



Cosmology from Group Field Theory

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- relation to LQG, spin foams and tensor models
- GFT states \longleftrightarrow (approximate) continuum geometries
- examples of GFT condensates
- effective dynamics for GFT condensates (general)
- special case and approximate Friedmann equations
- conclusions and outlook

GFT basics

recent general introductions and reviews:

D. Oriti, arXiv: gr-qc/0607032

D. Oriti, arXiv: 0912.2441 [hep-th]

R. Gurau, J. Ryan, arXiv: 1109.4812 [hep-th]

D. Oriti, arXiv: 1111.5606 [hep-th]

V. Rivasseau, arXiv:1112.5104 [hep-th]

work by:

Baratin, Ben Geloun, Bonzom, Carrozza, De Pietri, Fairbairn, Freidel, Gielen, Girelli, Gurau, Livine, Louapre, Krajewski, Krasnov, Magnen, Noui, Oriti, Perez, Raasakka, Reisenberger, Rivasseau, Rovelli, Ryan, Sindoni, Smerlak, Tanasa, Vitale,

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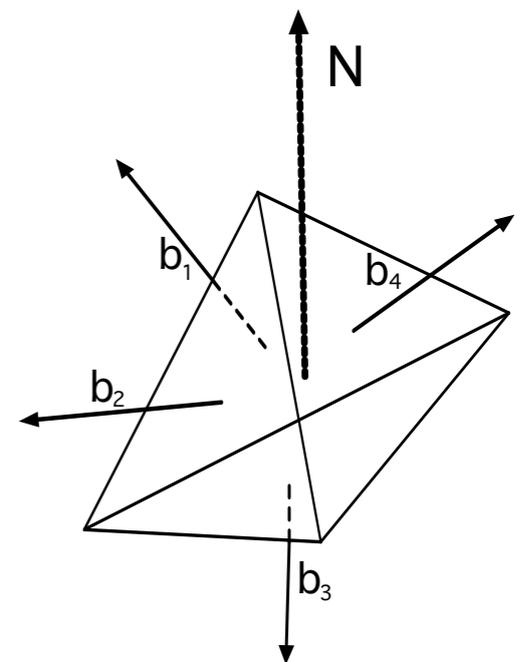
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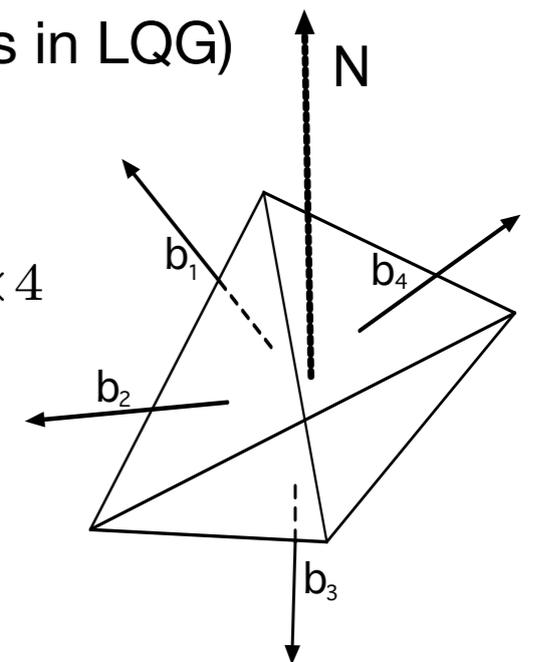
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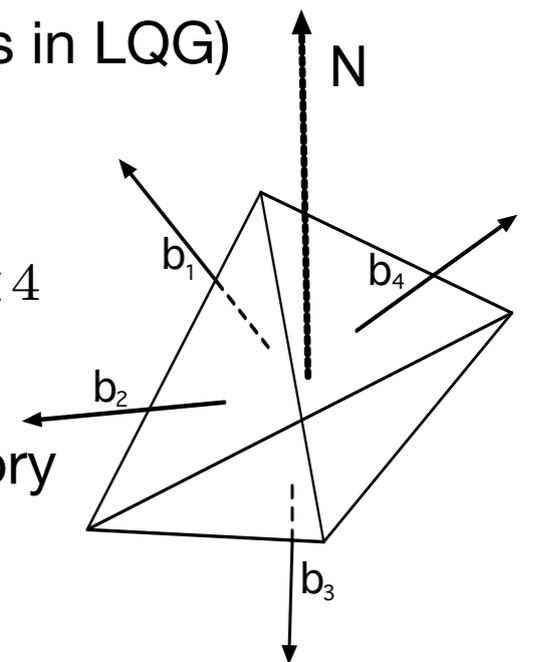
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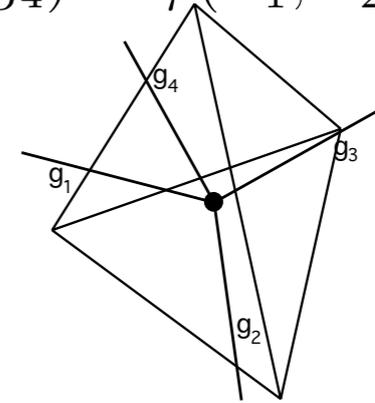
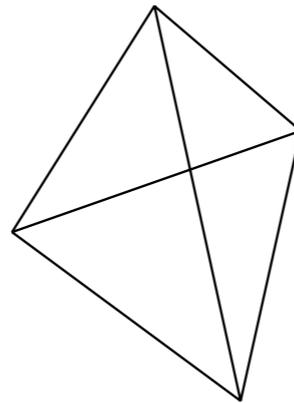
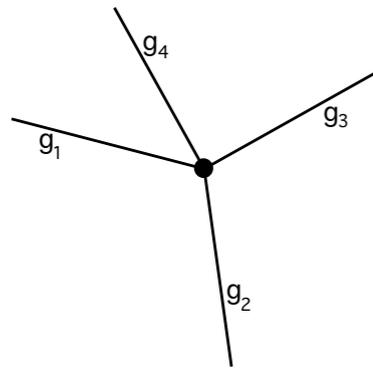
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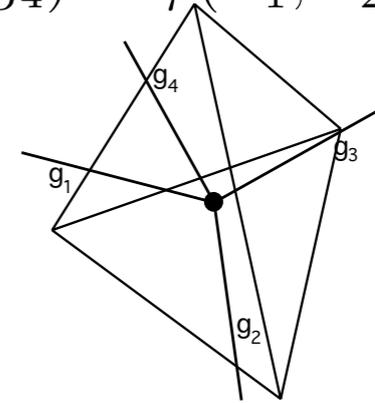
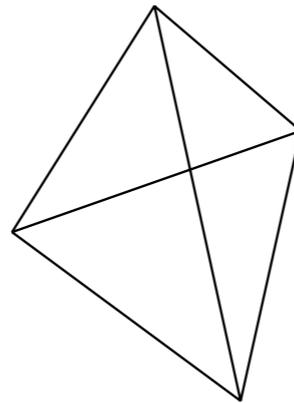
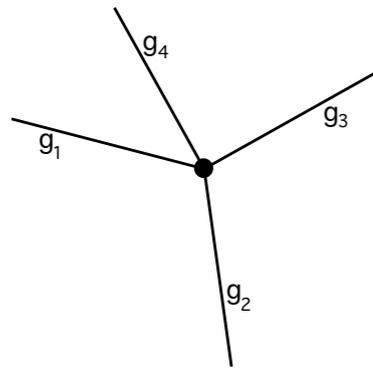
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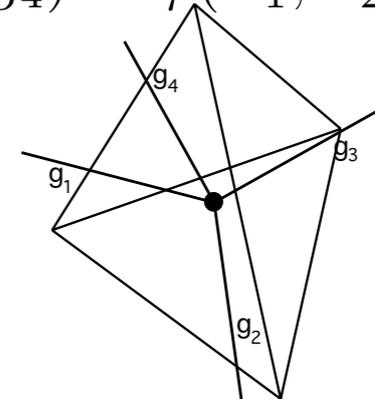
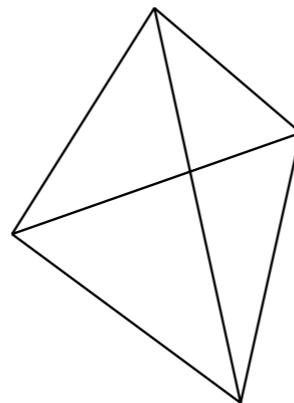
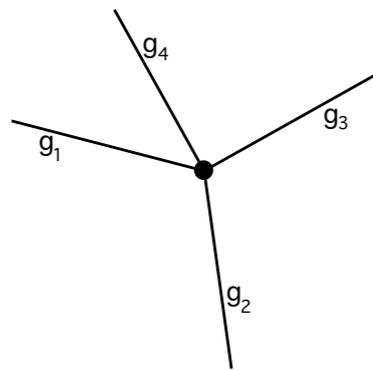


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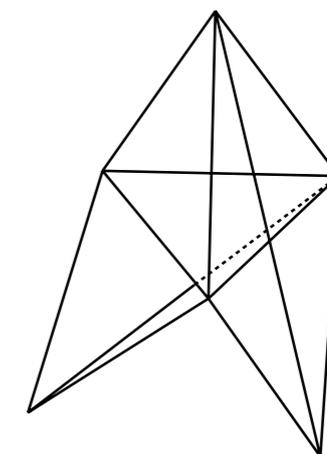
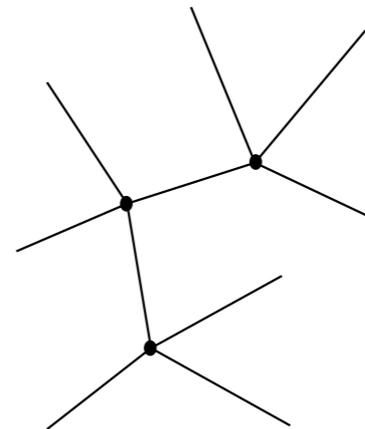
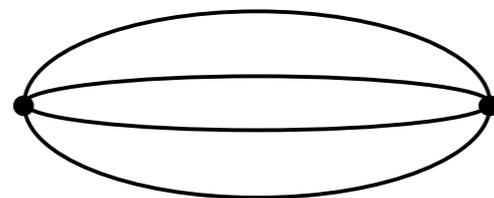
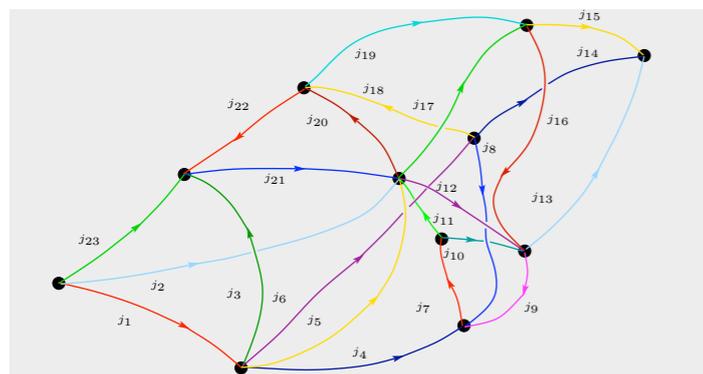
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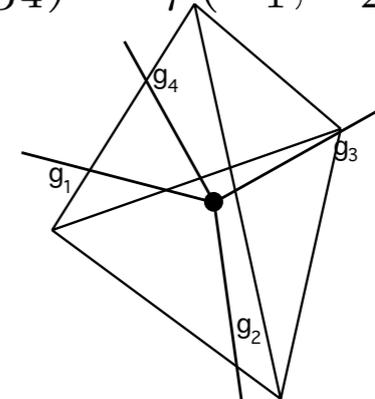
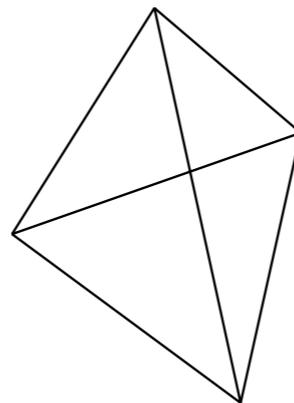
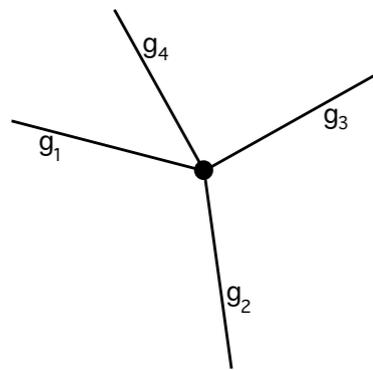
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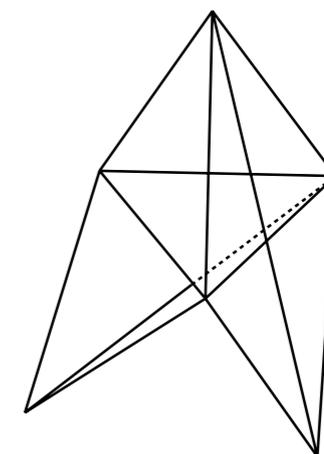
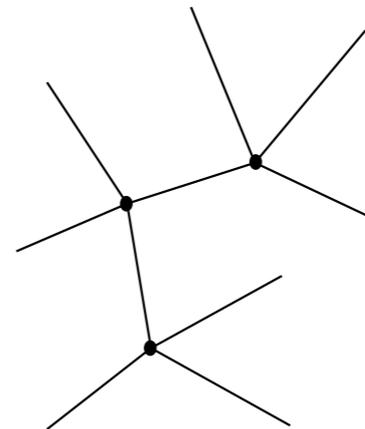
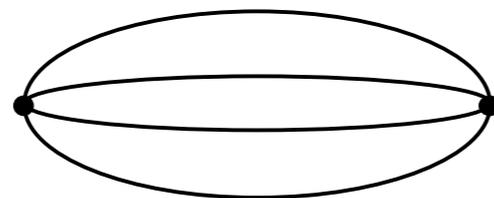
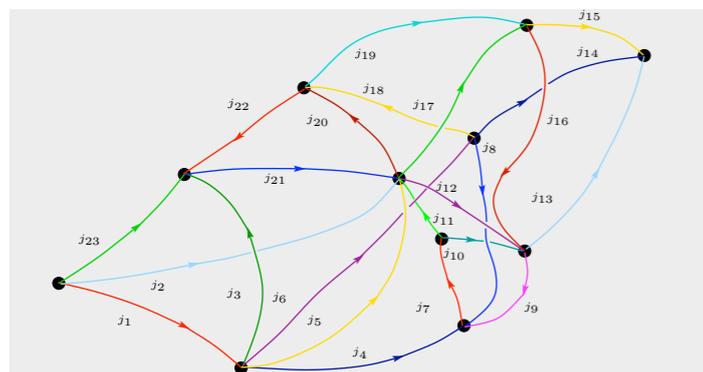
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second quantized version of (generalized) LQG (adapted to simplicial context), but dynamics not derived from canonical quantization of GR

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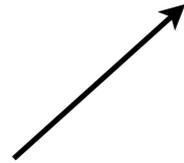
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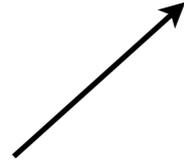
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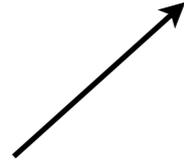
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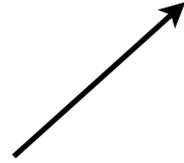
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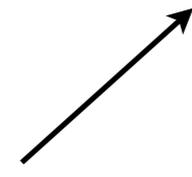
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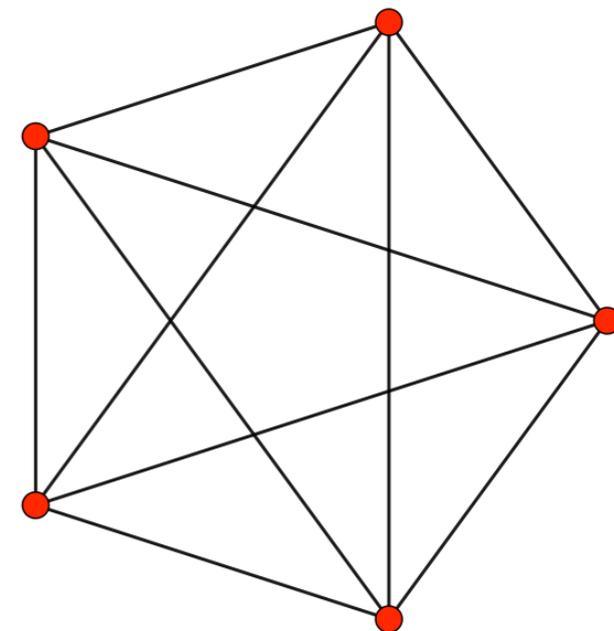
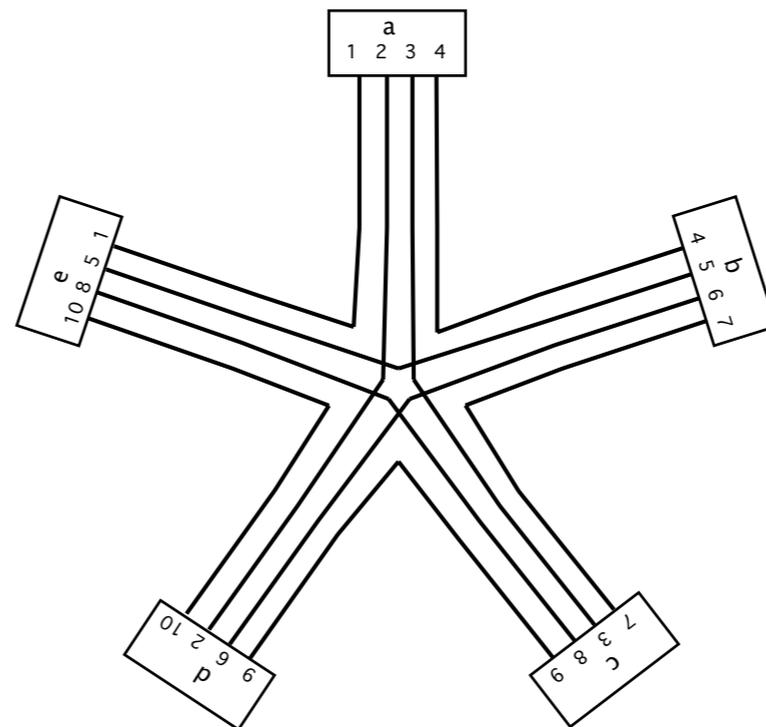
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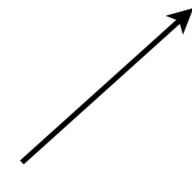


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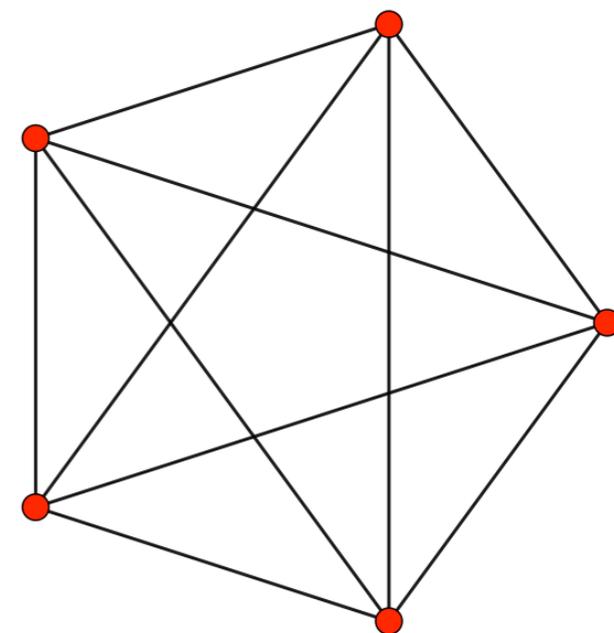
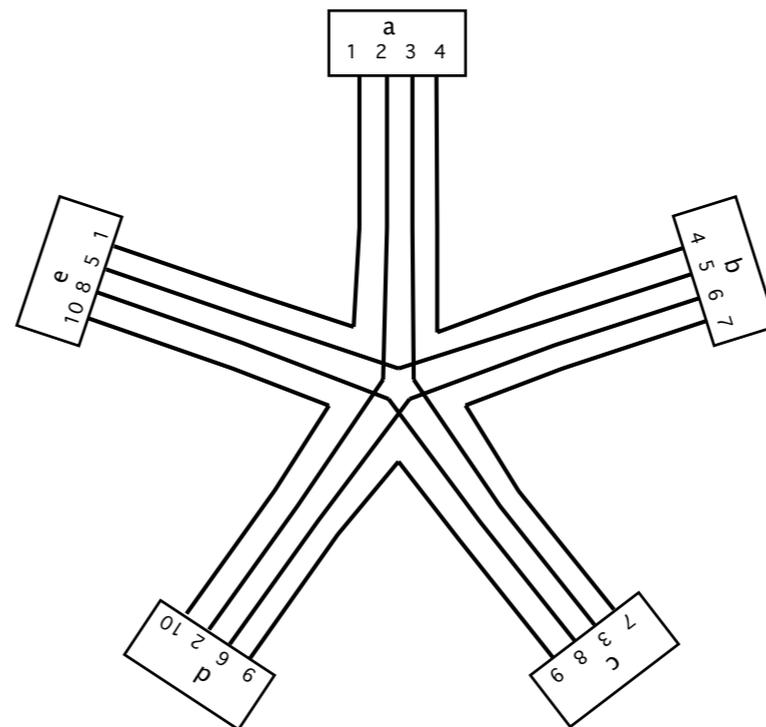
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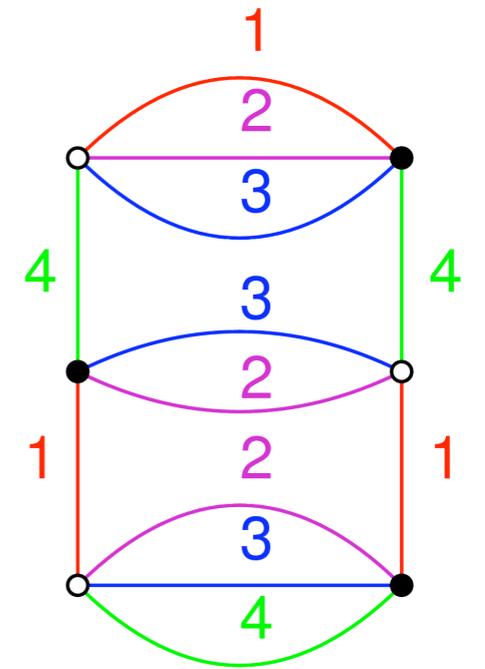
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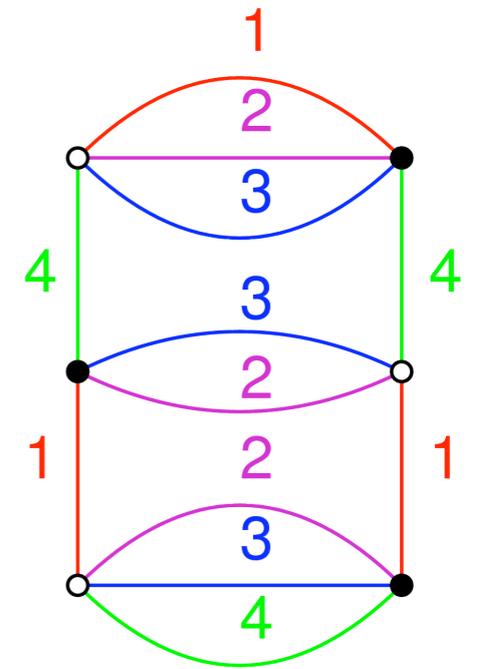
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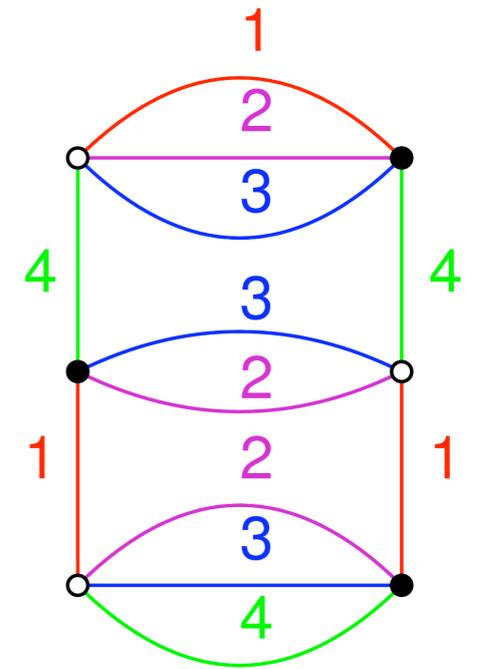
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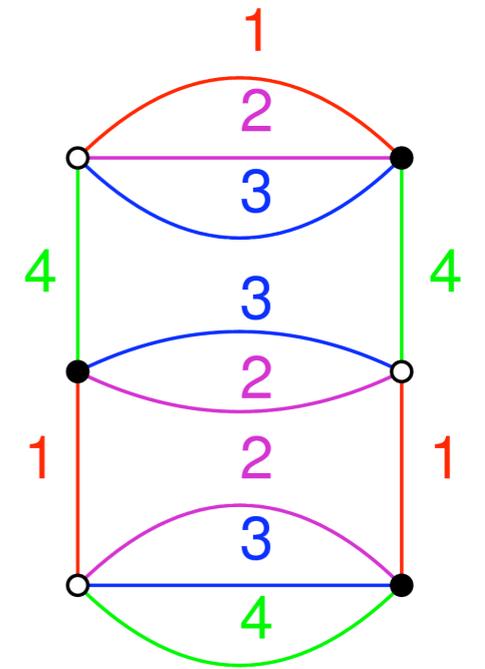
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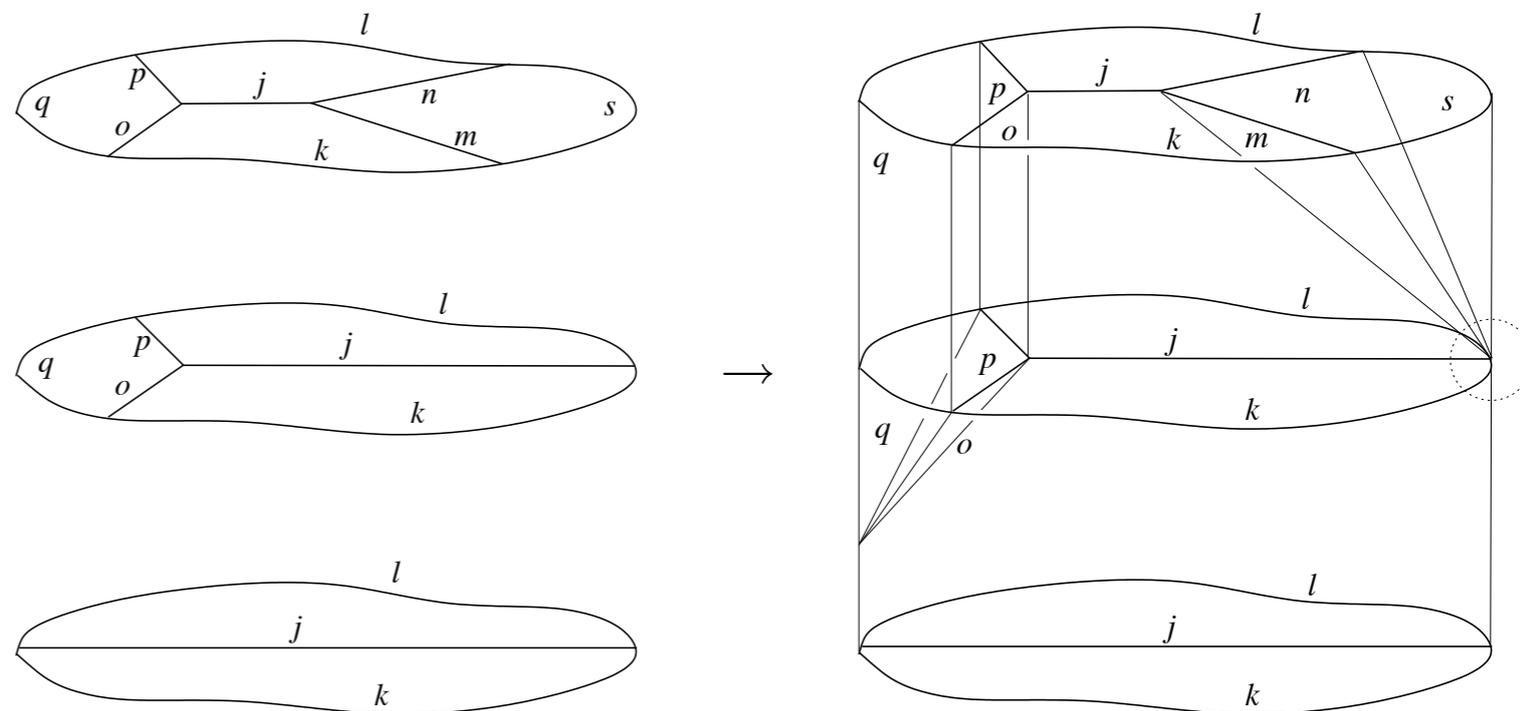
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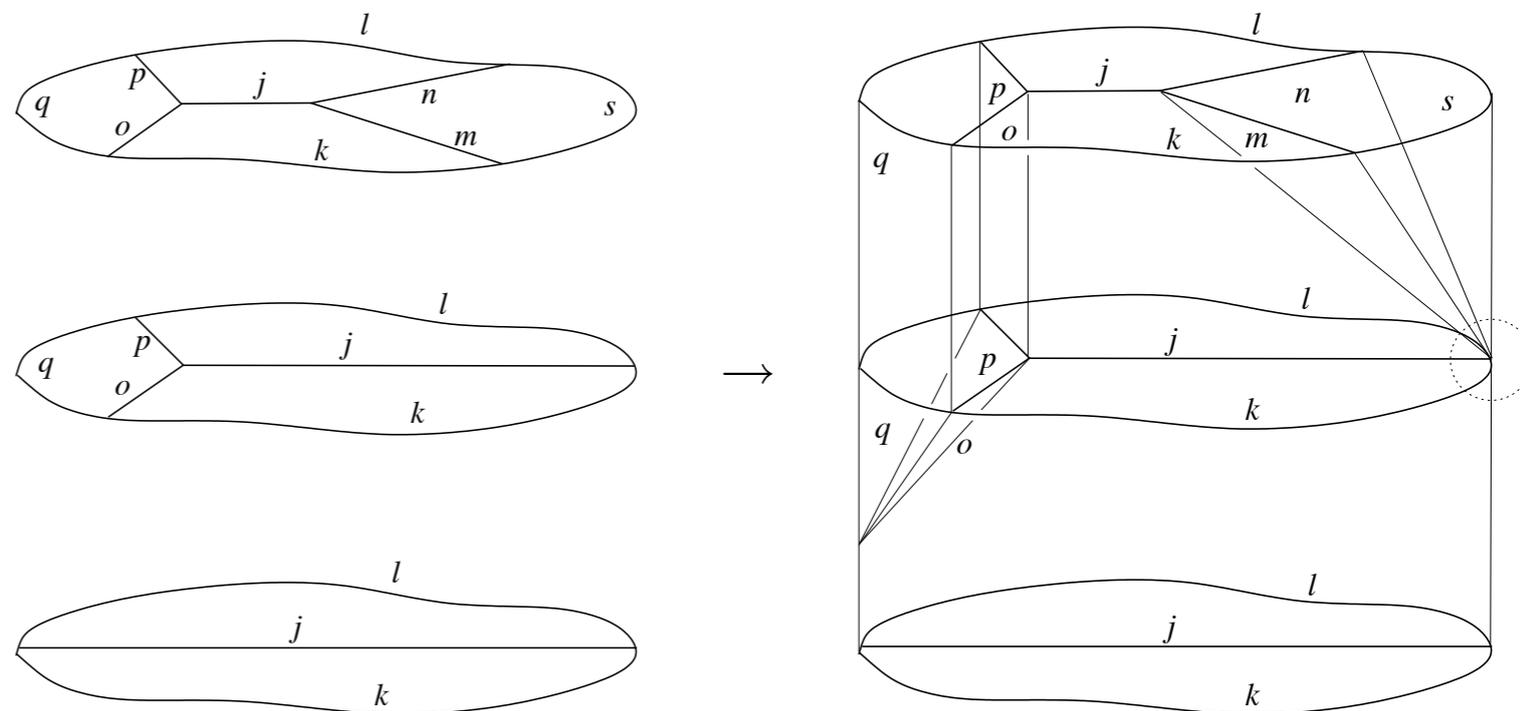
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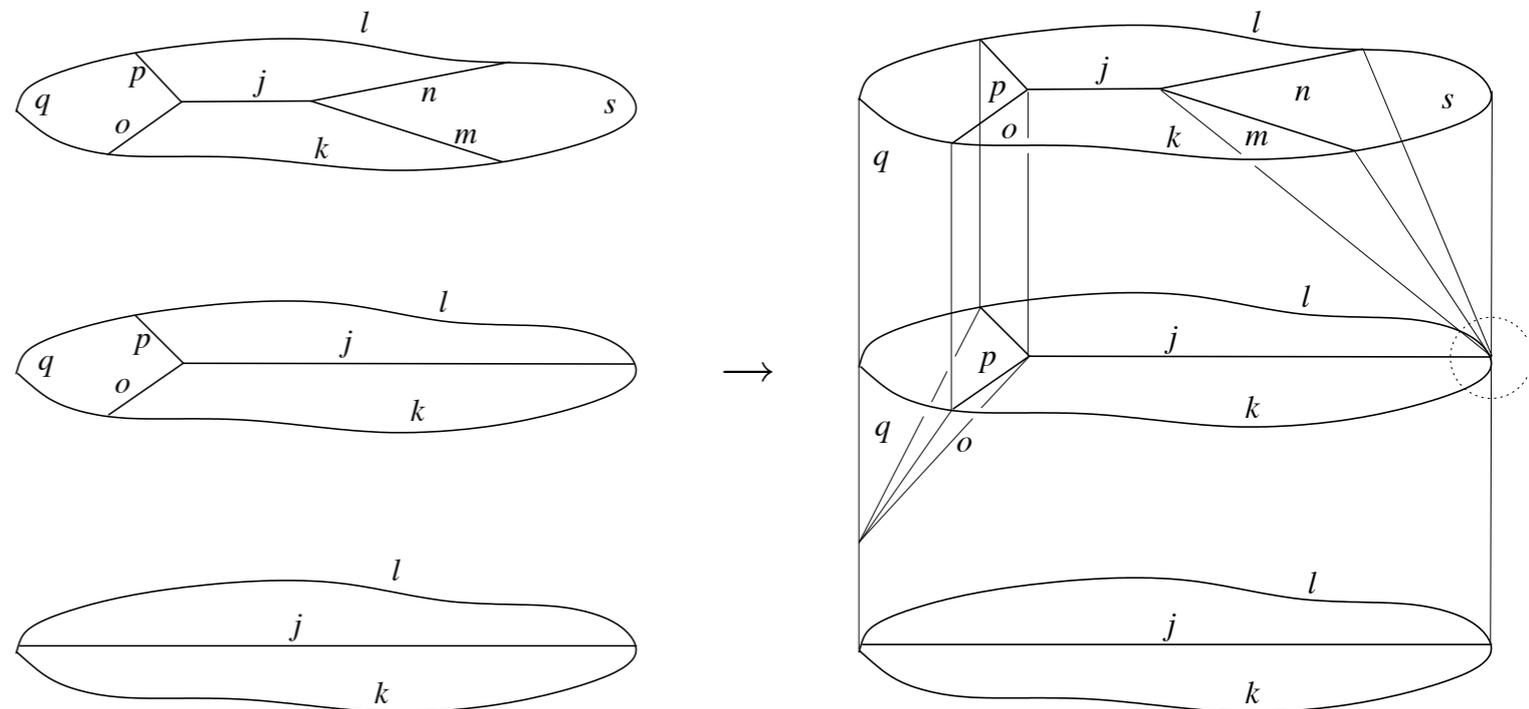
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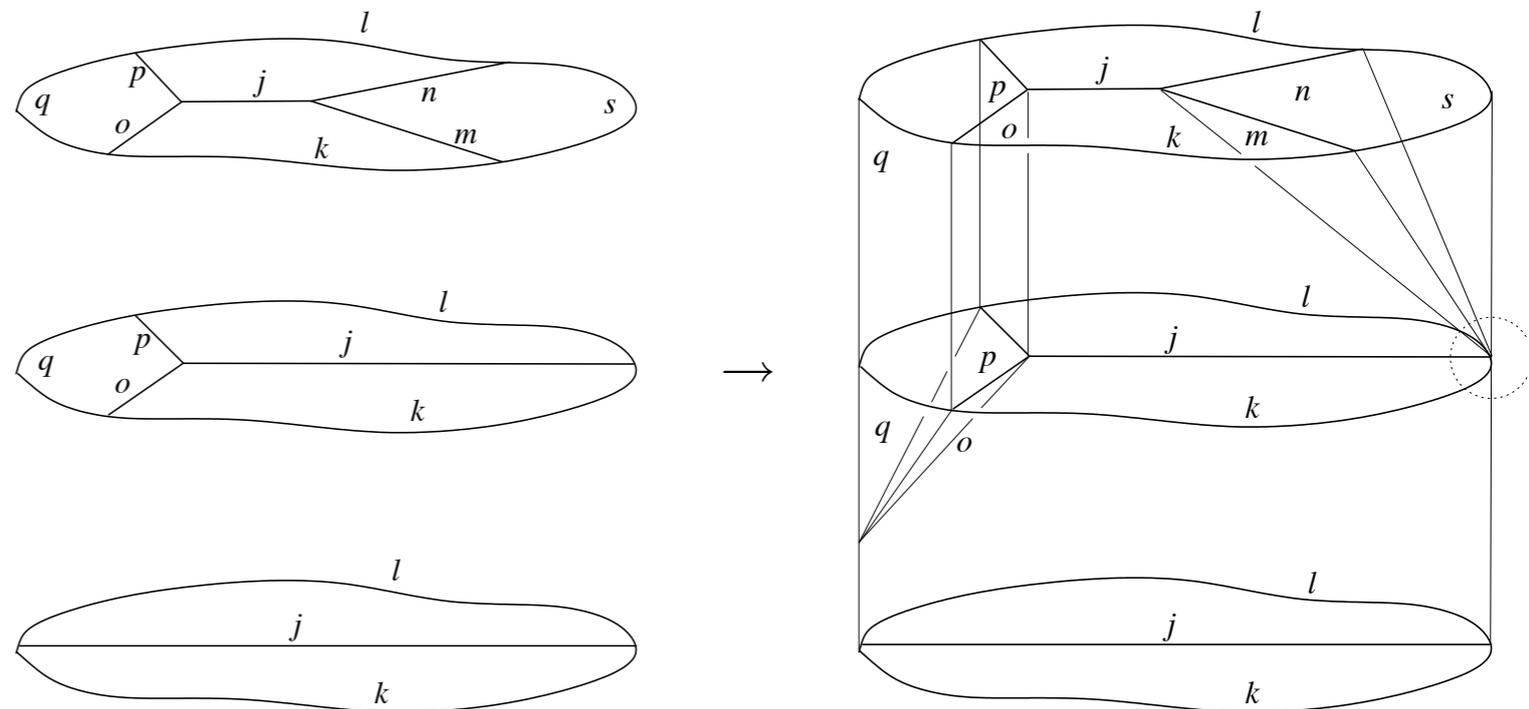
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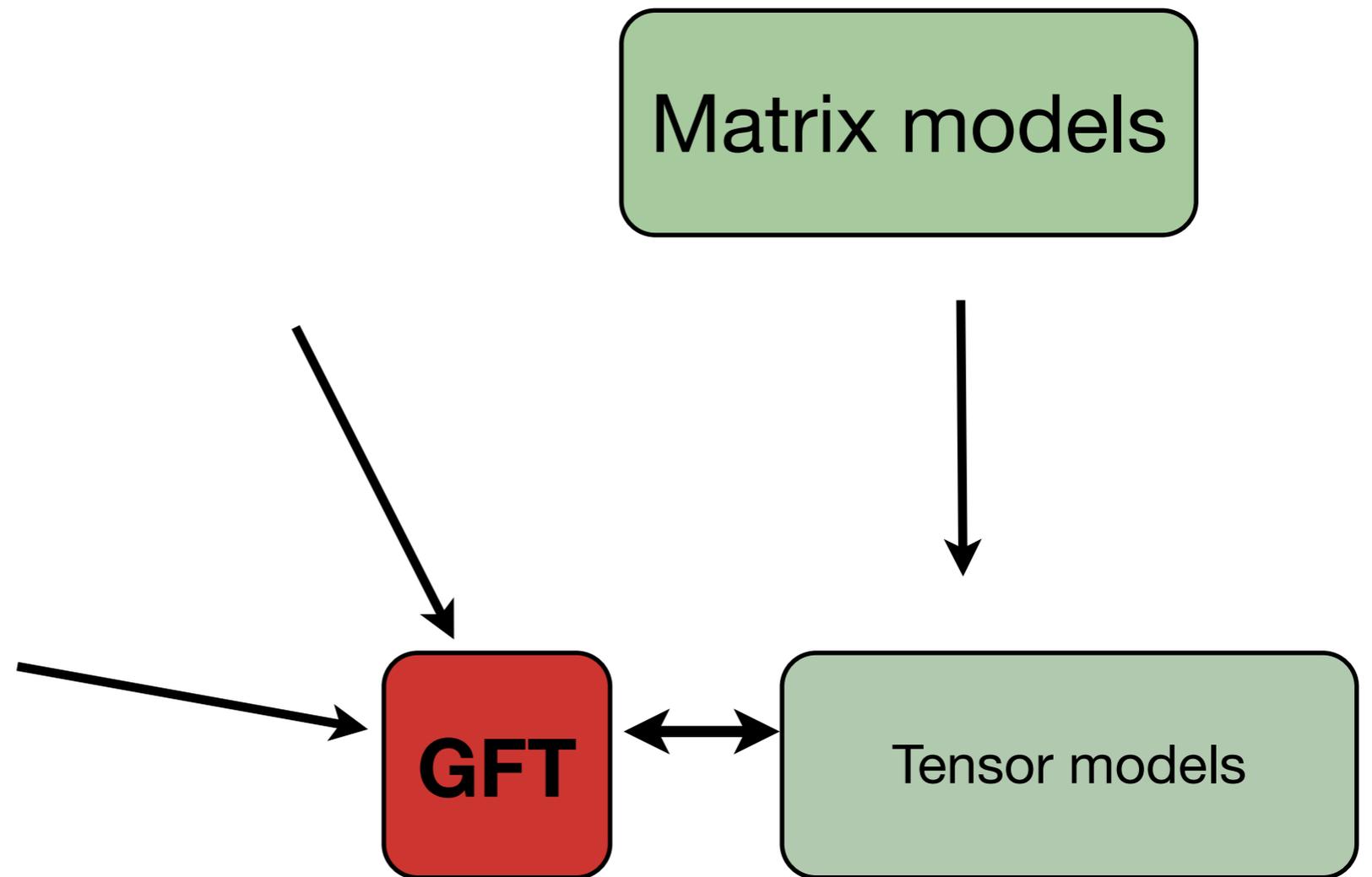
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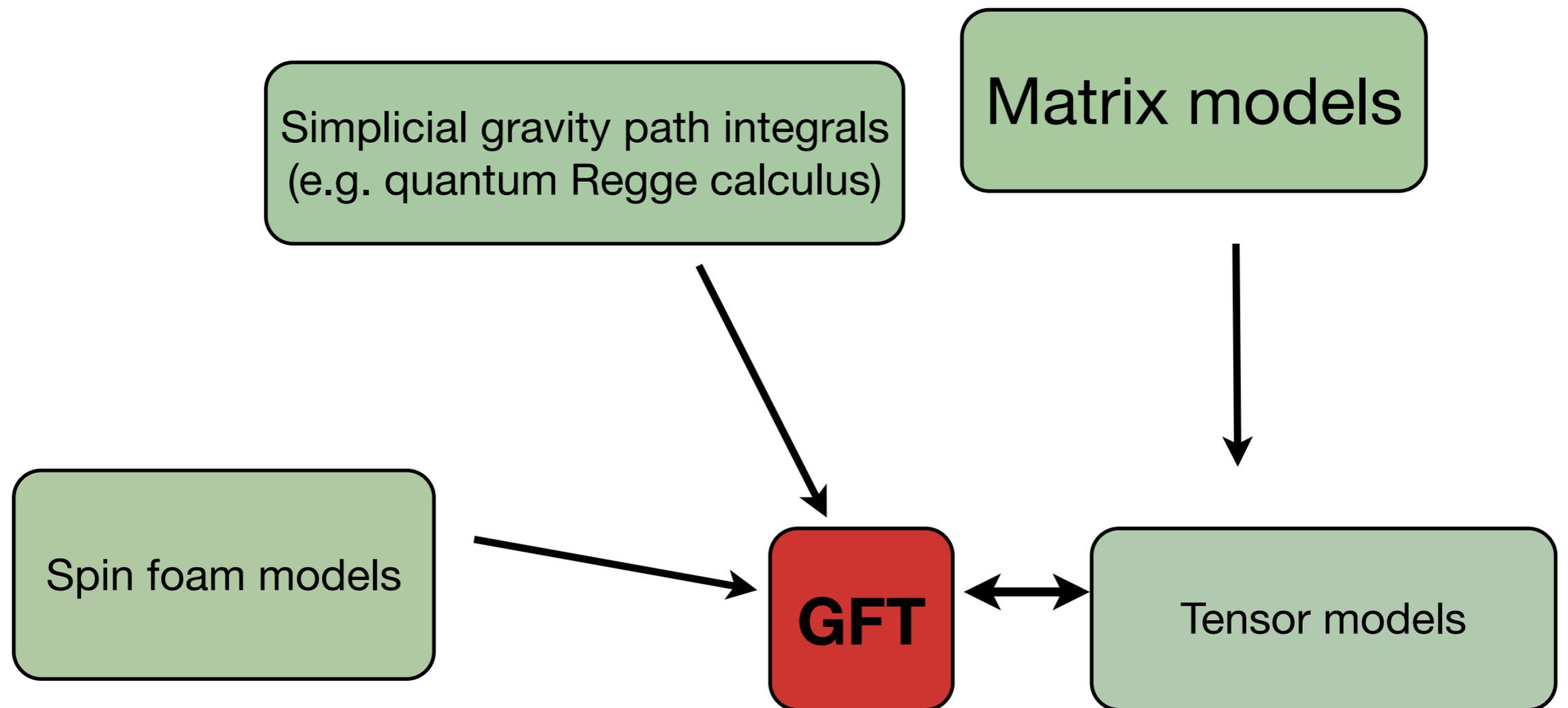


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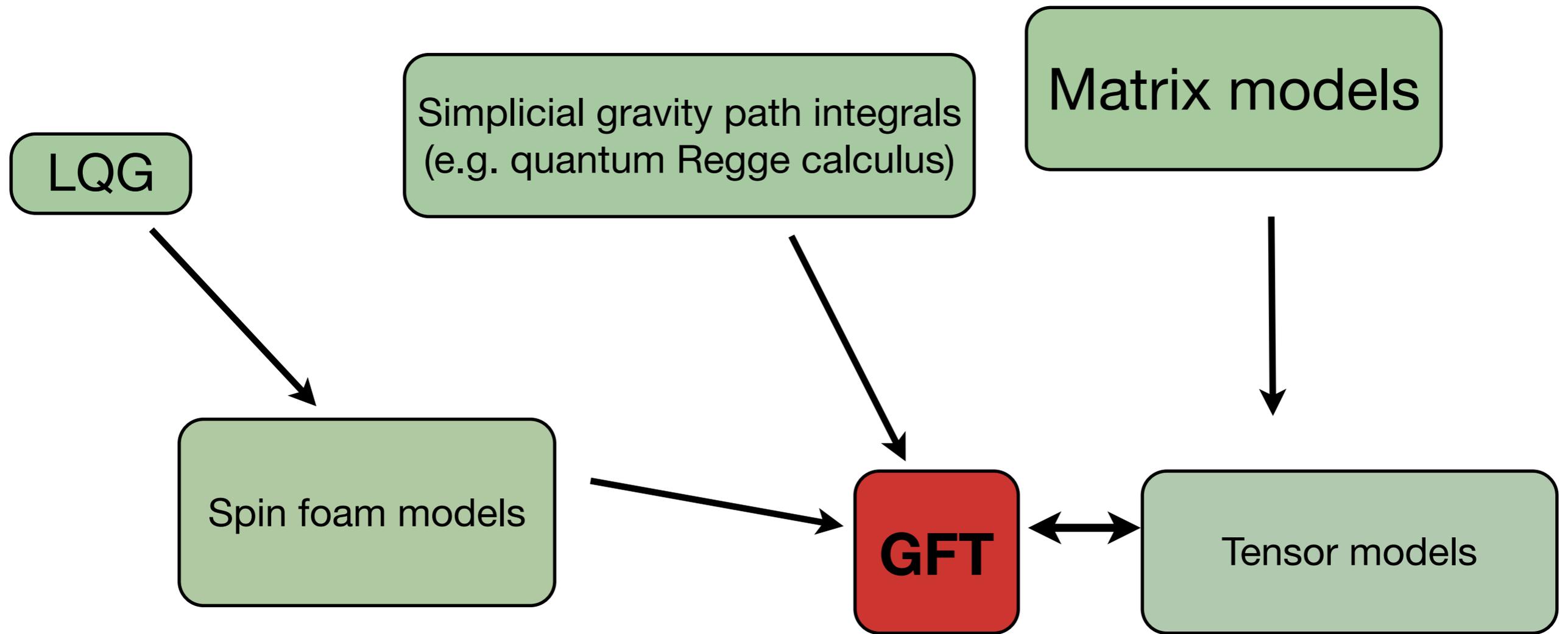
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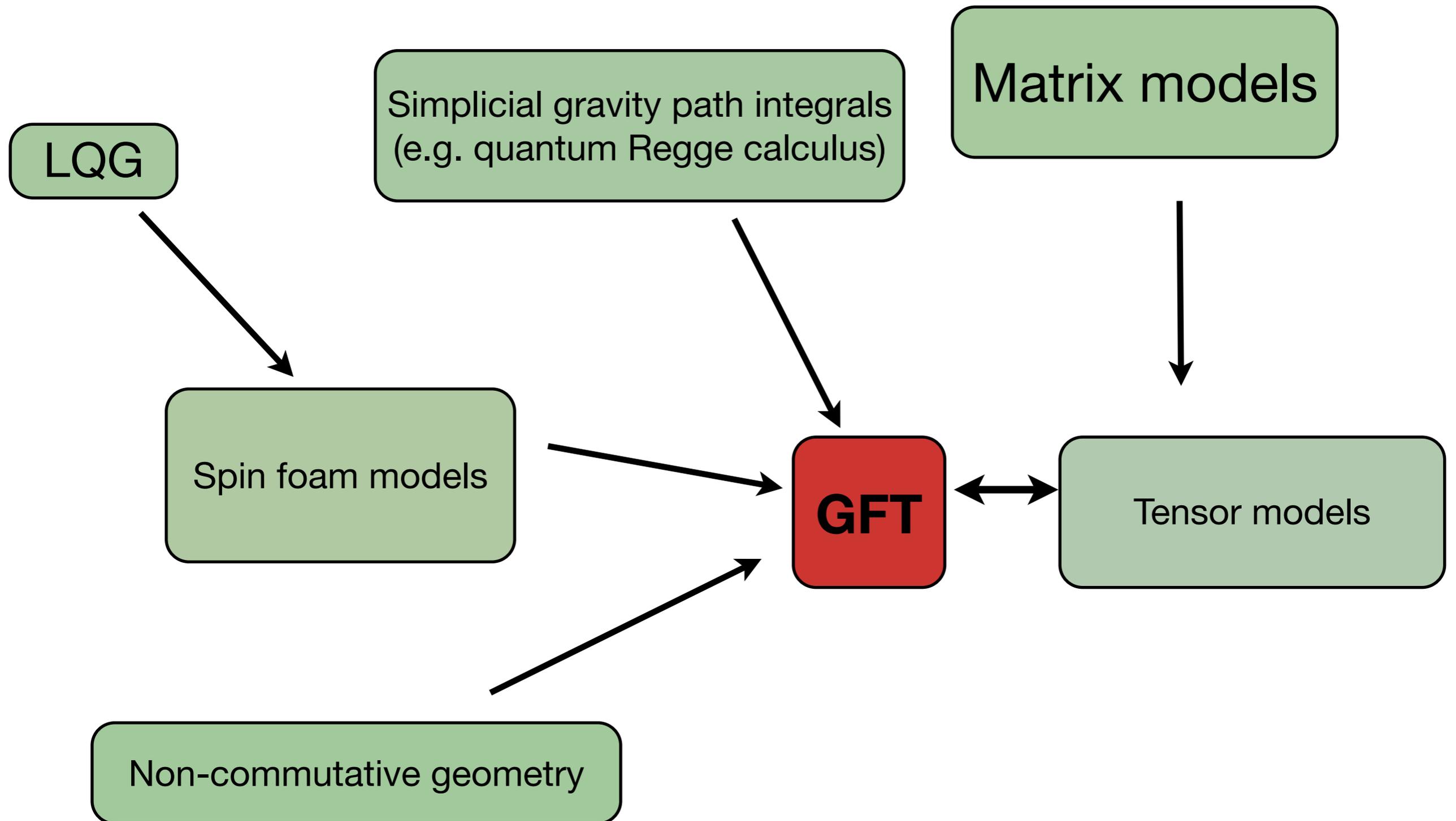
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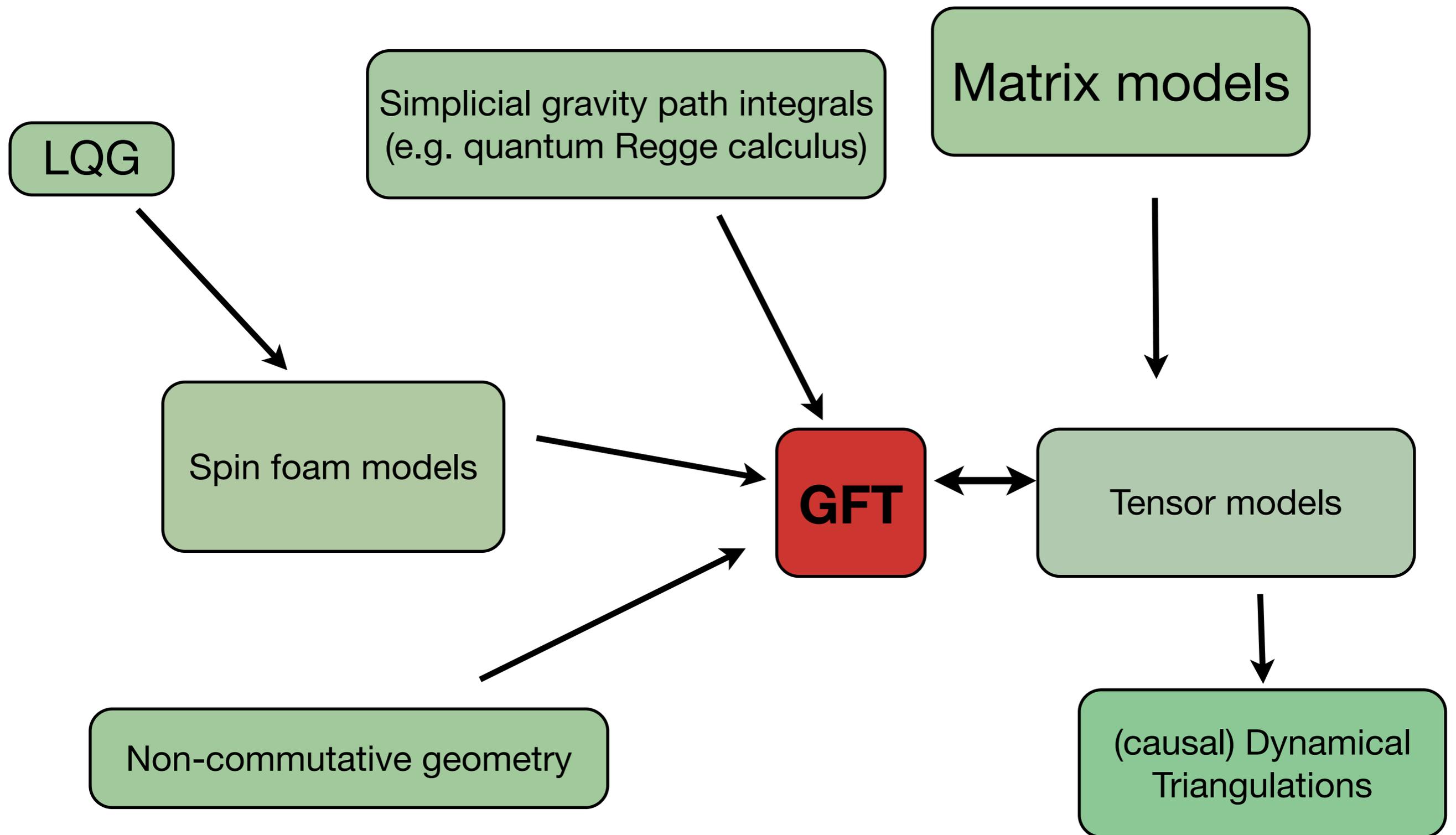
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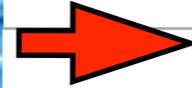
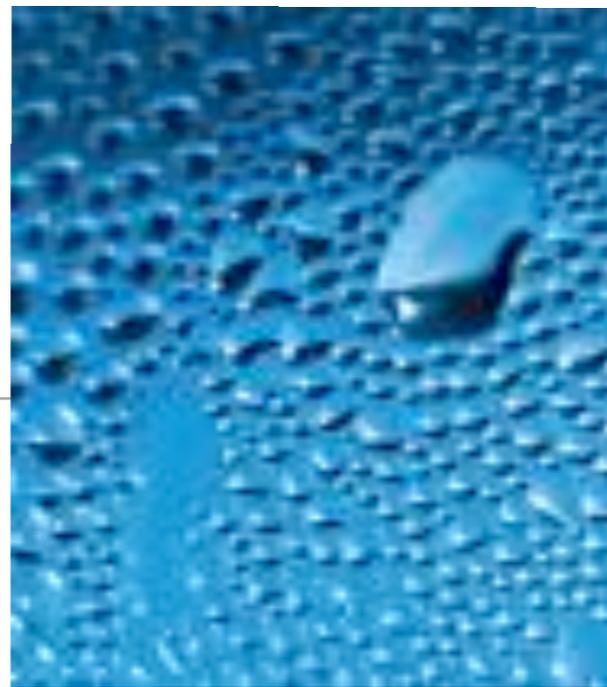
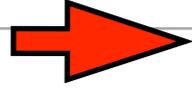
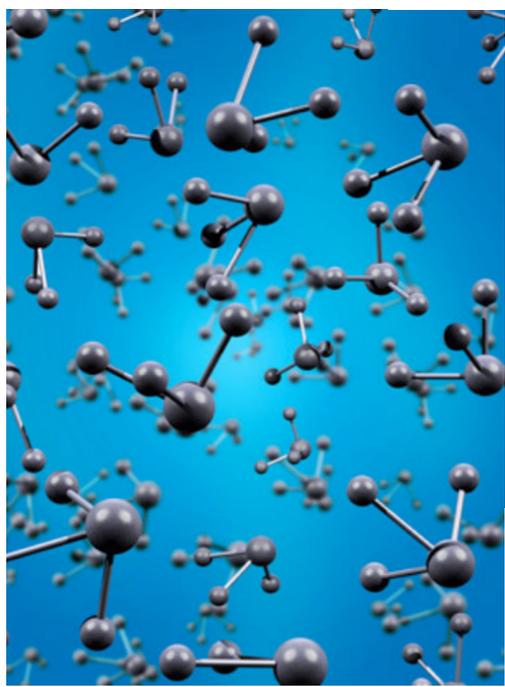
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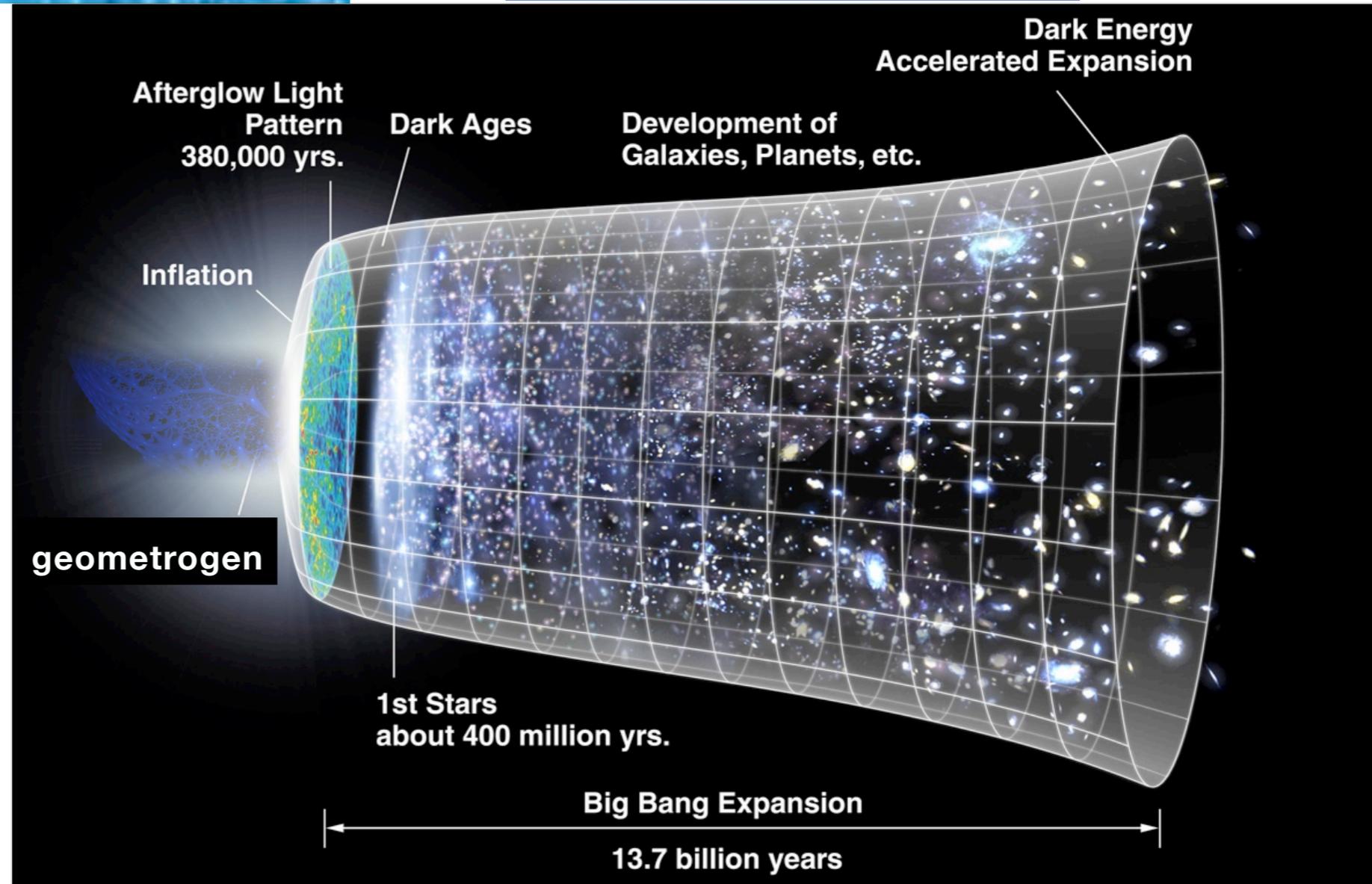
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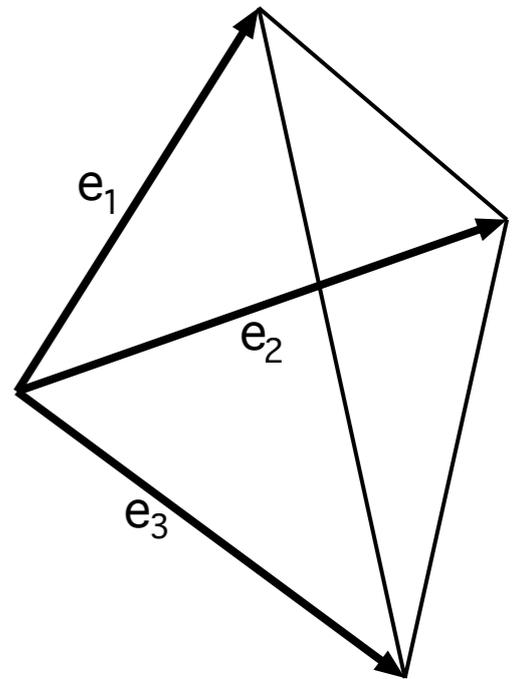


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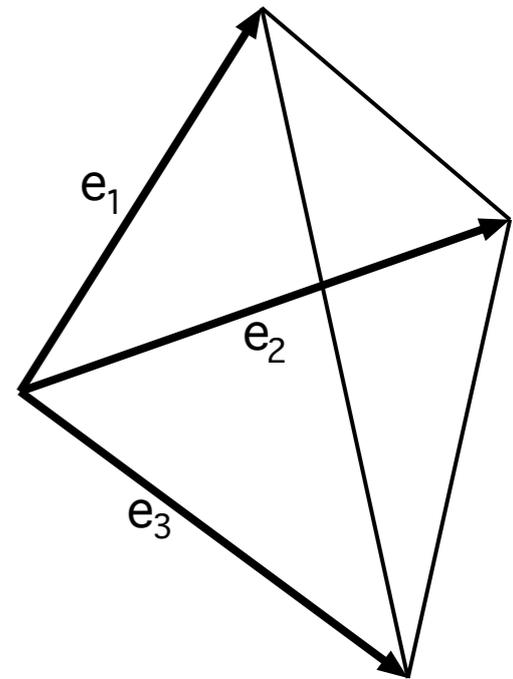


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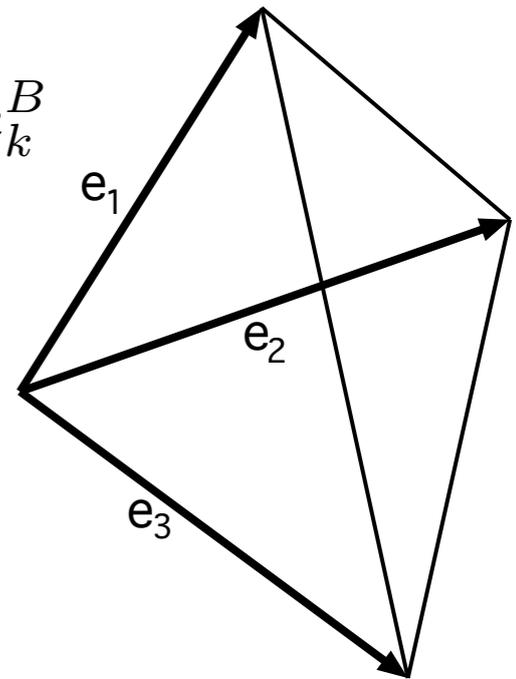
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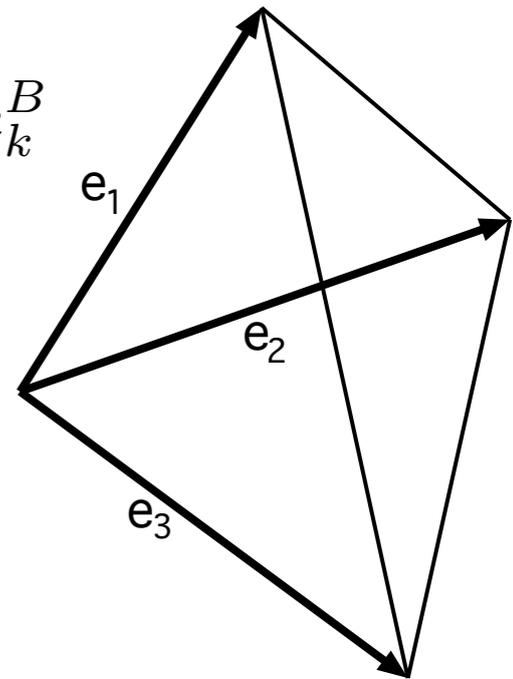
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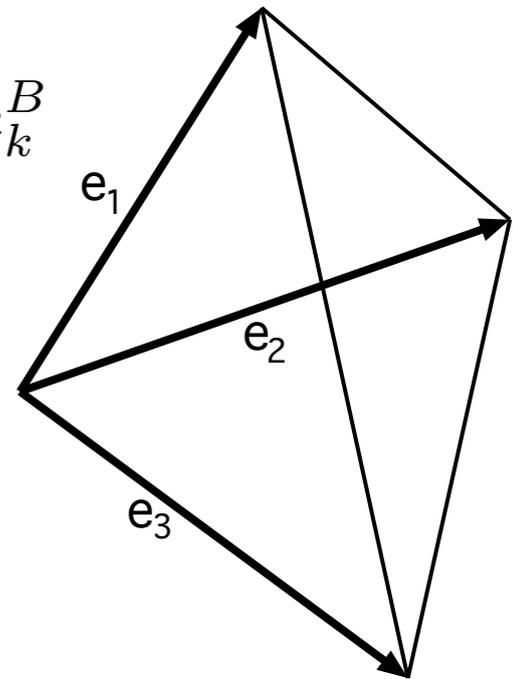
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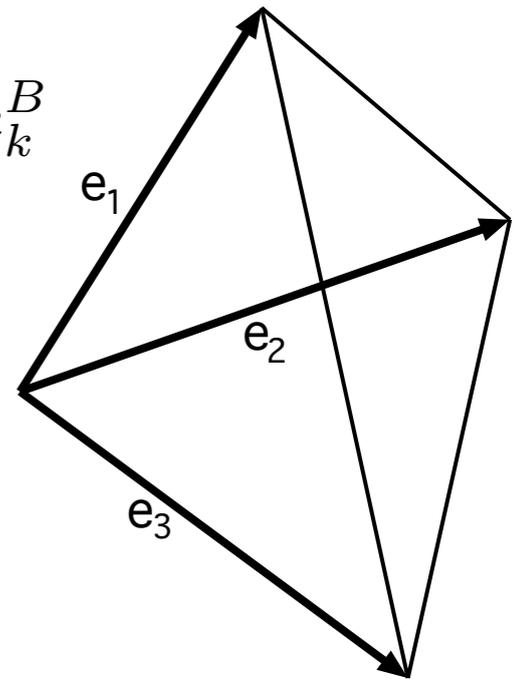
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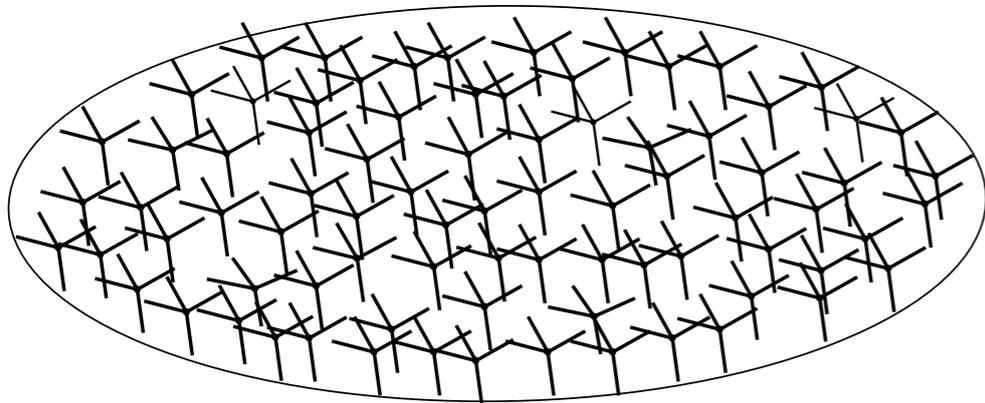
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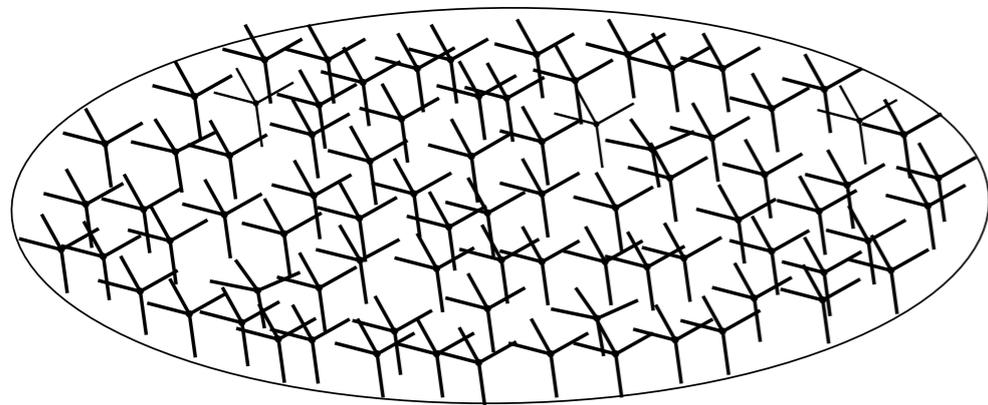
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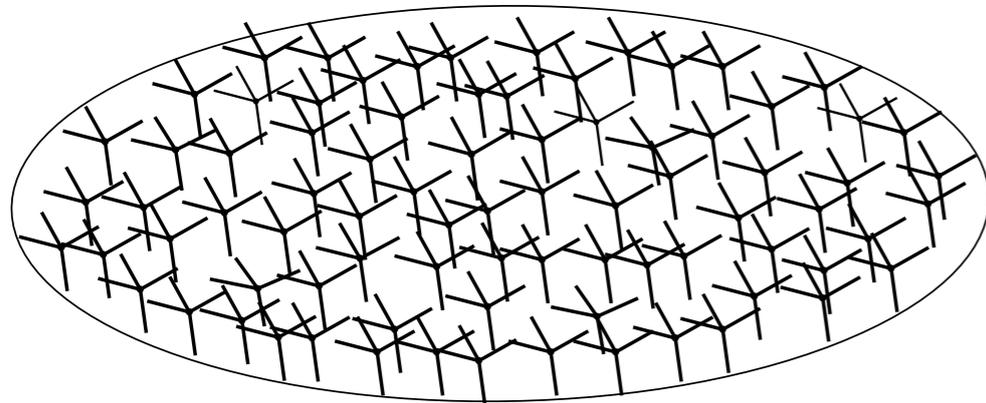
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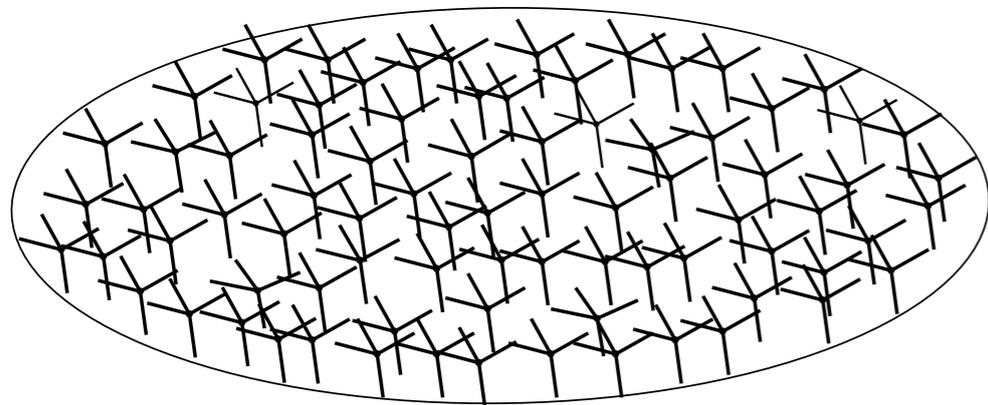
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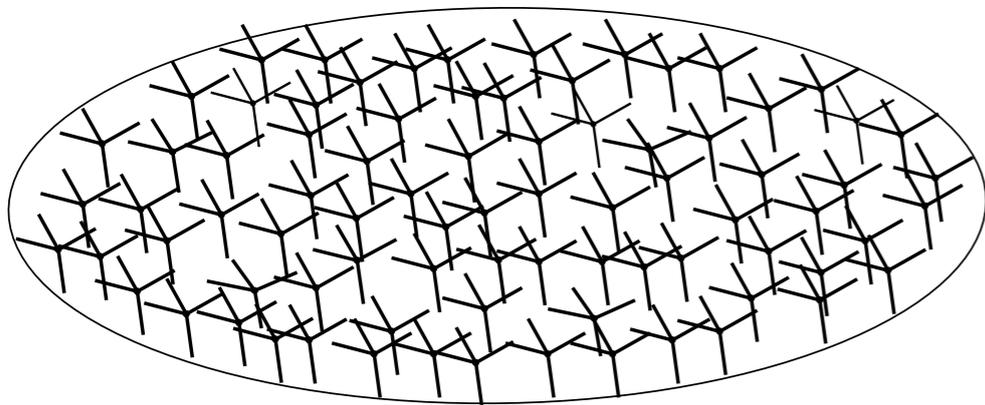
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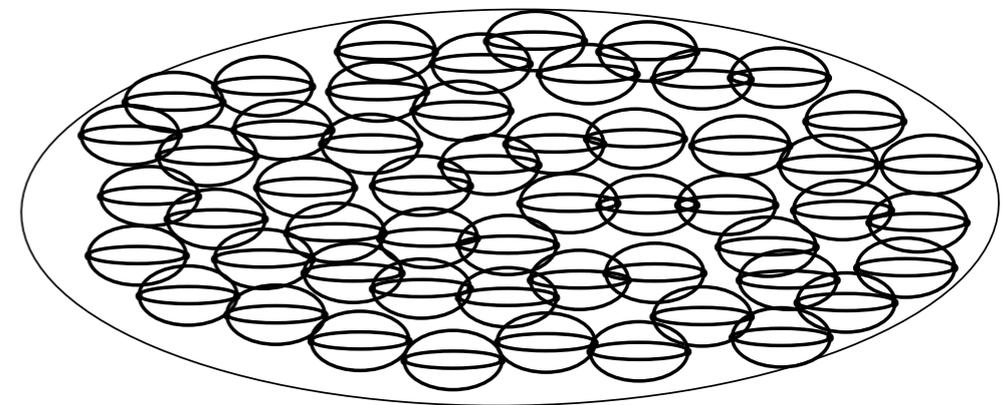
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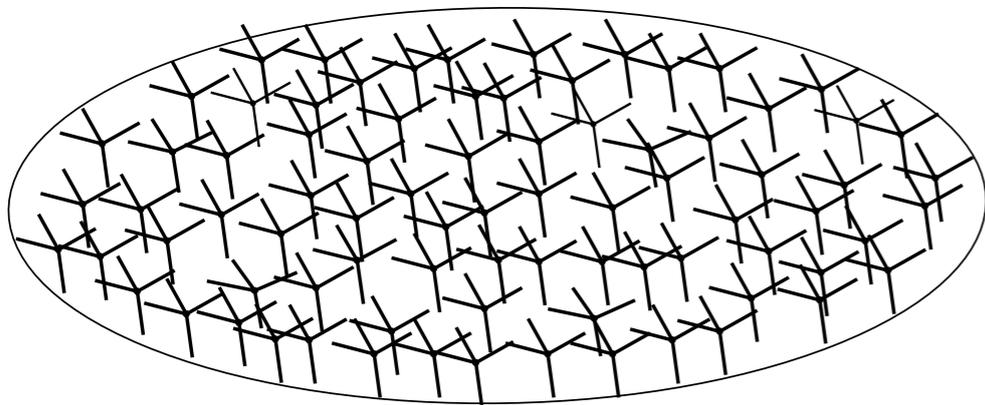
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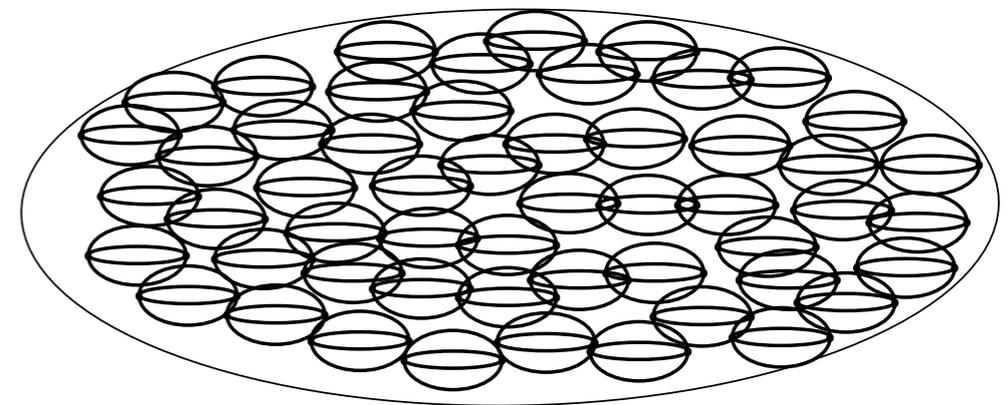
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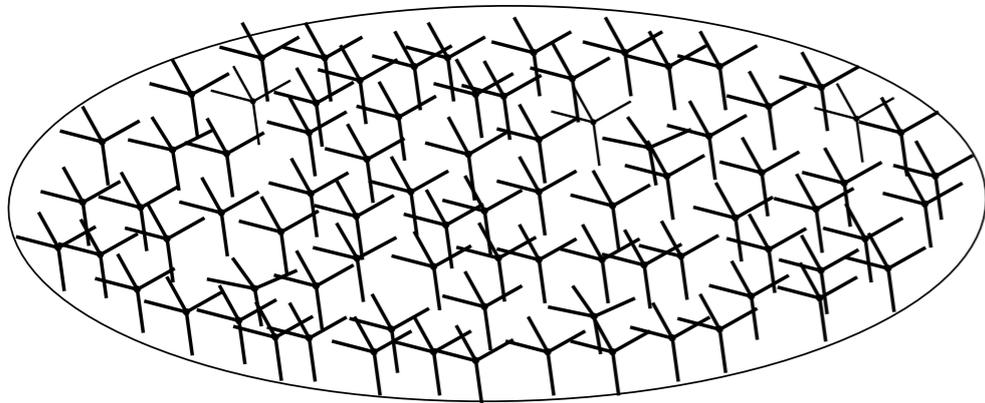
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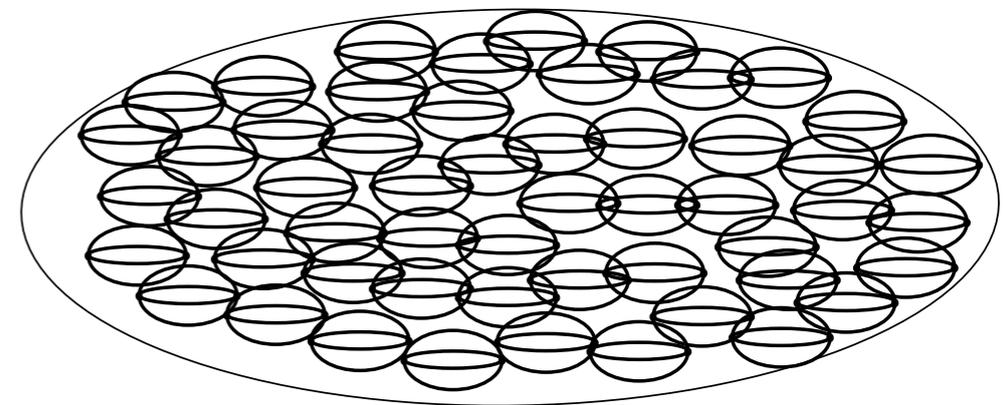
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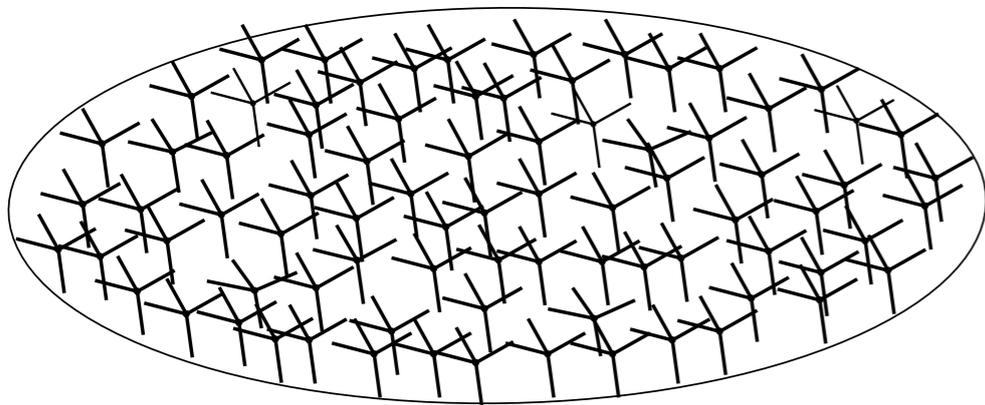
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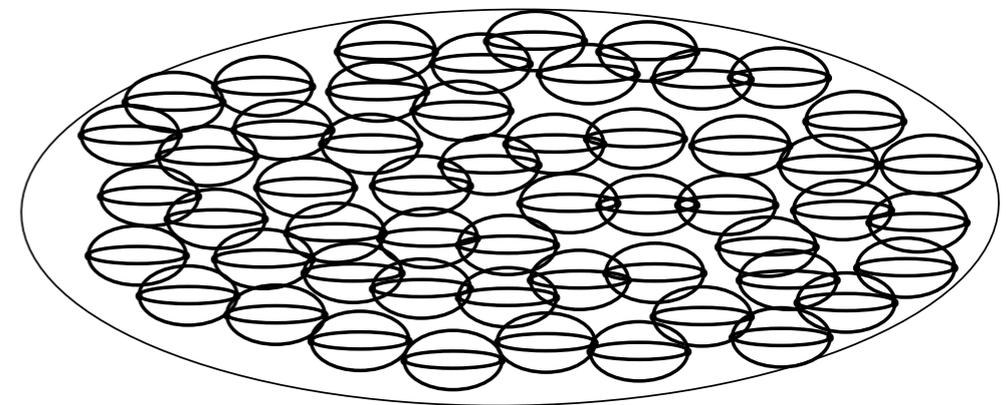
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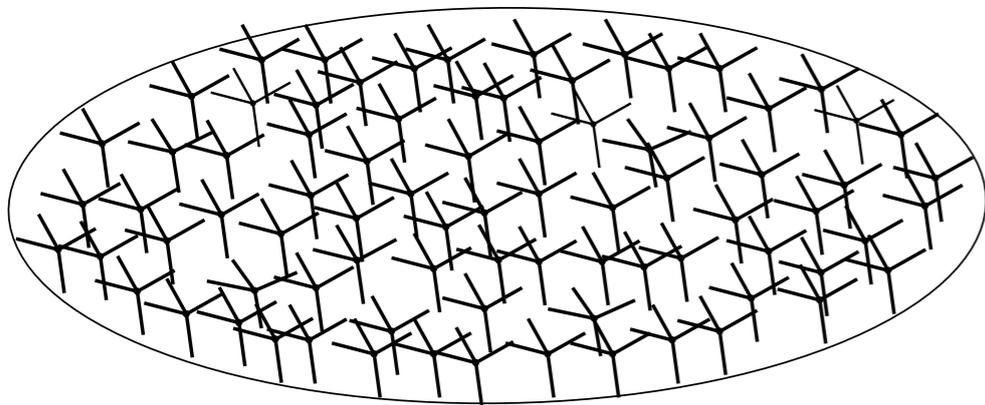
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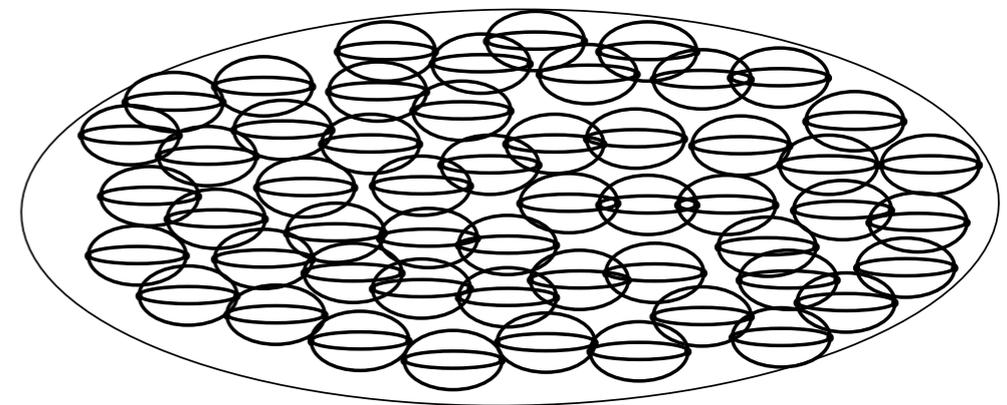
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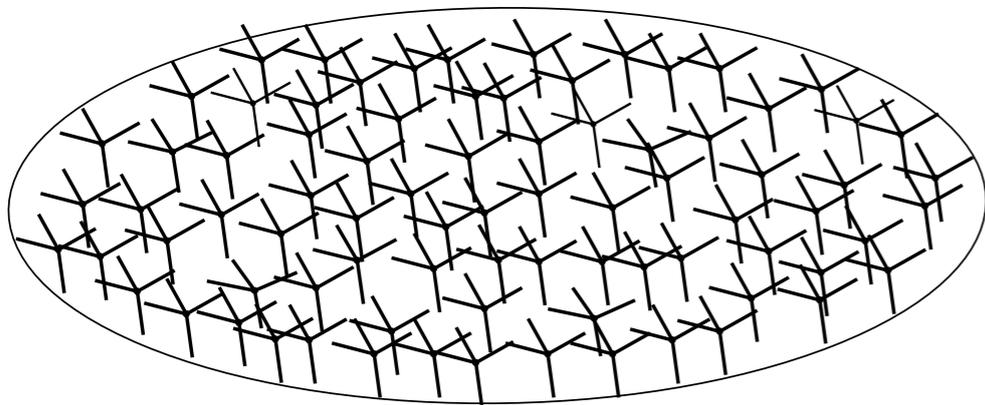
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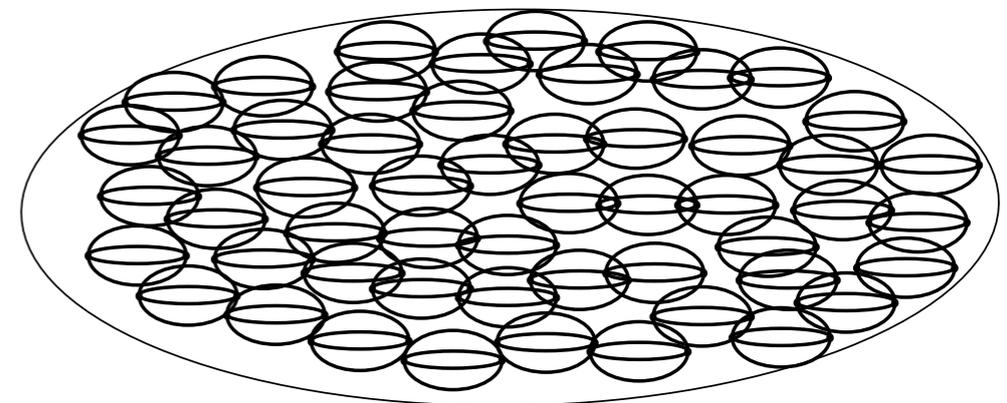
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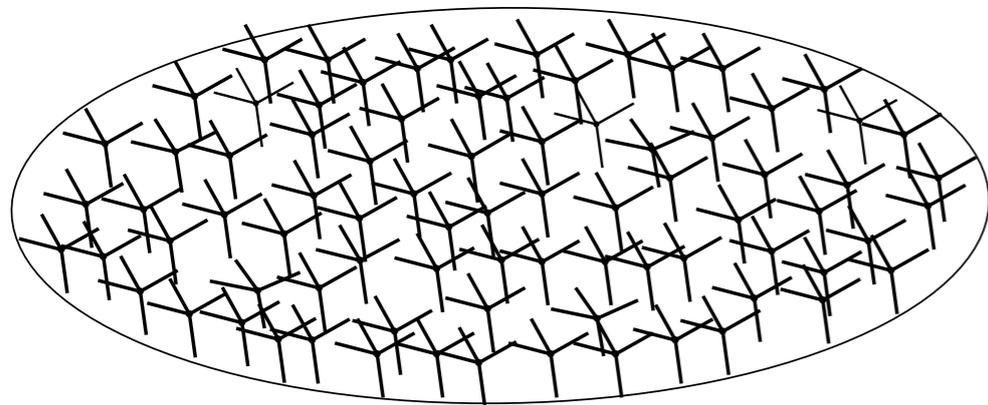
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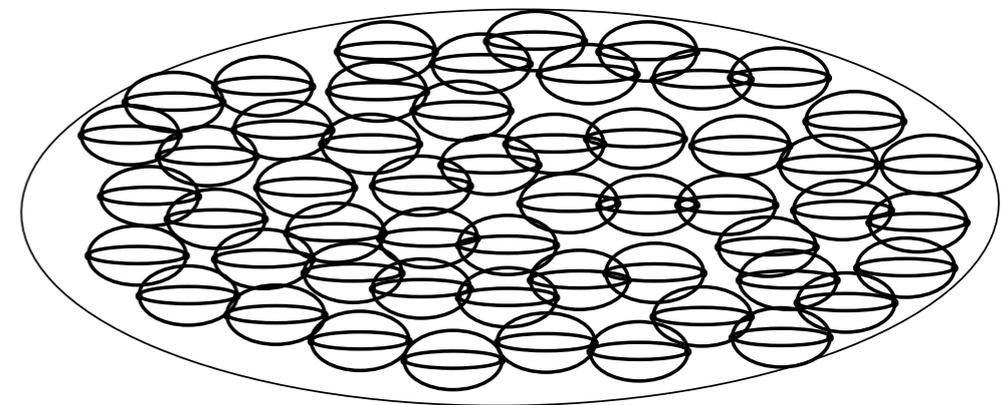
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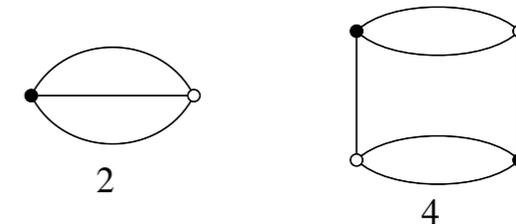
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Boulatov-like for 3d quantum gravity

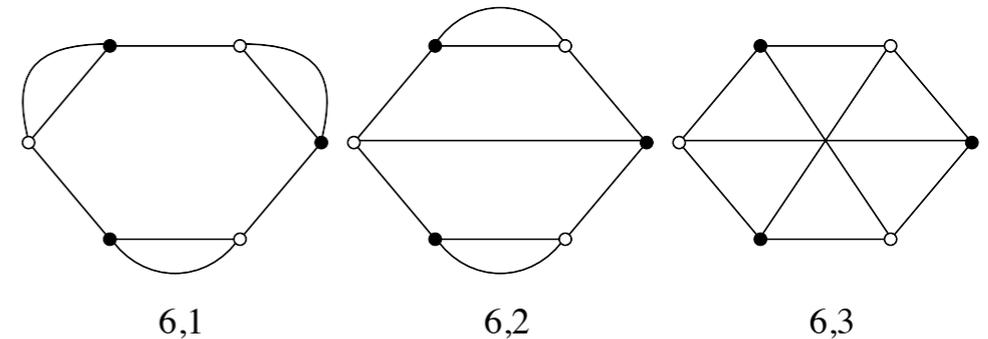
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