

~~Concept~~

Breaks  $E_8$  is subtle -

$\sim -9, -10, -11$  curve in  $6D$ ,  $E_8$  w/ codim 2  $(4,6)$  strings  
→ strongly coupled / SCFT matter.

Some progress:  $\forall$  Wang + Tian.

Seems  $E_8 \rightarrow E_7 \rightarrow G_{SM}$  may work & be most "natural" SM realization.

Big issue: What is F-theory?

String theory: has world-sheet quantization.  
in principle, SFT  $\Rightarrow$  complete bg-independent formulation,  
can compute low-E EFT corrections in pert expansion

M-theory: M (matrix) model (BFSS, dFN)  $\sim$  quantum thg in light-cone

But F-theory has no real definiti- as complete theory.

Some understandings from

- Holomorphy / alg geometry  $\Rightarrow$  strong global picture
- Limit of M-theory give some MG - but singular ECY don't have formulation of theory on singular space
- IIB sugra,  $S_{\text{eff}}$  ( $\sim$  orbifold) limit
- Heterotic duality when  $B$  is  $\mathbb{P}^1$  fibred
- String junctions
- Special cases: const  $\tau$

But we need more: IDEAS?

### Approaches to realizing the Standard Model

	GUT	$SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1) / \mathbb{Z}_6$
Tuned G	Tuned GUT, eq. SU(5)	Tuned Gsm
Rigid G	rigid GUT	rigid Gsm

- Tuned SU(5): much work [BHV, DW] [Kleiss et al.]
- Tuned Gsm: can tune directly - "F" fiber, direct construction [Rohrlich/ruus] "quadrillion sm" [Cvetic et al.]

But: tuned models are rare; involve fine tuning, many bases will not support

- $SU(3) \times SU(2)$  can be rigid/geometrically non-Higgsable in 4D  
 $U(1)$  factor difficult to integrate [Y Wang paper]

Most natural approach: rigid GUT!

New ingredient in 4D: fluxes

- from  $G_{EKKL}$  in M-theory  $G = dC$
- $G \Rightarrow$  can break gauge gp.
- $G \Rightarrow$  can induce chiral matter
- $G \Rightarrow$  superpotential  $W = \int \Omega_4 \wedge G_4$  [GVW]

Recent work w/ SY(Kobayashi) Li:

Break  $E_7, E_6 \rightarrow G_{sm}$  w/ fluxes...

- some nice phenomenological properties (dim 4,5 proton decays suppressed by residual  $E_7$  symmetry)
- Requires non-toric base.

### 5. 4D $\mathcal{N} = 1$ SUGRA

Many string constructions - huge literature!

Biggest issue: Moduli space lifted by potential/superpotential

IIA, IIB / CY3 + fluxes    het / CY3    M / G2    F-theory /  $B_3$  base for EY4.

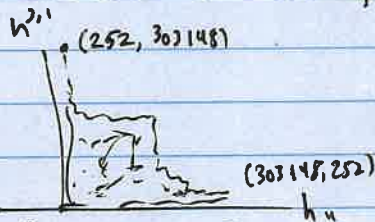
Focus on F-theory. [Timo Weigand l. notes for more details]

{ $B_3$ , EY4's} vast, much less understood

- Minimal model (Mori theory) program much more complicated, no simple analogue of just  $\mathbb{P}^2$ ,  $\mathbb{F}_m$

- Toric bases:  $\sim 10^{750}$  explicit [Halm/Wang/Sun]  
 $\sim 10^{3000}$  by more Carlo [w/ Y. Wang]

- Similar big picture(?)



- $B_{\text{marked}} \rightarrow \sim 10^{273,000}$  flux vacua [w/ Y. Wang]
- $B_{\text{max } h^{1,1}} \rightarrow \sim 10^{46,000}$  flop phases.

- Ignoring flop phases,  $\sim 10^{90}$  diff polytopes [w/ Y. Wang + Y. He] (preliminary, but includes some codim 2 (4,6) loci)

? What is the right ensemble?

? What is the measure?

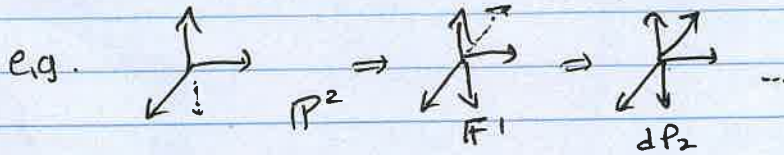
Unclear, but for any of these,

- many  $B_3$  X4
- almost all have  $E_8, F_4, G_2 \times SU(2)$  + some other rigid gcs

Thm (Grass/Gross)

All  $B_2$  supporting EYZ's are blowups of  $\mathbb{P}^2$ ,  $\mathbb{F}_n$ .

blow up torically: add ray  $\Gamma' = \Gamma_i + \Gamma_{i+1}$



$\Rightarrow$  all toric  $B_2$ 's ( $\sim 65k$  [MT])  $\max h_{11}(B) = 193$

Similarly, can get non-toric (Wang <sup>w/q.</sup> done  $\rightarrow h^{2,1} =$ )

$\Rightarrow$  Gives many 6D F-theory models (+ tuning)

EYZ's.

KS database: Start w/ toric 3D <sup>reflexive</sup> polytope (no int pts, (polydral lattice poly w/o int pts) convex hull of rays ignore  $\Delta$ )

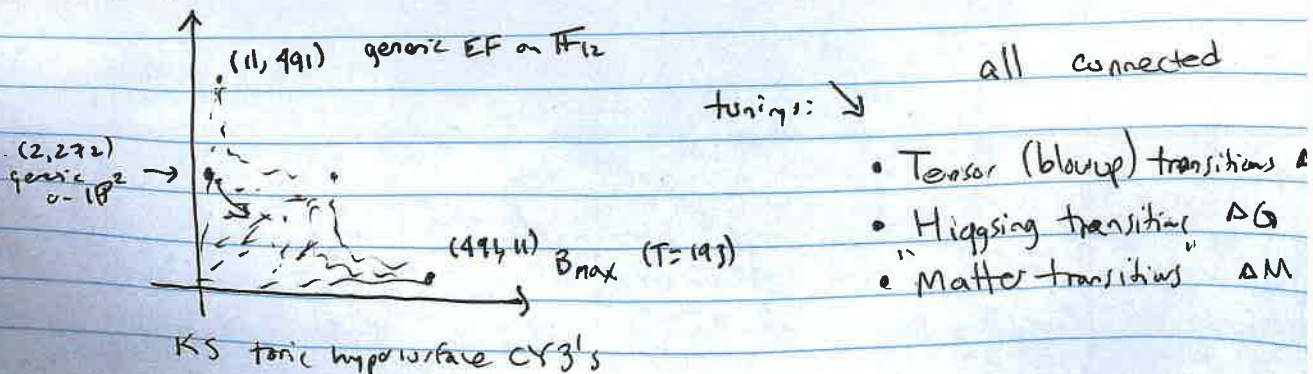
construct  $-K$  hypersurface ( $-K = \sum$  rays again)

$\rightarrow 4$  M construction.

All but  $\sim 2,000$  have "obvious" elliptic fiber (2D subpoly)

$\Rightarrow$  vast range of constructions.

Big picture of 6D SUGRA landscape



Discrete Gr, e.g.  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ , from  $U(1)$  w  $q=1, 2$   
 ↑ Higgs w  $q=2$ .

Captured in Tate-Shafarevich / Weil-Chatelet gp  
 - related to  $g=1$  fibers (no sectors) [Seng/Mar...]

4.5 Classification of 6D SUGRA + EY3's.

Can we classify ("make a list of") 6D SUGRA?

- A) F-theory: i) choose  $B_2$   
 ii) look @ toric Gr, GA, Ger...

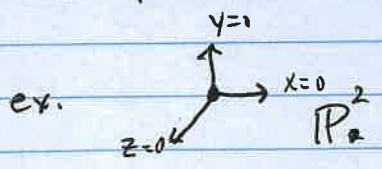
- B) Look @ CY3's.  
 - CICY's  
 - Kreuzer-Skarke database (~400M constructors)

Useful tool: toric geometry.  
 Combinatorial alg. geometry.

Rays in  $\mathbb{Z}^n \leftrightarrow$  divisors  $\sim X_n$  (not CY)

see e.g. [Fulton]

Simple case: smooth 2D cpt toric vars.



rays  $\Gamma_i, \bar{\Gamma}_i, \Gamma_{i+1}$  span unit cell  
 $(\det \frac{\Gamma_i}{\Gamma_{i+1}} = \pm 1)$

$D_i \cdot D_{i+1} = 1$

$D_i \cdot D_j = 0$ , non-adjacent.

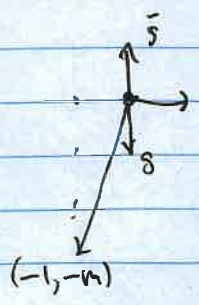
$\sum \Gamma_i \cdot D_i = \sum \bar{\Gamma}_i \cdot D_i = 0$  (SP ident)

~~$\sum D_i \cdot D_{i+1} + D_i \cdot D_{i-1} = 0, D_i \cdot D_i = m$~~

$-m D_i + D_{i+1} + D_{i-1} = 0, D_i \cdot D_i = m$

$-K = \sum D_i$

$F_m$



$-K = S + \bar{S} + F + F$

$\hat{S} = S + mF \Rightarrow -K = 2S + (2+m)F$

Duality w/ heterotic  $\leftrightarrow$   $\mathbb{F}_m$  F-theory

het / K3, K3 elliptic  $\begin{matrix} \circ \circ \\ \circ \end{matrix} \leftrightarrow \begin{matrix} \circ \circ \circ \circ \\ \circ \end{matrix}$   
 fibering 8D duality.

het bundle: need instantons,  $\eta_+ + \eta_- = 24$

Duality:  $\eta_{\pm} = 12 \pm m$

eg.  $m = -12$ ,  $\eta_+ = 0 \Rightarrow E_8$  unbroken, matches nh. Es.  
 [more: <sup>MU</sup> FMW etc.]

4.4 general structure: map 6D  $\leftrightarrow$  geometry

$$T = H_{1,1}(B) - 1$$

$$H_{\text{non}} = H_{2,1}(X) + 1$$

$$a = K$$

$$D_i = D_i \text{ divisor support } G_i$$

6D SUGRA  $\leftrightarrow$  Elliptic CY3's.

Close match but still some "swampland" disagreement.

More subtle features:

$U(1)$  factors:  $\begin{matrix} \text{rk} \\ \text{(Mordell-Weil gp)} \end{matrix} \rightarrow$  rational sections.  
 nonlocal, difficult to extract.

Shioda-Tate-Wazir:  $H_{1,1}(X) = \underbrace{H_{1,1}(B)}_{\text{base}} + 1 + \underbrace{\text{rk}(G_i)}_{\text{fib}} + \underbrace{\text{inc } G_i}_{\uparrow}$

$U(1)$  matter subtle:

$\exists$   $\infty$  families w/ anomaly cancellation [TT]  
 problematic [RTT, CT]

general  $U(1)$  torsion, Mori-Park  
 $U(1)^2$  CKT

some  $U(1)^3$   
 beyond harder

Ex. B = Hirzebruch  $F_m$

$F_m$ :  $\mathbb{P}^1$  bundle over  $\mathbb{P}^1$  ○○○  
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Cpt of  $\mathcal{L}$  with  $[(f)] = m$

$h_{1,1}(F_m) = 2$ . basis  $\mathcal{S}$  (section),  $F$  = fiber  
 $\Rightarrow \boxed{T=1}$

Intersection form:  $S \cdot S = -m$ ,  $F \cdot F = 0$ ,  $S \cdot F = 1$   
(other section:  $\tilde{S} = S + mF$ :  $\tilde{S} \cdot \tilde{S} = m$ )

$$-K_{F_m} = 2S + (2+m)F \quad (\text{compute later})$$

$F_0 = \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$ :  $f_{\mathbb{P}^1, \mathbb{P}^1}$ ,  $g_{12,12}$  in  $u, v$

$$a = K \text{ again, } a^2 = K^2 = (2S + 2F)^2 = 8 = 9 - T$$

Interesting case:  $m \geq 3$

$F_3$ :  $-K \cdot S = (2S + 5F) \cdot S = -1$ !  $\Rightarrow$  section of  $-nK$  vanishes on  $S$ .

$$-4K \cdot S = -4 \Rightarrow -4K = 2S + X$$

$$-6K \cdot S = -6 \Rightarrow -6K = 2S + \checkmark \text{ effective}$$

$\Rightarrow f, g$  vanish to ord 2, 2 on  $S$ .  $\Rightarrow$  SU(3) forced rigid / non-Higgsable gauge group.

No matter!  $\tilde{g} \in -6K - 2S = 12S + 30F - 2S = 10(S + 3F) = 10\tilde{S}$   
 $\tilde{g} \cdot S = 0$

generally  $-3$  curve  $\rightarrow$  NM SU(3)

$-4 \rightarrow$  SO(8)

$-5 \rightarrow F_4$  (monodromy)

$-6 \rightarrow E_6$

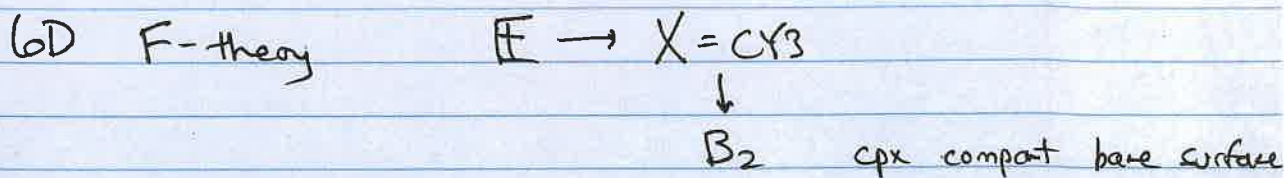
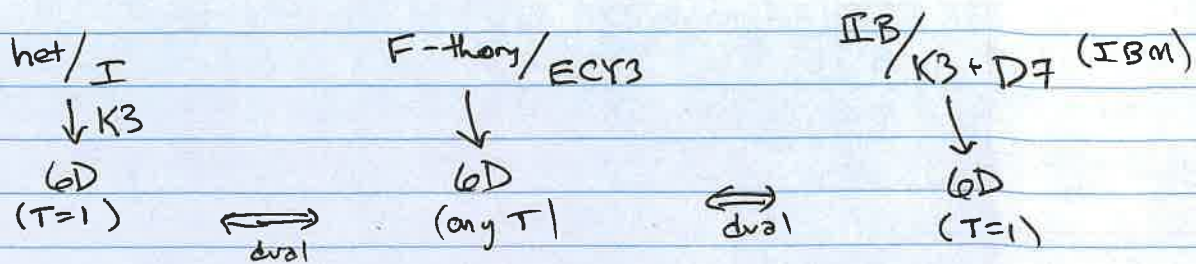
$-7 \rightarrow E_7 + \frac{1}{2} E_8$

$-8 \rightarrow E_8$

$-9, -12 \rightarrow E_8$

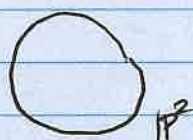
$-13 \rightarrow$  bad codim 1 sing.

### 4.2 Realizations through string theory



### 4.3 Examples of 6D F-theory

•  $B = \mathbb{P}^2$



similar to  $\mathbb{P}^2$

$-K(\mathbb{P}^2) = 3H$

Generic model:  $f_{12} \in \mathcal{O}(-4K)$ ,  $g_{18} \in \mathcal{O}(-6K)$

generically, no forced  $G_4$

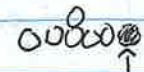
$T = 0$  (IIB:  $\mathbb{P}^2$  wrapped on  $H_{1,1}$  cycle  $\rightarrow B^\pm$   
 $\Rightarrow T = h_{1,1}(\mathbb{P}^2) - 1$ )

$V = 0$

$\Rightarrow H - V = 273 - 29T \Rightarrow H = 273$  (272 parameters of  $f, g$   
 $\rightarrow$  CS moduli,  
 1 universal  $u$  axiodal)

Can tune  $G_{4A}$ ,  $\Rightarrow$  matter

e.g.  $E_6$  on  $H$ :  $f = u^3 \tilde{f}_9$ ,  $g = u^4 \tilde{g}_{14}$ ,  $\Delta = u^8 (\tilde{g}_{14}^2 + 4u \tilde{f}_9)$

Note:  $\tilde{g}_{14}(u, v)$  variables @ 14 pts on  $u=0$ .  Kac-Vafa  $\bullet$  forms under  $\underline{27}$   
 $\uparrow$  adds node

$\Rightarrow 14 \times (\frac{1}{2} \underline{27})$  (fund) rep check eg.  $a \cdot b = \frac{1}{6} \lambda (A_{adj} - \chi_{12} A_R)$   
 $a = K = -3, b = 1 \Rightarrow -3 = (4 - 7 \cdot 1) \checkmark$



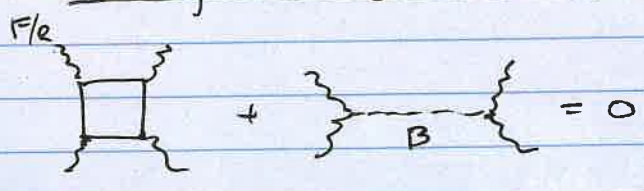
4. 6D  $N=(1,0)$  SUGRA

4.1 SUGRA multiplets

SUGRA	$(g, B_{\mu\nu}^+, \psi_\mu^-)$
tensor (T)	$(B_{\mu\nu}^-, \phi, \chi^+)$
vector (V)	$(A_\mu, \lambda^-)$
hypos (H)	$(4\psi, \psi^+)$

(gauge gp  $G = G^{NA} \times G^+ / \Gamma$ )  
(matter in rep R of G)

Strong anomaly constraints (like 10D,  $6 = 2R + 4k$ )



only NA,  
 $\tau \sim b^{ij}$  for abelian

$$\mathcal{L} \supset a_\alpha B^\alpha R \wedge R + b_\alpha^i B^\alpha \wedge F_i \wedge F_i$$

$$R^4: H - V = 273 - 29T$$

$$(R^3)^2: a \cdot a = 9 - T$$

+ constraints on matter reps via gp thm.

[Sagnotti;  
KMT

$$F^4 \quad 0 = B_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^i - \sum_R \sum_{\uparrow} X_R^i B_R^i$$

# reps in rep R of G<sub>i</sub>

$$F^2 R^2 \quad a \cdot b_i = \frac{1}{6} \lambda^i (A_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^i - \sum_R X_R^i A_R^i)$$

$$(F^2)^2 \quad b_i \cdot b_i = \frac{1}{3} \lambda^i (\sum_R X_R^i C_R - C_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^i)$$

$$F_i^2 F_j^2 \quad b_i \cdot b_j = 2 \sum_{R,S} X_{R,S}^i A_R^i A_S^j \quad i \neq j$$

$$\text{Tr}_R F^4 = B_R \text{tr} F^4 + C_R (\text{tr} F^2)^2$$

$$\text{Tr}_R F^2 = A_R \text{tr} F^2$$

$$\lambda_{\text{SU}(N)} = 1, \lambda_{E_8} = 60, \dots$$

$$T < 9 \Rightarrow \exists \text{ finite } \{T, V, H\} \quad [\text{KMT}]$$

general T: finite  $\forall$  some assumptions [Kim, Vafa, '24]  
 $X_0$

## 3.7 7D SUGRA

$$\text{7D SUGRA: } \text{het} / T^{4,3} \rightarrow M_{19,3} = \frac{\text{so}(19,3)}{\text{so}(19) \times \text{so}(3)}$$

-or-

 $M / K3$  geometric reduction

$$M = M_{K3} \text{ characterized by } \begin{cases} \sqrt{G} = x + iy & \text{gpx str.} \\ J = z & \text{Kähler form} \end{cases}$$

$$(x, y, z) \in H_2(3, 19), \quad x^2, y^2, z^2 > 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow M: \text{choice of 3-plane in } \mathbb{R}^{19,3} \Rightarrow M_{19,3} !$$

Witten '95: conjectured theories =, much evidence.

## 3.8 elliptic K3. &amp; F-theory.

$$M_7 \rightarrow F_8: \text{take K3 elliptic, sectn } \mathbb{P}^{2,3,1} \text{ bdd on } \mathbb{P}^1$$

(w. model)

$$T^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{O} \Rightarrow M \rightarrow \text{IIA}$$

$$R_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{O} \Rightarrow \text{IIA} \rightarrow \text{IIB (T-duality)}$$

$$\text{w. model } f \in \mathcal{O}(-4K), \quad g \in \mathcal{O}(-6K) \Rightarrow D \in \mathcal{O}(-12K)$$

(Kodaira condition)  
 $\Rightarrow$  CY total space

fiber  $T^2$  picks out (1,1) divisors in  $\Gamma^{3,19}$

$$\Rightarrow M_{\text{ell 10}} = \frac{\text{so}(2,18)}{\text{so}(2) \times \text{so}(18)}$$

matching duality.

Complementary approaches to F-theory: IIB vs M-theory limit

### 3.6 K3

Only CY2 (cplx dim 2, SU(2) holonomy; admits  $R_{\mu\nu} = 0$  metric, SUSY Kähler mfd. (comp. cplx str & metric))


$$\pi_1(K3) = 0 \quad (\text{all loops top trivial})$$

$$H_2(K3) = \Gamma^{3,19} = U \oplus U \oplus U \oplus (-E_3) \oplus (-E_8)$$

2d cplx SCK3, (∂S=0, ∂≠∂V) (9d)

ex. orbifold  $T^2/\mathbb{Z}_2$    $(z_1, z_2) \rightarrow (-z_1, -z_2)$

ex. quartic in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ :


[some alg. geometry: holomorphic line bundle  copy of  $\mathbb{C}$  @ each  $x \in M$   
sections  $\sim \psi(x)$  charged part. w/ possibly globally non-trivial  
e.g. mag monopole in  $S^2$

line bundle  $\leftrightarrow$  divisor (codim 1 vanishing locus of  $\mathcal{L}$ )  $\bigcirc$   $\int F = 2\pi$   
[alg. subvariety dim  $d-1$ ]

$$\wedge^n T_x^* \Rightarrow \text{line bundle, section } f dz^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dz^n$$

(f) divisor

Canonical class  $K_x = [(f)]$

Ex.  $K_{\mathbb{P}^n} = -(n+1)H$   hyperplane  $Z_{n+1} = 0$

$$K_{CY} = 0 \quad \text{defining characteristic of CY.}$$

Adjunction:  $X$  smooth variety,  $S \subset X$  a smooth divisor

$$K_S = (K_X + S)|_S$$

so for  $K_S = 0$ , want  $S = -K_X!$

so if  $S = 4H$  in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ ,  $X = \text{CY2} = K3$ .

$I_n$ :  $n$  D7-branes  $\Rightarrow$   $SU(N)$  gauge gp.

F-theory hypothesis [Morris/Vafa]: each Kodaira type  $\Rightarrow$  corresponds  $G_j$ !

Can "tune" various gauge groups  $G_j = \Lambda_G \in \Gamma^{18,2}$

e.g.  $E_8 \times E_8$ :  $f = Au^4(u-1)^4$  (deg 8)  
 $(u=0) (u=1)$   $g = u^5(u-1)^5(B+Cu+Du^2)$  (deg 12)

4-fermion model  $E_6 \times E_6 \times E_6$ :  $g = u^4(u-1)^4(u-2)^4$

More subtle: tuning  $SU(N), SO(8+2n)$

$I_n: [\Delta] = n$

Can solve order by order  $f = -3a + ()u + \dots$   
 $[MT] \quad g = 2a + ()u + \dots$

Or Tate form [Borshchukov et al]

	$y^2 + a_1 yx + a_3 y + x^3 + a_2 x^2 + a_4 x + a_6$	$\Delta$
deg	2      6      4      8      12	24
$I_n$	0 $\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor$ 1 $\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor$ $n$	$n$

### 3.5 geometric compactifications.

Assume  $M_{10} = \mathbb{R}^{1, D-k-1} \times X_k$ ,  $D=11$  or  $10$

only metric  $g_{ij}(\phi)$  nontrivial, SUSY preserved  
 $\Rightarrow \exists$  susy xform w/  $\delta\phi_\mu = D_\mu \eta = 0$  covariantly constant spinor  
 $=$  holonomy special, leaves cpt unchanged

(real) dim	mfd	holonomy	SUSY
$k$	$T^k$	$\{1\}$	1
4	$K3(CY2)$	$SU(2)$	1/2
6	$CY3$	$SU(3)$	1/4
7	$G_2$	$G_2$	1/8
8	$Sp(2)$ $CY4$ $Spin(7)$	hyper Kähler $SU(4)$ $Spin(7)$	3/16 1/8 1/16

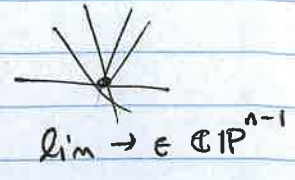
} focus on these

### 3.4 Nonabelian Gs in F-theory

Beautiful work of Kodaira: classify codim 1 singularities of elliptic fibrations.  $\leftrightarrow$  ADE Dynkin diagrams (affine)

Singularity resolution:

blowing up a point in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ :  
 replace w/  $\mathbb{C}P^{n-1}$   
 $p \rightarrow \{ \text{lines through } p \}$

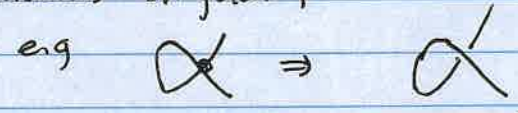


Ex  $p \in \mathbb{C}^2$

$$\begin{array}{c} B \\ \downarrow \pi \quad \pi^{-1}(p \neq 0) = p \\ \mathbb{C}^2 = \{x, y\} \quad \pi^{-1}(p=0) \cong \mathbb{C}P^1 \end{array}$$

can describe in patches etc.

but smooth singularity



Kodaira classification [e.g. Barth, Mukai, Peters, Vojta]

if  $X \rightarrow D = \text{disc in } \mathbb{C}$  elliptic fibration,  $\pi^{-1}(u)$  smooth except @  $u=0$

Classification of singular fibers  $\rightarrow$  Affine Dynkin diagrams

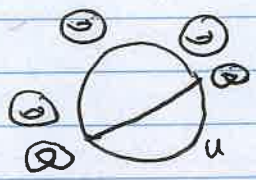
ord f	ord g	ord $\Delta$	type	ADE $\mathbb{C}$	Figure
0	0	0	nonsing	-	-
0	0	1	$I_1$	total space smooth	$\infty$
0	0	n	$I_n$	$\hat{A}_{n-1}$	(  )
1	1	2	$II$	total space smooth	
1	2	3	$III$	$\hat{A}_1$	
2	2	4	$IV$	$\hat{A}_2$	
2	3	6	$I_0^*$	$\hat{D}_4$	
2	3	6+n	$I_n^*$	$\hat{D}_{4+n}$	
3	4	8	$IV^*$	$\hat{E}_6$	
3	5	9	$III^*$	$\hat{E}_7$	
4	5	10	$II^*$	$\hat{E}_8$	
4	6	12	non resolution	-	-

Standard Weierstrass form in  $\mathbb{P}^{3,3,1}$   $\{y^2 = x^3 + f(x)z^2 + g(z^4)\} \Rightarrow C$

Can write addition law in  $C$   $f, g \rightarrow j(\tau) = 1728 \cdot \frac{4f^3}{\Delta} \rightarrow \tau$

Now fib over  $\mathbb{P}^1$

$$y^2 = x^3 + f(u)x + g(u)$$



Discriminant:  $\Delta = 4f^3 + 27g^2$  vanishes @ singular points.  
[ $C = 2xC = 2yC = 0$ ]

$$C = -y^2 + x^3 + fx + g$$
$$\partial_y C = -2y$$
$$\partial_x C = 3x^2 + f$$

$$y=0 \Rightarrow x^3 + fx + g = 3x^2 + f = 0$$
$$\hookrightarrow x^3 + fx/3 = 0$$
$$\Rightarrow 2/3fx + g = 0 \Rightarrow x = -3g/2f \Rightarrow -\frac{27g^3}{8f^3} - \frac{g}{2} = 0$$
$$\Rightarrow \Delta = 0!$$

8D F-theory

Singular pts  $\sim$  7-branes (carry  $\pi/6$  defect)  
 $\Rightarrow f_8(u), g_{12}(u) \Rightarrow$  cpt  $S^2$   
(elliptic)

$$\pi: K3 \rightarrow B = \mathbb{P}^1$$

Total space: K3 surface (2D Calabi-Yau)  $\pi^*(x) = E$   
[more later]

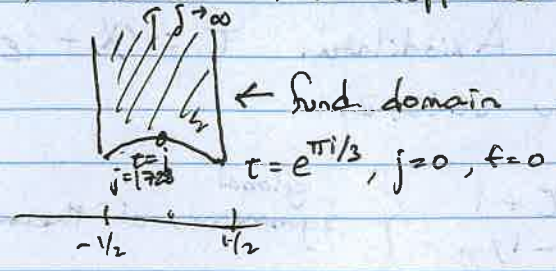
Generically, 24 separate singular points.

$$G = U(1)^{20}$$

(subtle:  $U(1)$  on branes gauged away,  
20  $U(1)$  in  $B_{\text{irr}}$  [DPS])

What happens when singularities come together?

$j(\tau)$  defined on  $H$  (upper half-plane),  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  invariant



can invert:  $j(\tau) = \frac{1728}{4\alpha(1-\alpha)}$

$$\Rightarrow \tau = i \frac{{}_2F_1\left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{\sqrt{5}}{6}, 1; 1-\alpha\right)}{{}_2F_1\left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{\sqrt{5}}{6}, 1; \alpha\right)} \quad (\tau, -1/\tau)$$


### 3.3 F-theory in 8D.

Consider IIB. Axiodilaton  $\tau = \chi + i e^{-\phi}$   
 xforms under  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} T: \tau &\rightarrow \tau + 1 \\ S: \tau &\rightarrow -1/\tau \end{aligned} \right\} \text{global symmetries of theory.}$$

10D: 7-branes: charged objects w/  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  monodromy of  $\tau$ .  
 IIB

D7-brane:   $\tau \rightarrow \tau + 1$

↳ dynamical quantum object  open strings end on D7  
 → dynamics (SYM on w-volume)  
 $N$  D7's  $\Rightarrow U(N)$  gauge theory

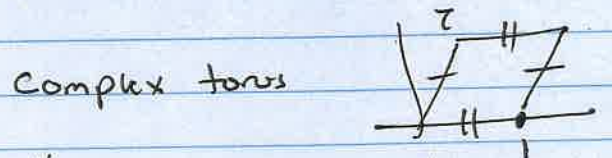
As SUGRA solution, carries deficit angle  $\frac{\pi}{6}$

Compactify IIB on  $S^2$  ( $\mathbb{C}P^1$ ).



24 7-branes  $\Rightarrow$  total deficit  $4\pi \rightarrow$  compact

SUSY solution?



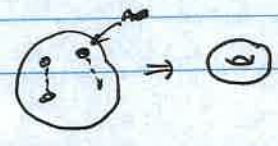
w/ marked point: elliptic curve  
 (add.  $\phi$ )

Alg geometric description  
 (as variety = alg. hypersurf)  
 in  $\mathbb{P}^2$

$$y^2 z = x^3 + f x z^2 + g z^3$$

[ Exercise:  $y^2 z + a_1 x y z + a_3 y z^2 = x^3 + a_2 x z^2 + a_4 x z^2 + a_6 z^3$  ]  
 complete square, cube

idea: double cover of  $\mathbb{P}^1$





### 3. N=1 8D SUGRA (16 supercharges)

#### 3.1 8D ~~vacuum~~ SUGRA

[Lao, Mishra '21]

gravity multiplet  $(g_{\mu\nu}, \chi, B_{\mu\nu}, A_{\mu}^{i=1,2})$   
<sub>(20)    (1)    (15)    (12)</sub>

gauge multiplet  $(A_{\mu}, \phi)$   
<sub>(6)    (2) (cpx)</sub>

signature (2, 2): 2 gauge multiplets

Global anomalies  $\Rightarrow \ell = 2, 10, 18$  (?) [Marrero/Vafa]

[1710.04218  
Garcia-Esteban et al]

#### 3.2 Metric cpt. (no orbifold): $\ell = 18$

$$\Gamma^{18,2} \subset \mathbb{R}^{18,2}$$

(Narain) Moduli space:  $M_{18,2} = \text{Sol}(\mathbb{R}^{18,2}) / \text{SO}(18) \times \text{SO}(2)$

idea: move  $\Gamma$  w/  $\text{SO}(18,2)$ ; equivalences under  $\text{SO}(18) \times \text{SO}(2)$ , lattice automorphism...

$$G: \Lambda_G \subset \Gamma^{18,2} \quad \text{Not just } \subset E_8 \times E_8, \dots$$

e.g.  $A_{18} \subset \Gamma^{18,2} \Rightarrow \text{SU}(19)$  gr. }  
 $D_{18} \rightarrow \text{SO}(36)$  } From Nikulin thms.  
 $E_6 \oplus E_6 \oplus E_6$   
 $E_6 \oplus E_6 \oplus E_6$

Generically,  $G = \text{U}(1)^{20}$  (2 from sugra multiplet;  $\mathbb{R}^{18,2}$  (18,2) sig)

$$\text{Cont. Moduli} = \frac{20-19}{2} - \frac{18-17}{2} - 1 = 36 = 18 \text{ cpx}$$

$\square$  shape  $\tau$ , 1 size  $g_{12}$ ;  $B_{12}$  } 2 cpx

$\triangleleft$  Wilson lines  $A_i \in \mathcal{U} \Rightarrow 16 \text{ cpx}$

$$\Gamma \text{ even} \leftrightarrow v \cdot v \in 2\mathbb{Z} \quad \forall v \in \Gamma$$

$$\Gamma^* \text{ (dual lattice)} = \{ w : w \cdot v \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \forall v \in \Gamma \}$$

$$\Gamma \text{ self-dual/unimodular} \leftrightarrow \Gamma = \Gamma^* \leftrightarrow \det \Gamma_{ij} = \pm 1$$

Thm (Milnor)  $\Gamma^{p,q}$  even unimodular  $\Rightarrow p \equiv q \pmod{8}$

Ex's: Root lattices of all ADE algebras all even sig  $(p,0)$   
eg.  $A_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  even, not unimodular ( $\det=3$ )

$E_8$ : unique  $(8,0)$  unimodular lattice.



Back to heterotic string:  $L$ : 26-dim bosonic string  
 $R$ : 10-d superstring

10D: opt  $L$  on 16 dim even self-dual lattice  
 $\Rightarrow E_8 \times E_8$  or  $\Lambda_{16} \approx \text{Spin}(32)/\mathbb{Z}_2$  !

$$9D: \Gamma^{17,1}$$

$(10-k)D: \Gamma^{16+k,k}$   $V_L$ :  $16+k$  dim real subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^{16+k,k}$

$$G: \text{root lattice } \Lambda_G = V_L \cap \Gamma^{16+k,k}$$

$\Rightarrow$  allowed gauge groups in dim  $10-k$ :

- $\oplus$  ADE lattices  $C \Gamma^{16+k,k}$
- $\oplus$   $U(1)$ 's,  $rk = 16+2k$

Also orbifolds: divide by discrete symmetry, can give  $rk = 8+2k, 2k$ .

(ref. Nikulin: lattice embeddings ~)

solution

$$X = x + w\sigma + p\tau + \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} \left( \frac{i}{n} \alpha_n e^{in(\tau+\sigma)} + \frac{i}{n} \tilde{\alpha}_n e^{in(\tau-\sigma)} \right)$$

$$[\alpha_n, \alpha_m^\dagger] = i n \delta_{nm}, \quad \alpha_m^\dagger = \alpha_{-m}$$

$$= x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \alpha_L (\tau + \sigma) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \alpha_R (\tau - \sigma) + \dots \quad (\text{L/R modes})$$

$$(\alpha_L, \alpha_R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\alpha \pm w))$$

On  $S^1$ :  $w = mR, \quad p = n/R$

Define  $l \cdot l = l_L^2 - l_R^2 = 2nm \in 2\mathbb{Z}$ .

$$l = (l_L, l_R)$$

$$\Rightarrow l \in \text{even lattice } \Gamma \quad (\text{1D cpt. } \Gamma'' \text{ has } U = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ ip.})$$

in any  $D$ , consistency (modular invariance)  $\Rightarrow l \in \Gamma'$  even, self-dual

Quantum states of string  $\prod \alpha_{-n} \tilde{\alpha}_{-m} |l_L, l_R\rangle \quad (\alpha, \tilde{\alpha} |l_L, l_R\rangle = 0)$

$$\rightarrow \text{particle in Paincaré rep.} \quad M^2 = \frac{2}{\alpha'} [l_L^2 + 2(N-1)] = \frac{2}{\alpha'} [l_R^2 + 2(N-1)]$$

massless fields:  $(\alpha_{-1}^\mu \tilde{\alpha}_{-1}^{\nu} \pm \alpha_{-1}^{\nu} \alpha_{-1}^{\mu}) |l_L = l_R = 0\rangle$

$$\Rightarrow g^{\mu\nu}, B^{\mu\nu}, \phi$$

$$\tilde{\alpha}_{-1}^N |l_R = 0, l_L^2 = 2\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{extra } A_\mu \text{ massless!}$$

$$(\text{e.g. } R = 1/R, m = n = \pm 1, l_L = \sqrt{2}) \rightarrow \text{SU}(2)$$

Lattices (ref: Conway + Slooten)

$$\Gamma \subset \mathbb{R}^{k,m} \text{ a lattice:}$$

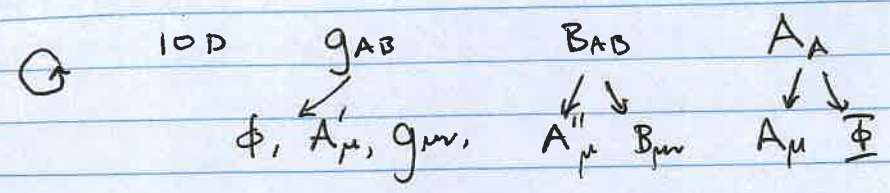
$$\bullet \Gamma = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^k n_i e_i, n_i \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} \quad (e_i \text{ lin. indep.})$$

$$\bullet v \cdot w \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \forall v, w \in \Gamma \quad (\text{integral, symmetric inner product})$$

Given basis,  $\Gamma_{ij} = e_i \cdot e_j$  "Gram matrix" e.g.  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  Eucl.  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$   $\Gamma''$

2.2 Heterotic compactification on tori (16 Q's)

$G = E_8 \times E_8, Spin(32)/\mathbb{Z}_2$



e.g.  $E_8 \times E_8 \xrightarrow{(10D)} E_8 \times E_8 \times U(1) \times U(1) \quad (9D)$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $E_8 \times E_8 \times U(1)^k \times U(1)^k \quad (10-k D)$

$rk G = 16 + 2k = 36 - 2D$   
 $\Phi$ : matter in adjoint rep.

- But:
- $G$  can be smaller (rk fixed)
  - $G$  can be bigger

Flat connections  $F_{\mu\nu} = 0 \Rightarrow$  locally  $A_\mu \sim \emptyset$  by gauge transform  
 (break  $G$ )  
 $\Pi_1(T^d)$  nontrivial  $\Rightarrow$  flat connes  $A_i = \text{const}$   
 $[A_i, A_j] = 0 \Rightarrow F = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$

$\textcircled{U} = e^{iA_i 2\pi R_i} = \int e^{i \int dx^i A_i}$

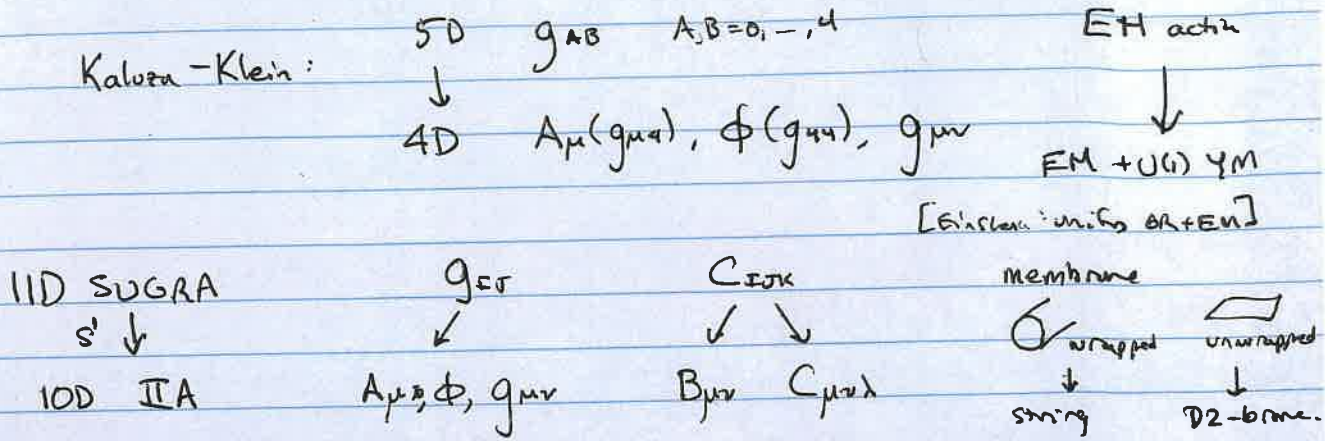
breaks part of  $G$ .  $g^{-1} U g \neq U$ ,  $g$  broken.  $(m^2 A_\mu A^\mu - i F_{\mu\nu} A^\nu)$   
 $A_i$  in Cartan  $\Rightarrow$  maintains rank.  
 (ref: Polchinski)

String states:  
enhance  $G$ .

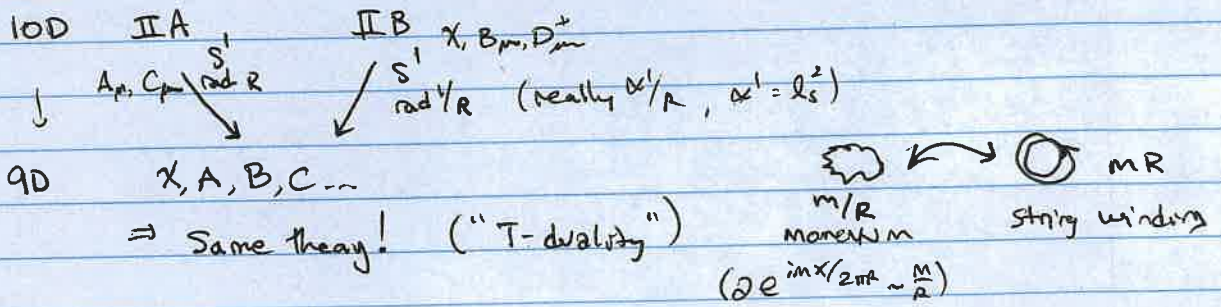
Simple bosonic string theory:  $S \sim \frac{1}{2} \int d\sigma d\tau (\partial_\tau X \partial_\tau X - \partial_\sigma X \partial_\sigma X)$   
 EOM  $(\partial_\tau^2 - \partial_\sigma^2) X = 0$

## 2. Compactifications: lattices, tori, ~~discretizations~~

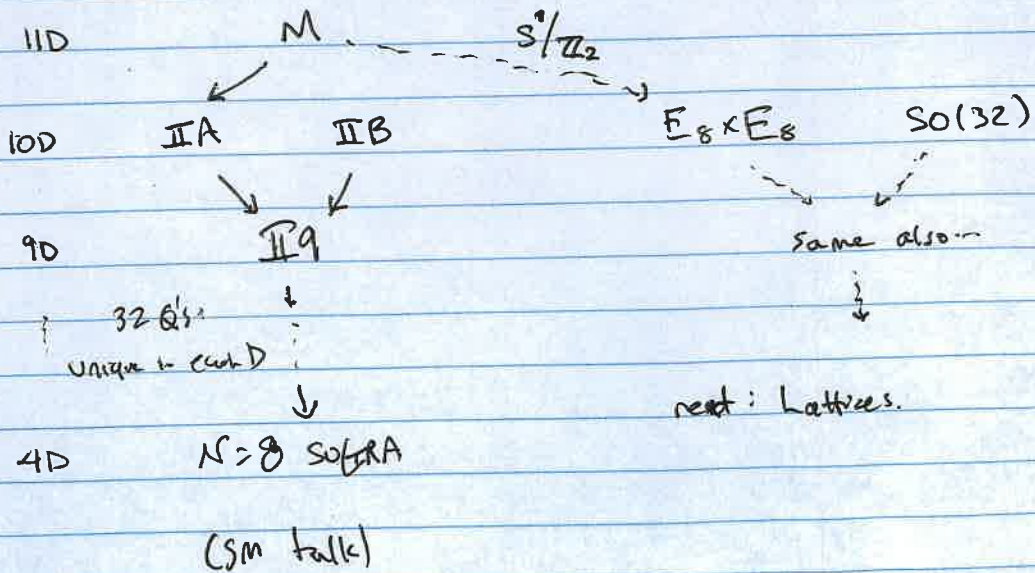
### 2.1 Circle (S<sup>1</sup>) compactification



[in more detail, 11D M-theory: strong coupling limit of IIA]  
 (decompactify) lots more work.  
 ( $\phi = g_{00}$ ,  $g_s = e^\phi$ )



Big picture:



• 10D  $\mathcal{N}=1$  SUGRA (type I SUGRA)

gravity multiplet  
 $\mathcal{R}_V \oplus (\mathcal{R}_V \oplus \mathcal{R}')$   
 of  $SO(8)$

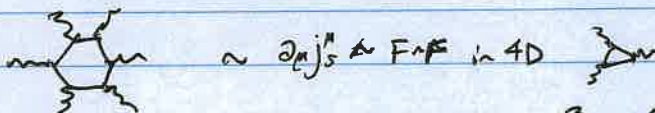
$\phi, g_{\mu\nu}, B_{\mu\nu}$  +  $\psi^M_\alpha, \psi_\alpha$   
 $\underbrace{1 \quad \frac{8 \cdot 9 - 1}{2} \quad 28}_{(35)} \quad \underbrace{7 \cdot 8 \quad 8}_{64}$

gauge multiplet  
 $(\mathcal{R}_V \oplus \mathcal{R}')$

$A_\mu$  +  $\chi_\alpha$   
 gauge field (can be NA) (8')

- gravity (grav)
- $B_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow$  string theory
- $A_\mu \rightarrow$  gauge symmetry Gr.

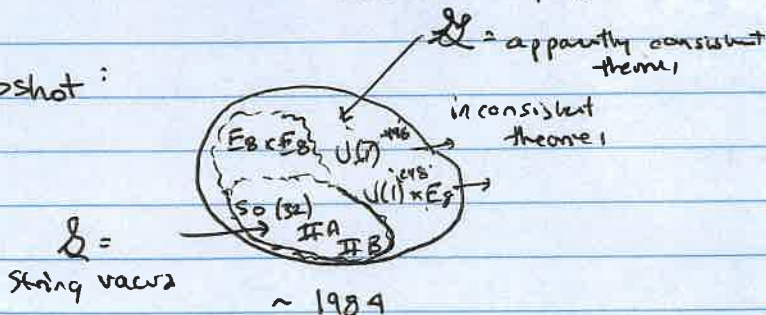
Witten: Anomalies (grav, gauge, mixed)  $\Rightarrow$  G broken @ quantum level  
(dim  $4k+2$ )



Green & Schwarz: canceled for  $(4,8)$

$G = \boxed{Spin(32)/\mathbb{Z}_2 \text{ ("SO(32")}, E_8 \times E_8}, E_8 \times U(1), U(1)$   
heterotic string th ADT: X inconsistent

Upshot:



now: in 10D  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}$ : "string universality" (@ level of mass spec)  
 $\rightarrow$  all consistent massless 10D SUGRA spectra from string th.

Goal: Understand theories in lower D

- Consistency from susy, anomalies, etc.

SUGRA/string compactifications  $\leftarrow$  focus of remaining lectures.

[Grn ref: WT FAST note]

So max dim for SUGRA is  $D=11$ , w/out spin  $> 2$  issues.

- Unique theory, massless spectrum:  $g_{\mu\nu} + C_{\mu\nu\lambda} + \text{ferm.}$
- 32 supercharges
- not a string theory (part.  $\int_{w\text{-line}} A_{\mu}$ , string to  $\int_{w\text{-sheet}} B_{\mu\nu}$ )
- "M-theory" ~ membrane thry ( $\int_{w\text{-volume}} C_{\mu\nu\lambda}$ ) ( $\int_{D=11 \text{ BFSS}} \text{[Victor Reches]}$ )
- discovered 1978, unified w/ string thry 1995 [Witten]
- low-E action:  $\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int \sqrt{-g} (R - \frac{1}{2} |G|^2 - \frac{1}{6} C \wedge G \wedge G)$ ,  $G = dC$   
 $[\text{G}_{\mu\nu\lambda} = \partial_{[\mu} C_{\nu\lambda]}]$

~~Observe consistency SUGRA thus in  $D=11$ , connect w/ string physics~~

## 1.2.2 10D SUGRA

Using similar techniques:

- 10D  $N=2$  SUGRA (32 =  $2 \times 16$  supercharges)

opp chirality:  $\underline{16}, \underline{16}' \Rightarrow$  IIA (parity invariant)

$\underbrace{\phi, g_{\mu\nu}, B_{\mu\nu}}_{64}, A_{\mu}, C_{\mu\nu\lambda} \Rightarrow 128$  bosonic fields  
 (+128 fermions)  
 (18) (56) (27)

same chirality  $\Rightarrow$  IIB

$\phi, g_{\mu\nu}, B_{\mu\nu}, \chi, \tilde{B}_{\mu\nu}, D_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \Rightarrow 128 + 128$  b+f DoF  
 (1) (28) (35) (0,1) (0,3)  
 self-dual

IIA, IIB unique as massless spectra, both realized through quantum string theories,  $\int_{\Sigma} B_{\mu\nu}$  [Dp-branes: couple to  $p+1$  G]

# 4D Supergravity

Enhanced SUSY in 4D:

→ (SM lepton)

$$\{Q_\alpha^A, \bar{Q}_\beta^B\} = 2P_\mu \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\mu \delta^{AB} + Z^{\alpha\beta} \delta_{\alpha\beta} \quad A \in 1, \dots, N$$

each  $\{b_A, b_A^+\} = 1 \Rightarrow b^+ : \lambda \rightarrow \lambda + 1/2$

relates multiple  $N=1$  multiplets  $\Rightarrow 1$  multiplet.

max helicity 2  $\Rightarrow$  max  $N=8$   $| -2 \rangle \dots | 2 \rangle$

#  $Q$ 's = "# of supercharges"  $\Rightarrow N \times 4$  (32 max)

## 1.2 Supergravity

Look @ SUSY reps in higher dimensions.

problems when  $\sim N > 2$  in 4D,  $\sim$  spin  $> 2$  particles.

### 1.2.1 11D SUGRA

spins  $\geq 2 \rightarrow$  all spins.   
 [no known interaction massless higher spin theories]

Max D:  $D=11$

$$\{Q_\alpha, \bar{Q}_\beta\} = 2P_I \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^I \quad I \in \{0, \dots, 10\}$$

massless states xform under  $SO(9)$  little group.

Exercise: 256 states in massless multiplet

44:  $g_{\mu\nu}$  (1D diag of  $SO(9)$ )

84:  $C_{\mu\nu\lambda}$  ( $\mathbb{A}$ , antisym 3-index tensor)

128:  $\psi_\alpha^M$  (gravitino)



Putting it all together

- construct spinor reps w/ creation & annihilator ops

Soln)  $\{\Gamma^i, \Gamma^j\} = 2\delta^{ij}$

$\beta_a^+ \equiv \frac{1}{2} (\Gamma_{2a-1} + i \Gamma_{2a})$       $a=1, \dots, n = \lfloor N/2 \rfloor$   
 $\beta_a \equiv \frac{1}{2} (\Gamma_{2a-1} - i \Gamma_{2a})$

$\{\beta_a, \beta_b^+\} = \delta_{ab}$       $\beta_a^2 = (\beta_a^+)^2 = 0$  (fermion c/a ops)

$\forall a \quad \beta |-\rangle = 0$   
 $\beta \beta^+ |-\rangle = |-\rangle \Rightarrow \beta^+ |-\rangle \equiv |+\rangle$

state space  $V = (V_2)^{\lfloor N/2 \rfloor}$

$[M_{2a-1, 2a}, \beta_a^+] = \beta_a^+$       $\Rightarrow$  spin states  $S_1, \dots, S_n$       $S_i \in \{\pm 1/2\}$   
 $S_a$ : Cartan subalg.     (eg recall soln) =  $\sum_{i=1}^n S_i$

- Back to 4D Mink. SUSY  $\Gamma^0 \sim \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \Gamma^1 \sim \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  on  $S_1$

$\beta_1 = \Gamma^0 + \Gamma^1$       $\beta_1^+ = \Gamma^0 - \Gamma^1$      (mink  $\rightarrow$  no  $i$ !)

$\Gamma^1 \Gamma^0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathbb{1} + \Gamma^1 \Gamma^0$  projects  $S_1 = +1/2$

$\Rightarrow \{Q_{S_1, S_2}, Q_{S_1', S_2'}^+\} = 2k \delta_{S_1, 1/2} \delta_{S_2, S_2'}$  on massless  $(k, k, 0, 0)$  states

$[b = \frac{2}{\sqrt{k}} Q$

$b, b^+ \propto Q, Q^+ \sim \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  raise & low  $S_1$ .

$\Rightarrow$  SUSY relates helicity state  $|\lambda\rangle, |\lambda+1/2\rangle$

- e.g.  $|0\rangle, |1/2\rangle$  "sfermion", fermion
- $|1/2\rangle, |1\rangle$  "gaugino", gauge boson
- $|3/2\rangle, |2\rangle$  "gravitino", graviton

Enter in little gp picture all  $\rightarrow 0$ , indices, no other  $\pm$

### 1.1.2 Poincaré gp

SO(N): in natural / find rep, M preserves  $\delta_{ij}$  (Eucld. inner product)

$$M \delta M^T = \delta \quad \delta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

In special relativity,  $\eta_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} +1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  (sig (1, d-1))

Lorentz xforms  $\Lambda \eta \Lambda^T = \eta \quad \Lambda \in SO(1, d-1)$

non-cpt Lie gp, includes boosts, unitary reps  $\infty$ -dim.

in QFT  $\Rightarrow$  Poincaré gp, include xlations

$$\left. \begin{aligned} J^{\mu\nu} &= i(X^\mu \partial^\nu - X^\nu \partial^\mu) \\ P^\mu &= i \partial^\mu \end{aligned} \right\} \text{Poincaré gens.}$$

• reps of Poincaré gp:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} P^2 = P_\mu P^\mu \text{ commutes w/ all: diagonalize} \\ \text{classify particle state, \& field} \end{array} \right.$  (e.g. Weinberg)  
- uses "little group" method:  $\downarrow$  fix  $p^\mu$ , look @ rep.  $\begin{array}{l} \text{eg. } p = (p_0, \dots) \rightarrow \text{spin } 3/2, 1, 0, \dots \\ \text{massless } (p, p, 0) \rightarrow \text{helicity } S_{O(d-2)} \\ \text{massive } E(d-2) \end{array}$   $\downarrow$  Spin

### 1.1.3 SUSY

extend Poincaré  $\Rightarrow$  super Poincaré: introduce  $Q_\alpha$   
 $\uparrow$   
spinor index

$Q_\alpha$ : boson  $\leftrightarrow$  fermion

$$\{Q_\alpha, \bar{Q}_\beta\} = 2 P_\mu \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\mu$$

Ex: 4D N=1 SUSY

$$\{\Gamma^\mu, \Gamma^\nu\}_{\alpha\beta} = 2 \eta^{\mu\nu} \mathbb{1}_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\bar{Q} = Q^\dagger \Gamma_0$$

$\Rightarrow$  little gp massive:  $p^\mu = (k, k, 0, 0) \rightarrow \{Q_\alpha, Q_\beta^\dagger\} = 2k (\mathbb{1} + \Gamma^1 \Gamma^0)_{\alpha\beta}$

Thm (Dynkin) • highest wt labeled by  $\mu \rightarrow (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_r)$

• state w/  $\mu_a > 0$  hit  $\mu_a$  times by  $E_{-\alpha_a} \Rightarrow$  new state,

$\rightarrow$  subtract  $a^{\text{th}}$  row of  $C_{ab}$

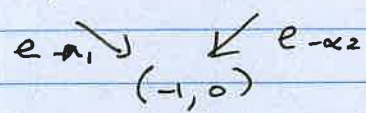
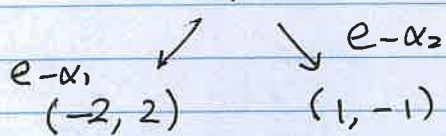
•  $\prod_{k=1}^l E_{-\alpha_k} \mu$  @ level  $l$ .

• repr "spindle shaped"  $\diamond$

e.g.  $SU(3)$   $C_{ab} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

$\mu = (2, 0)$   
 $\downarrow E_{-\alpha_1}$

$(0, 1)$



$\downarrow$   
 $(0, -2)$

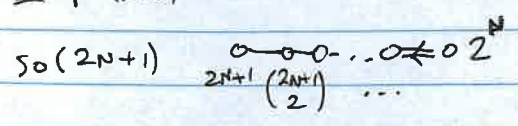
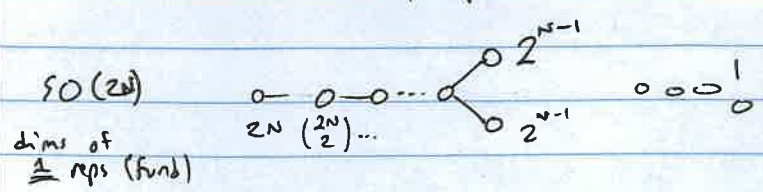
$\square$  of  $SU(3)$   
 $\leftrightarrow$  symm 2-index...

Exercise  $SO(8)$  fund. rep

$\begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \downarrow \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots \end{matrix}$

Spinor reps of  $SO(N)$  ( $N \geq 5$ )

- important for physics + SUSY
- only reps not in  $\Lambda \square$  for classical alg's.



Realization: use Clifford algebra  $\{\Gamma_i, \Gamma_j\} = \Gamma_i \Gamma_j + \Gamma_j \Gamma_i = 2 \delta_{ij} \mathbb{1}_{i,j=1, \dots, N}$

$M = \frac{1}{4i} [\Gamma_i, \Gamma_j] \rightarrow SO(N)$  alg, realize spinor rep.

e.g.  $N=5$  Dirac matrices  $\Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_4$   $4 \times 4$ ,  $\Gamma_5 \propto \Gamma_1 \Gamma_2 \Gamma_3 \Gamma_4$

• ADD from affine (∞-dim) Lie algs.

•  $\mathfrak{MADD} \not\subseteq \mathfrak{M}$  Lie alg  $\Rightarrow$  classification (pf: exercise)

DD, ADD useful in understanding

- equivalences e.g.  $\begin{matrix} \circ & \circ & \circ \\ \circ & \circ & \circ \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \mathfrak{so}(4) \sim \mathfrak{su}(2) \times \mathfrak{su}(2) \\ \mathfrak{so}(6) \sim \mathfrak{su}(4) \end{matrix}$

- outer automorphisms of  $\mathfrak{g}$  (from symmetries of DD)

- classify subgroups, reps.

Representations ~~Rep~~ rep  $g \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(g): \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  assume unitary repr.  
gp. hom

Classification: alg:  $h \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(h) \quad (g \sim 1 + i\epsilon h)$

reducible:  $\mathcal{D} \sim \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{D}_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{D}_2 \end{pmatrix} \forall g$ ; focus on irred. repr.

Classification

• diagonalize  $\mathcal{D}_0$ :  $h_i |\mu\rangle = \mu_i |\mu\rangle$   
 $\mu_i$ : weights ( $\alpha$  wts in adjoint rep)

$$h_i (e_\alpha |\mu\rangle) = (\mu_i + \alpha_i) (e_\alpha |\mu\rangle)$$

$\Rightarrow e_{\pm\alpha}$  move in weight space.

$$2 \frac{\mu \cdot \alpha_i}{\alpha_i^2} \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (\pm\alpha \Rightarrow \mathfrak{su}(2) \text{ subalg.})$$

• Finite dim reps  $R$  labeled by highest wt  $|\mu_R\rangle$ ,  $e_\alpha |\mu_R\rangle = 0$   
labeled uniquely by  $\Pi_a = \frac{2\mu \cdot \alpha_a}{\alpha_a^2} \geq 0$   $\alpha$  simple

• all states  $\sim \prod e_{-\alpha} |\mu_R\rangle$ ; multiplicity a bit complicated.

~~Details Georgi~~

Cartan Matrix  $C_{ab} = 2 \frac{\alpha_a \cdot \alpha_b}{\alpha_a \cdot \alpha_a} \in \mathbb{Z}$  (pf, details Georgi)

eg.  $SU(3) 2 \frac{\beta \cdot (-\beta)}{\beta^2} = -1, C_{ab} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

(finite-dim)

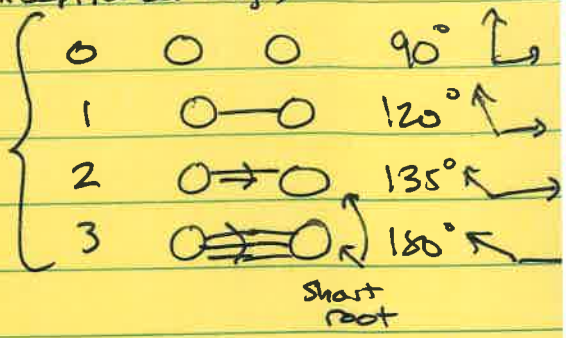
All simple cpt Lie algebras:

$SU_n, SO_n, Sp_{2n}$  (Classical)

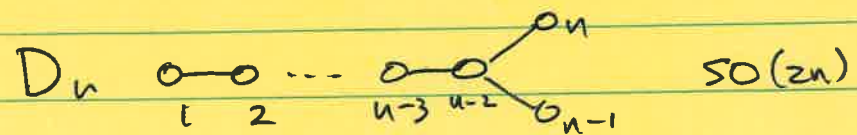
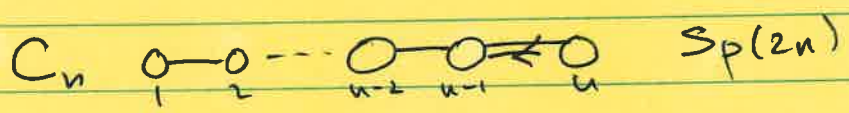
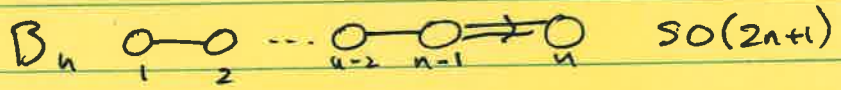
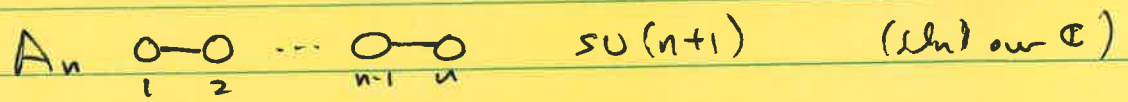
$E_6, E_7, E_8, F_4, G_2$  (Exceptional algs)

Dynkin diagrams:

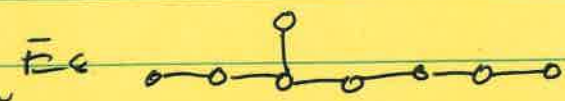
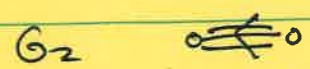
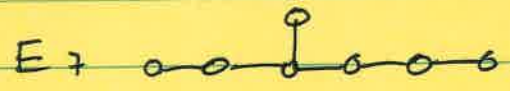
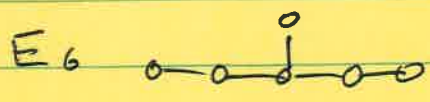
$\frac{4(\alpha \cdot \beta)^2}{\alpha^2 \beta^2} =$



Classical

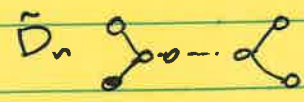
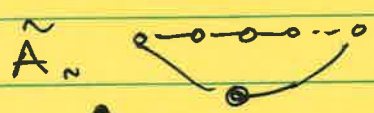


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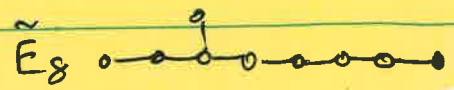
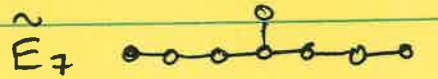
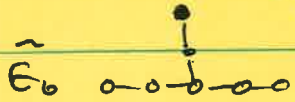


ADE: simply-laced  
- mostly focus on the

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Cpt Lie groups & algebras & reps

ref. Georgi, Slansky

Group:  $G = \{g\}$   $gh \in G, (gh)^{-1} = g^{-1}h^{-1}$ ,  $\exists 1: 1 \cdot g = g \cdot 1 = g$ ,  $\forall g \exists g^{-1}$   
 (closed) (Assoc.) (id) (inverse)  
 $gg^{-1} = g^{-1}g = 1$

Lie gp:  $G$  is a manifold (locally  $\cong \mathbb{R}^n$ )  
 ex.  $SU(N)$   $UU^\dagger = 1, \det U = 1$

Lie algebra: local structure of Lie gp   
 $G \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$

$g \sim 1 + i\epsilon A$

$[A, B]$ : closed, linear in  $A, B$ , antisymmetric  $[A, B] = -[B, A]$

Jacobi  $[[A, B], C] + \text{cyclic} = 0$

ex.  $SU(2)$   $[J_a, J_b] = i\epsilon_{abc} J_c$   $\epsilon_{123} = 1$ , antisymm.

Physics: Lie gp  $\leftrightarrow$  gauge symm (global)  $(U(1), SU(2), SU(3))$

Note: multiple  $G \rightarrow$  same  $\mathfrak{g}$  (eg.  $SU(2) \leftarrow SU(2)$ ,  $SO(3) \leftarrow SU(2)/\mathbb{Z}_2$ )

matter: in representation of  $G, \mathfrak{g}$

(rep  $G \rightarrow$  rep  $\mathfrak{g} \Rightarrow$  suff to classify repr of  $\mathfrak{g}$  + easier)  
 (no nonzero proper ideals)

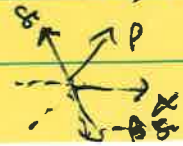
• Classification of simple Lie algebras (cpt. (simple: nonabelian, no factors)  
 (cpt  $\Rightarrow$  all irreps finite dim (irreducible repr.))  
 no  $\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{pmatrix}$ )

i) Cartan subalgebra  $[h_i, h_j] = 0$   
 $\mathfrak{g}_0$  spanned by  $h_1, \dots, h_m$   $i=1, \dots, m$  ( $m$  max)  
 rank

ii) Diagonalize in adjoint rep.  $[h_i, e_\alpha] = \alpha_i e_\alpha$   $\alpha_i$ : roots

positive simple roots:  $\alpha = (0, 0, \dots, 0, \alpha_i > 0, \dots)$

simple roots:  $\alpha > 0, \alpha \neq \beta + \delta, \beta, \delta > 0$

ex.  $SU(3)$    $\beta, -\delta$  simple roots.

# 1. Tools + HD/10D SUGRA

## 1.1 Symmetries

RG is a hard problem.  $\Rightarrow$  Add Symmetry!

4D Poincaré (rotations, boosts, translations)

$\rightarrow$  10D/11D Poincaré

$\rightarrow$  10D/11D Super Poincaré

Basic ideas:

[will discuss with next PhD student]

Relevant symmetries:

- Gauge symmetries: GPT Lie groups (also relevant for F-theory gauge)

- Poincaré symmetry

- Supersymmetry

1.1.1 Compact

4th force: gravity - not just a QFT!

- GR (+sm) perturbatively non-renormalizable
- symmetry: diffeomorphism invariance  
 ⇒ need to  $\int$  over all geometries, topologies  
 ! no clear mathematical framework in general

Only robust solution in higher dim: "string theory"

- Not just a theory of strings.
- 11D Super: membranes
- AdS/CFT: QG = CFT in specific asymptotic geometries

(Super) string theory: natural definition in 10D (→ 11D)  
 → SUPERGRA is low-energy EFT.

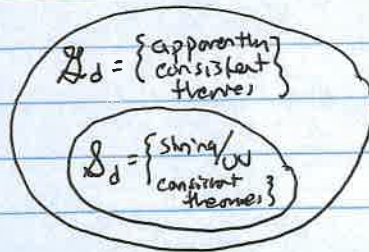
⇒ theories in lower dim. by "compactification"

$$X_{10} = M_{10-d}^c \times M_d^s$$

(compact)      (space-time:  $\mathbb{R}^{1,d-1}$  or AdS<sub>d</sub>)

String theory / Quantum Gravity imposes constraints on Low E physics.  
 (cf. Montero lectures)

Theory space  
 (e.g. GR, D, SUSY)



Inconsistent theories  
 (anomalous)

$Q_d = S_d ?$   
string universality

These lectures: Explore  $S_d$  through geometric compactifications of SUPERGRA  
 - Focus on tools, principles. (little string theory)



# Supergravity and string/F-theory compactifications in Various Dimensions

W. Taylor lectures @ TSIMF, January 2025  
 19th April: ~~lectures~~ with School on Strings, Particles, and Cosmology

- 0. Intro
- 1. Basic tools, SUGRA in 11D, 10D
- 2. Compactification
- 3. 8D & 7D SUGRA & compactification
- 4. 6D,  $N=1$  SUGRA & CFT
- 5. 4D,  $N=1$  F-theory & outlook

## 0. Intro

CFT describes the observed Standard Model of particle physics

Gauge fields  $A_\mu$  group  $G = SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$  (12 bosons)  
 $\Rightarrow g, Z, W^\pm$   
 Strong  $\downarrow$   
 electroweak

Matter: quarks, leptons  $(u, d, \dots)$ ,  $(e, \nu_e, \dots)$  fermions  
 transform under  $G$  (repres)

Higgs field  $\phi$ : scalar field, transforms under  $SU(2) \times U(1)$

$$\mathcal{L} \sim \int -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^2 + i \bar{\psi} \not{\partial} \psi + \bar{\psi} \psi - V(\phi)$$

[some math] (Feynman rules) (kinetic, chiral) (Yukawa)

many details: chiral matter, SSR, etc...