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**Wall-crossing formulae for BPS states & some applications.**

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WALL-CROSSING FORMULA FOR  
BPS STATES & SOME APPLICATIONS  
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# 1. INTRODUCTION

THE "SPACE OF BPS STATES" HAS BEEN A CENTRAL CONCEPT IN SUSY GAUGE THEORY & STRING THEORY FOR ALMOST 30 YEARS.

TODAY I'LL FOCUS ON RECENT PROGRESS IN UNDERSTANDING PHENOMENA ASSOCIATED TO MARGINAL STABILITY.

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## A. DEFINING THE "SPACE OF BPS STATES"

FOR DEFINITENESS, WE FOCUS ON THEORIES WITH  $d=4$ ,  $\mathcal{N}=2$  SUSY IN (ASYMPTOTIC) MINKOWSKI SPACE  $\mathcal{M}_4$

HILBERT SPACE OF ONE-PARTICLE STATES,  $\mathcal{H}$ , IS A REP. OF THE  $d=4$ ,  $\mathcal{N}=2$  ALGEBRA.

$\hat{\mathbb{Z}}$  : CENTRAL CHARGE OPERATOR

$$\{\hat{Q}_{i\alpha}, \hat{Q}_{j\beta}\} = \delta_{ij} (C\Gamma^\mu)_{\alpha\beta} \hat{P}_\mu + \epsilon_{ij} C_{\alpha\beta} \hat{\mathbb{Z}}$$

DECOMPOSE  $\mathcal{H} = \bigoplus_{z \in \mathbb{C}} \mathcal{H}_{\hat{\mathbb{Z}}=z}$

LEMMA:  $E \geq |Z|$  ON  $\mathcal{H}_Z$

PROOF:  $N=2 \Rightarrow$

$$\{Q_{i\alpha}, Q_{j\beta}\} = \delta_{ij} (C\Gamma^\mu)_{\alpha\beta} P_\mu + \epsilon_{ij} C_{\alpha\beta} Z$$

THIS IS A 6D SUSY ALGEBRA  $Q_A$ ,

$$\{Q_A, Q_B\} = (C\Gamma^M)_{AB} P_M$$

WITH  $P_4 + iP_5 = Z$ . BUT

$$M^2 = E^2 - \vec{P}^2 - |Z|^2 \geq 0.$$

DEF'N:  $\mathcal{H}_{BPS}$  IS THE SUBSPACE OF  $\mathcal{H}$  WHERE  $E = |Z|$ .

NOW - SPECIALIZE TO **TYPE II**  
STRING THEORY ON  $M_4 \times X$ .

- $M_4$  IS NONCOMPACT  $\Rightarrow$  TO DEFINE THE HILBERT SPACE AS A REP. OF  $N=2$  WE MUST SPECIFY BOUNDARY COND'S FOR THE MASSLESS FIELDS:

$$\lim_{\vec{x} \rightarrow \infty} (g_{\mu\nu}, \phi, B_{\mu\nu}, RR) := \underline{\Phi}_\infty \in \tilde{\mathcal{M}}$$

$\mathcal{H}_{\underline{\Phi}_\infty}$  : 1-PARTICLE HILBERT SPACE  
DEPENDS ON  $\underline{\Phi}_\infty$

- GENERALIZED MAXWELL THEORY  $\Rightarrow$   
 $\mathcal{H}_{\underline{\Phi}_\infty}$  IS GRADED BY ELECTRIC/MAGNETIC  
CHARGE SECTORS:

$$\mathcal{H}_{\underline{\Phi}_\infty} = \bigoplus_{\Gamma} \mathcal{H}_{\underline{\Phi}_\infty}^{\Gamma}$$

$$\Gamma \in (\text{TWISTED}) \text{ K-THEORY}(X)$$

# K-THEORY TO COHOMOLOGY

PHYSICISTS USUALLY WORK  
WITH COHOMOLOGY

$$E \in K^0(X) \longrightarrow \text{ch}(E)\sqrt{\hat{A}} \in H^{\text{ev}}(X, \mathbb{Q})$$

D-BRANES ARE SOURCES:

:

D6	D4	D2	D0
$p^0$	$\mathbb{P}$	$\mathbb{Q}$	$q_0$
$H_6$	$H_4$	$H_2$	$H_0$
$H^0$	$H^2$	$H^4$	$H^6$

Often identify  $H^6(X, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}$

$$K^0(X) / \text{TORSION} = \text{LATTICE } \Lambda$$

$$\text{Ch}(\mathcal{E}) \sqrt{\hat{A}} \Rightarrow \text{CORRESPONDING LATTICE IN } H^{\text{ev}}(X, \mathbb{Q})$$

$\Lambda$  HAS A  $\natural$  SYMPLECTIC FORM

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{E}_1, \mathcal{E}_2 \rangle &= \text{Index } \not{D}_{\mathcal{E}_1 \otimes \overline{\mathcal{E}}_2} \\ &= \int (\text{Ch } \mathcal{E}_1 \sqrt{\hat{A}}) \wedge (\text{Ch } \overline{\mathcal{E}}_2 \sqrt{\hat{A}}) \end{aligned}$$

IN TERMS OF COHOMOLOGY

$$\langle \Gamma, \Gamma' \rangle = \int -p^0 q'_0 + p q' - q p' + q_0 p'_0$$

PHYSICALLY: DIRAC-SCHWINGER-ZWANNZ.

DUALITY INVT. PRODUCT OF  
ELECTRIC AND MAGNETIC  
CHARGES.



NOW WE PUT THESE THINGS TOGETHER:

CONSIDER IIA STRINGS WITH

1.  $X$  = STATIC, COMPACT, CY 3-FOLD
2. FLAT B-FIELD:  $B \in H^2(X, \mathbb{R})$
3. FLAT RR FIELDS

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{N}=2, d=4$  SUGRA

- EACH  $\mathcal{H}_{\Xi_\infty}^\Gamma$  IS A REP OF  $\mathcal{N}=2$
- CENTRAL CHARGE  $\boxed{Z = Z(\Gamma; \Xi_\infty)}$

SO, WE STUDY THE BPS SPECTRUM

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{BPS}} = \bigoplus_{\Gamma \in K^0(X)} \mathcal{H}_{\Xi_\infty, \text{BPS}}^\Gamma$$



FINITE DIMENSIONAL

## B. DEPENDENCE ON MODULI

THE SPACES  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbb{E}_\infty, \text{BPS}}^\Gamma$  ARE  
LOCALLY CONSTANT BUT NOT GLOBALLY  
CONSTANT AS FUNCTIONS OF  $\mathbb{E}_\infty$

MODULI SPACE  $\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}$  IS A PRODUCT:

HYPERMULTIPLETS  $\times$  VECTORMULTIPLETS  
[CPLX STR.,  $\phi$ , RR FIELDS] [COMPLEXIFIED KÄHLER]

WE WORK AT A GENERIC HYPERMULTIPLY.

RECENT PROGRESS HAS BEEN  
CONCERNED WITH THE DEPENDENCE  
ON VECTORMULTIPLETS, IN THIS TALK,

$$t = B + iJ$$

- THE JUMPING LOCUS IS REAL  
CODIMENSION ONE

DEFINE AN INDEX

$$\Omega(\Gamma; \Phi_\infty) = -\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\Phi_\infty, \text{BPS}}^\Gamma} (2J_3)^2 (-1)^{2J_3}$$

(COMPARE A. SEN'S TALK: HE HAD 6<sup>TH</sup> HELICITY SUPERTRACE.)

● TECHNICAL POINT:

$$\mathcal{H}_{\Phi_\infty, \text{BPS}}^\Gamma = \underbrace{\mathcal{H}_{\frac{1}{2}\text{HM}}}_{\substack{1/2 \text{ hyper} \\ \text{spin rep}^h}} \otimes \mathcal{H}(\Gamma, t_\infty)$$

$2(0) + (\frac{1}{2}) \text{ as}$

$$\Omega(\Gamma; t_\infty) = \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}(\Gamma, t_\infty)} (-1)^F$$

HENCEFORTH FOCUS ON  $\mathcal{H}(\Gamma; t_\infty)$

● KEY POINT:  $\Omega$  CHANGES ACROSS WALLS OF MARGINAL STABILITY

## C. WHY DO WE CARE?

### PHYSICS MOTIVATION

1. THE MAIN MOTIVATION FOR RECENT WORK IS THE PROGRAM, INITIATED BY STROMINGER-Vafa (1995) OF ACCOUNTING FOR BH ENTROPY VIA MICROSTATE COUNTING. THAT GOAL IS STILL NOT FULLY ACCOMPLISHED.

WE DON'T KNOW BPS DEGENERACY FOR CERTAIN NATURAL CHARGE REGIMES, FOR EXAMPLE:

$$\Gamma \rightarrow \lambda \Gamma \quad \lambda \rightarrow \infty$$

2. OSV CONJECTURE:

RELATION BETWEEN

$$\Omega(\Gamma) \quad \Big| \quad \text{GW/DT/GV INVARIANTS}$$

$\Rightarrow$  NONPTVE TOPOLOGICAL STRING?

# MATH MOTIVATION

1. PHYSICAL STABILITY OF BPS STATES IS RELATED TO MATH. STABILITY IN THE BOUNDED DERIVED CATEGORY OF COHERENT SHEAVES ON A C.Y.: KONTSEVICH, DOUGLAS, BRIDGELAND, THOMAS, PANDHARIPANDE . . . .

PHYSICS  $\Rightarrow$  PREDICTIONS/CONSTRAINTS ON WHAT WE EXPECT SHOULD BE TRUE.

2. MANY INTERESTING CONNECTIONS TO AUTOMORPHIC FORMS AND ANALYTIC NUMBER THEORY; SOME RELATIONS TO ARITHMETIC CY'S.

3. THERE ARE SEVERAL OTHER MORE SPECULATIVE APPLICATIONS, E.G. BPS ALGEBRAS: GENERALIZING NAKAJIMA'S WORK AND SUGGESTED BY TYPE II/HET DUALITY SHOULD BE CLOSELY RELATED.

## 2. WALL-CROSSING FORMULAE: STATEMENT

$N=2, d=4$  Algebra  $\Rightarrow$

- MODULI OF VACUA  $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}$
- LATTICE OF ELECTRIC/MAGNETIC CHARGES  $\Lambda$
- CENTRAL CHARGE:  $Z: \Lambda \times \tilde{\mathcal{M}} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$

WALLS WHERE  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{BPS}}$  MIGHT JUMP

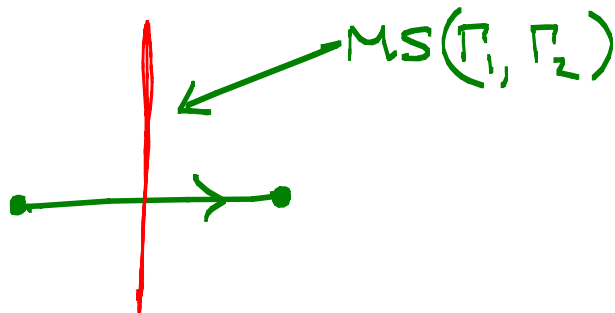
$$MS(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2) := \{t \mid Z(\Gamma_1, t) = \lambda Z(\Gamma_2, t), \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$$

$$|Z_1 + Z_2| = |Z_1| + |Z_2|$$

CECOTT, INTRILIGATOR, NAFA ; SEIBERG & WITTEN:

A BOUNDSTATE OF PARTICLES WITH CHARGES

$\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  CAN DECAY

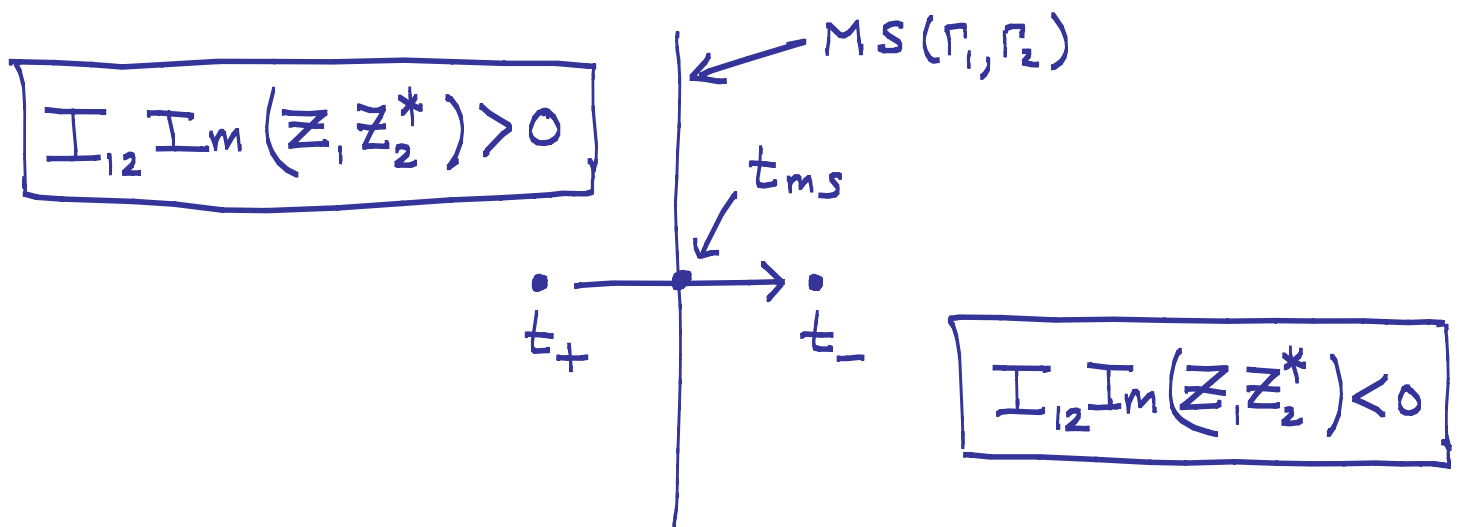


WE WANT TO SAY HOW MANY STATES DECAY.

# PRIMITIVE WALL-CROSSING FORMULA:

$\Lambda$  HAS SYMPLECTIC FORM  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$

LET  $I_{12} := \langle \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rangle$



$\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  PRIMITIVE,  $t_{ms}$  GENERIC  $\Rightarrow$

$$\mathcal{H}_+ - \mathcal{H}_- = (J_{12}) \otimes \mathcal{H}(\Gamma_1; t_{ms}) \otimes \mathcal{H}(\Gamma_2; t_{ms})$$

$$J_{12} = \frac{1}{2}(|I_{12}| - 1)$$

$$\Delta \Omega = (-1)^{|I_{12}|} |I_{12}| \Omega(\Gamma_1, t_{ms}) \Omega(\Gamma_2, t_{ms})$$

# SEMI-PRIMITIVE WALL-CROSSING FORMULA

IN ADDITION TO  $\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2$  BOUNDSTATES

WE CAN ALSO FORM  $N_1 \Gamma_1 + N_2 \Gamma_2$  BOUNDSTATES

$$MS(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2) = MS(N_1 \Gamma_1, N_2 \Gamma_2) \quad N_1, N_2 \in \mathbb{Z}_+$$

CONSIDER  $N_1=1, N_2 \geq 1$  :

$$\bigoplus_{N_2} u^{N_2} \Delta \mathcal{H} / \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma_1 + N_2 \Gamma_2$$

CLAIM: THIS IS A  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -GRADED FOCK SPACE

$$\mathcal{H}(\Gamma_1; t_{ms}) \bigotimes_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F} \left( \underbrace{u^k (\mathcal{J}_{\Gamma_1, k\Gamma_2}) \otimes \mathcal{H}(k\Gamma_2; t_{ms})}_{\text{GRADED SPACE OF OSCILLATORS}} \right)$$

IN PARTICULAR:

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_1 + \sum_{N \geq 0} u^N \Delta \Omega(\Gamma_1 + N\Gamma_2) &= \\ &= \Omega(\Gamma_1) \prod_{k \geq 0} \left( 1 - (-1)^{\langle \Gamma_1, k\Gamma_2 \rangle} u^k \right)^{|\langle \Gamma_1, k\Gamma_2 \rangle|} \Omega(k\Gamma_2) \end{aligned}$$



### 3. PHYSICAL DERIVATION OF WCF

#### A. SUPERGRAVITY TOOLS

D-BRANES ARE OBJECTS IN A CATEGORY

IN TYPE IIA/CY, THE SUBCATEGORY OF SUSY BRANES IS PROBABLY THE BOUNDED DERIVED CATEGORY OF COHERENT SHEAVES.

BUT WE WANT TO DESCRIBE THE (PHYSICALLY) STABLE OBJECTS.

AT WEAK STRING COUPLING, AND  $J \rightarrow \infty$   
 $\exists$  A BEAUTIFUL DESCRIPTION OF STABLE BPS STATES USING SUGRA.

IN THE SEMICLASSICAL LIMIT

$\psi \in \mathcal{H}_{\text{BPS}} \rightsquigarrow$  BPS SOLUTION OF SUGRA EQUATIONS

\* SUPERGRAVITY ALLOWS ONE TO IDENTIFY MANY "STABLE OBJECTS" THANKS TO THE ATTRACTOR MECHANISM.

ATTRACTOR MECHANISM: (F.K.S. ; STROMINGER)

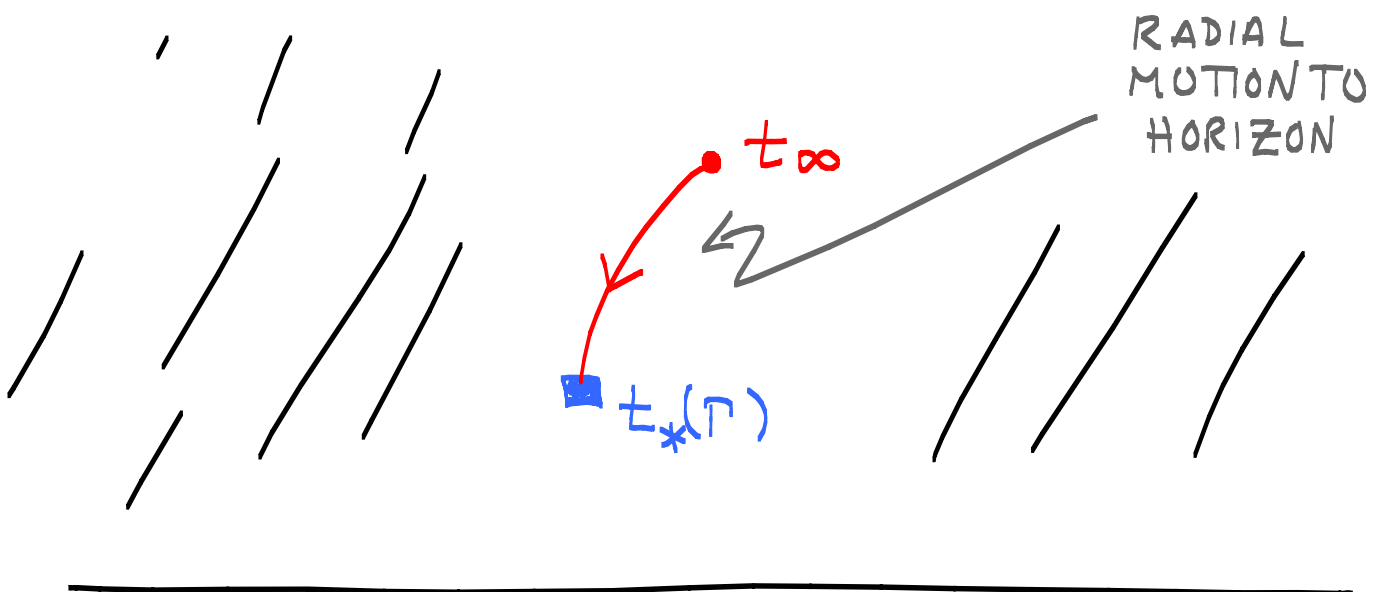
$\Gamma, t_\infty \in \mathbb{R}$  SPHERICAL SYMMETRY

$\Rightarrow \exists$  AT MOST ONE BPS  
SOLUTION OF SUGRA.

IF IT EXISTS ....

SCALAR FIELDS  $t = t(r)$ , AND  
EVOLUTION FROM  $r = \infty$  TO  $r = 0$   
APPROACHES AN ATTRACTIVE  
FIXED POINT  $t_*(\Gamma)$ :

$\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_{VM}$



ATTRACTOR FLOW = GRADIENT FLOW FOR

$$\log |Z(\Gamma; t)|^2$$

$$Z = \frac{\langle \Gamma, \omega \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle \omega, \omega^* \rangle}}$$

$$\langle \Gamma, \Gamma' \rangle = \int -p^0 q'_0 + p q'_1 - q p'_1 + q_0 p'_0$$

$\omega$  = PERIOD VECTOR

IN LARGE RADIUS APPROXIMATION:

$$\omega = -e^t = -e^{B+iJ}$$

$$Z \approx \frac{\frac{1}{6} p^0 t^3 - \frac{1}{2} p t^2 + Q t - q_0}{\sqrt{(I m t)^3}}$$

## BASIC TRICHOTOMY

1.  $t_*(\Gamma) \in \text{Interior}(\tilde{\mathcal{M}})$   
and  $\mathcal{Z}(\Gamma; t_*(\Gamma)) \neq \emptyset$

"REGULAR ATTRACTOR POINT"

2.  $\exists$  NONEMPTY SUBVARIETY  $\subset \tilde{\mathcal{M}}$   
 $\mathcal{Z}(\Gamma; t) = \emptyset$

3.  $t_*(\Gamma) \in \partial \tilde{\mathcal{M}}$

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(1.)  $\exists$  SPHERICALLY SYMMETRIC BPS  
BLACK HOLES IN  $\mathcal{H}_{\text{BPS}}(\Gamma; t)$  FOR ALL  $t$

(2.)  $\mathcal{H}_{\text{BPS}}(\Gamma; t) = \emptyset$  IN AN OPEN  
REGION OF THE ZERO LOCUS.  
 $\mathcal{H}_{\text{BPS}}$  MIGHT BE NONEMPTY FURTHER AWAY

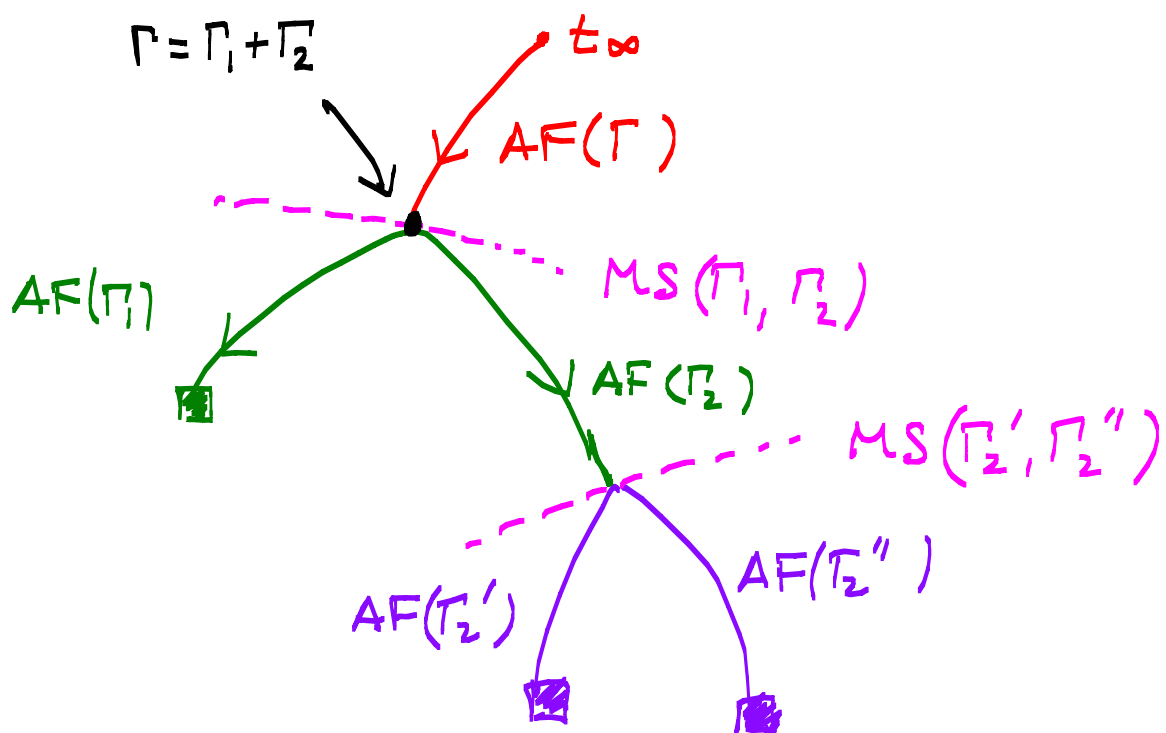
(3.) CANNOT USE SUGRA TO ESTABLISH  
EXISTENCE: MUST USE MICROSCOPIC  
ARGUMENTS.

## B. SPLIT ATTRACTOR FLOWS

IF  $\mathbb{Z}(\Gamma; t) = 0$  HAS SOLUTIONS IN THE INTERIOR OF MODULI SPACE THEN USE:

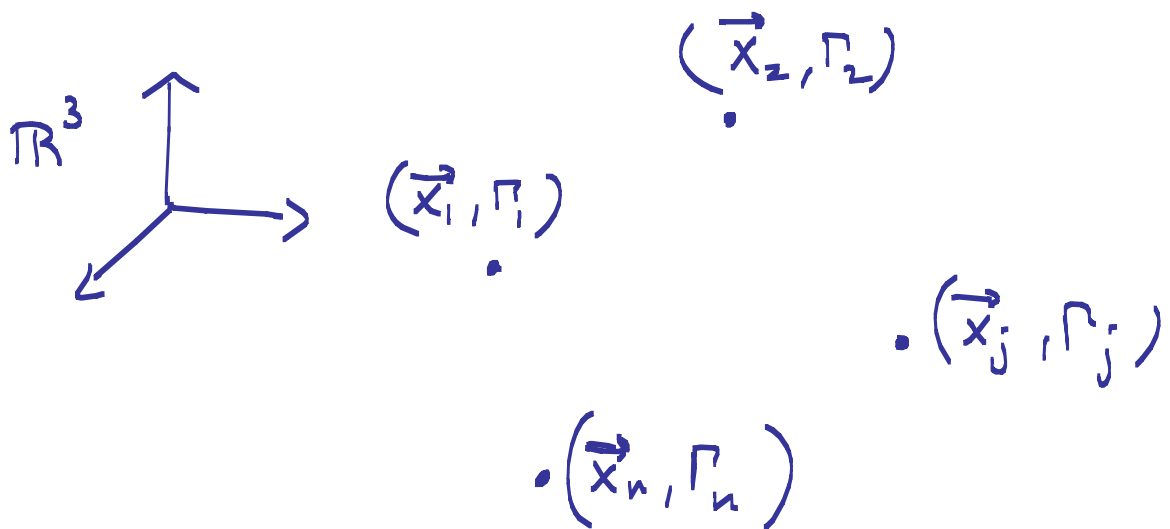
DENEFF'S RULE:  $\mathbb{Z}(\Gamma; t) \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow$   
 $\exists$  A SPLIT ATTRACTOR FLOW (S.A.F.)

S.A.F.: A PIECEWISE ATTRACTOR FLOW,  
JOINED ALONG WALLS OF M.S.,  
CONSERVING CHARGE AT THE  
VERTICES, TERMINATING ON R.A.P.'S :



- IF SUCH ATTRACTOR FLOW TREES EXIST WE CAN CONSTRUCT A CORRESPONDING SOLUTION OF SUGRA.

- SPACETIME PICTURE:



- NEAR EACH POINT  $\vec{x}_i$ : THE SOLUTION LOOKS LIKE THE SINGLE-CENTERED SOLUTION: "BLACK-HOLE MOLECULES"

## MULTICENTERED SOLUTIONS:

### GENERAL BPS EQUATIONS

$$(1.) \quad ds^2 = -e^{2U} (dt + \Theta)^2 + e^{-2U} d\vec{x}^2$$

$$U = U(\vec{x}), \quad \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

$$(2.) \quad \text{CHOOSE A HARMONIC MAP} \\ H: \mathbb{R}^3 \longrightarrow H^{\text{ev}}(X, \mathbb{R})$$

$$H(\vec{x}) = \sum_j \frac{\Gamma_j}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_j|} + H_\infty$$

$$\boxed{2e^U \operatorname{Im}(e^{-i\alpha} \omega) = -H(\vec{x})} \implies$$

$$(a.) \quad t(\vec{x}) \text{ completely fixed,}$$

$$(b.) \quad e^{-2U(\vec{x})} = S(H(\vec{x}))$$

$$(3.) \quad *_3 d\mathbb{H} = \langle dH, H \rangle$$

$\Rightarrow$  INTEGRABILITY CONDITION:

$$\sum_{\substack{j \\ j \neq i}} \frac{\langle \Gamma_i, \Gamma_j \rangle}{|\vec{x}_i - \vec{x}_j|} = 2 \operatorname{Im} \left( e^{-i\alpha} Z(\Gamma_i) \right)_{\infty}$$

SUGRA SOLUTION EXISTS  $\iff$

$\forall \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3:$

$L(\vec{x}) \in \mathcal{M}_{VM} \quad \varepsilon$

$$\pi e^{-2U(\vec{x})} = S(H(\vec{x})) \geq 0$$

( A VERY NONTRIVIAL CONDITION  
TO CHECK ... )



## SPLIT ATTRACTOR CONJECTURE (DENEFF)

(a.) (COMPONENTS OF MODULI OF) MULTICENTERED SOLUTIONS ARE IN  $1 \leftrightarrow 1$  CORRESPONDENCE WITH S.A.F.'S.

(b.) FOR A FIXED  $(t_\infty, \Gamma)$  THERE ARE A FINITE NUMBER OF S.A.F.'S

- USEFUL BECAUSE CHECKING  $S(H(\vec{x})) > 0$  IS DIFFICULT

- $\mathcal{H}_{BDS}$  IS PARTITIONED BY SPLIT ATTRACTOR FLOWS

- $\exists$  SOME INTERESTING OPEN

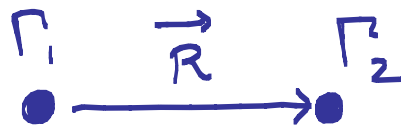
PROBLEMS HERE ....

- \* QUANTUM MIXING BETWEEN DIFFERENT TREES

- \* USEFUL EXISTENCE CRITERION FOR SCALING SOLUTIONS.

## C. DERIVATION OF PRIMITIVE WCF:

CONSIDER BOUNDSTATE OF TWO  
PRIMITIVE CHARGES:

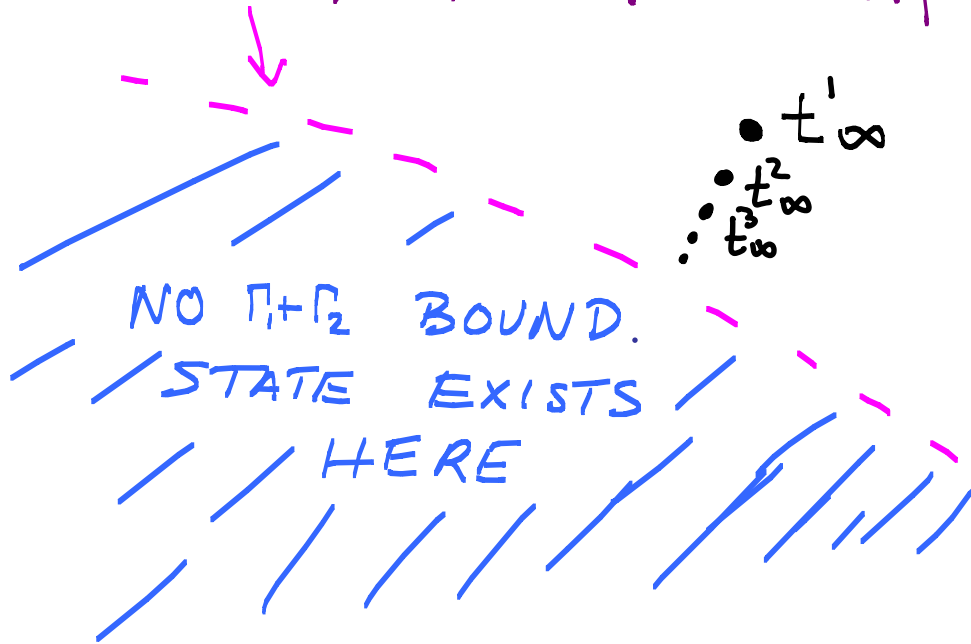


$$R = \frac{1}{2} \langle \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rangle \frac{|\bar{z}_1 + \bar{z}_2|_\infty}{\text{Im}(\bar{z}_1, \bar{z}_2)_\infty}$$

- NOTE:  $\langle \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rangle \text{Im}(\bar{z}_1, \bar{z}_2)_\infty > 0$
- NOTE THAT BY CHANGING  $t_\infty$   
WE CAN MAKE  $\text{Im}(\bar{z}_1, \bar{z}_2)|_{t_\infty} \rightarrow 0$   
WHILE  $|\bar{z}_1 + \bar{z}_2|_{t_\infty} \neq 0$

ILLUSTRATES THE KEY POINT  
OF MARGINAL STABILITY:

$$MS(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2) := \{t \in \mathcal{M}_{VM} \mid \frac{z_1}{z_2} \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$$



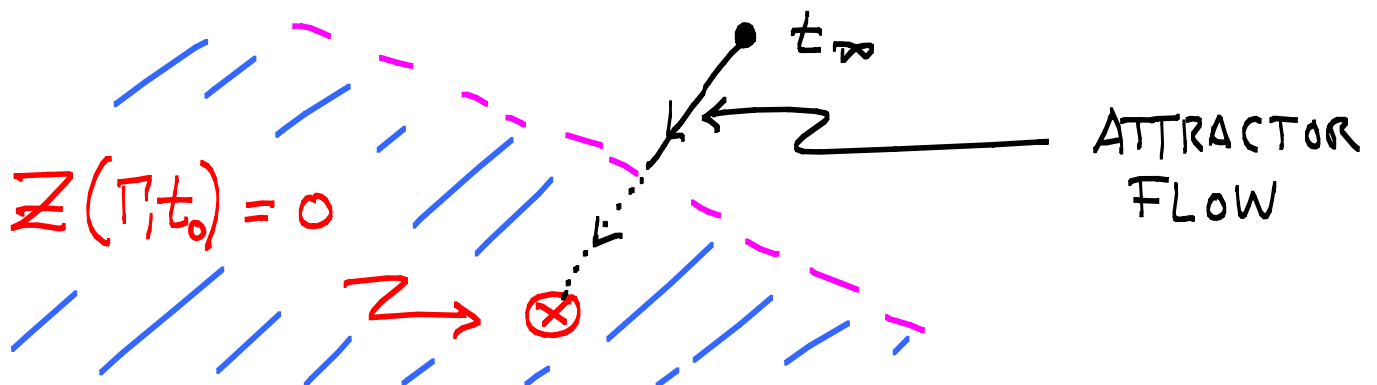
$$\begin{matrix} \bullet & t_\infty^1 \\ \bullet & t_\infty^2 \\ \vdots & t_\infty^3 \end{matrix}$$

CHANGE BC'S

$$\textcircled{a} \quad r = \infty \Rightarrow$$

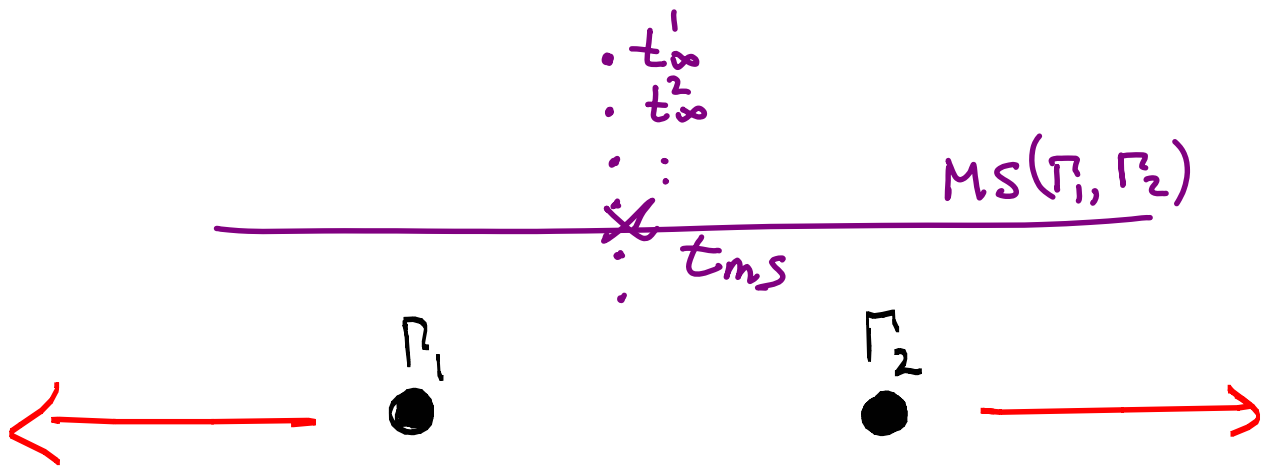
$$R_{1,2} \rightarrow \infty$$

IF  $Z(\Gamma; t)$  HAS A ZERO THEN  
THERE IS NO BOUNDSTATE OF TYPE  $\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2$   
IN THE BLUE REGION.



MACROSCOPIC ARGUMENT FOR WCF:

$$R_{12} = \frac{1}{2} \langle \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rangle \frac{|Z_1 + Z_2|_\infty}{\text{Im}(Z_1 \bar{Z}_2)_\infty}$$



ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD OF TWO DYONS  
HAS SPIN:

$$J_{12} = \frac{1}{2} (K_{\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2} - 1)$$

quantum  
correction

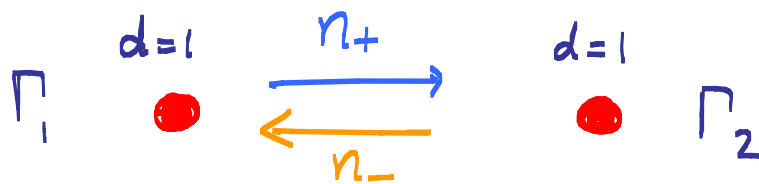
LOCALITY  $\Rightarrow$  FOR  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  PRIMITIVE:

STATES LOST FROM  $\mathcal{H}(\Gamma; t_\infty)$  ARE

$$(J_{12}) \otimes \mathcal{H}(\Gamma_1; t_{ms}) \otimes \mathcal{H}(\Gamma_2; t_{ms})$$

## MICROSCOPIC ARGUMENT FOR WCF:

WHEN  $\vartheta = \arg z_2/z_1 \rightarrow 0$ , MODEL  
LIGHT D.O.F BY A QUIVER GAUGE THRY:



TRANSLATION TO SUPERGRAVITY:

STABILITY DATA:  $(\vartheta, -\vartheta)$

$$n_+ - n_- = \mathbb{I}_{12}$$

GENERICALLY  $n_+ = 0$  or  $n_- = 0$ .

SUPPOSE  $n_- = 0$ :

$$\vartheta > 0 \quad \mathcal{M} = \mathbb{CP}^{n_+-1}$$

$$\vartheta < 0 \quad \mathcal{M} = \emptyset$$

$$\Delta \mathcal{H} = H^*(\mathbb{CP}^{n_+-1})$$

$$\text{spin}(3) \approx \text{Lefschetz}$$

# QUIVER QUANTUM MECHANICS

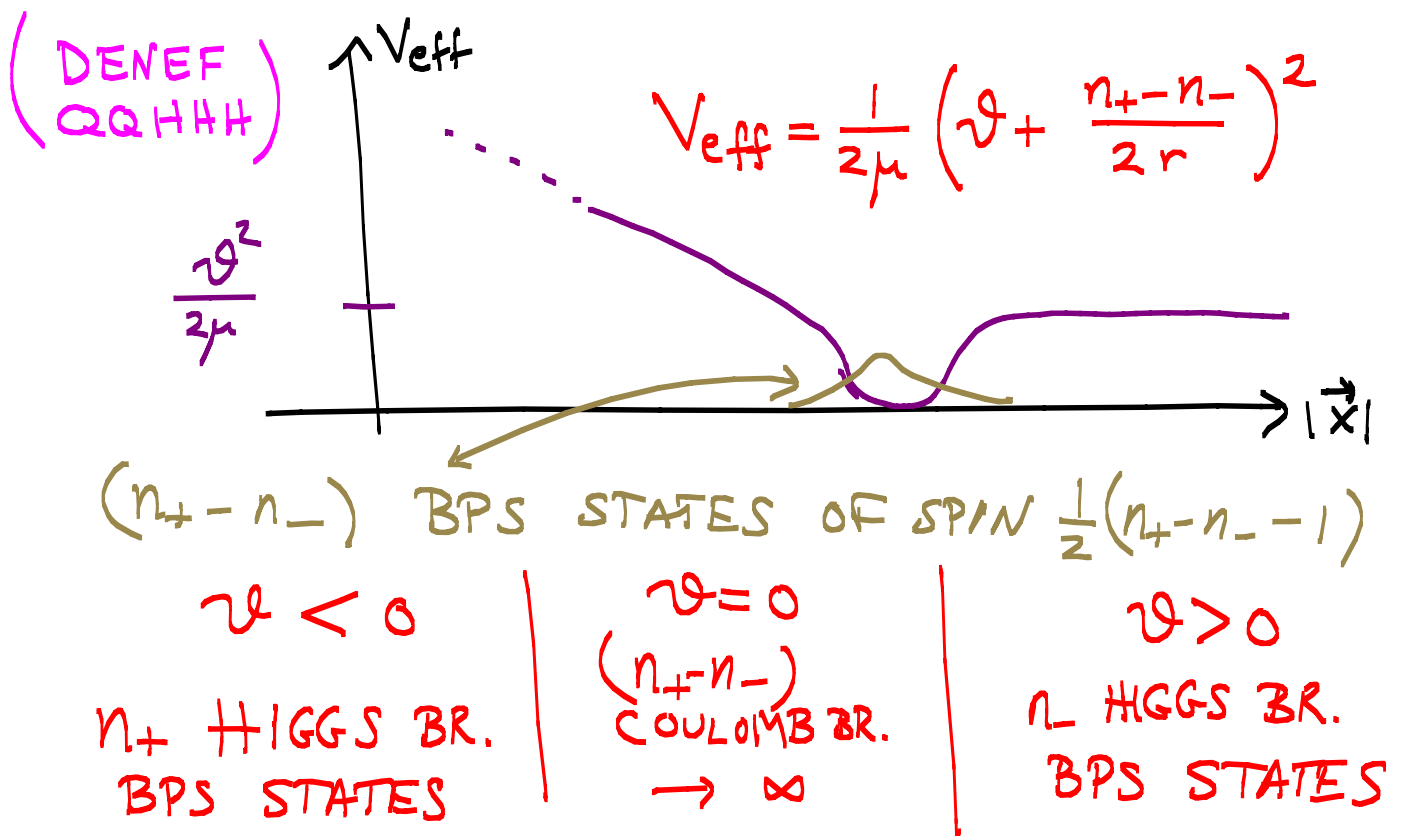
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1 VM  $(A_0, \vec{x}, \lambda)$

$n_{\pm}$  CM's  $(\vec{\Phi}_{\pm}, \vec{\Psi}_{\pm})$  CHARGE  $\pm 1$

SMALL  $|\langle \vec{x} \rangle| \Rightarrow$  HIGGS BRANCH = MODULI OF STABLE QUIVER REPS

LARGE  $|\langle \vec{x} \rangle| \Rightarrow$  INTEGRATE OUT  $\vec{\Phi}_{\pm} \Rightarrow$



# D. DERIVATION OF SEMI-PRIMITIVE WCF

## HALO STATES

SUPPOSE  $\langle \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rangle \neq 0$ ,

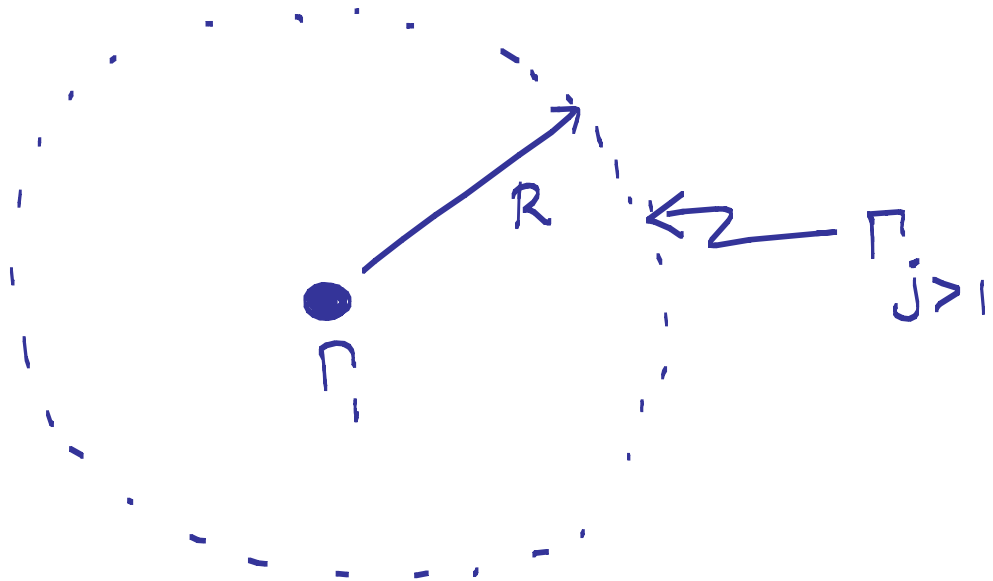
$$\Gamma_j = \lambda_j \Gamma_2 \quad \lambda_j > 0, j=2, \dots, N$$

ARE ALL MUTUALLY LOCAL

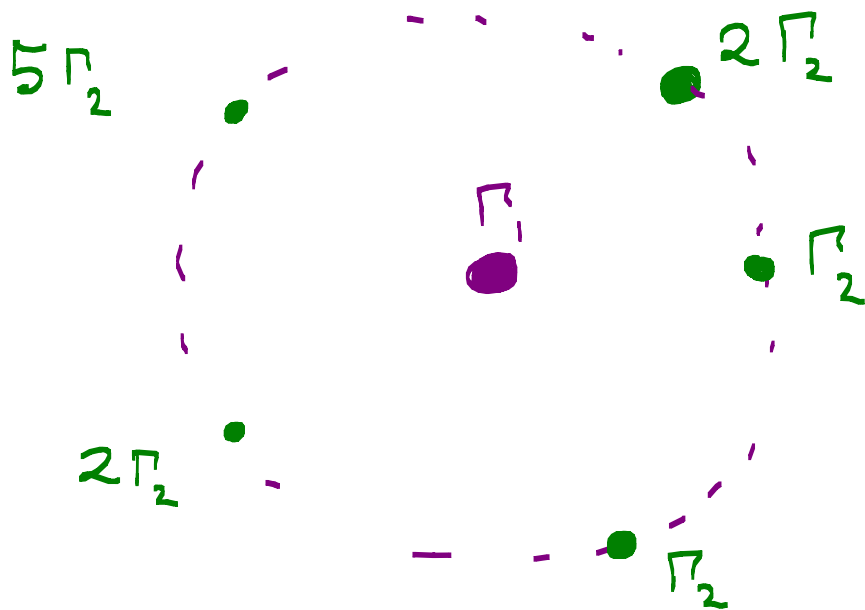
INTEGRABILITY CONDITIONS SAY

$$j \geq 2: \quad \frac{\langle \Gamma_j, \Gamma_1 \rangle}{|\vec{x}_j - \vec{x}_1|} = 2 \frac{\text{Im}(Z(\Gamma_j) \overline{Z(\Gamma)})}{|Z(\Gamma)|}$$

$\Rightarrow$  ALL  $|\vec{x}_j - \vec{x}_1|$  ARE EQUAL



CROSS  $MS(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2)$ : HALO RADIUS  $\nearrow \infty$



THE PARTICLES IN THE HALO  
GENERATE A FOCK SPACE WITH

$(J_{\Gamma_1, k\Gamma_2}) \otimes \mathcal{H}(k\Gamma_2; t_w)$  CREATION  
OPERATORS OF  
CHARGE  $k\Gamma_2$

ALL WALLS  $W(\Gamma_1, N\Gamma_2)$  COINCIDE  $\Rightarrow$   
CROSSING A WALL WE LOSE ENTIRE  
FOCK SPACE:

$$\Omega(\Gamma_1) + \sum_{N \geq 1} \Delta\Omega(\Gamma_1 \rightarrow \Gamma_1 + N\Gamma_2) u^N$$

$$= \Omega(\Gamma_1) \prod_{k > 0} \left( 1 - (-1)^{k \langle \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rangle} u^k \right)^{|\langle \Gamma_1, k\Gamma_2 \rangle| \Omega(k\Gamma_2)}$$



## 4. D6D2D0 SYSTEM

AN IMPORTANT AND USEFUL EXAMPLE IS THE SYSTEM OF 1 D6 BRANE WRAPPING  $X$ , BOUND TO D2 & D0 BRANES IN  $X$ .

$$\underset{D6}{H^0} \oplus \underset{D4}{H^2} \oplus \underset{D2}{H^4} \oplus \underset{D0}{H^6} \ni \Gamma = (p^0, p, q, q_0)$$

CONSIDER:  $\Gamma(\beta, n) := \Gamma = (1, 0, -\beta, n)$

$\beta = \text{P.D.}[\sigma] \quad \sigma \subset X$  HOLOMORPHIC CURVE

CHARGE OF (THE DUAL OF) AN IDEAL SHEAF:

$$\text{ch } \mathcal{I} \sqrt{\hat{A}} = 1 - \beta + ndV$$

CONSIDER BINDING THESE

TO D2D0 PARTICLES WITH CHARGE:

$$\Gamma_h = (0, 0, -\beta_h, n_h)$$

PLOT MARGINAL STABILITY CURVE

$$\mathbb{Z}(\Gamma(\beta, n); t) = \lambda \mathbb{Z}(\Gamma_h; t) \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+$$

$$\mathbb{Z}(\Gamma, t) = \frac{\langle \Gamma, \omega \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle \omega, \omega^* \rangle}}$$

SUGRA REGIME:  $\Omega = -e^t$

$$t = B + iJ$$

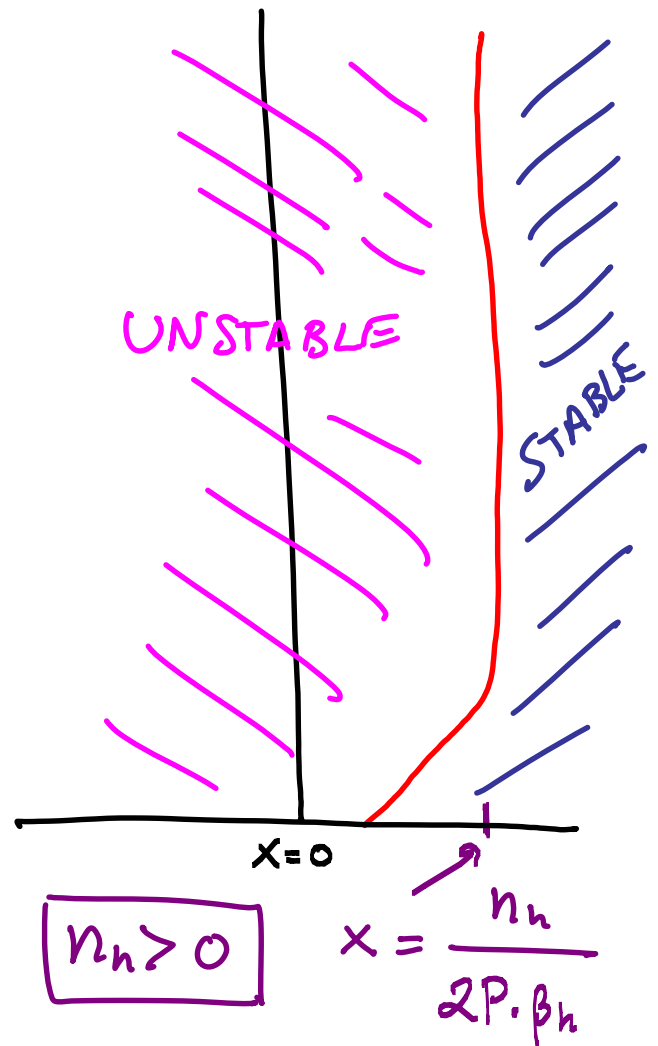
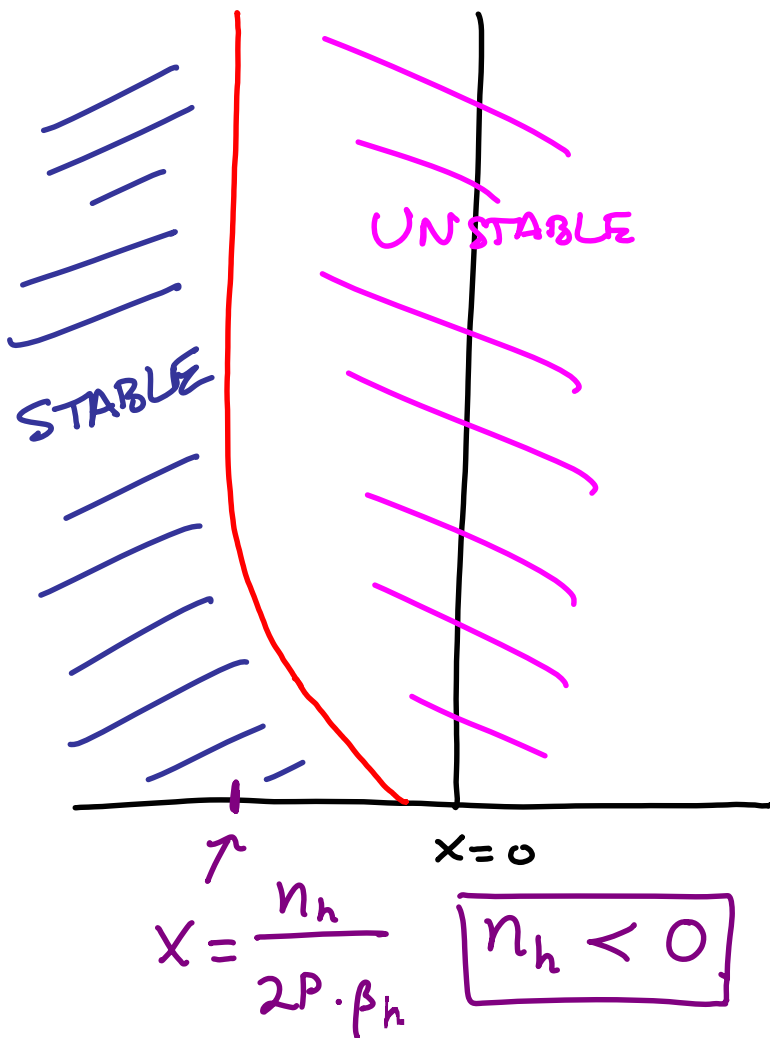
$$\boxed{\frac{t^3}{6} - \beta \cdot t - n = \lambda(-\beta_h \cdot t - n_h)} \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+$$

THESE WALLS EXTEND TO  $\infty$  IN  
THE KÄHLER CONE!

SET  $t = zP$

$P \in \mathcal{K}$

$z = x + iy$



CONSIDER THE HALO BOUNDSTATES  
WITH CENTRAL PARTICLE  $\Gamma(\beta, n)$  AS  
WE INCREASE THE B-FIELD

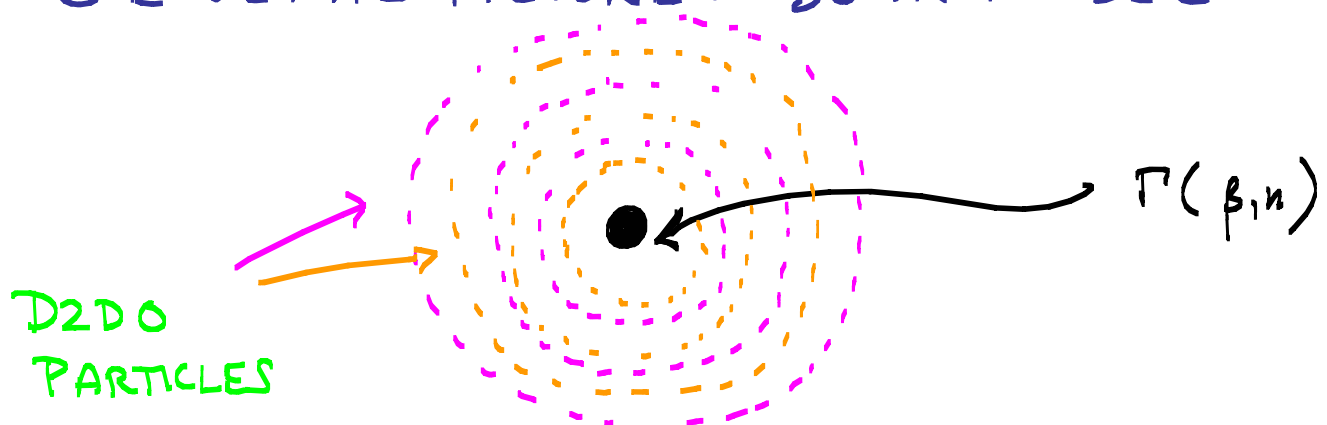
$$B = xP \quad x \text{ INCREASES}$$

HALOS OF D2DO PARTICLES  $(0, 0, -\beta_h, n_h)$ .  
APPEAR & DISAPPEAR.

FOR  $x > 0$

ALL  $n_h < 0$  STATES HAVE DECAYED.  
AS  $x \rightarrow +\infty$  WE MOVE INTO THE STABLE  
REGION FOR ALL  $n_h > 0$ , AND EVER  
LARGER "ATOMS" BECOME STABLE

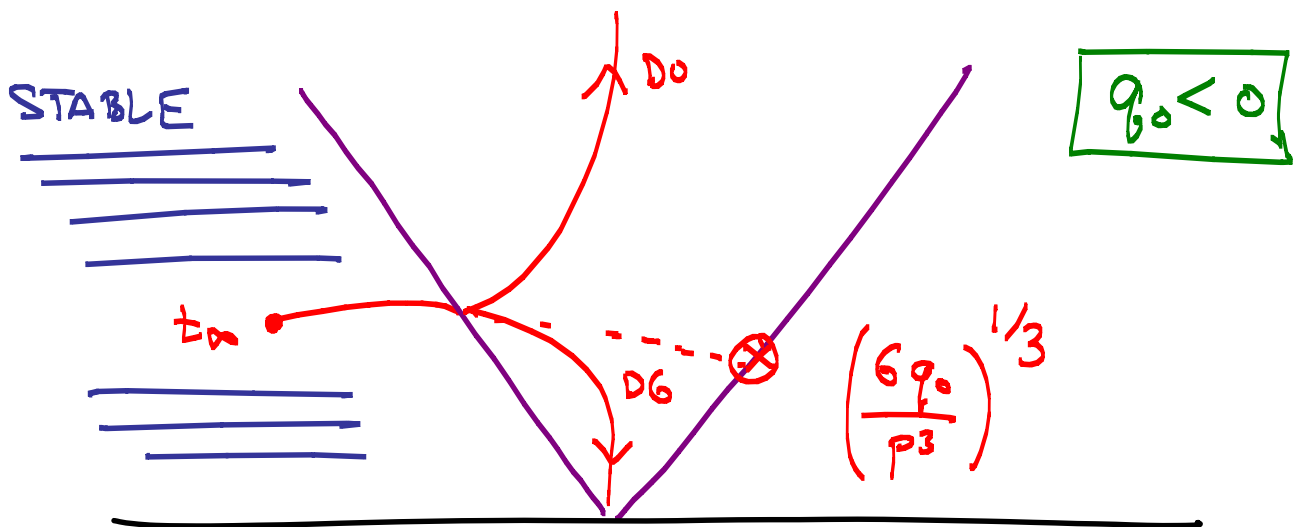
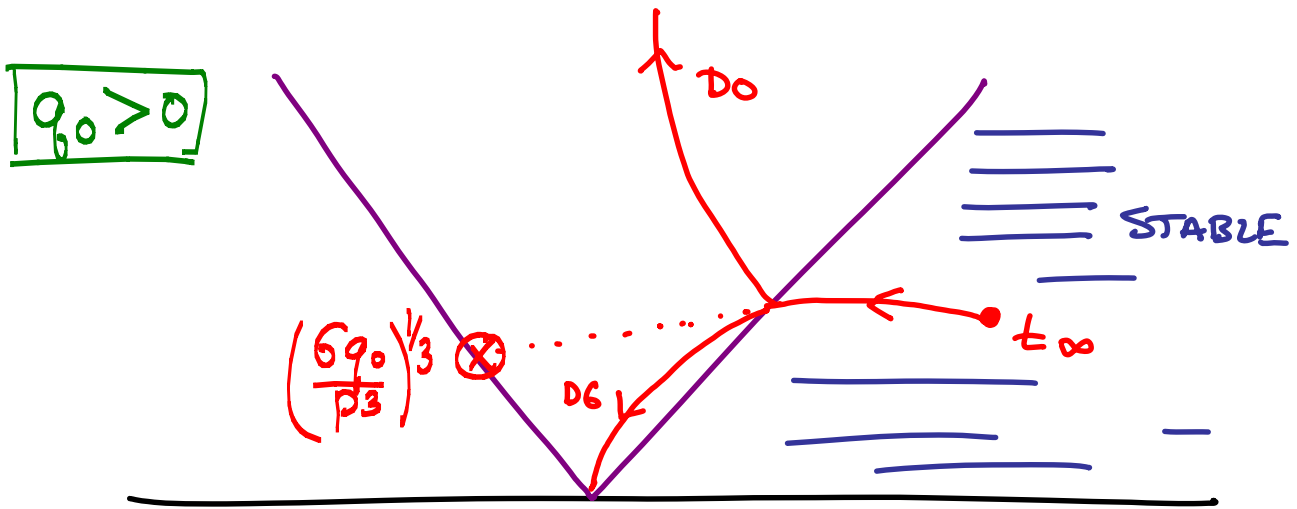
GENERAL PICTURE: BOHR MODEL



WHEN  $\beta_h = 0$  WALLS LOOK DIFFERENT

$$\Gamma = \underbrace{1}_{\Gamma_1} + \underbrace{q_0 dV}_{\Gamma_2} \quad Z = \frac{t^3}{6} - q_0$$

SET  $t = (x+iy)P \Rightarrow$  ZERO @  $z = \left(\frac{6q_0}{p^3}\right)^{1/3} P$



INTRODUCE GENERATING FUNCTION

$$Z_{D6D2D0}(u, v; t) := \sum_{n, \beta} \Omega(\Gamma(\beta, n); t) u^n v^\beta$$

SEMI-PRIMITIVE WALL-CROSSING FORMULA:

CONTRIBUTION OF FOCK SPACE GENERATED  
BY  $T_h = -\beta_h + n_h dV$  CROSSING INTO  
STABLE REGION:

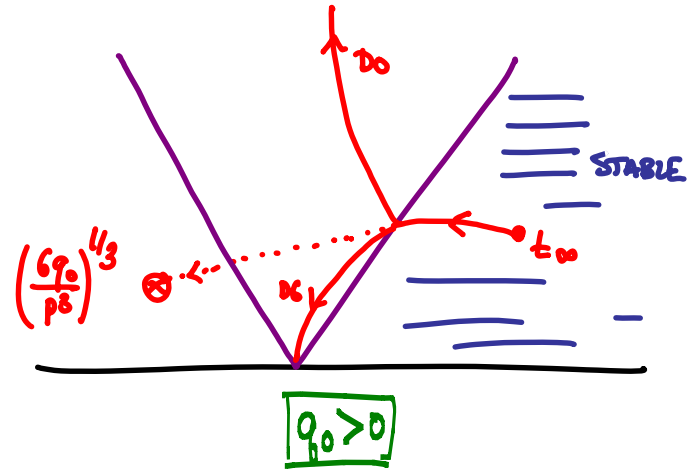
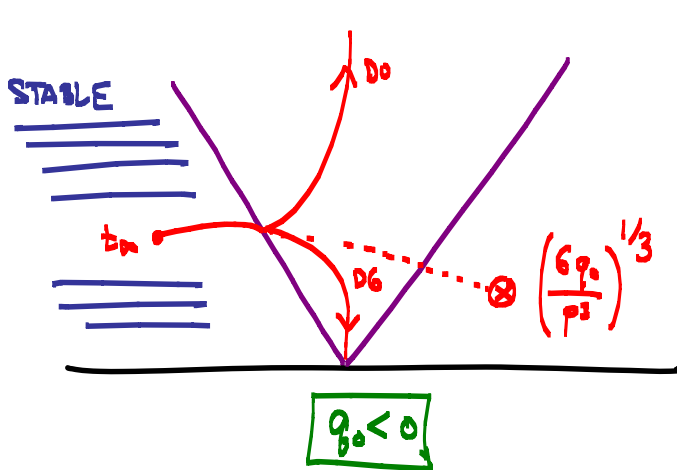
$$Z_{D6D2D0} \rightarrow \left(1 - (-u)^{n_h} v^{\beta_h}\right)^{|n_h|} n_{\beta_h}^0 Z_{D6D2D0}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(-\beta_h + n_h dV) &= \sum_{m_L, m_R} (-1)^{2m_L + 2m_R} N_{\beta_h}^{m_L m_R} \\ &= n_{\beta_h}^0 \end{aligned}$$

"SPIN ZERO GV INVARIANT" ( $\beta_h \neq 0$ )

EXAMPLE: D6D0

$$Z_{D6D0}(u) = \sum \Omega(1+q_0 dV; t) u^{q_0}$$



$$\Omega(q_0 dV) = -\chi(X)$$

$$Z_{D6D0}(u) = \begin{cases} (M(-u))^{\chi(X)} & \arg z < \frac{\pi}{3} \\ 1 & \frac{\pi}{3} < \arg z < \frac{2\pi}{3} \\ (M(-\bar{u}^{-1}))^{\chi(X)} & \frac{2\pi}{3} < \arg z \end{cases}$$

$$M(u) := \prod_{k \geq 1} (1 - u^k)^{-k}$$

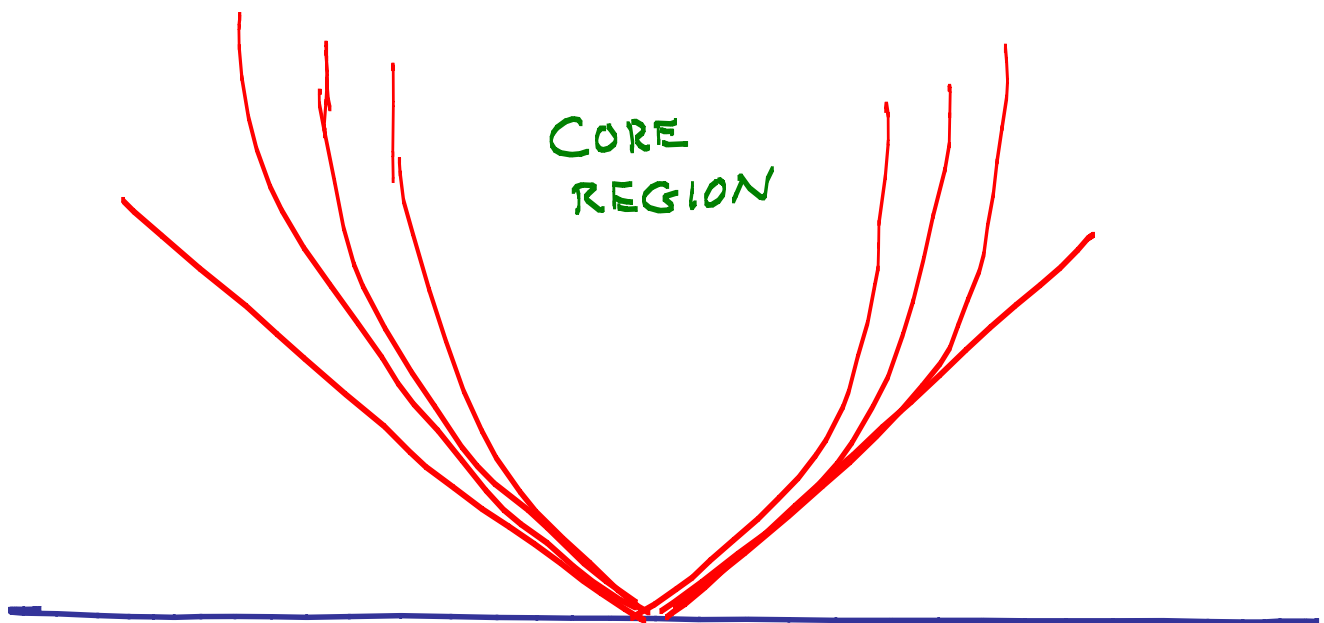
SIMILARLY, WALL-CROSSINGS FOR  
THE FULL  $Z_{D6D2D0}$  AS  $x \rightarrow \infty$   
BUILD UP AN INFINITE PRODUCT  
SIMILAR TO THE INFINITE  
PRODUCT FORM OF  $Z_{DT}(u,v)$

ON THE OTHER HAND, AN ARGUMENT  
FROM M-THEORY [Dijkgraaf, Verlinde, Vafa; Denef, Moore]  
IMPLIES:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} Z_{D6D2D0}(u,v; z^p) = Z_{DT}(u,v)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} Z_{D6D2D0}(u,v; z^p) = Z_{DT}(\bar{u}', v)$$





- STATES IN CORE REGION ARE COMPLICATED BOUND STATES
- PRODUCT OF WALL-CROSSINGS  $\Rightarrow$

$$Z_{DT}^{', r=0}(u, v) = \prod_{\beta > 0, k > 0} \left( 1 - (-u)^k v^\beta \right)^{k n_\beta^0}$$

- LIMIT FOR  $x \rightarrow +\infty$  :

$$Z_{DT}'(u, v) = \underbrace{Z_{DT}^{', r=0}(u, v)}_{\text{HALOS}} \underbrace{Z_{DT}^{', r>0}(u, v)}_{\text{CORES}}$$

$$Z_{DT}^{', r>0}(u, v) = \prod_{\substack{\beta > 0, k > 0 \\ r > 0}} \prod_{l=0}^{2r-2} \left( 1 - (-u)^{r-l-1} v^\beta \right)^{(-1)^{r+l} \binom{2r-2}{l} n_\beta^r}$$

## 5. THE D4-D2-D0 SYSTEM: MODULARITY

NOW CONSIDER  $p^0 = 0$

$$\Gamma = P + Q + q_0 dV$$

REGULAR ATTRACTOR POINT:

$P$  IN KÄHLER CONE  $\hat{q}_0 < 0$

$$\hat{q}_0 := q_0 - \frac{1}{2} (D_{ABC} P^C)^{-1} Q_A Q_B$$

THESE ARE BLACK HOLES:

$$\text{HORIZON AREA} = 4 S(\Gamma) = 4\pi |Z_*(\Gamma)|^2$$

$$S(\Gamma) = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{6}} \cdot \sqrt{-\hat{q}_0 \chi(P)}$$

$$\chi(P) := P^3 + c_2 \cdot P > 0 \text{ FOR } P \in \text{KÄHLER CONE}$$

EXPECT:  $\log \Omega(\Gamma; t) \sim S(\Gamma)$   
FOR "LARGE"  $\Gamma$  AND "LARGE"  $\text{Im} t$

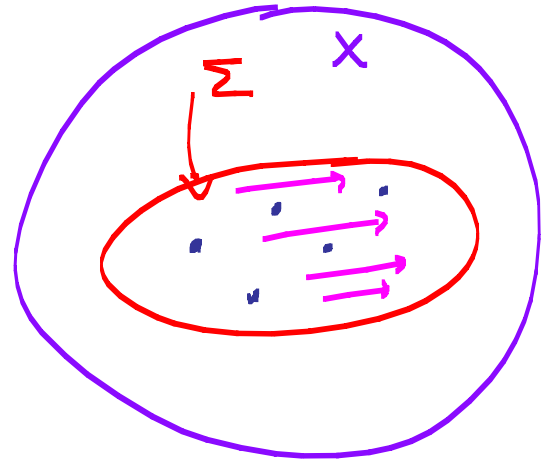
## A. ROUGH MICROSCOPIC DESCRIPTION

FOR LARGE  $J$ : SINGLE D4 WRAPS  $\Sigma \in |P|$

$$\chi(P) = P^3 + c_2 \cdot P = \text{EULER CHARACTER OF } \Sigma$$

FLUX  $F \in H^2(\Sigma, \mathbb{Z})$

AND  $N$   $\overline{D0}$ 's



COMPUTE INDUCED RR CHARGES:

D2:  $Q = (2\Sigma)_*(F)$

Do:  $\hat{q}_0 = \frac{\chi(P)}{24} + \frac{1}{2}(F^-)^2 - N$

SUSY  $\Rightarrow N \geq 0, F^{2,0} = 0 \Rightarrow (F^-)^2 \leq 0 \Rightarrow$

$$\hat{q}_0 \leq (\hat{q}_0)_{\max} = \frac{\chi(P)}{24}$$

$\mathcal{M}(P, F, N) :=$  MODULI OF SUCH  $D_4$ 's

$$\mathrm{Hilb}^N(\Sigma) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{M}(P, F, N)$$

ROUGHLY:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \Sigma_{\text{smooth}} & \hookrightarrow & \{\Sigma \in |\mathcal{P}| \mid F \in H^{1,1}(\Sigma)\} \end{array}$$

// MODULI OF STABLE OBJECTS  $E$   
IN THE DERIVED CATEGORY  
WITH SPECIFIED CHERN CLASSES //

$$\mathrm{ch} E \sqrt{\hat{A}} = P + Q + q_0 \quad (*)$$

$$= \bigcup_{\substack{P, N \\ \text{s.t.} \\ (*)}} \mathcal{M}(P, F, N)$$

## B. INDEX OF BPS STATES

$$"\Omega(\Gamma)_\infty := \lim_{J \rightarrow \infty} \Omega(\Gamma; B+iJ)"$$

$$d(F, N) := (-1)^{\dim \mathcal{M}} \chi(\mathcal{M}(P, F, N))$$

$$\Omega(\Gamma)_\infty = \text{FINITE SUM OF } d(F, N)$$

SURPRISE: WHEN  $h''(x) > 1$  THERE ARE SPLITTINGS @  $\infty$ :

$$\Gamma = P + Q + q_0 dV$$

$$= (P' + Q' + q'_0 dV) + (P'' + Q'' + q''_0 dV)$$

$$\text{WITH: } \sqrt{-\hat{q}_0'' (P'')^3} > \sqrt{-\hat{q}_0 P^3}$$

$\Rightarrow$  EVEN THE LEADING ORDER

ENTROPY IS CHAMBER DEPENDENT

[E. ANDRIYASH + G. M.]

• FOR  $\Gamma = P + Q + q \cdot dV$ ,

$P \in \text{KÄHLER CONE}$ ,  $\exists$  DISTINGUISHED  
CHAMBER:

$$\Omega(\Gamma)_{\infty} := \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \Omega(\Gamma; B + i\lambda P)$$

CLAIM: LIMIT EXISTS & IS  
B-INDEPENDENT

(FINITENESS OF ATTRACTOR FLOW TREES)

HENCEFORTH WORK IN THIS  
CHAMBER.

## C. MODULARITY

$$\tau \in \mathcal{H} \quad \& \quad C \in \mathcal{L}_{\Sigma}^*(H^2(X, \mathbb{C}))$$

$$\mathbb{Z}(\tau, \bar{\tau}, C) :=$$

$$\sum_{F, N} d(F, N) \exp \left\{ -2\pi i \tau \hat{q}_0 - 2\pi i \bar{\tau} \frac{1}{2}(F^+)^2 - 2\pi i F \cdot (C + \frac{P}{2}) \right\}$$

SUSY PARTITION FUNCTION OF D3 INSTANTON

U-DUALITY  $\Rightarrow$

$\mathbb{Z}(\tau, \bar{\tau}, C)$  is a JACOBI FORM  $\Rightarrow$

$$\mathbb{Z}(\tau, \bar{\tau}, C) = \sum_{\mu \in L^*/L} H_{\mu}(\tau) \underbrace{\oplus_{\mu, L}(\tau, \bar{\tau}, C)}_{\text{SIEGEL-NARAIN}}$$

$$L := \mathcal{L}_{\Sigma}^*(H^2(X, \mathbb{Z})) \subset \underbrace{H^2(\Sigma; \mathbb{Z})}_{\text{SELF-DUAL}}$$

$\ell \in L$  IS ALWAYS IN  $H^{1,1}(\Sigma) \Rightarrow$

$$d(F + \ell, N) = d(F, N) \quad \forall \ell \in L$$

- $H_\mu(\tau)$  IS A VECTOR-VALUED NEARLY HOLO.

MODULAR FORM OF WEIGHT  $W = -1 - \frac{h''(x)}{2}$

AND MULTIPLIER SYSTEM  $M^*$  DUAL TO THAT OF  $\oplus_{\mu \in L}$

- $W < 0 \Rightarrow H_\mu$  IS DETERMINED BY ITS POLAR TERMS.

SUPPRESS  $\mu$ -INDEX FOR SIMPLICITY:

$$H(\tau) = \sum_{\hat{q}_0} \Omega(\Gamma)_\infty e^{-2\pi i \hat{q}_0 \tau}$$

$$= \underbrace{\sum_{0 < \hat{q}_0 \leq \frac{\chi(p)}{24}} (\dots)}_{\text{POLAR}} + \underbrace{\sum_{-\infty < \hat{q}_0 \leq 0} (\dots)}_{\text{NONPOLAR}}$$



## D. MACROSCOPIC POLAR STATES

IF  $\Gamma = (0, P, Q, q_0) = P + Q + q_0 dV$

IS POLAR:  $0 < \hat{q}_0 \leq (\hat{q}_0)_{\max}$

THEN  $Z(\Gamma; t)$  HAS A ZERO.

INDEED 
$$S(\Gamma) = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{6}} \cdot \sqrt{-\hat{q}_0 \chi(P)}$$

SO NO SINGLE-CENTERED SOLUTION

BUT  $H(\tau)$  HAS  $W < 0 \Rightarrow$  SOME  
POLAR DEGENERACIES ARE NONZERO

$\Rightarrow$  THESE MUST BE REALIZED AS  
SPLIT ATTRACTOR STATES.

## SIMPLE EXAMPLE

$$\text{PURE D4 : } \Gamma = P + q_0 dV$$

$$\text{WITH } q_0 = \hat{q}_0 = (\hat{q}_0)_{\max} = \frac{\chi(P)}{24}$$

FIND ONLY ONE SPLITTING

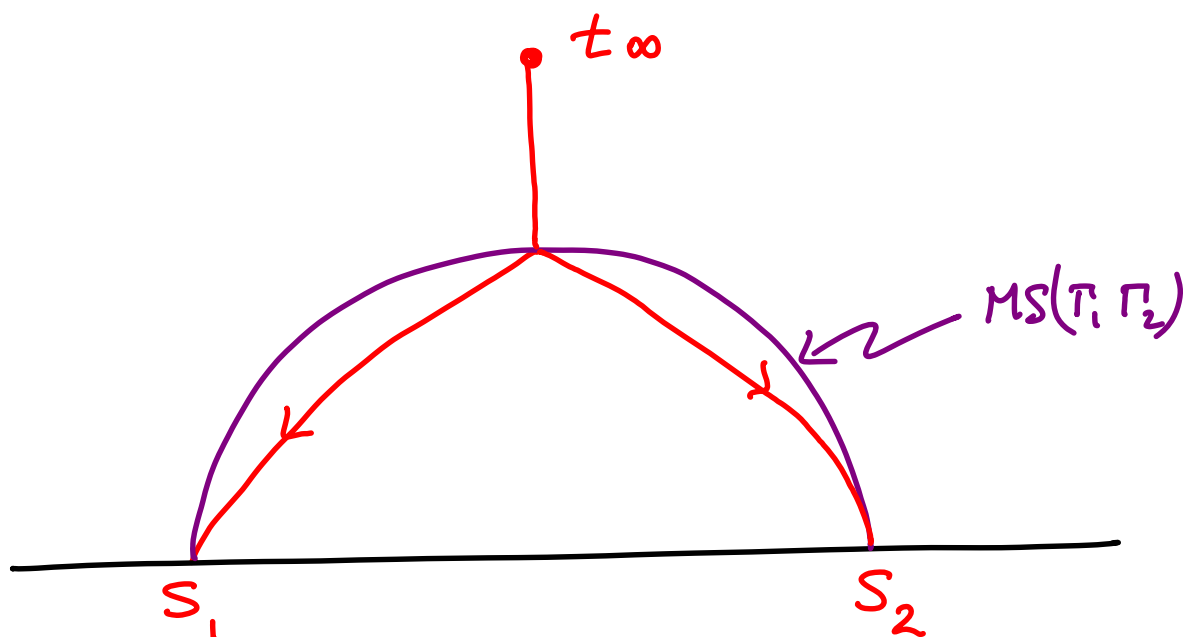
$$\Gamma = P + q_0 dV = \Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2$$

$$= \underbrace{e^{S_1} \left(1 + \frac{C_2(x)}{24}\right)}_{\text{1 D6 WITH FLUX } S_1} - \underbrace{e^{S_2} \left(1 + \frac{C_2(x)}{24}\right)}_{\text{1 D6 w/ FLX } S_2}$$

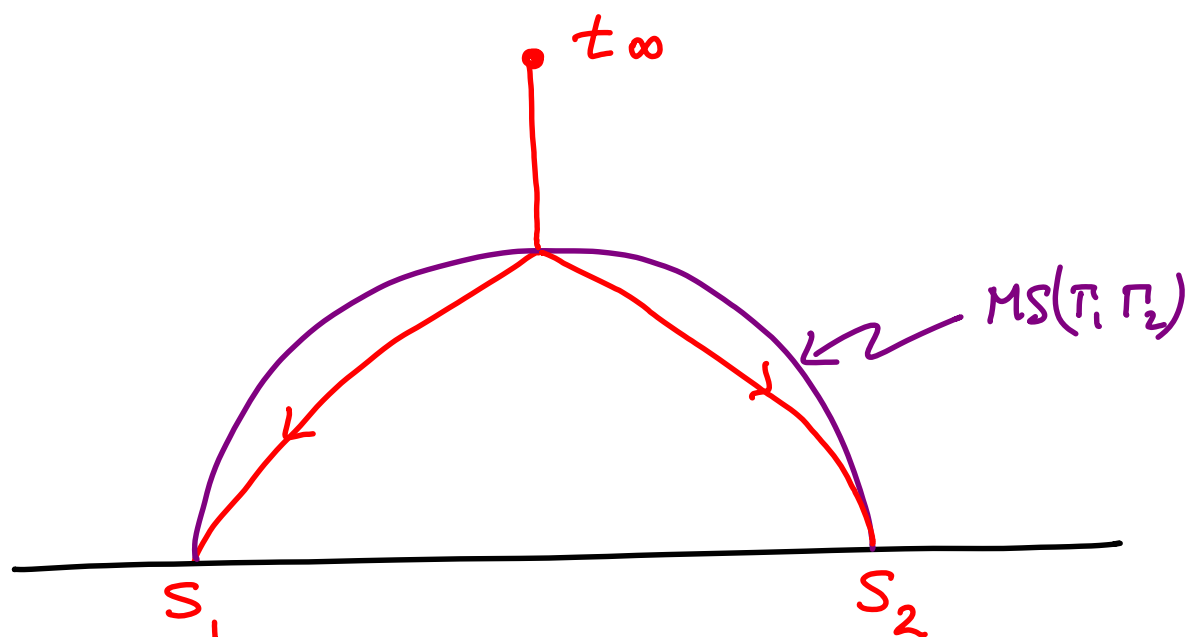
1 D6 WITH FLUX =  $S_1$

1 D6 w/ FLX  $S_2$

$$S_1 - S_2 = P$$



MOREOVER - YOU CAN COMPUTE THE  
POLAR DEGENERACY:



$$\Omega(\Gamma, t_\infty) = (-1)^{I_{12}-1} |\mathcal{I}_{12}| \Omega(\Gamma_1) \Omega(\Gamma_2) = (-1)^{\frac{I_{12}-1}{2}} |\mathcal{I}_{12}|$$

$$I_{12} = \langle \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \rangle = \frac{p^3}{6} + \frac{c_2(X) \cdot p}{12}$$

INDEED = THE CORRECT ANSWER FOR  
 $\chi(\text{MODULI OF PURE } D_4) = \chi(|P|)$

DESCRIBING THE SPLIT ATTRACTOR  
FLOWS FOR  $0 < \hat{q}_0 < \frac{\chi(p)}{24}$   
IS MUCH MORE COMPLICATED...

IN GENERAL, POLAR STATES CAN  
BE VERY COMPLICATED SPLIT  
ATTRACTORS, REALIZED IN MANY  
DIFFERENT WAYS....

BUT IN THE LIMIT  $p \rightarrow \infty$  WE CAN  
SAY SOMETHING

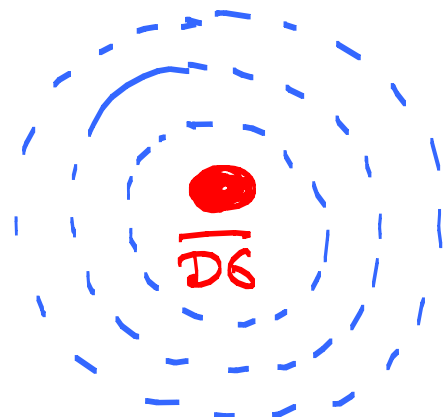
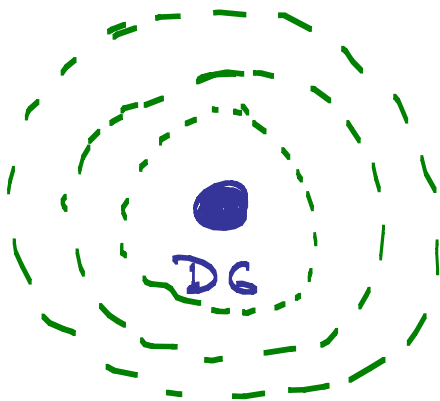
# EXTREME POLAR STATES

$$H^{\text{POLAR}}(\tau) = \underbrace{|I_p| e^{-2\pi i \tau \frac{\chi(p)}{24}} + \dots}_{\text{"EXTREME POLAR"}} + \underbrace{O\left(e^{\frac{-2\pi i \tau}{|p|}}\right)}_{\text{"BARELY POLAR"}}$$

E.P.S. CONJECTURE:  $\exists \epsilon < 1$  SO THAT

$$\frac{\hat{q}_0^{\max} - \hat{q}_0}{\hat{q}_0^{\max}} < \epsilon \Rightarrow$$

POLAR STATES SPLIT AS  $D6\overline{D6}$  + HALOS:



$$\Gamma_1 = e^{S_1} (1 - \beta_1 + n_1 dV)$$

$$\Gamma_2 = -e^{S_2} (1 - \beta_2 + n_2 dV)$$

## 6. ROUTE TO THE OSV CONJECTURE

A. BY THE W.C.F. THE (EXTREME)  
POLAR DEGENERACIES GO LIKE

$$\Omega(D6-D2-D0) \times \Omega(\overline{D6-D2-D0})$$

B. BUT BPS INVARIANTS OF  
THE D6-D2-D0 SYSTEM ARE  
RELATED TO GROMOV-WITTEN  
INVARIANTS COUNTING WORLDSHEET  
INSTANTONS IN X

SO, BY THE W.C.F. TOGETHER  
WITH RESULTS ON  $Z_{DGD_2D_0}$   
THE EXTREME POLAR  
DEGENERACIES ARE RELATED

$$|Z_{\text{TOP}}|^2$$

SUGGESTING A RELATION LIKE  
THE GSV CONJECTURE

$$\Omega(\Gamma)_\infty = \int d\phi \, |Z_{\text{top}}(g_{\text{top}}, t)|^2 e^{-2\pi g \cdot \phi}$$

- $\exists$  STRONG ARGUMENTS FOR  $|\hat{q}_0| \gg P^3$
- $\exists$  POTENTIAL COUNTEREXAMPLES FOR  $|\hat{q}_0| \lesssim P^3$ : "ENTROPY ENIGMA"

IN THE CHARGE REGIME

$$g_{\text{top}} \sim \sqrt{\frac{-\hat{g}_0}{p^3}} \lesssim \mathcal{O}(1)$$

THE DERIVATION IN DENEF-MOORE  
BREAKS DOWN.

- BARELY POLAR DEGENERACIES  
BECOME LARGE

- CORRECTIONS TO THE CARDY  
FORMULA BECOME LARGE.

THERE IS A GOOD PHYSICAL  
REASON THE DERIVATION BREAKS  
DOWN ...



# ENTROPY ENIGMA

NOW CHOOSE  $q_0 < 0$ ,  $P$  AMPLE SO

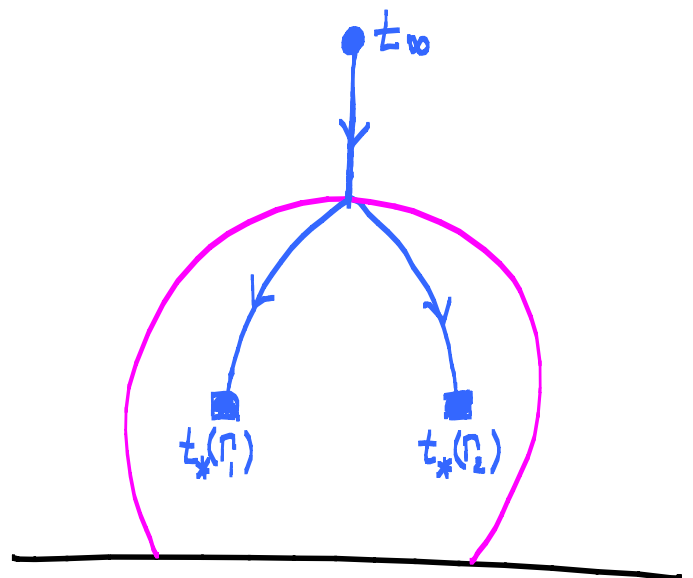
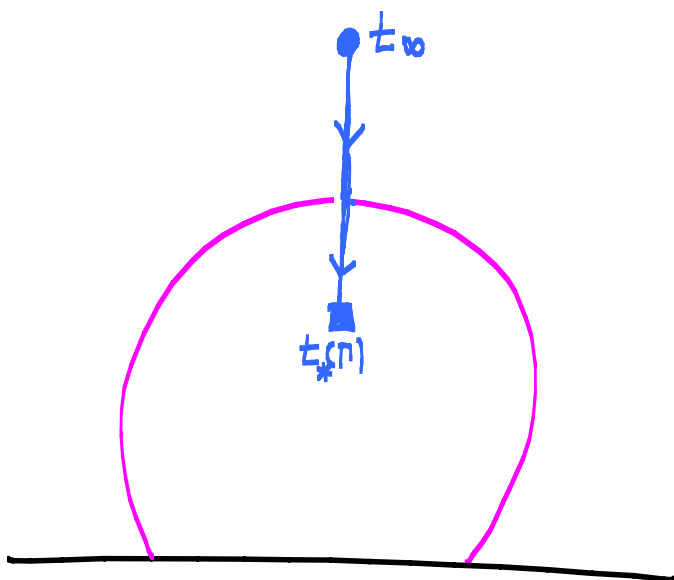
$$\Gamma = (0, P, 0, q_0)$$

HAS A REGULAR ATTRACTOR POINT

NEVERTHELESS! WE CAN CHOOSE

$q_0, Q_A$  SO THAT  $\exists$  A TWO-CENTERED  
SOLUTION WITH  $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2$

$$\Gamma_1 = (r, \frac{1}{2}P, Q, \frac{1}{2}q_0) \quad \Gamma_2 = (-r, \frac{1}{2}P, -Q, \frac{1}{2}q_0)$$



BOTH SOLUTIONS EXIST

SO... COMPARE ENTROPIES

$$S(\Gamma) \quad \text{vs.} \quad S(\Gamma_1) + S(\Gamma_2)$$

IN FACT,

$\exists$  FAMILY OF CHARGES

$$\lambda \Gamma = \lambda(0, P, 0, q_0) = \Gamma_1^\lambda + \Gamma_2^\lambda$$

$$\Gamma_1^\lambda = (r, \frac{\lambda}{2} P, \lambda^2 Q, \frac{\lambda}{2} q_0) \quad \Gamma_2^\lambda = (-r, \frac{\lambda}{2} P, -\lambda^2 Q, \frac{\lambda}{2} q_0)$$

SCALING OF ENTROPIES:

$$S(\lambda \Gamma) = \lambda^2 S(\Gamma)$$

BUT!

$$S(\Gamma_1^\lambda) = S(\Gamma_2^\lambda) \sim \frac{(\lambda P)^3}{r} \sim \lambda^3$$

$\Rightarrow$  MANY IMPLICATIONS FOR PHYSICS & MATHEMATICS

## SOME TECHNICAL DETAILS

1. CONSTRUCT A FAMILY OF 2-CENTERED

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_1^\lambda = (r, \frac{p}{2}, Q, \lambda^{-2} \frac{q_0}{2})$$

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_2^\lambda = (-r, \frac{p}{2}, -Q, \lambda^{-2} \frac{q_0}{2})$$

$\Gamma_i^\lambda$  CAN BE 1-CENTERED BH'S OR  
CAN THEMSELVES BE POLAR

2. ATTRACTOR FORMALISM HAS A  
SCALING SYMMETRY UNDER

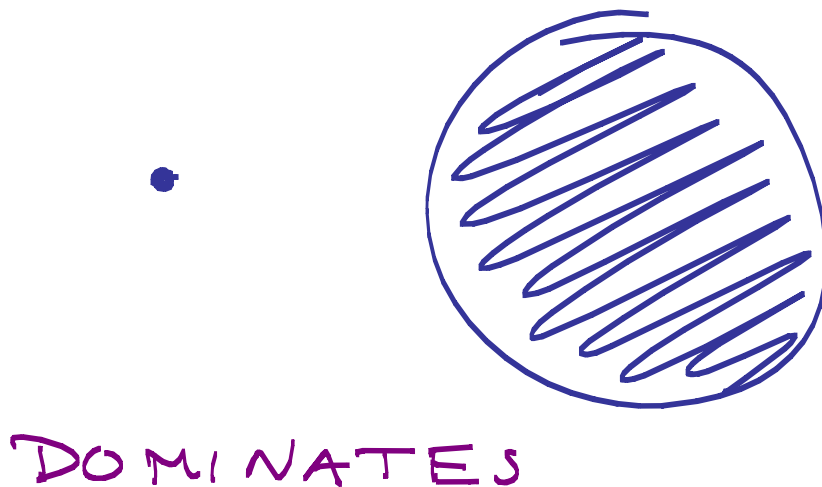
$$T_\lambda(p^0, p, Q, q_0) = (p^0, \lambda p, \lambda^2 Q, \lambda^3 q_0)$$

$$S(T_\lambda \Gamma) = \lambda^3 S(\Gamma)$$

3. APPLY TO  $T_\lambda \tilde{\Gamma}_1^\lambda + T_\lambda \tilde{\Gamma}_2^\lambda = \lambda \Gamma$

RECENTLY, DEBOER ET. AL.

SHOWED THAT IF WE SPLIT  
THE D2-D0 CHARGE ASYMMETRICALLY  
BETWEEN THE TWO CENTERS  
THEN THE COEFFICIENT OF THE  
 $\lambda^3$  GROWTH CAN BE INCREASED:



BUT BOTH CONTRIBUTIONS SCALE  
LIKE  $\lambda^3$ .

## DEGENERACY DICHOTOMY

- WE HAVE FOUND CONTRIBUTIONS TO  $\Omega(\lambda\Gamma)_\infty$  GROWING LIKE  $e^{\lambda^3}$
- IF INDEED  $\Omega(\lambda\Gamma)_\infty \sim e^{\lambda^3}$  THEN WEAK COUPLING OSV IS WRONG, SINCE  $\text{OSV} \Rightarrow \Omega(\lambda\Gamma)_\infty \sim e^{\lambda^2}$ .

- BUT  $\Omega(\lambda\Gamma)_\infty$  IS AN INDEX. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT

$$\Omega(\lambda\Gamma)_\infty = \sum \pm e^{\lambda^3} \sim e^{\lambda^2}$$

- WE ARGUE THAT THIS IS UNLIKELY, BUT IT IS NOT EXCLUDED.

SUPPOSE THAT THERE ARE  
"MAGICAL CANCELLATIONS" AND

$$\Omega(\lambda\Gamma)_\infty \sim e^{\lambda^2}$$

• THIS RAISES THE QUESTION  
OF  $\dim \mathcal{H}(\Gamma; t)$  vs.  $\Omega(\Gamma; t)$

• PHYSICALLY: THE DIMENSION IS RELEVANT

• BUT ALL TESTS OF THE STROMINGER-  
VAFSA PROGRAM USE THE INDEX  
(WITH ONE EXCEPTION).

• IT IS  $\nabla$  TO SUPPOSE THAT IN  
THE EXACT THEORY, NONPTEE  
STRINGY EFFECTS GIVE:

$$\dim \mathcal{H}(\Gamma; t) = \Omega(\Gamma; t)$$

IF WE GRANT THIS POINT,  
AND IF, MOREOVER, THERE ARE  
"MAGICAL CANCELLATIONS" SO THAT  
 $\log \Omega(0, \lambda p, 0, \lambda q_0) \sim \lambda^2$

THEN THE SPECTRUM OF  
NEAR-BPS STATES TAKES A  
REMARKABLE FORM:

$$E - |Z| = 0 \quad \sim e^{\lambda^2} \text{ states}$$

$$E - |Z| \sim e^{-1/g_s} \quad \sim e^{\lambda^3} \text{ states}$$

## 7. KONTSEVICH-SOIBELMAN FORMULA

THE KS FORMULA IS A RELATION BETWEEN  $\Omega(\Gamma; t_{\pm})$  ACROSS MS WALLS WITH NO RESTRICTION ON PRIMITIVITY OF CONSTITUENTS.

- NO PHYSICAL DERIVATION YET

EVIDENCE THAT KES  $\Omega(\Gamma; t)$ 's

ARE THE SAME AS PHYSICAL  $\Omega(\Gamma; t)$ 's.

- CAN RECOVER PRIMITIVE WCF
- CAN RECOVER SEMI-PRIMITIVE WCF
- NONTRIVIAL CHECKS FOR  $SU(2)$  SEIBERG-WITTEN WITH  $N_f = 0, 1, 2, 3$  HYPERMULTIPLETS

(LAST TWO ARE RESULTS W/ Wu-yen Chuang)



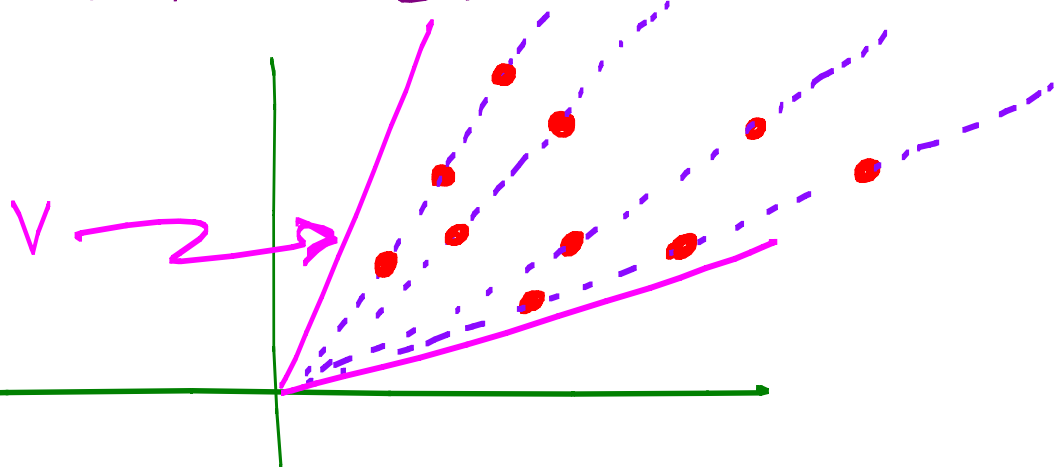
# THE KONTSEVICH-SOIBELMAN FORMULA

FOR THE LATTICE  $\Lambda$  OF CHARGES  
INTRODUCE A LIE ALGEBRA  $\mathbb{Z}[\Lambda]$   
WITH ONE GENERATOR FOR EACH  
 $\gamma \in \Lambda$ :

$$[e_{\gamma_1}, e_{\gamma_2}] = (-1)^{\langle \gamma_1, \gamma_2 \rangle} \langle \gamma_1, \gamma_2 \rangle e_{\gamma_1 + \gamma_2}$$

① FIXED  $\pm$ ,  $Z: \Lambda \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  
CHOOSE ANY CONVEX ANGULAR SECTOR  $V$

$\mathbb{N}$



$$\prod_{\gamma \in \bar{Z}^+(V) \cap \Lambda} \left( \exp \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{e_n \gamma}{n^2} \right) \Omega^-(\gamma)$$

INCREASING  
SLOPE

$$\prod_{\gamma \in \bar{Z}^-(V) \cap \Lambda} \left( \exp \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{e_n \gamma}{n^2} \right) \Omega^+(\gamma)$$

DECREASING  
SLOPE

AT A GENERIC POINT  $t \in MS(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2)$

$$\mathbb{Z}(\Gamma; t) \parallel \mathbb{Z}_1, \mathbb{Z}_2 \implies$$

$$\Gamma = \Gamma_{a,b} = a\Gamma_1 + b\Gamma_2$$

$(\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2 \text{ primitive})$

FOR SMALL CONE ANGLE ONLY THE  
LIE SUBALGEBRA  $\mathbb{Z}\Gamma_1 + \mathbb{Z}\Gamma_2$   
CONTRIBUTES:

$$[e_{a,b}, e_{c,d}] = (-1)^{(ad-bc)\mathbb{I}_{12}} (ad-bc)\mathbb{I}_{12} e_{a+c, b+d}$$

DEFINE:

$$U_{a,b} := \exp\left(\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{e_{ma, mb}}{m^2}\right)$$

$$\prod_{\substack{a/b \uparrow \\ a \geq 0}} U_{a,b}^{\bar{\Omega}(\Gamma_{a,b})} = \prod_{\substack{a/b \downarrow \\ a \geq 0}} U_{a,b}^{\Omega^+(\Gamma_{a,b})}$$

LIE ALGEBRA IS FILTERED  $\Rightarrow$   
CAN RESTRICT TO

Heisenberg  
Algebra  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} [e_{0,1}, e_{1,0}] = (-1)^{I_{12}-1} I_{12} e_{1,1} \\ e_{1,1} \text{ CENTRAL} \end{array} \right.$

$$U_{0,1}^{\Omega^-(\Gamma_1)} U_{1,1}^{\Omega^-(\Gamma_1+\Gamma_2)} U_{1,0}^{\Omega^-(\Gamma_2)}$$

$$= U_{1,0}^{\Omega^+(\Gamma_2)} U_{1,1}^{\Omega^+(\Gamma_1+\Gamma_2)} U_{0,1}^{\Omega^+(\Gamma_1)}$$

$$\boxed{U_{0,1} U_{1,0} = U_{1,1}^{\pm I_{12}} \cdot U_{1,0} U_{0,1}} \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} U_{1,1}^{\Omega^+(\Gamma_1+\Gamma_2) - \Omega^-(\Gamma_1+\Gamma_2)} &= U_{0,1}^{\Omega(\Gamma_1)} U_{1,0}^{\Omega(\Gamma_2)} U_{0,1}^{-\Omega(\Gamma_1)} U_{1,0}^{-\Omega(\Gamma_2)} \\ &= U_{1,1}^{I_{12}} \Omega(\Gamma_1) \Omega(\Gamma_2) \end{aligned}$$

PRIMITIVE W.C. FORMULA!

# SU(2) SEIBERG-WITTEN THEORY

$\Gamma_1$  = MONOPOLE

$\Gamma_2$  = DYON



$$[e_{a,b}, e_{c,d}] = 2(bc - ad) e_{a+c, b+d}$$

STRONG :  $\pm(1,0), \pm(0,1)$   $\Omega = +1$  HM

WEAK :  $\pm(1,1)$   $\Omega = -2$  VM

$\pm(n, n+1), \pm(n+1, n)$   $\Omega = +1$  HM

STRONG  $U_{1,0} \cdot U_{0,1}$

WEAK :

$$(U_{0,1} U_{1,2} U_{2,3} \dots) U_{1,1}^{-2} (\dots U_{3,2} U_{2,1} U_{1,0})$$

EQUALITY APPEARS TO BE TRUE!

$\Rightarrow$  NEW IDENTITIES FOR  $N_f = 1, 2, 3$

## 8. SOME OPEN PROBLEMS

- a.) PHYSICAL DERIVATION OF THE KS FORMULA
- b.) HOW TO COMPUTE POLAR DEGENERACIES EFFECTIVELY?
- c.) RESOLVE THE QUESTION OF THE ENTROPY ENIGMA: ARE THERE CANCELLATIONS BRINGING  $e^{\lambda^3} \rightarrow e^{\lambda^2}$ ?
- d.) IS THERE AN OSV-LIKE RELATION FOR  $\Omega(\Gamma, t_*(\Gamma))$ ? DO THESE ENJOY AUTOMORPHY PROPERTIES?