

# Gauge Unification from Split Supersymmetric String Models

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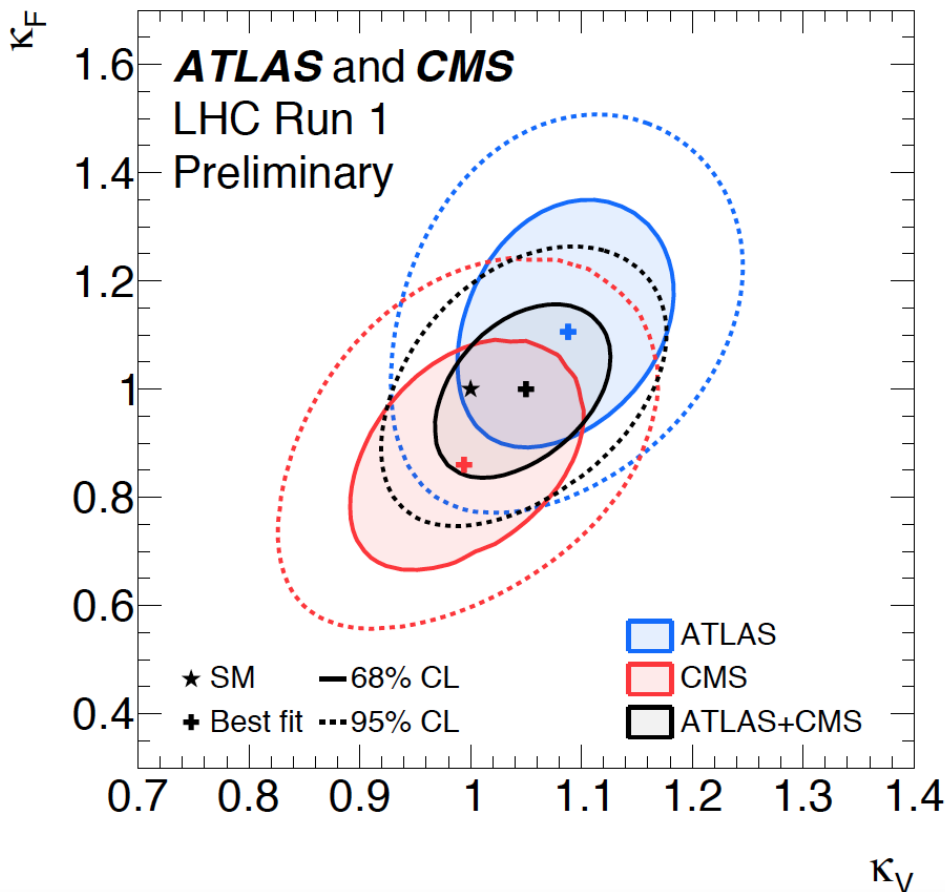
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# ATLAS and CMS experiments shed light on Higgs properties



combined  
2011 &  
2012  
results->  
May  
2015->  
clearly  
shows

improvement in precision (also G.Tonelli in the school)

...all experiments consistent up to now...with the SM ...**?**..BUT ..!

**Standard model is an incomplete theory**

## WHY ?

1) does not incorporate **GRAVITY**

2) Dark matter and dark energy

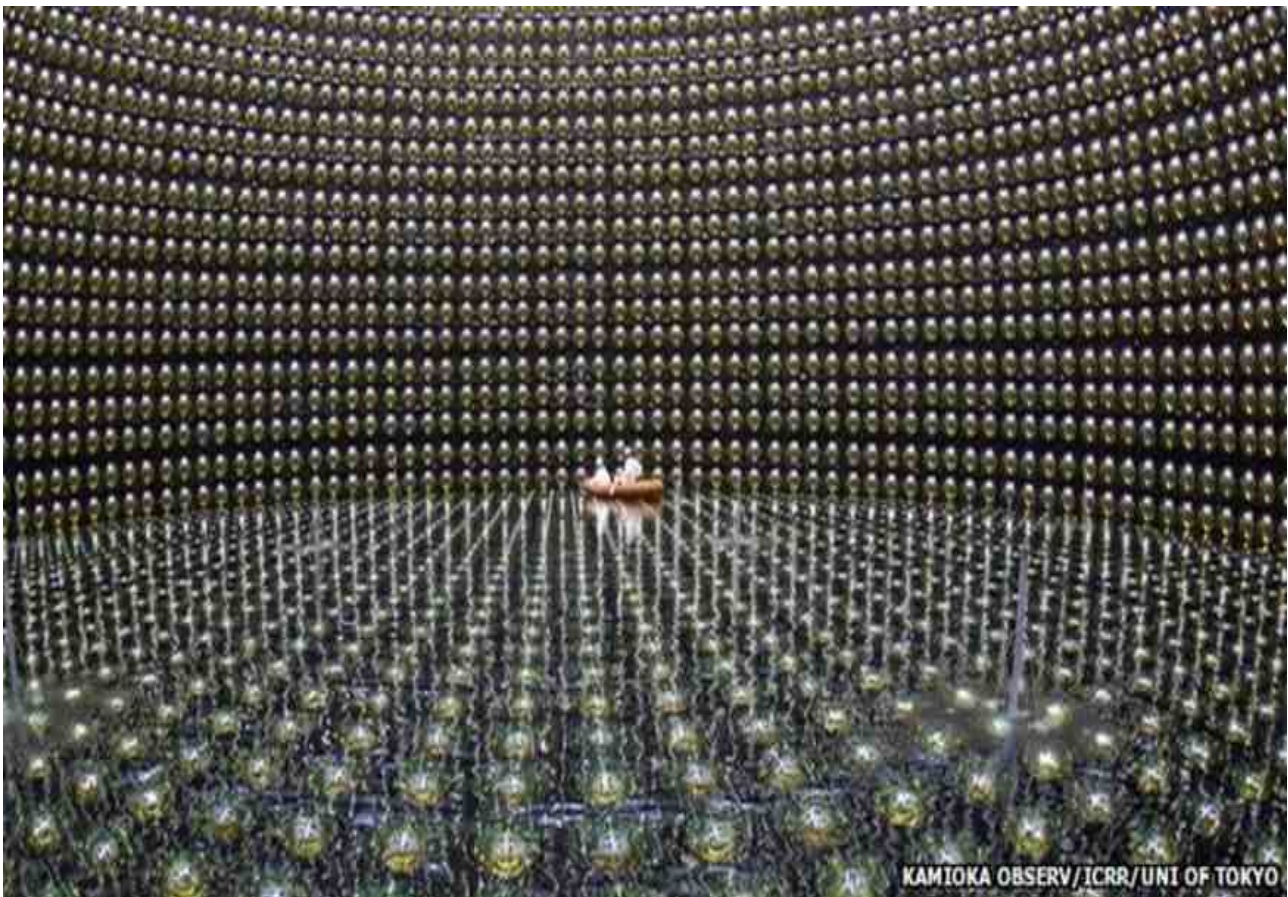
Cosmological observations tell us the standard model explains about 5% of the matter present in the universe --> About ~27% should be dark matter, which would behave just like other matter, but which only interacts weakly (if at all) with the Standard Model fields

### 3) Neutrinos

At the SM  $m_\nu = 0$ , but

measurements however indicated that neutrinos spontaneously change flavour, which implies that neutrinos have a mass.

This necessitates an extension of the standard model, which not only needs to explain how neutrinos get massive, but also why the mass is so small



Super-K looks for the faint flashes of light emitted when passing neutrinos interact with its water



## SOLUTION>

The SM may be extended BEYOND..

1<sup>st</sup> possibility=>use

N=1 SUSY (Supersymmetry)

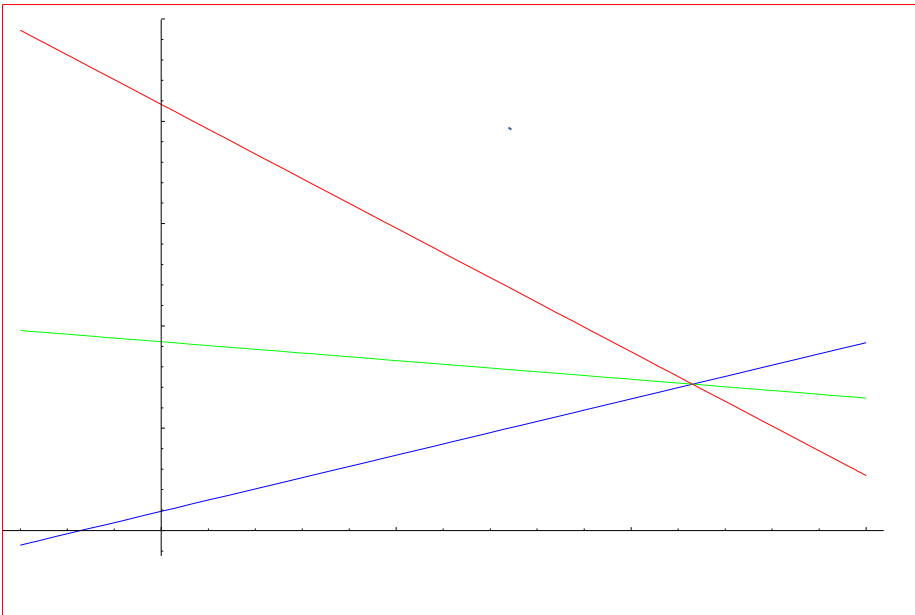
to promote

SM > SSM

- For every Standard Model particle there exists its supersymmetric partner with the same charge but with different spin
- Solves the gauge hierarchy problem
- Gauge couplings unify at the unification scale/energy

$$M_{\text{GUT}} \sim 2 \cdot 10^{16} \text{ GeV}$$

# SSM Gauge unification



SU(5) gauge unification :  $1/\alpha$  vs  $\log E$   
( SU(3), SU(2), U(1)<sub>Y</sub> gauge couplings) : Running couplings in the SSM at one-loop/ from top to bottom,  $\alpha_1^{-1}$ ,  $\alpha_2^{-1}$ ,  $\alpha_3^{-1}$

S. Dimopoulos, S. Raby and F. Wilczek

L. E. Ibanez and G. G. Ross

S. Dimopoulos and H. Georgi

N. Sakai

## The SM RG equations for SU(3), SU(2), U(1)<sub>Y</sub>

$$\frac{1}{\alpha_s(M_s)} = \frac{1}{a_s(M_s)} - \frac{b_3}{2\pi} \ln \left| \left( \frac{M_z}{M_s} \right) \right|$$

$$\frac{1}{\alpha_w(M_s)} = \frac{1}{a_w(M_s)} - \frac{b_2}{2\pi} \ln \left| \left( \frac{M_z}{M_s} \right) \right|$$

$$\frac{1}{\alpha_Y(M_s)} = \frac{1}{a_Y(M_s)} - \frac{b_1}{2\pi} \ln \left| \left( \frac{M_z}{M_s} \right) \right|$$

Remark..!

In a gauge theory context, there is no fundamental reason from first principles why the unification scale should be so high, if not by accident..!

However

in the (perturbative) Heterotic String Theory >



the string scale  $M^{\text{STRING}}$  is determined

$$M_{\text{STRING}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{2e^{(1-\gamma)}}{\sqrt{27\pi\alpha'}} \approx \approx 0.7 g_{\text{STRING}} 10^{18} \text{ GeV}$$

V. Kaplunovsky; J.P. Derendinger, S. Ferrara, C. Kounnas, F. Zwirner



**BUT**

(FORGETTING PROTON DECAY  
PROBLEMS....!!)

it appears that  $M^{\text{STRING}}$  is 2  
orders of magnitude **LARGER**  
than

that of the SUSY gauge theory  
 $M_{\text{GUT}} \sim 2 \cdot 10^{16} \text{ GeV}$

Several explanations..were  
invoked to reconcile the apparent  
discrepancy...▲ threshold  
corrections,  
▶ extra states etc.

INSTEAD..IN THE

FOLLOWING  
WE PREFER TO STUDY..  
A STRING THEORY

where

THE STRING UNIFICATION  
SCALE

is A FREE PARAMETER..

► .. COULD BE "ADJUSTED"  
(NATURALLY) TO COINCIDE

with the

SSM UNIFICATION SCALE

+ a conserved baryon  $\neq$

\*\*\*\*\*SPLIT SUPERSYMMETRIC MODELS  
DO NOT NEED SUPERSYMMETRY TO  
SUPPORT THEIR EXISTENCE...!!!!

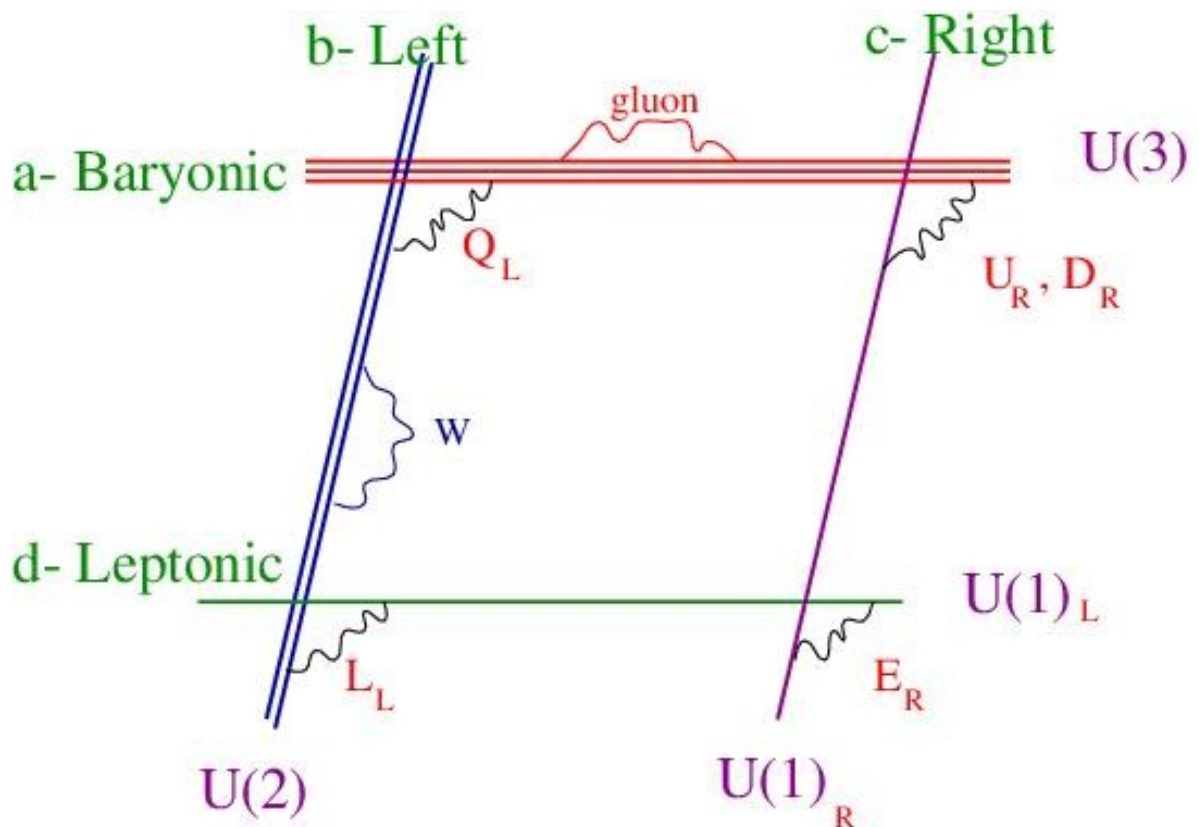
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# Such > String Theories exist>

Four dimensional compactifications of 10D IIA orientifolds with D6 branes intersecting at angles

[R.Blumenhagen,L.Goerlich,B.Kors,D.Lust-Berlin Group],

[L.Ibanez, F.Marchesano,R.Rabadan, D.Cremades,C.K-Madrid Group]

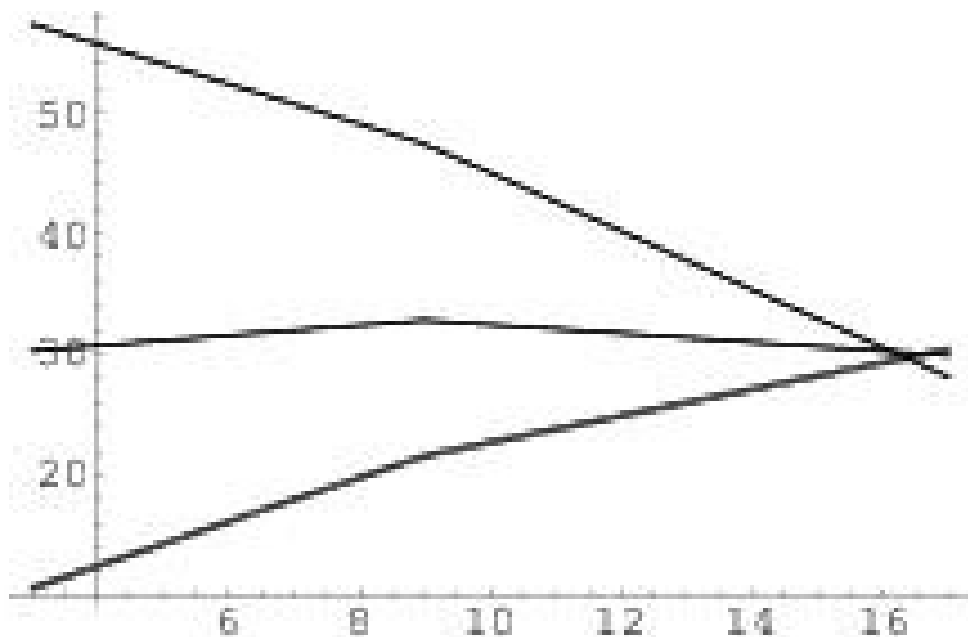


**Fermions appear as open strings stretched at the intersections between the D6-branes**

# SPLIT SUSY as a Gauge Theory

(N. Arkani-Hamed, S. Dimopoulos '04)

- does not solve the Gauge Hierarchy problem but keeps the unification and dark matter candidate
- Gauge couplings unify at a scale  $< 10^{16}$  GeV
- all superpartners become massive, & Higgsinos, gauginos remain at low energy
- (claim) there is a light and a heavy Higgs



Running couplings at one-loop, with the scalars at  $10^9$  GeV -table 1

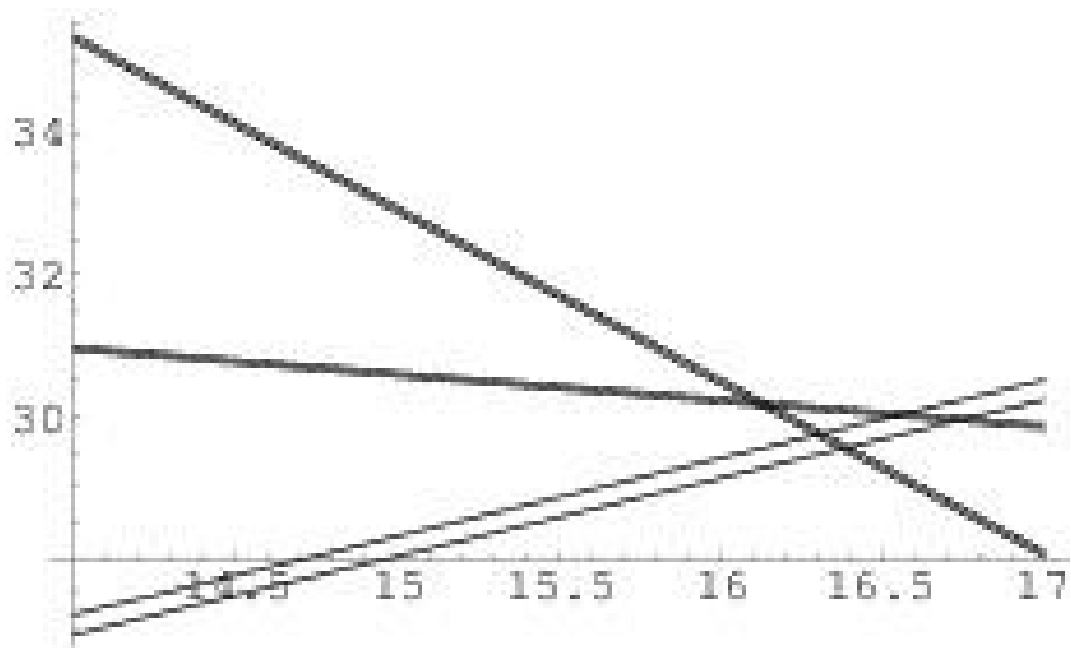


table 2 - Close-up of the one-loop couplings near the unification scale with the heavy scalars at  $10^9$  GeV. Note that the prediction for  $\alpha_3(M_Z)$  is lower than in the SSM.

We observe partial unification of the gauge couplings...

With the SM + Higgsinos >  
Unification at  $\sim 10^{14}$  GeV

# Split Susy in String Theory

(I. Antoniadis, S. Dimopoulos, C. K. /'04)

String Theory can achieve  
**SPLIT SUSY** if a number of  
conditions are satisfied :

- i)  $\sin^2 \Theta_W = 3/8$  at the string/  
unification scale **even with partial  
unification of 2 of the 3 gauge  
couplings of the SM**
- ii) there are light gauginos in the  
presence of gravity
- iii) there are light Higgsinos

(you don't need N=1SUSY)

I. Antoniadis and S. Dimopoulos(2004)

# Explicit string realizations > C.K(2004)

1*Model	Particles	$(\text{SU}(3) \times \text{SU}(2))_{(Q_a, Q_b, Q_c)}$	$\text{U}(1)^Y$
7* <i>MSSM</i>	$\{Q_L\}$	$3(3, 2)_{(1, -1, 0)}$	1/6
	$\{u_L^c\}$	$\# = 3(3, 1)_{(2, 0, 0)}$	-2/3
	$\{d_L^c\}$	$3(3, 1)_{(-1, 0, -1)}$	1/3
	$\{L + H_d\}$	$6(1, 2)_{(0, 1, -1)}$	-1/2
	$\{H_u\}$	$3(1, \bar{2})_{(0, -1, -1)}$	1/2
	$\{e_L^+\}$	$\# = 3(1, 1)_{(0, -2, 0)}$	1
	$\{N_R\}$	$\# = 9(1, 1)_{(0, 0, 2)}$	0
2*Extra Matter	$\{C_1\}$	$3(3, 1)_{(1, 0, -1)}$	1/3
	$\{C_2\}$	$3(\bar{3}, 1)_{(-1, 0, -1)}$	-1/3

3 - generation non-supersymmetric model with the fermion content of N=1 MSSM on top of the table +  $N_R$ 's + 3 pairs of  $H_u, H_d$  Higgsinos

> A four dimensional String model realization of Split supersymmetry : massless spectrum of IIA orientifolds with D6-branes intersecting at angles

The extra matter  $C_1, C_2$  become massive, leaving at low energies the rest of the spectrum:

SM+ 3 pairs of Higgses + 3 pairs of Higgsinos-->partial unification as in table 1 at  $M_{STRING} \sim 5.03 \times 10^{13} \text{ GeV}$

Matter	$(SU(3) \times SU(2))_{(Q_a, Q_b, Q_c)}$	$U(1)^Y$
$\{Q_L\}$	$3(3, 2)_{(1, 1, 0)}$	1/6
$\{u_L^c\}$	$3(\bar{3}, 1)_{(2, 0, 0)}$	-2/3
$\{d_L^c\}$	$3(3, 1)_{(-1, 0, 1)}$	1/3
$\{L\}$	$3(1, 2)_{(0, -1, -1)}$	-1/2
$\{e_L^+\}$	$3(1, 1)_{(0, -2, 0)}$	1
$\{N_R\}$	$3(1, 1)_{(0, 0, 2)}$	0

Table 1: A three generation chiral (open string) spectrum accommodating the split susy SM with no Higgsinos &  $\sin^2\theta = 3/8$ . The value of  $\sin^2\theta$  comes from the "presence" of an SU(5)-like unification relation at the string scale that relates the gauge couplings of the SM gauge groups.

SM + 6 Higgses at low energy- *partially* unify as in table 1 at (gauginos receive loop corrections):

$$M_{STRING} = 5.03 \times 10^{13} \text{ GeV}$$



Because at the string scale > C.K 2014

$$\frac{1}{\alpha_Y} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{\alpha_s} + \frac{1}{\alpha_w}$$

or

$$\frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{\alpha_s(M_Z)} + \frac{2 \sin^2 \theta_w(M_Z) - 1}{\alpha_{em}(M_Z)} = \frac{B}{2\pi} \ln \frac{M_Z}{M_s},$$

$$B = -\frac{2}{3} b_3 + b_2 - b_Y$$

=> IF THE NUMBER OF HIGGSSES IS 1, 3, 6 > String Theory Standard Model couplings partially unify at

$$M_s \sim 5.03 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ GeV}$$

## ..Conclusions..

**Split supersymmetry** is a beautiful idea that originated in a gauge theory context and is accommodated naturally in the massless spectrum of a special class of non-supersymmetric string theories

(based on four dimensional compactifications of IIA string theories on the orientifolded torus  $T^6/Z_3 \times Z_3$  )