# Torsion induced soft-breaking terms

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## Motivation

- One of the most interesting adventures of String Theory is understanding its mechanisms for SUSY-breaking.
- The capability of String Theory to make 4d phenomenological axioms is limited by several issues:
  - The "landscape problem"  $\implies$  which background??
  - We do not know how to compute string amplitudes in a generic background  $\implies$  work in the supergravity limit
  - We do not know how to perform dimensional reduction in a generic manifold (non Calabi-Yau)

## Motivation

- A particularly interesting setup are GKP compactifications:
  - 1.- The deformation of the moduli space due to the 3-form flux is effectively described in 4d by the GVW superpotential:

$$W = \int_{CY} (F_3 - ie^{-\phi} H_3) \wedge \Omega$$

No scale structure

$$\begin{cases} \sum_{\tilde{i}} K^{\tilde{i}\tilde{j}} \partial_{\tilde{i}} K \partial_{\tilde{j}} K = 3 \\ K^{\tilde{i}\tilde{j}} = 0 \\ \partial_{\tilde{i}} W = 0 \end{cases} \implies V = e^{K} \sum_{i,j \neq \tilde{i}} K^{i\tilde{j}} D_{i} W D_{\tilde{j}} \overline{W}$$

2.- In addition, 3-form fluxes induce  $\mu$ -terms in the worldvolume of D7-branes:

$$W_{D7_i} \sim (F_{\bar{j}\bar{k}i} + ie^{-\phi}H_{\bar{j}\bar{k}i})\phi^i\phi^i$$
  $i \neq j \neq k$ 

3.- Add other effects in the effective theory (non-perturbative effects, loop corrections, anti-branes...)



Phenomenological models (KKLT, LVS,...)

## Outline

- Basics of generalized geometry
- No-scale orientifold compactifications with torsion
- Torsion-induced μ-terms
- Moduli dominated soft-terms
- Open-string wavefunctions
- Conclusions

# SU(3)-structure

We consider orientifold compact. on SU(3)-structure manifolds:

$$J \wedge \Omega = 0 \; , \qquad J \wedge J \wedge J = -\, rac{3i}{4} \, \Omega \wedge ar{\Omega}$$



• 
$$J$$
 defines a symplectic structure  $J_{mn}$  
$$\Omega \text{ defines a complex structure } I^m{}_n$$
 
$$\begin{cases} g_{mn} = J_{mp} \, I^p{}_n \\ \text{global SU(3)-invariant spinor } \eta \end{cases}$$

In general non-integrable structures: torsion classes

$$dJ = \frac{3}{2} \operatorname{Im}(W_1 \overline{\Omega}) + W_4 \wedge J + W_3 ,$$
  
$$d\Omega = W_1 J \wedge J + W_2 \wedge J + \overline{W}_5 \wedge \Omega ,$$

# Generalized geometry

[Hitchin et al.; Grana et al.]

• Generalized complex structure:

$$\mathcal{J}: T_{\mathcal{M}_6 \oplus \mathcal{M}_6^*} \to T_{\mathcal{M}_6 \oplus \mathcal{M}_6^*}, \quad \mathcal{J}^2 = -1$$

$$\mathcal{J}_{-} = egin{pmatrix} I & 0 \ 0 & -I^T \end{pmatrix} \;, \qquad \mathcal{J}_{+} = egin{pmatrix} 0 & J^{-1} \ -J & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Isomorphism:**  $\{\mathcal{J}\} \simeq \{O(6,6) \text{ pure spinors}\} \simeq \{(\text{poly-})\text{forms}\}$ 

$$\Phi_{-} = e^{i\theta_{-}} \Omega , \qquad \Phi_{+} = e^{i\theta_{+}} e^{-iJ}$$

- NSNS 3-form:  $d_H \Phi \equiv e^B d(e^{-B} \Phi)$
- Mukai product:  $\langle A, B \rangle = (-1)^{[(n+1)/2]} A_n \wedge B_{6-n}$

## Effective theory

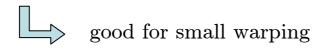
[Benmachiche, Grimm]

$$K = -\log\left[-i\int\langle\Phi_1,\bar{\Phi}_1\rangle\right] - 2\log\left[-i\int\langle\Phi_2,\bar{\Phi}_2\rangle\right] - 2\log\left(e^{-2\phi}\right)$$
 
$$W = \int\langle\Phi_1,d_H\Pi\rangle \qquad \qquad \frac{\Phi_1 \quad \Phi_2}{\text{IIA} \quad \Phi_+ \quad \Phi_-}$$
 with  $\Pi = \mathcal{C} + i\,e^{-\phi}\operatorname{Re}\Phi_2$ 

- In order to perform the integrals we need the internal profile of the fields. That is equivalent to solve the generalized Laplace equation for this background.

[work in progress...]

- For the time being, we expand as if we were in a Calabi-Yau and take the lowest mode to be constant



## No-scale vacua with torsion

• We take the following strategy:

$$W = \int \langle \Phi_1, d_H \Pi \rangle$$

1.- Decompose  $d_H \Pi$  in SU(3) representations

$$d_H \Pi = G^+ + G^- \quad , \quad *_6 \lambda [G^{\pm}] = \pm i G^{\pm} \; ,$$

IIB: 
$$G^+ = \frac{3}{2}G^+_{(1)}\overline{\Omega} + G^+_{(3)} \wedge J + G^+_{(6)}$$

IIA: 
$$G^+ = G^+_{(1)} e^{iJ} + G^+_{mn} \gamma^m e^{-iJ} \gamma^n + G^+_m \gamma^m \bar{\Omega} + \tilde{G}^+_m \Omega \gamma^m$$

and similar expressions for  $G^-$ ...

- 2.- Compute the F-terms
- 3.- Translate the no-scale condition into conditions on the SU(3) reps.
- 4.- Complete the solutions with warping

# No-scale vacua with torsion

2 types of no-scale solutions

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- d_H\Pi is an ISD poly-form (e.g. GKP)
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⇒ breaking mediated (at tree-level) by hypermultiplets

[also Lawrence et al.]

- $d_H\Pi$  is a real poly-form (only NSNS-flux)
  - breaking mediated (at tree-level) by vector multiplets (1/3) and hypermultiplets (2/3)

- Necessary conditions, but not sufficient  $\implies$  constraints on the manifold



#### - Example 1. IIB-O9/O5, $d_H\Pi$ ISD

-  $\mathcal{M}_6$  a fibration of a complex 2-cycle  $\Sigma_2$  over a 4d base B

$$J = J_B + J_{\Sigma_2}$$
,  $dJ_{\Sigma_2} \neq 0$ ,  $dJ_B \wedge \Omega = 0$ 

- No-scale condition 
$$\implies G^- = 0 \implies \begin{cases} \mathcal{W}_1 = e^{\phi} F_{(1)} \; , \\ \mathcal{W}_2 = 2 \mathcal{W}_1 (J_B - 2 J_{\Sigma_2}) \; , \\ \mathcal{W}_3 = -e^{\phi} *_6 F_{(6)} \; , \\ \mathcal{W}_5^* = \frac{i}{2} e^{\phi} F_{(3)} = -\bar{\partial} A = -\frac{1}{2} \overline{\partial} \phi \end{cases}$$

- E.g. compactification on nilmanifold (0, 0, 45 - 15 - 42, 0, 0, 0) and

$$g_s F_3 = -\frac{t}{8u^3} [(1-3iu)\Omega + (1-iu)(z^1 \wedge z^2 \wedge \bar{z}^3 + z^1 \wedge \bar{z}^2 \wedge z^3 + \bar{z}^1 \wedge z^2 \wedge z^3)] + e^{2A} *_4 d(e^{-4A}) + c.c$$

#### - Example 2. IIA-O6, $d_H\Pi$ real

-  $\mathcal{M}_6$  a trivial fibration of a complex 2-cycle  $\Sigma_2$  over a 4d base B

$$J = J_{\mathcal{B}} + J_{\Sigma_2} , \quad dJ_{\Sigma_2} = 0 , \quad K_{U_k} = -\log(U + U^*) + K'_{U_{\tilde{k}}} , \quad K'^{\tilde{k}\tilde{p}}K'_{\tilde{k}}K'_{\tilde{p}} = 2$$

- No-scale condition 
$$\Longrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} G^+ \ + \ G^- \ {\rm real} \\ \\ G^\pm_{mn}\big|_{\mathcal{B}} = 0 \ , \quad \int J_{\mathcal{B}} \wedge d(\alpha_0 + \frac{{\rm Re}\ U}{{\rm Re}\ S} \beta_U) = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

- E.g. compactification on algebraic solvmanifold (0, 64, 45, 0, 34, 42)
- In type IIB these are always non-geometric compactifications

## Torsion induced $\mu$ -terms

- Dp-branes wrapping (generalized) calibrated cycles:

[Koerber, Martucci]

- D5-branes wrapping complex 2-cycles
   D6-branes wrapping special lagrangian 3-cycles

F-term condition 
$$\Longrightarrow$$
  $W = \int_{\mathcal{B}} P_{\mathcal{B}}[e^{3A-\phi}\Phi_1] \wedge e^{\tilde{\mathcal{F}}}$   $\bigcup_{\Sigma}$   $\bigcup_{\Sigma \to \delta}$  "easy" for lowest mode in adjoints

Torsion induces *u*-terms in the worldvolume. SUSY-breaking in the bulk gets manifest as soft-breaking terms, open-string moduli fixing.

- Twisted tori are a good laboratory:

$$de^a = \frac{1}{2} f^a_{bc} e^b \wedge e^c , \quad f^a_{[bc} f^g_{d]a} = 0$$

# Torsion induced µ-terms

	D9	$D5_1$	$D5_2$	$D5_3$
$u_1\mu_{11}$	$\int  ilde{f}_{ar{2}ar{3}}^{ar{1}}$	0	$ ilde{f}_{1ar{2}}^3$	$ ilde{ ilde{f}_{ar{3}1}^2}$
$u_2\mu_{22}$	$\left  \begin{array}{c} f_{\bar{3}\bar{1}}^2 \\ \widetilde{r}\bar{3} \end{array} \right $	$f_{ar{1}2}^3 \ \widetilde{r}^2$	$0 \ \widetilde{\boldsymbol{r}} 1$	$f_{2\bar{3}}^{1}$
$u_3\mu_{33}$	$J_{\bar{1}\bar{2}}$	$J_{3\overline{1}}^{-}$	$J\bar{\bar{2}3}$	U

	$D6_0$	$D6_1$
$t_1\mu_{11}$	$\frac{1}{2u_1}(T_2f_{\hat{1}\hat{3}}^2 - T_3f_{\hat{1}\hat{2}}^3 - 2T_1f_{23}^1)$	$\frac{1}{2s}(T_2f_{\hat{3}\hat{1}}^2 + T_3f_{\hat{1}\hat{2}}^3 - T_1f_{\hat{2}\hat{3}}^1)$
$t_2\mu_{22}$	$\frac{1}{2u_2}(-T_1f_{\hat{2}3}^1 + T_3f_{\hat{2}1}^3 + 2T_2f_{31}^2)$	$\frac{-1}{2u_3} \left(2T_3 f_{12}^3 + T_1 f_{2\hat{3}}^{\hat{1}} + T_2 f_{1\hat{3}}^{\hat{2}}\right)$
$t_3\mu_{33}$	$\frac{1}{2u_3}(T_1f_{\hat{3}2}^{\hat{1}} - T_2f_{\hat{3}1}^{\hat{2}} + 2T_3f_{12}^3)$	$\frac{1}{2u_2}(2T_2f_{13}^2 + T_1f_{3\hat{2}}^{\hat{1}} + T_3f_{1\hat{2}}^{\hat{3}})$
ĺ	D.a.	D.a
	$D6_2$	$D6_3$
$t_1\mu_{11}$	$\frac{1}{2u_3}(2T_3f_{21}^3 + T_1f_{2\hat{3}}^{\hat{1}} + T_2f_{1\hat{3}}^{\hat{2}})$	$\frac{-1}{2u_2}(2T_2f_{31}^2 + T_3f_{1\hat{2}}^{\hat{3}} + T_1f_{3\hat{2}}^{\hat{1}})$
$t_1\mu_{11}$ $t_2\mu_{22}$	<u> </u>	

- Most of the adjoints a priori can be lifted by the torsion!
- Good matching with the T-dual result in vacua where a T-dual description is available.
- Non-holomorphic terms are due to terms in the Kahler potential contributing through the Giudice-Masiero mechanism

## Moduli dominated soft-terms

We can compute the induced soft-terms for pure moduli mediation:

$$K(M, \bar{M}, \phi, \bar{\phi}) = \hat{K}(M, \bar{M}) + Z_{i\bar{j}}(M, \bar{M}) \phi^{i} \bar{\phi}^{\bar{j}} + \frac{1}{2} (H_{ij}(M, \bar{M}) \phi^{i} \phi^{j} + \text{h.c.}) + \dots ,$$

$$W(M, \phi) = W(M) + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\mu}_{ij}(M) \phi^{i} \phi^{j} + \frac{1}{6} \tilde{Y}_{ijk}(M) \phi^{i} \phi^{j} \phi^{k} + \dots ,$$

$$V = e^{K} \left( \sum_{i,j} K^{i\bar{j}} D_{i} W D_{\bar{j}} \overline{W} - 3|W|^{2} \right)$$

	D9	$D5_1$	$D5_2$	$D5_3$
$\mu_{11}$	0	0	$4e^{\hat{K}/2}\tilde{f}_{1\bar{2}}^{3}t_{3}$	0
$\mu_{22}$	0	$4e^{\hat{K}/2}\tilde{f}_{\bar{1}2}^3t_3$	0	0
$\mu_{33}$	$4e^{\hat{K}/2}\tilde{f}_{\bar{1}\bar{2}}^{\bar{3}}t_3$	0	0	0
$m_{1\bar{1}}^2$	0	0	$ \mu_{33} ^2 +  m_{3/2} ^2$	0
$m^2_{2ar{2}}$	0	$ \mu_{22} ^2 +  m_{3/2} ^2$	0	0
$\begin{array}{c} m^2_{1\bar{1}} \\ m^2_{2\bar{2}} \\ m^2_{3\bar{3}} \end{array}$	$ \mu_{11} ^2 +  m_{3/2} ^2$	0	0	0
$B_{11}$	0	0	$2\mu_{33}\bar{m}_{3/2}$	0
$B_{22}$	0	$2\mu_{22}\bar{m}_{3/2}$	0	0
$B_{33}$	$2\mu_{11}\bar{m}_{3/2}$	0	0	0
$A_{123}$	$g_{D9}m_{3/2}$	$g_{D5_1}m_{3/2}$	$g_{D5_2}m_{3/2}$	0
$C_{1\bar{2}\bar{3}}$	0	0	$\mu_{33}  g_{D5_2}$	0
$C_{\bar{1}2\bar{3}}$	0	$\mu_{22}  g_{D5_1}$	0	0
$C_{\bar{1}\bar{2}3}$	$\mu_{11}g_{D9}$	0	0	0

**Table 3:** Torsion induced soft parameters for D9,  $D5_1$ ,  $D5_2$  and  $D5_3$ -branes, in a no-scale vacuum of a factorizable twisted torus with W independent of  $S, T_1, T_2$ , and  $D_M W = 0$  for the remaining moduli. The gauge coupling constants are  $g_{D9} = (S + \bar{S})^{-1/2}$  and  $g_{D5_k} = (T^k + \bar{T}^k)^{-1/2}$ , and we have set  $M_{Pl} = 1$ .

## Moduli dominated soft-terms

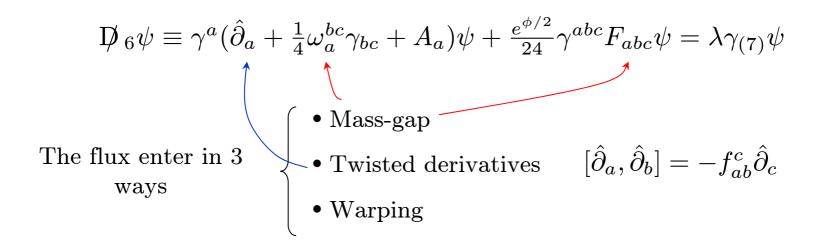
	$D6_0$	$D6_1$	$D6_2$	$D6_3$
$\mu_{11}$	$2e^{\frac{\hat{K}}{2}}(t_2f_{\hat{1}3}^{\hat{2}}-t_3f_{\hat{1}2}^{\hat{3}})$	$2e^{\frac{\hat{K}}{2}}(t_2f_{\hat{3}\hat{1}}^2 + t_3f_{\hat{1}\hat{2}}^3)$	0	0
$\mu_{22}$	0	0	$2e^{\frac{\hat{K}}{2}}(t_2f_{\hat{1}\hat{3}}^2 + t_3f_{\hat{1}\hat{2}}^3)$	$2e^{\frac{\hat{K}}{2}}(t_2f_{3\hat{1}}^2 + t_3f_{2\hat{1}}^3)$
$\mu_{33}$	0	0	$2e^{\frac{\hat{K}}{2}}(t_2f_{\hat{1}3}^2 + t_3f_{\hat{1}2}^3)$	$2e^{\frac{\hat{K}}{2}}(t_2f_{\hat{3}\hat{1}}^2 - t_3f_{\hat{1}\hat{2}}^3)$
$m_{1ar{1}}^2$	$ \mu_{11} ^2$	$ \mu_{11} ^2$	$- m_{3/2} ^2$	$- m_{3/2} ^2$
$m_{2\bar{2}}^2$	0	0	$ \mu_{22} ^2 +  m_{3/2} ^2$	$ \mu_{22} ^2 +  m_{3/2} ^2$
$m_{2ar{2}}^{2} \ m_{3ar{3}}^{2}$	0	0	$ \mu_{33} ^2 +  m_{3/2} ^2$	$ \mu_{33} ^2 +  m_{3/2} ^2$
$B_{11}$	0	0	0	0
$B_{22}$	0	0	$2\mu_{22}ar{m}_{3/2}$	$2\mu_{22}\bar{m}_{3/2}$
$B_{33}$	0	0	$2\mu_{33}ar{m}_{3/2}$	$2\mu_{33}\bar{m}_{3/2}$
$A_{123}$	0	0	$g_{D6_2}m_{3/2}$	$g_{D6_3}m_{3/2}$
$C_{1\bar{2}\bar{3}}$	$\mu_{11}  g_{D6_0}$	$\mu_{11}  g_{D6_1}$	0	0
$C_{ar{1}2ar{3}}$	0	0	$\mu_{22}g_{D6_2}$	$\mu_{22}g_{D6_3}$
$C_{ar{1}ar{2}3}$	0	0	$\mu_{33}g_{D6_2}$	$\mu_{33}g_{D6_3}$

**Table 4:** Torsion induced soft parameters for  $D6_M$ -branes, in a no-scale vacuum of a factorizable twisted torus with W independent of  $T_1, U_2, U_3$ . The gauge coupling constants are  $g_{D6_0} = (S + \bar{S})^{-1/2}$  and  $g_{D6_k} = (U^k + \bar{U}^k)^{-1/2}$ , and we have set  $M_{Pl} = 1$ .

# Open-string wavefunctions

[work in progress with F.Marchesano]

Consider e.g. D9-branes. The 4d spectrum of fermionic open-string deformations is given by solving the generalized internal Dirac operator. This can be obtained from the 10d gaugino action,



The lowest uncharged mode is indeed constant (up to warping):

$$\hat{\partial}_a(\text{const.}) = 0 \implies \lambda = \text{mass gap} = e^{K/2} \mu\text{-term}$$

We can address the problem with the tools of non-commutative harmonic analysis.

# Open-string wavefunctions

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E.g. consider compactification in (5d Heisenberg manifold)  $\times$   $S^1$  + RR flux

fibration  $S^1$  over  $T^4$ 

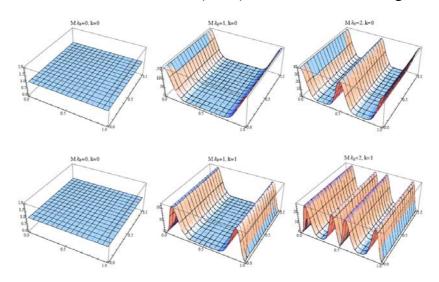
Two types of modes:

same than in a  $T^6$ 

- not excited along the fiber 
$$\lambda^2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{t^1\tau_1^1}[k_4^2 + k_1^2(\tau_1^1)^2] + \frac{4\pi^2}{t^2\tau_1^2}[k_5^2 + k_2^2(\tau_1^2)^2] + \frac{4\pi^2\tau_1^3}{t^3}k_3^2 \quad \checkmark$$

- excited along the fiber

$$\lambda^{2} = \frac{4\pi M|k_{6}|}{(t_{1}t_{2})^{1/2}}(n+1) + \frac{4\pi^{2}}{t^{3}\tau_{1}^{3}}[k_{6}^{2} + k_{3}^{2}(\tau_{1}^{3})^{2}]$$



## **Conclusions**

- Generalized geometry provide us with a good framework for exploring no-scale solutions in general SU(3)-structure compactifications. These could be used as 'starting point' of phenomenological scenarios.
- Two types of no-scale vacua, characterized by an ISD poly-form (e.g GKP, breaking by hypers) or by a real poly-form (no RR flux, breaking by mixture of hypers and vectors).
- We computed the torsion-induced effective  $\mu$ -terms for the adjoints inside D5, D6 and D9-branes, for twisted tori. The pattern results very rich, a priori allowing for the lifting of many of the adjoints.
- Uncharged light modes have a constant internal profile, turning the dimensional reduction easy. For other modes, one has to solve the internal generalized Dirac and Laplace operators.