

THE HOLOGRAPHIC
LANDSCAPE OF
SYMMETRIC PRODUCT
ORBIFOLDS

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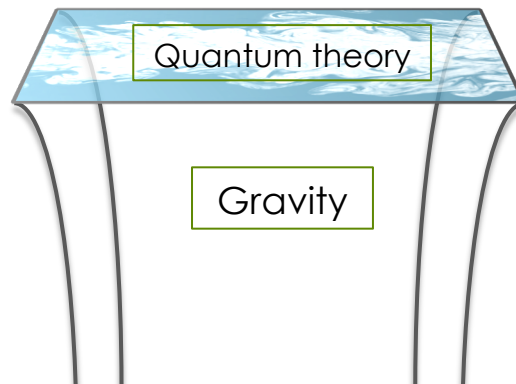
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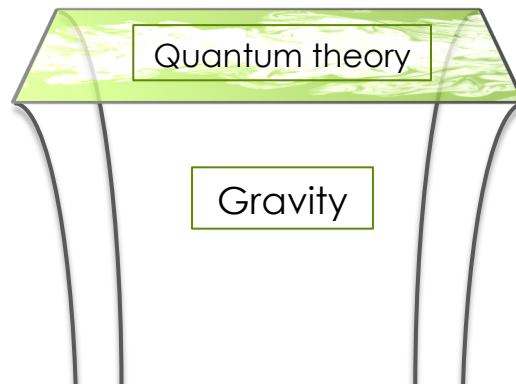
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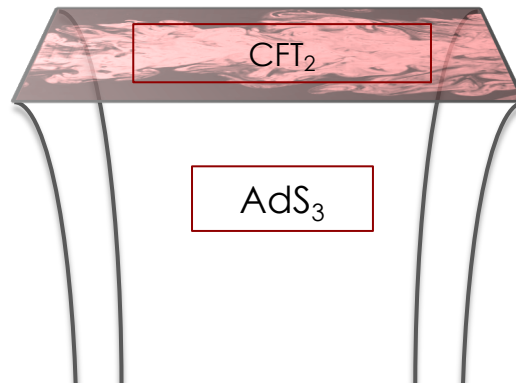


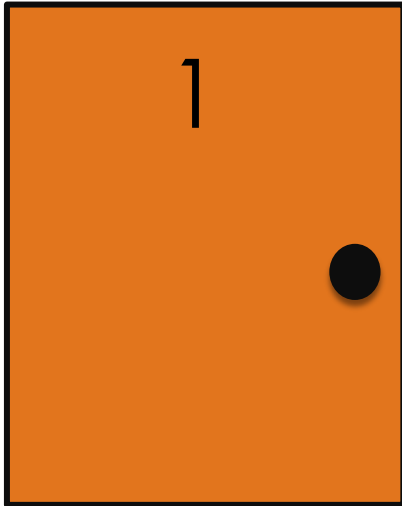
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How to go about building **CFTs** with **semi-classical gravitational** features?

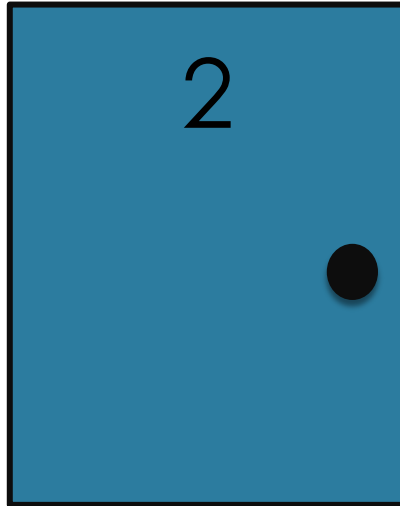


We will focus on the difficulties you encounter in $\text{AdS}_3/\text{CFT}_2$.
Not universal, but it illustrates the challenges.

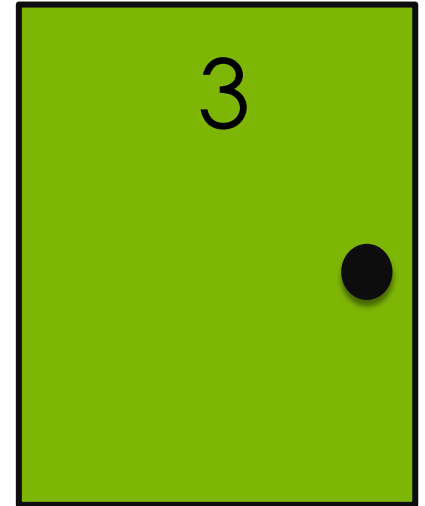




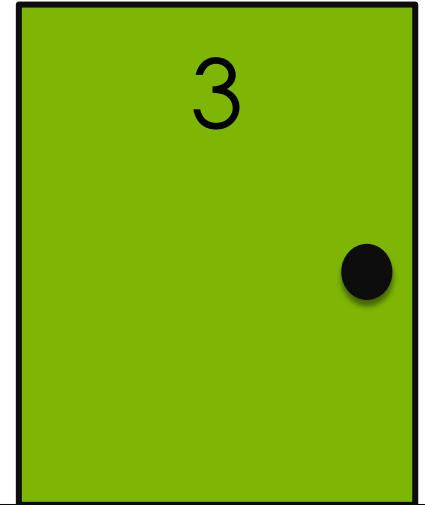
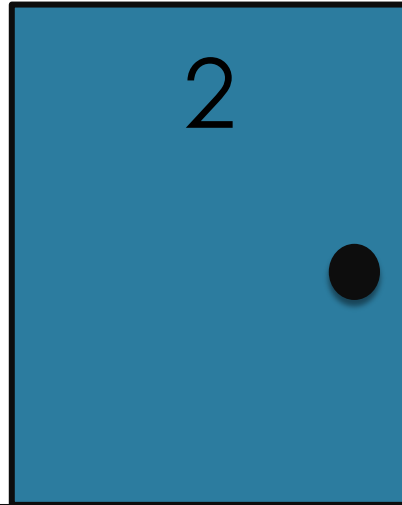
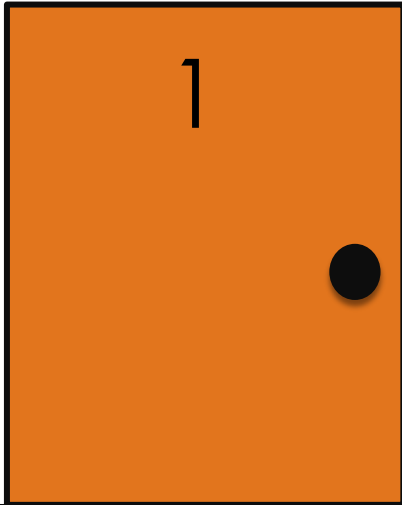
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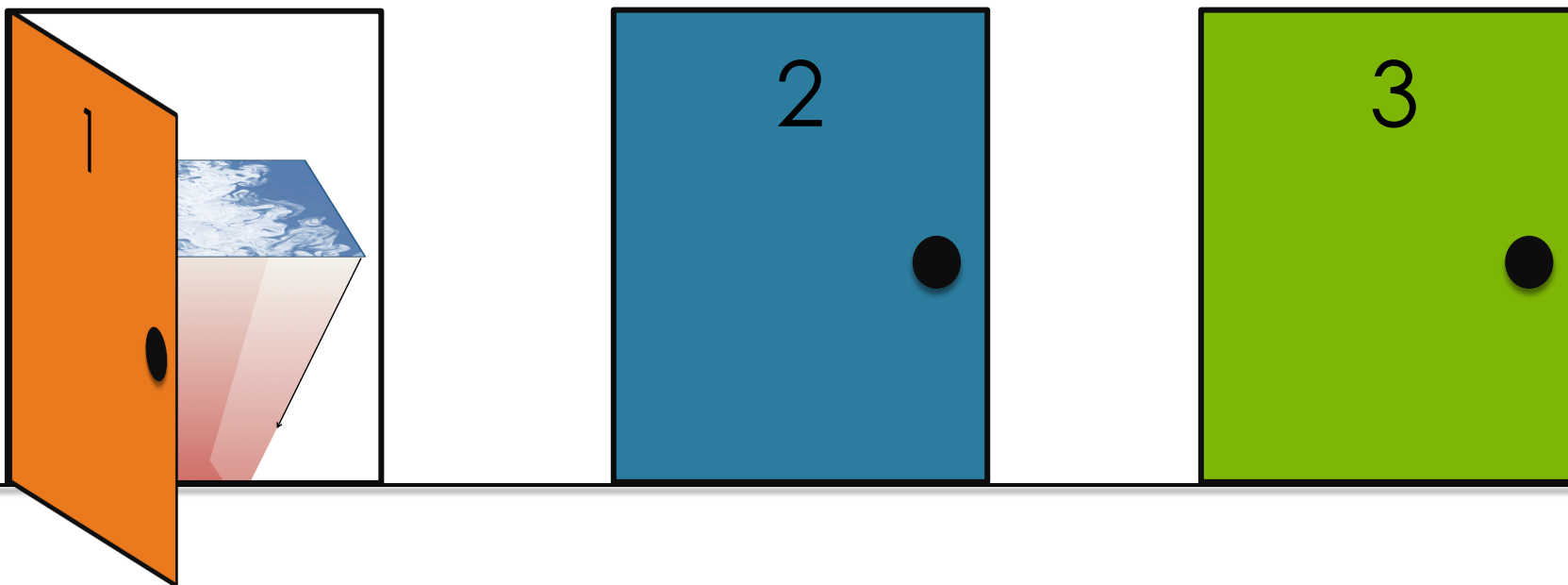


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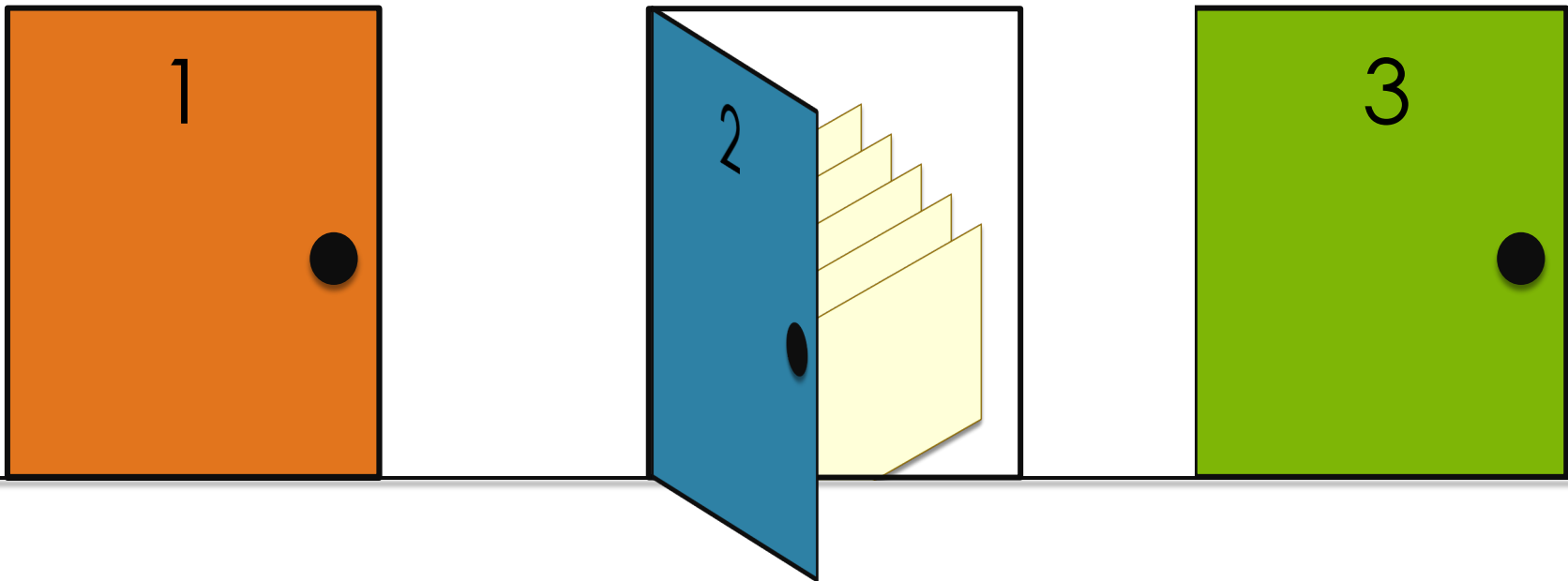
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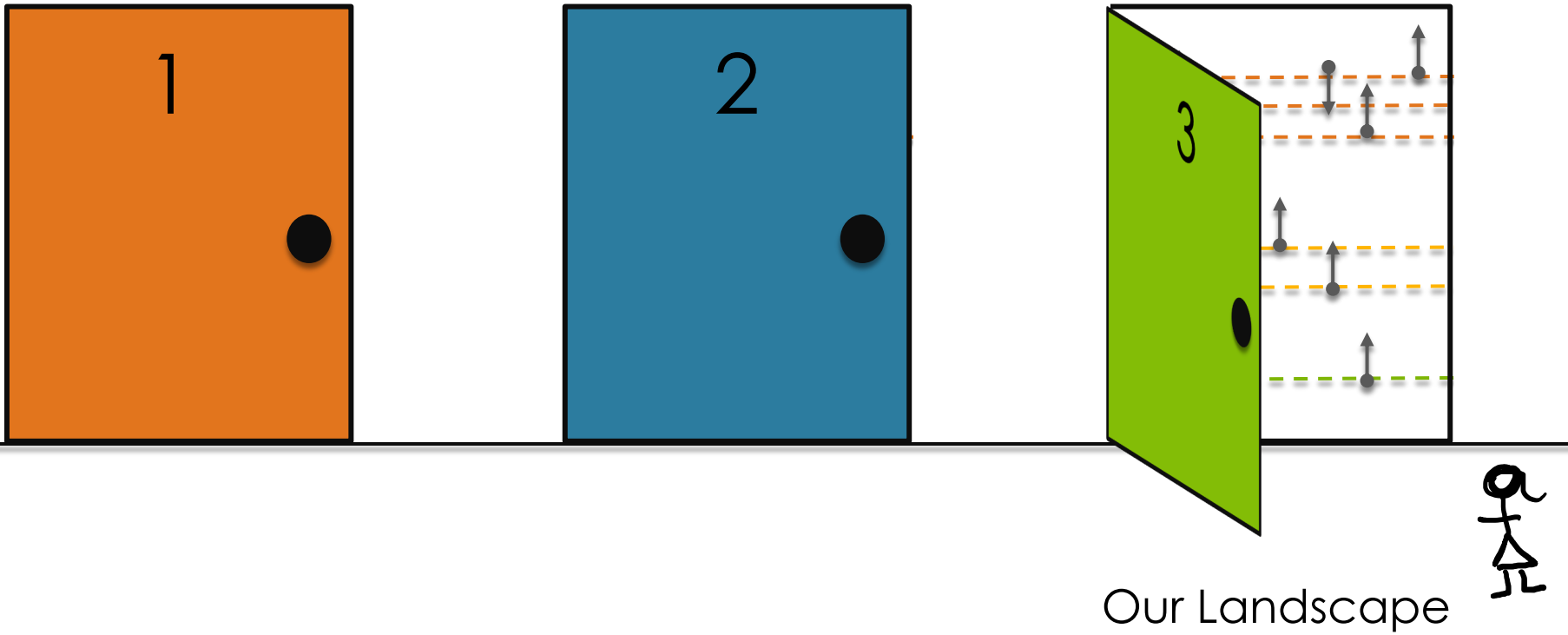


universality: Necessary conditions on the spectrum of CFT₂.



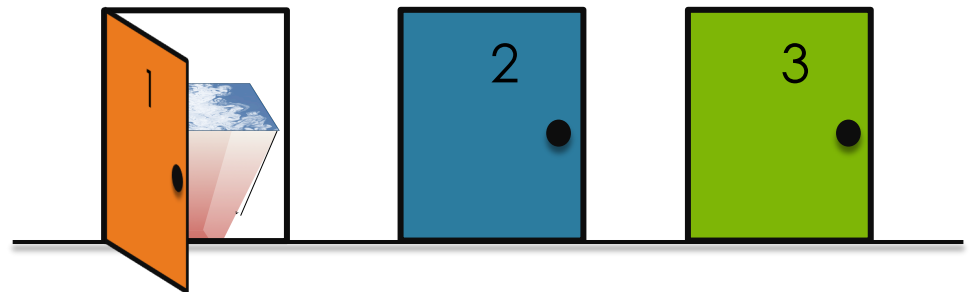
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Strategy: Describing a subspace of CFT_2 .
Restrict the analysis to supersymmetric states.



Output: Finding the needles in the haystack. Minimal models come to rescue.

Holographic CFTs



AdS₃ Gravity

The theory:

$$I_{3D} = \frac{1}{16\pi G_N} \int d^3x \sqrt{-g} \left(R + \frac{2}{\ell^2} \right) + \text{matter}$$

The spectrum:

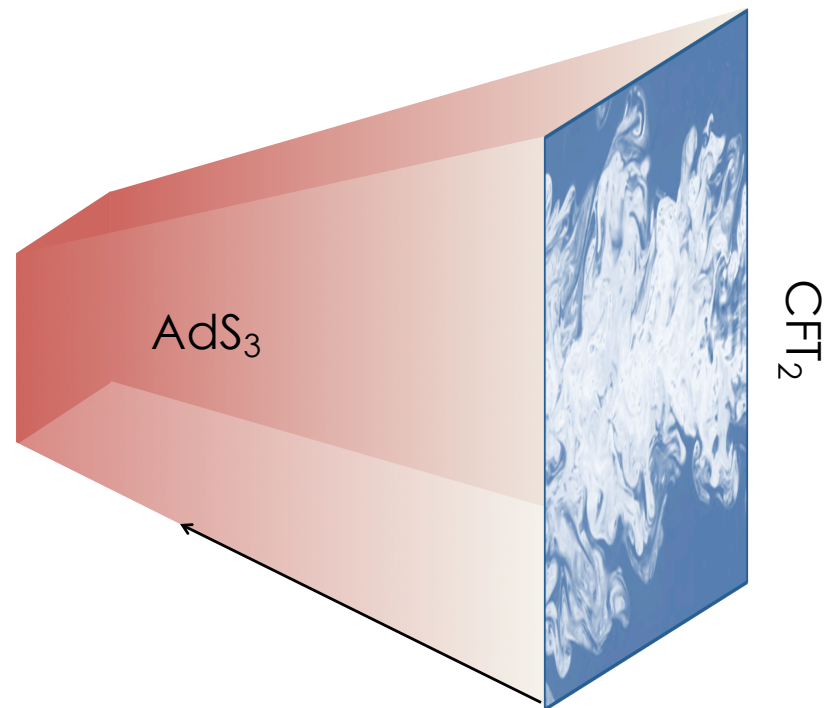
1. Light States: Perturbative states
2. Heavy States: Black holes
3. Other stuff, e.g., multi-centered, conical defects (to be ignored today)

Universal entry in AdS₃/CFT₂: $c = \frac{3\ell}{2G_N} \gg 1$

Holographic CFT₂

We will discuss two conditions

1. Black hole regime
2. Perturbative regime



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While the Cardy regime correctly accounts the entropy of very large BHs, we want CFTs with an **extended Cardy regime** that covers black hole that are large relative to the Planck scale.

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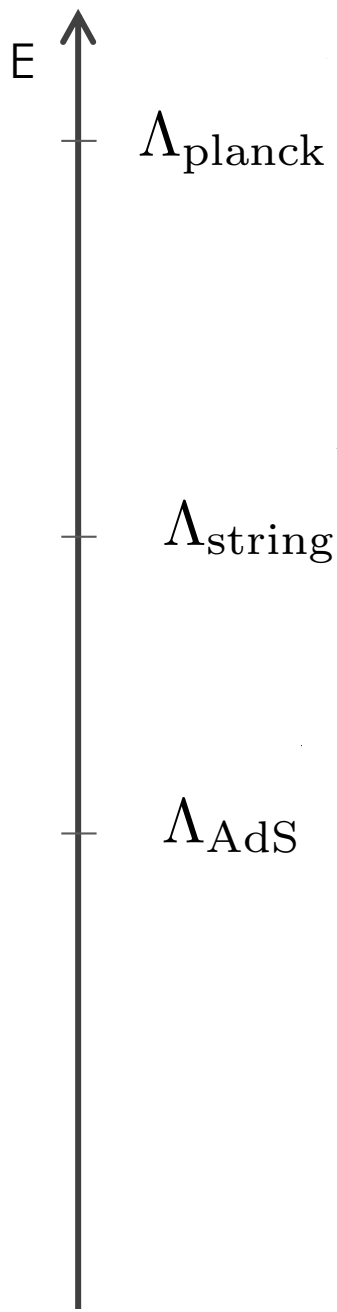
Light = Energy is $O(1)$ in Planck units.

Perturbative excitations that do not form a black hole.

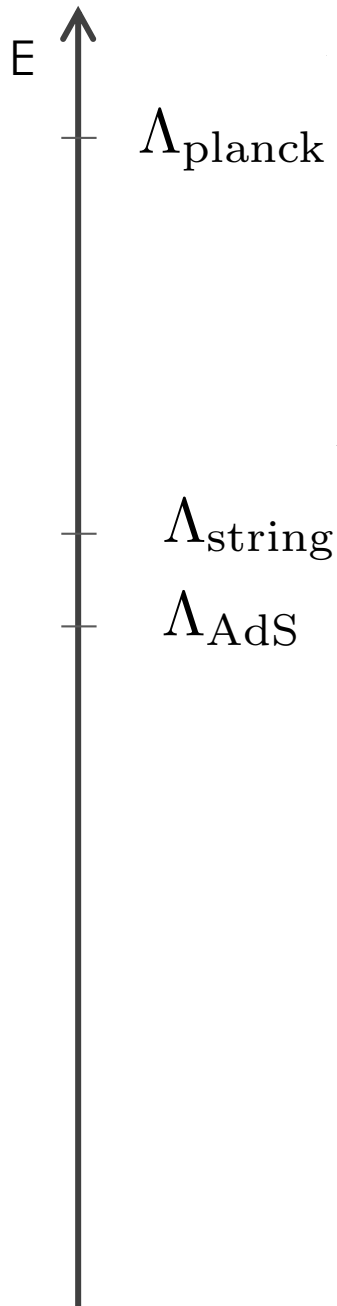
The **black hole regime** puts already restrictions on these states:

- Presence of Hawking-Page transition [Keller; Hartman, Keller, Stoica]
- Extended Cardy regime for BPS BHs [Benjamin, Cheng, Kachru, Moore, Paquette; Benjamin, Kachru, Keller, Paquette]

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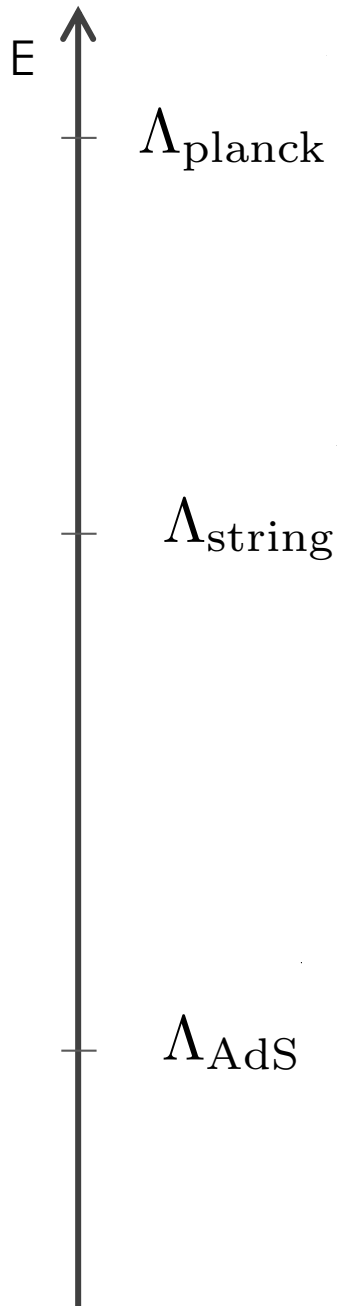
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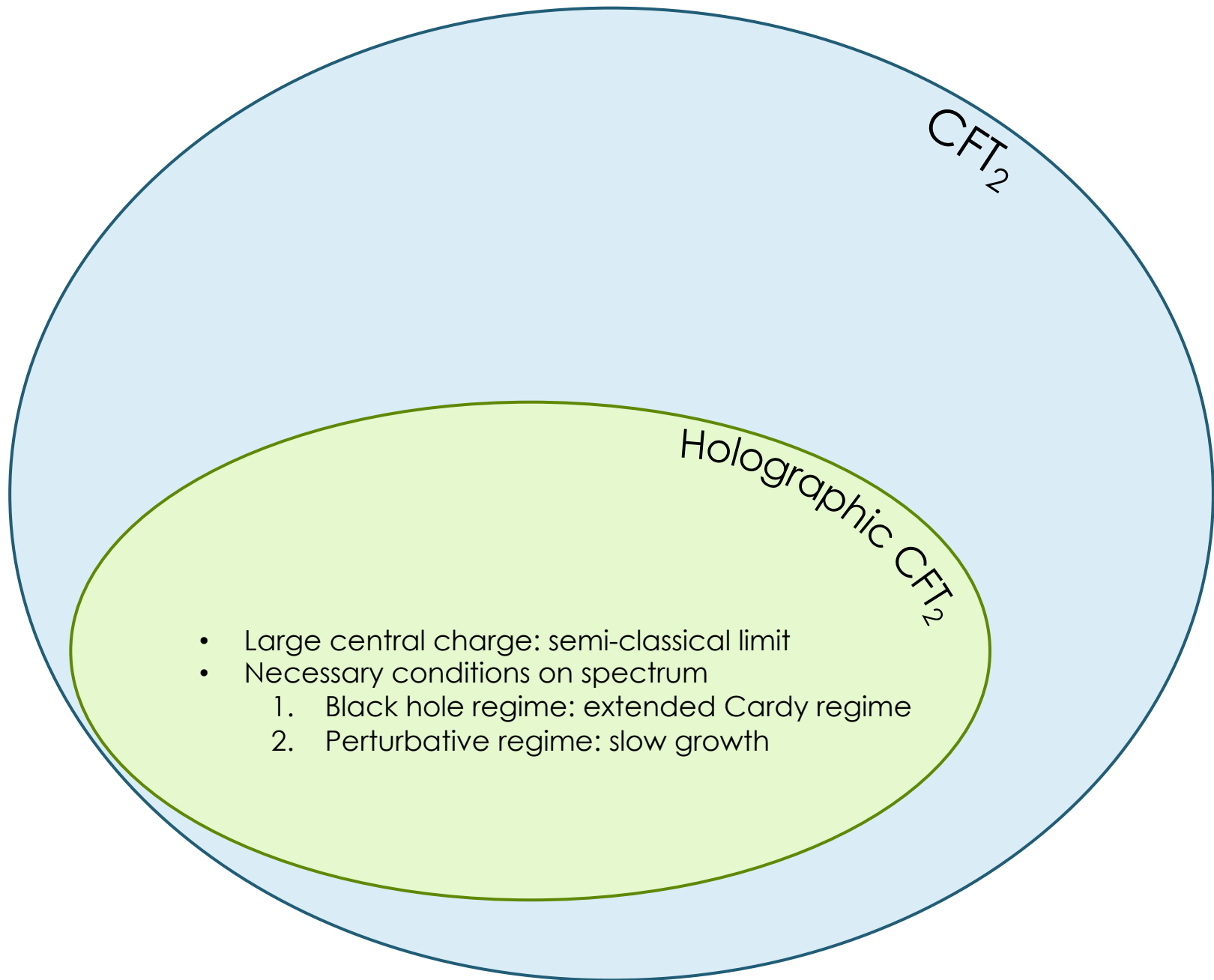
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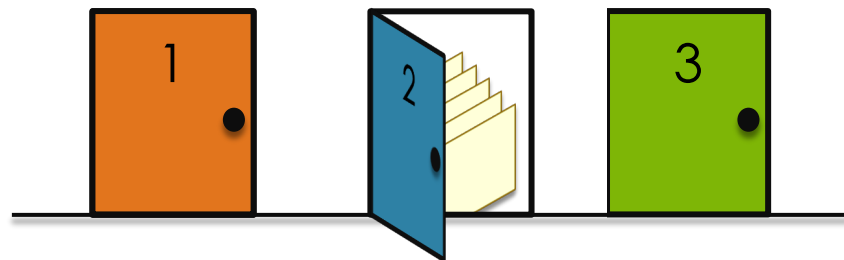
$$\Lambda_{\text{string}} > E \gg \Lambda_{\text{AdS}}$$

Supergravity (slow) growth



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Symmetric Product Orbifolds



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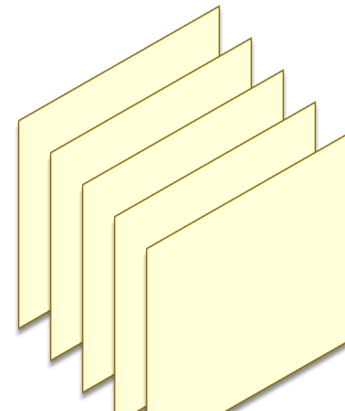
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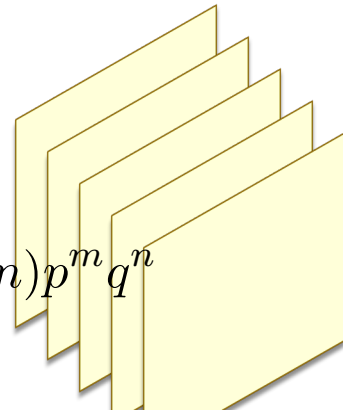


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[DMVV]



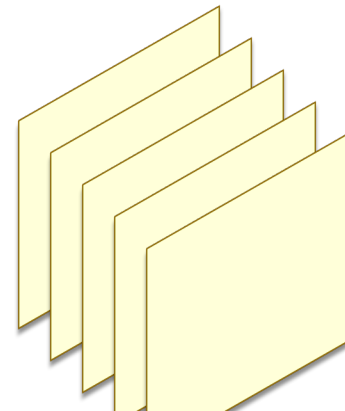
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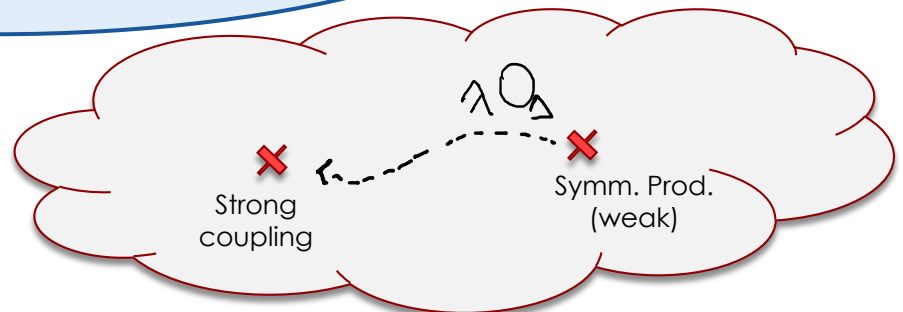
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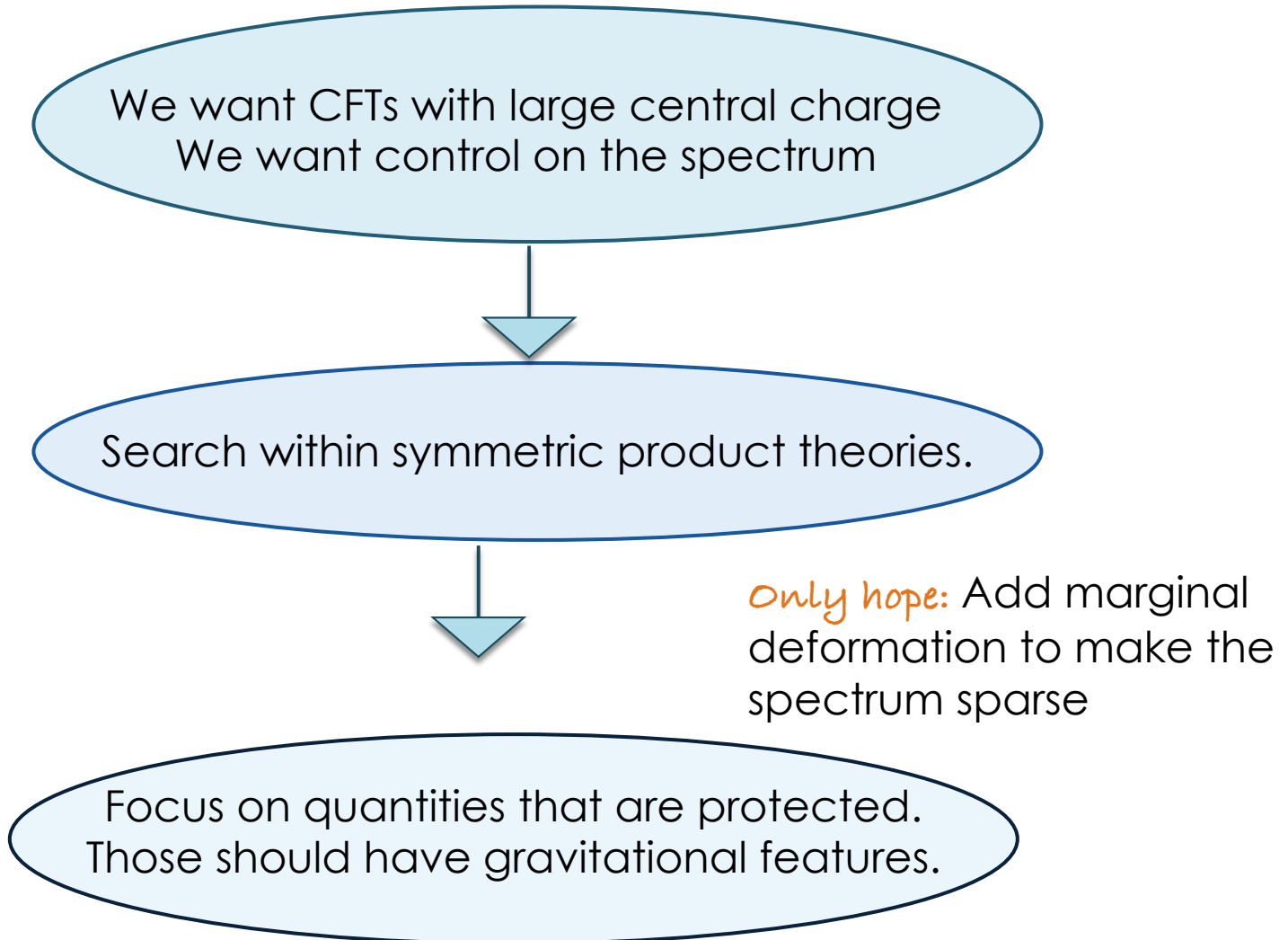


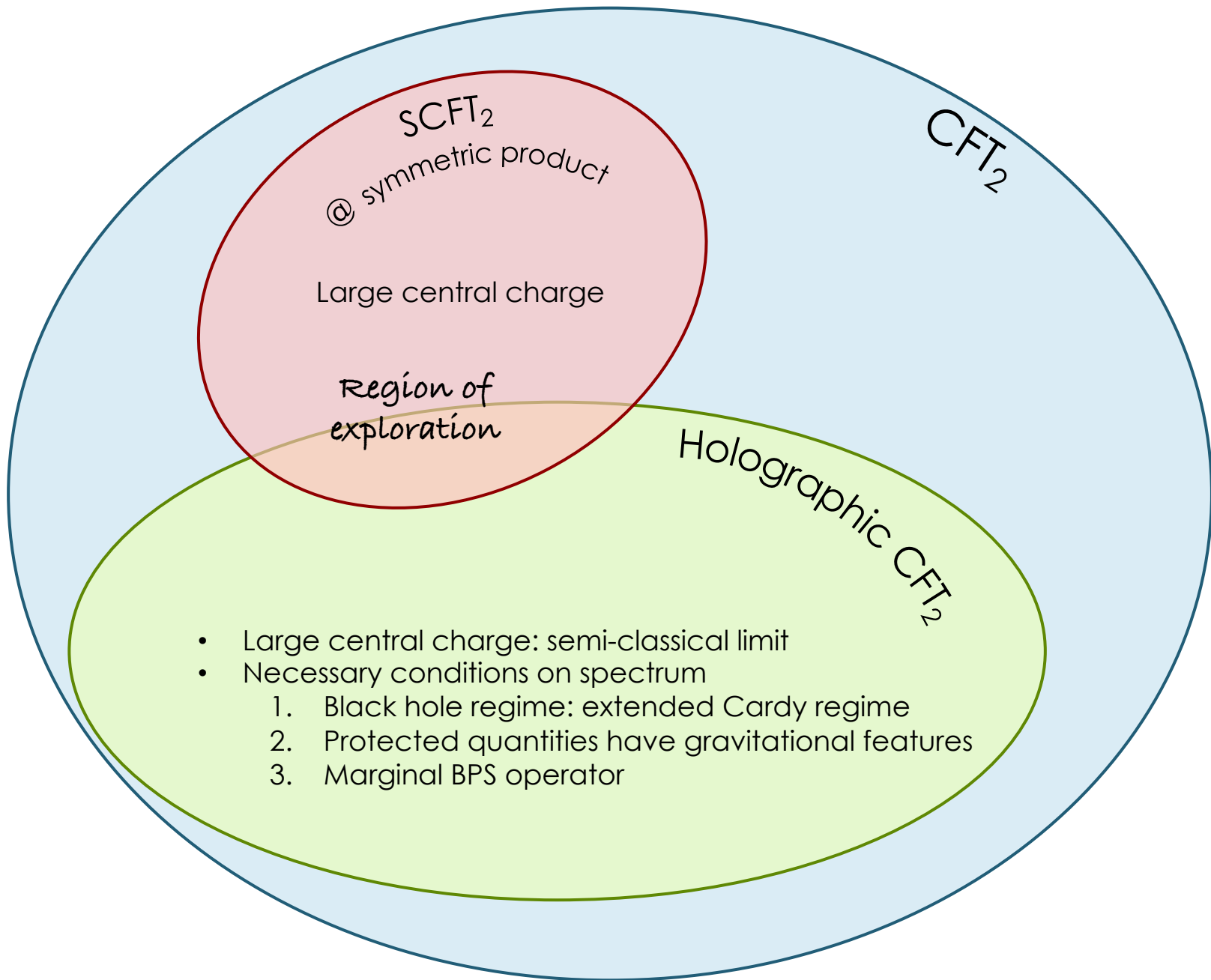
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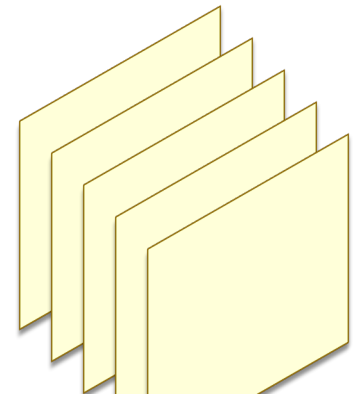
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Note: The partition function of symmetric product CFT₂ has $\gamma=1$.

The elliptic genus can display cancellations that capture the spectrum away from the symmetric product point.

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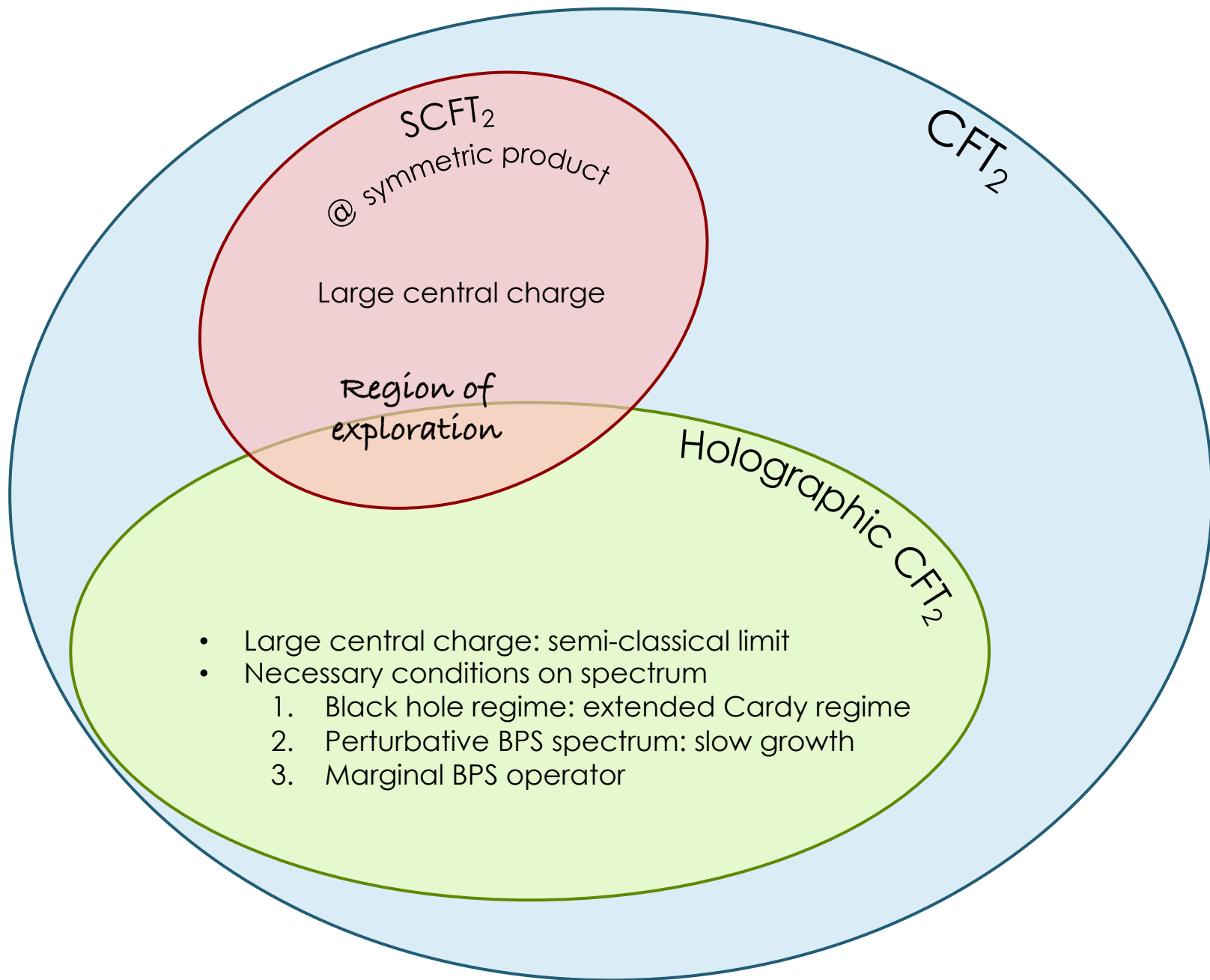
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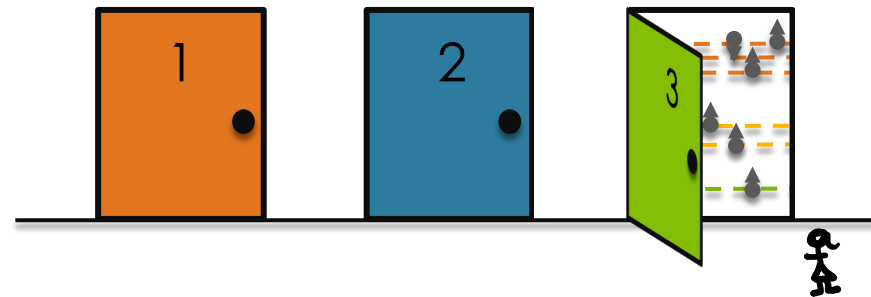
Spoiler!

We can tell you unambiguously which wJFs are holographic, i.e $\gamma < 1$.
New examples are unveiled.



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Landscape

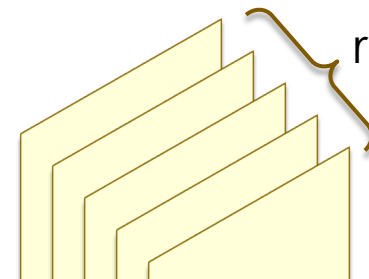


Our procedure in a few steps:

1. Select one seed theory: select a Jacobi form.
2. Perform symmetric product orbifold: increases c
3. Relate generating function to Siegel paramodular form: gives the mathematical control to extract spectrum.
4. Build a modular form that capture the light part of the CFT spectrum

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Stringy Examples

$$f(h) \sim e^{2\pi\nu_0 h}$$

$$\Rightarrow d_{\infty}^{\text{NS}}(h) \sim e^{2\pi\nu_0 h}$$

Promising
(semi-classical gravity)
Examples

$$f(h) \sim \delta_{h,h_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow d_{\infty}^{\text{NS}}(h) \sim e^{\sqrt{h}}$$

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Good news!

We can easily diagnose if a Symmetric Product Orbifold obeys holographic conditions.

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Needles in a haystack!

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What is the physics behind this classification!?

Constructing the CFT

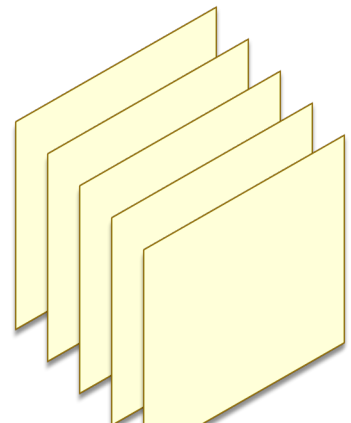
From the mathematical classification of Jacobi forms, there are two **necessary** properties on the seed:

1. SCFT with at least $N=(2,2)$ or more. Restricts b to divide t ,
2. Central charge is bounded,

$$c = 6 \frac{b^2}{t} \leq 6$$

Note:

$c \leq 6$ is a necessary condition for **both** the requirement of slow growth and marginal operators in the spectrum.

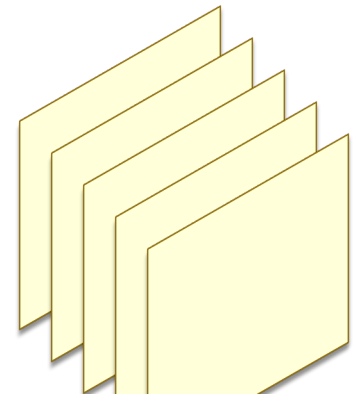


N=2 Minimal Models

What you need to know about SUSY Minimal Models:

- CFT₂ whose spectrum is built from a finite number of irreducible representations of the N=2 super-Virasoro algebra.
- Obey ADE classification.
- Central charge

$$c = \frac{3k}{k+2} < 3 \quad \text{where } k = 1, 2, \dots$$



Constructing the CFT

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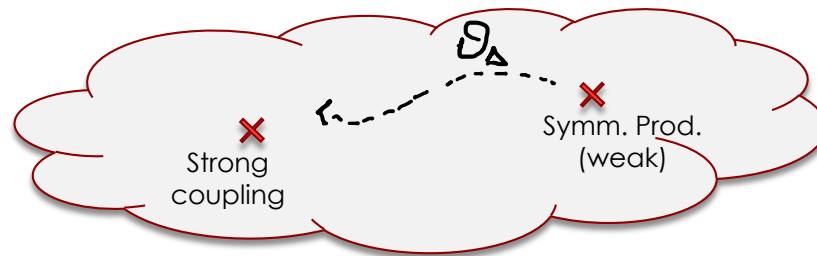
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Moduli

Marginal operators are crucial!
Symmetric product orbifold is the weakly coupled description.
These operators should drive the CFT_2 to strong coupling.



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- marginal operators: $(h, \bar{h}) = (1, 1)$
- SUSY: $G_{-1/2}^{\pm}$ descendants of (anti-)chiral primaries in NS sector with
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Seed data

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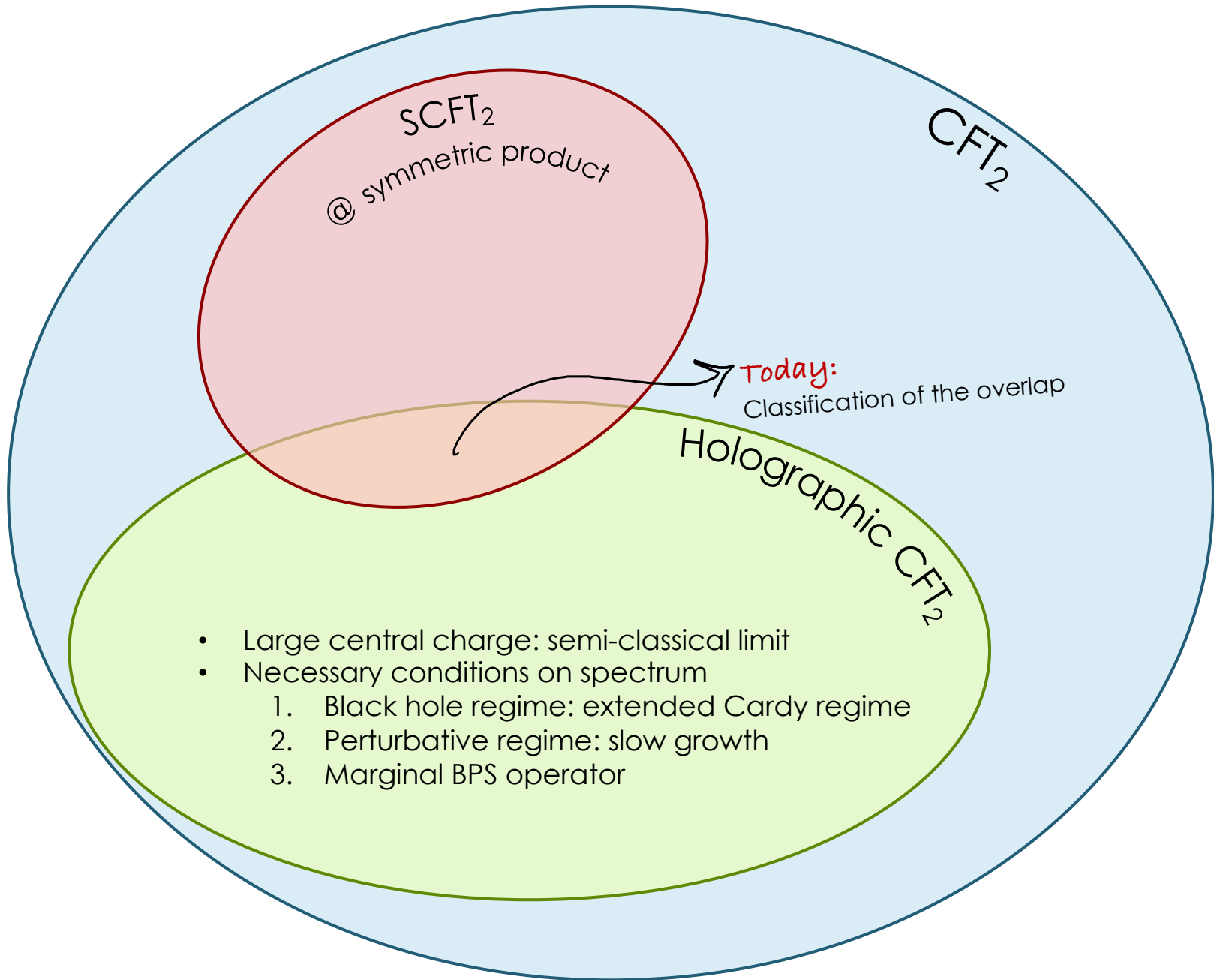
SymN of $\frac{1}{2}$ BPS states

$$\sum_{N=0}^{\infty} Z_{cc}^N(y, \bar{y}) p^N = \prod_{L=1}^{\infty} \prod_{Q, \bar{Q}} \frac{1}{(1 - p^L y^Q + cL/6 \bar{y}^{\bar{Q}} + cL/6)^{d(Q, \bar{Q})}}$$

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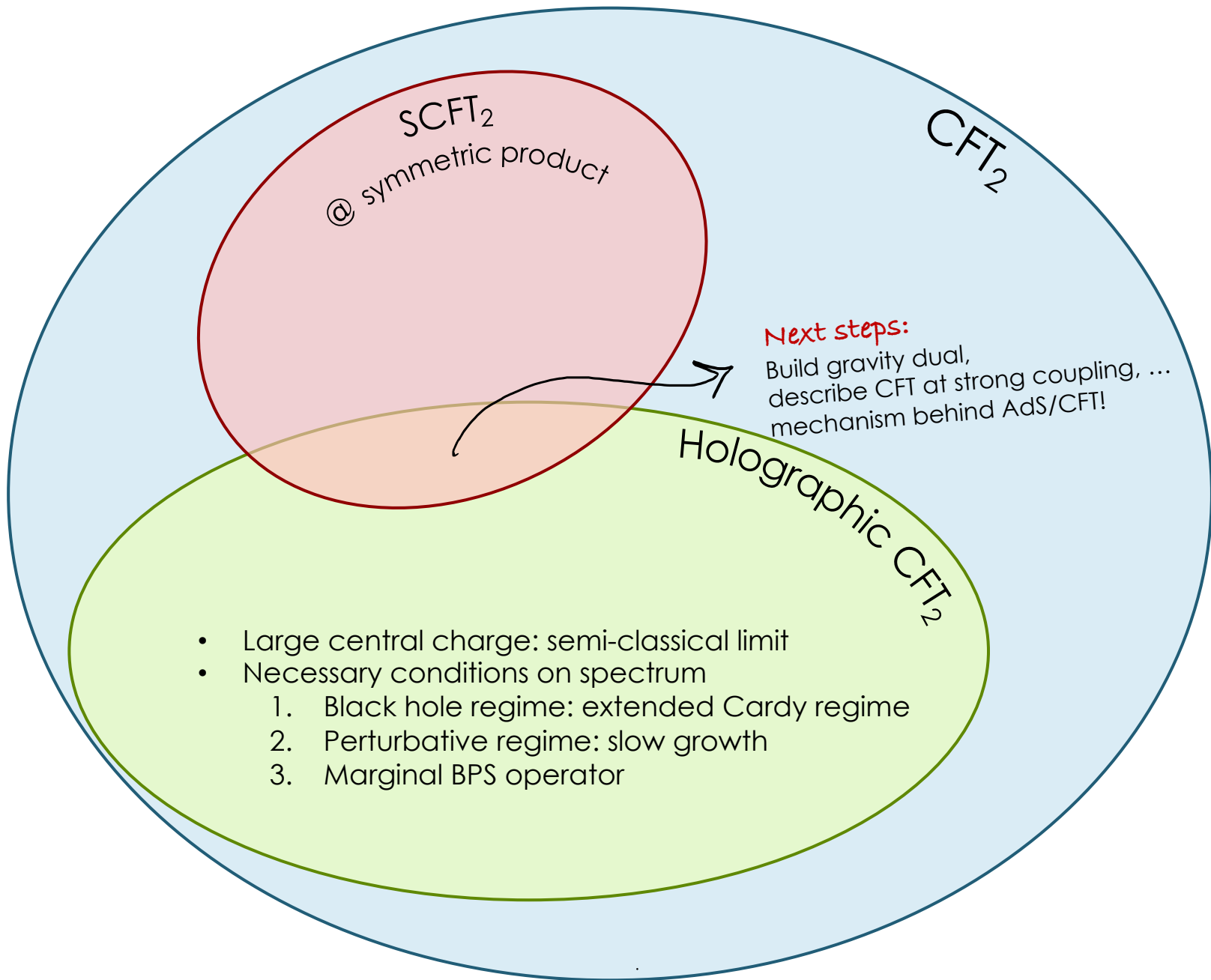
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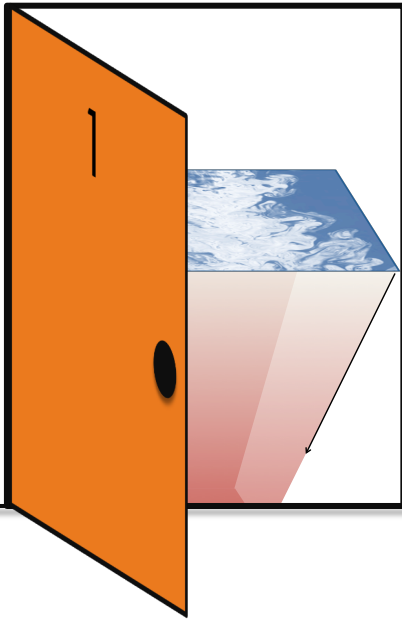
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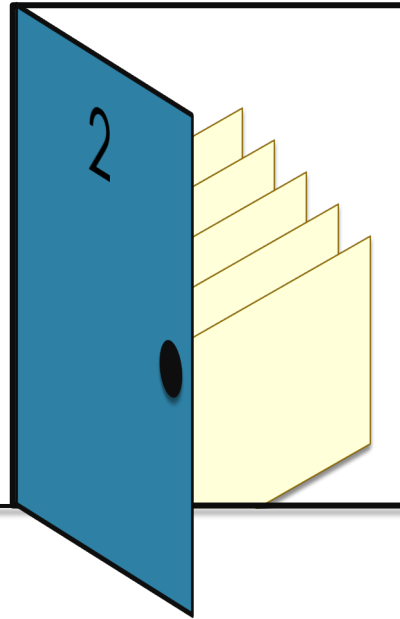
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describe CFT at strong coupling, ...
mechanism behind AdS/CFT!



Holographic
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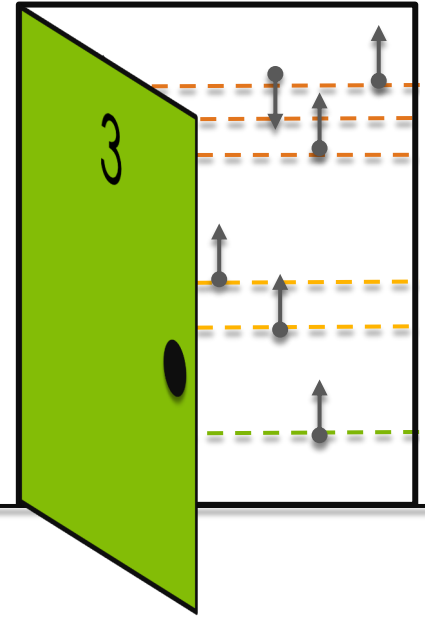
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Our Landscape



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