

## Mass scales in string theories

Outline: - large dimensions in heterotic string

- TeV strings

type I: submm transverse dims

type II: infinitesimal coupling

- duality relations to heterotic

\* - SUSY breaking

- Experimental tests / conclusions

\* see also Sagnotti's talk

- gauge hierarchy / unification:

see Bachas' talk

At what energies string theory becomes important?

traditional thought: at  $M_P \sim 10^{19}$  GeV

consistent with old view in perturbative heterotic theory:

single scale  $\Rightarrow$  UV cutoff

$$M_H \sim g M_P \approx 10^{18} \text{ GeV}$$

$$\lambda \sim \sqrt{V} < 1$$

weak coupling  $\Rightarrow V \sim$  string size

However physical motivations  $\Rightarrow$

large volume may be relevant

- unification:  $M_H$  vs  $M_{GUT}$

- susy by compactification

Spontaneous susy by compactification (perturbatively)

10d  $\rightarrow$  4d on a compact 6d space

$\Rightarrow m_{3/2} \sim m_{1/2} \sim 1/R$   $\leftarrow$  size of an internal dimension

I.A. - Bachas - Lewellen - Tomaras '88

$\Rightarrow \underline{R^{-1} \sim \text{TeV}}$

I.A. '90

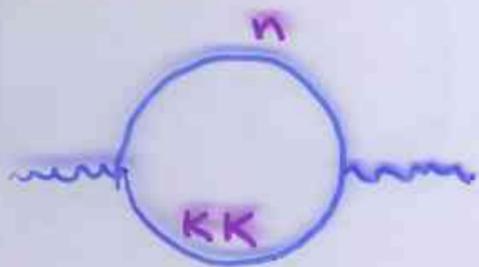
exp.: spectacular prediction

tower of KK excitations for SM particles

$$X \equiv X + 2nR \quad \Rightarrow \quad p = \frac{n}{R} \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \dots$$

$$m_n^2 = m_0^2 + \frac{n^2}{R^2}$$

th. problem: they contribute to  $\beta$ -functions for  $E \gg R^{-1}$



$\Rightarrow$  log evolution becomes power  $g^2 R$

$\Rightarrow$  very rapidly in a non-perturbative domain

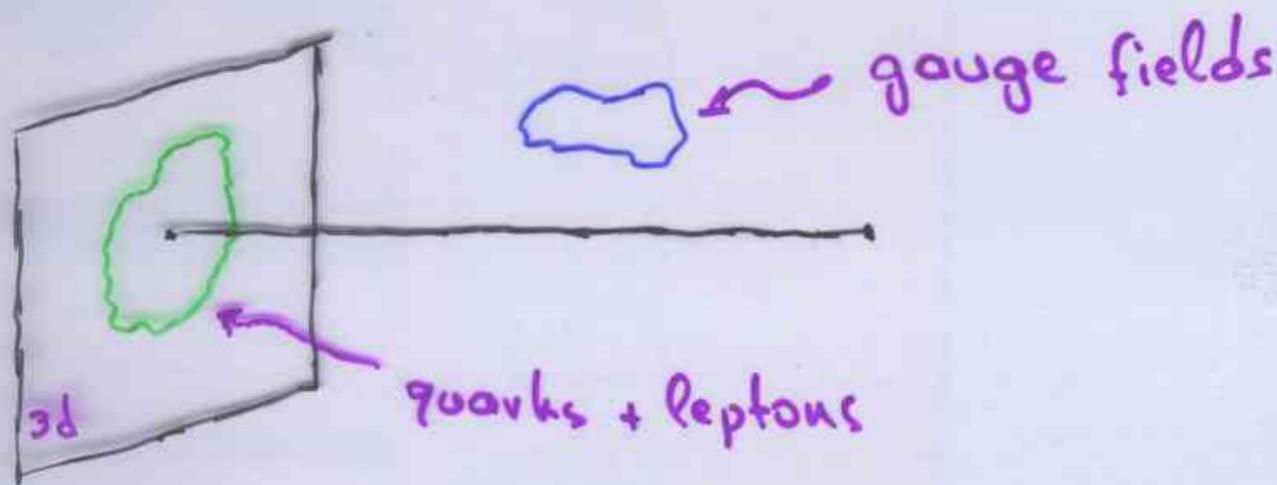
way out: vanishing of  $\beta$ -functions level by level

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e.g. KK into  $N=4$  multiplets

1 vector + 4 fermions + 6 scalars

$\Rightarrow$  special models: orbifold examples



other couplings (Yukawa's, etc) ? more conditions

strong coupling can be addressed using string dualities

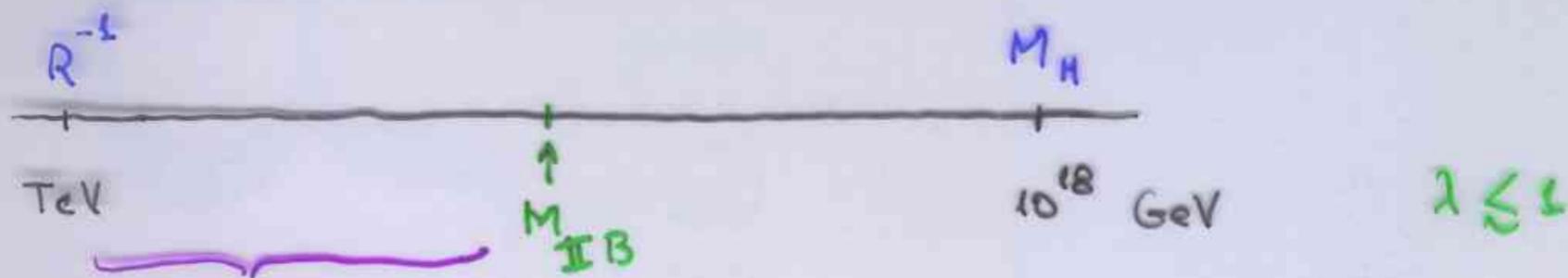
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strong  $\lambda \rightarrow 1/2$  weak

strongly coupled heterotic: type I/I', IIA/B or M-theory

• one large dim  $\Rightarrow$  IIB

I.A. - Poline '99



non-trivial fixed-point theory: tensionless string

$\Rightarrow$  all conditions of soft UV behavior

• two or more large dims  $\Rightarrow$  I/I', IIA

but  $M_{dual} \lesssim R^{-1} \sim \text{TeV} !$

In general:  $M_{str}$  arbitrary parameter

Witten '96

why not at TeV?

Lykken '97

$M_{str} \sim \text{TeV} \Rightarrow$  nullification of gauge hierarchy

(I.A.) - Arkani Hamed - Dimopoulos - Dvali '98

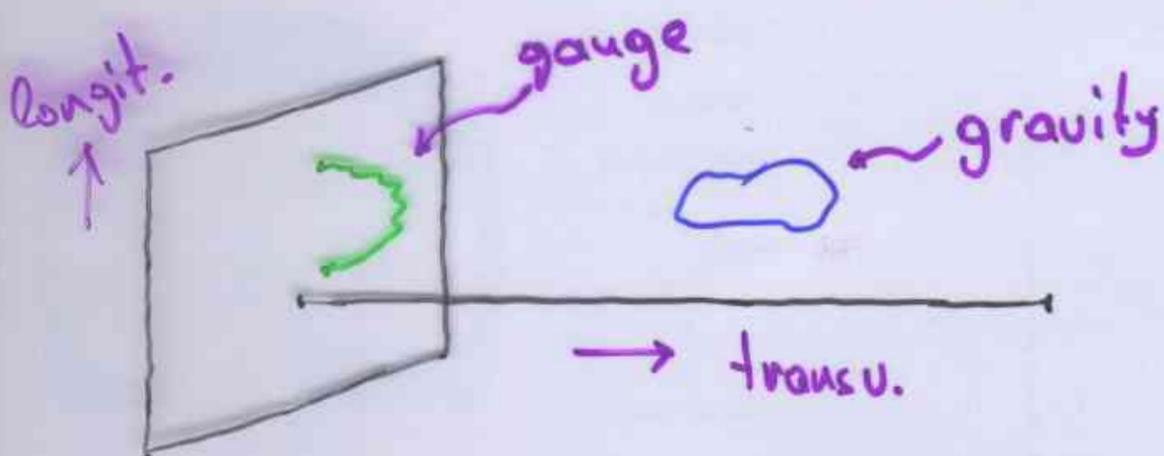
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type I/I'  $\Rightarrow$  submm dims

type II  $\Rightarrow$  tiny coupling

Type I: closed strings  $\rightarrow$  gravity

open strings  $\rightarrow$  gauge sector on D-branes



weak coupling  $\Rightarrow$  longitudinal dims  $\sim \ell_I \equiv M_I^{-1}$

transverse dims: no constraint

p dims of radius r

$\Rightarrow$

6-p " "  $l_I$

$$M_P^2 = \frac{1}{g^2} M_I^{2+P} r^P$$

$$M_P^{2+P} (4+P)$$

Planck scale of 4+p dims

Largeness of  $M_P/M_I \Rightarrow$  extra-large r

string coupling  $\lambda_I = g^2$

$p=1 \Rightarrow r \approx 10^8 \text{ km}$  excluded

2 .1 mm

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6 .1 fm

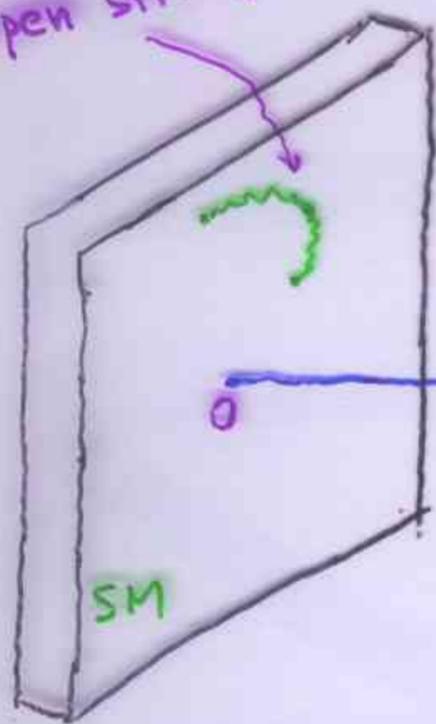
} possible if SM on a "3-brane"

$\Rightarrow$  no KK modes

open strings

closed strings

gravity in  $p+4$  dims



$\text{TeV}^{-4}$ : 3+ extra possible  $\text{TeV}^{-4}$  dims (6-p)

several exp constraints  $\Rightarrow M_{\text{I}} \gtrsim \text{TeV}$

most severe: graviton emission on cooling of supernovae

$\Rightarrow M_{\text{P}(6)} \gtrsim 50 \text{ TeV}$  (p=2) A-H-D-D

Cullen-Perelstein '99

# Type II strings

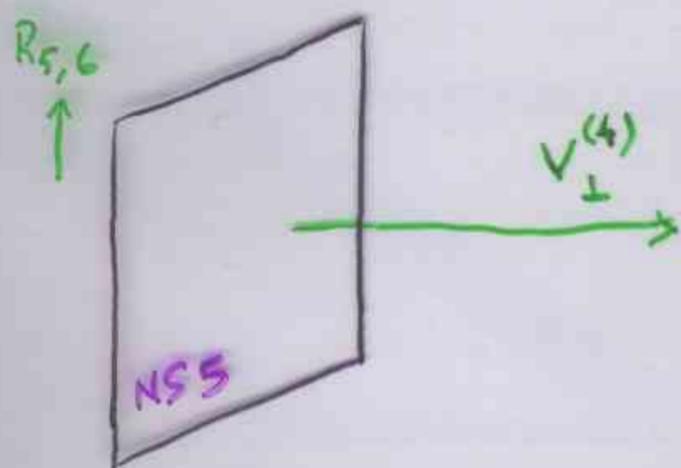
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Non abelian symmetries: non-perturb on a NS5-brane

localized at singularities of the internal manifold

e.g. IIA in  $d=6$ : D2 branes wrapped around collapsing

2-cycles of a singular K3



$$\frac{1}{\alpha_G} = R_5 R_6 M_{II}^2$$

$$M_P^2 = \frac{1}{\alpha_G} \frac{1}{\lambda_{6A}^2} M_{II}^2$$

$\lambda_{6A} = \lambda_{IIA} / \sqrt{V_{\perp}^{(4)}} M_{II}^2$

new possibility: largeness of  $M_P \Rightarrow$  superweak string coupling

e.g. all radii  $\sim l_{II} \sim \text{TeV}^{-1}$ ,  $\lambda_{IIA} \simeq 10^{-14}$

- No strong gravity at TeV

- only signal: KK modes with gauge interactions ( $R_{5,6}$ )

- KK in  $N=4$  SUSY

- no KK for quarks + leptons (localized everywhere)

$$R_5 R_6 \sim l_{\text{II}}^2 \quad \text{but} \quad R_5 \gg l_{\text{II}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad R_6 \ll l_{\text{II}}$$

$$\text{T-duality to } \underline{\text{IIB}} : \quad R_6 \rightarrow \frac{l_{\text{II}}^2}{R_6}, \quad \lambda_{\text{IIA}} \rightarrow \lambda_{\text{IIB}} \frac{l_{\text{II}}}{R_6} \quad \Rightarrow$$

IB:  $\frac{1}{g^2} = \frac{R_5}{R_6} \Rightarrow R_5 \sim R_6 \sim R$

$$M_P^2 = \frac{1}{g^2} \frac{R^2}{\lambda_{6B}^2} M_{II}^4 \Rightarrow \lambda_{6B} < 1 : M_{II} < (M_P/R)^{1/2}$$

new possibility:  $R \sim \text{TeV}^{-1}$ ,  $M_{II} \sim 10^{11} \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\lambda_{IB} \sim 1$

- strong gravity at  $10^{11} \text{ GeV}$

- main signal as in IIA

- only example of large "longitudinal" dims at weak string coupling

$R^{-1} < E < M_{II}$ : gauge interactions are described by 6d

tensionless string (non trivial fixed-pt theories)



D3 branes around collapsing 2-cycles

	long. dims (gauge) $\text{TeV}^{-1}$	transv. dims (gravity)	gravity scale	string scale	GUT scale
type I	6-p	p mm - fm	TeV	TeV	$\text{TeV} - 10^{16}$
type IIA	2	TeV	$10^{19}$	TeV	$10^{16}$
type IIB	2	$10^{11}$	$10^{11}$	$10^{11}$	$10^{11} - 10^{16}$

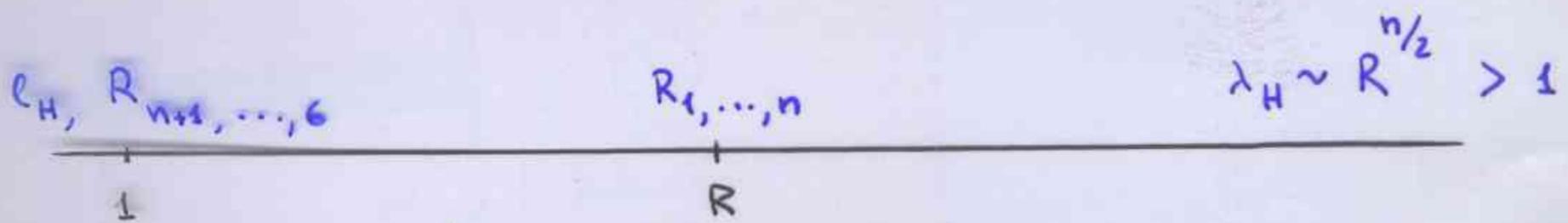
Are there more possibilities?

presumably No because these describe

heterotic string with any number of large dims

Heterotic with  $n$  dims at  $R > \ell_H = M_H^{-1}$

$6-n$  " "  $\ell_H$



$n=1 \Rightarrow$  IB:  $\ell_{II} \sim \sqrt{R}$

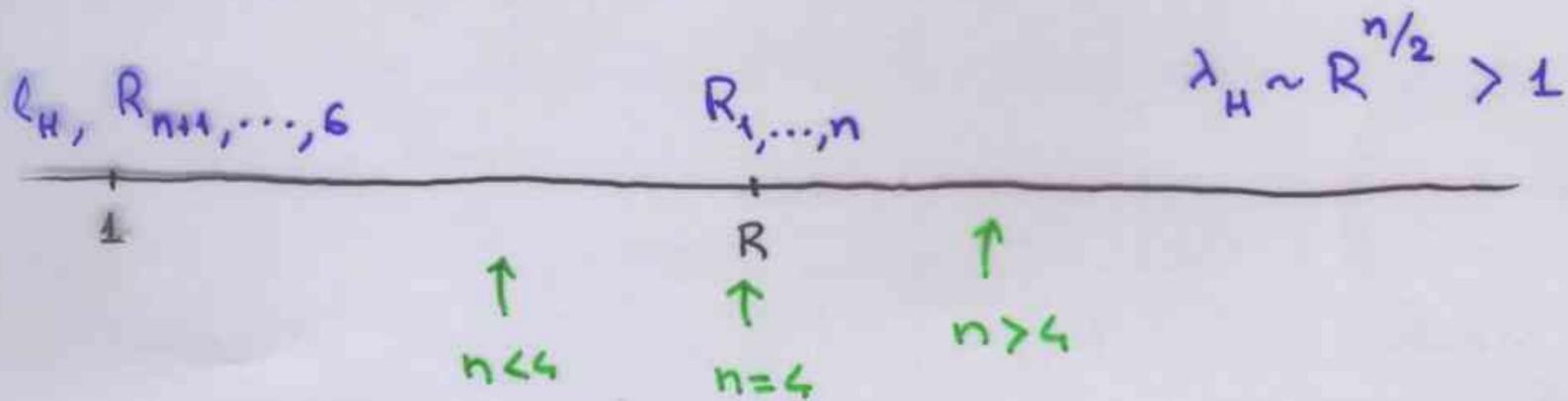
$n=2,3 \Rightarrow$  IA:  $\ell_I \sim R$

$n \geq 4 \Rightarrow$  type I:  $\ell_I \geq R$

# Relation with heterotic

Heterotic with  $n$  dims at  $R > \ell_H$

$$6-n \quad " \quad " \quad \ell_H \equiv M_H^{-1}$$



Type I :  $\lambda_I = \frac{1}{\lambda_H} < 1$        $\ell_I = \lambda_H^{1/2} \ell_H \sim R^{n/4} > 1$

however some dims  $R_i < \ell_I \Rightarrow$

closed string: very light winding modes  $\sim \frac{R_i}{\ell_I^2} < 1$

$\Rightarrow$  T-duality  $R_i \rightarrow \tilde{R}_i = \frac{\ell_I^2}{R_i}$

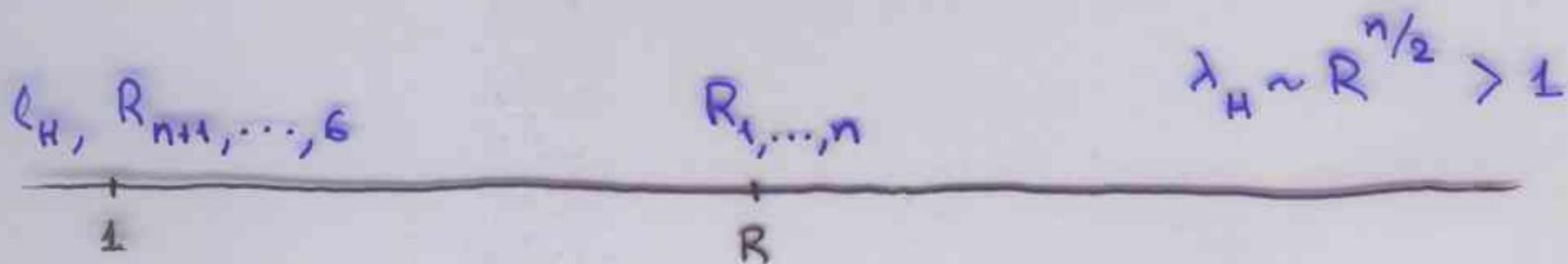
$$\lambda_I \rightarrow \tilde{\lambda}_I = \lambda_I \frac{\ell_I}{R_i} \uparrow$$

$$\tilde{\lambda}_I < 1 \Rightarrow n \geq 4 \quad \tilde{\lambda}_I \sim 1$$

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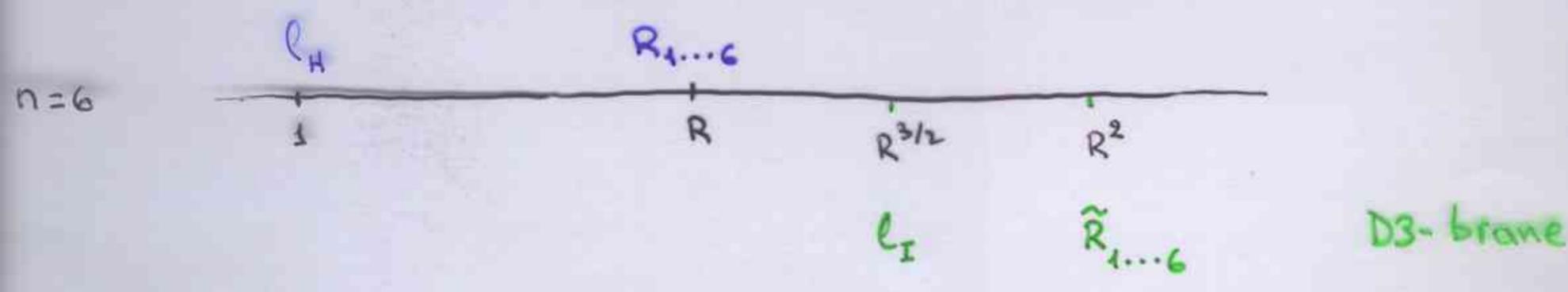
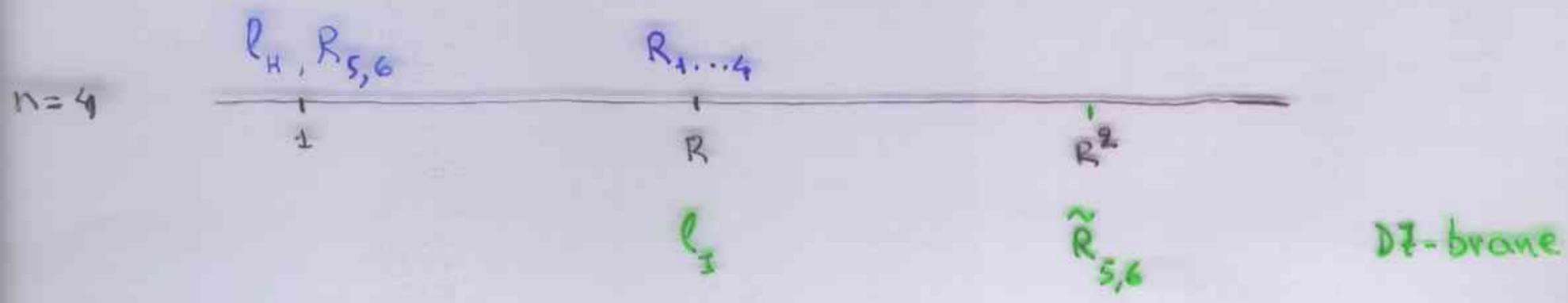


Type I :  $\lambda_I = \frac{1}{\lambda_H}$        $\ell_I = \lambda_H^{1/2} \ell_H$

Type IIA in  $d=6$  : (on  $K3$  to break half susy's)

$$\lambda_{6A} = \frac{1}{\lambda_{6H}} \quad \ell_{II} = \lambda_{6H} \ell_H$$

how  $T^4$  is mapped on  $K3$ ?



what about  $n=1, 2, 3$  ?

M-theory on

$$I(R_I) \times S^1(R_1) \times T^3(R_2, R_3, R_4)$$

$$R_{11} \equiv R_I \Rightarrow \text{Het } E_8 \times E_8 \text{ on } T^4(R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4)$$

$$R_{11} \equiv R_I \Rightarrow \text{IIA on K3} \simeq I(R_I) \times T^3(\tilde{R}_1, \tilde{R}_3, \tilde{R}_4)$$

$$R_{11} = 2\ell$$

$$\ell_M^3 = 2\ell^3$$

$$\tilde{R}_i = \frac{\ell_M^3}{R_j R_k} \Rightarrow$$

Obers. P. 98

$$R_I \longleftrightarrow V_{K3}^{1/2}$$

$$V_{T^4}^{1/2} \longleftrightarrow R_I$$

$$\frac{R_i}{R_j} = \frac{\tilde{R}_i}{\tilde{R}_j}$$

tensionless string

$n=1$

$l_H, R_{1...5}$

$R_6$

1

$\sqrt{R}$

$R$

IB

$l_{II}, K3$

$R_{5,6}$

$\lambda_{II} \sim 1$

$10^{11}$  GeV

TeV

$n=2$

$l_H, R_{1...4}$

$R_{5,6}$

1

$R$

$l_{II}, K3, R_{5,6}$

$\lambda_{II} \sim 1/R$

$n=3$

$l_H, R_{1,2,3}$

$R_{4,5,6}$

1

$R$

$R^{3/2}$

$l_{II}, R_{5,6}$

K3

$\lambda_{II} \sim 1$

fm

Do we need susy if  $M_{str} \sim \text{TeV}$  ?

Type I: non susy string models  $\Rightarrow$

$$\Lambda_{\text{bulk}} \sim M_I^{4+P} \Rightarrow \Lambda_{\text{brane}} \sim M_I^{4+P} / r^P \sim M_I^2 M_P^2$$

analog of quadratic div. to  $\Lambda$  in softly broken susy

absence of quadratic sensitivity:  $StM^2$

$$\Lambda_{\text{brane}} \sim M_I^4 \Rightarrow \Lambda_{\text{bulk}} \sim M_I^4 / r^P$$

satisfied if approximate susy in the bulk

e.g. susy is broken primordially only on the brane

A-A-D-D '98

Type II: may be not (IIA)

$$\text{IB: } m_{\text{susy}} \sim R^{-2} \quad M_{\text{IB}} \sim (m_{\text{susy}} M_P)^{1/2}$$

$\Rightarrow$  susy spont. broken at TeV

Brane susy breaking in type I theory

I.A. - Dudas - Sagnotti to appear

type IIB superstring /  $\Omega$  ( $L \leftrightarrow R$ ) projection

$\Rightarrow$  O9 and O5 orientifold planes

$\Rightarrow$  open strings: D9 and D5 branes

tadpole cancellations  $\equiv$  vanishing of the total RR-charge  
in compact space

O-planes: -ve      D-branes: +ve

$\Rightarrow$  absence of gauge + gravitational anomalies

However sometimes O5: +ve charge  $\Rightarrow$  some O $\bar{5}$

$\Rightarrow$  naively no solutions to tadpole conditions

Solution: introduce some D $\bar{5}$  branes

$\Rightarrow$  break supersymmetry!

## consistent chiral models:

- RR tadpole cancellations  $\Rightarrow$  no anomalies
- No tachyons
- SUSY is broken on  $D\bar{5}$  branes
- NS tadpoles  $\Rightarrow$  (tree-level) potential

localized on the (non-susy) branes

explicit toy examples:

- $T^4/\mathbb{Z}_2$  : change  $\Omega$  projection in the twisted sector  
17 tensor multiplets
- $T^6/\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$  with discrete torsion

see Sagnotti's talk

No susy in our world (brane)

but it may exist 1 mm away!

to protect the gauge hierarchy against gravit. corrections

Prediction: possible new forces at submm scales

e.g. light scalars:  $\frac{(\text{TeV})^2}{M_p} \sim 10^{-4} \text{ eV} = 1 \text{ mm}^{-1}$

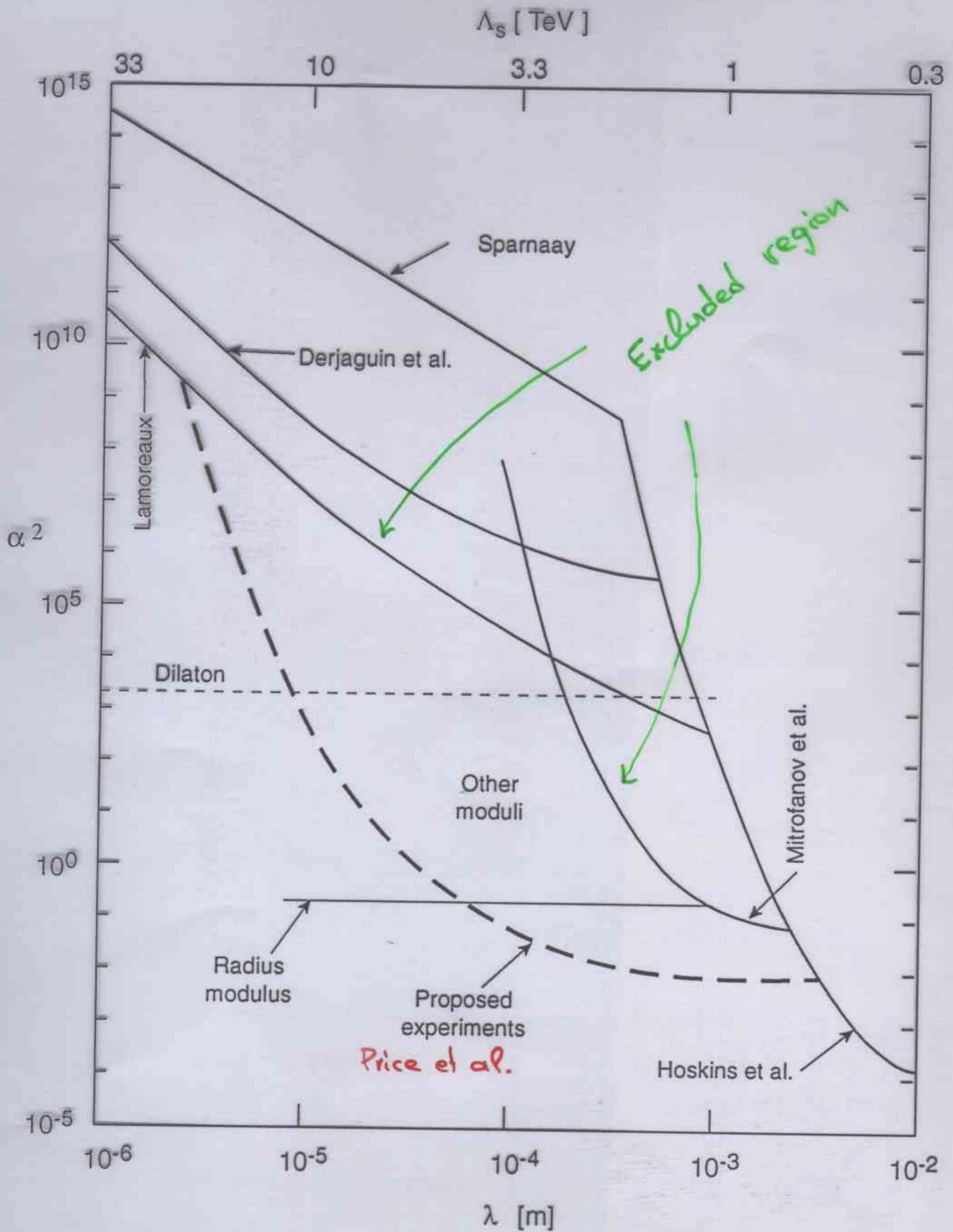
modulus  $\equiv \ln r$

coupling to nucleons relative to gravity:

$$\frac{1}{m_N} \frac{\partial m_N}{\partial \ln r} = \frac{\partial \ln \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{\partial \ln r} \quad m_N \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \sim e^{-\frac{1}{b_{\text{QCD}}} \frac{2\pi}{\alpha_{\text{QCD}}}}$$
$$\sim \frac{\partial}{\partial \ln r} \alpha_{\text{QCD}}$$

$\mathcal{O}(1)$  in models with log sensitivity in  $r$  e.g.  $d_1 = 2$

$\Rightarrow$  can be experimentally tested



Van der Waals  $\approx$  gravitational

## Conclusions

Completely new and exciting physics

→ Spectacular experimental predictions

- Particle accelerators:

KK resonances of  $\text{TeV}^{-1}$  dimensions

RR resonances with higher spin of TeV strings

Graviton emission into the extra dims (mm  $\rightarrow$  fm)

very different sparticle spectrum

- Testing gravity in (sub)mm region:

new scalar forces, change of Newton's law

→ Theoretical issues

challenge to address all problems at the TeV

proton stability, flavor and FCNC,  $\Lambda$  and large radius

stabilization, cosmology, model building ...