

Homotopy transfer for conserved currents and rigid symmetries in gauge theories

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- ▶ Brandt, Henneaux, Wilch (1998)

Extended antifield formalism Nucl Phys B**510** 640–656

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