

Uniqueness among scalar-flat toric metrics on non-compact surfaces

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- Finding canonical metrics motivates a lot of what we do in Riemannian geometry and it fuels some of what I am going to say today.

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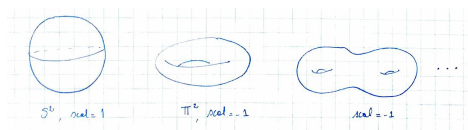
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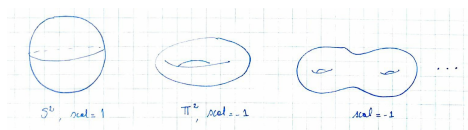
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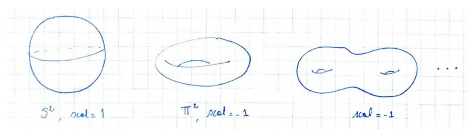
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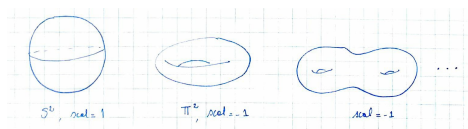
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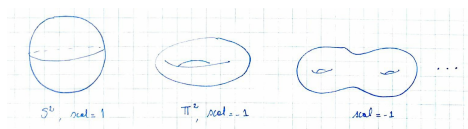


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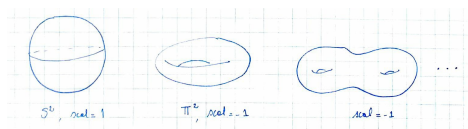
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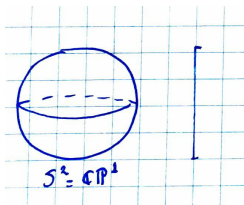
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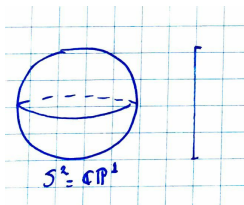


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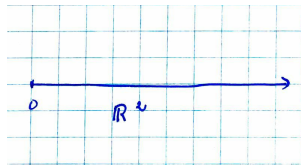
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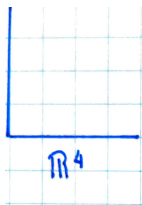


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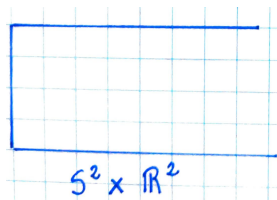


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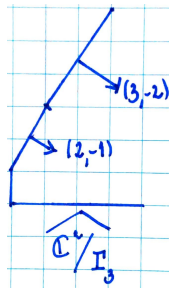
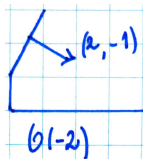


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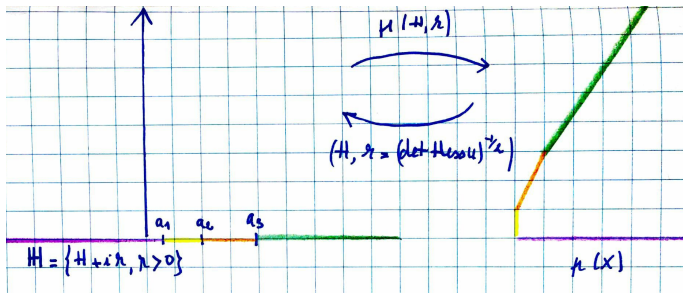
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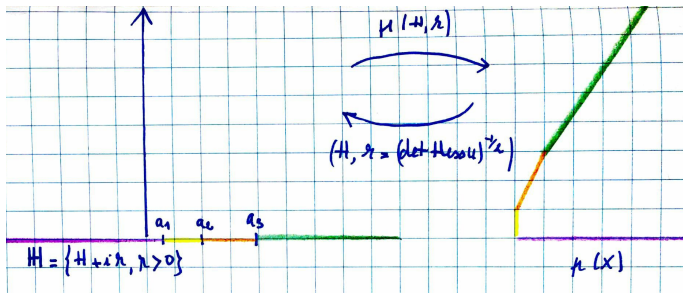
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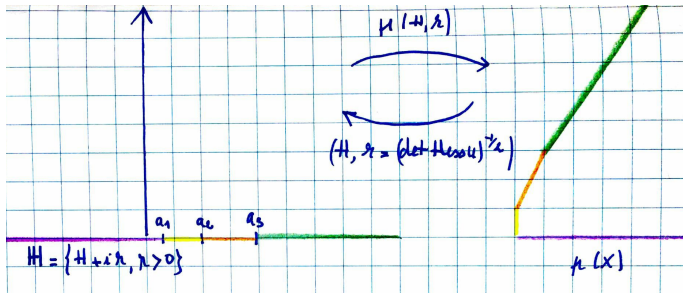
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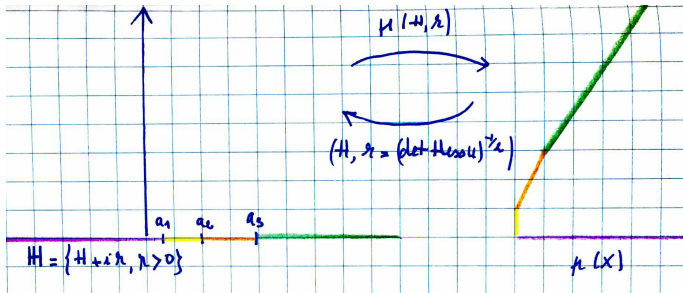
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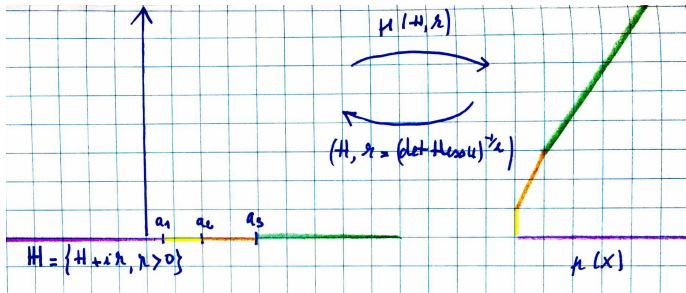
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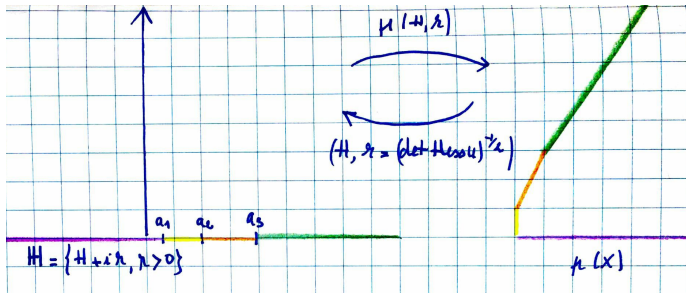


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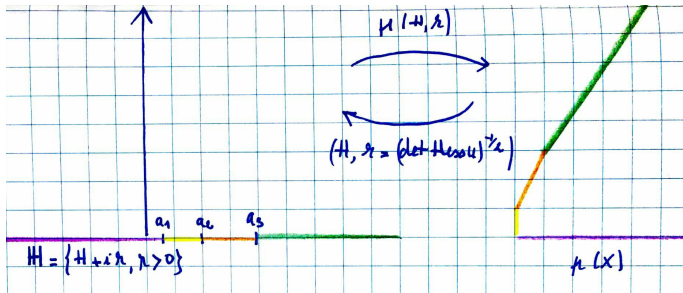
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