Phase Retrieval using Lipschitz Continuous Maps

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- The general *phase retrieval problem* a.k.a. *phaseless reconstruction*: Decide when a given frame is phase retrievable, and, if so, find an algorithm to recover x from $y = \alpha(x)$ (or from $y = \beta(x)$) up to a global phase factor.

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Then:

$$\kappa_\beta : \hat{H} \to \mathcal{S}^{1,0} \quad , \quad \hat{x} \mapsto = xx^* \quad , \quad \text{is an embedding.}$$

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Distinct Structures

Two different structures: topologically equivalent, BUT the metrics are NOT equivalent:

Lemma (BZ15)

The identity map $i : (\hat{H}, D_p) \to (\hat{H}, d_p)$, $i(x) = x$ *is continuous but it is not Lipschitz continuous. Likewise, the identity map* $i : (\hat{H}, d_p) \to (\hat{H}, D_p)$, $i(x) = x$ *is continuous but it is not Lipschitz continuous. Hence the induced topologies on* $(\hat{H}, D_p)$ *and* $(\hat{H}, d_p)$ *are the same, but the corresponding metrics are not Lipschitz equivalent.*

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$$A_0 \min_{\varphi} \|x - e^{i\varphi} y\|_2^2 \leq \sum_{k=1}^{m} ||\langle x, f_k\rangle| - |\langle y, f_k\rangle||^2 \leq B_0 \min_{\varphi} \|x - e^{i\varphi} y\|_2^2.$$

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$$a_0 \|xx^* - yy^*\|_1^2 \leq \sum_{k=1}^{m} \left| |\langle x, f_k \rangle|^2 - |\langle y, f_k \rangle|^2 \right|^2 \leq b_0 \|xx^* - yy^*\|_1^2.$$

2. *There is a Lipschitz map $\psi : (\mathbb{R}^m, \|\cdot\|_2) \to (\hat{H}, d_1)$ so that: (i) $\psi(\beta(x)) = x$ for every $x \in \hat{H}$, and (ii) its Lipschitz constant is $Lip(\psi) \leq \frac{4+3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{a_0}} = \frac{8.24}{\sqrt{a_0}}$.*

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- 2012: **B.**: Cramer-Rao lower bound in the real case; **Eldar&Mendelson** : map α in the real case

$$\|\alpha(x) - \alpha(y)\| \geq C\|x - y\|\|x + y\|.$$

- 2013: **Bandeira,Cahill,Mixon,Nelson**: improved the estimate of C. **B.**: β bi-Lipschitz in real and complex case.
- 2014: **B.&Yang**: Find the exact Lipschitz constant for α in the real case - the constants A_0, B_0; **B.&Z.**:constructed a Lipschitz left inverse for β; **B.**: lower Lipschitz constant A_0 connected to CRLB's for a non-AWGN model.
- 2015: **B.&Z.**: Proved α is bi-Lipschitz in the complex case; constructed a Lipschitz left inverse.

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2. Part 2: Left inverse construction is done in three steps:
   1. The left inverse is first extended to $\mathbb{R}^m$ into $Sym(H)$ using Kirszbraun's theorem;
   2. Then we show that $\mathcal{S}^{1,0}(H)$ is a Lipschitz retract in $Sym(H)$;
   3. The proof is concluded by composing the two maps.

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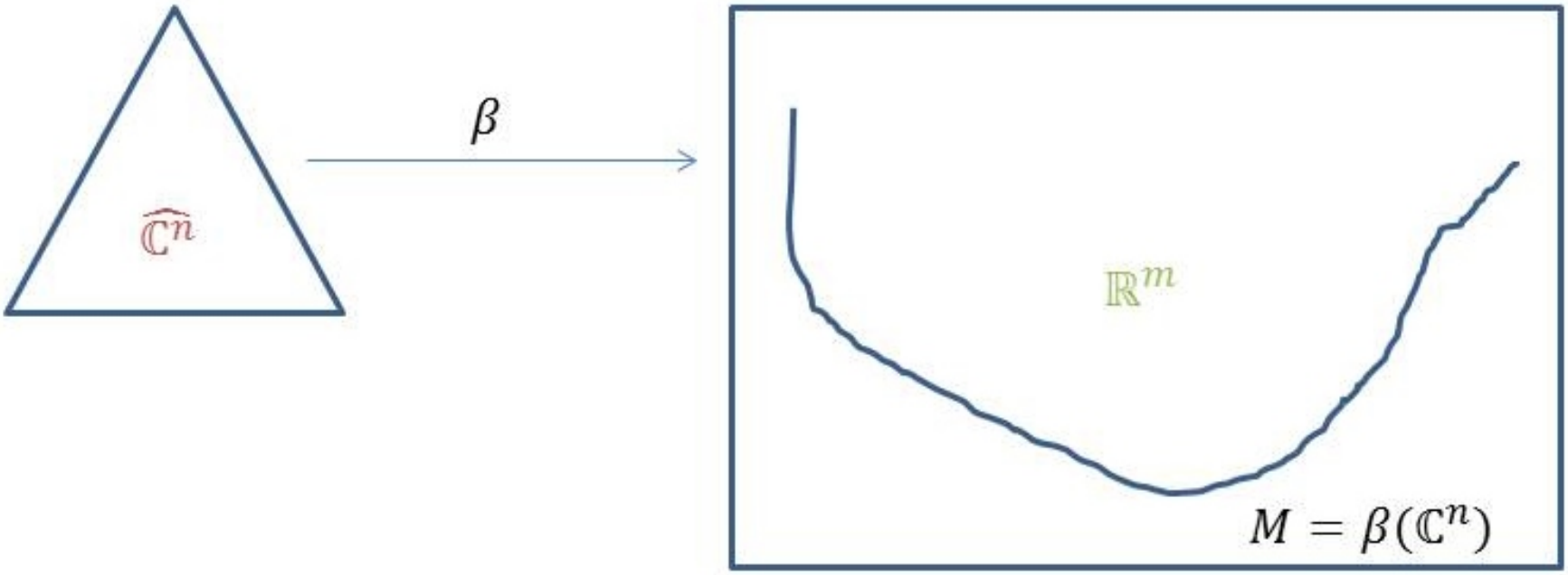

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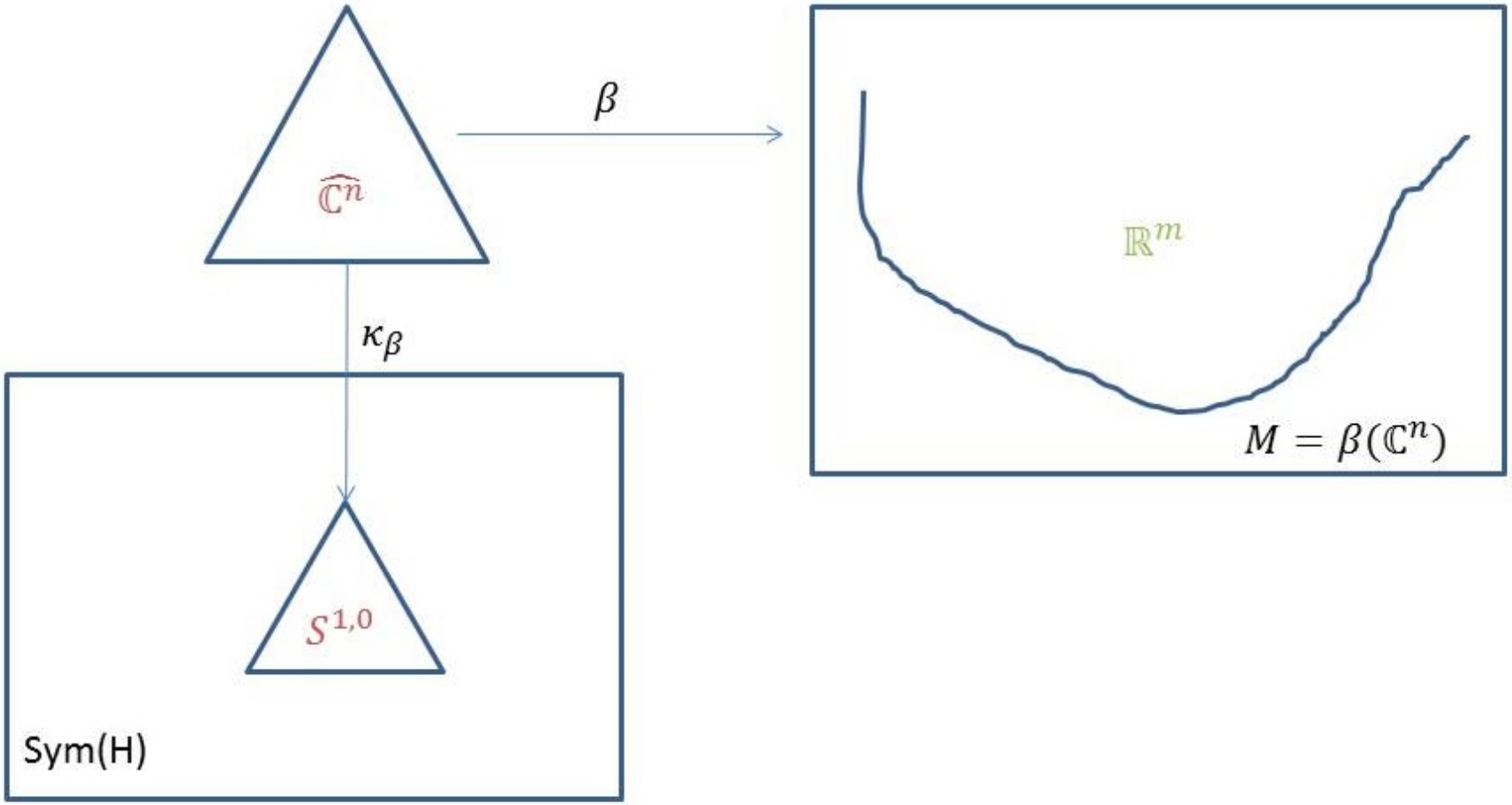

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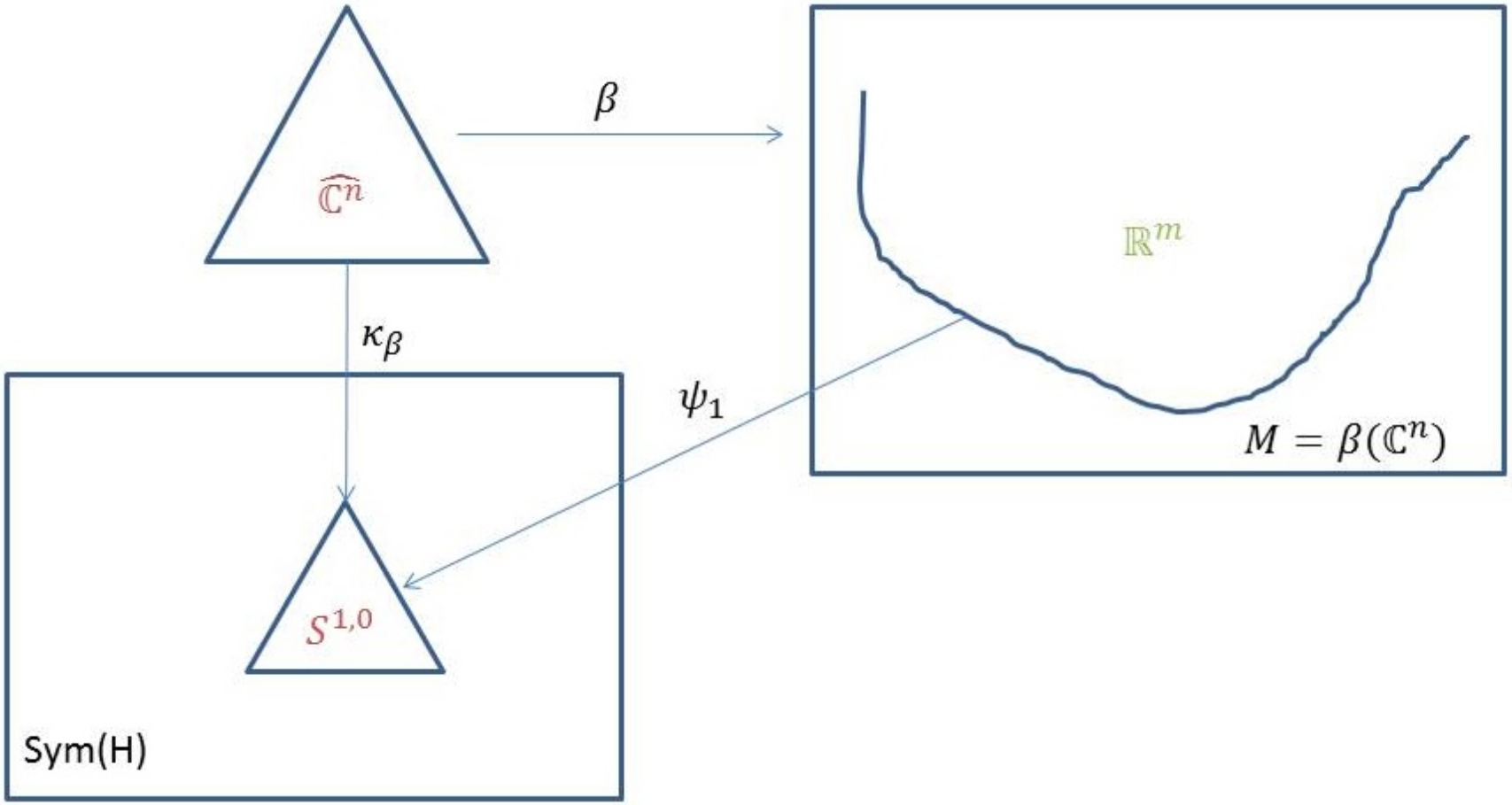
Then construct the local left inverse $\psi_1 : M \to \hat{H}$ with $Lip(\psi_1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a_0}}$.



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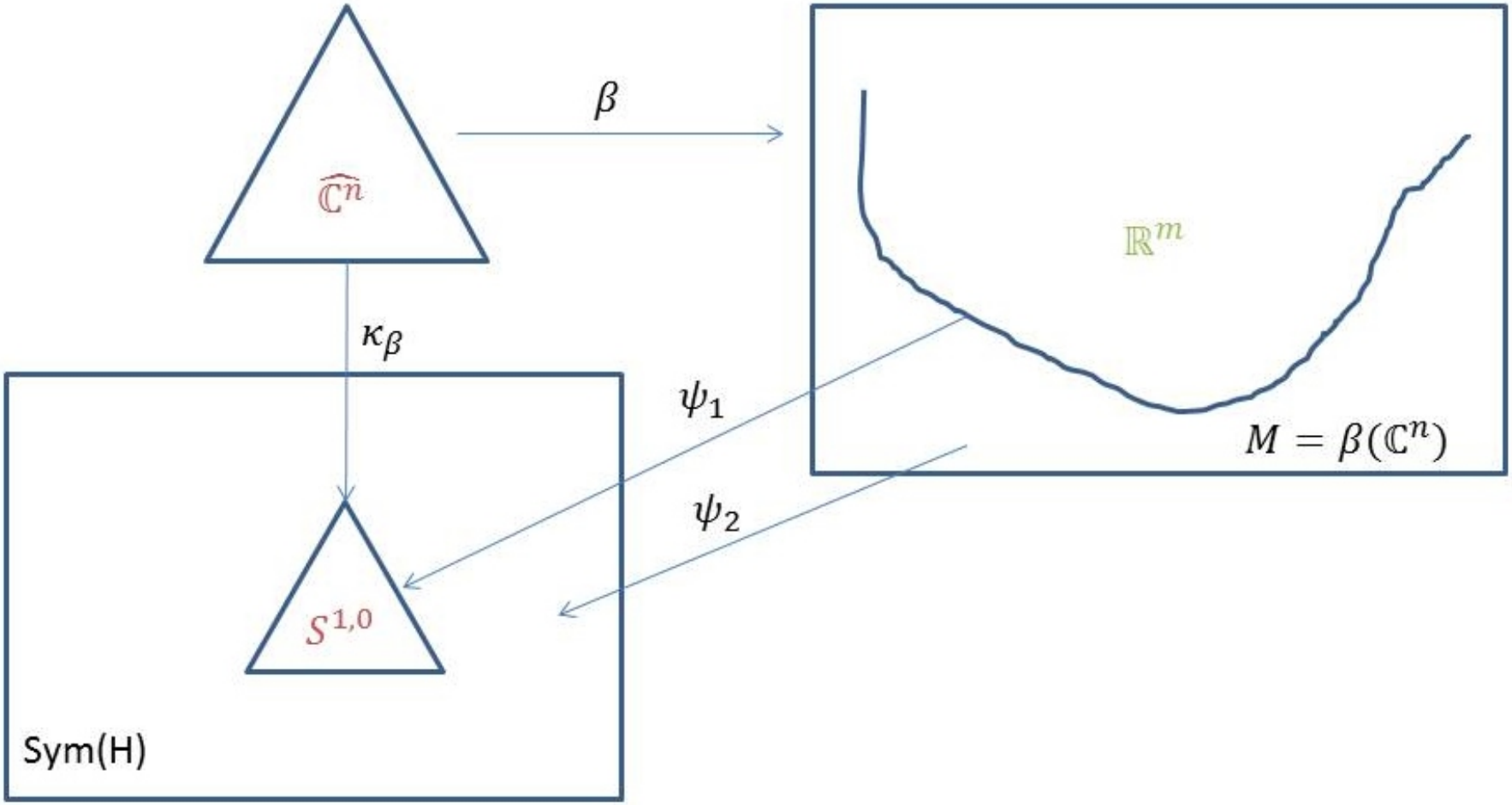
Use Kisrbraun's theorem to extend isometrically $\psi_2 : \mathbb{R}^m \to Sym(H)$.



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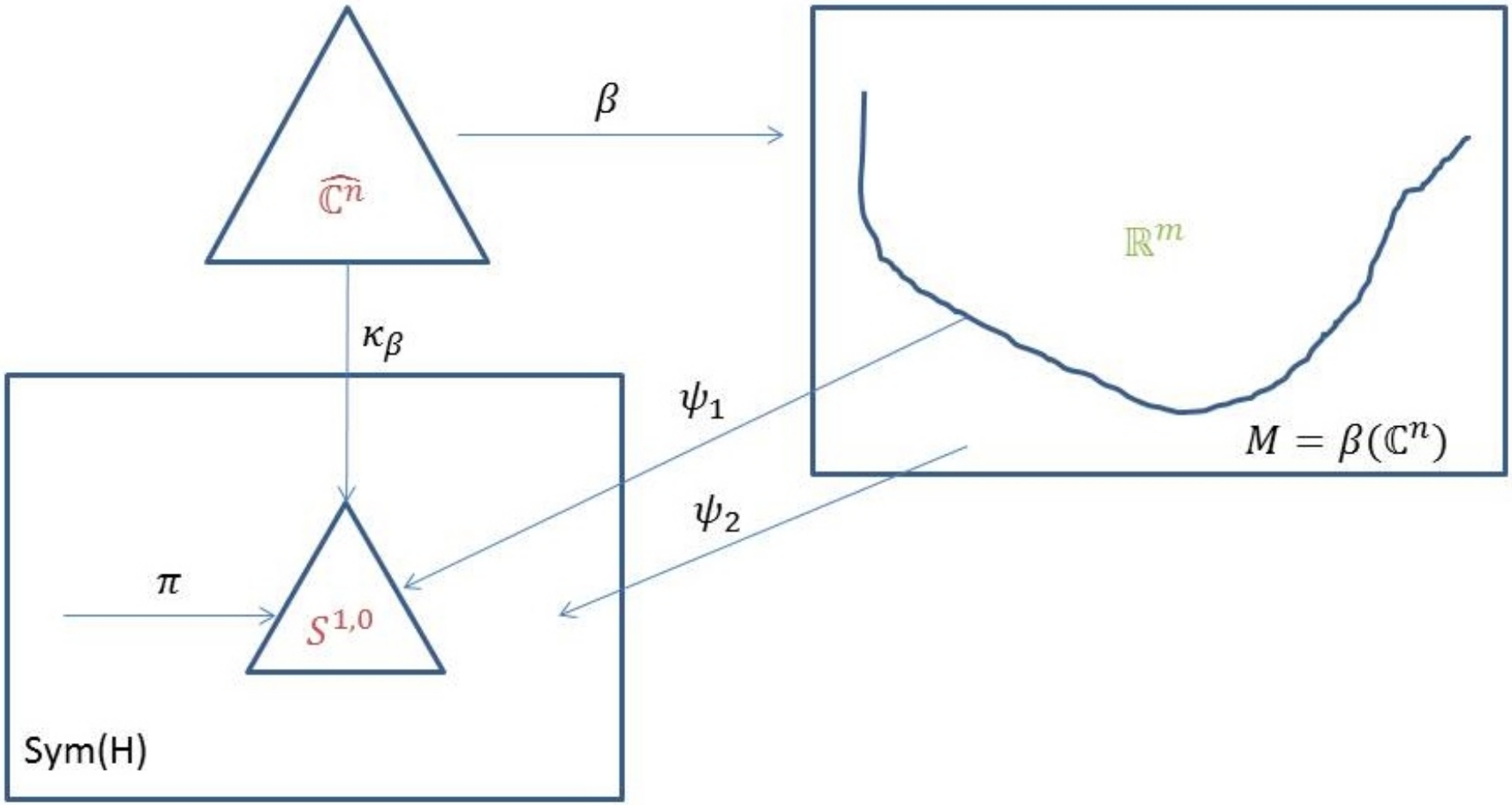

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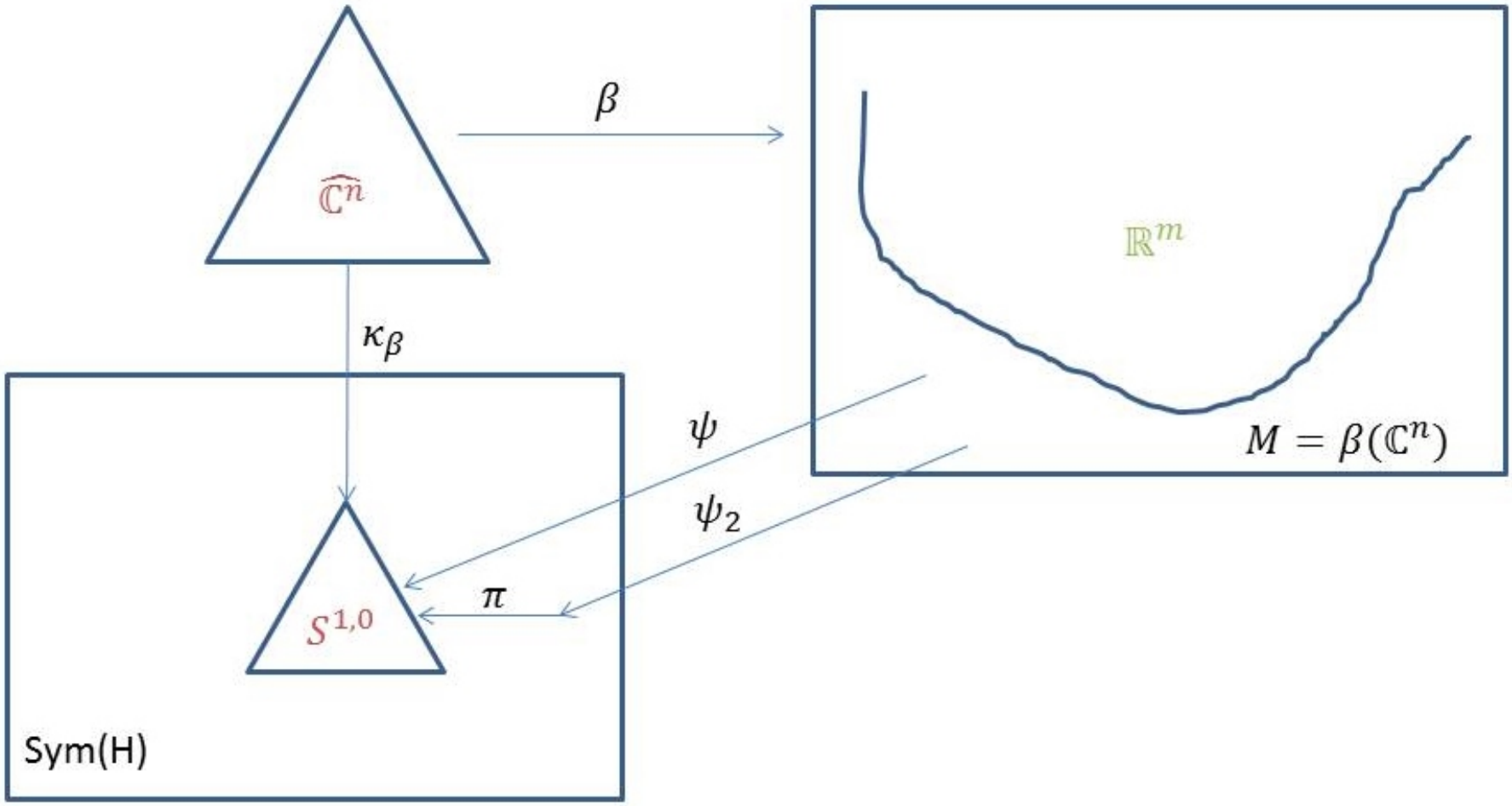
Compose the two maps to get $\psi : \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathcal{S}^{1,0}$, $\psi = \pi \circ \psi_2$.



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Proof uses Weyl's inequality and spectral formula on a complex integration contour by Zwald & Blanchard (2006).

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Consider the following objects:

$$\mathcal{R} : \mathbb{R}^{2n} \to Sym(\mathbb{R}^{2n}) \quad , \quad \mathcal{R}(\xi) = \sum_{k=1}^{m} \Phi_k\xi\xi^T\Phi_k \ , \ \xi \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}$$

$$\mathcal{S} : \mathbb{R}^{2n} \to Sym(\mathbb{R}^{2n}) \quad , \quad \mathcal{S}(\xi) = \sum_{k:\Phi_k\xi\neq 0} \frac{1}{\langle \Phi_k\xi, \xi\rangle}\Phi_k\xi\xi^T\Phi_k \ , \ \xi \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}$$

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Lipschitz bounds for α

Theorem (BZ15)

Assume $\mathcal{F}$ is phase retrievable for $H = \mathbb{C}^n$ and A, B are its optimal frame bounds. Then:

1. *For every $0 \neq z \in \mathbb{C}^n$, $A(z) = \lambda_{2n-1}(\mathcal{S}(\zeta))$ (the next to the smallest eigenvalue);*
2. $A_0 = A(0) > 0$;
3. *For every $z \in \mathbb{C}^n$, $\tilde{A}(z) = \lambda_{2n-1}\left(\mathcal{S}(\zeta) + \sum_{k:\langle z, f_k\rangle = 0} \Phi_k\right)$ (the next to the smallest eigenvalue);*
4. $\tilde{A}(0) = A$, *the optimal lower frame bound;*
5. *For every $z \in \mathbb{C}^n$, $B(z) = \tilde{B}(z) = \lambda_1\left(\mathcal{S}(\zeta) + \sum_{k:\langle z, f_k\rangle = 0} \Phi_k\right)$ (the largest eigenvalue);*
6. $B_0 = B(0) = \tilde{B}(0) = B$, *the optimal upper frame bound;*

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Theorem (cont'd)

7. *For every* $0 \neq z \in \mathbb{C}^n$, $a(z) = \tilde{a}(z) = \lambda_{2n-1}(\mathcal{R}(\zeta))/\|z\|^2$ *(the next to the smallest eigenvalue);*
8. *For every* $0 \neq z \in \mathbb{C}^n$, $b(z) = \tilde{b}(z) = \lambda_1(\mathcal{R}(\zeta))/\|z\|^2$ *(the largest eigenvalue);*
9. $a_0 = \min_{\|\xi\|=1} \lambda_{2n-1}(\mathcal{R}(\xi))$ *is also the largest constant to that* $\mathcal{R}(\xi) \geq a_0(\|\xi\|^2 I - J\xi\xi^T J^T)$*;*
10. $b(0) = \tilde{b}(0) = b_0 = \max_{\|\xi\|=1} \lambda_1(\mathcal{R}(\xi))$ *is also the* 4th *power of the frame analysis operator norm* $T : (\mathbb{C}^n, \|\cdot\|_2) \to (\mathbb{R}^m, \|\cdot\|_4)$*:* $b_0 = \|T\|^4_{B(l^2,l^4)} = \max_{\|x\|_2=1} \sum_{k=1}^m |\langle x, f_k\rangle|^4$*;*
11. $\tilde{a}(0)$ *is given by* $\tilde{a}(0) = \min_{\|z\|=1} \sum_{k=1}^m |\langle z, f_k\rangle|^4$.

Thank you!

Questions?

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