# Flux Compactifications & the Hierarchy Problem

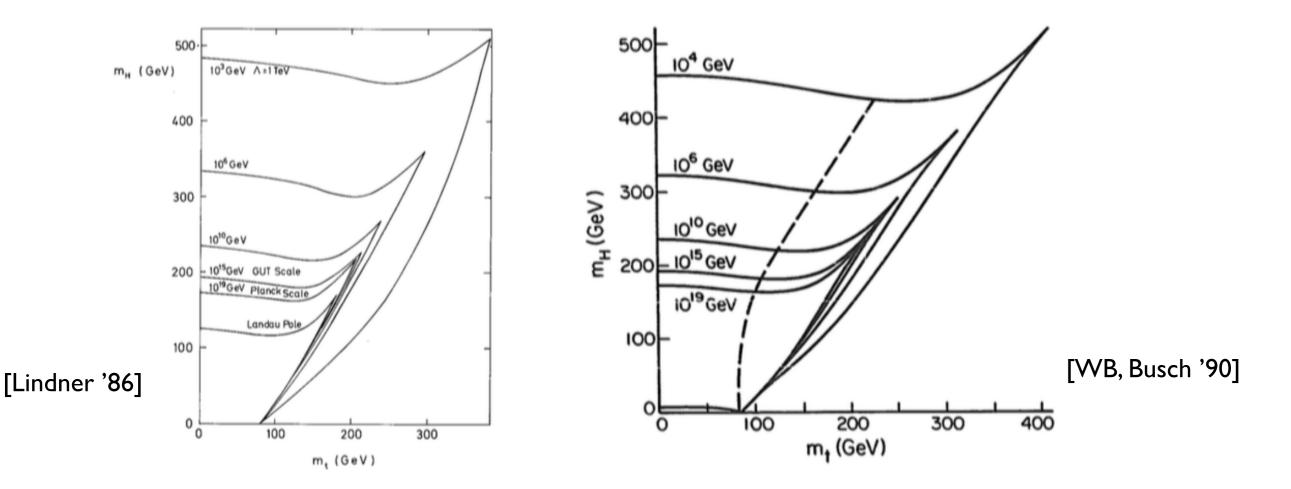
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## Manfred & conformal symmetry

My first encounter with Manfred: Santa Barbara, 1990, UV completion of SM



Triviality and vacuum stability limit allowed range of Higgs and top masses; adding dilaton yields `hidden scale invariance' with stringent vacuum stability bound  $m_t < 100 \text{ GeV}$  (still interesting topic ...)

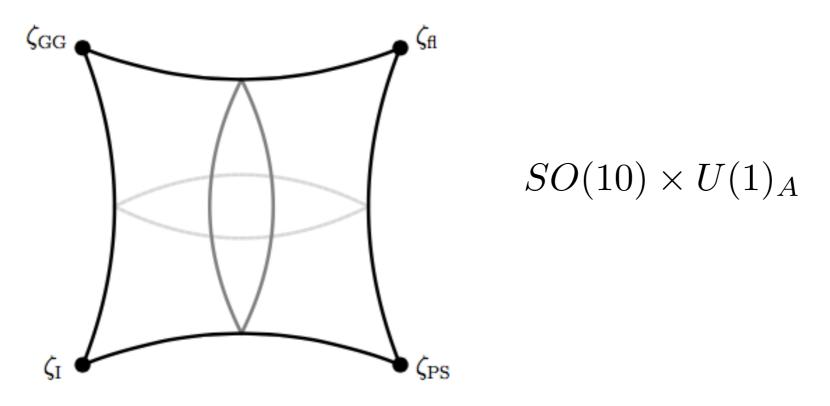
### UV Completion of the Standard Model

- Structure of Standard Model points towards "grand unification" of strong and electroweak interactions (quark and lepton content, gauge group, "unification" of gauge couplings, small neutrino masses ...)
- Strong theoretical arguments for supersymmetry at "high" energy scales (gravity, extra dimensions, string theory)
- Energy scale of grand unification:  $\Lambda_{GUT} \simeq 10^{15} \dots 10^{16} \text{ GeV}$ energy scale of supersymmetry breaking:  $\Lambda_{SB} \simeq ??$
- This talk: 6d supergravity GUTs,  $\Lambda_{\rm SB} \sim R_{\rm c}^{-1} \sim \Lambda_{\rm GUT}$

# Split symmetries

WB, Dierigl, Ruehle, Schweizer '15, '16

Consider SO(10) GUT group in 6d, broken at orbifold fixed points to standard SU(5)xU(1), Pati-Salam SU(4)xSU(2)xSU(2) and flipped SU(5)xU(1), with SM group as intersection; bulk fields 45, 16, 16\*, 10's [Asaka,WB, Covi '02; Hall, Nomura et al '02; ...]; full 6d gauge symmetry:



N 16's from charged bulk 16-plet and N flux quanta:

**16**  $[SO(10)] \sim 5^* + 10 + 1 [SU(5)] \sim q, l, u^c, e^c, d^c, \nu^c [G_{SM}]$ 

Higgs fields from uncharged bulk 10-plets, form split multiplets:

$$H_1 \supset H_u$$
,  $H_2 \supset H_d$ ,  $\Psi \supset D^c$ ,  $N^c$ ,  $\Psi^c \supset D$ ,  $N$ 

Flux **breaks supersymmetry** [Bachas '95], soft SUSY breaking only for quark-lepton families:

$$\begin{split} M^2 &= m_{\tilde{q}}^2 = m_{\tilde{l}}^2 = \frac{4\pi N}{V_2} \sim (10^{15} \text{ GeV})^2 \\ m_{3/2} &\sim 10^{14} \text{ GeV} \,, \quad m_{\tilde{q}}^2 = m_{\tilde{l}}^2 > m_{3/2} \sim m_{1/2} \gg m_{\tilde{h}} \end{split}$$

Emerging picture of **Split Symmetries** (reminiscent of "split/spread SUSY" [Arkani-Hamed, Dimopoulos; Giudice, Romanino '04; Hall, Nomura '11]):

- supersymmetry breaking is large for scalar quarks and leptons because they form complete GUT multiplets
- supersymmetry breaking can be small for gauge and Higgs fields because they form incomplete GUT multiplets (THDM)

#### Can GUT-scale SUSY breaking be viable?

- Is a matching of THDMs to SUSY at GUT scale consistent with RG running and vacuum stability? What can we hope for at LHC?
- Can all moduli be stabilized (D-term breaking, F-term breaking ...) with de Sitter (Minkowski) vacua?
- How do **quantum corrections** change the tree-level picture? (`screening' of divergencies by magnetic flux?)
- Can the 6d SO(10)xU(1) SUGRA models be embedded into string theory?

## Quantum Corrections: toy model

WB, Dierigl, Dudas, Schweizer '16; Lee, Ghilencea `17

Simple example: 6d SUSY QED, compactified on torus:

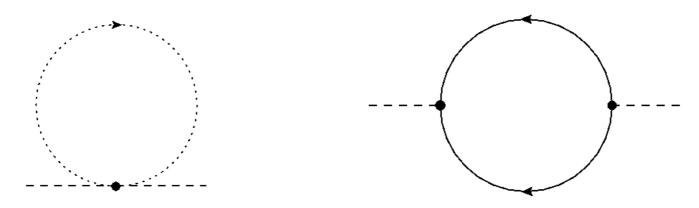
$$S_{6} = \int d^{6}x \left\{ \frac{1}{4} \int d^{2}\theta W^{\alpha}W_{\alpha} + \text{h.c.} + \int d^{4}\theta \left( \partial V \overline{\partial}V + \phi \overline{\phi} + \sqrt{2}V \left( \overline{\partial}\phi + \partial \overline{\phi} \right) \right) \right. \\ \left. + \int d^{2}\theta \tilde{Q} (\partial + \sqrt{2}gq\phi)Q + \text{h.c.} + \int d^{4}\theta \left( \overline{Q}e^{2gqV}Q + \overline{\tilde{Q}}e^{-2gqV}\tilde{Q} \right) \right\}, \\ \left. \partial = \partial_{5} - i\partial_{6}, \quad \phi|_{\theta = \overline{\theta} = 0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(A_{6} + iA_{5}) \right\}$$

Wilson line and flux background, mode expansion of superfields:

$$\phi_{0}|_{\theta=\overline{\theta}=0} = \frac{f}{2\sqrt{2}} \left( x_{5} - ix_{6} \right) + \varphi, \quad \varphi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( a_{6} + ia_{5} \right),$$
$$Q(x_{M}, \theta, \overline{\theta}) = \sum_{n,j} Q_{n,j}(x_{\mu}, \theta, \overline{\theta}) \psi_{n,j}(x_{m}), \quad \tilde{Q}(x_{M}, \theta, \overline{\theta}) = \dots$$
Bachas '95: Landau levels

→effective 4d action, compute Wilson line potential

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simplest case: no gauge background, bosonic and fermionic zero modes with small mass terms:

$$\mathcal{L}_m = -m_b^2(|\tilde{Q}|^2 + |Q|^2) - (m_f \tilde{\chi} \chi + c.c.)$$

one-loop quantum corrections with cutoff  $\Lambda$ :

$$\delta m_{\varphi}^2 = \frac{q^2}{4\pi^2} \left( \Lambda^2 - 2m_b^2 \ln \Lambda + \ldots \right)$$
  
$$\delta m_{\varphi}^2 = -\frac{q^2}{4\pi^2} \left( \Lambda^2 - 4m_f^2 \ln \Lambda + \ldots \right)$$

remaining logarithmic divergence for softly broken SUSY:

$$\delta m_{\varphi}^2 = -\frac{q^2}{2\pi^2} \left(m_b^2 - 2m_f^2\right) \ln \Lambda + \dots$$

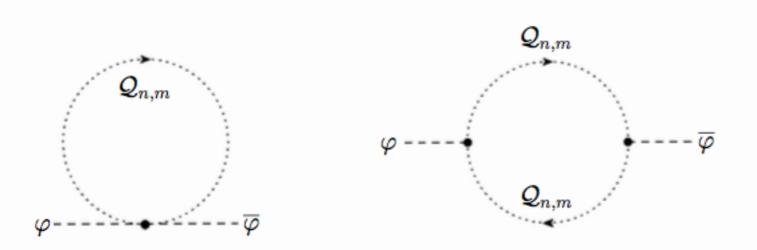


Figure 1: Bosonic contributions to the Wilson line mass without flux.

$$\begin{split} \delta m_b^2 &= 2g^2 q^2 \sum_{n,m} \int_0^\infty dt \, t \, e^{-|M_{n,m}|^2 t} \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} k^2 e^{-k^2 t} \\ &= \frac{g^2 q^2 L^2}{16\pi^3} \int_0^\infty \frac{dt}{t^3} \, \Theta_3 \left( 0; \frac{iL^2}{4\pi t} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{g^2 q^2 L^2}{16\pi^3} \int_0^\infty du \, u \, \Theta_3 \left( 0; \frac{iL^2 u}{4\pi} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{g^2 q^2}{\pi^3 L^2} \sum_{r,s} \frac{1}{(r^2 + s^2)^2} \, \sim \, \frac{g^2 q^2}{\pi^3 L^2} \left( \frac{1}{0^4} + 1 \right) \end{split}$$

Antoniadis, Benakli, Quiros '01, ...

mass correction finite, after subtraction of divergent constant (remnant of 6d gauge symmetry, invariance w.r.t. large gauge transformations)

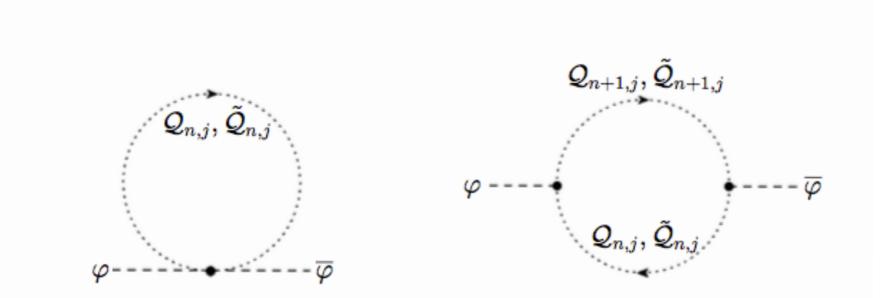


Figure 3: Bosonic contributions to the Wilson line mass with flux.

$$\begin{split} \delta m_b^2 &= -4q^2 g^2 |N| \sum_n \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \left( \frac{n}{k^2 + \alpha(n + \frac{1}{2})} - \frac{n+1}{k^2 + \alpha(n + \frac{3}{2})} \right) \\ &= -\frac{q^2 g^2}{4\pi^2} |N| \sum_n \int_0^\infty dt \, \frac{1}{t^2} \left( ne^{-\alpha(n + \frac{1}{2})t} - (n+1)e^{-\alpha(n + \frac{3}{2})t} \right) \\ &= -\frac{q^2 g^2}{4\pi^2} |N| \int_0^\infty dt \, \frac{1}{t^2} \left( \frac{e^{\frac{1}{2}\alpha t}}{(e^{\alpha t} - 1)^2} - \frac{e^{\frac{1}{2}\alpha t}}{(e^{\alpha t} - 1)^2} \right) = 0 \end{split}$$

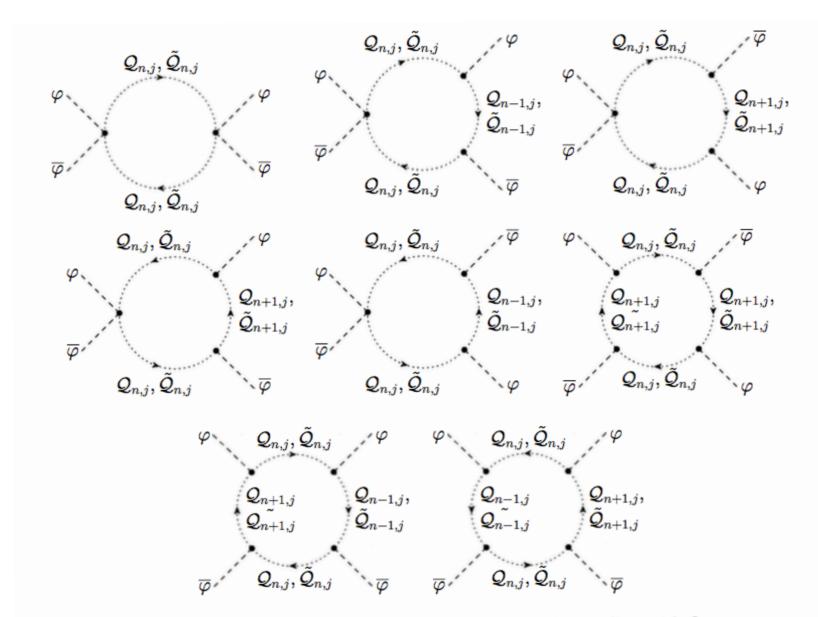


Figure 6: Bosonic contributions to the Wilson line quartic coupling with flux.

$$\delta\lambda_f = -\frac{q^4g^4}{2\pi^2} |N| \int_0^\infty dt \sum_n \left[ \frac{1}{t} \left( -n^2 e^{-\alpha nt} + (n+1)^2 e^{-\alpha(n+1)t} \right) + \frac{1}{\alpha t^2} \left( n(n+1)e^{-\alpha nt} - (n+1)(n+2)e^{-\alpha(n+1)t} - n(n+1)e^{-\alpha(n+1)t} + (n+1)(n+2)e^{-\alpha(n+2)t} \right) \right] = 0$$

#### Wilson lines as Goldstone bosons

Action of charged matter field invariant w.r.t. translations,

$$S_{6} = \int d^{6}x \left( -D_{M} \bar{Q} D^{M} Q \right), \quad D_{M} Q = (\partial_{M} + iqgA_{M})Q$$
$$\delta Q = \epsilon^{m} \partial_{m} Q, \quad \delta A_{n} = \epsilon^{m} \partial_{m} A_{n}$$

Symmetries for constant Wilson line background  $\varphi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( a_6 + i a_5 \right)$  ,

$$\delta Q = \epsilon^m \partial_m Q \,, \quad \delta a_n = 0$$

Flux background breaks translational symmetries spontaneously,

$$D_m Q = \left(\partial_m + iqg\left(a_m + \frac{f}{2}\epsilon_{mn}x_n\right)\right)Q, \quad \langle A_m \rangle = \frac{f}{2}\epsilon_{mn}x_n$$

Translational symmetries now nonlinearly realized with Wilson lines as Goldstone bosons,

$$\delta Q = \epsilon^m \partial_m Q \,, \quad \delta a_n = \epsilon^m \frac{f}{2} \epsilon_{nm}$$

[Veneziano: IUVC ?] More realistic case under investigation ...

## 6d SO(10) F-theory vacua

WB, Dierigl, Oehlmann, Ruehle 1709.xxxxx

Start from K3 manifold, torus (in Weierstrass form) fibered over base  $\mathbb{P}^1$ ,

$$F = -y^2 + x^3 + fx + g = 0$$

with dependence on base coordinates  $z_0, d_i(z_0, z_1)$ ,

$$f = z_0^2 \left( -\frac{1}{3} d_5^2 d_7^2 + z_0 R_1 + \mathcal{O}(z_0^2) \right),$$
$$g = z_0^3 \left( -\frac{2}{27} d_5^3 d_7^3 + z_0 R_2 + \mathcal{O}(z_0^2) \right),$$

torus is singular at point (x, y) if discriminant vanishes,

$$F = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 0,$$
$$\Delta = 4f^3 + 27g^2 = 0$$

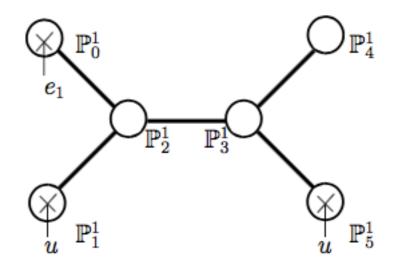
Kodaira classification: order of singularity determines non-Abelian gauge group,  $Ord(f, g, \Delta) = (2, 3, 7)$  yields SO(10):

$$\Delta = z_0^7 (P + z_0 R + \mathcal{O}(z_0^2)),$$
  
$$P = -d_5^3 d_7^3 (d_3 d_5 - d_1 d_7)^2 d_9^2$$

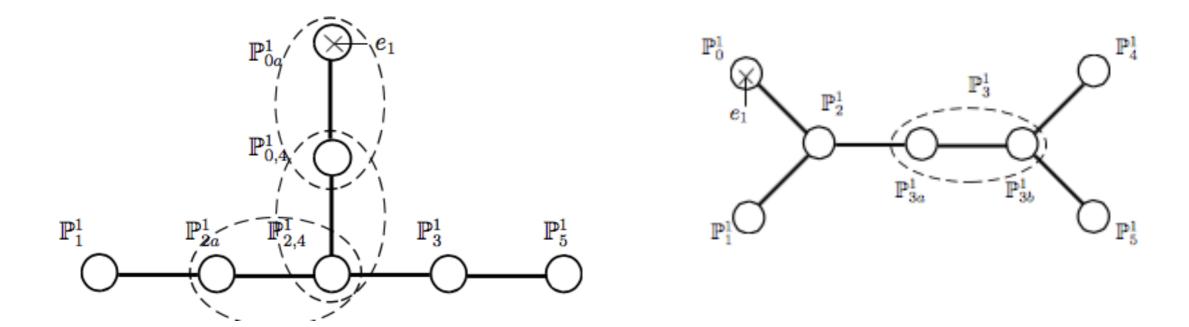
Vanishing of P at some points of basis leads to stronger singularities, and therefore larger symmetries, at these points:

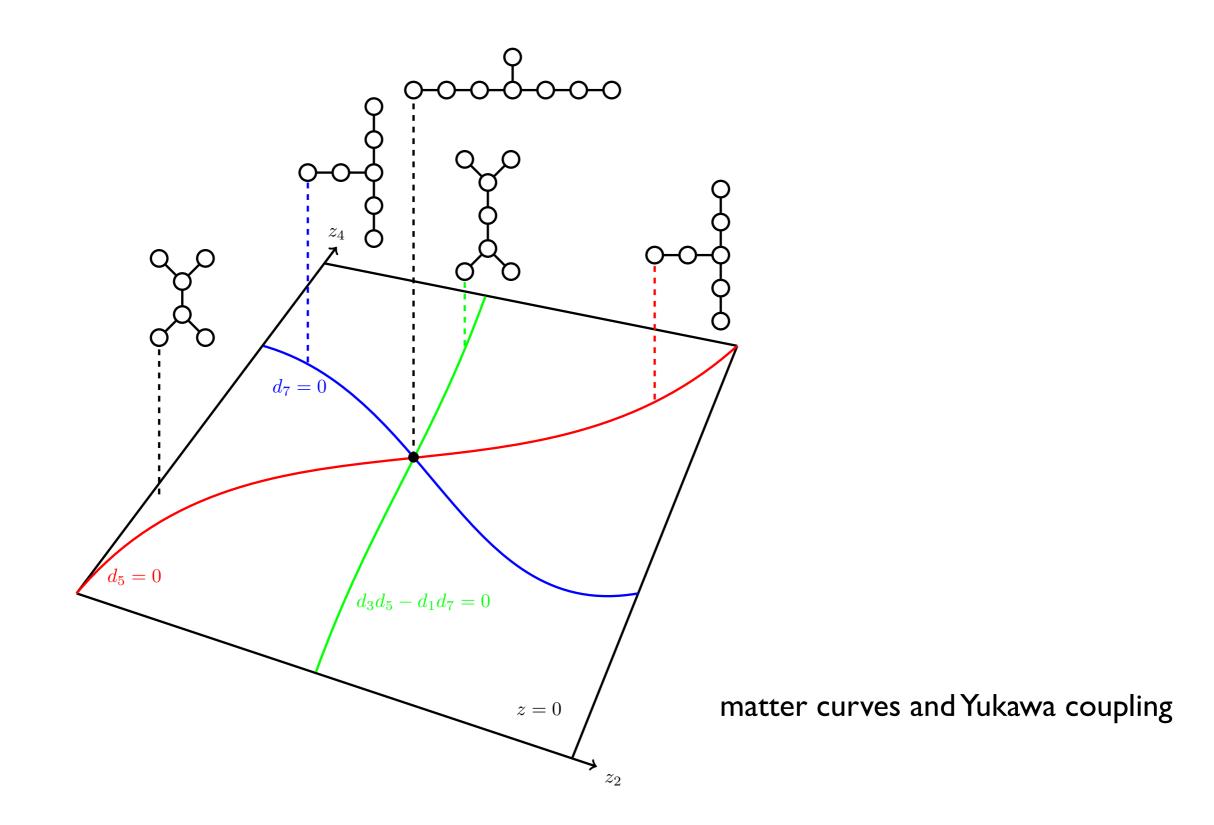
locus	$\operatorname{Ord}(f,g,\Delta)$	fiber singularity
$z_0 = 0$	(2,3,7)	SO(10)
$z_0 = d_9 = 0$	(2,3,8)	SO(12)
$z_0 = d_5 = 0$	(3,4,8)	$E_6$
$z_0 = d_7 = 0$	(3,4,8)	$E_6$
$z_0 = d_3 d_5 - d_1 d_7 = 0$	(2,3,8)	SO(12)

Intersection pattern at resolved SO(10) singularity:



Global GUT model building, starting from toric geometry [Morrison, Taylor, Schafer-Nameki, Weigand, Grimm, Palti, Cvetic, Klevers, Ruehle, Oehlmann, ... '12 ... ]; at enhanced symmetry points `coset matter' is generated, i.e. 16's and 10's:





Result: classification of all 6d SO(10) supergravity models in terms of elliptically fibered (toric) CY threefolds (full geometric determination of all model properties: gauge symmetry, matter representations, anomalies, ...)

# Conclusions

- Supersymmetric extensions of Standard Model strongly motivated, but what is the scale of SUSY breaking?
- Higher-dimensional GUT models with flux lead to GUT scale for SUSY breaking; emerging low energy spectrum reminiscent of `spread' SUSY (THDM + higgsino + ...)
- Flux and F-term breaking allows for moduli stabilization
- Effect of flux on quantum corrections? Fine-tuning of electroweak scale?
- Embedding of 6d SUGRA with SO(10)xU(1) symmetry into F-theory possible

# Backup Slides

representation	locus	multiplicity
$10_{3/2}$	$z = d_9 = 0$	2
$16_{3/4}$	$z = d_5 = 0$	0
$16_{-1/4}$	$z = d_7 = 0$	4
$10_{-1/2}$	$z = d_3 d_5 - d_1 d_7 = 0$	4
45	z = 0	0
$1_3$	$d_8 = d_9 = 0$	2
$1_2$	V(2)	36
$1_1$	V(3)	76
$1_{0}$	moduli	51 + 1
T	tensor	1