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Mañé's critical value and periodic magnetic Schrödinger operators

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The talk will deal with lifted magnetic fields on covers of closed manifolds. In particular, the spectra of corresponding periodic magnetic Schrödinger operators can be related to Mañé's critical energy values of the corresponding classical Hamiltonian systems. Namely, if the covering transformation group is amenable, then the bottom of the spectrum is bounded from above by Mañé's critical value. In the special case of abelian covers, the spectral analysis reduces to the study of shifted magnetic potentials on the compact quotient which parallels the behaviour of Mañé's critical value of the corresponding classical systems. The talk will finish with examples of magnetic fields on homogeneous spaces, which facilitate comparisons between the classical and the quantum data.

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