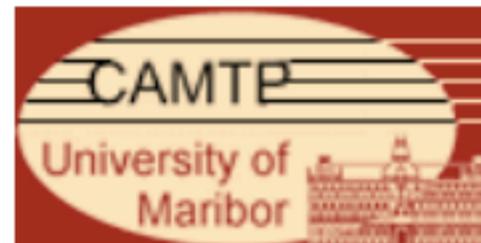


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Abelian and Discrete Symmetries in F-theory Compactifications

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Topics, closely related to Ron's numerous contributions at the interface with physics, including recent "mini-revolution" in F-theory compactification.

As a colleague at Penn, he is generous and patient, teaching physicists, including myself, aspects of algebraic geometry.

Resulted in my collaboration with him on heterotic string theory & F-theory, including one topic of this talk.

Wishing you a Happy 60th Birthday!

Outline:

I. Motivation: F-theory & Particle Physics

Geometry of Singular Elliptically Fibered Calabi-Yau Manifolds

building blocks \rightarrow non-Abelian gauge symmetry, matter, coupl.
particle physics models \rightarrow highlight 3-family Standard Model

II. Formal Developments:

Abelian Symmetries $U(1)^n$ – elliptic fibrations with
rational sections & Mordell Weil group

Discrete Symmetries Z_n – genus-one fibrations with
multi-sections & Tate-Shafarevich group

Overview – Upenn-centric

F-Theory Compactifications with Abelian Symmetries

[Elliptic Fibrations with n -rational sections - $U(1)^n \leftrightarrow \text{rk } n$ Mordell-Weil (MW) Group]

Based on:

arXiv:1303.6970 [hep-th]: M. C., Denis Klevers, Hernan Piragua

arXiv:1307.6425 [hep-th]: M. C., D. Klevers, H. Piragua

([rk 2 MW on Calabi-Yau threefolds \$\rightarrow U\(1\)^2\$](#))

arXiv:1306.0236 [hep-th]: M. C., Antonella Grassi, D. Klevers, H. Piragua

([rk 2 MW on Calabi-Yau fourfolds; inclusion of flux](#))

arXiv:1310.0463 [hep-th]: M.C., D. Klevers, H. Piragua, Peng Song

([rk 3 MW](#))

arXiv:1503.02068 [hep-th]: M.C., D.Klevers, Damian. M.Peña,

([particle physics models](#)) P. Konstantin Oehlmann, Jonas Reuter

arXiv:1507.05954 [hep-th]: M.C. D. Klevers, H. Piragua, Wati Taylor

([rk 2 MW and "un-Higgsing"](#))

 related

F-Theory Compactifications with Discrete Symmetries

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Based on:

arXiv:1502.6970[hep-th]:

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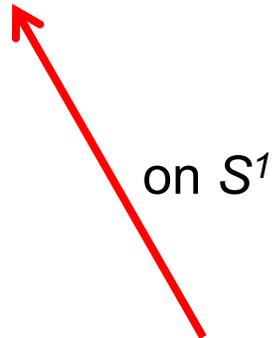
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M-theory (11dim SG)



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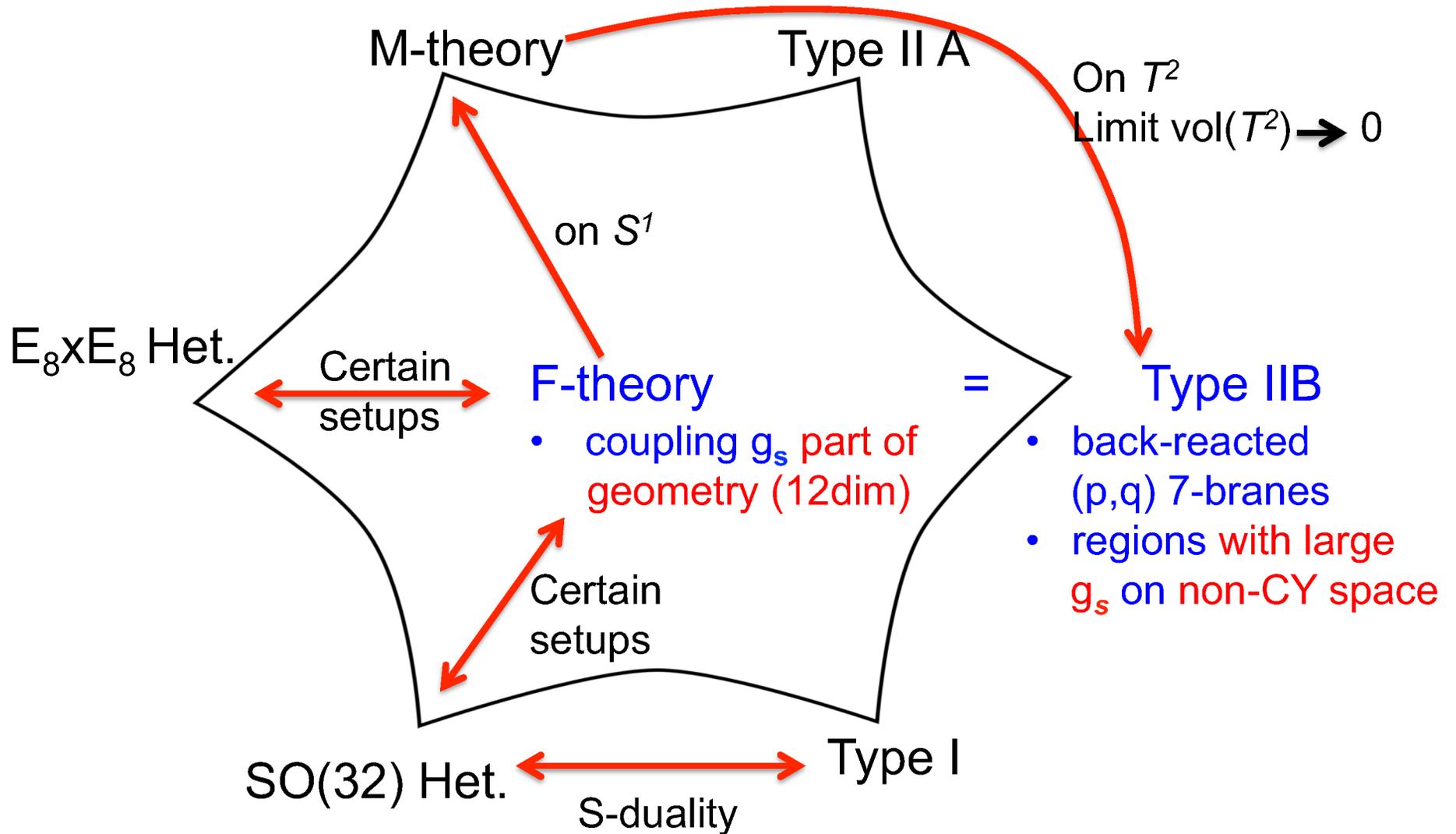
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F-theory & Particle Physics

MOTIVATION

F-Theory Motivation

Physics: a broad domain of non-perturbative string theory landscape with new promising particle physics & cosmology

- $SU(5)$ GUT couplings that are absent in perturbative string theory w/ D-branes, e.g., 10^5
- appearance of exceptional gauge symmetries (E_6)

- [Donagi, Wijnholt'08]
- [Beasley, Heckman, Vafa'08]....

Geometry: geometric description at large string coupling in terms singular elliptically fibered Calabi-Yau manifolds

- Determine discrete data:
gauge symmetry, matter reps. & multiplicities, Yukawa couplings

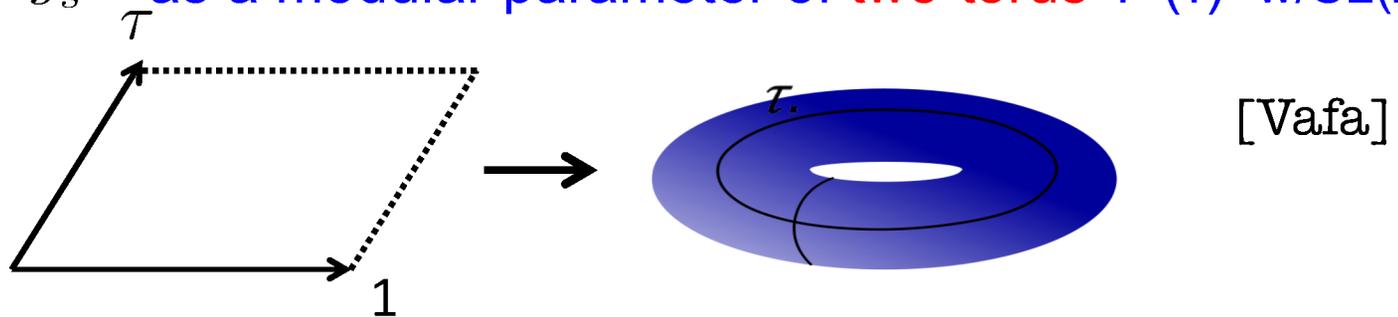
Type IIB perspective

F-THEORY BASIC INGREDIENTS

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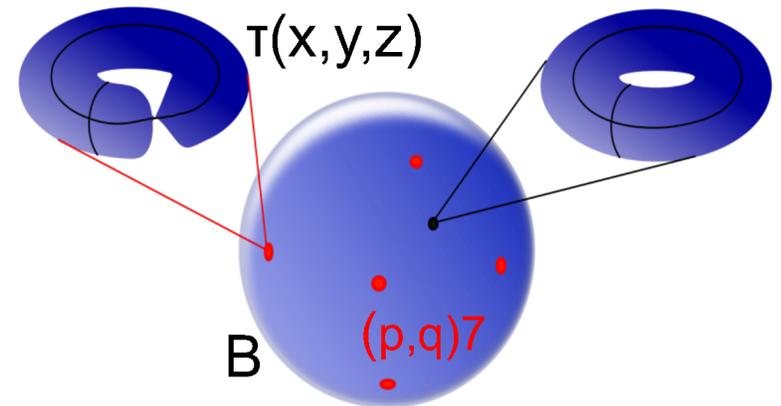
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Weierstrass form:

$$y^2 = x^3 + fxz^4 + gz^6$$

f, g - function fields on B

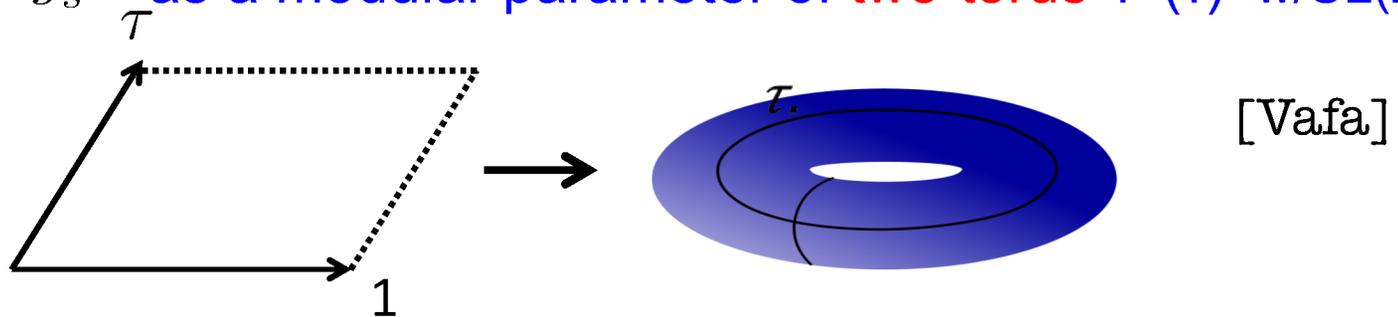
$[z:x:y]$ homog. coords on $\mathbf{P}^2(1,2,3)$



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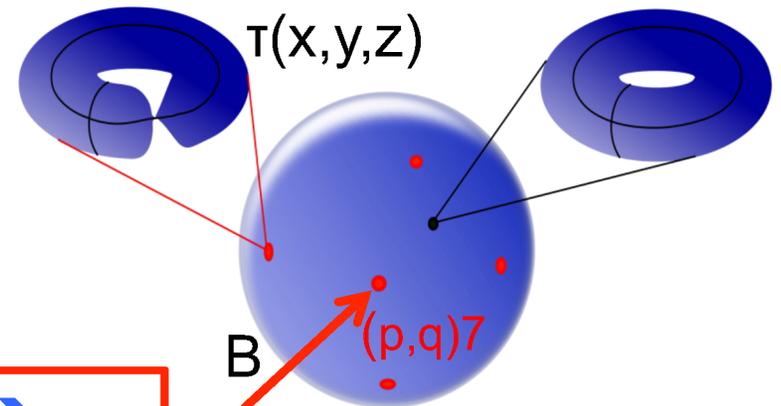
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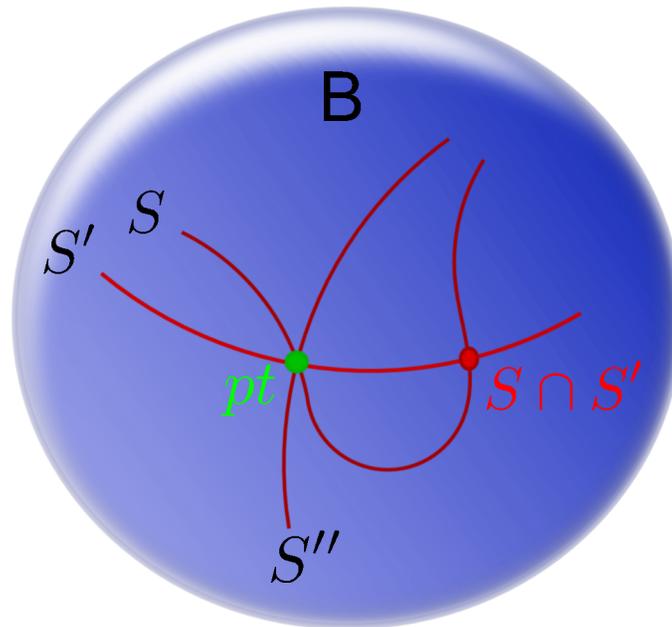
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singular $T^2(\tau)$ -fibr. $\rightarrow g_s \rightarrow \infty$
 location of (p,q) 7-branes

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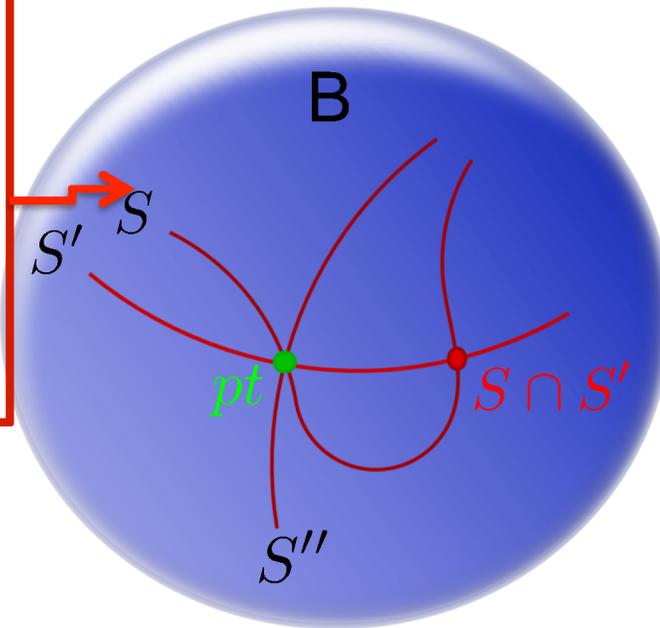
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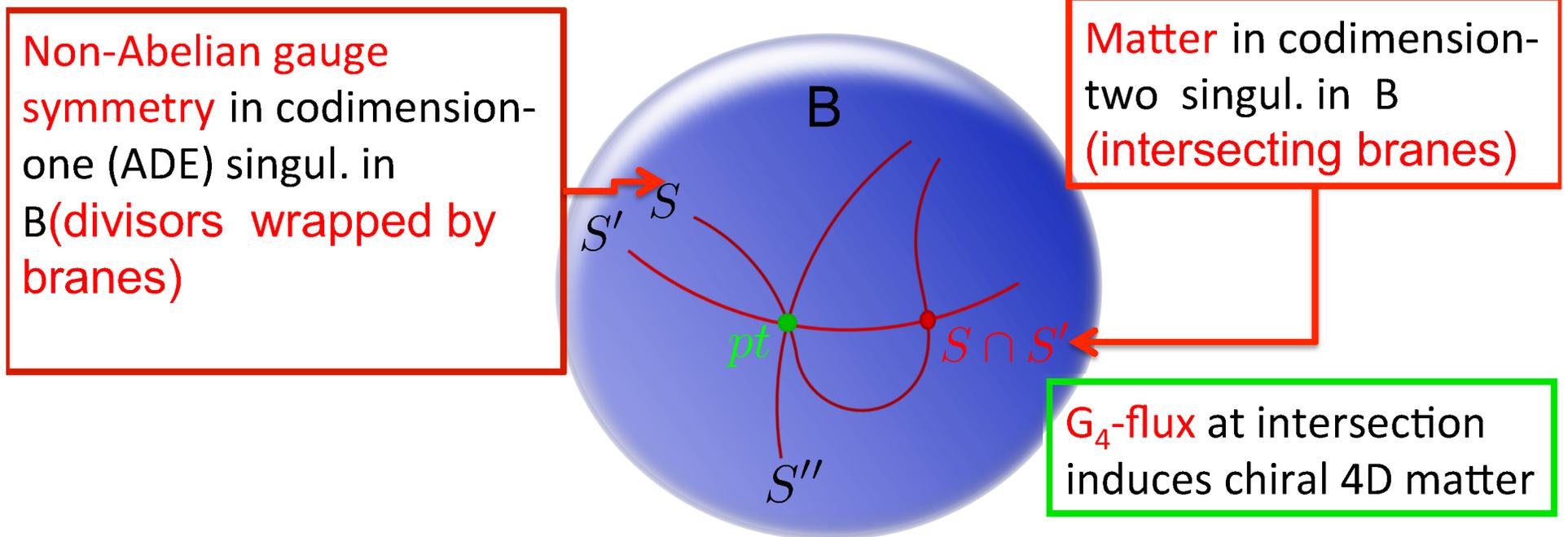
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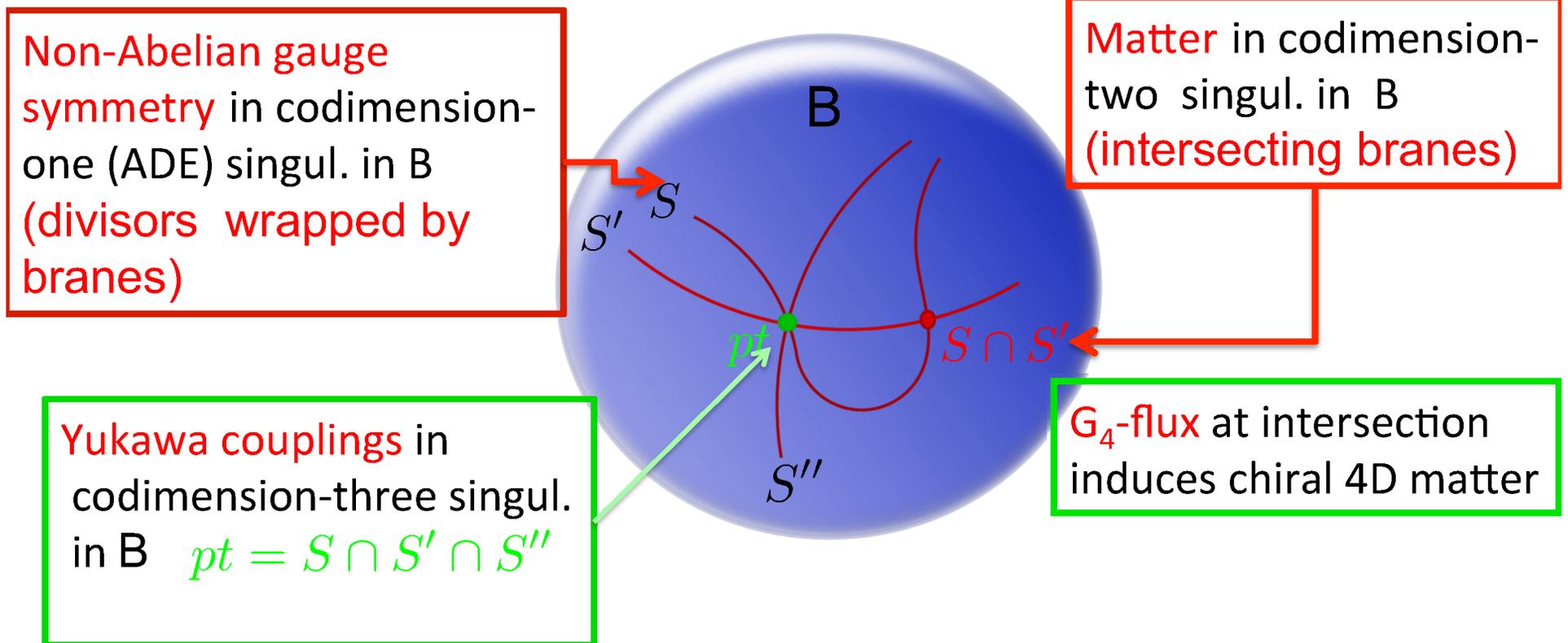
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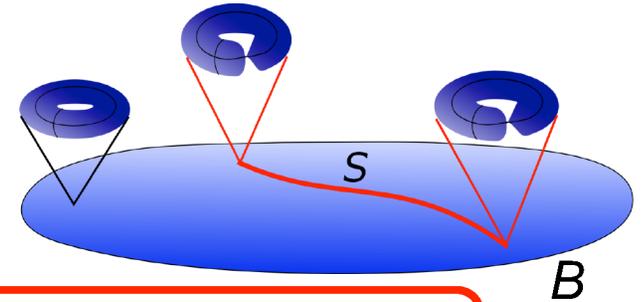
Highlights: Non-Abelian Gauge Symmetry

[Kodaira; Tate; Vafa; Morrison, Vafa;...]

1. Weierstrass form for elliptic fibration of X

$$y^2 = x^3 + fxz^4 + gz^6$$

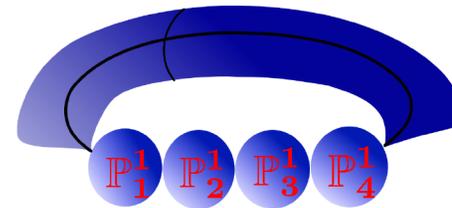
2. Severity of singularity along divisor S in B :



$[ord_S(f), ord_S(g), ord_S(\Delta)] \leftrightarrow$ Singularity type of fibration of X

3. Resolution: singularity type \leftrightarrow structure of a tree of \mathbb{P}^1 's over S

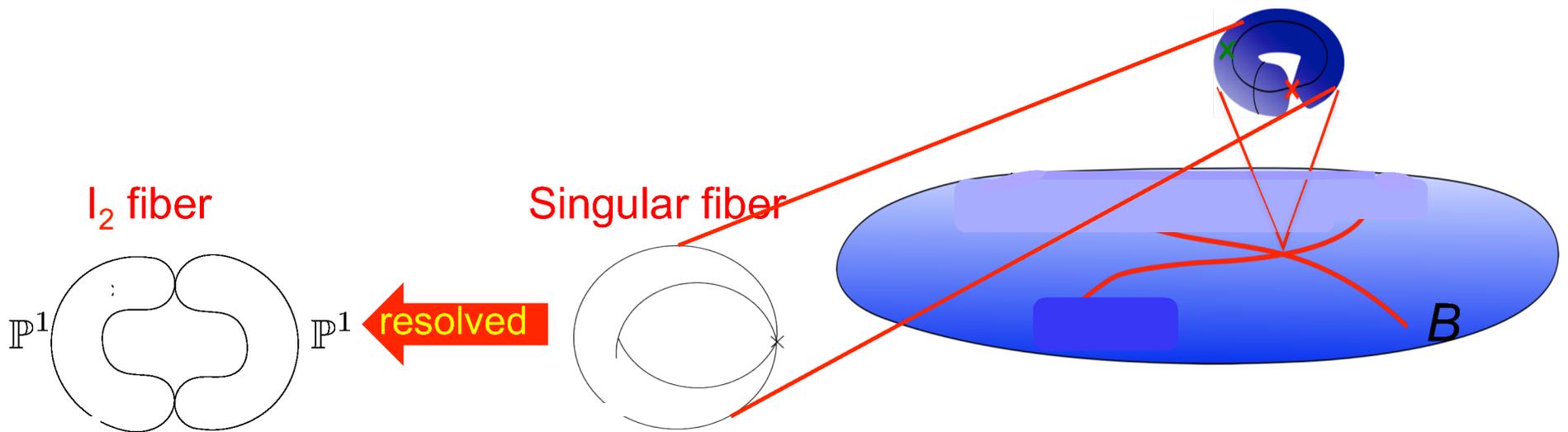
I_n -singularity \leftrightarrow $SU(n)$ Dynkin diagram



- Cartan generators for A^i gauge bosons: in M-theory via Kaluza-Klein (KK) reduction of C_3 potential along (1,1)-forms $\omega_i \leftrightarrow \mathbb{P}_i^1$ on resolved X
 $C_3 \supset A^i \omega_i$
- Non-Abelian generators: light M2-brane excitations on \mathbb{P}^1 's [Witten]

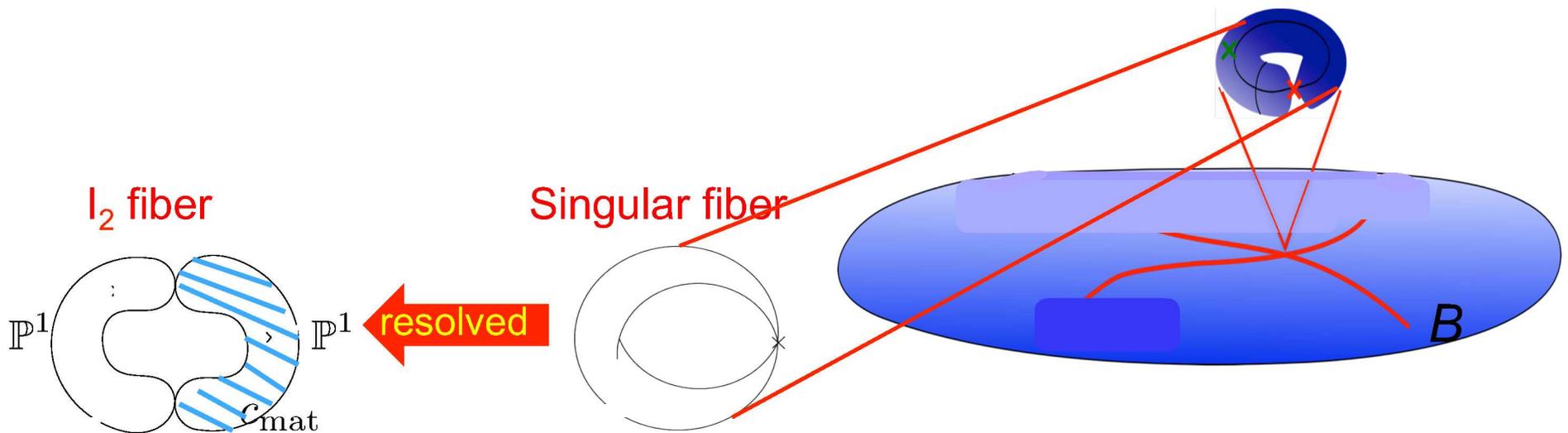
Highlights: Matter

Singularity at codimension-two in B :



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Singularity at codimension-two in B :



w/isolated (M2-matter) curve wrapping $\mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow$ charged matter
(determined via intersection theory)

Initial focus: F-theory with SU(5) Grand Unification

[Donagi, Wijnholt'08][Beasley, Heckman, Vafa'08]...

Model Constructions:

local [Donagi, Wijnholt'09-10]...[Marsano, Schäfer-Nameki, Saulina'09-11]...

Review: [Heckman]

global

[Blumehagen, Grimm, Jurke, Weigand'09][M.C., Garcia-Etxebarria, Halverson'10]...

[Marsano, Schäfer-Nameki'11-12]...[Clemens, Marsano, Pantev, Raby, Tseng'12]...

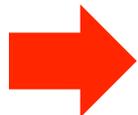
c.f., Clemens's talk

Recent progress on other Particle Physics Models:

Standard Model building blocks (via toric techniques) [Lin, Weigand'14]

First Global 3-family Standard, Pati-Salam, Trinification Models

[M.C., Klevers, Peña, Oehlmann, Reuter 1503.02068]



highlights

I. Particle Physics & F-theory

concrete examples

Torus Fibrations via Toric Geometry Techniques:

- i. Torus = elliptic curve \mathcal{C}_{F_i} as a Calabi-Yau hypersurface in the two-dimensional toric variety \mathbb{P}_{F_i} (associated with 16 reflexive polytopes F_i):

$$\mathcal{C}_{F_i} = \{p_{F_i} = 0\} \text{ in } \mathbb{P}_{F_i}$$

[Toric variety \mathbb{P}_{F_i} as a generalized projective space $\mathbb{P}_{F_i} = \frac{\mathbb{C}^{m+2} \setminus \text{SR}}{(\mathbb{C}^*)^m}$

(blow-ups of \mathbb{P}^2) w/ \mathcal{C}_{F_i} as anti-canonical divisor in \mathbb{P}_{F_i}]

[Klevers, Peña, Piragua, Oehlmann, Reuter'14]

- ii. Elliptically fibered Calabi-Yau space X_{F_i}

Impose Calabi–Yau condition

w/ coordinates in \mathbb{P}_{F_i} and coeffs. of \mathcal{C}_{F_i} lifted to sections of line bundles of certain degree in \mathbf{B}

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{C}_{F_i} \subset \mathbb{P}_{F_i} & \longrightarrow & X_{F_i} \\ & & \downarrow \\ & & B \end{array}$$

Fibration determined by two divisors $\mathcal{S}_7, \mathcal{S}_9$ on \mathbf{B}

Model Building Strategy:

i. Construction of X_{F_i} w/ Particle Physics

gauge symmetry (codim-1), matter reps. (codim-2) & Yukawas (codim-3)

F_{11} - Standard Model

$SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$

focus

Representation	$(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2})_{1/6}$	$(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1})_{-2/3}$	$(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1})_{1/3}$	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2})_{-1/2}$	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_{-1}$
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$$p_{F_{11}} = s_1 e_1^2 e_2^2 e_3 e_4^4 u^3 + s_2 e_1 e_2^2 e_3^2 e_4^2 u^2 v + s_3 e_2^2 e_3^2 u v^2 + s_5 e_1^2 e_2 e_4^3 u^2 w + s_6 e_1 e_2 e_3 e_4 u v w + s_9 e_1 v w^2$$

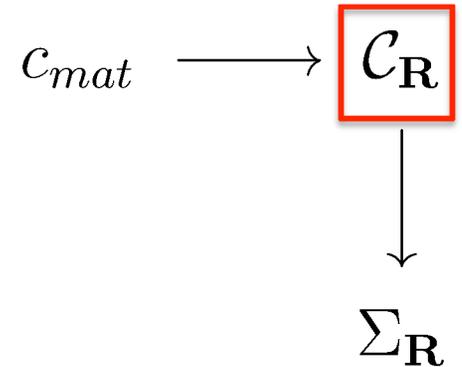
[hypersurface constraint in dP_4 ($\mathbb{P}^2[u:v:w]$ with four blow-ups $[e_1:e_2:e_3:e_4]$)

F_{13} - Pati-Salam Model

F_{16} - Trinification Model

ii. Chiral index for D=4 matter:

$$\chi(\mathbf{R}) = \int_{\mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{R}}} G_4$$



a) construct G_4 flux by computing $H_V^{(2,2)}(\hat{X})$

b) determine matter surface $\mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{R}}$ (via resultant techniques)

iii. Global consistency – D3 tadpole cancellation (Gauss law):

$$\frac{\chi(X)}{24} = n_{D3} + \frac{1}{2} \int_X G_4 \wedge G_4$$

a) satisfied for integer and positive n_{D3}

b) check, all quantum field theory anomalies are cancelled

Standard Model:

Base $B = \mathbb{P}^3$ Divisors in the base: $\mathcal{S}_7 = n_7 H_{\mathbb{P}^3}$
 $\mathcal{S}_9 = n_9 H_{\mathbb{P}^3}$

Solutions $(\#(\text{families}); n_{D_3})$ for allowed (n_7, n_9) :

$n_7 \setminus n_9$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
7	—	(27; 16)	—	—			
6	—	(12; 81)	(21; 42)	—	—		
5	—	—	(12; 57)	(30; 8)	—	(3; 46)	
4	(42; 4)	—	(30; 32)	—	—	—	—
3	—	(21; 72)	—	—	—	(15; 30)	
2	(45; 16)	(24; 79)	(21; 66)	(24; 44)	(3; 64)		
1	—	—	—	—			
0	—	—	(12; 112)				
-1	(36; 91)	(33; 74)					
-2	—						

II. U(1)-Symmetries in F-Theory

Abelian Symmetries in F-theory

Physics: important ingredient of the Standard Model and beyond



Multiple U(1)'s desirable

Geometry: new CY elliptic fibrations with rational sections

While non-Abelian symmetries extensively studied ('96...)

[Kodaira; Tate; Morrison, Vafa; Bershadsky, Intriligator, Kachru, Morrison, Sadov, Vafa; Candelas, Font, ...]

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Abelian sector rather unexplored

A lot of recent progress '12-'15: [Grimm, Weigand; ... Morrison, Park; M.C., Grimm, Klevers; ... Borchmann, Mayrhofer, Palti, Weigand; M.C., Klevers, Piragua; MC, Grassi, Klevers, Piragua; ... Braun, Grimm, Keitel; ... M.C., Klevers, Piragua, Song; ... Morrison, Taylor; ... M.C., Klevers, Piragua, Taylor]

U(1)'s-Abelian Symmetry

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(1,1) - form ω_m \longleftrightarrow rational section

[Morrison, Vafa]

U(1)'s-Abelian Symmetry & Mordell-Weil Group

rational sections of elliptic fibr. \rightarrow rational points of elliptic curve

1. Rational point Q on elliptic curve E with zero point P

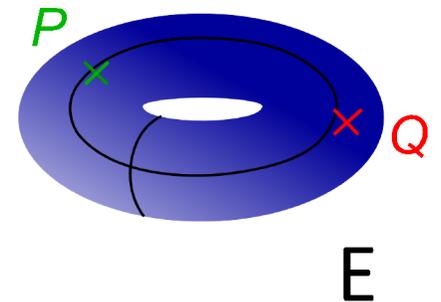
- is solution (x_Q, y_Q, z_Q) in field K of Weierstrass form

$$y^2 = x^3 + fxz^4 + gz^6$$

- Rational points form group (addition) on E

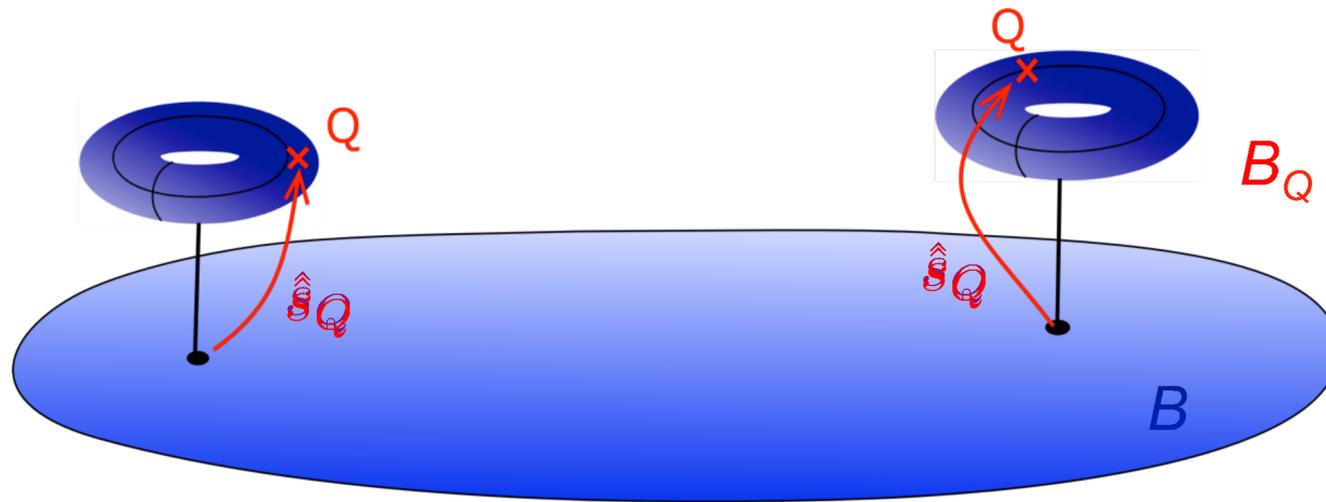


Mordell-Weil group of rational points



U(1)'s-Abelian Symmetry & Mordell-Weil Group

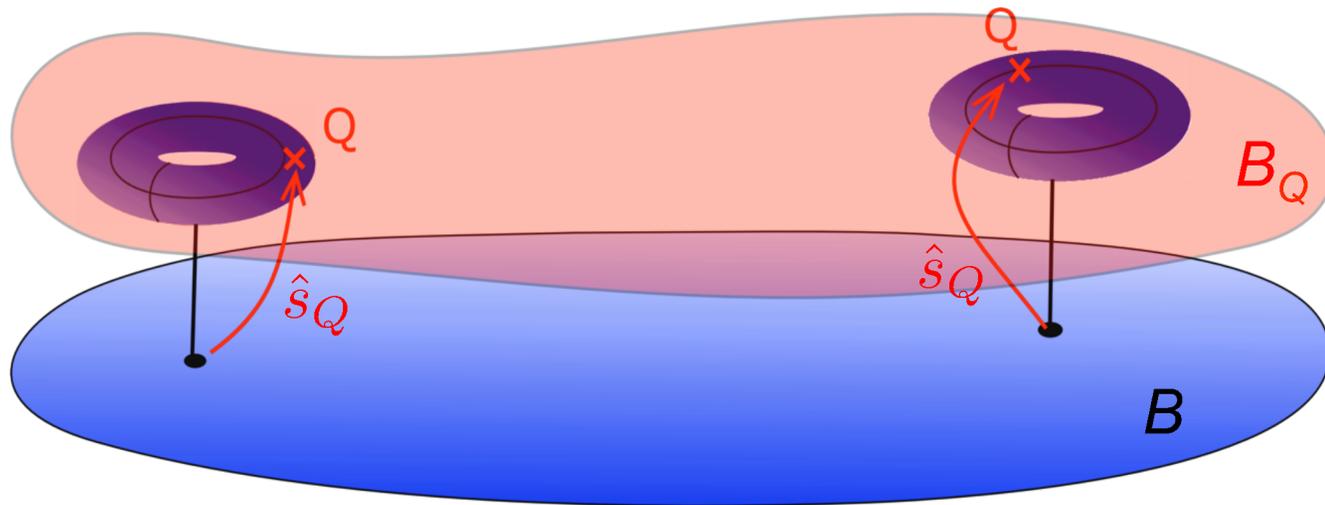
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➔ (1,1)-form ω_m constructed from divisor B_Q (Shioda map)

indeed (1,1) - form ω_m \longleftrightarrow rational section

Elliptic curves with rank- n Mordell-Weil group

ELLIPTIC FIBRATIONS WITH n RATIONAL SECTIONS

Elliptic Curves E with Rational Points

Elliptic curve with zero point P and n rational points Q_i

c.f., Morrison's talk

1. Consider line bundle $M=O(P+Q_1+\dots+Q_n)$ of degree $n+1$ on E :
 - 1) $H^0(M)=\langle x_1, \dots, x_{n+1} \rangle$, $n+1$ sections
 - 2) $H^0(M^k)=k(n+1)$ sections, $r := \binom{n+k}{k}$ sections known (deg. k monomials in x_i)
 - $r < k(n+1)$: need to introduce new sections in M^k ($n=0, 1$)
 - $r > k(n+1)$: $r-k(n+1)$ relations between sections: E embeddable in $W\mathbb{P}^m$
2. Existence of rational points Q_1, \dots, Q_n :

E non-generic Calabi-Yau one-fold in $W\mathbb{P}^m$;

special constructions: generic Calabi-Yau in blow-up of $W\mathbb{P}^m$

at rational points Q_i

Explicit Examples with n -rational sections – $U(1)^n$

elliptic curve

$n=0$: with P - generic CY in $\mathbb{P}^2(1, 2, 3)$ (Tate form)

$n=1$: with P, Q - generic CY in $\text{Bl}_1\mathbb{P}^2(1, 1, 2)$ [Morrison, Park'12]

$n=2$: with P, Q, R - specific example: generic CY in dP_2
[Borchmann, Mayerhofer, Palti, Weigand'13;
M.C., Klevers, Piragua 1303.6970, 1307.6425;
M.C., Grassi, Klevers, Piragua 1306.0236]

- generalization: non-generic cubic in $\mathbb{P}^2[u : v : w]$

[M.C., Klevers, Piragua, Taylor 1507.05954]

$n=3$: with P, Q, R, S - CICY in $\text{Bl}_3\mathbb{P}^3$ [M.C., Klevers, Piragua, Song 1310.0463]

$n=4$ determinantal variety in \mathbb{P}^4 higher n , not clear...

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U(1)²: Concrete Example

[M.C., Klevers, Piragua]

[Borchmann, Mayrhofer, Palti, Weigand]



representation as hypersurface in dP_2 :

$$p = u(s_1 u^2 e_1^2 e_2^2 + s_2 u v e_1 e_2^2 + s_3 v^2 e_2^2 + s_5 u w e_1^2 e_2 + s_6 v w e_1 e_2 + s_8 w^2 e_1^2) + s_7 v^2 w e_2 + s_9 v w^2 e_1$$

$[u:v:w:e_1:e_2]$ –homogeneous coordinates of dP_2

u v w e₁ e₂

$$P : E_2 \cap p = [-s_9 : s_8 : 1 : 1 : 0],$$

$$Q : E_1 \cap p = [-s_7 : 1 : s_3 : 0 : 1],$$

$$R : D_u \cap p = [0 : 1 : 1 : -s_7 : s_9].$$

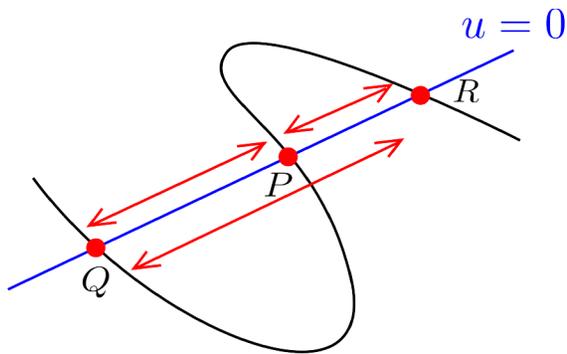
Sections represented by intersections of different divisors in dP_2 with p

generic CY in dP_2

Also determine charged matter (at co-dim. 2) and multiplicities

U(1)²: Further Developments

General U(1)² construction: [M.C., Klevers, Piragua, Taylor 1507.05954]



non-generic cubic curve in $\mathbb{P}^2[u : v : w]$:

$$u f_2(u, v, w) + \prod_{i=1}^3 (a_i v + b_i w) = 0$$

$f_2(u, v, w)$ degree two polynomial in $\mathbb{P}^2[u : v : w]$

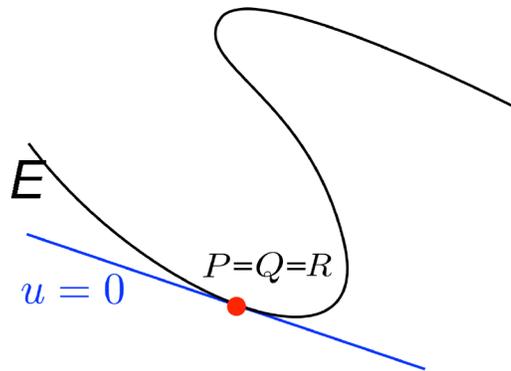
Study of non-Abelian enhancement (unHiggsing) by merging rational points $P, Q, R \rightarrow$

non-local horizontal divisors (Abelian) turn into local vertical ones (non-Abelian) \rightarrow

both in geometry (w/ global resolutions) & field theory (Higgsing matter)

Non-Abelian Gauge Enhancement: $U(1)^2$

Reduce MW-rank to zero by merging rational points Q, R with zero P



$$u f_2(u, v, w) + \lambda_1 \lambda_2 (a_1 v + b_1 w)^3 = 0$$

- $\text{rk}(\text{MW})=2 \rightarrow 1$ as $\overline{PQ} \rightarrow 0$
- $\text{rk}(\text{MW})=1 \rightarrow 0$ as $\overline{PR} \rightarrow 0$

Tuned fibration with co-dim. 1 singularity built in:

1. $U(1) \times U(1) \rightarrow SU(3)$: set $\lambda_i = 1$ at locus $f_2(0, -b_1, a_1) = 0$ in B

I_3 -singularity at P

2. $U(1) \times U(1) \rightarrow SU(2) \times SU(2)$: set $f_2(0, -b_1, a_1) = 1$

I_2 -fiber at $\lambda_i = 0$ in B : $u f_2(u, v, w) = 0$

3. General case not rank preserving: $U(1)^2 \rightarrow SU(3) \times SU(2)^3$ or a subgroup
Byproduct: first construction of matter (at co-dim. 2 sing.) in symmetric two-index rep. of $SU(3)$.

III. Discrete Symmetries in F-Theory

Why Discrete Symmetries in F-theory?

Physics: important ingredient of beyond the Standard Model physics

 **forbid** terms for fast proton decay and other **R-parity violating terms**, e.g., R-parity (Z_2), baryon triality (Z_3) and proton hexality (Z_6); **family textures**

Geometry: new Calabi-Yau geometries with genus-one fibrations

These geometries do not admit a section, but a multi-section

Earlier work: [Witten; deBoer, Dijkgraaf, Hori, Keurentjes, Morgan, Morrison, Sethi;...]

Recent extensive efforts'14-'15: [Braun, Morrison; Morrison, Taylor;

Klevers, Mayorga-Pena, Oehlmann, Piragua, Reuter; Anderson, Garcia-Etxebarria, Grimm; Braun, Grimm, Keitel; Mayrhofer, Palti, Till, Weigand;

M.C., Donagi, Klevers, Piragua, Poretschkin; Grimm, Pugh, Regalado]

Abelian & Discrete Gauge Symmetry in F-theory

F-theory compactification with n sections (Abelian $U(1)^{(n-1)}$)

[Morrison, Taylor;
Anderson, García-Etxebarria, Grimm, Keitel;
Braun, Grimm, Keitel]

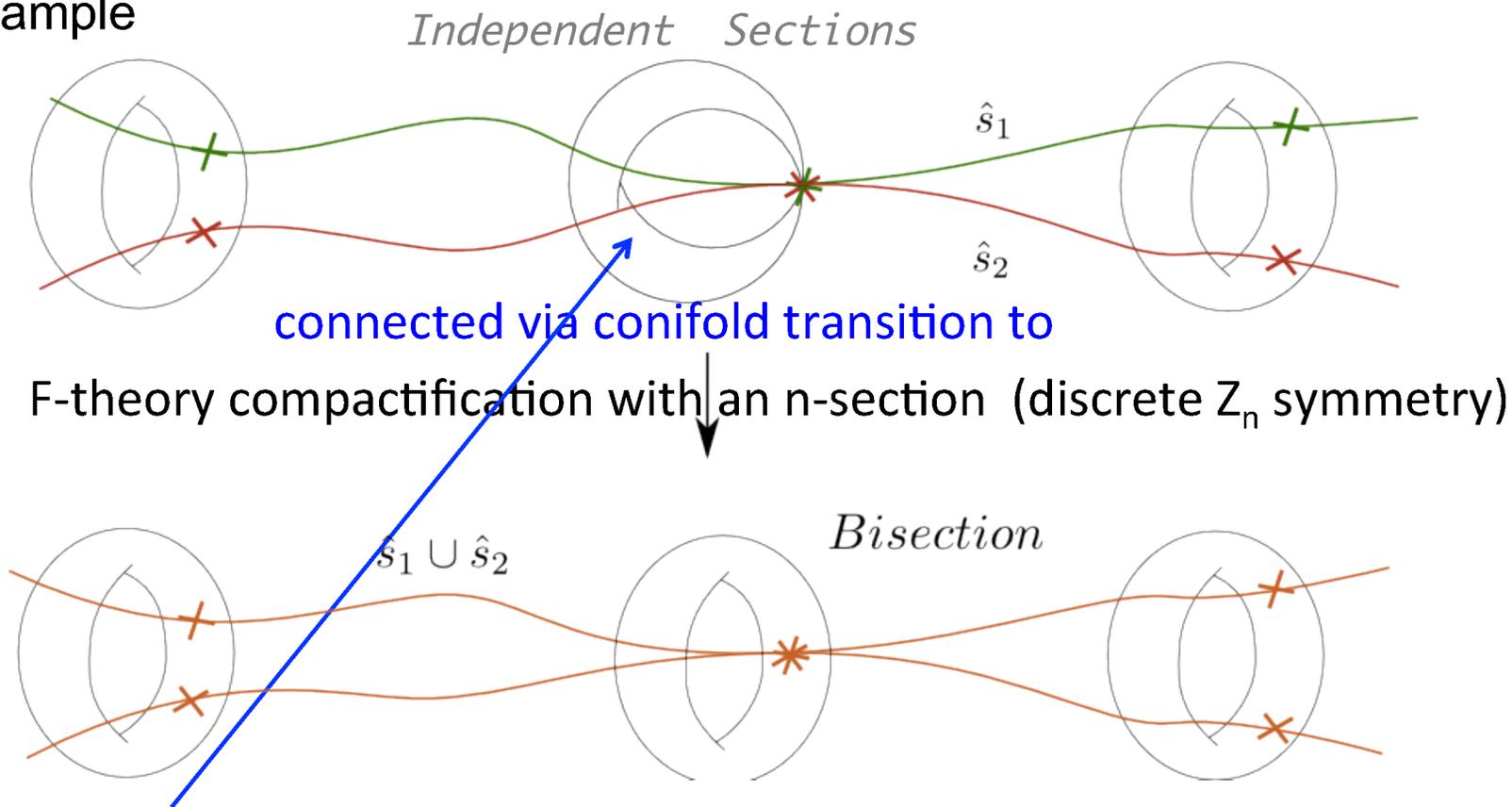
connected via conifold transition

F-theory compactification with an n -section (discrete Z_n symmetry)

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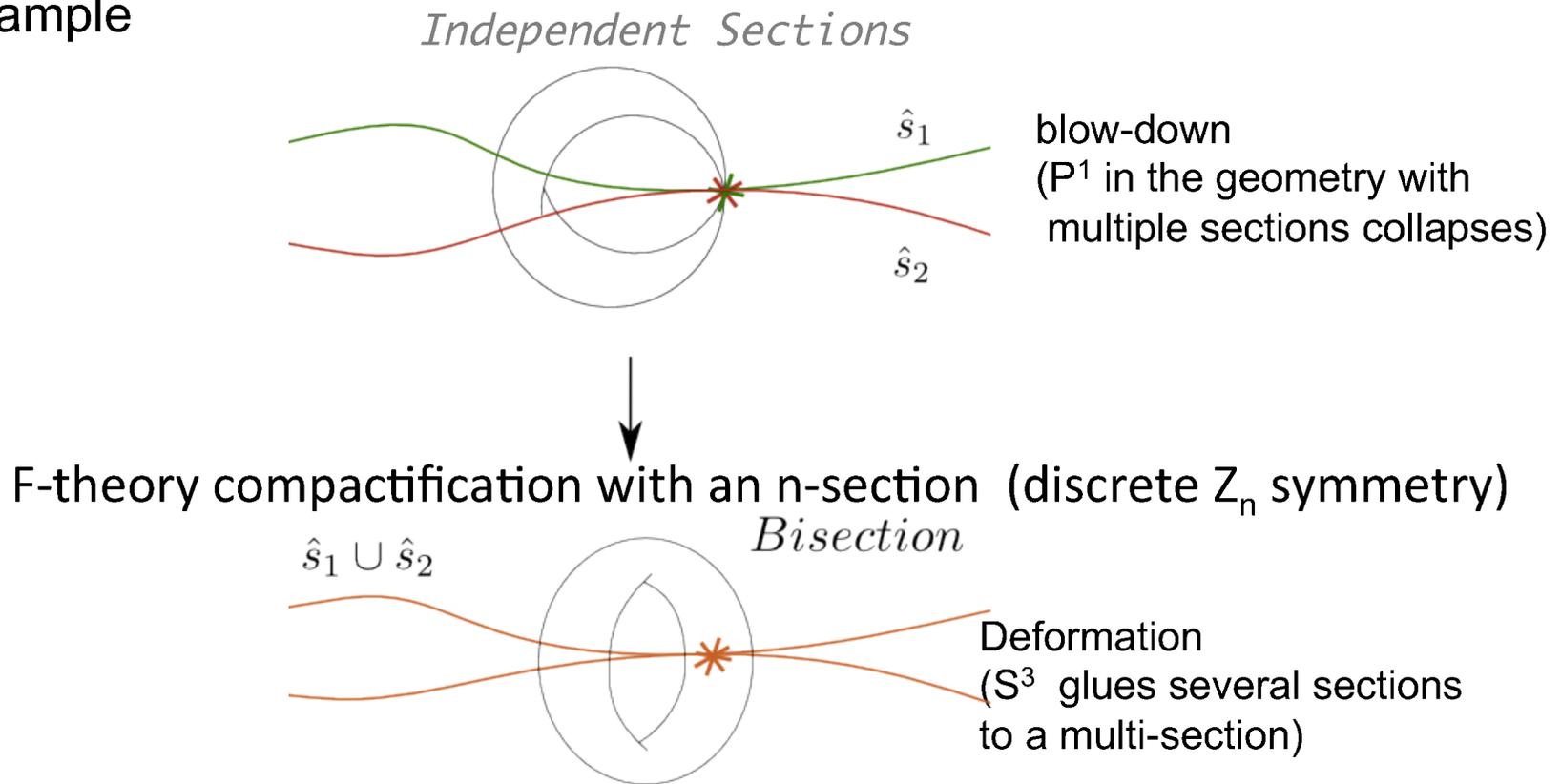


Torus fibration degenerates at co-dimension 2 loci \rightarrow matter

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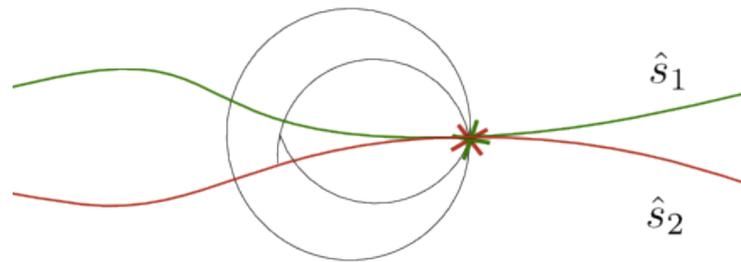
Conifold transition - Geometry

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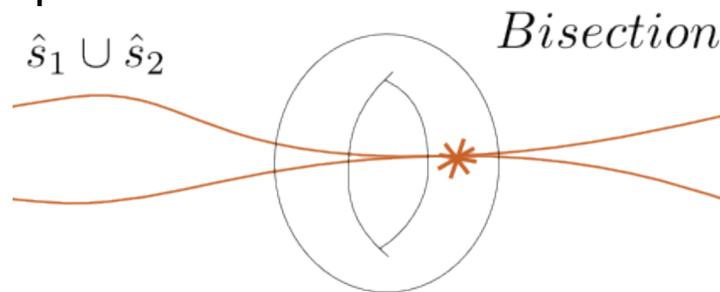
Independent Sections



blow-down
(P^1 in the geometry with multiple sections collapses)

appearance of massless field
 ϕ with charge 2

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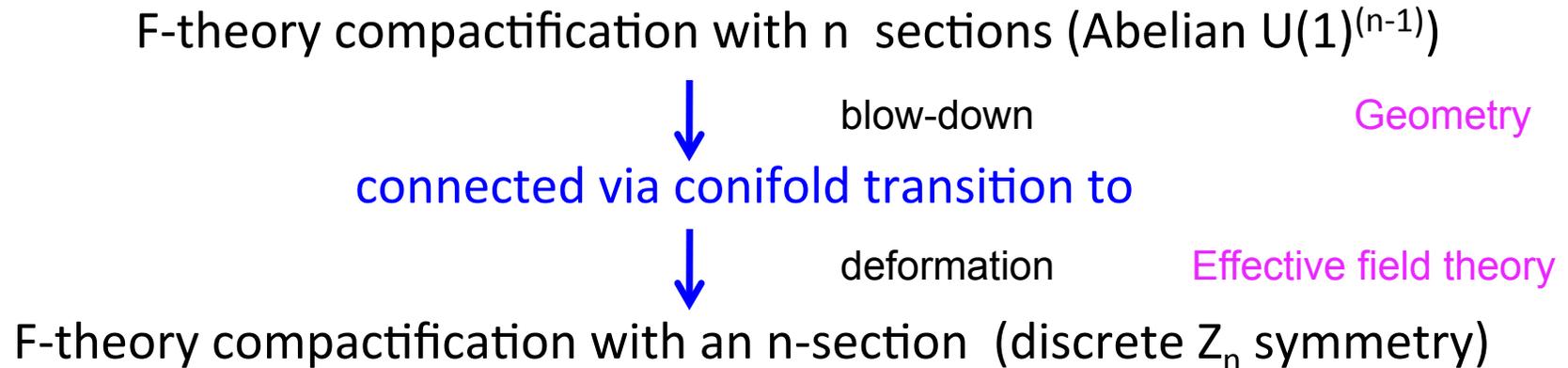


Deformation
(S^3 glues several sections to a multi-section)

massless field acquires VEV

Conifold transition - Effective theory $U(1) \xrightarrow{\langle \phi \rangle \neq 0} Z_2$

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Since Abelian symmetries better understood (c.f., recent works) most efforts focus on the geometry and spectrum of $U(1)^{(n-1)}$, to deduce, primarily via effective field theory, implications for Z_n .

Z_2 [Anderson, Garcia-Etxebarria, Grimm; Braun, Grimm, Keitel; Mayrhofer, Palti, Till, Weigand]

Z_3 [M.C., Donagi, Klevers, Piragua, Poretschkin] 1502.06953

Tate-Shafarevich Group & Geometry w/ n-section (3-section)

Tate-Shafarevich Group

The Tate-Shafarevich group $\text{III}(J(X))$

Based on a

collection of Genus-one fibered Calabi-Yau manifolds X_i ;
so that the Jacobian fibration of X_i is $J(X)$ }

An element X_i of $\text{III}(J(X))$ consists of a triple: $X_i = (X_i; f_i; a_i)$:

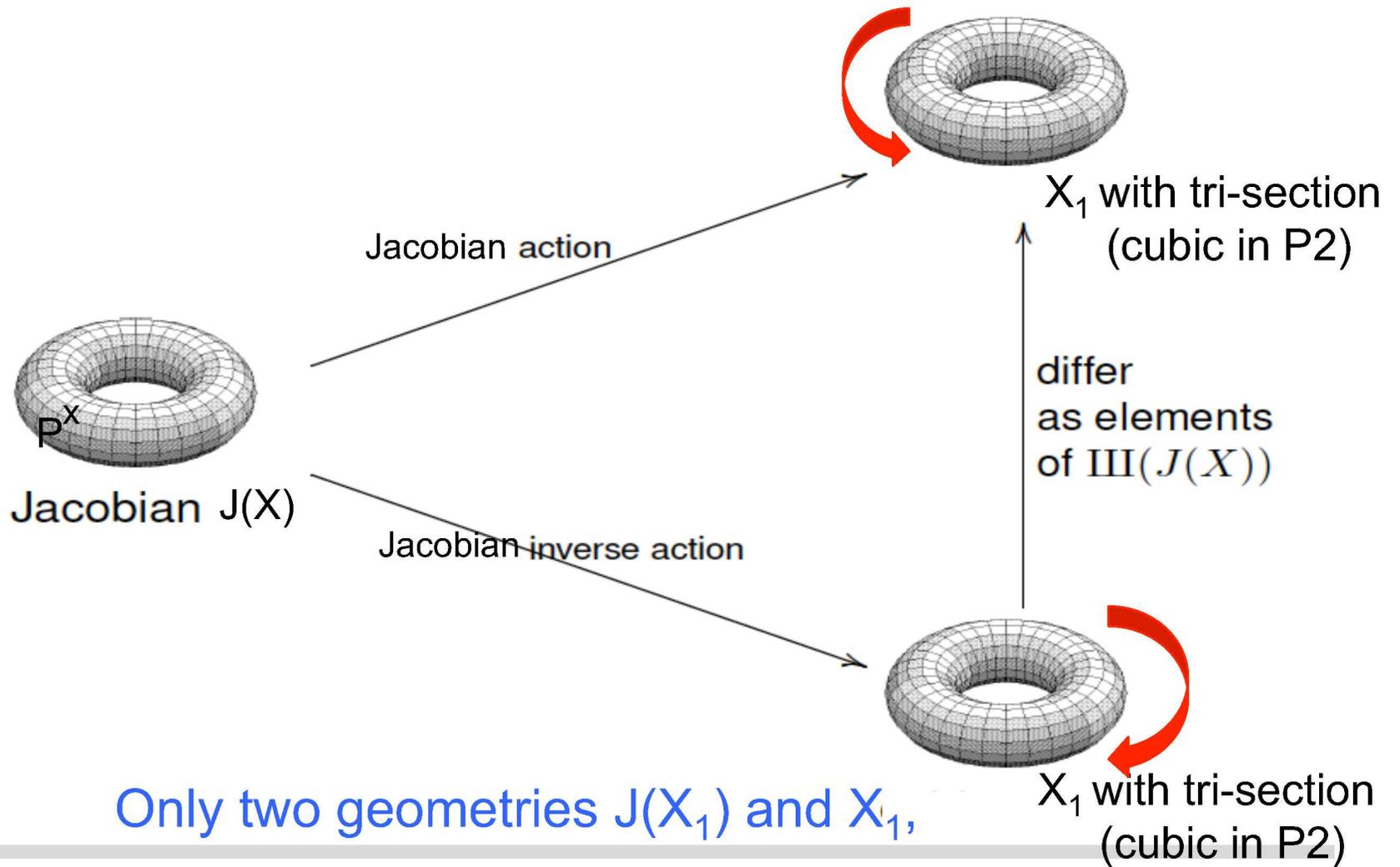
X_i is a genus-one fibration over a base B

$f_i: X_i \longrightarrow B$ is the fibration map

$a_i: J(X) \times X_i \longrightarrow X_i$ is the Jacobian action

 Two geometries with different actions of the Jacobian differ as elements in $\text{III}(J(X))$

Tate-Shafarevich group and Z_3



Only two geometries $J(X_1)$ and X_1 ,

but, three different elements of TS group!

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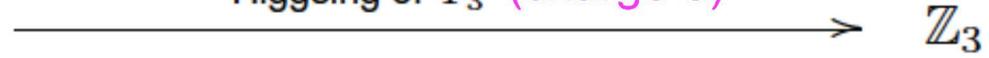
**F-Theory/M-Theory Fluxed Circle
Compactification → the role of TS (Z_3)**

F-theory

(\mathbb{Z}_3)

6D F-theory $U(1)_{6d}$

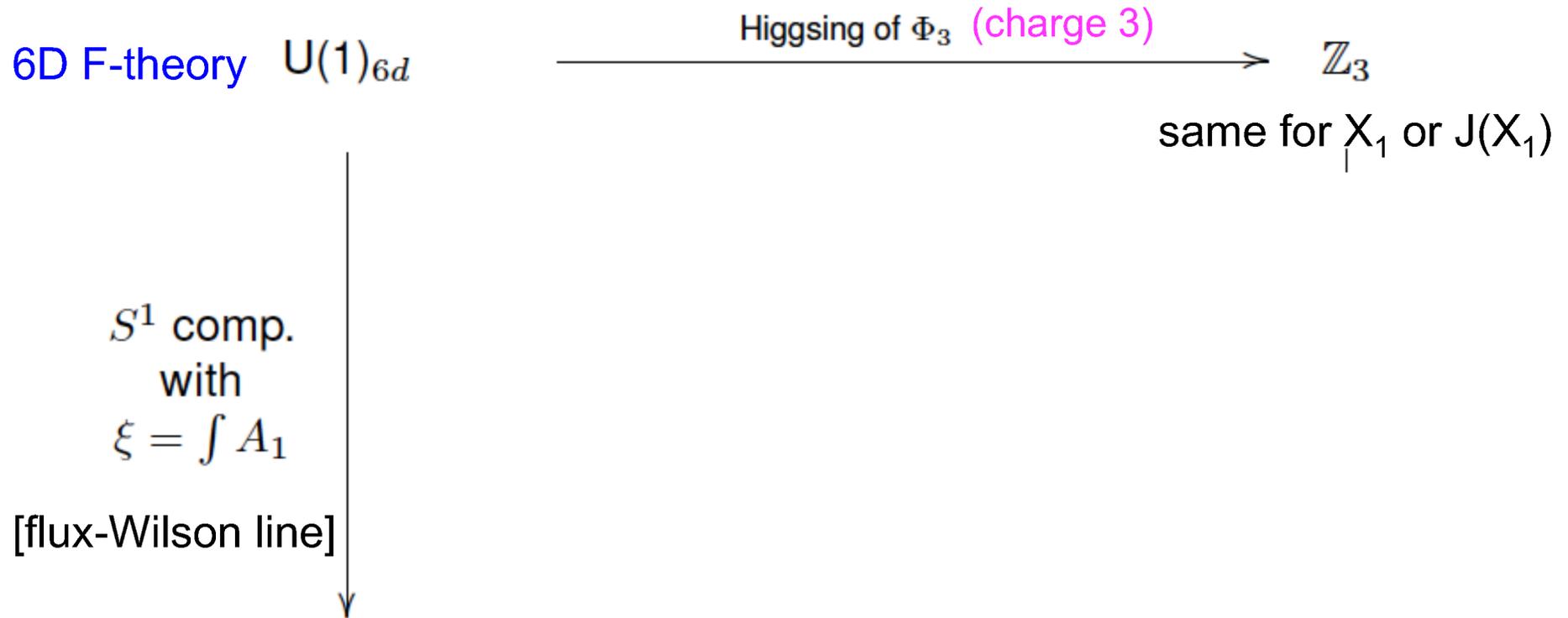
Higgsing of Φ_3 (charge 3)



\mathbb{Z}_3

same for X_1 or $J(X_1)$

F/M-theory Fluxed Circle Compactification (Z_3)



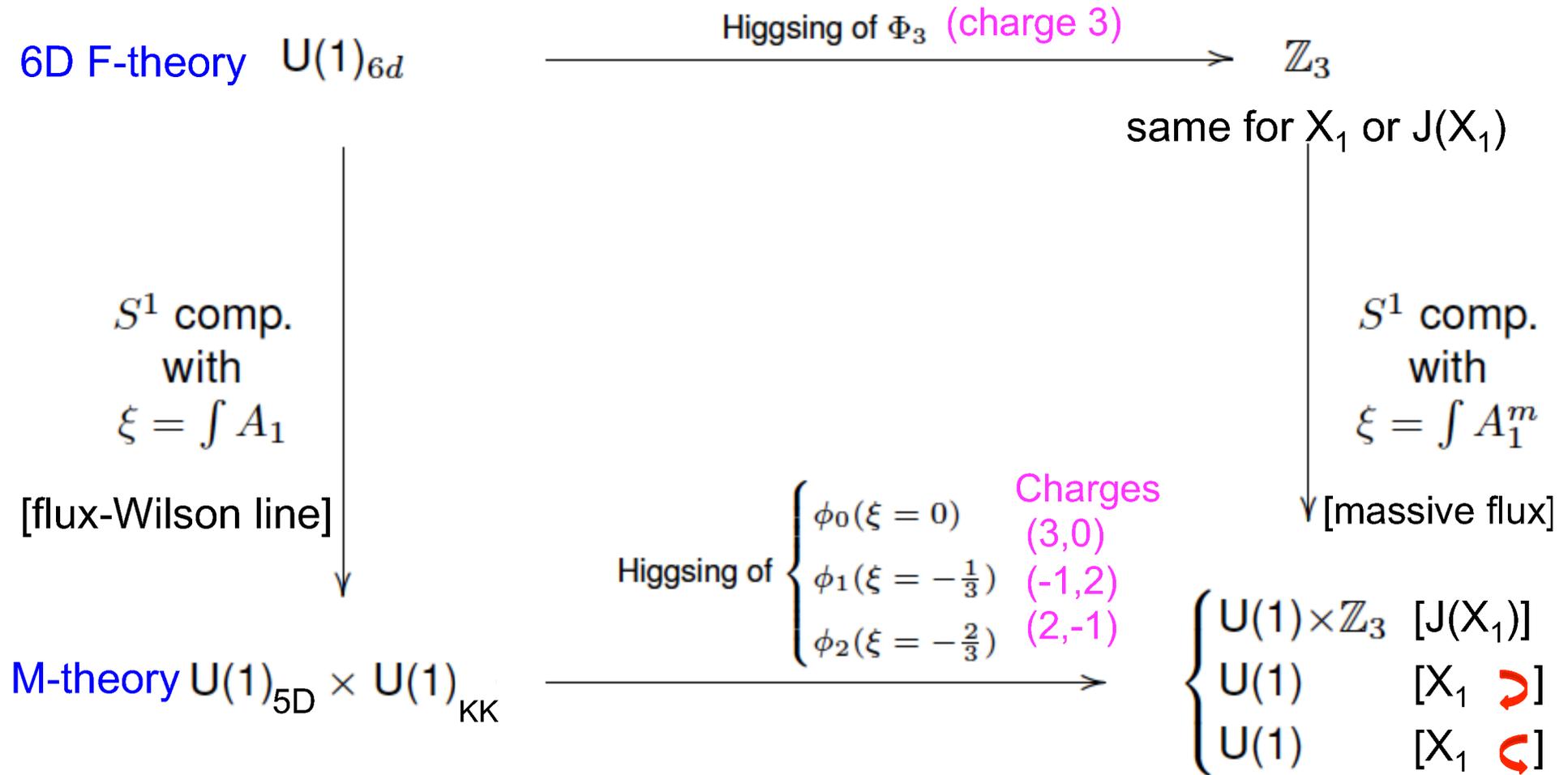
M-theory $U(1)_{5d} \times U(1)_{KK}$

6D matter w/ charge 3

$$\Phi_3(x, y) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \phi_n(x) e^{2\pi i n y}, \quad m(n, \xi) = |3\xi + n|$$

KK expanded tower w/ KK mass

F/M-theory Fluxed Circle Compactification (\mathbb{Z}_3)



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F-Theory with $U(1)$ & Charge 3 Matter

Can be obtained by Higgsing earlier $U(1)^2$ - example or

Directly in geometry: **toric blow-up of singular dP_1 [cubic in P^2]**

[Klevers, Mayorga-Pena, Oehlmann, Piragua, Reuter]

M-theory: $U(1)_{5D} \times U(1)_{KK}$ w/ charge $(3,0)$, $(-1,2)$ & $(2,-1)$ matter

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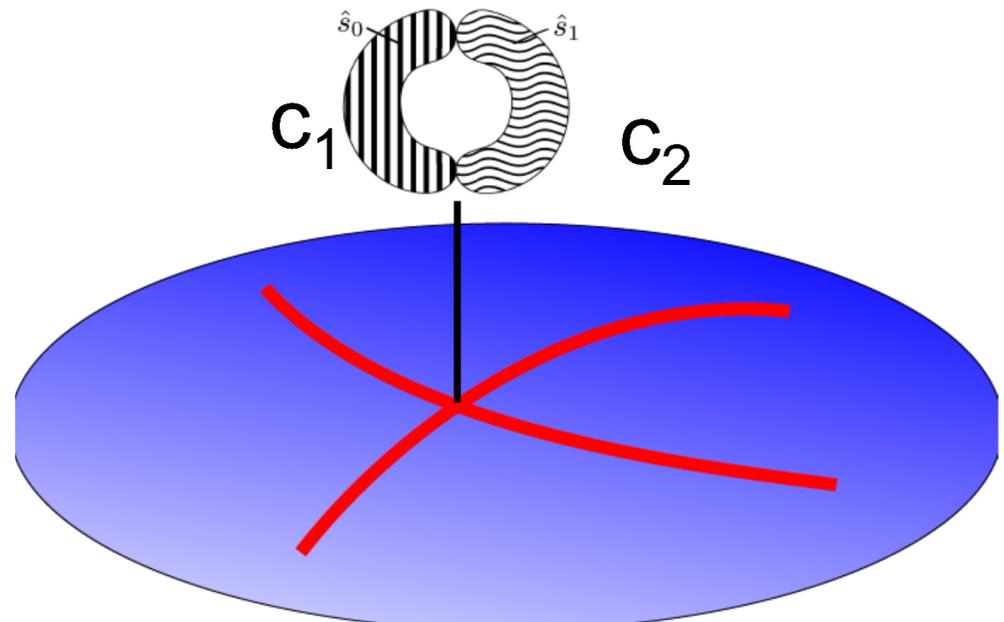
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		c_1	c_2
$U(1)_{KK}$	\tilde{S}_0	-1	2
$U(1)_{5D}$	\tilde{S}_1	2	-1
$U(1)_{6D}$	$\tilde{S}_1 - \tilde{S}_0$	3	-3

- ambient space dP_1
- rational zero-section
- additional rational section
- Curves that lead to Higgs field of charge (2,-1) (-1,2) are manifest



➔ In M-theory two correct matter charges for Higgsing (with flux $\xi = -1/3; -2/3$)

Investigating all M-theory phases

Problem:

- 3 curves needed, but I_2 -fiber only has two components w/ two curves c_1 and c_2 , with charges $(2,-1)$ and $(-1, 2)$ manifest
- curve with charge $(3,0)$ is not visible in the toric resolution [curve in the class $[c_1 + T^2]$ would have the right charges]

Computation of the Gromov-Witten invariant reveals

➔ $N_{c_1+T^2} = 1$

Where is the geometry with the charge $(3,0)$ curve manifest?

Finding the Third Curve

In a phase where zero section is holomorphic,
related to the original one by a **flop transition**:

Resolutions of the singular dP_1 via complete Intersection

		c_+	c_-
$U(1)_{KK}$	S'_0	1	0
$U(1)_{5D}$	S'_1	-2	3
$U(1)_{6D}$	$S'_1 - S'_0$	-3	3

- three-dimensional toric ambient space
- holomorphic zero section
- additional rational section
- Curves that lead to Higgs field of charge (1,-2) (3,0) are manifest

Correct matter charges
for M-theory Higgsing (with flux $\xi=0$)
to $U(1) \times Z_3$

Outcome for Z_3

- Explicitly construct the three different curves that yield the fields with desired charges; crucial to consider two different resolutions of the singular dP_1 geometry, related by flop transition.
- One can expect to see at most two matter curves in one resolution explicitly, we can detect the third (hidden) one by computing the Gromov-Witten invariant of the corresponding curve class (which was done).
- Demonstrate that the three different M-theory vacua do not lead to three different geometries but must be distinguished by the action of the Jacobian on the remaining two non-trivial elements of the Tate-Shafarevich group.

Expect to generalize to Z_n $n > 3$.

Summary

- **Particle Physics Models:** three family Standard, Pati-Salam & Trinification models (tip of the iceberg)
- **Abelian Gauge Symmetries:** highlight $U(1)^2$ example \rightarrow generalizations: unHiggsing
- **Discrete Gauge Symmetries:** highlight Z_3 example via conifold transition. Identify all matter which Higgses to different M-theory vacua \longleftrightarrow Tate-Shafarevich group

Work in progress

- First principle calculation of torsional homology for the Jacobian curve of TS geometry...
- Generalization to non-Abelian discrete symmetries: new ("twisted") torsional homologies... [M.C., Donagi, Poretschkin]