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Model building and  
moduli stabilization  
with  
magnetized branes

# Outline

- Framework
- Standard Model embedding
- Moduli stabilization

## Oblique internal magnetic fields

- Supersymmetry breaking

## A new gauge mediation mechanism

## General framework

- Type I string theory compactified in 4d  
on 6d Calabi-Yau

⇒  $N = 2$  SUSY in the bulk,  $N = 1$  on branes

- Magnetic fluxes on 2-cycles

⇒ SUSY breaking

Dirac quantization:  $H = \frac{m}{nA} \equiv \frac{p}{A}$

$H$ : constant magnetic field

$m$ : units of magnetic flux

$n$ : brane wrapping

$A$ : area of the 2-cycle

Spin-dependent mass shifts for all charged states

$$[p_i, p_j] = iqH\epsilon_{ij} \quad q: \text{charge}$$

⇒ Landau spectrum

Exact open string description:

$$qH \rightarrow \theta = \arctan qH\alpha' \quad \text{weak field} \Rightarrow \text{field theory}$$

T-dual representation: branes at angles

magnetized D9-brane wrapped on  $T^2$

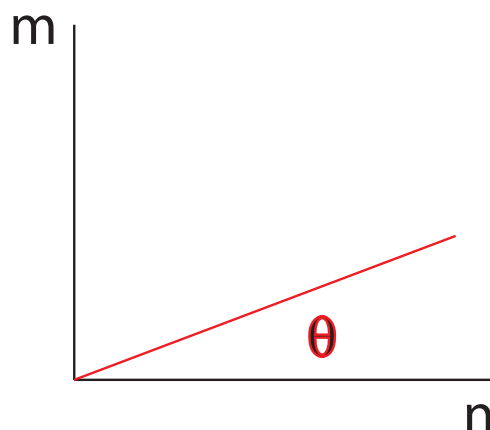
$$H = \frac{m}{n} \frac{1}{R_1 R_2}$$

T-duality:  $R_2 \rightarrow \alpha'/R_2 \equiv \tilde{R}_2 \Rightarrow$  D8-brane

wrapped around a direction of angle  $\theta$  in  $T^2$

$$H = \frac{m}{n} \frac{\tilde{R}_2}{R_1} = \tan \theta$$

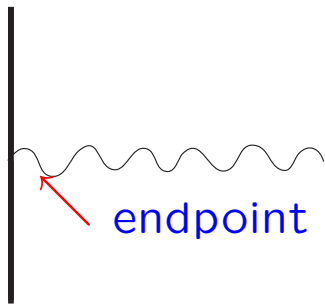
$(m, n)$ : wrapping numbers around  $(\tilde{R}_2, R_1)$



## Generic spectrum

$N$  coincident branes  $\Rightarrow U(N)$

a-stack



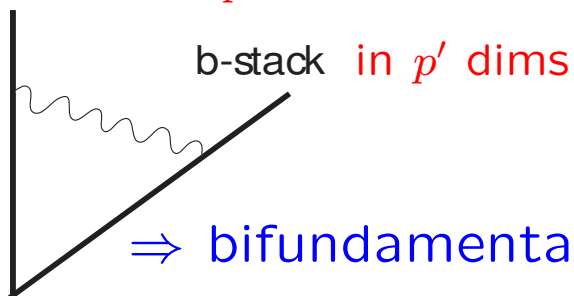
endpoint transformation:  $N_a$  or  $\bar{N}_a$

$U(1)_a$  charge:  $+1$  or  $-1$

$U(1)$ : “baryon” number

- open strings from the same stack  $\Rightarrow$   
adjoint gauge multiplets of  $U(N_a)$
- stretched between two stacks

a-stack in  $p$  dims



$\Rightarrow$  bifundamentals of  $U(N_a) \times U(N_b)$

in  $p \cap p'$  dims

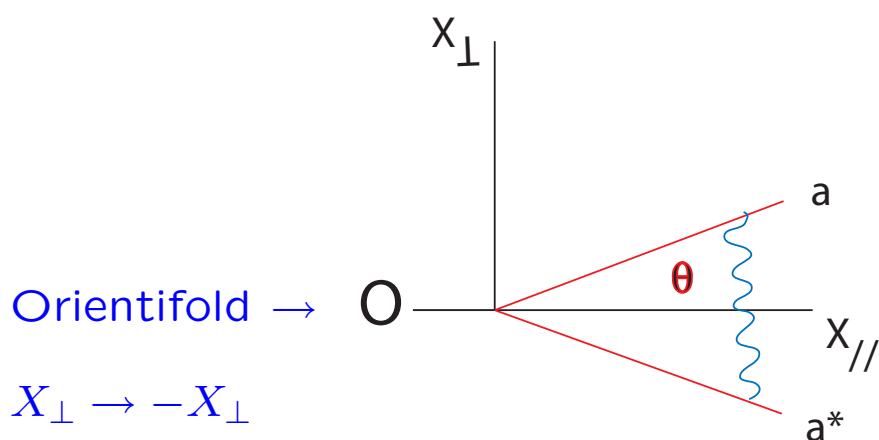
Non oriented strings  $\Rightarrow$  orientifold planes

where closed strings change orientation

$\Rightarrow$  mirror branes

identified with branes under orientifold action

- strings stretched between two mirror stacks



$\Rightarrow$  antisymmetric or symmetric of  $U(N_a)$

## Minimal Standard Model embedding

- oriented strings  $\Rightarrow$

need at least 4 brane-stacks

- also for non-oriented strings

with Baryon and Lepton number symmetries

I.A.-Kiritsis-Tomaras '00

I.A.-Kiritsis-Rizos-Tomaras '02

- General analysis using 3 brane stacks

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

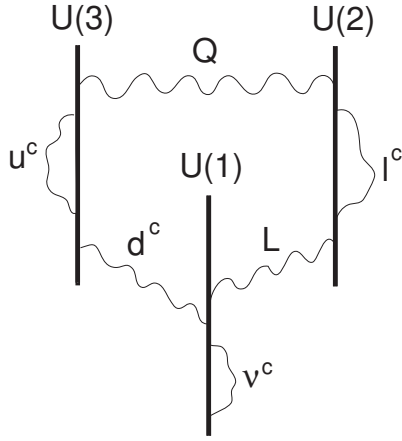
antiquarks  $u^c, d^c$  ( $\bar{3}, 1$ ):

antisymmetric of  $U(3)$  or

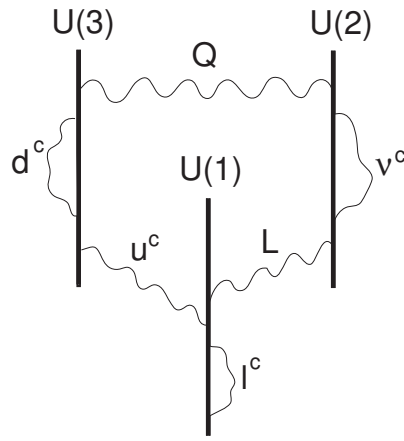
bifundamental  $U(3) \leftrightarrow U(1)$

$\Rightarrow$  3 models: antisymmetric is  $u^c, d^c$  or none

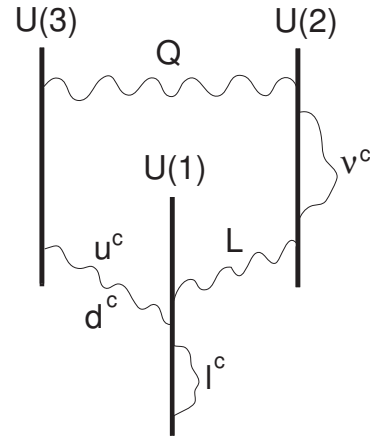
I.A.-Dimopoulos '04



Model A



Model B



Model C

$Q$	$(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}; 1, 1, 0)_{1/6}$	$(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}; 1, \varepsilon_Q, 0)_{1/6}$	$(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}; 1, \varepsilon_Q, 0)_{1/6}$
$u^c$	$(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1}; 2, 0, 0)_{-2/3}$	$(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1}; -1, 0, 1)_{-2/3}$	$(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1}; -1, 0, 1)_{-2/3}$
$d^c$	$(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1}; -1, 0, \varepsilon_d)_{1/3}$	$(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1}; 2, 0, 0)_{1/3}$	$(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1}; -1, 0, -1)_{1/3}$
$L$	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}; 0, -1, \varepsilon_L)_{-1/2}$	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}; 0, \varepsilon_L, 1)_{-1/2}$	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}; 0, \varepsilon_L, 1)_{-1/2}$
$l^c$	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}; 0, 2, 0)_1$	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}; 0, 0, -2)_1$	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}; 0, 0, -2)_1$
$\nu^c$	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}; 0, 0, 2\varepsilon_\nu)_0$	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}; 0, 2\varepsilon_\nu, 0)_0$	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}; 0, 2\varepsilon_\nu, 0)_0$

$$Y_A = -\frac{1}{3}Q_3 + \frac{1}{2}Q_2$$

$$Y_{B,C} = \frac{1}{6}Q_3 - \frac{1}{2}Q_1$$

$$\text{Model A} \quad : \quad \sin^2 \theta_W = \frac{1}{2 + 2\alpha_2/3\alpha_3} \Big|_{\alpha_2=\alpha_3} = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$\text{Model B, C} \quad : \quad \sin^2 \theta_W = \frac{1}{1 + \alpha_2/2\alpha_1 + \alpha_2/6\alpha_3} \Big|_{\alpha_2=\alpha_3} = \frac{6}{7 + 3\alpha_2/\alpha_1}$$



- Higgs can be easily implemented

massless  $\Rightarrow$  susy intersection

$$H_1, H_2 : U(2) \leftrightarrow U(1) \quad \text{like } L$$

Model A

Model B, C

$H_1$	$(1, 2; 0, -1, \varepsilon_{H_1})_{-1/2}$	$(1, 2; 0, \varepsilon_{H_1}, 1)_{-1/2}$
$H_2$	$(1, 2; 0, 1, \varepsilon_{H_2})_{1/2}$	$(1, 2; 0, \varepsilon_{H_2}, -1)_{1/2}$

- 2 extra  $U(1)$ 's

- One combination can be  $B - L$

$$(\varepsilon_d = \varepsilon_L = \varepsilon_\nu = -\varepsilon_{H_1} = \varepsilon_{H_2})$$

$$B - L = -\frac{1}{6}Q_3 + \frac{1}{2}Q_2 - \frac{\varepsilon_d}{2}Q_1$$

broken by a SM singlet VEV at high scale

or survive at low energies

- The other/both is/are anomalous

Moduli stabilization with 3-form fluxes:  
significant progress but

- no exact string description  
low energy SUGRA approximation
- fix only complex structure

Type I with internal magnetic fluxes:  
alternative/complementary approach

- exact string description
- Kähler class stabilization  
 $T^6$ : all geometric moduli fixed
- natural implementation in intersecting  
D-brane models

Magnetic fluxes can be used to stabilize moduli

I.A.-Maillard '04, I.A.-Kumar-Maillard '05, '06

e.g.  $T^6$ : 36 moduli (geometric deformations)

internal metric:  $6 \times 7/2 = 21 = 9 + 2 \times 6$

type IIB RR 2-form:  $6 \times 5/2 = 15 = 9 + 2 \times 3$

complexification  $\Rightarrow$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{Kähler class} & J \\ \text{complex structure} & \tau \end{array} \right.$

9 complex moduli for each

magnetic flux:  $6 \times 6$  antisymmetric matrix  $F$

complexification  $\Rightarrow$

$F_{(2,0)}$  on holomorphic 2-cycles: potential for  $\tau$

$F_{(1,1)}$  on mixed (1,1)-cycles: potential for  $J$

$T^6$  parametrization/complexification

$$x^i \equiv x^i + 1 \quad y_i \equiv y_i + 1 \quad i = 1, 2, 3$$

$$z^i = x^i + \tau^{ij} y_j$$

$\tau$ :  $3 \times 3$  complex structure matrix

$\delta g_{i\bar{j}}$  : Kähler deformations

$$\rightarrow J = \delta g_{i\bar{j}} i dz_i \wedge d\bar{z}_j$$

$W$  : covering map

of the brane world-volume over  $T^6$

$N = 1$  SUSY conditions:

1.  $F_{(2,0)} = 0 \Rightarrow \tau \tau^\top p_{xx} \tau - (\tau^\top p_{xy} + p_{yx} \tau) + p_{yy} = 0$

2.  $J \wedge J \wedge F_{(1,1)} = F_{(1,1)} \wedge F_{(1,1)} \wedge F_{(1,1)} \Rightarrow J$

3. action positivity:  $\det W(J \wedge J \wedge J - J \wedge F \wedge F) > 0$

Appropriate choice of magnetic fluxes  $F^a$

in several abelian directions  $U(1)_a \Rightarrow$

all moduli vanish except the 6 radii of  $T^6$

which are fixed in terms of the quantized fluxes

$$T^6 = \prod_{I=1}^3 T_I^2 \leftarrow \text{orthogonal 2-torus}$$

$$\tau_I = \frac{R_I}{R'_I} \quad J_I = R_I R'_I \quad H_I^a = \frac{F_I^a}{J_I}$$

(1) fixes the ratios  $\tau_I$

(2) fixes the sizes  $J_I$

$$H_1 + H_2 + H_3 = H_1 H_2 H_3 \Leftrightarrow \theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 = 0$$

## Main ingredients for moduli stabilization

- “oblique” magnetic fields  $\Rightarrow$   
fix off-diagonal components of the metric
- Non linear DBI action  $\Rightarrow$  fix overall volume  
not valid in six dimensions
- (2)  $\Leftrightarrow$  vanishing of a Fayet-Iliopoulos term  
 $\xi \sim F \wedge F \wedge F - J \wedge J \wedge F$

## Stabilization of RR moduli

- Kähler class: absorbed by massive  $U(1)$ 's  
kinetic mixing with magnetized  $U(1)$ 's
- $\Rightarrow$  need at least 9 brane stacks
- Complex structure: get potential  
through mixing with NS moduli

## Tadpole conditions

$$Q_9 = \sum_a N_a \det W_a = 16 \leftarrow \text{O9 charge}$$

$$Q_5 = \sum_a N_a \det W_a \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta\sigma\tau} p_{\gamma\delta}^a p_{\sigma\tau}^a = 0$$

$$\forall \text{ 2-cycle } \alpha, \beta = 1, \dots, 6$$

SUSY + tadpole conditions seem incompatible

- use 9 magnetized branes to fix all moduli

impose SUSY conditions

- introduce an extra brane(s)

to satisfy RR tadpole cancellation

$\Rightarrow$  dilaton potential from the FI D-term

$\Rightarrow$  two possibilities:

- keep SUSY by turning on charged scalar VEVs

I.A.-Kumar-Maillard '06

D-term condition (2) is modified to:

$$qv^2(J \wedge J \wedge J - J \wedge F \wedge F) = -(F \wedge F \wedge F - F \wedge J \wedge J)$$

- EFT validity  $\Rightarrow v < 1$  in string units
- Infinite family of (large volume) solutions  
invariance:  $\{F_a, J\} \rightarrow \{\Lambda F_a, \Lambda J\}$  for  $\Lambda \in \mathbb{N}$
- fixing the dilaton?

combine magnetic and 3-form fluxes

3-brane charge  $\Rightarrow T^6/\mathbb{Z}_2$  with O3 planes

- break SUSY in a AdS vacuum

I.A.-Derendinger-Maillard in preparation

add a 'non-critical' dilaton potential



D-term SUSY breaking  $\Rightarrow$

problem with Majorana gaugino masses

- lowest order: exact R-symmetry
- higher orders: suppressed by the string scale

I.A.-Taylor '04, I.A.-Narain-Taylor '05

However in toroidal models:

- gauge multiplets have extended SUSY
- $\Rightarrow$  Dirac gaugino masses without  $\mathcal{R}$
- non chiral intersections have  $N = 2$  SUSY

$\Rightarrow$  Higgs in  $N = 2$  hypermultiplet

$\Rightarrow$  New gauge mediation mechanism

I.A.-Benakli-Delgado-Quiros '07

SM observable sector: SUSY

gauginos: extended susy, Higgs hypermultiplet

Hidden (secluded) sector: SUSY breaking

messengers:  $N = 2$  hypermultiplets

with mixed quantum numbers

- Dirac gaugino masses:  $\sim \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \frac{D}{M}$

- Higgs potential:

$$V = V_{\text{soft}} + \frac{1}{8}(g^2 + g'^2)(|H_1|^2 - |H_2|^2)^2 \\ + \frac{1}{2}(g^2 + g'^2)|H_1 H_2|^2 \quad \Rightarrow$$

- lightest higgs  $h$  behaves as in SM

- heaviest  $H$  plays no role in EWSB,  $g_{ZH H} = 0$

- same as MSSM in  $\tan \beta \rightarrow \infty$

$\Rightarrow$  “little” fine tuning is greatly reduced

- Distinct collider signals different from MSSM