

Anomalous transport: from the quark gluon plasma to Weyl semi-metals on a superstring

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Outline

- Quark Gluon Plasma
- Flash review: AdS/CFT
- Anomalous transport model in AdS/CFT
- Map to Weyl semi-metals
- Conclusions

Quark gluon plasma

[Please click here for movie on RHICs hot quark soup](#)

Quark gluon plasma

- QCD - confined quarks and gluons
- High T (or p): de-confinement and plasma phase
- Smash nucleons against each other (RHIC, LHC)
- Lowest specific viscosity known!
- Charge separation effect observed
- Possible explanation: Chiral magnetic effect
- $T \sim 3T_c$: deconfined but strongly coupled

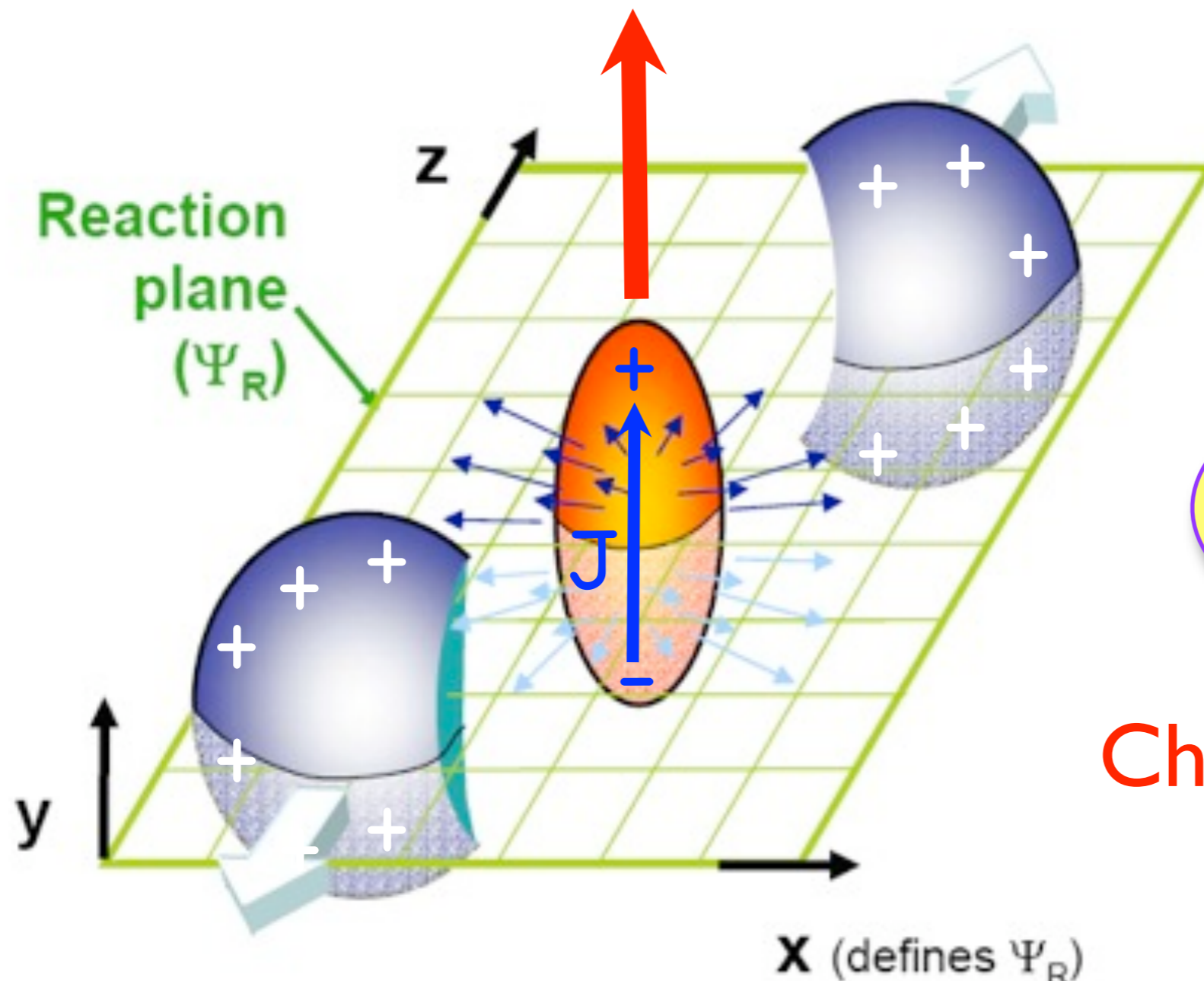
Quark gluon plasma

strongest **Magnetic field** in the Universe

$10^{15} \text{ T}!!!$

(QHE: 10 T)

($T \sim 10^{12} \text{ K}$)

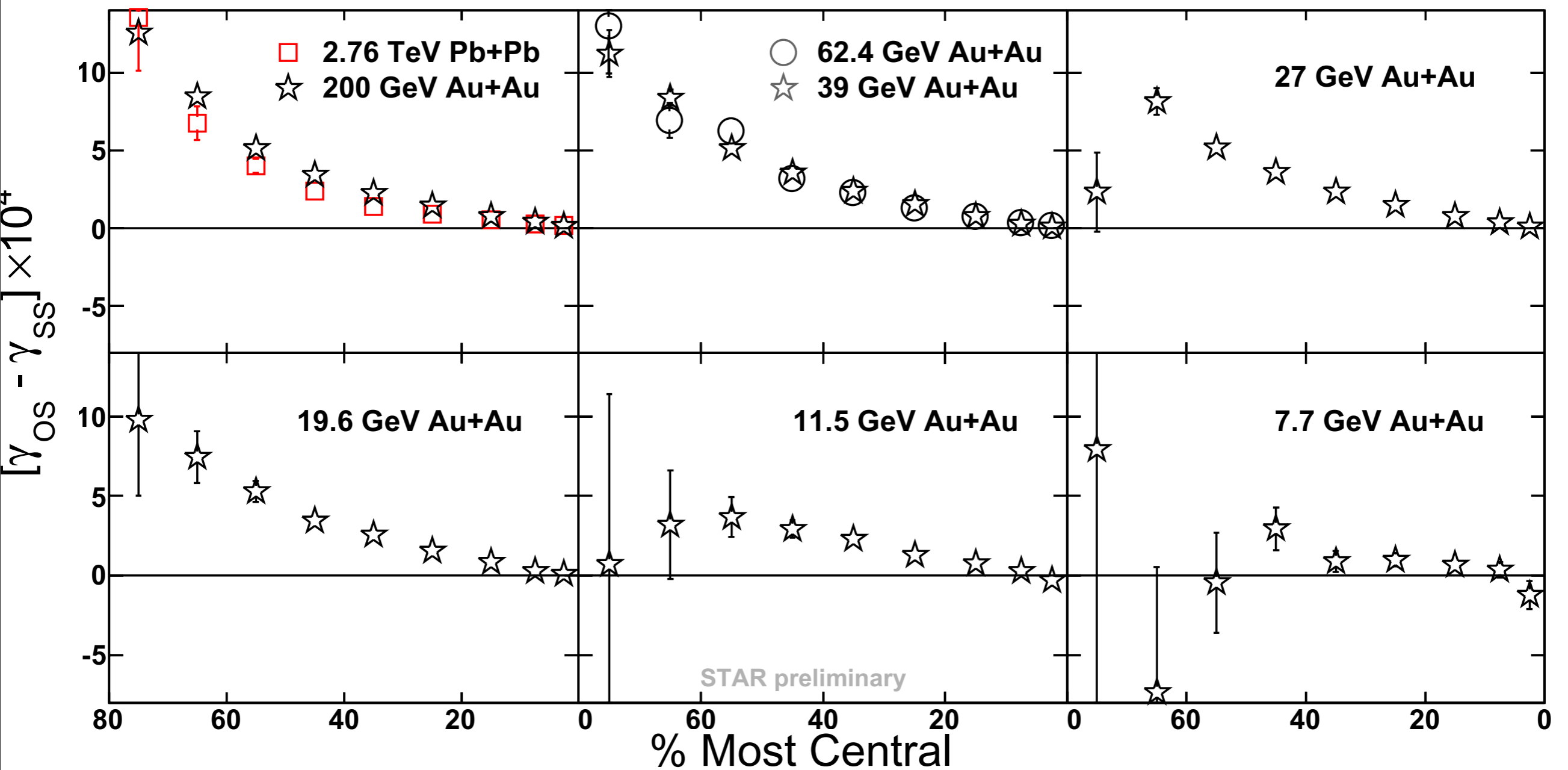


$$\vec{J} = \frac{\mu_5}{2\pi^2} \vec{B}$$

Chiral Magnetic Effect

[Fukushima, Kharzeev, McLarren]
[Fukushima, Kharzeev, Warringa]

Quark gluon plasma



Quark gluon plasma

- Strongly coupled QCD is difficult
- In need of strongly coupled toy model
- Comes in: AdS/CFT correspondence
- Partially nice results: $\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{\hbar}{4\pi k_B}$
- Understand CME+relatives in AdS/CFT model

AdS/CFT

Moral support:

“... if the gravitational field didn't exist, one could invent it for the purposes of this paper..”

“Theory of Thermal Transport Coefficients”

Luttinger Phys. Rev. 135, A1505, (1964)

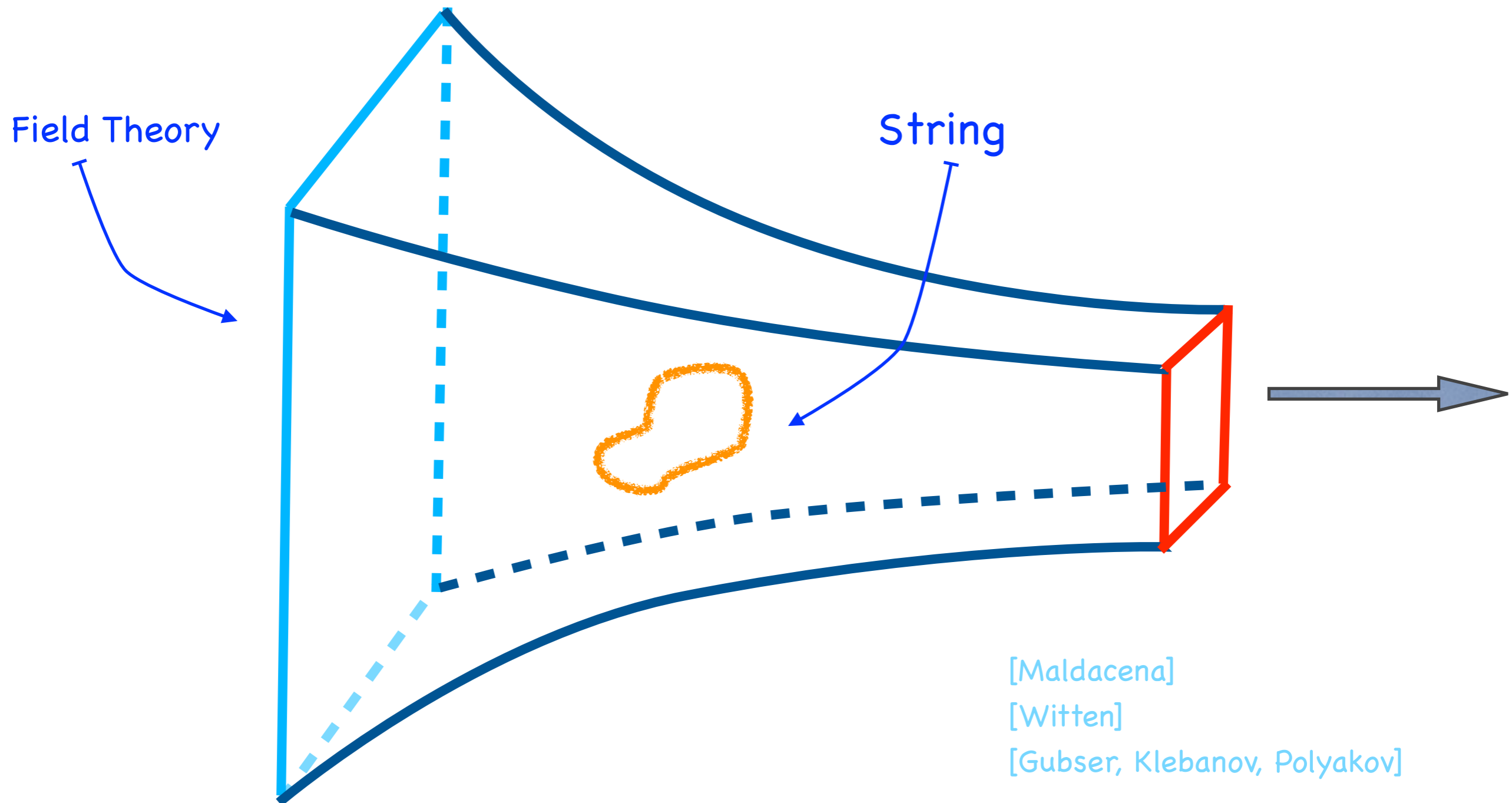
AdS/CFT

“... if the string theory didn't exist, one could invent it for the purposes of computing transport coefficients in strongly coupled theories...”

- Shear viscosity in QGP
- Relativistic 2nd order hydrodynamics
- Relativistic superfluids
- Parity odd
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AdS/CFT

$$ds^2 = \frac{r^2}{L^2} (dt^2 + d\vec{x}^2) + \frac{L^2 dr^2}{r^2}$$



AdS/CFT

$$\int_{\Phi|_{\partial}=\Phi_0} D\Phi e^{iS[\Phi]} = e^{iZ[\Phi_0]}$$

$$\frac{\delta^n Z[\Phi_0]}{\delta\Phi_1(x_1) \cdots \delta\Phi_n(x_n)} = \langle O_1(x_1) \cdots O_n(x_n) \rangle$$

Path integral (string theory) on AdS is hard. In practice resort to semi classical limit:

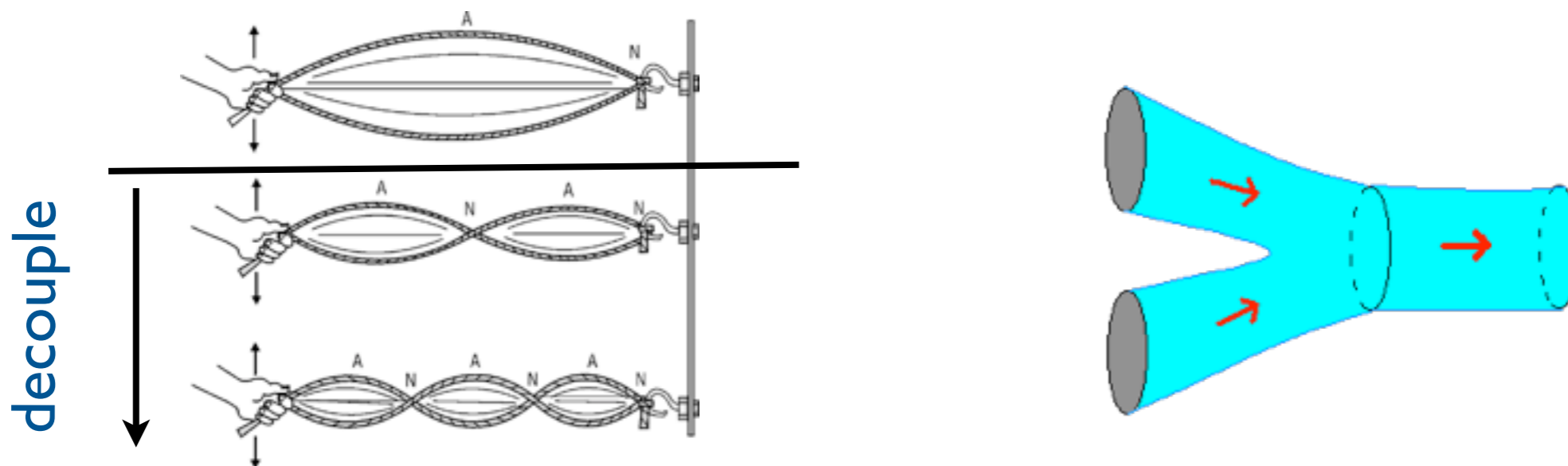
$$S_{grav}[\Phi_0] = Z[\Phi_0]$$

AdS/CFT

- N=4 SYM best understood example: $\{A_\mu, \Psi_\alpha^a, \phi^I\}$
- All (4-d) fields are NxN matrices (adjoint rep)
- N=4 SYM is equivalent to IIB string theory on $AdS_5 \times S^5$

$$g_{YM}^2 N = \frac{R^4}{\alpha'^2} \quad \frac{1}{N} \propto g_s$$

- semiclassical gravity limit = large N, large coupling



AdS/CFT

Dictionary

AdS

five dimensional
strongly coupled
gravity
metric
gauge field
...

Field Theory

four dimensional
weakly coupled
no gravity
energy momentum tensor
current
...

Anomalous transport

- Chiral fermion: $\mathcal{H} = \pm \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}$
- Classical U(1) symmetry broken by quantum effects

$$\partial_{\mu} J^{\mu} = c \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\lambda} F_{\mu\nu} F_{\rho\lambda}$$

- Model anomaly in 4D via Chern-Simons term in 5D

$$S_{CS} = \int d^5x \epsilon^{MNPQR} A_M F_{NP} F_{QR}$$

- Gauge invariant up to boundary term = Anomaly (cfg. QHE)

$$\delta S_{CS} = \int_{\partial} d^4x \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\lambda} \lambda F_{\mu\nu} F_{\rho\lambda}$$

Anomalous transport

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charged black hole in AdS



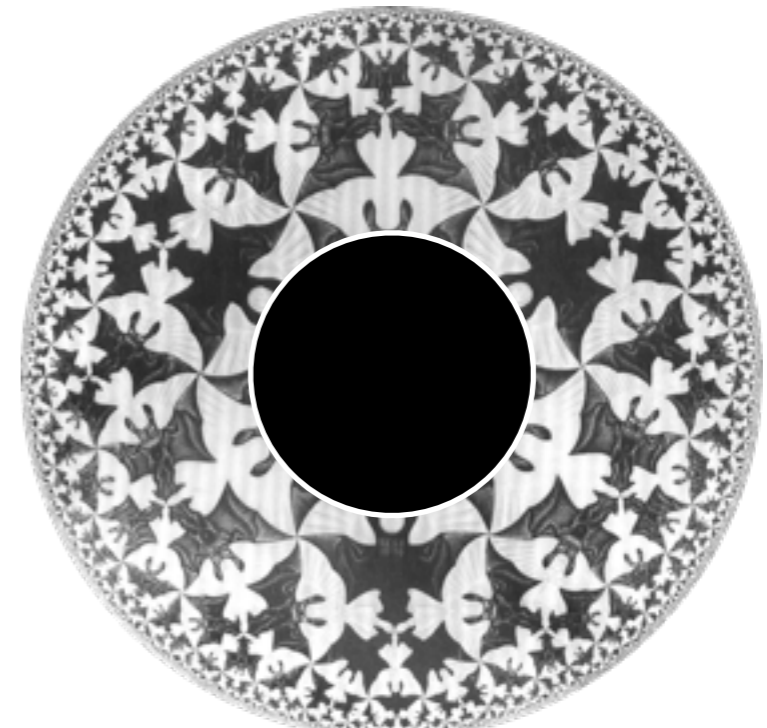
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- Compute response to magnetic field and rotation

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μ = chemical potential

μ_5 = axial chemical potential

T = temperature

A_0^5 = axial gauge field

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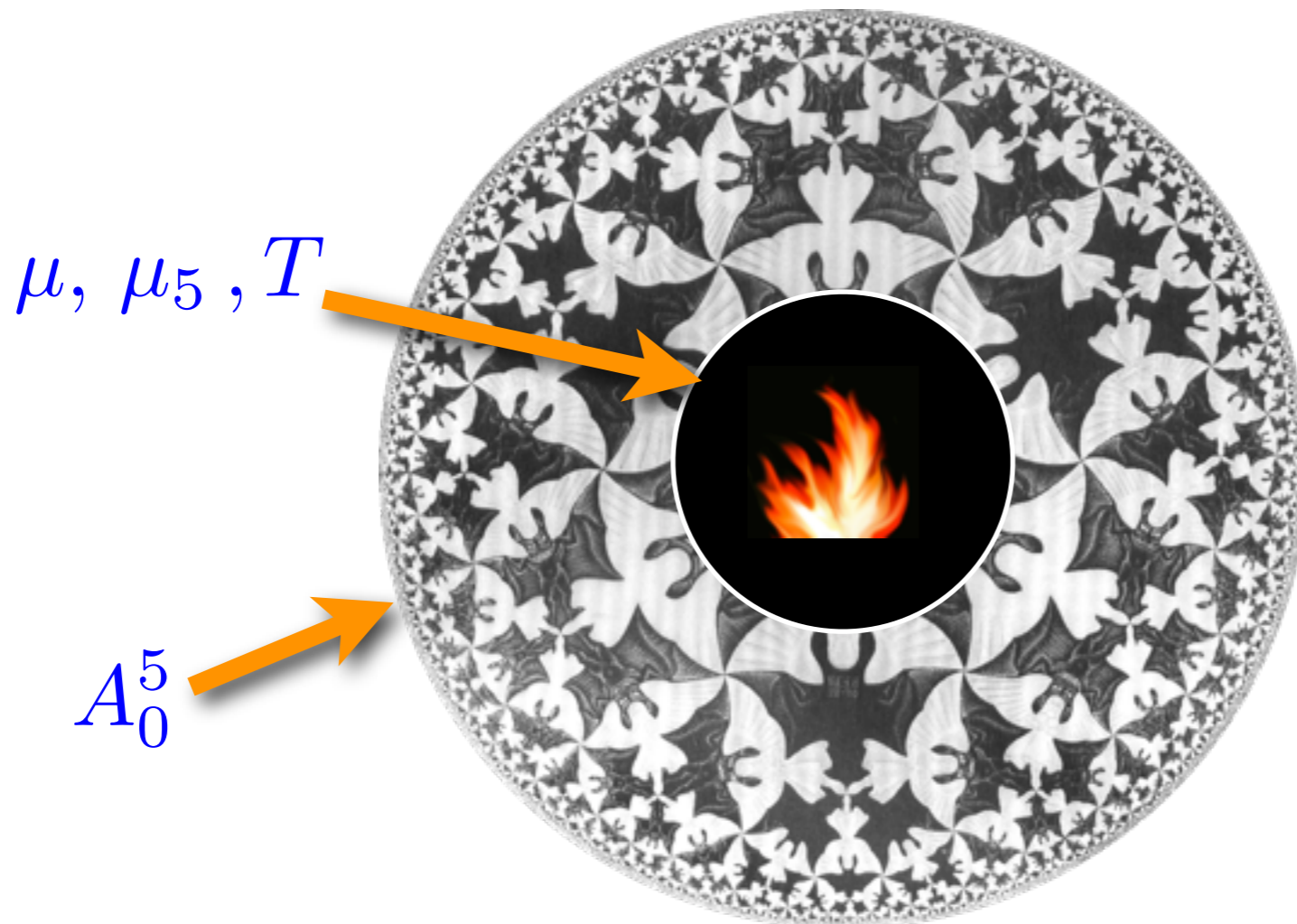
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$$(D_\mu J^\mu)^a = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\lambda} \left(\frac{d^{abc}}{32\pi^2} F_{\mu\nu}^b F_{\rho\lambda}^c + \frac{b_a}{768\pi^2} R^\alpha{}_{\beta\mu\nu} R^\beta{}_{\alpha\rho\lambda} \right)$$

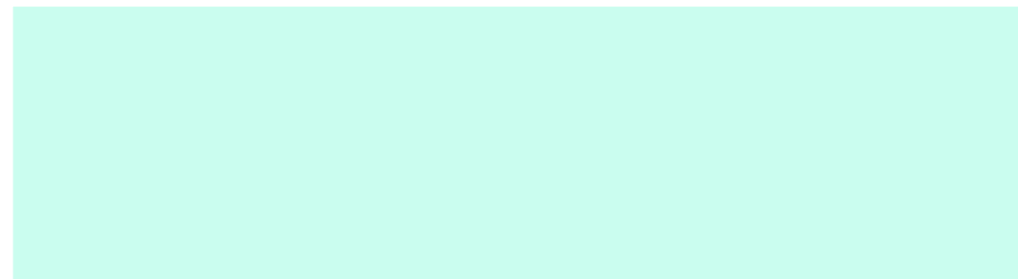
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Gauge fields vs state variables

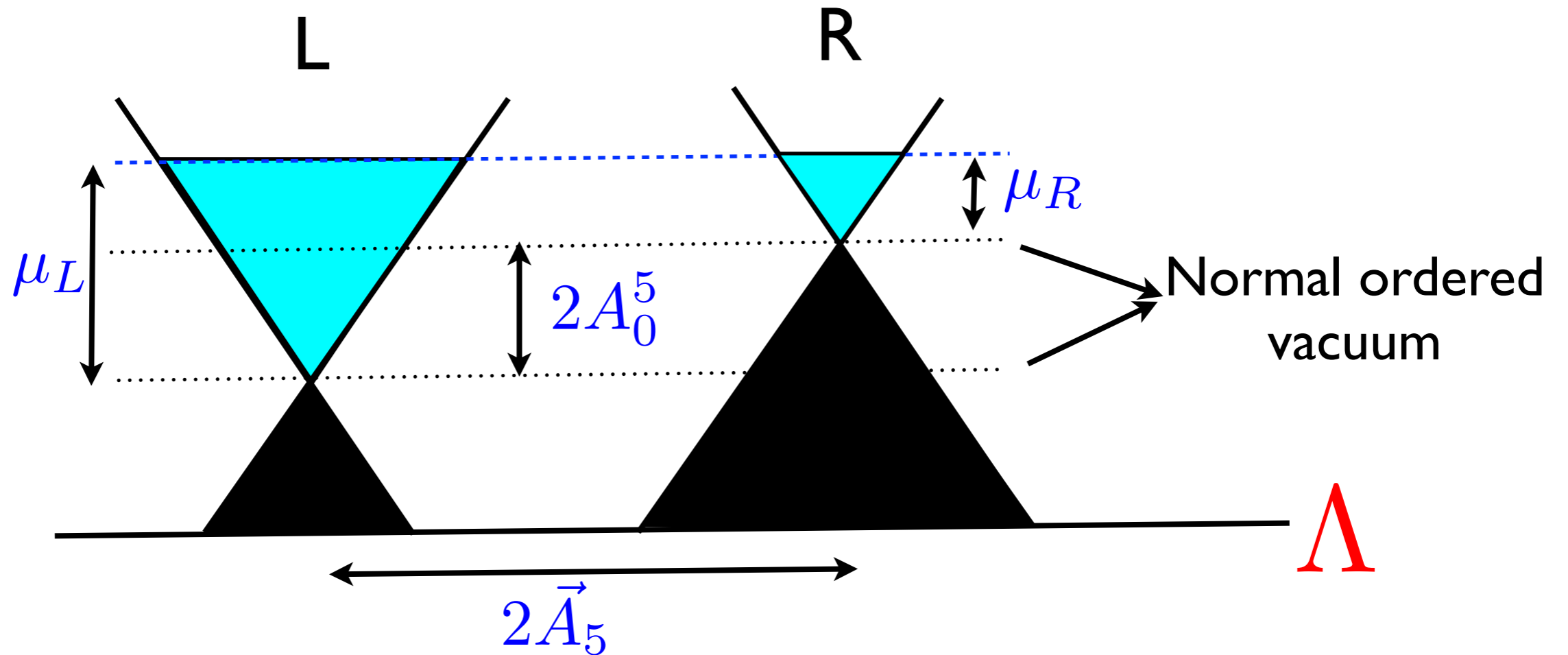
- μ, μ_5, T are state variables, determined by interior of AdS
- A_0^5 is a boundary condition for AdS, a coupling in field theory



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$$\mu_5 = \frac{1}{2}(\mu_L - \mu_R)$$

$$\mu = \frac{1}{2}(\mu_R + \mu_L)$$

CME:
$$\vec{J} = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} (\mu_5 - A_0^5) \vec{B} = 0$$

CVE:
$$\vec{J} = \frac{\mu\mu_5}{4\pi^2} \omega$$

AQHE:
$$\vec{J} = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \vec{A}_5 \times \vec{E}$$

Map to WSMs

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu (i\partial_\mu - \gamma_5 b_\mu) \psi$$



spatial variation = axial magnetic field

- Edge state (Fermi arcs) = LLL of axial magnetic field
- Exotic response patterns (?)

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$$\vec{J}_\epsilon = \dots + \frac{T^2}{12} \vec{B}_5$$

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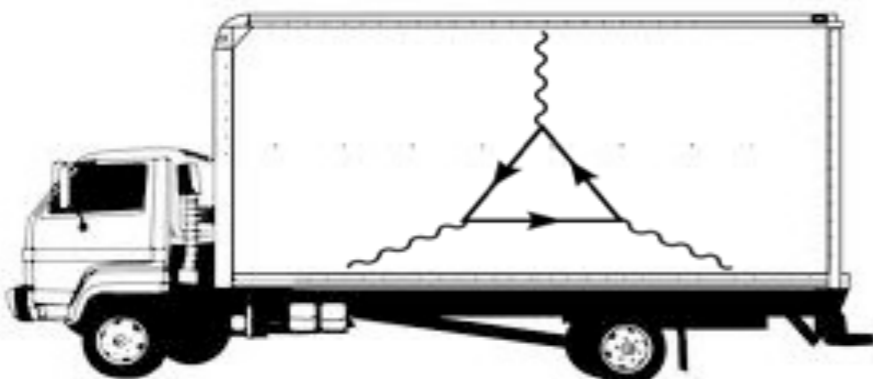
[M. Chernodub, A. Cortijo, A. Grushin, K.L., M.A.H. Vozmediano]

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