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Grand Unified Models from Strings on Orbifolds

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GRAND UNIFICATION IN FOUR AND MORE DIMENSIONS

- GUTs in $D=4$

motivation, symmetries,
proton decay

- GUTs in $D \geq 4$

orbifolds, symmetry breaking,
phenomenology

- Strings on orbifolds

geometry of symm. breaking and
zero modes

(1) GUTs in $D=4$ *

Motivation: the structure of the SM, its gauge group

$$G_{SM} = SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$$

with the $SU(2)$ Higgs doublets H_1, H_2 , and the quarks and leptons

$$q_L = \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix}, u_R^c, d_R^c; \quad l_L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ e_L \end{pmatrix}, e_R^c, (\nu_R^c),$$

which come in 3 generations, suggests the embedding in a unified group:

$$G_{SM} \subset SU(5) \quad \text{or} \quad SU(4) \times SU(2) \times SU(2)$$

$$\subset SO(10)$$

$$\subset E_6, \dots$$

* cf. S. Raby, PDG, <http://pdg.lbl.gov/>

Remarkably, matter fields are in complete
GUT representations, i.e., for $SU(5)$,

$$\underline{10} = (q_L, u_R^c, e_R^c), \quad \underline{5}^* = (d_R^c, l_L), \quad (\underline{1} = \nu_R^c),$$

or for the Pati-Salam group $SU(4) \times SU(2) \times SU(2)$,

$$(4, 2, 1) = (q_L, l_L), \quad (4^*, 1, 2) = (u_R^c, d_R^c, \underline{\nu}_R^c, e_R^c);$$

all quarks and leptons of one generation are
unified in a single multiplet for $SU(10)$:

$$\underline{16} = \underline{10} + \underline{5}^* + \underline{1} = (4, 2, 1) + (4^*, 2, 1)$$

The GUT group $SU(10)$ is singled out;
for larger groups, unknown 'matter' is
needed, e.g., 27 of E_6

NOTE: Higgs and gauge fields are split
multiplets (unknown fields have to be added
to form GUT reps; just bosons for use-SUSY)

'Exceptional sequence' of groups

cf. D. Olive '81, ...

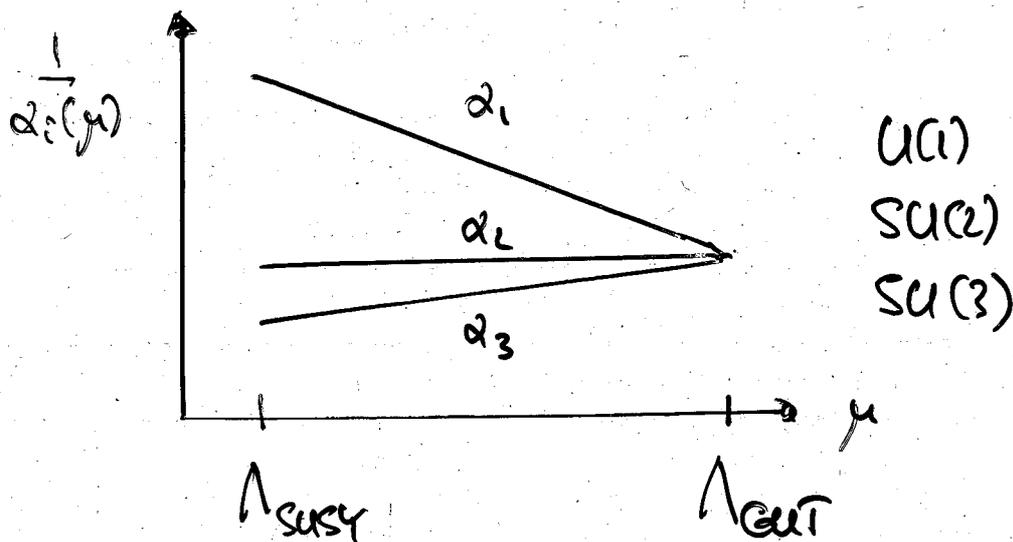
Group E_n	Diagram	Coset space $E_{n+1}/E_n \times U(1)$
$E_3 = SU_3 \times SU(2)$		$(3, 2) + c.c.$
$E_4 = SU_5$		$10 + c.c.$
$E_5 = SO_{10}$		$16 (= 5 + 10 + 1) + c.c.$
E_6		$27 (= 16 + 10 + 1) + c.c.$
E_7		$56 (= 27 + 27 + 1 + 1) + c.c.$
E_8		

→ natural embedding of SM and GUT groups in E_8 (of heterotic string)

- Hints for the unification scale

- unification of couplings → S. Martin

J. Ellis



'requires' low energy SUSY, $\Lambda_{\text{SUSY}} \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$,
 implies $\Lambda_{\text{GUT}} \sim 10^{16} \text{ GeV}$

→ standard SUSY GUT picture

- small neutrino masses / seesaw → J. Beacom

$$m_{\nu_3} \sim \frac{m_{D_3}^2}{M_3} \sim \frac{v^2}{\Lambda_{\text{GUT}}} \sim 0.004 \text{ eV}$$

$$\text{cf. } (\Delta m_{\text{sol}}^2)^{1/2} \approx 0.05 \text{ eV},$$

$$(\Delta m_{\text{atm}}^2)^{1/2} \approx 0.009 \text{ eV}; \text{ agreement } \underline{\text{accidental?}}$$

- Proton Decay

SU(5) GUT ; Higgs fields :

$$\underbrace{H_2(S), H_1(S^*)}_{SU(2) \times U(1) -} , \quad \Sigma(24)$$

SU(5) - breaking

suppotential for mass generation :

$$W = \frac{1}{2} m \text{tr} \Sigma^2 + \frac{1}{3} a \text{tr} \Sigma^3 + \lambda H_1 (\Sigma + 3\sigma) H_2$$

$$+ \frac{1}{4} Y_2^{15} 10_c 10_s H_2 + \sqrt{2} Y_1^{15} 10_c S_s^* H_1$$

$$\langle \Sigma \rangle = \sigma \begin{pmatrix} 2 & & & & 0 \\ & 2 & & & \\ & & 2 & & \\ 0 & & & -3 & \\ & & & & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

breaks SU(5) \rightarrow SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1) ;

$$H_2 = \begin{pmatrix} H_2 \\ T_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad H_1 = \begin{pmatrix} H_1 \\ T_1^c \end{pmatrix}$$

\uparrow SU(2) \uparrow SU(3)

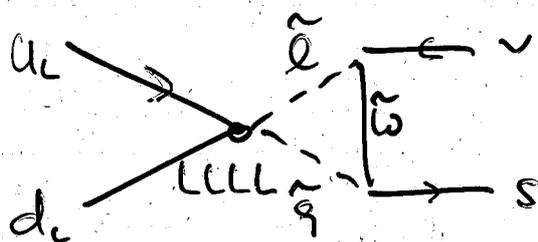
T_1^c, T_2 mass term : $m_T = 5a\sigma$

H_1, H_2 : $m = 0$ (re. $O(\sigma)$)

mass parameters have to be adjusted to order $\frac{v}{\sigma} \sim 10^{-13}$, doublet-triplet splitting problem!

Proton decay from dim-5 operators:

$$W_5 = \frac{1}{M_T} \left(\frac{1}{2} (q^c \gamma_2 q)(q \gamma_1 l) + (u^c \gamma_2 e^c)(u^c \gamma_1 d^c) \right)$$



$\Gamma(p \rightarrow K^+ \bar{\nu})$ typically too large!

minimal $SU(5)$ excluded (Murray, Pivce)?

NO! Yukawa couplings have to be corrected,

e.g.

$$\Delta W_Y = f_1 \frac{10 \cdot 10}{M_{Pl}} H_2 + f_2 \frac{10 \cdot 10}{M_{Pl}} H_2 \frac{\Sigma}{M_{Pl}} + \dots$$

in consistent $SU(5)$, proton decay can

be suppressed (Bjork, Perez, Senjanovic; Dorsho;

Costa, Wittenfeldt), but no 'natural' model

(2) GUTs in $D > 4$

Motivation: simplicity of symmetry breaking, solution of doublet-triplet splitting problem; no dim 5 p-decay;
(naturally embedded in string theory)

Kawamura '01; Altarelli, Fenglio '01;

Hall, Nomura, hep-ph/0103125; Hebecker,

Mech-Russell, hep-ph/0107039

→ review: M. Quiros, hep-ph/0302189

SU(5) model, $D=5$, SUSY

(8 supercharges, $N=2$)

gauge fields: U_M, Σ, λ^i ($i=1,2$)

symplectic Majorana spinors: $\lambda^i = \epsilon^{\beta\gamma} C \bar{\lambda}^{\gamma\beta}$

matter fields: $H^i, i=1,2, \psi = \psi_L^1 + \psi_R^2$

(hypermultiplet)

action :

$$\begin{aligned}
 S = \int d^4x \{ & \frac{1}{g^2} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} V_{MN}^2 - \text{tr} (\mathcal{D}_M \Sigma)^2 + \text{tr} (\chi^I)^2 \right. \\
 & - \text{tr} (\bar{\lambda}_i \gamma^M \mathcal{D}_M \lambda^i) + \text{tr} (\bar{\lambda}_i [\Sigma, \lambda^i]) \\
 & - (\mathcal{D}_M H)_i^\dagger (\mathcal{D}^M H^i) - i \bar{\Psi} \gamma^M \mathcal{D}_M \Psi + F_i^\dagger F_i \\
 & - \bar{\Psi} \Sigma \Psi + H_i^\dagger \sigma^{IJ} \chi^I H^j \\
 & \left. + H_i^\dagger \Sigma^2 H^i + i \sqrt{2} \bar{\Psi} \lambda^i \epsilon_{ij} H^j + \text{h.c.} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$N=2$ SUSY !

auxiliary fields : $\chi^I, F_i, \text{SO}(2)_R$!

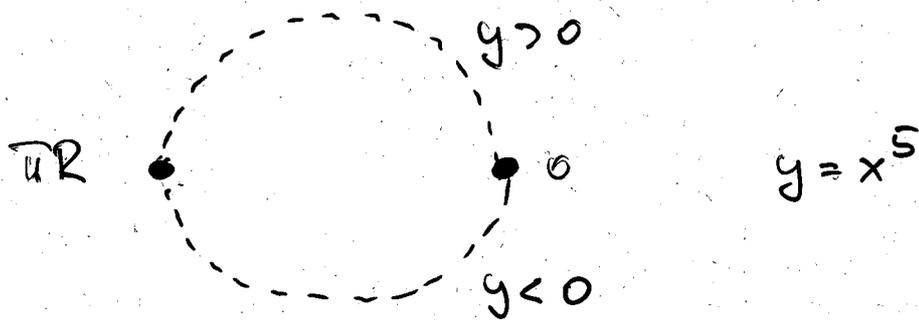
$N=1$ field content (4D) :

$$V = (V_M, \lambda_c), \quad \Phi = \left(\frac{\Sigma + i V_5}{\sqrt{2}}, \lambda_2^c \right)$$

vector, chiral multiplet

$$H = (H^I, \psi_L^I), \quad H^c = (H_2^\dagger, \psi_R^{2c})$$

compactification on orbifold S^1/\mathbb{Z}_2 :



$$y \in [-\infty R, +\infty R]$$

$$S^1 : y \in [-\infty R, +\infty R]$$

S^1/\mathbb{Z}_2 : identify $y \sim -y$,

$$\infty R \bullet \text{-----} \bullet 0 \text{ , } y \in [0, \infty R]$$

Field theory on orbifold : boundary conditions !

restrict FI to fields with $(P \in SU(5))$:

$$P V(\alpha, -y) P^{-1} = + V(\alpha, y) \text{ , } P \phi(\alpha, -y) P^{-1} = - \phi(\alpha, y)$$

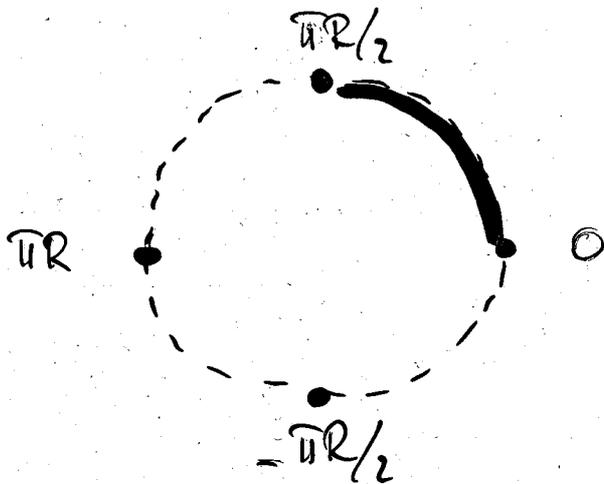
$$P H(\alpha, -y) P^{-1} = + H(\alpha, y) \text{ , } P H^c(\alpha, -y) P^{-1} = - H^c(\alpha, y)$$

action invariant ; away from fixpoints $y=0, \infty R$

mapping on manifold and field space ; at

fixpoints breaking of SUSY from $N=2$ to $N=1$.

Breaking of $SU(5)$ to $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$:



$$S'/Z_2 \times Z_2 : \quad y \sim -y \quad , \quad \frac{\pi R}{2} + y \sim \frac{\pi R}{2} - y$$

$$y \in [0, \frac{\pi R}{2}]$$

$$P = 1 \quad , \quad P' = \text{diag}(-1, -1, -1, 1, 1)$$

zero modes ($N=1$ multiplets) :

$$V : (8, 1)_0 \quad , \quad (1, 3)_0 \quad , \quad (1, 1)_0$$

$$H_2 : (1, 2)_2 \quad (H_{++} \dots)$$

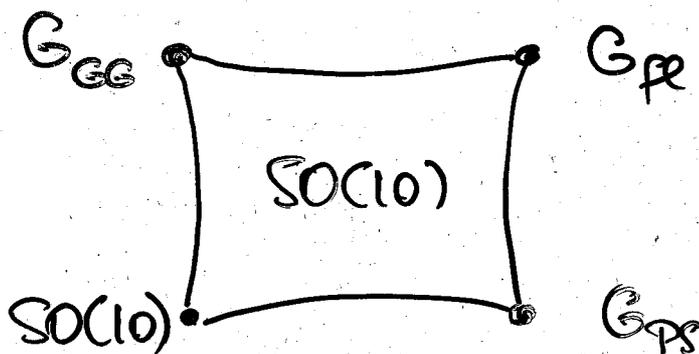
$$H_1 : (1, 2)_{-2} \quad (H^c_{++} \dots)$$

GUT breaking implies doublet-triplet splitting!

no dim 5 proton decay ; many models with interesting flavour structure

Extension to $SOC(10) \rightarrow SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)^2$:

$SOC(10)$ gauge theory in 6D, $N=2$ SUSY,
compactified on $T^2 / \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}'_2 \times \mathbb{Z}''_2$:



SM gauge group from intersection of Pati-Salam and Georgi-Glashow :

$$G_{PS} = SU(4) \times SU(2) \times SU(2), \quad G_{GG} = SU(5) \times U(1)_X,$$

$$G_{Pe} = SU(5)' \times U(1)_{X'},$$

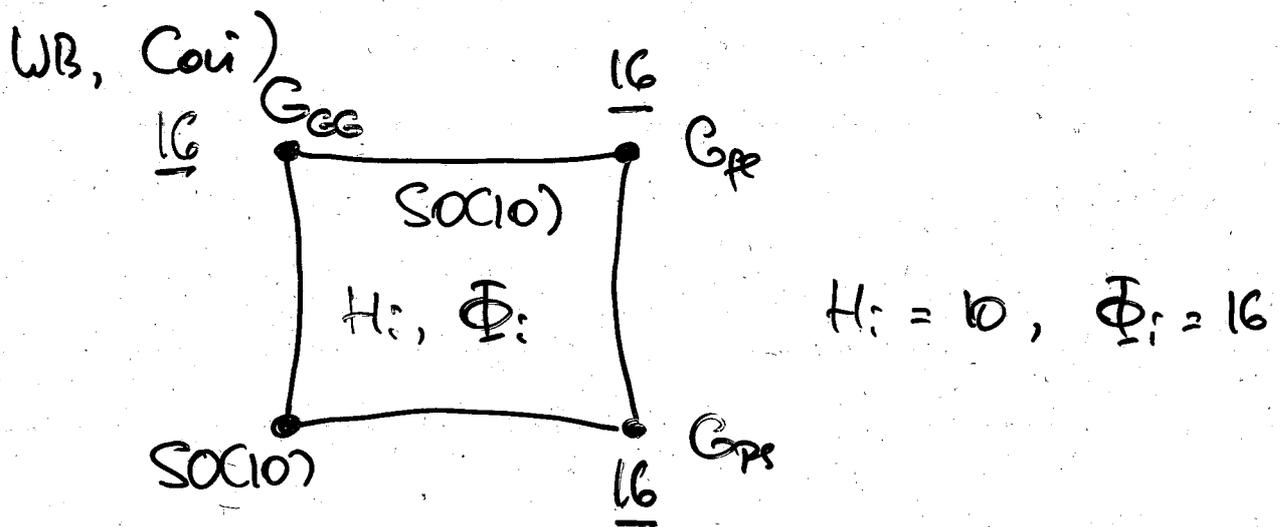
$$G_{SM}' \cong G_{SM} \times U(1)_X$$

$$= G_{PS} \cap G_{GG} = G_{GG} \cap G_{Pe}$$

symmetry breaking is local ; one expects
also localized 'magn' field ('twisted sector') ;
doublet triplet splitting OK

- Phenomenology

interplay of brane fields and split multiplets from bulk fields leads to interesting flavour physics; example hep-ph/0304142 (Asaka, WB, Coi)



split bulk zero modes :

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_4 \\ e_4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad L^c = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_4^c \\ e_4^c \end{pmatrix}, \quad G_5^c = d_4^c, \quad G_6 = d_4$$

mass matrices :

$$W = d_\alpha \mu_{\alpha\beta}^d d_\beta^c + e_\alpha^c \mu_{\alpha\beta}^e e_\beta + n_\alpha^c \mu_{\alpha\beta}^n \nu_\beta \\ + u_i^c \mu_{ij} u_j + \frac{1}{2} n_i^c M_{ij} n_j^c$$

$$\underline{i, j} = 1 \dots 3 \quad ; \quad \underline{\alpha, \beta} = 1 \dots 4$$

pattern of mass matrices for universal Yukawa couplings at each fixed point:

$$\frac{1}{\tan\beta} m^u \sim \frac{\sqrt{1} M_1}{\sqrt{2} M_2} m^N \sim \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \mu_2 \\ 0 & \mu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$m^d \sim m^e \sim m^D \sim \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 & 0 & 0 & \tilde{\mu}_1 \\ 0 & \mu_2 & 0 & \tilde{\mu}_2 \\ 0 & 0 & \mu_3 & \tilde{\mu}_3 \\ \tilde{\mu}_1 & \tilde{\mu}_2 & \tilde{\mu}_3 & \tilde{\mu}_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\mu_i, \tilde{\mu}_i = O(v_i)$, hierarchical; $\tilde{\mu}_i = O(\Lambda_{GUT})$;

integrate out heavy states: quark and lepton mass matrices in terms of 6 parameters

INPUT: $\mu_3 \approx m_t$, $\mu_2 \approx m_c$, $\mu_1 \approx m_u$

$\tilde{\mu}_3 \approx m_b$, $\tilde{\mu}_2 \approx m_s$, $\frac{\tilde{\mu}_1}{\tilde{\mu}_2} = V_{us} = \Theta_c$

OUTPUT: $V_{cb} \sim \frac{m_s}{m_b}$, $V_{ub} \sim \Theta_c \frac{m_s}{m_b}$,

$\frac{m_d}{m_s} \sim \gamma \Theta_c$, $\gamma \approx \frac{\mu_2}{\tilde{\mu}_2} \sim \frac{m_c m_b}{m_t m_s} \sim 0.1$

$M_3 : M_2 : M_1 \sim m_t : m_c : m_u$

$M_{\nu_3} : M_{\nu_2} : M_{\nu_1} \sim 1 : \gamma : \gamma$

Θ_{23}, Θ_{12} large, $\Theta_{13} \sim \gamma$ (LG orb)

reason for difference between quark and neutrino mass hierarchy:

$$m_\nu = - \bar{m}^D \frac{1}{M} \bar{m}^D \sim \bar{m}^d \frac{1}{m^u} \bar{m}^d$$

$$\frac{m_{\nu_1}}{m_{\nu_3}} \sim \left(\frac{m_d}{m_b} \right)^2 \left(\frac{m^u}{m_t} \right)^{-1} \sim 0.1$$

i.e., miss match between up- and down-quark mass hierarchies + seesaw causes small neutrino mass hierarchy!

proton decay (with Costa, Wittenfeldt):

		BR [%]				
		$e^+ \bar{\nu}^0$	$\mu^+ \bar{\nu}^0$	$\bar{\nu} \bar{\nu}^+$	$e^+ K^0$	$\mu^+ K^0$
6D	I	75	4	19	1	<1
SUSY	II	71	5	23	1	<1
4D	SU(5)	54	<1	27	<1	18

reason for difference: localization of 1st family in 6D model (different results for 5D model)

$$\tau^{-1}(p \rightarrow e^+ \bar{\nu}^0) \approx \left(\frac{M_c}{9 \times 10^{15} \text{ GeV}} \right)^4 5.3 \times 10^{33} \text{ yr}$$

$$M_c = \Lambda_{\text{cut}} \rightarrow 6 \times 10^{35} \text{ yr OK}$$

(3) Strings on orbifolds

basic idea: Dixon, Harvey, Vafa, Witten '86;
early semi-realistic models (G_{15} , 3 generations
+ extra stuff): Ibáñez, Nilles, Quevedo, Kim '87; ...

recent interest: embedding of orbifold GUTs,

Kobayashi, Raby, Zhang T^6/Z_6 hep-ph/0403065,

hep-ph/0409098; Förste, Nilles, Uandrevaige,

Winguh $T^6/Z_2 \times Z_2$ hep-ph/0406208; WB,

Hamoquchi, Lebedev, Ratz T^6/Z_6 hep-ph/0412318

starting point: heterotic string, $E_8 \times E_8$,

with one or more of the compact dimensions

'large', i.e. $O(\frac{1}{\Lambda_{GUT}})$ ('anisotropic orbifold')

Hebecker, Trnkefki hep-th/0411131)

Symmetry breaking:

$$SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1) \subset SO(10)$$

$$\subset E_6 \dots \subset E_8$$

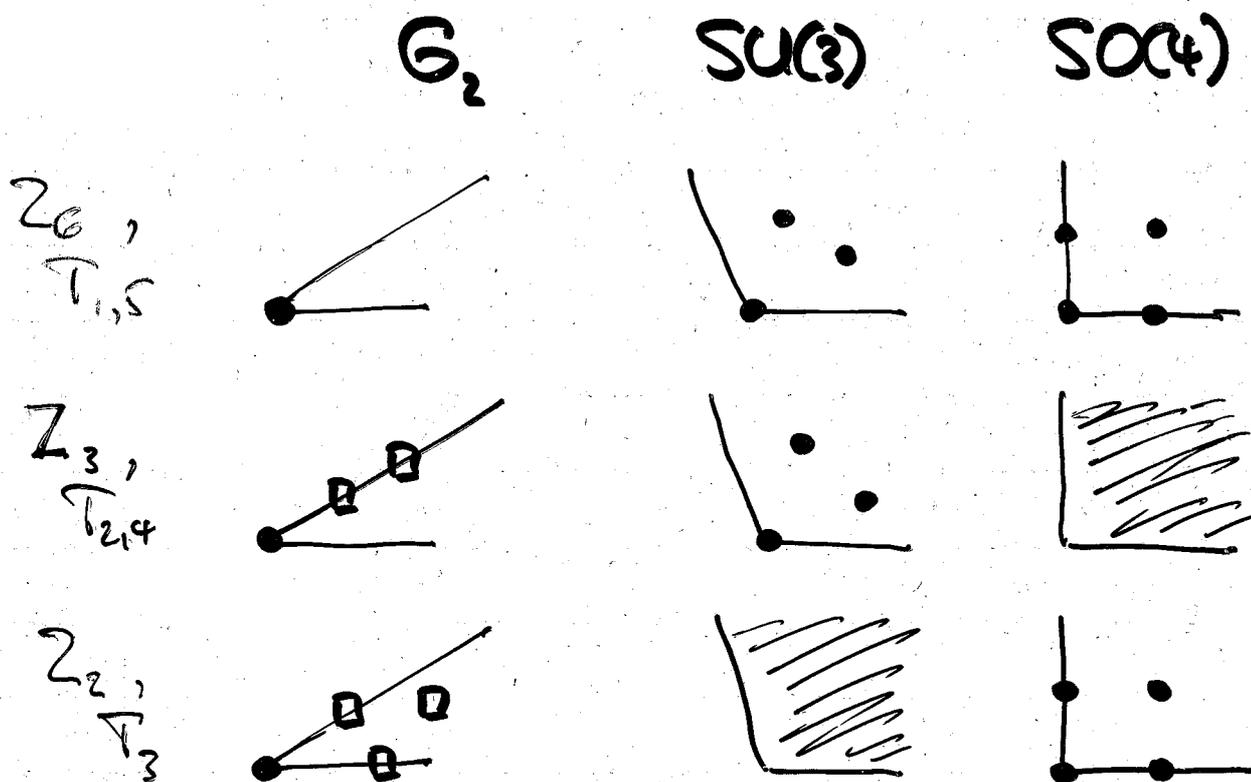
- Geometry of symmetry breaking

with K. Hamaguchi, O. Lebedev, M. Ratz

search: compactification which has fixed points with $E_8 \supset G \supset SO(10)$, $(16, \dots)$;

three generators, G_{SM} in $D=4$

$$O = T^6 G_2 \times SU(3) \times SO(4) / Z_6$$



characteristic feature: invariant planes

w.r.t. subgroups; additional fixed

points in G_2 plane

an example:

$$O : v_6 = \frac{1}{6} (0; -1, -2, 3)$$

$$T_{E_8 \times E_8'} / Z_6 :$$

$$U_6 = \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{3} 0 0 0 0 0 \right) \left(-\frac{1}{3} 0^7 \right)$$

$$W_2 = \left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} 0 \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} 0 0 0 \right) \left(1 0^7 \right), \quad W_2' = 0$$

$$W_3 = \left(\frac{1}{3} 0 0 \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{3} \right) \left(0^8 \right)$$

unbroken gauge group (up to U(1) factors):

$$G = SU(3) \times SU(2) \times [SO(14)]$$

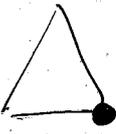
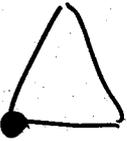
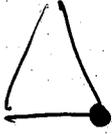
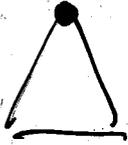
hidden sector

massless spectrum:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 2 \times (16; 1) + \left(\begin{array}{l} (3, 2; 1)_{\frac{1}{6}} + (\bar{3}, 1; 1)_{-\frac{2}{3}} + (\bar{3}, 1; 1)_{\frac{1}{3}} \\ (1, 2; 1)_{-\frac{1}{2}} + (1, 1; 1)_1 + (1, 1; 1)_0 \end{array} \right) \left. \begin{array}{l} 3 \text{ gen.} \\ 2 \\ \text{sequ.} \end{array} \right\} \\
 & + 16 \left((\bar{3}, 1; 1) + (3, 1; 1) \right) + 34 (1, 2; 1) \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{vector-} \\ \text{like} \end{array} \right\} \\
 & + 7 (1, 1; 14) + 86 (1, 1; 1)
 \end{aligned}$$

Geometry of local symmetries (U_6)

always: $SO(4)$ in hidden sector

-   $SO(10) \times SO(4)'$ \supset $SU(5)$
-   $SO(12)$ "
-   $SU(7)$ "
-   $SO(10)' \times SO(4)$ \supset $SU(4)_{PS}$
-   $SU(7)'$ "
-   $SU(7)''$ "

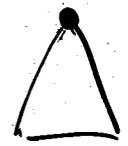
multiplicity: 2 ($u_2' = 0, 1$);

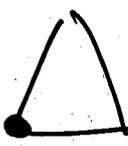
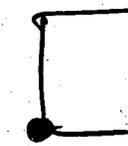
all groups different, intersection yields G_{SM}
'hybrid' unification.

Localization of zero modes (T_1)

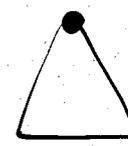
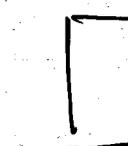
all singlets w.r.t. $SOC(4)$

•   $\{(16, 1, 1)\} + 2(1, 2, 1) + (1, 1, 2)$

•   $12 + 5 \times 1$
 $\supset 5 + \bar{5}$ [SU(5)]

•   $7 + \bar{7} + 3 \times 1$
 $\supset 5 + \bar{5}$

•   $(1, 2, 1) + (1, 1, 2)$
 $\supset (1, 2)_0$ [GSM]

•   $7' + 1$
 $\supset (\bar{3}, 1)_{-\frac{1}{6}} + (1, 2)_0$

•   $7'' + 1$
 $\supset (3, 1)_{\frac{1}{6}} + (1, 2)_0$

normal

exotic

multiplicity : 2 $(u_2' = 0, 1)$

$\rightarrow 2 \times 16 + 6((3, 1) + (\bar{3}, 1)) + 14(1, 2)$ vector-like

$T_{2,4}, T_3$: more complicated

untwisted sector :

$$U_1 : (\bar{3}, 1; 1)_{-\frac{2}{3}}, (1, 1; 1)_1, (1, 1; 1)_0$$
$$U_3^c \quad E_3^c \quad N_0^c$$

$$U_2 : (3, 2; 1)_{\frac{1}{6}}, (1, 1; 14)$$
$$Q_3$$

$$U_3 : (1, 2; 1)_{-\frac{1}{2}}, (1, 2; 1)_{\frac{1}{2}}$$
$$H_d \quad H_u$$

$$\begin{matrix} \nearrow & \nearrow & \nwarrow \\ (*, *; *) & & \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \swarrow \\ SU(2)_c & SU(2)_c & SO(14) \end{matrix}$$

puzzling feature of SM : Higgs + gauge fields
in split multiplets, with in GUT reps.

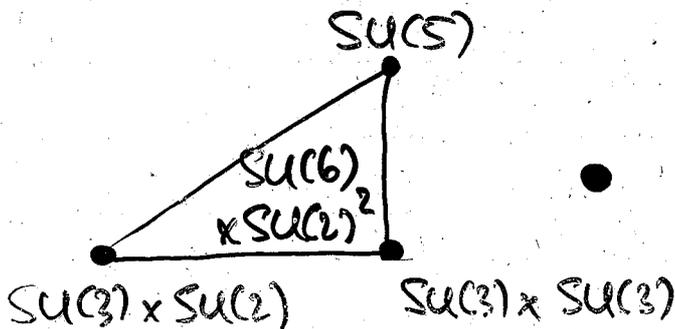
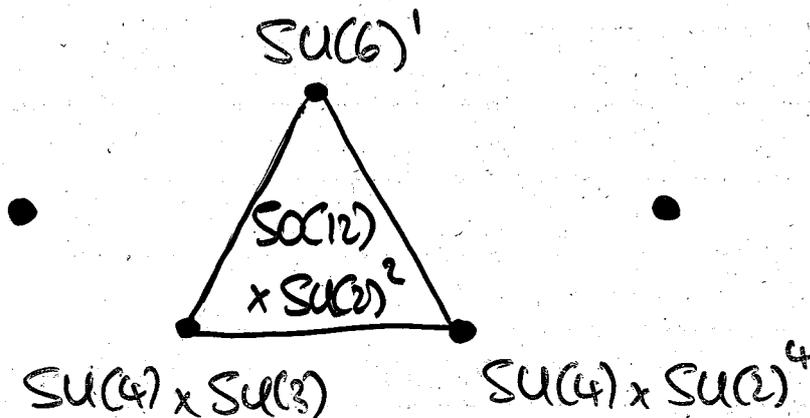
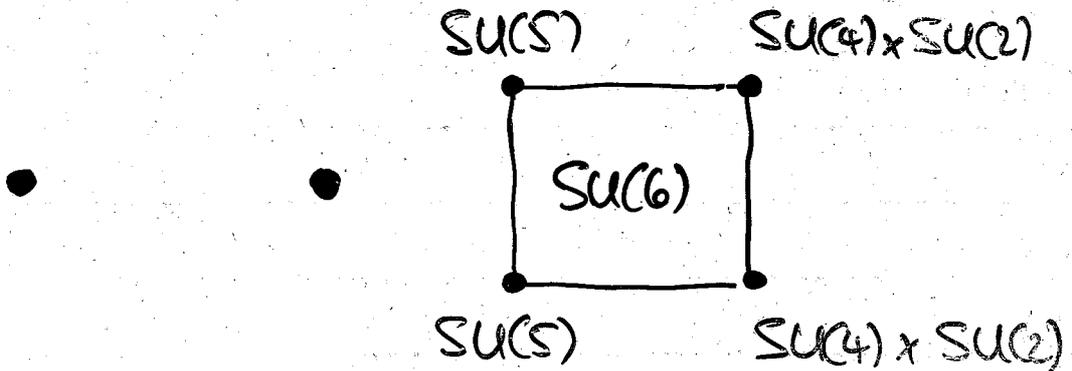
reason (mostly) : localization at fixed
points with enhanced (GUT) symmetry

Intermediate GUTs

2 planes: $R_s \sim \frac{1}{M_{string}}$, 1 plane: $R_u \sim \frac{1}{M_{GUT}} \Rightarrow R_s$

→ 6D effective field theory (unification of couplings, dynamically possible?)

3 possibilities:



same zero modes, but different localization

→ different Yukawa couplings

- Yukawa couplings etc.

Breaking of $U(1)$ factors? mass generation?

decoupling of vector-like zero modes?

requires Yukawa couplings:

$$\langle U_{-\frac{1}{2}} U_{-\frac{1}{2}} U_{-1} U_0 \dots U_0 \rangle$$

→ selection rules; only one renormalizable quark-lepton coupling:

$$U_1 U_2 U_3 : U_3^c Q_3 H_u \quad \text{top-quark}$$

Flat directions of superpotential? large

Majorana ν -masses from breaking of $B-L$?

quark-lepton mass hierarchy from high-

dimensional operators? electroweak symmetry

breaking?

.....

supersymmetry breaking?

... geometrical understanding of quark-

lepton quantum numbers intriguing ...

HOPES FOR THE (NEAR) FUTURE

- EXP**
- SUSY at LHC
 - proton decay, $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$
 - absolute neutrino mass scale (cosmology), θ_{13}

- TH**
- realistic orbifold extension of SM
 - relation to other compactifications (Calabi-Yau, D-branes)
 - SUSY breaking and moduli stabilization