Large Volume Flux Compactifications and Open Strings



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KKLT1, LGVol: light squarks \Rightarrow squark production \Rightarrow (electric) charge asymmetry G_2 : heavy squarks \Rightarrow gluino production \Rightarrow less charge asymmetry



different MSSM models:

- satisfy (at least some) accelerator constraints
- give WMAP cosmological dark matter relic density



GLAST (launch May 16, 2008): up to 300 GeV



<u>What is the "added value"</u> <u>of string phenomenology?</u> (compared to standard MSSM phenomenology)

First of all: if TeV string scale: radically different!

- long shot, but might keep in mind
- experience so far: difficult to satisfy experimental constraints

Here: string scale >> TeV

string theory gives some effective field theory... but if that's it, so what?

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<u>Why? (really...)</u> Naturalness Naturalness Naturalness

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remainder of talk: classes of string phenomenologies that predict something?



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closed string (would-be) moduli: S, T_i, U_{α}

$$K = -\ln(S + \bar{S}) - 2\ln\mathcal{V}(T_i + \bar{T}_i) + K^U$$

 $W = W_{\text{flux}} + W_{\text{np}}$ stabilize *S* and *U* (i.e. minimize potential *V* with respect to *S* and *U*)

$$W = W_0 + \sum_i A_i e^{-a_i T_i}$$



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KKLT: external space deSitter

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here: Minkowski external space

closed string moduli potential:

$$V = (\text{terms that vanish as } W_{np} \to 0)$$
$$+e^{K} (G^{\bar{\jmath}i} K_{\bar{\jmath}} K_{i} - 3) |W|^{2}$$

for tree-level *K* from previous slide,

$$G^{\overline{\jmath}i}K_{\overline{\jmath}}K_i = 3 \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad V(T) = 0$$

"no-scale structure"
at supergravity tree-level

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$$\frac{V}{e^{K}} = e^{-a\tau} \left(4|A|^2 a\tau e^{-a\tau} \left(\frac{1}{3}a\tau + 1 \right) - 4a\tau |A||W_0| \right)$$

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Some drawbacks with original KKLT

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- only works for limited range of a, W_0, A
- volume not stabilized big (no "problem", but see later)
- supersymmetry breaking "at the end" (least understood part)
- "two-step stabilization" (S, U, then T) sometimes fails (not algorithmic)

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Truncation problem: it typically makes no sense to attempt to "improve" any leading-order string model by string/ quantum corrections

LVS is one case where this intuition may fail (under investigation!)

$$\{T_i\} \rightarrow \{T_b\}, \{T_s\}$$
special
Calabi-Yau
$$K = K_{\text{KKLT}} + \xi \frac{S_1^{3/2}}{\mathcal{V}} \qquad (\tau_i = \text{Re} T_i)$$

$$W = W_{\text{KKLT}} \qquad (\text{higher derivative})$$
correction
$$\text{Becker, Becker, Haack, Louis}$$

LVS moduli stabilization

change variables $(\tau_b, \tau_s) \rightarrow (\mathcal{V}, \tau_s)$ variables $(T_{\rm b}, T_{\rm s}) \rightarrow (V, \tau_{\rm s})$ $X = Ae^{-a\tau_{\rm s}}$ $V = (\dots)\frac{X^2}{\mathcal{V}} + (\dots)\frac{X}{\mathcal{V}^2} + (\dots)\frac{\xi}{\mathcal{V}^3}$ $\frac{\partial V}{\partial \mathcal{V}} = 0 \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad \mathcal{V} = \frac{f(\tau_{\rm s})}{X}$ $(\tau_i = \operatorname{Re} T_i)$ $\frac{\partial V}{\partial \tau_{\rm s}} = 0 \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad X = \frac{g(\tau_{\rm s})}{\mathcal{V}}$ $\Rightarrow \quad f(\tau_{\rm s}) = g(\tau_{\rm s})$ $\stackrel{a\tau_{\rm s}\gg1}{\Longrightarrow} \quad \tau_{\rm s}\sim \xi^{2/3}$ dial: $\mathcal{V} \sim 10^{15} \ell_{\odot}^{6}$ $\Rightarrow \quad \mathcal{V} \sim e^{a \tau_{\rm s}}$

Why $\mathcal{V} \sim 10^{15} \ell_{\rm s}^6$?

Conlon, Quevedo, Suruliz '05

- 1. Why is big good?
 - α' (inverse volume) expansion under control
 - "two-step" integrating out becomes algorithmic
 - matter fields: $K(\phi, \bar{\phi}) \sim \mathcal{V}^p k(\phi, \bar{\phi})$
 - soft supersymmetry breaking terms: simplifications



Sample soft terms: gaugino masses

Conlon, Abdussalam, Quevedo, Suruliz '06

Assume MSSM

$$\begin{split} M_{a} &= \frac{1}{2 \operatorname{Re} f_{a}} \sum_{I} F^{I} \partial_{I} f_{a} \\ F^{\tau_{s}} &= e^{K/2} (G^{\bar{s}s} \partial_{\bar{s}} \bar{W} + (G^{\bar{s}s} K_{\bar{s}} + G^{\bar{b}s} K_{\bar{b}}) \bar{W}) \\ &= 2\tau_{s} e^{K/2} \bar{W}_{0} \left(\left(1 - \frac{3}{4a\tau_{s}} \right) - 1 + \ldots \right) \\ M_{s} | &\sim \frac{m_{3/2}}{\ln(M_{P}/m_{3/2})} \left(1 + \frac{(\ldots)}{\ln(M_{P}/m_{3/2})} + \ldots \right) \end{split}$$

Gaugino masses suppressed by factor of 30 compared to gravitino mass

"Mirror mediation"

Conlon '07

(cf. heterotic model-building) Kaplunovsky, Louis '93

Flavor structure from only one kind of modulus (here U)

soft scalar masses
$$m_{\alpha\beta}^2 = m^2 \delta_{\alpha\beta} + \frac{f_{\alpha\beta}(U)}{M} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{M^2}\right)$$

- \bullet New nonrenormalizable couplings at each mass threshold M
- Hard to calculate $f_{\alpha\beta}(U)$ in concrete models

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Consistency conditions

M.B., Haack, Pajer '07, + work in progress

$$\Delta K_{\alpha'} : \Delta K_{g_{\rm s}} \sim \alpha'^3 : g_s^2 \alpha'^2$$

dimensional analysis:

$$\Delta K_{\alpha'} \sim g_{\rm s}^{-3/2} \mathcal{V}^{-1}$$
$$\Delta K_{g_{\rm s}} \sim g_{\rm s} \mathcal{V}^{-2/3}$$

cancellation (to be shown):

$$\Delta V_{\alpha'} \sim g_{\rm s}^{-1/2} \mathcal{V}^{-3}$$
$$\Delta V_{g_{\rm s}} \sim g_{\rm s} \mathcal{V}^{-3}$$

should consider D-brane corrections in LVS!

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for "Swiss cheese" Calabi-Yaus, loop corrections negligible ...can we trust these estimates?

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gauge coupling corrections ~ eigenfunction of Laplacian – claim that this is **open/closed duality**

> • generalize to warped deformed conifold (!) with general holomorphic D7-brane embedding specified by integers p_i

$$A = A_0 \left(\frac{\mu^P - \prod_{i=1}^4 w_i^{p_i}}{\mu^P} \right)^{1/N_{\text{D7}}} \qquad P = \sum_{i=1}^4 p_i$$

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much work left to do!

Summary

- Variants of KKLT can be surprisingly controllable
- Checks must be performed whole classes can disappear
- Existing results, if correct, are potentially interesting for LHC counting signatures and SUSY dark matter
- With more details, would be more interesting...
- Development about loop corrections in very general backgrounds interesting in its own right

<u>Outlook</u>

..., Dine, Seiberg, Thomas '07 Randall '07

- What about nonrenormalizable operators? "BMSSM"?
- What about LVS for other Calabi-Yaus?
- Check "Green's function method" in simpler (!) cases
- Cosmology very interesting but even trickier
 - brane inflation (time-dependence?)
 - dark energy? (need uplift details...)