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EXTENDED PROBES FOR THE HAWKING-PAGE TRANSITION

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Idea: supersymmetric order parameter for the Hawking-Page phase transition via AdS/CFT correspondence

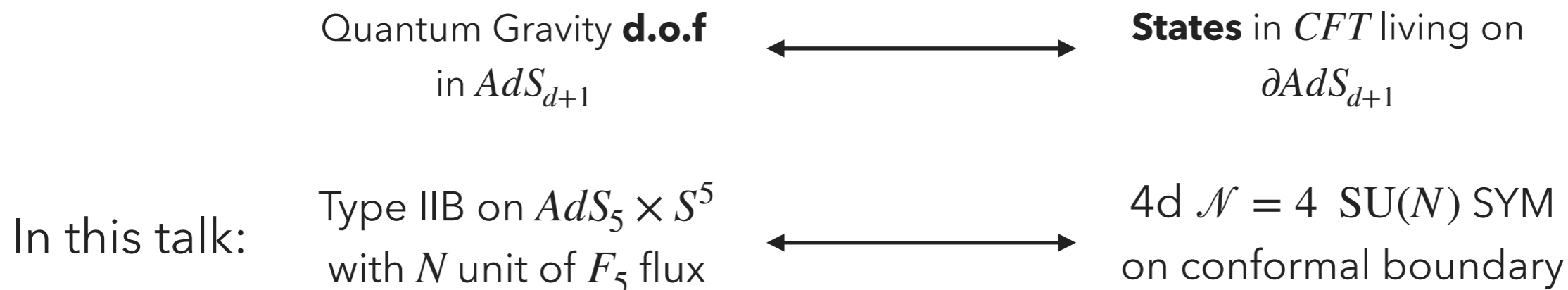
Main result: Computation beyond leading order of superconformal index for a 4d/2d coupled system describing holographically a D3 brane probing the BH geometry

OUTLINE

- ▶ Context and motivation
- ▶ Surface defects
- ▶ Bethe Ansatz Computation
- ▶ Comparison with Cardy approach
- ▶ Conclusions

ANTI-DE SITTER BLACK HOLES

- ▶ Black Holes and their thermodynamics central objects to study quantum properties of gravity
- ▶ AdS BH especially interesting by virtue of AdS/CFT, which provides a non-perturbative definition of QG in AdS spacetime



- ▶ AdS/CFT provides a microscopic explanation to S_{BH}

$$S_{BH} = k_B \frac{c^3 A_{hor}}{4\hbar G_N} = k_B \log n \sim \mathcal{O}(N^2)$$

$1/G_N \sim N^2$

HAWKING-PAGE PHASE TRANSITION

- ▶ Thermodynamics of AdS BH pretty interesting: they exhibit a **first order phase transition** below a certain temperature, **HP transition**
- ▶ At finite temperature, $1/\beta$, competition of saddles contributing to euclidean gravitational path integral with same boundary geometry $S^1_\beta \times S^3$:

$$\mathcal{Z}[\beta] = \int \mathcal{D}g e^{-I[g]} \sim e^{-I_{AdS}[\beta]} + e^{-I_{BH}[\beta]}$$

Semiclassical approx.

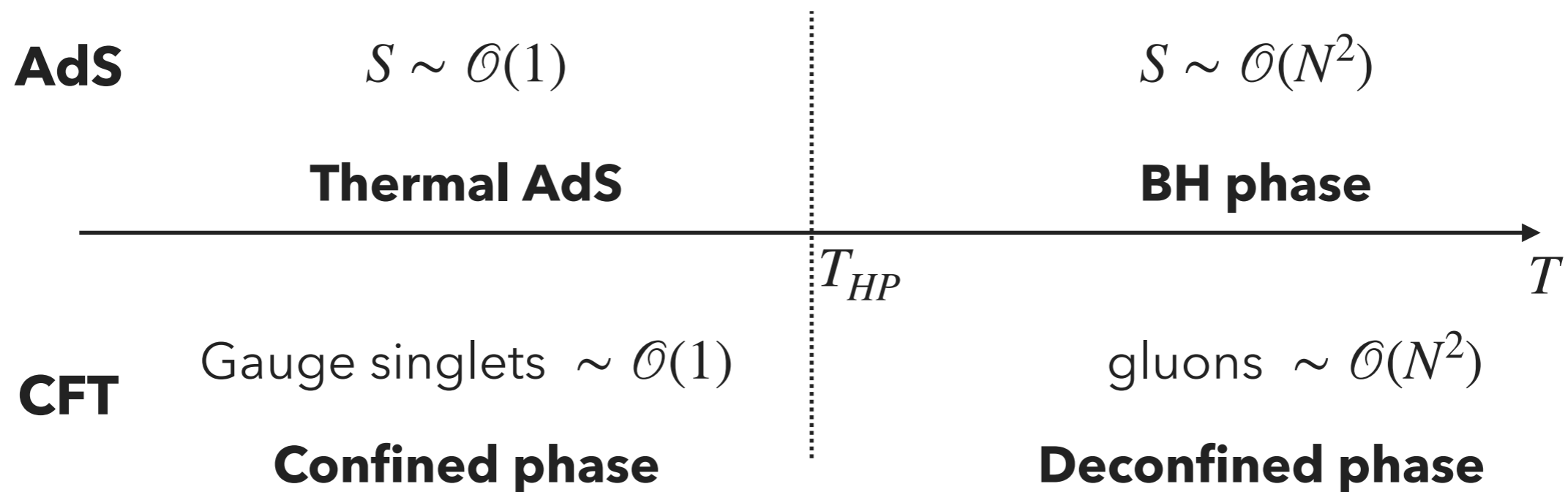
Thermal AdS phase $\longrightarrow T < T_{HP} \quad S \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$

Black Hole phase $\longrightarrow T > T_{HP} \quad S \sim \mathcal{O}(N^2)$

Transition at T_{HP} where $\log \mathcal{Z}_{BH} = 0$

HAWKING-PAGE PHASE TRANSITION

- ▶ Via AdS/CFT HP transition mapped into large N confinement/deconfinement transition in dual $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM on $S^1_\beta \times S^3$ [Witten]



THE SUPERCONFORMAL INDEX

$$(q_1, q_2, q_3) \subset \text{SU}(4)_R$$

- ▶ We consider 1/16-BPS Gutowski-Reall BHs:

$$(j_1, j_2) \subset \text{SO}(4,2)$$

- ▶ Entropy encoded in dual CFT by ensemble of 1/16-BPS states. A natural supersymmetric partition function is the **superconformal index** as it receives contributions only by 1/16-BPS states [Kinney, Maldacena, Minwalla, Raju; Romelsberger]:

$$I(\tau, \sigma, \xi) = \text{Tr}(-1)^F e^{-\beta\{Q, \bar{Q}\}} e^{2\pi i\tau(j_1 + \frac{r}{2})} e^{2\pi i\sigma(j_2 + \frac{r}{2})} \prod_a e^{2\pi i\xi_a q_a}$$

- ▶ Analytic continuation to complex chemical potentials crucial to **obstruct boson-fermions cancellations** due to $(-1)^F$ and recover BH entropy [Benini, Zaffaroni; Hosseini, Hristov, Zaffaroni; Benini, Milan; Choi, Kim, Kim, Nahmgoong; Cabo-Bizet, Cassani, Martelli, Murthy]
- ▶ Related to Euclidean supersymmetric partition function on $S^1_\beta \times S^3$ [Gadde, Yan; Closset, Dumitrescu, Festuccia, Komargodski; Cabo-Bizet, Cassani, Martelli, Murthy]

$$\mathcal{Z}_{S^1_\beta \times S^3} = e^{-\beta\mathcal{F}} I$$

Supersymmetric
Casimir Energy

- ▶ Globally defined Killing spinor on $S^1_\beta \times S^3$ **requires** a constraint on chemical potentials

$$\sum_a \xi_a - \tau - \sigma = n_0 \longrightarrow n_0 \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \text{Cannot be **purely imaginary** for } n_0 \neq 0!$$

- ▶ Reflected in supergravity in corresponding constraint on chemical potentials conjugated to BH charges [Cabo-Bizet, Cassani, Martelli, Murthy]

$$n_0 = 0: \mathcal{Z}_{S^1_\beta \times S^3} \text{ with periodic conditions for fermions along } S^1_\beta \quad \chi(t + \beta) = \chi(t) \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{'First sheet'} \\ \log \mathcal{Z}_{S^1_\beta \times S^3} \stackrel{N \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} \mathcal{O}(1) \end{array}$$

$$n_0 = \pm 1: \mathcal{Z}_{S^1_\beta \times S^3} \text{ anti-periodic conditions for fermions along } S^1_\beta \quad \chi(t + \beta) = -\chi(t), \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{'Second sheet'} \\ \log \mathcal{Z}_{S^1_\beta \times S^3} \stackrel{N \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} \mathcal{O}(N^2) \end{array}$$

thermal partition function

SUPERSYMMETRIC PROBES

- ▶ Evaluating $\mathcal{Z}_{S^1_\beta \times S^3}$ in the BH phase at large N :

$$\log \mathcal{Z}_{S^1_\beta \times S^3} \sim -i\pi N^2 \frac{\Delta_1(\beta)\Delta_2(\beta)\Delta_3(\beta)}{\tau(\beta)\sigma(\beta)}$$

$\mathcal{Z}_{S^1_\beta \times S^3}$ detects **deconfinement transition** \iff reproduces **BH entropy function**
 [Hosseini, Hristov, Zaffaroni]

$$\beta_{HP} \text{ defined by } \log \mathcal{Z}_{S^1_\beta \times S^3} = 0$$

- ▶ Can we define an order parameter for the HP transition via CFT side?

Thermal non-susy partition function

[Sundborg; Aharony, Marsano, Minwalla, Papadodimas, Van Raamsdonk]

Polyakov loops insertions

Spin chain systems [Perez-Garcia, Santilli, Tierz]

Superconformal Index

Supersymmetric order parameter

Gukov-Witten surface defects

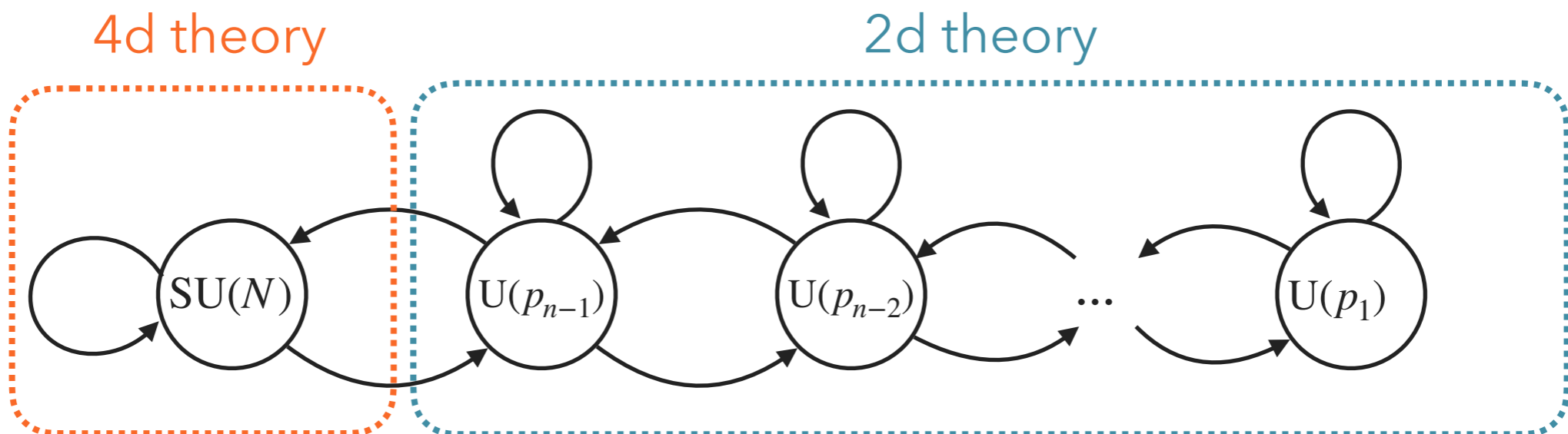
[Chen, Heydeman, Wang, Zhang]

GUKOV-WITTEN DEFECTS

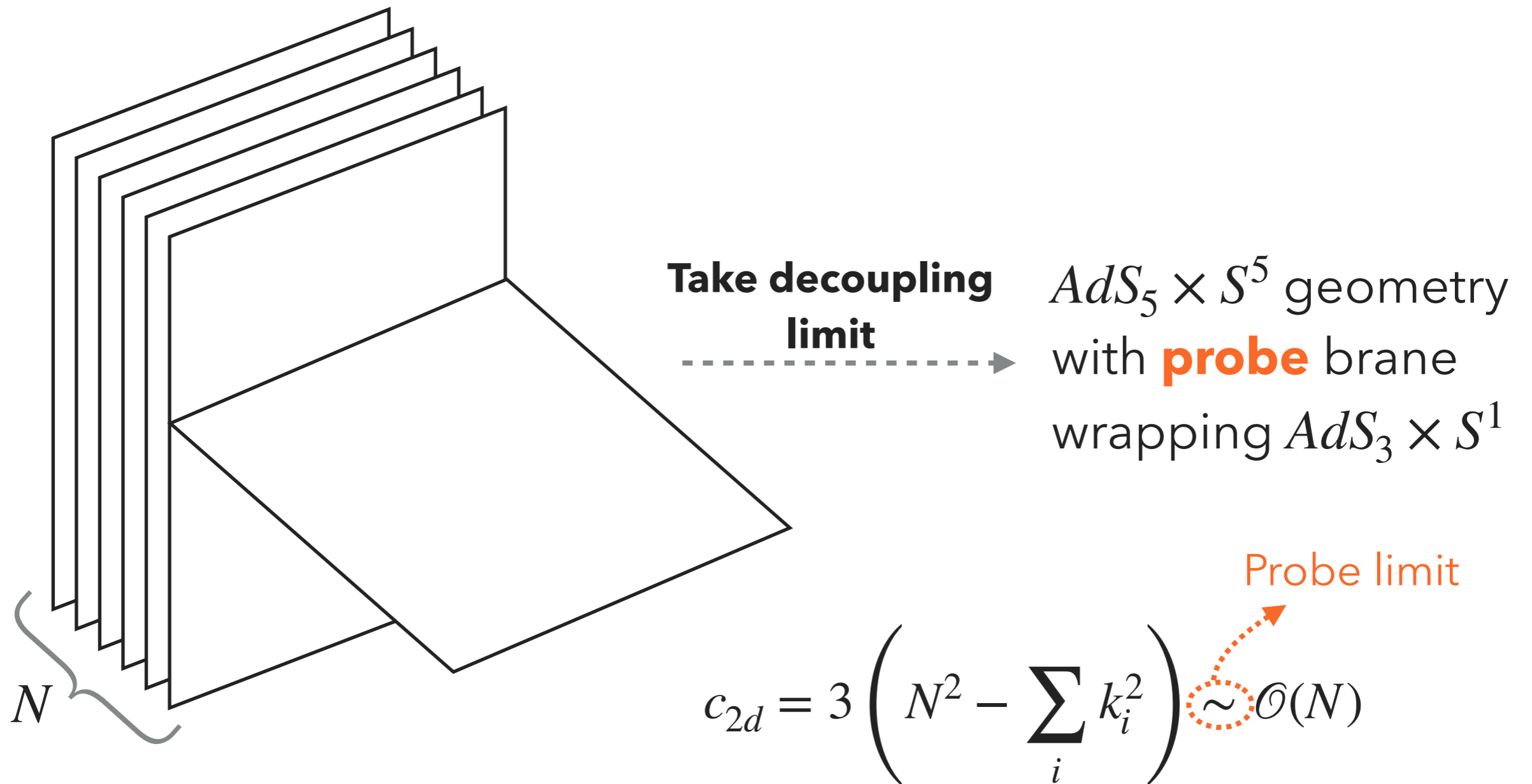
- ▶ We consider **half-BPS surface** operators defined by singularity for 4d fields along the surface of the defect in $SU(N)$ $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM [Gukov, Witten]
- ▶ GW defects are **uniquely** specified by choice of **Levi subgroup** $\mathbb{L} \subseteq G$ preserved on the support of the defect.

$$\mathbb{L} \subseteq SU(N) \iff [\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_s], \quad \sum_{j=1}^s \lambda_j = N, \quad \lambda_j \in \mathbb{N}$$

- ▶ Equivalently, GW defects defined in terms of 2d gauge theory living on the defect surface coupled to the bulk 4d theory



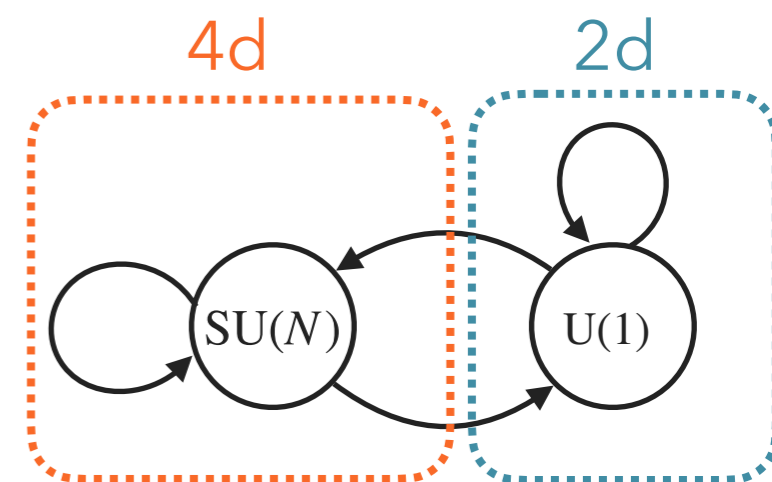
- ▶ The surface defect admits a holographic interpretation in Type IIB string theory: intersecting D3 branes [Constable, Erdmenger, Guralnik, Kirsch; Koh, Yamaguchi]



THE DEFECT INDEX

- ▶ We can define a new observable of the theory, **the defect index**, which realizes the insertion of GW defect [Gukov, Gadde]
- ▶ To compute index one needs to **embed** the 2d superconformal algebra in 4d $\mathfrak{u}(1)_A \times \mathfrak{psu}(1, 1|2) \times \mathfrak{psu}(1, 1|2) \times \mathfrak{u}(1)_C \subset \mathfrak{psu}(2, 2|4)$
- ▶ Focus on **maximal** GW defects $[N - 1, 1]$:

$$c_{2d} = 6(N - 1)$$



$$I_{\mathcal{D}}(\tau, \sigma, \Delta) = \int \prod_{i=1}^N du_i Z_{4d}(\mathbf{u}) Z_{2d}(\mathbf{u}) = \int \prod_{i=1}^N du_i Z_{4d}(\mathbf{u}) \sum_{j=1}^N Z_{2d}^j(\mathbf{u})$$

$$\langle \mathcal{D} \rangle = \frac{I_{\mathcal{D}}}{I_{4d}}$$

BETHE ANSATZ APPROACH


- ▶ We evaluate the index with Bethe Ansatz approach with $\tau = \sigma$
[Closset, Kim, Willett; Benini, Milan]
- ▶ Index expanded over solution to set of auxiliary Bethe Ansatz Equations $Q_i = 1$

$$I = \sum_{u^* \in \mathfrak{M}_{\text{BAE}}} Z(u^*) H^{-1}(u^*)$$

BH entropy encoded within **'basic solution'**

$$u_i^* = \bar{u} + \frac{\tau}{N} i, \quad \sum_{i=1}^N u_i^* \in \mathbb{Z} + \tau \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\log I_{4d} = -\frac{\pi i}{\tau^2} N^2 \prod_{a=1}^3 (\{\Delta_a\}_\tau - n) + \log N + \mathcal{O}(N^0) \quad \sum_{a=1}^3 \{\Delta_a\}_\tau - \tau - \sigma = 1 + n$$

 $n = 0, 1$

EVALUATION BETHE ANSATZ

- ▶ We want to compute I_D on 'basic solution' \longrightarrow associated to BH saddle
- ▶ Does Bethe Ansatz hold for I_D ? Yes, but non trivial a priori. The insertion of the defect does not modify BAE or Bethe operators

$$\log I_{\mathcal{D}} = -\frac{\pi i}{\tau^2} N^2 \prod_{a=1}^3 (\{\Delta_a\}_\tau - n) + \frac{2\pi i}{\tau} N \prod_{a=2}^3 (\{\Delta_a\}_\tau - n) + \log N + \mathcal{O}(N^0)$$

Controlled by **2d central charge**:
consistent with probe limit, subleading
effect $\mathcal{O}(N)$

Consistent and generalizes results of
[Chen, Heydeman, Wang, Zhang; Cabo-Bizet,
David, Lezcano]

$$\langle \mathcal{D} \rangle = \exp \left(\frac{2\pi i}{\tau} N \prod_{a=2}^3 (\{\Delta_a\}_\tau - n) \right) \neq 0$$

COMPARISON WITH CARDY-LIKE LIMIT

- ▶ **Cardy-like limit:** Limit of small chemical potentials $|\tau|, |\sigma| \rightarrow 0$ with $\text{Im}(\tau) \in \mathbb{R}^+, \text{Im}(\sigma) \in \mathbb{R}^+, \frac{\tau}{\sigma}$ fixed and $\Delta \in \mathbb{C}$ fixed.

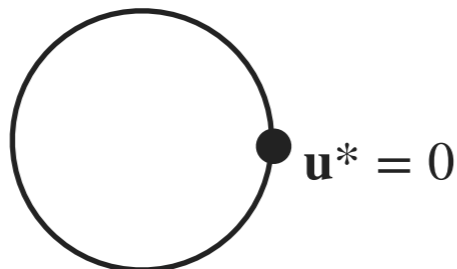
$$I \longrightarrow \sum_{\mathbf{u}^*} e^{-S_{\text{eff}}(\mathbf{u}^*)} Z_{S^3}$$

Leading contribution from saddle

Subleading corrections from perturbations around the saddle

- ▶ The insertion of the defect does not change leading order saddles

BH saddle



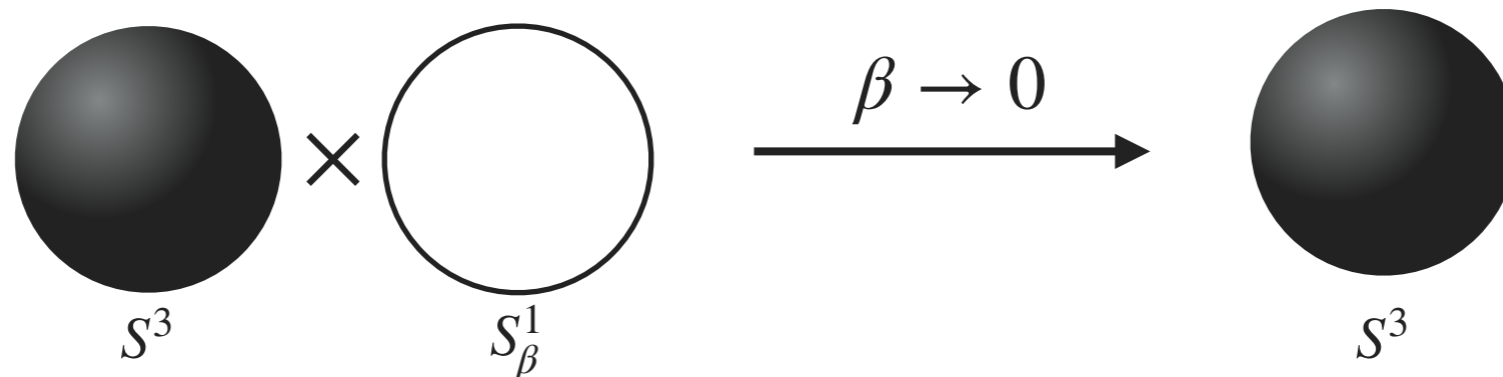
Exponentially suppressed terms in $|\tau|, |\sigma|$

$$\log I_{\mathcal{D}} = -\frac{\pi i}{\tau \sigma} N^2 \prod_{a=1}^3 (\{\Delta_a\} - n) + \frac{2\pi i}{\sigma} N \prod_{a=2}^3 (\{\Delta_a\} - n) + \log N + \dots$$

Subleading corrections Z_{S^3} crucial to recover reliable result!

EFFECTIVE FIELD THEORY

- ▶ Without evaluating Z_{S^3} :
 1. $\log N^2$ correction
 2. Asymmetry between 2nd and 3rd sheets
- ▶ Z_{S^3} encodes information about underlying EFT controlling the dynamics near each saddle. **CS theories**
- ▶ Cardy-like limit is a high-temperature limit: $|\tau|, |\sigma| \propto \beta$



- ▶ In probe limit EFT unaltered by GW insertion.
- ▶ N wounded Wilson loop on one sheet from GW insertion. Contribution vanishes upon including all corrections to Z_{S^3} explicitly symmetrizing the results in the two equivalent sheets.

CONCLUSIONS

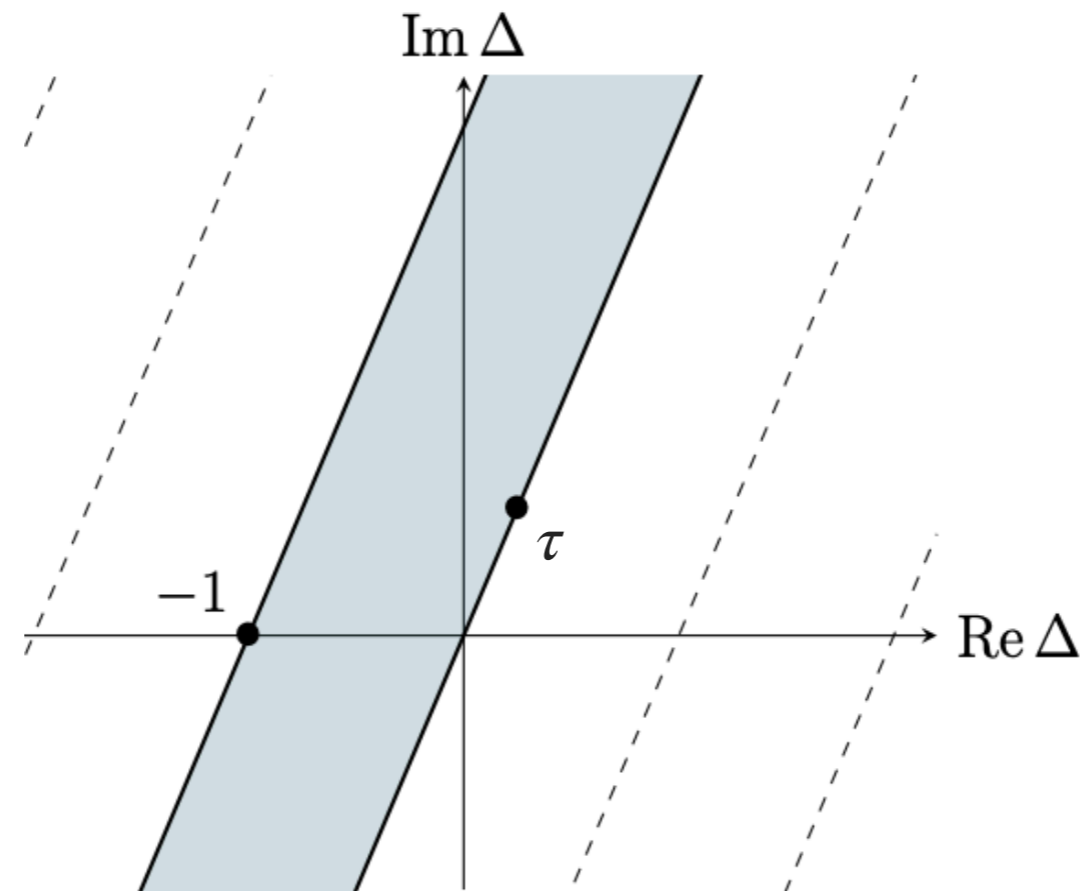
- ▶ We studied subleading corrections to superconformal index of 4d/2d coupled system associated to inserting maximal GW defect in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM
- ▶ Holographically corresponds to D3-brane probing BH geometry
- ▶ Defect has non-zero expectation value in deconfinement/BH phase
- ▶ **Future directions:**
 1. $[M, N - M]$ GW defect
 2. $\mathcal{N} = 2$ cases
 3. study matrix model [Copetti, Grassi, Komargodski, Tizzano]

THANKS!

DEFECT INDEX

$$I_{\mathcal{D}} = \frac{(p; p)_{\infty}^{N-1} (q; q)_{\infty}^{N-1}}{N!} \prod_{a=1}^3 \Gamma_e(\Delta_a)^{N-1} \oint \mathbf{du} \frac{\prod_{a=1}^3 \prod_{i \neq j} \tilde{\Gamma}_e(u_i - u_j + \Delta_a)}{\prod_{i \neq j} \tilde{\Gamma}_e(u_i - u_j)} \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \prod_{j \neq i} \frac{\theta_0(-u_{ij} - \Delta_2 + \sigma) \theta_0(u_{ij} - \Delta_1 - \Delta_2 + 2\sigma)}{\theta_0(-u_{ij} + \Delta_1 - \sigma) \theta_0(u_{ij})} \right)$$

BETHE ANSATZ



EFT

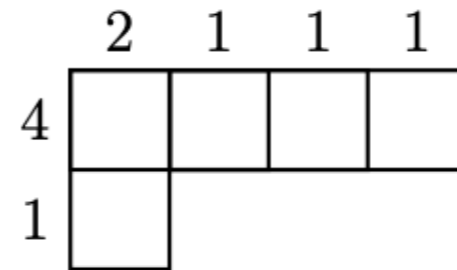
$$\mathcal{I} = N \exp \left(-\frac{\pi i(N^2 - 1)}{\sigma\tau} \prod_{a=1}^3 (\{\Delta_a\} - n) + \frac{2\pi i(N - 1)}{\sigma} \prod_{a=2}^3 (\{\Delta_a\} - n) - \frac{\pi i n_0(N^2 - 1)(\omega_1^2 + \omega_2^2 + 3\omega_1\omega_2)}{12\omega_1\omega_2} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{N!} \int d\Lambda \int \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{d\lambda_i}{\sqrt{-\omega_1\omega_2}} \frac{e^{-\frac{\pi i n_0 N}{\omega_1\omega_2} \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i^2 + 2\pi i \Lambda \sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j}}{\prod_{i < j} \Gamma_h(\lambda_{ij}) \Gamma_h(-\lambda_{ij})} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{e^{-2\pi i n N \frac{\lambda_i}{\omega_2} + \pi i n(N-1)}}{\prod_{j \neq i}^N \left(1 - e^{-2\pi i \frac{\lambda_{ij}}{\omega_2}} \right)}.$$

GENERALITIES ON GW DEFECTS

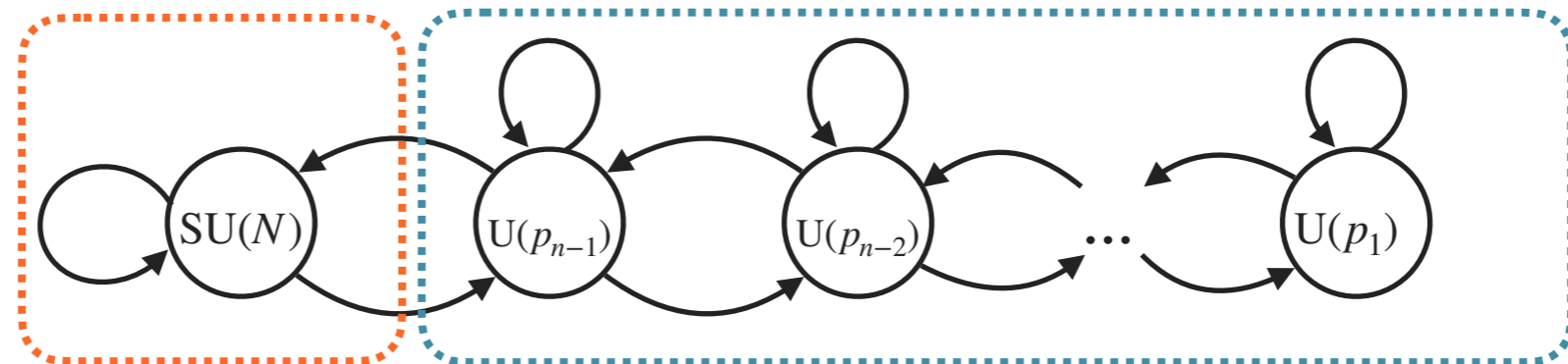
$$A = a(r) d\theta + \dots, \quad \phi = b(r) \frac{dr}{r} - c(r) d\theta + \dots$$

$$G = \text{SU}(5)$$

$$\mathbb{L} = [4, 1]$$



$$p_j = \sum_{i=1}^j k_i$$



$$\mathcal{I}_{\text{NSNS}} = \text{Tr}_{\text{NSNS}} (-1)^F e^{2\pi i \tau_{2d} L_0} e^{-2\pi i \bar{\tau}_{2d} (\bar{L}_0 - \frac{1}{2} \bar{J}_0)} e^{2\pi i z_{\text{NS}} J_0} e^{2\pi i \chi J_A} e^{2\pi i u_C}$$

$$\sigma = \tau_{2d}, \quad \tau = \frac{\tau_{2d}}{2} - u_C, \quad \Delta_1 = \frac{\tau_{2d}}{2} + 2\chi - u_C, \quad \Delta_2 = \frac{\tau_{2d}}{2} + z - 2\chi,$$