

Toeplitz operators and asymptotic torsion

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- Example:
 $X = S^1, F = \mathbf{C}, \nabla^F = dx \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \alpha \right), \alpha \in \mathbf{C} \setminus 2i\pi\mathbf{Z}$.

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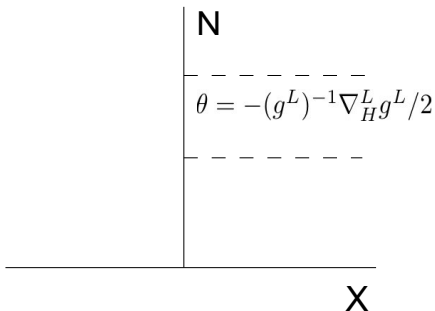
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