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F-theory GUTs with Discrete Symmetry Extensions

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Outline of the Talk

- ▲ Introductory remarks
- ▲ F-theory and Elliptic Fibration
- ▲ F-GUTs with discrete symmetries
- ▲ Mordell-Weil $U(1)$ and GUTs
- ▲ Concluding Remarks

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Properties of Ordinary GUTs

★ interesting features

- ▲ Gauge coupling unification
- ▲ Assembling of SM fermions in a few irreps.
- ▲ Charge Quantisation

★ deficiencies

- ▲ fermion mass hierarchy and mixing not predicted
- ▲ Yukawa Lagrangian poorly constrained
- ▲ Baryon number non-conservation

... Solution requires new insights ... such as:

Discrete and $U(1)$ symmetry extensions

- ▲ These appear naturally in $\mathcal{F} - THEORY$ constructions ▲

New Ingredients from F-theory

★ **Discrete** and $U(1)$ symmetries:

- necessary tools to suppress or eliminate undesired superpotential terms

★ **Fluxes** :

- ... truncate GUT irreps, eliminate **coloured Higgs** triplets, induce chirality...

★ “Internal” **Geometry** :

- ... determines SM arbitrary parameters from a handful of **topological properties**

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F-theory and Elliptic Fibration

★ F-theory ★

(Vafa 1996)



Geometrisation of Type II-B superstring

II-B: closed string spectrum obtained by combining left and right moving open strings with NS and R-boundary conditions:

$$(NS_+, NS_+), (R_-, R_-), (NS_+, R_-), (R_-, NS_+)$$

Bosonic spectrum:

(NS_+, NS_+) : graviton, dilaton and 2-form KB-field:

$$g_{\mu\nu}, \phi, B_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow B_2$$

(R_-, R_-) : scalar, 2- and 4-index fields (*p*-form potentials)

$$C_0, C_{\mu\nu}, C_{\kappa\lambda\mu\nu} \rightarrow C_p, p = 0, 2, 4$$

Definitions (*F*-theory bosonic part)

1. String coupling: $g_s = e^{-\phi}$
2. Combining the two scalars C_0, ϕ to one *modulus*:

$$\tau = C_0 + i e^\phi \rightarrow C_0 + \frac{i}{g_s}$$

IIB - action (see e.g. Denef, 0803:1194):

$$\begin{aligned} S_{IIB} \propto & \int d^{10}x \sqrt{-g} R - \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{(\text{Im}\tau)^2} d\tau \wedge *d\bar{\tau} \\ & + \frac{1}{\text{Im}\tau} G_3 \wedge *\bar{G}_3 + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{F}_5 \wedge *\tilde{F}_5 + C_4 \wedge H_3 \wedge F_3 \end{aligned}$$

Property:

Invariant under $SL(2, Z)$ S-duality:

$$\tau \rightarrow \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}$$

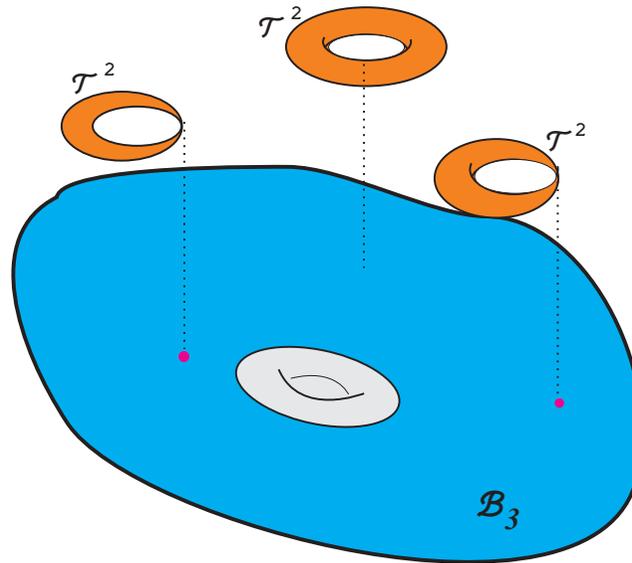
FIBRATION

F-theory $\mathcal{R}^{3,1} \times \mathcal{X}$

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{X}$, elliptically fibered **CY** 4-fold over $B_3 \Leftarrow$



▲ a torus $\tau = C_0 + i/g_s$ at each point of B_3 ▲



Elliptic Fibration

described by Weierstraß Equation

$$y^2 = x^3 + f(w)xz^4 + g(w)z^6$$

For each point of B_3 , the above equation describes a torus

1. x, y, z homogeneous coordinates
2. $f(w), g(w) \rightarrow 8^{th}$ and 12^{th} degree polynomials.
3. Discriminant

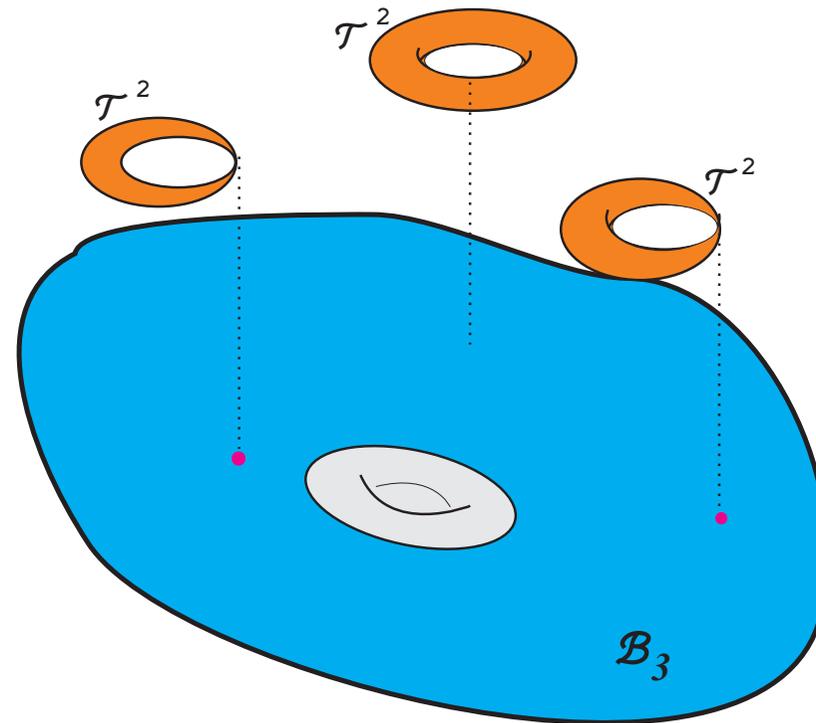
$$\Delta(w) = 4f^3 + 27g^2$$

Fiber singularities at

$$\Delta(w) = 0 \rightarrow 24 \text{ roots } w_i$$

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Manifold Singularities



CY 4-fold: Red points: pinched torus \Rightarrow 7-branes $\perp \mathcal{B}_3$

Kodaira classification:

- Type of Manifold **singularity** is specified by the vanishing order of $f(w)$, $g(w)$ and $\Delta(w)$
- **Singularities** are classified in terms of \mathcal{ADE} Lie groups (Kodaira).

Interpretation of geometric singularities



CY_4 -**Singularities** \Leftrightarrow **gauge symmetries**

$$\text{Groups} \rightarrow \begin{cases} SU(n) \\ SO(m) \\ \mathcal{E}_n \end{cases}$$

Tate's Algorithm

$$y^2 + \alpha_1 x y z + \alpha_3 y z^3 = x^3 + \alpha_2 x^2 z^2 + \alpha_4 x z^4 + \alpha_6 z^6$$

Table: Classification of Elliptic Singularities w.r.t. vanishing order of Tate's form coefficients α_i :

Group	α_1	α_2	α_3	α_4	α_6	Δ
$SU(2n)$	0	1	n	n	$2n$	$2n$
$SU(2n + 1)$	0	1	n	$n + 1$	$2n + 1$	$2n + 1$
$SU(5)$	0	1	2	3	5	5
$SO(10)$	1	1	2	3	5	7
\mathcal{E}_6	1	2	3	3	5	8
\mathcal{E}_7	1	2	3	3	5	9
\mathcal{E}_8	1	2	3	4	5	10

Basic ingredient in F-theory:

D7 - brane

GUTs are associated to 7-branes wrapping certain classes of 'internal' 2-complex dim. surface $\mathbf{S} \subset B_3$

▲ Gauge symmetry:

$$\mathcal{E}_8 \rightarrow \mathbf{G}_{\text{GUT}} \times \mathcal{C}$$

▲ $G_{\text{GUT}} = SU(5), SO(10), \dots$

★ \mathcal{C} Commutant ... \Rightarrow monodromies:

$U(1)^n$, or discrete symmetry S_n, A_n, D_n, Z_n

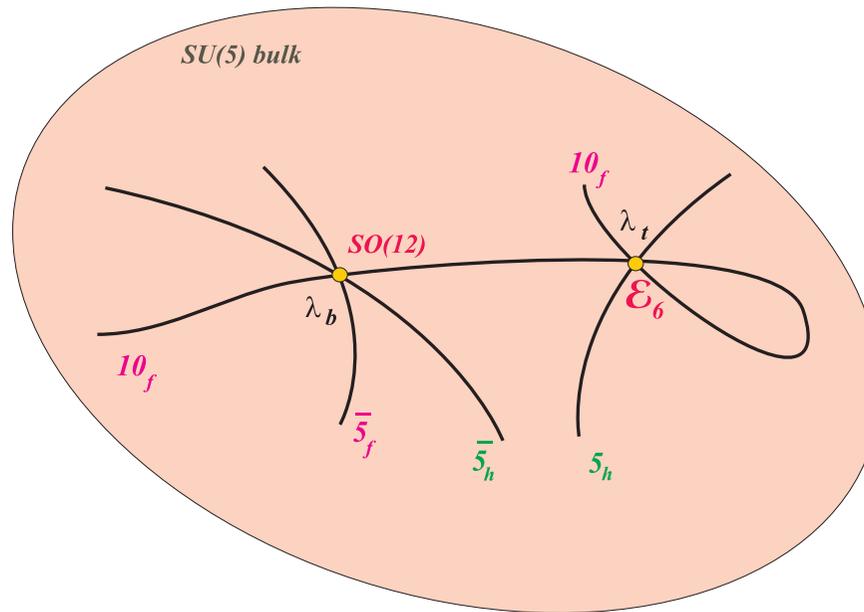
... acting as family or discrete symmetries

Model in this talk: $SU(5) : \mathcal{E}_8 \rightarrow SU(5) \times SU(5)_\perp \rightarrow \mathcal{C} = SU(5)_\perp$.

Spectral Cover \mathcal{C} described by

$$\mathcal{C} : \sum_k b_k s^{5-k} = 0, \quad b_1 = 0, \quad \text{roots} \rightarrow t_i$$

Matter resides in 10 and $\bar{5}$ along intersections with other 7-branes



$\lambda_{t,b}$ -Yukawas at **intersections** and **gauge symmetry enhancements**

(Heckman et al 0811.2417; Font et al 0907.4895; GG Ross, GKL, 1009.6000);

(Cecotti et al 0910.0477; Camara et al, 1110,2206; Aparicio et al, 1104.2609,...)

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Non-Abelian Discrete Symmetries

▲ **Application:** Spectral Cover splitting: $\mathcal{C}_5 \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_4 \times \mathcal{C}_1$

▲ **Motivation:** The neutrino sector (TB-mixing)

▲ $\mathcal{C}_4 \times \mathcal{C}_1$ implies the splitting of the \mathcal{C}_5 polynomial in two factors

$$\sum_k b_k s^{5-k} = \underbrace{(a_1 + a_2 s + a_3 s^2 + a_4 s^3 + a_5 s^4)}_{\mathcal{C}_4} \underbrace{(a_6 + a_7 s)}_{\mathcal{C}_1}$$

Topological properties of a_i are fixed in terms of those of b_k , by equating coefficients of same powers of s

$$b_0 = a_5 a_7, \quad b_5 = a_1 a_6, \quad \text{etc...}$$

Moreover:

▲ \mathcal{C}_1 : associated to a $U(1)$

▲ \mathcal{C}_4 : reduction to

(i) continuous $SU(4)$ subgroup, or

(ii) to Galois group $\in S_4$

(see Heckman et al, 0906.0581, Marsano et al, 09012.0272, I. Antoniadis and GKL 1308.1581)

Properties and Residual Spectral Cover Symmetry

▲ If $\mathcal{H} \in S_4$ the **Galois** group, final symmetry of the model is:

$$SU(5)_{GUT} \times \underbrace{\mathcal{H} \times U(1)}_{\text{family symmetry}}$$

▲ $\mathcal{H} \in S_4$ is linked to specific **topological** properties of the polynomial coefficients a_i .

▲ a_i coefficients determine useful properties of the model, such as

i) **Geometric** symmetries $\rightarrow \mathcal{R}$ -parity

ii) **Flux** restrictions on the **matter curves**

▲ **Fluxes** determine useful properties on the **matter curves** including :

Multiplicities and **Chirality** of matter/Higgs **representations**

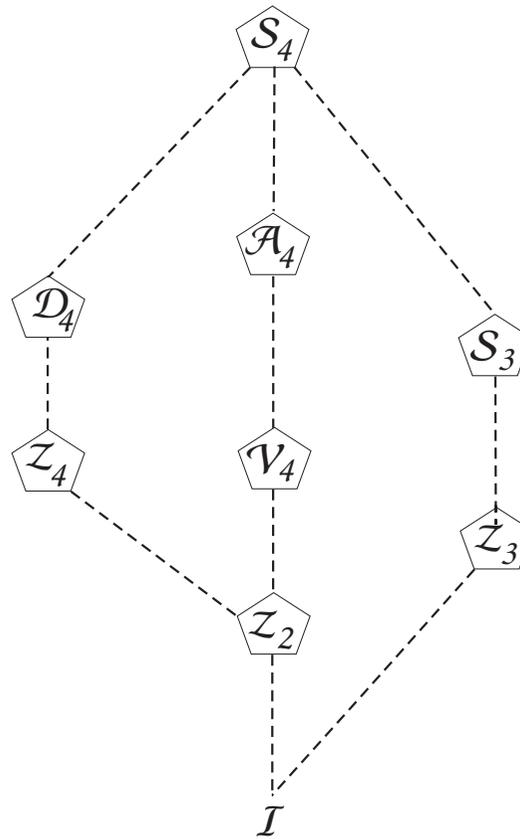


Figure 1: S_4 and the relevant discrete subgroups

The Galois group in \mathcal{C}_4

Determination of the **Galois** group, requires examination of (*partially symmetric*) functions of roots t_i of the polynomial \mathcal{C}_4 . For our purposes, it suffices to examine the **Discriminant** and the **Resolvent**

1.) The Discriminant Δ

$$\Delta = \delta^2 \quad \text{where} \quad \delta = \prod_{i < j} (t_i - t_j)$$

▲ δ is invariant under S_4 -**even** permutations $\Rightarrow \mathcal{A}_4$

▲ symmetric \rightarrow can be expressed in terms of coefficients $a_i \in \mathcal{F}$

$$\Delta(t_i) \rightarrow \Delta(a_i)$$

If $\Delta = \delta^2$, such that $\delta(a_i) \in \mathcal{F}$, then

$$\mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathcal{A}_4 \text{ or } V_4 \quad (= \textit{Klein group})$$

If $\Delta \neq \delta^2$, (i.e. $\delta(a_i) \notin \mathcal{F}$), then

$$\mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathcal{S}_4 \text{ or } \mathcal{D}_4$$

2.) To study possible reductions of S_4 , A_4 to their subgroups, we examine the *resolvent*:

$$f(x) = (x - x_1)(x - x_2)(x - x_3)$$

$$x_1 = t_1t_2 + t_3t_4, \quad x_2 = t_1t_3 + t_2t_4, \quad x_3 = t_2t_3 + t_1t_4$$

$x_{1,2,3}$ are invariant under the three *Dihedral groups* $D_4 \in S_4$.

Combined results of Δ and $f(x)$:

	$\Delta \neq \delta^2$	$\Delta = \delta^2$
$f(x)$ irreducible	S_4	A_4
$f(x)$ reducible	D_4, Z_4	V_4

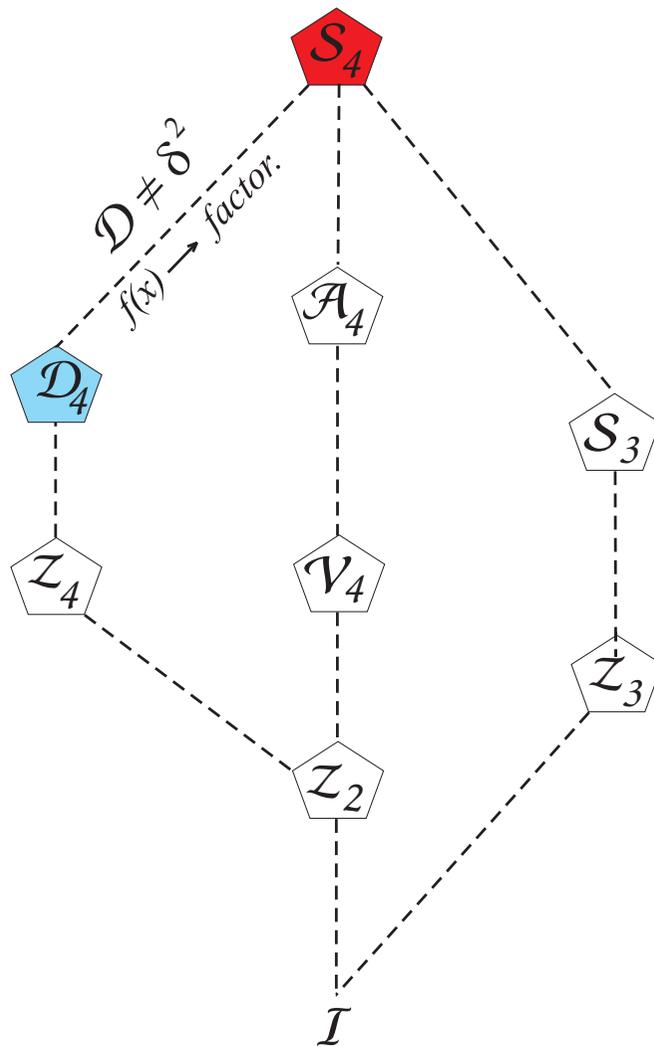


Figure 2: S_4 to D_4

The induced restrictions on the coefficients a_i

1. Tracelessness condition $b_1 = 0$ demands (*Dudas& Palti 1007.1297*)

$$a_4 = a_0 a_6, \quad a_5 = -a_0 a_7$$

2. For $S_4 \rightarrow D_4$, $\Delta \neq \delta^2$ (*arXiv:1308.1581*)

$$(a_2^2 a_5 - a_4^2 a_1)^2 \neq \left(\frac{16a_1 a_5 - a_2 a_4}{3} \right)^3$$

3. Reducibility of the function $f(x)$ is achieved if

$$f(0) = 4a_5 a_3 a_1 - a_1 a_4^2 - a_5 a_2^2 = 0$$

Matter Parity

Spectral Cover eq. $\sum_k b_k s^{5-k}$, invariant under (see Hayashi et. al., 0910.2762)

$$s \rightarrow -s, b_k \rightarrow (-1)^k e^{i\chi} b_k$$

For C_4 (see I. Antoniadis, GKL, 1205.6930)

$$b_k = \sum_{n+m=12-k} a_n a_m \rightarrow$$

$$a_n \rightarrow e^{i\psi} e^{i(3-n)} a_n$$

Defining Equs of matter curves are expressed in terms of a_n 's.



... a Geometric Z_2 symmetry assigned to Matter Curves

$SU(5)$	Def. Eqn.	Parity	Content	D_4	t_5
10_1	κ	—	$Q_L + u_L^c + e_L^c$	1_{+-}	0
10_2	a_2	+	$u_L^c + \bar{e}_L^c$	1_{++}	0
10_3	a_2	+	$u_L^c + \bar{e}_L^c$	1_{++}	1
10_4	μ	—	$2Q_L + 4e_L^c$	2	0
5_a	a_2	+	$2\bar{d}_L^c$	2	0
5_b	a_7	+	H_u	1_{++}	0
5_c	κa_7	—	$4d_L^c + 3L$	1_{+-}	0
5_d	a_2	+	H_d	1_{++}	—1
5_e	a_2	+	\bar{d}_L^c	1_{+-}	—1
5_f	a_7	+	$2d_L^c$	2	—1

Table 1: Full spectrum for $SU(5) \times D_4 \times U(1)_{t_5}$ model.

Low Energy Spectrum	D_4 rep	$U(1)_{t_5}$	Z_2
Q_3, u_3^c, e_3^c	1_{+-}	0	-
u_2^c	1_{++}	1	+
u_1^c	1_{++}	0	+
$Q_{1,2}, e_{1,2}^c$	2	0	-
L_i, d_i^c	1_{+-}	0	-
ν_3^c	1_{+-}	0	-
$\nu_{1,2}^c$	2	0	-
H_u	1_{++}	0	+
H_d	1_{++}	-1	+

Table 2: SM spectrum with $D_4 \times U(1)_{t_5} \times Z_2$ symmetry.
(Karozas et al 1505.00937)

\mathcal{D}_4

Phenomenology

Neutrino Sector

(Main *Motivation* for Non-Abelian Discrete Symmetries)

$$m_\nu = -m_D M_R^{-1} m_D^T$$

result...

$$m_\nu \propto \begin{pmatrix} 1 + (z_1 - 2y)gz_1 & (1 - gyz_1)x_2 + (z_1 - y)gz_2 & (1 - gyz_1)x_3 \\ (1 - gyz_1)x_2 + (z_1 - y)gz_2 & x_2^2 - 2gyz_2x_2 + gz_2^2 & (x_2 - gyz_2)x_3 \\ (1 - gyz_1)x_3 & (x_2 - gyz_2)x_3 & x_3^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

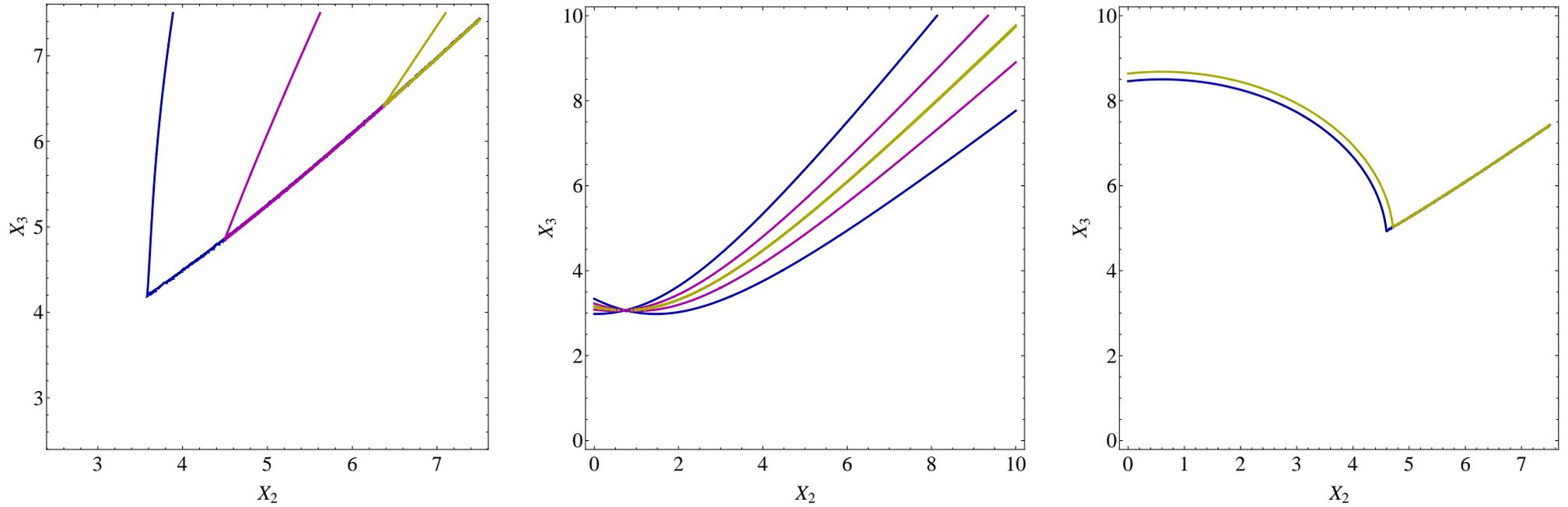


Figure 3: **Left:** $\sin^2 \theta_{12}$ (3σ) (blue-0.270, pink-0.304, yellow-0.344);
Middle: $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ (3σ) (blue-0.382, pink-0.452, yellow-0.5);
Right: $R = \Delta m_{23}^2 / \Delta m_{12}^2 = 31.34$ (blue) and $R = 34.16$ (yellow).

Baryon Number Violation

eliminated by flux

$$10_2 \rightarrow (\cancel{Q}, u^c, e^c) \rightarrow (-, u^c, e^c)$$

∃ parity violating term $10_2 \bar{5}_c \bar{5}_c \rightarrow \lambda_{dbu} u^c d^c d^c$ **only!** → **Neutron-antineutron oscillations**

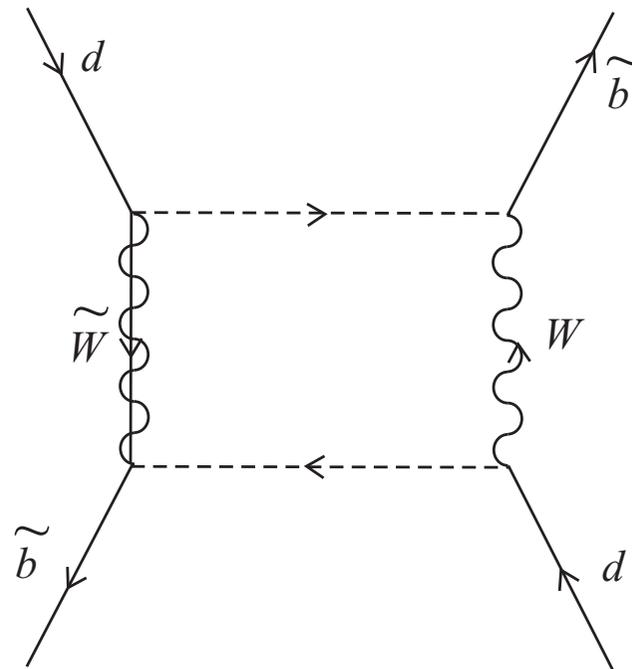


Figure 4: Feynman box graph for $n - \bar{n}$ oscillations (Goity&Sher PLB 346(1995)69)

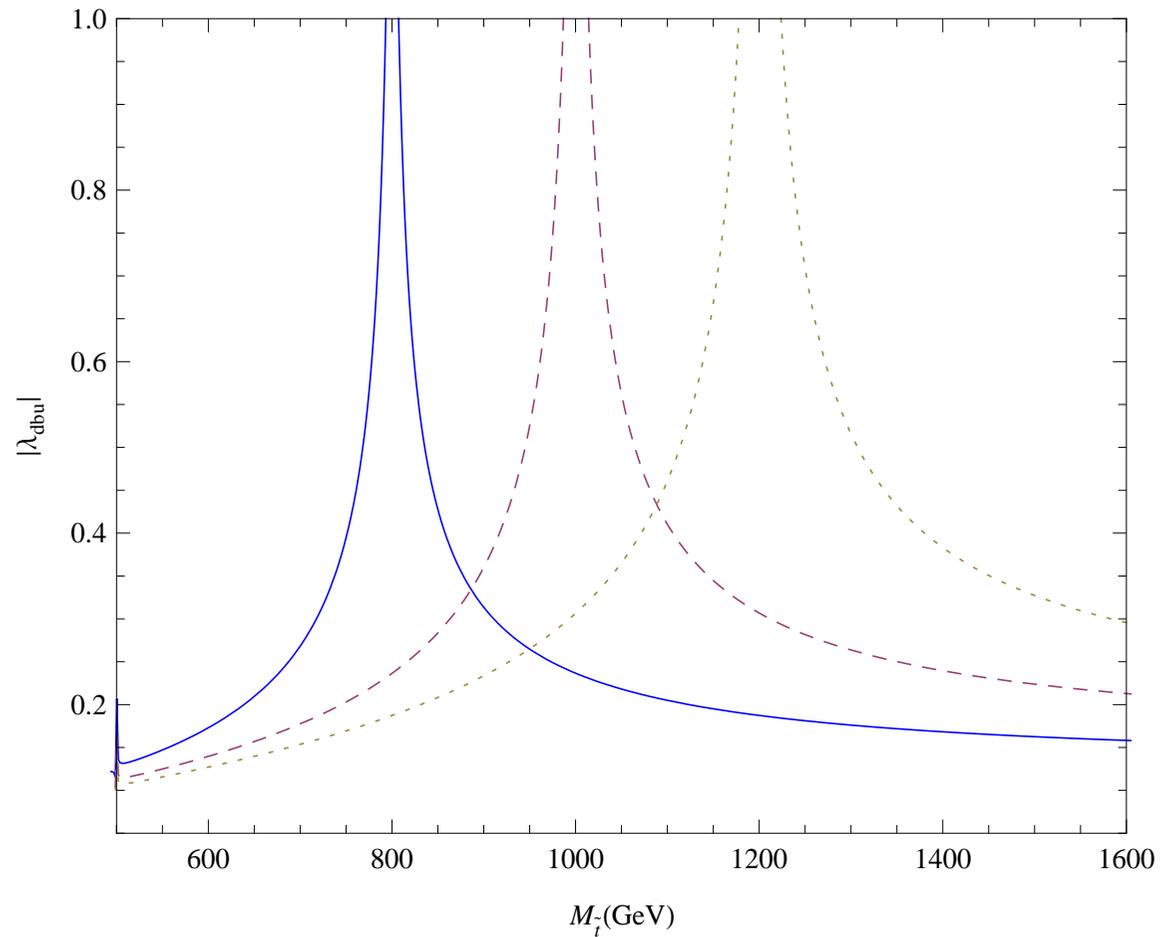


Figure 5: λ_{dbu} bounds for: **Blue**: $M_{\tilde{u}} = M_{\tilde{c}} = 0.8 TeV$, **Dashed**: $M_{\tilde{u}} = M_{\tilde{c}} = 1 TeV$, **Dotted**: $M_{\tilde{u}} = M_{\tilde{c}} = 1.2 TeV$. ($M_{\tilde{b}_L} = M_{\tilde{b}_R} = 500 GeV$, $\tau = 10^8 sec.$).

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Mordell-Weil $U(1)$ and GUT s

★ A new class of *Abelian* Symmetries associated to *Rational Sections* of elliptic curves

Mordell-Weil group ... finitely generated:

$$\underbrace{\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}}_r \oplus \mathcal{G}$$

Abelian group: Rank - r (*unknown*)

Torsion part: $\mathcal{G} \rightarrow :$

$$\mathcal{G} = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}_n & n = 1, 2, \dots, 10, 12 \\ \mathbb{Z}_k \times \mathbb{Z}_2 & k = 2, 4, 6, 8 \end{cases}$$

→ ... models with new $U(1)$'s and *Discrete* Symmetries from *Mordell-Weil*

(Cvetic et al 1210.6094, 1307.6425; Mayhofer et al, 1211.6742; Borchmann et al 1307.2902; Krippendorf et al, 1401.7844)

Simplest (*and perhaps most viable*) Case: *Rank-1 Mordell-Weil*

Sections required: $[u : v : w] = [1 : 1 : 2] \rightarrow$

$\mathbb{P}_{(1,1,2)}$ -weighted projective space

... *described by the equation: (see Morrison & Park 1208.2695)*

$$w^2 + a_2 v^2 w = u(b_0 u^3 + b_1 u^2 v + b_2 u v^2 + b_3 v^3)$$

Weierstrass model obtained
Birational Map

$$v = \frac{a_2 y}{b_3^2 u^2 - a_2^2 (b_2 u^2 + x)} \quad (1)$$

$$w = \frac{b_3 u y}{b_3^2 u^2 - a_2^2 (b_2 u^2 + x)} - \frac{x}{a_2} \quad (2)$$

$$u = z \quad (3)$$

These lead to the Weierstraß equation in Tate's form

$$y^2 + 2\frac{b_3}{a_2}xyz \pm b_1a_2yz^3 = x^3 \pm \left(b_2 - \frac{b_3^2}{a_2^2}\right)x^2z^2 - b_0a_2^2xz^4 - b_0a_2^2\left(b_2 - \frac{b_3^2}{a_2^2}\right)z^6$$

but now Tate's coefficients are not all independent !

$$y^2 + 2\frac{b_3}{a_2}xyz \pm b_1a_2yz^3 = x^3 \pm \left(b_2 - \frac{b_3^2}{a_2^2}\right)x^2z^2 - b_0a_2^2xz^4 - b_0a_2^2\left(b_2 - \frac{b_3^2}{a_2^2}\right)z^6$$

... comparing with **standard** general Tate's form:

$$y^2 + \alpha_1xyz + \alpha_3yz^3 = x^3 + \alpha_2x^2z^2 - \alpha_4xz^4 - \alpha_6z^6$$

Observation:

$$\boxed{\alpha_6 = \alpha_2\alpha_4}$$

Implications on the non-abelian structure

Assume local expansion of Tate's coefficients

$$\alpha_k = a_{k,0} + \alpha_{k,1}\xi + \cdots$$

Vanishing orders for $SU(2n)$:

$$\alpha_2 = a_{2,1}\xi + \cdots$$

$$\alpha_4 = \alpha_{4,n}\xi^n + \cdots$$

$$\alpha_6 = \alpha_{6,2n}\xi^{2n} + \cdots$$

$$\alpha_6 = \alpha_2\alpha_4 \rightarrow \alpha_{2,1}\alpha_{4,n}\xi^{n+1} = \alpha_{6,2n}\xi^{2n} \Rightarrow n = 1$$

...from $SU(n)$ series, compatible are Only:

$SU(2)$, and $SU(3)$

... extending the analysis to exceptional groups...

Viabie non-Abelian GUTs with $U(1)_{MW}$

and the vanishing order of the coefficients $a_2 \sim a_{2,m} \xi^m$, $b_k \sim b_{k,n} \xi^n$

Group	a_2	b_0	b_1	b_2	b_3
\mathcal{E}_6	1	1	1	2	2
	0	3	1	2	1
\mathcal{E}_7	1	1	2	2	2
	0	3	3	2	1

This simple property ... perhaps suggestive for a model

$$\mathcal{E}_6 \times U(1)_{MW}$$

Remarks

Spectral Cover:

- Analysis of model with gauge symmetry

$$SU(5) \times \mathcal{D}_4 \times U(1)$$

- Non-abelian discrete symmetries naturally incorporated
- $n - \bar{n}$ oscillations, suppressed proton decay

Mordell-Weil:

- ... gauge symmetries with one abelian Mordell-Weil:

$$\mathcal{E}_6 \times U(1)_{MW}, \mathcal{E}_7 \times U(1)_{MW}$$

- ... extra $U(1)_{MW}$ might have interesting implications to Model building ...
- **Torsion** group: possible explanation of discrete symmetries...

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