What can **modular flavour symmetries** do for you?

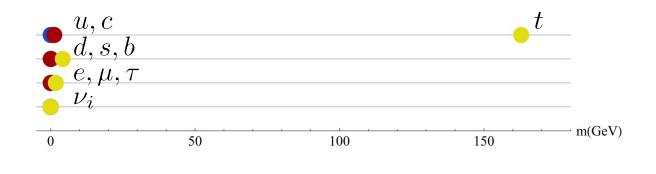


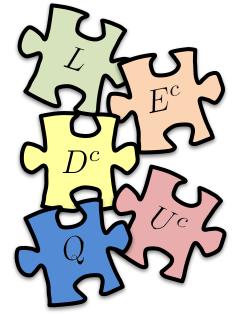
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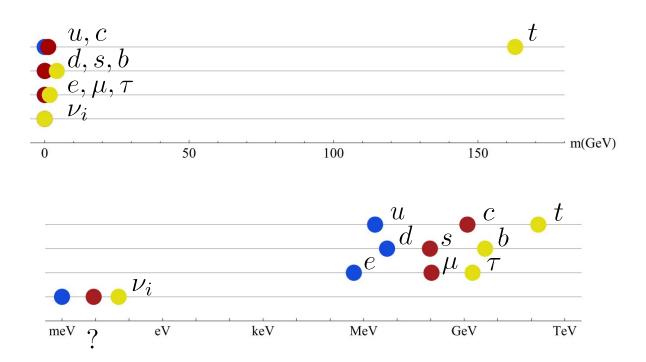
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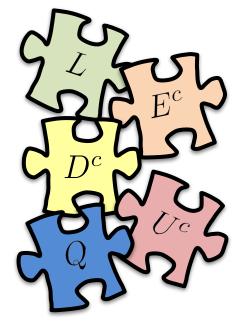
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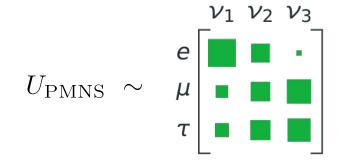


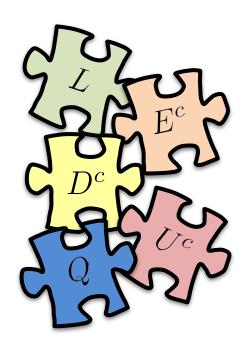
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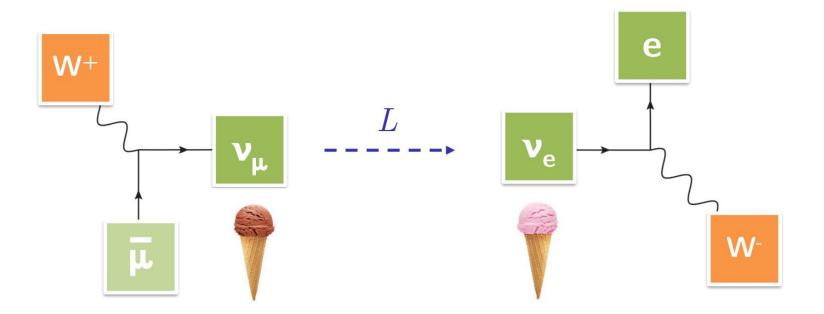
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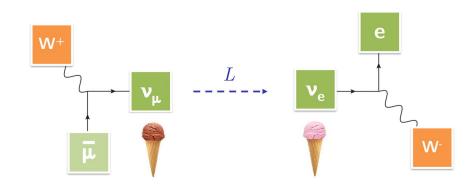
Neutrinos are temperamental...



Neutrino oscillation: propagating neutrinos can change their flavour

Neutrinos are temperamental...

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mixing matrix elements} \\ |\nu_e\rangle &= U_{e1}^* |\nu_1\rangle + U_{e2}^* |\nu_2\rangle + U_{e3}^* |\nu_3\rangle \\ |\nu_\mu\rangle &= U_{\mu1}^* |\nu_1\rangle + U_{\mu2}^* |\nu_2\rangle + U_{\mu3}^* |\nu_3\rangle \\ |\nu_\tau\rangle &= U_{\tau1}^* |\nu_1\rangle + U_{\tau2}^* |\nu_2\rangle + U_{\tau3}^* |\nu_3\rangle \end{aligned}$$



In a 2-neutrino approximation,

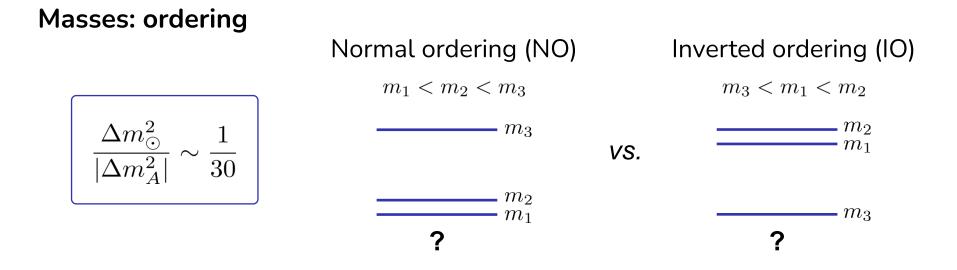
$$P(\nu_{\mu} \to \nu_{\tau}) = \sin^2 2\theta \ \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m^2 L}{4E}\right)$$

depends on the elements $(U)\alpha i$ of the PMNS

difference of squares of neutrino masses mi

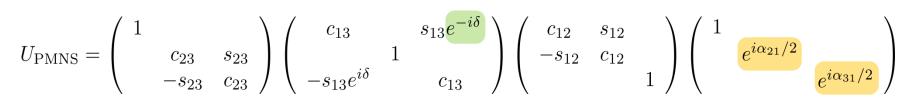
 $\Delta m^2 \neq 0$

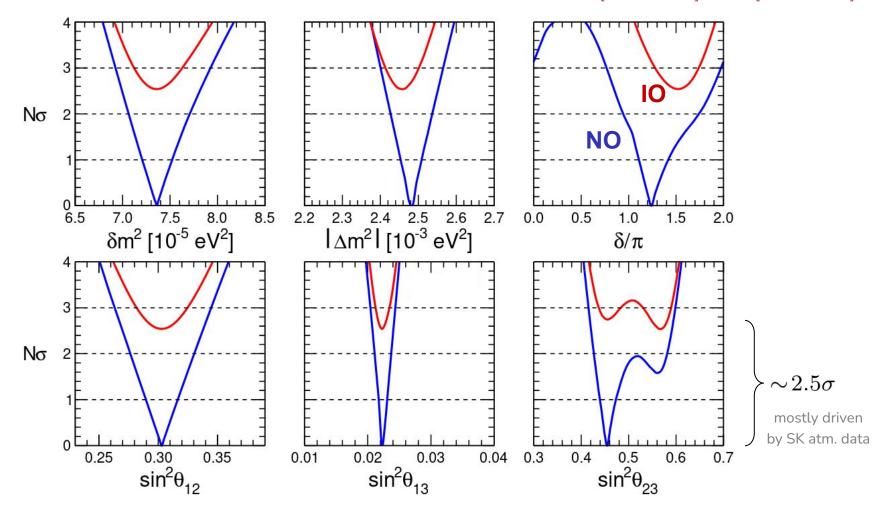


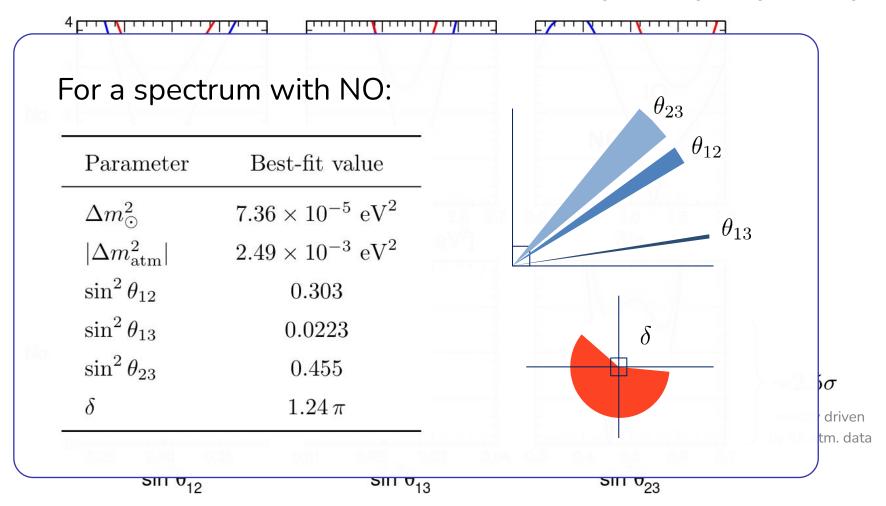


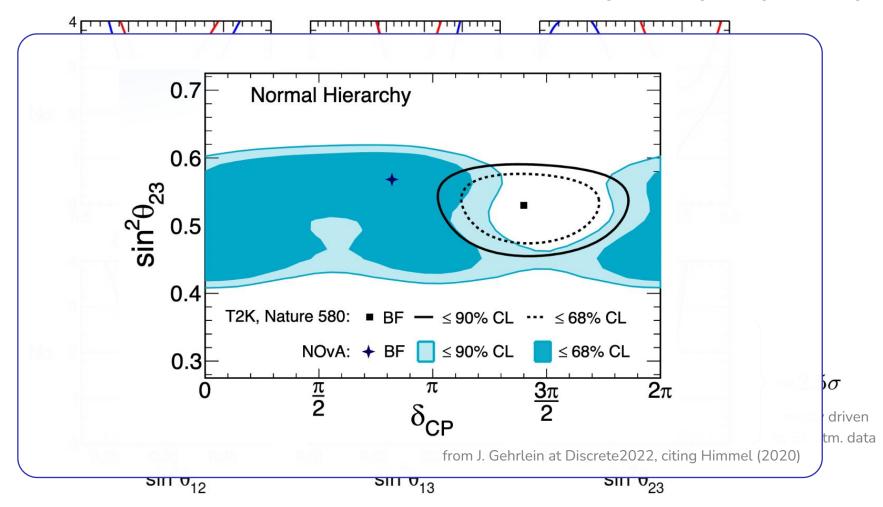
Mixing matrix parameterisation

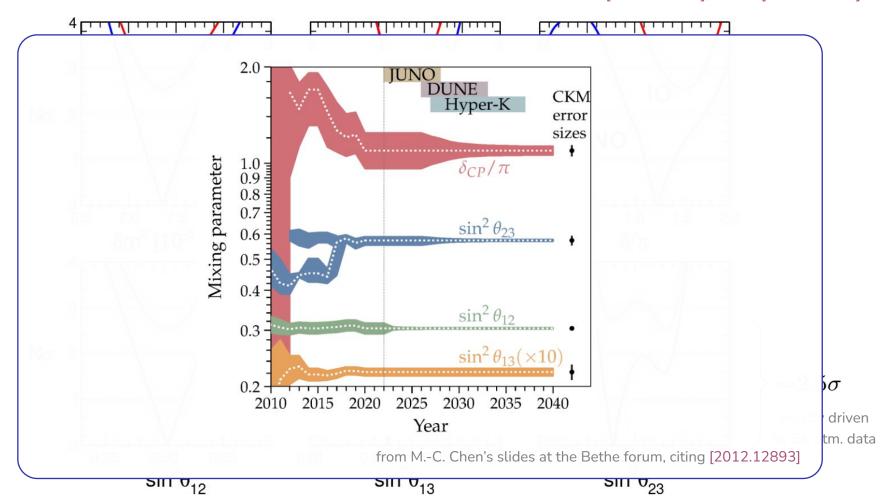
 $c_{ij} \equiv \cos \theta_{ij}, \, s_{ij} \equiv \sin \theta_{ij}$

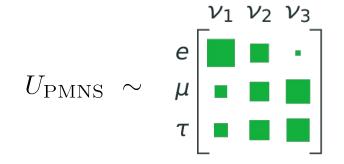


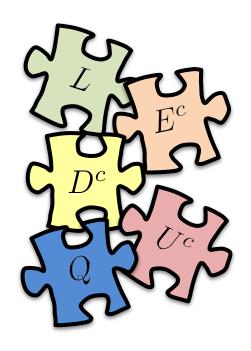




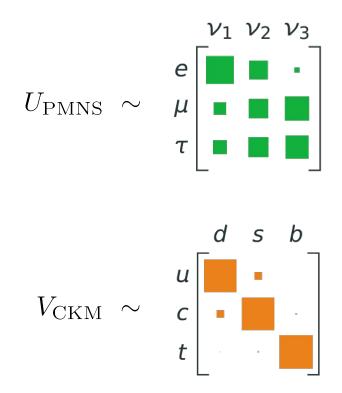


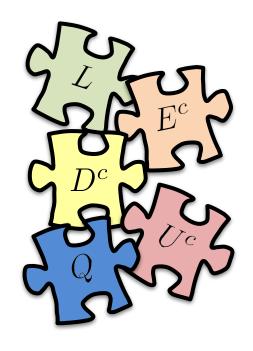






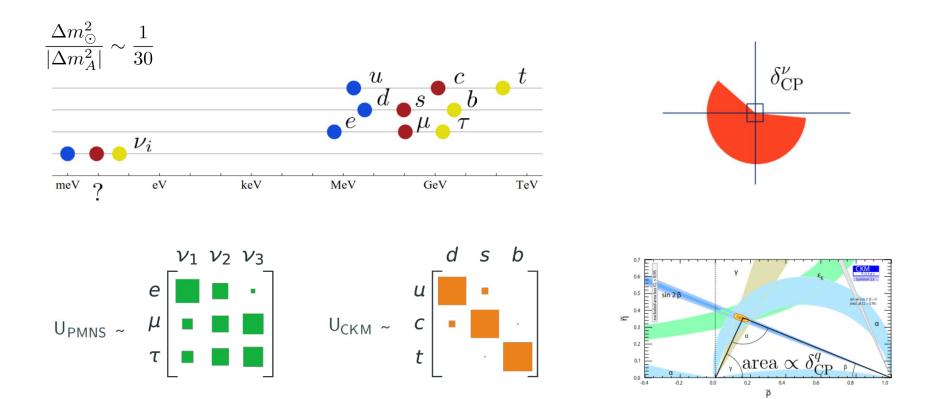
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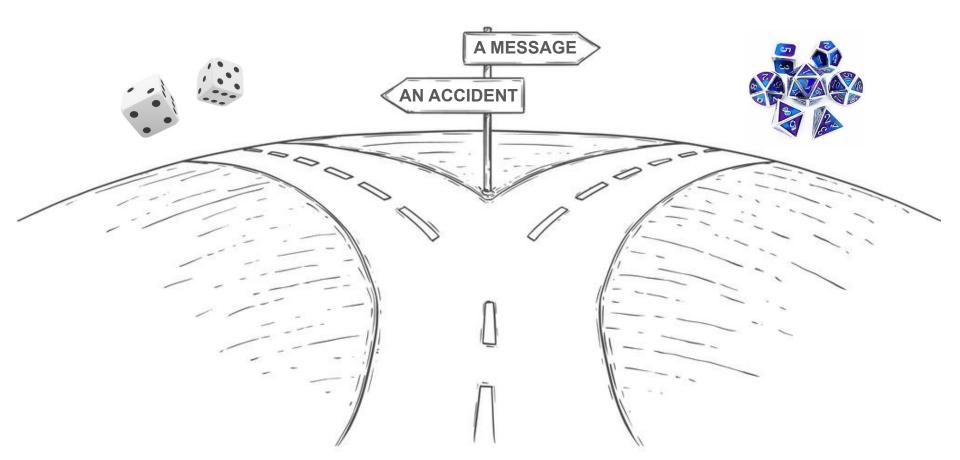


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Motivation In search of an organising principle...

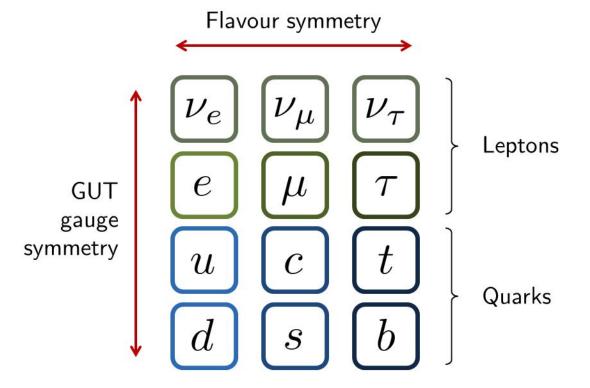


Motivation Is there an organising principle?



Flavour symmetries





For reviews, see: Altarelli and Feruglio (2010), Ishimori et al. (2010), King and Luhn (2013), Petcov (2017), Feruglio and Romanino (2019), Ding and Valle (2024)

[see also talks by S. King, M. Mondragon]

Flavour symmetries

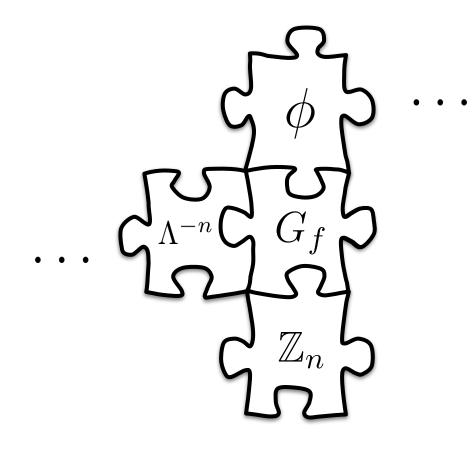


Non-Abelian discrete flavour symmetries



model-independent approaches relying on residual symmetries constrain mixing and the Dirac phase

Problems with the usual approach



A reversal of the usual logic

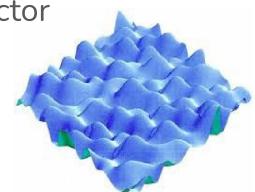


Symmetry group and representations



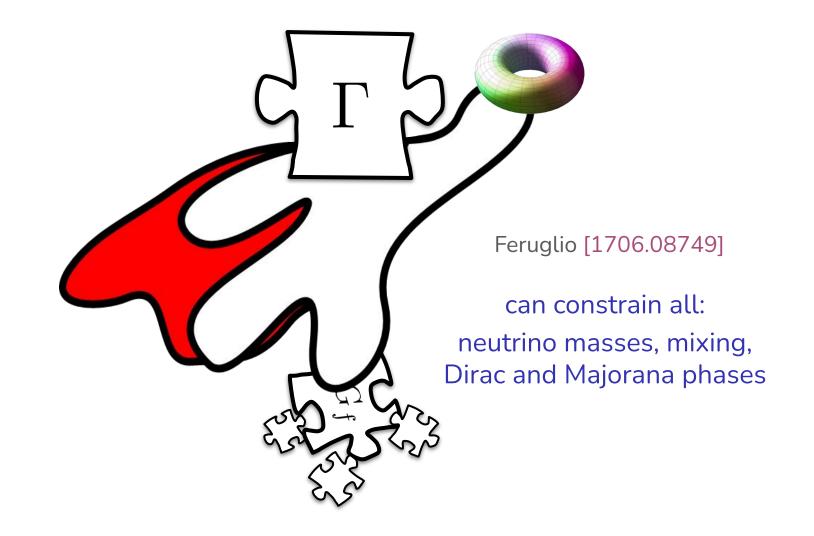


Symmetry-breaking sector



see Feruglio, PoS DISCRETE 2020-2021, 007

Modular symmetry to the rescue!

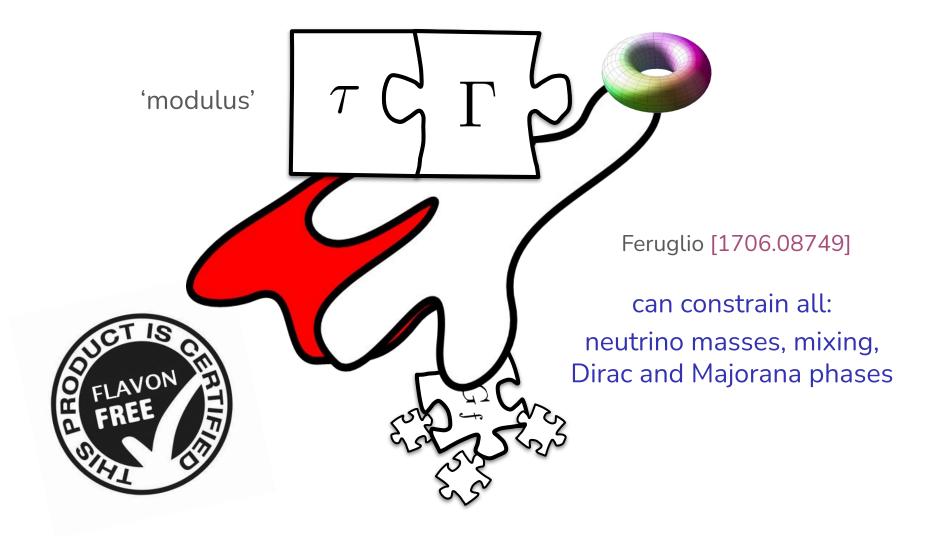


Almumin et al. [2102.11286]

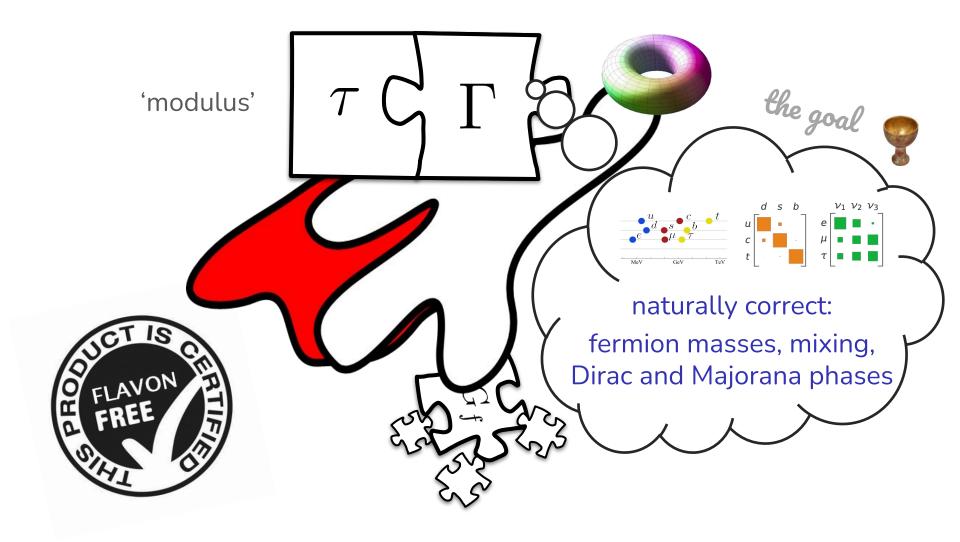
Modular symmetry to the rescue!

Feruglio [1706.08749] can constrain all: neutrino masses, mixing, Dirac and Majorana phases **SUSY** (holomorphicity) required for predictivity ...but see e.g. Ding, Feruglio, Liu [2010.07952],

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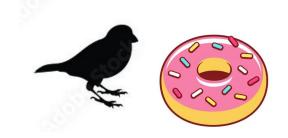


Modular symmetry to the rescue!



so... what can modular (flavour) symmetries do for you?

Modular symmetries can... (the outline)



...offer a **predictive framework** for flavour

...provide an origin for **CP violation** (CPV)

...explain fermion mass hierarchies

...help solve the **strong CP** problem

...bridge low-energy and **string** model building

The bottom-up framework

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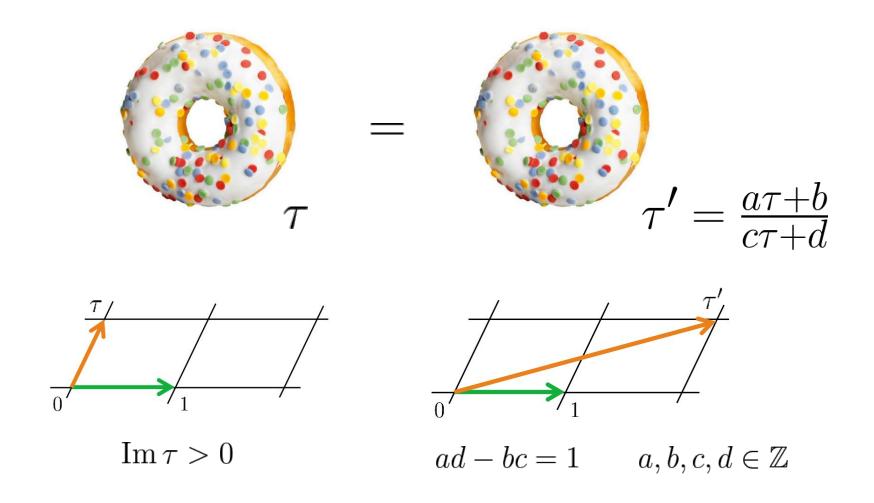
The modulus



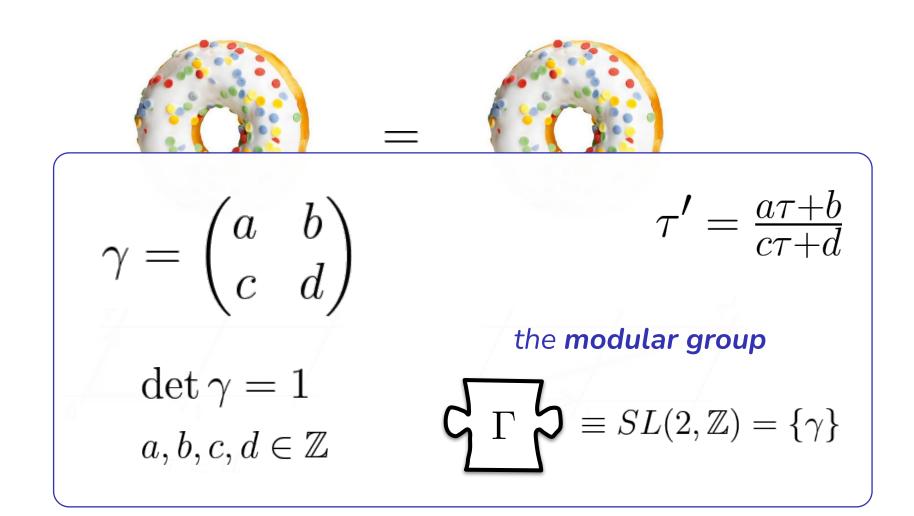
T may describe a torus compactification (we assume only 1 unfrozen modulus)

In the **bottom-up** modular approach τ is a dimensionless **spurion**

The modulus



The modulus



The modular group

$$\tau \rightarrow \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}$$

$$\mathbf{\mathcal{L}} \mathbf{\mathcal{L}} = SL(2, \mathbb{Z}) = \left\{ \gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \middle| a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}, \, \det \gamma = 1 \right\}$$

Presentation in terms of generators S, T, R:

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inverSion

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Translation

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$$\tau \to \tau$$

Redundant

but can affect fields...

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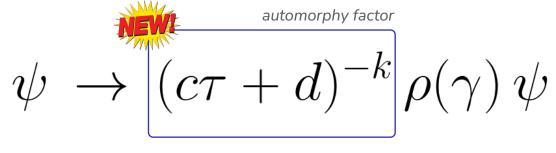
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The field transformations

 $\psi \to (c\tau + d)^{-k} \rho(\gamma) \psi$

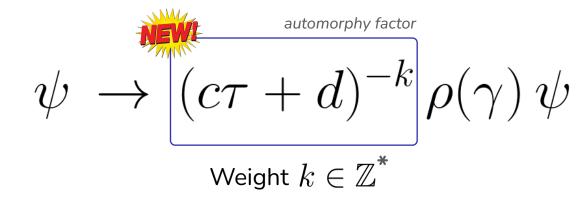
The field transformations



Weight $k\in\mathbb{Z}$

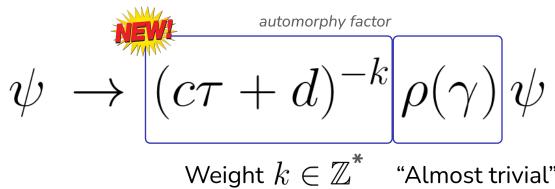
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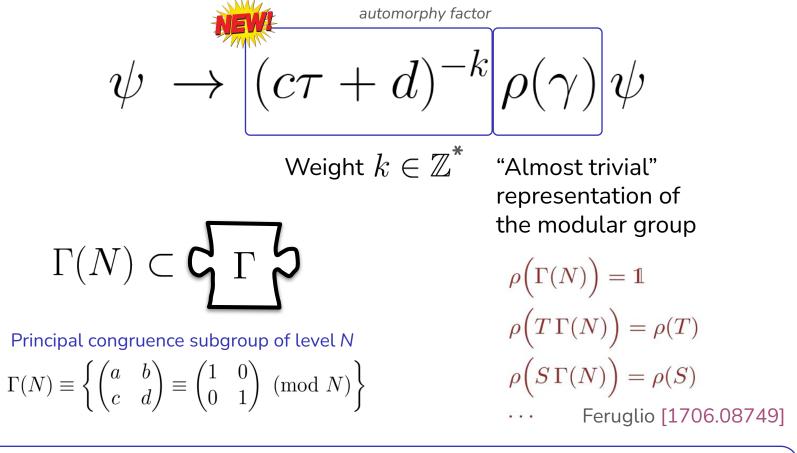
The field transformations



"Almost trivial" representation of the modular group

$$\begin{split} \rho\Big(\Gamma(N)\Big) &= \mathbb{1} \\ \rho\Big(T\,\Gamma(N)\Big) &= \rho(T) \\ \rho\Big(S\,\Gamma(N)\Big) &= \rho(S) \\ \cdots & \text{Feruglio} \left[1706.08749\right] \end{split}$$

The field transformations



 $ho(\gamma)$ is effectively a representation of $\ \Gamma'_N\equiv\Gamma/\Gamma(N)$

other choices are possible: in general, vector-valued modular forms, see Liu, Ding [2112.14761]

The finite modular groups

	Γ'_N :				
N	2	3	4	5	
Γ_N	S_3	A_4	S_4	A_5	- drop the R
Γ'_N	S_3	$A'_4 \equiv T'$	$S'_4 \equiv SL(2,\mathbb{Z}_4)$	$A_5' \equiv SL(2,\mathbb{Z}_5)$	generator
					[work w/ PSL(2,Z)]

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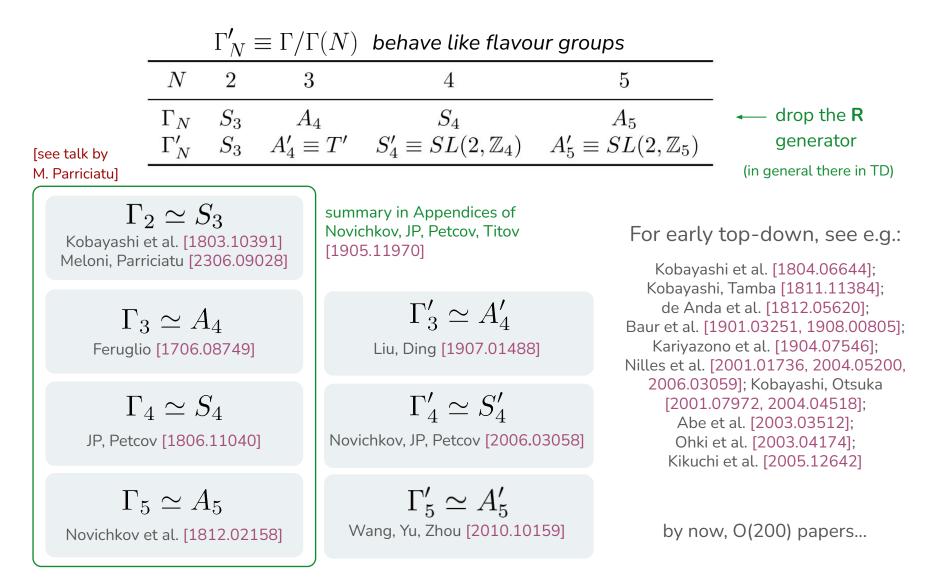
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A lot of model building...

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- models relating modular flavour symmetries and inflation
- models exploring the interplay of modular and gCP symmetries



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...and a vast literature...

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- models relating modular flavour symmetries and inflation [2208.10086], [2303.02947], Ding et al. [2405.06497] [see talk by X. Wang]
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But how does it work?

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 $W \sim g(\psi_1 \dots \psi_n)_1$

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$$Y(\tau) \rightarrow \underbrace{(c\tau + d)^{k_{Y}} \rho_{Y}(\gamma)}_{\{k_{Y} = k_{1} + \ldots + k_{n} \\ \rho_{Y} \otimes \rho_{1} \otimes \ldots \otimes \rho_{n} \supset 1\}} \psi$$

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$$\begin{split} \psi &\to (c\tau + d)^{-k} \rho_{\mathbf{r}}(\gamma) \psi \\ Y(\tau) &\to \underbrace{(c\tau + d)^{k_Y} \rho_Y(\gamma) Y(\tau)}_{= Y\left(\frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}\right)} \end{split}$$

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$\dim \mathcal{M}_k(\Gamma(N))$	k/2 + 1	k+1	2k + 1	5k + 1	1

The modular forms

Not so many available!

A **finite set** of functions for each k_Y

N	2	3	4	5	Not so m	any available.
$\Gamma_N \ \Gamma'_N$	$S_3\ S_3$		$\begin{array}{c} S_4\\ S_4'\equiv SL(2,\mathbb{Z}_4)\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} A_5\\ A_5'\equiv SL(2,\mathbb{Z}_5)\end{array}$		
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			$\Gamma_3' \simeq A_4'$	$Y^{(1)}_{\mathbf{\hat{2}}}$	$\Gamma_3 \simeq A_4$	$Y^{(2)}_{3}$
			$\Gamma_4' \simeq S_4'$	$Y^{(1)}_{\mathbf{\hat{3}}}$	$\Gamma_4 \simeq S_4$	$Y^{(2)}_{\bf 2}, Y^{(2)}_{\bf 3'}$
			$\Gamma_5' \simeq A_5'$	$Y^{(1)}_{\mathbf{\hat{6}}}$	$\Gamma_5 \simeq A_5$	$Y^{(2)}_{3}, Y^{(2)}_{\mathbf{3'}}, Y^{(2)}_{\mathbf{5'}}, Y^{(2)}_{5}$

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$\dim \mathcal{N}$	$_k(\Gamma(N))$	k/2 + 1	k+1	2k + 1	5k + 1	functions for each k_{Y}

The modular forms

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Lowest-weight k modular forms for each group:

non-singular, unlike modular functions. Can still have an interpretation, see Feruglio, Strumia, Titov [2305.08908]

can generalize modular group to e.g. the larger metaplectic group and get half-integer weight forms, see Liu et al. [2007.13706]

[see X.-G. Liu, V. Knapp-Perez talks]

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$$\Gamma_3 \simeq A_4$$

 $N \sim (\mathbf{3}, 1)$

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Let's build a modular-invariant term!

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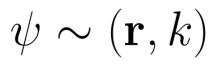
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so now we can build models...

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Novichkov, JP, Petcov, Titov [1811.04933]

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$$gCP \Rightarrow g' \in \mathbb{R}$$

Novichkov, JP, Petcov, Titov [1905.11970]

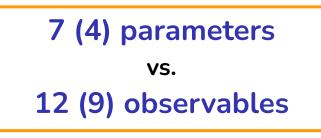
 τ can be the only source of CPV

Example: an S4 lepton model (results)

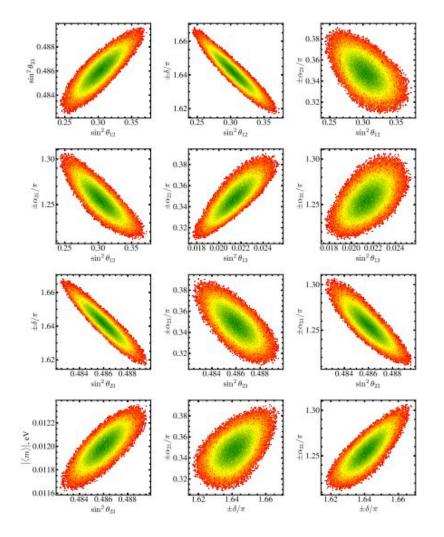
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 $\sin^2 \theta_{23} \sim 0.49$ $\delta \sim 1.6\pi$ $\alpha_{21} \sim 0.3\pi$ $\alpha_{31} \sim 1.3\pi$ $|\langle m \rangle|_{\beta\beta} \sim 12 \text{ meV}$

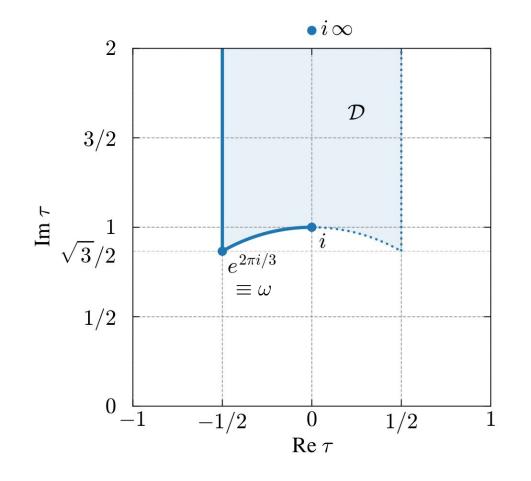
 $\sum_{i} m_i \sim 0.08 \text{ eV}$



Minimal model found with one less parameter: Ding, Liu, Yao [2211.04546]



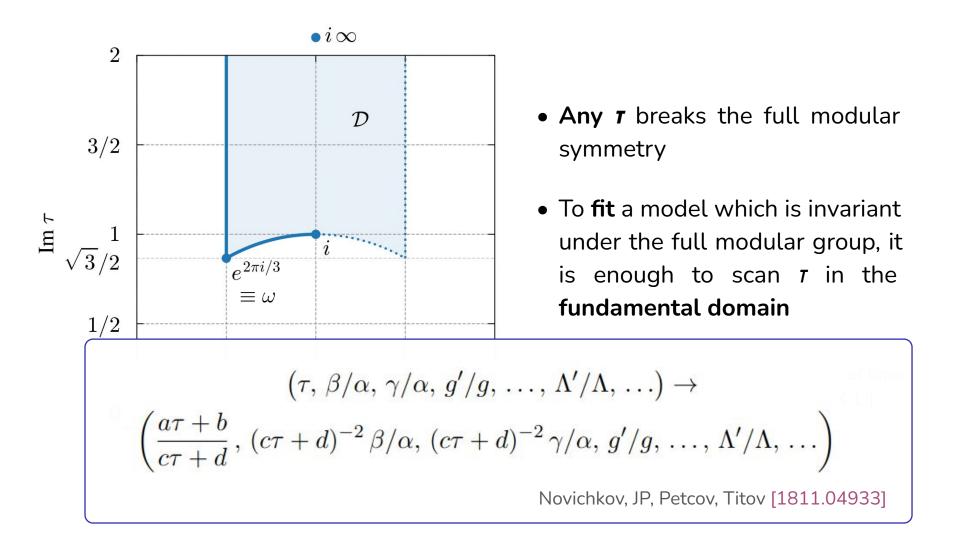
The fundamental domain



- Any *t* breaks the full modular symmetry
- To fit a model which is invariant under the full modular group, it is enough to scan τ in the fundamental domain

In some cases, invariants can save a lot of time! Chen et al. [2211.04546] [see talk by X. Li]

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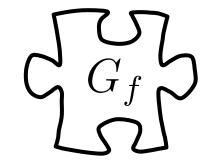


CP violation

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Flavour symmetries + gCP (generalized CP)



 $\psi(x) \to \rho_{\mathbf{r}}(g) \psi(x)$



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Branco, Lavoura, Rebelo (1986) Harrison, Scott (2002) Grimus, Lavoura (2003) Farzan, Smirnov (2006) Ferreira et al. (2012)

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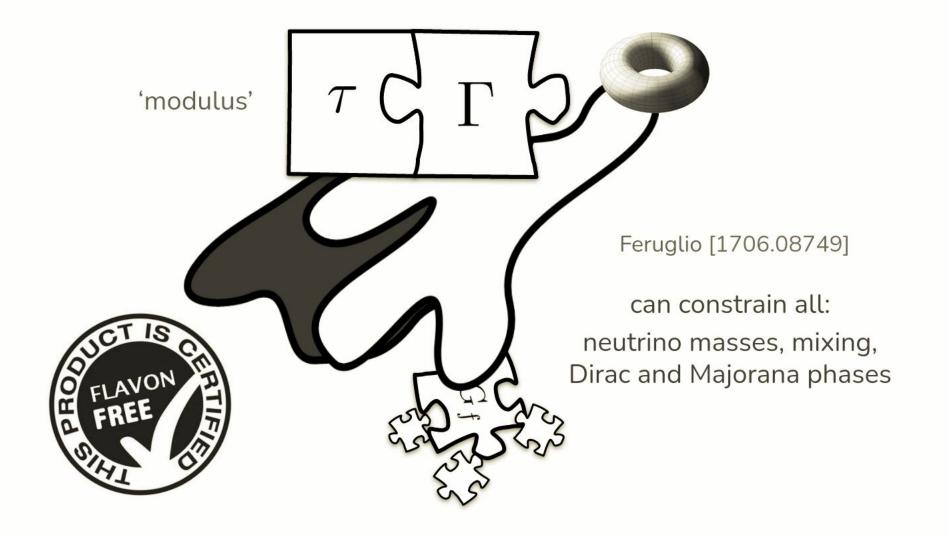
can constrain mixing, the Dirac and the Majorana phases

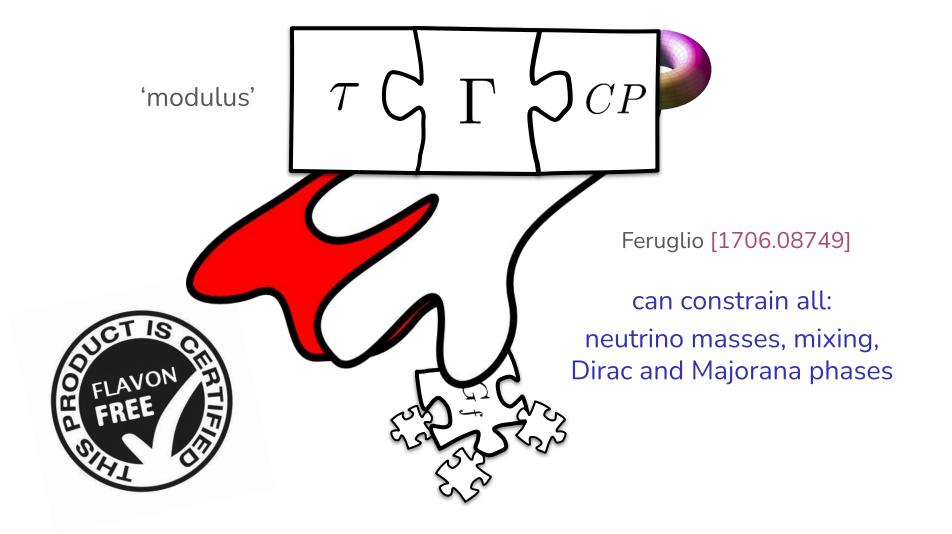
Consistency condition [Feruglio et al. (2012), Holthausen et al. (2012)]

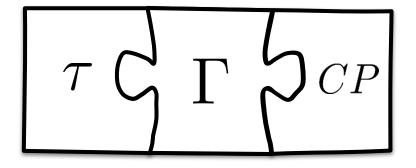
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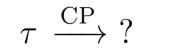
u is a class-inverting outer automorphism [Chen et al. (2014)]

Modular symmetry to the rescue!







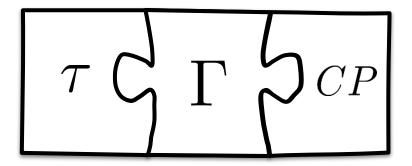


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Another useful relation between different sets of parameters is a conjugation transformation defined as follows:

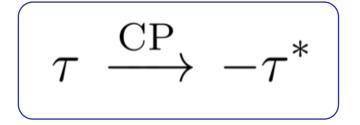
$$(\tau, \beta/\alpha, \gamma/\alpha, g'/g, \dots, \Lambda'/\Lambda, \dots) \to (-\tau^*, \beta/\alpha, \gamma/\alpha, (g'/g)^*, \dots, (\Lambda'/\Lambda)^*, \dots).$$
 (4.9)

This transformation leaves all observables unchanged, except for the CPV phases, which flip their signs. Therefore all the points we find in the following analysis come in pairs with the opposite CPV phases.

Novichkov, JP, Petcov, Titov [1811.04933]

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Dent [hep-ph/0105285]

Baur, Nilles, Trautner, Vaudrevange [1901.03251] Novichkov, JP, Petcov, Titov [1905.11970] Baur, Nilles, Trautner, Vaudrevange [1908.00805]

can be derived from the BU (group theory considerations)

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Consistency condition

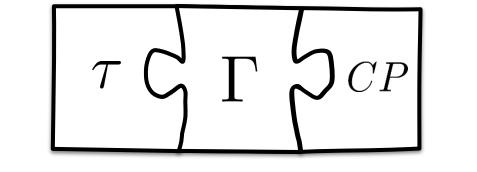
$$X_{\mathbf{r}}^{\mathrm{CP}} \rho_{\mathbf{r}}^{*}(\gamma) \left(X_{\mathbf{r}}^{\mathrm{CP}}\right)^{-1} = \rho_{\mathbf{r}}(u(\gamma)) \qquad u(\gamma) = \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ -c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

- $SL(2,Z) \rightarrow GL(2,Z)$
- Can choose *X* = 1 in a **symmetric** basis

Novichkov, JP, Petcov, Titov [1905.11970]

in a symmetric basis with real *q*-expansions

Modular symmetry + gCP



$$\tau \xrightarrow{\operatorname{CP}} -\tau^* \qquad \psi(x) \to \overline{\psi}(x_{\operatorname{P}}) \qquad Y(\tau) \xrightarrow{\operatorname{CP}} Y^*(\tau)$$

• Given the reality of Clebsch-Gordan coefficients,

CP conservation \implies

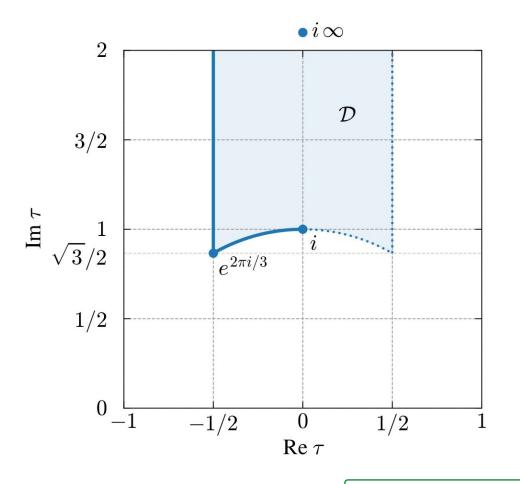
$$g \in \mathbb{R}$$

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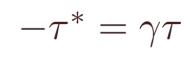
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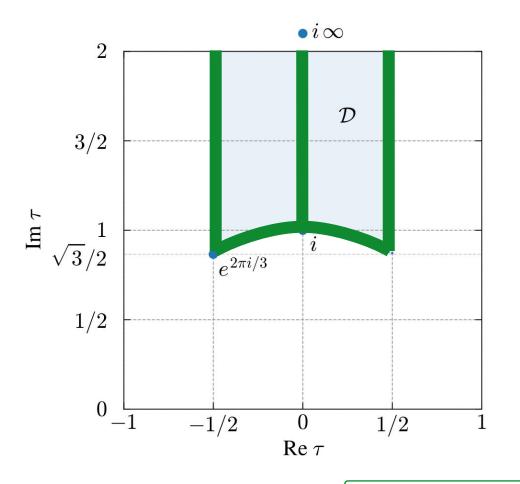
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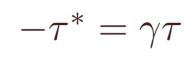
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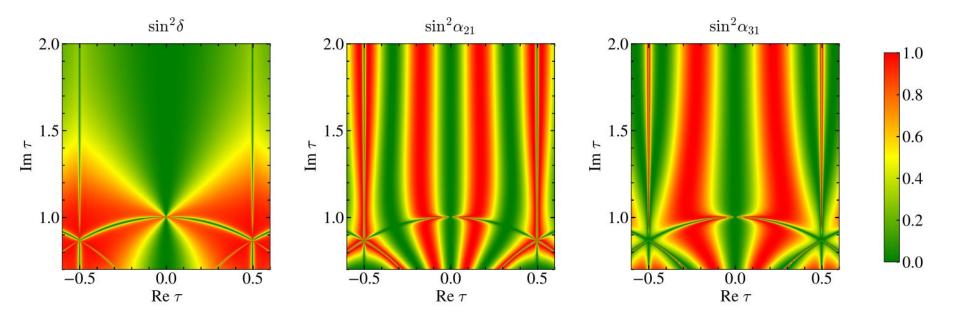
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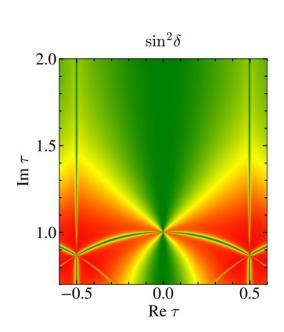
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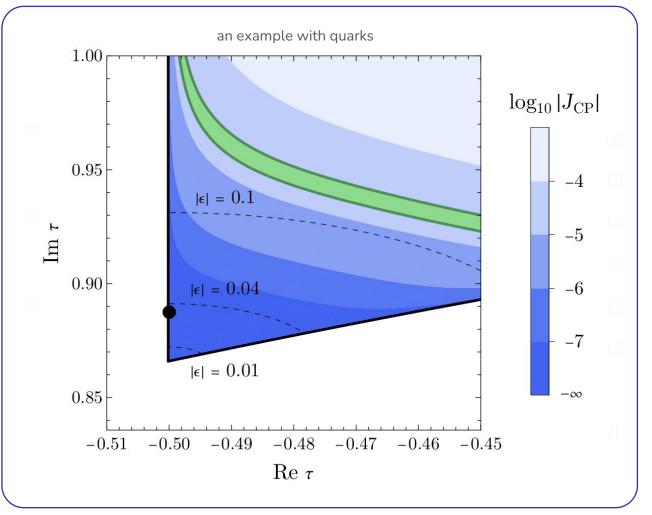


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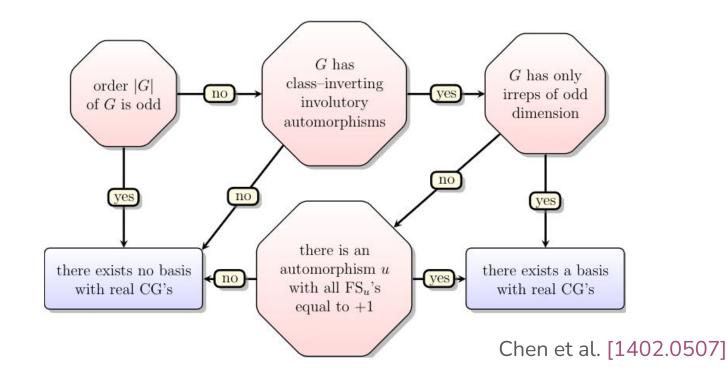




Varzielas, Levy, JP, Petcov [2307.14410]

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- Non-standard class-inverting automorphisms (CPs) can be found in double and metaplectic covers of the modular group:
 - CP2 for SL(2,Z) in the S4' context [2006.03058]
 only valid for even N and specific irreps
 (may be incompat. with pheno)
 - CP2,3,4 for Mp(2,Z) [see Ding slides at Bethe Workshop]

Fermion mass hierarchies



Much adoe about Mixing.

As it hath been sundrie times publikely acted by the right honourable, the Lord Chamberlaine his feruants.

Written by William Shakespeare.



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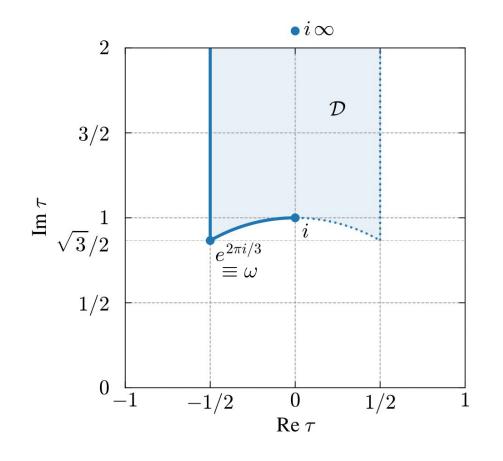
Novichkov, JP, Petcov [2102.07488]

Idea by now applied in several works, see:

Petcov, Tanimoto [2212.13336]; Abe, Higaki, Kawamura, Kobayashi [2301.07439, 2302.11183]; Kikuchi, Kobayashi, Nasu, Takada, Uchida [2301.03737, 2302.03326]

[see also talk by M. Tanimoto]

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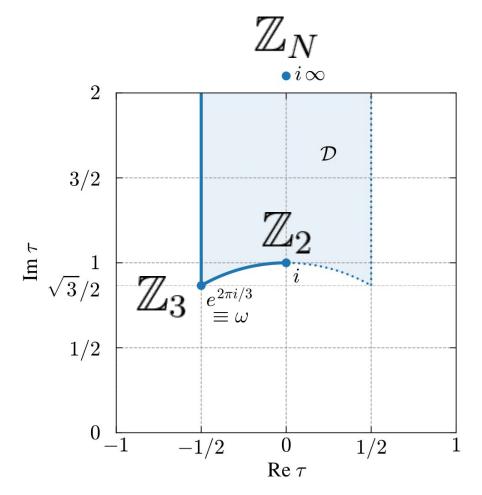
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In the vicinity of the sym. point, the couplings are

$$\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^l)$$

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 $\psi^{c} M \psi$

$$\begin{split} \psi &\xrightarrow{\gamma} (c\tau + d)^{-k} \rho(\gamma) \psi \\ \psi^c &\xrightarrow{\gamma} (c\tau + d)^{-k^c} \rho^c(\gamma) \psi^c \\ M(\tau) &\xrightarrow{\gamma} M(\gamma\tau) = (c\tau + d)^K \rho^c(\gamma)^* M(\tau) \rho(\gamma)^\dagger \end{split}$$

 $\psi \rightsquigarrow \mathbf{1}_{...} \oplus \mathbf{1}_{...} \oplus \mathbf{1}_{...}$ $\psi^c \rightsquigarrow \mathbf{1}_{\dots} \oplus \mathbf{1}_{\dots} \oplus \mathbf{1}_{\dots}$

In general, depend on weights **Determined for all** $N \leq 5$

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For $\psi^c \, M \, \psi$, we expect:

$$M \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \epsilon^4 & \epsilon \\ \epsilon^3 & \epsilon^2 & \epsilon^4 \\ \epsilon^2 & \epsilon & \epsilon^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

with $\epsilon = e^{-2\pi \operatorname{Im} \tau/5}$

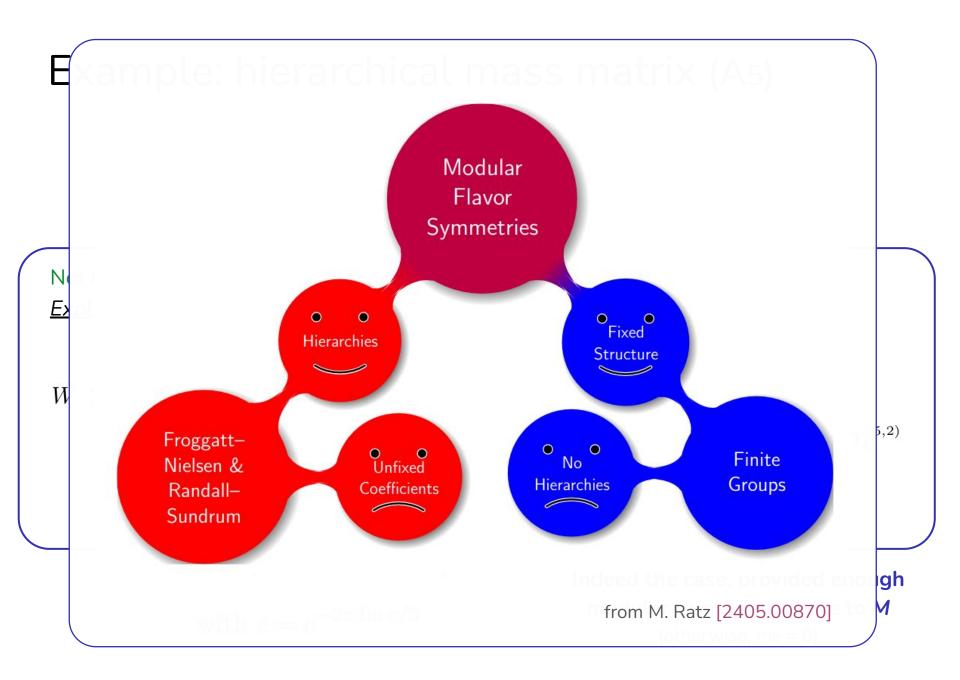
fermion spectrum

 \Rightarrow

 $\sim (1, \epsilon, \epsilon^4)$

Indeed the case, provided enough modular forms contribute to *M* (otherwise, me = 0)

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Performed for 3 generations, for all $N \leq 5$

(simplifying assumption: family-blind weights)

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3	3 '	(1,1,1)	(1,1,1)	(1,1,1)	$(1,\epsilon,\epsilon^4)$
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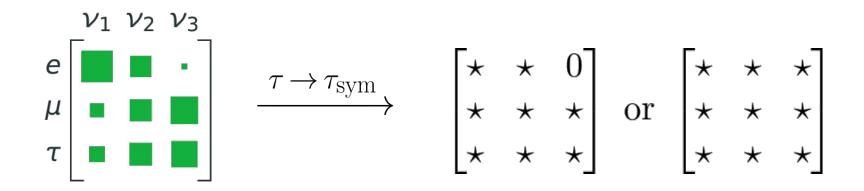
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Promising hierarchical patterns (try leptons)

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5	A_5'	$(1,\epsilon,\epsilon^4)$	$\tau\simeq i\infty$	$3\otimes\mathbf{3'}$			
	Masses are OK, but mixing is tuned :(Wrong PMNS in the symmetric limit: $L \sim (3,3), E^c \sim (3',1), N^c \sim (\hat{2},2)$ 8 parameters						

parameters are driven into cancellations

How to avoid fine-tuning (in the lepton sector)



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Reyimuaji, Romanino [1801.10530]

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			$\tau\simeq\omega$	$[1_{a}\oplus1_{a}\oplus1_{a}']\otimes[1_{b}\oplus1_{b}\oplus1_{b}'']$	2
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Superpotential:

$$\begin{split} W &= \left[\alpha_1 \left(Y_{\mathbf{3}',1}^{(4,6)} E^c L_1 \right)_{\mathbf{1}} + \alpha_3 \left(Y_{\mathbf{3}',1}^{(4,6)} E^c L_2 \right)_{\mathbf{1}} + \alpha_4 \left(Y_{\mathbf{3}',2}^{(4,6)} E^c L_2 \right)_{\mathbf{1}} + \alpha_5 \left(Y_{\mathbf{3}}^{(4,6)} E^c L_3 \right)_{\mathbf{1}} \right] H_d \\ &+ \left[g_1 \left(Y_{\mathbf{\hat{3}}}^{(4,3)} N^c L_1 \right)_{\mathbf{1}} + g_2 \left(Y_{\mathbf{\hat{3}}}^{(4,3)} N^c L_2 \right)_{\mathbf{1}} + g_3 \left(Y_{\mathbf{\hat{3}}'}^{(4,3)} N^c L_3 \right)_{\mathbf{1}} \right] H_u \\ &+ \Lambda \left(Y_{\mathbf{2}}^{(4,2)} (N^c)^2 \right)_{\mathbf{1}} \,. \end{split}$$

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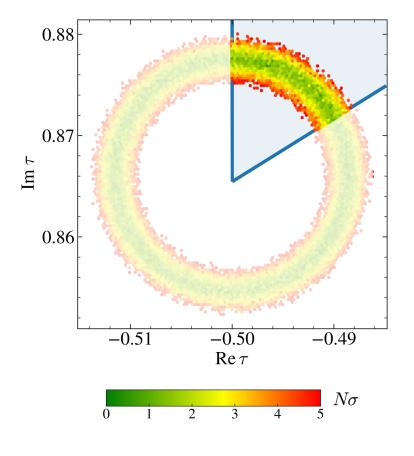
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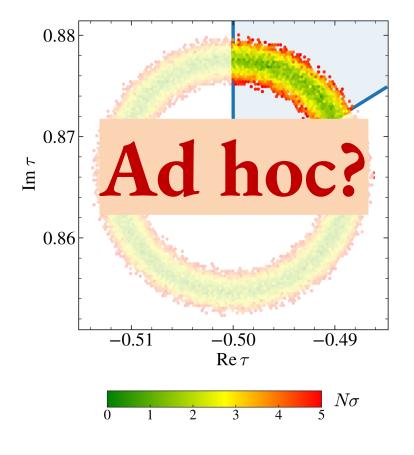
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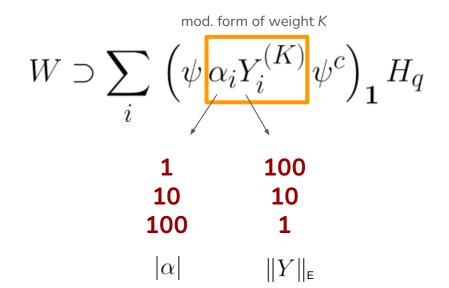
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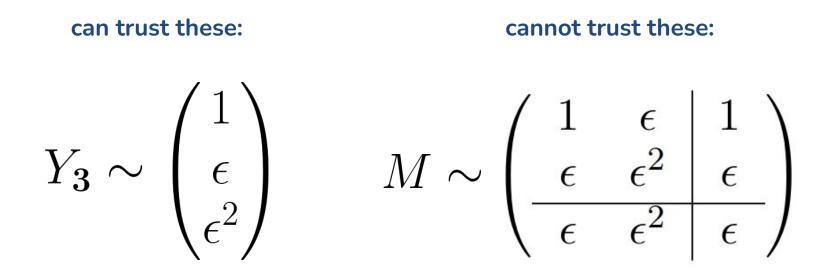
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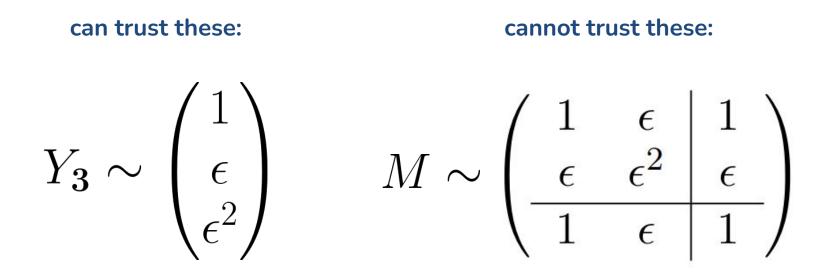
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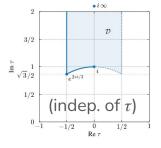
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A normalization proposal / choice

Petcov [2311.04185], D. Zagier (1981)

A "global" normalisation based on the Petersson inner product

$$\mathrm{N}\left[Y^{(K)}\right]^{2} \equiv \iint_{\mathcal{D}} \sum_{i} \left|Y_{i}^{(K)}(x+iy)\right|^{2} (2y)^{K} \frac{dx \, dy}{y^{2}} \stackrel{!}{=} 1$$



different prescription for non-cusp forms (yet another if K=1)

- Is there a general top-down recipe?
- Basis ambiguity if there are several forms of the same weight and irrep

Strong CP

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The idea by Feruglio, Strumia, Titov [2305.08908]

- No axions! see instead Higaki, Kawamura, Kobayashi [2402.02071] for a modular origin of the axion
- Need to produce quark CPV phase in the CKM mixing matrix
- Need to **suppress**:

- It turns out to be holomorphic \rightarrow insensitive to Kähler!
- The determinants of the mass matrices are modular forms



The idea by Feruglio, Strumia, Titov [2305.08908]

• Taking weightless Higgses for simplicity, the determinants have weights

$$k_{\text{det}}^q \equiv \sum_i k_i + k_i^c$$

$$Q_i \xrightarrow{\gamma} (c\tau + d)^{-k_i} \rho_{ij}(\gamma) Q_j$$
$$q_i^c \xrightarrow{\gamma} (c\tau + d)^{-k_i^c} \rho_{ij}^c(\gamma) q_j^c$$

of a few slides ago :(

- To avoid massless quarks, must have $\ k^q_{
 m det} \geq 0$
- To cancel both the modular QCD anomaly and $\arg \det M_u M_d$ we require

$$k_{\rm det}^u = k_{\rm det}^d = 0$$

making both determinants τ -independent **constants** (weight 0) and **real**, due to the imposed gCP!

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Which matrices work?

(weight structures)

$$M_u: egin{pmatrix} k+k' & k' & 0\ k & 0 & -k'\ 0 & -k & -k-k' \end{pmatrix} \ M_d: egin{pmatrix} k+k' & k' & 0\ k & 0 & -k'\ 0 & -k & -k' \end{pmatrix}$$

at least one of k, k' non-zero

up to *simultaneous* permutations from the left and independent permutations from the right (weak basis transformations)

JP, Petcov [2404.08032]

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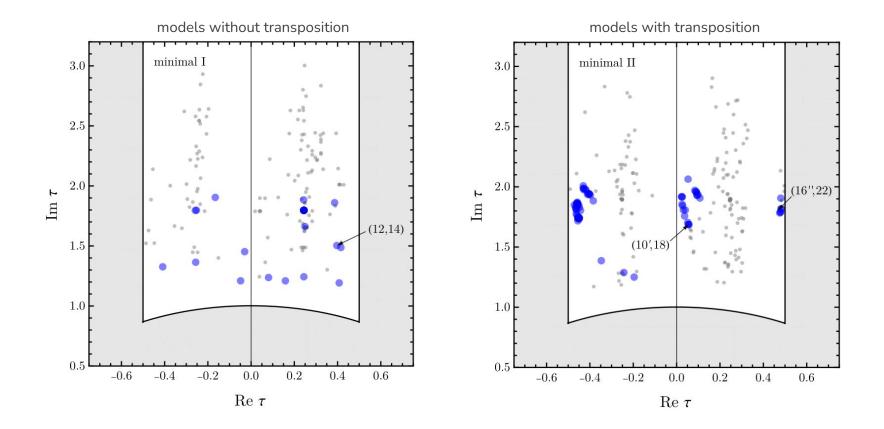
• Minimal models (6+6+2=14 parameters):

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^q & 0 & \tilde{\alpha}_{13}^q \,\mathcal{Y}_{q,13}^{(k+k')} \\ 0 & \alpha_2^q & \tilde{\alpha}_{23}^q \,\mathcal{Y}_{q,23}^{(k)} \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha_3^q \end{pmatrix}, \ k > 0, \ k' \ge 0 \\ \text{and its transpose}$$

listed all 462 one can get with $\Gamma' {\rm N}$

	Minimal models (I and II)
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A peek into the minimal model landscape



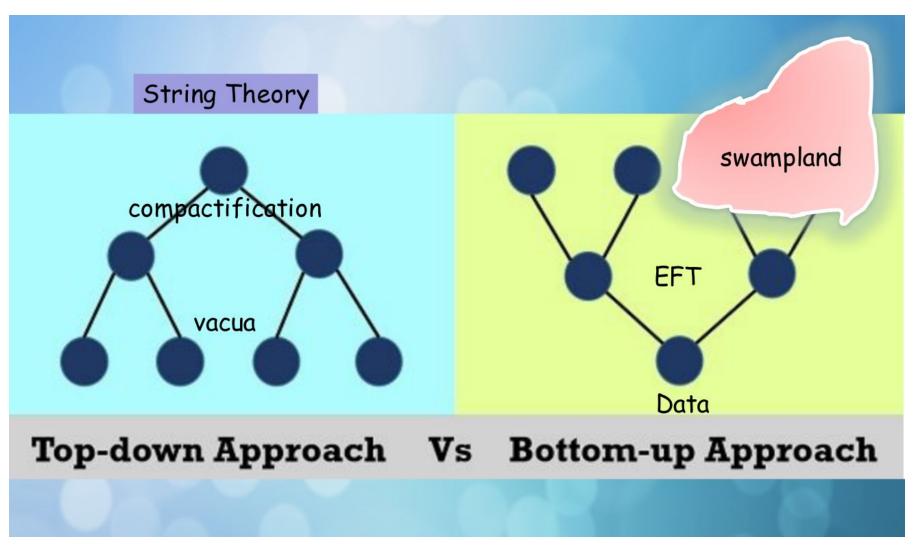
Moduli selection from the minimization of parameter hierarchies (log spread), using the normalization proposal in Petcov [2311.04185]

The top-down

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[see talks by S. Ramos-Sanchez, H. Otsuka, G. Leontaris]



from F. Feruglio's slides at Mod. Symmetry Bethe Workshop (2022)

State of the art



What about... the Kähler?

- Not holomorphic: unconstrained by the symmetry!
- Under a modular transformation, invariant up to: $K(\chi_i, \overline{\chi}_i; \tau, \overline{\tau}) \rightarrow K(\chi_i, \overline{\chi}_i; \tau, \overline{\tau}) + f(\chi_i; \tau) + f(\overline{\chi}_i; \overline{\tau})$
- Minimal choice:

$$K(\chi_i, \overline{\chi}_i; \tau, \overline{\tau}) = -h \Lambda_0^2 \log(-i(\tau - \overline{\tau})) + \sum_i \frac{|\chi_i|^2}{(-i(\tau - \overline{\tau}))^{k_i}}$$

impacts pheno \rightarrow should be justified from the top-down

Chen, Ramos-Sánchez and Ratz [1909.06910]

• Further constraints may arise from the (unavoidable...) combination of modular + traditional flavour symmetries

Nilles, Ramos-Sanchez, Vaudrevange [2004.05200]



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eclectic	modular	rotation S \in SL $(2, \mathbb{Z})_T$	\mathbb{Z}_4	<i>T'</i>				
		rotation T \in SL $(2, \mathbb{Z})_T$	\mathbb{Z}_3					
	traditional flavor	translation A	\mathbb{Z}_3	$\Delta(27)$		$\Delta'(54, 2, 1)$	$\Omega(2)$	
		translation B	\mathbb{Z}_3		$\Delta(54)$			
		rotation $C = S^2 \in SL(2, \mathbb{Z})_T$	\mathbb{Z}_2^R			$\Delta(34, 2, 1)$		
		rotation $\mathrm{R} = \gamma_{\scriptscriptstyle{(3)}} \in \mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{Z})_U$		\mathbb{Z}_9^R				

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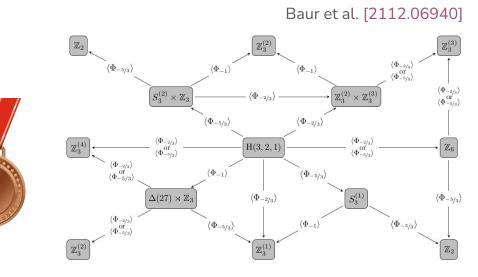
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	matter	eclectic flavor group $\Omega(2)$								5
sector	fields	modular T' subgroup				traditional $\Delta(54)$ subgroup				
ç	Φ_n	irrep \boldsymbol{s}	$\rho_{\boldsymbol{s}}(S)$	$\rho_{s}(T)$	n	irrep r	$\rho_{\boldsymbol{r}}(\mathbf{A})$	$\rho_{\boldsymbol{r}}(\mathbf{B})$	$\rho_{\boldsymbol{r}}(\mathbf{C})$	R
bulk	Φ_0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	$^{+1}$	0
	Φ_{-1}	1	1	1	-1	1'	1	1	$^{-1}$	3
θ	$\Phi_{-2/3}$	$2' \oplus 1$	$\rho(S)$	$\rho(T)$	-2/3	3_2	$\rho(A)$	$\rho(B)$	$+\rho(C)$	1
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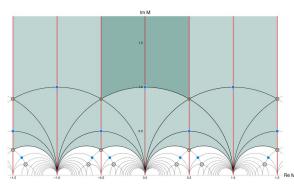
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- Top-down and bottom-up do **not yet** meet



but there are a few BU attempts: Chen et al. [2108.02240]; Ding et al. [2303.02071]; Li, Ding [2308.16901]

Moduli stabilization



early attempts: [1909.05139, 1910.11553]

[very incomplete discussion, please see talks by N. Righi, M. Ratz, J. Kawamura, X. Wang]

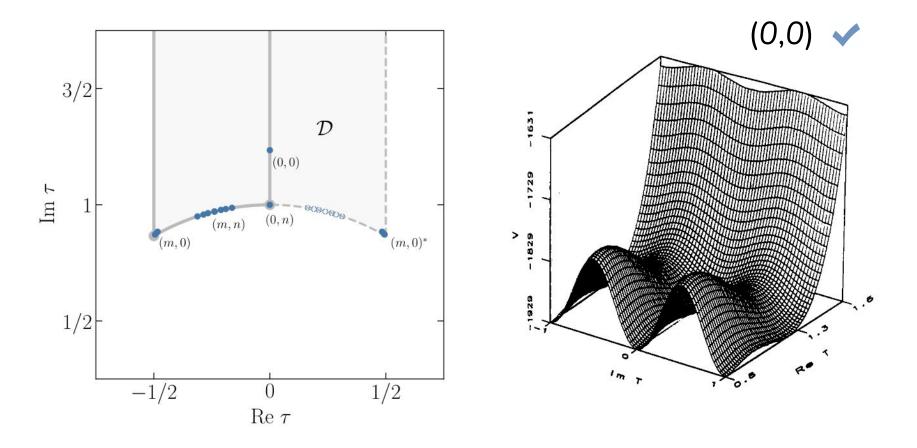
Simplest modular-invariant potentials?

- Studied by Cvetič, Font, Ibáñez, Lüst and Quevedo (1991) $\mathcal{N}=1~\text{SUGRA}$

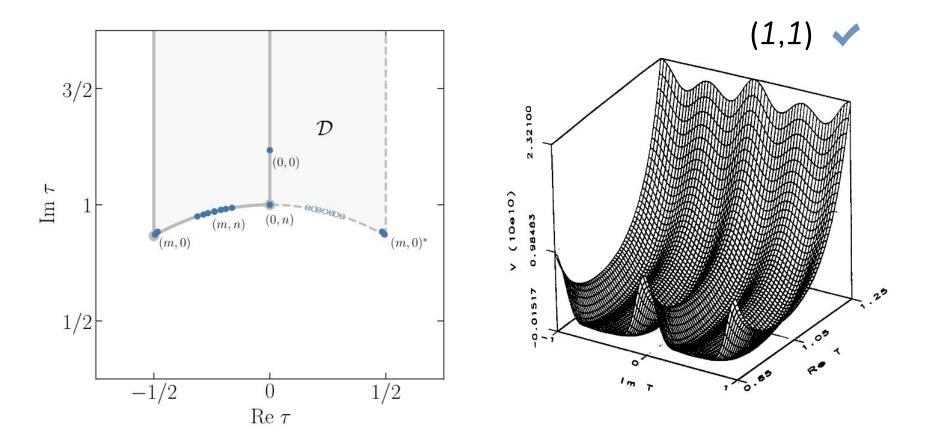
$$V(\tau, \overline{\tau}) = \frac{\Lambda_V^4}{8(\operatorname{Im} \tau)^3 |\eta|^{12}} \left[\frac{4}{3} \left| iH' + \frac{3}{2\pi} H \hat{G}_2 \right|^2 (\operatorname{Im} \tau)^2 - 3|H|^2 \right]$$
$$H(\tau) = (j(\tau) - 1728)^{m/2} j(\tau)^{n/3} \qquad W(\tau) = \Lambda_W^3 \frac{H(\tau)}{\eta(\tau)^6}$$

 $m, n = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$

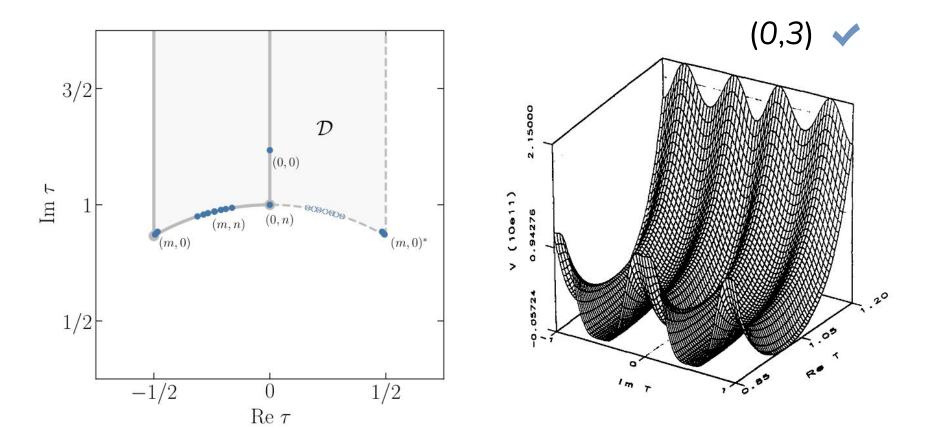
- This potential is **modular-** and **CP-invariant**
- Simplified model, independent of the level N



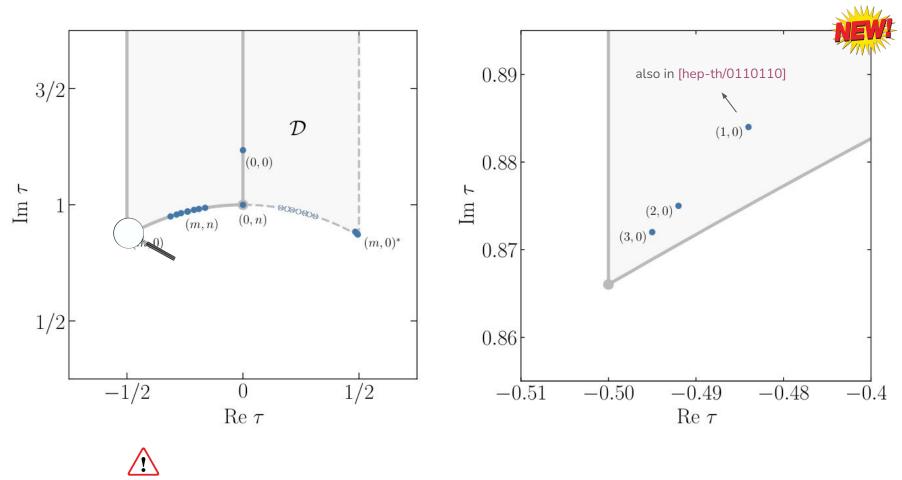
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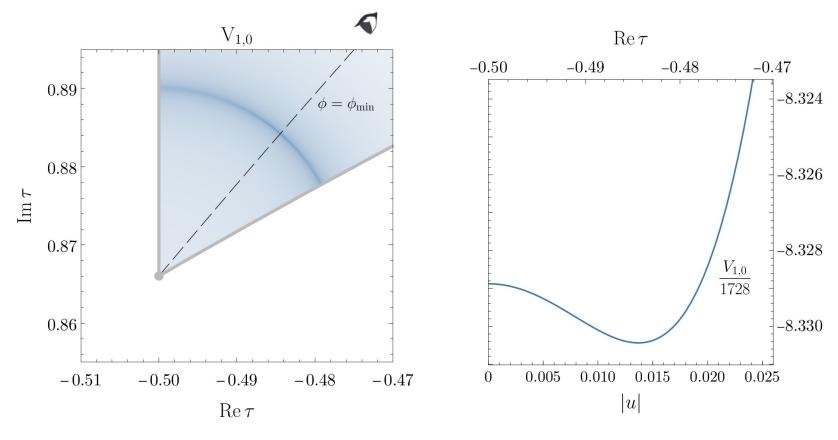
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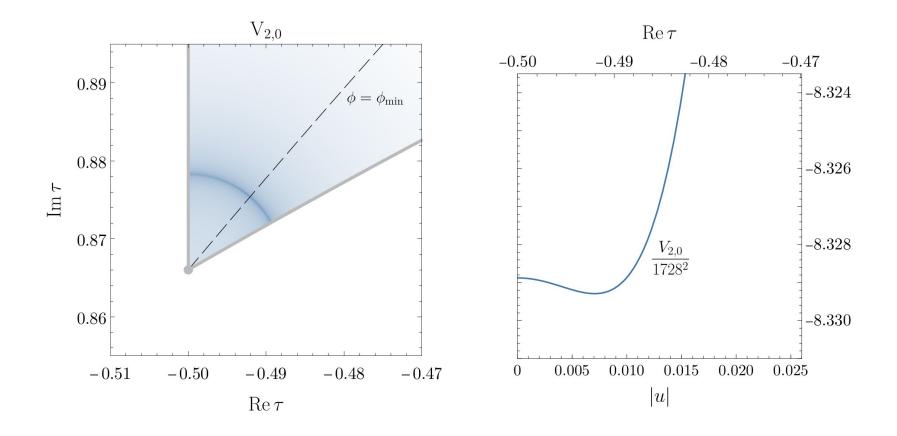
these results later confirmed by Leedom, Righi, Westphal [2212.03876]

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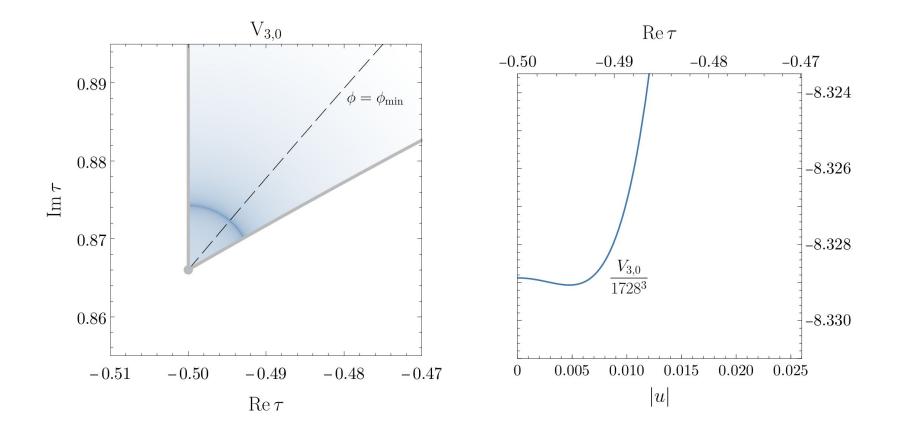


"Mexican"-hat potential

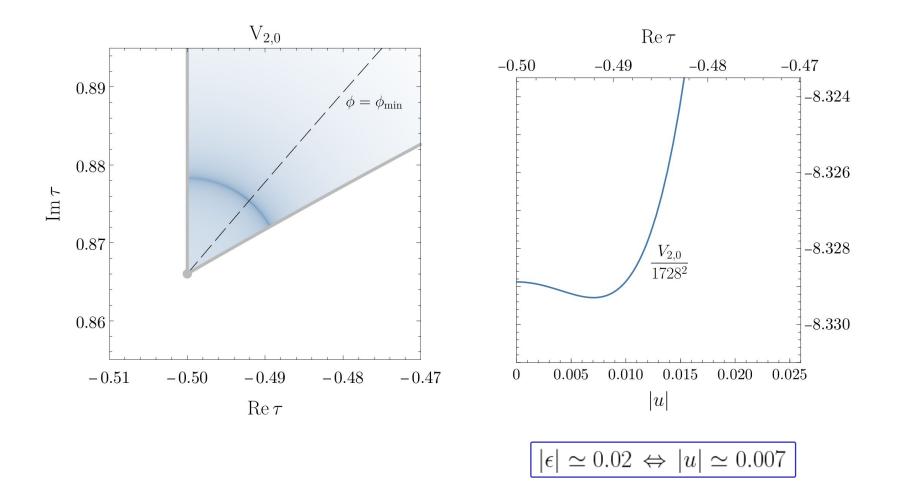
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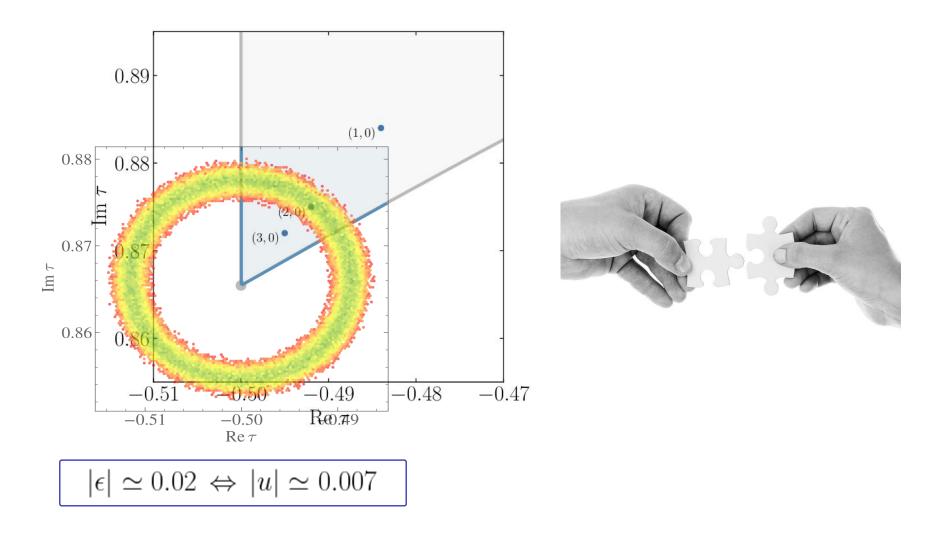
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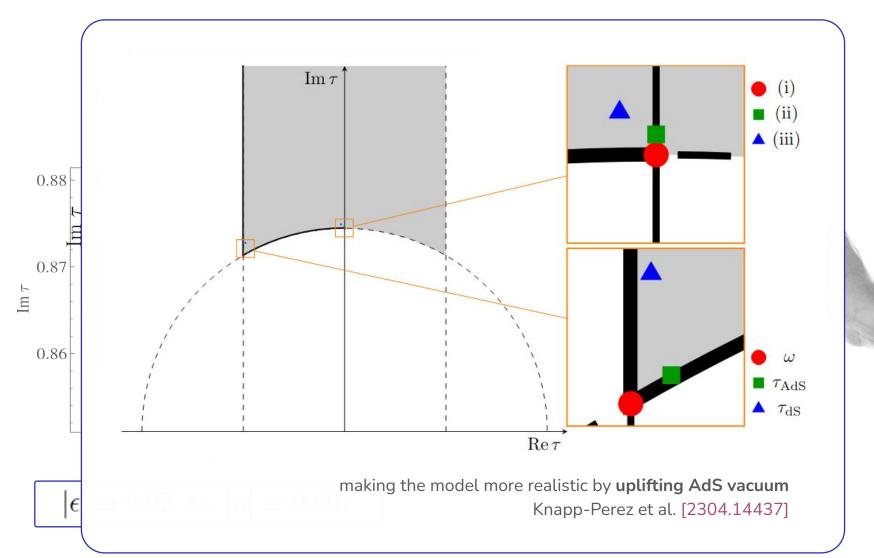


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Matching puzzle pieces?





to conclude...

Modular symmetries can... (in lieu of conclusions)

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...provide an origin for **CP violation** (CPV)

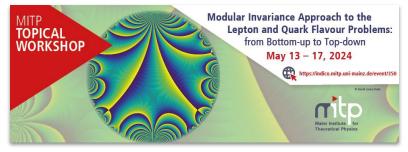
...explain fermion mass hierarchies

...help solve the **strong CP** problem

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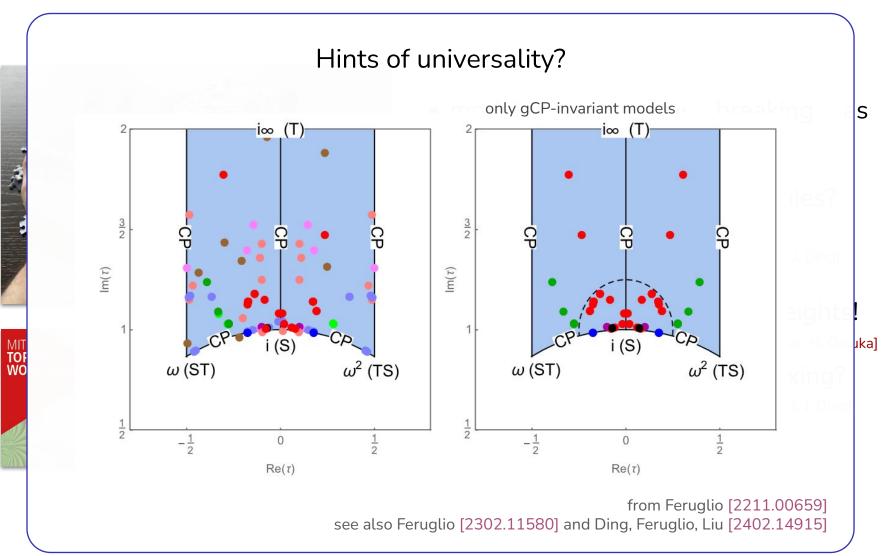
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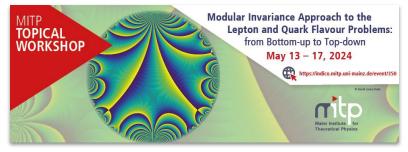
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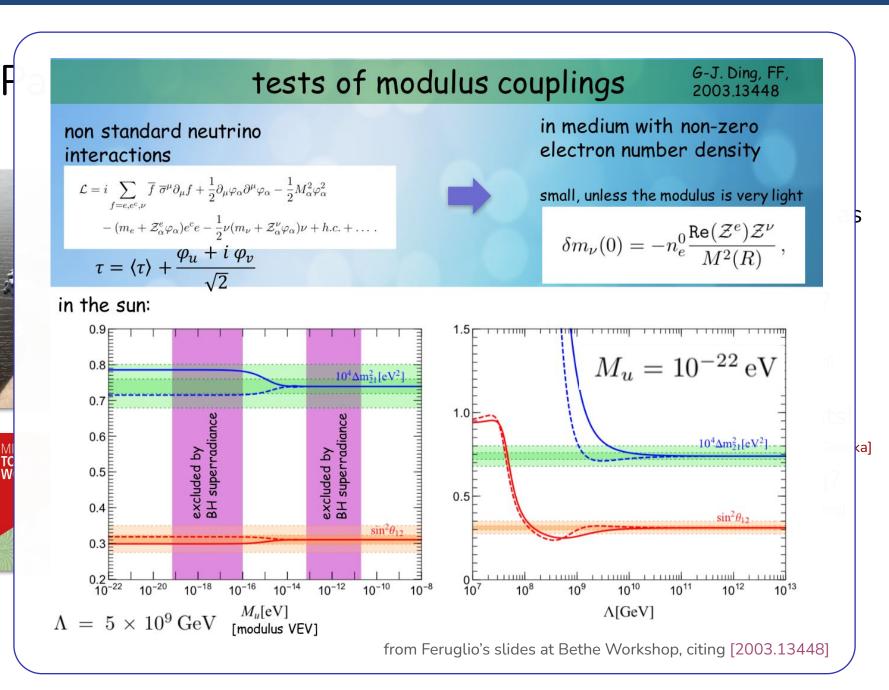


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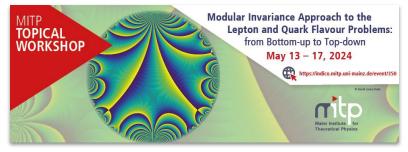


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Vielen Dank!

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Backup slides

Modular-invariant SUSY actions

Ferrara et al, '89

$$W(\psi;\tau) = \sum_{n} \sum_{\{i_1,\dots,i_n\}} \sum_{s} g_{i_1\dots i_n,s} \left(Y_{i_1\dots i_n,s}(\tau) \psi_{i_1}\dots \psi_{i_n} \right)_{1,s}$$
$$\mathcal{S} = \int d^4x \, d^2\theta \, d^2\overline{\theta} \, K(\psi,\overline{\psi};\tau,\overline{\tau}) + \int d^4x \, d^2\theta \, W(\psi;\tau) + \text{h.c.}$$

t is a dimensionless spurion: once its value is fixed, it **parameterizes all** modular sym. breaking

One may argue that Y's play the role of flavons, but structures are **completely fixed** given the modulus VEV

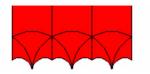
SUSY breaking effects?



- **RGEs & threshold corrections** need to be considered, depend on tan β and unknown SUSY spectrum
- **SUSY-breaking** corrections can be made negligible via separation of scales (power counting argument)
- Under reasonable conditions, predictions may be unaffected

Feruglio and Criado [1807.01125]

Larger fundamental domains?



- Despite working with representations of the quotients, theories in the BU are typically **fully modular invariant**
- To have canonical kinetic terms,

$$\tau \to \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d} \quad \Rightarrow \quad g_i \to (c\tau + d)^{-k_{Y_i}} g_i$$

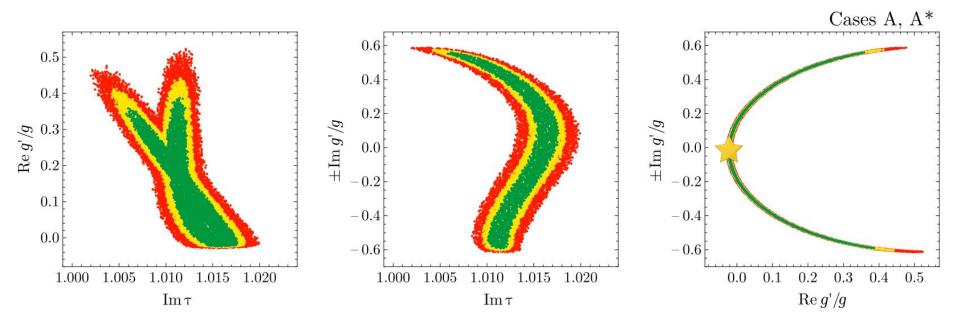
• e.g. in a particular model, see sec. 4 of Novichkov, JP, Petcov, Titov [1811.04933]

$$\left(\frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}, (c\tau+d)^{-2} \beta/\alpha, (c\tau+d)^{-2} \gamma/\alpha, g'/g, \dots, \Lambda'/\Lambda, \dots\right) \rightarrow$$

these different parameter sets lead to the same observables

• Things may be different if **flavons** are present!

Correlations between parameters in the first S4 example model



Novichkov, JP, Petcov, Titov [1811.04933]

Decompositions under residual groups: S3, A4'

r	$\mathbb{Z}_4^S \left(\tau = i \right)$	$\mathbb{Z}_3^{ST}\times\mathbb{Z}_2^R(\tau=\omega)$	$\mathbb{Z}_2^T \times \mathbb{Z}_2^R \left(\tau = i \infty \right)$
1	1_k	1_k^\pm	1_{0}^{\pm}
1′	1_{k+2}	1_k^\pm	1_{1}^{\pm}
2	$1_k \oplus 1_{k+2}$	$1_{k-1}^{\pm} \oplus 1_{k+1}^{\pm}$	$1_0^\pm\oplus 1_1^\pm$
r	$\mathbb{Z}_4^S \left(\tau = i \right)$	$\mathbb{Z}_3^{ST}\times\mathbb{Z}_2^R(\tau=\omega)$	$\mathbb{Z}_3^T\times\mathbb{Z}_2^R(\tau=i\infty)$
1	1_k	1_k^\pm	1_0^{\pm}
1′	1_k	1_{k+1}^{\pm}	1_1^{\pm}
1″	1_k	1_{k+2}^{\pm}	1_2^{\pm}
$\hat{2}$	$1_{k+1} \oplus 1_{k+3}$	$1_{k}^{\mp}\oplus1_{k+1}^{\mp}$	$1_0^{\mp} \oplus 1_1^{\mp}$
$\hat{2}'$	$1_{k+1}\oplus1_{k+3}$	$1_{k+1}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k+2}^{\mp}$	$1_1^{\mp} \oplus 1_2^{\mp}$
$\hat{2}''$	$1_{k+1} \oplus 1_{k+3}$	$1_{k}^{\mp}\oplus1_{k+2}^{\mp}$	$1_0^{\mp} \oplus 1_2^{\mp}$
3	$1_k \oplus 1_{k+2} \oplus 1_{k+2}$	$1_k^\pm \oplus 1_{k+1}^\pm \oplus 1_{k+2}^\pm$	$1_0^\pm\oplus 1_1^\pm\oplus 1_2^\pm$

Decompositions under residual groups: S4'

r	$\mathbb{Z}_4^S \left(\tau = i \right)$	$\mathbb{Z}_3^{ST}\times\mathbb{Z}_2^R(\tau=\omega)$	$\mathbb{Z}_4^T\times\mathbb{Z}_2^R(\tau=i\infty)$
1	1_k	1_k^\pm	1_0^{\pm}
î	1_{k+1}	1_k^{\mp}	1_3^{\mp}
1′	1_{k+2}	1_k^\pm	1^{\pm}_2
î′	1_{k+3}	1_k^{\mp}	1_1^{\mp}
2	$1_{k+2}\oplus1_k$	$1_{k+1}^{\pm} \oplus 1_{k+2}^{\pm}$	$1_0^\pm\oplus 1_2^\pm$
2	$1_{k+1} \oplus 1_{k+3}$	$1_{k+1}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k+2}^{\mp}$	$1_1^{\mp} \oplus 1_3^{\mp}$
3	$1_{k+2}\oplus1_k\oplus1_k$	$1_k^\pm \oplus 1_{k+1}^\pm \oplus 1_{k+2}^\pm$	$1_1^\pm\oplus1_2^\pm\oplus1_3^\pm$
ŝ	$1_{k+1} \oplus 1_{k+1} \oplus 1_{k+3}$	$1_{k}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k+1}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k+2}^{\mp}$	$1_0^{\mp} \oplus 1_1^{\mp} \oplus 1_2^{\mp}$
3 '	$1_{k+2} \oplus 1_{k+2} \oplus 1_k$	$1_k^\pm\oplus1_{k+1}^\pm\oplus1_{k+2}^\pm$	$1_0^\pm\oplus 1_1^\pm\oplus 1_3^\pm$
$\mathbf{\hat{3}}'$	$1_{k+1} \oplus 1_{k+3} \oplus 1_{k+3}$	$1_{k}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k+1}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k+2}^{\mp}$	$1_0^{\mp} \oplus 1_2^{\mp} \oplus 1_3^{\mp}$

Decompositions under residual groups: A5'

r	$\mathbb{Z}_4^S \left(au = i ight)$	$\mathbb{Z}_3^{ST}\times\mathbb{Z}_2^R(\tau=\omega)$	$\mathbb{Z}_5^T\times\mathbb{Z}_2^R(\tau=i\infty)$
1	1_k	1_k^\pm	1_0^{\pm}
${f \hat{2}}$	$1_{k+1} \oplus 1_{k+3}$	$1_{k+1}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k+2}^{\mp}$	$1_2^{\mp} \oplus 1_3^{\mp}$
$\hat{2}'$	$1_{k+1} \oplus 1_{k+3}$	$1_{k+1}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k+2}^{\mp}$	$1_1^{\mp} \oplus 1_4^{\mp}$
3	$1_k \oplus 1_{k+2} \oplus 1_{k+2}$	$1_k^\pm \oplus 1_{k+1}^\pm \oplus 1_{k+2}^\pm$	$1_0^\pm\oplus 1_1^\pm\oplus 1_4^\pm$
3 '	$1_k \oplus 1_{k+2} \oplus 1_{k+2}$	$1_k^\pm \oplus 1_{k+1}^\pm \oplus 1_{k+2}^\pm$	$1_0^\pm\oplus 1_2^\pm\oplus 1_3^\pm$
4	$1_k \oplus 1_k \oplus 1_{k+2} \oplus 1_{k+2}$	$1_k^\pm \oplus 1_k^\pm \oplus 1_{k+1}^\pm \oplus 1_{k+2}^\pm$	$1_1^\pm\oplus1_2^\pm\oplus1_3^\pm\oplus1_4^\pm$
Â	$1_{k+1} \oplus 1_{k+1} \oplus 1_{k+3} \oplus 1_{k+3}$	$1_{k}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k+1}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k+2}^{\mp}$	$1_1^{\mp} \oplus 1_2^{\mp} \oplus 1_3^{\mp} \oplus 1_4^{\mp}$
5	$1_k \oplus 1_k \oplus 1_k \oplus 1_{k+2} \oplus 1_{k+2}$	$1_k^\pm \oplus 1_{k+1}^\pm \oplus 1_{k+1}^\pm \oplus 1_{k+2}^\pm \oplus 1_{k+2}^\pm$	$1_0^\pm \oplus 1_1^\pm \oplus 1_2^\pm \oplus 1_3^\pm \oplus 1_4^\pm$
Ĝ	$1_{k+1} \oplus 1_{k+1} \oplus 1_{k+1} \oplus 1_{k+3} \oplus 1_{k+3} \oplus 1_{k+3}$	$1_{k}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k+1}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k+1}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k+2}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k+2}^{\mp} \oplus 1_{k+2}^{\mp}$	$1_0^{\mp} \oplus 1_0^{\mp} \oplus 1_1^{\mp} \oplus 1_2^{\mp} \oplus 1_3^{\mp} \oplus 1_4^{\mp}$

Details of the model fit

Model	Section 4.2 (S'_4)
$\operatorname{Re}\tau$	$-0.496\substack{+0.009\\-0.016}$
$\operatorname{Im}\tau$	$0.877\substack{+0.0023\\-0.024}$
α_2/α_1	· · · · · · ·
$\alpha_3/lpha_1$	$2.45_{-0.42}^{+0.44}$
$\alpha_4/lpha_1$	$-2.37\substack{+0.36\\-0.3}$
$lpha_5/lpha_1$	$1.01\substack{+0.06 \\ -0.06}$
g_2/g_1	$1.5\substack{+0.15 \\ -0.14}$
g_3/g_1	$2.22_{-0.15}^{+0.17}$
$v_d \alpha_1, \mathrm{GeV}$	$4.61^{+1.32}_{-1.33}$
$v_u^2 g_1 / \Lambda, \mathrm{eV}$	$0.268\substack{+0.057\\-0.063}$
$\epsilon(au)$	$0.0186\substack{+0.0028\\-0.0023}$
CL mass pattern	$(1,\epsilon,\epsilon^2)$
$\max(BG)$	0.848

m_e/m_μ	$0.00475^{+0.00061}_{-0.00052}$
$m_\mu/m_ au$	$0.0556\substack{+0.0136\\-0.0116}$
r	$0.0298\substack{+0.00196\\-0.0023}$
$\delta m^2, 10^{-5} \mathrm{eV}^2$	$7.38\substack{+0.35 \\ -0.44}$
$ \Delta m^2 , 10^{-3} {\rm eV}^2$	$2.48\substack{+0.05 \\ -0.04}$
$\sin^2\theta_{12}$	$0.304\substack{+0.039\\-0.036}$
$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$	$0.0221\substack{+0.0019\\-0.002}$
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	$0.539\substack{+0.0522\\-0.099}$
m_1,eV	0
m_2, eV	$0.0086\substack{+0.0002\\-0.00026}$
m_3,eV	$0.0502\substack{+0.00046\\-0.00043}$
$\Sigma_i m_i$, eV	$0.0588\substack{+0.0002\\-0.0002}$
$ \langle m \rangle ,\mathrm{eV}$	$0.00144\substack{+0.00035\\-0.00033}$
δ/π	$1\pm \mathcal{O}(10^{-6})$
α_{21}/π	0
$lpha_{31}/\pi$	$1\pm \mathcal{O}(10^{-5})$
Νσ	0.563

The QCD angle is holomorphic

Furthermore, extra non-minimal kinetic terms are possible, because the 3×3 kinetic matrices $Z_f(\tau, \tau^{\dagger})$ of fermions $f = \{u_R, d_R, Q\}$ are not holomorphic in τ , and modular invariance allows them to depend on the CP-violating parameters τ, τ^{\dagger} in new ways. These non-minimal kinetic terms reduce the predictive power of flavour models based on modular symmetries [28, 41–43] and are often assumed to be negligible.

Such extra complex terms are not a problem for our proposed interpretation of the QCD problem, $\bar{\theta} = 0$. Indeed each kinetic matrix Z_f can be brought to canonical form via a general linear transformation of the three generations of $f_{1,2,3}$ quarks: a linear transformation affects both arg det M_q and $\theta_{\rm QCD}$ (via the anomaly) but leaves the physical combination $\bar{\theta}$ invariant. Furthermore, these linear transformations can be chosen in ways that leave arg det M_q and $\theta_{\rm QCD}$ separately invariant, by decomposing each kinetic matrix Z_f either as $Z_f = H_f^{\dagger}H_f$ (where H_f is an hermitian matrix, see e.g. [44]) or as $Z_f = V_f^{\dagger}\Delta_f^2 V_f$ (where Δ_f is a diagonal matrix with real positive entries and V_f is a product of 3 complex rotations with unit determinant). The consequent linear transformation of quark fields affects their masses and mixings (including the CKM phase) without affecting arg det M_q .

This discussion shows that, unlike fermion masses and mixing angles, the physical $\bar{\theta}$ angle is a holomorphic quantity completely insensitive to the Kähler potential and can be effectively constrained by modular invariance alone, at least in the limit of unbroken supersymmetry.

Simplest modular-invariant potentials?

- Studied by Cvetič, Font, Ibáñez, Lüst and Quevedo (1991) $\mathcal{N}=1~\text{SUGRA}$

$$K(\tau, \overline{\tau}) = -\Lambda_K^2 \log(2 \operatorname{Im} \tau)$$

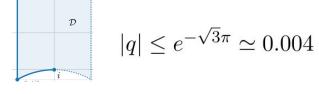
$$G(\tau, \overline{\tau}) = \kappa^2 K(\tau, \overline{\tau}) + \log \left| \kappa^3 W(\tau) \right|^2 \qquad \kappa^2 = \frac{8\pi}{M_P^2}$$

• Superpotential has modular weight -n = -1, -2 [-3, ...]

$$W(au) = \Lambda_W^3 \frac{H(au)}{\eta(au)^{2\mathfrak{n}}} \qquad \mathfrak{n} = \kappa^2 \Lambda_K^2$$

• Simplified model, independent of the level *N*

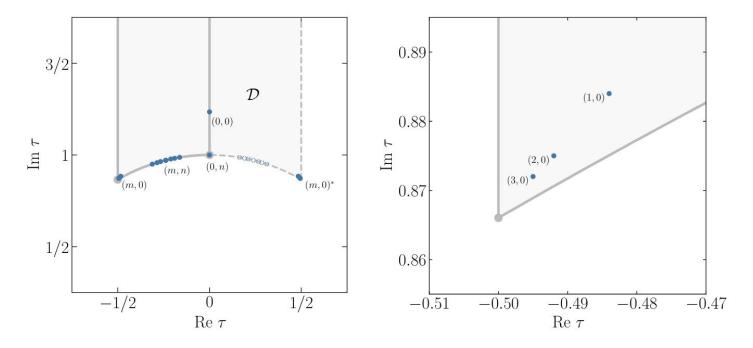
q- and u-expansions of
$$\eta$$



$$\eta = q^{1/24} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} (-1)^n q^{\frac{3n^2 - n}{2}} = q^{1/24} \left(1 - q - q^2 + q^5 + q^7 - q^{12} - q^{15} + \mathcal{O}(q^{22}) \right)$$

$$\begin{split} u &\equiv \frac{\tau - \omega}{\tau - \omega^2} & \tilde{\eta}(u) \equiv \frac{\eta(u)}{\sqrt{1 - u}} \\ u &\xrightarrow{ST} \omega^2 u & \tilde{\eta}(u) \xrightarrow{ST} \tilde{\eta}(u) \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\eta}(u) &\simeq e^{-i\pi/24} \left(0.800579 - 0.573569 u^3 - 0.780766 u^6 - 0.150007 u^9 \right) + \mathcal{O}(u^{12}) \\ &\equiv e^{-i\pi/24} \left(\tilde{\eta}_0 + \tilde{\eta}_3 u^3 + \tilde{\eta}_6 u^6 + \tilde{\eta}_9 u^9 \right) + \mathcal{O}(u^{12}) \,, \end{split}$$



(0,0) is a single minimum at $\tau \simeq 1.2i$ on the imaginary axis, corresponding to the case m = n = 0;

(0, n) is a single minimum at the symmetric point $\tau = i$ attained when $m = 0, n \neq 0$;

- (m, 0) and $(m, 0)^*$ are a pair of degenerate minima for each $m \neq 0$ and n = 0: (m, 0) is located in the vicinity of the left cusp $\tau = \omega$, approaching this symmetric point as m increases, while $(m, 0)^*$ is its CP-conjugate;
- (m, n) is a series of minima on the unit arc, corresponding to $m \neq 0$, $n \neq 0$; these minima shift towards $\tau = \omega$ ($\tau = i$) along the arc as m (n) grows.

The (*m*,0) family of potentials

• *u*-expand (*m*,0) potentials to analyse them near the left cusp

$$V_{m,0} = \Lambda_V^4 \frac{1728^m}{\sqrt{3} \tilde{\eta}_0^{12}} \left\{ -1 - 2 |u|^2 + (A_m^2 - 3) |u|^4 \right\} + \mathcal{O}(|u|^6)$$

"Mexican"-hat potential
(cusp is a maximum!)

$$A_m \equiv \frac{864 |\tilde{\eta}_3|^3}{\pi^6 \tilde{\eta}_0^{27}} m + \frac{6 |\tilde{\eta}_3|}{\tilde{\eta}_0}$$

$$\simeq 68.78 m + 4.30$$

$$|u|_{\min} \simeq (A_m^2 - 3)^{-1/2}$$

$$\simeq A_m^{-1} = \underbrace{0.0145}{m} + 0.0625$$

The (m,0) family of potentials $u=|u|e^{i\phi}$ (phase dependence)

• *u*-expanding to higher order shows dependence on $\phi \in [-\pi/3, 0]$

$$V_{m,0} \propto -1 - 2 |u|^{2} + (A_{m}^{2} - 3) |u|^{4} + (-4 + 2A_{m}^{2} + B_{m}^{2} \cos 6\phi) |u|^{6} + 2A_{m}B_{m}^{2} \cos 3\phi |u|^{7} + (-5 + 3A_{m}^{2} + 2B_{m}^{2} \cos 6\phi) |u|^{8} + \mathcal{O}(|u|^{9})$$

$$B_{m}^{2} \equiv \frac{864 |\tilde{\eta}_{3}|^{3}}{\pi^{6} \tilde{\eta}_{0}^{27}} m \left[\frac{864 |\tilde{\eta}_{3}|^{3}}{\pi^{6} \tilde{\eta}_{0}^{27}} (m - 2) + \frac{3 (31 \tilde{\eta}_{3}^{2} - 10 \tilde{\eta}_{0} \tilde{\eta}_{6})}{\tilde{\eta}_{0} |\tilde{\eta}_{3}|}\right] + \frac{6 (7 \tilde{\eta}_{3}^{2} - 2 \tilde{\eta}_{0} \tilde{\eta}_{6})}{\tilde{\eta}_{0}^{2}} \simeq 4730.60 m^{2} - 2069.73 m + 33.26.$$

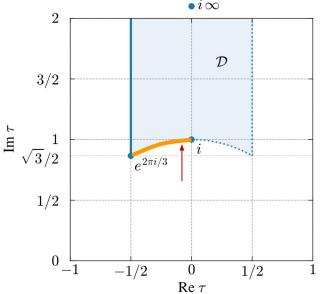
• Phase of u mostly determined by $|u|^6$ and $|u|^7$ terms

$$\phi_{\min} \simeq -\frac{2\pi}{9} = -40^{\circ}$$

The global SUSY limit (a comment)

$$\mathbf{n} = \kappa^2 \Lambda_K^2 \to 0 \qquad \begin{array}{c} K(\tau, \overline{\tau}) = -\Lambda_K^2 \log(2 \operatorname{Im} \tau) \\ \kappa^2 = 8\pi/M_P^2 \end{array}$$
$$W(\tau) = \Lambda_W^3 H(\tau) \qquad H(\tau) = (j(\tau) - 1728)^{m/2} j(\tau)^{n/3} \mathcal{P}(j(\tau)) \end{aligned}$$
$$V(\tau, \overline{\tau}) = \frac{4\Lambda_K^6}{\Lambda_K^2} (\operatorname{Im} \tau)^2 \left| H'(\tau) \right|^2 \qquad 2 \qquad \begin{array}{c} \bullet^{io} \\ & \bullet^{io} \end{array}$$

- Global minima are zeros of H'
- non-trivial $\mathcal{P}(j)$ can be engineered to produce minima at arbitrary points in the fundamental domain



No, there is no tuning in choosing this form of the superpotential (arguably)

$$H(\tau) \propto (J(\tau) - 1)^{m/2}$$

Subset of all possible $H(\tau)$ which vanish only at the symmetric point $\tau=i$ (itself distinguished by modular symmetry)

 $J(\tau) \equiv j(\tau)/1728$