

F-theory on Quotient Elliptic Threefolds

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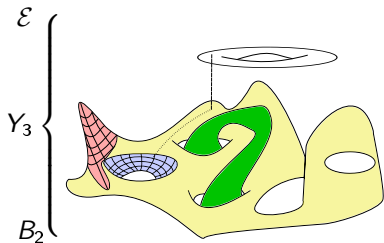
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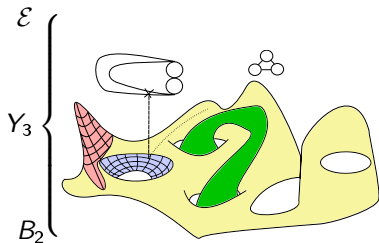


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- Y_3 **smooth**: Resolve the singularity \rightarrow additional divisors [Kodaira, Tate]
- Curves in intersect like affine **ADE Dynkin diagram** \rightarrow **Gauge algebra**
- 6d SUGRA **anomaly cancellation automatic** [Sodov; Grassi, Morrison]

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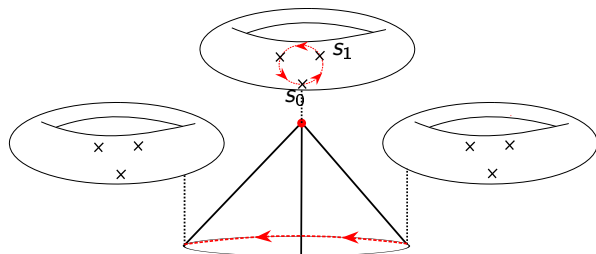
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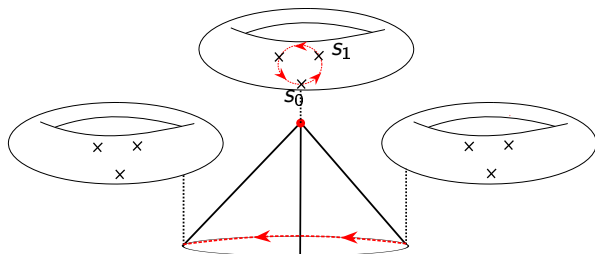


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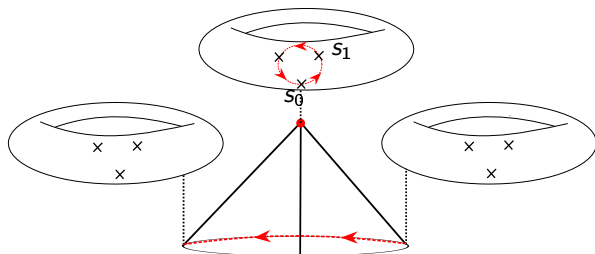
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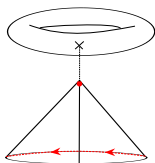
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- **Smooth Quotient** $Y_{loc} = (T^2 \times \mathbb{C}^2)/\Gamma_n$ **identifies** all these points $s_0 \sim s_i$ over base orbifold
- No well defined n -section and a **multiple fiber** [Gross; de Boer, Dijkgraaf, Hori, Keurentjes, Morgan, Morrison, Sethi; Bhardwaj, Del Zotto, Heckman, Morrison, Rudelius, Vafa]

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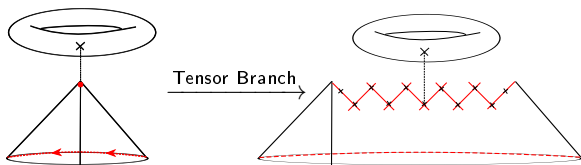
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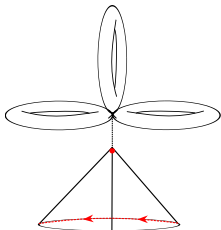
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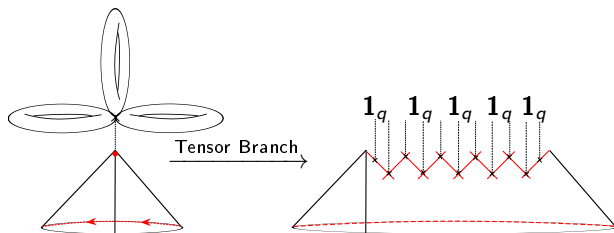
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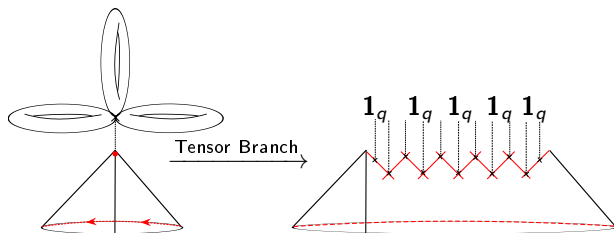
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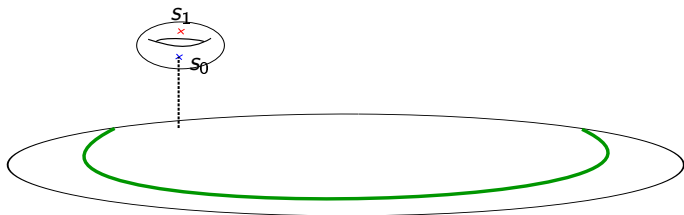
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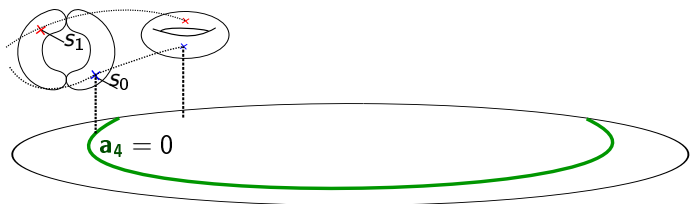
Extend to a global geometry

- The base B_2 must have an \mathbb{Z}_n **automorphism**
- Fibration needs **additional sections** with global shift symmetry
 → Finite order **Mordell-Weil** group $MW(Y_3) \ni \mathbb{Z}_n$
- **Example:** \mathbb{Z}_2 torsion Weierstrass model: [Aspinwall, Morrison]

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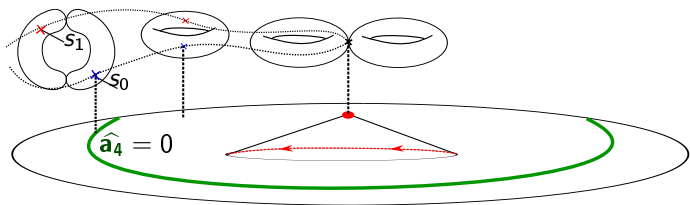
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- **Torsion forces** the presence of $SU(2)/\mathbb{Z}_2 \sim SO(3)$ over $\mathbf{a}_4 = 0$
[Aspinwall, Morrison/Till, Mayrhofer, Weigand]
- **Torsion relation** induced by intersection of $SU(2)$ res. divisor by s_1
- **Charged hypermultiplet spectrum:** $3 \times g_{\mathbf{a}_4}$ the only matter

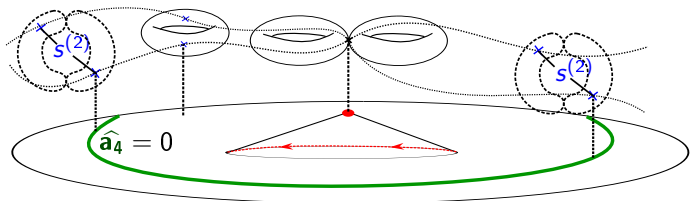
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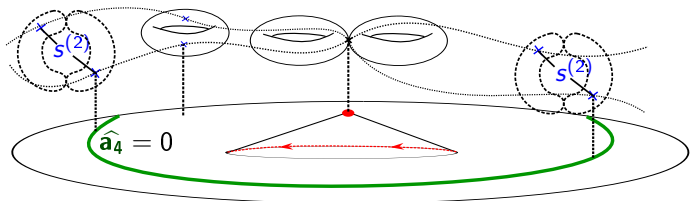
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State of the Art: \mathbb{Z}_6 quotient of the Schoen manifold [Bouchard, Donagi'06]

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- Anomalies canceled:** $H - V + 29T_{(1,0)} + 30\mathcal{A}_n - 273 = 0 \checkmark$