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Abstract: In this talk, I'll give a brief summary of how one-loop bulk effects renormalize both bulk and brane effective interactions for geometries sourced by codimension-two branes. I'll then discuss what these results imply for a six-dimensional supergravity model which aims to capture the features that make extra-dimensional physics attractive for understanding naturalness issues in particle physics. I'll also emphasize the role that brane back-reaction plays in yielding unexpected results, and present a one-loop contribution to the 4D vacuum energy whose size is set by the KK scale.

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- ▶ Identify the relevant bulk, brane counterterms needed to regularize divergences.
- ▶ Test whether the renormalized, back-reacted 4D vacuum energy remains small (as advertised).

Take-home Message

1. We can do loop calculations with co-dimension 2 branes
2. We are using these techniques to test the naturalness of a particular co-dimension 2 model
3. Brane back-reaction is crucial to understanding extra-dimensional supersymmetry

6D Chiral, Gauged Supergravity

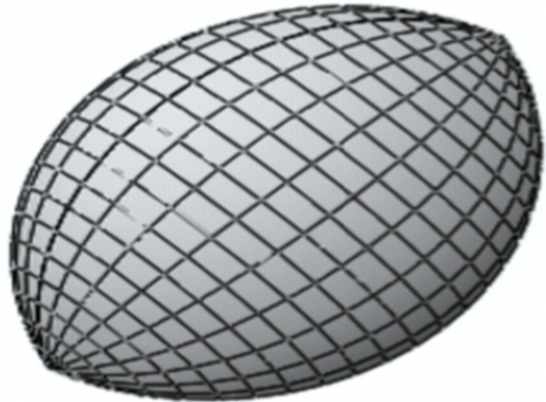
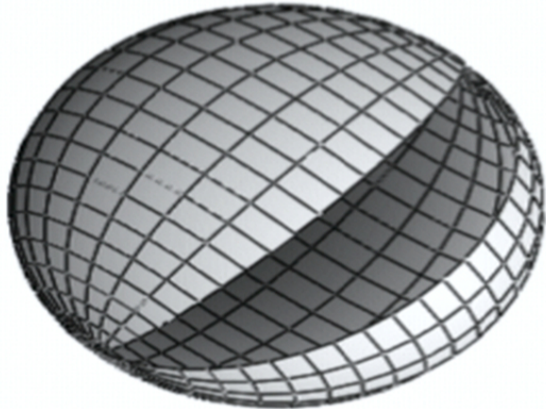
Gravity Sector:

- ▶ graviton (g_{MN}), gravitino (ψ_M), antisymmetric Kalb-Ramond field (G_{MNP}), dilatino (χ) and dilaton (ϕ).

Matter Sector:

- ▶ Gauge multiplet: gauge potential (A_M^a) and gaugino (λ^a);
 - ▶ Includes $U(1)_R \rightarrow$ stabilizing flux
- ▶ Hypermultiplet: four complex scalars (Φ^I) and hyperino (Ψ^I);

Rugby-Ball Background



$$S_b = - \int d^4x \sqrt{-g_4} L_b, \quad b = \pm 1.$$

Background Metric:

$$ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + r^2 (d\theta^2 + \alpha^2 \sin^2 \theta d\varphi^2)$$

where

$$\alpha = 1 - \frac{\kappa^2 L_+}{2\pi} = 1 - \frac{\kappa^2 L_-}{2\pi}.$$

Deficit angle: $\delta = 2\pi(1 - \alpha)$.

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Take-home Message

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2. We are using these techniques to test the naturalness of a particular co-dimension 2 model
3. Brane back-reaction is crucial to understanding extra-dimensional supersymmetry

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