

Deforming Properly Convex 3-manifolds

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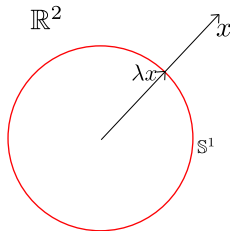
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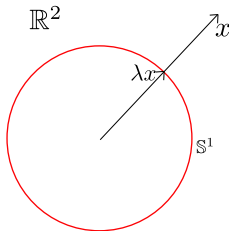
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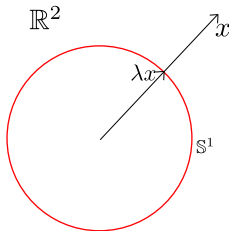


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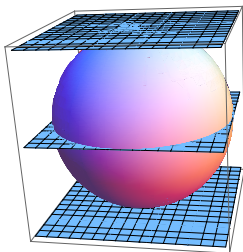
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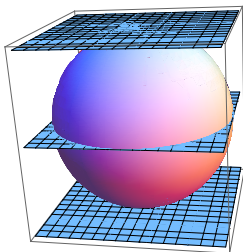
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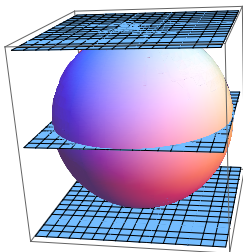


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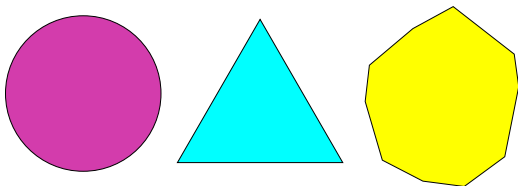
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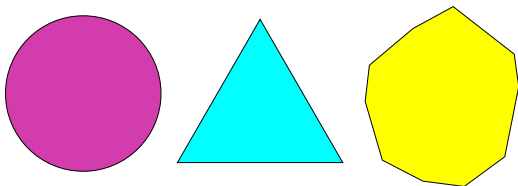
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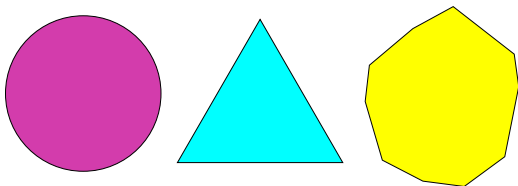


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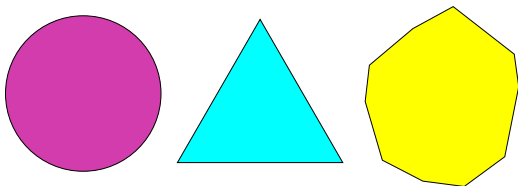
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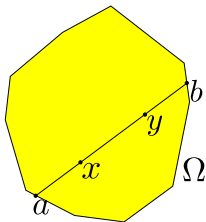
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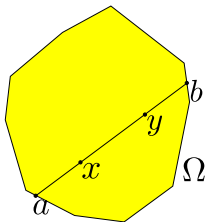


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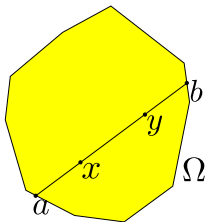
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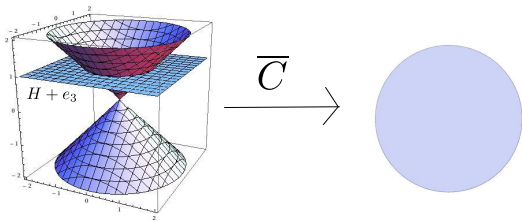


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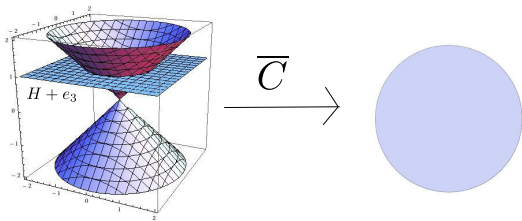
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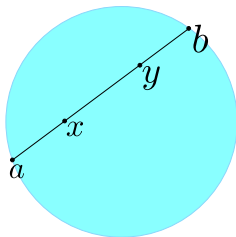
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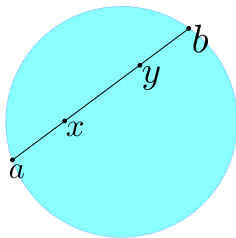
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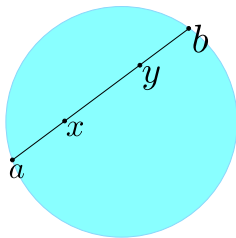
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- M be an orientable n -manifold,
- $\Gamma \backslash \Omega$ be a properly convex manifold, and
- $f : M \rightarrow \Gamma \backslash \Omega$ be a diffeomorphism (called a *marking*)

then $(f, \Gamma \backslash \Omega)$ is a *properly convex structure on M*

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f also gives a representation

$$\rho : \pi_1 M \rightarrow \Gamma \subset \text{SL}_{n+1}^{\pm}(\mathbb{R})$$

called a *holonomy representation*. Dev is ρ -equivariant.

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$\mathfrak{B}(M) = \{[(f, \Gamma \backslash \Omega)] \mid \Gamma \backslash \Omega \text{ properly convex}\}$ is called the *deformation space* of M

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(i.e. complete hyperbolic manifolds are properly convex manifolds.)

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$$\text{Hol} : \mathfrak{B}(M)_{ce} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}(M)_{rel}$$

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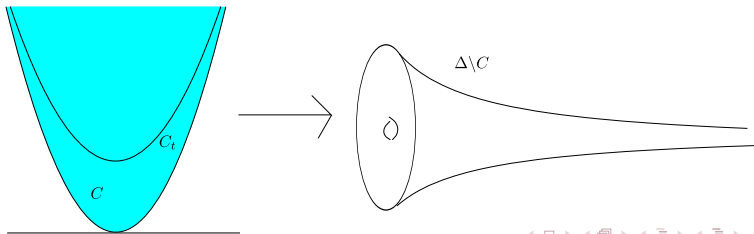
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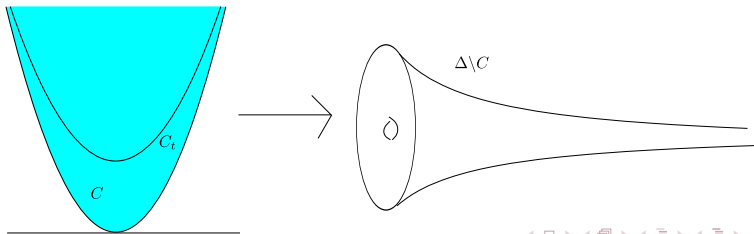
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Then this cover can be realized as $\Delta \backslash C$ where Δ is a lattice in the Lie group (of parabolic translations)

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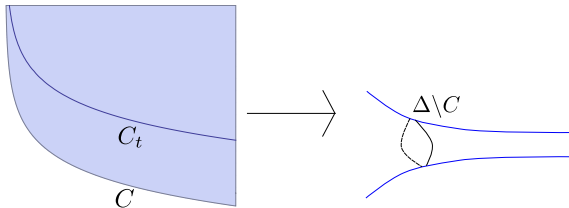
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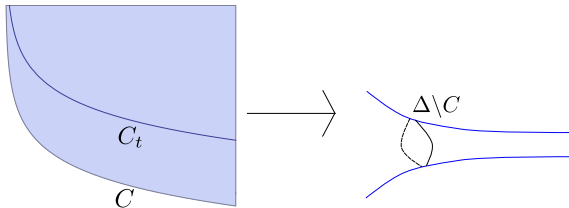
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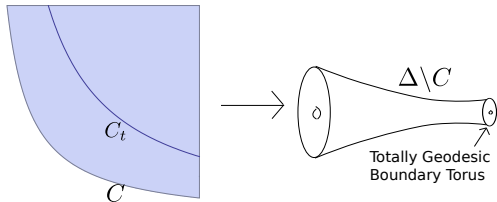
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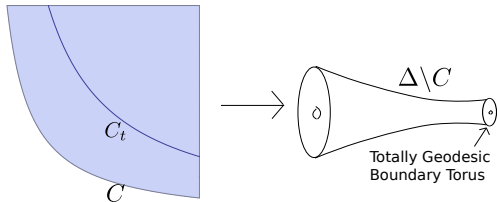
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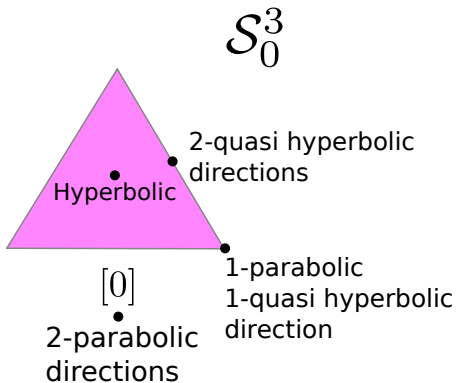
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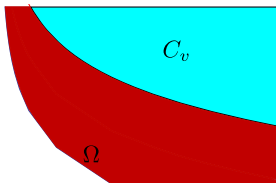
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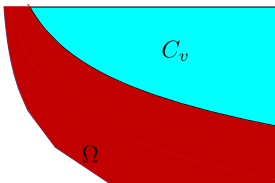
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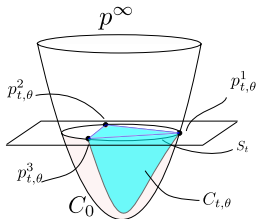
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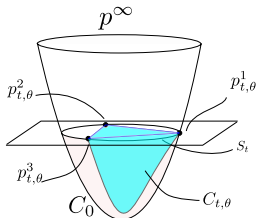


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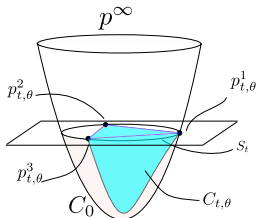
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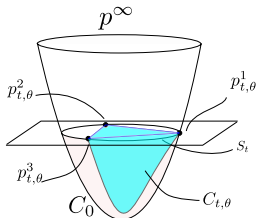
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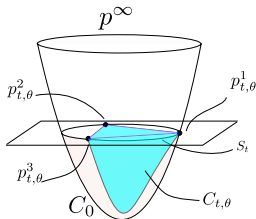
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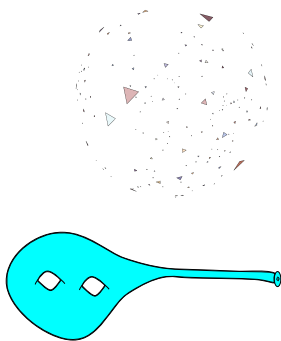
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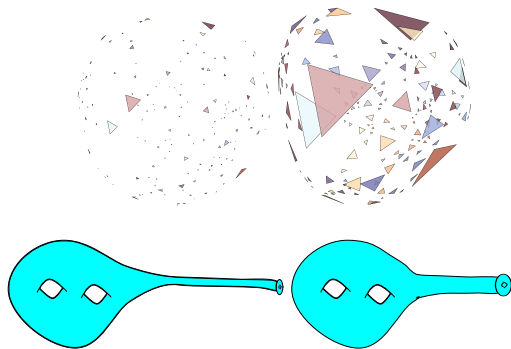
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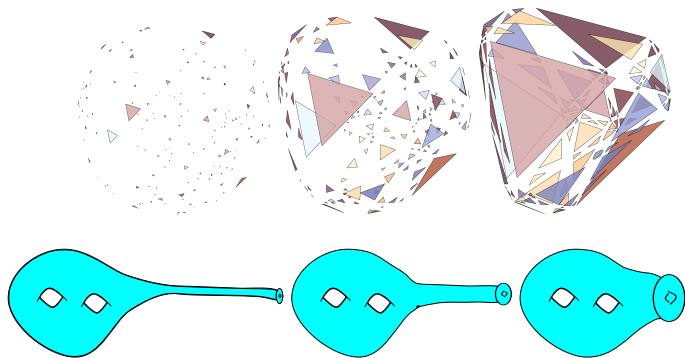
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Deforming Hyperbolic Manifolds

There is a map

$$\text{res} : \text{Hom}(M, \text{SL}_4(\mathbb{R})) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\partial M, \text{SL}_4(\mathbb{R}))$$

- $\text{Hom}(\partial M, \text{SL}_4(\mathbb{R}))$ is a smooth manifold near $\text{res}(\rho_{hyp})$
- Image of res has codimension 3 near $\text{res}(\rho_{hyp})$ (Poincare duality)
- If M is infinitesimally rigid rel ∂M then $\text{Hom}(M, \text{SL}_4(\mathbb{R}))$ is smooth at ρ_{hyp} .
- \mathcal{S} is a 4-dimensional submanifold of $\text{Hom}(\partial M, \text{SL}_4(\mathbb{R}))$ res (generically) consisting of representations diagonalizable over \mathbb{R} .
- res is transverse to \mathcal{S} near ρ_{hyp} and so we can deform ρ_{hyp} to be diagonalizable when restricted to $\pi_1 \partial M$.

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Theorem 3 (B–Marquis)

For each $n \geq 3$ and $v \in S_0^n$ be a vertex there is a finite volume hyperbolic n -manifold whose hyperbolic structure can be deformed to have a generalized cusp of the form $\Delta \setminus C_v$

Thank you