

**Properties of Hadrons  
from  
D4/D8-Brane System**

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# ① **QCD & D4/D8 system**

# ★ Construction of QCD

$$\text{QCD} = \text{YM} + \text{quarks}$$

- Yang-Mills

D4-brane on  $S^1$  with  $\lambda(x^\mu, \tau) = -\lambda(x^\mu, \tau + 2\pi M_{\text{KK}}^{-1})$

fermion

$$S^1 \ni \tau \sim \tau + 2\pi M_{\text{KK}}^{-1}$$

5 dim super YM on  $S^1$

~~SUSY~~

4 dim pure YM

$$E \ll M_{\text{KK}}$$

Corresponding SUGRA solution is known. [Witten 1998]

- quarks

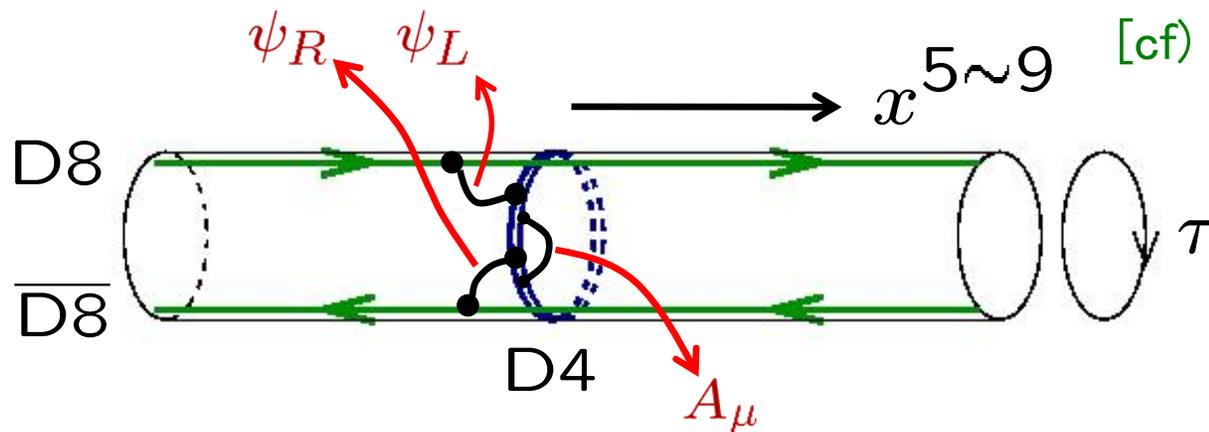
Add probe D8-branes.

cf) KMMW model : D4 + probe D6

[Kruczenski-Mateos-Myers-Winter 2003]

# ★ the brane configuration

		$x^0$	$x^1$	$x^2$	$x^3$	$\tau$	$x^5$	$x^6$	$x^7$	$x^8$	$x^9$
D4	$\times N_c$	○	○	○	○	○	—	—	—	—	—
D8- $\overline{\text{D8}}$	$\times N_f$	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○



[cf) S.S.-K.Takahashi 2004]

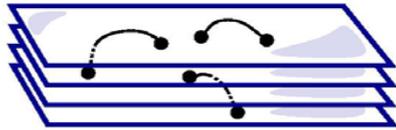
	D4	D8	$\overline{\text{D8}}$
	$U(N_c)$	$U(N_f)_L$	$U(N_f)_R$
$A_\mu$	adjoint	1	1
$\psi_L$	$N_c$	$N_f$	1
$\psi_R$	$N_c$	1	$N_f$



4 dim  $U(N_c)$  QCD with  $N_f$  massless quarks

# Outline

String theory

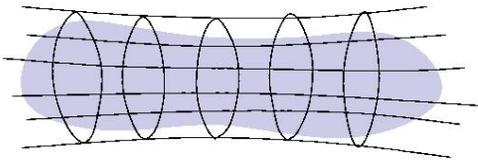


**D4/D8 system**

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Supergravity



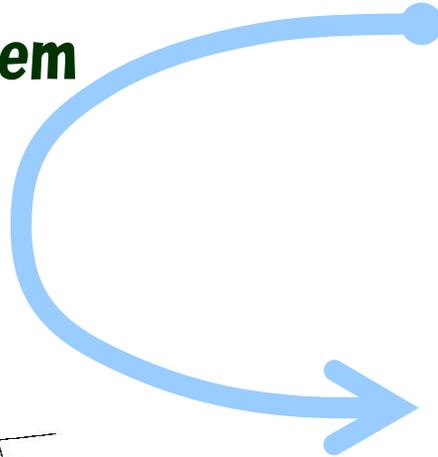
**5 dim YM-CS theory**

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**QCD**

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4g^2} \text{Tr} F_{\mu\nu}^2 + i\bar{\psi}_i \not{D}\psi^i$$



Hadron physics



$\pi, \rho, a_1, \dots$

$p, n, \dots$

③



## ② ***Holographic description of QCD***

# ★ Probe approximation

We assume

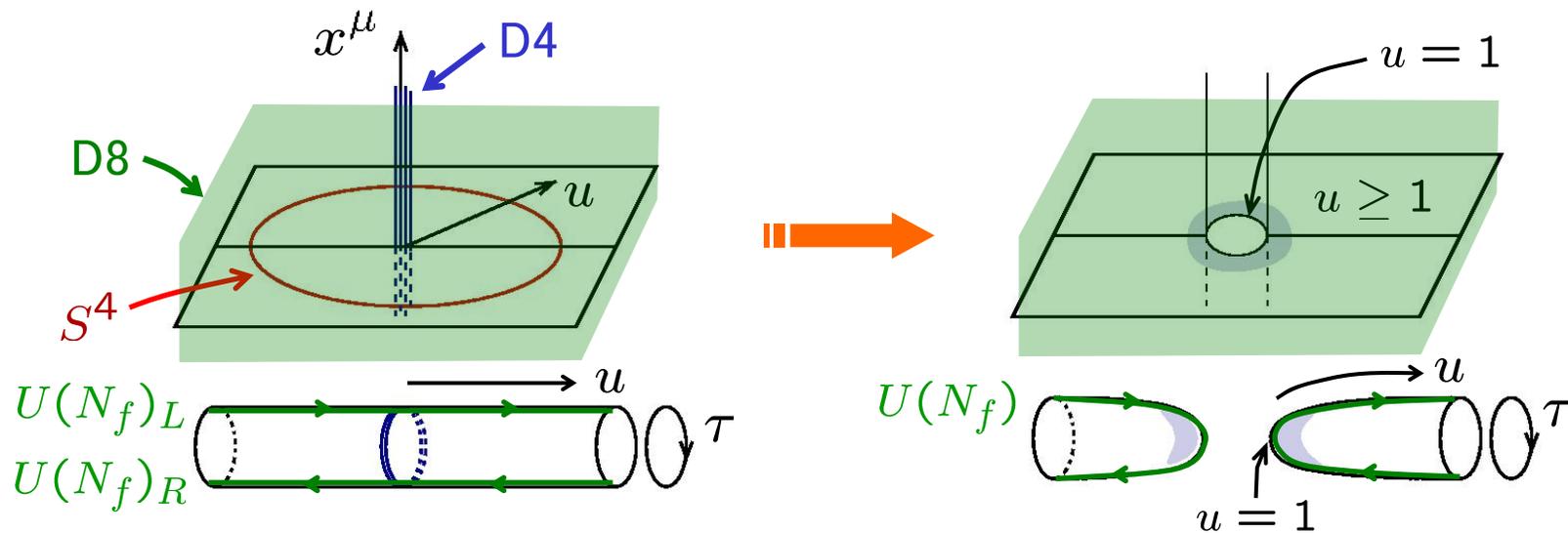
$$N_c \gg N_f$$

[Karch-Katz 2002]

Only D4-brane is replaced with the SUGRA solution.  
D8- $\overline{\text{D8}}$  pairs are treated as probes.

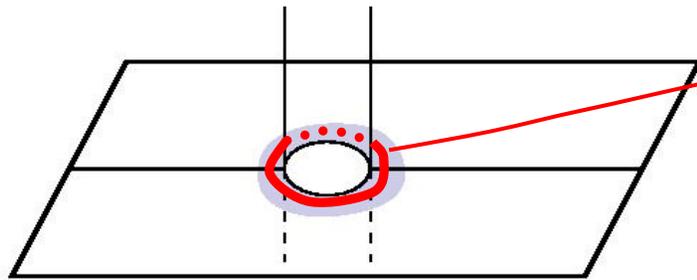
$$ds^2 = \frac{\lambda l_s^2}{3} \left[ \frac{4}{9} M_{\text{KK}}^2 u^{3/2} (\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + f(u) d\tau^2) + u^{-3/2} \left( \frac{du^2}{f(u)} + u^2 d\Omega_4^2 \right) \right]$$

$\curvearrowright f(u) = 1 - 1/u^3$



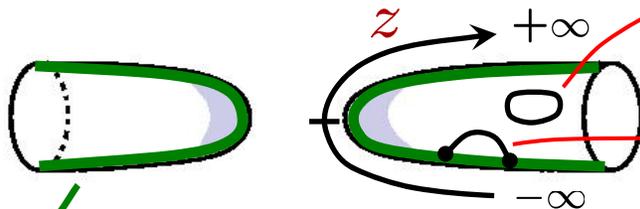
Chiral sym breaking !

# ★ Hadrons in the model



D4 wrapped on  $S^4$

→ **baryons**



closed strings

→ **glueballs**

open strings on D8

→ **mesons**

D8-brane :  $\{(x^0, x^1, x^2, x^3, z)\} \times \cancel{S^4}$

( Here we ignore KK-modes associated with the  $S^4$  for simplicity. )

→ Effective theory of mesons is

reduced to **5 dim**  $U(N_f)$  gauge theory

$A_\mu(x^\mu, z), A_z(x^\mu, z)$

# D8-brane action

- $$S_{D8}^{\text{DBI}} \simeq -T \int d^9x e^{-\phi} \sqrt{-\det(g_{MN} + 2\pi\alpha' F_{MN})}$$

$$\sim \int d^9x e^{-\phi} \sqrt{-g} g^{MN} g^{PQ} F_{MP} F_{NQ} + \dots$$

Inserting the SUGRA solution,

$$K(z) \equiv 1 + z^2$$



$$S_{D8}^{\text{DBI}} \sim \kappa \int d^4x dz \text{Tr} \left( \frac{1}{2} K(z)^{-1/3} F_{\mu\nu}^2 + M_{KK}^2 K(z) F_{\mu z}^2 \right)$$

$$\kappa \equiv \frac{\lambda N_c}{108\pi^3}$$

- $$S_{D8}^{\text{CS}} \simeq \int_9 C \wedge \text{Tr} e^{F/2\pi} \sim \int_9 dC_3 \wedge \frac{1}{3!(2\pi)^3} \omega_5(A) + \dots$$

D4 charge

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{S^4} dC_3 = N_c \implies$$

$$S_{D8}^{\text{CS}} \sim \frac{N_c}{24\pi^2} \int_5 \omega_5(A)$$

$$\text{CS 5-form}$$

$$d\omega_5(A) = \text{Tr} F^3$$

This 5 dim YM-CS theory is considered as the effective theory of mesons.

[cf) Son-Stephanov 2003,  
 Erlich-Katz-Son-Stephanov 2005, Da Rold-Pomarol 2005, Hirn-Sanz 2005, ...]

# ★ How realistic our “QCD” is ?

Our analysis is reliable when:

- large  $N_c$
- large  $\lambda = g_{\text{YM}}^2 N_c$  } ... Supergravity approximation  
( → difficult to make  $M_{\text{KK}}$  large)
- $E \ll M_{\text{KK}}$  ← scale of 5<sup>th</sup> dimension
- $N_c \gg N_f$  ... probe approximation
- $m_q = 0$

We should not be too serious in the quantitative comparison with the experiments.

But, believe it or not, the agreement is quite impressive.

- ③ **5 dim gauge theory**  
→ **4 dim meson theory**

# ★ mode expansion

$$A_\mu(x^\mu, z) = \sum_n B_\mu^{(n)}(x^\mu) \psi_n(z)$$

$$A_z(x^\mu, z) = \sum_n \varphi^{(n)}(x^\mu) \phi_n(z)$$

complete sets

Chosen to diagonalize  
Kinetic & mass terms  
of  $B_\mu^{(n)}, \varphi^{(n)}$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} -K^{1/3} \partial_z (K \partial_z \psi_n) = \lambda_n \psi_n \\ \kappa \int dz K^{-1/3} \psi_n \psi_m = \delta_{nm} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \phi_n(z) = \partial_z \psi_n(z) \quad (n \geq 1) \\ \phi_0(z) = \frac{c}{K(z)} \end{array} \right]$$

- Using these, we obtain

$$S_{\text{DBI}}^{\text{D8}} \sim \sum_{n \geq 1} \int d^4x \text{Tr} \left[ \frac{1}{2} F_{\mu\nu}^{(n)2} + \lambda_n M_{\text{KK}}^2 \left( B_\mu^{(n)} - \partial_\mu \varphi^{(n)} \right)^2 \right] + \int d^4x \text{Tr} \partial_\mu \varphi^{(0)2}$$

+ (interaction terms)

↙  $F_{\mu\nu}^{(n)} \equiv \partial_\mu B_\nu^{(n)} - \partial_\nu B_\mu^{(n)}$  ↘ eaten ↙ massive vector meson ↘ massless scalar meson

- We interpret  $\varphi^{(0)} \sim \text{pion}$   $B_\mu^{(1)} \sim \rho \text{ meson}$   $B_\mu^{(2)} \sim a_1 \text{ meson}$   $\dots$

$\pi, \rho, a_1, \dots$  are **unified** in the **5 dim gauge field !**

# ★ $J^{PC}$ and mass spectrum

- We can show

	$\varphi^{(0)}$	$B_\mu^{(\text{odd})}$	$B_\mu^{(\text{even})}$
$J^{PC}$	$0^{-+}$	$1^{--}$	$1^{++}$
	pseudo-scalar	vector	axial-vector

→ consistent with our interpretation

$$\pi \sim \varphi^{(0)}, \quad \rho \sim B^{(1)}, \quad a_1 \sim B^{(2)}, \quad \text{etc.}$$

- (axial-) vector meson mass

$$m_n^2 = \lambda_n M_{KK}^2 \quad -K^{1/3} \partial_z (K \partial_z \psi_n) = \lambda_n \psi_n \quad \text{not established}$$

	$\rho$	$a_1$	$\rho'$	$(a_1')$	$\rho''$
exp.(MeV)	776	1230	1465	(1640)	1720
our model	[776]	1189	1607	2023	2435
ratio	[1]	1.03	0.911	(0.811)	0.706

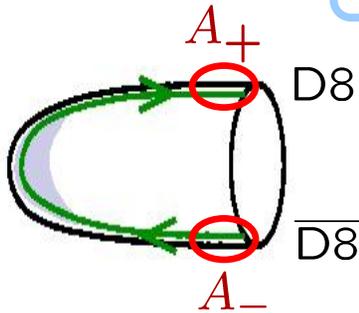
↑  
input ( $M_{KK} \simeq 949$  MeV)

# ★ external $U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R$ gauge field

- So far, we have implicitly assumed

$$A_\mu(x^\mu, z) \rightarrow 0, \quad (z \rightarrow \pm\infty)$$

Consider  $A_\mu(x^\mu, z) \rightarrow A_{\pm\mu}(x^\mu), \quad (z \rightarrow \pm\infty)$



: interpreted as

the external  $U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R$  gauge fields

- This is consistent with the GKP–Witten prescription.

$$S_{\text{QCD}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad S_{\text{QCD}} + \int d^4x A_{\pm\mu} J_{\pm}^{\mu}$$

- The ele-mag gauge field  $A_{\mu}^{\text{em}}$  is introduced by

$$A_{+\mu} = A_{-\mu} = eQ A_{\mu}^{\text{em}} \quad Q = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & \\ & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for } N_f = 2$$

↑ charge matrix

# ★ How to obtain 4 dim effective action

The 4 dim effective action of the mesons (including the interaction with the external gauge fields) is obtained by inserting the mode expansion

$$\begin{aligned} A_z(x^\mu, z) &= \pi(x^\mu)\phi_0(z) \quad (\text{higher modes are gauged away.}) \\ A_\mu(x^\mu, z) &= A_{+\mu}(x^\mu)\psi_+(z) + A_{-\mu}(x^\mu)\psi_-(z) + \sum_{n \geq 1} B_\mu^{(n)}(x^\mu)\psi_n(z) \end{aligned}$$

$$\psi_+(z) \rightarrow \begin{cases} 1 & z \rightarrow +\infty \\ 0 & z \rightarrow -\infty \end{cases} \quad \psi_-(z) \rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 & z \rightarrow +\infty \\ 1 & z \rightarrow -\infty \end{cases} \quad (\text{appropriately chosen})$$

into the 5 dim YM-CS action and perform  $\int dz$  .

# ★ DBI part

$$S_{D8}^{\text{DBI}} \simeq \int d^4x \text{Tr} \left[ \frac{1}{2e^2} \left( (F_{\mu\nu}^+)^2 + (F_{\mu\nu}^-)^2 \right) \right.$$

$$\left. + (\partial_\mu \pi)^2 + \left( \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu B_\nu^{(n)} - \partial_\nu B_\mu^{(n)})^2 + \lambda_n (B_\mu^{(n)})^2 \right) \right] \quad (M_{\text{KK}} = 1 \text{ unit})$$

$$- 2 f_\pi \partial_\mu \pi \mathcal{A}^\mu - 2 g_{\rho^n} B_\mu^{(2n-1)} \mathcal{V}^\mu - 2 g_{a^n} B_\mu^{(2n)} \mathcal{A}^\mu$$

$$+ 2 g_{\rho^n \pi \pi} B_\mu^{(2n-1)} [\pi, \partial^\mu \pi] + \dots \left. \right]$$

$$g_{\rho^n \pi \pi} \equiv \frac{1}{\pi} \int dz K^{-1} \psi_{2n-1}$$

$$F_{\mu\nu}^\pm : \text{field strength of } A_{\pm\mu}$$

$$e^{-2} \equiv \kappa \int dz K^{-1/3} \psi_\pm$$

$$\mathcal{V}_\mu \equiv \frac{1}{2} (A_{+\mu} + A_{-\mu})$$

$$\mathcal{A}_\mu \equiv \frac{1}{2} (A_{+\mu} - A_{-\mu})$$

$$g_{\rho^n} \equiv -2 \kappa (K \partial_z \psi_{2n-1}) \Big|_{z=+\infty}$$

$$g_{a^n} \equiv -2 \kappa (K \partial_z \psi_{2n}) \Big|_{z=+\infty}$$

- $e^{-2}$  is divergent  $\longleftrightarrow U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R$  is a global symmetry
- $A_{\pm\mu}$  couple only through the above terms.

**➡ Vector meson dominance is naturally realized!**

# ★ Numerical results

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} M_{\text{KK}} \simeq 949 \text{ MeV} \\ \kappa \simeq 0.00745 \end{array} \right.$$

coupling		fitting $m_\rho$ and $f_\pi$	experiment
$f_\pi$	$1.13 \cdot \kappa^{1/2} M_{\text{KK}}$	[92.4 MeV]	92.4 MeV
$L_1$	$0.0785 \cdot \kappa$	$0.584 \times 10^{-3}$	$(0.1 \sim 0.7) \times 10^{-3}$
$L_2$	$0.157 \cdot \kappa$	$1.17 \times 10^{-3}$	$(1.1 \sim 1.7) \times 10^{-3}$
$L_3$	$-0.471 \cdot \kappa$	$-3.51 \times 10^{-3}$	$-(2.4 \sim 4.6) \times 10^{-3}$
$L_9$	$1.17 \cdot \kappa$	$8.74 \times 10^{-3}$	$(6.2 \sim 7.6) \times 10^{-3}$
$L_{10}$	$-1.17 \cdot \kappa$	$-8.74 \times 10^{-3}$	$-(4.8 \sim 6.3) \times 10^{-3}$
$g_{\rho\pi\pi}$	$0.415 \cdot \kappa^{-1/2}$	4.81	5.99
$g_\rho$	$2.11 \cdot \kappa^{1/2} M_{\text{KK}}^2$	0.164 GeV <sup>2</sup>	0.121 GeV <sup>2</sup>
$g_{a_1\rho\pi}$	$0.421 \cdot \kappa^{-1/2} M_{\text{KK}}$	4.63 GeV	2.8 ~ 4.2 GeV

Most of the couplings agree with experiments within 20~30 % error.

## ★ CS-term

Inserting the mode exp. into the CS-term, we obtain

$$S_{\text{D8}}^{\text{CS}} \simeq -\frac{N_c i}{4\pi^2 f_\pi^2} \int_4 \text{Tr} \left[ \pi d\rho^n d\rho^m c_{\rho^n \rho^m} + \dots \right]$$

$c_{\rho^n \rho^m} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int dz K^{-1} \psi_{2n-1} \psi_{2m-1}$

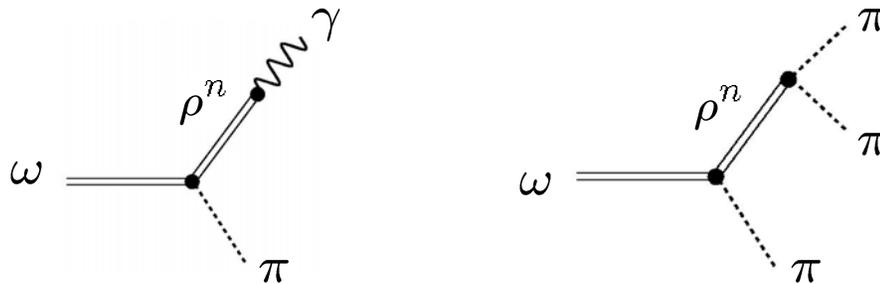
Moreover, one can show

- All the terms including  $A_\pm$  are cancelled.  
(complete vector meson dominance)
- Terms with more than one pion field vanish.

★  $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma$  and  $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$

$$\rho_\mu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\rho_\mu^0 + \omega_\mu) & \rho_\mu^+ \\ \rho_\mu^- & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-\rho_\mu^0 + \omega_\mu) \end{pmatrix}$$

● The relevant diagrams for these decay are



Exactly the same as the **GSW model** !

[Gell-Mann -Sharp-Wagner 1962]

● Furthermore, we find

$$\Gamma(\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma) = \frac{N_c^2}{3} \frac{\alpha}{64\pi^4 f_\pi^2} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{c_{\rho^1} \rho^n g_{\rho^n}}{m_{\rho^n}^2} \right)^2 |\mathbf{p}_\pi|^3 = \frac{N_c^2}{3} \frac{\alpha}{64\pi^4 f_\pi^2} g_{\rho\pi\pi}^2 |\mathbf{p}_\pi|^3$$

➔ reproduces the proposal given by Fujiwara et al !

[Fujiwara-Kugo-Terao-Uehara-Yamawaki 1985]

# ★ Other topics

- Baryon

$$\text{Skyrmion} \simeq \text{Instanton in 5 dim} \simeq \text{D4 wrapped on } S^4$$

- Chiral anomaly, WZW term

- axial  $U(1)_A$  anomaly

- $\eta'$  meson mass

Witten–Veneziano formula

$$m_{\eta'}^2 = \frac{2N_f}{f_\pi^2} \chi_g$$

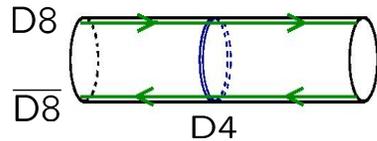
$$\left( \chi_g \equiv \frac{1}{(16\pi^2)^2} \int d^4x \langle \text{Tr} F \tilde{F}(x) \text{Tr} F \tilde{F}(0) \rangle \right)$$

Topological susceptibility

## **④ Summary**

# Summary

String theory

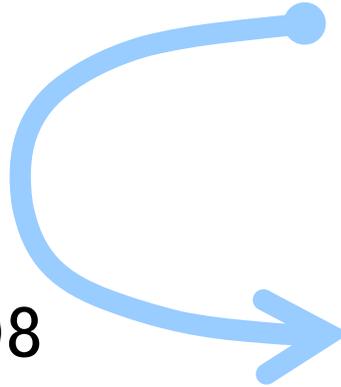
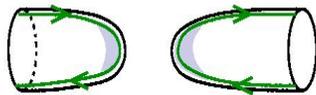


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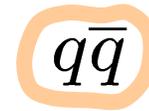
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Sugra + probe D8



Hadron physics



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$$S_{D8} \sim \kappa \int d^4x dz \text{Tr} \left( \frac{1}{2} K^{-1/3} F_{\mu\nu}^2 + K F_{\mu z}^2 \right) + \frac{N_c}{24\pi^2} \int_5 \omega_5(A)$$

# Conclusion

- Though the approximation is still very crude, our model catches various qualitative features of QCD and provides new insights in the low energy hadron physics.
- The numerical results are also encouraging.

**“ much better than expected ! ”**