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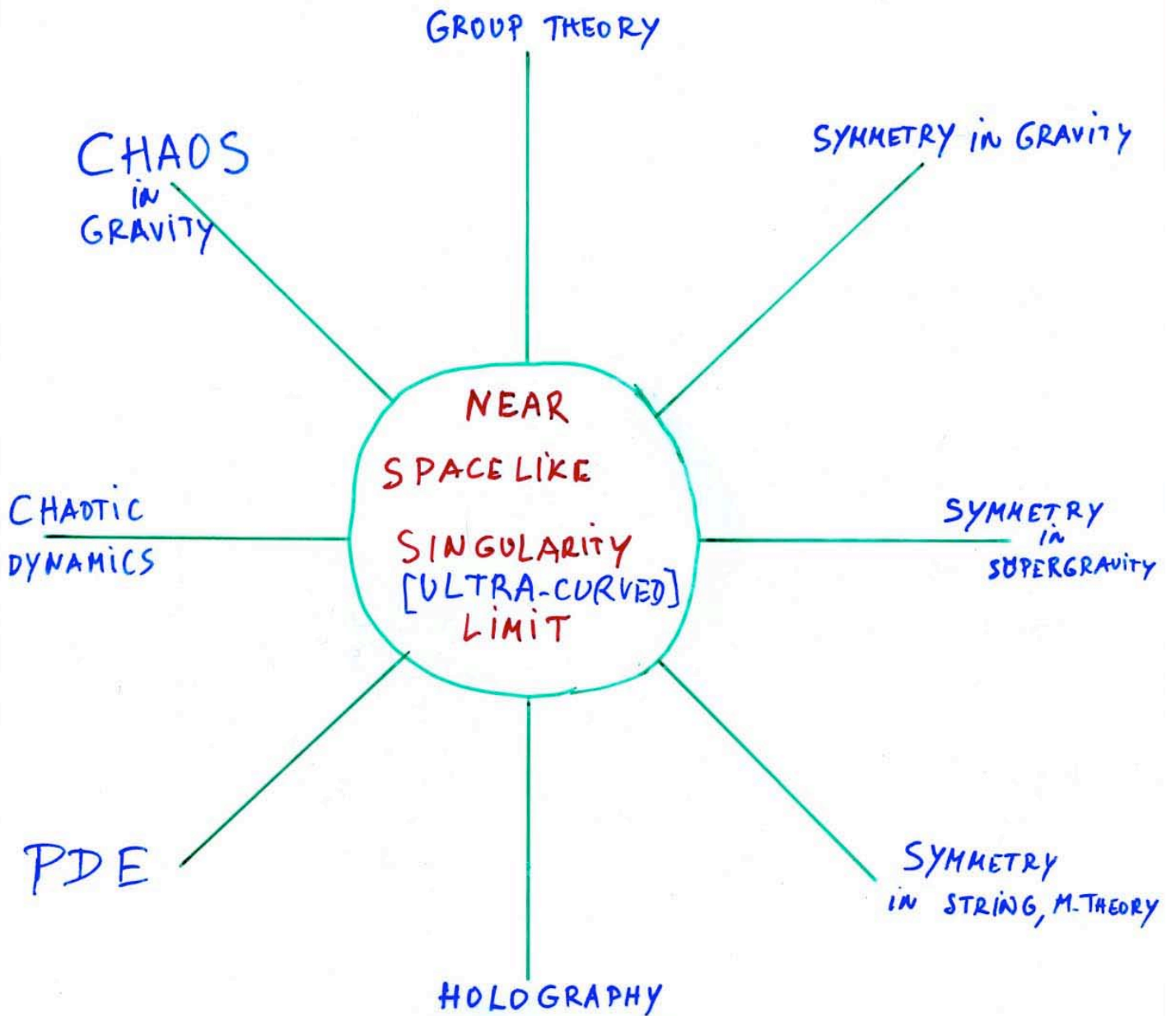
# DE-EMERGENCE OF SPACE

AT A BIG CRUNCH

Thibault Damour

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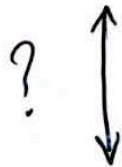
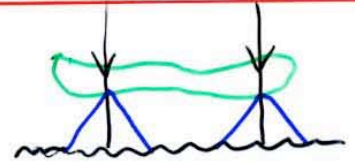
WORK WITH: HENNEAUX, NICOLAI, KLEINSCHMIDT, ...



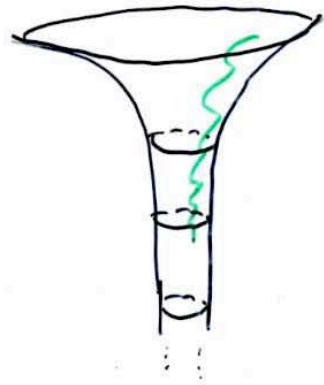
# COSMOLOGICAL SINGULARITIES

- NOT AS A MODEL OF THE EARLY UNIVERSE
- BUT AS A TOOL FOR PROBING THE STRUCTURE OF M-THEORY, AND, IN PARTICULAR, FOR SEARCHING FOR HIDDEN SYMMETRIES

NEAR SPACELIKE SINGULARITY LIMIT



NEAR HORIZON LIMIT



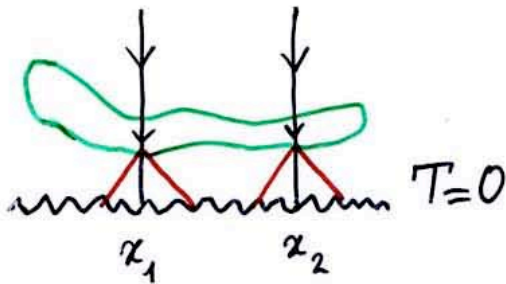
HOLOGRAPHIC CORRESPONDENCE

STRINGS ON  $AdS_5 \times S^5$   $\longleftrightarrow$   $CFT_4$

# NEAR SPACELIKE SINGULARITY LIMIT <sup>1</sup>

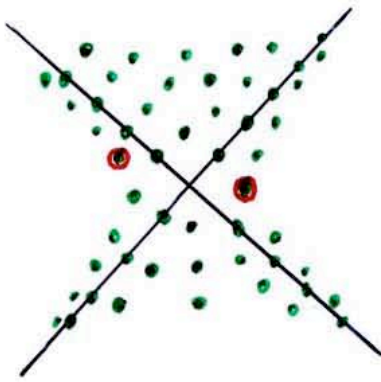
## AND A SUGRA<sub>11</sub> / [E<sub>10</sub>/K(E<sub>10</sub>)]<sub>1</sub>

### CORRESPONDENCE



GRADIENT EXPANSION (BKL)  
 (~ SMALL TENSION EXPANSION :  $\alpha' \rightarrow \infty$ )

$$\partial_{z_1}^{k_1} \partial_{z_2}^{k_2} \dots \partial_{z_{10}}^{k_{10}} \ll \partial_{\tau}^{k_1+k_2+\dots+k_{10}}$$



HEIGHT EXPANSION IN  
 KAC-MOODY ALGEBRA

ROOT :  $\alpha = n_0 \alpha_0 + n_1 \alpha_1 + \dots + n_9 \alpha_9$

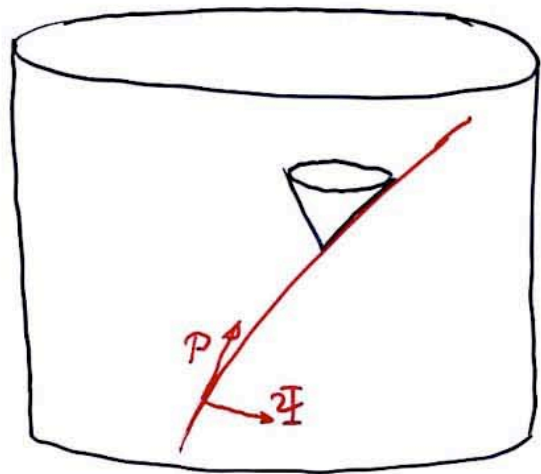
## CONJECTURED CORRESPONDENCE

SUGRA<sub>11</sub> (OR M-THEORY)

$$G_{\mu\nu}(t, \vec{x})$$

$$A_{\mu\nu\lambda}(t, \vec{x})$$

$$\psi_{\mu}(t, \vec{x})$$

MASSLESS SPINNING PARTICLE  
ON COSET  $E_{10}/K(E_{10})$ 

$$S_{11} = \int d^{11}x \left\{ \frac{E}{4} R(G) \right.$$

$$- \frac{E}{48} (dA_3)^2 + \frac{2}{(12)4} F_4 \wedge F_4 \wedge A_3$$

$$- \frac{i}{2} \bar{\psi}_{\mu} \Gamma^{\mu\nu\rho} D_{\nu} \psi_{\rho}$$

$$- \frac{i}{96} (\bar{\psi}_{\mu} \Gamma^{\mu\alpha\beta\gamma\delta\nu} \psi_{\nu} + 12 \bar{\psi}_{\mu} \Gamma^{\mu\alpha\beta\gamma} \psi^{\delta}) \gamma_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} + \dots \left. \right\}$$

+ LOOP CORRECTIONS



$$S_{\perp}^{\text{COSET}} = \int dt \left\{ \right.$$

$$\frac{1}{4m} \langle P(t) | P(t) \rangle$$

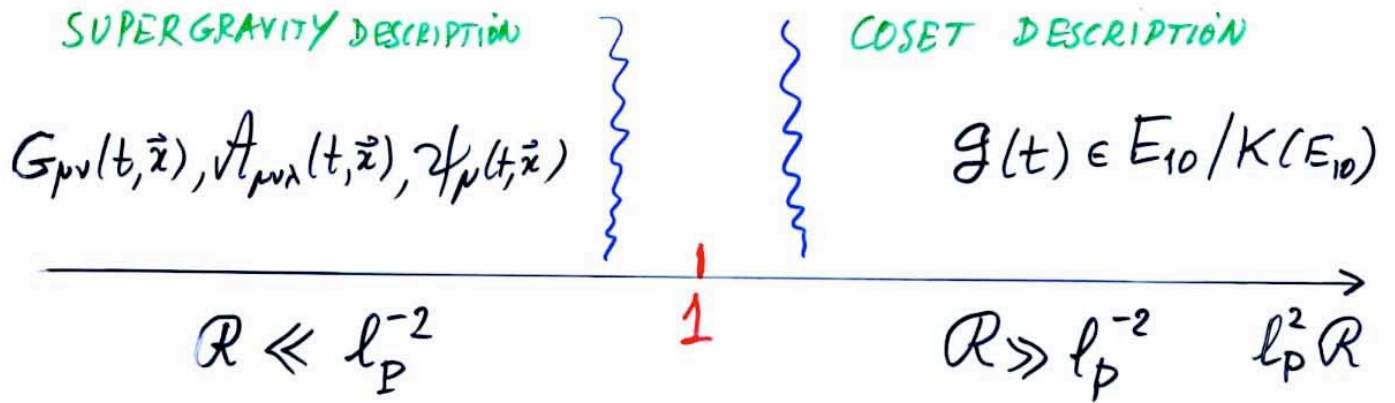
$$- \frac{i}{2} (\bar{\psi}(t) | \overset{\text{vs}}{D} \psi(t) )_{\text{vs}}$$

$$+ (\chi(t) | P(t) \otimes \psi(t) )_{\text{s}} \left. \right\}$$

T.D., Henneaux, Nicolai '02; T.D., Kleinschmidt, Nicolai '06; de Buyl, Henneaux, Paulot '06

# BASIC IDEA

TWO 'DUAL' OR 'COMPLEMENTARY' DESCRIPTIONS



THE 'SINGULARITY' IS 'RESOLVED' BY THE EFFECTIVE 'DISAPPEARANCE' OF SPACE, AND THE REPLACEMENT OF DYNAMICAL FIELDS,  $g_{ij}(t, \vec{x}), A_{ijk}(t, \vec{x}), \dots$  BY A LIE-ALGEBRAIC VARIABLE  $g(t) \in E_{10}/K_{10}$

HOLOGRAPHIC  
OR  
PHOTOGRAPHIC  
(POLYAKOV)  
CORRESPONDENCE

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} g_{ij}(t, \vec{x}) \\ A_{ijk}(t, \vec{x}) \\ \psi_i(t, \vec{x}) \end{array} \right\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ g(t) = e^{h^a_b(t) K^b_a} e^{A_{abc}(t) E^{abc} + \frac{1}{2} \partial_a A_{bcd} \tilde{E}^{abcd} + \dots} \right.$$

# KAC-MOODY ALGEBRAS

$SU(2)$   
 $\cong$   
 $A_1$   
 $\cong$   
 $SL(2)$

$$[J_z, J_+] = + J_+ \quad [J_z, J_-] = - J_-$$

↑ CARTAN GENERATOR (DIAGONAL)      ↑ RAISING GENERATOR      ↑ CARTAN GENERATOR      ↑ LOWERING GENERATOR

CARTAN SUBALGEBRA : LINEAR SPACE  $\mathbb{R}^r$  <sup>RANK</sup>  
 $\mathfrak{h} = \{ \beta^a h_a ; a=1, \dots, r \}$   
 $[h', h''] = 0$   
 coordinates ↑ r independent Cartan generators  
 in Cartan space:  $h = \sum_a \beta^a h_a$

TRIANGULAR DECOMPOSITION:

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{n}^- \oplus \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathfrak{n}^+$$

↓ LOWERING GENERATORS  $F_\alpha$       ↑ CARTAN  $\mathfrak{h}$       ↓ RAISING GENERATORS  $E_\alpha$

$[h, E_\alpha^{(s)}] = \alpha(h) E_\alpha^{(s)}$

↑ CARTAN  $h = \sum_a \beta^a h_a$       ↑ RAISING GENERATOR(S)      ↑ DEGENERACY INDEX      ↑ ROOT  $\equiv$  EIGENVALUE OF  $ad_h$

$[E_\alpha^{(s)}, E_\beta^{(t)}] = c_{\alpha\beta}^{(st)} E_{\alpha+\beta}^{(s+t)}$   
 $[h, F_\alpha^{(s)}] = -\alpha(h) F_\alpha^{(s)}$

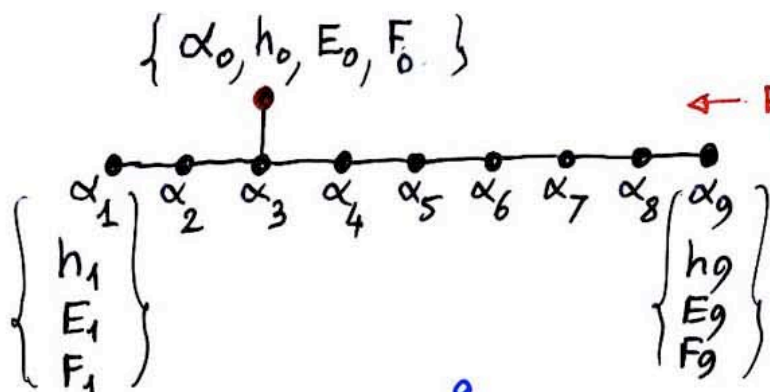
AS A LINEAR FORM OF  $h \in CSA$   
 $h = \beta^a h_a \rightarrow \alpha(h) = \alpha_a \beta^a \equiv \alpha(\beta)$   
 ↑ LOWERING GENERATORS :  $F_\alpha^{(s)} \equiv E_{-\alpha}^{(s)}$

+ JACOBI + SERRE RELATIONS

# E<sub>10</sub>

rank 10; dim h = 10 AND  $\exists$  10 basic raising gators  $E_{\alpha_i}$

10 SIMPLE ROOTS



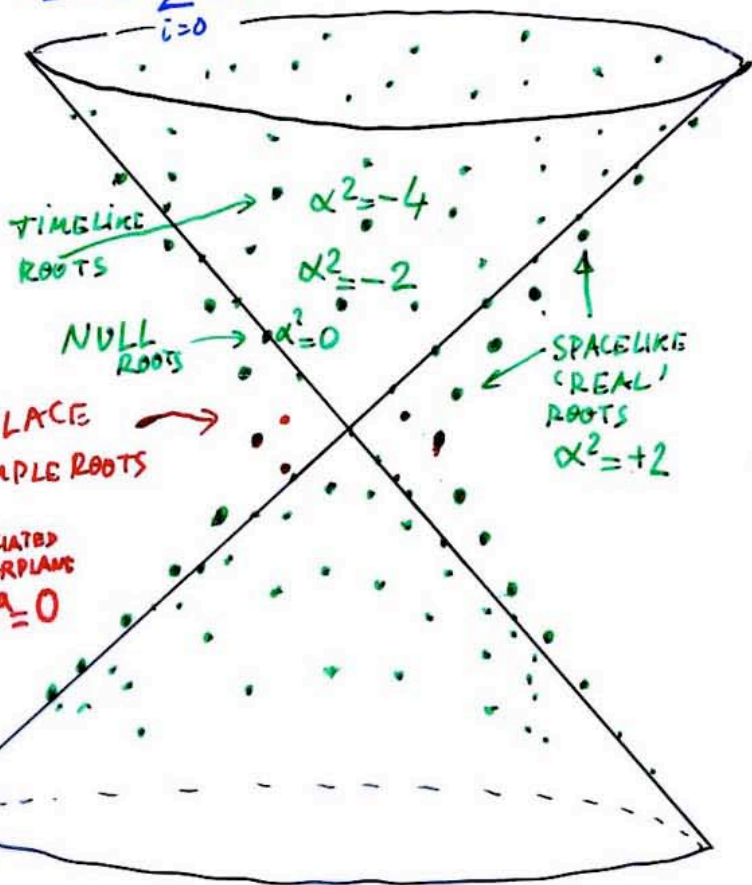
←  $E_0 = E^{123} \in E^{[abc]}$ ;  $F_0 = F_{123} \in F_{[abc]}$

← WITH  $h_0$  DEFINES  $GL_{10}$  SUBALGEBRA

$$\{\text{ALL ROOTS}\} = \underbrace{\left\{ \alpha = \sum_{i=1}^9 n_i \alpha_i; n_i \in \mathbb{N} \right\}}_{\text{POSITIVE ROOTS}} \cup \underbrace{\left\{ \alpha = -\sum_{i=1}^9 n_i \alpha_i; n_i \in \mathbb{N} \right\}}_{\text{NEGATIVE ROOTS}}$$

height  $ht[\alpha] = \sum_{i=1}^9 n_i$

10-dim  
Lorentzian  $\beta^a$ -SPACE  
 $\cong$  ROOT SPACE  
 $\alpha_a \leftrightarrow \alpha^a \equiv G^{ab} \alpha_b$

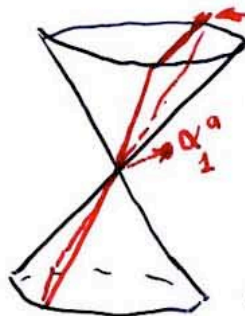


POSITIVE ROOTS

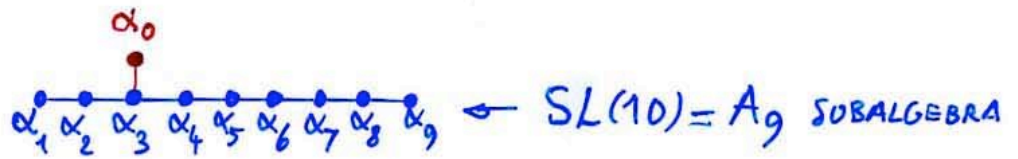
NEGATIVE ROOTS

NECKLACE OF 10 SIMPLE ROOTS

ASSOCIATED HYPERPLANE  
 $\alpha_a \beta^a = 0$



# DECOMPOSING $E_{10}$ WRT. $GL(10)$ SUBALGEBRA 4



"LEVEL"  $l$  :  $\alpha = l\alpha_0 + \sum_{j=1}^9 m_j \alpha_j$

$l=0$   $GL(10)$  GENERATORS  $K^a_b$   $[K^a_b, K^c_d] = \delta^c_b K^a_d - \delta^a_d K^c_b$

$l=\pm 1$   $E^{[a_1 a_2 a_3]}$ ,  $F_{[a_1 a_2 a_3]}$  3 INDICES

$l=\pm 2$   $E^{[a_1 \dots a_6]}$ ,  $F_{[a_1 \dots a_6]}$  6 INDICES

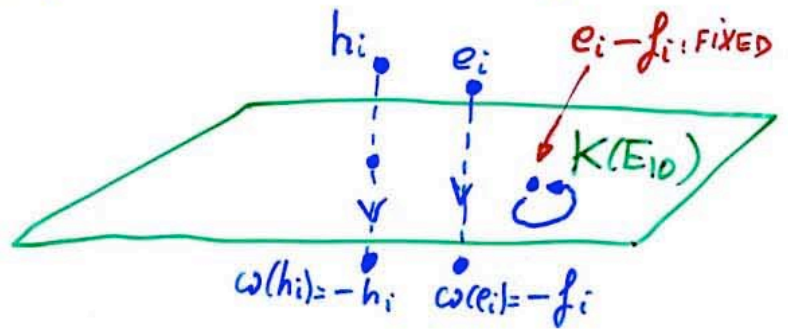
$l=\pm 3$   $E^{[a_0 | a_1 \dots a_8]}$ ,  $F_{[a_0 | a_1 \dots a_8]}$  9 INDICES

$l=\pm 4$   $\oplus$  12 INDICES

⋮

$K(E_{10})$ : MAXIMAL COMPACT SUBGROUP OF THE  
CANONICAL REAL FORM OF  $E_{10}$

FIXED SET OF  
CHEVALLEY INVOLUTION  $\omega$



$GL(10)$  DECOMPOSITION OF  $K(E_{10})$

$$J^{ab} = K^a_b - K^b_a : SO(10) \quad [J^{ab}, J^{cd}] = 4 \delta_{[c}^{[b} J_{d]}^a]$$

$$J^{a_1 a_2 a_3} = E^{a_1 a_2 a_3} - F_{a_1 a_2 a_3} \quad [J^{a_1 a_2 a_3}, J^{b_1 b_2 b_3}] = J^{a_1 a_2 a_3 b_1 b_2 b_3} - 18 \delta^{a_1 a_2 a_3 b_1 b_2} J^{a_3 b_3}$$

$$J^{a_1 a_2 \dots a_6} = E^{a_1 \dots a_6} - F_{a_1 \dots a_6} \quad [J^3, J^6] = J^9 + J^3$$

$$J^{a_0 a_1 \dots a_8} = E^{a_0 a_1 \dots a_8} - F_{a_0 a_1 \dots a_8} \quad [J^3, J^9] = J^{12} + J^6$$

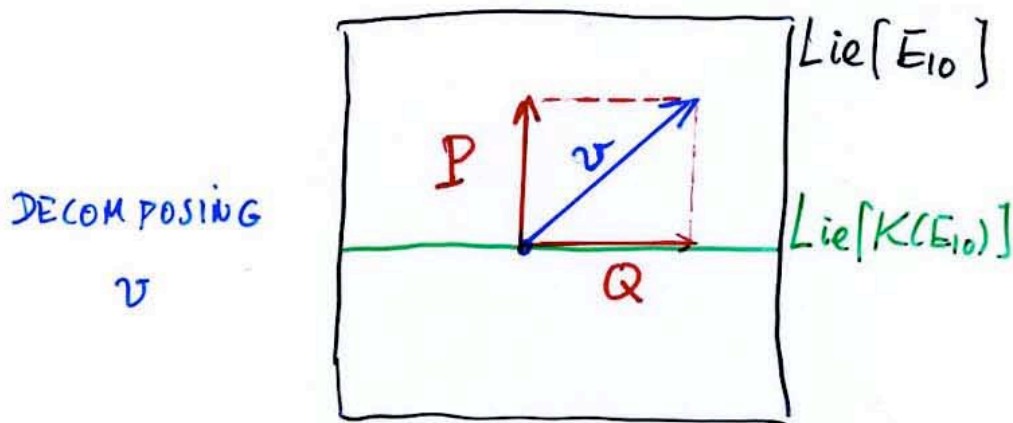
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# $D=1$ $E_{10}/K(E_{10})$ COSET MODEL

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GROUP ELEMENT  $g(t) \in E_{10}$

$\text{Lie}[E_{10}]$  'VELOCITY':  $v \equiv \frac{dg}{dt} g^{-1}$



$$v \equiv \underbrace{P}_{\text{Lie}(E_{10})} + \underbrace{Q}_{\text{Lie}(K(E_{10}))}$$

(VERTICAL)                      (HORIZONTAL)

# COSET ACTION

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## BOSONIC PART

$$S_{1 \text{ BOS}}^{\text{COSET}} = \int dt \frac{1}{4\pi} \langle P(t) | P(t) \rangle$$

'VERTICAL' PART OF VELOCITY  
 $v = \dot{g}g^{-1}$

UNIQUE INVARIANT QUADRATIC FORM OF  $\text{Lie}(E_{10})$

SIGNATURE:  $-++++++$  ;  $++++\dots$  ;  $-\dots$   
 CARTAN ;  $K(E_{10})^\perp$  ;  ~~$K(E_{10})$~~

SYMMETRY :  $g(t) \rightarrow k(t) g(t) g_0$   
 LOCAL  $K(E_{10})$  ; GLOBAL  $E_{10}$

$P(t) \rightarrow k(t) P(t) k(t)^{-1}$

$Q(t) \rightarrow k(t) Q(t) k^{-1}(t) + \partial_t k k^{-1}$

HORIZONTAL VELOCITY:  $\uparrow K(E_{10})$  CONNECTION

## FERMIONIC PART


$$S_{1 \text{ FERM}}^{\text{COSET}} = -\frac{i}{2} \int dt (\Psi(t) | \overset{\text{vs}}{\mathbb{D}} \Psi(t) )_{\text{vs}} + \int dt (\chi(t) | P(t) \circ \Psi(t) )_s$$


'VECTOR-SPINOR REPRES. OF  $K(E_{10})$ ':  $\Psi = (\psi_a, \dots)$


# EXPLICIT PARAMETRIZATION OF $E_{10}/K(E_{10})$ <sup>8</sup>

$$g(t) = e^{h_b^a(t) K_a^b} e^{\frac{1}{3!} A_{a_1 a_2 a_3}(t) E^{a_1 a_2 a_3} + \frac{1}{6!} A_{a_1 \dots a_6} E^{a_1 \dots a_6} + \frac{1}{9!} A_{a_0 | a_1 \dots a_8} E^{a_0 | a_1 \dots a_8} + \dots}$$

$\uparrow$   
 $GL(10): K_a^b$   
 $\downarrow h_b^a$   
 $g_{ab}(t) = (e^h)_c^a (e^h)^b_c$

$\uparrow$   
 $A_{a_1 a_2 a_3}$  

$A_{a_1 \dots a_6}$  

$A_{a_0 | a_1 \dots a_8}$  

+ ...

indices raised by  $g^{ab}$

$$\int_1^{E_{10}/K(E_{10})} = \int \frac{dt}{m(t)} \left[ \frac{1}{4} (g^{ac} g^{bd} - g^{ab} g^{cd}) \dot{g}_{ab} \dot{g}_{cd} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3!} \dot{A}_{a_1 a_2 a_3} \dot{A}^{a_1 a_2 a_3} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 6!} D A_{a_1 \dots a_6} D A^{a_1 \dots a_6} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 9!} D A_{a_0 | a_1 \dots a_8} D A^{a_0 | a_1 \dots a_8} + \dots \right]$$

$$D A_{a_1 \dots a_6} = \dot{A}_{a_1 \dots a_6} + 10 A_{[a_1 \dots a_3} \dot{A}_{a_4 \dots a_6]}$$

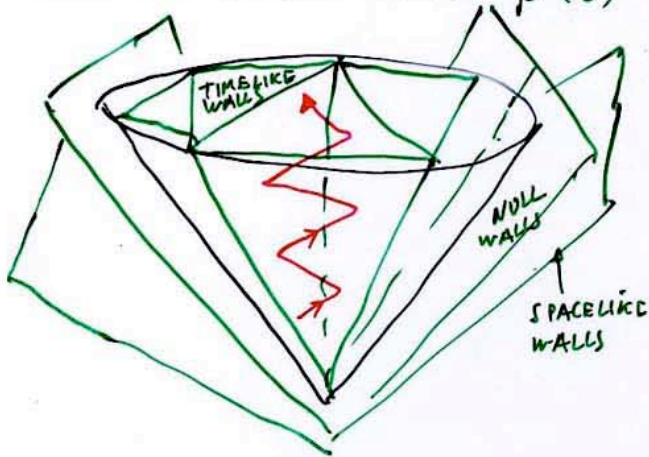
$$D A_{a_0 | a_1 \dots a_8} = \dot{A}_{a_0 | a_1 \dots a_8} + 42 A_{\langle a_1 \dots a_3} \dot{A}_{a_4 \dots a_8 \rangle} - 42 \dot{A}_{\langle a_1 \dots a_3} A_{a_4 \dots a_8 \rangle} \\ + 280 A_{\langle a_1 \dots a_3} A_{a_4 \dots a_6} \dot{A}_{a_7 \dots a_8 \rangle}$$

$\langle \dots \rangle =$  projection on Young 

CORRESPONDENCE  $E_{10}/K(E_{10})$  COSET  $\leftrightarrow$  SUGRA<sub>11</sub>

$$\mathcal{L}_{E_{10}} \sim (g^{-1}\dot{g})^2 + (\dot{A}_3)^2 + (\dot{A}_6 + A_3 \dot{A}_3)^2 + (\dot{A}_9 + A_6 \dot{A}_3 + A_3 A_3 \dot{A}_2)^2 + \dots$$

BILLIARD WITH INFINITE NUMBER OF EXPONENTIAL WALLS FOR CARTAN ELEMENT  $\beta^i(t)$



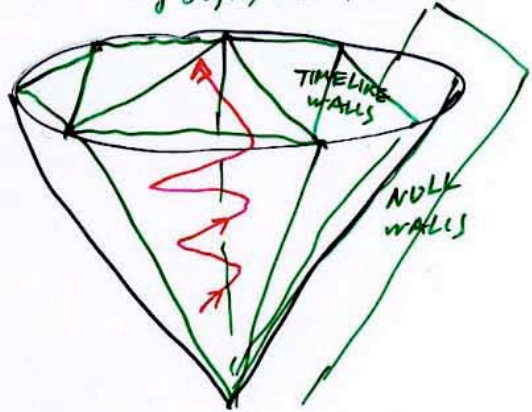
$$\mathcal{H}_1 = \frac{1}{2} G^{\mu\nu} \pi_\mu \pi_\nu + \sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha}(q, p) e^{-2\alpha(\beta)}$$

$$\alpha(\beta) = \sum_i m_i \alpha_i(\beta) \quad \uparrow \quad m_i \in \mathbb{N} \quad \text{SIMPLE ROOTS}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{SUGRA_{11}} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-G} \left[ R(G) - \frac{(dA_3)^2}{48} \right] + \frac{1}{(12)^4} F_4 \wedge F_4 \wedge A_3$$

$F_4 = dA_3$

BILLIARD WITH LARGE BUT FINITE # OF EXPONENTIAL WALLS FOR  $\beta^a(t, x)$ , DIAGONAL PART OF  $G_{ij}(t, x)$  IN IWASAWA DECOMP.



$$\mathcal{H}_A = \frac{1}{2} G^{\mu\nu} \pi_\mu \pi_\nu + \sum_A c_A(Q, P, \alpha, \beta, \alpha, \beta, \alpha, \beta) e^{-2\omega_A(\beta)}$$

$$\omega_A(\beta) = \sum_i m_i \omega_i(\beta) \quad \uparrow \quad \text{DOMINANT WALLS}$$

DICTIONARY

$$g^{ab}(t) = (e^h)_c^a (e^h)_c^b = G^{ab}(t, \vec{x}_0) \quad \text{WRT A SPECIAL FRAME}$$

$$\dot{A}_{q_1 q_2 q_3}(t) = F_{0 q_1 q_2 q_3}(t, \vec{x}_0) \quad \theta^q(x) = e^{q(x) dx^i}$$

$$DA^{q_1 \dots q_6}(t) = g^{q_1 a_1} \dots g^{q_6 a_6} [\dot{A}_{a_1 \dots a_6} + 10 A_{[3} \dot{A}_{3]}] = -\frac{1}{4!} \epsilon^{q_1 \dots q_6 b_1 \dots b_4} F_{b_1 \dots b_4}(t, \vec{x}_0)$$

$$DA^{b_1 \dots b_4 q}(t) = g^{q a} [\dot{A}_a + 42 A_3 \dot{A}_6 + 280 A_3 A_3 \dot{A}_3] = +\frac{3}{2} \epsilon^{q_1 \dots q_8 b_1 b_2} C^{b_1 b_2}_{b_1 b_2}(\vec{x}_0)$$

$\uparrow$   
 $d\theta^q = \frac{1}{2} C^q_{bc} \theta^b \wedge \theta^c$

THE CORRESPONDENCE WORKS FOR ALL TERMS OF HEIGHT  $\leq 29$

$$\sum_i m_i \leq 29 \qquad \sum_i m_i \leq 29$$

# HIGHER-ORDER M-THEORY CORRECTIONS AND $E_{10}$

(Damour, Nicolai, 2005)

$$S_M = \int \frac{d^{11}z}{l_P^9} \sqrt{-G} \left[ \underbrace{R - F^2}_{\text{TWO DERIVATIVES } g \partial^2 g} + A F F \right] + \text{HIGHER-ORDER CORRECTIONS}$$

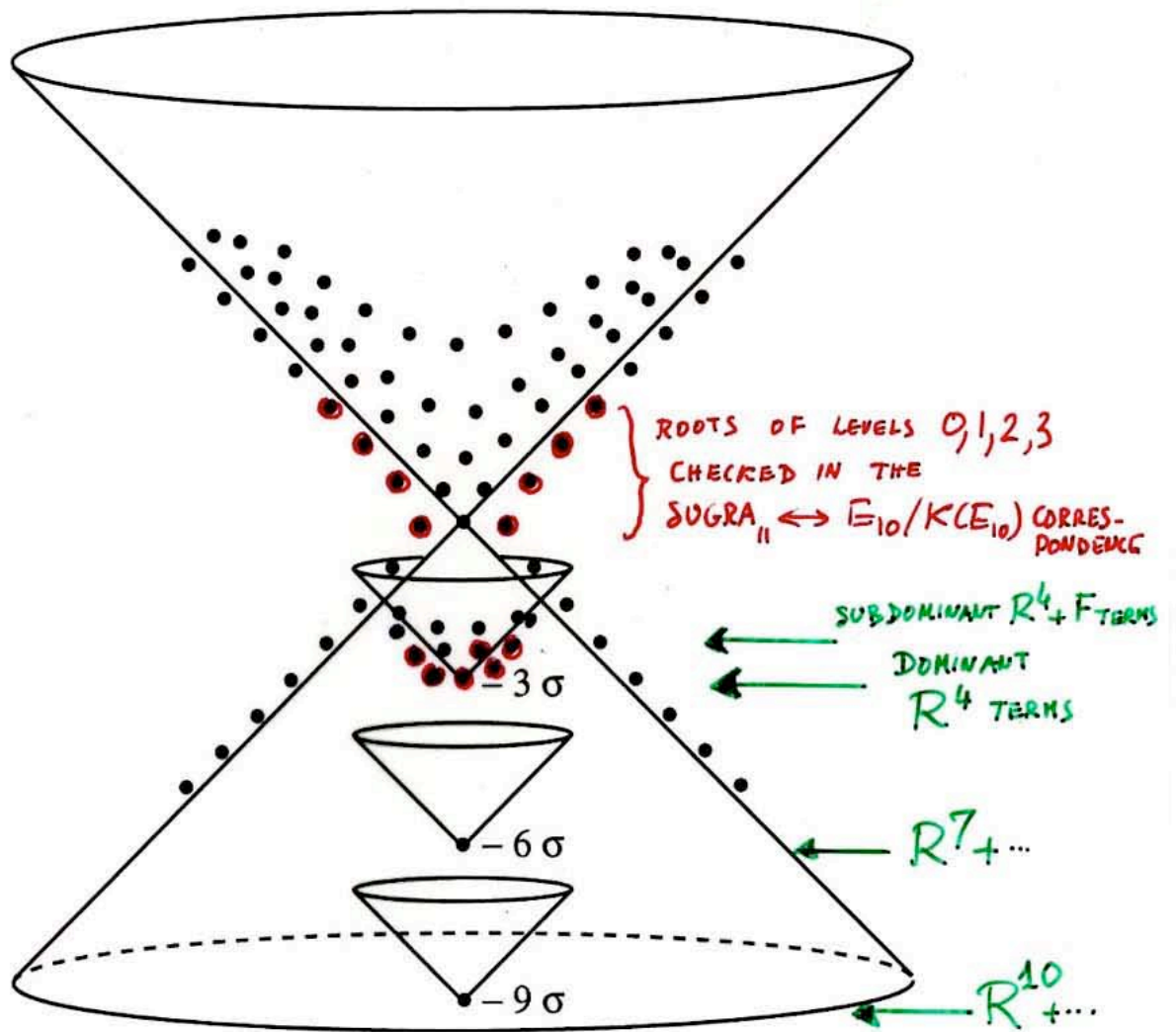
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- ONE STRING-LOOP CORRECTIONS TO  $\sqrt{IIA}$  AMPLITUDES  $\xrightarrow{D=10}$  Green Schwarz '82, Sakai, Tanii '87
  - DIVERGENCES IN D=11 SUGRA Deser, Seminara '99, '00
  - M-THEORY LOOPS Green Vanhove '97, Green Gutperle Vanhove
  - ANOMALY IN 5-BRANE Duff, Liu, Minasian '95, '97  
+ Tseytlin '00, Peeters, Vanhove, Westenberg '01

$$S_1 = \frac{1}{l_P^9} \int d^{11}z \sqrt{-G} \left[ \begin{aligned} & t_8 t_8 R^4 - \frac{1}{4} \epsilon_8 \epsilon_8 R^4 \leftarrow \text{EXPECTED FROM ONE-LOOP (IIA) LIGHT-CONE 4-PT AMPLITUDES} \\ & + \frac{2}{4} \epsilon_8 \epsilon_8 R^4 \leftarrow \text{CHANGES THE SIGN OF } \bar{E}_8 \\ & - 4 \epsilon_{11} A_3 \left[ \text{tr} R^4 - \frac{1}{4} (\text{tr} R^2)^2 \right] \leftarrow \text{CHERN-SIMONS-TYPE} \\ & + \underbrace{R^2 (\mathbb{D}F)^2 + R (\mathbb{D}F)^3 + (\mathbb{D}F)^4 + \dots}_{\text{NOT KNOWN IN NICE FORM}} + \underbrace{F^8}_{\text{NOT KNOWN}} \end{aligned} \right]$$

$$t_8 M^4 \equiv t_8 \overset{\text{ANTISYMMETRIC}}{M_{\mu_1 \mu_2} M_{\mu_3 \mu_4} M_{\mu_5 \mu_6} M_{\mu_7 \mu_8}} \equiv 24 \text{tr} M^4 - 6 (\text{tr} M^2)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_8 \epsilon_8 R^4 &\equiv \sum_{\mu_1 \mu_2 \mu_3 \mu_4 \mu_5 \mu_6 \mu_7 \mu_8} \epsilon^{\mu_1 \mu_2 \mu_3 \mu_4 \mu_5 \mu_6 \mu_7 \mu_8} R^{\mu_1 \mu_2} R^{\mu_3 \mu_4} R^{\mu_5 \mu_6} R^{\mu_7 \mu_8} \\ &\equiv \bar{E}_8 = \text{EULER-LOVELOCK DENSITY} \end{aligned}$$

# ROOTS OF $E_{10}$



SIGN OF  $\delta_{R^4} \mathcal{H} = -C e^{-2W_{R^4}(\beta)}$  14

$$C = C_1 + C_2$$

$\nearrow$   $t_8 t_8 R^4 - \frac{1}{4} \epsilon_8 \epsilon_8 R^4$        $\nwarrow$   $+\frac{2}{4} \epsilon_8 \epsilon_8 R^4$

$$C_1 = \sum_{a,b} v_a^2 v_b^2 (v_a \bar{v}_a + v_b \bar{v}_b - \bar{v}_a \bar{v}_b)^2 + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{a,b,c} v_a^2 v_b^2 v_c^2 (v_a + v_b + v_c)^2 \geq 0$$

AND  $O(1) \times (\sum_a v_a)^8$

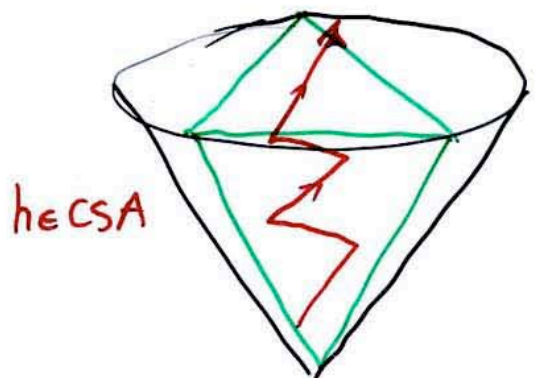
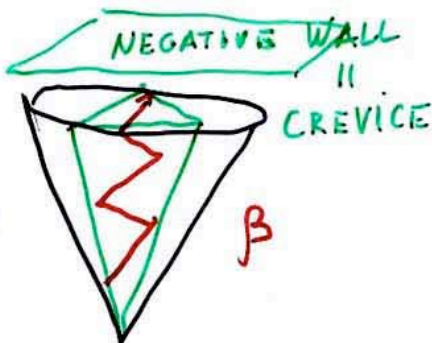
$$C_2 = -60 \sum_{a_1 < \dots < a_8} v_{a_1} v_{a_2} \dots v_{a_8} : -0.0138 \leq \frac{C_2}{(\sum_a v_a)^8} \leq 0.0391$$

PROBABLY  $C = C_1 + C_2 \geq 0$

NO-BOUNCE IN  
LOOP-CORRECTED SUGRA

OK  
↔

NO-BOUNCE  
IN COSET MODEL

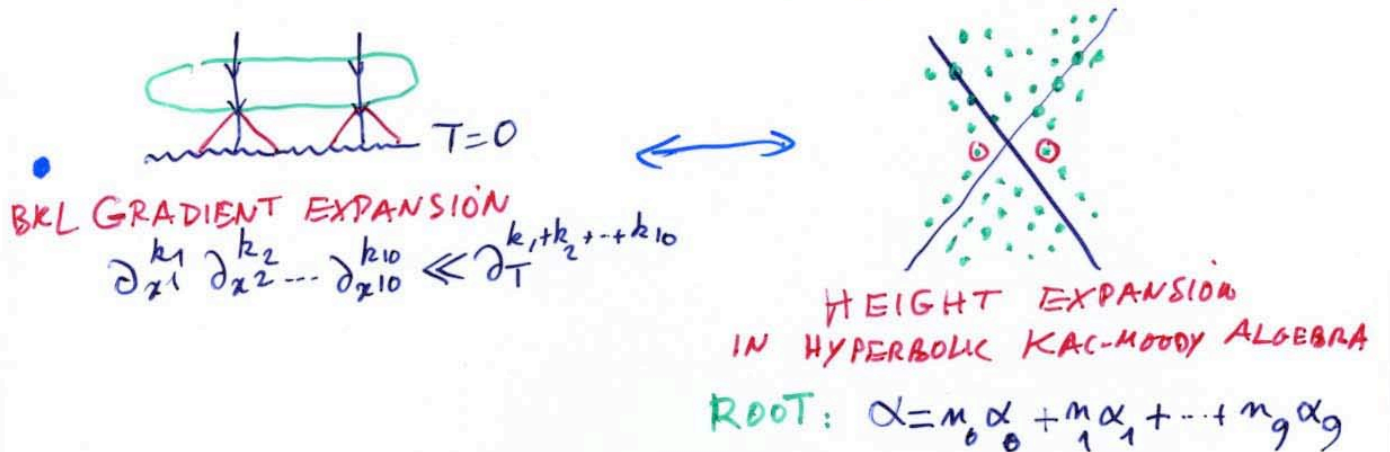


# ' $E_{10}$ PREDICTIONS' FOR HIGHER-LOOP CORRECTIONS IN M-THEORY

- ONLY  $R^4, R^7, R^{10}, \dots, R^{3k+1}, \dots$  ARE COMPATIBLE WITH  $E_{10}$  AMONG  $R^N$  TERMS  
[OK WITH Russo, Tseytlin '97]
- SIMILARLY ONLY  $R^{3k+1-n} (DF)^n$  IS OK WITH  $E_{10}$
- EACH  $R^{3k+1}$  CORRECTION MUST BE ASSOCIATED WITH A  $SL(10)$  SINGLET GENERATOR OF  $E_{10}$  AT LEVEL  $l = -10k$
- $E_{10}$  MIGHT ENCODE INFORMATION ABOUT THE ALGEBRAIC STRUCTURE OF LOOP CORRECTIONS

# CONCLUSIONS

- THE 'NEAR COSMOLOGICAL SINGULARITY LIMIT' SUGGESTS  $\exists$  HIDDEN  $E_{10}(\mathbb{R})$  SYMMETRY OF  $SUGRA_{11}$  (AND M-THEORY) [+  $AE_m(\mathbb{R})$  FOR  $GR_{m+1}$ ?]



- SUGGESTS  $\exists$  A 'HOLOGRAPHIC' (OR 'PHOTOGRAPHIC' (POLYAKOV)) CORRESPONDENCE
- GRAVITY IN  $D=11 \leftrightarrow D=1$  PARTICLE DYNAMICS ON  $(\infty\text{-DIM})$  COSET SPACE

- OPTIMISTICALLY

- BACKGROUND-INDEPENDENT FORMULATION OF (A SECTOR OF) M-THEORY
- ? NEW DESCRIPTION OF THE (QUANTUM) NATURE OF SPACE-(TIME) AT PLANCK SCALE VIA A 'DE-EMERGENCE' OF SPACE NEAR A SINGULARITY

'SPACE' I.E.  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} G_{\mu\nu}(t, x) \\ A_{\mu\nu}(t, x) \\ \psi_p(t, x) \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow$  INFINITE TOWER OF LIE-ALGEBRAIC VARIABLES  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} g(t) \in E_{10}/K(E_{10}) \\ \underline{\psi}(t) \end{array} \right\}$

# OPEN ISSUES

• HOW TO GO BEYOND HEIGHT 29 IN TESTING THE CONJECTURE

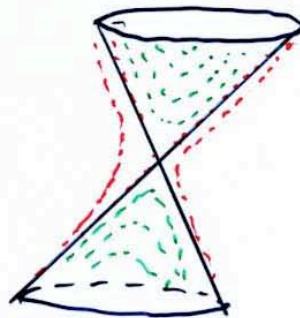
• FERMIONS: NICELY COMPATIBLE WHEN  $\partial_a \psi_i \rightarrow 0$ ; BEYOND?  
? FAITHFUL REPS OF  $K(E_{10})$ ?

• CONSTRAINTS: REMARKABLE SUGAWARA-LIKE STRUCTURE  
 $L^{(-m)} \sim J \otimes J$ ? VAST GENERALIZATION OF USUAL

SUGAWARA  $L_m \sim J_{\text{AFFINE}} \otimes J_{\text{AFFINE}}$  (Demour, Kleinschmidt, Nicolai '06)

?  $E_{10}$  COSET MODEL  $\stackrel{?}{=} \text{GAUGE-FIXED VERSION OF AN UNDERLYING GAUGE-INVARIANT ACTION}$

• ? INFINITE # OF CONSTRAINTS?  
WELCOME FOR



• QUANTIZED COSET ACTION

$$\rightarrow \square \psi(g) = 0$$

KLEIN-GORDON-(WITTEBERGER-DEWITT)-TYPE EQ. ON  $E_{10}(\mathbb{R})/K_{10}(\mathbb{R})$

• IF + TOROIDAL COMPACTIFICATION:  $E_{10}(\mathbb{Z})$  (Hull, Townsend 1995)

$\Rightarrow$  MODULAR FORM OVER  $E_{10}(\mathbb{Z}) \setminus E_{10}(\mathbb{R})/K_{10}(\mathbb{R})$

(Ganor '99, Brown, Ganor, Helfgott '04)

• ROLE OF  $E_{11}$ ? (West, ...), OR OF OTHER HYPERBOLIC KM (Harvey, Moore, ...)  
Verlinde, ...