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maximal gauged supergravity*

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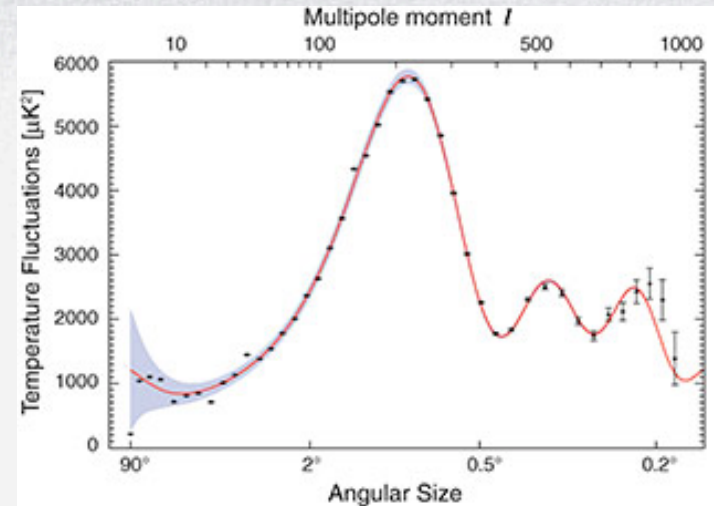
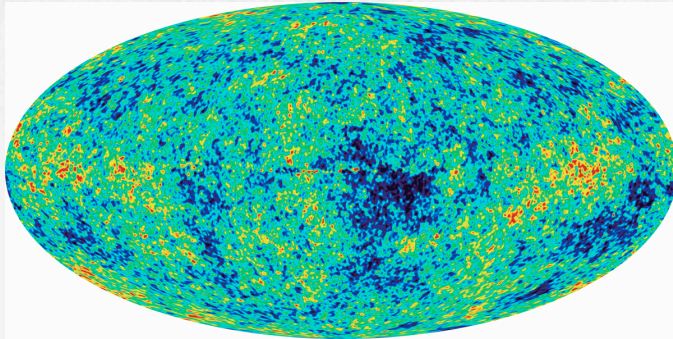
Based on

H.Kodama-M.N, arXiv:1210.4238

talk at JGRG22

Inflation in string theory

Precision Cosmology



CMB data strongly implies **inflation**

Challenge: account for inflation from fundamental theories

String theory: candidate for unifying all gauge interactions

- based on supersymmetry
- formulated in 10/11 dimensions

not fully successful due to moduli stabilization, η problem...

KKLT, KKLMNT,
axion monodromy,...

Why $N=8$ supergravity

$N=8$ supergravity *fails* to describe unified gauge interactions, but...

▶ $N=8$ SUGRA is the *restrictive* than $N<8$ theories

- UV finite? (consensus: up to 7 loops)

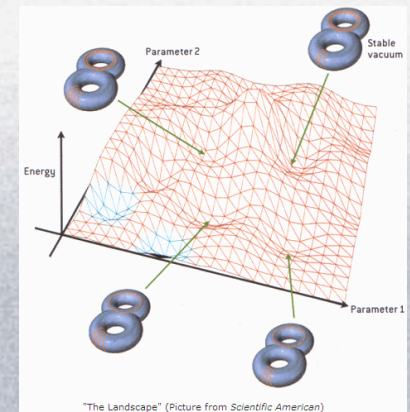
credible guide toward quantum gravity

▶ direct relation to fundamental theories

- IIA, IIB, M-theory : $N=8$

ideal playground for exploring string theory dynamics independent of SUSY breaking objects

- Effective theory of M2branes
- AdS/CMP applications
- Landscape for string vacua



"The Landscape" (Picture from Scientific American)

Our work

We want to reveal *full* moduli space structure of $N=8$ supergravity

▶ Focus:

- classifying vacua (Mink/AdS/dS)
- stability of vacua

▶ Motivations:

- more realistic construction of string inflation
- extract universal features of gravity sector of string theory

▶ Key:

- embedding tensor formalism
- homogeneous scalar manifold $E_{7(7)}/SU(8)$

▶ Abstract of our results:

- an exhaustive list of $SL(8, \mathbf{R})$ -type vacua
- an analytic expression of full mass spectra

N=8 Supergravity

- ▶ gauged supergravity
- ▶ embedding tensor

N=8 ungauged supergravity

Maximal (N=8) *ungauged* supergravity Cremmer & Julia 78

- ▶ N=8 is the *maximal # of SUSYs* for spin ≤ 2
- ▶ unique multiplet: 2⁸=128 bosons+128 fermions

	graviton	gravitino	vector	gaugino	scalar
# of fields	1	8	28	56	70
dof	2	2x8=16	2x28=56	2x56=112	1x70

- 70 scalars parametrize $E_{7(7)}/SU(8)$

coset representative: 56x56 matrix $i, j, \dots = 8$ of SU(8)

$$L(\phi)_{\underline{M}}^{\underline{N}} = \exp \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \phi_{ijkl} \\ \phi^{ijkl} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \phi_{ijkl} = \phi_{[ijkl]} = \eta(\star\bar{\phi})_{ijkl}, \quad \eta = \pm 1$$

- obtained via T^7 compactification of M-theory
- no scalar potential, no nonabelian gauge fields

Gauged supergravity

● N=8 *gauged* supergravity *a la embedding tensor formalism*

deWit-Samtleben-Trigiante 03

Gauging: enhances *global symmetry* $G \subset E_{7(7)}$ to *local symmetry*

$$\partial_\mu \rightarrow D_\mu = \partial_\mu - g A_\mu^M X_M .$$

g : gauge coupling

X_M : generators of G
 t_α : generators of $E_{7(7)}$

$$X_M = \Theta_M^\alpha t_\alpha$$

$\alpha=1,\dots,133$: adjoint of $E_{7(7)}$
 $M=1,\dots,56$: fundamental of $E_{7(7)}$

• Consistency

Θ : embedding tensor

(i) Gauge group G satisfies $\dim G \leq 28$

✓ simplest ex: $SO(8)$ gauging de Wit & Nicolai 81

(ii) G must form a closed subgroup

$$\Omega^{MN} \Theta_M^\alpha \Theta_N^\beta = 0$$

(iii) SUSY $\Theta_M^\alpha \in \mathbf{912} \subset \mathbf{56} \times \mathbf{133}$

Ω : $Sp(56, \mathbb{R}) \supset E_{7(7)}$ metric

✓ $O(g)$: SUSY transformation rules for fermions

✓ $O(g)$: *mass terms for fermions*

✓ $O(g^2)$: *scalar potential*

Scalar potential

Mink/AdS/dS \Rightarrow Einstein-70scalar system $E_{7(7)}/\text{SU}(8)$

$$L = \frac{1}{2}R + \frac{1}{8}\text{Tr}(\partial^\mu M \partial_\mu M^{-1}) - V(\phi), \quad M_{MN} = (L^T L)_{MN}$$

$$L=L(\phi_{ijkl}): \text{coset rep. of } E_{7(7)}/\text{SU}(8)$$

$$V = \frac{g^2}{672} (X_{MN}{}^P X_{PQ}{}^S M^{MP} M^{NQ} M_{RS} + 7X_{MN}{}^Q X_{PQ}{}^N M^{MP}) .$$

- unbounded from below and above, and nonlinear fun. of ϕ_{ijkl}
- we can move critical pts to origin of scalar mfd Dall'Agata-Inverso'11
 - ▶ homogeneity of scalar mfd $E_{7(7)}/\text{SU}(8)$
 - ▶ V is invariant under $L(\phi') = UL(\phi)h^{-1}(\phi, \phi') + \Theta' = U\Theta$

At the origin, $\phi_{ijkl}=0$, $L(\phi)=\mathbf{1}_{56}$

$$\partial_\rho V \propto t_{\rho M}{}^N \Theta_M^\alpha \Theta_N^\beta (\delta_{\alpha\beta} + 7\eta_{\alpha\beta}) + \Theta_M^\alpha \Theta_M^\beta f_{\rho\beta}{}^\gamma \delta_{\alpha\gamma}$$

$$\text{combined with closure condition } \Omega^{MN} \Theta_M^\alpha \Theta_N^\beta = 0$$

\longrightarrow just solve a set of quadratic eqs. for Θ

SL(8, R) vacua

Dall'Agata-Inverso considered gaugings $\subset \text{SL}(8, \mathbf{R}) \subset E_{7(7)}$
 for which $\Theta \in \mathbf{912} = \mathbf{36} + \mathbf{36}' + \mathbf{420} + \mathbf{420}'$

$$\Theta_{ab}{}^c{}_d = \delta_{[a}{}^c \theta_{b]d}, \quad \Theta^{abc}{}_d = \delta^{[a}{}_d \xi^{b]c}, \quad (\theta, \xi): 8 \times 8 \text{ matrices}$$

- assumed ansatz on (θ, ξ) and found several vacua (Mink/AdS/dS)
- mass spectra coincide if residual gauge symmetries are equivalent

✓ diagonalized 70x70 mass matrix by computers

gauging	residual sym.	V_c	$m^2 / V_c $
SO(8)			
SO(7, 1)	SO(6)	AdS	$2^{(2)}, -1^{(20)}, -\frac{1}{4}^{(20)}, 0^{(28)}$
SO(7) $\times T^7$			
SO(6) \times SO(1, 1) $\times T^{12}$			
SO(7, 1)	SO(5)	AdS	$2^{(3)}, -\frac{4}{3}^{(14)}, \frac{2}{3}^{(5)}, 0^{(48)}$
SO(6) \times SO(1, 1) $\times T^{12}$			
SO(3, 5)	SO(3) \times SO(5)	dS	$-2^{(1)}, 4^{(5)}, 2^{(30)}, \frac{4}{3}^{(14)}, -\frac{2}{3}^{(5)}, 0^{(15)}$

Scanning Vacua

- ▶ all $SL(8, \mathbf{R})$ type vacua
- ▶ stability of vacua

SL(8, R) vacua

We can list *all* possible SL(8, R) vacua by obtaining all 8x8 matrices (θ, ξ) satisfying

Kodama-MN '12

$$2(\theta^2 - \xi^2) - (\theta \text{Tr} \theta - \xi \text{Tr} \xi) = 2a \mathbb{I}_8, \quad \theta \xi = c \mathbb{I}_8$$

a, c : constants

- SL(8, R) vacua are *exhausted* by list of Dall'agata-Inverso

Gauging	G_{reg}	Λ
SO(4, 4)	SO(4) \times SO(4)	dS
SO(5, 3)	SO(5) \times SO(3)	dS
SO(8)	SO(7)	AdS
SO(7, 1)		
SO(7) \times \mathbb{T}^7		
SO(8)	SO(6)	AdS
SO(7, 1)		
SO(7) \times \mathbb{T}^7		
SO(6) \times SO(1, 1) \times \mathbb{T}^{12}		
SO(7, 1)	SO(5)	AdS
SO(6) \times SO(1, 1) \times \mathbb{T}^{12}		
SO(6, 2)	SO(2) ⁴	Mink.
SO(4) \times SO(2, 2) \times \mathbb{T}^{16}	SO(2) ⁴	Mink.
SO(2) \times SO(2) \times \mathbb{T}^{20}	SO(2) ²	Mink.

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- SL(8, R) vacua are *exhausted* by list of Dall'agata-Inverso
- Minkowski vacua are parametrized by continuous parameters
- For some vacua ($\Lambda \neq 0$), a single parameter remains
e.g., dS vacua with $SO(4,4) \rightarrow SO(4) \times SO(4)$ gauging

$$\theta = \lambda \mathbb{I}_4 \oplus (-\lambda) \mathbb{I}_4, \quad \xi = \theta^{-1}, \quad V = \frac{g^2}{4} (\lambda^2 + \lambda^{-2}),$$

implying 1 parameter *deformation of the theory*

c.f. Dall'Agata-Inverso-Trigiante '12 for SO(8)

SL(8, R) vacua

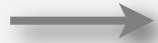
Mass spectra are *analytically* determined

Kodama-MN '12

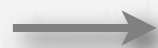
$$(M^2)_{\rho\sigma} := \frac{g^2}{168} \left[(s_{(\rho} s_{\sigma)})_M{}^N \text{Tr}(X_M{}^T X_N + 7X_M X_N) + 2(s_{(\rho})_M{}^N \text{Tr}(s_{\sigma)}[X_{(M},{}^T X_{N)})] \right. \\ \left. - \text{Tr}([s_{(\rho}, X_M][s_{\sigma)},{}^T X_M]) \right] .$$

$$s_\rho = \frac{1}{2}(t_\rho + {}^T t_\rho) = \begin{pmatrix} 2S_\rho \wedge \mathbb{I} & U_\rho \\ \star U_\rho & -2S_\rho \wedge \mathbb{I} \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} \Theta_{ab}{}^c{}_d &= \delta_{[a}{}^c \theta_{b]d} , \\ \Theta^{abc}{}_d &= \delta^{[a}{}_d \xi^{b]c} , \end{aligned}$$

decompose into
SL(8, R) irrep



S_{ab} : 35 scalars $S = {}^T S, \text{Tr}(S) = 0,$
 U_{abcd} : 35 pseudoscalars $U = \star U .$



kinetic term = $\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}((\partial S)^2) + \frac{1}{12} \partial U \cdot \partial U$

e.g. electric gaugings ($\xi=0$) & $V_c \neq 0$: cosmological constant

$$\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \mathbb{I}_{n_1} & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \mathbb{I}_{n_2} \end{pmatrix} \quad S = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ {}^T A_{12} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} \quad A_{11} = \frac{1}{n_1} \text{Tr}(A_{11}) \mathbb{I}_{n_1} + \hat{A}_1 ,$$

$n_1 + n_2 (=8)$ split

SL(8, R) vacua

Mass spectra for $\Lambda \neq 0$ vacua

Kodama-MN '12

$$M_{(1)}^2 = \frac{8}{n_1 n_2} m_{0(1,1)}^2 \text{Tr}(A_{11})^2 + m_{1(\mathbf{N}_1, 1)}^2 \text{Tr}(\hat{A}_1^2) + m_{2(1, \mathbf{N}_2)}^2 \text{Tr}(\hat{A}_2^2) + 2m_{*(\mathbf{n}_1, \mathbf{n}_2)}^2 \text{Tr}({}^T A_{12} A_{12}),$$

$$\text{SO}(n_1, n_2) \rightarrow \text{SO}(n_1) \times \text{SO}(n_2) \quad \theta = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \mathbb{I}_{n_1} & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \mathbb{I}_{n_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

(n_1, n_2) correspond to the unbroken gauge symmetries

$$m_{0(1,1)}^2 = -2V_c, \quad m_{1(\mathbf{N}_1, 1)}^2 = \frac{4V_c}{n_1 - 2}, \quad m_{*} = 0: \text{NG directions}$$

$$m_{(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})}^2 : (\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) \text{ irrp of } \text{SO}(n_1) \times \text{SO}(n_2) \quad N_1 = \frac{1}{2}(n_1 - 1)(n_1 + 2)$$

Mass of pseudoscalars can be obtained similarly

$$m_{U[\ell]}^2 = \frac{2[2\ell^2 - 2n_1\ell + (n_1 - 2)^2]}{(n_1 - 6)(n_1 - 2)} V_c. \quad \ell: \text{labeling index}$$

Mass spectra are dependent only on residual gauge symmetries

\Rightarrow insensitive to original gaugings & deformation parameters

SL(8, R) vacua

Minkowski vacua

SO(6,2), SO(4)×SO(2,2)×T¹⁶, SO(2)×SO(2)×T²⁰ admit Minkowski vacua

e.g., 35 scalar mass eigenvalues for SO(6,2)→SO(2)⁴ gauging

$$\theta = r\mathbb{I}_2 \oplus s\mathbb{I}_2 \oplus t\mathbb{I}_2 \oplus \left(-\frac{1}{rst}\right)\mathbb{I}_2, \quad \text{:specified by 3 continuous parameters}$$

$$m_{(1,1,1)(\times 3)}^2 = 0, \quad m_{*(\times 24)}^2 = 0 \quad : (\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}) + \dots,$$

$$m_{i(\times 8)}^2 = \frac{g^2}{16r^2s^2t^2} \times \begin{cases} 4st(r-s)(r-t)(1+r^2st), & : (\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}) \\ 4rt(s-r)(s-t)(1+rs^2t), & : (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}) \\ 4rs(r-t)(s-t)(1+rst^2), & : (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}, \mathbf{1}) \\ 4(1+r^2st)(1+rs^2t)(1+rst^2), & : (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}) \end{cases}.$$

Unless (r,s,t) are pairwise equal, m^2 will be negative

→ generic Minkowski vacua are unstable

SL(8,R) vacua

Exhaustive list of SL(8,R) type vacua & mass spectra

Gauging	G_{reg}	Λ	m_S^2	m_U^2
SO(4,4)	SO(4) \times SO(4)	dS	$-2_{(\times 1)}, 2_{(\times 18)}, 0_{(\times 16)}$	$2_{(\times 18)}, 1_{(\times 16)}, -2_{(\times 1)}$
SO(5,3)	SO(5) \times SO(3)	dS	$-2_{(\times 1)}, \frac{4}{3}_{(\times 14)}, 4_{(\times 5)}, 0_{(\times 15)}$	$2_{(\times 30)}, -\frac{2}{3}_{(\times 5)}$
SO(8)	SO(7)	AdS	$2_{(\times 1)}, -\frac{4}{5}_{(\times 27)}, 0_{(\times 7)}$	$-\frac{2}{5}_{(\times 35)}$
SO(7,1)				
SO(7) \times \mathbb{T}^7				
SO(8)	SO(6)	AdS	$-1_{(\times 20)}, 2_{(\times 2)}, 0_{(\times 13)}$	$0_{(\times 15)}, -\frac{1}{4}_{(\times 20)}$
SO(7,1)				
SO(7) \times \mathbb{T}^7				
SO(6) \times SO(1,1) \times \mathbb{T}^{12}				
SO(7,1)	SO(5)	AdS	$-\frac{4}{3}_{(\times 14)}, 2_{(\times 3)}, 0_{(\times 18)}$	$\frac{2}{3}_{(\times 5)}, 0_{(\times 30)}$
SO(6) \times SO(1,1) \times \mathbb{T}^{12}				
SO(6,2)	SO(2) ⁴	Mink.	Eq. (4.54)	Eq. (4.55)
SO(4) \times SO(2,2) \times \mathbb{T}^{16}	SO(2) ⁴	Mink.	Eq. (4.68)	Eq. (4.69)
SO(2) \times SO(2) \times \mathbb{T}^{20}	SO(2) ²	Mink.	Eq. (4.70)	Eq. (4.71)

- mass eigenvalues are insensitive to a deformation parameter
- all vacua break SUSY completely
- (A)dS vacua are always unstable

Summary

• What we have done

- *complete classification* of vacua for gauge group contained in $SL(8, \mathbf{R})$
 - ✓ many vacua ($\Lambda \neq 0$) contain deformation parameter
 - ✓ except $N=8$ AdS vacua, all SUSYs are broken
- obtained *analytic expressions* of mass eigenvalues
 - ✓ insensitive to underlying gaugings & deformation parameter
 - ✓ all vacua are generically unstable

• Future prospects

- explore other gaugings $\not\subset SL(8, \mathbf{R})$
- construct inflationary models
- find higher dimensional flux vacua description