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Phenomenological Aspects of D-branes at Singularities

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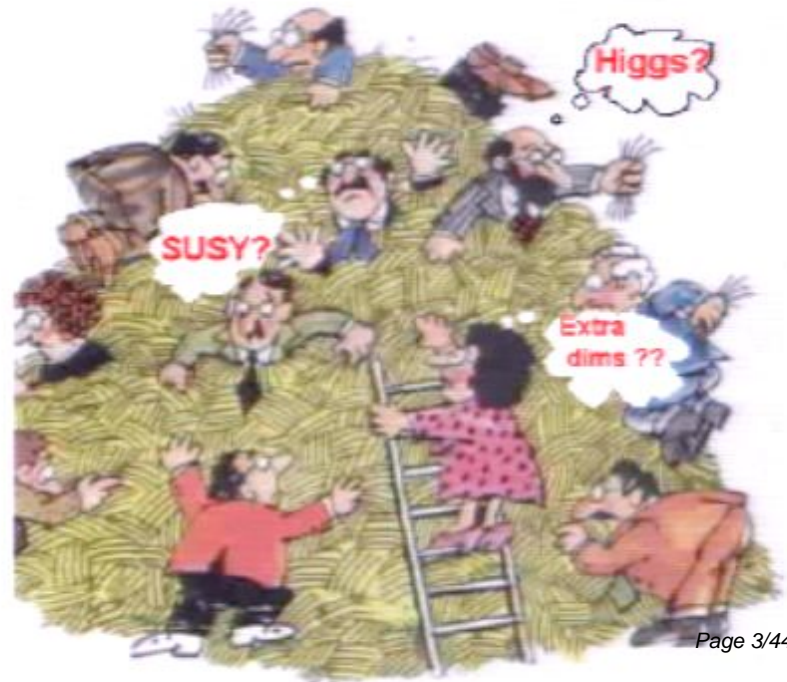
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String Phenomenology

- Too many string models?
(Heterotic, IIA, I, IIB, Landscape,...)
- Or too 'few' models?
(Realistic?)

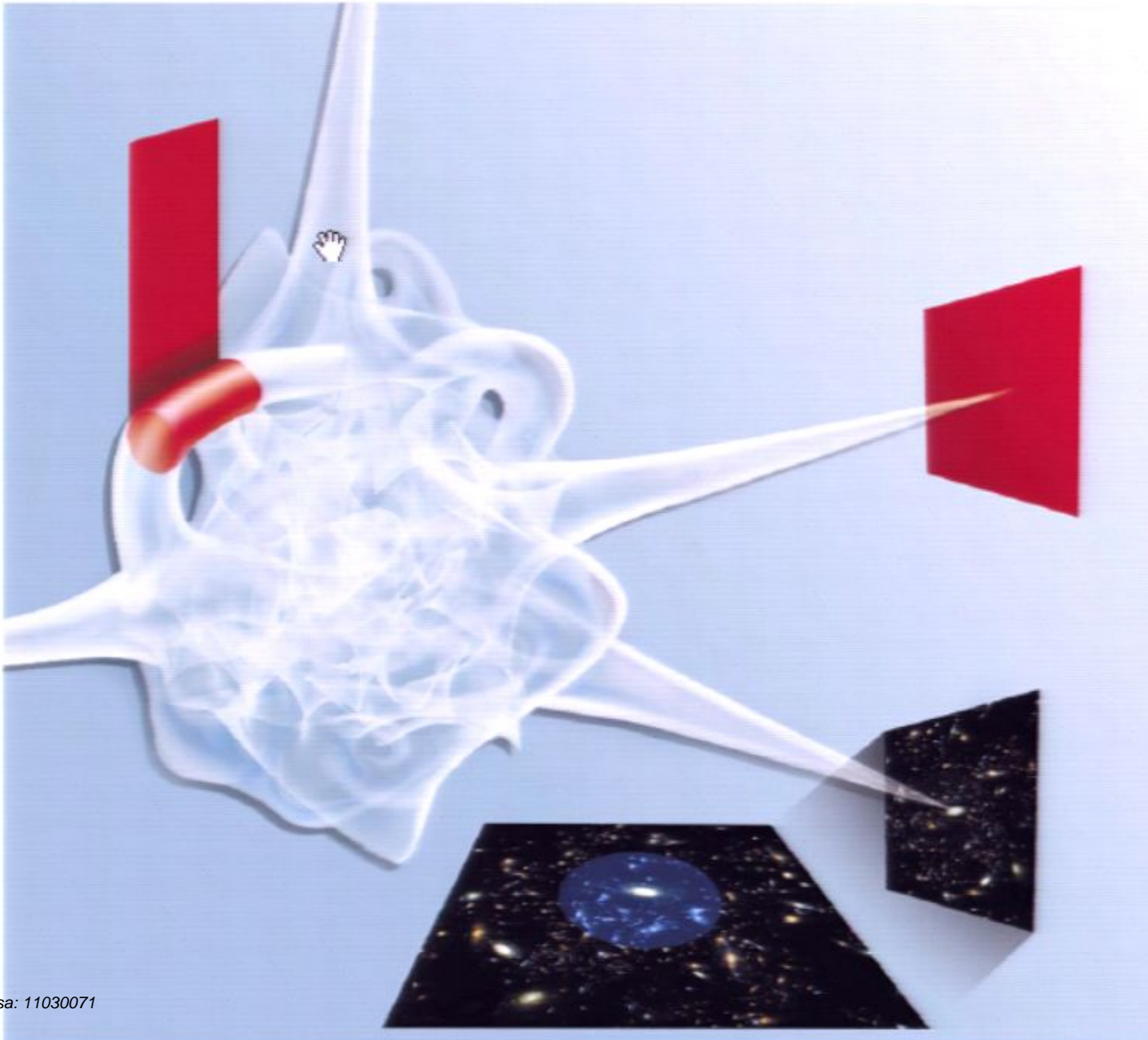


Recall LHC is running: Hierarchy Problem Proposals

- TeV SUSY
- Warped extra dimensions
- Large extra dimensions
- ...

UV complete? How to fix size of extra dimensions?
Unification, Flavour, Proton stability,...

Local String Models



Universe

D3 Brane

or

D7 Brane

Standard Model Localised → (Bottom-up)

- Fractional D3/D7 Brane at a singularity
(collapsed cycle) Aldazabal et al. 2000, ...
- Magnetised D7 - Brane wrapping a 'small' four-cycle
Blumenhagen et al. 2008
- Local F-Theory
Donagi, Wijnholt, Vafa, Heckman, ... 2009

Standard Model at (Fractional) D3/D7 ^{hand}Branes at Singularities

★ Collapsing single 4-cycle:

del Pezzo surfaces dP_n , $n=0,1, \dots,8$ ←

(P^2 blown-up at n arbitrary points

$c_1 > 0$, $b_2 = n+1$, $2n-8$ parameters, $n > 3$)

★ More general singularities, e.g. Y_{pq} , L_{abc}

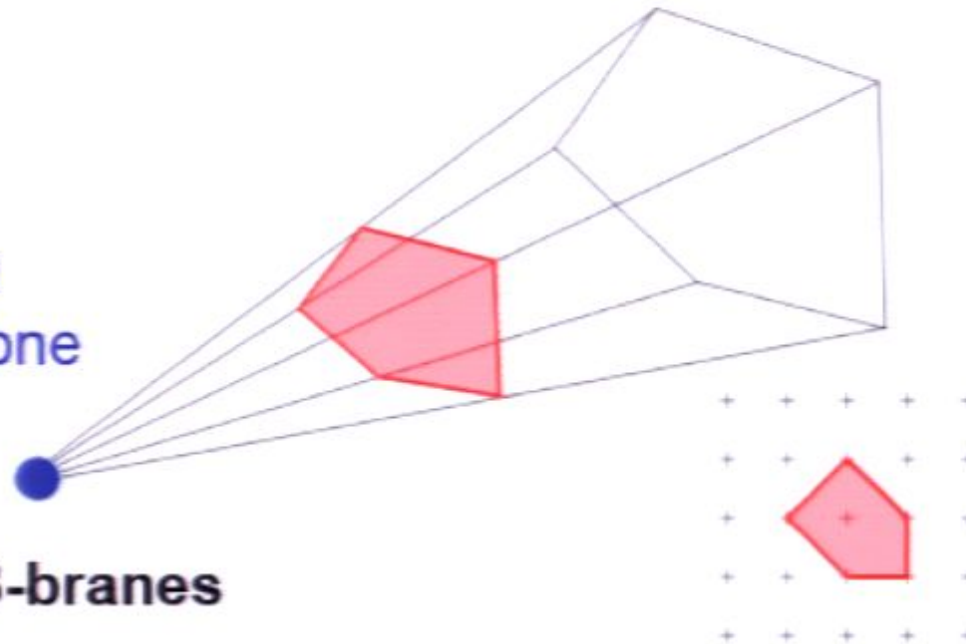
Toric Singularities

$$ds^2 = dr^2 + r^2 g_{ij} dx^i dx^j$$

Einstein-Sasaki

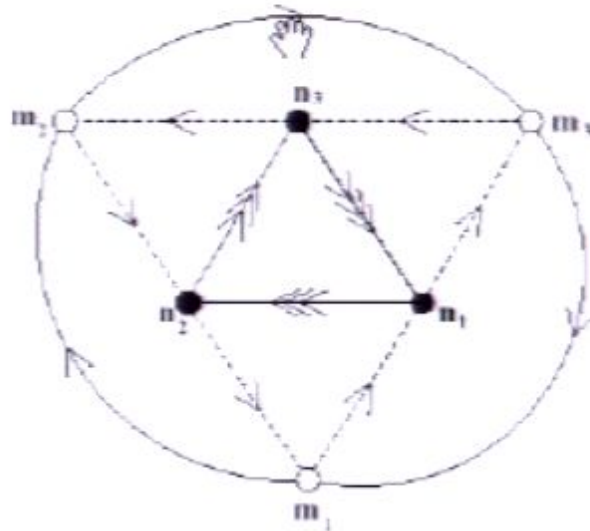
T^3 Fibration
Over rational
polyhedral cone

D3-branes



**Toric
Diagram**

Simple Singularities/Quivers



e.g. del Pezzo 0 (C_3/Z_3)

n_i D3 Branes (group $PU(n_i)$)

m_j D7 Branes (group $PU(m_j)$)

Arrows=bi-fundamentals

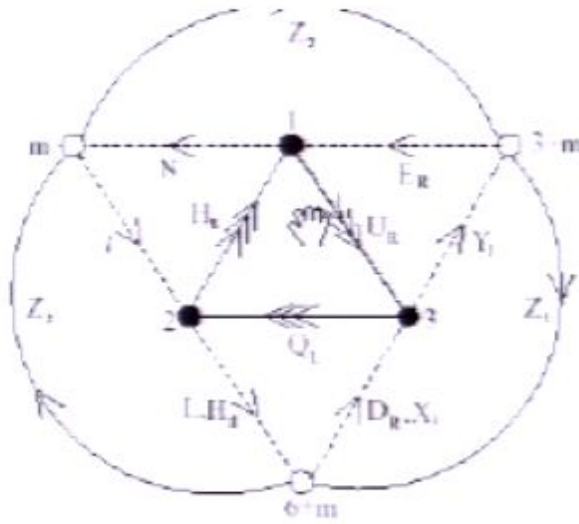
$$3[(n_1, \bar{n}_2, 1) + (1, n_2, \bar{n}_3) + (\bar{n}_1, 1, n_3)] + m_1[(\bar{n}_1, 1, 1) + (1, n_2, 1)] \\ + m_2[(1, \bar{n}_2, 1) + (1, 1, n_3)] + m_3[(1, 1, \bar{n}_3) - (n_1, 1, n_1)] \quad \mathbf{3 \text{ Families!}}$$

$$m_2 = 3(n_3 - n_1) + m_1 \quad m_3 = 3(n_3 - n_2) - m_1 \quad \mathbf{Anomaly/tadpole cancelation}$$

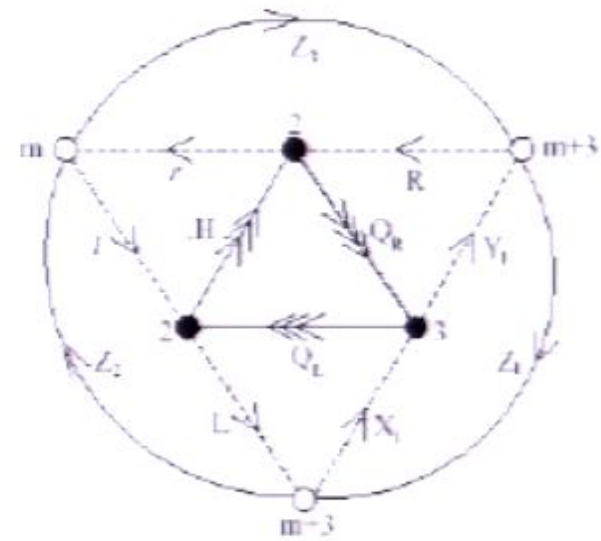
$$Q_{anomaly-free} = - \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{Q_i}{n_i}$$

Hypercharge ($n_i \neq n_j$)

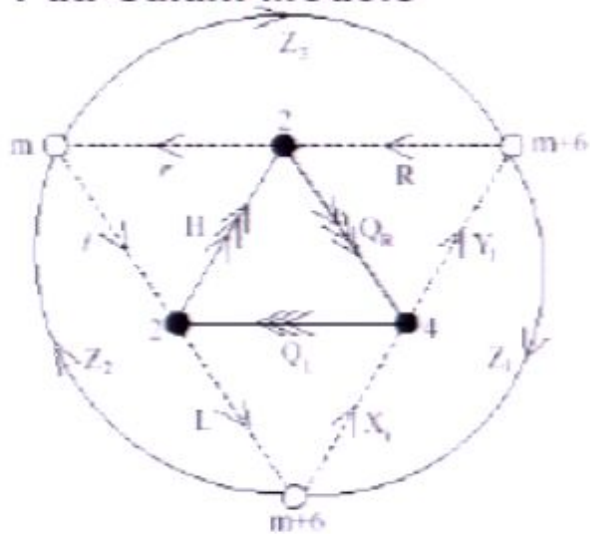
Standard Models



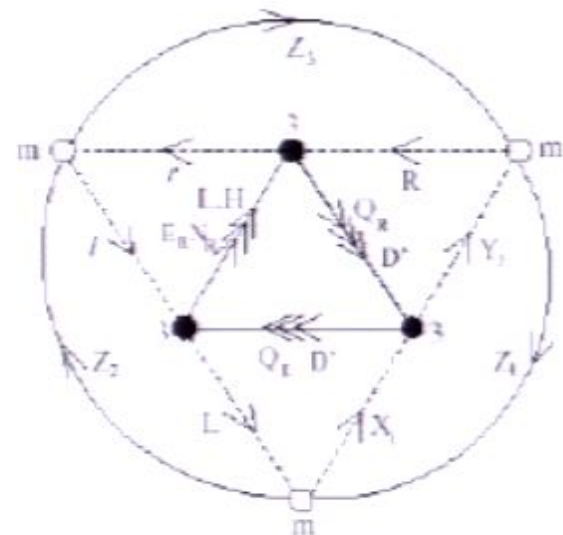
LR-Symmetric Models



Pati-Salam Models



Trinification Models



Problem for dP_0 : Yukawa couplings

$$W = \epsilon_{ijk} \Phi_{33}^i \Phi_{33}^j \Phi_{33}^k + \sum \Phi_{33}^i \Phi_{37_i} \Phi_{7_i3}$$

Conlon, Maharana, FQ 2008

$$Y_{ijk} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 0 & M & 0 \\ -M & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

E-values (M,M,0).

From global flavour symmetry SU(3) (?)

Del Pezzo1 Singularity



$$m_4 = n_4 + n_3 - n_1 - n_2 + m_1 - m_2 + m_3$$

$$m_5 = n_1 - 2n_2 - n_4 + m_2 - m_3$$

$$m_6 = n_4 - 3n_1 - 2n_3 + m_1 - m_2$$

$$W = \epsilon_{ij} X_i Y_j Z_3 - \epsilon_{ij} X_i Y_3 Z_j + \frac{\Phi}{\Lambda} X_3 \epsilon_{ij} Y_i Z_j$$

SU(2)xU(1) Flavour symmetry

Hierarchy in 3 generation masses!!!!

$$M \gg m \quad \frac{\langle \Phi \rangle}{\Lambda} \ll 1$$

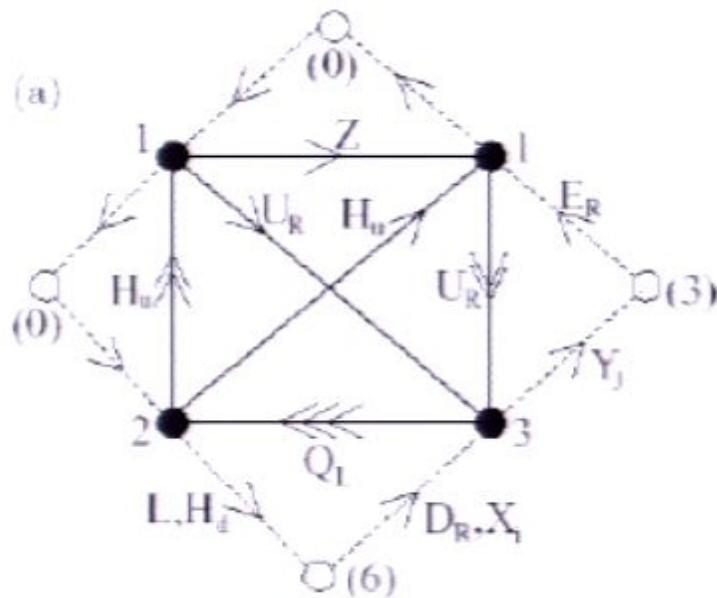
$$\begin{pmatrix} M^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Higgsing gives back dP_0 !!!

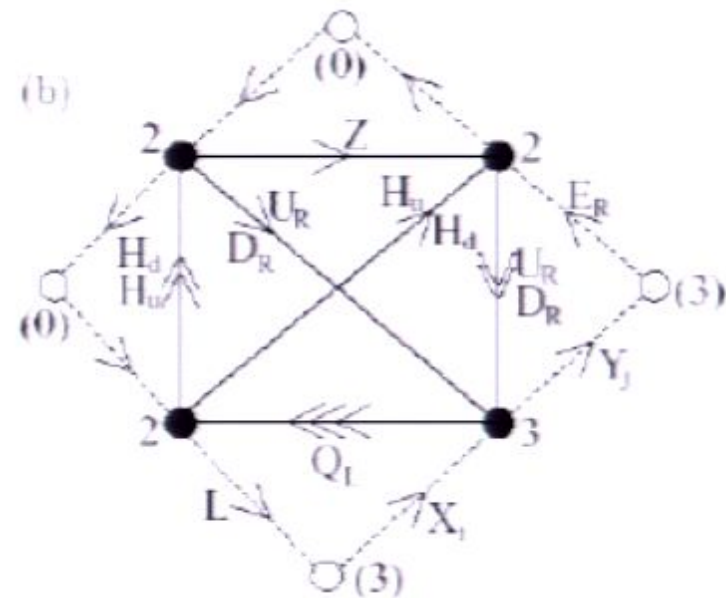
e.g. 'Realistic' dP₁ Models



Standard Model



LR Symmetric Model



General Results Toric

1. Maximum number of families = 3

(except for one case F_0 with 4 families, dual to a 2-family model, also non-toric phases unbounded)

2. Quark Mass hierarchy: $(M, m, 0)$

with $M \gg m$

(structure of Yukawas imply one zero e-value, only dP_0 has $m=M$)

3. Realistic CKM

- General structure CKM=1+ corrections is generic.
- The rest may depend on kinetic terms corrections.
- If subdominant: Depends if quarks are both D3D3 or D3D3/D3D7.
- D3D3+D3D7: dP1 realistic CKM and CP violation

$$V_u = \begin{pmatrix} a \frac{\Phi_{61}}{\Lambda} X_{12} & -b Y_{12} X_{12} & -c Z_{12} \\ a Y_{12} & b \frac{\Phi_{61}}{\Lambda} (X_{12}^2 + Z_{12}^2) & 0 \\ a \frac{\Phi_{61}}{\Lambda} Z_{12} & -b Y_{12} Z_{12} & c X_{12} \end{pmatrix}, \quad V_d = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_2 & s_2 \\ 0 & -s_2 & c_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$V_{\text{CKM}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \epsilon & \epsilon^3 \\ \epsilon & 1 & \epsilon^2 \\ \epsilon^3 & \epsilon^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

- D3D7 dP1: no second-third generation mixing, but works for dP2+...

4. CP violation

Jarlskog invariant $J = 3.05_{-0.20}^{+0.19} \times 10^{-5} \approx \epsilon^{6.5}$.

D3D3 case (similar for D3D3/D3D7)

$$J = \frac{|\Psi_d|^2}{\Lambda^4} \frac{|X_u|^2 \operatorname{Im}(Y_u \bar{Y}_d Z_d \bar{Z}_u \bar{\Phi}_u \Phi_d)}{(m_s^2 - m_d^2)(m_t^2 - m_u^2)(m_t^2 - m_c^2)} \approx \epsilon^6 \sin \delta$$

The Needle on a Haystack

(search with a magnet!)

- Not simple GUT groups (SU(5), SO(10),...)
- Search for PS, LR, SM,...
- Many U(1)'s but if $U(1)_Y = \sum_i U(1)_i$, 'wrong' normalisation for MSSM unification (5/3).
- Then $U(1)_Y$ in G non-abelian (SU(4),...)
- ALL SM in D3's at least $G=PS, SU(3)^3$

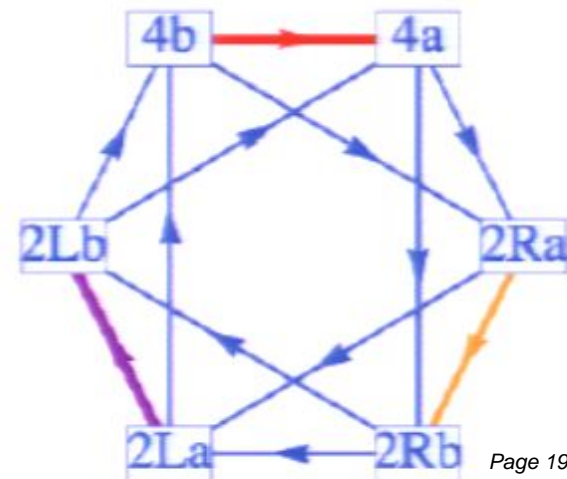
Minimal del Pezzo?

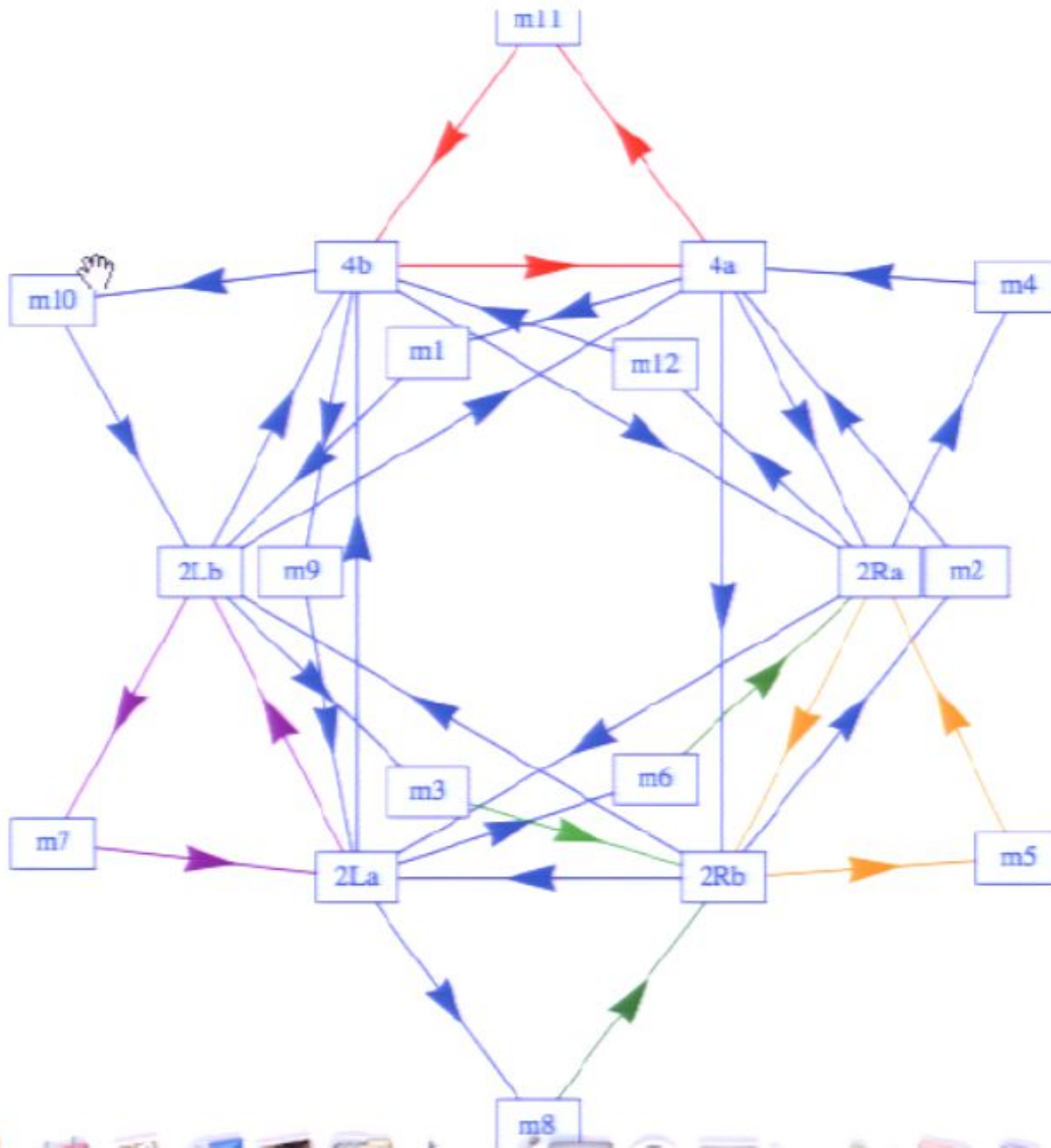


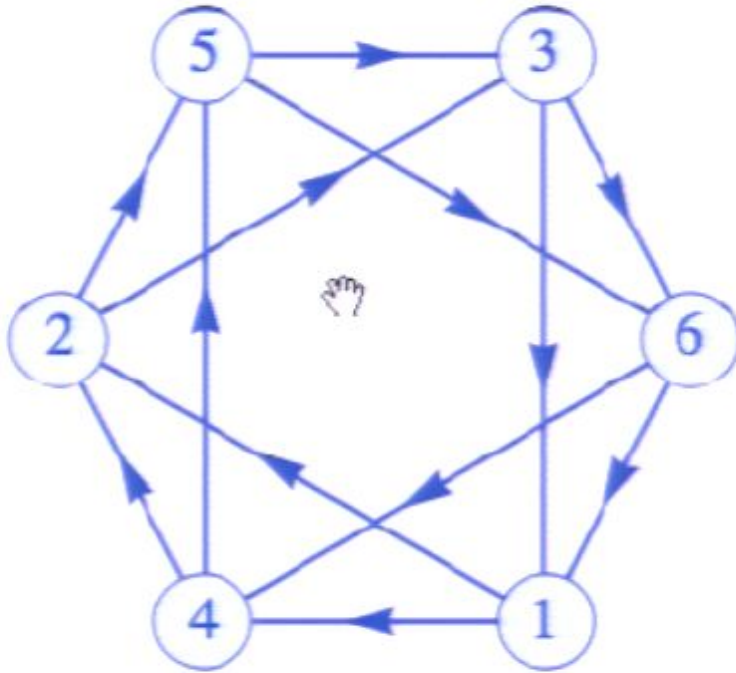
- **dP0** no hierarchy of masses (unless non-commutative), no CKM
- **dP1, dP2** CKM but no control of kinetic terms (FCNC?).
- **dP3** flavour diagonal kinetic terms and realistic CKM, PMNS matrices.

Realistic Pati-Salam Model (dP3)

- Break symmetry to SM + U(1) or LR
- Breaking to SM: RH neutrino (R-parity broken)
- Quark+ lepton mass hierarchies
- See-saw neutrino masses
- Stable proton
- CKM, CP
- Controlled kinetic terms!!
- Gauge Unification







$$\langle \rho_{53} \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & v_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & v_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & v_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\langle \Phi_{61} \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \phi & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{\phi} \end{pmatrix} \quad \langle \Psi_{42} \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \psi & 0 \\ 0 & \psi \end{pmatrix}$$

total #	Fields	$SU(3)$	$SU(2)$	$U(1)_Y$	$U(1)_x$
3	$X_{45}^L, Y_{25}^L, Z_{23}^L$	$\mathbf{3}$	$\bar{\mathbf{2}}$	a	a
3	$X_{36}^u, Y_{31}^u, Z_{56}^u$	$\bar{\mathbf{3}}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$-a + k$	$-a - k$
3	$X_{36}^d, Y_{31}^d, Z_{56}^d$	$\bar{\mathbf{3}}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$-a - k$	$-a + k$
3	$L_{45}^1, L_{25}^2, L_{23}^3$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\bar{\mathbf{2}}$	$-3a$	$-3a$
3	$\nu_{36}^1, \nu_{31}^2, \nu_{56}^3$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$3a + k$	$3a - k$
3	$e_{36}^1, e_{31}^2, e_{56}^3$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$3a - k$	$3a + k$
3	$X_{12}^u, Y_{64}^u, Z_{14}^u$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{2}$	$-k$	k
3	$X_{12}^d, Y_{64}^d, Z_{14}^d$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{2}$	k	$-k$

$$\begin{aligned}
W &= \begin{pmatrix} X_{45}^L \\ Y_{25}^L \\ Z_{23}^L \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & Z_{14}^u \frac{v_1}{\Lambda} & -Y_{64}^u \\ -Z_{14}^u \frac{v_1 \phi \psi}{\Lambda^3} & 0 & X_{12}^u \frac{\phi}{\Lambda} \\ Y_{64}^u \frac{\psi}{\Lambda} & -X_{12}^u & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_{36}^u \\ Y_{31}^u \\ Z_{56}^u \end{pmatrix} \\
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&+ A(\rho, \phi) e^{-aT_i} \nu_1 \nu_1 + \frac{\Phi_{61}^2}{\Lambda} A(\rho, \phi) e^{-aT_i} \nu_2 \nu_2 + \frac{\rho_{53}^2}{\Lambda} A(\rho, \phi) e^{-aT_i} \nu_3 \nu_3
\end{aligned}$$

$$Ae^{-aT_i} H.H$$

•CKM Matrix

$$\frac{X_{12}^u}{Y_{64}^u} \sim \epsilon, \quad \frac{Z_{14}^u v_1}{Y_{64}^u \Lambda} \sim \epsilon, \quad \frac{\Phi_{61}^u}{\Lambda} \sim \epsilon^2, \quad \frac{\Phi_{61}^d v_1 Z_{14}^d}{\Lambda^2 Y_{64}^d} \sim \epsilon$$

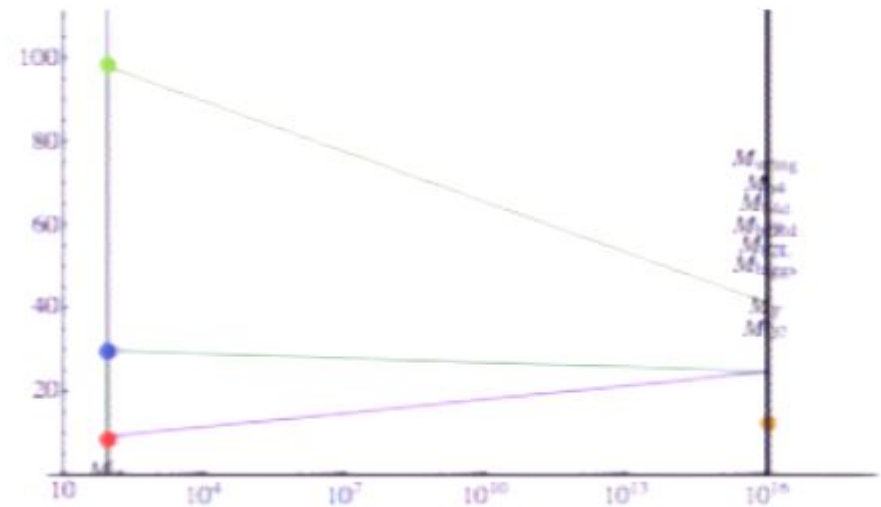
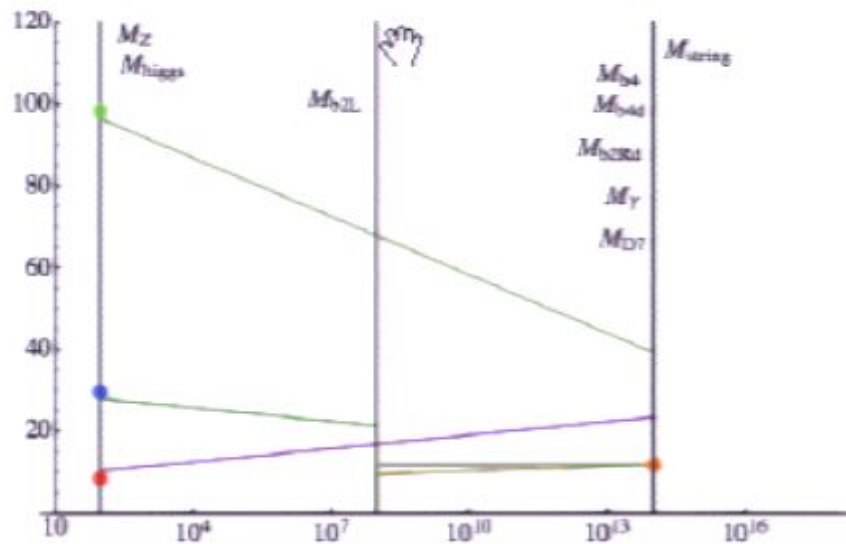
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•PMNS Matrix

$$\frac{Z_{14}^d \rho_{53} \Phi_{61}^d}{\Lambda^2 Y_{64}^d}, \quad \frac{v_1}{v_2} \sim \epsilon^2$$

•14 Parameters vs 21 Observables

Gauge Coupling Unification

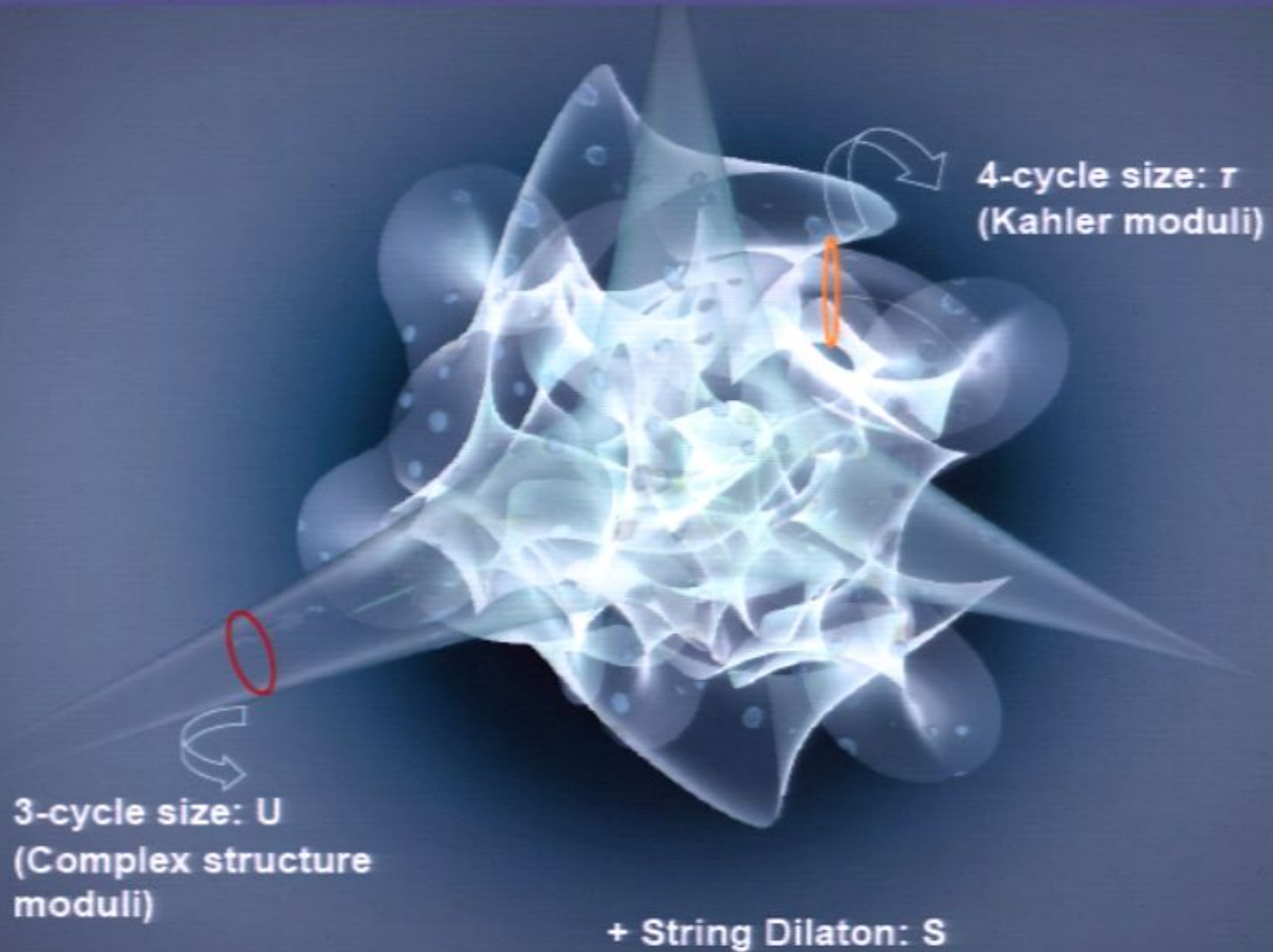


String scale value of all couplings given by dilaton so unification.

Standard GUT scale unification or 'intermediate' scale

Need moduli stabilisation to fix scales...

MODULI STABILISATION



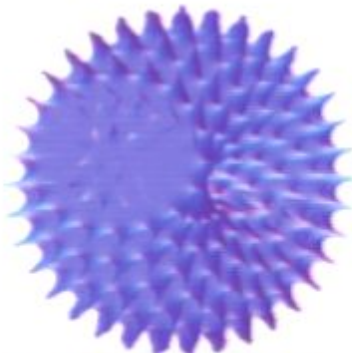
LARGE Volume Scenario

Exponentially Large Volumes

BBCQ, CQS (2005)

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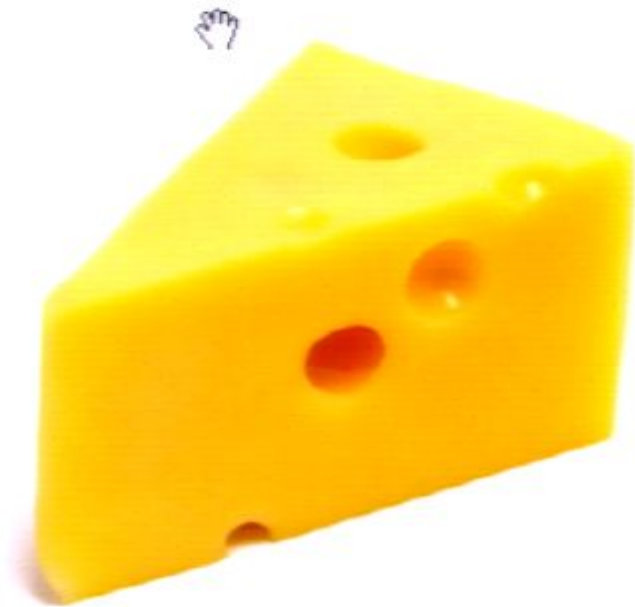
Nonperturbative corrections to W

$$V = \sum_{\Phi=S,U} \frac{\hat{K}^{\Phi\Phi} D_{\Phi} W \bar{D}_{\bar{\Phi}} \bar{W}}{\mathcal{V}^2} + \frac{\lambda(a_s A_s)^2 \sqrt{\tau_s} e^{-2a_s \tau_s}}{\mathcal{V}} - \frac{\mu W_0 a_s A_s \tau_s e^{-a_s \tau_s}}{\mathcal{V}^2} + \frac{\nu \xi |W_0|^2}{g_s^{3/2} \mathcal{V}^3}$$



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e.g. Swiss Cheese Calabi-Yau's



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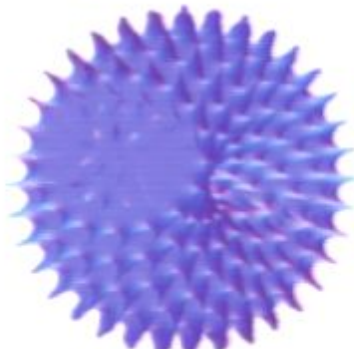
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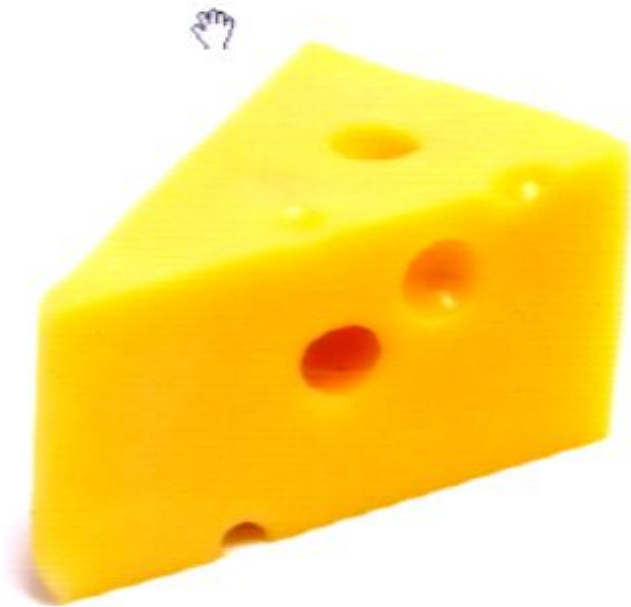
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LARGE Volume Implies

Standard Model on brane wrapping
small cycle or at singularity

(SM D7 cannot wrap the exponentially large cycle
since $g^2=1/V^{2/3}$)

→ Local String Models! ('Bottom-up')
Also: generically hyperweak new interactions.

Relevant Scales

- String scale $M_s = M_p / V^{1/2}$

- Kaluza-Klein scale $M_{KK} = M_p / V^{2/3}$

- Gravitino mass $m_{3/2} = W_0 M_p / V$

- Volume modulus mass $M_V = M_p / V^{3/2}$

- Lighter (fibre) moduli $M_I = M_p / V^{5/3}$

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Aside: Anisotropic Moduli Fixing

- **K3 Fibrations:** $\mathcal{V} = \lambda_1 t_1 t_2^2 + \lambda_2 t_3^3,$
 $\tau_i = \partial \mathcal{V} / \partial t_i,$

Poly-Instantons

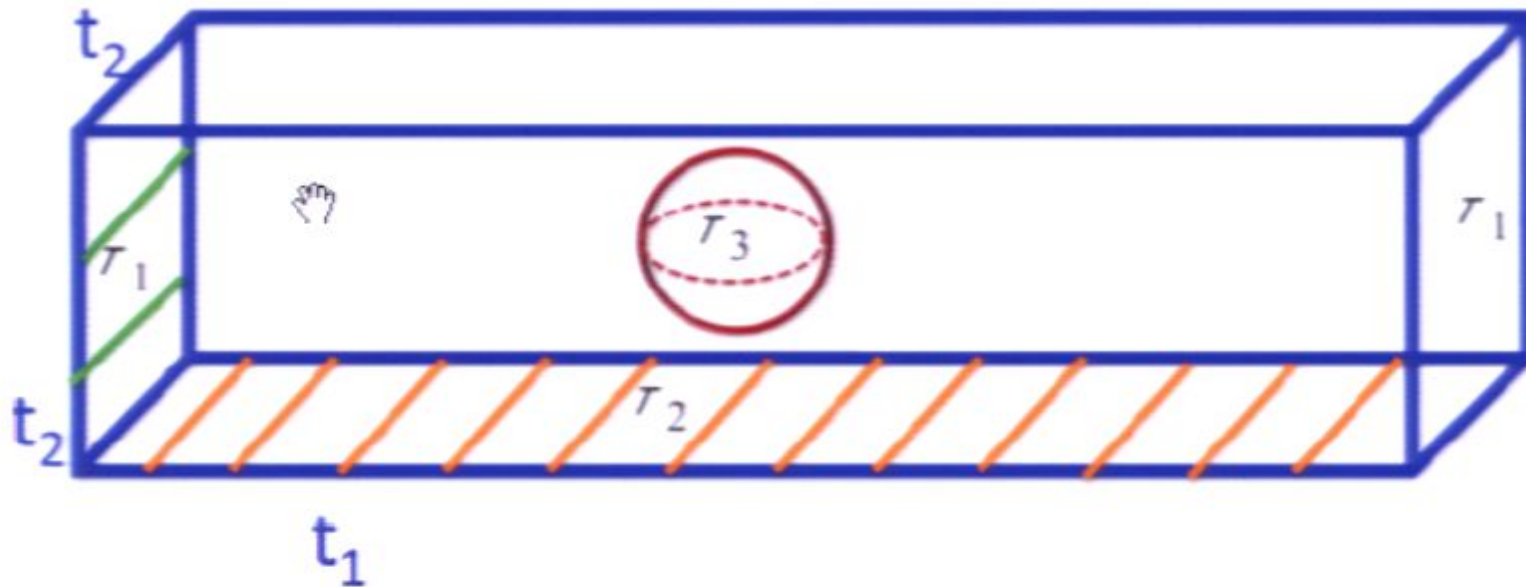
Blumenhagen et al.

$h_{2,0}(\Sigma_j) = 1$ and $h_{1,0}(\Sigma_j) = 0,$ **K3 ! size t_2^2**

$$W = W_0 + A_i e^{-2\pi(T_i + C_j e^{-2\pi T_j})}, \quad i=3, j=1$$

Moderate Hierarchy: $\langle t_1 \rangle \gg \sqrt{\langle \tau_1 \rangle} \gg \sqrt{\langle \tau_3 \rangle}$ and so $L \gtrsim l \gg d$,

Large Hierarchy: $\langle t_1 \rangle \gg \sqrt{\langle \tau_1 \rangle} \simeq \sqrt{\langle \tau_3 \rangle}$ and so $L \gg l \gtrsim d$.



$$d \simeq \langle \tau_3 \rangle^{1/4} \sim l \simeq \langle \tau_1 \rangle^{1/4} \sim 10^{-17} \text{ mm} \ll L \simeq \langle t_1 \rangle^{1/2} = \sqrt{\langle \mathcal{V} \rangle / \langle \tau_1 \rangle} \sim 0.01 \text{ mm}.$$


$$\mathcal{V} \simeq 5.2 \times 10^{28} \Rightarrow M_s \simeq \frac{M_p}{\sqrt{4\pi\mathcal{V}}} \simeq 3 \text{ TeV.} \quad (\text{For } W_0=10, g_s=0.01, \text{ etc.})$$

Living on the edge!!



SUSY BREAKING

Several Scenarios

-  F-term of volume modulus \sim approximate no-scale ($M_{\text{soft}} (\sim F_T/M_{\text{p}})$) \sim vanish!

1. SM cycle breaks SUSY:

$$M_{\text{soft}} \sim 1\text{TeV} \quad (\sim F_T/M_{\text{string}} \sim M_{\text{p}}/V \sim M_{3/2})$$
$$\text{Volume} \sim 10^{15} \text{ and } M_{\text{string}} \sim 10^{12} \text{ GeV.}$$

2. SM cycle does not break SUSY

$$M_{1/2} \sim F_s/M_{\text{p}} \sim M_{\text{p}}/V^2 \ll M_{3/2}$$

$$\text{Extreme case: } V \sim 10^7, M_{\text{string}} \sim 10^{15} \text{ GeV}$$

Scenario 2.

- Uplifting to de Sitter important De Alwis 2006
- Gravitino very heavy $M_{3/2} > 10^8 \text{ GeV} !!$
- Generically no CMP! ($M_{\text{volume}} > M_{\text{soft}}$)
- Minimal volume $V \sim 10^{6-7}$.
- ★ TeV soft terms and $M_{\text{string}} \sim 10^{15} \text{ GeV}$
- ★ Unification scale $M_X \sim M_{\text{string}} V^{1/6} \sim 10^{16} \text{ GeV} !$
- ★ Right scale for inflation! Conlon+Palti
- ★ No CMP !!!

But: Calculations less under control + FCNC? De Alwis 2010

Implications

- **Intermediate scale scenario**

$$M_V \simeq M_p / \mathcal{V}^{3/2} \sim 1 \text{ MeV (CMP!?)}$$

- **GUT scale scenarios**

$$M_V \simeq M_p / \mathcal{V}^{3/2} \sim 1\text{-}10 \text{ TeV}$$

- **TeV Scenario**

SUSY broken on the brane:

$$M_V \sim M_p / \mathcal{V} \sim 10^{-3} \text{ eV} \gg M_p / \mathcal{V}^{3/2}$$

**But potential destabilisation of LV minimum
(back reaction?)**

Perturbative quark masses

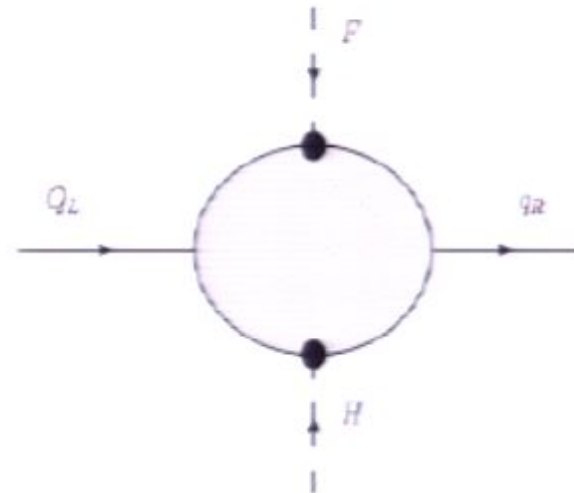
- Ibanez 1982

$$\Delta m \sim \langle H \rangle F / M^2 \sim$$

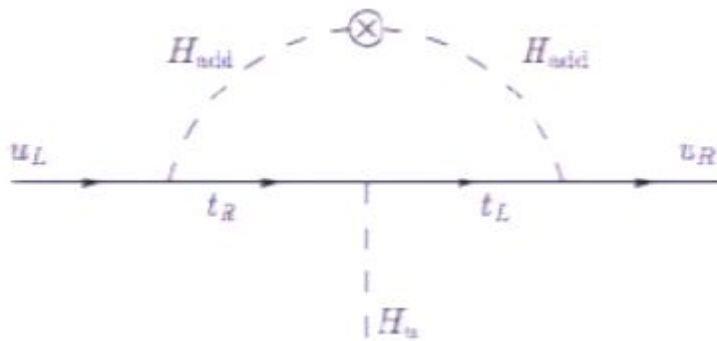
$$M_W M_{3/2}^2 / M_p^2 \sim 10^{-30} M_W ?$$

$$\text{Scenario 1: } \Delta m \sim M_W M_{3/2}^2 / M_s^2 \sim .1 \text{ MeV !}$$

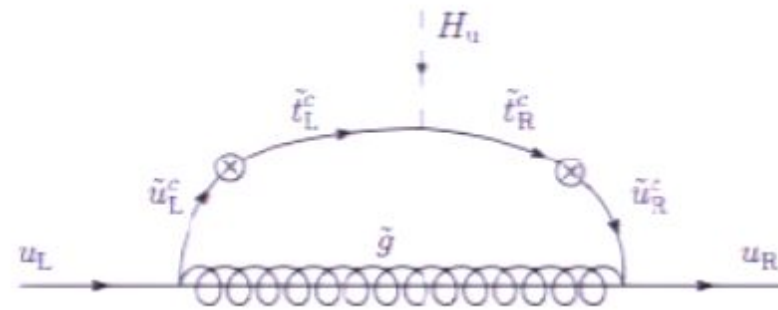
$$\text{Scenario 2: } \Delta m \sim M_W M_{3/2}^2 / M_p^2 \sim .1 \text{ MeV !}$$



Explicit diagrams



$$m_{\text{up}} \sim m_t \frac{F_{\text{SUSY}}}{m_{H_{\text{add}}}^2}$$



$$m_{\text{up}} \sim m_{\tilde{t}} \epsilon^2$$

$$\epsilon < 10^{-3} \frac{M_{\text{SUSY}}}{500 \text{ GeV}}$$

Other sources: non-commutative B background,...

CONCLUSIONS

- Continuous progress on Local model building and Large volume scenario
- Several SUSY breaking scenarios
($m \sim m_{3/2}$, $m_{3/2}^{3/2}/M_p^{1/2}$, $m_{3/2}^2/M_p$), ($M_s \sim 10^3 - 10^{16}$ GeV)
(see Conlon et al, Choi et al also)
- Local model building (3-families, mass hierarchies
(M,m,0) (0-evalue lift), CKM, dP3: flavour, unification,...)
- Many open questions
(More explicit SUSY breaking. Flat directions,
A fully realistic compact model? ...)