# The matrix model for the barotropic equation, connections to variational discretizations, and generalizations to the shallow water equations

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- Model is not derived from barotropic vorticity equation
  - Analogue to continuous model with weak convergence argument<sup>1</sup>
  - Disconnected from other approaches, e.g. Pavlov<sup>2</sup>, ...

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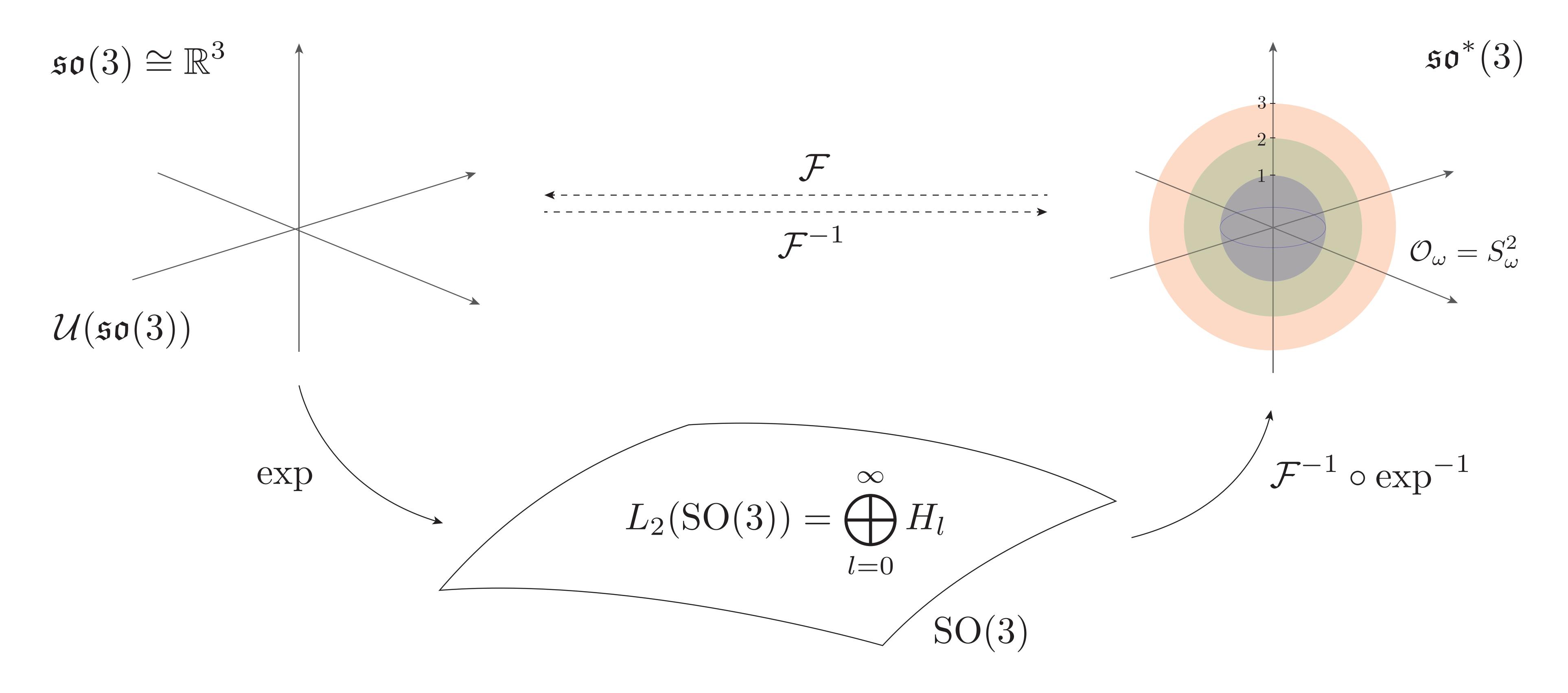
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  - > Matrix model is infinitesimal representation on  $\mathbb{C}^n \otimes (\mathbb{C}^n)^*$
  - > Connection to work by Pavlov, Gawlik, ...
  - Analogous situation for the matrix model for the torus: representation theory of (discrete) Heisenberg group
- Representation theoretic interpretation opens up avenue for extensions