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Abstract: We study isometric actions of compact Lie groups on complete orientable positively curved n-manifolds whose orbit space has non-empty boundary in the sense of Alexandrov geometry and prove that for sufficiently large n (in terms of the Lie group), either the group has a fixed point, or a normal subgroup thereof, containing all isotropy groups associated to codimension one strata, has a fixed point. Among our applications, we classify representations of simple Lie groups whose orbit space has non-empty boundary. (Based on joint work with A. Kollross and B. Wilking.)



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