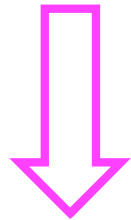




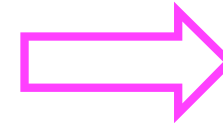
# M-Theory and Particle Physics

- I. Brief **Developments in String Theory** w/ implications for particle physics - **D-branes**
  
- II. Supersymmetric **Standard Model** constructions w/ **intersecting D-branes** (particle spectrum & couplings) - **geometric**
  
- III. D-branes and **Fluxes** (gravitational effects from D-branes) - **moduli stabilization**



Constructions of Standard Models w/ stabilized moduli

**Quest to unify forces of nature**



....Veneziano,....Di Vecchia,.....

**Green&Schwarz'84**

**String Theory – most promising candidate**

**as a consistent (finite) quantum theory of strings where elementary particles arise as massless excitations of strings.**

**In particular, gravitons - massless excitations of closed strings**

**Quantum gravity for free!**

**Standard Model of elementary particle interactions (strong, weak & electromagnetic) based on Non-Abelian Gauge theory**

$$SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$$

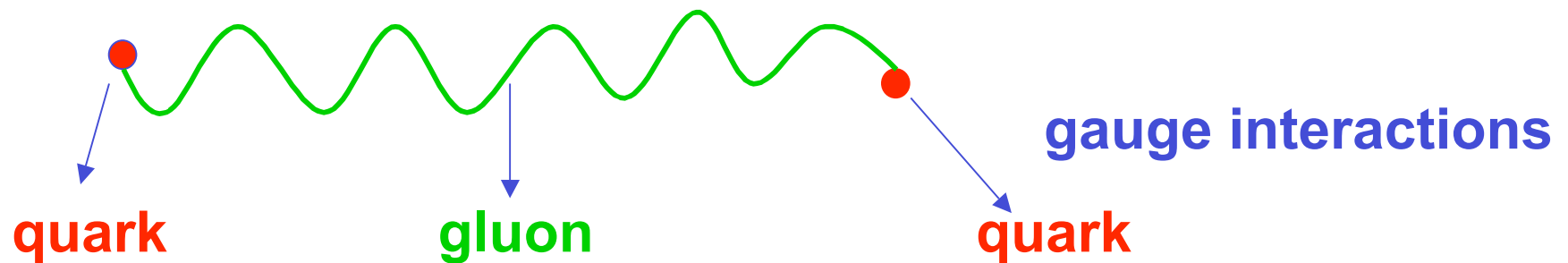
**Force mediated via spin 1-particles: gluons, W-bosons & photon**

3-families:

$$Q_L \sim ( \underline{3}, \underline{2}, 1/6 ) - \text{quarks}$$

$$L \sim ( \underline{1}, \underline{2}, -1 ) - \text{leptons, etc.}$$

chiral matter



**Modern String Theory (w/ D-branes) – geometric origin!**

# Perturbative String Theories



## Non-perturbative Unification

Hull&Townsend'94

Witten'95

11 dimensional supergravity

$g_{\text{IIA}}$  -strong

Type IIA superstring

$g_{\text{IIA}}$  -weak

Phenomenologically promising

Heterotic  $E_8 \times E_8$  string

(hybrid closed)

M-theory

Type IIB superstring

(closed)

Heterotic  $SO(32)$  string

(hybrid closed)

Type I superstring

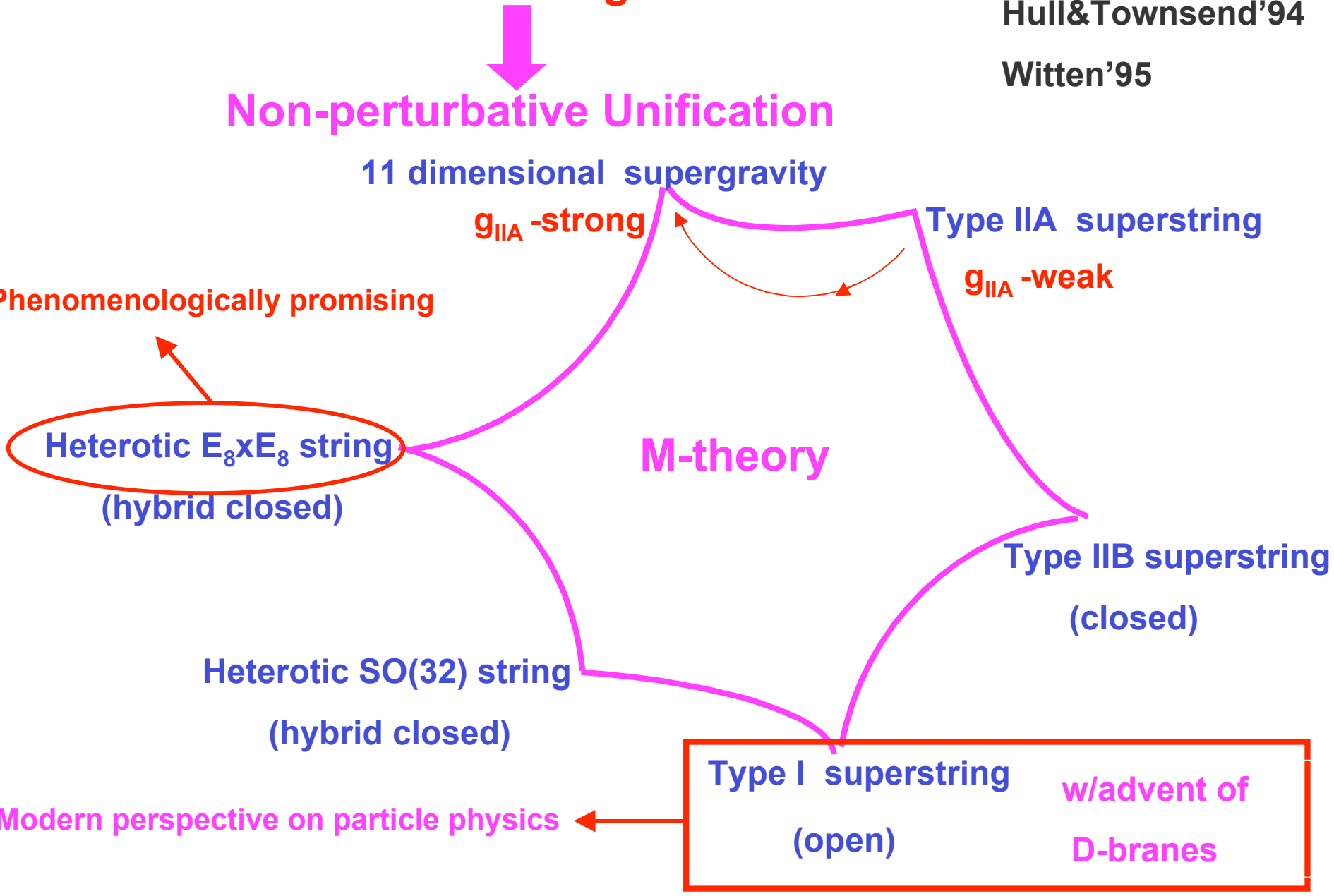
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w/advent of

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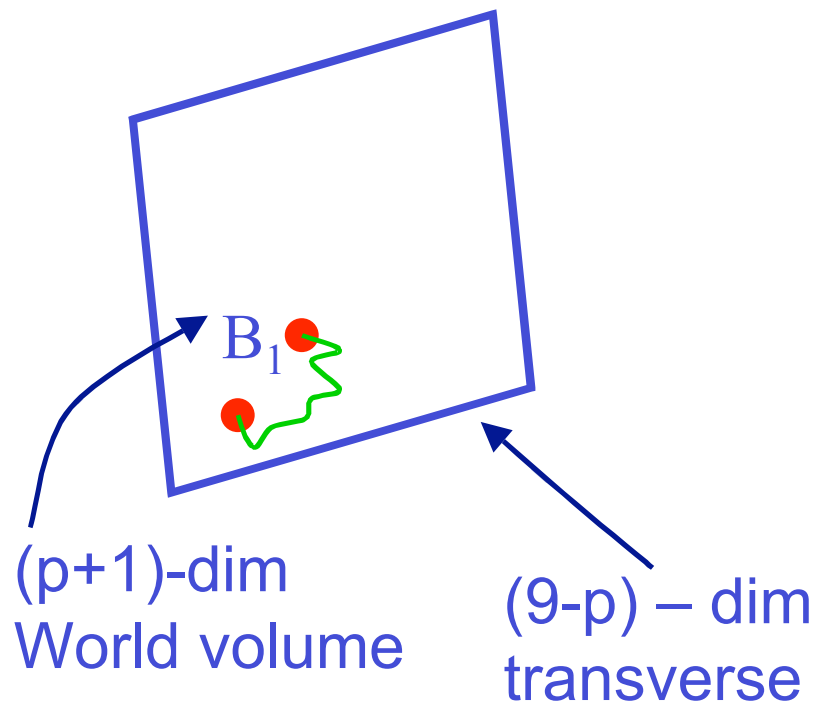
Modern perspective on particle physics

Different String Theories related to each other by Weak-Strong Coupling Duality



# D-branes & non-Abelian gauge theory

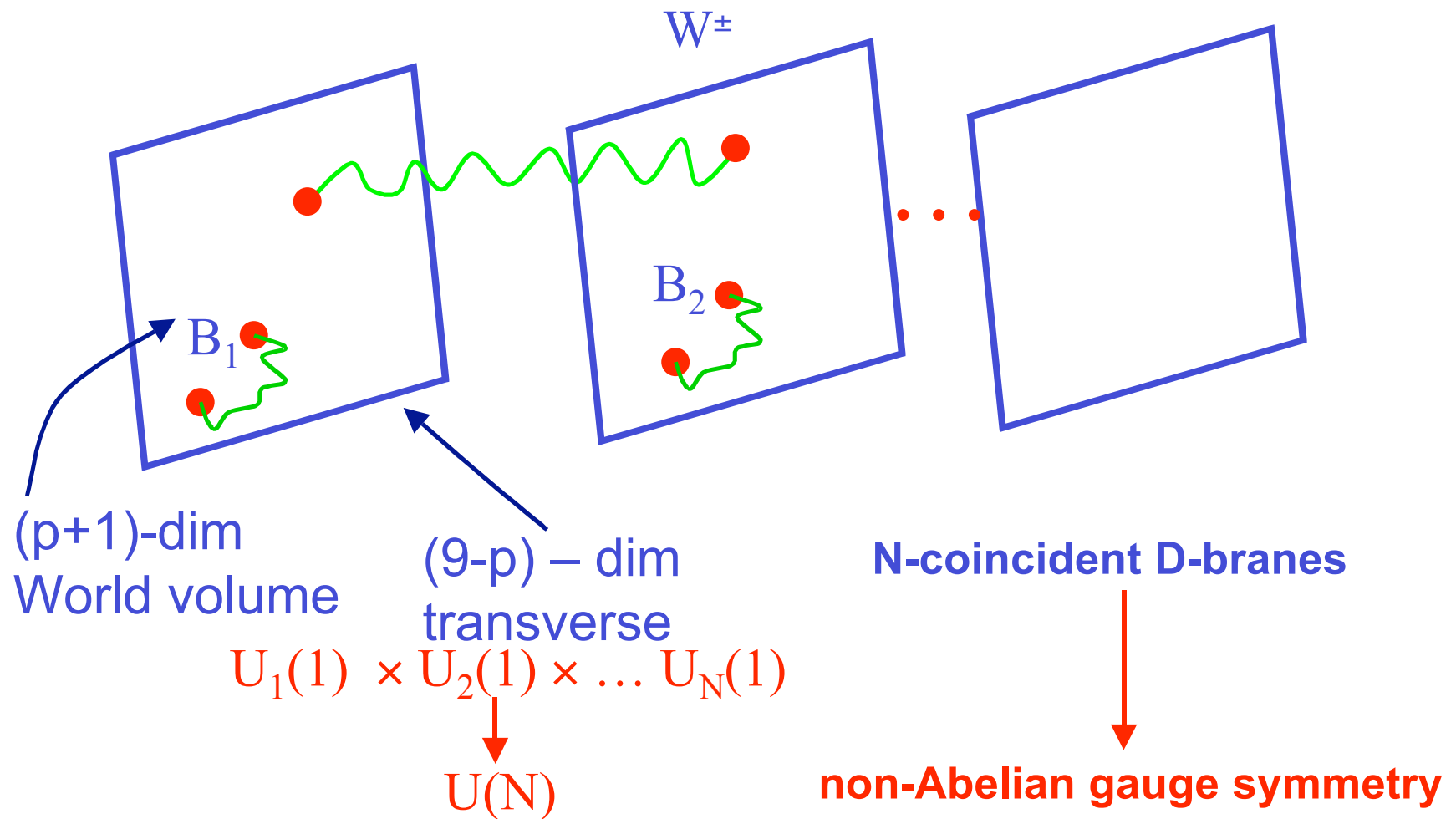
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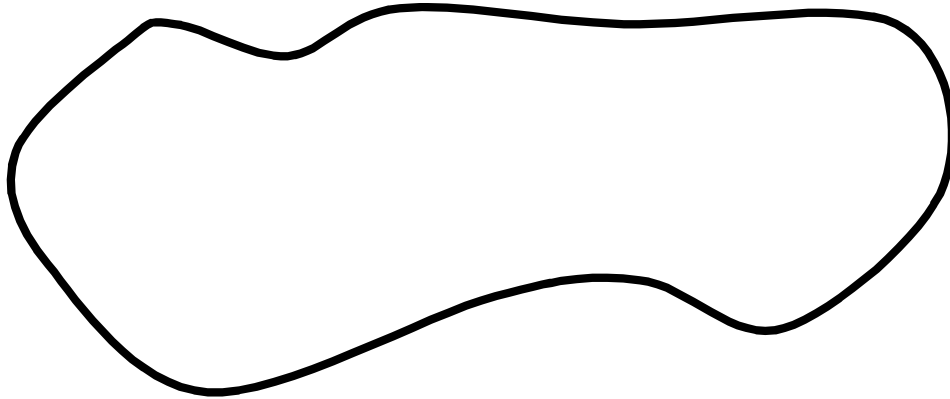
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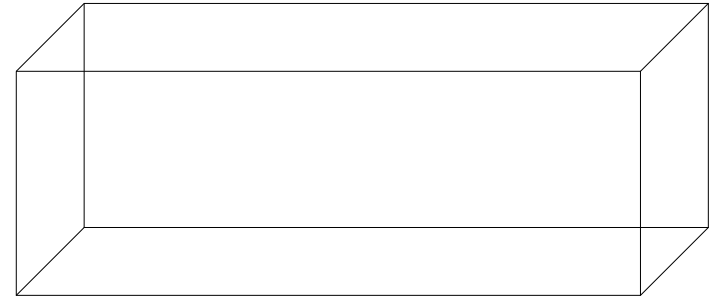
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D=9space + 1 time  $\longrightarrow$  D=3space + 1 time  
& supersymmetry

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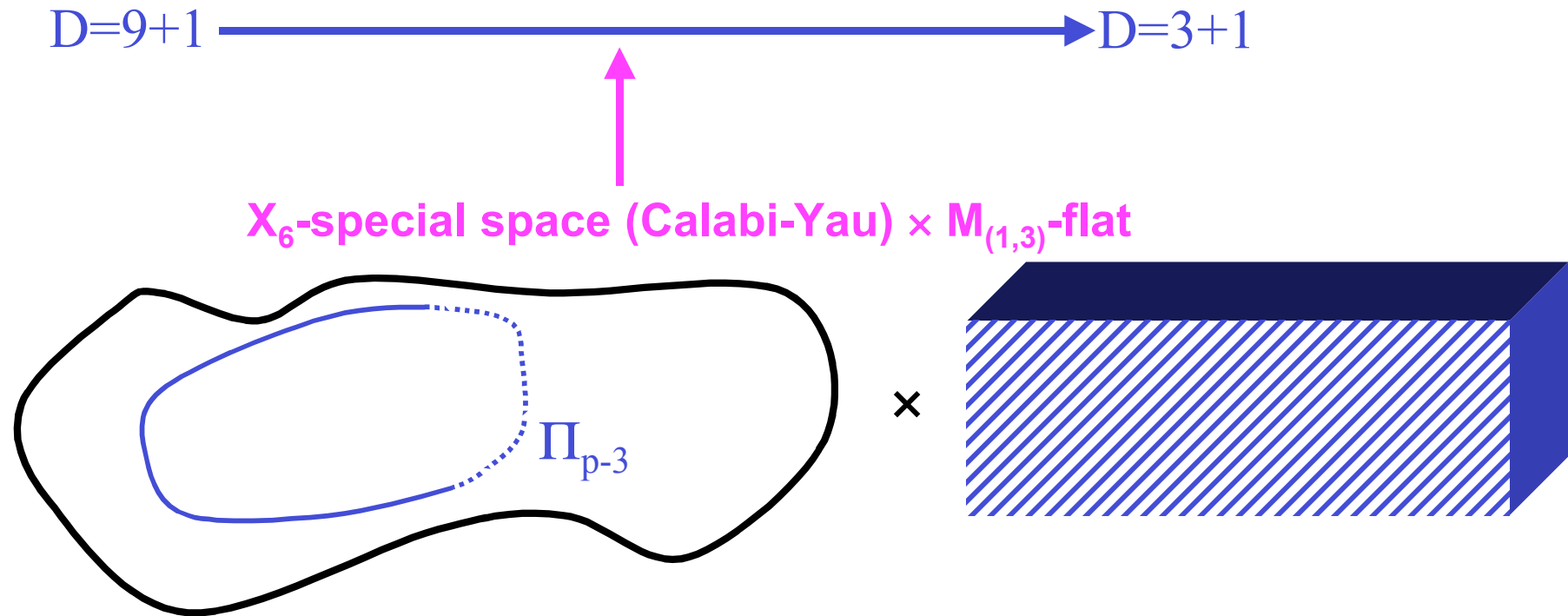


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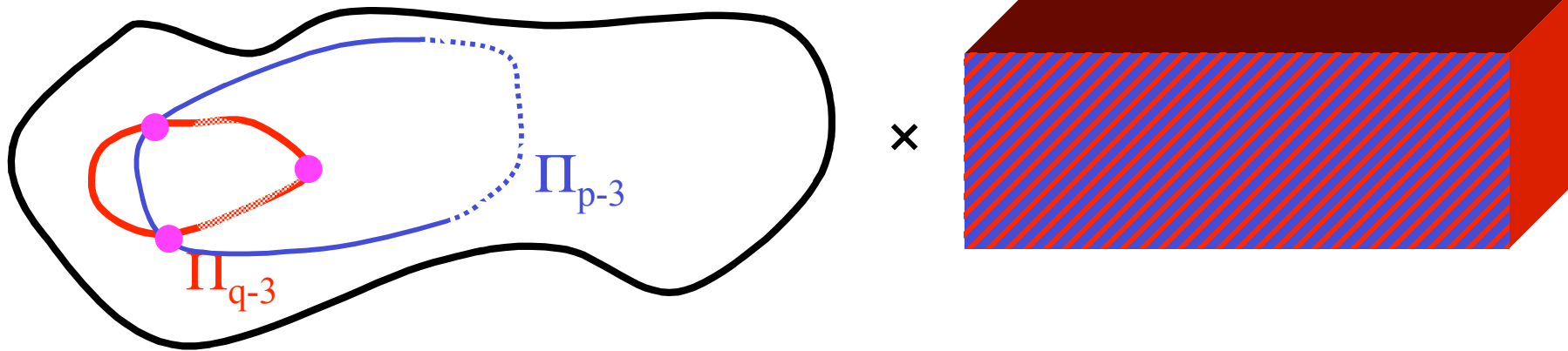


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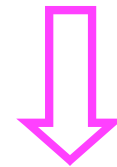
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**D q-branes** – extend in  $q+1$  dimensions:  
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$$\begin{aligned} & \Pi_{q-3} \cap \Pi_{p-3} \\ & \Pi_{q-3} \subset \Pi_{p-3} \end{aligned}$$

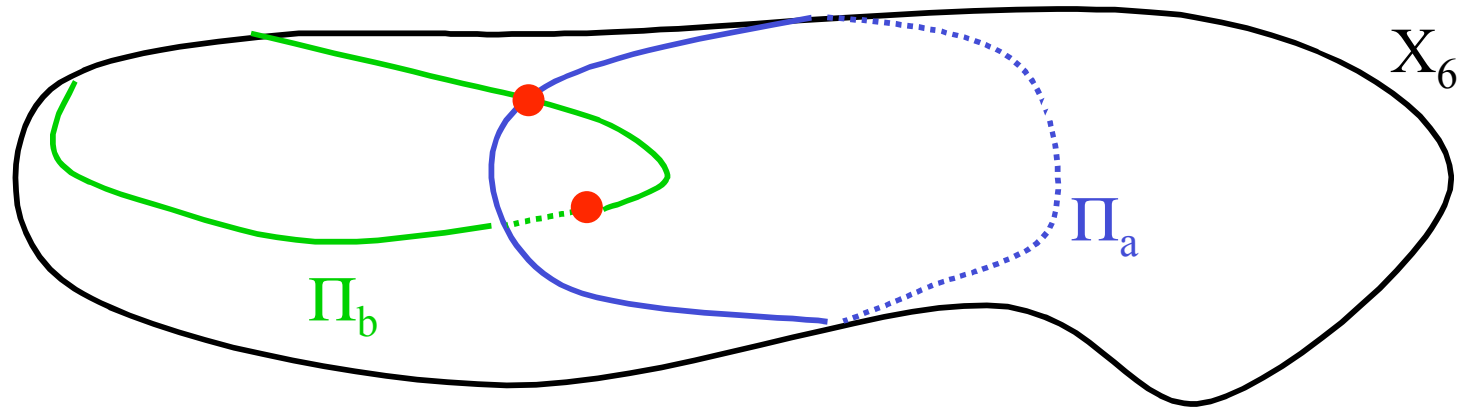


**Rich structure!**

[D-branes at singularities & Wilson lines-failed at realistic constr.  
 e.g., w/Wang&Plümacher'00; w/Wang&Uranga'01]

# Focus on D6-branes – Realistic Particle Physics

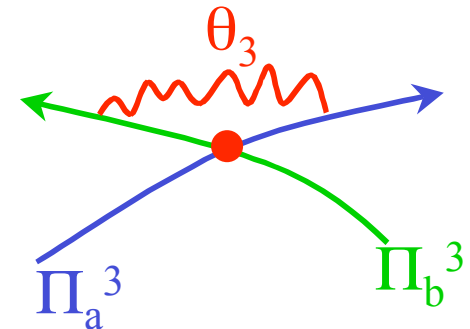
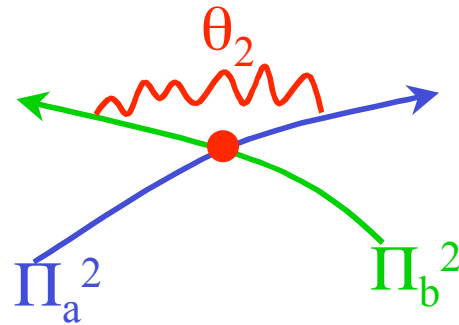
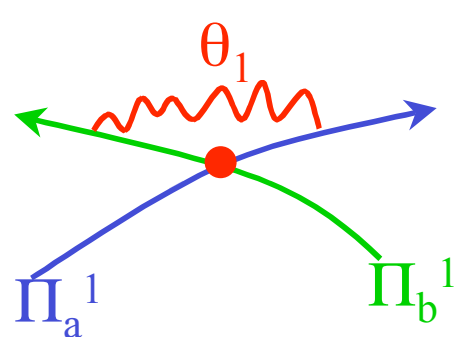
wrap 3-cycles  $\Pi$



In internal space intersect at points:

$[\Pi_a] \circ [\Pi_b]$  - topological number

$\Pi_a = \Pi_a^1 \otimes \Pi_a^2 \otimes \Pi_a^3$  – Factorizable 3-cycles



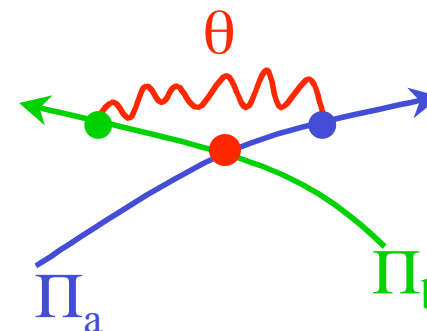
Berkooz, Douglas & Leigh '96

At each intersection-massless 4d fermion  $\psi$   
Geometric origin of chirality!

# Engineering of Standard Model

$N_a$  - D6-branes wrapping  $\Pi_a$

$N_b$  - D6-branes wrapping  $\Pi_b$



$$\Psi \sim \left( \begin{array}{c} U(N_a) \\ N_a \end{array} \right) \times \left( \begin{array}{c} U(N_b) \\ \bar{N}_b \end{array} \right) - [\Pi_a]^\circ[\Pi_b] - \text{number of families}$$

$$N_a = 3, \quad N_b = 2, \quad [\Pi_a]^\circ[\Pi_b] = 3$$

$$\Psi \sim \left( \begin{array}{c} U(3)_C \\ 3 \end{array} \right) \times \left( \begin{array}{c} U(2)_L \\ 2 \end{array} \right) - 3 \text{ copies of left-handed quarks}$$

**Global consistency conditions:**

**D6-brane charge conserv. in internal space - RR tadpole cancellation**

Sagnotti et al. '90s; Gimon & Polchinski '97.... Blumenhagen, Görlich, Körs & Lüst '00...

**& supersymmetry conditions (constraining!)**

**technical (no time!)**



**Building Blocks of Supersymmetric Standard Model**

Angelantonj, Antoniadis, Dudas & Sagnotti '00

## Non-Supersymmetric Standard-like Models (infinitely many)

Blumenhagen, Görlich, Körs & Lüst '00-01

Aldazabal, Franco, Ibanez, Rabadan & Uranga '00-'01

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$M_{\text{string}} \sim M_{\text{planck}}$  large NS-NS tadpole  
large radiative corrections



## Supersymmetric Standard-like Models (constrained)

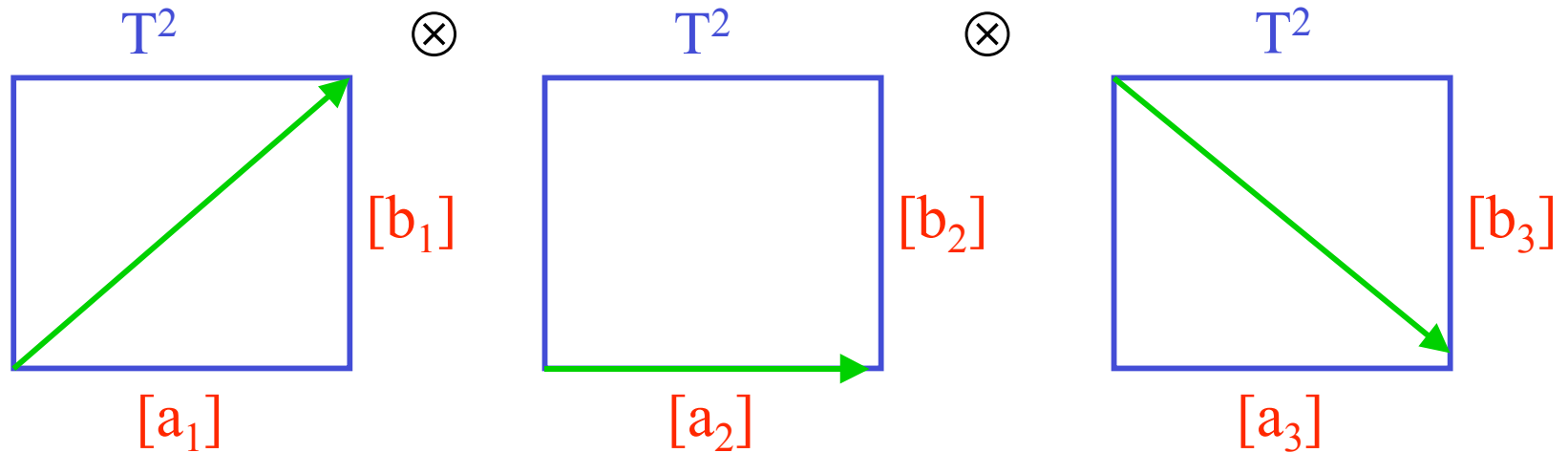
First supersymmetric Standard Model

w/G. Shiu and A. Uranga '01

# Toroidal/Orbifold compactifications (conformal field theory techniques)

$$T^6 / (Z_N \times Z_M)$$

$T^6 =$



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$$(1, 1)$$

$$(1, 0)$$

$$(1, -1)$$

$$[\Pi_a] =$$

$$[\Pi_a^1]$$

$$\otimes$$

$$[\Pi_a^b]$$

$$\otimes$$

$$[\Pi_a^c]$$

$$[\Pi_a^i] = n_a^i [a_i] + m_a^i [b_i]$$

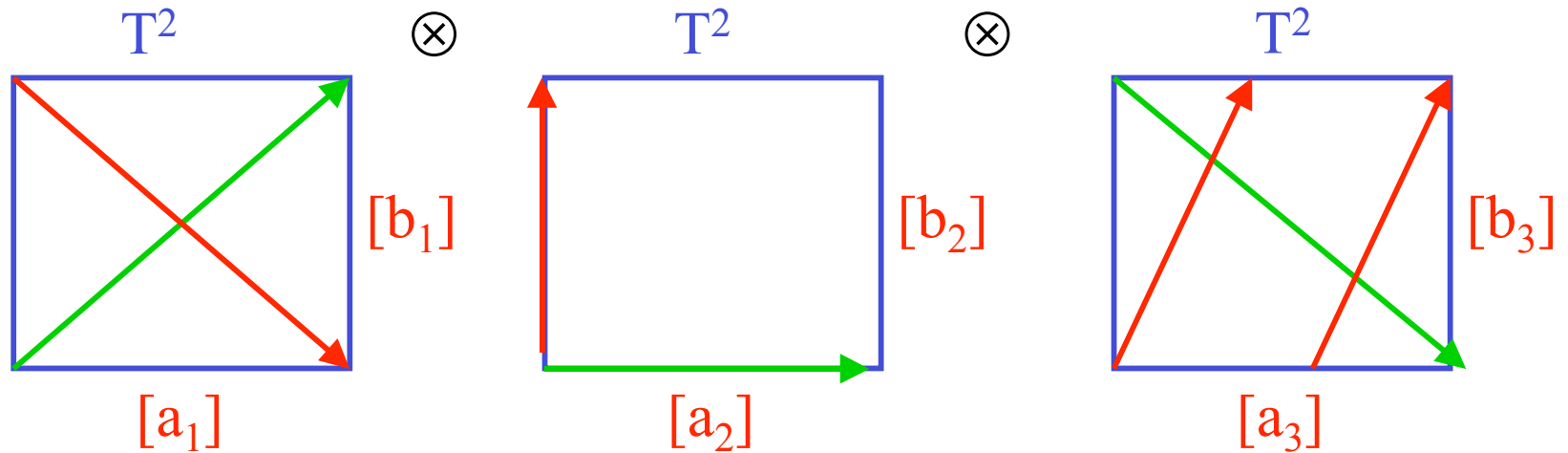
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$$[\Pi_a^i] = n_a^i [a_i] + m_a^i [b_i]$$

$$[N_a, n_a^i, m_a^i] \quad [N_b, n_b^i, m_b^i]$$

**Intersection number:**  $I_{ab} = [\Pi_a] \circ [\Pi_b] = \prod_{i=1}^3 (n_a^i m_b^i - n_b^i m_a^i)$

# Global Consistency Conditions

Gimon&Polchinski'98,Sagnotti et al. '90-ies  
Blumenhagen, Görlich, Körs & Lüst '00

## Cancellation of Ramond-Ramond (RR) Tadpoles

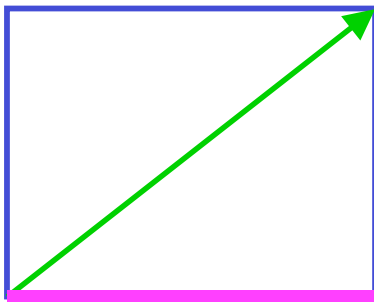
Gauss law for D6-charge conservation

$$N_a \left( [\Pi_a] + [\Pi_{a'}] \right) = -4 [\Pi_{06}] *$$

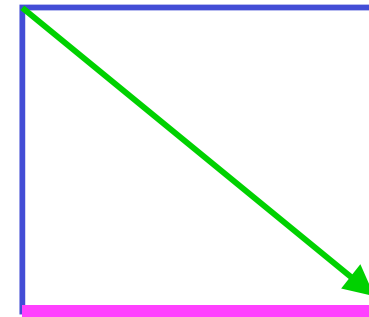
\* Constraints on wrapping numbers

Not possible to satisfy of CY spaces ("total" tension = charge = 0)

Orientifold plane - fixed planes w/ negative D6- charge



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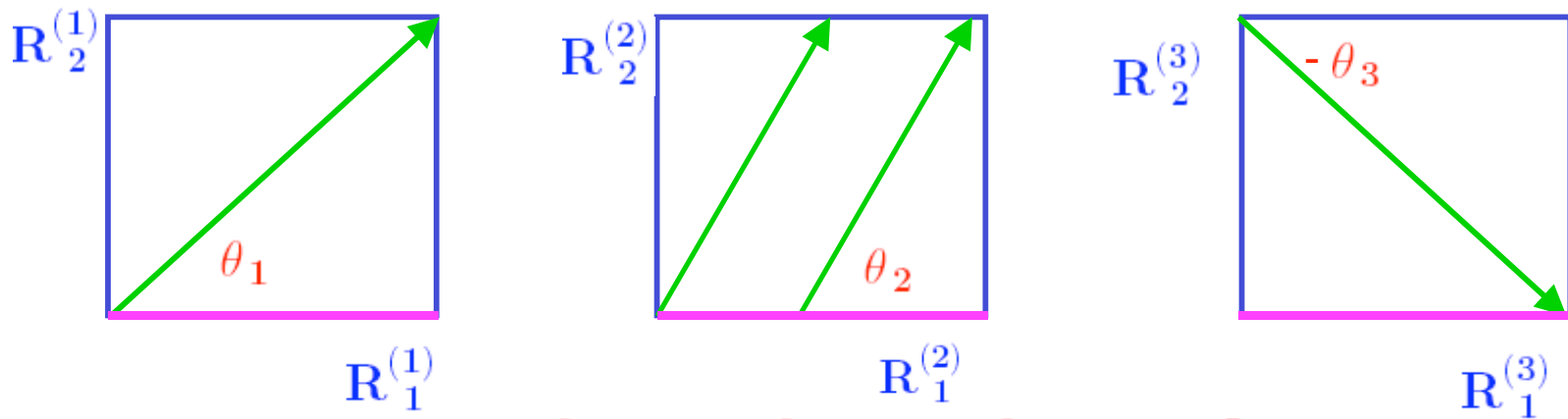




**Global consistency conditions**  
**(D6-brane charge conservation in internal space)**  
**for toroidal/orbifold compactifications**

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_a N_a n_a^1 n_a^2 n_a^3 &= 16 \\ - \sum_a N_a n_a^1 m_a^2 m_a^3 &= 16 \\ - \sum_a N_a m_a^1 n_a^2 m_a^3 &= 16 \\ - \sum_a N_a m_a^1 m_a^2 n_a^3 &= 16\end{aligned}$$

## Supersymmetry (toroidal/orbifold example)



$$\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 = 0$$

$$\arctan\left(\frac{m_1}{n_1}\chi_1\right) + \arctan\left(\frac{m_2}{n_2}\chi_2\right) + \arctan\left(\frac{m_3}{n_3}\chi_3\right) = 0$$

Constraints on complex structure moduli-  $U_i \sim \chi_i = \frac{R_2^{(i)}}{R_1^{(i)}}$

$$\{\theta_i^a\} \neq 0 \quad U(N_a)$$

$$\{\theta_i^a\} = 0 \quad Sp(N_a)$$

## **i) Supersymmetric Standard Model Constructions- Penn leading the effort primarily on $Z_2 \times Z_2$ orbifolds**

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w/G. Shiu & A. Uranga'01

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w/I. Papadimitriou'03

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w/T. Li and T. Liu hep-th/0403061

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Branes on rigid cycles w/R.Blumenhagen, F.Marchesano and G.Shiu, hep-th/0502095

w/T. Liu, work in progress

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## Other orbifolds

### (a) $Z_4$ -orientifold (1) - brane recombination

Blumenhagen, Görlich & Ott'03

### (b) $Z_4 \times Z_2$ -orientifold (1) - brane recombination

Honecker'03

### (c) $Z_6$ -orientifold - just SM (1)-Yukawa couplings (?)

Honecker & Ott '04

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Yukawa couplings – fermion masses

w/I. Papadimitriou'03

Four-point and higher-point functions

Abel & Owen'03, Klebanov-Witten'03...

Threshold corrections to gauge couplings

Stieberger & Lüst'03

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## Four-family Standard Model

Table 2: D6-brane configurations and intersection numbers for the four-family Standard-like model. In the table,  $\chi_i$  is the complex modulus for the  $i$ -th torus, and  $\beta_i^g$  is the beta function for the  $i$ -th  $Sp$  group from the  $i$ -th stack of branes.

$$\ell^i \equiv m^i$$

I	[ $U(4)_C \times Sp(8)_L \times Sp(8)_R$ ] <sub>observed</sub> $\times$ [ $U(4) \times Sp(8) \times Sp(8)$ ] <sub>hidden</sub>									
stack	$N$	$(n^1, l^1) \times (n^2, l^2) \times (n^3, l^3)$	$n_{\square\square}$	$n_{\square}$	$b$	$c$	$d$	$d'$	1	2
$a$	8	$(1, 0) \times (1, 1) \times (1, -1)$	0	0	1	-1	0	0	0	0
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$c$	8	$(0, 1) \times (0, -1) \times (1, 0)$	0	0	-	-	0	0	0	0
$d$	8	$(0, 1) \times (1, -1) \times (1, -1)$	0	0	-	-	-	0	-1	1
1	8	$(1, 0) \times (1, 0) \times (1, 0)$	$\chi_2 = \chi_3 = 1$ $\beta_1^g = \beta_2^g = -4$							
2	8	$(1, 0) \times (0, -1) \times (0, 1)$								

no inter-  
section w/  
hidden sector  
**no chiral  
exotics!**

$Sp(8)_L \times Sp(8)_R$       1-Higgs (8,8), one-family      confining "hidden sector"  
↓      brane splitting      ↓      brane splitting ↓  
 $U(2)_L \times U(2)_R$       16- Higgs (2,2), four-families

# Three-family SM model w/Sp (2)<sub>L</sub> x Sp(2)<sub>R</sub> directly (Z<sub>2</sub> x Z<sub>2</sub> orientifold)

$$\ell^i \equiv 2 m^i$$

III	$[U(4)_C \times SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R]_{observable} \times [U(2)^* \times Sp(8)]_{hidden}$								
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$c$	2	$(0, 1) \times (0, -1) \times (2, 0)$	0	0	-	-	-6	6	0
$d$	4	$(2, -1) \times (1, 3) \times (1, 3)$	$\chi_1 = 24\chi_3 / (4 - 9\chi_3^2)$						
2	8	$(1, 0) \times (0, -1) \times (0, 2)$							

} non-zero  
Intersections  
w/hidden sector  
chiral exotics

wrapping nos. of SM - for toroidal orientifold does not cancel RR-tadpoles

Cremades, Ibanez & Marchesano'03

Embedding in Z<sub>2</sub> x Z<sub>2</sub> orientifold-allows for cancellation of RR-tadpoles

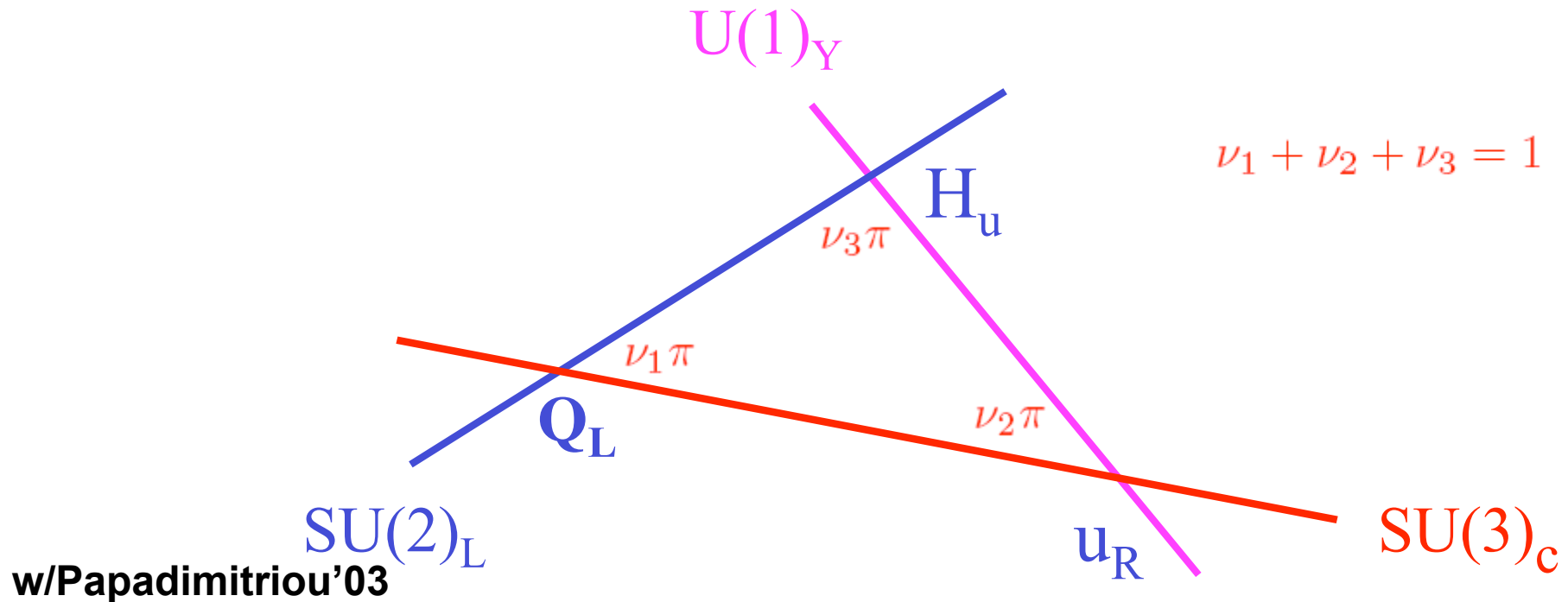
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\*"hidden sector" (unitary) branes - necessary for RR-tadpole cancellation



# Yukawa Couplings

Intersections in internal space (schematic on  $i^{\text{th}}$ -two-torus)



(Conformal Field Theory Techniques)

$$Y = (2\pi)^{\frac{3}{2}} g_{st} \prod_{i=1}^3 \left[ \frac{\Gamma(1 - \nu_1^i) \Gamma(1 - \nu_2^i) \Gamma(1 - \nu_3^i)}{\Gamma(\nu_1^i) \Gamma(\nu_2^i) \Gamma(\nu_3^i)} \right]^{\frac{1}{4}} \sum_I \exp\left(-\frac{A_I^1 + A_I^2 + A_I^3}{2\pi\alpha'}\right)$$

quantum part

classical part  $A_I^i$  -triangle areas on  $i^{\text{th}}$  two-torus lattice

(c.f., Cremades, Ibanez & Marchesano'03 for detailed study)



# Moduli Stabilization & Chiral Models

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gauge coupling      dilaton      complex structure moduli

Nonperturbative potential depends exponentially on  $f_a$ - example of  $S, U_i$ -moduli fixed & SUSY broken

w/Langacker&Wang'03

## II. Supergravity Fluxes:

**Type IIA** – program to classify  $N=1$  supergravity vacua

(nearly Kähler internal space & chiral non-Abelian D-brane sector)

w/K. Behrndt, hep-th/0308045, 0403049, 0407163

[also &w/P.Gao, hep-th/0502154 &w/T. Liu, work in progress]

**Type IIB** - first classes of 3&4 family SM's with fluxes turned on

w/T.Liu/hep-th/0409032, w/T.Li&T.Liu, hep-th/0501041

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gauge kin. function      dilaton      complex structure moduli  
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superpotential calculation

Derendinger, Kounnas, Petropoulos & Zwirner, hep-th/0411276, 0503229;

Cremades, Font & Ibanez, hep-th/0506055

**Type IIB - examples of SM with fluxes** Marchesano & Shiu hep-th/0408058, 04091

w/T.Liu/hep-th/0409032, w/T.Li & T.Liu, hep-th/0501041

Chen, Li & Nanopoulos, hep-th/0509118

## Type IIB theory

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## Fluxes

[D1,D3,D5,D7- branes]

[  $C(2n)$  – RR potentials]

**Fluxes better understood:** supersymmetry conditions, back-reaction, **potential** for moduli, etc.

**Rich framework:** cosmology, landscape, etc.

**Focus on stabilization of all moduli:**

**Giddings, Kachru&Polchinski '01**

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**Kachru, Kallosh, Linde & Trivedi '03**

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**Denef, Douglas,Florea,Grassi&Kachru, hep-th/0503124**

**Aspinwall & Kallosh, hep-th/0506014**

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**However, these efforts do not focus on realistic particle physics !**

# FOCUS: REALISTIC CHIRAL FLUX COMPACTIFICATIONS

[Standard Model and (some) moduli fixed due to fluxes]

Specific flux (w/ mild back-reaction; internal space conformal to Calabi Yau):

$$G_3 = F_3 - \tau H_3$$

RR-3form   dilaton/axion   NS-NS-3form

Supersymmetry:   self-dual, primitive (2,1) form   Grana&Polchinski'00

[Four-dim superpotential:    $W \sim \int \Omega \wedge G_{(3)} = f^I p_I$   
 Gukov,Vafa&Witten'99  
 complex structure moduli]

Through Chern Simons term,  $G_3$  (quantized) flux contributes to  $Q_{D3}$  charge:

$$N_{\text{flux}} = \frac{1}{(4\pi^2\alpha')^2} \frac{i}{2\tau_I} \int_{X_6} G_3 \wedge \bar{G}_3$$

STRONG CONSTRAINTS ON GLOBAL CONSISTENCY CONDITION,  
 THUS CONSTRAINING ALLOWED D-BRANE SECTOR

## D-Brane Sector:

Type IIA: Intersecting D6-branes



T-duality (  $R_1^{(i)} \rightarrow \frac{\alpha'}{R_1^{(i)}}$  )

Type IIB: Magnetized D9-branes

w/ induced D3 and D7 charges

(analogous global consistency conditions as for D6-branes)

Cascales&Uranga'03;Blumenhagen,Lüst&Taylor'03'

Antoniadis&Maillard'04 ...

## D-Brane Sector:

Type IIA: Intersecting D6-branes



T-duality (  $R_1^{(i)} \rightarrow \frac{\alpha'}{R_1^{(i)}}$  )

Type IIB: Magnetized D9-branes

Cascales&Uranga'03;Blumenhagen,Lüst&Taylor'03

$\{N_a, (n_a^i, m_a^i)\}$

$$m_a^i \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{T^2_i} F_a^i = n_a^i$$

U(1)-D-brane magnetic field

Induced D3 and D7 charges

$$Q3_a = N_a n_a^1 n_a^2 n_a^3,$$

$$(Q7_i)_a = N_a n_a^i m_a^j m_a^k, \quad i \neq j \neq k$$

**Global consistency conditions**  
for toroidal/orbifold compactifications

$$\sum_a N_a n_a^1 n_a^2 n_a^3 = 16$$

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## D-branes & Fluxes (Type IIB)

### Global consistency conditions for toroidal/orbifold compactifications

$$Q_{D3} \quad \sum_a N_a n_a^1 n_a^2 n_a^3 = 16 - N_{\text{flux}}/2$$

$$Q_{D7_1} \quad - \sum_a N_a n_a^1 m_a^2 m_a^3 = 16$$

$$Q_{D7_2} \quad - \sum_a N_a m_a^1 n_a^2 m_a^3 = 16$$

$$Q_{D7_3} \quad - \sum_a N_a m_a^1 m_a^2 n_a^3 = 16$$

$$N_{D3} = N_{\text{flux}}$$

**Need negative D3-brane contributions - constrained !**



# Three-family SM model w/ $Sp(2)_L \times Sp(2)_R$ electro-weak sector ( $Z_2 \times Z_2$ orientifold)

III	$[U(4)_C \times SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R]_{observable} \times [U(2)^* \times Sp(8)]_{hidden}$								
stack	$N$	$(n^1, l^1) \times (n^2, l^2) \times (n^3, l^3)$	$n_{\square\square}$	$n_{\square}$	$b$	$c$	$d$	$d'$	2
$a$	8	$(1, 0) \times (1, 3) \times (1, -3)$	0	0	3	-3	0	0	0
$b$	2	$(0, 1) \times (1, 0) \times (0, -2)$	0	0	-	0	-6	6	0
$c$	2	$(0, 1) \times (0, -1) \times (2, 0)$	0	0	-	-	-6	6	0
$d$	4	$(2, -1) \times (1, 3) \times (1, 3)$	$\chi_1 = 24\chi_3 / (4 - 9\chi_3^2)$ $\chi_2 = \frac{1}{2}\chi_3, \beta_2^g = -5$						
2	8	$(1, 0) \times (0, -1) \times (0, 2)$							

Non-zero  
Intersections  
w/hidden sector-  
chiral exotics

wrapping nos. of SM

$Z_2 \times Z_2$  orientifold embedding-cancellation of RR-tadpoles

\*~~U(2)~~-D9-brane w/ negative D3-charge contribution

Cremades, Ibanez & Marchesano'03

w/ Langacker, Li & Liu, hep-th/0407178

3-family SM Chiral Flux Vacuum:

$U(1) \times U(1)$  &  $nf=1$  flux units  
th/0408058,0409132

Marchesano & Shiu, hep-

# f-family Standard Model w/Sp(2f)<sub>L</sub> x Sp(2f)<sub>R</sub> & n<sub>f</sub>-units of flux

w/T. Liu hep-th/0409032

TABLE VII: D-brane configurations and intersection numbers for the consistent  $f$ -family Standard-like Models with  $n_f$ -units of quantized flux.  $\chi_i$  is the Kähler modulus for the  $i^{\text{th}}$  two-torus,  $\beta_j^g$  is the beta function for the  $Sp$  group from the  $j^{\text{th}}$  stack of branes. The allowed models have  $f = 2, 4$  with  $(n_f)_{\text{max}} = 2, 1$ , respectively.

$[U(4)_C \times Sp(2f)_L \times Sp(2f)_R]_o \times [U(2) \times Sp(8(4 - \frac{f}{2})^2 + 16 - 32n_f)]_h$									
j	N	$(n^1, m^1)(n^2, m^2)(n^3, m^3)$	$n_{\square\square}$	$n_{\square}$	b	c	d	d'	1
a	8	(1, 0)(1, 1)(1, -1)	0	0	1	-1	$(4 - \frac{f}{2})^2 - 1$	$-(4 - \frac{f}{2})^2 + 1$	0
b	8	(0, 1)(1, 0)(0, -1)	0	0	-	0	$2(4 - \frac{f}{2})$	$-2(4 - \frac{f}{2})$	0
c	8	(0, 1)(0, -1)(1, 0)	0	0	-	-	$2(4 - \frac{f}{2})$	$-2(4 - \frac{f}{2})$	0
d	4	$(-2, -1)(4 - \frac{f}{2}, 1)(4 - \frac{f}{2}, 1)$	$\chi_1 = (16 - 2f)\chi_3 / (\chi_3^2 - (4 - \frac{f}{2})^2)$						
1	$8(4 - \frac{f}{2})^2 + 16 - 32n_f$	$(1, 0)(1, 0)(1, 0)$	$\chi_2 = \chi_3, \beta_1^g = -5$						

intersections  
w/hidden sector  
chiral exotics

n<sub>f</sub>=1, f=4: Sp(8)<sub>L</sub> x Sp(8)<sub>R</sub>

brane splitting →

U(2)<sub>L</sub> x U(2)<sub>R</sub>

n<sub>f</sub>=2, f=2: Sp(4)<sub>L</sub> x Sp(4)<sub>R</sub>

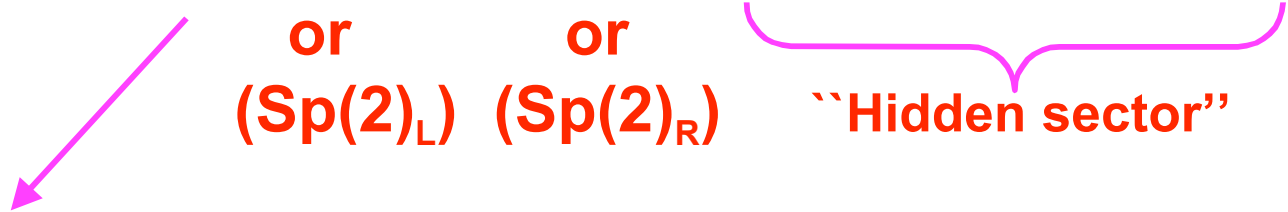
brane splitting →

Sp(2)<sub>L</sub> x Sp(2)<sub>R</sub>

\* U(2) w/specific wrapping nos (negative D3-brane charge) to cancel flux contrib

## New Sets of Flux Models

Gauge symmetry:  $U(4)_C \times U(2)_L \times U(2)_R \times Sp(2N_1) \times Sp(2N_2) \dots$   
or  $(Sp(2)_L) (Sp(2)_R)$  "Hidden sector"



SM-sector contains branes w/ NEGATIVE D3 - brane charge  
[Fluxes contribute to global consistency conditions in the D-brane  
Standard Model sector]

New representative models (of order 20) of 3- and 4-family  
Standard Models with up to 3-units of quantized flux.

## Three -family SM with 3- units of flux (supersymmetric)

Table 5: D-brane configurations and intersection numbers for *Model* –  $T_3$  – 1.

<i>Model</i> – $T_3$ – 1	$[U(4)_C \times U(2)_L \times U(2)_R]_{Observable}$								
j	N	$(n^1, m^1)(n^2, m^2)(n^3, m^3)$	$n_{\square\square}$	$n_{\square}$	b	b'	c	c'	Kähler moduli
a	8	(1, 0)(1, 1)(1, -1)	0	0	-3	1	12	-10	$\chi_3 = \chi_2 = 2\chi_1$
b	4	(1, 1)(2, -1)(1, 0)	-2	2	-	-	6	6	$\chi_3 = 2\sqrt{10}$
c	4	(-2, -1)(4, 1)(3, 1)	-6	-106	-	-	-	-	

Table 6: D-brane configurations and intersection numbers for *Model* –  $T_2$  – 1.

<i>Model</i> – $T_2$ – 1	$[U(4)_C \times U(2)_L \times U(2)_R]_{Observable} \times [Sp(12 - 4n_f)]_{Hidden}$									
j	N	$(n^1, m^1)(n^2, m^2)(n^3, m^3)$	$n_{\square\square}$	$n_{\square}$	b	b'	c	c'		
a	8	(1, 0)(1, 1)(1, -1)	0	0	-3	1	8	-8		
b	4	(2, 1)(2, -1)(1, 0)	0	0	-	-	0	4		
c	4	(-2, -1)(3, 1)(3, 1)	-44	-64	-	-	-	-		
$(D7)_2$	4	(0, 1)(1, 0)(0, -1)	$\chi_3 = \chi_2 = \chi_1 = \sqrt{21}$							

## Three -family SM with 1- units of flux

Table 7: D-brane configurations and intersection numbers for *Model* –  $T_1$  – 1.

<i>Model</i> – $T_1$ – 1	$[U(4)_C \times Sp(2)_L \times U(2)_R]_{Observable} \times [Sp(8)]_{Hidden}$								
j	N	$(n^1, m^1)(n^2, m^2)(n^3, m^3)$	$n_{\square\square}$	$n_{\square}$	b	c	c'		
a	8	(1, 0)(3, 1)(3, -1)	0	0	-3	3	0		
b	2	(0, 1)(0, -1)(2, 0)	0	0	-	16	-		
c	4	(-2, -1)(4, 1)(3, 1)	-6	-106	-	-	-		
D3	8	(1, 0)(1, 0)(1, 0)	$\chi_2 = \chi_3, \frac{12}{\chi_2^2} + \frac{14}{\chi_1\chi_2}$						

## More three-family SM's with 1-unit of flux

Table 8: D-brane configurations and intersection numbers for *Model* –  $T_1 - 2$ .

<i>Model</i> – $T_1 - 2$		$[U(4)_C \times U(2)_L \times U(2)_R]_{Observable} \times [Sp(8) \times Sp(4)]_{Hidden}$						
j	$N$	$(n^1, m^1)(n^2, m^2)(n^3, m^3)$	$n_{\square\square}$	$n_{\square\blacksquare}$	$b$	$b'$	$c$	$c'$
<i>a</i>	8	(1,0)(1,1)(1,-1)	0	0	-3	1	4	-6
<i>b</i>	4	(2,1)(2,-1)(1,0)	0	0	-	-	0	0
<i>c</i>	4	(-2,-1)(2,1)(3,1)	-18	-78	-	-	-	-
<i>D3</i>	8	(1,0)(1,0)(1,0)	$\chi_3 = \chi_2 = \chi_1 = 4$					
$(D7)_2$	8	(0,1)(1,0)(0,-1)						

Table 9: D-brane configurations and intersection numbers for *Model* –  $T_1 - 3$ .

<i>Model</i> – $T_1 - 3$		$[U(4)_C \times U(2)_L \times Sp(4)_R]_{Observable} \times [Sp(4)]_{Hidden}$						
j	$N$	$(n^1, m^1)(n^2, m^2)(n^3, m^3)$	$n_{\square\square}$	$n_{\square\blacksquare}$	$b$	$b'$	$c$	
<i>a</i>	8	(-1,-1)(2,1)(2,1)	-2	-30	3	-5	-4	
<i>b</i>	4	(1,0)(3,1)(1,-1)	4	-4	-	-	0	
<i>c</i>	4	(1,0)(0,1)(0,-1)	0	0	-	-	-	
<i>D3</i>	8	(1,0)(1,0)(1,0)	$3\chi_3 = \chi_2, \frac{12}{\chi_2^2} + \frac{8}{\chi_1\chi_2} = 1$					

## Phenomenology:

(models descendants of Pati-Salam Models)

w/P. Langacker, T. Li & T. Liu, to appear

### (a) Yukawa Couplings:

-Pati-Salam model w/ minimal (MSSM) Higgs sector not viable;  
For the specific construction-mass only for the 3<sup>rd</sup> family.

-Models w/ non-minimal Higgs sector better. However, Yukawa couplings  
symmetric-a handful of models w/ masses and mixings for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> family.

-Modification of Yukawa couplings due to fluxes (backreaction)

w/S. Abel, work in progress

### (b) Exotics:

-models possess chiral exotics due to SM branes intersecting w/ "hidden"  
sector ones - **problem**

-new chiral flux constructions w/ mainly right chiral exotics & Yukawa  
couplings to SM Higgs sector ( $M \sim \text{TeV}$ ) –but SM precision constraints

### (c) $U(1)_{B-L}$ breaking:

-VEV of right sneutrino-problematic because of R-parity breaking

- $U(1)_{B-L}$  breaking by exotic sneutrinos- but SM precision constraints

# I. Moduli Stabilization:

- (a) Toroidal **complex structure moduli**  $U_i$  - fixed by fluxes.
  - (b) In some cases all toroidal **Kähler moduli**  $T_i$  - fixed by SUSY
- OR

Examples of Kähler moduli fixed by **SUSY & a hidden sector**, w/ negative  $\beta$  **function**, resulting in gaugino condensation w/ **non-perturbative superpotential**:

$$W_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\beta \Lambda^3}{32e\pi^2} \exp\left(\frac{8\pi^2}{\beta} f(\mathbf{T}_i)\right) + W_o$$

function of Kähler moduli      flux contrib.(fixed complex structure moduli)

All toroidal Kähler moduli stabilized & SUSY restored      (à la KKLT)

- (c) **D-brane splitting moduli**-massive due to flux backreaction ("curse" lifted)

[However, twisted closed sector moduli not stabilised;  
D-brane recombination moduli-could form flat directions w/Kähler moduli -  
**problem!** ]

## Flux SM's with Confining Hidden Sector that stabilizes the left-over Kähler modulus

$Model - F_1 - 5$		$[U(4)_C \times Sp(8)_L \times U(2)_R]_{Observable} \times [Sp(4) \times Sp(4)]_{Hidden}$						
$j$	$N$	$(n^1, m^1)(n^2, m^2)(n^3, m^3)$	$n_{\square\square}$	$n_{\begin{smallmatrix} \square \\ \square \end{smallmatrix}}$	$b$	$c$	$c'$	
$a$	8	$(1, 0)(1, 1)(1, -1)$	0	0	-1	6	-4	
$b$	8	$(0, 1)(0, -1)(1, 0)$	0	0	-	3	-	
$c$	4	$(-1, -1)(3, 1)(2, 1)$	-4	-44	-	-	-	
$(D7)_1$	4	$(1, 0)(0, 1)(0, -1)$	$\chi_2 = \chi_3, \frac{6}{\chi_2^2} + \frac{5}{\chi_1\chi_3} = 1$					
$(D7)_2$	4	$(0, 1)(1, 0)(0, -1)$	$\beta_{(D7)_1}^g = -3(0), \beta_{(D7)_2}^g = -5(-2)$					

**Sector w/negative beta functions & Kähler moduli dependent gauge functions**



# Analysis of soft SUSY breaking mass terms

(a) **Fluxes** (and/or hidden sector strong dynamics) **break supersymmetry**.

Employing full Yukawa Coupling/Kähler potential calculations

w/Papadimitriou'03, Lust, Mayr, Richter&Stieberger'04; Cremades, Ibanez&Marchesano'04

(b) Determine **soft supersymmetry breaking mass parameters** in terms of F- (and D-) supersymmetry breaking parameters in the closed moduli sector  
Camara, Ibanez&Uranga, hep-th/0408064; Lust, Reffert&Stieberger, hep-th/0410074;  
Kane, Kumar, Lykken&Wang, hep-th/0411125; Ibanez&Font, hep-th/0412150 . . . .

(i) For all specific constructions (descendants of Pati-Salam models) & **SUSY breaking due to fluxes soft mass terms- degenerate among different family species** in the right and left sector & among Leptons and Quarks.  
(The soft mass terms are governed by the intersection angles, and are the same for different family species in the right and left sector.)

**Problematic for generating fermion masses and mixings at the loop level**

(ii) **SUSY breaking due to hidden sector strong dynamics-gaugino condens.**

**Can lift soft mass degeneracy/implications for fermion masses**

**work in progress w/S. Abel**

# Summary/Outlook

- (a) Major progress: techniques for consistent SM constructions on orientifolds w/intersecting D6-branes&fluxes
- (b) Sizable number of semi-realistic models (on the order of 20 classes) w/moduli stabilised; systematic searches
- (c) Models not fully realistic: typically some exotic matter, couplings not fully realistic, toroidal moduli stabilized

**FULLY REALISTIC CONSTRUCTIONS**  
particle spectrum, interactions & all moduli stabilized ?

**NOT THERE YET, BUT GETTING BETTER AT IT**

