## A technical reading of the Transcendental Syntax

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- Can encode "rigid tiling".
- Used in DNA computing.


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