

# Classifications of Data-Driven Koopman Learning

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*“To classify is to bring order into chaos.”* - **George Pólya**

C., Mezić, Stepanenko *“Limits and Powers of Koopman Learning,”* preprint, 2024.

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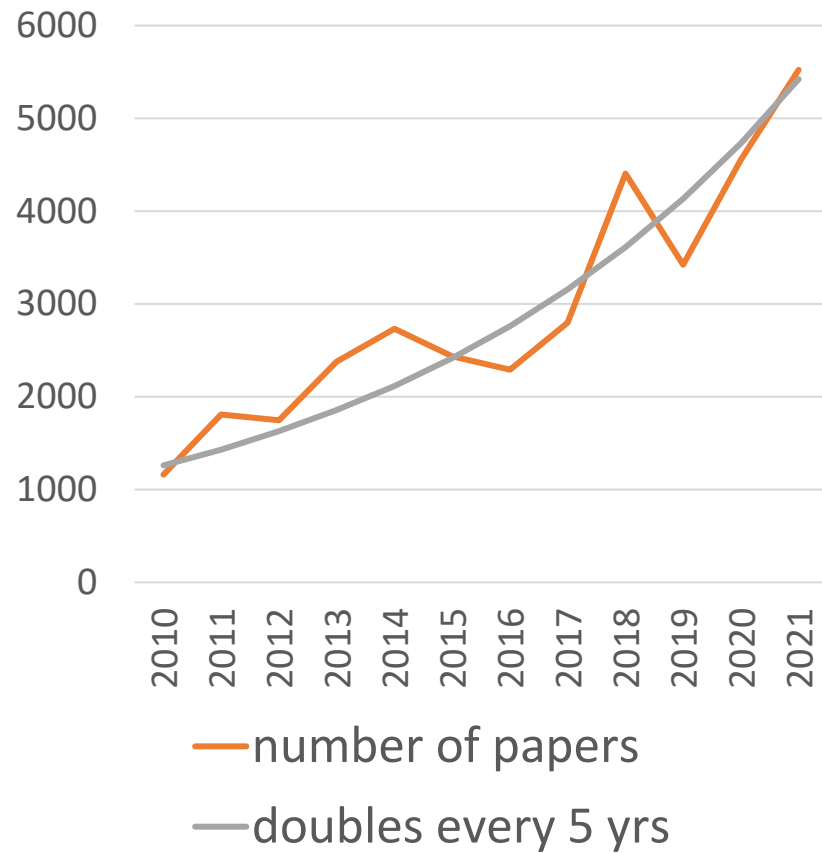
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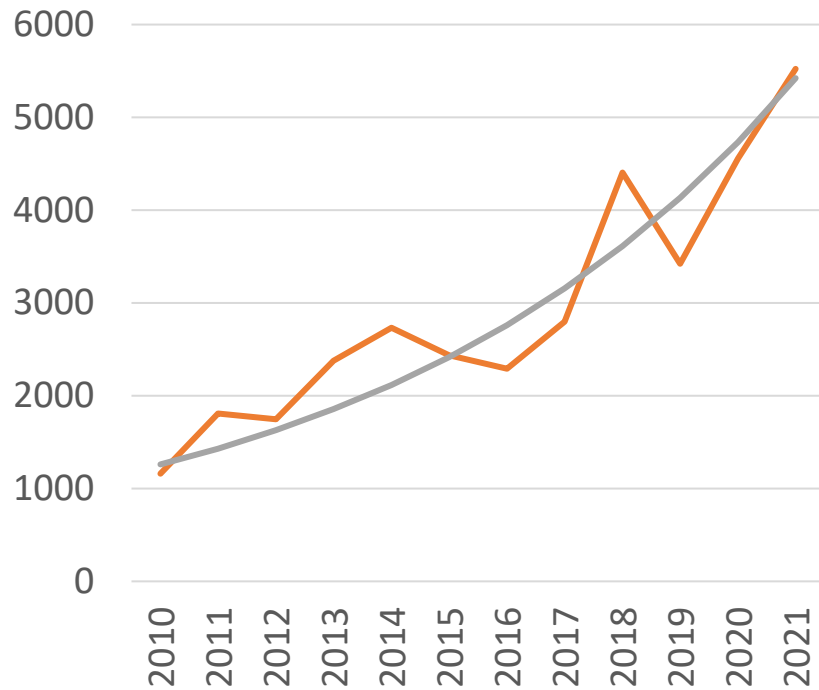
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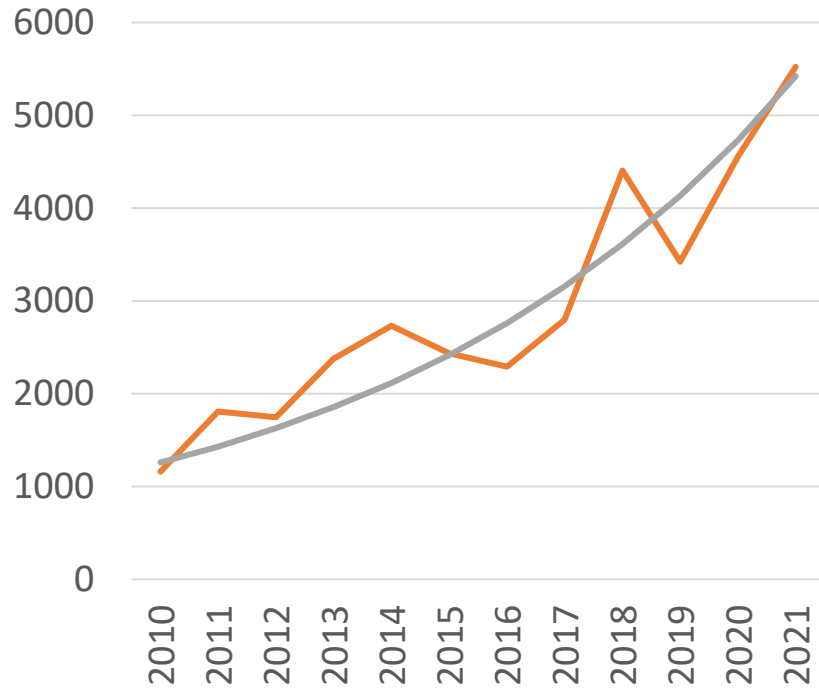
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**Open question:** *When can we learn spectral properties of Koopman operators from trajectory data, and when can we not?*

# Outline

- Constructing adversaries – *impossibility theorem*
- Towers of algorithms – *possibility theorem*
- The Solvability Complexity Index Hierarchy – *classifications*
- Where does this leave us?



## Example: Theorem A (impossibility)

Class:  $\Omega_{\mathbb{D}} = \{F: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D} \text{ s. t. } F \text{ cts, measure preserving, invertible}\}.$

Perfect measurement device:  $\mathcal{T}_F = \{(x, y_m): x \in \mathbb{D}, \|F(x) - y_m\| \leq 2^{-m}\}.$

- There **does not exist** any sequence of *deterministic* algorithms  $\{\Gamma_n\}$  using input data  $\mathcal{T}_F$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Gamma_n(F) = \text{Sp}(\mathcal{K}_F) \quad \forall F \in \Omega_{\mathbb{D}}.$

- For **any** sequence of *random* algorithms  $\{\Gamma_n\}$  that uses  $\mathcal{T}_F$

$$\inf_{F \in \Omega_{\mathbb{D}}} \mathbb{P} \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Gamma_n(F) = \text{Sp}(\mathcal{K}_F) \right) \leq 1/2.$$

No better than random chance

- 
- Universal - any type of algorithm or computational model.
  - Phase transition at  $\mathbb{P} = 1/2$  optimal.
  - Can learn statistics for  $\Omega_{\mathbb{D}}$ , doesn't help!
  - Extends to other  $\mathcal{X}$ .

# Proof idea (deterministic case)

$F_0$ : rotation by  $\pi$ ,  $\text{Sp}(\mathcal{K}_{F_0}) = \{\pm 1\}$  (easy exercise using Lap. efuncs)

**Phase transition lemma:** Let  $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}, Y = \{y_1, \dots, y_N\}$  be distinct points in annulus  $\mathcal{A} = \{x \in \mathbb{D} : 0 < R < \|x\| < r < 1\}$  with  $X \cap Y = \emptyset$ . There exists a measure-preserving homeomorphism  $H$  such that  $H$  acts as the identity on  $\mathbb{D} \setminus \mathcal{A}$  and  $H(y_j) = F_0(H(x_j)), j = 1, \dots, N$ .

*Conjugacy of data ( $x_j \rightarrow y_j$ ) with  $F_0$*

**Idea:** Use lemma to trick any algorithm into oscillating between spectra.

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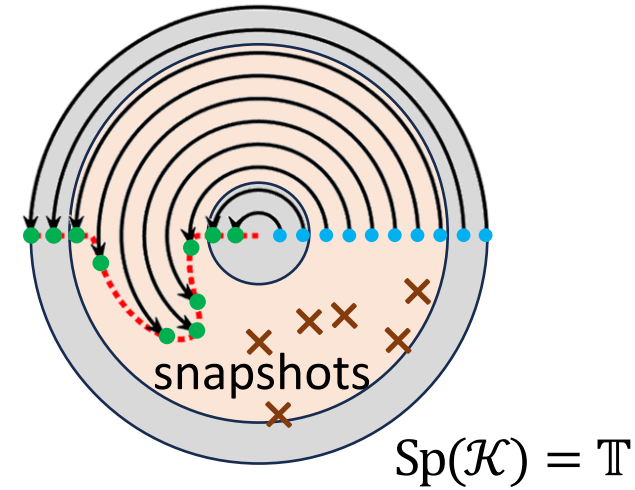
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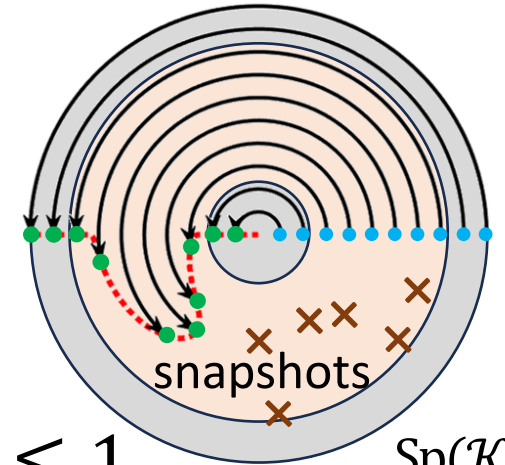
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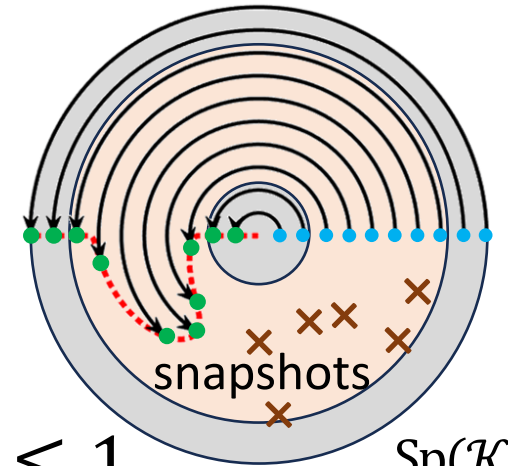
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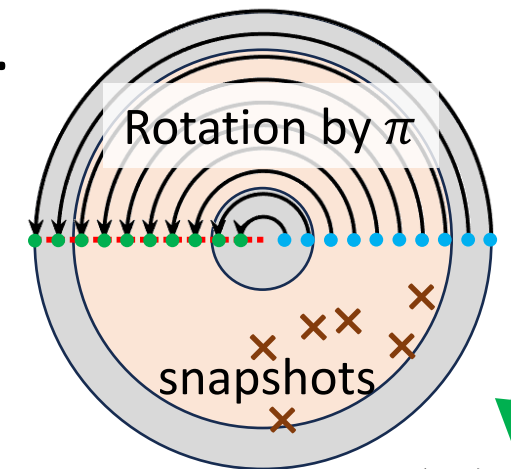
Apply lemma:  $F_1 = H_1^{-1} \circ F_0 \circ H_1$  on annulus  $\mathcal{A}_1$ .

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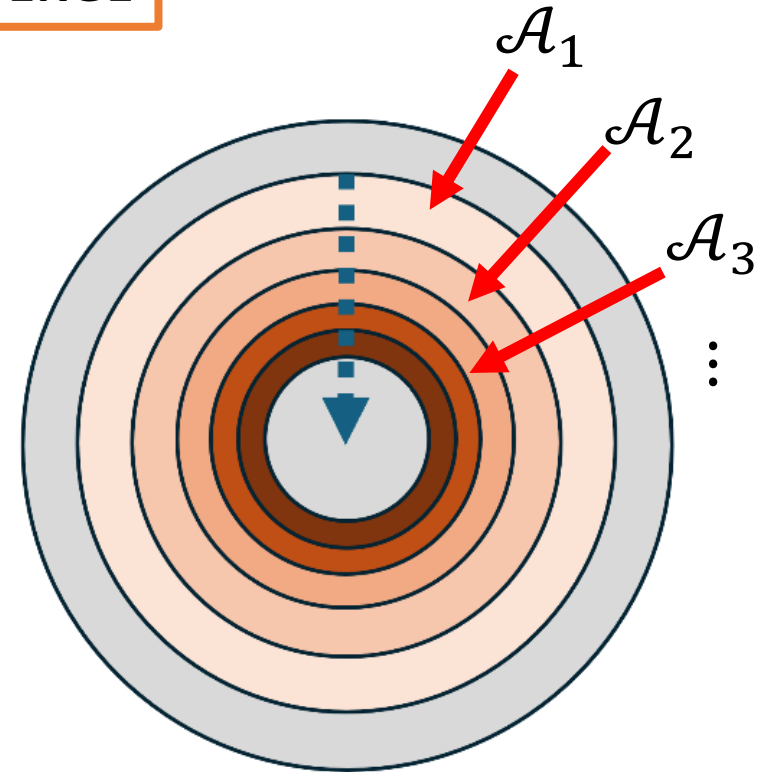
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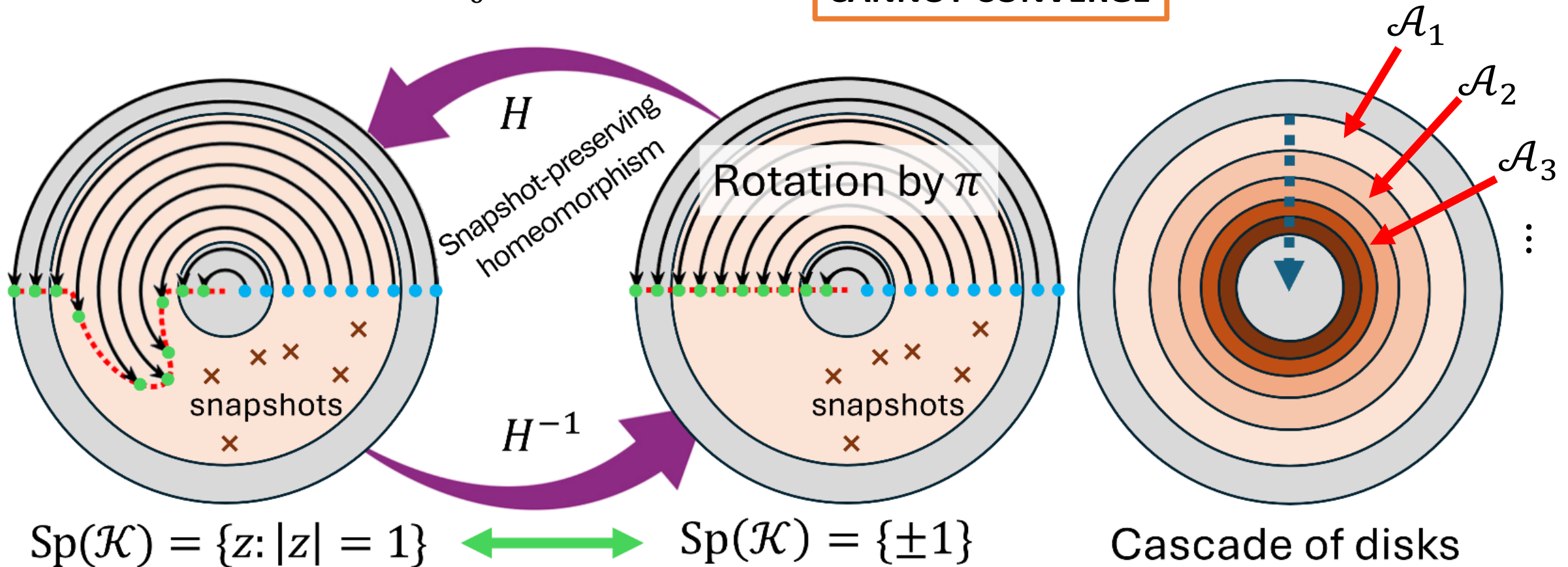
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**Note the double limit**  $\lim_{n_2 \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n_1 \rightarrow \infty}$

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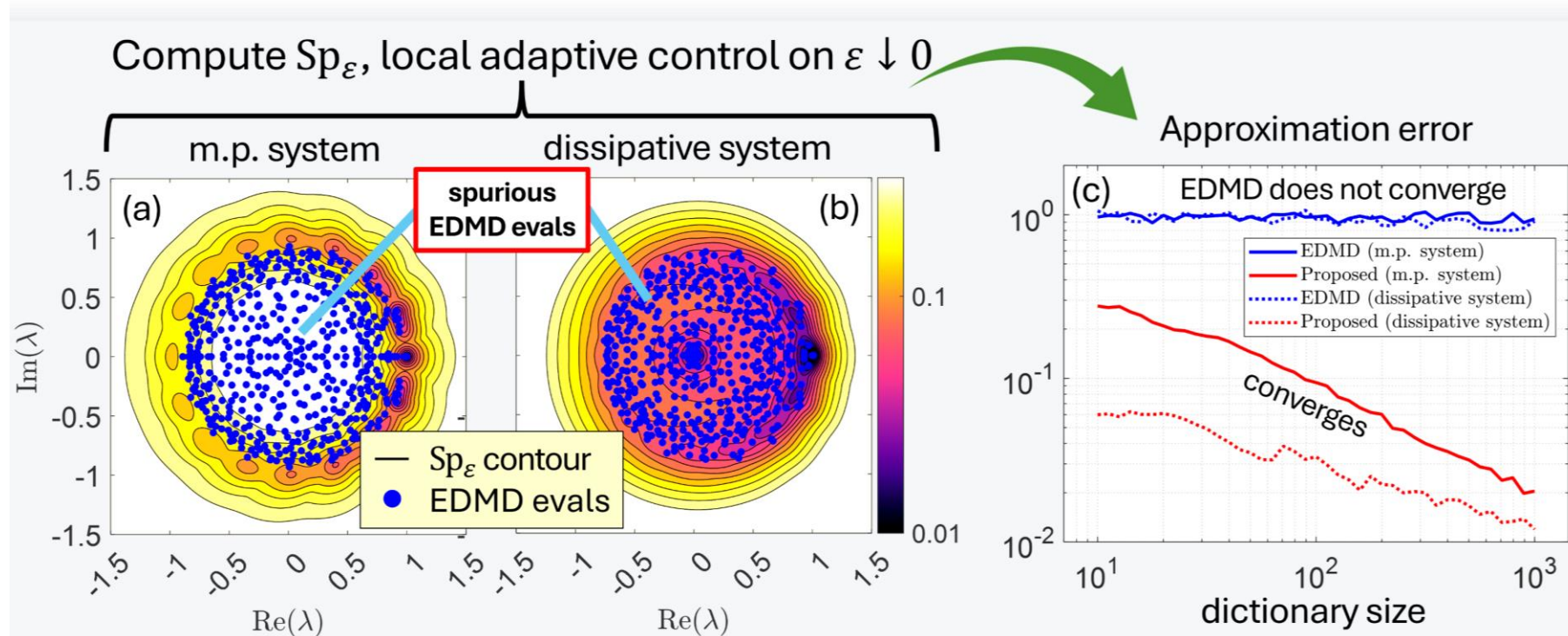
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Call  $\{\Gamma_{n_k, \dots, n_1}\}$  with  $\lim_{n_k \rightarrow \infty} \dots \lim_{n_1 \rightarrow \infty} \Gamma_{n_k, \dots, n_1}$  convergent a **tower of algorithms**.

← algorithm

First appeared in dynamical systems theory:



Steve Smale

“Is there any purely iterative convergent rational map for polynomial zero finding?”



Curtis McMullen

“Yes for cubic, no for higher degree. Quartic and quintic can be solved using towers of algorithms. Sextic cannot be solved in any number of limits.”

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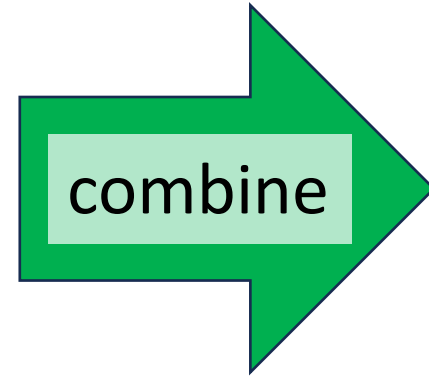
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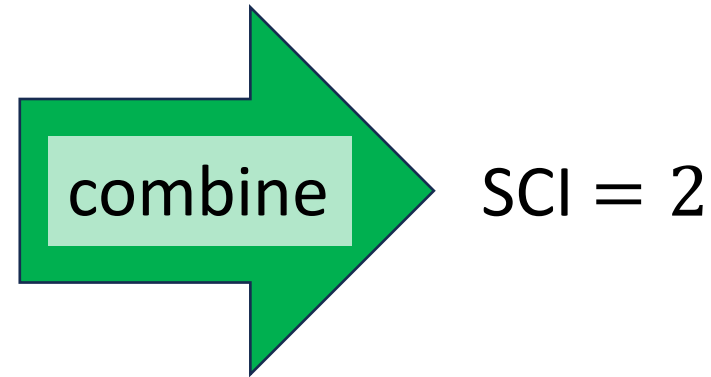


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Extended DMD [47]	general $L^2$ spaces	$\text{SCI} \leq 2^*$	N/C	N/C	n/a
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Measure-preserving EDMD [45]	m.p. systems	$\text{SCI} \leq 1$	N/C	$\text{SCI} \leq 2^*$ (general) $\text{SCI} \leq 1$ (delay-embedding)	n/a
Hankel DMD [85]	m.p. ergodic systems	$\text{SCI} \leq 2^*$	N/C	N/C	n/a
Periodic approximations [86]	m.p. + $\omega$ a.c.	$\text{SCI} \leq 2$	N/C	$\text{SCI} \leq 2$ (see [87])	a.c. density: $\text{SCI} \leq 3$
Christoffel–Darboux kernel [40]	m.p. ergodic systems	$\text{SCI} \leq 3$	n/a	$\text{SCI} \leq 2$	e.g., a.c. density: $\text{SCI} \leq 2$
Generator EDMD [88]	cts.-time, samples $\nabla F$ (otherwise additional limit)	$\text{SCI} \leq 2$	N/C	$\text{SCI} \leq 2$ (see [89])	n/a
Compactification [42]	cts.-time, m.p. ergodic systems	$\text{SCI} \leq 4$	N/C	$\text{SCI} \leq 4$	n/a
Resolvent compactification [43]	cts.-time, m.p. ergodic systems	$\text{SCI} \leq 5$	N/C	$\text{SCI} \leq 5$	n/a
Diffusion maps [90] (see also [10])	cts.-time, m.p. ergodic systems	$\text{SCI} \leq 3$	n/a	n/a	n/a

**Previous techniques prove upper bounds on SCI.** “N/C”: method need not converge without additional strong assumptions (e.g., observable inside a known finite-dimensional invariant subspace) “n/a”: indicates algorithm not applicable to problem.

Appears also in Ulam’s method, computation of SRB measures, control,...

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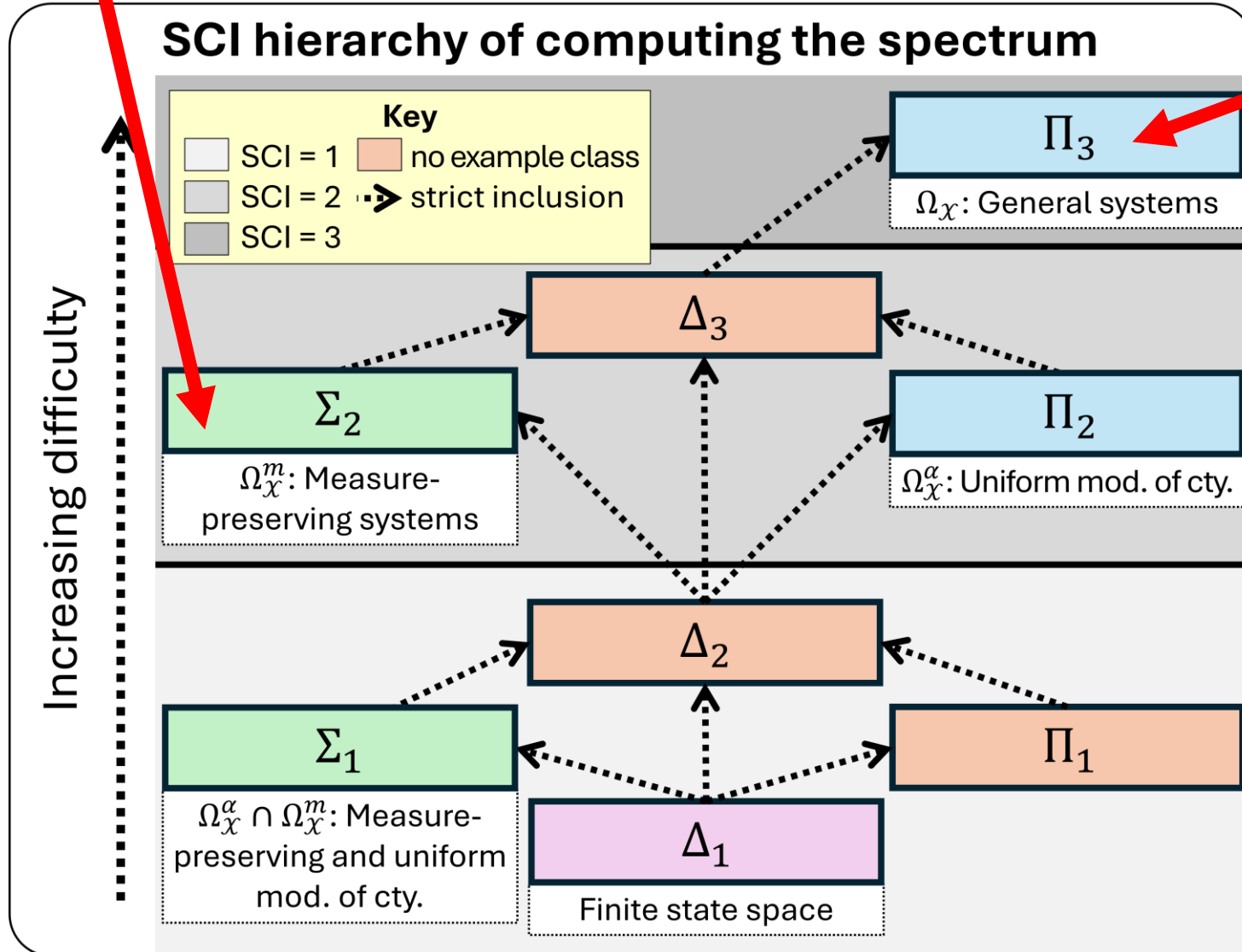
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## Theorems A + B

## SCI for Koopman I

3 limits needed  
in general!



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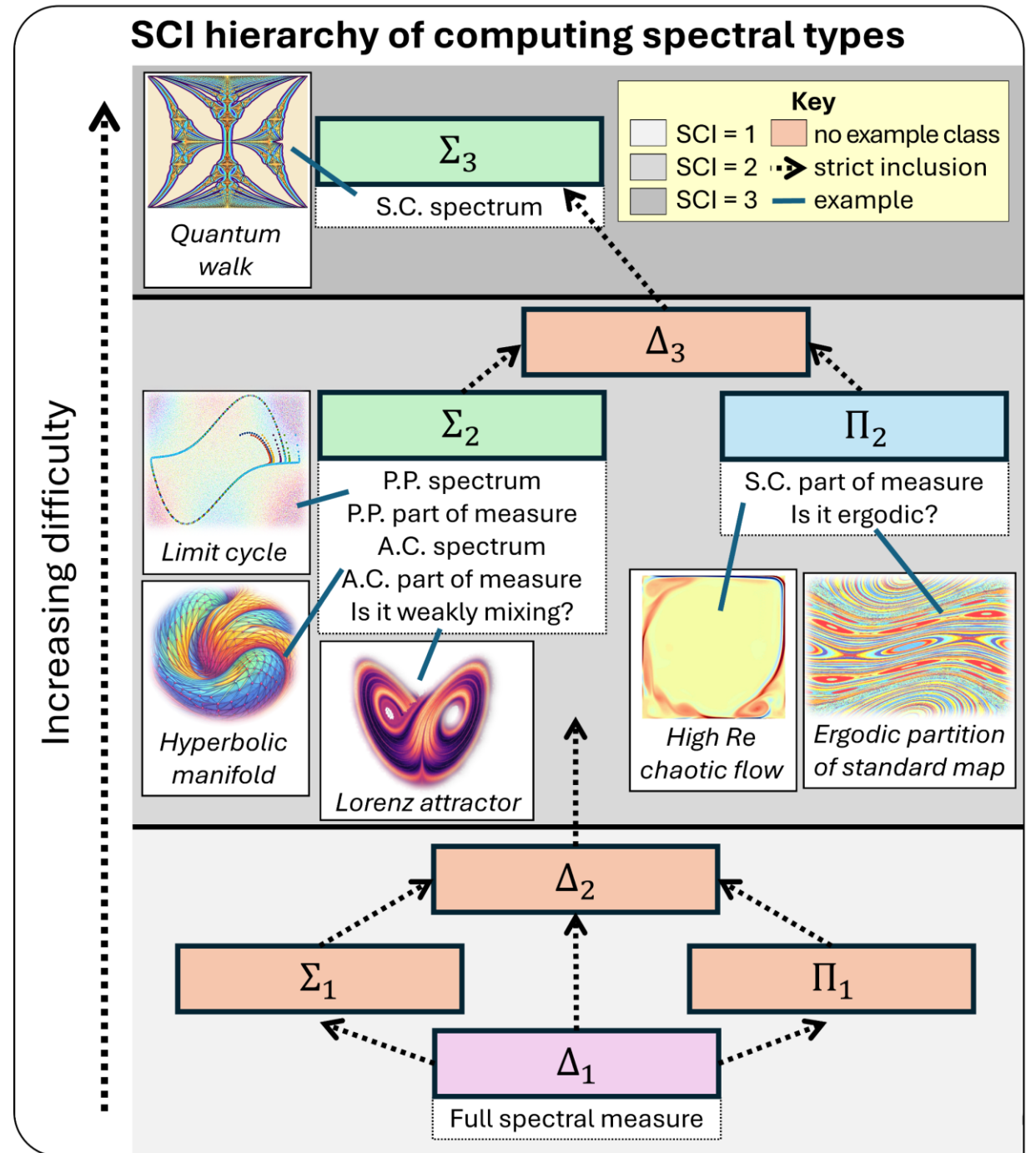
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**Optimal algorithms and  
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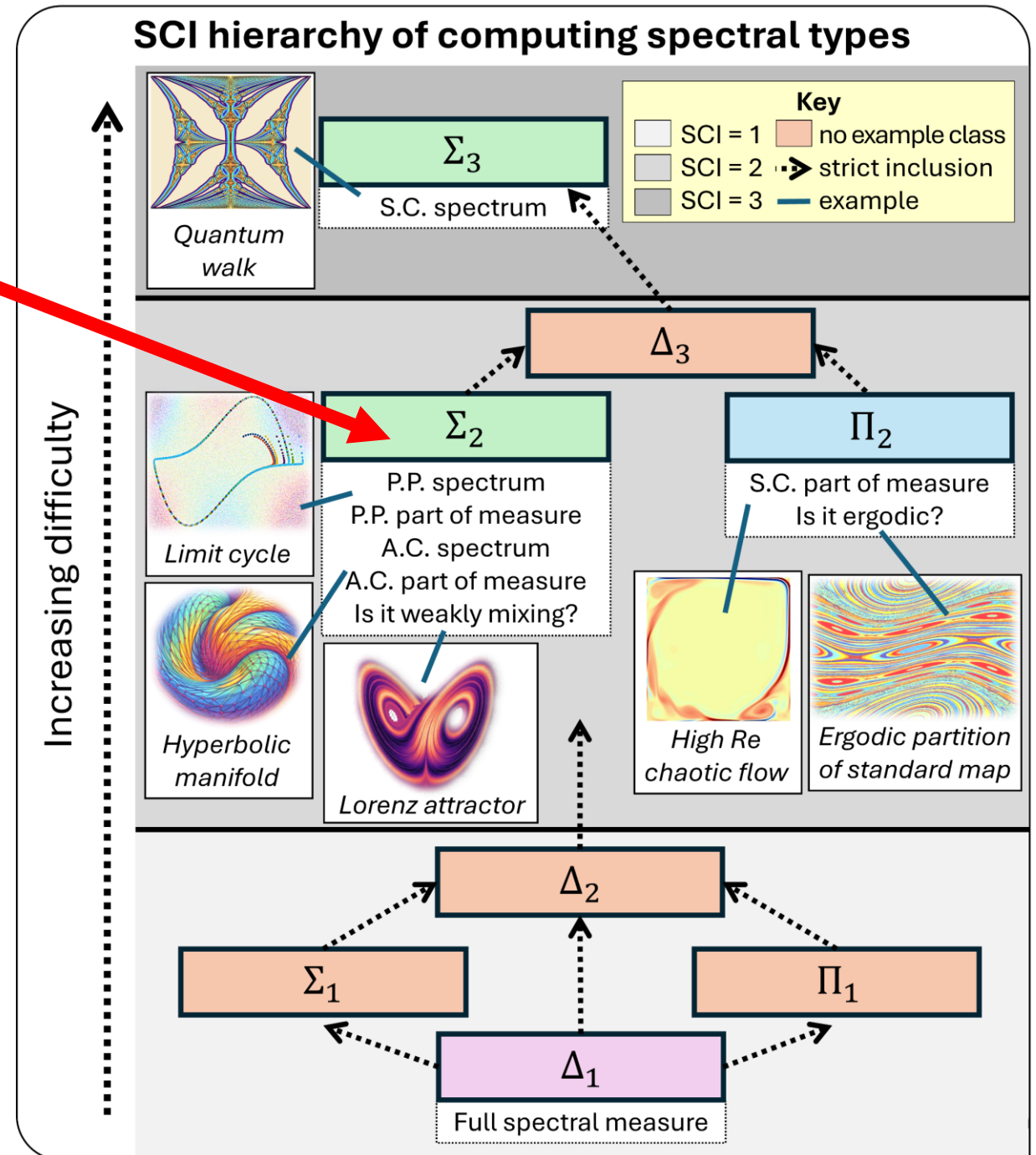
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## Example: **Theorem C**

For smooth, m.p. on a torus, learning non-trivial eigenfunctions or even determining if there are any has  $SCI = 2$  (even if we can sample derivatives).

Finding finite-dimensional coordinate systems and embeddings in which the dynamics are linear (e.g., autoencoders, latent space representation) is very hard!

**NB:** Constant is trivial efun, others “non-trivial”!





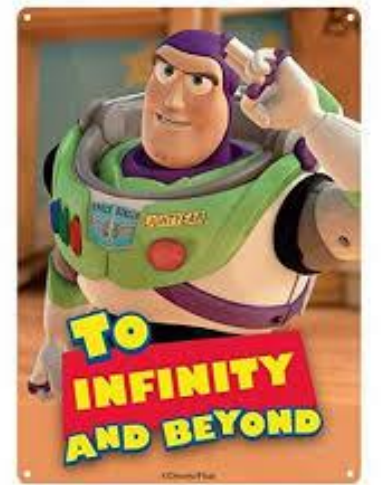
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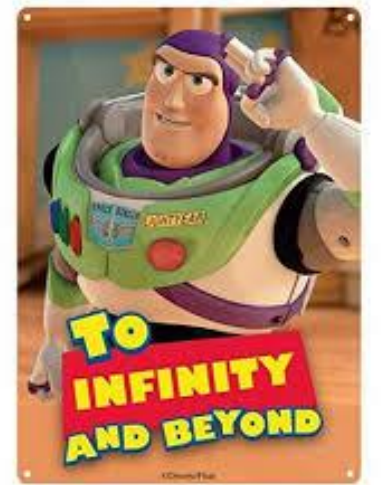
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