

# DD-MATTER

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## Motivation:

### WELL STUDIED PARTICLE-LIKE STATES

zero modes  $\leftarrow$  SM matter  $0$

KK tower  $\leftarrow$  effect of extra. D.  $\frac{n}{R} \sim n M_c$

Winding states  $\leftarrow$  non-local stringy states  $\frac{nR}{\alpha'} \sim n \frac{M_s^2}{M_c}$

string resonances  $\leftarrow$  stringy excitations  $\sqrt{n} M_s$

Monopoles  $\leftarrow$  topological defects  $\frac{\langle \phi \rangle}{g_{YM}}$   
(t'Hooft - Polyakov) from SSB

## D-matter

### NEW TYPE OF PARTICLE-LIKE STATES

NON-PERT. OBJ. in string theory.

# D-brane (WELL-KNOWN PROPERTIES & APPLICATIONS)

## - NON-PERT. obj.

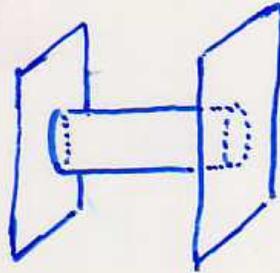
- Open strings can end

↳ matter and gauge fields

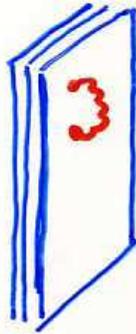
$$\int \frac{1}{g_s} F^2 \rightarrow g_s \propto g_{YM}^2$$

- potential sources of RR fields  $C_{M_1 \dots M_p}$

- tension  $T \propto \frac{M_s}{g_s}$



## - Model building (D-brane as backgrounds)



$D_p$

$(t, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, \dots, x_p)$

↑  
OUR WORLD

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compact. e.g. orbifold

orientifold  
brane world

intersecting D-branes

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## D-matter (D-BRANES AS PARTICLES)

- $D_p$  if  $p \leq 6$ , compactify all spatial dim. of the world volume.

↓  $\Rightarrow$  compact obj behaves like a particle

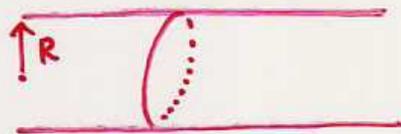
world-line

$$m_D \sim \frac{M_s^{p+1} V_p}{g_s} \sim \frac{M_s}{g_s}$$

e.g. D-particle (D0-brane)

e.g. D-string (D1-brane)

$$m_D \sim \frac{M_s^2 R}{g_s}$$



D-branes as excitations

## Properties of D-matter

- Mass

$$M_D = \frac{M_s^{p+1} V_p}{g_s} \sim \frac{M_s^{p+1} R_D^p}{g_s} \quad \frac{1}{R_D} \leq M_s \rightarrow M_D \geq \frac{M_s}{g_s}$$

$$M_{Pl}^2 = \frac{M_s^2 V_6}{g_s^2} \sim M_s^2 R_D^p R^{6-p} / g_s^2$$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{M_D}{M_{Pl}} \sim \frac{1}{(M_s \cdot R)^{3-p/2}} \rightarrow M_D \ll M_{Pl} \text{ if } \begin{matrix} p < 6 \\ M_s R \gg 1 \end{matrix}$$

\*: Gauge field living on Dp-brane

$$M_s^{p-3} \frac{1}{g_s} \int F^2 dx^{p+1} \rightarrow \frac{1}{g_{YM}^2} = \frac{V_{p-3}}{g_s} M_s^{p-3}$$

$$M_{Pl}^2 = \frac{1}{g_{YM}^2} \frac{V_6}{V_{p-3}} M_s^{11-p}$$

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low string scale possible

- Mass of D-matter is not constrained to be close to the Planck scale.

- Comparing with heterotic scenario

• Type I - heterotic duality Polchinski & Witten, '96

$$\frac{1}{g_s} \leftrightarrow g_h$$

D0 particle  $\leftrightarrow$  1st string resonance  $\propto M_s$

D1 string  $\leftrightarrow$  fundamental string

- However

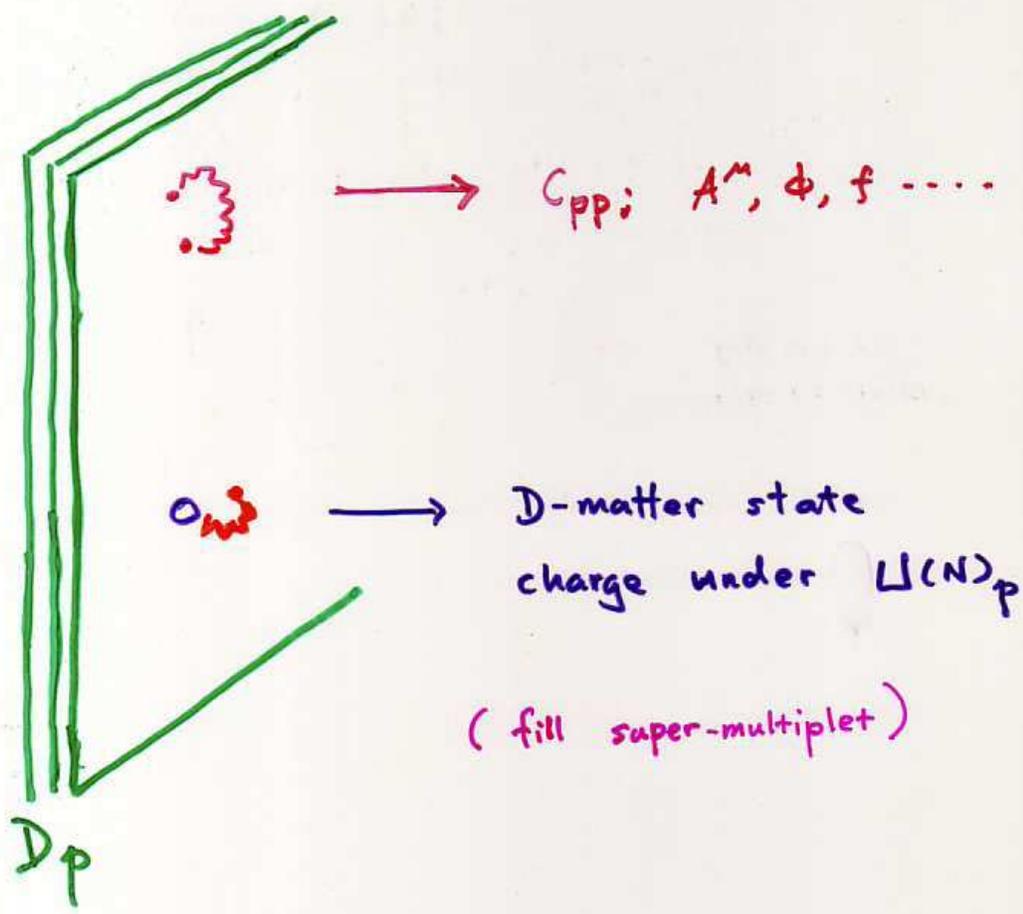
$$\frac{1}{g_{YM}^2} = \frac{1}{g_s^2} V_6 M_s^6$$

$$\rightarrow M_p^2 = \frac{M_s^2}{g_{YM}^2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{grav}} = \frac{m_s^8}{g_s^2} \int \sqrt{|g|} R dx^{10}$$

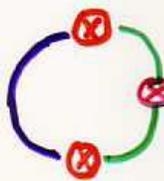
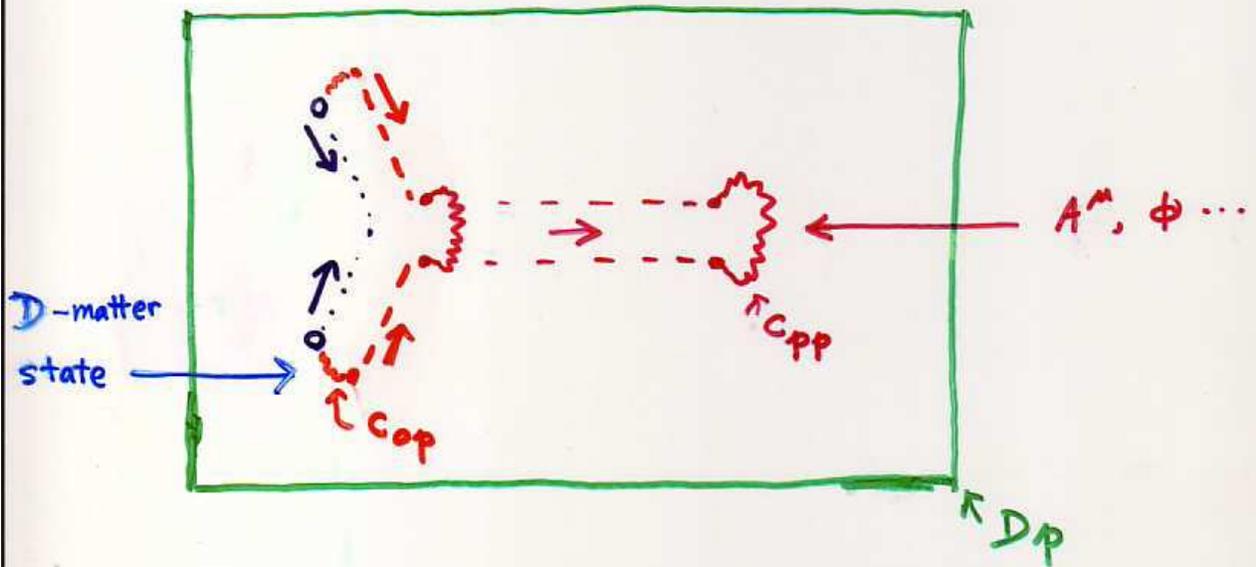
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{YM}} = \frac{m_s^6}{g_s^2} \int F^2 dx^{10}$$

$$g_s = g_{YM}$$



# D-matter interactions

"brane-in-brane"



Gaiotto et al. 2000

$$\rightarrow C_{pp} C_{op} C_{op} \rightarrow \begin{cases} g_{YM} \bar{D} \gamma^{\mu} A_{\mu} D \\ y \bar{D} D \phi \end{cases}$$

Power counting:  $g_s \frac{N_c}{4} - \mathcal{L} = g_s^{1/2}$

$$\rightarrow g_{YM} \sim y \sim g_s^{1/2}$$

- Comparing with monopoles

't Hooft - Polyakov  
monopole

D-matter

mass

$$\frac{\langle \phi \rangle}{g_{YM}} \sim \frac{Mx}{g_{YM}^2}$$

$$\frac{M_s}{g_s} \sim \frac{M_s}{g_{YM}^2}$$

(size)<sup>-1</sup>

$$\frac{\lambda \langle \phi \rangle}{g_{YM} \langle \phi \rangle}$$

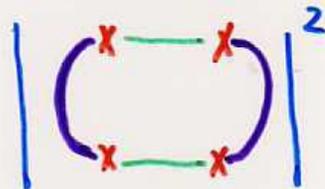
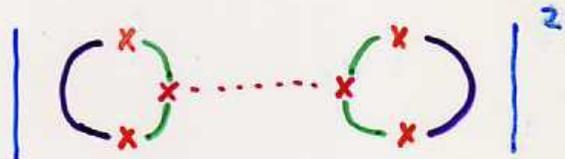
$$g_s^\lambda M_s \begin{cases} \lambda = \frac{1}{3} & \text{brane-probe} \\ \lambda = 0 & \text{string-probe} \end{cases}$$

interaction  
(IR)

$$\propto \mu_m \quad \mu_m = \frac{\pi}{g_{YM}}$$

$$\propto g_{YM} \\ \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow$$

$$\Gamma(D\bar{D} \rightarrow D\bar{D}) \propto$$



More Carefully

$$C_{op} C_{op} C_{p,p} \propto g_s^{\frac{1}{2}} \overset{\substack{\text{"Form-factor"} \\ \downarrow}}{F}(s, t, \alpha') + g_s G(s, t, \alpha') \\ + \dots$$

→ depending on momentum exchange  $q$

corrections  $\propto q/M_s$  could be important

→ for production/annihilation

$$s \gtrsim 4M_s^2$$

→  $F, G$  fully calculable for pert. string states

$$q \rightarrow 0 \quad F \rightarrow \underline{1}$$

$$s \rightarrow \infty \quad \dots e^{-\alpha' s}$$

A full string theory calculation of product/annihilation (all  $\alpha'$  corrections...) impossible.

- pert. string states: vertex operator, CFT (world-sheet formulation)
- D-brane are not part of pert. spectrum.

waiting for string field theory ----

- Some insights/estimates from duality

Type-I D0  $\leftrightarrow$  excited strings (heterotic)  
 $\uparrow$   
pert. states.

Tree-level Four-point Amplitude (all in  $-1/2$  picture):

$$A_4 \sim C_0 \hat{N}^4 \langle c\bar{c}V_1^{-1/2}(z_1, \bar{z}_1)V_2^{-1/2}(z_2, \bar{z}_2)c\bar{c}V_3^{-1/2}(z_3, \bar{z}_3)c\bar{c}V_4^{-1/2}(z_4, \bar{z}_4) \rangle$$

where  $C_0 = (2\pi)^{-4} \alpha'^{-5} g_h^{-2}$  and  $\hat{N} = 8\pi^{5/2} \alpha'^2 g_h$ . Hence  $A_4 \sim g_h^2 \sim g_Y^2 M^2$ .

Vertex operators of first excited string states:

$$V^{-1/2}(z, \bar{z}) = e^{-\phi(z)/2} e_{\mu\nu\alpha} i\partial_z X^\mu \theta^\alpha(z) e^{ik \cdot X(z, \bar{z})} C_K e^{i\frac{K}{\sqrt{2\alpha}} \cdot \tilde{X}(\bar{z})}$$

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where  $k^2 = -4/\alpha'$  and  $K^2 = 4$ .

Vertex operators of massless states:

$$V^{-1/2}(z, \bar{z}) = e^{-\phi(z)/2} u_\alpha \theta^\alpha(z) e^{ik \cdot X(z, \bar{z})} \mathcal{O}(\bar{z})$$

with  $k^2 = 0$ ,  $\mathcal{O}(\bar{z}) = \bar{\partial} \tilde{X}^I(\bar{z})$  for Cartan generators, and  $\mathcal{O}(\bar{z}) = C_K e^{i\frac{K}{\sqrt{2\alpha}} \cdot \tilde{X}(\bar{z})}$  with  $K^2 = 2$  for the remaining 480 generators. Consider

$$k_1 = (E, 0, \dots, 0, k)$$

$$k_2 = (E, 0, \dots, 0, -k)$$

$$k_3 = (-E, 0, \dots, -E \cos \theta, -E \sin \theta)$$

$$k_4 = (-E, 0, \dots, E \cos \theta, E \sin \theta).$$

$$K_1 = -K_2 = \left(+\frac{1}{2}, \dots, +\frac{1}{2}\right),$$

$$K_3 = -K_4 = (0, \dots, 0, +1, 0, \dots, 0, +1, 0, \dots).$$

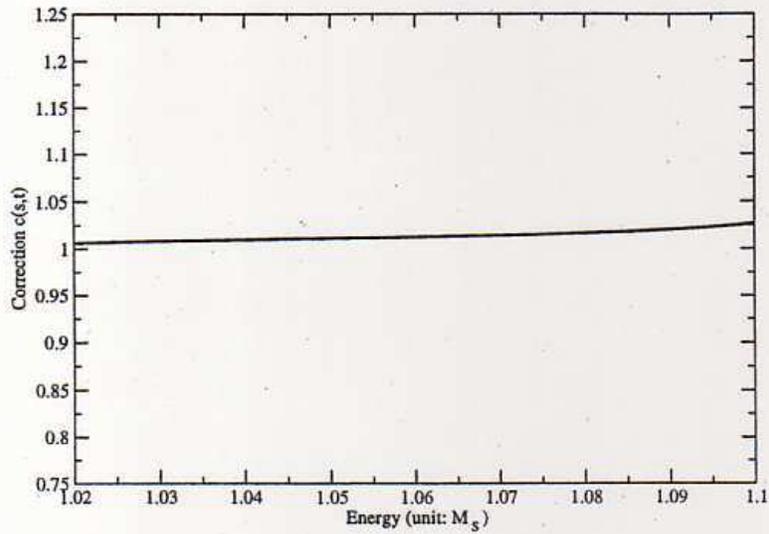
$$\mathcal{A} \propto 2\pi \times \frac{\Gamma(\alpha' s/4 + \alpha' u/4 - 2) \Gamma(-\alpha' s/4) \Gamma(1 - \alpha' u/4)}{\Gamma(\alpha' u/4 - 3) \Gamma(\alpha' s/4 + 2) \Gamma(1 - \alpha' s/4 - \alpha' u/4)}$$

The four-point amplitude takes the form:

$$\mathcal{A}_4 = \frac{f(u, t)}{s} + g(s, t, u, \alpha')$$

Comparing the stringy corrections  $g(s, t, u, \alpha')$  to the usual s-channel gauge boson exchange in field theory.

Correction as a function of energy of the incoming state



The corrections are of the same order as the field theory result.

# Stability of D-matter and CDM

- Other candidates of CDM

LSP of MSSM with R-parity

$$P_R = (-1)^{3(B-L)+2s} \quad \lambda LLE + \lambda' LQD + \mu LH \dots$$

superpartners  $-1$  under  $P_R \rightarrow$  stable LSP

Weakly coupled LSP  $\rightarrow \Omega_{\text{CDM}}$

LKP


$$S^1/Z_2 \quad Z_2' \quad A \leftrightarrow B \quad \int_A = \int_B \rightarrow \text{symm.}$$

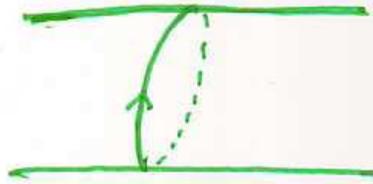
$n=4$  KK states  $(-1)$  under  $Z_2'$   
 $\rightarrow$  stable!

LBP "baryon" number  $Z_3$

$\vdots$

LDP

LWP ?



- Winding state as stable CDM candidate?

Stability  $\leftrightarrow$  Winding # Conservation  
 $\updownarrow$  T-dual  
momentum conservation

- realistic orbifold usually break winding # Conservation

$$\begin{array}{l} Z_2 \quad \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow -\mathbb{Z} \\ Z_3 \quad \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow e^{i\frac{2\pi}{3}} \mathbb{Z} \end{array}$$

No invariant 1-cycle ( $d\mathbb{Z}$ )

## - Stability of LDP

### → BPS

Conserved RR charge  $\sim n$

$n=1$  state stable

example: D0 brane in IIA

### → Non-BPS w/ conserved charge

conserved charge under twisted RR field

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orbifold fix point

### → Non-BPS without conserved charge

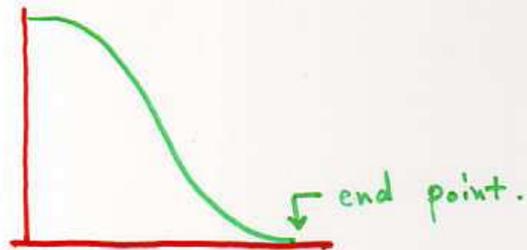
No conserved charge

Orientifold / comp. project out the tachyon mode.

## Stable D-particle (D0) of Type I

### - D-brane decay and tachyon

unstable D-brane  $\leftrightarrow$  tachyon in open string spectrum



### - Possible end-points of tachyon Vac.

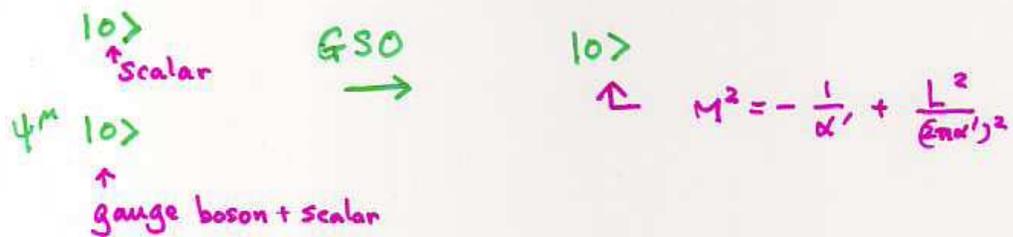
- Vac. w/ closed strings

- lower dimensional stable D-branes

$D0$  from  $D1 + \overline{D1}$  system.

$D1 + \overline{D1}$

NS sector



$\rightarrow$  unstable

$\rightarrow$  No gauge symm (continuous)

$\rightarrow$  discrete  $Z_2 \times Z_2$  tachyon charge  $\pm(1, -1)$

$\downarrow$  disconnect vac.

$\Rightarrow$  Kink tachyon cannot unwind.

End point of  $D1 + \overline{D1}$  is a stable  $\widehat{D0}$

Formally, stable D-branes  $\leftrightarrow$  K-theory

Type I:  $D1$   $D5$

$D(-1), D0, D7, D8$

Prospect of explaining  $\Omega_{\text{CDM}}$  (estimates).

high scale:  $M_S \sim 10^{11-12} \text{ GeV}$

Wimpzillas! D. Chung, E. Kolb. '97, '98

e.g. production during reheating

$$\Omega_{\text{CDM}} \sim M_D^2 \langle \sigma v \rangle \left( \frac{g_H}{200} \right)^{-3/2} \left( \frac{10^3 T_{\text{RH}}}{M_D} \right)^7$$

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle \sim \alpha_{\text{YM}} M_D^{-2}$$

IF  $T_{\text{RH}} \sim 10^9 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\Omega_{\text{CDM}} \sim 0.1$

Low scale:  $M_S \sim \text{TeV}$

$$M_D \sim \frac{M_S}{g_{\text{YM}}^2}$$

like a usual wimp

$$\Omega_{\text{CDM}} \sim \frac{3 \times 10^{-6}}{\alpha_{\text{YM}}^2} \left( \frac{M_D}{100 \text{ GeV}} \right)^2$$

$$\sigma(D\bar{D} \rightarrow \dots)_{\text{PP}} \propto \left| \begin{array}{cc} \text{op} & \text{PP} \\ \text{X} & \text{X} \\ \text{X} & \text{X} \end{array} \right|^2$$

# Mass splittings in D-matter tower

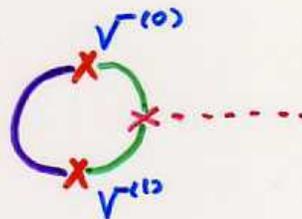
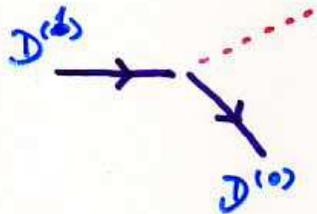
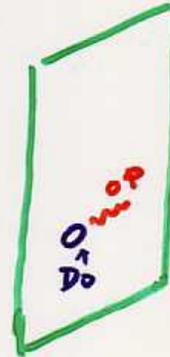
- D-matter states

$$|D^{(i)}\rangle = |D_0\rangle \otimes |\sqrt{op}^{(i)}\rangle$$

Ground state  $|D^{(0)}\rangle = |D_0\rangle \otimes |\sqrt{op}^{(0)}\rangle$

1st excited state  $|D^{(1)}\rangle = |D_0\rangle \otimes |\sqrt{op}^{(1)}\rangle$

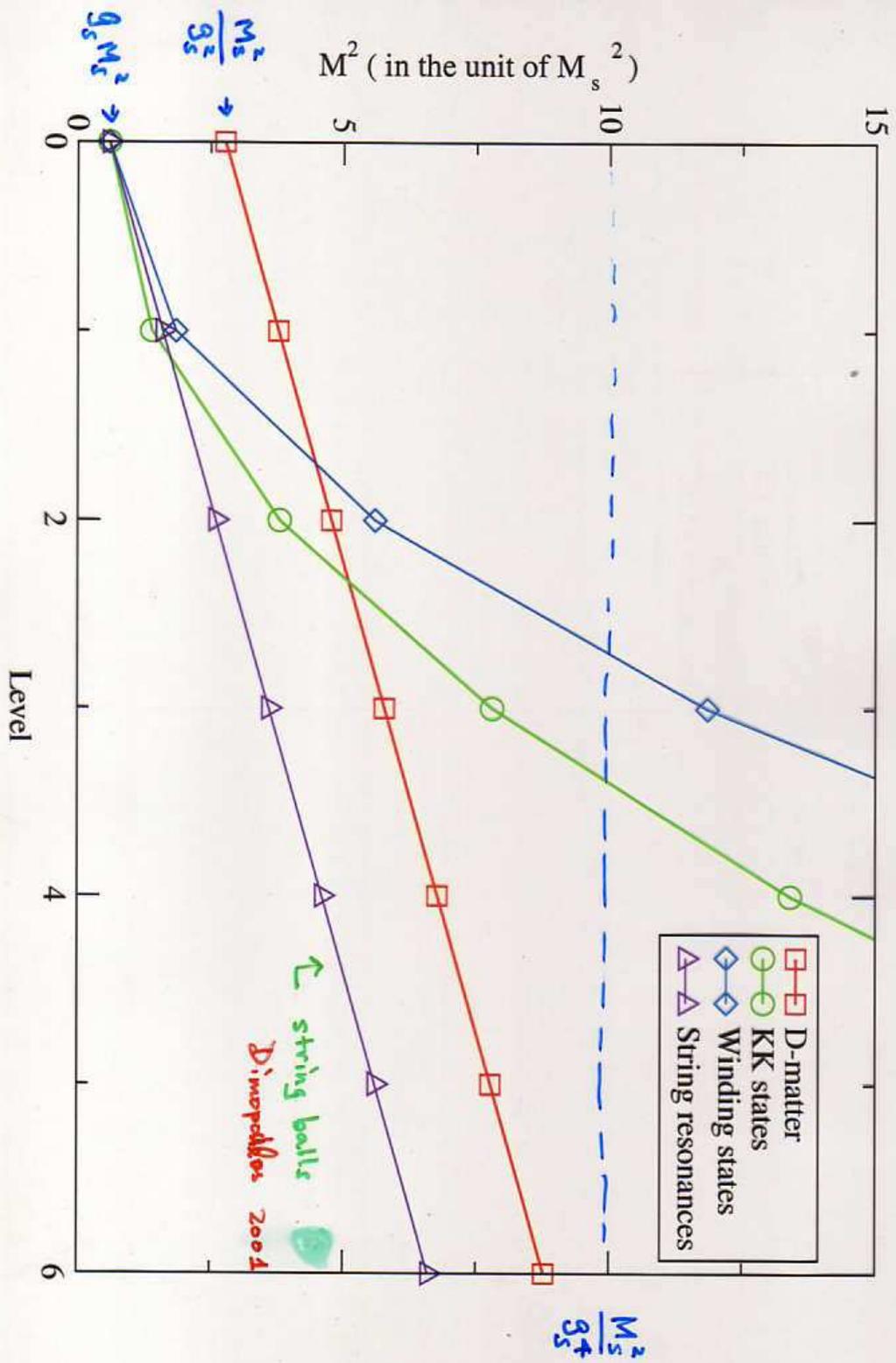
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- Mass splittings

"bare" state + resonances

$$m_{D^{(n)}}^2 = \frac{M_S^2}{g_S^2} + n M_S^2 \quad \left( L_0^{D_0} + L_0^{(op)} |D^{(i)}\rangle = 0 \right)$$





## Conclusions.

- D-matter are <sup>interesting</sup> & important states to study.
  - distinct mass dep. on the scales & couplings  $\sim \frac{M_s}{g_s}$
  - Perturbative couplings  $\propto g_s^{1/2} \sim g_{YM}$
  - generically exist.
- Two generic pheno. features
  - CDM
  - distinct mass splittings
- Future directions
  - Classification of stable D-branes in a "realistic" model
  - Better understandings of interactions.