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1. In this Klein bottle universe, named for Felix Klein, first sketch a tiling view.
Next, Where should o go to prevent $x$ from winning on the next move?

a) top left square
b) Euclidean geometry
c) middle square
d) bottom left square
e) $x$ has no chance of winning so o can go anywhere
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The Shape of Space


Hubble: Space Telescope Science Institute

Experiment: Looking for repeated star patterns
Critiques: light takes times to reach us and changes the view, recognize?

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WMAP and Planck satellite data for density suggest an infinite Euclidean universe within .4\%
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- truth may not be obtainable with too small a sample
- look for reproducibility and consensus
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- We get to truth when we have enough diverse evidence all showing the same result (the earth is not flat). The universe may satisfy the laws of Euclidean geometry (flat)

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