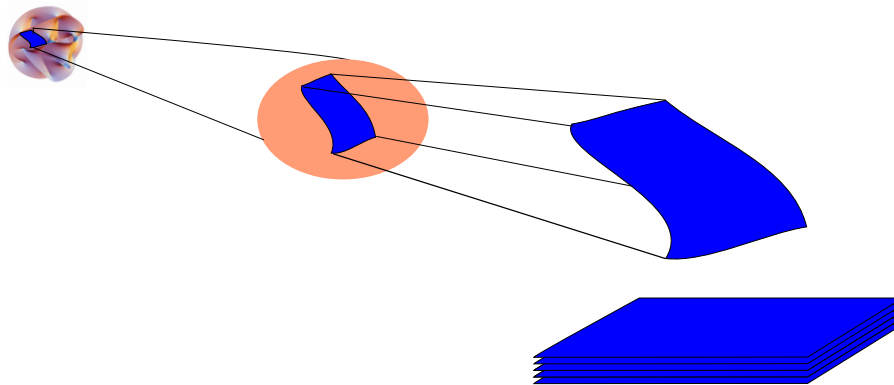


Tools for String Phenomenology

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4 Lectures on String Pheno

Lecture 1: Why?

SUSY GUT settings in String Theory

Lecture 2: How?

Higgs Bundles as the Tool for String Phenomenology

Lecture 3: What exactly?

F-theory as a UV completion of Higgs bundles

Lecture 4: Seriously?!

Complete F-theory models and implications

Lecture 3: What exactly?

F-theory: from Higgs bundles to Geometry

Spectral Covers:

Hayashi, Kawano, Tatar, Watari, Donagi, Wijnholt, Marsano, Saulina, SSN, Weigand...

F-theory:

Vafa, Morrison, Katz, Bershadsky, Sadov, Kachru, ...

F-theory and geometry of elliptic CY4:

Esole, Yau, Marsano, SSN, Weigand, Grimm, Mayrhofer, Kuntzler, Krause, Lawrie,....

F-theory via M-theory:

Vafa, Morrison, Grimm, Hayashi, Cvetic, Klevers, ...

Finally, we need to talk about F-theory

F-theory = non-perturbative Type IIB vacua

- Coupling: complex field $\tau = C_0 + ie^{-\phi}$
- S-duality of Type IIB = $SL_2\mathbb{Z}$ action, e.g. $\tau \rightarrow -1/\tau$
- [Vafa] Geometrize τ consistent with $SL_2\mathbb{Z}$
 \Rightarrow Tag on to geometry a T^2 or elliptic curve, where $\tau =$ complex structure of curve
- 4 dim: compactify on T^2 fibered Calabi-Yau fourfold Y
 $y^2 = x^3 + fx + g$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T^2_{\tau} & \rightarrow & Y_4 \\ & & \downarrow \\ & & B_3 \end{array}$$

Various ways to reach F-theory

- Non-perturbative IIB theory
- F-theory on K3-fibered CY4 is dual to heterotic on elliptic CY3
- Duality to M-theory: useful approach to learn about effective theory

$$M/S_A^1 \times S_B^1 \xrightarrow{R_A \rightarrow 0} IIA/S_B^1 \xrightarrow{R_B \rightarrow 0} IIB$$

$$R_A, R_B \rightarrow 0, \quad g_s = R_A/R_B = \text{fixed}$$

More generally: F-theory from M-theory on \mathbb{E}_τ

$$\text{Elliptic curve} \quad \mathbb{E}_\tau \sim S_A^1 \times S_B^1 : \quad \begin{cases} \text{Im}(\tau) = g_s = \text{fixed} \\ \text{Vol}(\mathbb{E}_\tau) \rightarrow 0 \end{cases}$$

Gauge degrees of freedom/7-branes in F-theory

Gauge degrees of freedom (like in Type IIB) arise from 7-branes:

7-branes in IIB sources F_9 : $z =$ direction perpendicular to 7-brane

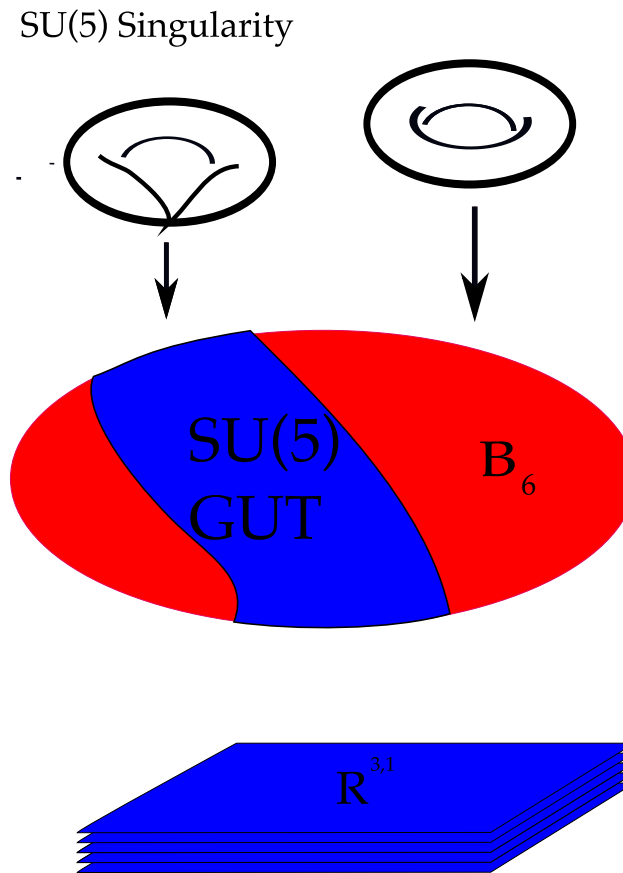
$$d \star F_9 = \delta(z - z_0) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \oint_{S^1} dC_0 = 1$$

which has solution locally

$$\tau(z) = \tau(z_0) + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \log(z - z_0) + \dots$$

- **Monodromy: $\tau \rightarrow \tau + 1$**
- (p, q) 7-branes generalize this to $SL_2\mathbb{Z}$ monodromies
- τ diverges at location of 7-brane
 $\tau =$ complex structure of elliptic curve
 \Rightarrow **Location of 7-branes are loci where fiber is singular**

Gauge degrees of freedom / 7-branes in F-theory

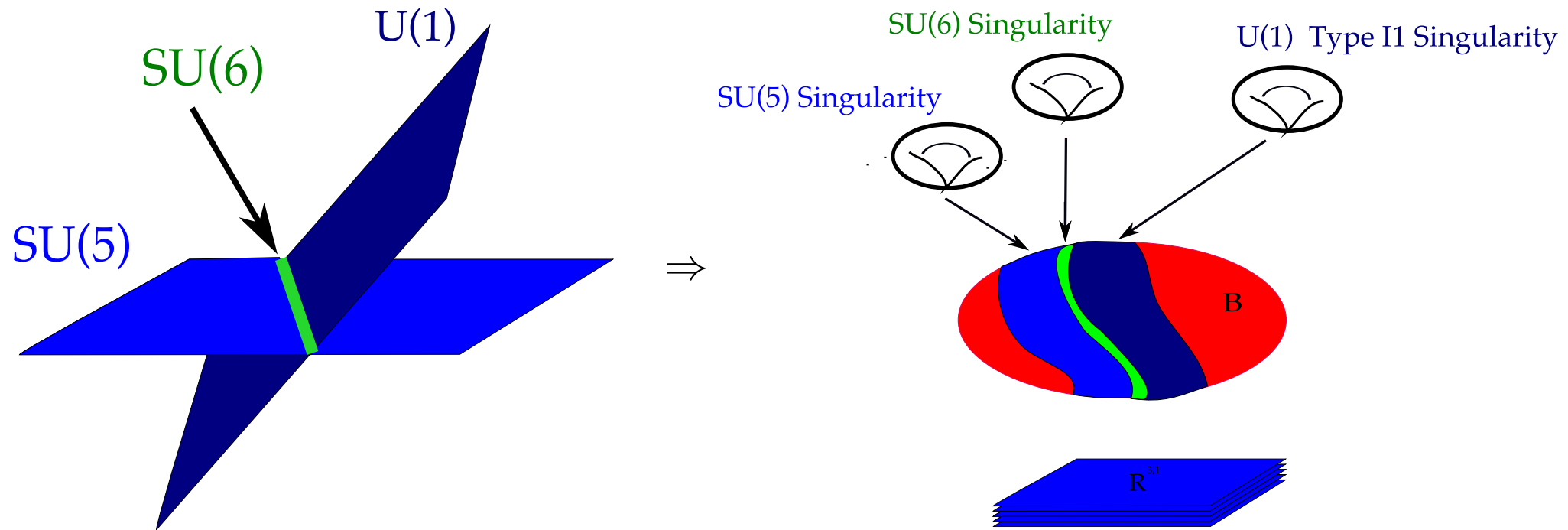


F-theory: realizes **branes** in terms of geometric singularities

8d $\mathcal{N} = 1$ SYM with gauge groups: $SU(n)$, $SO(2n)$, $E_{6,7,8}$

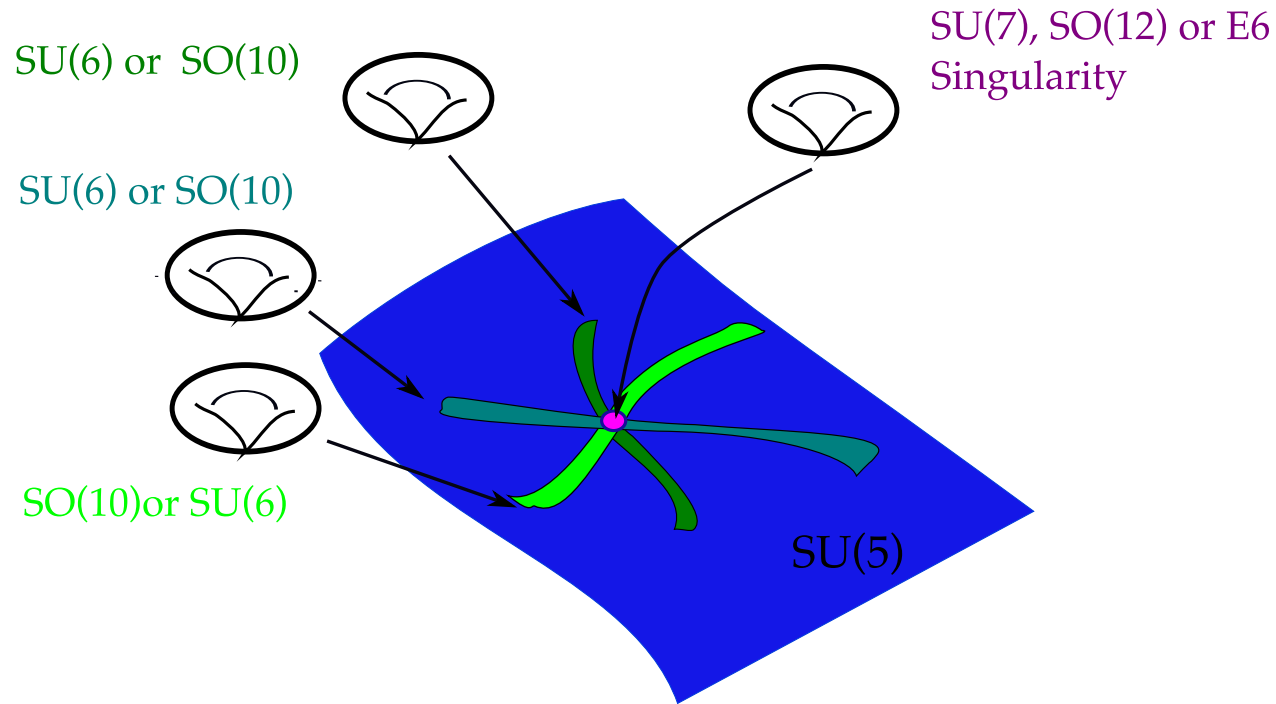
Matter fields geometrically

7-branes inside B_6 wrapping surfaces, which intersect over a **curve Σ** :



\Rightarrow Bifundamental matter is localized along curves Σ

Yukawa couplings from Triple-Intersections



Yukawa couplings from **triple intersection of matter curves**:

$$G_p \rightarrow SU(5) \times U(1)_1 \times U(1)_2$$

Such as

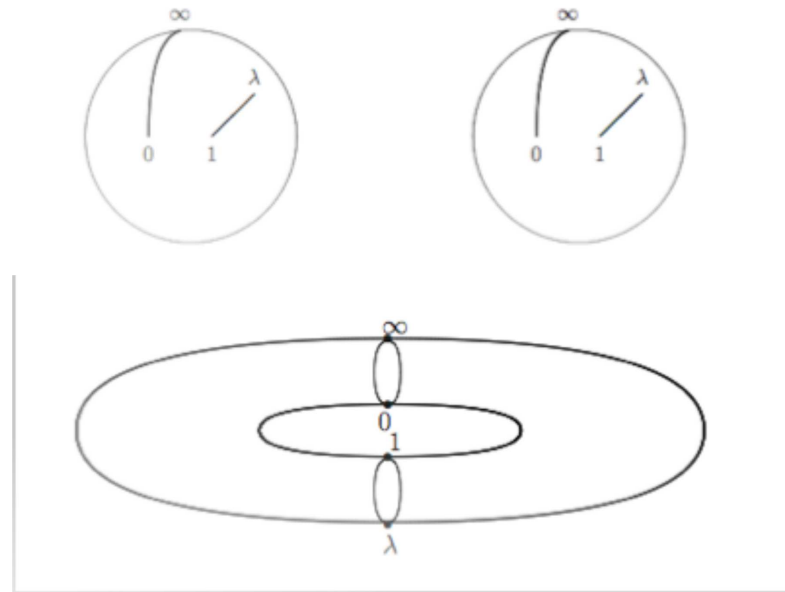
$$SO(12) : \bar{\mathbf{5}}_H \times \bar{\mathbf{5}}_M \times \mathbf{10}_M \quad E_6 : \mathbf{10}_M \times \mathbf{10}_M \times \mathbf{5}_H \quad SU(7) : \mathbf{5} \times \bar{\mathbf{5}} \times \mathbf{1}$$

Elliptic curves

Classic theory of elliptic curves over \mathbb{C} :

Weierstrass form: $y^2 = x^3 + fx + g$

Geometrically: gives a branched covering over y -plane, with cuts connecting the 3 roots, wlog $0, 1, \lambda$ of $x^3 + fx + g$ and $\infty \Rightarrow$ gives a torus:



Singular elliptic curves

Singular loci arise when two branchpoints collide, "cycle shrinks to 0 size", i.e. roots of

$$x^3 + fx + g = (x - a)(x - b)(x - c)$$

collide, i.e. when $(a - b) = 0$ or $(a - c) = 0$ or $(b - c) = 0$. In terms of f, g :

$$a + b + c = 0, \quad g = -abc, \quad f = ab + ac + bc$$

Then $(a - b)(a - c)(b - c) = 0$ can be rewritten as

$$\Delta = 4f^3 + 27g^2 = 0$$

Singular Elliptic Fibrations

For elliptic fibrations over curves, **Kodaira classified all the possible fiber singularities**. Generally understood to hold for fibers over higher dimensional spaces in codimension 1.

Fibers characterized by an **intersection graph of the resolution \mathbb{P}^1 s**:

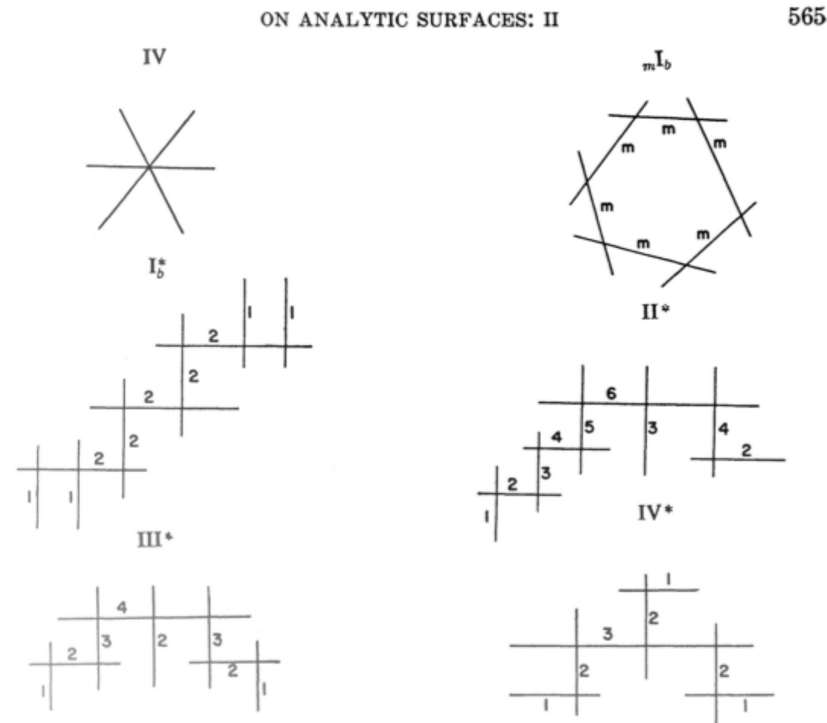


FIGURE 1. Each line represents $\Theta_{p\beta}$; the integer attached to the line gives $n_{p\beta}$.

Elliptic fibrations

Consider fibrations: $\mathbb{E}_\tau \rightarrow B_3$, given by a Weierstrass form

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

- f and g are functions on the base B_3 .
- Let z be a local coordinate on B_3
 $\Rightarrow z = 0$ gives a divisor S in B_3 (surface), aka S_{GUT}
- How to characterize that fiber above S is singular? Let:

$$f = \sum_i f_i z^i, \quad g = \sum_i g_i z^i$$

Singular along $z = 0$: $\Delta = 4f^3 + 27g^2 = O(z^n)$

- $\Delta = 0$ as an equation in B_3 yields a divisor
 \Rightarrow singularity in codimension 1 (one equation in B_3)

	$\text{ord}_S(f)$	$\text{ord}_S(g)$	$\text{ord}_S(\Delta)$	singularity	local gauge group factor
I_0	≥ 0	≥ 0	0	none	–
I_1	0	0	1	none	–
I_2	0	0	2	A_1	$SU(2)$
$I_m, m \geq 1$	0	0	m	A_{m-1}	$Sp(\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor)$ or $SU(m)$
II	≥ 1	1	2	none	–
III	1	≥ 2	3	A_1	$SU(2)$
IV	≥ 2	2	4	A_2	$Sp(1)$ or $SU(3)$
I_0^*	≥ 2	≥ 3	6	D_4	G_2 or $SO(7)$ or $SO(8)$
$I_m^*, m \geq 1$	2	3	$m + 6$	D_{m+4}	$SO(2m + 7)$ or $SO(2m + 8)$
IV^*	≥ 3	4	8	E_6	F_4 or E_6
III^*	3	≥ 5	9	E_7	E_7
II^*	≥ 4	5	10	E_8	E_8
non-minimal	≥ 4	≥ 6	≥ 12	non-canonical	–

Kodaira's classification of singular fibers and gauge groups

The powerhouse for F-theory singularities: Tate form

How do we characterize a specific type of singularity?

Starting with Weierstrass form with specific Kodaira singular fiber

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

Can transform **globally** (almost always) into **(generalized) Tate form**

[Bershadskya et al],[Katz, Morrison, SSN, Sully]

$$y^2 = x^3 + a_1xy + a_2x^2 + a_3y + a_4x + a_6$$

Fiber type encoded in

$$a_n = z^{i_n} b_n, \quad b_n = O(1)$$

Tate Algorithm and Tate Forms

Tate Algorithm determines singularity type of an elliptic curve/fibration, and finds a minimal form of it, i.e. **"canonical form for a singular elliptic fibration"**. Starting point for Tate algorithm: $f = \sum_i f_i z^i$ and $g = \sum_i g_i z^i$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta = 4f^3 + 27g^2 = \left(4f_0^3 + 27g_0^2\right) + \left(12f_1f_0^2 + 54g_0g_1\right)z + O\left(z^2\right)$$

- If z does not divide $\Delta \rightarrow$ smooth I_0 fiber
- If $z|\Delta$: then there exists u_0 such that

$$f_0 = -\frac{1}{3}u_0^2 + O(z), \quad g_0 = \frac{2}{27}u_0^3 + O(z)$$

Shifting $(x, y) \mapsto (x + \frac{1}{3}u_0, y)$ the equation becomes

$$y^2 = x^3 + u_0x^2 + (f_1z + f_2z^2 + \dots)x + (g_1 + \frac{1}{3}u_0f_1)z + (g_2 + \frac{1}{3}u_0f_2)z^2 + \dots$$

which is the Tate form for an I_1 singularity. (U(1))

Tate Algorithm and Tate Forms

- If $z^2|\Delta$

$$\Delta = 4u_0^3(g_1 + \frac{1}{3}u_0f_1)z + O(z^2), \quad \text{where } (g_1 + \frac{1}{3}u_0f_1) = 0 + O(z^2)$$

so we can set it to zero to leading order and obtain the Tate form for I_2 (SU(2))

$$y^2 = x^3 + u_0x^2 + (f_1z + f_2z^2 + \dots)x + (g_2 + \frac{1}{3}u_0f_2)z^2 + \dots$$

- If $z^3|\Delta$ then

$$\Delta = u_0^2 \left(4u_0 \left(g_2 + \frac{1}{3}u_0f_2 \right) - f_1^2 \right) z^2 + O(z^3)$$

Then there exists s_0, μ such that

$$u_0 = \frac{1}{4}\mu s_0^2 + O(z), \quad f_1 = \frac{1}{2}\mu s_0 t_1 + O(z).$$

- If $\mu|_S \neq 0$, then u_0 has a square root and the resulting singularity can be globally put into I_3^s Tate form (SU(3)).
- If μ has zeros on S then there is no global change of coordinates to bring it into Tate form for I_3^{ns} (Sp(1)) \Rightarrow generalized Tate form.

- Inductively for all $z^n|\Delta$

Tate Algorithm and Tate Forms

Can transform Weierstrass **globally** into **(generalized) Tate form**
except for $SU(m)$, $6 \leq m \leq 9$, $Sp(n)$, $n = 3, 4$, $SO(l)$, $l = 13, 14$

[Katz, Morrison, SS-N, Sully]

$$y^2 = x^3 + a_1xy + a_2x^2 + a_3y + a_4x + a_6$$

Fiber type: $a_n = z^{i_n} b_n$, with $b_n = O(1)$ are given in Tate table:

NB: for outliers we know examples where there is no Tate form, e.g. E_6 deformed to A_5

$$y^2 - \frac{9}{4}t^2xy + z^2y = x^3$$

which is already I_5 Tate form. Singularity type is I_6 , so following the Tate alg, require a non-holomorphic coordinate change.

Type	Group	a_1	a_2	a_3	a_4	a_6	Δ
I_1	—	0	0	1	1	1	1
I_2	$SU(2)$	0	0	1	1	2	2
I_3^{ns}	$Sp(1)$	0	0	2	2	3	3
I_3^s	$SU(3)$	0	1	1	2	3	3
I_{2n}^{ns}	$Sp(n)$	0	0	n	n	$2n$	$2n$
I_{2n}^s	$SU(2n)$	0	1	n	n	$2n$	$2n$
I_{2n+1}^{ns}	$Sp(n)$	0	0	$n+1$	$n+1$	$2n+1$	$2n+1$
I_{2n+1}^s	$SU(2n+1)$	0	1	n	$n+1$	$2n+1$	$2n+1$
III	$SU(2)$	1	1	1	1	2	3
IV^{ns}	$Sp(1)$	1	1	1	2	2	4
IV^s	$SU(3)$	1	1	1	2	3	4
I_0^{*ns}	G_2	1	1	2	2	3	6
I_0^{*ss}	$SO(7)$	1	1	2	2	4	6
I_0^{*s}	$SO(8)^*$	1	1	2	2	4	6
I_1^{*ns}	$SO(9)$	1	1	2	3	4	7
I_1^{*s}	$SO(10)$	1	1	2	3	5	7
I_2^{*ns}	$SO(11)$	1	1	3	3	5	8
I_2^{*s}	$SO(12)^*$	1	1	3	3	5	8
I_{2n-3}^{*ns}	$SO(4n+1)$	1	1	n	$n+1$	$2n$	$2n+3$
I_{2n-3}^{*s}	$SO(4n+2)$	1	1	n	$n+1$	$2n+1$	$2n+3$
I_{2n-2}^{*ns}	$SO(4n+3)$	1	1	$n+1$	$n+1$	$2n+1$	$2n+4$
I_{2n-2}^{*s}	$SO(4n+4)^*$	1	1	$n+1$	$n+1$	$2n+1$	$2n+4$
IV^{*ns}	F_4	1	2	2	3	4	8
IV^{*s}	E_6	1	2	2	3	5	8
III^*	E_7	1	2	3	3	5	9
II^*	E_8	1	2	3	4	5	10
non-min	—	1	2	3	4	6	12

Tate Form for $SU(5)$

Tate form for an $SU(5)$ singularity

$$P_{Tate} : \quad y^2 = x^3 + b_1xy + b_2zx^2 + b_3z^2y + b_4z^3x + b_6z^5$$

More precisely:

P_{Tate} is an equation for a hypersurface in $X_5 = \mathbb{P}^2(\mathcal{O} \oplus K_B^{-2} \oplus K_B^{-3})$ or $\mathbb{P}^{1,2,3}$.

Adjunction formula relates canonical bundle of X and Y and normal bundle $N_{Y|X}$

$$K_Y = K_X|_Y \otimes N_{Y|X}$$

But P_{Tate} is like a local coordinate near Y , so that $N_{Y|X} = K_X^{-1}|_Y$, whereby

$$K_Y = K_X|_Y \otimes K_X^{-1}|_Y = \mathcal{O}.$$

Tate Form for $SU(5)$

$$y^2 = x^3 + b_1xy + b_2zx^2 + b_3z^2y + b_4z^3x + b_6z^5$$

and

$$\Delta = z^5\delta_5 + z^6\delta_6 + O(z^7)$$

- b_n are sections of bundles over base B_3
- b_n will in fact encode Higgs bundle data (in a second)
- Given that $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} B_3 = 3$, we can consider higher codimension singularities

$$\text{codim 1 : } z = 0$$

$$\text{codim 2 : } z = b_1 = 0$$

$$z = (b_1(b_1b_6 - b_3b_4) + b_2b_3^2) = 0$$

$$\text{codim 3 : } z = b_1 = b_2 = 0$$

$$z = b_1 = b_3 = 0$$

Higher codimension singularities

Or, what's the meaning of δ_5 and δ_6 ?

⇒ **codimension 2 and 3 singularities** (in the base)

- Heuristics 1:

At $z = \delta_5 = 0$ the $SU(5)$ 7-branes intersects flavor brane $\delta_5 = 0$

⇒ Bifundamental Matter

At $z = \delta_5 = \delta_6 = 0$ two flavor branes intersect with the $SU(5)$ 7-branes

⇒ Yukawas

- Heuristics 2:

Setting $\delta_5 = z = 0$ or $\delta_5 = \delta_6 = z = 0$ yields a **higher rank singularity**

⇒ $\Delta = O(z^6)$ or $O(z^7)$

⇒ $G \rightarrow SU(5)$ generating bifundamental matter/Yukawas

Flawed: no Kodaira classification in higher codimension

⇒ Precise picture from **Resolution of singularities**

Resolution of the $SU(5)$ singularity

[Esole, Yau], [Marsano, SSN], [Lawrie, SSN]

$SU(5)$ Tate model:

$$y^2 = x^3 + b_6 z^5 + b_4 z^3 x + b_3 z^2 y + b_2 z x^2 + b_1 x y$$

Discriminant has vanishing order at S_{GUT}

$$\Delta \sim z^5 D(b_m, z)$$

Eq is singular along $x = y = z = 0$.

Why? Tangent space degenerates: $\partial_x = \partial_y = \partial_z = 0$ at this locus.

- $x = y = z = 0$ singular locus, i.e. derivatives all vanish

Blowup: Introduce new \mathbb{P}^2 defined by $\zeta_1 = 0$, and new projective coordinates $[x, y, \zeta_0]$

$$x \rightarrow x\zeta_1, \quad y \rightarrow y\zeta_1, \quad z \rightarrow \zeta_0\zeta_1$$

$\Rightarrow \zeta_1 = 0$ is exceptional divisor

- $x = y = \zeta_1 = 0$ singular locus, i.e. derivatives all vanish
Blowup: Introduce new \mathbb{P}^2 defined by $\zeta_2 = 0$, and new projective coordinates $[x, y, \zeta_1]$

$$x \rightarrow x\zeta_2, \quad y \rightarrow y\zeta_2, \quad \zeta_1 \rightarrow \zeta_1\zeta_2$$

$\Rightarrow \zeta_2 = 0$ is exceptional divisor

Smooth in codim 1

$$y(y + b_1x + b_3\zeta_1\zeta_0^2) = \zeta_1\zeta_2 (b_6\zeta_1^2\zeta_0^5 + b_2x^2\zeta_0 + b_4\zeta_1x\zeta_0^3 + \zeta_2x^3)$$

Read: cf. conifold

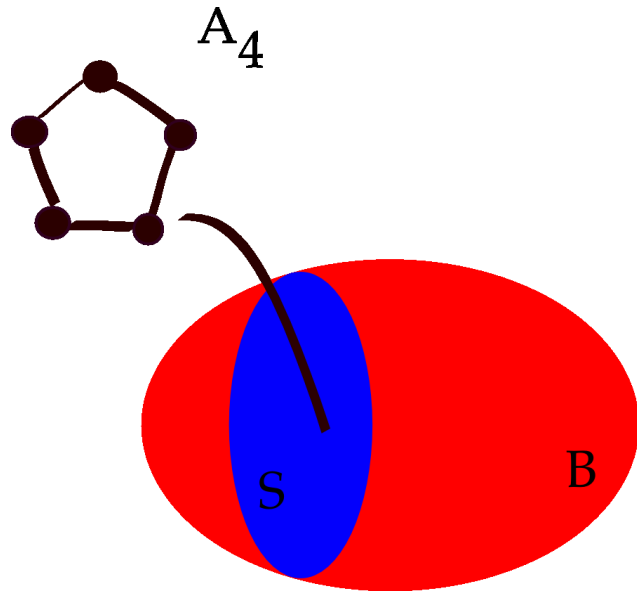
$$y\tilde{y} = \zeta_1\zeta_2Z$$

More generally, e.g. $SU(2k + 1)$

$$y\tilde{y} = \zeta_1 \cdots \zeta_{k-1}Z$$

Structure of Resolved CY4: Intuitive stuff

Resolving an $SU(5)$ singularity, we expect 4 new \mathbb{P}^1 s, which can be fibered over S_{GUT} and give rise to 4 new divisors in the resolved geometry:



$$y\tilde{y} = \zeta_1\zeta_2 Z$$

\Rightarrow 4 exceptional divisors

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{-\alpha_i}$ "Cartan Divisors"

\Rightarrow Irreducible components of $\zeta_i = 0$

$$\zeta_i = y = 0 \text{ and } \zeta_i = \tilde{y} = 0$$

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{-\alpha_i} \cdot \mathcal{D}_{-\alpha_j}$

$$= \text{Cartan matrix of } \widehat{A}_4$$

Higher codimension

$$y(y + b_1x + b_3\zeta_1\zeta_0^2) = \zeta_1\zeta_2 (b_6\zeta_1^2\zeta_0^5 + b_2x^2\zeta_0 + b_4\zeta_1x\zeta_0^3 + \zeta_2x^3)$$

Geometry is still singular in higher codimension e.g. in codimension 2

$$y = \zeta_1 = \zeta_2 = b_1 = 0$$

⇒ **Small resolutions** (see conifold). E.g.

$$y \rightarrow y\delta_1, \quad \zeta_1 \rightarrow \zeta_1\delta_1$$

where $\delta_1 = 0$ describes a \mathbb{P}^1

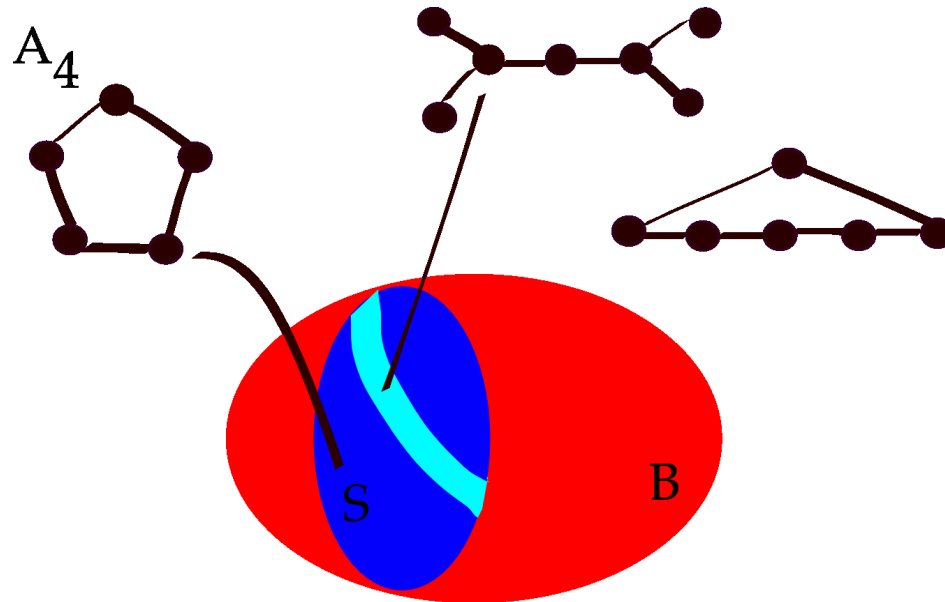
$$\delta_1 = 0: \quad [y, \zeta_1]$$

Smooth geometry:

$$y(\delta_1(b_3\zeta_1\zeta_0^2 + \delta_2y) + b_1x) = \zeta_1\zeta_2 (b_2x^2\zeta_0 + \delta_1\zeta_1\zeta_0^3 (b_6\delta_1\zeta_1\zeta_0^2 + b_4x) + \delta_2\zeta_2x^3)$$

What's the structure of the fibers in higher codim, e.g. along $b_1 = 0$?

Matter Fibers: naive expectation



Fibers are generically not of ADE type (Kodaira) along higher codim

$$\Delta = \delta_5 z^5 + \delta_6 z^6 + O(z^7)$$

Structure of resolved CY4: Not so intuitive Stuff

[Esole, Yau], [Marsano, SSN], [Lawrie, SSN]

- codimension 2, aka matter: Naively expect $SO(10)$ or $SU(6)$ fibers
⇒ This is confirmed [Marsano, SSN], [Lawrie, SSN] although initially claimed otherwise [Esole, Yau]
- codimension 3, aka Yukawas: Naively expect $SO(12)$ or E_6 fibers
⇒ However, fibers are not Kodaira for E_6
⇒ **Top Yukawas seem to be in trouble.**

In higher codim: no mathematical classification of singular fibers

Constructive proof of fiber types obtained in [Lawrie, SSN]

Structure of resolved CY4: Not so intuitive Stuff, Unriddled

[Marsano, SSN]

$$y (\delta_1 (b_3 \zeta_1 \zeta_0^2 + \delta_2 y) + b_1 x) = \zeta_1 \zeta_2 (b_2 x^2 \zeta_0 + \delta_1 \zeta_1 \zeta_0^3 (b_6 \delta_1 \zeta_1 \zeta_0^2 + b_4 x) + \delta_2 \zeta_2 x^3)$$

Codimension 2:

Cartan divisors split along $b_1 = 0$ (SO(10)) into surfaces S

$$\begin{aligned} D_{-\alpha_2} &\xrightarrow{b_1 \cdot} S_{(0,0,-1,0,1)} + S_{(0,1,-1,1,-1)} \\ D_{-\alpha_4} &\rightarrow S_{(0,1,0,0,-1)} + S_{(0,1,-1,1,-1)} + D_{-\alpha_1} \cdot [b_1], \end{aligned}$$

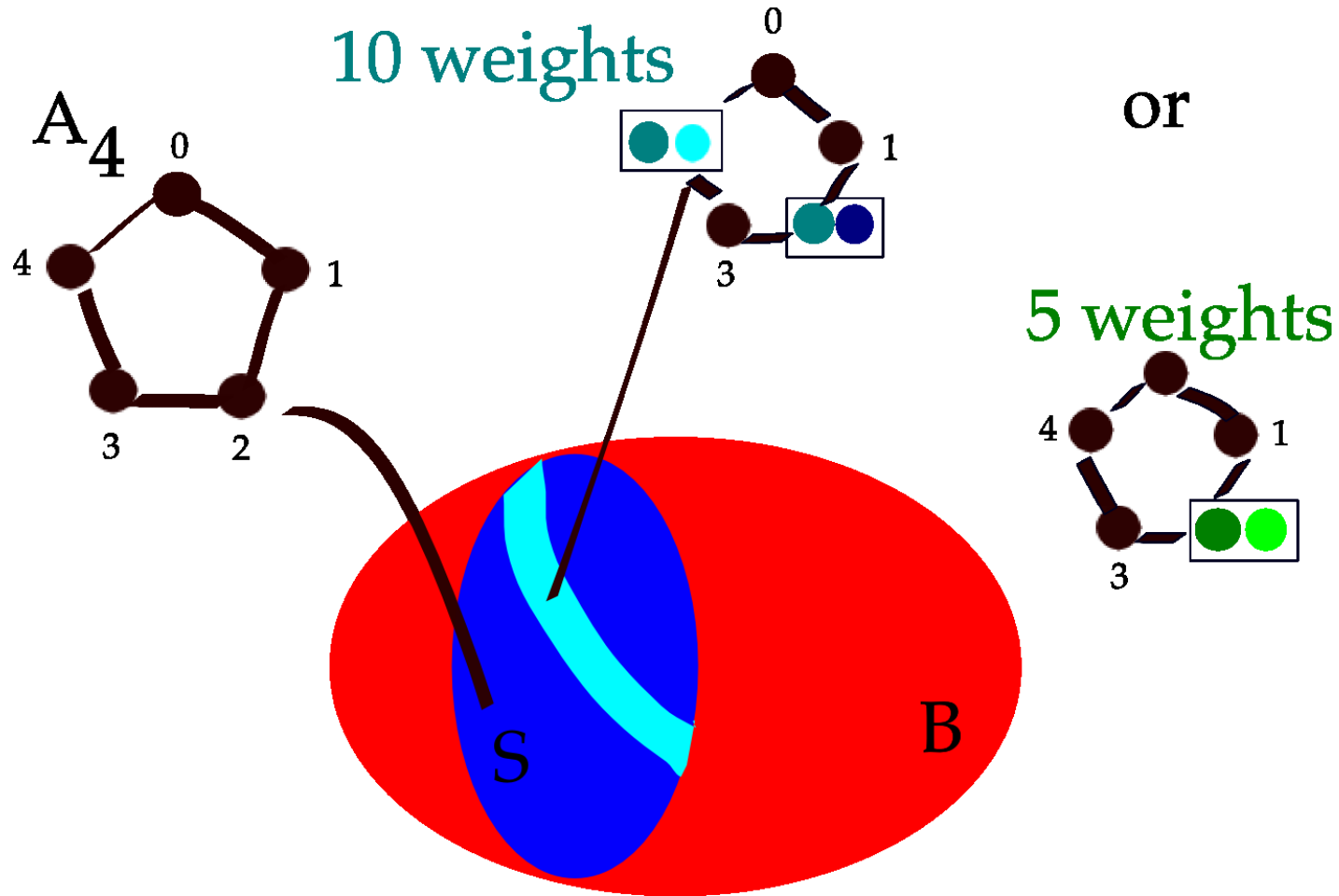
Cartan divisors split along $P_5 = 0$ (SU(6))

$$D_{-\alpha_3} \rightarrow S_{(0,0,1,-1,0)} + S_{(0,0,0,-1,1)}$$

\Rightarrow Fibers in higher codim are **Kodaira** with correct multiplicities

\Rightarrow splitting into weights of the corresponding representation

Matter Fibers



Along codim 2 enhancement: fibers split into weights of SU(5) representations

Structure of resolved CY4: Not so intuitive Stuff, Unriddled

[Marsano, SSN]

Codimension 3:

At E_6 loci $b_1 = b_2 = z = 0$ one of the matter surfaces splits further

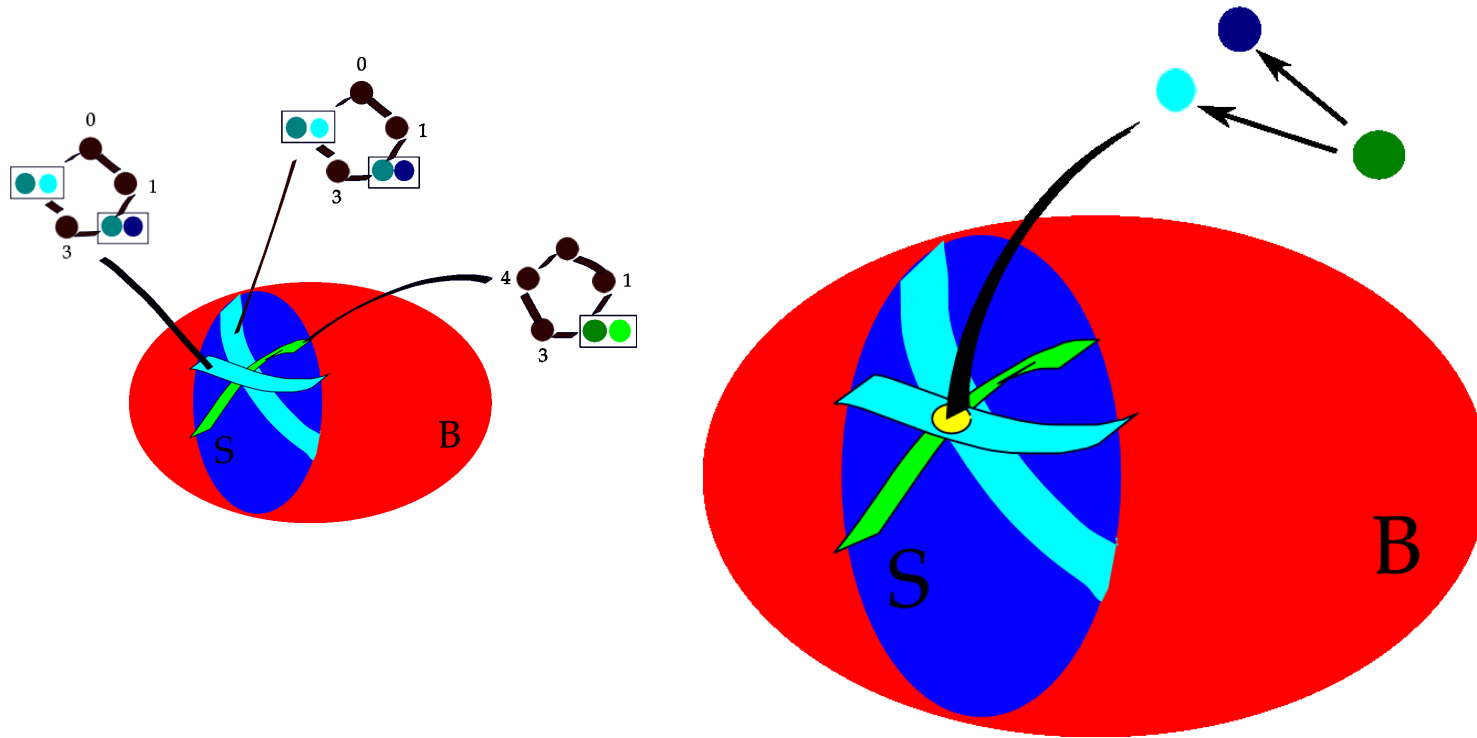
$$S_{(0,1,0,0,-1)} \longrightarrow \Sigma_{(0,1,-1,1,-1)} + \Sigma_{(0,0,1,-1,0)}$$

\Rightarrow In this case: NOT E_6 Kodaira fiber

\Rightarrow But Splitting guarantees existence of $\mathbf{10} \times \mathbf{10} \times \bar{\mathbf{5}}$ top Yukawa:

$\bar{\mathbf{5}}$ curve becomes reducible and splits into two $\mathbf{10}$ curves.

Yukawas



Codim 3: curves corresponding to weights split consistent with Yukawas

General resolved ADE singularity

[Lawrie, SSN]

For A_{2k} along $z = 0$ in a fourfold: After k blowups

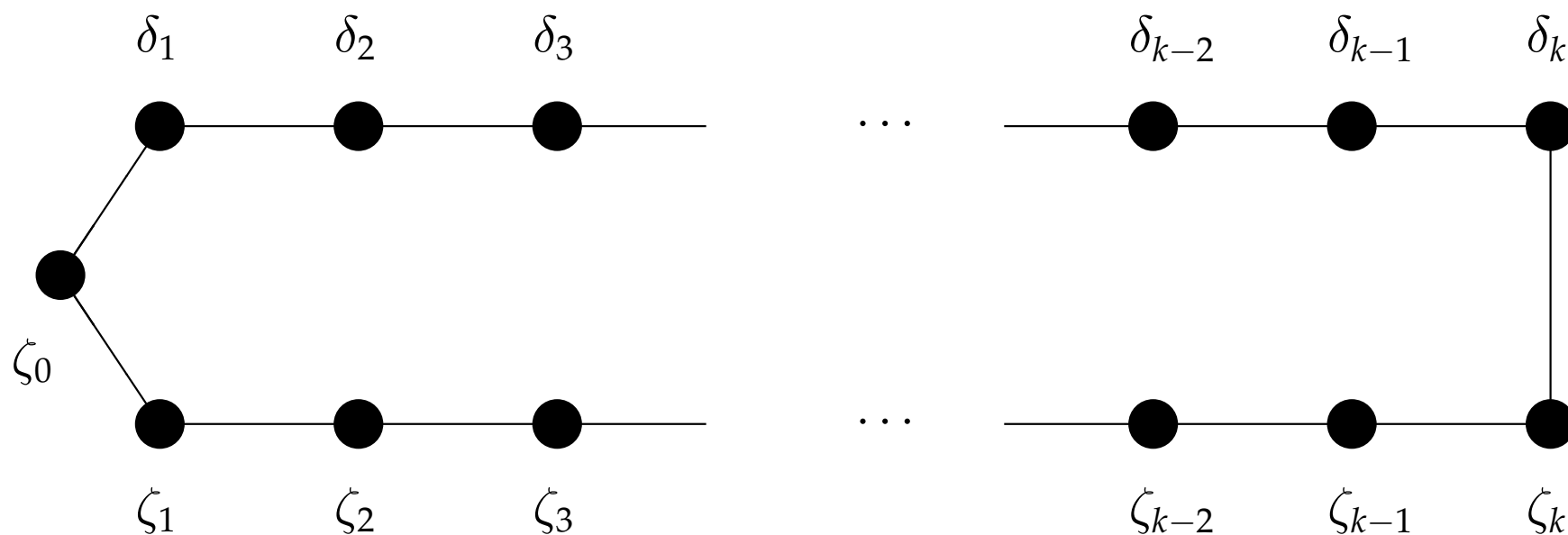
$$y \left(y + b_1 x + b_3 \zeta_0^k B(\zeta) C(\zeta) \right) \\ = \zeta_1 \cdots \zeta_{k-1} \left[\zeta_0 \zeta_k b_2 x^2 + x^3 A(\zeta) \zeta_k^k + b_4 x \zeta_0^k C(\zeta) - b_6 \zeta_0^{2k} B(\zeta) C(\zeta^2) \right]$$

- Exceptional divisors $\zeta_i = 0, i = 1, \dots, k - 1$ are reducible
 \Rightarrow Resolved in codim 1, yielding affine A_{2k} intersection graph
- Network of small resolutions:
 \Rightarrow smooth in codim 2 and 3.

Structure of Fibers for Tate Forms

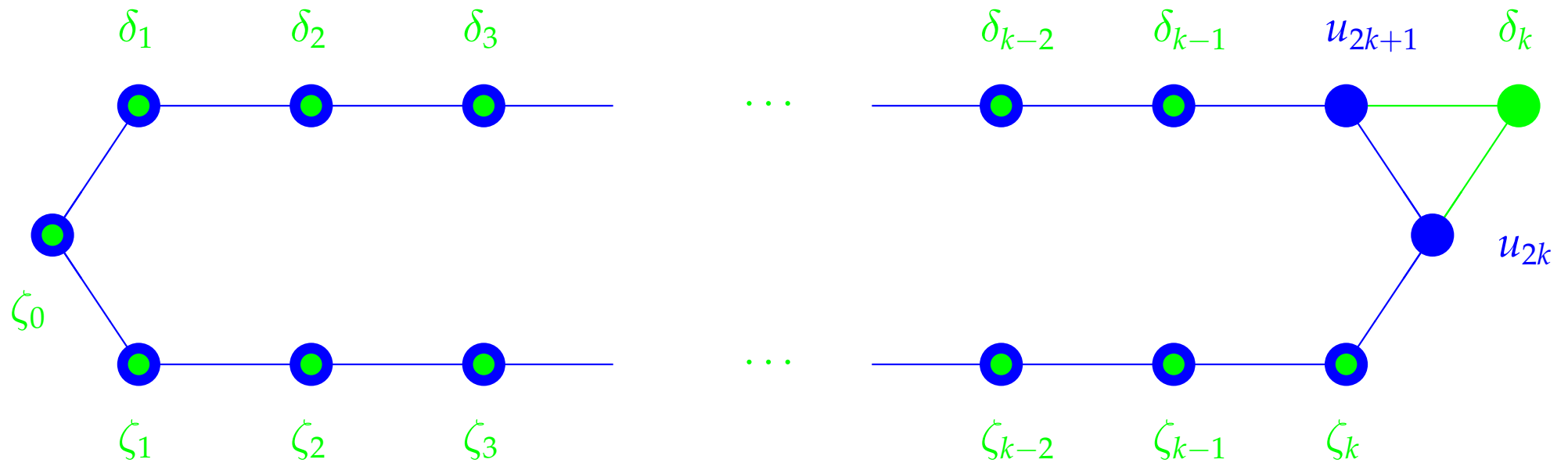
[Lawrie, SSN]

Consider for instance A_{2k} Tate Form. After resolution, the fiber in codimension 1 yields the affine A_{2k} Dynkin diagram:



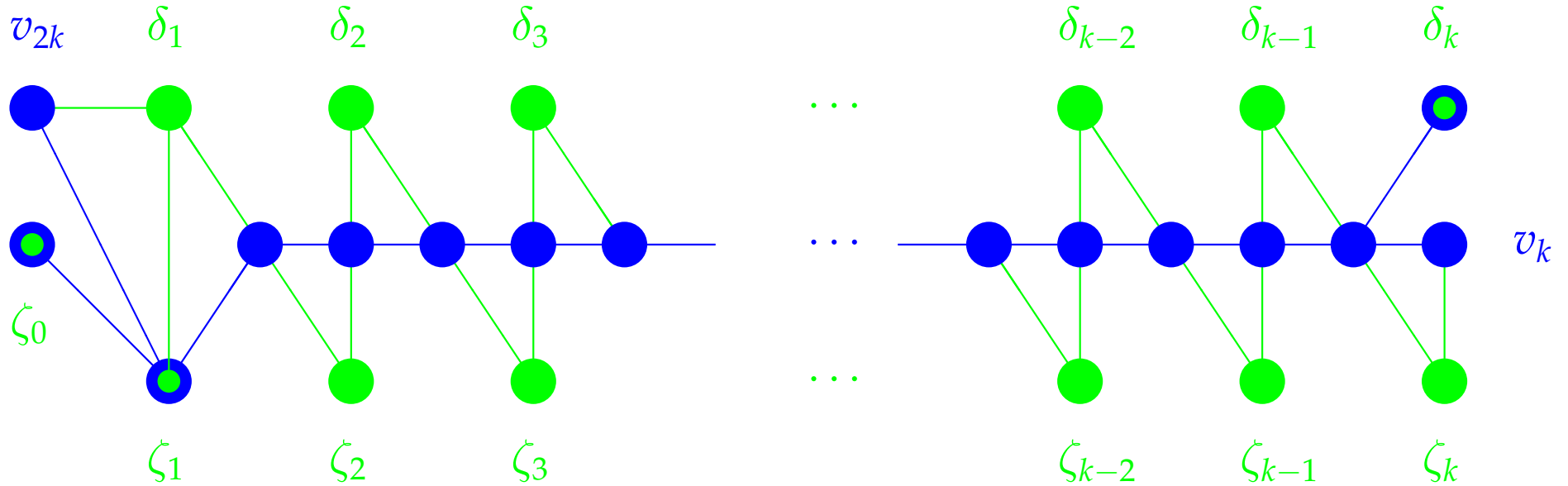
Splitting of fiber along " A_{2k+1} " Locus

New fiber components carry charges associated to $2k$ fundamental matter.



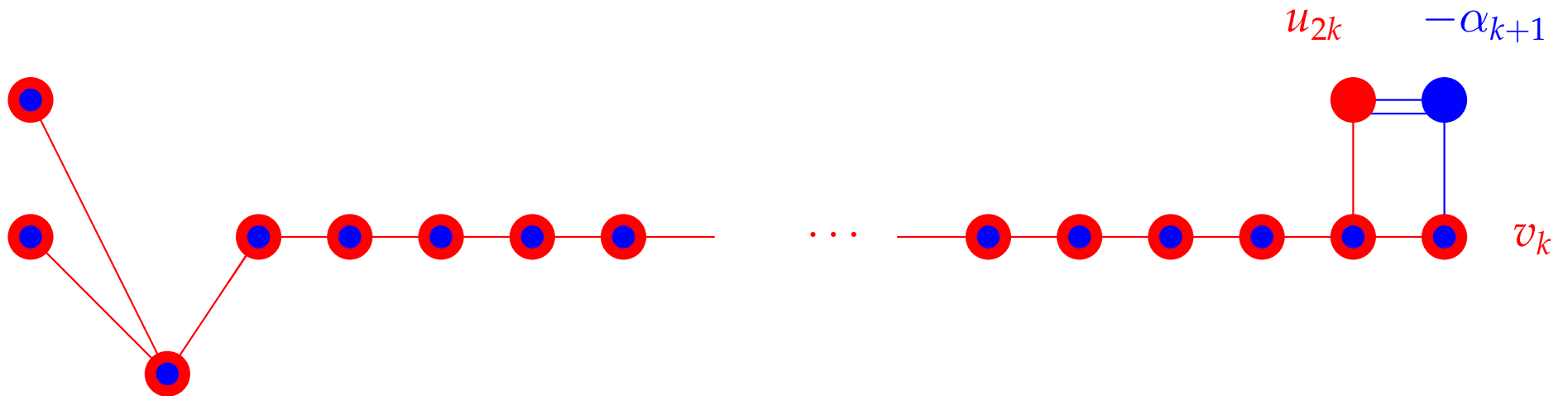
Splitting of Fiber along " D_{2k+1} " Locus

New fiber components carry charges associated to $\Lambda^2 \mathbf{2k}$ matter, however additional degrees of freedom from surface components in fiber.



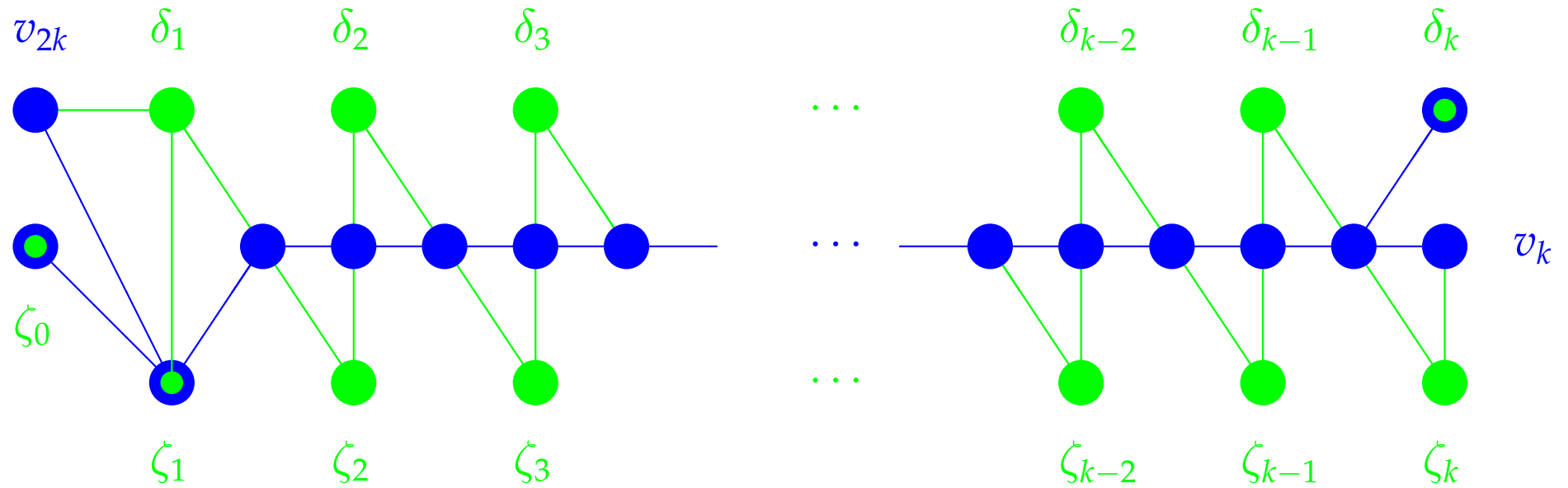
Splitting along " D_{2k+2} " Yukawa locus

Matter in $\Lambda^2 \mathbf{2k}$ splits to generate $\overline{\mathbf{2k}} \otimes \overline{\mathbf{2k}} \otimes \Lambda^2 \mathbf{2k}$ Yukawa coupling.



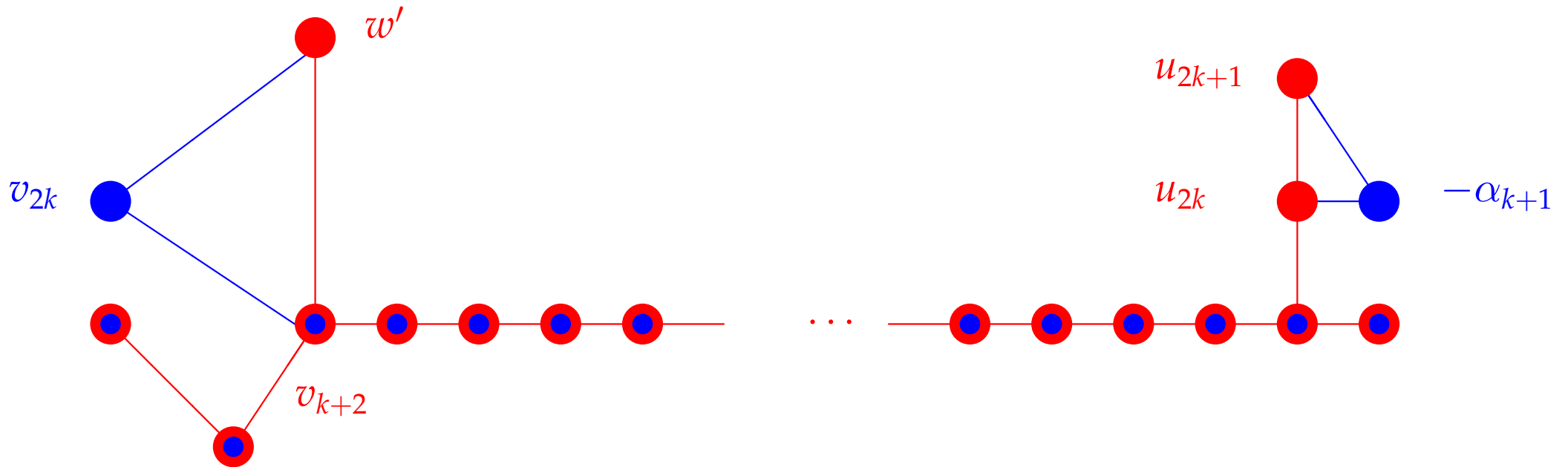
Splitting of Fiber along " D_{2k+1} " Locus

New fiber components carry charges associated to $\Lambda^2 2\mathbf{k}$ matter.



Splitting along "E" type locus

Matter in $\Lambda^2 \mathbf{2k}$ splits to generate $\overline{\Lambda^2 \mathbf{2k}} \otimes \overline{\Lambda^2 \mathbf{2k}} \otimes \Lambda^4 \mathbf{2k}$ Yukawa coupling.
 Definitely not Kodaira fiber. Group theoretic interpretation, and what additional dofs in gauge theory?



Summary: higher codimension singularity resolution

- in higher codimension, **fibers not necessarily Kodaira type**
⇒ **Non-Minimal Singularities, what additional degrees of freedom?**
- splitting of the roots is precisely of the type, that generates new curve classes, **associated to $SU(5)$ weights**
- In codim 3, the splitting is furthermore such that **Yukawas are generated**
- **Classification of fiber in all codim for ADE Tate forms, generalizing Kodaira classification in codim 1**

[Lawrie, SSN]

Tate Forms and Spectral Covers

[Marsano, Saulina,SS-N], [Marsano, SS-N], [Kuentzler, SS-N]

We've discussed local models for 7-branes wrapped on $S \times \mathbb{R}^{1,3}$

\Rightarrow What's connection to Tate forms of CY4? How to see \mathcal{C} ?

Local limit of (resolved) CY4 \tilde{Y}_4 limits to \mathcal{C}

$$y^2 = x^3 + b_5xy + b_4zx^2 + b_3z^2y + b_2z^3x + b_0z^5$$

Consider the divisor in Y_4 (and in resolution \tilde{Y}_4)

$$C_{\text{spectral}} : b_5xy + b_4zx^2 + b_3z^2y + b_2z^3x + b_0z^5 = 0$$

Limiting behavior close to $x = y = z = 0$: let $t = y/x$ and take limit $t, z \rightarrow 0$ with $z/t = \text{fixed}$

$$C_{\text{spectral}} \rightarrow t^5 \mathcal{C}$$

where $b_n|_S$ as coefficients. All the matter and Yukawa points translate precisely into the higher codimension loci in the CY4.

Additional benefits from resolution: G -flux

G -flux encodes gauge field via $(\omega_i = (1, 1)$ forms)

$$G_4 = dC_3 = F_i \wedge \omega_i$$

\Rightarrow Key to get **chirality**

Four-form $G_4 \in H^{2,2}(Y_4)$, with one leg in fiber and satisfy

$$G \wedge J = 0, \quad G + \frac{1}{2}c_2(Y_4) \in H^4(Y_4, \mathbb{Z})$$

Proper quantization requires c_2 . $(2, 2)$ forms are dual to surfaces:
construct G -fluxes from exceptional divisors of resolution

[Marsano, Saulina, SSN], [Grimm, Weigand], [Kuntzler, SSN], [Collinucci, Savelli]

Lecture 4:
Putting all this to use in model building

EXTRA SLIDES: G-flux

Local Model and Spectral Covers

The holomorphic data of the local models of interest comprise:

- $SU(N)$ Higgs bundle on surface S
 - Higgs bundle breaks E_8 to commutant: $SU(5), SO(10), E_6$
 - Specialization to spectral data of Higgs bundle
 \Rightarrow "spectral models"

$$p_{Higgs} : \mathcal{C}_{Higgs} \rightarrow S$$

- Non-abelian vector bundle V on S with $c_1(V) = 0$
 - Line bundle $\mathcal{N}_{Higgs} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_{Higgs}$ determining $V = p_{Higgs,*} \mathcal{N}_{Higgs}$
 - $c_1(\mathcal{N}_{Higgs}) = \gamma_{Higgs} + \frac{r_{Higgs}}{2}$ so that
 $p_{Higgs,*} \gamma_{Higgs} = 0$ and $r =$ ramification divisor of p_{Higgs}
 \Rightarrow spectral cover flux

Example: Local $SU(5)$ from Spectral Cover

[Donagi, Wijnholt], [Marsano, Saulina, SS-N]

[Hayashi, Kawano, Tatar, Watari]

Higgsing characterized by spectral data of ϕ
(eigenvalues λ_i)

$$E_8 \xrightarrow{\langle \phi \rangle} SU(5)_{\text{GUT}} \times U(1)^4$$

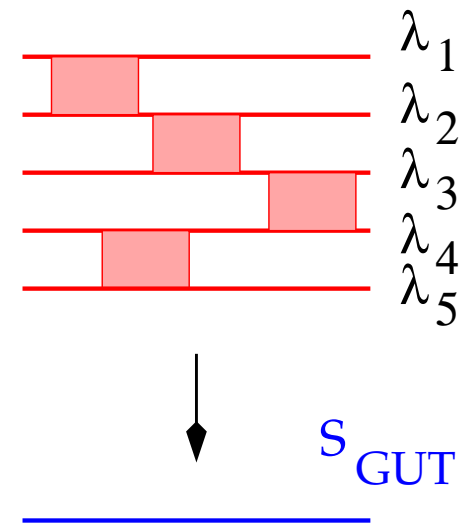
E_8 gauge theory with ϕ and A varying over S
encoded in **spectral cover** C_{Higgs}

$$\det(s - \phi) = \beta_0 s^5 + \beta_2 s^3 + \beta_3 s^2 + \beta_4 s + \beta_5 = 0$$

where $\beta_n = \beta_n(\lambda_i)$ and **spectral cover flux**

\Rightarrow Local engineering of complete MSSM

[Marsano, Saulina, SS-N]



Spectral cover flux for $SU(N)$

Realize Spectral Cover in \mathbb{P}^1 -bundle $\pi : Z = \mathbb{P}(O \oplus K_S) \rightarrow S$.

Let $\sigma =$ hyperplane class of \mathbb{P}^1 . Consider curves

$$C_{Higgs} \cdot \pi^* \Sigma \quad \text{and} \quad C_{Higgs} \cdot \sigma$$

Suitable linear combinations of these are both properly quantized and satisfy $c_1 = 0$. For example

$$\gamma = (N\sigma - \pi^*(\Sigma_N)) \cdot C_{Higgs}$$

where $\Sigma_N =$ curve at $s = 0$ in C_{Higgs} .

$\Rightarrow C_{Higgs}$ can be used to construct suitable fluxes

NB: There can be quantization subtleties for N even, e.g. $SO(10)$.

$U(1)$ symmetries and Factored Spectral Cover

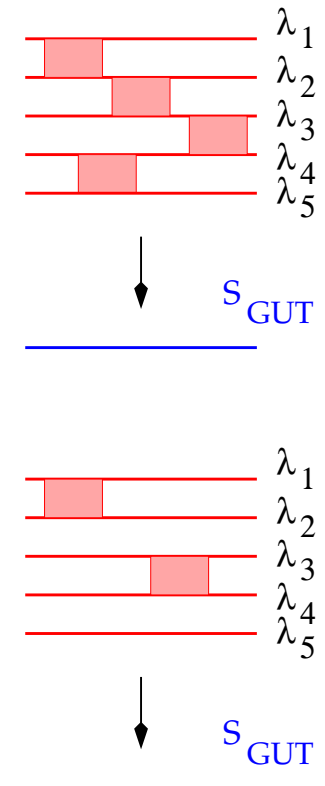
[Tatar, Tsuchiya, Watari], [Marsano, Saulina, SS-N]

Phenomenologically: require $U(1)$ s. Realization in spectral cover:

Independent gauged $U(1)$ symmetries are encoded in # factors of C_{Higgs}

$U(1)$ gauge bosons are elements in Cartan subalgebra:

- $G =$ transitive subgroup of S_5 :
only invariant combination is $\sum_{i=1}^5 \lambda_i = 0$
 \Rightarrow no gauged $U(1)$
- λ_i in **reducible** representation of G :
 C_{10} factors into N components $\Rightarrow (N - 1)$
gauged $U(1)$ s
 $\Rightarrow C_{Higgs} = \prod_i C_i$



Global version: Spectral Divisor

[Marsano, Saulina,SS-N], [Marsano, SS-N], [Kuentlzer, SS-N]

A few subtleties:

Firstly: There is in fact a whole family of divisors $C_{spectral}$. Single out the one that

- Reduces to spectral divisor C_{Higgs} in the vicinity of S
- Additional $U(1)$: **Factored** $C_{spectral} = C_{spectral}^{(m)} C_{spectral}^{(n)}$

Global version: Spectral Divisor

[Marsano, Saulina,SS-N], [Marsano, SS-N], [Kuentlzer, SS-N]

Secondly: For general $SU(N)$ covers, the Tate form is not the right place to start, as it will not give rise to the Higgs bundle spectral covers, e.g. for E_6

$$E_6 : \quad \beta_6 s^3 + \beta_4 s - \beta_3 = 0$$

Define **spectral form**, which is

G	Spectral form	of singularity
E_7	y^2	$= x^3 + b_4 z^3 x + b_6 z^5$
E_6	$y^2 + b_3 z^2 y$	$= x^3 + b_4 z^3 x + b_6 z^5$
$SO(10)$	$y^2 + b_3 z^2 y$	$= x^3 + b_2 z x^2 + b_4 z^3 x + b_6 z^5$
$SU(5)$	$y^2 + b_1 x y + b_3 z^2 y$	$= x^3 + b_2 z x^2 + b_4 z^3 x + b_6 z^5$
$SO(11)$	y^2	$= x^3 + b_2 z x^2 + b_4 z^3 x + b_6 z^5$

As usual: Construction checked to be consistent with het/F.

Putting the Spectral Divisor to use: Global G-flux

(2, 2) forms in CY4 is dual to a surfaces

\Rightarrow construct G-flux from holomorphic surfaces D_{G_4}

Recall: spectral flux from curves dual to $\gamma \in H^{1,1}(C_{Higgs})$. Likewise

$$D_{G_4} \quad \text{dual to} \quad G_4 \in H^{2,2}(C_{spectral})$$

More precisely: construct D_{G_4} from $C_{spectral}$ from

- Line bundle $\mathcal{N}_{spectral} \rightarrow C_{spectral}$
- Generalization of ramification divisor \mathcal{L}_r to map $p_{spectral} : C_{spectral} \rightarrow B_3$

to construct

$$G_4 = \iota_{spectral,*} \left(c_1(\mathcal{N}_{spectral}) - \frac{c_1(\mathcal{L}_r)}{2} \right)$$

Spectral Divisor and G-flux

So – like in the spectral flux case – consider surfaces

$$\mathcal{S}_D = C_{spectral} \cdot D, \quad D = \text{divisors in } B_3$$

and \mathcal{S}_σ defined as containing in the local limit $C_{Higgs} \cdot \sigma$.

Again, suitable linear combinations of these give correctly quantized global G-flux

$$G = \frac{1}{2}(2n + 1) (N\mathcal{S}_\sigma - \mathcal{S}_{p^*(\Sigma_N)})$$

- Direct generalization of local spectral cover fluxes
- Can get a brute force $U(1)$ from factored $C_{spectral}$

$$G = \left(nC_{spectral}^{(m)} - mC_{spectral}^{(n)} \right) \cdot D - G_0 \quad \sim \quad \omega \wedge F \quad \text{for } F = U(1) \text{ gauge flux}$$

$G_0 = \text{surface}$, ensures that G is \perp to horizontal and vertical divisors in Y_4 .

Checks: "Brute force" G-flux from holomorphic surfaces

From the resolved geometry, the proposal using spectral divisor can be directly checked.

(2, 2) forms in CY4 is dual to holomorphic surfaces

⇒ G-flux from holomorphic surfaces, orthogonal to vertical and horizontal divisors, i.e. miss surfaces that contain fiber or sit in base

⇒ G-flux from D_{G_4} satisfying

$$D_{G_4} \cdot \sigma_{global} \cdot D_1 = 0, \quad D_{G_4} \cdot D_1 \cdot D_2 = 0$$

D_i = pullbacks of divisors in B

In resolved CY4:

G can be properly **quantized** from computation of $c_2(\text{CY4})$ and D_{G_4} **construction from exceptional divisors** of resolution.

⇒ reproduce the construction via spectral divisor.