# Localizing Romans SUGRA

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# Introduction

- Solving Einstein's equations is hard!
- But sometimes it is not necessary!
- Some AdS/CFT observables are just integrals over (sub-)spaces of spacetime.
- E.G. the on-shell action should give the large N index in field theory.  $I \sim \int_{M} \operatorname{vol}(M) \left( R + \dots \right)$
- Looks very dependent on knowing the metric.....

## Introduction

- Equivariant Localization gives a way to co Genolini, Gauntlett, Sparks]
- Rough Idea:

O Spacetime with a symmetry.

O Integrals only receive contributions from symmetry fixed points.

Obs =

Remarks:

- Don't need to know explicit solution.
- Result depends on topology.
- Uniform method for obtaining results.

• Equivariant Localization gives a way to compute these without knowing the metric! [Benetti-

$$= \int_{M} \Phi = \sum_{\text{f.p.}} \Phi_{0}$$

Equivariant Localization

# Equivariant Cohomology

- Interested in computing integrals over manifolds with a symmetry group.
- Consider a 2*n*-dimensional manifold without boundary.
- $\xi$  a Killing vector field:

$$\mathscr{L}_{\xi}g = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow$$

- Assume that it generates a U(1) isometry.
- We are interested in integrating forms,  $\Phi$  which satisfy



$$\nabla_{\mu}\xi_{\nu} + \nabla_{\nu}\xi_{\mu} = 0$$

 $\mathscr{L}_{\sharp}\Phi=0$ 

# Equivariant Cohomology

- We replace cohomology with equivariant cohomology.
- Exterior derivative replaced by twisted derivative

 $d \rightarrow c$ 

• Forms are replaced by poly-forms, these are just forms of mixed degree.

 $\Phi = \Phi_n +$ 

• In general  $d_{\xi}$  is not nilpotent:  $d_{\xi}^2 = - \mathcal{D}$ 

• Restrict to equivariant polyforms:  $\mathscr{L}_{\xi} \Phi = 0$ , then  $d_{\xi}$  is nilpotent.

$$\mathbf{d}_{\boldsymbol{\xi}} = \mathbf{d} - \boldsymbol{\xi} \lrcorner$$

$$\Phi_{n-2} + \ldots + \Phi_0$$

$$\mathscr{L}_{\xi}$$

# Equivariant Cohomology

- Can define  $\xi$ -equivariant de Rham cohomology.
- Equivariantly closed if  $d_{\xi}\Phi = 0$ .

$$\mathrm{d}\Phi_n = 0\,,\quad \xi \lrcorner \Phi_n = 0$$

- Equivariantly exact if  $\Phi = d_{\xi} \Psi$ .
- *n*'th  $\xi$ -equivariant cohomology group is

• For freely acting groups is ordinary cohomology on M/G.

 $d\Phi_{n-2}, \ldots \xi \Phi_2 = d\Phi_0$ 

 $H^n_{\xi}(M) = \frac{\ker(\mathbf{d}_{\xi}) | \bigwedge_{\xi}^n(M)}{\operatorname{Im}(\mathbf{d}_{\xi}) | \bigwedge_{\xi}^{n-1}(M)}$ 

# Equivariant Cohomlogy

• Equivariant integrals over M are defined as integrals over the top form of equivariantly closed form  $\Phi$ :

- Top form is closed but not exact.
- Can add an equivariantly exact poly-form without changing result. (Φ+
- Integrals depend only on the equivariant cohomology class.

$$\int_{M} \Phi \equiv \int_{M} \Phi_{2n}$$

$$d_{\xi}\Phi) = \int_{M}\Phi$$

# Equivariant integrals localise

• Integrals localise to fixed points of the symmetry.

$$M_{\xi} = \{x$$

- We are free to modify intervals by equivariantly exact pieces.  $\Phi =$
- Where  $\beta$  is some  $\xi$ -equivariant polyform:  $\mathscr{L}_{\xi}\beta = 0$ .
- Difference is equivariantly exact! Integrals are the same for all t.

 $\in M \left| \xi \right|_{r} = 0 \}$ 

$$\Phi_t \equiv \int_M \Phi e^{t d_{\xi} \beta}$$

 $\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t} \Phi_t = \Phi(\mathrm{d}_{\xi}\beta) \mathrm{e}^{t\mathrm{d}_{\xi}\beta} = \mathrm{d}_{\xi}(\beta \wedge \Phi_t)$ 

# Equivariant integrals localise

- For t = 0 we have the original integral, but we can evaluate for any t.
- If  $d_{\xi}\beta|_{0-\text{form}}$  is semi-negative definite with maximum equal to 0 and we take  $t \to \infty$  limit the integral localises to the minima.
- Take  $\beta = \eta \equiv g(\xi, \bullet)$  then we have:  $\int_{M} \Phi = \lim_{t \to \infty} \int_{M} \Phi e^{t d\eta} e^{-t |\xi|^2}$
- The  $e^{-t|\xi|^2}$  acts as a delta function onto  $M_{\xi}!$

$$= \lim_{t \to \infty} \int_{M} e^{-t|\xi|^2} \Phi \wedge \sum_{k} (t d\eta)^k \frac{1}{k!}$$

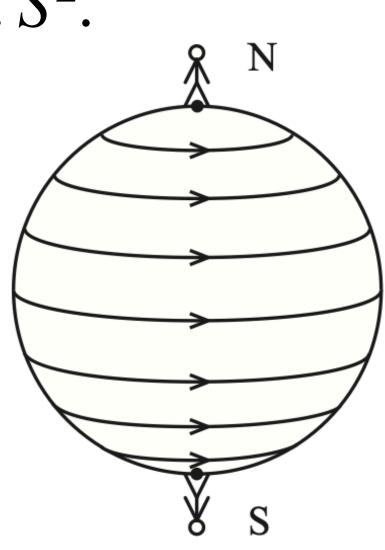
# Isolated fixed points

- Integrals localise, but how do we compute the contributions?
- Assume the localisation locus  $M_{\xi}$  is a set of fixed points:  $M_{\xi} = \{x_k\}$ . E.g.  $S^2$ .
- Zoom in near such a fixed point, *p* using Cartesian coordinates  $x_i = r_i \cos \phi_i$ ,  $y_i = r_i \sin \phi_i i \in \{1, ..., n\}$  with origin at *p*.
- Locally metric reads:

$$ds^{2} \simeq \sum_{i=1}^{n} (dx_{i}^{2} + dy_{i}^{2}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (dr_{i}^{2} + r_{i}^{2}d\phi_{i}^{2})$$

• Killing vector takes the form

$$\xi \simeq \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i^p \left( x_i \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} - y_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i^p \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi_i}$$



# Isolated fixed points

• The circle action generated by  $\xi$  acts on the *i*'th eigenspace as:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(b_i^p \phi_i) & \sin(b_i^p \phi_i) \\ -\sin(b_i^p \phi_i) & \cos(b_i^p \phi_i) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_i \\ y_i \end{pmatrix}$$

- Can also compute  $\eta$ , for us  $d_{\xi}\eta$  is locally given by:  $\mathbf{d}_{\xi} \eta \simeq \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_{i}^{p} \mathbf{d}(r_{i}^{\zeta})$ i=1
- Remains to plug all this into the integral for  $\Phi_t$ .

$$(a_i^2) \wedge \mathrm{d}\phi_i - \sum_{i=1}^n (b_i^p)^2 r_i^2$$

# Isolated fixed points

• The final result is:

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \int_{\mathcal{N}_p} \Phi_t = \lim_{t \to \infty} \Phi_0(p) \prod_{i=1}^n t b_i^p \int_0^{2\pi} \mathrm{d}\phi_i \int_0^\infty \mathrm{d}r_i^2 \mathrm{e}^{-t(b_i^p)^2 r_i^2}$$
  
• This is just a Gaussian integral!
$$\int_{N_p} \Phi = \Phi_0(p) \frac{(2\pi)^n}{\prod_{i=1}^n b_i^p}$$

• We now just add up all the contributions from fixed points!

# Beyond isolated fixed points

- One does not need to have just isolated fixed points.
- E.g. The Schwarzschild metric.

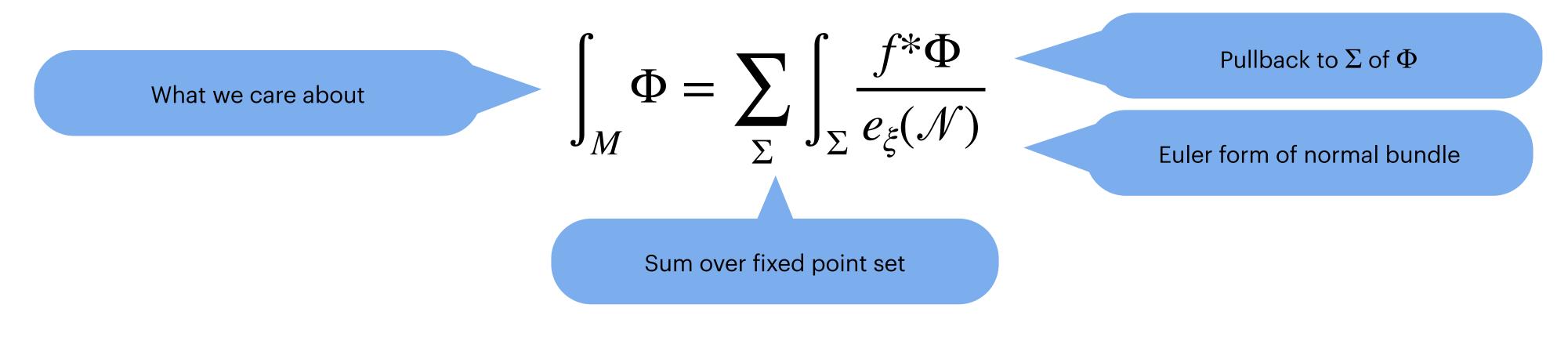
$$ds^{2} = -f(r)dt^{2} + f(r)^{-1}dr^{2} + r^{2}ds^{2}(S^{2})$$

- At the horizon  $f(r_h) = 0$  and it locally looks like  $ds^2 \simeq ds^2 (\mathbb{F}$
- The Killing vector  $\xi = \partial_t$  has a *bolt* at the horizon. A whole  $S^2$  is fixed by the action. • Need to take into account other fixed point loci.
- Can have fixed point sets of dimension 0,2,4,....

$$\mathbb{R}^{1,1}) + r_h^2 \mathrm{d}s^2(S^2)$$

# **BVAB theorem**

- Can apply a similar logic to work out these contributions, result is the
- **BVAB theorem**: [Berline, Vergne 82, Atiyah, Bott 84].



• This looks a bit scary but it is not.

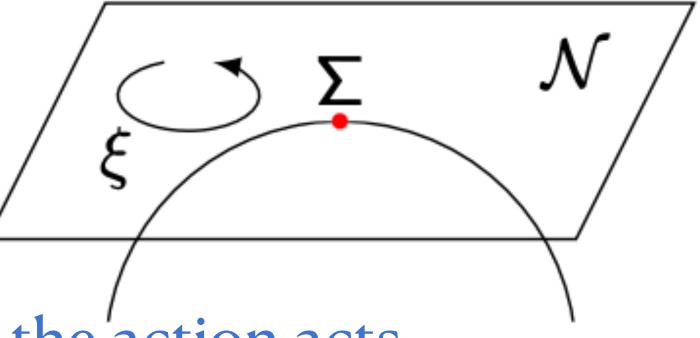
The integral of an equivariantly closed form localises to fixed points of symmetry.

# **BVAB** Theorem

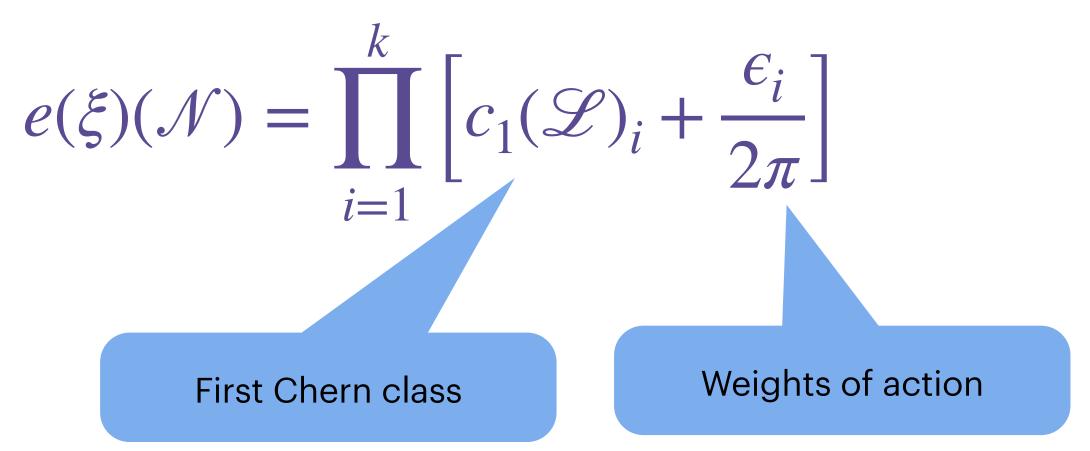
• What is a fixed point set?

• What is the normal bundle?

•  $e_{\xi}(\mathcal{N})$ ?



- Somewhere where the action acts trivially,  $\xi = 0$  there.
- Bundle of points normal to fixed point set:  $\mathcal{N} = \sum_{i=1}^{k} \mathscr{L}_i \cong \mathbb{R}^{2k}$
- The Euler class of the normal bundle.





### The full gory details:

$$\begin{split} \int_{M_{2n}} \Phi &= \sum_{\Sigma} \frac{(2\pi)^k}{\prod_{i=1}^k \epsilon_i} \int_{\Sigma} \frac{f^* \Phi}{\prod_{i=1}^k \left[1 + \frac{2\pi}{\epsilon_i} c_1(\mathscr{L}_i)\right]} \\ &= \sum_{\dim 0} \frac{1}{d_{F_0}} \frac{(2\pi)^n}{\epsilon_1 \dots \epsilon_n} \Phi_0 + \sum_{\dim 2} \frac{1}{d_{F_2}} \frac{(2\pi)^{n-1}}{\epsilon_1 \dots \epsilon_{n-1}} \int \left[ \Phi_2 - \Phi_0 \sum_{1 \le i \le n-1} \frac{2\pi}{\epsilon_i} c_1(\mathscr{L}_i) \right] \\ &+ \sum_{\dim 4} \frac{1}{d_{F_4}} \frac{(2\pi)^{n-2}}{\epsilon_1 \dots \epsilon_{n-2}} \int \left[ \Phi_4 - \Phi_2 \wedge \sum_{1 \le i \le n-2} \frac{2\pi}{\epsilon_i} c_1(\mathscr{L}_i) + \Phi_0 \sum_{1 \le i \le j \le n-2} \frac{(2\pi)^2}{\epsilon_i \epsilon_j} c_1(\mathscr{L}_i) \wedge c_1(\mathscr{L}_j) \right] \end{split}$$

BVAB





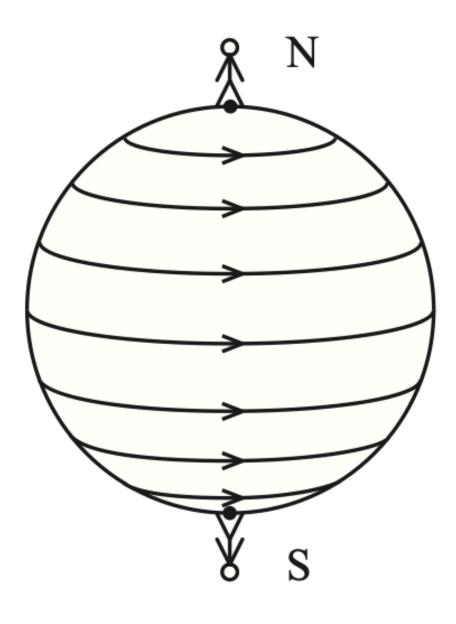


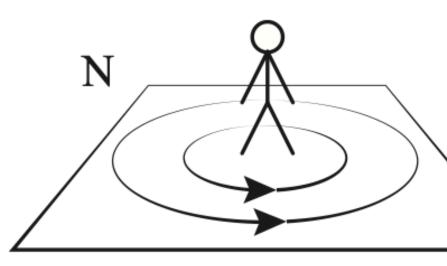
# S<sup>2</sup> example

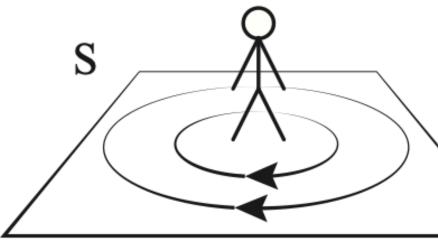
- $ds^2 = d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2$
- Vol =  $\int_{S^2} \sin\theta d\theta \wedge d\phi \equiv \int_{S^2} \Phi$
- $\xi = \partial_{\phi}$ . Need polyform:
- $\xi \Box \Phi_2 = d\Phi_0 = d\cos\theta$ .
- Two fixed points at poles of sphere.

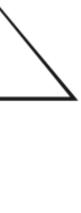
• Vol = 
$$\frac{2\pi}{\epsilon_N} \Phi_0 |_N + \frac{2\pi}{\epsilon_S} \Phi_0 |_S$$
  
=  $2\pi (\cos(0) - \cos(\pi)) = 4\pi$ 

### This is cheating a bit, we know the metric. This is a problem with the example.













- Consider the metric  $ds^2 = d\zeta^2 + \frac{1}{\Lambda} \sin^2 \zeta \cos^2 \zeta (d\psi +$
- Choice of Killing vector  $\xi = b_1 \partial_{\psi} + b_2 \partial_{\phi}$ . Different types of fixed point sets!
- For  $\partial_{\psi}$  fixed point at  $\zeta = 0$  and bolt at  $\zeta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ .
- For  $\partial_{\phi}$ , 3 fixed points at ( $\zeta = 0$ ), ( $\zeta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ ,  $\theta = 0$ ) and ( $\zeta = \frac{\pi}{2}$ ,  $\theta = \pi$ ).
- Polyforms different and different types of fixed point locus but give same results!

# CP<sup>2</sup> Example

$$\cos\theta d\phi)^2 + \frac{1}{4}\sin^2\zeta(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2)$$



# (Useful) Applications

# Romans SUGRA

# **Euclidean Romans SUGRA**

- 6d gauged supergravity theory.
- Bosonic content: metric, dilaton X, SU(2) gauge fields + 2-form potential.
- Preserve supersymmetry, need to solve Killing spinor equations  $\nabla_{\mu} \epsilon + \ldots = 0$ .
- Places constraints on metric and fields. "Torsion conditions" from spinor bilinears:  $P = -\bar{\epsilon}\gamma_7\epsilon$ . [Alday, Fluder, Gregory, Richmond, Sparks]
- Implies existence of a Killing vector  $\xi$  + conditions like d(XP) =  $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\xi_{\perp}F$ . • Construct Polyforms using torsion conditions, e.g.  $\Phi^F = F - \sqrt{2}XP$ .

# Fixed points

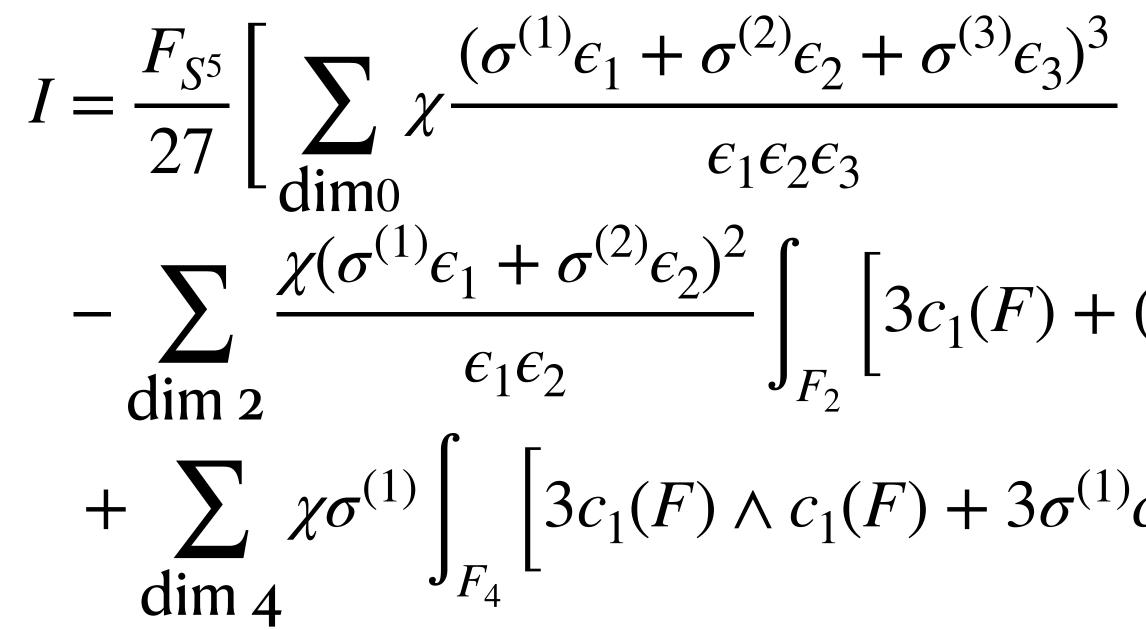
• What are the possible fixed points?

- Even dimensional sub manifolds of  $M_6$  $F = F_0 \cup F_2 \cup F_4$ • On fixed point set the Killing spinor is chiral!  $\epsilon|_F = \epsilon_{\pm}$ .
- In fact it is stronger:

$$-i\gamma^{(2i-1)(2i)}\epsilon$$

 $F = \{\xi = 0\} \subset M_6$ 

 $=\sigma^{(i)}\epsilon, \ \sigma^{(i)}=\pm 1$ 



• 
$$\sigma^{(1)}\sigma^{(2)}\sigma^{(3)} = \chi$$

- The on-shell action for *any* solution is given by the above!
- Need to specify the weights,  $\sigma$ 's and  $c_1(L)$ 's.

# Master formula

$$+ (\sigma^{(1)}\epsilon_1 + \sigma^{(2)}\epsilon_2) \left(\frac{c_1(L_1)}{\epsilon_1} + \frac{c_1(L_2)}{\epsilon_2}\right) \Big]$$

$$^{(1)}c_1(F) \wedge c_1(L_1) + c_1(L_1) \wedge c_1(L_1) \Big]$$

# Some technical stuff

• There are also conditions for the spinor to be well defined that one needs to impose. For two-dim fixed point set

$$\int_{\Sigma_g} c_1(F) = \sigma^{(1)} \int_{\Sigma_g} c_1(L_1) + \sigma^{(2)} \int_{\Sigma_g} c_1(L_2) - \sigma^{(3)} \chi(\Sigma_g)$$

- Similar condition for four-dim fixed point set but more complicated.

$$2\eta\chi(B_4) + 3\tau(B_4) = \int_{B_4} \left(\sigma^{(1)}c_1(L_1) + c_1(F)\right)^2$$

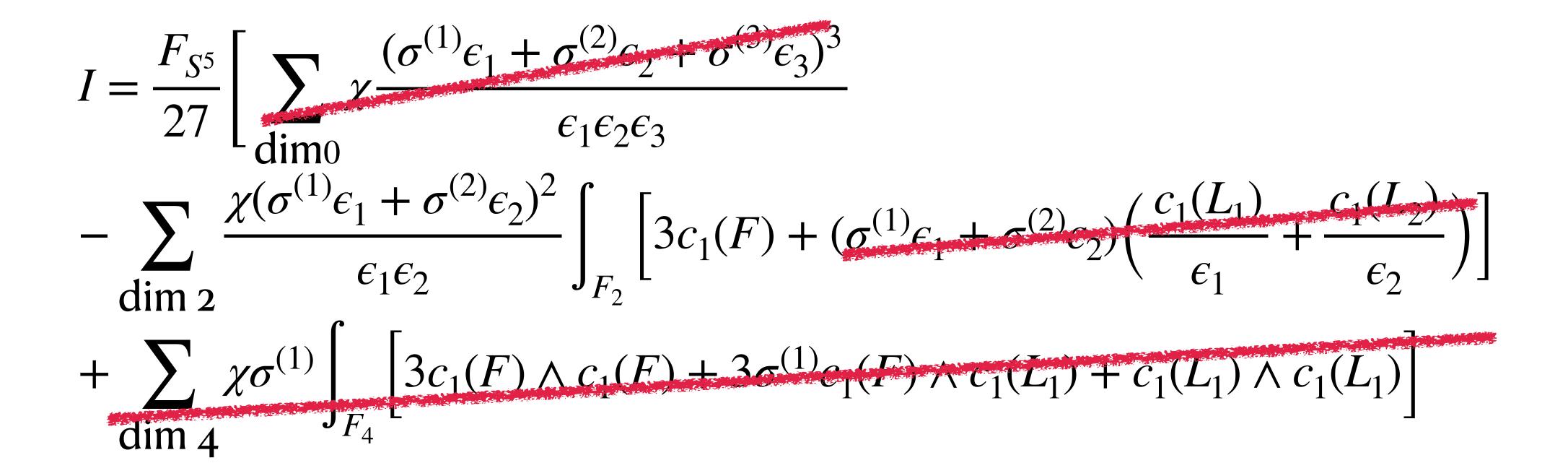
need information about magnetic charges.

Imposes the type of twist to preserve supersymmetry e.g a "topological twist".

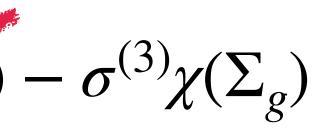
Plug into on-shell action. For dim o and dim 2 purely topological result. For dim 4

### Example 1 **5d SCFTs on a Riemann surface**

- Take  $M_6 = \mathbb{R}^4 \times \Sigma_g$ .
- Conformal boundary is  $S_b^3 \times \Sigma_g$ .
- Plug everything in!
- Dual to twisted compactification of 5d SCFTs on  $\Sigma_{g}$ , placed on squashed  $S_{h}^{3}$ . • Write  $\mathbb{R}^4 = \mathbb{R}^2 \oplus \mathbb{R}^2$  with  $\partial_{\phi_i}$  rotating the two copies, take  $c_1(L_i) = 0$ . • Take  $\xi = b_1 \partial_{\phi_1} + b_2 \partial_{\phi_2}$ . Fixed point set:  $F_2 = \Sigma_g$  at centre of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .



$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{i} &= b_{i} \\ \int_{\Sigma_{g}} c_{1}(F) &= \sigma^{(1)} \int_{\Sigma_{g}} c_{1}(L_{1}) + \sigma^{(2)} \int_{\Sigma_{g}} c_{1}(L_{2}) \end{aligned}$$



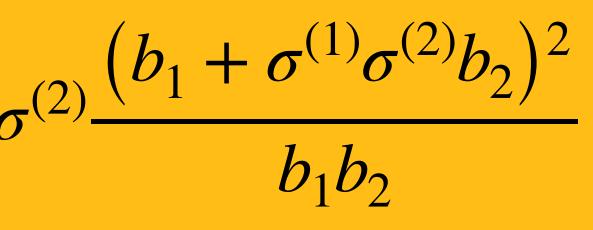


### **5d SCFTs on a Riemann surface**

$$I = \frac{F_{S^5}}{9} \chi(\Sigma_g) \sigma^{(1)} \sigma^{$$

- Matches field theory results!
- Easy in the end, just plugging things into the mater formula.
- No solving equations of motion!

# Example 1

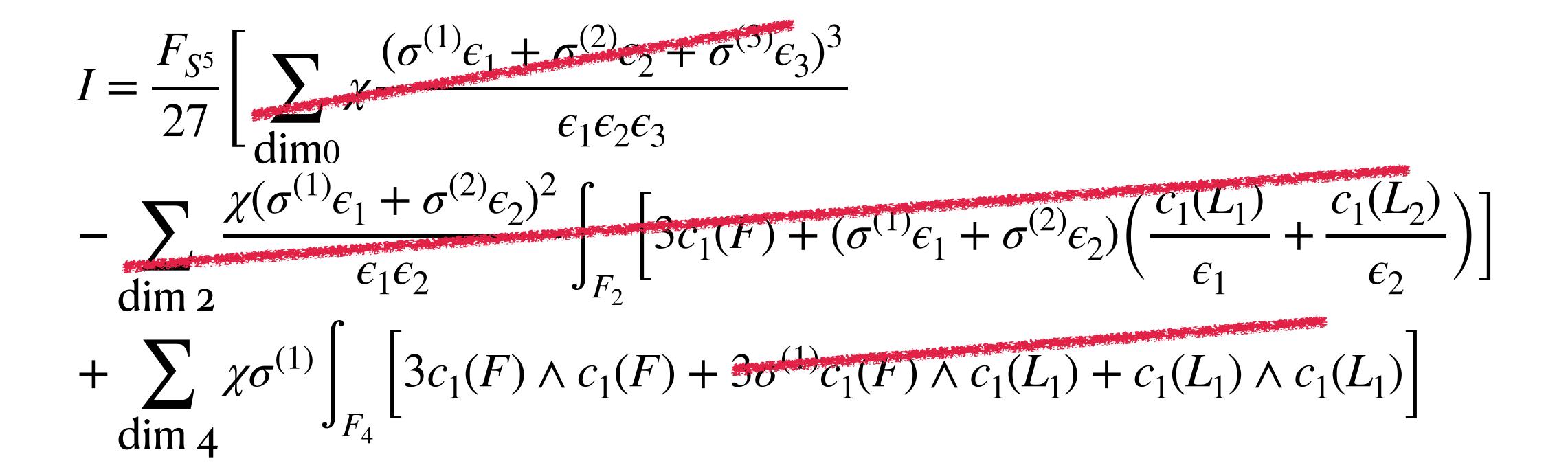




- $M_6 = \mathbb{R}^2 \times B_4$  "Schwarzschild like solution" a.k.a Black Saddle
- Conformal boundary is  $S^1 \times B_4$ .
- Dual to 5d SCFT on  $B_4$ .
- $\xi = b\partial_{\phi}$  with  $\partial_{\phi}$  rotating  $\mathbb{R}^2$
- Fixed point set  $F = B_4$  at centre of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Set  $c_1(L) = 0$  again.

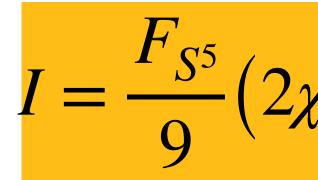
Plug everything in!

## Example 2 **Black saddle**



$$2\eta\chi(B_4) + 3\tau(B_4) = \int_{B_4} \left(\sigma^{(1)}c_1(L_1) + c_1(L_1)\right) dt = 0$$

 $(F))^{2}$ 



- For any choice of  $B_4$ . Result is purely topological!
- Result not noticed before.
- To compare with literature let  $B_4 = \Sigma_g$
- $\tau(\Sigma_{g_1} \times \Sigma_{g_2}) = 0$  and  $\chi(\Sigma_{g_1} \times \Sigma_{g_2}) = \chi($  $I = \frac{8F_{S^5}}{2}(1 - g_1)(1 - g_2)$

## Example 2 **Black saddle**

$$\chi(B_4) + 3\eta\tau(B_4)\Big)$$

$$_{g_1} \times \Sigma_{g_2}.$$

$$(\Sigma_{g_1})\chi(\Sigma_{g_2})$$

- Chemical potential for angular momentum.

• 
$$\xi = b_1 \partial_{\phi_1} + b_2 \partial_{\phi_2} + b \partial_{\psi}$$

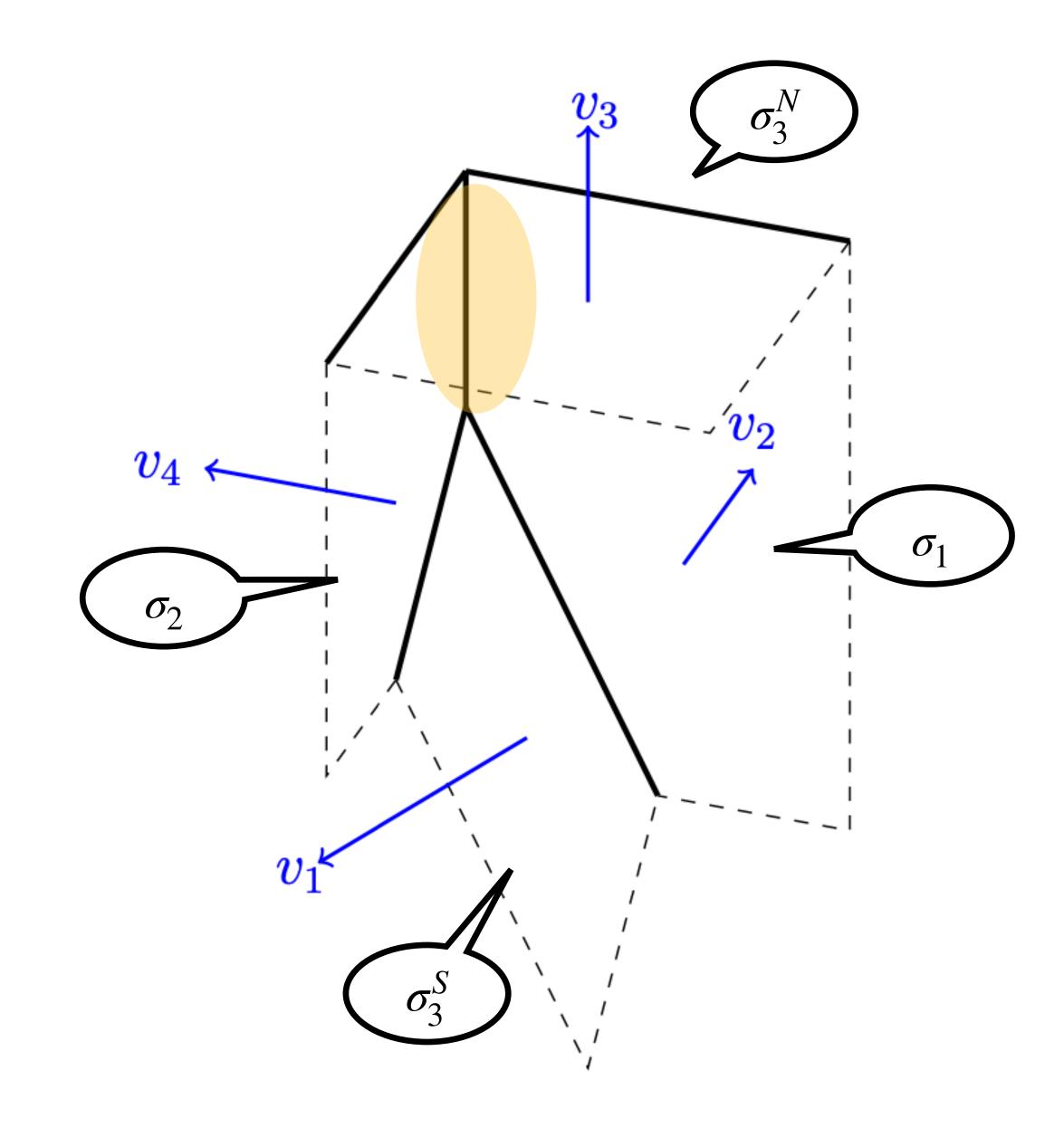
- Fixed point set at centre of each  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and poles of  $S^2 \Rightarrow 2$  fixed points.  $\bullet \quad \int_{\Omega^2} c_1(L_i) = -p_i$
- Weights a bit more difficult now but easy to compute with toric geometry.

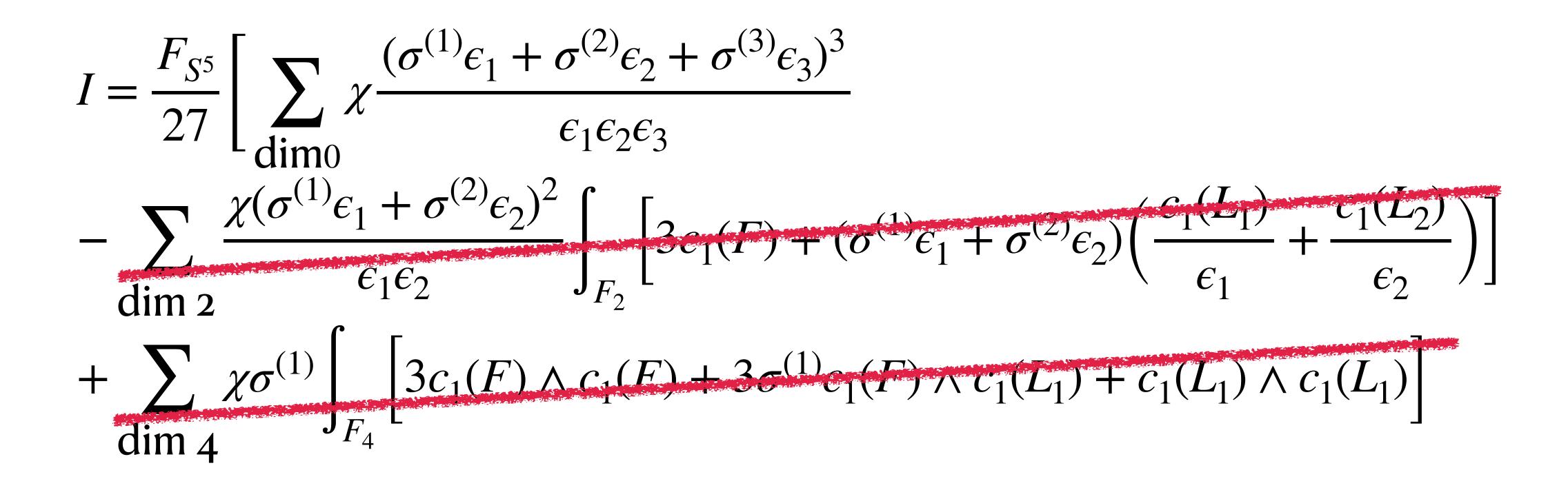
# **Example 3** $\mathcal{O}(-p_1) \oplus \mathcal{O}(-p_2) \to S^2$

•  $\mathcal{O}(-p)$  is fancy for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  plus  $d\phi \to d\phi + A$  with magnetic charge -p for A over  $S^2$ .

# Some toric geometry

- Toric diagram for  $\mathcal{O}(-p_1) \oplus \mathcal{O}(-p_2) \to S^2$
- Faces label where a circle shrinks.
- Each face has an associated vector
- Also associated to each face the sign  $\sigma$ .
- The  $S^2$  is in orange.
- $v_2$ ,  $v_4$  are the vectors for the  $\mathcal{O}(-p_i)$  factors.





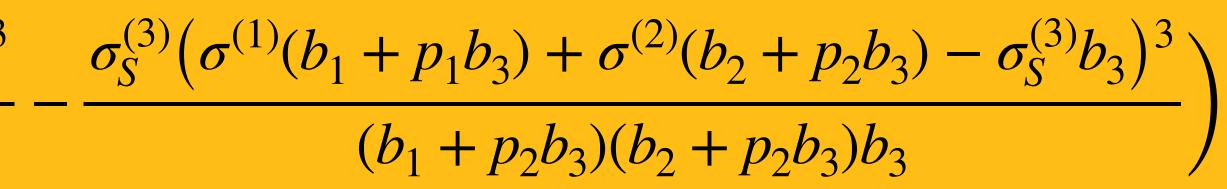
$$\{\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \epsilon_3\} = \begin{cases} \{b_1, b_2, b_3\} \\ \{b_1 + p_1 b_3, b_2 + p_2 b_3, \end{cases}$$

North pole  $-b_3$  South pole

$$I = \frac{F_{S^5}}{27} \sigma^{(1)} \sigma^{(2)} \left( \frac{\sigma_N^{(3)} (\sigma^{(1)} b_1 + \sigma^{(2)} b_2 + \sigma_N^{(3)} b_3)^2}{b_1 b_2 b_3} \right)^2$$

- Completely new result! No SUGRA solution nor field theory results!
- Has the form of gravitational blocks, like holomorphic blocks from SUSY localisation.
- "Twist" or "anti-twist" depending on whether  $\sigma_N^{(3)} = \pm \sigma_S^{(3)}$ .
- Reduces to Example 1 for  $p_i = 0$ ,  $b_3 = 0$ , g = 2.

## Example 3 $\mathcal{O}(-p_1) \oplus \mathcal{O}(-p_2) \to S^2$





# Conclusion

- observables.
- Only requires an isometry to apply, for SUSY solutions this is often present (R-sym). • Applied to Romans SUGRA, recovered old results and found new predictions.
- Hidden subtleties: Existence of actual solutions? Odd-dim works slightly different (need 2 U(1)'s). SUSY needed to construct polyforms.
- Many ways to extend: Higher derivative corrections, different matter content, boundaries, exact matches with field theory?

• Equivariant localisation gives a powerful method for computing certain holographic

Thank you!

# $\mathbb{CP}^2$ more details

• For  $\partial_{\psi}$  the polyform is:

$$\Phi = \operatorname{vol}(\mathbb{CP}^2) - \frac{1}{8}\sin^3\zeta\cos\zeta d\zeta \wedge D\psi + \frac{\sin^4\zeta + c}{32}$$

- Here *c* is an arbitrary constant, it will drop out!
- Fixed point has weights:  $b_1 = b_2 = \frac{1}{2}$
- Bolt has weights:  $b_1 = \frac{1}{2}$ .

$$Vol = \frac{(2\pi)^2}{(1/2)^2} (\Phi_0|_{\zeta = \frac{\pi}{2}}) + \frac{\pi}{2}$$
$$= \frac{\pi^2}{2}$$

 $\frac{2\pi}{1/2} \left( \int_{S^2} \Phi_2 - \Phi_0 |_{\zeta=0} \int_{S^2} c_1(\mathscr{L}) \right)$ 

