

# Slaloms, cardinal invariants, and selection principles

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**Slaloms historically**

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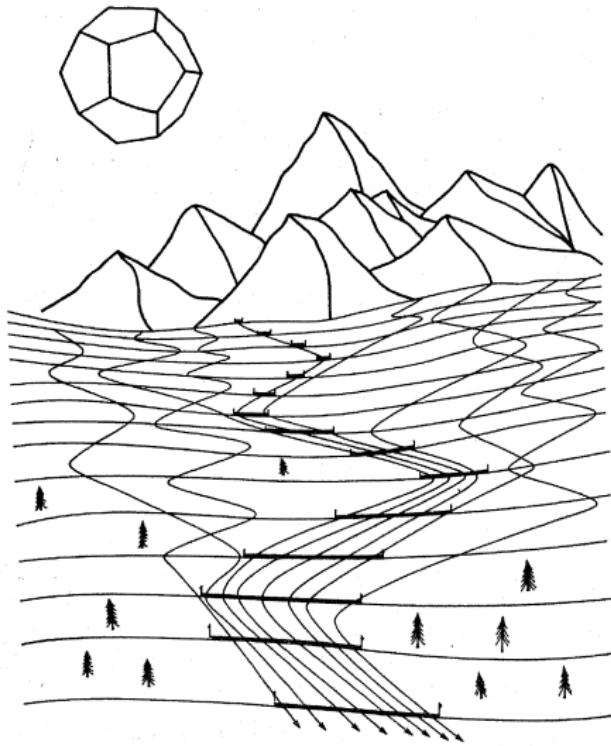
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## A (standard) slalom

A sequence of finite sets with cardinality of the  $n$ -th term being at most  $n$ .

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## **Selection principles**

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### Definition (M. Scheepers 1996)

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$$(\forall n \in \omega) x \in^* V_{n,m}$$

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A sequence of sets of natural numbers.

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## **General framework**

$$\boxed{\mathfrak{sl}_e(E,J)=\mathfrak{d}({}^\omega\omega,E,\in^{J^+}) \text{ and } \mathfrak{sl}_t(E,J)=\mathfrak{d}({}^\omega\omega,E,\in^{J^d})}$$

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If  $E$  is a family of functions with domain  $\omega$  then

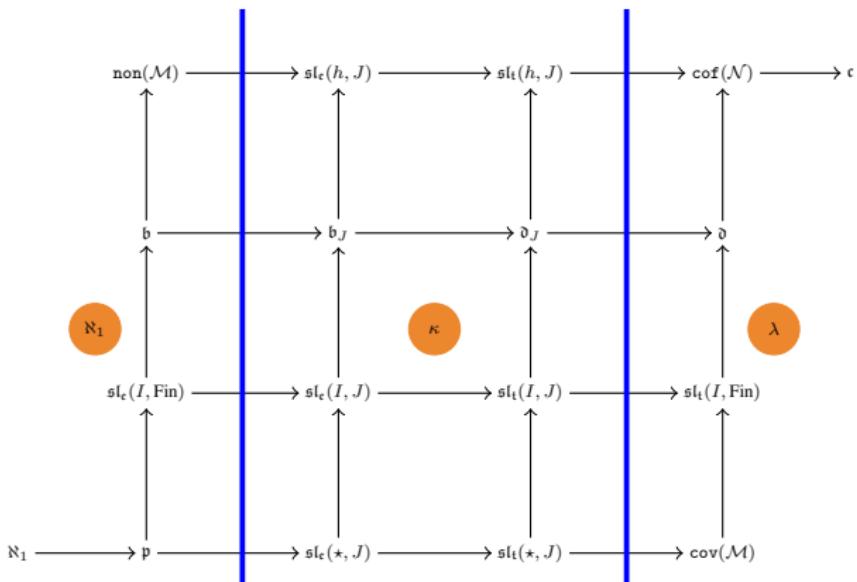
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$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
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\mathfrak{b} & \longrightarrow & \mathfrak{b}_J & \longrightarrow & \mathfrak{d}_J & \longrightarrow & \mathfrak{d} \\
\uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
\mathfrak{sl}_{\mathfrak{e}}(I, \text{Fin}) & \longrightarrow & \mathfrak{sl}_{\mathfrak{e}}(I, J) & \longrightarrow & \mathfrak{sl}_{\mathfrak{t}}(I, J) & \longrightarrow & \mathfrak{sl}_{\mathfrak{t}}(I, \text{Fin}) \\
\uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
\aleph_1 & \longrightarrow & \mathfrak{p} & \longrightarrow & \mathfrak{sl}_{\mathfrak{e}}(\star, J) & \longrightarrow & \mathfrak{sl}_{\mathfrak{t}}(\star, J) \longrightarrow \mathbf{cov}(\mathcal{M})
\end{array}$$

## Theorem

Let  $\lambda = \lambda^{\aleph_0}$  be an infinite cardinal. Then, in  $V^{\mathbb{C}_\lambda}$ , any uncountable regular cardinal  $\kappa$  satisfying  $\lambda^{<\kappa} = \lambda$  is a slalom number of the form  $\text{sl}_e(\star, J) = \text{sl}_t(h, J)$  for some maximal ideal  $J$  on  $\omega$ .



**Disjoint sum of ideals**

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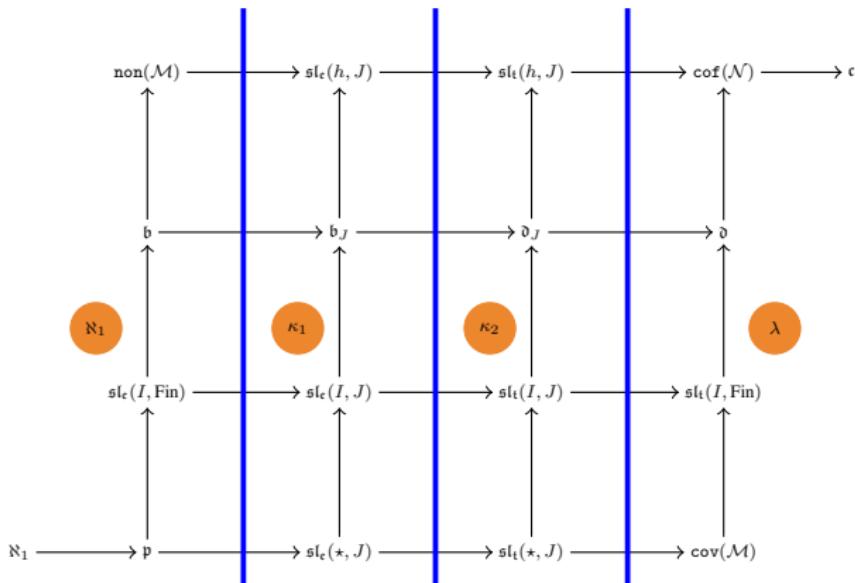
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- (g)  $\mathfrak{sl}_t(h_0 \oplus h_1, J_0 \oplus J_1) = \max\{\mathfrak{sl}_t(h_0, J_0), \mathfrak{sl}_t(h_1, J_1)\}$ .
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## Theorem

Let  $\lambda = \lambda^{\aleph_0}$  be an infinite cardinal. Then, in  $V^{\mathbb{C}_\lambda}$ , for any regular  $\aleph_1 \leq \kappa_1 \leq \kappa_2$ , if  $\lambda^{<\kappa_2} = \lambda$  then there is some ideal  $J$  on  $\omega$  such that

$$\text{sl}_e(\star, J) = \text{sl}_e(h, J) = \kappa_1 \text{ and } \text{sl}_t(\star, J) = \text{sl}_t(h, J) = \kappa_2.$$



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Let  $J \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega)$  be an ideal. If  $c \in {}^\omega\omega$  is Cohen over  $V$ , then  $x \leq^{J'} c$  for all  $x \in {}^\omega\omega \cap V$ ,

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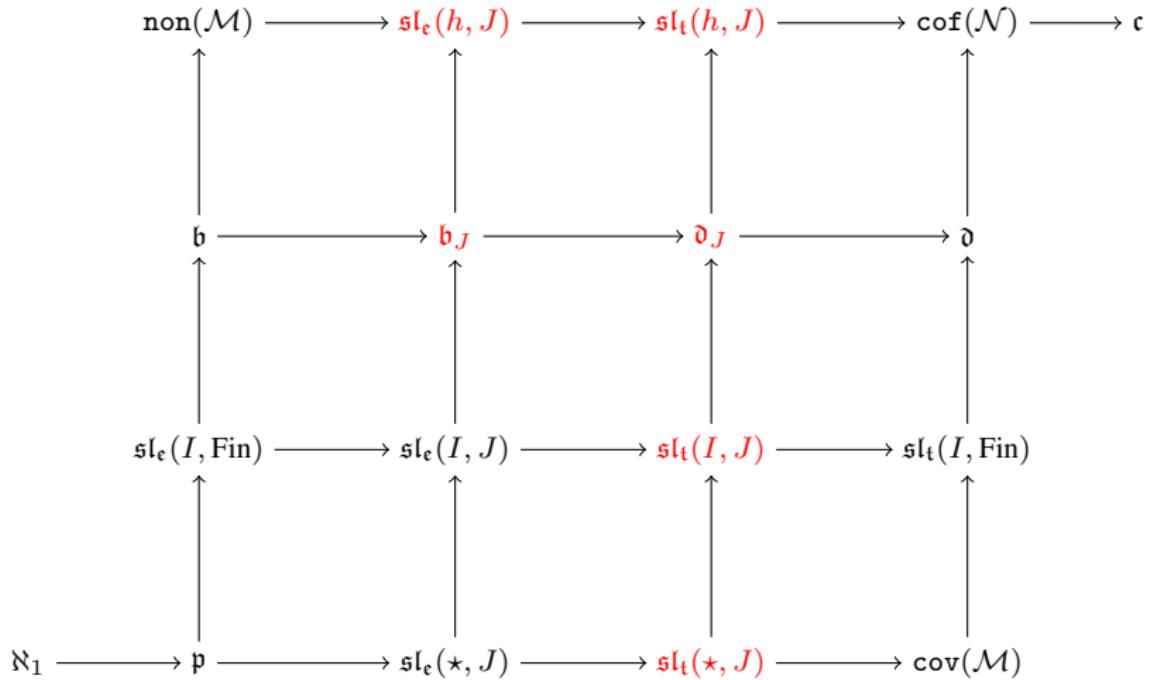
Is there any model where all four rows of the diagram are different for some pair  $I, J$ ?

**Baire property**

## Theorem

Let  $I$  and  $J$  be ideals on  $\omega$ ,  $J$  with the Baire property, and  $h \in {}^\omega\omega$ . Then

- (a)  $\text{sl}_e(h, J) = \text{non}(\mathcal{M})$ .
- (b)  $\text{sl}_t(h, J) = \text{cof}(\mathcal{N})$ .
- (c)  $\text{sl}_t(I, J) = \text{sl}_t(I, \text{Fin})$ .
- (d)  $\text{sl}_t(\star, J) = \text{cov}(\mathcal{M})$ .



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*Do we have that  $\mathfrak{sl}_e(I, J) = \mathfrak{sl}_e(I, \text{Fin})$  and  $\mathfrak{sl}_e(\star, J) = \mathfrak{sl}_e(\star, \text{Fin})$  when  $J$  has the Baire property?*

## Question

*Is  $S_1(\Gamma_h, J\text{-}\Gamma)$  equivalent to  $S_1(\Gamma_h, \Gamma)$  when  $J$  has the Baire property? The same applies to  $S_1(I\text{-}\Gamma, J\text{-}\Lambda)$ ,  $S_1(\Omega, J\text{-}\Lambda)$ , and  $S_1(\Gamma, J\text{-}\Gamma)$ .*

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