

Unification in Intersecting Brane Models

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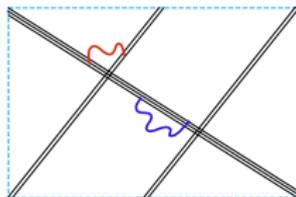
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Intersecting brane world

The origin of MSSM can be explained by intersecting brane world?

Open string \rightarrow gauge theory, chiral fermions [Berkooz, Douglas, Leigh]

Typical setup: D6s on T^6 wrapping 3-cycle = 3 + (3+1)D



ex. 2 families of quarks $(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2})$ under $SU(3) \times SU(2)$

- ▶ # families = # intersections
- ▶ Yukawa hierarchy
- ▶ \vdots

Unification?

- ▶ Gauge group and representation
- ▶ Gauge coupling $g_{\text{YM}}^2 \propto V_{\text{cycle}}^{-1} \quad -\frac{1}{4g^2} \int d^{p+1} x F^2 \rightarrow -\frac{V_{p-3}}{4g^2} \int d^4 x F^2$

Must be!

- ▶ Spontaneous symmetry breaking from the first principle (unified theory)
- ▶ Running gauge coupling from EW scale

Adjoint embedding

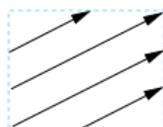
T -dual: tilted brane \leftrightarrow magnetic flux $A_1 = 0, A_2 = F_{12}X^1 = X'^2$

(partial) bound states of various D-branes “toron” [’t Hooft],[Guralnik, Ramgoolam]

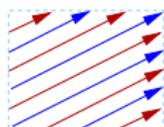
- ▶ D1-D1 intersec.: D0-D2 bound state,
- ▶ D2-D2 intersec.: D0-D4 bound states, marginal
- ▶ D3-D3 intersec.: $\overline{D0}\text{-}\overline{D0}\text{-}\overline{D0}\text{-}D4$ bound states *cf.* no D0-D6 bound state

$$\oplus(n^a, m^a) \leftrightarrow F_{12} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{m^1}{n^1} \mathbf{1}_{n^1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \frac{m^k}{n^k} \mathbf{1}_{n^k} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$n = \sum n^a, m = \int \text{Tr} F_{12} = \sum_a c_1^a$$

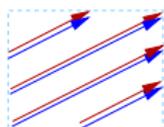
moduli space, gauge group $U(p), p = \text{gcd}(n, m)$ embedded in $U(n)$



(a)



(b)



(c)

Specified by torus moduli + Chern #

- ▶ No moduli for cycles
- ▶ SUSY replace higher order Chern # with lower order ones

Bifundamentals

chiral bifundamental rep [Berkooz, Douglas, Leigh] from adjoint

<p>24 of SU(5) → 9 of U(3) + 4 of U(2)</p>	<p>parallel separation adjoint Higgs</p>	$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{8} & (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}) \\ (\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \bar{\mathbf{2}}) & \mathbf{3} \end{pmatrix}$
<p>24 of SU(5) → (3,2) of U(3)xU(2)</p>	<p>“rotation” bifundamental chiral</p>	$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{8} & (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}) \\ (\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \bar{\mathbf{2}}) & \mathbf{3} \end{pmatrix}$ <p>gaugino \tilde{X}, \tilde{Y} = quark q</p>

due to the property of Dirac Op.

$$\text{multiplicity } I_{ab} = \text{index}_{Q,ab} \not{D}_6 = \frac{1}{3!(2\pi)^3} \int \text{Tr}_{Q,ab} F^3$$

cf. SUSY determined by bosonic sector

Branching under $U(p_a + p_b) \rightarrow U(p_a) \times U(p_b)$

$$(\mathbf{p}_a + \mathbf{p}_b)^2 = (\mathbf{p}_a^2, \mathbf{1}) + (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{p}_b^2) + (\mathbf{p}_a, \mathbf{p}_b) \quad (\bar{\mathbf{p}}_a, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_b) \text{ is } CPT \text{ conj.}$$

cf. Dual to M theory on G_2 manifold: $A_{p_a+p_b-1} \rightarrow A_{p_a-1} + A_{p_b-1}$ singularities

Further projection associated with orbifold action

DBI energy

Given a SUSY intersecting brane model

(nonabelian) DBI energy = BPS relation [Marino, Minasian, Moore, Strominger]

$$\begin{aligned} & \tau_9 \text{Tr} \sqrt{(\mathbf{1} + f_{45}^2)(\mathbf{1} + f_{67}^2)(\mathbf{1} + f_{89}^2)} \\ &= \tau_9 V_{45} V_{67} V_{89} \sum_a (\text{Tr} \mathbf{1}_{N^a} + \tau_9 (\text{Tr} f_{45,a} f_{67,a} + \text{Tr} f_{67,a} f_{89,a} + \text{Tr} f_{89,a} f_{45,a})) \\ &= \tau_9 V_{45} V_{67} V_{89} \sum_a N_a + \tau_5 (V_{89} \sum_a c_{2,a}^{89} + V_{45} \sum_a c_{2,a}^{45} + V_{67} \sum_a c_{2,a}^{67}). \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$
$$f = 2\pi\alpha' F, \quad \tau_5 = (4\pi^2\alpha')^2 \tau_9, \quad V_{45} V_{67} \text{Tr} F_{45} F_{67} = N \frac{m_1 m_2}{n_1 n_2} = c_2$$

tadpole condition: RR charge sum(s) to be 32 (incl. O-images), depending on the # orientifolds

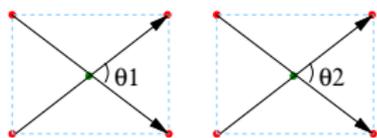
- ▶ \mathbf{Z}_M with M odd 1, with M even 2 [Gimon, Polchinski]
- ▶ $\mathbf{Z}_M \times \mathbf{Z}_N$ with M, N even 4 [Berkooz, Leigh]
- ▶ maximal rank 16 for each

Every SUSY setup has the **same total energy** with

type I compactification

vacua connected?

Recombination of BPS cycles

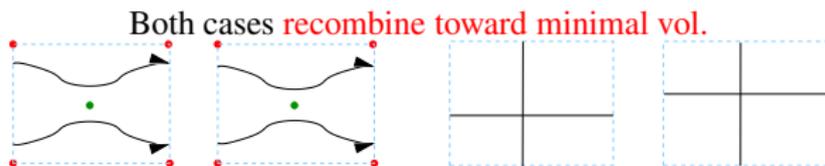


$$T^2 \times T^2 \text{ ws scalar}$$

$$m_1^2 = \theta_1 - \theta_2 = -m_2^2$$

- ▶ $\theta_1 \neq \theta_2$ unstable tachyon
- ▶ $\theta_1 = \theta_2 \leftrightarrow F_{12} = F_{34}$
 \leftrightarrow **local** Cauchy–Riemann condition — Any complex curves in \mathbb{C}^2 is sLag

1/4 BPS = stable SUSY = minimal vol.



- ▶ **marginal** deformation, same volume [CKS, Kim] [Erdminger et al] [Douglas, Zhou]
- ▶ T -dual to D4-D0 bound state
- ▶ U -dual to (F, Dp) bound state = string junction [CKS, Kim]

charged scalar VEV also induces recombination = Higgs mech [Cremedes, Ibanez, Marchesano]
 1/8-cycle recombination is also marginal due to SUSY.

Type I compactification on orientifolds

[Cvetic, Shiu, Uranga 01] (intersecting) = [Berkooz, Leigh 96] (parallel)

- ▶ IIA on $T^6 / (\mathbf{Z}_2 \times \mathbf{Z}_2)$ — 4 O6 planes
- ▶ All cycles are 1/4-BPS, with O6-image

above 1/4 recombination!

Deformable

- ▶ By brane recombinations and parallel translation

all can be on top of O6s

- ▶ Final group $Sp(8)^4 \in SO(32)^4$, branching **496** \rightarrow **136** + 3 \cdot **120**
- ▶ T_{579} -dual: 4 O6s \rightarrow 1 O9 and 3 O5s $\Omega, \theta\Omega, \omega\Omega, \omega\theta\Omega$, orbifold group P invariant or become asymmetric \hat{P}

All are **type I compactification on P**

- ▶ requiring SUSY: Dp - $D(p-4)$ bound states — T -dual to D9-D5
- ▶ all become D6/O6 by some T -dualities, *cf.* M -theory on G_2 manifold
- ▶ on a symmetric or asymmetric orbifold. [Blumenhagen, Gorlich, Kors, Lust]
- ▶ branching + projection assoc. w/ orbifold
- ▶ Many SUSY vacua are connected

Gauge coupling

fluctuation around D-brane background [A. Hashimoto, Taylor], [Denef, Sevrin, Troost]

$$A_m = \langle A_m \rangle + \delta A_m$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{STr} \sqrt{\det(\mathbf{1} + f)} \sqrt{-\det(\mathbf{1} + (\mathbf{1} - f^2)^{-1} \delta F - f(\mathbf{1} - f^2)^{-1} \delta F)} \\ = & \text{STr} \sqrt{\det(\mathbf{1} + f)} ((\text{tension}) + \text{YM with "metric" } (\mathbf{1} - f^2)^{-1}) + (\text{topological}) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha' F)^4 \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ expansion nonlocal $(\mathbf{1} - f^2)^{-1}$
- ▶ no moduli for cycles: specified by Kähler moduli + quantized flux

$$\mathbf{1} + f^2 = \begin{pmatrix} (1 + (\frac{m^1}{n^1})^2) \mathbf{1}_{N^1} & & & \\ & (1 + (\frac{m^2}{n^2})^2) \mathbf{1}_{N^2} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & (1 + (\frac{m^k}{n^k})^2) \mathbf{1}_{N^k} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Although there is a **single unified YM** coupling above M_U low energy coupling may be **different**

- ▶ Recombination occurs at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha' f)$: change the wrapping volume, thus the coupling
- ▶ From low energy: a large threshold correction from f

Weak mixing angle

U(1) parts $A_{\mu,U(1)} = \frac{1}{N} \text{Tr} A_{\mu,U(N)}$, $g_{U(1)}^2 = \frac{2}{N} g_{U(N)}^2$.
e.g. Madrid model

$$Q_Y = \frac{1}{3} Q_C - Q_L - Q_R,$$

From normalization of these gauge kinetic terms $\frac{1}{g_Y^2} = \sum_i \frac{N_i C_i^2}{2} \frac{1}{g_i^2}$

$$\frac{1}{g_Y^2} = \frac{1}{6} \frac{1}{g_C^2} + \frac{1}{g_L^2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{g_R^2} = \frac{5}{3} \frac{1}{g^2},$$

In the unified coupling limit, $g = g_L = g_R = g_C$, we have weak mixing angle at M_U

$$\sin^2 \theta_W = \frac{1}{g_Y^2/g^2 + 1} = \frac{3}{8}.$$

This is because $U(1)_{B-L} \times U(1)_R \subset SO(10)$

$$Q_Y = Q_B - Q_L - Q_R = \frac{1}{3} Q_C - Q_L - Q_R,$$

For $USp(2)$ rather than $SU(2)$, $\sin^2 \theta_W = \frac{6}{13}$.
cf. no spinorial **16**. A structure $SO(10) \subset SO(32)$.

Conclusions

For intersecting brane models wrapping on compact orbifolds.

- ▶ All the representations, including bifundamental, are embedded into an **adjoint**.
- ▶ Tadpole cancellation constrains these as **$SO(32)$** adjoint(s).
- ▶ Symmetry breaking is done via **brane separations and recombinations**.
- ▶ SUSY vacua are connected to **type I compactification**
- ▶ A **unified gauge coupling** can become different for subgroups below $M_U \sim \alpha'^{-1/2}$.
- ▶ Weak mixing angle $\sin^2 \theta_W = 3/8$.