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Abstract:

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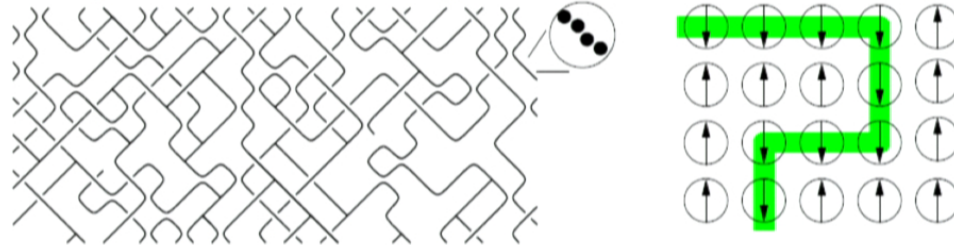
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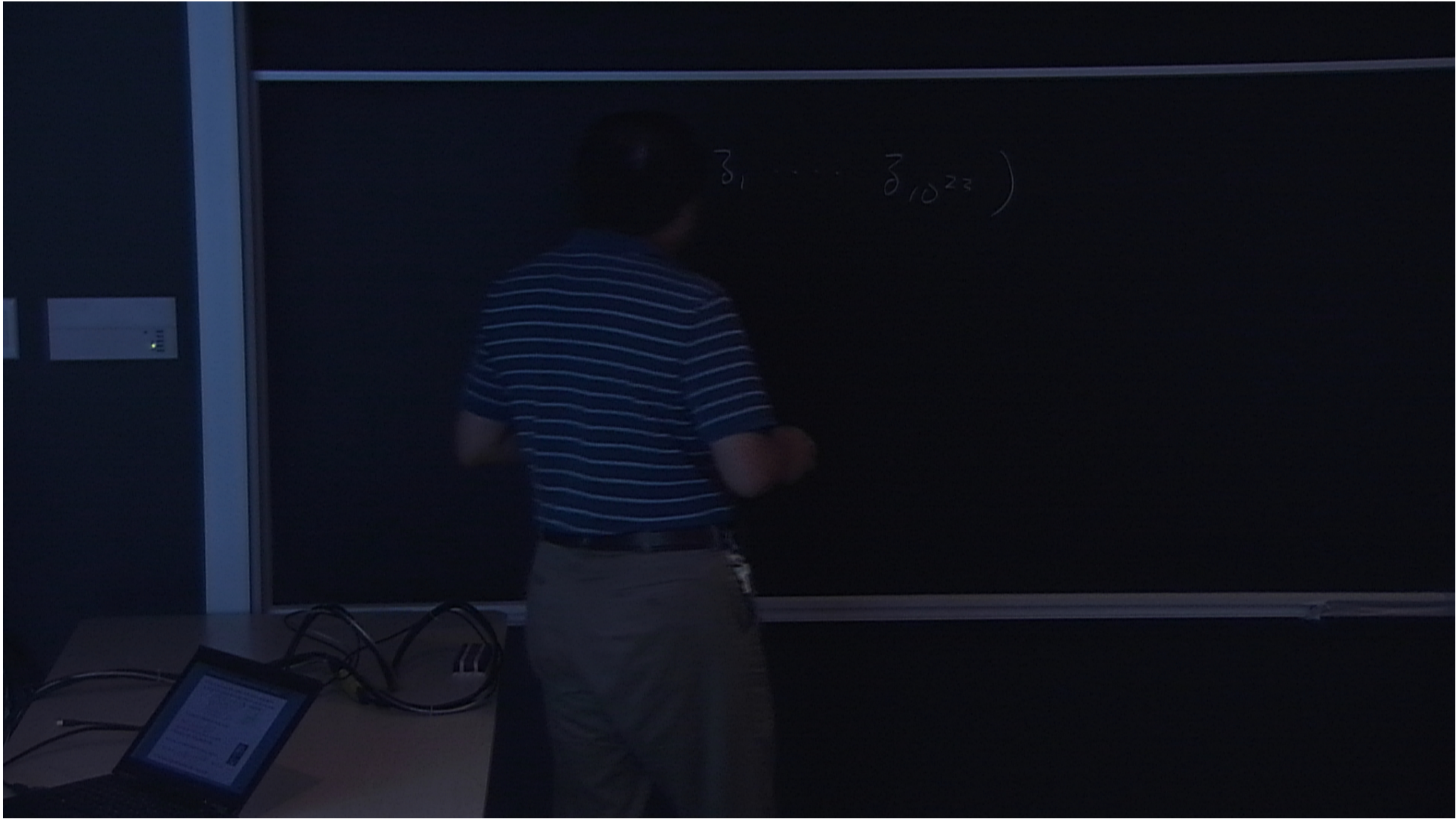
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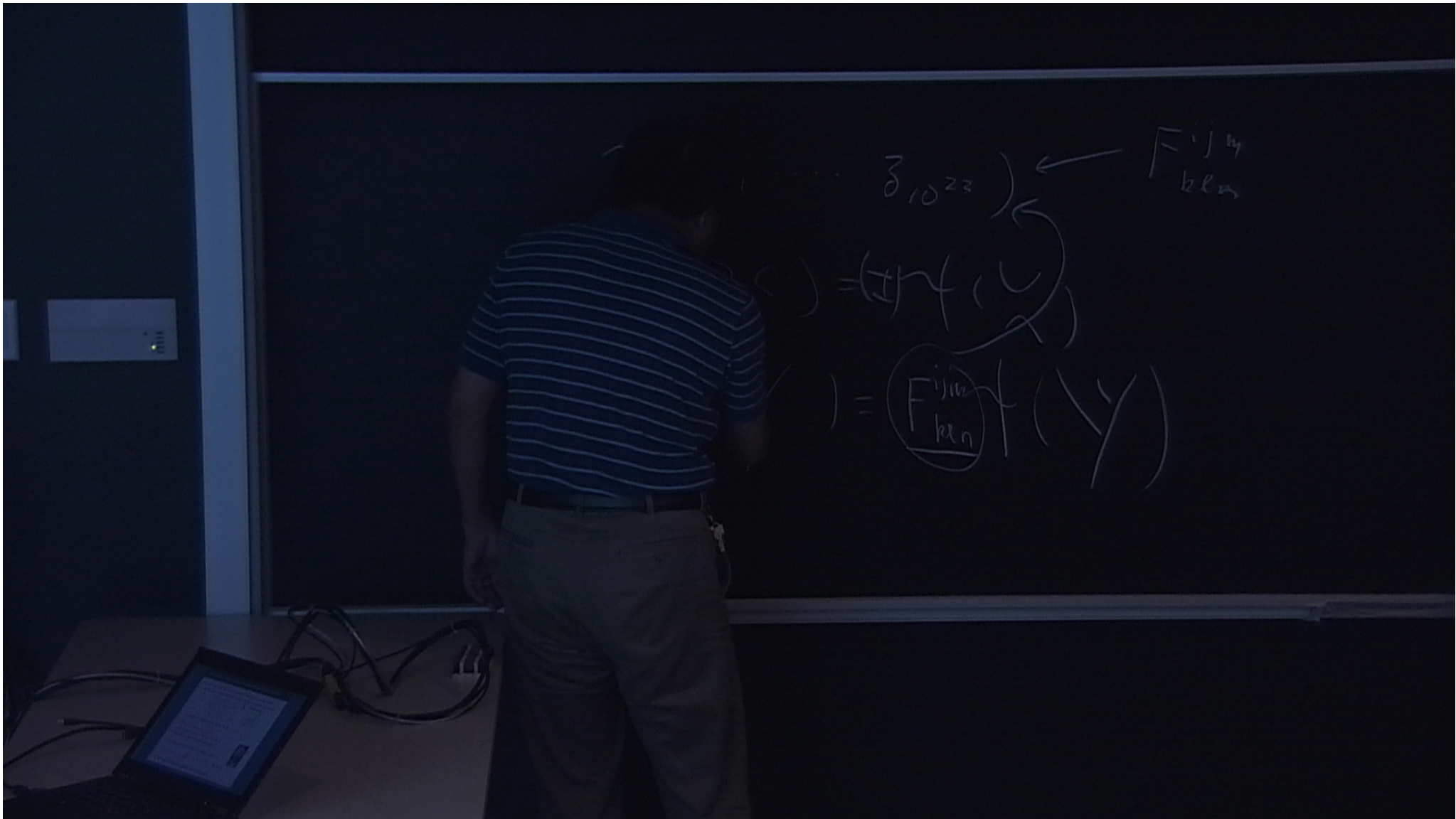
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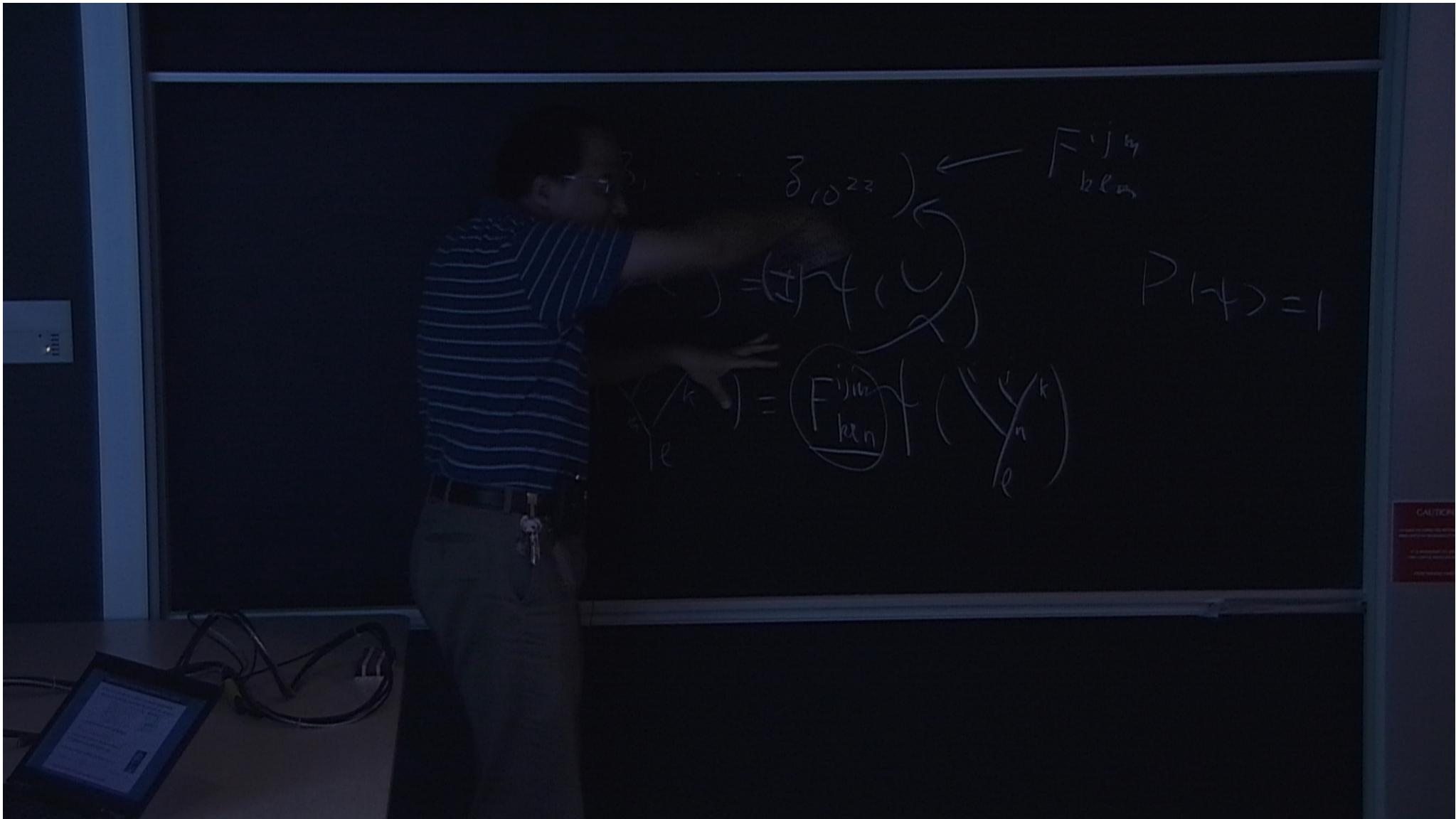


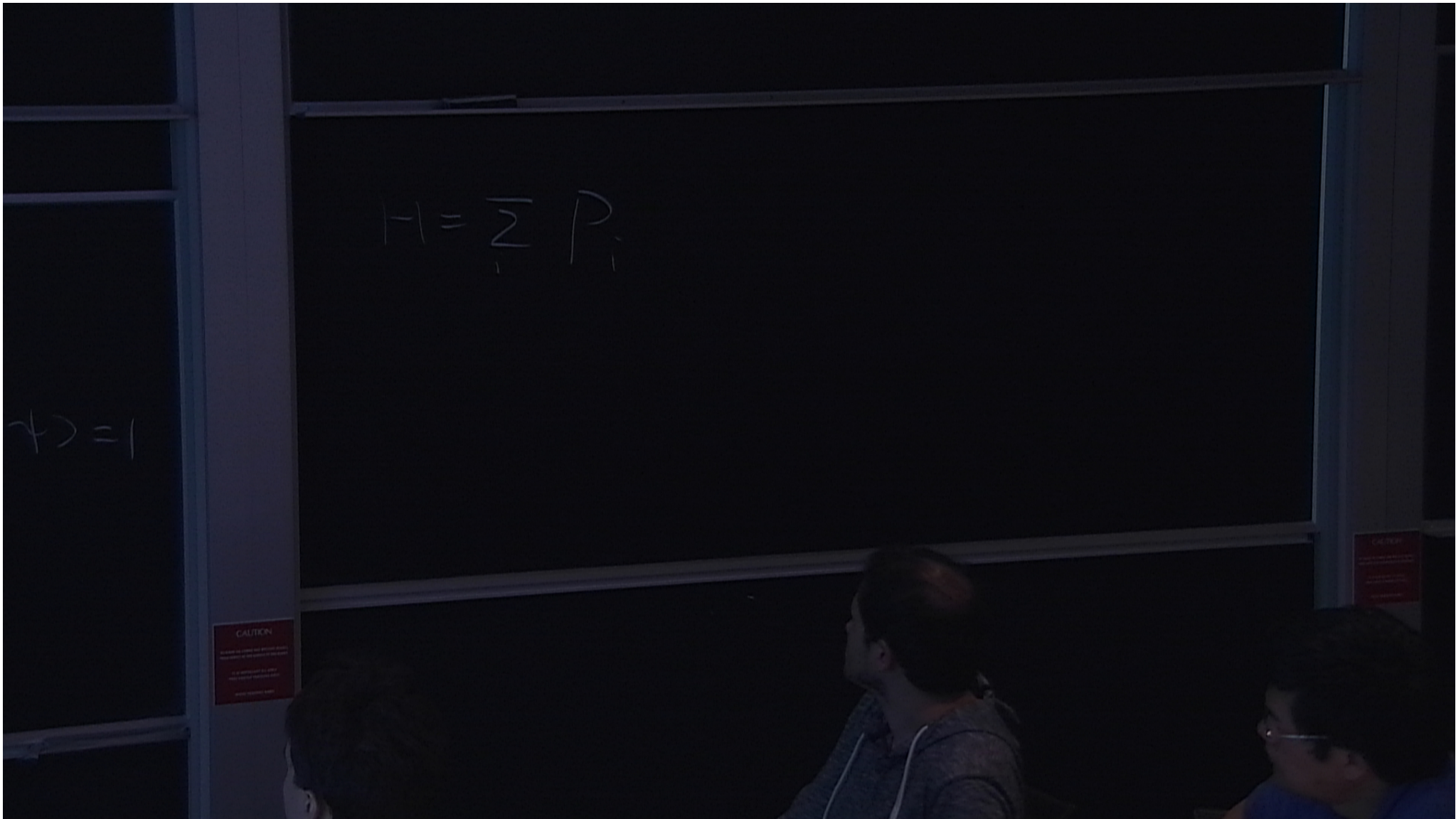
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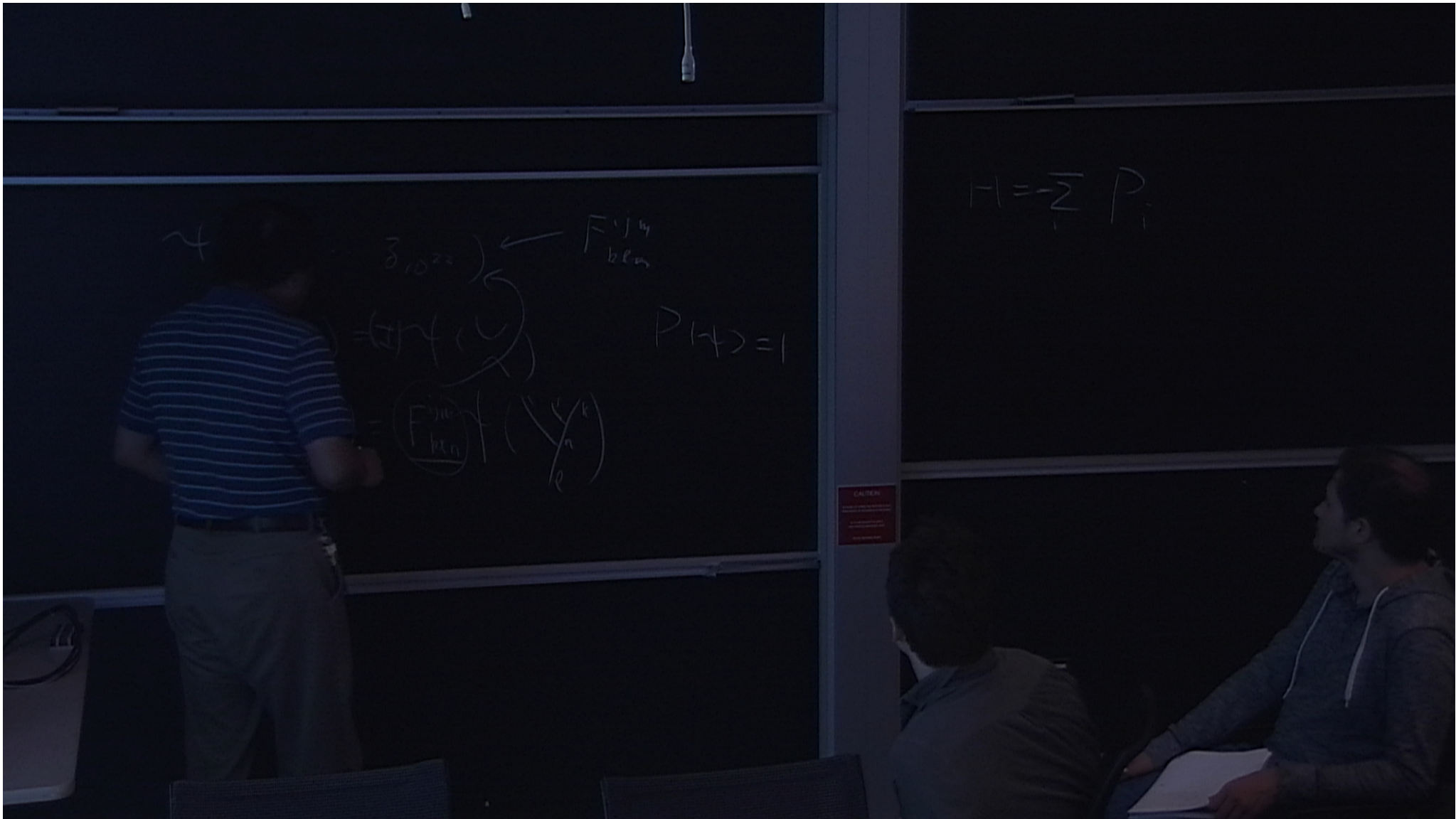
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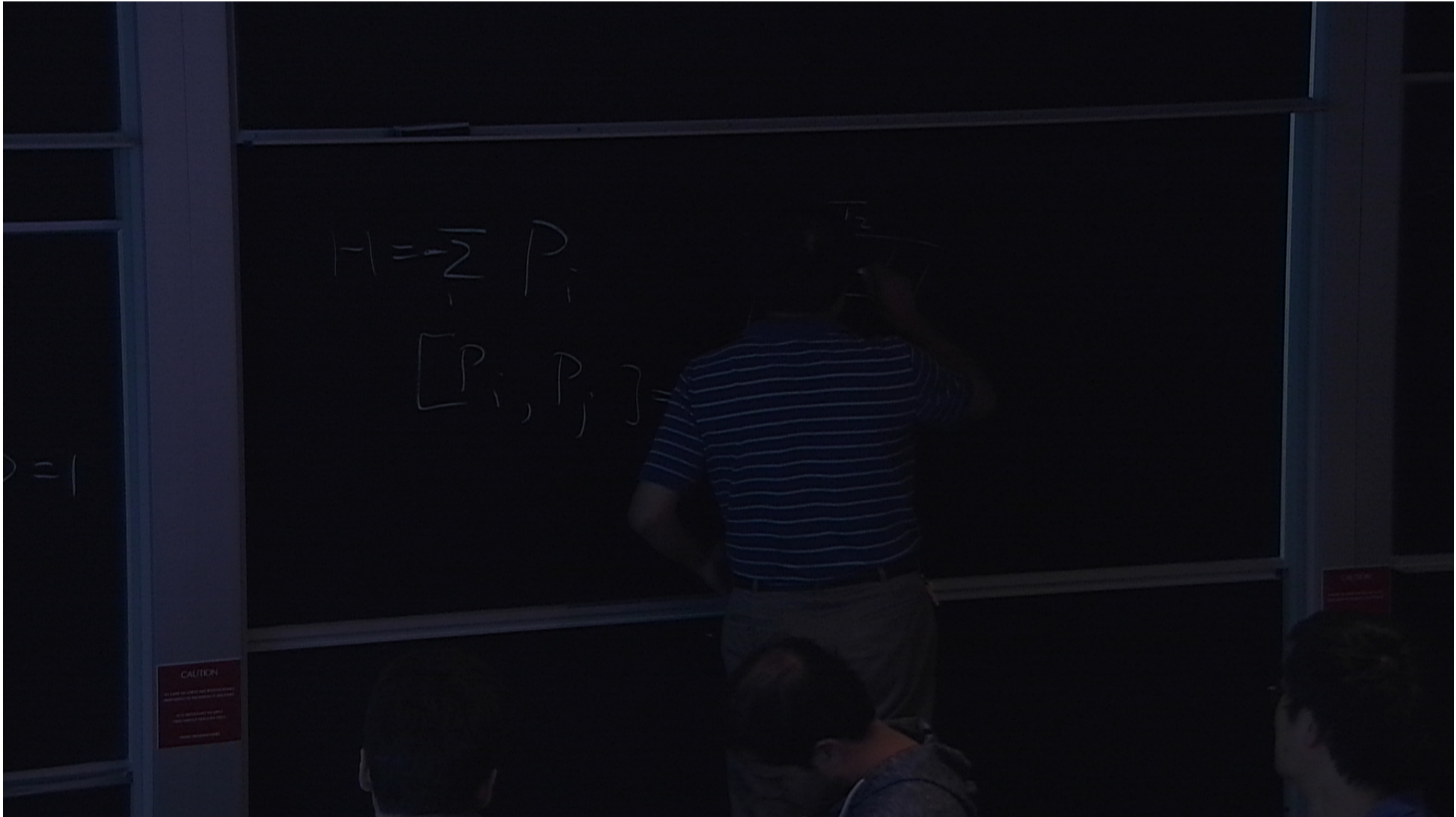
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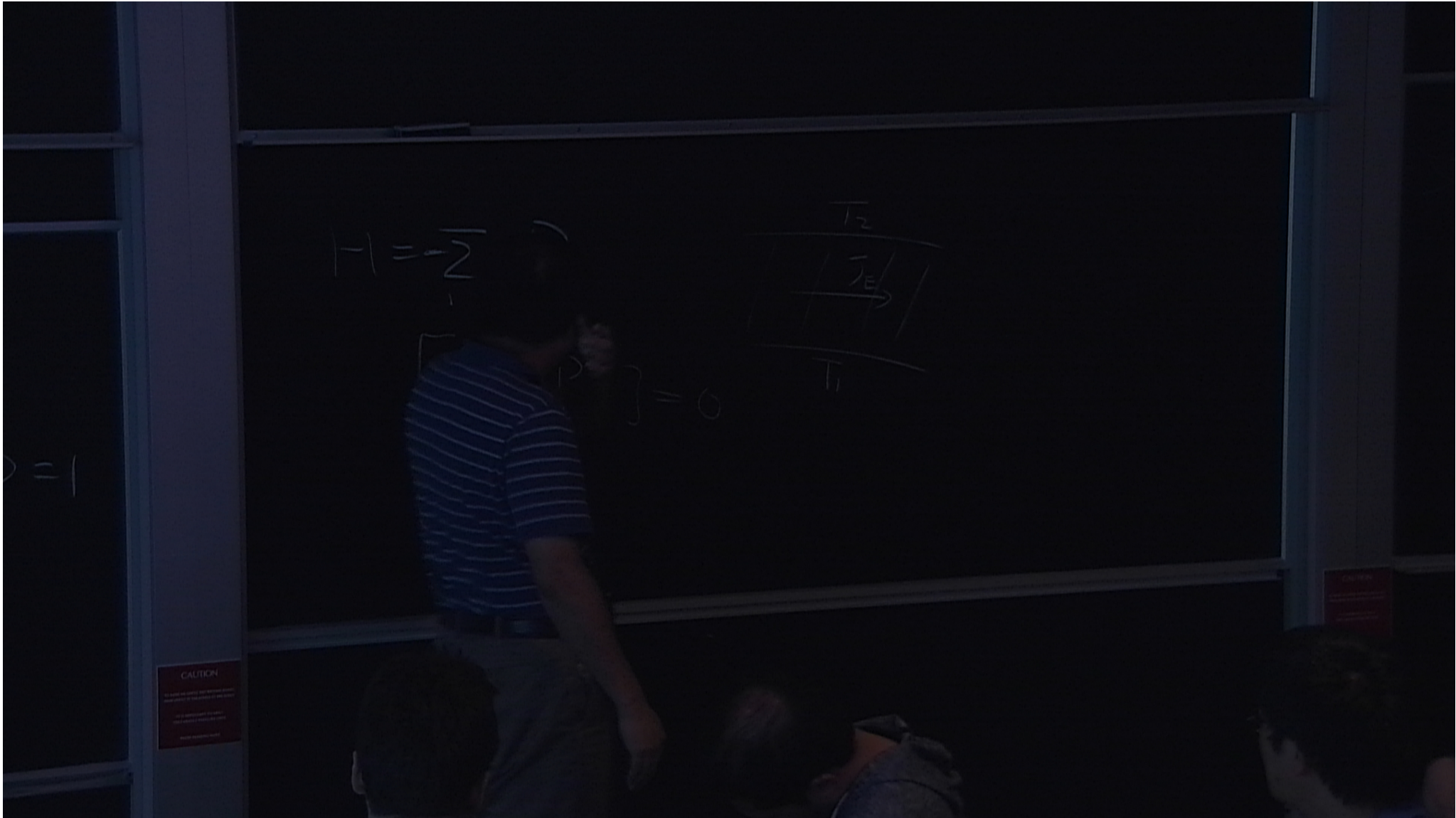


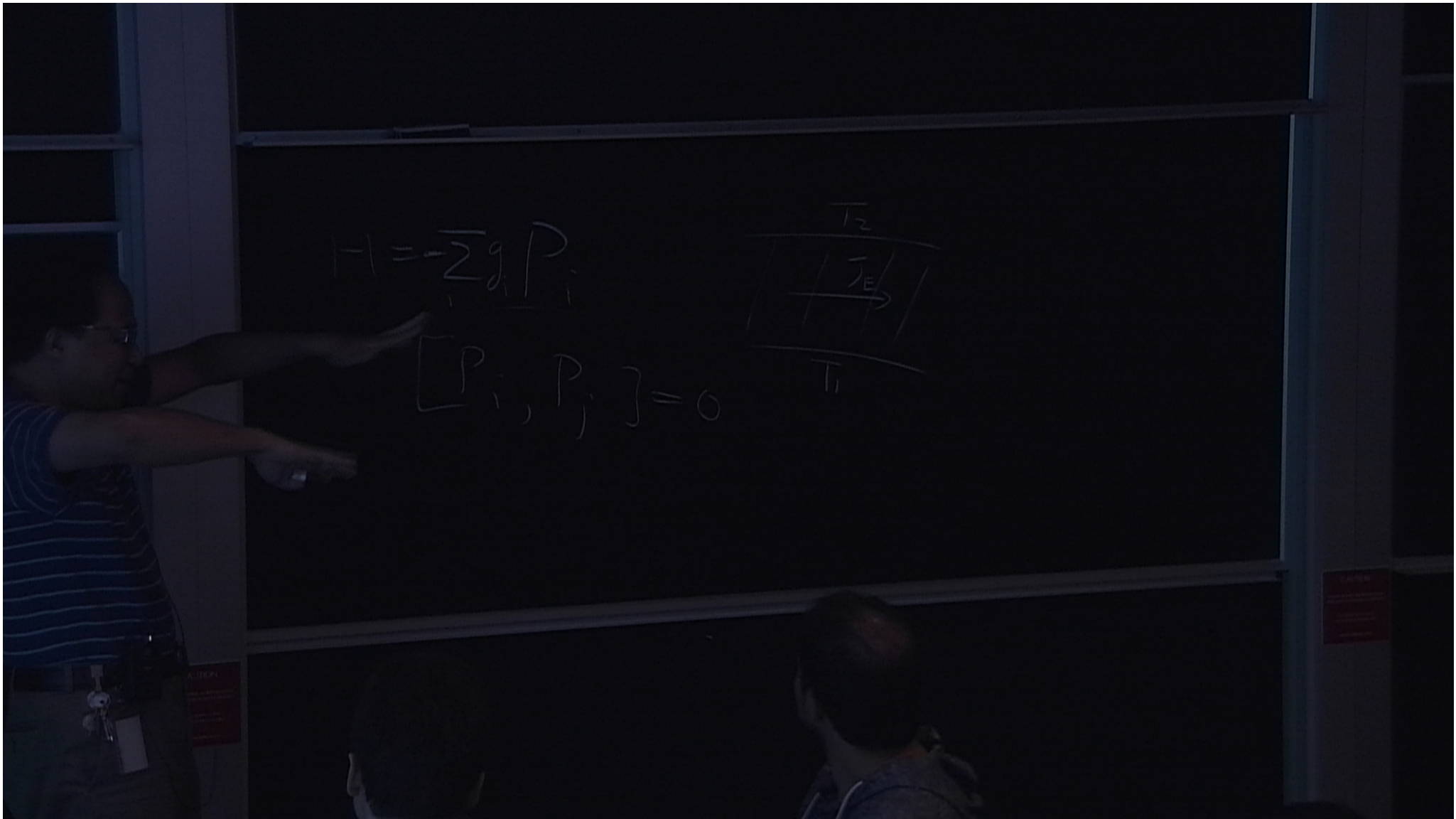


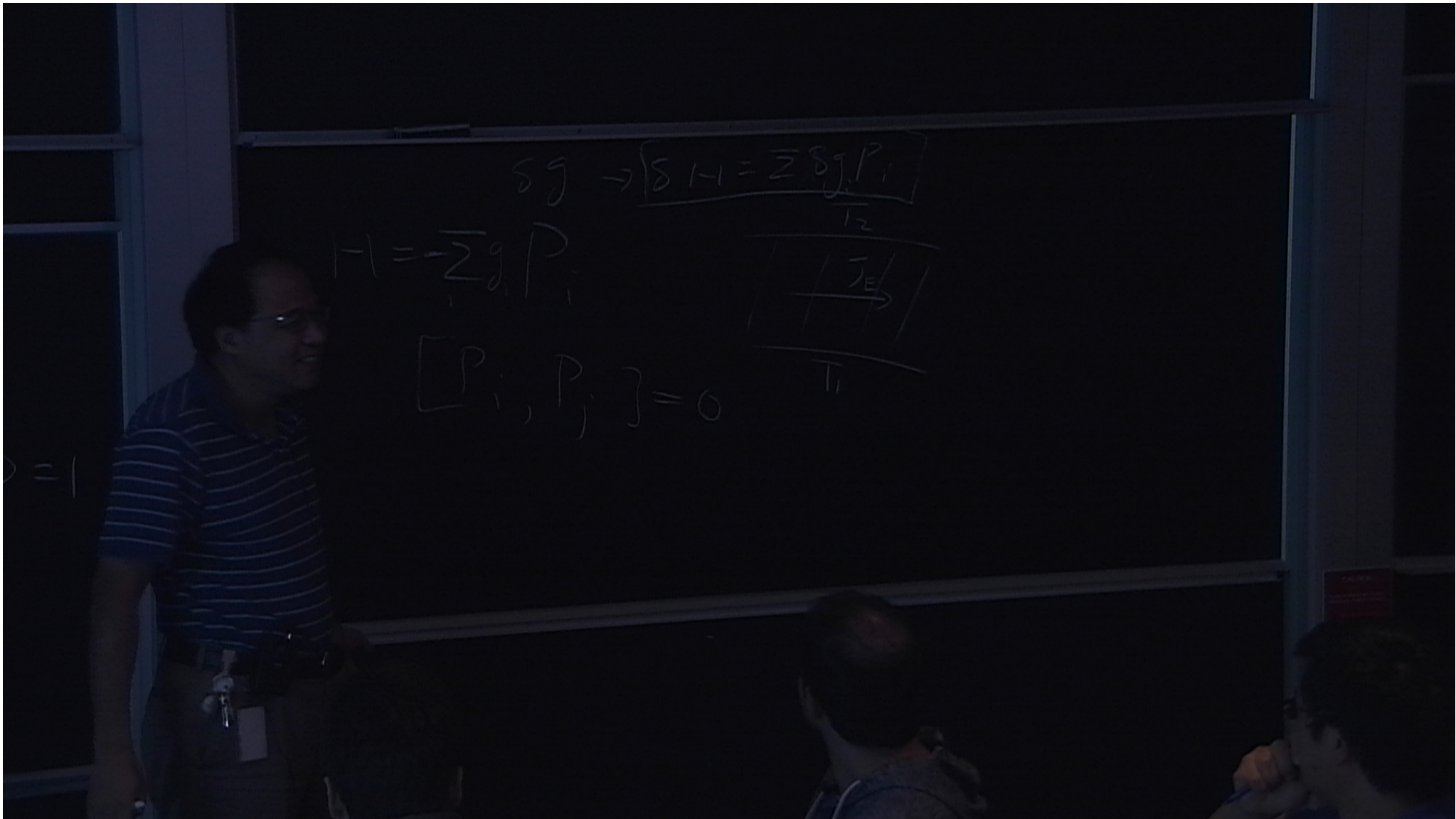


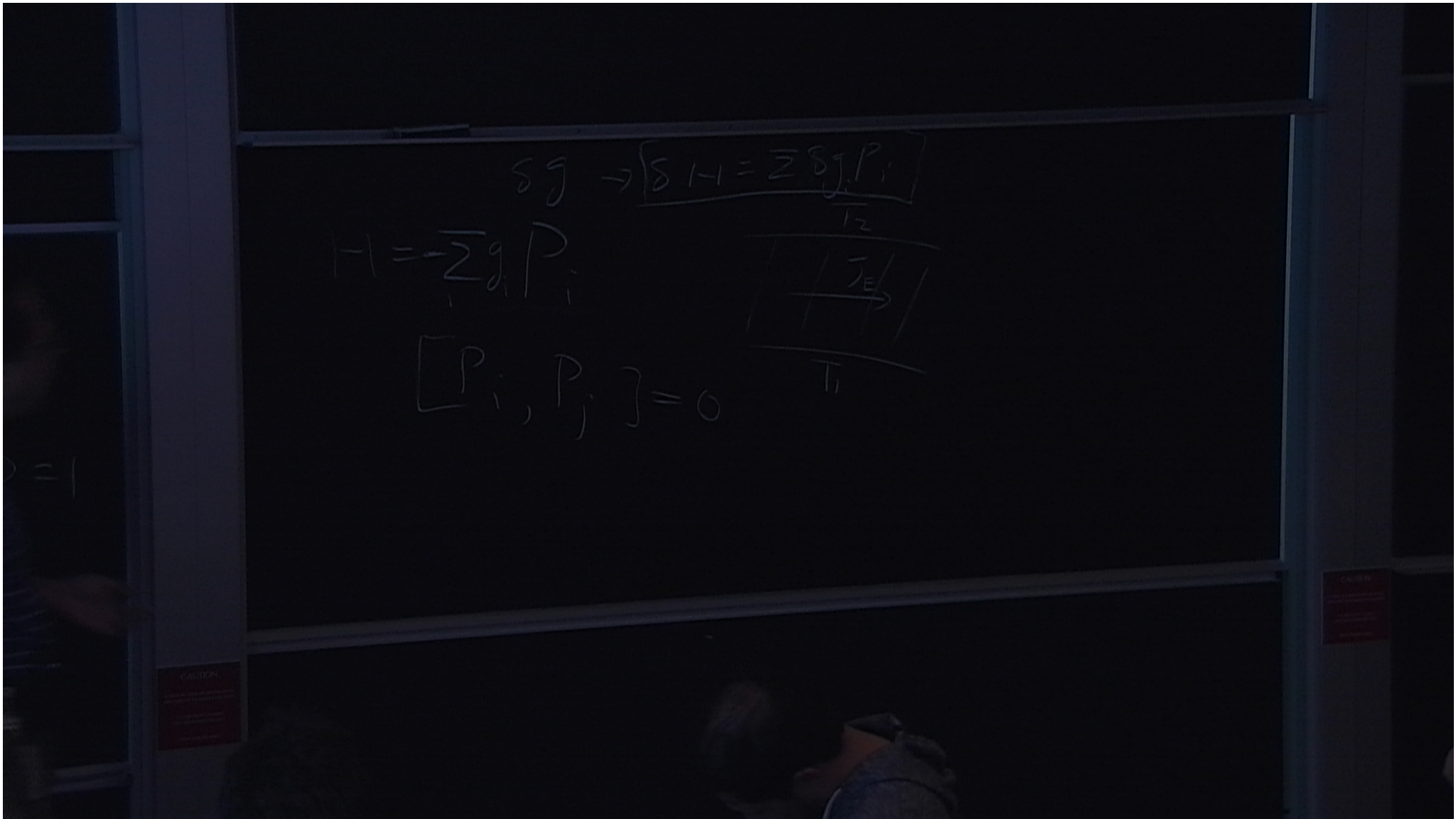












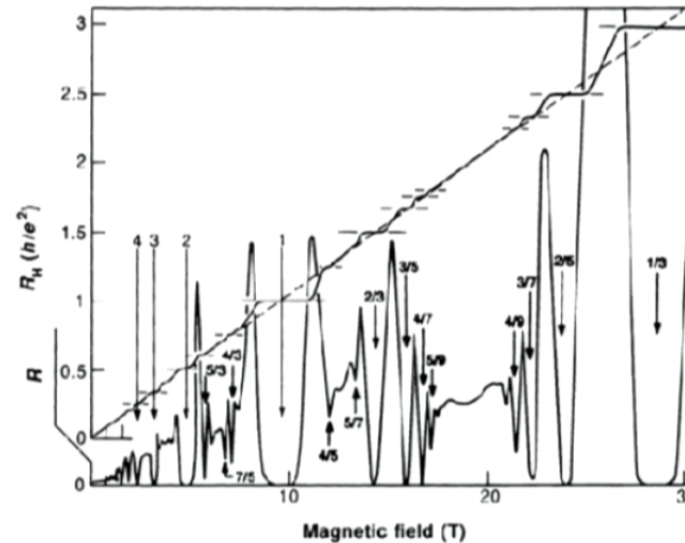
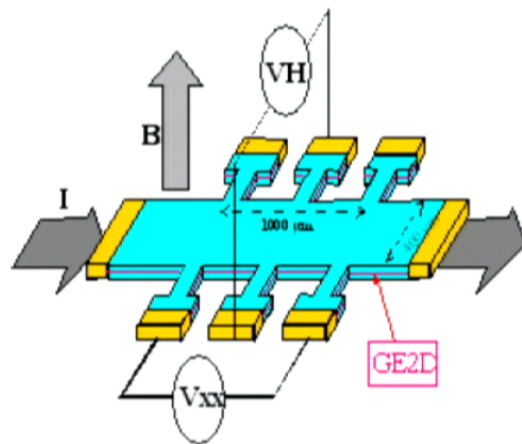


# The experimental discovery of FQH effect

- Quantum Hall states (1980's)
- Quantized Hall conductance:

$$\sigma_{xy} = \frac{I}{V_H} = \frac{m e^2}{n h} = \frac{1}{R_H}$$

$$\frac{m}{n} = \nu = \frac{\text{\# of electrons}}{\text{\# of flux quanta}}$$



- FQH states have different phases with no symmetry breaking, no crystal order, no spin order, ... so they must have a new order – **topological order** Wen-89

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- $\nu = 1$  fermionic IQH state:  $z_1 \approx z_2$ , first-order zero:

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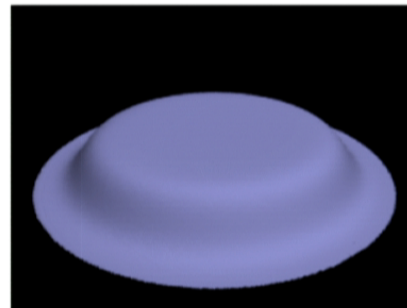
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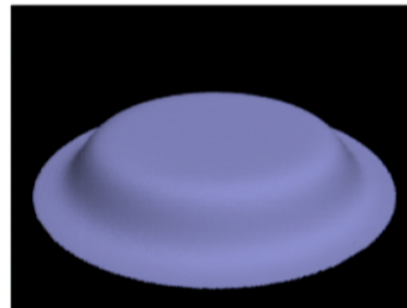
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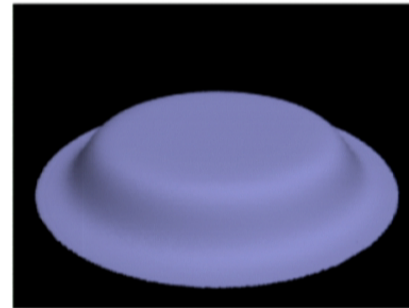
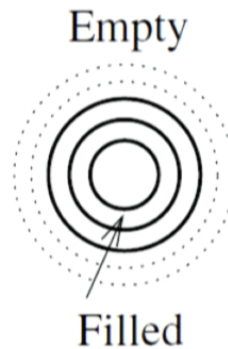
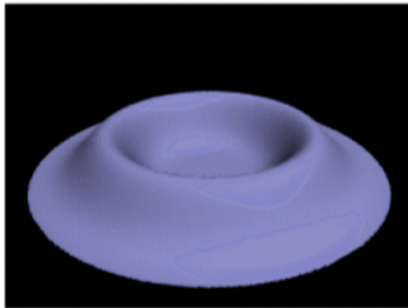


# Why $\nu = 1$ for state $\Psi_1 = \prod_{i < j} (z_i - z_j) e^{-\sum |z_i|^2/4}$

One-particle eigenstate (orbital) for  $H_0 = -\sum (\partial_z - \frac{B}{4} z^*) (\partial_{z^*} + \frac{B}{4} z)$ :  
 $z^l e^{-\frac{1}{4}|z|^2} \rightarrow$  a ring-like wave function with  
 a radius  $r_l = \sqrt{2l}$  and angular momentum  $l$ .

The  $\nu = 1$  many-fermion state is obtained by filling the orbitals:

$$\Psi = \prod_{i < j} (z_i - z_j) e^{-\frac{1}{4} \sum |z_i|^2} = \mathcal{A}[(z_1)^0 (z_2)^1 \dots] e^{-\frac{1}{4} \sum |z_i|^2}$$



$l$  electrons within radius  $r_l \rightarrow$  one electron per  $\pi r_l^2 / l = 2\pi$  area.  
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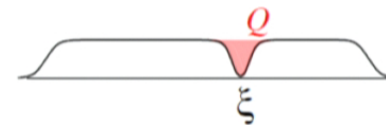
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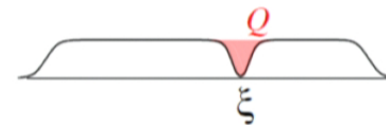
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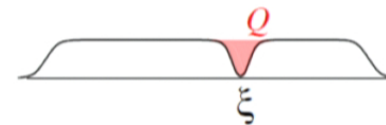
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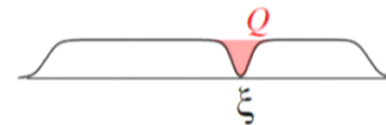
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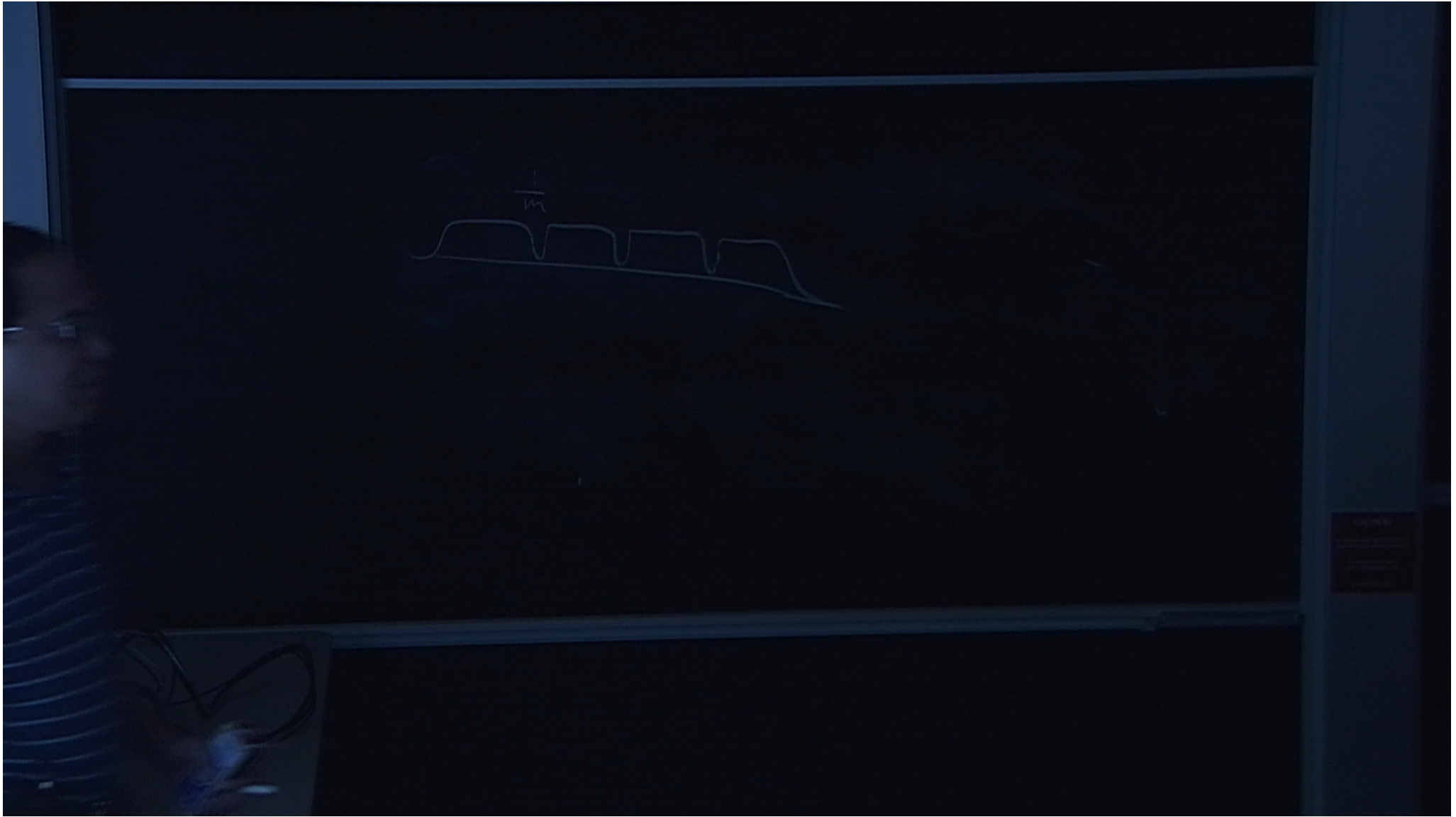
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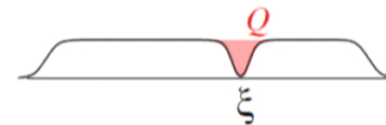
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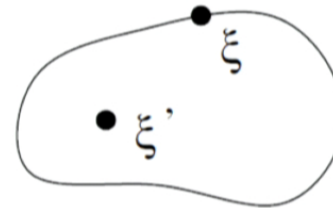
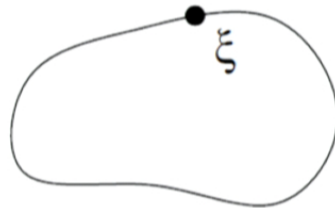


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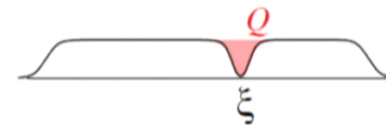
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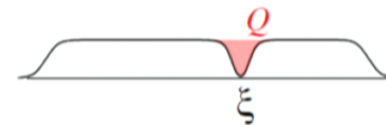
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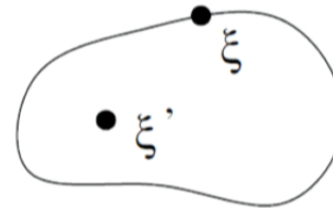
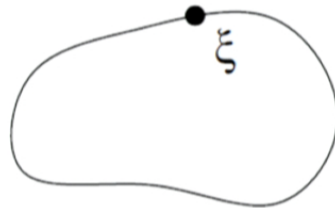


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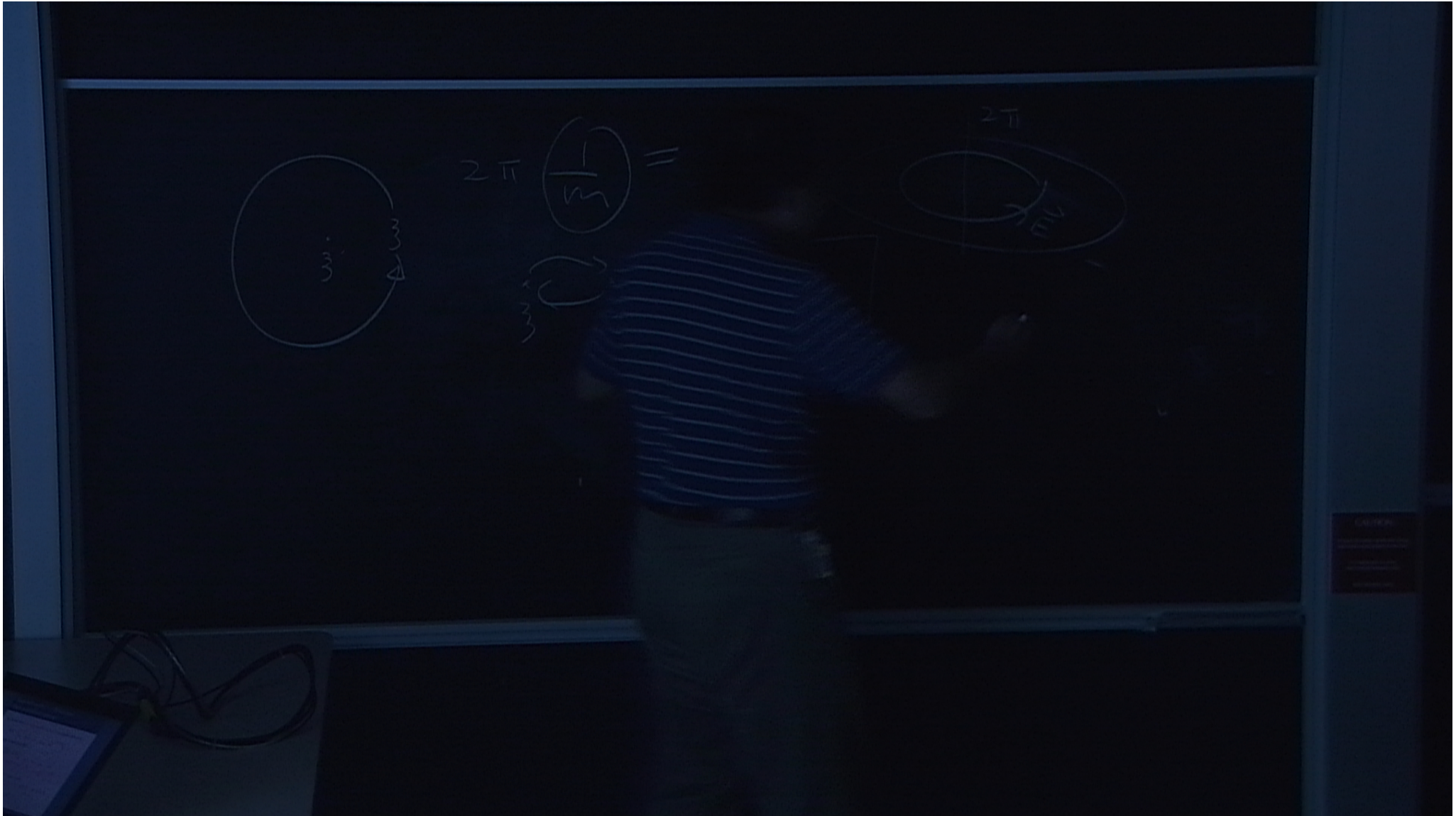
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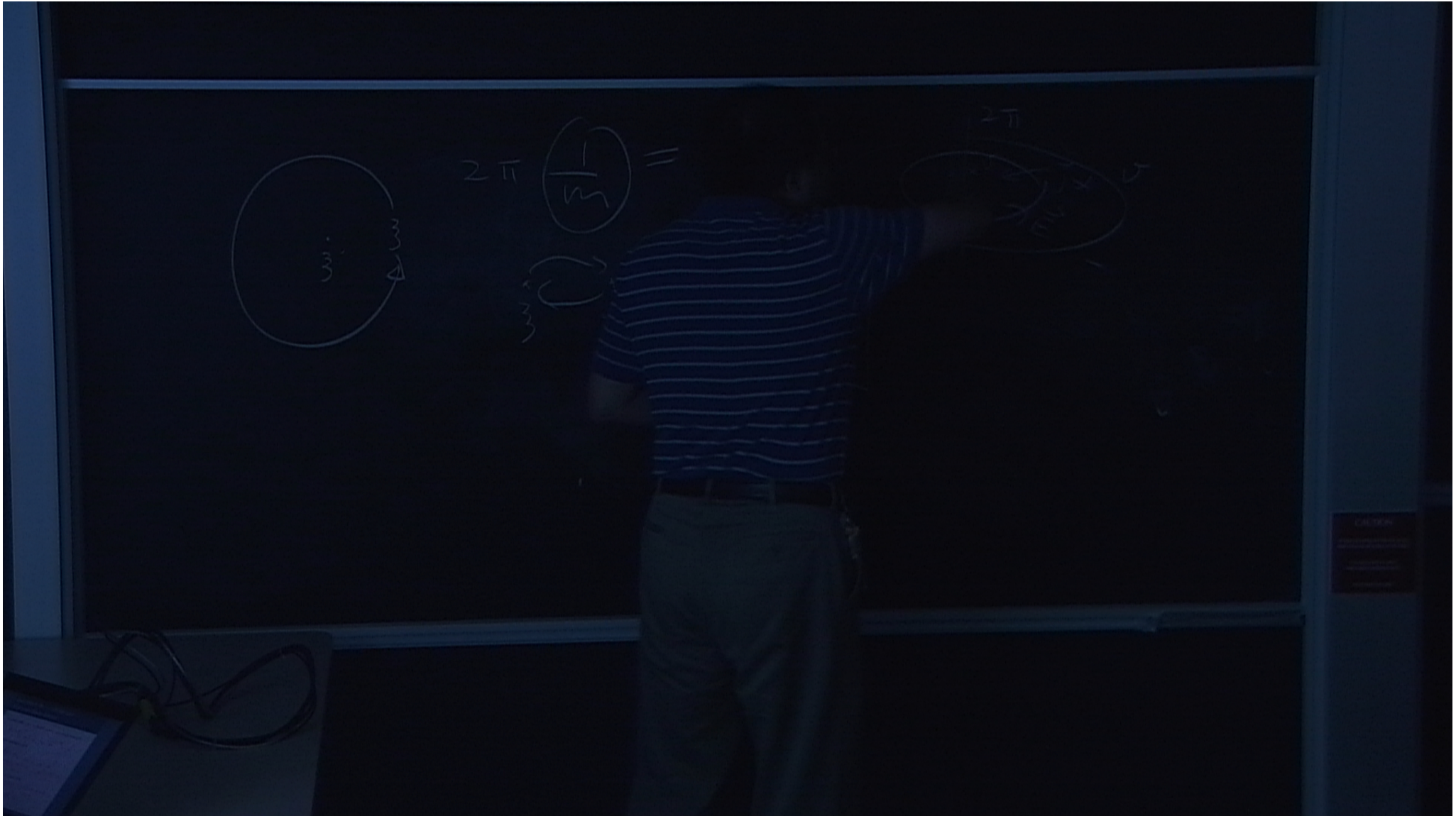
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