



# Beyond $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ in the bottom-up approach

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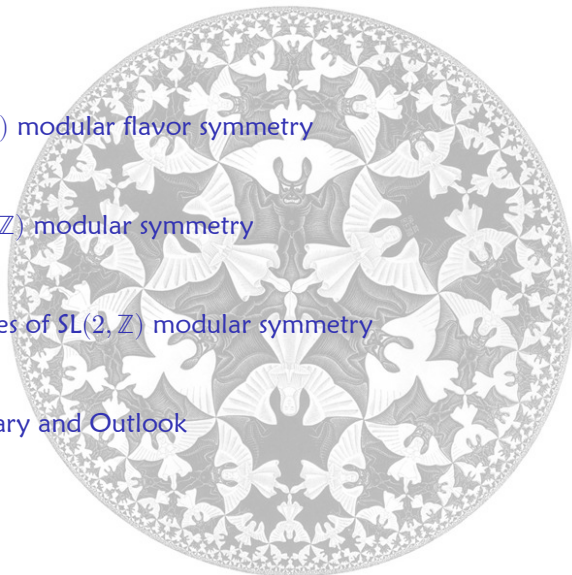
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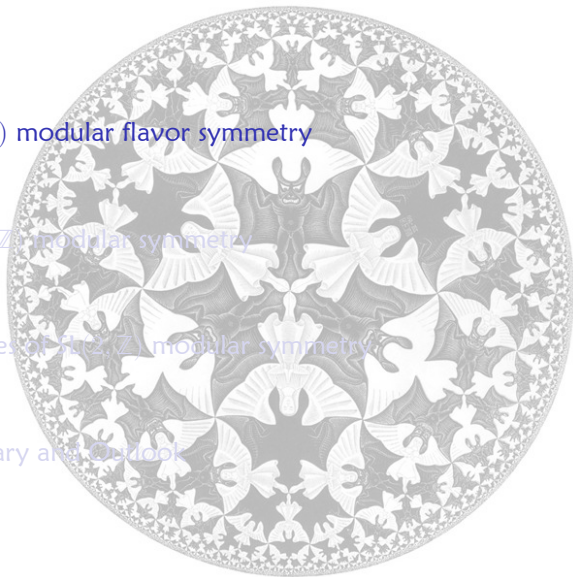


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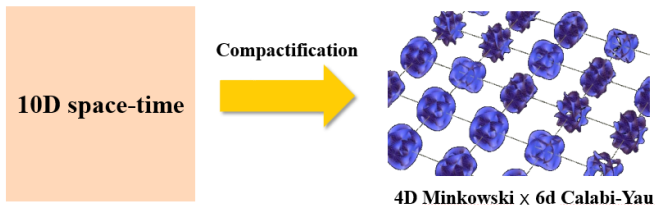
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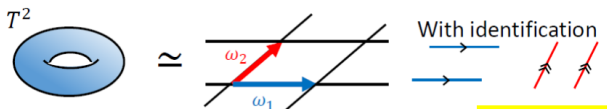
In string theory, extra dimension compactification leads to (target space)

**Modular symmetry** (See the talk by Ramos-Sanchez, Otsuka, Leontaris and Nasu)



$$S = \int d^4x d^6y \mathcal{L}_{10D} \Rightarrow \int d^4x \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}(\varphi, \tau_i)$$

Example: Torus compactification ( $6D \rightarrow 4D$ ):





- The shape of a torus is characterized by a modulus

$$\tau = \omega_1/\omega_2, \quad \text{Im}(\tau) > 0$$

which is in the complex upper half plane  $\mathcal{H} = \langle \tau \in \mathbb{C} | \text{Im}(\tau) > 0 \rangle$ .

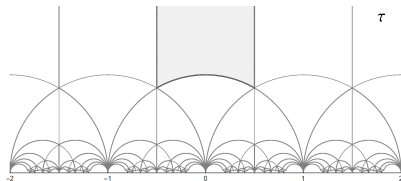
- The lattice (torus) is left invariant by modular transformations

$$\tau \mapsto \gamma\tau = \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}$$

where  $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$

$\implies$  **(Target space) Modular symmetry!**

- The inequivalent moduli vacua: fundamental domain  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{H}/\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$





- The matter fields  $\varphi_I$  undergoes a non-linear transformation under modular group: (Ferrara et al. 1989; Lauer, Mas, and Nilles 1989; Feruglio 2017)

$$\varphi_I \mapsto (c\tau + d)^{-k_I} \rho_I(\gamma) \varphi_I$$

with

- ◇  $k_I$ : modular weight of matter fields  $\varphi_I$
- ◇  $\rho_I$ : unitary irreps of  $\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$

## Remarks:

- $\rho$  with finite image:  $\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z}) / \ker(\rho) \cong \mathrm{Im}(\rho)$  is a finite (modular) group
- The finite modular group are  $\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z}) / \pm \Gamma(N) \equiv \Gamma_N$  in Ref. (Feruglio 2017)
- $\Gamma_N$  has extended to its double cover  $\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z}) / \Gamma(N) \equiv \Gamma'_N$  (Liu and Ding 2019)
- $\Gamma_N$  has extended to the most general cases  $\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z}) / \mathrm{Nor}$  (Liu and Ding 2022)
- Modular weights are arbitrary
- (The modular weight or) The modular transformation lacks an intuitive physical or geometric picture (See the talk by Victor)

The list of finite modular groups with order  $< 78$ :

Index	Normal subgroups $N$		Finite modular groups $\Gamma/N$	
	Label	Additional relators	Group structure	GAP Id
6	$\Gamma(2) \equiv N_{[6,1]}$	$T^2$	$S_3$	[6, 1]
12	$N_{[12,1]}$	$S^2T^2$	$Z_3 \rtimes Z_4 \cong 2D_3$	[12, 1]
	$\pm\Gamma(3) \equiv N_{[12,3]}$	$S^2, T^3$		$A_4$
18	$N_{[18,3]}$	$ST^{-2}ST^2$	$S_3 \times Z_3$	[18, 3]
24	$\Gamma(3) \equiv N_{[24,3]I}$	$T^3$	$T'$	[24, 3]
	$N_{[24,3]II}$	$S^2T^3$		
	$\pm\Gamma(4) \equiv N_{[24,12]}$	$S^2, T^4$	$S_4$	[24, 12]
	$N_{[24,13]}$	$S^2, (ST^{-1}ST)^2$	$A_4 \times Z_2$	[24, 13]
36	$N_{[36,6]}$	$S^3T^{-2}ST^2$	$(Z_3 \times Z_4) \times Z_3$	[36, 6]
42	$N_{[42,1]I}$	$T^6, (ST^{-1}S)^2TST^{-1}ST^2$	$Z_7 \times Z_6$	[42, 1]
	$N_{[42,1]II}$	$T^6, ST^{-1}ST(ST^{-1}S)^2T^2$		
48	$N_{[48,28]}$	$S^2T^4$	$2O$	[48, 28]
	$N_{[48,29]}$	$T^8, ST^4ST^{-4}$	$GL(2, 3)$	[48, 29]
	$\Gamma(4) \equiv N_{[48,30]}$	$T^4$	$A_4 \times Z_4 \cong S'_4$	[48, 30]
	$N_{[48,31]}$	$(ST^{-1}ST)^2$	$A_4 \times Z_4$	[48, 31]
	$N_{[48,32]}$	$S^2(ST^{-1}ST)^2$	$T' \times Z_2$	[48, 32]
	$N_{[48,33]}$	$T^{12}, ST^3ST^{-3}$	$((Z_4 \times Z_2) \times Z_2) \rtimes Z_3$	[48, 33]
54	$N_{[54,5]}$	$T^6, (ST^{-1}ST)^3$	$(Z_3 \times Z_3) \times Z_6$	[54, 5]
60	$\pm\Gamma(5) \equiv N_{[60,5]}$	$S^2, T^5$	$A_5$	[60, 5]
72	$N_{[72,42]}$	$T^{12}, ST^4ST^{-4}$	$S_4 \times Z_3$	[72, 42]
	$\pm\Gamma(6) \equiv N_{[72,44]}$	$S^2, T^6, (ST^{-1}STST^{-1}S)^2T^2$	$A_4 \times S_3$	[72, 44]
...	...	...	...	..



We work in the  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  global (or local) SUSY theory

- (Minimal) Kähler potential

$$\mathcal{K}(\varphi_I, \tau) = -k_W \Lambda^2 \log(-i\tau + i\bar{\tau}) + \sum_I (-i\tau + i\bar{\tau})^{-k_I} |\varphi_I|^2$$

- Superpotential

$$\mathcal{W}(\varphi_I, \tau) = Y_{IJK}(\tau) \varphi_I \varphi_J \varphi_K + \dots$$

$$\begin{cases} \text{modular invariant in global SUSY: } \mathcal{W} \xrightarrow{\gamma} \mathcal{W} \\ \text{modular covariant in local SUSY: } \mathcal{W} \xrightarrow{\gamma} (c\tau + d)^{-k_W} \rho_W(\gamma) \mathcal{W} \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Yukawa couplings  $Y_{IJK}(\tau)$  are **(vector-valued) modular forms**:

$$Y_{IJK}(\tau) \xrightarrow{\gamma} Y_{IJK}(\gamma\tau) = (c\tau + d)^{k_Y} \rho_Y(\gamma) Y_{IJK}(\tau)$$

with  $\begin{cases} k_Y = k_I + k_J + k_K, & \rho_Y \otimes \rho_I \otimes \rho_J \otimes \rho_K \ni \mathbf{1} \text{ in global SUSY} \\ k_Y = -k_W + k_I + k_J + k_K, & \rho_Y \otimes \rho_I \otimes \rho_J \otimes \rho_K \ni \rho_W \text{ in local SUSY} \end{cases}$





- Freedom of model building:  $\varphi_I, k_I, \rho_I$
- Three conditions on superpotential:
  - ◇ Modular invariance
  - ◇ Meromorphy
  - ◇ Finiteness
- For the given  $k_Y$  and  $\rho_Y$ , the modular forms space is finite-dimensional:  
**Only a finite number of possible Yukawa couplings !**

$$\dim \mathcal{M}_k(\rho) = \frac{(5+k)\dim \rho}{12} + \frac{i^k \text{Tr}(\rho(S^3))}{4} + \frac{(1+\omega)^k \text{Tr}(\rho(S^3 T))}{3(1-\omega)} + \frac{\omega^k \text{Tr}(\rho((ST)^2))}{3(1-\omega^2)} - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \text{Tr}(\log \rho(T))$$

- All higher-dimensional operators in  $\tau$  are completely determined
- No additional flavons other than a modulus  $\tau$
- Modulus VEV  $\langle \tau \rangle$  is treated as a free parameter

**The soul is the (vector-valued) modular form !**



Lucky! The theory of vector-valued modular forms for  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  has been established by mathematicians in the last twenty years (Gannon 2014; Franc and Mason 2016;

Franc and Mason 2018)

- Vector-valued modular forms (VVMFs) are defined by
  - ◇ Modularity:  $Y(\gamma\tau) = (c\tau + d)^k \rho(\gamma)Y(\tau)$
  - ◇ Finiteness:  $Y_i$  is holomorphic at infinity.
- Vector-valued modular forms  $\iff$  modular form multiplets
  - ◇ The scalar modular forms on  $\ker(\rho)$  can be organized into VVMFs in rep  $\rho$ .
  - ◇ Each component of VVMF  $Y(\tau)$  in the rep  $\rho$  is scalar modular form on  $\ker(\rho)$
- VVMFs always have  $q$ -expansion:

$$Y(\tau) = \begin{pmatrix} Y_1(\tau) \\ \vdots \\ Y_d(\tau) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} q^{r_1} \sum_{n \geq 0} a_1(n)q^n \\ \vdots \\ q^{r_d} \sum_{n \geq 0} a_d(n)q^n \end{pmatrix}, \quad q = e^{2\pi i \tau}$$

for  $\rho(T) = \text{diag}(e^{2\pi i r_1}, \dots, e^{2\pi i r_d})$ ,  $0 \leq r_i < 1$ .

How to construct VVMFs systematically? — structure theorem



- Denoting by  $\mathcal{M}_k(\rho)$  the linear space of holomorphic VVMFs

## Free-module theorem

The direct sums  $\mathcal{M}(\rho) = \bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{M}_k(\rho)$  is a **free module** over the ring  $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{1}) = \mathbb{C}[E_4, E_6]$  whose **rank** =  $\dim \rho$  (Marks and Mason 2010)

Here  $E_4$  and  $E_6$  are the Eisenstein series

$$E_4(\tau) = 1 + 240 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_3(n)q^n, \quad E_6(\tau) = 1 - 504 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_5(n)q^n,$$

with  $\sigma_k(n) = \sum_{d|n} d^k$ .

- Introducing modular differential operators  $D_k \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi i} \frac{d}{d\tau} - \frac{kE_2}{12}$  where  $E_2(\tau) = 1 - 24 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_1(n)q^n$ .
- $D_k$  preserves modularity of modular forms and increase its weight by 2, i.e.  $D_k Y(\gamma\tau) = (c\tau + d)^{k+2} \rho(\gamma) D_k Y(\tau)$  for  $Y \in \mathcal{M}_k(\rho)$   
The  $n$ th iteration of  $D_k$  is denoted by  $D_k^n \equiv D_{k+2(n-1)} \circ \dots \circ D_{k+2} \circ D_k$
- $\{F, D_k F, \dots, D_k^{d-1} F\}$  are linearly independent over  $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{1})$



- For  $\dim \rho \leq 3$ ,  $\{F, D_{k_0} F, \dots, D_{k_0}^{d-1} F\}$  forms a basis for module  $\mathcal{M}(\rho)$  where  $F$  is the VVMF of lowest weight  $k_0$
- Higher weight VVMFs can be written as the linear combination of the generators  $F, D_{k_0} F, \dots, D_{k_0}^{d-1} F$  over ring  $\mathbb{C}[E_4, E_6]$   
e.g.
  - $\dim \rho = 1$ :  $D_{k_0} F = 0$
  - $\dim \rho = 2$ :  $(D_{k_0}^2 + aE_4)F = 0$
  - $\dim \rho = 3$ :  $(D_{k_0}^3 + aE_4 D_{k_0} + bE_6)F = 0$

⇒ **Linear differential equation satisfied by VVMFs!**

The solutions are

- $\dim \rho = 1$ :  $F(\tau) = \eta^{24r_1}(\tau)$ .
- $\dim \rho = 2$ :  $F(\tau) = \left( \eta^{12(r_1+r_2)-2} K^{\frac{6(r_1-r_2)+1}{12}} {}_2F_1\left(\frac{6(r_1-r_2)+1}{12}, \frac{6(r_1-r_2)+5}{12}; r_1 - r_2 + 1; K\right) \right. \\ \left. \eta^{12(r_1+r_2)-2} K^{\frac{6(r_2-r_1)+1}{12}} {}_2F_1\left(\frac{6(r_2-r_1)+1}{12}, \frac{6(r_2-r_1)+5}{12}; r_2 - r_1 + 1; K\right) \right)$



- $\dim \rho = 3: F(\tau) = \begin{pmatrix} \eta^{8(r_1+r_2+r_3)-4} K \frac{a_1+1}{6} {}_3F_2\left(\frac{a_1+1}{6}, \frac{a_1+3}{6}, \frac{a_1+5}{6}; r_1-r_2+1, r_1-r_3+1; K\right) \\ \eta^{8(r_1+r_2+r_3)-4} K \frac{a_2+1}{6} {}_3F_2\left(\frac{a_2+1}{6}, \frac{a_2+3}{6}, \frac{a_2+5}{6}; r_2-r_3+1, r_2-r_1+1; K\right) \\ \eta^{8(r_1+r_2+r_3)-4} K \frac{a_3+1}{6} {}_3F_2\left(\frac{a_3+1}{6}, \frac{a_3+3}{6}, \frac{a_3+5}{6}; r_3-r_1+1, r_3-r_2+1; K\right) \end{pmatrix}$

with  $a_1 = 4r_1 - 2r_2 - 2r_3$ ,  $a_2 = 4r_2 - 2r_1 - 2r_3$ ,  $a_3 = 4r_3 - 2r_1 - 2r_2$

Where

- $r_i$  come from  $\rho(T) = \text{diag}(e^{2\pi i r_1}, \dots, e^{2\pi i r_d})$
- $K$  is the inverse of the famous  $j$ -invariant:  $K(\tau) = 1/j(\tau)$

$$j(\tau) = q^{-1} + 744 + 196884q + 21493760q^2 + \dots \quad \text{with } q = e^{2\pi i \tau}$$

- ${}_nF_{n-1}$  is the generalized hypergeometric series

$${}_nF_{n-1}(a_1, \dots, a_n; b_1, \dots, b_{n-1}; z) = \sum_{m \geq 0} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^n a_j (a_j + 1) \dots (a_j + m - 1)}{\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} b_k (b_k + 1) \dots (b_k + m - 1)} \frac{z^m}{m!}$$

- The minimal weight  $k_0$  can be read out from the power of  $\eta(\tau)$



In summary, the module structure of  $\mathcal{M}(\rho)$  for  $\dim \rho \leq 3$ :

$$\dim \rho = 1 : \mathcal{M}(\rho) = \mathbb{C}[E_4, E_6]F$$

$$\dim \rho = 2 : \mathcal{M}(\rho) = \mathbb{C}[E_4, E_6]F \oplus \mathbb{C}[E_4, E_6]D_{k_0}F$$

$$\dim \rho = 3 : \mathcal{M}(\rho) = \mathbb{C}[E_4, E_6]F \oplus \mathbb{C}[E_4, E_6]D_{k_0}F \oplus \mathbb{C}[E_4, E_6]D_{k_0}^3F$$



We give an example based on a  $A_4 \times Z_2$  instead of  $\Gamma_N^{(\prime)}$ :

- $A_4 \times Z_2 = \langle S, T \mid S^2 = (ST)^3 = (ST^{-1}ST)^2 = 1 \rangle$
- Irreps:  $\mathbf{1}_0, \mathbf{1}'_0, \mathbf{1}''_0, \mathbf{1}_1, \mathbf{1}'_1, \mathbf{1}''_1, \mathbf{3}_0, \mathbf{3}_1$
- Irreps matrices ( $\omega = e^{2\pi i/3}$ ):

$$\mathbf{1}_i : \rho(S) = (-1)^i, \quad \rho(T) = (-1)^i$$

$$\mathbf{1}'_i : \rho(S) = (-1)^i, \quad \rho(T) = (-1)^i \omega$$

$$\mathbf{1}''_i : \rho(S) = (-1)^i, \quad \rho(T) = (-1)^i \omega^2$$

$$\mathbf{3}_i : \rho(S) = \frac{(-1)^i}{3} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \rho(T) = (-1)^i \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \omega & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \omega^2 \end{pmatrix}$$



- There are two VVMFs in the irreps  $\mathbf{1}_1''$  and  $\mathbf{3}_0$  at weight 2

$$Y_{\mathbf{1}_1''}^{(2)}(\tau) = \eta^4(\tau)$$

$$Y_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)}(\tau) = \begin{pmatrix} \eta^4(\tau) \left(\frac{K(\tau)}{1728}\right)^{-\frac{1}{6}} {}_3F_2\left(-\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}; K(\tau)\right) \\ -6\eta^4(\tau) \left(\frac{K(\tau)}{1728}\right)^{\frac{1}{6}} {}_3F_2\left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{6}; \frac{4}{3}, \frac{2}{3}; K(\tau)\right) \\ -18\eta^4(\tau) \left(\frac{K(\tau)}{1728}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} {}_3F_2\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{7}{6}; \frac{5}{3}, \frac{4}{3}; K(\tau)\right) \end{pmatrix}$$

Their  $q$ -expansions ( $q = e^{2\pi i\tau}$ )

$$Y_{\mathbf{1}_1''}^{(2)}(\tau) = q^{1/6}(1 - 4q + 2q^2 + 8q^3 - 5q^4 - 4q^5 - 10q^6 + \dots)$$

$$Y_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)}(\tau) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + 12q + 36q^2 + 12q^3 + 84q^4 + 72q^5 + 36q^6 + \dots \\ -6q^{1/3}(1 + 7q + 8q^2 + 18q^3 + 14q^4 + 31q^5 + 20q^6 + \dots) \\ -18q^{2/3}(1 + 2q + 5q^2 + 4q^3 + 8q^4 + 6q^5 + 14q^6 + \dots) \end{pmatrix}$$





Higher weight VVMFs can be constructed by tensor product

$$Y_{\mathbf{1}_0}^{(4)} = (Y_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)} Y_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)})_{\mathbf{1}_0} = (Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,1}}^{(2)})^2 + 2Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,2}}^{(2)} Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,3}}^{(2)}$$

$$Y_{\mathbf{1}'_0}^{(4)} = (Y_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)} Y_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)})_{\mathbf{1}'_0} = (Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,3}}^{(2)})^2 + 2Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,1}}^{(2)} Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,2}}^{(2)}$$

$$Y_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(4)} = \frac{1}{2} (Y_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)} Y_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)})_{\mathbf{3}_0} = \begin{pmatrix} (Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,1}}^{(2)})^2 - Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,2}}^{(2)} Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,3}}^{(2)} \\ (Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,3}}^{(2)})^2 - Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,1}}^{(2)} Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,2}}^{(2)} \\ (Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,2}}^{(2)})^2 - Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,1}}^{(2)} Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,3}}^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Y_{\mathbf{3}_1}^{(4)} = Y_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)} Y_{\mathbf{1}''_1}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,2}}^{(2)} Y_{\mathbf{1}''_1}^{(2)} \\ Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,3}}^{(2)} Y_{\mathbf{1}''_1}^{(2)} \\ Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,1}}^{(2)} Y_{\mathbf{1}''_1}^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}$$

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- **New method of constructing all VVMFs:**

The minimal weight VVMFs in each  $\rho \in \mathbf{Rep}(A_4 \times Z_2)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{1}_1}^{(6)}(\tau) &= \eta^{12}(\tau), \quad \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{1}'_0}^{(4)}(\tau) = \eta^8(\tau), \quad \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{1}'_1}^{(10)}(\tau) = \eta^{20}(\tau), \\ \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{1}''_0}^{(8)}(\tau) &= \eta^{16}(\tau), \quad \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{1}''_1}^{(2)}(\tau) = \eta^4(\tau), \\ \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)}(\tau) &= \begin{pmatrix} \eta^4(\tau) \left(\frac{K(\tau)}{1728}\right)^{-\frac{1}{6}} {}_3F_2\left(-\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}; K(\tau)\right) \\ -6\eta^4(\tau) \left(\frac{K(\tau)}{1728}\right)^{\frac{1}{6}} {}_3F_2\left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{6}; \frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3}; K(\tau)\right) \\ -18\eta^4(\tau) \left(\frac{K(\tau)}{1728}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} {}_3F_2\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{7}{6}; \frac{5}{3}, \frac{4}{3}; K(\tau)\right) \end{pmatrix}, \\ \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{3}_1}^{(4)}(\tau) &= \begin{pmatrix} -6\eta^8(\tau) \left(\frac{K(\tau)}{1728}\right)^{\frac{1}{6}} {}_3F_2\left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{6}; \frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{3}; K(\tau)\right) \\ -18\eta^8(\tau) \left(\frac{K(\tau)}{1728}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} {}_3F_2\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{7}{6}; \frac{5}{3}, \frac{4}{3}; K(\tau)\right) \\ \eta^8(\tau) \left(\frac{K(\tau)}{1728}\right)^{-\frac{1}{6}} {}_3F_2\left(-\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{2}; \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}; K(\tau)\right) \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$



- Higher weight VVMFs can be obtained from module structure (Acting differential operator  $D_k^n$  and multiplying the polynomial of  $E_4, E_6$ )

$$k = 2 : \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)}, \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{1}'_1}^{(2)},$$

$$k = 4 : E_4, \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{1}'_0}^{(4)}, D_2 \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)}, \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{3}_1}^{(4)},$$

$$k = 6 : E_6, \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{1}_1}^{(6)}, E_4 \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{1}'_1}^{(2)}, D_2^2 \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)}, E_4 \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)}, D_4 \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{3}_1}^{(4)},$$

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These two methods are equivalent !

$$Y_{\mathbf{1}'_0}^{(4)} = E_4, \quad Y_{\mathbf{1}'_0}^{(4)} = -12\widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{1}'_0}^{(4)}, \quad Y_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(4)} = -6D_2 \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)}, \quad Y_{\mathbf{3}_1}^{(4)} = \widetilde{Y}_{\mathbf{3}_1}^{(4)}$$



- Lepton mass model (neutrinos mass originate from the Type-I seesaw)
- Matter fields content:  $\varphi_I = \{E_{1,2,3}^c, L_{1,2,3}, N_{1,2,3}, H_u, H_d\}$ .
- The assignments of weight  $k_I$  and irreps  $\rho_I$  of matter fields:

Fields	$E_{1,2,3}^c$	$L_{1,2,3}$	$N_{1,2,3}^c$	$H_{u,d}$	$Y_{\mathbf{r}}^{(k_Y)}(\tau)$
$SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$	(1, 1)	(2, -1/2)	(1, 0)	(2, $\pm 1/2$ )	(1, 0)
$A_4 \times Z_2$	$\mathbf{1}_0'' \oplus \mathbf{1}_0' \oplus \mathbf{1}_1''$	$\mathbf{3}_0$	$\mathbf{3}_1$	$\mathbf{1}_0$	$\mathbf{r}$
$-k_I$	-1, 1, 1	3	1	0	$k_Y$

- Modular invariant superpotential

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{W}_e &= \alpha \left( Y_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)} E_1^c L \right)_{\mathbf{1}_0} H_d + \beta \left( Y_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(4)} E_2^c L \right)_{\mathbf{1}_0} H_d + \gamma \left( Y_{\mathbf{3}_1}^{(4)} E_3^c L \right)_{\mathbf{1}_0} H_d \\
 \mathcal{W}_\nu &= g_1 \left( Y_{\mathbf{3}_1}^{(4)} (N^c L)_{\mathbf{3}_{1,S}} \right)_{\mathbf{1}_0} H_u + g_2 \left( Y_{\mathbf{3}_1}^{(4)} (N^c L)_{\mathbf{3}_{1,A}} \right)_{\mathbf{1}_0} H_u \\
 &\quad + \Lambda \left( Y_{\mathbf{3}_0}^{(2)} (N^c N^c)_{\mathbf{3}_{0,S}} \right)_{\mathbf{1}_0}
 \end{aligned}$$



- Charged lepton and neutrino mass matrices:

$$M_e = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,2}}^{(2)} & \alpha Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,1}}^{(2)} & \alpha Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,3}}^{(2)} \\ \beta Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,3}}^{(4)} & \beta Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,2}}^{(4)} & \beta Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,1}}^{(4)} \\ \gamma Y_{\mathbf{3}_{1,2}}^{(4)} & \gamma Y_{\mathbf{3}_{1,1}}^{(4)} & \gamma Y_{\mathbf{3}_{1,3}}^{(4)} \end{pmatrix} v_d$$

$$M_D = \begin{pmatrix} 2g_1 Y_{\mathbf{3}_{1,1}}^{(4)} & (-g_1 + g_2) Y_{\mathbf{3}_{1,3}}^{(4)} & -(g_1 + g_2) Y_{\mathbf{3}_{1,2}}^{(4)} \\ -(g_1 + g_2) Y_{\mathbf{3}_{1,3}}^{(4)} & 2g_1 Y_{\mathbf{3}_{1,2}}^{(4)} & (-g_1 + g_2) Y_{\mathbf{3}_{1,1}}^{(4)} \\ (-g_1 + g_2) Y_{\mathbf{3}_{1,2}}^{(4)} & -(g_1 + g_2) Y_{\mathbf{3}_{1,1}}^{(4)} & 2g_1 Y_{\mathbf{3}_{1,3}}^{(4)} \end{pmatrix} v_u$$

$$M_N = \Lambda \begin{pmatrix} 2Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,1}}^{(2)} & -Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,3}}^{(2)} & -Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,2}}^{(2)} \\ -Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,3}}^{(2)} & 2Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,2}}^{(2)} & -Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,1}}^{(2)} \\ -Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,2}}^{(2)} & -Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,1}}^{(2)} & 2Y_{\mathbf{3}_{0,3}}^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}$$

Light neutrino mass matrix:  $M_\nu = -M_D^T M_N^{-1} M_D$

- The numerical best-fit values of input parameters:

$$\begin{aligned} \tau &= 0.103786 + 1.34097i, & \beta/\alpha &= 2321.27, & \gamma/\alpha &= 798.326, \\ g_2/g_1 &= 13.8646 - 4.23100i, & \alpha v_d &= 0.536619 \text{ MeV}, \\ g_1^2 v_u^2/\Lambda &= 5.84234 \text{ meV}. \end{aligned}$$

- The lepton masses and flavor mixing parameters are predicted

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^2 \theta_{12} &= 0.315878, & \sin^2 \theta_{13} &= 0.021913, & \sin^2 \theta_{23} &= 0.531526, \\ \delta_{CP} &= 1.13711\pi, & \alpha_{21} &= 1.03704\pi, & \alpha_{31} &= 1.15945\pi, \\ m_e/m_\mu &= 0.00480007, & m_\mu/m_\tau &= 0.0566796, \\ m_1 &= 6.47366 \text{ meV}, & m_2 &= 10.7754 \text{ meV}, & m_3 &= 49.9964 \text{ meV}. \end{aligned}$$

Light neutrino masses are **normal ordering**. Neutrino mass sum  $m_1 + m_2 + m_3 = 67.2454 \text{ meV}$  is well compatible with the latest upper bound  $\sum_i m_i < 120 \text{ meV}$ .



## The original $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ modular invariant theory has been extended to

- Include the odd weight modular forms, and  $\Gamma_N \mapsto \Gamma'_N$ . (Liu and Ding 2019)
- Include the rational weight modular forms, and  $\Gamma'_N \mapsto \widetilde{\Gamma}_N$ . (Liu et al. 2020)
- Combine with the CP symmetry:  $\tau \xrightarrow{CP} -\tau^*$  (Baur et al. 2019; Novichkov et al. 2019)
- Reformulate in VVMFs, and  $\Gamma_N \mapsto \Gamma/\text{Nor}$  (Liu and Ding 2022)
- Eclectic flavor symmetry: tradition flavor  $\cup$  modular flavor (Nilles, Ramos-Sánchez, and Vaudrevange 2020; Nilles, Ramos-Sanchez, and Vaudrevange 2020)

## Minimal model building: (See the talk by Ding)

- The minimal lepton models (6 real input parameters). (Ding, Liu, and Yao 2023; Ding et al. 2023)
- The minimal quark models (8 real input parameters). (Ding, Liu, and Yao 2023; Ding et al. 2023)
- The minimal lepton + quark models (14 real input parameters) (Ding et al. 2023)

## Other applications: (See the talk by Penedo)

- Applying to solve Strong CP problem. (Feruglio, Strumia, and Titov 2023; Petcov and Tanimoto 2024; Penedo and Petcov 2024)
- Modular inflation. (Ding, Jiang, and Zhao 2024) ...
- ...



What have we learned from the  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  modular invariant framework?

- From the perspective of field theory,  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  modular symmetry is a **nonlinear flavor symmetry** in nonlinear  $\sigma$ -model. (Feruglio and Romanino 2021) :
  - ◇ Scalar field(s) (or flavons)  $\tau$  span the non-trivial **moduli space  $\mathcal{M}$**
  - ◇ Flavons  $\tau$  and matter fields  $\varphi_I$  have reparameterized under **isometry group  $G$**
  - ◇ Interactions (e.g. Yukawa coupling) break  $G$  into its **discrete subgroup  $\Gamma \subset G$**
- In original  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ :  $(\mathcal{M}, G, \Gamma) = (\mathcal{H}, SL(2, \mathbb{R}), SL(2, \mathbb{Z}))$ .
- Within SUSY (or SUGRA),  $\mathcal{M}$  is in general (special) **Kähler manifold**.  
e.g.

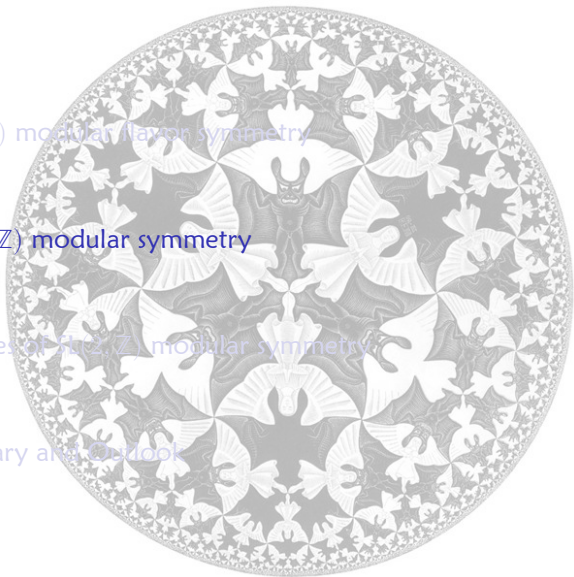
Hermitian symmetric space  $\mathcal{M} = G/K$

$$\frac{U(m, n)}{U(m) \times U(n)}, \quad \frac{SO^*(2m)}{U(m)}, \quad \frac{Sp(2m)}{U(m)}, \quad \frac{SO(m, 2)}{SO(m) \times SO(2)}$$

$$\frac{E_{6(-14)}}{SO(10) \times SO(2)}, \quad \frac{E_{7(-25)}}{E_6 \times U(1)}$$



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- The natural generalization of  $\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$  modular invariance is  $\mathrm{Sp}(2g, \mathbb{Z})$  **Symplectic modular invariance**.

- $\mathrm{Sp}(2g, \mathbb{Z})$  often arises from string compactification (Baur et al. 2020) (See the talk by Ramos-Sanchez & Nasu)

- (non-compact) Moduli space: Siegel upper half plane

$$\mathcal{H}_g = \{\tau \in GL(g, \mathbb{C}) \mid \tau^T = \tau, \mathrm{Im}(\tau) > 0\} \cong \mathrm{Sp}(2g, \mathbb{R})/U(g)$$

- (Siegel) symplectic modular group  $\mathrm{Sp}(2g, \mathbb{Z}) := \Gamma_g$ :

$$\mathrm{Sp}(2g, \mathbb{Z}) = \left\{ \gamma = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \mid \gamma^T J \gamma = J \text{ with } J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{1}_g \\ -\mathbb{1}_g & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

- Generators:

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{1}_g \\ -\mathbb{1}_g & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad T_i = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{1}_g & B_i \\ 0 & \mathbb{1}_g \end{pmatrix},$$

Remark: At genus  $g = 1$ ,  $\mathrm{Sp}(2, \mathbb{Z}) = \mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$ .



## ■ Vector-valued Siegel modular forms

$$f(\tau) \xrightarrow{\gamma} f(\gamma\tau) = \det(C\tau + D)^k \rho(\gamma) f(\tau)$$

- ◇ So far there is no systematic theory like the  $g = 1$  case.
- ◇ There are only a few results on scalar modular forms for genus  $g = 2$  for  $\Gamma_g(n)$  with level  $n = 1, 2, 3$ .

## ■ Principal congruence subgroup $\Gamma_g(n)$ :

$$\Gamma_g(n) = \left\{ \gamma \in \Gamma_g \mid \gamma \equiv \mathbb{1}_{2g} \pmod{n} \right\},$$

## ■ Finite Siegel modular group $\Gamma_{g,n} = \Gamma_g / \Gamma_g(n)$

## ■ Action of $\mathrm{Sp}(2g, \mathbb{Z})$ on $\tau$ and $\varphi_I$ :

$$\begin{cases} \tau \rightarrow \gamma\tau = (A\tau + B)(C\tau + D)^{-1} \\ \varphi_I \rightarrow \det(C\tau + D)^{-k_I} \rho_I(\gamma) \varphi_I \end{cases}$$

Yukawa couplings are (vector-valued) Siegel modular forms.

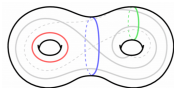
- At  $g = 2$ ,  $\mathrm{Sp}(4, \mathbb{Z})$  has four generators

$$T_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{1}_2 & B_1 \\ 0 & \mathbb{1}_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad T_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{1}_2 & B_2 \\ 0 & \mathbb{1}_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad T_3 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{1}_2 & B_3 \\ 0 & \mathbb{1}_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{1}_2 \\ -\mathbb{1}_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\text{with } B_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Moduli** (three components  $\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3$ ):

$$\mathcal{H}_2 = \left\{ \tau = \begin{pmatrix} \tau_1 & \tau_3 \\ \tau_3 & \tau_2 \end{pmatrix} \middle| \det(\mathrm{Im}(\tau)) > 0, \quad \mathrm{tr}(\mathrm{Im}(\tau)) > 0 \right\}$$



- $\tau_3 = 0$ :  $\mathcal{H}_2 \simeq 2$  factorized tori;
- $\tau_3 \neq 0$ :  $\mathcal{H}_2 \simeq$  generic Riemann surface of genus 2;

- The simplest non-Abelian finite modular group is  $\Gamma_{2,2} \cong S_6$ , which has **no 3-d irreps to accommodate 3 families of fermions!**

Irreps: [1, 2], [5, 4], [9, 2], [10, 2], [16, 1]



- There are five Siegel modular forms at  $k = 2, n = 2$ : (Cacciatori and Dalla Piazza 2008)

$$\begin{aligned}p_0 &= \Theta[00]^4(\tau) + \Theta[01]^4(\tau) + \Theta[10]^4(\tau) + \Theta[11]^4(\tau), \\p_1 &= 2(\Theta[00]^2(\tau)\Theta[01]^2(\tau) + \Theta[10]^2(\tau)\Theta[11]^2(\tau)), \\p_2 &= 2(\Theta[00]^2(\tau)\Theta[10]^2(\tau) + \Theta[01]^2(\tau)\Theta[11]^2(\tau)), \\p_3 &= 2(\Theta[00]^2(\tau)\Theta[11]^2(\tau) + \Theta[01]^2(\tau)\Theta[10]^2(\tau)), \\p_4 &= 4\Theta[00](\tau)\Theta[01](\tau)\Theta[10](\tau)\Theta[11](\tau).\end{aligned}$$

They form a quintet  $Y_5 = (Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4, Y_5)^T$  of  $S_6 \cong \Gamma_{2,2}$ : (Ding, Feruglio, and Liu 2021a)

$$\begin{aligned}Y_1(\tau) &= p_0(\tau) + 3p_1(\tau), \\Y_2(\tau) &= \sqrt{3}[p_0(\tau) - p_1(\tau)], \\Y_3(\tau) &= \sqrt{3}[p_2(\tau) + p_3(\tau) - 2p_4(\tau)], \\Y_4(\tau) &= 3p_2(\tau) - p_3(\tau) + 2p_4(\tau), \\Y_5(\tau) &= 2\sqrt{2}[p_3(\tau) + p_4(\tau)].\end{aligned}$$



- Restrict to (invariant) subspace  $\Sigma$  of  $\mathcal{H}_2$  :

$$H\tau = \tau, \quad \forall \tau \in \Sigma$$

Symmetry  $\mathbf{Sp}(4, \mathbb{Z}) \mapsto N(H)$  (finite modular group  $\Gamma_{2,n} \mapsto N_n(H)$ )

◇ Two dimensional: 
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Sigma_1 : \begin{pmatrix} \tau_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \tau_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Gamma_{2,2} \mapsto (S_3 \times S_3) \rtimes Z_2 \\ \Sigma_2 : \begin{pmatrix} \tau_1 & \tau_3 \\ \tau_3 & \tau_1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Gamma_{2,2} \mapsto S_4 \times Z_2 \end{array} \right.$$

- ◇ One dimensional:

$$\begin{pmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & \tau_2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \omega & 0 \\ 0 & \tau_2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \tau_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \tau_1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \tau_1 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & \tau_1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \tau_1 & \tau_1/2 \\ \tau_1/2 & \tau_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(See the talk by Ramos-Sanchez)

- We focus on the subspace  $\Sigma_2$ , i.e., we impose  $\tau_1 = \tau_2$ . The modular form quintet  $Y_5$  collapse to singlet and triplet of the  $N_2(H) \cong S_4 \times Z_2$ :

$$\mathbf{3}' : Y_{\mathbf{3}' }(\tau) = \begin{pmatrix} p_0(\tau) + 4p_1(\tau) - p_3(\tau) \\ p_0(\tau) - 2p_1(\tau) - p_3(\tau) - 2i\sqrt{3}p_4(\tau) \\ p_0(\tau) - 2p_1(\tau) - p_3(\tau) + 2i\sqrt{3}p_4(\tau) \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} Y_1(\tau) \\ Y_2(\tau) \\ Y_3(\tau) \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathbf{1} : Y_{\mathbf{1}}(\tau) = p_0(\tau) + 3p_3(\tau) \equiv Y_4(\tau).$$



- Lepton mass model (neutrinos mass originate from the Type-I seesaw)
- Matter fields content:  $\varphi_I = \{E_{1,2,3}^c, L_{1,2,3}, N_{1,2,3}, H_u, H_d\}$ .
- The assignments of weight  $k_I$  and irreps  $\rho_I$  of matter fields:

Fields	$E_{1,2,3}^c$	$L_{1,2,3}$	$N_{1,2,3}^c$	$H_{u,d}$	$Y_{\mathbf{r}}^{(k_Y)}(\tau)$
$SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$	(1, 1)	(2, -1/2)	(1, 0)	(2, $\pm 1/2$ )	(1, 0)
$S_4 \times Z_2$	$\mathbf{3}'$	$\mathbf{3}'$	$\mathbf{3}'$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{r}$
$-k_I$	0	-2	0	0	$k_Y$

- Modular invariant superpotential

$$\mathcal{W}_e = \alpha (Y_{\mathbf{3}'} E^c L)_{\mathbf{1}} H_d + \beta (Y_{\mathbf{1}} E^c L)_{\mathbf{1}} H_d,$$

$$\mathcal{W}_\nu = g_1 (Y_{\mathbf{3}'} N^c L)_{\mathbf{1}} H_u + g_2 (Y_{\mathbf{1}} N^c L)_{\mathbf{1}} H_u + \Lambda (N^c N^c)_{\mathbf{1}}.$$



- The charged lepton and neutrino mass matrices:

$$M_e = \begin{pmatrix} 2\alpha Y_1 + \beta Y_4 & -\alpha Y_3 & -\alpha Y_2 \\ -\alpha Y_3 & 2\alpha Y_2 & -\alpha Y_1 + \beta Y_4 \\ -\alpha Y_2 & -\alpha Y_1 + \beta Y_4 & 2\alpha Y_3 \end{pmatrix} v_d,$$

$$M_D = \begin{pmatrix} 2g_1 Y_1 + g_2 Y_4 & -g_1 Y_3 & -g_1 Y_2 \\ -g_1 Y_3 & 2g_1 Y_2 & -g_1 Y_1 + g_2 Y_4 \\ -g_1 Y_2 & -g_1 Y_1 + g_2 Y_4 & 2g_1 Y_3 \end{pmatrix} v_u,$$

$$M_N = \Lambda \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The light neutrino mass matrix is  $M_\nu = -M_D^T M_N^{-1} M_D$ .

- The best fit values of the input parameters:

$$\tau_1 = 0.04017 + 0.89185i, \quad \tau_3 = 0.49053 + 0.00792i, \quad \beta/\alpha = 2.10415 - 0.14380i, \\ g_2/g_1 = -0.96942 - 3.32507i, \quad \alpha v_d = 136.26910 \text{ MeV}, \quad g_1^2 v_u^2 / \Lambda = 2.71970 \text{ meV},$$





- The lepton mixing parameters and neutrino masses are predicted to be

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^2 \theta_{12} &= 0.3068, & \sin^2 \theta_{13} &= 0.02219, & \sin^2 \theta_{23} &= 0.5753, & \delta_{CP} &= 1.09\pi, \\ \alpha_{21} &= 0.05\pi, & \alpha_{31} &= 0.03\pi, & m_e/m_\mu &= 0.00476, & m_\mu/m_\tau &= 0.06071, \\ m_1 &= 120.75 \text{ meV}, & m_2 &= 121.06 \text{ meV}, & m_3 &= 130.69 \text{ meV}, \end{aligned}$$

## Remarks:

- The best-fit value of  $\tau$  close to the 1-d fixed locus:

$$\tau_{fit} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.04017 + 0.89185i & 0.49053 + 0.00792i \\ 0.49053 + 0.00792i & 0.04017 + 0.89185i \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} \tau_1 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & \tau_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

where a  $Z_2 \times Z_2$  subgroup is preserved, and  $M_e, M_\nu$  become  $\mu - \tau$  symmetric.

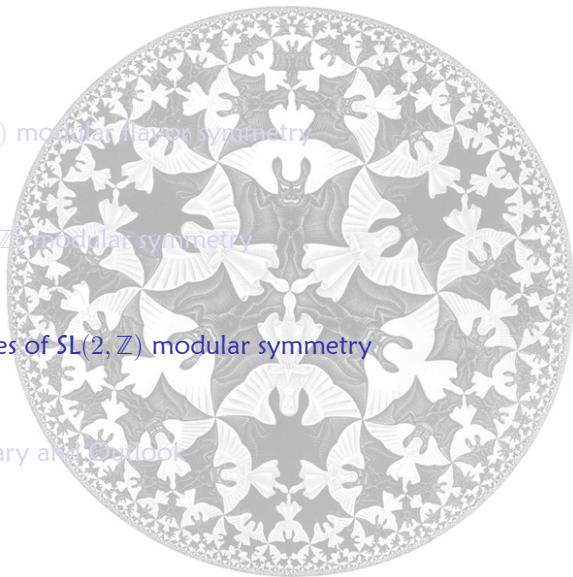
- All the dimensionless parameters of the model are of  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ .
- The mass hierarchy of charged lepton is achieved with Lagrangian parameters  $\alpha, \beta$  of the same order.



Relevant bottom-up work on symplectic modular flavor symmetry is still scarce, However:

- The gCP symmetry consistent with  $\mathrm{Sp}(2g, \mathbb{Z})$  is studied. (Ding, Feruglio, and Liu 2021b)
- New model construction based on  $g = 2, n = 2$ . (RickyDevil:2024ijc)
- Systematic study of near-critical behavior in  $\mathrm{Sp}(4, \mathbb{Z})$ . (Ding, Feruglio, and Liu 2024)
- Moduli stabilization with symplectic modular symmetry  $\mathrm{Sp}(4, \mathbb{Z})$ . (Working in progress)
- The new example based on  $g = 2, n = 3$  is being worked (where  $\Gamma_{2,3}$  double covering of Burkhardt group and  $|\Gamma_{2,3}| = 51840$ ). (in collaboration with Michael, Hans Peter and Saul...)

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- In the original single-modulus framework  
( $\mathcal{M}, G$ ) = ( $\mathcal{H} \cong SL(2, \mathbb{R})/SO(2)$ ,  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ )
- The choice of discrete flavor groups  $\Gamma \subset SL(2, \mathbb{R})$  is still quite rich:  
e.g. **Arithmetic subgroups** or **Fuchsian groups of the first kind**.

## Some choices of discrete flavor groups $\Gamma$

- $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  and all its possible subgroups, e.g.  $\Gamma(N), \Gamma_0(N), \Gamma_1(N) \dots$
- Triangle modular groups  $\Gamma(l, m, n)$
- ...

We refer to these discrete groups as “siblings” of  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ .

**Interestingly, there are also exist non-trivial vector-valued modular forms for those infinite discrete groups** (Gannon 2014)



- The classification and structures of the subgroups of  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  are still unclear.
- But we know the normal subgroups  $N$  of  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  in some sense.
- Starting from  $N$ , we can construct subgroups  $K$  that include  $N$  as its normal subgroups:  $N \triangleleft K \subset SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$

## The correspondence theorem

If  $N$  is a normal subgroup of a group  $\Gamma$ , then there exists a **bijection** from the set of all subgroups of  $\Gamma$  containing  $N$ , onto the set of all subgroups of the quotient group  $\Gamma/N$ .

$$\{\text{subgroups of } \Gamma \text{ containing } N\} \xleftrightarrow{1:1} \{\text{subgroups of } \Gamma/N\}.$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 \Gamma & \text{---} & K & \text{---} & \dots & \text{---} & H & \text{---} & N \\
 \downarrow \pi & & \downarrow \pi & & \downarrow \pi & & \downarrow \pi & & \downarrow \pi \\
 \Gamma/N & \text{---} & K/N & \text{---} & \dots & \text{---} & H/N & \text{---} & \{N\}
 \end{array}$$

where  $K \subset \Gamma$ ,  $K/N \subset \Gamma/N, \dots$



- Coset decomposition of  $\Gamma$  in terms of its normal  $N$ :

$$\Gamma = eN \cup \gamma_1 N \cup \gamma_2 N \cup \dots \cup \gamma_n N = \left\{ \bigcup_i \gamma_i N \mid \gamma_i \in \Gamma/N \right\} \equiv (\Gamma/N) * N,$$

The subgroup  $K$  in  $\Gamma$  can be constructed:

$$K = eN \cup \gamma_1 N \cup \gamma_2 N \cup \dots \cup \gamma_m N = \left\{ \bigcup_i \gamma_i N \mid \gamma_i \in K/N \right\} \equiv (K/N) * N,$$

- The modular transformation can be generalized to

$$\begin{cases} \tau \rightarrow \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}, \\ \varphi \rightarrow (c\tau + d)^{-k_\varphi} \rho(\gamma) \varphi, \end{cases} \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} \gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in K, \\ \rho \in \mathbf{Rep}(K/N) \end{cases}$$

- The original scalar modular forms on  $N$  form multiplets of  $K/N$  under  $K$ ; In other words, the multiplets of  $\Gamma/N$  decompose into multiplets of the subgroup  $K/N$ , following the branching rule.



1.  $(K, N, \rho) = (A_4 * (\pm\Gamma(4)), \pm\Gamma(4), \rho \in \mathbf{Rep}(A_4))$  :

$$S_4 \cong \Gamma / \pm\Gamma(4) = \langle S, T \mid S^2 = (ST)^3 = T^4 = 1 \rangle$$

$$S_4 \supset A_4 = \langle s = T^2, t = ST \mid s^2 = (st)^3 = t^3 = 1 \rangle$$

The modular subgroup  $K = \text{Mult}(\langle T^2, ST \rangle, \pm\Gamma(4)) \equiv A_4 * (\pm\Gamma(4))$ .  
 Modular form multiplets decomposition:

$$Y_{S_4 \mathbf{2}}^{(2)} \rightarrow Y_{A_4 \mathbf{1}''}^{(2)} \oplus Y_{A_4 \mathbf{1}'}^{(2)}, \quad Y_{S_4 \mathbf{3}}^{(2)} \rightarrow Y_{A_4 \mathbf{3}}^{(2)}.$$

2.  $(K, N, \rho) = (\Gamma(2), \Gamma(6), \rho \in \mathbf{Rep}(T'))$  : (Li, Liu, and Ding 2021)

$$S_3 \times T' \cong \Gamma / \Gamma(6) = \langle S, T \mid S^4 = (ST)^3 = T^6 = ST^2 ST^3 ST^4 ST^3 = 1, S^2 T = T S^2 \rangle$$

$$S_3 \times T' \supset T' = \langle \tilde{a} = T S T^4 S^3 T, \tilde{b} = T^4 \mid \tilde{a}^4 = \tilde{b}^3 = (\tilde{a}\tilde{b})^3 = 1, \tilde{a}^2 \tilde{b} = \tilde{b} \tilde{a}^2 \rangle$$

The modular subgroup  $K = \text{Mult}(\langle T S T^4 S^3 T, T^4 \rangle, \Gamma(6)) = \Gamma(2)$ .  
 Modular form multiplets decomposition:

$$Y_{\Gamma_6 \mathbf{29}}^{(1)} \rightarrow Y_{T' \mathbf{2}''}^{(1)}, \quad Y_{\Gamma_6 \mathbf{4}}^{(2)} \rightarrow Y_{T' \mathbf{2}' I}^{(2)} \oplus Y_{T' \mathbf{2}' II}^{(2)}.$$

Finally we introduce another set of siblings of modular group  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ :

Triangle group  $\Delta(l, m, n)$  (Working in progress...)

which are the symmetry groups of tilings of the Euclidean plane, the sphere, or the hyperbolic plane by congruent triangles.

- The Euclidean case  $\frac{1}{l} + \frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{n} = 1$ : Only three cases and  $\Delta(l, m, n)$  are infinite groups
- The spherical case  $\frac{1}{l} + \frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{n} > 1$ : Infinitely many cases and  $\Delta(l, m, n)$  are finite groups (of regular polyhedra)
- The hyperbolic case  $\frac{1}{l} + \frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{n} < 1$ : Infinitely many cases and  $\Delta(l, m, n)$  are infinite groups.

Examples of the tilings(in Poincaré disk):







- We call the triangle group in hyperbolic case **triangle modular groups** denoted as  $\Gamma(m_1, m_2, m_3)$ .
- **$\Gamma(m_1, m_2, m_3)$**  has only two generators  $g_1$  and  $g_2$ , and

$$\Gamma(m_1, m_2, m_3) = \langle g_1, g_2 \mid g_1^{m_1} = g_2^{m_2} = (g_1 g_2)^{m_3} \rangle.$$

Examples:

$$\Gamma(2, 3, \infty) = \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{Z}), \quad \Gamma(2, \infty, \infty) = \Gamma_0(2),$$

$$\Gamma(\infty, \infty, \infty) = \Gamma(2) \cong \Gamma_0(4), \dots$$

- **Hecke group  $\Gamma(2, m, \infty) \equiv H(m)$**  :

$$\Gamma(2, m, \infty) = \left\langle S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \cos(\frac{\pi}{m}) \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid S^2 = (ST)^m = 1 \right\rangle.$$

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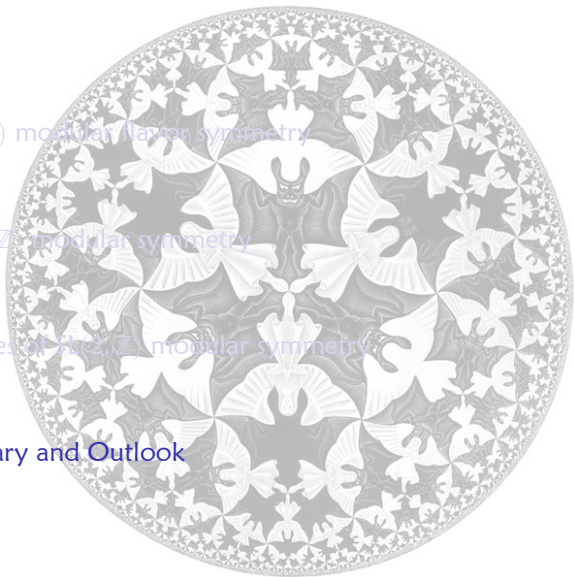


- Triangle modular group also act on  $\mathcal{H}$  through Möbius transformation:

$$\tau \xrightarrow{\gamma} \gamma\tau = \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d} \quad \gamma \in \Gamma(l, m, n)$$

- Triangle modular groups are in fact genus-0 Fuchsian groups of the first kind.
- Triangle modular groups have unitary finite dimensional irreps (finite groups).
- Triangle modular groups possesses vector-valued modular form!
- Unfortunately, there is no systematic theory of VVMFs on  $\Gamma(l, m, n)$ .
- A lot of work is being done ...

- 1  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  modular flavor symmetry
- 2  $Sp(2g, \mathbb{Z})$  modular symmetry
- 3 Varieties of  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  modular symmetry
- 4 Summary and Outlook





- The original  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  framework has been extended to the most general case, encompassing not only  $\Gamma_N^{(\prime)}$ . (Liu and Ding 2022)
- The  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  framework is already clear in the bottom-up approach, because the theory of vector-valued modular forms of  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  is well established.
- In the bottom-up approach, lack of more constraints, the freedom of modular theory construction is quite large:  $(\mathcal{M}, G, \Gamma)$ .
- We review modular symmetries beyond  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ , including  $Sp(2g, \mathbb{Z})$  symplectic modular symmetry and  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ 's siblings.
- In the  $Sp(2g, \mathbb{Z})$  symplectic modular framework, there are few concrete examples and phenomenological applications until now.
- The work on the varieties of  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  is still ongoing (in collaboration with Mu-Chun, Michael, Xueqi and Saul...)
- There are still considerable potential theories beyond  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  that have not been concretely constructed.












- ? For the model building, perhaps these frameworks beyond  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  can provide more useful non-trivial applications.
- ? The mathematical tools needed to construct these theories are scarce, especially the corresponding modular form theory.
- ? The interesting thing is how to derive these constructs from a top-down approach. (See the talk by Kaito Nasu)
- ? Find more principles to limit the possible choices for  $(\mathcal{M}, G, \Gamma)$ , the **swampland conjecture**?
- ? Find a specific relationship between the  $q$ -expansion coefficients of Yukawa couplings and the flavor observables: **"Flavor moonshine"**? (Some hints were hidden in Omar and Xue-Qi's talk)









# Thank you for your attention!

There is still soooooooooooooooooooooo muchhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh work to be done in the future. Let's push together! (2024~?)











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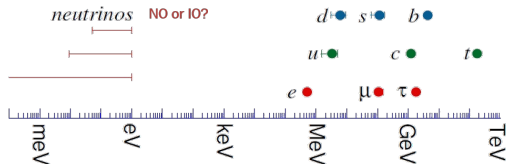
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# Backup

- What is the origin of the mass hierarchies of leptons & quarks ?



- How to understand the flavor mixing patterns of leptons & quarks ?

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{PMNS} \\
 |U| = \begin{array}{c} e \\ \mu \\ \tau \end{array} \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \begin{bmatrix} \text{yellow} & \text{green} & \text{black} \\ \text{green} & \text{yellow} & \text{blue} \\ \text{black} & \text{blue} & \text{yellow} \end{bmatrix}
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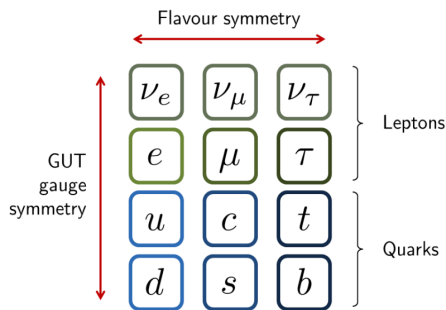
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 \text{CKM} \\
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 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

## Remarks:

- In SM, the fermion masses and flavor mixing are determined by Yukawa coupling constants which are completely unconstrained
- No guiding principles
- Symmetries?



**Flavor symmetry**: Horizontal symmetry linking different families of fermions.



e.g.:

- Froggatt-Nielsen models:  $G_f = \mathbf{U}(1)_{\text{FN}}$ .
- Non-Abelian discrete flavor symmetry:  $G_f = A_4, S_4, A_5, \dots$

New game in town: **Modular flavor symmetries**

◇ **Flavor transformation**:

$$\varphi \xrightarrow{g} \rho(g)\varphi$$

with  $g \in G_f, \rho(g) \in \mathbf{Rep}(G_f)$ .

- ◇ **Flavor group  $G_f$**  can be Abelian or non-Abelian, continuous Lie groups or discrete finite groups...



The finite image irreps of  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  can be obtained from these (infinitely many) general finite modular groups :  $\Gamma \xrightarrow{\text{natural}} \Gamma/N \xrightarrow{\tilde{\rho}} GL(V)$

- $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  has **12 one-dimensional** irreps

$$\mathbf{1}_p : \quad \rho_{\mathbf{1}_p}(S) = i^p, \quad \rho_{\mathbf{1}_p}(T) = e^{\frac{i\pi}{6}p},$$

with  $p = 0, \dots, 11$

- $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  has **54 two-dimensional** irreps with finite image, determined by  $\rho(T) = \text{diag}(e^{2\pi i r_1}, e^{2\pi i r_2})$  (Mason 2008)  
e.g.  $(r_1, r_2) = (3/4, 1/4), (5/6, 1/3), (0, 1/2) \dots$
- $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  has **> 156 three-dimensional** irreps with finite image, also determined by  $\rho(T) = \text{diag}(e^{2\pi i r_1}, e^{2\pi i r_2}, e^{2\pi i r_3})$   
e.g.  $(r_1, r_2, r_3) = (0, 1/3, 2/3), (0, 1/4, 3/4), (1/7, 2/7, 4/7) \dots$