

Dark Matter and Extra Dimensions

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1. SUSY's good properties:

- ▶ cancellation of scalar divergences
- ▶ unification of couplings
- ▶ existence of a stable light particle
- ▶ absence of a cosmological constant
- ▶ solution of the hierarchy problem . . . many more

2. SUSY's bad properties:

- ▶ it is not an exact symmetry
- ▶ breaking it it's difficult: spontaneous vs. explicit (tree level)

SUSY breaking

1. Soft SUSY breaking at low energy
 - ▶ structure of divergences
 - ▶ generate a gaugino mass but no cosmological constant
 - ▶ phen. input (CP violation data) to stop # of params

- ▶ But what is the mechanism that gives the low-energy result?

SUSY breaking
(Hidden sector)

Flavor-blind
 \implies
interactions

MSSM sector
(Visible sector)

Three solutions to this problem with similar features: primary breaking happens at a high energy scale with SSB

1. mSUGRA:

- ▶ gravity mediation with tree level Planck suppressed couplings. fine tuning of the form of the superpotential and Kähler potential
- ▶ neutralino is bino-like

2. GMSB (gauge mediation):

- ▶ mediation by gauge interactions
- ▶ LSP likely to be the gravitino

3. AMSB (anomaly mediation):

- ▶ SUSY breaking transmitted through R-symmetry and scale anomalies
- ▶ some scalars can be tachyonic

Heterotic String

- ▶ Extra dimensions are not new (Kaluza-Klein theories)
- ▶ String theories need extra dimensions for consistencies (anomaly cancellations)
- ▶ A new appealing application: lowering the unification scale
- ▶ A first example: the heterotic string (closed strings) or when things go wrong

$$S = \int d^{10}x \left[\frac{1}{g_H^2 \ell_H^8} R + \frac{1}{g_H^2 \ell_H^6} F^2 + \dots \right]$$

Upon compactification

$$\frac{1}{\ell_{Pl}^2} = \frac{V_6}{g_H^2 \ell_H^8} = \frac{1}{g_H^2} \frac{1}{\ell_H^2} \frac{V_6}{\ell_H^6} = \frac{1}{\ell_H^2} \frac{1}{g_{YM}^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{g_{YM}^2} = \frac{1}{g_H^2} \frac{V_6}{\ell_H^6} \implies \frac{g_H^2}{g_{YM}^2} = \frac{V_6}{\ell_H^6}$$

Then $M_{Pl}^2 = g_{YM}^2 M_H^2 \implies M_{Pl}^2 \approx M_H^2$. Moreover since $g_H^2 \approx 1 \implies V_6 \approx \ell_H^6$: **the compactification volume has string size length!!**

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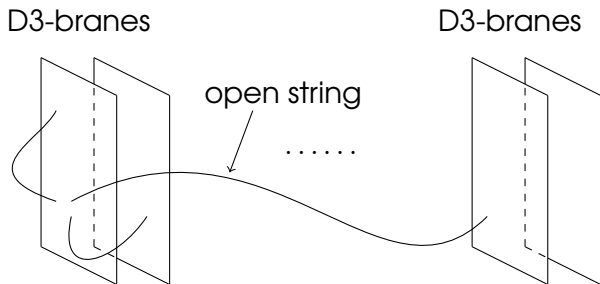
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$$S = \int d^{10}x \frac{1}{g_I^2 \ell_I^8} R + \int d^{p+1}x \frac{1}{g_I \ell_I^{p-3}} F^2 + \dots$$

Upon compactification

$$\frac{1}{\ell_{Pl}^2} = \frac{V_{||} V_{\perp}}{\ell_I^8} \frac{1}{g_I^2} = \frac{V_{||} V_{\perp}}{\ell_I^8} \frac{1}{g_{YM}^2 \nu_{||}^2} = \frac{\ell_I^{p-11}}{g_{YM}^4} \frac{V_{\perp}}{\nu_{||}}$$
$$\frac{1}{g_{YM}^2} = \frac{V_{||}}{g_I \ell_I^{p-3}} \implies g_I = g_{YM}^2 \nu_{||}$$

- ▶ Taking $g_i \approx 1$ leads to $\mathcal{V}_{||} = \frac{V_{||}}{\ell_i^{p-3}} \approx 1$ i.e. the longitudinal volume is of the order of the string length.
- ▶ On the other side $V_{\perp} = R_{\perp}^{9-p}$ is unconstrained. If $\ell_i \approx 1 \text{ TeV}$ than $R_{\perp} = 10^8 \text{ km}$, $.1 \text{ mm}$ down to $.1 \text{ Fermi}$ for $n = 9 - p = 1, 2, 6$ large dimensions.
- ▶ So there are values of the compactified transverse dimensions for which string (quantum gravity) effects are as low as the TeV scale.

General scenario

- ▶ So we have seen that in some string models we can have large transverse dimensions
- ▶ The effects of compactifying, from the field theory point of view, reduce to the presence of massive KK modes with $p_i \equiv n_i/R_{\perp}$ and
$$m_n^2 = m_0^2 + \frac{\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{n}}{R_{\perp}^2}$$
- ▶ Models that look at phenomenology in this general scenario are called bottom-up. Models that try to build consistent D-branes models (with the standard model field content, no tachyons, fixed moduli etc.) are called top-down. In the following we will discuss a model of the former type, achieving unification at the TeV scale.

- ▶ Let $\vec{x} \equiv (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$ and $\vec{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_\delta)$, $\delta = D - 4$ with $y_j \rightarrow y_j + 2\pi R_\perp$

$$\Phi(x, y) = \sum_{(n_1, \dots, n_\delta) \in \mathbb{Z}^\delta} \phi^{(n)}(x) e^{i n \cdot y / R_\perp}$$

- ▶ Not all MSSM have KK states. For example chiral states, to form a KK mass must appear together with their chiral conjugate mirror. Let η be the # generations with KK states item $\eta = 0$: the KK states of the two Higgs and the KK vector bosons + 1 chiral supermultiplet get arranged into two $N = 2$ multiplets

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1. The appearance of $N = 2$ multiplets is not surprising
 - ▶ Extra dimensions imply extended SUSY
 - ▶ $N = 2$ needed for á la Wilson renormalization
2. For $\eta > 0$ the KK excitations of the chiral fermions appear with their mirrors
3. But how it is possible to have $N = 2$ multiplets if zero modes are $N = 1$? And how it is possible to decouple some particles from the others?

- Let's take $\delta = 1$ and $\Phi(x) = \Phi_+(x) + \Phi_-(x)$

$$\Phi_+(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [\Phi^{(n)}(x) + \Phi^{(-n)}(x)] \cos(ny/R_{\perp})$$

$$\Phi_-(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [\Phi^{(n)}(x) - \Phi^{(-n)}(x)] \sin(ny/R_{\perp})$$

- Now we have

$$\Phi_+(x, -y) = +\Phi_+(x, y)$$

$$\Phi_-(x, -y) = -\Phi_-(x, y)$$

- $\Phi_-(x)$ lacks a zero mode so A, λ can be even while the chiral multiplet odd

Compactifying on orbifolds

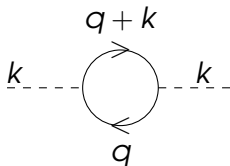
- ▶ The condition $y \rightarrow -y$ defines an orbifold: S^1 with opposite points identified i.e. S^1/\mathbb{Z}_2 :
 $\mathbb{Z}_2 = \{\omega; \omega^2 = 1 : \omega = 1, \omega = \exp(i\pi) = -1\}$
- ▶ The orbifold has special points: the fixed points $y^{(A)} = 0, y^{(B)} = \pi R_\perp$

$$\Phi(x, y) = \Phi^{(A)}(x)\delta(y) + \Phi^{(B)}(x)\delta(y - \pi R_\perp)$$

- ▶ Fields at orbifold points have no KK tower of states
- ▶ Orbifolds work for closed strings, for open strings we need orientifolds

Early Unification

Let's compute the vacuum polarization



$$\begin{aligned}\Pi &\approx \sum_{n_i=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} \left\{ \frac{-(k+q) \cdot q + 2m_n^2}{(q^2 - m_n^2)[(k+q)^2 - m_n^2]} \right\} \\ &\approx \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dt}{t} \left[\vartheta_3 \left(\frac{it}{\pi R_{\perp}^2} \right) \right]^{\delta}\end{aligned}$$

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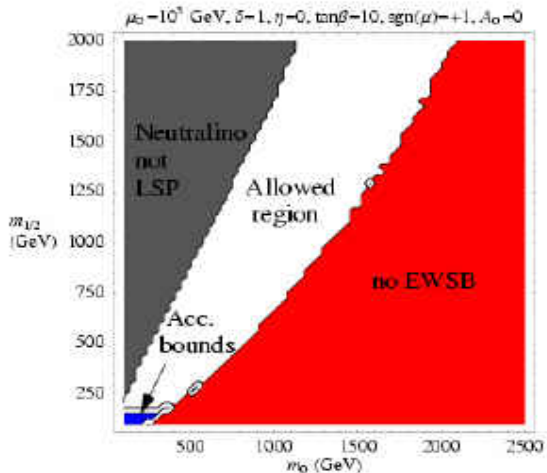
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Finally putting $\mu_0 = R_{\perp}^{-1}$ we find

$$\alpha_i^{-1}(\Lambda) = \alpha_i^{-1}(\mu_0) - \frac{b_i - \tilde{b}_i}{2\pi} \ln \frac{\Lambda}{\mu_0} - \frac{\tilde{b}_i \chi_{\delta}}{2\pi\delta} \left[\left(\frac{\Lambda}{\mu_0} \right)^{\delta} - 1 \right]$$



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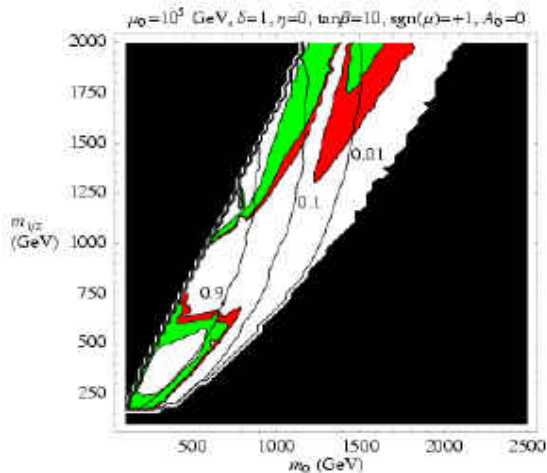
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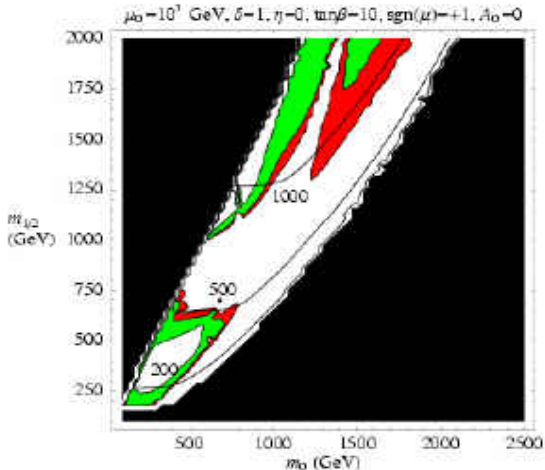
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