

One-loop corrections to heterotic flux compactifications

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Introduction

Heterotic compactifications with torsion

Supersymmetric heterotic compactifications

- Killing spinor eqn. : $\nabla(\omega - \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{H})\epsilon = 0 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha'^2)$
- Gauge, tangent bundles and 3-form \mathcal{H} tied together by the **Bianchi identity**:

$$d\mathcal{H} = \frac{\alpha'}{4} (\text{tr } R(\nabla_T) \wedge R(\nabla_T) - \text{Tr } \mathcal{F} \wedge \mathcal{F}) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha'^2)$$

Non-Kähler geometry

- ★ *General SUSY compactification*: $\begin{cases} \text{Complex manifold } \mathcal{M} \\ + \text{Holomorphic vector bundle } \mathcal{V} \end{cases}$
- ★ 3-form flux $\mathcal{H} \leftrightarrow$ Non-Kähler manifold $\mathcal{H} = i(\bar{\partial} - \partial)J \neq 0$

Supergravity limit of flux compactifications?

- In Bianchi: connection with torsion, e.g. $\nabla_T = \nabla^+ = \nabla(\omega + \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{H})$

★ If $\mathcal{H} \neq 0$ at leading order \rightarrow no large-volume limit

- \rightarrow 2d worldsheet description more appropriate. Fortunately, no RR fluxes!
- \rightarrow general framework: $(0, 2)$ superconformal theories in 2d

Important questions

- Are compactifications with torsion consistent beyond $\mathcal{O}(\alpha')$?
- What are their quantum symmetries?
- What are their moduli spaces?
- How to compute the four-dimensional effective action?

Gauged linear sigma-model (GLSM) approach

★ Basic idea: *simple* 2d QFT in the same universality class as NLSM (Witten, 96)

UV-free 2d Abelian gauge theory $\xrightarrow{\text{low energy}}$ NLSM on (non)Kähler manifold

Toy example with (2,2) supersymmetry

- $U(1)$ theory with N chiral fields Φ_i of charge $Q = 1$



Classical vacua

- Supersymmetric non-linear sigma-model on $\mathbb{C}P^{N-1}$ (ϕ^i : homogeneous coords)
 ➡ ⚠ non-conformal !

★ Strategy: find "supersymmetry protected" quantities invariant under RG flow

In this talk

- ★ How to extend this formalism to non-Kähler geometries?
- ★ RG-invariant partition function for these theories ➡ SUSY index
- ★ One-loop corrections to 4d effective action

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Gauged linear sigma models basics

(0,2) superspace and superfields in two dimensions

Superspace coordinates $(x^\pm, \theta^+, \bar{\theta}^+)$: $D_+ = \partial_{\theta^+} - i\bar{\theta}^+ \nabla_+$, $\bar{D}_+ = -\partial_{\bar{\theta}^+} + i\theta^+ \nabla_+$

Superfields

- Chiral superfield: $\bar{D}_+ \Phi = 0 \implies \Phi = \phi + \theta^+ \psi_+ + \dots$
- Fermi superfield: $\bar{D}_+ \Gamma = 0 \implies \Gamma = \gamma_- + \theta^+ G + \dots \leftarrow$ auxiliary fields
 \downarrow
- Vector superfields \rightarrow Chiral field-strength: $\Upsilon = \mu_- - i\theta^+ (D - iF_{01}) + \dots$

Lagrangian

$$L = L_{\text{KIN}} - \frac{1}{8e^2} \int d^2\theta^+ \bar{\Upsilon} \Upsilon - \underbrace{\int d\theta^+ \Gamma^a J_a(\Phi_I)}_{\text{Superpotential}} + \underbrace{\frac{t}{4} \int d\theta^+ \Upsilon}_{\text{Fayet-Iliopoulos term}} + h.c.$$

$$= L_{\text{KIN}} + \frac{1}{2e^2} \left(2i\bar{\mu}_- \partial_+ \mu_- + D^2 + F_{01}^2 \right) + G^a J_a(\phi^i) - \gamma_-^a \psi_+^i \partial_i J_a + r D - \frac{\theta}{2\pi} F_{01} + h.c.$$

with $t = ir + \frac{\theta}{2\pi}$

Fermat quartic

- $\mathcal{L}_0 = \underbrace{\Gamma_0}_{q_0=-4} (\Phi_1^4 + \underbrace{\cdots}_{Q_i=1} + \Phi_4^4)$

- ★ F-term: $\phi_1^4 + \cdots + \phi_4^4 = 0$ in \mathbb{CP}^3

➔ Fermat quartic

- Gauge bundle: $\mathcal{L}_G = \underbrace{\Phi_0}_{Q_0 < 0} \underbrace{\Gamma^m}_{q_m} J_m(\Phi_I)$

- ★ D-term: $\sum_i |\phi_i|^2 = r + 4|\phi_0|^2$

- ★ In "Calabi-Yau regime" $r \gg 1$: $\langle \phi_0 \rangle = 0$

- ➔ \mathbb{CP}^3 of size r

- ➔ Yukawa couplings $J_m(\phi_I) \gamma_-^m \psi_+^0$

- ★ Massless left-moving fermions: sections of the holomorphic vector bundle \mathcal{V}

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{V} \longrightarrow \bigoplus \mathcal{O}(q_m) \xrightarrow{\otimes J_m} \mathcal{O}(-Q_0) \longrightarrow 0$$

Anomalies

- Gauge anomaly: $\delta \Xi L_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\mathfrak{A}}{8} \int d\theta^+ \Xi \Upsilon + \text{c.c.}$, with $\mathfrak{A} = Q_i Q^i - q_n q^n$
- Consistent models need also 2 non-anomalous global symmetries:
 - ★ Right-moving $U(1)_R$ → IR $\mathcal{N} = 2$ superconformal algebra
 - ★ Left-moving $U(1)_L$ → GSO projection

Towards GLSM with torsion

- Interpretation of gauge anomaly: $\mathfrak{A} \sim \text{ch}_2(T_{\mathcal{M}}) - \text{ch}_2(\mathcal{V})$
- Geometry of Fayet-Iliopoulos terms $\mathfrak{L}_{\text{FI}} = \sum_a t_a \underbrace{\Upsilon^a}_{[h^a] \in H^{(1,1)}(\mathcal{M})}$
 - Complexified Kähler class $[J] = \sum_a t_a [h^a]$ ($\text{Re } J \leftrightarrow B\text{-field}$)
- Idea: $t_a \rightarrow t_a(\Phi_i)$ gives $dJ \neq 0$ → non-zero torsion \mathcal{H}

GLSMs with torsion

Introducing the torsion multiplet

- ★ Strategy: cancel gauge anomaly of $K3$ GLSM with axion fields (*Adams et al. 06*)
- ★ Torsion chiral multiplet $\Theta = (\vartheta, \chi)$
- ★ ϑ : coordinate on T^2 with moduli (T, U) \rightarrow metric $ds^2 = \frac{U_2}{T_2} |dx^1 + T dx^2|^2$
- ★ Gauge transformation: $\Theta \xrightarrow{\Xi} \Theta - M \Xi$ with $M \in \mathbb{Z} + T\mathbb{Z}$

Axial coupling

- ★ Linear field-dependent Fayet Iliopoulos term (gauge-variant)

$$L = -\bar{M} \frac{U_2}{2T_2} \int d\theta^+ \Theta \Upsilon + h.c. \supset \bar{M} \frac{U_2}{2T_2} \vartheta F_{01}$$

- ★ Cancels the gauge anomaly if $\mathfrak{A} + \frac{2U_2}{T_2} |M|^2 = 0$ ★

Important consistency condition (single-valuedness of action/duality covariance):

Moduli of T^2 such that the free boson ϑ defines a rational conformal field theory
(DI, 13)

Non-Kähler Geometry: Fu-Yau manifolds

- ★ At low energies: flows to a NLSM on a class of non-Kähler manifolds
- ★ Principal T^2 bundles over a $K3$ surface \mathcal{S} : (Dasgupta et al., 99, Fu and Yau 2006)

$$T^2 \hookrightarrow \mathcal{M}_6 \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathcal{S}$$



★ Metric:
$$ds^2 = e^{2A(y)} ds^2(\mathcal{S}) + \frac{U_2}{T_2} |dx_1 + T dx_2 + \pi^* \alpha|^2$$

- $d\alpha = \omega$ anti-self dual $(1, 1)$ form, $\omega = \omega_1 + T\omega_2$ with $\frac{1}{2\pi}\omega_i \in H^2(\mathcal{S}, \mathbb{Z})$
- ★ Gauge bundle \mathcal{V} : Hermitian-Yang-Mills connection over \mathcal{S} :

$$F^{0,2} = F^{2,0} = 0, \quad J \wedge F = 0$$

- ★ Bianchi identity: topological condition

$$\int_{\mathcal{S}} \left(\frac{U_2}{T_2} \omega \wedge \star \bar{\omega} - \text{ch}_2(\mathcal{V}) + \text{ch}_2(T\mathcal{M}) \right) = 0 \leftrightarrow \text{anomaly condition in GLSM} \star$$

- Class of GLSMs with torsion $\xrightarrow{\text{low energy}}$ Conformal NLSM on Fu-Yau manifolds
- Most generic compactifications of heterotic strings with $\mathcal{N} = 2$ SUSY in 4d
 - ➔ A subset of those are the well-studied $K3 \times T^2$ compactifications
- Many far-reaching insights made for $K3 \times T^2$ compactifications including:
 - ★ *Duality*: Heterotic on $K3 \times T^2 \leftrightarrow$ IIA on elliptically fibered Calabi-Yau 3-fold
 - ★ *Mathieu moonshine*: hidden symmetry (Mathieu group M_{24}) of NLSMs on $K3$
 - ➔ due to $\mathcal{N} = 2$ SUSY constraints, many *exact* statements possible.
- General understanding should include Fu-Yau manifolds (generic case)

Supersymmetric index

Supersymmetric partition function

- ★ Partition function of (2, 2) superconformal NLSM on Calabi-Yau: *elliptic genus*


$$Z_E(q, y) = \text{Tr}_P \left(q^\Delta \bar{q}^{\bar{\Delta}} (-1)^F e^{2i\pi y J_0^R} \right),$$

- with J_0^R zero-mode of the left-moving R-current in superconformal algebra
→ vanishes for $K3 \times T^2$ because of T^2 fermionic zero-modes

- ★ (0, 2) NLSM on Fu-Yau → zero-modes $(\chi_0, \bar{\chi}_0)$ from torsion multiplet

- ★ Assuming there exists a left current J^L (and right-moving \bar{J}^R), define
(DI & Sarkis, 15)

$$Z_{FY}(q, \bar{q}, y) = \text{Tr}_P \left(q^\Delta \bar{q}^{\bar{\Delta}} (-1)^F e^{2i\pi y J_0^L} \bar{J}_0^R \right),$$

- ★ We have $\bar{J}^R = \bar{\chi}\chi +$ 
terms with no χ zero-modes

- As we will argue, can be computed exactly in the GLSM thanks to SUSY !

Path integral formulation

★ On a two-torus of complex structure τ ($q = \exp 2i\pi\tau$) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{\text{FY}}(\tau, \bar{\tau}, y) = & \int \mathcal{D}a_z \mathcal{D}a_{\bar{z}} \mathcal{D}\mu \mathcal{D}\bar{\mu} \mathcal{D}D e^{-\frac{1}{e^2} S_{\text{vector}}[a, \mu, D] - t S_{\text{FI}}(a, D)} \times \\ & \times \int \mathcal{D}\phi_i \mathcal{D}\bar{\phi}_i \mathcal{D}\psi_i \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi}_i e^{-\frac{1}{g^2} S_{\text{chiral}}[\phi_i, \psi_i, a, D, a_L]} \times \\ & \times \int \mathcal{D}\gamma_a \mathcal{D}\bar{\gamma}_a \mathcal{D}G_a \mathcal{D}\bar{G}_a e^{-\frac{1}{f^2} S_{\text{fermi}}[\gamma_a, G_a, a, a_L] - S_J[\gamma_a, G_a, \phi_i, \psi_i]} \times \\ & \times \int \mathcal{D}\vartheta \mathcal{D}\bar{\vartheta} \mathcal{D}\chi \mathcal{D}\bar{\chi} e^{-S_{\text{torsion}}[\vartheta, \chi, a, a_L]} \int \frac{d^2z}{2\tau_2} \bar{\chi}\chi, \end{aligned}$$

with background gauge field for the $U(1)_L$ global symmetry

$$a_L = \frac{\pi y}{2i\tau_2} (dz - d\bar{z})$$

★ Interacting theory with coupling constants $1/e^2$, t , $1/f^2$, $1/g^2$

Supersymmetric localization

Supersymmetric localization I: the idea

- Choose a supercharge Q of a supersymmetric QFT
 ➔ $Q S[\Phi] = 0$ and Q -invariant measure
- Aim : compute $\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle$ with $Q\mathcal{O} = 0$
- Find functional $P[\Phi]$ such that $Q P|_{bos}$ positive definite
- Deformed path integral

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_\ell = \int \mathcal{D}\Phi \mathcal{O}(\Phi) e^{-S[\Phi] - \ell Q P}$$

- ★ As $\frac{\partial}{\partial \ell} \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_\ell = - \int Q (\mathcal{D}\Phi \mathcal{O}(\Phi) e^{-S[\Phi] - \ell Q P} P) = 0$
 ➔ compute in the $\ell \rightarrow \infty$ limit

- Exact result: one-loop fluctuations around the saddle points $Q P(\Phi_0) = 0$

$$Z = \int_{\Phi_0, QP(\Phi_0)=0} d\Phi_0 e^{-S[\Phi_0]} \mathcal{O}_{class}[\Phi_0] Z_{one-loop}$$

Supersymmetric localization II: why we can

★ In the (0, 2) GLSM \rightarrow natural choice of supercharge $Q = Q_+ + \bar{Q}_+$

Good news

- Whole vector, chiral and fermi multiplets actions are Q -exact
- $1/e^2 \rightarrow \infty$ limit for the gauge fields \rightarrow keep only gauge holonomies ($a_{z\bar{z}} = 0$)
- $1/f^2, 1/g^2 \rightarrow \infty$ limit \rightarrow superpotential vanishes

Bad news ?

- 1 $\mathcal{O} = \int \frac{d^2z}{2\tau_2} \bar{\chi}\chi$ not Q -invariant
- 2 Torsion multiplet action not gauge-invariant \rightarrow not Q -invariant
- 3 Gauge anomaly \rightarrow measure $\mathcal{D}\Phi_i \mathcal{D}\Gamma_a$ not Q -invariant

1 $Q\mathcal{O}$ doesn't contain enough zero-modes ($\chi_0, \bar{\chi}_0$) to contribute ✓

2 } In anomaly-free models $Q(\mathcal{D}\Phi_i \mathcal{D}\Gamma_a e^{-S_{\text{torsion}}}) = 0$ ✓
3 }

Supersymmetric localization III: one-loop determinants

Localisation locus

- $e \rightarrow 0$ limit \rightarrow flat connections on worldsheet torus : $a = \frac{\pi\bar{u}}{2i\tau_2} dz - \frac{\pi u}{2i\tau_2} d\bar{z}$
- $f, g \rightarrow 0$ limit \rightarrow free chiral and Fermi multiplets
- Zero modes (generically) : aux. field D_0 , gaugino zero-modes $\lambda_0, \bar{\lambda}_0$

One-loop determinants

- ambiguities in chiral determinant \rightarrow choice consistent with torsion multiplet
Det $\nabla(u) = e^{\frac{\pi}{\tau_2}(u^2 - u\bar{u})} \vartheta_1(\tau|u)$
 \rightarrow holomorphic section of holomorphic line bundle over space of gauge connections
(Witten, 96)
- Chiral : $Z_\Phi = e^{-\frac{\pi}{\tau_2}(v^2 - v\bar{v})} \frac{i\eta(\tau)}{\vartheta_1(\tau|v)}$, $v = Q_i u + q_i^L y$
- Fermi : $Z_\Gamma = e^{\frac{\pi}{\tau_2}(v^2 - v\bar{v})} \frac{\vartheta_1(\tau|v)}{i\eta(\tau)}$
- $U(1)$ vector : $Z_A(\tau, y) = -2i\pi\eta(\tau)^2 du$

Supersymmetric localization IV: the short story

- Torsion multiplet action not \mathcal{Q} -exact $\rightarrow Z_{\text{FY}}$ depends on torus moduli T, U
- Torsion multiplet maps to a "rational" two-torus \rightarrow defined by two isomorphic rank two even lattices

$$\Gamma_L = \Gamma^{2,2}(T, U) \cap \mathbb{R}^{2,0}, \quad \Gamma_R = \Gamma^{2,2}(T, U) \cap \mathbb{R}^{0,2}$$

- Integral over gauge holonomies $u_\ell \in \mathbb{C}/(\mathbb{Z} + \tau\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow$ poles in $Z_{\text{one-loop}}$ due to "accidental" bosonic zero modes
- Turn $\int d^2 u_\ell$ into contour integral around the poles
 \rightarrow Jeffrey-Kirwan residues *(Benini et al. 2013)*

★ $Z_{\text{FY}}(\tau, \bar{\tau}, y)$ has an intrinsic mathematical definition, as an **non-holomorphic elliptic genus** that I will use to present the result

Mathematical formulation

★(0, 2) Non-linear sigma-model on Fu-Yau manifold characterized by

- Holomorphic tangent bundle $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}$ over the base, with $c_1(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}) = 0$
→ splitting principle $c(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}) = \prod_{i=1}^2(1 + \nu_i)$
- A rank r holomorphic vector bundle \mathcal{V} over \mathcal{S} , with $c_1(\mathcal{V}) = 0$
→ splitting principle $c(\mathcal{V}) = \prod_{a=1}^r(1 + \xi_a)$
- A "rational" Narain lattice in $\mathbb{R}^{2,2}$ defined by a pair of isomorphic rank two lattices Γ_L, Γ_R and a gluing map $\varphi : \Gamma_L^*/\Gamma_L \rightarrow \Gamma_R^*/\Gamma_R$
- A pair of anti-self-dual (1,1)-forms ω_1 and ω_2 in $H^2(\mathcal{S}, \mathbb{Z})$ characterizing the torus bundle

⚠ Constraint $\frac{U_2}{T_2} \omega \wedge \star \bar{\omega} - \text{ch}_2(\mathcal{V}) + \text{ch}_2(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}) = 0$ in cohomology

Non-holomorphic elliptic genus

$$Z_{\text{FY}}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{V}, \omega | \tau, \bar{\tau}, y) = \frac{1}{\eta(\tau)^2} \int_S \prod_{a=1}^r \frac{i\theta_1(\tau | \frac{\xi_a}{2i\pi} - y)}{\eta(\tau)} \prod_{i=1}^2 \frac{\eta(\tau)\nu_i}{i\theta_1(\tau | \frac{\nu_i}{2i\pi})} \times \\ \times \sum_{\mu \in \Gamma_L^*/\Gamma_L} \Theta_{\mu}^{\Gamma_L} \left(\tau \middle| \frac{p_{\omega}}{2i\pi} \right) \Theta_{\varphi(\mu)}^{\Gamma_R} \left(-\bar{\tau} \middle| 0 \right)$$

Notations

- $\eta(\tau)$: Dedekind eta-function
- $\theta_1(\tau|y)$: Jacobi theta-function
- Θ_{μ}^{Γ} : theta-function on lattice $\Gamma \rightarrow \Theta_{\mu}^{\Gamma}(\tau|\lambda) = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma + \mu} q^{\frac{1}{2}\langle \gamma, \gamma \rangle_{\Gamma}} e^{2i\pi \langle \gamma, \lambda \rangle_{\Gamma}}$
- p_{ω} : two-dimensional vector of two-forms with $\langle p_{\omega}, p_{\omega} \rangle_{\Gamma_L} = -\frac{2U_2}{T_2} \omega \wedge \star \bar{\omega}$
 \rightarrow belongs to formal extension of Γ_L over $H^2(\mathcal{S}, \mathbb{Z}) \oplus H^2(\mathcal{S}, \mathbb{Z})$

★ Coincides with path integral computation (checked in simple examples)

In physics

- Exact path-integral computation \rightarrow valid for the superconformal non-linear sigma-model emerging in the IR
- Seed for computing the **one-loop corrections to the 4d effective action**
- Allows for **quantitative tests** of non-perturbative Heterotic/type II duality

In mathematics: generalized elliptic genus when $ch_2(V) \neq ch_2(T_S)$

- $\bar{\eta}^{-2} Z_{\text{FY}}(\tau, \bar{\tau}, y)$ transforms as weak Jacobi form of weight 0 and index $\frac{r}{2}$

$$\bar{\eta}\left(\frac{a\bar{\tau}+b}{c\bar{\tau}+d}\right)^{-2} Z_{\text{FY}}\left(\frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}, \frac{a\bar{\tau}+b}{c\bar{\tau}+d}, \frac{y}{c\tau+d}\right) = e^{\frac{i\pi r c y^2}{c\tau+d}} \bar{\eta}(\bar{\tau})^{-2} Z_{\text{FY}}(\tau, \bar{\tau}, y) \quad \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$$

- Terms with $p_L = 0 \rightarrow$ generating function for indices of Dirac operators in representations given by the formal power series
$$\mathbb{V} = 1 - e^{-2i\pi y} V^* + q(\mathcal{T}_S + \mathcal{T}_S^* - e^{2i\pi y} V - e^{-2i\pi y} V^*) + \dots$$
- In general: Dirac operator with non-zero 'KK momentum' along T^2 fiber?

Adding line bundles

General SUSY gauge bundles in FY compactifications

- Pullback of an HYM gauge bundle over the base S :

$$F^{(2,0)} = F^{(0,2)} = 0 \text{ and } J \wedge F = 0$$

- Abelian bundles over the total space (would be Wilson lines for $K3 \times T^2$)

$$A = \mathfrak{T}^a \text{Re} (\bar{V}_a \iota) \text{ with } \iota = dx_1 + T dx_2 + \pi^* \alpha, \text{ globally defined on } \mathcal{M}_6$$

Abelian bundles in the GLSM

- Neutral Fermi multiplets $(\gamma_{-,a}, G_a) \rightarrow$ bosonize into chiral multiplets $B_a = (b_a, \psi_{-,a}, \psi_{+,a})$ with $\text{Im}(b_a)$ at fermionic radius
- Consider a larger torus T^{2+n} with $V_a \leftrightarrow$ off-diagonal terms in the metric
- No single-valuedness constr. \rightarrow vector moduli space (S, V_a) in $\mathcal{N} = 2$ SUGRA

Contribution to the index

- Kill superfluous fermionic zero-modes $\rightarrow (J_0)^{16}$ insertion in the path integral
- SUSY localization argument still holds
- Factor out non-compact & right-moving compact bosons in B_a

Result for the index with most general gauge bundle

$$Z_{\text{FY}}(X, \mathcal{V}, \omega | \tau, \bar{\tau}, z) = \int_S \prod_{a=1}^r \frac{i\theta_1\left(\tau \left| \frac{\xi_a}{2i\pi} - z \right.\right)}{\eta(\tau)} \prod_{i=1}^2 \frac{\eta(\tau) \nu_i}{i\theta_1\left(\tau \left| \frac{\nu_i}{2i\pi} \right.\right)} \\ \sum_{(\rho_L, \rho_R) \in \Gamma_{10,2}} \exp\left(-\langle \rho_\omega, \rho_L \rangle \Big|_{V_a=0}\right) \times \frac{q^{\frac{1}{4}|\rho_L|^2}}{\eta(\tau)^{18}} \frac{\bar{q}^{\frac{1}{4}|\rho_R|^2}}{\bar{\eta}(\bar{\tau})^2}$$

With standard expressions for (10, 2) lattice (however T, U quantized here):

$$\frac{1}{4}|\rho_R|^2 = \frac{1}{4(T_2 U_2 - \sum_a (V_2^a)^2)} \left| -n_1 T + n_2 + w_1 U + w_2 \left(T U - \sum_a (V^a)^2 \right) + N_a V^a \right|^2, \\ \frac{1}{4}|\rho_L|^2 = \frac{1}{4}|\rho_R|^2 + n_1 w_1 + n_2 w_2 + \frac{1}{4} N_a N^a$$

Threshold corrections

Threshold corrections: generalities

One-loop corrections to the gauge couplings : $G = \prod_a G_a$

$$\frac{4\pi^2}{g_a^2(\mu^2)^2} \Big|_{\text{one-loop}} = k_a \text{Im}(S) + \underbrace{\frac{b_a}{4} \log M_s^2 / \mu^2}_{\text{one-loop } \beta\text{-fct}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{4} \Delta_a(M, \bar{M})}_{\text{moduli dependence}} + \text{universal term}$$

★ $\mathcal{N} = 2$, $d = 4$ heterotic compactification:

$$\frac{b_a}{4} \log \frac{M_s^2}{\mu^2} + \frac{1}{4} \Delta_a(M, \bar{M}) = \frac{i}{4} \int_{\mathcal{F}} \frac{d^2\tau}{\tau_2} \frac{1}{\eta^2} \text{Tr}_{\bar{R}} \left[\left(Q_a^2 - \frac{k_a}{2\pi\tau_2} \right) q^{L_0 - \frac{c}{24}} \bar{q}^{\bar{L}_0 - \frac{\bar{c}}{24}} e^{i\pi \bar{J}_0^R} \bar{J}_0^R \right]$$

➔ modified SUSY index with insertion of Casimir Q_a^2 for G_a factor

Heterotic/type II duality

- Heterotic threshold corrections ➔ one-loop prepotential for vector multiplets

$$F_H = -\gamma_{ij} S V^i V^j + F_H^{1\text{-loop}}(V^i) + \dots$$

- CY₃ Type IIA dual: K3 fibration with a compatible T^2 fibration
➔ perturbative het. limit \leftrightarrow large \mathbb{P}^1 limit in IIA
- Expansion of CY₃ vector multiplet prepotential ➔ qualitative duality check

Threshold corrections for FY compactifications

- ★ Simplify geometric formulation of the index using Gritsenko's formula

$$\theta_1(\tau|z + \xi) = \exp \left\{ -\frac{\pi^2}{6} E_2(\tau) \xi^2 + \frac{\theta'_1(\tau|z)}{\theta_1(\tau|z)} \xi - \sum_{\ell \geq 2} \wp^{(\ell-2)}(\tau, z) \frac{\xi^\ell}{\ell!} \right\} \theta_1(\tau|z), \quad \wp^{(\ell)} := \frac{\partial^\ell}{\partial z^\ell} \wp$$

- ★ Assume rank two bundle V over K3 in E_8 with $\int_S \text{ch}_2(V) = -n$

Correction to "hidden" E_8 gauge coupling

$$\Delta_{E_8} = \int_{\mathcal{F}} \frac{d^2\tau}{\tau_2} \frac{\hat{E}_2 E_4 - E_6}{24\Delta} \sum_{p_L, p_R} q^{\frac{1}{2}p_L^2} \bar{q}^{\frac{1}{2}p_R^2} \left\{ -\frac{n}{12} E_6 + \frac{n-24}{12} \hat{E}_2 E_6 - f(p_L|\omega) E_4 \right\}$$

with

$$f(p_L|\omega) := \int_S \langle p_L, p_\omega \rangle_{\Gamma_L}^2 - \frac{1}{4\pi\tau_2} \langle p_\omega, p_\omega \rangle_{\Gamma_L}$$

- ➔ Each term separately modular invariant

- ★ Likewise, one-loop corrections for other gauge factors and gravitational thresholds

➔ Computation of the modular integral over \mathcal{F} ?

Modular integral and final result

Modular integral

- Expand (weakly almost holomorphic) modular forms in Δ_{E_8} into Niebur-Poincaré series *(Angelantonj, Florakis, Pioline 12)*

$$\mathcal{F}(s, w, z) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma_\infty \setminus \Gamma} \mathcal{M}_s(-\Im z) e^{-2i\pi \Re z} \Big|_w \gamma$$

- Unfold the modular integral against the $\mathcal{F}(s, w, z)$ (rather than unfolding against the Narain lattice)

→ appropriate here because momentum-dependent insertion $f(p_L | \omega)$

Final result for E_8 threshold

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{E_8} = \sum_{\text{BPS}} \left\{ 1 + \frac{n-24}{6p_L^2} + (p_L^2/2 - 1) \log(1 - 2/p_L^2) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{4} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3p_L^2} - \frac{1}{p_L^2} + (p_L^2/2 - 1) \log(1 - 2/p_L^2) \right) \int_S \langle p_L, p_\omega \rangle^2 \right. \\ \left. + 2(n+12) \log 4\pi e^{-\gamma} T_2 U_2 |\eta(U)\eta(T)|^4 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Conclusions

What has been understood

- Non-Kähler manifolds \leftrightarrow gauge-variant couplings
- GLSMs for Fu-Yau manifolds \leftrightarrow generic $\mathcal{N} = 2$ heterotic vacua
- Supersymmetric localization \rightarrow exact supersymmetric partition function
- Defines a modified non-holomorphic elliptic genus, interesting on its own right
- Computation of threshold corrections for these flux compactifications

Ongoing work and directions for future studies

- Heterotic/type II duality beyond $K3 \times T^2$ *(Melnikov, Minasian, Theisen 14)*
- Thresholds: instanton corrections from Fourier expansion (T^2 fiber is not a 2-cycle in Fu-Yau geometries!)
- Generalization of $K3 \times T^2$ Mathieu moonshine to FY?
- More general non-Kähler compactifications