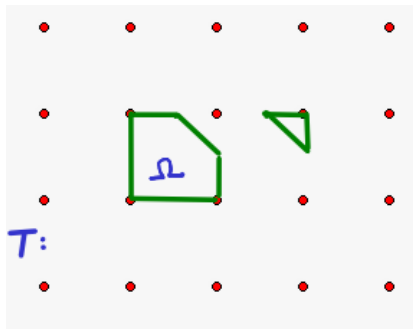
$$f * \delta_T = \text{const.} \iff \widehat{f} \equiv 0 \text{ on } T^* \setminus 0.$$

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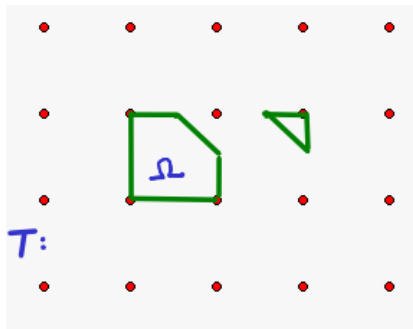
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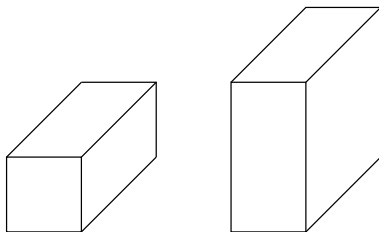
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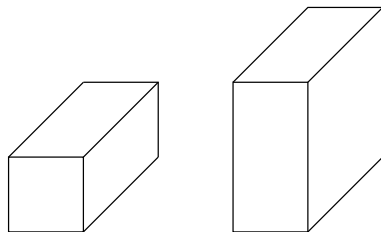
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THEOREM (BOWER AND MICHAEL, 2004)

\iff *can cut the box Q into 2 boxes, filling one with brick A , the other with brick B .*

True in all dimensions.

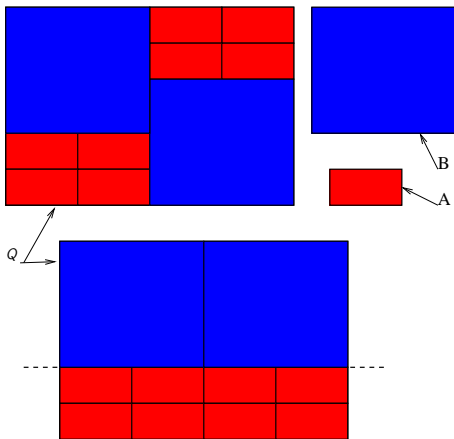
FILLING THE BOX, BEFORE AND AFTER

Example:

$A: 4 \times 2,$

$B: 8 \times 7,$

$Q: 16 \times 11.$



We cut the box horizontally

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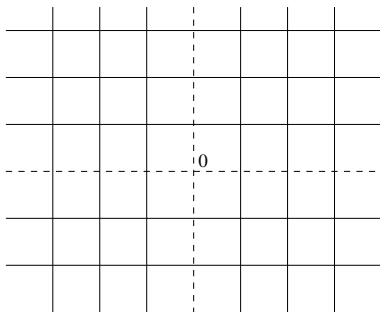
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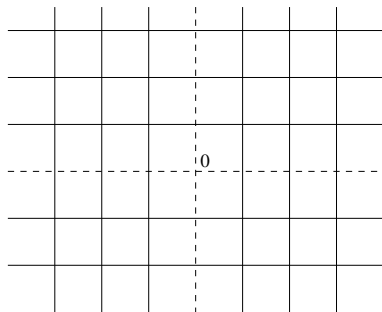
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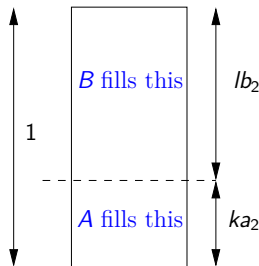
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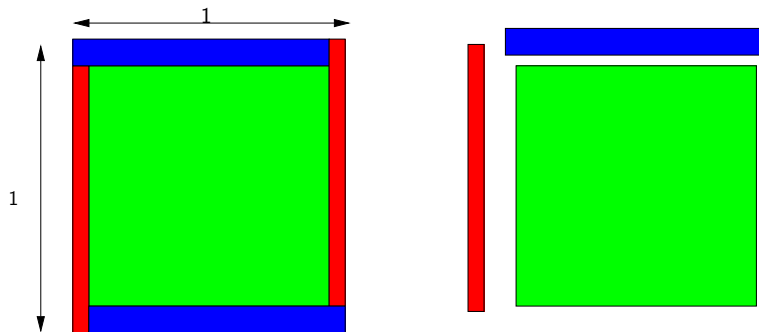
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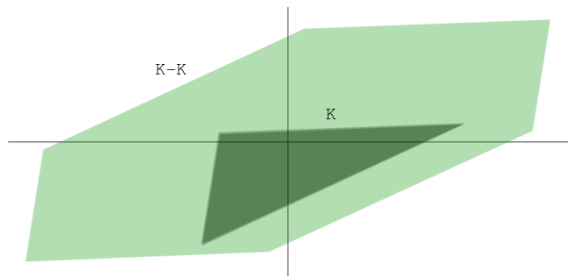
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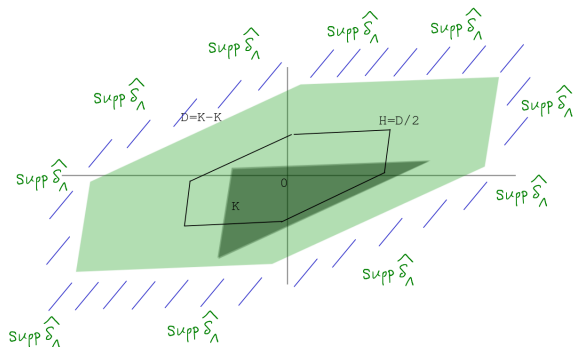
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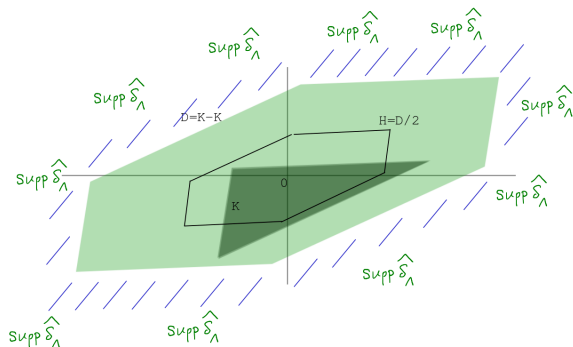
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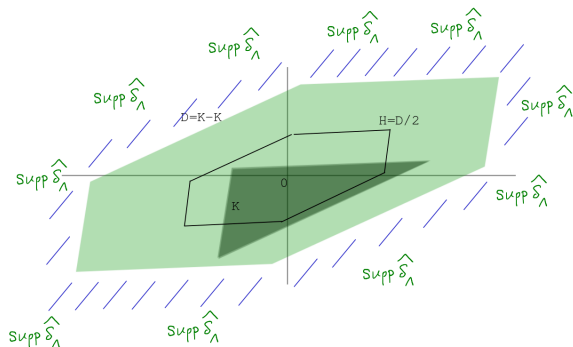
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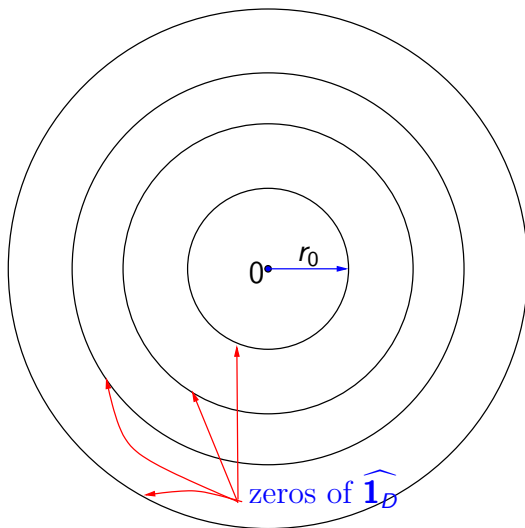
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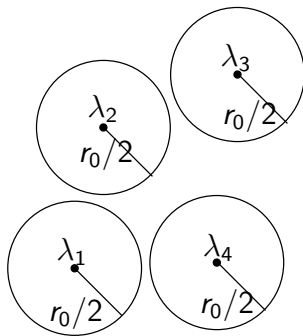
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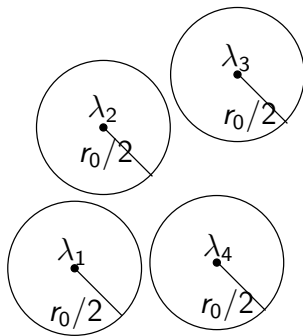
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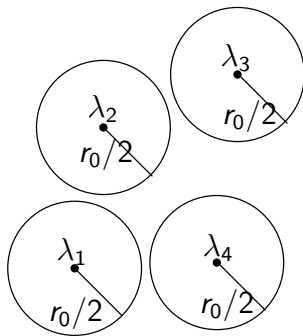
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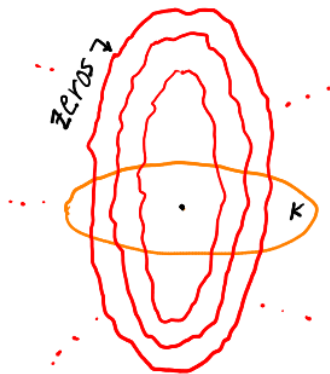
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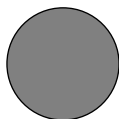
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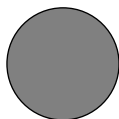
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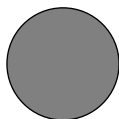
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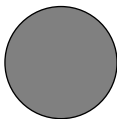
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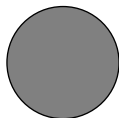


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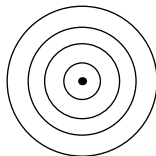
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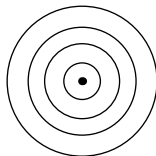
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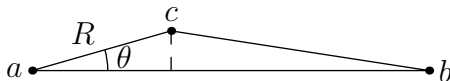
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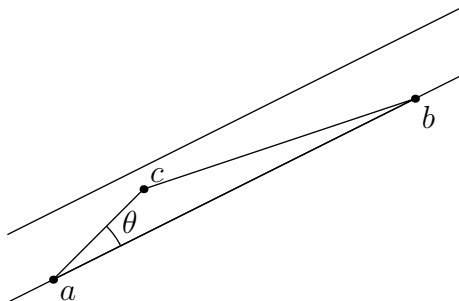
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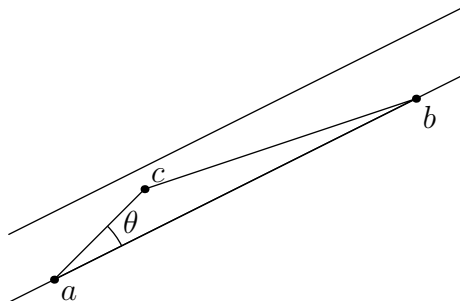
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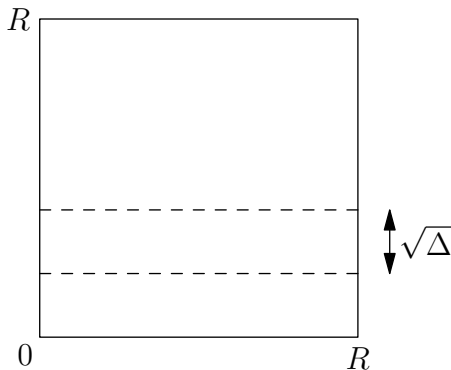
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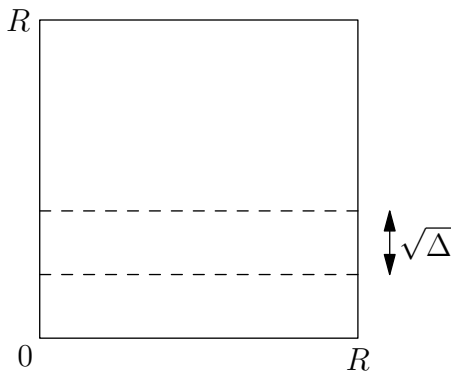
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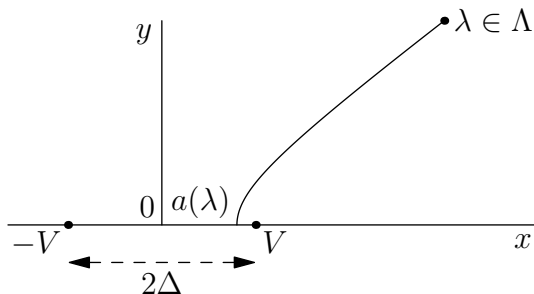
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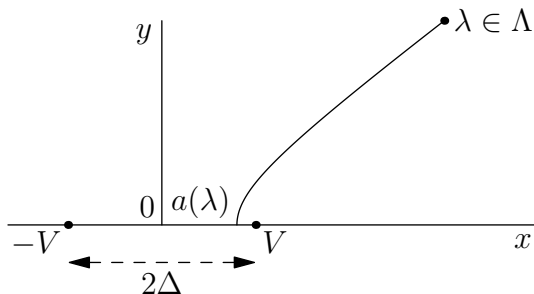
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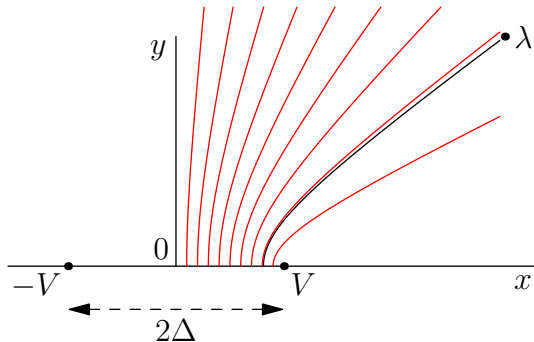
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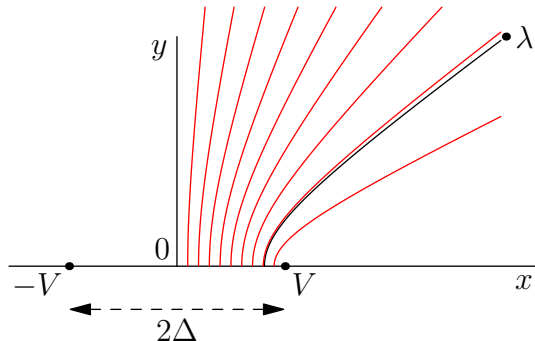
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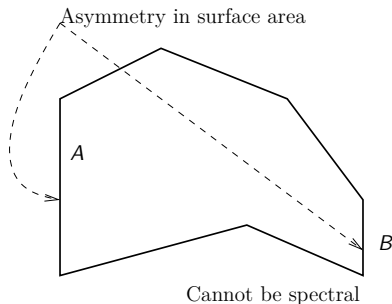
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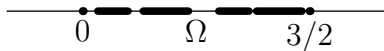
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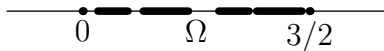
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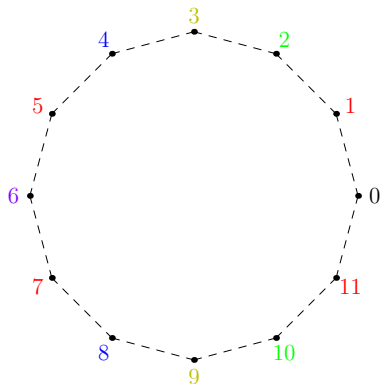
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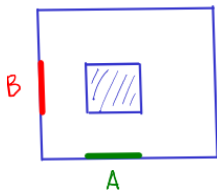


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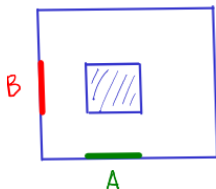
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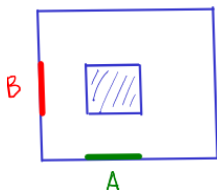
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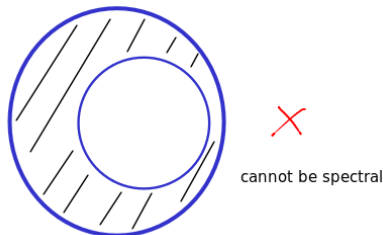
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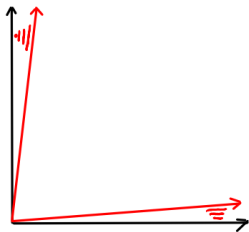
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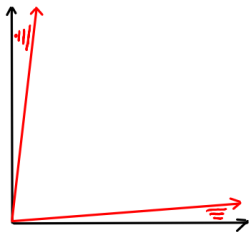
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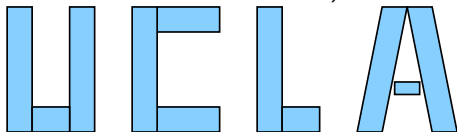
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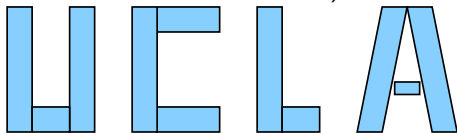
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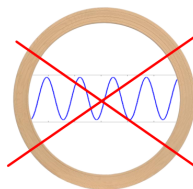
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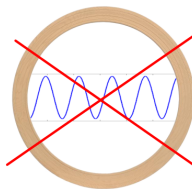
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Thank you