

# Cosmological constant at finite string coupling in F-theory flux compactifications

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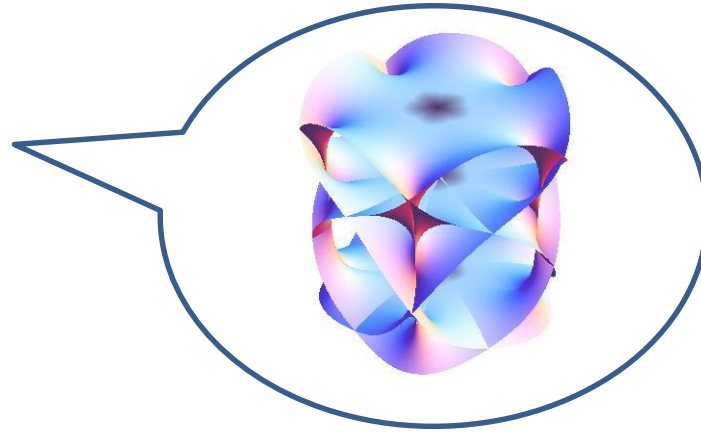
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# Moduli stabilization in string theory

(Perturbative) superstring theory predicts the extra 6D space

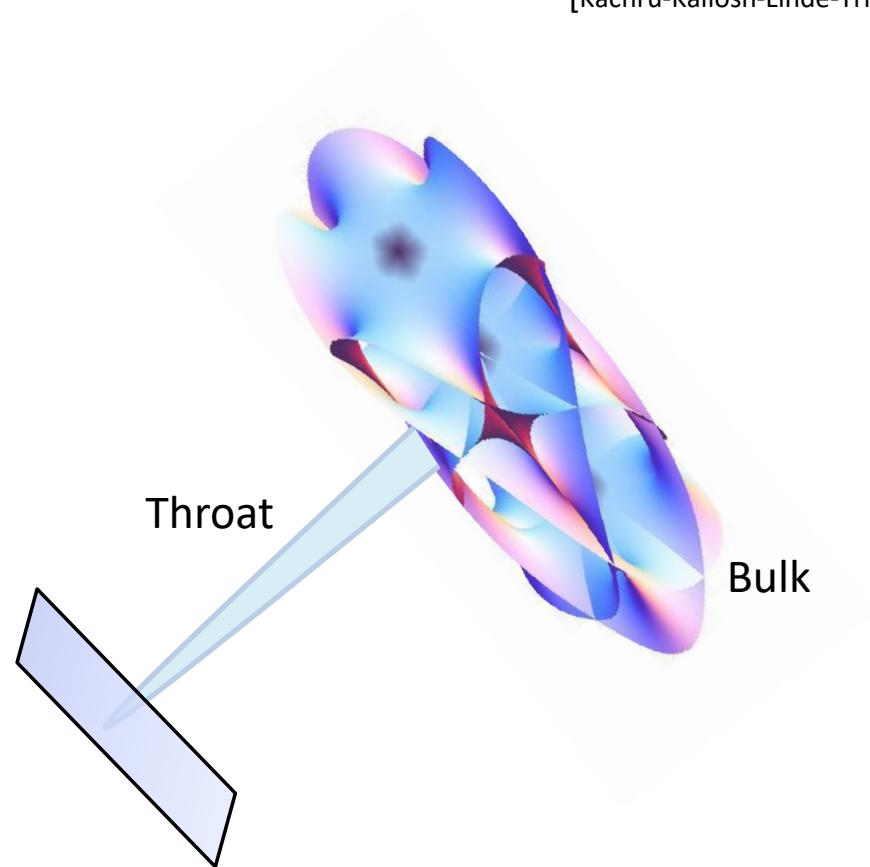
$$10 = 4 + 6$$



- The geometric parameters of extra 6D dimensions  
→ 4D scalar fields (called moduli)
- Stabilization of the extra dimensional space  
→ Moduli stabilization (creating a moduli potential)
- Realization of de Sitter spacetime  
(dark energy and inflation)

# KKLT scenario : Prototypical example of dS vacua

[Kachru-Kalosh-Linde-Trivedi '03]



$\overline{D3}$  sits at the bottom of a warped throat of CY  
→ Tiny positive energy

$$V_{\overline{D3}} \sim \frac{e^{4A_{\min}}}{V_{\text{CY}}^2}$$

$V_{\text{CY}}$  : CY volume

Recently,

Maldacena-Nunez type no-go theorem for the KKLT uplift was strongly debated.

- Gaugino condensation on D7-branes in the analysis of the 10D Einstein equation, starting from [Moritz-Retolaza-Westphal '17,...]
- Reliability of the KKLT minimum :  
A finite number of KK modes are lighter than UV cut-off.  
[Blumenhagen-Klawer-Schlechter, '19]
- Existence of the runaway behavior for the conifold modulus, parametrizing the length of the throat [Bena-Dudas-Grana-Lust, '18]

Can we construct the dS models in a general moduli space of CY ?

- Non-supersymmetric fluxes (in contrast to the GKP construction)

$$iG_3 \neq *_6 G_3$$

Non-supersymmetric fluxes also lead to the positive energy demonstrated in toroidal orientifold

- No a priori need for warped throats

[A. Saltman and E. Silverstein'04]

This talk :

We discuss non-SUSY minima in F-theory compactifications

with Y. Honma

# Outline

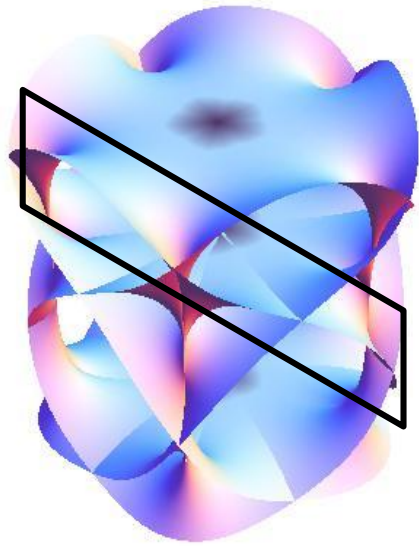
## ✓ Introduction

## ○ Flux compactification in F-theory

- SUSY minimum
- SUSY-breaking (de Sitter) minimum

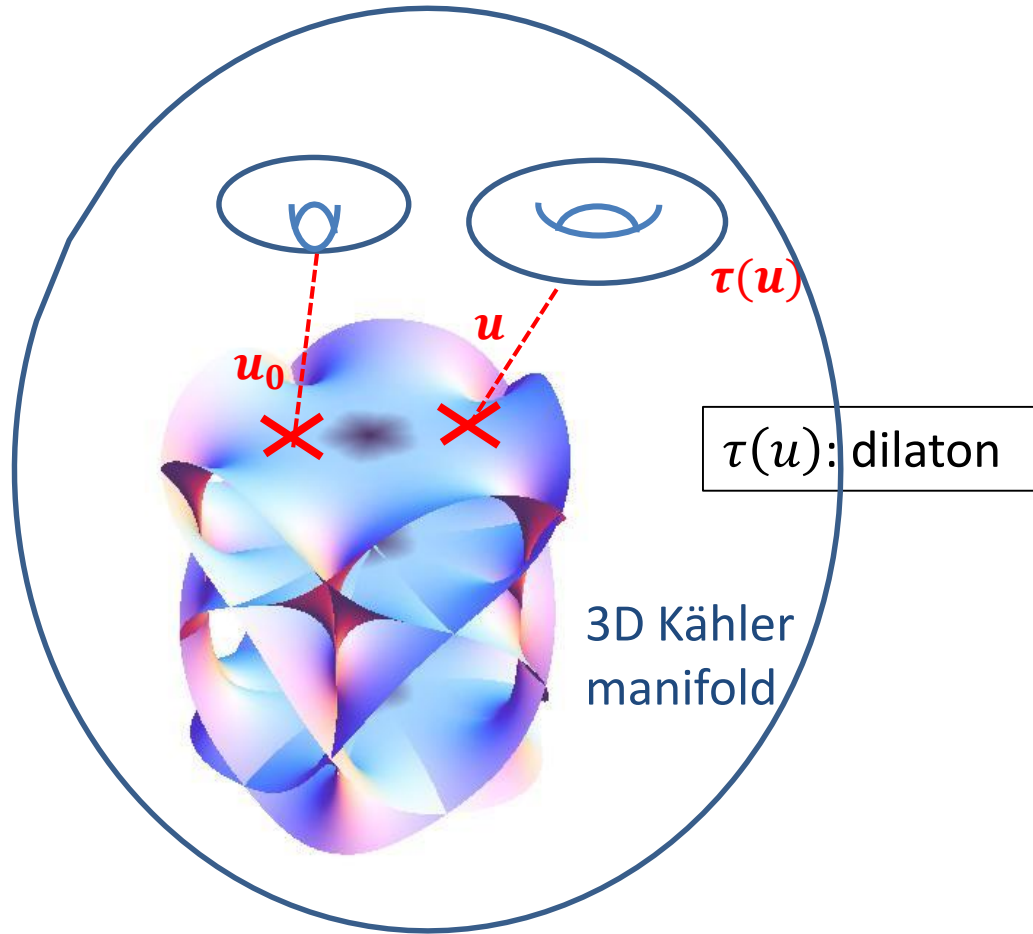
## ○ Conclusion

# F-theory compactification on CY4



CY3+branes

Complex structure moduli of CY3  
Dilaton  
Open string (brane) moduli



Elliptically fibered CY4

Complex structure moduli of CY4

# Flux compactification in F-theory on CY4

## ○ The orientifold limit of F-theory

[Dasgupta-Rajesh-Sethi '99, Denef-Douglas-Florea-Grassi-Kachru '05]

## ○ $K3 \times K3$ background [Berglund-Mayr '13]

## ○ Elliptically fibered CY4 in the large complex structure limit

[Honma-Otsuka '17,19]

We focus on

Elliptically fibered CY4 = mirror-dual to Quintic CY3 over  $CP^1$

[Berglund-Mayr '98, Jockers-Mayr-Walcher '09]



# Elliptically fibered CY4

○ In the toric language,  
A-model : Quintic CY3 over  $CP^1$

[Berglund-Mayr '98,  
Grimm-Ha-Klemm-Klevers '09,  
Jockers-Mayr-Walcher '09]

$$l_1 = (-4, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, -1, -1, 0)$$

$$l_2 = (-1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, -1, 0)$$

$$l_3 = (0, -2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1)$$

$l_1 + l_2$ : Quintic CY3

$l_2$ : brane deformation

$l_3$ : base  $CP^1$

B-model : Elliptically fibered CY4

# F-theory on elliptically fibered CY4 $\rightarrow$ 4D N=1 supergravity

**In 4D N=1 effective SUGRA (in  $M_{\text{pl}} = 1$  unit)**

Kähler potential:

$$K = -\ln \int_{\text{CY4}} \Omega \wedge \bar{\Omega} - 2 \ln V_{\text{vol}}$$

$\Omega$  : hol. 4-form of CY4

$V_{\text{vol}}$  : Volume of 3D Kähler base

Superpotential:

$$W = \int_{\text{CY4}} G_4 \wedge \Omega$$

[Gukov-Vafa-Witten, '99]

Scalar potential:

$$V = e^K \left( \sum_{I,J} K^{I\bar{J}} D_I W D_{\bar{J}} W \right)$$

$I, J$  : CS moduli of CY4

$$D_I W = \partial_I W + W \partial_I K$$

# ● F-theory compactification on elliptically fibered CY4 (mirror-dual to Quintic CY3 over $CP^1$ )

$z$ : Closed string modulus

[Berglund-Mayr '98, Jockers-Mayr-Walcher '09,  
Honma-Otsuka'17]

$S$ : Dilaton

$z_1$ : Brane modulus

$n_i = \int_{\gamma^i} G_4$ : Quantized fluxes  $\gamma^i \in H_4^H(CY4, \mathbf{Z})$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, 11$ )

Kähler potential:

$$K = -\ln[-i(S - \bar{S})] - \ln \left[ \frac{5i}{6}(z - \bar{z})^3 + \frac{i}{S - \bar{S}} \left( -\frac{1}{6}(z_1 - \bar{z}_1)^4 + \frac{5}{12}(z - \bar{z})^4 \right) \right] - 2 \ln \mathcal{V}$$

NLO in  $g_s$  correction

Superpotential:

$$W = n_{11} + n_{10}S + n_8z + n_6Sz + \frac{5}{2} \left( \frac{n_5}{5} + \frac{2n_6}{5} \right) z^2 - \frac{5n_4}{6} z^3 - n_2 \left( \frac{5}{2}Sz^2 + \frac{5}{3}z^3 \right) - n_9z_1 - \frac{n_7}{2}z_1^2 - \frac{2n_3}{3}z_1^3 + n_1 \left( \frac{5}{6}Sz^3 + \frac{5}{12}z^4 - \frac{1}{6}z_1^4 \right)$$

## ● Result : SUSY fluxes

As a consequence of the self-dual condition to  $G_4$  fluxes, all the moduli fields are stabilized at

$$D_S W = D_Z W = D_{z_1} W = 0$$

$z$ : Closed string modulus  
 $S$ : Dilaton  
 $z_1$ : Brane modulus  
 $n_i$ : Quantized fluxes

VEVs:

$$\text{Re}z = \text{Re}z_1 = \text{Re}S = 0$$

$$\text{Im}z = \left( \frac{6n_{11}}{5n_1} \right)^{1/4} \frac{2\sqrt{n_6}}{(8n_6(n_5 + n_6) - 5n_7^2)^{1/4}},$$

$$\text{Im}z_1 = \left( \frac{30n_{11}}{n_1} \right)^{1/4} \frac{\sqrt{n_7}}{(8n_6(n_5 + n_6) - 5n_7^2)^{1/4}},$$

$$\text{Im}S = \left( \frac{6n_{11}}{5n_1} \right)^{1/4} \frac{n_5}{\sqrt{n_6}(8n_6(n_5 + n_6) - 5n_7^2)^{1/4}}$$

## ● Result : SUSY fluxes

- Taking into account the tadpole condition,

$$\frac{\chi}{24} = n_{D3} + \frac{1}{2} \int_{CY4} G_4 \wedge G_4$$

$\chi=1860$ : Euler number of CY4  
 $n_{D3}$ : # of D3

we find the consistent F-theory SUSY vacuum, e.g.,

$$n_1 = 1, n_5 = 15, n_6 = 10, n_7 = 2, n_{11} = 28$$

$$n_{D3} = 0$$

- All the moduli fields can be stabilized at

$$\text{Re}z = \text{Re}z_1 = \text{Re}S = 0,$$

$$\text{Im}z \simeq 2.28, \quad \text{Im}z_1 \simeq 1.14, \quad \text{Im}S \simeq 1.71$$

- The masses of all the moduli fields are positive definite.

## ● SUSY-breaking fluxes

- We consider full  $G_4$ -fluxes, leading to the stabilization of moduli

$$V > 0 \quad \partial_I V = 0 \quad \partial_I \partial_J V > 0$$

$$I = z, S, z_1$$

- Fluxes are constrained by the tadpole cancellation condition :

$$\frac{\chi}{24} = 0 + \frac{1}{2} \int_{CY4} G_4 \wedge G_4$$

$\chi=1860$ : Euler number of CY4

$$n_{D3} = 0$$

- We numerically search for fluxes to realize dS minimum with

$$V = \frac{C}{V_{\text{vol}}^2} M_{\text{pl}}^4 > 0 \quad C < 1$$

$C$ : constant determined by fluxes

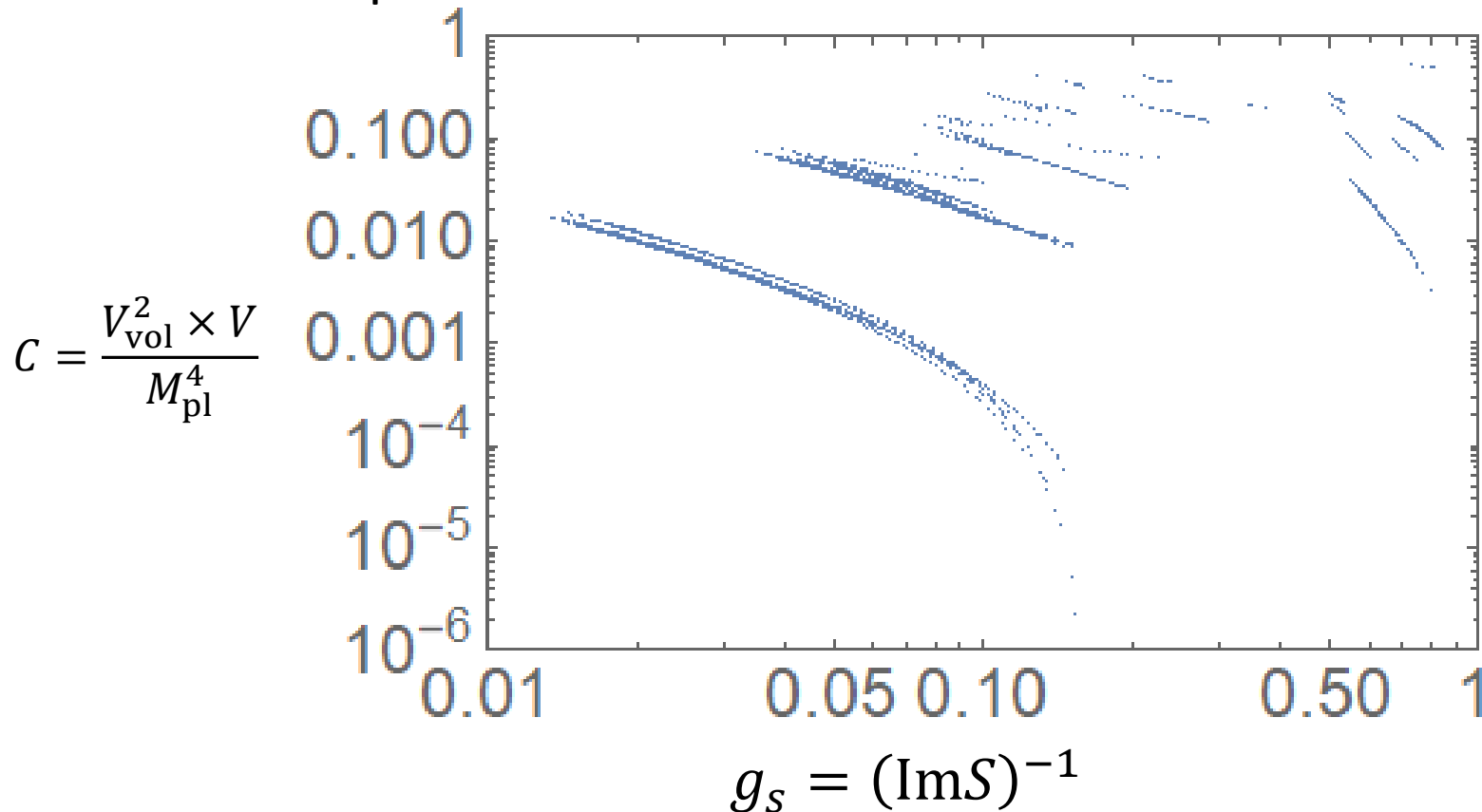
## ● Result: SUSY-breaking fluxes

At present, dS minima exist within the following set of fluxes:

$$n_1 = n_2 = 0 \quad -6 \leq n_7 \leq 6 \quad -10 \leq n_5, n_6 \leq 10$$

$$-8 \leq n_3, n_4, n_8, n_9, n_{10}, n_{11} \leq 8$$

Each dot corresponds to the dS minima.

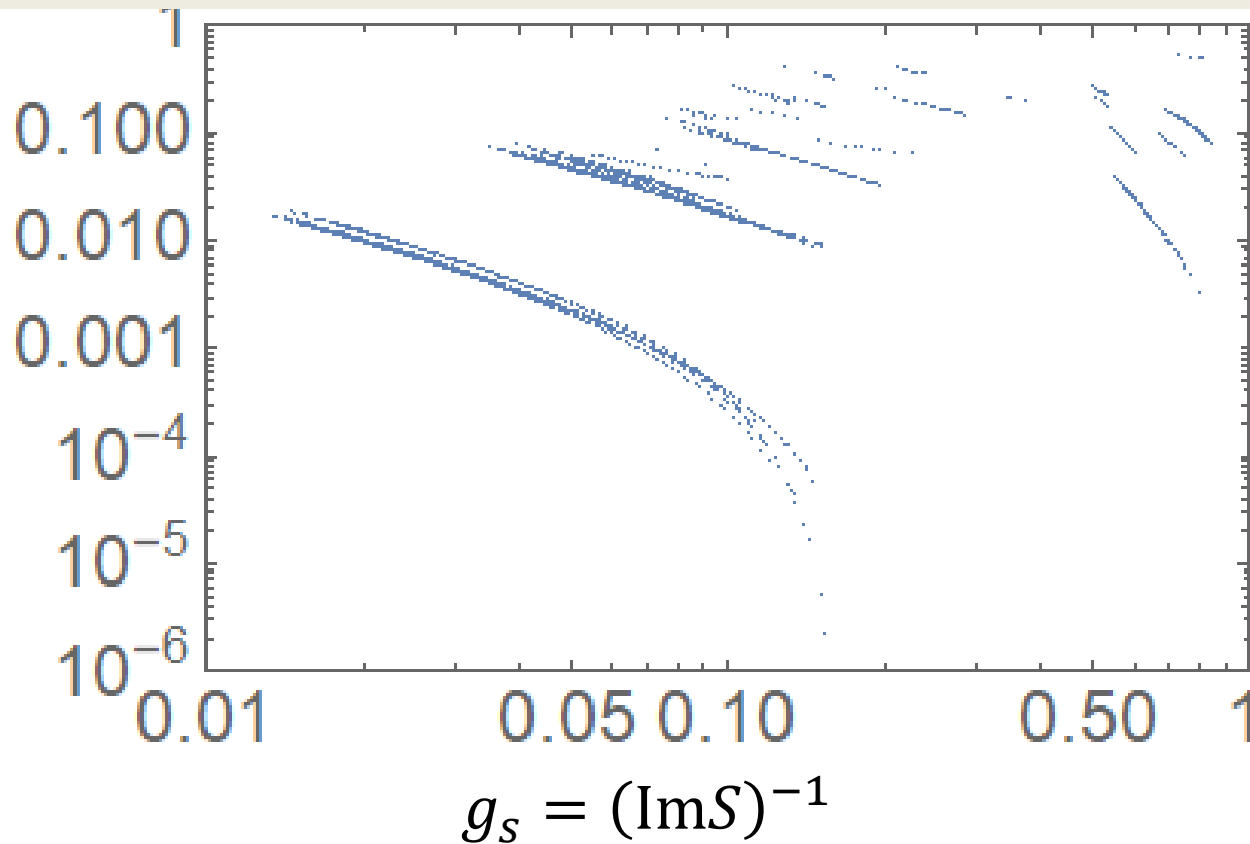


## ● Result: SUSY-breaking fluxes

- Finite  $g_s$  leads to smaller vacuum energy !
- At present, smallest dS potential is given by

$$V \simeq \frac{10^{-8}}{V_{\text{vol}}^2} \times M_{\text{pl}}^4$$

$$C = \frac{V_{\text{vol}}^2 \times V}{M_{\text{pl}}^4}$$





## Comment on the dS solution

- No a priori need for  $\overline{D3}$ -brane
- Tiny dS potential could be a candidate of uplifting potential

$$V \simeq \frac{10^{-8}}{V_{\text{vol}}^2} \times M_{\text{pl}}^4$$

- The richness of the set of possible fluxes  
→ A more tiny dS energy, similar to toroidal orientifold model (type IB)  
[A. Saltman and E. Silverstein'04]
- Full  $G_4$ -fluxes and stringy corrections are necessary to obtain the dS solution (in the M-theory context) [Dasgupta-Gwyn-McDonough-Mia-Tatar'14]
- Our model includes the leading stringy ( $g_s$ )-corrections  
(It is straightforward to include instanton corrections)
- It is interesting to check such dS solutions from the perspective of the E.O.M., using M/F-duality

## Conclusion

- We explicitly demonstrate the moduli stabilization around the LCS point of the elliptically-fibered F-theory fourfold
- $G_4$ -fluxes lead to the stabilization of all the complex structure moduli at the Minkowski minimum or dS minimum
- In the dS case, small but finite string coupling prefers tiny dS potential (No a priori need for  $\overline{D3}$ -brane)
- “Swampland conjecture” in the F-theory context