

# Towards Realistic Matter Spectra in F-theory

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- ⇒ How can we control the vector-like spectra in F-theory?

# Outline

- ① Chiral and vector-like spectra in F-theory
- ② Vector-like spectra in realistic F-theory geometries:
  - The appearance of root bundles.
  - Limit roots constructions.
- ③ Apply limit roots constructions to realistic F-theory geometry.
- ④ Outlook and strategy.

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- F-theory [Krause Mayrhofer Weigand '12], [Cvetič Klevers Mayorga Oehlmann Reuter '15], [Lin Weigand '16], [Cvetič Lin Liu Oehlmann '18], [Cvetič Halverson Lin Liu Tian '19], [Taylor Turner '19], [Raghuram Taylor Turner '19], ...

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- $$\text{chiral} \leftrightarrow h^0(C_R, \mathcal{L}_R), \quad \text{anti-chiral} \leftrightarrow h^1(C_R, \mathcal{L}_R).$$

$\chi = h^0 - h^1$  is topological invariant, and only depends on  $G_4 \in H^{2,2}(\hat{Y}_4, \mathbb{Z})$ .

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$$L_R^{\otimes \bar{K}_{B_3}^3} = \mathcal{L}_R.$$

i.e.,  $L_R$  is a (special)  $\bar{K}_{B_3}^3$ -root of  $\mathcal{L}_R$ .

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- Nodal curve  $\leftrightarrow$  locally looks like  $x \cdot y = 0$ .

# Root bundles on a realistic F-theory geometry $(Y_1 = V(s_3, s_5, s_9))$

curve	$g$	$\mathcal{L}$	$d$	BN-theory		
$C_{(3,2)_{1/6}} = V(s_3, s_9)$	10	$\mathcal{L}_{(3,2)_{1/6}}^{\otimes 36} = K_{C_{(3,2)_{1/6}}}^{\otimes 24}$	12	$h^0$	$h^1$	$\rho$
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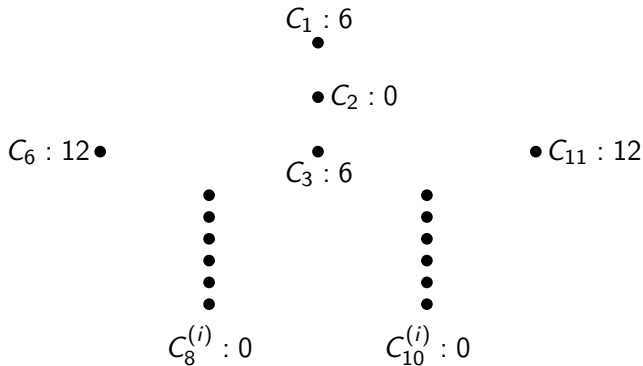
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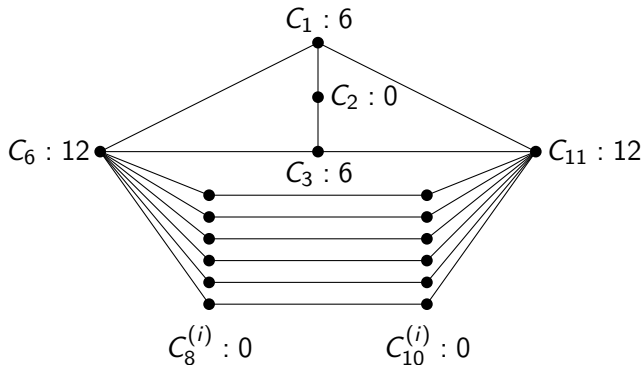
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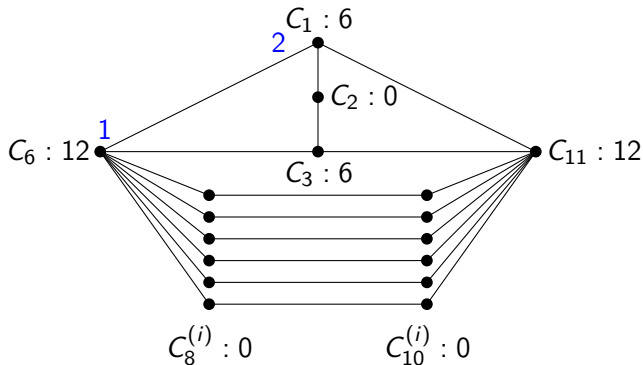
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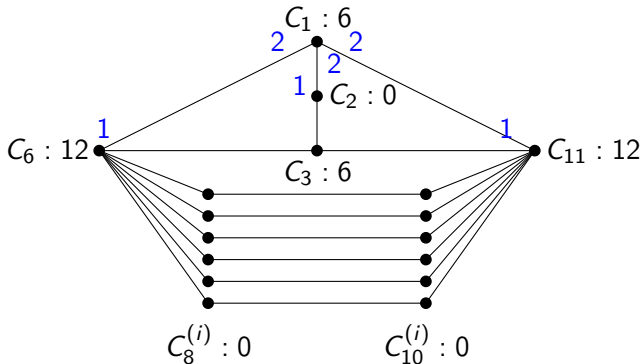
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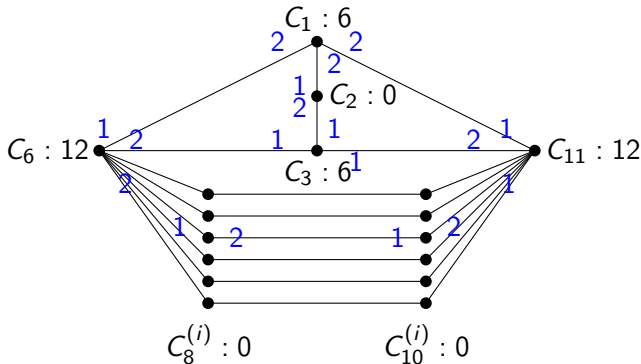
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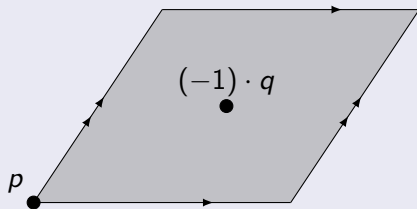
- We conclude that the number of global sections is given by the sum of local sections as followed:

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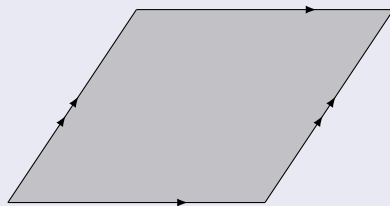
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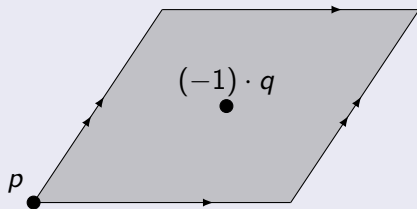
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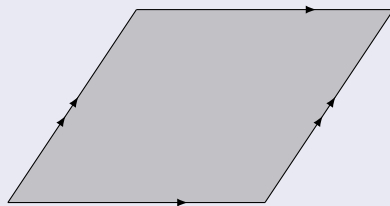
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Thanks for your attention!