

Stationary random entire functions and related questions

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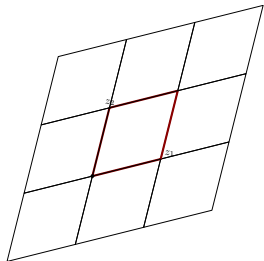
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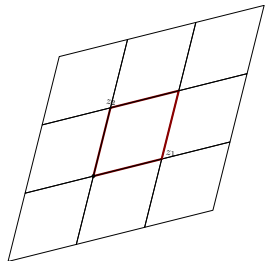
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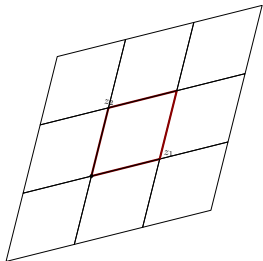


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- If there was, then for every n , $\rho(0, e^z) = \rho(0, e^{z-1}) = \rho(0, e^{z-n})$ implying that

$$0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(0, e^{z-n}) = \rho(0, e^z) \\ \Rightarrow e^z = 0.$$

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$$R \mapsto M_F(R) := \max_{|z|=R} |F(z)|, R \nearrow \infty?$$

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- To have a non-trivial limiting measure, the underlying function, f , has to be “self similar”.

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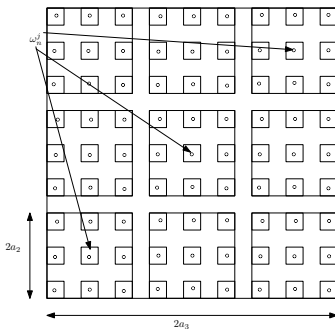
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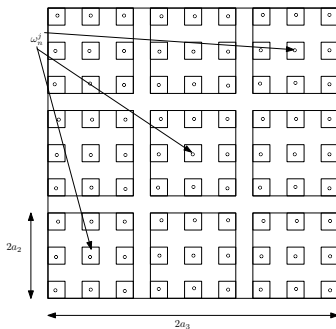
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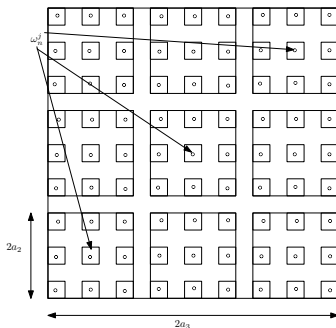
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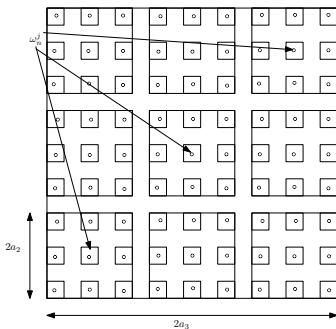
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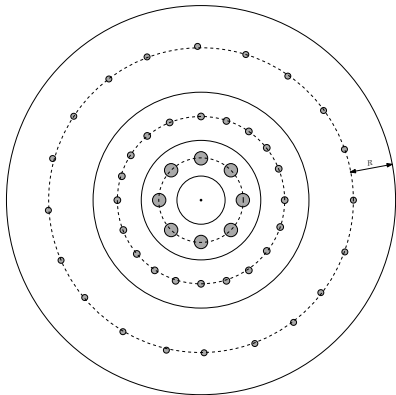
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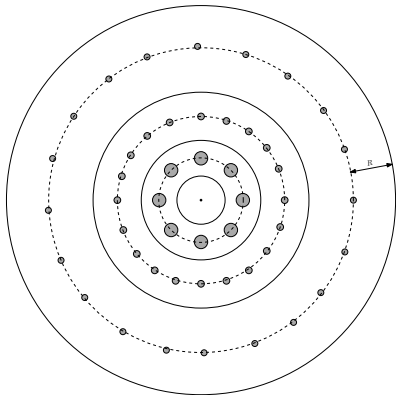
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Implying that

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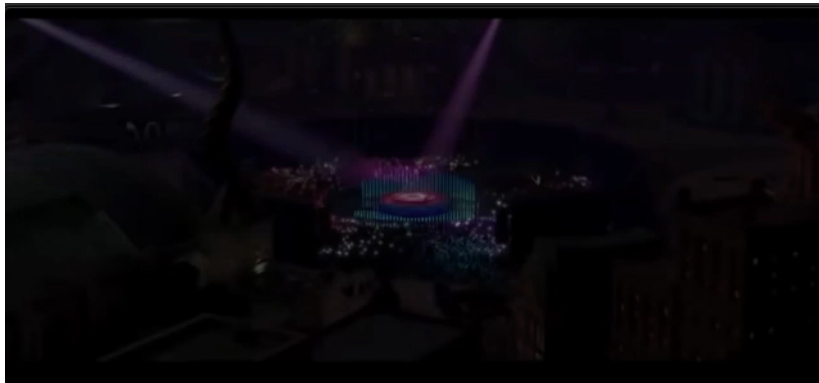
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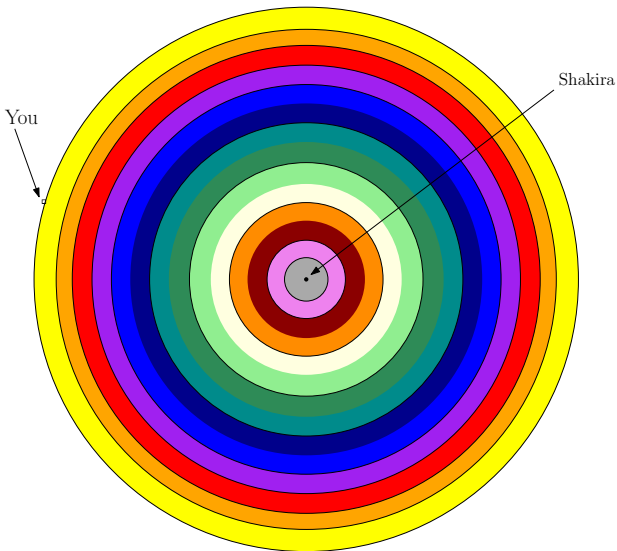


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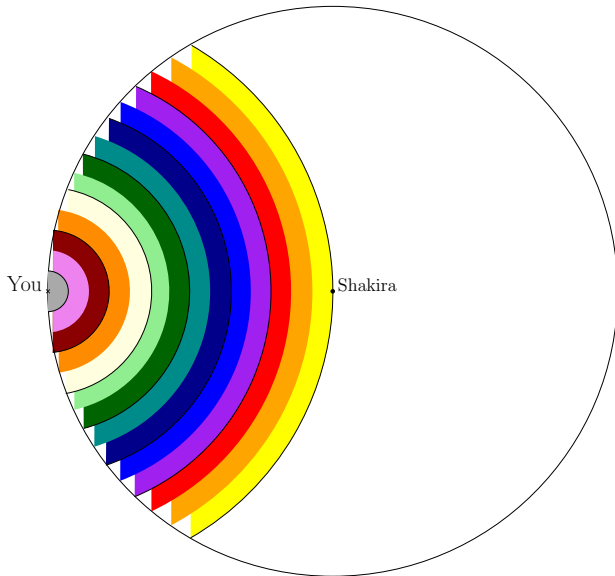


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The upper bound- dependence of $\sim \sqrt{-\mathcal{K}_{d-2}(\varepsilon)}$ layers



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Why is that true (For the experts- scratching that itch...)

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The theorem above holds for every function $f(t) = t^\alpha \cdot g(t)$ with g a slowly varying function, with

$$\varphi_f(R) := \frac{R}{1 + \left(\frac{f(R)}{R}\right)^{\frac{1}{d-1}}} \log^{\frac{d}{d-1}} \left(2 + \frac{f(R)}{R}\right),$$

if either $\alpha < d$ or $\alpha = d$ and g is monotone non-increasing.

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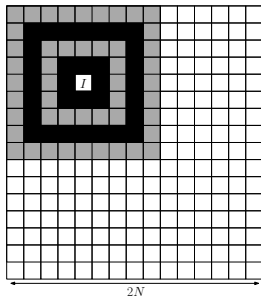
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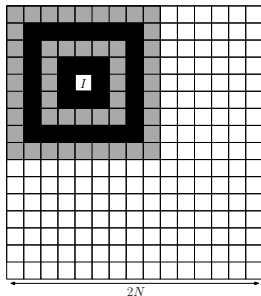
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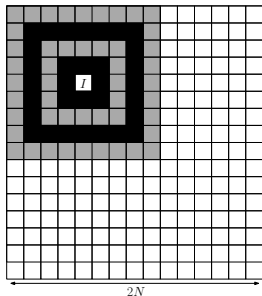


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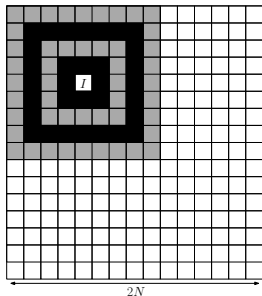


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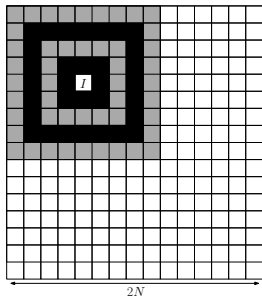


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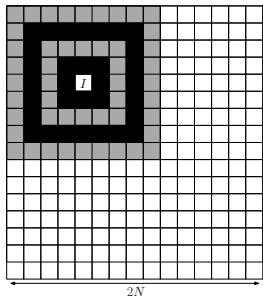


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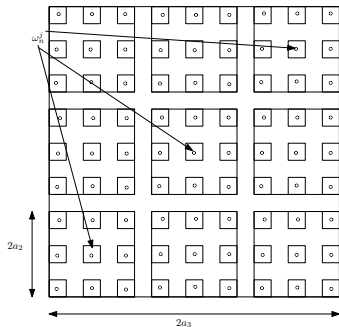
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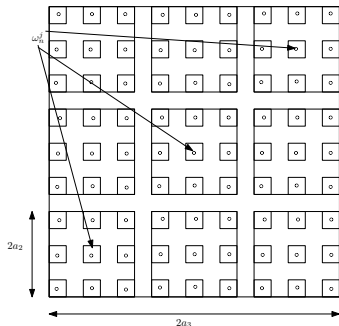
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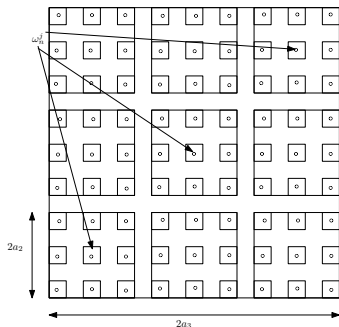


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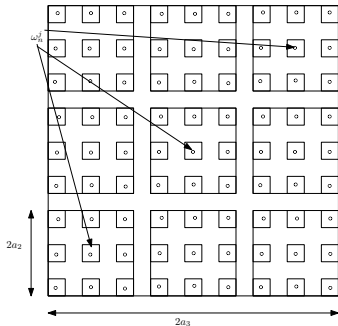


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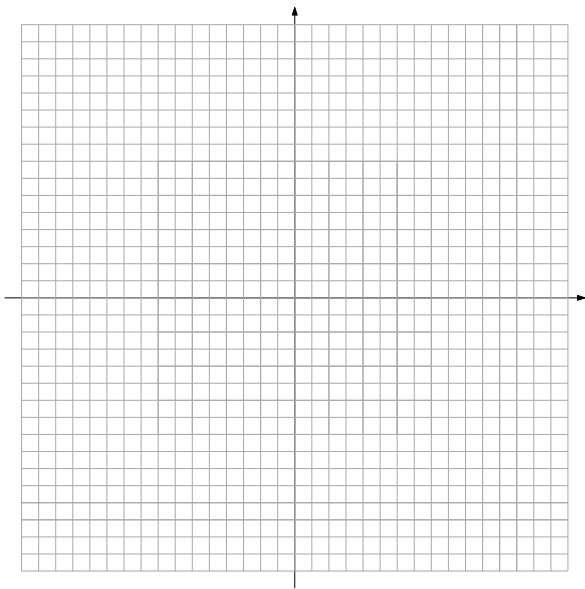
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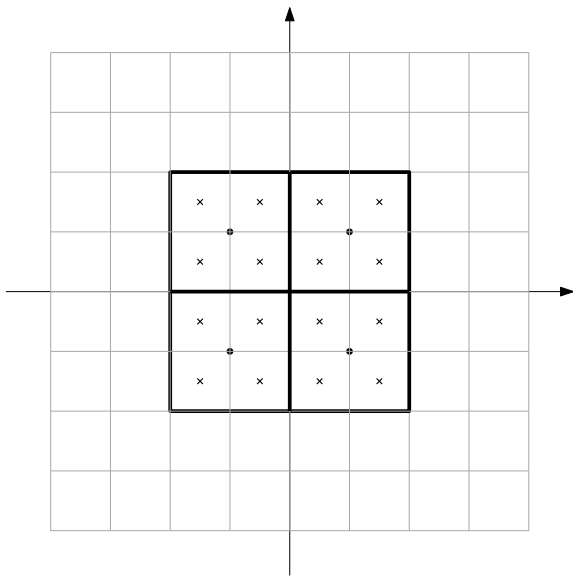
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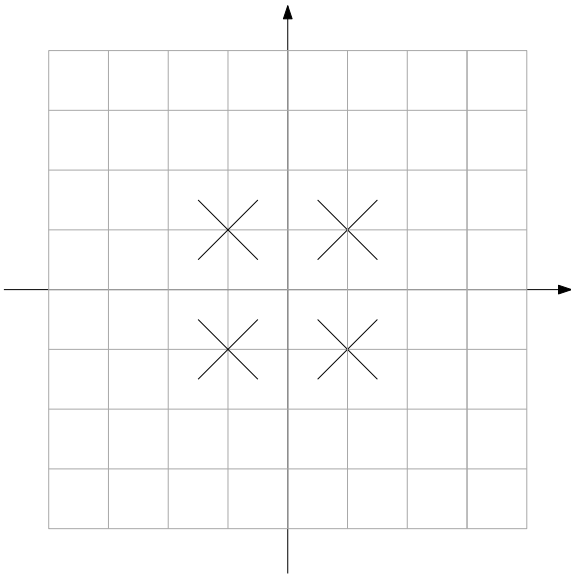
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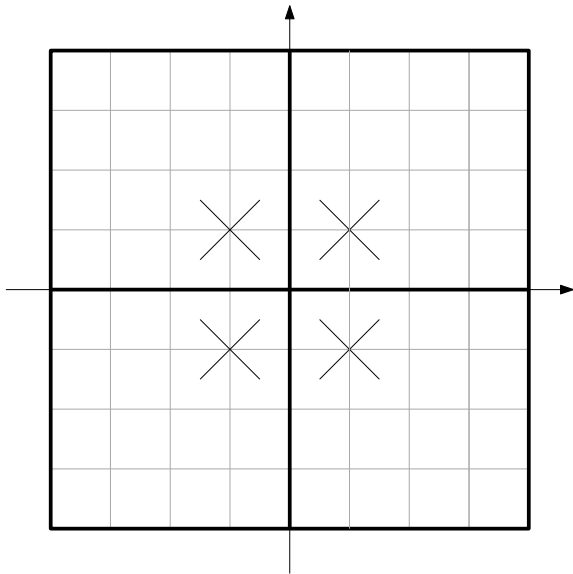
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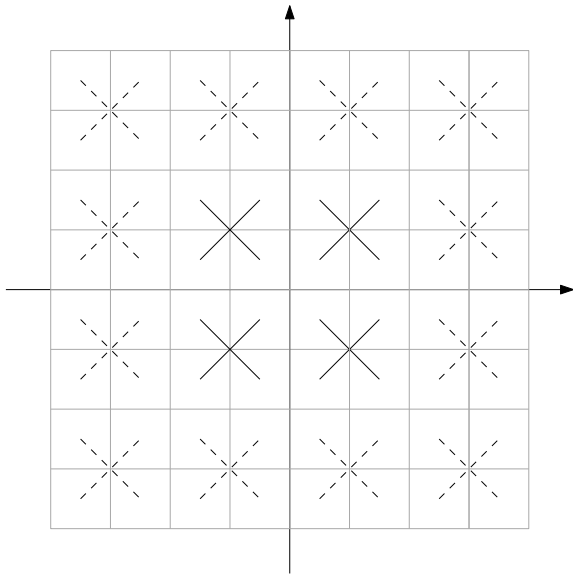
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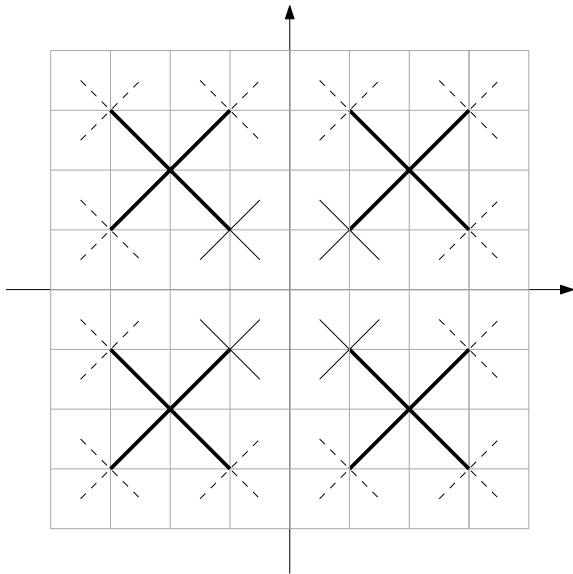


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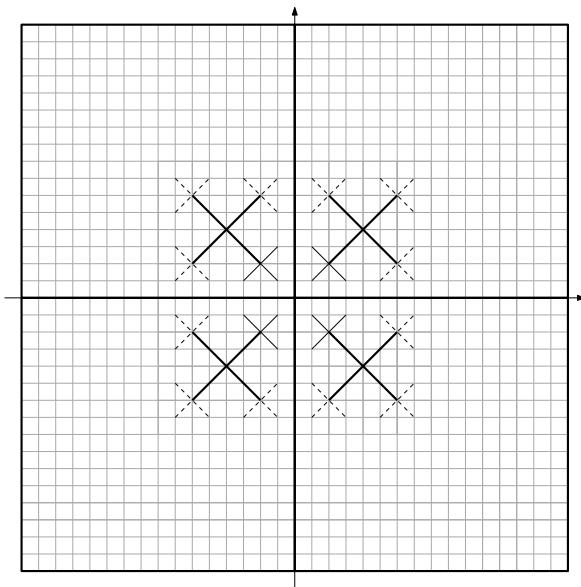


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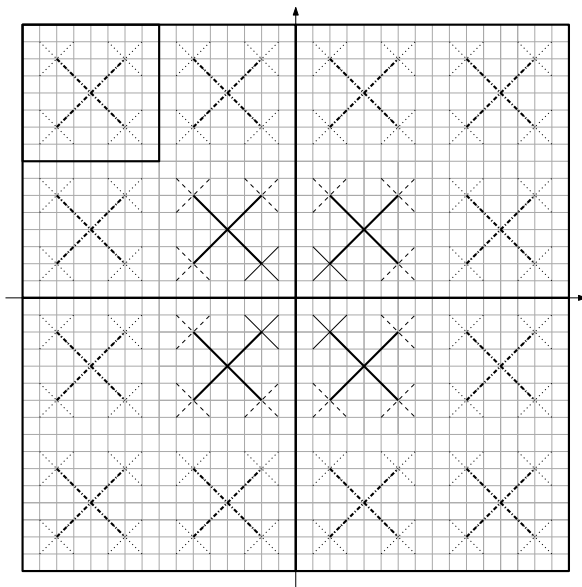


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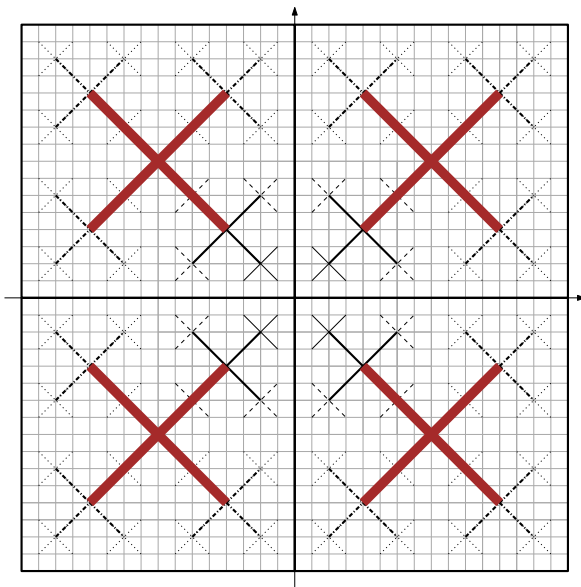


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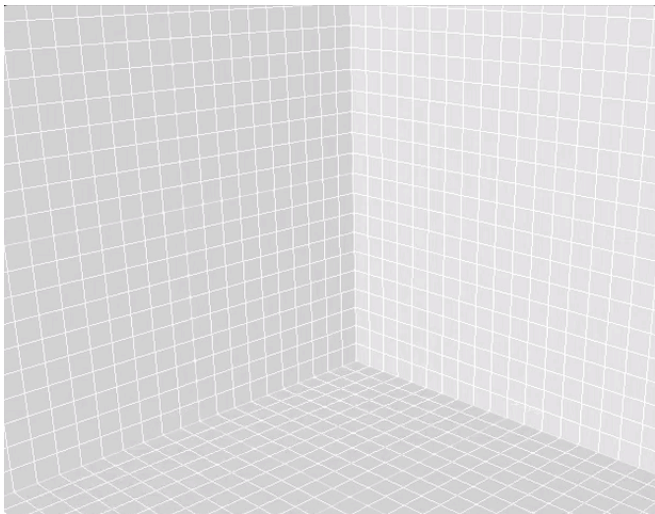
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Example: $d=2$



Example: $d=3$



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