

Title: Cosmology and the AdS/CFT

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Abstract:

AdS/CFT & Cosmology

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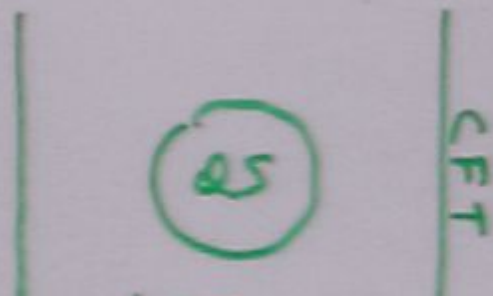
→ Dual CFT provides non-perturbative
Definition of QG in this bkg.

Glaring Problem : AdS is not (really) a cosmology

→ Static, SUSic, ...

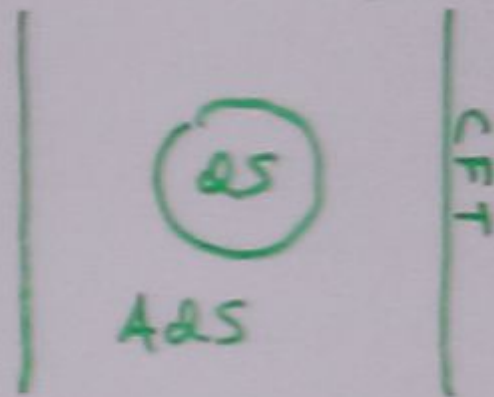
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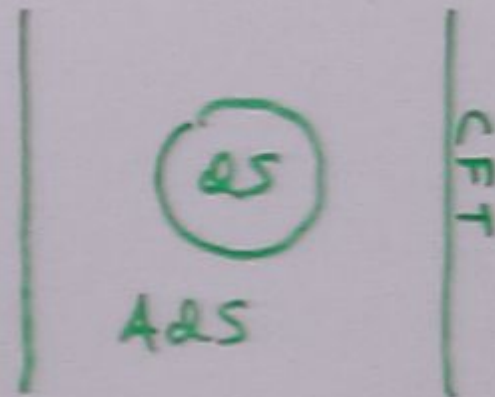
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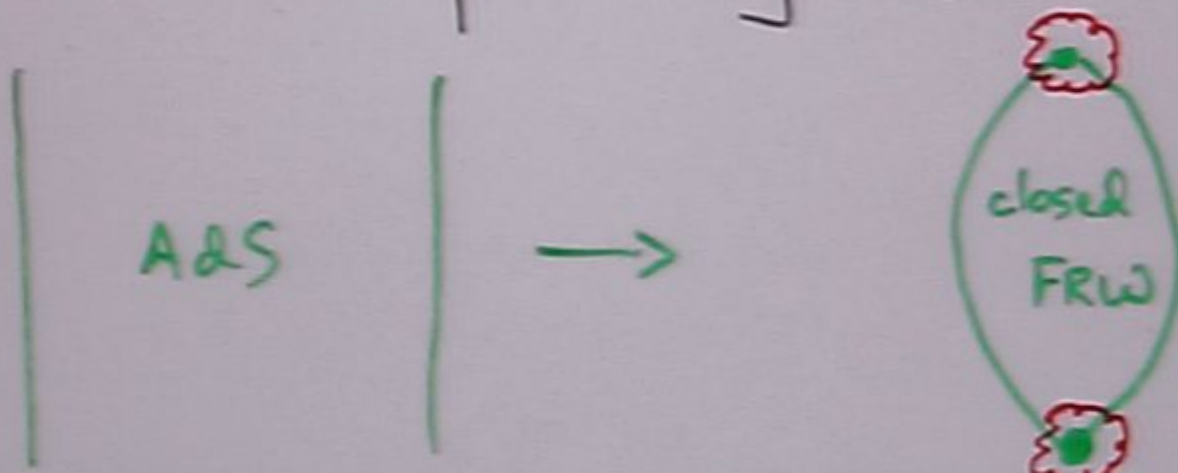
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Plan

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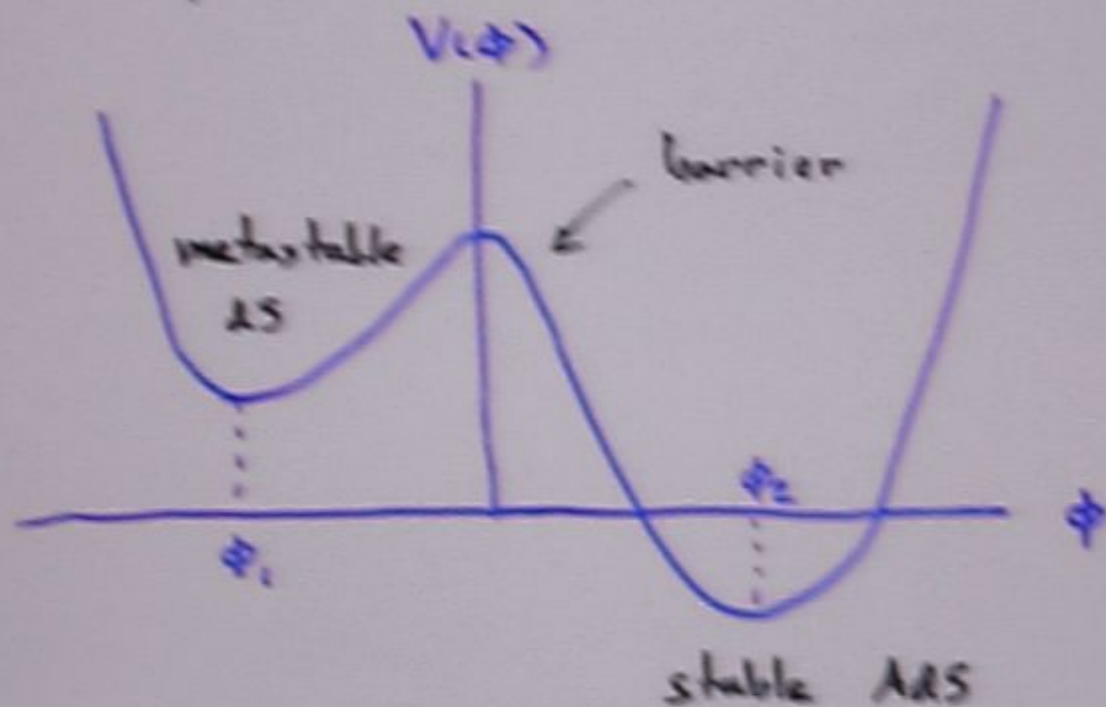
→ Define Hartle - Hawking state

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III) Future Directions

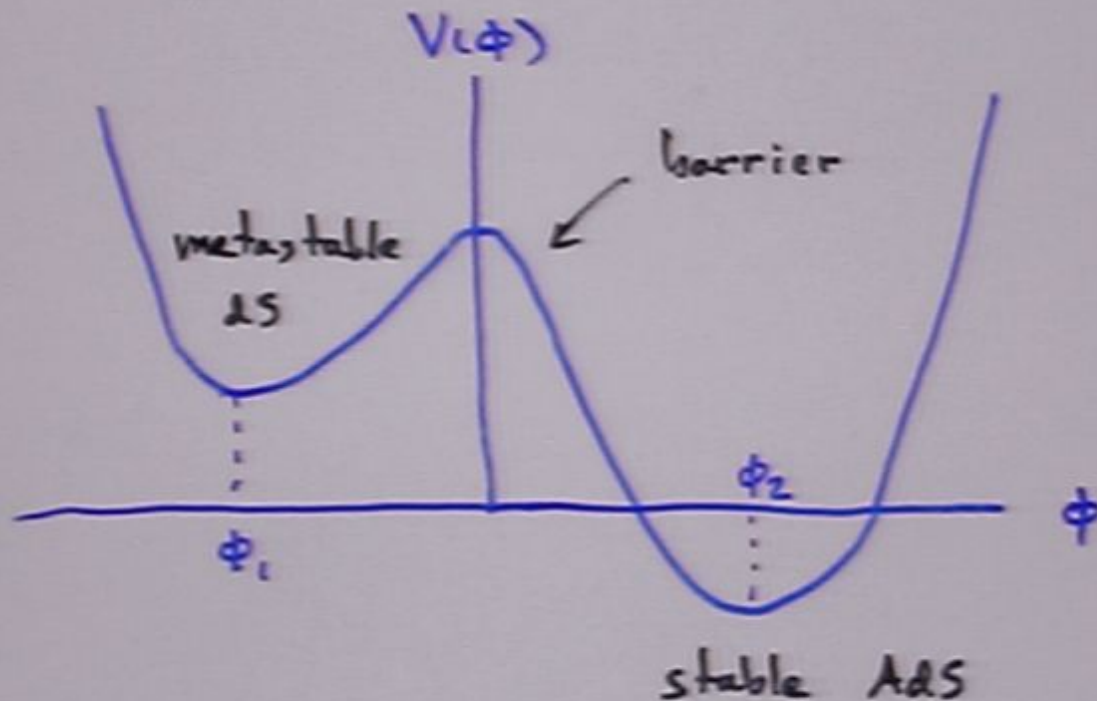
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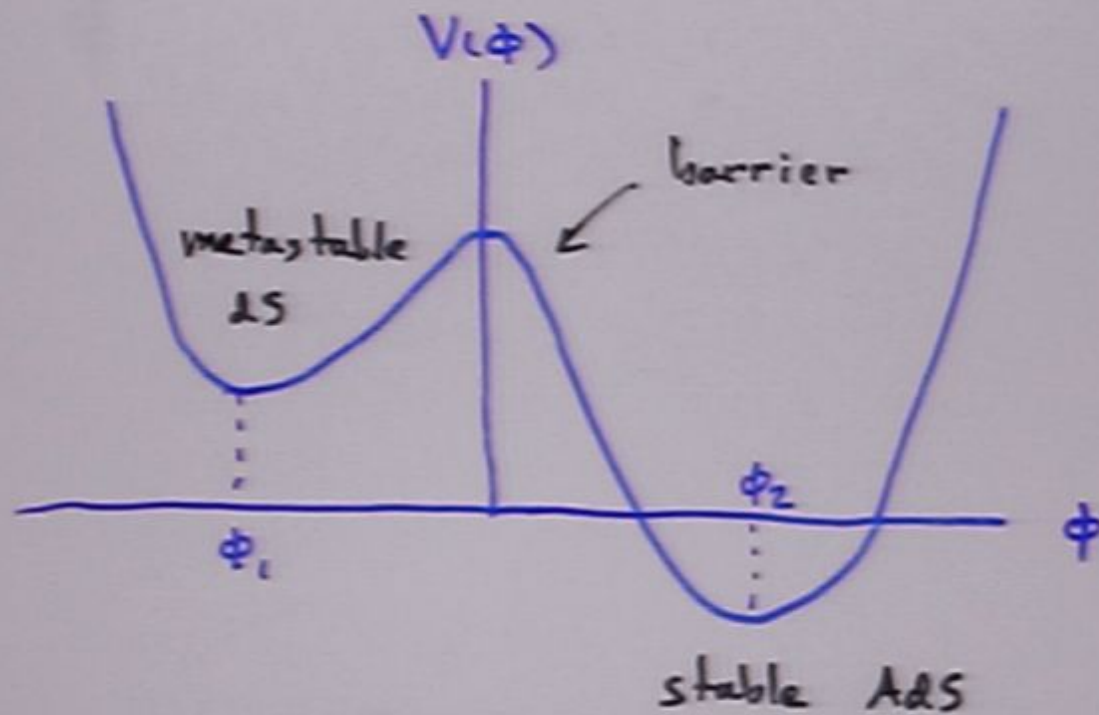


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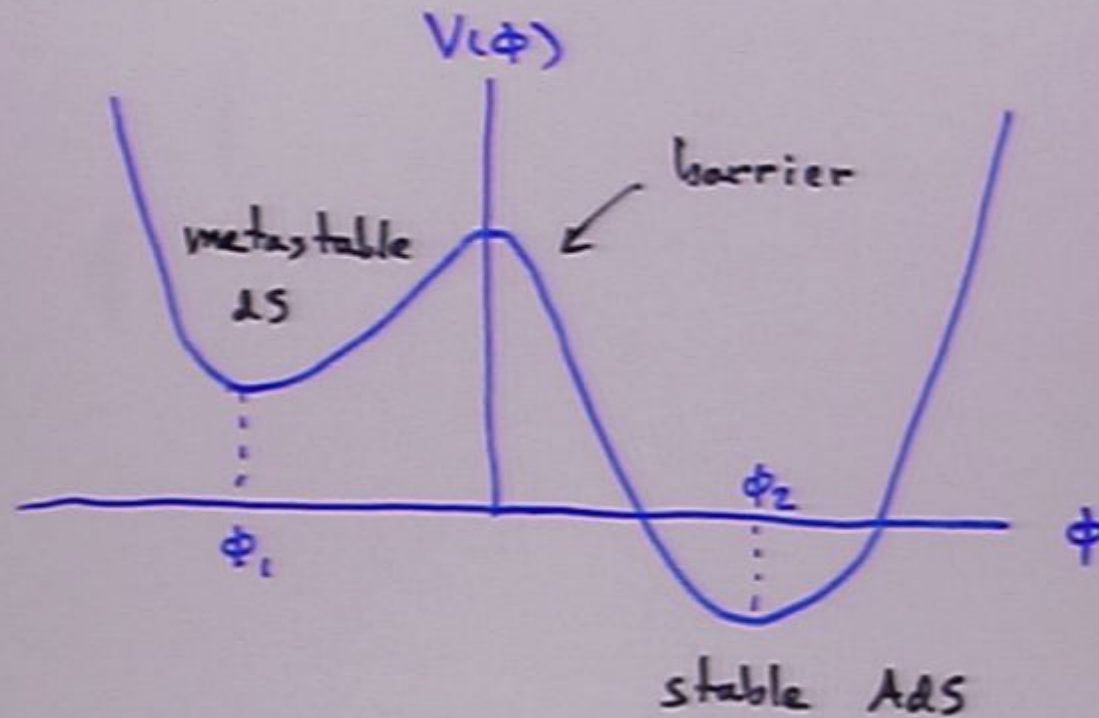
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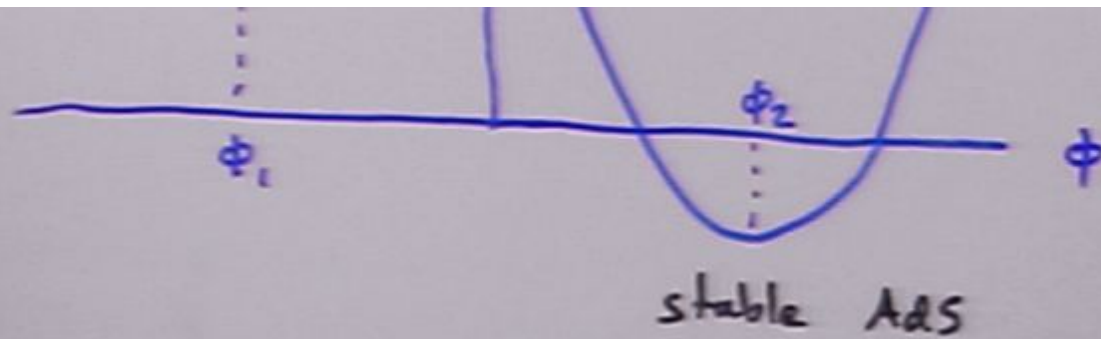
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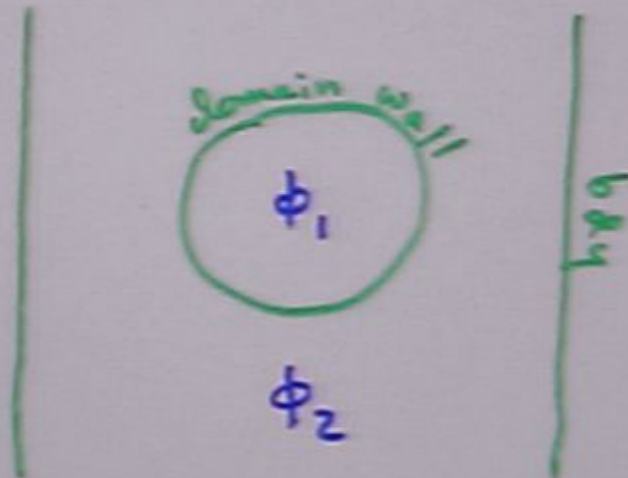
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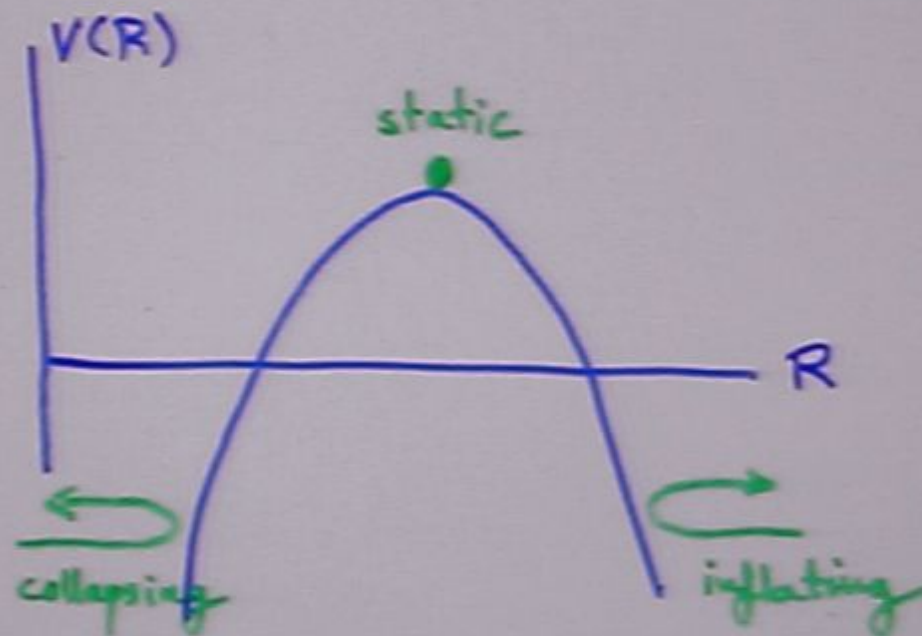
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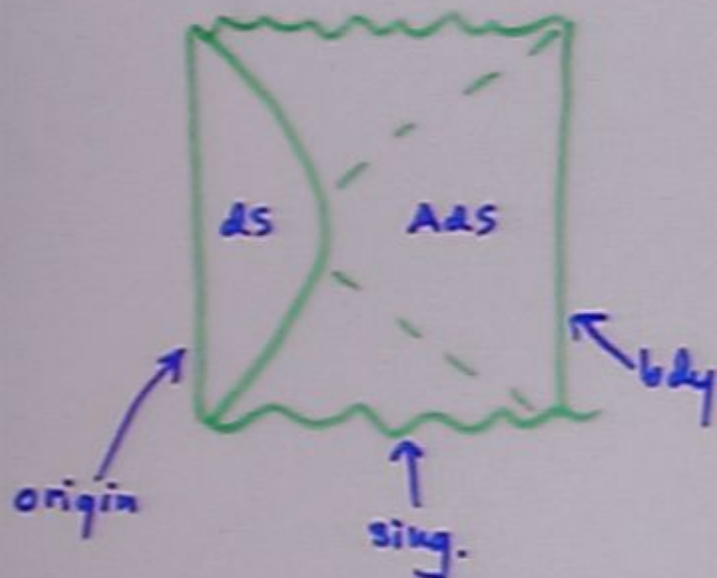
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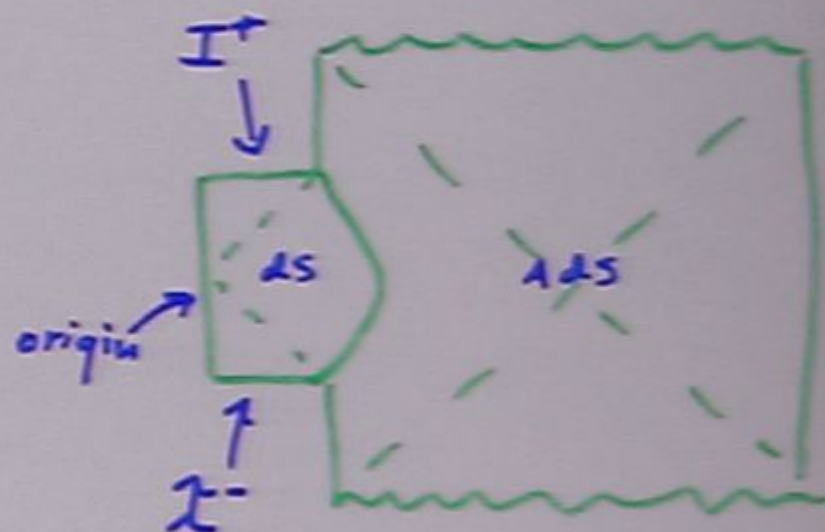


Causal Structure :

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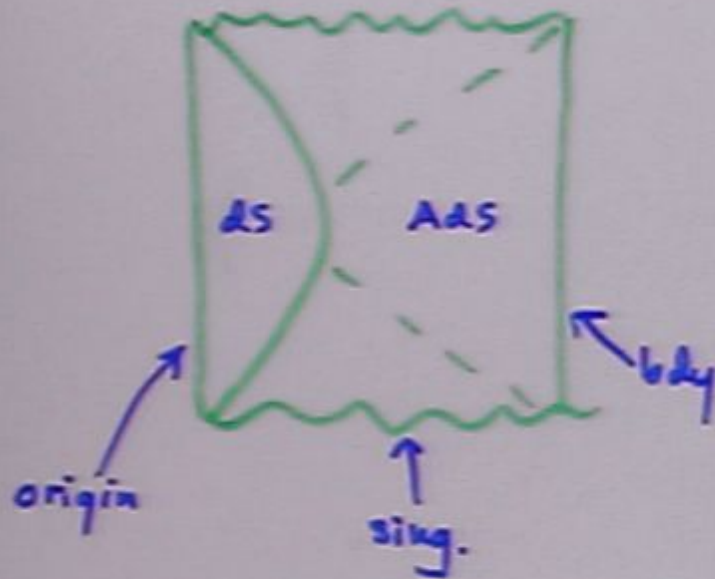


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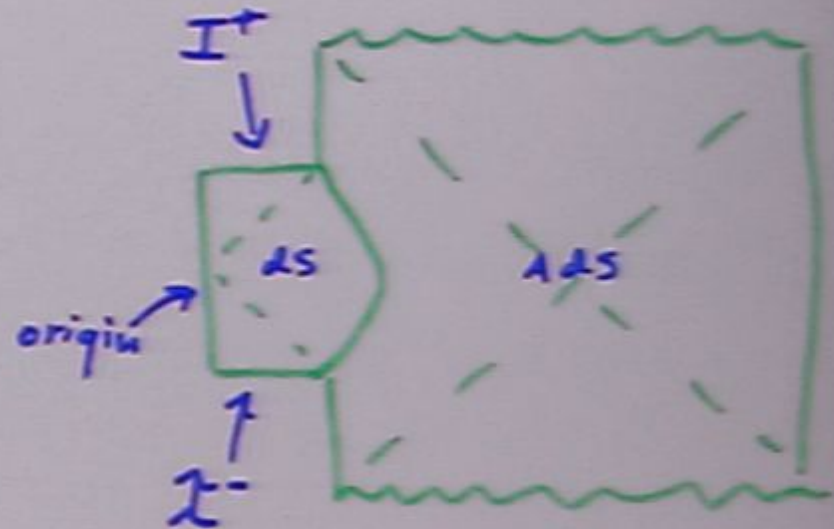
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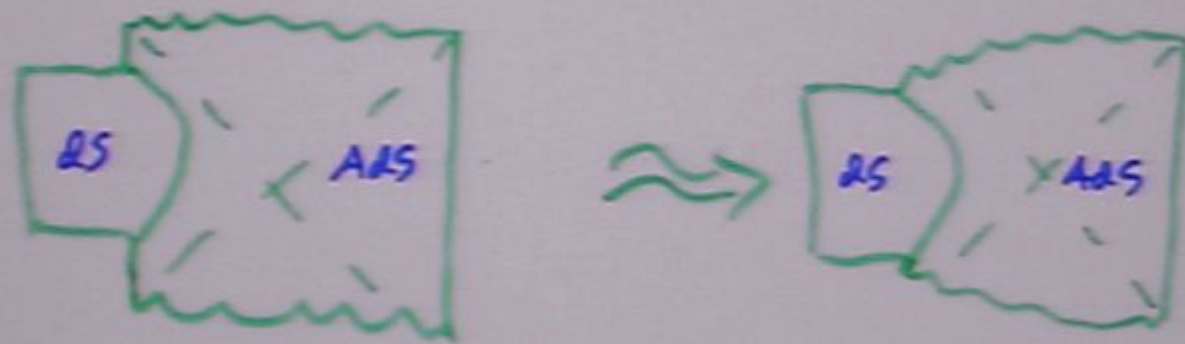
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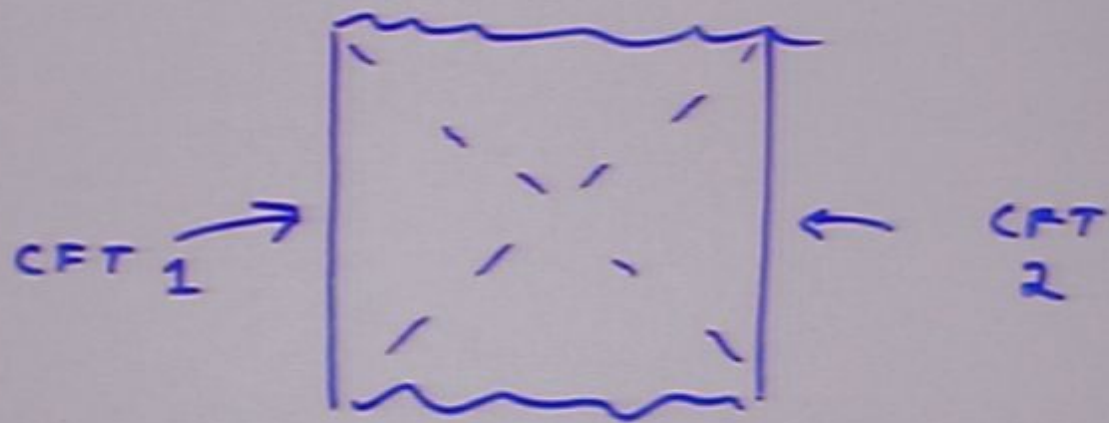
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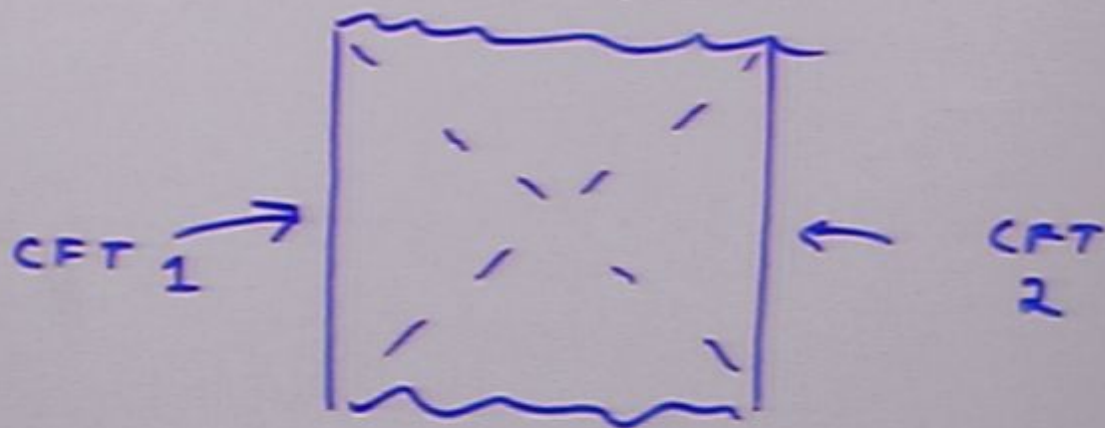
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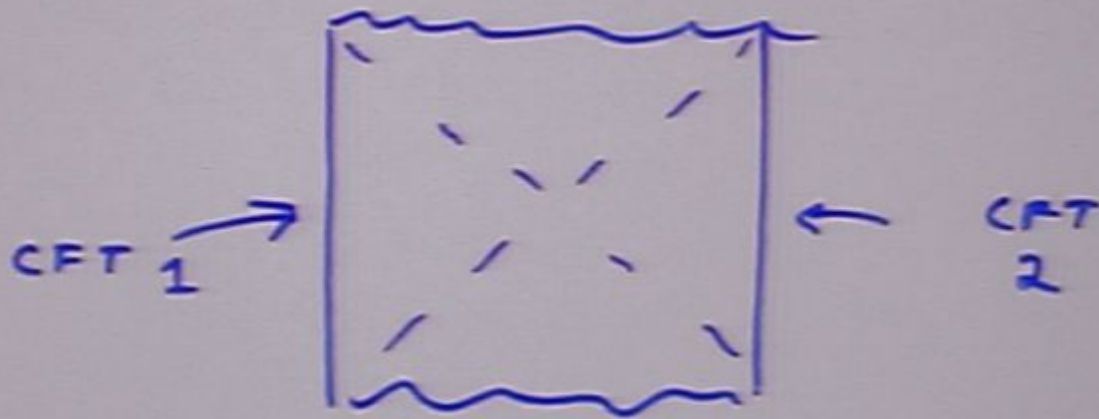
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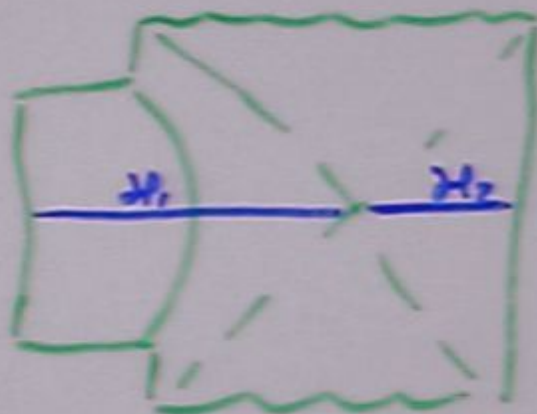
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Claim: Bdy CFT of inflating bubble is also in a mixed state

$$\rho = e^{-\beta H} + \text{corrections}$$

Evidence: 1) Bulk QFT

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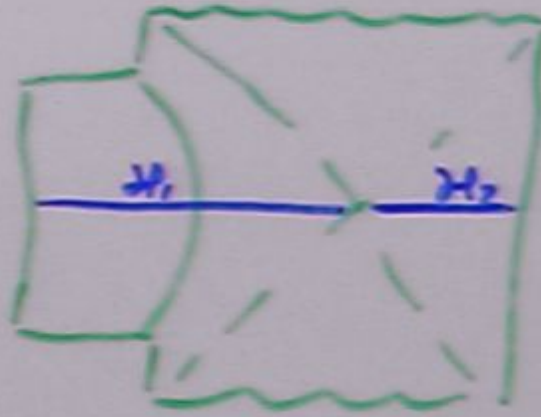


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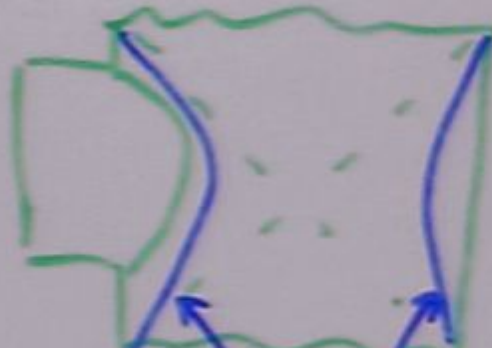
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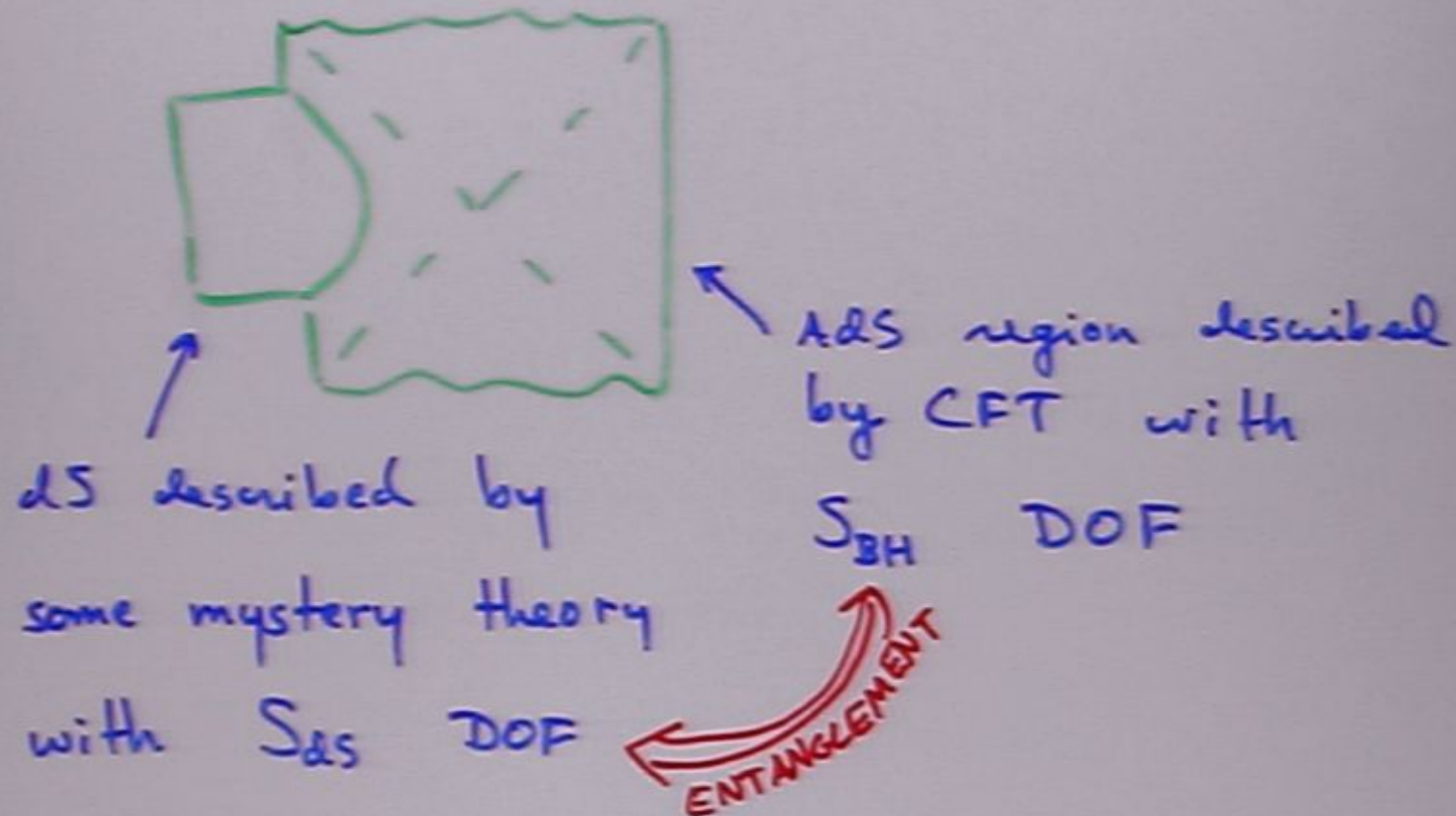


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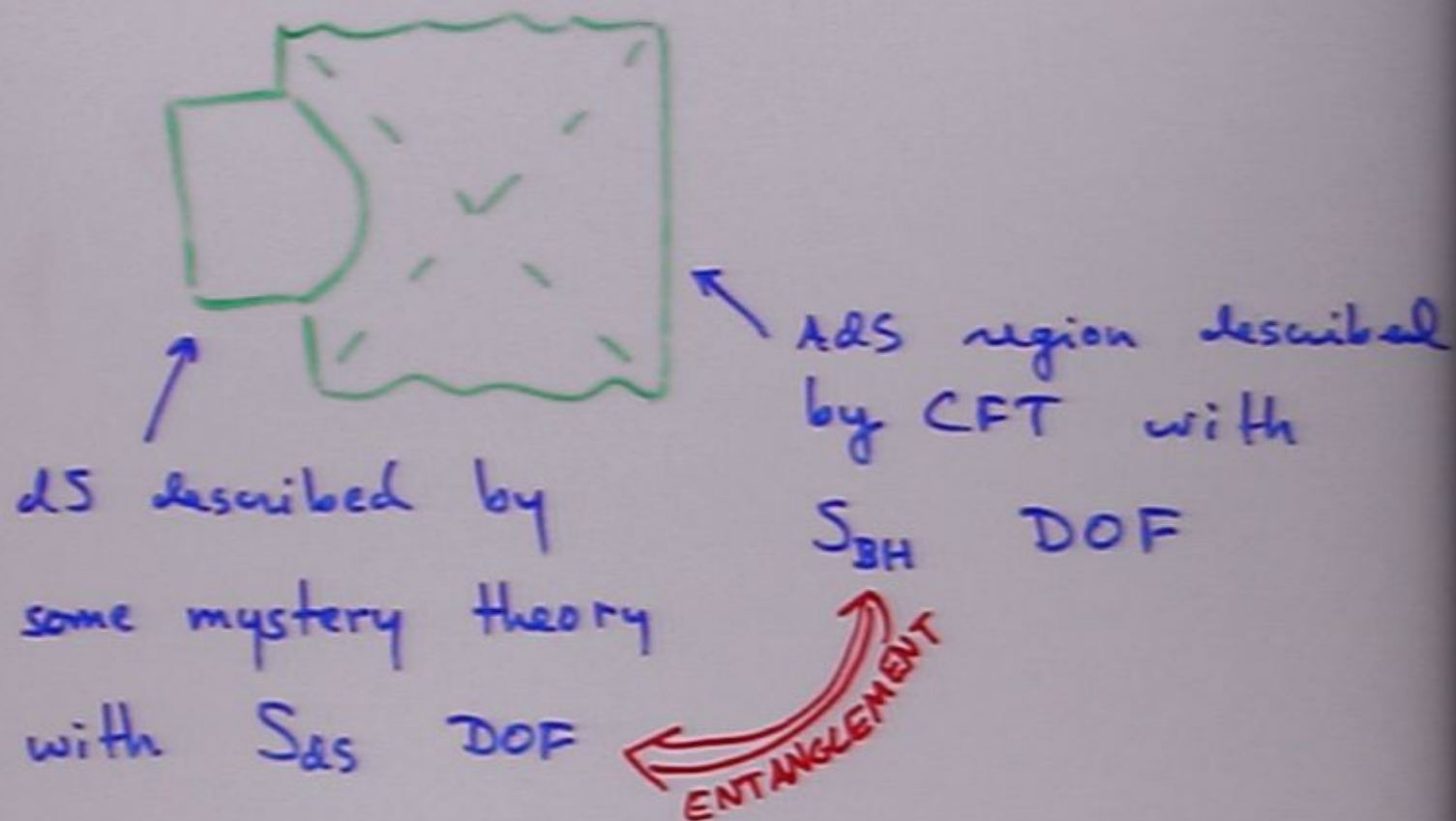


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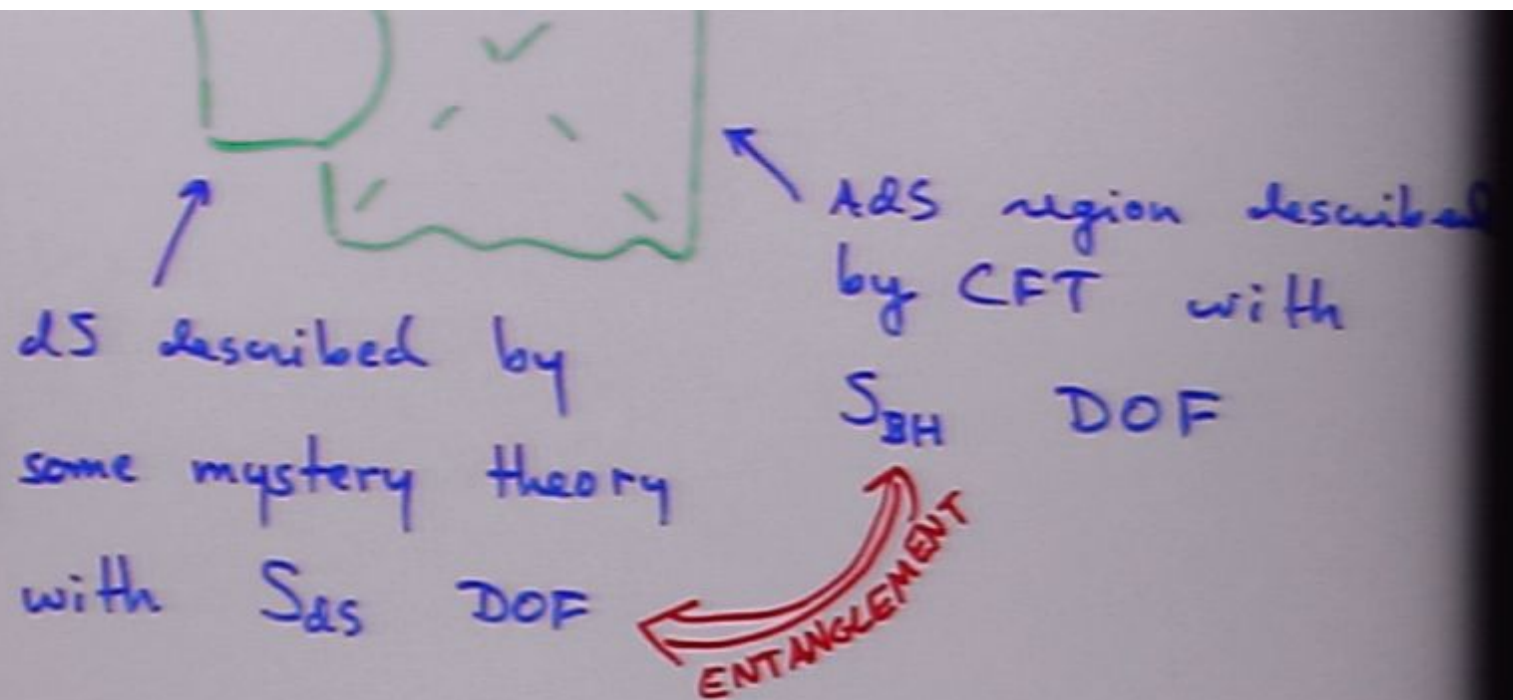
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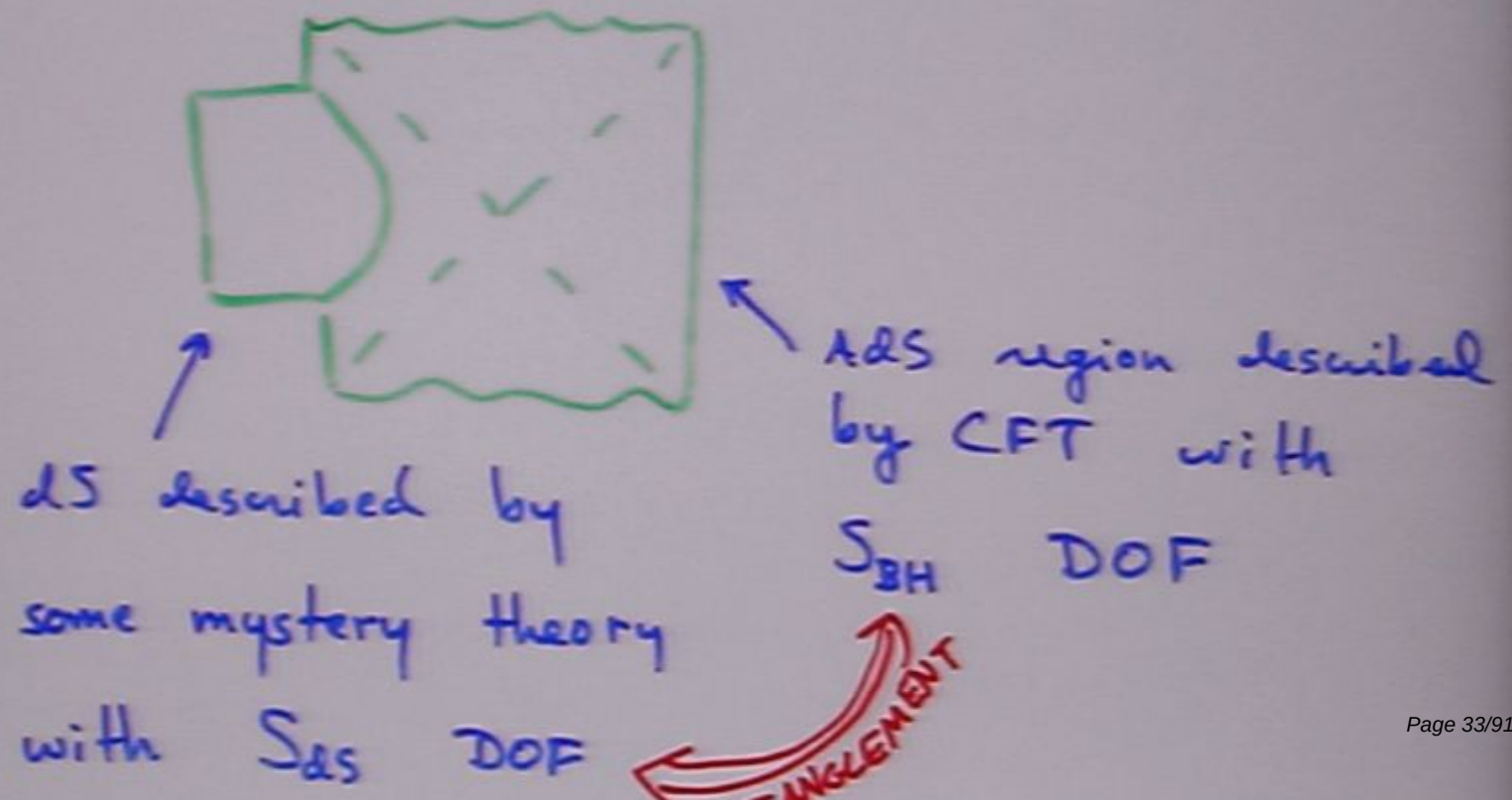
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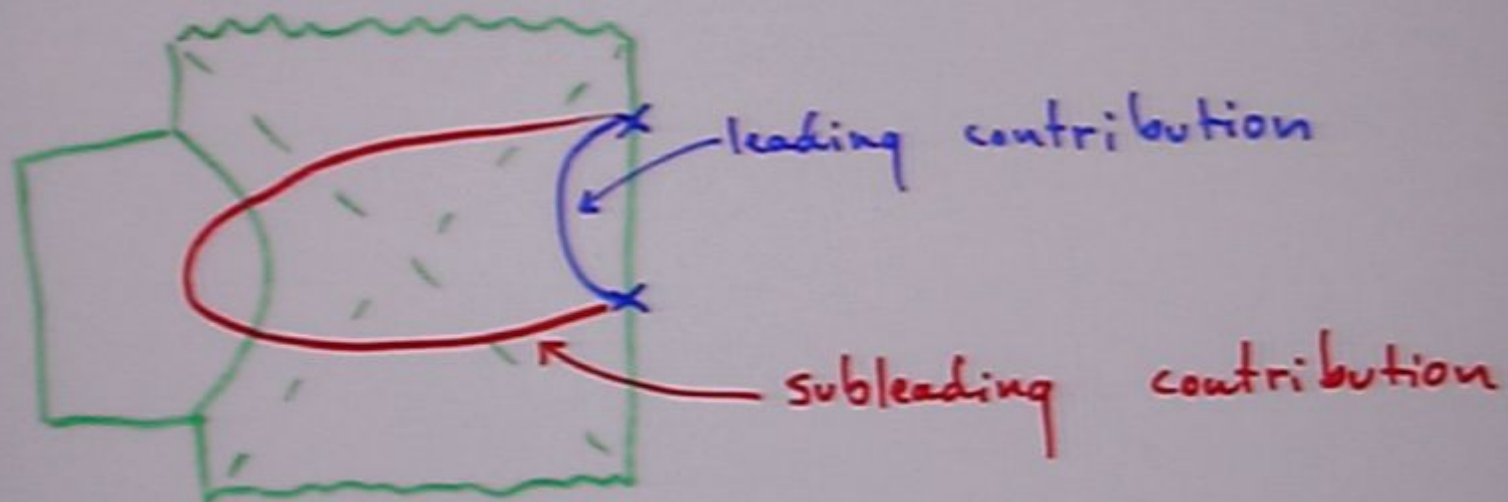


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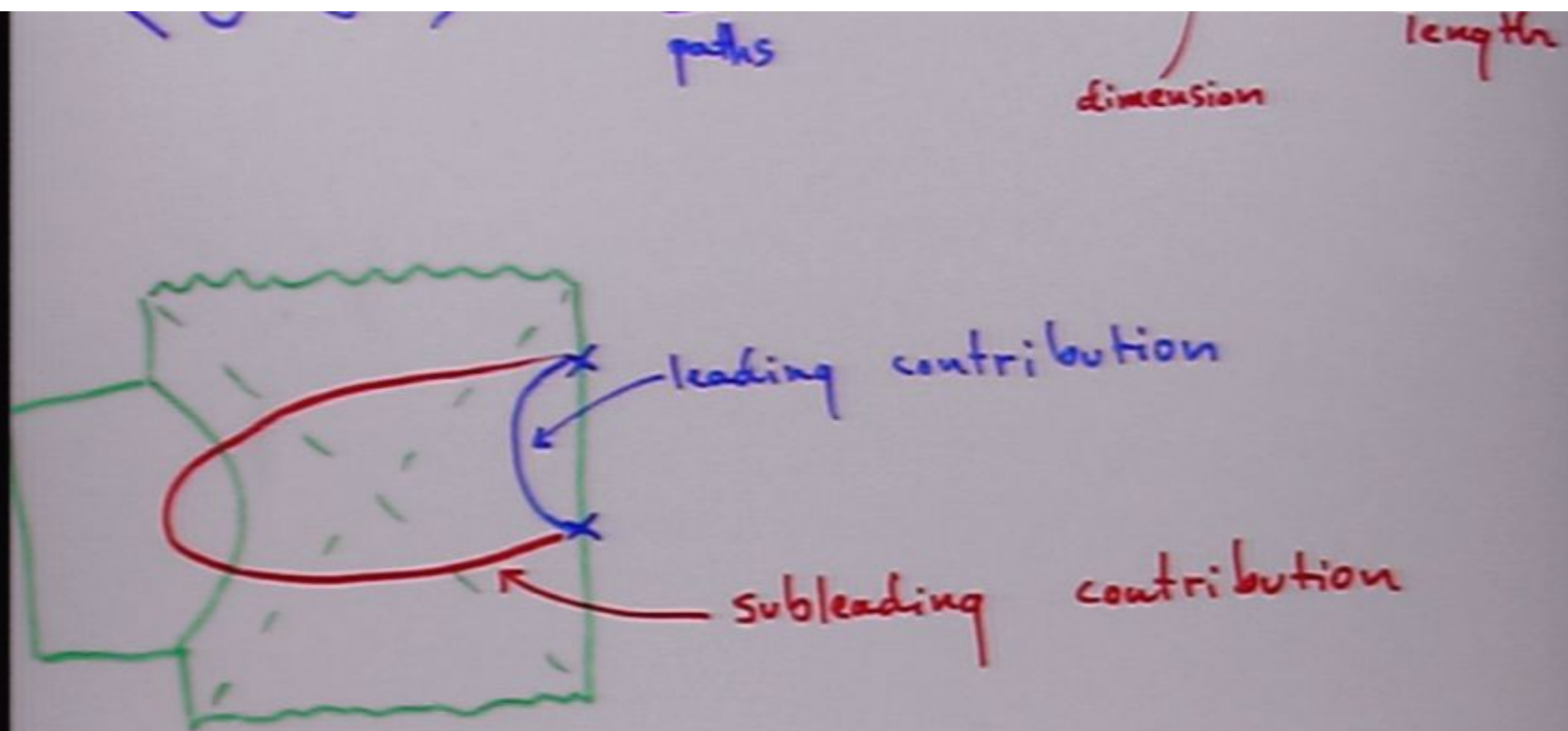
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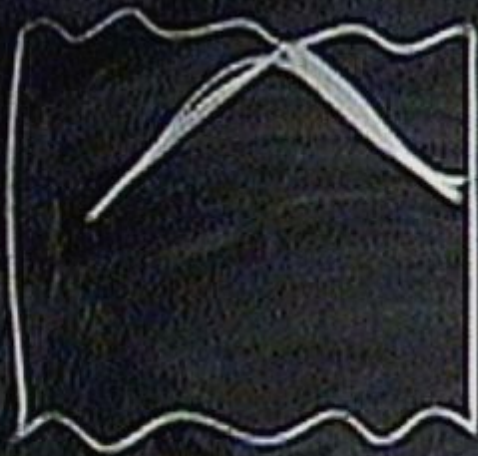
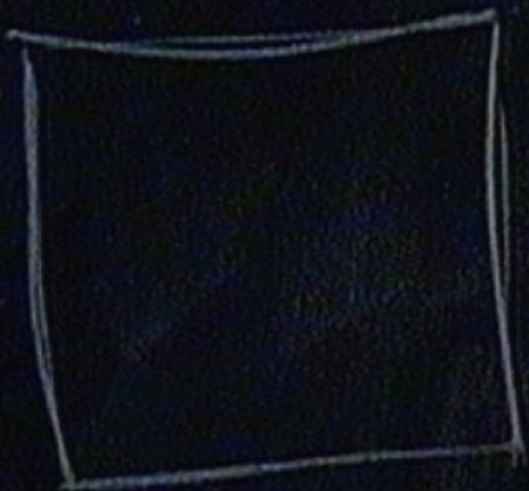
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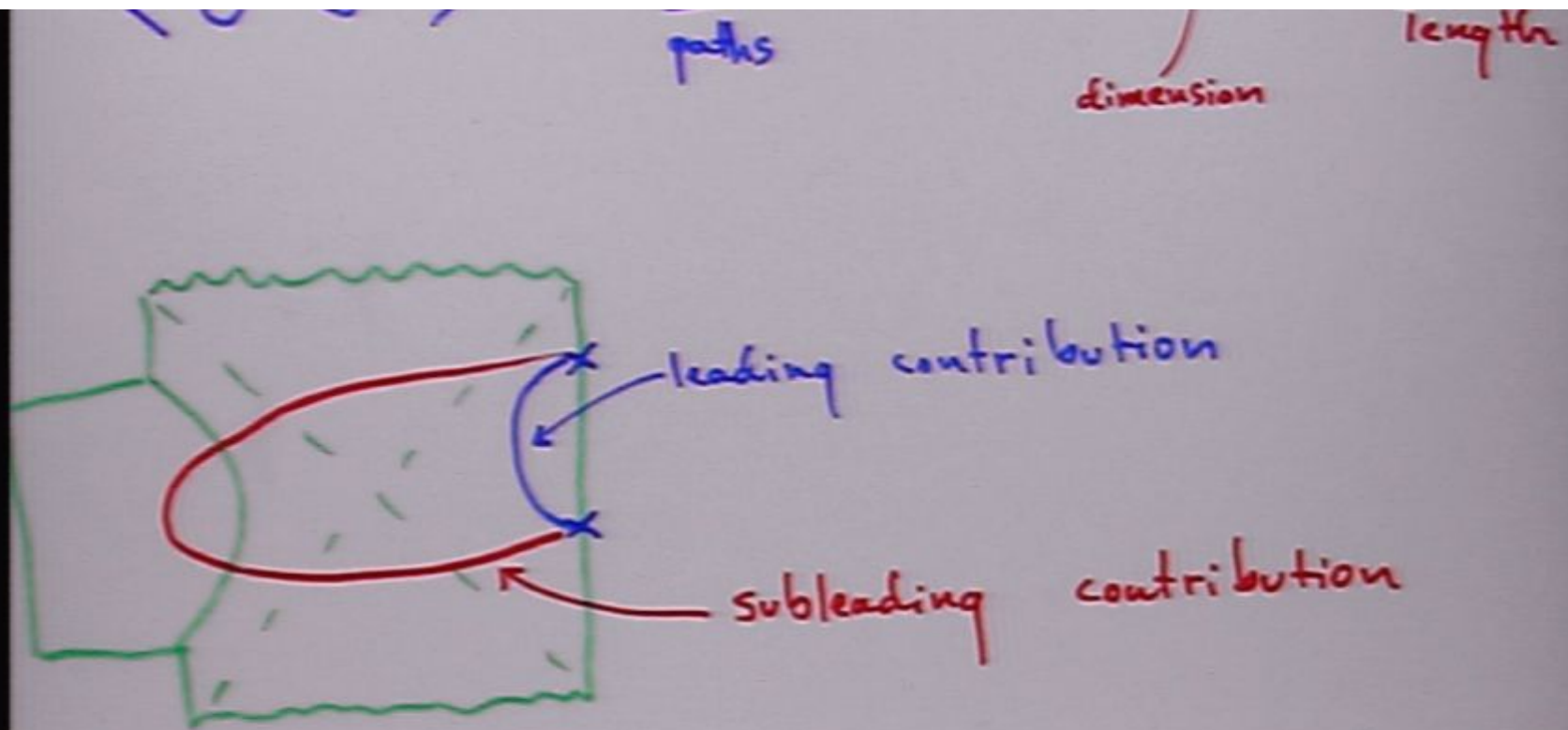


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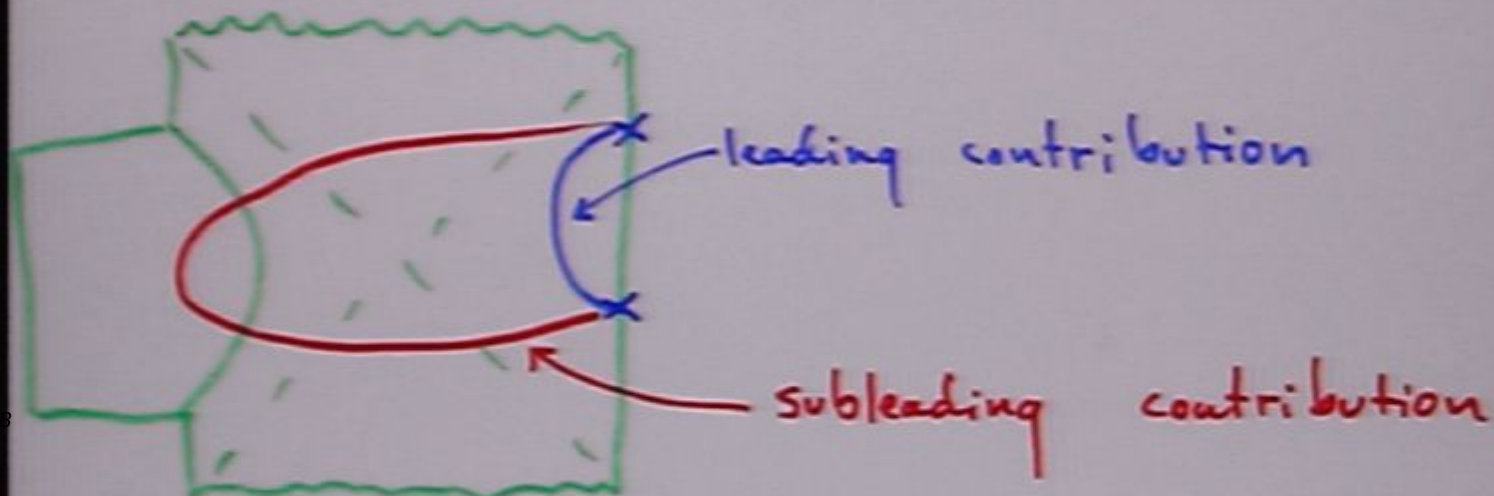
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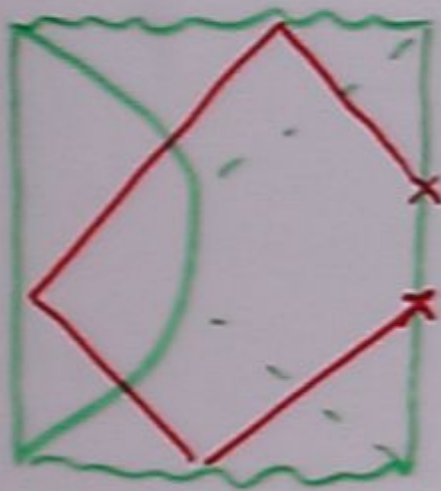
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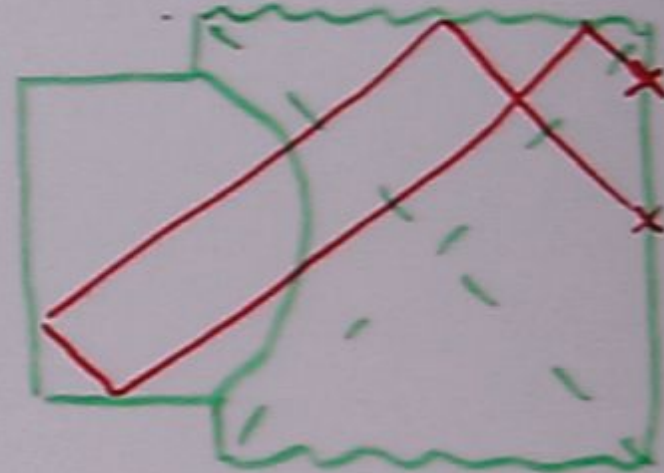


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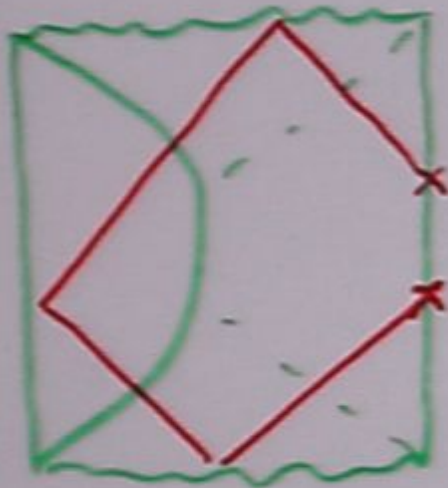


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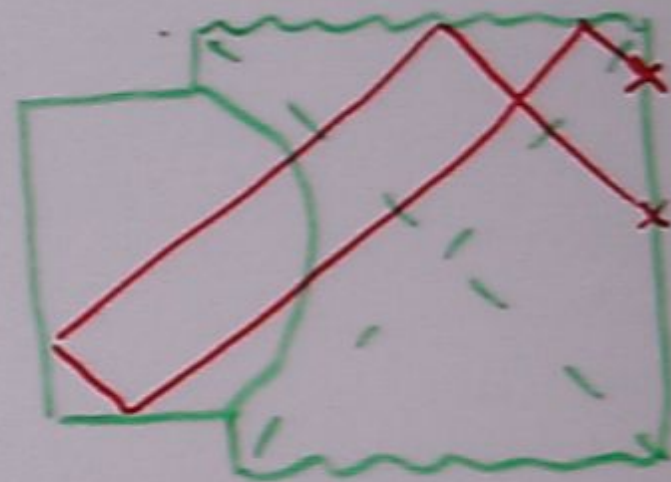
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The structure of these singularities contains information about the inflating region:

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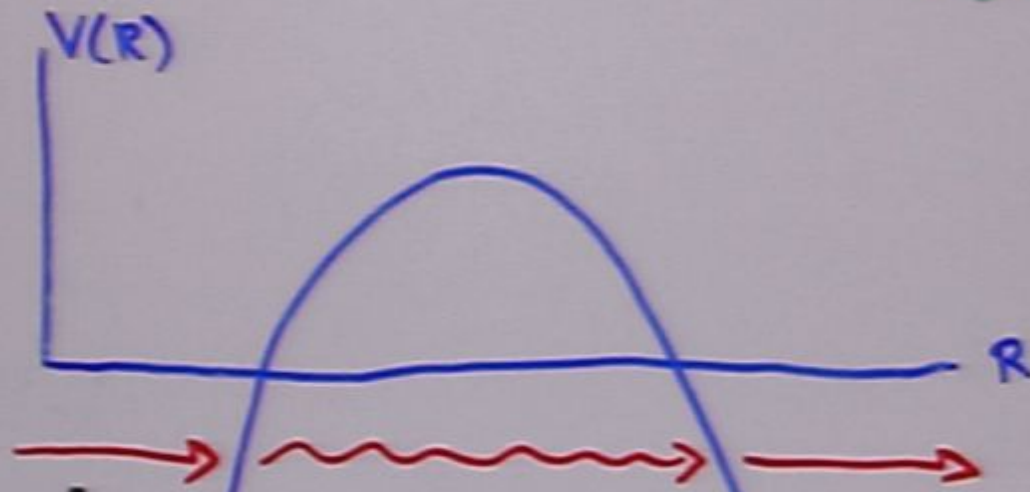
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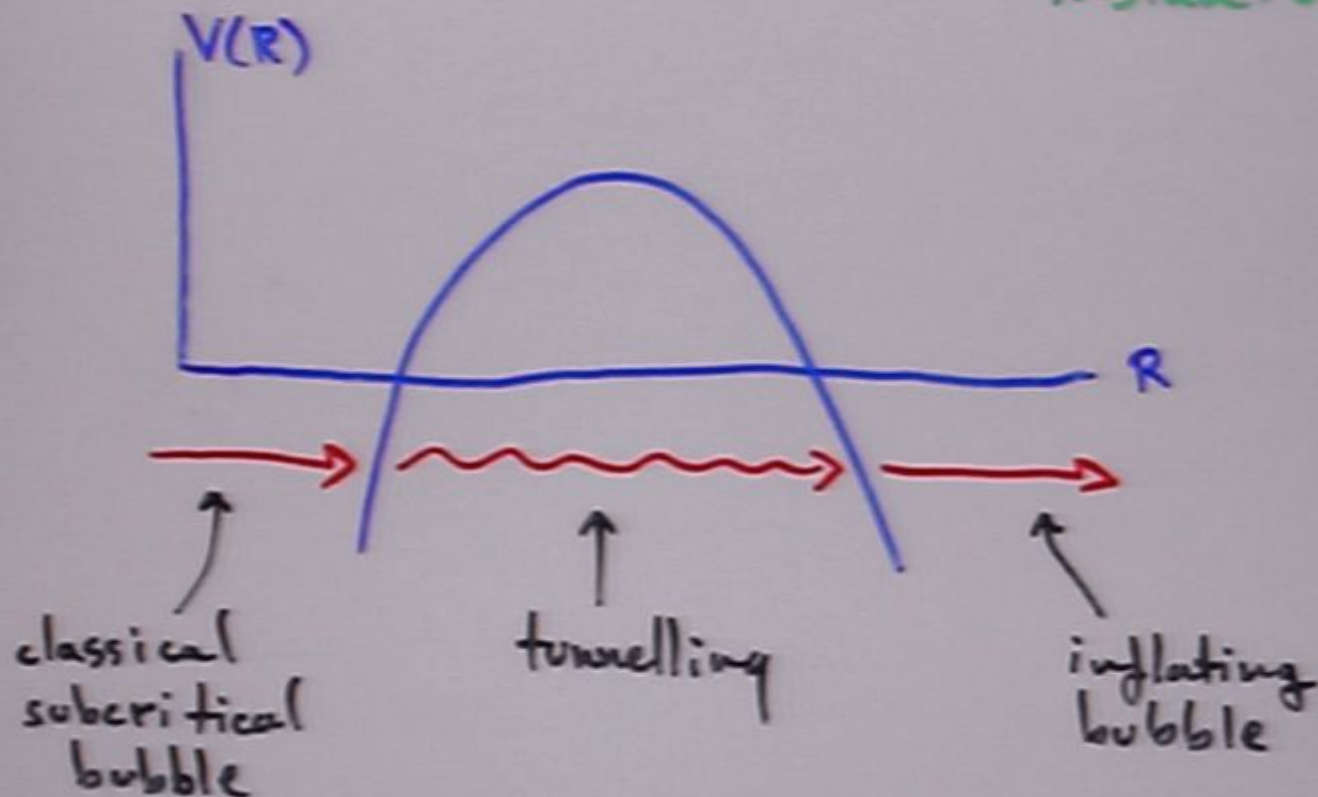
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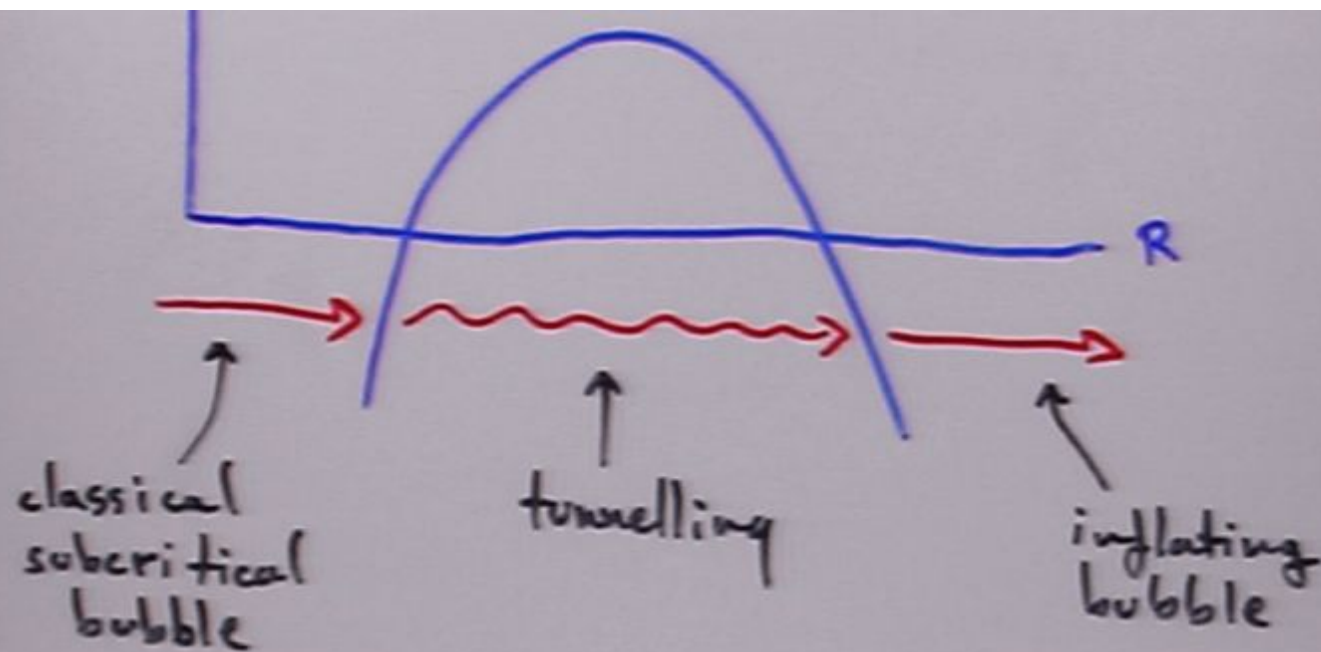


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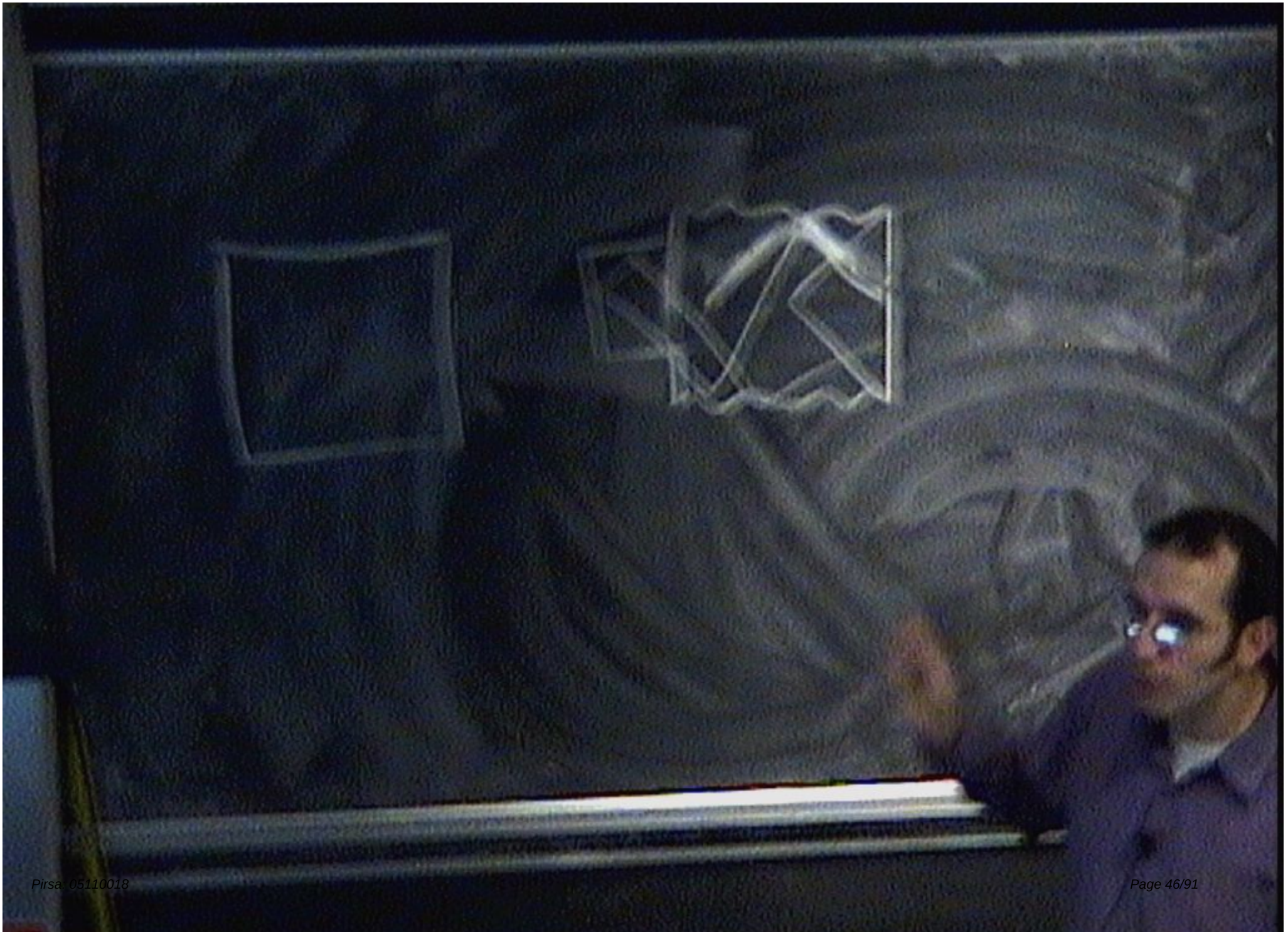
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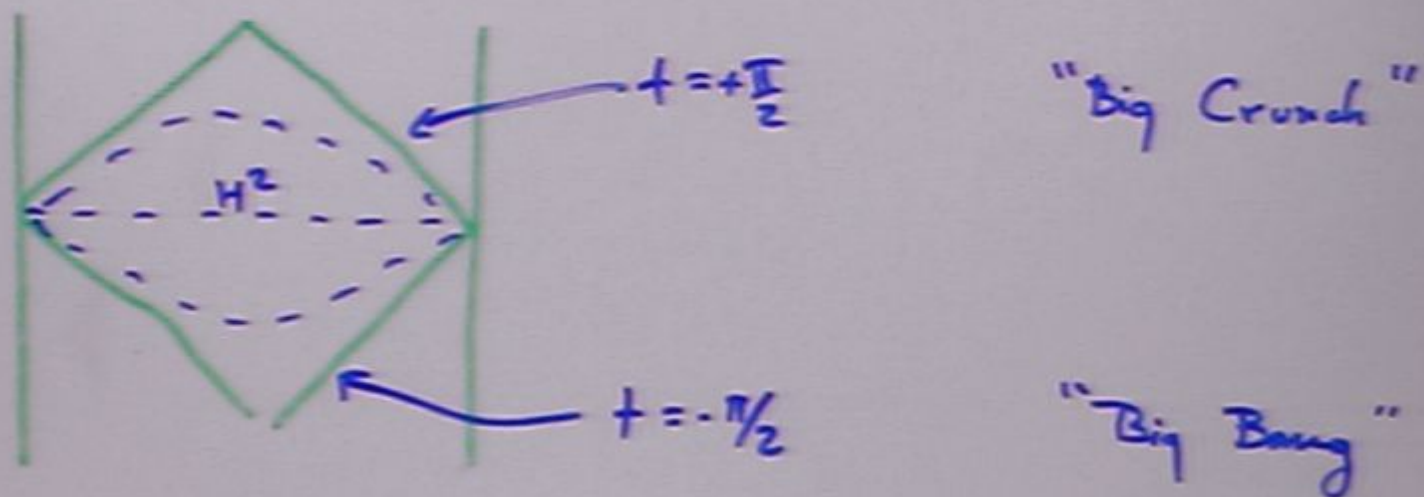


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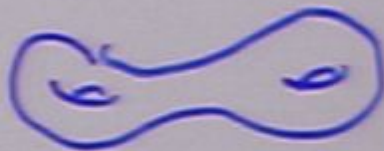
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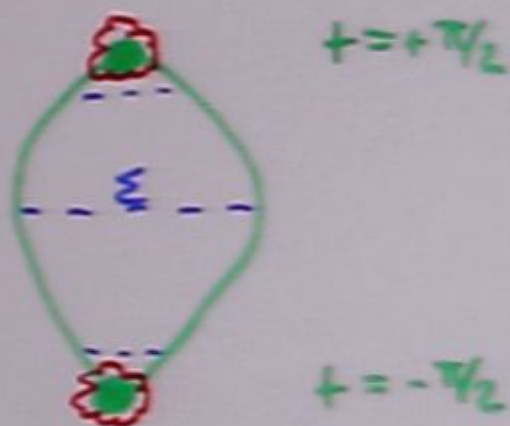
$$H_2 \rightarrow \Sigma = H_2 / \Gamma \quad \Gamma \subset SL(2, \mathbb{R})$$

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→ compact Riemann Surfaces

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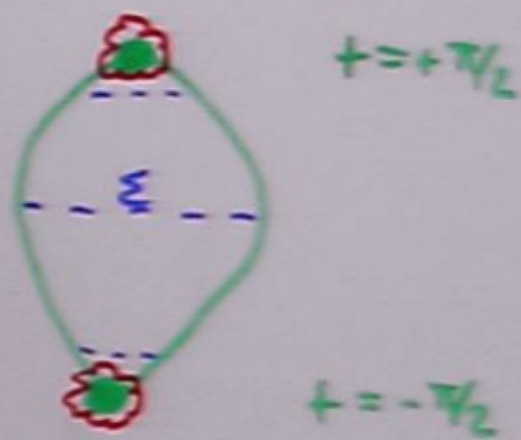
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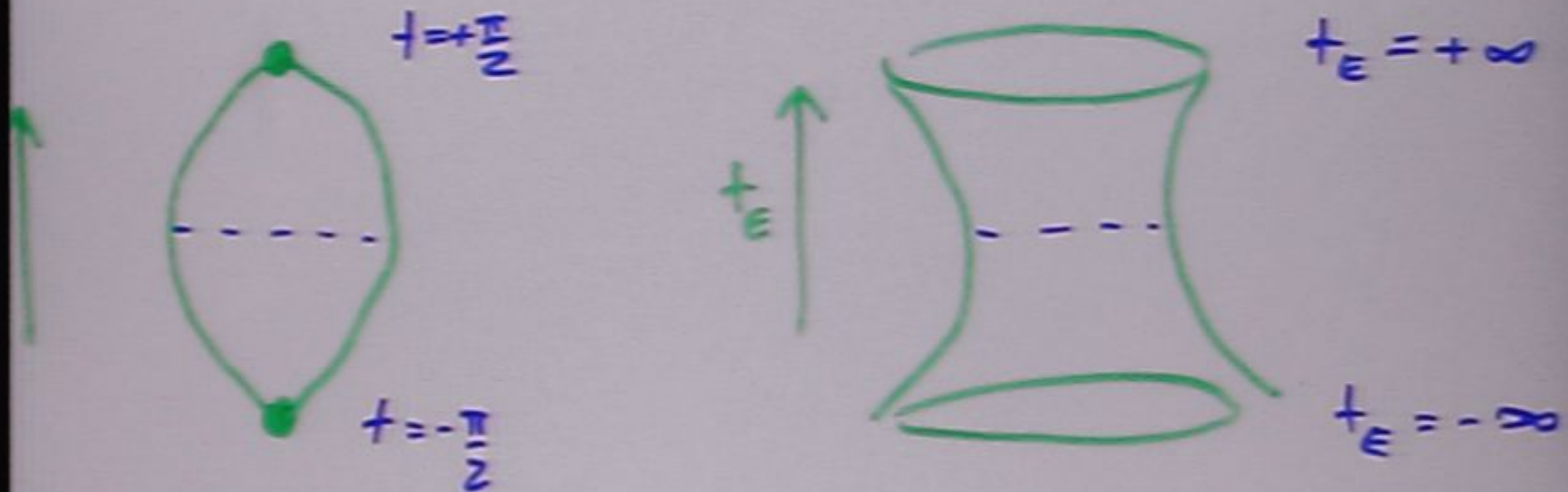
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Goal: translate Euclidean AdS/CFT Dictionary into language of cosmology.



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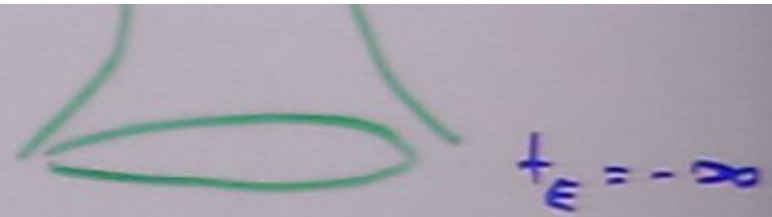
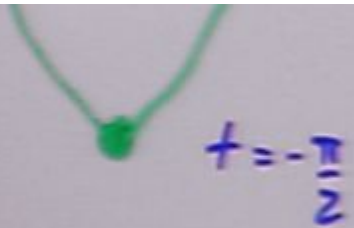
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but we can still use Euclidean CFT to
define a Bulk state ...

QFT Approx.

Scalar ϕ in fixed background ...

The state $|E\rangle$ is defined by a choice of mode decomposition:

$$\phi = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} a_{\mathbf{k}} \phi_{\mathbf{k}} + \text{c.c.} \quad \Rightarrow \quad a_{\mathbf{k}} |E\rangle = 0$$

How to choose basis of modes $\phi_{\mathbf{k}}$?

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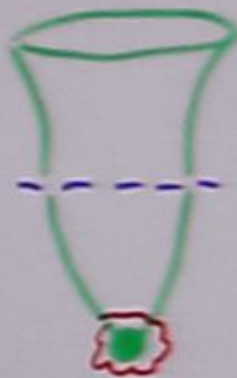
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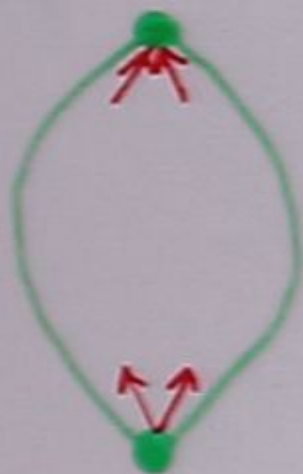
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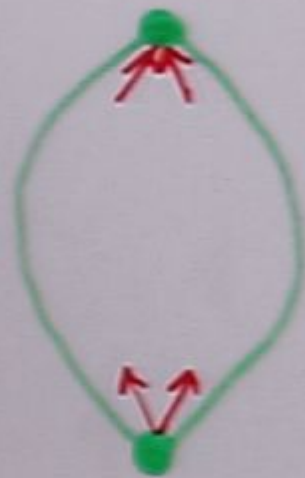


$|out\rangle =$ no particles entering B.C.

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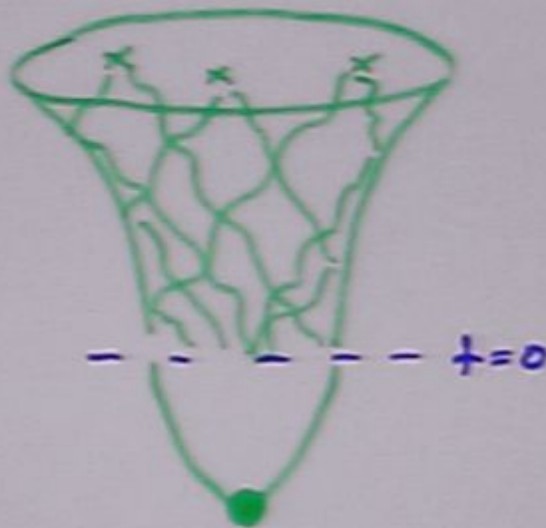
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Higher States

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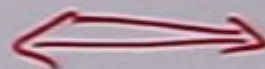


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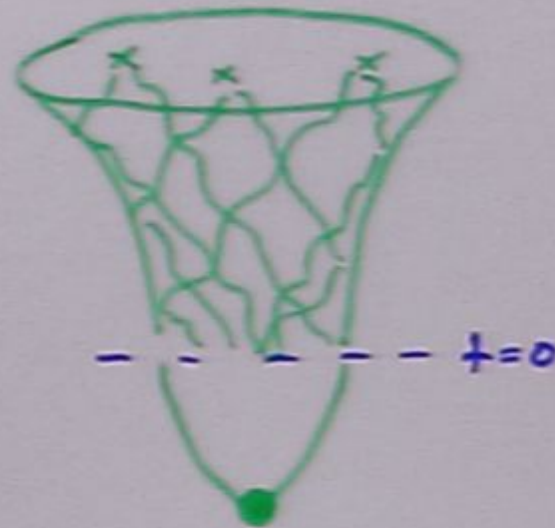
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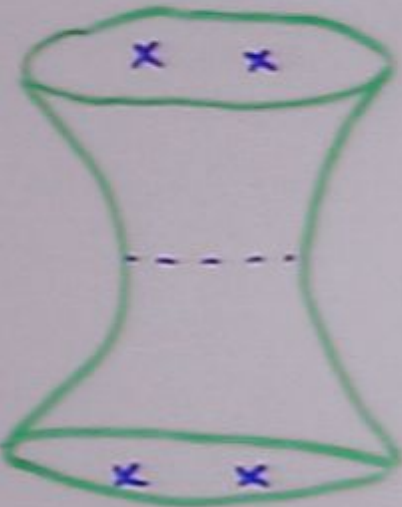
$\rightarrow$ c.f. Witten's QG on dS

Moral: Here Γ destroyed lorentzian conformal
group, but Euclidean group is still useful

$\rightarrow$ toy model of dS

So ECFT operators define a Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}$ of this cosmology.

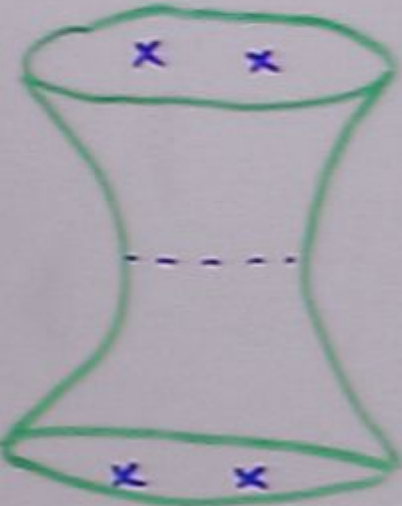
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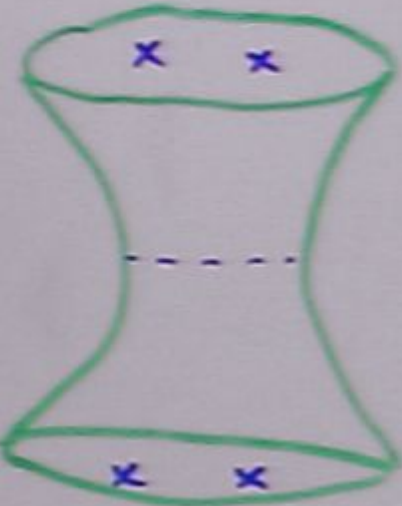
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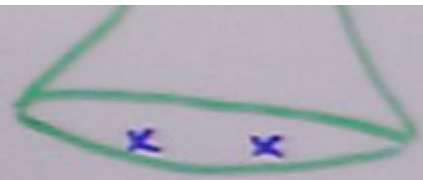
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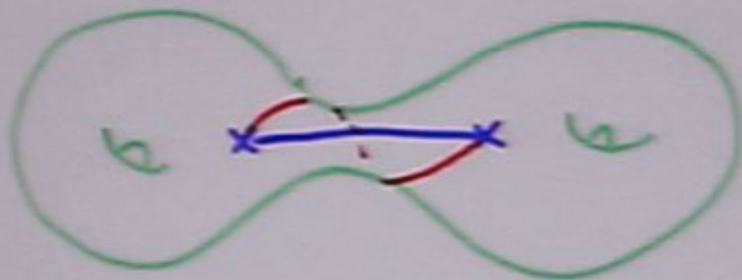
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Euclidean CFT Correlators

In the semi-classical approximation :

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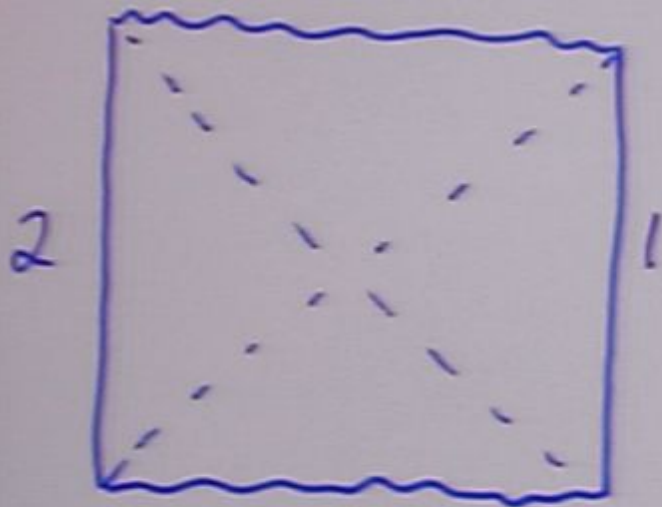
So correlators between two bodies are non-zero & related by analytic continuation

$$l \rightarrow l + \pi i$$

Geodesic Probes of B.B. Sing.

Q: How does the ECFT encode information about the B.B. Sing. ?

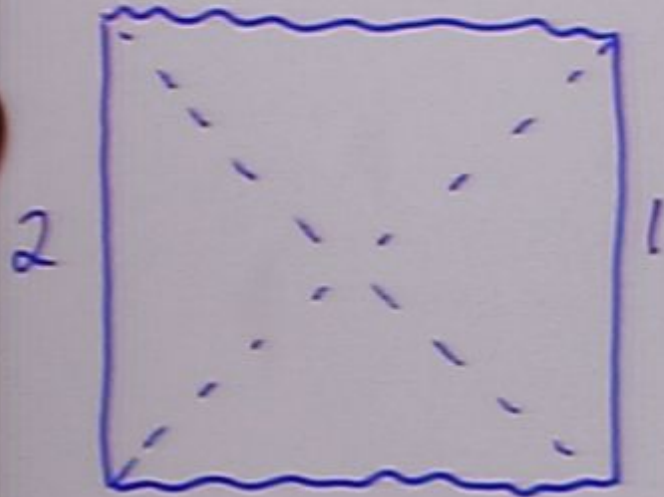
Motivation : BTZ



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CFTs don't interact, but are in an entangled

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$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{|i\rangle} e^{-\beta E_i / 2} |i_1\rangle \otimes |i_2\rangle$$

which leads to correlations between the two sides...

So the observables of the system

$$1) \quad \langle O_1, O_{a_1} \rangle = \text{Tr}_2 \langle \Psi | O_1, O_{a_1} | \Psi \rangle$$

$\sim$ thermal correlators

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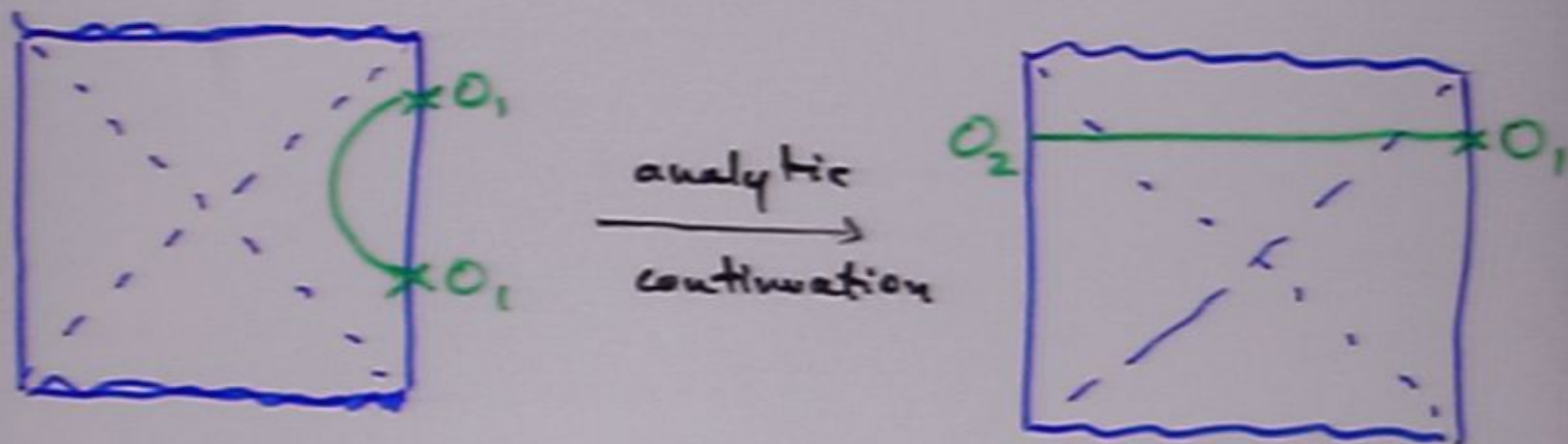
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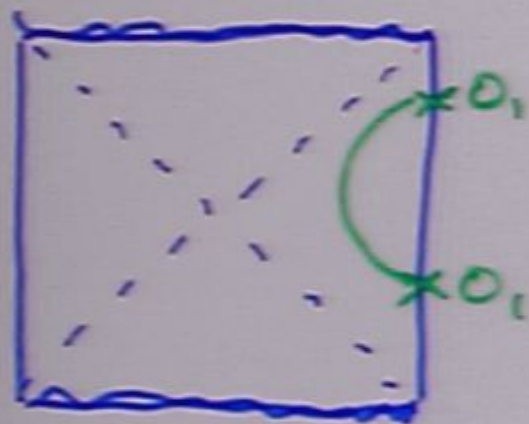
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$$\langle O O' \rangle \sim e^{-\Delta \mathcal{L}}$$

dimension ← geodesic length in bulk

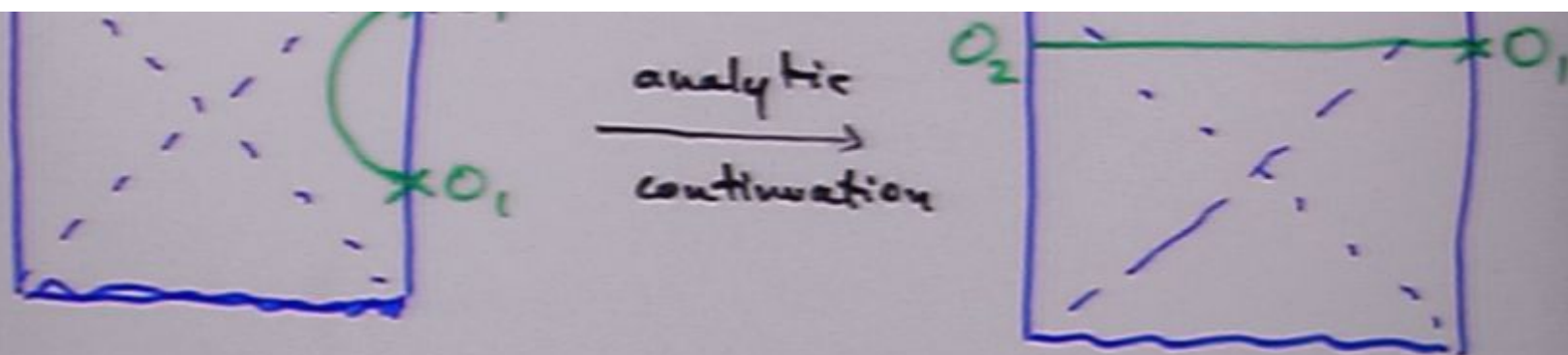


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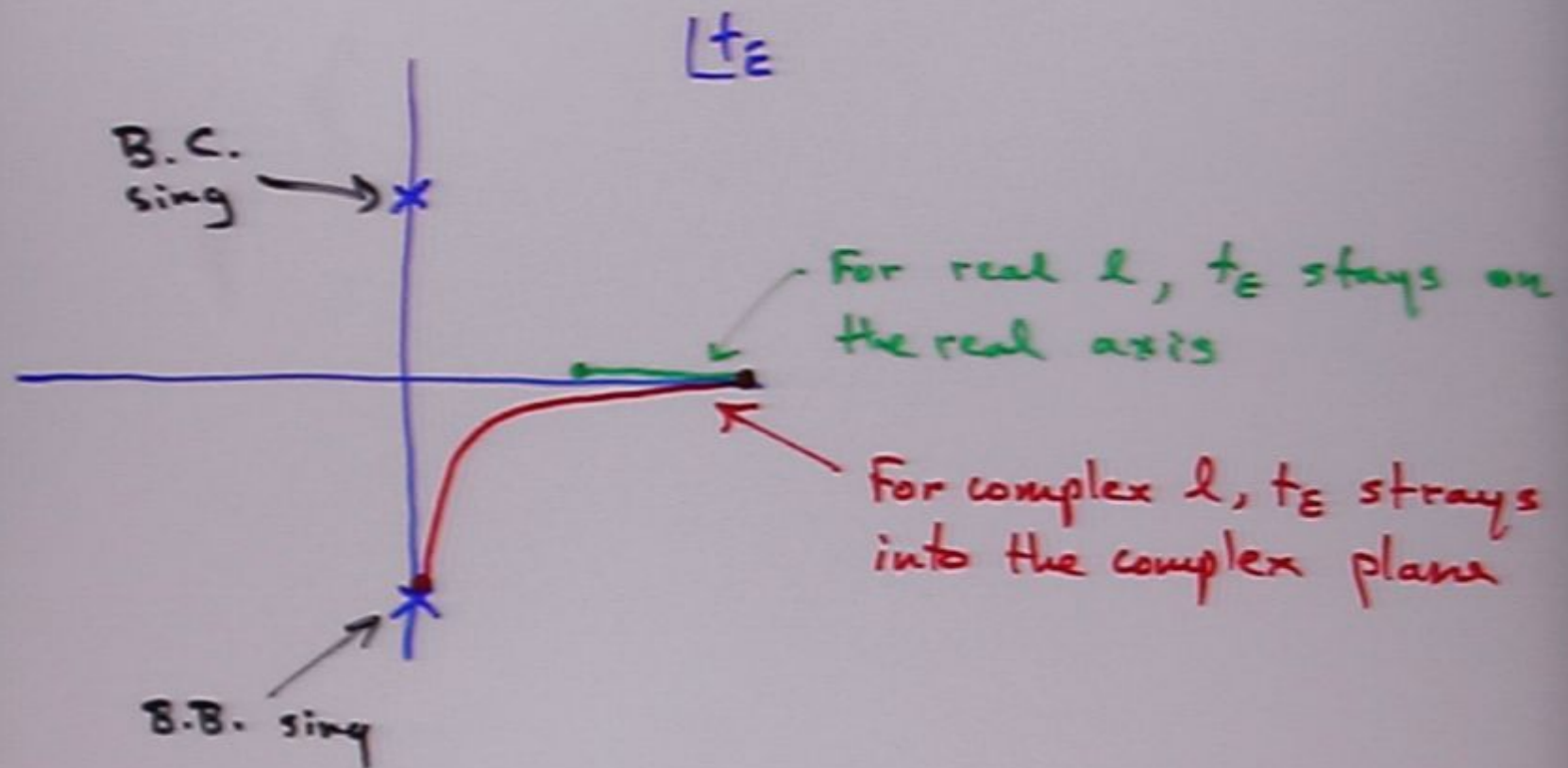
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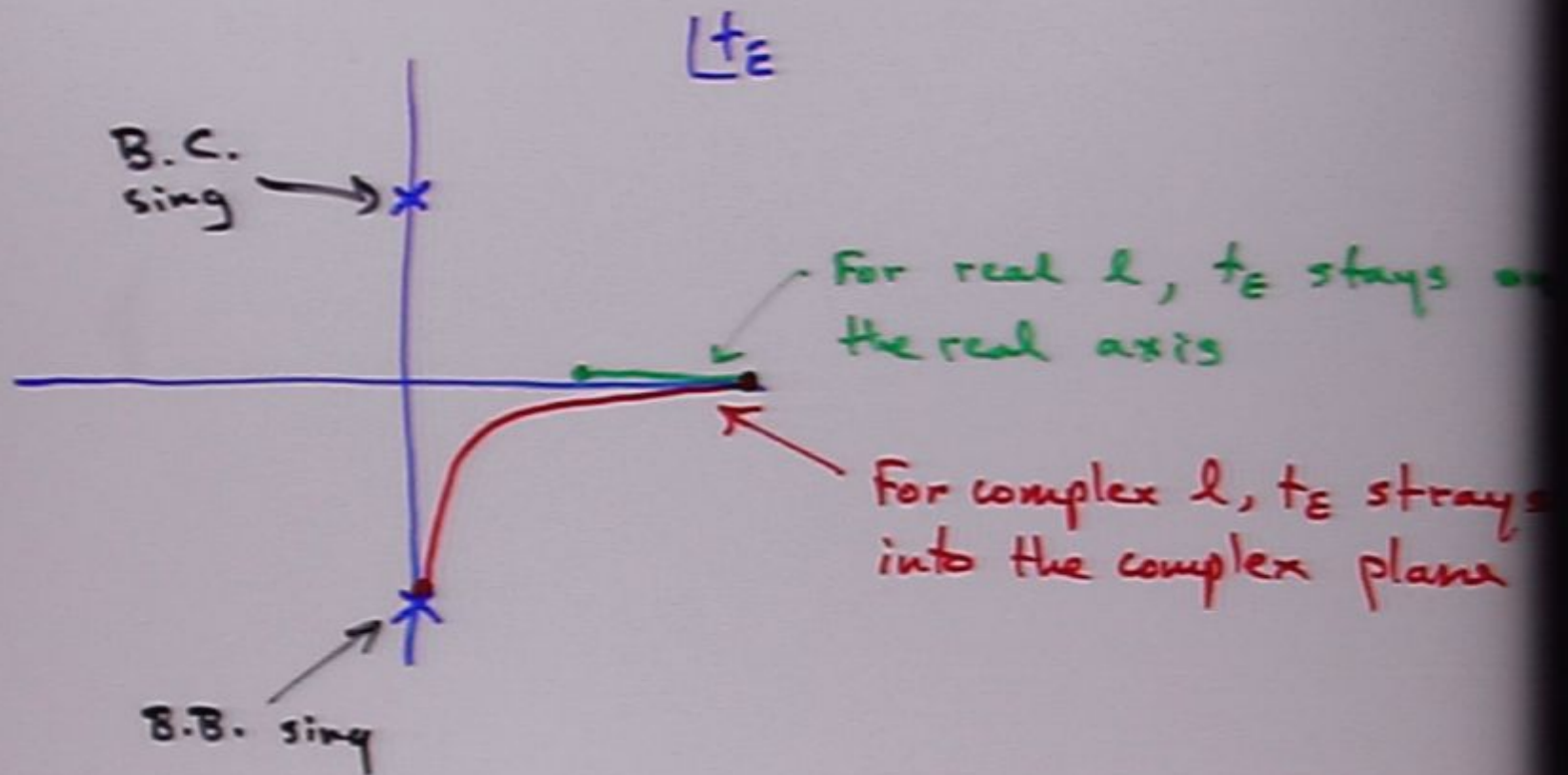
$\Rightarrow$ calculate geodesic profile $t_E(l)$

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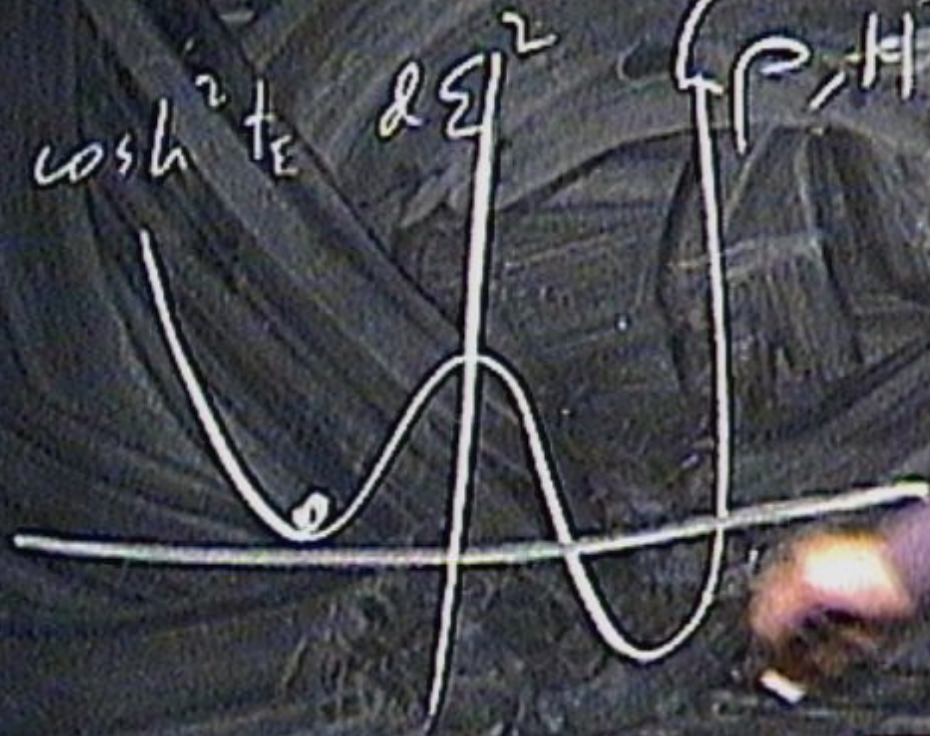
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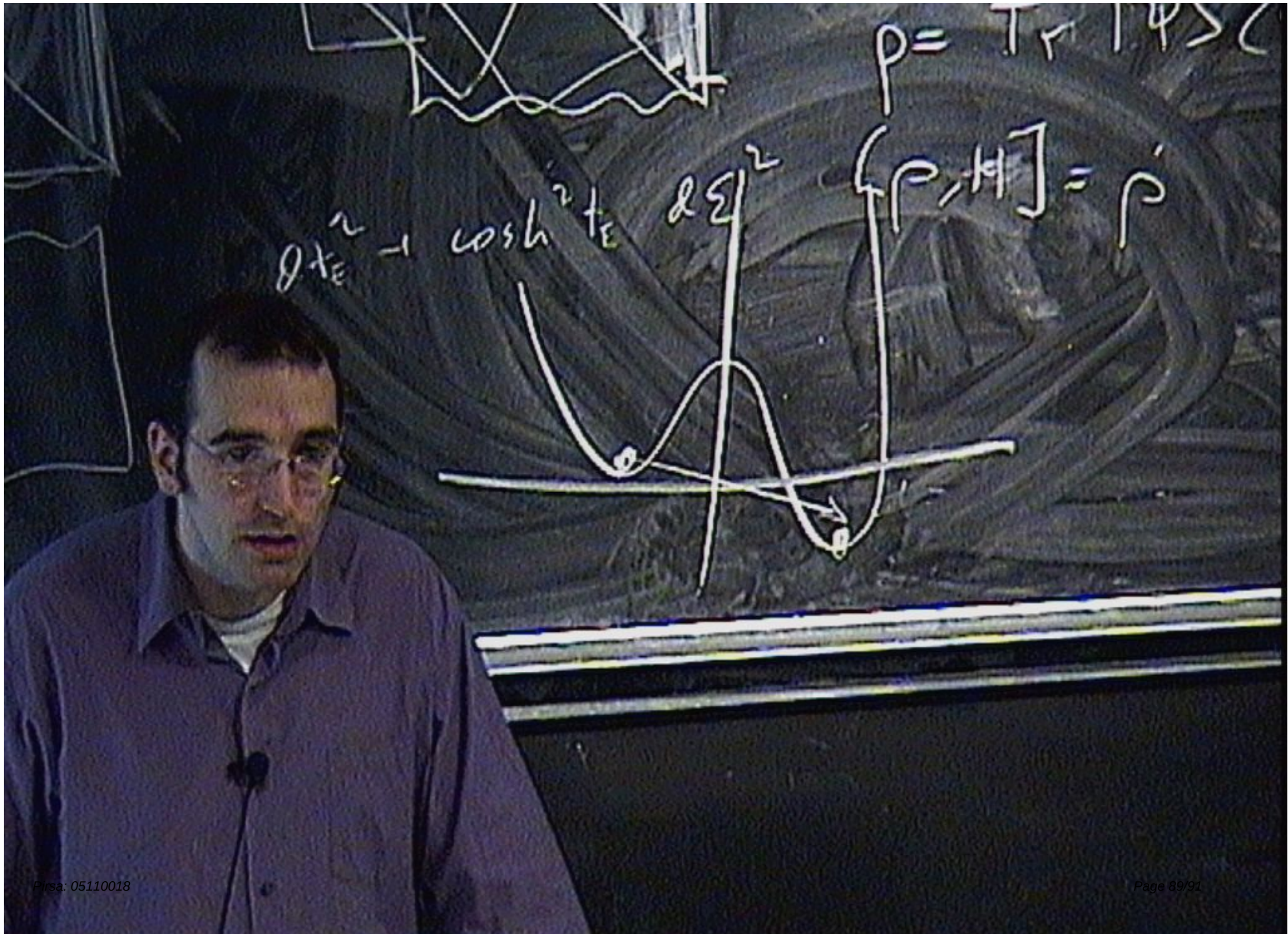
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$$\rho = T r \, 143 C$$

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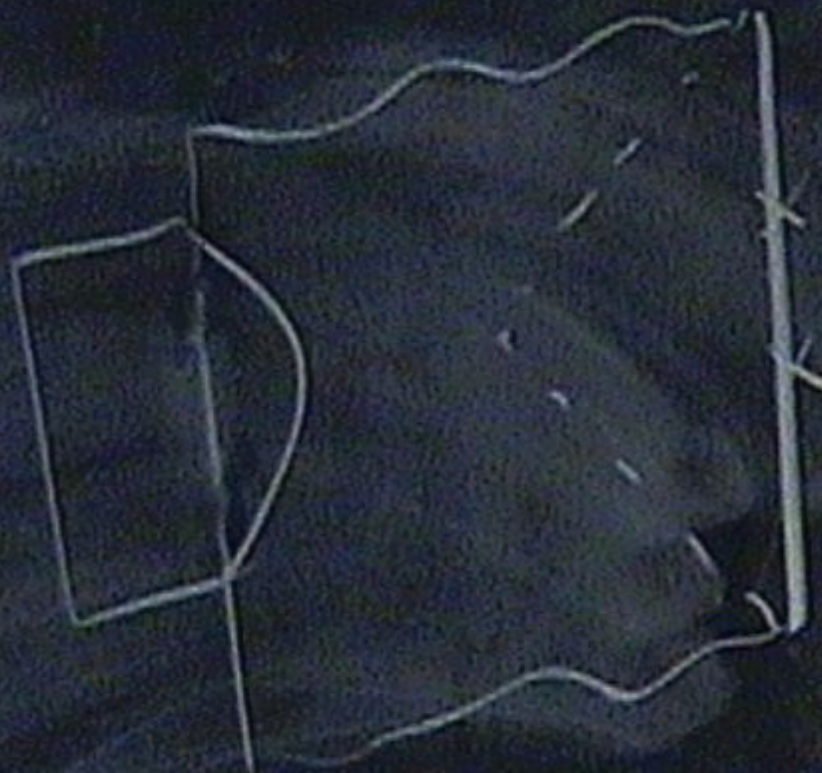
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