

# Toward realistic de Sitter heterotic-string models with stable moduli



- 1989 – . . . Minimal Standard Heterotic String Models . . .
- 2003 – . . . Classification of fermionic  $Z_2 \times Z_2$  orbifolds . . .
- 2019 – . . . 10D tachyonic vacua  $\rightarrow$  phenomenology?
- 2022 – . . . toward de Sitter vacua with stable moduli – . . .

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## WHY?

DATA  $\rightarrow$  STANDARD MODEL  $\leftrightarrow$  HIGGS!

EWX  $\rightarrow$  PERTUBATIVE

STANDARD MODEL  $\rightarrow$  UNIFICATION

EVIDENCE: 16 of SO(10), Log running, proton stability, neutrino masses

+ GRAVITY  $\langle \text{---} \rangle$  STRINGS

UNIFICATION of Flavour, Gravity and Hierarcchy

PRIMARY GUIDES:

3 generations

SO(10) embedding

Higgs : Fundamental? Composite? SM? Multi? SSC?!

## Elements of string unification:

Classically  $g^{\alpha\beta} \longrightarrow \eta^{\alpha\beta}$  2D WS-metric

Quantum  $D = 26$  (Bosonic)  $D = 10$  (Fermionic)

Heterotic-string  $D_L = 10$   $D_R = 26$

REAL WORLD  $D = 4$

$\Rightarrow$  Bosonic  $\rightarrow 4_{L+R} + 22_L + 22_R$

$\Rightarrow$  Fermionic  $\rightarrow 4_{L+R} + 6_L + 6_R$

$\Rightarrow$  Heterotic-string  $\rightarrow 4_{L+R} + (6_L + 6_R) + 16_R$

6D IM 16D w  $R_J = \sqrt{2}$

Moduli  $\rightarrow$  size & shape of internal  $6D$  manifold

# REALISTIC STRING MODELS :

heterotic 10D  $\rightarrow$  heterotic 4D

6D compactifications  $(T^2 \times T^2 \times T^2)$

Orbifold – twists of flat 6D torus



FREE FERMIONIC MODELS –

$Z_2 \times Z_2$  Orbifold  $\rightarrow U(1)_Y \in SO(10)$

$$\frac{6}{2} = 1+1+1$$

## $Z_2 \times Z_2$ orbifolds

torus: One complex parameter  $Z = Z + n e_1 + m e_2$

$T^2 \times T^2 \times T^2 \longrightarrow$  Three complex coordinates  $z_1$ ,  $z_2$  and  $z_3$

$Z_2$  orbifold:  $Z = -Z + \sum_i m_i e_i \longrightarrow$  4 fixed points

$$Z = \{ 0, 1/2 e_1, 1/2 e_2, 1/2 (e_1 + e_2) \}$$

$$\frac{T^2 \times T^2 \times T^2}{Z_2 \times Z_2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha : (z_1, z_2, z_3) &\rightarrow (-z_1, -z_2, +z_3) \rightarrow 16 \\ \beta : (z_1, z_2, z_3) &\rightarrow (+z_1, -z_2, -z_3) \rightarrow 16 \\ \alpha\beta : (z_1, z_2, z_3) &\rightarrow (-z_1, +z_2, -z_3) \rightarrow \underline{16} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\gamma : (z_1, z_2, z_3) \rightarrow (z_1+1/2, z_2+1/2, z_3+1/2) \longrightarrow 24$$

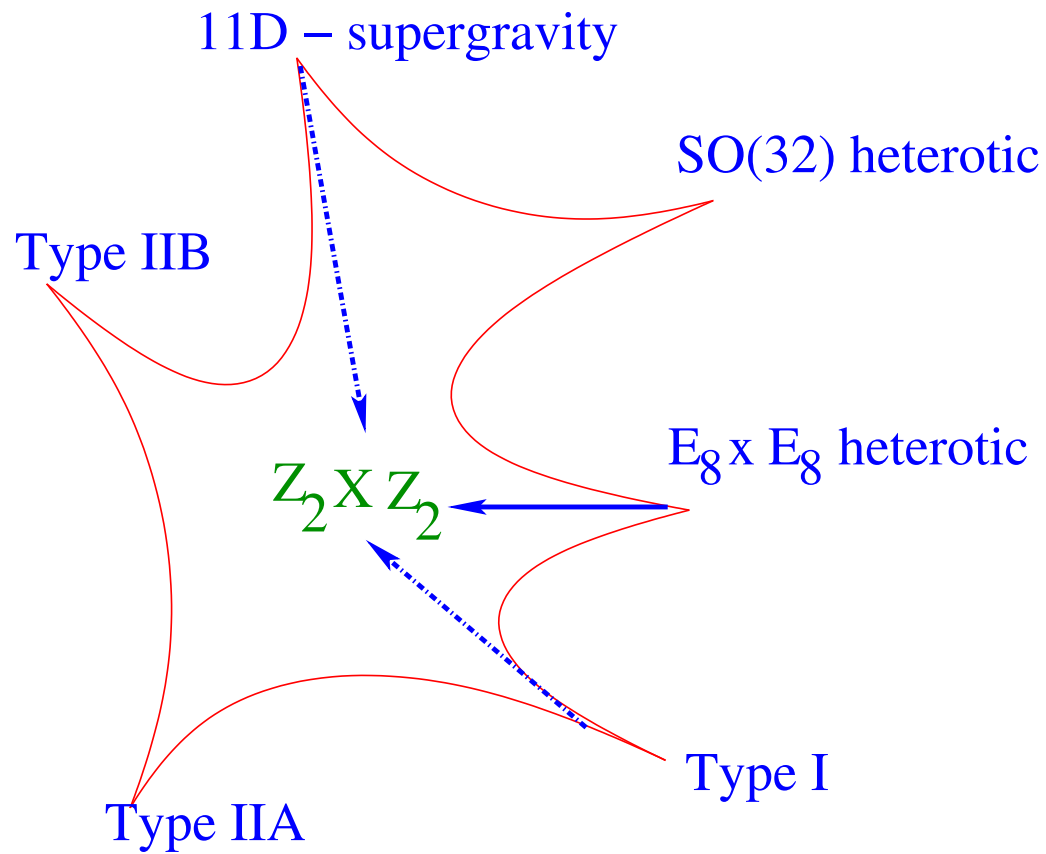
## Fermionic $Z_2 \times Z_2$ orbifolds

### 'Phenomenology of the Standard Model and Unification'

- Minimal Superstring Standard Model NPB 335 (1990) 347  
(with Nanopoulos & Yuan)
- Top quark mass  $\sim 175\text{--}180\text{GeV}$  PLB 274 (1992) 47
- Generation mass hierarchy NPB 407 (1993) 57
- CKM mixing NPB 416 (1994) 63 (with Halyo)
- Stringy seesaw mechanism PLB 307 (1993) 311 (with Halyo)
- Gauge coupling unification NPB 457 (1995) 409 (with Dienes)
- Proton stability NPB 428 (1994) 111
- Squark degeneracy NPB 526 (1998) 21 (with Pati)
- Moduli fixing NPB 728 (2005) 83
- Classification 2003 – . . .

(with Kounnas, Rizos & ... Percival, Matyas)

Point, String, Membrane ....



+ ...  $SO(16) \times SO(16)$ ,  $E_8$ ,  $SO(16) \times E_8$  + ...

... Abel, Basile, Dienes, Kaidi, Itoyama ...

# Fermionic Construction

Left-Movers:  $\psi^{\mu=1,2}$ ,  $\chi_i$ ,  $y_i$ ,  $\omega_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, 6$ )

Right-Movers

$$\bar{\phi}_{A=1, \dots, 44} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \bar{y}_i, \bar{\omega}_i & i = 1, \dots, 6 \\ \bar{\eta}_i & U(1)_i \quad i = 1, 2, 3 \\ \bar{\psi}_{1, \dots, 5} & SO(10) \\ \bar{\phi}_{1, \dots, 8} & SO(16) \end{array} \right.$$

$$V \longrightarrow V \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram of a torus with two handles (green solid lines) and two additional handles (red dashed lines).} \end{array} \quad f \longrightarrow -e^{i\pi\alpha(f)} f$$

$$Z = \sum_{\text{all spin structures}} c\left(\begin{array}{c} \vec{\alpha} \\ \vec{\beta} \end{array}\right) Z\left(\begin{array}{c} \vec{\alpha} \\ \vec{\beta} \end{array}\right)$$

Models  $\longleftrightarrow$  Basis vectors + one-loop phases



## Model building – Construction of the physical states

$$b_j \quad j = 1, \dots, N \quad \rightarrow \quad \Xi = \sum_j n_j b_j$$

$$\text{For } \vec{\alpha} = (\vec{\alpha}_L; \vec{\alpha}_R) \in \Xi \Rightarrow H_{\vec{\alpha}}$$

$$\alpha(f) = 1 \Rightarrow |\pm\rangle \quad ; \quad \alpha(f) \neq 1 \Rightarrow f|0\rangle, f^*|0\rangle \quad , \quad \nu_{f,f^*} = \frac{1 \mp \alpha(f)}{2}$$

$$M_L^2 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\vec{\alpha}_L \cdot \vec{\alpha}_L}{8} + N_L = -1 + \frac{\vec{\alpha}_R \cdot \vec{\alpha}_R}{8} + N_R = M_R^2 \quad ( \equiv 0 )$$

GSO projections

$$e^{i\pi(\vec{b}_i \cdot \vec{F}_\alpha)} |s\rangle_{\vec{\alpha}} = \delta_\alpha c^* \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\alpha} \\ \vec{b}_i \end{pmatrix} |s\rangle_{\vec{\alpha}}$$

$$F_\alpha(f) \rightarrow \text{fermion \# operator} = \begin{cases} -1, & |-\rangle \\ 0, & |+\rangle \end{cases} = \begin{cases} +1, & f \\ -1, & f^* \end{cases}$$

$$Q(f) = \frac{1}{2}\alpha(f) + F(f) \rightarrow \text{U(1) charges}$$

Example :  $\vec{\alpha} = \vec{S} = ( \underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{\psi_{12}^\mu, \chi^{12}, \chi^{34}, \chi^{56}}, 0, \dots, 0 | 0, \dots, 0).$

$$(\vec{S}_L \cdot \vec{S}_L = 4 \quad \vec{S}_R \cdot \vec{S}_R = 0)$$

For  $\alpha(f) = 1 \rightarrow$  periodic BC  $\Rightarrow F : |\pm\rangle = \begin{cases} -1, & F : |-\rangle \\ 0, & F : |+\rangle \end{cases}$

otherwise  $F(f|0\rangle; f^*|0\rangle) = \pm 1|0\rangle \quad \nu_{f;f^*} = \frac{1 \pm \alpha(f)}{2}$

Mass formula  $M_L^2 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{4}{8} + N_L = -1 + \frac{0}{8} + N_R = M_R^2$

$$\nu_f = \frac{1 \pm 0}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow N_R = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

$$|S\rangle_S = |D\rangle_L \bar{\phi}_{\frac{1}{2}} \bar{\phi}_{\frac{1}{2}} |0\rangle_R \quad |D\rangle_L = \left[ \binom{4}{0} + \binom{4}{1} + \binom{4}{2} + \binom{4}{3} + \binom{4}{4} \right]$$

apply GSO projections :  $e^{i\pi \vec{S} \cdot \vec{F}_S} |S\rangle_S = \delta_S c^* \binom{S}{S} |S\rangle_S = \pm |S\rangle_S$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \binom{4}{0} + \binom{4}{2} + \binom{4}{4} \right]_+ \quad \text{or} \quad \left[ \binom{4}{1} + \binom{4}{3} \right]_-$$

$$Q(\bar{f}) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 0 \pm 1 = \pm 1$$

## Basis vectors:

$$1 = \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{1,\dots,6}, y^{1,\dots,6}, \omega^{1,\dots,6} \mid \bar{y}^{1,\dots,6}, \bar{\omega}^{1,\dots,6}, \bar{\eta}^{1,2,3}, \bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}, \bar{\phi}^{1,\dots,8}\}$$

$$S = \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{1,\dots,6}\}, \quad S + \Xi \longrightarrow \text{SUSY generator}$$

$$z_1 = \{\bar{\phi}^{1,\dots,4}\},$$

$$z_2 = \{\bar{\phi}^{5,\dots,8}\},$$

$$e_i = \{y^i, \omega^i \mid \bar{y}^i, \bar{\omega}^i\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, 6, \quad N = 4 \text{ Vacua}$$

$$b_1 = \{\chi^{34}, \chi^{56}, y^{34}, y^{56} \mid \bar{y}^{34}, \bar{y}^{56}, \bar{\eta}^1, \bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}\}, \quad N = 4 \rightarrow N = 2$$

$$b_2 = \{\chi^{12}, \chi^{56}, y^{12}, y^{56} \mid \bar{y}^{12}, \bar{y}^{56}, \bar{\eta}^2, \bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}\}, \quad N = 2 \rightarrow N = 1$$

$$\alpha = \{\bar{\psi}^{4,5}, \bar{\phi}^{1,2}\} \quad \& \quad SO(10) \rightarrow SO(6) \times SO(4) \times \dots$$

$$\beta = \{\bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5} \equiv \frac{1}{2}, \dots\} \quad \& \quad SO(10) \rightarrow SU(5) \times U(1) \times \dots$$

Independent phases  $c \begin{bmatrix} v_i \\ v_j \end{bmatrix} = \exp[i\pi(v_i|v_j)]:$  **upper block**

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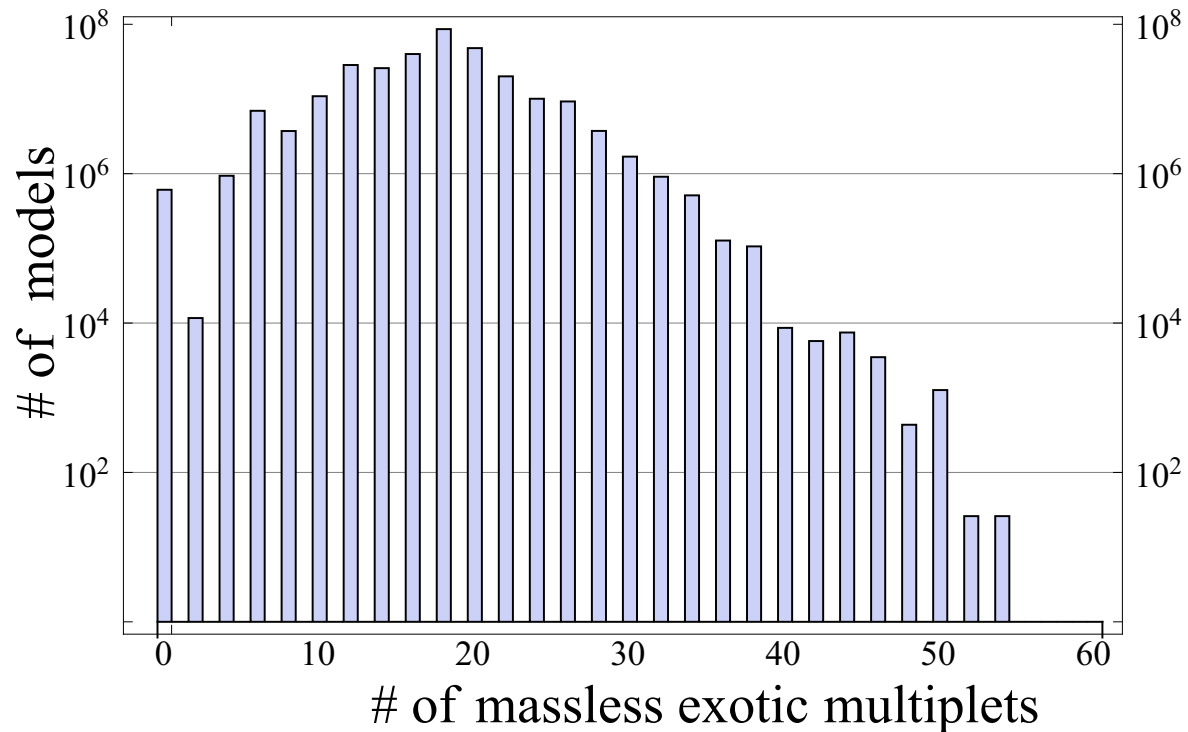
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 z_2 \\
 b_1 \\
 b_2 \\
 \alpha
 \end{array}
 \begin{pmatrix}
 1 & S & e_1 & e_2 & e_3 & e_4 & e_5 & e_6 & z_1 & z_2 & b_1 & b_2 & \alpha \\
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 & & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\
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 \end{pmatrix}$$

A priori 66 independent coefficients  $\rightarrow 2^{66}$  distinct vacua

PLB2021, Percival *et al*  $\rightarrow$  Satisfiability Modulo Theories  $\rightarrow t \times 10^{-3}$

Pati–Salam class: with Assel, Christodoulides, Kounnas, Rizos

RESULTS: of random search of over  $10^{11}$  vacua



Number of 3-generation models versus total number of exotic multiplets

## NON-SUSY String Phenomenology:

Starting with:  $Z_{10d}^+ = (V_8 - S_8) (\overline{O}_{16} + \overline{S}_{16}) (\overline{O}_{16} + \overline{S}_{16})$ ,  
using the level-one  $SO(2n)$  characters

$$O_{2n} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\theta_3^n}{\eta^n} + \frac{\theta_4^n}{\eta^n} \right), \quad V_{2n} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\theta_3^n}{\eta^n} - \frac{\theta_4^n}{\eta^n} \right),$$
$$S_{2n} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\theta_2^n}{\eta^n} + i^{-n} \frac{\theta_1^n}{\eta^n} \right), \quad C_{2n} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\theta_2^n}{\eta^n} - i^{-n} \frac{\theta_1^n}{\eta^n} \right).$$

where

$$\theta_3 \equiv Z_f \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \theta_4 \equiv Z_f \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \theta_2 \equiv Z_f \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \theta_1 \equiv Z_f \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Apply  $g = (-1)^{F+F_{z_1}+F_{z_2}}$

$$Z_{10d}^- = \left[ V_8 (\overline{O}_{16} \overline{O}_{16} + \overline{S}_{16} \overline{S}_{16}) - S_8 (\overline{O}_{16} \overline{S}_{16} + \overline{S}_{16} \overline{O}_{16}) \right. \\ \left. + \underline{O_8 (\overline{C}_{16} \overline{V}_{16} + \overline{V}_{16} \overline{C}_{16})} - C_8 (\overline{C}_{16} \overline{C}_{16} + \overline{V}_{16} \overline{V}_{16}) \right].$$

In fermionic language:  $\{ \mathbf{1}, z_1, z_2 \}$

where  $z_1 = \{ \bar{\psi}^{1, \dots, 5}, \bar{\eta}^{1, 2, 3} \}$  ;  $z_2 = \{ \bar{\phi}^{1, \dots, 8} \} \Rightarrow S = \mathbf{1} + z_1 + z_2$

$c \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} = +1 \Rightarrow E_8 \times E_8$  ;  $c \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} = -1 \Rightarrow SO(16) \times SO(16)$

Tachyon free non-SUSY string phenomenology

Alternatively: Apply  $g = (-1)^{F+Fz_1}$

$$Z_{10d}^- = (V_8 \bar{O}_{16} - S_8 \bar{S}_{16} + \underline{O_8 \bar{V}_{16}} - C_8 \bar{C}_{16}) (\bar{O}_{16} + \bar{S}_{16}),$$

$O_8 \bar{V}_{16} \bar{O}_{16} \Rightarrow$  tachyonic 10D vacuum

In fermionic language:  $\{ \mathbf{1}, z_2 \} \Rightarrow$  No  $S$

In both cases  $\longrightarrow$  tachyon free 4D GSO configurations

Tachyon free models:  $S \longleftrightarrow \tilde{S}$ -map  $\longleftarrow$  “modular map”

Modified NAHE  $\longleftrightarrow$   $\overline{\text{NAHE}}$

	$\psi^\mu$	$\chi^{12}$	$\chi^{34}$	$\chi^{56}$	$y^{3,\dots,6}$	$\bar{y}^{3,\dots,6}$	$y^{1,2}, \omega^{5,6}$	$\bar{y}^{1,2}, \bar{\omega}^{5,6}$	$\omega^{1,\dots,4}$	$\bar{\omega}^{1,\dots,4}$	$\bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}$	$\bar{\eta}^1$	$\bar{\eta}^2$	$\bar{\eta}^3$	$\bar{\phi}^{1,\dots,8}$
<b>1</b>	1	1	1	1	1,...,1	1,...,1	1,...,1	1,...,1	1,...,1	1,...,1	1,...,1	1	1	1	1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1
$\tilde{S}$	1	1	1	1	0,...,0	0,...,0	0,...,0	0,...,0	0,...,0	0,...,0	0,...,0	0	0	0	1,1,1,1,0,0,0,0
$b_1$	1	1	0	0	1,...,1	1,...,1	0,...,0	0,...,0	0,...,0	0,...,0	1,...,1	1	0	0	0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
$b_2$	1	0	1	0	0,...,0	0,...,0	1,...,1	1,...,1	0,...,0	0,...,0	1,...,1	0	1	0	0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
$b_3$	1	0	0	1	0,...,0	0,...,0	0,...,0	0,...,0	1,...,1	1,...,1	1,...,1	0	0	1	0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0

Beyond the  $\overline{\text{NAHE}}$ -set

	$\psi^\mu$	$\chi^{12}$	$\chi^{34}$	$\chi^{56}$	$y^3 y^6$	$y^4 \bar{y}^4$	$y^5 \bar{y}^5$	$\bar{y}^3 \bar{y}^6$	$y^1 \omega^5$	$y^2 \bar{y}^2$	$\omega^6 \bar{\omega}^6$	$\bar{y}^1 \bar{\omega}^5$	$\omega^2 \omega^4$	$\omega^1 \bar{\omega}^1$	$\omega^3 \bar{\omega}^3$	$\bar{\omega}^2 \bar{\omega}^4$	$\bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}$	$\bar{\eta}^1$	$\bar{\eta}^2$	$\bar{\eta}^3$	$\bar{\phi}^1$
$\alpha$	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1 1 1 0 0	1	0	0	0 0 0 0
$\beta$	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1 1 1 0 0	0	1	0	1 1 0 0
$\gamma$	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0 0 $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$

Up to the  $S \longleftrightarrow \tilde{S}$ -map

Same model as published with

with Cleaver, Manno and Timirgaziu in PRD78 (2008) 046009

Stable non-SUSY heterotic-string vacuum?



Moduli → WS Thirring interactions  $(R - \frac{1}{R}) J_L^i(z) \bar{J}_R^j(\bar{z}) = (R - \frac{1}{R}) y^i \omega^i \bar{y}^j \bar{\omega}^j$

To identify the untwisted moduli in the free fermionic models

→ find the operators of the form

$$J_L^I(z) \bar{J}_R^J(\bar{z}) \equiv y^I \omega^I \bar{y}^J \bar{\omega}^J$$

that are allowed by the orbifold (fermionic) symmetry group

$$Z_2 \times Z_2 \quad \{ 1, S, z_1, z_2 \} + \{ b_1, b_2 \}$$

$$\rightarrow SO(4)^3 \times E_6 \times U(1)^2 \times E_8$$

The Thirring interactions that remain invariant are

$$\begin{aligned} & J_L^{1,2} \bar{J}_R^{1,2} \quad ; \quad J_L^{3,4} \bar{J}_R^{3,4} \quad ; \quad J_L^{5,6} \bar{J}_R^{5,6} \\ & y^{1,2} \omega^{1,2} \bar{y}^{1,2} \bar{\omega}^{1,2} \quad ; \quad y^{3,4} \omega^{3,4} \bar{y}^{3,4} \bar{\omega}^{3,4} \quad ; \quad y^{5,6} \omega^{5,6} \bar{y}^{5,6} \bar{\omega}^{5,6} \end{aligned}$$

These moduli are always present in symmetric  $Z_2 \times Z_2$  orbifolds

## in realistic models

$$\{ 1, S, z_1, z_2 \} \oplus \{ b_1, b_2 \} \oplus \{ \alpha, \beta, \gamma \}$$

$$N = 4$$

$$N = 1$$

$$E_8 \times E_8$$

$$Z_2 \times Z_2$$

new feature Asymmetric orbifold  $y^i \omega^i \bar{y}^i \bar{\omega}^i \rightarrow -y^i \omega^i \bar{y}^i \bar{\omega}^i$

the key focus: boundary conditions of the internal fermions

$$\{ y, \omega \mid \bar{y}, \bar{\omega} \}$$

WS fermions that have same B.C. in all basis vectors are paired

pairing of LR fermions  $\rightarrow$  Ising model  $\rightarrow$  symmetric real fermions

pairing of LL & RR fermions  $\rightarrow$  complex fermions  $\rightarrow$  asymmetric

# STRING DERIVED STANDARD-LIKE MODEL (PLB278)

	$\psi^\mu$	$\chi^{12}$	$\chi^{34}$	$\chi^{56}$	$y^{3,\dots,6}$	$\bar{y}^{3,\dots,6}$	$y^{1,2}, \omega^{5,6}$	$\bar{y}^{1,2}, \bar{\omega}^{5,6}$	$\omega^{1,\dots,4}$	$\bar{\omega}^{1,\dots,4}$	$\bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}$	$\bar{\eta}^1$	$\bar{\eta}^2$	$\bar{\eta}^3$	$\bar{\phi}^{1,\dots,8}$
<b>1</b>	1	1	1	1	1, ..., 1	1, ..., 1	1, ..., 1	1, ..., 1	1, ..., 1	1, ..., 1	1, ..., 1	1	1	1	1, ..., 1
<i>S</i>	1	1	1	1	0, ..., 0	0, ..., 0	0, ..., 0	0, ..., 0	0, ..., 0	0, ..., 0	0, ..., 0	0	0	0	0, ..., 0
<i>b</i> <sub>1</sub>	1	1	0	0	1, ..., 1	1, ..., 1	0, ..., 0	0, ..., 0	0, ..., 0	0, ..., 0	1, ..., 1	1	0	0	0, ..., 0
<i>b</i> <sub>2</sub>	1	0	1	0	0, ..., 0	0, ..., 0	1, ..., 1	1, ..., 1	0, ..., 0	0, ..., 0	1, ..., 1	0	1	0	0, ..., 0
<i>b</i> <sub>3</sub>	1	0	0	1	0, ..., 0	0, ..., 0	0, ..., 0	0, ..., 0	1, ..., 1	1, ..., 1	1, ..., 1	0	0	1	0, ..., 0

	$\psi^\mu$	$\chi^{12}$	$\chi^{34}$	$\chi^{56}$	$y^3 y^6$	$y^4 \bar{y}^4$	$y^5 \bar{y}^5$	$\bar{y}^3 \bar{y}^6$	$y^1 \omega^5$	$y^2 \bar{y}^2$	$\omega^6 \bar{\omega}^6$	$\bar{y}^1 \bar{\omega}^5$	$\omega^2 \omega^4$	$\omega^1 \bar{\omega}^1$	$\omega^3 \bar{\omega}^3$	$\bar{\omega}^2 \bar{\omega}^4$	$\bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}$					$\bar{\eta}^1$	$\bar{\eta}^2$	$\bar{\eta}^3$	$\bar{\phi}$		
$\alpha$	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1 1 1 0 0	0	0	0	1	1	1				
$\beta$	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1 1 1 0 0	0	0	0	1	1	1				
$\gamma$	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	1				

Asymmetric  $BC \Rightarrow$  all untwisted moduli are projected out!

all  $y_i \omega_i \bar{y}_i \bar{\omega}_i$  are disallowed

can be translated to asymmetric bosonic identifications

$$X_L + X_R \rightarrow X_L - X_R$$

moduli fixed at enhanced symmetry point

# Classification of tachyon free models

## Basis vectors:

$$1 = \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{1,\dots,6}, y^{1,\dots,6}, \omega^{1,\dots,6} \mid \bar{y}^{1,\dots,6}, \bar{\omega}^{1,\dots,6}, \bar{\eta}^{1,2,3}, \bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}, \bar{\phi}^{1,\dots,8}\}$$

$$S = \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{1,\dots,6}\} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{S} = \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{1,\dots,6} \mid \bar{\phi}^{3,\dots,6}\},$$

$$z_1 = \{\bar{\phi}^{1,\dots,4}\},$$

$$z_2 = \{\bar{\phi}^{5,\dots,8}\},$$

$$e_i = \{y^i, \omega^i \mid \bar{y}^i, \bar{\omega}^i\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, 6,$$

$$b_1 = \{\psi^{12}, \chi^{12}, y^{34}, y^{56} \mid \bar{y}^{34}, \bar{y}^{56}, \bar{\eta}^1, \bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}\}, \quad N = 4 \rightarrow N = 2$$

$$b_2 = \{\psi^{12}, \chi^{34}, y^{12}, y^{56} \mid \bar{y}^{12}, \bar{y}^{56}, \bar{\eta}^2, \bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}\}, \quad N = 2 \rightarrow N = 1$$

$$\alpha = \{\bar{\psi}^{4,5}, \bar{\phi}^{1,2}\}$$

with Viktor Matyas and Ben Percival, NPB 961 (2020) 115231;

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## Partition functions and the cosmological constant

Full Partition Function for Free Fermionic models:

$$Z_{T_oT} = \int_{\mathcal{F}} \frac{d^2\tau}{\tau_2^2} Z_B Z_F \equiv \Lambda$$

Integral over the inequivalent tori

• Fermionic contribution:

$$Z_F = \sum_{Sp.Str.} c \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} \prod_f Z \begin{bmatrix} \alpha(f) \\ \beta(f) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Z \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \sqrt{\frac{\theta_1}{\eta}}, \quad Z \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \sqrt{\frac{\theta_2}{\eta}}, \quad Z \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \sqrt{\frac{\theta_3}{\eta}}, \quad Z \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \sqrt{\frac{\theta_4}{\eta}},$$

• Bosonic :  $Z_B = \frac{1}{\tau_2 \eta^2 \bar{\eta}^2}$  from spacetime Bosons.

Evaluated using  $q \equiv e^{2\pi i\tau}$  expansion

$$Z = \sum_{n,m} a_{mn} \int_{\mathcal{F}} \frac{d^2\tau}{\tau_2^3} q^m \bar{q}^n \quad \begin{cases} d\tau_1 & \longrightarrow \text{analytic} \\ d\tau_2 & \longrightarrow \text{numeric} \end{cases}$$

$q$  – expansion of  $Z$

$$I_{mn} = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{if } m+n < 0 \wedge m-n \notin \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\} \\ \text{Finite} & \text{Otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- On-Shell Tachyons cause divergence
- Off-Shell Tachyons allowed (necessary)

Modular invariance  $\longrightarrow m - n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

## Allowed states

$$a_{mn} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & a_{-\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}} & 0 & 0 & 0 & a_{-\frac{11}{22}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a_{-\frac{1}{4}-\frac{1}{4}} & 0 & 0 & 0 & a_{-\frac{13}{44}} & 0 & 0 \\ a_{0-1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & a_{00} & 0 & 0 & 0 & a_{01} & 0 \\ 0 & a_{\frac{1}{4}-\frac{3}{4}} & 0 & 0 & 0 & a_{\frac{11}{44}} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & a_{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}} & 0 & 0 & 0 & a_{\frac{11}{22}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a_{\frac{3}{4}-\frac{1}{4}} & 0 & 0 & 0 & a_{\frac{33}{44}} & 0 & 0 \\ a_{1-1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & a_{10} & 0 & 0 & 0 & a_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

Coefficients  $a_{mn} = N_b - N_f$  at specific mass level.

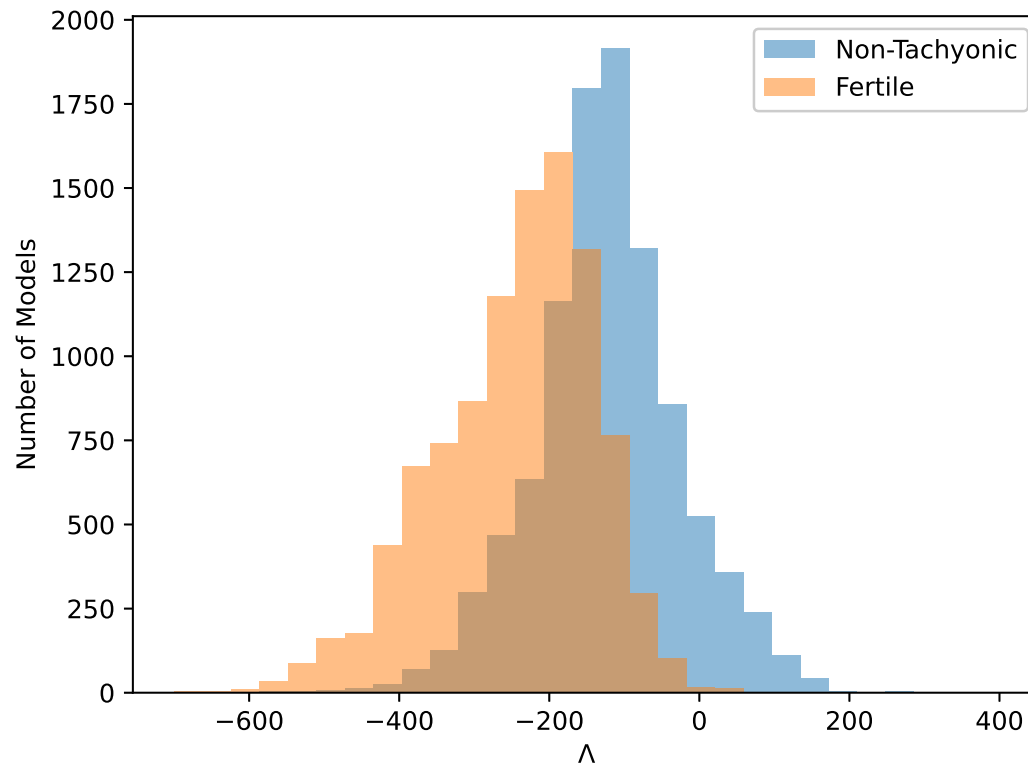
For SUSY Theories  $a_{mn} = 0 \forall m, n$

## Some interesting results

viable  $\tilde{S}$ -models: only  $SM \times U(1)_{Z'}$ .

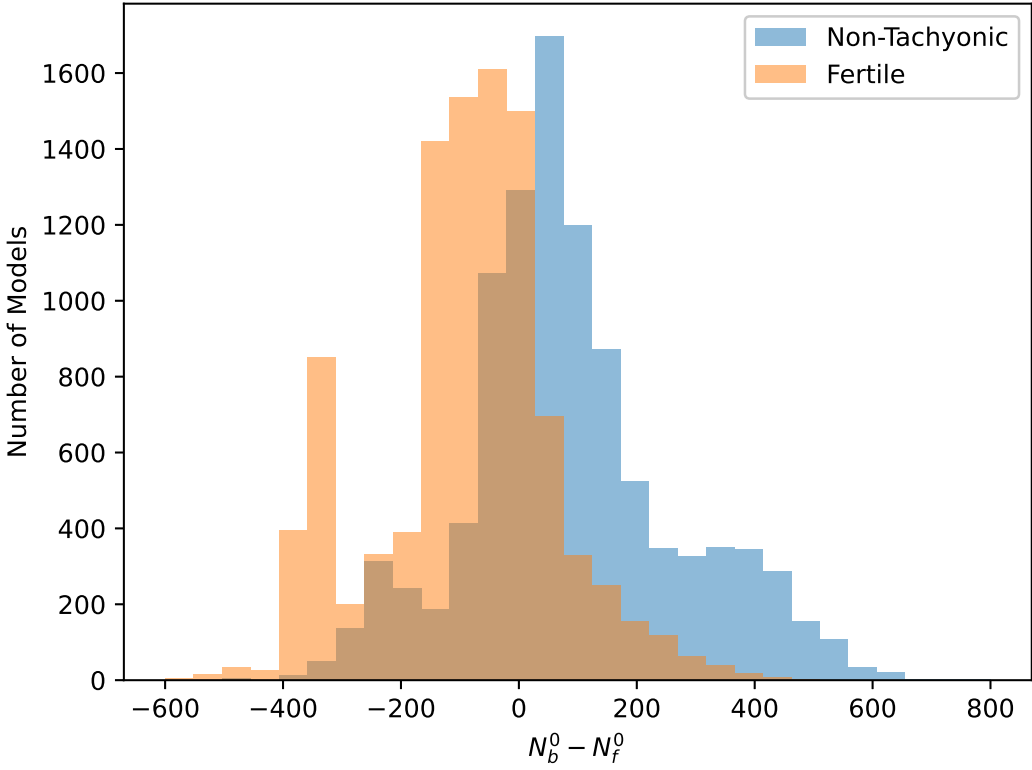
No heavy Higgs to break FSU5 or PS symmetry;  $SM \times U(1)_{Z'} \rightarrow Z'$  exotics

## Distribution of $\Lambda$





# Distribution of $a_{00}$



## Toward de Sitter vacua with stable moduli

(Work in progress with Alonzo Diaz, Viktor Matyas and Benjamin Percival)

Classification of asymmetric  $N = 0$  vacua (w Matyas & Percival PRD106)

Fix two tori at  $R = 1$  using asymmetric boundary condition

Vary the moduli of the remaining unfixed torus (following Florakis & Rizos)

Find minima with  $\Lambda_{min} > 0$

Scan for models with realistic features and stable  $\Lambda_{min} > 0$

## Conclusions

- DATA  $\longrightarrow$  UNIFICATION  $\longleftrightarrow$  HiggsStructure?
- STRINGS THEORY  $\longrightarrow$  GAUGE & GRAVITY UNIFICATION
- STRINGS PHENOMENOLOGY  $\longrightarrow$  AT ITS INFANCY  
STILL LEARNING HOW TO WALK
- SUSY/Non-SUSY string phenomenology .....
- Vacua with/out  $\mathcal{N}$ -SUSY generator
- Role of non-geometric backgrounds  $\longleftrightarrow$  Moduli Fixing
- String Phenomenology  $\longrightarrow$  Physics of the third millennium  
*e.g.* Aristarchus to Galileo