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A Supersymmetric Color Superconductor from Holography

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N=4 SYM, and deformations thereof, is a model giving rise to a vast number of explicit examples of strong coupling phenomena via holography. In this talk I will consider probing the system with fundamental matter, focusing on a phase at finite isospin density and low temperatures. The ground state consists of a super-symmetric Higgsed phase with spontaneously broken global symmetries, which reflects in the spectrum of the theory. This is the first example of a supersymmetric Higgsed phase at finite charge density, and it is tempting to draw lessons to try to understand color-superconducting phases of QCD that might be realised in astrophysical contexts. [arXiv:1807.09712 and work in progress].

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