

# Fundamental groups of small covers

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- Then  $M \rightarrow BP \rightarrow B\mathbb{Z}_2^n$  induces an exact sequence

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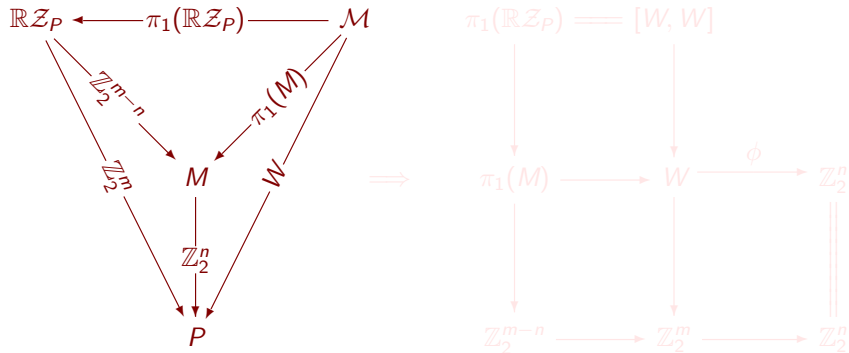
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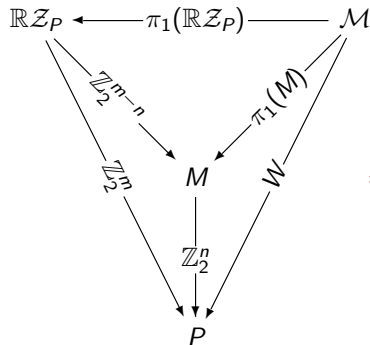
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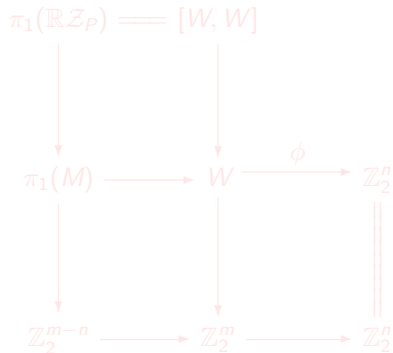


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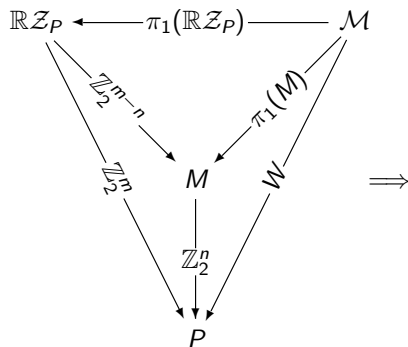


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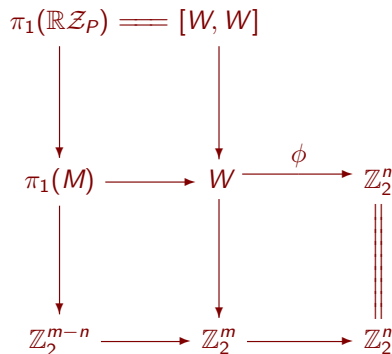


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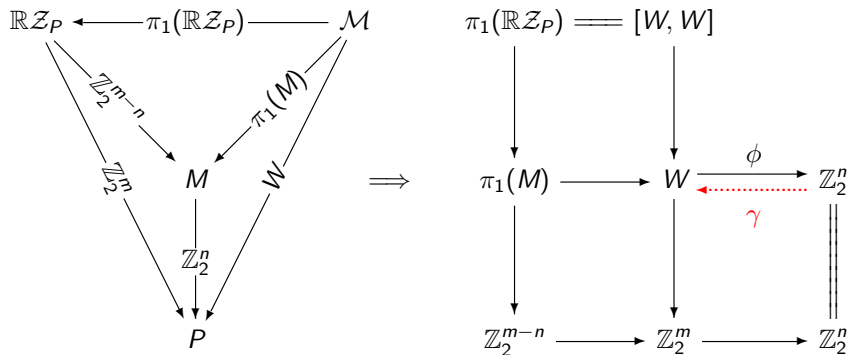


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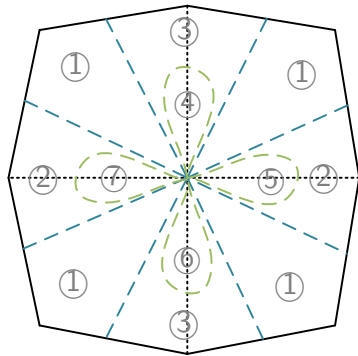
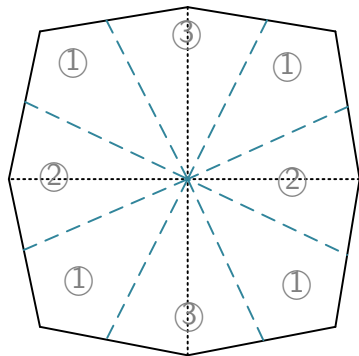


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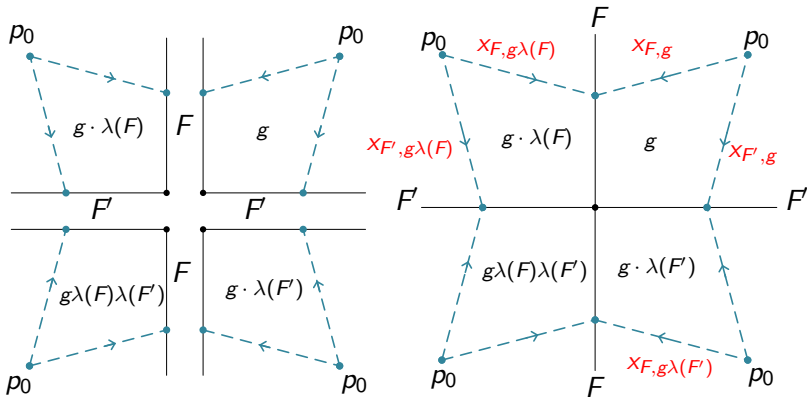
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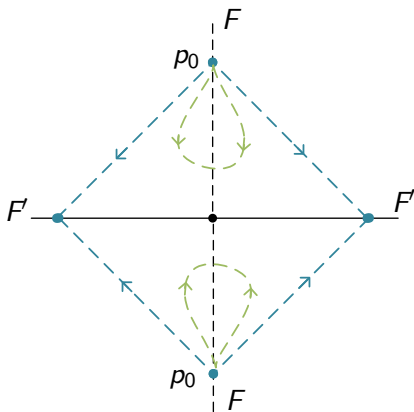
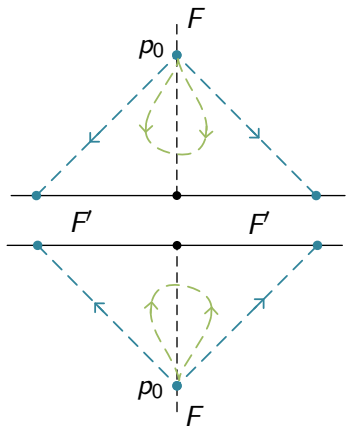




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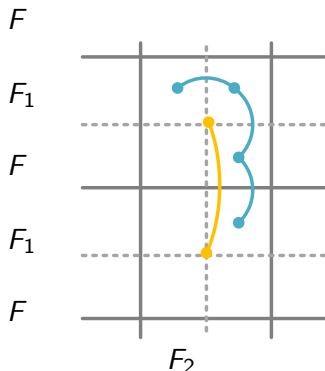
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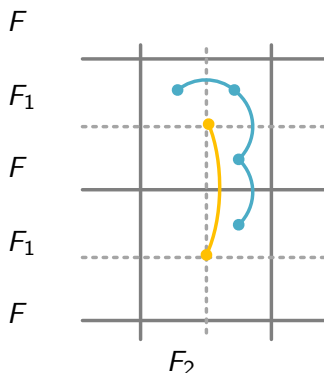
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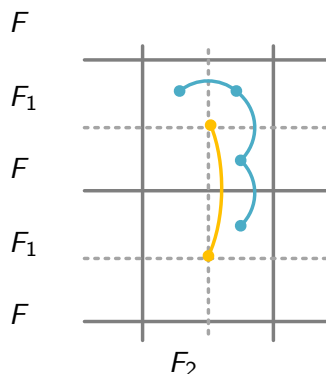


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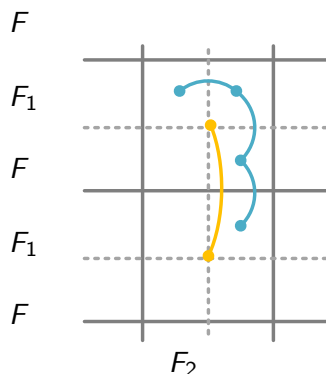
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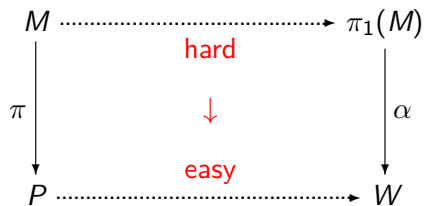
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### Theorem (Kneser, Prime Decomposition Theorem)

*Every compact oriented 3 manifold  $M$  factors as a connected sum of prime manifolds,  $M \cong M_1 \# \cdots \# M_n$ , and this decomposition is unique up to insertion or deletion of  $S^3$  summands.*

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# End of Talk

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