

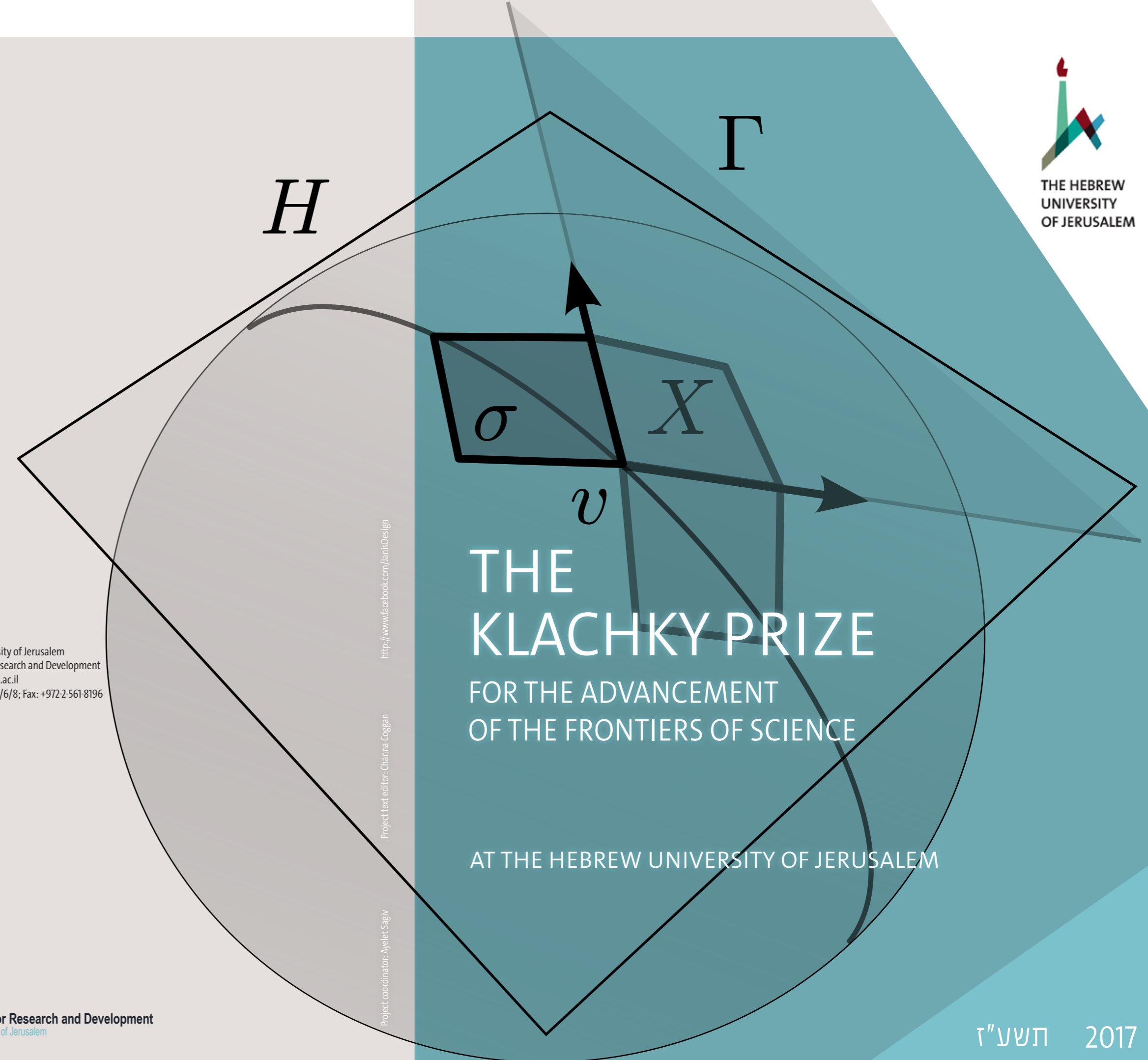
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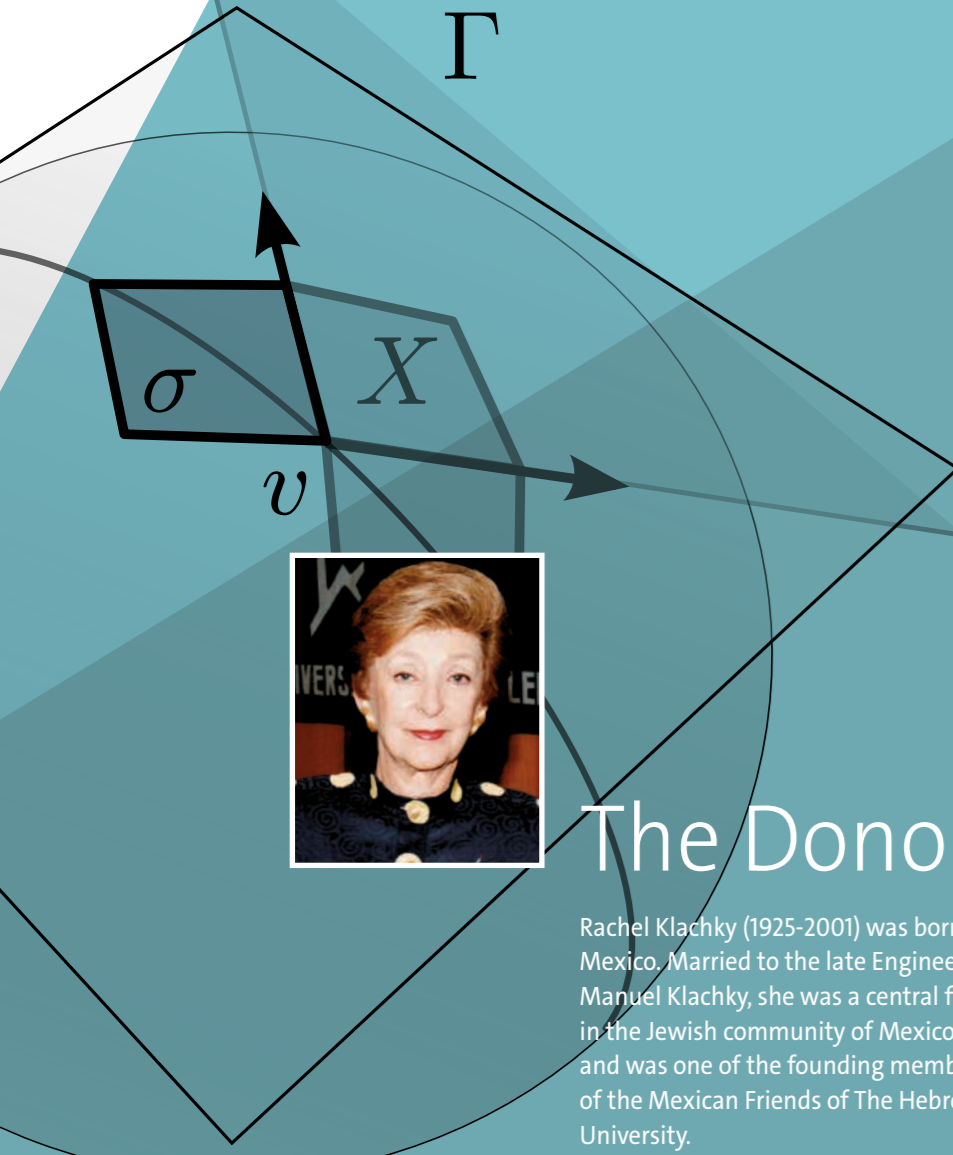
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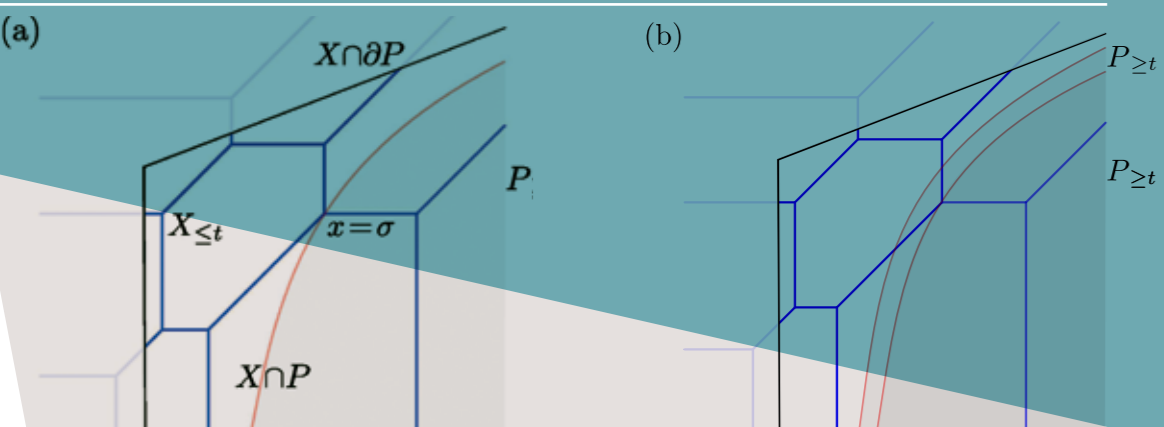
## The Donor

Rachel Klachky (1925-2001) was born in Mexico. Married to the late Engineer Manuel Klachky, she was a central figure in the Jewish community of Mexico, and was one of the founding members of the Mexican Friends of The Hebrew University.

In 1997, she received an Honorary Fellowship from The Hebrew University for her outstanding contributions to the State of Israel and The Hebrew University

of Jerusalem. She wholeheartedly supported worthy causes, including the absorption of new immigrants, scholarships for students, and support of various scientific research projects, and studies on superconductivity at The Hebrew University.

After she passed away, her sons, Roberto and Leopoldo, continued her legacy of support to The Hebrew University of Jerusalem. The Klachky Prize has been awarded since 2003.

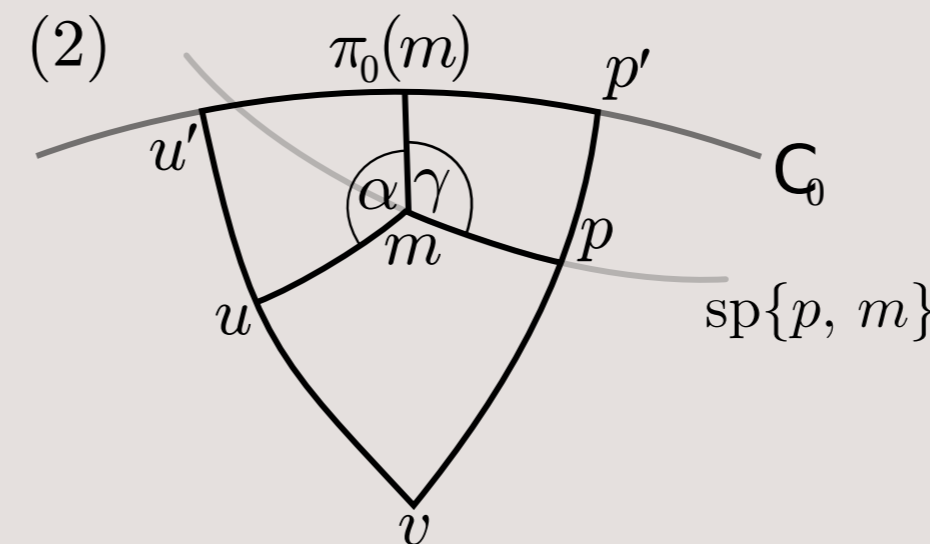
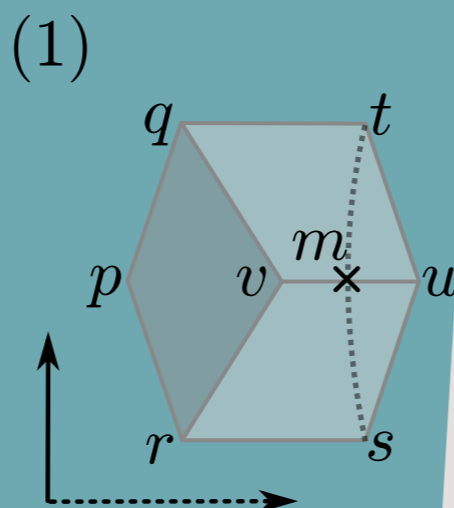


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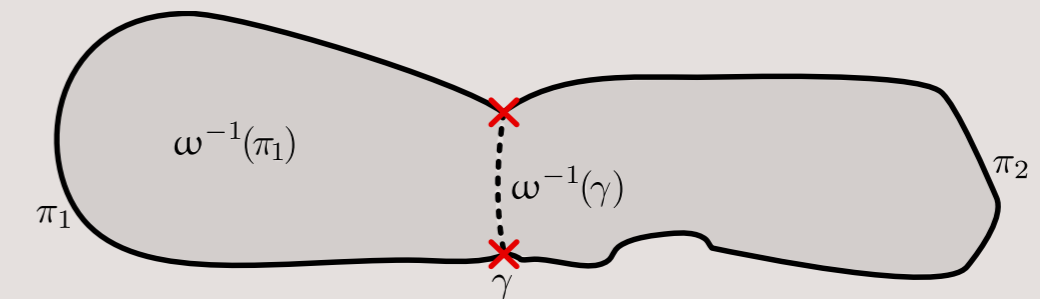


**DR. KARIM ADIPRASITO**  
Einstein Institute of Mathematics  
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**Karim Adiprasito** is German by nationality. He owes his name to an Indonesian grandfather who came to Germany as an engineer and first introduced young Karim to mathematics through asking him mathematical riddles every time he visited. Adiprasito earned his Ph.D. in differential geometry and combinatorics in 2013 at Freie Universität Berlin in Germany with Guenter Ziegler. Subsequently, he undertook post-doctorate work at the Institute des Hautes Études Scientifiques (IHES) near Paris and the Institute for Advanced Study (IAS) at Princeton before joining The Hebrew University.



## Interplay between Combinatorial and Continuous Structures in Mathematics



As a researcher, Karim Adiprasito is fascinated by connections between different areas of mathematics, in particular the interplay between combinatorial (or discrete) and continuous structures. An important instance of such a phenomenon is the Maxwell-Cremona correspondence, which goes back to late

Renaissance study of statics in architecture. He used this technique to study (discrete) partial differential relations which govern, for instance, the behavior of flowing water or electromagnetic fields to solve a problem going back to Legendre more than 200 years ago. Furthermore, he used this technique to describe combinatorially how algebraic

objects intersect, which led to the solution to a famous conjecture of Rota. Currently, he is working with a student to analyze algorithms in scientific computing using their symmetries and attempting to understand extremal properties of certain algebraic objects.

