

1/4 BPS AdS₃/CFT₂

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Introduction & Motivation

- There is a large effort in the classification of Type II supergravity or M-theory backgrounds with AdS_{d+1} factors.
- The $\mathcal{N} = (0,4)$ AdS_3 solutions remained however largely unexplored.
 - There are certain AdS_3 solutions, but they involve only NS-NS fields.
(Maldacena, Ooguri; Maldacena, Ooguri, Son)
 - Canonical example: Near horizon of D1-D5. $\text{AdS}_3 \times S^3 \times \text{CY}_2$ geometry realising (4,4) superconformal symmetry.

One avatar where the CFT side is rather more developed than the gravity side is
 $\text{AdS}_3/\text{CFT}_2$

Introduction & Motivation

- 2d CFTs play a prominent role in string theory and provide the best arena to test the AdS/CFT correspondence.
- The conformal group in 2d is infinite dimensional and this makes two dimensional CFTs much more tractable than their higher dimensional counterparts.
- More general (0,4) 2d CFTs such as the ones described by the quivers constructed in Haghighat, Lockhart, Vafa and collab.; Hanany, Okazaki are however still lacking a holographic description, one of the motivations of this work will be to fill this gap.

We will fill this gap and provide a classification of AdS_3 solutions to massive IIA supergravity with (small) (0,4) SUSY and a concrete proposal to their 2d dual CFTs.

From these classification, through T-duality, we obtain new AdS_2 geometries with $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SUSY in type IIB and propose a dual SCQM.

TALK OUTLINE

- AdS_3 solutions to massive IIA with small (0,4) SUSY
- Our 2d CFTs proposal
 - An illustrative example
- $\text{AdS}_2 \times S^2 \times \text{CY}_2 \times S^1 \times I$ solutions to supergravity IIB with $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SUSY
 - SCQM proposal
- Conclusions

The geometry

Our approach to finding AdS_3 solutions with small $N=(0,4)$ superconformal symmetry is to construct spinors which manifestly realize the bosonic sub-algebra

$$\mathfrak{sl}(2) \oplus \mathfrak{su}(2).$$

We shall seek solutions with metric decomposing as

$$ds^2 = e^{2A} ds^2(\text{AdS}_3) + ds^2(M_7),$$
$$ds^2(M_7) = e^{2C} ds^2(S^2) + ds^2(M_5).$$

To guarantee small $N=(0,4)$ symmetry we must solve the supersymmetric constraints.

Our strategy

- Construct spinors that ensure consistency with the bosonic sub-algebra of small $N=(0,4)$ superconformal symmetry.
- Exploit an existing $N=1$ AdS_3 classification to obtain sufficient conditions on the geometry and fluxes for a solution with small $N=(0,4)$ in IIA to exist. (Dibitetto, Lo Monaco, Passias, Petri, Tomasiello)
- Study the classes consistent with our assumptions.

There are 2 classes of solutions

$$M_4 = \text{CY}_2$$
$$M_4 = \text{Kähler}$$

The geometry

We focus in the Class I solutions,

$$ds^2 = \frac{u}{\sqrt{h_4 h_8}} \left(ds^2(\text{AdS}_3) + \frac{h_8 h_4}{4h_8 h_4 + (u')^2} ds^2(\mathbb{S}^2) \right) + \sqrt{\frac{h_4}{h_8}} ds^2(\text{CY}_2) + \frac{\sqrt{h_4 h_8}}{u} d\rho^2,$$

$$e^{-\Phi} = \frac{h_8^{\frac{3}{4}}}{2h_4^{\frac{1}{4}} \sqrt{u}} \sqrt{4h_8 h_4 + (u')^2}, \quad B_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(-\rho + 2\pi k + \frac{uu'}{4h_4 h_8 + (u')^2} \right) \text{vol}(\mathbb{S}^2), \quad \text{NS5}$$

$$\hat{F}_0 = h'_8, \quad \text{D8}$$

$$\hat{F}_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \left(h_8 - h'_8(\rho - 2\pi k) \right) \text{vol}(\mathbb{S}^2), \quad \text{D6}$$

$$\hat{F}_4 = h'_4 \text{vol}(\text{CY}_2), \quad \text{D4}$$

$$\hat{F}_6 = \left(h_4 - h'_4(\rho - 2\pi k) \right) \text{vol}(\text{CY}_2) \wedge \text{vol}(\mathbb{S}_2), \quad \text{D2}$$

The background is a SUSY solution of the Massive IIA equations if the functions satisfy,

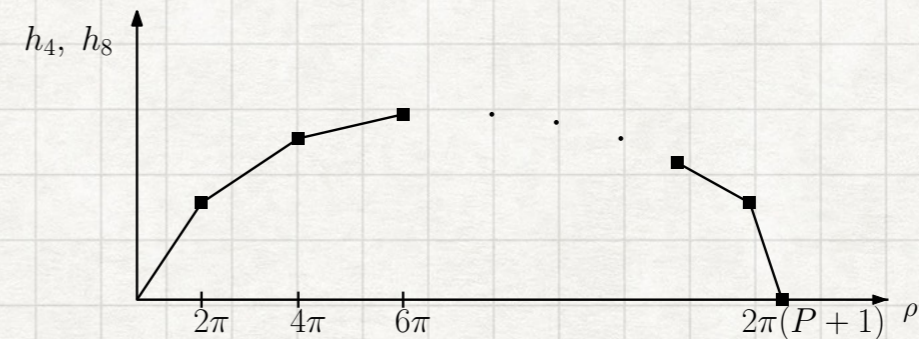
$$u'' = 0, \quad h_8'' = 0, \quad h_4'' = 0.$$

The geometry

The three functions are thus linear and piecewise continuous,

$$h_4(\rho) = \begin{cases} \frac{\beta_0}{2\pi}\rho & 0 \leq \rho \leq 2\pi \\ \alpha_k + \frac{\beta_k}{2\pi}(\rho - 2\pi k) & 2\pi k \leq \rho \leq 2\pi(k+1) \\ \alpha_P - \frac{\alpha_P}{2\pi}(\rho - 2\pi P) & 2\pi P \leq \rho \leq 2\pi(P+1) \end{cases}, \quad h_8(\rho) = \begin{cases} \frac{\nu_0}{2\pi}\rho & 0 \leq \rho \leq 2\pi \\ \mu_k + \frac{\nu_k}{2\pi}(\rho - 2\pi k) & 2\pi k \leq \rho \leq 2\pi(k+1) \\ \mu_P - \frac{\mu_P}{2\pi}(\rho - 2\pi P) & 2\pi P \leq \rho \leq 2\pi(P+1) \end{cases}, \quad u = \frac{b_0}{2\pi}\rho.$$

+ the functions vanish at $\rho = 0$ and $\rho = 2\pi(P+1)$
continuity of the NS sector



continuity of the functions h_4, h_8

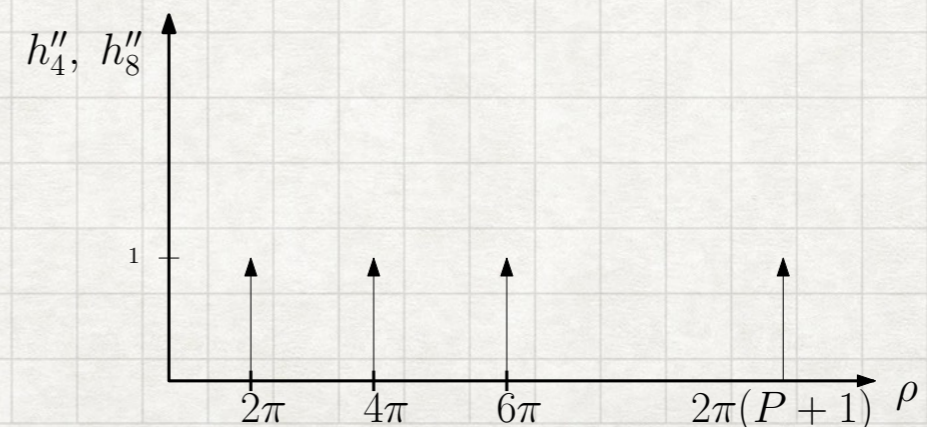
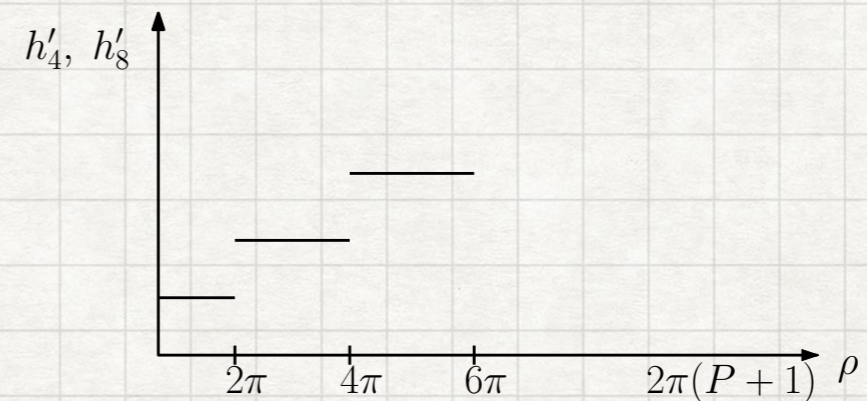


their derivatives present jumps



discontinuities in the RR sector

D4 and D8 sources are located



The geometry

Page Charges

$$Q_{D8} = \nu_{k-1} - \nu_k \quad Q_{D4} = \beta_{k-1} - \beta_k \quad \rightarrow$$

D4, D8 branes will play the role of flavour branes

$$Q_{D6} = \mu_k \quad Q_{D2} = \alpha_k \quad \rightarrow$$

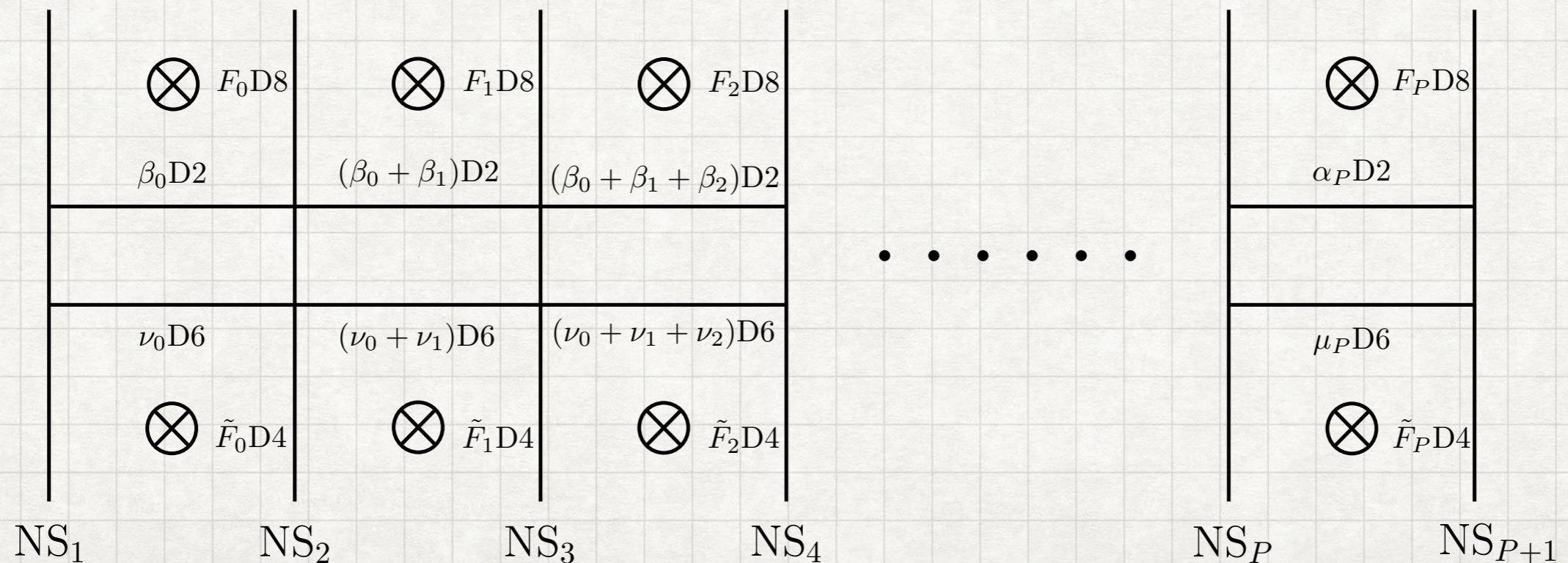
D2, D6 branes will play the role of colour branes

$$h_4^{(k)} = \alpha_k + \frac{\beta_k}{2\pi}(\rho - 2\pi k), \quad h_8^{(k)} = \mu_k + \frac{\nu_k}{2\pi}(\rho - 2\pi k),$$

Supported by the analysis of the Bianchi identities

Hanany-Witten brane set-up

(Hanany, Witten'97)



The geometry

We compute the **Holographic Central Charge** where the idea is to compute the volume of the internal space, thus for our background we get,

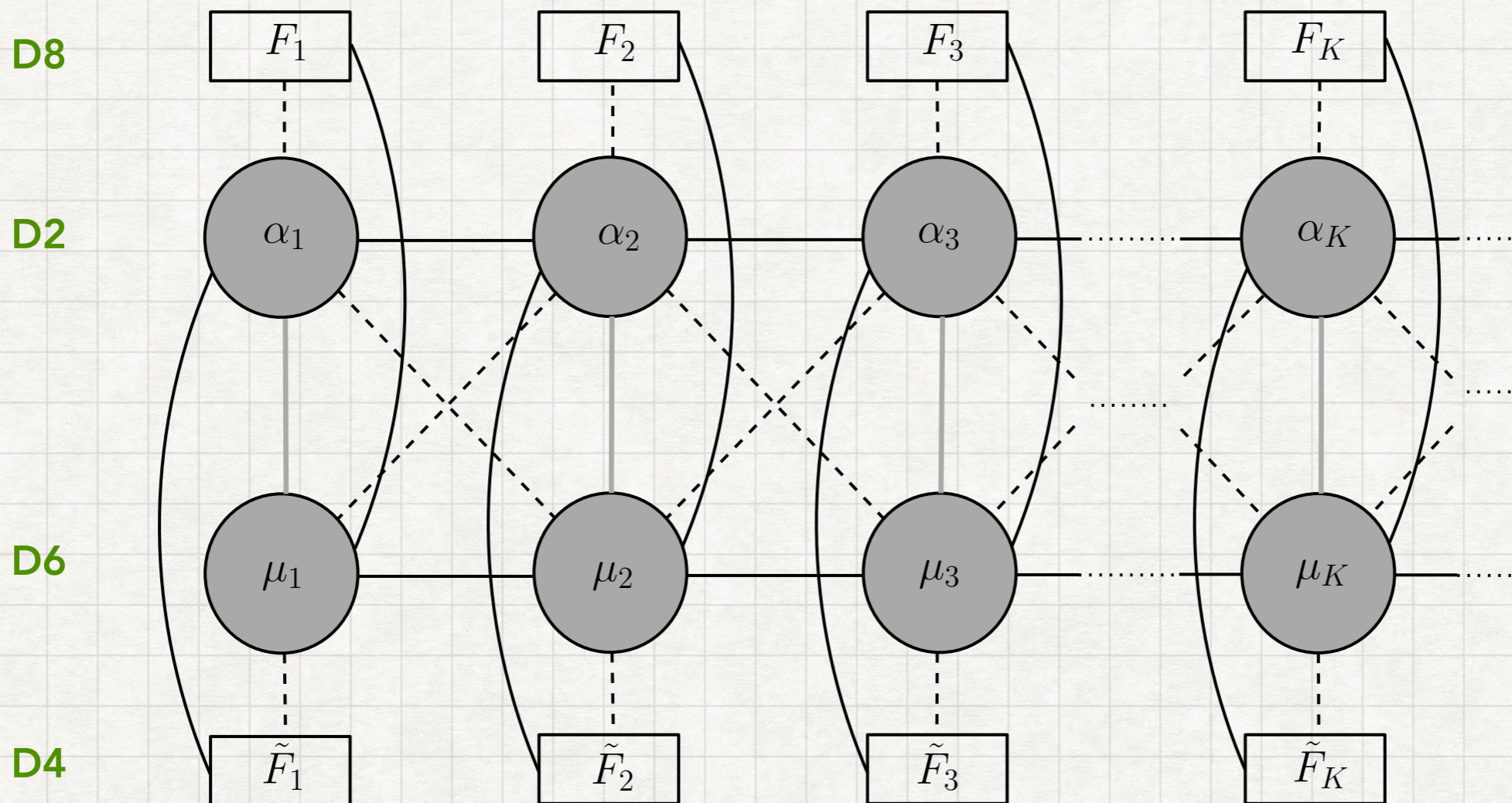
(Freedman, Gubser, Pilch, Wagner;
Krauss, Larsen; Klebanov, Kutasov,
Murugan; Macpherson, Nunez, et.al)

$$c_{hol} = \frac{3\pi}{2G_N} \text{Vol}(\text{CY}_2) \int_0^{2\pi(P+1)} h_4 h_8 d\rho.$$

Observables calculated using the geometry are trustable as long as the numbers ν_k , β_k and P are large.

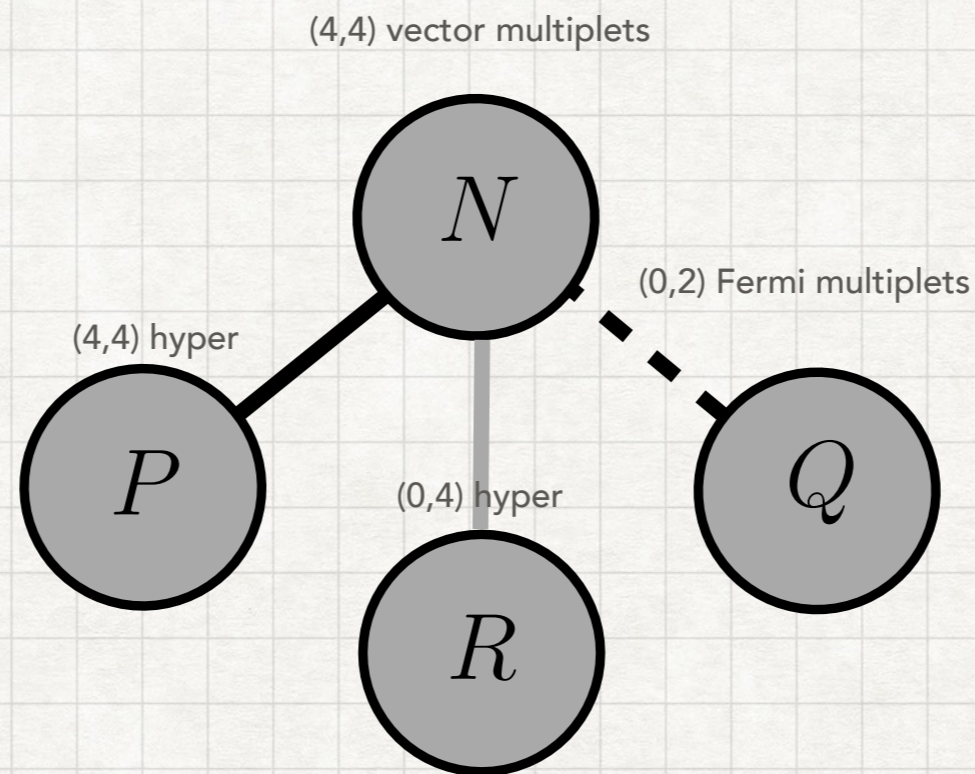
The 2d SCFTs

In usual cases, the Hanany-Witten brane set-ups have associated **linear quivers**. Our proposal relates our backgrounds with $\mathcal{N} = (0,4)$ **SUSY quiver field theories**.



The 2d SCFTs

The field theory is described in terms of (0,2) multiplets that combine into (0,4) and (4,4) multiplets. It is obtained by assembling the building block:



Using the contribution to the gauge anomaly coming from each multiplet, we find that for each $SU(N)$ gauge group the cancellation of the anomaly imposes,

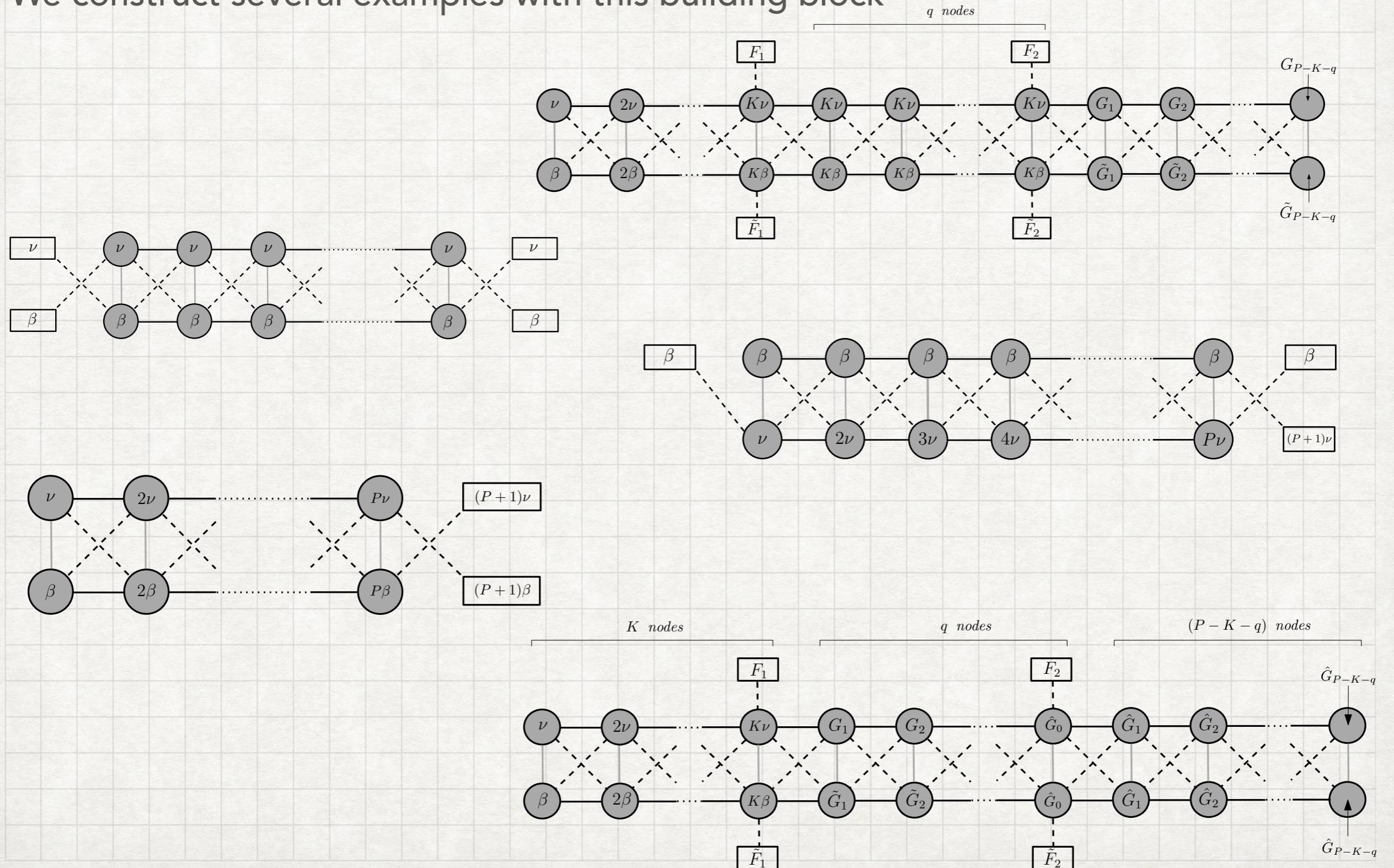
$$2R = Q$$

We proposed that our quivers become conformal in the IR and then the central charge of the quiver and R-Symmetry anomaly get related by the (0,4) superconformal algebra, (Putrov, Song, Yan 2016)

$$c = 6(n_{hyp} - n_{vec})$$

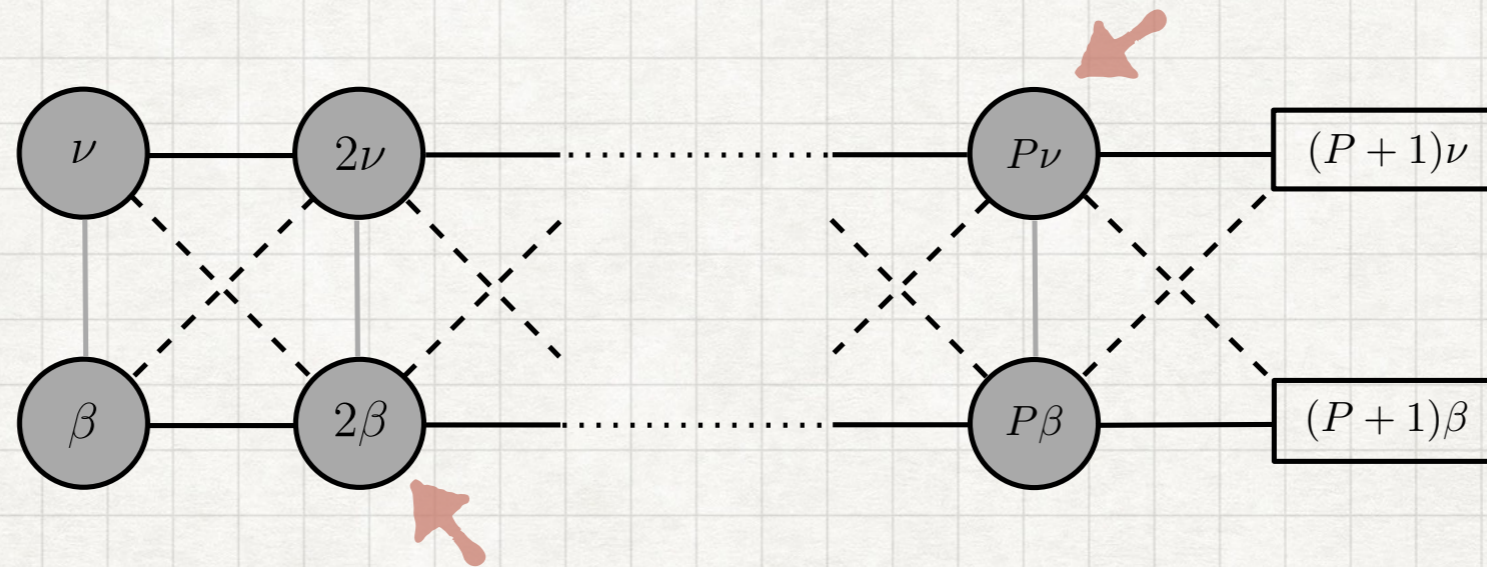
The 2d SCFTs

We construct several examples with this building block

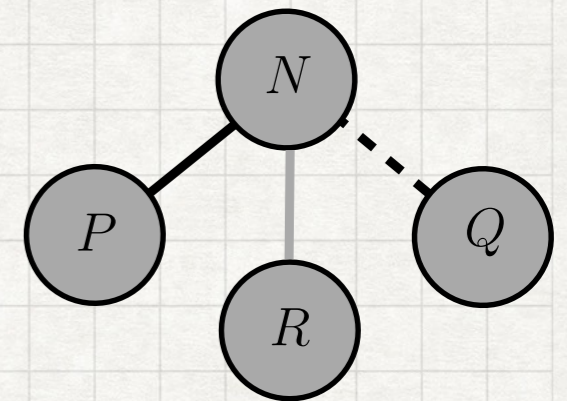


The 2d SCFTs

An illustrative example



Gauge anomaly $2R = Q$



$$R = 2\nu$$

$$Q = \nu + 3\nu$$

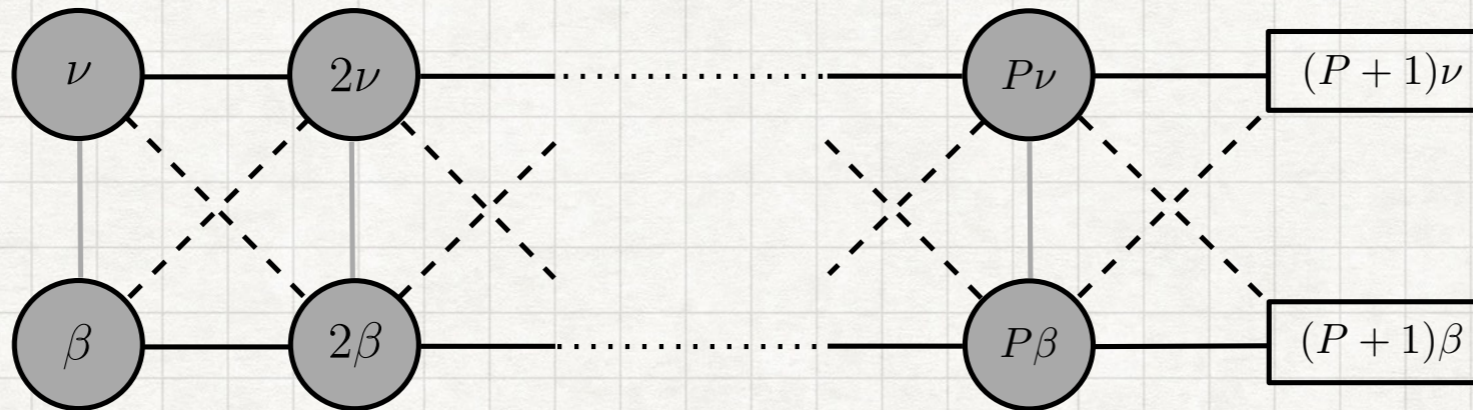
$$R = P\beta$$

$$Q = (P-1)\beta + (P+1)\beta$$

The anomalies of each of the gauge groups vanish

The 2d SCFTs

An illustrative example



Central Charge

$$n_{vec} = \sum_{j=1}^P (j^2(\beta^2 + \nu^2) - 2)$$

$$n_{hyp} = \sum_{j=1}^P j^2 \nu \beta + \sum_{j=1}^{P-1} j(j+1)(\nu^2 + \beta^2)$$

$$c = 6(n_{hyp} - n_{vec})$$

$$c = 6\nu\beta\left(\frac{P^3}{3} + \frac{P^2}{2} + \frac{P}{6}\right) - 3(\nu^2 + \beta^2)(P^2 + P) + 12P$$

$$\sim 2\nu\beta P^3$$

Holographic Central Charge

The holographic description of this system

$$h_4(\rho) = \begin{cases} \frac{\beta}{2\pi} \rho & 0 \leq \rho \leq 2\pi P \\ \frac{\beta P}{2\pi} (2\pi(P+1) - \rho) & 2\pi P \leq \rho \leq 2\pi(P+1) \end{cases}$$

$$h_8(\rho) = \begin{cases} \frac{\nu}{2\pi} \rho & 0 \leq \rho \leq 2\pi P \\ \frac{\nu P}{2\pi} (2\pi(P+1) - \rho) & 2\pi P \leq \rho \leq 2\pi(P+1) \end{cases}$$

$$c_{hol} = \frac{3}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi(P+1)} h_4 h_8 d\rho \sim 2\nu\beta P^3$$

exactly as the field theory!

AdS₂/SCQM

The geometry

$$\underline{\text{AdS}_3} \times \text{S}^2 \times \text{M}_4 \times \text{I} \xrightarrow{\text{T-duality}} \text{AdS}_2 \times \text{S}^2 \times \text{M}_4 \times \text{I} \times \text{S}^1$$

$$ds_{\text{AdS}_3}^2 = \frac{1}{4} \left[(d\tilde{\psi} + \eta)^2 + ds_{\text{AdS}_2}^2 \right]$$

$$ds^2 = \frac{u}{\sqrt{\hat{h}_4 h_8}} \left(\frac{1}{4} ds_{\text{AdS}_2}^2 + \frac{\hat{h}_4 h_8}{4\hat{h}_4 h_8 + (u')^2} ds_{\text{S}^2}^2 \right) + \sqrt{\frac{\hat{h}_4}{h_8}} ds_{\text{CY}_2}^2 + \frac{\sqrt{\hat{h}_4 h_8}}{u} (d\rho^2 + d\psi^2),$$

$$e^{-2\Phi} = \frac{h_8}{4\hat{h}_4} (4\hat{h}_4 h_8 + (u')^2), \quad H_3 = \frac{1}{2} d \left(-\rho + \frac{uu'}{4\hat{h}_4 h_8 + (u')^2} \right) \wedge \text{vol}_{\text{S}^2} + \frac{1}{2} \text{vol}_{\text{AdS}_2} \wedge d\psi,$$

$$\hat{F}_1 = h'_8 d\psi, \quad \hat{F}_3 = \frac{1}{2} (h'_8(\rho - 2\pi k) - h_8) \text{vol}_{\text{S}^2} \wedge d\psi + \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{u'(\hat{h}_4 u' - u\hat{h}'_4)}{2\hat{h}_4^2} + 2h_8 \right) \text{vol}_{\text{AdS}_2} \wedge d\rho,$$

$$\hat{F}_5 = \frac{1}{16} \left(\frac{(u - (\rho - 2\pi k)u')(u\hat{h}'_4 - \hat{h}_4 u')}{\hat{h}_4^2} + 4(\rho - 2\pi k)h_8 \right) \text{vol}_{\text{AdS}_2} \wedge \text{vol}_{\text{S}^2} \wedge d\rho - \hat{h}'_4 \text{vol}_{\text{CY}_2} \wedge d\psi.$$

- The background is a SUSY solution of supergravity IIB if the functions satisfy, $u'' = 0$, $h_8'' = 0$, $h_4'' = 0$.
- The three functions are lineal and piecewise, $h_4^{(k)} = \alpha_k + \frac{\beta_k}{2\pi}(\rho - 2\pi k)$, $h_8^{(k)} = \mu_k + \frac{\nu_k}{2\pi}(\rho - 2\pi k)$, $u = \frac{b_0}{2\pi}\rho$

The geometry

$$\text{AdS}_3 \times S^2 \times M_4 \times I \xrightarrow{\text{T-duality}} \text{AdS}_2 \times S^2 \times M_4 \times I \times S^1$$

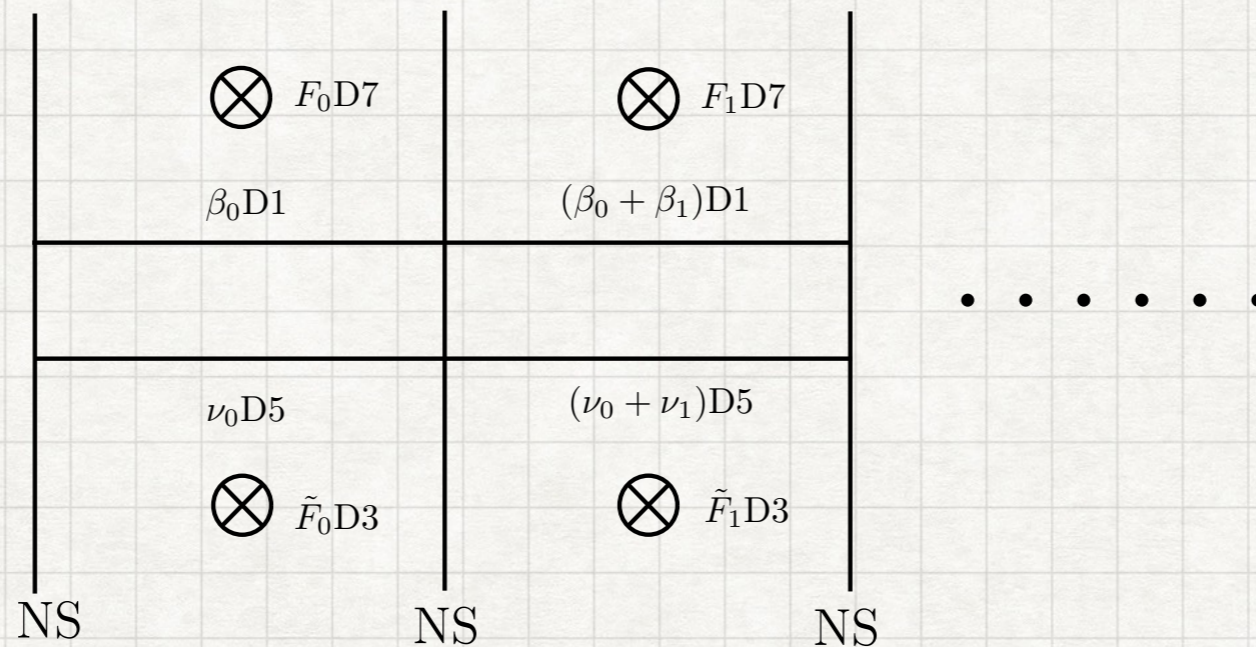
\hat{F}_0	D8	$Q_{D8} = \nu_{k-1} - \nu_k$	\hat{F}_1	D7	$Q_{D7} = \nu_{k-1} - \nu_k$
\hat{F}_2	D6	$Q_{D6} = \mu_k$	\hat{F}_3	D5	$Q_{D5} = \mu_k$
\hat{F}_4	D4	$Q_{D4} = \beta_{k-1} - \beta_k$	\hat{F}_5	D3	$Q_{D3} = \beta_{k-1} - \beta_k$
\hat{F}_6	D2	$Q_{D2} = \alpha_k$	\hat{F}_7	D1	$Q_{D1} = \alpha_k$

The Bianchi identities allow to determine which branes are actually present

- ➔ **D1, D5** branes will play the role of color branes
- ➔ **D3, D7** branes will play the role of flavour branes

The geometry

Hanany-Witten brane set-up (Hanany, Witten'97)



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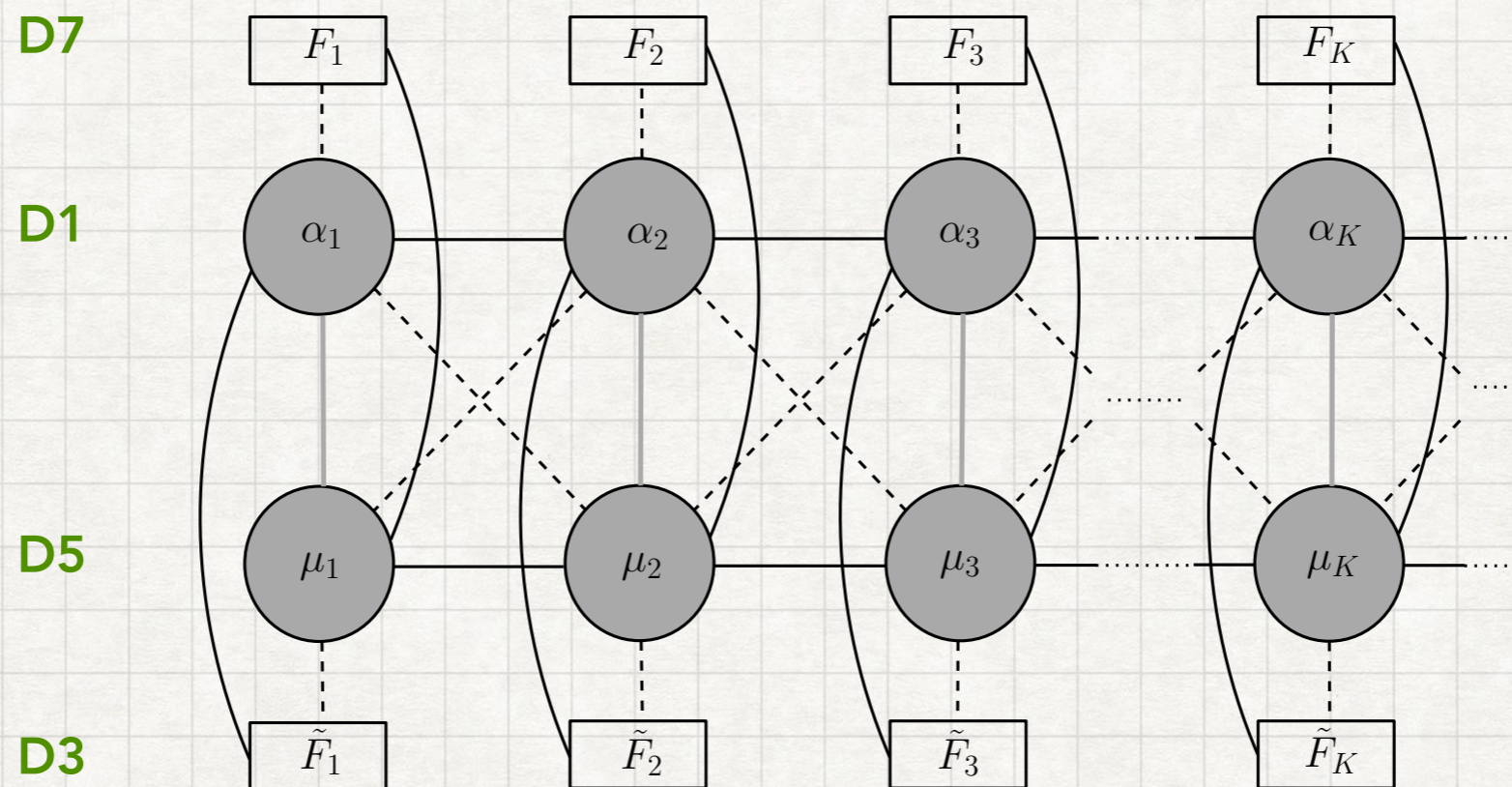
"Holographic Central Charge"

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Krauss, Larsen;
Klebanov, Kutasov, Murugan;
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The same result as in AdS_3

- The proposal is to provide a UV $\mathcal{N} = 4$ quantum mechanics, that conjecturally flows to a super conformal quantum mechanics dual to our AdS_2 geometries



- From the original $SL(2, \mathbb{R}) \times SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ symmetry of the CFT_2 , only one of the sectors is kept
- On field theoretical terms, the number of vacua of the SCQM is $c = 6(n_{hyp} - n_{vec})$

(Putrov, Song, Yan 2016)

Conclusions

- We present a new entry in the mapping between SCFTs and AdS-supergravity backgrounds, for the case the 2d $\mathcal{N} = (0,4)$ (small) SCFTs and backgrounds with $\text{AdS}_3 \times S^2$ factors.
- We proposed explicit 2d dual SCFTs based in information obtained from the geometry. The SCFTs are defined as the IR fixed points of 2d QFTs built out of $(0,2)$ multiplets.
- We discussed one example that constitutes a stringent test, where the duality is checked with the computation of the central charge
- We discussed that T-dualisation on AdS_3 is equivalent to starting with a given $\mathcal{N} = (0,4)$ SCFT₂ doing a dimensional reduction keeping the $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SUSY right sector.
- We proposed a quiver quantum mechanics, that conjecturally flows in the IR to a $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SCQM dual to our $\text{AdS}_2 \times S^2$

Open problems

- Dual CFT of the solutions in class II?
- More checks of the duality

THANKS!