

# D-branes as a single object

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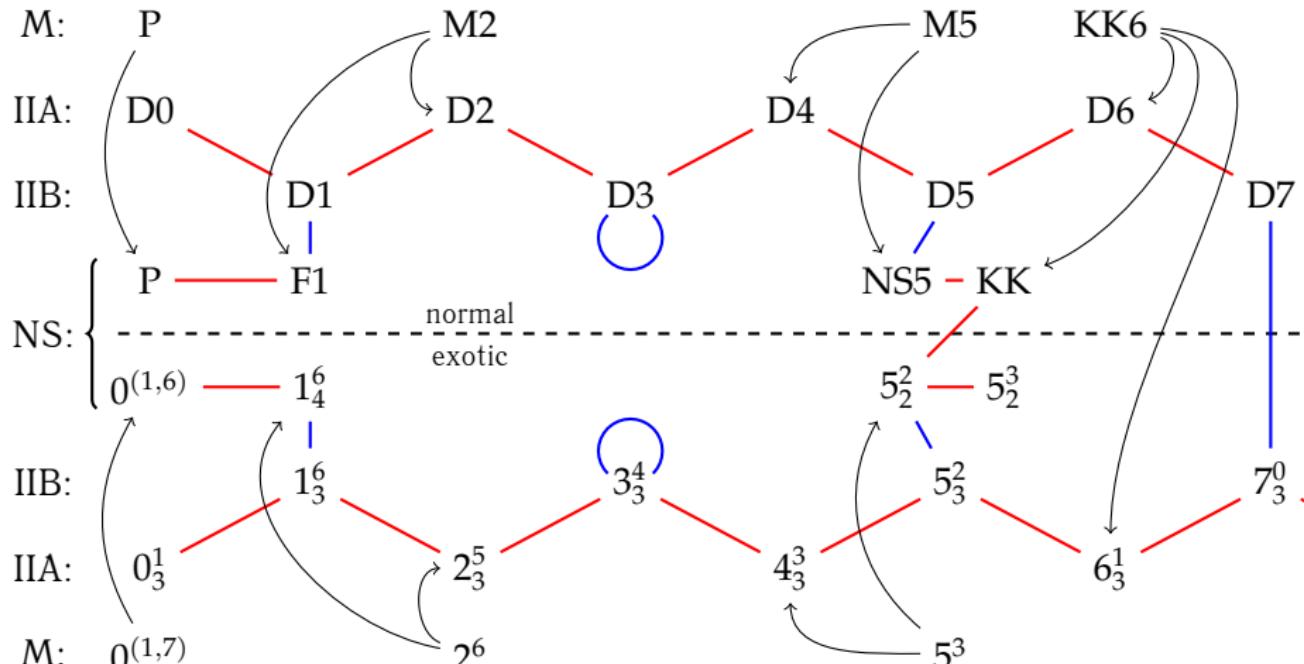
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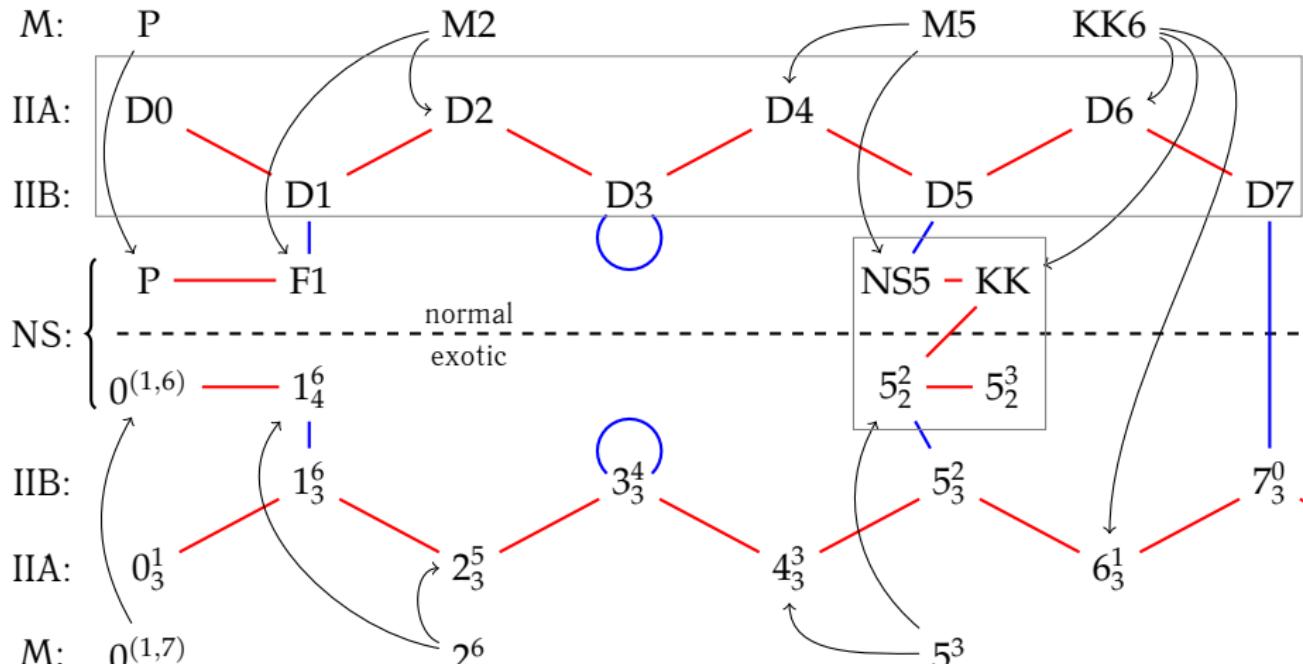


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# Why bother?

## D-branes

- AdS/CFT correspondence: different limits of a single D-brane effective action;
- phenomenological constructions: braneworld models, intersection of branes;
- black hole entropy counting;

## NS-branes

- Little String Theories:  $\mathcal{N} = (2, 0)$  (for IIA) and  $\mathcal{N} = (1, 1)$  (for IIB) 6D theories;
- non-conformal field theory holographies;
- cosmological moduli stabilization via (non-geometric) NS-NS fluxes;

# The results

T-duality orbits

D0 — D1 — D2 — D3 — D4 — D5 — D6 — D7 — D8 — D9

NS5( $5_2^0$ ) — KK5( $5_2^1$ ) — Q( $5_2^2$ ) — R( $5_2^3$ ) — R'( $5_2^4$ )

- Effective actions for these T-duality orbits has been constructed.
- Depending on orientation these project down to actions for normal branes.
- One observes non-geometric effects for D-branes

# D-branes: geometry and dynamics

In supergravity D-branes

- are RN black-hole-like solutions of SUGRA equations of motion,
- preserve  $\frac{1}{2}$ SUSY
- are described by non-zero metric  $G_{\mu\nu}$  and gauge field  $C_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_p}$

As fundamental objects D-branes

- are described by effective action

$$S_{\text{DBI}} = \int_{\Sigma} d^{p+1}\xi \sqrt{\det(G_{\mu\nu} \partial_a x^\mu \partial_b x^\nu + \mathcal{F}_{ab})} + \int_{\Sigma} \mathcal{L}_{p+1} \quad (1)$$

- carry worldvolume fields  $x^\mu = x^\mu(\xi)$  and  $\mathcal{F}_{ab}$

# T-duality

- Mass spectrum of a string on a torus  $\mathbb{T}^d$  is invariant under  $O(d, d)$  group
- SUGRA solutions transform into solutions
- String does not feel the change in backgrounds
- T-duality is performed along isometries

# T-duality orbit of NS branes

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
NS5 :	x	x	x	x	x	x	•	•	•	•	
	world-volume					transverse					
KK5 :	x	x	x	x	x	x	•	•	•	○	
	world-volume					transverse		special			
Q :	x	x	x	x	x	x	•	•	○	○	
R :	x	x	x	x	x	x	•	○	○	○	
R' :	x	x	x	x	x	x	○	○	○	○	

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[deBoer, Shigemori]

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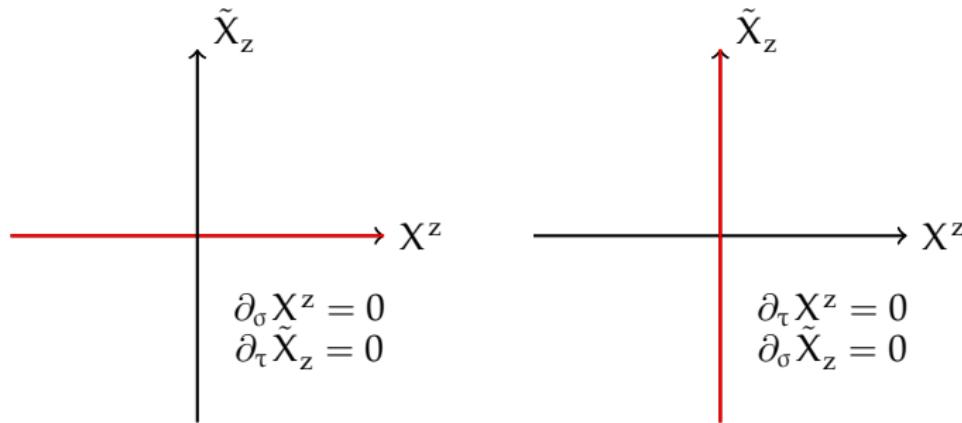
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D0 :	x	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	(3)
D1 :	x	x	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
D2 :	x	x	x	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	
D3 :	x	x	x	x	•	•	•	•	•	•	
D4 :	x	x	x	x	x	•	•	•	•	•	
D5 :	x	x	x	x	x	x	•	•	•	•	
D6 :	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	•	•	•	
D7 :	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	•	•	
D8 :	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	•	
D9 :	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	

! T-duality changes dimension of a D-brane

# T-duality orbit of D-branes

Boundary conditions for open string ends with  $\omega^\mu = p_L^\mu - p_R^\mu$ ,  $p^\mu = p_L^\mu + p_R^\mu$ :

$$\begin{aligned} N: \quad & \partial_\sigma X^\mu \Big|_{\partial\Sigma} = 0, \quad D: \quad \partial_\tau X^\mu \Big|_{\partial\Sigma} = 0, \\ N: \quad & \omega^\mu = 0, \quad D: \quad p^\mu = 0, \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$



# Covariant potentials

- D-brane potentials  $C_{(p+1)}$  can be combined:

$$|\chi\rangle = \sum_{p=0}^{10} C_{m_1 \dots m_p} \Gamma^{m_1 \dots m_p} |0\rangle \quad (5)$$

- $O(10, 10)$  algebra that includes  $GL(10)$  as  $T^M = (T^m, T_m)$ :

$$\{\Gamma_M, \Gamma_N\} = 2\eta_{MN} \implies \{\Gamma_m, \Gamma^n\} = \delta_m{}^n,$$

Clifford vacuum:  $\Gamma_m |0\rangle = 0$

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- For each brane one defines a **charge**  $\langle Q|$

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Invariant interaction

$$S_{wz} = \int d^{10}\xi \ \varepsilon^{a_1 \dots a_{10}} \langle Q | \Gamma_{M_1 \dots M_{10}} | \chi \rangle \partial_{a_1} X^{M_1} \dots \partial_{a_{10}} X^{M_{10}}. \quad (8)$$

Upon choice of  $\langle Q |$  this reproduces smth like

$$S_{wz}^D = \int C_{m_1 \dots m_p} dX^{m_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dX^{m_p} \quad (9)$$

# Doubled geometry

- Doubled coordinates  $X^M = (x^m, \tilde{x}_m)$
- **section constraint** for consistency of the theory, kills half of the coordinates
- T-duality:  $T_x : x \longleftrightarrow \tilde{x}$
- Generalized metric is a T-duality covariant object

$$\mathcal{H}_{MN} = \begin{bmatrix} g - Bg^{-1}B & Bg^{-1} \\ g^{-1}B & g^{-1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{in analogy with} \quad F_{\mu\nu} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \vec{E} \\ -\vec{E} & *_3 \vec{B} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{MN} \in \frac{O(10, 10)}{O(1, 9) \times O(1, 9)} \tag{10}$$

- There exists an action for  $\mathcal{H}_{MN}$

[Berman, Cederwall, Coimbra, Godazgar<sup>2</sup>, Grana, Hohm, Hull, EtM, Nicolai, Perry, Samtleben, Thompson, Waldram, Zwiebach ...]

# Dynamics

Dynamics is ruled by DBI action

$$S_p = \int d^{p+1}\xi e^{-\phi} \sqrt{-\det(G_{mn} \partial_a x^m \partial_b x^n + \dots)}, \quad (11)$$

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where one needs the projected derivatives

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\partial}_a X^M &= \partial_a X^M - (h^{-1})^{\alpha\beta} k_\alpha{}^M k_\beta{}^N \mathcal{H}_{NK} \partial_a X^K, \\ h_{\alpha\beta} &= k_\alpha{}^M k_\beta{}^N \mathcal{H}_{MN}. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

# Embedding of branes

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{3}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{5}$	$\tilde{6}$	$\tilde{7}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{9}$
D0	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k
D1	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k
D2	k	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k
D3	k	k	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k	k	k	k	k	k	k
D4	k	k	k	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k	k	k	k	k	k
D5	k	k	k	k	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k	k	k	k	k
D6	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k	k	k	k
D7	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k	k	k
D8	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	k
D9	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	k	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•

! Depending on the choice of k's one gets different D-branes

!? D-branes can localize in dual space

# Embedding of branes

NS five branes localize in dual space as well:

	world-volume						transverse directions							
	$x^0$	$x^1$	$x^2$	$x^3$	$x^4$	$x^5$								
NS5	×	×	×	×	×	×	•	•	•	•	k	k	k	k
KK5	×	×	×	×	×	×	•	•	•	k	k	k	k	•
Q	×	×	×	×	×	×	•	•	k	k	k	k	•	•
R	×	×	×	×	×	×	•	k	k	k	k	•	•	•
$R'$	×	×	×	×	×	×	k	k	k	k	•	•	•	•

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• — localization direction,

**k** — Killing direction

Non-perturbative instanton corrections on world-sheet of string localize KK-monopole in dual space. The same is true for  $5_2^2$ -branes. [Jensen, Tong, Harvey, Kimura]

# Other approaches

- 1206.6964 Asakawa, Sasa, Watamura: generalized geometry approach. D-brane is a Dirac structure on the doubled tangent bundle

$$L \oplus L^* \subset TM \oplus T^*M \quad (15)$$

- 1107.0876 Albertsson, Dai, Kao, Lin: doubled formalism for open string ends. Dynamics of boundary terms  $\implies$  the doubled DBI action. Incapable to reproduce the conventional DBI action.
- unpublished Berman, Cederwall, Malek: DFT approach to a single D-brane. Worldvolume gauge fields are fluctuations along the winding coordinates.

# The message

- One is able to construct a single action for several branes, related by T-duality
- For D-branes this suggests localization in dual space

# Discussion

- Prove microscopically, that D-branes localize in dual space, calculate instanton corrections
- Field theories on worldvolume (especially for D-branes)
- Generalize stuff for exceptional field theories and U-dualities

What's the use of all that?

- Tadpole cancellation conditions for flux compactifications (Bianchi identities), support for internal space
- String behavior on such backgrounds: non-commutativity and non-associativity
- Little string theories from NS five-branes
- New stuff for AdS/CFT correspondence?

Thank you!

