

Branching in Representation Theory

Lecture 2. Discrete Decomposability and Admissible Restriction

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Minicourses: branching problems and symmetry-breaking

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Branching problems in the general setting

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G & \xrightarrow{\pi} & GL(V) \\ & \text{irreducible} & \\ \cup & & \\ G' & \xrightarrow{\pi|_{G'}} & \end{array}$$

Branching problem (in a broader sense than the usual)

... wish to understand

how the restriction $\pi|_{G'}$ behaves as a G' -module.

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$$GL(n_1 + n_2 + n_3, \mathbb{R}) \\ \supset GL(n_1, \mathbb{R}) \times GL(n_2, \mathbb{R}) \times GL(n_3, \mathbb{R})$$

Decomposition into irreducible reps

G : locally compact group

\widehat{G} = unitary dual

= {irreducible unitary reps} / \sim

Fact (Mautner '50–Teleman '76)

Any unitary rep π can be decomposed into
a direct integral of irreducible unitary reps:

$$\pi \simeq \int_{\widehat{G}}^{\oplus} \underbrace{n(\tau)}_{\substack{\text{multiplicity} \\ \cap \\ \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}}} \tau \underbrace{d\mu(\tau)}_{\text{Borel measure}}$$

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$$\begin{cases} \pi \text{ is discretely decomposable, and} \\ n_{\pi}(\tau) < \infty \quad (\forall \tau \in \widehat{G'}). \end{cases} \quad (\text{finite mult.})$$

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π : holomorphic discrete series, $G'/K' \subset G/K$

Hermitian symm sp



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Strange example:

Ex. 5 (K– 1988) $(G, G') = (SO(4, 2), SO(4, 1))$

π : discrete series, Gelfand–Kirillov dim = 5

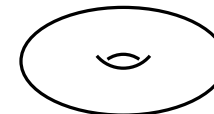
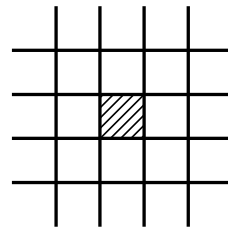
(neither holomorphic nor anti-holomorphic disc. ser.)

$\implies \pi|_{G'}$ is G' -admissible

Idea: Tessellation of indefinite Kähler mfd X

$$X = SO(4, 2)/U(2, 1) \quad \left(\underset{\text{open}}{\subset} \mathbb{P}^3 \mathbb{C} \right)$$

Tessellation of \mathbb{R}^2



Tessellation of $SL(2, \mathbb{R})/SO(2)$



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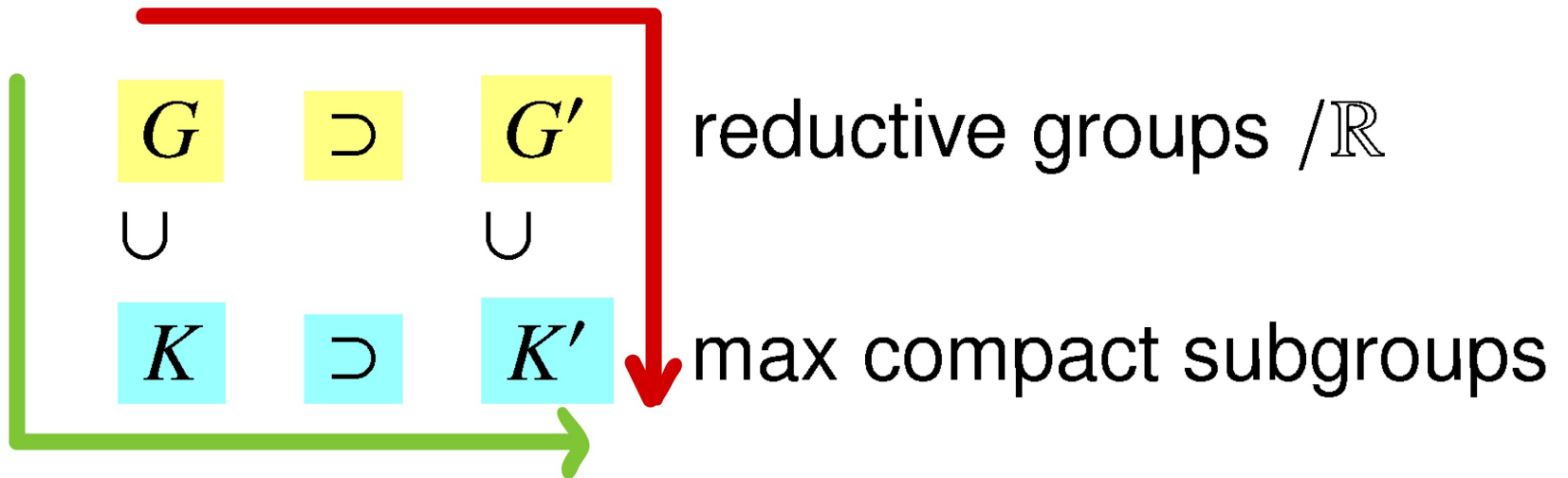
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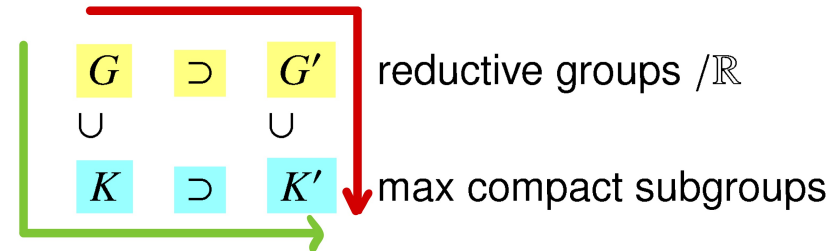
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$$G \supset G' \rightsquigarrow C_K(K') \quad \text{Hamiltonian action}$$

$$T \subset K \curvearrowright T^*(K/K')$$

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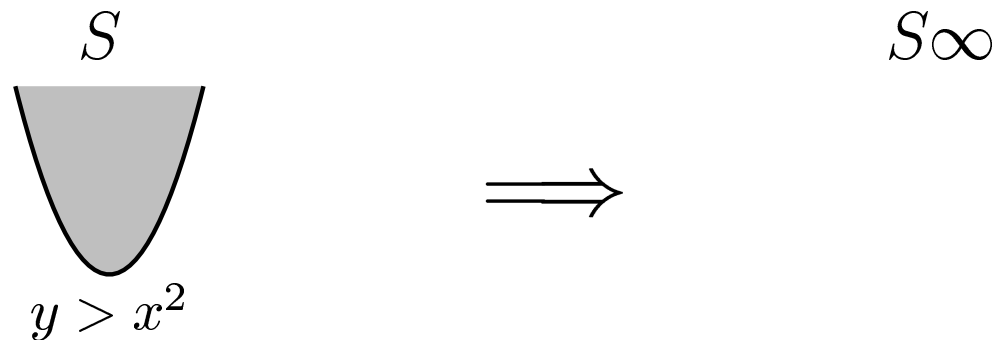
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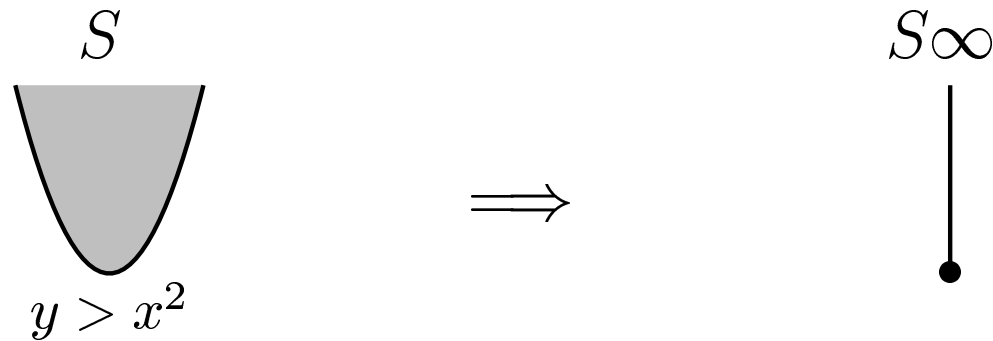
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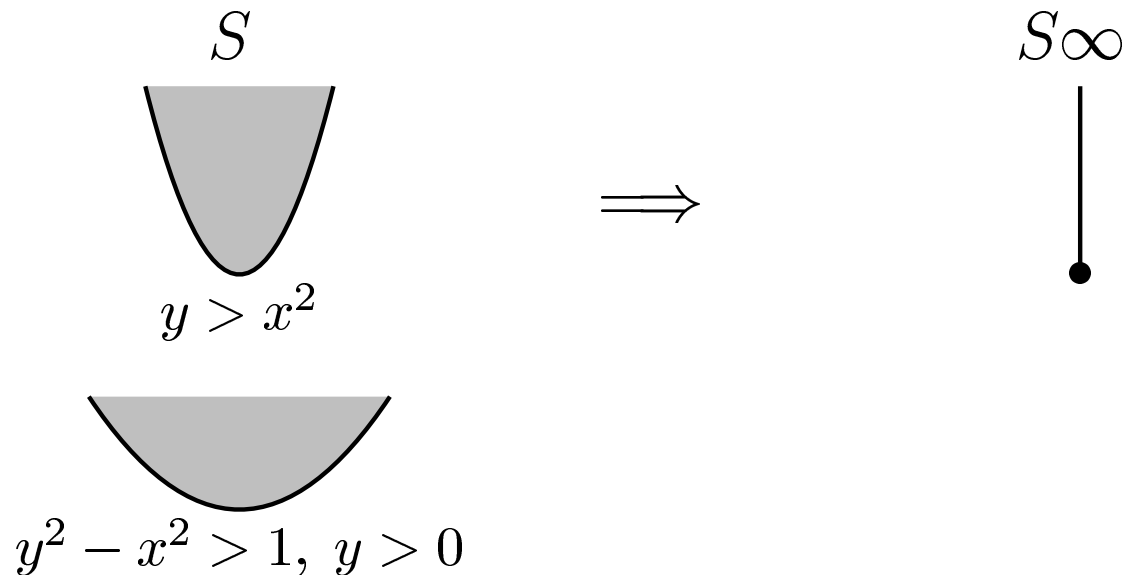
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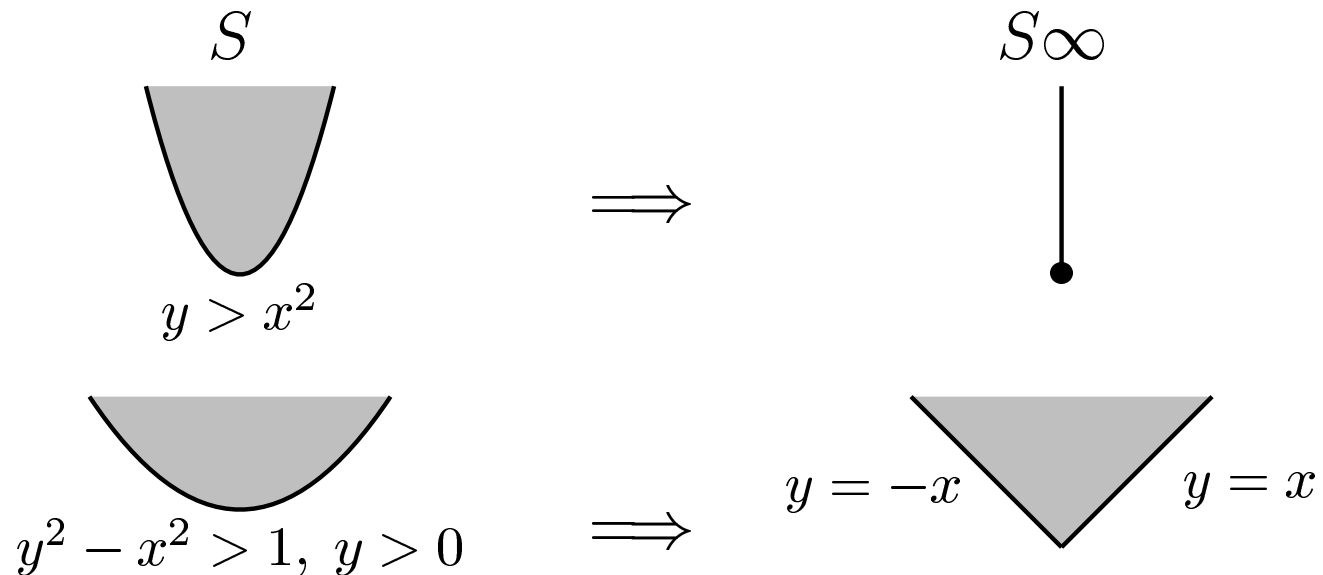
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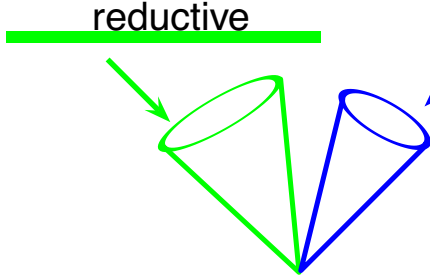
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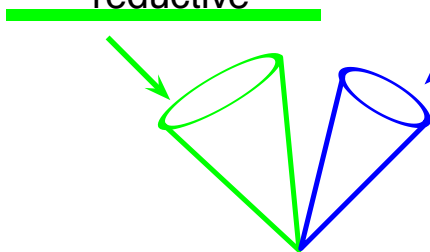
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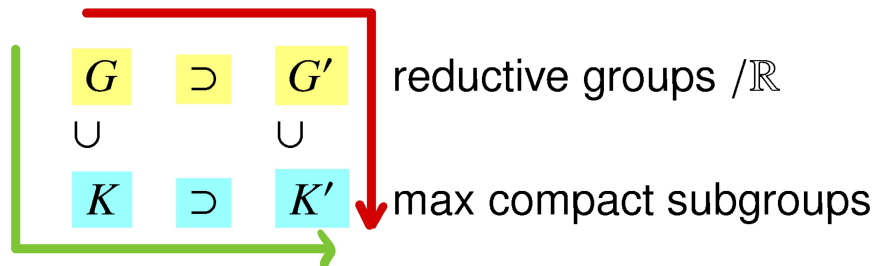
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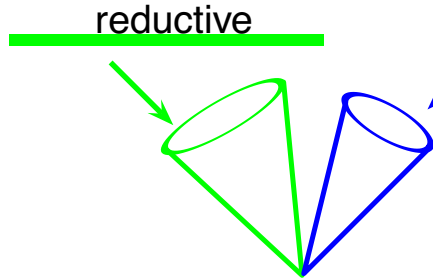
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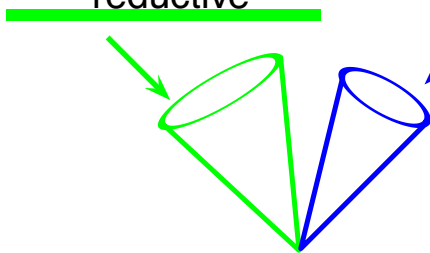
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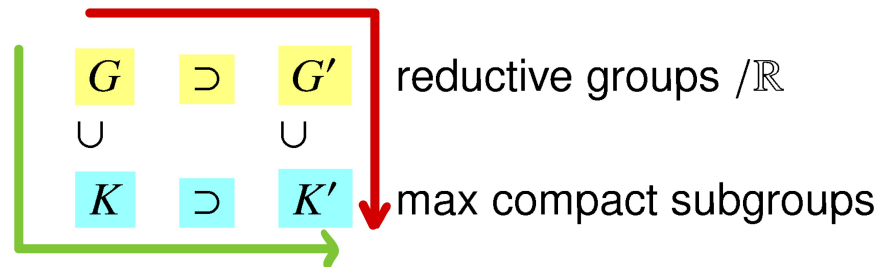


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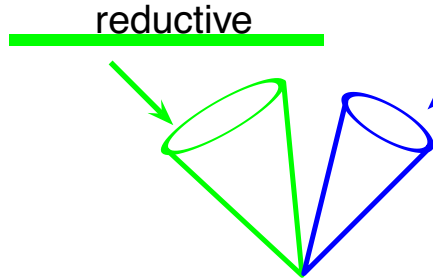
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Ex.4 $\pi = A_{\mathfrak{q}}(\lambda)$ (Zuckerman's module)

(may be non-tempered/non-highest wt module)

$\implies AS_K(\pi) \subset \mathbb{R}_+$ -span of $\Delta(\mathfrak{u} \cap \mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{t})$

$(\mathfrak{q} = \mathfrak{l} + \mathfrak{u}, \mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{k} + \mathfrak{p})$

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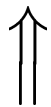
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Restriction of a **holomorphic function** to a complex submfd

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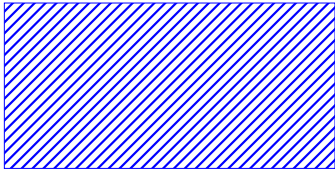
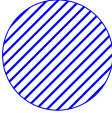
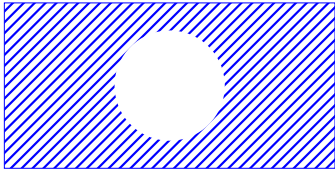
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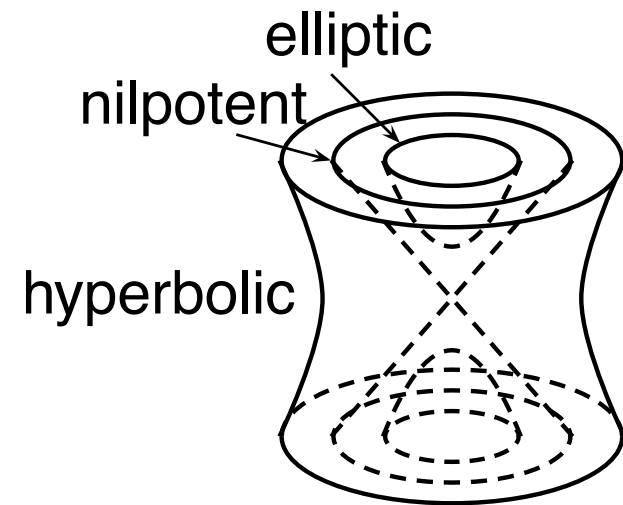
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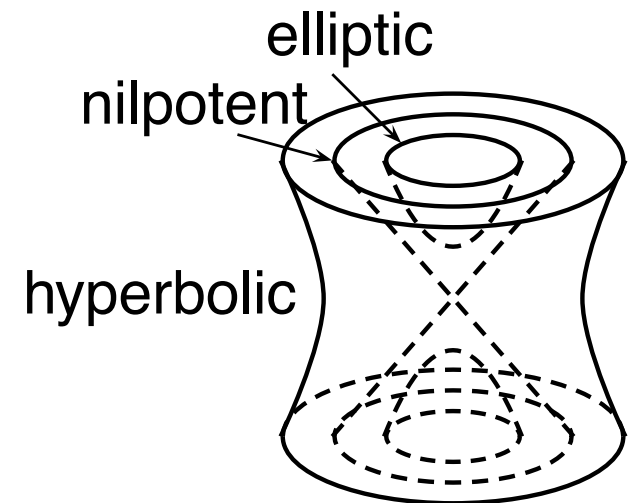
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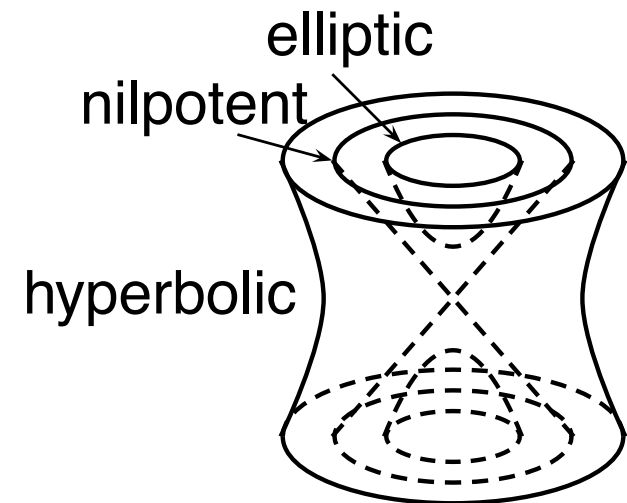
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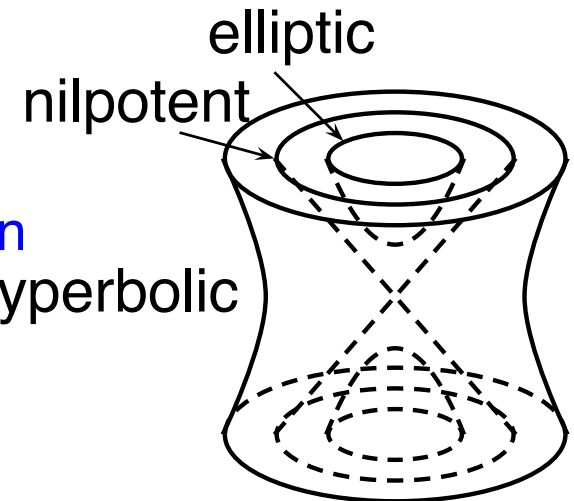


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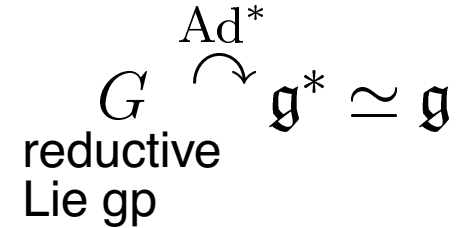


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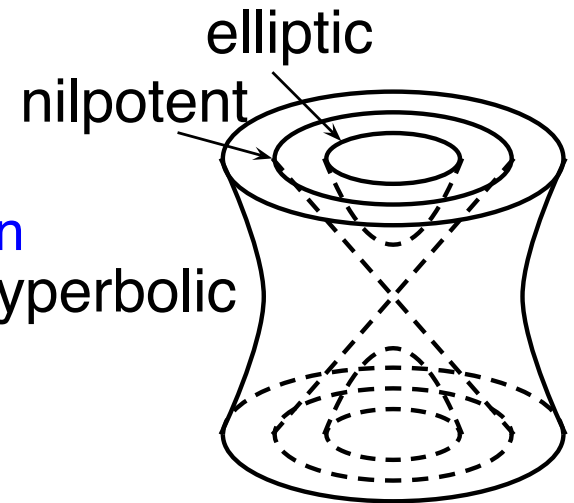
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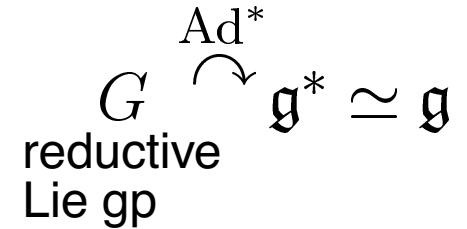


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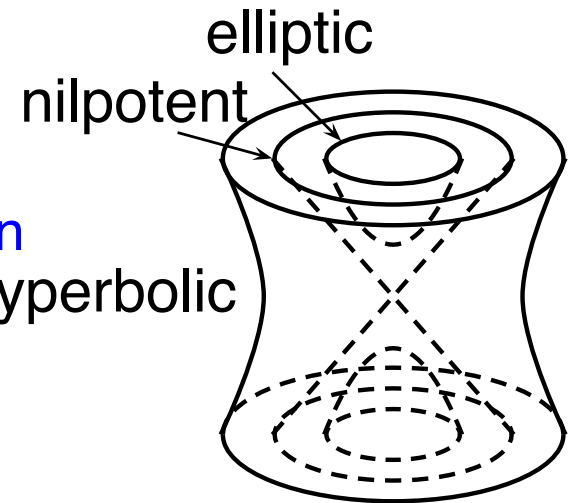
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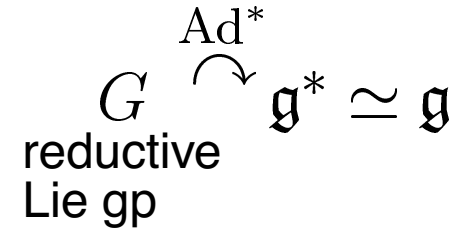


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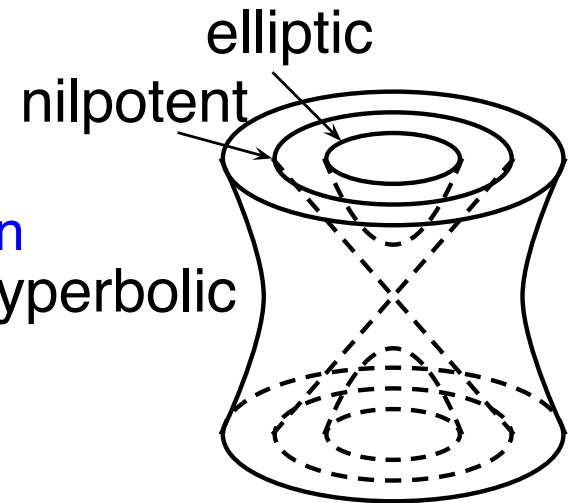
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Theorem* Equivalent:

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Approaches to admissible restrictions

Analytic Approaches*

- Wavefront set / singularity spectrum of characters.

Algebraic Approaches**

- $\text{gr } U(\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}) \simeq S(\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}})$
(nonn-commutative \rightsquigarrow commutative).

Geometric Approaches

- Complex geometry, Orbit philosophy[†].
- Symplectic geometry, \mathcal{D} -modules^{††}.

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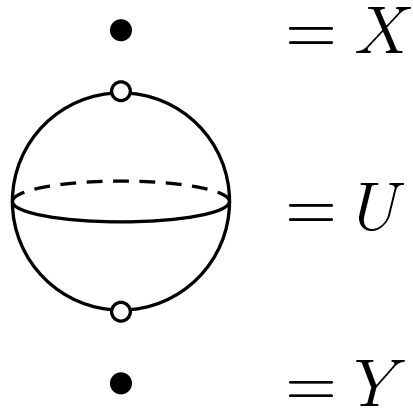
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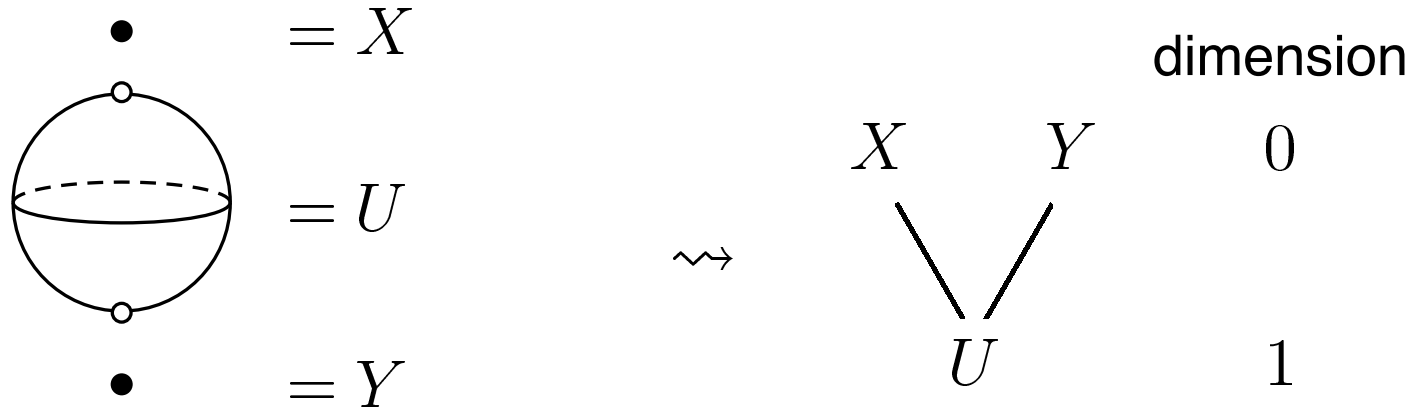
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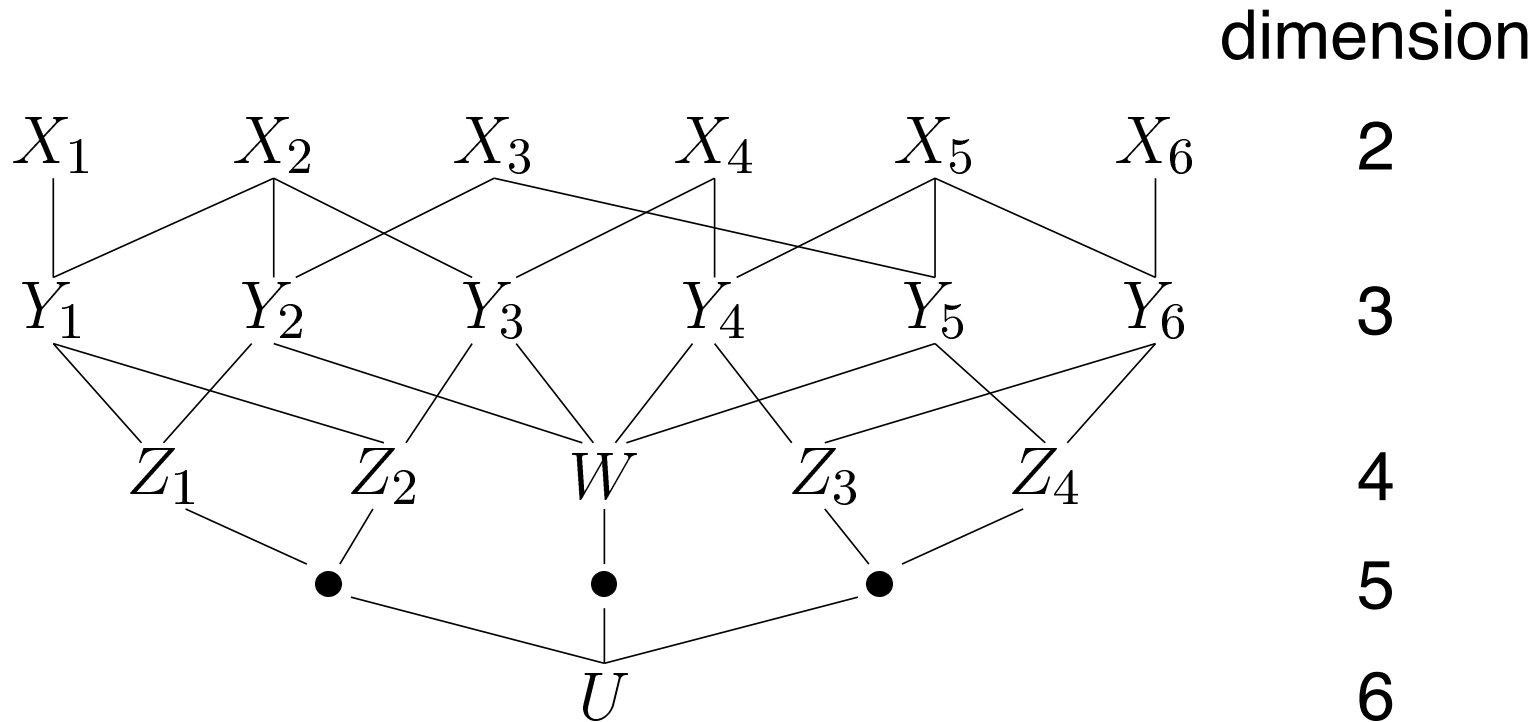
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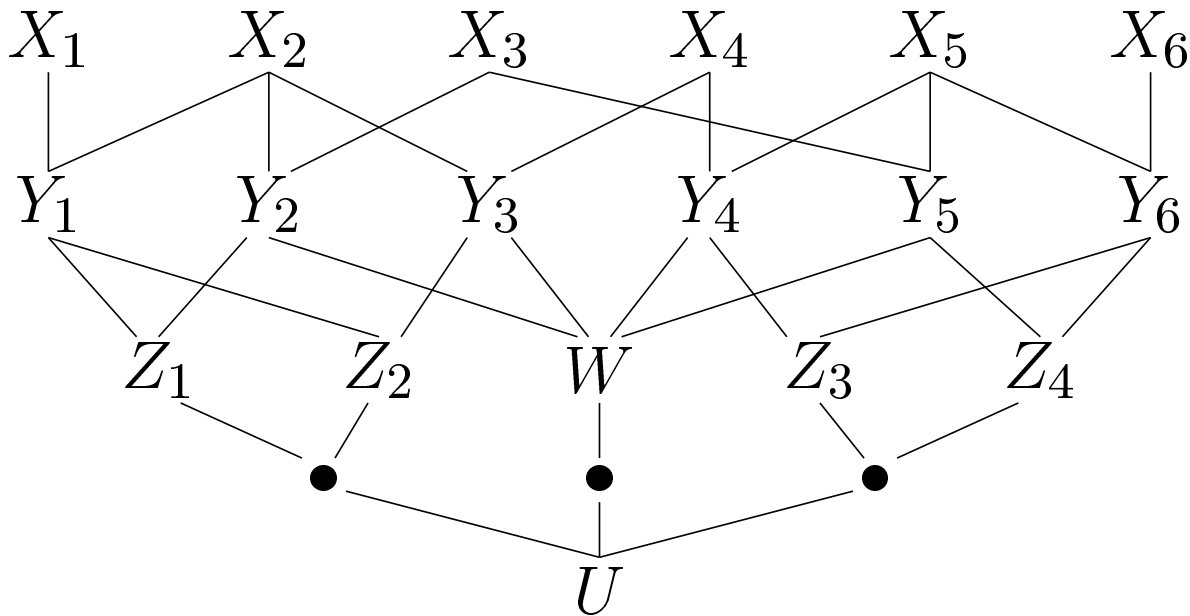


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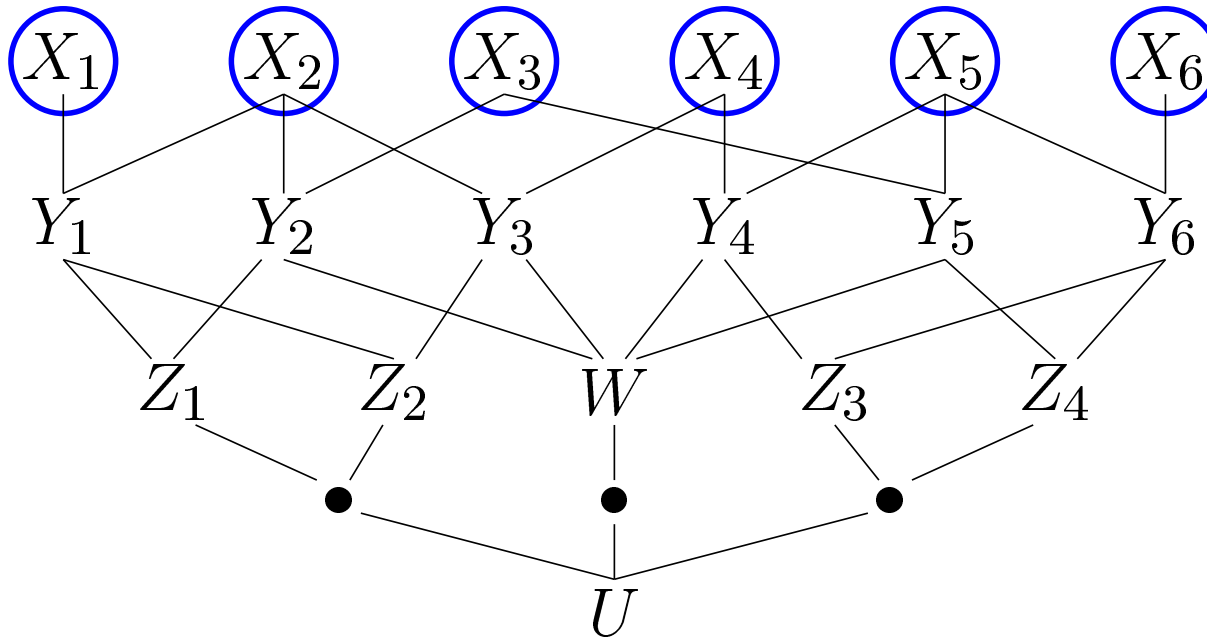
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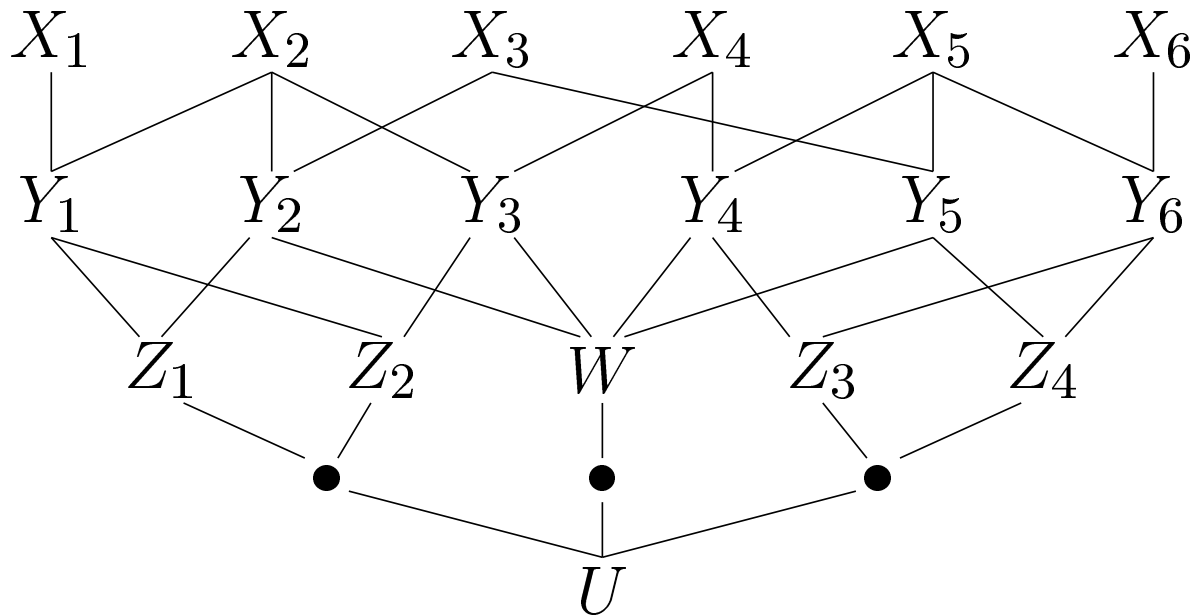


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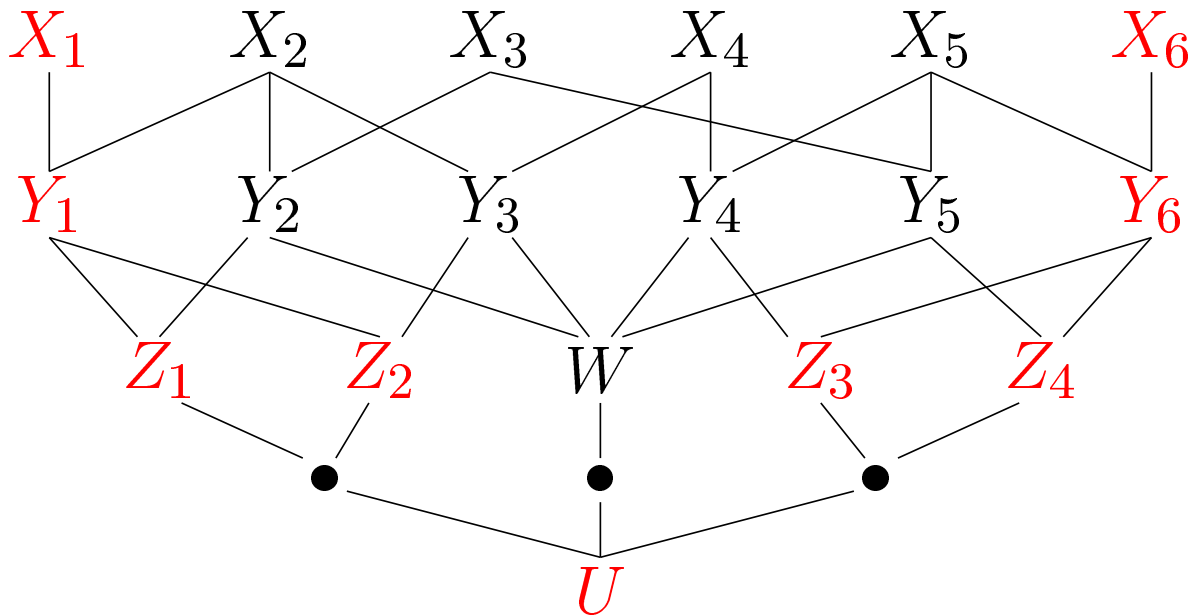
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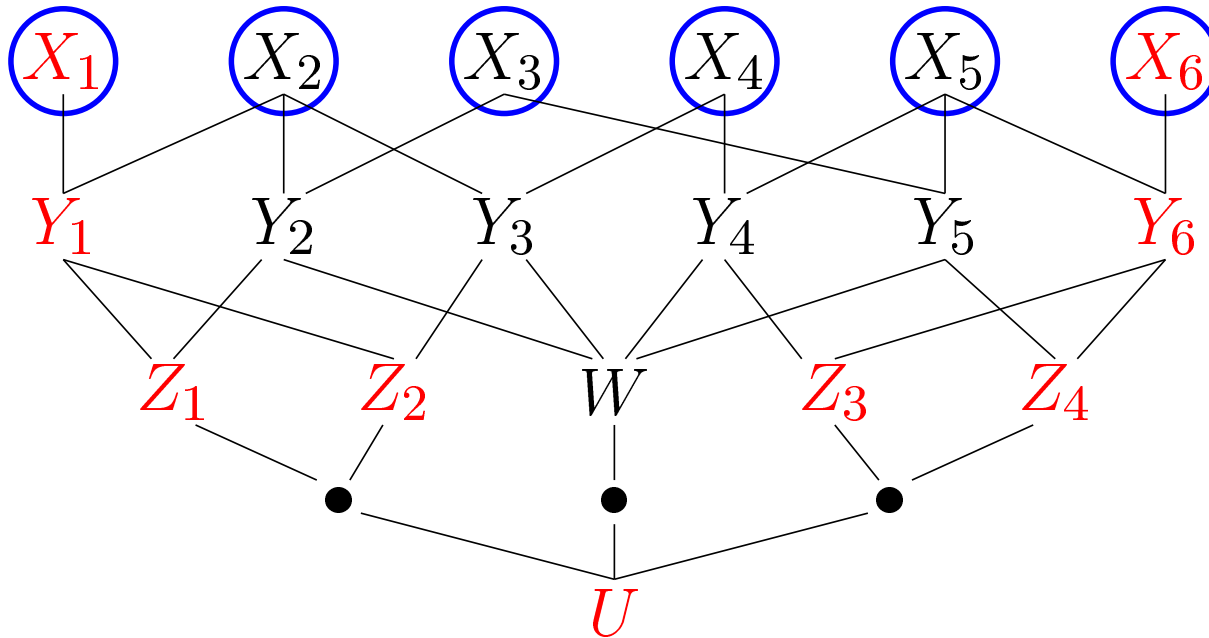


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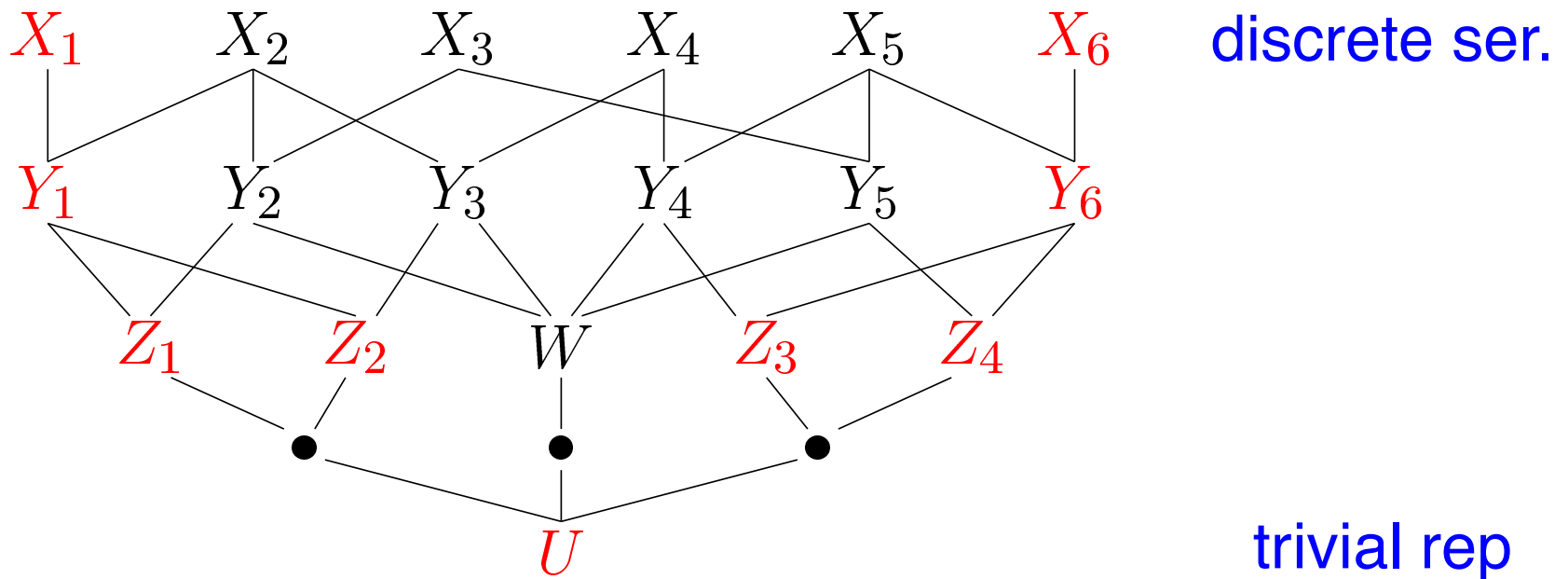
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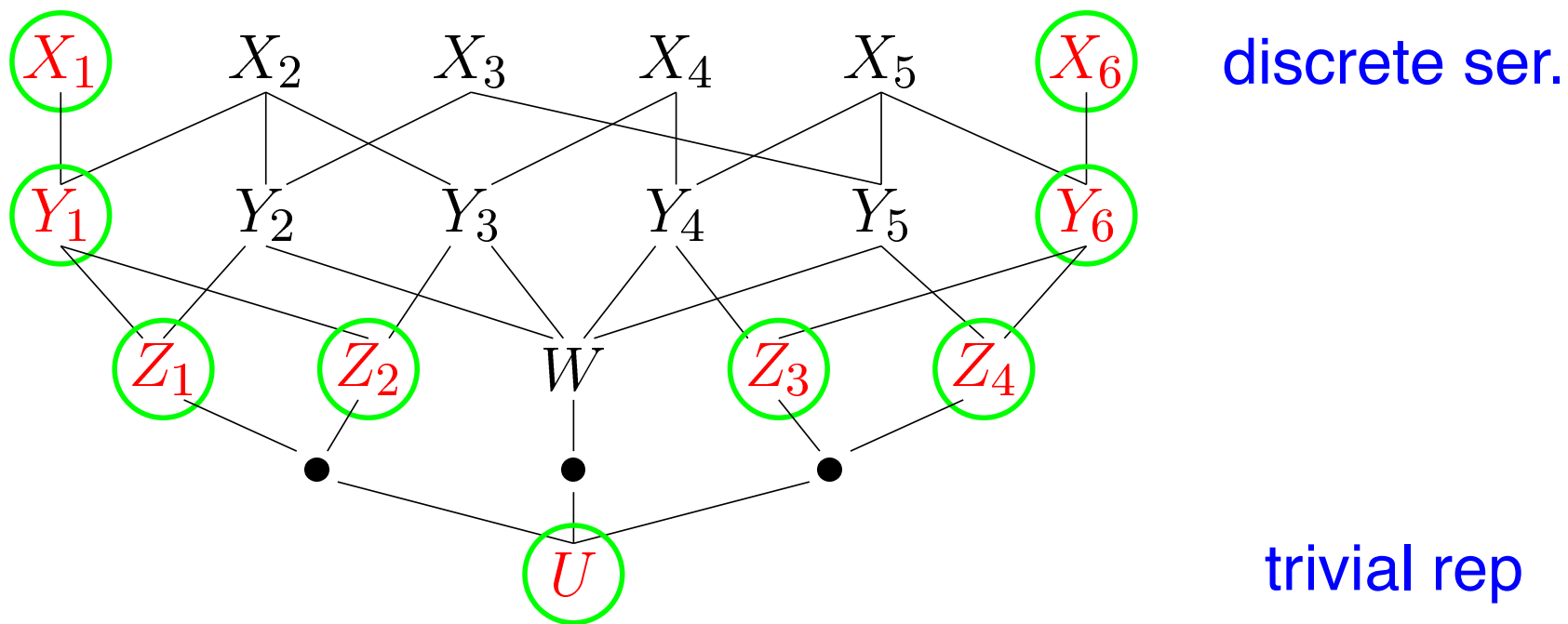
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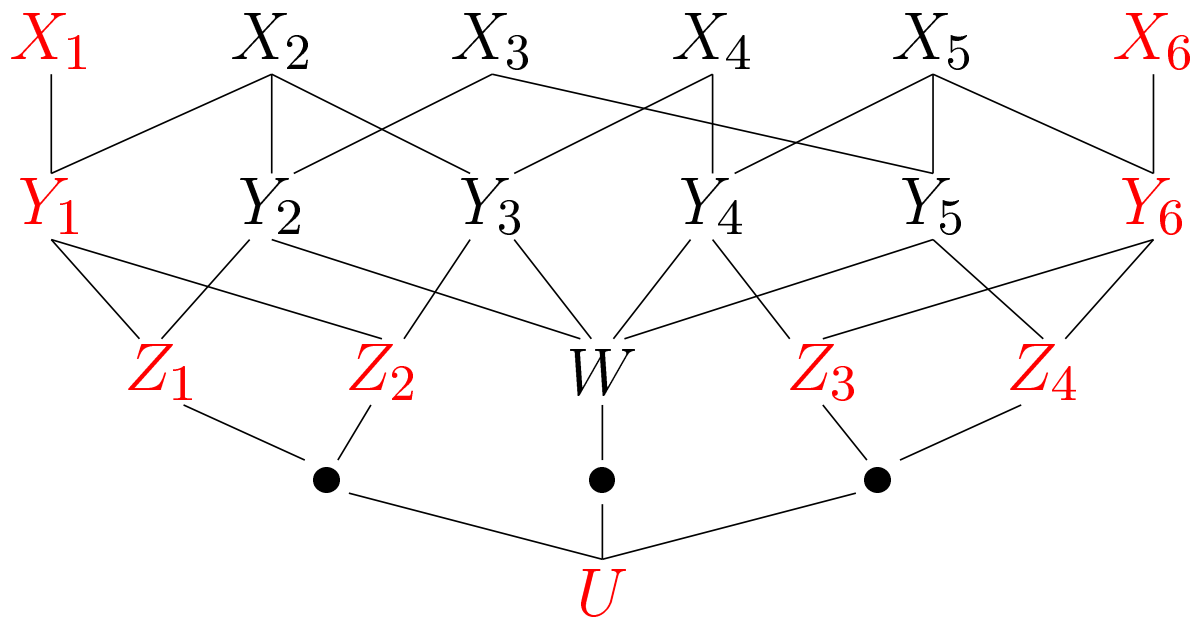


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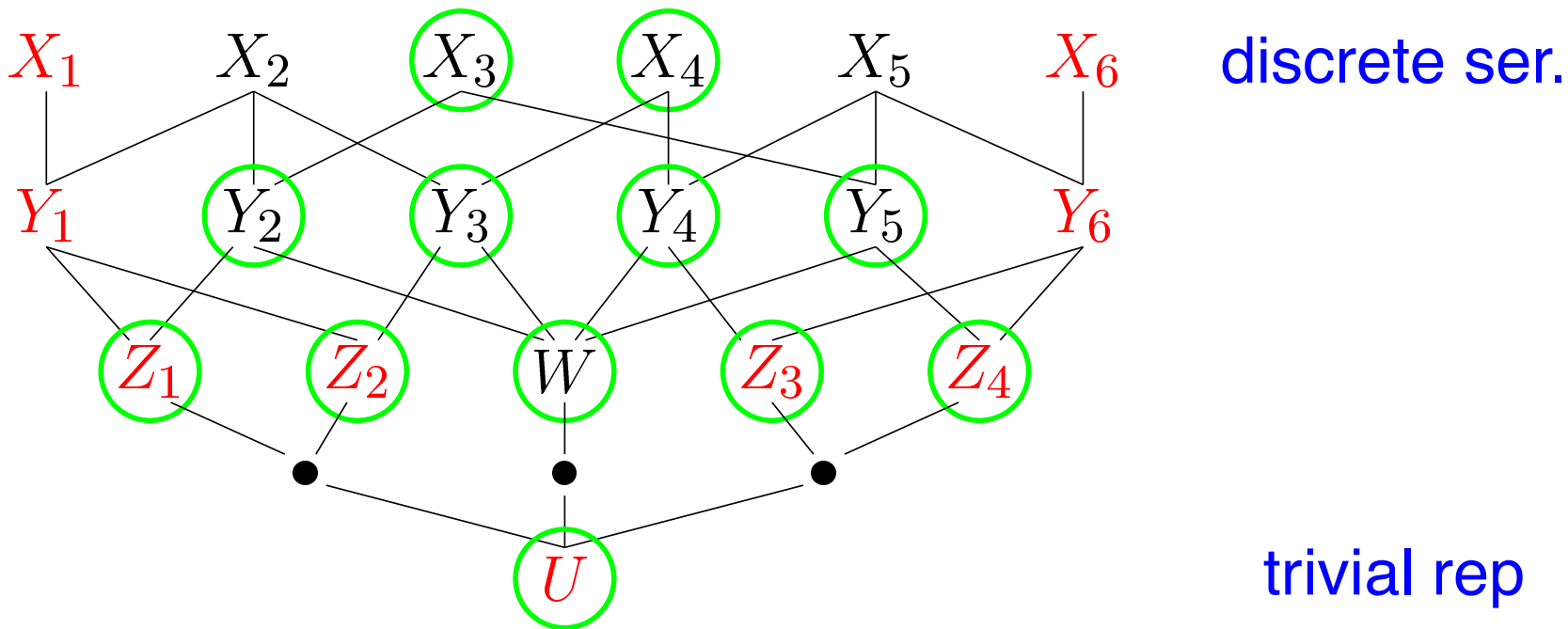


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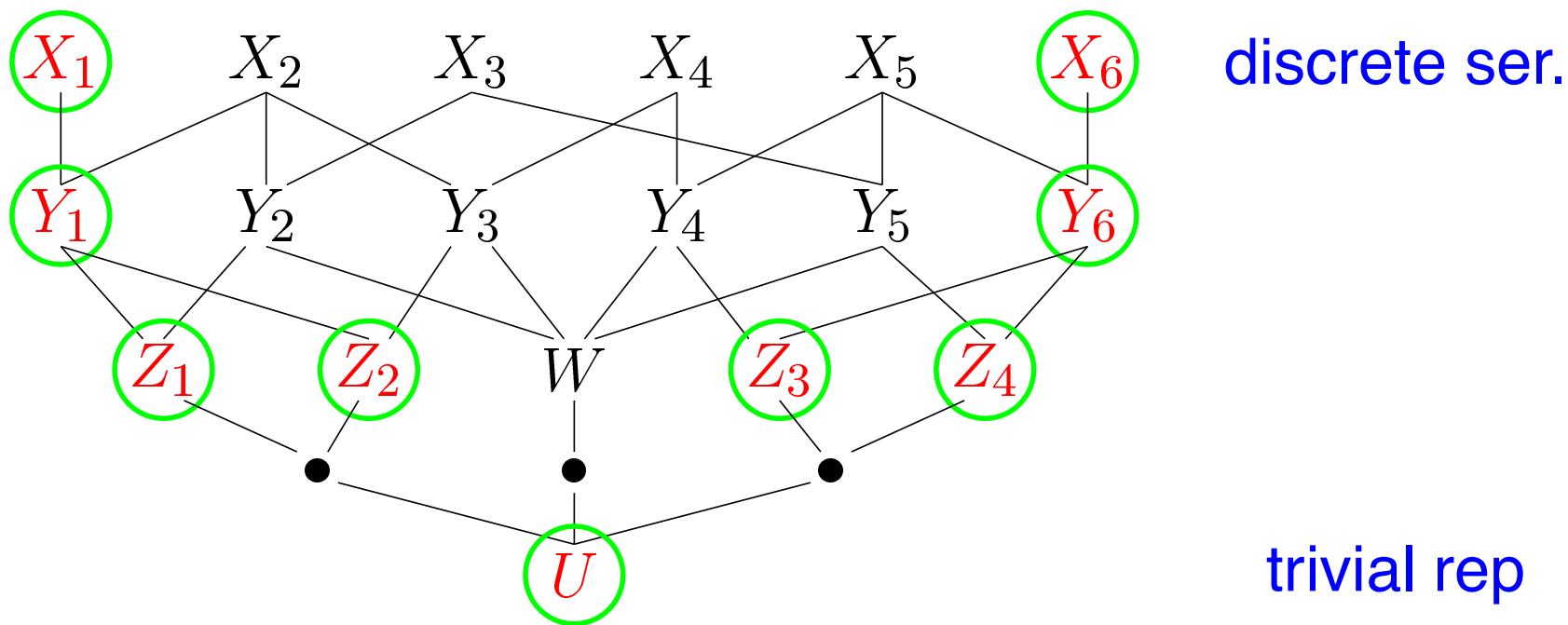
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Admissible restriction $\Pi|_{G'}$ — classification

Theorem (+ algebraic criterion*) provides a family of the triples

$$\Pi \in \widehat{G} \quad \text{and} \quad G \supset G'$$

for which the restriction $\Pi|_{G'}$ is G' -admissible (discretely decomposable with finite multiplicity) .

Some classification results**,**

- (K–Y. Oshima, 2012) $G \supset G'$ symmetric pair, $\Pi_K = A_q(\lambda)$,
e.g., $\Pi =$ Harish-Chandra's discrete series rep .
- (— , 2015) $G \supset G'$ symmetric pair, $\Pi =$ minimal rep,
- (— , 2015) $\Pi_1 \otimes \Pi_2$ for any Π_1, Π_2 ,
- (Duflo–Galina–Vargas, 2017) $G' = SL(2, \mathbb{R})$, $\Pi =$ discrete series .

New geometric examples (will be discussed next week)

... arisen from locally symmetric spaces $\Gamma \backslash G/H$.

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Thank you very much!

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