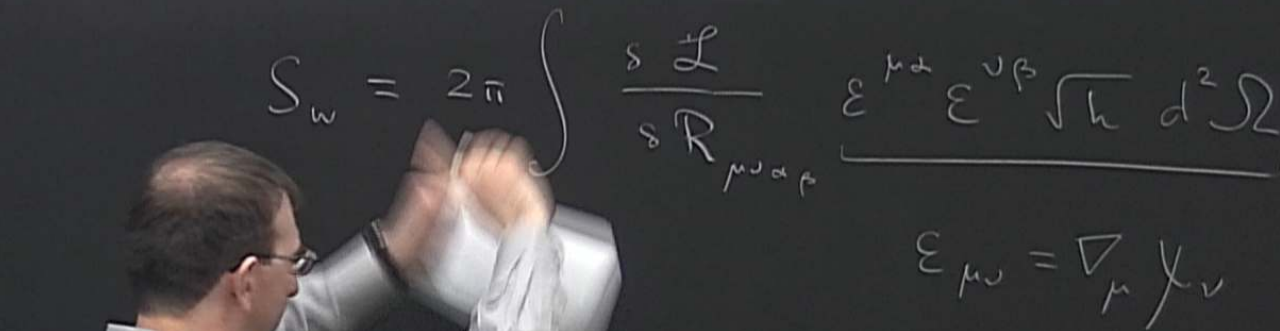


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Abstract:


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$\sigma^\alpha$  worldsheet coord.  $X^M$  :  $M = 0, \dots, D-1$   
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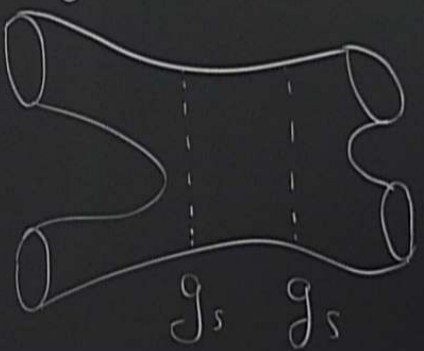
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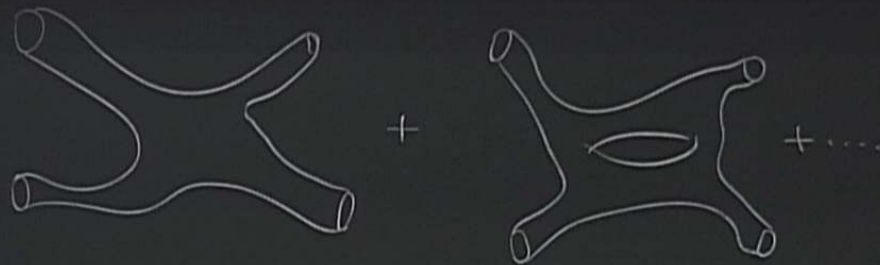
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$$2h-2$$
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$h =$  number of holes

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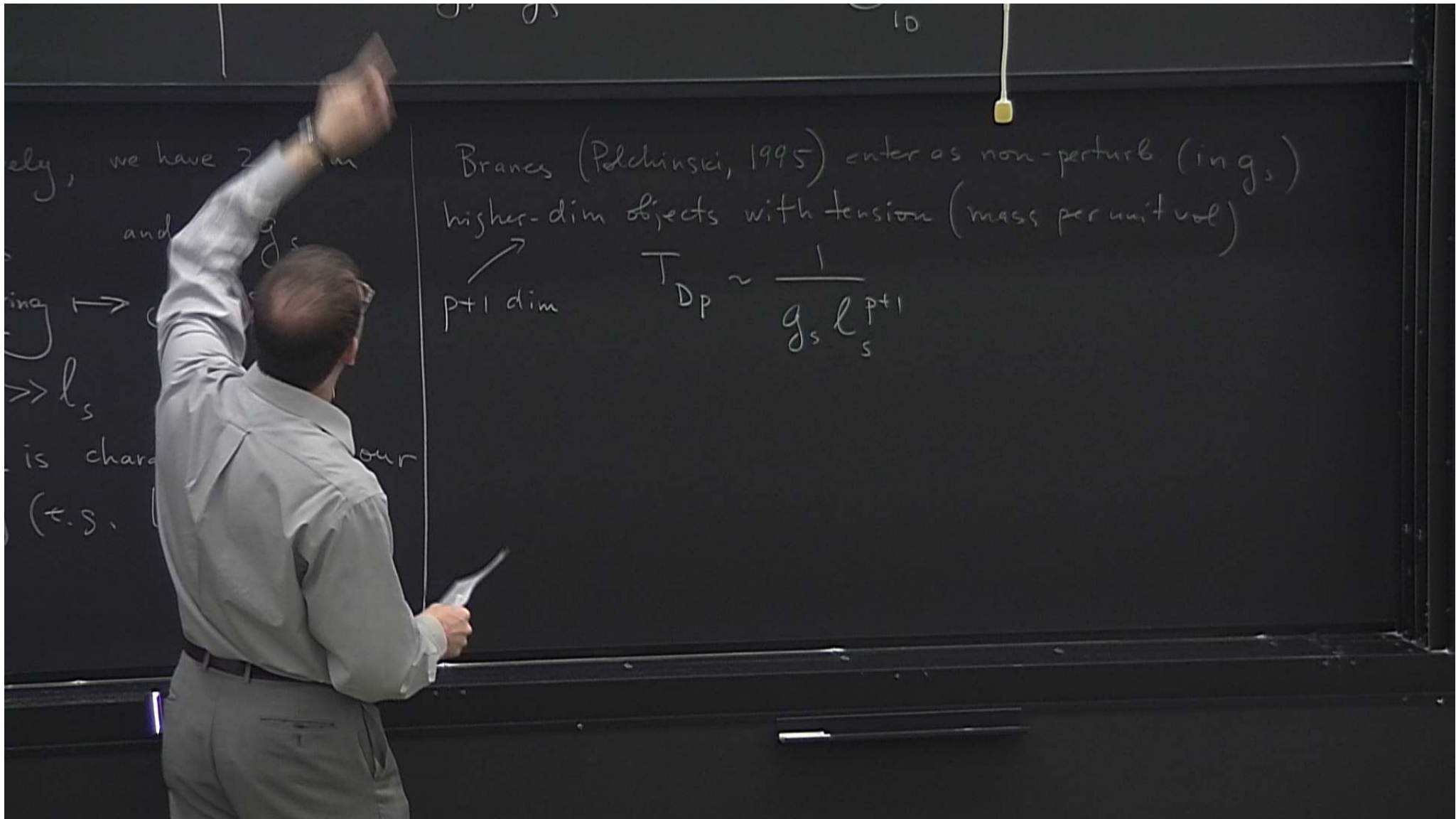
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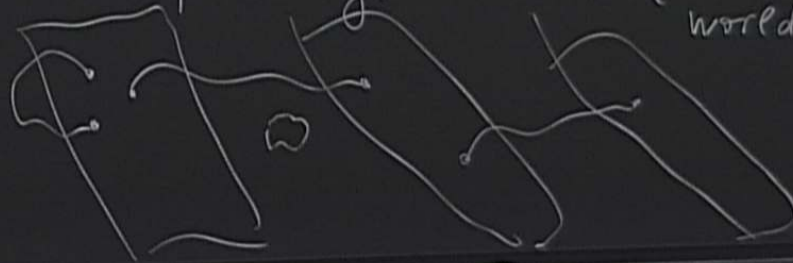
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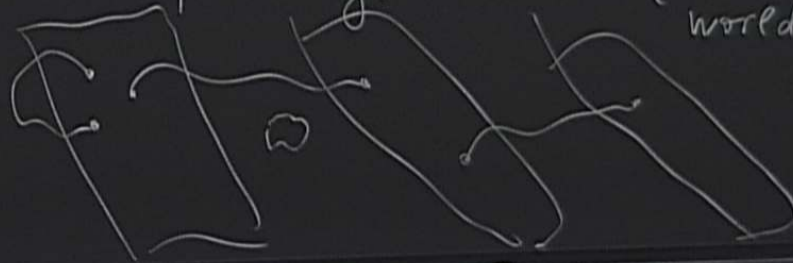
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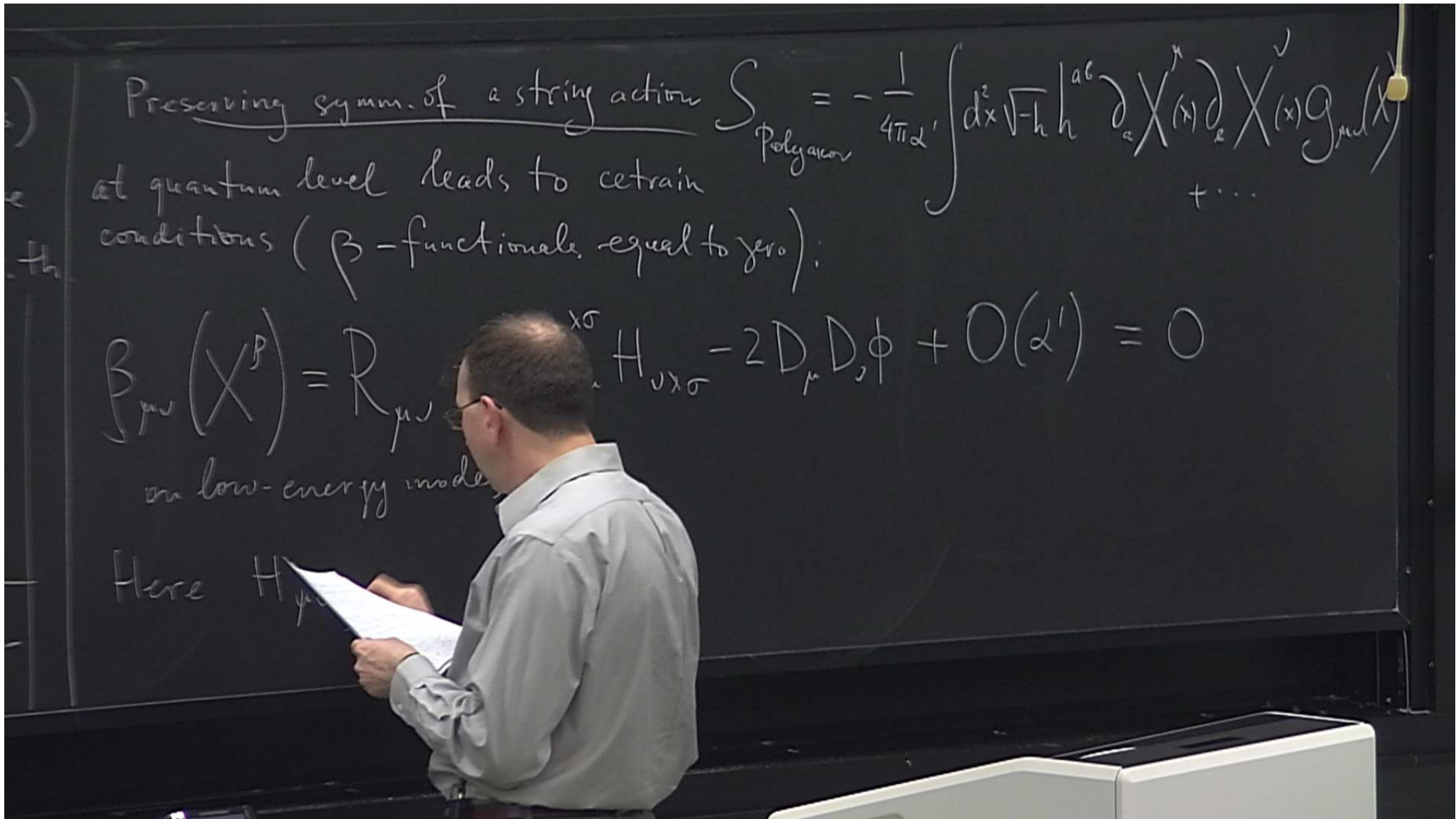
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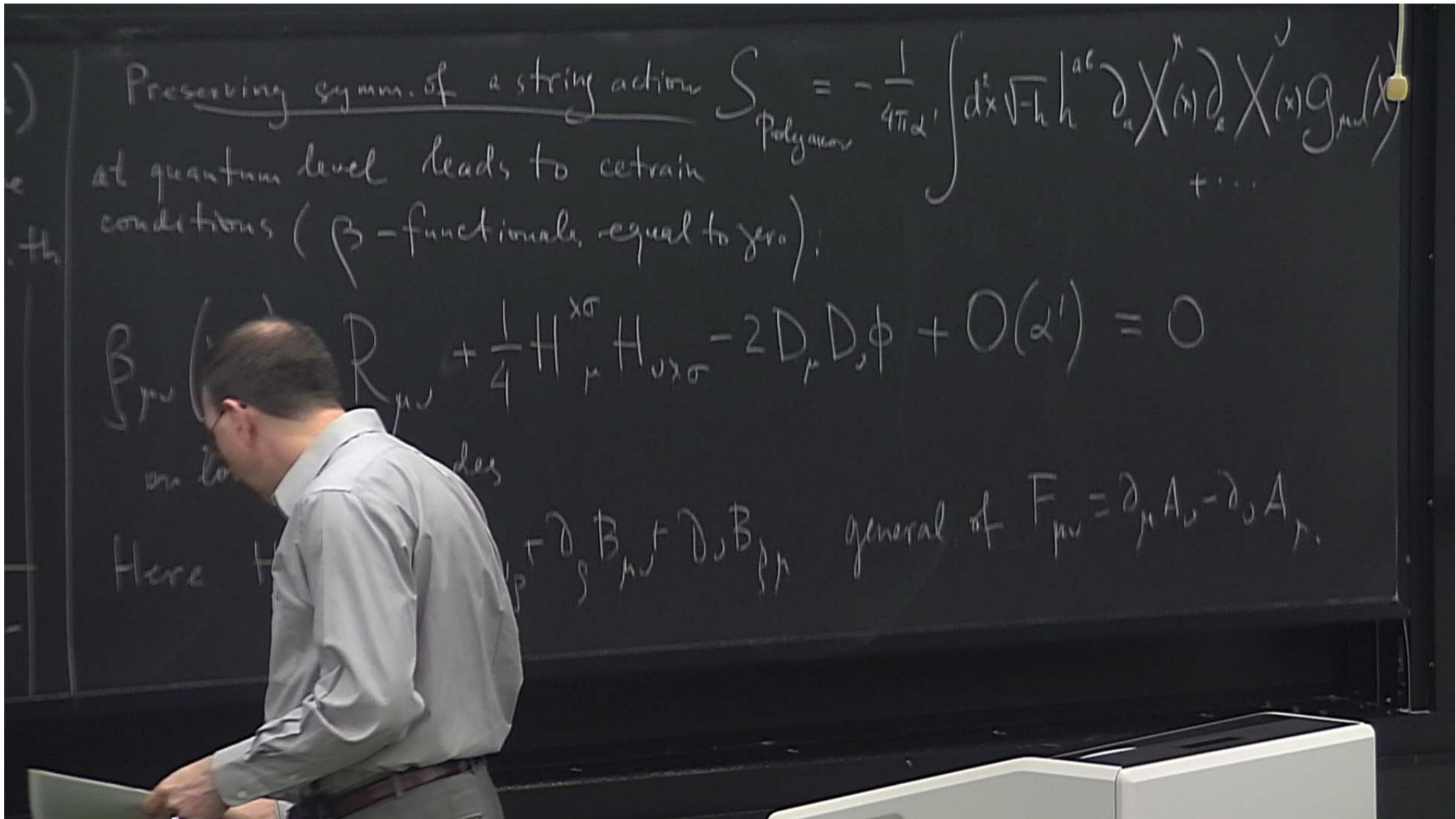
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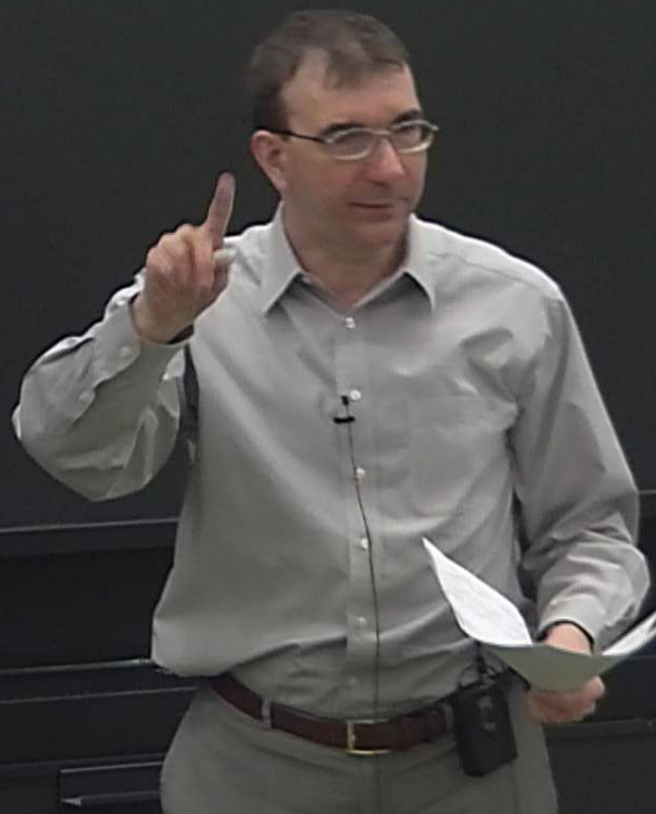
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$$+ e^{2\phi} \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu C \partial_\nu C + \frac{1}{4} e^\phi \left( \tilde{F}_{\mu\lambda\sigma} \tilde{F}_\nu^{\lambda\sigma} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{(3)}^2 \right)$$
$$+ \frac{1}{96} \tilde{F}_{\mu\lambda\rho\sigma\alpha} \tilde{F}_\nu^{\lambda\rho\sigma\alpha}$$

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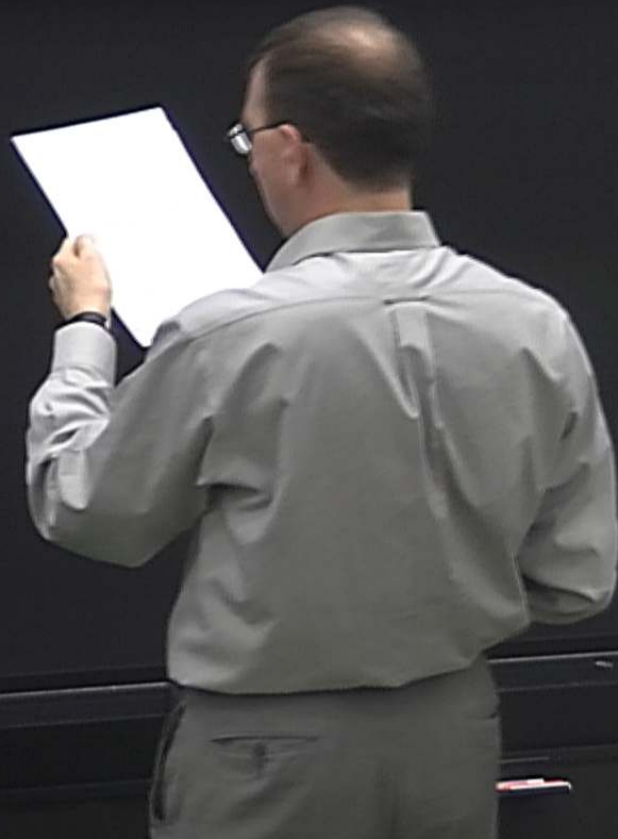
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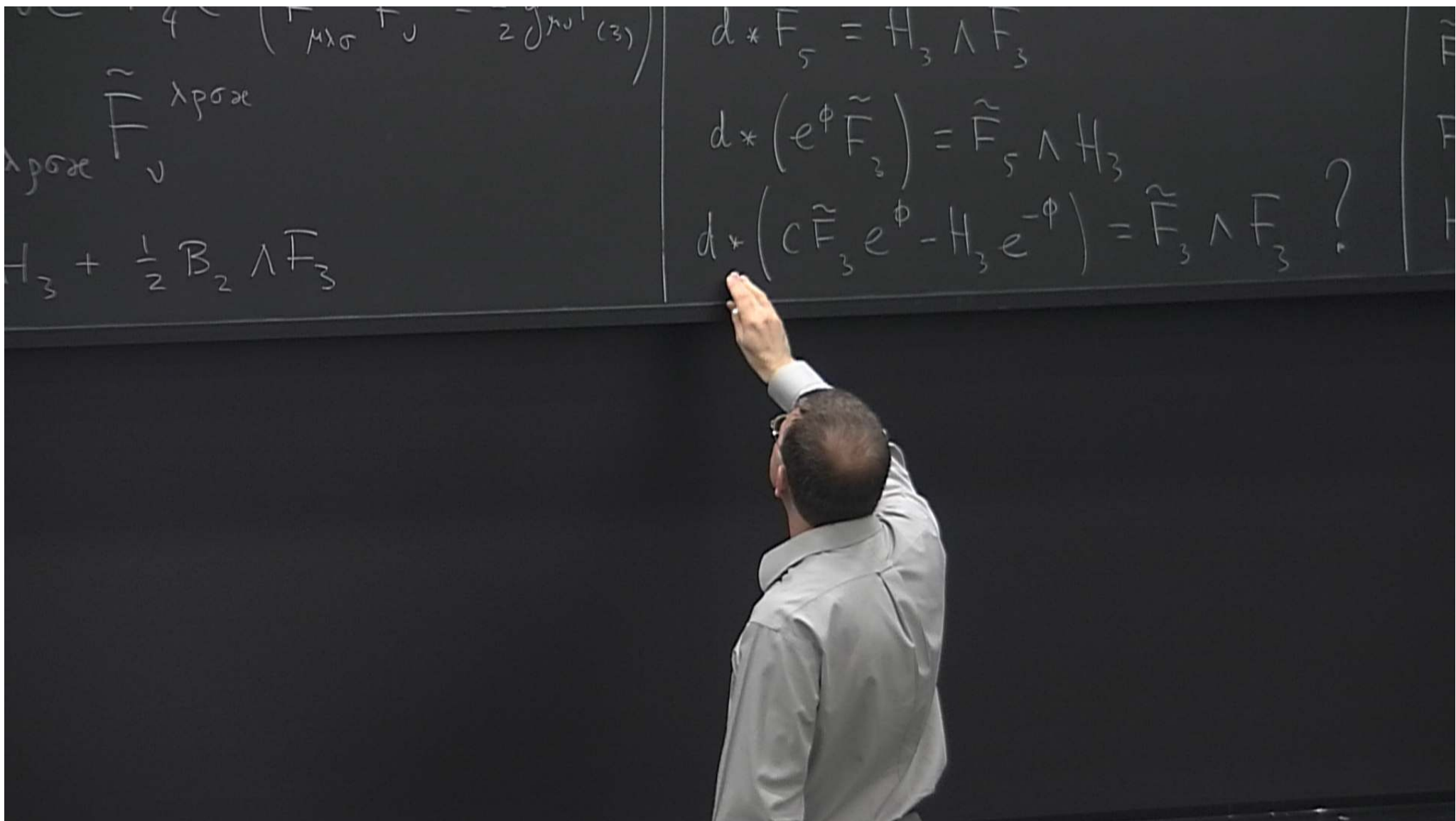
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