# Modular Flavor Symmetry in Heterotic *E*<sub>6</sub> GUT

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CP 

Phenomenology 

See Gui-Jun Ding and Arsenii Titov talk

### Outline

- 1. Why modular symmetries ?
- 2. Modular flavor symmetry in Heterotic  $E_6$  GUT
- 3. Hierarchical structure of physical Yukawa couplings
- 4. Conclusion

### Flavor puzzle

Origin of flavor and CP : important issue in the SM

$$d - \frac{V_{ud}}{Z_{Z}} w u \qquad V_{CKM} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.97401 \pm 0.00011 & 0.22650 \pm 0.00048 & 0.00361 \pm 0.00011 \\ 0.22636 \pm 0.00048 & 0.97320 \pm 0.00011 \\ 0.00854 \pm 0.00023 & 0.03978 \pm 0.00082 \\ 0.00854 \pm 0.000024 & 0.03978 \pm 0.00082 \\ 0.03978 \pm 0.00060 & 0.999172 \pm 0.000024 \\ 0.999172 \pm 0.000035 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$e^{-} - \frac{V_{u}}{Z_{Z}} w v_{e}, v_{\mu}, v_{\tau} |U|_{3\sigma}^{w/o SK-atm} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.801 \rightarrow 0.845 & 0.513 \rightarrow 0.579 & 0.143 \rightarrow 0.156 \\ 0.233 \rightarrow 0.507 & 0.461 \rightarrow 0.694 & 0.631 \rightarrow 0.778 \\ 0.261 \rightarrow 0.526 & 0.471 \rightarrow 0.701 & 0.611 \rightarrow 0.761 \end{pmatrix}$$
Hierarchical structure of quarks/lepton masses
$$\frac{25 \ 100 \ 1270 \ 4180 \ c \ b \ t \ [MeV]}$$

PDG ('20)

 $\rightarrow$  Non-trivial structure of Yukawa couplings

### "Traditional" flavor symmetry

• Field transformations:

$$\phi_i \xrightarrow{g} \rho_i(g) \phi_i \qquad g \in G_{\text{flavor}}$$

 Non-Abelian discrete symmetries well explain the flavor structure in the lepton sector

E.g.,  $\Gamma_3 \simeq A_4$ : Tetrahedral sym.

- Flavor symmetries should be broken.
  - $\rightarrow$  Many free parameters in symmetry breaking sector

$$m_{ij}(\tau) = m_{ij}^0 + f_{ij}(\tau)$$

Vacum alignment determined by flavon fields  $\tau$ 



F. Feruglio, 1706.08749

Modular transformations:



- Non-Abelian discrete symmetries ⊂ modular symmetry
- Small parameters

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• Lattice vectors are related under  $SL(2,\mathbb{Z})$  modular transformation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} e'_y \\ e'_x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p & q \\ s & t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e_y \\ e_x \end{pmatrix}$$
Two  
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Non-abelian discrete groups :

$$\Gamma_2 \simeq S_3, \ \Gamma_3 \simeq A_4, \ \Gamma_4 \simeq S_4, \ \Gamma_5 \simeq A_5,$$

Flavor symmetries of quarks/leptons

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### Modular invariant 4D supersymmetric EFT

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Modular invariant W requires  $k_Y = \sum_i k_i$  and  $\rho_Y \bigotimes_i \rho_i \ni 1$ 

- Couplings are described by the modular function
- Flavor structure/CP violation are determined by the value of au

$$Y_i(R(\tau)) = (s\tau + t)^{k_Y} \rho_Y(\gamma)_{ij} Y_j(\tau) \qquad \tau \to R(\tau) = \frac{p\tau + q}{s\tau + t}$$

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- Modular form  $Y(\tau)$  is a holomorphic function @ Im $\tau > 0$  and Im $\tau \to \infty$ 

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \tau \to \tau + 1 \qquad Y(\tau + 1) = Y(\tau)$$
$$S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \tau \to -1/\tau \qquad Y\left(-\frac{1}{\tau}\right) = (-\tau)^{k_Y}Y(\tau)$$
$$I = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \tau \to \tau \qquad Y\left(\frac{-\tau}{-1}\right) = (-1)^{k_Y}Y(\tau) \qquad k_Y : \text{even}$$

• Finite number of modular forms depending on  $k_Y$ 

$$Y_i(R(\tau)) = (s\tau + t)^{k_Y} \rho_Y(\gamma)_{ij} Y_j(\tau) \qquad \tau \to R(\tau) = \frac{p\tau + q}{s\tau + t}$$

Ex. A<sub>4</sub> triplet of modular function with 
$$k = 2$$

 $\eta$  : Dedekind eta-function

$$\begin{split} Y_{1}(\tau) &= \frac{i}{2\pi} \left( \frac{\eta'(\tau/3)}{\eta(\tau/3)} + \frac{\eta'((\tau+1)/3)}{\eta((\tau+1)/3)} + \frac{\eta'((\tau+2)/3)}{\eta((\tau+2)/3)} - \frac{27\eta'(3\tau)}{\eta(3\tau)} \right) \\ Y_{2}(\tau) &= \frac{-i}{\pi} \left( \frac{\eta'(\tau/3)}{\eta(\tau/3)} + \omega^{2} \frac{\eta'((\tau+1)/3)}{\eta((\tau+1)/3)} + \omega \frac{\eta'((\tau+2)/3)}{\eta((\tau+2)/3)} \right), \quad \text{F. Feruglio, 1706.08749} \\ Y_{3}(\tau) &= \frac{-i}{\pi} \left( \frac{\eta'(\tau/3)}{\eta(\tau/3)} + \omega \frac{\eta'((\tau+1)/3)}{\eta((\tau+1)/3)} + \omega^{2} \frac{\eta'((\tau+2)/3)}{\eta((\tau+2)/3)} \right), \end{split}$$

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- Modulus-dependent Yukawa couplings would lead to
- (1) Mass hierarchy of charged lepton masses
- (2) Differences of neutrino masses squared and mixing angles

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### 4D SUSY $E_6$ GUT from Heterotic string on 6D Calabi-Yau

Candelas-Horowitz-Strominger-Witten ('85)

• 4D gauge symmetry :

$$E_8 \times E_8^{\text{(hidden)}} \rightarrow E_6 \times SU(3) \times E_8^{\text{(hidden)}}$$

• Matters ( $E_6$  : 27 or  $\overline{27}$ )  $\approx$  Moduli

 $27^i \approx \text{Kahler Moduli } t^i$  (2-cycle volume)  $(i = 1, 2, ..., h^{1,1})$ 

Yukawa couplings (27<sup>3</sup>)

 $W = F_{ijk} 27^{i} 27^{j} 27^{k}$  $F_{ijk} = \partial_{t^{i}} \partial_{t^{j}} \partial_{t^{k}} F \quad (F(t) : \text{prepotential})$ 



### Symplectic Modular Symmetric in CY moduli space

• Symplectic transformations :

A. Strominger ('90), P. Candelas, X. de la Ossa ('91)

Moduli:
$$t^i \rightarrow \tilde{t^i} \simeq \frac{\partial \tilde{X}^i}{\partial X^j} t^j$$
 $(X^0, X^i)$ :  
projective coordinates  
with the gauge  $X^0 = 1$   
 $(i = 1, 2, ..., h^{1,1})$ Matters: $27^i \rightarrow \tilde{27}^i \simeq \frac{\partial \tilde{X}^i}{\partial X^j} 27^j$  $(X^0, X^i)$ :  
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Yukawa couplings : tensor rep. under the modular symmetry  $(t \rightarrow \gamma t)$ 

Symplectic modular symmetry of 6D CY ⊃ Flavor symmetry

$$\mathbf{G}_{\mathrm{flavor}}^{(27)} \subset Sp(2h^{1,1}+2,\mathbb{Z})$$

Ishiguro-Kobayashi-Otsuka, 2107.00487

Yukawa couplings

### **Classical level**

Prepotential : 
$$F = \frac{\kappa_{ijk}}{6} t^i t^j t^k$$

 $\rightarrow$  Constant Yukawa coupling :  $\partial_i \partial_j \partial_k F = \kappa_{ijk}$ 

$$W = \kappa_{ijk} 27^i 27^j 27^k$$

#### Quantum level

Prepotential :  $F = \frac{\kappa_{ijk}}{6} t^i t^j t^k + O(e^{2\pi i t})$  Instanton effects  $\rightarrow$  Yukawa coupling :  $\partial_i \partial_j \partial_k F = \kappa_{jik} + O(e^{2\pi i t})$ 

Instanton effects will lead to non-trivial flavor structure

K. Ishiguro, T. Kobayashi, S. Nishimura, H.O., arXiv:2402.13563 25

### Instanton-corrected Yukawa couplings on 6D CY

$$y_{ijk} = \kappa_{ijk} + \sum_{d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n = 0}^{\infty} \frac{(d_i d_j d_k) n_{d_1, d_2, \dots, d_m}}{1 - \prod_{l=1}^m q_l^{d_l}} \prod_{l=1}^m q_l^{d_l}$$
$$q_l \equiv e^{2\pi i t_l}$$

Gromov-Witten invariants

We discuss two examples, where  $SL(2,\mathbb{Z})$  modular symmetry emerges in asymptotic regions of the CY moduli space

 $P^{1,1,1,6,9}[18]$  with two Kahler moduli (  $h^{1,1} = 2$  )

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• Yukawa couplings :

Candelas-Font-Katz-Morrison, 9403187

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$$\frac{d_1 \setminus d_2 \quad 0}{0} \quad \frac{1}{3} \quad \frac{2}{-6} \quad \frac{3}{27}$$

$$\frac{1}{1} \quad \frac{540}{540} \quad \frac{-1080}{143370} \quad \frac{2700}{-574560} \quad \frac{-17280}{5051970}$$

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| $d_1 \setminus d_2$ |     | 1         | 2        | 3          |
|---------------------|-----|-----------|----------|------------|
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$$E_4(t) = 1 + 240 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{k^3 q^k}{1 - q^k}$$

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 $P^{1,1,1,6,9}[18]$  with two Kahler moduli (  $h^{1,1}=2$  )

Moduli Kahler potential :

$$K = -\ln[i(\frac{3}{8}(t-\bar{t})^3 + \frac{1}{2}(t-\bar{t})(s-\bar{s})^2)]$$

• Matter Kahler metric :

Dixon-Kaplunovsky-Louis ('90)

$$\begin{split} K_{t\bar{t}}^{(27)} &\sim e^{-\frac{K}{3}} K_{t\bar{t}} \simeq \frac{1}{(t-\bar{t})^{5/3}} \\ K_{s\bar{s}}^{(27)} &\sim e^{-\frac{K}{3}} K_{s\bar{s}} \simeq (t-\bar{t})^{1/3} \end{split}$$

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|--|-----|----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------|-----|----|
| $d_1 \setminus d_2$  | 0   | 1        | 2           | 3           | 4           | 5        | 6   |    |
| 0  |     | 189      | 189         | 162         | 189         | 189      | 162 |    |
| 1  | 189 | 8262     | 142884      | 1492290     | 11375073    | 69962130 |     |    |
| 2  | 189 | 142884   | 13108392    | 516953097   | 12289326723 |          |     |    |
| 3  | 162 | 1492290  | 516953097   | 55962304650 |             |          |     |    |
| 4  | 189 | 11375073 | 12289326723 |             |             |          |     |    |
| 5  | 189 | 69962130 |             |             |             |          |     | 21 |
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|                     |                    |          | -           |             |             |

**Table 3:** Instanton numbers up to bidegree  $d_1 + d_2 \leq 6$ . Note that there symmetry  $n_{d_1,d_2} = n_{d_2,d_3}$ .

$$y_{ttt} = \frac{63}{80} E_4(t) - \frac{243}{80} E_4(3t) \quad (\Gamma_0(N) \text{ modular form of weight 4})$$
  

$$y_{tss} = 9 \qquad t \to \frac{pt+q}{st+t} \quad s \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$$

Note that  $E_4(nt)$  is a  $\Gamma_0(N)$  modular form if n|N

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Dixon-Kaplunovsky—Louis ('90)

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### Non-trivial structure of 4D Yukawa couplings

- Mechanisms
  - 1. Charge assignments of quarks/leptons under continuous or discrete flavor symmetries U(1) : Froggatt-Nielsen ('79),...
  - 2. Localization of matter wavefunctions in extra-dimensional spaces

Arkani-Hamed and Schmaltz ('99), Kaplan-Tait ('00) ,...



They can be engineered in the UV completion of the SM, such as string theory

### Yukawa couplings in 4D N=1 SUSY

Kinetic term of matters  $A^i$  :  $K = K_{i\bar{j}}A^i\bar{A}^j$ 

Holomorphic Yukawa couplings :  $W = y_{ijk}A^iA^jA^k$ 

Physical Yukawa couplings (after canonically normalizing fields  $A^{i}$ )

$$Y_{abc} = e^{\frac{K}{2}} L_a^i L_b^j L_c^k y_{ijk}$$

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Hierarchical structure of Yukawa couplings :

1. Flavor structure of holomorphic Yukawa couplings  $y_{ijk}$  (controlled by modular symmetries (modular forms))

 $y_{ttt} \propto E_4(t)$  (weight 4)  $y_{tss} = \text{consant}$ 

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Physical Yukawa couplings (after canonically normalizing fields  $A^{i}$ )

$$Y_{abc} = e^{\frac{K}{2}} L_a^i L_b^j L_c^k y_{ijk}$$

 $L_a^i$ : diagonalizing the kinetic terms  $K_{i\bar{j}}$ 

Hierarchical structure of Yukawa couplings :

1. Flavor structure of holomorphic Yukawa couplings  $y_{ijk}$  (controlled by modular symmetries (modular forms))

 $y_{ttt} \propto E_4(t)$  (weight 4)  $y_{tss} = \text{consant}$ 

2. Kinetic mixing of matter field Kahler metric  $K_{i\bar{J}}$ (positive and negative modular weights  $\rightarrow$  large kinetic mixing)

$$\begin{split} K_{t\bar{t}}^{(27)} &\sim e^{-\frac{K}{3}} K_{t\bar{t}} \simeq \frac{1}{(t-\bar{t})^{5/3}} \\ K_{s\bar{s}}^{(27)} &\sim e^{-\frac{K}{3}} K_{s\bar{s}} \simeq (t-\bar{t})^{1/3} \end{split}$$

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- Geometric symmtries
- $SL(2,\mathbb{Z})$  for toroidal backgrounds
- $Sp(2g,\mathbb{Z})$  for multi-moduli

Modular symmetry

Strong constraints on the EFT

- Flavor symmetry ⊂ Modular symmetry
  - Holormorphic Yukawa couplings  $\sim$  modular forms
  - Large kinetic mixings induced by modular weights

## Discussion (1/2) Higher-order couplings in SUSY $E_6$ GUT

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<u>Dimension-5</u>



• *n*-point couplings :  $F_{ij...n} = \partial_i \partial_j \dots \partial_n F$  *F* : prepotential

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- Non-trivial representations under  $Sp(2h + 2, \mathbb{Z})$ 

### Discussion (2/2) Higher-order couplings in SUSY $E_6$ GUT

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Prepotential :  $F = F_{\text{cubic polynomial}} + F_{\text{instanton}}$  E.g.,  $F_{ijkl} = \partial_i \partial_j \partial_k \partial_l F_{\text{instanton}}$  are exponentially suppressed
 -> no dangerous flavor/CP-violating processes under Im $t^i \gg_{42}$  Thank you!

## Appendix

4D CP and modular symmetry

4D CP  $\subset$  10D proper Lorentz transformation

Consider simultaneous transformations of Strominger-Witten ('85) Dine-Leigh-MacIntire ('92) — 4D parity Choi-Kaplan-Nelson ('92) - 6D orientation reversing :  $z_i \rightarrow -\bar{z}_i$  (i = 1,2,3) $(z_i: \text{local coordinates of 6D space})$ (Volume form :  $dV \rightarrow -dV$ )  $dV \propto dz_1 \wedge dz_2 \wedge dz_3 \wedge d\overline{z}_1 \wedge d\overline{z}_2 \wedge d\overline{z}_3$ 

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### CP as an outer automorphism of symplectic modular group

• Under CP and symplectic modular transf.  $\gamma \in Sp(2h^{2,1} + 2, \mathbb{Z})$ 

$$\Pi \xrightarrow{\mathrm{CP}} \mathcal{CP} \overline{\Pi} \xrightarrow{\gamma} \mathcal{CP} \cdot \gamma \overline{\Pi} \xrightarrow{\mathrm{CP}^{-1}} \mathcal{CP} \cdot \gamma \cdot \mathcal{CP}^{-1} \Pi$$
$$\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} d & c \\ b & a \end{pmatrix} \to \mathcal{Q}(\gamma) \equiv \mathcal{CP} \cdot \gamma \cdot \mathcal{CP}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} d & -c \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}$$

- Outer automorphism Q:
  - (i)  $\mathcal{Q}(\gamma_1)\mathcal{Q}(\gamma_2) = \mathcal{CP} \cdot \gamma_1 \cdot \mathcal{CP}^{-1}\mathcal{CP} \cdot \gamma_2 \cdot \mathcal{CP}^{-1} = \mathcal{Q}(\gamma_1\gamma_2)$
  - (ii) No group element  $\hat{\gamma} \in Sp(2h^{2,1} + 2, \mathbb{Z})$  exists s.t.  $\mathcal{Q}(\gamma) = \hat{\gamma}^{-1}\gamma\hat{\gamma}$

### Enlarging the symplectic modular group

• Symplectic modular group  $Sp(2h^{2,1}+2,\mathbb{Z})$  is enlarged to

$$Sp(2h^{2,1}+2,\mathbb{Z})\rtimes \mathcal{CP}$$

• Natural extension of  $T^2$  toroidal case (Modular group :  $SL(2,\mathbb{Z})$ )

$$GL(2,\mathbb{Z}) \simeq SL(2,\mathbb{Z}) \rtimes \mathcal{CP}$$
  
 $SL(2,\mathbb{Z}) \simeq Sp(2,\mathbb{Z})$ 

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