

Walking through a stable Mini-Landscape

Towards realistic constructions with all moduli stabilized

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Intersecting D-brane models

Blumenhagen, Gmeiner, Honecker, Lüst, Weigand (2005-2008)

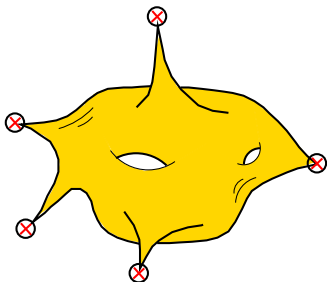
Local F-theory models

Beasley, Heckman, Vafa (2008-2009)

Heterotic CY

Braun, He, Ovrut, Pantev (2005-2009)

Heterotic Orbifolds



Dixon, Harvey, Vafa, Witten (1985-86)

Ibáñez, Nilles, Quevedo (1987)

Font, Ibáñez, Quevedo, Sierra (1990)

Katsuki, Kawamura, Kobayashi, Ohtsubo, Ono, Tanioka (1990)

Kobayashi, Raby, Zhang (2004)

Förste, Nilles, Vaudrevange, Wingerter (2004)

Buchmüller, Hamaguchi, Lebedev, Ratz (2004-06)

Kobayashi, Nilles, Plöger, Raby, Ratz (2006)

Faraggi, Förste, Timirgaziu (2006)

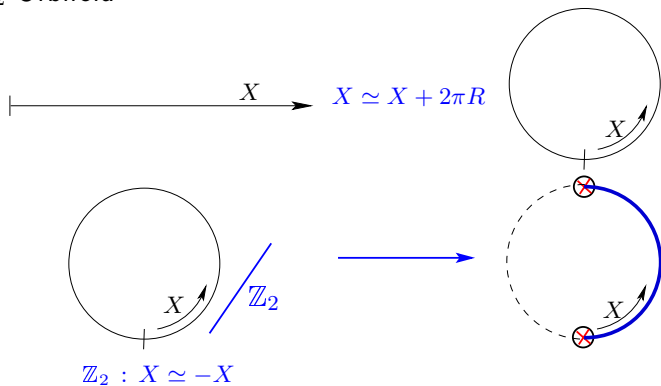
Förste, Kobayashi, Ohki, Takahashi (2006)

Kim, Kyae (2006-07)

Choi, Kim (2006-08)

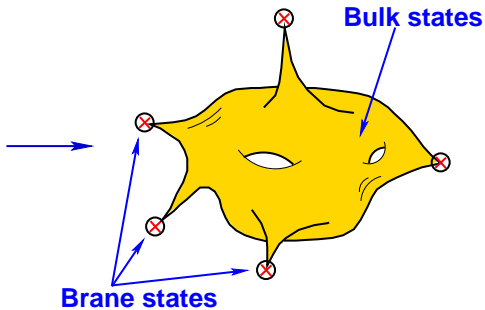
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5D \mathbb{Z}_2 Orbifold



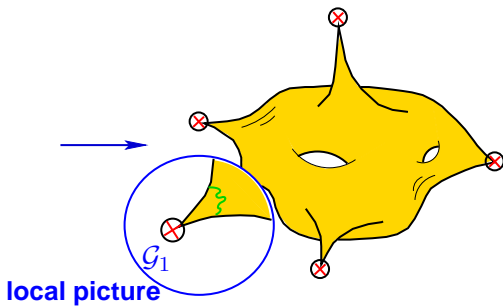
10D \mathbb{Z}_N Orbifold

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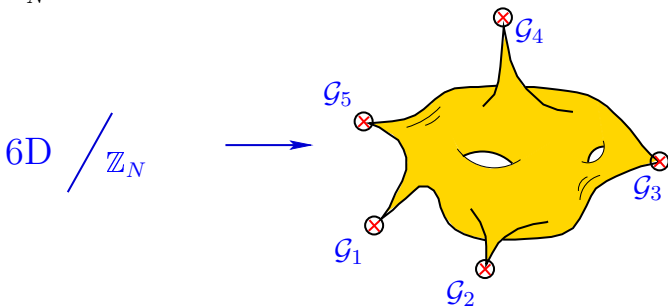


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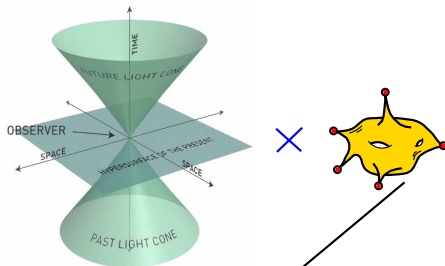


10D \mathbb{Z}_N Orbifold



$$E_8 \times E_8 \longrightarrow \mathcal{G}_{4D} = \mathcal{G}_1 \cap \mathcal{G}_2 \cap \dots \subset E_8 \times E_8$$

**10 D
Heterotic
String**



input: Orbifold

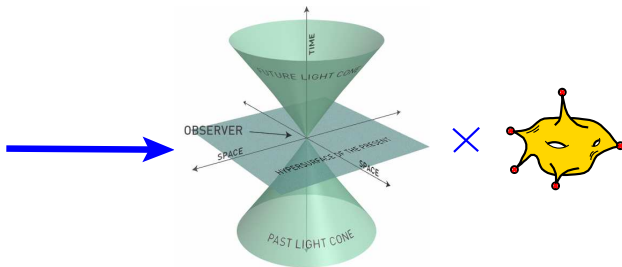
Geometry
Embedding

(\mathbb{Z}_N , Lattice(s), Twist, Shifts,
Wilson lines, discrete torsion)

output: 4D effective theory

Gauge symmetry \mathcal{G}_{4D}
Matter spectrum
Interactions
(K, W, f_a, \dots)

10 D Heterotic String



In this talk...

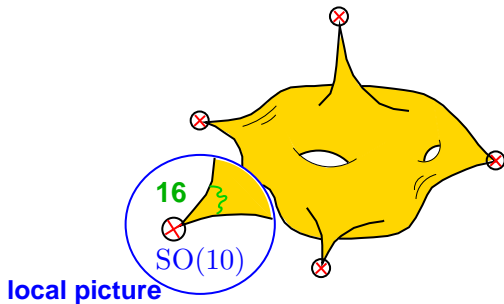
- how to get stringy MSSM candidates ?
- how realistic are they ?
- moduli stabilization possible ?

Mini-Landscape

Orbifolds: Local GUTs

- Local GUTs

Kobayashi, Raby, Zhang (2004)
Fürste, Nilles, Vaudrevange, Wingerter (2004)
Buchmüller, Hamaguchi, Lebedev, Ratz (2004)



$$\mathbf{16} \rightarrow (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2})_{1/6} + (\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1})_{-2/3} + (\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1})_{1/3} + (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2})_{-1/2} + (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_1 + (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_0$$

$q \qquad \bar{u} \qquad \bar{d} \qquad \ell \qquad \bar{e} \qquad \bar{\nu}$

Advantages of local SO(10) GUTs

- local matter: **16**, **1**
- **16** furnishes a complete SM family
- in 4D
 - SO(10) \longrightarrow $\mathcal{G}_{4D} = \text{SU}(3) \times \text{SU}(2) \times \text{U}(1)_Y$ possible
 - complete **16** survive
 - no **10** at the branes with local GUTS implies

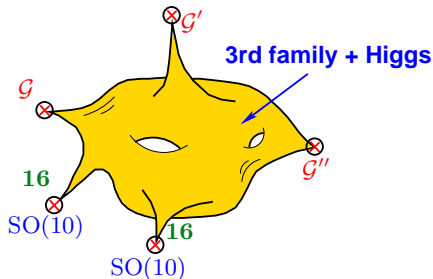
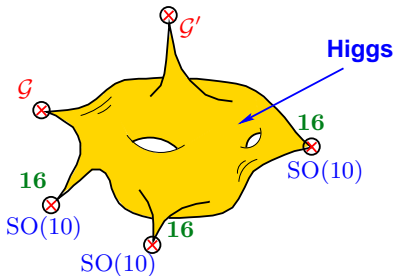
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doublet-triplet splitting achievable

Orbifolds: Local GUTs

- Helpful local GUT scenarios

Require $\mathcal{G}_{4D} = \mathcal{G}_{SM} = \text{SU}(3) \times \text{SU}(2) \times \text{U}(1)_Y$

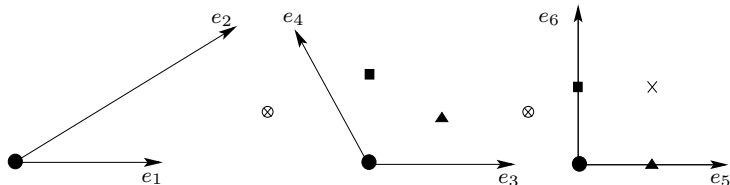


Impossible in \mathbb{Z}_N , $N < 6$ \Rightarrow We consider \mathbb{Z}_6 -II orbifolds

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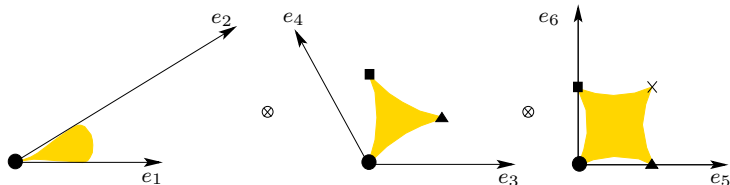
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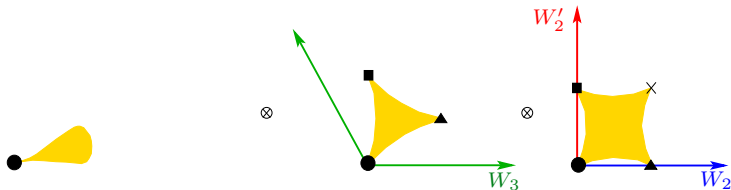
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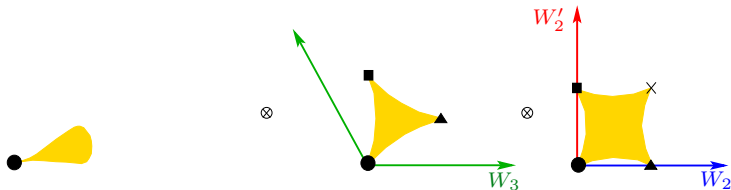
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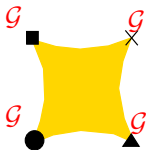
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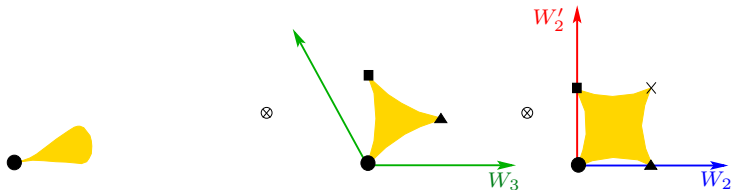
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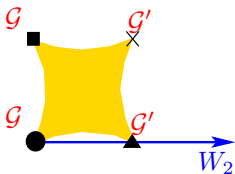
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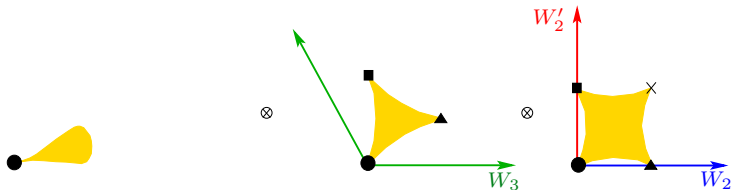
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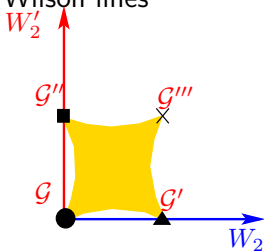
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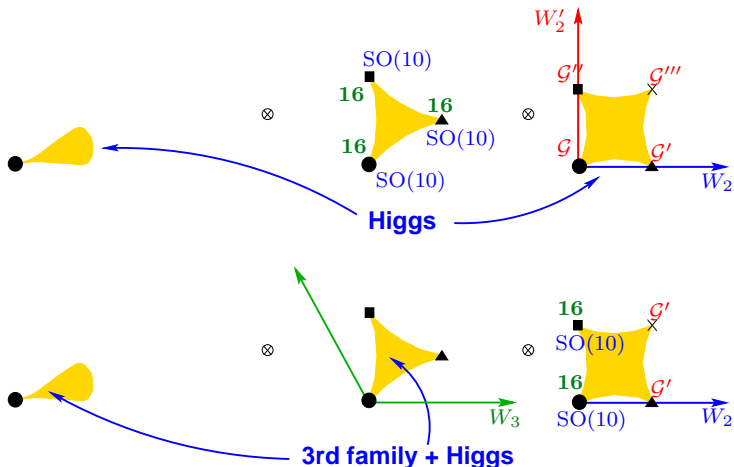
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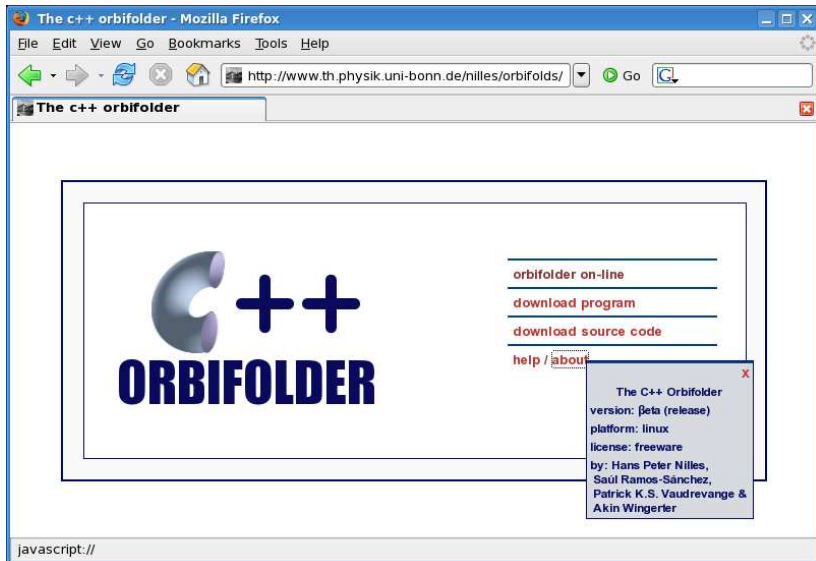


Orbifolds: \mathbb{Z}_6 -II Geometry

- 2 promising scenarios with 2 WL



Minilandscape



Minilandscape: Search Results

out of a total of 10^7 \mathbb{Z}_6 -II orbifold models:

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- $\mathcal{G}_{4D} = \mathcal{G}_{SM} \times \mathcal{G}_{\text{hidden}}$
- 3 SM generations + Higgses + no exotics
- $\mathcal{N} = 1$ susy vacua ($F = 0$ & $D = 0$)
- gauge coupling unification
- local GUTs \Rightarrow natural doublet-triplet splitting
- nontrivial (lepton & quark) mass textures
- see-saw neutrino masses
- low-energy SUSY breaking Buchmüller, Hamaguchi, Lebedev, R-S, Ratz (2007)
- natural μ -term suppression
- admissible QCD axion Choi, Nilles, R-S, Vaudrevange (2009)
- candidate symmetries for proton stability cf. Stefan Förste's talk
- origin of family symmetries

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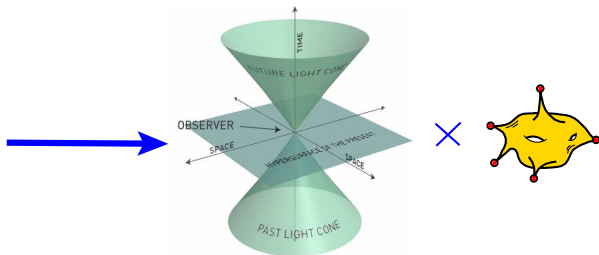
Nice, but...

What about moduli stabilization?

- a
- candidate symmetries cf. Stefan Förste's talk
- origin of family symmetries

Moduli & Matter

10 D Heterotic String



$$10\text{D Heterotic String} \longrightarrow \mathbb{M}^4 \times \frac{T^2 \times T^2 \times T^2}{\mathbb{Z}_N}$$

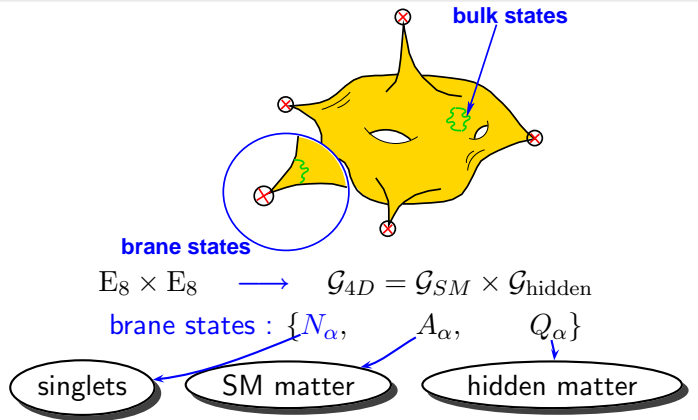
$$g_{MN}, B_{MN}, \Phi \longrightarrow \begin{matrix} g_{\mu\nu}, a & g_{ij}, B_{ij}, S \\ M, N = 0, \dots, 9 & \mu, \nu = 0, \dots, 3 & i, j = 4, \dots, 9 \end{matrix}$$

4D Graviton

Moduli

$$\mathbb{Z}_N \text{ invariant moduli: } \begin{cases} \text{Kähler} & h^{1,1} : T_i = f_{1,1}(g_{ij}, B_{ij}) \\ \text{complex struc.} & h^{2,1} : U_m = f_{2,1}(g_{ij}) \\ \text{dilaton} : & S \end{cases}$$

Brane Matter & Moduli



$$E_8 \times E_8 \longrightarrow \mathcal{G}_{4D} = \mathcal{G}_{SM} \times \mathcal{G}_{\text{hidden}}$$

$$\text{brane states : } \{N_\alpha, A_\alpha, Q_\alpha\}$$

$$\langle A_\alpha \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{G}_{SM} \text{ unbroken; } \quad \langle Q_\alpha \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{G}_{\text{hidden}} \text{ unbroken}$$

N_α \longrightarrow blow-up modes cf. Patrick Vaudrevange's talk
 N_α \longrightarrow "moduli" (no flat potential)

Towards the goal:

how to stabilize

$$T_i, U_m, S, N_\alpha$$

Stabilizing S: a naive approach

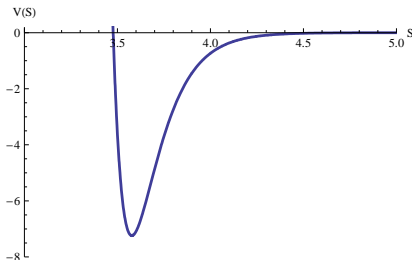
Ingredients:

Kappl, Nilles, Ratz, R-S, Schmidt-Hoberg, Vaudrevange (2008)

- unbroken SUSY $\Rightarrow \langle N_\alpha \rangle \sim 0.1$
- effective suppressed superpotential $W_0 = \langle \mathcal{W} \rangle \sim \langle N_\alpha \rangle^9$
- pure Yang-Mills SU(N) in hidden sector, e.g. SU(4)
→ gaugino condensation



- $\mathcal{W}_{eff} = W_0 + Ae^{-\frac{2}{3}\pi^2 S}$ & $K = -\log(S + \bar{S})$



Moduli Stabilization Ingredients

Previous efforts

- Racetrack – multiple gaugino condensates

de Carlos, Casas, Muñoz (1992)

- Kähler stabilization (not under control)

Casas (1996)

However, either

not all moduli stabilized simultaneously ☹️

unrealistic stabilization values ☹️

not clear whether realizable in heterotic orbifolds

In orbifolds:

- string selections rules $\Rightarrow \mathcal{W}^{pert}$
- large $\mathcal{G}_{\text{hidden}} \Rightarrow \mathcal{W}^{np}$ from gaugino condensation
- threshold corrections: $f_a = S + \Delta_a(T_i, U_m)$
- $N_\alpha \Rightarrow$ De Sitter Vacua possible

Lebedev, Nilles, Ratz (2006)

Moduli Stabilization Ingredients

Focus on a \mathbb{Z}_6 -II MSSM candidate:

- $\mathcal{G}_{4D} = \mathcal{G}_{SM} \times \text{SO}(8) \times \text{SU}(3)$
- 3 MSSM generations + h_u, h_d
- additional brane singlets $N_\alpha \Rightarrow N_1, N_2$
- In \mathbb{Z}_6 -II with lattice $G_2 \times \text{SU}(3) \times \text{SO}(4)$

Orbifold invariance of the lattice leaves free parameters:

R_1 size of first torus G_2

R_3 size of second torus $\text{SU}(3)$

R_5, R_6 radii of third torus $\text{SO}(4)$

α_{56} angle between the $\text{SO}(4)$ radii



T_1, T_2, T_3, U_3

- From sugra multiplet S

Advantage of orbifolds: sugra limit known! ☺

Dixon, Kaplunovsky, Louis (1990-1991)

Lüst, Muñoz (1992)

Nontrivial moduli Kähler potential and superpotential:

$$\mathcal{W}^{pert} = d N_1^2 N_2 e^{-\alpha T_2} (1 + e^{-\beta T_1})$$

$$\mathcal{W}^{np} = A \frac{e^{-aS} + e^{-bS}}{(\eta(T_2)\eta(T_3)\eta(U_3))^2}$$

$$K = -\log(S + \bar{S}) - \sum_{i=1}^3 \log(T_i + \bar{T}_i) - \log(U_3 + \bar{U}_3) \\ + \frac{|N_1|^2 + |N_2|^2}{(U_3 + \bar{U}_3)^{\ell_3} \prod_{i=1}^3 (T_i + \bar{T}_i)^{n_i}}$$

- too many vacua (10^{500}) in the string landscape \rightarrow search strategy needed
- local GUTs offer an optimal strategy to find realistic vacua
- in \mathbb{Z}_6 -II heterotic orbifolds, about 200 MSSM candidates with successful phenomenology
- in orbifolds, sugra limit known \rightarrow ingredients for moduli stabilization available
- presence of matter fields \rightarrow De Sitter vacua achievable
- necessary to address explicitly this question in particular models

Paramešwaran, R-S, Velasco-Sevilla, Zavala, *work in progress*