

# MODULI STABILIZATION, THRESHOLDS & OBLIQUE MAGNETIC FLUXES

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## Plan, Motivations & conclusions:

- Moduli stabilization problem in string compactifications: a new <sup>calculable!</sup> tool
- Type I strings on "magnetized tori": parallel vs oblique fluxes
- Moduli stabilization (NS-NS & RR sectors)
- Gauge couplings and thresholds
- Open problems:
  - More realistic models (eg.  $T^6/\Gamma$ , Gepner, ...)
  - Open/closed string mixing (Wilson line model)
  - Yukawa couplings (non-abelian twist correlators)
  - Large Extra dimensions, susy breaking  
(combination with other fluxes/gaugings)
  - Subtle Freed-Witten anomalies!

MAGNETIZED  $\mathbb{T}^2$ :  $R = \frac{1-F}{1+F} \in \underline{\underline{SO(2)}}$

Only "parallel" fluxes  $Z = X^1 + iX^2$

$$\partial_- Z|_a = \underbrace{e^{2i\beta_a}}_{R_\epsilon} \partial_+ Z|_a \quad \beta_a = \arctan(q_a f_a)$$

$$F^a = F_{12}^a dx^1 dx^2 = \frac{i}{2} f_a dz d\bar{z} \quad n \rightarrow n + \epsilon_{ab}$$

mode shift

Dirac quantization

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Sigma_2 = \mathbb{T}^2} F^a = m^a \Leftrightarrow f_a = \frac{m_a}{n_a} \frac{\alpha^1}{r_1 r_2}$$

$m_a$ : magnetic number  $n_a$ : wrapping number

$$W_{(a)a}^i = \frac{\partial X^i}{\partial \alpha_{(a)}^a} \quad n_a = \det(W_a) \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$m_a \in \mathbb{Z} + B \cdot n_a$   $\Omega$ : quantized B

Magnetic shifts  $\rightarrow$  tachyons / no susy

$$M^2 \cong M_0^2 + (2n+1)|qF| + 2S qF + \dots \text{Bachas}$$

Degeneracy of Landau level, Dirac index

$$\begin{aligned} I_{ab} &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Sigma_2} (q_a F_a + q_b F_b) = C_1(\mathcal{E}_a^{q_a} \otimes \mathcal{E}_b^{q_b}) \\ &= \frac{W_a W_b}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} (q_a F_a + q_b F_b) = q_a m_a n_b - q_b m_b n_a \end{aligned}$$

# MAGNETIZED $T^3$ : OBLIQUE FLUXES

3 independent components

$$\vec{f} = (F_{yz}, F_{zx}, F_{xy}) \leftrightarrow F_{ij} = \epsilon_{ijk} f^k$$

At least one "unmagnetized" direction

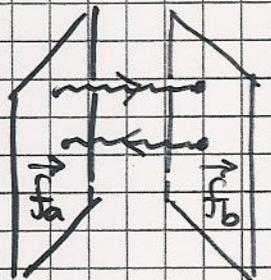
$$R \vec{u} = \vec{u} \quad R^\perp \vec{v}_\pm = e^{\pm 2i\beta} \vec{v}_\pm$$

$$\beta = q \arctan(|\vec{f}|) \quad q = \pm 1 (\Omega)$$

Neutral, singly/doubly charged strings ✓

What about dy-charged strings?

$$\vec{f}_a \neq \lambda \vec{f}_b \leftrightarrow [R_a, R_b] \neq 0$$



Boundary state:  $R_{ab} = R_a^{q_a} \cdot R_b^{q_b}$

$$|B\rangle_a = \exp \left[ \sum_{i,j;n} a_{n,+}^{i,j,t} R_{ij}^{(a)} \tilde{a}_{n,-}^{j,t} \right] |0\rangle$$

$${}_a \langle B | e^{-tH_d} | B \rangle_b \sim \sum_k \text{tr} (R_a R_b^{-1})^k C_k$$

Use spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  representation

$$\begin{aligned} R_{ab} &= R_a^{q_a} R_b^{q_b} = (C_a - i q_a \hat{f}_a \cdot \vec{\sigma} S_a) (C_b - i q_b \hat{f}_b \cdot \vec{\sigma} S_b) \\ &= (C_a C_b - q_a q_b S_a S_b \hat{f}_a \cdot \hat{f}_b) - i (q_a S_a C_b \hat{f}_a + q_b S_b C_a \hat{f}_b + \underbrace{\cos(\beta_{ab})}_{\rightarrow} + q_a q_b S_a S_b \hat{f}_a \times \hat{f}_b) \end{aligned}$$

# MAGNETIZED T4

Use  $SO(4) \sim SU(2) \times SU(2)$  decomposition:

$$F = F^+ + F^- = \frac{1}{2} (f_+^r \eta_{ij}^r + f_-^r \bar{\eta}_{ij}^r) dx^i dx^j$$

$$R(F) = \frac{1-F}{1+F} = R_+ R_- = R_- R_+$$

where

$$R_{\pm} = \frac{1 \mp |f_+|^2 \pm |f_-|^2 - 2F^{\pm}}{\sqrt{1 + 2(|f_+|^2 + |f_-|^2) + (|f_+|^2 - |f_-|^2)^2}}$$

$$\tan(2\beta_{\pm}) = \frac{2|f_{\pm}|}{1 \mp |f_+|^2 \pm |f_-|^2}$$

Non abelian composition rule as before

$$\vec{\sigma} \leftrightarrow \vec{\Sigma} = i\vec{\eta} \quad / \quad \vec{\Sigma}^* = i\vec{\eta}^*$$

Magnetic shifts:

- bosons (internal vectors):  $\pm \beta_{ab}^L \pm \beta_{ab}^R$
- fermions:  $(\frac{1}{2}10) \rightarrow \pm \beta_{ab}^L$      $(0\frac{1}{2}) \rightarrow \pm \beta_{ab}^R$

Supersymmetry / BPS condition

$$\forall a: \beta_L^a = 0 \quad (F_+^a = 0) \quad \text{or} \quad \forall a \beta_R^a = 0 \quad (F_-^a = 0)$$

NB: no "unmagnetized" directions generically

# SCALAR POTENTIAL

$$V_D(\phi, \omega, \hat{G}) = \tau_D e^{-\phi} \sum_a |\hat{N}_a| W_a \sqrt{\omega^2 + \omega C_1^2(F_a) + C_2^2(F_a)}$$

overall volume  $\omega = \sqrt{G}$ ,  $G_{ij} = \omega^{\frac{3}{2}} \hat{G}_{ij}$

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$$C_1^2(F_a) = \frac{1}{2} \hat{G}^{ij} \hat{G}^{kl} F_{ik}^a F_{jl}^a$$

$$C_2^2(F_a) = \frac{1}{8} (\epsilon^{ijkl} F_{ij}^a F_{kl}^a)^2$$

Different behaviors for  $C_1^2 \gtrless 2|C_2|$

susy:  $C_1^2(F_a) = 2|C_2(F_a)| \quad \forall a$

$$\rightarrow V_D = \tau_D e^{-\phi} \sum_a \hat{N}_a W_a (\omega + |C_2^{(a)}|)$$

bound-state at threshold!

$\Omega$ -plane, tadpole cancellation

Minimize  $V_{C_2^{(a)}}(\phi, \hat{G})$  fixed, susy:  $J \wedge F^a = \Omega \wedge F^a = 0$

Fix all the moduli: except  $\phi, \omega, C_{IJ}, C_{I\bar{J}}$

Marino Moore Minasian Strominger

Non linear instantons

Rabadan, Marchesano, Shiu, ...

$$\sqrt{\det(\mathbb{1} + X)} = \sqrt{(1+h_1^2)(1+h_2^2)} = \sqrt{(1 \pm h_1 h_2)^2 + (h_1 \mp h_2)^2}$$

$h_1 = \pm h_2$  "linear" (a.s.d.)  $h_1 = \pm \frac{1}{h_2}$  non linear

# MAGNETIZED T<sup>6</sup> (AT LAST!)

A priori 15 components

$$F_{ij} : 3 F_{[123]}^{(2,0)} \quad 9 F_{[12]}^{(0,1)} \quad 3 F_{[15]}^{(0,2)}$$

$$R = \frac{1-F}{1+F} \in SO(6) \quad \text{in general}$$

Restrict to susy configurations

- $F^{(2,0)} = 0$  Holomorphic bundle

- $F^a \wedge F^a \wedge F^a = 3 \underbrace{JAJAF^a}_{1\text{-loop in heterotic (Honecker...)}}$  stability

Then  $R = U_3 \oplus U_3^* \in SU(3) \quad \det U_3 = 1$

$$U_3 = \frac{\mathbb{1} - iH}{\mathbb{1} + iH} \quad H = h_0 \mathbb{1} + h_r \lambda^r = h_0 \mathbb{1} + \hat{H}$$

Gell Mann matrices  $\lambda_r^+ = \lambda_r \quad \text{tr} \lambda^r \lambda^s = 3 \delta^{rs}$

$$\lambda^r \lambda^s = \delta^{rs} \mathbb{1} + (if^{[rst]} + d^{rst}) \lambda^t$$

$$\rho_k^U = e^{2i\beta_k} = \frac{1 - i h_0 - i \mu_k}{1 + i h_0 + i \mu_k} \quad \mu^3 - \frac{3}{2} |h|^2 \mu = d h h h$$

$$\mu_k^{\hat{H}} = \frac{e^{2\pi i k/3}}{\sqrt[3]{2}} \sqrt[3]{d h h h + i \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} |h|^6 - (d h h h)^2}} + \text{c.c.} \in \mathbb{R}$$

NB  $|h|^6 \geq 2 (d h h h)^2 \quad |h|^6 \equiv \left( \sum_r h_r h_r \right)^3$

# DY-CHARGED STRINGS

$$R_{ab} = R_a^{q_a} R_b^{q_b} = \left( \frac{1 - i q_a h_a}{1 + i q_a h_a} \right) \left( \frac{1 - i q_b h_b}{1 + i q_b h_b} \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{1 - i q_a h_a^0}{1 + i q_a h_a^0} \right) \left( \frac{1 - i q_b h_b^0}{1 + i q_b h_b^0} \right) M_a^+ M_a^{-1} M_b^{-1} M_b^+ M_a^+ M_a^{-1}$$

$$M_a = 1 + i q_a \hat{h}_a \lambda \quad \hat{h}_a = \frac{h_a}{1 - i q_a h_a^0} \in \mathbb{C}$$

SU(3) composition rule

$$\hat{h}_{ab}^r = \frac{q_a \hat{h}_a^r + q_b \hat{h}_b^r + (f_{st}^r - i d_{st}^r) \hat{h}_a^s \hat{h}_b^t q_a q_b}{1 + q_a q_b \hat{h}_a \cdot \hat{h}_b} \rightarrow \hat{h}_{ab}^r$$

$$\rho_{ab}^{(k)} = e^{2i\beta_{ab}^{(k)}} =$$

$$= \frac{(1 - i q_a h_a^0)(1 - i q_b h_b^0) \left[ |1 + q_a q_b \hat{h}_a \cdot \hat{h}_b|^2 + i (1 + q_a q_b \hat{h}_a \cdot \hat{h}_b) M_a^+ M_b^+ \right]}{(1 + i q_a h_a^0)(1 + i q_b h_b^0) \left[ |1 + q_a q_b \hat{h}_a \cdot \hat{h}_b|^2 - i (1 + q_a q_b \hat{h}_a \cdot \hat{h}_b) M_a^+ M_b^+ \right]}$$

Multiplicities

$$I_{ab} = - \frac{1}{3! (2\pi)^3} \int_{\Sigma_6} (q_a F_a + q_b F_b)^3 = C_{3,ab}$$

$$= - \frac{W_a W_b}{3! (2\pi)^3} \int_{T_6} (q_a F_a + q_b F_b)^3$$

$$= \pi_i (q_a m_a^i n_b^i + q_b m_b^i n_a^i)$$

$T_6 \cong T^2 \times T^2 \times T^2$  + "parallel" fluxes

# SCALAR POTENTIAL (FOR $\langle \varphi_{op} \rangle = 0!$ )

In  $d=6$   $H_{\hat{a}\hat{b}}^a = E_{\hat{a}}^i E_{\hat{b}}^j F_{ij}^a$  (frame components)

$$\frac{\sqrt{\det(G_a + H_a)}}{\sqrt{\det(G_a)}} = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} H_a^2 + \frac{1}{4} (\text{tr} H_a^2)^2 - \frac{1}{4} \text{tr} H_a^4 - \frac{1}{6} \text{tr}(H_a^6) + \frac{1}{8} \text{tr}(H_a^2) \text{tr}(H_a^4) - \frac{1}{48} [\text{tr}(H_a^2)]^3$$

$$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\frac{1}{8(3!)^2} (\epsilon H_a H_a H_a)^2}$$

Skew diagonalizing  $H_a$ :

$$\sqrt{\det(1 + H_a)} = \sqrt{\prod_i (1 + h_i^2)} = \sqrt{(1 - h_1 h_2 - h_2 h_3 - h_3 h_1)^2 + (h_1 h_2 h_3 - h_1 h_2 h_3)}$$

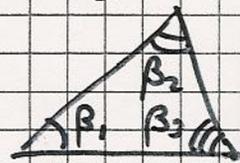
Marchesano, Shiu, A-M, Dudas, Tsimpogiannou NEGATIVE INDUCED TENSIONS!  
RR CHARGES

- For holomorphic branes  $F_{(2)}^a = 0 \neq a$

$$\rightarrow \frac{|W|}{3!} \sqrt{(\int J \wedge J \wedge J - 3 \int F_1^a F_2^a F_3^a)^2 + (\int F_1^a F_2^a F_3^a - 3 \int J \wedge J \wedge F_3^a)^2}$$

Susy  $h_1^a h_2^a h_3^a = h_1^a + h_2^a + h_3^a$   $h_i = \tan \beta_i$

Super-magnetic triangle



- Susy preserving moduli stabilization

$$dz^{\hat{I}} = dx^{\hat{I}} + \tau^{\hat{I}}_J dy^{\hat{J}}: F_{20}^a = 0 \leftrightarrow \tau^{\hat{I}}_J f_{xx} \tau^{\hat{I}}_K - \tau^{\hat{I}}_K f_{xy} - f_{xy} \tau^{\hat{I}}_J = 0$$

Need 6 stacks of branes  $\rightarrow$  e.g.  $\tau^{\hat{I}}_J = i \delta^{\hat{I}}_J$

$$F_1^a F_2^a F_3^a = 3 J \wedge J \wedge F_3^a \quad \text{fix Kähler class } J$$

Need 3 more stacks Antoniadis, Maillard

## ANTONIADIS - MAILLARD MODEL

Stacks	magnetic and wrapping numbers	magnetic fields
$N_0 = 3$	$(m_{ij}, n_{ij}) = (0, 1)$	$H_{ij} = 0$
$N_1 = 1$	$(m_{x_1y_2}, n_{x_1y_2}) = (1, -1)$ $(m_{x_2y_1}, n_{x_2y_1}) = (1, -1)$ $(m_{x_3y_3}, n_{x_3y_3}) = (0, -1)$	$H_{x_1y_2} = -\sqrt{2}$ $H_{x_2y_1} = -\sqrt{2}$ $H_{x_3y_3} = 0$
$N_2 = 1$	$(m_{x_1y_3}, n_{x_1y_3}) = (1, -1)$ $(m_{x_3y_1}, n_{x_3y_1}) = (1, -1)$ $(m_{x_2y_2}, n_{x_2y_2}) = (0, -1)$	$H_{x_1y_3} = -2$ $H_{x_3y_1} = -2$ $H_{x_2y_2} = 0$
$N_3 = 1$	$(m_{x_1x_2}, n_{x_1x_2}) = (1, -1)$ $(m_{y_1y_2}, n_{y_1y_2}) = (1, -1)$ $(m_{x_3y_3}, n_{x_3y_3}) = (0, -1)$	$H_{x_1x_2} = -\sqrt{2}$ $H_{y_1y_2} = -\sqrt{2}$ $H_{x_3y_3} = 0$
$N_4 = 2$	$(m_{x_1y_1}, n_{x_1y_1}) = (0, -1)$ $(m_{x_2x_3}, n_{x_2x_3}) = (1, -1)$ $(m_{y_2y_3}, n_{y_2y_3}) = (1, -1)$	$H_{x_1y_1} = 0$ $H_{x_2x_3} = -1$ $H_{y_2y_3} = -1$
$N_5 = 1$	$(m_{x_1x_3}, n_{x_1x_3}) = (1, -1)$ $(m_{x_2y_2}, n_{x_2y_2}) = (0, -1)$ $(m_{y_1y_3}, n_{y_1y_3}) = (1, -1)$	$H_{x_1x_3} = -2$ $H_{x_2y_2} = 0$ $H_{y_1y_3} = -2$
$N_6 = 2$	$(m_{x_1y_1}, n_{x_1y_1}) = (0, -1)$ $(m_{x_2y_3}, n_{x_2y_3}) = (1, -1)$ $(m_{x_3y_2}, n_{x_3y_2}) = (1, -1)$	$H_{x_1y_1} = 0$ $H_{x_2y_3} = -1$ $H_{x_3y_2} = -1$
$N_7 = 2$	$(m_{x_1y_1}, n_{x_1y_1}) = (-2, 1)$ $(m_{x_2y_2}, n_{x_2y_2}) = (0, 1)$ $(m_{x_3y_3}, n_{x_3y_3}) = (1, 1)$	$H_{x_1y_1} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ $H_{x_2y_2} = 0$ $H_{x_3y_3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
$N_8 = 2$	$(m_{x_1y_1}, n_{x_1y_1}) = (-1, 1)$ $(m_{x_2y_2}, n_{x_2y_2}) = (1, 1)$ $(m_{x_3y_3}, n_{x_3y_3}) = (-1, 1)$	$H_{x_1y_1} = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$ $H_{x_2y_2} = \sqrt{2}$ $H_{x_3y_3} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
$N_9 = 1$	$(m_{x_1y_1}, n_{x_1y_1}) = (0, 1)$ $(m_{x_2y_2}, n_{x_2y_2}) = (-1, 1)$ $(m_{x_3y_3}, n_{x_3y_3}) = (2, 1)$	$H_{x_1y_1} = 0$ $H_{x_2y_2} = -\sqrt{2}$ $H_{x_3y_3} = \sqrt{2}$

sectors	eigenvalues	unmagnetized directions
$U_4^{q_a} U_1^{q_b}$	$\rho = 1$ and $\rho^\pm = (-2 \pm i\sqrt{5})/3$	$(-\frac{iq_a q_b}{\sqrt{2}}, q_a, 1)$
$U_4^{q_a} U_3^{q_b}$	$\rho = 1$ and $\rho^\pm = (-2 \pm i\sqrt{5})/3$	$(\frac{q_a q_b}{\sqrt{2}}, q_a, 1)$
$U_6^{q_a} U_1^{q_b}$	$\rho = 1$ and $\rho^\pm = (-2 \pm i\sqrt{5})/3$	$(-\frac{q_a q_b}{\sqrt{2}}, -iq_a, 1)$
$U_6^{q_a} U_3^{q_b}$	$\rho = 1$ and $\rho^\pm = (-2 \pm i\sqrt{5})/3$	$(-\frac{iq_a q_b}{\sqrt{2}}, -q_a, 1)$
$U_2^{q_a} U_4^{q_b}$	$\rho = 1$ and $\rho^\pm = (-4 \pm i3)/5$	$(\frac{iq_a}{2}, q_b, 1)$
$U_2^{q_a} U_6^{q_b}$	$\rho = 1$ and $\rho^\pm = (-4 \pm i3)/5$	$(\frac{iq_a}{2}, -iq_b, 1)$
$U_5^{q_a} U_4^{q_b}$	$\rho = 1$ and $\rho^\pm = (-4 \pm i3)/5$	$(-\frac{q_a}{2}, q_b, 1)$
$U_5^{q_a} U_6^{q_b}$	$\rho = 1$ and $\rho^\pm = (-4 \pm i3)/5$	$(-\frac{q_a}{2}, -iq_b, 1)$
$U_1^{q_a} U_2^{q_b}$	$\rho = 1$ and $\rho^\pm = (-13 \pm i\sqrt{56})/15$	$(2iq_b, -\sqrt{2}q_a q_b, 1)$
$U_1^{q_a} U_5^{q_b}$	$\rho = 1$ and $\rho^\pm = (-13 \pm i\sqrt{56})/15$	$(-2q_b, -i\sqrt{2}q_a q_b, 1)$
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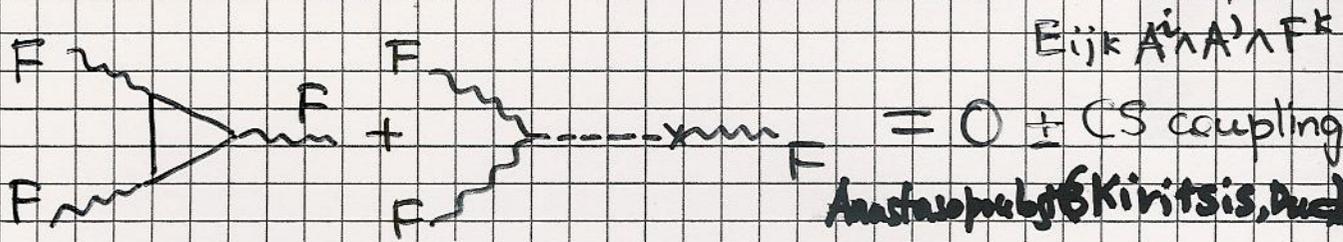
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$U_1^{q_a} U_3^{q_b}$	$\rho = 1$ and $\rho^\pm = \frac{1}{9}(1 \pm 4i\sqrt{5})$	$(0, 0, 1)$
$U_2^{q_a} U_5^{q_b}$	$\rho = 1$ and $\rho^\pm = \frac{1}{25}(9 \pm 4i\sqrt{34})$	$(0, 1, 0)$
$U_4^{q_a} U_6^{q_b}$	$\rho = 1$ and $\rho^\pm = \pm i$	$(1, 0, 0)$
$U_7^{q_a} U_8^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = -(-7 + 16q_a q_b + 2\sqrt{2}i(2q_b + 7q_a))/27$ $\rho_2 = -(1 - 2i\sqrt{2}q_b)/3$ $\rho_3 = (1 + 8q_a q_b + 2\sqrt{2}i(q_a - q_b))/9$	for $q_a \neq q_b$ no unmagnetized directions $(0, 0, 1)$ for $q_a = q_b$
$U_7^{q_a} U_9^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = -\frac{1}{3}(1 + 2i\sqrt{2}q_b)$ $\rho_2 = -(1 + 8q_a q_b + 2\sqrt{2}i(q_a - q_b))/9$ $\rho_3 = \frac{1}{3}(1 - 2i\sqrt{2}q_a)$	no unmagnetized directions
$U_8^{q_a} U_9^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = \frac{1}{9}(7 - 4i\sqrt{2}q_a)$ $\rho_2 = (1 + 8q_a q_b - 2\sqrt{2}i(q_a - q_b))/9$ $\rho_3 = (-1 + 8q_a q_b + 2\sqrt{2}i(q_a + q_b))/9$	for $q_a \neq q_b$ no unmagnetized directions $(0, 1, 0)$ for $q_a = q_b$

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$U_7^{q_a} U_1^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = \frac{1}{3}(1 + 2i\sqrt{2q_a})$ $\rho_{2,3} = \frac{1}{9}(-2 + i\sqrt{2q_a} \pm 5\sqrt{(-1 + 2i\sqrt{2q_a})})$	no unmagnetized directions
$U_7^{q_a} U_2^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = 1$ and $\rho_{2,3} = \frac{1}{15}(-3 \pm 6i\sqrt{6})$	(0,1,0)
$U_7^{q_a} U_3^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = \frac{1}{3}(1 + 2i\sqrt{2q_a})$ $\rho_{2,3} = \frac{1}{9}(-2 + i\sqrt{2q_a} \pm 5\sqrt{(-1 + 2i\sqrt{2q_a})})$	no unmagnetized directions
$U_7^{q_a} U_4^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = \frac{1}{3}(1 - 2i\sqrt{2q_a})$ $\rho_{2,3} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{-1-2i\sqrt{2q_a}}}{\sqrt{3}}$	no unmagnetized directions
$U_7^{q_a} U_5^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = 1$ , $\rho_{2,3} = \frac{1}{15}(-3 \pm 6i\sqrt{6})$	(0,1,0)
$U_7^{q_a} U_6^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = \frac{1}{3}(1 - 2i\sqrt{2q_a})$ $\rho_{2,3} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{-1-2i\sqrt{2q_a}}}{\sqrt{3}}$	no unmagnetized directions
$U_8^{q_a} U_1^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = \frac{1-2i\sqrt{2q_a}}{3}$ $\rho_{2,3} = \frac{1}{27}(-2 - i\sqrt{2q_a} \pm \sqrt{(-241 - 482i\sqrt{2q_a})})$	no unmagnetized directions
$U_8^{q_a} U_2^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = -\frac{1-2i\sqrt{2q_a}}{3}$ $\rho_{2,3} = \frac{1}{3}(-1 + i\sqrt{2q_a} \pm \sqrt{(2 + 4i\sqrt{2q_a})})$	no unmagnetized directions
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$U_8^{q_a} U_4^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = \frac{1}{9}(7 - 4i\sqrt{2q_a})$ $\rho_{2,3} = \pm \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{(-7 - 4i\sqrt{2})}$	no unmagnetized directions
$U_8^{q_a} U_5^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = -\frac{1}{3}(1 - 2\sqrt{2iq_a})$ $\rho_{2,3} = \frac{1}{3}(-1 + i\sqrt{2} \pm \sqrt{2 + i4\sqrt{2q_a}})$	no unmagnetized directions
$U_8^{q_a} U_6^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = \frac{1}{9}(7 - 4i\sqrt{2iq_a})$ $\rho_{2,3} = \pm \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{(-7 - 4i\sqrt{2iq_a})}$	no unmagnetized directions
$U_9^{q_a} U_1^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = -\frac{1}{3}(1 - 2\sqrt{2iq_a})$ $\rho_{2,3} = \frac{1}{9}(-1 + i\sqrt{2q_a} \pm \sqrt{26}\sqrt{(1 + 2\sqrt{2iq_a})})$	no unmagnetized directions
$U_9^{q_a} U_2^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = -\frac{1}{3}(1 + 2\sqrt{2iq_a})$ $\rho_{2,3} = \frac{1}{15}(-3 - 3\sqrt{2iq_a} \pm \sqrt{6}\sqrt{(11 - 22i\sqrt{2q_a})})$	no unmagnetized directions
$U_9^{q_a} U_3^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = -\frac{1}{3}(1 - 2\sqrt{2iq_a})$ $\rho_{2,3} = \frac{1}{9}(-1 + i\sqrt{2q_a} \pm \sqrt{26}\sqrt{(1 + 3\sqrt{2iq_a})})$	no unmagnetized directions
$U_9^{q_a} U_4^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = 1$ , $\rho_{2,3} = \pm i$	(1,0,0)
$U_9^{q_a} U_5^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = -\frac{1}{3}(1 + 2\sqrt{2iq_a})$ $\rho_{2,3} = \frac{1}{15}(-3 - 3\sqrt{2iq_a} \pm \sqrt{6}\sqrt{(11 - 22i\sqrt{2q_a})})$	no unmagnetized directions
$U_9^{q_a} U_6^{q_b}$	$\rho_1 = 1$ , $\rho_{2,3} = \pm i$	(1,0,0)

# R-R MODULI "Petite Bouffe"

$C_{IJ}$  (g) eaten by anomalous  $U(1)$ 's

Generalized GSS mechanism



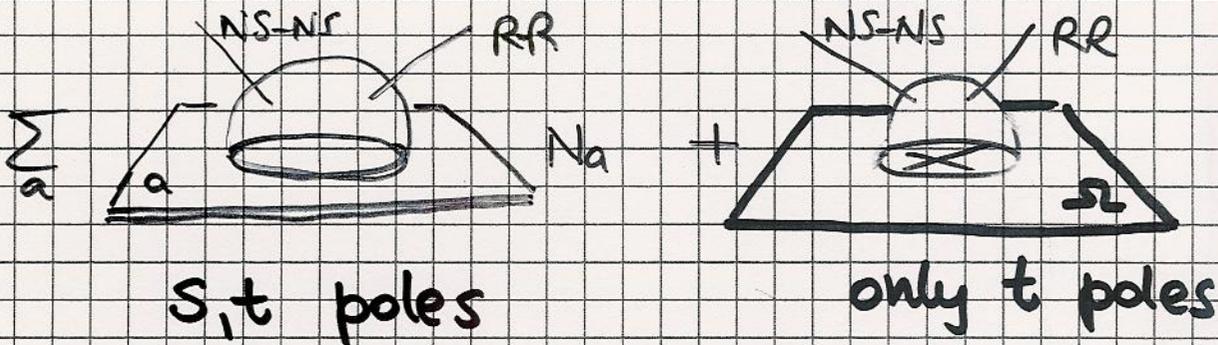
$$C_{IJ} \leftrightarrow \tilde{C}_{MNP, KLMN} \quad \mathcal{L}_{W_2} = (C_0 F \wedge F + \tilde{C}_2 \wedge F)$$

$C_{IJ}/C_{IJ}$  (3+3) complex structure

non derivative mixing with  $\delta G_{IJ}, \delta G_{IJ}$

•  $H_3 = dG_2 + e^{-\phi} \omega_3 \quad dG_2 \wedge * \omega_3 e^{-\phi} \sim G_2 \wedge d(*\omega_3)$

• Alternatively, 2-pt amplitude



$s = p_1 D p_1$  (open)

$t = (p_1 + p_2)^2$  (closed)

• t poles cancel (tadpole cancellation)

• s pole open/closed mixing

• remnant: non derivative mixing for  $F \neq 0$ !

# GAUGE COUPLINGS

- Tree level Blumenhagen, Görtlich, Stieberger, ...

$$\frac{1}{g_a^2} = |W| e^{-\phi} \sqrt{\det(G + F_a)}$$

à la Bachas, Fabre; Antoniadis, Bachas Dudas

- one-loop running and thresholds:

Character valued partition function

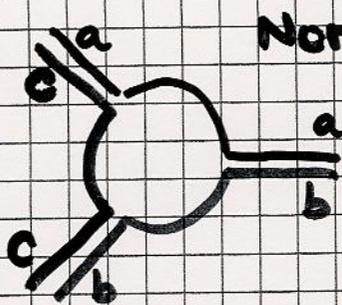
$$K(0) \sum_{\alpha} C_{\alpha} \frac{\Theta_{\alpha}^4(0)}{\eta^{12}} \rightarrow K(E) \sum_{\alpha} C_{\alpha} \prod_{i=1}^4 \frac{\Theta_{\alpha}(E_{ab}^i \tau)}{\Theta_1(E_{ab}^i \tau)}$$

↑ zero mode contributions

$E_{ab}^{spt.}$  small and arbitrary ( $M_4$  non compact)

$E_{ab}^{int}$  "quantized" (← mode shift, ...)

- Yukawa couplings & triangle:



Non-abelian!

Twist field correlator:

$$E_{ab}^{(i)} E_{bc}^{(i)} E_{ca}^{(i)} = E_{ab}^{(i)} + E_{bc}^{(i)} + E_{ca}^{(i)}$$

mass hierarchy?

- T-dual to intersecting branes with fluxes

Ibanez, Uranga, Marchesano, Shiu, Cvetič, Langacker, Papadimitriou

Antoniadis, Kiritsis, Tomaras; Blumenhagen, Görtlich, Lüst, ...

# PARTITION FUNCTION

4 contributions

$$\mathcal{Z} + K = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}_d (1 + \Omega) q^H \bar{q}^{\tilde{H}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{unoriented} \\ \text{closed string} \\ \text{or unaffected} \end{array}$$

$$A + M = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}_{\text{op}} (1 + \Omega) q^{H_{\text{op}}} \rightarrow A(F) + M(F)$$

Annulus  $\tau_A = it/2$  (up to  $\int \frac{dt}{t}$ )

• neutral:  $A_{00} = \frac{1}{2} N_0^2 \frac{V_x}{t^2} \Lambda_{00}^{KK}(\tau_A) Q(\tau_A)$

$N=4$   $Q(\xi^z | \tau) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha\beta} e^{2\pi i(\alpha+\beta)} \frac{\theta[\alpha]}{\eta^3} \prod_{I=1}^3 \frac{\theta[\alpha](\xi^I)}{\theta_1(\xi^I)}$

• dipole:  $A_{a\bar{a}} = N_a \bar{N}_a \frac{V_x}{t^2} \Lambda_{a\bar{a}} Q(\tau_A)$

$\Lambda_{a\bar{a}}$ : generalized (k,k) momenta  $P_L = R_a P_R$

• singly charged

$[N=1]$   $A_{0a} = N_0 N_a \frac{V_x}{t^2} I_{0a} Q(\epsilon_{0a}^J \tau_A / \tau_A) \prod_{I \neq 0} \epsilon_I \neq 0$

$[N=2]$   $A_{0a} = N_0 N_a \frac{V_x}{t^2} I_{0a}^{\perp} \Lambda_{0a}^u Q(\epsilon_{0a}^{J+u} \tau_A / \tau_A) \epsilon_u = 0$

$u$  = unmagnetized direction(s)  $R_a u = u$

$$I_{0a} = C_3(\epsilon_a^0) \quad I_{0a}^{\perp} = C_2^{\perp}(\epsilon_a^0)$$

• doubly charged strings

$$A_{aa}^{[N=1]} = \frac{1}{2} N_a^2 2^3 I_{0a} Q(2 \epsilon_{0a}^I \tau_A | \tau_A) \quad (\pi \epsilon \neq 0)$$

$$A_{aa}^{[N=2]} = \frac{1}{2} N_a^2 2^2 I_{0a}^\perp \Lambda_{0a} Q(2 \epsilon_{0a}^I \tau_A | \tau_A) \quad (\epsilon^u \neq 0)$$

Möbius strip projection  $\tau_M = \frac{it}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = \tau_A + \frac{1}{2}$

$$M_{00}^{[N=4]} = -\frac{1}{2} N_0 \Lambda_{00}(\tau_A) \hat{Q}(0 | \tau_M)$$

$$M_{aa}^{[N=1]} = -\frac{1}{2} N_a \hat{I}_{0a} \hat{Q}(\epsilon_{aa}^I \tau_A | \tau_M) \quad (\text{no } \mu\text{'s})$$

$$M_{aa}^{[N=2]} = -\frac{1}{2} N_a \hat{I}_{0a}^\perp \Lambda_{aa}^\perp(\tau_A) \hat{Q}(\epsilon_{aa}^I \tau_A | \tau_M)$$

$$\hat{I}_{0a} = I_{0a} = 2^3 I_{0a}, \quad \hat{I}_{0a}^\perp = I_{0a}^\perp = 2^2 I_{0a}^\perp$$

( $B_{NS-NS} = 0$  for simplicity! No Wilson lines)

dy-charged strings  $R_a R_b \neq R_b R_a$ !

$$A_{ab}^{[N=1]} = I_{ab} N_a N_b Q(\epsilon_{ab}^I \tau_A | \tau_A) \quad (\text{no } \mu\text{'s})$$

$$A_{ab}^{[N=2]} = I_{ab}^\perp N_a N_b \Lambda_{ab}^u Q(\epsilon_{ab}^{I+u} \tau_A | \tau_A)$$

$\Lambda_{ab}^u$ : generalized momenta  $R_a^{q_a} R_b^{q_b} u = u$

$$P_L = R_a^{q_a} P_R$$

$$P_L = R_b^{q_b} P_R$$

$$P_L = R_a^{q_a} R_b^{q_b} P_R$$

[consistent with T-duality]

# TADPOLE CANCELLATION

Transverse / closed string / tree level channel

$$(\tilde{K} + \tilde{A} + \tilde{M})_{m=0} = 0$$

Cai, Polchinski, Itoyama  
MB Pradisi, Sagnotti, ...

RR sector  $\rightarrow$  anomalies

NS-NS sector  $\rightarrow$  instability

- RR sector: up to  $\int_0^{\infty} dl$  (no momentum flow)

$$\tilde{K}_{m=0} = \frac{1}{2} 2^5 \cdot 8_s$$

$$\tilde{A}_{m=0} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{8_s}{2^5} \sum_{\substack{ab \\ q_a q_b}} N_a N_b W_a W_b \prod_I \cos \pi \epsilon_{ab}^I \parallel (1 + q_a t_a)(1 + q_b t_b)$$

$$\tilde{M}_{m=0} = -2 \frac{1}{2} 8_s \sum_{a, q_a} N_a W_a \prod_I \cos \pi \epsilon_{a0}^I \parallel 1 + q_a t_a$$

$$* I_{ab} = V(T^6) W_a W_b \text{Pfaff}(q_a t_a + q_b t_b) =$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{I} \sin(\pi \epsilon_{ab}^I) \frac{1}{V(T^6)} \sqrt{\det(g_a + \beta_a)(g_b + \beta_b)}$$

$$* \frac{\pi}{I} 2 \cos \pi \epsilon_{ab}^I = \frac{2^3 \sqrt{\det(1 + q_a q_b t_a t_b)}}{\sqrt{\det(1 + q_a t_a)(1 + q_b t_b)}} = \text{tr}_S U_a^{q_a} U_b^{q_b}$$

where

$$U^q = A \exp\left(-\frac{q}{2} H_{ij} \Gamma^{ij}\right) / \sqrt{|1 + qH|}$$

$Q_a^{ij} = \frac{1}{8} \epsilon^{ijklmn} H_{ij} H_{mn}$

$$0 = \tilde{A}_{m=0} + \tilde{K}_{m=0} + \tilde{M}_{m=0} = \left(\sum_{a, q_a} N_a W_a - 32\right)^2 + \sum_{ij} \left(\sum_{a, q_a} N_a W_a Q_a^{ij}\right)^2$$

# NS-NS SECTOR:

$$\tilde{R}_{mno} = \frac{1}{2} g^5 \cdot 8v$$

$$\tilde{A}_{mno} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2^5} \sum_{\substack{a,b \\ q_a q_b}} N_a W_a N_b W_b \left[ 2 + \sum_I 2 \cos(2\pi \epsilon_{ab}^I) \right] \\ \cdot \sqrt{\det(1+q_a H_a)} \sqrt{\det(1+q_b H_b)}$$

$$\tilde{M}_{mno} = -2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a, q_a} N_a W_a \sqrt{\det(1+q_a H_a)} \left[ 2 + 2 \sum_I \cos(2\pi \epsilon_{ab}^I) \right]$$

$$* \quad 2 \sum_I \cos(2\pi \epsilon_{ab}^I) = \text{Tr}_V (R_a^{q_a} R_b^{q_b})$$

$$= \text{Tr}_V \left( \frac{1 - q_a H_a}{1 + q_a H_a} \frac{1 - q_b H_b}{1 + q_b H_b} \right)$$

$$\tilde{K}_{mno} + \tilde{A}_{mno} + \tilde{M}_{mno} = \left( \sum_{a, q_a} N_a W_a - 32 \right)^2 + \\ + \sum_{ij} \left( \sum_{a, q_a} N_a W_a \tau_a^{ij} \right)^2 = 0$$

where  $\tau_{ij}^a = E_{\hat{i}}^i E_{\hat{j}}^j \frac{\partial V_a}{\partial G^{ij}}$

$$V_a = \sqrt{\det(G + F_a)}$$

$\tau_{ij}^a = 0 \rightarrow$  moduli stabilization  
(Modulo open/closed string mixing!!)

# T-DUALITY

For a given pair of branes with oblique fluxes there is a T-duality mapping the pair into intersecting branes.

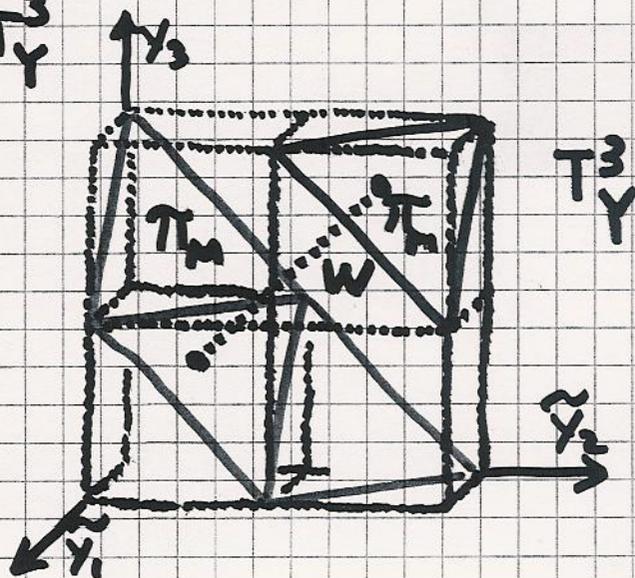
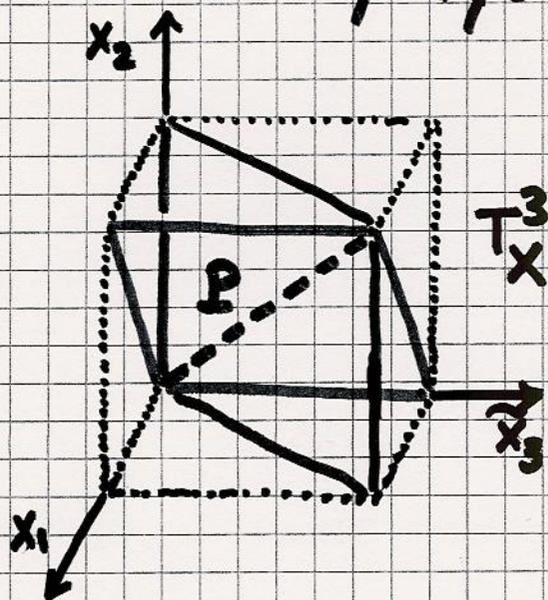
T depends on the choice of a and b so a configuration with many stacks cannot be mapped into a configurations of intersecting branes!

E.g. 4-5 sector of AM model

$$F_5 = -dx^1 \wedge dx^3 - dy^1 \wedge dy^3 \quad F_4 = -dx^2 \wedge dx^3 - dy^2 \wedge dy^3$$

$$T = T_{y^1} T_{y^2} T_{x^3} \rightarrow D6_4, D6_5$$

$$T^6 = T_x^3 \times T_y^3$$



# ONE-LOOP THRESHOLDS

Background field method

Bachas, Fabre, Antonia  
Dudas, .....

$$F_{\mu\nu} = f \delta_{[\mu}^2 \delta_{\nu]}^3 Q$$

$$Q \in \mathbb{C}P$$

$$\text{Tr}(Q) = 0 \quad \text{tr}(Q^2) = \frac{1}{2} \quad (\text{non anomalous!})$$

$$\frac{\Delta\pi}{g^2} = \frac{4\pi^2}{g^2} \Big|_{\text{tree}} + \frac{b_Q}{4\pi} \log \frac{M_S^2}{\mu^2} + \Delta_Q$$

$\Delta_Q$  UV<sub>op</sub> (IR<sub>d</sub>) finite

$N=4$  sectors do not contribute (Kiritsis rev)

$N=2$  sectors  $\rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$  BPS states

$N=1$  sectors also massive oscillator modes!

$$\Delta_Q = \int \frac{dt}{4t} B_Q(t)$$

$$B_Q^A \Big|_{N=1} = \frac{i}{\pi} \sum_{ab} I_{ab} \text{Tr}_{N_a N_b} (Q_a + Q_b)^2 \sum_I \frac{\Theta'_I(\epsilon_{ab}^I t/a)}{\Theta_I(\epsilon_{ab}^I t/a)}$$

(similarly for  $B_Q^{\tilde{A}}$ )

$$B_Q^A \Big|_{N=2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} I_{ab}^{\pm} \text{Tr}_{N_a N_b} (Q_a + Q_b)^2 \Lambda_{ab}^{\pm}(it)$$

# EXPLICIT RESULTS

Relevant integrals (Stieberger, ...)

$$\bullet \int_0^\infty dt \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2 \zeta(2k) \epsilon^k [E_{2k}(i\epsilon) - 1] =$$

$$-\pi \log \left[ \frac{\Gamma(1-\epsilon)}{\Gamma(1+\epsilon)} \right] + 2\pi \epsilon \delta_E \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \text{after } \sum_{\mathbb{I}} \epsilon^{\mathbb{I}} = 0$$

$$\bullet \int_0^\infty \frac{dt}{t} \sum_{k_1, k_2}' e^{-\frac{\pi t}{V_2 U_2} |K_1 + U K_2|^2} = \delta_E - \log(4\pi V_2 U_2 \eta(U))$$

E.g.  $SO(6)_8$  and  $SU(2)_7$  of AM model

$$b_{SO(6)} = 4 \left( 2 \sum_{b \neq 8} |I_{0a}^\perp| N_b + |I_{08}| N_8 \right) \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 60$$

$$b_{SU(2)_7} = \dots = +68$$

All  $\beta$ -functions are positive: vectors  $\in \mathcal{N}=4$ !

$$\Delta_{SO(6)}^{\mathcal{N}=2} = -4 \sum_a N_a I_{0a}^\perp (\log V_a + \rho) \cdot \frac{1}{2} = -39.88$$

$$\Delta_{SO(6)}^{\mathcal{N}=1} = -4 |I_{08}| N_8 \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbb{I}} \log \frac{\Gamma(1-\epsilon_{\mathbb{I}})}{\Gamma(1+\epsilon_{\mathbb{I}})} = 0.07$$

Similarly for  $SU(2)_7$