

An introduction to
brane world
cosmology

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Overview

- principles
- bulk and brane
- extradimensions
- compactification
- ADD vs. Randall-Sundrum
- scalar fields
- brane collisions
- ekpyrosis and cyclic universe



Standard cosmology

- GR world is 4D manifold: space-time
- Robertson-Walker metric
- Λ cosmology
- cosmological constant, dark energy
- Λ CDM in a flat, expanding universe
- FRW equations
- Hubble constant
- inflation
- Big Bang



Motivation to brane world

- coincidence problem:

$$\Omega_{\Lambda} \sim \Omega_m$$

solution: Λ becomes dynamical

**quintessence models (QCDM),
brane worlds**

- hierarchy problem:

weakness of gravitation!

Planck scale $\sim 10^{19}$ GeV

electroweak scale ~ 1 TeV

16 decades discrepancy!

solution: **extradimensions,
brane worlds**



Extradimensions and brane worlds

- extradimensions (XDs):
 - ~1920: *Nordström, Kaluza-Klein*
 - ~1990: renaissance in QFT, SUSY; *Antoniadis*
- implications from string theories and M-theory: compactified extradimensions
- count XDs in particle accelerator black holes?
- standard model of particle physics is confined on a hypersurface, the **brane**
(etymology from *membrane* by *Paul Townsend*: *p-brane* has dimension p)
- brane is embedded in higher-dimensional space, the **bulk**



Bulk – brane topology

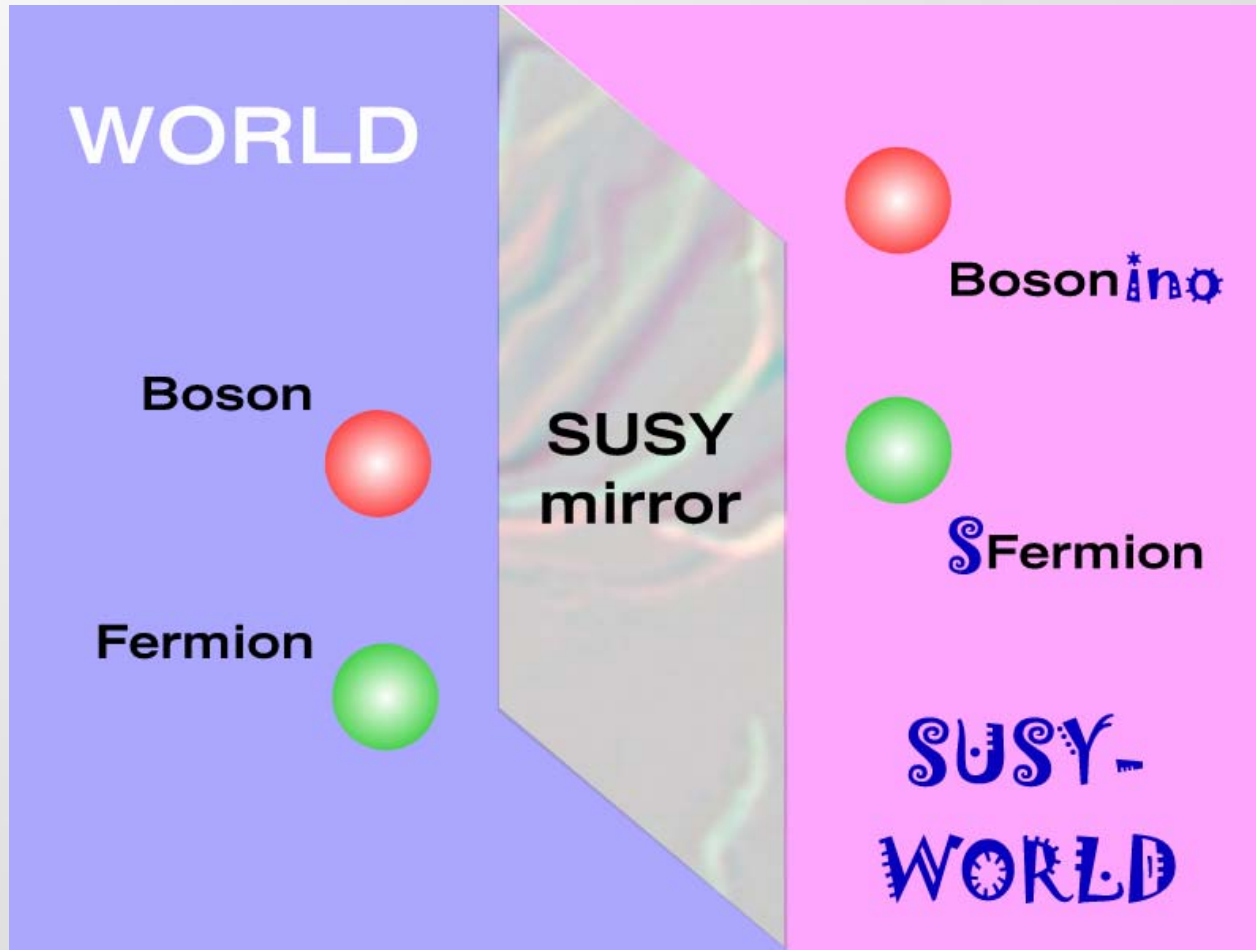


Brane world zoo

- number of extradimensions
- compactification vs. non- compactification
- flat vs. warped bulk geometry
- number of branes
- static vs. dynamical branes (brane collisions)
- vacuum bulk vs. bulk scalar fields



Supersymmetry



SUSY mirror creates particle zoo



String theory

- 5 supersymmetric string theories connected via **dualities** hint for **M-theory**
- 11D supergravity (SUGRA) connects GR with SUSY
- SUGRA is low-energy limit ($l \gg l_{Pl}$) of M-theory and therefore all string theories
- 11D SUGRA has 11th dimension compactified on an orbifold (with Z_2 symmetry)
- boundaries of 11D space-time are 10D „planes“
- on planes E_8 gauge groups confined
- **Calabi-Yau threefold** represents compactified space of 6 dimensions of 11D („microscopic ball“)
- **heterotic string theory** $E_8 \times E_8$ results in brane world (*Horava & Witten 1996*)



String theory: ADD model

- motivation for 5D space-times with 4D boundary branes
- ADD scenario: **large extradimensions (LXDs)**
- **flat** bulk geometry 4+d
- d compactified extradimensions
- reduced Planck scale:
$$M_{P,ADD}^2 = M_{fund}^{2+d} R^d$$
$$M_{fund}: 4+d \text{ Planck scale}$$
- radii $< R$: **non-Newtonian gravity**

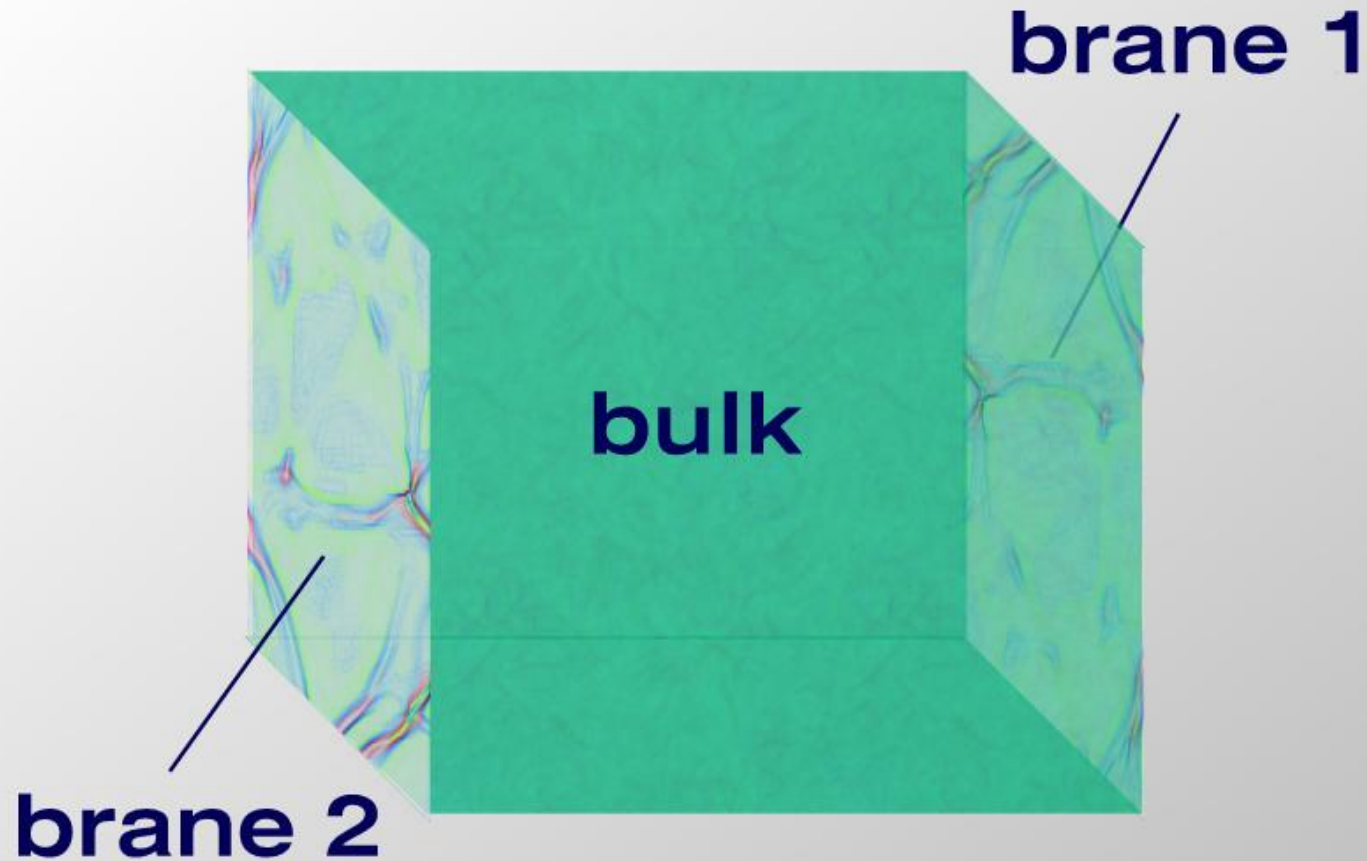


Newton's law modified

- SM restricted to brane, gravity propagates into bulk
- extradimensions compactified to radius R
- 1st implication: **Newton $1/r^2$ injured** for radii $\sim R$
- tests with Cavendish experiments show **no evidence** up to now
- if LXD exist, then $R \ll 1 \text{ mm}$



2-brane system



hypersurface: $D_{brane} = D_{bulk} - 1$



Randall-Sundrum I model

- **2-brane system**
- **warped** (*curved*) bulk geometry 4+d
- bulk metric is slice of **Anti de Sitter** (AdS₅) space-time, $\Lambda < 0$, **5D**:

$$ds^2 = e^{-2K(y)} \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + dy^2$$

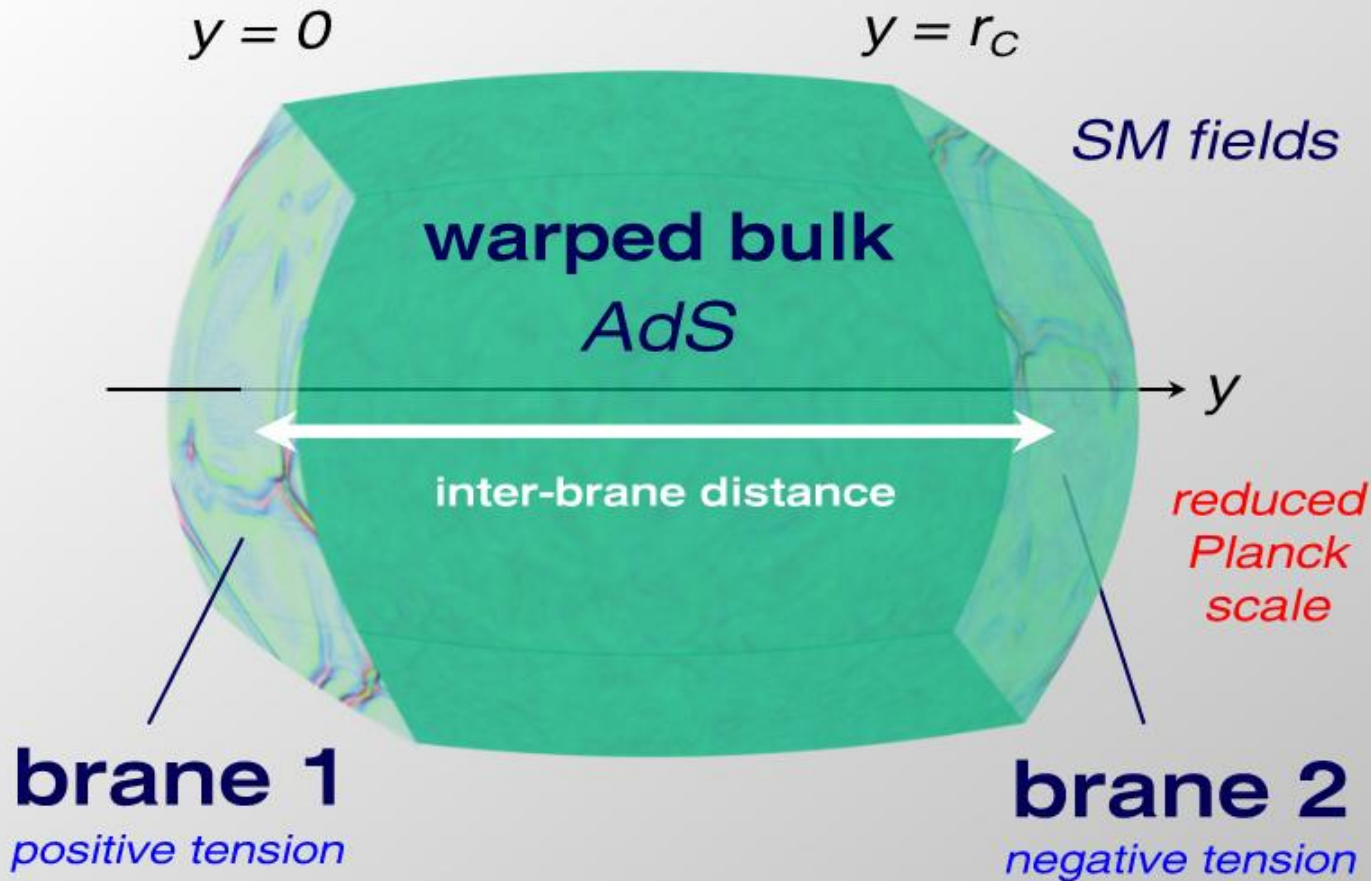
- new: restoration of Newton's law on brane with positive tension embedded in infinite LXD!
- solution of the **hierarchy problem**

(10¹⁹ GeV Planck vs. 100 GeV electroweak):

2-brane model (RSI)



Randall-Sundrum I model



remark: branes are **Minkowski-flat**

Randall-Sundrum I model

- highly-curved AdS background
 - implies **large gravitational redshift** of energy-scale between branes
- hierarchy due to large **inter-brane distance** r_c
- Planck scale (on negative tension brane) is reduced to TeV:
$$M_{P,RS}^2 \sim \exp(2kr_c) M_5^3/k, \quad k = (-\Lambda_5 \kappa_5^2/6)^{1/2}$$

Λ_5 : 5D negative cosmological constant on bulk
 κ_5 : 5D gravitational coupling constant
 M_5 : 5D Planck mass
- **fine tuning problem:**
radius of LXD, r_c , tunes hierarchy scale
- **radion** as bulk scalar field (later!)



Randall-Sundrum II model

- AdS background
- send negative tension brane to infinity
- effectively **non-compact** 1-brane model
- contrast to KK (all XDs compactified):
gravitational field has **continuum** of KK modes
- consequence:
correction of gravitational force on brane



Randall-Sundrum II model

- modified Newton potential for point masses on the brane

$$V(r) = \frac{G_N m_1 m_2}{r} \left(1 + \frac{l^2}{r^2} + O(r^{-3}) \right)$$



with $l^2 = -6/(\Lambda_5 \kappa^2_5)$

- experiments prove $l < 1$ mm



Randall-Sundrum II model

- modified Friedmann equation in 5D

$$H^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho_M \left[1 + \frac{\rho_M}{2\sigma} \right] + \frac{\Lambda_4}{3} + \frac{\mu}{a^4}$$
$$\frac{8\pi G}{3} = \frac{\sigma}{18}$$
$$\frac{\Lambda_4}{3} = \frac{\sigma^2}{36} + \frac{\Lambda_5}{6}$$

split in
matter
and
brane
tension

- tuning between Λ_5 and σ establishes $\Lambda_4 = 0$
- gravitational constant depends on tension σ
- μ is *dark radiation* term



Observational constraints

- **nucleosynthesis**

$$\sigma > (1 \text{ MeV})^4,$$

then classical Friedmann eq. established at z_{nucl} , otherwise abundances significantly changed

- **Newton's law tests**

$$\sigma > (100 \text{ GeV})^4, \kappa_5^{-3} > 10^5 \text{ TeV},$$

then classical Friedmann eq. established at z_{nucl} , otherwise abundances significantly changed

- **cosmology**

$$\mu < 0.1 \rho_{\text{phot}}; \text{ typically assumed } \mu = 0$$

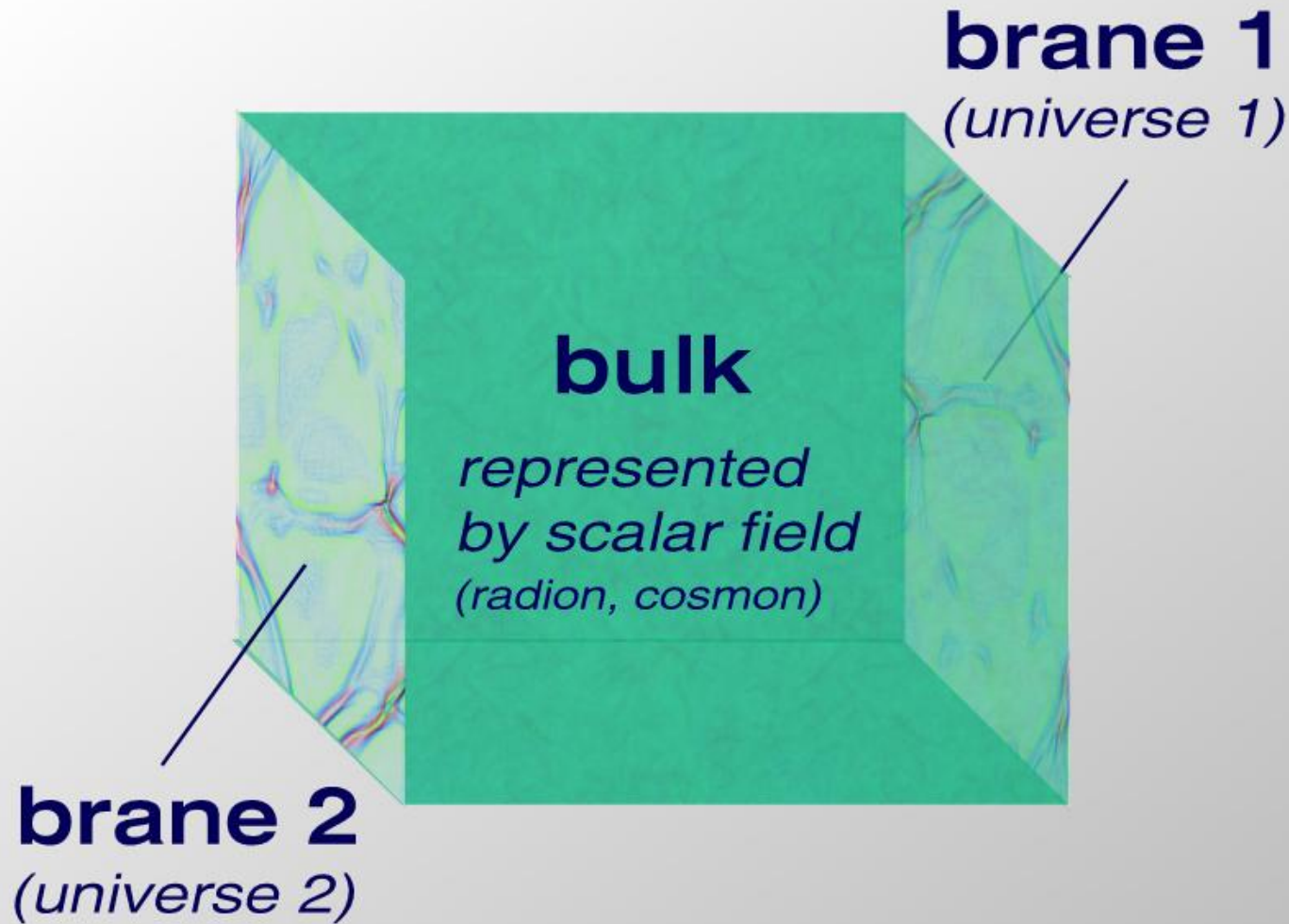


Technical aspects

- start with **action** (Einstein-Hilbert, ansatz for brane: contains tension)
- derive **Einstein equations** as EOM, including **Klein-Gordon equation**
- **solve** this set of equations (integration...)
- deduce **bulk metric** (AdS, Schwarzschild etc.)
- identify **tunings** ($\Lambda_5 - \sigma -$ relation etc.)
- discuss resulting **cosmology**, e.g. modified Friedmann equations, effective cosmological constants...



Bulk scalar field



Bulk scalar field

- up2now: *empty* bulks
- now: fill bulk with **scalar field**
- **dynamical** brane configurations!
- bulk back reaction parametrized by *Weyl tensor* and *loss parameter*
- discuss modified Friedmann eq.
- Klein-Gordon eq.:
time dependence of scalar field
 - trace of energy-stress tensor on brane
 - gradient of bulk potential
- G becomes **time-dependent**: $G = G(z)$
- fine-structure constant has time evolution
- bulk scalar field can play role of **quintessence**



Scalar field

- energy density, pressure, potential energy

$$\rho_\phi = \frac{1}{2}\phi_{,\mu}\phi^{,\mu} + V(\phi)$$
$$p_\phi = \frac{1}{2}\phi_{,\mu}\phi^{,\mu} - V(\phi)$$

e.g. inflaton

- full evolution described by:
 - modified Friedmann eq.
 - Klein-Gordon eq.
 - Raychaudhuri eq.
- assume *slow-roll* regime
- result: brane world effects slow-roll scenarios



Scalar field - inflaton

- in slow-roll regime (1):
high potential vs. low kinetic energy of scalar field
- high negative pressure drives expansion of universe
- fall into potential well (2):
inflation ends, inflaton field oscillates and decays into matter and radiation

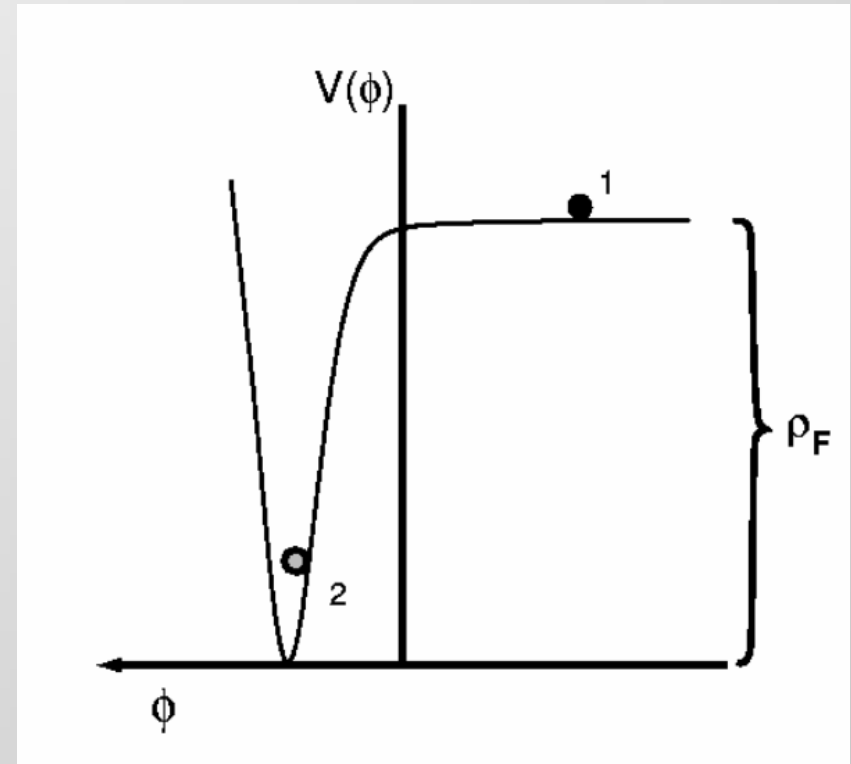


figure: Steinhardt & Turok 2002

$$\rho_\phi = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 + V(\phi)$$
$$p_\phi = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 - V(\phi)$$



Cosmology of 2-brane systems

- motivation: 1-brane system + scalar field generates **naked singularity** (bulk singularity, AdS horizon). This can be shielded with 2nd brane.
- bulk scalar field fixes inter-brane distance in RSI model
- consider **variable** inter-brane distance
- **radion**: inter-brane distance plays role of scalar field
- small radion field at late times: negative tension brane moves towards bulk singularity and might be destroyed or repelled



Cosmological constant

- observed $\Lambda \sim 0$ invokes extradimension effect
- hierarchy problem reemerges in a fine tuning problem of the inter-brane distance
- self-tuning idea: XD highly curved, but brane stays Minkowski-flat. But: bulk scalar field produces naked singularity. Vanishes with a 2nd brane.
- **Friedmann equations modified** at high energies

($\rho_m \gg \sigma$) in brane world models:

$$H \sim \rho_m$$

instead of classical 4D:

$$H \sim \rho_m^{1/2}$$



Ekpyrotic scenario

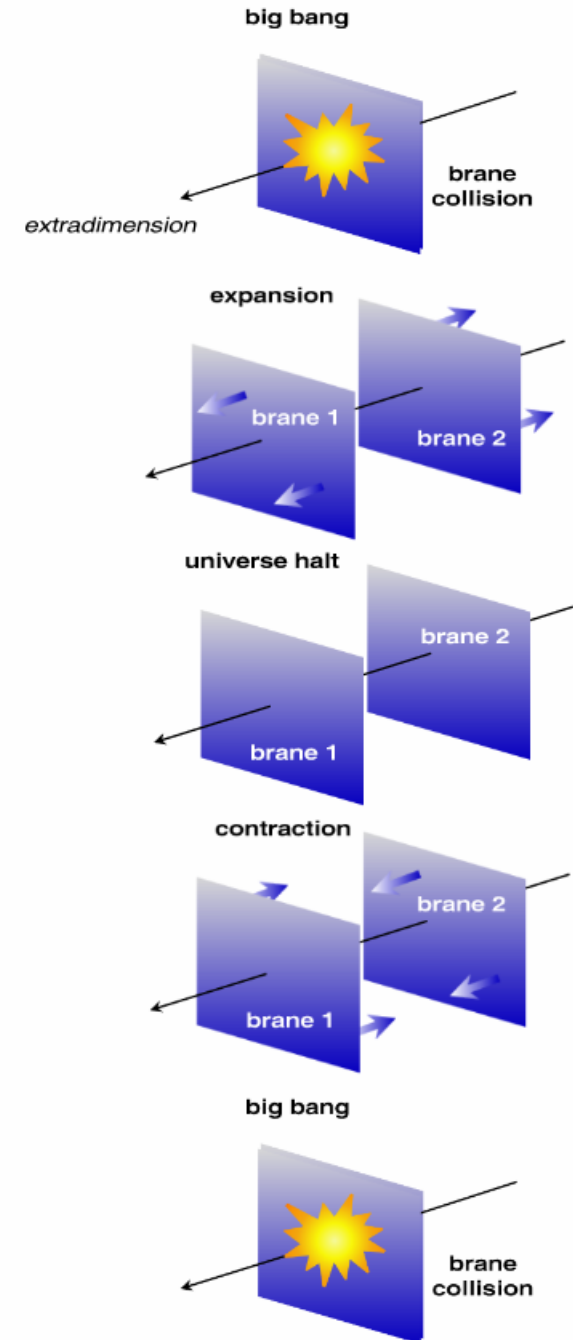
- initial state two flat 3-branes: our progenitor universe and a „parallel“ universe
- branes approach as mediated by radion field
- in **brane collision** event kinetic energy is transformed into quarks and leptons
- **no big bang singularity!**
- finite temperature 10^{23} K
- homogeneous and flat universe
- **no inflation!**
- no magnetic monopole formation (T too small)

Khoury et al. 2001



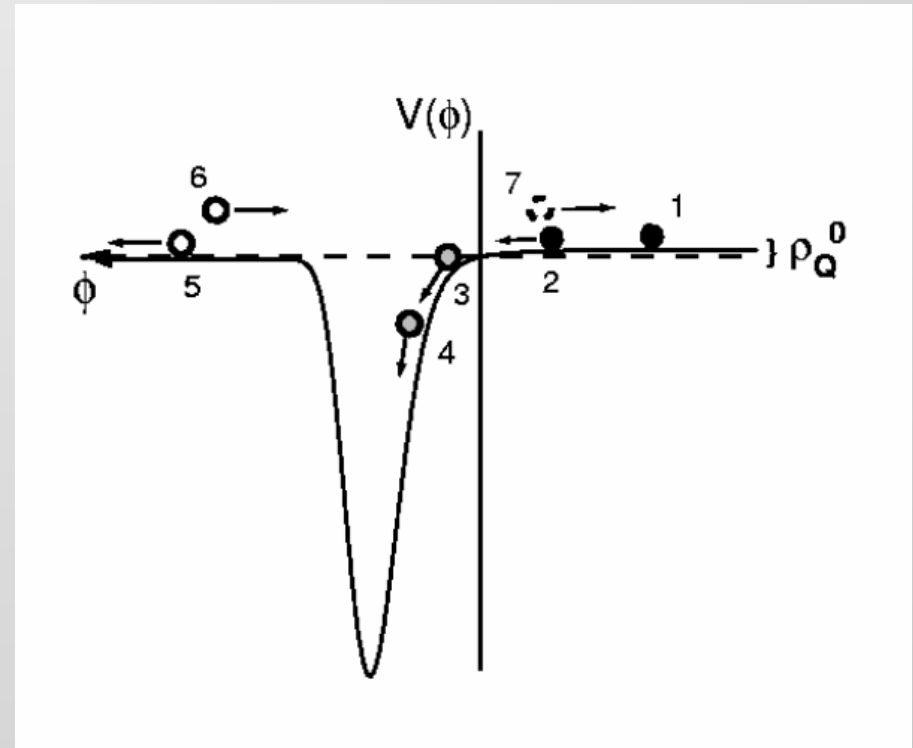
Cyclic Universe

- **periodic sequences** of ekpyrosis
- cycle of
big bang, expansion, contraction,
big crunch
- scalar field acts as dark energy
(precisely **quintessence**) that
accelerates and decelerates
- scalar field has natural geometrical
interpretation in string theory



Cyclic Universe

- (1) E_{pot} dominant
- (2) roll to well due to universe expansion and cooling
- (3) $E_{\text{pot}} = 0$, E_{kin} dominates universe, expansion decelerates
- (4) $E_{\text{pot}} < 0$, contraction
- (5) acceleration out of the minimum, scale factor zero: „crunch“
- (6) reheating of universe from kinetic energy conversion into matter and radiation
- (7) rush back



Brane Worlds – συν-οΨις

- existence of extradimensions
- $\Lambda = 0$ on the brane easily managed
- impact of brane cosmology on early universe
 $H \sim \rho_m$ instead of $H \sim \rho_m^{1/2}$
- **dark energy, quintessence** represented by scalar field
- ekpyrosis: 1st **explanation** of big bang!
- universe may evolve in cycles



Open questions

- effects of bulk gravitation on CMB and LSS
- boundary conditions on the brane
- variations of the bulk scalar field around the brane
- bulk scalar field as dark energy constituent
- shielded bulk singularity
- singularity problem in brane collisions



Cosmology news

- **$w = p/\rho = -1$** *Einsteins cosmological constant Λ*
high-z SN Typ Ia permanence measurements
(*Riess et al., February 2004*)
- distance ladder
z ~ 7 lensed IR galaxy
(*Kneib et al., February 2004*)
z ~ 10 lensed IR galaxy Abell 1835 IR 1916
lens magnification factor 25-100, $5 \times 10^8 M_{\odot}$, ISAAC/VLT
(*Pello et al., March 2004, astro-ph/0403025*)



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Abbreviations and Acronyms

- ADD: Arkani-Hamed, Dimopoulos & Dvali model
- AdS: Anti de Sitter space-time
- BH. Black Hole
- CMB: Cosmic Microwave Background
- D: Dimension
- EOM: Equation of Motion
- FRW: Friedmann-Robertson-Walker
- GR. General Relativity
- GW: Gravitational Wave
- KGE: Klein-Gordon Equation
- KK: Kaluza-Klein
- Λ CDM: Λ cosmology with cold dark matter
- LSS: Large Scale Structure
- LXD: Large Extra Dimension
- QCDM: quintessence cosmology with cold dark matter
- QFT: Quantum Field Theory
- RSI: Randall-Sundrum model I
- RSII : Randall-Sundrum model II
- SM: Standard Model of Particle Physics
- SUGRA: supergravitation
- SUSY: supersymmetry
- XD: Extra Dimension

