

# Generalized $N = 1$ orientifold compactifications

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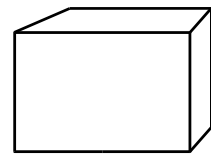
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## Introduction and Motivation

### ⇒ Phenomenology

String Theory  $\longrightarrow$  Four-dimensional  $N = 1$  Supergravity



Non-compact  
visible space

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Internal **compact** six-manifold

- Address moduli problem: generate potential for massless scalar fields due to **background fluxes** and **non-Calabi-Yau geometries**
- Explore generic features of  $N = 1$  compactifications – Landscape of String vacua?
- Complete dualities in the presence of background flux
- Four-dimensional gauge theory and specific models

⇒ A realization in Type II String theory:

- minimal supersymmetry: background  $M_{1,3} \times \mathcal{M}_6$

$\mathcal{M}_6$  – special manifold

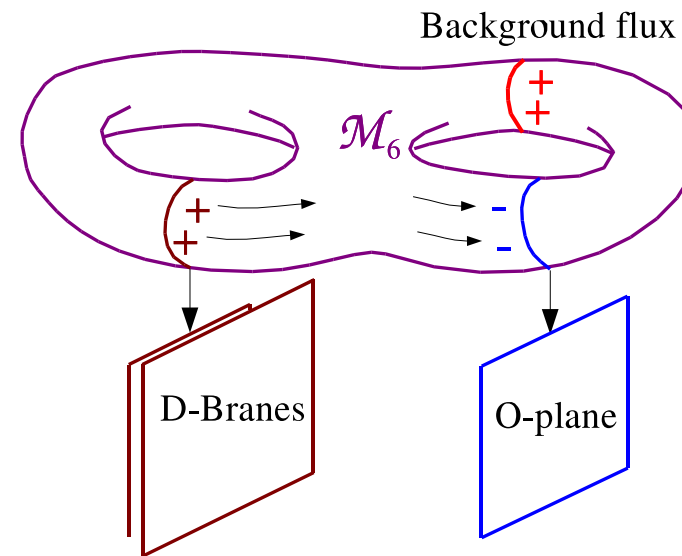
- moduli stabilization:

background fluxes

non-Calabi-Yau geometry

- non-Abelian gauge groups:  
space-time filling D-branes

⇒ consistency: orientifold planes



## Outline of the Talk

- Conditions on supersymmetric theories and vacua
- Some basics on generalized complex geometry
- Orientifold projection and  $N = 1$  spectrum
- $N = 1$  chiral field space: Kähler potential and superpotential
- Mirror symmetry / T-duality with fluxes: a conjecture

Conditions on supersymmetric theories and vacua

⇨ Condition for supersymmetric  $D = 4$  theory: (Type IIB example)

- metric ansatz: 
$$ds_{10}^2 = e^{A(y)} \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + g_{ij}(y) dy^i dy^j$$

- Two ten-dimensional gravitinos  $\Psi_{\mathcal{M}}^1, \Psi_{\mathcal{M}}^2$  decompose as:

$$\Psi_{\mu}^i = \psi_{+\mu}^i \otimes \eta_+^i + \psi_{-\mu}^i \otimes \eta_-^i \quad \psi_{\mu}^1, \psi_{\mu}^2 \text{ become four-dimensional gravitinos}$$

$\Psi_m^i =$  four-dimensional fermionic modes for other multiplets

Effective four-dimensional theory possesses  $N = 2$  susy  
 ⇒ two globally defined spinors  $\eta^1$  and  $\eta^2$  on  $\mathcal{M}_6$  exist,  
 they locally or globally coincide

Graña, Louis, Waldram

- $\eta^1, \eta^2$  reduce structure group  $SO(6)$  of  $T\mathcal{M}_6$ :  $\mathbf{4} \rightarrow \mathbf{1} + \mathbf{3}$

$$\eta^1 : SO(6) \leftarrow SU(3)_1$$

$$\eta^2 : SO(6) \leftarrow SU(3)_2$$

## ⇨ Supersymmetry conditions on $D = 10$ flux-background

⇒ differential conditions relating  $\eta^1$  and  $\eta^2$  to the NS-NS and R-R background flux

Behrndt,Cvetic,Liu; Lüst,Tsimpis; Witt; Graña,Minasian,Petrini,Tomasiello

- vanishing of the gravitino and dilatino variations:

$$\delta\psi_M^i = \nabla_M \epsilon^i + (\text{Flux})_M \epsilon^i = 0 \quad \delta\lambda^i = (\partial\phi) \epsilon^i + (\text{Flux}) \epsilon^i = 0$$

- Susy spinors  $\epsilon^i$  decompose as:  $\epsilon^i = \zeta_+^i \otimes \eta_+^i + \zeta_-^i \otimes \eta_-^i$  (Type IIB example)
- Susy conditions imply:  $\nabla_m \eta^1 = (\text{Flux})_m^1, \quad \nabla_m \eta^2 = (\text{Flux})_m^2$

### Examples for $\mathcal{M}_6$ :

- Calabi-Yau manifolds:  $\eta = \eta^1 = \eta^2$  and  $\nabla_m \eta = 0$
- Manifolds with  $SU(3)$  structure:  $\eta = \eta^1 = \eta^2$ , but  $\nabla_m \eta \neq 0$
- Manifolds with  $\eta^1 = \eta^2$  only locally: manifolds with  $SU(3) \times SU(3)$  structure

new framework:

Generalized complex geometry
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Hitchin,Gualtieri,Witt

Some basics on generalized complex geometry

⇒ Central object:

$$T \oplus T^* \equiv T\mathcal{M}_6 \oplus T^*\mathcal{M}_6 \quad \text{generalized tangent bundle}$$

- $T \oplus T^*$  takes the role of tangent bundle  $T$  in standard geometry:

recall:      **metric**  $g_{ij}$  on  $\mathcal{M}_6$  is a map  $T \times T \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

**almost complex structure**  $I_i^j$  on  $\mathcal{M}_6$  defines a split  $T_{\mathbb{C}} = T^{(1,0)} \oplus T^{(0,1)}$

⇒ generalized metric  $G_{IJ}$  as a map  $(T \oplus T^*) \times (T \oplus T^*) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$G_{IJ} = \begin{pmatrix} -g^{-1}B & g^{-1} \\ g - Bg^{-1}B & Bg^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

⇒ generalized almost complex structure  $\mathcal{J}_I^J$

defines split  $(T \oplus T^*)_{\mathbb{C}} = L^{(1,0)} \oplus L^{(0,1)}$

$$\mathcal{J}L^{(1,0)} = iL^{(1,0)} \quad \mathcal{J}L^{(0,1)} = -iL^{(0,1)} \quad \mathcal{J}^2 = -\mathbf{1}$$

⇨  $T \oplus T^*$  has more structure:

- natural inner product on  $T \oplus T^*$ :  $V, W \in T \quad \eta, \zeta \in T^*$

$$(V + \eta, W + \zeta) = (V \ \eta) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} W \\ \zeta \end{pmatrix} = \eta(W) + \zeta(V)$$

⇒ generalized structure group of  $T \oplus T^*$  is  $SO(6, 6)$

- $SO(6, 6)$  induces a Clifford action on differential forms  $\Phi$ :

$$(V + \eta) \cdot \Phi = V \lrcorner \Phi + \eta \wedge \Phi$$

Indeed we have  $\{V + \eta, W + \zeta\} \cdot \Phi = (V + \eta, W + \zeta)\Phi$ .

Differential forms  $\Phi$  on  $\mathcal{M}_6$  are **spinors** of  $SO(6, 6)$ :

$$S^{\text{ev}} = \Lambda^{\text{ev}} T^* \otimes \sqrt{\Lambda^6 T} \quad S^{\text{odd}} = \Lambda^{\text{odd}} T^* \otimes \sqrt{\Lambda^6 T}$$

⇒  $SO(6)$  spinors  $\eta^1, \eta^2$  vs.  $SO(6,6)$  spinors  $\Phi$

Gualtieri; Witt; Graña, Minasian, Petrini, Tomasiello

- Globally defined even and odd forms naturally associated to  $\eta^1$  and  $\eta^2$ :

$$\Phi^{\text{ev}} = \sum_{i=1}^6 \eta_+^{\dagger 2} \gamma_{m_1 \dots m_i} \eta_+^1 dx^{m_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{m_i}$$

$$\Phi^{\text{odd}} = \sum_{i=1}^6 \eta_-^{\dagger 2} \gamma_{m_1 \dots m_i} \eta_+^1 dx^{m_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{m_i}$$

- Conditions on  $\eta^1, \eta^2$  translate into conditions on forms  $\Phi^{\text{ev/odd}}$

- pure spinors:  $(V + \eta) \cdot \Phi^{\text{ev/odd}} = 0$        $V + \eta \in L^{\text{ev/odd}} \subset T + T^*$   
 $L^{\text{ev/odd}}$  are of dimension six and isotropic  
 $L^{(1,0)} = L \Rightarrow \Phi^{\text{ev/odd}}$  define two generalized almost complex structures

- non-degeneracy:  $\langle \Phi^{\text{ev}}, \bar{\Phi}^{\text{ev}} \rangle \neq 0$        $\langle \Phi^{\text{odd}}, \bar{\Phi}^{\text{odd}} \rangle \neq 0$   
 $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  are the Mukai pairings: e.g. for  $\Phi^{\text{ev}} = \Phi_0 + \Phi_2 + \Phi_4 + \Phi_6$   
 $\langle \Phi^{\text{ev}}, \bar{\Phi}^{\text{ev}} \rangle = \Phi_0 \wedge \bar{\Phi}_6 - \Phi_2 \wedge \bar{\Phi}_4 + \Phi_4 \wedge \bar{\Phi}_2 - \Phi_6 \wedge \bar{\Phi}_0$

- compatibility:  $\langle \Phi^{\text{ev}}, \bar{\Phi}^{\text{ev}} \rangle = \frac{3}{4} \langle \Phi^{\text{odd}}, \bar{\Phi}^{\text{odd}} \rangle$       and       $\langle \Phi^{\text{odd}}, (V + \eta) \cdot \Phi^{\text{ev}} \rangle = 0$

$\Rightarrow$   $\Phi^{\text{ev/odd}}$  reduce structure group of  $T \oplus T^*$  to  $SU(3) \times SU(3)$   
 $\mathcal{M}_6$  is generalized almost complex manifold with  $SU(3) \times SU(3)$  structure  
flux background:  $d\Phi^{\text{ev}} \neq 0$        $d\Phi^{\text{odd}} \neq 0$

⇨ Important example:  $SU(3)$  structure manifolds

$$\Phi^{\text{ev}} = e^{iJ} \quad \Phi^{\text{odd}} = \Omega$$

where:

- $J$  is a globally defined  $(1, 1)$  form
- $\Omega$  is a globally defined  $(3, 0)$  form

$$\Rightarrow J, \Omega \text{ define the } SU(3) \text{ structure:} \quad J \wedge J \wedge J = \frac{3i}{4} \Omega \wedge \bar{\Omega}$$

$$J \wedge \Omega = 0$$

⇨ Remark on NS-NS  $B$ -field: note that world-sheet coupling is  $B + iJ$

include by a  $B$ -transform:

$$\Phi \mapsto \Phi_B \equiv e^B \wedge \Phi$$

- $B$ -transform is a symmetry of Mukai pairings:  $\langle \Phi_B, \Psi_B \rangle = \langle \Phi, \Psi \rangle$
- $B$ -transform is  $SO(6, 6)$  rotation on  $T \oplus T^*$ : maps a pure spinor  $\Phi$  into new pure spinor  $\Phi_B$
- $B$  has a non-trivial background flux  $H = dB \Rightarrow \Phi_B$  obtained by 'twisting with a gerbe'

Orientifold projection and  $N = 1$  spectrum

⇒ The orientifold projection (Type IIA example):

Acharya, Aganagic, Brunner, Hori, Vafa

Bosonic Type IIA spectrum

NS-NS: $\phi, g_{MN}, B_2$	R-R: $C^{\text{odd}} = C_1 + C_3 + C_5 + C_7 + C_9$
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- mod out (gauge-fix) discrete symmetries of the string theory:

$$\mathcal{O} = (-)^{F_L} \Omega_p \sigma^*$$

- 1) world sheet parity  $\Omega_p$
- 2) geometric symmetry  $\sigma$  of  $\mathcal{M}_6$ :  $\sigma^2 = 1$  (identity on  $M_{3,1}$ )

- demand  $N = 1$  supersymmetry  $\lambda(\omega_{2n}) = (-1)^n \omega_{2n}$   $\lambda(\omega_{2n-1}) = (-1)^n \omega_{2n-1}$

$\sigma^* \Phi^{\text{odd}} = \lambda(\bar{\Phi}^{\text{odd}})$	$\sigma^* \Phi^{\text{ev}} = \lambda(\Phi^{\text{ev}})$	Benmachiche, TWG
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Calabi-Yau case:  $\sigma$  is anti-holomorphic and isometric involution –  $O6$  planes.

- truncate spectrum such that:  $\mathcal{O}(\text{Field}) = \text{Field}$

$$\sigma^* \phi = \phi \qquad \sigma^* B_2 = -B_2 \qquad \sigma^* C^{\text{odd}} = \lambda(C^{\text{odd}})$$

⇒ **Four-dimensional spectrum:**

- $\mathcal{M}_6$  generalized complex manifold: **two**-grading of forms

$$\Lambda^{\text{ev}}T^* \cong \mathcal{S}^{\text{ev}} \qquad \Lambda^{\text{odd}}T^* \cong \mathcal{S}^{\text{odd}}$$

- $\mathcal{M}_6$  possesses orientifold symmetry  $\lambda\sigma^*$ : **four**-grading of forms

$$\Lambda^{\text{ev}}T^* = \Lambda_+^{\text{ev}} \oplus \Lambda_-^{\text{ev}} \qquad \Lambda^{\text{odd}}T^* = \Lambda_+^{\text{odd}} \oplus \Lambda_-^{\text{odd}}$$

Orientifold: restrict ten-dimensional fields to appropriate eigenspaces of  $\sigma^*$

- **R-R sector:** four eigenspaces correspond to four fields in  $D = 4$ :

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{scalars} & C_{(0)}^{\text{odd}} = C^{\text{odd}}|_{\Lambda_+^{\text{odd}}} \\ \text{vectors} & C_{(1)}^{\text{odd}} = C^{\text{odd}}|_{\Lambda_-^{\text{ev}}} \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{ll} \text{two-forms} & C_{(2)}^{\text{odd}} = C^{\text{odd}}|_{\Lambda_-^{\text{odd}}} \\ \text{three-forms} & C_{(3)}^{\text{odd}} = C^{\text{odd}}|_{\Lambda_+^{\text{ev}}} \end{array}$$

So far: Infinite set of scalars, two-forms as well as vectors, three-forms related by duality condition on the ten-dimensional field strengths:

$$*F^{\text{ev}} = \lambda(F^{\text{ev}}) \qquad F^{\text{ev}} = dC^{\text{odd}} + H \wedge C^{\text{odd}}$$

- NS-NS sector

We define

$$\varphi^{\text{odd}} = e^{-\phi} e^{B_2} \wedge \Phi^{\text{odd}} \qquad \varphi^{\text{ev}} = e^{B_2} \wedge \Phi^{\text{ev}}$$

Four-dimensional graviton and  $\varphi^{\text{ev/odd}}$  encode all degrees of freedom in the NS-NS sector.

Not all degrees of freedom in  $\varphi^{\text{ev/odd}}$  are independent:

- $\varphi^{\text{odd}}$  pure spinor and non-degeneracy  $\Rightarrow \text{Im}(\varphi^{\text{odd}})$  is function of  $\text{Re}(\varphi^{\text{odd}})$  Hitchin
  - $\varphi^{\text{ev}}$  complicated function  $\varphi^{\text{ev}}(t)$  of the true scalar deformations  $t$  of the generalized complex manifold (e.g. complex rescalings of  $\varphi^{\text{ev}}$  are unphysical) Gualtieri; Graña, Louis, Waldram
- (compare with Calabi-Yau case  $\varphi^{\text{ev}} = e^{B+iJ} = e^{t^a \omega_a}$ )

## ⇒ Performing the Kaluza-Klein reduction

- What are the light modes on  $SU(3)$  or  $SU(3) \times SU(3)$  structure manifold?

⇒ determine a finite set of forms on  $\mathcal{M}_6$  used in the Kaluza-Klein expansion:

$$\Delta^{\text{finite}} = \Delta^{\text{ev}} \oplus \Delta^{\text{odd}}$$

$\Delta^{\text{finite}}$  often constructed to match mirrors of Calabi-Yau compactifications with fluxes

Gurrieri, Louis, Micu, Waldram; Tomasiello; Graña, Louis, Waldram; Benmachiche, TWG

- How to perform a Kaluza-Klein reduction with a warp factor?

⇒ restrict to regime of constant warping, large volume limit

Giddings, Kachru, Polchinski

$N = 1$  chiral field space: Kähler potential and superpotential

1. How do the the scalars combine into  $N = 1$  chiral multiplets?

- correct D-brane couplings: combine

$$\varphi_c^{\text{odd}} \equiv e^{B_2} \wedge C^{\text{odd}} + i \text{Re}(\varphi^{\text{odd}}) |_{\Delta_+^{\text{odd}}}$$

linear in the  $N = 1$  complex scalar fields

- $\varphi^{\text{ev}}(t)$  is holomorphic function of complex scalars  $t^a$

2. What is the metric on the scalar field space?

- $N = 1$  susy  $\rightarrow$  Kähler metric, i.e.  $G_{AB} = \partial_A \bar{\partial}_B K$
- Kähler potential:

Benmachiche, TWG

$$K(t, \varphi_c^{\text{odd}}) = -\ln \int_{\mathcal{M}_6} \langle \varphi^{\text{ev}}, \bar{\varphi}^{\text{ev}} \rangle - 2 \ln \int_{\mathcal{M}_6} \langle \varphi^{\text{odd}}, \bar{\varphi}^{\text{odd}} \rangle$$

- first term: as in  $N = 2$  scale invariant functional on even forms Hitchin; Graña, Louis, Waldram
- second term: Kähler space inside the  $N = 2$  quaternionic manifold,  
metric encoded by generalized Hitchin functional of  $\text{Re}(\varphi^{\text{ev}})$

⇒ The  $N = 1$  superpotential:

The background fluxes and non-Calabi-Yau geometry induce a potential for the scalar fields.

- We allow for non-trivial NS-NS background flux  $H_3$  and R-R fluxes  $F^{\text{ev}}$  on  $\mathcal{M}_6$

$$H_3 = \langle dB_2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_6}, \quad F^{\text{ev}} = \langle dC^{\text{odd}} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_6}$$

- The manifold with  $SU(3) \times SU(3)$  structure generically has  $d\varphi_c^{\text{odd}} \neq 0$  and  $d\varphi^{\text{ev}} \neq 0$ . This deviation from a Calabi-Yau manifold contributes to the potential.
- The induced superpotential can be derived by a fermionic reduction. Benmachiche, TWG

$$W(t, \varphi_c^{\text{odd}}) = \int_{\mathcal{M}_6} \langle F^{\text{ev}} + d_H \varphi_c^{\text{odd}}, \varphi^{\text{ev}} \rangle$$

Here  $d_H = d + H_3 \wedge$  denotes the H-twisted differential. This superpotential reduces to the known cases on general Calabi-Yau and  $SU(3)$  structure orientifolds.

TWG, Louis; Villadoro, Zwirner; Graña, Louis, Waldram

- A similar analysis can be performed for type IIB set-ups: essentially exchanges the role of even and odd forms

## ⇨ Comments on the Hitchin functionals

- let  $\rho$  be a real even or odd form on  $\mathcal{M}_6$  ( $\rho \in S^{\text{ev/odd}}$ )
- define invariant quartic form of  $\rho$

$$q(\rho) = \text{Tr} \mu(\rho)^2 = \langle \Gamma_{MN} \rho, \rho \rangle \langle \Gamma^{MN} \rho, \rho \rangle$$

- $\mu(\rho)(a) = \langle \sigma(a) \rho, \rho \rangle$  is moment map of  $SO(6, 6)$ ,  $\sigma(a)$  representation of  $so(6, 6)$
- $\Gamma^M$  are Gamma matrices of  $SO(6, 6)$

Proposition:  $q(\rho) < 0 \iff \rho = \text{Re} \Phi$  for pure spinor  $\Phi$  and  $\langle \Phi, \bar{\Phi} \rangle \neq 0$   
 $\hat{\rho} = \text{Im} \Phi$  is unique up to ordering

⇒ on the open set of non-degenerate pure spinors define Hitchin functional

$$H[\rho] = \int_{\mathcal{M}_6} \sqrt{-q(\rho)} = i \int_{\mathcal{M}_6} \langle \Phi, \bar{\Phi} \rangle$$

- can express  $\text{Im} \Phi(\text{Re} \Phi)$

$$\partial_\rho H[\rho] = \hat{\rho}$$

## ⇒ Some other applications of the Hitchin functionals

- **Variational problem:** Extrema of  $H[\rho]$  for variations in a cohomology class correspond to generalized Calabi-Yau manifolds with  $d\Phi = 0$  Hitchin
- $H[\rho]$  is **entropy functional** for an  $N = 2$  black hole: on harmonic forms it is the Legendre transform of the pre-potential  $\mathcal{F}$  OSV; Dijkgraaf, Gukov, Neitzke, Vafa
- $H[\rho]$  might serve as a **space-time action for topological string theory** on  $\mathcal{M}_6$  Dijkgraaf, Gukov, Neitzke, Vafa; Pestun, Witten

Mirror symmetry / T-duality with fluxes: a conjecture

⇒ The Question:

What is the mirror dual of type IIB Calabi-Yau  $O3/O7$  orientifolds with background fluxes?

- Mirror symmetry/T-duality is believed to map H-flux to a non-trivial mirror geometry.
- In type IIB Calabi-Yau orientifolds fluxes induce the Gukov-Vafa-Witten superpotential

$$W_{GVW} = \int_Y (F_3 - \tau H_3) \wedge \Omega(z)$$

- Let us restrict to a simple case: one complex structure modulus  $z$   
 $F_3 = 0$  and  $H_3 = m\alpha_1 + e\beta^1$   
 In large complex structure limit:

$$W_{GVW} = -\tau(ez + mz^2)$$

Has the H-flux  $e$  and  $m$  an  $SU(3) \times SU(3)$  mirror geometry?

⇒ Perform mirror symmetry (T-duality in three directions SYZ):

$H_3$  has maximally **two** legs into the T-dualized directions (the 'Q-space' Shelton,Taylor,Wecht)

- Mirror deformation due to **electric flux  $e$** : The complex three-form  $\Omega_3$  is not anymore closed.  $SU(3)$  structure mirror ('half-flat')

Kachru,Schulz,Tripathy,Trivedi; Gurrieri,Louis,Micu,Waldram; Fianza,Minasian,Tomasiello

$$\Phi^{\text{odd}} = \Omega_3 \quad d\text{Re}(\Omega_3) \propto e$$

- Mirror deformation due to **magnetic flux  $m$** : A non-trivial one-form  $\Omega_1$  on the mirror space is needed:

$$\Phi^{\text{odd}} = \Omega_1 + \Omega_3 + \Omega_5 \quad d\text{Re}(\Omega_1) \propto m$$

Such a one-form is present on an appropriate  $SU(3) \times SU(3)$  manifold!

Can use the superpotential calculated above

$$W_{SU(3) \times SU(3)} = \int \langle d\varphi_c^{\text{odd}}, \varphi^{\text{ev}}(t) \rangle = -N^0(e t + m t^2)$$

- Origin of  $\Omega_1$ ? Recall  $so(6,6) \cong \Lambda^2 T^* \oplus \Lambda^2 T \oplus \text{End} T \Rightarrow \beta \in \Lambda^2 T$  **two-vector**

$\Omega_1 + \Omega_3 = e^{-\beta} \Omega_3$  :  $\beta$  correspond to **non-commutativity** of  $\mathcal{M}_6$  for open strings

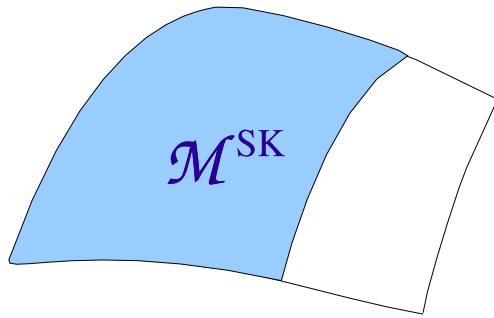
Kapustin,Mathai,Rosenberg

## Conclusions

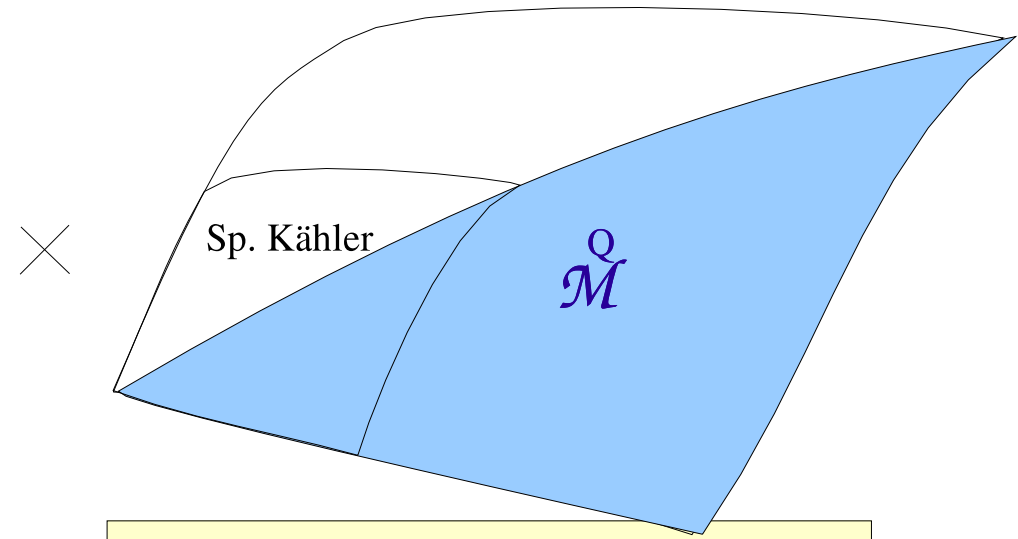
- discussed compactification of type II supergravity on orientifolds of  $SU(3) \times SU(3)$  manifolds
  - determined four-dimensional spectrum without finite truncation, NS-NS and R-R sector is encoded by specific odd and even forms on  $\mathcal{M}_6$
  - Kähler potential consists of the two Hitchin functionals on  $\mathcal{M}_6$
  - holomorphic superpotentials for the geometry due to fluxes and non-Calabi-Yau geometry
- commented on mirror symmetry/T-duality of flux compactifications
  - mirror spaces of Calabi-Yau compactifications with  $H$ -flux are generically generalized  $SU(3) \times SU(3)$  manifolds
- open questions:
  - determination of light modes for non-Calabi-Yau compactifications
  - effective four-dimensional theories for warped compactifications
  - interesting compact examples with space-time filling D-branes

## N=2 moduli space

Special Kähler (vector multiplets)



Quaternionic (hyper multiplets)



## N=1 moduli space

$\mathcal{M}^{\text{SK}}$  remains special Kähler  
(same complex structure)

$\mathcal{M}^{\text{Q}}$  Kähler – half of Quaternionic