



# De Sitter vacua in type IIB string theory/ F-theory by Kähler uplifting

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# Motivation: Construct an explicit de Sitter vacuum in type IIB / F-theory

## Cosmology:

- ▶ Acceleration of the universe on large scales is observed.
- ▶ Simplest explanation: dS space with small cosmological constant.

## The setup we use:

- ▶ Non-perturbative effects  $W = A_i e^{-a T_i}$ ,  $a_i = 2\pi/N_i$   
[Kachru, Kallosh, Linde, Trivedi '03]
- ▶ Leading  $\alpha'$ -corr. to the Kähler pot.  $K = -2 \ln(\hat{\mathcal{V}}(T_i) + \alpha'^3 \hat{\xi}(S))$   
[Becker, Becker, Haack, Louis '02]
- ▶ Quantized RR and NS-NS fluxes  $\int F_3, H_3 \in \mathbb{Z}$   
[Giddings, Kachru, Polchinski '01]

# Uplifting to de Sitter

$W_0 \ll 1$ ,  $\alpha'$ -correction negligible [KKLT '03]



**KKLT**

- ▶  $\bar{D}3$  branes
- ▶ F-terms from matter fields [Lebedev, Nilles, Ratz'06]
- ▶ F-terms from metastable vacua in gauge theories [Intriligator, Seiberg, Shih'07]

$W_0 \neq 0$ ,  $\alpha'$ -correction

[Balasubramanian, Berglund '05]

$\hat{V} \gg \xi$   
 $W_0$  arbitrary

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 $W_0 \sim \mathcal{O}(1 - 100)$

**LVS** [Balasubramanian, Berglund, Conlon, Quevedo '05]

**Kähler uplifting** [Westphal '06]

- ▶  $\bar{D}3$  branes
- ▶ D-terms [Burgess, Kallosh, Quevedo'03, Haack, Krefl, Lüst, Van Proyen, Zagermann'06]
- ▶ F-terms from dilaton dep. non-pert. effects [Cicoli, Maharana, Quevedo, Burgess'12]
- ▶ F-terms from Kähler moduli +  $\alpha'$ -correction sufficient for dS

## Bottom up SUGRA analysis: Kähler uplifting

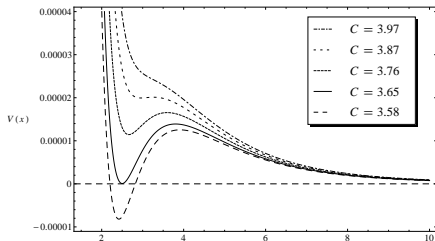
If a 3-fold is 'swiss-cheese', i.e.  $\hat{V}(T_i) = \gamma_1 \text{Re}(T_1)^{3/2} - \sum_{i=2}^{h^{1,1}} \gamma_i \text{Re}(T_i)^{3/2}$

one can perform a complete perturbative moduli stabilization in the limit

- ▶  $\hat{V} \gg \hat{\xi} \Rightarrow$  Large but not LARGE Volume  $\hat{V}$ .
- ▶  $|W_0| \gg Ae^{-at} \Rightarrow$  Non-perturbative effects are small.
- ▶  $D_i W(S, U_j) \simeq 0 \Rightarrow$  Supersymmetric stabilization to 0-th order.

**Sufficient for a de Sitter vacuum:** [MR, Westphal '11]

- ▶  $3.65 < \frac{27|W_0|\hat{\xi}a^{3/2}}{64\sqrt{2}\gamma A} < 3.89$ .
- ▶  $V_{U_i U_j}^{(c.s.)} > 0$  to 0-th order.
- ▶  $\hat{V} \simeq \gamma N_1^{3/2} \Rightarrow$  Need  $N_1 \gtrsim 30$ .



## Maximal gauge group rank in the landscape (I)

'Mini' landscape: 97,036 models of the F-theory type: [Kreuzer,Skarke '00]

- ▶ Ambient toric variety described by (resolution of) weight system

$$\mathbb{C}P_{n_1 n_2 n_3 n_4 n_\xi} : 0 < n_1 \leq n_2 \leq n_3 \leq n_4 < n_\xi = \sum_i^4 n_i$$

- ▶ CY hypersurface  $\xi^2 = P_{(2n_\xi, \dots)} = 0$ .

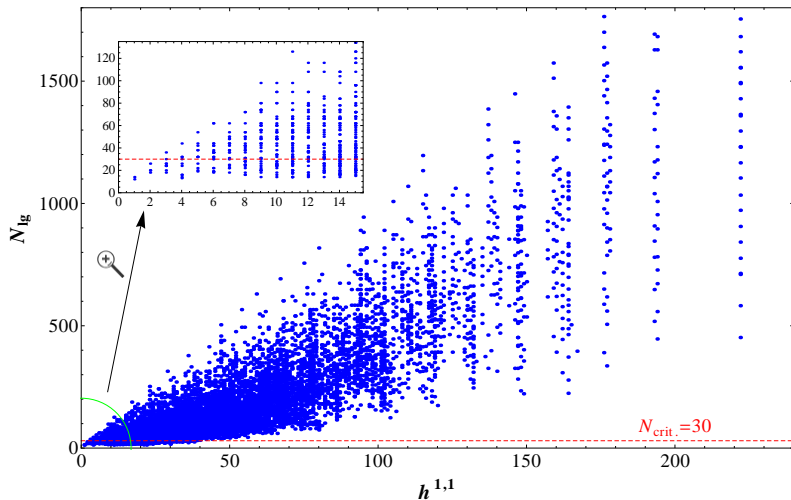
### D7 branes:

- ▶  $[D7] = -8[O7] = -8(n_\xi, \dots)$
- ▶ More specifically for  $\eta \in \bar{K}^4$ ,  $\chi \in \bar{K}^6$ : [Collinucci,Denef,Esole'09, Braun,Hebecker,Triendl'08, Sen'96]

$$[D7] : 0 = \eta^2 - \xi^2 \chi = u_1^{2N_1} \left( \tilde{\eta}_{(4n_\xi - n_1 N_1, \dots)}^2 - \xi^2 \tilde{\chi}_{(6n_\xi - 2n_1 N_1, \dots)} \right)$$

- ▶  $\Rightarrow$  Maximal gauge group  $Sp(N_1)$  with rank  $N_1 < N_{lg} \equiv 3 \frac{n_\xi}{n_1}$ .

## Maximal gauge group rank in the landscape (II)



**$\Rightarrow N_{Ig} > 30$  quiet natural for larger  $h^{1,1}$ !**

## Constraints on a consistent model

- ▶ Contribution of gaugino condensation to the superpotential,  $A \neq 0$ :
  - ▶ Rigid divisor? [Witten'96]
  - ▶ Can it be 'rigidified' by gauge flux  $\mathcal{F}$ ? [Martucci'06, Bianchi, Collinucci, Martucci'11]
- ▶ Swiss-cheese?
- ▶ Flux: Freed-Witten anomalies? [Minasian, Moore'96, Freed, Witten'97]
- ▶  $N_1 \gg 1$  enforces factorization of D7 brane equation in coordinates  $u_i \neq u_1$  [Cicoli, Mayrhofer, Valandro'11]?
- ▶ Stabilization inside the Kähler cone?
- ▶ Chiral matter at brane intersections that might destroy  $A \neq 0$  [Blumenhagen, Moster, Plauschinn'08]?
- ▶ D3 tadpole:  $Q^{D7\text{-stacks}} + Q^{O7} = Q^{\mathcal{F}} + Q^{RR, NS-NS} + Q^{D3\text{-branes}} ?$
- ▶ Complex structure moduli stabilized such that sufficient condition for de Sitter is fulfilled:  $W_0 \cdot \text{Re}(S)^{3/2}$  in right interval?

## Explicit dS example: $\mathbb{CP}_{11169}$

Explicit AdS vacuum (KKLT) has been constructed [Denef,Douglas,Florea '04]

### Some geometric properties:

▶ Calabi-Yau:  $0 = \xi^2 = P_{18,4}(u_i)$  in

$u_1$	$u_2$	$u_3$	$u_4$	$u_5$	$\xi$
1	1	1	6	0	9
0	0	0	1	1	2

▶  $h^{1,1} = 2, h^{2,1} = 272$

▶ Divisors:

	$h^{0,0}$	$h^{1,0}$	$h^{2,0}$	$h^{1,1}$	$\chi_0$
$D_1$	1	0	2	30	3
$D_5$	1	0	0	1	1

▶  $\hat{\mathcal{V}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \left( \hat{\mathcal{V}}_1 + \frac{1}{3} \hat{\mathcal{V}}_5 \right)^{3/2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{9} \hat{\mathcal{V}}_5^{3/2} \Rightarrow$  'Approx. swiss-chesse'

▶ Complex structure moduli:  $\mathbb{Z}_6 \times \mathbb{Z}_{18}$  modding:  $h_{\text{inv.}}^{2,1} = 2$ .  
with known prepotential. [Greene,Plesser'89], [Candelas,Font,Katz,Morrison'94]



## A consistent dS model on $\mathbb{CP}_{11169}$ : Kähler moduli

- ▶ Brane config. ( $N_{lg} = 27$ ):  $Sp(24)$  on  $D_1$  forces  $SO(24)$  on  $D_5$ .
- ▶  $D_5$  rigid,  $D_1$  can be 'rigidified' by gauge flux  $\Rightarrow Sp(24) \rightarrow SU(24)$ .
- ▶ Brane intersections: Switch on gauge flux  $F_{1/5} + c_1(D_{1/5})/2$  to cancel Freed-Witten anomalies and tune  $F_1, F_5$  and  $B$  such that  $\mathcal{F}_{1/5} = F_{1/5} - B$  is 'trivial'  $\Rightarrow$  No chiral matter or D-terms.
- ▶ D3 tadpole:  $Q^{RR, NS-NS} + Q^{D3\text{-branes}} = 114$ .

$$\Rightarrow W = W_0 + A e^{-2\pi/24 T_1} + B e^{-2\pi/22 T_2}, A, B \neq 0.$$

### Kähler uplifting:

- ▶ If in the complex structure sector:

$$\langle W_0 \rangle = 0.812, \quad \langle S \rangle = 6.99, \quad \langle A \rangle = 1.11, \quad \langle B \rangle = 1.00.$$

- ▶ **stable dS vacuum** with  $\langle T_1 \rangle = 10.76$ ,  $\langle T_2 \rangle = 12.15$  and  $\hat{V} = 52$ .

## A consistent dS model on $\mathbb{CP}_{11169}$ : Complex structure

- ▶ Stabilizing the  $h_{\text{inv.}}^{2,1} = 2$  moduli effectively fixes all other C.S. moduli at  $D_i W = 0$  since  $V$  positive definite up to corrections  $\mathcal{O}(\hat{\xi}/\hat{V})$  [Giryavets, Kachru, Tripathy, Trivedi '03]

**Strategy to find  $\langle W_0 \rangle$ ,  $\langle S \rangle$  suitable for Kähler uplifting:** [DDF'04]

- ▶ Solve  $(W_0, D_S W_0, D_{U_1} W_0, D_{U_2} W_0) = 0$ , for the flux quanta  $f_1, \dots, f_6, h_1, \dots, h_6$
- ▶ Include instanton corrections in the prepotential: shifts in  $\langle W_0 \rangle$ ,  $\langle S \rangle$ ,  $\langle U_1 \rangle$  and  $\langle U_2 \rangle$

**A solution:**

$$(f, h) = (-16, 0, 0, 0, -4, -2; 0, 0, 2, -8, -3, 0), \quad Q^{RR, NS-NS} = 66,$$

$$\langle S \rangle = 6.99, \quad \langle U_1 \rangle = 1.01, \quad \langle U_2 \rangle = 0.967, \quad \langle W_0 \rangle = 0.812,$$

$$m_{U_1, U_2, S}^2 \sim 10^{-5} - 10^{-1}, \quad m_{T_1, T_2}^2, m_{3/2}^2 \sim 10^{-8} - 10^{-7}.$$

# Conclusions & Outlook

## Conclusions:

- ▶ Sufficient condition for de Sitter with all moduli stabilized.
- ▶ Well controlled spontaneous SUSY breaking by F-Terms only.
- ▶ Large gauge groups are quite natural for many Kähler moduli.
- ▶ To meet all constraints of an explicit construction is challenging, toric geometry provides means for explicit calculations.
- ▶ Explicit consistent model has been constructed on  $\mathbb{C}P_{11169}$ . Only the dependence of the 1-loop determinant  $A$  remains implicit but negligible due to mass scale separation.

## Outlook:

- ▶ Statistics of de Sitter vacua.