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## **SPRING WORKSHOP ON SUPERSTRINGS AND RELATED MATTERS**

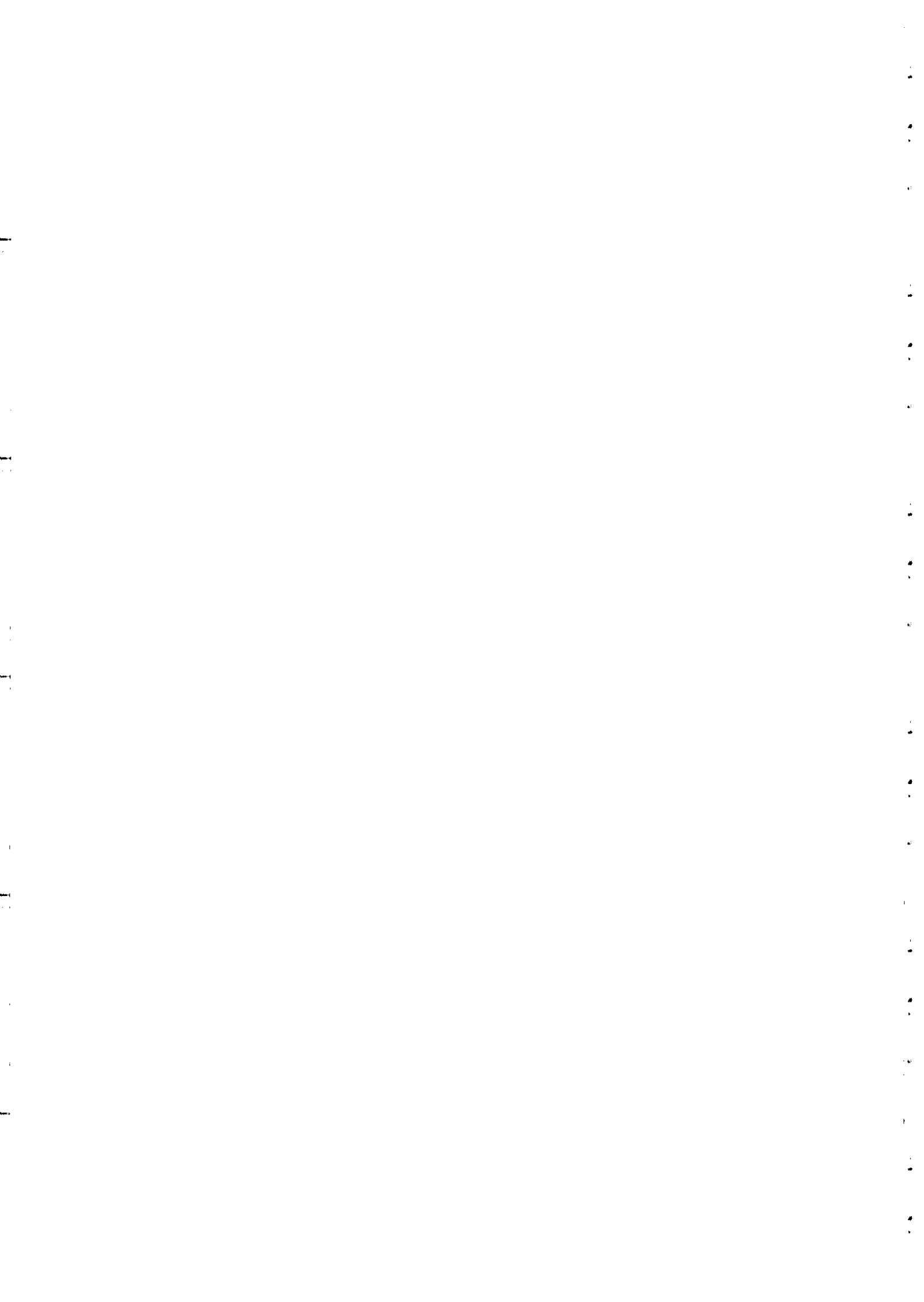
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### **SOLITONS AND INSTANTONS IN NON-COMMUTATIVE GAUGE THEORIES**

#### **Lecture IV**

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## Lecture IV

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### "Monopoles in non-commutative gauge theory"

(based on

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N. Nekrasov,

to appear)

Monopoles - static minima of the energy,  
non-singular field configurations,  
non-trivial magnetic charge

gauge group  $G$ , charged matter  $\phi$ ,

$\phi \neq 0$  breaks  $G \rightarrow H$

if at infinity

the map  $[\phi] : S^2 \rightarrow G/H$

is non-trivial in  $\pi_2(G/H)$

(related to  $\pi_1(H)$  — magnetic charges for  $H$ )

then there exists a minimum of

$$E = \int d^3x \text{Tr} F_{\mu\nu}^2 + \|D_\mu \phi\|^2 + V(\phi) + \dots$$

More SPECIFICALLY,

LET  $\phi$  BE A HIGGS FIELD

IN THE ADJOINT REPRESENTATION,

THEN

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \int \text{Tr } F_{\mu\nu}^2 + \text{Tr } (D_\mu \phi)^2 =$$

$$= \int \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \left( F_{\mu\nu} \pm \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho} D_\rho \phi \right)^2 - \int d \text{Tr} \phi F$$

For fixed  $\int_{S^2_\infty} \text{Tr} \phi F$

The absolute minimum of  $S$  (if achieved) is at

$$F = \pm * D\phi, \text{ or } F_{\mu\nu} = \pm \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho} D_\rho \phi$$

Bogomolny equations

For example, for  $G = SU(2)$   $H = U(1)$  (3)

$$\|\phi\|^2 \rightarrow \frac{a^2}{2} \text{ at } r \rightarrow \infty$$

$$b = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{a}{\tanh(ra)} - \frac{1}{r} \right) \sigma_3$$

't-Hooft - Polyakov monopole

(note that at  $r \rightarrow \infty$

$$\phi \sim \frac{1}{2} \left( a - \frac{1}{r} \right) \sigma_3 - (\text{abelian monopole})$$

at  $r \rightarrow 0$   $\phi \rightarrow 0$   $SU(2)$  restored

If, on the other hand we formally

$$\text{put } G = U(1)$$

then  $D_\mu \phi = \partial_\mu \phi$  and

$F_{\mu\nu} = \pm \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_\lambda \phi$  has a

SINGULAR solution

$$\phi = \pm \frac{1}{r}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2} (1 \pm \cos \theta) d\varphi$$

(ill-defined at  $r=0$ )

How does one solve the monopole equations for higher magnetic charges?

Analogue of ADHM:

Nahm's Equations

$$G = \text{SU}(2)$$

Take interval  $(-\frac{\alpha}{2}, \frac{\alpha}{2})$

$$\xrightarrow{-\frac{\alpha}{2} \qquad \frac{\alpha}{2}}$$

$$T_i(z) \quad -\frac{\alpha}{2} < z < \frac{\alpha}{2}$$

$\downarrow$   $k \times k$  matrices

$$T_i(z) = T_i^+(z)$$

Equations:

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$$\partial_z T_i = i \epsilon_{ijk} T_j T_k$$

Boundary cond's:  $z \rightarrow z_0$   $z_0 = \pm \frac{a}{2}$

$$T_i(z) \rightarrow \frac{t_i}{z - z_0} + \text{reg.}$$

$$[t_i, t_j] = i \epsilon_{ijk} t_k$$

$t_i$  must form an IRREDUCIBLE  
k-DIM'L REPRESENTATION  
OF SU(2)

Then LOOK FOR A FUNDAMENTAL  
(NON-SINGULAR) SOLUTION TO

$$\partial_z \psi - T_i \sigma_i \psi = 0$$

$$\psi = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_+ \\ \psi_- \end{pmatrix} \quad T_i = T_i(z) + x_i$$

$\psi_{\pm}$  are  $k \times 2$  matrices

NORMALIZE  $\psi$  AS

$+a/2$

$$\int_{-a/2}^{+a/2} dz \quad \psi^+ \psi = I_{2 \times 2}$$

THEN :

$$A_\mu = \int_{-a/2}^{+a/2} dz \quad \psi^+ \partial_\mu \psi$$

$$\phi = \int_{-a/2}^{+a/2} dz \quad \epsilon \psi^+ \psi$$

BOGOMOLNY EQ'S ON  $(A, \phi)$

FOLLOW FROM  $\partial_t T_i - i \epsilon_{ijk} T_j T_k$

REMARK

REPLACE  $(-\frac{a}{2}, \frac{a}{2})$  by

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$(-\infty, a)$

$\Psi_{\pm}$  BY  $1 \times 1$  MATRICES

THEN, FOR  $T_i = x_{i0} \quad (i=1, 2, 3)$

ONE GETS:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \Psi_+ \\ \Psi_- \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{x_{30} + |\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0|} \\ \frac{x_1 - x_{10} + i(x_2 - x_{20})}{\sqrt{x_3 - x_{30} + |\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0|}} \end{pmatrix} e^{i\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}_0/(2a)}$$

$$\Phi = a - \frac{1}{2|\vec{r} - \vec{r}_0|}$$

$\vec{A}$  — magnetic monopole centered  
at  $\vec{r}_0 = (x_{10}, x_{20}, x_{30})$

SUPPOSE WE WANTED

TO LOOK FOR THE MONOPOLE

SOLUTIONS IN THE

NON-COMMUTATIVE GAUGE THEORY.

JUST AS IN THE CASE

WITH INSTANTONS THE MAIN

THING IS TO KEEP THE

EQUATION ON

$$T_i^* = T_i + \lambda_i^*$$

KEPT INTACT

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THEREFORE IF

SPACE COORDINATES OBEY

$$[x_1, x_2] = -i\theta \quad \theta > 0$$

$$[x_1, x_3] = [x_2, x_3] = 0$$

THEN NAHM'S EQUATIONS

ARE MODIFIED TO:

$$\partial_z T_i = i \epsilon_{ijk} T_j T_k + \theta \delta_{i3} \quad (*)$$

UNLIKE INSTANTON CASE, (\*)

ARE TRIVIAL TO SOLVE

$$T_i^{\text{non-comm}}(z) = T_i^{\text{comm}}(z) + \theta z \delta_{i3}$$

↗

solution to ordinary Nahm

EXPLICITY CHARGE ONE:

$$T_{1,2} = 0, \quad T_3 = \theta z \quad (\text{shift of } T_i \text{'s by a constant})$$

AFTER SOME ALGEBRA

WITH

$$a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{20}} (x_1 - ix_2)$$

$$a^+ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{20}} (x_1 + ix_2)$$

$$b = \frac{1}{\sqrt{20}} (\theta z + x_3 + \theta z)$$

$$b^+ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{20}} (-\theta z + x_3 + \theta z)$$

$$[b, b^+] = [a, a^+] = 1, \quad [a, b] = [a^+, b^+] = \dots = 0$$

ONE GETS :

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$$\Phi = \Phi(x_3, a^* a) = \frac{\xi_{N+1}}{\xi_N} - \frac{\xi_{N+2}}{\xi_{N+1}} =$$

$$= \partial_3 \log \xi_N$$

$$\xi_N = \int_0^\infty t^N e^{-\frac{t^2}{2} + 2tx_3} dt$$

$$\xi_N = \sqrt{\frac{\xi_N}{\xi_{N+1}}}$$

$$A_3 = 0$$

$$A_1 + iA_2 = 2a^* \left(1 - \frac{\xi_N}{\xi_{N+1}}\right)$$

$$A_1 - iA_2 = 2 \left(1 - \frac{\xi_N}{\xi_{N+1}}\right) a$$

# CHECK BOGOMOLNY EQUATIONS

DISCOVER "BNDRY" TERM

$$\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} D_\mu \phi + F_{\lambda} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu 3} \partial_3 \frac{t}{S_0} \delta_{N,0}$$

ORIGIN : IN  $F_{12}$  ONE

HAS A TERM

$$F_{12} = \dots + 2 \left( a^+ \frac{S_N}{S_{N+1}} a^- \frac{S_{N+1}}{S_N} \right)$$

WHILE IN

$$D_3 \phi \text{ THERE IS A TERM } -2N \frac{S_{N-1} S_{N+1}}{S_N^2}$$

THESE TWO TERMS ARE IDENTICAL (13)

FOR  $N > 0$

BUT AS  $N \rightarrow 0$   $\alpha|_0 = 0$

WHILE

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow 0} N S_{N=1} \neq 0$$

HENCE THE DIFFERENCE AT  $N=0$

CRUCIAL FOR CONSISTENCY.

$$\text{AS } r^2 = x_3^2 + N \rightarrow 0 \quad \phi \sim -\frac{1}{ar}$$

$N > 0$

$F \sim$  usual  $U(1)$   
monopole gauge  
field

THEREFORE, WITHOUT  $\delta_{N,0}$  TERM WE WOULD

GET

$$0 < \int F_{\mu\nu}^2 + D_\mu \phi * D_\nu \phi \sim \int d(\phi + F + F * \phi) \rightarrow 0$$

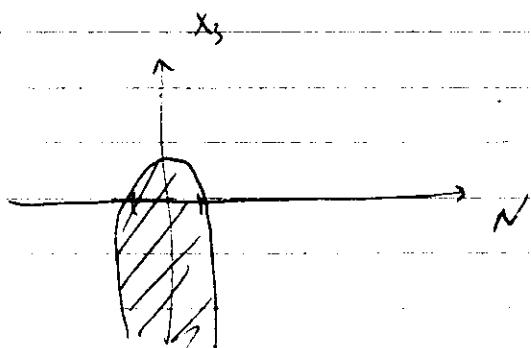
$\delta_{N,0}$

WITH THIS TERM

$$E \sim \sum_N \delta_{N,0} \int \frac{dx_3}{g_m^2 \sqrt{\Theta}} t(x_3)$$

$$t(x_3) = \left( \partial_3 - \frac{1}{\zeta_0} \right)^2 \sim \begin{cases} \text{const.} & x_3 \ll 0 \\ \sim x_3^2 e^{-4x_3^2} & x_3 \gg 0 \end{cases}$$

Energy distribution



IF TIME PERMITS

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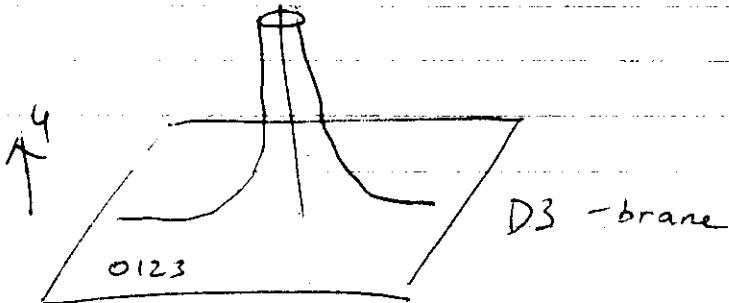
I WILL EXPLAIN

D-BRANE REALIZATION

AND MATCHING OF THIS

PICTURE WITH D1-D3 CONFIGURATION

F1 - fundamental string



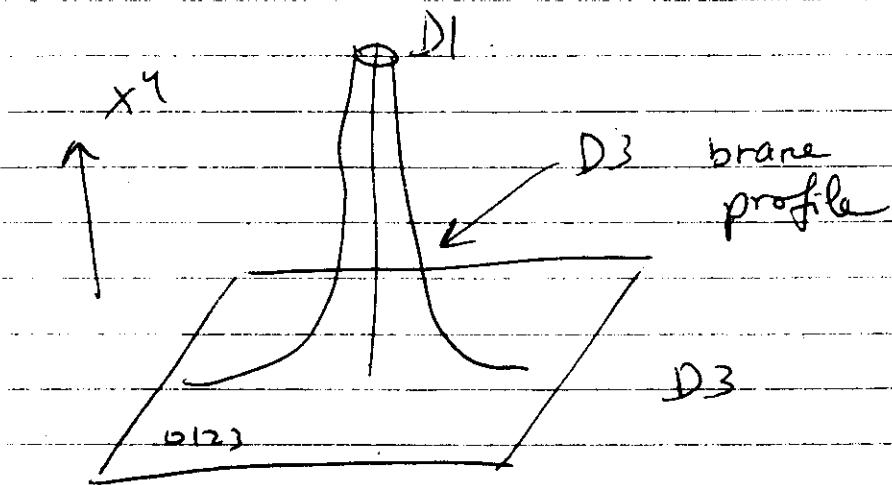
$$x^4 \sim \frac{1}{r} \leftarrow \text{D}_3 \text{ BRANE PROFILE, LOOKS LIKE STRING}$$

$$\vec{E} \sim \vec{\nabla} \left( -\frac{1}{r} \right) \leftarrow$$

$$\vec{E} + \vec{\nabla} x^4 = 0 \Rightarrow \text{SUSY}$$

$$\vec{A} = 0$$

$$A_0 = -\frac{1}{r}$$



MAGNETIC CHARGE

$$\vec{B} + \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{x}^4 = 0 \Rightarrow \text{SUSY}$$

$$\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} \quad A_0 = 0$$

TURN ON  $B$ -field  $B_{12} = \Theta$

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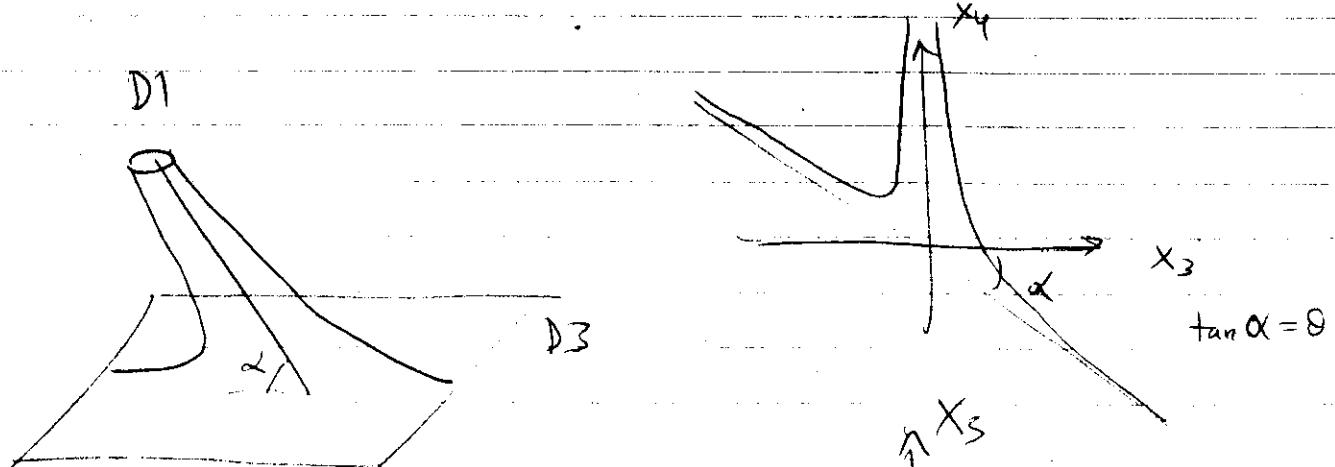
SUSY

$$*(F + B) + D_A \phi = 0$$

$$F_{12} + \theta + \partial_3 \phi = 0$$

$$F_{13} + \partial_2 \phi = 0 \quad F_{23} + \partial_1 \phi = 0$$

$$X_4 = \phi = -\theta X_3 + \frac{t}{r}$$



ENERGY DENSITY

EXACT MATCH !

