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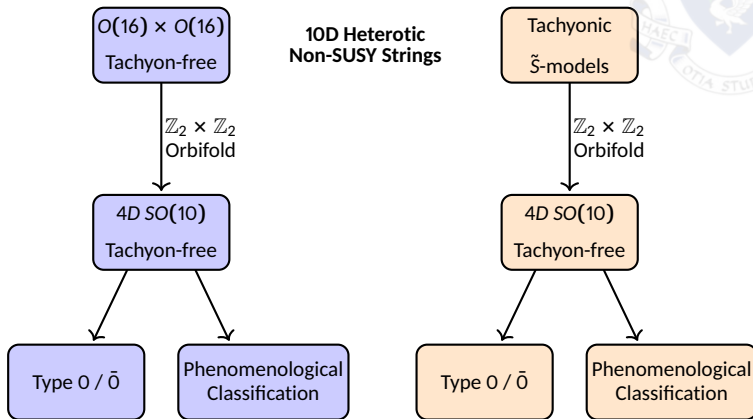
Non-SUSY String Phenomenology from $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ Heterotic Orbifolds

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Overview: Non-SUSY $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ Orbifold Landscape



Tachyonic 10D Heterotic: $SO(32)$, $O(16) \times E_8$, $O(8) \times O(24)$, $(E_7 \times SU_2)^2$, $U(16)$, E_8 [1, 2]
Type 0 10D strings: Type 0A/B, 8 Pin⁻ ([3])

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Free Fermion Construction I



- Worldsheet CFT construction of heterotic string defined at enhanced symmetry point in moduli space [4].
- $D = 10 \implies$ introduction of free fermions on worldsheet

$$\underbrace{\{\psi^\mu, \chi^{i=1,\dots,6}\}}_{\substack{\text{S'partners} \\ \text{of } \chi^\mu}} \parallel \underbrace{\{\bar{\psi}^{1,2,3,4,5}, \bar{\eta}^{1,2,3}\}}_{\substack{\text{rank 8} \\ \text{Observable G. G.}}} , \underbrace{\{\bar{\phi}^{1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8}\}}_{\substack{\text{rank 8} \\ \text{Hidden G. G.}}} \quad (1)$$

- Reduction to $D = 4 \implies$ introduction of

$$\{y^i, w^i \parallel \bar{y}^i, \bar{w}^i\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, 6 \quad (2)$$

\longleftrightarrow fermionised coordinates of internal T^6 such that $i\partial X_L^i = y^i w^i$.

Free Fermion Construction II



- 1-loop partition function (vacuum \rightarrow vacuum amplitude) sufficient to get M.I. constraints and consistent 10D models.
- 2 ingredients for Model:
 1. N boundary Condition basis vectors

$$v_i = \{\alpha(f_1), \alpha(f_2), \dots, \alpha(f_n)\}, \quad (3)$$

where $\alpha(f) = 0 \implies NS$ and $\alpha(f) = 1 \implies R$.

2. GGSO phases

$$c \begin{bmatrix} v_i \\ v_j \end{bmatrix} = \pm 1 \text{ or } \pm i, \quad i > j \quad (4)$$

modular invariance $\implies 2^{N(N-1)/2}$ independent coefficients.

Free Fermion Construction III



- GSO projections to derive Hilbert space:

$$\mathcal{H} = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \Xi} \prod_{i=1}^N \left\{ e^{i\pi v_i \cdot F_\alpha} |S_\alpha\rangle = \delta_\alpha C \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ v_i \end{pmatrix}^* |S_\alpha\rangle \right\} \mathcal{H}_\alpha \quad (5)$$

- The v_i span Ξ and sectors, α , are their linear combinations.
- Sectors characterised according to mass level:

$$M_L^2 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\xi_L \cdot \xi_L}{8} + N_L \quad (6)$$
$$M_R^2 = -1 + \frac{\xi_R \cdot \xi_R}{8} + N_R$$

where N_L and N_R sum over any oscillators.

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10D Heterotic Strings

- $E_8 \times E_8$ and $O(16) \times O(16)$ [5] heterotic-models have common basis vectors:

$$\begin{aligned}v_1 = \mathbb{1} &= \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{1,\dots,6} \parallel \bar{\eta}^{1,2,3}, \bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}, \bar{\phi}^{1,\dots,8}\}, \\v_2 = z_1 &= \{\bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}, \bar{\eta}^{1,2,3}\}, \\v_3 = z_2 &= \{\bar{\phi}^{1,\dots,8}\},\end{aligned}\tag{7}$$

distinguished by GGSO phase: $C\begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \pm 1$

- SUSY vector:

$$S = \mathbb{1} + z_1 + z_2 = \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{1,\dots,6}\}\tag{8}$$



10D Tachyonic String

- Consider map [6, 7]:

$$S \mapsto \tilde{S} = \{ \psi^\mu, \chi^{1,\dots,6} \parallel \bar{\phi}^{3,4,5,6} \} \quad (9)$$

- Model with $\{1, \tilde{S}\}$ can relate to $O(8) \times O(24)$ tachyonic heterotic string, see [1].
- No massless gravitinos, and untwisted tachyonic states:

$$|0\rangle_L \otimes \bar{\phi}^{3,4,5,6} |0\rangle_R \quad (10)$$

are invariant under \tilde{S} .

- Goal: find tachyon-free \tilde{S} -models in $D = 4$.

Viable Standard-like \tilde{S} -Model

- In [7] (arXiv:1912.00061) $S \mapsto \tilde{S}$ applied to phenomenologically viable, supersymmetric model of [9] (arXiv:0802.0470).
- Untwisted moduli field Thirring interactions have the general form

$$J^i(z)J^j(\bar{z}) =: y^i w^j :: \bar{y}^j \bar{w}^i : \quad \text{or} \quad : y^i w^j :: \bar{\Phi}^j \bar{\Phi}^{*j} :, \quad j = 1, \dots, 22. \quad (11)$$

All projected via asymmetric BCs for $\{y, w \mid \bar{y}, \bar{w}\}^{1, \dots, 6} \longleftrightarrow$ non-geometric orbifolding.

- [9] argued twisted moduli fixed by absence of exact supersymmetric flat directions. Internal space not affected by $S \mapsto \tilde{S}$.



The Model

Basis vectors: $\overline{\text{NAHE}} + \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$

$$1 = \{\text{ALL}\}$$

$$\tilde{S} = \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{1,\dots,6} \parallel \bar{\phi}^{3,4,5,6}\}$$

$$b_1 = \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{12}, y^{3,4,5,6} \parallel \bar{y}^{3,4,5,6}, \bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}, \bar{\eta}^1\}$$

$$b_2 = \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{34}, y^{1,2}, w^{5,6} \parallel \bar{y}^{1,2}, \bar{w}^{5,6}, \bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5} \bar{\eta}^2\}$$

$$b_3 = \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{56}, w^{1,2,3,4} \parallel \bar{w}^{1,2,3,4}, \bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5} \bar{\eta}^3, \}$$

$$\alpha = \{y^{3,6}, \bar{y}^{3,6}, w^6 \bar{w}^6, \bar{y}^1 \bar{w}^5, \bar{\psi}^{1,2,3}, \bar{\eta}^1, \bar{\phi}^{1,2}\}$$

$$\beta = \{y^{5,5}, \bar{y}^{3,6}, y^1 w^5, \bar{y}^1 \bar{w}^5, \bar{\psi}^{1,2,3}, \bar{\eta}^2, \bar{\phi}^{3,4}\}$$

$$\gamma = \{y^4 \bar{y}^4, y^2 \bar{y}^2, \bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5} = \bar{\eta}^{1,2,3} = \bar{\phi}^{5,6,7,8} = \frac{1}{2}\}$$

GSO phases:

	1	\tilde{S}	b_1	b_2	b_3	α	β	γ
1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	i
\tilde{S}	1	1	1	1	1	-1	-1	i
b_1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	i
b_2	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	1	i
b_3	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	1	-1	1
α	-1	-1	-1	-1	1	1	1	1
β	-1	1	-1	1	-1	-1	1	1
γ	-1	-1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-i

G.G: $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_C \times U(1)_L \times U(1)_{1,2,3} \times U(1)_{4,5,6} \times SU(2)_{1,\dots,6} \times U(1)_{7,8}$

- Tachyon-free, 3 generations, Higgs content, TQMC, (potentially) stable... \implies Justifies further investigation of models derived from 10D tachyonic vacuum.

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\tilde{S} vs S 4D SO(10) Models



\tilde{S} -models:

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= \{\text{ALL}\} \\
 \tilde{S} &= \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{1,\dots,6} \parallel \tilde{\phi}^{3,4,5,6}\} \\
 e_i &= \{y^i, w^i \parallel \tilde{y}^i, \tilde{w}^i\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, 6 \\
 b_1 &= \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{12}, y^{34}, y^{56} \parallel \tilde{y}^{34}, \tilde{y}^{56}, \tilde{\eta}^1, \tilde{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}\} \quad (12) \\
 b_2 &= \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{34}, y^{12}, y^{56} \parallel \tilde{y}^{12}, \tilde{y}^{56}, \tilde{\eta}^2, \tilde{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}\} \\
 b_3 &= \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{56}, y^{12}, y^{34} \parallel \tilde{y}^{12}, \tilde{y}^{34}, \tilde{\eta}^3, \tilde{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}\} \\
 z_1 &= \{\tilde{\phi}^{1234}\}
 \end{aligned}$$

- $SO(10) \times U(1)^3 \times SO(4)^4$ untwisted gauge group
- SUSY explicitly broken by $S \rightarrow \tilde{S}$
- $2^{12(12-1)/2} = 2^{66}$ independent phases: $C_{[v_n]}^{[v_m]}, m > n$

S-models:

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= \{\text{ALL}\} \\
 S &= \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{1,\dots,6}\} \\
 e_i &= \{y^i, w^i \parallel \tilde{y}^i, \tilde{w}^i\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, 6 \\
 b_1 &= \{\chi^{3456}, y^{34}, y^{56} \parallel \tilde{y}^{34}, \tilde{y}^{56}, \tilde{\eta}^1, \tilde{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}\} \quad (13) \\
 b_2 &= \{\chi^{1256}, y^{12}, y^{56} \parallel \tilde{y}^{12}, \tilde{y}^{56}, \tilde{\eta}^2, \tilde{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}\} \\
 z_1 &= \{\tilde{\phi}^{1,2,3,4}\} \\
 z_2 &= \{\tilde{\phi}^{5,6,7,8}\}
 \end{aligned}$$

- $SO(10) \times U(1)^3 \times SO(8)^2$ untwisted gauge group
- SUSY broken by GSO phase
- Independent phases: $2^{66} - 2^{66-8}$

$$\left\{ C_{[v_n]}^{[v_m]} \mid \neg \left(C_{[e_i]}^{[S]} = C_{[z_1]}^{[S]} = C_{[z_2]}^{[S]} = -1 \right) \right\} \quad (14)$$

$\forall i \in \{1, \dots, 6\}$ and $m > n$.



SO(10) Tachyonic Analysis I

- On-shell tachyons will arise when

$$M_L^2 = M_R^2 < 0, \quad (15)$$

- Same 126 Level-matched tachyonic sectors for SO(10) S and \tilde{S} -models

Mass Level	Vectorials	Spinorials
$(-1/2, -1/2)$	$\{\bar{\lambda}^m\} NS\rangle$	$ z_1\rangle, z_2\rangle$
$(-3/8, -3/8)$	$\{\bar{\lambda}^m\} e_i\rangle$	$ e_i + z_1\rangle, e_i + z_2\rangle$
$(-1/4, -1/4)$	$\{\bar{\lambda}^m\} e_i + e_j\rangle$	$ e_i + e_j + z_1\rangle, e_i + e_j + z_2\rangle$
$(-1/8, -1/8)$	$\{\bar{\lambda}^m\} e_i + e_j + e_k\rangle$	$ e_i + e_j + e_k + z_1\rangle, e_i + e_j + e_k + z_2\rangle$

$i \neq j \neq k = 1, \dots, 6$ and $m = 1, \dots, 22$.

- Conditions on absence/survival under GSO projections of these tachyonic sectors listed in [12] (arXiv:2006.11340) for \tilde{S} and in [13] for S-models.

\tilde{S} vs S Massless Sectors

\tilde{S} -Models:

- 16's of $SO(10)$ arise from:

$$B_{pqrs}^{(1)F} = b_1 + pe_3 + qe_4 + re_5 + se_6$$

$$B_{pqrs}^{(2)F} = b_2 + pe_1 + qe_2 + re_5 + se_6$$

$$B_{pqrs}^{(3)F} = b_3 + pe_1 + qe_2 + re_3 + se_4$$

$p, q, r, s = 0, 1$.

- \tilde{S} -map makes bosonic counterparts massive.
- Vectorial 10's of $SO(10)$ arise through map

$$\tilde{x} = b_1 + b_2 + b_3 = \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{1,\dots,6} \parallel \tilde{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}, \tilde{\eta}^{1,2,3}\} \sim S + x$$

$$V_{pqrs}^{(1,2,3)B} = B_{pqrs}^{(1,2,3)F} + \tilde{x} \quad (16)$$

- i.e.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B^{(1,2,3)F} & & \\ & \searrow \tilde{x} & \\ & & V^{(1,2,3)B} \end{array}$$

S-Models:

- 16's of $SO(10)$ arise from:

$$B_{pqrs}^{(1)F} = S + b_1 + pe_3 + qe_4 + re_5 + se_6$$

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$$B_{pqrs}^{(3)F} = S + b_3 + pe_1 + qe_2 + re_3 + se_4$$

$p, q, r, s = 0, 1$.

- Vectorial 10's of $SO(10)$ arise through map

$$x = 1 + S + \sum_{i=1}^6 e_i + \sum_{k=1}^2 z_k = \{\tilde{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}, \tilde{\eta}^{1,2,3}\}.$$

$$V_{pqrs}^{(1,2,3)B} = S + B_{pqrs}^{(1,2,3)F} + x \quad (17)$$

- i.e.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B^{(1,2,3)F} & \xrightarrow{S} & B^{(1,2,3)B} \\ \downarrow x & \searrow S+x & \\ V^{(1,2,3)F} & & V^{(1,2,3)B} \end{array}$$

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Partition Function and Cosmological Constant



- Full PF

$$Z = \int_{\mathcal{F}} \frac{d^2\tau}{\tau_2^2} Z_B \sum_{\alpha, \beta} c \left[\begin{smallmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{smallmatrix} \right] \prod_f Z \left[\begin{smallmatrix} \alpha(f) \\ \beta(f) \end{smallmatrix} \right] = \sum_{n, m} a_{mn} \int_{\mathcal{F}} \frac{d^2\tau}{\tau_2^3} q^m \bar{q}^n =: \sum_{m, n} a_{mn} I_{mn}. \quad (18)$$

($Z_B = \frac{1}{\tau_2} \frac{1}{\eta^2 \bar{\eta}^2}$) On-shell tachyon divergences:

$$I_{mn} = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{if } m+n < 0 \wedge m-n \notin \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\} \\ \text{Finite} & \text{Otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (19)$$

- $N_b^0 = N_f^0$ interesting configurations. $\mathcal{O}(10^3)$ found in [12] for $SO(10)$ \tilde{S} -models.
- In forthcoming PS classification [13] S and \tilde{S} configuration with $N_b^0 = N_f^0$ are found.

Classification Stats

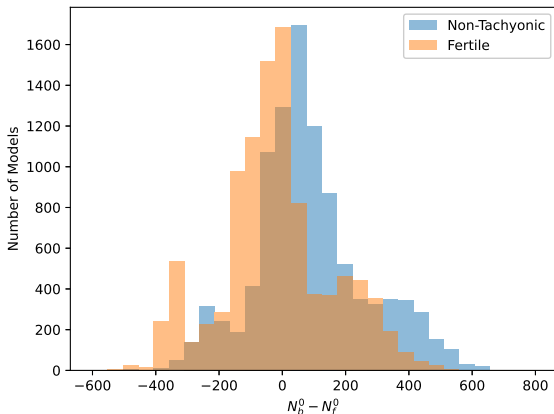


- Phenomenological statistics from sample of 2×10^9 SO(10) \tilde{S} -models.

	Constraints	Total models in sample	Probability
	No Constraints	2×10^9	1
(1)	+ Tachyon-Free	10741667	5.37×10^{-3}
(2)	+ No Observable Enhancements	10741667	5.37×10^{-3}
(3)	+ No Hidden Enhancements	9921843	4.96×10^{-3}
(4)	+ $N_{16} - N_{\overline{16}} \geq 6$	69209	3.46×10^{-5}
(5)	+ $N_{10} \geq 1$	69013	3.45×10^{-5}
(6)	+ $a_{00} = N_b^0 - N_f^0 = 0$	3304	1.65×10^{-6}

Distribution of $a_{00} = N_b^0 - N_f^0$ for \tilde{S} -models

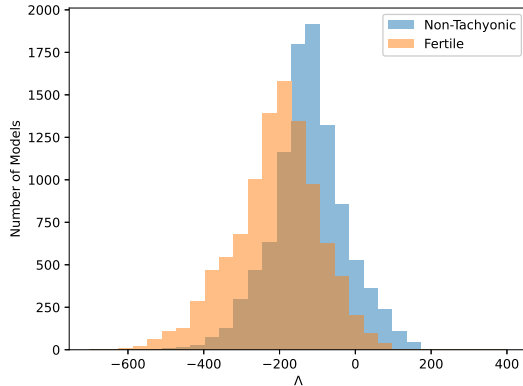
- Distribution of the constant term $a_{00} = N_b^0 - N_f^0$ for a sample of 10^4 non-tachyonic and 10^4 fertile models ($N_{16} - N_{\overline{16}} \geq 6$, $N_{10} \geq 1$)





Distribution of Λ for \tilde{S} -models

- Distribution of the cosmological constant for a sample of 10^4 non-tachyonic and 10^4 fertile models



Notable Model with $N_b^0 = N_f^0$

- \tilde{S} -model defined by

$$C \begin{bmatrix} v_i \\ v_j \end{bmatrix} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & \tilde{S} & e_1 & e_2 & e_3 & e_4 & e_5 & e_6 & b_1 & b_2 & b_3 & z_1 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ \tilde{S} \\ e_1 \\ e_2 \\ e_3 \\ e_4 \\ e_5 \\ e_6 \\ b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ z_1 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

has $N_{16} = 7$, $N_{\overline{16}} = 1$ and $N_{10} = 8$. And the PF is (20)

$$Z = \underbrace{2q^0 \bar{q}^{-1}}_{\text{Proto-graviton}} + \underbrace{0 q^0 \bar{q}^0}_{\text{No constant term}} - 288 q^{1/8} \bar{q}^{1/8} - 4512 q^{1/4} \bar{q}^{1/4} - 9808 q^{3/8} \bar{q}^{3/8} + \dots, \quad (21)$$

hence $N_b^0 = N_f^0$ and $\Lambda = -149.77$ ($\Lambda_{ST} = -\frac{1}{2(2\pi)^4} M_{\text{String}}^4 \Lambda$).

No Heavy Higgs for \tilde{S} Models(?)



- Absence of $B^{(1,2,3)B}$ for \tilde{S} PS models means no $n_{4R}^B - n_{4R}^B$ PS breaking Higgs.
- No other suitable scalars in model [19].
- \implies No missing partner mechanism either
- SLMs (maybe) only viable $SO(10)$ subgroup for \tilde{S} ($SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)^2$)
- \implies PS \tilde{S} classification only schematic

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Type 0 $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ Heterotic Orbifold



- Type 0 models where all massless fermion absent from spectrum explored in [17]
- In [18] (arXiv:2010.06637) we proved their existence in the space of $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ orbifolds.
- All such examples contain physical tachyons at the free fermionic point in the moduli space
- Using analysis of [20] (arXiv:1680.04582) may be tachyon-free away from FF point
- May be instrumental in exploring string dynamics in early universe cosmology(?)



Type 0 Example

- Taking a minimal \tilde{S} -derived basis $\{\mathbf{1}, \tilde{S}, b_1^B, b_2^B, b_3^B, z_1, x\}$ and conditions on the 9 phases $C_{[v_j]}^{[v_i]}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_{[x]}^{[\tilde{S}]} &= 1, & C_{[x]}^{[z_1]} &= 1, & C_{[b_1]}^{[z_1]} &= C_{[b_2]}^{[z_1]} = C_{[b_3]}^{[z_1]} = 1 \\
 C_{[b_1]}^{[\tilde{S}]} &= -C_{[b_2]}^{[\tilde{S}]} C_{[b_3]}^{[\tilde{S}]}, & C_{[1]}^{[x]} &= C_{[b_1]}^{[x]} C_{[b_2]}^{[x]} C_{[b_3]}^{[x]}, \\
 C_{[b_3]}^{[b_2]} &= -C_{[b_2]}^{[\tilde{S}]} C_{[b_2]}^{[b_1]}, & C_{[b_1]}^{[b_3]} &= -C_{[b_2]}^{[\tilde{S}]} C_{[b_3]}^{[\tilde{S}]} C_{[b_2]}^{[b_1]}
 \end{aligned}$$

Find 4094 (2^{21-9}) versions of same type 0 model (no fermionic states)

$$Z = 2q^0 \bar{q}^{-1} + 16q^{-1/2} \bar{q}^{-1/2} + 4264 + 45056q^{1/4} \bar{q}^{1/4} + \dots \quad (22)$$

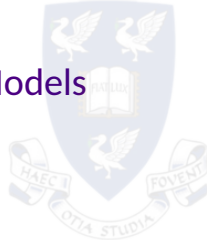
- Many more such type 0 models found in generalised bases for \tilde{S} and S in [18]
- We also studied the Misaligned SUSY in this class of models

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Type $\bar{0}$: No Massless Twisted Boson Models



- Counterpart of type 0: no twisted massless bosons.
- We find tachyon-free Type $\bar{0}$ vacua in [26] (In Prep.) for S and \tilde{S} 4D constructions.
- Exhibit maximal gauge group enhancement and spinorial **16** sectors absent.
- Large abundance of massless fermions \implies applications for dS cosmology(?)

Conclusion

- Tachyonic 10D string viable starting point for string pheno.
- Potentially stable \tilde{S} -models found from asymmetric orbifolding for SLM subgroup.
- Tools for exploring the cosmological constant and $N_b^0 - N_f^0$ for Non-SUSY string developed.
- Existence of 2 extremes in string spectrum of $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ Heterotic Orbifolds: Type 0 and Type $\bar{0}$.
- Perhaps promising configurations for cosmological scenarios
- More work to be done seeing how these rogue string theories (tachyonic 10D, type 0...) link to wider duality web [27]
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