

*Weyl's Laplacian eigenvalue asymptotics  
for the measurable Riemannian structure  
on the Sierpiński gasket*

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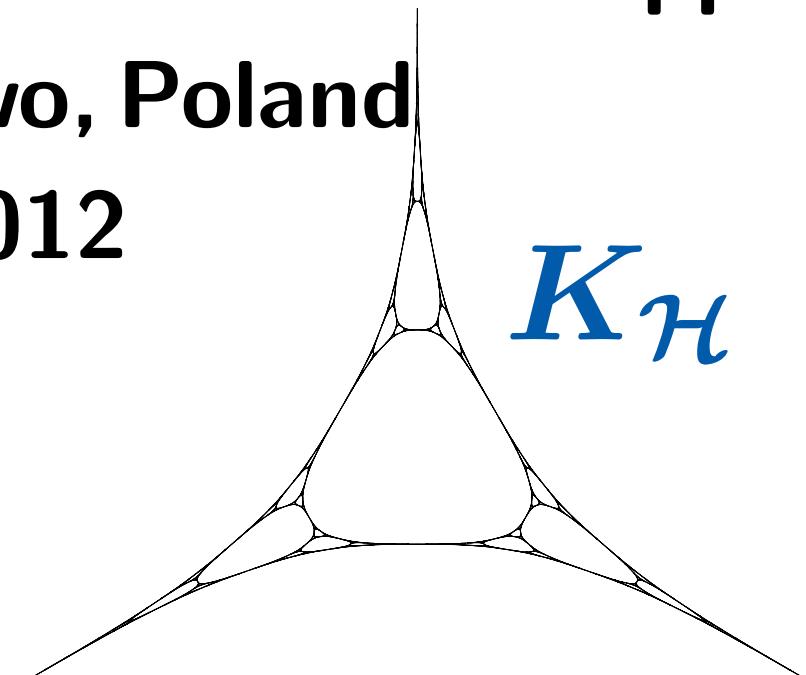
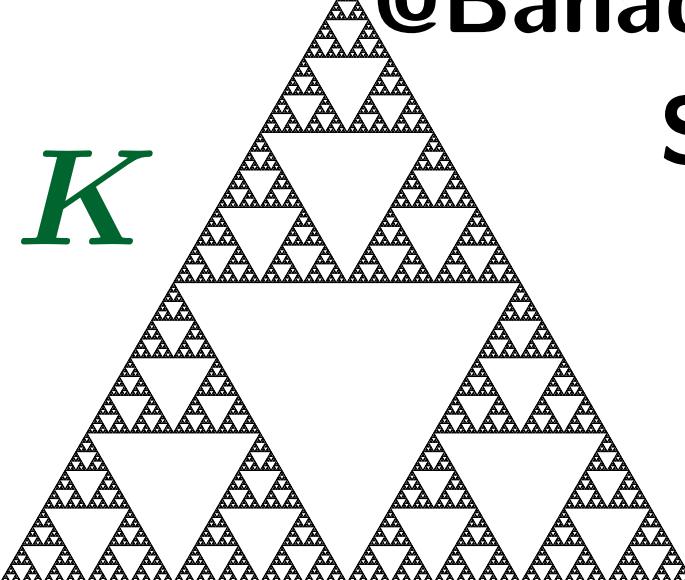
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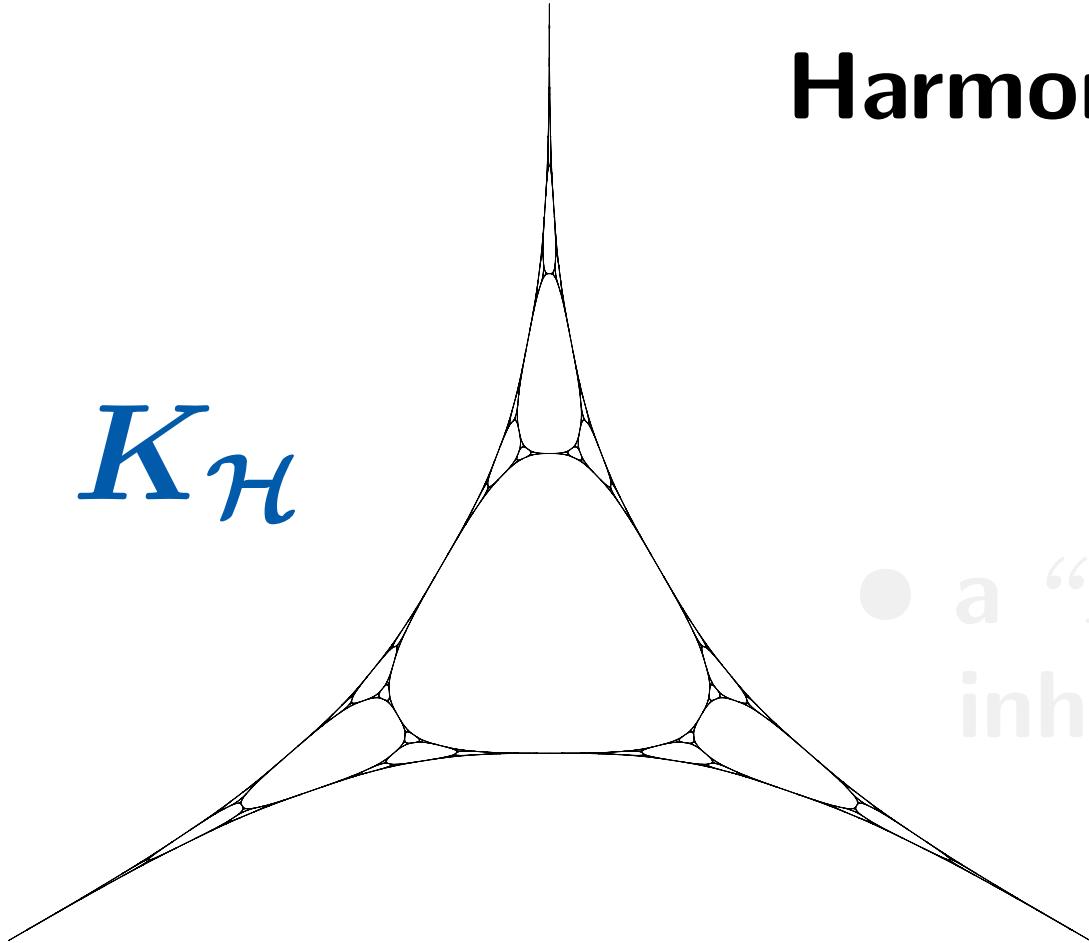
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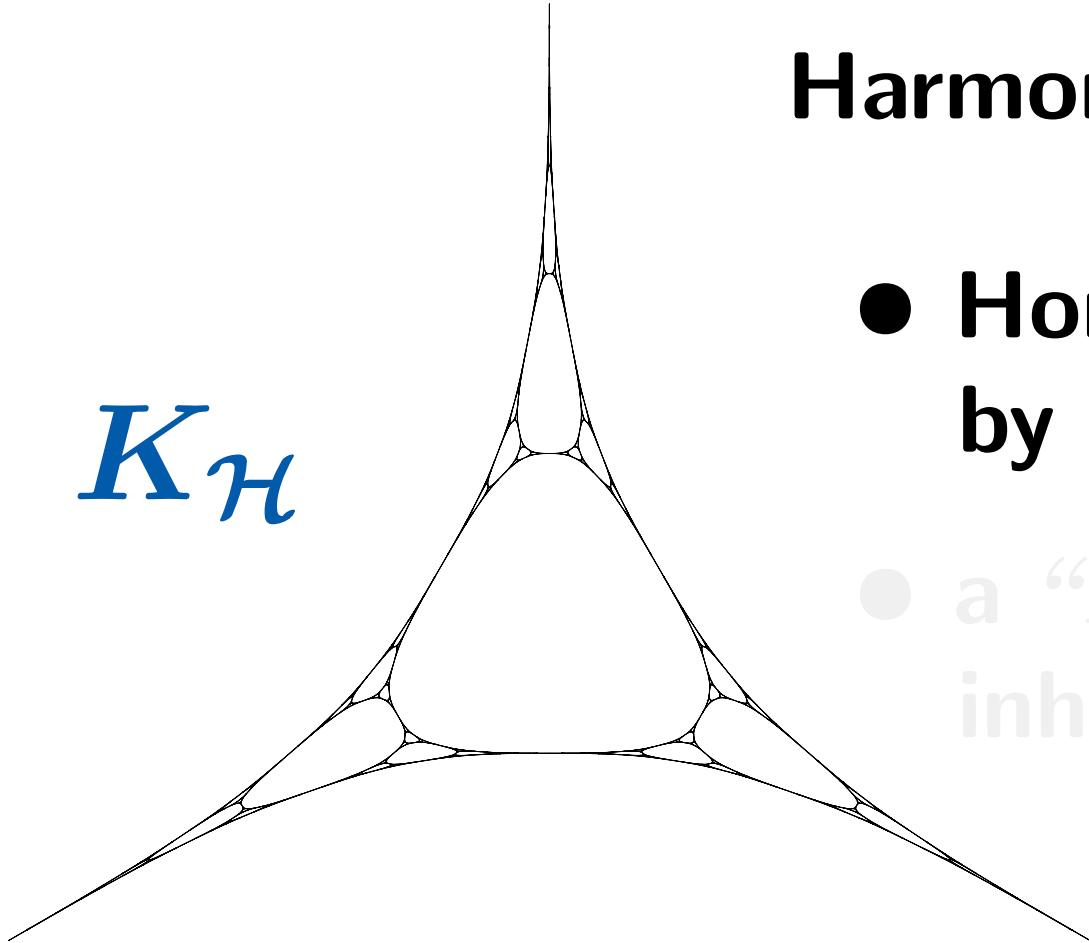


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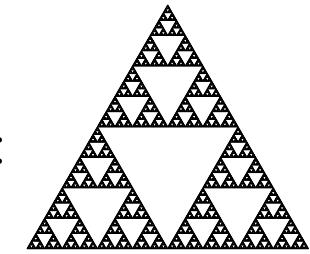
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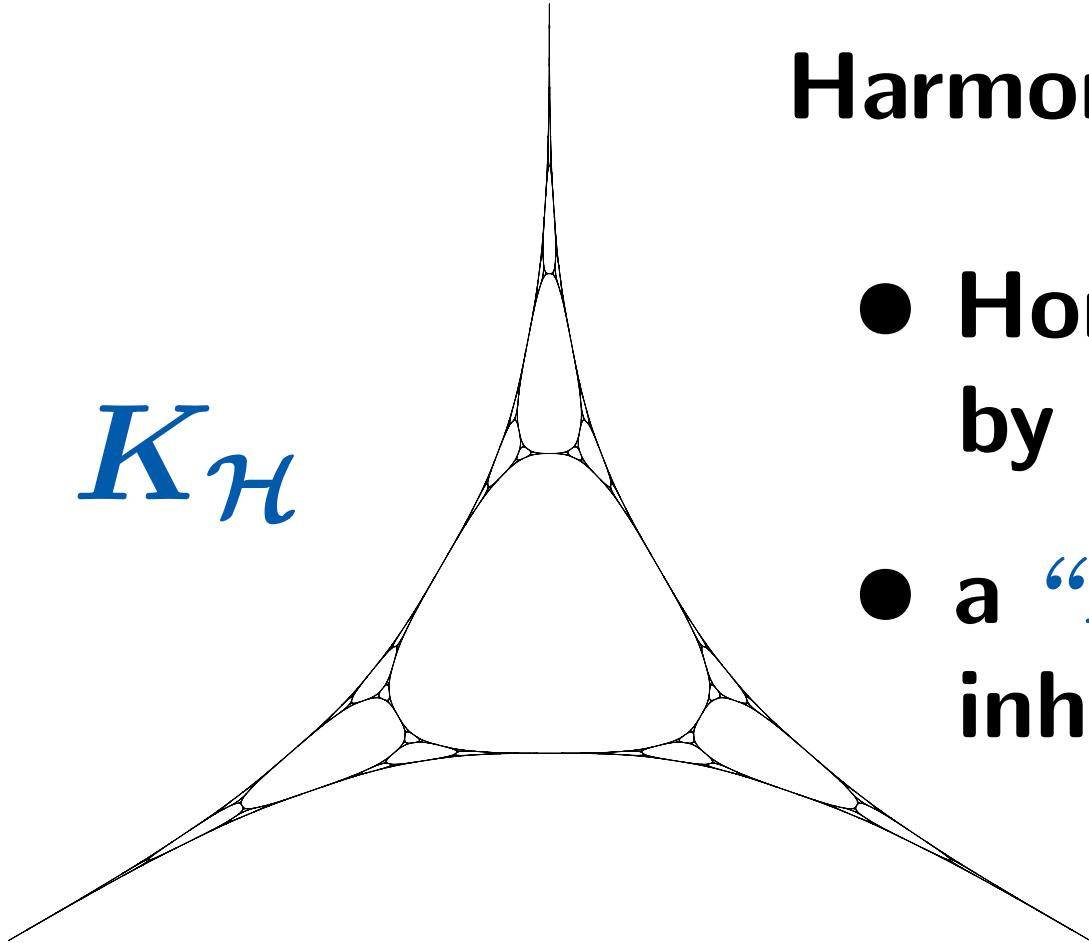
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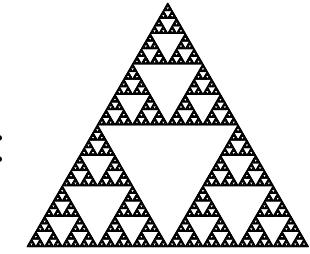
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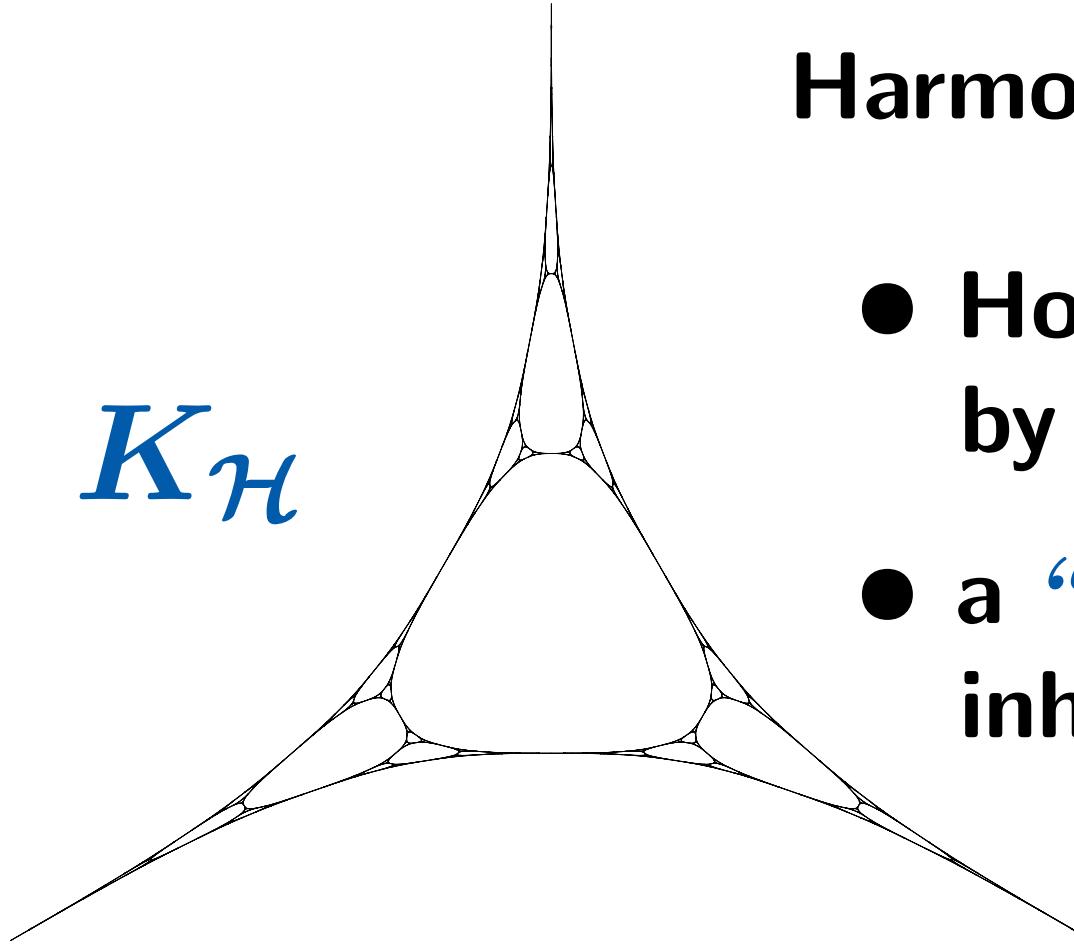
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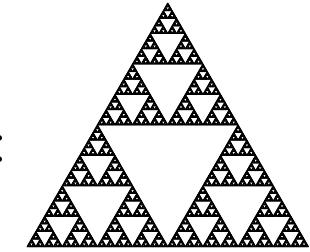
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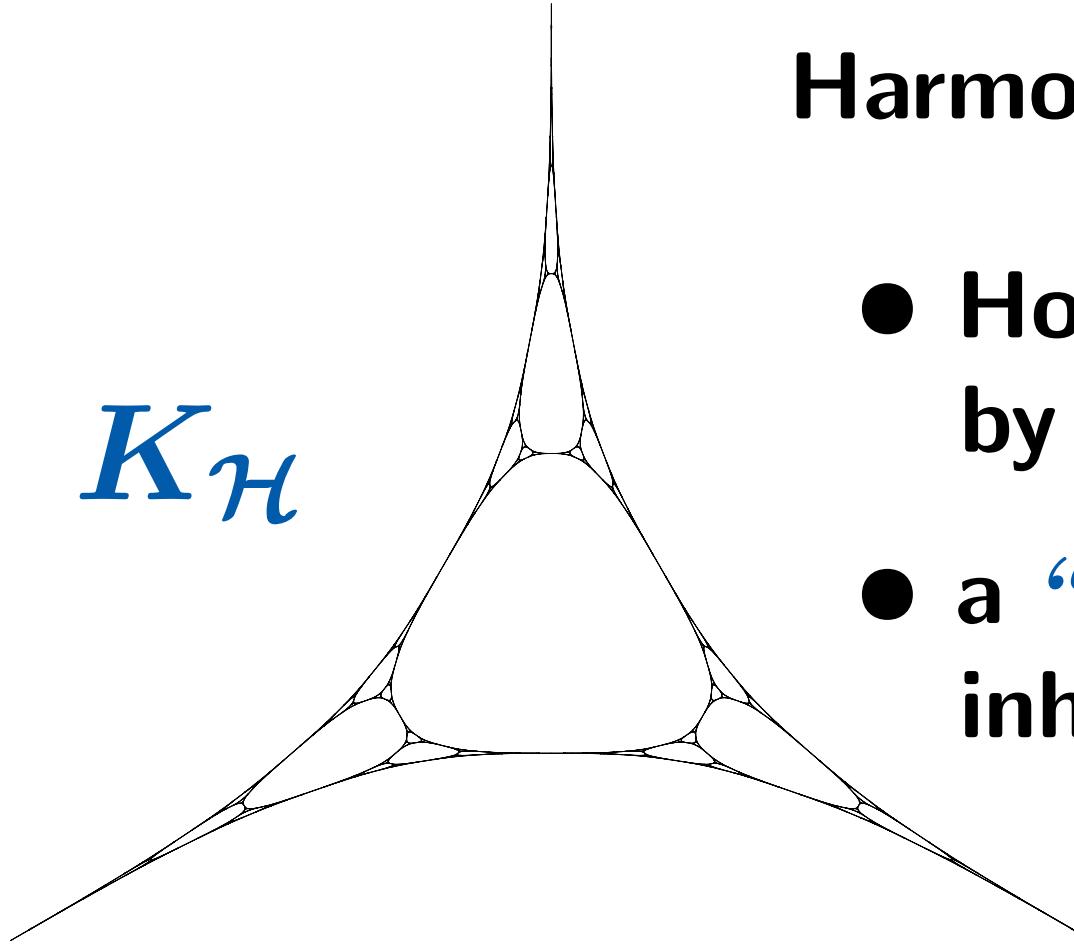


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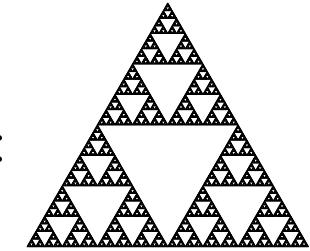
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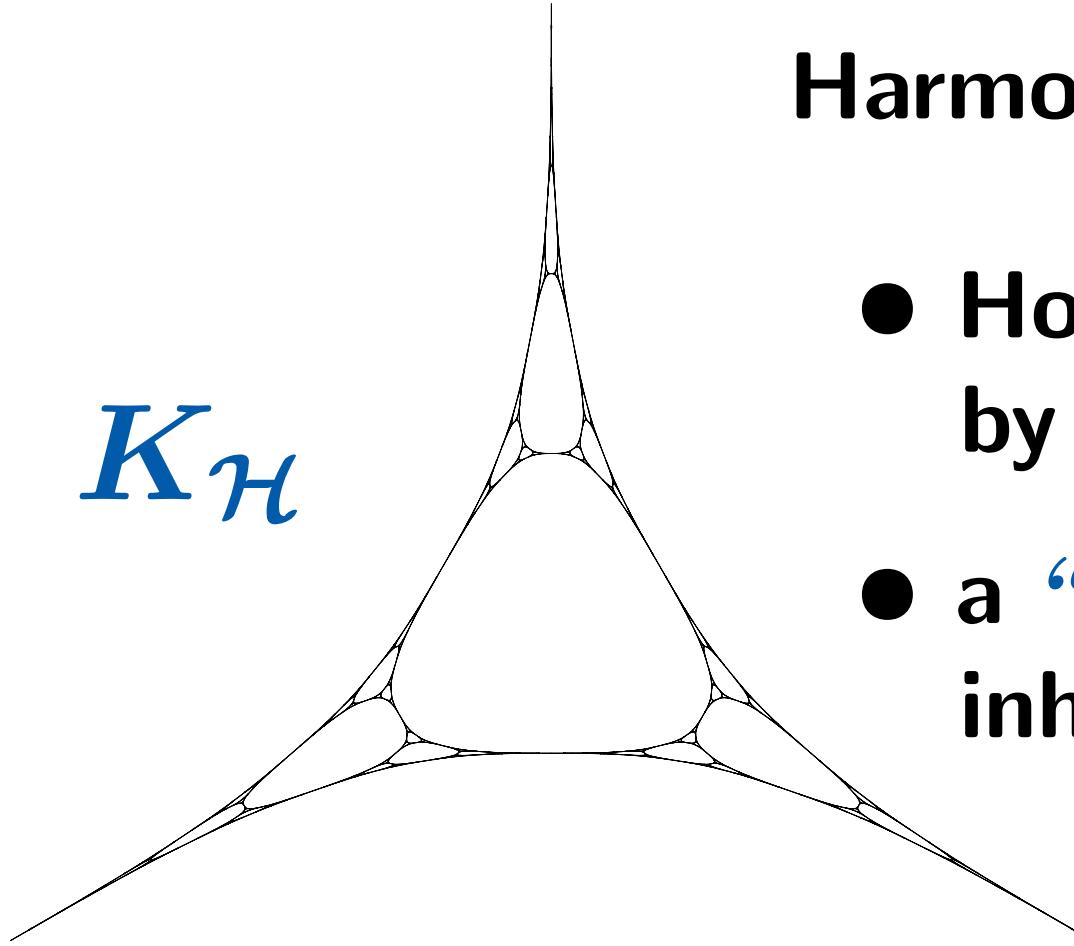
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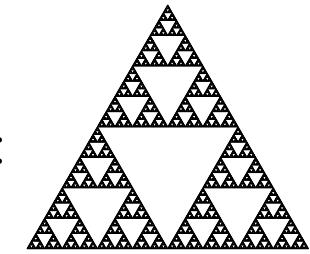
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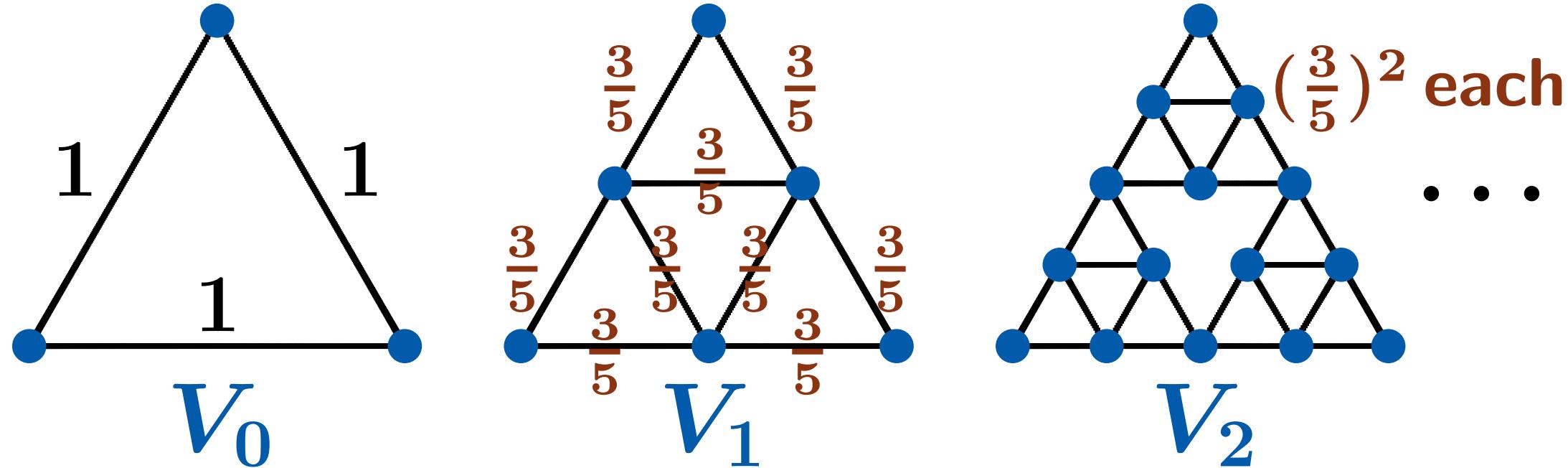
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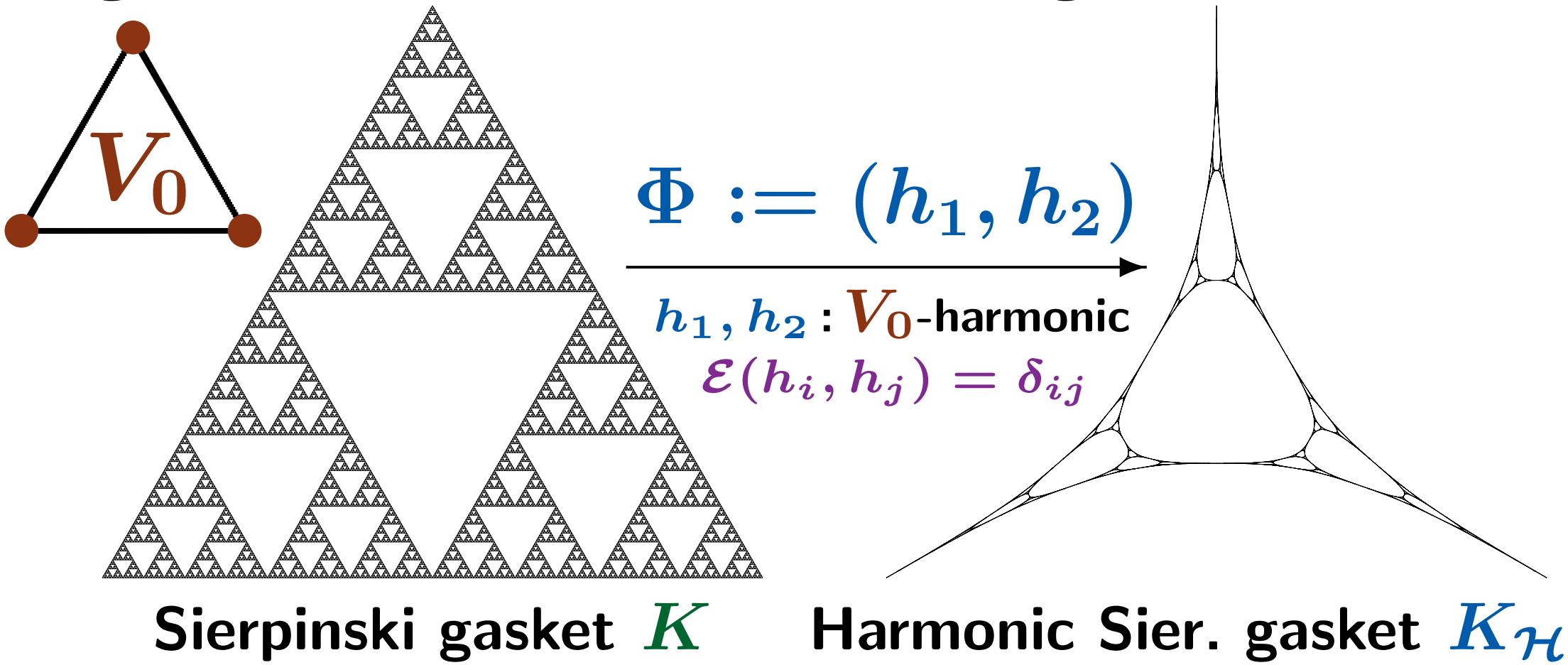


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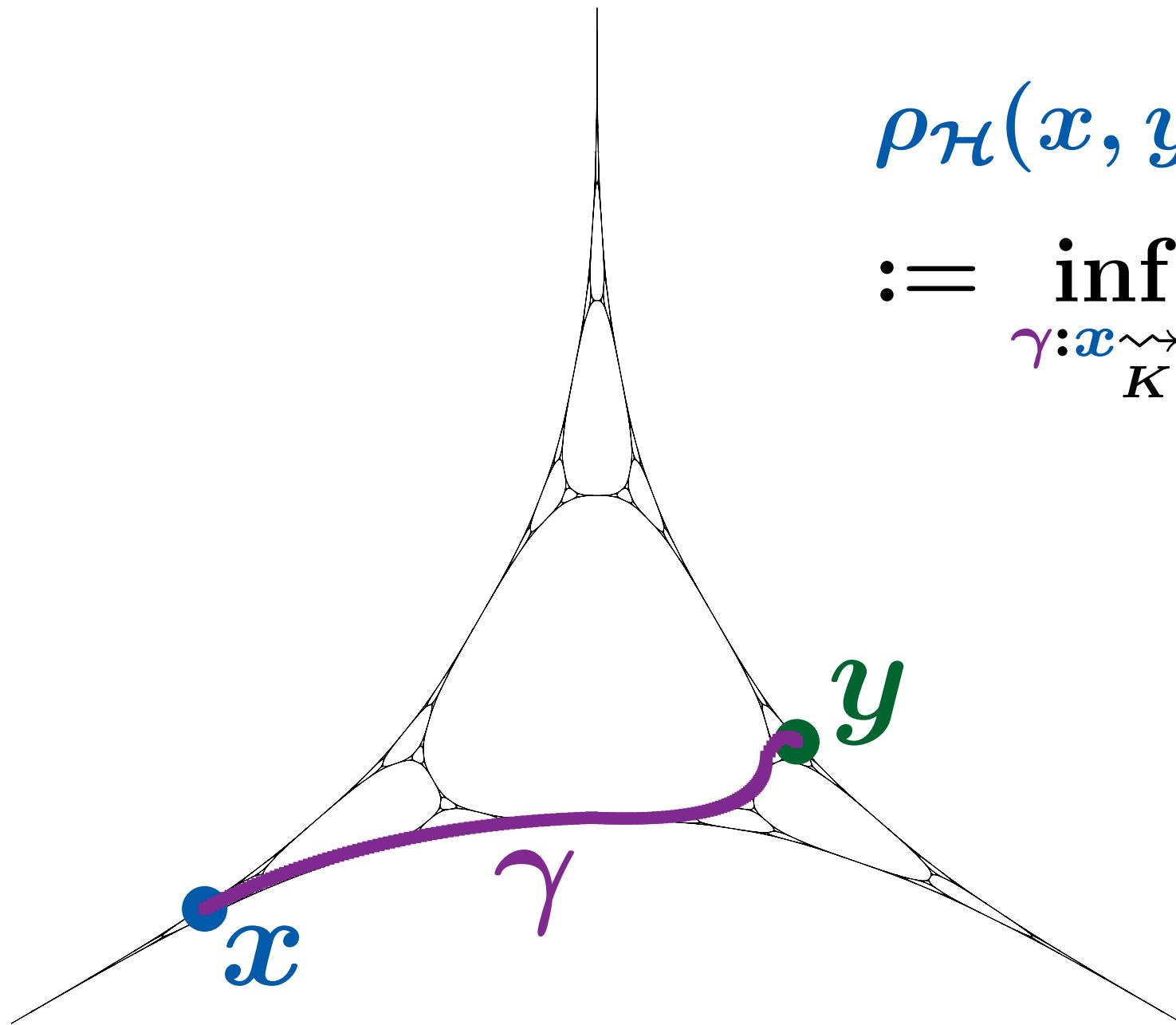
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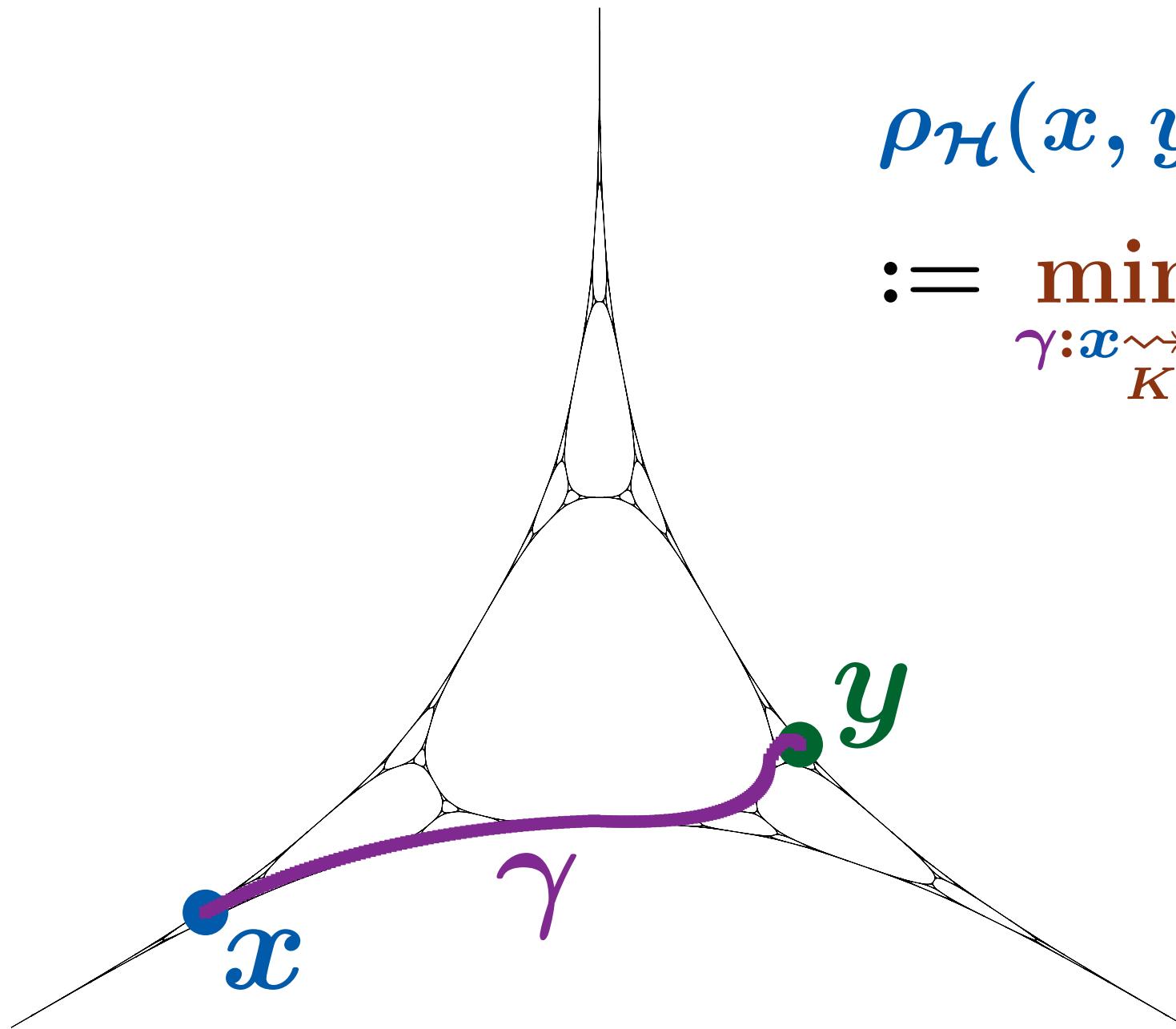


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$$p_t^{\mathcal{H}}(x, y) \asymp \frac{c_1}{\mu(B_{\sqrt{t}}(x, \rho_{\mathcal{H}}))} \exp\left(-\frac{\rho_{\mathcal{H}}(x, y)^2}{c_2 t}\right).$$

**Thm (K. '12).** For any  $x, y \in K$ ,

$$\rho_{\mathcal{H}}(x, y) = \sup\{u(x) - u(y) \mid u \in \mathcal{F}, \mu_{\langle u \rangle} \leq \mu\}.$$

**Cor (Thm + Ramírez '01).** For any  $x, y \in K$ ,

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**Q.** How are  $\mu = \mu_{\langle h_1 \rangle} + \mu_{\langle h_2 \rangle}$  and  $\mathcal{H}_{\rho_{\mathcal{H}}}^d$  related?

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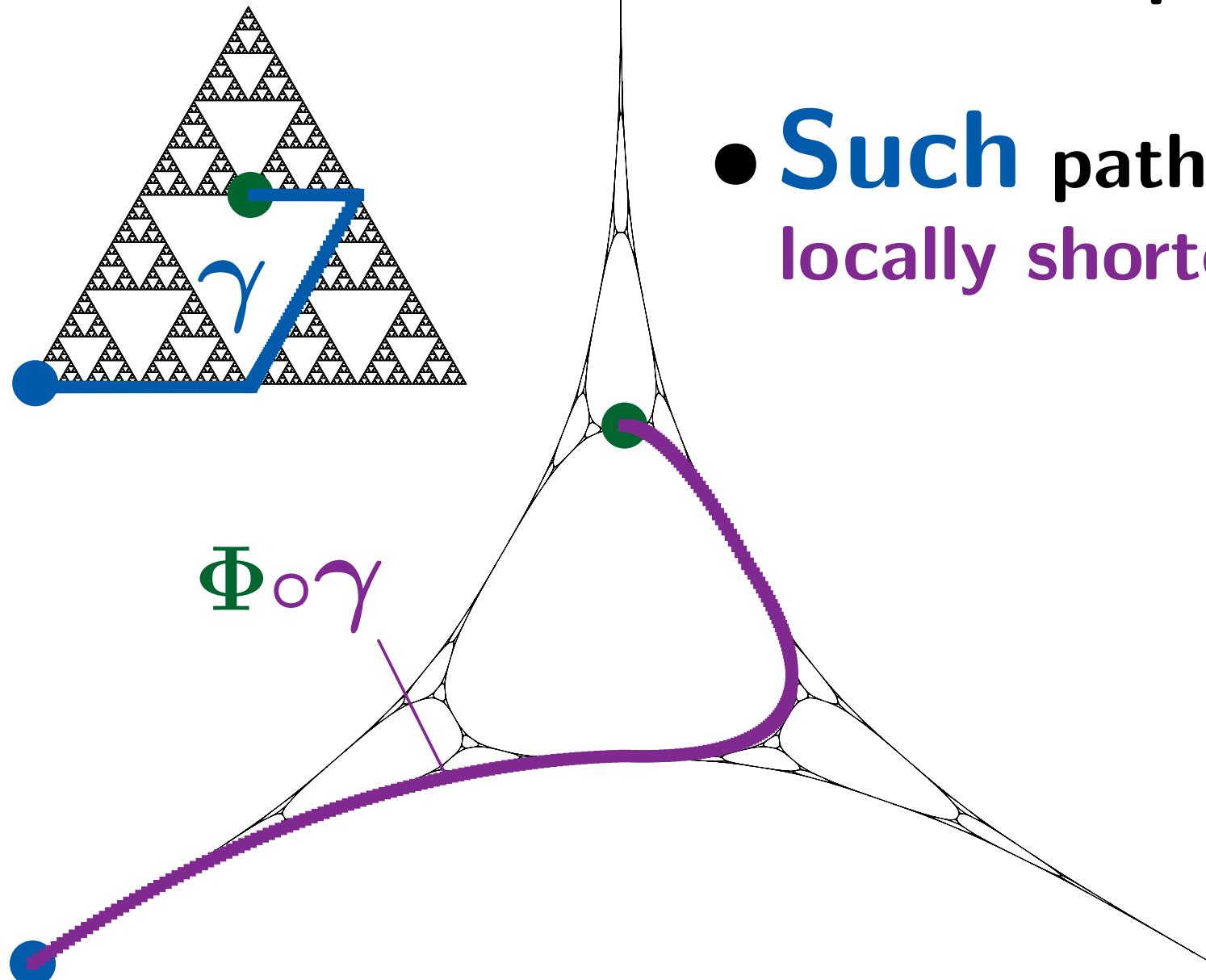
**Proof.** To follow Kigami-Lapidus' method, we use Kesten's renewal thm for Markov chains [Ann. Prob. '74].

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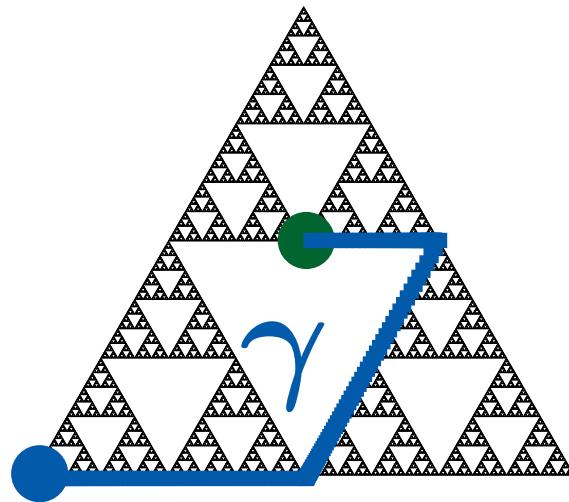


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- **CD( $k, N$ )** (Sturm '06', Lott-Villani '07, '09) fails.
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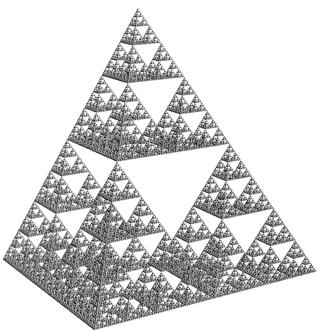
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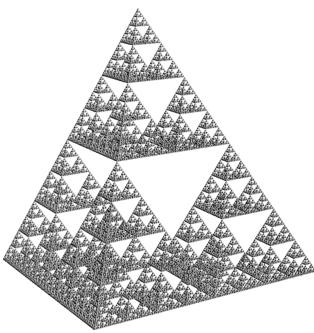
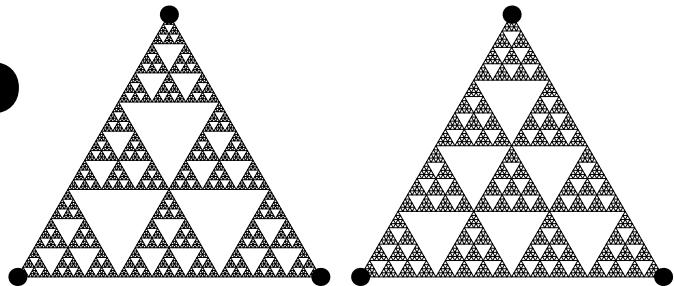
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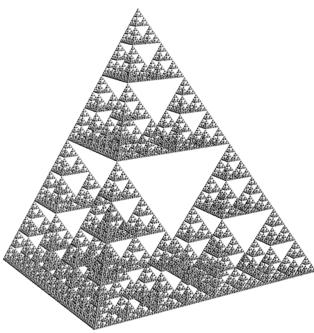
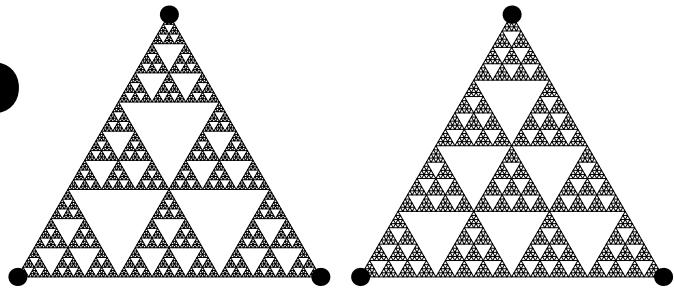
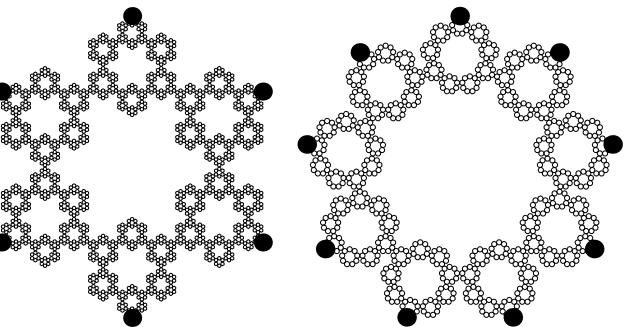


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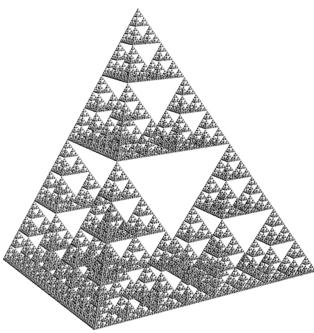
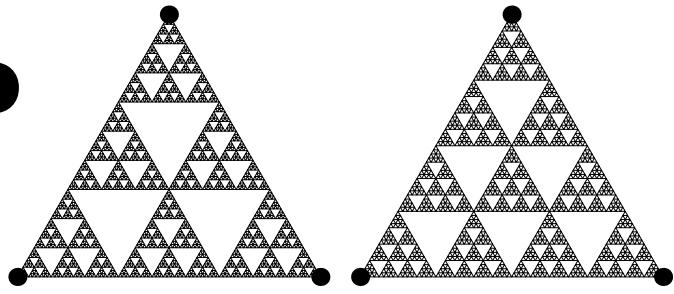
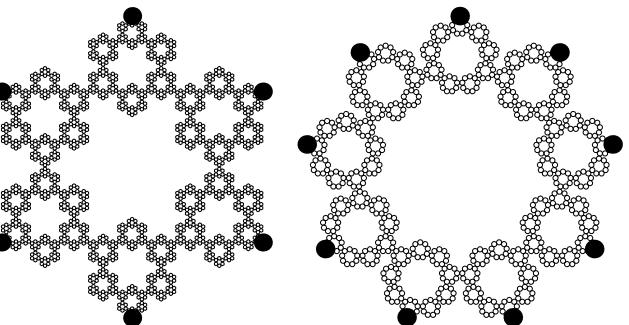
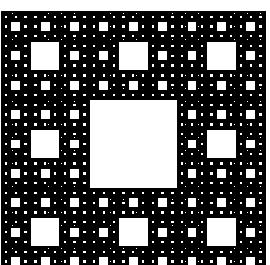
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