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Redefine the dilaton,

$$\mathrm{e}^{-2d} = \sqrt{-g}\mathrm{e}^{-2\phi}$$

• Set a $(D+D) \times (D+D)$ symmetric matrix, Duff

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 \bullet Hereafter, A,B,\dots : 'doubled' (D+D) -dimensional vector indices, with D=10 for SUSY.



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$${\cal H}_{AB} \; \longrightarrow \; M_A{}^C M_B{}^D {\cal H}_{CD} \,, \qquad \qquad d \; \longrightarrow \; d \,,$$

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● O(*D*, *D*) metric,

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• By stating DFT lives on a D-dimensional null hyperplane, we mean that, the $\mathbf{O}(D,D)$ d'Alembert operator is trivial, acting on arbitrary fields as well as their products:

$$\partial_A \partial^A \Phi = 2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \tilde{x}_{\alpha} \partial x^{\mu}} \Phi \equiv 0 \,, \qquad \partial_A \Phi_1 \partial^A \Phi_2 \equiv 0 \quad : \quad \text{section condition}$$

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 Having all the 'right' field-variables prepared, we now discuss their derivatives or what we call, 'semi-covariant derivative'.

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By definition, the master derivative annihilates all the 'constants',

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including the gamma matrices,

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and as usual,

$$\Phi_{A}{}^{\alpha}{}_{\beta} = \tfrac{1}{4} \Phi_{A\rho q} (\gamma^{\rho q})^{\alpha}{}_{\beta} \,, \qquad \qquad \bar{\Phi}_{A}{}^{\bar{\alpha}}{}_{\bar{\beta}} = \tfrac{1}{4} \bar{\Phi}_{A\bar{\rho}\bar{q}} (\bar{\gamma}^{\bar{\rho}\bar{q}})^{\bar{\alpha}}{}_{\bar{\beta}} \,.$$

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Here

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and, with the corresponding derivative, $\nabla^0_A = \partial_A + \Gamma^0_A$,

$$\begin{split} &\Phi^0_{Apq} = V^B{}_p \nabla^0_A V_{Bq} = V^B{}_p \partial_A V_{Bq} + \Gamma^0_{ABC} V^B{}_p V^C{}_q \,, \\ &\bar{\Phi}^0_{A\bar{p}\bar{q}} = \bar{V}^B{}_{\bar{p}} \nabla^0_A \bar{V}_{B\bar{q}} = \bar{V}^B{}_{\bar{p}} \partial_A \bar{V}_{B\bar{q}} + \Gamma^0_{ABC} \bar{V}^B{}_{\bar{p}} \bar{V}^C{}_{\bar{q}} \,. \end{split}$$

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further obeys

$$\Gamma^0_{ABC} + \Gamma^0_{BCA} + \Gamma^0_{CAB} = 0 \,, \label{eq:cab}$$

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Semi-covariant curvature

The usual curvatures for the three connections,

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Truncation to N = 1 D = 10 SDFT [1112.0069]

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