

# The neutrino problem in models from String theory

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## OUTLINE

■ Neutrino (s) mass in the Standard Model

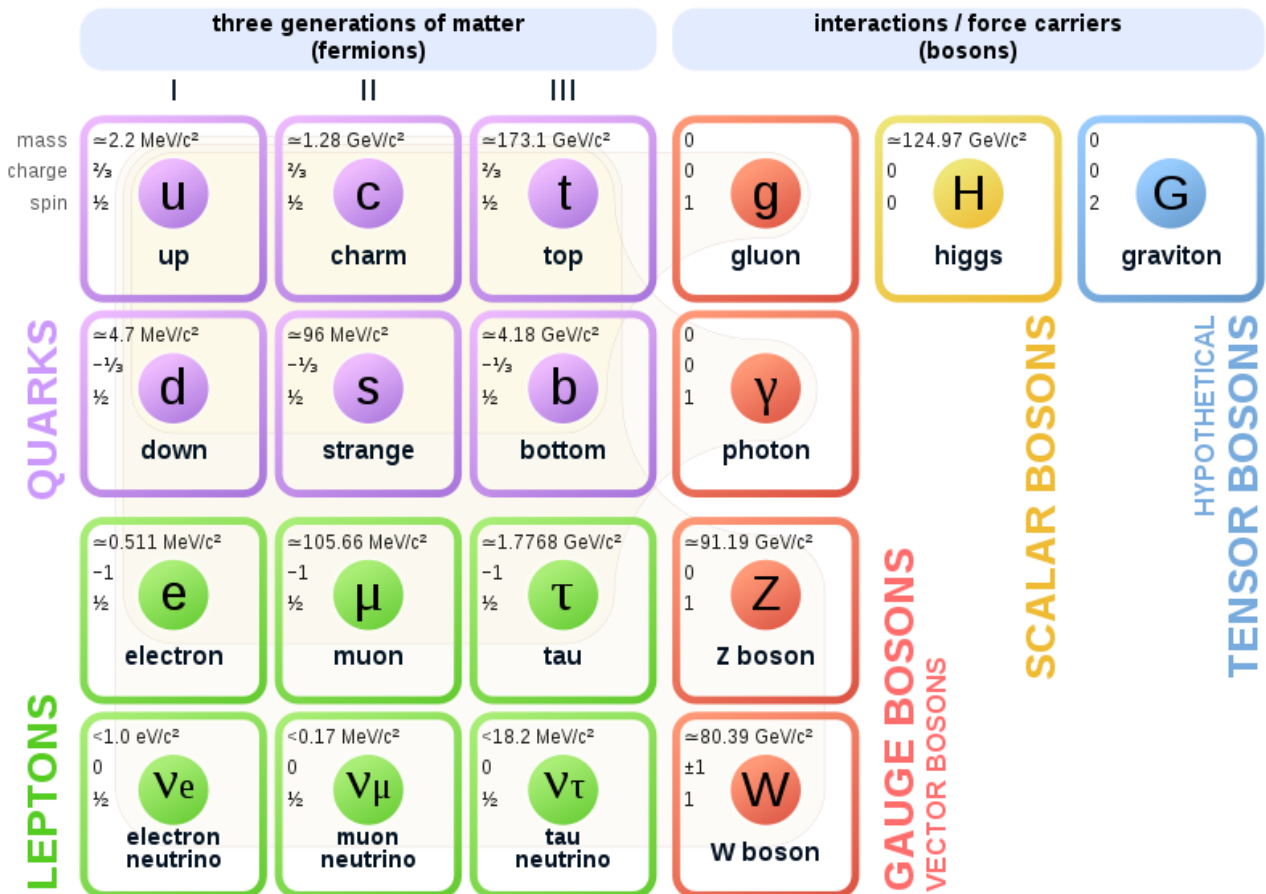
■ Neutrino (s) mass beyond Standard Model

- Neutrino mass in string theory  
e.g Intersecting D6-brane models  
[open strings]

- • Examine models with :
  - gauged baryon number (stable proton)
  - + right handed neutrinos
  - + sterile neutrinos ?

# STANDARD MODEL

## Standard Model of Elementary Particles and Gravity



● Accommodates 3 generations of neutrinos

NO Mass term for neutrinos

We need to find the particle content of the :  
**Standard Model** .The heaviest elementary particles  
 on the right side ...

Three Generations  
of Matter (Fermions)

	I	II	III	
mass →	2.4 MeV	1.27 GeV	171.2 GeV	0
charge →	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	0
spin →	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
name →	<b>u</b> up	<b>c</b> charm	<b>t</b> top	<b>γ</b> photon
	4.8 MeV	104 MeV	4.2 GeV	0
	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	0
	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
	<b>d</b> down	<b>s</b> strange	<b>b</b> bottom	<b>g</b> gluon
	$\ll 2.2$ eV	$\ll 0.17$ MeV	$\ll 15.5$ MeV	91.2 GeV
	0	0	0	0
	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
	<b>ν<sub>e</sub></b> electron neutrino	<b>ν<sub>μ</sub></b> muon neutrino	<b>ν<sub>τ</sub></b> tau neutrino	<b>Z</b> weak force
	0.511 MeV	105.7 MeV	1.777 GeV	80.4 GeV
	-1	-1	-1	$\pm 1$
	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
	<b>e</b> electron	<b>μ</b> muon	<b>τ</b> tau	<b>W</b> weak force

Quarks

Leptons

Bosons (Forces)

## Motivation for introducing mass term for neutrinos → beyond the SM

- No mass term for neutrinos in the SM
- A mass can only be introduced beyond the SM e.g. by adding a right handed neutrino ( $\nu_s$ )
- Discovery of neutrino oscillations (Super-Kamiokande experiment /1998)

**Neutrinos have a non-zero mass => BEYOND SM**

- Explain excess of low energy electronic recoil events, over known backgrounds, observed at XENON1T experiment

### More info

- Dark Matter (DM) contributes five times more to the energy of the Universe than ordinary matter.  
(Weakly interacting) dark matter candidates => sterile neutrinos of KeV masses + with small mixing with active neutrinos.

See e.g.

Miguel D. Campos<sup>1</sup>, and Werner Rodejohann

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1605.02918.pdf>;

Light sterile neutrinos : A white paper,

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1204.5379.pdf>;

# STRING THEORY

1 Macroscopic level - matter, 2 Molecular level,  
3 Atomic level, 4 Electrons, 5 Quarks, 6 String Theory

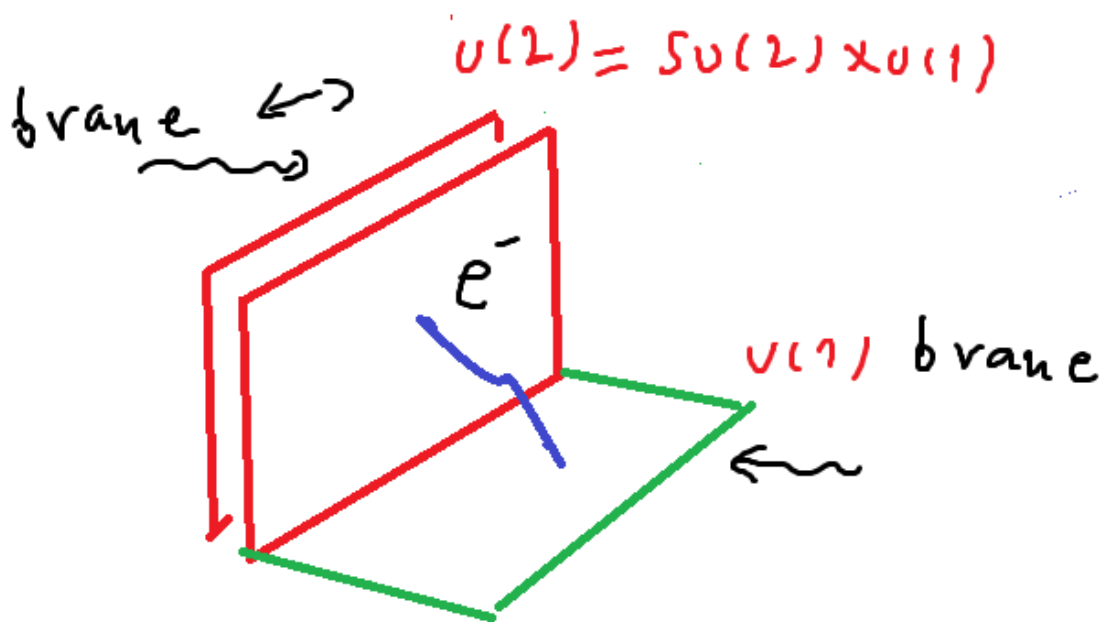


Particles  $\rightarrow$  localized among intersecting branes

What is an intersecting brane ?

A higher dimensional hypersurface

Simplest representation



$e^- \rightarrow (2,1)$  representation  $\rightarrow$  and charges  $(1,-1)$

Model  $\rightarrow$  Gauge Group :

$SU(3)_a \times SU(2)_b \times U(1)_a \times U(1)_b \times U(1)_c \times U(1)_d \times U(1)_e$

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## 5-stack (string) Standard Model

$$L = Q_d + Q_e$$

$$Q_a = 3B,$$

Matter Fields		Intersection	$Q_a$	$Q_b$	$Q_c$	$Q_d$	$Q_e$	Y
$Q_L$	(3, 2)	$I_{ab} = 1$	1	-1	0	0	0	1/6
$q_L$	$2(3, 2)$	$I_{ab^*} = 2$	1	1	0	0	0	1/6
$U_R$	$3(\bar{3}, 1)$	$I_{ac} = -3$	-1	0	1	0	0	-2/3
$D_R$	$3(3, 1)$	$I_{ac^*} = -3$	-1	0	-1	0	0	1/3
$L$	$2(1, 2)$	$I_{bd} = -2$	0	-1	0	1	0	-1/2
$l_L$	(1, 2)	$I_{de} = -1$	0	-1	0	0	1	-1/2
$N_R$	$2(1, 1)$	$I_{cd} = 2$	0	0	1	-1	0	0
$E_R$	$2(1, 1)$	$I_{cd^*} = -2$	0	0	-1	-1	0	1
$\nu_R$	(1, 1)	$I_{ce} = 1$	0	0	1	0	-1	0
$e_R$	(1, 1)	$I_{ce^*} = -1$	0	0	-1	0	-1	1

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# MATTER SPECTRUM

Matter Fields		Intersection	$Q_a$	$Q_b$	$Q_c$	$Q_d$	$Q_e$	Y
$Q_L$	(3, 2)	$I_{ab} = 1$	1	-1	0	0	0	1/6
$q_L$	2(3, 2)	$I_{ab^*} = 2$	1	1	0	0	0	1/6
$U_R$	3( $\bar{3}$ , 1)	$I_{ac} = -3$	-1	0	1	0	0	-2/3
$D_R$	3( $\bar{3}$ , 1)	$I_{ac^*} = -3$	-1	0	-1	0	0	1/3
$L$	2(1, 2)	$I_{bd} = -2$	0	-1	0	1	0	-1/2
$l_L$	(1, 2)	$I_{be} = -1$	0	-1	0	0	1	-1/2
$N_R$	2(1, 1)	$I_{cd} = 2$	0	0	1	-1	0	0
$E_R$	2(1, 1)	$I_{cd^*} = -2$	0	0	-1	-1	0	1
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Table 1: Low energy fermionic spectrum of the five stack string scale  $SU(3)_C \otimes SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_a \otimes U(1)_b \otimes U(1)_c \otimes U(1)_d \otimes U(1)_e$ , type I D6-brane model together with its  $U(1)$  charges. Note that at low energies only the SM gauge group  $SU(3) \otimes SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_Y$  survives.

# Predicts..

- ◆ The existence of only 1 or 2 supersymmetric particles : The spartners of the right handed neutrino, the **sneutrino**. The 2 sneutrinos come from the same intersection.

$$Q_u - 3Q_d - 3Q_e = 3(B - L)$$

Neutrinos in the right magnitude from chiral condensate

$$\alpha'(LN_R)(Q_L U_R)^*, \alpha'(\nu_R)(q_L U_R).$$

$$\frac{\langle u_R u_L \rangle}{M_s^2} = \frac{(240 \text{ MeV})^3}{M_s^2}$$

**AND**

- **EXPLAINS b-ANOMALIES**

A Stringy explanation of  $b \rightarrow s \ell^+ \ell^-$  anomalies"

A. Celis, W. Feng, D. Lust



Stringy  $Z'$  boson  $\rightarrow$  nonnegligible couplings to the first two quark generations

$Z'$  Mass  $\rightarrow \sim [3.5, 5.5]$  TeV,

should be possible to discover such a state directly during the next LHC runs via Drell-Yan production in :  
di-electron or  
di-muon decay channels

$$\text{Br}(Z' \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) / \text{Br}(Z' \rightarrow e^+ e^-) \sim [0.5-0.9]$$

# NEUTRINO MASSES

- can originate via chiral symmetry breaking

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$$\alpha'(LN_R)(Q_L U_R)^*, \quad \alpha'(l\nu_R)(q_L U_R)$$

From u-quark chiral condensate

$$\frac{\langle u_R u_L \rangle}{M_s^2} = \frac{(240 \text{ MeV})^3}{M_s^2}$$

$$M_\nu \sim (0.1-10 \text{ eV})$$

# STERILE NEUTRINOS

- Sterile neutrinos in GAUGE THEORY →

## Inverse See Saw mechanism

$$\lambda_1 \nu_R \nu_L H + \lambda_2 \nu_R H N + \lambda_3 \frac{1}{M_{GUT}} \bar{K}^2 N N$$

$$m_D = \lambda_1 \langle H \rangle, \quad V_R = \lambda_2 \langle H \rangle, \quad \mu = \frac{\lambda_3}{M_{GUT}} \langle \tilde{K} \rangle^2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & m_D^T & 0 \\ m_D & 0 & V_R \\ 0 & V_R & \mu \end{pmatrix}$$

- Sterile neutrinos in INTERSECTING D-BRANE models

- Sterile neutrinos in eigenstate basis  
( $\nu_L, \nu_R, N_1$ )
- the mass matrix becomes

$$M_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & m_D & 0 \\ m_D & 0 & m_N \\ 0 & m_N & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

~similar results on Calabi-Yau compactifications > Mohapatra and Valle