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Abstract:

# Signatures of Mathieu Moonshine in $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -orbifold CFTs on K3

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'A twist in the M24 moonshine story'; arXiv:1303.3221

'Symmetry-surfing the moduli space of Kummer K3s'; arXiv:1303.2931

'The overarching finite symmetry group of Kummer surfaces in M24'; arXiv:1107.3834

## Outline

1. Margolin's  $V_{45}$  and the  $\mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes A_8$  action on it
2. Three slides to motivate our interest in  $\mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes A_8$
3. Why we restrict ourselves to geometric symmetries in  $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{T}/\mathbb{Z}_2$
4. Identification of the generic massive states in  $\tilde{R}\tilde{R}$  sector of  $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{T}/\mathbb{Z}_2$  at  $(h, Q; \bar{h}, \bar{Q}) = (\frac{5}{4}, 1; \frac{1}{4}, \bar{Q})$  using free fields
5. Action of geometric symmetries on the massive states obtained in (4) and emergence of  $V_{45}^{CFT}$
6. The  $\mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes A_8$  action on  $V_{45}^{CFT}$
7. Conclusions

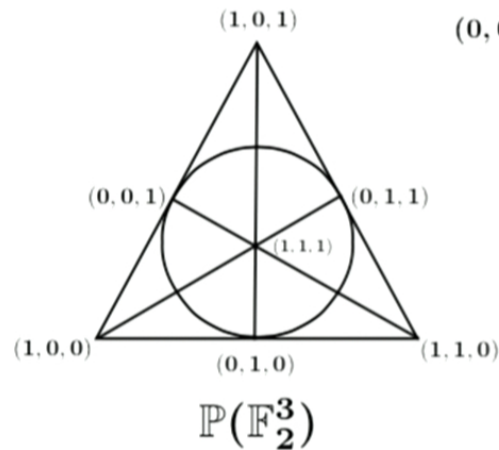
# I. Margolin's 45-dimensional space

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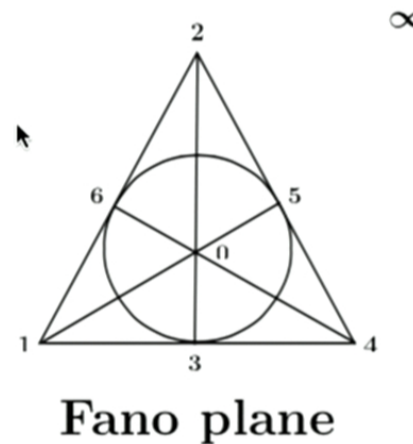
carries an irreducible 45d representation of  $M_{24}$

$\mathcal{V}_X \cong \mathbb{C}^3$  designed to carry a 3d irrep of  $GL_3(\mathbb{F}_2)$ ,  $X = A, B, \dots, O$

$\text{Aff}(V) = \mathbb{Z}_2^3 \rtimes GL_3(\mathbb{F}_2)$ ,  $V$  3d vector space over  $\mathbb{F}_2$



$(0, 0, 0)$



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## $\mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes A_8$ action on Margolin's 45-dimensional space

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Fano plane

	$c_0$	$c_1$	$c_2$	$c_3$	$c_4$	$c_5$	$c_6$
A	$\infty 0.15.23.46^0$	$\infty 1.05.26.34^1$	$\infty 2.03.16.45^2$	$\infty 3.02.14.56^3$	$\infty 4.06.13.25^4$	$\infty 5.01.24.36^5$	$\infty 6.04.12.35^6$
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$$\mathcal{B} = \langle P_A, P_B, \dots, P_O \rangle$$

$$V_{45} = \mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{B}$$

$A_8$  action on array by conjugation on rows  $\Rightarrow$  permutation of labels  
 A, B,...O  $\Rightarrow$  permutation of  $P_A, P_B, \dots, P_O$

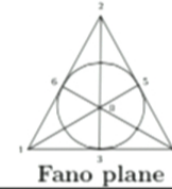
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3d irrep of  $GL_3(\mathbb{F}_2)$  constructed from a rank 3 lattice  $\Lambda_3^{b7}$

$$b_7 := \frac{1}{2}(-1 + \sqrt{-7})$$

root vectors of  $\Lambda_3^{b7}$



	0	1	2	3	4	5	6															
2	0	0	-1	$\bar{b}_7$	1	$-b_7$	1	-1	$\bar{b}_7$	1	1	$b_7$	$b_7$	0	$-b_7$	0	$b_7$	$-b_7$	1	-1	-1	$\bar{b}_7$
0	2	0	-1	$-b_7$	1	0	$b_7$	$b_7$	$\bar{b}_7$	-1	-1	1	-1	$\bar{b}_7$	1	$b_7$	1	$b_7$	1	$b_7$	- $b_7$	0
0	0	2	$b_7$	0	$b_7$	$\bar{b}_7$	1	-1	0	$b_7$	- $b_7$	1	-1	- $\bar{b}_7$	-1	$b_7$	-1	-1	1	1	1	$\bar{b}_7$

point frames

	023	134	245	356	460	501	612														
2	0	0	-1	$\bar{b}_7$	1	$-b_7$	1	-1	$\bar{b}_7$	1	1	$b_7$	$b_7$	0	$-b_7$	0	$b_7$	-1	-1	-1	$\bar{b}_7$
0	$b_7$	$b_7$	$\bar{b}_7$	-1	-1	1	-1	$\bar{b}_7$	1	$\bar{b}_7$	1	$b_7$	- $b_7$	0	0	2	0	-1	- $\bar{b}_7$	1	1
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line frames

- induced  $A_8$  action on fibres:  $\tau \in A_8, \tau X \tau^{-1} = Y \Rightarrow \mathcal{V}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{V}_Y$
- TWIST: when induced maps between Fano planes associated with permuted rows are not all identical ( $\tau$  fixed)
- For any fixed labelling of the array compatible with the linear structure of the Fano planes  $\mathbb{P}_X(\mathbb{F}_2^3)$ , the group  $A_8$  acts with a twist on  $V_{45}$ , i.e. the  $A_8$  action does NOT factorize according to  $V_{45} = \mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{B}$

# $\mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes A_8$ action on Margolin's 45-dimensional space

Input: DVI - 1280x720p@60Hz  
Output: SDI - 1920x1080i@60Hz

$\mathbb{Z}_2^4$  action on  $\mathcal{B}$ : faithful

$\mathbb{Z}_2^4$  action on  $\mathcal{V}$ : trivial

conjugate by  $\sigma \in S_8 \setminus A_8$

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$\mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes A_8$  maximal in  $M_{24}$  and acts with a twist on  $V_{45}$

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(iii) $G_2 := G_X \cong \mathbb{Z}_2^4 \times S_3$	triangular lattice

### Generic symmetry group on Kummer surfaces

16 singular points :  $\vec{F}_{\vec{a}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^4 a_i \vec{\lambda}_i$ ,  $\vec{\lambda}_i$  generators of lattice  $\Lambda$ ;  $\vec{a} \in \mathbb{F}_2^4$

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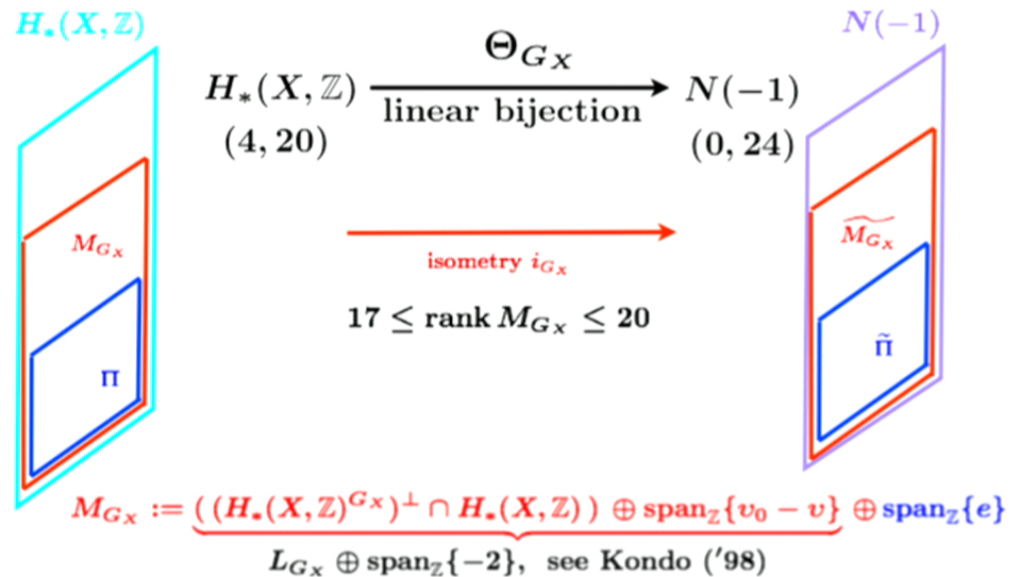
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## Surfing the moduli space of Kummer surfaces



Usually,  $\Theta_{G_X}$  depends on  $G_X$ . However

**A** Kummer tetrahedral:  $G_A \simeq (\mathbb{Z}_2)^4 \rtimes A_4$  acts on  $M_A$  of rank 20

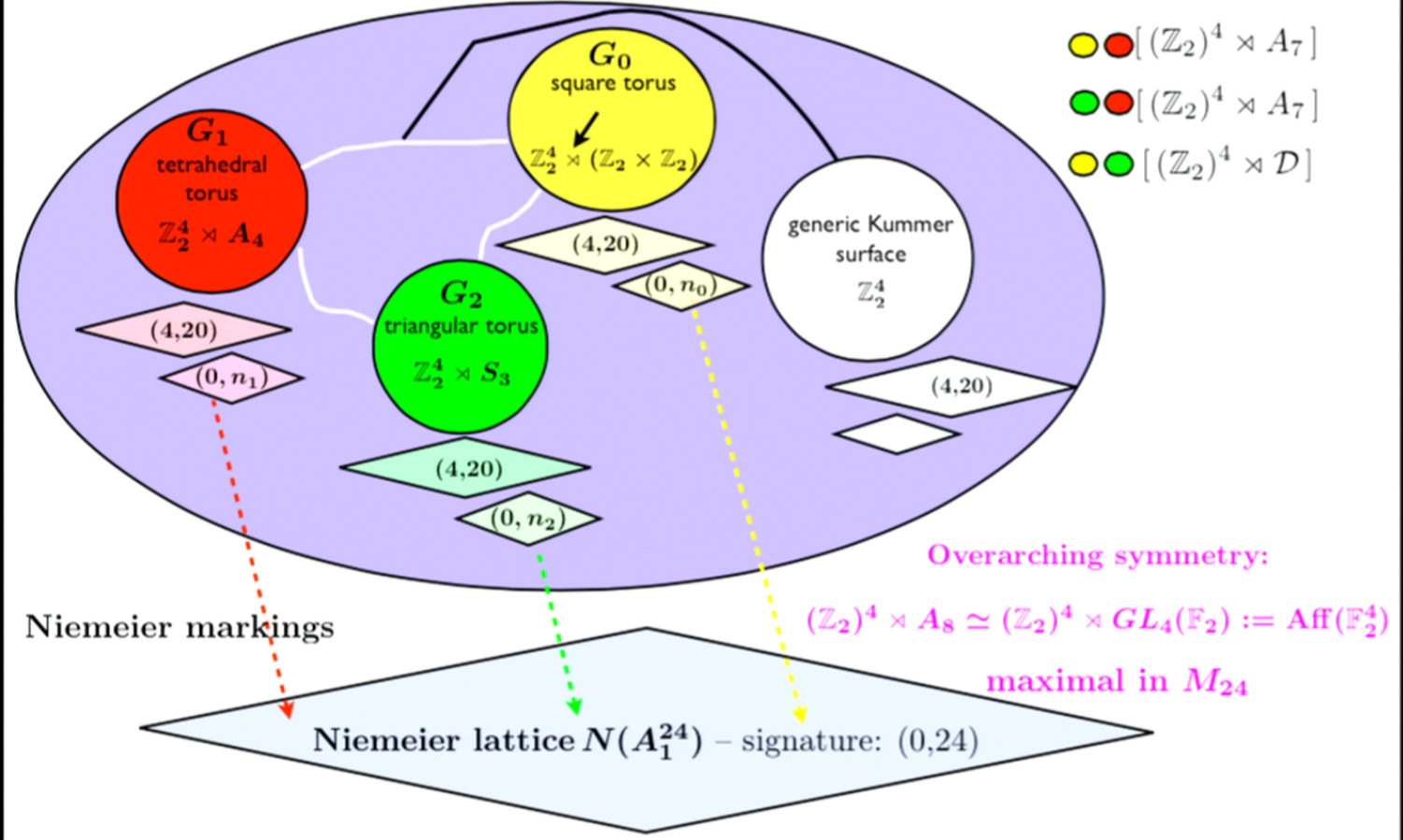
combined symmetry:  
 $\mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes A_7$

**B** Kummer square:  $G_B \simeq (\mathbb{Z}_2)^4 \rtimes (\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2)$  acts on  $M_B$  of rank 20

with  $\Theta_{G_A} = \Theta_{G_B} := \Theta_{AB}$  combining map for  $i_{G_A}$  and  $i_{G_B}$

The Niemeier lattice  $N$  is a device carrying both actions simultaneously, i.e. allowing a combined symmetry on  $N$

# $\mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes A_8$ as overarching symmetry



Kummer surface  $X = \widetilde{T}/\mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $T = \mathbb{C}^2/\Lambda$  9

Interestingly...

The action of  $G_0, G_1$  and  $G_2$  on  $V_{45}$  factorizes according to  $V_{45} = \mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{B}$ , i.e. the maximal geometric symmetry groups of Kummer surfaces act without a twist on  $V_{45}$  (unlike  $\mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes A_8$ )

### 3. Why focus on geometric symmetries in $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{T}/\mathbb{Z}_2$ ?

$\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{T}/\mathbb{Z}_2$  on K3:  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -orbifold construction induced by the Kummer construction for K3 surfaces

- Fix a preferred  $N=(2,2)$  within  $N=(4,4)$  - fix a  $U(1)_L$  and a  $U(1)_R$  current
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#### 4. Identification of generic massive states in $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{T}/\mathbb{Z}_2$ on K3

Identify states in the  $\tilde{R}\tilde{R}$  sector of partition function with  $(h, Q; \bar{h}, \bar{Q}) = (\frac{5}{4}, 1; \frac{1}{4}, \bar{Q})$  using free fields

- 2 complex currents and conjugates  $j_{\pm}^1 \sim j^1 \pm ij^2, j_{\pm}^2 \sim j^3 \pm ij^4$   
odd under  $\mathbb{Z}_2$
- 2 Dirac fermions and conjugates  $\chi_{\pm}^1, \chi_{\pm}^2$   
odd under  $\mathbb{Z}_2$
- N=4, c=6 SCA:  $T \sim jj + \partial\chi\chi, G^{\pm}, G'^{\pm} \sim \chi j, J^{\pm}, J^3 \sim \chi\chi,$   

$\uparrow$   
conformal weight  $h$

$\uparrow$   
charge  $Q$

- $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -orbifold partition function:

$$Z_{\text{untwisted}}^{\tilde{R}\tilde{R}}(\tau, z; \bar{\tau}, \bar{z}) = \frac{1}{2|\eta(\tau)|^8} \left( 1 + \sum_{\substack{(p_L; p_R) \in \Gamma, \\ (p_L; p_R) \neq (0; 0)}} q^{\frac{p_L^2}{2}} \bar{q}^{\frac{p_R^2}{2}} \right) \left| \frac{\vartheta_1(\tau, z)}{\eta(\tau)} \right|^4 + 8 \left| \frac{\vartheta_2(\tau, z)}{\vartheta_2(\tau)} \right|^4$$

$$Z_{\text{twisted}}^{\tilde{R}\tilde{R}}(\tau, z; \bar{\tau}, \bar{z}) = 8 \left| \frac{\vartheta_3(\tau, z)}{\vartheta_3(\tau)} \right|^4 + 8 \left| \frac{\vartheta_4(\tau, z)}{\vartheta_4(\tau)} \right|^4$$

$$Z_{\text{orb}}^{\tilde{R}\tilde{R}}(\tau, z; \bar{\tau}, \bar{z}) = Z_{\text{untwisted}}^{\tilde{R}\tilde{R}}(\tau, z; \bar{\tau}, \bar{z}) + Z_{\text{twisted}}^{\tilde{R}\tilde{R}}(\tau, z; \bar{\tau}, \bar{z})$$

- K3 elliptic genus:

$$Z_{K3}(\tau, z) := Z_{\text{orb}}^{\tilde{R}\tilde{R}}(\tau, z; \bar{\tau}, \bar{z} = 0)$$

$$q = e^{2i\pi\tau}, \quad y := e^{2i\pi z}$$

$$= 24 ch_0^{\tilde{R}}(q, y) + 2\{(-1 + 45q + 231q^2 + \dots)\} \tilde{ch}^{\tilde{R}}(q, y)$$

↑

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 $-y - y^{-1} + 2 + q(\dots) + \dots$



counting the states with  $(h, Q; \bar{h}, \bar{Q}) = (\frac{5}{4}, 1; \frac{1}{4}, \bar{Q})$   
from orbifold partition function

• untwisted sector:

$a_1^K \chi_0^1 \chi_0^2 \bar{\chi}_0^\ell \sigma$	$\chi_1^k \chi_0^\ell \sigma$	$\chi_1^k \chi_0^\ell \bar{\chi}_0^1 \bar{\chi}_0^2 \sigma$
$K = 1, \dots, 4, \ell = 1, 2$	$k, \ell = 1, 2$	
8 massless fermions	1 massless boson 3 massive bosons	1 massless boson 3 massive bosons

• twisted sector:  $a_{\frac{1}{2}}^K \chi_{\frac{1}{2}}^\ell T_{\vec{a}}$ ,  $K = 1, \dots, 4, \ell = 1, 2, \vec{a} \in \mathbb{F}_2^4, 4 \times 2 \times 16 = 128$  states

96 massive fermionic twisted states

$\{WT_{\vec{a}} \mid W \in \mathbf{3} \cup \bar{\mathbf{3}}, \vec{a} \in \mathbb{F}_2^4\}$  where

$\mathbf{3} := \{\chi^1 j_+^2 + \chi^2 j_+^1, \chi^1 j_+^1, \chi^2 j_+^2\}, \bar{\mathbf{3}} := \{\chi^1 j_-^1 - \chi^2 j_-^2, \chi^1 j_-^2, \chi^2 j_-^1\},$

net number of massive states:  $96 - 6 = 90$

## 4. Action of geometric symmetries on states

$$G_X = \mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes G_T, \quad G_T \subset SO(3), \text{ X Kummer}$$

- $G_X$  acts on  $T_{\bar{a}}$  as a permutation group through affine linear maps on  $\mathbb{F}_2^4$ ;  $R_{G_X} : G_X \rightarrow \text{Aff}(\mathbb{F}_2^4) := \mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes GL_4(\mathbb{F}_2)$
- $G_X$  acts linearly as subgroup of  $SO(3)$  on  $\mathbf{3}$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{3}}$

$$\widehat{\mathbf{96}} = (\langle \mathbf{3} \rangle \oplus \langle \bar{\mathbf{3}} \rangle) \otimes \langle T_{\bar{a}} \rangle := (\langle \mathbf{3} \rangle \oplus \langle \bar{\mathbf{3}} \rangle) \otimes \langle \mathbf{16} \rangle$$

tensor product of representation spaces  $\mathbf{3} \oplus \bar{\mathbf{3}}$  of  $SO(3)$   
and 16 of  $\text{Aff}(\mathbb{F}_2^4)$

decoupling of 6 dimensions: unique choice

$$\widehat{\mathbf{96}} = (\langle \mathbf{3} \rangle \oplus \langle \bar{\mathbf{3}} \rangle) \otimes \langle T_{\bar{a}} \rangle := (\langle \mathbf{3} \rangle \oplus \langle \bar{\mathbf{3}} \rangle) \otimes \langle \mathbf{16} \rangle$$



$$\widehat{\mathbf{96}} = (\langle \mathbf{3} \rangle \oplus \langle \bar{\mathbf{3}} \rangle) \otimes (\langle \mathcal{A} \rangle \oplus \langle N_{\bar{0}} \rangle) := (\langle \mathbf{3} \rangle \oplus \langle \bar{\mathbf{3}} \rangle) \otimes (\langle \mathbf{15} \rangle \oplus \langle \mathbf{1} \rangle)$$

$$\text{with } \mathcal{A} := \{A = \sum_{\bar{b} \in \mathbb{F}_2^4} c_{\bar{b}} T_{\bar{b}} \mid c_{\bar{b}} \in \mathbb{C}, A \perp N_{\bar{0}}, N_{\bar{0}} := \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\bar{b} \in \mathbb{F}_2^4} T_{\bar{b}}\}$$

90-dimensional vector space of massive states accounting for the leading massive contribution in  $\mathcal{E}_{K3}$ :

$$\widehat{\mathbf{90}} = [\langle \mathbf{3} \rangle \otimes \langle \mathcal{A} \rangle] \oplus [\langle \bar{\mathbf{3}} \rangle \otimes \langle \mathcal{A} \rangle] := V_{45}^{CFT} \oplus \bar{V}_{45}^{CFT}$$

with

$$V_{45}^{CFT} = \mathcal{W} \otimes \mathcal{A}, \quad \mathcal{W} \cong \{W N_{\bar{0}} \mid W \in \{\chi^1 j_+^2 + \chi^2 j_+^1, \chi^1 j_+^1, \chi^2 j_+^2\}\}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \swarrow & & \searrow \\ \mathbf{3} \text{ of } SO(3) & & \mathbf{15} \text{ of } Aff(\mathbb{F}_2^4) := \mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes GL_4(\mathbb{F}_2) \end{array}$$

## 5. $\mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes A_8$ action on $V_{45}^{CFT}$

1.  $V_{45}^{CFT}$  is a vector space that ‘collects’ the actions of geometric symmetry groups when surfing. The combined action of those groups generates the action of  $\text{Aff}(\mathbb{F}_2^4)$
2.  $\text{Aff}(\mathbb{F}_2^4) := \mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes GL_4(\mathbb{F}_2) \cong \mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes A_8$
3. The representation of  $\text{Aff}(\mathbb{F}_2^4)$  on the *base*  $\mathcal{A}$  of  $V_{45}^{CFT} = \mathcal{W} \otimes \mathcal{A}$  is equivalent to Margolin’s representation of  $\mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes A_8$  on the *base*  $\mathcal{B}$  of  $V_{45} = \mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{B}$
4.  $\mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes A_8$  acts with a twist on  $V_{45}$
5. Each maximal geometric symmetry groups of Kummer surfaces  $G_k = \mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes (G_T)_k, k = 1, 2, 3$  is such that the non-translational part  $(G_T)_0$  acts without a twist on  $V_{45}$
6. The action of  $G_k$  on  $V_{45}^{CFT}$ , which is induced by the symmetries of the states in  $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{T}/\mathbb{Z}_2$ , is equivalent to the action of  $G_k$  viewed as a subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes A_8$  in Margolin’s representation  $M : G_k \rightarrow \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(V_{45})$

The twist in Margolin’s representation is a manifestation of the geometric obstruction to accommodate larger geometric groups, in the framework of  $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{T}/\mathbb{Z}_2$  theories on K3. It is a manifestation of monodromy in the moduli space of SCFTs on K3.

## 6. Conclusions

1. We have provided a piece of evidence for Mathieu Moonshine explicitly from SCFTs on K3: the generic states accounting for the first order term in the massive sector of the elliptic genus of K3 in every  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -orbifold CFT on K3 are uniquely characterized by the fact that the action of every geometric symmetry group of a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -orbifold CFT yields a well-defined faithful representation on them.

Each such representation is obtained by restriction of the 45-dimensional representation of  $M_{24}$  constructed by Margolin.

2. In our quest to understand the action of  $M_{24}$  in the context of Mathieu Moonshine, we must ‘move away’ from Kummer surfaces, as our surfing methods, which were designed for dealing with that special class of K3 surfaces, provide the group  $\mathbb{Z}_2^4 \rtimes A_8$  as the largest possible overarching group by construction.

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