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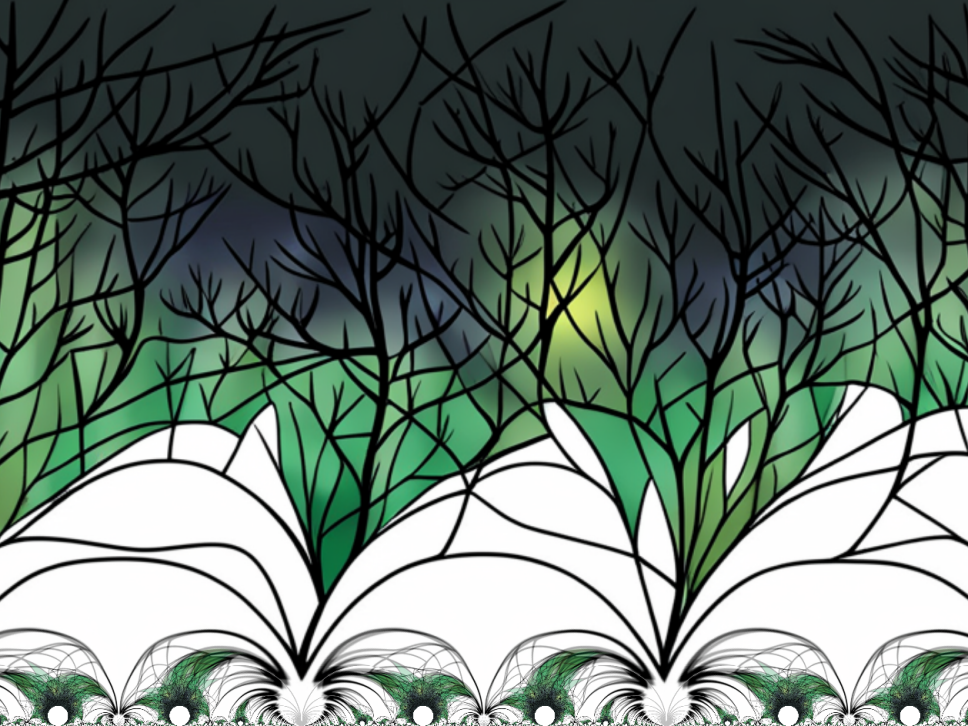
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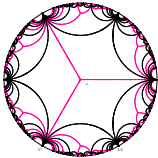
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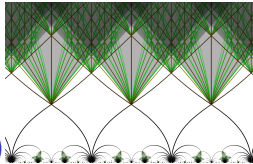


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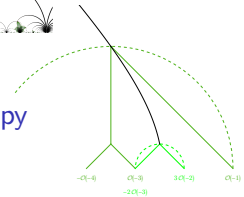
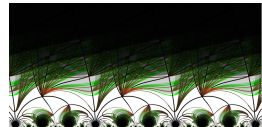
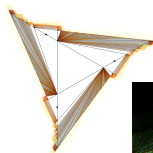
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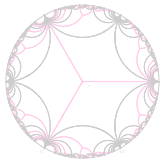
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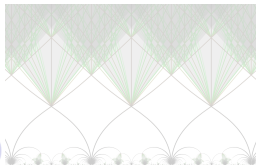


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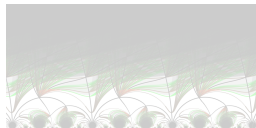


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More precisely

IIA strings on X

\iff M-theory on $X \times S^1$

\implies 5d $\mathcal{N} = 1$ SCFT on S^1 (keeping KK modes)

Behaves like a 4d $\mathcal{N} = 2$ Seiberg–Witten theory with an infinite spectrum

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Goal: $\Omega_\tau(\gamma)$ counting BPS states of charge γ (weighted by y^{J_3})
for every value of τ (Kähler moduli of X)

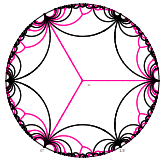
- known in some limits
 - Kontsevich–Soibelman
wall crossing when varying τ
- } follow attractor flow
to cross walls

New: fully doing it for the simplest $X = K\mathbb{P}^2$ (canonical bundle on \mathbb{P}^2)

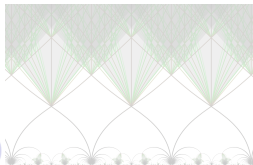
Ideas should generalize to local del Pezzo

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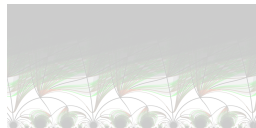
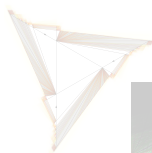
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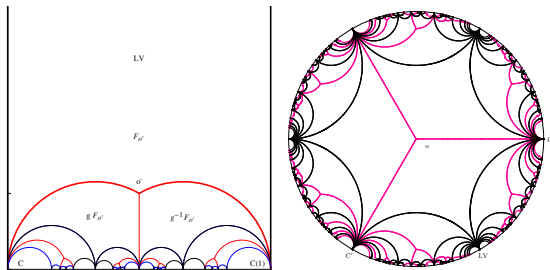


Local \mathbb{P}^2 moduli space

Kähler moduli space

$$\mathcal{M}_K = \mathbb{H}/\Gamma_1(3)$$

$$\dim_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{M}_K = 1$$



- Large volume point (cusp): geometric phase, \mathbb{P}^2 large
BPS particle = Gieseker stable sheaf (complicated)
- Orbifold point: $K\mathbb{P}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^3/\mathbb{Z}_3$ limit
BPS particle = stable representation of a quiver
- Conifold point (cusp): no easy description



Local \mathbb{P}^2 charges

Electromagnetic charge $\gamma = [r, d, \chi) = [r, d, \text{ch}_2]$

(Chern vector of homology class wrapped by D-branes)

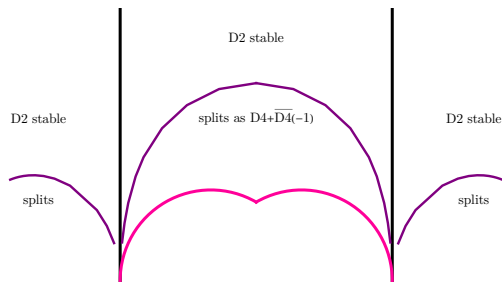
- $\gamma = [1, 0, 1)$ D4 brane \mathcal{O} (structure sheaf of \mathbb{P}^2)
- $\gamma = [0, 1, 1)$ D2 brane \mathcal{O}_C (structure sheaf of curve $C \subset \mathbb{P}^2$)
- $\gamma = [0, 0, 1)$ D0 brane (skyscraper sheaf at point of \mathbb{P}^2)

Central charge $Z_\tau([r, d, \text{ch}_2]) = -rT_D(\tau) + dT(\tau) - \text{ch}_2$

Picard–Fuchs equation (from susy localization or mirror symmetry) gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} T \\ T_D \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} + \int_{\tau_o}^{\tau} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ u \end{pmatrix} \frac{\eta(u)^9}{\eta(3u)^3} du \quad \text{on } \mathbb{H}/\Gamma_1(3), \text{ useful numerically}$$

Local \mathbb{P}^2 example: the small-volume fate of D2 branes



- **At large volume** D2 brane wraps hyperplane class in \mathbb{P}^2
- Below each **wall of marginal stability** it becomes unstable and splits. E.g., for the middle wall it splits as D4 and anti-D4 (with D2 flux)
The wall is the locus where Z_{D2} , Z_{D4} , $Z_{\overline{D4}(-1)}$ have equal phases

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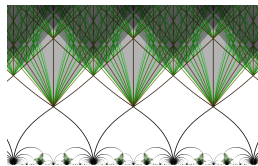
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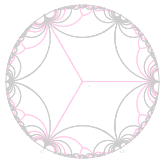
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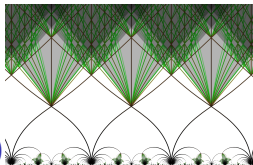


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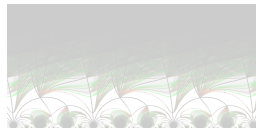
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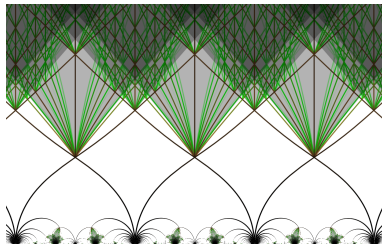
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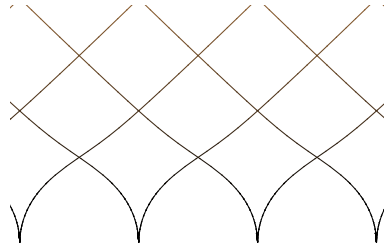
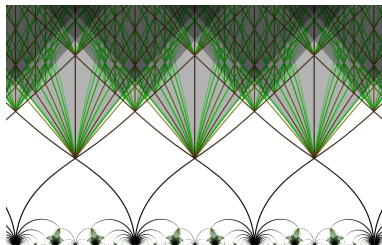
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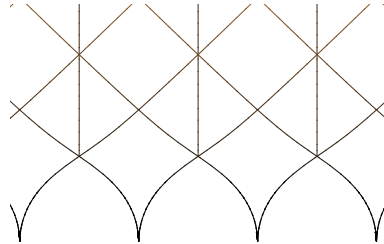
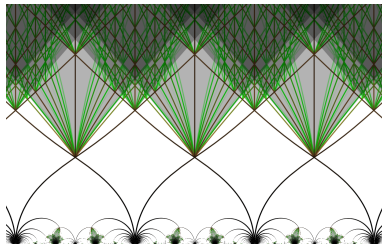
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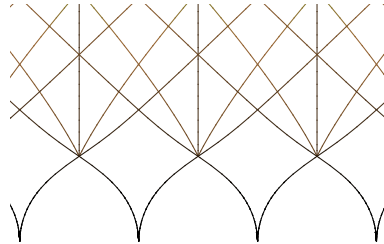
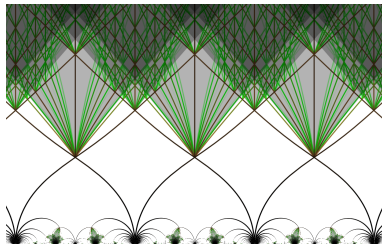
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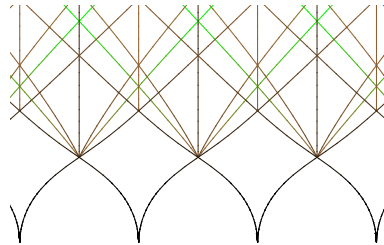
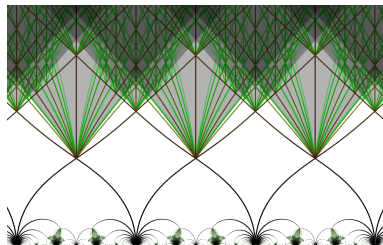
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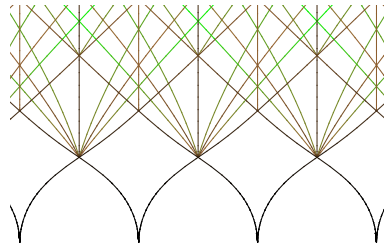
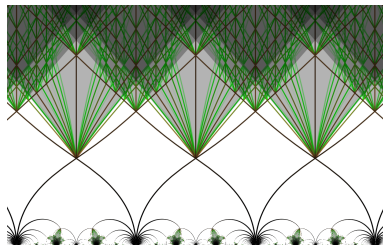
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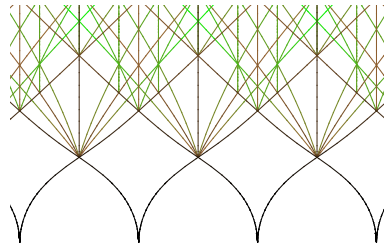
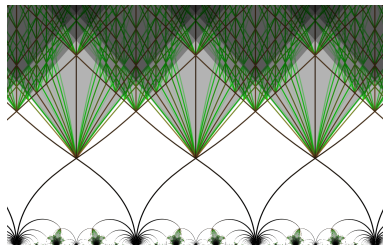
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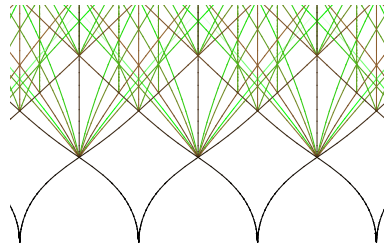
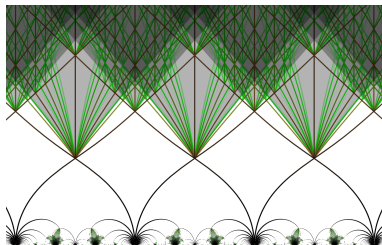
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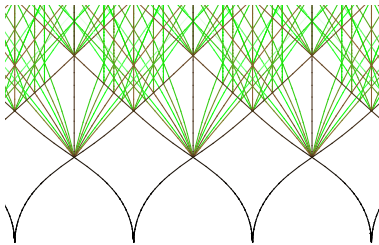
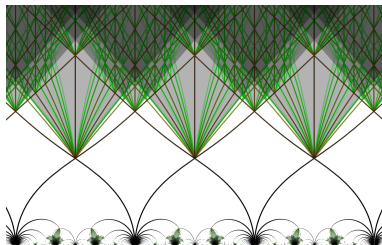
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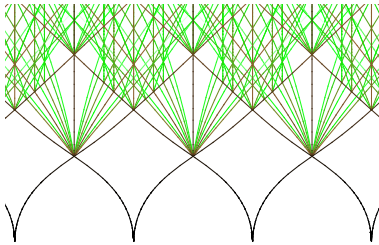
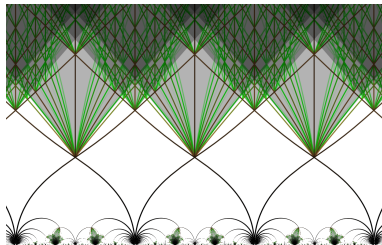
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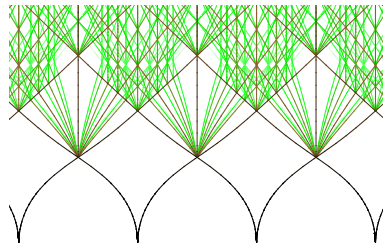
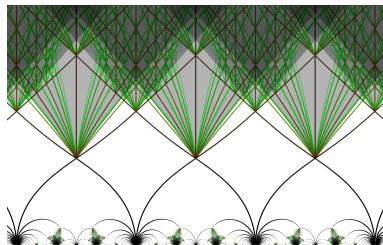
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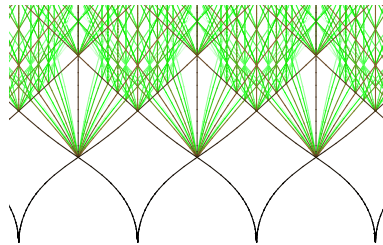
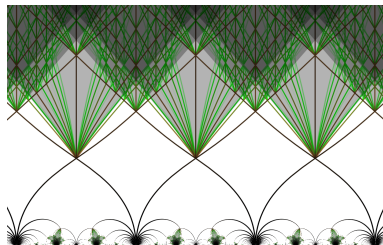
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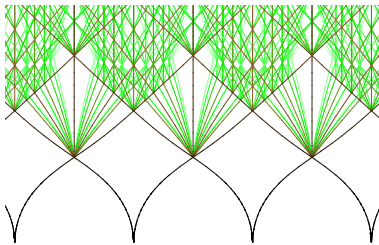
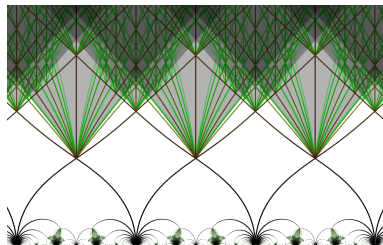
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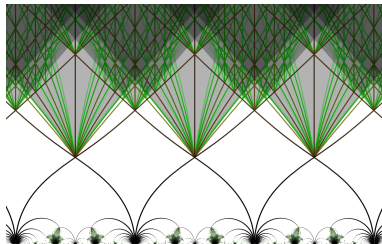
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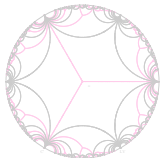
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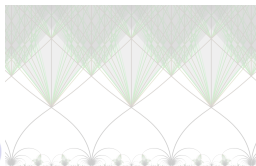
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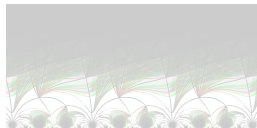
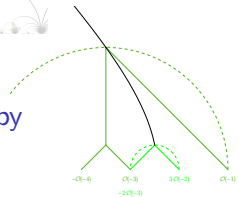
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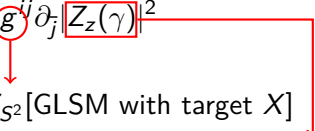
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hence $Z_z(\gamma)$ keeps a **constant phase and decreasing norm**

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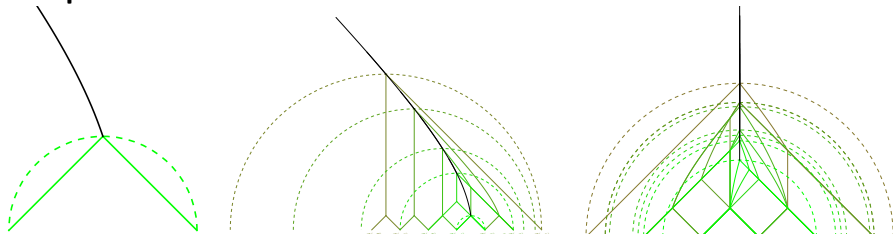
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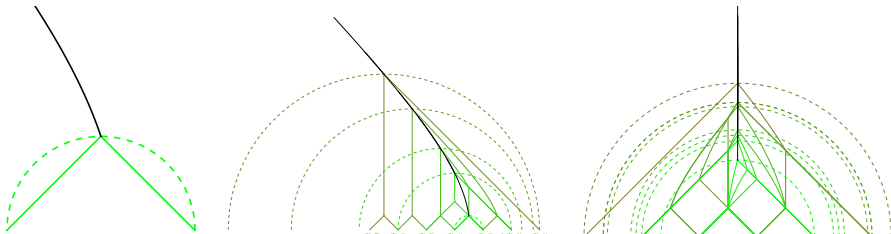


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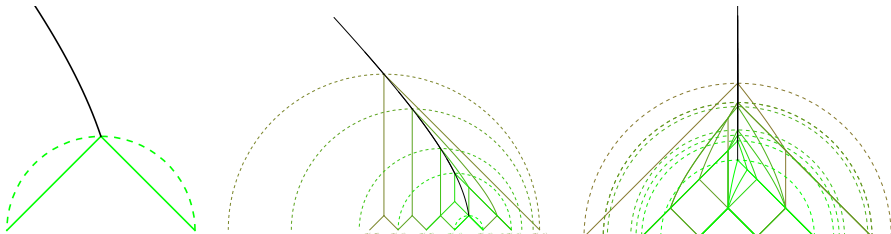
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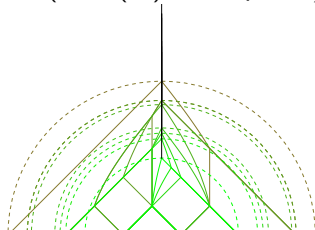
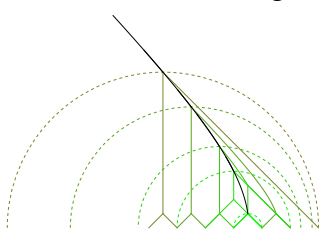
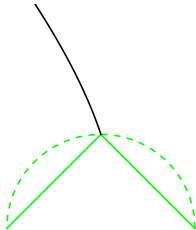
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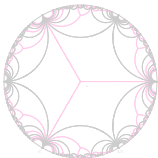
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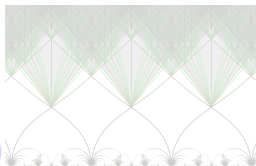


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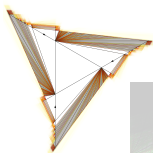


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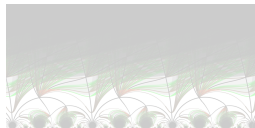


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


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
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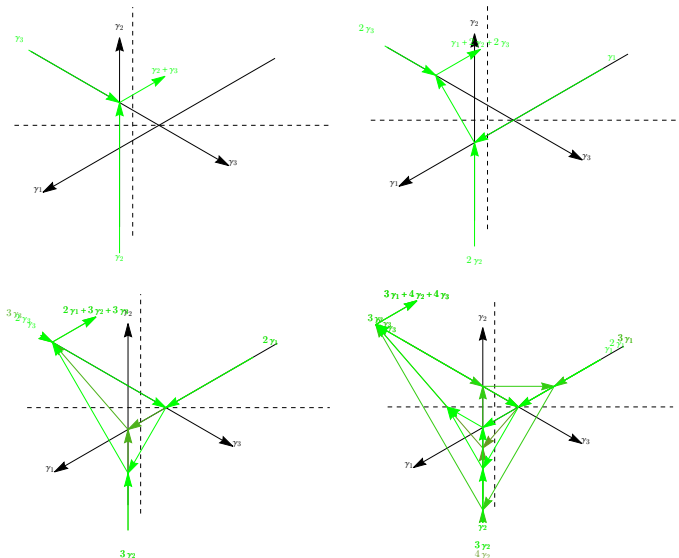
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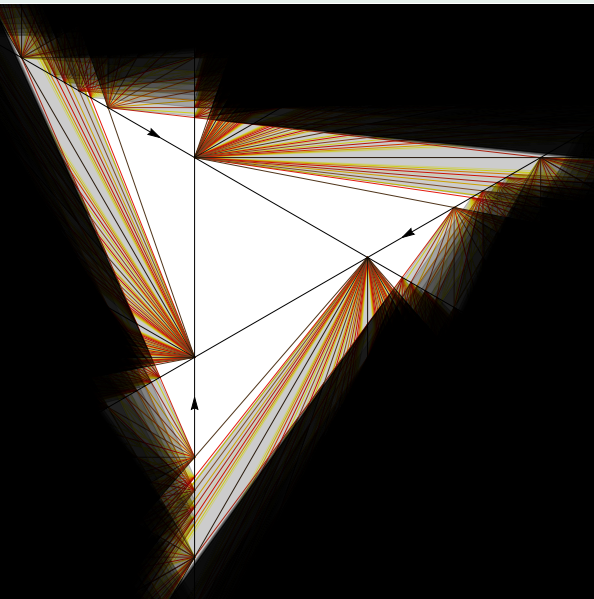
Quiver representations have been very extensively studied

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- Formula of $\Omega_\theta(\gamma)$ in terms of Ω_* complicated:
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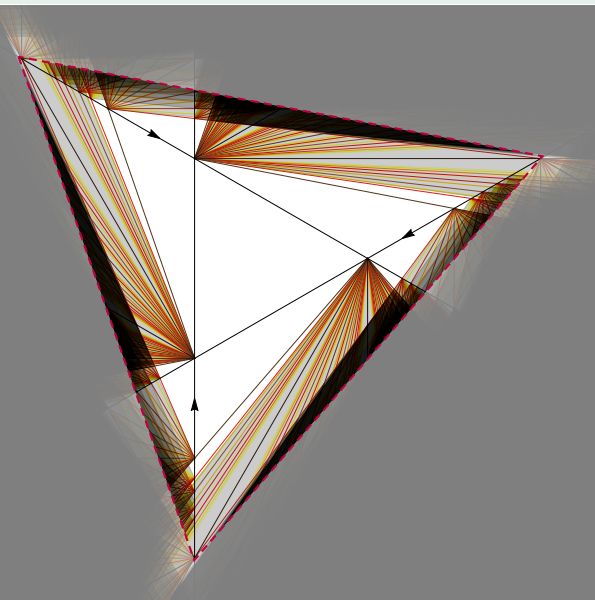
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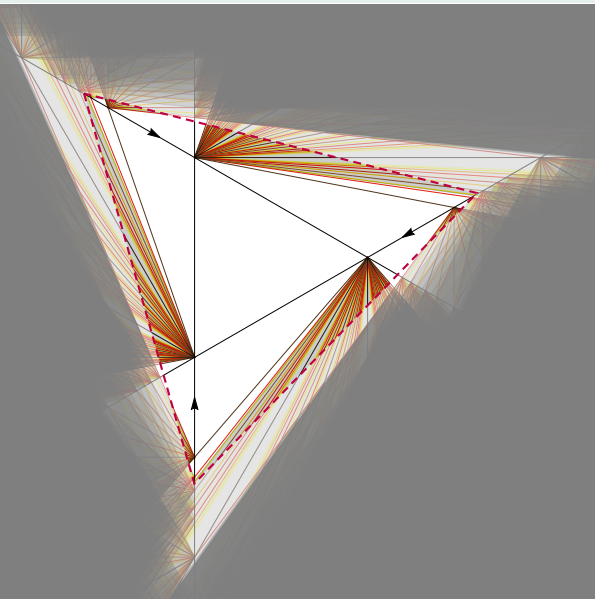
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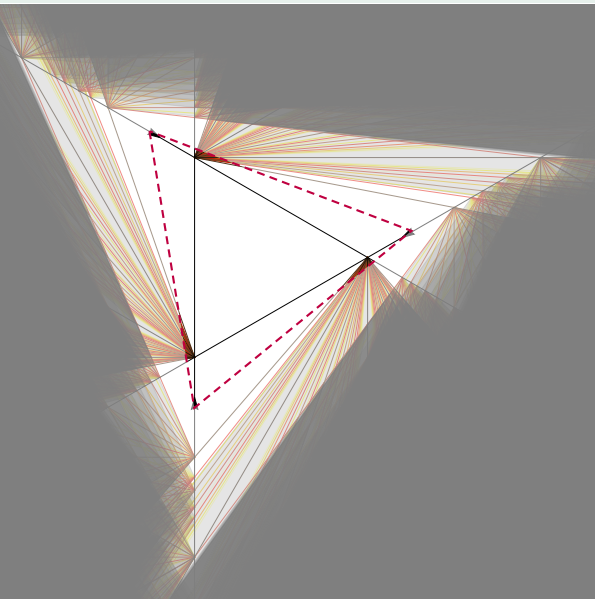
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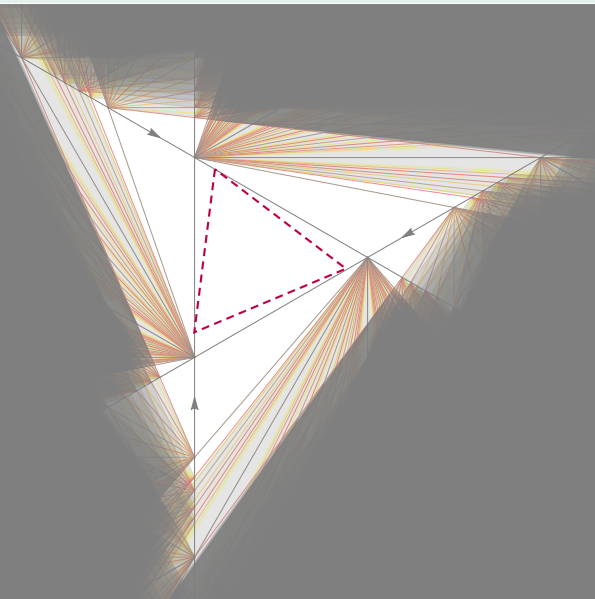
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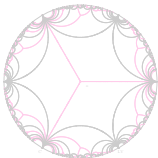
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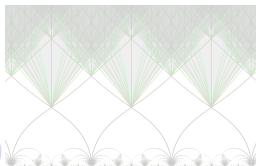
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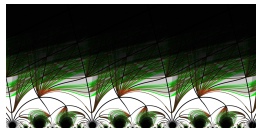
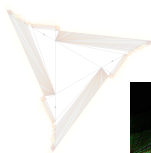
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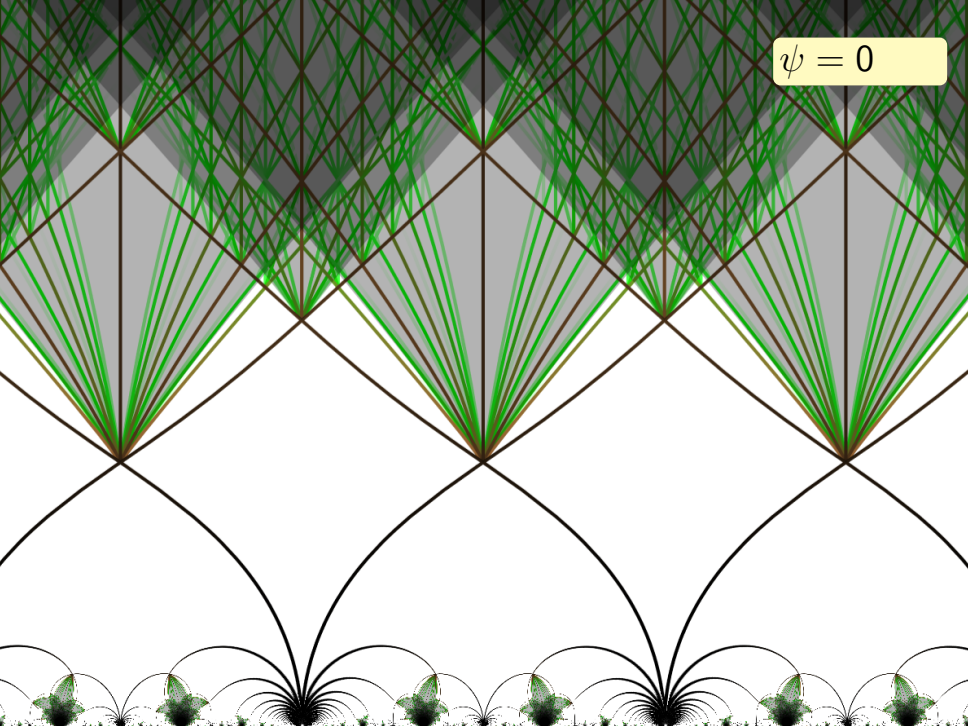
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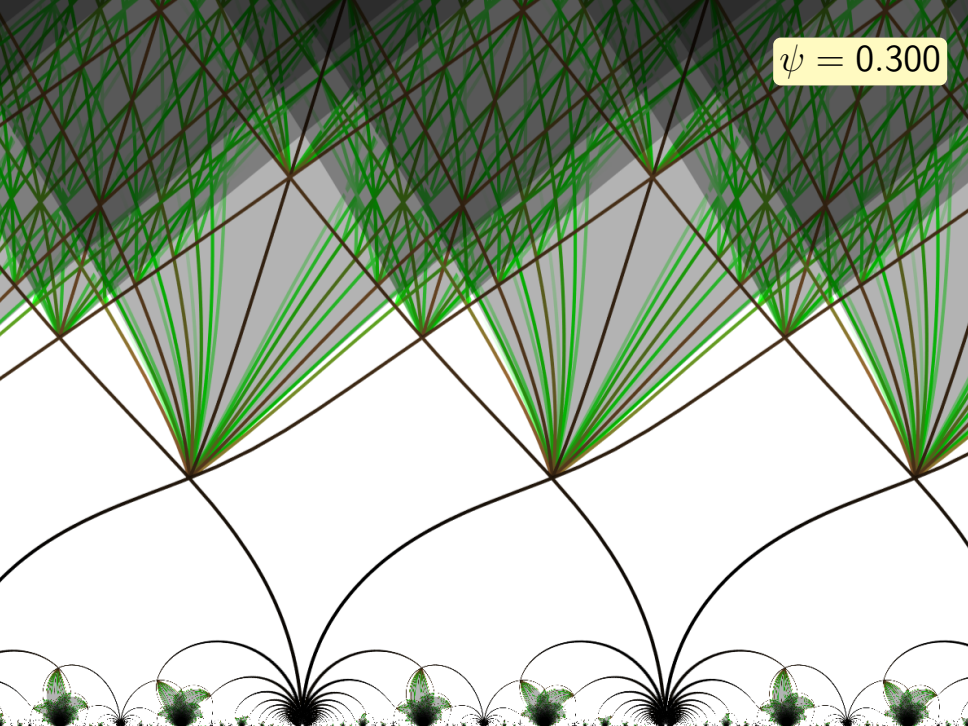
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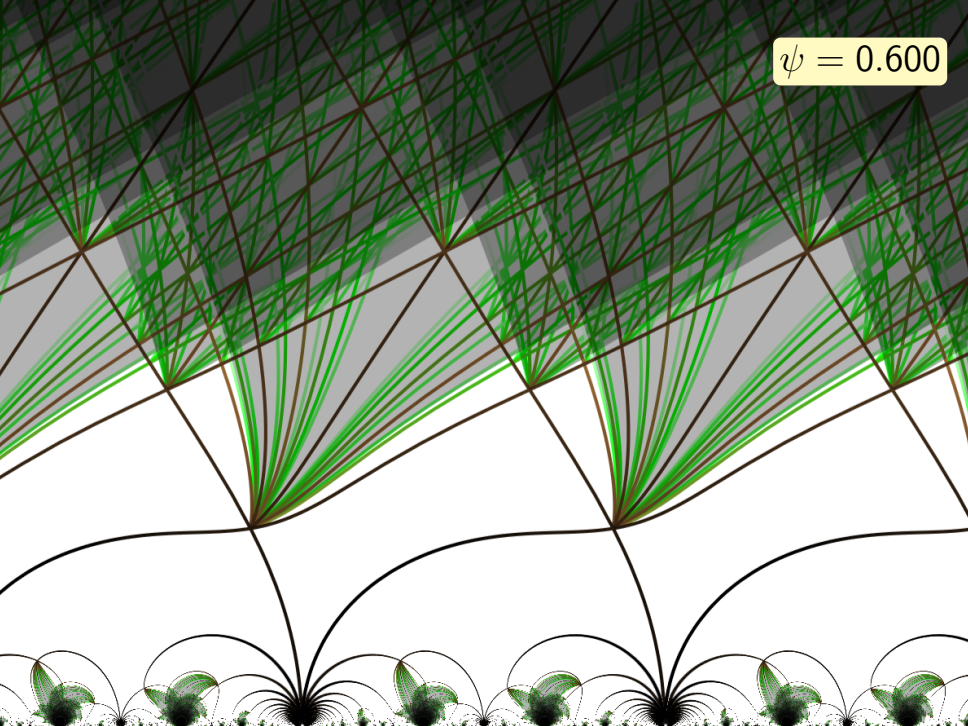
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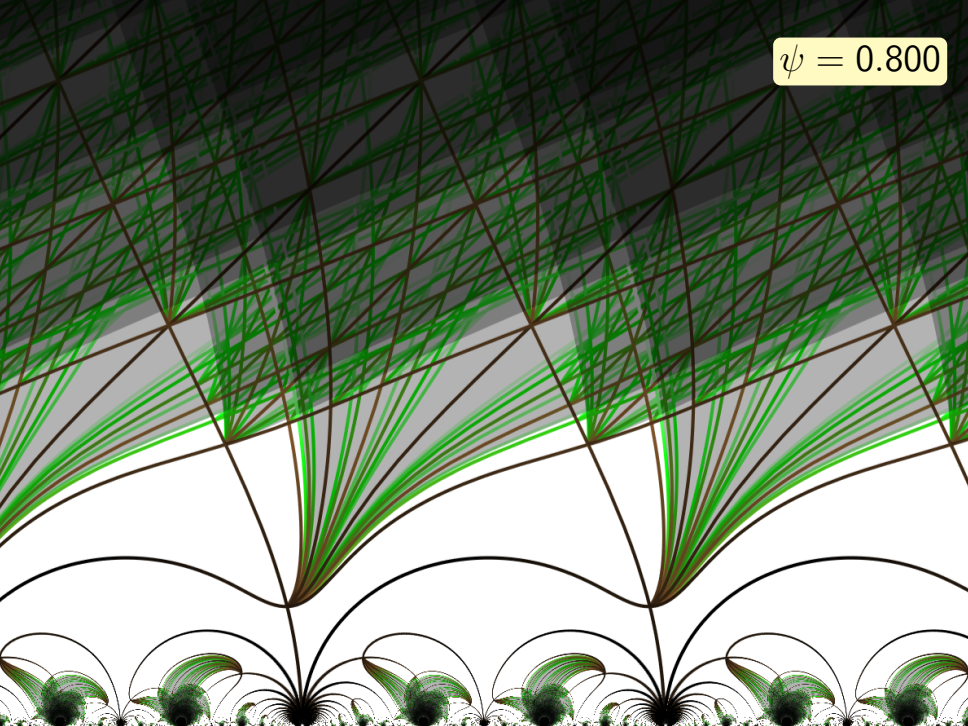
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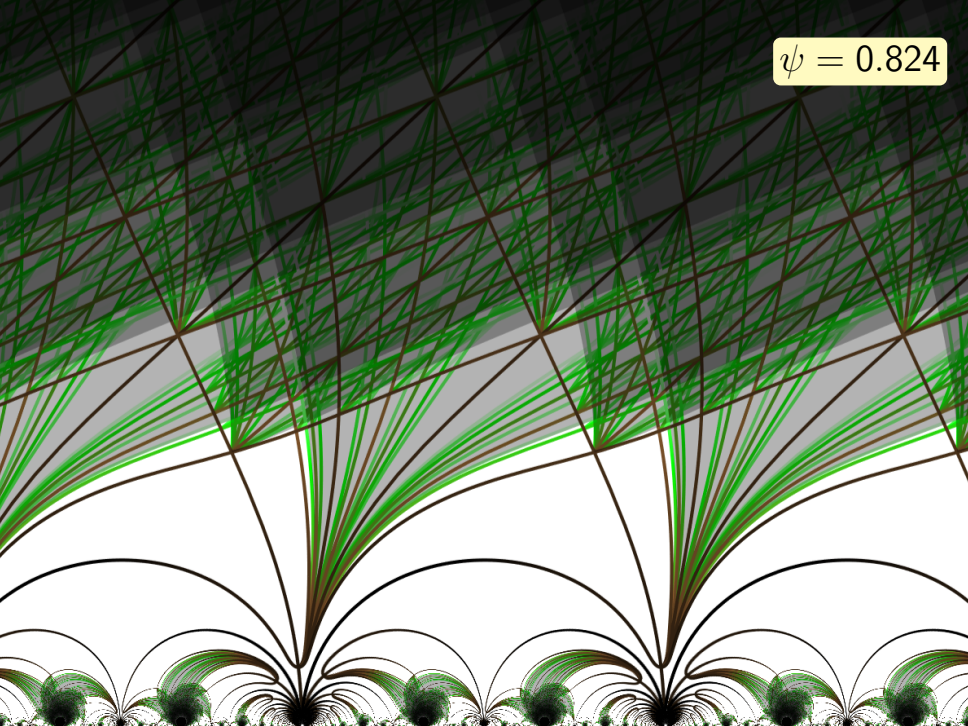
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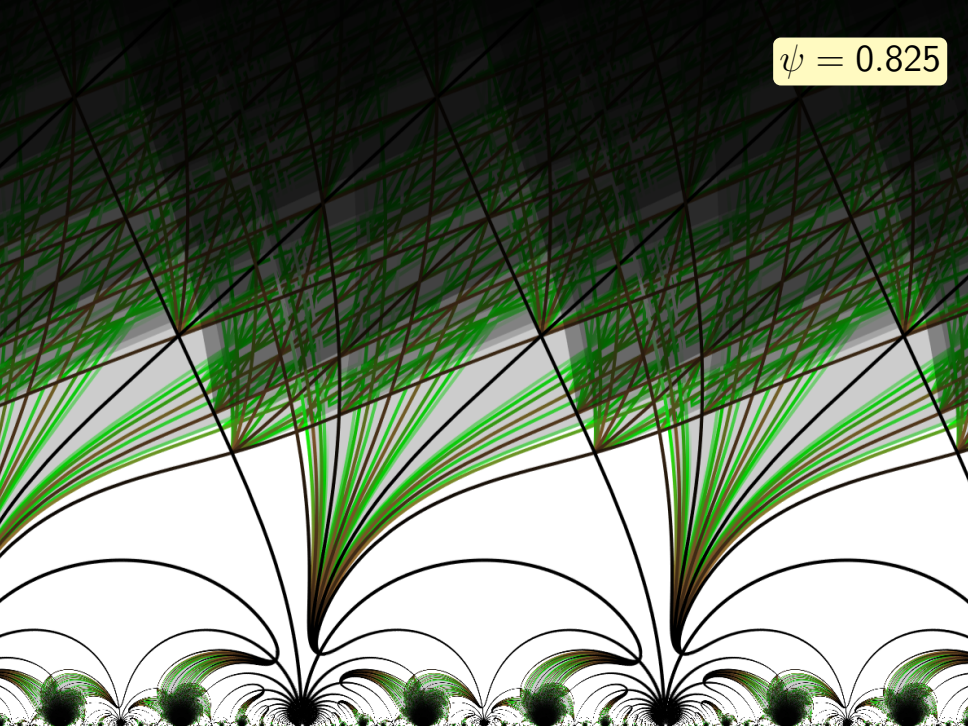
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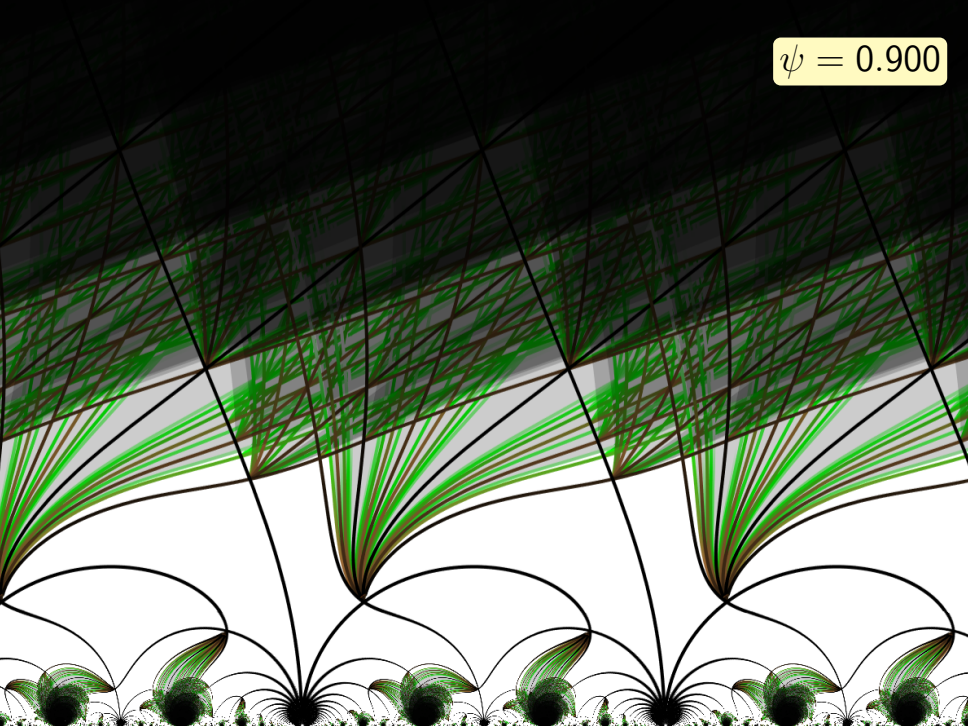
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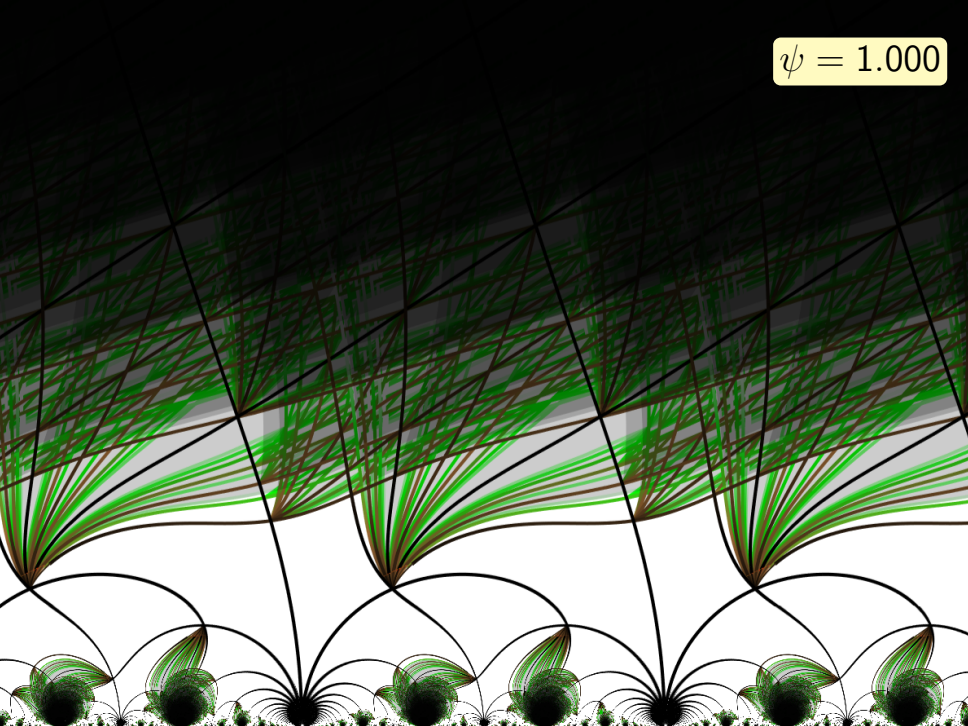
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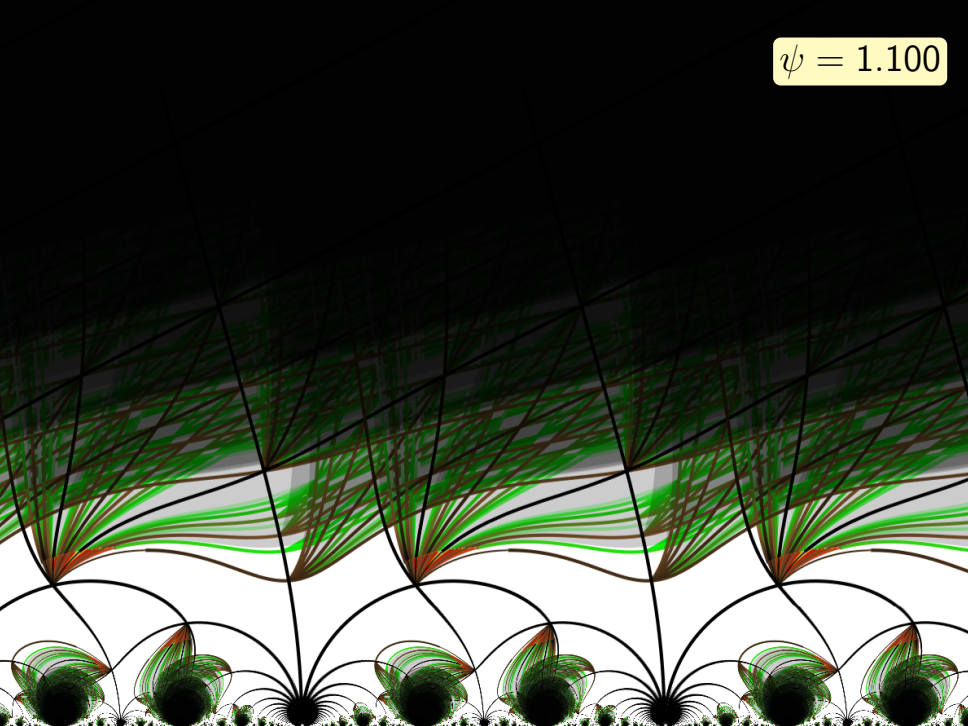
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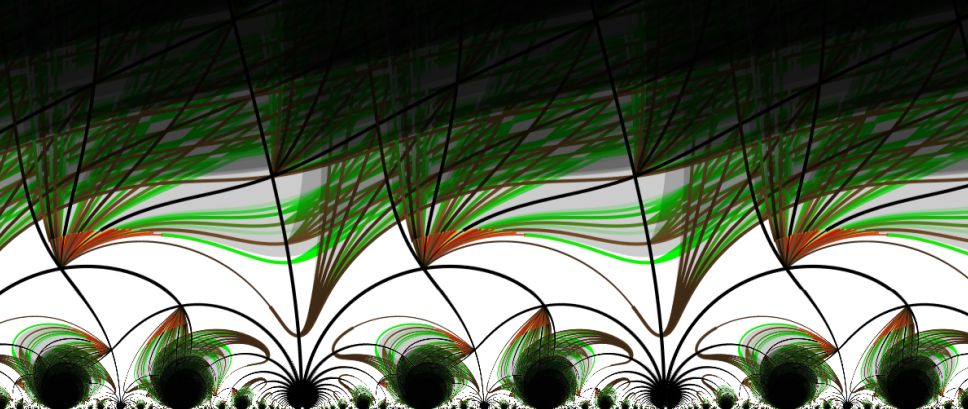
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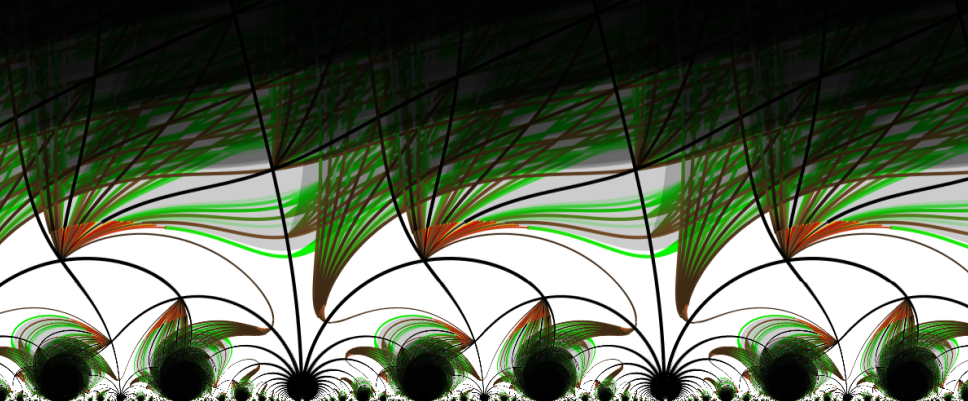
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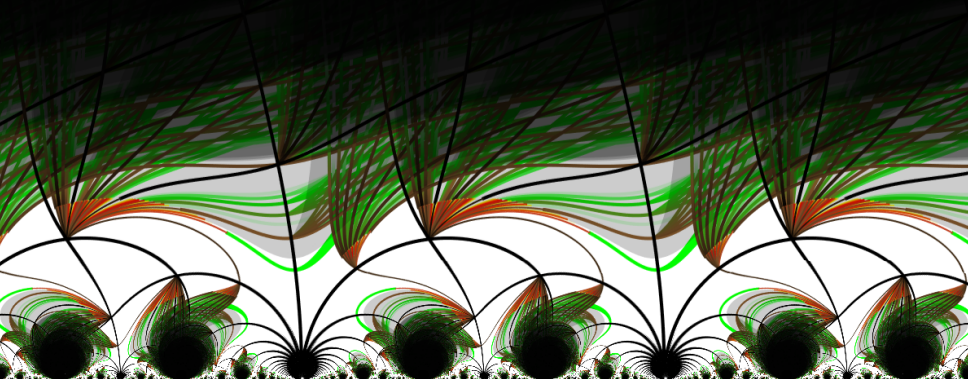
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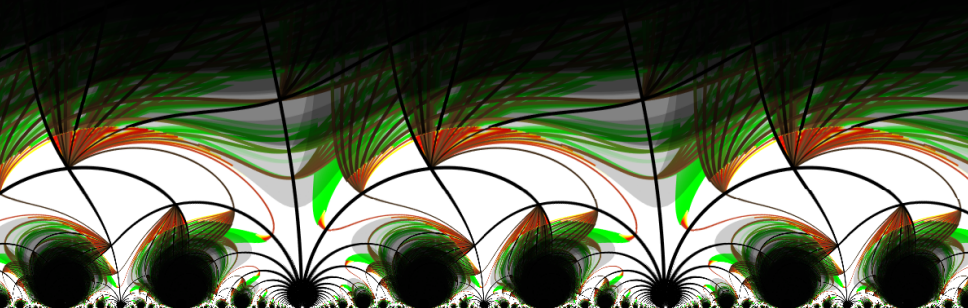
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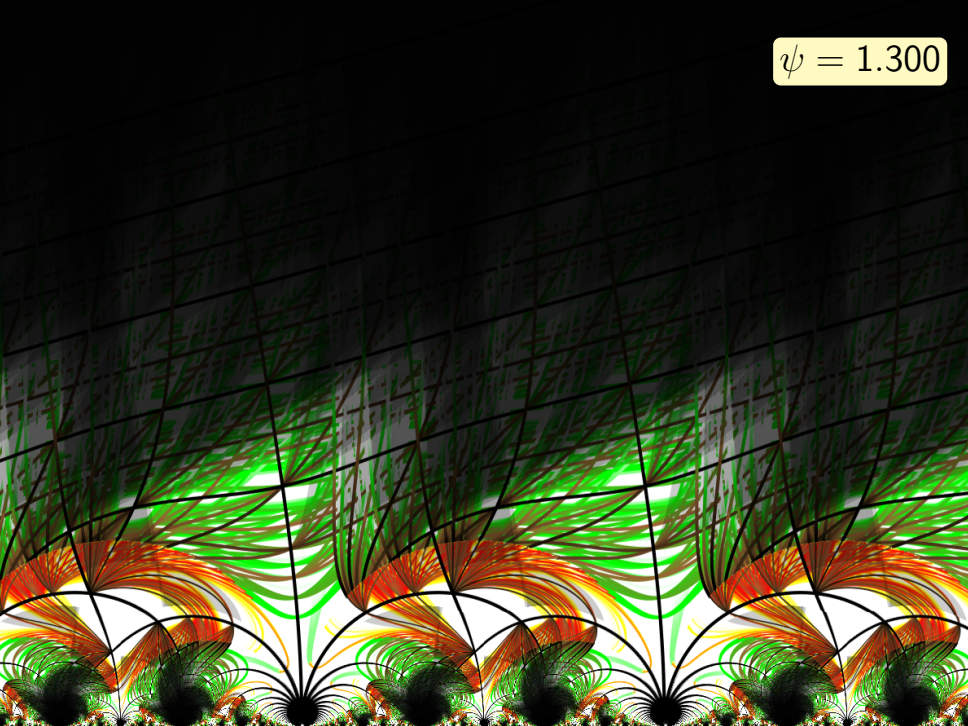
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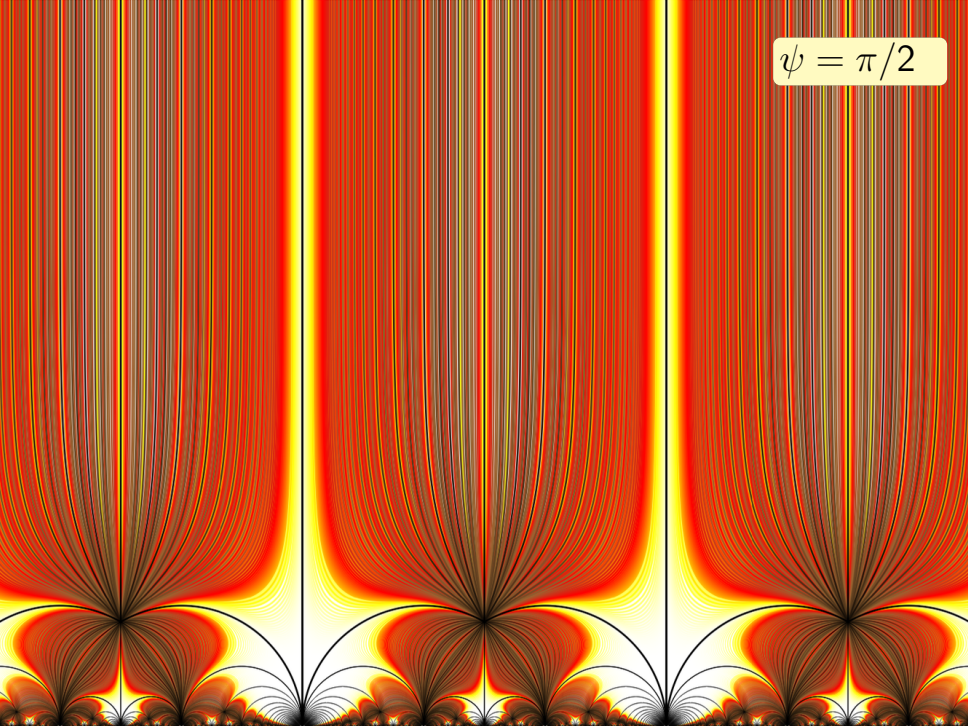
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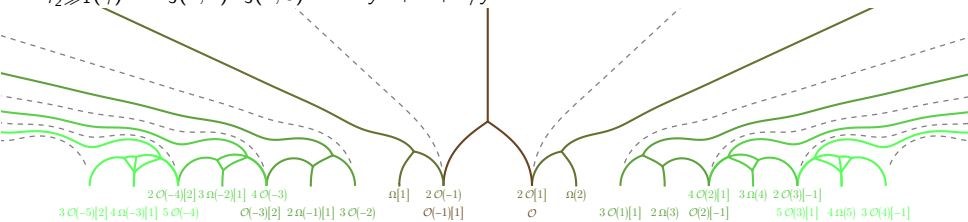
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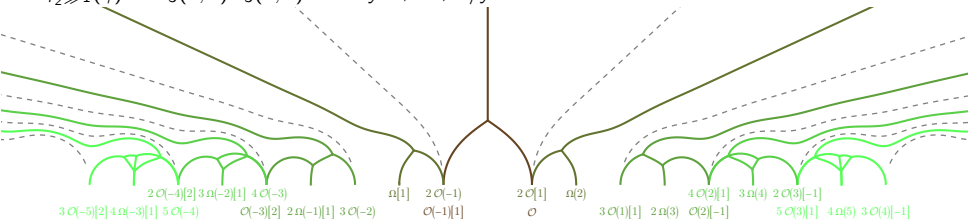
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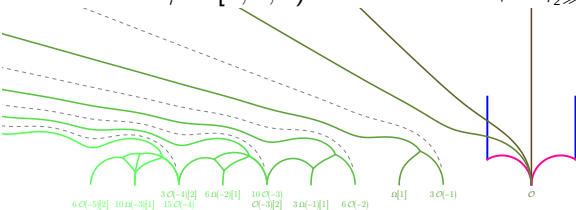
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