

Random Holonomy and Algebraic Structures

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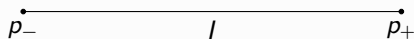
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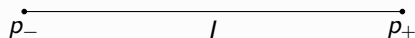
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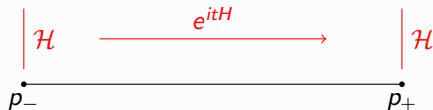
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Define the functor $Z : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}$ by: $Z(p_+) = \mathcal{H}$, $Z(p_-) = \mathcal{H}^*$. Set $Z(I) = e^{itH}$, whatever that is, so $Z(I) \in \text{Hom}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{H}) = \mathcal{H}^* \otimes \mathcal{H}$.



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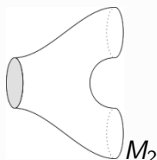
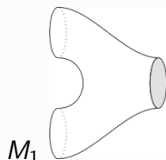
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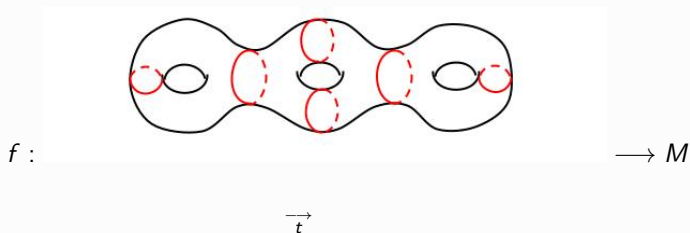
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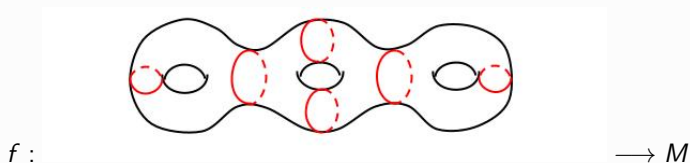
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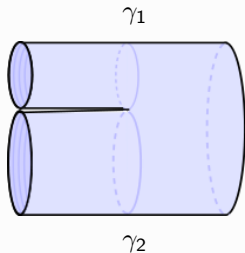


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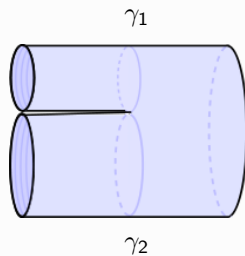
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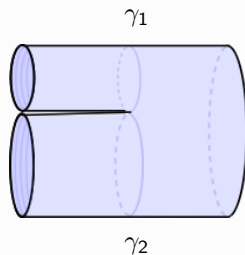
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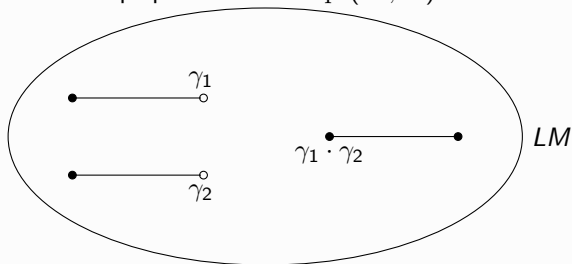
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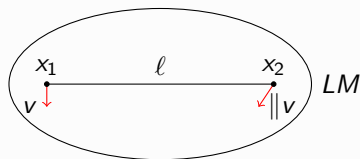
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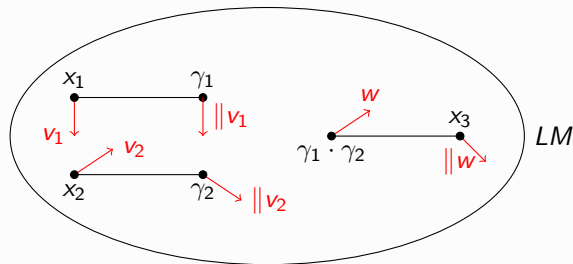
by choosing a curve ℓ in LM between the points, i.e. a cylinder between loops x_1, x_2 in M . Set $Z(\ell) \in \text{Hom}(E_{x_1}, E_{x_2})$ to be the holonomy along the cylinder.



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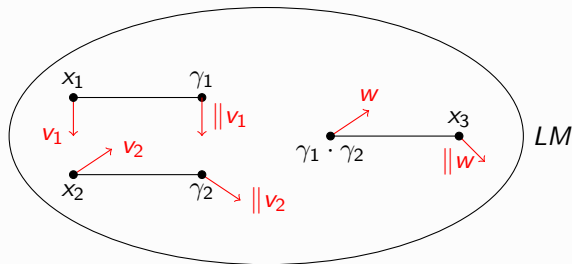


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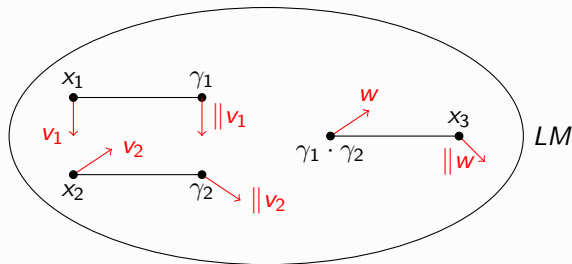
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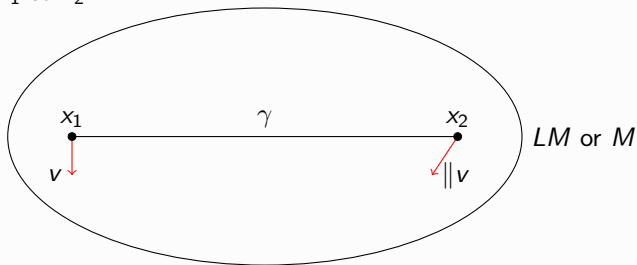
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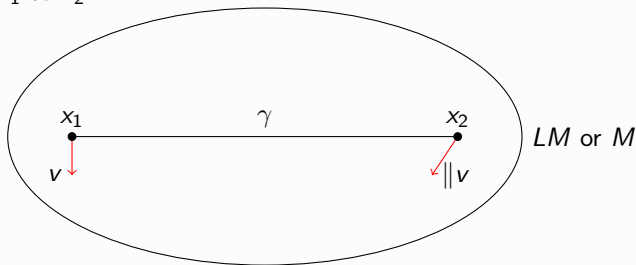
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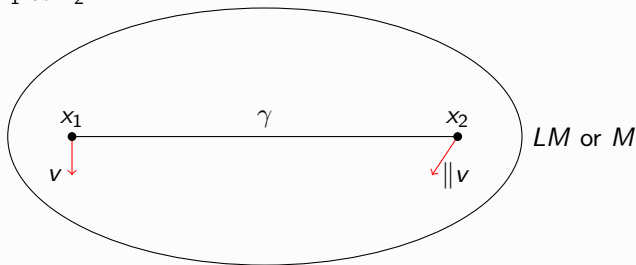
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2) Parallel transport exists along continuous paths by solving a stochastic ODE.

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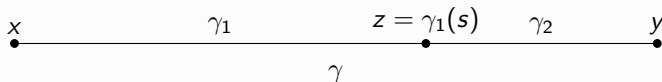
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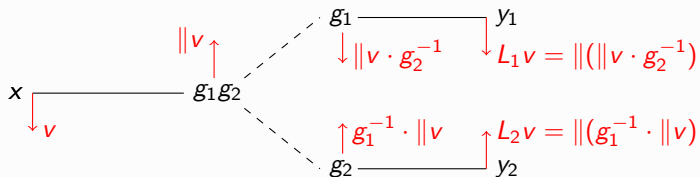
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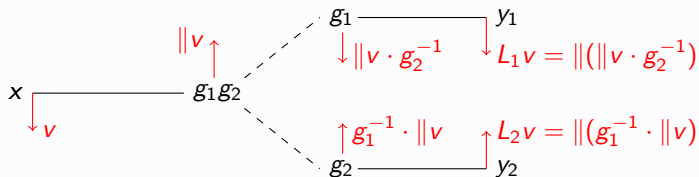
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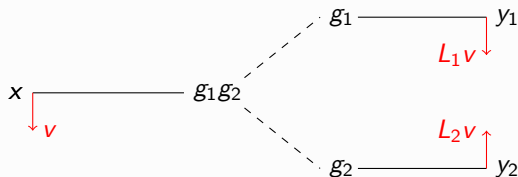
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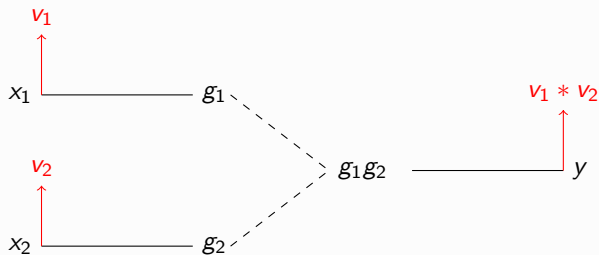


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Moral: An endomorphism of an inner product space and a choice of a nonzero vector should give rise to an A_∞ -algebra on the Fock space. These algebras are isomorphic for different vectors, so we should have an A_∞ -algebra associated to an endomorphism.

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