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Jonathan Esole* (mboyoesole@gmail.com), Northeastern University, Department of Mathematics, 360 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02115. *Slicing and Flopping: The Geometry of $SO(4)$ Models.*

I will explain how the geometric engineering of $SO(4)$ models in F-theory and its relation to elliptic fibrations with Mordell-Weil groups $\mathbb{Z}/2$ and the Atiyah's flop. (Received February 18, 2018)