

# Topology & Geometry of Integrable Systems

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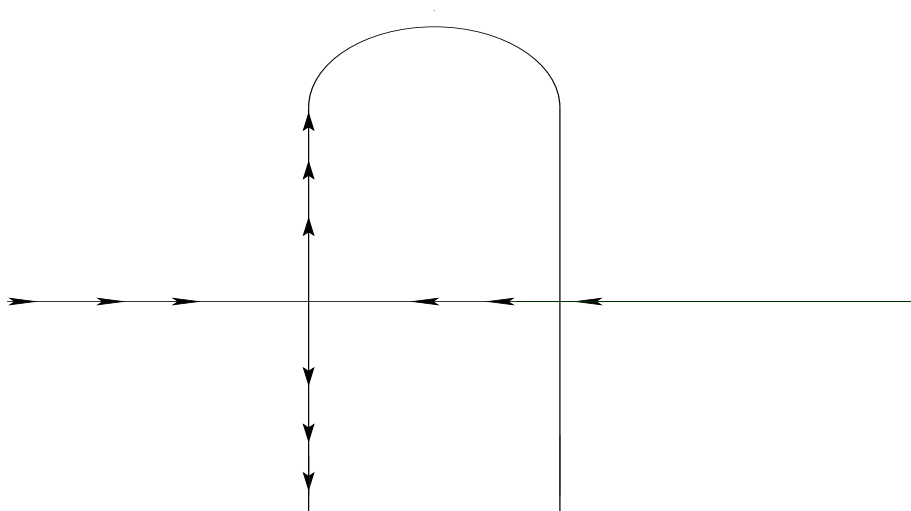
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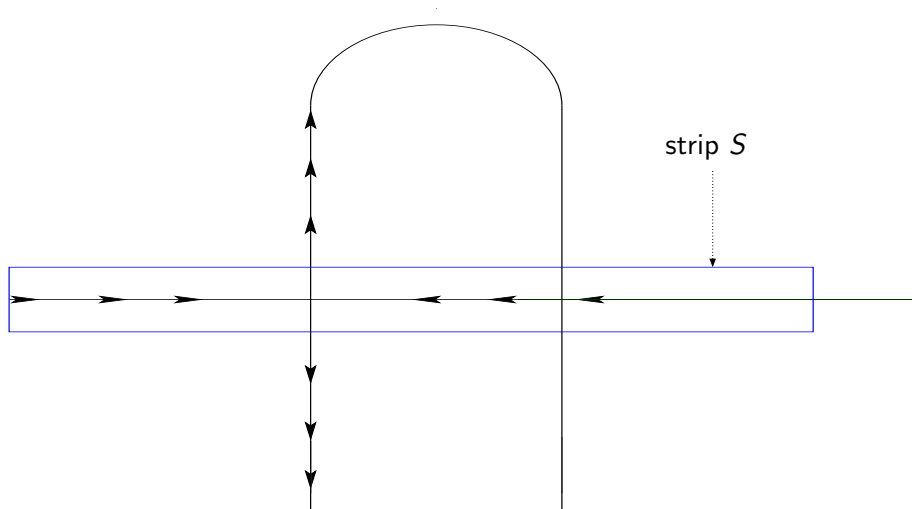
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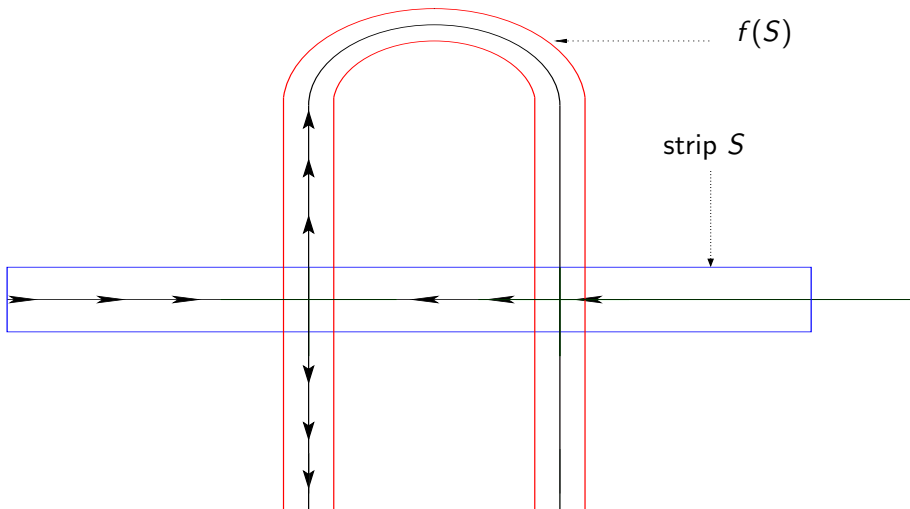




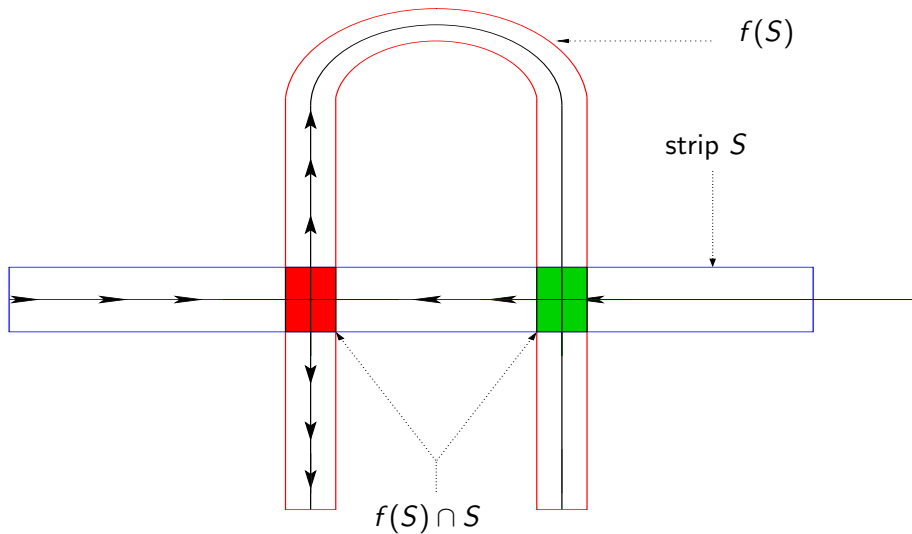
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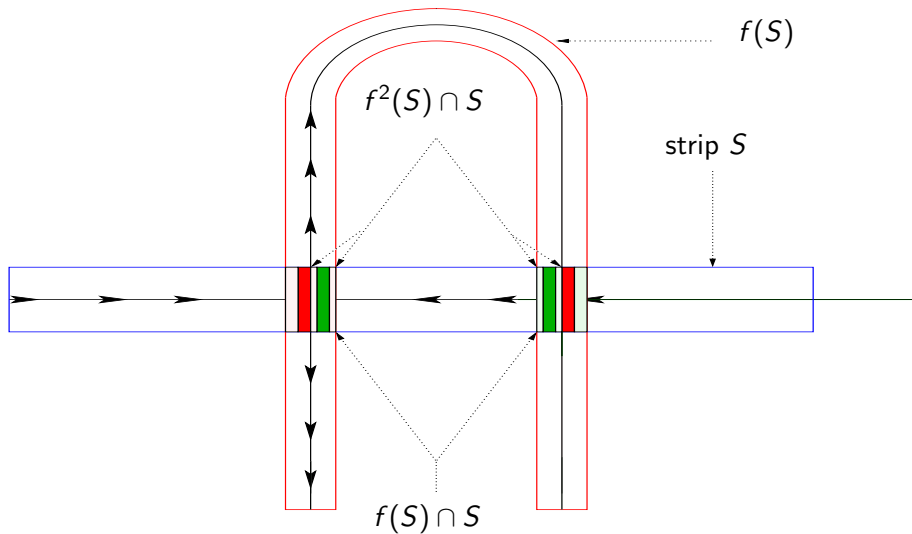
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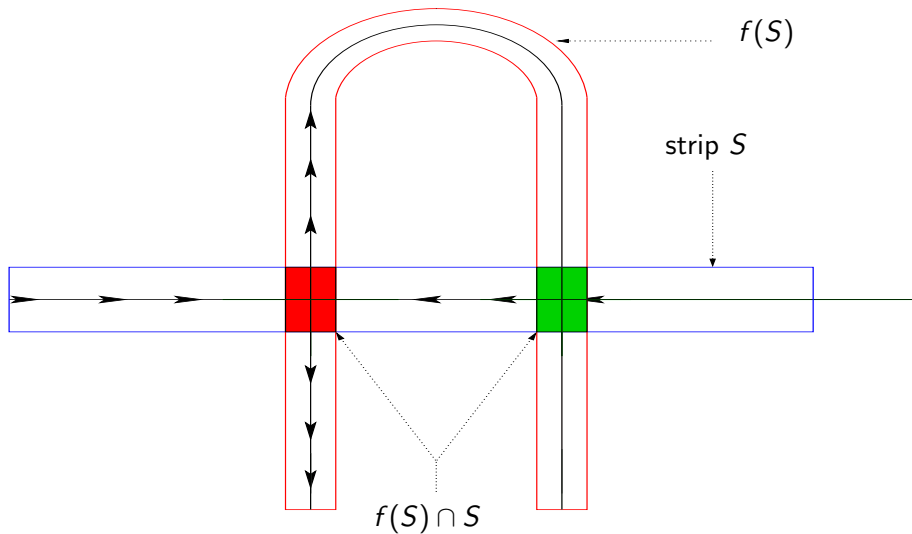
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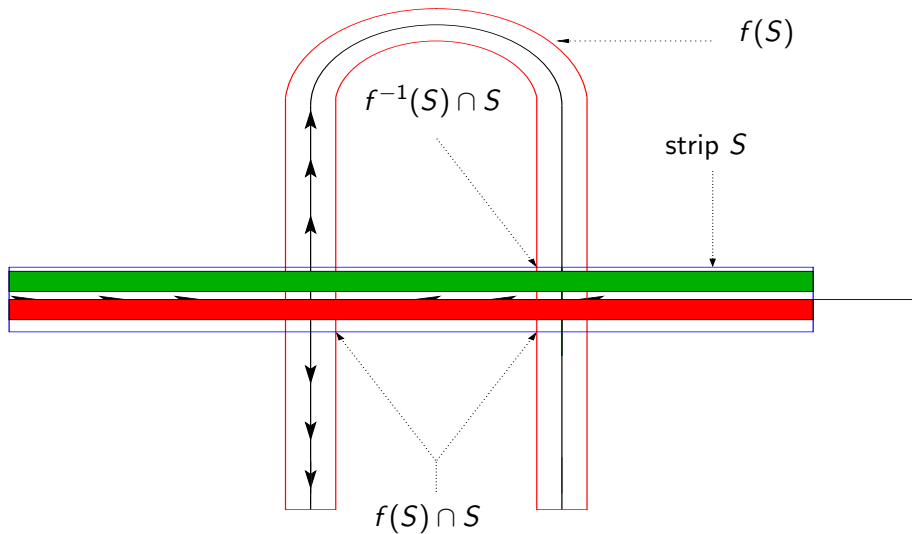
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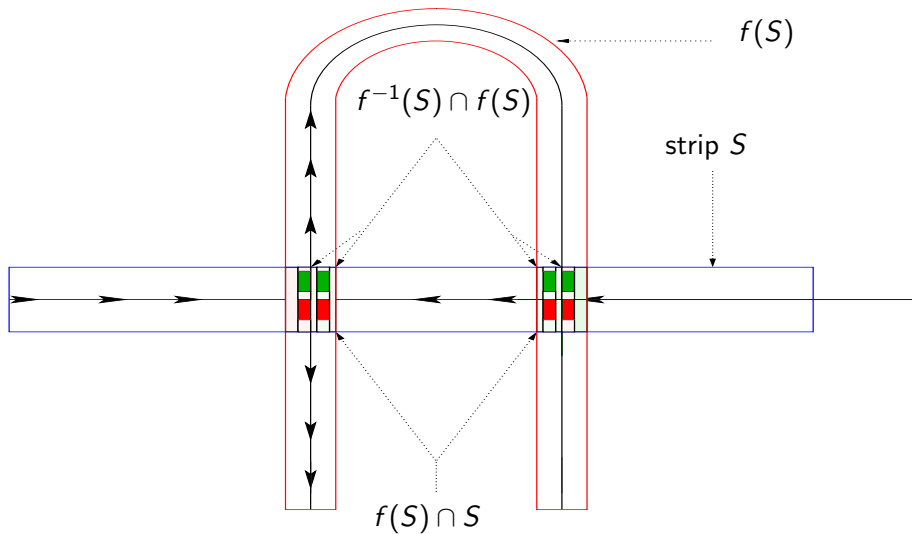
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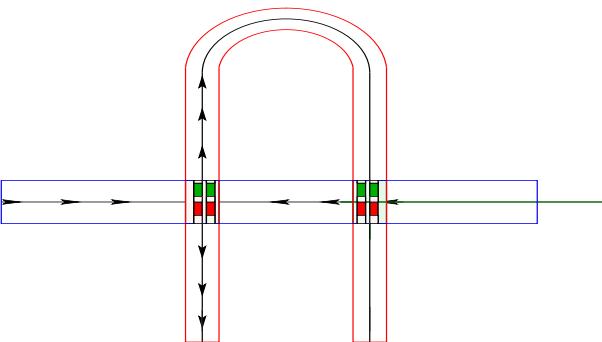
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Implications:

- 1 Invariant Cantor set  $\Lambda$
- 2 Invariant analytic function is constant on  $\Lambda$
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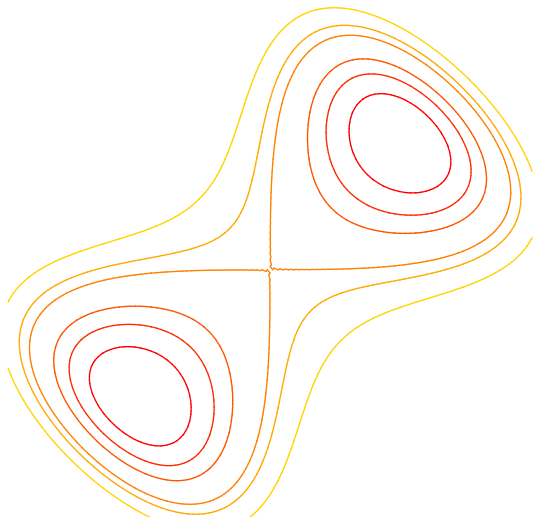
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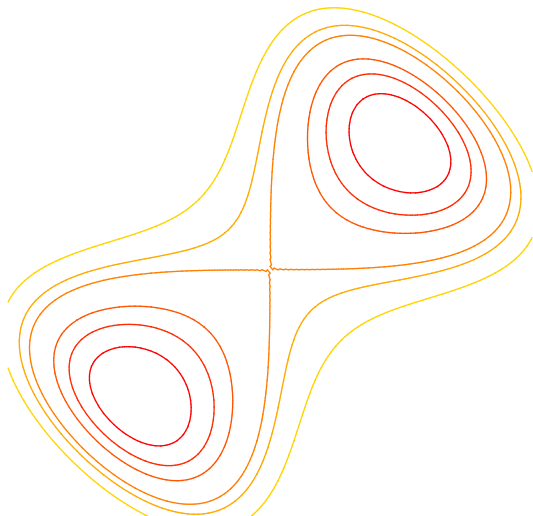
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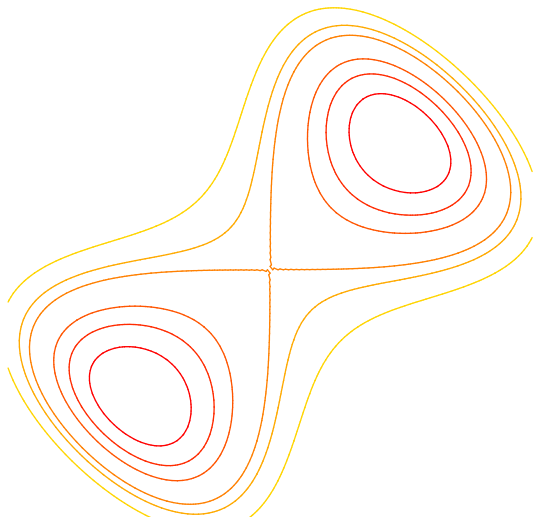
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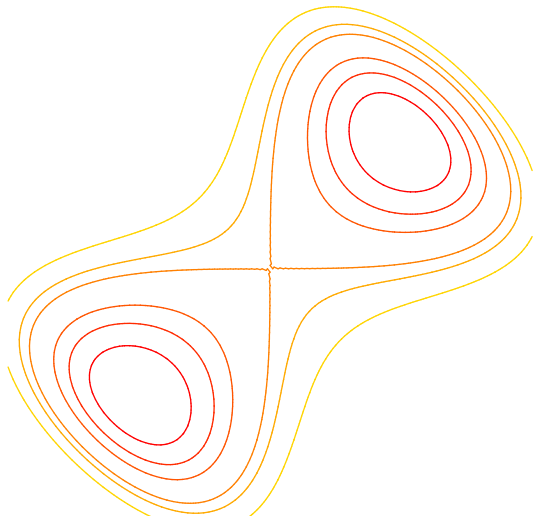
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- 2  $S^3 = D^2 \times S^1 \cup_{id} S^1 \times D^2$
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- Discrete group:  $u = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$

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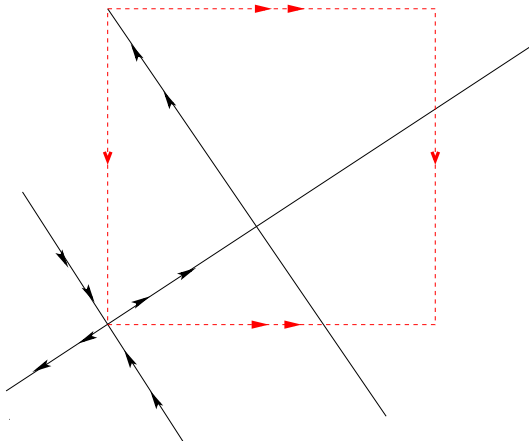
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# The Anosov Diffeomorphism

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## Conjecture (Thurston)

*Each compact 3-manifold admits a canonical decomposition into complete, finite-volume geometric 3-manifolds.*

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## Theorem (B. 2005)

Assume the GC. A compact 3-manifold admits a riemannian metric with a semisimple geodesic flow iff it admits one of five geometric structures:

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We show  $\deg \rho \neq 0$ , use a result of Viterbo's that  $\deg \rho \neq 0$  implies  $\rho$  is a covering map, then use a cohomology argument to show  $\rho$  is 1-1.  $\square$

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# Questions

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- 2 Is it possible to give a description of the smooth invariant which determines whether or not a topological manifold admits a semisimple geodesic flow?
- 3 Must a real-analytically integrable system in dimensions 6 and more have zero entropy?