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 - TITLE Properly discontinuous isometric group actions on inhomogeneous Lorentzian manifolds
- ABSTRACT If a homogeneous space G/H is acted properly discontinuously upon by a subgroup Γ of G via the left action, the quotient space $\Gamma \setminus G/H$ is called a Clifford-Klein form. In 1962, E. Calabi and L. Markus proved that there is no infinite subgroup of the Lorentz group O(n + 1, 1) whose left action on the de Sitter space O(n + 1, 1)/O(n, 1) is properly discontinuous. It follows that a compact Clifford-Klein form of the de Sitter space never exists. In this talk, we present a new extension of the theorem of E. Calabi and L. Markus to a certain class of Lorentzian manifolds that are not necessarily homogeneous.