

# An extended standard model and its Higgs geometry from the IKKT model

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H.S., J. Zahn, [arXiv:1401.2020](https://arxiv.org/abs/1401.2020)

# Motivation

- need quantum theory of fundamental interactions incl. gravity  
Higgs ? cosmological constant? dark ... (whatever)?
- too many string theory compactifications, “vacua”  
→ lack of predictivity
- here: **matrix model** approach:  
constructive, predictive, non-perturbative  
→ S.M. ?

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# basic objects: branes ( $\rightarrow$ brane-worlds)

e.o.m.:  $\delta S = 0 \Rightarrow [X_a, [X^a, X^b]] = 0$

basic solutions:

- flat  $D(2n-1)$  branes  $\mathbb{R}_\theta^{2n}$  embedded in  $\mathbb{R}^{10}$

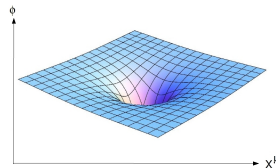
$$X^a = \begin{pmatrix} X^\mu \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$[X^\mu, X^\nu] = i\theta^{\mu\nu} \mathbf{1}$$

“quantum plane”

- generic (curved)  $D(2n-1)$  branes

$$X^a = \begin{pmatrix} X^\mu \\ \phi^j(X^\mu) \end{pmatrix}$$



non-commutative,  $B$ -field  $\theta^{ab} \rightarrow \theta^{ab}(x)$

- $D$ -branes in IIB string theory recovered

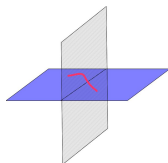
interaction in SUGRA recovered at one loop

(IKKT, BFSS, Kabat-Taylor,...)

- multiple branes:  $X^a = \begin{pmatrix} X_{(1)}^a & 0 \\ 0 & X_{(2)}^a \end{pmatrix}$

- intersecting branes, stacks

$$X^a = \begin{pmatrix} X_{(11)}^a & \phi_{(12)} \\ \phi_{(21)} & X_{(22)}^a \end{pmatrix}$$

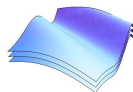


Aoki, Banks, Chepelev, Fischler, Iso, Kawai, Kitazawa, Kimura, Nair, Raamsdonk, Randjibar-Daemi, Shenker, Susskind, Zarembo, .....

# stack of coincident branes $\rightarrow su(N)$ gauge theory

background

$$X^a = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{X}^\mu \otimes \mathbf{1}_N \\ \bar{\phi}^i \otimes \mathbf{1}_N \end{pmatrix}$$



include fluctuations:

$$X^a = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{X}^\mu \otimes \mathbf{1}_N + \mathcal{A}^\mu \\ \bar{\phi}^i \otimes \mathbf{1}_N + \Phi^i \end{pmatrix}$$

write  $\mathcal{A}^\mu = \theta^{\mu\nu} A_\nu$ , note  $[\bar{X}^\mu, f] \sim i\theta^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu f$

$$\begin{aligned} [X^\mu, X^\nu] &= i\theta^{\mu\nu} + i\theta^{\mu\mu'} \theta^{\nu\nu'} (\partial_{\mu'} A_{\nu'} - \partial_{\nu'} A_{\mu'} + [A_{\mu'}, A_{\nu'}]) \\ &= i\theta^{\mu\nu} + i\theta^{\mu\mu'} \theta^{\nu\nu'} F_{\mu'\nu'} \quad \text{field strength} \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  effective action on  $\mathbb{R}_\theta^4$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= \Lambda_0^4 \text{Tr} \left( [X^a, X^b][X_a, X_b] + \bar{\Psi} \Gamma_a [X^a, \Psi] \right) \\
 &= \int d^4x \sqrt{G} \text{tr}_N \left( \frac{1}{4g^2} (\mathcal{F}\mathcal{F})_G + \frac{1}{2} G^{\mu\nu} D_\mu \Phi^i D_\nu \Phi_i - \frac{1}{4} g^2 [\Phi^i, \Phi^j][\Phi_i, \Phi_j] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \bar{\psi} \tilde{\gamma}^\mu (i\partial_\mu + [\mathcal{A}_\mu, \cdot]) \psi + g \bar{\psi} \Gamma^i [\Phi_i, \psi] \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 G^{\mu\nu} &= \rho \theta^{\mu\nu'} \theta^{\nu\nu'} g_{\mu'\nu'}, & \rho &= \sqrt{|\theta^{-1}|} \\
 \tilde{\gamma}^\mu &= \rho^{1/2} \theta^{\nu\mu} \gamma_\nu, \\
 \frac{1}{4g^2} &= \frac{\Lambda_0^4}{(2\pi)^2} \rho^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

IKKT on stack of branes  $\rightarrow$   $SU(n)$   $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM coupled to  $G^{\mu\nu}$

holds also for curved branes,  $U(1)_{\text{tr}} \rightarrow$  dynamical  $G^{\mu\nu}$

H.S., JHEP 0712:049 (2007), JHEP 0902:044,(2009)



this talk:

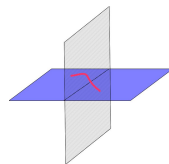
... use language of  $SU(N)$   $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM for sufficiently large  $N$   
(ignore gravity, quantum space-time)

- find explicit brane solution which breaks  
 $SU(N) \rightsquigarrow SU(3)_c \times U(1)_Q \times U(1)_B$
- **resembles S.M.** at low energies:
  - correct matter content of S.M. (2 generations ...) +  $\nu_R$   
coupled to  $SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$
  - electroweak SSB  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightsquigarrow U(1)_Q$  via  
**two Higgs doublets**,  
intrinsic part of geometry (minimal fuzzy spheres),  
essential for chiral nature of fermions
- **mirror fermions** at intermediate energies (above  $m_W$ ),  
decay to S.M. fermions via **new heavy gauge bosons**
- singlet Higgs breaks  $SU(2)_R$ , may induce Majorana mass for  $\nu_R$
- gauginos, towers of massive KK modes  
ultimately completing  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY

# chiral fermions on intersecting NC branes

A. Chatzistavrakidis, H.S., G. Zoupanos (2011)

$$\Phi^i = \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_{(1)}^i & \\ & \Phi_{(2)}^i \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Psi = \begin{pmatrix} & \Psi_{(12)} \\ \Psi_{(21)} & \end{pmatrix}$$



M.M. Dirac operator on  $\mathbb{R}_\theta^2 \cap \mathbb{R}_\theta^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \not{D}_{\text{int}} \Psi_{(12)} &= \Gamma_i [\Phi^i, \Psi_{(12)}] = \Gamma_i (\Phi_{(1)}^i \Psi_{(12)} - \Psi_{(12)} \Phi_{(2)}^i) \\ &= \not{D}_{(1)} \Psi_{(12)} - \not{D}_{(2)} \Psi_{(12)} \end{aligned}$$

use oscillator basis for (noncommutative!) branes

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \Phi^4 - i\Phi^5, & b &= \Phi^6 - i\Phi^7, \\ \alpha &= \frac{1}{2}(\Gamma^4 + i\Gamma^5), & \beta &= \frac{1}{2}(\Gamma^6 + i\Gamma^7) \\ \not{D}_{(1)} \Psi &= (\alpha a^\dagger + \alpha^\dagger a) \Psi \\ \not{D}_{(2)} \Psi &= \beta \Psi b^\dagger + \beta^\dagger \Psi b \end{aligned}$$

$$\not{D}_{\text{int}} \Psi_{(12)} = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \Psi_{(12)} = |0, \downarrow\rangle_{(1)} \langle 0, \uparrow|_{(2)}$$

**chiral zero mode** in  $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2$

**localized** at intersection (coherent state)

# towards the standard model

- consider intersecting branes  $\mathbb{R}^4 \times \mathcal{K}_i \subset \mathbb{R}^{10}$

$\mathcal{K}_i$ ... fuzzy spaces (=quantized compact spaces)

e.g.  $S_N^2$ ,  $T_N^2$ ,  $S_N^2 \times S_N^2$  ...

→ chiral fermions localized at  $\mathcal{K}_i \cap \mathcal{K}_j$ , propagate on  $\mathbb{R}^4$

- stacks** of  $n_i$  branes →  $SU(n_i)$  gauge fields  
fermions  $\Psi_{(12)}$  in  $(n_1) \otimes (\bar{n}_2)$

standard model fields embedded in adjoint of  $SU(N)$ :

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$$\Psi = \begin{pmatrix} 0_2 & 0 & 0 & I_L & Q_L \\ & 0 & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & e_R \\ 0 & \nu_R \end{pmatrix} & & Q_R \\ & & 0 & & 0 \\ & & & & 0_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$Q_L = \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix}, \quad I_L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ e_L \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q_R = \begin{pmatrix} d_R \\ u_R \end{pmatrix}$$

realized by 5 types of branes:

- $\mathcal{D}_l$  "leptonic" brane
- $3 \otimes \mathcal{D}_B$  "baryonic" branes  $\rightarrow SU(3)_c$
- $2 \otimes \mathcal{D}_w$  "electroweak" branes  $\rightarrow SU(2)_L$
- $1 + 1$  "right-handed" branes  $\mathcal{D}_a, \mathcal{D}_b$

(cf. intersecting brane models in string theory)

gauge fields: adjoint action  $Q\Psi_{(12)} = [t_Q, \Psi_{(12)}]$  etc.,  
e.g.

$$t_Q = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_3 & & & & \\ & -1 & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & & 1 & \\ & & & & -\frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}, \quad t_Y = \begin{pmatrix} 0_2 & & & & \\ & -1 & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & & 1 & \\ & & & & -\frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}.$$

## problems:

- compact  $\mathcal{K}_i \cap \mathcal{K}_j \rightarrow$  **pairs** of intersections (zero index of  $\mathcal{D}_{\text{int}}$ )  
 $\rightarrow$  additional chiral fermions besides S.M. fermions
- need EW Higgs:

$$\Phi_{(H)}^a = \begin{pmatrix} 0_2 & H_d & H_u & 0 & 0 \\ & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & 0 & S & 0 \\ & & & 0 & 0 \\ & & & & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \phi_u & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \phi_d & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \phi_d^\dagger & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \phi_u^\dagger & 0 & 0 & 0 & S & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & S^\dagger & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$S$  ... sterile Higgs

## solution:

**Higgs** connects 2 patches into **one** brane  
 ... **intrinsic part of fuzzy internal geometry**

other proposal: warped extra dimensions

Nishimura, Tsuchiya 2013, Aoki Nishimura Tsuchiya 2014

# deconstructing compact branes

consider block-config. with off-diagonal **Higgs**

$$\Phi^i = \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_{(1)}^1 & 0 \\ 0 & \Phi_{(2)}^1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \phi \\ \phi^\dagger & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

acting **irreducibly** on

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_{(1)} \oplus \mathcal{H}_{(2)}$$

joining two branes  $\mathcal{D}_{(1)}$  and  $\mathcal{D}_{(2)}$



**Higgs** as **glue** for compact branes from **patches**

example: fuzzy sphere  $S_N^2$  by glueing two disks with **Higgs**

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(Madore, Hoppe)

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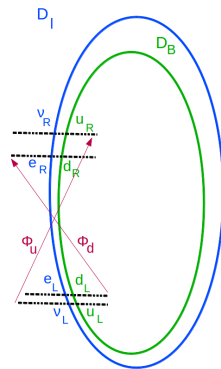
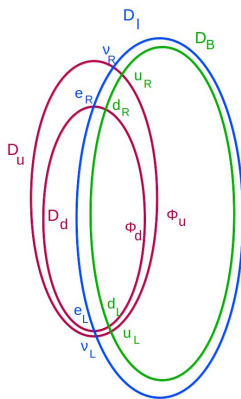
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join  $\mathcal{D}_a \cup \mathcal{D}_w \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_u$  ... deconstructed **minimal ellipsoids**  
 $\mathcal{D}_b \cup \mathcal{D}_{w'} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_d$

$\mathcal{D}_u, \mathcal{D}_d$  intersecting with  $\mathcal{D}_l, \mathcal{D}_B \approx$  standard model



- obtain precisely chiral matter content of standard model +  $\nu_R$   
(one generation)
- $SU(2)_L$  at coinciding "south poles" of  $S^2_2$  in  $\mathcal{D}_u, \mathcal{D}_d$   
broken by Higgs  $\phi$

# intersecting brane solutions

branes **interact** (1-loop  $\rightarrow \approx$  SUGRA, typically **attraction**)

$\rightarrow$  deform model by  $SO(6)$ -invariant potential

$$S \rightarrow S - \rho \int d^4x V_{\text{quant}},$$

$$V_{\text{quant}} = f(\text{tr}_N \sum_{i=4}^9 X_i X^i) \stackrel{\text{e.g.}}{=} -m^2 \text{tr}(X_i X^i) + \lambda (\text{tr} X_i X^i)^2$$

(note:  $\mathbb{R}_\theta^4$  has scale  $\Lambda_{NC}$  !)

e.o.m.

$$\square X^i = -(2\pi g \rho^{-\frac{1}{2}} f') X^i, \quad \square = [X^j, [X_j, \cdot]]$$

(similarly for branes rotating in 45, 67, 89 directions,

cf. IR regularization

Kim Nishimura (2012) )

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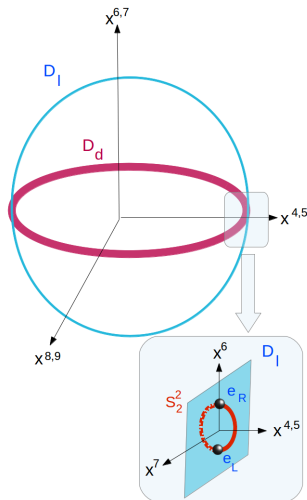
$\mathcal{D}_u \sim \mathcal{D}_d$ :

$$\Phi_{(u)}^a = \begin{pmatrix} R'_u L_3 + \phi_u \sigma'_1 \\ \phi_u \sigma'_2 \\ r_u \sigma'_3 \\ 0 \\ R_u L_1 \\ R_u L_2 \end{pmatrix} \cong S_{N_u}^2 \tilde{\times} S_2^2$$

$$\mathcal{D}_I \sim \mathcal{D}_B: \quad \Phi_{(I)}^a = \begin{pmatrix} R'_I K_3 \\ 0 \\ R_I K_1 \\ R_I K_2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cong S_{N_I}^2$$

solution of eom if

$$R_u = R'_u = R_I = R'_I = r_u = \phi_u = \sqrt{-\pi g \rho^{-1/2} f'}$$



intersections:

assume  $N \gg 1$ :

2 intersection regions (2 generations!) near  $\pm N_l R'_2(1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)$

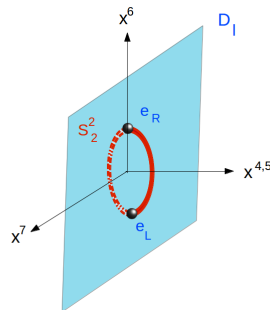
flat limit  $S_N^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_\theta^2$  near intersections:

replace  $\mathcal{D}_u \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_\theta^2 \tilde{\times} S^2$  and  $\mathcal{D}_l \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_\theta^2$

fermions on intersection  $S_2^2 \cap \mathbb{R}_\theta^2$ :

$$\phi^j = \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_{(1)}^j & \\ & \Phi_{(2)}^j \end{pmatrix}, \quad \psi = \begin{pmatrix} & \Psi_{(12)} \\ \Psi_{(21)} & \end{pmatrix}$$

with 
$$\Phi_{(1)}^j = \begin{pmatrix} \phi\sigma_1 \\ \phi\sigma_2 \\ r\sigma_3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Phi_{(2)}^j = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ y^6 \\ y^7 \end{pmatrix}$$



- 1 no Higgs  $\phi = 0$ : 2 points at  $x^6 = \pm r$   
pair of zero modes, **both chiralities**, at each location

- 2 switch on Higgs  $\phi \neq 0$ :

**one chiral zero mode** localized at each intersection  $x^6 = \pm r$   
(coherent states)

$$e_R = |+, \downarrow\rangle_{(1)} \langle +r, \uparrow|_{(2)}, \quad e_L = |-, \uparrow\rangle_{(1)} \langle -r, \uparrow|_{(2)}$$

**massive mirror fermion** at each intersection, mass  $m \sim \phi$

$$\tilde{e}_L = |+, \uparrow\rangle_{(1)} \langle +r, \uparrow|_{(2)}, \quad \tilde{e}_R = |-, \downarrow\rangle_{(1)} \langle -r, \uparrow|_{(2)}$$

on  $S^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2 \cap \mathbb{R}^2$ :

- exact chiral zero modes, e.g.  $\Psi_{(12)} = | + 0, \uparrow \downarrow \rangle_{(1)} \langle + r, \downarrow |_{(2)}$
- massive mirror fermions, e.g.  $\tilde{\Psi}_{(12)} = | + 0, \downarrow \downarrow \rangle_{(1)} \langle + r, \downarrow |_{(2)}$  ,  
mass  $m \sim \phi$   
(opposite chirality on  $S^2_2$ , same localization)

on  $S^2_N \tilde{\times} S^2_2 \cap S^2_N$ :

expect pairs of **near-zero eigenmodes** of  $\not{D}_{\text{int}}$   
consisting of nearly-localized chiral states

gives Yukawa coupling

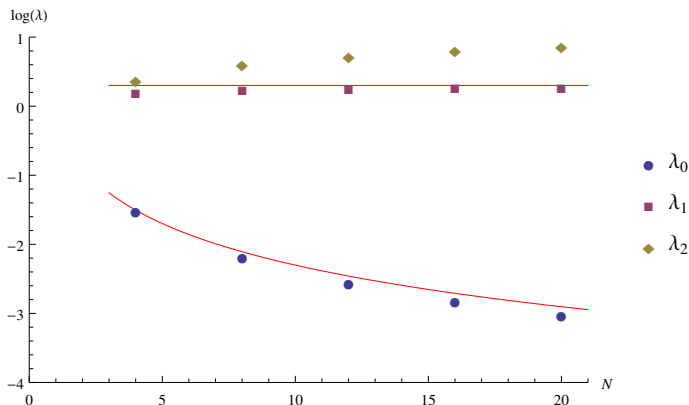
$$\text{tr}_N \Psi^*_{-R} \gamma_0 \gamma_5 \not{D}_{\text{int}} \Psi_{+L} \approx \phi f_\psi$$

spin non-alignment at intersections  $\rightarrow$  expect

$$f_\psi \approx 4 \frac{r^2}{N_I^2 R_I^2}$$

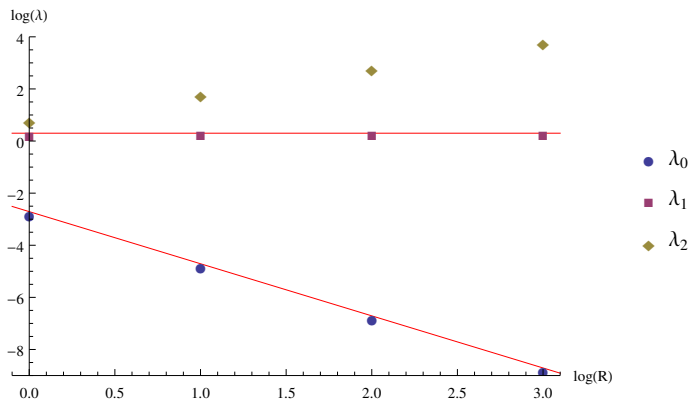


numerical results: lowest eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{D}_{\text{int}}$  (= Yukawas)  
for  $N_i = N, R_i = 1, r = \phi = 1$ :

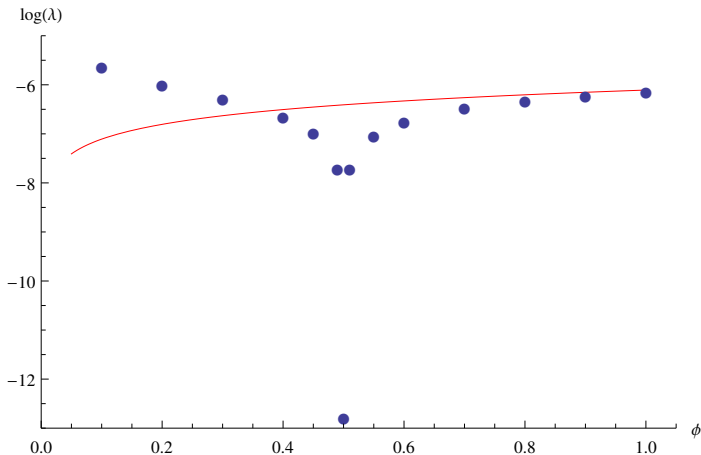


approximate localization also verified

lowest eigenvalues for  $N_i = 16, R_i = R, r = \phi = 1$ :



coupling to "Higgs"  $\phi$ : expected linear;  
lowest eigenvalue as a function of  $\phi$ , for  $N_i = 8, R_i = r = 1$



# singlet Higgs $S$

links  $\mathcal{D}_U$  with  $\mathcal{D}_I$  at  $\nu_R$

$$H_{(S)}^a = h^a S + h.c., \quad S = \sum_n |p_n\rangle_u \langle q_n|_I$$

rotating in 8-9 plane,  $h^a = h(e^8 + ie^9)e^{i\omega_S t}$

solves linearized eom for suitable  $\omega_S$

- breaks  $SU(2)_R$  and  $U(4) \rightarrow SU(3)_c \times U(1)_B$  (and  $U(1)_{B-L}$ )  
(not needed for other geometries)
- might induce Majorana mass for  $\nu_R$

$$\int d^4x \operatorname{tr}_N(\nu_R^T \gamma^0 S^\dagger \nu_R S^\dagger).$$

# SSB, low-energy action

2 stage SSB:

- 4 coincident branes  $\mathcal{D}_B \cong \mathcal{D}_I$ , 2 coincident branes  $\mathcal{D}_u \cong \mathcal{D}_d$   
 $\rightarrow$  unbroken  $U(4) \times U(2)$
- switch on  $S$   
 $\rightarrow SU(3)_c \times U(1)_Q \times U(1)_B \times U(1)_{tr}$

note: electric charge generator

$$t_Q = t_3 + \frac{1}{2}t_Y = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{1}_u - \mathbf{1}_d + \mathbf{1}_l - \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{1}_B)$$

guaranteed to be unbroken

gauge bosons:

from **fluctuations**  $X^\mu + \mathcal{A}^\mu$  of space-time matrices

$$\mathcal{A} = g_W(W_- t_+ + W_+ t_- + W_3 t_3) + \frac{1}{2} g' B t_Y + g_5 B_5 t_5 + g_S A_\alpha t_\alpha + \dots$$

identify **gauge couplings**

$$g_w = \frac{g}{\sqrt{N_u}}, \quad g_s = \frac{g}{\sqrt{N_l}}, \quad \frac{1}{2} g' = \frac{g}{\sqrt{8N_u + \frac{8}{3} N_l}},$$

## EW symmetry breaking:

recall  $\Phi^+ := \Phi^4 + i\Phi^5 =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} R'_u L_3 & 0 & 0 & \phi_u \mathbf{1} \\ 0 & R'_d L_3 & \phi_d \mathbf{1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & R'_d L_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & R'_u L_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \\ \\ \\ R'_2 K_3 \\ R'_2 K_3 \mathbf{1}_3 \end{matrix}$$

kinetic term for **two Higgs doublets**  $H_d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \phi_d \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $H_u = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_u \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} S[\phi] &= -\frac{1}{2} \int d^4x G^{\mu\nu} \text{tr}_N \left( (D_\mu H_d)^\dagger D_\nu H_d + (D_\mu H_u)^\dagger D_\nu H_u \right) \\ &= -\int d^4x \text{tr}_N \left( \frac{1}{4} \phi^2 g_w^2 (W_1^2 + W_2^2) + \frac{1}{4} \phi^2 (g_w^2 + g'^2) Z^2 + \phi^2 g_5^2 B_5^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

gives  $W$  mass

$$m_W^2 = \frac{1}{2} g^2 \phi^2$$

Weinberg angle:  $\sin^2 \theta_W = \frac{1}{2 + \frac{2N_f}{3N_u}}$

for  $N_u = N_f$ :  $g_S = g_W$ ,  $\sin^2 \theta_W = 3/8$

# fermion masses

Yukawa coupling

$$\int d^4x g t_N \bar{\psi} \Gamma^a [\Phi_a, \cdot] \psi = 2 \int d^4x g f_\psi \phi \bar{\psi}_{12} \psi_{12}$$

gives

$$m_\psi = g \phi f_\psi$$

- $f_\psi$  arbitrarily small for **S.M. fermions**  $\equiv$  **would-be zero modes**
- $\tilde{f}_\psi = 1$  for lowest mirror fermions, e.g.  $\tilde{e}_R$   
 $\Rightarrow \tilde{m}_\psi \approx \sqrt{2} m_W$

however: **tree-level masses** at high energies

KK modes on  $\mathcal{D}_{B,I}$  couple to chiral fermions, not to  $W, Z$  bosons

integrate out  $\Rightarrow$  significant running of Yukawas

e.g.  $\alpha \int d^4x g t_N \bar{\psi} \Gamma^a [\Phi_a, \cdot] \psi$ ,  $\alpha > 1 \Rightarrow$  mirror fermions heavier



# Higgs mass ?

two doublets  $H_d = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \phi_d \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $H_u = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_u \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , (cf. MSSM)

$\tan \beta = \frac{\phi_u}{\phi_d} = 1$  at tree level

assume  $\phi_{u,d}$  is physical Higgs **fluctuation** !?

$$m_\phi^2 = 2g^2\phi^2 (1 + 2\pi^2 f'') \quad (\approx 4m_W^2)$$

(... just illustration !)

extra gauge bosons:

$C_\mu$  ... link mirror fermions to S.M. fermions, e.g.  $\tilde{e}_L \leftrightarrow \nu_L, e_L$

(extend  $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$  to  $SU(4)$  )

extra  $U(1)$ 's:

unbroken gauge group  $SU(3)_c \times U(1)_Q \times U(1)_B \times U(1)_{tr}$

anomalous  $U(1)_B$  gauge bosons

expected to acquire (Stückelberg) mass

general predictions:

- mirror fermions at "intermediate" (??) energies
- right-handed neutrinos
- towers of massive KK modes, completing  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  spectrum  
no "grand desert"
- requires non-standard ("emergent") gravity mechanism

more specific (BG-dependent):

- two Higgs doublets (physical fluct. ?)
- mirror fermions approx. degenerate

## issues:

- stabilization of compact branes ?
  - quantum effects  $\rightarrow$  SUGRA in extra dimensions  
 $\rightarrow$  (attractive) force between branes
  - rotation in extra dimensions

- low scale of mirror fermions?

quantum corrections will modify Yukawas

e.g:  $\int \alpha \bar{\psi} \not{D}_{\text{int}} \psi$ ,  $\alpha > 1 \rightarrow$  mirror fermions above  $m_W$

- generations? multiple intersections of branes

e.g.:  $\mathcal{D}_u = S_N^2 \tilde{\otimes} S_2^2 \rightarrow (S_{N_1}^2 \oplus S_{N_2}^2 \oplus S_{N_3}^2) \tilde{\otimes} S_2^2$

no obstacle in principle to get S.M. from IKKT at low energy

the simplest possible model might actually work !?

explicit brane background:

$$\Phi^4 + i\Phi^5 = \begin{pmatrix} R'_u L_3 & 0 & 0 & \phi \mathbf{1} & & & \\ 0 & R'_d L_3 & \phi \mathbf{1} & 0 & & & \\ 0 & 0 & R'_d L_3 & 0 & & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & R'_u L_3 & & & \\ & & & & R'_2 K_3 & & \\ & & & & & R'_2 K_3 \mathbf{1}_3 & \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\Phi^6 + i\Phi^7 = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{r}{2} \mathbf{1} & & & & & & \\ & -\frac{r}{2} \mathbf{1} & & & & & \\ & & \frac{r}{2} \mathbf{1} & & & & \\ & & & \frac{r}{2} \mathbf{1} & & & \\ & & & & RK_+ & & \\ & & & & & RK_+ \mathbf{1}_3 & \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\Phi^8 + i\Phi^9 = \begin{pmatrix} RL_+ & & & & & & \\ & RL_+ & & & & & \\ & & RL_+ & & & & \\ & & & RL_+ & & & \\ & & & & RL_+ & 2he^{i\omega_{st}} S & \\ & & & & & 0 & \\ & & & & & & 0_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$