

Standard-like Heterotic Vacua via Unitary Gauge Fluxes

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Briefing on string model building

How physical is String Theory?

How stringy is Physics?

Among the plethora of (semi-)stable string vacua,

how dense do the MSSM-like vacua lie?

Do they exhibit generic features beyond the Standard Model?

One step back: Can we give examples of string vacua in agreement with experiments up to 1 TeV?

Minimal wishlist includes:

- right gauge sector
- dynamical SUSY breaking
- all moduli stabilized
- cosmological constant fine

Need to be unprejudiced and explore all regions of the landscape we can!



“Look, I have my misgivings, too, but what choice do we have except to stay the course?”

Plan

- Intro: String Model building briefing
- Group theoretic embeddings of $U(N)$ bundles into $E_8 \times E_8$:
 - ↪ flipped $SU(5)$
 - ↪ MSSM gauge group
- Physical implications:
 - ↪ Anomalies
 - ↪ Massless $U(1)$ s
 - ↪ SUSY and λ -stability
- Model building and phenomenology
- Conclusions

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Standard approaches to engineering of gauge sector:

M-theory corners:

Open Strings \leftrightarrow Heterotic Strings

(or duals thereof: M-theory at singularities, F-Theory, ...)

Methods:

Exactly solvable CFTs \leftrightarrow Geometric/Effective Field Theory
limit

(depending on details of background manifold)

In this talk focus on geometric methods, mainly heterotic

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Open Strings

- Type II A orientifolds: **Intersecting Braneworlds (IBW)**
- Type I: **magnetized D9/D5-branes**
- Type II B orientifolds: **D7/D3-branes, branes at singularities** [Blumenhagen, Bianchi, Cremades, Cvetič, Douglas, Font, Honecker, Ibanez, Kiritsis, Koers, Kokorelis, Kumar, Lüst, Maillard, Marchesano, Rabadan, Sagnotti, Shiu, Stieberger, Taylor, Uranga, Verlinde, Wijnholt]

Main ingredients of **IBW in IIA orientifolds**:

- stacks of N_a coincident D6-branes
→ **$U(N_a)$ gauge field** on worldvolume
- intersection of stacks of N_a and N_b branes
→ **chiral fermion in (N_a, \overline{N}_b)**

Idea: **Combine various $U(N_a)$ gauge modules**

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Problem: SUSY constraint:

A-cycles must be **special Lagrangian** = **real constraint**

↪ beyond the power of complex geometry!

Ways out:

- Very special CY_3 ↪ **toroidal orientifolds**
 $CY_3 = T^6 / \mathbb{Z}_N \times \mathbb{Z}_M$
particular class of **factorizable branes** wrap one-cycle on each T^2
- RCFT methods: **Gepner model orientifolds**
abstract CFT describes string propagation at special small radius point in moduli space of certain CY_3 branes → **boundary states**
plethora of appealing solutions

[Dijkstra, Huiszoon, Schellekens'04], [Anastasopoulos, Dijkstra, Kiritsis, Schellekens'06]

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Question: Extension to more general background manifolds possible?

(Homological) Mirror symmetry (slightly simplified):

real objects \leftrightarrow complex objects

SUSY condition more approachable in mirror dual Type I theory?

stack of N_a D6-branes \rightarrow N_a D9-branes

non-trivial intersection \rightarrow gauge flux (**holomorphic bundles!**)

Toroidal example:

Dual of factorizable cycles Π_a : VEV to diagonal

$$U(1)_a \subset U(N_a)$$

extendable to more general CY_3 and non-abelian subgroups

$$U(n_a) \subset U(N_a)$$

In fact: Standard procedure in the S-dual Heterotic picture!

Classic Heterotic Compactifications

Appealing GUT groups as natural subgroups of E_8 [Witten '85]

Ansatz: $\mathcal{M}^{(10)} = \mathbb{R}^{(1,3)} \times \mathcal{M}$

VEV to internal gauge field in subgroup $G \subset E_8 \rightarrow$

gauge group in 4D = commutant $H \subset E_8$

\rightsquigarrow concept of background gauge bundle V over \mathcal{M}

usually: structure group G of V semi-simple:

$$SU(3) \subset E_8 \rightarrow E_6 \quad SU(4) \subset E_8 \rightarrow Spin(10)$$

$$SU(5) \subset E_8 \rightarrow SU(5) \quad SU(6) \subset E_8 \rightarrow SU(3) \times SU(2)$$

chiral matter from induced decomposition of 10D gaugino

$$248 \rightarrow \bigoplus_i (R_i, r_i)$$

r_i associated with bundle $U_i \rightarrow R_i$ counted by $H^*(\mathcal{M}, U_i)$

Classic Heterotic Compactifications

Ex.: $SU(5) \subset E_8 \rightarrow SU(5)$

$$248 \rightarrow (24, 1) \oplus (1, 24) \oplus (5, 10) \oplus c.c \oplus (10, \bar{5}) \oplus c.c$$

$$24 \leftrightarrow H^*(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{O})$$

$$10 \leftrightarrow H^*(\mathcal{M}, V)$$

$$\bar{5} \leftrightarrow H^*(\mathcal{M}, \Lambda^2 V)$$

$$1 \leftrightarrow H^*(\mathcal{M}, \text{adj} V)$$

GUT breaking?

No GUT Higgs in **24** since $H^*(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{O}) = (1, 0, 0, 1)$ (for CY_3)

→ Need **non-trivial Wilson lines for GUT breaking**

→ approach **restricted to \mathcal{M} with $\pi_1(\mathcal{M}) \neq 0$**

[Donagi, Ovrut, Pantev, Waldram '00]

[Braun, Ovrut, Pantev, Reinbacher '04]

[Braun, He, Ovrut, Pantev '05]

[Cvetic, Donagi, Bouchard '06]

Classic Heterotic Compactifications

Gauge sector hinges on very specific properties of \mathcal{M}

What if internal manifold even harder to describe than Calabi-Yau manifolds (non-Kähler, fluxes)?

Why restrict ourselves to gauge bundles with semi-simple structure group?

Can we replace Wilson line GUT breaking by suitable embedding of line bundles or more general unitary gauge bundles?

↪ "decoupling" of gauge sector from topology of \mathcal{M}

↪ restore symmetry between dual heterotic / Type I setup

↪ new model building possibilities

Unitary embeddings

- Embedding of single $U(N)$ bundles not possible due to $SU(N) \subset E_8$, but

- $SU(N) \times U(1) \subset SU(N+1) \subset E_8 \rightarrow H_{N+1} \times U(1)$

$\rightarrow W = V_N \oplus L^{-1}, \quad c_1(V_N) = c_1(L) \quad V_N : U(N) - \text{bundle},$
 $L : \text{line bundle}$

spectrum:

$248 \rightarrow \bigoplus_i (R_i, r_i)_{q_i}, \quad r_i, q_i \text{ from elementary decomp.}$

$$\mathbf{Adj}(\mathbf{N} + \mathbf{1}) \rightarrow \mathbf{Adj}(\mathbf{N})_0 + (1)_0 + (\mathbf{N})_{N+1} + (\overline{\mathbf{N}})_{-(N+1)},$$

$$(\mathbf{N} + \mathbf{1}) \rightarrow (\mathbf{N})_1 + 1_{-N},$$

$$\Lambda^2(\mathbf{N} + \mathbf{1}) \rightarrow \Lambda^2(\mathbf{N})_2 + (\mathbf{N})_{-(N-1)},$$

$$\Lambda^3(\mathbf{N} + \mathbf{1}) \rightarrow \Lambda^3(\mathbf{N})_3 + \Lambda^2(\mathbf{N})_{-(N-2)}$$

Example: Flipped $SU(5) \times U(1)_X$

$$SU(5) \subset E_8 \rightarrow SU(5)$$

$$248 \longrightarrow (\mathbf{24}, \mathbf{1}) + (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{24}) + (\mathbf{5}, \mathbf{10}) + (\bar{\mathbf{5}}, \bar{\mathbf{10}}) + (\mathbf{10}, \bar{\mathbf{5}}) + (\bar{\mathbf{10}}, \mathbf{5})$$

$$SU(4) \times U(1) \subset SU(5)$$

$$24 \longrightarrow \mathbf{15}_0 + \mathbf{1}_0 + \mathbf{4}_5 + \bar{\mathbf{4}}_{-5}, \quad \mathbf{10} \longrightarrow \mathbf{6}_2 + \mathbf{4}_{-3}$$

$$\mathbf{5} \longrightarrow \mathbf{4}_1 + \mathbf{1}_{-4},$$

$$248 \xrightarrow{SU(4) \times SU(5) \times U(1)_X} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\mathbf{15}, \mathbf{1})_0 \\ (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_0 + (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{10})_{-4} + (\mathbf{1}, \bar{\mathbf{10}})_4 + (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{24})_0 \\ (\mathbf{4}, \mathbf{1})_5 + (\mathbf{4}, \bar{\mathbf{5}})_{-3} + (\mathbf{4}, \mathbf{10})_1 \\ (\bar{\mathbf{4}}, \mathbf{1})_{-5} + (\bar{\mathbf{4}}, \mathbf{5})_3 + (\bar{\mathbf{4}}, \bar{\mathbf{10}})_{-1} \\ (\mathbf{6}, \mathbf{5})_{-2} + (\mathbf{6}, \bar{\mathbf{5}})_2 \end{array} \right.$$

Flipped $SU(5) \times U(1)_X$

associate $U(1)_X$ -charge to V, L : $Q_X(V) = 1, Q_X(L^{-1}) = -4$

$SU(5) \times U(1)_X$	cohomology	SM part.
$\mathbf{10}_1$	$H^*(V)$	$(q_L, d_R^c, \nu_R^c) + [H_{10} + \overline{H}_{10}]$
$\mathbf{10}_{-4}$	$H^*(L^{-1})$	—
$\overline{\mathbf{5}}_{-3}$	$H^*(V \otimes L^{-1})$	(u_R^c, l_L)
$\overline{\mathbf{5}}_2$	$H^*(\wedge^2 V)$	$[(h_3, h_2) + (\overline{h}_3, \overline{h}_2)]$
$\mathbf{1}_5$	$H^*(V \otimes L)$	e_R^c

GUT Higgs as $(\mathbf{10}) + (\overline{\mathbf{10}}) \rightarrow$ possible on arbitrary CY

Note the flip $d_R^c \leftrightarrow u_R^c, \quad e_R^c \leftrightarrow \nu_R^c$

Example II: $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)_Y$

$$SU(5) \times U(1) \subset SU(6) \subset E_8 \longrightarrow SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$$

$$\rightarrow W = V_5 \oplus L^{-1}$$

$SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)_Y$	cohom.	SM part.
$(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2})_{\frac{1}{3}}$	$H^*(V)$	q_L
$(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2})_{-\frac{5}{3}}$	$H^*(L^{-1})$	—
$(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1})_{\frac{2}{3}}$	$H^*(\Lambda^2 V)$	d_R^c
$(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1})_{-\frac{4}{3}}$	$H^*(V \otimes L^{-1})$	u_R^c
$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2})_{-1}$	$H^*(\Lambda^2 V \otimes L^{-1})$	l_L
$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_2$	$H^*(V \otimes L)$	e_R^c

anomalies

Caution: $U(1)$ are a priori **anomalous!**

Field theoretic anomaly six-forms (for flipped $SU(5)$):

$$A_{U(1)-G_{\mu\nu}^2} \simeq \int_{\mathcal{M}} c_1(L) \left[12 \left(-c_2(V) + c_1^2(L) \right) + 5 c_2(T) \right],$$

$$A_{U(1)-SU(5)^2} \simeq \int_{\mathcal{M}} c_1(L) \left[2 \left(-c_2(V) + c_1^2(L) \right) + c_2(T) \right],$$

$$A_{U(1)^3} \simeq \int_{\mathcal{M}} c_1(L) \left[-12c_2(V) + 17c_1^2(L) + 6 c_2(T) \right],$$

→ Anomaly must be cancelled by **Green-Schwarz mechanism**

↪ **massive $U(1)$!**

→ Careful analysis of effective $\mathcal{N} = 1$ SUGRA required to find way out

General setup

$$W = W_1 \oplus W_2, \quad W_i = V_{N_i} \oplus \bigoplus_{m_i=1}^{M_i} L_{m_i}, \quad c_1(W_i) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow SU(N_i) \times U(1)^{M_i} \subset SU(N_i + M_i) \subset E_8^{(i)}$$

$$\rightarrow H = H_1 \times H_2, \quad H_i = E_{(9-N_i-M_i)} \times U(1)^{M_i}$$

plus optional five-branes along holomorphic two-cycle $\gamma_a \rightarrow$
Anomaly cancellation condition [Donagi, Lukas, Ovrut, Waldram '99]

$$\sum_{i=1}^2 \left(\text{ch}_2(V_{N_i}) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m_i=1}^{M_i} c_1^2(L_{m_i}) \right) - \sum_a N_a \bar{\gamma}_a = -c_2(T)$$

$\sum_a N_a \bar{\gamma}_a$: effective class!

General setup

Tree-level Killing spinor equation for gaugino:

$$F_{ab} = F_{\bar{a}\bar{b}} = 0 \rightarrow V_{N_i}, L_{m_i} \text{ holomorphic bundles}$$

$$g^{a\bar{b}} F_{a\bar{b}} = 0 \rightarrow J \wedge J \wedge \bar{F}_{N_i/m_i} = 0 \text{ (HYM)}$$

zero-slope limit of

$$J \wedge J \wedge \bar{F}_{N_i/m_i} = 2\pi \mu(V_{N_i/m_i}) \text{vol}_{\mathcal{M}} \text{id},$$

$$\text{where } \mu(V_{N_i/m_i}) = \frac{1}{\text{rk}(V_{N_i/m_i})} \int_{\mathcal{M}} J \wedge J \wedge c_1(V_{N_i/m_i}).$$

$\Leftrightarrow V_{N_i}$ μ -stable (i.e. every proper subsheaf is of lower μ -slope)
(trivially satisfied for line bundles L_{m_i})

\rightarrow in addition: $\int_{\mathcal{M}} J \wedge J \wedge c_1(V_{N_i/m_i}) = 0$ (DUY)

will find one-loop corrections later

Anomalies

In general: all U(1) factors are anomalous

$$A_{U(1)_{m_i} - E_{9-N_i}^2} \sim f_{m_i} \wedge \text{tr} F_i^2 \left[\int_{\mathcal{M}} \bar{f}_{m_i} \wedge \left(\text{tr} \bar{F}_i^2 - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \bar{R}^2 \right) \right],$$
$$A_{U(1)_{m_i} - G_{\mu\nu}^2} \sim f_{m_i} \wedge \text{tr} R^2 \left[\int_{\mathcal{M}} \bar{f}_{m_i} \wedge \left(12 \text{tr} \bar{F}_i^2 - 5 \text{tr} \bar{R}^2 \right) \right]$$

plus cubic abelian

→ cancelled by 4D **generalised GS-mechanism**

in Type I: [Bianchi, Sagnotti; Ibanez, Rabadan, Uranga;

Anastasopoulos, Bianchi, Dudas, Kiritsis]

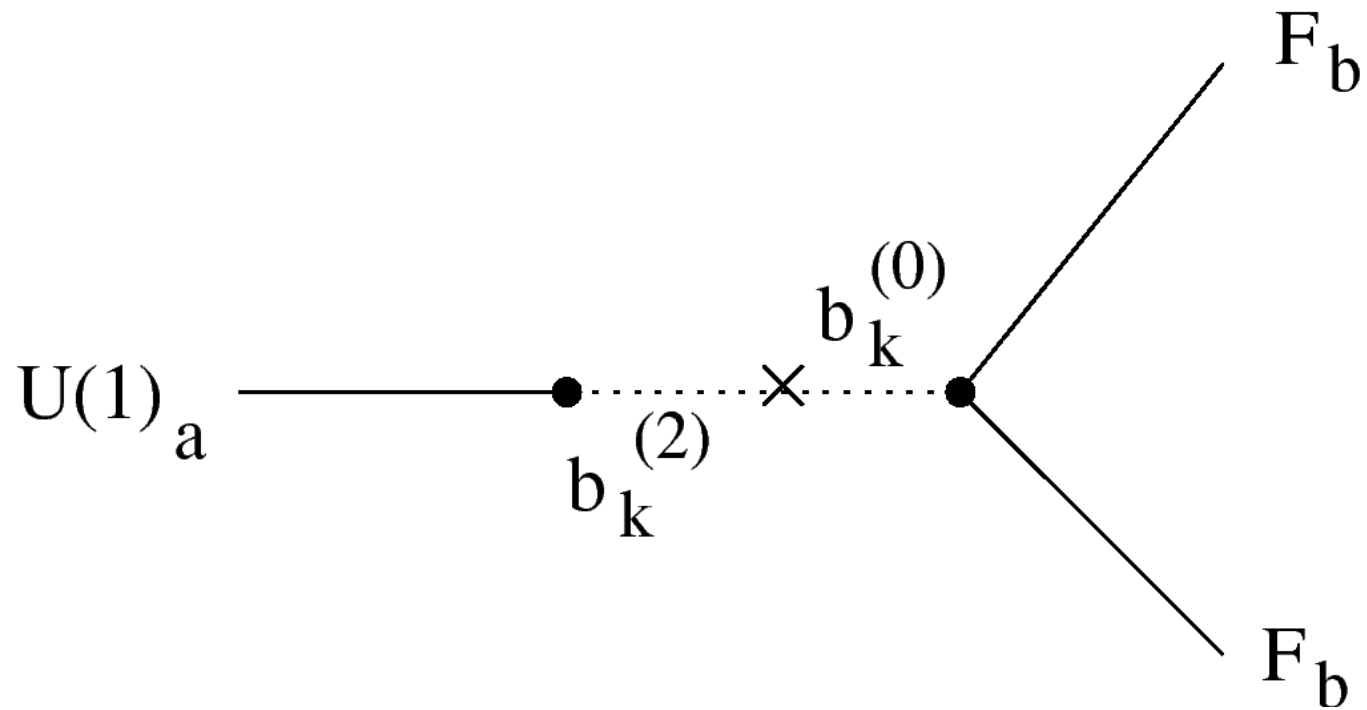
important far beyond issue of anomalies

↪ essential for determining effective gauge group (massive U(1)s!)

↪ new physics (one-loop modifications of stability condition)

↪ **worthwhile to study in detail**

4D GS-mechanism



4D GS-mechanism

$$S_{kin}^j = \alpha_j \int_{\mathbb{R}_{1,3}} db_j^{(2)} \wedge \star_4 db_j^{(2)} \quad db_j^{(0)} = \beta_j \star_4 db_j^{(2)}$$

need as **dynamical input**:

$$S_{vertex} = \sum_j \mathcal{A}_j \int_{\mathbb{R}_{1,3}} b_j^{(0)} \wedge \text{tr} \mathcal{F}^2,$$

$$S_{mass} = \sum_j \int_{\mathbb{R}_{1,3}} b_j^{(2)} \wedge \sum_m \mathcal{M}_{jm} f_m$$

Anomalous coupling induces associated anomaly six-form:

$$A_{U(1)_n - \mathcal{F}^2}^{GS} \sim \sum_j \frac{\beta_j}{\alpha_j} \mathcal{A}_j \mathcal{M}_{jn} (f_n \wedge \text{tr} \mathcal{F}^2).$$

GS-mechanism

axions/2-forms via **dimensional reduction** from:

$$B^{(2)} = b_0^{(2)} + \ell_s^2 \sum_{k=1}^{h_{11}} b_k^{(0)} \omega_k, \quad B^{(6)} = \ell_s^6 b_0^{(0)} \text{vol}_6 + \ell_s^4 \sum_{k=1}^{h_{11}} b_k^{(2)} \hat{\omega}_k$$

Dynamical input:

$$S_{GS} = \frac{1}{24 (2\pi)^5 \alpha'} \int_{\mathcal{M}^{(10)}} B^{(2)} \wedge X_8(F_1, F_2, R)$$
$$S_{kin} = -\frac{1}{4\kappa_{10}^2} \int_{\mathcal{M}^{(10)}} e^{-2\phi_{10}} H \wedge \star_{10} H$$

collect vertex and mass terms and compute anomaly six-form

GS-mechanism

Upon using tadpole cancellation condition find:

$$A \sim A_{\text{pert}} - \frac{1}{24(2\pi)^4\alpha'} \sum_a N_a \int_{\gamma_a} \text{tr}(F_1 \bar{F}_1) \times$$
$$\left[\frac{1}{4} (\text{tr}F_1^2 + \text{tr}F_2^2 - \text{tr}R^2) + \frac{3}{4} (\text{tr}F_1^2 - \text{tr}F_2^2) \right] + (1 \leftrightarrow 2)$$

A_{pert} cancels field theoretic (mixed/cubic) abelian anomalies

But: Five-branes induce additional anomaly in presence of $U(1)$ s!

Additional five-brane dependent counter terms required

GS-mechanism

First part cancelled by:

$$S_{GS}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{96(2\pi)^3 \alpha'} \sum_a N_a \int_{\Gamma_a} B^{(2)} \wedge (\text{tr} F_1^2 + \text{tr} F_2^2 - \text{tr} R^2)$$

On worldvolume Γ_a of five-brane a : self-dual 2-form \tilde{B}_a

$$\begin{aligned} d\tilde{B}_a &= \star_a d\tilde{B}_a \\ \tilde{B}_a &= \tilde{b}_a^{(2)} + \ell_s^2 \tilde{b}_a^{(0)} \hat{\gamma}_a \quad \text{with} \quad d\tilde{b}_a^{(0)} = \star_4 d\tilde{b}_a^{(2)} \end{aligned}$$

($\hat{\gamma}_a$: Hodge dual of $\bar{\gamma}_a$)

$$S_{GS}^{(2)} = \frac{1}{8(2\pi)^3 \alpha'} \sum_a N_a \int_{\Gamma_a} \tilde{B}_a \wedge (\text{tr} F_1^2 - \text{tr} F_2^2)$$

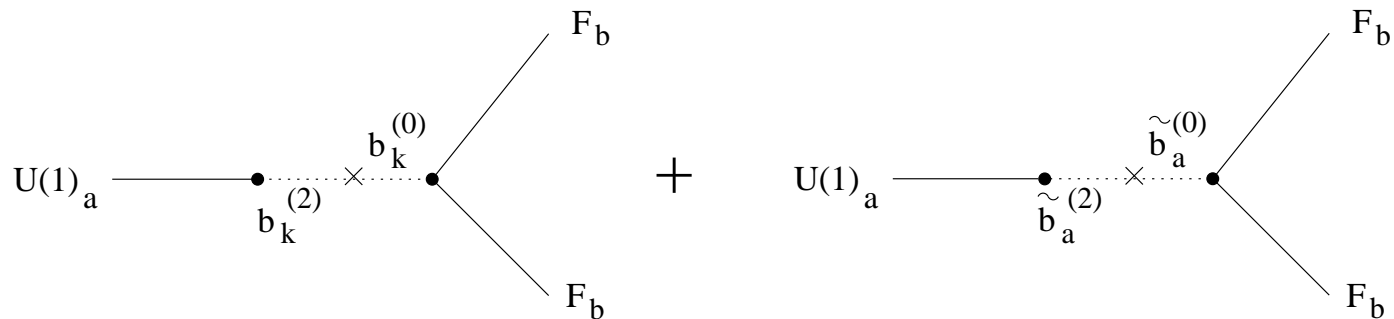
cancels second anomaly term

GS-mechanism

Both five-brane dependent GS-terms also follow from detailed reduction of heterotic M-theory

Summary:

One-loop counter terms of form:



⇒ Cancel all field-theoretic anomalies

Additional information:

⇒ encode threshold corrections of gauge kinetic functions

⇒ give rise to mass terms of $U(1)$ potentials

→ decide on low-energy gauge group

Massive U(1)

From $S_{mass} = \sum_j \int_{\mathbb{R}_{1,3}} b_j^{(2)} \wedge \sum_m \mathcal{M}_{jm} f_m$ find

$$S_{Stuckelberg} = - \sum_{m,n} (\mathbb{M})_{m,n}^2 (A_m \wedge \star_4 A_n) \quad \text{where}$$

$$(\mathbb{M})_{m,n}^2 = \sum_j \frac{1}{\alpha_j} \mathcal{M}_{jm} \mathcal{M}_{jn}$$

$$U(1)_f = \sum_m a_m U(1)_m \quad \text{is massless} \quad \iff \quad \sum_m \mathcal{M}_{jm} a_m = 0$$

→ need to identify mass terms in low-energy field theory!

Massive U(1)

Recall: $S_{mass} = \sum_j \int_{\mathbb{R}_{1,3}} b_j^{(2)} \wedge \sum_m \mathcal{M}_{jm} f_m$

$$\mathcal{M}_{0,n_i} \simeq \int_{\mathcal{M}} c_1(L_{n_i}) \wedge \left(\frac{1}{4\pi^2} [\text{tr}(\overline{F}_i^2) - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(\overline{R}^2)] - \frac{1}{4} \sum_a N_a \overline{\gamma}_a \right)$$

universal axio – dilaton

$$\mathcal{M}_{k,n_i} \simeq \int_{\mathcal{M}} c_1(L_{n_i}) \wedge \widehat{\omega}_k$$

Kähler axions

$$\mathcal{M}_{a,n_i} \simeq \pm \int_{\mathcal{M}} c_1(L_{n_i}) \wedge \overline{\gamma}_a$$

five – brane axions

For SUSY: bosonic partners in $\mathcal{N} = 1$ supermultiplet must get massive!

BUT: SUSY condition $\int_{\mathcal{M}} J \wedge J \wedge \overline{F}_{N_i/m_i} = 0$ only involves

Kähler moduli

SUSY and λ -stability

Aim: find missing terms in SUSY condition

Idea: Massive/anomalous U(1)s \leftrightarrow Fayet-Iliopoulos D-terms

$\mathcal{N} = 1$ SUGRA:

$$\frac{\xi_m}{g_m^2} = \left. \frac{\partial \mathcal{K}}{\partial V_m} \right|_{V_m=0}$$

V_m : superfield containing A_m

\rightsquigarrow How do gauge fields appear in Kähler potential?

SUSY and λ -stability

axionic U(1) coupling requires **gauging of $\mathcal{N} = 1$ SUGRA**:

$$S_{axion} = \int_{\mathbb{R}_{1,3}} db_j^{(0)} \wedge *db_j^{(0)} + \mathcal{M}_{jm} b_j^{(0)} \wedge d * A_m,$$

then unbroken $U(1)_m$ gauge symmetry requires that

$$A_m \rightarrow A_m + d\chi_m \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad b_j^{(0)} \rightarrow b_j^{(0)} + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{M}_{jm} \chi_m.$$

for superfields:

$$\begin{array}{l} A_m^\mu \rightarrow A_m^\mu + \partial^\mu \chi_\mu \\ b_j^{(0)} \rightarrow b_j^{(0)} + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{M}_{jm} \chi_m \end{array} \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{l} V_m \rightarrow V_m + \Phi_m + \Phi_m^* \\ \tilde{B}_j \rightarrow \tilde{B}_j + \mathcal{M}_{jm} \Phi_m \end{array}$$

SUSY and λ -stability

\rightsquigarrow guideline to construct gauge invariant Kähler potential

$$\mathcal{K} = -\ln[B_j + B_j - \sum \mathcal{M}_{jm} V_m]$$

B_j : superfield containing $b_j^{(0)}$ for axio-dilaton, Kähler axions, five-brane axions (more complicated: [Derendinger, Sauser'00]

[Moore, Peradze, Saulina'00])

$$S = e^{-2\phi_{10}} \frac{\text{Vol}(\mathcal{M})}{\ell_s^6} + \sum_a N_a \frac{\lambda_a^2}{2\ell_s^2} \int_{\Gamma_a} J + ib_0^{(0)}$$

$$T_k = -\frac{1}{\ell_s^2} \int_{\mathcal{M}} J \wedge \hat{\omega}_k + ib_k^{(0)},$$

$$\Lambda_a = -\lambda_a \frac{\text{Vol}(\gamma_a)}{\ell_s^2} + i\tilde{b}_a^{(0)}$$

SUSY and λ -stability

Result: FI-term vanishes iff

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathcal{M}} J \wedge J \wedge c_1(L_{m_i}) \\ & - \ell_s^4 g_s^2 \int_{\mathcal{M}} c_1(L_{m_i}) \wedge \left(\text{ch}_2(V_{N_i}) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n_i}^{M_i} c_1(L_{n_i}^2) + \frac{1}{2} c_2(T) \right) \\ & + \ell_s^4 g_s^2 \sum_a N_a \left(\frac{1}{2} \mp \lambda_a \right)^2 \int_{\gamma_a} c_1(L_{m_i}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

involves all moduli fields, as required from mass terms

includes tree-level part of DUY equation

\rightsquigarrow one-loop modification of DUY

\rightsquigarrow there must exist a perturbative correction also of (local)

Hermitian Yang-Mills equation

SUSY and λ -stability

Conjecture 1: perturbatively exact SUSY condition (**HYM**):

$$J \wedge J \wedge F_{k_i} - (2\pi\alpha')^2 \frac{g_s^2}{4} F_{k_i} \wedge d \left(\omega_{YM_i} - \frac{1}{2} \omega_L \right) = 2\pi \lambda_{k_i} \text{vol}_{\mathcal{M}} \text{id}$$

λ_{k_i} : λ -slope

$$\lambda(V_{k_i}, g_s) \equiv \frac{1}{\text{rk}(V_{k_i})} \int_{\mathcal{M}} J \wedge J \wedge c_1(V_{k_i}) - (2\pi\alpha')^2 \frac{g_s^2}{4} c_1(V_{k_i}) \wedge d \left(\omega_{YM_i} - \frac{1}{2} \omega_L \right),$$

together with: $\lambda_{k_i} = 0$ (**DUY**) (in absence of charged matter VEV!)

Conceptually: SUSY comes in two parts: HYM + DUY
4D SUGRA D-term only knows about DUY

SUSY and λ -stability

Stability at one-loop?

Conjecture 2: if $g_s < g_s(V_{k_i})$: HYM $\leftrightarrow V_{k_i}$ stable w.r.t. $\lambda(g_s)$
(inspired by Gieseker stability [Leung '97; Enger, Lutken '03])

λ -stability as perturbative stability concept

for arbitrary λ -slope: μ -stability $\rightarrow \lambda$ -stability

requires that tree-level part dominates over one-loop part
not true if one-loop term not vanishing by itself!

What is the correct stability concept in most general case?

Which are the additional non-pert. corrections?

\rightsquigarrow Heterotic version of Π -stability of B-type branes?

Loop corrections directly from 10 D analysis?

Model building

Recall: natural appearance of

- flipped $SU(5) \times U(1)_X$

$$W_1 = V_4 \oplus L^{-1} \text{ in } E_8^{(1)} \leftrightarrow$$

$$SU(4) \times U(1) \subset E_8^{(1)} \rightarrow SU(5) \times U(1)_1$$

- $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)_Y$

$$W_1 = V_5 \oplus L^{-1} \text{ in } E_8^{(1)} \leftrightarrow$$

$$SU(5) \times U(1) \subset E_8^{(1)} \rightarrow SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)_1$$

Lesson:

Massless $U(1)$ as linear combination of at least two $U(1)$ factors

second $U(1)$ from same $E_8 \rightsquigarrow$ chiral exotics, hard to control

simpler: second $U(1)$ from second E_8

Model building

Easiest: $W_2 = L \oplus L^{-1}$ in $E_8^{(2)} \leftrightarrow$

$$U(1) \times U(1) \subset E_8^{(2)} \rightarrow E_7 \times U(1)_2$$

$$248 \xrightarrow{E_7 \times U(1)} \left\{ (\mathbf{133})_0 + (\mathbf{1})_0 + (\mathbf{56})_1 + (\mathbf{56})_{-1} + (\mathbf{1})_2 + (\mathbf{1})_{-2} \right\}$$

$$\text{TAD : } \text{ch}_2(V) + 3 \text{ch}_2(L) - \sum_a N_a \bar{\gamma}_a \stackrel{!}{=} -c_2(T).$$

Detailed analysis: $U(1)_X = \frac{1}{2} (U(1)_{X'} - \frac{5}{2} U(1)_2)$

anomaly-free and massless iff:

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} c_1(L) \wedge c_2(V) \stackrel{!}{=} 0, \quad \int_{\gamma_a} c_1(L) \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \quad \text{for all M5 branes}$$

Model building

repr	chirality	SM part.
$(\mathbf{10}, \mathbf{1})_{\frac{1}{2}}$	$\chi(V) = g$	$(q_L, d_R^c, \nu_R^c) + [H_{10} + \bar{H}_{10}]$
$(\mathbf{10}, \mathbf{1})_{-2}$	$\chi(L^{-1}) = 0$	—
$(\bar{\mathbf{5}}, \mathbf{1})_{-\frac{3}{2}}$	$\chi(V \otimes L^{-1}) = g$	(u_R^c, l_L)
$(\bar{\mathbf{5}}, \mathbf{1})_1$	$\chi(\Lambda^2 V) = 0$	$[(h_3, h_2) + (\bar{h}_3, \bar{h}_2)]$
$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_{\frac{5}{2}}$	$\chi(V \otimes L) + \chi(L^{-2}) = g$	e_R^c
$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{56})_{\frac{5}{4}}$	$\chi(L^{-1}) = 0$	—

absence of e_R^c from $E_8^{(2)} \leftrightarrow \int_{\mathcal{M}} c_1(L)^3 = 0$

\rightsquigarrow one-loop part in DUY vanishes: $\int_{\mathcal{M}} J \wedge J \wedge c_1(L) \stackrel{!}{=} 0$

μ -stability \rightarrow λ -stability \rightarrow HYM

Model building

Task: Find, on arbitrary CY_3 \mathcal{M} , μ -stable, holomorphic rank 4/5 bundle V and complex non-trivial line bundle L , $c_1(V) = c_1(L)$, such that:

$$\sum_a N_a \bar{\gamma}_a = \text{ch}_2(V) + 3 \text{ch}_2(L) + c_2(T) \quad \text{is effective}$$

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} c_1(L) \wedge c_2(V) = 0 = \int_{\mathcal{M}} c_1(L)^3 = \int_{\gamma_a} c_1(L)$$

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} J \wedge J \wedge c_1(L) = 0$$

$$\chi(V) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathcal{M}} c_3(V) = 3$$

\rightsquigarrow 3 gen. of flipped $SU(5) \times U(1)_X / SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)_Y$

Model building

Any construction of μ -stable bundles does the job

Example: Spectral cover construction (SCC) on elliptically fibered CY_3 :

[Friedman, Morgan, Witten '97], [Donagi '97], [Andreas, Ruiperez '04]

construct $SU(N)$ bundles on elliptic fiber and extend to $U(N)$ bundles over CY_3

Took as CY_3 fibration over del Pezzo surfaces

searched up to dP_4 in very restricted parameter space

\rightsquigarrow found some dozens of chiral 3-gen. models in both setups

Model building

Next steps:

- **More general constructions:**

non-split extensions of lower rank SCC bundles

$$0 \rightarrow V_2 \rightarrow V_{4/5} \rightarrow V_{2/3} \rightarrow 0$$

μ -stable if

$$\mu(V_2) < 0 \text{ and } \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{M}}(V_{2/3}, V_2) \simeq (H^1(\mathcal{M}, V_2 \otimes V_{2/3}^*)) \neq 0$$

[Donagi, Ovrut, Pantev, Waldram '00]

\rightsquigarrow much more flexibility

- **Compute cohomology classes**, in part. $H^*(\mathcal{M}, V_a \otimes V_b)$ for SCC bundles

new techniques, F-theory inspired

Determine vector-like spectrum (in part. GUT Higgses for flipped SU(5))

Model building

Result: $\mathcal{O}(100)$ models with **precisely 3 families** -except weak Higgs sector- (and no vector-like exotics) of MSSM matter in both frameworks

for flipped $SU(5)$: **precisely one GUT-Higgs pair**

weak Higgs: under computation (need $H^*(\mathcal{M}, \Lambda^2 V)$)

Phenomenology-flipped SU(5)

- Good proton stability:

weak Higgs: $\bar{\mathbf{5}}_1 \longleftrightarrow (u_R^c, l): \bar{\mathbf{5}}_{-\frac{3}{2}}$: different quantum numbers

gauge invariant Yukawas present:

$$\mathbf{10}_{\frac{1}{2}}^i \mathbf{10}_{\frac{1}{2}}^j \mathbf{5}_{-1}, \quad \mathbf{10}_{\frac{1}{2}}^i \bar{\mathbf{5}}_{-\frac{3}{2}}^j \bar{\mathbf{5}}_1, \quad \bar{\mathbf{5}}_{-\frac{3}{2}}^i \mathbf{1}_{\frac{5}{2}}^j \mathbf{5}_{-1},$$

dim 4 proton decay operators absent: (not gauge invariant)

$$ll e \in \bar{\mathbf{5}}_{-\frac{3}{2}}^i \mathbf{1}_{\frac{5}{2}}^j \bar{\mathbf{5}}_{-\frac{3}{2}}^k, \quad q d l, \quad u d d \in \mathbf{10}_{\frac{1}{2}}^i \mathbf{10}_{\frac{1}{2}}^j \bar{\mathbf{5}}_{-\frac{3}{2}}^k$$

see also [Tatar, Watari'06]

also dim.5 (doublet-triplet splitting) and dim-6 ops.

[Dorsner, Perez'04] absent

- MSSM-like gauge coupling relations only for threshold corrected gauge couplings (to be checked in each case)

Conclusions

Unitary gauge fluxes provide **alternative gauge breaking mechanism to Wilson line approach**

Heterotic/ Type II model building on same footing

Possible also for $SO(32)$ heterotic theory

Works on general Calabi-Yau manifolds

Extendable to non-Kähler compactifications where geometry even harder to control?

Need even more general construction of stable holomorphic bundles

Understand λ -stability and non-pert. corrections

Explicit computation of Yukawas? μ -terms? Higgs-sector?

Statistical analysis? Heterotic landscape?