

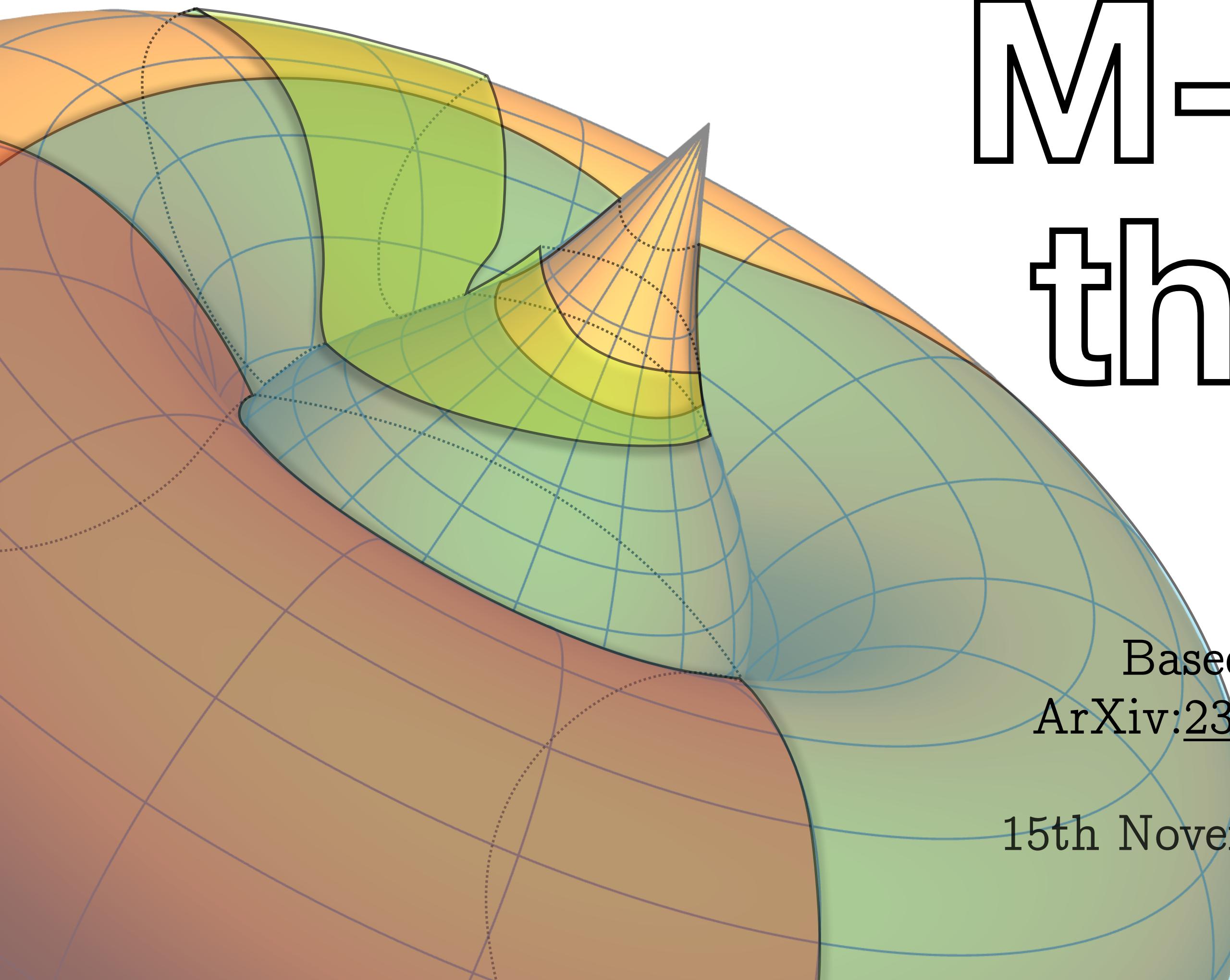
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M-theory on the Spindle

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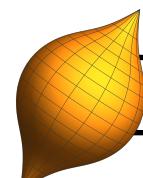


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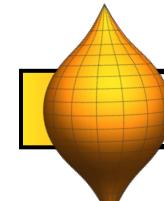
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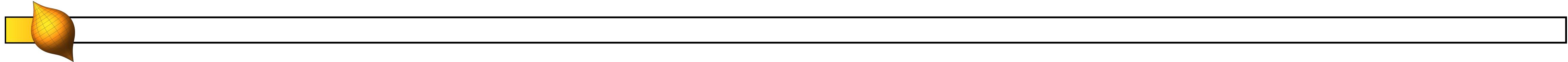
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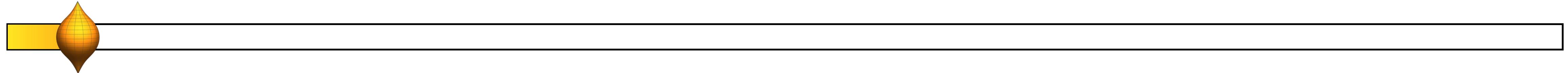
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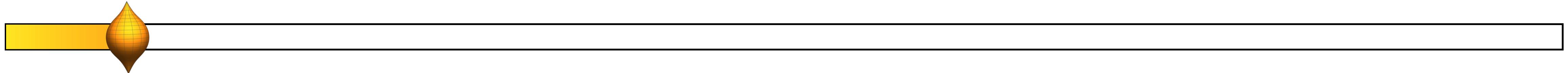
No covariantly constant spinor $(\partial_\mu + \omega_\mu)\epsilon = 0$, couple to background R-symmetry $A_\mu^R = -\omega_\mu$, then $(\partial_\mu + \cancel{\omega}_\mu + \cancel{A}_\mu^R)\epsilon = 0 \implies \epsilon$ constant



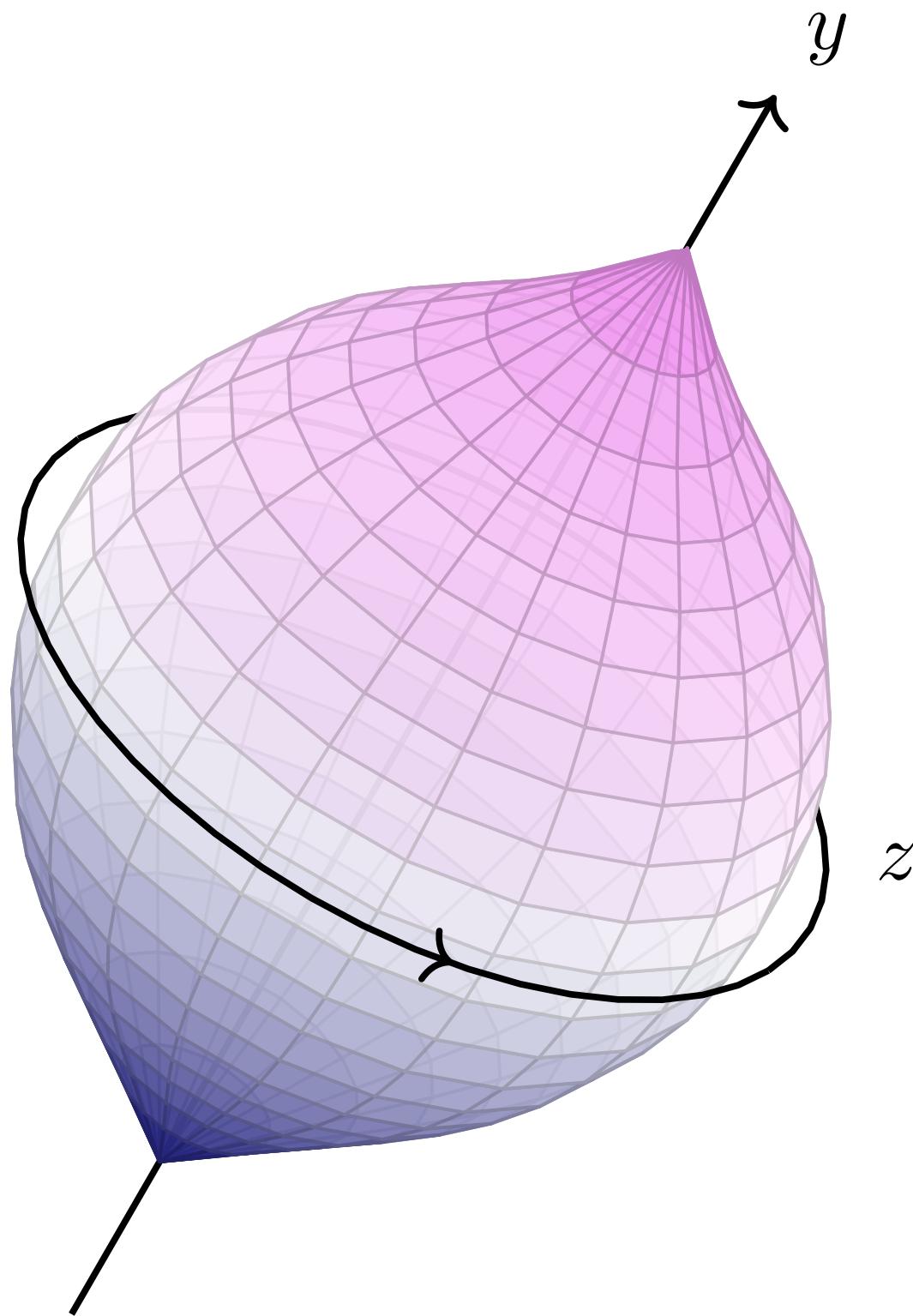
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Condition $A_\mu = -\omega_\mu$ equivalent to choosing right flux for R-symmetry background

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Sigma_g} F^R = \chi(\Sigma_g) = 2(g - 1)$$

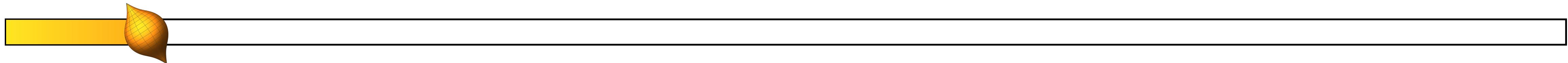


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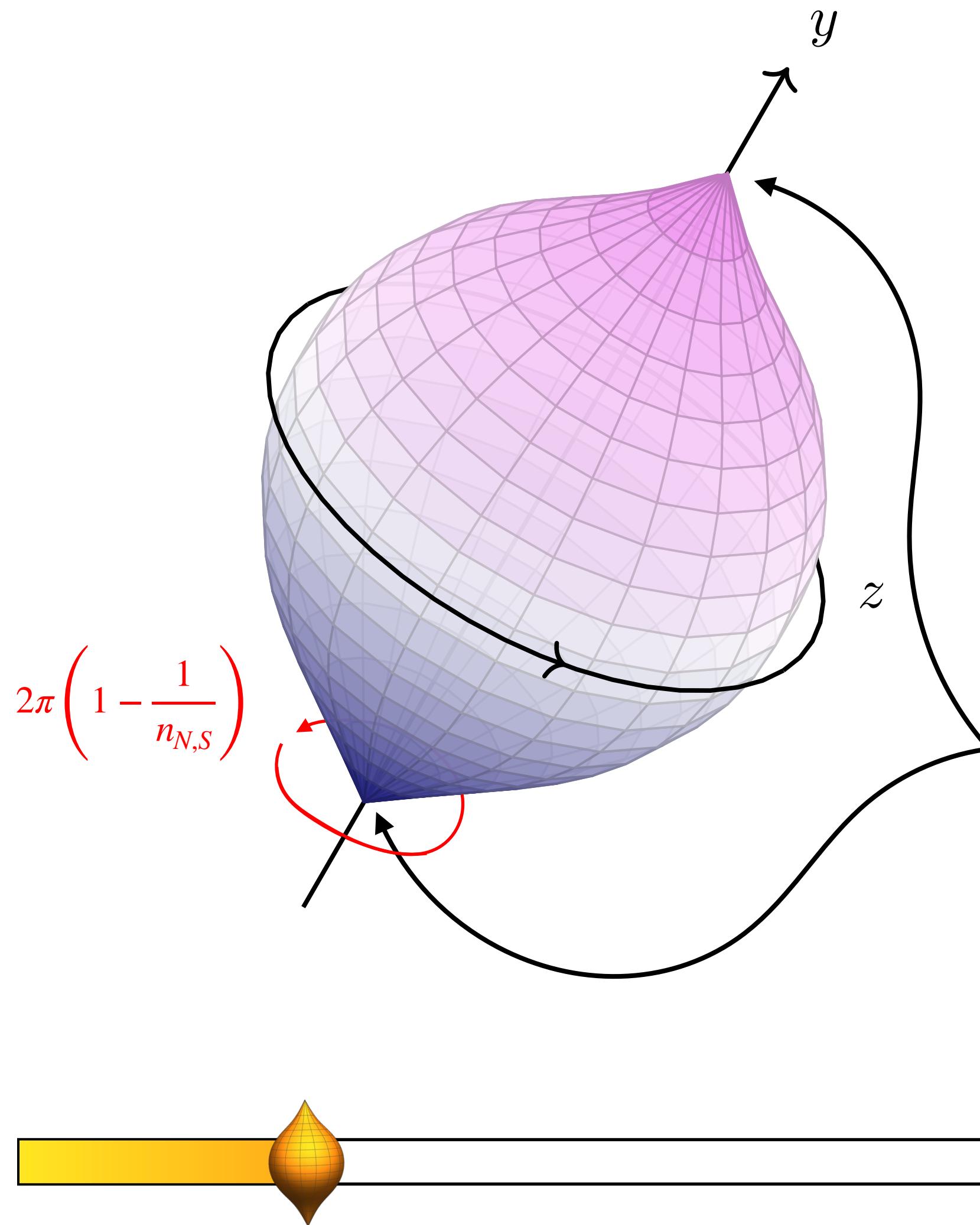


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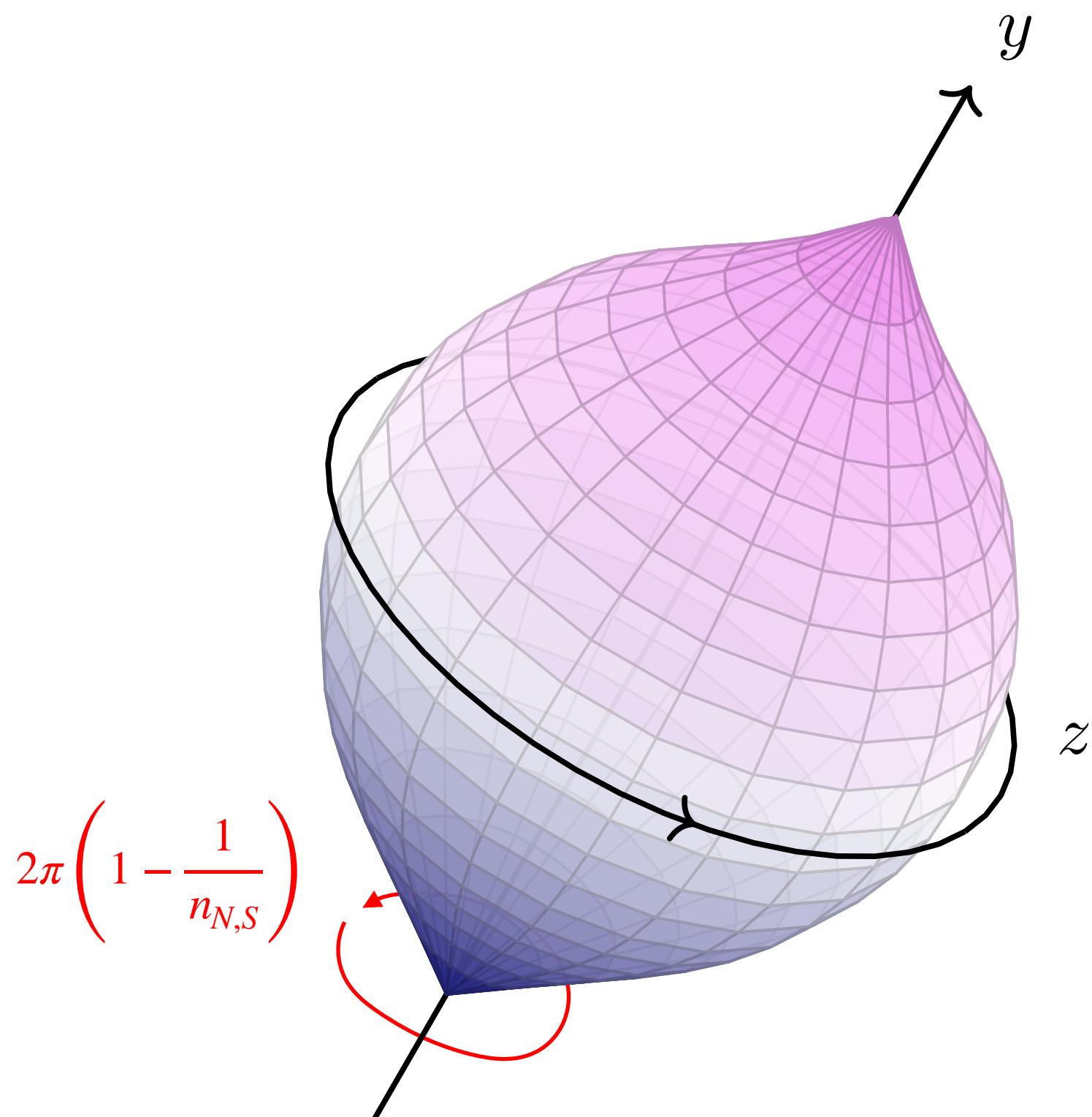
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SUSY preserved in **novel** way

- Twist (+)
- Anti-twist (-)

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{WCP}_{[n_N, n_S]}^1} F^R = \frac{n_N \pm n_S}{n_N n_S}$$

Preserved Killing spinors

- Depend on (some) coordinates of Spindle
- Have definite chirality only at the poles

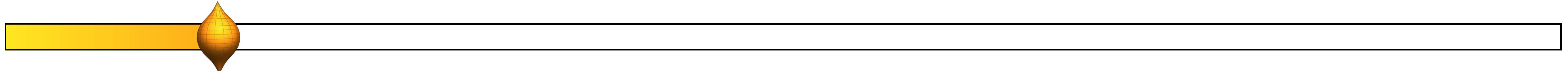


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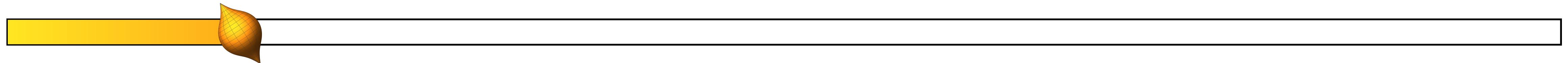


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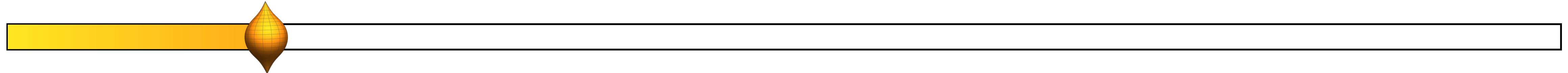


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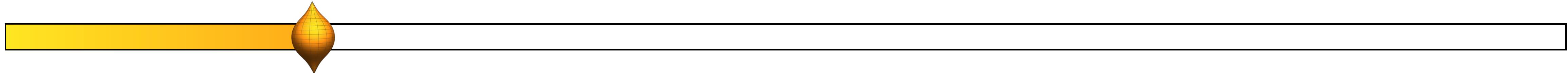
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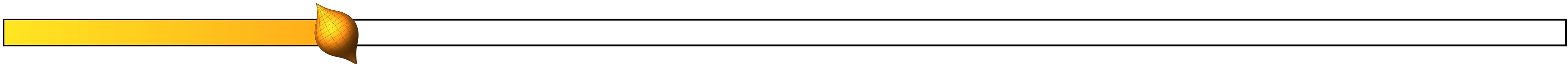
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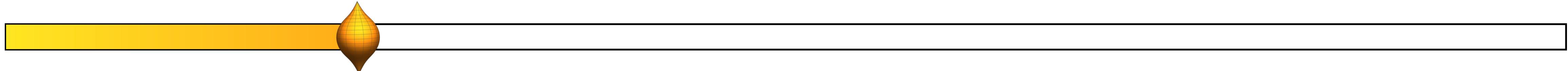
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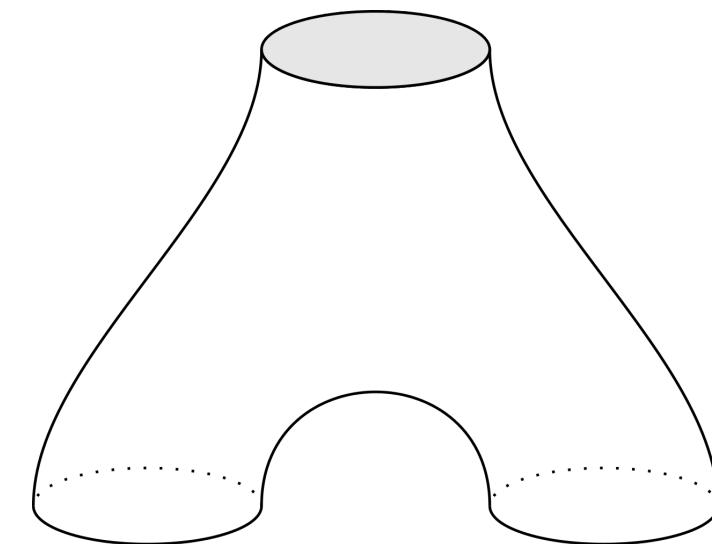
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We can generalize for any (punctured) Riemann surfaces $\Sigma_{g,n}$: **class-S theories** [Gaiotto (2009)]

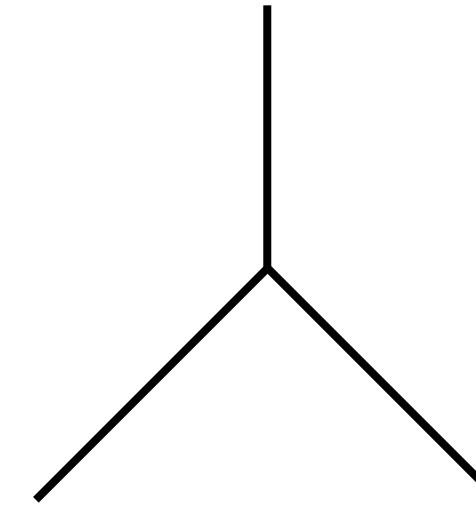


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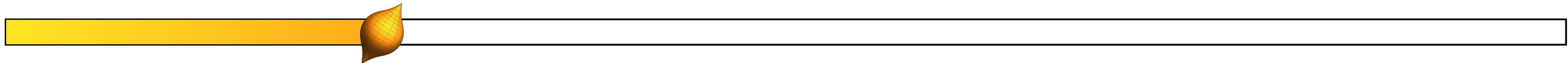
Any Riemann surface can be decomposed into pair of pants



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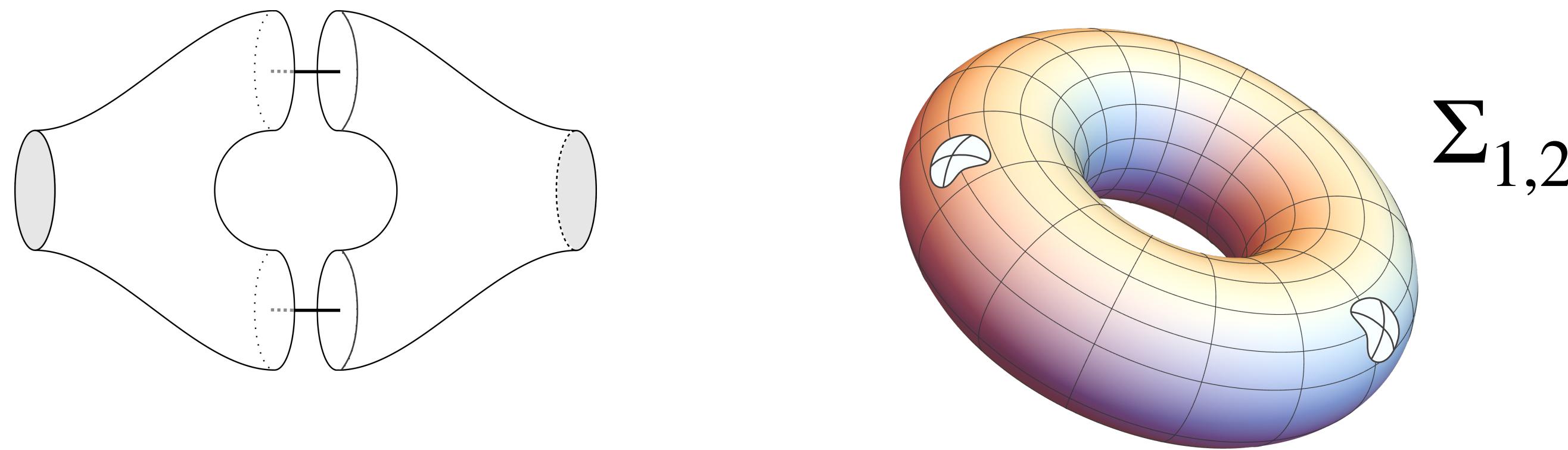


T_N block : $\mathcal{N} = 2$ SCFTs with
 $SU(2) \times U(1)_R \times SU(N)^3$ global
symmetry as world-volume theories of
stack of M5 on three-punctured sphere.

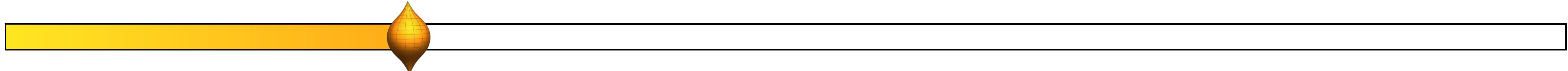


Wrapping M5s on Σ_g

Gluing T_N blocks is gauging some $SU(N)$: higher genus Riemann surfaces

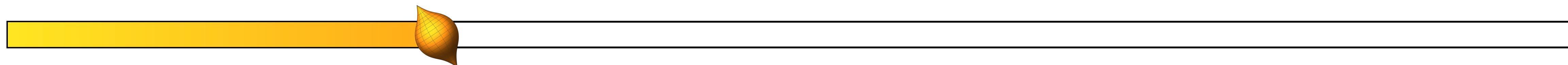


S-class: gluing with $\mathcal{N} = 2$ vector multiplet



The B3W Model

Up to now, compactification on Riemann surface. Generalization to wrapping branes on **calibrated cycles on CYs**. Calibration needed for twisting, aka preserve SUSY



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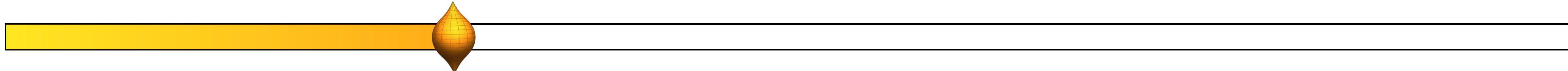
Further generalization: CY₃ as holo \mathbb{C}^2 bundle over C_g

[Bah, Beem, Bobev, Wecht (2012)]

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{C}^2 & \hookrightarrow & CY_3 \\ & \downarrow \pi & \\ & C_g & \end{array} \qquad CY_3 = K_{C_g} \otimes V \qquad \begin{array}{ccc} \text{SU}(2) & \longrightarrow & V \\ & \downarrow \pi & \\ & C_g & \end{array}$$

To preserve SUSY

Central U(1) in U(2) connection on CY constrained \implies R-symmetry

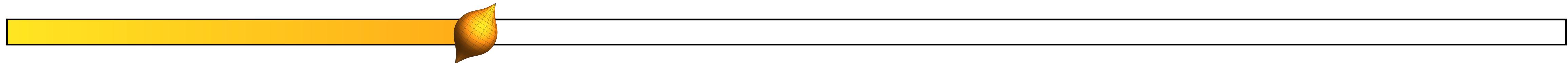


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Further generalization [Bah, Beem, Bobev, Wecht (2012)]:

IR dynamics of branes wrapped on this
geometry depend on **choice of this bundle**

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When $\text{CY}_3 = \mathcal{L}_1 \oplus \mathcal{L}_2$ (decomposable)

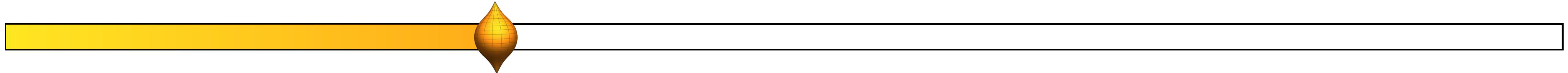
Family of IR SCFT described by degree of line bundles

$$c_1(\mathcal{L}_1) = p, c_1(\mathcal{L}_2) = q, p + q = 2g - 2$$

Manifest $\text{U}(1)^2$ isometry $\implies \text{U}(1)_R \times \text{U}(1)_F$

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Reparametrization $p = (1 + z)(g - 1), \quad q = (1 - z)(g - 1)$ where
 $z(g - 1) \in \mathbb{Z}$



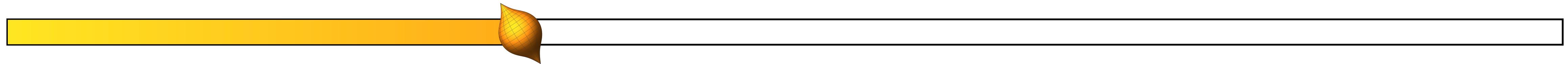
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Limiting cases

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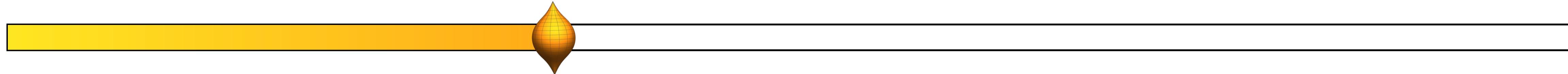
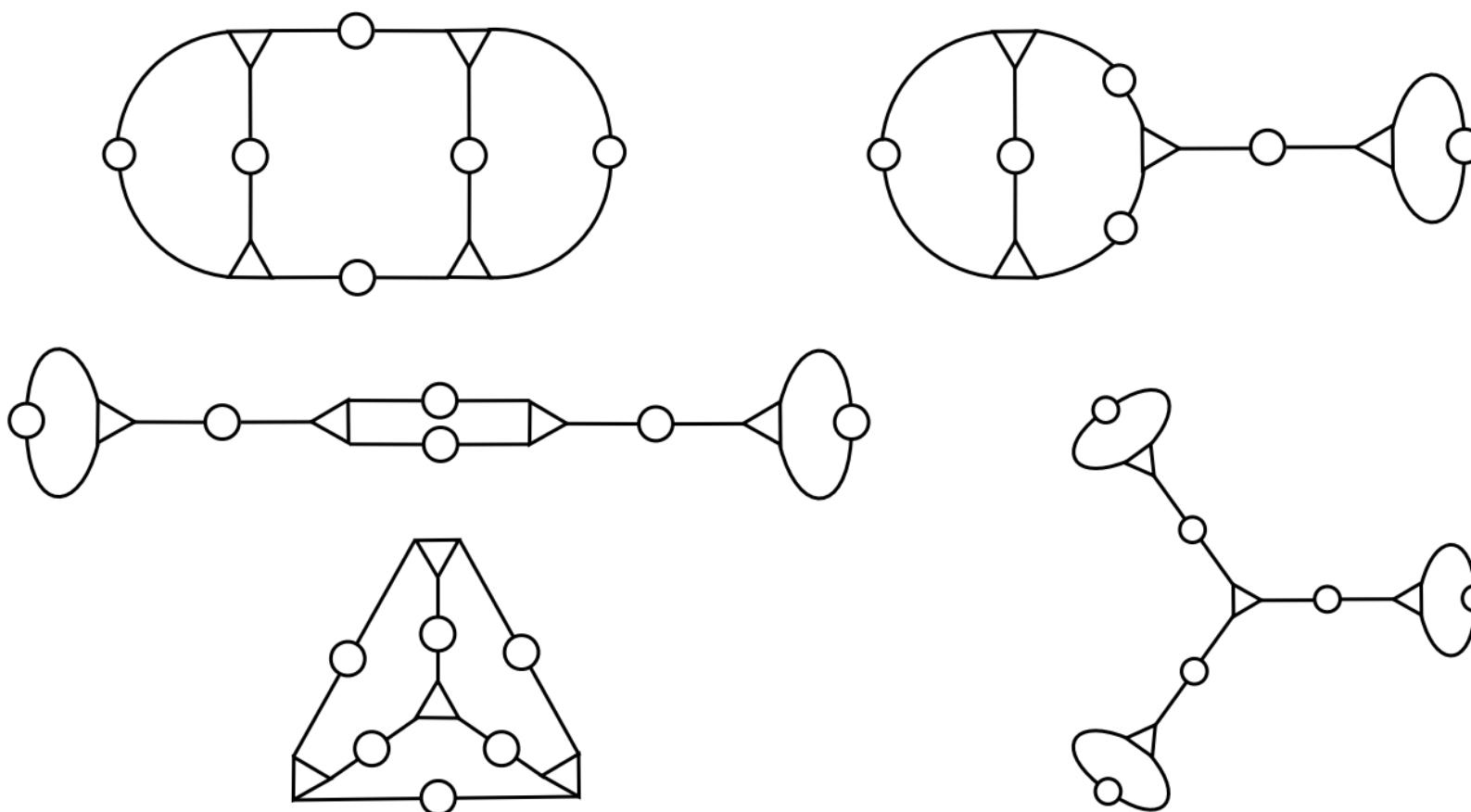
$q = 0$ or $p = 0 \implies X = \mathbb{C} \times T^\star C_g, \mathcal{N} = 2$ S-class [Gaiotto (2009)]

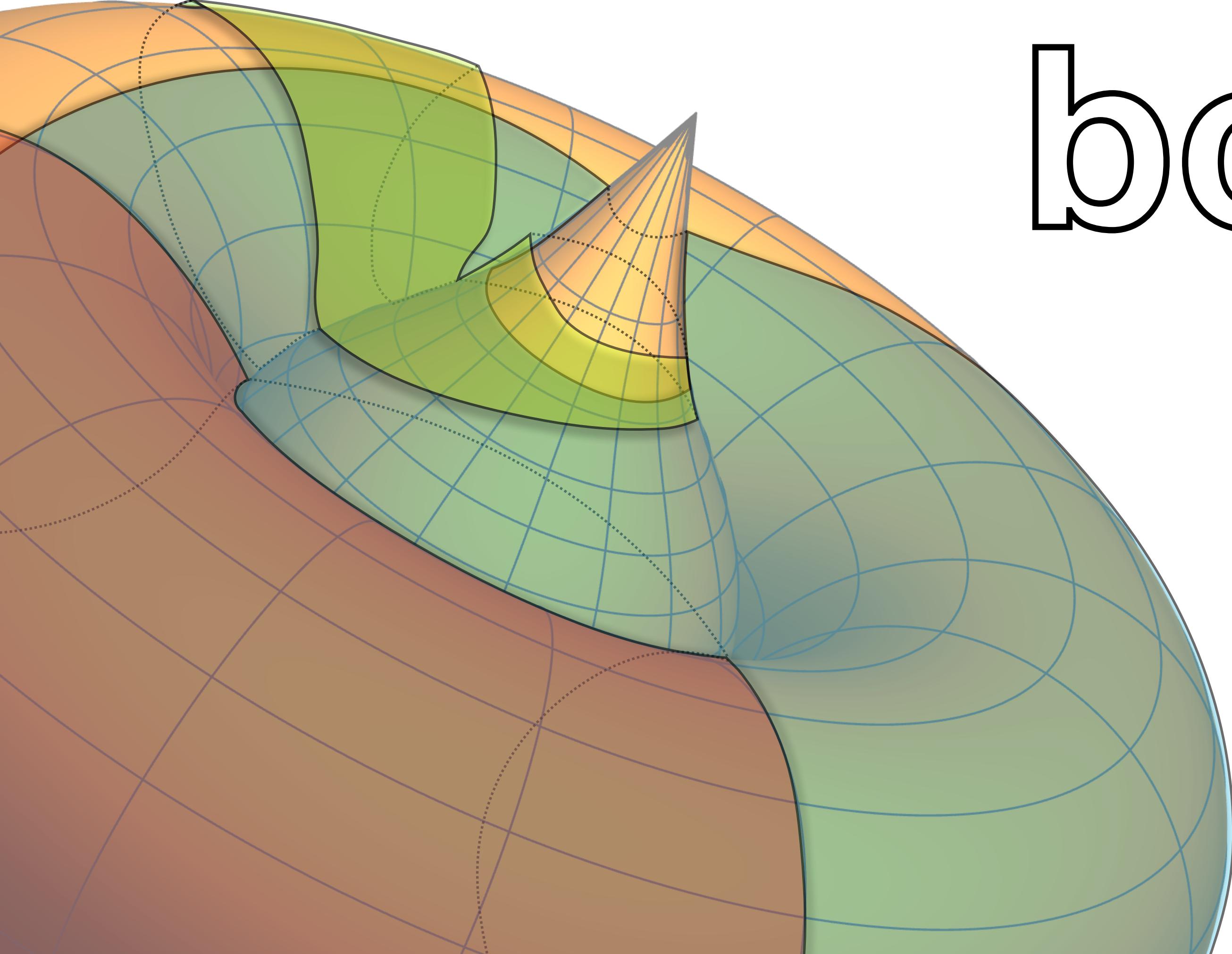
$q = p, \mathcal{N} = 1$ Sicilian gauge theories [Benini, Tachikawa, Wecht (2009)]



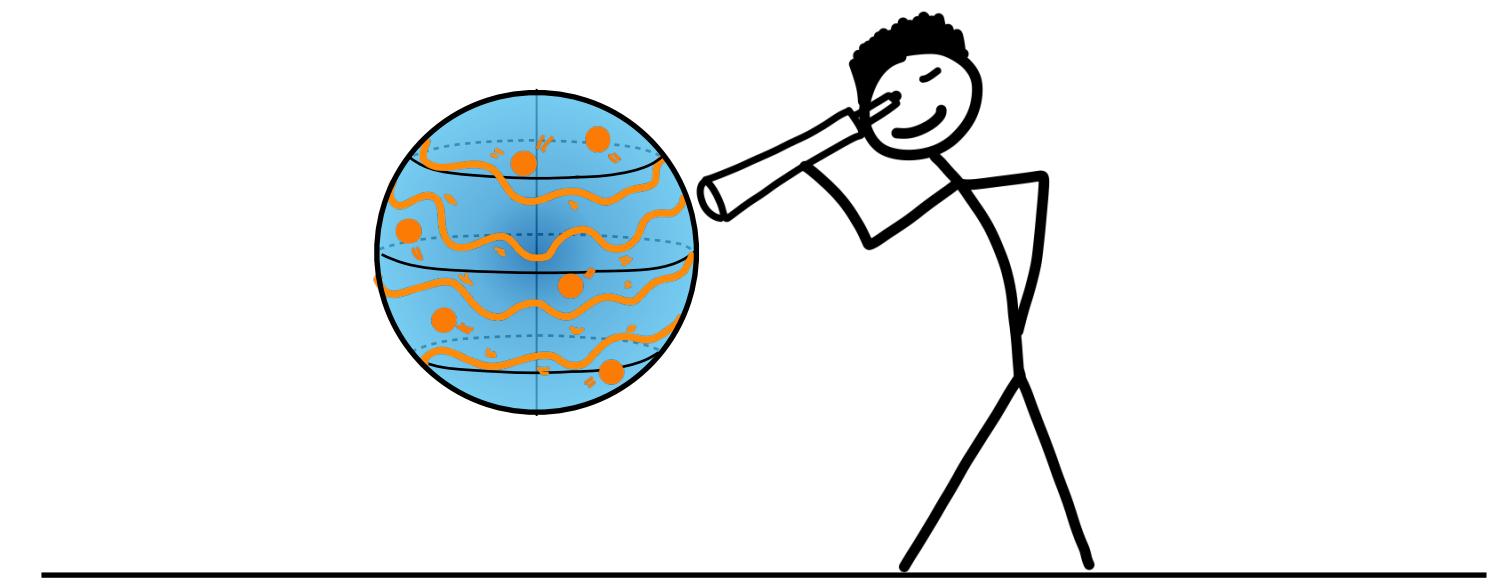
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General p, q can be constructed from opportune gluing of $2(g - 1)$ T_N blocks to form a Riemann surface with no punctures. Gluing with both $\mathcal{N} = 1, 2$ vector multiplets \implies choice of p, q





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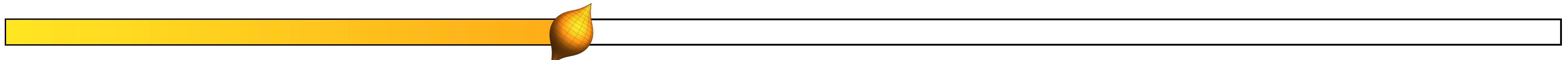
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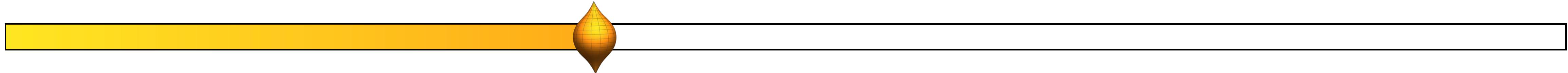
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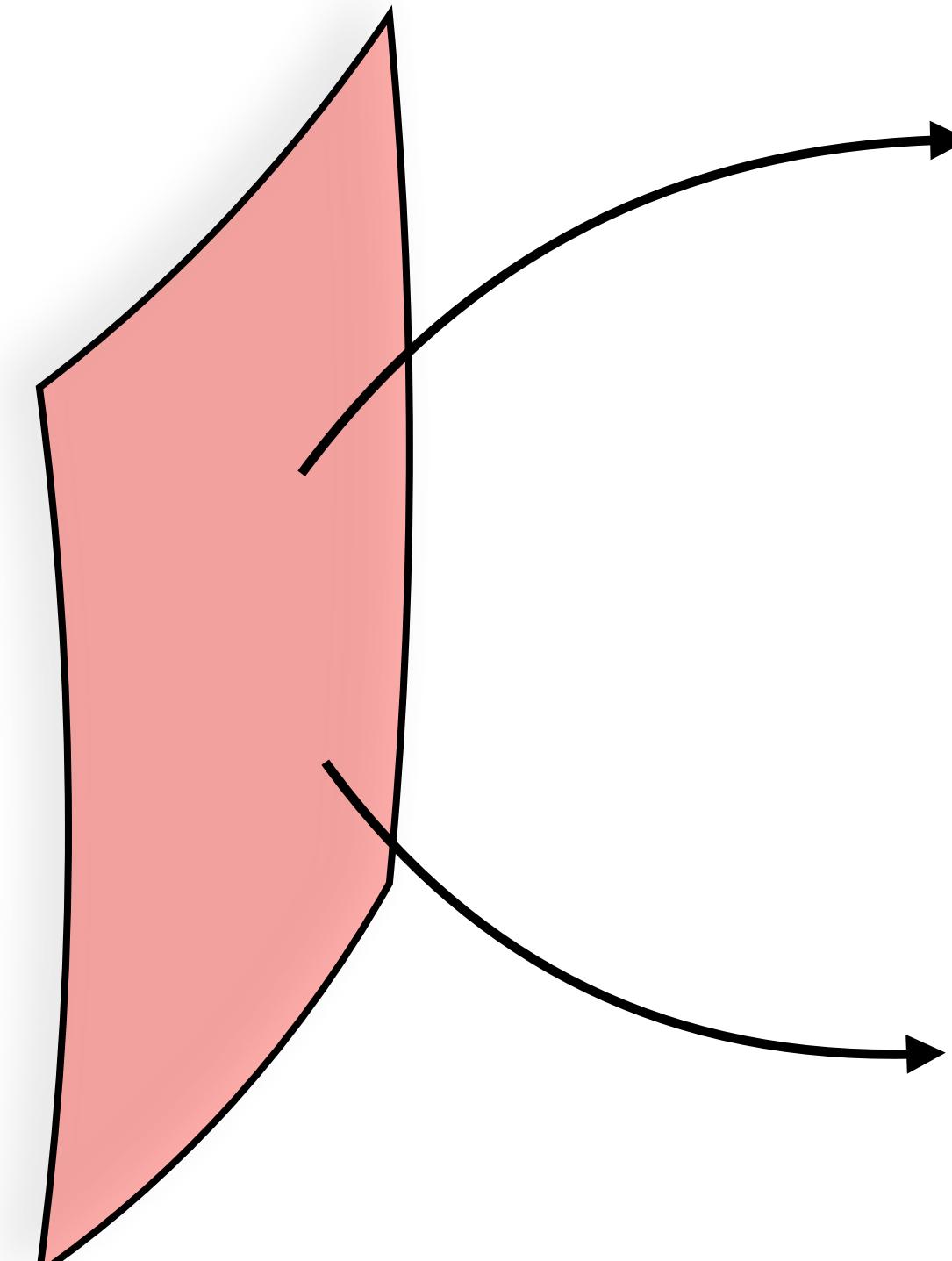
Anomaly Polynomial of M5-brane

Supersymmetric $\mathcal{N} = (2,0)$ abelian tensor multiplet in $6d$: [Witten (1996)]

- Self-dual three form
- 5 scalars
- 4 real Weyl fermions



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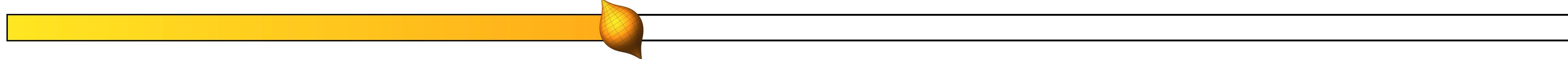
Four components chiral spinors

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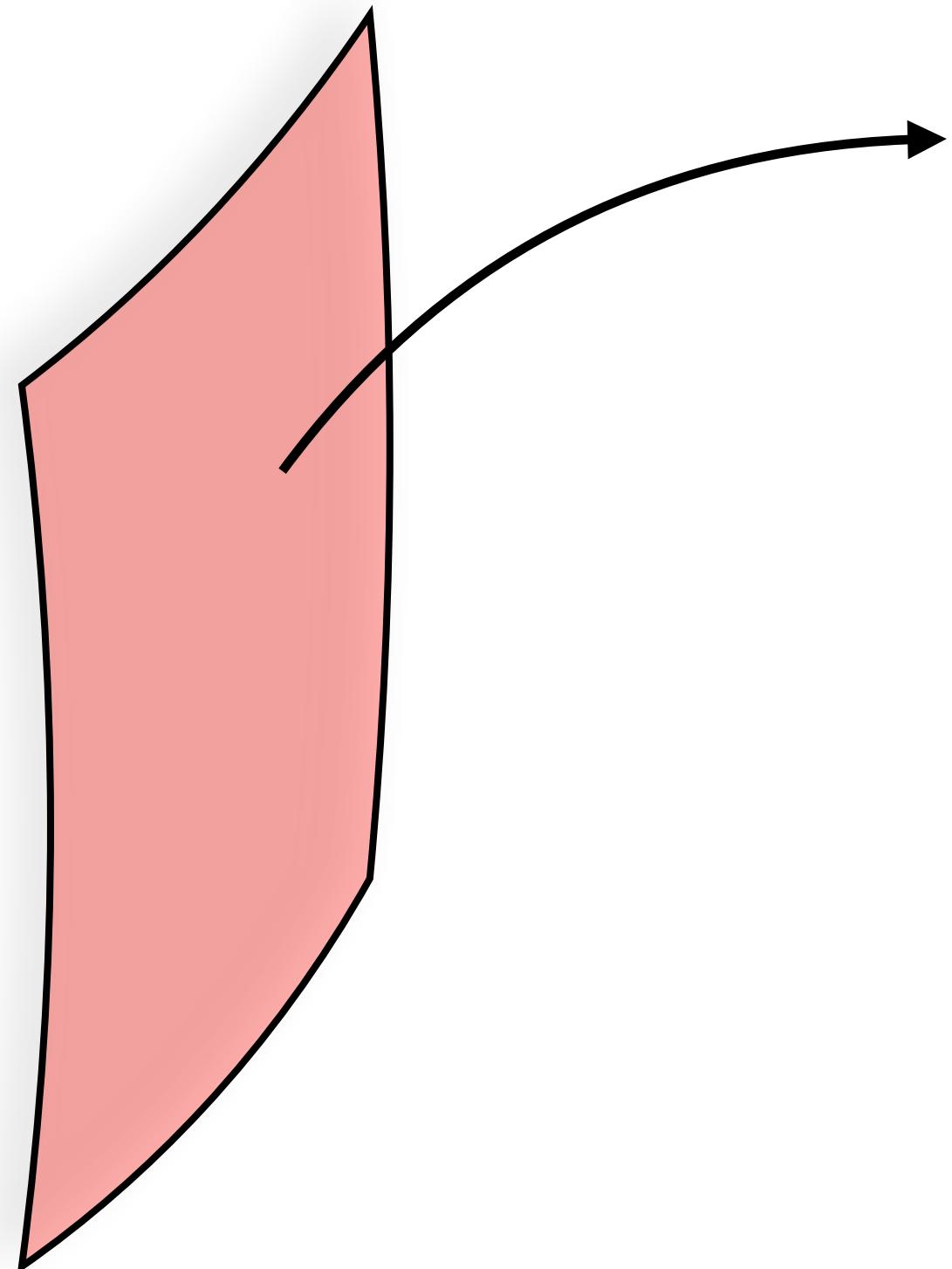
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[Witten, Gaume (1986)]



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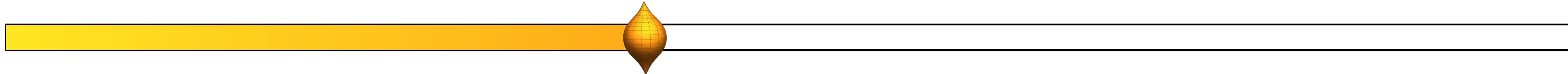


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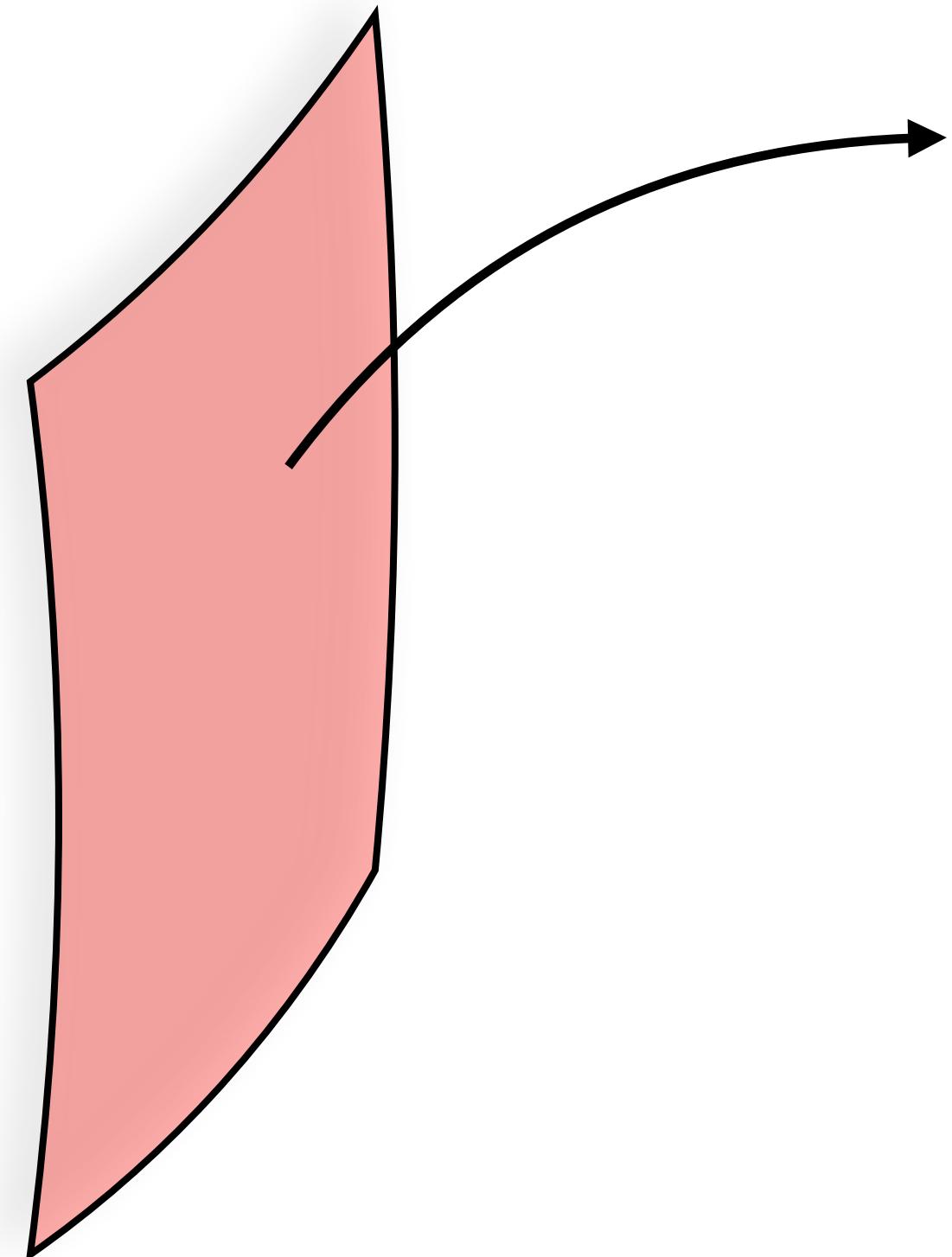
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Sections of rank-four spinor bundle constructed from the normal bundle N using the spinor rep of $SO(5)$

$SO(5)$ is the remaining isometry from M-theory after M5 defect insertion



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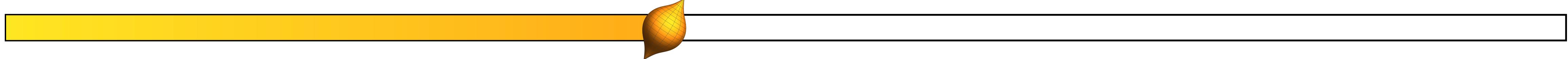


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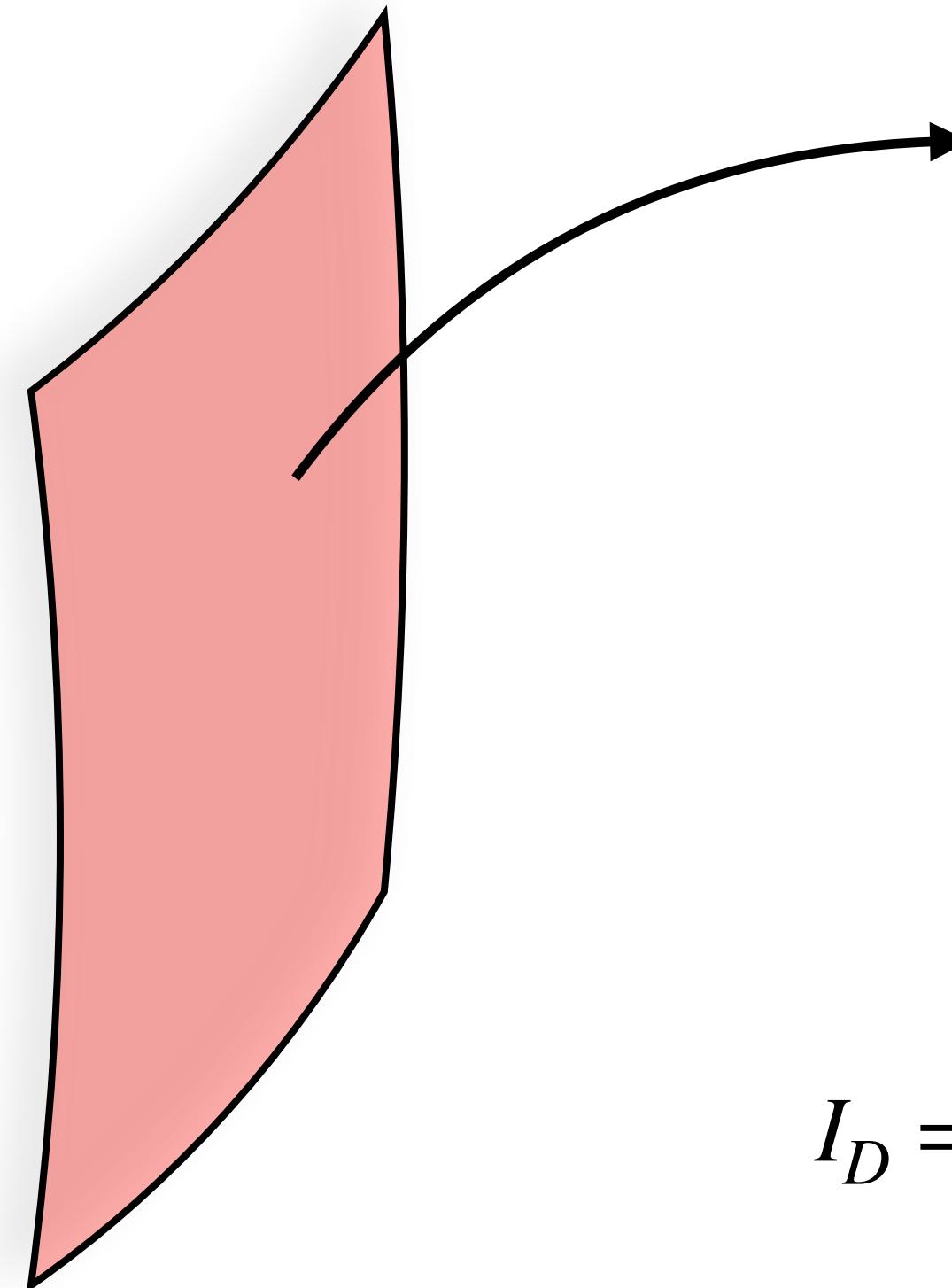
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$\hat{A}(TW)$ is the Dirac genus of TW , index of the Dirac operator on it

$$\hat{A}(TW) = 1 - \frac{p_1(TW)}{24} + \frac{7p_1(TW)^2 - 4p_2(TW)}{5760}$$

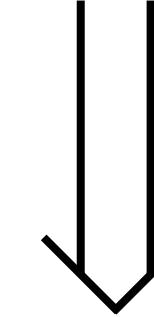


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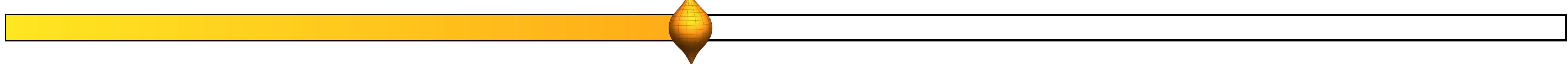


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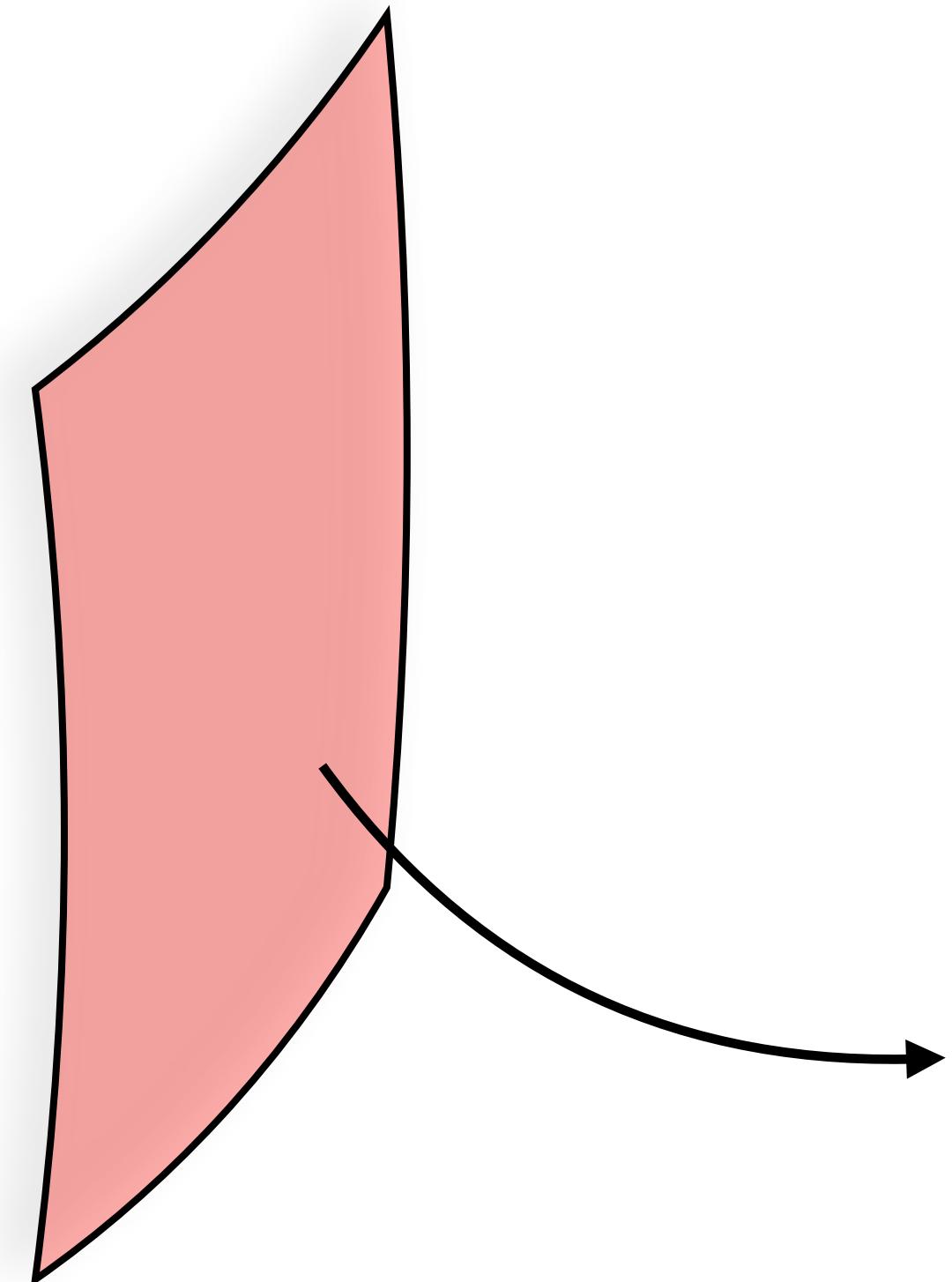
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$$I_D = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{p_2(N)^2}{24} + \frac{p_1(N)^2}{96} - \frac{p_1(N)p_1(TW)}{48} + \frac{7p_1(TW)^2 - 4p_2(TW)}{1440} \right)$$



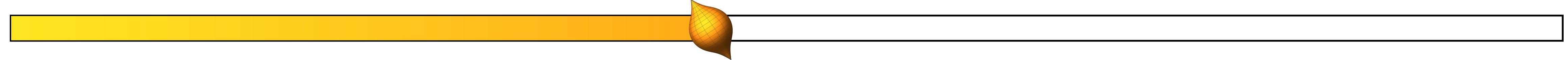
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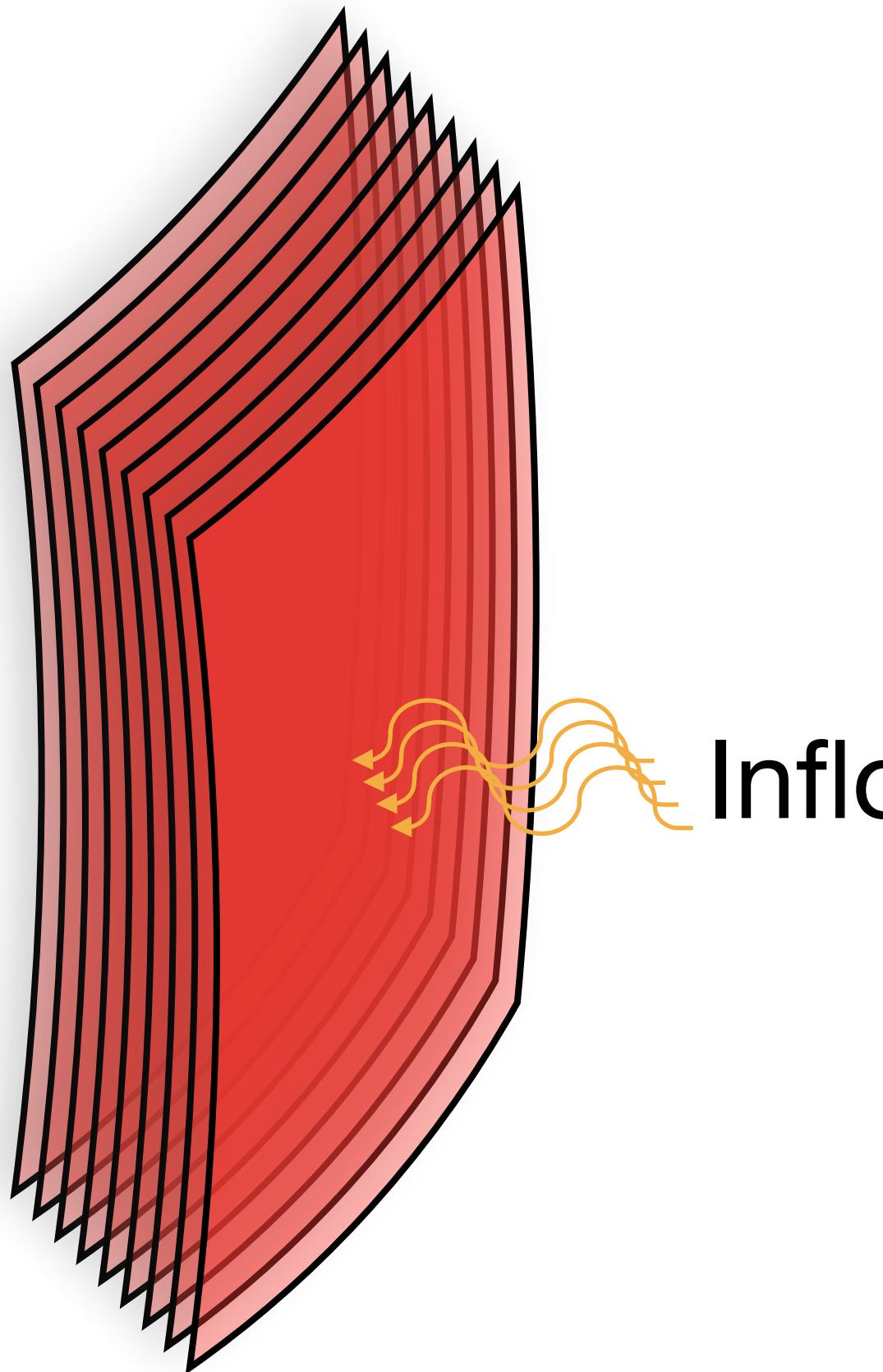
Propagates on brane world-volume W ,
does not see normal bundle

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Stacking the Branes

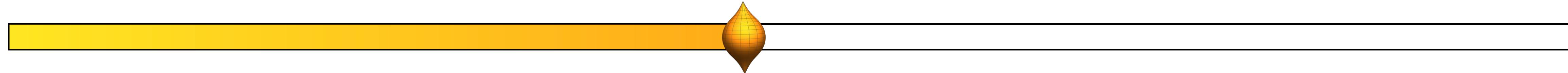


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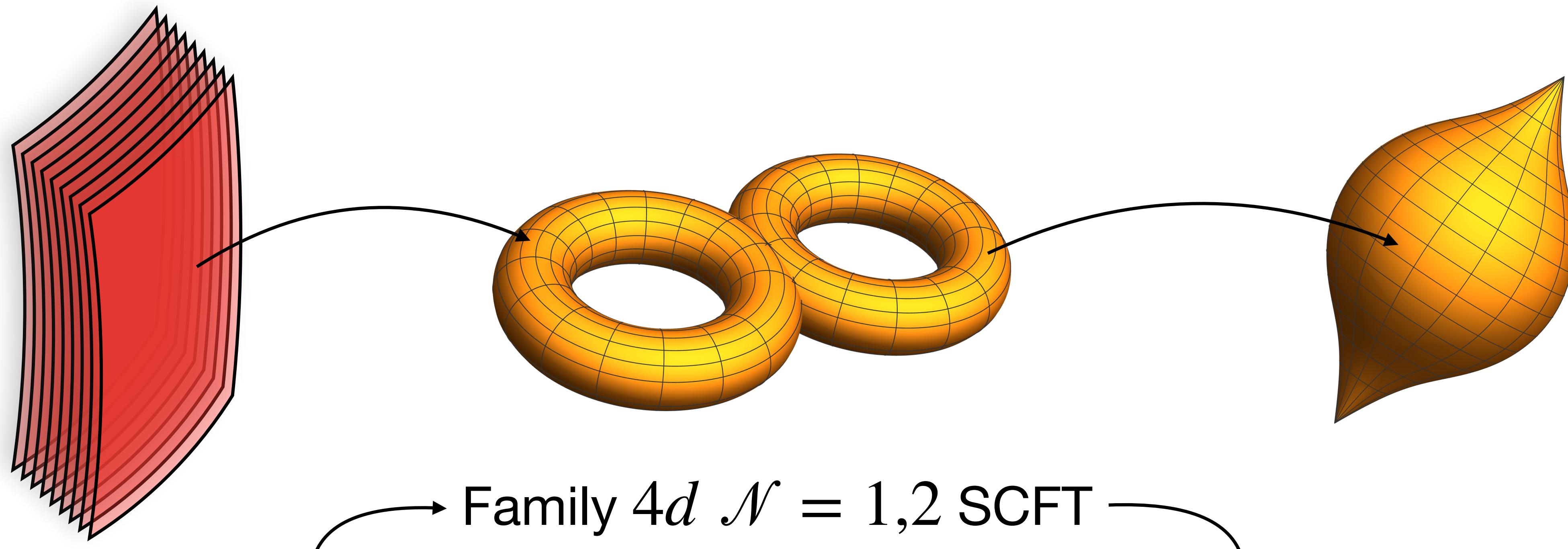
$$I_8 = \frac{N-1}{48} \left[p_2(NW) - p_2(TW) + \frac{1}{4}(p_1(TW) - p_1(NW))^2 \right] + \frac{N^3 - N}{24} p_2(NW)$$

Spinors+Three-form CS term

[Witten (1996)] [Harvey, Minasian, Moore (1998)]
[Intriligator (2000)] [Yi (2001)] ...



Wrapping the Branes

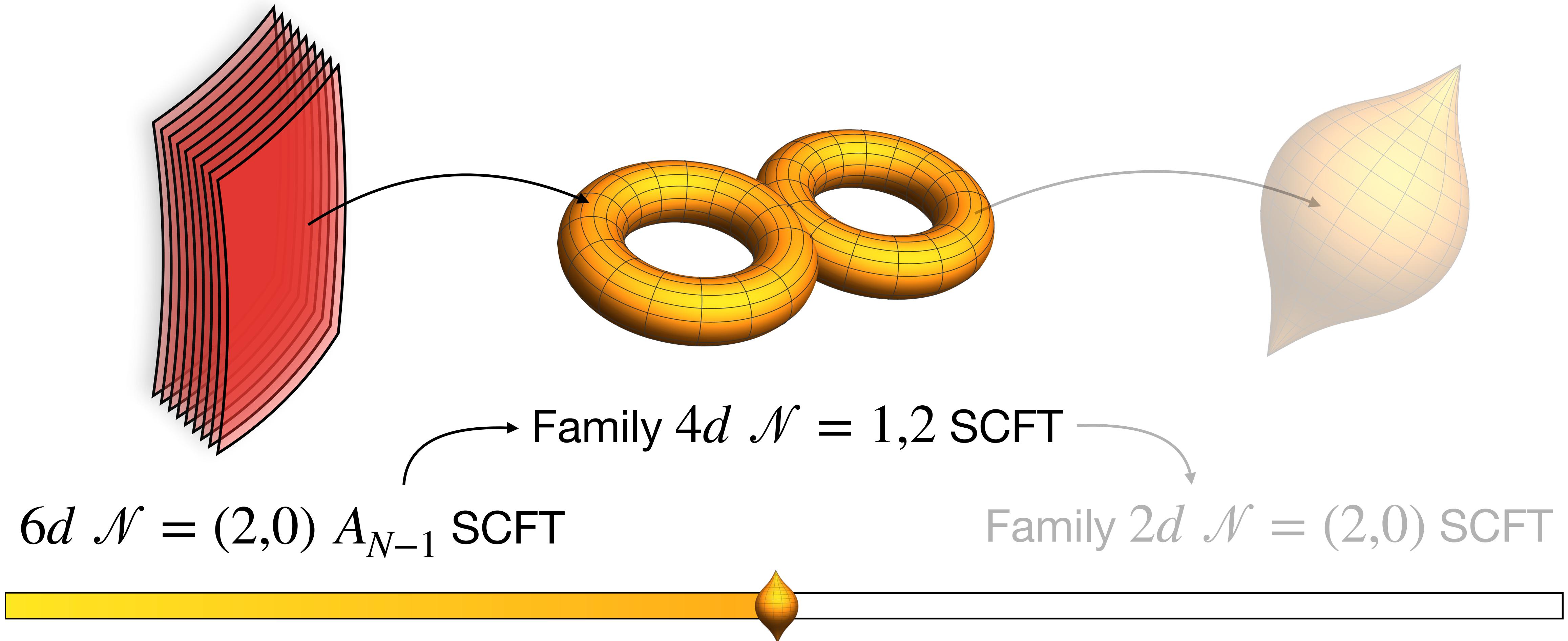


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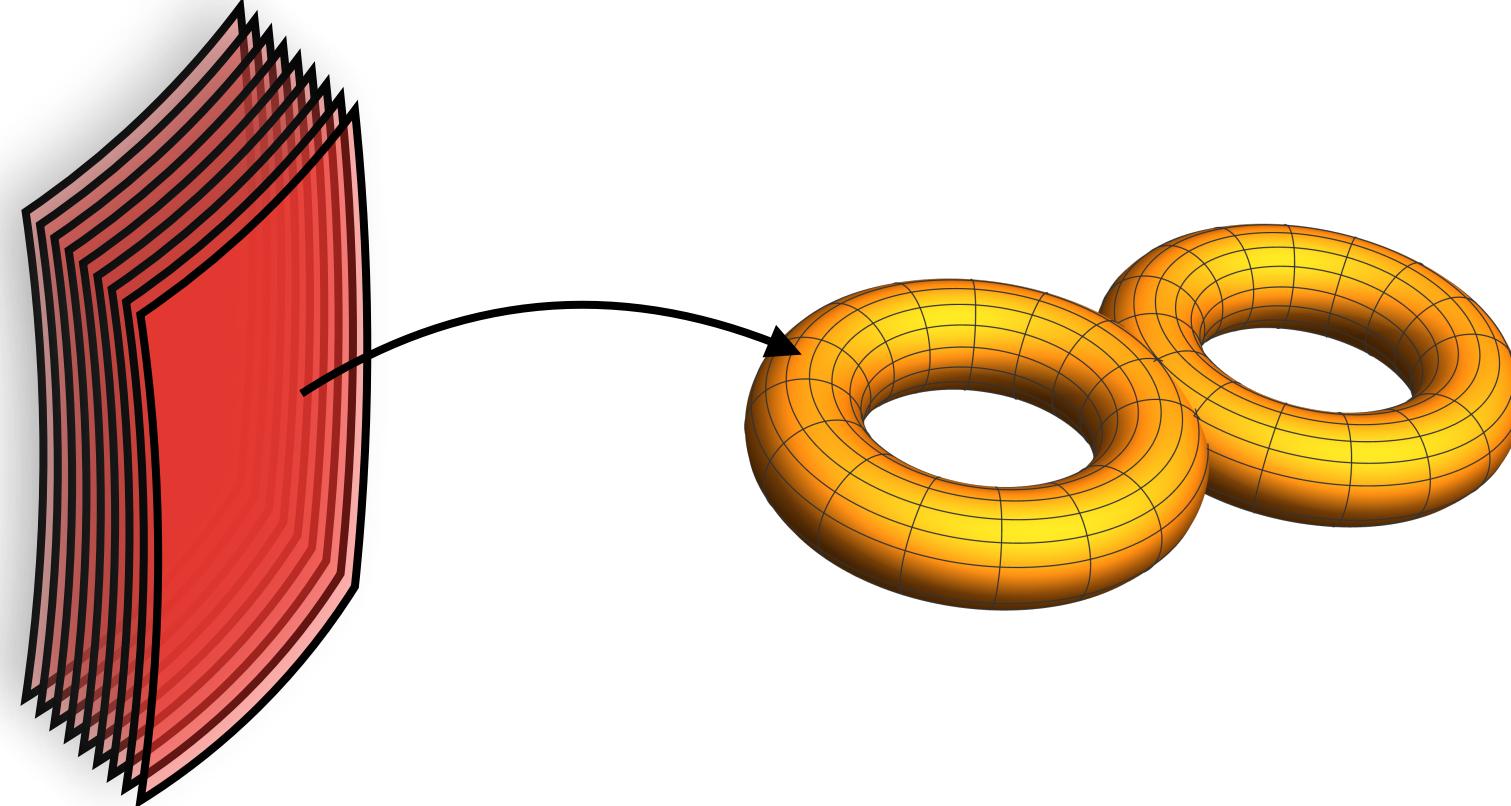
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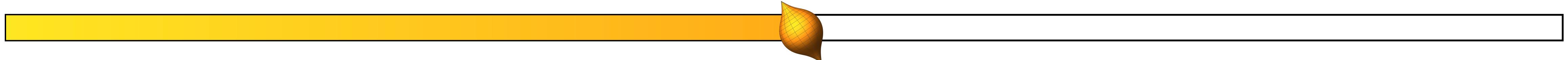
$$I_6 = \int_{C_g} I_8 \sim \sum_{i,j,k=1,2} A_{ijk} c_1(F_i) c_1(F_j) c_1(F_k)$$

Where A_{ijk} abelian anomalies of $4d$ theory

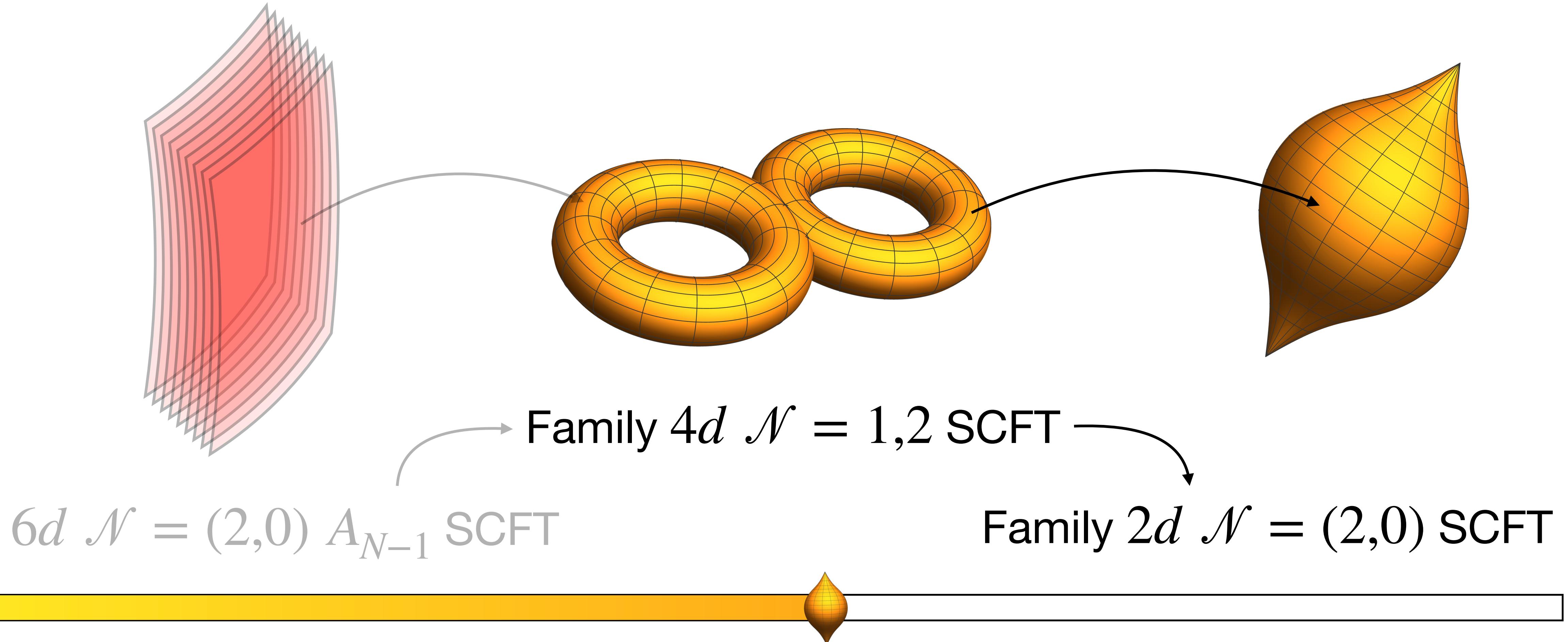
[Bah, Beem, Bobev, Wecht (2012)]

$$A_{RRR} = (g - 1)N^3 \quad A_{RRF} = -\frac{1}{3}(g - 1)zN^3$$

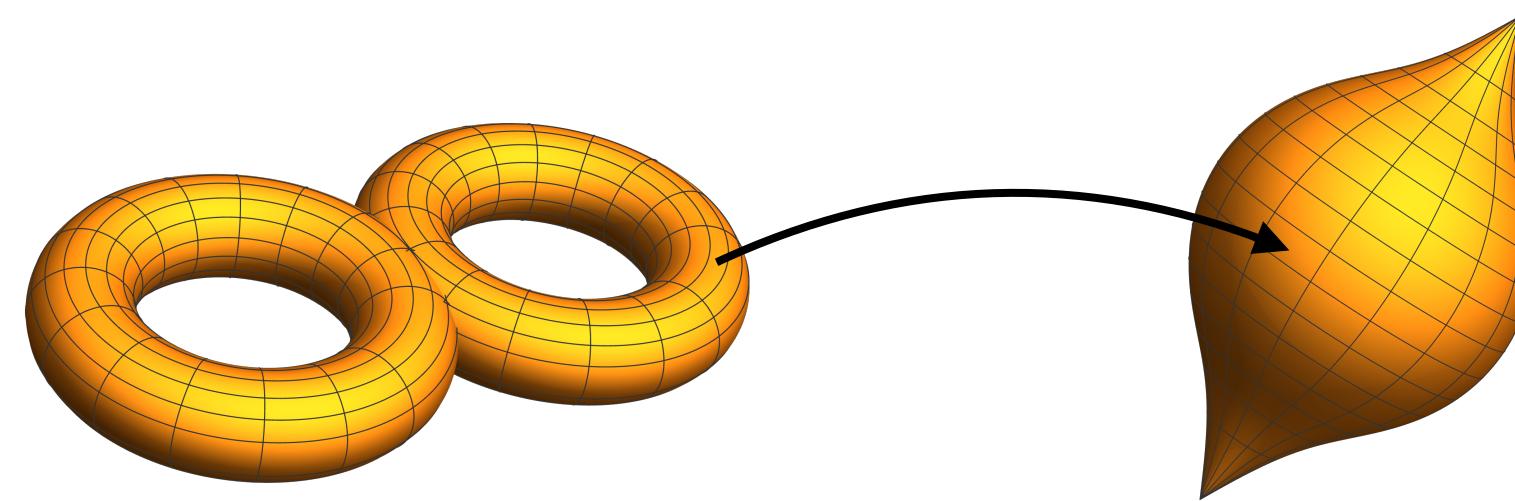
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Two-dimensional Central Charge



[Amariti, Mancani, Morgante,
Petri, Segati (2023)]

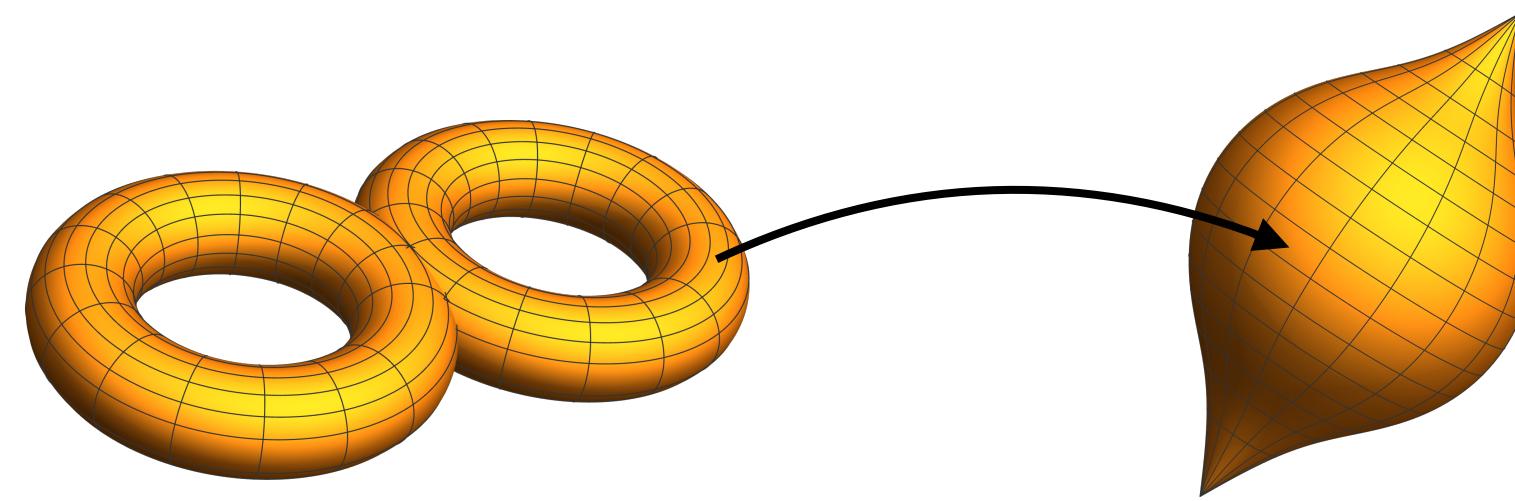
Additional abelian symmetry from
azimuthal rotation on spindle

$$I_4 = \int_{\mathbb{WCP}_{[n_N, n_S]}^1} I_6$$
$$\sim \frac{c_R}{6} c_1(F_R)^2 - \frac{c_R - c_L}{24} p_1(TW_2)$$

Subleading at large N



Two-dimensional Central Charge



Fix magnetic fluxes

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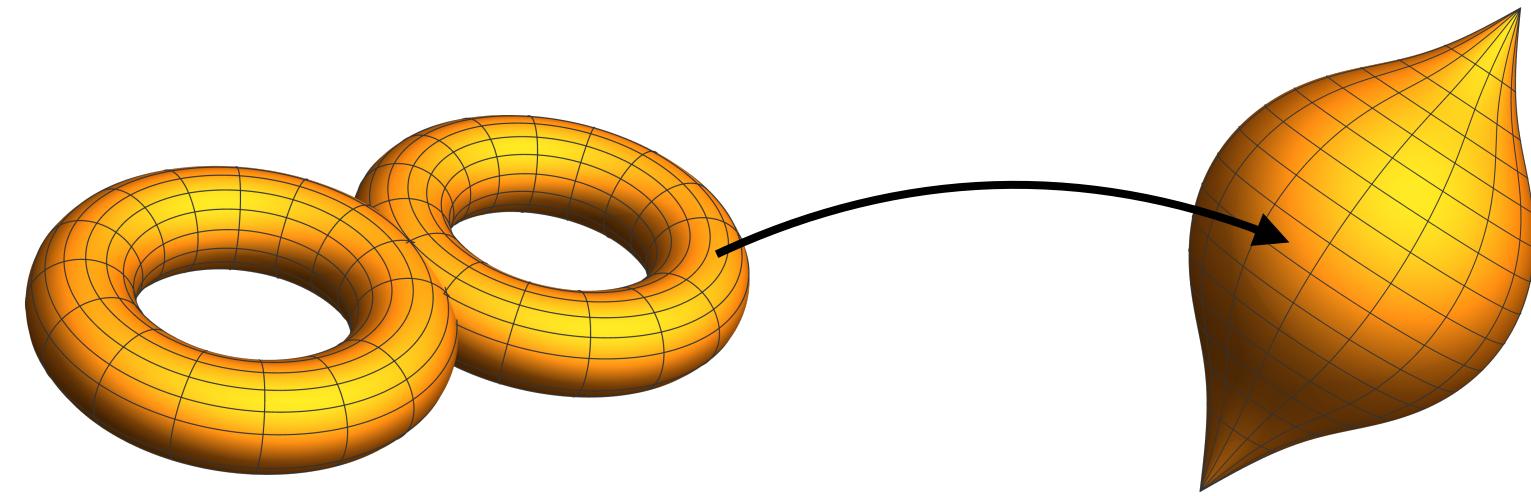
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Preserve SUSY by R-symmetry (anti-)twist



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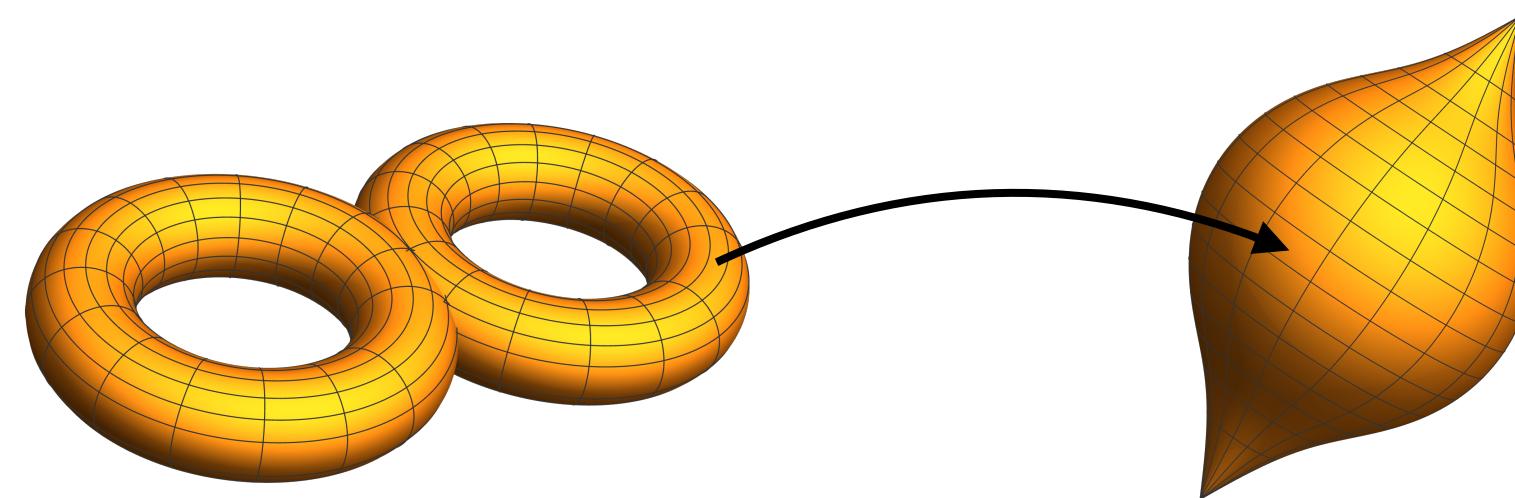
$$\rho_R(y_N) = \frac{(-1)^{t_N}}{n_N} \quad \rho_R(y_S) = \frac{(-1)^{t_S+1}}{n_S}$$

Where $t_N = 0, 1$. Twist $t_S = t_N$, anti-twist
 $t_S = t_N + 1$

Flavour flux fixed up to arbitrary constant



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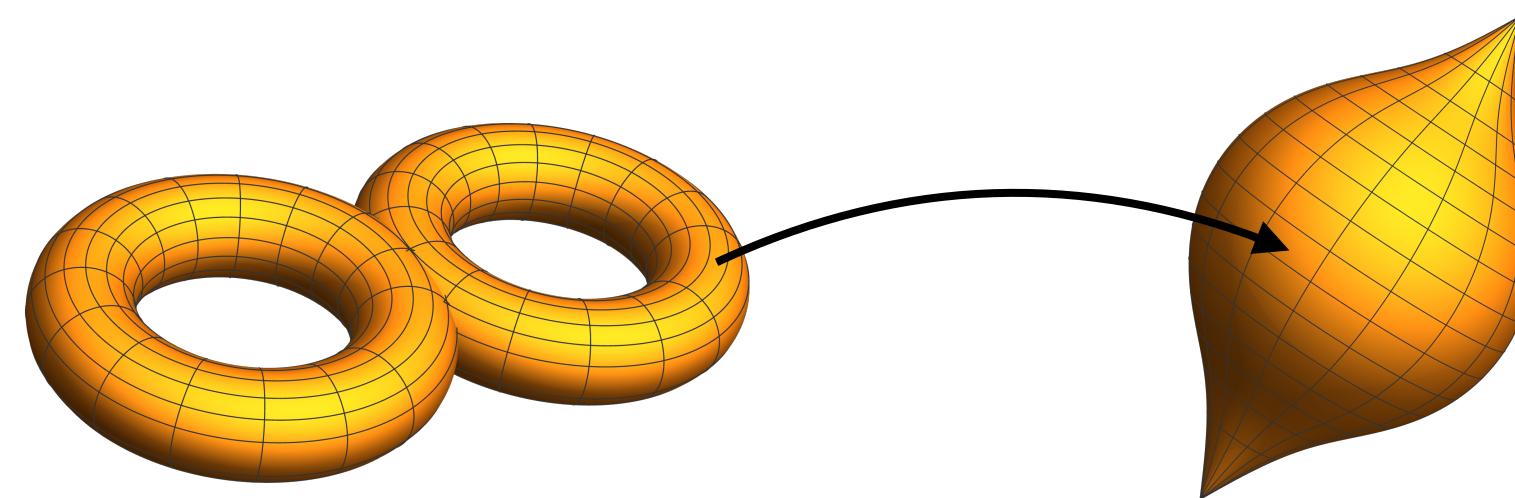
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$$c_R(\epsilon, x) = \frac{6I_4(\epsilon, x)}{c_1(F_R)^2}$$

c -extremization!



Two-dimensional Central Charge

Twist (+) and anti-twist (-)

$$\text{N.B. } \mathbf{z} = \frac{p - q}{p + q}$$

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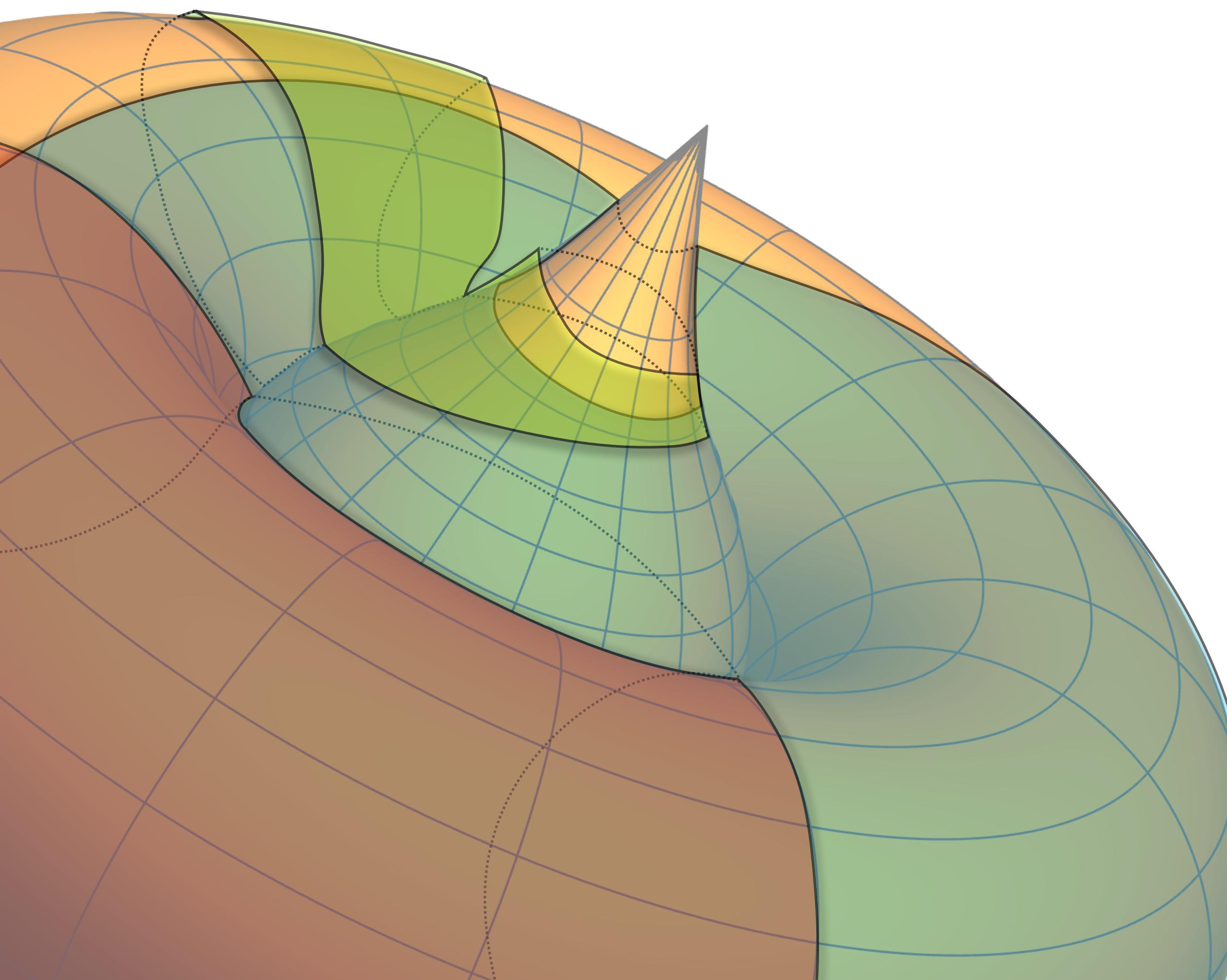
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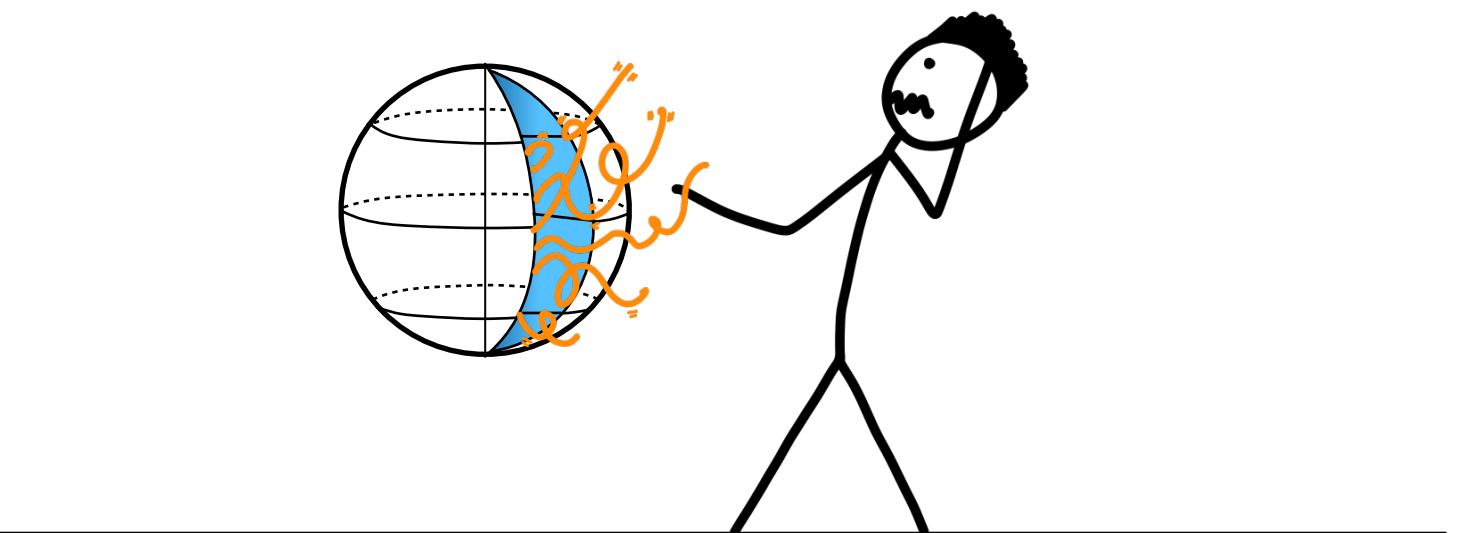
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Checks with limiting cases $n_S = n_N = 1, p_F = 0$ of [Benini, Bobev (2013)]. In this limit $\mathbb{WCP}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$ and isometry enhances $U(1) \rightarrow SU(2)$ therefore $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, i.e. no mixing in extremization.





The Bulk



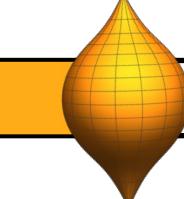
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$5d \mathcal{N} = 2$ gauged supergravity

$\mathcal{N} = 2$ sugra admit coupling to n_V **vectors** and n_H **hypermultiplets**

Gravity and matter multiplets:

- **Gravity multiplet:** $\{e_\mu^a, \psi_\mu^i, A_\mu\}$ graviton, 2 gravitini, graviphoton
- **Vector multiplet:** $\{A_\mu^x, \lambda^{xi}, \phi^x\}$ vector field, 2 gauginos, real scalar
- **Hypermultiplet:** $\{q^X, \zeta^A\}$ 4 real scalars, 2 hyperinos

Total number of vector fields is $n_V + 1 A_\mu^I$



$5d \mathcal{N} = 2$ gauged supergravity

Scalars in multiplets parametrize a moduli space $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{S} \otimes \mathcal{Q}$

- Scalars in vector parametrize \mathcal{S} a **very special real manifold** defined by cubic equation

$$\{h^I(\phi^x) \mid c_{IJK} h^I h^J h^K = 1\} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_V+1}$$

- Scalars in hyper parametrize \mathcal{Q} a **quaternionic Kähler manifold** of real dimension $4n_H$



$5d \mathcal{N} = 2$ gauged supergravity

Gauging of **abelian isometries** of the quaternionic Kähler by vectors A_μ^I generated by **Killing vectors** $k_I^X(q)$ that encode charge of scalars

$$D_\mu q^X = \partial_\mu q^X + g A_\mu^I k_I^X \quad \text{where} \quad k_I^X R_{XY}^r = D_Y P_I^r$$

Here we can define scalar super potential W to restore susy from prepotentials P_I^r .

Superpotential W relevant quantity for extremization! [\[Tachikawa \(2006\)\]](#).

Condition for a - maximization is condition on existence of AdS_5 solution.



$5d \mathcal{N} = 2$ gauged supergravity

Susy vacuum: $\partial_x W = 0, \partial_X W = 0$ from susy variations

$$\delta\psi_\mu = \left(F_\mu + \cdots + \frac{1}{2} g \textcolor{red}{W} \gamma_\mu \right) \epsilon = 0$$

$$\delta\lambda^x = \left(-\frac{i}{2} \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \phi^x + \cdots + i\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} g g^{xy} \partial_y \textcolor{red}{W} \right) \epsilon = 0$$

$$\delta\xi^A = 0 \implies \left(-i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu q^X + \cdots + \frac{3}{8} i g \partial_X \textcolor{red}{W} \right) \epsilon = 0$$



AdS₅ Truncation with Hypers

Starting point: consistent $5d$ truncation from $D = 11$

[Cassani, Josse, Petrini, Waldram (2010)]

- One hypermultiplet
- Two vector multiples

Broken global symmetries in FT related to massive vectors in sugra.
Hypers serve as **Stuckelberg fields**. Massless vectors become massive by Higgs mechanism



AdS₅ Truncation with Hypers

11-dimensional metric ansatz

$$ds_{11}^2 = e^{2\Delta} ds_{\text{AdS}_5}^2 + ds_6^2, \quad ds_6^2 = \bar{\Delta}^{1/2} e^{2g_0} ds_{C_g}^2 + \frac{1}{4} \bar{\Delta}^{-2/3} ds_4^2$$

\mathcal{M}_6 is fibration of squashed S^4 over Riemann surf C_g $\mathcal{M}_4 \hookrightarrow \mathcal{M}_6 \rightarrow C_g$

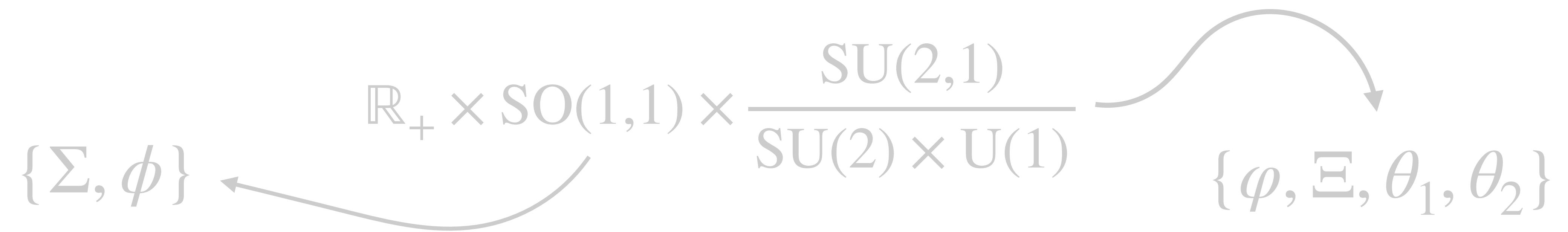
Relation between warp factors $e^{2\Delta} R_{\text{AdS}_5}^2 = e^{2f_0} \bar{\Delta}^{1/3}$

$\bar{\Delta}, f_0, g_0$ depend on **z** and curvature **k** of Riemann surface



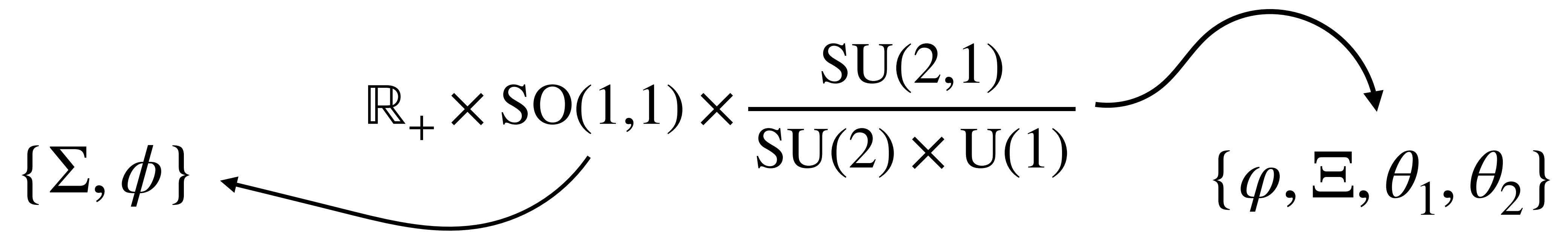
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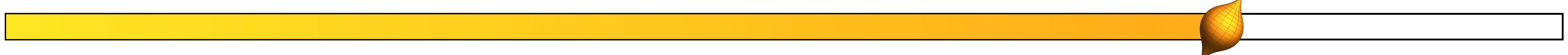
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$$\{(\Sigma, \phi)\} \xleftarrow{\mathbb{R}_+ \times \text{SO}(1,1) \times \frac{\text{SU}(2,1)}{\text{SU}(2) \times \text{U}(1)}} \{(\varphi, \Xi, \theta_1, \theta_2)\}$$

Further truncation consistent with AdS₅ vacuum $\theta_1 = \theta_2 = 0$

$$\text{Superpotential } W = \frac{\Sigma^3((\mathbf{k}e^{2\varphi} + 4)\cosh \varphi - \mathbf{z}ke^{2\varphi} \sinh \varphi) + e^{2\varphi}}{4\Sigma^2}$$



Down to $\text{AdS}_3 \times W\mathbb{CP}_{[n_N, n_S]}^1$

Ansatz $ds^2 = e^{2V(y)}ds_{\text{AdS}_3}^2 + f(y)^2dy^2 + h(y)^2dz^2$ where (y, z) are coordinates on Spindle: $z \sim z + 2\pi$ and $y \in [y_N, y_S]$

Gauge fields: $A^{(I)} = a^{(I)}(y)dz$ where $I = 1, 2$

Field dependence on Spindle coordinates: $\Sigma(y), \phi(y), \varphi(y)$ and $\Xi = \bar{\Xi} \cdot z$



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Orthonormal frame of reference [Arav, Gauntlett, Roberts, Rosen (2022)]

$$e^a = e^V \bar{e}^a, \quad e^3 = f dy, \quad e^4 = h dz$$

Field strength becomes

$$fh F_{34}^{(I)} = \partial_y a^{(I)}$$



Down to $\text{AdS}_3 \times \text{WCP}_{[n_N, n_S]}^1$

Constants

Then, Maxwell's equations are

$$\frac{2e^{3V}}{3\Sigma^2} \left[(\cosh 2\phi - \mathbf{z} \sinh 2\phi) F_{34}^{(1)} + (\mathbf{z} \cosh 2\phi - \sinh 2\phi) F_{34}^{(2)} \right] = \mathcal{E}_1$$

$$\frac{2e^{3V}}{3\Sigma^2} \left[\mathbf{z} \mathbf{k} \Sigma^6 F_{34}^{(0)} - (\cosh 2\phi + \mathbf{z} \sinh 2\phi) F_{34}^{(1)} + (\mathbf{z} \cosh 2\phi + \sinh 2\phi) F_{34}^{(2)} \right] = \mathcal{E}_2$$

$$\partial_y \left(\frac{1}{3} e^{3V} \Sigma^4 F_{34}^{(0)} \right) = \frac{1}{4} e^{4\psi+3V} g f h^{-1} D_z \Xi \quad D_z \Xi = \bar{\Xi} + \underbrace{g(a^{(0)} + \mathbf{z} \mathbf{k} a^{(1)} - \mathbf{z} a^{(2)})}$$

Higgsed combination



Down to $\text{AdS}_3 \times \text{WCP}_{[n_N, n_S]}^1$

BPS equations for this geometry computed by factorizing Killing spinors

$$\epsilon = \psi \otimes \chi : \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla_m \psi = -\frac{\kappa}{2} \Gamma_m \psi, \quad \kappa = \pm 1 \\ \chi = e^{\frac{v}{2}} e^{isz} \begin{pmatrix} \sin \frac{\xi}{2} \\ \cos \frac{\xi}{2} \end{pmatrix} \end{array} \right.$$

Chirality of dual SCFT
 $\mathcal{N} = (0,2)$ or $\mathcal{N} = (2,0)$

Where ψ spinor on Spindle and χ spinor on AdS_3



Down to $\text{AdS}_3 \times \text{WCP}_{[n_N, n_S]}^1$

$\xi' = 2f(gW \cos \xi + \kappa e^{-V}),$	$\phi' = -2fg \sin \xi \partial_\phi W$	BPS equations
$3V' = 2fgW \sin \xi,$	$\varphi' = -fg \sin^{-1} \xi \partial_\varphi W$	
$3\Sigma' = -2fg \Sigma^2 \sin \xi \partial_\Sigma W,$	$3h' = 2fh \sin^{-1} \xi (gW(1 + 2 \cos^2 \xi) - 3\kappa e^{-V} \cot \xi)$	
$\sin \xi(s - Q_z) = -h(gW \cos \xi + \kappa e^{-V})$	$D_\mu \epsilon = (\nabla_\mu - iQ_\mu)\epsilon$	Algebraic
$gh\partial_\varphi W \cos \xi = \partial_\varphi Q_z \sin \xi$		constraints
$\{h \rightarrow -h, a^{(I)} \rightarrow -a^{(I)}, Q_z \rightarrow -Q_z, s \rightarrow -s, \phi \rightarrow -\phi, \mathbf{z} \rightarrow -\mathbf{z}\}$		\mathbb{Z}_2 symmetry



Central Charge from the Poles

BPS equations give $h = ke^V \sin \xi$, k constant

Conditions at poles are enough [Amariti, Petri, Segati (2023)] [Suh (2023)] ...

1. $\cos \xi|_{N,S} = (-1)^{t_{N,S}}$ where $t_{N,S} \in \{0,1\}$ twist or anti-twist
2. $k \sin' \xi|_{N,S} = \frac{(-1)^{l_{N,S}}}{n_{N,S}}$ where $l_N = 0, l_S = 1$ due to \mathbb{Z}_2 symmetry
3. $(s - Q_z)|_{N,S} = \frac{1}{2n_{N,S}}(-1)^{t_{N,S} + l_{N,S} + 1}$ from BPS equations
4. $\partial_\varphi W = 0$ to ensure finiteness of $\varphi(y)$



Central Charge from the Poles

Fluxes can be written in terms of pole data

$$\frac{p_I}{n_N n_S} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\text{WCP}} g F^{(I)} = g \mathcal{J}^{(I)}|_N^S \quad \mathcal{J}^{(I)} \equiv -k e^V \cos \xi h^I$$

Flavour flux $p_F = p_1 = g n_N n_S \mathcal{J}^{(1)}|_N^S$

R-symmetry flux $p_R = -p_2 = \frac{1}{2}(n_S(-1)^{t_N} + n_N(-1)^{t_S})$

Constraint $p_M \propto p_0 + \mathbf{z} \mathbf{k} p_1 - \mathbf{k} p_2 = 0$



Central Charge from the Poles

Equations before fix boundary conditions for V, h, ϕ, Σ . Moreover

$$e^{V(y)} f(y) h(y) = -\frac{k}{2\kappa} (e^{3V(y)} \cos \xi(y))'$$

Very important!!

Central charge

$$c_{2d} = \frac{3}{2G_5} \Delta z \int_{y_n}^{y_s} e^{V(y)} |f(y)h(y)| dy$$



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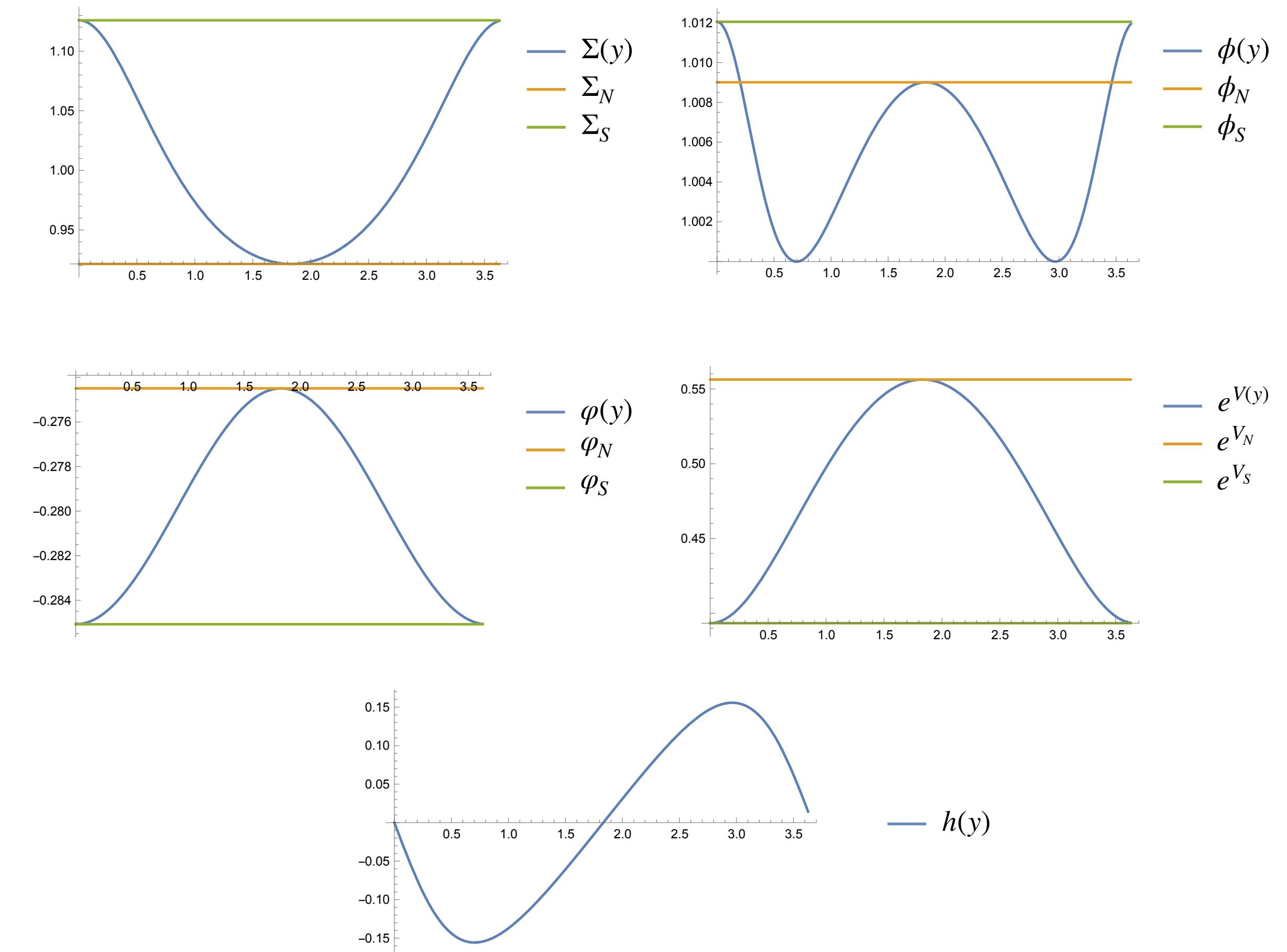
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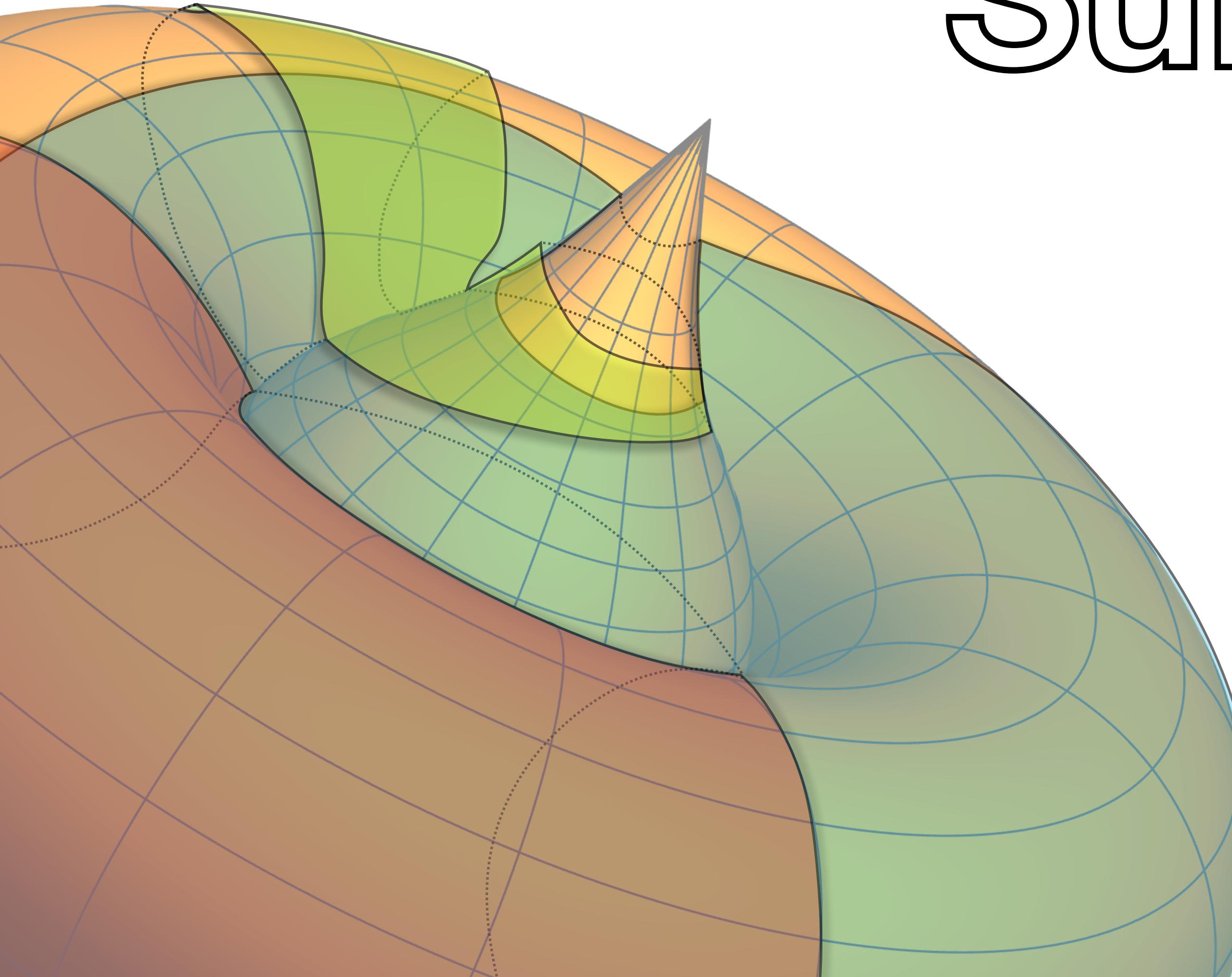
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For generic p_F (consistent with quantization) we find numerical solution by integrating BPS eqns. [Arav, Gauntlett, Roberts, Rosen (2022)] [Amariti, Petri, Segati (2023)] [Suh (2023)]



Still only solutions for $z = -1$ and anti-twist





Summary and Outlook

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We provided a precision test for the AdS/CFT correspondence by

- Computing the central charge of the $2d$ field theory by reduction
- Analyzing the $\text{AdS}_3 \times \mathbb{WCP}^1$ susy solution to $5d$ gauged supergravity in presence of hypermultiplets
- The central charge can be extracted solely from the contribution on the poles of the spindle
- Matching the (very intricate) central charge between the gravity and field theory side

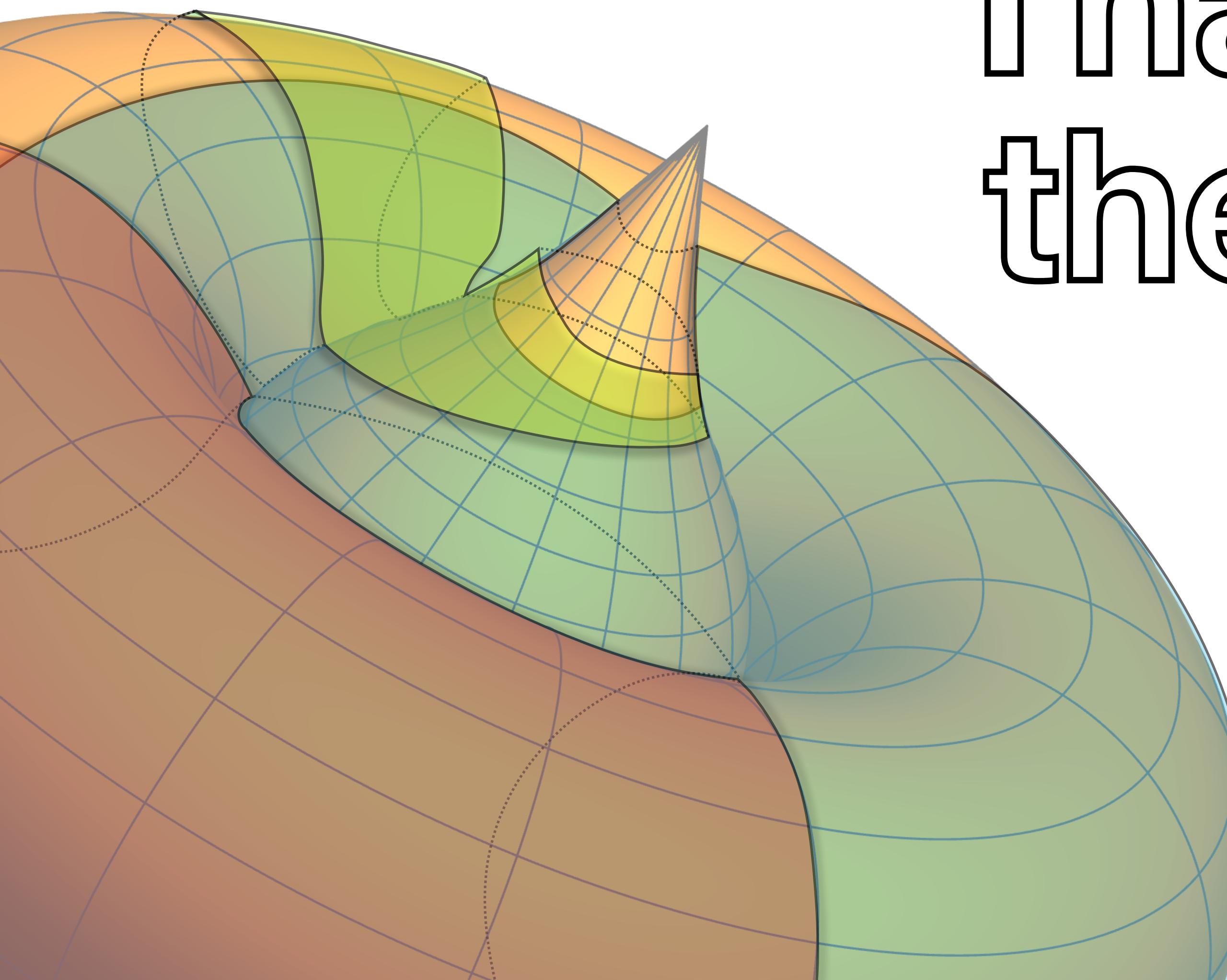


Outlook

Some future avenues

- Computing the sub-leading order contributions to the central charge.
Doable in field theory, very complicated in gravity
- AdS_4 truncations with hypers and their compactifications on spindles
- Compute this model from $11d$ by means of equivariant localization.
Similarly to $\text{AdS}_3 \times M_8$ solutions of [Benetti Genolini, Gauntlett, Sparks (2023)]





Thank You for
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