

# Reduction of a Quantum Theory

## Cosmological Degrees of Freedom in Loop Quantum Gravity

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# Overview

## What are the cosmological degrees of freedom of LQG?

### 1 Classical insight:

*"Symmetry reduction in class. systems is furnished by a pull-back under a Poisson map( $\eta^*$ )"*

$\Rightarrow$  Construct "quantum Poisson map"

### 2 Quantum Reduction:

*"Use a mechanism similar to Morita equivalence and Rieffel induction"*

### 3 Application to Loop Quantum Gravity $\Rightarrow$ Extract Cosmology

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 $\{\eta^* f, \eta^* g\} = \eta^* \{f, g\} \quad \forall f, g \in \mathfrak{A}_{class}$  (Poisson map)  
 $\Rightarrow$  Find "Quantum Poisson Maps"!

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$\Rightarrow$  Quantization and Reduction do generally not commute!

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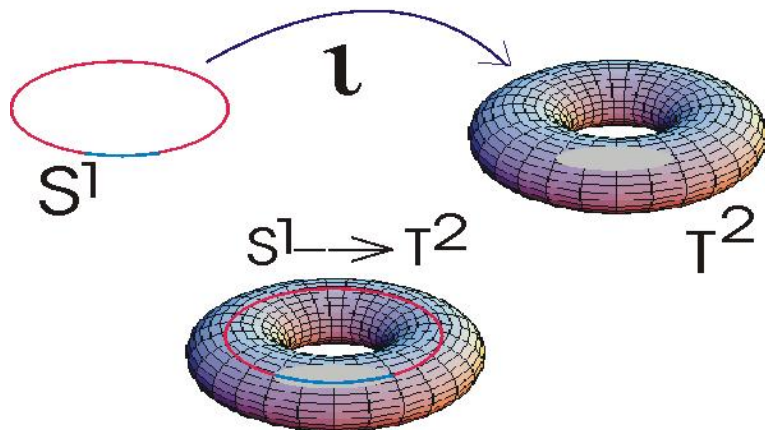
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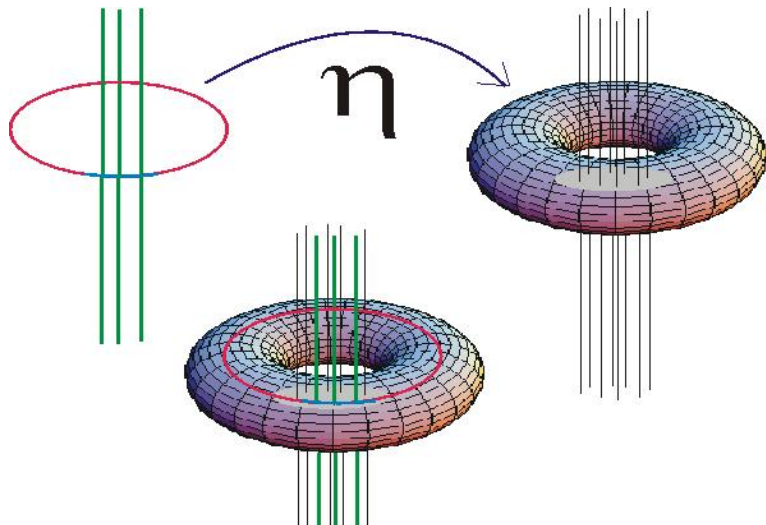
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Definition: **Quantum Poisson map**  $\mathcal{E}$  together with  $S \leftrightarrow T$ .

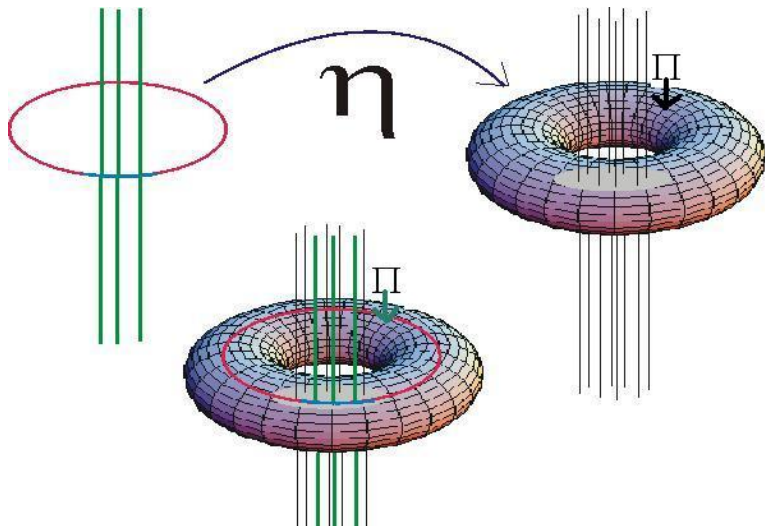
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*ODE is approximated by an approximation of paths through piecewise spirals.*

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- kinematical constraints solved by restriction  $(Dom(P), Img(i))$  to constraint surface in full LQG
- New combinatorial problems in finding kernel of scalar constraint!

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  - Use holomorphic cosmological states (proposed by J. Engle)