


# Large Volume String Compactifications

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# OUTLINE

- Moduli Stabilisation and the String Landscape
- Exponentially Large Volumes
- SUSY Breaking (LHC Phenomenology)
- Cosmology (Inflation, CMP,...)
- Conclusions



# Moduli Stabilisation and the String Landscape

# The Problem

- String/M-Theory unique but has many solutions or vacua. Moduli: 

Dilaton  $S$ ,  
Kähler  $T$   
Complex structure  $U$   
Wilson lines  $W$ , Brane separation  $Y$
- Some solutions resemble the Standard Model and MSSM but moduli unrealistic.
- Degeneracy : Discrete + Continuous (SUSY) .
- Outstanding Problems: 

SUSY breaking + Vacuum degeneracy.

# KKLT Scenario

- Type IIB String on Calabi-Yau
- Turn on Fluxes

$$\int_a F_3 = n_a \quad \int_b H_3 = m_b$$

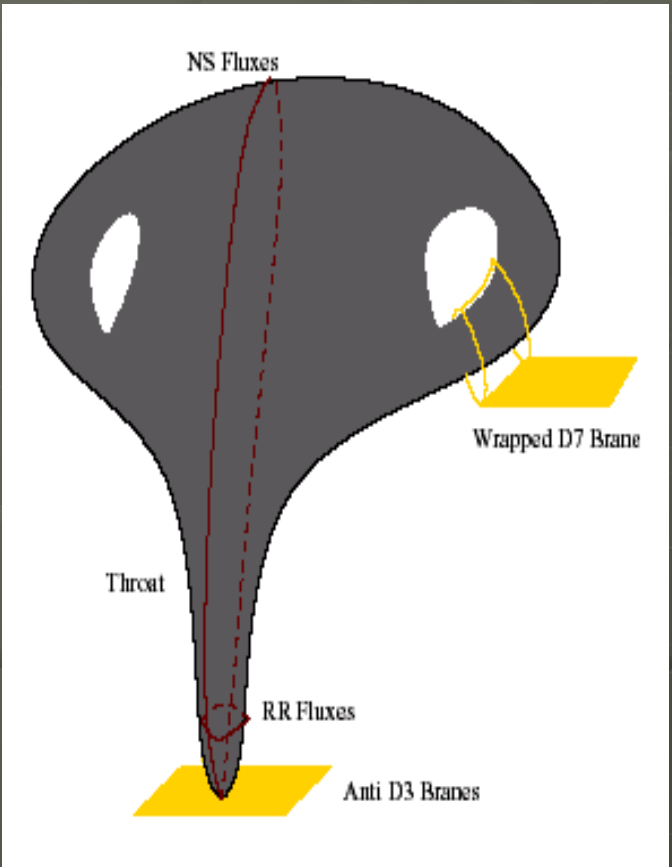
Size of cycle  $a = U_a$

Superpotential  $W = \int G_3 \wedge \Omega, \quad G_3 = F_3 - iS H_3$

Scalar Potential:  $V = e^K |D_a W|^2$

→ Minimum  $D_a W = 0$  Fixes  $U_a$  and  $S$   
T moduli unfixed: **No-Scale models**

# To fix Kähler moduli: Non-perturbative D7 effects



Fluxes      Non-perturbative

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

Volume

$$\mathcal{K} = -2 \log |\mathcal{V}|$$

SUSY AdS minimum

$$V = e^{\mathcal{K}} [G^{i\bar{j}} D_i W \bar{D}_{\bar{j}} \bar{W} - 3|W|^2],$$

$$D_i W \equiv \frac{\partial W}{\partial T_i} + W \frac{\partial \mathcal{K}}{\partial T_i} = 0.$$

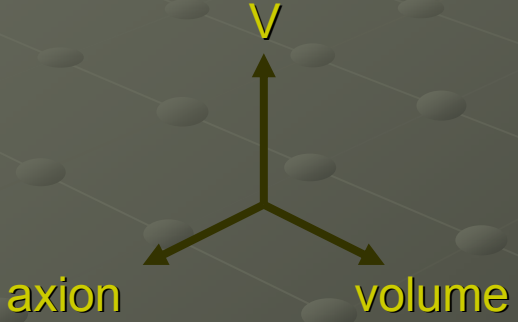
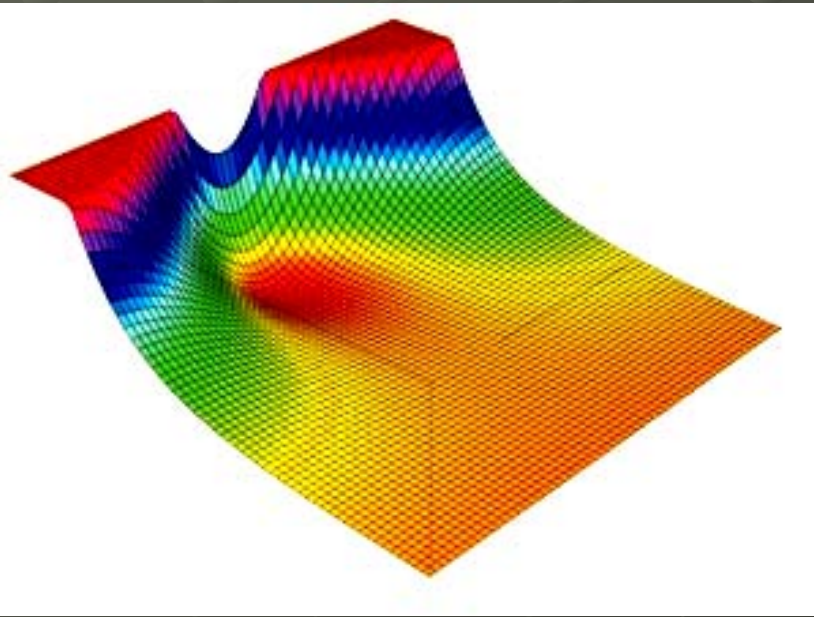
$$(W_0 \ll 1)$$

● Lifting to de Sitter (add anti D3 branes, D-terms, etc.)

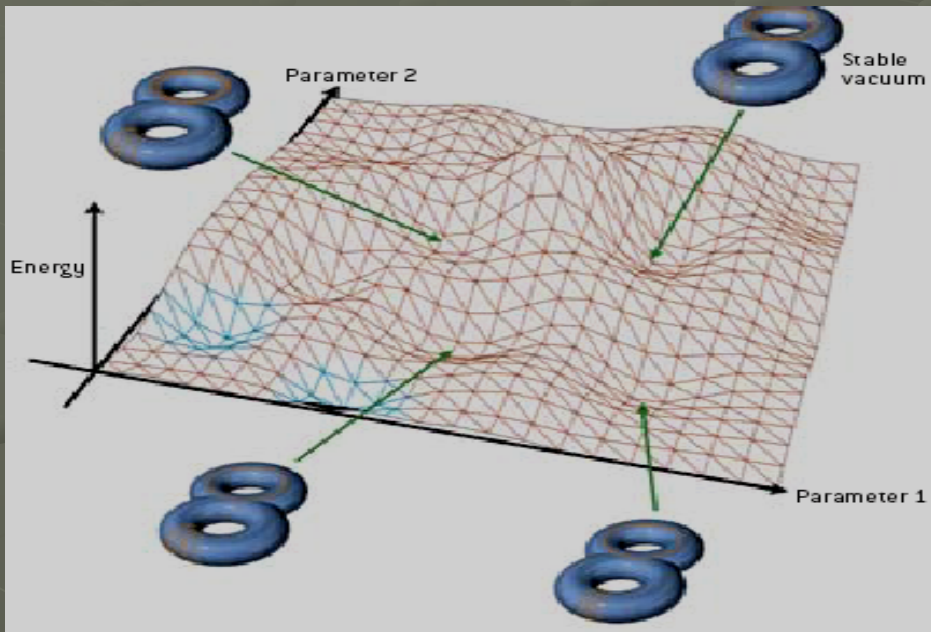
KKLT, BKQ, SS,...

SUSY breaking term

$$V = V_F + \delta V .$$



# The Landscape



- Huge number of discrete vacua  $>10^{500}$
- Statistics **AD, DD, GKTT, CQ, BGHLW**
- Randall-Sundrum warping from strings! **GKP**
- Non SUSY de Sitter
- Dark energy? **BP**





# Exponentially Large Volumes

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BBCQ, CQS

- At least two Kähler moduli ( $h_{2,1} > h_{1,1} > 1$ )
- Perturbative corrections to  $\mathcal{K}$

Example :

$$\mathcal{K} = \mathcal{K}_{cs} - 2 \ln \left( \mathcal{V} + \frac{\xi}{2} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{V} = \frac{1}{9\sqrt{2}} \left( \tau_5^{\frac{3}{2}} - \tau_4^{\frac{3}{2}} \right)$$

$$W = W_0 + A_4 e^{-\frac{\alpha_4}{g_s} T_4} + A_5 e^{-\frac{\alpha_5}{g_s} T_5}.$$

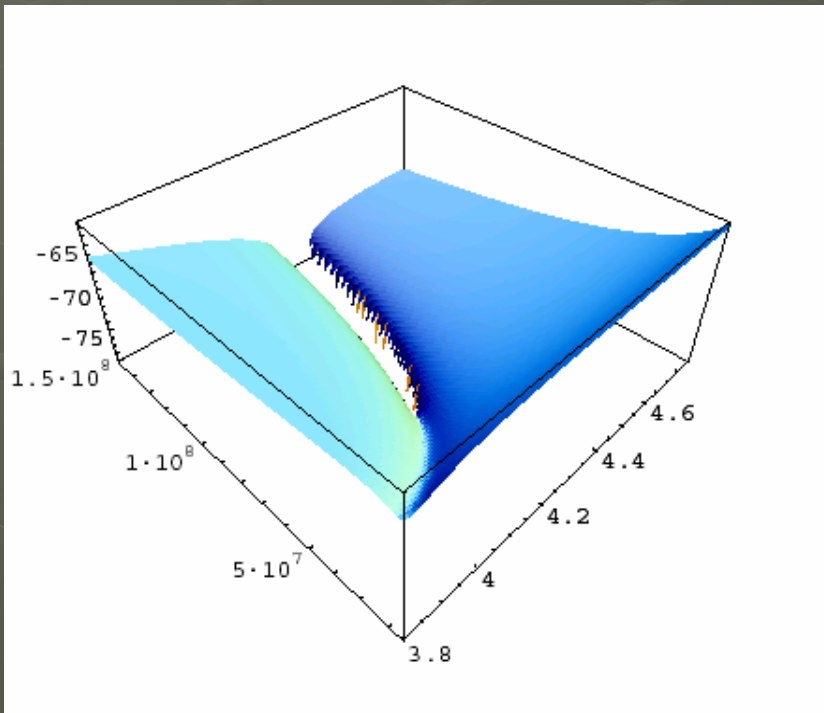


$$\tau_4 \propto \xi^{\frac{2}{3}} \quad \text{and} \quad \langle \mathcal{V} \rangle \propto W_0 e^{\frac{\alpha_4 T_4}{g_s}}.$$

Exponentially large !

# Non SUSY AdS

$$V = \sum_{\Phi=S,U} \frac{\mathcal{K}^{\Phi\bar{\Phi}} D_{\Phi} W \bar{D}_{\bar{\Phi}} \bar{W}}{\mathcal{V}^2} + \frac{(a_s A_s)^2 e^{-2a_s \tau_s}}{\mathcal{V}} - \frac{W_0 a_s A_s e^{-a_s \tau_s}}{\mathcal{V}^2} + \frac{\xi |W_0|^2}{g_s^{3/2} \mathcal{V}^3}.$$

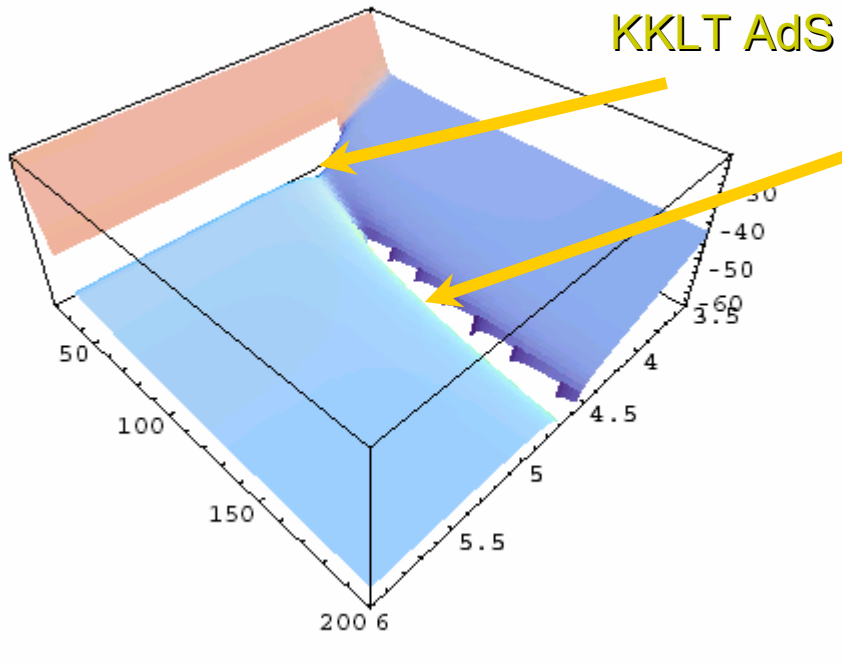


$W_0 \sim 1-10$

String scale:  $M_s^2 = M_p^2 / \mathcal{V}$

Scale	$\mathcal{V}_s$	$g_s N$	$N$ if $g_s = 0.1$
GUT	4600	2.25	22
Intermediate	$4.6 \times 10^9$	0.85	9
TeV	$4.6 \times 10^{27}$	0.30	3

KKLT AdS

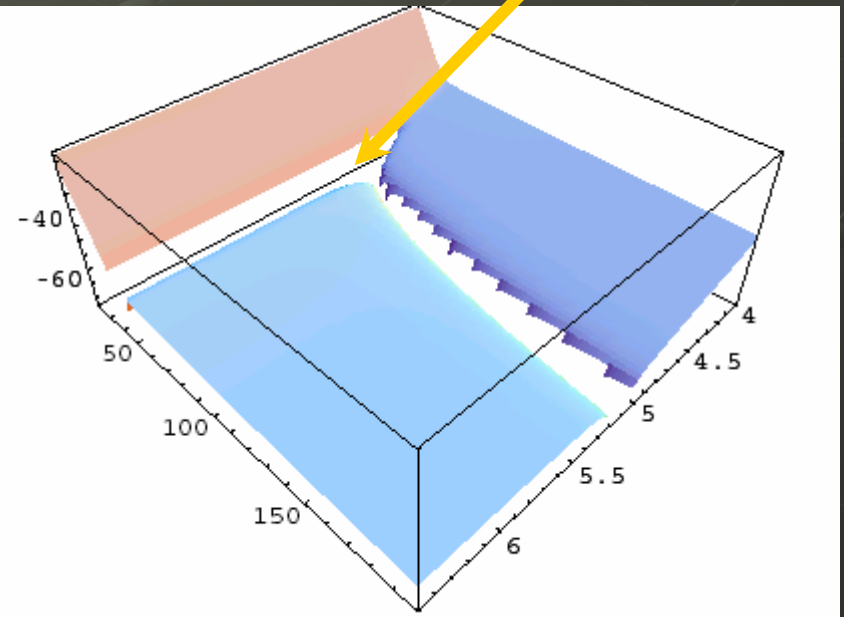


Non SUSY AdS

Both minima merge

$$W_0 \sim 10^{-10}$$

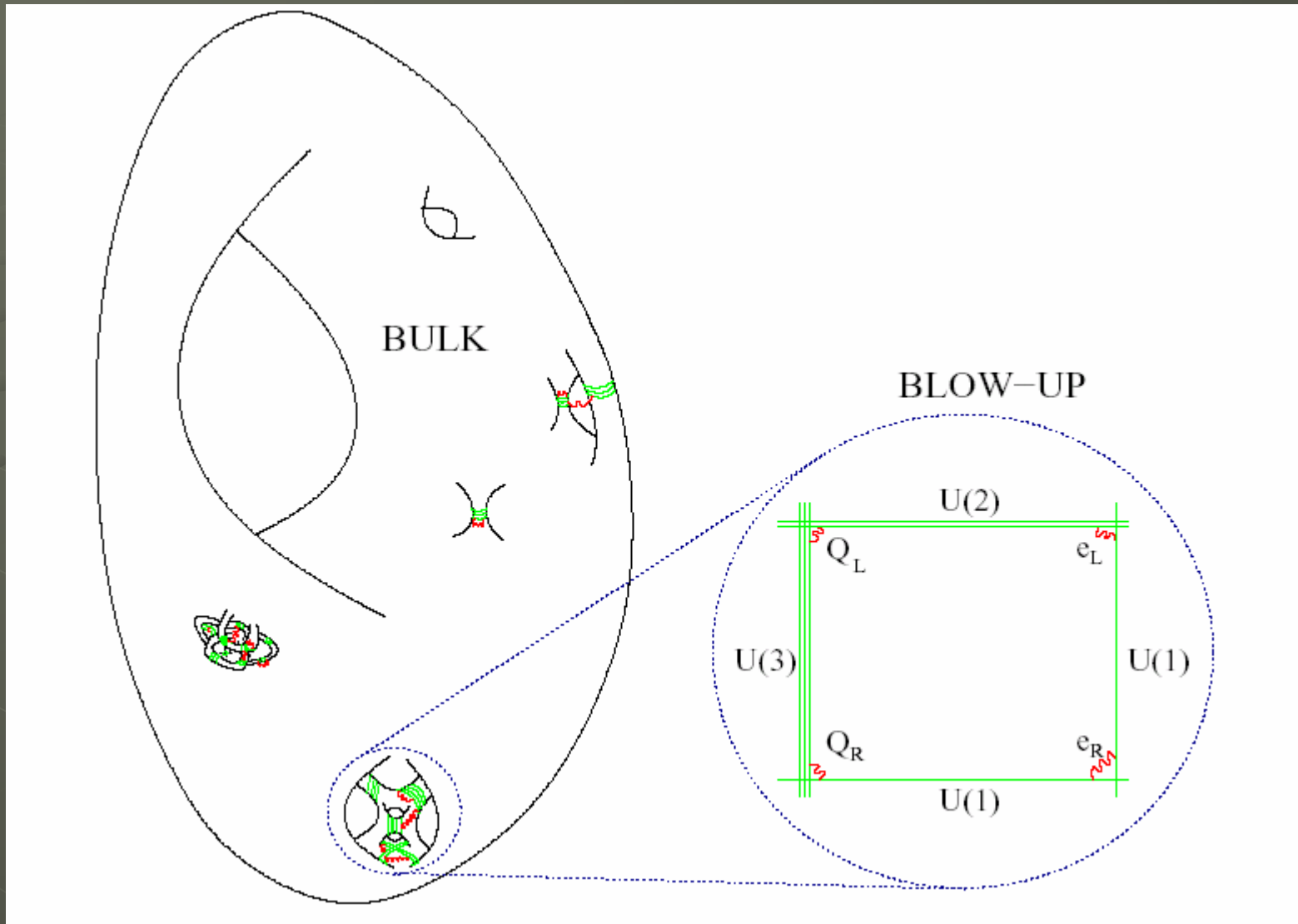
$$W_0 < 10^{-11}$$



# SUSY Breaking

(LHC Signatures)

# The Standard Model in the CY



## 4D effective Action

$$\hat{K}(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}) = -2 \ln \left( \mathcal{V} + \frac{\hat{\xi}}{2g_s^{3/2}} \right) - \ln \left( i \int \Omega \wedge \bar{\Omega} \right) - \ln(S + \bar{S}).$$
$$\hat{W}(\Phi) = \int G_3 \wedge \Omega + \sum_i A_i e^{-a_i T_i}.$$

$\Phi$  moduli, C matter, H Higgs

$$W = \hat{W}(\Phi) + \mu(\Phi) H_1 H_2 + \frac{1}{6} Y_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(\Phi) C^\alpha C^\beta C^\gamma + \dots,$$
$$K = \hat{K}(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}) + \tilde{K}_{\alpha\bar{\beta}}(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}) \bar{C}^\alpha C^{\bar{\beta}} + [Z(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}) H_1 H_2 + h.c.] + \dots,$$
$$f_a = f_a(\Phi).$$

$$\tilde{K}_{\alpha\bar{\beta}} = \frac{\tau_s^\lambda}{\mathcal{V}^{2/3}} k_{\alpha\bar{\beta}}(\phi).$$

**New!**

**Chiral matter in CY**

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# Soft SUSY Breaking

- Large Volume (SM on D3 brane)

CQS, AQS

Scale	Mass	GUT	Intermediate	TeV
Scalars $m_i$	$\frac{g_s^2}{(\mathcal{V}_s^2)^{7/6}} W_0 M_P$	$3.6 \times 10^{11}$ GeV	$3.6 \times 10^4$ GeV	$3.6 \times 10^{-17}$ GeV
Gauginos $M_{D3}$	$\frac{g_s^2}{(\mathcal{V}_s^2)^2} W_0 M_P$	$3.6 \times 10^9$ GeV	$3.6 \times 10^{-3}$ GeV	$3.6 \times 10^{-39}$ GeV
A-term $A$	$\frac{g_s^2}{(\mathcal{V}_s^2)^{4/3}} W_0 M_P$	$3.2 \times 10^{11}$ GeV	$3.2 \times 10^3$ GeV	$3.2 \times 10^{-21}$ GeV
$\mu$ -term $\hat{\mu}$	$\frac{g_s^2}{(\mathcal{V}_s^2)^{4/3}} W_0 M_P$	$3.2 \times 10^{11}$ GeV	$3.2 \times 10^3$ GeV	$3.2 \times 10^{-21}$ GeV
B term $\hat{\mu} B$	$\frac{g_s^2}{(\mathcal{V}_s^2)^{7/6}} W_0 M_P$	$3.6 \times 10^{11}$ GeV	$3.6 \times 10^4$ GeV	$3.6 \times 10^{-17}$ GeV

Matter on D3

$M_s \sim 10^{13}$  GeV    Gaugino masses  $\sim 10^2$  GeV, scalars  $m \sim 10^7$  GeV

$M_s = M_{\text{GUT}}$  viable if warping,

$M_s = \text{TeV}$  'viable' if SM anti D-brane (but 5<sup>th</sup> force and cmp?)



# Standard Model on D3 Brane

## Two General Scenarios

- Intermediate Scale Split SUSY

SM on D3 brane,  $M_s=10^{12}\text{Gev}$

- Stringy mSUGRA

SM on D3 brane,  $M_s=10^{17}\text{Gev}$

Do not solve hierarchy problem(?)

# Standard Model on D7 Branes

- Solve hierarchy problem  $M_{\text{string}} = 10^{11}$  GeV!
- $W_0 \sim 1$  (no fine tuning)
- Kahler potential for *chiral* matter computed

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# Chiral Matter on D7 Branes

## Soft SUSY Breaking terms

$$\begin{aligned}M_i &= \frac{F^s}{2\tau_s}, \\m_\alpha &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}M_i, \\A_{\alpha\beta\gamma} &= -M_i, \\B &= -\frac{4}{3}M_i.\end{aligned}$$

Simplest case

Conlon et al.

$$\begin{aligned}M_i &= \frac{F^s}{2\tau_s}, \\m_\alpha &= \sqrt{\lambda}M_i, \\A_{\alpha\beta\gamma} &= -3\lambda M_i, \\B &= -(\lambda + 1)M_i.\end{aligned}$$

More general case

- Universality!
- No extra CP violation!
- $M_i = m_{3/2} / \log (M_p/m_{3/2})$
- String scale  $10^{11}$  GeV
- Solves hierarchy problem!

# Stringy source of universality (approximate)

$$\Phi = \Psi_{\text{susy-breaking}} \oplus \chi_{\text{flavour}}.$$

$\Psi \iff$  Kähler moduli,  
 $\chi \iff$  Complex structure moduli.

**CP Violation**

$$\phi_A = \left\{ \arg \left( \frac{A_{\alpha\beta\gamma}}{Y_{\alpha\beta\gamma}} \right) \right\}, \phi_B = \{ \arg B \}, \phi_C = \{ \arg(M_a) \}.$$

Physical phases  $\phi = \{ \phi_A - \phi_C, \phi_B - \phi_C \}$  vanish !

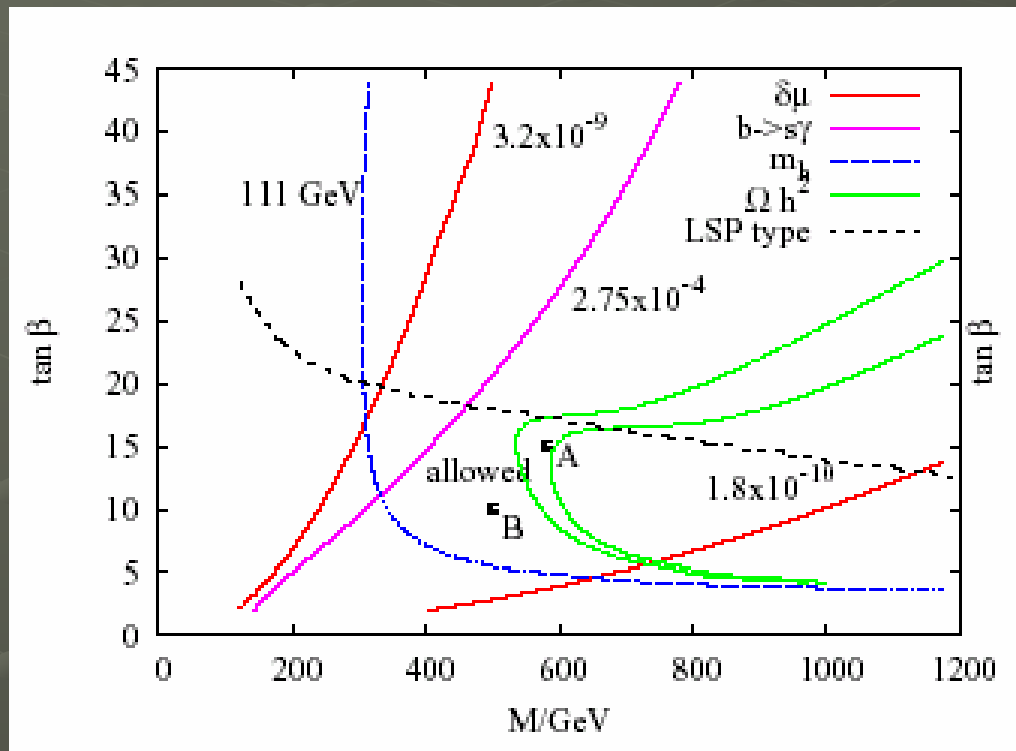
Also: Anomaly mediation suppressed !

# From Strings to LHC data

- Stabilise Moduli
- SUSY broken with hierarchy
- “Realistic” Observable sector
- Soft SUSY Breaking terms@Ms
- RG-Running of Soft terms to TeV (*softsusy*)
- Event Generators (*PYTHIA-Herwig*)
- Detector Simulators (*PGS, GEANT*)
- Data Analysis (*Root*)
- Estimate overall uncertainty

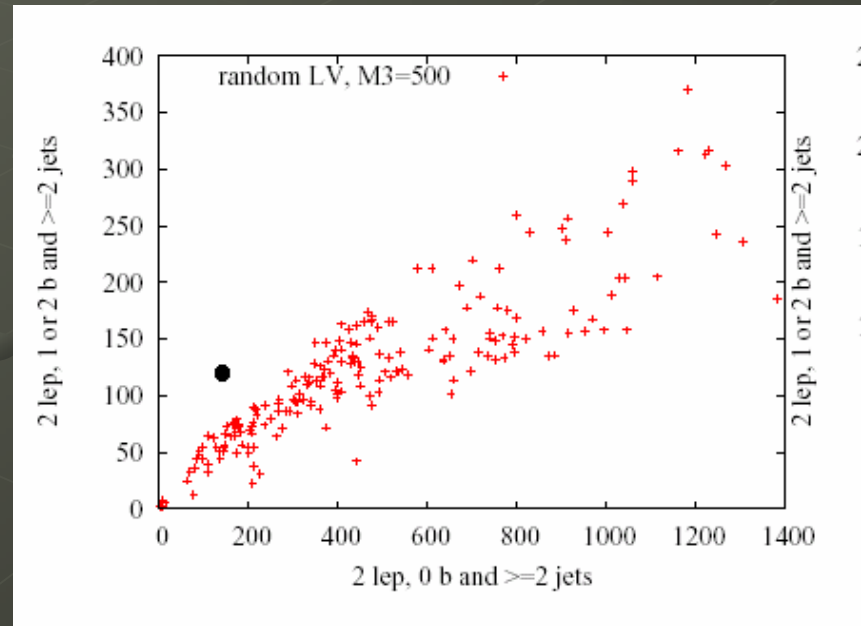
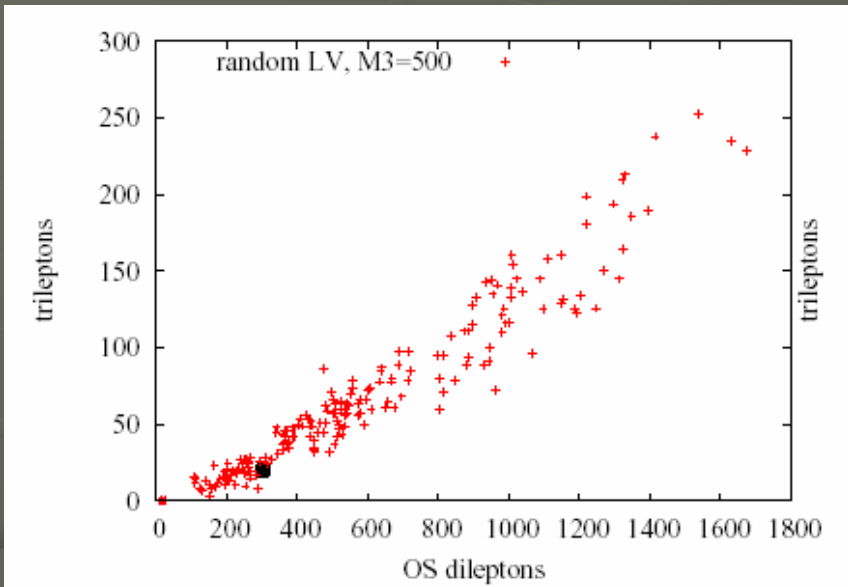
# Renormalisation group run

## Allowed Regions



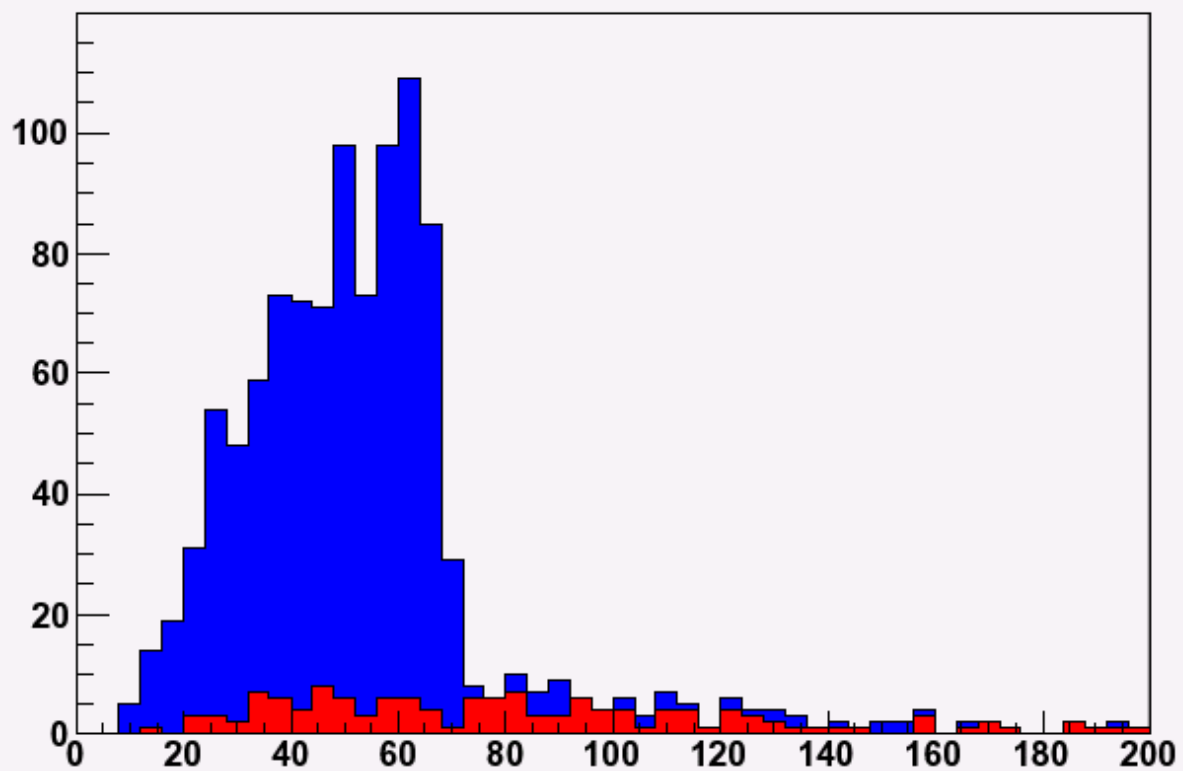


# Some observables





e+e- + mu+mu- endpoint



# Sources of uncertainty

- Gaugino masses

1. Dilute flux limit

$$f_{SU(3)} = \frac{T_s}{2\pi},$$

$$f_{SU(2)} = \frac{T_s}{2\pi},$$

$$f_{U(1)_Y} = k_Y \frac{T_s}{2\pi}.$$

2. Physical case

$$f_{SU(3)} = \frac{T_s}{2\pi} + h_{SU(3)}(F)S,$$

$$f_{SU(2)} = \frac{T_s}{2\pi} + h_{SU(2)}(F)S,$$

$$f_{U(1)_Y} = k_Y \left( \frac{T_s}{2\pi} + h_{U(1)}(F)S \right).$$

1. Dilute flux limit

$$M_1 = M_2 = M_3 = \frac{F^s}{2\tau_s} \equiv M.$$

2. Physical case

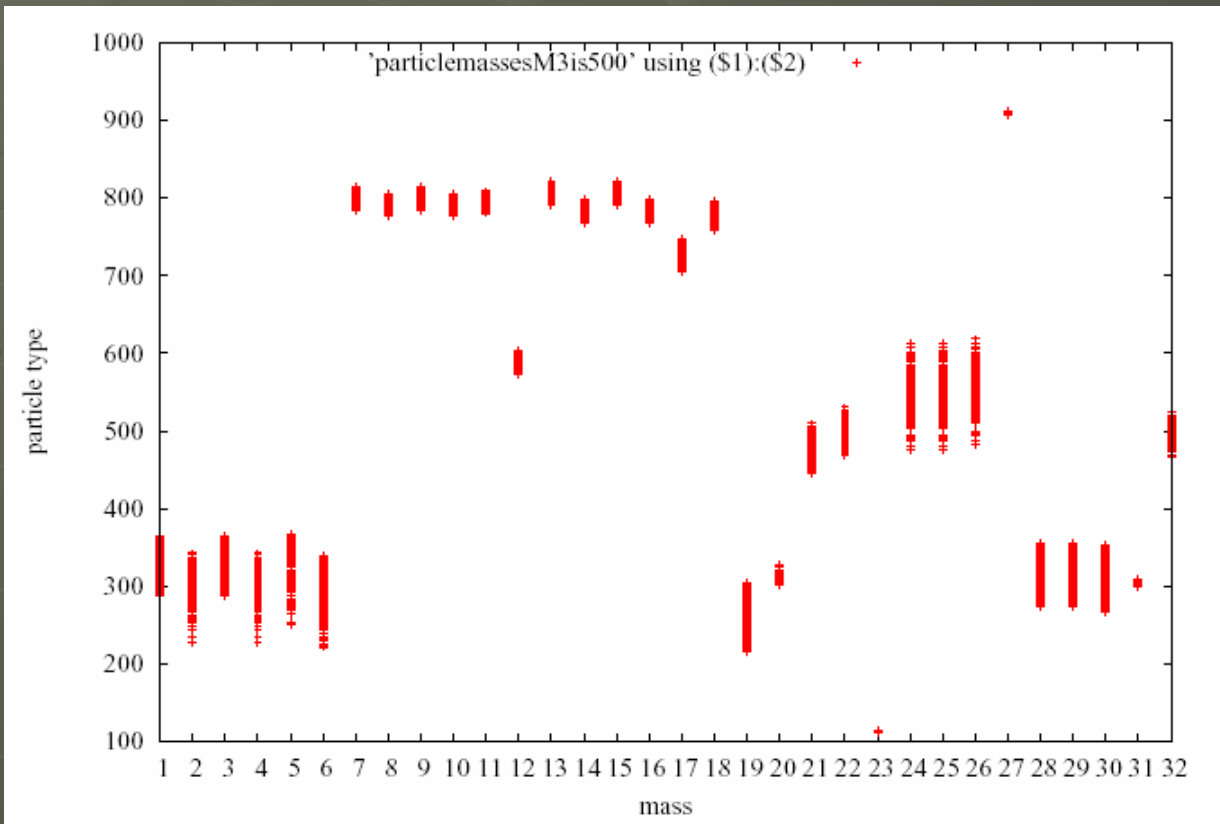
$$M_1 = \frac{F^s}{2(\tau_s + 2\pi h_1(F)\text{Re}(S))},$$

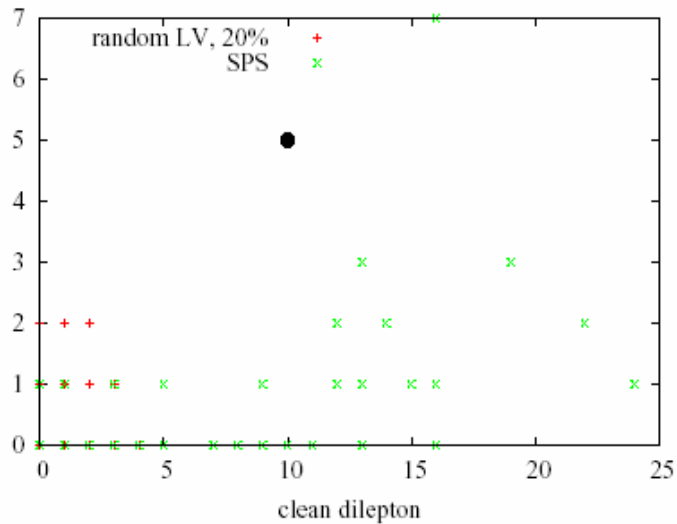
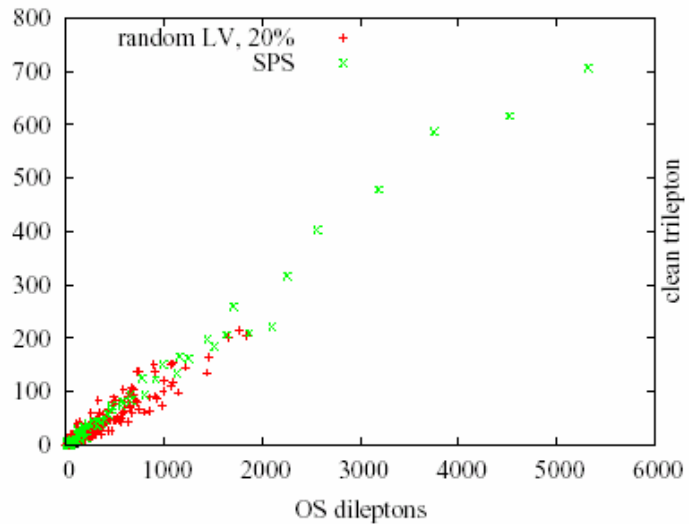
$$M_2 = \frac{F^s}{2(\tau_s + 2\pi h_2(F)\text{Re}(S))},$$

$$M_3 = \frac{F^s}{2(\tau_s + 2\pi h_3(F)\text{Re}(S))}.$$

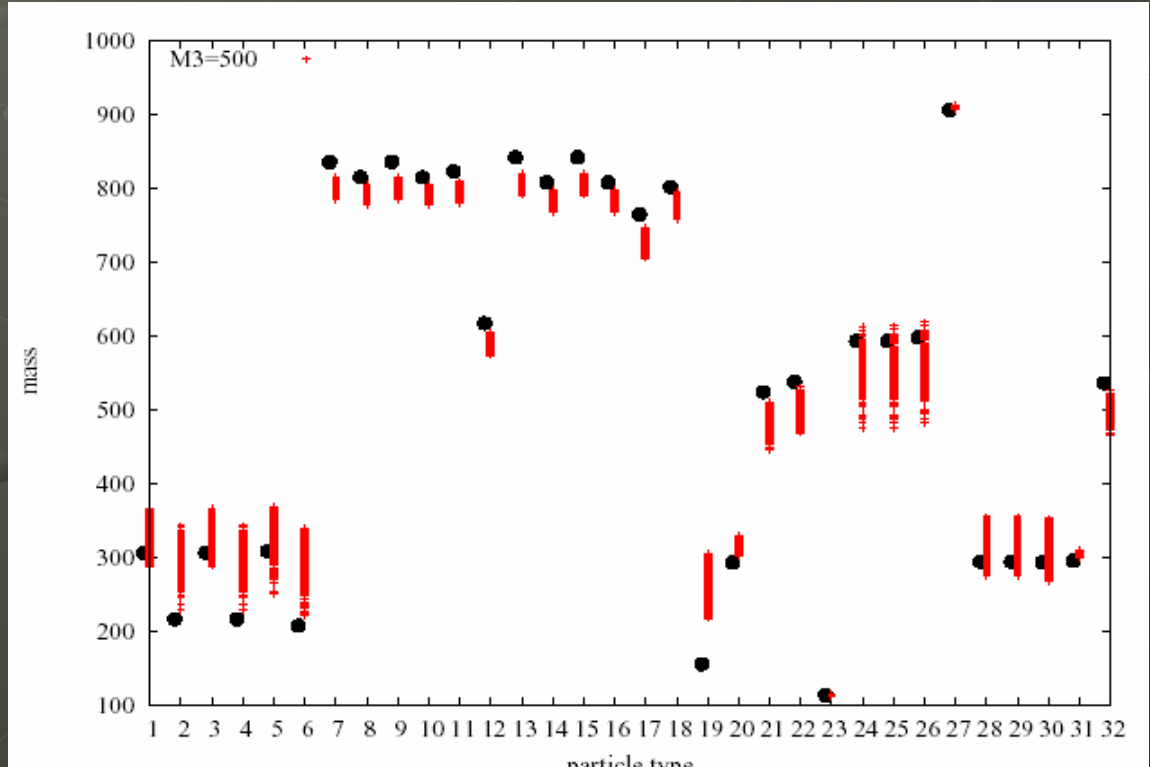
- Spectrum Beyond MSSM

# Spectrum uncertainty





Comparison with MSUGRA



# Smoking gun?

## ● Gaugino masses

$$(M_3 : M_2 : M_1) \Big|_{M_Z} = (g_3^2 : g_2^2 : k_Y g_1^2) \Big|_{M_Z} \sim 6 : 2 : (1.5 \rightarrow 2).$$

Large volume

$$(M_3 : M_2 : M_1) \Big|_{M_Z} = (g_3^2 : g_2^2 : g_1^2) \Big|_{M_Z} \sim 6 : 2 : 1.$$

MSUGRA

## ● Scalar masses (focus)

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{M_3^2}{m_{\tilde{q}}^2} \right) = -3 \left( \frac{M_3^2}{m_{\tilde{q}}^2} \right) \left( \frac{g_3^2}{4\pi} \right) + \frac{8}{3} \left( \frac{g_3^2}{4\pi} \right) \left( \frac{M_3^2}{m_{\tilde{q}}^2} \right)^2.$$

Intermediate vs  
GUT scale !

# Cosmology

(Inflation, Cosmological moduli  
problem, etc.)

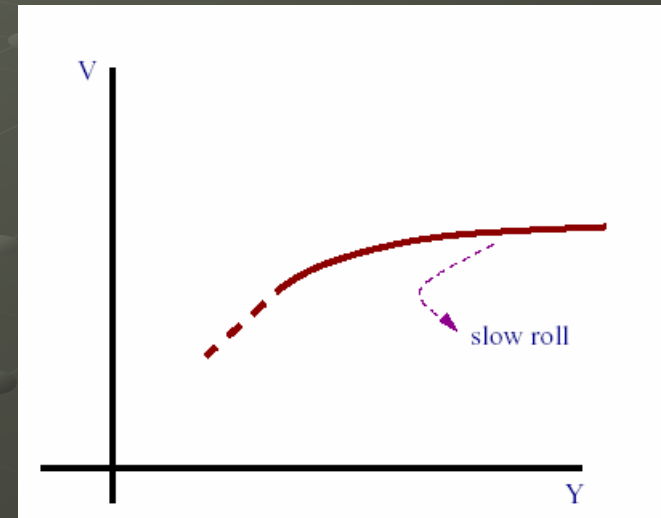
# Inflation

- Need to compute scalar potential from String theory satisfying slow-roll conditions:

$$\epsilon \equiv \frac{M_{\text{Planck}}^2}{2} \left( \frac{V'}{V} \right)^2 \ll 1,$$
$$\eta \equiv M_{\text{Planck}}^2 \frac{V''}{V} \ll 1.$$

Number of e-folds  $N > 60$

$$N(t) \equiv \int_{t_{\text{init}}}^{t_{\text{end}}} H(t') dt' = \int_{\psi_{\text{init}}}^{\psi_{\text{end}}} \frac{H}{\dot{\psi}} d\psi = \frac{1}{M_{\text{Planck}}^2} \int_{\psi_{\text{end}}}^{\psi_{\text{init}}} \frac{V}{V'} d\psi.$$



Density perturbations

$$\delta_H = \frac{2}{5} \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}^{1/2} = \frac{1}{5\pi\sqrt{3}} \frac{V^{3/2}}{M_p^3 V'} = 1.91 \times 10^{-5},$$

$$n - 1 = \frac{\partial \ln \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}}{\partial \ln k} \simeq 2\eta - 6\epsilon, \quad \frac{dn}{d \ln k} \simeq 24\epsilon^2 - 16\epsilon\eta + 2\xi^2.$$

$$n_{\text{grav}} = \frac{d \ln \mathcal{P}_{\text{grav}}(k)}{d \ln k} = -2\epsilon.$$

# Inflation and Moduli Stabilisation

- Brane-antibrane inflation (also DBI)
- Racetrack inflation

First explicit inflation realisations in string theory

Fine tuning  $1/1000$  or large fluxes ?



# Kähler Moduli Inflation

Conlon-FQ

Bond-Kofman-Prokushkin

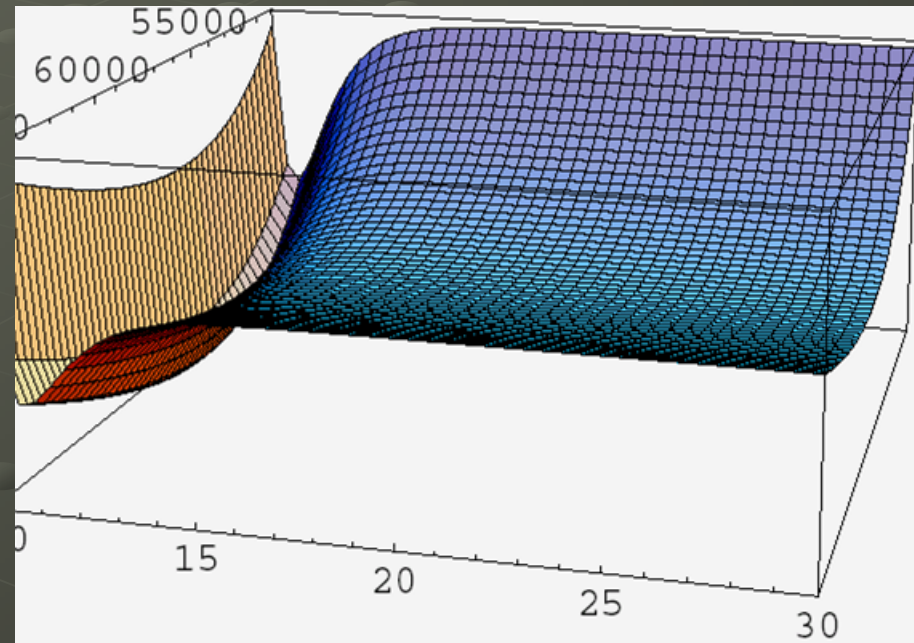
Calabi-Yau:

$$h_{2,1} > h_{1,1} > 2$$

$$W = W_0 + \sum_{i=2}^n A_i e^{-a_i T_i},$$

$$\mathcal{K} = \mathcal{K}_{cs} - 2 \ln \left[ \alpha \left( \tau_1^{3/2} - \sum_{i=2}^n \lambda_i \tau_i^{3/2} \right) + \frac{\xi}{2} \right],$$

$$V = \sum_i \frac{8(a_i A_i)^2 \sqrt{\tau_i}}{3\gamma \lambda_i \alpha} e^{-2a_i \tau_i} - \sum_i 4 \frac{a_i A_i}{\gamma^2} W_0 \tau_i e^{-a_i \tau_i} + \frac{3\xi W_0^2}{4\gamma^3}.$$

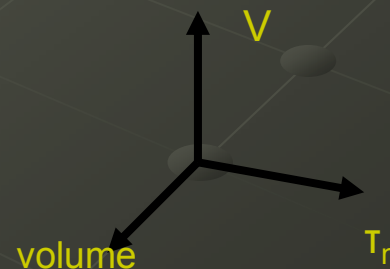


Small field inflation

No fine-tuning!!

$$0.960 < n < 0.967$$

GUT scale  $M_s$ ?, Loops?



# Other Cosmological Implications

- Cosmological moduli problem

U,S: trapped at their minimum

T: except for volume, heavy and decay fast ! (No CMP nor gravitino overproduction)

Volume: (mass MeV) CMP (thermal inflation?).  
Dark matter?

- Observational implications of light volume modulus?

X-rays, Gamma rays,  $e^+e^-$  (511 KeV?)

# CONCLUSIONS

- Exciting times for string phenomenology!
- Soft terms calculable for first time → rich phenomenology
- Intermediate scale strings: hierarchy, QCD axions, neutrino masses (Conlon, Conlon+Cremades)
- Concrete models of inflation
- Model independent light modulus
- Many open questions (A fully realistic model?)

(String Vacuum Project (SVP)?)