

Dynamics of branes in DFT

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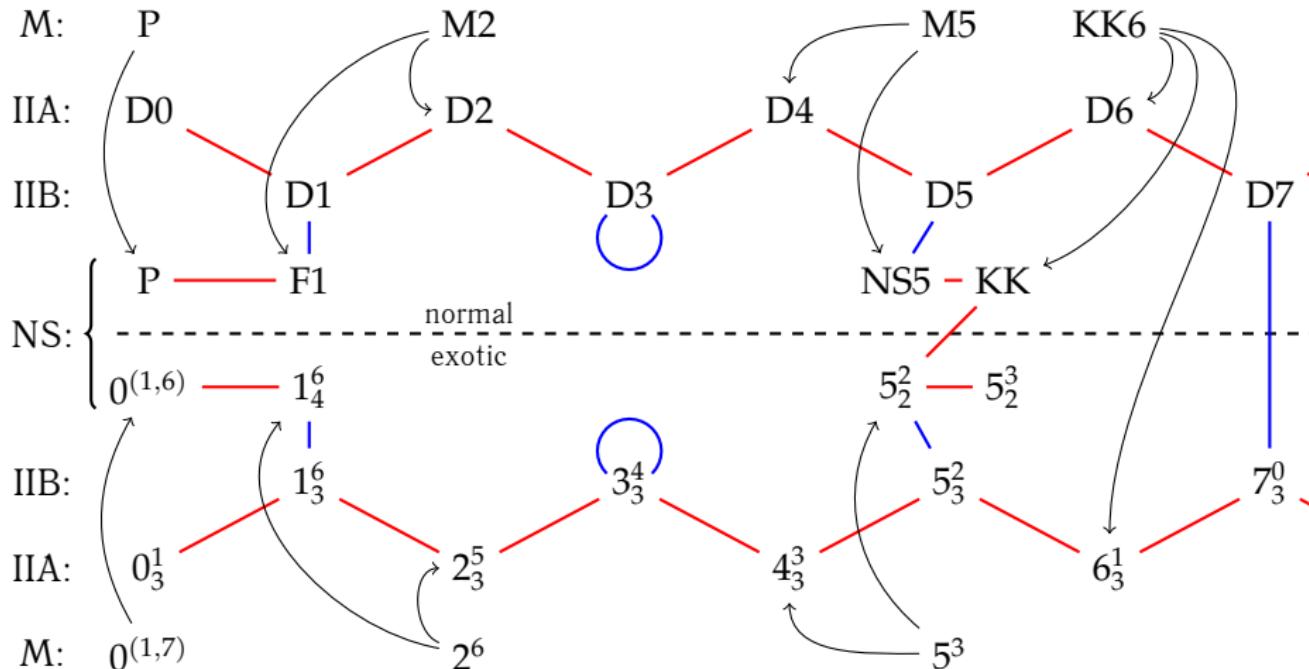
based on works with

Eric Bergshoeff, Chris Blair,
Axel Kleinschmidt, Fabio Riccioni

Dualities
Corfu, 2018



Web of (some) branes



— S-duality; — T-duality; → Reduction;

Summary

T-duality orbits

$$\text{NS5}(5_2^0) \longrightarrow \text{KK5}(5_2^1) \longrightarrow \text{Q}(5_2^2) \longrightarrow \text{R}(5_2^3) \longrightarrow \text{R}'(5_2^4)$$

$$\text{D0} - \text{D1} - \text{D2} - \text{D3} - \text{D4} - \text{D5} - \text{D6} - \text{D7} - \text{D8} - \text{D9}$$

- Effective actions, which depending on orientation project down to actions for normal branes.
- Probably some non-geometric effects for D-branes
- Wess-Zumino terms for $\alpha = -3, 4$ branes (linear)

T-duality orbit of NS branes

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
NS5 :	x	x	x	x	x	x	•	•	•	•	
	world-volume					transverse					
KK5 :	x	x	x	x	x	x	•	•	•	○	
	world-volume					transverse		special			
Q :	x	x	x	x	x	x	•	•	○	○	
R :	x	x	x	x	x	x	•	○	○	○	
R' :	x	x	x	x	x	x	○	○	○	○	

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[deBoer, Shigemori]

T-duality orbit of D-branes

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
D0 :	x	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	(2)
D1 :	x	x	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
D2 :	x	x	x	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
D3 :	x	x	x	x	•	•	•	•	•	•	
D4 :	x	x	x	x	x	•	•	•	•	•	
D5 :	x	x	x	x	x	x	•	•	•	•	
D6 :	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	•	•	•	
D7 :	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	•	•	
D8 :	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	•	
D9 :	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	

! T-duality changes dimension of a D-brane

Potentials

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- NS5-brane — magnetic dual of the string, $B_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_6}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B_{\mu\nu} & \rightarrow & H_{\mu\nu\rho} = 3\partial_{[\mu}B_{\nu\rho]} \\ & & \qquad \qquad \qquad \rightarrow *_{10}H_{(3)} \\ & & || \\ B_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_6} & \rightarrow & H_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_7} = 7\partial_{[\mu_1}B_{\mu_2 \dots \mu_7]} \\ & & \leftarrow H_{(7)} \end{array} \quad (3)$$

- KK5-monopole — magnetic dual of the graviton, $A_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_7}{}^v$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_m{}^z = e_m{}^z & \rightarrow & f_{mn}{}^z = 2e_{\bar{z}}{}^z \partial_{[m} e_{n]}{}^{\bar{z}} \\ & & \qquad \qquad \qquad \rightarrow *_{10} f_{(2)}{}^z \\ & & || \\ A_{m_1 \dots m_6 z}{}^z & \rightarrow & f_{m_1 \dots m_7 z}{}^z = 8\partial_{[m_1} A_{m_2 \dots m_7 z]}{}^z \\ & & \leftarrow f_{(8)}{}^z \end{array} \quad (4)$$

Exotic potentials

- 5_2^2 -brane, Q_a^{bc} -flux, interacts with $B_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_8}{}^{v_1 v_2}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \beta^{34} & \rightarrow & Q_a{}^{34} = \partial_a \beta^{34} \\ & & \rightarrow *_{10} Q_{(1)}{}^{34} \\ & & || \\ B_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_6}{}^{34} & \leftarrow & Q_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_7}{}^{34} = 9 \partial_{[\alpha_1} B_{\alpha_2 \dots \alpha_7]34}{}^{34} \\ & & \leftarrow Q_{(9)}{}^{34} \end{array} \quad (5)$$

- 5_2^3 -brane, R^{abc} -flux, interacts with $B_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_9}{}^{v_1 v_2 v_3}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \beta^{34} & \rightarrow & R^{234} = \tilde{\partial}^2 \beta^{34} \\ & & \rightarrow *_{10} R_{(0)}{}^{234} \\ & & || \\ B_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_6}{}^{234} & \leftarrow & R_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_7}{}^{234} = 10 \partial_{[\alpha_1} B_{\alpha_2 \dots \alpha_7]234}{}^{234} \\ & & \leftarrow R_{(10)}{}^{234} \end{array} \quad (6)$$

In general 5_2^p -brane interacts with $B_{(6+p,p)}$ -potential

The problem

- Construct a T-covariant action reproducing the background of the DFT monopole when coupled to DFT
- Write an invariant Wess-Zumino term

DFT monopole

- A solution of DFT defined by the harmonic function

$$H(z, y^1, y^2, y^3) = 1 + \frac{h}{z^2 + \delta_{ij} y^i y^j} \quad (7)$$

- and identification between the doubled coordinates

$\mathbb{X}^M = (x^z, x^i, x^a, \tilde{x}_z, \tilde{x}_i, \tilde{x}_a)$ and parameters $(z, y^i, \tilde{z}, \tilde{y}_i)$

$$\begin{aligned} (x^z, x^1, x^2, x^3) &= (z, y^1, y^2, y^3), & \text{NS5-brane, } 5_2^0 \\ (x^z, x^1, x^2, x^3) &= (\tilde{z}, y^1, y^2, y^3), & \text{KK5-brane, } 5_2^1 \\ (x^z, x^1, x^2, x^3) &= (\tilde{z}, \tilde{y}_1, y^2, y^3), & \text{Q-brane, } 5_2^2 \\ (x^z, x^1, x^2, x^3) &= (\tilde{z}, \tilde{y}_1, \tilde{y}_2, y^3), & \text{R-brane, } 5_2^3 \\ (x^z, x^1, x^2, x^3) &= (\tilde{z}, \tilde{y}_1, \tilde{y}_2, \tilde{y}_3), & \text{R'-brane, } 5_2^4 \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

- Non-geometric backgrounds depend on **dual** coordinates. The same for xFT (recall Ray's talk)

[Berman, Rudolph, Bakhmatov, Kleinschmidt, EtM, Otsuki]

Embedding of the brane

$$\begin{array}{cccccc|cccccc}
 x^0 & x^1 & x^2 & x^3 & x^4 & x^5 & | & y^1 & y^2 & y^3 & y^4 & \tilde{y}_1 & \tilde{y}_2 & \tilde{y}_3 & \tilde{y}_4 \\
 \times & \times & \times & \times & \times & \times & | & & & & & & & & \\
 \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{world-volume}} & & & & & & | & \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{transverse directions}}
 \end{array} \quad (9)$$

Coordinates of the space-time = scalar fields on the brane



no issues with doubled geometry, section condition etc.

- doubled number of scalar fields on the brane
- projection condition which leaves only half of them (to keep SUSY)

The action

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{\text{DBI}} = & \int d^6\xi e^{-2d} \sqrt{|h_{ab}|} \sqrt{1 + e^{2d} |h_{ab}|^{-1/2} (\bar{\lambda}_{\text{brane}} \mathcal{C})^2} \times \\
 & \times \sqrt{- \left| g_{\mu\nu} \partial_\alpha X^\mu \partial_\beta X^\nu + \mathcal{H}_{MN} \hat{D}_\alpha Y^M \hat{D}_\beta Y^N - \frac{e^d (\det h)^{-1/4} \bar{\lambda}_{\text{brane}} \mathcal{G}_{\alpha\beta}}{\sqrt{1 + e^{2d} (\det h)^{-1/2} (\bar{\lambda}_{\text{brane}} \mathcal{C})^2}} \right|}, \tag{10}
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\mathcal{G}_{\alpha\beta} = 2\partial_{[\alpha}\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_{\beta]} + \tilde{\mathcal{C}}_{\alpha\beta} \tag{11}$$

is a worldvolume field strength with the following pullback of RR fields:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{\mathcal{C}}_{\alpha\beta} = & \left(\mathcal{C}_{\mu\nu} - (B_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} A_\mu{}^M A_\nu{}^N \Gamma_{MN}) \mathcal{C} + \sqrt{2} A_\mu{}^M \Gamma_M \mathcal{C}_\nu \right) \partial_{[\alpha} X^\mu \partial_{\beta]} X^\nu \\
 & + \sqrt{2} \Gamma_M \left(\mathcal{C}_\mu - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} A_\mu{}^N \Gamma_N \mathcal{C} \right) \partial_{[\alpha} X^\mu \hat{D}_{\beta]} Y^M - \frac{1}{2} \Gamma_{MN} \mathcal{C} \hat{D}_{[\alpha} Y^M \hat{D}_{\beta]} Y^N. \tag{12}
 \end{aligned}$$

The action

Keeping only NS-NS fields $\mathbb{X}^M = (x^m, \tilde{x}_m)$:

$$S_{\text{DBI}}^{(\text{NS})} = \int d^6\xi e^{-2d} \sqrt{\det(h_{ab})} \times \sqrt{-\det(g_{\mu\nu} \partial_\alpha X^\mu \partial_\beta X^\nu + \Pi_{MN} D_\alpha X^M D_\beta X^N)}, \quad (13)$$

Kaluza-Klein-like projections

$$\begin{aligned} D_\alpha X^M &= \partial_\alpha X^M + \partial_\alpha X^\mu A_\mu{}^M \\ \Pi_{MN} &= \mathcal{H}_{MN} - h^{ab} \mathcal{H}_{MP} \mathcal{H}_{NQ} k_a^P k_b^Q, \\ h_{ab} &= \mathcal{H}_{MN} k_a^M k_b^N. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

The section constraint (orientation):

$$\eta_{MN} k_a^M k_b^N = 0, \quad (15)$$

Allowed number of non-zero Killing vectors is half of the total.

Invariant Wess-Zumino term

- The exotic potentials $B_{(6+p,p)}$ are all combined into

$$D_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_6, MNKL}, \quad X^M = (x^a, \tilde{x}_a), \quad a \in 1, 2, 3, 4 \quad (16)$$

- The invariant charge

$$T^{MNKL} = k_a^M k_b^N k_c^K k_d^L \varepsilon^{abcd} \quad (17)$$

- The invariant Wess-Zumino term

$$S_{WZ} = \int d^6\xi T^{MNKL} D_{(6)MNKL} \quad (18)$$

T-duality frames

$$\eta_{MN} k_a^M k_b^N = 0, \quad \& \quad T^{MNKL} \neq 0 \quad (19)$$

Killing vectors $k_a^M = (k_a^m; \tilde{k}_{am})$ satisfying the constraint define the embedding

	world-volume						transverse directions							
	x^0	x^1	x^2	x^3	x^4	x^5								
NS5	×	×	×	×	×	×	•	•	•	•	k	k	k	k
KK5	×	×	×	×	×	×	•	•	•	k	k	k	k	•
Q	×	×	×	×	×	×	•	•	k	k	k	k	•	•
R	×	×	×	×	×	×	•	k	k	k	k	•	•	•
R'	×	×	×	×	×	×	k	k	k	k	•	•	•	•

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- — localization direction
- k — Killing direction

Invariant Wess-Zumino term

All couplings to the exotic potential appear from the single term

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_6}{}^{1234} &= B_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_6}, \\
 D_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_6, 1}{}^{234} &= A_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_6 1}{}^1, \\
 D_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_6, 12}{}^{34} &= B_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_6 12}{}^{12}, \\
 D_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_6, 123}{}^4 &= B_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_6 123}{}^{123}, \\
 D_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_6, 1234} &= B_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_6 1234}{}^{1234},
 \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

To gauge covariantize the world-volume WZ expression one adds w-v gauge fields Bergshoeff, Riccioni

D-brane covariant potentials

- D-brane potentials $C_{(p+1)}$ can be combined:

$$|\chi\rangle = \sum_{p=0}^{10} C_{m_1\dots m_p} \Gamma^{m_1\dots m_p} |0\rangle \quad (22)$$

with $\{\Gamma_M, \Gamma_N\} = 2\eta_{MN}$; vacuum: $\Gamma_m |0\rangle = 0$

- Invariant interaction

$$S_{wz} = \int d^{10}\xi \langle Q | \Gamma_{M_1\dots M_{10}} | \chi \rangle dX^{M_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dX^{M_{10}}. \quad (23)$$

- The vectors $k_\alpha^M = (k_\alpha^m, \tilde{k}_{\alpha m})$ and the charge must satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_{MN} k_\alpha^M k_\beta^N &= 0, \\ \Gamma_M k_\alpha^M |Q_{p+1}\rangle &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

Dynamics

DBI action written in the same variables

$$S_D = \int d^{10}\xi e^{-d} \det |h_{\alpha\beta}|^{\frac{1}{4}} \sqrt{-\det (\mathcal{H}_{MN} \hat{\partial}_a X^M \hat{\partial}_b X^N + \dots)}, \quad (25)$$

where one needs the projected derivatives

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\partial}_a X^M &= \partial_a X^M - (h^{-1})^{\alpha\beta} k_\alpha{}^M k_\beta{}^N \mathcal{H}_{NK} \partial_a X^K, \\ h_{\alpha\beta} &= k_\alpha{}^M k_\beta{}^N \mathcal{H}_{MN} \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

$$\eta_{MN} k_a^M k_b^N = 0.$$

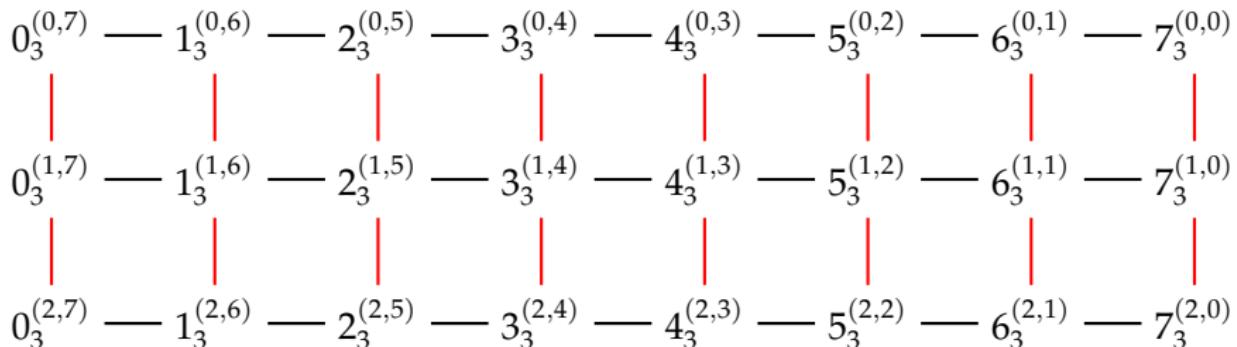
Other approaches: Asakawa, Sasa, Watamura, Albertsson, Dai, Kao, Lin

Embedding of branes

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{3}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{5}$	$\tilde{6}$	$\tilde{7}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{9}$
D0	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k
D1	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k
D2	k	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k
D3	k	k	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k	k	k	k	k	k	k
D4	k	k	k	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k	k	k	k	k
D5	k	k	k	k	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k	k	k	k
D6	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k	k	k
D7	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k	k
D8	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k
D9	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•

- ! Depending on the choice of k's one gets different D-branes
- ? D-branes can localize in dual space

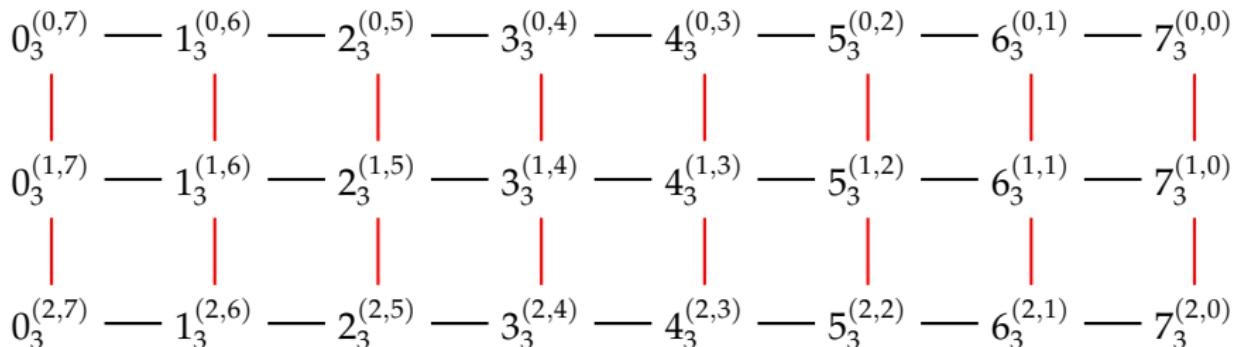
Higher exotic branes: $T \sim g_s^{-3}$



These interact with exotic potentials of the type

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_{(p,p+q,p+q+r)} &\iff E_{\underbrace{m_1 \dots m_p}_{}, \underbrace{n_1 \dots n_q}_{}, \underbrace{k_1 \dots k_r}_{}} \\
 \text{e.g. } 4_3^{(1,3)} &\iff E_{m_1 \dots m_5 uxyz, uxyz, u}
 \end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

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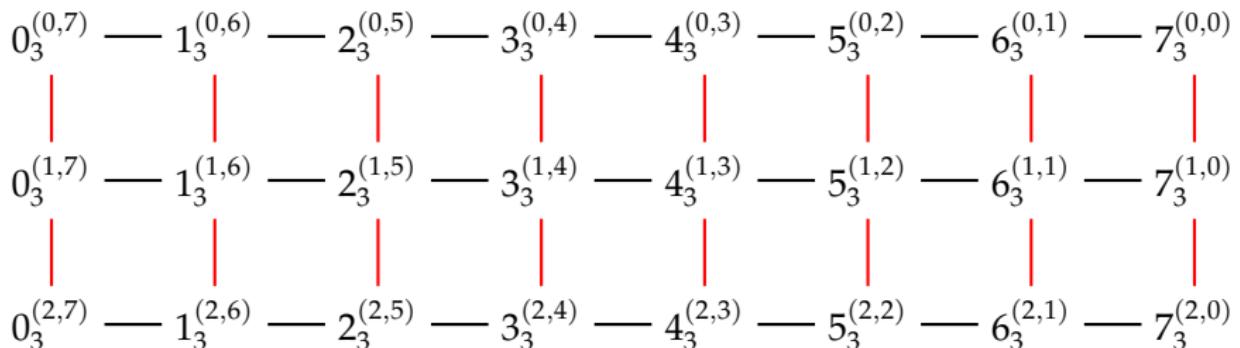
T-duality covariant potential is $|E^{MN}\rangle$

$$|E^{m_1 m_2}\rangle = \varepsilon^{m_1 \dots m_{10}} \sum_p E_{m_3 \dots m_{10}, n_1 \dots n_p} \Gamma^{n_1 \dots n_p} |0\rangle$$

$$|E^{m_1 q}\rangle = \varepsilon^{m_1 \dots m_{10}} \sum_p E_{m_2 \dots m_{10}, n_1 \dots n_p, q} \Gamma^{n_1 \dots n_p} |0\rangle$$

$$|E_{q_1 q_2}\rangle = \varepsilon^{m_1 \dots m_{10}} \sum_p E_{m_1 \dots m_{10}, n_1 \dots n_p, q_1 q_2} \Gamma^{n_1 \dots n_p} |0\rangle \quad .$$

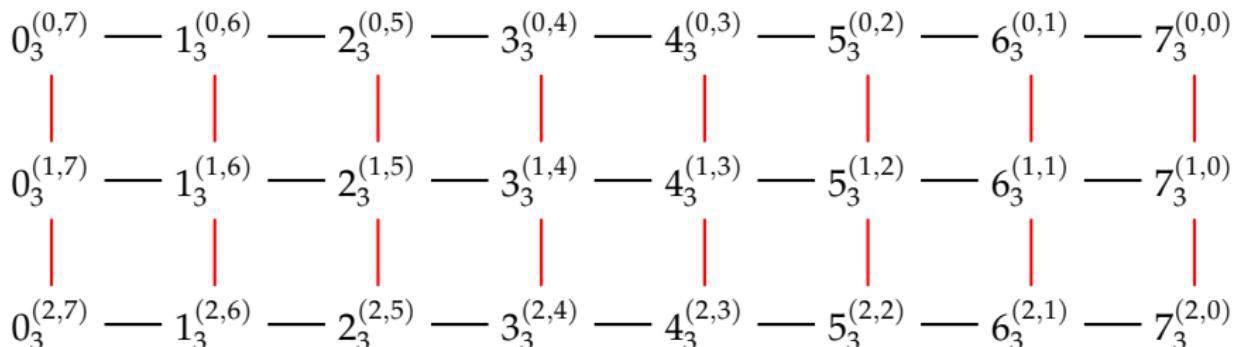
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The covariant Wess-Zumino term

$$\int d^8\xi \langle Q_{M_1 \dots M_{10}} | E^{M_1 M_2} \rangle \hat{d}X^{M_3} \wedge \dots \wedge \hat{d}X^{M_{10}}. \quad (27)$$

Higher exotic branes: $T \sim g_s^{-3}$



More interesting is the structure

$$|E^{m_1 m_2}\rangle = \varepsilon^{m_1 \dots m_{10}} \sum_p E_{m_3 \dots m_{10}, n_1 \dots n_p} \Gamma^{n_1 \dots n_p} |0\rangle$$

$$|E^{m_1 q}\rangle = \varepsilon^{m_1 \dots m_{10}} \sum_p E_{m_2 \dots m_{10}, n_1 \dots n_p, q} \Gamma^{n_1 \dots n_p} |0\rangle$$

$$|E_{q_1 q_2}\rangle = \varepsilon^{m_1 \dots m_{10}} \sum_p E_{m_1 \dots m_{10}, n_1 \dots n_p, q_1 q_2} \Gamma^{n_1 \dots n_p} |0\rangle \quad .$$

The message

- One is able to construct a single action for several branes, related by T-duality
- For D-branes this suggests localization in dual space
- Structure of T-dualities between branes repeats when going down in powers of g_s .

Discussion

- Prove microscopically, that D-branes (do not) localize in the dual space, calculate instanton corrections
- Field theories on worldvolume (especially for D-branes)
- Generalize stuff for exceptional field theories and U-dualities

What's the use of all that?

- Tadpole cancellation conditions for flux compactifications (Bianchi identities), support for internal space
- String behavior on such backgrounds: non-commutativity and non-associativity
- Little string theories from NS five-branes
- Speculations around AdS/CFT correspondence

Thank you for your attention!

