

Symmetry Actions and Invariance Conditions in LQG

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- ▶ Quantization $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{A}}$: $L^2(\overline{\mathcal{A}}, \mu_{AL})$

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$\overline{\mathcal{A}}$	generalized connections

Gelfand compactification:

- ▶ $\overline{\mathcal{A}} = \text{Spec}(\mathfrak{C})$
- ▶ $\mathfrak{C} = C^*$ -algebra of cylindrical functions on \mathcal{A} $\mathfrak{C} \subseteq B(\mathcal{A})$
generated by $f \circ h_\gamma$ for $\gamma \in \mathcal{P}$ and $f \in C(SU(2))$
- ▶ $\mathcal{A} \hookrightarrow \overline{\mathcal{A}}$ densely embedded if \mathfrak{C} separates points: $\iota: \mathcal{A} \mapsto [g \mapsto g(\mathcal{A})]$

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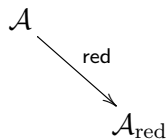
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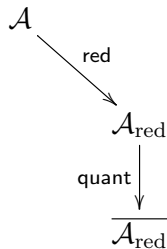
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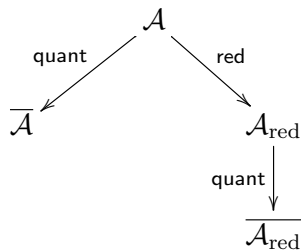
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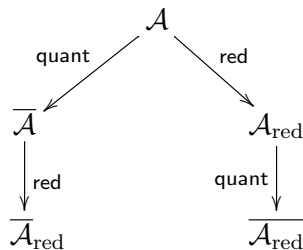
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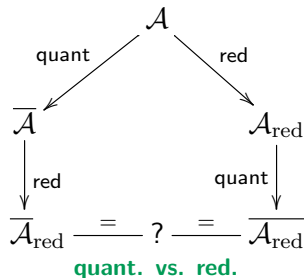
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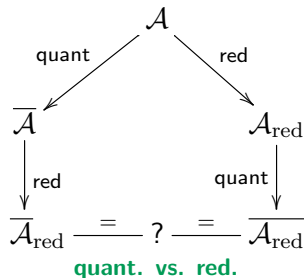
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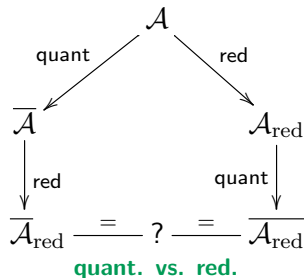
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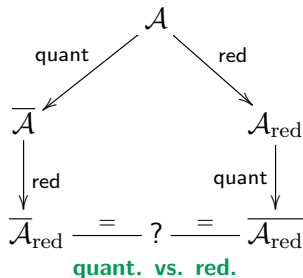
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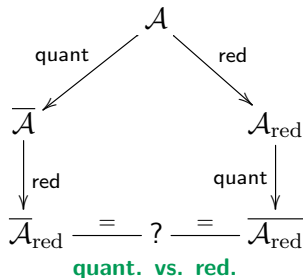
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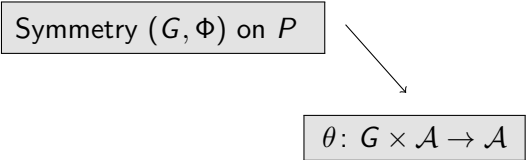
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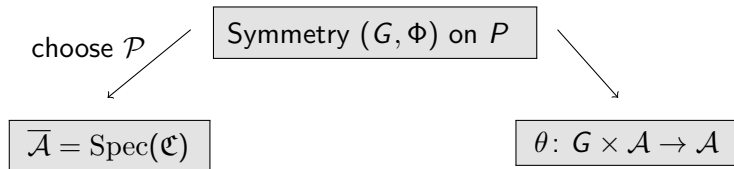
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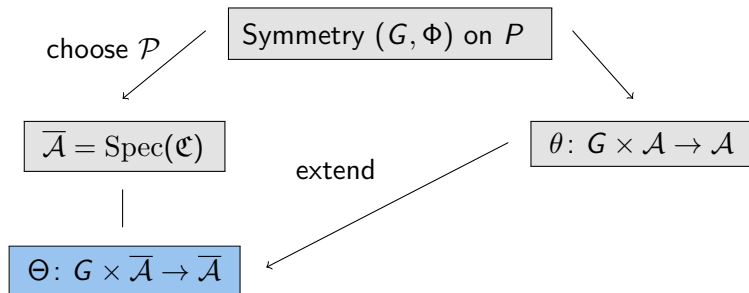


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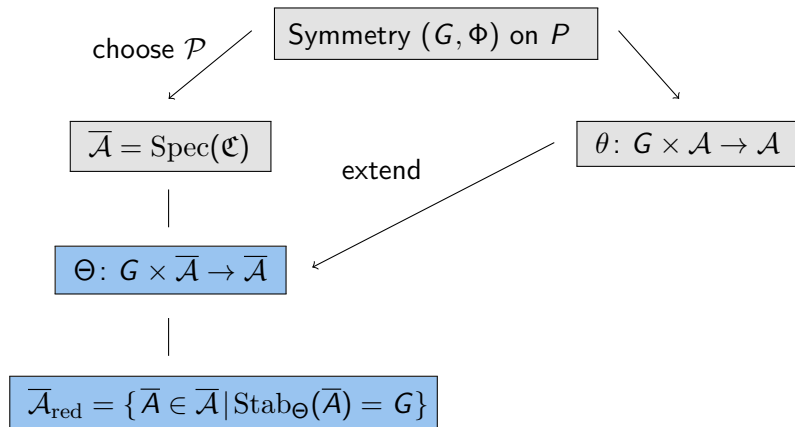
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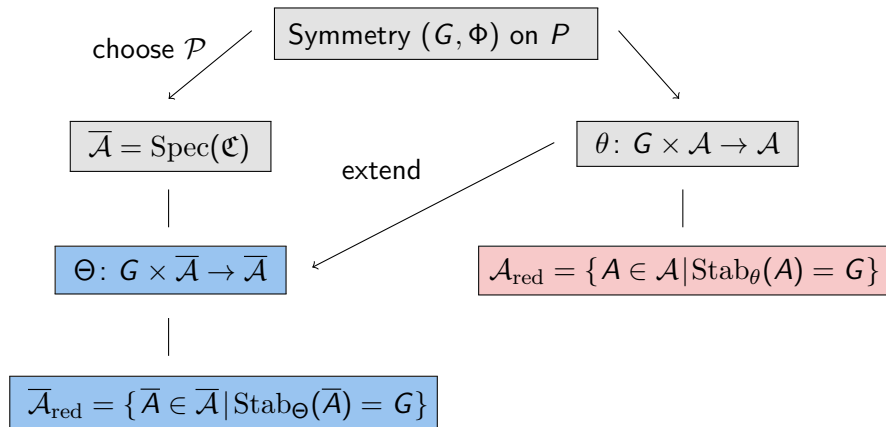
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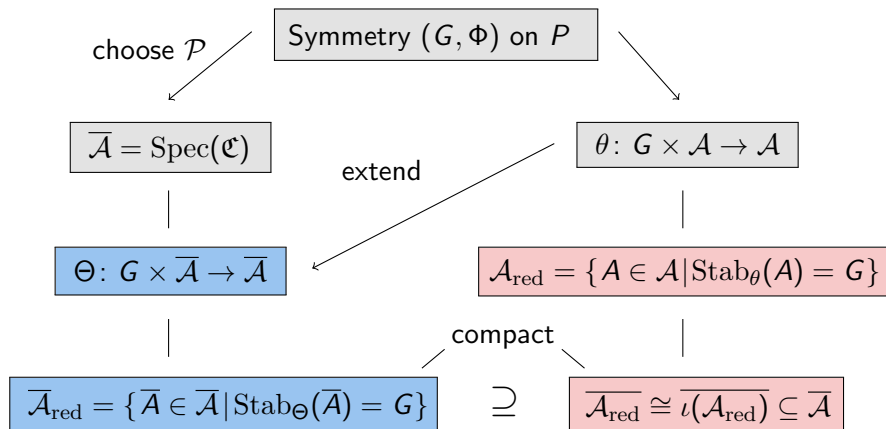
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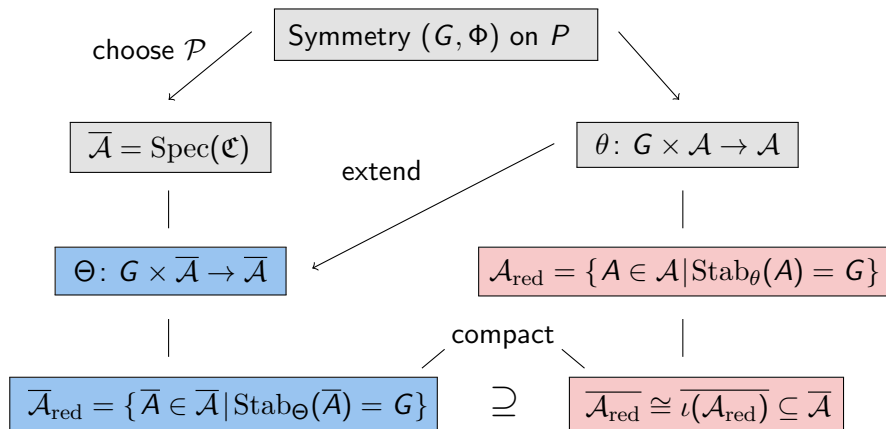
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- ▶ Θ exists if \mathcal{P} invariant: $\varphi_g \circ \gamma \in \mathcal{P}$ for all $\gamma \in \mathcal{P}$, $g \in G$
- ▶ usually fulfilled as φ and \mathcal{P} smooth or analytic

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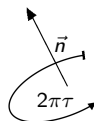
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Loop Quantum Cosmology: $P = \mathbb{R}^3 \times \text{SU}(2)$

(MH13/14)

LQC	linear curves	analytic curves
(semi-)homogeneous	$\overline{\mathcal{A}}_{\text{red}} \not\supseteq \overline{\mathcal{A}}_{\text{red}}$	$\overline{\mathcal{A}}_{\text{red}} \not\supseteq \overline{\mathcal{A}}_{\text{red}}$
homogeneous isotropic	$\overline{\mathcal{A}}_{\text{red}} = \overline{\mathcal{A}}_{\text{red}}$	$\overline{\mathcal{A}}_{\text{red}} \supseteq \overline{\mathcal{A}}_{\text{red}}$

$$\overline{A}(\gamma) = \begin{cases} \exp(2\pi\tau f(r) \cdot \langle \vec{n}, \vec{\sigma} \rangle) & \text{if } \gamma \text{ circular} \\ \mathbb{1} & \text{else} \end{cases}$$



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ABL: $+_t^*$ exponentiated reduced fluxes on $L^2(\mathbb{R}_{\text{Bohr}}, \mu_{\text{Bohr}})$

$\{+_t^*\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$ strongly continuous 1-parameter group of unitaries

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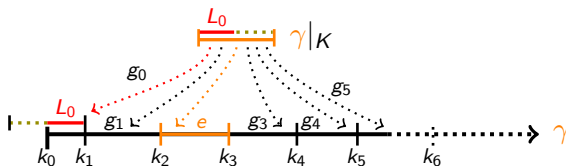
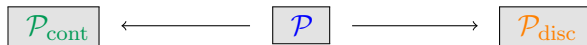
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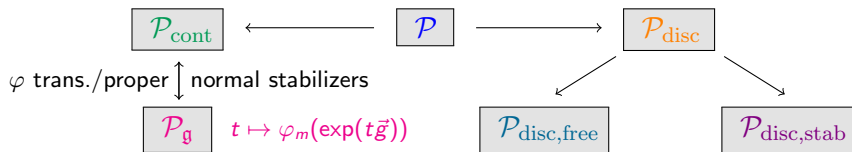
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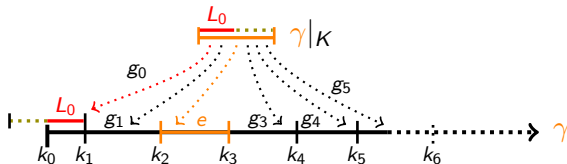
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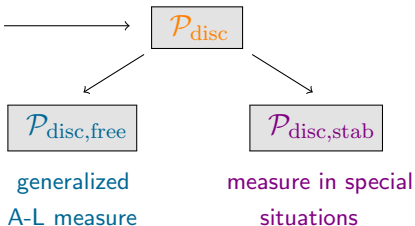
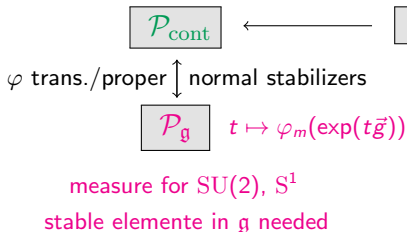
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(Semi-)homogeneous LQC:

(φ proper and free, $SU(2)$)

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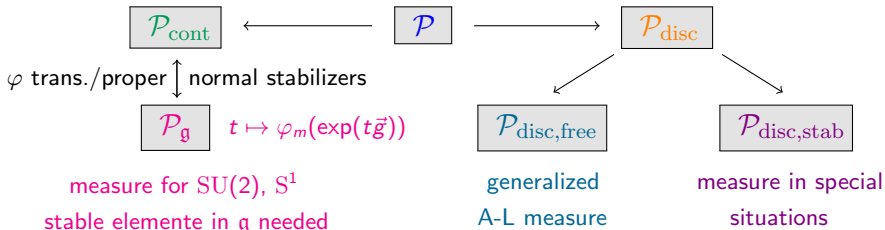
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