

# Equivariant cohomology of representation spheres and $\text{Pic}(\mathbf{S}_G)$ -graded homotopy groups

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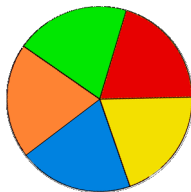
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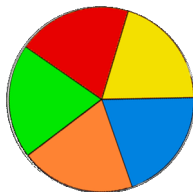
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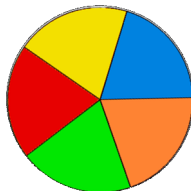
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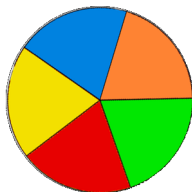
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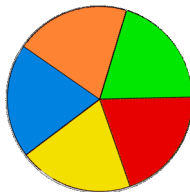
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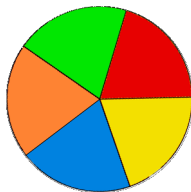
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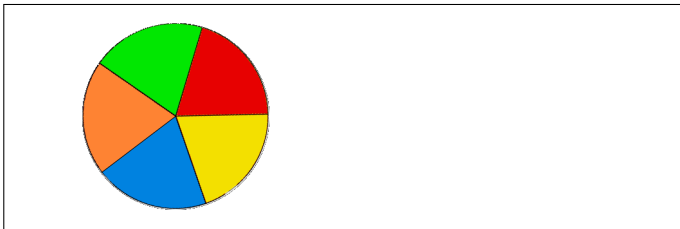


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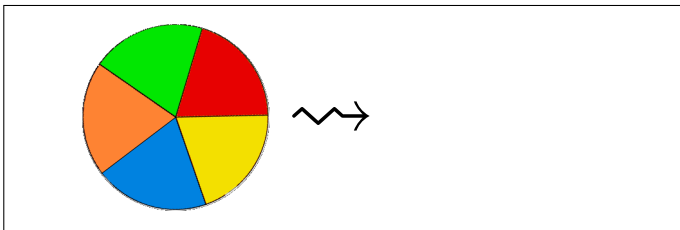
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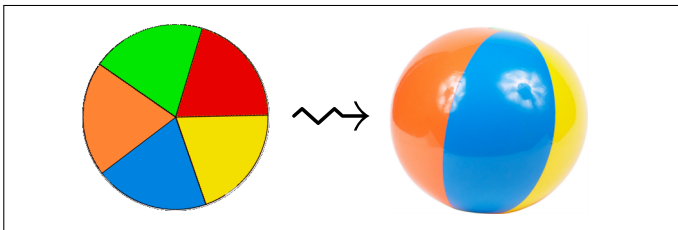
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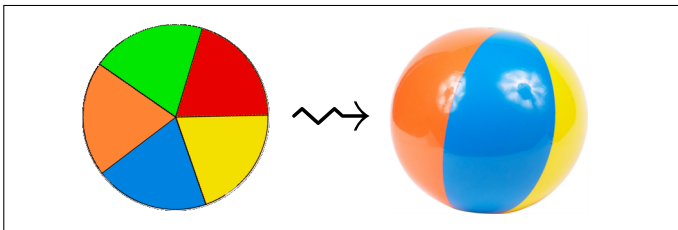
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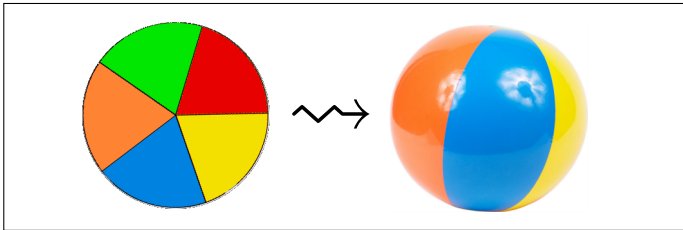
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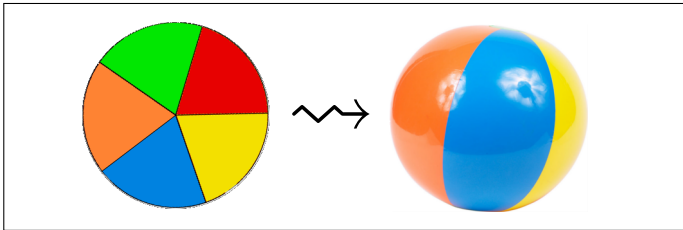
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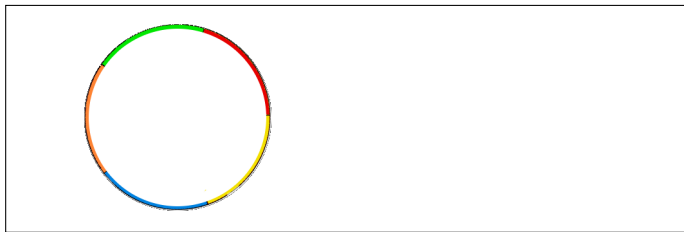
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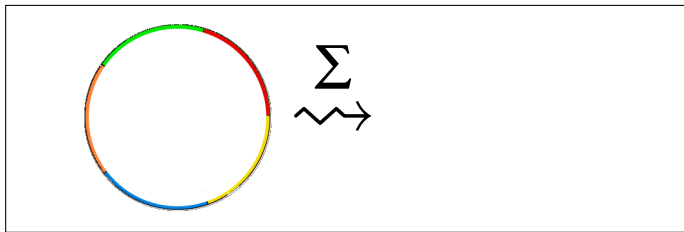
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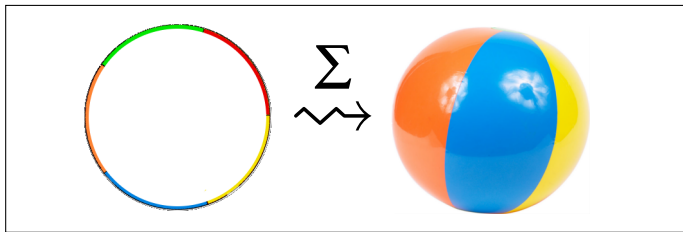


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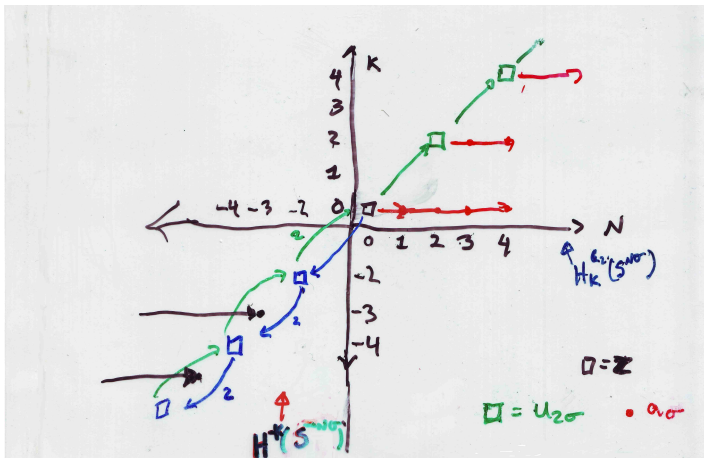
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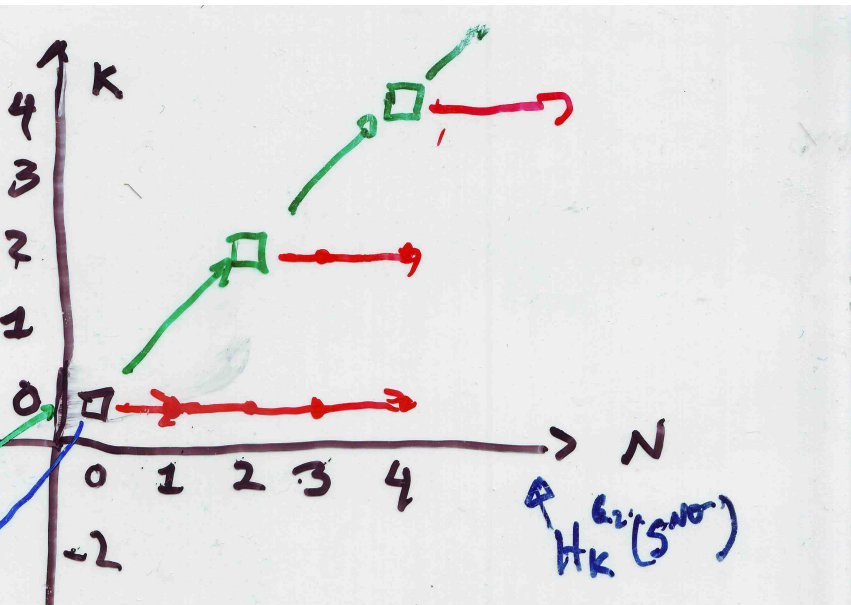
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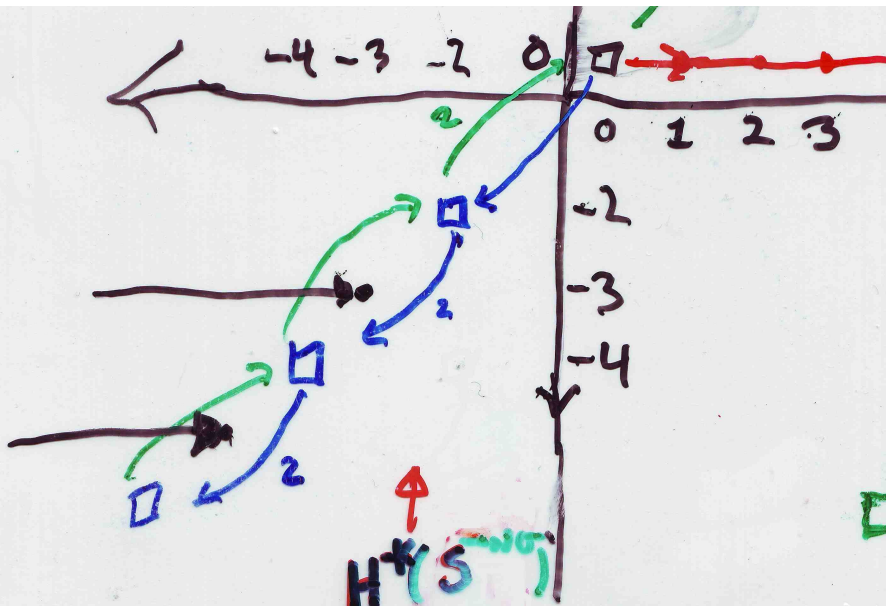
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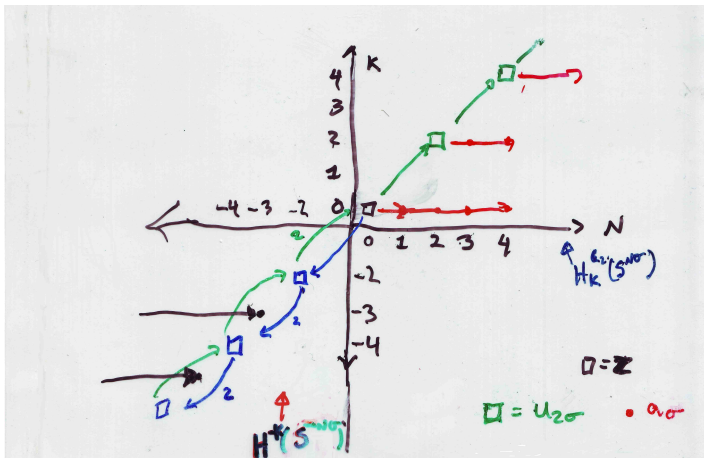
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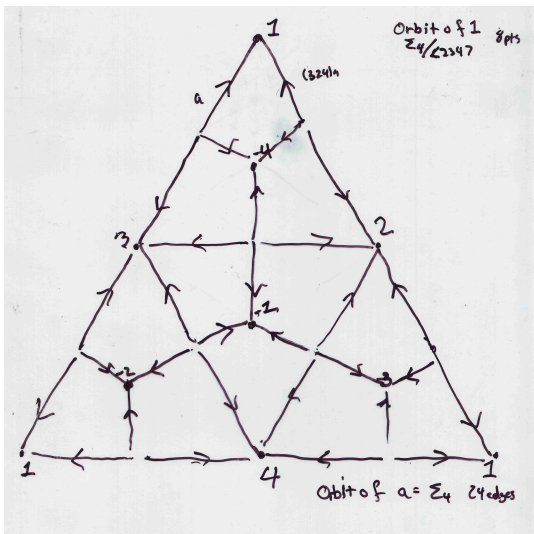
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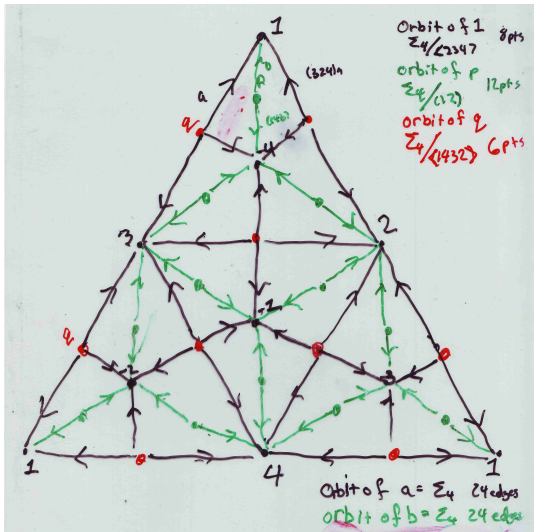
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