

Toric resolution of Heterotic orbifolds

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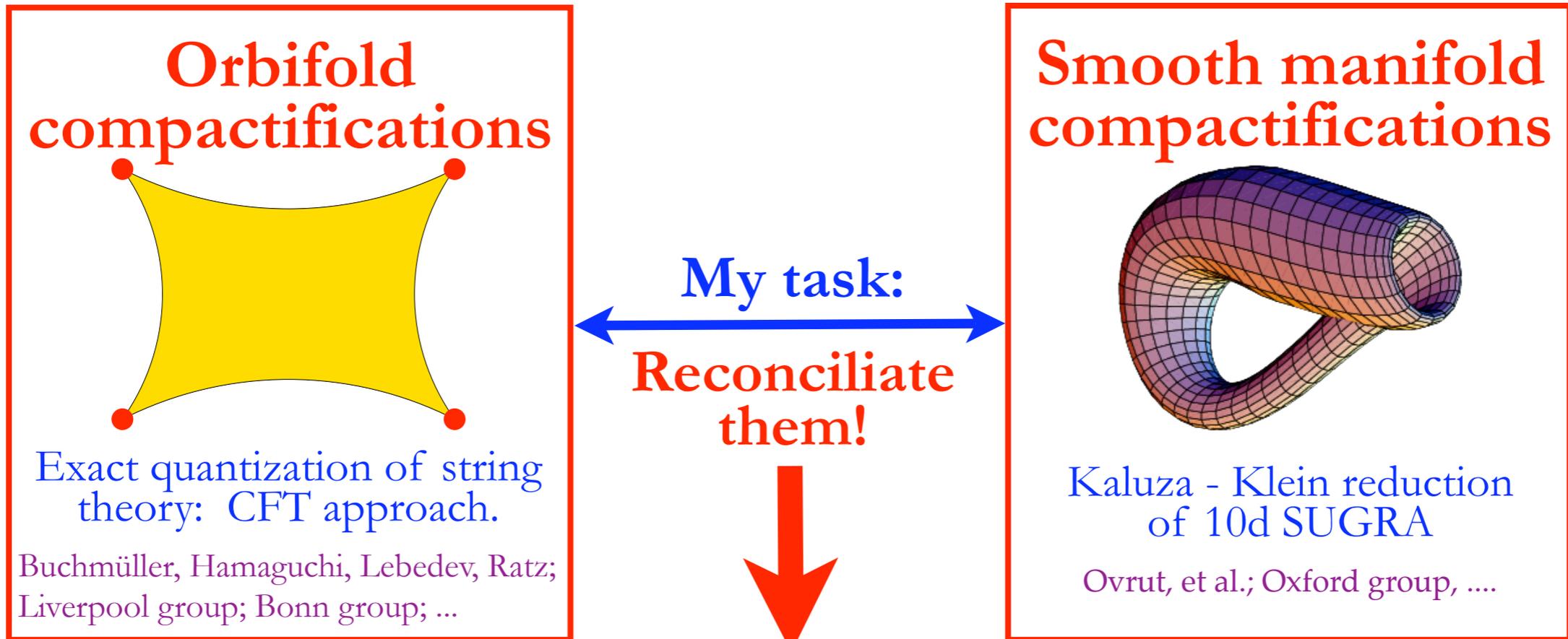
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Introduction I: Motivations

Two main different paths to heterotic string phenomenology

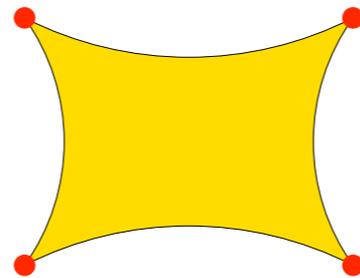


Reproduce the orbifold models as compactifications of 10d SUGRA/SYM in the presence of gauge fluxes

Introduction II: the Spirit

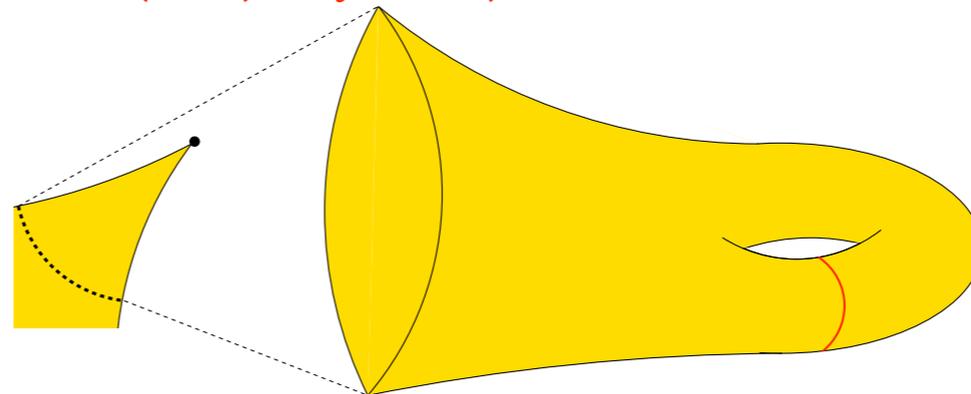
I - Resolve the orbifold geometry

Ia - Given the orbifold



Ib - Cut apart each singularity and resolve it:

characterize the local geometric structure “hidden” in the singularity (localized $(1,1)$ -cycles)



Ic - Glue together the resolved singularities:

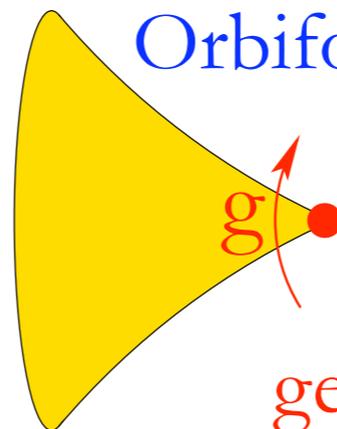
characterize the topology of the whole CY space (non-localized cycles)

**Get a smooth compact CY space
(having the original orbifold as singular limit)**

II - Compactify 10d SUGRA/SYM on the smooth CY

- A crucial detail:

Orbifold models:

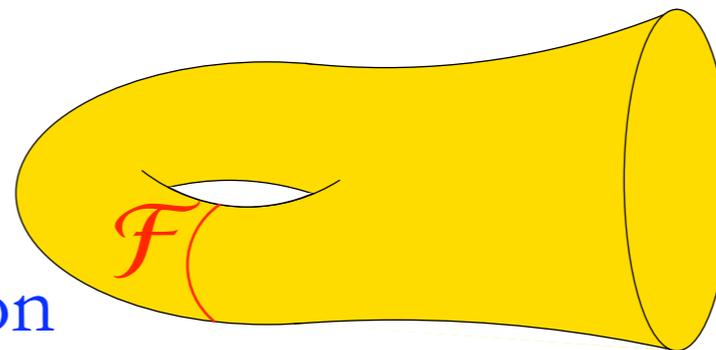


Orbifold action g embedded in the gauge degrees of freedom.

The freedom in doing this generates a vast set of models!

SUGRA models:

U(1) gauge flux wrapped on the new localized cycles, to be embedded in $SO(32)$ or $E_8 \times E_8$. The freedom in the embedding generates a vast set of models



Reproduce each string orbifold model as a compactification of 10d SUGRA + SYM on a smooth CY embedding the “right” gauge flux

Introduction III - Outline

1) Getting the smooth CY space

- Basic facts in complex/toric geometry.
- Resolution of orbifold singularities using toric geometry
- Gluing of the resolved singularities
- A specific example: resolution of T^4/Z_3

2) 10d SUGRA on the smooth CY space - only local study

- Consistency conditions (flux quantization, SYM e.o.m, ...)
- A specific example: C^3/Z_4 models

3) Results and working plan

I - Resolution of Toroidal orbifolds using toric geometry

Lust, Reffert, Scheidegger, Stieberger '07

Basic facts in complex/toric geometry

Divisors

- Given a complex n -dim space (parameters z^i) a divisor X is locally an analytic hypersurface (e.g. $z^1 = 0$).
- To each divisor X we can associate a complex line bundle.

Linear equivalence

- Given two divisors X and Y we say that they are equivalent $X \sim Y$ if the associated line bundles differ by a trivial one.
- The set of divisors corresponds, modulo linear equivalence, to the $(1,1)$ -forms on the space.

Intersection of divisors

- An intersection of divisors defines curves in the space.
- Intersecting n divisors we get points, the intersecting number $X_1 X_2 \dots X_n = p$ means that the hypersurface X_1 intersects the curve $X_2 \dots X_n$ in p points (or that X_2 intersects ...).
- Equivalently, we can read $X_1 X_2 \dots X_n = p$ as the integral of the $(1,1)$ -form X_1 on $X_2 \dots X_n$ (or the integral of X_2 on ...).

Resolution of local singularities

- Each singularity (we treat) has form $\mathbf{C}^n/\mathbf{Z}_m$, with parameters z^i .
- Before resolution, the space has n divisors D_i , the surfaces $z^i = 0$.
- The singularity is resolved adding new exceptional divisors, E 's to the set of D 's.
- These exceptional divisors are not unrelated to the old ones: there are n linear relations $D_i \sim a_{ij} E_j$.
- In the resolution some basic intersection numbers are fixed by the procedure, the others can be re-obtained using the linear equivalence.

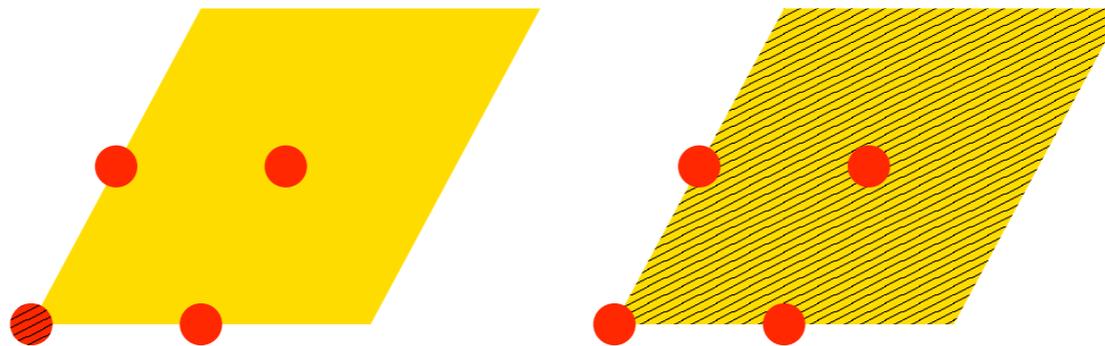
Gluing together the singularities into T^{2n}/Z_m

- Each resolved singularity is equipped with
 - a set of divisors $\{D_i, E_j\}$;
 - a set of linear equivalences $D_i \sim a_{ij} E_j$;
 - the local intersection numbers.
- Gluing:
 - “put together” the divisors in a single set
 - “put together” the linear equivalences in a single set
 - compute the intersections among the various divisors.

Caveats

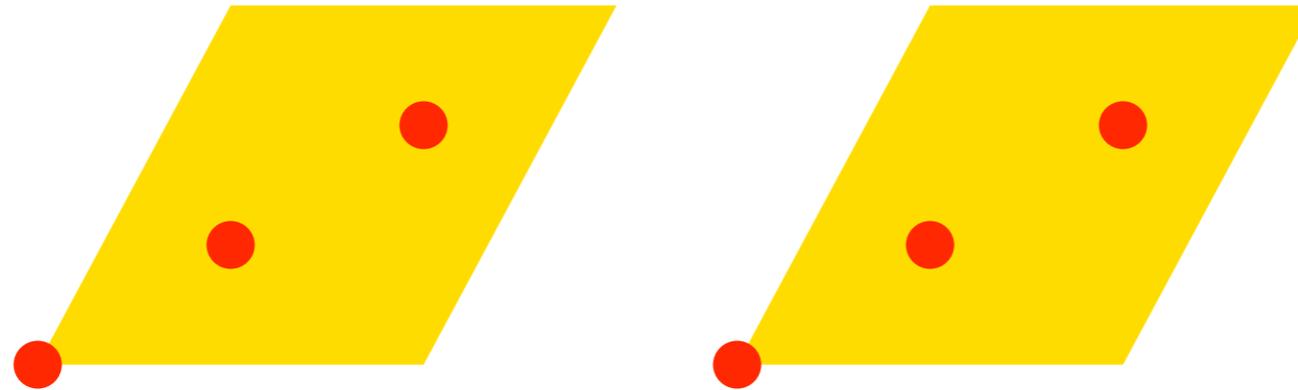
- 1) There are extra (1,1)-forms/divisors inherited from T^{2n} : R_i .
- 2) Some of the divisors (all R 's and D 's, some of the E 's) extend in planes in the orbifold: they are “shared” by different singularities.

T^4/Z_2 example: the divisors D_1 corresponding to the surface $z_1=0$ extends along z_2 and is shared among the 4 singularities $(0, x)$.



Example I: K3 as a T^4/Z_3 orbifold

- $T^4 = T^2 \times T^2$, complex coordinates z_1, z_2 .
- Z_3 has 3×3 equivalent fixed points (singularities).



Local information:

- Each singularity has form C^2/Z_3 , with 2 divisors (pre-resolution):

D_1 corresponding to $z^1=0$ (fills the second C -plane)

D_2 corresponding to $z^2=0$ (fills the first C -plane)

- Resolution: add two exceptional divisors E_1 and E_2 .

Linear equivalences: $0 \sim 3 D_1 + E_1 + 2 E_2$

$0 \sim 3 D_2 + E_2 + 2 E_1$

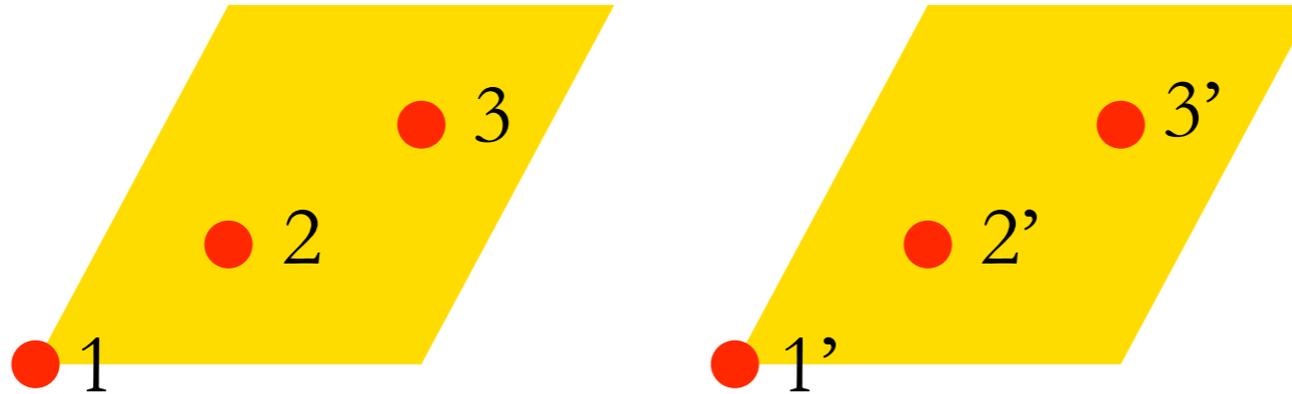
Intersections: $D_1 E_2 = E_2 E_1 = E_1 D_2 = 1$

$D_1 E_1 = D_2 E_2 = 0 \quad E_1 E_1 = E_2 E_2 = -2$

Gluing:

1) “Assign fixed point indices”

- The E_i 's are “localized” in the singularities, named $11'$, $12'$, $32'$, ...



for each E_i we assign two extra indices: $E_i^{jk'}$.

- D_1 extends in the second torus and is localized in the first:
we assign an extra index: D_1^i , similarly for D_2 : $D_2^{j'}$.
- The D 's are shared among various fixed points!

2) Include the inherited divisors:

- The R 's and D 's are linked, on the singular space: $R_i \sim 3D_i$.
- This link is the same for each of the D 's : $R_1 \sim 3D_1^i$, $R_2 \sim 3D_2^{j'}$
- After resolution this linear equivalence is modified as

$$R_2 \sim 3D_2^{j'} + \sum_{i=1}^3 (E_2^{ij'} + 2E_1^{ij'}) , R_1 \sim 3D_1^i + \sum_{j'=1'}^{3'} (E_1^{ij'} + 2E_2^{ij'})$$

3) Compute the global set of intersections:

- Use of the local information

- Input on the intersection of the R 's

$$E_1^{ij'} E_2^{pq'} = \delta^{ip} \delta^{j'q'}, \quad E_1^{ij'} E_1^{pq'} = E_2^{ij'} E_2^{pq'} = -2\delta^{ip} \delta^{j'q'},$$

$$R_1 R_2 = 3, \quad R_1 R_1 = R_2 R_2 = 0, \quad R_i E_j^{pq'} = 0.$$

Outcome:

- **Number of (1,1)-forms:**

9 x 2 exceptional divisors

+ 2 x 3 “normal divisors”

– 2 x 3 equivalences

+ 2 inherited divisors

= 20

- **Characteristic classes (splitting principle)**

$$c(\mathcal{R}) = (1 + R_1)(1 + R_2) \prod_{i=1}^3 (1 + D_2^i) \prod_{j'=1'}^3 (1 + D_1^{j'}) \prod_{i=1}^3 \prod_{j=1'}^3 (1 + E_1^{ij'}) (1 + E_2^{ij'})$$

from linear equivalence and intersections:

$$c_1(\mathcal{R}) = 0, \quad c_2(\mathcal{R}) = 24.$$

**II - 10d SUGRA/SYM on the resolved CY:
U(1) gauge flux on the singularities**

Consistency conditions

1) Flux quantization: $\int_{\gamma} F \in \mathbf{Z}$

2) Equations of motion/SUSY:

- F must be a (1,1)-form, fulfilling the DUY condition

3) The Bianchi Identity for H must be fulfilled

$$\int_{C_2} (\mathcal{R} \wedge \mathcal{R} - F \wedge F) = 0$$

In the language of divisors:

- F can be written as $F = E_i V_i^I H^I$

- E_i the localized (1,1)-forms (flux invisible in blow-down)

- H^I elements in the Cartan algebra of $SO(32)$ or $E_8 \times E_8$

- Quantization: V_i^I must be integers (half-integers)

- E.o.m.: conditions on the Kaehler moduli

- Bianchi Identity: use the splitting principle and the intersections
model dependent conditions

Ex: $\mathbf{C}^3/\mathbf{Z}_4$

1) Informations on the (local) geometry:

Set of divisors: $\mathbf{D}_1, \mathbf{D}_2, \mathbf{D}_3, \mathbf{E}_1, \mathbf{E}_2$

Linear equivalences: $4 \mathbf{D}_1 + \mathbf{E}_1 + 2 \mathbf{E}_2 \sim 0,$

$$4 \mathbf{D}_2 + \mathbf{E}_1 + 2 \mathbf{E}_2 \sim 0, 2 \mathbf{D}_3 + \mathbf{E}_1 \sim 0.$$

Intersections: $\mathbf{E}_1^2 \mathbf{E}_2 = 0, \mathbf{E}_2^2 \mathbf{E}_1 = 0, \mathbf{E}_1^3 = 8, \mathbf{E}_2^3 = 2.$

Chern classes: $c(\mathcal{R}) = \prod_{i=1}^3 (1 + \mathbf{D}_i) \prod_{j=1}^2 (1 + \mathbf{E}_j)$

3) Flux: $F = \mathbf{E}_1 V^1 H^1 + \mathbf{E}_2 V^2 H^1$

4) Consistency conditions

- Quantization: the V 's must be integer (half-integer)

- Bianchi Identity on the compact 4-cycle \mathbf{E}_1 :

$$\int_{\mathbf{E}_1} (\mathcal{R} \wedge \mathcal{R} - F \wedge F) = \mathbf{E}_1 \left(\prod_{i=1}^3 (1 + \mathbf{D}_i) \prod_{j=1}^2 (1 + \mathbf{E}_j) \right)_2 - \mathbf{E}_1 F^2 = 0$$

using the intersection numbers: $V^1 V^1 + V^1 V^2 = 4$

- Bianchi Id. on the non-compact 4-cycle \mathbf{E}_2 : $V^1 V^2 = -2$

- Bianchi Id. on the sub-variety $\mathbf{C}^2/\mathbf{Z}_2$: $V^2 V^2 = 6$

Matching the orbifold models

orbifold shift $4v$	blowup vector V_2	blowup vector V_1	Nr.	orbifold shift $4v$	blowup vector V_2	blowup vector V_1	Nr.
$(0^{13}, 1^2, 2)$	$(0^{13}, 1^2, 2)$	$(0^{13}, 1^2, -2)$	1a	$(0^5, 1^{10}, 2)$	$(0^{10}, 1^6)$	$\frac{1}{2}(-3, 1^{10}, -1^5)$	9
	$(0^{13}, 1^2, 2)$	$(0^{12}, 2, -1^2, 0)$	1b	$(0^3, 1^{10}, 2^3)$	$(0^{10}, 1^6)$	$\frac{1}{2}(1^{12}, -1^3, -3)$	10
	$(0^{13}, 1^2, 2)$	$(0^{11}, 2, 1, 0^2, -1)$	1c				
$(0^{11}, 1^2, 2^3)$	$(0^{13}, 1^2, 2)$	$(0^{10}, 1^4, -1^2)$	2a	$(1^{14}, 2^2)$	$(0^{13}, -2, 1^2)$	$\frac{1}{2}(1^{15}, -3)$	11
	$(0^{13}, 1^2, 2)$	$(0^{11}, 1^2, -2, 0^2)$	2b	$(1^{13}, -1, 2^2)$	$(0^{13}, 1^2, 2)$	$\frac{1}{2}(1^{15}, -3)$	12a
$(0^9, 1^2, 2^5)$	$(0^{13}, 1^2, 2)$	$(0^8, 1^5, 0^2, -1)$	3a		$(0^{13}, 1^2, 2)$	$-\frac{1}{2}(-3, 1^{15})$	12b
		$(0^{13}, 1^2, 2)$	$(0^9, 1^4, -1^2, 0)$	3b	$\frac{1}{2}(1^3, 3^{12}, -3)$	$\frac{1}{2}(-3, 1^{15})$	$-(0^{13}, 1^2, 2)$
$(0^7, 1^2, 2^7)$	—	—	4	$\frac{1}{2}(1^{15}, -3)$		$(0^{13}, 1^2, 2)$	13b
				$\frac{1}{2}(1^{15}, -3)$		$\frac{1}{2}(1^3, -1^{11}, 3, 1)$	13c
$(0^{10}, 1^6)$	$(0^{10}, 1^6)$	$(0^{10}, 1^2, -1^4)$	5a	$\frac{1}{2}(1^7, 3^8, -3)$	$\frac{1}{2}(1^{15}, -3)$	$(-1^5, 1, 0^{10})$	14a
	$(0^{10}, 1^6)$	$(0^{13}, 1, -1, -2)$	5b		$\frac{1}{2}(1^{15}, -3)$	$\frac{1}{2}(1^6, -1^8, -3, 1)$	14b
$(0^{10}, 1^5, 3)$	$(0^{10}, 1^6)$	$(0^9, 2, -1^2, 0^4)$	6	$\frac{1}{2}(1^{11}, 3^4, -3)$	$\frac{1}{2}(1^{15}, -3)$	$(0^{10}, 1^3, -1^3)$	15
$(0^8, 1^6, 2^2)$	$(0^{10}, 1^6)$	$(0^8, 1^3, -1^3, 0^2)$	7a	$\frac{1}{2}(1^{15}, -3)$	$\frac{1}{2}(1^{15}, -3)$	$(0^{13}, -2, 1^2)$	16a
	$(0^{10}, 1^6)$	$(0^8, 1^2, -2, 0^5)$	7b		$\frac{1}{2}(1^{15}, -3)$	$\frac{1}{2}(-1^{14}, 3, -1)$	16b
$(0^6, 1^6, 2^4)$	$(0^{10}, 1^6)$	$(0^6, 1^4, -1^2, 0^4)$	8				

III - Results & Working plan

- 1) We show how to resolve all the $\mathbf{C}^n/\mathbf{Z}_m$ and $\mathbf{C}^n/\mathbf{Z}_m \times \mathbf{Z}_p$ singularities, how to wrap $U(1)$ flux on them and match heterotic orbifold models.
 - Recover and extend the results of Groot Nibbelink, MT, Walter ($\mathbf{C}^n/\mathbf{Z}_n$ singularities)
- 2) The new approach (toric geometry) allows to glue the singularities and recover compact $\mathbf{T}^n/\mathbf{Z}_m$ and $\mathbf{T}^n/\mathbf{Z}_m \times \mathbf{Z}_p$ orbifolds.
- 3) Study of compact heterotic models
 - done the $\mathbf{T}^6/\mathbf{Z}_3$ model.
 - Groot Nibbelink, Klevers, Ploger, MT, Vaudrevange
 - work in progress: the K3 models
 - reobtain the results of Honecker, MT with explicit control on the line bundles
 - tool for a study of Heterotic/IIA duality
 - next step: the phenomenologically appealing $\mathbf{T}^6/\mathbf{Z}_{6-II}$ model