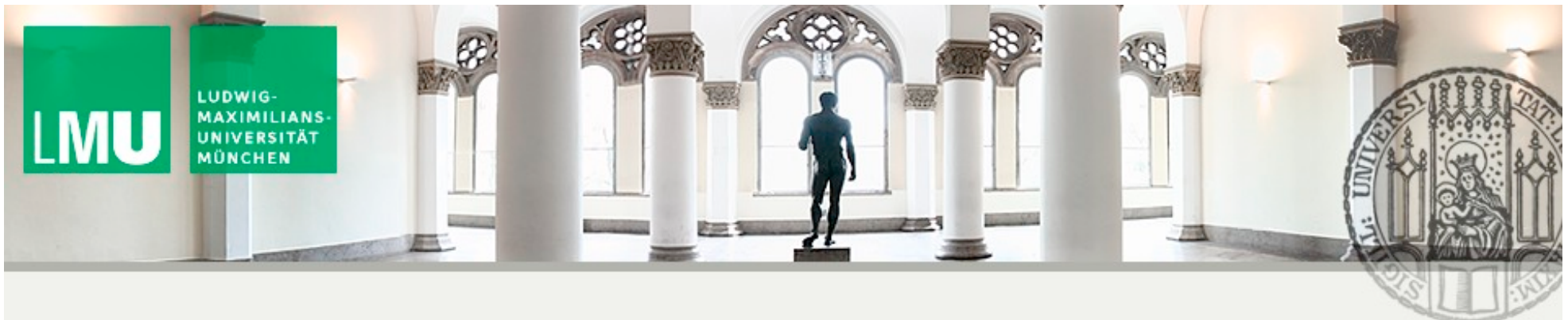


String Amplitudes for the LHC in D-brane Compactifications

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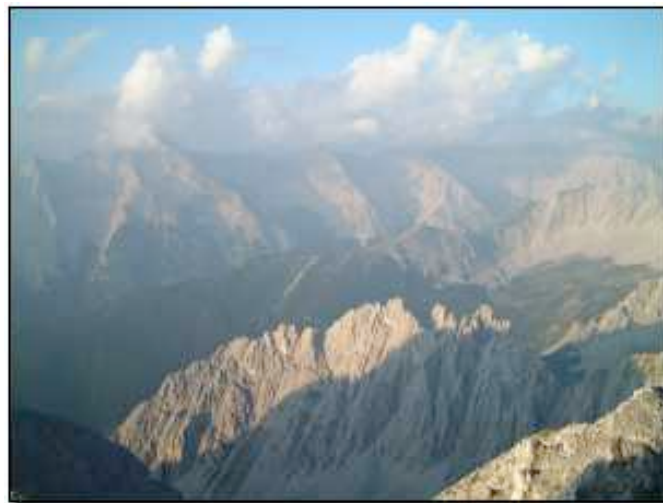


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Anthropic principle?

Our universe is not special!

(Susskind, 2003; see also Schellekens, arXiv:0807.3249)

Observed parameters take their observed values for the simple reason that they allow for intelligent life.

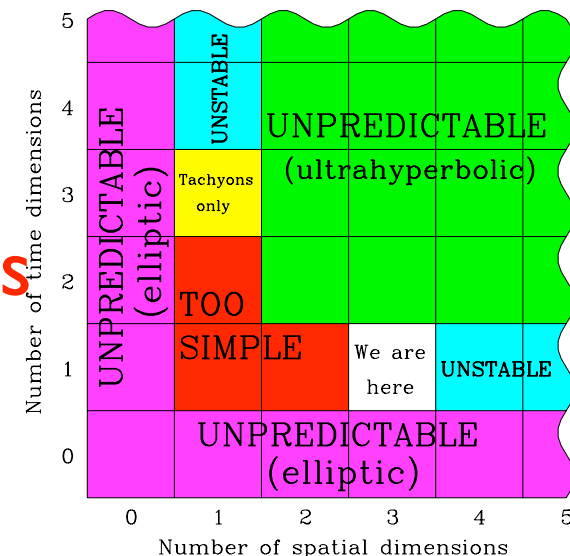
- Fine structure and strong coupling constants:
nucleo-synthesis

Gravity:

- **Fine tuning of cosmological constant:** $\Lambda/M_{\text{Planck}}^4 \simeq 10^{-120}$
(Weinberg, 1987)

⇒ Need at least 10^{120} vacua!

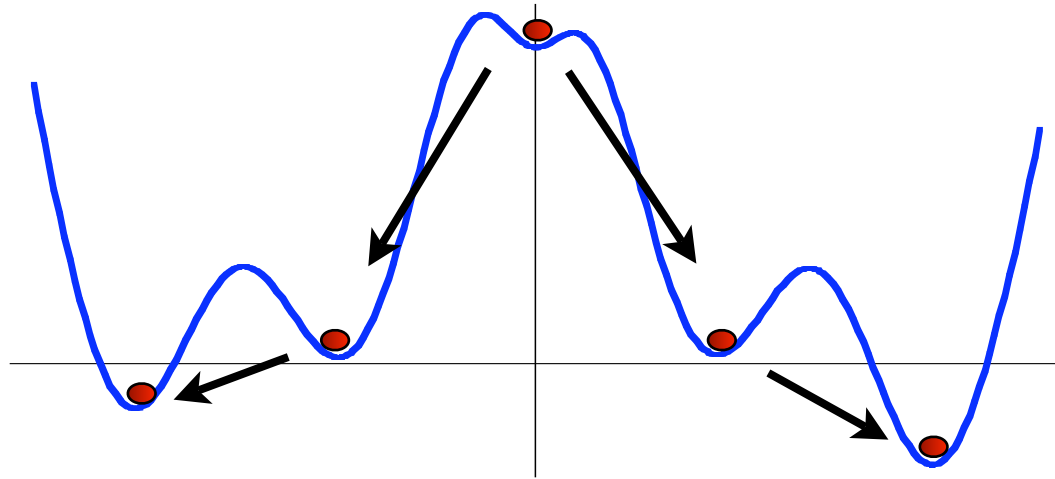
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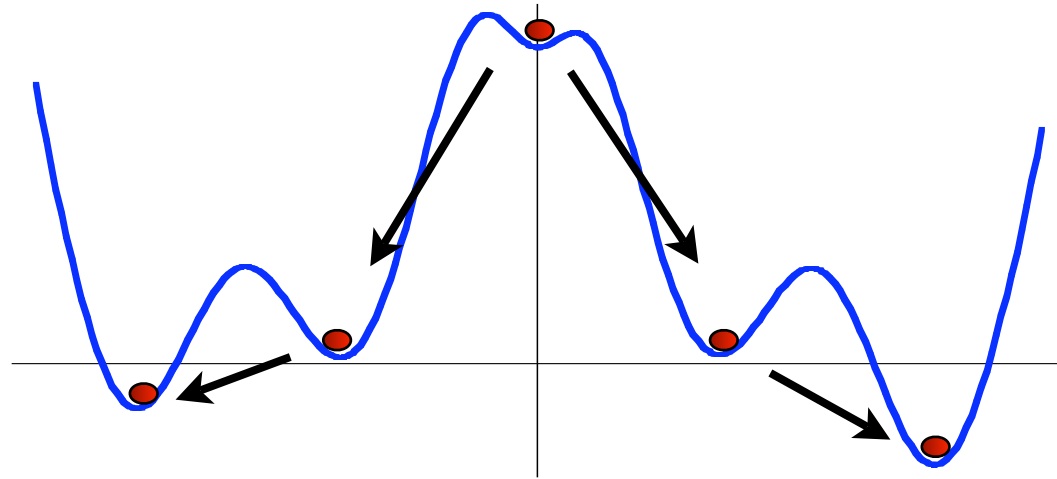
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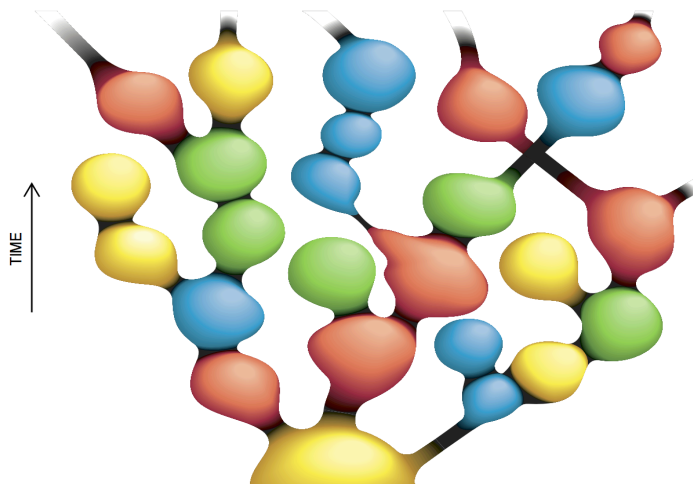
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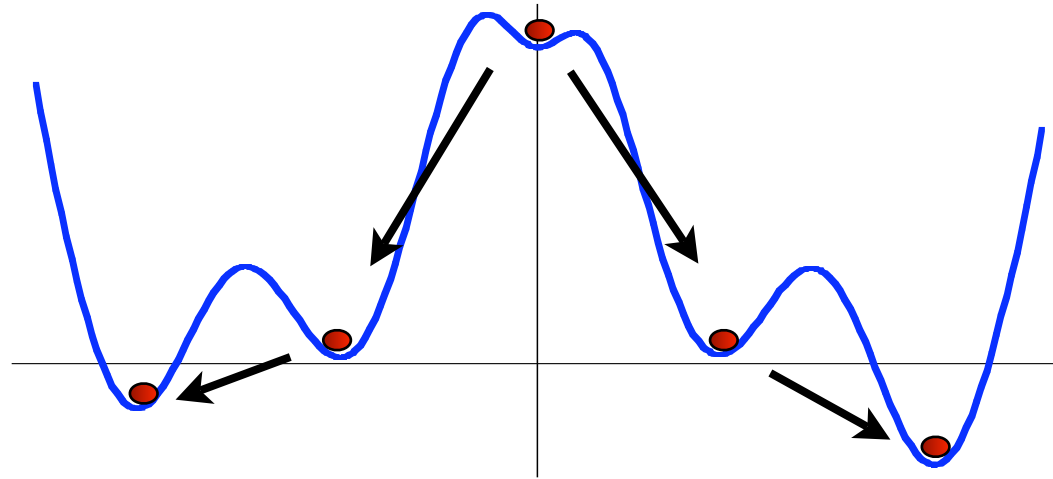
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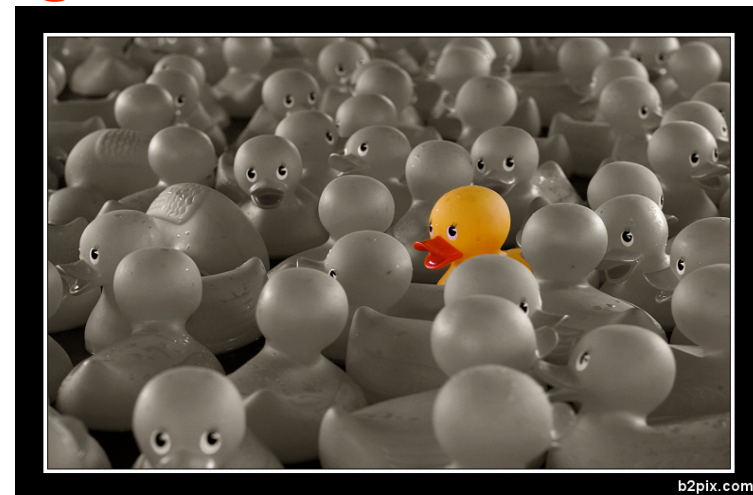
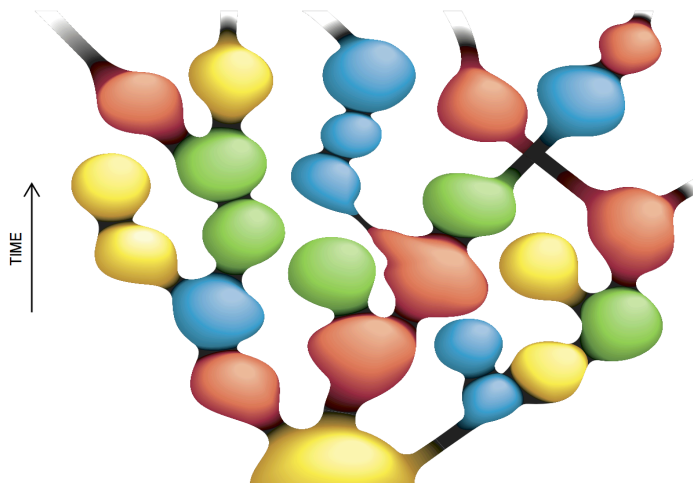
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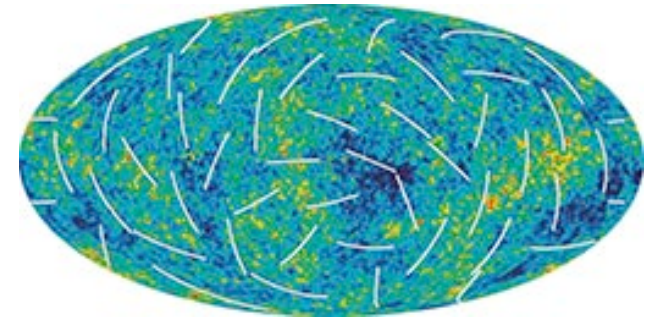
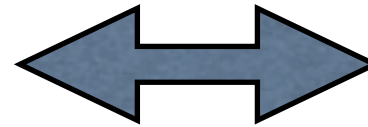
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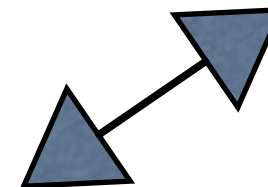
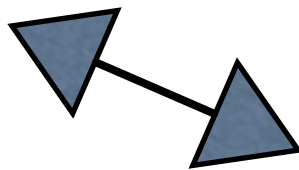
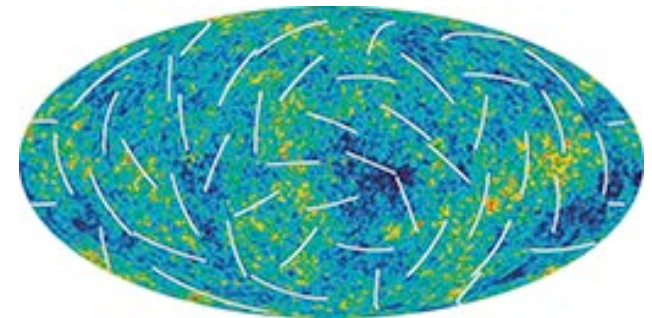
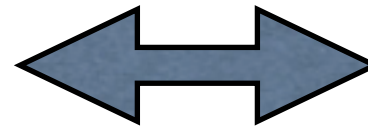
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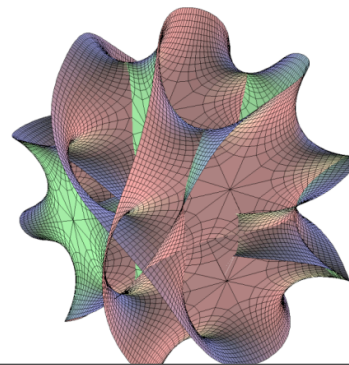
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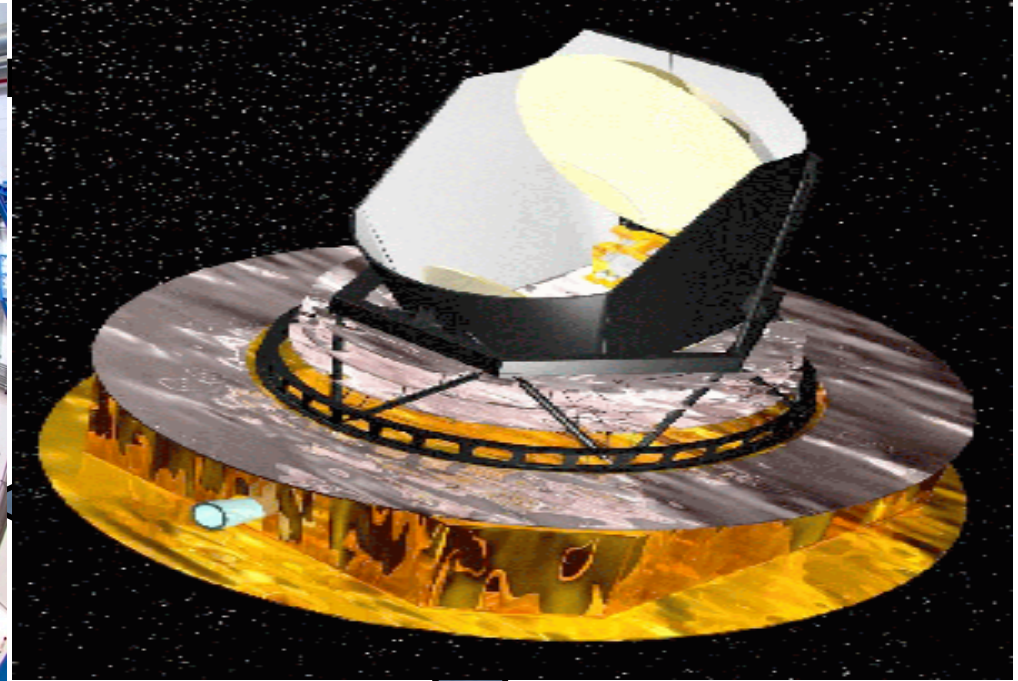
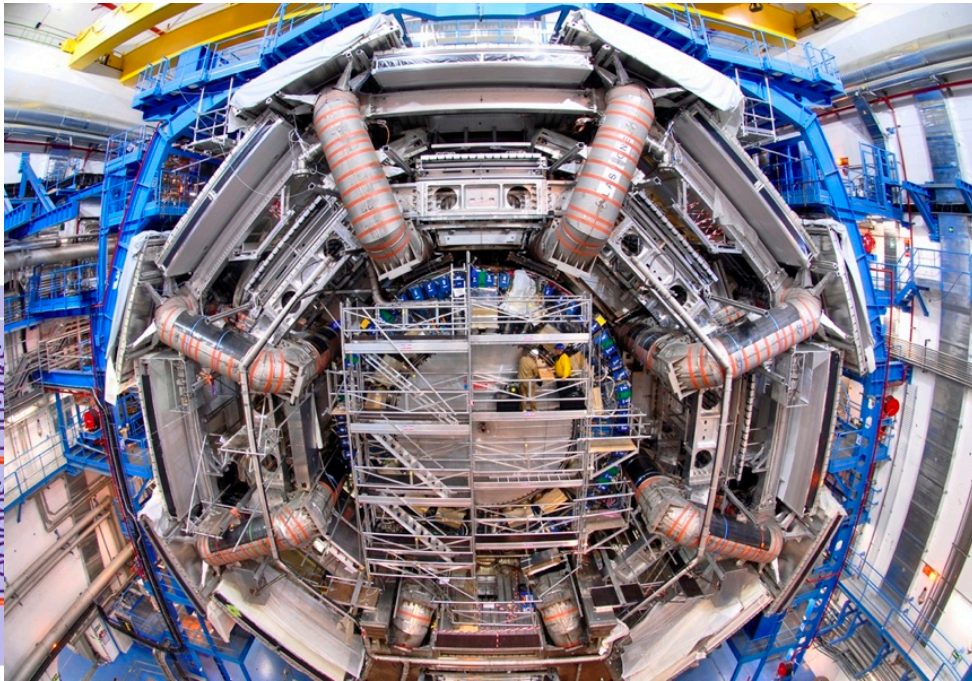


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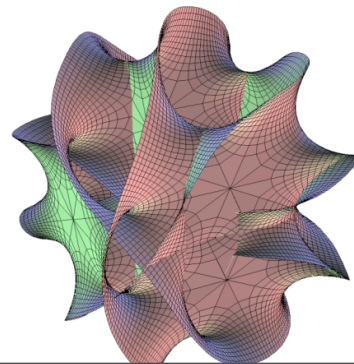


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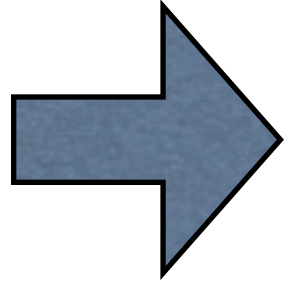
Strategy for string phenomenology:

Consider (only) those vacua that realize the Standard Model
(by-pass the landscape problem):

- What is the likelihood for vacua with the SM-like properties?
- What are their generic, model independent features?
- Can we make model independent predictions beyond the SM?
- Can we test these predictions in experiments (LHC)?

Bottom-up approach has to meet
top-down approach!

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II) (Intersecting) D-brane models:

(Bachas (1995); Blumenhagen, Görlich, Körs, Lüst (2000); Angelantonj, Antoniadis, Dudas Sagnotti (2000); Ibanez, Marchesano, Rabadan (2001); Cvetič, Shiu, Uranga (2001); ...)

Alternative constructions: **heterotic strings**

(Braun, He, Ovrut, Pantev; Bouchard, Donagi; Buchmüller, Hamaguchi, Lebedev, Nilles, Ramos-Sanchez, Ratz, Vaudrevange; Groot Nibbelink, Held, Ruehle, Trappetti, Vaudrevange; Faraggi, Kounnas, Rizos)

F-theory (Beasley, Heckman, Marsano, Saulina, Schafer-Nameki, Vafa; Donagi, Wijnholt, ...)

Consider **open string** compactifications with intersecting D-branes $\Rightarrow$ **Type IIA/B orientifolds:**

Features:

- **Non-Abelian gauge bosons** live as **open strings** on lower dimensional world volumes π of **D-branes**.
- **Chiral fermions** are open strings on the **intersection locus** of two D-branes: $N_F = I_{ab} \equiv \#(\pi_a \cap \pi_b) \equiv \pi_a \circ \pi_b$

Perturbative type II orientifolds contain:

(Review: Blumenhagen, Körs, Lüst, Stieberger, hep-th/0610327)

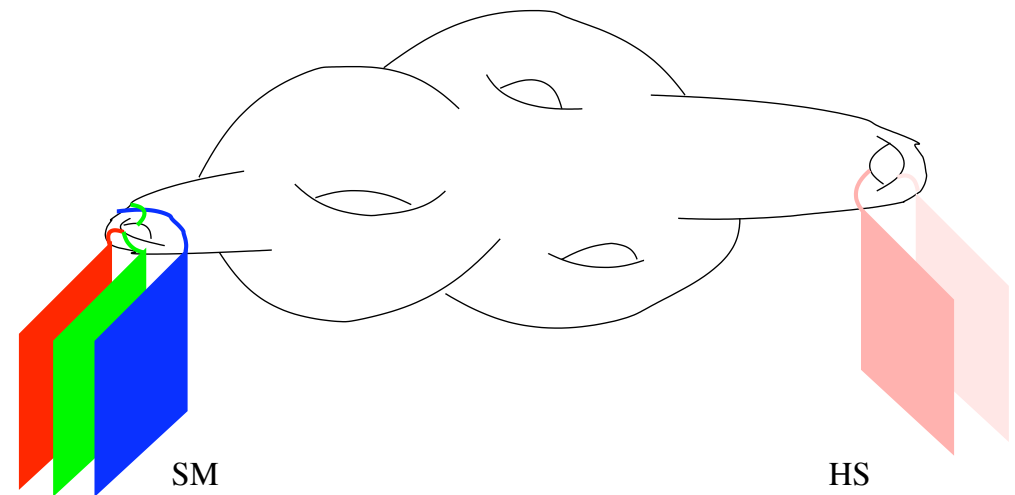
- Closed string 6-dimensional background geometry:
 - Torus, orbifold, Calabi-Yau space, generalized spaces with torsion.
- Space-time filling $D(3+p)$ -branes wrapped around internal p -cycles:
 - Open string matter fields.
- Strong consistency conditions:
 - tadpole cancellation with orientifold planes.

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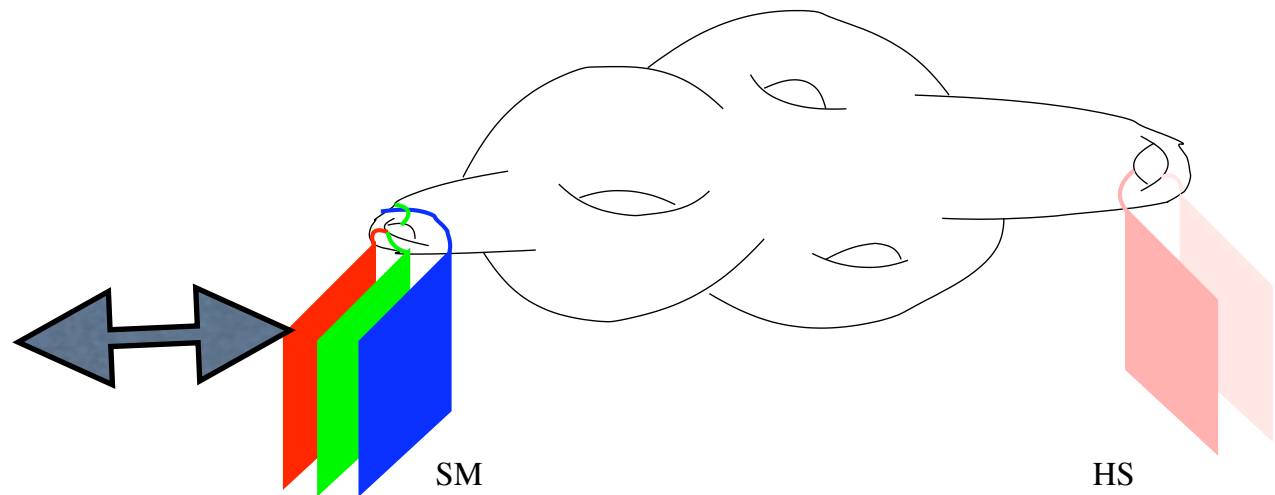
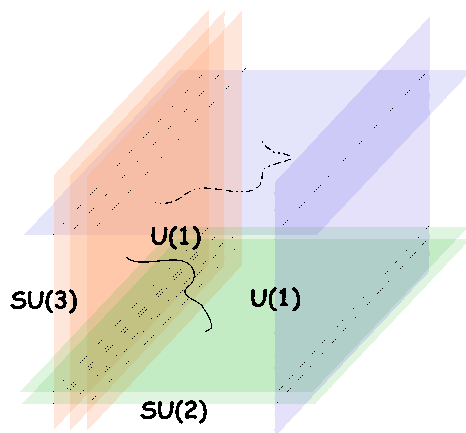
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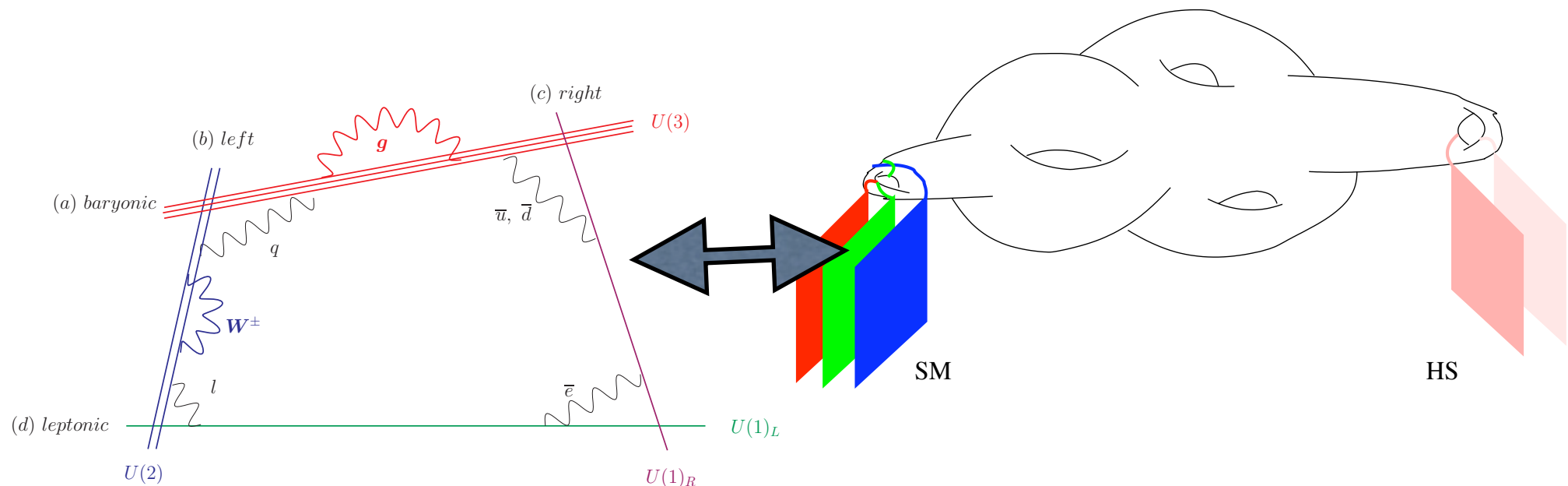
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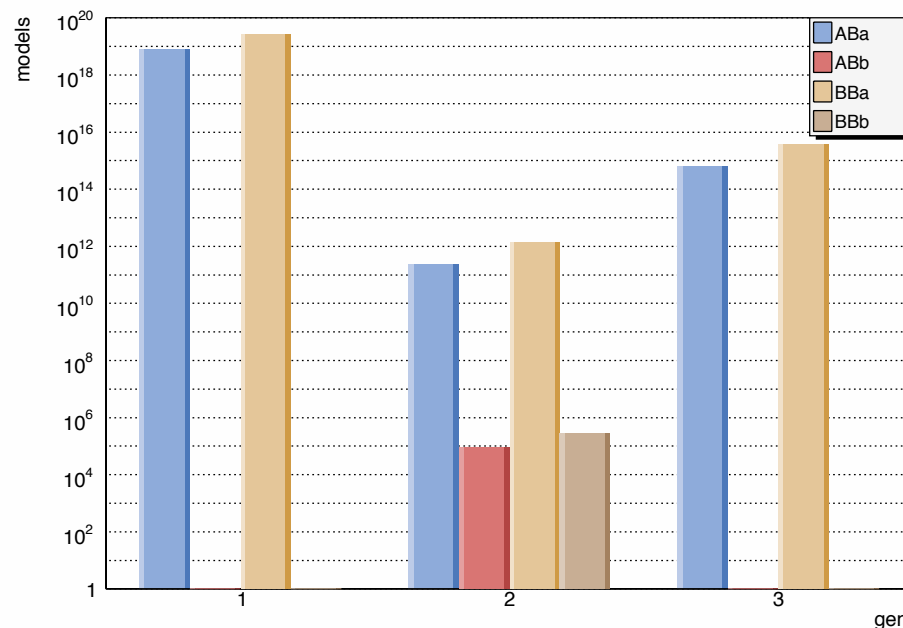
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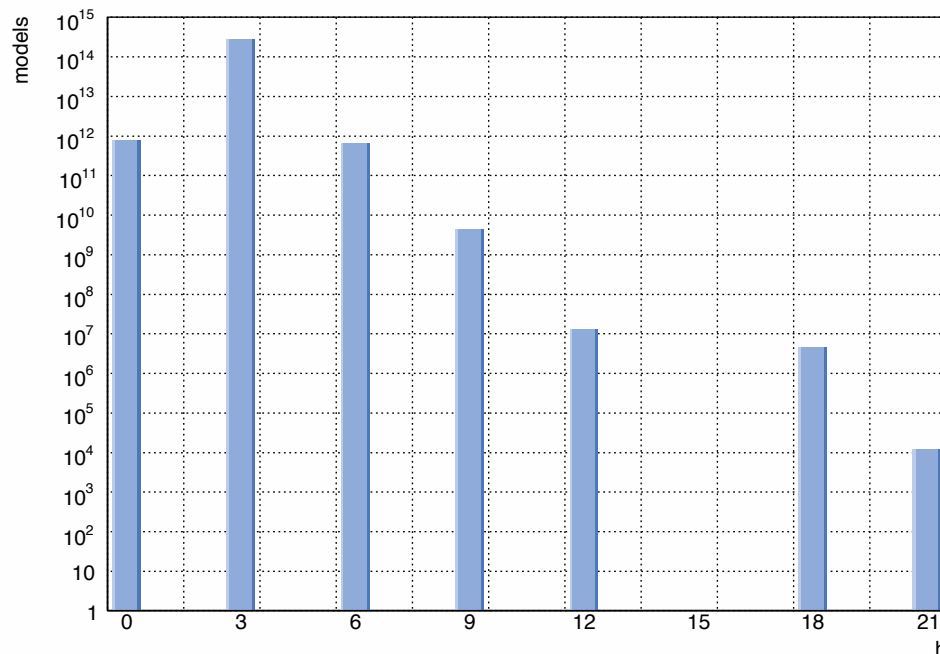
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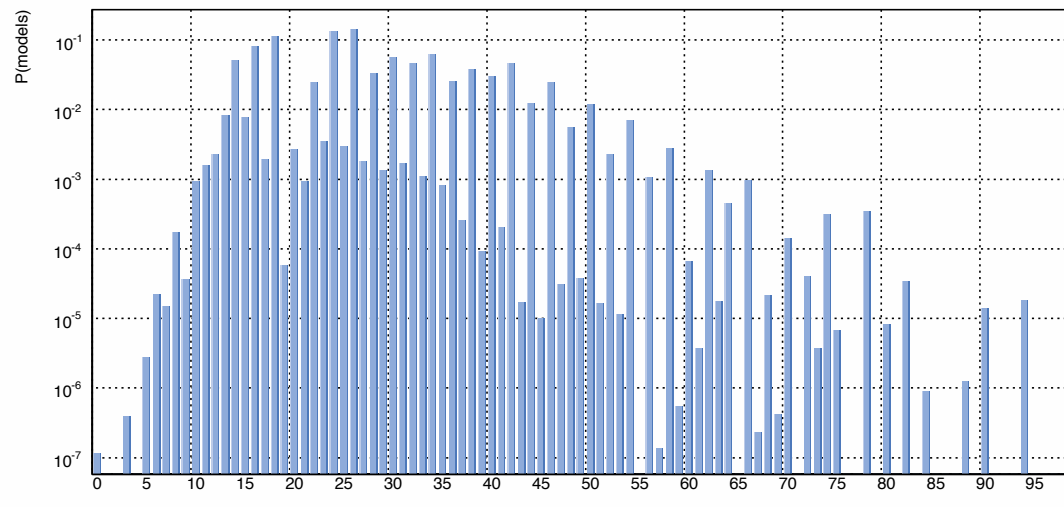
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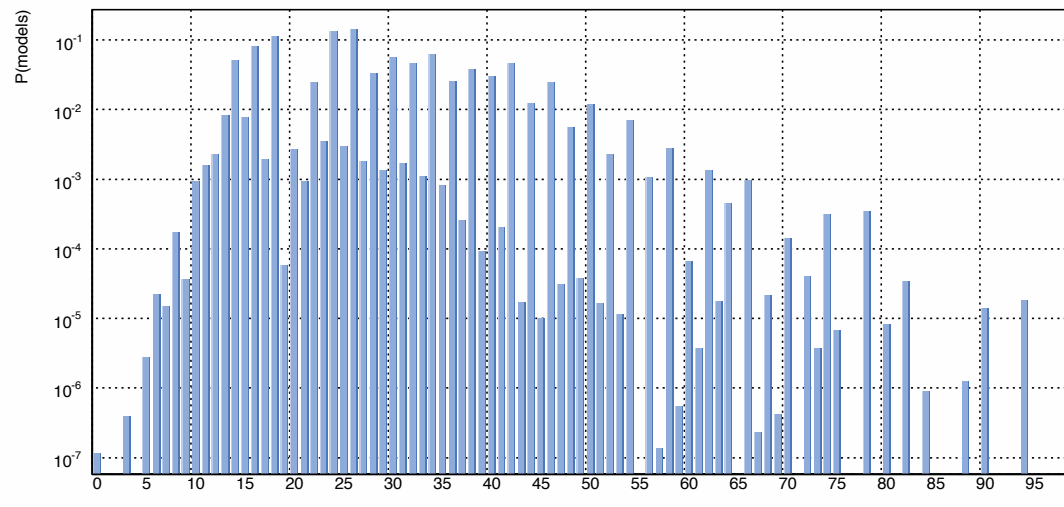
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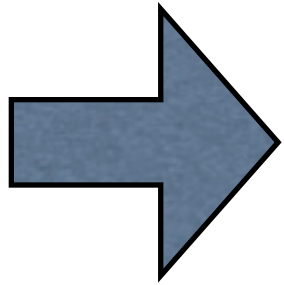
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Scale of wrapped D(p+3)-branes (e.g. IIB: p=0,4),
(IIA: p=3):

$$(3) : M_p^{\parallel} = \frac{1}{(V_p^{\parallel})^{1/p}}, \quad (3') : M_{6-p}^{\perp} = \frac{1}{(V_{6-p}^{\perp})^{1/(6-p)}}$$

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(o) Planck scale scenario:

M_s is the gravitational 4D Planck scale

$$M_s \equiv M_{\text{Planck}} \simeq 10^{19} \text{ GeV}$$

Gauge coupling unification at the Planck scales needs further effects (string threshold corrections, ...)

Alternatively relate the string scale to particles physics mass scales.

(i) GUT scale scenario:

M_s is the 4D scale of gauge coupling unification

$$M_s \equiv M_{GUT} \simeq 10^{16} \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_{GUT} = M_{SM} \exp \left(\frac{g_{Dp}^{-2}(M_{SM}) - g_{Dp}^{-2}(M_{GUT})}{b_p} \right)$$

Recent GUT string model building in F-theory and IIB orientifolds:

(Beasley, Heckman, Marsano, Saulina, Schafer-Nameki, Vafa; Donagi, Wijnholt; Blumenhagen, Braun, Grimm, Weigand; Andreas, Curio)

- D7-branes wrapped on del Pezzo surfaces
- GUT gauge group is broken by $U(1)_Y$ flux

(ii) SUSY breaking scenario:

M_s is the intermediate 4D scale of supersymmetry breaking

(Balasubramanian, Conlon, Quevedo, Suruliz, ...)

$$M_s \equiv M_{SUSY} \simeq 10^{11} \text{ GeV}$$

Gravity mediation:

$$M_{SUSY} \sim \sqrt{M_{SM} M_{\text{Planck}}}$$

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(o)	10^{19}	10^{-35}	10^{19}	10^{-35}	10^{19}	10^{-35}
(i)	10^{16}	10^{-32}	10^{15}	10^{-31}	10^{13}	10^{-29}
(ii)	10^{11}	10^{-27}	10^{6-7}	$10^{-(22-23)}$	10^3	10^{-19}
(iii)	10^3	10^{-19}	$10^{-14/6}$	10^{-14}	10^{-13}	10^{-3}

Dimensionless volume in string units:

$$V'_6 = V_6 M_s^6 = \frac{M_{\text{Planck}}^2}{M_s^2} = 1, 10^6, 10^{16}, 10^{32}$$

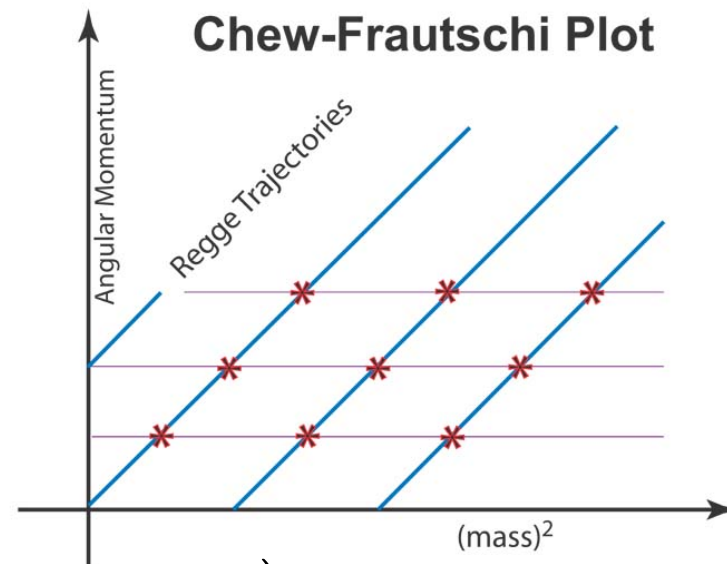
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(i) Stringy Regge excitations:

$$M_{\text{Regge}} = M_s = \frac{M_{\text{Planck}}}{\sqrt{V'_6}}$$

Open string excitations: completely universal (model independent), carry SM gauge quantum numbers



$$M_n^2 = M_s^2 \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_{-k}^\mu \alpha_k^\nu - 1 \right) = (n-1) M_s^2, \quad (n = 1, \dots, \infty)$$

(ii) Overall volume modulus:

$$M_T = \frac{M_{\text{Planck}}}{(V'_6)^{3/2}} = 10^{19}, 10^{10}, 10^{-5}, 10^{-29} \text{ GeV}$$

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But one expects a mass shift by radiative corrections:

$$\Delta M_T \simeq \frac{\langle T_\mu^\mu T_\mu^\mu \rangle}{M_{\text{Planck}}^2} \simeq \frac{M_s^4}{M_{\text{Planck}}^2} \simeq 10^{-13} \text{ GeV}$$

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Type IIB orientifolds: Realization of low string scale compactifications on „Swiss Cheese“ Manifolds:

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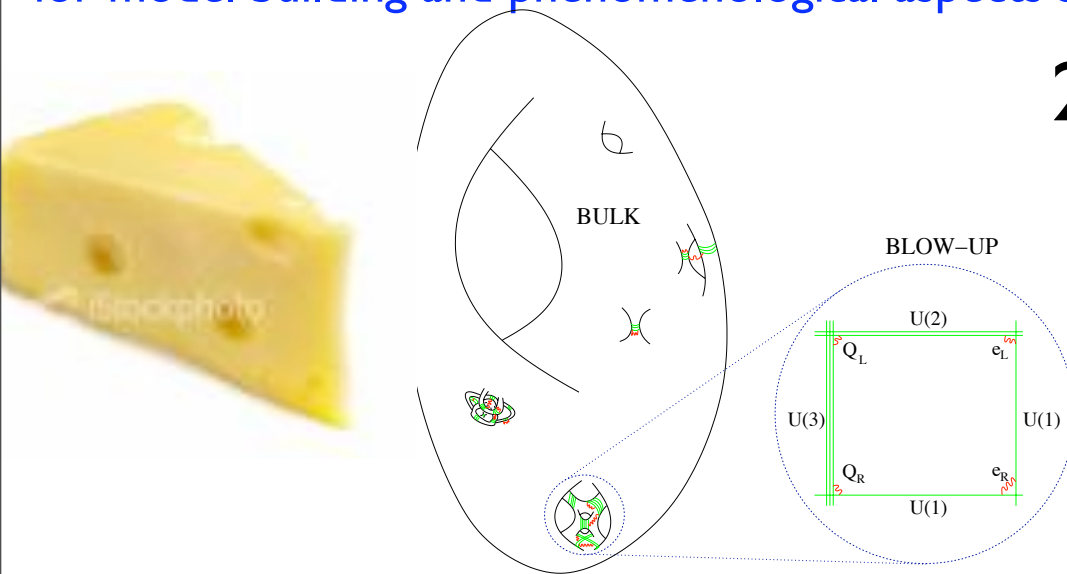
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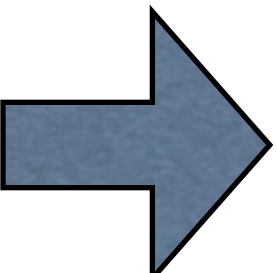
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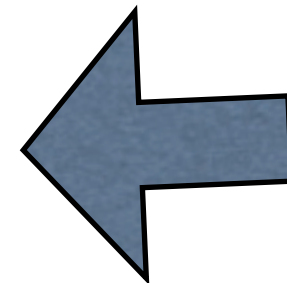
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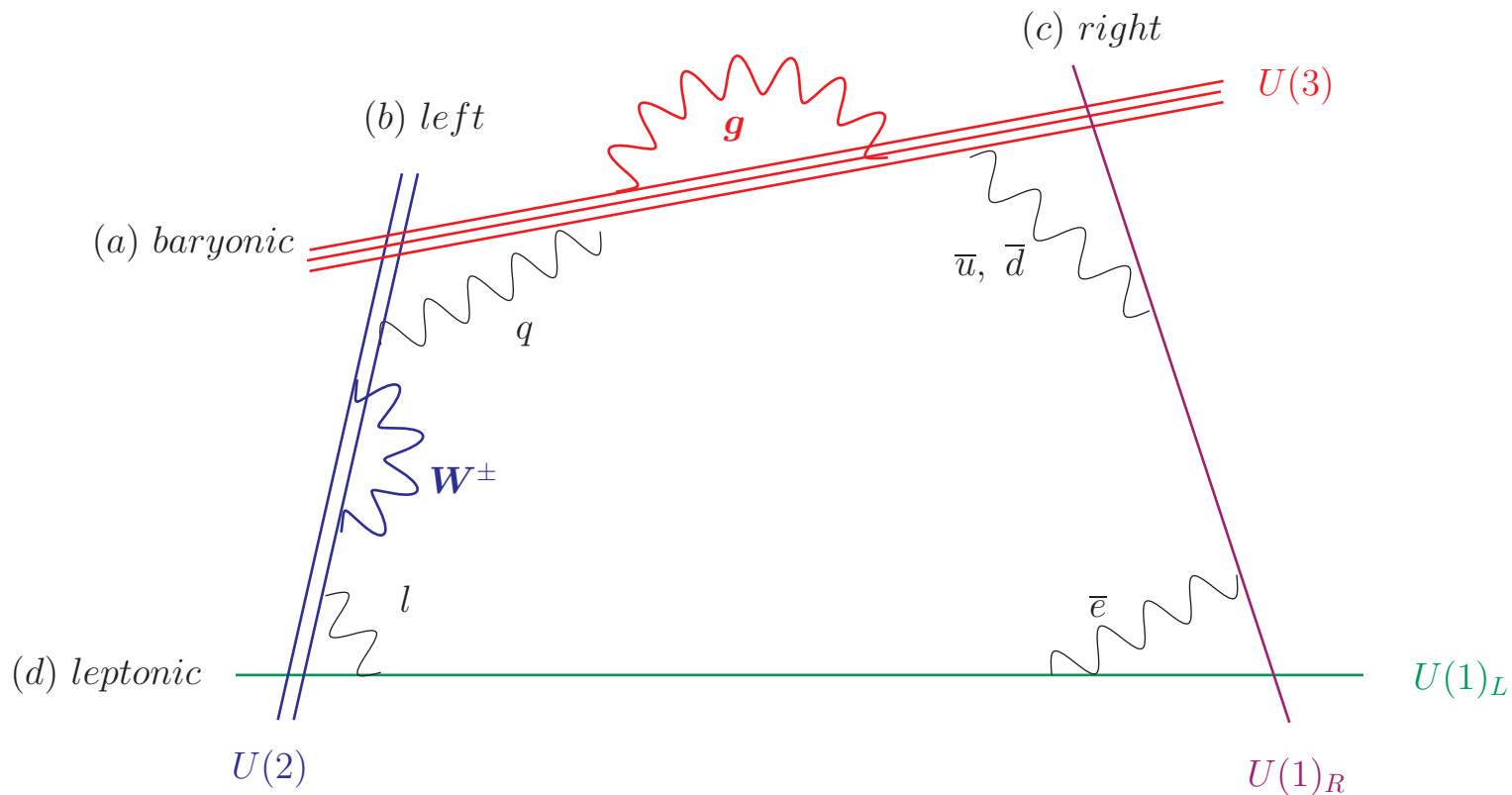


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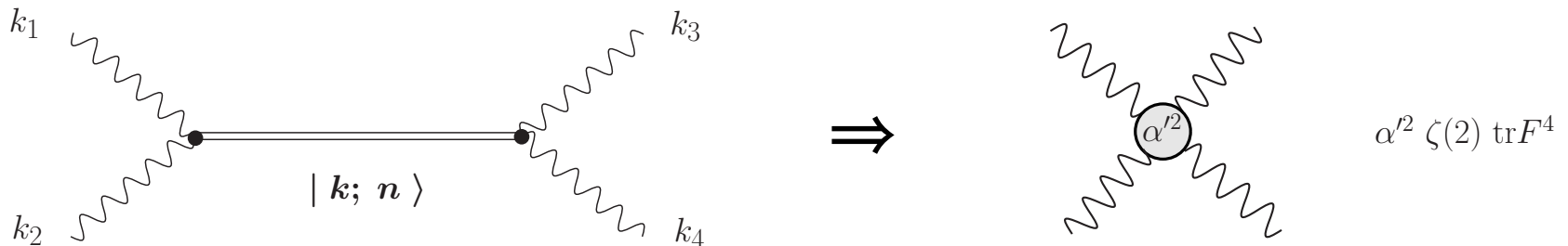
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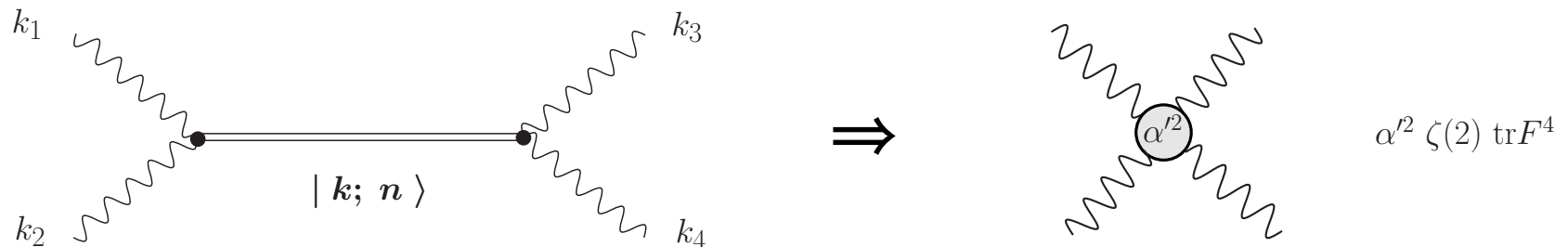
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Fermions: boundary changing (twist) operators!

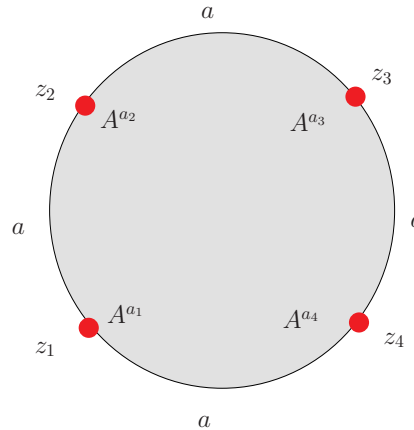
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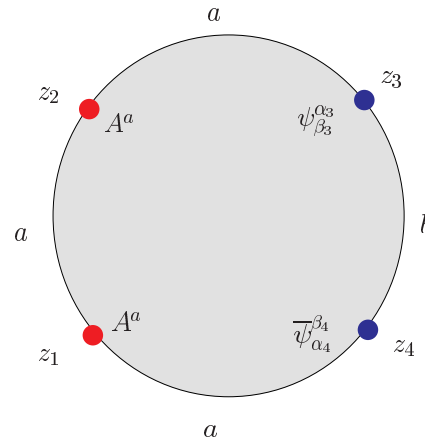
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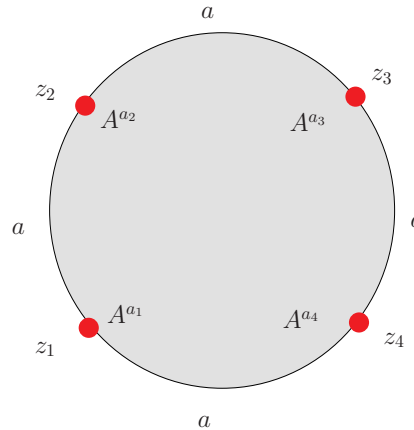
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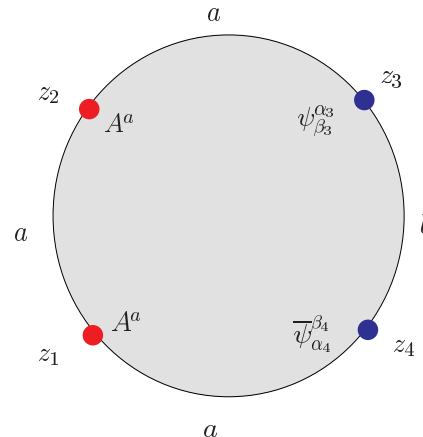
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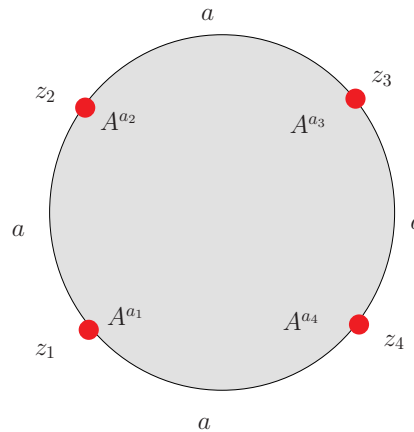
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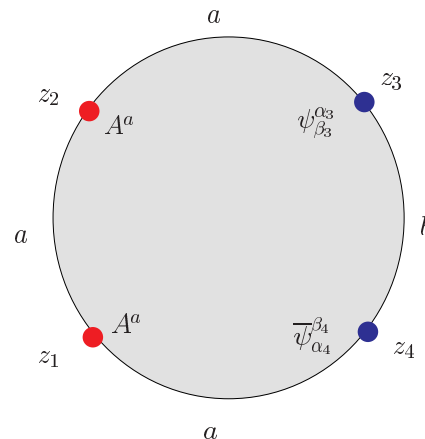
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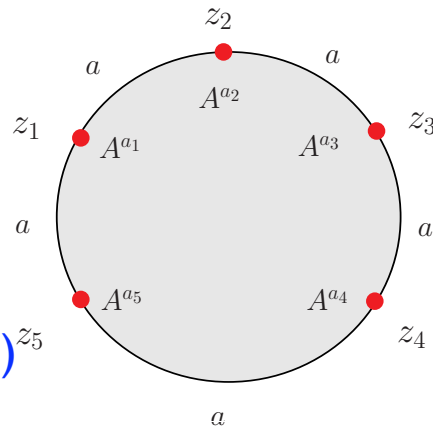
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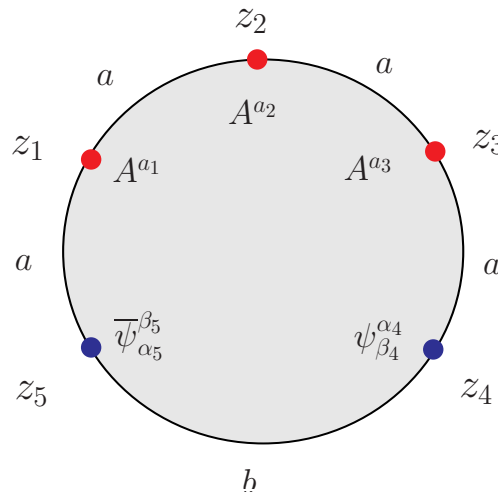
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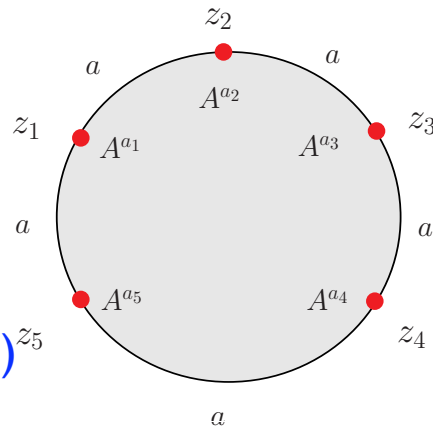
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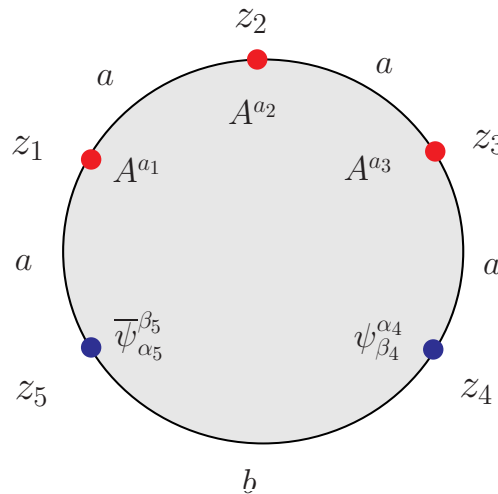
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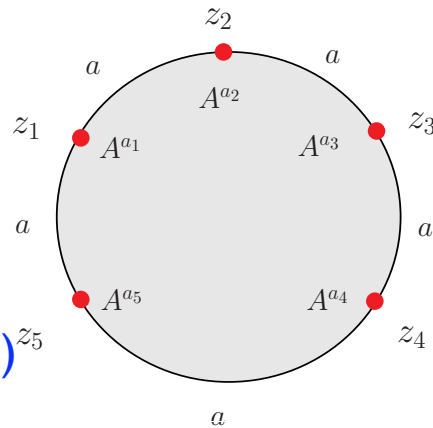
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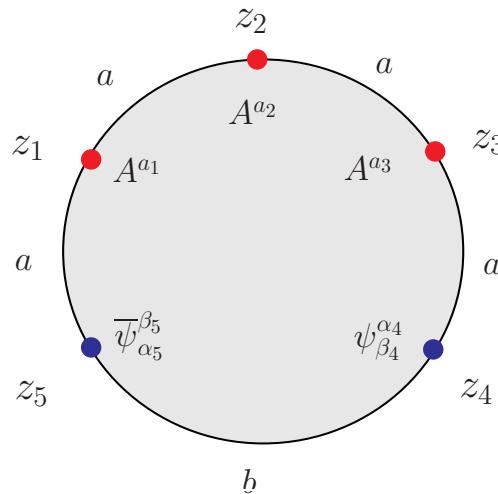
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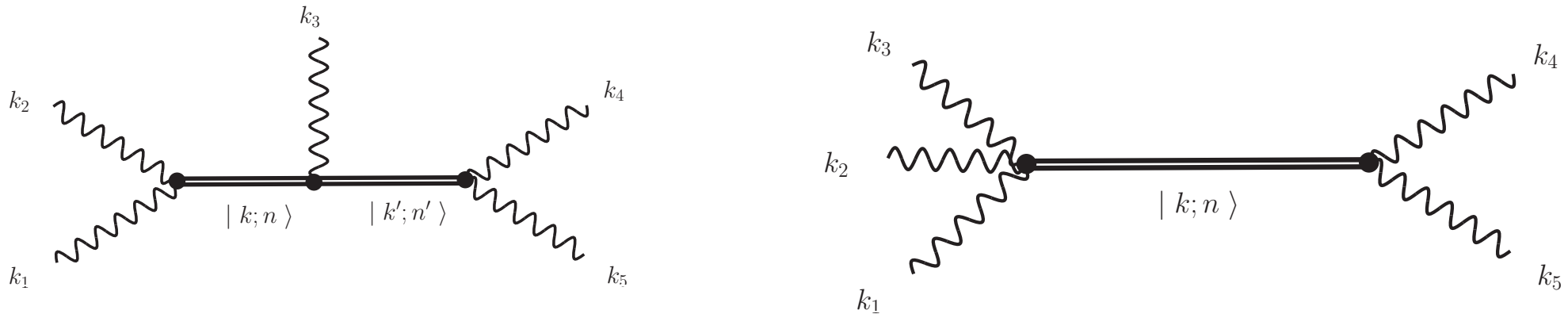
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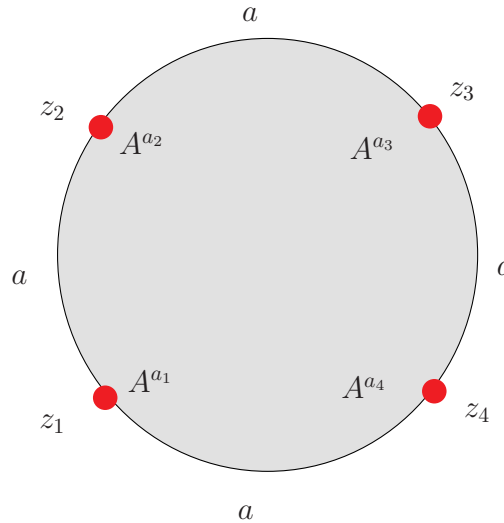


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⇒ Information about the string Regge spectrum.

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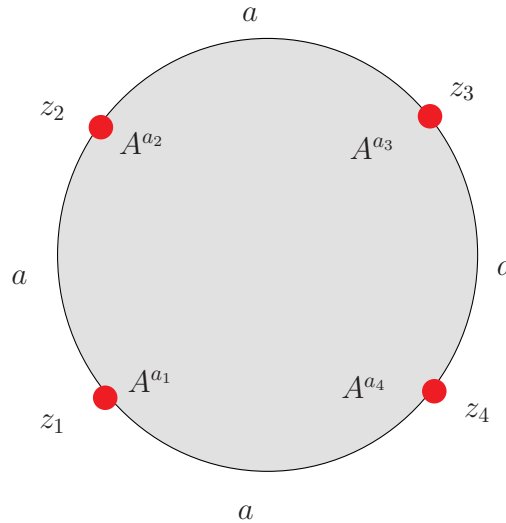
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Observable at LHC for $M_{\text{string}} = 3 \text{ TeV}$

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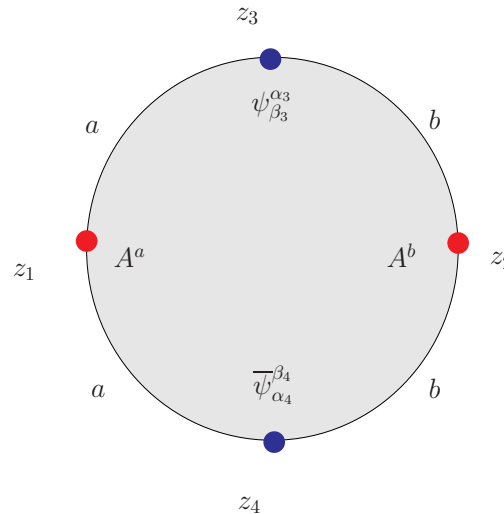
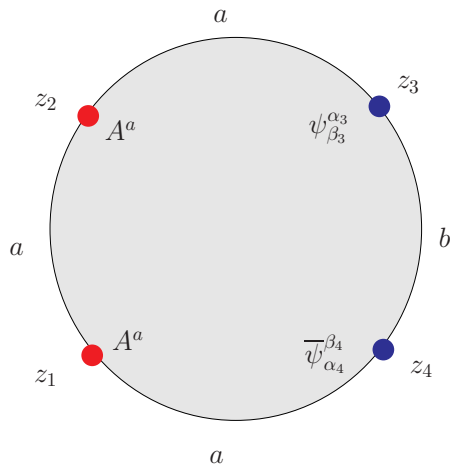
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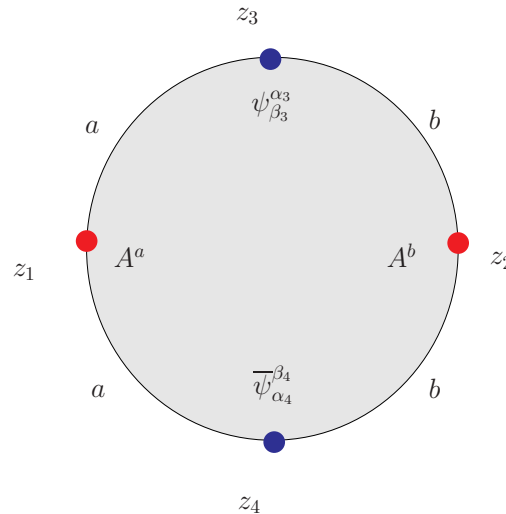
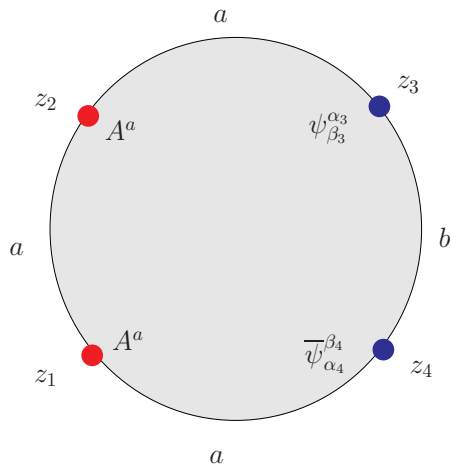
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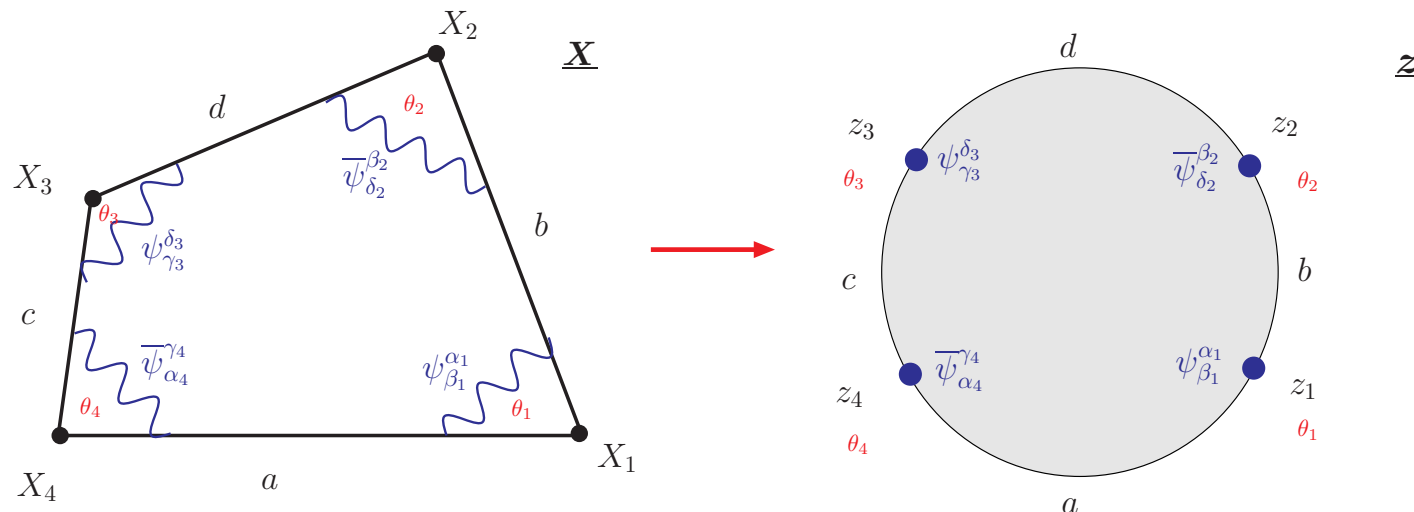
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Exchange of **Regge**, **KK** and **winding** resonances.

These amplitudes are more model dependent
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Constrained by FCNC's and/or proton decay.

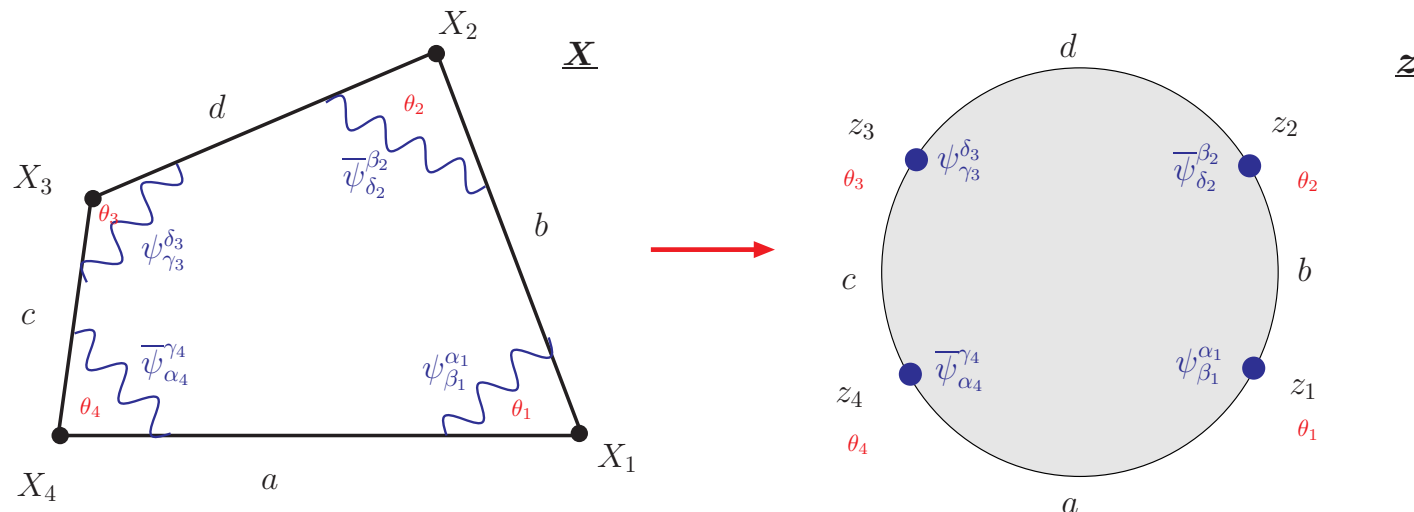
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depend on internal geometry

4 fermion amplitudes:



Exchange of **Regge**, **KK** and **winding** resonances.

These amplitudes are more model dependent
and test the internal CY geometry.

Constrained by FCNC's and/or proton decay.

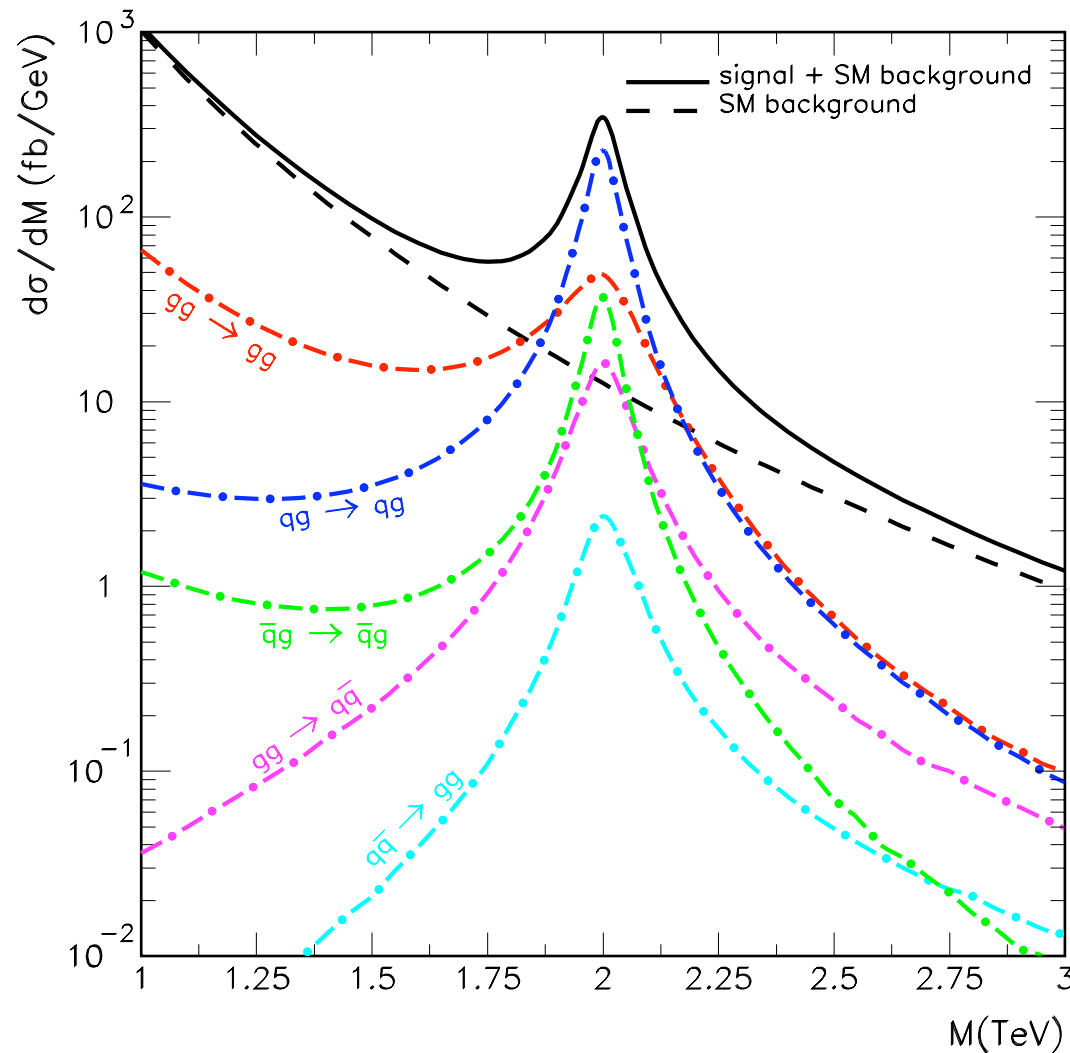
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$\alpha' \rightarrow 0$: agreement with SM !

$$|\mathcal{A}(qq \rightarrow qq)|_{\alpha' \rightarrow 0}^2 \rightarrow \frac{4}{9} \left[\frac{s^2 + u^2}{t^2} \right] + \frac{4}{9} \left[\frac{s^2 + t^2}{u^2} \right] - \frac{8}{27} \frac{s^2}{tu}$$

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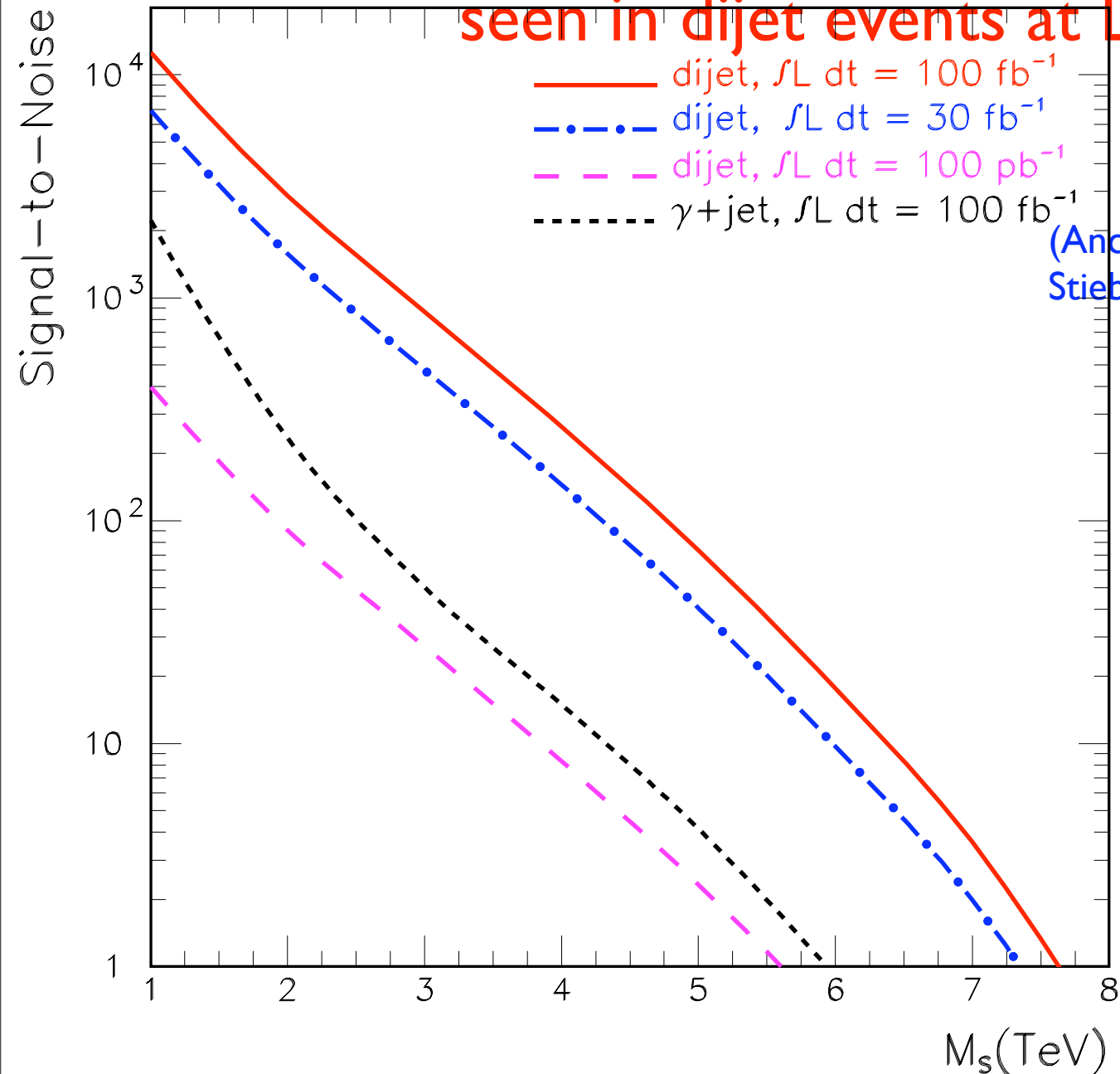
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Widths can be computed in a
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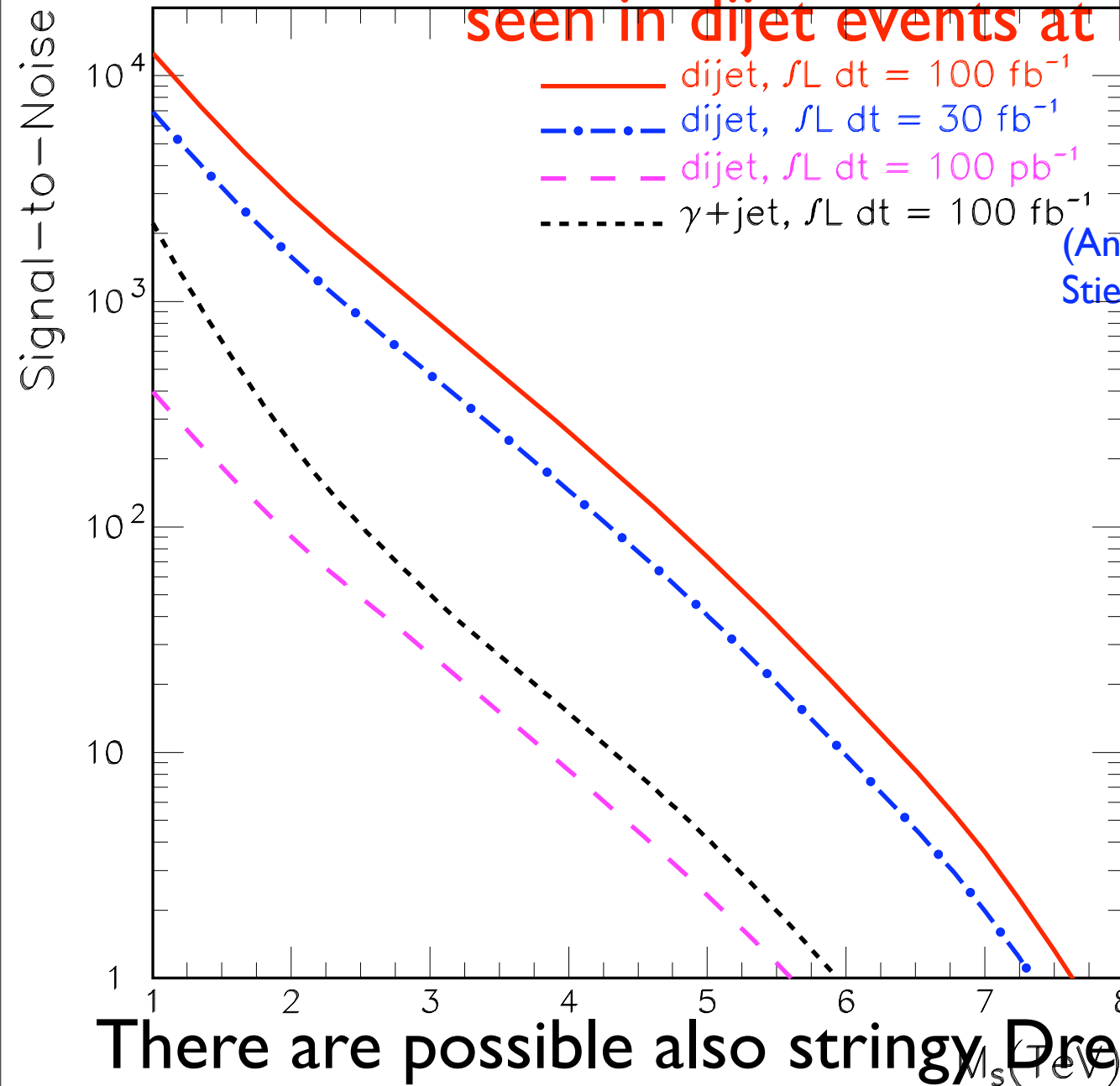
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There are possible also stringy Drell-Yan processes like

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow l\bar{l}$$

- KK modes are seen in scattering processes with more than 2 fermions.

⇒ Information about the internal geometry.

KK modes are exchanged in t- and u-channel processes and exhibit an interesting angular distribution.

(L. Anchordoqui, H. Goldberg, D. Lüst, S. Nawata, S. Stieberger, T. Taylor, paper in preparation)

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Any null-vector $k_i^2 = 0$ can be written in terms of two spinors $(\lambda, \tilde{\lambda})$

$$\text{Momentum } k_i^\mu \longrightarrow \text{Dirac spinor } \begin{pmatrix} u_+(k_i)_\alpha \\ u_-(k_i)_{\dot{\alpha}} \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} (\lambda_i)_\alpha \\ (\tilde{\lambda}_i)_{\dot{\alpha}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$u(k)$ = Dirac spinor, helicity states $u_\pm(k) = (1 \pm \gamma_5) u(k)$

$$\text{with choice } u_+(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{k^+} \\ \sqrt{k^-} e^{i\varphi} \\ \sqrt{k^+} \\ \sqrt{k^-} e^{i\varphi} \end{pmatrix}, \quad u_-(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{k^-} e^{-i\varphi} \\ -\sqrt{k^+} \\ \sqrt{k^-} e^{-i\varphi} \\ \sqrt{k^+} \end{pmatrix} \quad k^\pm = k^0 \pm k^3$$

$$e^{\pm i\varphi} = \frac{k^1 \pm ik^2}{\sqrt{k^+ k^-}}$$

$$\text{Define } \boxed{|i^\pm\rangle = u_\pm(k_i) \quad , \quad \langle i^\pm| = \overline{u_\pm(k_i)}}$$

Spinor products:

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$$\boxed{\langle ij \rangle [ji] = -k_i k_j}$$