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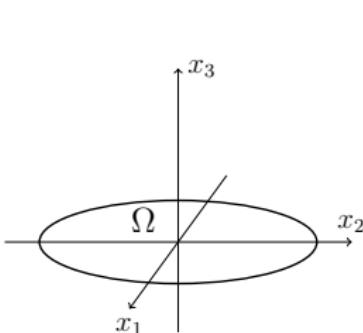
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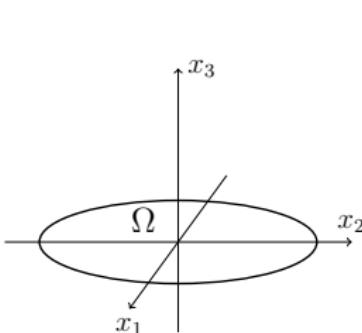


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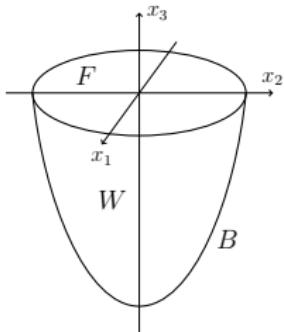
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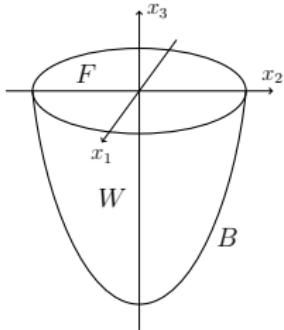
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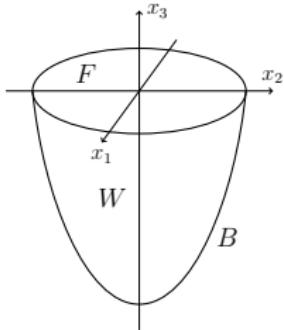
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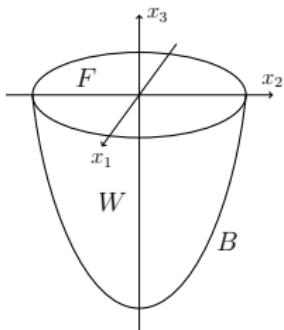
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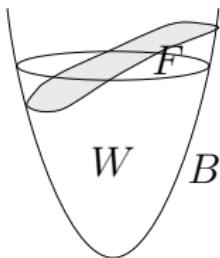
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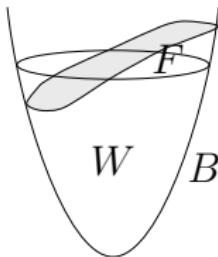
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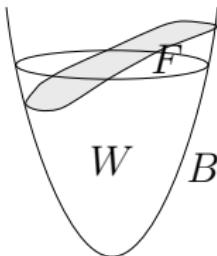


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Low eigenvalues of fractional Dirichlet Laplacian ($0 < \alpha < 2$)

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First and second eigenvalue (Rayleigh–Faber–Krahn)

$\lambda_1 A^{\alpha/2}$ minimal for disk (Bañuelos 2001)

$\lambda_2 A^{\alpha/2}$ minimal for two disks infinitely far apart (Brasco–Parini 2016)

Ratio of eigenvalues (PPW) — universal inequality

λ_2/λ_1 maximal for disk?

[conjecture Bañuelos–Kulczycki 2006]

Or, *non-sharp* bound $\lambda_2/\lambda_1 \leq \text{const.}$ by simple trial functions?

Other universal inequalities of Hongcang Yang type?

Pólya and Berezin–Li–Yau problems

$\lambda_k > (C_{\text{Weyl}} k/A)^{\alpha/2}$?

[False when $d = 1$ by KKMS asymptotic on interval. (Counter-e.g. in $d = 2??$)

Must not contradict Laptev 1997: $\sum_1^n \lambda_k > (C_{\text{Weyl}}/A)^{\alpha/2} n^{1+\alpha/2}/(1 + \alpha/2)$.]

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Gap problem (van den Berg–Andrews–Clutterbuck)

$(\lambda_2 - \lambda_1)D^\alpha$ minimal for degenerate rectangle?

[$\alpha = 1$: rough bound by Bañuelos–Kulczycki 2006]

Second eigenvalue

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(Problem 3/4G)

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