

Giant gravitons in Twisted Holography

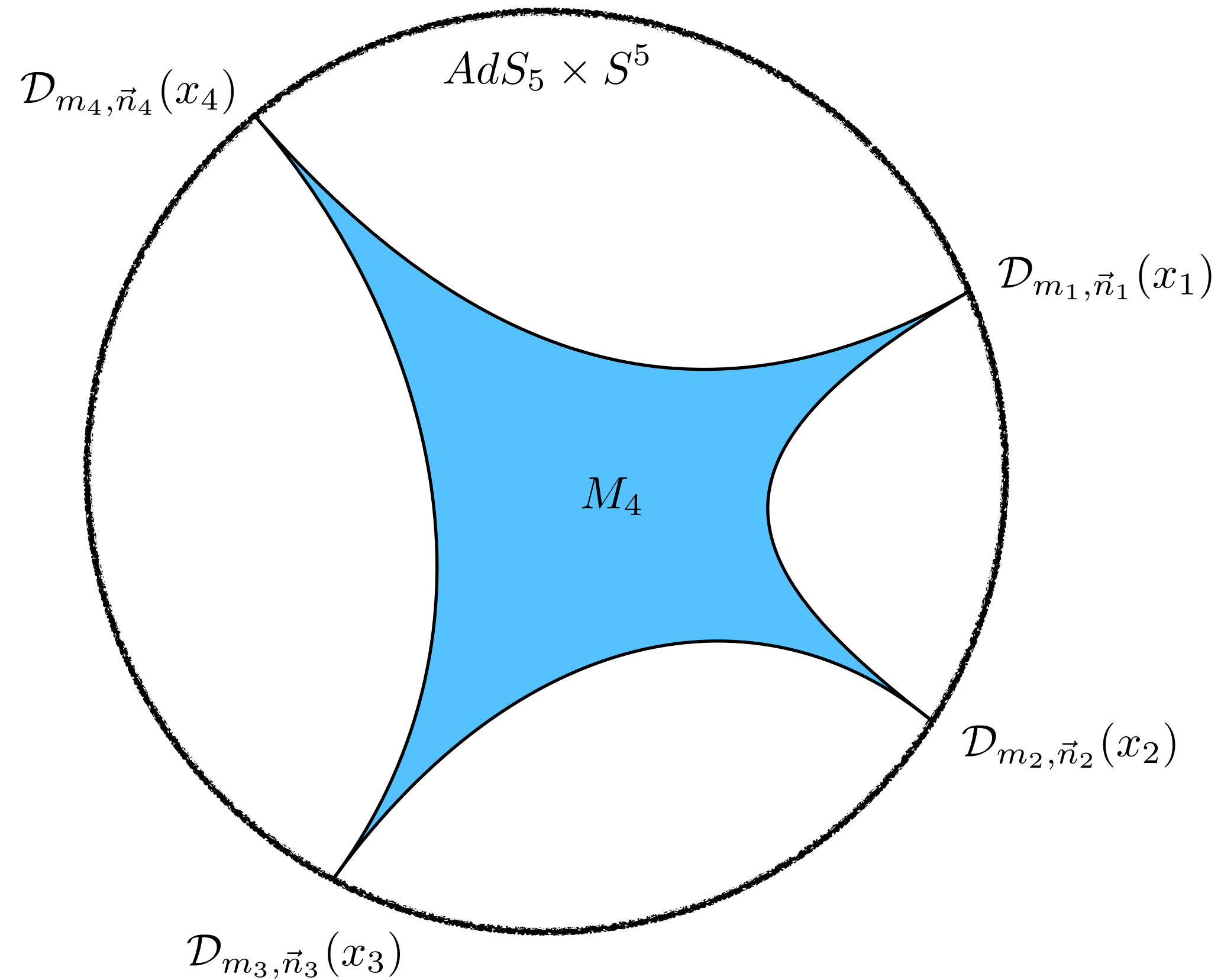
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Determinant operators

$$\mathcal{D}_{m,\vec{n}}(x) = \det \left[m 1_{N \times N} + \vec{n} \cdot \vec{\Phi}(x) \right] \quad m \in \mathbb{C} \quad \vec{n} \in \mathbb{C}^6 \quad \vec{n}^2 = 0$$

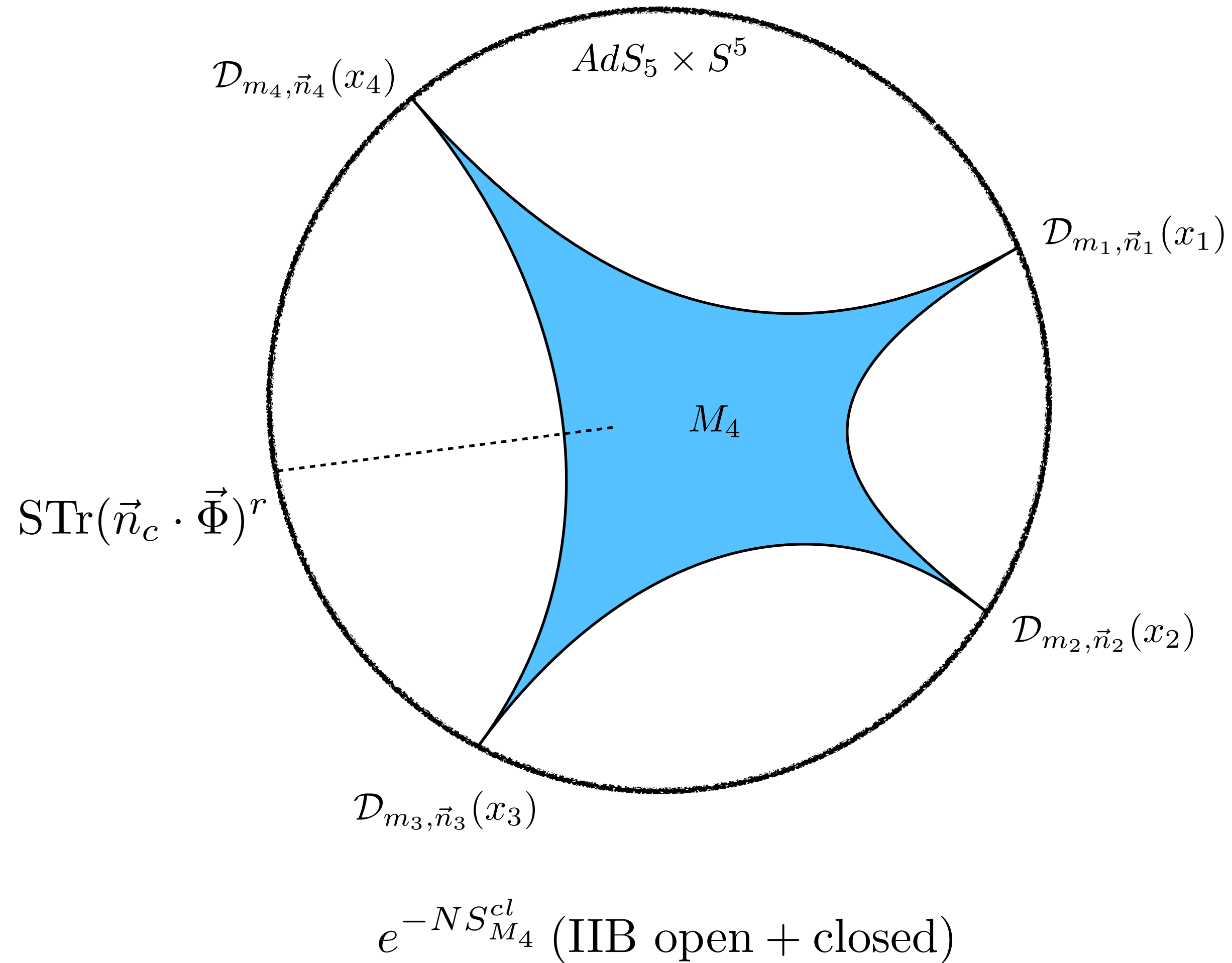
- Dual to the insertion of a “giant graviton” D3 brane at the boundary
- Wraps asymptotically $\mathbb{R}^+ \times S^3 \subset AdS_5 \times S^5$
- n determines orientation, m determines size
- Target: multi-determinant correlators at large N

D-brane saddles

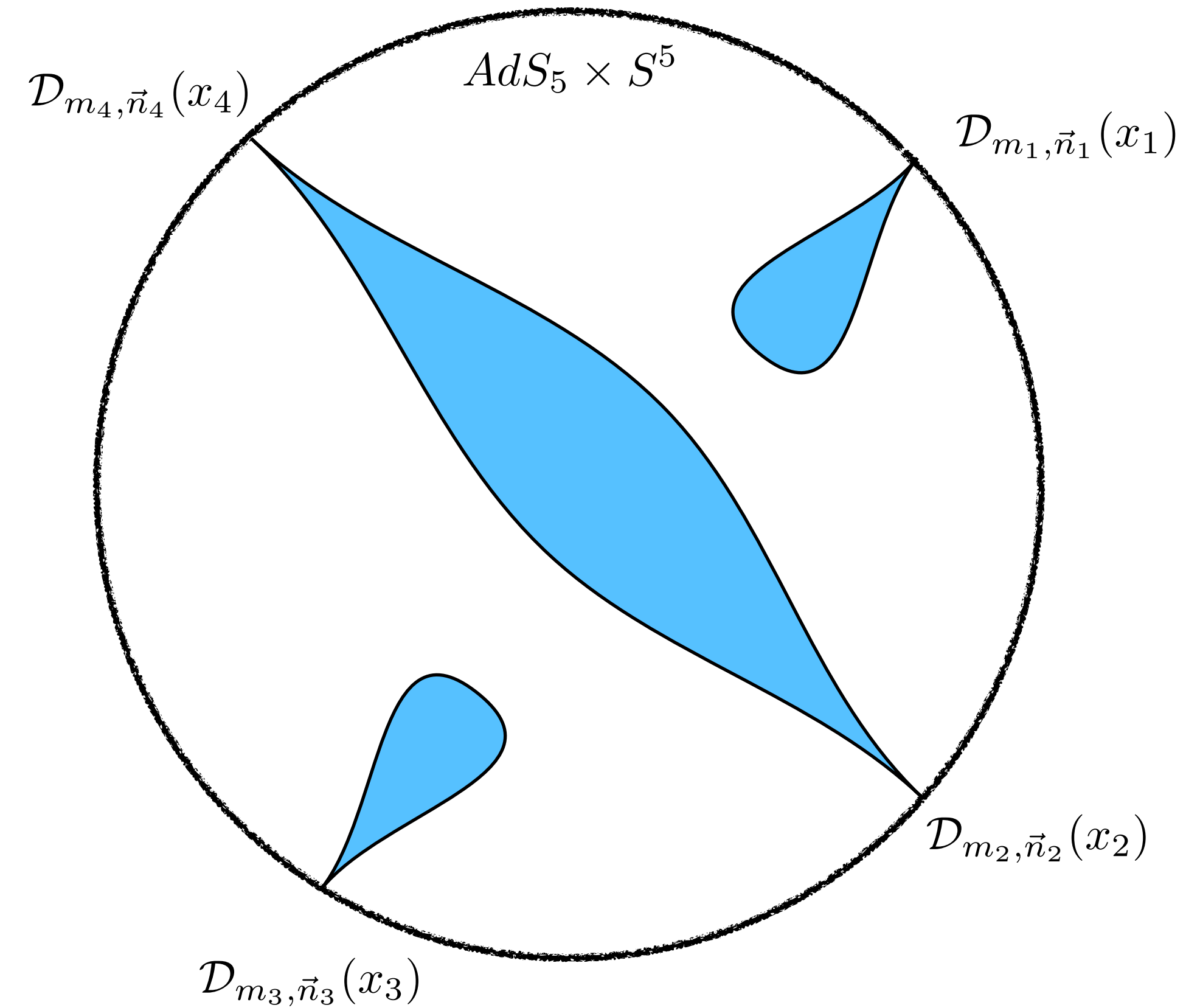
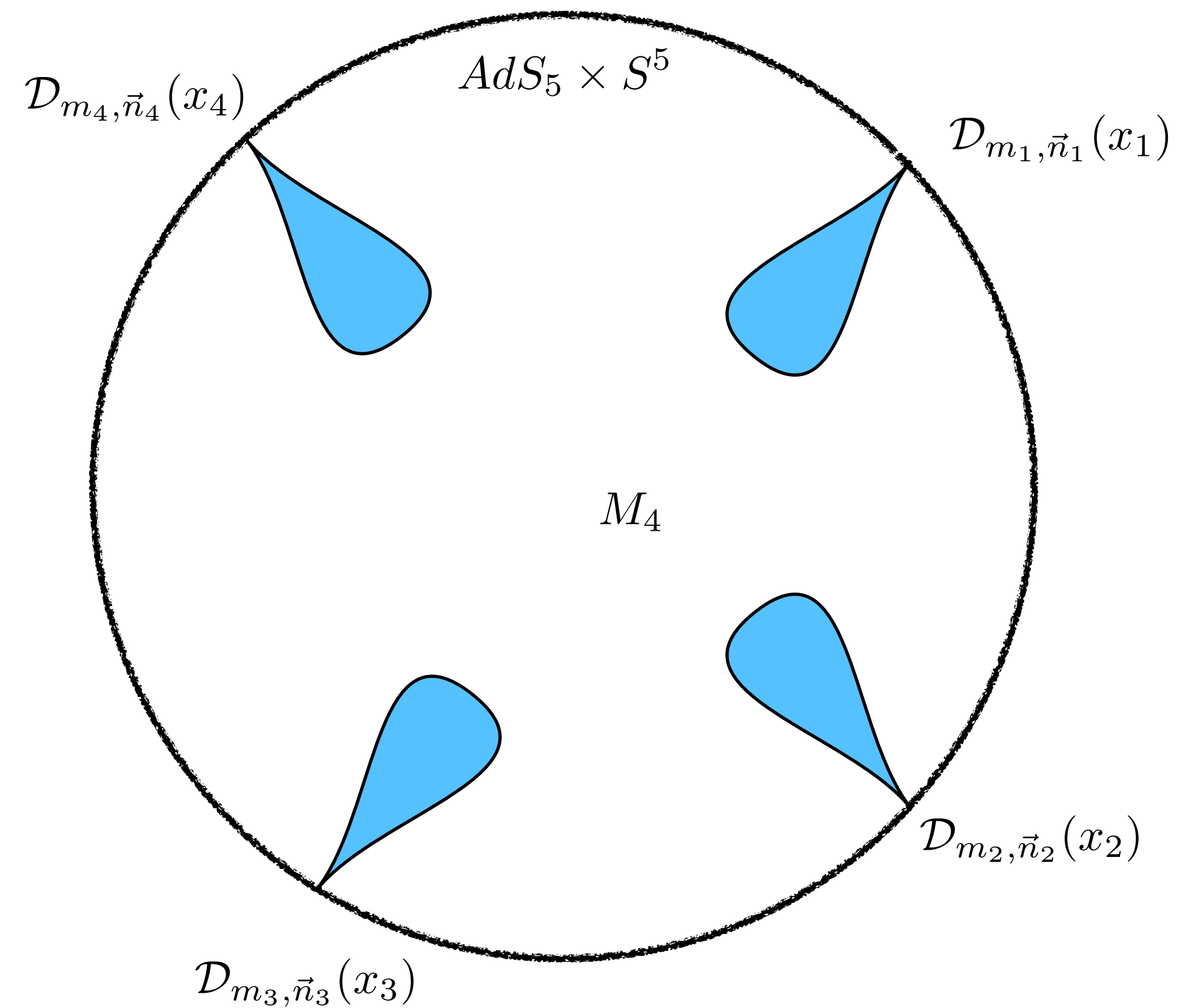


$$e^{-N S_{M_4}^{cl}} \text{ (IIB open + closed)}$$

D-brane saddles



Multiple saddles



Classical actions add up for disconnected branes

Chiral algebra subsector

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$$X(z) = \Phi_{++}(\text{Re } z, \text{Im } z, 0, 0) + \bar{z}\Phi_{-+}(\text{Re } z, \text{Im } z, 0, 0)$$

$$Y(z) = \Phi_{+-}(\text{Re } z, \text{Im } z, 0, 0) + \bar{z}\Phi_{--}(\text{Re } z, \text{Im } z, 0, 0)$$

- Free 2d chiral algebra correlation functions

$$\det [m \, 1_{N \times N} + X(z) + vY(z)]$$

- Twisted holography: dual reduces to B-model on $SL(2, \mathbb{C})$
- D3 branes \Rightarrow B-branes on holomorphic curve
 - Detailed dictionary not worked out!

Chiral algebra saddles

- Borrow free saddle analysis from [Jiang, Komatsu, Vescovi](#)
- Fermionize $\det [m1_{N \times N} + X(z) + vY(z)] = \int d\bar{\psi} d\psi e^{m\bar{\psi}\psi + \bar{\psi}(X(z) + vY(z))\psi}$
- integrate away 4d scalars, Hubbard Stratonovich
- Saddle equations for auxiliary matrix ρ of size k , admit factorized saddles
 - $[\zeta, \rho] + [\mu, \rho^{-1}] = 0 \quad \rho_{aa} = m_a \quad \zeta = \text{diag}(z_a) \quad \mu = \text{diag}(v_a) \quad (\rho^{-1})_{aa} = \frac{\partial S}{\partial m_a}$

A spectral curve

- Build commuting matrices

$$B(a) = a\mu - \rho$$

$$C(a) = a\zeta + \rho^{-1}$$

$$D(a) = a\zeta\mu + \rho^{-1}\mu - \zeta\rho$$

$$aD(a) - B(a)C(a) = 1$$

- Simultaneous eigenvalues (a,b,c,d) with $ad-bc=1$
 - Spectral curve in $SL(2,C)$

Spectral curve as a dual brane

- Passes multiple tests
 - Correct asymptotic shape at large a
 - Single trace insertion = B-model bulk-boundary propagator
 - Action of global symmetry algebra
 - One-loop check

To be done

- Is every curve a spectral curve? Checked only genus 0
- Subleading $1/N$ corrections
- Spectral curve \Rightarrow four-dimensional D3 brane shape
- Near-chiral algebra expansion?