

# String Compactifications and low-energy SUSY: The last attempts?

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# Low-energy SUSY Bottom-up

## Recall:

- **Hierarchy problem**
- **Gauge coupling unification**
- **(Thermal) WIMP Dark matter**
- **REWSB**

# Top-down: ~~SUSY~~ in 4D Strings

★ Calabi-Yau compactifications  $N=1$  ✓

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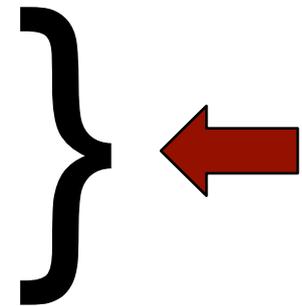
★ Moduli stabilisation ✓?

★ SUSY breaking: ✓?

- Fluxes (GKP),
- Nonperturbative effects (racetrack),
- Antibranes (KKLT)

# Strings, MSSM and LHC

- Accept 1/100-1/1000 tuning as 'natural'
- Extend the MSSM
- Address hierarchy problem differently within SUSY
  - Tuned MSSM
  - Split SUSY (heavy sfermions, TeV fermions)
  - Large SUSY breaking scale
- Non-SUSY approaches to hierarchy problem



**Golden opportunity for string scenarios**

# String Phenomenology:

**Long-term goal:**

**String theory scenarios that satisfy  
all particle physics and  
cosmological observations and  
hopefully lead to measurable  
predictions**

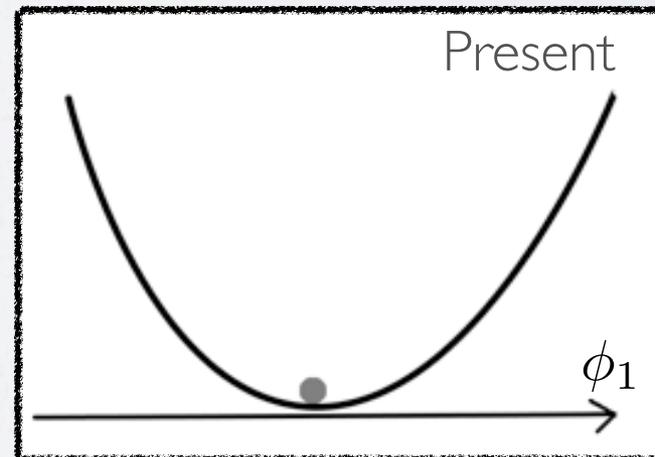
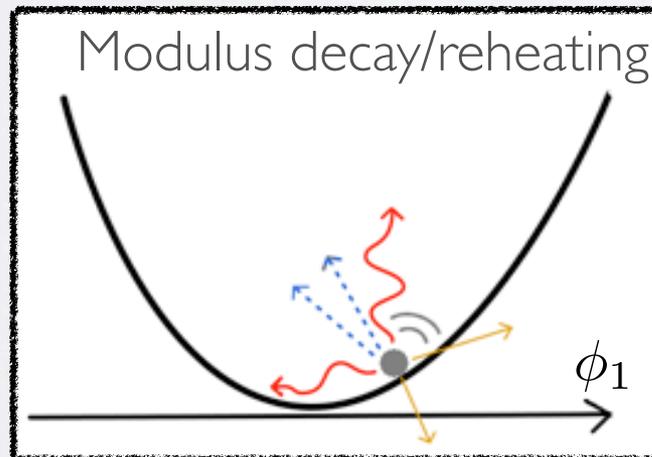
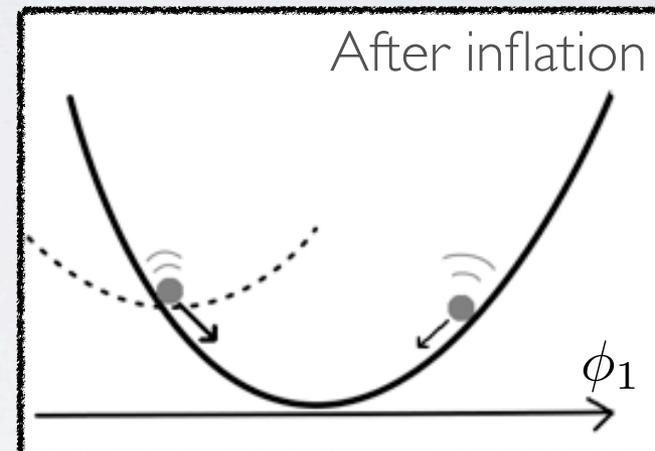
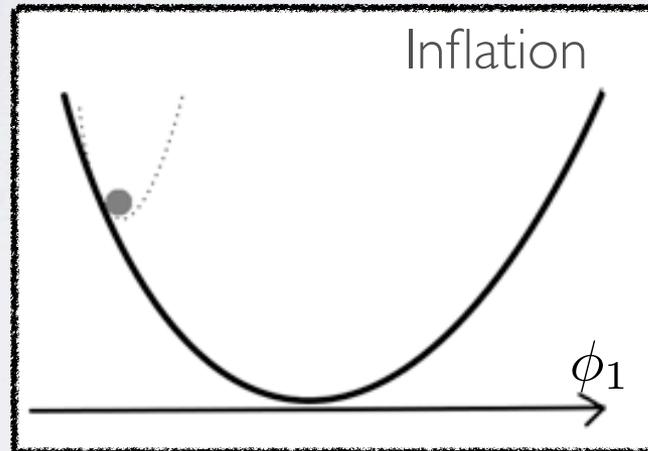
# Progress in several ways

- **'Generic' model independent results**
- **Explicit constructions of (classes) of models**
- **Explicit computations of EFT**
- **Extract scenarios that can lead to eventually 'testable' predictions.**

# 'Generic 4D String Predictions'

- SUSY, small irreps, branes, fluxes, axions, no global symmetries,...
- **Cosmological Moduli Problem**   
(unless  $M_{\text{moduli}} > 30 \text{ TeV}$ )

# Cosmological Moduli 'Problem'



$$\Gamma_\phi \sim \frac{1}{8\pi} \frac{m_\phi^3}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}$$

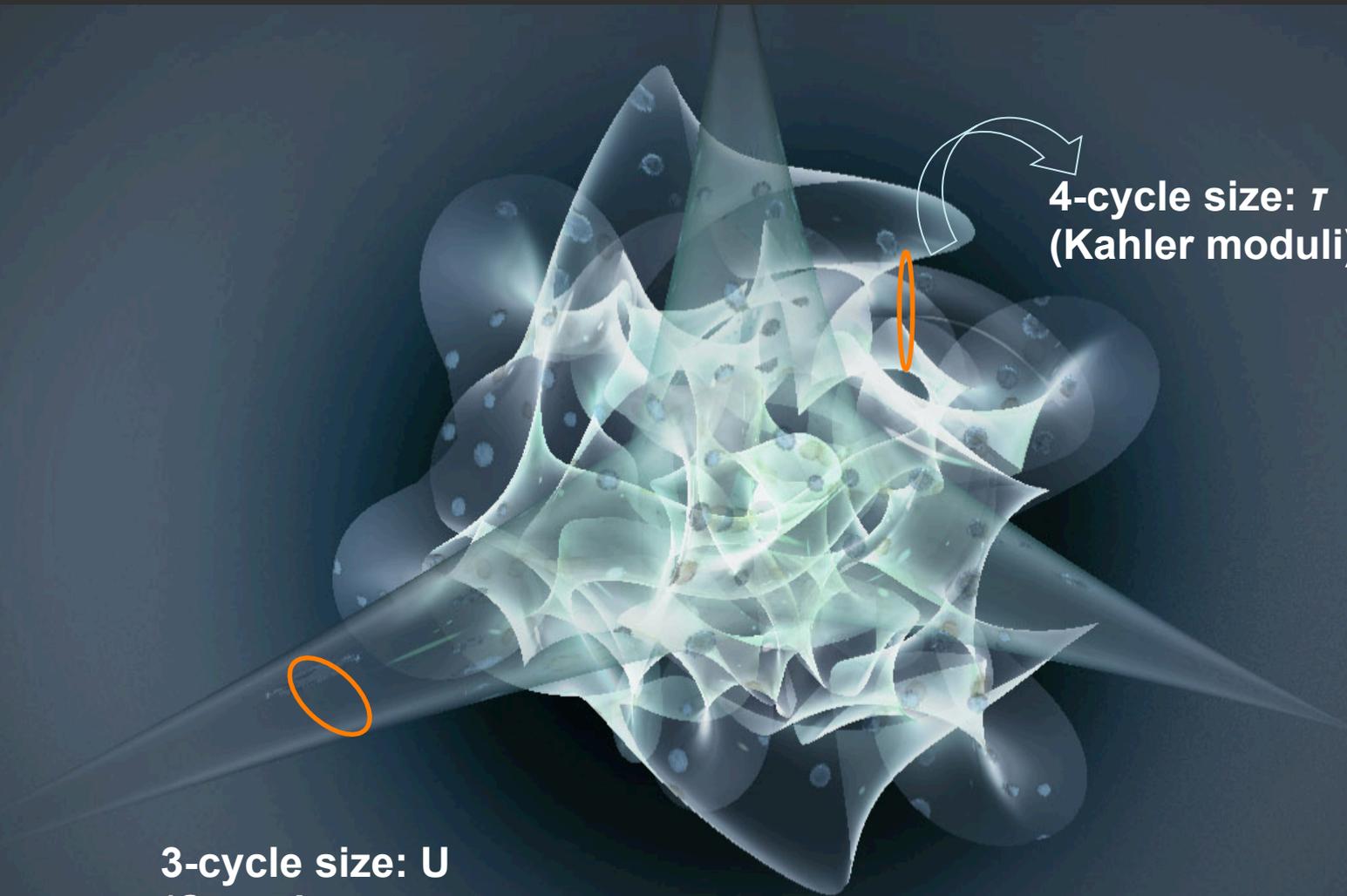
$$T > O(1 \text{ MeV}), \text{ so } m_\phi \gtrsim 3 \cdot 10^4 \text{ GeV}$$

Coughlan et al 1983, Banks et al, de Carlos et al 1993

# SUSY Challenges for String Scenarios

- **Explicit  $N=1$  Compactification**
- **Concrete SUSY breaking mechanism**
- **Moduli Stabilisation (small cc)**  
(+ avoid CMP (plus gravitino+ dark radiation excess,etc!))
- **Chiral visible sector**
- **Computable soft terms**

# IIB MODULI STABILISATION



**3-cycle size:  $U$**   
(Complex structure  
moduli) + Dilaton  $S$

**4-cycle size:  $\tau$**   
(Kahler moduli)

# Concrete Scenarios

- IIB (F-theory)

KKLT

LVS



- IIA

- Heterotic

- G2 manifolds

# LARGE Volume Scenario

Fluxes determine superpotential  $W_0$  (U,S) (GKP 2003)

Perturbative corrections to K:  $K = -2 \ln \left( \mathcal{V} + \frac{\hat{\zeta}}{2} \right)$

Nonperturbative contributions to W:

$$W_{np} = \sum_i A_i e^{-a_i T_i}$$

$$V_F \propto \left( \frac{K^{S\bar{S}} |D_S W|^2 + K^{a\bar{b}} D_a W \bar{D}_{\bar{b}} \bar{W}}{\mathcal{V}^2} \right) + \left( \frac{A e^{-2a\tau}}{\mathcal{V}} - \frac{B e^{-a\tau} W_0}{\mathcal{V}^2} + \frac{C |W_0|^2}{\mathcal{V}^3} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{V} \sim e^{a\tau}$$

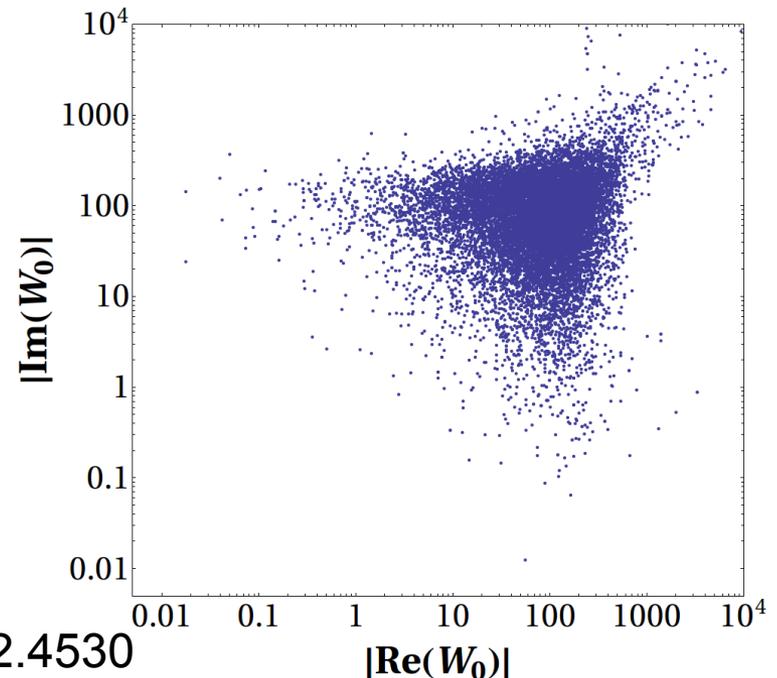
with  $\tau \sim \text{Re } S \sim 1/g_s > 1$ .

**Exponentially large volume for weak coupling !**  
**(SUSY broken by Fluxes, AdS)** (BBCQ, CQS 2005)

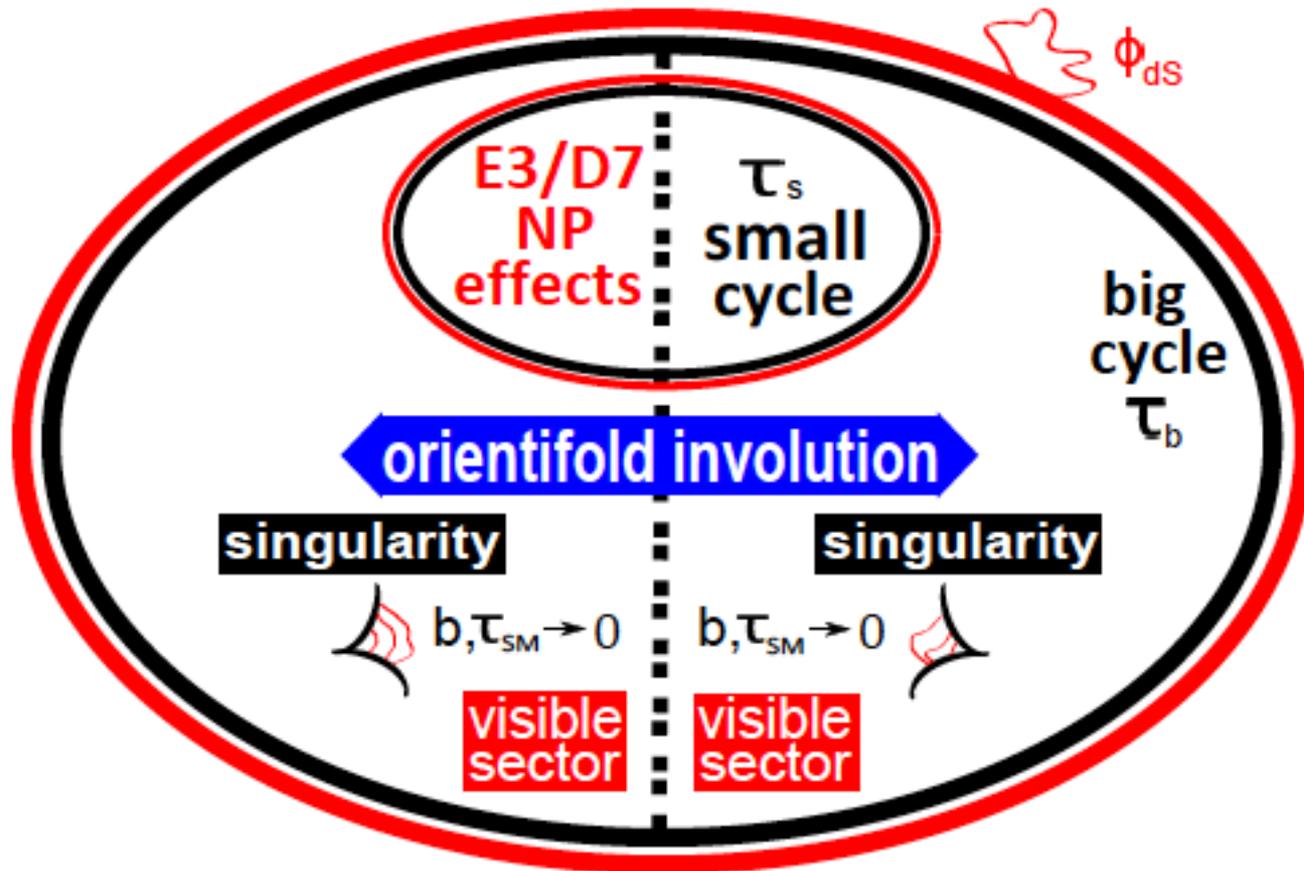
# LVS Conditions

- Need  $1 < h_{11} < h_{12}$  ( $\sim$ half Calabi-Yau's)
- Generic values of  $W_{\text{flux}}$  ( $.1 < W_{\text{flux}} < 1000$ )

e.g.  $\mathbb{P}^4_{[1,1,1,6,9]}$ ,



# Explicit Chiral Models



# Concrete Compactifications

- From explicit **compact Calabi-Yau + Chiral matter**

Cicoli, Klevers, Krippendorf, Mayrhofer, FQ,  
Valandro arXiv:1312.0014

- Fully supersymmetric EFT
- All geometric moduli stabilised
- Volume only moderately large  $V \sim 10^6 - 10^7$
- Sequestered scenario:  $\langle T_{SM} \rangle = 0$ ,  $\langle F_{TSM} \rangle = 0$

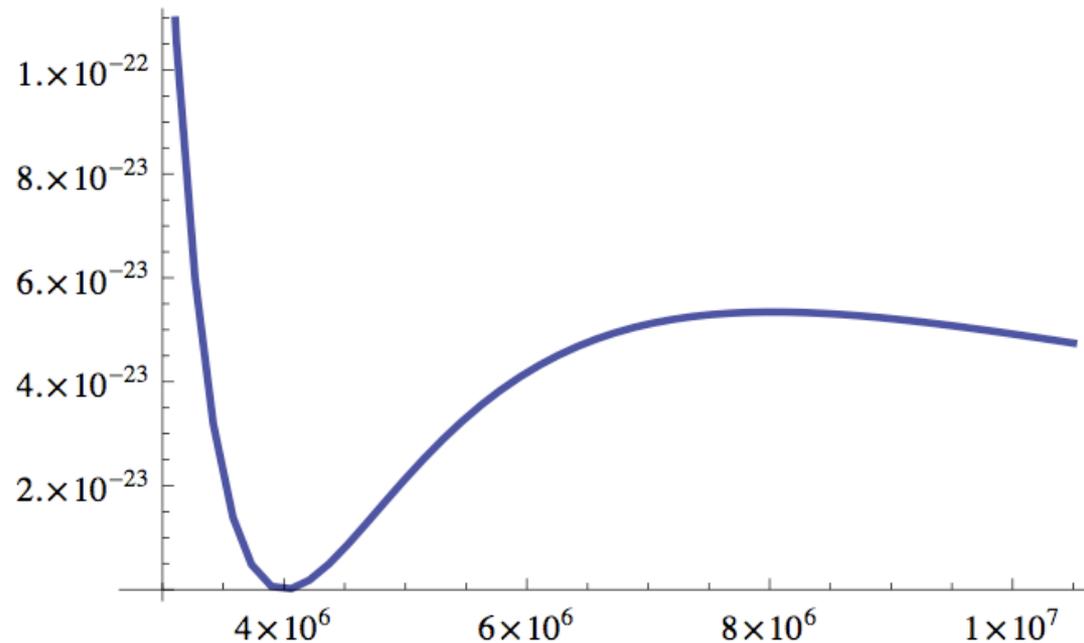
# dS Kahler Moduli Stabilisation

$$V_F^{\text{tot}} = V_{\text{np}} + V_{\alpha'} + V_{\text{soft}}$$

$$V_{\text{np}} = \frac{8}{3\lambda} (a_s A_s)^2 \sqrt{\tau_s} \frac{e^{-2a_s \tau_s}}{\mathcal{V}} - 4 a_s A_s |W_0| \tau_s \frac{e^{-a_s \tau_s}}{\mathcal{V}^2}$$

$$V_{\alpha'} = \frac{3 \zeta |W_0|^2}{4 g_s^{3/2} \mathcal{V}^3}$$

$$V_{\text{soft}} = p \frac{|W_0|^2}{\mathcal{V}^{8/3} [\ln(\mathcal{V}/|W_0|)]^2}$$



# Relevant Scales

**String Scale**

$$M_s = \frac{g_s^{1/4} M_P}{\sqrt{4\pi\mathcal{V}}},$$

**Kaluza Klein Scale**

$$M_{KK} \simeq \frac{M_P}{\sqrt{4\pi\mathcal{V}^{2/3}}},$$

**Gravitino mass**

$$m_{3/2} \simeq \left( \frac{g_s^2}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} \right) \frac{W_0 M_P}{\mathcal{V}}.$$

**Volume  
modulus mass**

$$m_{\mathcal{V}} \simeq m_{3/2} / \sqrt{\mathcal{V}}.$$

# Non-generic Implications

- Usually moduli masses =  $m_{3/2}$
- And assume soft terms =  $m_{3/2}$
- Identify  $m_{3/2}=1$  TeV

**But LVS is nongeneric scenario**

- Volume modulus mass  $\ll m_{3/2}$
- So CMP more acute than expected!
- Soft terms?

# SUSY EFT

$$W_{\text{matter}} = \mu(M)H_uH_d + \frac{1}{6}Y_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(M)C^\alpha C^\beta C^\gamma + \dots$$

$$K_{\text{matter}} = \tilde{K}_\alpha(M, \overline{M})\overline{C}^{\overline{\alpha}}C^\alpha + [Z(M, \overline{M})H_uH_d + \text{h.c.}] .$$

**Yukawas**

$$\hat{Y}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = e^{K/2} \frac{Y_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(U, S)}{\sqrt{\tilde{K}_\alpha \tilde{K}_\beta \tilde{K}_\gamma}} ,$$

Conlon, Cremades, FQ  
+ Conlon, Witkowski

$$\tilde{K}_\alpha = h_\alpha(S, U) e^{K/3}$$

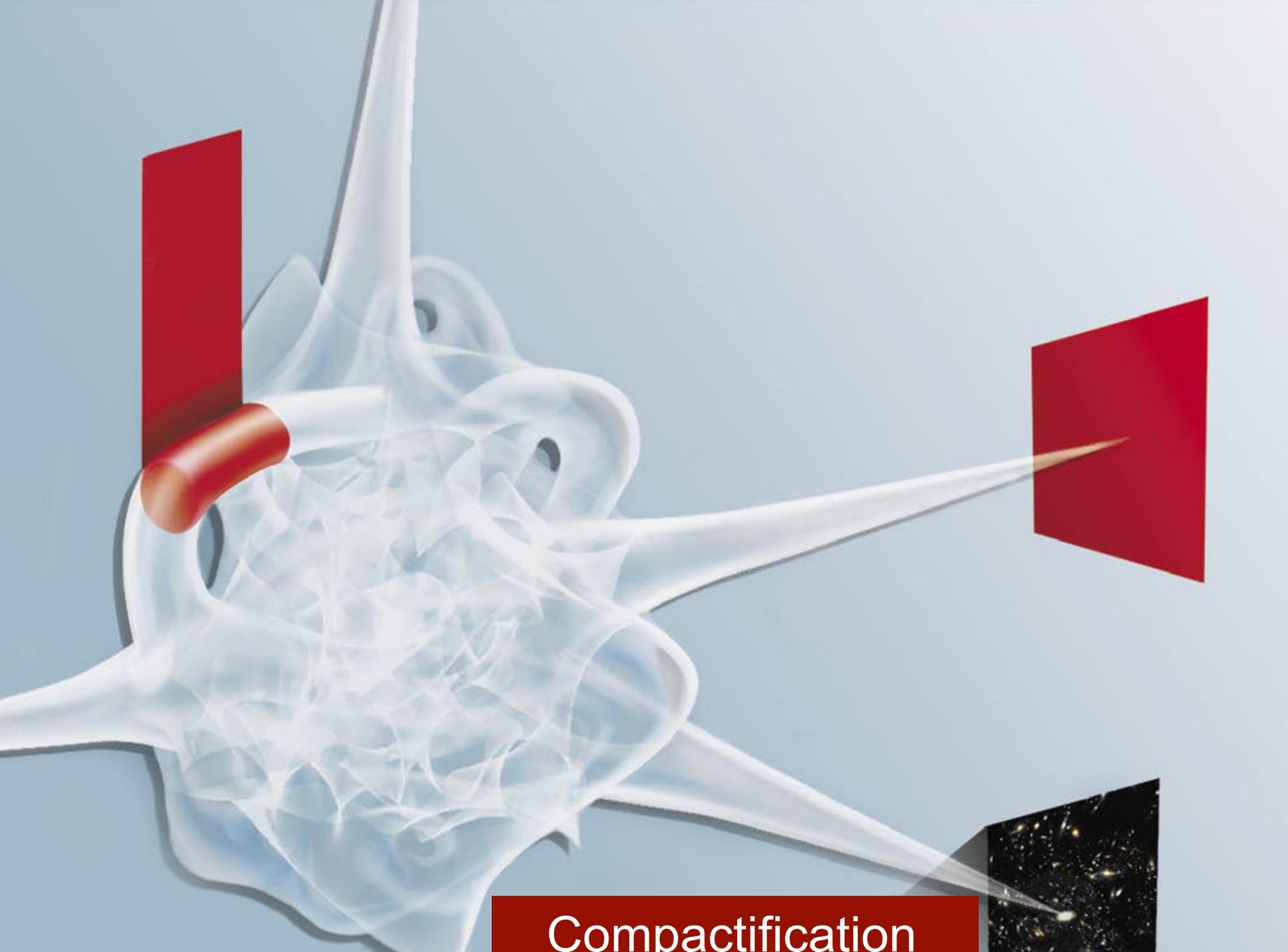
- **Approximate: ‘Local’**

- **Exact: ‘Ultralocal’**

# **SUSY Breaking**

# SUSY Breaking

- Fluxes break SUSY
- In EFT: F-terms of Kahler moduli (plus subdominant  $F_S, F_U$ )
- Standard Model on a D3 or D7 brane
- Several scenarios



Compactification

# Different SUSY Scenarios

Scenario	String Scale	$W_0$	$m_{3/2}$	Soft masses	CMP
Intermediate Scale	$10^{11}$ GeV	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	1 TeV	$M_{soft} \sim 1$ TeV	Yes
Tuned GUT Scale	$10^{15}$ GeV	$10^{-10}$	1 TeV	$M_{soft} \sim 1$ TeV	Yes
Generic GUT Scale	$10^{15}$ GeV	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$10^{10}$ GeV	$M_{soft} \sim 10^{10}$ GeV	No
Sequestered Unsplit	$10^{15}$ GeV	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$10^{10}$ GeV	$M_{soft} \sim \frac{m_{3/2}}{\mathcal{V}} \sim 1$ TeV	No
Sequestered Split	$10^{15}$ GeV	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$10^{10}$ GeV	$M_{1/2} \sim \frac{m_0}{\mathcal{V}^{1/2}} \sim \frac{m_{3/2}}{\mathcal{V}} \sim 1$ TeV	No

- First two not yet obtained from compact CY+ chiral matter
- 3rd: high scale SUSY breaking (e.g. Ibanez et al.)
- 4<sup>th</sup> +5<sup>th</sup> SUSY ‘solve’ hierarchy small ‘tuning’ by flux dependence of GUT soft terms.

# Sequestered Soft Terms

Soft term	Local Models	Ultra Local 1	Ultra Local 2
$M_{1/2}$	$c_{1/2} m_{3/2} \frac{m_{3/2}}{M_P} \left[ \ln \left( \frac{M_P}{m_{3/2}} \right) \right]^{3/2}$		
$m_\alpha^2$	$c_0 m_{3/2} M_{1/2}$	$c_0 \frac{m_{3/2} M_{1/2}}{\ln(M_P/m_{3/2})}$	$(c_0)_\alpha M_{1/2}^2$
$A_{\alpha\beta\gamma}$	$(c_A)_{\alpha\beta\gamma} M_{1/2}$		
$\hat{\mu}$	$c_\mu M_{1/2}$		
$B\hat{\mu}$	$c_B m_0^2$		

**Coefficients c: functions of fluxes**

# **Cosmology:**

**Use CMP as a guide for low  
energy physics**

# Constraints on the volume

- **Validity of EFT** ( $m_{3/2} \ll M_{\text{kk}}$ ) :  $V \gg 10^3$
- **CMP** ( $m_{\text{volume}} > 30 \text{ TeV}$ ):  $V < 10^9$

## Ranges of relevant scales (GeV)

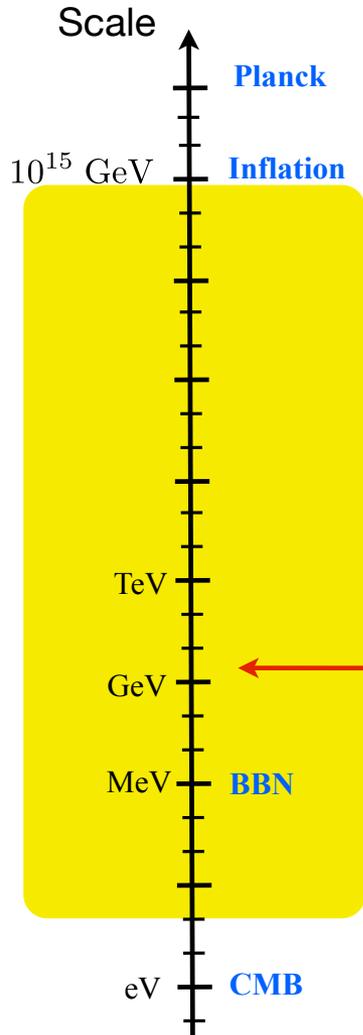
$$10^{17} > M_s > 10^{14}$$

$$10^{15} > m_{3/2} > 10^{10}$$

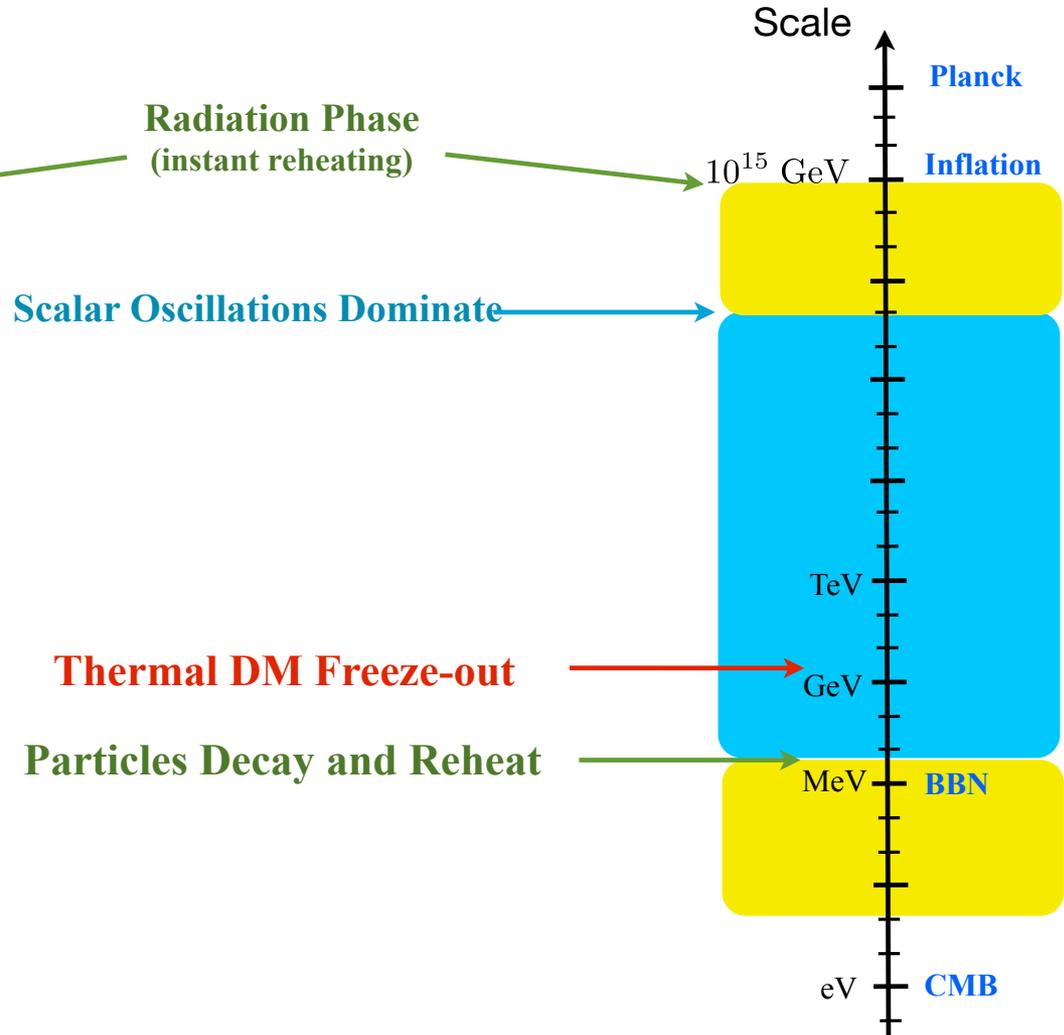
$$10^{12} > M_{1/2} > 10^2$$

$$10^7 > T_{\text{RH}} > 1$$

# Thermal History



# Alternative History

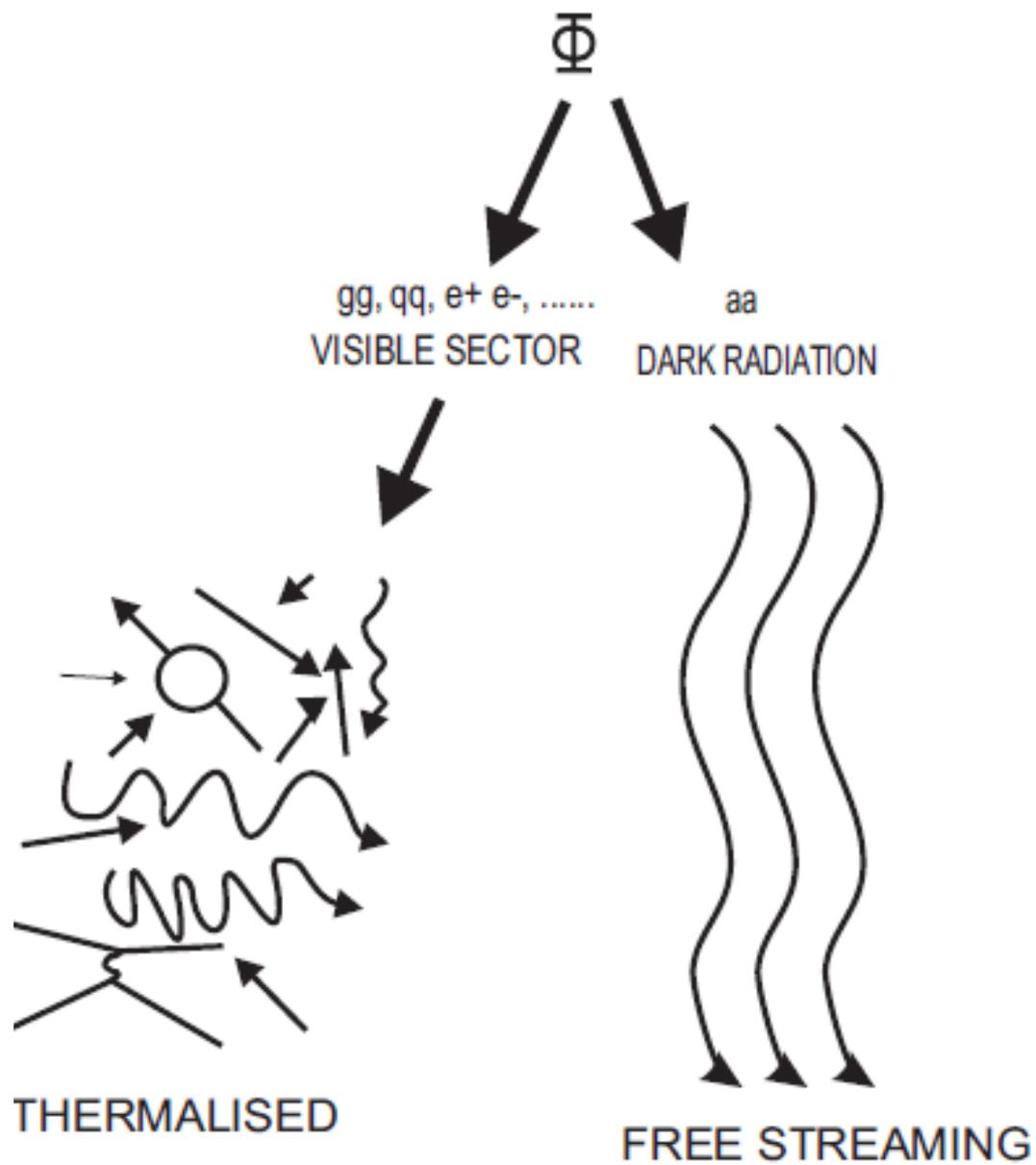


**Radiation Phase (instant reheating)**

**Scalar Oscillations Dominate**

**Thermal DM Freeze-out**

**Particles Decay and Reheat**



# Volume Reheating\*

## \*Sequestered scenarios

M.Cicoli, J.P. Conlon, FQ arXiv:1208.3562

T. Higaki, F.Takahashi arXiv:1208.3563

$$\Gamma_{\Phi \rightarrow a_b a_{\bar{b}}} = \frac{1}{48\pi} \frac{m_{\Phi}^3}{M_P^2} \quad \text{Volume axion } a_b$$

$$\Gamma_{\Phi \rightarrow H_u H_d} = \frac{2Z^2}{48\pi} \frac{m_{\Phi}^3}{M_P^2} \quad \text{Higgses}$$

$$\Gamma_{\Phi \rightarrow BB} = \left(\frac{\lambda}{3/2}\right)^2 \frac{9}{16} \frac{1}{48\pi} \frac{m_{\Phi}^3}{M_P^2} \quad \text{Closed string axions}$$

$$\Gamma_{\Phi \rightarrow C\bar{C}} \sim \frac{m_0^2 m_{\Phi}}{M_P^2} \ll \frac{m_{\Phi}^3}{M_P^2} \quad \text{Matter scalars } C$$

$$T_{reheat} \sim \frac{m_{\Phi}^{3/2}}{M_{Pl}^{1/2}} \sim 0.6 \text{ GeV} \left( \frac{m_{\Phi}}{10^6 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{3/2} .$$

# Dark Radiation

Energy density:

$$\rho_{total} = \rho_{\gamma} \left( 1 + \frac{7}{8} \left( \frac{4}{11} \right)^{4/3} N_{eff} \right).$$

Standard Model  $N_{eff}=3.04$

At CMB: WMAP, ACT, SPT

Planck 2015:  $N_{eff} = 3.13 \pm 0.32$  (68% CL)

$$3.12 \kappa \leq \Delta N_{eff} \leq 3.48 \kappa$$
$$\kappa = (1 + 9n_a/16)/n_H Z^2$$

Simplest  $Z=1$ :

$$1.56 \leq \Delta N_{eff} \leq 1.74$$

**General: Strong constraints on matter and couplings!**

# Phenomenology

# Nonthermal CMSSM\*

$$T_{\text{rh}} < T_{\text{f}} = m/20$$

- Assume: CMSSM parameters  
( $M, m, A, \tan\beta, \text{sign}\mu$  plus  $T_{\text{R}}$ )
- REWSB with  $\approx 125$  GeV Higgs
- Constraints:

Colliders (LEP, LHC)

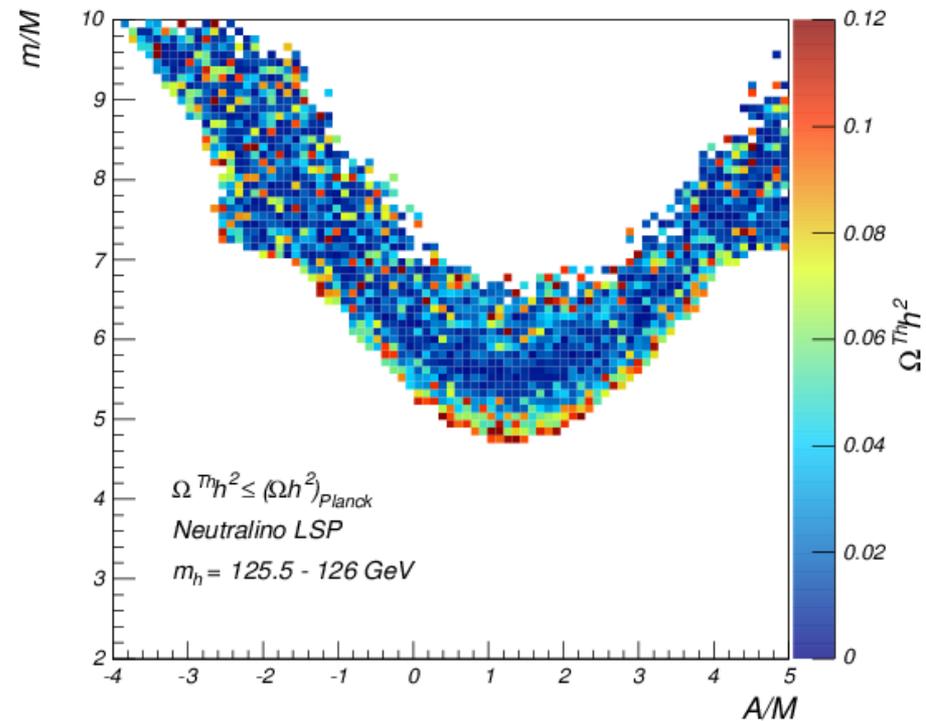
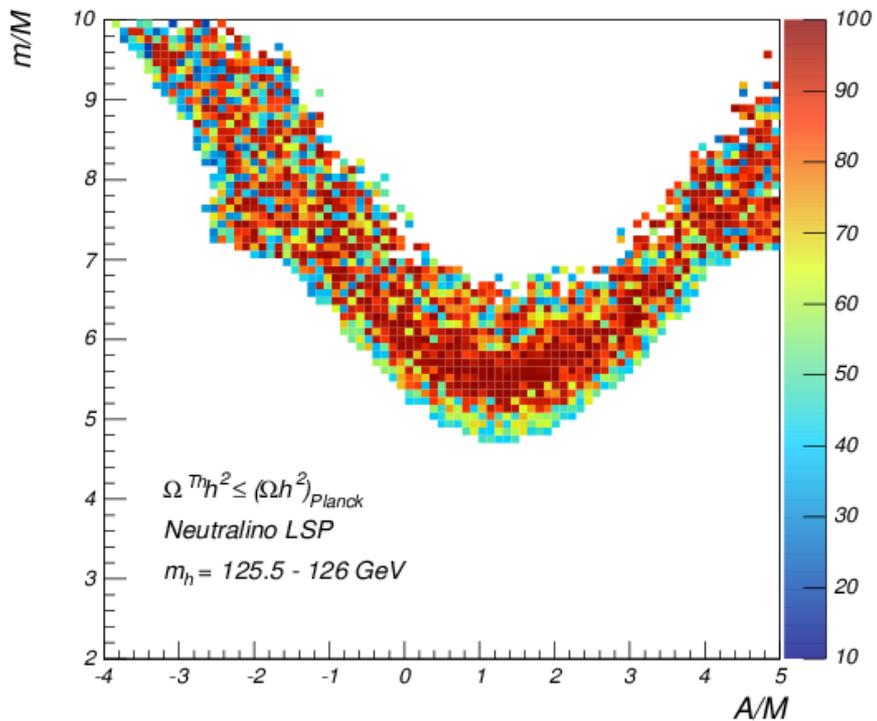
CMB (Planck)

Direct DM detection (LUX, XENON100, CDMS, IceCube)

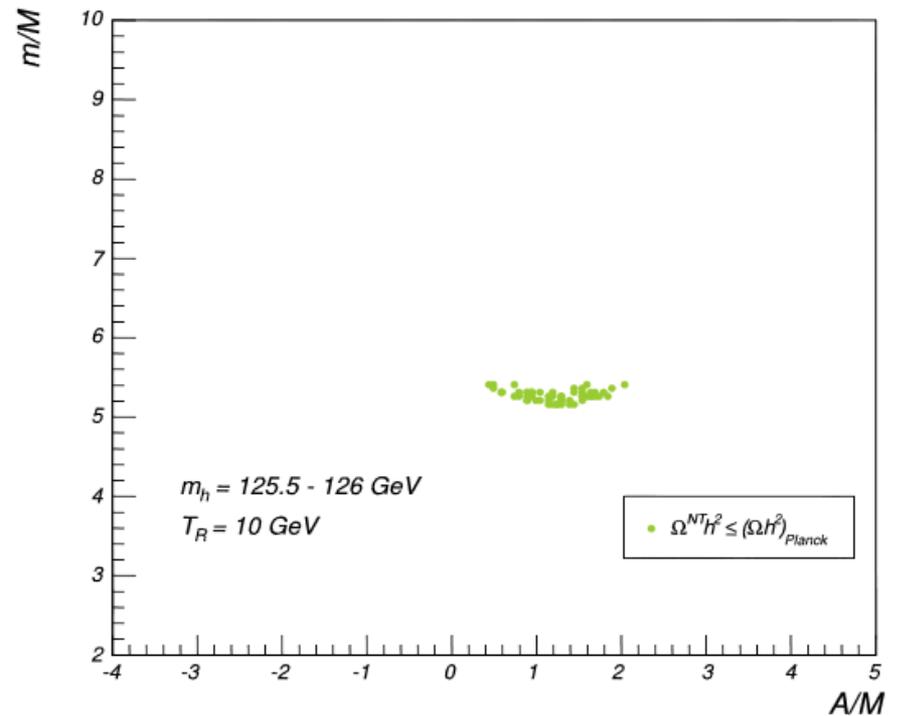
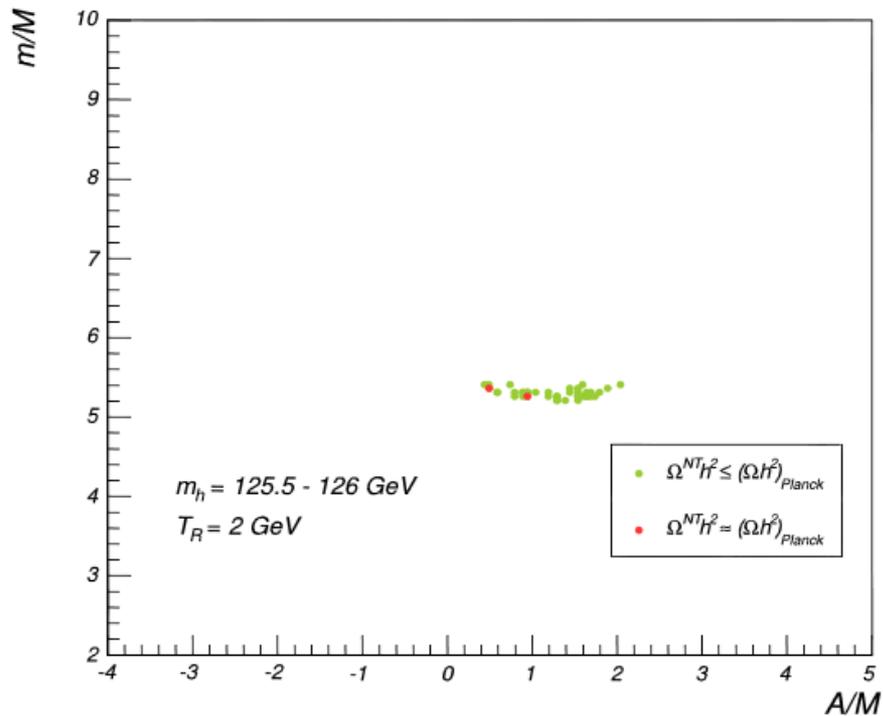
Indirect DM detection (Fermi)

\* Warning: at this stage is purely phenomenological not stringy!

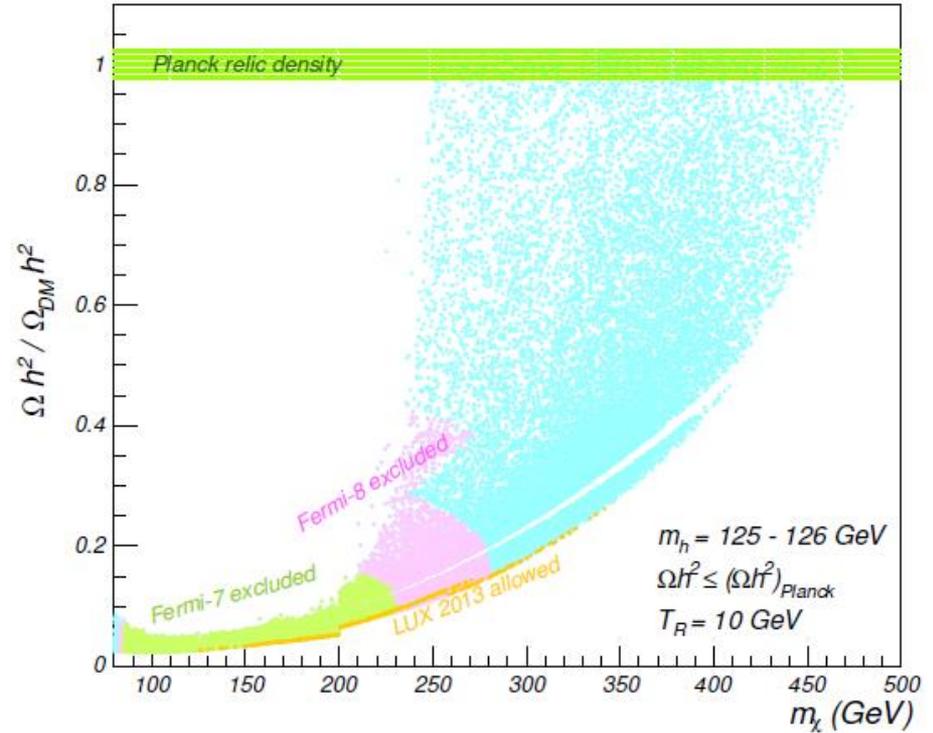
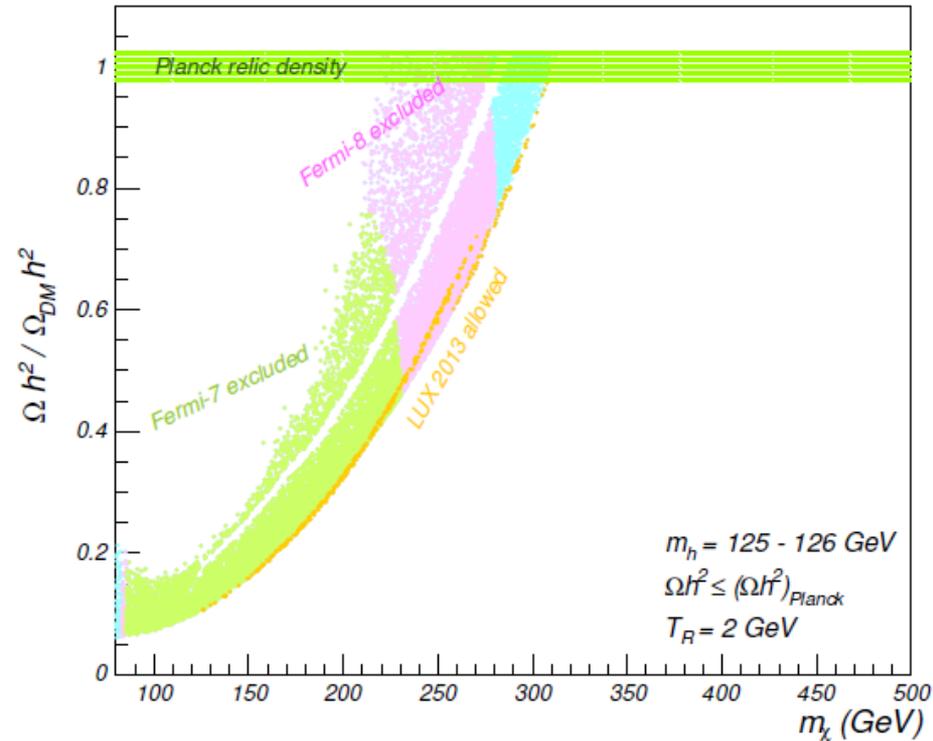
# Collider and CMB constraints



# Direct and Indirect DM Constraints

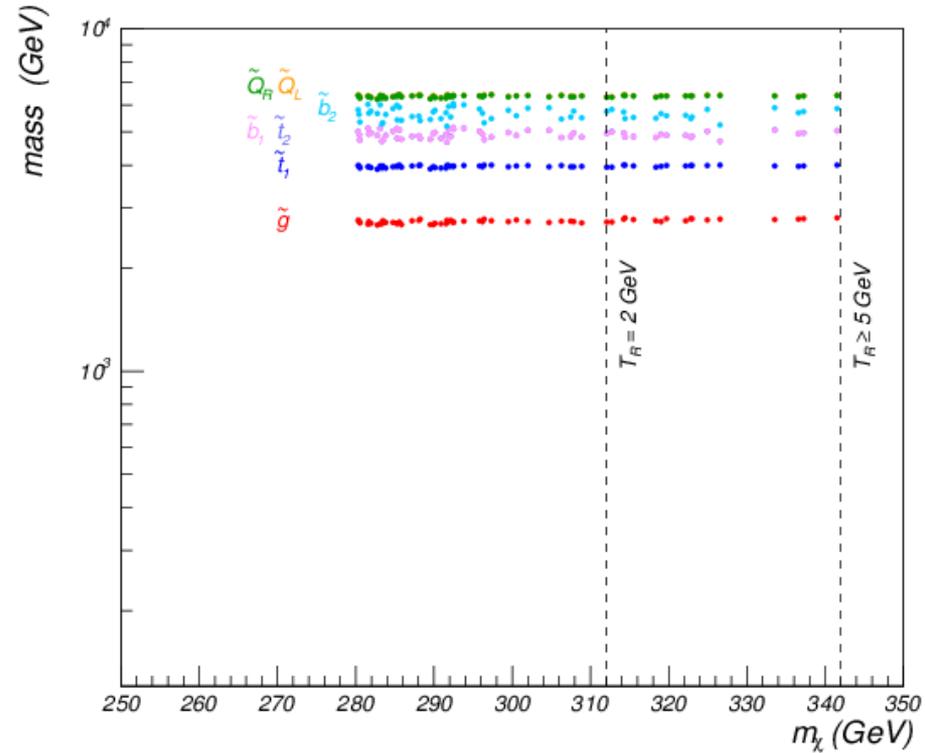
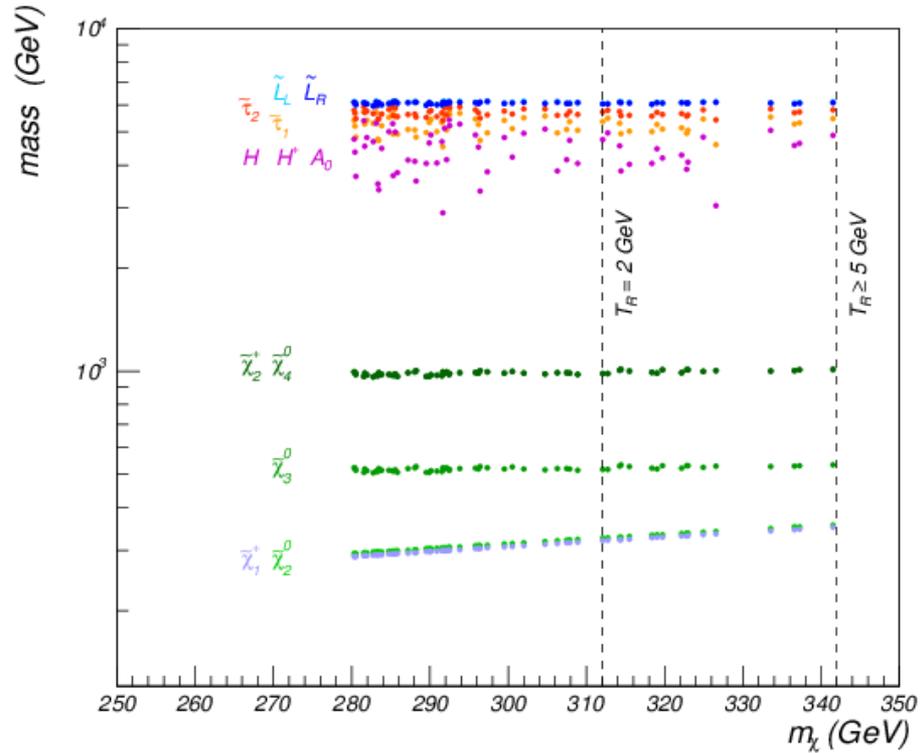


# Survivors



**Neutralino Higgsino-like saturates Planck's density for  $m=300$  GeV,  $T_R=2$  GeV**

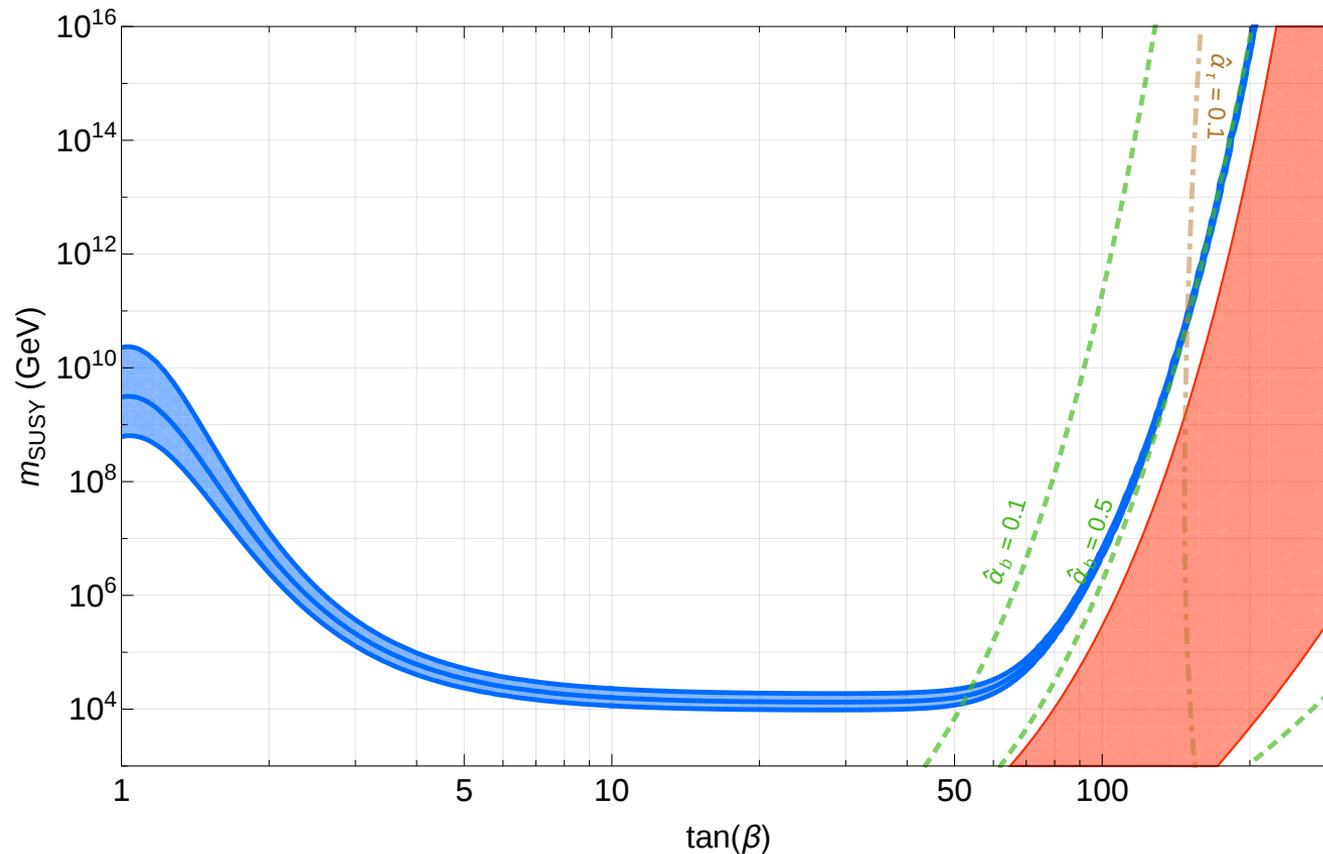
# Spectrum



**LHC signatures:**  
**Monojets + soft leptons + ME**  
**Vector boson fusion jets + large ME**

# Large scale and split SUSY?

**In progress:**  
**strong Higgs mass constraints,**  
**explicit determination of splitting  $m \sim V^{1/2} M$**



# CONCLUSIONS

- Global embedding CY and Moduli Stabilisation  
Several SUSY breaking scenarios  
(tuning at UV, low  $T_R$ )
- Most known ingredients used: geometry, fluxes, branes, perturbative, non-perturbative effects
- Cosmology-Phenomenology interplay
- Complicated models (but recall SM is ugly)
- Many open questions (MSSM, large scales, etc. + formal aspects)