

# *Decay of False Vacua via Impurities in String Theories*

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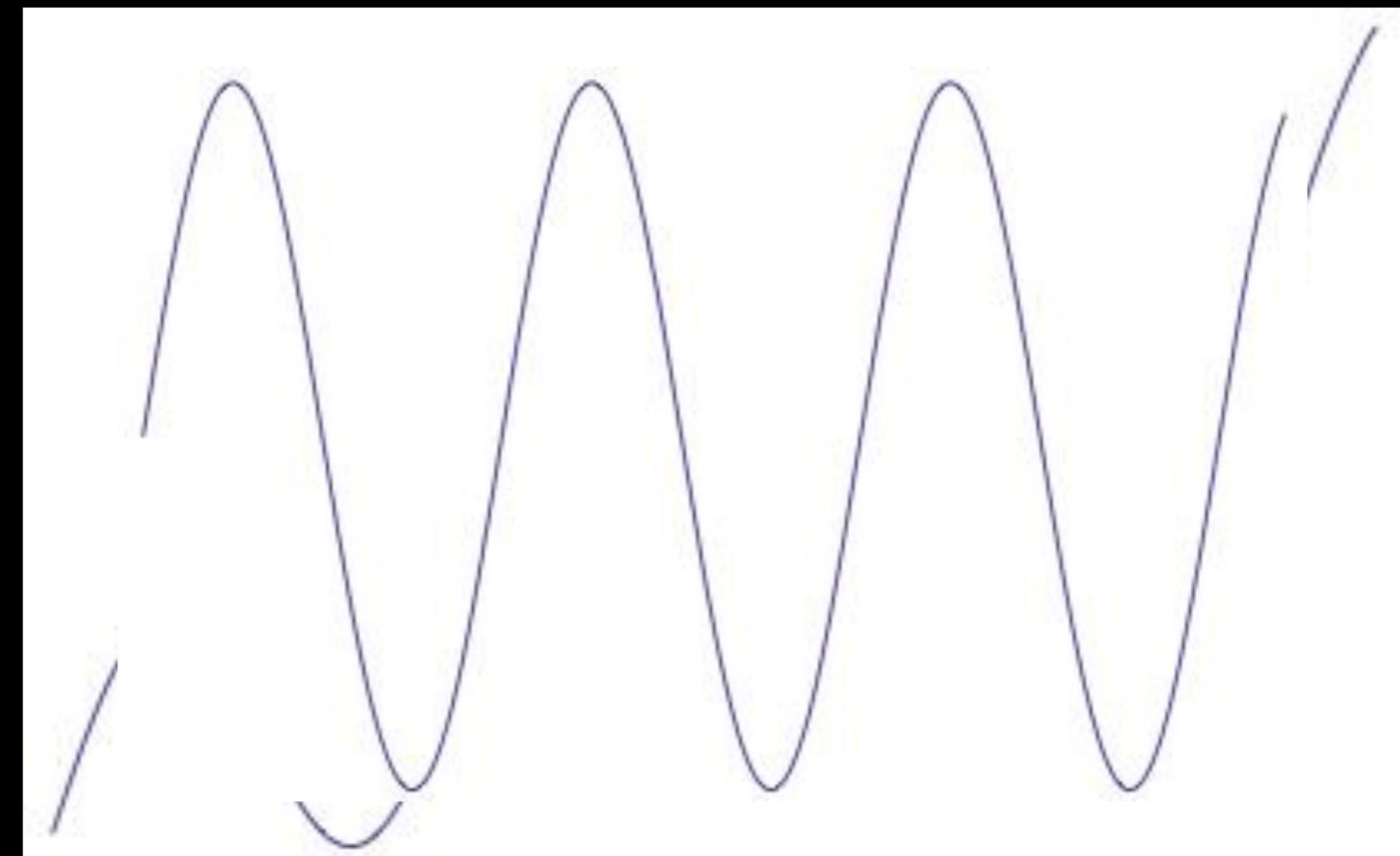
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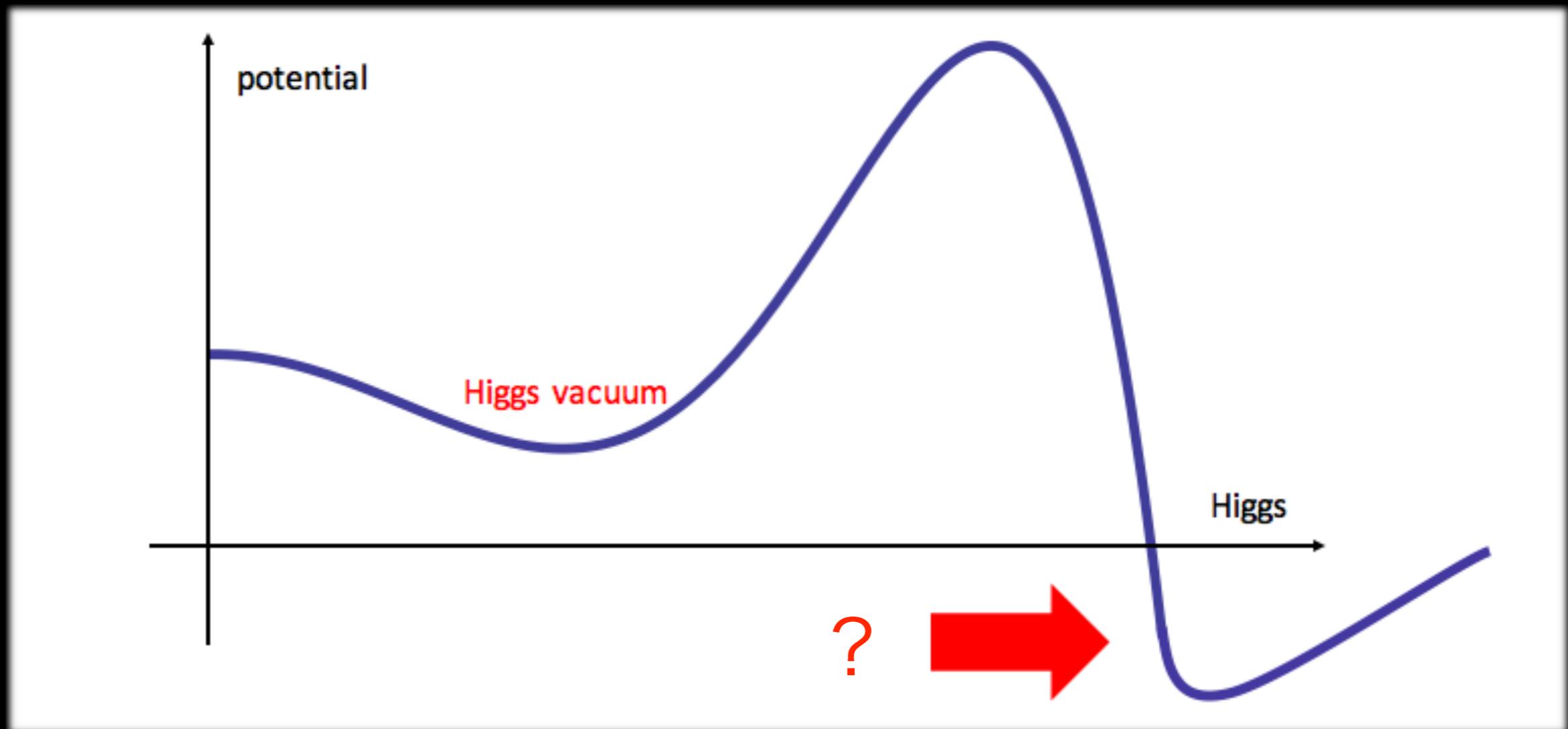
# SUSY GUT



$SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$

$SU(4) \times U(1)$

# Higgs Vacuum



# Field theory analysis

Original Idea:

P. J. Steinhardt, '81 and Y. Hosotani '83

# Simple Toy model

Eto, Hamada, Kamada, Kobayashi, Ohashi, YO, '13

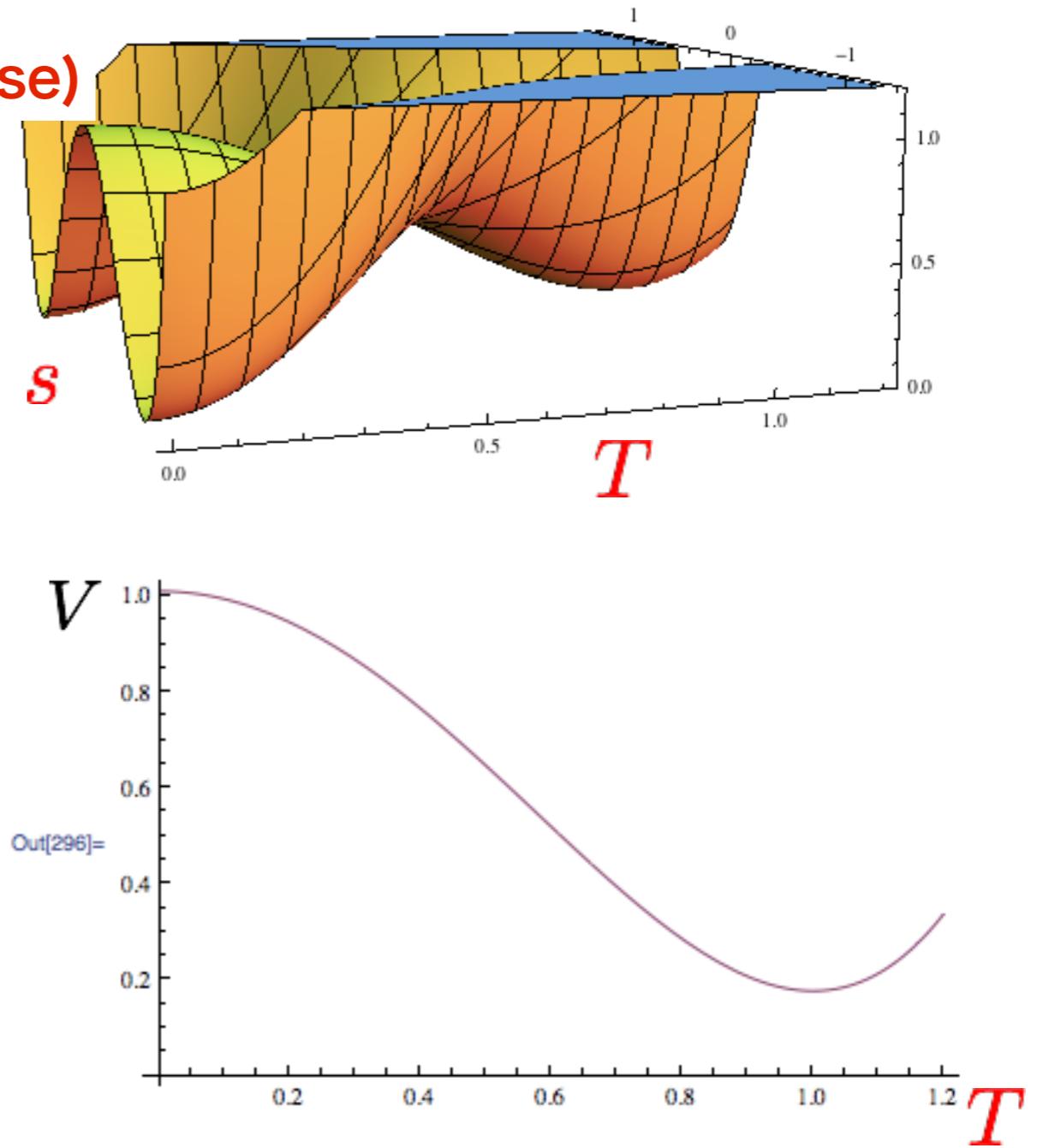
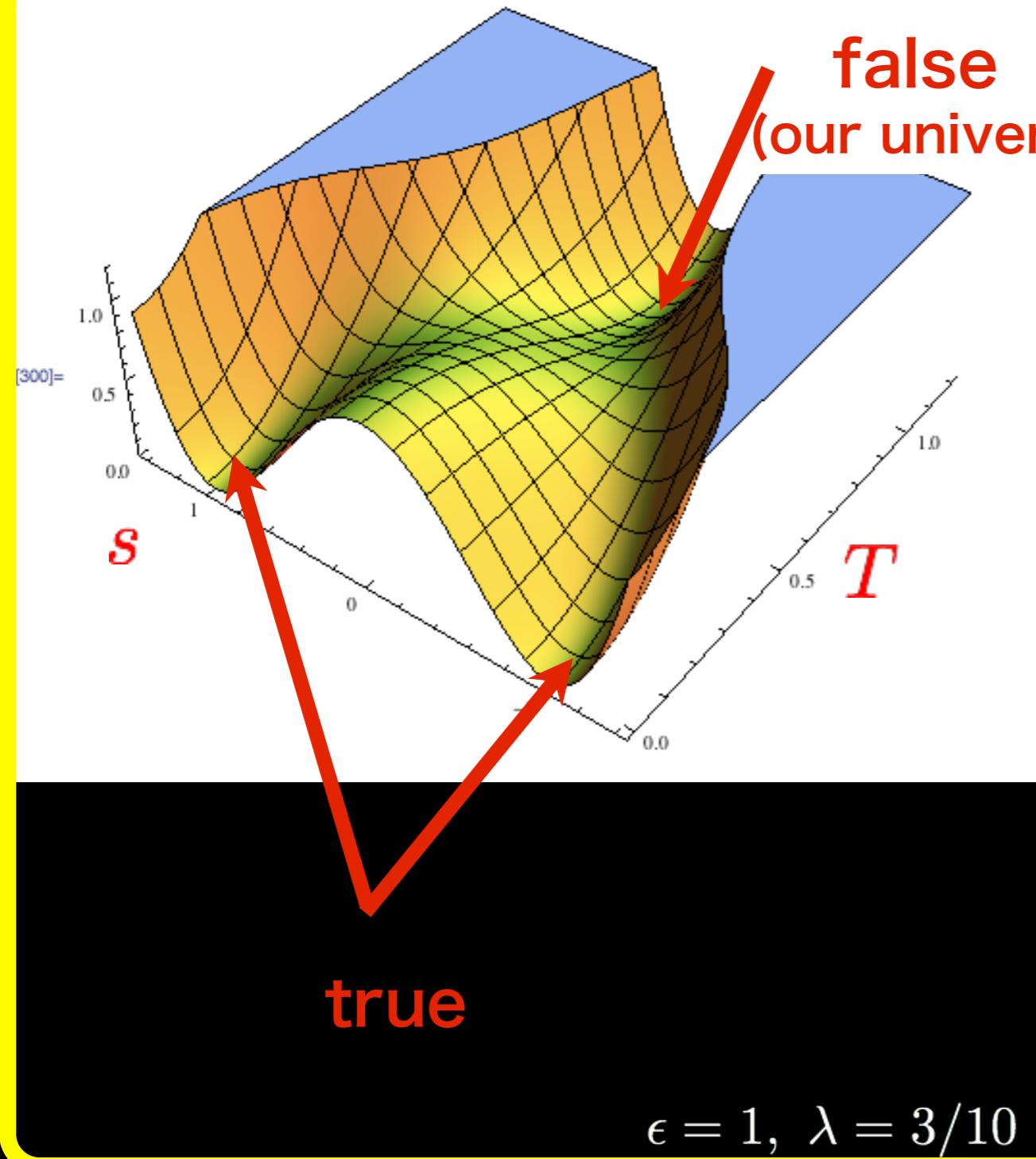
$$\mathcal{L} = \mu^4 \left[ \frac{1}{\mathcal{V}(T)} |\tilde{\partial}_\mu T|^2 + \epsilon^2 |\tilde{\partial}_\mu s|^2 - \mathcal{V}(T) |s^2 - 1|^2 - \frac{4}{\epsilon^2} |T|^2 |s|^2 \right].$$

mass dim

$$\mathcal{V}(T) \equiv 1 - \frac{|T|^2}{2\lambda} + \frac{|T|^4}{4\lambda}.$$

- 2 dim-less fields  $T, s$
- 2 dim-less parameters  $\lambda, \epsilon$

# Landscape of vacua



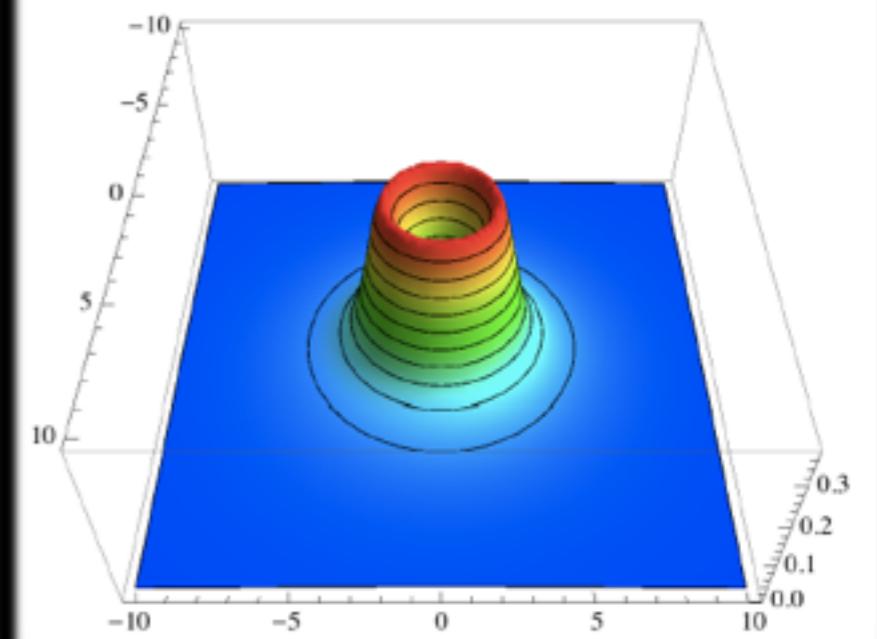
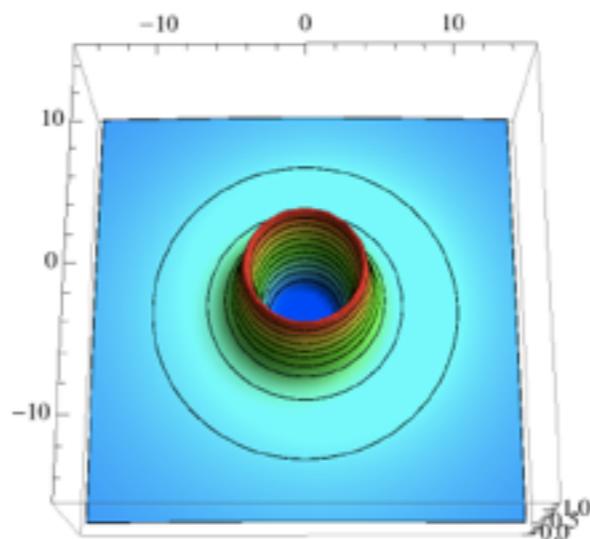
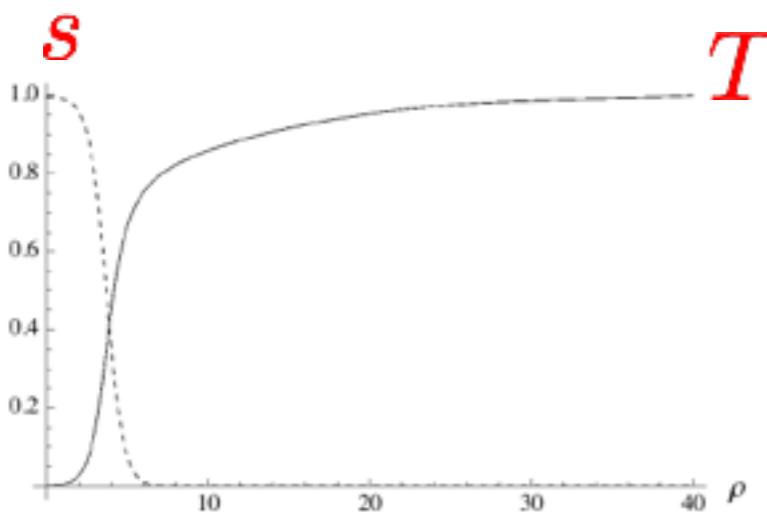
# Cosmic R-string (R-tube) solution

$$T = f(\rho)e^{in\theta}, \quad s = \gamma h(\rho),$$

winding number

two vacua

$$\epsilon = 1, \quad \lambda = 27/100$$

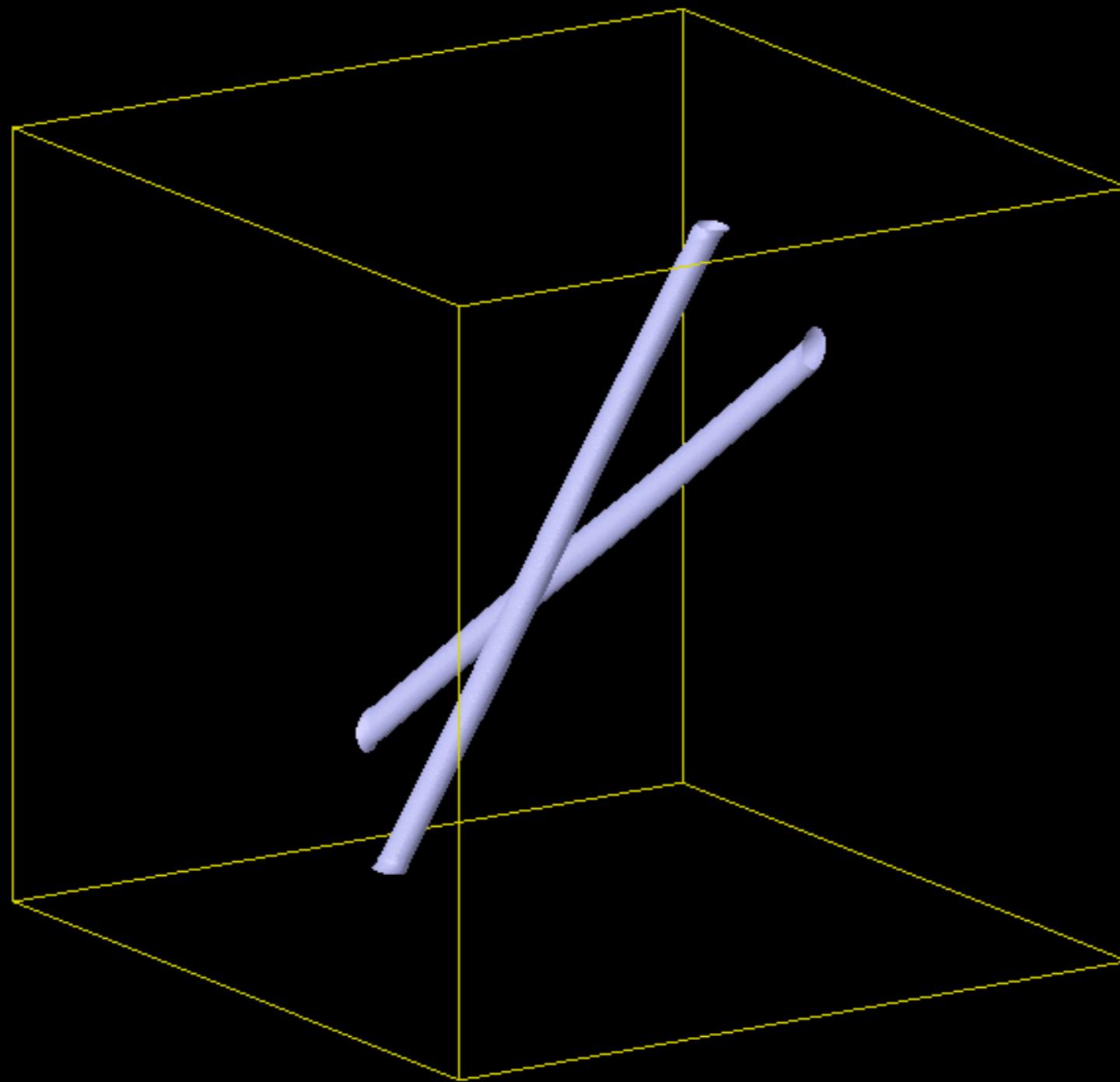


# String collision

## Numerical simulation

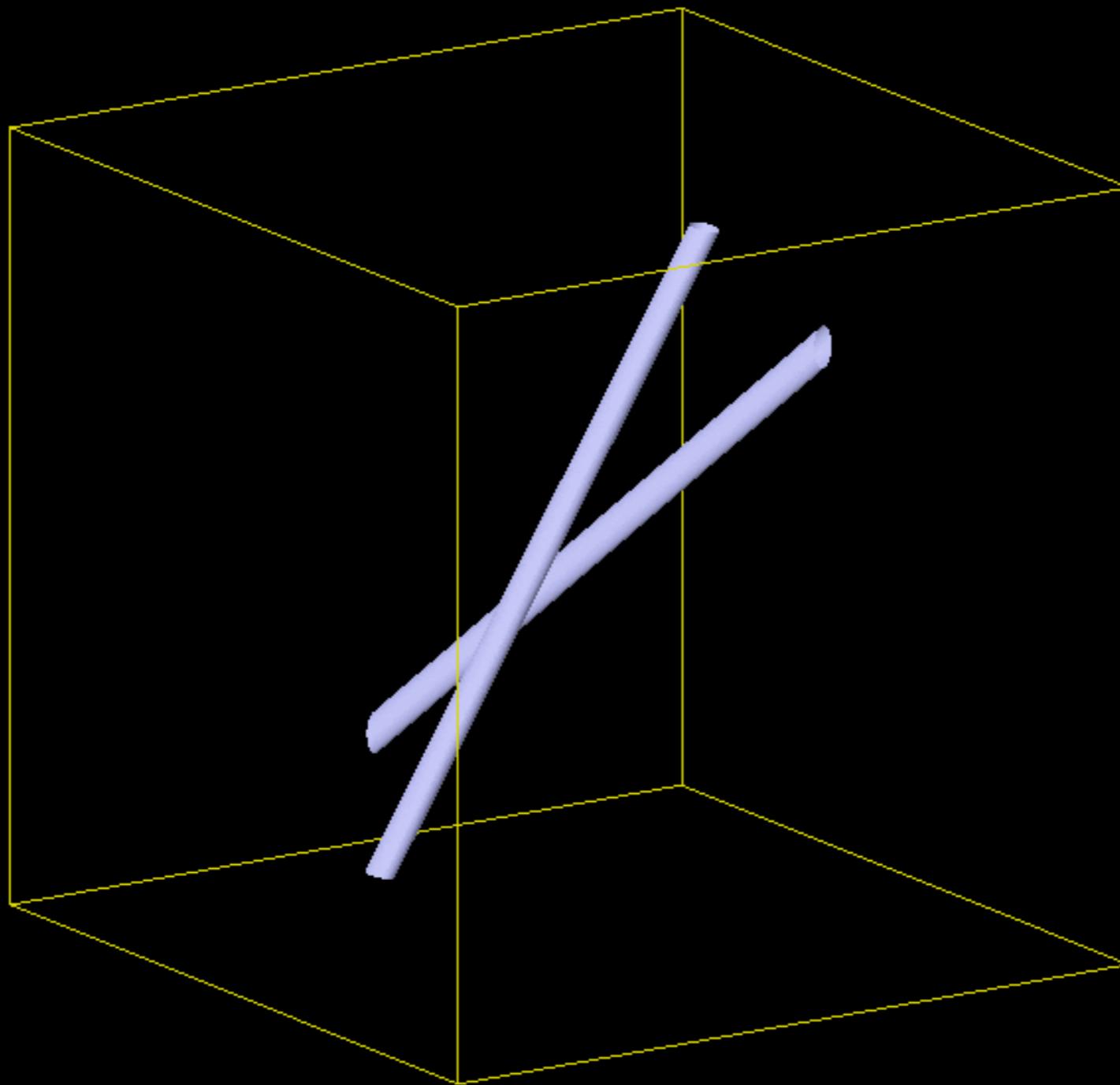
# String( $n=1$ )/String( $n=1$ ) collision 60% speed of light

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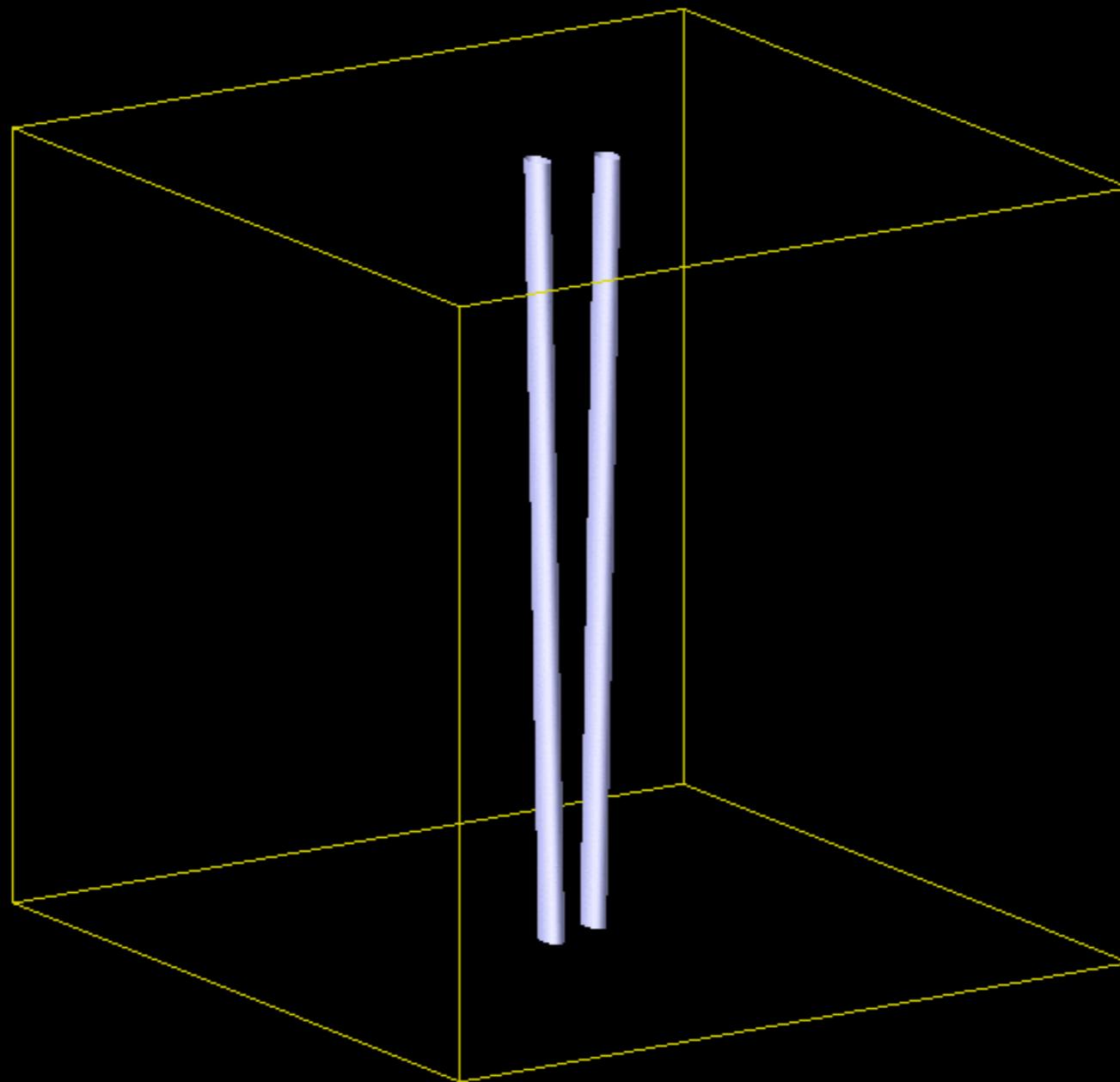


# String(n=1)/String(n=1) collision 80% speed of light, **large angle**

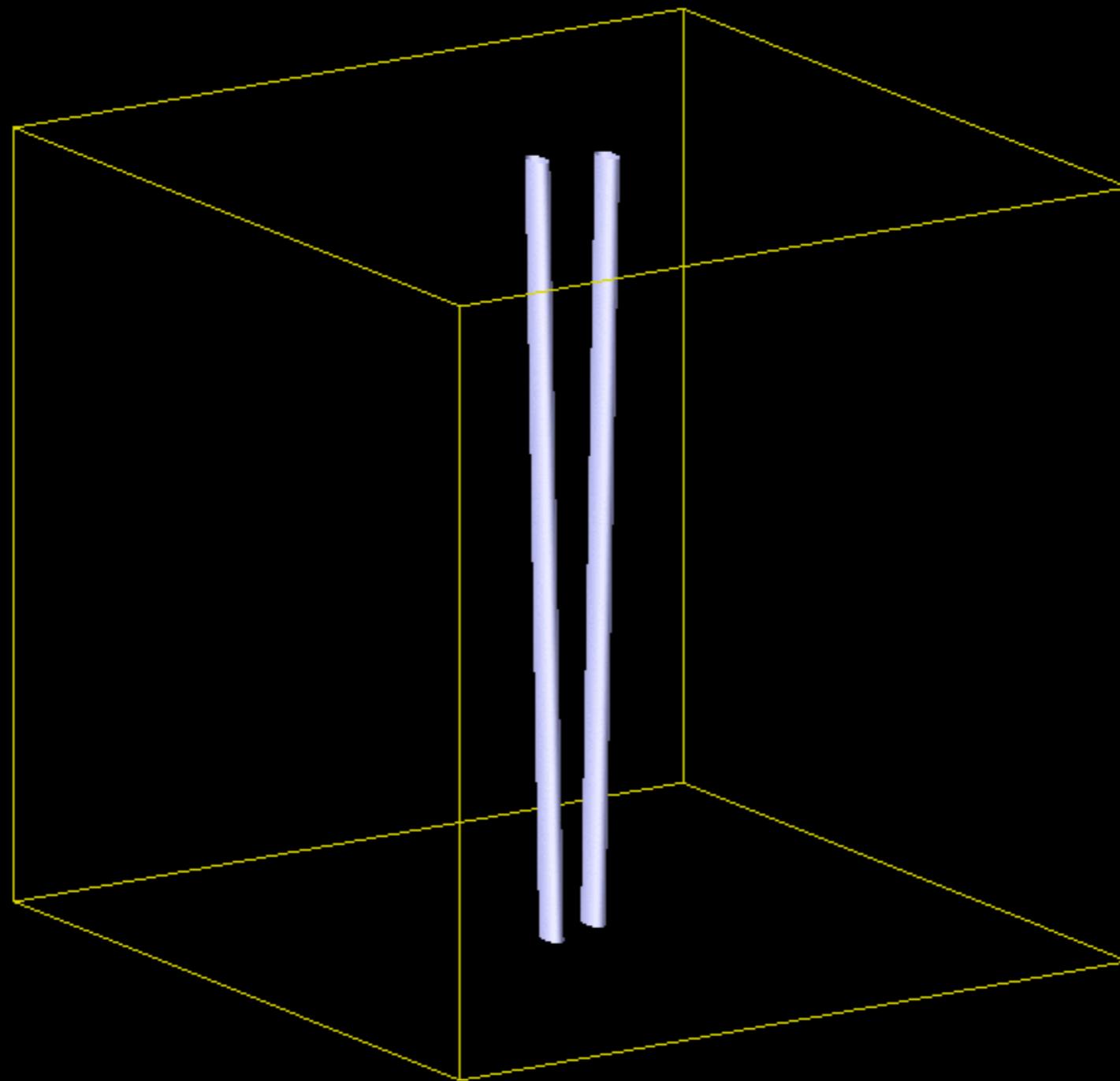
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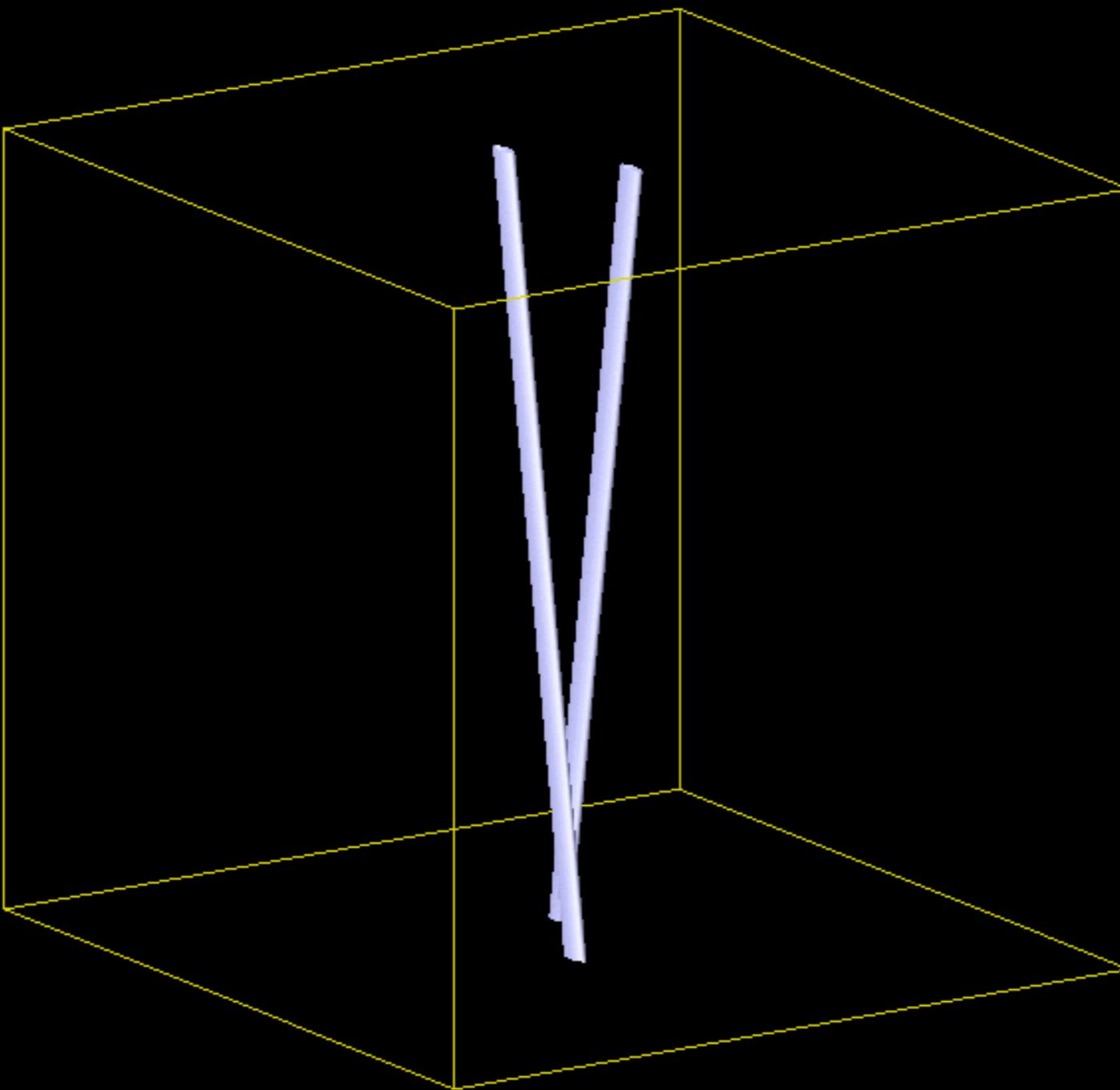
String(n=1) / String(n=1) collision  
80% speed of light, **small angle**



String(n=1)/String(n=1) collision  
86% speed of light

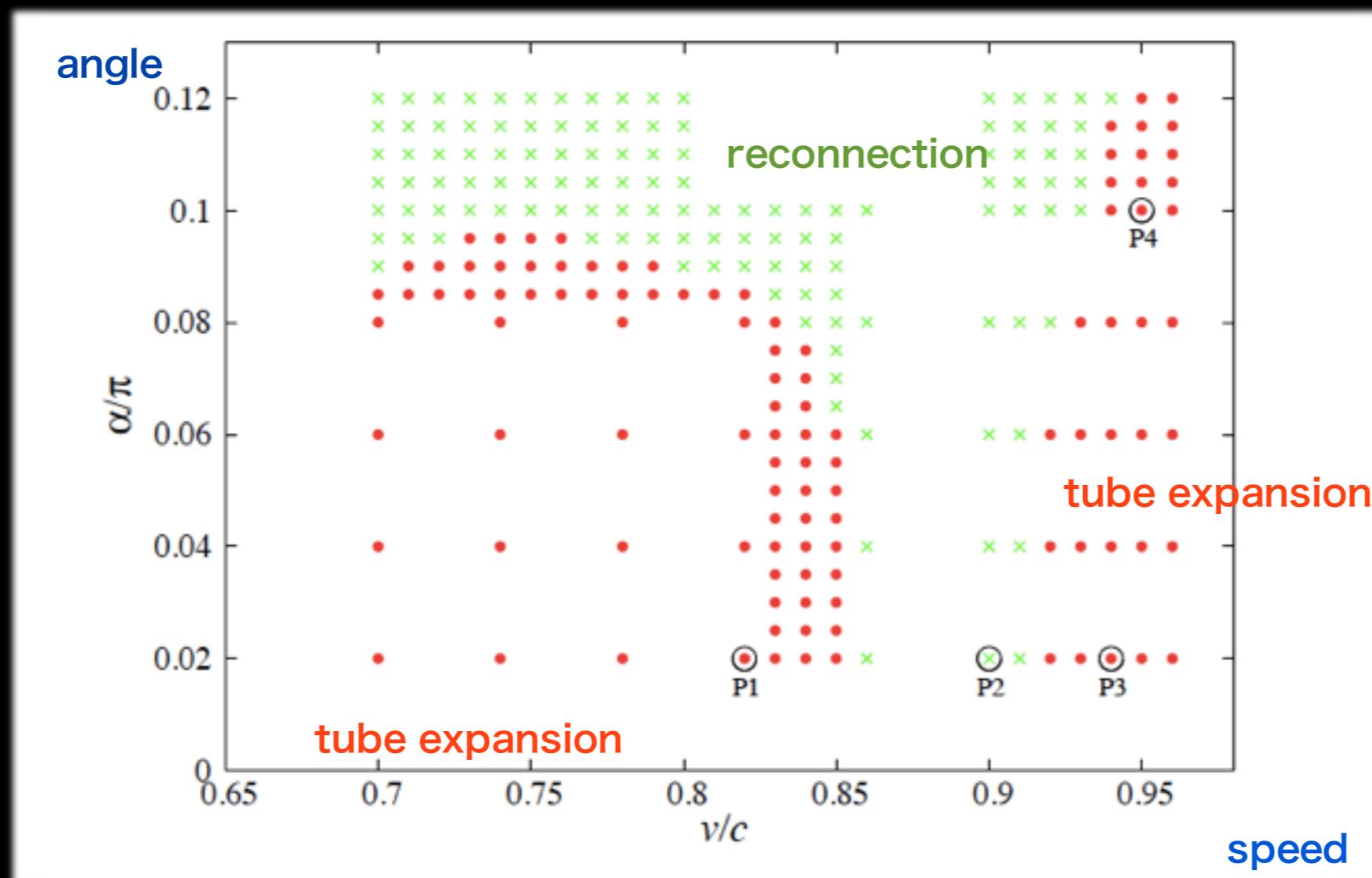


String(n=1) / String(n=1) collision  
94% speed of light

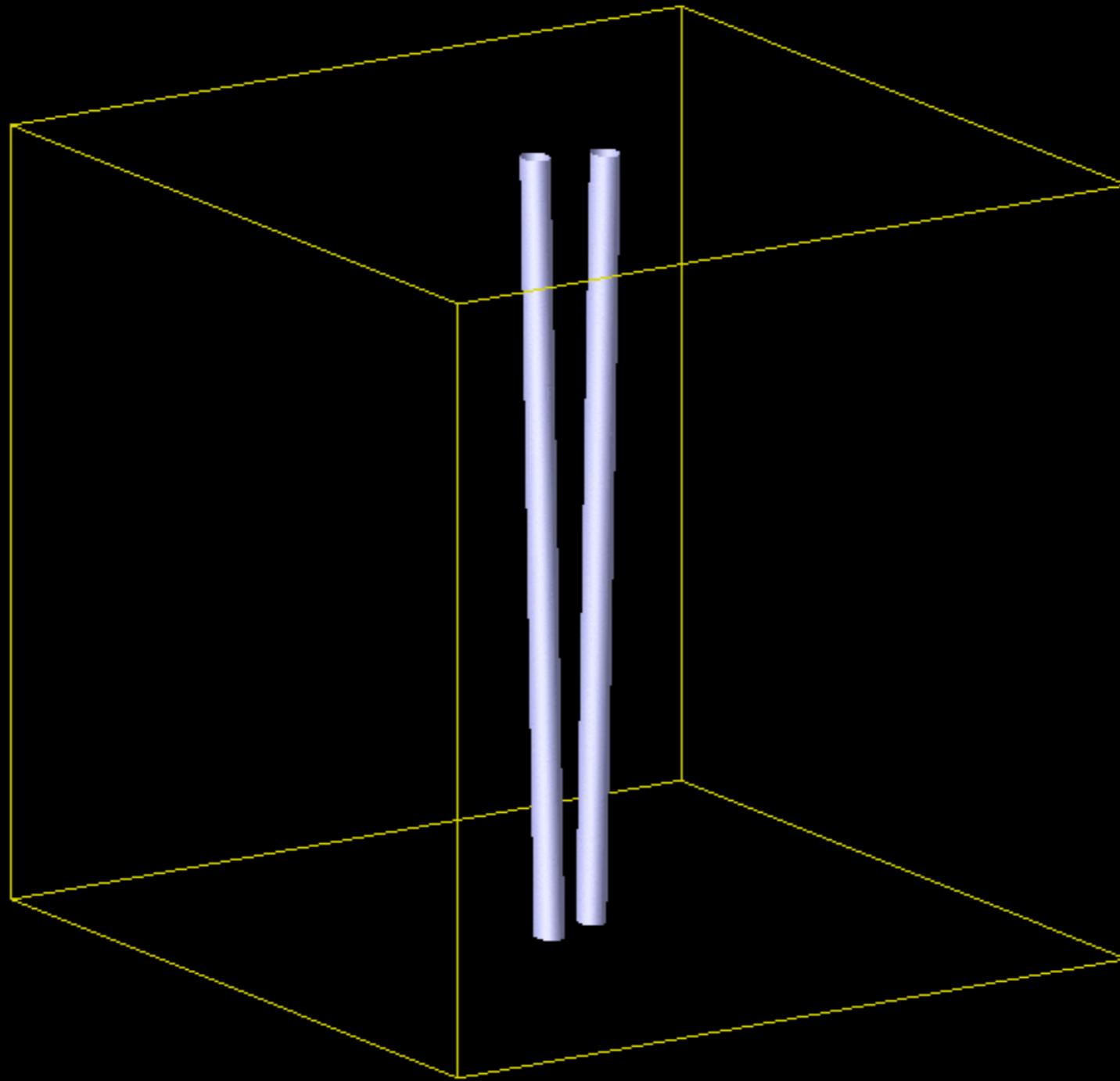


# String/String collision

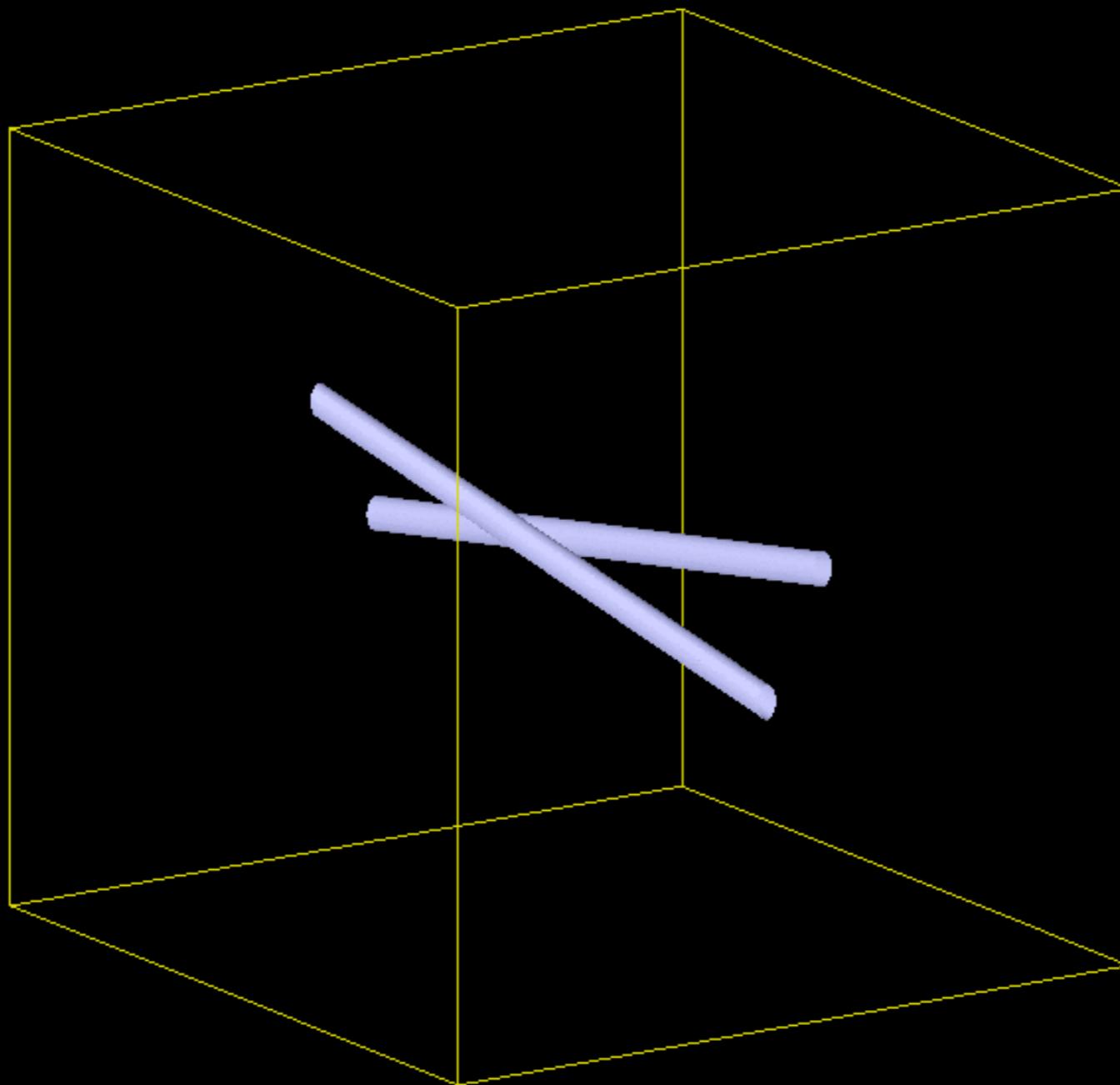
we observed three patterns



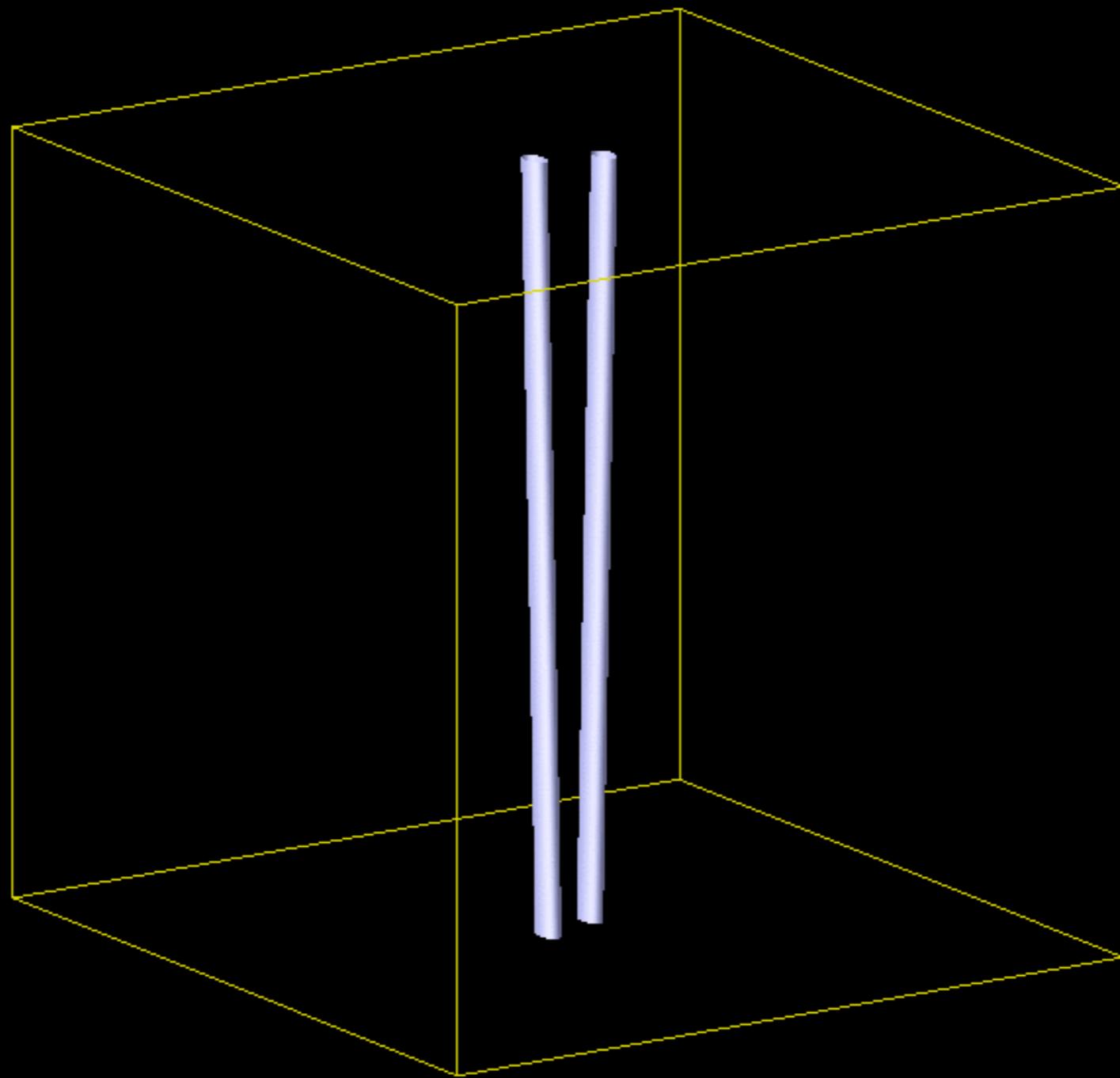
# String( $n=1$ )/Anti-String( $n=-1$ ) collision 60% speed of light



String( $n=1$ )/Anti-String( $n=-1$ ) collision  
80% speed of light, **large angle**

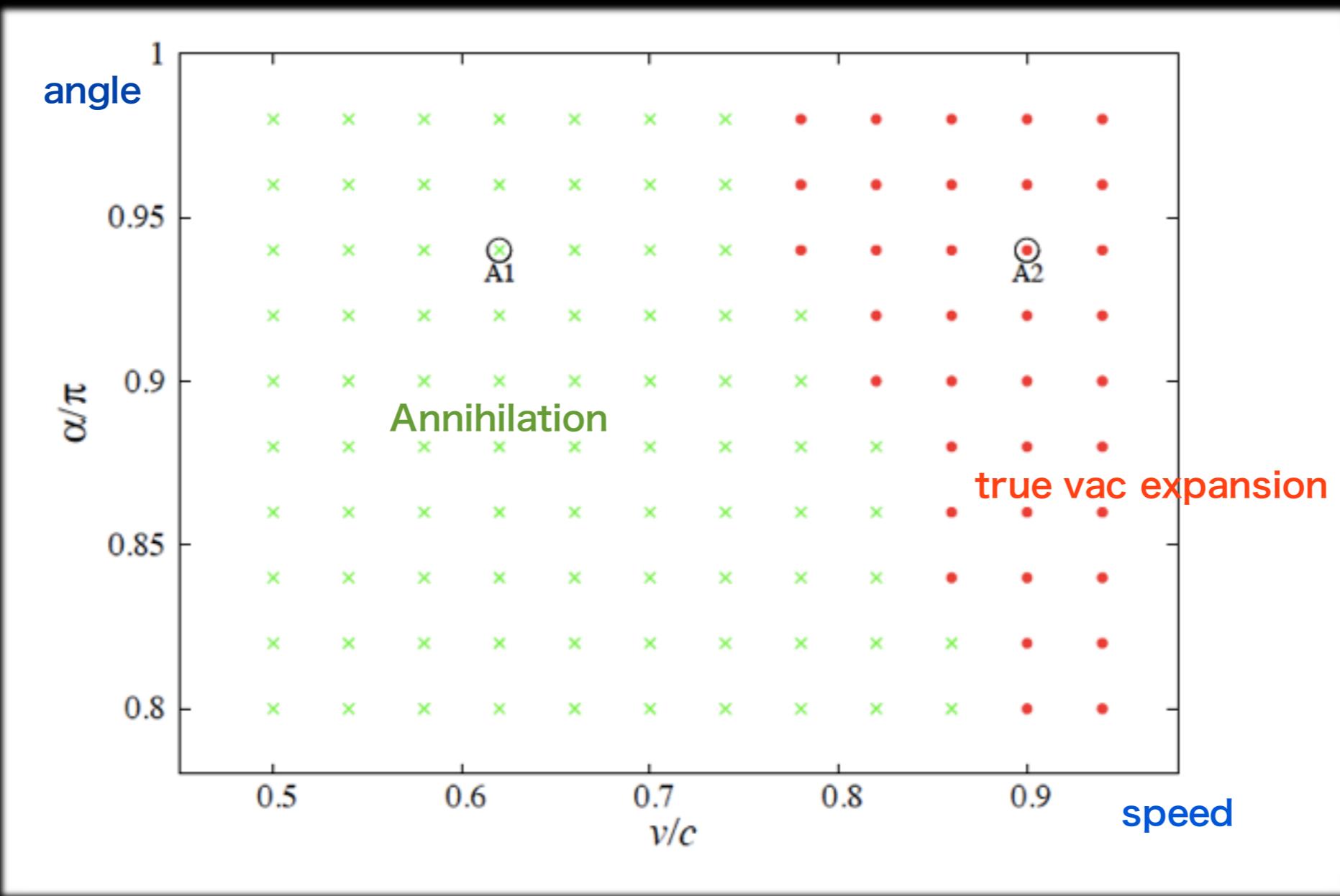


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80% speed of light, **small angle**



# String/Anti-string collision

we observed two patterns



# Application to String Theory

# Type IIB String Theory compactified on Calabi-Yau manifold

# Set up of geometry

M. Aganagic, C. Beem, J. Seo and C. Vafa, Nucl. Phys. B 789, 382 (2008)

Kasai, YO 16

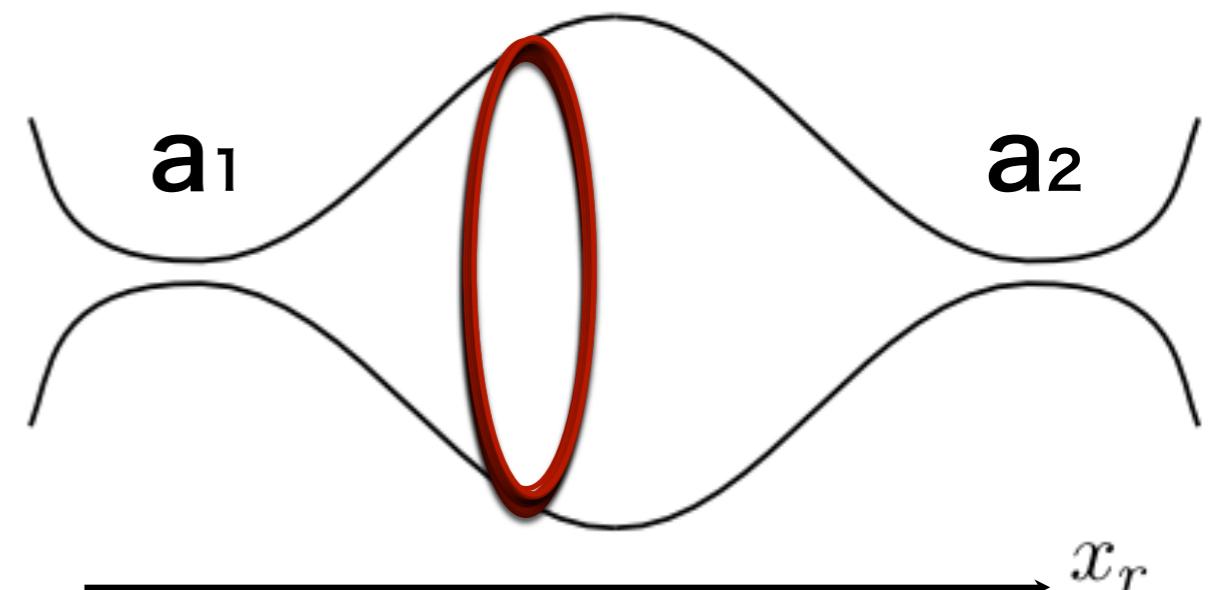
Use the Calabi-Yau manifold

$$W'(x)^2 + y^2 + z^2 + w^2 = 0 \quad W'(x) = g(x - a_1)(x - a_2).$$

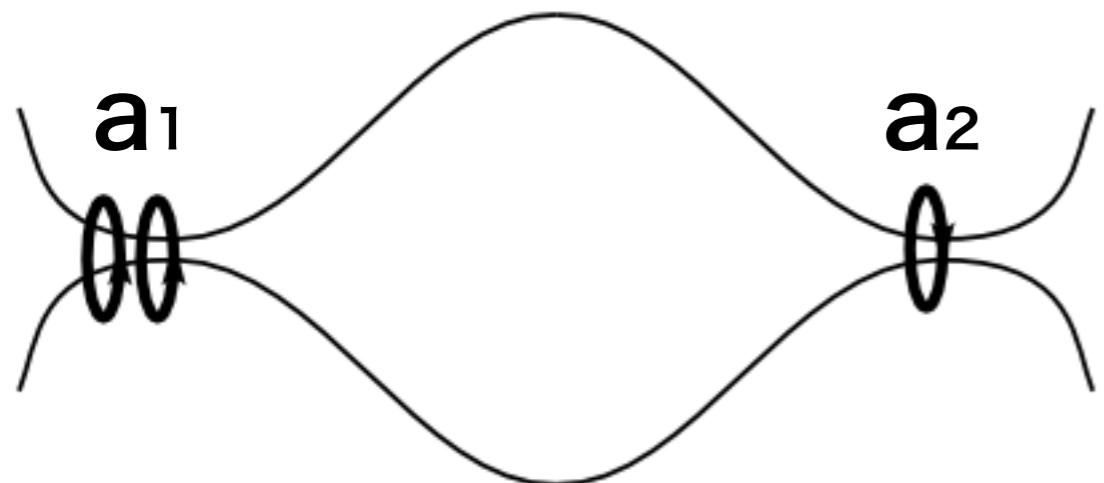
Important 3-dim sub-manifold

$$y_i^2 + z_i^2 + w_i^2 = g^2(x_r - a_1)^2(x_r - a_2)^2$$

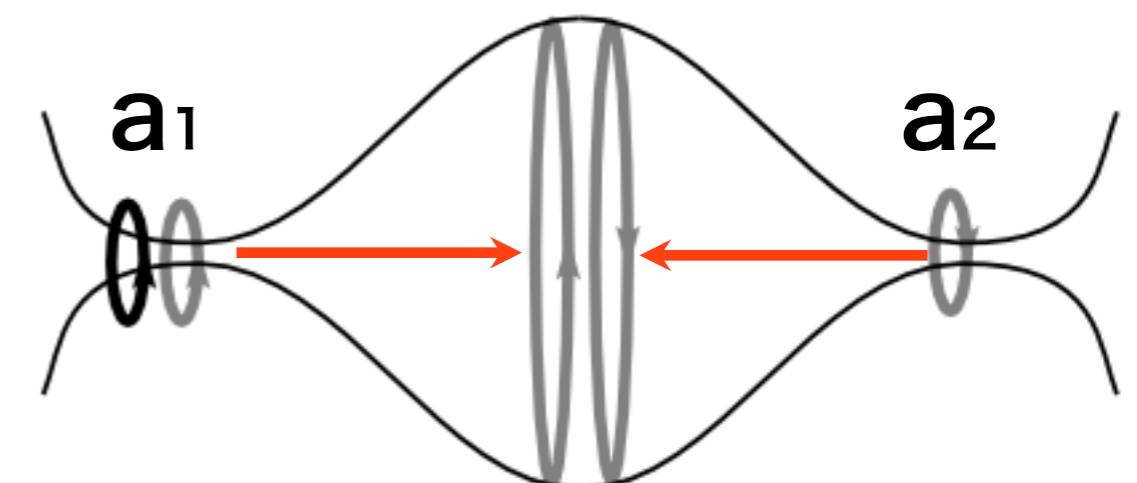
3-cycle=set of  $S^2$



# True and false vacua



false vacuum



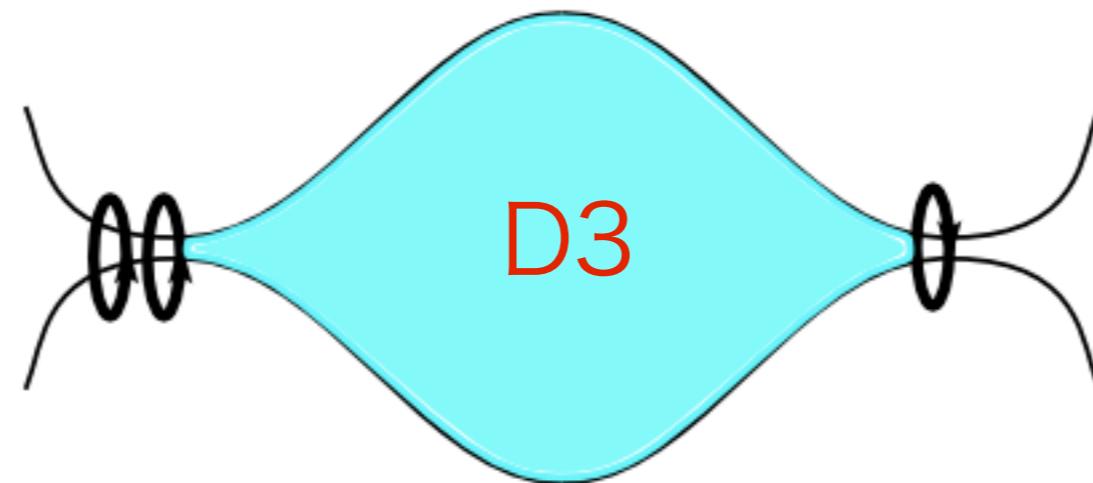
true vacuum

Wrapping  $n$  D5 branes at  $a_1$

Wrapping  $n$  anti-D5 branes at  $a_2$

→ D5/anti-D5  
annihilation

# Add D3 brane as an impurity



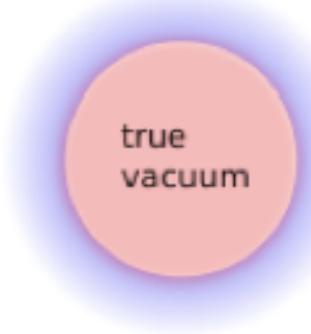
D3 plays a role of monopole

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
D3	○	×	×	×	○	○	○	×	×	×
DW	○	△	△	△	○	○	○	×	×	×

# Bound state of D3/DWD5

**bound state energy**

$$E_{D5/D3} = \sqrt{(T_{D5} 4\pi R^2 V_3)^2 + (n_{D3} T_{D3} V_3)^2}.$$



**total energy of system**

$$E_{\text{total}} = \sqrt{(T_{D5} 4\pi R^2 V_3)^2 + (n_{D3} T_{D3} V_3)^2} - \frac{4\pi}{3} \Delta V R^3 + \text{const},$$

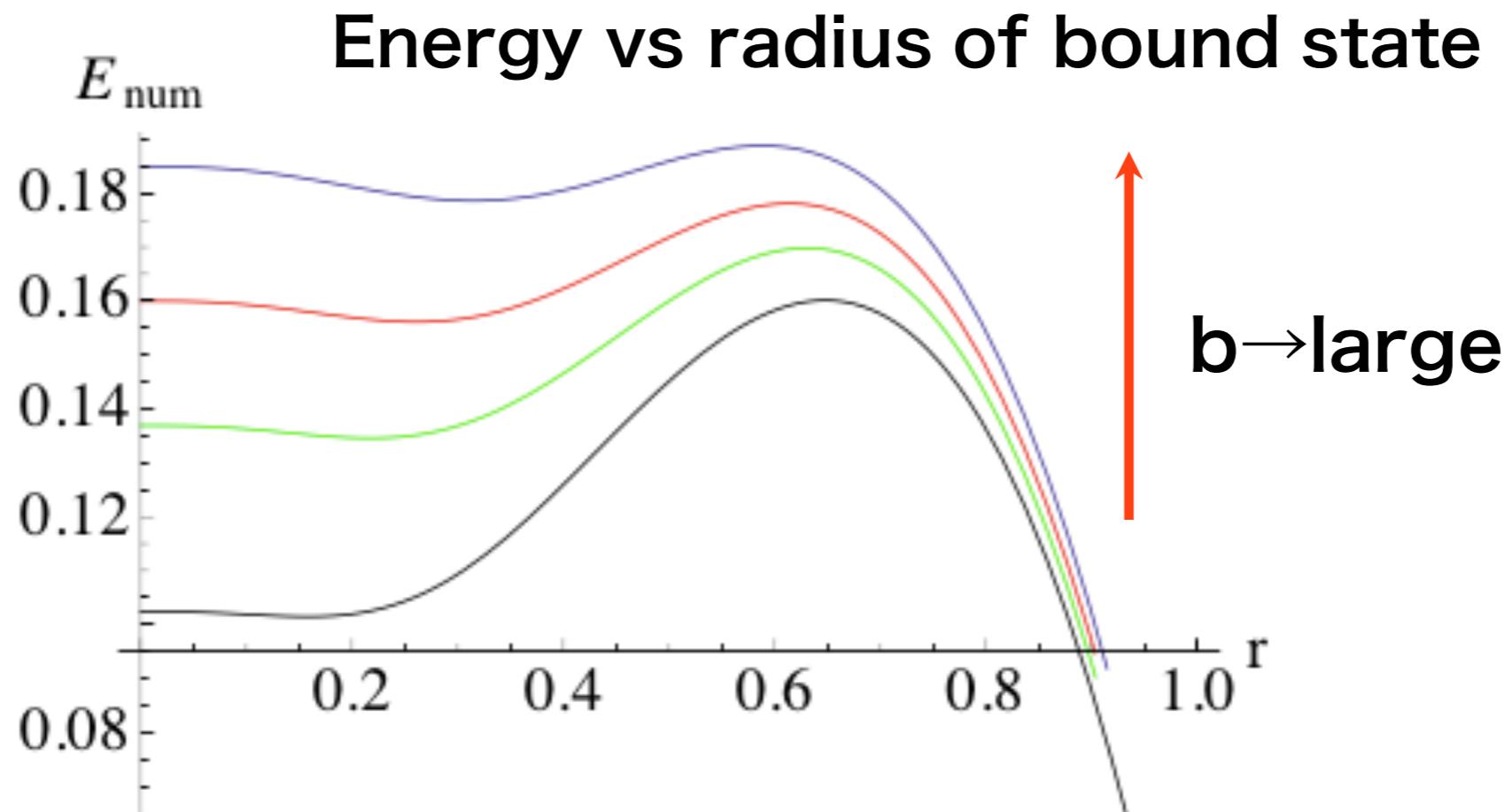
dimensionless parameters

$$r = \frac{\Delta V}{3T_{DW}} R,$$

winding number of monopole

$$b^4 = \left( \frac{\Delta V}{3T_{DW}} \right)^4 \left( \frac{T_{D3} n_{D3}}{4\pi T_{D5}} \right)^2.$$

# Bound state of D3/DWD5

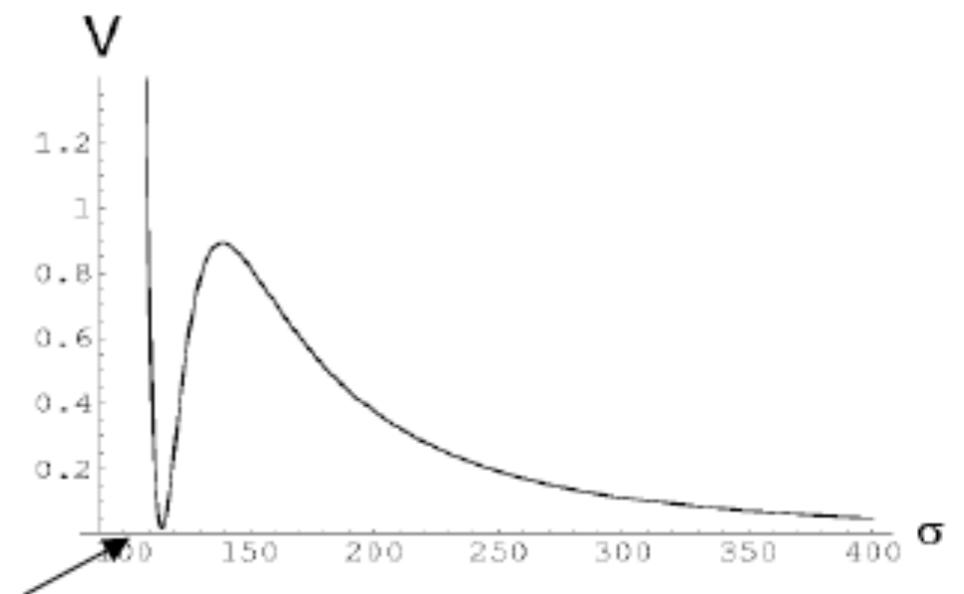
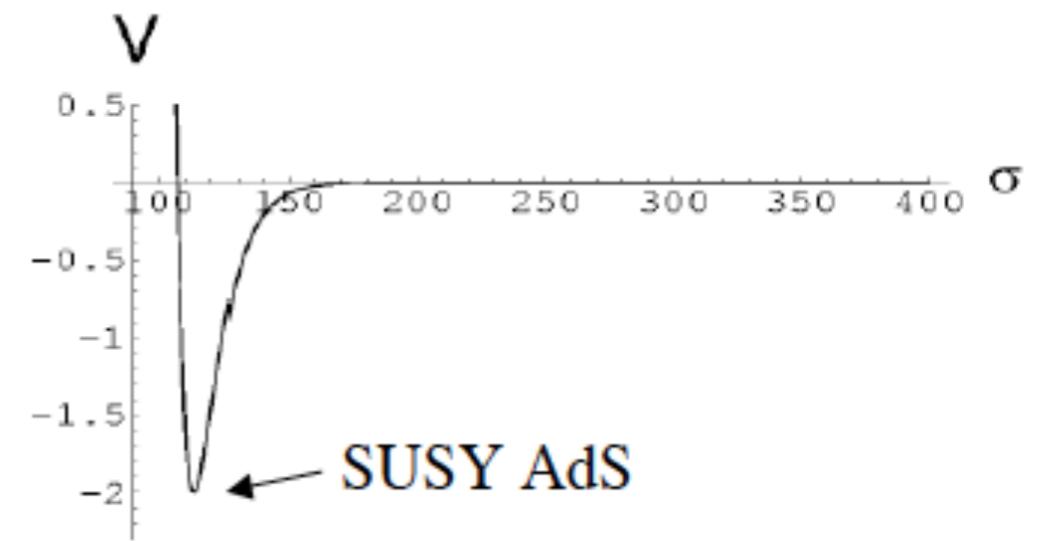
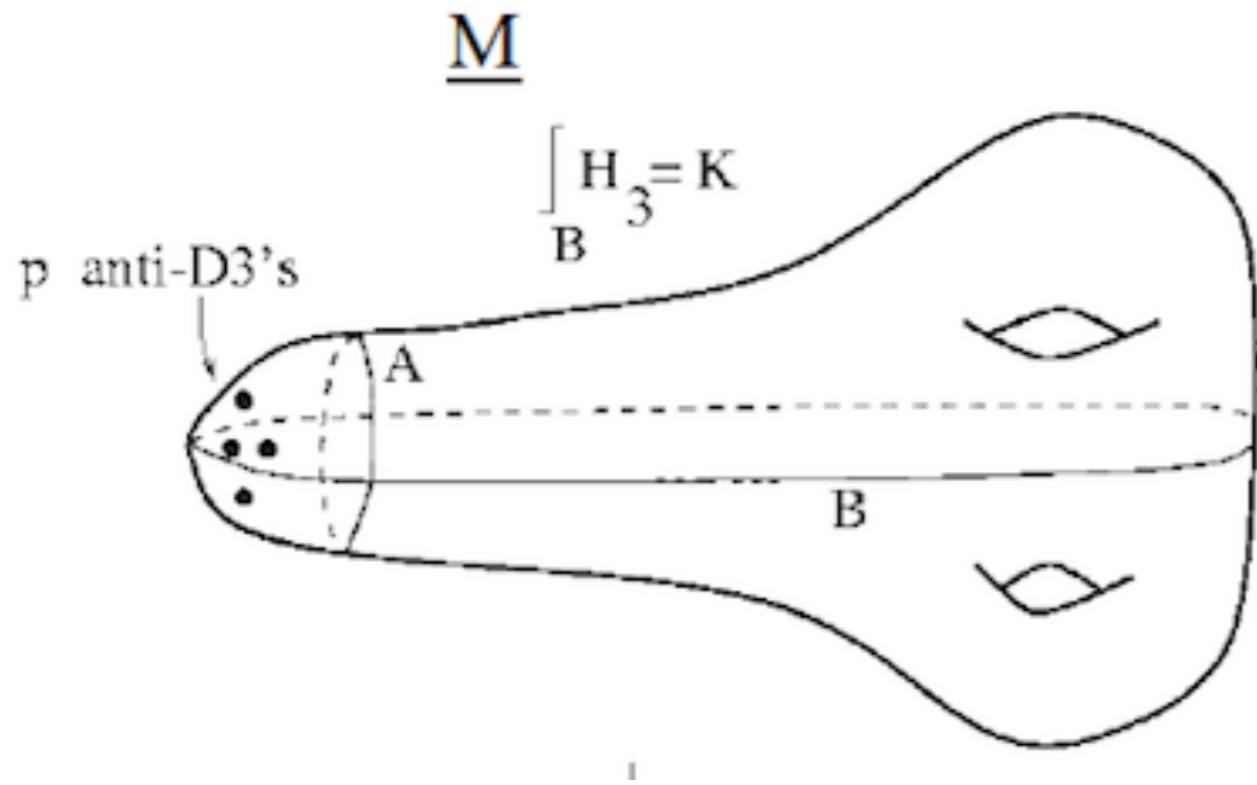


When  $b$  is large, the bubble is unstable

$$b > \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \quad (\text{unstable}). \rightarrow \text{bubble expand without bound}$$

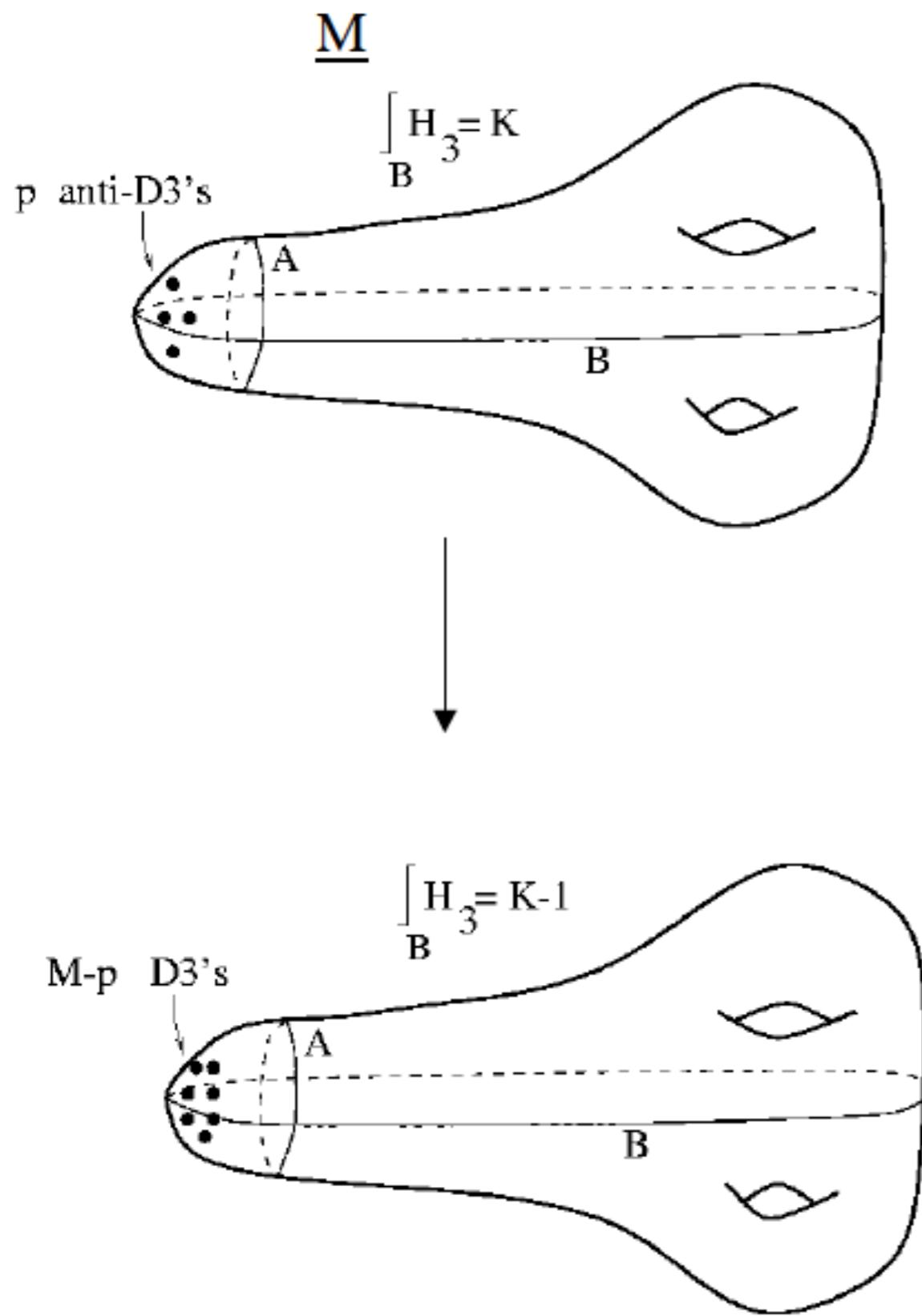
# KKLT model

- ✓ compact Calabi-Yau
- ✓ stabilized moduli
- ✓ up-lifted by anti-D3 branes

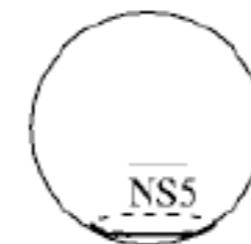
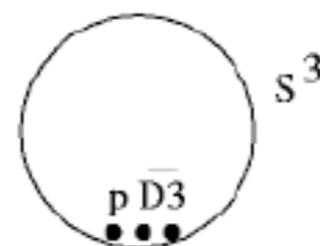


small positive cosmological constant

# KKLT model



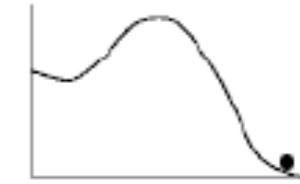
A-cycle



Potential



Tunneling



# KKLT model

We take non-compact limit for estimation  
of the decay rate

$$\frac{1}{G_{10}} \int d^{10}x(\dots) \simeq \frac{V_6}{G_{10}} \int d^4x$$

$$V_6 \rightarrow \infty$$

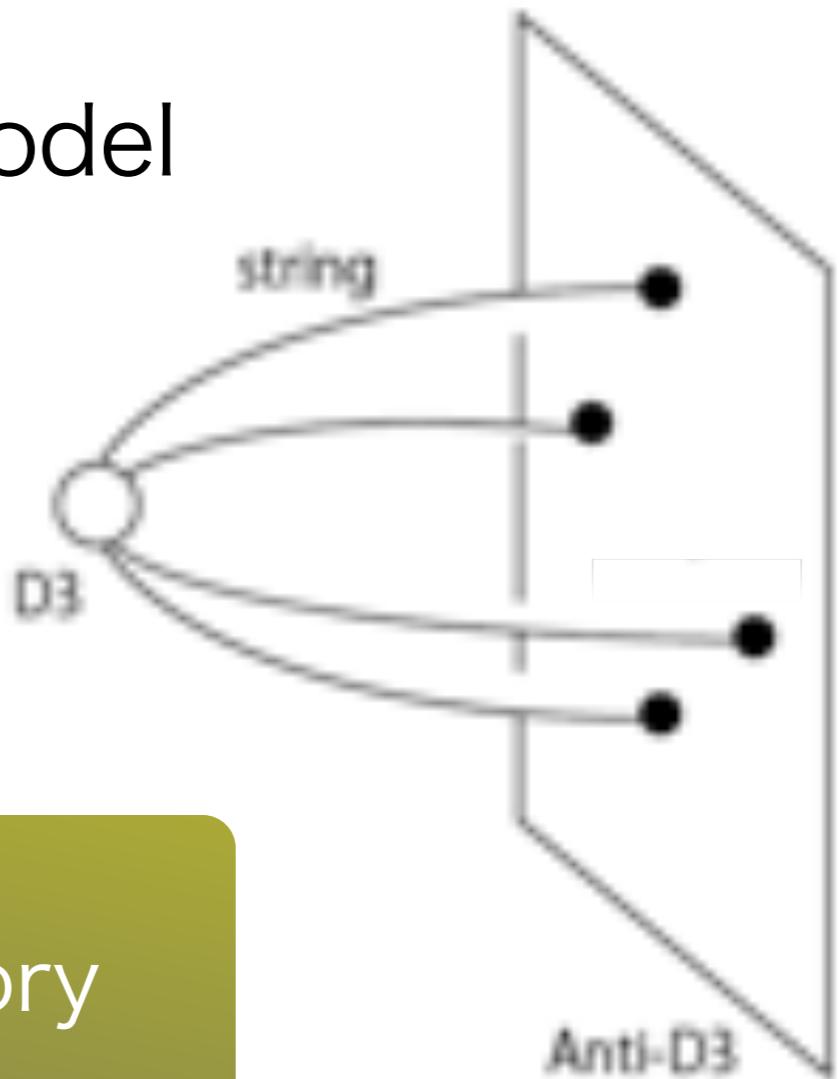
gravity effect is negligible

# Dyon as an impurity

Let us apply our idea to the KKLT model

In this model, a **dyon** can be a seed  
for catalytic decay

Nakai, YO, Tanahashi : arXiv 1808.10235



Universal Lagrangian of  $Z_p$  gauge theory

$$p \int_{4D} B_2 \wedge F_2 \quad F_2 = dA$$

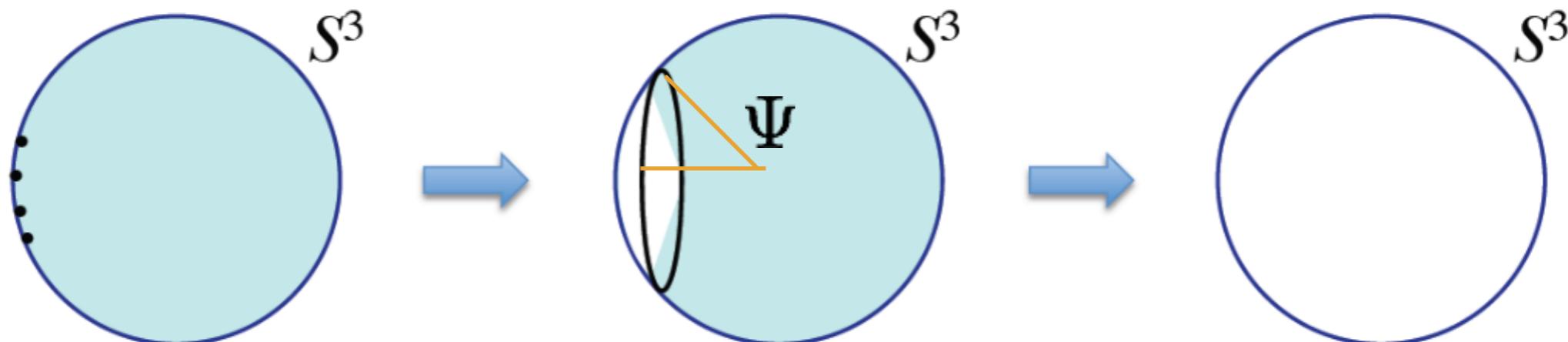
[ Banks-Seiberg '10 ]

# Action of the NS-five brane

$$S = -\frac{T_{NS}}{g_s^2} \int d^6\xi \sqrt{-\det \left( g_{ab} - 2\pi g_s \alpha' \tilde{\mathcal{F}} \right)} - T_{NS} \int B_6 .$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_D = -\sqrt{V_2(\Psi)^2(\tilde{r}^4 + \mathcal{B}^2) + \mathcal{D}^2} \sqrt{1 - \dot{\Psi}^2 + \Psi'^2} + \frac{\tilde{r}^2}{\pi} \left( \Psi - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\Psi \right)$$

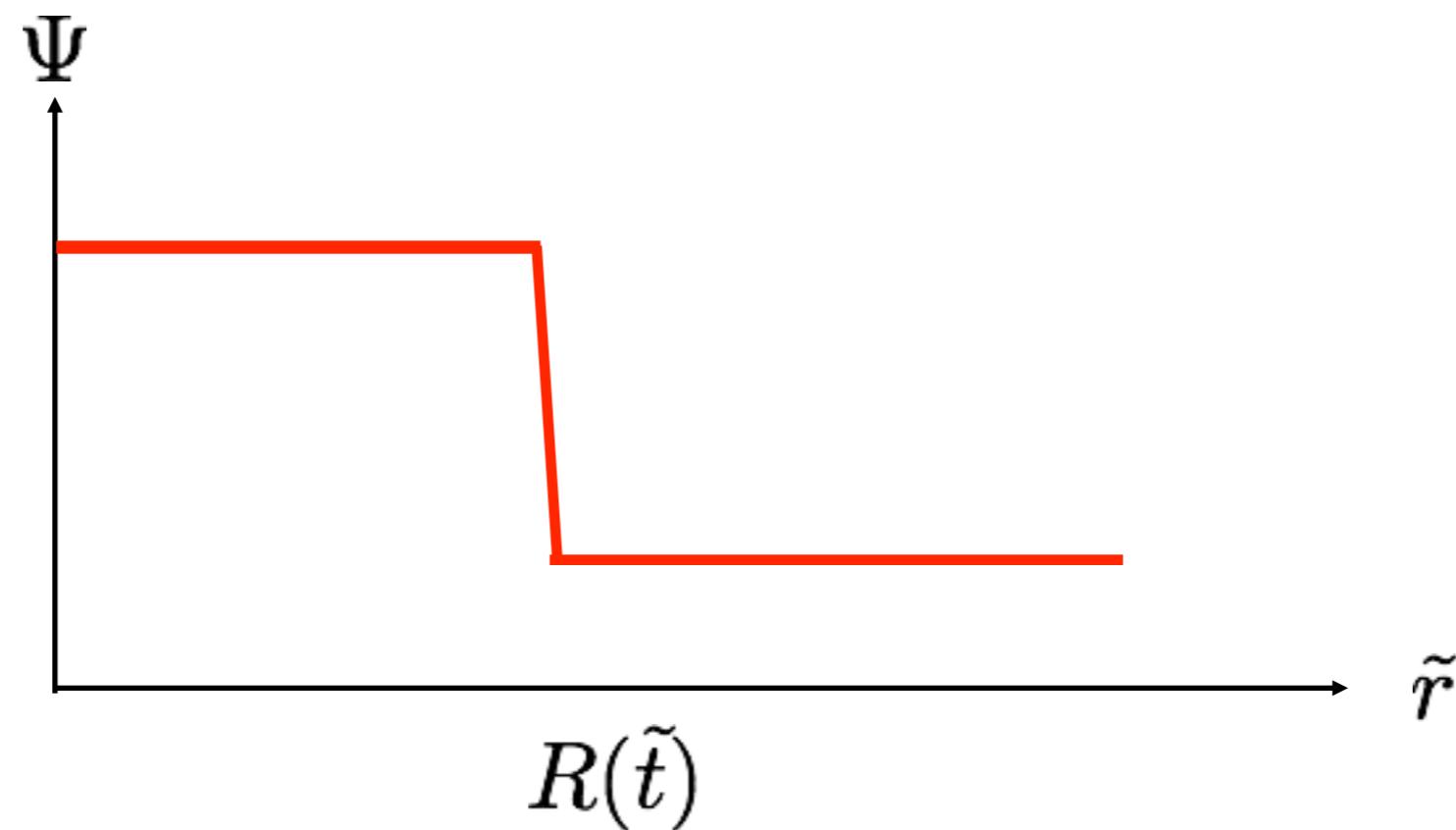
$$V_2(\Psi) = \frac{1}{\pi} \sqrt{b_0^4 \sin^4 \Psi + \left( \frac{\pi p}{M} - \left( \Psi - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\Psi \right) \right)^2} .$$



# Life-time of KKLT vacuum

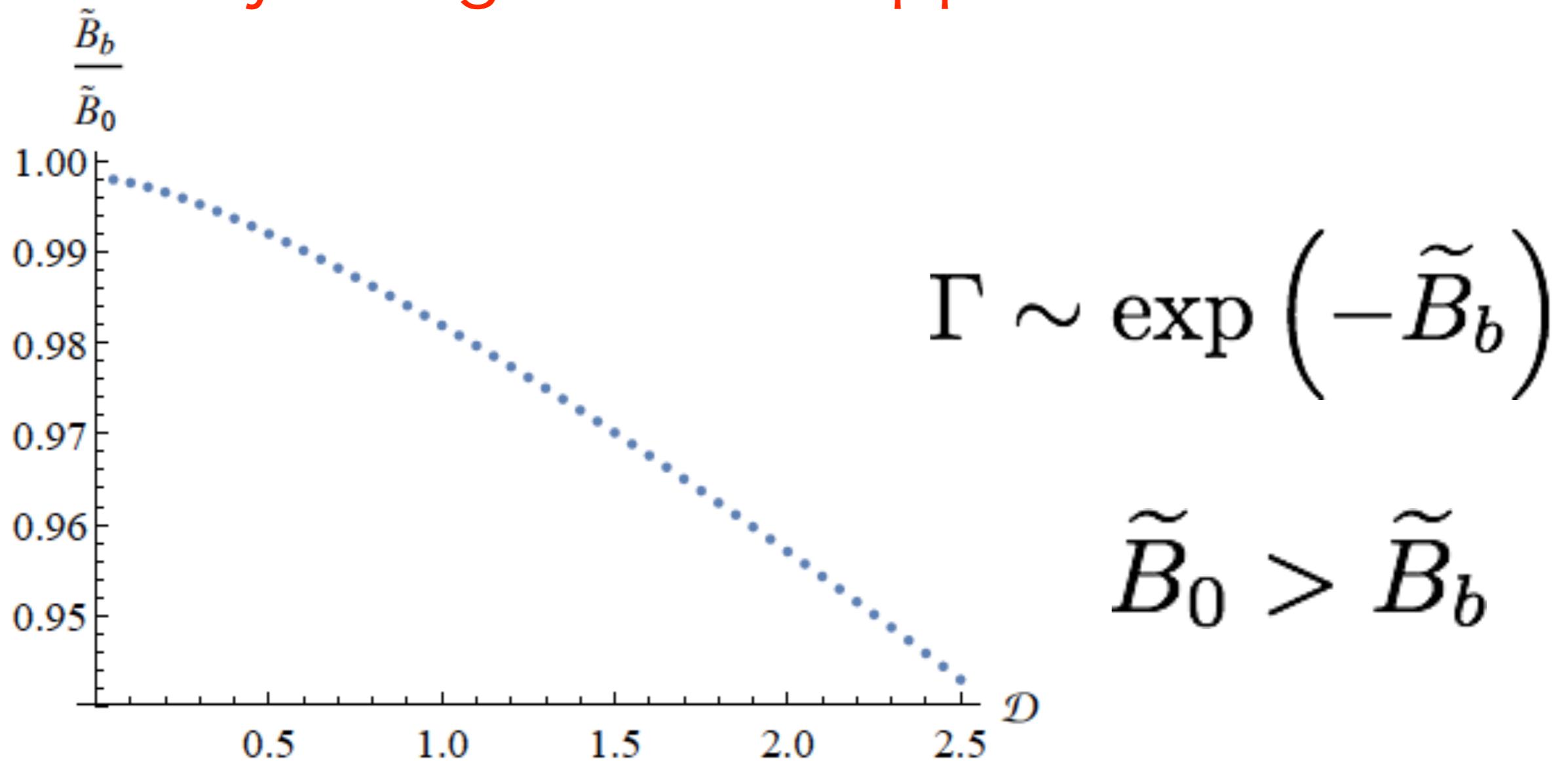
by using thin-wall approximation

$$\Psi = (\Psi_{\max} - \Psi_{\min}) [1 - \theta(\tilde{r} - R(\tilde{t}))] + \Psi_{\min} .$$



# Life-time of KKLT vacuum

by using thin-wall approximation



Life-time is drastically shorter!

# *Summary*

- Claim 1) Vacuum instability by **catalysis** plays crucial role in string landscape
- Claim 2) In estimating the life-time of vacuum, the shape of the potential is not enough
- Claim 3) Bubble can be a giant monopole
- Claim 4) Topology of a bubble is not necessarily sphere
- Claim 5) KKLT de Sitter vacuum may be unstable