

# SUPERSYMMETRY BREAKING AND RADION STABILIZATION

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## SCHERK-SCHWARZ SUPERSYMMETRY BREAKING

- Scherk-Schwarz (SS) supersymmetry breaking of a five-dimensional (5D) theory compactified on  $S^1/\mathbb{Z}_2$  can be interpreted as spontaneous breaking of 5D local supersymmetry <sup>a</sup> by the Hosotani mechanism
- To interpret SS supersymmetry breaking as a Hosotani mechanism one has to go to the off-shell version of 5D N=1 SUGRA where  $SU(2)_R$  is gauged by auxiliary fields  $\vec{V}_M$
- Off-shell 5D SUGRA has recently been formulated <sup>b</sup>. Two multiplets are necessary: the minimal supergravity multiplet ( $40_B + 40_F$ ) and the tensor multiplet ( $8_B + 8_F$ ). Their parities are given in tables 1 and 2, respectively

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<sup>a</sup>G. Gersdorff and M. Quiros, hep-th/0110132

<sup>b</sup>M. Zucker, hep-th/9907082, hep-th/9909144, hep-th/0009083; T. Kugo and K. Ohashi, hep-ph/0006231, hep-ph/0010288, hep-th/0203276; +T. Fujita, hep-th/0106051

Table 1: Minimal supergravity multiplet

Field		$\mathbb{Z}_2 = +1$	$\mathbb{Z}_2 = -1$
$e_M^A$	graviton	$e_\mu^a, e_5^5$	$e_\mu^5, e_5^a$
$\psi_M$	gravitino	$\psi_{\mu L}^1, \psi_{5L}^2$	$\psi_{\mu L}^2, \psi_{5L}^1$
$B_M$	graviphoton	$B_5$	$B_\mu$
$\vec{V}_M$	$SU(2)_R$ -gauge	$V_\mu^3, V_5^{1,2}$	$V_5^3, V_\mu^{1,2}$
$v^{MN}$	antisymmetric	$v^{\mu 5}$	$v^{\mu\nu}$
$\vec{t}$	$SU(2)_R$ -triplet	$t^{1,2}$	$t^3$
$C$	real scalar	$C$	
$\zeta$	$SU(2)_R$ -doublet	$\zeta_L^1$	$\zeta_L^2$

Table 2: Tensor multiplet

Field	$\mathbb{Z}_2 = +1$	$\mathbb{Z}_2 = -1$
$\vec{Y}$	$Y^{1,2}$	$Y^3$
$B_{MNP}$	$B_{\mu\nu\rho}$	$B_{\mu\nu 5}$
$N$	$N$	
$\rho$	$\rho_L^1$	$\rho_L^2$

- Fields in the upper panel of table 1 are **physical fields** while those in the lower panel are **auxiliary fields**. Fields in table 2 are all of them auxiliary fields
- The auxiliary fields that are relevant for supersymmetry breaking are:  $V_5^{1,2}$ , that constitute the  $F$ -term of the radion superfield <sup>a</sup>,

$$\mathbb{T} = [T \equiv e_5^5 + iB_5, \psi_{5L}^2, V_5^1 + iV_5^2]$$

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<sup>a</sup>Z. Chacko and M.A. Luty, hep-ph/0008103; D. Marti and A. Pomarol, hep-th/0106256; D.E. Kaplan and N. Weiner, hep-ph/0108001

- In the background of  $V_5^2$  the **Goldstino** is identified with the fifth component of the gravitino:  $\psi_5$ . This is obvious from the local supersymmetry transformation,

$$\delta_\xi \psi_5 = \mathcal{D}_5 \xi + \dots = i\sigma^2 V_5^2 \xi + \dots$$

- The 5D kinetic term for the gravitino can be decomposed in four-dimensional and extra-dimensional components

- The redefinition

$$\psi_\mu = \psi'_\mu + \mathcal{D}_\mu (\mathcal{D}_5)^{-1} \psi_5$$

can be seen as a local supersymmetry transformation with parameter  $(\mathcal{D}_5)^{-1} \psi_5 \equiv \xi$ , gauging  $\psi_5$  away and giving a mass to the gravitino

- This defines a “**super-unitary**” gauge where  $\psi_5$  has been “eaten” by the four dimensional gravitino  $\psi_\mu$
- Using the coupling of  $V_5^2$  to the gravitino field through the **covariant derivative**  $\mathcal{D}_5$  in  $\mathcal{L}_{grav}$  one obtains the gravitino mass eigenvalues for the Kaluza-Klein modes

$$m_{3/2}^{(0)} \propto \langle V_5^2 \rangle$$

- If we define the 5D background metric as

$$ds^2 = G_{MN} dx^M dx^N = \phi^{-1/3} g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + \phi^{2/3} (dy)^2$$

the radion field is

$$T + \bar{T} = \phi^{1/3}$$

and the physical size of the fifth dimension is

$$R = L\phi^{1/3}$$

where  $L$  is an **unphysical** (arbitrary) length scale

- The gravitino zero mode acquires a mass given by

$$m_{3/2} = \frac{V_5^2}{\phi^{1/2}}$$

- In the absence of an external source of supersymmetry breaking  $\langle V_5^2 \rangle$  is **undetermined** at tree level but can be determined in the 5D theory at **one-loop** (**Hosotani breaking**). In that case the field equations of  $V_5^2$  will provide a functional relation of the form  $V_5^2 = V_5^2(\phi)$

- In the presence of an external source of supersymmetry breaking  $\langle V_5^2 \rangle$  will be **determined** in the 5D theory at **tree-level**

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In both cases we will use the Casimir energy to fix the VEV  $\langle \phi \rangle$

## FIXING THE SS ORDER PARAMETER

- The relevant terms in  $\mathcal{L}_{grav}$  involving  $V_M^2$  and  $B_{MNP}$  are

$$V_M^2 J^M - \frac{1}{12} \epsilon^{MNPQR} \partial_M V_N^2 B_{PQR} + W_A W^A$$

with

$$W^M = \frac{1}{12} \epsilon^{MNPQR} \partial_N B_{PQR} - J^M$$

- The field equations for the auxiliary fields yield

$$W_M = 0, \quad dV^2 = 0$$

which means that the form  $V^2$  is closed, not necessarily exact. A simple solution is

$$V_\mu^2 = 0, \quad V_5^2 = \omega/L$$

- The resulting on-shell Lagrangian is

$$V_5^2 J^5$$

corresponds to the previously shown gravitino mass



- The closed form  $V^2$  has a physical effect parametrized by the Wilson line

$$\oint dx^M V_M^2 = 2\pi\omega$$

where  $\omega$  is an arbitrary (undetermined at tree-level) constant field configuration. It should be determined from the (one-loop) Casimir energy and should be provided by

$$\omega = \omega(\phi)$$

- The function  $\omega(\phi)$  will be determined along with  $\langle\phi\rangle$  from the Casimir energy
- Non-renormalization theorems are of course respected since:
  - $V_0(\omega) \equiv 0$
  - $V_1(\omega = 0) = 0$

- If there are independent

sources of supersymmetry breaking

attached on the branes at  $y = 0, \pi L$  the VEV  $\langle V_5^2 \rangle$  can be fixed at tree-level.

- One can introduce the brane Lagrangian <sup>a</sup>

$$W^5 [2\pi\omega_0\delta(y) + 2\pi\omega_\pi\delta(y - \pi L)]$$

and consider  $W_M$  as independent variables by means of a Lagrange multiplier:  $\partial_M X (W^M + J^M)$

- The field equations lead to

$$V_5^2 = \partial_5 X + [2\pi\omega_0\delta(y) + 2\pi\omega_\pi\delta(y - \pi L)]$$

- The Wilson flux amounts to fixing  $\omega$

$$\omega = \omega_0 + \omega_\pi$$

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<sup>a</sup>J.A. Bagger, F. Feruglio and F. Zwirner, hep-th/0108010; R. Rattazzi, C. Scrucca and A. Strumia, hep-th/0305184

## RADION STABILIZATION<sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup>G.v. Gersdorff, A. Riotto and M. Quiros, in preparation

- We will consider the Casimir energy  $V_1 \oplus$  possible counterterms  $V_{ct}$  corresponding to a bulk cosmological constant and (common) brane tensions

$$\alpha \int d^5x \sqrt{G} + \frac{\beta}{2} \int d^5x \sqrt{\tilde{G}} [\delta(y) + \delta(y - \pi L)]$$

## MASSLESS BULK FIELDS

- Consider  $N_V$  vector multiplets and  $N_h$  hypermultiplets<sup>a</sup> in the bulk. The Casimir energy is

$$V_1 \propto (2 + N_V - N_h) \frac{1}{\phi^2}$$

- For  $2 + N_V - N_h > 0$  it gives rise to a repulsive force. It can be stabilized by counterterms  $\alpha > 0, \beta < 0$  (dS) that are **not** consistent with 5D supersymmetry
- For  $2 + N_V - N_h < 0$  it gives rise to an attractive force. It can not be stabilized

<sup>a</sup>G.v. Gersdorff, A. Riotto and M. Quiros, hep-th/0204041

## MASSIVE (QUASI-LOCALIZED) FIELDS

- In the presence of  $N_H$  hypermultiplets with a common odd-mass  $M$  the Casimir energy can be cast as <sup>a</sup>

$$V_1 \propto \frac{1}{x^6} f(\omega, x)$$

where

$$f = 3 \left[ Li_5(e^{2i\pi\omega}) - \zeta(5) + h.c. \right] + 4 \delta F(x)$$

with

$$\delta = \frac{N_H}{2 + N_V - N_h}, \quad F \simeq e^{-2x} (3 + 6x + 6x^2 + 4x^3)$$

and the variable  $x$  encodes the radion dependence

$$x = ML\pi\phi^{1/3}$$

- We are assuming  $2 + N_V - N_h > 0$  and the approximation where  $x > 1$

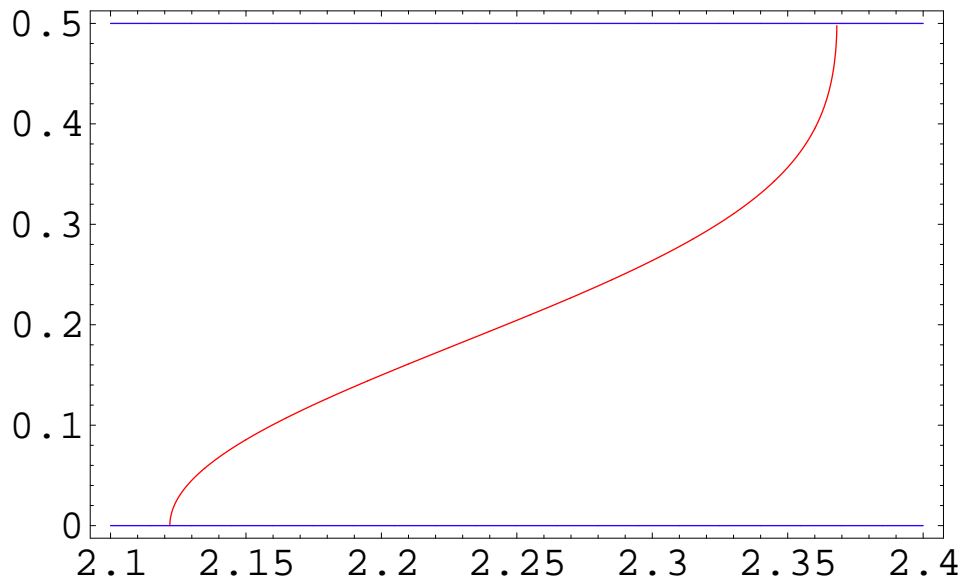
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<sup>a</sup>G.v. Gersdorff, L. Pilo, M. Quiros, D. Rayner, A. Riotto, hep-ph/0305218

- In the absence of supersymmetry breaking brane effects extremizing  $V_1$  gives the field equation

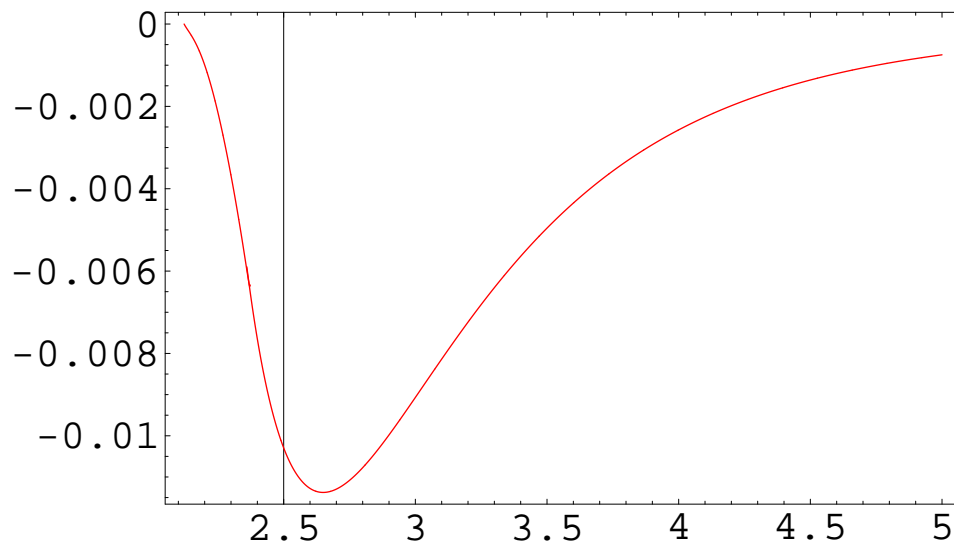
$$\omega = \begin{cases} 1/2, & x \geq x_1, & 9\zeta(3) = 4\delta F(x_1) \\ w(x), & x_0 < x < x_1 \\ 0, & x \leq x_0, & 3\zeta(3) = \delta F(x_0) \end{cases}$$

where the function  $w(x)$  is given (for  $\delta = 3$ ) by



- In the presence of supersymmetry breaking brane effects  $\omega = \omega_0$  is fixed and the Casimir energy should be minimized only with respect to the radion field

- In the absence of supersymmetry breaking brane effects the Casimir energy has a **non-trivial minimum** at  $x > x_1$
- For instance, for  $\delta = 3$

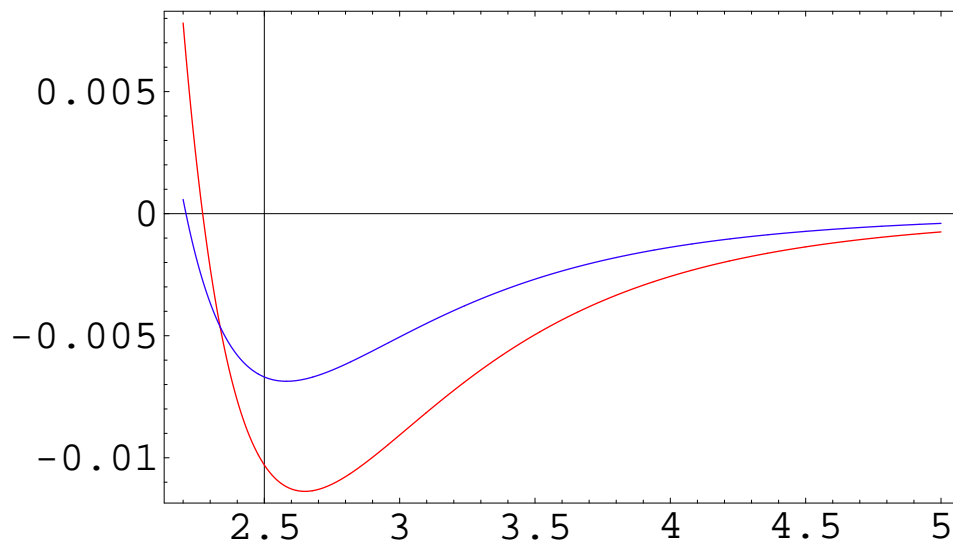


- Including counterterms consistent with 5D supersymmetry,  $\alpha < 0$  and  $\beta > 0$  (AdS) shifts the minimum towards larger values of  $x$



$$\omega(\langle x \rangle) = 1/2$$

- In the presence of supersymmetry breaking brane effects the Casimir energy has a **non-trivial minimum** at  $x(\omega_0)$  for the fixed value of  $\omega_0$
- For instance, for  $\omega_0 = 1/2, 1/4$



- Including counterterms consistent with 5D supersymmetry,  $\alpha < 0$  and  $\beta > 0$  (AdS) shifts the minimum towards larger values of  $x$

- In the presence of counterterms the effective potential becomes proportional to

$$V_{eff} = V_1 + (ax + b)/x^2$$

where the dimensionless parameters  $a$  and  $b$  are related to the 5D cosmological term and branes tension by

$$a = \frac{128\pi^2}{2 + N_V - N_h} \frac{\alpha}{M^5}, \quad b = \frac{64\pi^2}{2 + N_V - N_h} \frac{\beta}{M^4}$$

- The counterterm  $b$  is fine-tuned to make a zero 4D cosmological constant  $\langle V_{eff} \rangle = 0$
- The condition for 5D supersymmetry<sup>a</sup> translates into

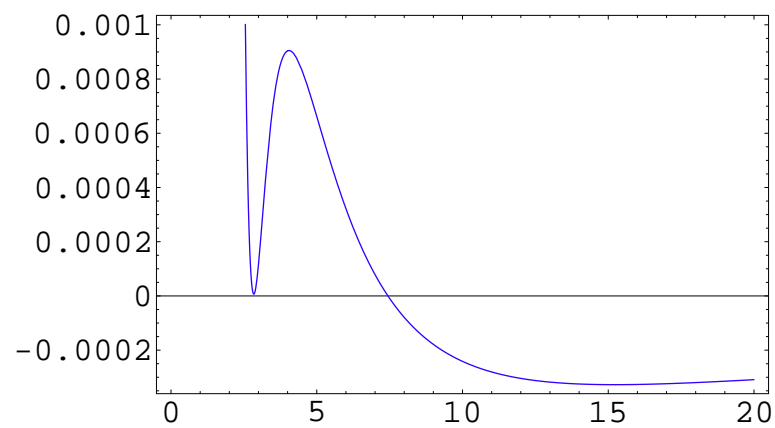
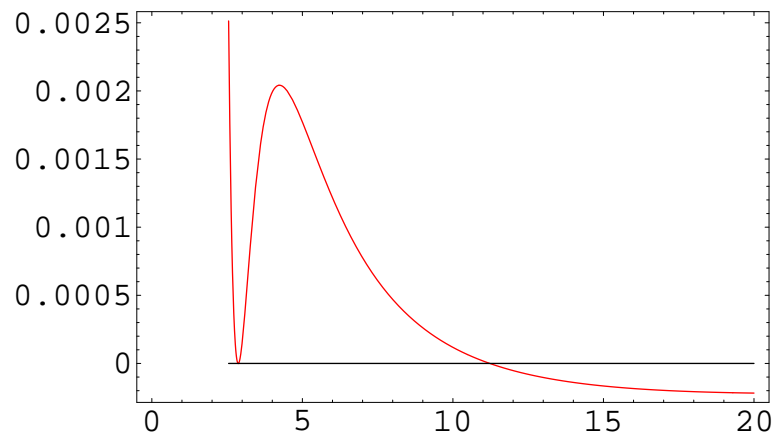
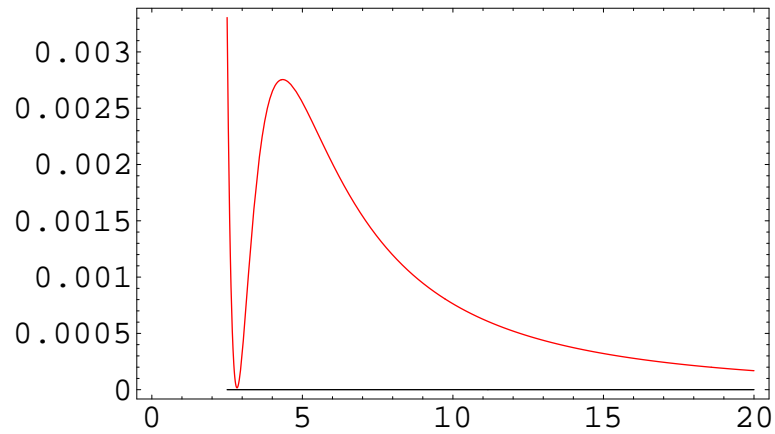
$$\frac{1}{8\pi} \frac{M}{M_5} \leq \left[ \frac{-3a}{2(2 + N_V - N_h)\pi b^2} \right]^{1/3}$$

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<sup>a</sup>J. Bagger and D. Belyaev, hep-th/0206024



- The effective potential for  $\omega = 1/2$ ,  
 $a = 0.001, 0.01$  and for  $\omega = 1/4$ ,  $a = 0.01$



## CONCLUSIONS

- Scherk-Schwarz supersymmetry breaking is a spontaneous breaking of local supersymmetry when the auxiliary field  $\langle V_5^2 \rangle \neq 0$  and  $\psi_5$  is the Goldstino
- $\langle V_5^2 \rangle$  should be fixed by the 5D theory. If there is a brane source for supersymmetry breaking,  $\langle V_5^2 \rangle$  is fixed at tree-level
- Otherwise matching of 5D and 4D theories is done at one-loop
- If only (massless) bulk fields are present, the Casimir energy can not stabilize the radion consistently with 5D supergravity
- In the presence of massive (quasi-localized) bulk fields the Casimir energy stabilizes the radion VEV consistently with 5D supergravity

- The scale problem

$$M_{Pl}^2 = M_5^3 R$$

with  $R \sim 1/\text{TeV}$  requires a cutoff much below  $M_5$ . This can appear for instance in “little string theory” at the TeV

$$M_5^3 \simeq \frac{M_s^3}{g_s^2}$$

with  $M_s$  (the string scale) in the multi-TeV range and the string coupling  $g_s \ll 1$ . In a class of string theories <sup>a</sup> the gauge coupling has a geometrical origin and it is thus unrelated to the string coupling

- The bulk cosmological constant is then negligible in  $M_5$  units (but consistent with 5D supergravity) and prevent the tunneling from the Minkowski vacuum to the AdS vacuum

- In that case also the backreaction on the metric is negligible

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<sup>a</sup>I. Antoniadis, S. Dimopoulos and A. Giveon, hep-th/010333