

Physics 618 2020

Classify $U(1)$ Central extensions
of Abelian Groups, Pontryagin
Duality, Stone-von Neumann
Theorem

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Last time: We discussed a bit about the relation of a Lie group G to its Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g} = T_1 G$ but I neglected to state one of the main theorems in the subject:

$$G \longrightarrow \text{Tangent space @ } 1$$

$$\exp^g \leftarrow v \in T_1 G$$

Thm

- (a) Every finite dim'l Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} over $k = \mathbb{R}$ is the Lie algebra of a unique (up to isom.) connected and simply connected Lie group.

"Simple" Lie algebras : Nonabelian &
no nontrivial ideals

$J \subset \mathfrak{g}$ sub Lie algebra

but $\forall x \in J, y \in J, [x, y] \in J$

Example of nonsimple Lie algebra

Poincaré algebra = Lie algebra of Poincaré
Lie group
or

Affine Euclidean

$$I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \text{Eucl}(d) \rightarrow O(d) \rightarrow I$$

Lie algebra level : P_μ translations
in μ th direction



$M_{\mu\nu}$ rotations in
 $\mu\nu$ plane

$$[P_\mu, P_\nu] = 0$$

$$[P_\mu, M_{\lambda\rho}] = \delta_{\mu\lambda} P_\rho - \delta_{\mu\rho} P_\lambda$$

$$[M_{\mu\nu}, M_{\lambda\rho}] = \text{Sum of 4 } M's$$

Simple Lie Group

(a.) It's Lie algebra is simple



(b.) G is connected, nonabelian and does not have nontrivial
connected normal subgroups.

N.B. $SU(n)$ is a simple Lie group and

$$Z(SU(n)) = \left\{ \omega i \mathbb{1}_n \right\} \quad \omega = \exp \frac{2\pi i}{n}$$
$$\cong \mathbb{Z}_n$$

is a normal subgroup. So a "Simple Lie group" is not the same thing as a Lie group which is also a simple group.

Why you need the "connected and simply connected" criterion:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G \times \Gamma & & \text{same Lie algebra as } G \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \downarrow \\ \text{Lie} & \text{finite} & \text{Lie} \end{array}$$

Similarly if $\Gamma \subset Z(G)$

$\rightarrow G/\Gamma$ is a Lie group with
the same Lie algebra as G ,

e.g. $SU(2)/\mathbb{Z}_2 \cong SO(3)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \text{su}(2) & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \text{so}(3) \\ 2 \times 2 \text{ antihermitian} & & 3 \times 3 \text{ real} \\ \text{traceless matrices} & & \text{antisymmetric} \\ & & \text{matrices} \end{array}$$

$$[J^i, J^j] = \epsilon^{ijk} J^k$$

Every compact Lie group

$$1 \rightarrow G_0 \rightarrow G \xrightarrow{\pi_0(G)} \underbrace{\pi_0(G)}_{\text{group of components.}} \rightarrow 1$$

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cpt of identity

$$G_0 = \frac{G_{ss} \times T^d}{\text{finite}}$$

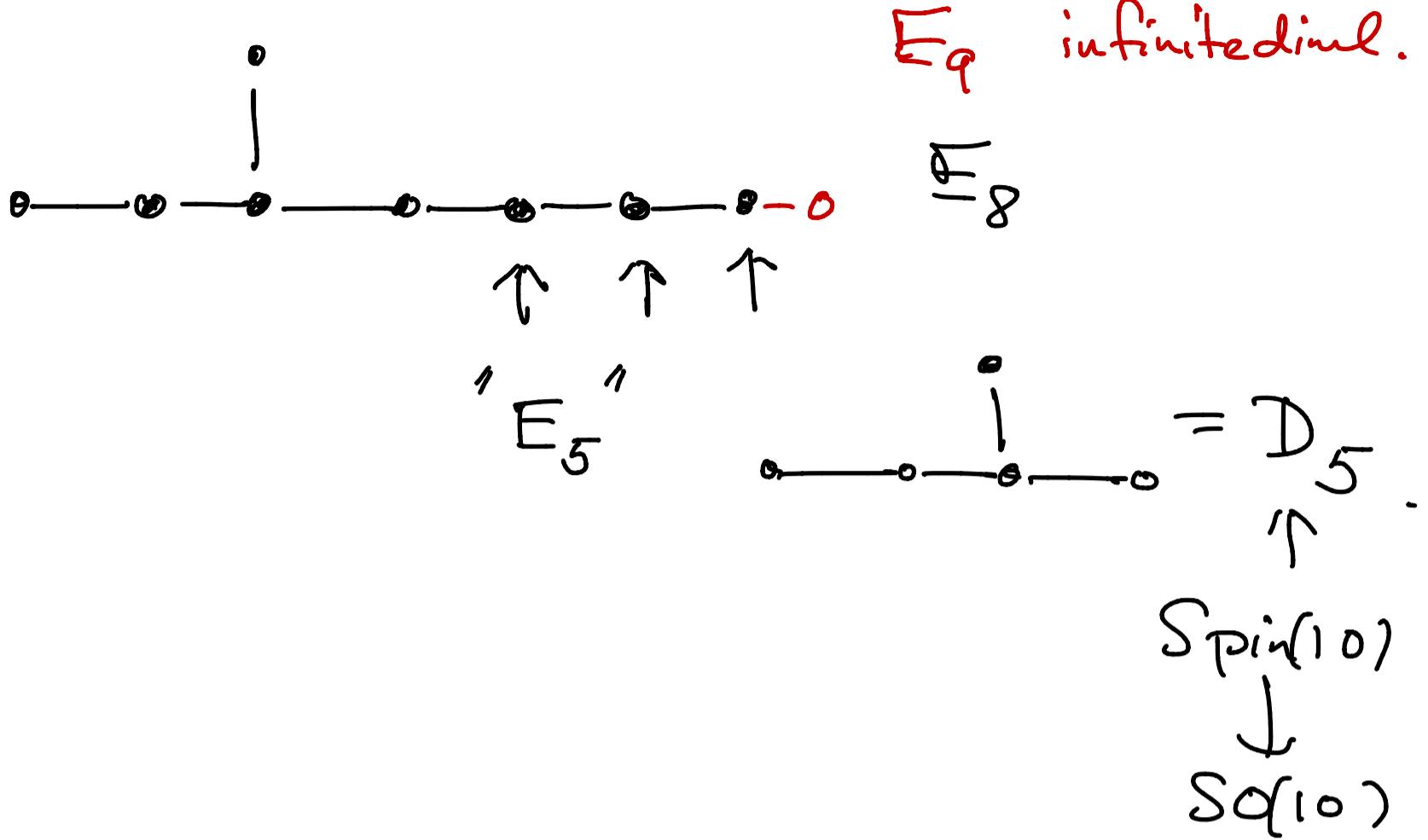
$$G_{ss} = \prod_i \overline{G_i} \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{compact} \\ \text{simple.} \end{matrix}$$

Compact Simple, simply connected, connected

- $SU(n)$ have been classified by Cartan:
- $SO(2n+1)$
 - $USp(2n)$
 - $SO(2n)$ (simply connected cover is $Spin(2n)$)

G_2	14
F_4	52
E_6	78
E_7	133
E_8	248

Dynkin diagrams E_n series



Heisenberg Groups

Consider general central extensions

$$1 \rightarrow A \longrightarrow \tilde{G} \longrightarrow G \rightarrow 1$$

↑ ↑

Abelian Abelian

$$\tilde{G} = \{(a, g) \mid a \in A, g \in G\}$$

$$(a_1, g_1) \cdot (a_2, g_2) = (a_1 a_2 f(g_1, g_2), g_1 g_2)$$

↑
Cocycle.

group Commutator
 $\underline{Z(\tilde{G})}$

$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \left[\underset{=}{{\underline{(a_1, g_1)}}, {\underline{(a_2, g_2)}}} \right] = \left(\frac{f(g_1, g_2)}{\cancel{f(g_2, g_1)}}, \underset{\cancel{\underline{\underline{\underline{\quad}}}}}{1} \right) \\ \uparrow \end{array}$$

$$k: G \times G \longrightarrow A$$

Gab.

"commutator function"

$$k = f(g_1, g_2) f(g_2, g_1)^{-1}$$

- ① inut under $f \sim f'$ by coboundary
- ② \tilde{G} Abelian iff $k = 1$
- ③ k skew, alternating, bimultiplicative

$$k(g_1, g_2, g_3) = k(g_1, g_3) k(g_2, g_3)$$

Def: General Heisenberg group is

$\underline{\tilde{G}}$ fits in such an extension
with k nondegenerate i.e.

$g \neq 1$ then $\exists g'$ so that

$$k(g, g') \neq 1.$$

If k is nondegenerate then

$Z(\tilde{G}) \cong A$ i.e. \tilde{G} is
a maximally non Abelian extension
of G by A .

$A = U(1)$ or a fin. gen.
Subgroup of $U(1)$

G product of

- * Vector spaces
- * Tori $\cong \mathbb{R}^d / \mathbb{Z}^d$
- * fin. generated Abelian groups

Then we have a nice theorem:

Thm: Isom. classes of c.e. of such
 G by $U(1)$ are in 1-1 correspondence
with continuous bimultiplicative alternating
functions $k: G \times G \rightarrow U(1)$

"alternating": $k(g, g) = 1$

Much easier than solving cocycle relation and computing the coh. class.

Remarks:

(1.) "Finitely Generated Abelian Groups"

$$A \approx \langle \underbrace{g_1, \dots, g_n}_{\text{finite}} \mid [g_i; g_j] = 1 \rangle$$

$$1 \rightarrow \underbrace{\text{Tors}(A)}_{\text{finite Abelian}} \rightarrow A \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^r \rightarrow 1$$

Sequence will split, but not canonically.

def: For any Abelian group A

there is a canonical finite subgroup

$$\text{Tors}(A) := \{a \in A \mid a \text{ has finite order}\}$$

Important that A is Abelian.

$$A / \text{Tors}(A) \cong \mathbb{Z}^r \text{ some } r = \text{"rank"}$$

So, what are the finite Abelian groups?

Kronecker Structure Theorem:

Every fin. Ab. gp. is isom. to a product of cyclic groups.

Noncanonically

$$G \approx \left(\prod \mathbb{Z}/n_i \mathbb{Z} \right) \times \mathbb{Z}^d \times \left(\frac{\mathbb{R}^n}{\mathbb{Z}^n} \right)^{\bar{V}}$$

Important that k only characterizes \tilde{G} up to isomorphism. To construct an actual group one must find a cocycle f s.t. $k(g_1, g_2) = \frac{f(g_1, g_2)}{f(g_2, g_1)}$

Theorem guarantees that if k is bimult. and alternating, then f exists.

Pontryagin Duality

Recall discussion of clock $\frac{1}{2}$ shift

ops from Q.M. on \mathbb{C}^n

Def: S - Abelian group

Pontryagin dual group: $\widehat{S} :=$

group of continuous homomorphisms

$$\chi: S \rightarrow U(1)$$

"continuous": The Theory is richest
for topological Abelian groups, in fact

"locally compact topological Abelian groups"

X is loc. cpt. if $\forall x \in X$,

$\exists K \subset X$, Open U $x \in U \subset K$.
 \hookrightarrow cpt.

finite groups } (discrete topology)]
 lattices

Tori, finite dimensional v.s.

all
 loc.
 cpt.
~~all~~ Abelian
 groups

∞ -dim Hilbert space is a topological
Abelian group, but is not loc. cpt.

S' - loc. cpt. Abelian group

$$\widehat{S}' := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \chi: G \rightarrow U(1) \text{ homom.} \\ \chi \text{ continuous} \end{array} \right\}$$

\widehat{S}' is a locally compact
Abelian group.

$$(\chi_1, \chi_2)(s) := \chi_1(s)\chi_2(s)$$

defines the group product.

Given $s \in S'$ we have a
map $\widehat{S}' \rightarrow U(1)$ be evaluation.

$$ev_s : \chi \xrightarrow{\pi} \chi(s) \in U(1)$$

[Topologize \widehat{S} weakest top. so that
 ev_s is continuous]

\widehat{S} = Group of unitary 1-diml
 rep's of S'

S' Abelian of the above type
 all irreps one 1-diml.

$ev_s = \widehat{s}$ is a character on
 the loc. cpt. Abelian group \widehat{S}

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S & \longrightarrow & \widehat{S} \\ s \in S & \longrightarrow & ev_s : \chi \rightarrow \chi(s). \end{array}$$

Thm: $S \cong \widehat{S}$

Example 1: $S = \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$

$\chi \in \text{Hom}(S, U(1))$

$\chi(\tau) \in U(1)$

$$\chi(\bar{l}) = (\chi(\tau))^l \quad l \equiv \bar{l} \pmod{n}.$$

$$\chi(0) = \chi(\bar{n}) = (\chi(\tau))^n = 1$$

$\therefore \chi(\tau)$ is an n^{th} root of 1

$$\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \cong \text{Res}(n) \cong \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$$

Now by Fron. structure theorem
we get P.D. for all fin.
Abelian groups.

Example 2: $G = \mathbb{R}$ $\chi \in \widehat{\mathbb{R}}$

$$\chi(x+y) = \chi(x)\chi(y)$$

$$\text{So } \chi(x) = \exp(ax) \quad a \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$\in U(1) \quad a \in i\mathbb{R},$$

$$" \quad ik \quad k \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\chi_k(x) = e^{ikx} \quad k \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\widehat{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R}.$$

Example 3 : $S = \mathbb{Z} = \langle 1 \rangle$

$$\xi = \chi(1) \in U(1)$$

$$\chi_{\xi}(n) = \xi^n \quad \chi_{\xi}, \chi_{\xi_2} = \chi_{\xi_1 \xi_2}$$
$$\sum \mathbb{Z} \cong U(1)$$

Example 4 $S = U(1)$

$\chi \in \text{Hom}(U(1), U(1))$

\cong

\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}

$\mathbb{R} \rightarrow U(1)$

$x \in \mathbb{R}, \chi(x) = e^{ikx}$

$= e^{ik(x+2\pi)}$ $k \in \mathbb{Z}$

$\chi_n(\xi) = \xi^n$ $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$\widehat{U(1)}$ 1-dim imps of $U(1)$

are the integers.

$\chi_{n_1} \chi_{n_2} = \chi_{n_1+n_2}.$

$\widehat{U(1)} \cong \mathbb{Z}$

$\widehat{\mathbb{Z}} \cong U(1).$

Example 5

Generalizes

$$\overbrace{\mathbb{Z}^d} = U(1)^d$$

$$\overbrace{U(1)^d} = \mathbb{Z}^d$$

$G = \mathbb{Z}^d$ but embedded in
Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^d

Lattice in \mathbb{R}^d $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{R}^d$

$$\begin{matrix} & & & & & \\ & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \\ & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \\ & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \\ & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \\ & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \\ & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \\ & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \\ & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \end{matrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\mathbb{R}^d / \Gamma \cong \text{torus} \cong U(1)^d$$

$\Gamma \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ using Eucl. product
can define dual lattice

$$\Gamma^\vee = \{ k \in \mathbb{R}^d \mid k \cdot \underline{x} \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$

Γ^\vee will also be a d -dim lattice.

What are the unitary imps of Γ ?

$$\chi_k(\gamma) = \exp(2\pi i k \cdot \gamma)$$

for any $k \in \mathbb{R}^d$

we get a

Unitary imrep of Γ .

$$\chi_k(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2) = \chi_k(\gamma_1) \chi_k(\gamma_2)$$

But this is a redundant parametrization.

$$k \quad k+g \quad g \in \Gamma^\vee$$

$$\text{then } \chi_k = \chi_{k+g}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_{k+g}(\gamma) &= \exp[2\pi i (k \cdot \gamma + g \cdot \gamma)] \\ &= \chi_k(\gamma) \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\text{P.D.}(\Gamma) \cong \mathbb{R}^d / \overline{\Gamma} \cong \mathbb{U}(1)^d$$

$$\chi_{\bar{k}}(\gamma) = \exp(2\pi i \bar{k} \cdot \gamma)$$

where \bar{k} is any lift of k to \mathbb{R}^d .

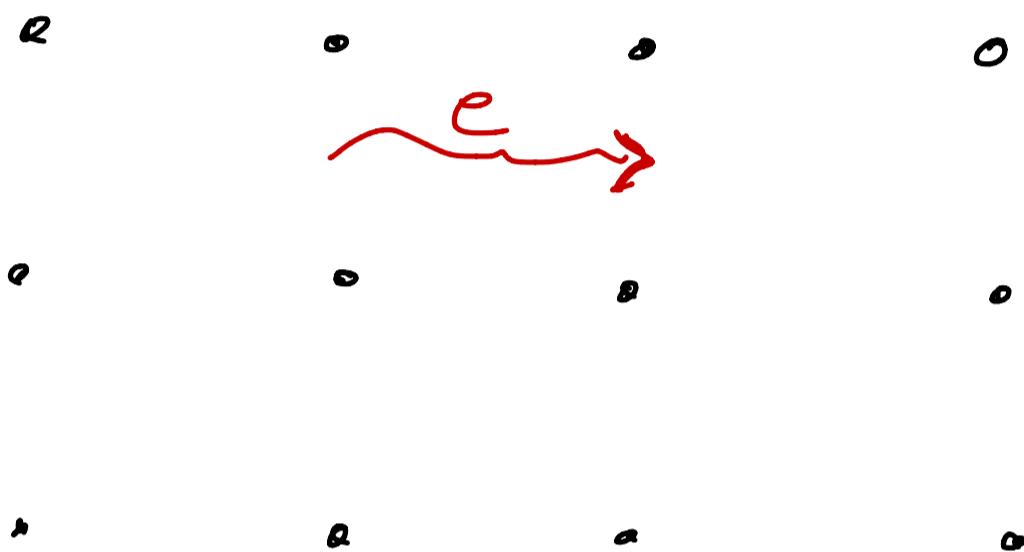
$$\text{P.D.}(\mathbb{R}^d / \Gamma) \cong \Gamma$$

$$\chi_\gamma(\bar{k}) = \exp(2\pi i \bar{k} \cdot \gamma)$$

Block's theorem in cond. matter physics.

Electrons moving in a crystal -

Regular array of charged atoms
 $C \subset \mathbb{E}^d$ invariant under
translation by a lattice $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{R}^d$.



Reduce the Schrödinger problem
of electrons in the crystal to that
of a single electron moving
through array of charged atoms.

$$\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_x^2 + \bar{U}(x) \right) = H$$

e.g. $\bar{U}(x) = \sum_{i \in C} \frac{-Z_i e}{|x - x_i|}$

$$U(x+\delta) = U(x) \quad \delta \in \Gamma$$

So Γ commutes with H .

In this case can construct

the translation operators $T(\delta)$ act on \mathcal{H} .

So

$$\Gamma \xrightarrow{\text{act on } \mathcal{H}} U(1) \xrightarrow{\text{act on } \mathcal{H}} U(1/\mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\text{act on } \mathcal{H}} \Gamma \rightarrow 0$$

acts on Hilbert

Abelian group $\cong \Gamma$ commuting with H .

of H

So: Eigenspaces \mathcal{H} decompose into irreducible reps of Γ , those are 1-dim.

Labeled by $PD(\Gamma) = \mathbb{R}^d / \Gamma^r$

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$[T(\delta), H] = 0$. "Brillouin torus."

$$H\psi = E\psi$$

Then $\psi(x) = e^{ik \cdot x} \underbrace{u_k(x)}$

$\frac{k}{2\pi} \in \Gamma^V$ = dual lattice periodic under Γ

Solid state physics $2\pi\Gamma^V$ = "reciprocal lattice"

$u_k(x)$ periodic $x \rightarrow x + \gamma$
descend to functions on

\mathbb{R}^d / Γ compact torus.

Spectrum for a fixed k

$$e^{-ik \cdot x} H e^{ik \cdot x} = \text{diff'l op acting}$$

\parallel

$$\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_x^2 + U(x) \right)$$

periodic

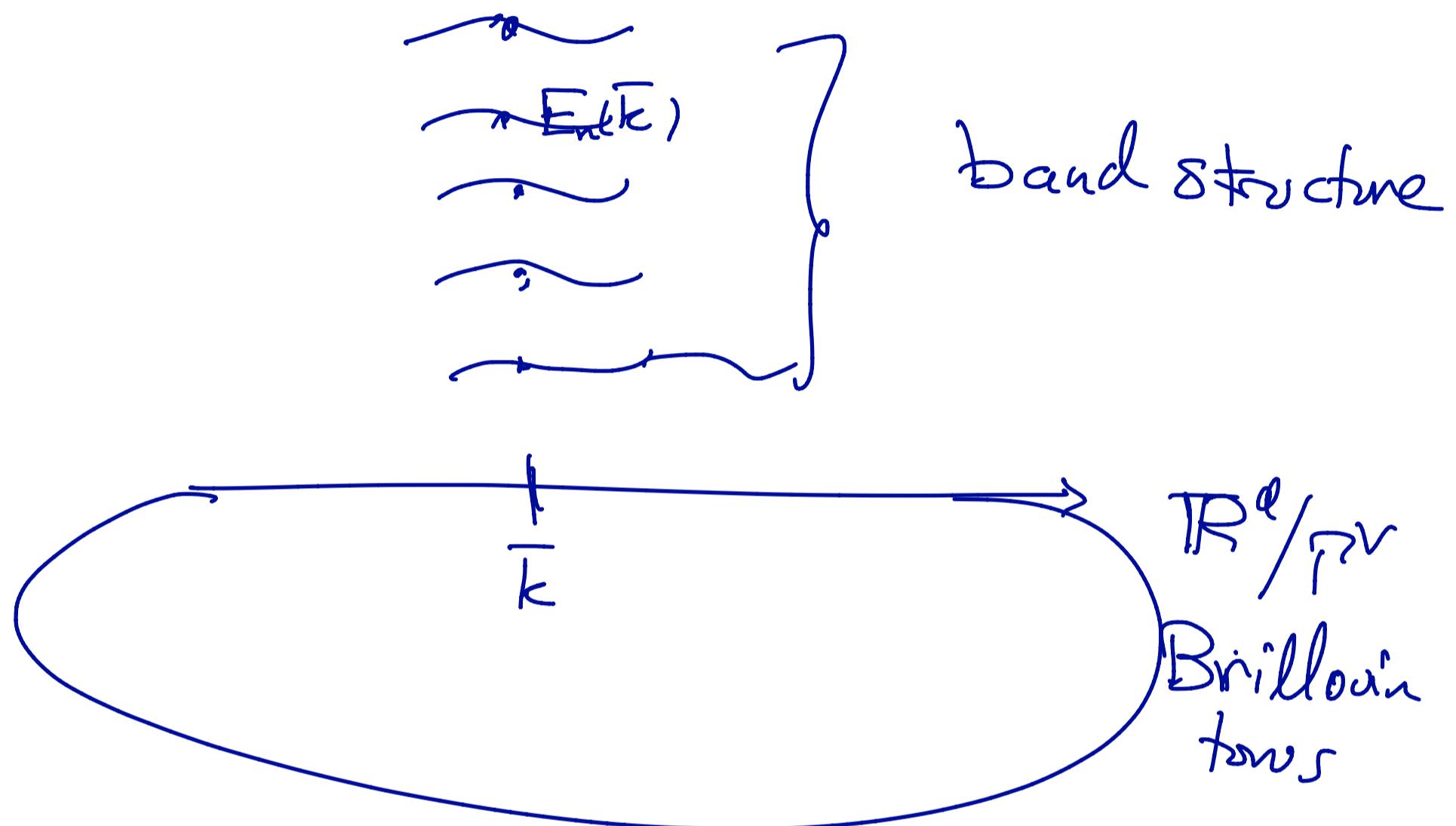
$\rightarrow H_k$

on functions on $T^d = \mathbb{R}^d / \Gamma$, but it depends on k

H_k is an operator on functions

on T^d/\mathbb{P} = compact space

\therefore has a discrete eigen spectrum.



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