# Manifold submetries, and polynomial algebras 

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- Related to collapse with lower curvature bounds (Cheeger, Yamaguchi, Shioya-Yamaguchi, Wilking, ... ).


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(Gorodski-Lytchak): Study of orthogonal representations, from the point of view of $\pi: \mathbb{S}^{n-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^{n-1} / G$.


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## Thank you!



