

Mirror Symmetry and Spinor–Vector Duality

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- Torodial lattices of heterotic–strings: G, B, W
- Mirror symmetry: $G, B \rightarrow \tilde{G}, \tilde{B}$
Kähler \leftrightarrow Complex structure moduli $\chi \leftrightarrow -\chi$
- Spinor–vector duality: $W \rightarrow \tilde{W}$

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Fermionic $Z_2 \times Z_2$ orbifolds

‘Phenomenology of the Standard Model and Unification’

- **Minimal Superstring Standard Model** NPB 335 (1990) 347
(with Nanopoulos & Yuan)
- **Top quark mass $\sim 175\text{--}180\text{GeV}$** PLB 274 (1992) 47
- **Generation mass hierarchy** NPB 407 (1993) 57
- **CKM mixing** NPB 416 (1994) 63 (with Halyo)
- **Stringy seesaw mechanism** PLB 307 (1993) 311 (with Halyo)
- **Gauge coupling unification** NPB 457 (1995) 409 (with Dienes)
- **Proton stability** NPB 428 (1994) 111
- **Squark degeneracy** NPB 526 (1998) 21 (with Pati)
- **Moduli fixing** NPB 728 (2005) 83
- **Classification** 2003 – . . .

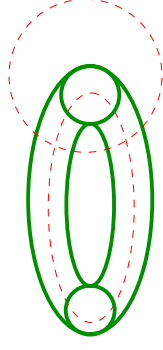
(with Kounnas, Rizos & ... Percival, Matyas)

Fermionic Construction

Left-Movers: $\psi^{\mu=1,2}$, χ_i , y_i , ω_i ($i = 1, \dots, 6$)

Right-Movers

$$\bar{\phi}_{A=1, \dots, 44} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \bar{y}_i, \bar{\omega}_i & i = 1, \dots, 6 \\ \bar{\eta}_i & U(1)_i \quad i = 1, 2, 3 \\ \bar{\psi}_{1, \dots, 5} & SO(10) \\ \bar{\phi}_{1, \dots, 8} & SO(16) \end{array} \right.$$



$V \longrightarrow V$

$f \longrightarrow -e^{i\pi\alpha(f)} f$

$$Z = \sum_{\text{all spin structures}} c(\vec{\alpha}) Z(\vec{\beta})$$

Models \longleftrightarrow Basis vectors + one-loop phases

Classification of fermionic $Z_2 \times Z_2$ orbifolds

Basis vectors:

$$1 = \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{1,\dots,6}, y^{1,\dots,6}, \omega^{1,\dots,6} \mid \bar{y}^{1,\dots,6}, \bar{\omega}^{1,\dots,6}, \bar{\eta}^{1,2,3}, \bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}, \bar{\phi}^{1,\dots,8}\}$$

$$S = \{\psi^\mu, \chi^{1,\dots,6}\},$$

$$z_1 = \{\bar{\phi}^{1,\dots,4}\},$$

$$z_2 = \{\bar{\phi}^{5,\dots,8}\},$$

$$e_i = \{y^i, \omega^i \mid \bar{y}^i, \bar{\omega}^i\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, 6,$$

$$N = 4 \text{ Vacua}$$

$$b_1 = \{\chi^{34}, \chi^{56}, y^{34}, y^{56} \mid \bar{y}^{34}, \bar{y}^{56}, \bar{\eta}^1, \bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}\}, \quad N = 4 \rightarrow N = 2$$

$$b_2 = \{\chi^{12}, \chi^{56}, y^{12}, y^{56} \mid \bar{y}^{12}, \bar{y}^{56}, \bar{\eta}^2, \bar{\psi}^{1,\dots,5}\}, \quad N = 2 \rightarrow N = 1$$

$$\text{Vector bosons: NS, } z_{1,2}, z_1 + z_2, \quad X = 1 + s + \sum e_i + z_1 + z_2$$

$$\text{impose: } c \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = -1 \quad \& \quad \text{Gauge group } SO(10) \times U(1)^3 \times \text{hidden}$$

Mirror symmetry

Enhance $SO(10) \rightarrow E_6$

from $X = 1 + S + \sum_i e_i + z_1 + z_2 = \{\bar{\psi}^1, \dots, \bar{5}, \bar{\eta}^{1,2,3}\}$

Euler characteristic $\chi = \#(\mathbf{27} - \overline{\mathbf{27}}) \longrightarrow -\chi$

Exchanges complex and Kähler structure moduli

Moduli of the internal compactified space

Vafa–Witten 1994: Mirror symmetry in terms of discrete torsion

$$c\left(\begin{smallmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{smallmatrix}\right) = +1 \rightarrow c\left(\begin{smallmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{smallmatrix}\right) = -1$$

Duality under exchange of spinors and vectors.

First Plane			Second plane			Third Plane			# of models
s	\bar{s}	ν	s	\bar{s}	ν	s	\bar{s}	ν	
2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1325963712
0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1340075584
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3718991872
0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	6385031168

of models with $\#(16 + \overline{16}) = \#$ of models with $\#(10)$

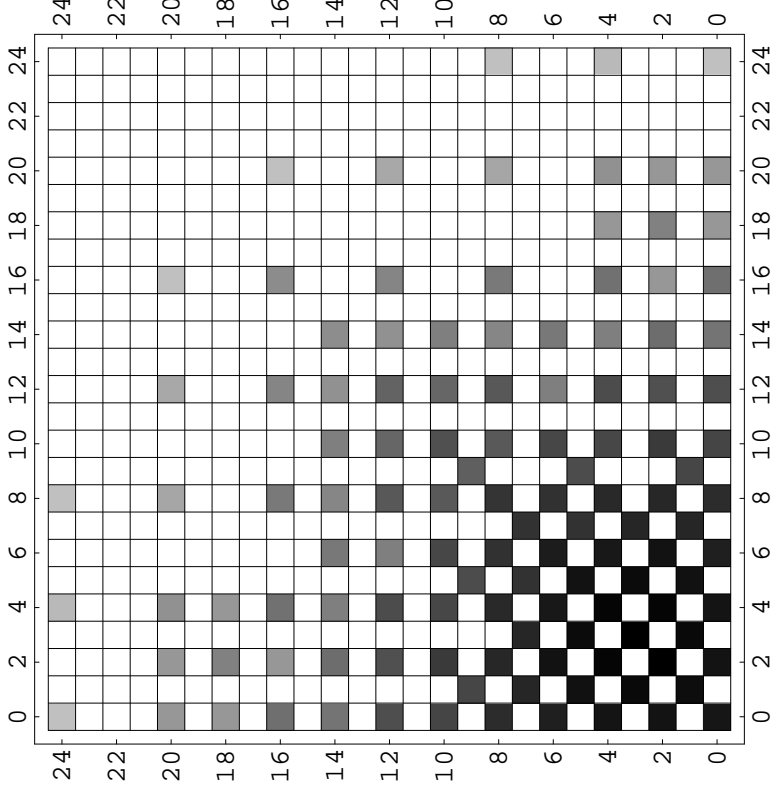
For every model with $\#(16 + \overline{16})$ & $\#(10)$

There exist another model in which they are interchanged

Reflects discrete exchange of phases

Spinor–vector duality:

Invariance under exchange of $\#(16 + \overline{16}) < - > \#(10)$



Symmetric under exchange of rows and columns

$$E_6 : \quad 27 = 16 + 10 + 1 \quad \overline{27} = \overline{16} + 10 + 1$$

Self-dual: $\#(16 + \overline{16}) = \#(10)$ without E_6 symmetry

Using the level-one $SO(2n)$ characters:

$$O_{2n} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\theta_3^n}{\eta^n} + \frac{\theta_4^n}{\eta^n} \right), \quad V_{2n} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\theta_3^n}{\eta^n} - \frac{\theta_4^n}{\eta^n} \right),$$

$$S_{2n} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\theta_2^n}{\eta^n} + i^{-n} \frac{\theta_1^n}{\eta^n} \right), \quad C_{2n} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\theta_2^n}{\eta^n} - i^{-n} \frac{\theta_1^n}{\eta^n} \right).$$

where

$$\theta_3 \equiv Z_f \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \theta_4 \equiv Z_f \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\theta_2 \equiv Z_f \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \theta_1 \equiv Z_f \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Spinor–Vector duality in Orbifolds:

$$Z_+ = (V_8 - S_8) \otimes 6 \left(\sum_{m,n} \Lambda_{m,n} \right) E_8 \times E_8,$$

apply $Z_2 \times Z'_2 : g \times g'$

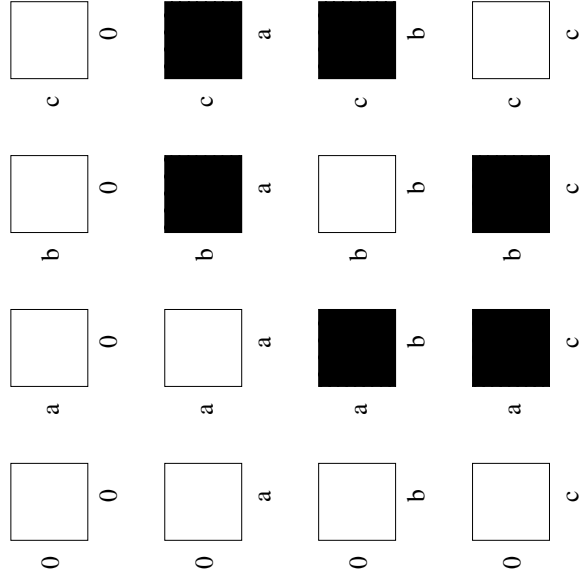
$$g : (0^7, 1|1, 0^7) \rightarrow \text{Wilson line} \rightarrow E_8 \times E_8 \rightarrow SO(16) \times SO(16)$$

$$g' : (x_4, x_5, x_6, x_7, x_8, x_9) \rightarrow (-x_4, -x_5, -x_6, -x_7, +x_8, +x_9)$$

Note: A single space twisting $Z'_2 \Rightarrow N = 4 \rightarrow N = 2$

$$E_7 \rightarrow SO(12) \times SU(2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Analyze } Z = \left(\frac{Z_+}{Z_g \times Z_{g'}} \right) = \left[\frac{(1+g)(1+g')}{2} \right] Z_+$$



$$a = g ; b = g' ; c = gg'$$

$$\text{P.F.} = (\square + \varepsilon \blacksquare) = \Lambda_{m,n} \bullet () + \Lambda_{m,n+1/2} \bullet ()$$

$$\varepsilon = \pm 1$$

massless massive

• sector b

$$\Lambda_{p,q} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left(\left| \frac{2\eta}{\theta_4} \right|^4 + \left| \frac{2\eta}{\theta_3} \right|^4 \right) [P_\epsilon^+ Q_s \bar{V}_{12} \bar{C}_4 \bar{O}_{16} + P_\epsilon^- Q_s \bar{S}_{12} \bar{O}_4 \bar{O}_{16}] + \frac{1}{2} \left(\left| \frac{2\eta}{\theta_4} \right|^4 - \left| \frac{2\eta}{\theta_3} \right|^4 \right) [P_\epsilon^+ Q_s \bar{O}_{12} \bar{S}_4 \bar{O}_{16}] \right\} + \text{massive}$$

where

$$P_\epsilon^+ = \left(\frac{1 + \epsilon(-1)^m}{2} \right) \Lambda_{m,n} \quad P_\epsilon^- = \left(\frac{1 - \epsilon(-1)^m}{2} \right) \Lambda_{m,n}$$

$$\epsilon = +1 \Rightarrow P_\epsilon^+ = \Lambda_{2m,n} \quad P_\epsilon^- = \Lambda_{2m+1,n}$$

$$\epsilon = -1 \Rightarrow P_\epsilon^+ = \Lambda_{2m+1,n} \quad P_\epsilon^- = \Lambda_{2m,n}$$

and $12 \cdot 2 + 4 \cdot 2 = 32$

w Florakis, Mohapat, Tsulaia (2011) $\epsilon \leftrightarrow$ Wilson line & spectral flow

Spinor-Vector duality on Calabi–Yau threefolds with vector bundles :

- From the “Land” to the “Swamp” w Groot–Nibellink & Hurtado–Heredia, arXiv:2103.13442, spinor–vector duality on a resolved orbifold. The role of the discrete torsion in the effective field theory limit
- Vafa–Witten 1994, the role of a discrete torsion in the $Z_2 \times Z_2$ orbifold in mirror symmetry
- In similar spirit \rightarrow the imprint of the worldsheet modular properties in the effective field theory limit

Interactions

correlators between vertex operators $\langle V_1^f V_2^f V_3^b \dots V_N^b \rangle$

Vertex operators

$$V_{(-\frac{1}{2})}^f = e^{(-\frac{\epsilon}{2})} \mathcal{L}^\ell e^{(i\alpha\chi_{12})} e^{(i\beta\chi_{34})} e^{(i\gamma\chi_{56})} \left(\prod_j e^{(iq_i\zeta_j)} \{\sigma' s\} \prod_j e^{(i\bar{q}_i\bar{\zeta}_j)} \right) e^{(i\bar{\alpha}\bar{\eta}_1)} e^{(i\bar{\beta}\bar{\eta}_2)} e^{(i\bar{\gamma}\bar{\eta}_3)} e^{(iW_{R\cdot\bar{J}})} e^{(i\frac{1}{2}KX)} e^{(i\frac{1}{2}K\cdot\bar{X})}$$

Non-vanishing correlators \longrightarrow invariant under all the string symmetries

Mirror symmetry $\longrightarrow 27 \cdot 27 \cdot 27 \longleftrightarrow \overline{27} \cdot \overline{27} \cdot \overline{27}$

Mathematical implications

- On Calabi–Yau threefolds, the couplings correspond to intersections of curves \longleftrightarrow rational curves on CY manifolds
- mirror symmetry is instrumental in counting of rational curves on CY 3-folds \longleftrightarrow instrumental in enumerative geometry
- A tool developed for that purpose are the Gromov–Witten invariants

Questions

- Perform a similar analysis of correlators on spinor–vector dual vacua;
- What are the analogue of the Gromov–Witten invariants in the case of spinor–vector duality
- spinor–vector duality \longrightarrow a tool to study CY manifolds with bundles
- moduli spaces of $(2, 0)$ string compactifications
- Is it complete? Is it constraining the viable effective field limit of stringy quantum gravity.
- ...

A Swampland Conjecture(?):

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- Every EFT $(2, 0)$ heterotic-string compactification has to be connected to a $(2, 2)$ heterotic-string compactification by an orbifold or by continuous interpolation. If not \rightarrow it is in the swampland
- Completeness?!

Conclusions

- Mirror Symmetry \longrightarrow pure mathematical interest
- Spinor–vector duality \longrightarrow extension of mirror symmetry
- $(G, B, W) \longrightarrow \tilde{G}, \tilde{B}, \tilde{W}$
- Spinor–vector duality \longleftrightarrow pure mathematical interest???
- Physical application : String derived extra Z' model
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