

Interpolation and Exponentially Suppressed Cosmological Constant in Non-Supersymmetric Heterotic Strings with General Z_2 Twists

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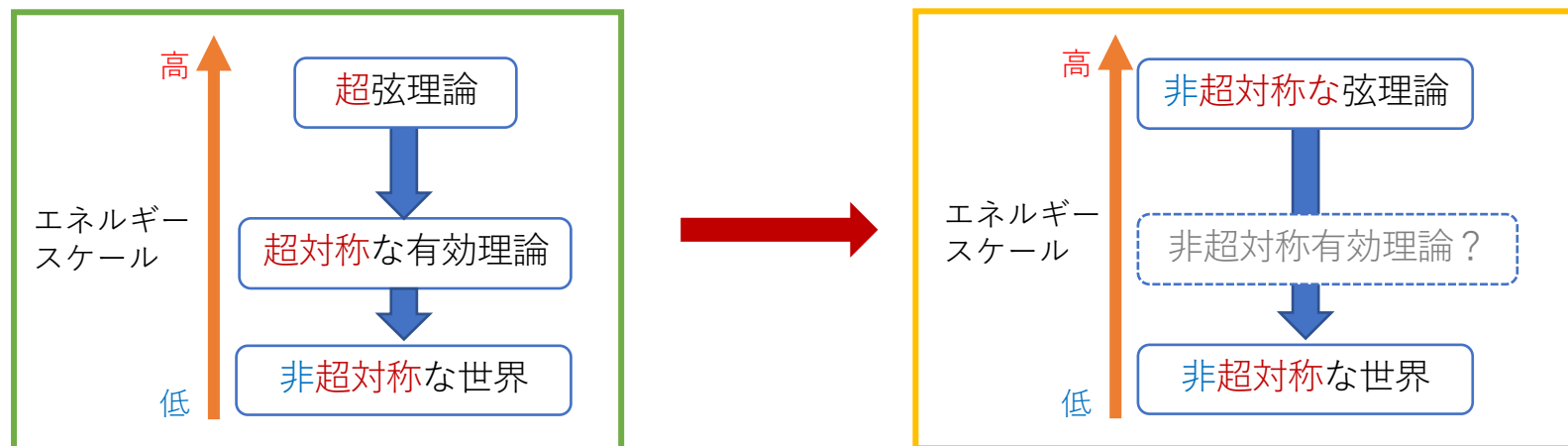
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Introduction

- 加速器実験
⇒ 到達可能なエネルギースケールではSUSYの証拠なし
- String/Planck scale 程度の高エネルギー領域で
既にSUSYが破れている可能性

➔ 非超対称な弦理論 (Non-SUSY string) に注目

(概略図)



Introduction

- 10次元の弦理論 (with modular invariance) :

- Type IIB
- Type IIA
- Type I
- Heterotic $SO(32)$
- Heterotic $E_8 \times E_8$

例外群

- Type 0B
- Type 0A
- Heterotic $SO(32)$
- Heterotic $SO(16) \times E_8$
- Heterotic $SO(16) \times SO(16)$
- Heterotic $E_7^2 \times SU(2)^2$
- Heterotic $SO(24) \times SO(8)$
- ...

tachyon free

(Strings with SUSY) < # (Strings without SUSY)

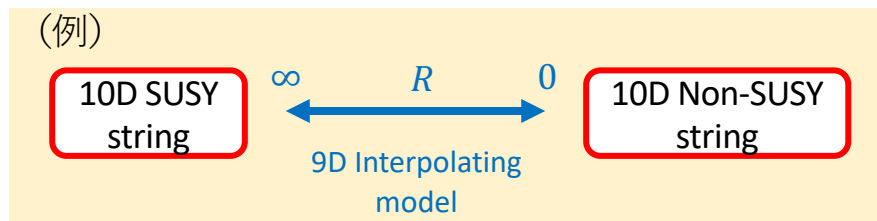
- Non-SUSY “Heterotic” string theoryに焦点を当てる
(後述)

Introduction

➤ Non-SUSY stringの問題点：宇宙定数が極めて大きくなる

Our approach :

Interpolating model



SUSYが漸近的に回復する $R \approx \infty$ の領域での宇宙定数：

Itoyama, Taylor (1986)

$$\Lambda^{(9)} = (n_F - n_B)\xi/R^9 + \mathcal{O}\left(e^{-R/\sqrt{\alpha'}}\right) \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \xi : \text{positive const.} \\ n_B, n_F : \# \text{ of massless B, F} \end{array} \right]$$

- $n_F = n_B \Rightarrow$ 指数関数的に抑圧された宇宙定数をもつ
- しかしモジュライ不安定性の問題（最小値negative等）があった
- 構成法：1方向に対してのみ \mathbf{Z}_2 Scherk-Schwarz twists

任意の次元数に対して \mathbf{Z}_2 twistsして得られる模型を調べた

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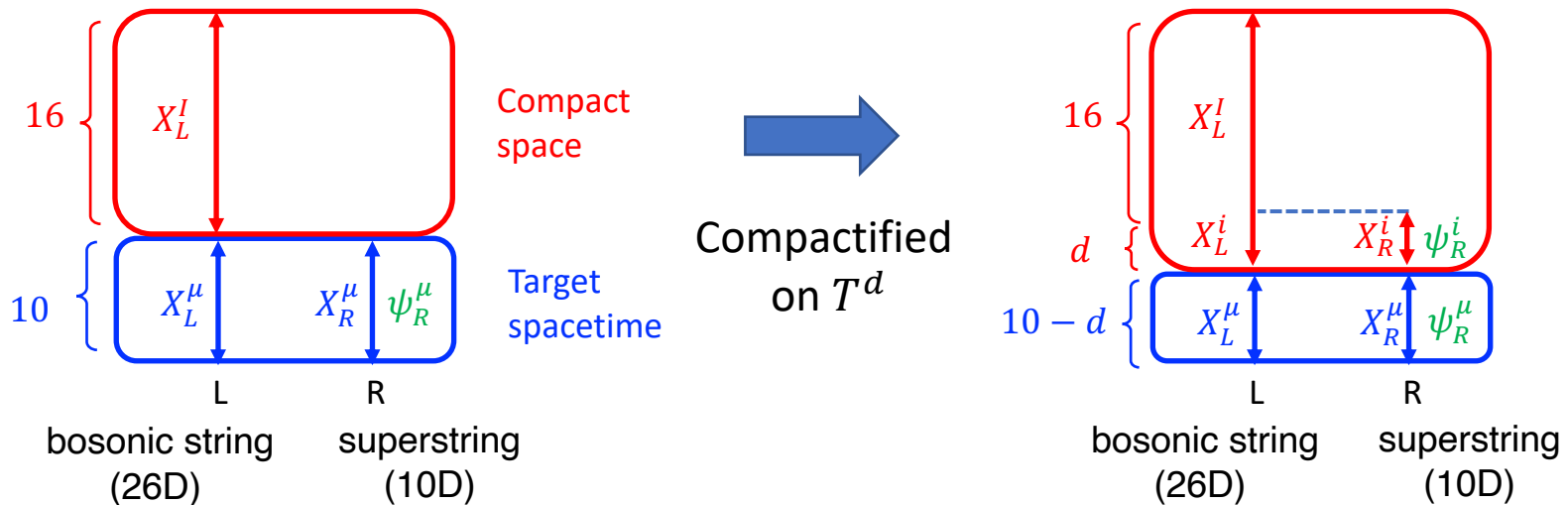
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Heterotic Superstring

Gross, Harvey, Martinec, Rohm (1985)

- Hybrid (“heterotic”) theory including only closed strings:
 - Left: bosonic string (26D)
 - Right: superstring (10D)
- Compactified on T^d (with maximal SUSY)



- $X_{L,R}^\mu, X_{L,R}^{I,i} / \psi_R^{\mu,i}$: bosonic / fermionic coordinates
 $(\mu = 0, \dots, 9 - d, i = 10 - d, \dots, 9, I = 1, \dots, 16)$

Heterotic Superstring

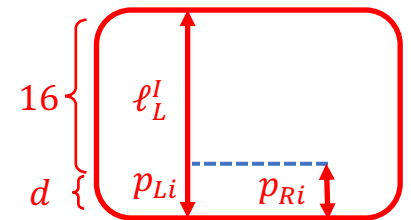
➤ The internal momenta $P = (\ell_L, p_L; p_R) \in \Gamma^{16+d,d}$

- Narain lattice: even self-dual lattice w/ Lorentz. sign. $(16 + d, d)$
- Labeled by an integer vector $Z = (q^I, \underline{m}^i, \underline{n}_i) \in \mathbf{Z}^{16} \times \mathbf{Z}^d \times \mathbf{Z}^d$
winding numbers KK momenta
- Turn on full moduli: $d(d + 16) = d^2 + 16d \Rightarrow (G_{ij} + B_{ij}) + A_i^I$
- Consider a rectangular d -torus: $G_{ij} = R_i^2 \delta_{ij}$

Narain, Sarmadi, Witten, (1986)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \ell_L^I = \pi^I - m^i A_i^I, \\ p_{Li} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}R_i} \left(\pi \cdot A_i + n_i + m^j \left(G_{ij} + B_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} A_i \cdot A_j \right) \right) \\ p_{Ri} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}R_i} \left(\pi \cdot A_i + n_i - m^j \left(G_{ij} - B_{ij} + \frac{1}{2} A_i \cdot A_j \right) \right) \end{array} \right.$$

$$\pi^I \equiv q^I \alpha_{16} \in \Gamma^{16} \Leftarrow Spin(32)/\mathbf{Z}_2 \text{ or } E_8 \times E_8 \text{ lattice}$$



Construction of Non-SUSY Hetero

Dixon, Harvey (1986)
Ginsparg, Vafa (1987)

➤ Z_2 freely acting orbifold (stringy Scherk-Schwarz comp.)

- Project out SUSY hetero on T^d by $\frac{1 + (-)^F \alpha}{2}$ (+ twisted sec. added)

$$Z_2 \text{ generator : } (-)^F \alpha \left\{ \begin{array}{l} F: \text{spacetime fermion \#} \\ \alpha: \text{shift of order 2 such as } \alpha |P\rangle = e^{2\pi i P \cdot \delta} |P\rangle \end{array} \right.$$

- δ is called a shift vector : $2\delta \in \Gamma^{16+d,d}$

- labeled by a vector $\hat{Z} = (\hat{q}^l, \hat{m}^i, \hat{n}_i)$ whose components are 0 or 1

↳ Non-SUSY strings depend on \hat{Z}

- Splitting the Narain lattice $\Gamma^{16+d,d}$ into $\Gamma_+^{16+d,d}$ and $\Gamma_-^{16+d,d}$:

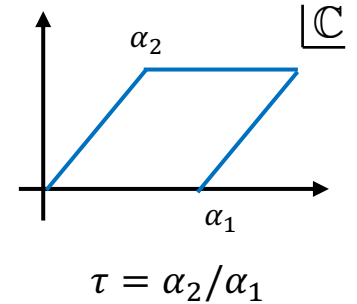
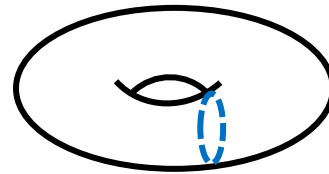
$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_+^{16+d,d} &= \{ P \in \Gamma^{16+d,d} \mid \delta \cdot P \in \mathbb{Z} \} \\ \Gamma_-^{16+d,d} &= \{ P \in \Gamma^{16+d,d} \mid \delta \cdot P \in \mathbb{Z} + 1/2 \} \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha |P\rangle = \begin{cases} + |P\rangle & \text{for } P \in \Gamma_+^{16+d,d} \\ - |P\rangle & \text{for } P \in \Gamma_-^{16+d,d} \end{cases}$$

Boson/Fermion lives in $\Gamma_+^{16+d,d} / \Gamma_-^{16+d,d}$ respectively \Rightarrow SUSY breaking

1-loop Partition Function

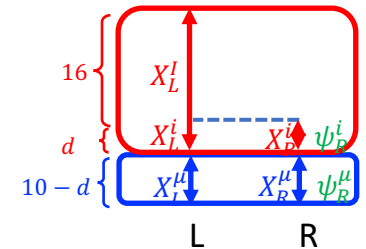
- Heterotic strings on T^d (with maximal SUSY)

$$Z^{T^d} = \underbrace{Z_B^{(8-d)}}_{X_L^\mu, X_R^\mu} \underbrace{(\bar{V}_8 - \bar{S}_8)}_{\psi_R^\mu, \psi_R^i} \underbrace{Z_{\Gamma^{16+d,d}}}_{X_L^i, X_L^i, X_R^i}$$



orbifolding
by $(-)^F \alpha$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} Z_B^{(8-d)} = \tau_2^{-\frac{8-d}{2}} (\eta\bar{\eta})^{-(8-d)} \\ Z_{\Gamma^{16+d,d}} = \eta^{-(16+d)} \bar{\eta}^{-d} \sum_{p \in \Gamma^{16+d,d}} q^{\frac{1}{2}p_L^2} \bar{q}^{\frac{1}{2}p_R^2} \\ q = e^{2\pi i \tau}, V_8, S_8, O_8, C_8: SO(8) \text{ characters} \end{array} \right)$$



- Non-SUSY Heterotic strings

$$Z_{(\hat{Z})}^{SUSY} = Z_B^{(8-d)} \left\{ \underbrace{\bar{V}_8 Z_{\Gamma_+^{16+d,d}}}_{\text{vector}} - \underbrace{\bar{S}_8 Z_{\Gamma_-^{16+d,d}}}_{\text{spinor}} + \underbrace{\bar{O}_8 Z_{\Gamma_{\pm}^{16+d,d} + \delta}}_{\text{scalar}} - \underbrace{\bar{C}_8 Z_{\Gamma_{\mp}^{16+d,d} + \delta}}_{\text{co-spinor}} \right\}$$

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Endpoint limits & Interpolations

➤ Consider $d = 1, 2$ cases with $A = B = 0$

- 1-loop partition function:

$$Z_{(\hat{Z})}^{SUSY} = Z_B^{(8-d)} \left\{ \bar{V}_8 \underline{Z_{\Gamma_+^{16+d,d}}} - \bar{S}_8 \underline{Z_{\Gamma_-^{16+d,d}}} + \bar{O}_8 \underline{Z_{\Gamma_{\pm}^{16+d,d+\delta}}} - \bar{C}_8 \underline{Z_{\Gamma_{\mp}^{16+d,d+\delta}}} \right\}$$

- The behavior of $Z_{\Gamma_{\pm}^{16+d,d} (+\delta)}$ in the limits of $R_i \rightarrow 0, \infty$
 - Take $R_i \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow$ only $m^i = 0$ contributes ($i = 1, 2$)
 - Take $R_i \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$ only $n_i = 0$ contributes

Example in $d = 1$ with $(\hat{m}^1, \hat{n}_1) = (1, 0)$:

$$Z_{\Gamma_{\pm}^{17,1}} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R_1}{\sqrt{\tau_2}} (\eta\bar{\eta})^{-1} Z_{\Gamma_{\pm}^{16}}, \quad Z_{\Gamma_{\pm}^{17,1+\delta}} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow \infty} 0, \quad \text{SUSY}$$

$$Z_{\Gamma_{\pm}^{17,1}} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{R_1 \sqrt{\tau_2}} (\eta\bar{\eta})^{-1} Z_{\Gamma_{\pm}^{16}}, \quad Z_{\Gamma_{\pm}^{17,1+\delta}} \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{R_1 \sqrt{\tau_2}} (\eta\bar{\eta})^{-1} Z_{\Gamma_{\pm}^{16+\frac{\pi}{2}}}. \quad \text{Non-SUSY}$$

Endpoint limits & Interpolations

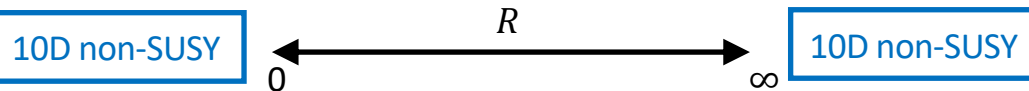
- 9D Non-SUSY heterotic models ($d = 1$)

Itoyama, Koga, Nkajima (2021)

$$(\hat{Z} = (\hat{q}, \hat{m}, \hat{n}) \in \mathbf{Z}^{16} \times \mathbf{Z} \times \mathbf{Z})$$

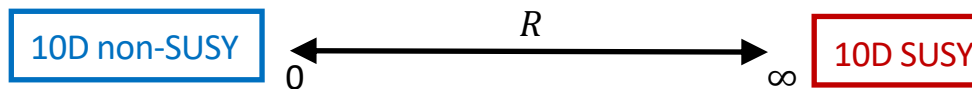
$$\begin{matrix} \text{red L} \\ \text{red R} \end{matrix} \rightarrow \hat{\pi} = \hat{q} \alpha_{16} \in \Gamma^{16}$$

- class (1): $|\hat{\pi}|^2 = 0 \pmod{4}$, $(\hat{m}, \hat{n}) = (0; 0)$



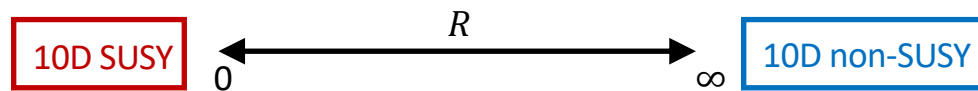
non-SUSY heterotic strings on a circle

- class (2): $|\hat{\pi}|^2 = 0 \pmod{4}$, $(\hat{m}, \hat{n}) = (1; 0)$



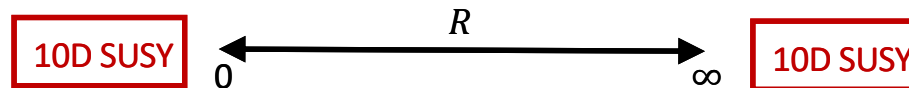
Itoyama, Taylor '86

- class (3): $|\hat{\pi}|^2 = 0 \pmod{4}$, $(\hat{m}, \hat{n}) = (0; 1)$



interpolation between SUSY and non-SUSY vacua (Interpolating model)

- class (4): $|\hat{\pi}|^2 = 2 \pmod{4}$, $(\hat{m}, \hat{n}) = (1; 1)$



SUSY restored at both of the endpoints

Endpoint limits & Interpolations

- 8D Non-SUSY heterotic models ($d = 2$)

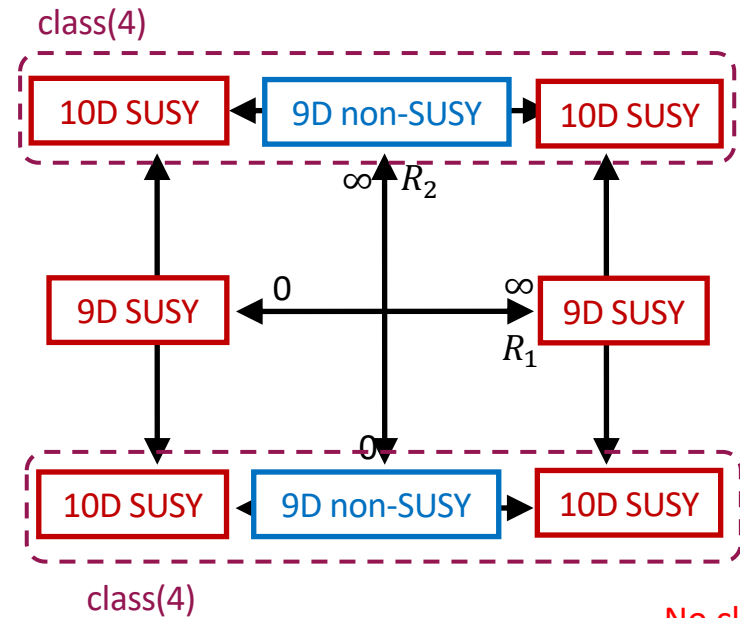
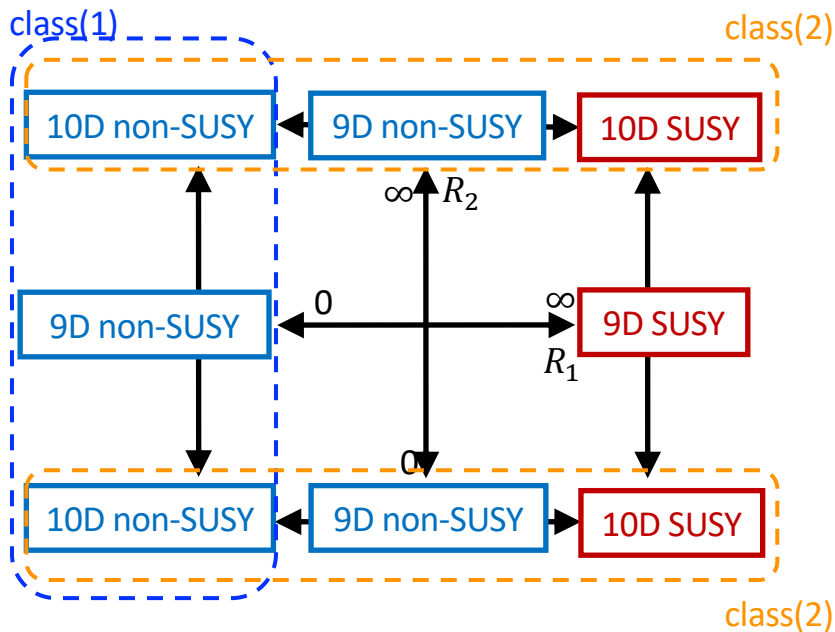
Koga (2022)

- class (1) & (2) :

$$|\hat{\pi}|^2 = 0 \pmod{4}, (\hat{m}; \hat{n}) = (1,0; 0,0)$$

- class (1) & (4) :

$$|\hat{\pi}|^2 = 2 \pmod{4}, (\hat{m}; \hat{n}) = (1,0; 1,0)$$



No class(1)

10D (Non-)SUSY
condition

Limits of R_1, R_2	10D SUSY model	10D Non-SUSY model
$(R_1, R_2) \rightarrow (\infty, \infty)$	$\hat{m}^1 + \hat{m}^2 > 0$	$\hat{m}^1 + \hat{m}^2 = 0$
$(R_1, R_2) \rightarrow (\infty, 0)$	$\hat{m}^1 + \hat{n}_2 > 0$	$\hat{m}^1 + \hat{n}_2 = 0$
$(R_1, R_2) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$	$\hat{n}_1 + \hat{m}^2 > 0$	$\hat{n}_1 + \hat{m}^2 = 0$
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Cosmological Constant

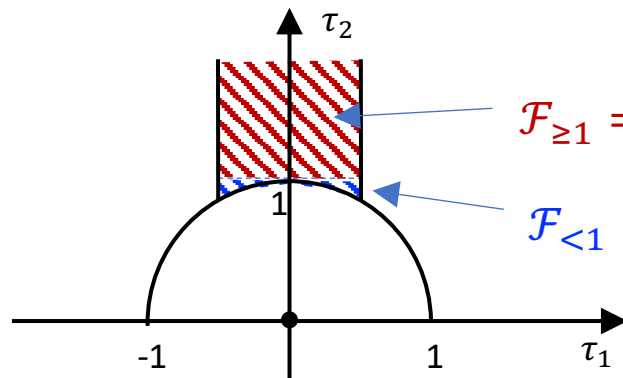
- 1-loop cosmological constant (vacuum energy density) :

$$\Lambda^{(10-d)} = -\frac{1}{2} (2\pi\sqrt{\alpha'})^{-(10-d)} \int_{\mathcal{F}} \frac{d^2\tau}{\tau_2^2} Z_{(\hat{Z})}^{SUSY}$$

Fundamental Region :

$$\mathcal{F} = \left\{ \tau = \tau_1 + i\tau_2 \in \mathbb{C} \mid -\frac{1}{2} \leq \tau_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}, |\tau| \geq 1 \right\}$$

- decompose \mathcal{F} into $\mathcal{F}_{\geq 1} = \{\tau \in \mathcal{F} | \tau_2 \geq 1\}$ and $\mathcal{F}_{<1} = \{\tau \in \mathcal{F} | \tau_2 < 1\}$



$\mathcal{F}_{\geq 1} = \{\tau \in \mathcal{F} | \tau_2 \geq 1\}$ The integral can be evaluated

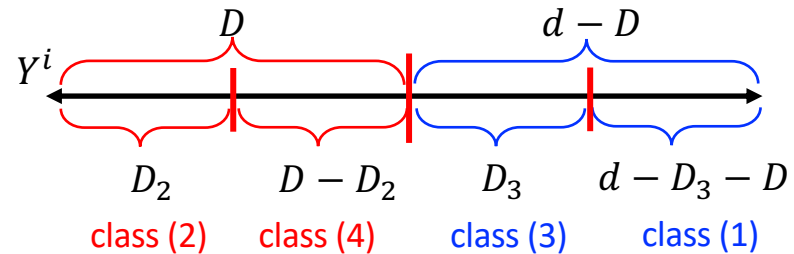
$\mathcal{F}_{<1} = \{\tau \in \mathcal{F} | \tau_2 < 1\}$ exp. suppressed

(10-d)D non-SUSY Heterotic models

- Consider compact coordinates Y^i ($i = 1, \dots, d$) below :

$$i = \underbrace{a_{(2)}}_{\text{class (2)}} + \underbrace{a_{(4)}}_{\text{class (4)}} + \underbrace{b_{(3)}}_{\text{class (3)}} + \underbrace{b_{(1)}}_{\text{class (1)}}$$

class (#) in 9D



- Assignment of (\hat{m}, \hat{n}) :

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 (\hat{m}^{a_{(2)}}, \hat{n}_{a_{(2)}}) = \boxed{(1, 0)} & \text{for } a_{(2)} = 1, \dots, D_2 \\
 (\hat{m}^{a_{(4)}}, \hat{n}_{a_{(4)}}) = \boxed{(1, 1)} & \text{for } a_{(4)} = D_2 + 1, \dots, D \\
 (\hat{m}^{b_{(3)}}, \hat{n}_{b_{(3)}}) = \boxed{(0, 1)} & \text{for } b_{(3)} = D + 1, \dots, D + D_3 \\
 (\hat{m}^{b_{(1)}}, \hat{n}_{b_{(1)}}) = \boxed{(0, 0)} & \text{for } b_{(1)} = D + D_3 + 1, \dots, d
 \end{array}
 \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \\ \end{array}} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{SUSY at } R_a \rightarrow \infty \\ \\ \text{Non-SUSY at } R_b \rightarrow \infty \end{array}$$

Formula for CC

- Consider $D \geq 1$: SUSY is restored at all $R_i \approx \infty$
 - Up to exponentially suppressed terms,

$$\Lambda^{(10-d)} \sim -\frac{4! \cdot 2^{d-1}}{\pi^{15-d} (\sqrt{\alpha'})^{10-d}} \left(\prod_{i=1}^d R_i \right) \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \left\{ \sum_{a=1}^D (2n_a - 1)^2 R_a^2 + \sum_{b=D+1}^d (2n_b)^2 R_b^2 \right\}^{-5} \\ \times 8 \left(24 + \sum_{\pi \in \Delta_g} \exp \left[2\pi i \left\{ \sum_{a=1}^D (2n_a - 1)(\pi \cdot A_a) + \sum_{b=D+1}^d n_b (\pi \cdot A_b) \right\} \right] \right)$$

Δ_g : nonzero roots of $SO(32)$ or $E_8 \times E_8$

\Rightarrow CC does not depend on all the other endpoint models

massless
condition



$$2\pi \cdot A_a \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\pi \cdot A_b \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Lambda^{(10-d)} \sim \frac{4! \cdot 2^{d-1}}{\pi^{15-d}} \left(\prod_{i=1}^d R_i \right) \sum_{\vec{n}} \left\{ \sum_a (2n_a - 1)^2 R_a^2 + \sum_b (2n_b)^2 R_b^2 \right\}^{-5} (n_F - n_B)$$

Solutions of $n_F = n_B$

➤ SUSY $SO(32)$ endpoint models:

$$\Delta_{SO(32)} = \{ (\pm, \pm, 0^{14}) \}$$

➤ Simplest configurations:

- A_a^I ($a = 1, \dots, D$) are the same configuration
- A_b^I ($b = D + 1, \dots, d$) is taken to be 0

$$A_a = \left(0^p, \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^q \right) \quad (p + q = 16), \quad A_b = (0^{16})$$

- $D \in 2\mathbf{Z}$: $n_F - n_B = -504 \neq 0$
- $D \in 2\mathbf{Z} + 1$: $n_F - n_B = 4pq - \{2p(p - 1) + 2q(q - 1)\} - 24$
 $n_F = n_B \Rightarrow (p, q) = (9, 7), (7, 9)$

CC is exp. supp. when gauge group is $SO(18) \times SO(14)$

Wilson-line Moduli Stability (1)

- SUSY $SO(32)$ endpoint models:

$$\Lambda^{(10-d)} \sim - \sum_{\mathbf{n}} C_{\mathbf{n}} \left(24 + 4 \sum_{1 \leq I < J \leq 16} \cos [2\pi\theta^I] \cos [2\pi\theta^J] \right)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \theta^I = \sum_{a=1}^D (2n_a - 1) \underline{A_a^I} + \sum_{b=D+1}^d n_b \underline{A_b^I} \quad \text{sum of WLS} \\ C_{\mathbf{n}} = \frac{4! \cdot 2^{d+2}}{\pi^{15-d} (\sqrt{\alpha'})^{10-d}} \left(\prod_{i=1}^d R_i \right) \left\{ \sum_{a=1}^D (2n_a - 1)^2 R_a^2 + \sum_{b=D+1}^d (2n_b)^2 R_b^2 \right\}^{-5} \end{array} \right.$$

- Simplest configurations are critical points:

$$A_a = \left(0^p, \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^q \right) \quad (p + q = 16), \quad A_b = (0^{16})$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial \Lambda^{(10-d)}}{\partial A_i^I} \sim 0 \quad (I = 1, \dots, 16, \quad i = 1, \dots, d)$$

Wilson-line Moduli Stability (2)

➤ Hessian matrix:

- Simplest configurations

$$A_a = \left(0^p, \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^q \right) \quad (p + q = 16), \quad A_b = (0^{16})$$

- $D \in 2\mathbf{Z}$:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \Lambda^{(10-d)}}{\partial A_i^I \partial A_j^J} \sim \xi \delta_{IJ} \delta_{ij} \quad (I, J = 1, \dots, 16, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, d) \quad \xi > 0$$

⇒ Hessian is **positive** definite

- A global **minimum** when the gauge group is $SO(32)$ and no massless fermions exist ($\Lambda < 0$)

Wilson-line Moduli Stability (3)

➤ Hessian matrix:

- Simplest configurations

$$A_a = \left(0^p, \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^q \right) \quad (p + q = 16), \quad A_b = (0^{16})$$

- $D \in 2\mathbf{Z} + 1$:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \Lambda^{(10-d)}}{\partial A_i^I \partial A_j^J} \sim \begin{cases} (2p - 17) \xi' \delta_{IJ} \delta_{ij} & (I = 1, \dots, p), \\ (-2p + 15) \xi' \delta_{IJ} \delta_{ij} & (I = p + 1, \dots, 16) \end{cases} \quad \xi' > 0$$

⇒ Hessian is **positive/negative** definite for $p = 0, 16 / p = 8$

➤ A global **minimum** when the gauge group is $SO(32)$
while a local **maximum** when the gauge group is $SO(16) \times SO(16)$

➤ $p = 7, 9$ ($n_F = n_B$) ⇒ saddle points

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Summary

- $(10 - d)$ D Non-SUSY models are constructed by orbifolding by $(-)^F \alpha$
(α : shift of order 2 in Narain lattice)
- Various interpolation are shown in $d = 2$ case
- Cosmological constant of $(10 - d)$ D Non-SUSY models in $R_i \approx \infty$ is

$$\Lambda^{(10-d)} \sim \frac{4! \cdot 2^{d-1}}{\pi^{15-d}} \left(\prod_{i=1}^d R_i \right) \sum_{\vec{n}} \left\{ \sum_a (2n_a - 1)^2 R_a^2 + \sum_b (2n_b)^2 R_b^2 \right\}^{-5} (n_F - n_B) + \mathcal{O}(e^{-R/\sqrt{\alpha'}})$$

- Find the configurations of WLs which gives exp. supp. CC
- Analyze WL-moduli stability: $n_F = n_B \leftrightarrow$ saddle points

Out look

Higher-loop correction, (meta)stable vacua, cosmology