

Extra Dimensions, the LHC & the Cosmological Constant Problem



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Why extra dimensions must be
large and supersymmetric



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A. Conan Doyle

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- *More generally: back-reaction for higher codimension objects is a very promising, but largely unexplored area*

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- Opportunities and concerns

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- The
- Ideas for what lies beyond the Standard Model are largely driven by ‘technical naturalness’.
 - Motivated by belief SM is an effective field theory.

$$L_{SM} = m^2_0 H^* H + \text{dimensionless}$$

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$$m^2 = m^2_0 + \text{higher order} \sim (126 \text{ GeV})^2$$

Hierarchy problems

- But the SM has another unnatural parameter
 - Even more unnatural than the EW hierarchy.

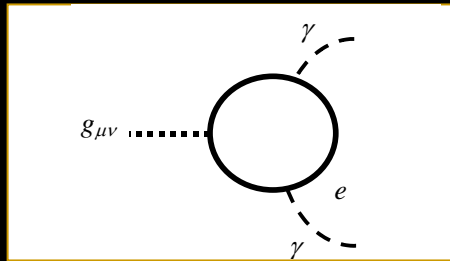
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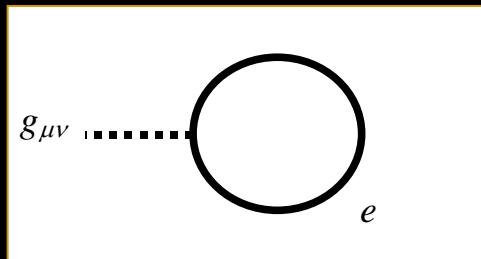
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Why this?



How do you change properties of *low-energy* particles (like the electron) so that their zero-point energy does not gravitate, *even though quantum effects do gravitate in atoms!*

But not this?



Must change only gravity and not any of their other well-tested properties.

Hierarchy problems

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- The
- Where does absence of a technically natural cc take us as a field?
 - Abandon naturalness as a criterion (and along with it motivations for supersymmetry, technicolour, etc...)?

- The



*Extra dimensions
can help*

Helpful extra dimensions

- General arguments
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- The Problem:
 - Einstein's equations make a lorentz-invariant vacuum energy (*which is generically large*) an obstruction to a close-to-flat spacetime (*which we see around us*)

$$T_{\mu\nu} = \lambda g_{\mu\nu}$$

$$G_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu}$$

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Helpful extra dimensions

Arkani-Hamed et al
Kachru et al
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But this need not be true if there are more than 4 dimensions!!

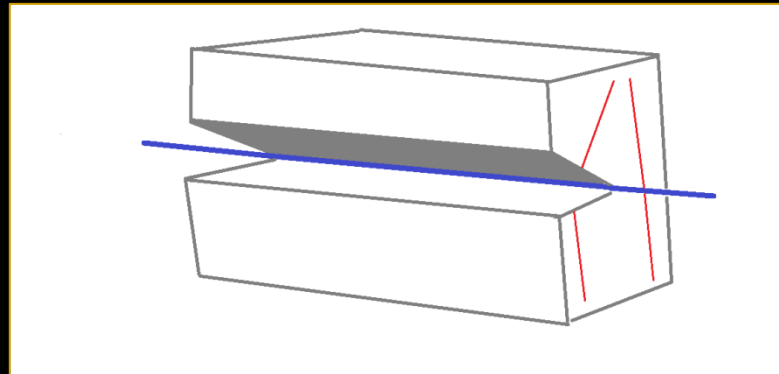
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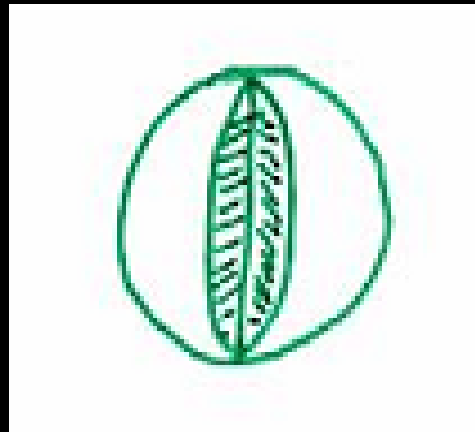
- Why not?
 - Need not be lorentz invariant in the extra dimensions
 - Vacuum energy might curve extra dimensions, rather than the ones we see (eg gravity field of a cosmic string)



Helpful extra dimensions

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- A higher-dimensional analog:
 - Similar (*classical*) examples also with a 4D brane in two extra dimensions: *e.g. the rugby ball and related solutions*

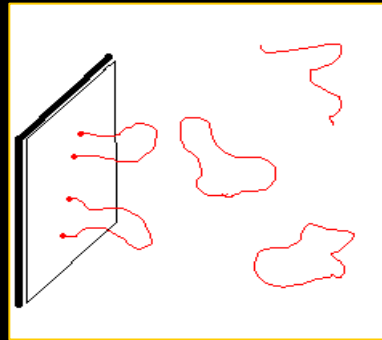


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*Rubakov & Shaposhnikov
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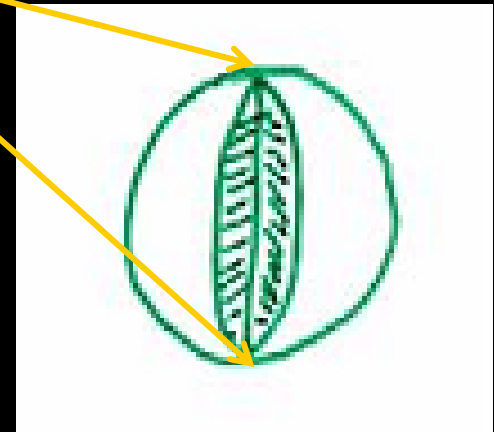
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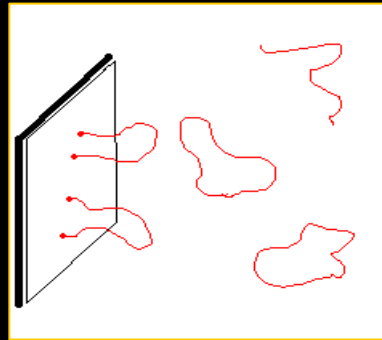
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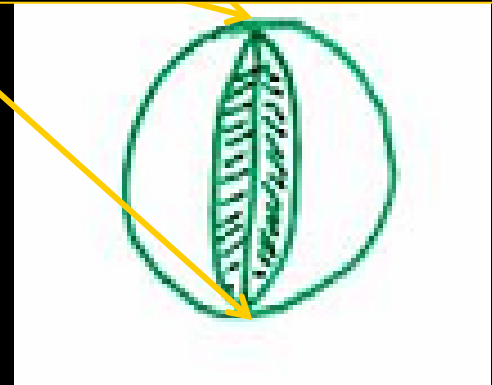
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Notice: *this framework manages to modify how things gravitate without strongly modifying other interactions*



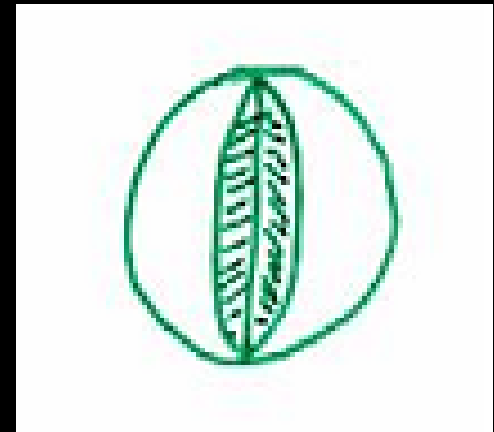
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Chen, Luty & Ponton

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$$R = -2\kappa^2 \sum T_i \delta^2(x_i)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4\text{D cc} &= \sum T_i + \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^2x R \\ &= 0 \text{ for all } T_i \end{aligned}$$



Helpful extra dimensions

Adelberger et al

- Ge
- A higher-dimensional a
 - Similar (*classical*) exam two extra dimensions: e.
- Requires:
 - *Radius as large as microns*

Remarkably: *this is possible if they are smaller than $45 \mu\text{m}$ and particles stuck on branes*



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 - Similar (*classical*) examples with two extra dimensions: e.g. a sphere
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 - At most two dimensions
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Remarkably: *consistent with EW hierarchy if precisely two dimensions this large since $M_p = M_g^2 r$*



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*Golberger & Wise
CB, de Rham,
van Nierop, Tasinato*

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Otherwise bulk cannot respond to branes.
Technical difficulty: bulk fields diverge at brane positions



Helpful extra dimensions

Aghababaie et al

- Geometric
- A higher-dimensional analog
 - Similar (classical) examples with two extra dimensions: e.g. Kaluza-Klein
- Requires:
 - Radius as large as microns
 - At most two dimensions
 - Back-reaction of the branes
 - Supersymmetry in extra dims
- An

For several reasons, including forbidding a cosmological constant in higher dimensions



Helpful extra dimensions

- General arguments
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- Must re-ask the cosmological constant problem:
 - Some choices for the branes make the resulting on-brane geometry flat (classically), but other known choices do not: must identify the ‘flat’ choices.
 - Once flat choices are made in UV, *do they stay made* at the quantum level as successive scales are integrated out?
- Ge
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Helpful extra dimensions

Nishino, Sezgin

- 6D Einstein-Maxwell-scalar system

$$L = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} [R + (\partial\phi)^2] + e^{-a\phi} F_{mn} F^{mn} + V(\phi)$$

Two cases (both with flat directions):

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dS sign

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- Exact classical result (for SUSY case): *if*

$$ds^2 = e^{2W} \hat{g}_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + dr^2 + e^{2B} d\theta^2$$

then

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Gibbons, Guven & Pope

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In particular,

$$\hat{R} = 0 \text{ if } n \cdot \nabla \phi = 0$$

at the brane positions

(All such solutions

are explicitly known)

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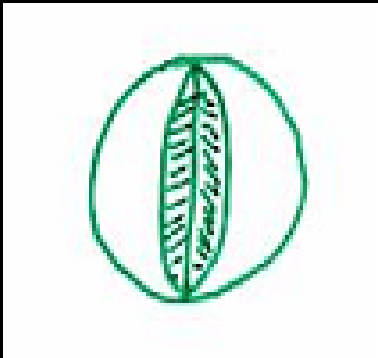
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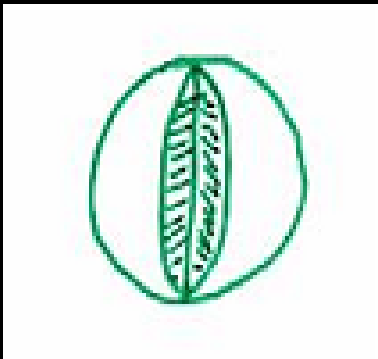
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Magnetic flux required
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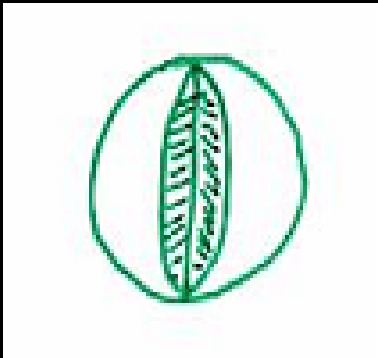
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Labels flat direction
(which exists due to
shift symmetry or scale
invariance)

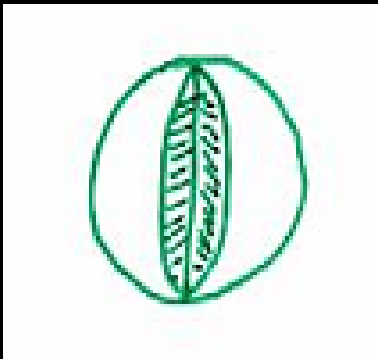
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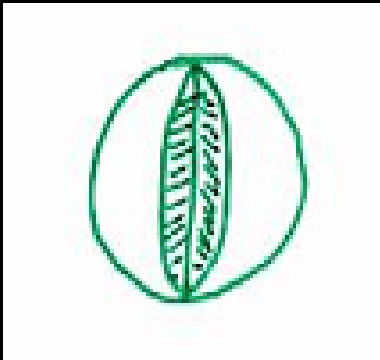
For later: notice radius is exponential in the flat direction ϕ_0 in the SUSY case

Helpful extra dimensions

- Simple solution (including back-reaction)

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$$1 - \alpha = \frac{\kappa^2 T}{2\pi}$$

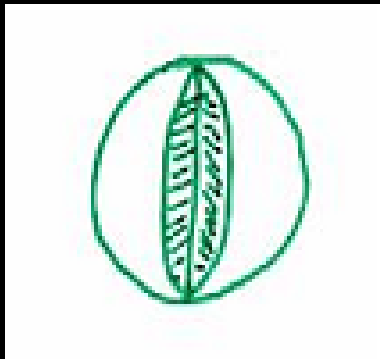
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Field equations

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Flux quantization

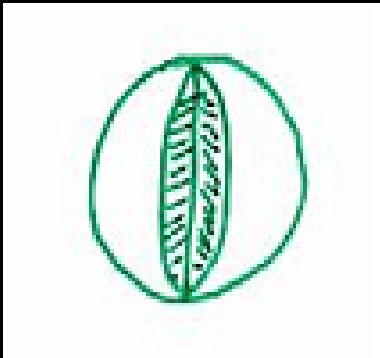
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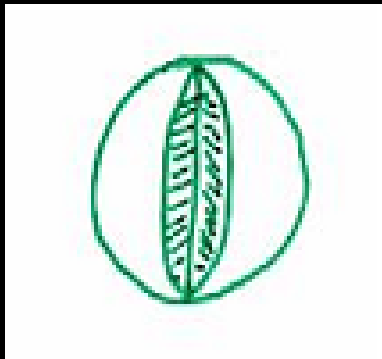
$$\frac{1}{L^2} = \frac{8\alpha^2 g^2}{3n^2 \kappa^2} \left[1 \mp \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{3n^2 \kappa^4 \Lambda}{8\alpha^2 g^2} \right)} \right]$$

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$$\text{Tune } \Lambda = \frac{Q^2}{2} \quad \text{so } \hat{R} = 0$$

$$\text{If } T \rightarrow T + \delta T \text{ then } \hat{R} \rightarrow -\frac{\kappa^2 \rho}{\pi \alpha L^2} \quad \text{where } \rho = 2 \delta T$$

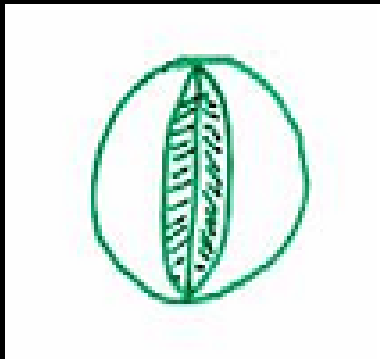
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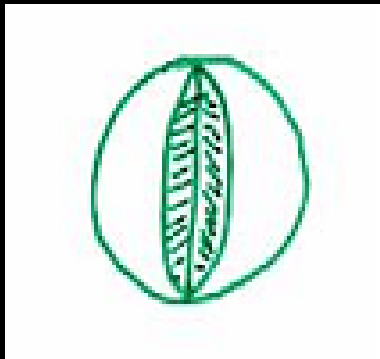
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Salam & Sezgin

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On-source geometry is always flat.

Noticed in mid-80s in special case where $n = \alpha = 1$, in which case:

$$L = \sqrt{g} [R + e^{-\phi} F^2 + e^{\phi}]$$

with $R = -1/r^2$ and $F = 1/r^2$

$$\text{gives } L = r^2 e^{-\phi} [e^{\phi} - 1/r^2]^2$$

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Helpful extra dimensions

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- On other hand, general argument:

$$\rho = \int dV L_{bulk} = -\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int dV \partial^2 \phi = \oint dS n \cdot \partial \phi \propto \frac{\partial T}{\partial \phi}$$

Helpful extra dimensions

CB & van Nierop

- Resolution: subdominant effects in the brane action are important for flux quantization

$$\text{if } L_b = T_b(\phi) + \Phi_b(\phi) *F + \dots$$

$$\frac{n}{g} = \int F + \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_b \Phi_b e^\phi$$

- New function Φ has interpretation as brane-localized flux

Helpful extra dimensions

- Energetics of perturbations: *explore the ansatz*

$$ds^2 = e^{2W} \hat{g}_{mn} dx^m dx^n + dr^2 + e^{2B} d\theta^2$$

$$F_{r\theta} = Q e^{B-4W} \quad \phi = \phi(r)$$

Helpful extra dimensions

- Perturb brane properties

$$T \rightarrow T + \delta T(\phi)$$

- To evade time-dependence add current

$$\Delta L_{bulk} = J\phi \quad \text{or} \quad \Delta L_{bulk} = J$$

- Find general solution to linearized equations

$$\kappa^2 J L^2 \ll 1$$

Helpful extra dimensions

- Sample solutions

$$\delta W = W_0 + W_1 \cos\left(\frac{r}{L}\right)$$

$$\delta\phi = \phi_0 + \phi_1 \ln\left(\frac{1 - \cos(r/L)}{\sin(r/L)}\right) - \kappa^2 J L^2 \ln\left[\sin\left(\frac{r}{L}\right)\right]$$

and so on

Helpful extra dimensions

*CB, Hoover & Tasinato
Bayntun, CB, van Nierop*

- Brane-bulk boundary conditions:

$$(e^B \phi')_b = \frac{\kappa^2}{2\pi} \left(\frac{\partial L_b}{\partial \phi} \right)$$

$$(e^B W')_b = \frac{\kappa^2}{4\pi} \left(\frac{\partial L_b}{\partial g_{\theta\theta}} \right) = U_b$$

$$(e^B B' - 1)_b = -\frac{\kappa^2}{2\pi} \left[\left(\frac{\partial L_b}{\partial \phi} + \frac{3}{2} \frac{\partial L_b}{\partial g_{\theta\theta}} \right) \right]$$

$$\text{Constraint: } 4U_b [2 - 2L_b - 3U_b] - \left(\frac{\partial L_b}{\partial \phi} \right)^2 = 0$$

Helpful extra dimensions

- Non-SUSY result:

$$V_{eff}(\phi) = \phi \int \frac{d\phi}{\phi^2} \left[\frac{\pi\alpha L^2 \hat{R}(\phi)}{\kappa^2} \right]$$

$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \sum_b \delta T_b - Q \delta \Phi_b \right]_{\phi_*} = 0$$

$$\rho = \left[\sum_b \delta T_b - 2Q \delta \Phi_b \right]_{\phi_*}$$

This is $\delta \mathcal{L}_b$
while
this is *not*

Helpful extra dimensions

- SUSY result:

$$\left[\delta T_b - 2Q\delta\Phi_b + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial\phi} \sum_b \delta T_b - Q\delta\Phi_b \right]_{\phi_*} = 0$$

ie Einstein frame potential: $V = U(\phi)e^{2\phi}$

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Agrees with
general result
given earlier



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As required by Weinberg's no-go theorem

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Case 2: exponentially large volume:

$\delta T_b = A + B (\phi + v)^2$ with $v \sim 50$ then $r = L e^{-\phi/2} \gg L$

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Case 3: parametrically small vacuum energy:

If brane action completely independent of ϕ then $\rho = 0$

and ϕ_* adjusts to satisfy flux quantization condition

$$\frac{n}{g} = \int F + \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_b \Phi_b e^\phi$$

Helpful extra dimensions

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- What about loops?
 - Pure brane loops have no effect on curvature because they cannot generate a dilaton coupling to the brane
 - Each bulk loop comes with a factor of $e^{2\phi}$ (since this is the loop-counting parameter), but flux stabilization relates this to the radius by $e^{2\phi} = 1/r^4$ making the cc equal the KK scale.
- An

Helpful extra dimensions

- Short-wavelength loops in the bulk (eg particle of mass M) generate local terms in both the bulk effective action

$$L_B + \delta L_B = \left[\frac{2g_R^2}{\kappa^2} e^\phi + a_1 M^6 e^{3\phi} + \dots \right] \\ + \left[\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} + b_1 M^4 e^{2\phi} + \dots \right] R \\ + \left[c_1 M^2 e^\phi + \dots \right] R^2 + \dots$$

and source actions

$$L_b + \delta L_b = T_0 + t_1 M^4 e^{2\phi} + \dots$$

Helpful extra dimensions

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This generates the following potential as a function of the zero mode, $e^\phi = 1/r^2$

$$V(r) = A_{-1}M^6r^2 + A_0M^4 + \frac{A_1M^2}{r^2} + \frac{A_2}{r^4} + \dots$$

with $A_{-1} \cong a_1 e^{3\phi} \cong \frac{a_1}{(Mr)^6},$

$$A_0 \cong b_1 e^{2\phi} \cong \frac{b_1}{(Mr)^4},$$

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and so $V(r) \cong \frac{k}{r^4} + \dots$

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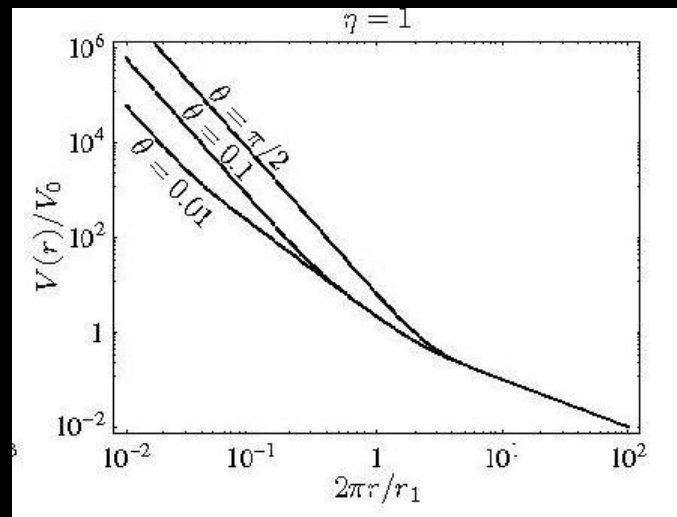
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- *eg: string and KK states (for 'other' 4 dimensions) have*

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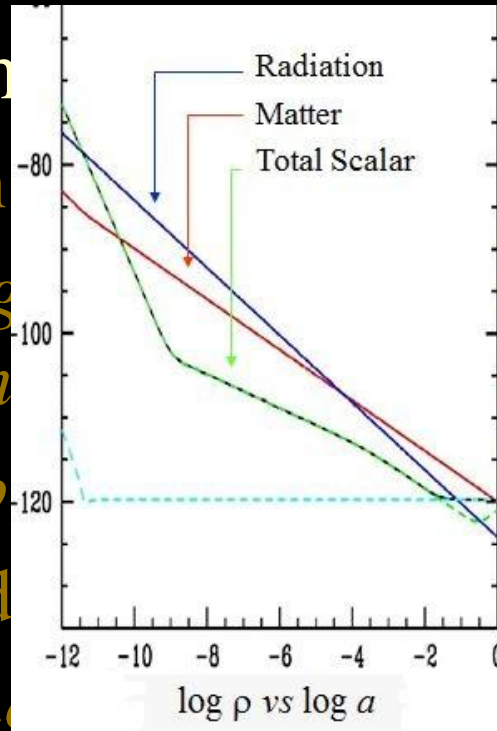
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A. Conan Doyle

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Singularity can be interpreted as presence of a second brane whose tension T_2 need be negative. This is a hidden fine tuning:

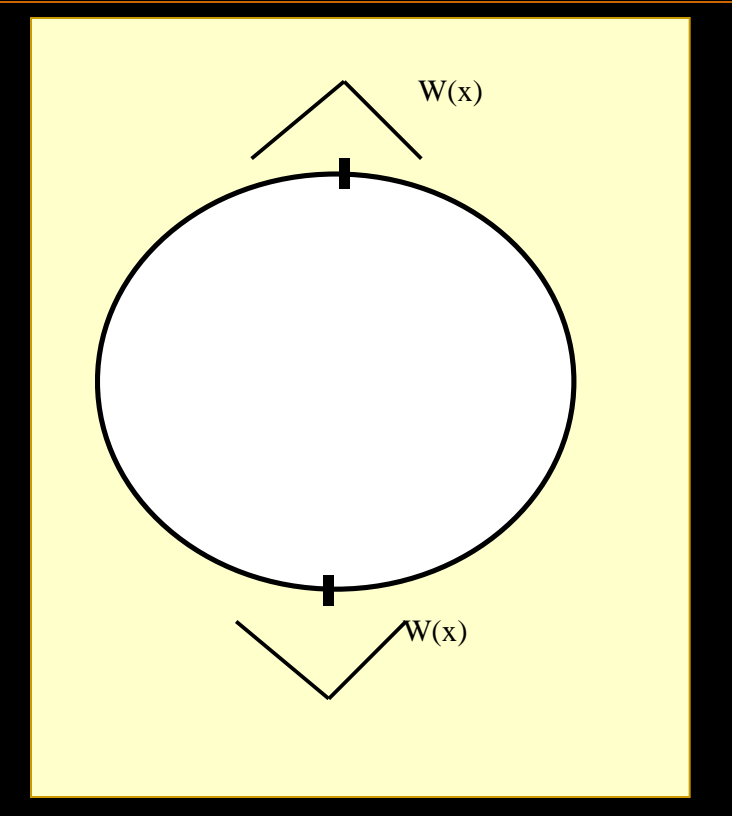
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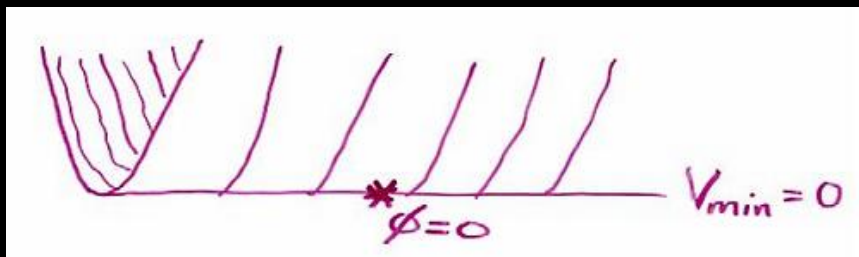
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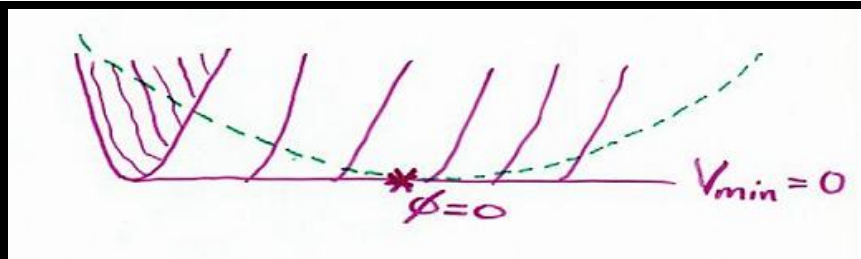
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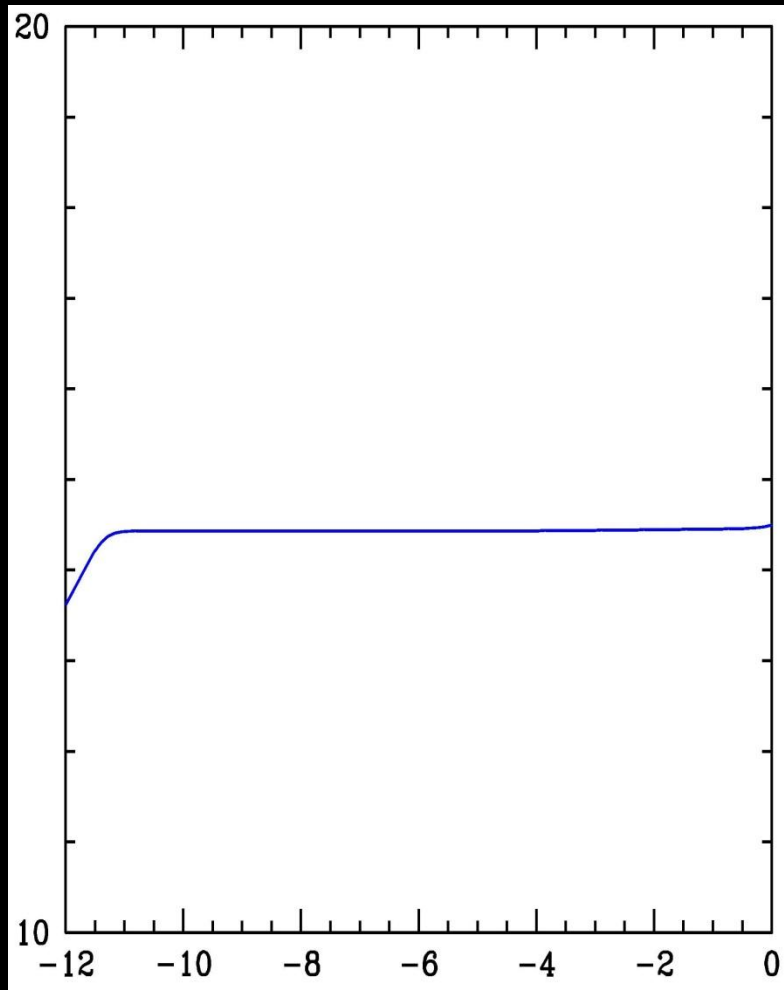
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Given a potential of the form

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then $c_0 = c_1 = 0$ ensures both small mass and small dark energy.

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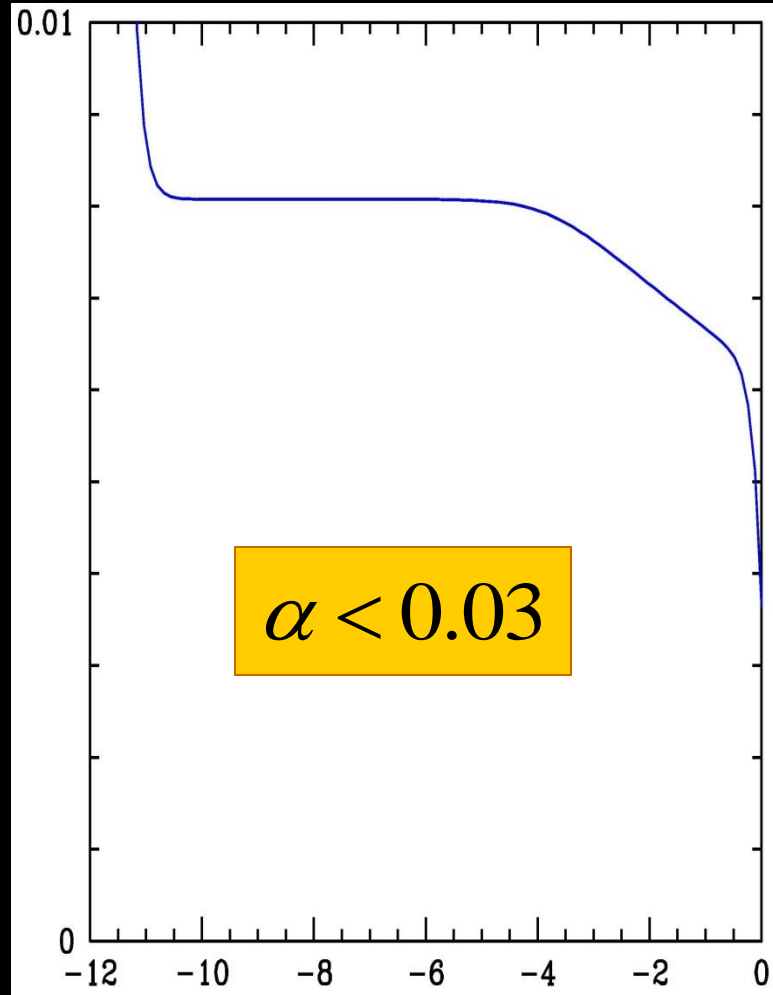
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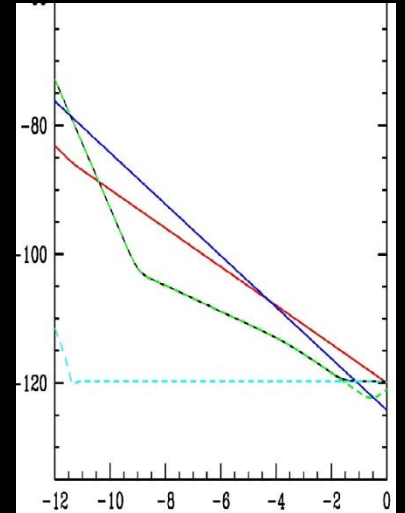
Yes, and this is how the scale $M \sim 10 \text{ TeV}$ for gravity in the extra dimensions is obtained.

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- *Observational tests*

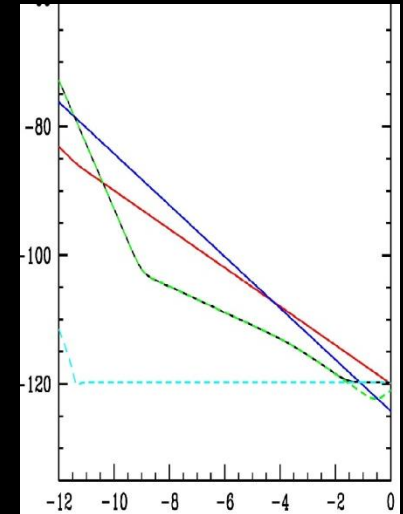
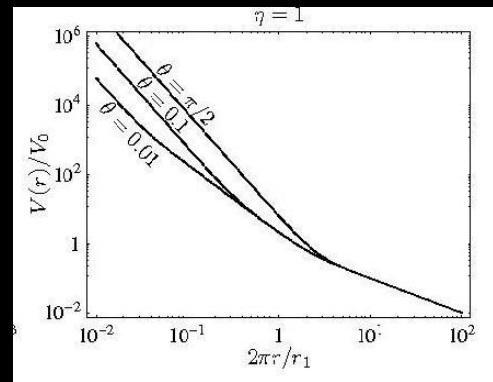
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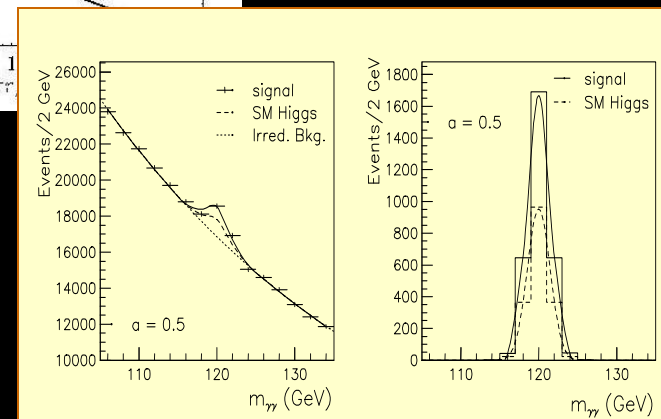
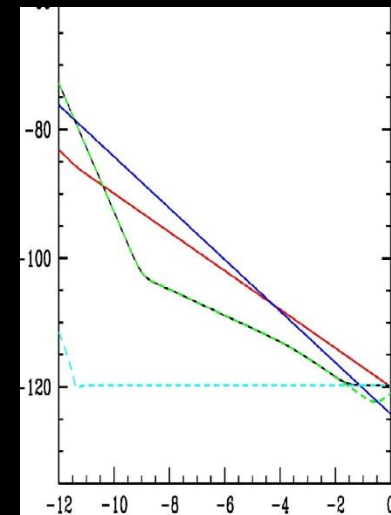
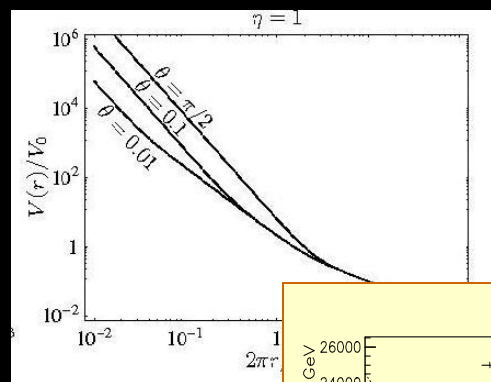
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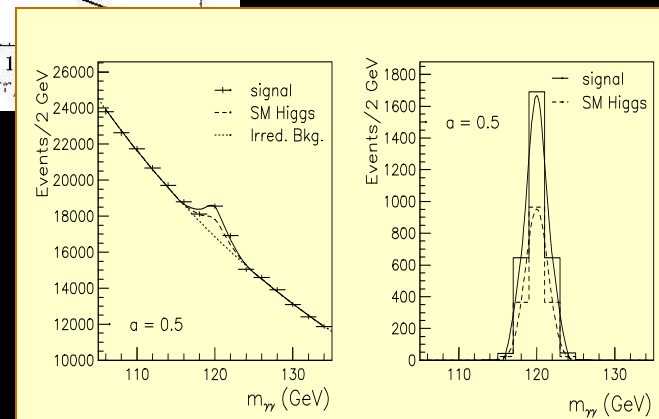
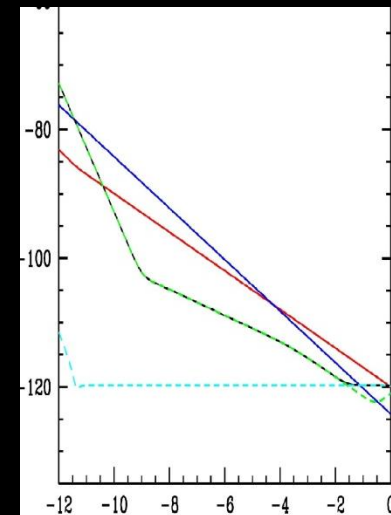
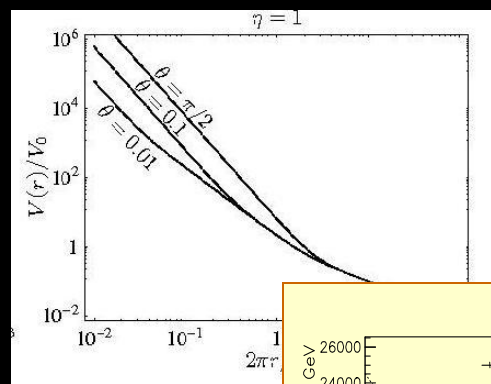
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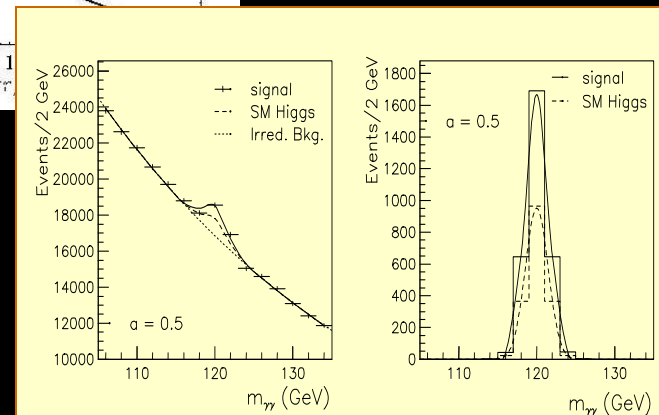
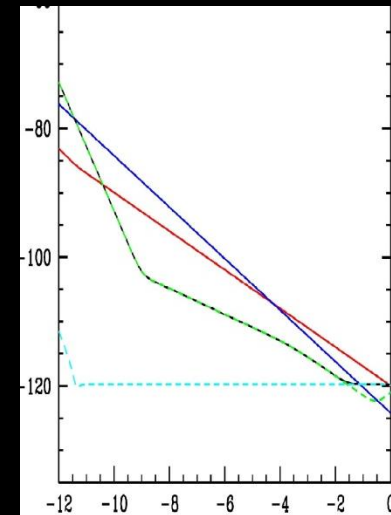
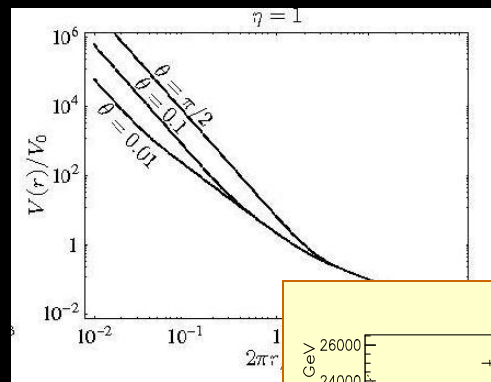
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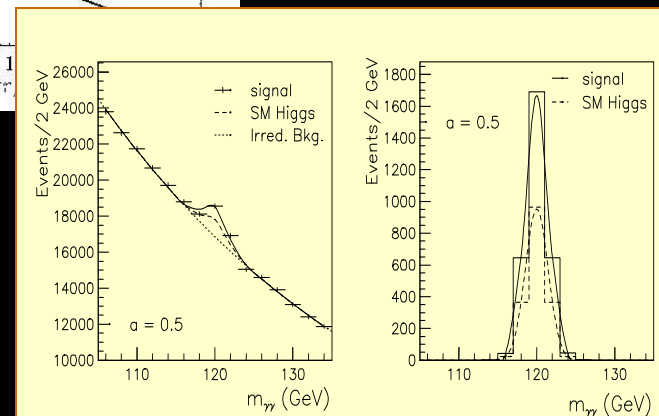
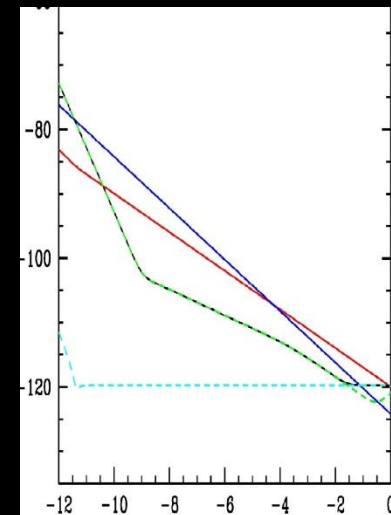
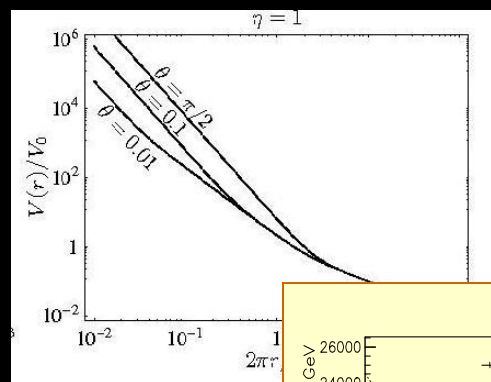
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 - Astrophysics
- *Quantum vacuum energy lifts flat direction.*
 - *Specific types of scalar interactions are predicted.*
 - *Includes the Albrecht-Skordis type of potential*
 - *Preliminary studies indicate it is possible to have viable cosmology:*
 - *Changing G ; BBN; ...*

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$$V = [a + b \log(rM) + c \log^2(rM)] \left(\frac{1}{r^4} \right)$$

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Potential domination when:

$$V' \approx 0 \quad \text{if} \quad rM \approx \exp(a/b)$$

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Canonical Variables:

$$L_{kin} = M_p^2 \frac{(\partial r)^2}{r^2}$$

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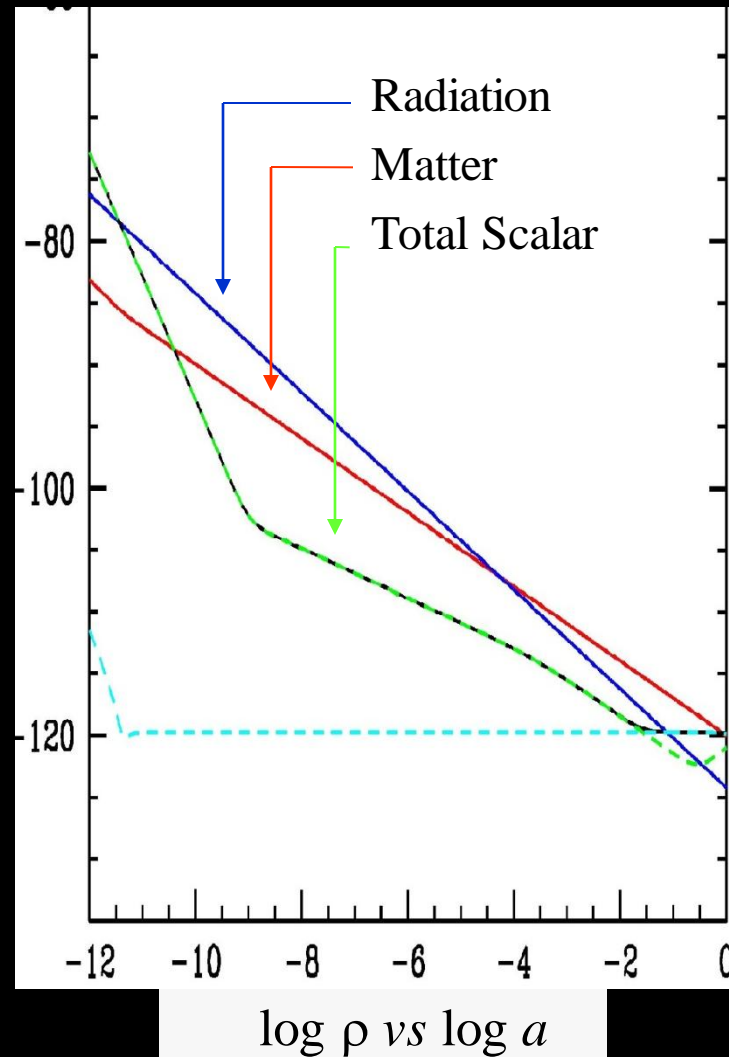
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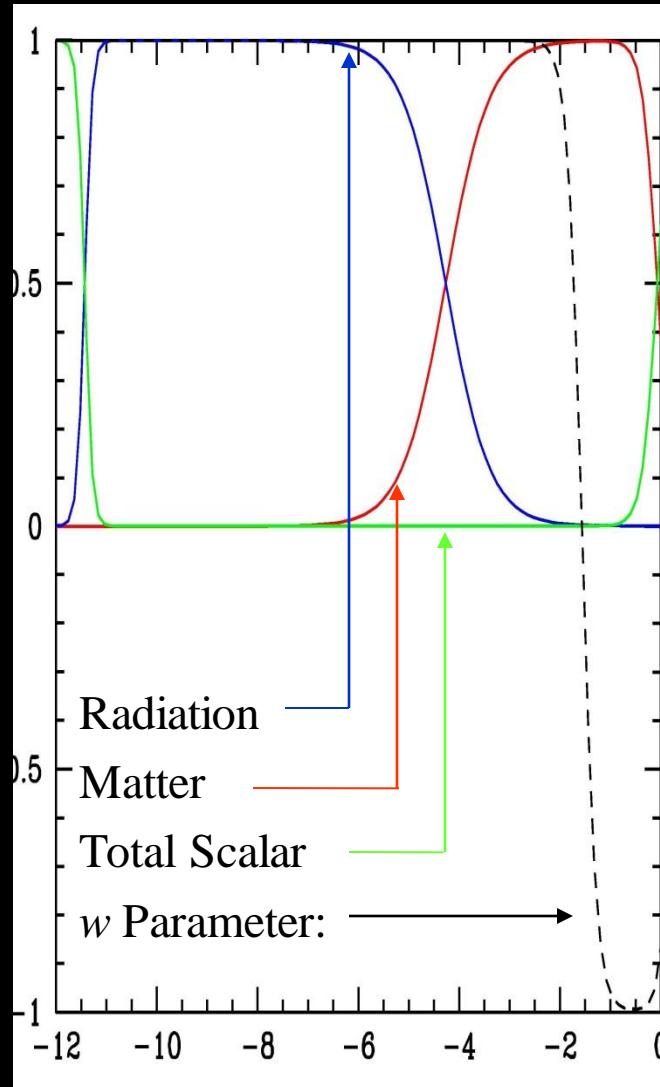
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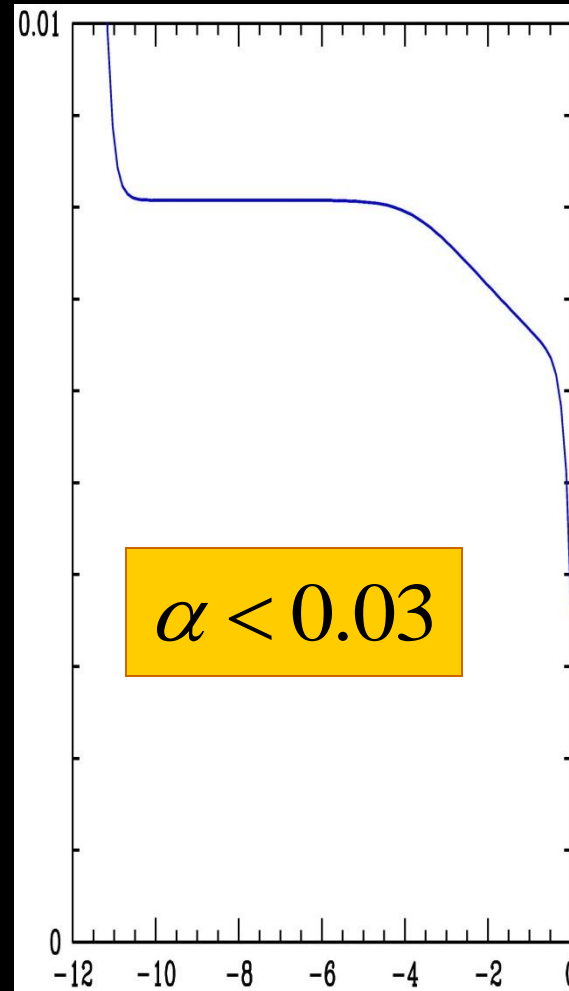
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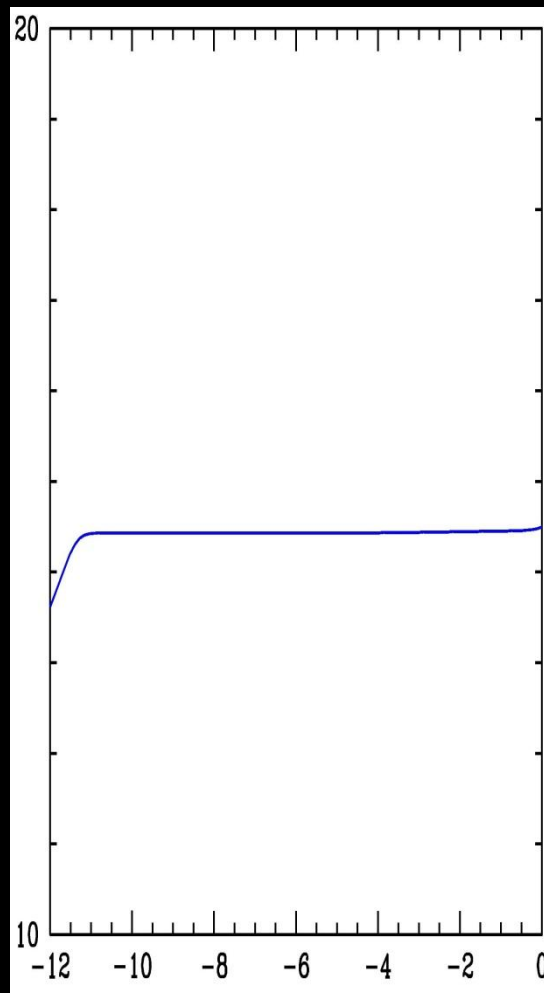
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 - *Modifications to gravity*
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- *At small distances:*
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 - *At large distances*
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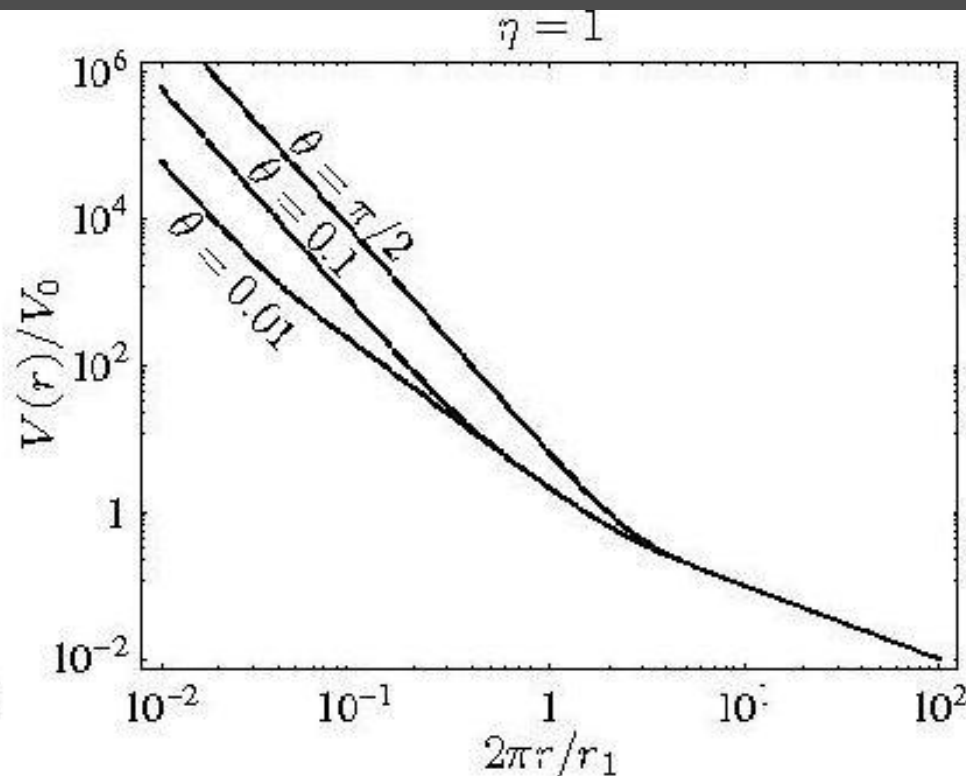
- Quintessence cosmology

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Observational Consequences

- Quintessence cosmology
 - Modifications to gravity
 - *Collider physics*
 - Neutrino physics
 - Astrophysics
- *Not the MSSM!*
 - *No superpartners*
 - *Bulk scale bounded by astrophysics*
 - *$M_g \sim 10 \text{ TeV}$*
 - *Many channels for losing energy to KK modes*
 - *Scalars, fermions, vectors live in the bulk*

Observational Consequences

- Quintessence cosmology

- Modified gravity

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M_g _____

M_s _____

M_{KK} _____

- *Can there be observable signals if $M_g \sim 10 \text{ TeV}$?*

- *Must hit new states before $E \sim M_g$. Eg: string and KK states have $M_{KK} < M_s < M_g$*
- *Dimensionless couplings to bulk scalars are unsuppressed by M_g*

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Dimensionless coupling!
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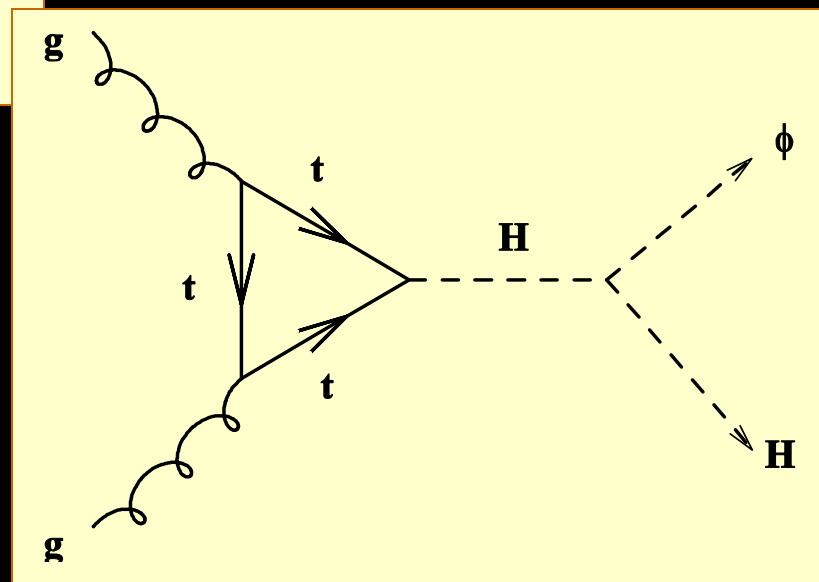
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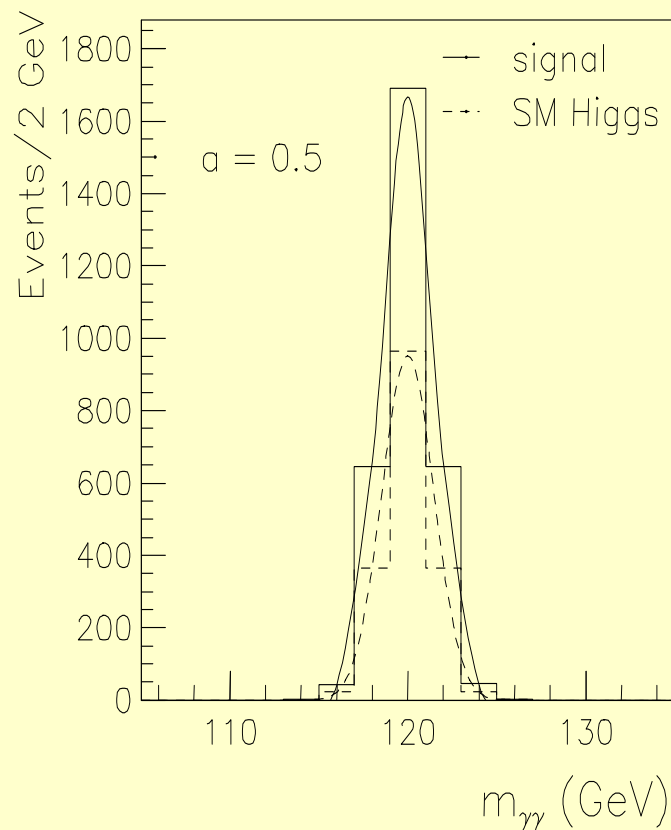
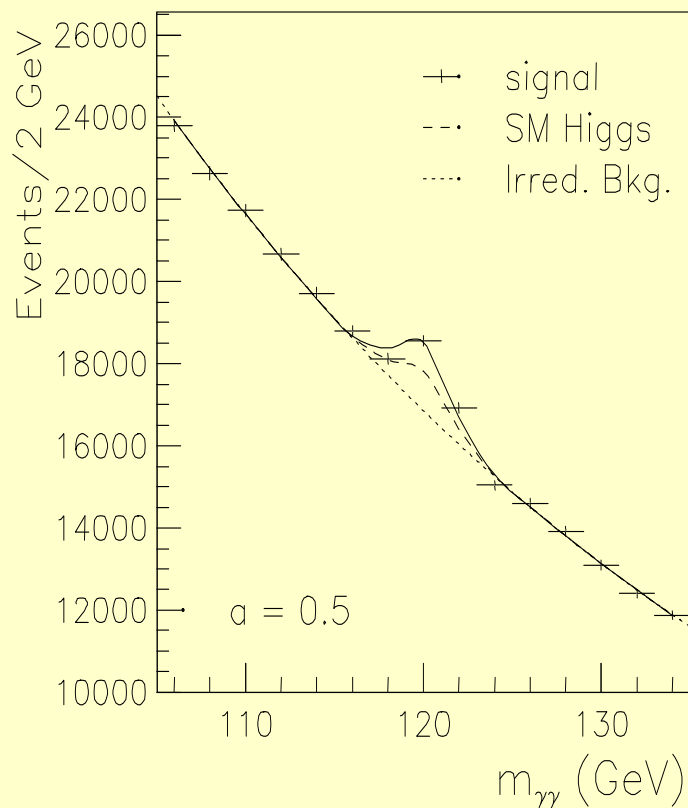
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Processes	Cross-section (pb)	Number of events
$pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ (Born)	56.2	5.62×10^6
$pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ (box)	49.0	4.90×10^6
$pp \rightarrow \text{jet+jet}$	4.9×10^8	2.50×10^6
$pp \rightarrow \text{jet}+\gamma$	1.2×10^5	1.50×10^6
$pp \rightarrow h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	4.63×10^{-2}	4630
$pp \rightarrow Zh, Wh, t\bar{t}h$		
$Z \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}, W \rightarrow \ell\nu, h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	2.5×10^{-3}	250
$pp \rightarrow Z\gamma; Z \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}$	3.3	3.3×10^5
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- *Standard Model backgrounds*

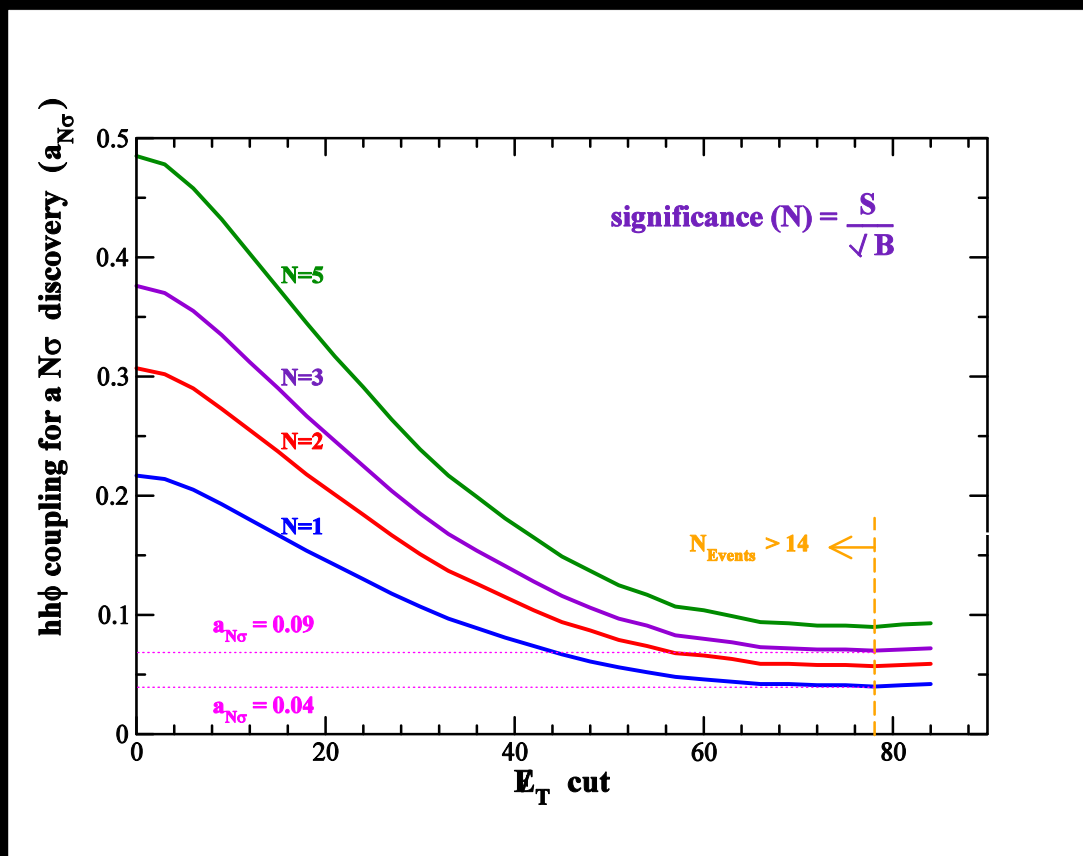
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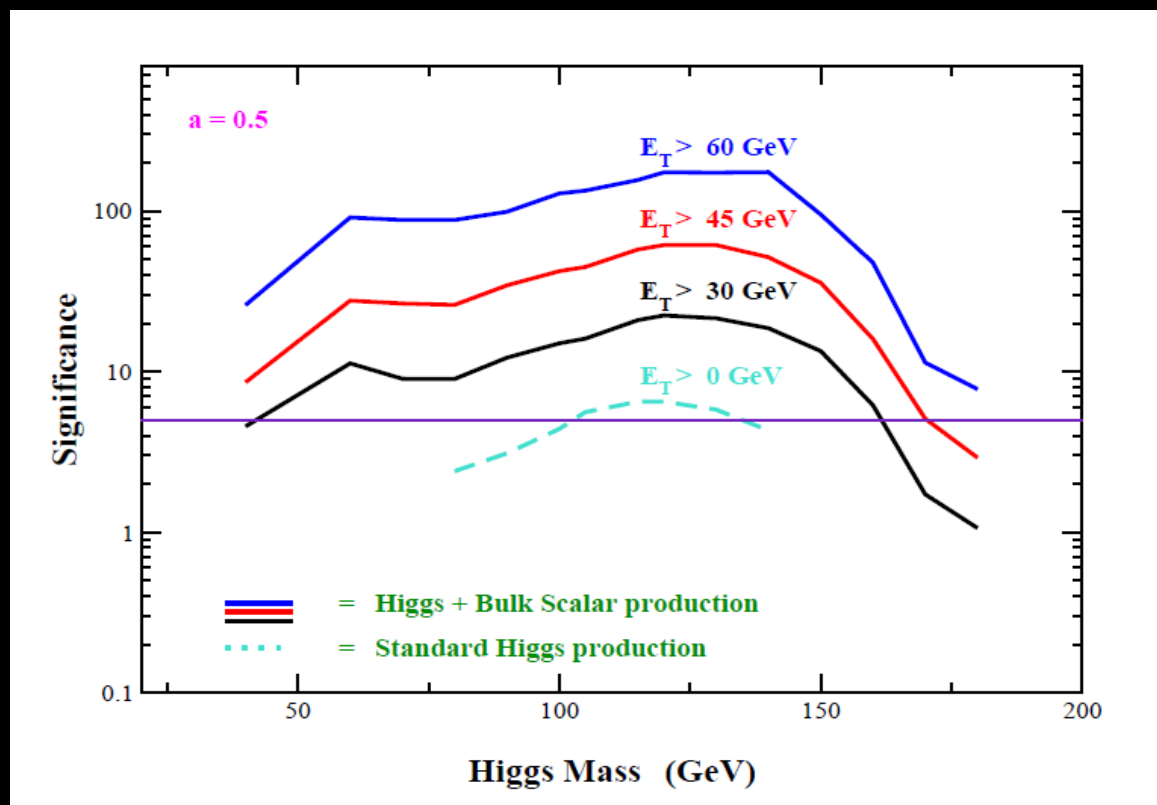
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- *Significance of signal vs cut on missing E_T*

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- *Possibility of missing- E_T cut improves the reach of the search for Higgs through its $\gamma\gamma$ channel*

Observational Consequences

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- Quintessence cosmology
 - Modifications to gravity
 - Collider physics
 - *Neutrino physics*
 - Astrophysics
- *SLED predicts there are 6D massless fermions in the bulk, as well as their properties*
 - *Massless, chiral, etc.*
 - *Masses and mixings can be chosen to agree with oscillation data.*
 - *Most difficult: bounds on resonant SN oscillations.*

Observational Consequences

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- 6D supergravities have many bulk fermions:
 - Gravity: $(g_{mn}, \psi_m, B_{mn}, \chi, \varphi)$
 - Gauge: (A_m, λ)
 - Hyper: (Φ, ξ)
- Bulk couplings dictated by supersymmetry
 - In particular: 6D fermion masses must vanish
- Back-reaction removes KK zero modes
 - eg: boundary condition due to conical defect at brane position

Observational Consequences

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- $$S = \lambda_u \int d^4x (L_a^i H_i) N_{au}(x, y_b)$$

Dimensionful coupling
 $\lambda \sim 1/M_g$

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SUSY keeps N massless in bulk;

Natural mixing with Goldstino on branes;

Chirality in extra dimensions provides natural L ;

Observational Consequences

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$$S = \lambda_u \int d^4x (L_a^i H_i) N_{au}(x, y_b)$$

Dimensionful coefficient
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$$M = \frac{1}{r} \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_e^+ v & \lambda_e^- v & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_\mu^+ v & \lambda_\mu^- v & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_\tau^+ v & \lambda_\tau^- v & \dots \\ \hline \lambda_e^+ v & \lambda_\mu^+ v & \lambda_\tau^+ v & 0 & 2\pi c_1 & \dots \\ \lambda_e^- v & \lambda_\mu^- v & \lambda_\tau^- v & 2\pi c_1 & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{array} \right)$$

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Constrained by bounds on sterile neutrino emission

Dimensionful coefficient
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Require observed masses and large mixing.

$$M = \frac{1}{r} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_e^+ \nu & \lambda_e^- \nu & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_\mu^+ \nu & \lambda_\mu^- \nu & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_\tau^+ \nu & \lambda_\tau^- \nu & \dots \\ \hline \lambda_e^+ \nu & \lambda_\mu^+ \nu & \lambda_\tau^+ \nu & 0 & 2\pi c_1 & \dots \\ \lambda_e^- \nu & \lambda_\mu^- \nu & \lambda_\tau^- \nu & 2\pi c_1 & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

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- Bounds on sterile neutrinos easiest to satisfy if $g = \lambda v < 10^{-4}$.

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- Degenerate perturbation theory implies massless states strongly mix even if g is small.

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- This is a problem if there are massless KK modes.

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- This is good for 3 observed flavours.

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- Brane back-reaction can *remove* the KK zero mode for fermions.

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Observational Consequences

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- Imagine lepton-breaking terms are suppressed.
 - Possibly generated by loops in running to low energies from M_g .
- Acquire desired masses and mixings with a mild hierarchy for g'/g and ε'/ε .
 - Build in approximate $L_e - L_\mu - L_\tau$ and Z_2 symmetries.

$$g^{(+)} = \begin{pmatrix} g' \\ g \\ g \end{pmatrix}$$

$$g^{(-)} = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon \\ \varepsilon' \\ \varepsilon' \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\varepsilon, \varepsilon' \approx \frac{m_{KK}}{M} \approx \frac{km_{KK}}{M_g} \approx k S^{-1}$$

$$\frac{\varepsilon'}{\varepsilon} \approx \frac{g'}{2g} \approx 10\%$$

$$S \sim M_g r$$

Observational Consequences

Matias, CB

- - 1 massless state
 - 2 next- lightest states
- have strong overlap with brane.
- - **Inverted hierarchy.**
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Worrisome: once we choose $g \sim 10^{-4}$, good masses for the light states require:

$$\epsilon S = k \sim 1/g$$

Must get this from a real compactification.

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$$U \approx \begin{pmatrix} c_s(-1/\sqrt{2} - \delta/4) & c_s(1/\sqrt{2} - \delta/4) & 0 \\ c_s(1/2 - \delta/4\sqrt{2}) & c_s(1/2 + \delta/4\sqrt{2}) & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ c_s(1/2 - \delta/4\sqrt{2}) & c_s(1/2 + \delta/4\sqrt{2}) & -1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\delta = 2 \left(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon} + \frac{g'}{2g} \right)$$

- Lightest 3 states can have acceptable 3-flavour mixings.
- Active sterile mixings can satisfy incoherent bounds provided $g \sim 10^{-4}$ or less ($\theta_i \sim g/c_i$).

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 |U_{ai}|^2 = \cos^2 \theta_i$$

$$\tan^2 \theta_s \approx g^2 \mathcal{P}$$

$$\mathcal{P} = \sum_{\ell} \frac{1}{c_{\ell}^2}$$

Observational Consequences

- Quintessence cosmology
 - Modifications to gravity
 - Collider physics
 - Neutrino physics
 - *Astrophysics*
- *Energy loss into extra dimensions is close to existing bounds*
 - *Supernova, red-giant stars, ...*
 - *Scalar-tensor form for gravity may have astrophysical implications.*
 - *Binary pulsars; ...*

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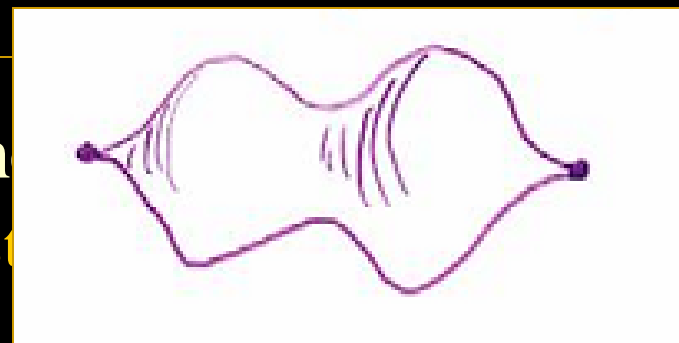
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Now understand how 2 extra dimensions respond to presence of 2 branes having arbitrary couplings.

- *Not all are flat in 4D, but all of those having only conical singularities are flat. (Conical singularities correspond to absence of dilaton couplings to branes)*

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So far so good!!

- *Brane loops cannot generate dilaton couplings if these are not initially present*
- *Bulk loops can generate such couplings, but are suppressed by 6D supersymmetry*
- *Bulk loops counted by $e^{2\phi} = 1/r^4$*

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- Classical flat direction corresponding to combination of radius and dilaton:
$$e^{\phi} r^2 = \text{constant}.$$
 - Loops lift this flat direction, and in so doing give dynamics to ϕ and r .

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Hubble damping can allow potential domination for exponentially large r , even though r is not stabilized.

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