

# Splitting $SO(10)$ with a bulk flux

or “How to use one tool for four jobs”.



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## Is flux a solution?

- > Introduce an additional  $U(1)_A$  with bulk flux in extra dimensions.
  - > **High scale susy breaking** in the charged sector.
  - > Charged fields **circumvent gauge symmetry breaking** by orbifolding.



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## Scalars

$$\Delta_2 \phi = g^{mn} D_m D_n \phi = m^2 \phi, \quad m^2 = 4\pi N \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

- > Charged scalars **do not** have a zero mode.  
 $\Rightarrow$  Obtain a mass  $\mathcal{O}(1/R) \sim M_{\text{GUT}}$ .

## Fermions

$$(\Gamma^m D_m)^2 \psi = m^2 \psi, \quad m^2 = 4\pi N \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \mp \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

- > Charged fermions **can** have a zero mode, depending on their chirality.

[Bachas '95; Braun, Hebecker, Trapletti '07]

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## Orbifold: assemble even/odd combinations from these wavefunctions

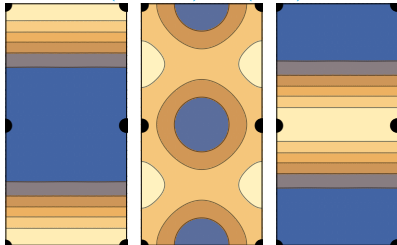
- > Flux quantization changes  $\Rightarrow$  # of “orbifold quanta”  $N = M/2$
- > Without Wilson lines:  $N + 1$  even,  $N - 1$  odd combinations  
With Wilson lines:  $N$  even,  $N$  odd
- > **Vanish at some fixed points** as expected  
 $\rightarrow$  localized flux picture for Wilson lines



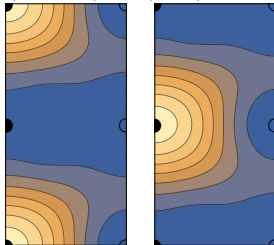


# Fancy pictures (of Wavefunctions on $T^2/Z_2$ )

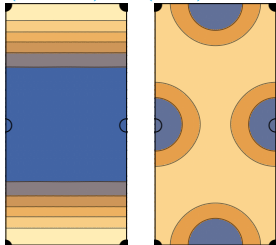
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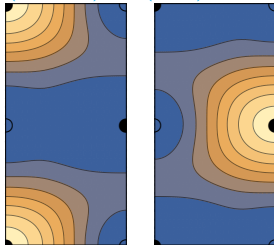
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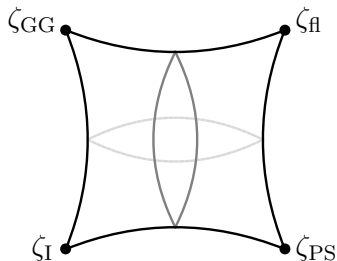
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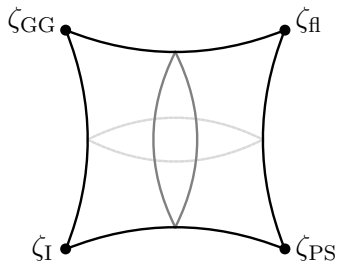
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## This gives

- > 4d gauge group  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{SM}} \times U(1)_X$ ,
- > **3 full generations** of chiral matter with
- > large susy breaking in the matter sector at tree-level.
- > Mixed anomalies can be cancelled with a Green-Schwarz mechanism.

## Fermion zero modes

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## Yukawa couplings

- > Yukawa couplings from fixed point superpotential  
 $\Rightarrow$  proportional to field values at fixed points
- > Higgs doublets  $H_u \subset H_1$ ,  $H_d \subset H_2$
- > Mixing with vector-like 4th gen. possible for field with  $W_i = 0$



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## Supersymmetry breaking

- > Large masses  $\mathcal{O}(M_{\text{GUT}})$  for sfermions from flux
- > Gravitino mass expected to be  $\mathcal{O}(10^{12} \text{ GeV})$
- > Gauginos/Higgsinos massless at tree level  
 $\Rightarrow$  Gravity/Anomaly mediation; dependence on technical details



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## Moduli stabilization

- > Volume and Dilaton can be stabilized using the flux  
(+ hidden sector gaugino condensation) [Braun, Hebecker, Trapletti '07]
- > Spectra of uncharged fields depend on shape modulus
  - $\Rightarrow$  Casimir energy stabilization [Buchmüller, Catena, Schmidt-Hoberg '09]



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## We plan to...

- > implement ~~SUSY~~ mediation.  $\Rightarrow$  Gauginos/Higgsinos at the LHC?
- > work out the weak-scale Yukawa couplings.
- > expand this setup to more general internal spaces.
- > find an embedding into String Theory.

