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Let $f:M\to M$ be a diffeomorphism of a smooth manifold M, and let Λ be a hyperbolic set for f. We say that Λ is *locally maximal* or *basic* if there exists a neighborhood U of Λ such that

$$\Lambda = \bigcap_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f^n(\overline{U}).$$