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Breaking  $E_8$  is subtle -

$\sim -9, -10, -11$  curve in 6D,  $E_8$  w/ codim 2 (4,6) sing.  
 $\rightarrow$  strongly coupled / SCFT matter.  
 some progress: Y Wang + Tom.

Seems  $E_8 \rightarrow E_7 \rightarrow \text{GSM}$  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, dHN)  $\sim$  quantum theory in light cone

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

Some understandings from

- Holomorphy / alg geometry  $\Rightarrow$  strong global picture
- Limit of M-theory gives some M5 - but singular ECY  
 don't have formulation of theory on singular space
- IIB sugra, Se (orbifold) limit
- Heterotic duality when B is  $P^1$  fibred
- String junctions
- Special cases: const  $T$

But we need more: IDEAS?

### Approaches to realizing the Standard Model

	GUT	$SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1) / \mathbb{Z}_6$
Tuned $G_1$	Tuned GUT, eq. $SU(5)$	Tuned $G_{SM}$
Rigid $G$	rigid GUT	rigid $G_{SM}$

- Tuned  $SU(5)$ : much work [BHV, DW]

[Kleier et al.]

- Tuned  $G_{SM}$ : can tune directly - "F" fiber, direct construction [Raghuram/...]  
"quadrillion sm" [Cicconi 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  $G_{E8KL}$  in M-theory  $G = dC$
- $G \Rightarrow$  can break gauge gp.
- $G \Rightarrow$  can induce chiral matter
- $G \Rightarrow$  superpotential  $W = \int d^4x^n G_{\mu\nu} \quad [GNW]$

Recent work w/ SY (Kobayashi):

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

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

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## 5. 4D $N=1$ SUGRA

Many string constructions - huge literature!

Biggest issue: Moduli space lifted by potential/superpotential

IIA, IIB /  $CY_3 + \text{fluxes}$       het /  $CY_3$       M /  $O_2$       F-theory /  $B_3$ , bare & ECY4.

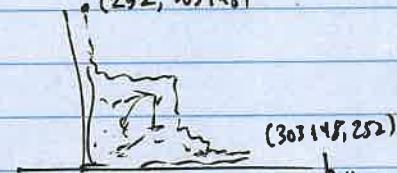
Focus on F-theory. [Timo Weigand l. note for more details]

$\{B_3, ECY4\}$  vast, much less understood

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

- Toric bases:  $\sim 10^{750}$  explicit [Halv/Lan/Yang/Sing]  
 $\sim 10^{3000}$  by monte carlo [<sup>w/</sup> Y.Wang]  
 $h^{2,1}$ , (252, 303148)

- Similar big picture (?)



- $B_{\text{marker}} \rightarrow \sim 10^{273,000}$  flux vacua [<sup>w/</sup> Y.Wang]
- $B_{\text{marker}} \rightarrow \sim 10^{46,000}$  flop phases.

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

? What is the right ensemble?

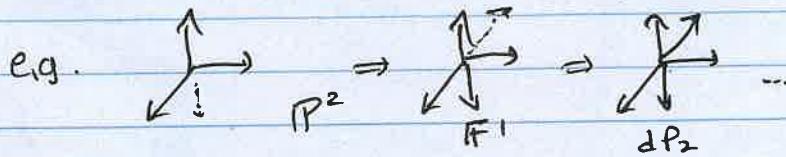
? What is the measure?

Unclear, but for any of these,

- Many  $B_3 \times$
- almost all have  $E_8, F_4, G_2 \times \text{SU}(2)$   
+ some other rigid g.p.s

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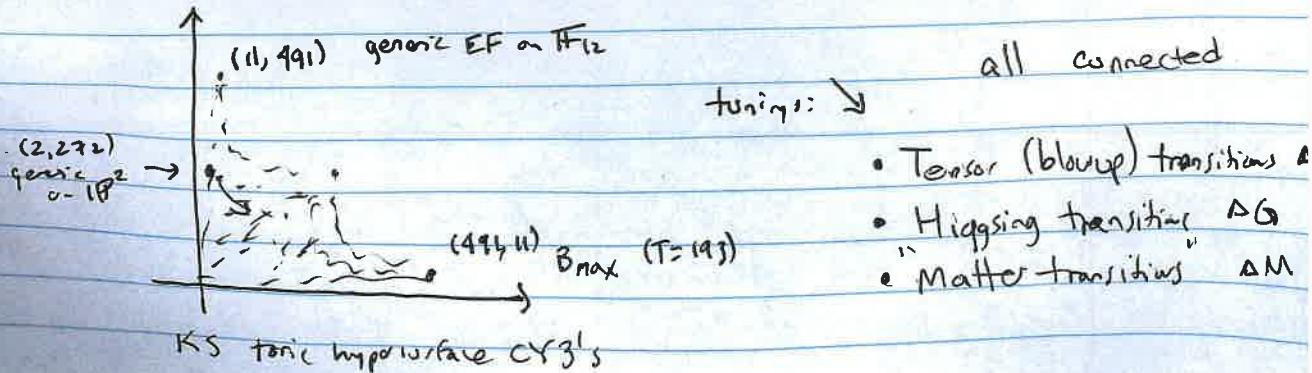
Thm (Grassi/Gors)

All  $B_2$  supporting ECYB's are blowups of  $\mathbb{P}^2$ ,  $F_m$ .blow up torically: odd 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 dom to  $h^{21} =$ ) w/  $\checkmark$  $\Rightarrow$  Gives many 6D F-theory models (+ tuning)

ECYB's.

KS database: Start w/ toric 3D polytope (convex hull of rays)  
reflective  $\checkmark$  (no int pts,  
polydral lattice  
plus w/o int pts  
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  $G_2$ , e.g.  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ , from  $U(1) \times q=1, 2$

Captured in Tate-Shafarevich / Weil-Chatelet gp  
— related to  $g=1$  fibers (no sectors) Higgs on  $q=2$ .  
[Bong/Mars ...]

### 4.5 Classification of 6D SUGRA + CY3's.

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

- A) F-theory:  
 i) choose  $B_2$   
 ii) look @ toric  $G_{\text{NA}}$ ,  $G_A$ ,  $G_{\text{ar}} \dots$

- B) Look @ CY3's.

- CY3's

- Kreuzer-Skarke database ( $\sim 400$  M constraints)

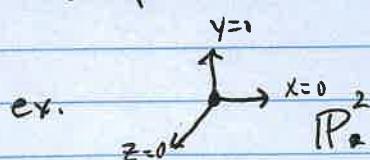
Useful tool: toric geometry.

Combinatorial alg. geometry.

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

see e.g.  
[Fulton]

Simple case: smooth 2D cpt toric vars.



rays  $r_i, r_i, r_{i+1}$  span unit cell  
( $\det r_{i+1} = \pm 1$ )

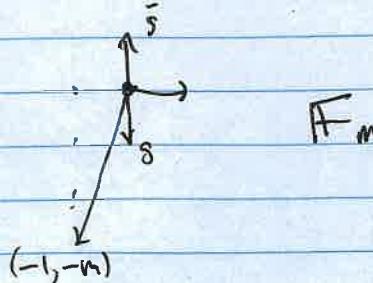
$$D_i \cdot D_j = 1$$

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

$$\sum r_i^x D_i = \sum r_i^y D_i = 0 \quad (\text{SP ideal})$$

$$\Rightarrow D_1 \cdot D_2 + D_2 \cdot D_3 + D_3 \cdot D_1 = 0, \quad D_1 + D_3 = 0$$

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



$$-K = \sum D_i$$

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

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

Duality w/ heterotic  $\leftrightarrow$  Fm F-theory

het / K3, K3 elliptic  $\circ\circ$   $\circ\circ\circ\circ$   
 $\circ$   $\leftrightarrow$   $\circ$   
 fibering 8D duality.

het bundle: need instantons  $M_+ + M_- = 24$

Duality:  $M^\pm = 12 \pm m$   
 e.g.  $m = -12$ ,  $M_+ = 0 \Rightarrow E_8$  unbroken, matches nh.  $E_8$ .

[more:  $MV$ ,  $FMW$  etc]

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

$$T = H_{11}(B) - 1$$

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

$$A = K$$

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

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

Close match but still some "swampland" disagreement.

More subtle features:

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

Shioda-Tate-Wazir:  $H_{11}(X) = H_{11}(B) + 1 + rk(G)$   
 bare fine  $\uparrow$   $G_A$

$U(1)$  matter subtle:

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

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

some  $U(1)^3$   
 beyond harder

Ex. B-Hirzebach  $F_m$

$F_m: \mathbb{P}^1$  bundle over  $\mathbb{P}^1$

Cpt of  $\mathcal{L}$  with  $[(\mathcal{L})] = m$

$h_{11}(F_m) = 2$ . basis  $S$  (section),  $F$  = fiber  
 $\Rightarrow T = 1$

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

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

$$F_0 = \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 : f_{13}, g_{12,12} \text{ in } U, V$$

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

Interesting cases:  $m \geq 3$

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

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

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

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

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

$$\tilde{g} \cdot S = 0$$

generally  $-3$  curve  $\rightarrow$  NM  $\text{SU}(3)$

$-4 \rightarrow \text{SO}(8)$

$-5 \rightarrow E_8$  (monodromy)

$-6 \rightarrow E_6$

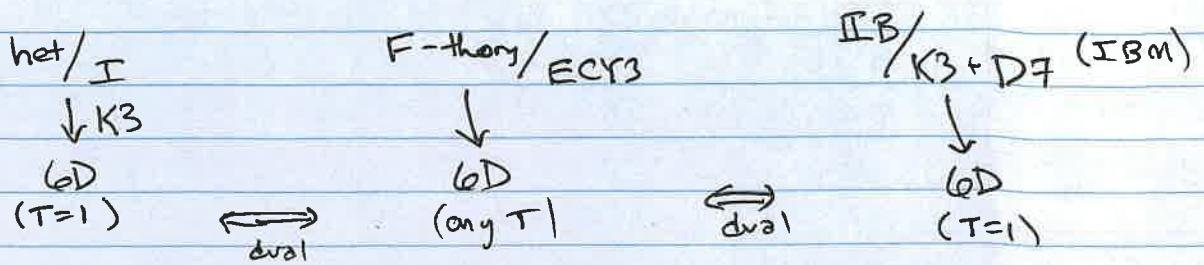
$-7 \rightarrow E_7 + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{6}$

$-8 \rightarrow E_8$

$-9, -12 \rightarrow E_8$

$-13 \rightarrow \text{bad codim 1 sing.}$

## 4.2 Realizations through string theory



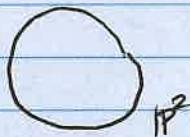
6D F-theory

$$\mathbb{E} \rightarrow X = CY_3$$

$B_2$  cpx compact base surface

## 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  $G_{\text{NA}}$ .

$$T = 0 \quad (\text{IIB: } D_4^+ \text{ wrapped on } H_{1,1} \text{ cycle} \rightarrow B^\pm \Rightarrow T = h_n(\beta) - 1)$$

$$V = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow H - V = 273 - 29T \Rightarrow H = 273 \quad \begin{matrix} 272 \\ \text{(in parameters of } f, g) \\ \rightarrow \text{CS moduli,} \\ 1 \text{ universal v axiodil} \end{matrix}$$

Can tune  $G_{\text{NA}}$ ,  $\Rightarrow$  matter

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

Note:  $\tilde{g}_{14}(u, v)$  vanishes at 14 pts on  $u=0$ .

$\overset{\text{OOOO}}{\uparrow}$  Kac-Vafa  
 $\bullet$  Kform  
adds node under 27

$$\Rightarrow 14 \times \left(\frac{1}{2} 27\right) \quad \text{check e.g. } a \cdot b = \frac{1}{6} \lambda \underset{(4)}{\left( A_{\text{adj}} - X_R^i A_R \right)}$$

$$a = k = -3, \quad b = 1 \Rightarrow -3 = (4 - 7 \cdot 1) \quad \checkmark$$

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

4.1 SUGRA multiplets

SUGRA	$(g, B_{\mu\nu}^+, \psi_\mu^-)$	
tensor (T)	$(B_{\mu\nu}, \phi, X^+)$	
vector (V)	$(A_\mu, \lambda^-)$	$(\text{gauge gp } G = G^{NA} \times G^+ / \Gamma)$
hyperc (H)	$(4\psi, \psi^+)$	$(\text{matter in rep R of } G)$

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

$$\begin{array}{c} F/\epsilon \\ \square \\ \square \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \curvearrowleft \\ \curvearrowright \\ B \end{array} = 0$$

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

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

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

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

+ constraints on matter reps via gp thru.

[Sagnotti;  
KMT]

$$F^4 \quad 0 = B_{adj}^i - \sum_R \sum_T X_R^i B_R^i$$

# hypers in rep R of  $b_{ij}$

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

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

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

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

$$\text{Tr}_R F^2 = A_R \text{tr}_{\Gamma_0} F^2$$

$$\lambda_{SUSY} = 1, \lambda_{E8} = 60, \dots$$

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

general T: finite w/ some assumptions

$\left[ \frac{\lambda_{kin}}{\lambda_{V_{SA}}}, \frac{V_{kin}}{V_{SA}}, \frac{24}{X_0} \right]$

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## 3.7 7D SUGRA

$$7\text{D SUGRA: } \text{het}/\Gamma^{43} \rightarrow SO(19,3; \mathbb{Z}) / SO(19) \times SO(3)$$

- or -

$$M/K_3 \text{ geometric reduction}$$

$$M = M_{K_3} \text{ characterized by } \begin{aligned} \sqrt{6} &= x + iy && \text{cpx str.} \\ J &= z && \text{K\"ahler form} \\ (x, y, z) &\in H_2(3, 19), \quad x^2, y^2, z^2 > 0. \end{aligned}$$

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

Witten '95: conjectured theories =, much evidence.

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

$M_7 \rightarrow F_8$ : take K3 elliptic, sectn  $\mathbb{P}^{2,3,1}$  bds on  $\mathbb{P}^1$   
(w. moduli)

$$T^2 \rightarrow O$$

$$R_1 \rightarrow O \Rightarrow M \rightarrow IIA$$

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

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

(Kodaira condit.,  
 $\Rightarrow$  CY total space)

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

$$\Rightarrow M_{ell\ K3} = SO(2, 18; \mathbb{Z}) / SO(2) \times SO(18)$$

matching duality.

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

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## 3.6 K3

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

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

$$H_2(K3) = \Gamma^{9,19} = U \oplus U \oplus U \oplus (-E_8) \oplus (-E_8)$$

(2d cpx 5 c K3,  
 $\partial S = 0, S \neq \partial V$ )

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ex. orbifold  $T^4/\mathbb{Z}_2$

$(z_1, z_2) \rightarrow (-z_1, -z_2)$

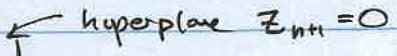
ex. quartic in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ :

[some alg. geometry: holomorphic line bundle  copy of  $\mathbb{C}$  @ each pt.  
sections  $\sim \psi(x)$  charged part wf, possibly globally  
e.g. mag monopole in  $S^2$ ]  
line bundle  $\leftrightarrow$  divisor (codim 1 vanishing loci of  $\psi$ )   
[alg. subvariety dim  $d-1$ ]

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

(f) divisor

Canonical class  $K_X = [(f)]$

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

$K_{CY} = 0$  defining characteristic of CY.

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

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

so far  $K_S = 0$ , want  $S = -K_X$ ! ]

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

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

F-theory hypothesis [Morrison/Vafa]: each Kodaira type  $\Rightarrow$  corresponding  $G_f$

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

$$\text{e.g. } E_8 \times E_8 : \begin{aligned} f &= A u^4 (u-1)^4 & (d_9 \cdot 8) \\ (u=0) \quad (u=1) \quad g &= u^5 (u-1)^5 (B + Cu + Du^2) & (d_9 \cdot 12) \end{aligned}$$

4-param model

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

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

$$I_n : [\Delta] = n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Can solve order by order} \quad f &= -3a + ()u + \dots \\ [\text{MT}] \quad g &= 2a + ()u + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Or Tate form [Borschadsky et al.]

$$y^2 + a_1 yx + a_3 y + x^3 + a_2 x^2 + a_4 x + a_6$$

deg	2	6	4	8	12	$\Delta$
In	0	$\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$	1	$\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor$	n	$2^4$

### 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 form 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 $Spin(7)$	hyperKähler $SU(4)$ $Spin(7)$	$3/16$ $1/8$ $1/16$

focuses on these

### 3.4 Nonabelian Gs in F-theory

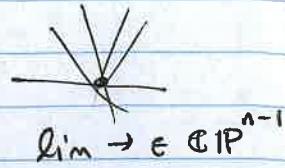
Beautiful work of Kodaira: classify codim 1 singularities of ell fibrations.  $\leftrightarrow$  ADE Dynkin diagrams (affine)

Singularity resolution:

blowing up a point is  $p \in \mathbb{C}^n$ :

replace w/  $\mathbb{CP}^{n-1}$

$p \rightarrow \{\text{lines through } p\}$



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

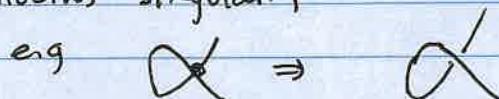
B

$\downarrow \pi \quad \pi^{-1}(p \neq 0) = p^*$

$\mathbb{C}^2 = \{x,y\} \quad \pi^{-1}(p=0) \cong \mathbb{CP}^1$

can describe in patches etc.

but smooth singularity



Kodaira classification

[e.g. Barth-Mukai-Peters, VandeVeen]

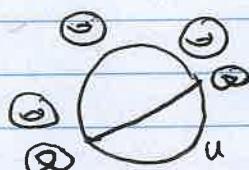
if  $\overset{x}{\downarrow}$   
 $D = \text{disc in } \mathbb{C}$  elliptic fibration,  $\pi^{-1}(u)$  smooth except  $\{u=0\}$

Classification of singular fibers  $\rightarrow$  Dynkin diagrams

ord f	ord g	ord A	type	ADE cl.	Figure
0	0	0	nonsing	-	-
0	0	1	I <sub>1</sub>	total space smooth	$\infty$
0	0	n	I <sub>n</sub>	$\tilde{A}_{n-1}$	
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 <sub>0</sub> *	$\hat{D}_4$	
2	3	(6+n)	I <sub>n</sub> *	$\hat{D}_{4+n}$	
3	4	8	III*	$\hat{E}_6$	
3	5	9	III*	$\hat{E}_7$	
4	5	10	II*	$\hat{E}_8$	
4	6	12	non resolution	-	-

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Standard Weierstrass form  $\{y^2 = x^3 + f(x/z^2) + g(z^4)\} \Rightarrow c$   
 can write addition law in  $C$ ]  $f, g \rightarrow j(\tau) = 1728 \cdot \frac{4f^3}{\Delta}$

Now fibo over  $P'$ 

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

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

$$C = -y^2 + x^3 + fx + g$$

$$\partial_y C = -2y$$

$$\partial_x C = 3x^2 + f$$

$$y=0 \Rightarrow x^3 + fx + g = 3x^2 + f = 0$$

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

### 8D F-theory

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

$$\pi: K3 \rightarrow B =$$

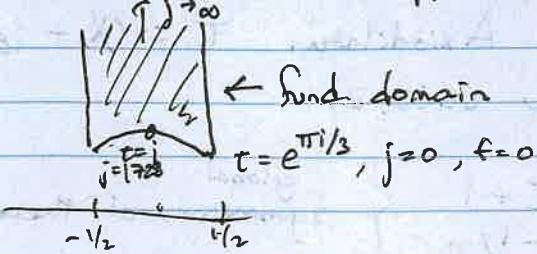
Total space: K3 surface ( $2D$  Calabi-Yau)  $\pi'(x) = E$   
 [more later]

Generically, 24 separate singular points.

$$G = U(1)^{20} \quad (\text{subthe: } U(1) \text{ on branes gauged away,} \\ 20. U(1) \text{ in } B_{\text{per}} \quad [\text{DPS}])$$

What happens when singularities come together?

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



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

$$\Rightarrow \tau = i \frac{2F_1(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{5}{6}, 1; \alpha)}{2F_1(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{5}{6}, 1; \alpha)} \quad (\tau, -1/2)$$

### 3.3 F-theory in 8D.

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

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

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

D7-brane:  $\cancel{\int_{\tau \rightarrow \tau+1}}$

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

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

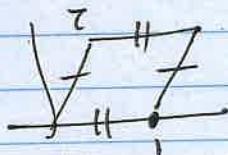
Compactify IIB on  $S^2$  ( $\mathbb{CP}^1$ ).



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

SUSY solution?

complex torus



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

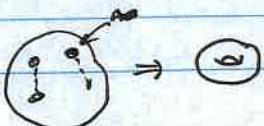
Alg geometric description  
 (as variety = alg. hypersurface)  
 in  $\mathbb{P}^2$

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

hypersurface

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

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



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

#### 3.1 8D SUGRA

[Lau, Minasian '21]

gravity multiplet  $(g_{\mu\nu}, \chi, B_{\mu\nu}, A_\mu)_{i=1,2}$

gauge multiplet  $(A_\mu, \phi)_{(6), (2) \text{ cpx}}$

signature  $(2,2)$ : 2 gauge multiplets

Global anomalies:  $\Rightarrow L = 2, 10, 18$  (?) [Manton / Vafa]

[1710.04218]

Garcia-Etxebarria et al.]

3.2 Metric cpt. (no orbifold):  $L = 18$

$$\mathbb{E}_8 \otimes \mathbb{E}_8 \subset \mathbb{R}^{18,2}$$

(Narain) Moduli space:  $M_{18,2} = \frac{\mathrm{SO}(18,2; \mathbb{R})}{\mathrm{SO}(18) \times \mathrm{SO}(2)}$

idea: move  $\Gamma \cap \mathrm{SO}(18,2)$ ; equivalences under  $\mathrm{SO}(18) \times \mathrm{SO}(2)$ , lattice automorphism --

$G: \Lambda_6 \subset \mathbb{Z}^{18,2}$  Not just  $\subset E_8 \times E_8$ , --

e.g.  $A_{18} \subset \mathbb{Z}^{18,2} \Rightarrow \mathrm{SU}(19) \text{ gp.}$

$$D_{18} \rightarrow \mathrm{SO}(36)$$

$$\mathbb{E}_6 \otimes \mathbb{E}_6 \otimes \mathbb{E}_6$$

} From Nikulin thms.

Generically,  $G = U(1)^{20}$  (2 from SUGRA multiplet;  $\mathrm{U}(1)_{(18,2) \text{ sy}}$ )

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

$\square$  shape  $\tau$ ; 1 size  $\mathbb{R}^{18,2}$ ;  $B_{12} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} g_{12} \\ 2 \text{ cpx} \end{array} \right.$

$\hookrightarrow$  Wilson lines  $A_i \in \mathfrak{U} \Rightarrow 16 \text{ cpx}$

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

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

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

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

Ex's: Root lattices of all ADE algebras all even sig (p,0)  
 e.g.  $A_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  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: cpt  $L$  on 16 dim even self-dual lattice  
 $\Rightarrow E_8 \times E_8$  or  $\Lambda_{16} \cong \text{spin}(32)/\mathbb{Z}_2$  !

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

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

$G_1$ : root lattice  $\Lambda_G = V_L \cap \Gamma^{16+k, k}$

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

$\oplus$  ADE lattices  $\subset \Gamma^{16+k, k}$

$\otimes U(1)', rk = 16+2k$ .

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

(ref. Nikulin: lattice embeddings ~)

solution

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

$[\alpha_m, \alpha_m^+] = i\pi \delta_{mm}, \alpha_m^+ = \alpha_{-m}$

$$= x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \ell_L (\tau + \sigma) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \ell_R (\tau - \sigma) + \dots \quad (\ell_L, \ell_R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (p \pm w))$$

$$\text{On } S^1: \omega = mR, p = \frac{n}{R}$$

$$\text{Define } \ell \cdot \ell = \ell_L^2 - \ell_R^2 = 2nm \in 2\mathbb{Z}.$$

$$\ell = (\ell_L, \ell_R)$$

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

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

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

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

massless fields:  $(\alpha_{-i}^m, \tilde{\alpha}_{-i}^m \pm \alpha_{-i}^n \alpha_{-i}^n) | \ell_L = \ell_R = 0 \rangle$

$$\Rightarrow g^{mn}, B^{mn}, \phi$$

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

$\Rightarrow$  extra  $A_\mu$  massless!

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

Lattices (ref: Conway + Sloane)

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

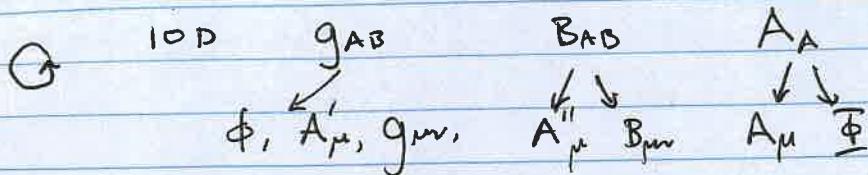
$$\bullet \Gamma = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^k n_i e_i, n_i \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} \quad (e_i \text{ lin. indep.})$$

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

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

## 2.2 Heterotic compactification on tori (16 Q's)

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



$$\text{e.g. } \begin{matrix} E_8 \times E_8 \\ (10D) \end{matrix} \longrightarrow \begin{matrix} E_8 \times E_8 \times U(1) \times U(1) \\ \downarrow \\ E_8 \times E_8 \times [U(1)^k \times U(1)^k] \end{matrix} \quad (9D) \quad (10-kD)$$

$$\text{rk } G = 16 + 2k = 36 - 2D$$

Φ: matter in adjoint rep.

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

Flat connections  $F_{μν} = 0 \Rightarrow$  locally  $A_μ \sim \phi$  by gauge transform  
(break  $G$ )

$$\Pi_1(T^d) \text{ nontrivial} \Rightarrow \text{flat conn} \quad A_i = \text{const} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} [A_i, A_j] = 0 \\ F = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu \neq 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad U = e^{i A_i 2\pi R_i} = \prod e^{i \int dx^i A_i}$$

breaks part of  $G$ .  $g^{-1} U g \neq U$ ,  $g$  broken.  $(m^2 A_\mu A^\mu - i f A_\mu, A_\nu)$

$A_i$  in Cartan  $\Rightarrow$  maintains rank.

(ref: Polchinski)

String states:

enhance  $G$ .

Simple bosonic string theory:

$$S \sim \frac{1}{2} \int d\sigma d\tau (\partial_\tau X \cdot \partial_\tau X - \partial_\sigma X \cdot \partial_\sigma X)$$

$$\text{Eom } (\partial_\tau^2 - \partial_\sigma^2) X = 0$$

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

### 2.1 Circle ( $S^1$ ) compactification

Kaluza-Klein:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 5D & g_{AB} & A, B = 0, \dots, 4 \\ \downarrow & & \\ 4D & A_\mu(g_{\mu\nu}), \phi(g_{\mu\nu}), g_{\mu\nu} & \end{array}$$

EH action  
EM + U(1) YM

[Einstein: metric GR + EM]

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} 11D \text{ SUGRA} & g_{\sigma\tau} & C_{ijk} & \text{membrane} & \\ s' \downarrow & \downarrow & \checkmark \downarrow & \begin{array}{c} \text{wrapped} \\ \text{unwrapped} \end{array} & \\ 10D \text{ IIA} & A_\mu, \phi, g_{\mu\nu} & B_{\mu\nu} & C_{\mu\nu\rho} & \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \text{string} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ D_2\text{-brane} \end{array} \end{array}$$

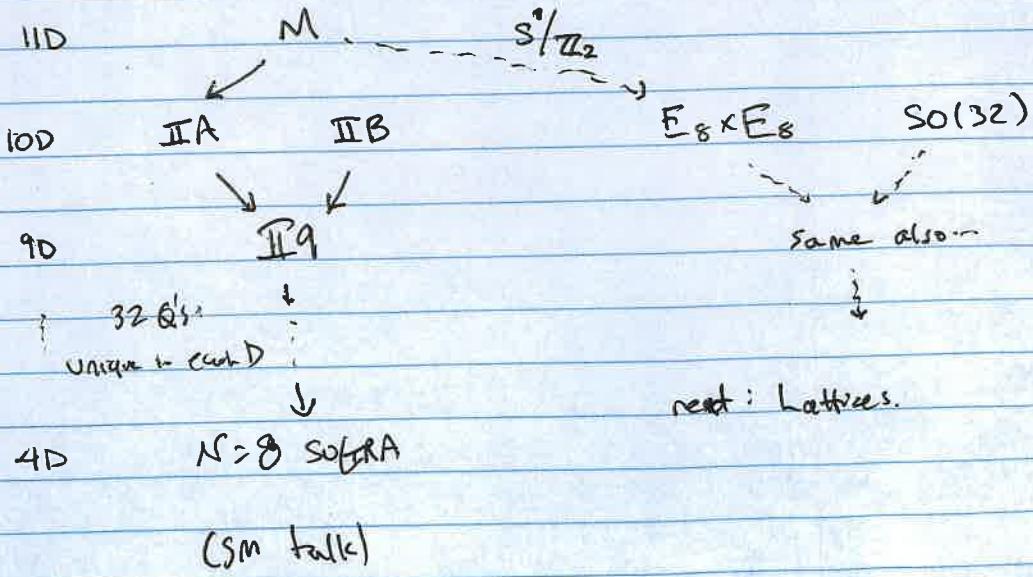
[in more detail, 11D M-theory: strong coupling [limit of IIA]]

(decompact-) lots recent work.

$$(\phi = g_{\alpha\beta}, g_{\sigma\tau} e^\phi)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} * & \begin{array}{c} 10D \text{ IIA} \\ \downarrow A_\mu, C_{\mu\nu} \xrightarrow{\text{rad } R} \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} 10D \text{ IIB} \\ \downarrow S^1 \xrightarrow{\text{rad } R} X, B_{\mu\nu}, D_m^+ \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} \text{9D } X, A, B, C, \dots \\ \Rightarrow \text{Same theory! ("T-duality")} \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} \text{M} \\ \text{M/R} \\ \text{monopole} \\ (2e^{im\pi/2\pi} \sim \frac{m}{R}) \end{array} \\ & & & & \begin{array}{c} \text{MR} \\ \text{string winding} \end{array} \end{array}$$

Big picture:



• 10D  $N=1$  SUGRA (type I SUGRA)

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{gravity multiplet} \\ 8_V \otimes (8_V \oplus 8') \\ \text{of } SO(8) \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \phi, g_{\mu\nu}, B_{\mu\nu}, \\ 1 \quad \underbrace{\frac{9-9}{2}-1}_{(35)} \quad 28 \\ 64 \end{array} \quad + \quad \begin{array}{c} \psi^M_\alpha, \psi_\alpha \\ 7-8 \quad 8 \\ \underbrace{64} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{gauge multiplet} \\ (8_V \oplus 8') \\ \text{gauge field} \\ (\text{can be NA}) \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} A_\mu \\ (8) \\ + \quad \chi_\alpha \\ (8') \end{array}$$

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

Witten: Anomalies ( $g_{\mu\nu}$ , gauge, mixed)  $\Rightarrow G$  broken @ quantum level  
 $(\dim 4k+2)$

$$\sim \partial^\mu j^\nu \propto F^\mu F^\nu \text{ in 4D}$$

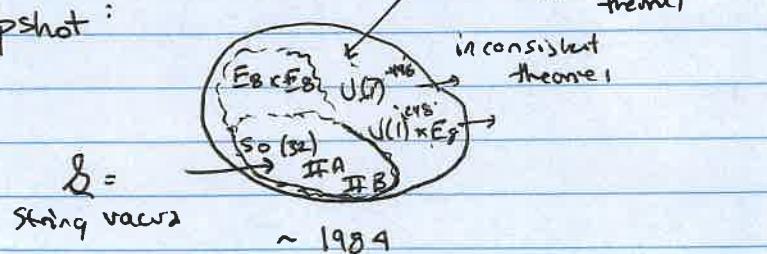
Green & Schwarz: canceled far  $\sim$

$$G = \boxed{Spn(32) / \mathbb{Z}_2 ("SO(32)"), E_8 \times E_8, \underbrace{E_8 \times U(1), U(1)}_{\substack{248 \\ 496}}}$$

heterotic string-thy

ADT!  $\times$  inconsistent

Upshot:



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

Goal: Understand theories in lower D

- Consistency from SUSY, anomalies, etc.

$\boxed{\text{• SUGRA/String compactifications}}$

← focus of remaining lectures.

[Gr ref:  
WT TAST  
notes]

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

- unique ~~theories~~ massless spectrum:  $g_{\mu\nu} + C_{\mu\nu\rho} + \text{ferm.}$
- 32 supercharges
- not a string theory (q couples to  $\int_{w\text{-line}} A_\mu$ , shift to  $\int_{w\text{-sheet}} B_{\mu\nu}$ )
- "M-theory" ~ membrane theory ( $\int_{w\text{-volume}} C_{\mu\nu\rho}$ ) [<sup>versus:</sup>  
dMM, BFSS]  
[excited states]
- discovered 1978, unified w/ string theory 1995 [Witten]
- low-E action:  $\frac{1}{2K_1} \int g (R - \frac{1}{2} G^2 \mp \frac{1}{6} C^\alpha C^\beta G_{\alpha\beta})$ ,  $G = dC$   
[ $G_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = \partial_\mu C_{\nu\rho\sigma}$ ]

~~Other classify SUGRA this is D=11, connect to KOV/string theory~~

### 1.2.2 10D SUGRA

Using similar techniques:

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

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

$\phi, g_{\mu\nu}, B_{\mu\nu}, A_\mu, C_{\mu\nu\rho}$   $\Rightarrow$  128 bosonic fields  
 64 (8) (56) (+128 fermions)  
 [ $\phi, \partial_\mu$ ]

same chirality  $\Rightarrow$  IIB self-dual

$\phi, g_{\mu\nu}, B_{\mu\nu}, \chi, \tilde{B}_{\mu\nu}, D_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$   $\Rightarrow$  128 + 128 b+f D0  
 (11) (128) (35) (D1, D3)

IIA, IIB unique as massless spectra;  
 both realized through quantum string theories,

$\int \sum B_{\mu\nu}$  [Dp-branes:  
 couple + p+1 f]

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## 4.2 Supergravity

Enhanced SUSY in 4D:

$\rightarrow$  [SM lecture]

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

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

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

### 1.2.1 11D SUGRA

problems: massless  $\rightarrow$  all spins.  
[no known interacting massless higher spin theory]

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

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

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## Key messages Putting it all together

- construct spinor repr w/ creation & annihilation ops

$$SO(N) \quad \{ \Gamma^i, \Gamma^j \} = 2\delta^{ij}$$

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

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

$$\forall a \quad \beta |-\rangle = 0$$

$$\beta \beta^+ |-\rangle = |-\rangle \Rightarrow \beta^+ |-\rangle = |+\rangle$$

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

$$[M_{2a-1, 2a}, \beta_a^+] = \beta_a^+$$

$\uparrow$

$S_a$ : carrier subalg.

(key recall  $SO(4) = U(2) \otimes SU(2)$ )

$$\Rightarrow \text{spin states } S_1, \dots, S_n \quad S_i \in \{\pm 1/2\}$$

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

$$\beta_1 = \Gamma_0 + \Gamma_1 \quad \beta_1^+ = \Gamma_0 - \Gamma_1 \quad (\xrightarrow{\text{Mink}} \text{no } i!)$$

$$\Gamma^1 \Gamma^0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow 1 + \Gamma^1 \Gamma^0 \quad \text{project } S_1 = +1/2$$

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

$$[b = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} Q] \quad b, b^\dagger \propto Q, Q^\dagger \sim \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ naive \& low } S_1.$$

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

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

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

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### 1.1.2 Poincaré gp

$SO(N)$ : in natural / fund rep,  $M$  preserves  $\delta_{ij}$  (Euc. inner prod)

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

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

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

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

- reps of Poincaré gp: classify particle state, & fields (e.g. Weinberg)
  - uses "little group" method: fix  $p^\mu$ . look @ rep. e.g.  $p = (p_0, \dots) \rightarrow$  spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  massless  $(p, p, 0, 0) \rightarrow$  helicity  $\frac{1}{2}$  massless  $E(d-2)$   $\downarrow$  spin

### 1.1.3 SUSY

extend Poincaré  $\Rightarrow$  Super Poincaré: introduce  $Q_\alpha$  spinor indices

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

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

Ex: 4D N=1 SUSY

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

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

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

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Thm (Dynkin) • highest wt labeled by  $\mu_\alpha \rightarrow (n_1, \dots, n_r)$

- state w/  $\lambda_\alpha > 0$  hit  $n_\alpha$  times by  $e^{-\alpha}$   $\Rightarrow$  new state,

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

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

- repr "spindle shaped"

e.g.  $SU(3)$

$$C_{ab} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$$(0, 1)$$

$$e^{-\alpha_1} \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow e^{-\alpha_2} \\ (-2, 2) \qquad \qquad (1, -1)$$

$$e^{-\alpha_1} \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow e^{-\alpha_2} \\ (-1, 0) \\ \downarrow \\ (0, -2)$$

$\square$  of  $SU(3)$   
 $\xleftrightarrow{\text{symm}}_{2-\text{index...}}$

Exercise  $SO(8)$  fund. rep

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

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

- important for physics + SUSY

- only reps not in  $\square$  for classical alg's.

$$SO(2N) \quad \begin{matrix} \circ & \circ & \cdots & \circ & 2^{N-1} \\ 2^N \binom{2N}{2} \cdots & & & & \circ \circ \circ \end{matrix}$$

dims of  
 $\cong$  reps (fund)

$$SO(2N+1) \quad \begin{matrix} \circ & \circ & \cdots & \circ & 2^N \\ 2^{N+1} \binom{2N+1}{2} \cdots & & & & \end{matrix}$$

Realization: use Clifford algebra  $\{\Gamma_i, \Gamma_j\} = \Gamma_i \Gamma_j + \Gamma_j \Gamma_i = 2 \delta_{ij} \mathbb{1}_{i,j=1,\dots,8}$

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

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 ( $\infty$ -dim) Lie algs.

- $M_{ADD} \neq M_{Lie\ alg}$   $\Rightarrow$  classification (pf: exercice)

DD, ADD useful in understanding

- equivalences e.g.  $\begin{matrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{matrix} \sim \begin{matrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{matrix} \sim SO(4) \sim SU(2) \times SU(2)$
- outer automorphisms of  $SO$  (from symmetry of DD)
- classify subgroups, reps.

Representations  $\text{Rep} \cong \text{rep}$   $g \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(g): H \rightarrow H$  assume unitary repr.  
Classification:  $g \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(g): H \rightarrow H$  (gp. hom)  
 $g: h \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(h) \quad (g \sim 1 + i\epsilon h)$   
reducible:  $\mathcal{D} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & D_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \forall g \in \text{focus on}$  ined. repr.

Classification

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

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

$\Rightarrow$   $e^\alpha$  move in weight space.

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

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

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

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$$\text{Cartan Matrix } C_{ab} = 2 \frac{\alpha_a \cdot \alpha_b}{\alpha_a \cdot \alpha_a} \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (\text{pf, detail, Gray})$$

$$\text{eq. } \text{SU}(3) \quad 2 \frac{\beta \cdot (-8)}{\beta^2} = -1, \quad C_{ab} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(finite-dim)

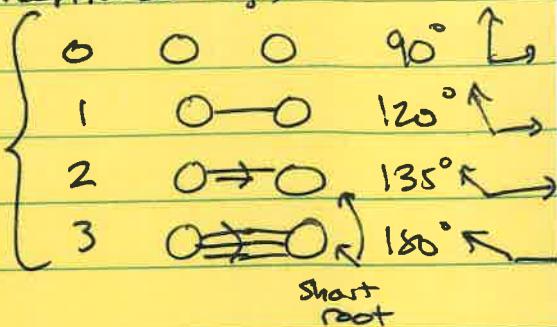
All simple cpt Lie algebras:

Shn, Son, Spzn (Classical)

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

Dynkin diagrams:

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



$$A_n \quad \begin{array}{c} \textcircled{1} \\[-1ex] \textcircled{2} \end{array} \quad \cdots \quad \begin{array}{c} \textcircled{n-1} \\[-1ex] \textcircled{n} \end{array} \quad su(n+1) \quad (\text{Lie algebra } \mathfrak{su})$$

$$B_n \quad \text{Diagram: } \begin{array}{ccccccc} & O & - & O & \cdots & O & - & O \\ & 1 & & 2 & & u-2 & & n-1 & \xrightarrow{\quad\quad\quad} & n \end{array} \quad SO(2n+1)$$

$$C_n \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} O & - & O & - & \cdots & O & - \\ \scriptstyle 1 & & \scriptstyle 2 & & & \scriptstyle n-2 & \scriptstyle n-1 \\ & & & & & & \scriptstyle n \end{array} \quad Sp(2n)$$

$$D_n \quad \begin{array}{c} \textcircled{1} \quad \textcircled{2} \quad \cdots \quad \textcircled{n-3} \quad \textcircled{n-2} \\ \textcircled{n} \end{array} \quad SO(zn)$$

$$E_6 \quad \text{---} \quad \textcircled{1} \quad \text{---} \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$F \rightarrow O-O \rightarrow O-O$$

$G_2$       ~~o~~

A hand-drawn diagram of a polymer chain. It consists of a horizontal line with several small circles representing monomer units. A vertical line extends upwards from the third circle from the left, ending in an open circle at the top.

ADE: Simply -laced  
- mostly focus on the

## A fine DD

$\tilde{A}_2$

$$\tilde{D}_n$$

ADE)

$\sim$   $C_2$

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## Cpt Lie groups &amp; algebras &amp; reps

ref. Georgi,  
SlanskyGroup:  $G = \{g\}$ 

$$gh \in G, (gh)_j = g(h_j), \exists 1: 1 \cdot g = g \cdot 1, \forall g \exists g^{-1} \\ \text{closed} \quad \text{assoc.} \quad (id) \quad gg^{-1} = g^{-1}g \\ (\text{inverse})$$

Lie gp:  $G$  is a manifold (locally  $\cong \mathbb{R}^n$ )

ex.  $SU(N) \quad UU^\dagger = 1, \det U = 1$

Lie algebra: local structure of Lie gp

$$G \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$$

$g \sim 1 + i \epsilon A$

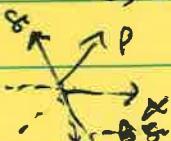
 $[A, B]$ : closed, linear in  $A, B$ , antisymmetric  $[A, B] = -[B, A]$ 

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

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

Physics: Lie gp  $\leftrightarrow$  gauge symm (+ global)  $(U(1), SU(2), SU(3)).$ Note: multiple  $G \rightarrow$  some  $\mathfrak{g}$  (e.g.  $SU(2) \xleftarrow{SU(2)} SO(3) \cong SU(2)/\mathbb{Z}_2$ )matter: in representation of  $G, \mathfrak{g}$ (rep  $G \rightarrow$  rep  $\mathfrak{g}$ )  $\Rightarrow$  suff to classify repr of  $\mathfrak{g}$  + easier  
(no nonzero [no properties])

- Classification of simple Lie algebras (simple: nonabelian, no factors (cpt  $\Rightarrow$  all irreps finite dim))

i) Cartan subalgebra  $[h_i, h_j] = 0$ 
 $\mathfrak{h}_0$   
Spanned by  $h_1, \dots, h_m$   
 $i=1, \dots, m$   
( $m$  max)  
rank
(irreducible repr.)  
 $\text{no } \frac{1}{2}(\alpha_i, \alpha_j)$ ii) Diagonalize in adjoint rep.  $[h_i, e_\alpha] = \alpha_i e_\alpha \quad \underline{\alpha}: \text{roots}$   
positivesimple roots:  $\alpha = (0, 0, \dots, 0, \alpha_i > 0, \dots)$ simple roots:  $\alpha > 0, \alpha \neq \beta + \gamma \quad \beta, \gamma > 0$ ex.  $SU(3)$  $\beta, -\gamma$  simple roots.

### 1.1.1 Compact

- Super symmetry

- Pinch symmetry

- Gauge symmetries: CPT Lie groups (also relevant for E-theory groups)

Relevant symmetries:

→ 10D Supergravity  
[with dimensions written vertically]

4D Particle (electrons, bosons, photons, gluons)

AG is a hard problem. → Add symmetry!

1.1 Symmetries

1. Tools + 10D/10D SUGRA

4th force: gravity - not just a QFT!

- GR (+ sm) perturbatively non-renormalizable
- symmetry: diffeomorphism invariance  
 $\Rightarrow$  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 Sugra: membranes
- AdS/CFT: QG = CFT in specific asymptotic geometries

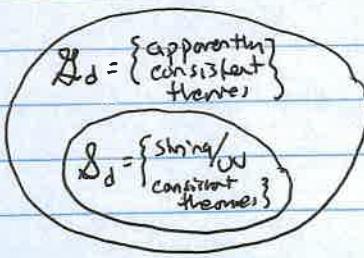
(Super) string theory: natural definition in 10D ( $\rightarrow$  11D)  
 $\rightarrow$  SUGRA is low-energy EFT.  
 $\Rightarrow$  theories in lower dim. by "compactification"

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

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

String theory / Quantum Gravity imposes constraints on LowE physics  
(cf. Montes lectures)

Theory space  
(e.g. GvD, susy)



Inconsistent  
theories  
(anomalies)

$\mathcal{S}_d = \mathcal{L}_d$ ?  
string universality

These lectures: Explore  $\mathcal{S}_d$  through geometric compactifications of SUGRA  
- Focus on tools, principles.  
(little string theory)

- many details: chiral matter, sss, etc..

$$[ \text{some metric} ] \quad (F_{\mu\nu} = A_{\mu\nu} + iB_{\mu\nu}) \quad (\text{kinetic}, \text{curv}) \quad (\text{Yukawa})$$

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

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

- Matter: quarks, leptons + transform under  $G_1$  (reps)
  - fermions
  - scalars
  - $(u, d, \dots), (e, \nu_e, \dots)$

- Gauge fields  $A^\mu$ , group  $G = SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$  ( $\mathbb{Z}_6$ )
  - electric weak
  - strong
  - boson

CFT describes the observed Standard Model  
of particle physics

## O. The

1. Basic tools, SUGRA in 11D, 10D
2. Compactification
3. 8D & 7D SUGRA & compactification
4. 10D  $M=1$  SUGRA & cpt.
5. 4D  $M=1$  F-theory & orbifolds

o. Taylor lecture at TSIMF, January 2025  
1st/2nd year winter school in Santa Barbara, and Cambridge

Supergauge and string/F-theory compactifications  
in various dimensions