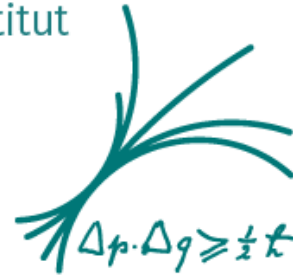




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The **gravitino mass** and **extra dimensions**

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To unify **Quantum Field Theory (QFT)** and **General Relativity (GR)**, and to address difficult fundamental questions such as **Black Hole interior** and **“big bang” singularity**.

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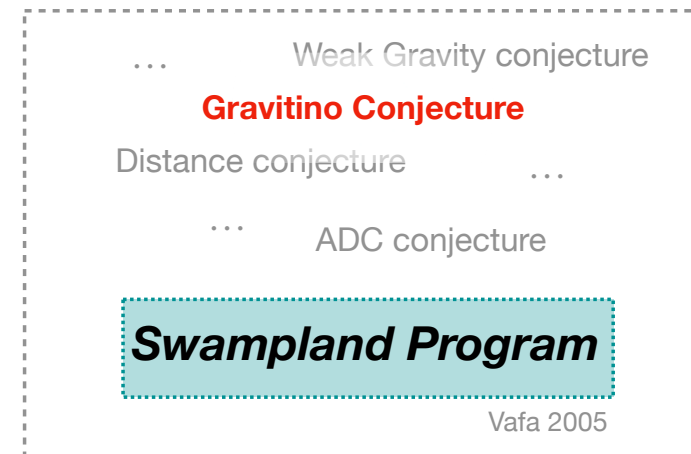
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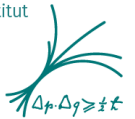
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Based on LHC results showing no evidence
of superpartners. Particle Data Group 2022

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- **The mass of the gravitino** $m_{3/2}$, the supersymmetric partner of the graviton, **sets** the scale of **SUSY breaking** in a quasi-flat spacetime, as observed today.

We are interested in exploring phenomenological connections between $m_{3/2}$ and EDs.

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$$l^{-1} \sim (m_{3/2})^n$$

..... → n is an $\mathcal{O}(1)$ parameter.

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Purposes:

- To **refine the previous relation** by linking the parameter n to the number of **mesoscopic** EDs p .

$$p = 1, \dots, 6$$

- To **find constraints on n** via **supergravity models**.

- To **draw scenarios** concerning **interesting phenomenological predictions** for the size l and number p of EDs in terms of the **gravitino mass $m_{3/2}$** and viceversa.

Upshot:



We listed those predictions concerning the **SUSY breaking scale** and **EDs**.

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- Upper bounds: $M_{SUSY} \leq \Lambda_{sp}$ (**UV cutoff**).

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Note: torsion-balance experiments for extra dimensional gravitational signatures like the one in (Lee, Adelberger, Cook, Fleisher, Heckel 2020).

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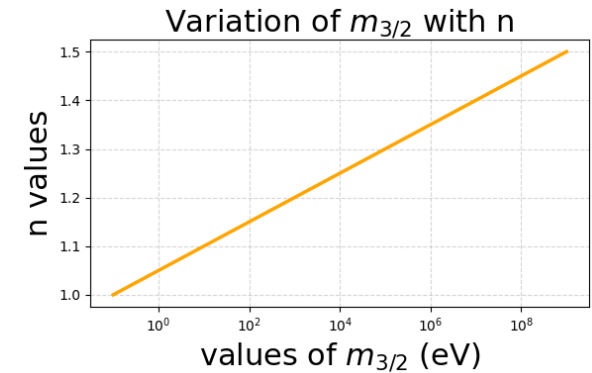
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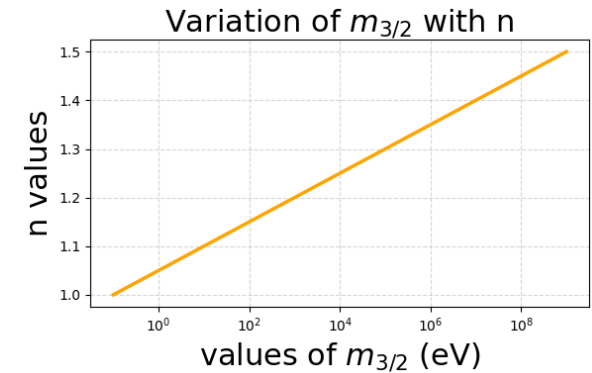
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- **Scenarios with larger gravitino mass**

$m_{3/2} \sim 10^5 \text{ GeV}$

- Wide range of possible scenarios **across all values** of p .
- All of them require **small EDs**.

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- Scenarios with larger gravitino mass - Tables

IIA: $m_{3/2} = 10^5 \text{ GeV}$ and $M_{SUSY} = 10^{11} \text{ GeV}$

p values	n values	$l(m)$	species scale (GeV)
1	$\frac{1}{3} < n \leq \frac{3}{2}$	$2.32 \cdot 10^{-30} - 9.84 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$8.06 \cdot 10^{16} - 4.98 \cdot 10^{11} \sim M_{SUSY}$
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4	$\frac{1}{3} < n \leq \frac{3}{4}$	$2.32 \cdot 10^{-30} - 8.86 \cdot 10^{-25}$	$2.62 \cdot 10^{15} - 4.98 \cdot 10^{11}$
5	$\frac{1}{3} < n \leq \frac{7}{10}$	$2.32 \cdot 10^{-30} - 1.89 \cdot 10^{-25}$	$1.60 \cdot 10^{15} - 4.98 \cdot 10^{11}$
6	$\frac{1}{3} < n \leq \frac{2}{3}$	$2.32 \cdot 10^{-30} - 6.78 \cdot 10^{-26}$	$1.11 \cdot 10^{15} - 4.98 \cdot 10^{11}$

IIB: $m_{3/2} = 10^5 \text{ GeV}$ and $M_{SUSY} = 10^{11} \text{ GeV}$

p values	n values	$l(m)$	species scale (GeV)
1	$\frac{1}{4} < n \leq \frac{3}{2}$	$1.78 \cdot 10^{-31} - 9.84 \cdot 10^{-15}$	$1.90 \cdot 10^{17} - 4.98 \cdot 10^{11} \sim M_{SUSY}$
2	$\frac{1}{3} < n \leq 1$	$2.32 \cdot 10^{-30} - 1.98 \cdot 10^{-21}$	$1.90 \cdot 10^{17} - 4.98 \cdot 10^{11}$
3	$\frac{5}{12} < n \leq \frac{5}{6}$	$3.04 \cdot 10^{-29} - 1.16 \cdot 10^{-23}$	$1.11 \cdot 10^{15} - 4.98 \cdot 10^{11}$
4	$\frac{1}{2} < n \leq \frac{3}{4}$	$3.97 \cdot 10^{-28} - 8.86 \cdot 10^{-25}$	$8.5 \cdot 10^{13} - 4.98 \cdot 10^{11}$
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Summary



- Assuming the **Gravitino Conjecture**:
 - We can make **valuable predictions regarding SUSY** by **observing EDs** and viceversa.
- The connection is exploited by using **String Compactification results**:
 - The internal manifold's volume impacts **Kähler prefactors**.
 - Including $l, m_{3/2} \propto \mathcal{V}_p$ in $l^{-1} \sim (m_{3/2})^n$ leads to **bounds on n** .
- We collected **Phenomenological implications** in scenarios.
- We performed calculations without considering any proportionality parameter in $l^{-1} \sim (m_{3/2})^n$.

Outlook



- We found phenomenologically interesting scenarios that are similar to the **ADD model**.

Arkani-Hamed, Dimopoulos, Dvali 1998

- In the prediction extrapolated for $p = 1$ and $l \sim \mu m$ we found a phenomenologically viable scenario similar to the **Dark Dimension scenario**.

Montero, Vafa, Valenzuela 2022

- It would be interesting to study how our findings in SUSY-breaking scale may change cosmological predictions (e.g. **Dark Matter candidates**, conditions for **Primordial Black Holes** formation, number of light species).

Obied, Dvorkin, Gonzalo Vafa 2023

Anchordoqui, Antoniadis, Lüst 2022

- It would be interesting to understand **Black Hole instabilities**, such as Gregory-Laflamme, in relation to scenarios with large extra dimensions for possible additional phenomenological constraints.



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Thank you for your attention!

This work and other aspects are unpublished yet, [Scalisi, LB, Masias] to appear.

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