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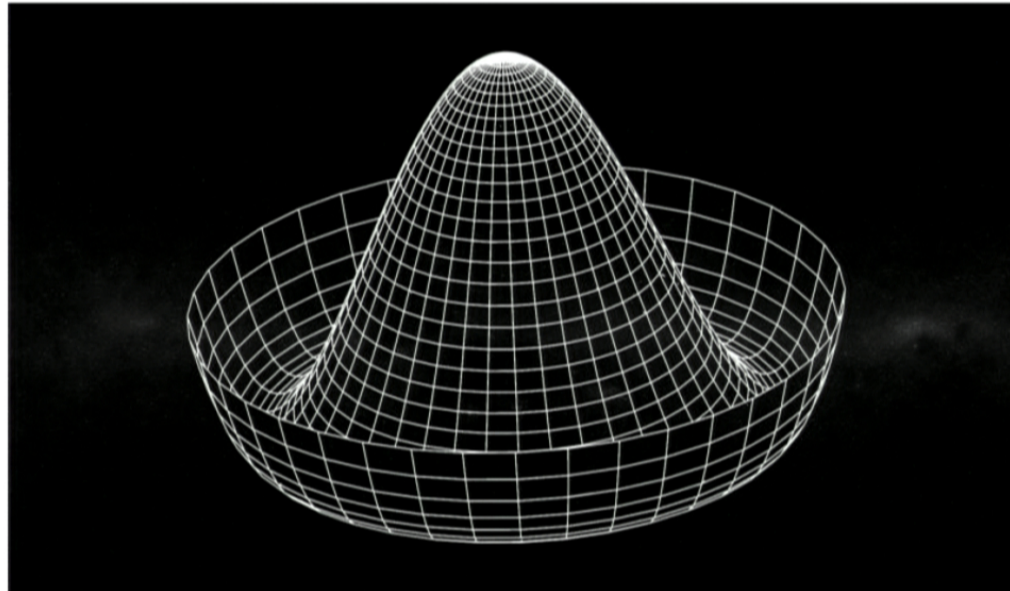


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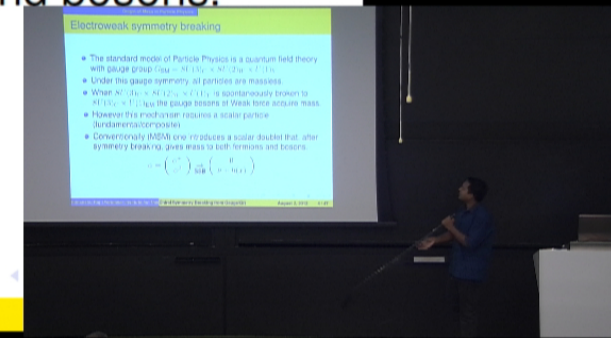




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- However this mechanism requires a scalar particle (fundamental/composite)
- Conventionally (MSM) one introduces a scalar doublet that, after symmetry breaking, gives mass to both fermions and bosons.

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This is called **chiral symmetry** of the QCD Lagrangian.



## Massless Fermions $\implies$ Chiral symmetry

- Let us introduce a fermion mass term into the Lagrangian.

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass},f} = -m\bar{q}q$$

can be chirally decomposed:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass},f} = -m(\bar{q}_L q_R + \bar{q}_R q_L)$$

- The original  $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$  chiral symmetry of the massless theory has now broken to a residual  $SU(2)_V$  vectorial symmetry.
- The vector current is still conserved but the axial-vector current is not, thereby spoiling the chiral symmetry.
- Infact its divergence is proportional to the Dirac mass.

Hence presence of massive fermions explicitly breaks chiral symmetry.

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### Induced Electroweak Symmetry Breaking:

EWSB induced via dynamical chiral symmetry breaking of a new set of strong interactions!



# Technicolor

- Introduce a new strongly interacting  $SU(N_{TC})$  gauge theory acting on new degrees of freedom (techni-fermion) transforming in the fundamental representation of this new gauge symmetry.
- These new *techniquarks* carry an  $SU(N_{TC})_L \times SU(N_{TC})_R$  global symmetry the analog of the (approximate) chiral symmetry of the light quarks in QCD.
- Just as in QCD, the low-energy ( $\sim$ EW scale) strong dynamics of this new gauge theory is expected to cause chiral symmetry breaking. (Non-perturbative VEV for the chiral condensates)
- If the left-handed techniquarks form an  $SU(2)_W$  doublet, while the right-handed techniquarks are weak singlets carrying hypercharge, technicolor chiral symmetry breaking will result in electroweak symmetry breaking.

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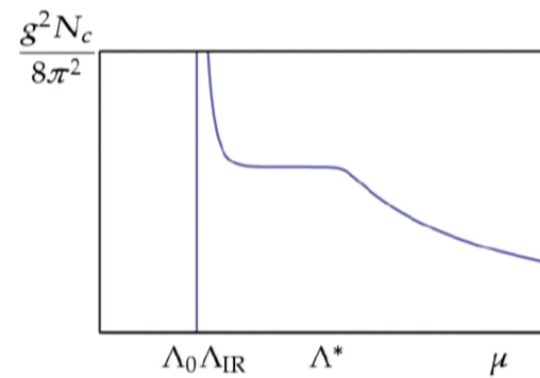
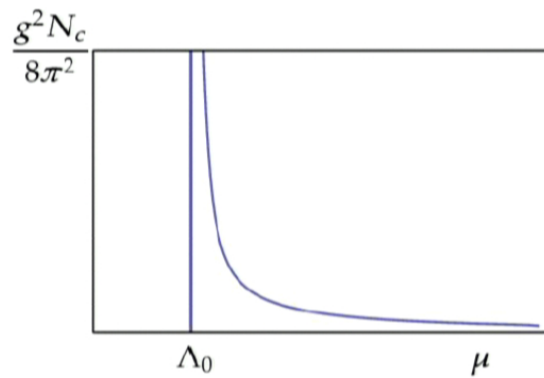
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- The Gauge coupling is strong implies that the conventional tools of perturbative QFT break down!





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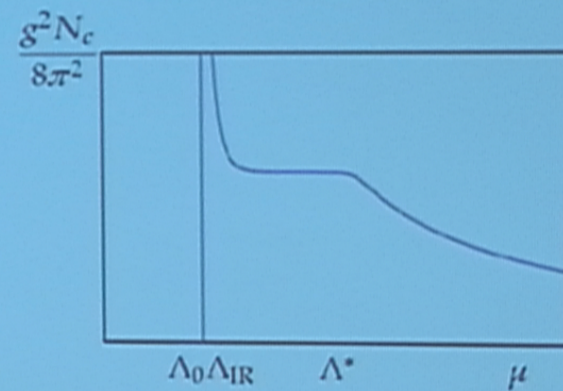
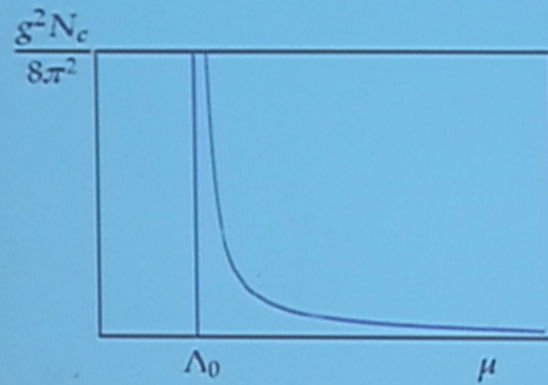
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- $\alpha$  the fine structure
- $m_Z$  mass of the Z-boson
- $G_F$  fermi coupling

However if we consider leading order corrections to EW theory beyond tree level we find that 3 more parameters become important.

S, T, U (oblique parameters) [Peskin-Takeuchi (1992)]



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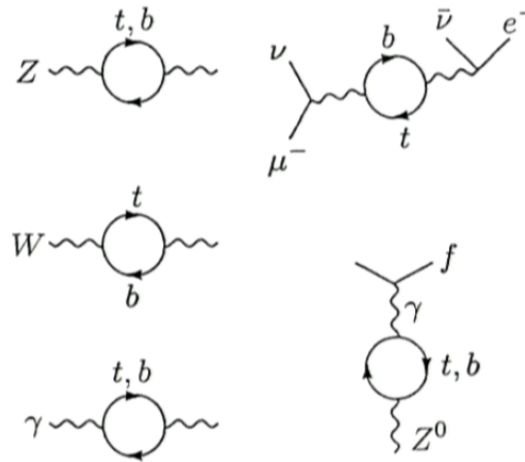


Figure: Vacuum polarization

At low energies heavy quarks do not appear in the final state. However they do contribute to vacuum polarization amplitudes via internal loops that might contain new strongly coupled degrees of freedom.

## Introduction to Gauge/Gravity duality

It is an important theoretical tool to solve models of strong coupling dynamics. Originally discovered in the context of AdS/CFT,

AdS/CFT correspondence:

$\mathcal{N} = 4$ ,  $SU(N_C)$  superconformal YM in  $4D$  is dual to Type IIB Superstring theory in an  $AdS_5 \times S^5$  background

this powerful computational tool finds application in

- Quark/Gluon Plasma
- Hydrodynamics
- High  $T_c$  Superconductivity
- Technicolor

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  - shows confinement in the IR and asymptotic freedom.



## Main objective

### Features of the desired field theory

- “QCD like”, i.e., must show confinement and asymptotic freedom
- Chiral Symmetry Breaking
- Must have a conformal window around the Electroweak scale.

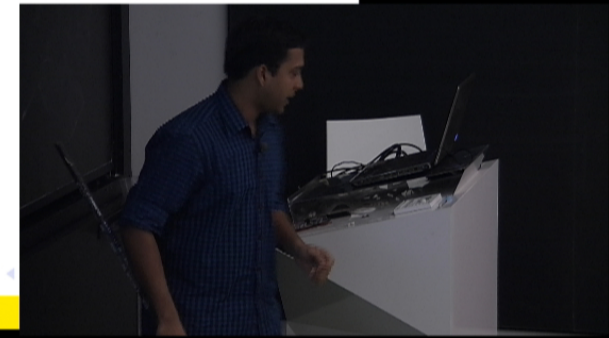




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$$g_{\mu\nu}, B_{\mu\nu}, \Phi$$

and for the  $(R-, R-)$  are

$$C_0, C_2, C_4$$



## Type IIB SUGRA

The low energy effective action (in the string frame) is:

$$S_{IIB} = S_{NS} + S_R + S_{CS}$$

$$S_{NS} = \frac{1}{2\kappa_{10}^2} \int d^{10}x \sqrt{-G} e^{-2\Phi} \left( R + 4\partial_\mu \Phi \partial^\mu \Phi - \frac{1}{2} |H_3|^2 \right)$$

$$S_R = -\frac{1}{4\kappa_{10}^2} \int d^{10}x \sqrt{-G} \left( |F_1|^2 + |\tilde{F}_3|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |\tilde{F}_5|^2 \right)$$

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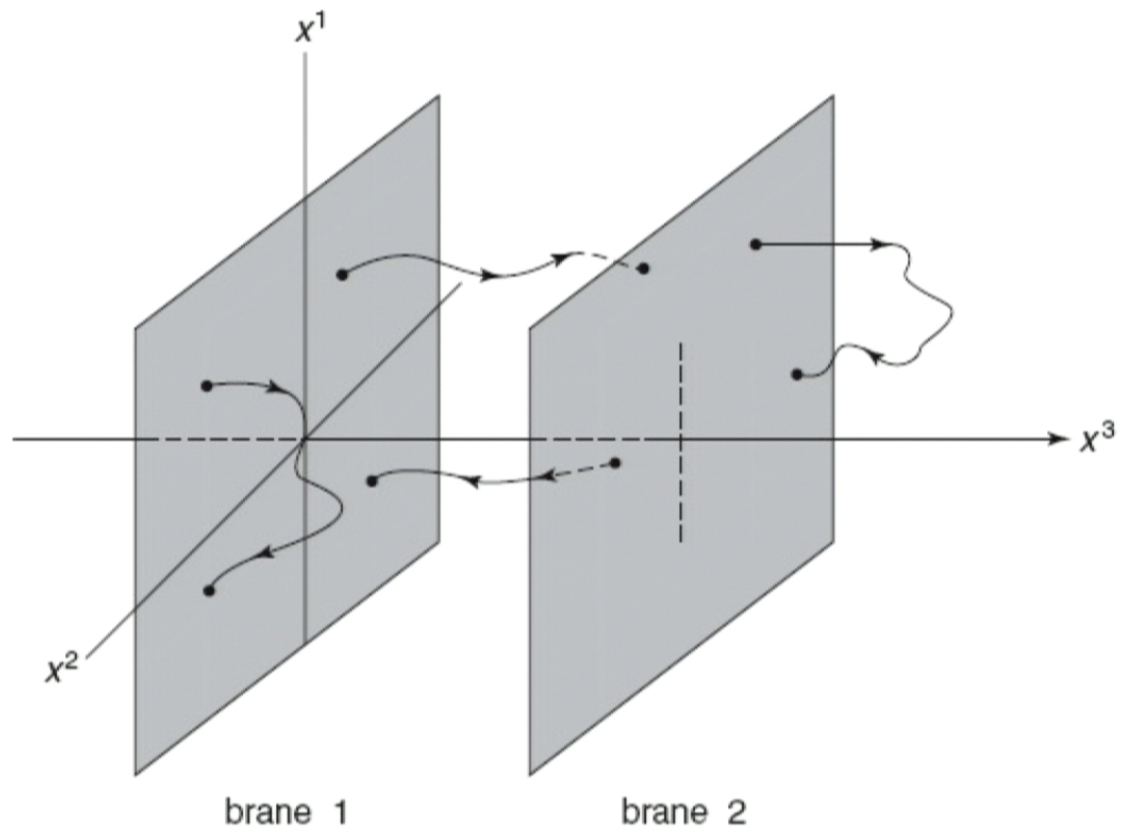
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$$\tilde{F}_3 = F_3 - C_0 \wedge H_3,$$

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## A little p-Brane physics

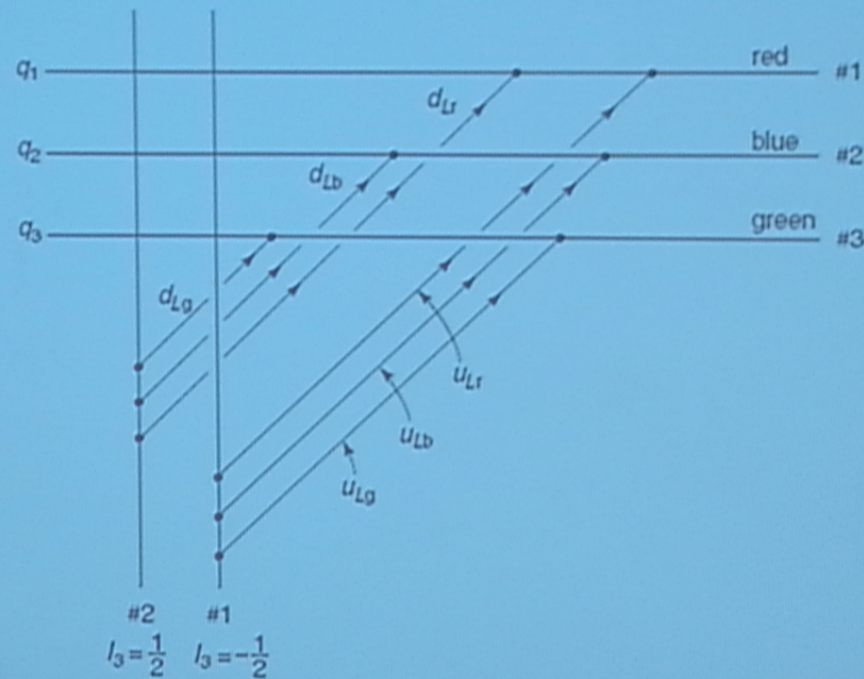
- These are extended objects that span  $p$ -spatial dimensions, that sweep a  $(p+1)$  dimensional world volume in  $d+1$  dimensional spacetime.
- D $p$ -branes were originally introduced for conserving momentum at string end points satisfying Dirichlet boundary conditions.
- Quantize open strings on a single D-brane:
  - at massless level the spectrum contains a Maxwell gauge field having  $p - 1$  polarization states
  - and  $d - p$  massless scalars for each transverse directions.
- If there are  $N$ -coincident D $p$ -branes then there are  $N^2$  ground states.
- $U(N)$  Yang-Mills theory lives on the world volume of  $N$  coincident D $p$ -Branes.





## Dp-Branes (Chiral fermions)

- A stringy picture of chiral fermions is obtained through intersecting branes.
- Oriented open strings running between *color* and *flavor* branes:





## Dp-Brane action

- In the background of Type IIB supergravity the action of the D-Branes takes the form (in the Einstein frame) :

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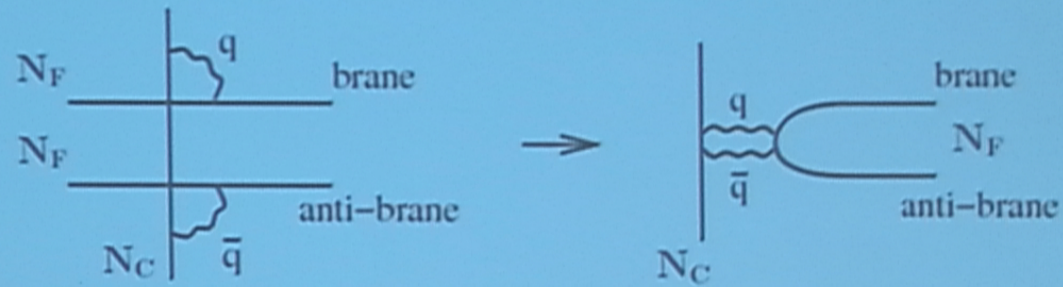
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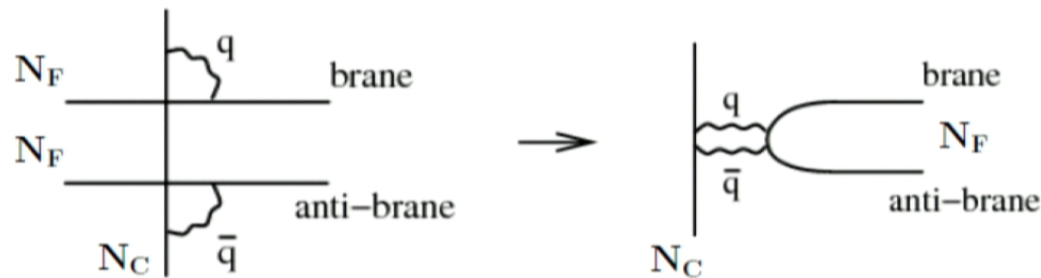
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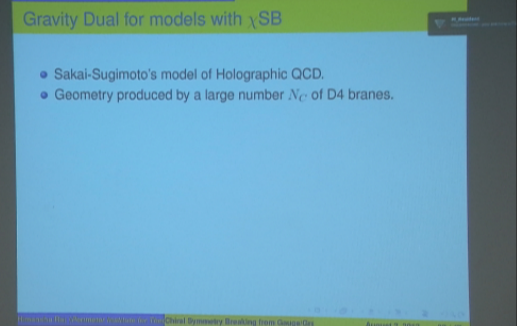
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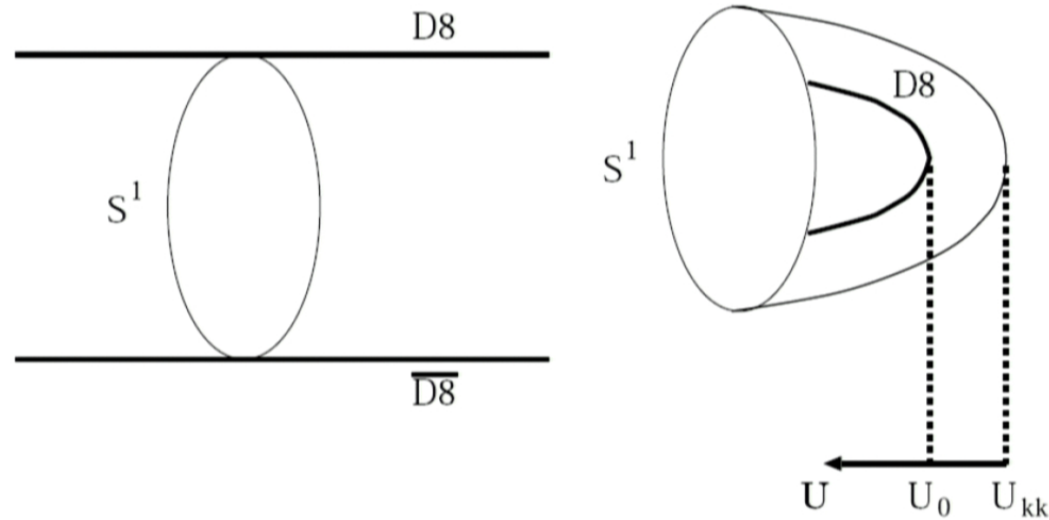
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## Sakai Sugimoto model

Figure:  $D4$ - $D8$ - $\overline{D8}$  configuration

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- Construction using wrapped branes (MN solution)
- Consider  $N_C$  D5-branes in Type IIB SUGRA.
- The background (in the Einstein frame) is:

$$ds^2 = e^{\Phi/2} \left( dx_{1,5}^2 + \alpha' g_s N_c \left( dr^2 + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^3 \tilde{\omega}_i^2 \right) \right)$$

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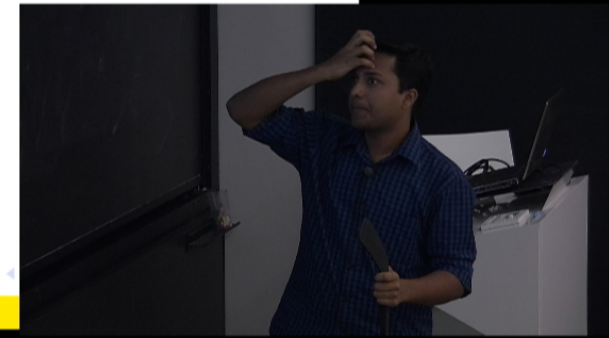
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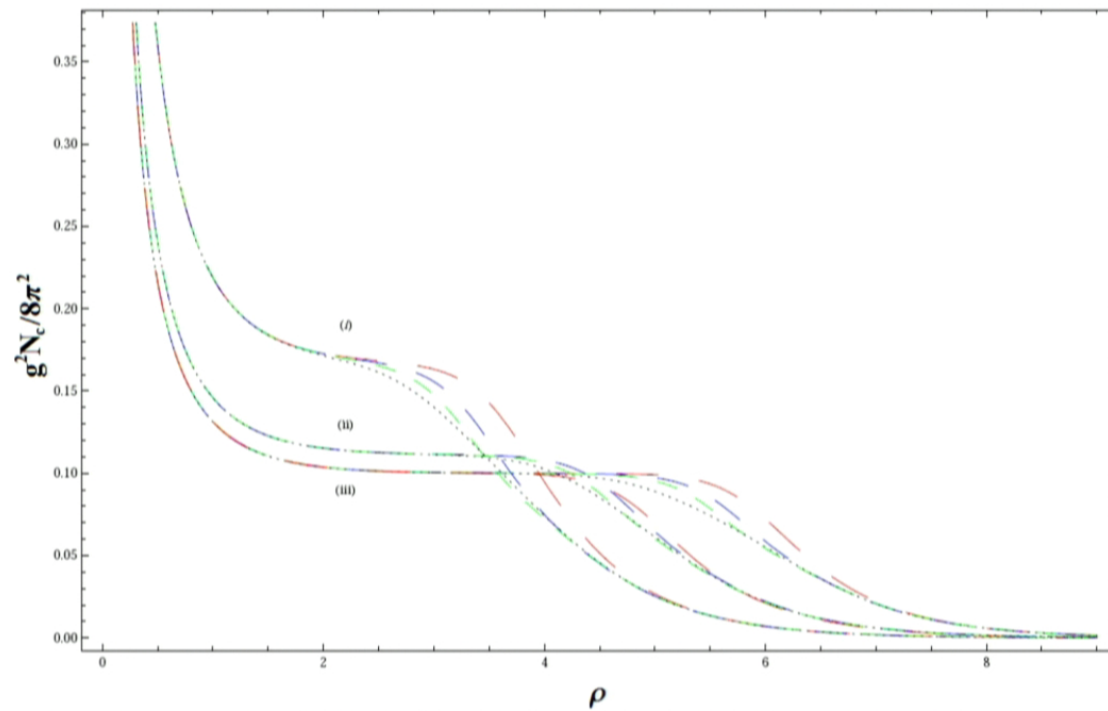
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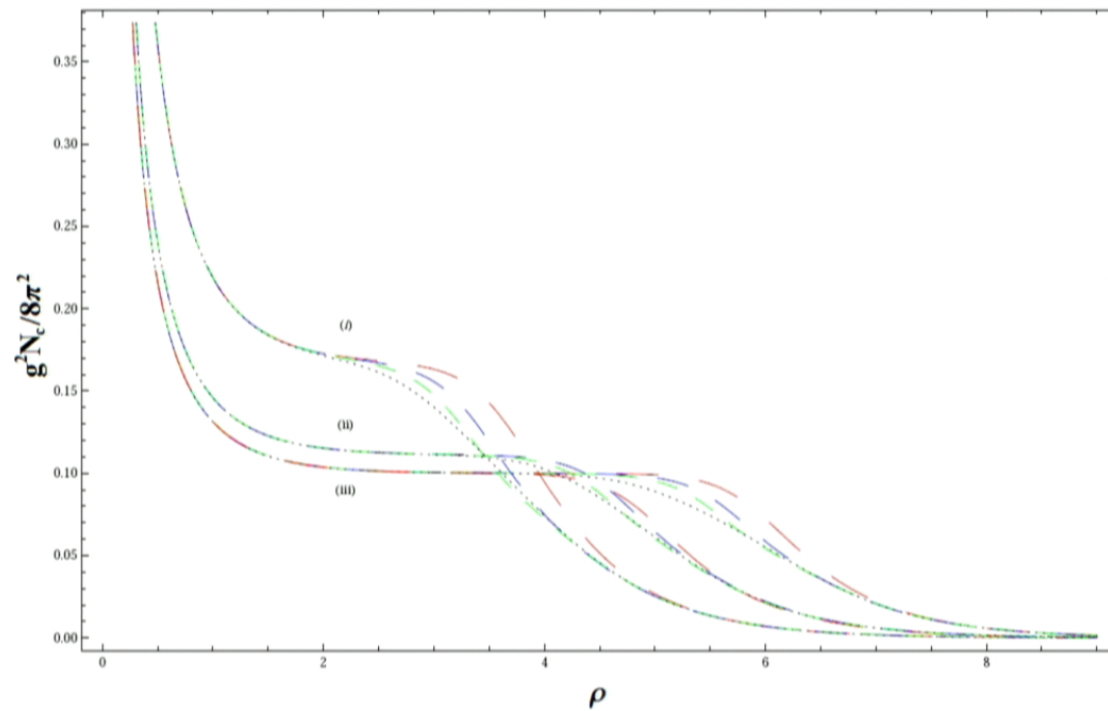
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D7- $\overline{D7}$	•	•	•	•			•	•	•	•

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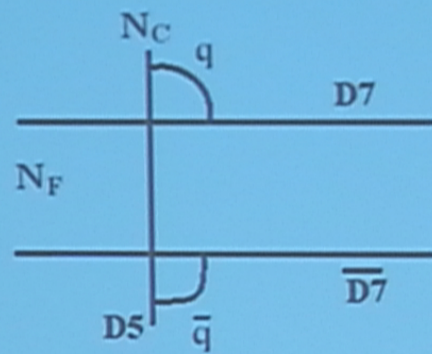
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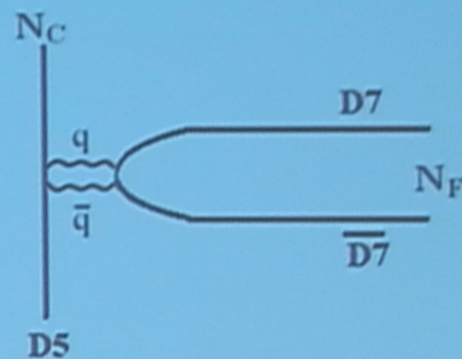
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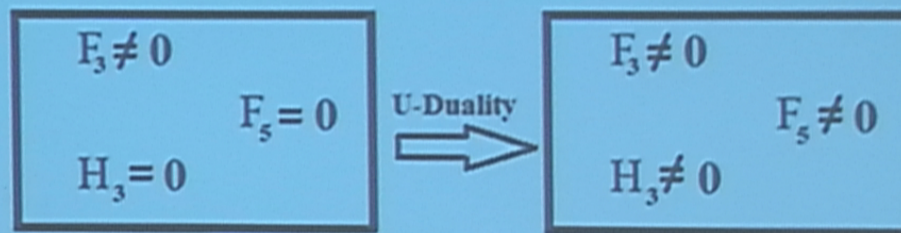
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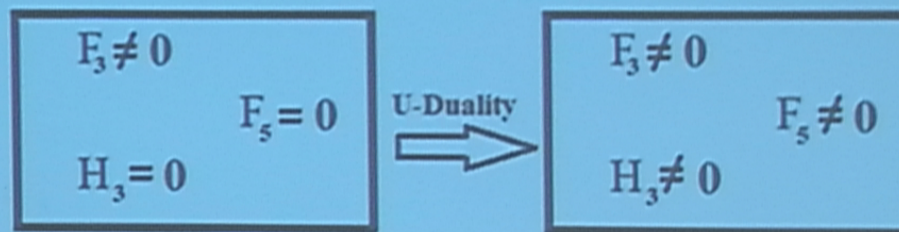
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$$F_5 = k_2 \frac{d}{d\rho} \left( \frac{e^{2\Phi}}{\hat{h}} \right) \hat{h}^{3/4} e^{-k - \frac{5\phi}{4}} \left[ -e^{tx_1 x_2 x_3 \rho} + e^{\theta\phi 123} \right]$$

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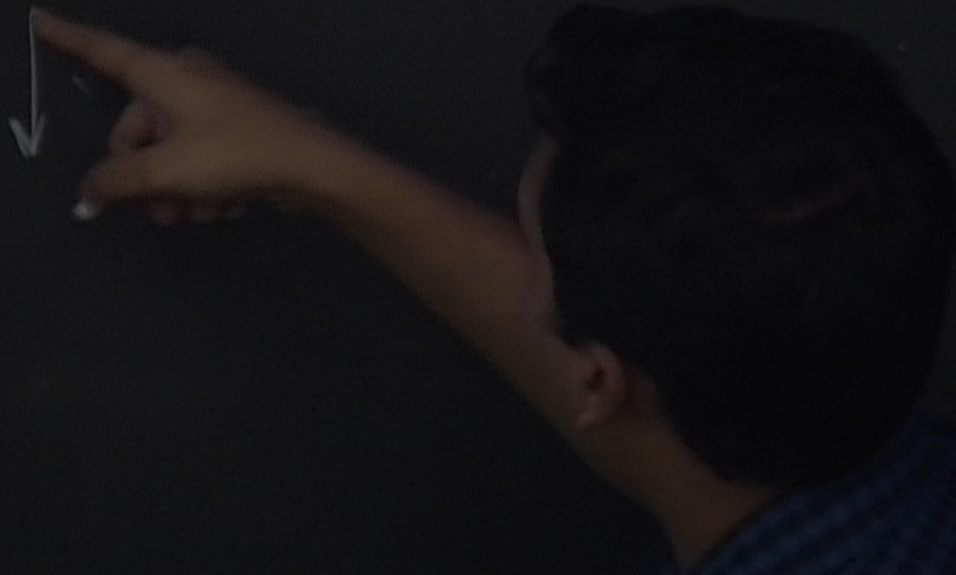
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