

## Averaged alternating reflections in geodesic spaces

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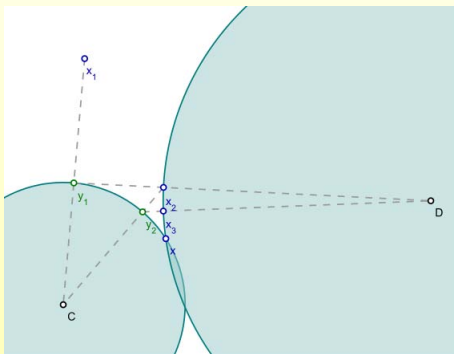


Figure: **APM**: Alternating Projection Method



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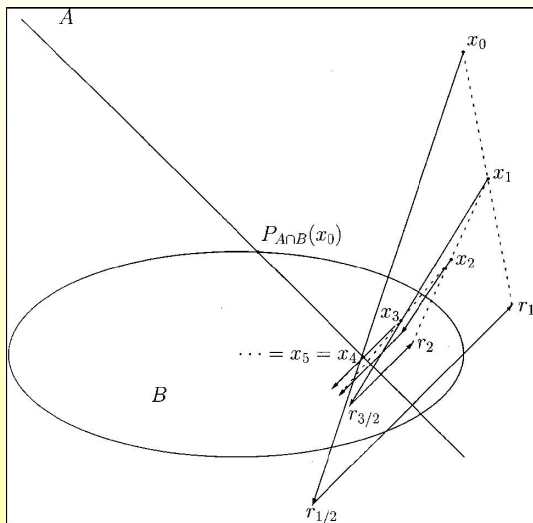
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# Model spaces

- ▶ The Euclidean space (curvature 0)
- ▶ The Spherical space (curvature 1)
- ▶ The Hyperbolic space (curvature  $-1$ )

# The Spherical space

## n-dimensional Sphere

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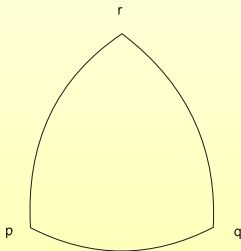
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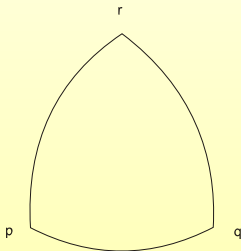


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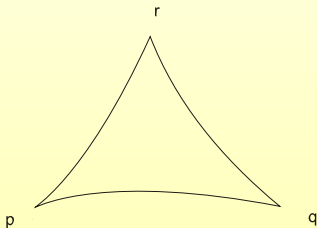


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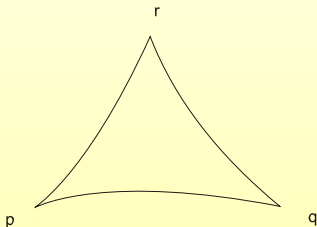


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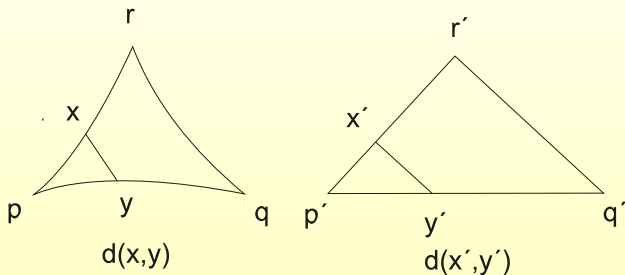


Figure:  $CAT(k)$  inequality

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**Gracias por su atención**