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# Soft SUSY breaking in Type IIA flux compactifications

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This is called soft SUSY breaking

# SUSY breaking basics

It is difficult to directly couple a dynamical SUSY breaking to the visible sector.

**F-term SUSY breaking**  $\langle F^{C^\alpha} \rangle \neq 0$

- Require  $C^\alpha$  to be a SM singlet
- Does not lead to a phenomenologically viable pattern of supersymmetry-breaking parameters.
- Gauginos masses cannot arise in renormalizable SUSY theory at tree-level.

**D-term SUSY breaking**  $\langle D_a \rangle \neq 0$

- Does not lead to an acceptable spectrum of sparticles.

Soft SUSY-breaking terms should arise **indirectly** or **radiatively**, not from tree-level couplings to the SUSY breaking sector.

## Hidden sector framework

Particles with no direct (or tiny) coupling to visible sector (i.e moduli sector in String Theory).

SUSY is spontaneously broken in the hidden sector by  $\langle F^{hi} \rangle \neq 0$

$$\Lambda_{\text{SUSY}} = \langle F \rangle^{1/2}$$

Both sectors share some mediating interactions that transmit supersymmetry breaking from the hidden sector to the visible sector (i.e gravity )

Fields in the visible sector feel SUSY breaking at the scale

$$m_{\text{soft}} = \frac{\Lambda_{\text{SUSY}}^2}{M_p}$$

If we expect  $m_{\text{soft}} \sim \mathcal{O}(\text{TeV}) \Rightarrow \Lambda_{\text{SUSY}} \sim 10^{10-11} \text{ GeV}$



# SUGRA effective field theory

Expanding  $K$  and  $W$  in powers of the matter fields [Soni & Weldon '83](#)  
[Brignole, Ibañez & Muñoz '93](#) , [Kaplunovsky & Louis '93](#)

$$W = \hat{W}(h^i) + a_\alpha(h^i)C^\alpha + \frac{1}{2}\mu_{\alpha\beta}(h^i)C^\alpha C^\beta + \frac{1}{6}Y_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(h^i)C^\alpha C^\beta C^\gamma + \dots$$

$$K = \hat{K}(h^i, \bar{h}^{\bar{i}}) + \tilde{K}_{\alpha\bar{\beta}}(h^i, \bar{h}^{\bar{i}})C^\alpha C^{\bar{\beta}} + \left( \frac{1}{2}Z_{\alpha\beta}(h^i, \bar{h}^{\bar{i}})C^\alpha C^\beta + h.c \right) + \dots$$

Expanding the SUGRA scalar potential

$$V_{\text{soft}} = m_{\alpha\bar{\beta}}C^\alpha C^{\bar{\beta}} + \left( \frac{1}{6}A_{\alpha\beta\gamma}C^\alpha C^\beta C^\gamma + \frac{1}{2}B_{\alpha\beta}C^\alpha C^\beta + h.c \right)$$

The soft SUSY breaking terms are

$$m_{\alpha\bar{\beta}}^2 = \left( m_{3/2}^2 + V_0 \right) \tilde{K}_{\alpha\bar{\beta}} - \bar{F}^{\bar{m}} \left( \partial_{\bar{m}}\partial_n \tilde{K}_{\alpha\bar{\beta}} - \partial_{\bar{m}}\tilde{K}_{\alpha\bar{\gamma}} \tilde{K}^{\gamma\bar{\delta}} \partial_n \tilde{K}_{\bar{\delta}\bar{\beta}} \right) F^n$$

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$$A_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = \frac{\hat{W}^*}{|\hat{W}|} e^{\hat{K}/2} F^m \left\{ \hat{K}_m Y_{\alpha\beta\gamma} + \partial_m Y_{\alpha\beta\gamma} - \left( \tilde{K}^{\delta\bar{\rho}} \partial_m \tilde{K}_{\bar{\rho}\alpha} Y_{\delta\beta\gamma} + (\alpha \leftrightarrow \beta) + (\alpha \leftrightarrow \gamma) \right) \right\}$$

$$B_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\hat{W}^*}{|\hat{W}|} e^{\hat{K}/2} \left\{ F^m \left( \hat{K}_m \mu_{\alpha\beta} + \partial_m \mu_{\alpha\beta} - \left( \tilde{K}^{\delta\bar{\rho}} \partial_m \tilde{K}_{\bar{\rho}\alpha} \mu_{\delta\beta} + (\alpha \leftrightarrow \beta) \right) \right) - m_{3/2} \mu_{\alpha\beta} \right\} + m_{3/2} F^m \left[ \partial_m Z_{\alpha\beta} - \left( \tilde{K}^{\delta\bar{\rho}} \partial_m \tilde{K}_{\bar{\rho}\alpha} Z_{\delta\beta} + (\alpha \leftrightarrow \beta) \right) \right] + (2m_{3/2}^2 + V_0) Z_{\alpha\beta} - m_{3/2} F^{\bar{m}} \partial_{\bar{m}} Z_{\alpha\beta} - F^{\bar{m}} F^n \left[ \partial_n \partial_{\bar{m}} Z_{\alpha\beta} - \left( \tilde{K}^{\delta\bar{\rho}} \partial_n \tilde{K}_{\bar{\rho}\alpha} \partial_{\bar{m}} Z_{\delta\beta} + (\alpha \leftrightarrow \beta) \right) \right]$$

The tree-level cosmological constant

$$V_0 = \kappa_4^2 e^{\kappa_4^2 \hat{K}} \left[ \hat{K}_{n\bar{m}} F^n F^{\bar{m}} - 3m_{3/2}^2 \right], \quad F^n = \kappa_4^2 e^{\kappa_4^2 \hat{K}/2} \hat{K}^{n\bar{m}} D_{\bar{m}} \hat{W}^*$$

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- Determine the underlying source of SUSY breaking ( related to moduli stabilisation ).

Soft SUSY breaking terms from string compactifications

Heterotic compactifications Brignole, Ibañez & Muñoz '93 , Brignole, Ibañez, Muñoz & Scheich '96 , Kim & Muñoz '96

Lack of potential to stabilise moduli

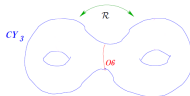
Type IIB compactifications (KKLT,LVS), Camara, Ibañez & Uranga '04 , Conlon, Cremades & Quevedo '05 , Conlon, Quevedo & Suruliz '06 , Aparicio et al. '14

SUSY is broken by background fluxes (non-perturbative effects to stabilise Kähler moduli)

# Type IIA Orientifolds

Compactification of Type IIA String Theory on  $CY$  orientifolds.

Discrete symmetry  $\mathcal{O} = (-1)^{F_L \Omega_p} \mathcal{R}$



$$\mathcal{R} : J = -J$$

$$\mathcal{R} : \Omega = e^{2i\theta} \bar{\Omega}$$

$\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUGRA theory in 4d (closed string sector) [Grimm & Louis '05](#)

Massless spectrum:  $h_-^{(1,1)}$  Kähler moduli,  $h^{(2,1)}$  complex structure moduli, axion-dilaton multiplet and  $h_+^{(1,1)}$  vector multiplets

The Kähler potential

$$\hat{K} = -\ln \left[ \frac{1}{6} \mathcal{K}_{abc} (T^a + \bar{T}^a) (T^b + \bar{T}^b) (T^c + \bar{T}^c) \right] - 2\ln \left[ \frac{\mathcal{F}_{KL}}{2} (N^K + \bar{N}^K) (N^L + \bar{N}^L) \right]$$

If background fluxes are turning on

$$\hat{W}_{\text{IIA}} = e_0 + ie_a T^a - \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{K}_{abc} q^a T^b T^c - \frac{im_0}{6} \mathcal{K}_{abc} T^a T^b T^c - h_K N^K$$

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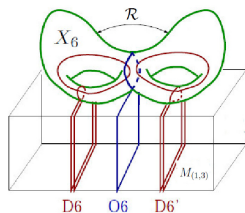


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Type IIA String Theory contains Dp-branes with  $p = 0, 2, 4, 6, 8$

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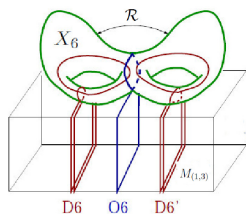


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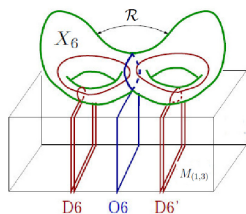
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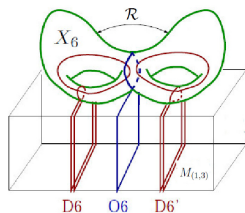
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Tadpole cancellation condition

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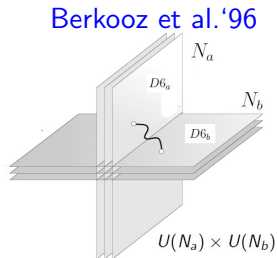
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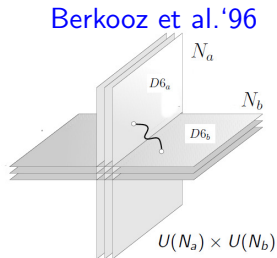
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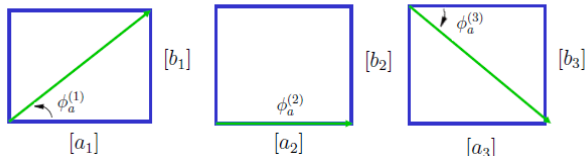
## aa-Sector

- $U(N)$  gauge bosons
- $p - 3$  chiral multiplets in the adjoint representation, parametrising continuous displacements and Wilson lines

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## Toroidal example

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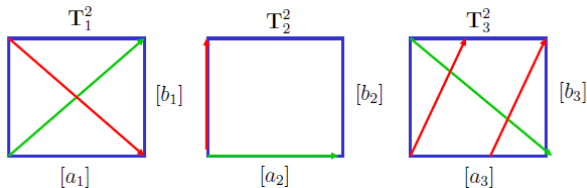
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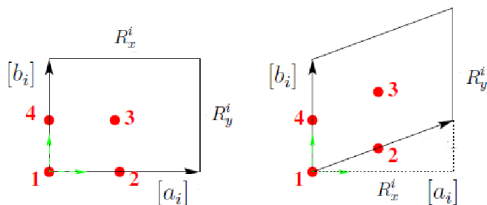
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# $\mathbf{T}^6/\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ orbifold

Orbifold action  $\theta, \omega : z^i \rightarrow e^{2\pi i \nu_i} z^i$  (3 generation models) Cvetič, Shiu & Uranga '01

$$\vec{\nu}_\theta : (1/2, -1/2, 0) \quad \vec{\nu}_\omega : (0, 1/2, -1/2)$$



Under the  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$  symmetry

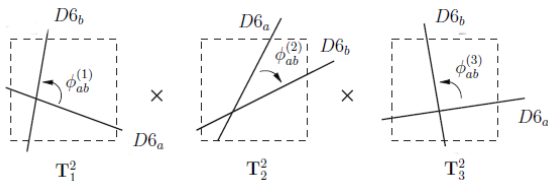
$$U(N_a) \rightarrow U(N_a/2)$$

Closed string sector (without discrete torsion)

$h^{(1,1)}$  Kähler moduli: 3 untwisted  $T^i$  (volume of  $\mathbf{T}_i^2$ ), 16 at  $\theta$ -fixed points, 16 at  $\omega$ -fixed points and 16 at  $\theta\omega$ -fixed points.

$h^{(2,1)}$  Complex structure moduli: 3 untwisted  $U^i$  (shape of  $\mathbf{T}_i^2$ )

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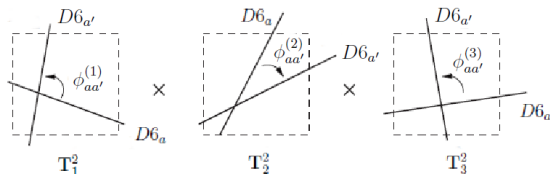
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$$\tilde{K}_{C_{ab}^\alpha \bar{C}_{ab}^\beta} = \delta_{\alpha\bar{\beta}} \kappa_4^{-2} e^D \sqrt{\frac{8\pi V_{ab}^{(i)}}{(T^j + \bar{T}^j)(T^k + \bar{T}^k)}}, \quad i \neq j \neq k$$

with  $V_{ab}^{(i)} = \tau_i^{-1} n_a^i n_b^i + \tau_i \tilde{m}_a^i \tilde{m}_b^i$

- **aa-sector** Adjoint matter  $C_{aa}^\alpha$  (3 chiral multiplets)

$$\tilde{K}_{C_{aa}^\alpha \bar{C}_{aa}^\beta}^{\text{Adj}} = \delta_{\alpha\bar{\beta}} \frac{\sqrt{2\pi} \kappa_4^{-2} e^D}{T^i + \bar{T}^i} \sqrt{\frac{V_{aa}^{(j)} V_{aa}^{(k)}}{V_{aa}^{(i)}}}$$

Additional dependence on the **dilaton** and **complex structure moduli**

$$\tau_i = \sqrt{\frac{(U^j + \bar{U}^j)(U^k + \bar{U}^k)}{(U^i + \bar{U}^i)(S + \bar{S})}}, \quad e^D = \left[ \frac{1}{16} (S + \bar{S}) \prod_{i=1}^3 (U^i + \bar{U}^i) \right]^{-1/4}$$



# Soft SUSY breaking terms

Soft gaugino masses

$$M_a = \frac{1}{2} (\text{Re } f_a)^{-1} F^n \partial_n f_a$$

Diagonal Kähler metric and vanishing  $Z$ -terms lead

$$m_\alpha^2 = (m_{3/2}^2 + V_0) - F^{\bar{m}} F^n \partial_{\bar{m}} \partial_n \ln \tilde{K}_\alpha$$

$$\hat{A}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = \hat{Y}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} F^m \left( \hat{K}_m + \partial_m \text{Log } Y_{\alpha\beta\gamma} - \partial_m \ln(\tilde{K}_\alpha \tilde{K}_\beta \tilde{K}_\gamma) \right)$$

$$\hat{B}_{\alpha\beta} = \hat{\mu}_{\alpha\beta} \left[ F^m \left( \hat{K}_m + \partial_m \ln \mu_{\alpha\beta} - \partial_m \ln \tilde{K}_\alpha \tilde{K}_\beta \right) - m_{3/2} \right]$$

The VEV's of the F-terms can be parametrized [Brignole, Ibañez & Muñoz '93](#)

$$F^S = \sqrt{3} C m_{3/2} \hat{K}_{S\bar{S}}^{-1/2} \sin \theta e^{-i\gamma_S}, \quad C^2 = 1 + \frac{V_0}{3m_{3/2}^2}$$

$$F^{U^i} = \sqrt{3} C m_{3/2} \hat{K}_{U^i \bar{U}^i}^{-1/2} \cos \theta \Theta_i^U e^{-i\gamma_{U^i}}$$

$$F^{T^i} = \sqrt{3} C m_{3/2} \hat{K}_{T^i \bar{T}^i}^{-1/2} \cos \theta \Theta_i^T e^{-i\gamma_{T^i}}, \quad \sum_{i=1} |\Theta_i^U|^2 + |\Theta_i^T|^2 = 1$$

# Gaungino masses

The gauge kinetic function  $f_a$  for the gauge fields living on the worldvolume of  $N$  coincident D6-branes is [Cremades, Ibañez & Marchesano '02](#)

$$f_a = \frac{1}{4} \left( n_a^1 n_a^2 n_a^3 S - \sum_{i=1}^3 n_a^i m_a^j m_a^k U^i \right), \quad i \neq j \neq k$$

Soft gaungino masses

$$M_a = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8} C m_{3/2} (\text{Re } f_a)^{-1} \left\{ n_a^1 n_a^2 n_a^3 (S + \bar{S}) \sin \theta e^{-i\gamma_S} - \cos \theta \sum_{i=1}^3 n_a^i m_a^j m_a^k (U^i + \bar{U}^i) \Theta_i^U e^{-i\gamma_{U^i}} \right\}$$

Non-universal gaungino masses are possible

## Soft-term for bifundamental chiral matter

Soft masses (independent of the D6-brane configuration and the phases on the parametrization)

$$m_{\alpha}^{(ab)2} = (m_{3/2}^2 + V_0) - \frac{3}{4} C^2 m_{3/2}^2 \left[ \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta \sum_{i=1}^3 (2|\Theta_i^T|^2 + |\Theta_i^U|^2) \right]$$

$\hat{A}$ -terms

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{A}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = & \sqrt{3} C m_{3/2} \hat{Y}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \left\{ \left( -\frac{1}{4} + (S + \bar{S}) \partial_S \ln Y_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \right) \sin \theta e^{-i\gamma_S} \right. \\ & + \cos \theta \sum_{i=1}^3 \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{2} + (T^i + \bar{T}^i) \partial_{T^i} \ln Y_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \right) \Theta_i^T e^{-i\gamma_{T^i}} \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \left( -\frac{1}{4} + (U^i + \bar{U}^i) \partial_{U^i} \ln Y_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \right) \Theta_i^U e^{-i\gamma_{U^i}} \right\} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

# Soft-term for bifundamental chiral matter

$\hat{B}$ -terms

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{B}_{\alpha\beta} = & \sqrt{3}C m_{3/2}\hat{\mu}_{\alpha\beta} \left\{ \left( (S + \bar{S}) \partial_S \ln \mu_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \sin \theta e^{-i\gamma_S} \right. \\ & + \cos \theta \sum_{i=1}^3 \left\{ (T^i + \bar{T}^i) \Theta_i^T e^{-i\gamma_{T^i}} \partial_{T^i} \ln \mu_{\alpha\beta} \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \left( (U^i + \bar{U}^i) \partial_{U^i} \ln \mu_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \Theta_i^U e^{-i\gamma_{U^i}} \right\} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}C} \right\}\end{aligned}$$

The normalized Yukawa couplings and  $\mu$ -terms

$$\hat{Y}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = \frac{\hat{W}^*}{|\hat{W}|} e^{\hat{K}/2} \left( \tilde{K}_\alpha \tilde{K}_\beta \tilde{K}_\gamma \right)^{-1/2} Y_{\alpha\beta\gamma}, \quad \hat{\mu}_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\hat{W}^*}{|\hat{W}|} e^{\hat{K}/2} \left( \tilde{K}_\alpha \tilde{K}_\beta \right)^{-1/2} \mu_{\alpha\beta}$$

# No-scale Minkowski vacua

Camara, Font & Ibáñez '05

$$\kappa_4^2 \hat{K} = -\ln(S + \bar{S}) - \sum_{i=1}^3 \ln(U^i + \bar{U}^i) - \sum_{i=1}^3 \ln(T^i + \bar{T}^i)$$

The superpotential (mirror to the Type IIB superpotential with ISD fluxes)

$$\hat{W}_{IIA} = e_0 + ih_0 S + i \sum_{i=1}^3 e_i T^i - q_1 T^2 T^3 - q_2 T^1 T^3 - q_3 T^1 T^2 + im_0 T^1 T^2 T^3$$

The cosmological constant

$$V_0 = \kappa_4^2 e^{\kappa_4^2 \hat{K}} \left[ \sum_{S, T^i} \hat{K}^{n\bar{m}} D_n \hat{W} D_{\bar{m}} \bar{\hat{W}} + \sum_{U^i} \hat{K}^{n\bar{m}} D_n \hat{W} D_{\bar{m}} \bar{\hat{W}} - 3|\hat{W}|^2 \right]$$
$$= \kappa_4^2 e^{\kappa_4^2 \hat{K}} \sum_{S, T^i} \hat{K}^{n\bar{m}} D_n \hat{W} D_{\bar{m}} \bar{\hat{W}}$$

F-term conditions  $D_n \hat{W} = 0 \implies V_0 = 0$

$$\text{Im } T^i = -\frac{q_i}{m_0}, \quad \text{Im } S = \frac{e_0 m_0^2 - q_1 q_2 q_3}{h_0 m_0}, \quad h_0 \text{Re } S - m_0 \text{Re } T^1 \text{Re } T^2 \text{Re } T^3 = 0$$

## U-dominated SUSY breaking

SUSY is spontaneously broken by  $\langle F^{U^i} \rangle = im_{3/2}(U^i + \bar{U}^i)$

$$\Lambda_{\text{SUSY}} = 2m_{3/2}\sqrt{u_1^2 + u_2^2 + u_3^2} \quad m_{3/2}^2 = \frac{h_0 m_0}{32u_1 u_2 u_3}, \quad W_0 = 2ih_0 s$$

Isotropic case  $U^1 = U^2 = U^3 = U$

The parametrization requires  $\sin\theta = 0$ ,  $\Theta_i^T = 0$ ,  $\Theta^U = 1$ ,  $\gamma_U = -\pi/2$

Gaungino masses

$$M_a = -im_{3/2}\tau^2 \frac{\sum_{i=1}^3 n_a^i m_a^j m_a^k}{n_a^i n_a^j n_a^k + \tau^2 \sum_{i=1}^3 n_a^i m_a^j m_a^k}, \quad \tau^2 = \frac{(U + \bar{U})}{(S + \bar{S})}$$

Universal soft masses for bifundamental chiral matter

$$m_{C^\alpha}^{(ab)2} = m_{3/2}^2 \left(1 - \frac{3}{4}|\Theta^U|^2\right) = \frac{1}{4}m_{3/2}^2$$

The  $\hat{A}$  and  $\hat{B}$  terms are

$$\hat{A}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = -im_{3/2} \hat{Y}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \left[ \frac{3}{4} - (U + \bar{U}) \partial_U \ln Y_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \right]$$

$$\hat{B}_{\alpha\beta} = -im_{3/2} \hat{\mu}_{\alpha\beta} \left[ \frac{3}{2} - i - (U + \bar{U}) \partial_U \ln \mu_{\alpha\beta} \right]$$

# A toy model

Ibañez & Uranga '12

$N_a$	$(n_a^1, m_a^1)$	$(n_a^2, m_a^2)$	$(n_a^3, \bar{m}_a^3)$
$N_a = 6$	(1, 0)	(3, 1)	(3, -1/2)
$N_b = 4$	(1, 1)	(1, 0)	(1, -1/2)
$N_c = 2$	(0, 1)	(0, -1)	(2, 0)
$N_d = 2$	(1, 0)	(3, 1)	(3, -1/2)

Sector	Fields	$U(3)_a \times U(2)_b$	$Q_a$	$Q_b$	$Q_c$	$Q_d$	$Y$
$ab$	$Q_L$	(3, 2)	1	-1	0	0	1/6
$ab'$	$q_L$	2(3, 2)	1	1	0	0	1/6
$ac$	$U_R$	3(3, 1)	-1	0	1	0	-2/3
$ac'$	$D_R$	3(3, 1)	-1	0	-1	0	1/3
$bd$	$L$	(1, 2)	0	-1	0	1	-1/2
$bd'$	$l$	2(1, 2)	0	1	0	1	-1/2
$cd$	$\nu_R$	3(1, 1)	0	0	1	-1	0
$cd'$	$E_R$	3(1, 1)	0	0	-1	-1	-1/2
$bc$	$H_d$	(1, 2)	0	-1	1	0	-1/2
$bc'$	$H_u$	(1, 2)	0	-1	-1	0	1/2

SUSY condition  $\tau_1 = \tau_3 = \frac{1}{2}\tau_3$

More D-branes to cancel RR tadpoles

The hypercharge  $Y = \frac{1}{6}Q_a - \frac{1}{2}Q_c - \frac{1}{2}Q_d$   
gauged  $U_{B-L}(1)$  symmetry

The Kähler metric for the bifundamental chiral matter

$$\tilde{K}_{C_{ab}^{\alpha} \bar{C}_{ab}^{\alpha}} = c_{ab} \left( \frac{1}{64} (S + \bar{S}) (U + \bar{U})^3 \right)^{-1/4} \prod_{i=1}^3 (T^i + \bar{T}^i)^{-1/2}$$

# Soft-terms (U-dominated SUSY breaking)

Universal soft masses for squarks, sleptons  $m_\alpha^2 \sim m_{3/2}^2$

The Yukawa coupling allowed are

$$W = Y_u q_L H_u U_R + Y_d q_L H_d D_R + Y_l l H_d E_R + Y_\nu H_u \nu_R$$

The Yukawa couplings  $Y_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \sim e^{-\frac{A}{2\pi\alpha'}}$  Cremades, Ibañez & Marchesano '08

A-terms involving three bifundamentals (Universal trilinear terms)

$$\hat{A}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = -i\frac{3}{4}m_{3/2}\hat{Y}_{\alpha\beta\gamma}$$

A  $\mu$ -term  $\mu H_u H_d$  is forbidden by  $U_b(1)$  symmetry (but it may be generated instantons) **No bilinear term**



# Conclusions

- 1 Type IIA compactifications provide a nice framework where we can set up all the necessary ingredients (Kähler metrics, moduli stabilisation, Yukawa couplings, ... ) to determine the structure of the soft SUSY breaking terms from string compactifications.
- 2 Here, we focus on structure of the soft SUSY breaking terms involving bifundamental chiral matter and soft gaugino masses.
  - ▶ Universal soft masses for the bifundamental chiral matter  $m_{C_{ab}^\alpha} \sim m_{3/2}$ .
  - ▶ Universal bilinear and trilinear terms for the bifundamental chiral matter.
  - ▶ Gaugino masses depend on the choice of the lattice (universal gaugino masses  $M_a = -im_{3/2}$  only appear for D6-branes with some  $n_a^i = 0$  )

Thank you for your attention