

Title: String Theory for Mathematicians - Lecture 2

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Abstract:

## A-model

$X$  sympl manifold

Branes  $L \subseteq X$  Lagrangian

Open-String States:

= Hom's in Fukaya cat.

$HF^*(L_1, L_2)$  Floer cohomology

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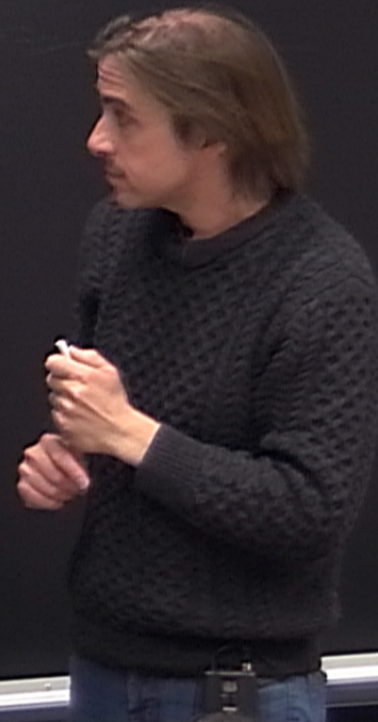
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Mixed string theory on

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B-model on  $Y$

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Open-string states (w/o  $\alpha'$  corrections)

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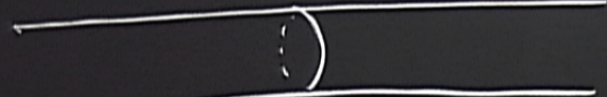
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$$C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^k \times \mathbb{C}^l) [dx_1, \dots, dx_k, d\bar{z}_1, \dots, d\bar{z}_l, \epsilon_{1\dots k}, \epsilon_{5-k-l}]$$

$$d = \sum dx_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} + \sum d\bar{z}_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}_i}$$

T-duality

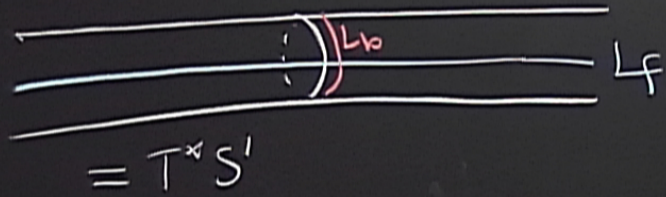
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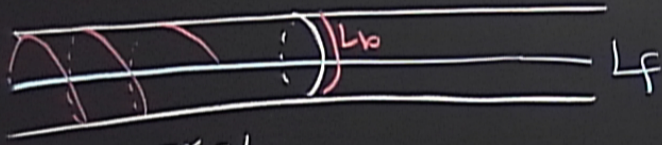
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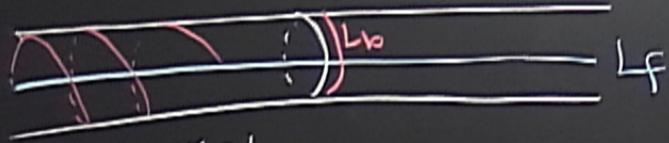
Ignoring  $\alpha'$  corrections,  
OS states for  $L_f$   
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Including  $\alpha'$  corrections,

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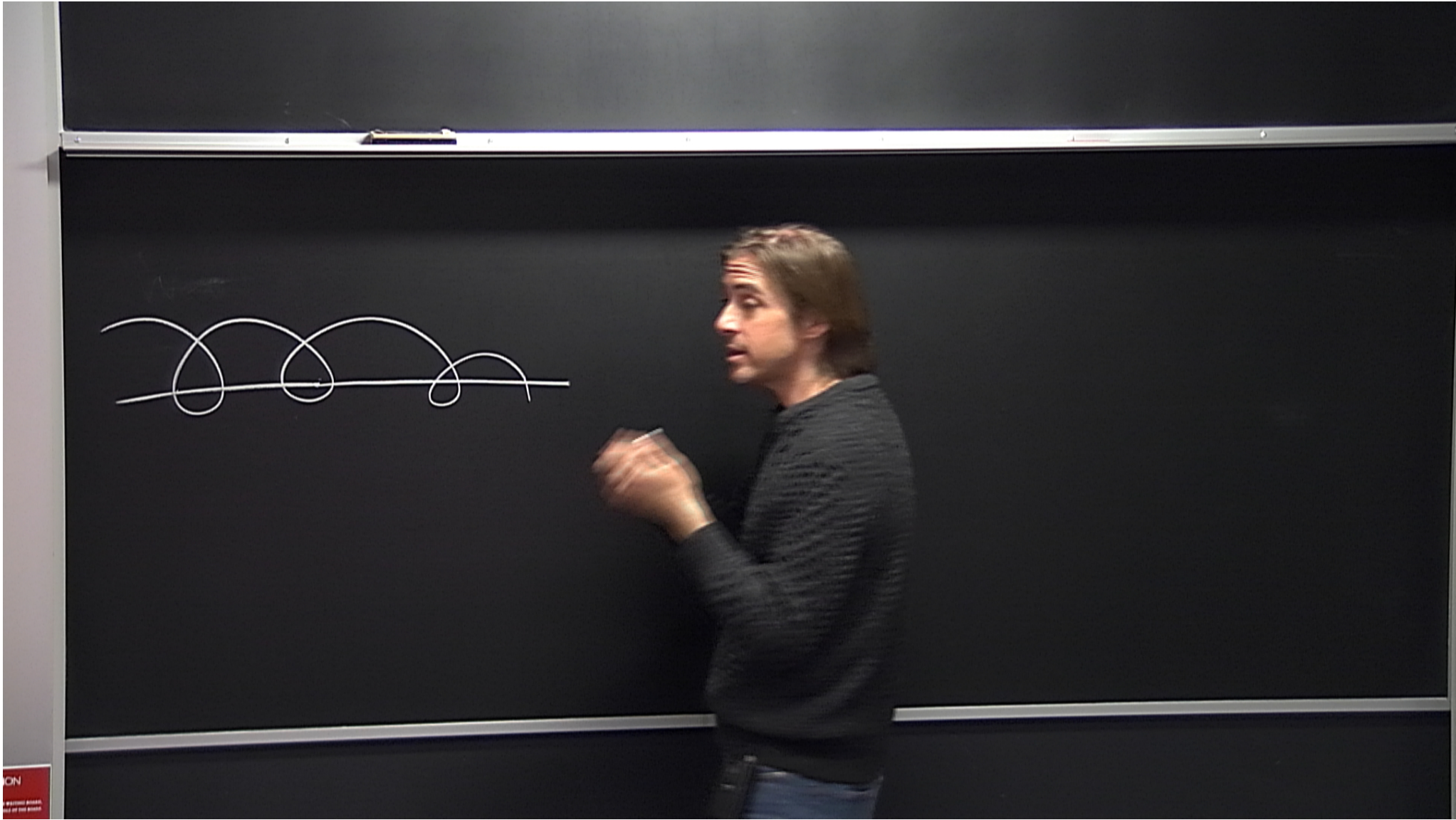
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Other brane

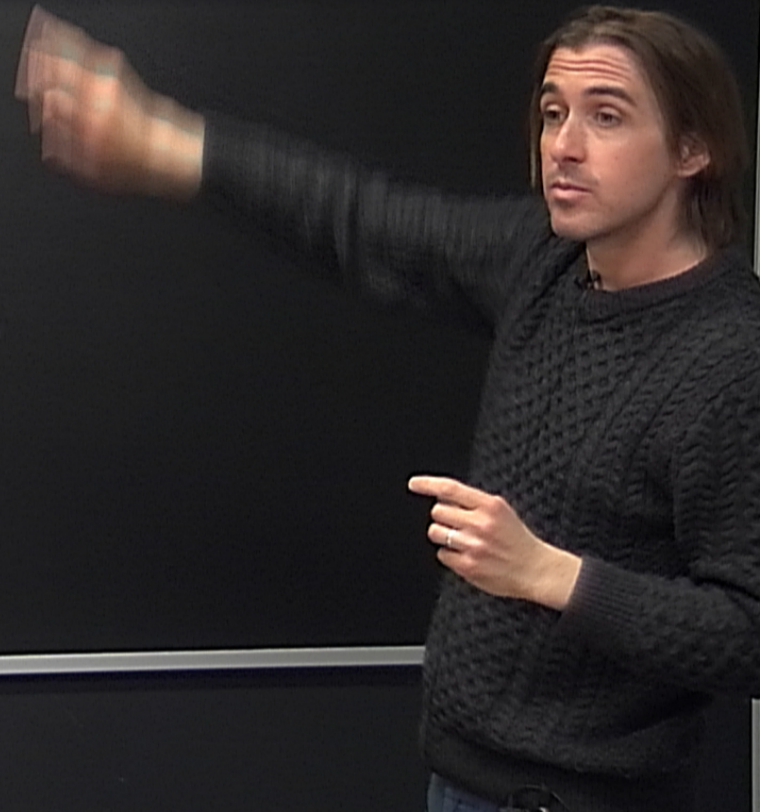
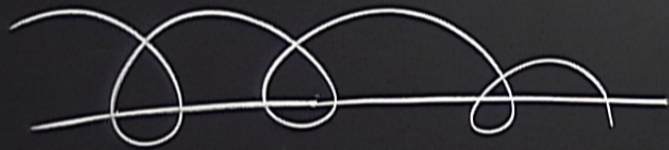
Naive picture is correct

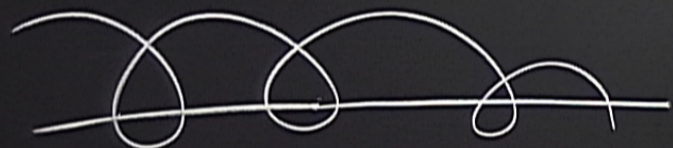
$$HF^*(L_b, L_b) = \Omega^*(L_b) \\ \simeq \Omega^*(S^1)$$



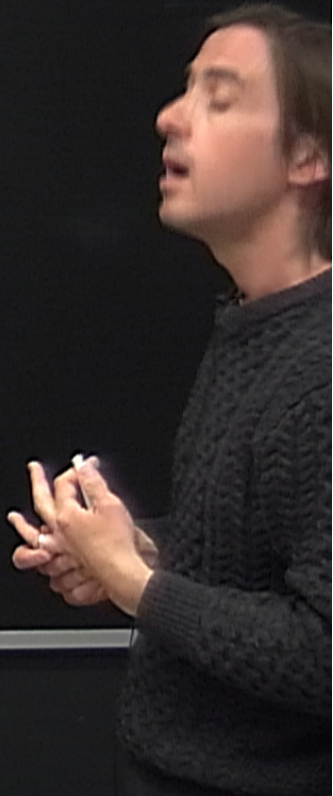


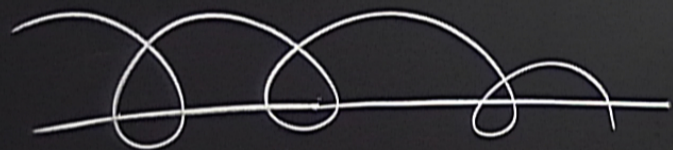
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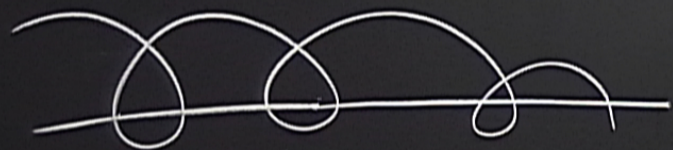
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↗ based loop space

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$$\text{Base} \Rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \text{ augmentation rep}$$



Also  
 $\text{Fuk}_{\omega}(T^*M)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_x S^1 &\simeq \mathbb{Z} \\ C_x \Omega_x S^1 &\simeq \mathbb{C}[z, z^{-1}] \end{aligned}$$

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Open-string states  
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these match.



Lift this to 10d

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Closed String Sector

A-model:  
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 $H^k(X)$   
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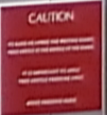
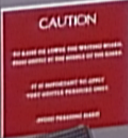
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(More fancy:  
 $SH^*(X)$ , symplectic cohomology)

$\mathbb{R}^k$  = B-model  
Closed-string

*[Faded handwritten notes on the right side of the chalkboard, including the word "manifold" and other illegible text.]*



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$R^k = \frac{B\text{-model}}{\text{Closed-string}}$

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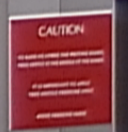
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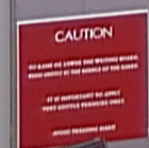
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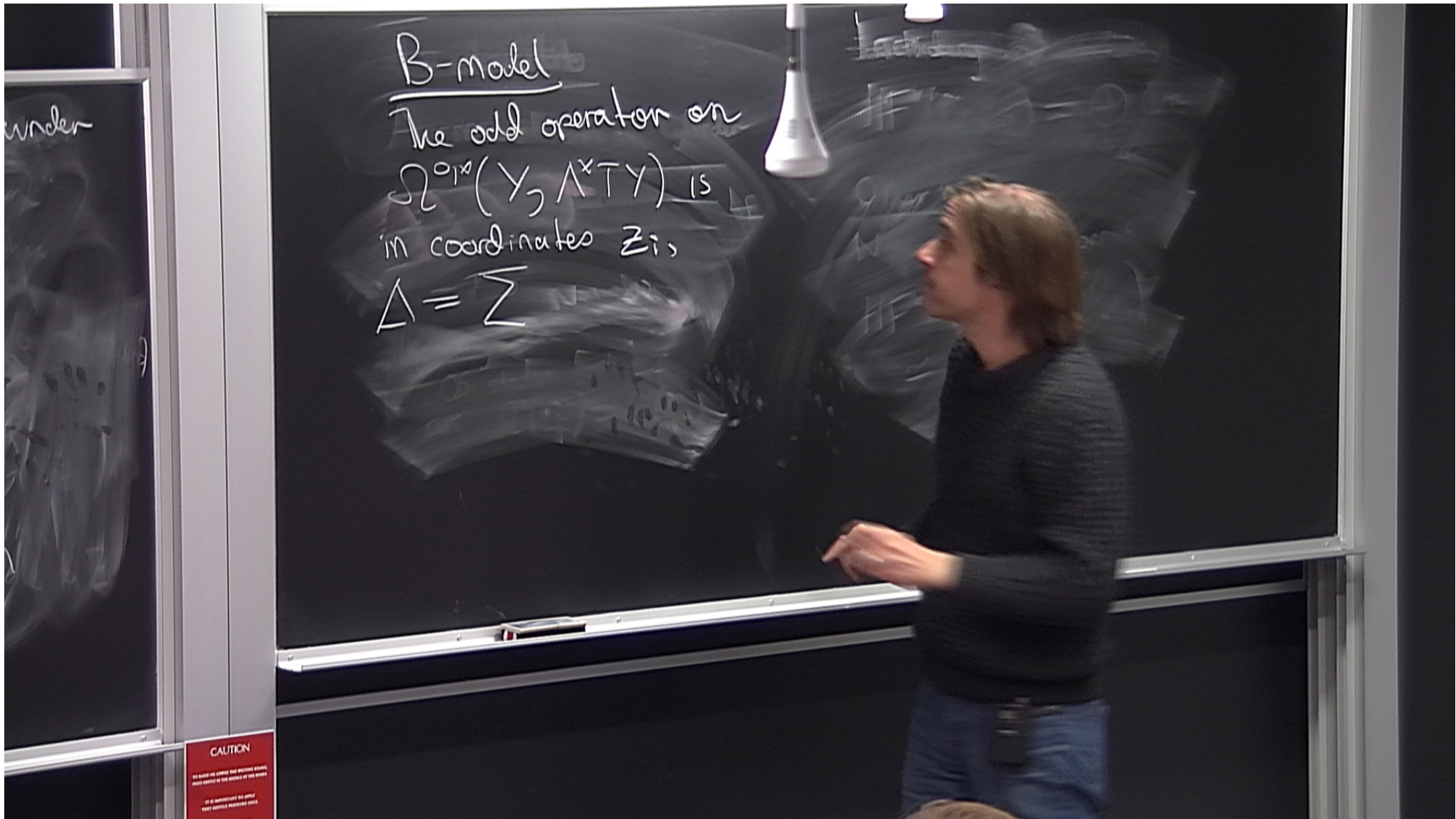
$$S^1 \times LM \rightarrow LM$$

$$H S^1 \otimes H.LM \rightarrow H.LM$$

$[S^1] \in H_1 S^1$  gives a map

$$H_k LM \rightarrow H_{k+1} LM$$

which is



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"Divergence"

$$\Delta^2 = 0$$



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$$\Delta(f z d\bar{z}) = z f'$$

$$X = T^*M \text{ (symplectic case)}$$
$$S^1(X) = H.L.M$$

If we send  $\varepsilon \rightarrow$





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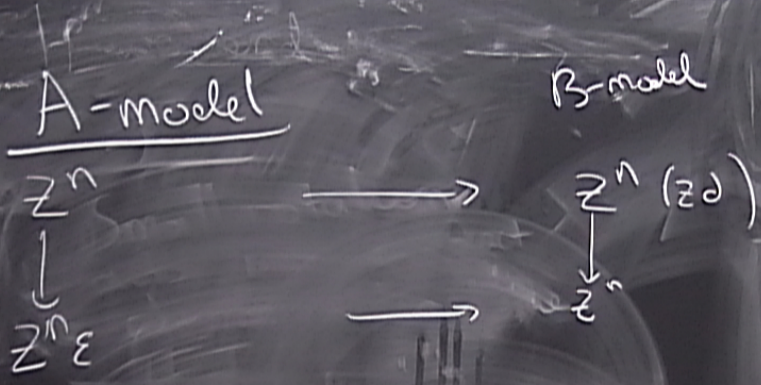
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$$Z^n \longrightarrow Z^n(z_0)$$

$$Z^n \varepsilon \longrightarrow Z^n$$

$$\begin{aligned}
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