

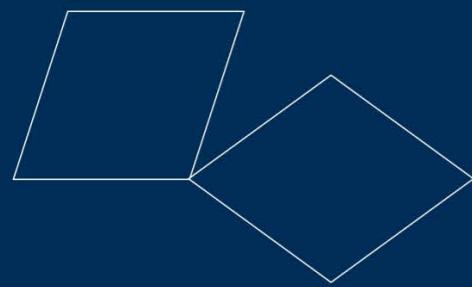


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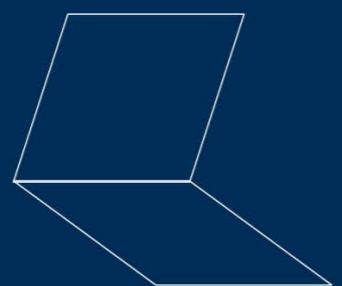
# Higgs bundles and mirror symmetry 3

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MIRROR SYMMETRY

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- $\mathbb{C}^*$ -invariant  $\Rightarrow$   
 $L \cap A =$  union of translates of an abelian subvariety  
(usually zero-dimensional)

- $E \in (L \cap A)^0 \subset \mathcal{M}^\vee$  line bundle on  $A$  trivial on  $L \cap A$   
 $H^0(L \cap A, E)$ : basis vector for each component of  $L \cap A$
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*is this hyperholomorphic?*

# HYPERHOLOMORPHIC BUNDLES

- connection with curvature of type  $(1, 1)$  wrt  $I, J, K$
- 4 dimensions = anti-self-dual
- $\Leftrightarrow$  holomorphic bundle on twistor space

**DIRAC-HIGGS BUNDLE**

## THE TANGENT BUNDLE OF $\mathcal{M}$

- Levi-Civita connection is hyperholomorphic
- Higgs bundle tangent space  $(\dot{A}, \dot{\Phi}) \in \Omega^{01}(\mathfrak{g}) \oplus \Omega^{10}(\mathfrak{g})$
- $\bar{\partial}_A \dot{\Phi} + [\dot{A}, \dot{\Phi}] = 0$  modulo  $(\dot{A}, \dot{\Phi}) = (\bar{\partial}_A \psi, [\psi, \Phi])$
- elliptic complex  
$$0 \rightarrow \Omega^{00}(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \Omega^{01}(\mathfrak{g}) \oplus \Omega^{10}(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow \Omega^{11}(\mathfrak{g}) \rightarrow 0$$
- tangent space to  $\mathcal{M}$  = first cohomology group

- Dolbeault version of hypercohomology
- sequence of sheaves  $\mathcal{O}(\mathfrak{g}) \xrightarrow{\text{ad } \Phi} \mathcal{O}(\mathfrak{g} \otimes K)$
- tangent space to  $\mathcal{M}$  = first hypercohomology group  $\mathbb{H}^1$
- varies holomorphically over  $\mathcal{M}$  with complex structure  $I$

- Higgs bundle equations  $F_A + [\Phi, \Phi^*] = 0 \Rightarrow$  flat connection
- variation:  $d_A(\dot{A} + \dot{\Phi} + \dot{\Phi}^*) + [\Phi + \Phi^*, \dot{A} + \dot{\Phi} + \dot{\Phi}^*] = 0$
- tangent space to  $\mathcal{M}$  = first de Rham cohomology group  $H^1$  of flat connection
- varies holomorphically over  $\mathcal{M}$  with complex structure  $J$

- Hodge theory for elliptic complex

$$0 \rightarrow E_0 \xrightarrow{d} E_1 \xrightarrow{d} E_2 \rightarrow 0$$

- $d + d^* : E_0 \oplus E_2 \rightarrow E_1$
- same operator for each complex – “Dirac” operator  $\mathbf{D}$
- $\text{coker } \mathbf{D}$  defines a hyperholomorphic bundle over  $\mathcal{M}$

- replace  $\mathfrak{g}$  by any representation of  $G$
- hypercohomology of sequence of sheaves:  $\mathcal{O}(V) \xrightarrow{\Phi} \mathcal{O}(V \otimes K)$
- $\text{coker } D$  defines a hyperholomorphic bundle over  $\mathcal{M}$
- “Dirac-Higgs bundle” (if a universal bundle over  $\mathcal{M} \times \Sigma$  exists)

## VECTOR REPRESENTATION

- $\mathcal{O}(V) \xrightarrow{\Phi} \mathcal{O}(V \otimes K)$
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- open covering  $U_\alpha, \dots$

$\theta_{\alpha\beta}$  holomorphic section of  $V$  on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$

$\psi_\alpha$  on  $U_\alpha$

- $\Phi\theta_{\alpha\beta} = \psi_\beta - \psi_\alpha \Rightarrow$  class in  $\mathbb{H}^1$
- project to cokernel  $\Rightarrow \bar{\psi}_\beta = \bar{\psi}_\alpha$

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- $\det \Phi = 0$  on  $x = 0$  and  $\text{coker } \Phi \cong L$       ( $\pi_* L = V$ )

$$\text{so } \mathbb{H}^1 \cong \bigoplus_{x_i \in S \cap \{x=0\}} L_{x_i}$$


- Dirac-Higgs bundle  $V$  hyperholomorphic

UNIVERSAL BUNDLE AT  $x \in \Sigma$

## HYPERKÄHLER QUOTIENT

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- $\mu^{-1}(0)$  principal  $G$ -bundle  $P$  over  $\mu^{-1}(0)/G =$  hyperkähler quotient
- $\Rightarrow$  hyperholomorphic connection on  $P$

- $\mathcal{A}$  = affine space of connections on a  $G$ -bundle over  $\Sigma$
- $T^*\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A} \times \Omega^1(\Sigma, \mathfrak{g})$   
 $= \infty$ -dimensional flat hyperkähler manifold
- group  $\mathcal{G}$  of gauge transformations acts
- $\mu^{-1}(0)$  principal  $\mathcal{G}$ -bundle  $\mathcal{P}$  over  $\mu^{-1}(0)/\mathcal{G}$   
 $=$  moduli space of Higgs bundles  
..... hyperholomorphic  $\mathcal{G}$ -connection

- universal  $G$ -bundle on  $\mathcal{M} \times \Sigma$
- point  $x \in \Sigma \Rightarrow$  principal  $G$ -bundle  $P_x$  over  $\mathcal{M}$
- evaluation homomorphism  $\text{ev}_x : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow G$
- ... associated connection hyperholomorphic

**REAL FORMS AS BAA-BRANES**

- complex structure  $I$ : moduli space of (stable) pairs  $(A, \Phi)$

$G = U(n)$  vector bundle  $V$ ,  $\Phi \in H^0(\Sigma, \text{End } V \otimes K)$

- complex structure  $J$ : flat  $G^c$ -connection

$\nabla_A + \Phi + \Phi^*$  (representations  $\pi_1(\Sigma) \rightarrow G^c$ )

- complex structure  $K$ : flat  $G^c$ -connection

$\nabla_A + i\Phi - i\Phi^*$

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- moduli space of flat  $G^r$ -connections:  $\text{Hom}(\pi_1, G^r)/G^r$
- fixed point set of involution on  $\mathcal{M}$
- $I$ -holomorphic,  $J, K$ -antiholomorphic

- BAA-brane

- $L$  = moduli space of flat  $G^r$ -connections
  - $G^r$  = split real form e.g.  $SL(n, \mathbf{R}), Sp(2m, \mathbf{R}), \dots$
- $\Rightarrow L \cap A = 2\text{-torsion points}$
- $\Rightarrow$  support of mirror BBB-brane is the whole moduli space

$$U(m, m) \subset GL(2m, \mathbf{C})$$

- maximal compact  $U(m) \times U(m)$
- bundle  $V = V_+ \oplus V_-$  Higgs field  $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \beta \\ \gamma & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
- characteristic class  $c_1(V_+) \in H^2(\Sigma, \mathbf{Z})$
- $\Rightarrow$  different topological components

L.Schapnik, *Spectral data for  $U(m, m)$  Higgs bundles*, IMRN, **11** (2015) 3486 – 3498.

- spectral curve  $\det(x - \Phi) = x^{2m} + a_2x^{2m-2} + \dots + a_{2m}$
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- $L \cap A = 2^{4m(g-1)-1}$  copies of  $\text{Jac}(\bar{S})$

- $(L \cap A)^0 \cong \mathsf{P}(S, \bar{S})$
- mirror supported on the family of Prym varieties over  $H^0(\Sigma, K^2) \oplus H^0(\Sigma, K^4) \oplus \cdots \oplus H^0(\Sigma, K^{2m})$
- =  $Sp(m)$  moduli space in  $U(2m)$  moduli space
- ... which is hyperkähler.

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- Lagrangians  $L_0, L_1, \dots$
- same support of the BBB-brane  $\Rightarrow$   
they must differ through the hyperholomorphic vector bundle

- $\sigma^*U \cong U$
- action at fixed point set  $\pm 1$
- $c_1(V_+) \sim$  number of +1s (even)
- basis vectors for  $H^0(L \cap A, E) \sim$   
even subsets of  $4m(g - 1)$  zeros of  $a_{2m}$

- fixed points  $x_1, \dots, x_N$  ( $N = 4m(g - 1)$ )  
divisor  $2x_i$  pulled back from  $\bar{S}$
- $B = p^* \text{Jac}(\bar{S})$   
translates  $x_1 + \dots + x_{2k} - 2kx_1 + B$
- $2x_i - 2x_1 \in B \Rightarrow$  independent of choice of  $x_1$
- $x_1 + \dots + x_{2k} \in \mathsf{P}(S, \bar{S})^\vee = \text{Jac}(S)/p^* \text{Jac}(\bar{S})$

- $\mathcal{M}^\vee = Sp(m)$  moduli space
- $E \in A^\vee = \mathsf{P}(S, \bar{S})$
- $\{x_1, \dots, x_\ell\} \subset S \cap \{x = 0\}$  defines  
 $E_{x_1} \otimes E_{x_2} \otimes \cdots \otimes E_{x_\ell}$
- vector space  $\bigoplus_{\{x_1, \dots, x_\ell\} \subset S \cap \{x = 0\}} E_{x_1} \otimes E_{x_2} \otimes \cdots \otimes E_{x_\ell}$

- Dirac-Higgs bundle  $\mathbf{V} = \bigoplus_{x_\ell \in S \cap \{x=0\}} E_{x_\ell}$
- $\Lambda^\ell \mathbf{V} = \bigoplus_{\{x_1, \dots, x_\ell\} \subset S \cap \{x=0\}} E_{x_1} \otimes E_{x_2} \otimes \cdots \otimes E_{x_\ell}$
- sum over  $\ell$ -element subsets  
induced hyperholomorphic connection

- no universal bundle for  $Sp(m)$
- local ones differ by a line bundle  $L_{\alpha\beta}$  on

$$U_\alpha \cap U_\beta \subset \mathcal{M}^\vee \text{ of order 2}$$

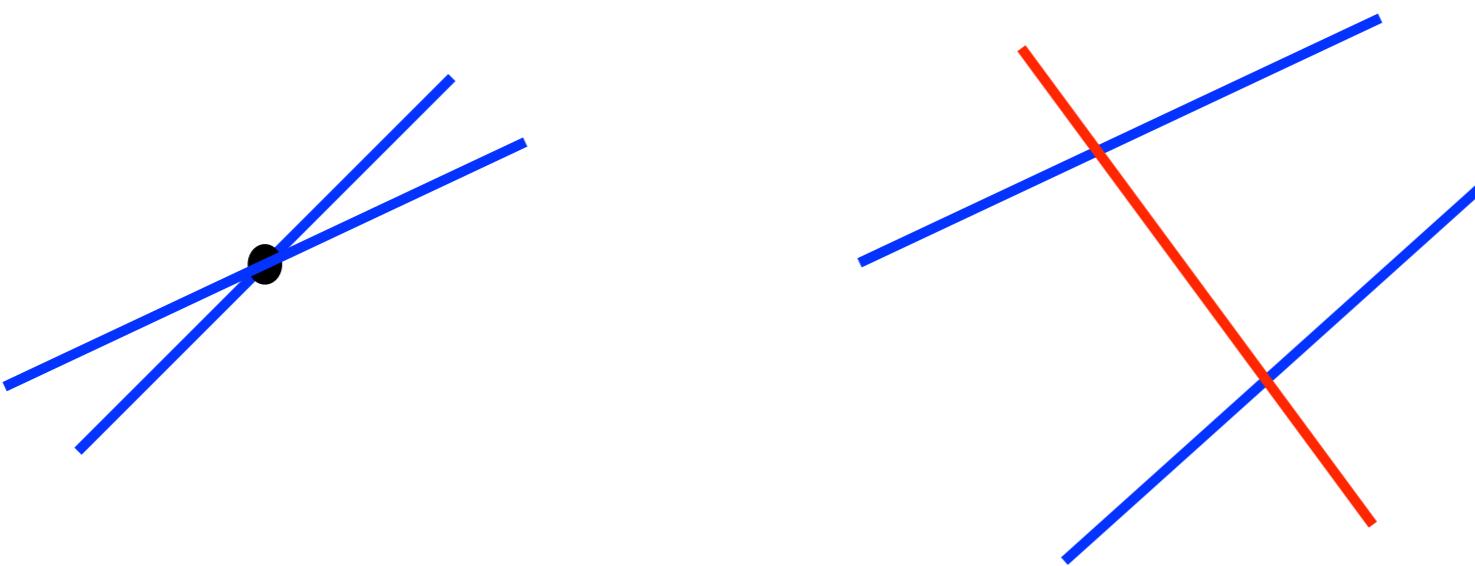
- $\ell$  even  $\Rightarrow \Lambda^\ell V_\alpha = \Lambda^\ell V_\beta$  well-defined

# HECKE TRANSFORM

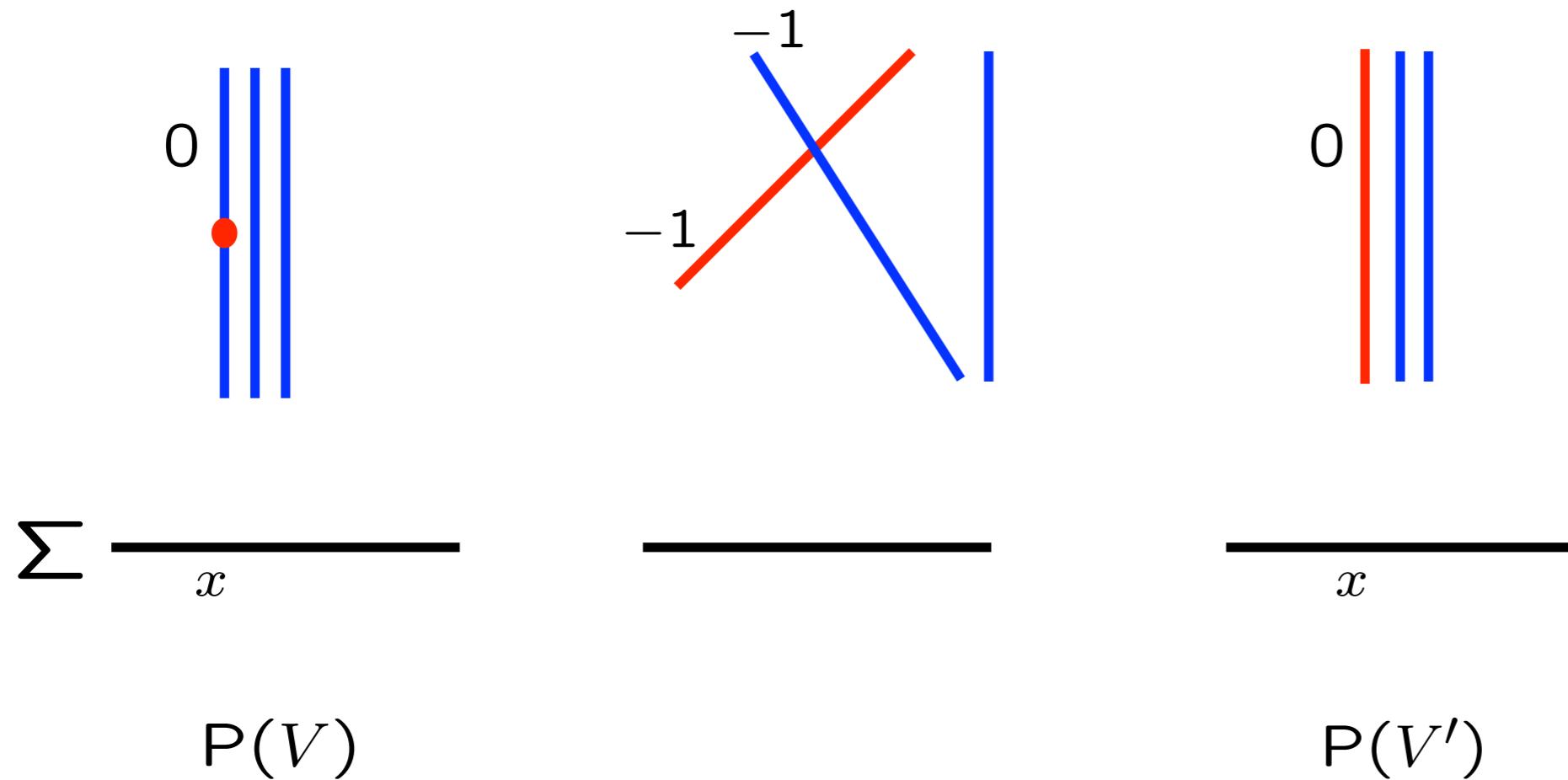
- rank 2 vector bundle  $V$ : local sections  $\mathcal{O}(V)$
- $x \in \Sigma, \alpha \in V_x^*$
- $\ker \alpha : \mathcal{O}(V) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_x$  is  $\mathcal{O}(V')$
- $\Lambda^2 V' \cong \Lambda^2 V(-x)$

- $\alpha(v_1, v_2) = v_1$  at  $z = 0$
- local basis of sections of  $V'$ :  $e_1 = (z, 0), e_2 = (0, 1)$
- $\Phi \in H^0(\Sigma, \text{End } V \otimes K)$      $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$   
 $\Phi' = \begin{pmatrix} a & bz^{-1} \\ cz & d \end{pmatrix}$
- if  $\Phi(0)(e_2) = \lambda e_2$ , get new Higgs bundle  $(V', \Phi')$

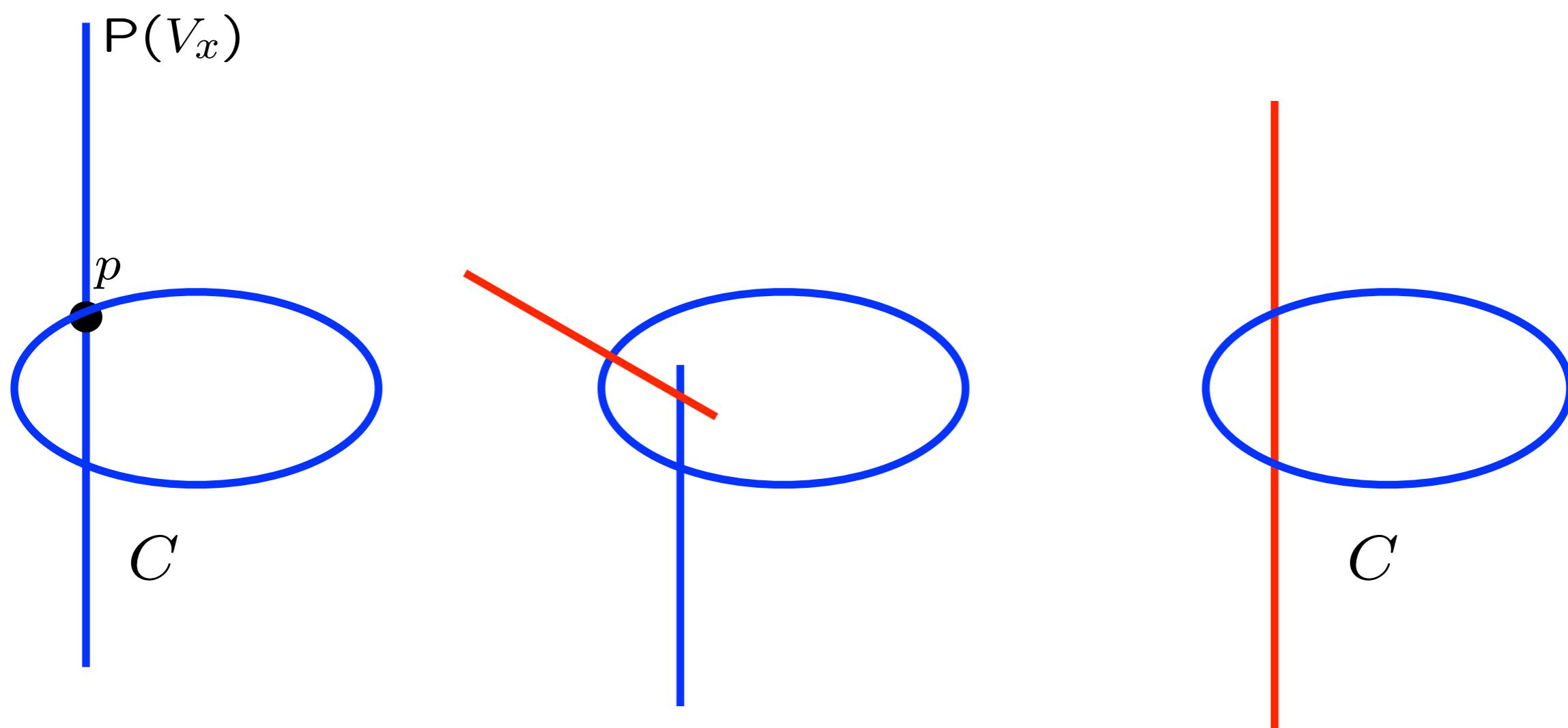
- projective bundle  $\pi : \mathbb{P}(V) \rightarrow \Sigma$
- algebraic surface
- blow up a point  $\sim$  replace by  $\mathbb{P}^1$  of tangent directions

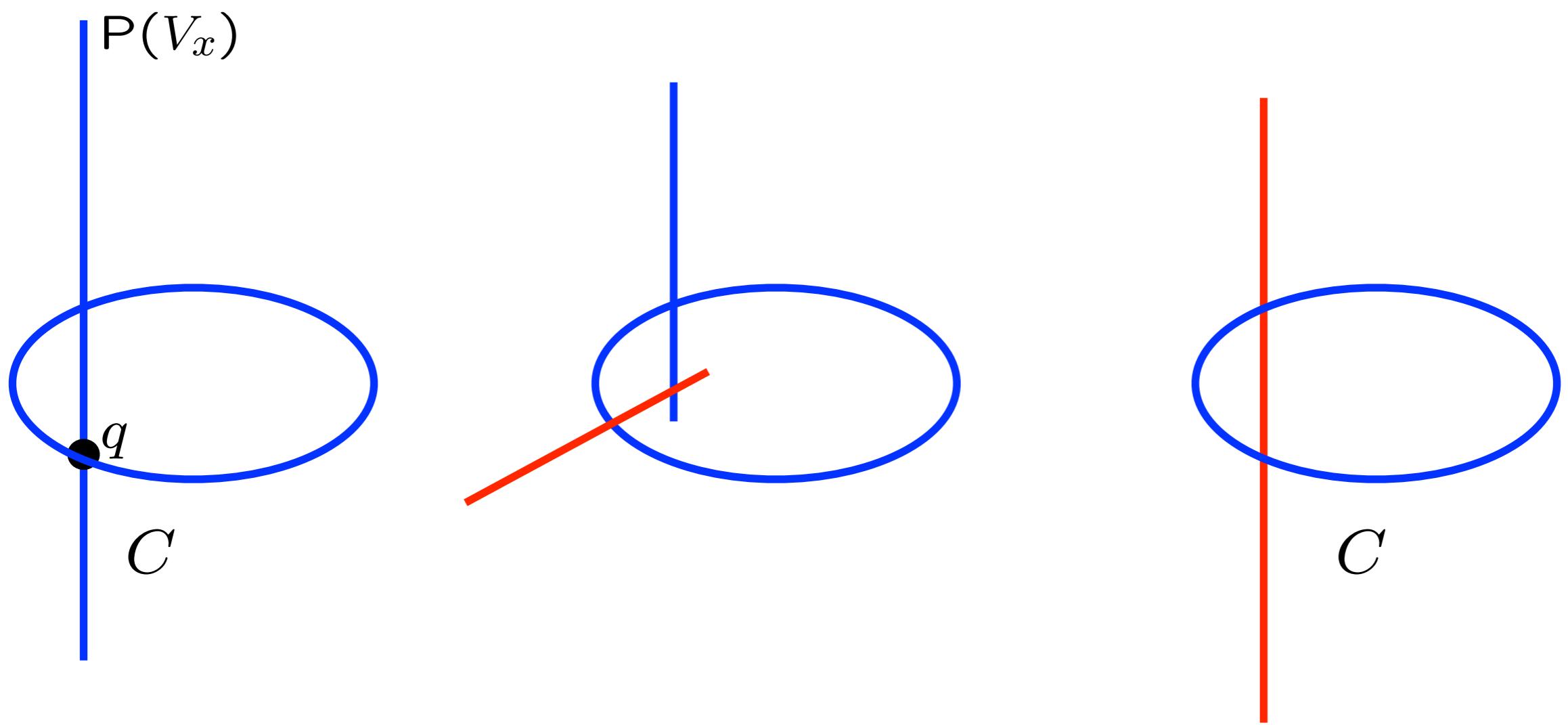


- Hecke transform = blowing up and down



- projective bundle  $\pi : \mathbb{P}(V) \rightarrow \Sigma$
- Higgs field  $\Phi \in H^0(\Sigma, S^2 V^* \otimes K)$
- $\sim$  section  $s$  of line bundle  $H^2 \pi^* K$  on  $\mathbb{P}(V)$
- divisor curve  $C$  of eigenspaces
- if smooth  $C \cong S =$  curve of eigenvalues





- same curve  $S \cong C$ ,  $\pi : S \rightarrow \Sigma$

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Lagrangian correspondence

$\Rightarrow$  Hecke transform maps a Lagrangian  $L \subset \mathcal{M}$  to  $L' \subset \mathcal{M}'$

## EXAMPLE

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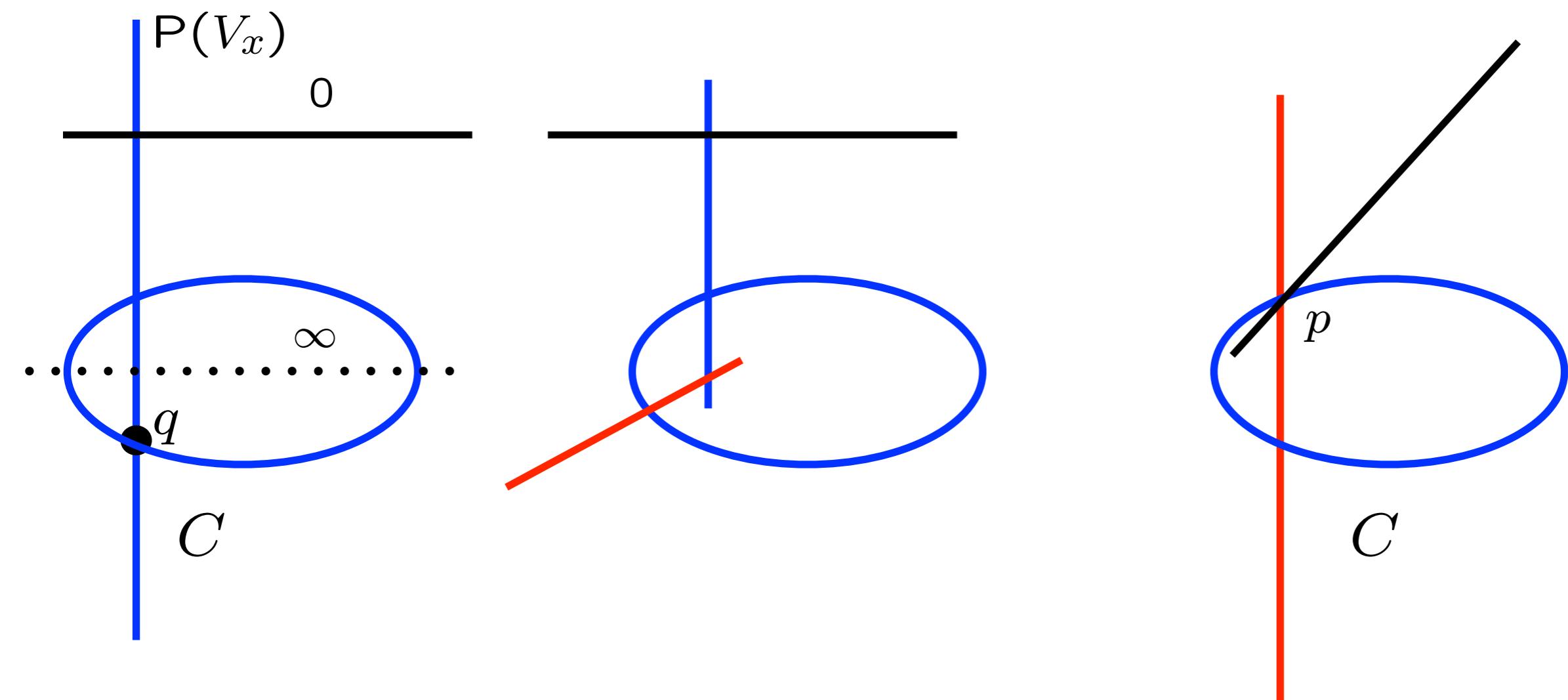
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- hyperholomorphic bundle = trivial line bundle

- $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{O} \oplus K^{-1})$ :  $\infty$  section and zero section



$$\pi(p) = \pi(q) = x \in \Sigma$$

- section = distinguished subbundle

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(-x) \rightarrow V \rightarrow K^{-1} \rightarrow 0$$

= eigenspace of  $\Phi$  at  $p \in S$

- $\mathcal{O}(-x) \xrightarrow{\Phi} V \otimes K \rightarrow K^{-1} \otimes K \cong \mathcal{O}$

vanishes at  $x$ , so  $\mathcal{O}(-x)$  is also an eigenspace at  $q$

- $C^*$ -action, take fixed point  
... upward flow is Lagrangian

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- fixed point  $V = \mathcal{O}(-x) \oplus K^{-1}$       $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ s & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

- Hecke-transformed Lagrangian =
- Higgs bundles  $\mathcal{O}(-x) \rightarrow V \rightarrow K^{-1}$  such that

$$\mathcal{O}(-x) \xrightarrow{\Phi} V \otimes K \rightarrow K^{-1} \otimes K \cong \mathcal{O} \text{ vanishes at } x$$

- What hyperholomorphic bundle replaces the trivial bundle?

- Lagrangian meets fibre  $A$  in 2 points  $\sim \pi^{-1}(x)$
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- in general  $k$  Hecke transforms  $\Rightarrow \mathbf{V}_{x_1} \otimes \mathbf{V}_{x_2} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{V}_{x_k}$

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