# Yukawa couplings at the point of E8 in F-theory



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## Motivation

It is difficult to build natural GUTs within perturbative Type II that are phenomenologically viable.

 $\diamond$   $E_6$  and SO(10) cannot be realised.

 $\diamond$  SU(5) GUTs forbid a perturbative top Yukawa. Perturbative U(1)

F-theory provides a non-perturbative description of Type IIB and it should be possible to build a SU(5) GUT with naturally large top Yukawa. [Beasley, Heckman, Vafa '08] [Donagi Wijnholt '08]

Aim of the talk: Discuss the flavour structure in the vicinity of  $E_8$ 

[Palti '12]

# SU(5) GUTs in F-theory

Gauge group: SU(5)

Breaking to SM:  $SU(5) \rightarrow SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$ 

Matter content:  $\mathbf{10}_{\mathbf{M}}, \, \overline{\mathbf{5}}_{\mathbf{M}}, \, \mathbf{5}_{\mathbf{U}}, \, \overline{\mathbf{5}}_{\mathbf{D}} \rightarrow Q, \, U, \, E, \, D, \, L, \, H_U, \, H_D$ 

Very robust (holomorphic)

[Talks on monday: Mayrhofer, Kapfer, Reuter, Oehlmann, Till]

Yukawa couplings:  $Y_U : \mathbf{10}_M \times \mathbf{10}_M \times \mathbf{5}_U \to Q \times U \times H_U$  $Y_{D/L} : \mathbf{10}_M \times \mathbf{\overline{5}}_M \times \mathbf{\overline{5}}_D \to \begin{cases} Y_D : Q \times D \times H_D \\ Y_L : E \times L \times H_D \end{cases}$ 

Non-holomorphic Localisation

Many other issues: moduli stabilisation, SUSY breaking, proton decay, etc.

7-brane gauge theory

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

Essentially the same as the gauge theory for a stack of D7-branes

(exceptional gauge groups!)

Field content: Gauge field A + Adjoint complex scalar  $\Phi$ 

$$\begin{cases} F^{0,2} = 0 \\ \bar{\partial}_A \Phi = 0 \end{cases}$$
 F-terms  $\omega \wedge F + \frac{1}{2} [\Phi, \Phi^{\dagger}] = 0$  D-term (holomorphic) (physical)



Gauge group: singularity at Yukawa point

Fluctuations around background. Wavefunctions for MSSM fields,  $\vec{\Psi}$ 

Yukawa couplings

[Heckman, Vafa '08] [Font, Ibañez '09] [Cecotti, Cheng, Heckman, Vafa '09] [Conlon, Palti '09]

$$W = m_* \int_S \operatorname{Tr}(F \wedge \Phi) \supset -im_* \int_S \operatorname{Tr}(A \wedge A \wedge \Phi)$$
$$Y_{ij} = m_* \int_S \det(\vec{\Psi}_H, \vec{\Psi}_M^i, \vec{\Psi}_M^j)$$



Holomorphic Yukawas are independent of the metric and fluxes. Rank-one problem.

*Physical* Yukawas when canonical kinetic terms. Depend on the metric and fluxes (hypercharge).

$$K_{\rho}^{ij} = \int_{S} \operatorname{Tr} \left( \vec{\Psi}_{\rho}^{i\dagger} \cdot \vec{\Psi}_{\rho}^{j} \right) \operatorname{dvol}_{S}$$

#### Beyond rank one

[Cecotti et al '09] [Marchesano, Martucci '09] [Aparicio et al '11] [Font et al '12]

Additional effects are needed to solve the rank-one problem

E3-branes generate a np superpotential for D3-branes and for D7s with induced D3 charge (i.e.  $\frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_S \text{Tr}F \wedge F$ )

$$W = m_*^4 \left[ \int_S \operatorname{Tr} \left( \Phi \wedge F \right) + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \int_S \theta_0 \operatorname{Tr} \left( F \wedge F \right) + \operatorname{higher} \, \theta'_n s \right]$$

 $\epsilon \sim e^{-\operatorname{Vol}_{E3}}$   $\longrightarrow$  Small number (perturbation theory)

 $\theta_n \sim \frac{1}{m_*^{2n}} \partial_z^n \log h \longrightarrow \theta_0 \text{ most important}$  $h = 0 \longrightarrow \text{Position of E3}$ 

> Extra contributions to Yukawas Full rank

#### What we are looking for



 Hierarchical structure of masses

Different Yukawas for
 D-quarks and leptons

♦ Almost diagonal CKM

	0.97	0.23	0.004	
CKM =	0.23	0.97	0.04	
	0.008	0.04	0.99	/

### What we are doing

Take  $E_8$  gauge theory on  $S_{GUT} = \mathbb{C}^2 \longrightarrow$  Ultra-local model for an  $E_8$  stack. Add deformation to go beyond rank one  $W = W_0 + \epsilon W_1$  [Heckman, Tavanfar, Vafa '10] [Palti '12]

Specify  $\langle \Phi \rangle$  in  $SU(5)_{\perp}$ ,  $E_8 \to SU(5)_{GUT} \times SU(5)_{\perp}$ 

 $\langle \Phi \rangle \begin{cases} S(U(4) \times U(1))_{\perp} \\ S(U(3) \times U(2))_{\perp} \\ S(U(2) \times U(2) \times U(1))_{\perp} \end{cases}$ 

Reconstructible T-branes Monodromy  $\mathbb{Z}_4, \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ 

> [Cecotti, Cheng, Heckman, Vafa '10] [Chiou, Faraggi, Tatar, Williams '11]

Focus on the most promising model at the holomorphic level.

Specify fluxes to generate chirality and GUT breaking.

Compute physical Yukawa couplings and CKM matrix.

#### Holomorphic Yukawas

Most promising model:

 $10_{\mathrm{M}}$ 

$$\langle \Phi \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & m & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ m^2 x & \lambda & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d(\lambda + \kappa) & \tilde{m} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \tilde{m}^2 y & d(\lambda + \kappa) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2(1 + d)\lambda - 2d\kappa \end{pmatrix}$$
 2+2+1 model  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ 

 $E_8 \rightarrow SU(5)_{GUT} \times S(U(2) \times U(2) \times U(1))_{\perp}$  $\mathbf{248} \to (\mathbf{10}, \mathbf{2}, \mathbf{1})_{3, -2} \oplus (\mathbf{\bar{5}}, \mathbf{2}, \mathbf{1})_{1, -4} \oplus (\mathbf{5}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_{-6, 4} \oplus (\mathbf{\bar{5}}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_{-4, 6} \oplus \dots$  ${ar 5}_{
m M}$  $\overline{5}_{D}$ 

 $Y_U: \mathbf{10_M} \times \mathbf{10_M} \times \mathbf{5_U}$ are allowed by gauge invariance (underlying  $E_8$ )  $Y_{D/L}: \mathbf{10}_{\mathbf{M}} \times \mathbf{\overline{5}}_{\mathbf{M}} \times \mathbf{\overline{5}}_{\mathbf{D}}$ [Palti's talk]

 $5_{\rm U}$ 

This specifies completely the matter curves and holomorphic Yukawas

(Relatively simple algebraic problem)

#### Holomorphic Yukawas

$$Y_{U} = \frac{1}{2\rho_{m}\rho_{\mu}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \epsilon \frac{1}{2\rho_{\mu}} \\ 0 & \epsilon \frac{1}{2\rho_{\mu}} & 0 \\ \epsilon \frac{1}{2\rho_{\mu}} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{2})$$

$$Y_{D/L} = \frac{1}{2d\rho_{m}\rho_{\mu}} \begin{pmatrix} -\epsilon\kappa^{2}\frac{1}{2d\rho_{\mu}^{3}} & \epsilon\kappa\frac{1}{d\rho_{\mu}^{2}} & \left(\frac{2\kappa^{2}}{\rho_{\mu}} - \frac{\epsilon}{d}\right)\frac{1}{2\rho_{\mu}} \\ \epsilon\kappa\frac{1}{2d\rho_{\mu}^{2}} & -\epsilon\frac{1}{2d\rho_{\mu}} & -\kappa\frac{1}{\rho_{\mu}} \\ -\epsilon\frac{1}{2d\rho_{\mu}} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{2})$$

$$V = \epsilon^{-1} \qquad V = \epsilon^{-1} \qquad V = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{2})$$

$$Y_{t} = \frac{1}{2\rho_{m}\rho_{\mu}}, \qquad Y_{c} = \epsilon \frac{1}{4\rho_{m}\rho_{\mu}^{2}}, \qquad Y_{u} = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{2})$$

$$Y_{b} = \frac{1}{2d\rho_{m}\rho_{\mu}}, \qquad Y_{s} = \epsilon \frac{1}{4d^{2}\rho_{m}\rho_{\mu}^{2}}, \qquad Y_{d} = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{2})$$

$$Y_{\tau} = \frac{1}{2d\rho_{m}\rho_{\mu}}, \qquad Y_{\mu} = \epsilon \frac{1}{4d^{2}\rho_{m}\rho_{\mu}^{2}}, \qquad Y_{e} = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{2}),$$

Hierarchical structure (not true for every model)

Do not depend on fluxes  $(Y_D = Y_L)$ 

 $\kappa$  controls the separation between the two Yukawa points (CKM)

#### Physical Yukawas

Introduce fluxes to generate chirality and break the GUT group (hypercharge)

- Non-primitive fluxes from T-branes (D-term)
- Most general constant primitive fluxes  $(M_1, M_2, N_1, N_2)$

Hypercharge flux  $(N_Y, \tilde{N}_Y)$ :  $SU(5)_{GUT} \rightarrow SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$ 

Solve for the fluctuations around this background (including the D-term)

Compute the kinetic terms for the MSSM fields  $K_{\rho}^{ij} = \int_{S} \text{Tr} (\vec{\Psi}_{\rho}^{i\dagger} \cdot \vec{\Psi}_{\rho}^{j}) \, dvol_{S}$ Compute the physical Yukawa couplings

(Very complicated system of coupled PDEs)

Physical Yukawas

$$\begin{split} Y_{t} &= \frac{\pi^{2} \gamma_{U} \gamma_{10,3}^{Q} \gamma_{10,3}^{U}}{2\rho_{m}\rho_{\mu}}, \qquad Y_{c} = \epsilon \frac{\pi^{2} \gamma_{U} \gamma_{10,2}^{Q} \gamma_{10,2}^{U}}{4\rho_{m}\rho_{\mu}^{2}}, \qquad Y_{u} = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{2}) \\ Y_{b} &= \frac{\pi^{2} \gamma_{D} \gamma_{10,3}^{Q} \gamma_{5,3}^{D}}{2d\rho_{m}\rho_{\mu}}, \qquad Y_{s} = \epsilon \frac{\pi^{2} \gamma_{D} \gamma_{10,2}^{Q} \gamma_{5,2}^{D}}{4d^{2}\rho_{m}\rho_{\mu}^{2}}, \qquad Y_{d} = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{2}) \\ Y_{\tau} &= \frac{\pi^{2} \gamma_{D} \gamma_{10,3}^{E} \gamma_{5,3}^{L}}{2d\rho_{m}\rho_{\mu}}, \qquad Y_{\mu} = \epsilon \frac{\pi^{2} \gamma_{D} \gamma_{10,2}^{E} \gamma_{5,2}^{L}}{4d^{2}\rho_{m}\rho_{\mu}^{2}}, \qquad Y_{e} = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{2}), \end{split}$$

The gammas are the normalisation factors. Depend on intersection angles and fluxes (not a simple dependence)

For reasonable values of the parameters, it is possible to (not generic):

- Obtain a large top Yukawa coupling
- Have different  $Y_D$  and  $Y_L$  at unification scale (hypercharge flux)
- Match measured Yukawas for 2nd and 3rd generations (RGEs)

CKM element:

$$|V_{tb}| \simeq 1 - \frac{|\kappa|^2 (\gamma_{10,2}^Q)^2}{2|\rho_\mu|^2 (\gamma_{10,3}^Q)^2} \simeq 0.9991$$

 $\kappa$  controls the distance between Yukawa points

 $Y_U$  and  $Y_{D/L}$  very close to each other

# Conclusions

- We have performed a partial classification of ultra-local models at the point of  $E_8$  in F-theory SU(5) GUTs
- ♦ It seems possible (though not generic) to get a satisfactory flavour structure from  $E_8$  in F-theory:
  - ♦ Large top Yukawa
  - Hierarchy of masses
  - $\diamond$  Different  $Y_D$  and  $Y_L$
  - Almost diagonal CKM

## Outlook

- Go to next order in the epsilon analysis. Better control over the lightest generation (Cabibbo angle)
- $\diamond$  From ultra-local to local. Better control over the normalisation factors. Curvature of  $S_{GUT}$ , more constraints, etc.

# Thank you!

## Yukawas and masses at unification scale

$\tan\!\beta$	10	38	50
$m_u/m_c$	$2.7\pm0.6\times10^{-3}$	$2.7\pm0.6\times10^{-3}$	$2.7\pm0.6\times10^{-3}$
$m_c/m_t$	$2.5\pm0.2\times10^{-3}$	$2.4\pm0.2\times10^{-3}$	$2.3\pm0.2\times10^{-3}$
$m_d/m_s$	$5.1\pm0.7\times10^{-2}$	$5.1\pm0.7\times10^{-2}$	$5.1\pm0.7\times10^{-2}$
$m_s/m_b$	$1.9\pm0.2\times10^{-2}$	$1.7\pm0.2\times10^{-2}$	$1.6\pm0.2\times10^{-2}$
$m_e/m_\mu$	$4.8\pm0.2\times10^{-3}$	$4.8\pm0.2\times10^{-3}$	$4.8\pm0.2\times10^{-3}$
$m_\mu/m_\tau$	$5.9\pm0.2\times10^{-2}$	$5.4\pm0.2\times10^{-2}$	$5.0\pm0.2\times10^{-2}$
$Y_{\tau}$	$0.070\pm0.003$	$0.32\pm0.02$	$0.51\pm0.04$
$Y_b$	$0.051 \pm 0.002$	$0.23\pm0.01$	$0.37\pm0.02$
$Y_t$	$0.48\pm0.02$	$0.49\pm0.02$	$0.51\pm0.04$