

F-Theory GUTs and Discrete Symmetry

Supersymmetry: from M-Theory to the LHC

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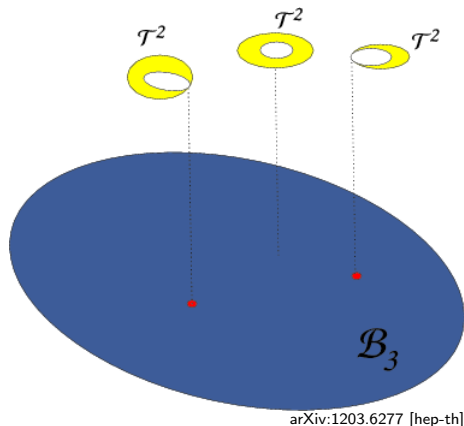
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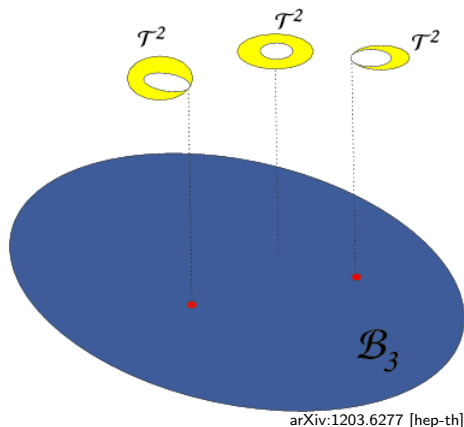
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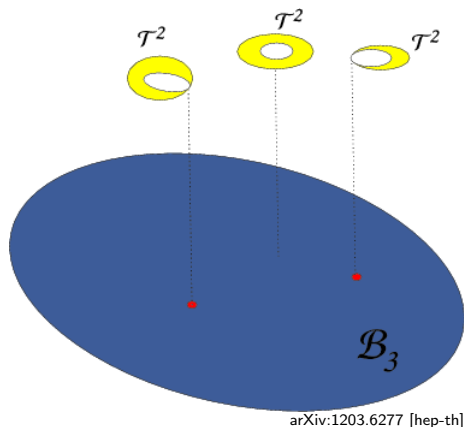


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Similarly, we have a way to determine our five-curves of the GUT group:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{10} c_n s^{10-n} = b_0 \prod_{i < j} (s - t_i - t_j)$$

$$R = b_3^2 b_4 - b_2 b_3 b_5 + b_0 b_5^2 \propto \prod_{i < j} (t_i + t_j).$$

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Assuming the quadratic part cannot be factorised in the same field as the original b_k coefficients, the two roots can be shown to be:

$$\begin{aligned} s_{\pm} &= \frac{-a_2 \pm \sqrt{w}}{2a_3} \\ w &= e^{i\theta} |w| \\ \sqrt{w} &= e^{i\theta/2} \sqrt{|w|} \end{aligned}$$

Under $\theta \rightarrow \theta + 2\pi$, the roots interchange: they are related by the action.

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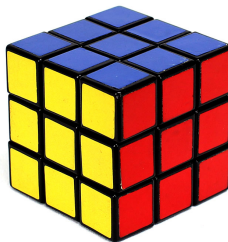
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10 _b	a_6	χ	$+N$	t_5
5 _c	$a_2^2 a_7 + a_2 a_3 a_6 \mp a_0 a_1 a_6^2$	$2\eta - 7c_1 - \chi$	$-N$	$2t_1$
5 _d	$a_3 a_6^2 + (a_2 a_6 + a_1 a_7) a_7$	$\eta - 3c_1 + \chi$	$+N$	$t_1 + t_5$

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When we factorise the spectral cover in any way, the resulting parts must be consistent with this symmetry. Consider:

$$\begin{aligned}C_5 &\rightarrow C_4 \times C_1 \\ a_n &\rightarrow e^{i(3-n)\phi} a_n\end{aligned}$$

For a given choice of $\phi = \frac{2\pi}{N}$, the coefficients of the split spectral cover will transform differently. This can be used to give a matter parity in non-*ad hoc* way.

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Consider $N = 2$:

$$a_n \rightarrow e^{i(3-n)\pi} a_n$$

This will give a parity that alternates:

$$a_1, a_3, a_5, a_7 \rightarrow -$$

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While the defining equation of the 10s of the GUT group is:

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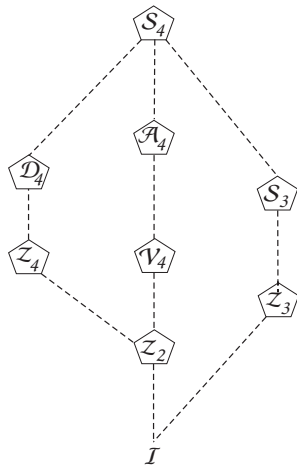
So the curves naturally have different parities.

a_n	$N = 2$	$N = 3$	$N = 4$	$N = 5$
a_1	—	α^2	β^2	γ^2
a_2	+	α	β	γ
a_3	—	1	1	1
a_4	+	α^2	β^3	γ^4
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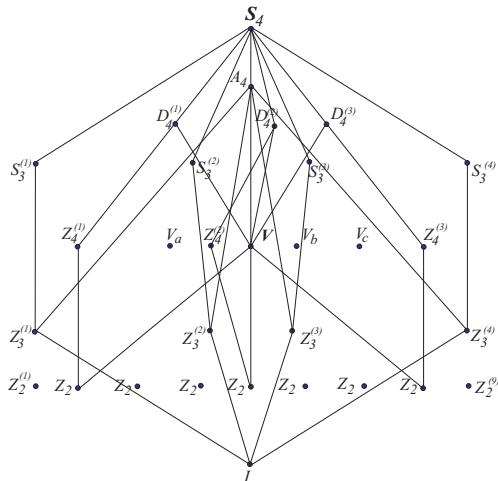
We are of course free to experiment with other choices for N .

In each case, we also have some freedom to use the phases we discarded for this example. This will shift $a_{1,\dots,5}$ or $a_{6,7}$ depending on phase choice.

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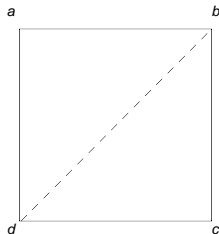
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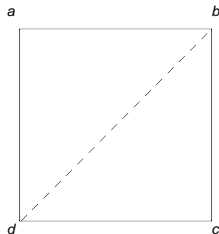
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$$\rightarrow 1_{++} + 1_{+-} + 2$$

Must assume some form of matter curve multifurcation to reconcile.

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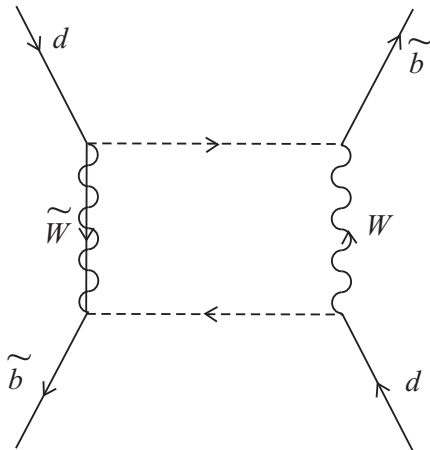
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Neutron-antineutron oscillations are a seldom considered for BSM physics.

According to Goity and Sher, the dominant process is a boxgraph with W boson and gaugino exchange.

Using this a bound can be set on the coupling λ_{dbu} , coupling to the third generation. This contribution should be largest due to factors of m_b^2/m_W^2 in the decay rate.



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The decay rate for the box process is [hep-ph/9412208]:

$$\Gamma = -\frac{3g^4\lambda_{dbu}^2 M_{\tilde{b}_{LR}}^2 m_{\tilde{W}}}{8\pi^2 M_{\tilde{b}_L}^4 M_{\tilde{b}_R}^4} |\psi(0)|^2 \sum_{j,j'}^{u,c,t} \xi_{jj'} J(M_{\tilde{W}}^2, M_W^2, M_{u_j}^2, M_{\tilde{u}_{j'}}^2)$$
$$J(m_1, m_2, m_3, m_4) = \sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{m_i^4 \ln(m_i^2)}{\prod_{k \neq i} (m_i^2 - m_k^2)}$$

The experimental bounds on the oscillation time are: $\tau = 1/\Gamma \gtrsim 10^8$

Using the data, along with other known inputs, it is possible to calculate the limits on the coupling. We take $M_{\tilde{b}_L} = M_{\tilde{b}_R} = 500\text{GeV}$, scanning over the parameter space of the stop mass.

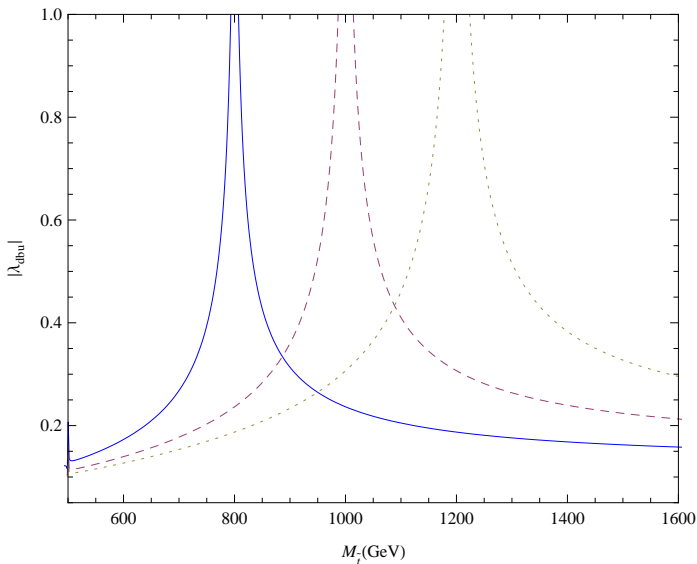


Figure: Bounds on λ_{dbu} using the latest experimental limits. Blue: $M_{\tilde{u}} = M_{\tilde{c}} = 800 \text{ GeV}$, Dashed: $M_{\tilde{u}} = M_{\tilde{c}} = 1000 \text{ GeV}$, Dotted: $M_{\tilde{u}} = M_{\tilde{c}} = 1200 \text{ GeV}$.

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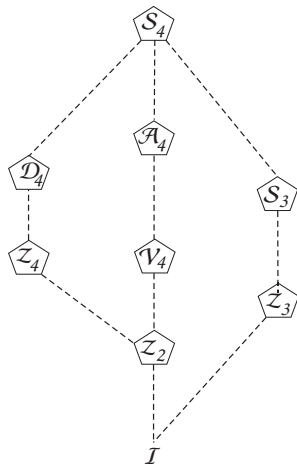
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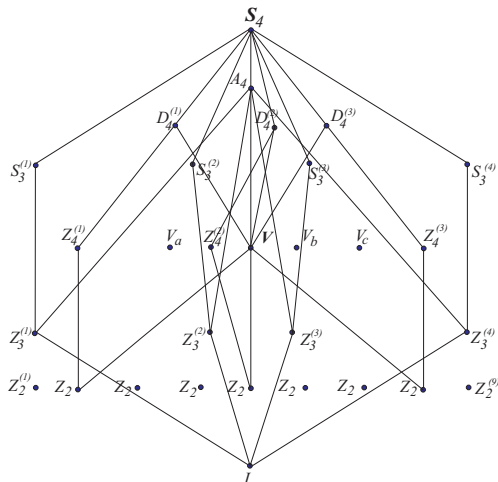
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Implement a model with geometric parity based on existing example:
Dudas & Palti [arXiv:1005.5728].

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Parameter choices to replicate model of D&P:

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$$N_2 = M_{10_3} = M_{5_1} = 1 = -M_{10_5} = -M_{5_3}$$

$$M_{10_1} = 3 = -M_{5_{13}}$$

Original model had *ad hoc* parity assignment

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10_5	t_5	$-Q - 2e^c$	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-
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5_{35}	$-t_3 - t_5$	$-\overline{H}_d$	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	-
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- Do exotic processes occur at high rates?
- Operators invariant under $SU(5)_\perp$ charges and the Geometric parity?

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Clear problem: can't eliminate dangerous BRPV terms while also integrating out the D_u/D_d matter - θ_1 , θ_8 or both in all $D_u D_d$ terms.

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Large parameter space of models to scan, with many possibilities for interesting physics, but difficult to pin down viable models.

One good option is MSSM-like

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Table: Matter content for a model with the standard matter parity arising from a geometric parity assignment.

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The mass matrix is rank 3, with suppressions, ϵ due to the so-called rank theorem, helping to give a hierarchy.

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The combination of these operators should reduce the hierarchy and increase mixing for neutrinos.

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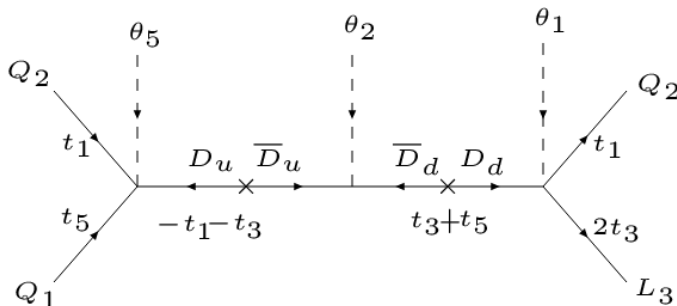
The model has the interesting feature of requiring two copies of the Higgs

$$5_{13} \cdot \bar{5}_{35} \cdot \theta_2 \rightarrow M_{ij} H_u^i H_d^j \rightarrow M \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_h^2 & \epsilon_h \\ \epsilon_h & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} H_u^1 \\ H_u^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} H_d^1 & H_d^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

The rank theorem tells us that because they are on the same matter curve, only one gets a mass, while the others must have suppressed mass terms: one Higgs will be light, with another having a mass close to the GUT scale.

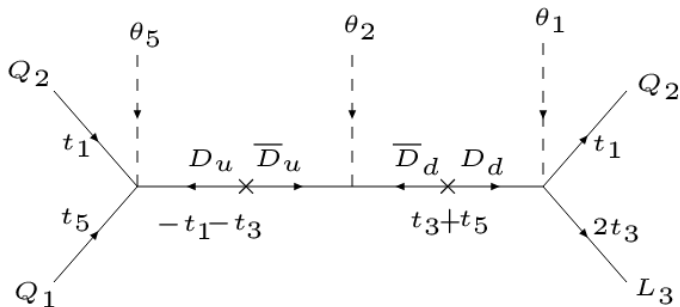
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$$(a_1 + a_2 s + a_3 s^2) = 0$$
$$s_{\pm} = \frac{-a_2 \pm \sqrt{a_2^2 - 4a_1 a_3}}{2a_3}$$

we see that since $\sqrt{a_2^2 - 4a_1 a_3} = e^{i\theta/2} \sqrt{|a_2^2 - 4a_1 a_3|}$, under $\theta \rightarrow \theta + 2\pi$, the two solutions interchange.

Since we do not know anything about the global geometry, in semi-local F-theory we must choose our monodromy group.

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If we then let:

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The transformation is then of the Z_N type. C_5 will gain a phase, however, if it is factorised into say $C_5 \rightarrow C_4 \times C_1$, the coefficients a_n will transform differently.

D_4 from F-theory

Consider $N = 2$:

$$a_n \rightarrow e^{i(3-n)\pi} a_n$$

This will give a parity that alternates:

$$a_1, a_3, a_5, a_7 \rightarrow -$$

$$a_2, a_4, a_6 \rightarrow +$$

While the defining equation of the 10s of the GUT group is:

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So the curves naturally have different parities.

a_n	$N = 2$	$N = 3$	$N = 4$	$N = 5$
a_1	—	α^2	β^2	γ^2
a_2	+	α	β	γ
a_3	—	1	1	1
a_4	+	α^2	β^3	γ^4
a_5	—	α	β^2	γ^3
a_6	+	1	β	γ^2
a_7	—	α^2	1	γ

We are of course free to experiment with other choices for N .

In each case, we also have some freedom to use the phases we discarded for this example. This will shift $a_{1,\dots,5}$ or $a_{6,7}$ depending on phase choice.

Name	Charge	All possible assignments							
θ_1	$\pm(t_1 - t_3)$	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	-
θ_2	$\pm(t_1 - t_5)$	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
θ_3	0	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-
θ_4	0	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
θ_5	$\pm(t_3 - t_5)$	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	-
θ_6	0	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-
θ_7	$\pm(t_1 - t_5)$	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	-
θ_8	$\pm(t_1 - t_3)$	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	-

Table: Singlet curves and their perpendicular charges and geometric parity