

# Spinflation

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# Outline

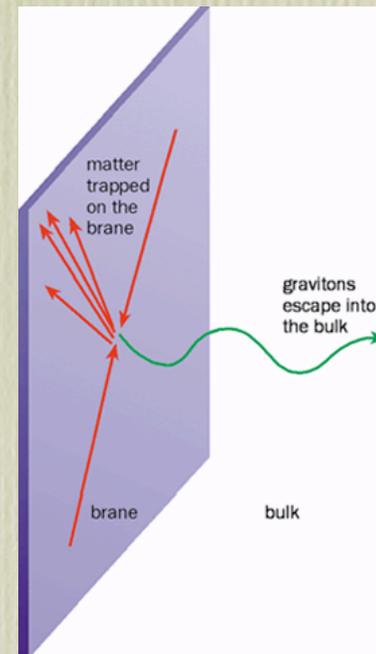
- Introduction
- Moduli Stabilization and Flux Compactifications
- Cycling in Warped Throats (using angular momentum)
- Mirage ‘cosmology’
- *Spinflation*: brane inflation with angular momentum

DAE, Gregory, Tasinato, Zavala 2007

DAE, Gregory, Mota, Tasinato, Zavala *in progress*

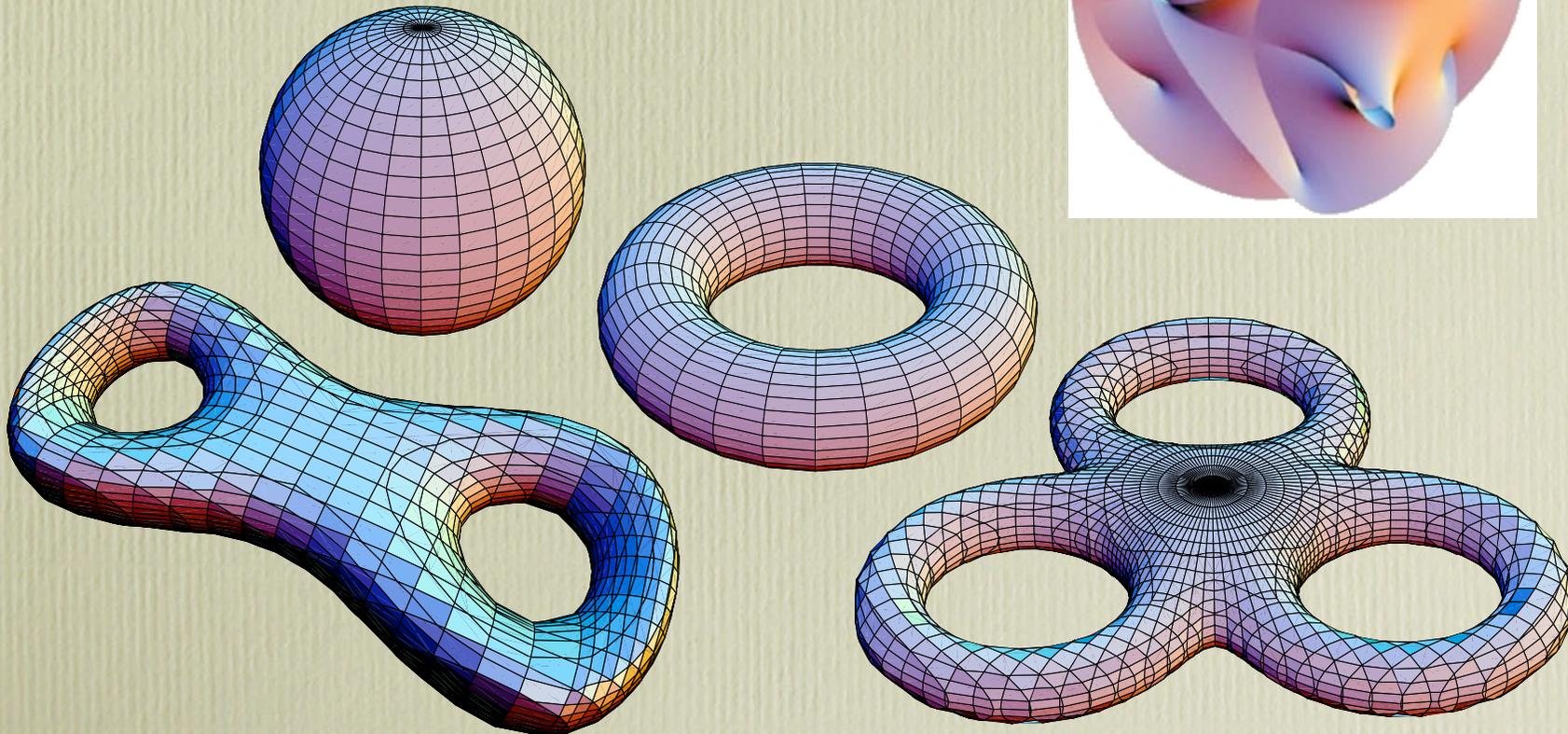
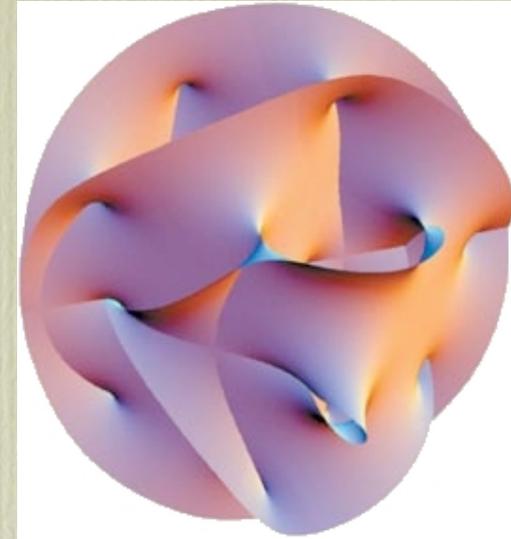
# String Cosmology

- The “Brane World” picture is often assumed.
- *What if the brane has non-zero angular momentum in the extra dimensions?*
- Implications for inflation
- We want to study this problem in a well controlled environment: *flux compactifications*



# *Calabi-Yau* Compactifications

- $6d$  manifolds with special properties
- *cycles and holes related to particle content.*

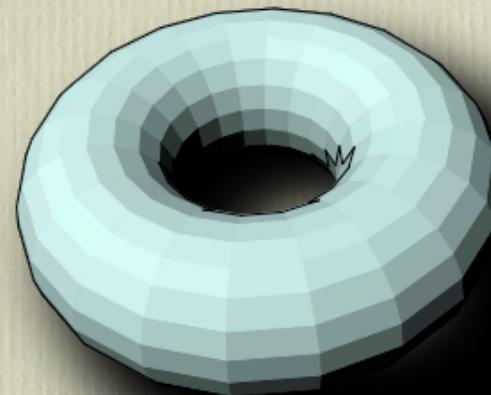
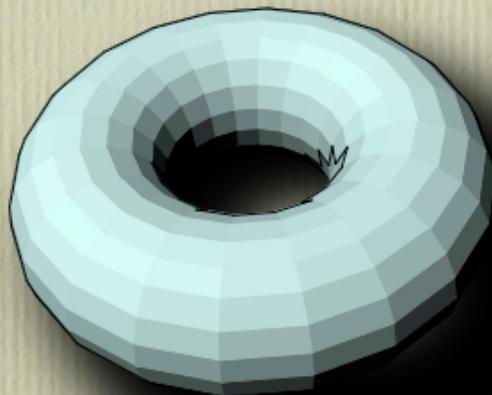


# Moduli fields

- The metric in the extra dimensions (sizes and shapes of cycles) depends on continuous parameters called *moduli*.
- The parameters of a solution correspond to scalar fields (unconstrained by EOM, i.e. *massless*) in four dimensions.
- In a realistic (CY) compactification there can be *many* of these moduli fields.

# Two types of moduli

- Complex Structure – *Shape moduli*
- Kähler – *Volume*



# Moduli Problems

These scalar fields have nonuniversal couplings to matter:

$$f_i(\varphi_i)L_m(\psi_i)$$

- Different types of matter get different accelerations from these forces, violating the equivalence principle.
  - ‘Fifth force’ experiments constrain such forces to be very weak, but if fields remain massless we do not expect them to interact with matter more weakly than gravity.
- Moduli can overclose the Universe

*Need to stabilise moduli!*

# String Model

$$S_{\text{IIB}} = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^{10}x \sqrt{-g_s} \left\{ e^{-2\phi} [\mathcal{R} + 4(\nabla\phi)^2] \right. \\ \left. - \frac{F_{(1)}^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3!} G_{(3)} \cdot \bar{G}_{(3)} - \frac{\tilde{F}_{(5)}^2}{4 \cdot 5!} \right\} \\ + \frac{1}{8i\kappa^2} \int e^\phi C_{(4)} \wedge G_{(3)} \wedge \bar{G}_{(3)} + S_{\text{loc}}$$

$$G_{(3)} = F_{(3)} - \tau H_{(3)}$$

$$\tau = C_{(0)} + ie^{-\phi}$$

$$S_{\text{loc}} = - \int_{R^4 \times \Sigma} d^{p+1} \xi T_p \sqrt{-g} + \mu_p \int_{R^4 \times \Sigma} C_{p+1}$$

In IIB RR potentials are:

$$C_{(0)}, C_{(2)}, C_{(4)}, C_{(6)}, C_{(8)}$$

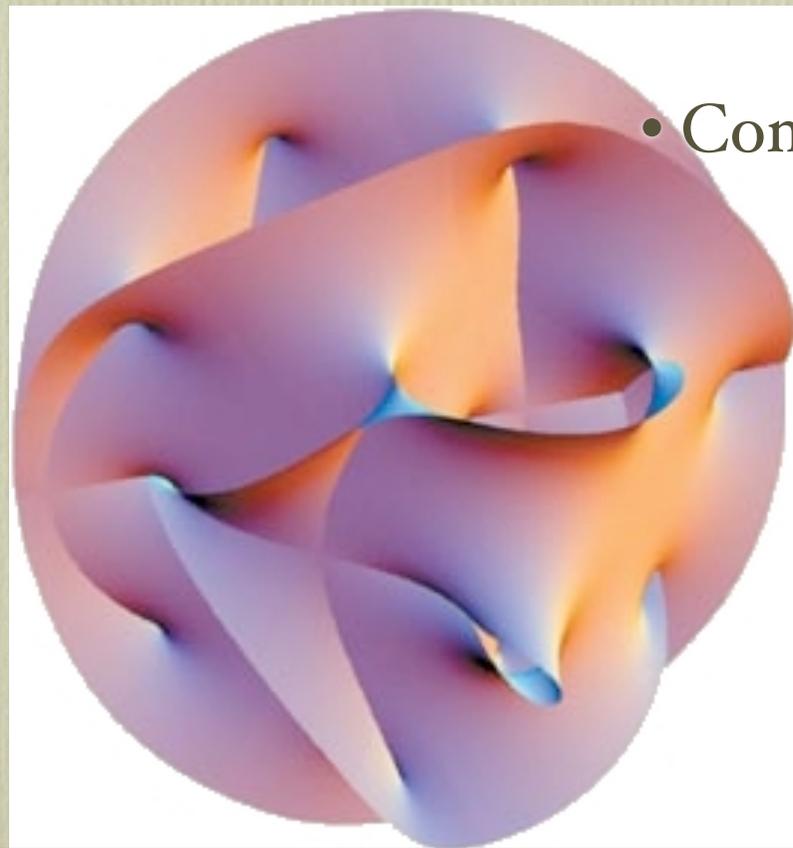
- Compactify this on a CY manifold and turn on fluxes and wrap branes to stabilise moduli fields.

Giddings, Kachru, Polchinski 2001

Kachru, Kallosh, Linde, Trivedi 2003

- Study dynamics of brane probes in this background

$$ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + \tilde{g}_{mn} dy^m dy^n$$

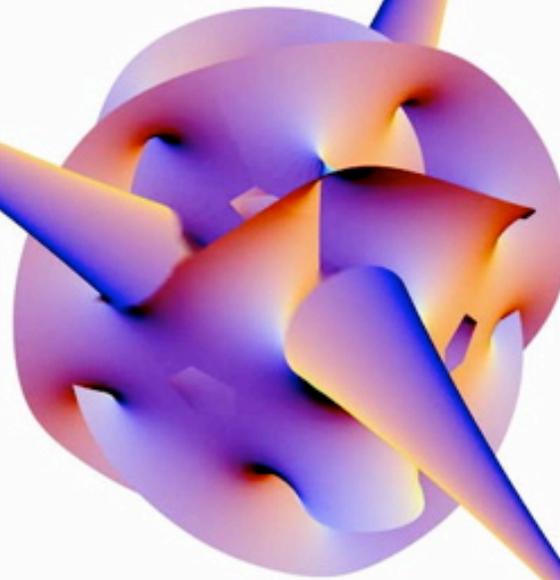


- Compactify on CY

$$ds^2 = e^{A(y)} g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + e^{-A(y)} \tilde{g}_{mn} dy^m dy^n$$

... Turn on the FLUX!!

*Warping!*



# *Why warping is nice*

Randall, Sundrum 1999

- Simple model constructed from branes in AdS.
- Example of *warped compactification* (spacetime curves strongly away from the brane).
- Exponential warping produces exponential hierarchies in scales.
- Provides a concrete mechanism to explain the large differences between the electroweak and Planck scales in physics.
- Exponential warping gives exponential flatness to the inflaton potential (*caveat: n.p. effects*).

Baumann, Dymarsky, Kebanov, Maldacena, McAllister, Murugan 2006

# Model

6d Calabi Yau with fluxes

KKLMMT 2003

warped throat region

(large hierarchy)

IR

UV

D3 inflaton  
(looks like point)

$\Sigma_4$

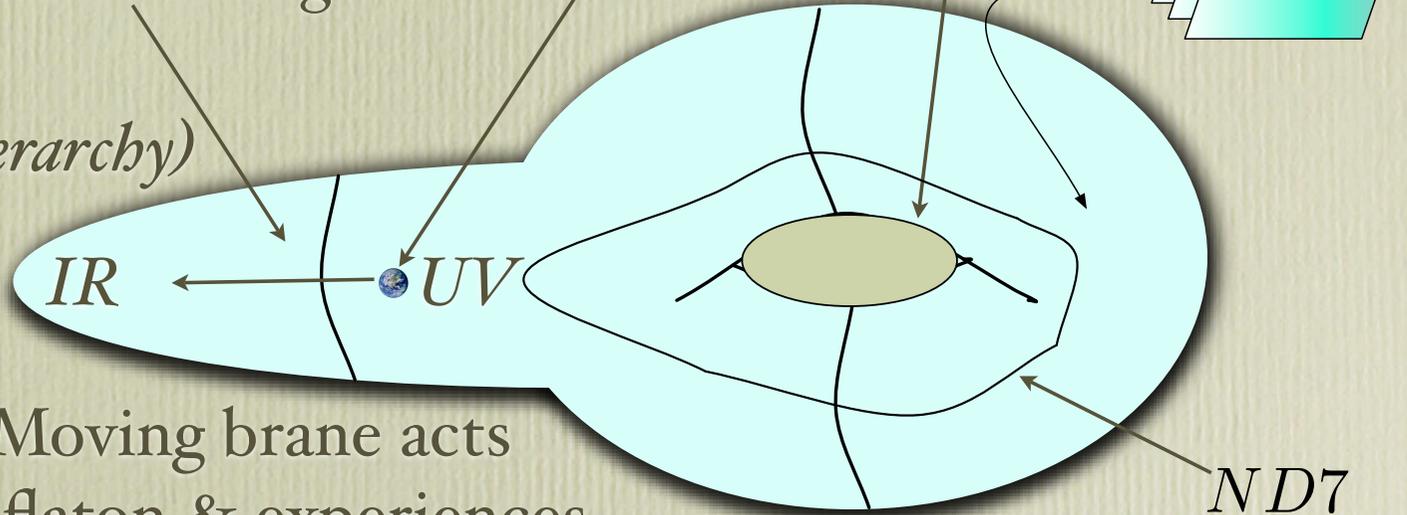
Brane World

$N D3$

$N D7$

- Moving brane acts as inflaton & experiences expansion/contraction as it moves in the throat
- *mirage cosmology*

- Need nonperturbative effects to stabilise Kähler moduli.

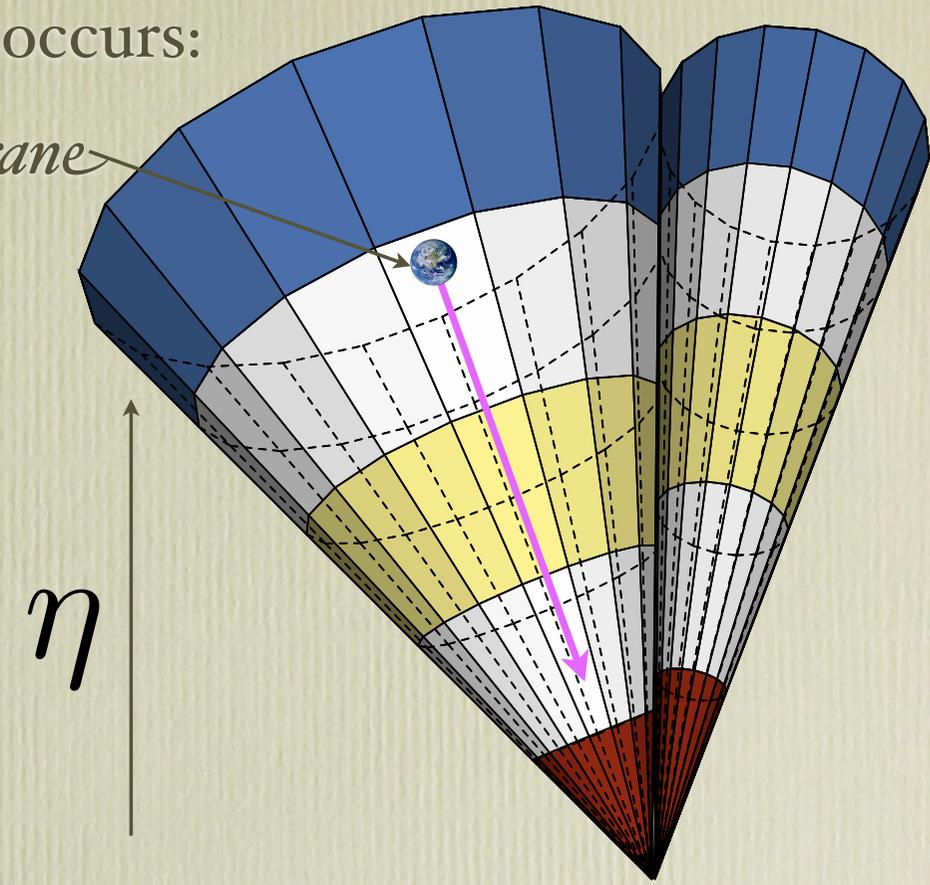
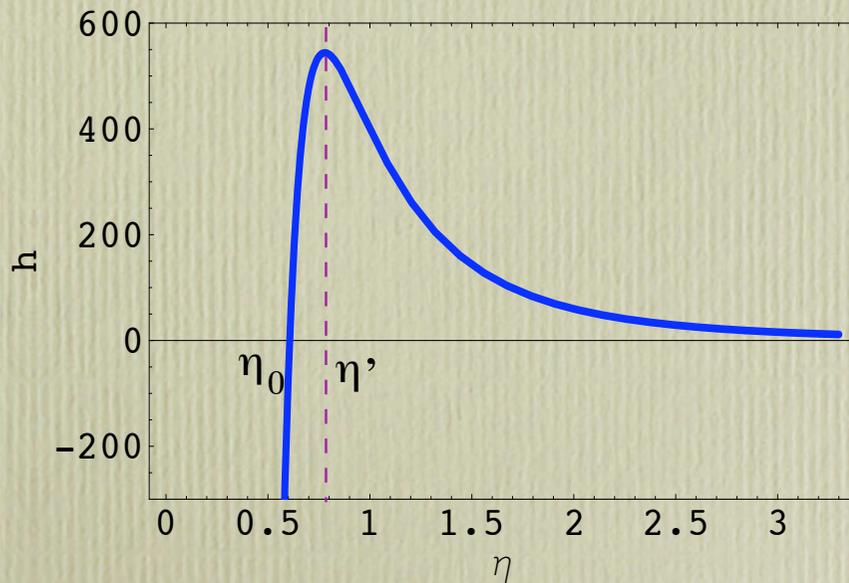


# Warped Conifold Klebanov, Tseytlin 2000

When flux is added warping occurs:

$N$  D3  
 $M$  fractional D3

Branes source:  $F_3$   $H_3$



Big crunch singularity

$$T^{(1,1)} = S^2 \times S^3$$

$$ds_{10}^2 = h^{-1/2}(\eta) dx_\mu dx^\mu + h^{1/2}(\eta) (d\eta^2 + \eta^2 ds_{T^{1,1}}^2)$$

# Warped Deformed Conifold

Klebanov, Strassler 2000

- Based on

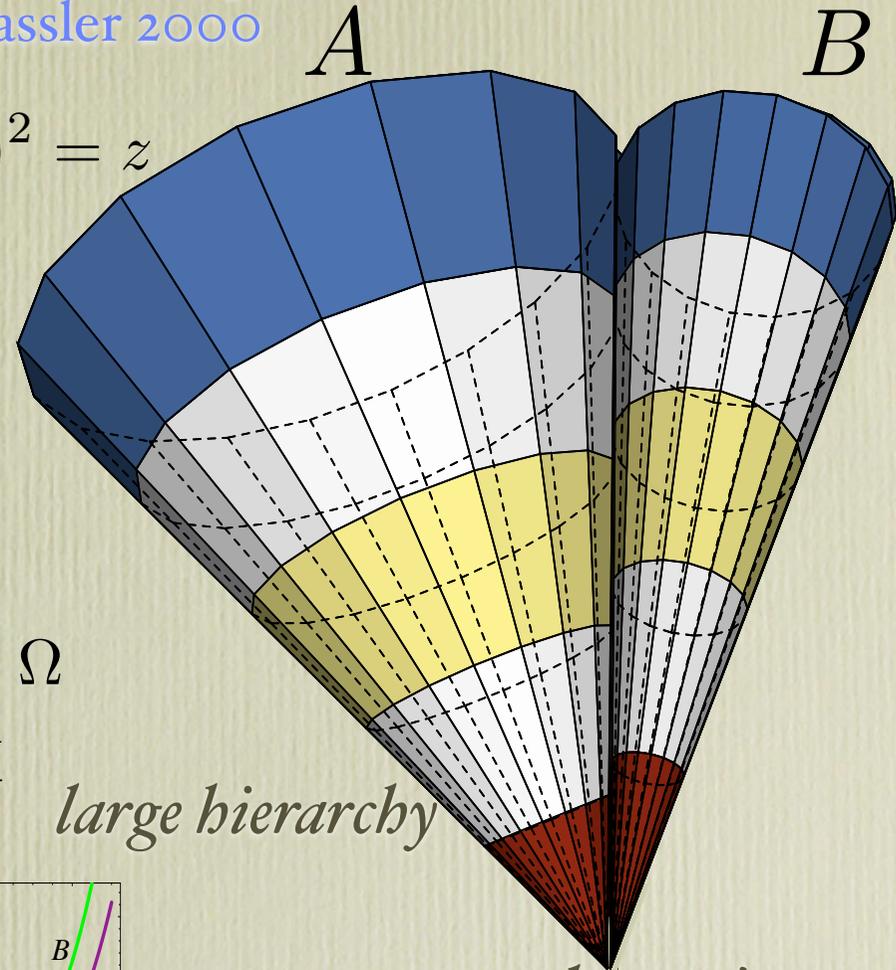
deformed conifold:  $\sum_A (w^A)^2 = z$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi\alpha'} \int_A F_3 = 2\pi M$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi\alpha'} \int_B H_3 = -2\pi K$$

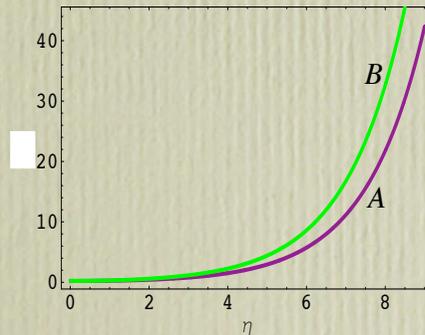
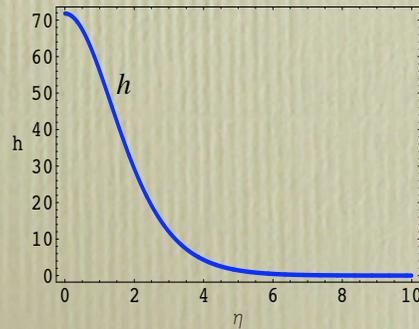
$$W = \int G_3 \wedge \Omega \quad z = \int_A \Omega$$

$$z = e^A \sim e^{-2\pi K/g_s M} \text{ large hierarchy}$$



can bounce!

$$\text{Vol}(T^{(1,1)}) = \frac{16\pi}{27}$$



# Brane Dynamics & Mirage Cosmology

Kehagias, Kiritsis 1999

- The probe brane evolves according to the DBI action:

$$S_{\text{DBI}} = -m \int d^4x \left[ h^{-1} (\sqrt{1 - h v^2} - 1) \right]$$

$$ds^2 = h^{-1/2} \left( -(1 - h v^2) dt^2 + dx_i dx^i \right) = -d\tau^2 + a^2(\tau) dx_i dx^i$$

*scale factor on the brane*

- **Bounces are possible.** The  $4D$  effective theory on the brane is a scalar-tensor gravity that can violate the NEC.
- Represents a string theory resolution of a spacelike singularity.

Kachru, McAllister 2003

# Turning on angular momentum

- What if the brane *spins* as it moves in the throat? [Germani, Grandi, Kehagias 2006](#)  
[DAE, Gregory, Tasinato, Zavala 2007](#)
- Cases: AdS, KT and **KS**

- Conserved angular momentum:  $l_r = \frac{g_{rs} \dot{\theta}^s}{\sqrt{1 - hv^2}}$

$$v^2 = \frac{g_{\eta\eta} \dot{\eta}^2 + \ell^2(\eta)}{1 + h\ell^2(\eta)} \quad \ell^2(\eta) = g^{rs} l_r l_s$$

- Energy is also conserved and we may plot the radial velocity in terms of conserved quantities:

$$Q \equiv \dot{\eta}^2 = \frac{g^{\eta\eta}[\varepsilon(h\varepsilon + 2q) - \ell^2(\eta)]}{(h\varepsilon + q)^2}$$

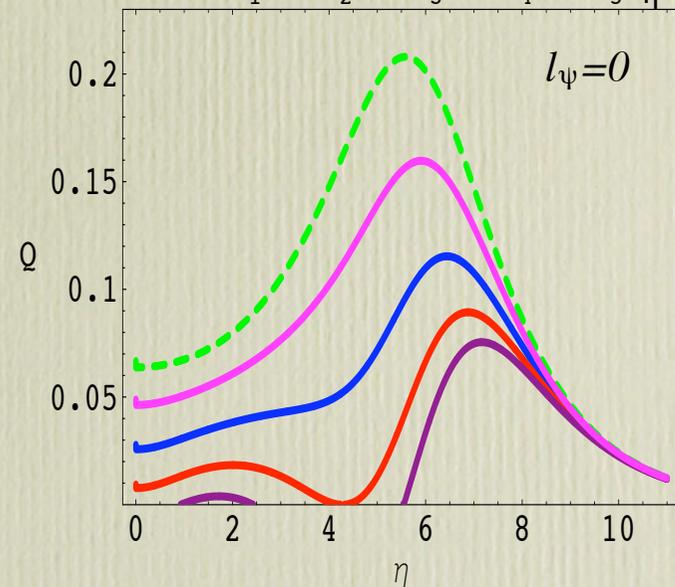
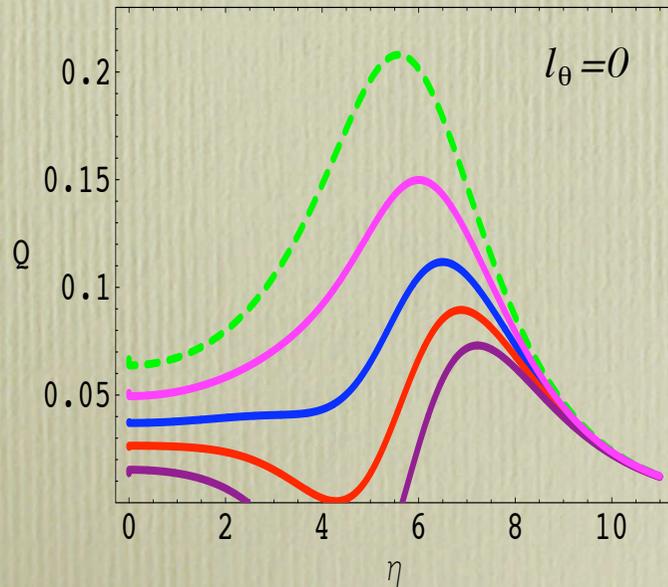
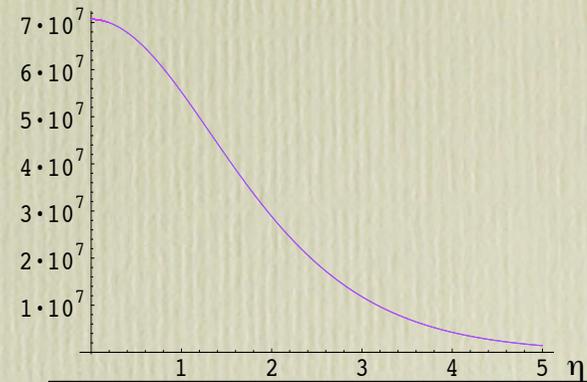
- Introducing **angular momentum generates a centrifugal barrier for the brane.**
  - *Zeros of Q correspond to new turning points.*

# Klebanov Strassler

$$ds_{10}^2 = h^{-1/2}(\eta) dx_\mu dx^\mu + h^{1/2}(\eta) ds_6^2$$

$$h(\eta) \propto \epsilon^{-8/3} \int_\eta^\infty dx \frac{x \coth x - 1}{\sinh^2 x} (\sinh(2x) - 2x)^{1/3}$$

- KS provides most rich structure.
- *Two types* of bounces and cycles.



- The mirage pictures has serious drawbacks, but it does provide an example of a time-dependent bounce and cyclic toy cosmologies in string theory.
- Try using spinning moving branes as inflatons instead.

# DBI(nflation) in the Throat

Silverstein, Tong 2003

A moving brane sources inflation.

$$S = \frac{M_{Pl}^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} R + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} P(X, \phi^m)$$

$$P(X, \phi^m) = -g_s^{-1} \left[ h^{-1} \sqrt{1 + h g_{mn} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi^m \partial_\nu \phi^n} - q h^{-1} + V(\phi^m) \right]$$

$$E = \frac{1}{h} [\gamma - q] + V$$

$$P = \frac{1}{h} [q - \gamma^{-1}] - V$$

$$\gamma \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - hv^2}}$$

$$v^2 = g_{mn} \dot{\phi}^m \dot{\phi}^n$$

Brane position in throat given by field:  $\phi$

$$\dot{H} = -\frac{3\beta}{2h} \left( \frac{h^2 \left( \frac{H^2}{\beta} - V \right)^2 + 2qH \left( \frac{H^2}{\beta} - V \right) + q^2 - 1}{q + h \left( \frac{H^2}{\beta} - V \right)} \right)$$

$$g_{\phi\phi} \dot{\phi}^2 = h^{-1} \left[ 1 - \frac{1 + h \frac{\ell(\phi)^2}{a^6}}{q + h \left( \frac{H^2}{\beta} - V \right)} \right]$$

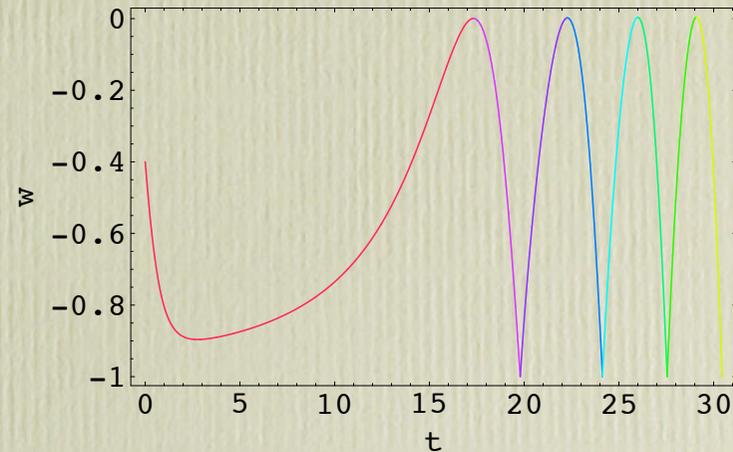
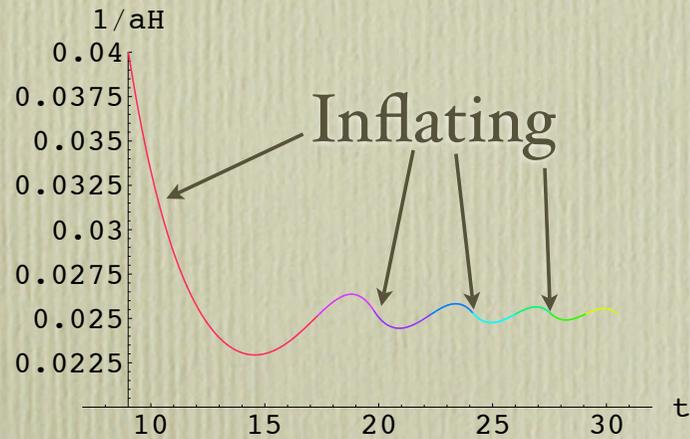
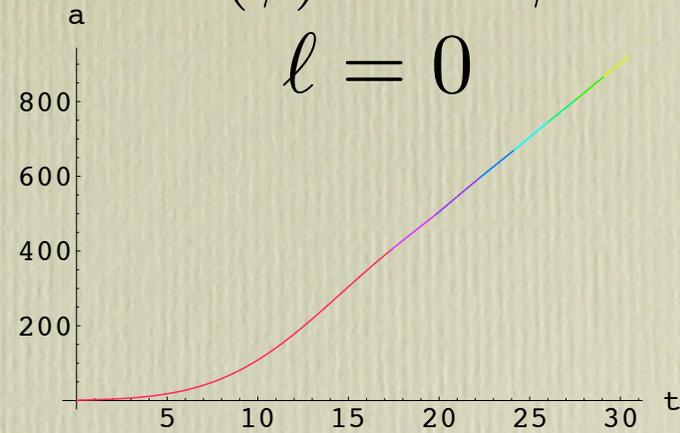
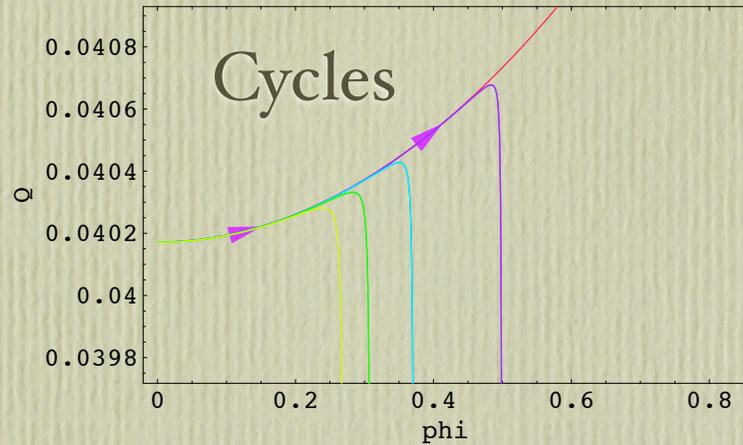
- Bounces remain (but not with sufficient efoldings of inflation).
- Cycles remain when brane passes through the nonsingular tip.

# *DB Inflation in KS*

(General properties)

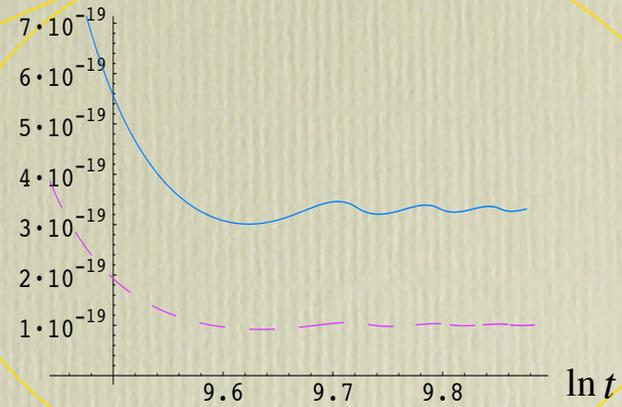
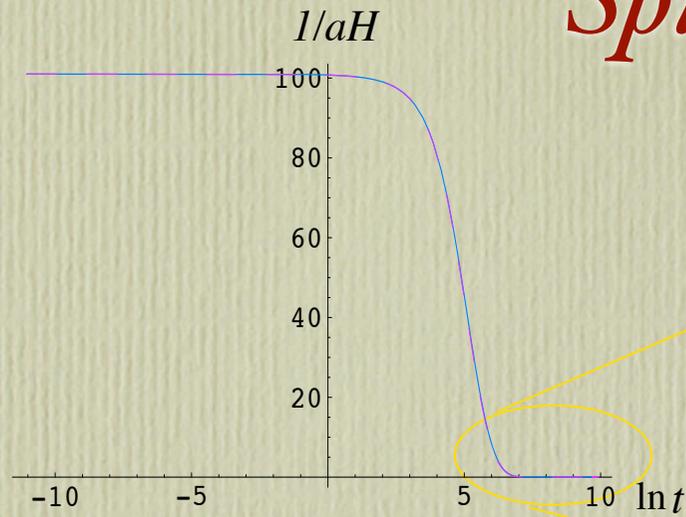
$$V(\phi) = m^2 \phi^2$$

$$\ell = 0$$



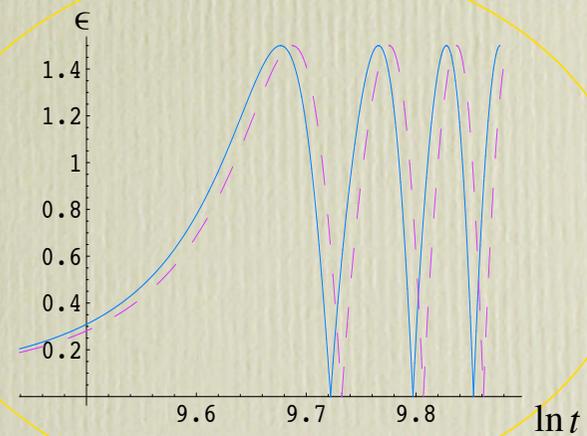
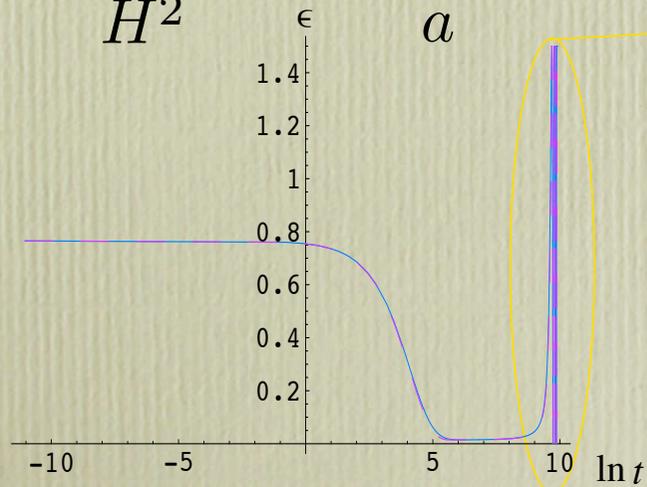
$$w_{eff} = \frac{P}{E} = \frac{1 - \gamma^{-1} - Vh}{\gamma - 1 + Vh}$$

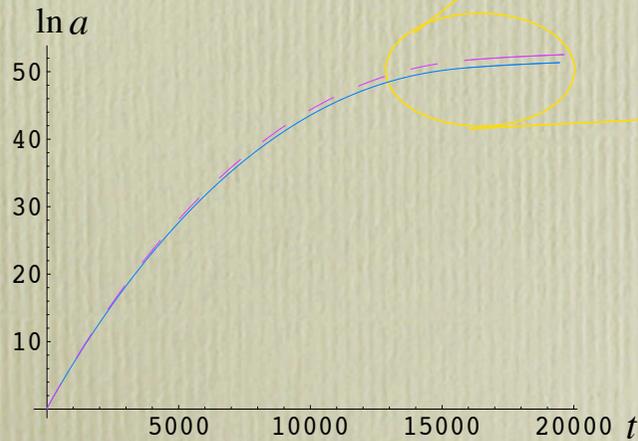
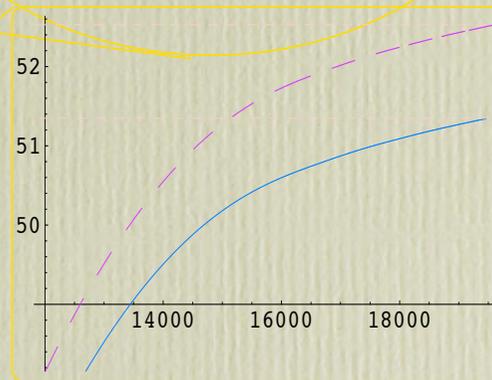
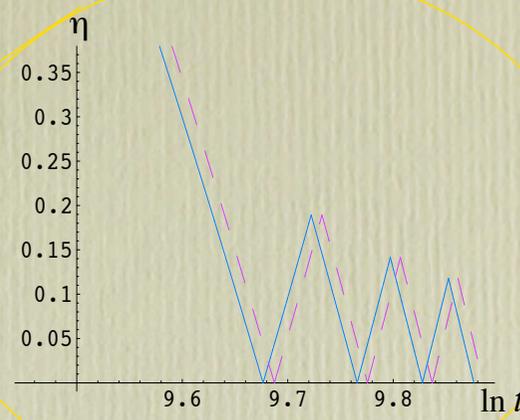
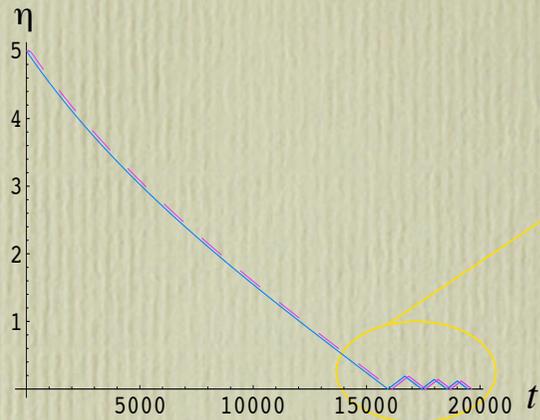
# Spinflation



$$\epsilon = -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2}$$

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = H^2(1 - \epsilon)$$





- *spinflatons* prolong inflation
- *new observational predictions*
- inflaton couples to SM fields: *reheating*

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2}g^2\phi^2\chi^2 - h\bar{\psi}\psi\phi$$

# Non-Gaussianities

- In Special Relativity particles (zero branes) move with action:

$$S = \int dt \sqrt{1 - \dot{x}^2}$$

- For a brane moving through a warped background:

$$S_{DBI} = \int dt d\vec{x} h^{-1}(\phi) \sqrt{1 - h(\phi) \partial^\mu \phi \partial_\mu \phi}$$

In standard slow roll inflation  $|n_s - 1| \ll 1$

In DBI  $f_{NL} \propto \gamma^2$   $\gamma \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - hv^2}}$

# *Conclusions*

- Building rigorous models of inflation in string theory is new! Specific models make observational predictions (e.g. cosmic strings, non-gaussianity, gravity waves).
- Considering brane dynamics with angular momentum and cycling behavior gives rich, new phenomenology.
- Preliminary work (in progress) indicates angular momentum will not help much with getting a successful inflationary scenario... but it *can* help some.
- The search for observational effects of spinflation is on:

DAE, Gregory, Mota, Tasinato, Zavala *to appear*