

E_{11} from a Supergravity Point of View

Eric Bergshoeff

E.A.Bergshoeff@rug.nl

Centre for Theoretical Physics, University of Groningen

based on work in progress with M. de Roo, S. Kerstan, A. Kleinschmidt and F. Riccioni
and with T. Nutma



Supergravity

$$Q_\alpha Q_\beta + Q_\beta Q_\alpha = (\gamma^\mu C^{-1})_{\alpha\beta} P_\mu$$

$$\# \text{ Bosons} = \# \text{ Fermions}$$

Supergravity (SUGRA)

graviton $g_{\mu\nu}$ and gravitino ψ_μ

Spin: $2 + 3/2$



D=11 Supergravity

- describes 128 + 128 degrees of freedom
- maximal supergravity : $N=1, D=11 \Leftrightarrow N=8, D=4$
- UV properties ?



The Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \sqrt{-g} \left\{ R - \frac{1}{2} (F_{(4)})^2 + \dots \right\} + C_{(3)} \wedge \partial C_{(3)} \wedge \partial C_{(3)}$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}, \quad \delta h_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu \xi_\nu + \partial_\nu \xi_\mu : \quad \square\square : 44 \text{ of SO}(9)$$

$$F_{(4)} = \partial C_{(3)}, \quad \delta C_{(3)} = \partial \Lambda_{(2)} : \quad \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} : 84 \text{ of SO}(9)$$

$$C_{(3)} \wedge \partial C_{(3)} \wedge \partial C_{(3)} : \quad C_{(3)} \text{ occurs } \underline{\text{without}} \text{ derivative}$$



Torus Reduction



Torus Reduction

$$\hat{\phi}(x, z) = \sum_n e^{inz/R} \phi_n(x)$$

$$\square \phi_n - (n/R)^2 \phi_n = 0$$



Torus Reduction

$$\hat{\phi}(x, z) = \sum_n e^{inz/R} \phi_n(x) \quad \square \phi_n - (n/R)^2 \phi_n = 0$$

$$\hat{ds}^2 = e^{2\alpha\phi(x)} ds^2 + e^{2\beta\phi(x)} (dz + A_\mu(x) dx^\mu)^2$$



Torus Reduction

$$\hat{\phi}(x, z) = \sum_n e^{inz/R} \phi_n(x) \quad \square \phi_n - (n/R)^2 \phi_n = 0$$

$$\hat{ds}^2 = e^{2\alpha\phi} ds^2 + e^{2\beta\phi} M_{mn} (dz^m + A_\mu^m dx^\mu) (dz^n + A_\mu^n dx^\mu)$$



Torus Reduction

$$\hat{\phi}(x, z) = \sum_n e^{inz/R} \phi_n(x) \quad \square \phi_n - (n/R)^2 \phi_n = 0$$

$$\hat{ds}^2 = e^{2\alpha\phi} ds^2 + e^{2\beta\phi} M_{mn} (dz^m + A_\mu^m dx^\mu) (dz^n + A_\mu^n dx^\mu)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{scalars}} = \sqrt{-g} \left[-\frac{1}{2} (\partial\phi)^2 + \frac{1}{4} \text{Tr} (\partial M \partial M^{-1}) \right]$$



Torus Reduction

$$\hat{\phi}(x, z) = \sum_n e^{inz/R} \phi_n(x) \quad \square \phi_n - (n/R)^2 \phi_n = 0$$

$$\hat{ds}^2 = e^{2\alpha\phi} ds^2 + e^{2\beta\phi} M_{mn} (dz^m + A_\mu^m dx^\mu) (dz^n + A_\mu^n dx^\mu)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{scalars}} = \sqrt{-g} \left[-\frac{1}{2} (\partial\phi)^2 + \frac{1}{4} \text{Tr} (\partial M \partial M^{-1}) \right]$$

$$\hat{\xi}^\mu = \xi^\mu(x), \quad \hat{\xi}^m = \lambda^m(x) + \Lambda^m_n z^n : \quad SL(n, \mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{R}^+$$



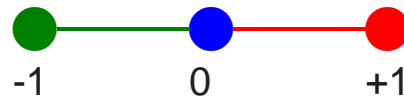
Some Group Theory



Some Group Theory

SU(2) : angular momentum

$$[J_3, J_3] = 0, \quad [J_3, J_+] = J_+, \quad [J_+, J_-] = H$$



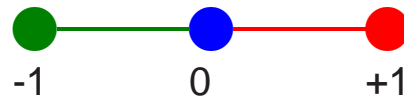
$$3 = 1 + 1_+ + 1_-$$



Some Group Theory

SU(2) : angular momentum

$$[J_3, J_3] = 0, \quad [J_3, J_+] = J_+, \quad [J_+, J_-] = H$$

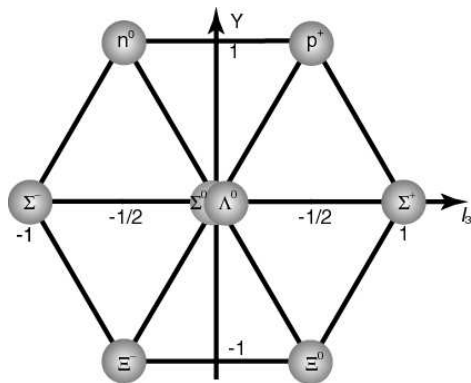


$$3 = 1 + 1_+ + 1_-$$

SU(3) : “the eightfold way”

$$8 = 2 + 3_+ + 3_-$$

$$3_+ = 2_+ + 1$$



Dynkin Diagram



Cartan Matrix A



Cartan's Classification

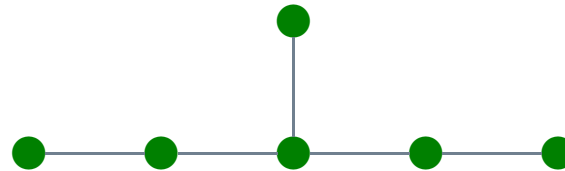
Simple Classical Lie Algebras :

A_n, B_n, C_n, D_n

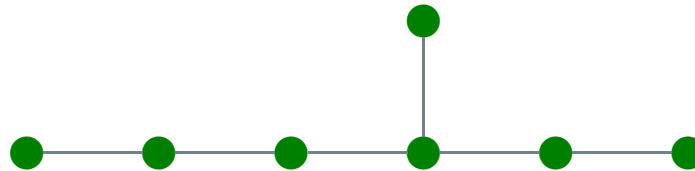
Exceptional Algebras :

G_2, F_4, E_6, E_7, E_8

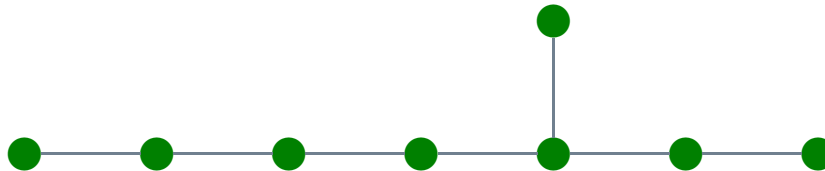
E_6 :



E_7 :



E_8 :



Nonlinear Symmetries

$$n = 2 : \quad M = e^\phi \begin{pmatrix} e^{-2\phi} + \chi^2 & \chi \\ \chi & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{scalars}} = \sqrt{-g} \left[-\frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-\phi}(\partial\chi)^2 \right] : \quad 1 \text{ "dilaton"} \text{ and } 1 \text{ "axion"}$$

$$\text{Scalar Coset : } G/H = SL(2, \mathbb{R})/SO(2)$$

of scalars = dimension of G – dimension of H



Dual Representations



Dual Representations

Examples: $\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \sim \bullet$ in $D=4$ or $\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \sim \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array}$ in $D=10$



Dual Representations

Examples: $\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \sim \bullet$ in $D=4$ or $\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \sim$ in $D=10$

$$\mathcal{L}^{(1)} \sim F_{(p+2)}^2(A)$$

$$\mathcal{L}' \sim F_{(p+2)}^2 + F_{(p+2)} \wedge \partial B_{(D-p-3)} \rightarrow F_{(p+2)} \sim {}^* F_{(D-p-2)}(B)$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{(2)} \sim F_{(D-p-2)}^2(B)$$



Dual Representations

Examples: $\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \sim \bullet$ in D=4 or $\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \sim$ in D=10

$$\mathcal{L}^{(1)} \sim F_{(p+2)}^2(A)$$

$$\mathcal{L}' \sim F_{(p+2)}^2 + F_{(p+2)} \wedge \partial B_{(D-p-3)} \quad \rightarrow \quad F_{(p+2)} \sim {}^* F_{(D-p-2)}(B)$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{(2)} \sim F_{(D-p-2)}^2(B)$$

Condition: A occurs only via $F_{(p+2)}(A)$



Hidden Symmetries



Hidden Symmetries

from: A. Kleinschmidt

D	G/H	Dim



Hidden Symmetries

from: A. Kleinschmidt

D	G/H	Dim
10	\mathbb{R}^+	1



Hidden Symmetries

from: A. Kleinschmidt

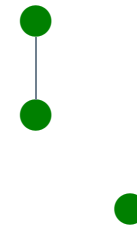
D	G/H	Dim
10	\mathbb{R}^+	1
9	$SL(2, \mathbb{R})/SO(2) \times \mathbb{R}^+$	3



Hidden Symmetries

from: A. Kleinschmidt

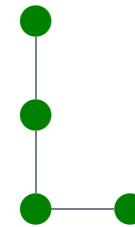
D	G/H	Dim
10	\mathbb{R}^+	1
9	$SL(2, \mathbb{R})/SO(2) \times \mathbb{R}^+$	3
8	$SL(3)/SO(3) \times SL(2)/SO(2)$	7



Hidden Symmetries

from: A. Kleinschmidt

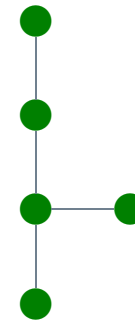
D	G/H	Dim
10	\mathbb{R}^+	1
9	$SL(2, \mathbb{R})/SO(2) \times \mathbb{R}^+$	3
8	$SL(3)/SO(3) \times SL(2)/SO(2)$	7
7	$SL(5)/SO(5)$	14



Hidden Symmetries

from: A. Kleinschmidt

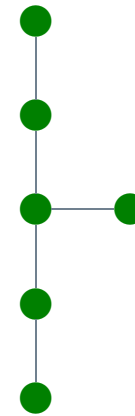
D	G/H	Dim
10	\mathbb{R}^+	1
9	$SL(2, \mathbb{R})/SO(2) \times \mathbb{R}^+$	3
8	$SL(3)/SO(3) \times SL(2)/SO(2)$	7
7	$SL(5)/SO(5)$	14
6	$SO(5, 5)/SO(5) \times SO(5)$	25



Hidden Symmetries

from: A. Kleinschmidt

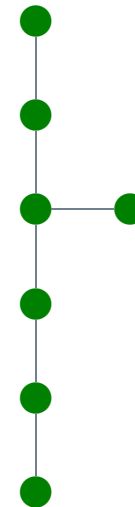
D	G/H	Dim
10	\mathbb{R}^+	1
9	$SL(2, \mathbb{R})/SO(2) \times \mathbb{R}^+$	3
8	$SL(3)/SO(3) \times SL(2)/SO(2)$	7
7	$SL(5)/SO(5)$	14
6	$SO(5, 5)/SO(5) \times SO(5)$	25
5	$E_6/USp(8)$	42



Hidden Symmetries

from: A. Kleinschmidt

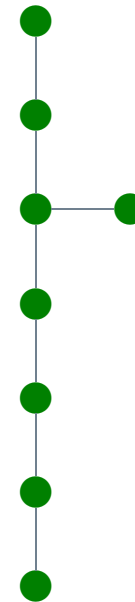
D	G/H	Dim
10	\mathbb{R}^+	1
9	$SL(2, \mathbb{R})/SO(2) \times \mathbb{R}^+$	3
8	$SL(3)/SO(3) \times SL(2)/SO(2)$	7
7	$SL(5)/SO(5)$	14
6	$SO(5, 5)/SO(5) \times SO(5)$	25
5	$E_6/USp(8)$	42
4	$E_7/U(8)$	70



Hidden Symmetries

from: A. Kleinschmidt

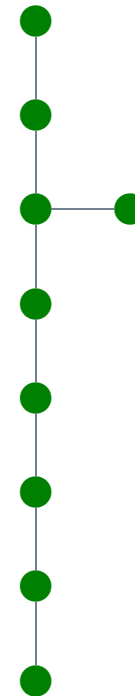
D	G/H	Dim
10	\mathbb{R}^+	1
9	$SL(2, \mathbb{R})/SO(2) \times \mathbb{R}^+$	3
8	$SL(3)/SO(3) \times SL(2)/SO(2)$	7
7	$SL(5)/SO(5)$	14
6	$SO(5, 5)/SO(5) \times SO(5)$	25
5	$E_6/USp(8)$	42
4	$E_7/U(8)$	70
3	$E_8/SO(16)$	128



Hidden Symmetries

from: A. Kleinschmidt

D	G/H	Dim
10	\mathbb{R}^+	1
9	$SL(2, \mathbb{R})/SO(2) \times \mathbb{R}^+$	3
8	$SL(3)/SO(3) \times SL(2)/SO(2)$	7
7	$SL(5)/SO(5)$	14
6	$SO(5, 5)/SO(5) \times SO(5)$	25
5	$E_6/USp(8)$	42
4	$E_7/U(8)$	70
3	$E_8/SO(16)$	128
2	$E_9/K(E_9)$	—



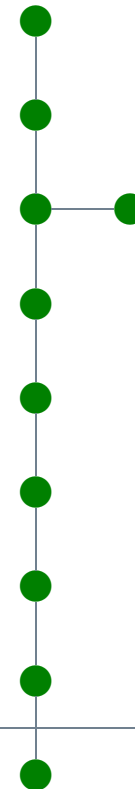
Nicolai 1987



Hidden Symmetries

from: A. Kleinschmidt

D	G/H	Dim
10	\mathbb{R}^+	1
9	$SL(2, \mathbb{R})/SO(2) \times \mathbb{R}^+$	3
8	$SL(3)/SO(3) \times SL(2)/SO(2)$	7
7	$SL(5)/SO(5)$	14
6	$SO(5, 5)/SO(5) \times SO(5)$	25
5	$E_6/USp(8)$	42
4	$E_7/U(8)$	70
3	$E_8/SO(16)$	128
2	$E_9/K(E_9)$	—
1	$E_{10}/K(E_{10}) ?$	—



Nicolai 1987

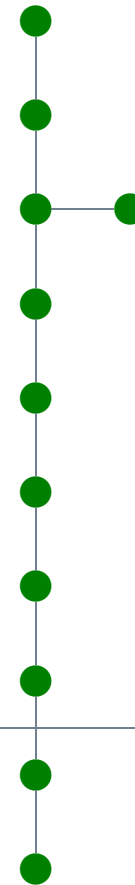
Julia 1980



Hidden Symmetries

from: A. Kleinschmidt

D	G/H	Dim
10	\mathbb{R}^+	1
9	$SL(2, \mathbb{R})/SO(2) \times \mathbb{R}^+$	3
8	$SL(3)/SO(3) \times SL(2)/SO(2)$	7
7	$SL(5)/SO(5)$	14
6	$SO(5, 5)/SO(5) \times SO(5)$	25
5	$E_6/USp(8)$	42
4	$E_7/U(8)$	70
3	$E_8/SO(16)$	128
2	$E_9/K(E_9)$	—
1	$E_{10}/K(E_{10}) ?$	—
0	$E_{11}/K(E_{11}) ?$	—



Nicolai 1987

Julia 1980

West 2001



What is E_{11} ?



What is E_{11} ?

- We work directly in D=11 dimensions (cp. to de Wit, Nicolai)

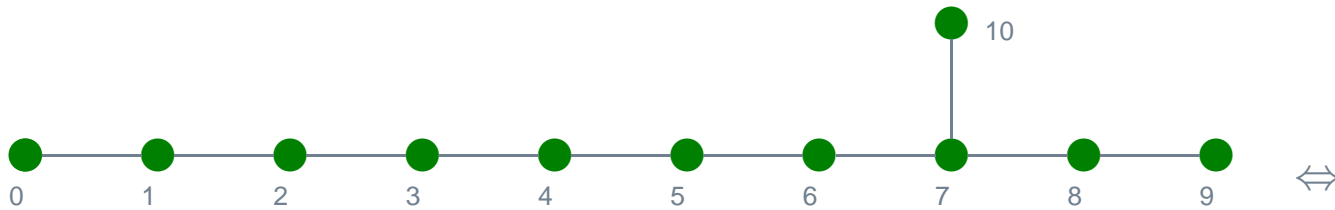
West 2001



What is E_{11} ?

- We work directly in D=11 dimensions (cp. to de Wit, Nicolai)

West 2001



Cartan matrix

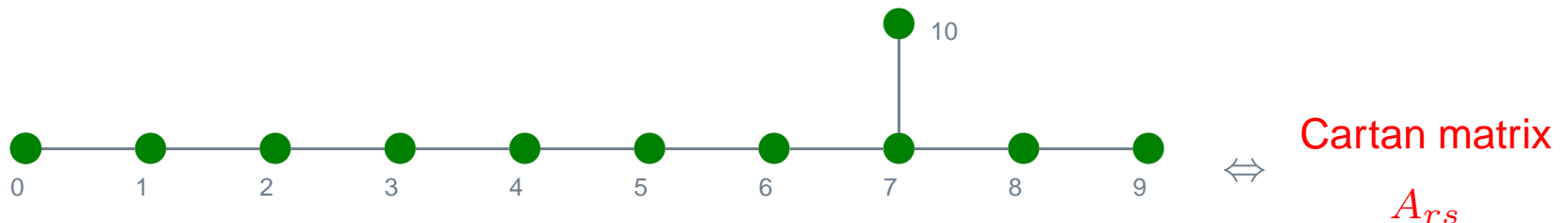
A_{rs}



What is E_{11} ?

- We work directly in D=11 dimensions (cp. to de Wit, Nicolai)

West 2001



- One finds a **Lorentzian** Cartan matrix that leads to an **infinite number of states** in the adjoint representation that so far has not been classified by mathematicians



Level Decomposition



Level Decomposition

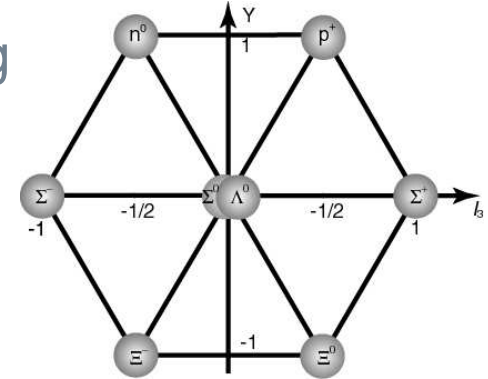
- One can calculate a number of states by slicing into levels, e.g.



Level Decomposition

- One can calculate a number of states by slicing into levels, e.g.

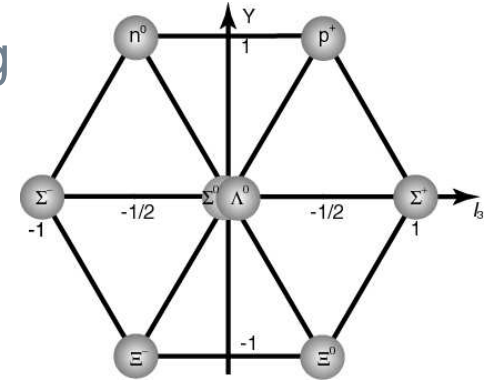
$$8 = 3 + 1 + 2 + 2$$



Level Decomposition

- One can calculate a number of states by slicing into levels, e.g.

$$8 = 3 + 1 + 2 + 2$$



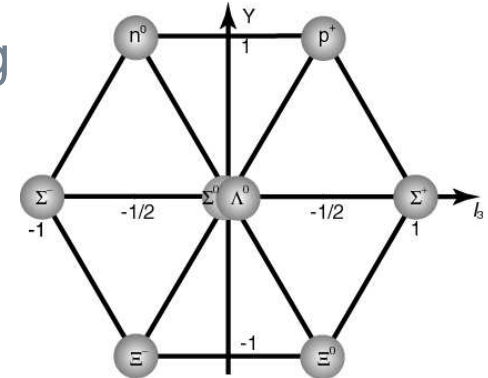
- One finds at low levels the spacetime fields of D=11 supergravity



Level Decomposition

- One can calculate a number of states by slicing into levels, e.g.

$$8 = 3 + 1 + 2 + 2$$



- One finds at low levels the spacetime fields of D=11 supergravity

Borisov, Ogievetsky 1974

level $l \geq 0$	0	1	2	3
field	$h_a{}^b$	$C_{(3)}$	$C_{(6)}?$	$D_{(8,1)}?$
Young tableaux				



Six-form Potential

$$\mathcal{L}_{11} \sim C_{(3)} \wedge \partial C_{(3)} \wedge \partial C_{(3)} : \quad C_{(3)} \quad \text{or} \quad C_{(6)} \quad \underline{\text{plus}} \quad C_{(3)}$$

$$C_{(3)} \stackrel{\text{duality}}{\Leftrightarrow} C_{(6)}$$

$$\underbrace{\partial C_{(6)} - C_{(3)} \wedge \partial C_{(3)}}_{F_{(6)}} = * \underbrace{\partial C_{(3)}}_{F_{(4)}}$$

$$\delta C_{(3)} = \partial \Lambda_{(2)} \Rightarrow [3, 3] = 0$$

$$\delta C_{(6)} = \partial \Lambda_{(5)} + C_{(3)} \wedge \partial \Lambda_{(2)} \Rightarrow \boxed{[3, 3] = 6} !$$



Dual Gravity

Linearized gravity: $g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$ $\delta_{\xi_{(1)}} h_{(2)} = \partial \xi_{(1)}$

$$S_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_9 \nu \rho} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_9 \alpha \beta} R_{\nu \rho}{}^{\alpha \beta}(\omega(h))$$

Hull, West

$$S_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_9 \nu \rho} = \partial_{[\nu} Y_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_9 \rho]} \quad Y_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_9 \rho} = 9 \partial_{[\mu_1} D_{\mu_2 \dots \mu_9] \rho} \quad D_{[\mu_1 \dots \mu_8 \rho]} = 0$$

$$\delta_{\Lambda_{(7,1)}} D_{(8,1)} = \partial \Lambda_{(7,1)}$$

$$\delta_{\Sigma_{(8)}} D_{(8,1)} = \partial \Sigma_{(8)}$$



Dual Gravity with Matter

de Roo, Kerstan, Kleinschmidt, Riccioni + E.B., work in progress

Require D=11 susy $\Rightarrow Y = \star\omega + C_{(3)} \wedge \partial C_{(6)}$ terms

$$\delta_{\Lambda_{(2)}} D_{(8,1)} \neq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \delta_{\Lambda_{(5)}} D_{(8,1)} \neq 0 \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$[\delta_{\Lambda_{(2)}}, \delta_{\Lambda_{(5)}}] D_{(8,1)} = \delta_{\Lambda_{(7,1)}} D_{(8,1)} + \delta_{\Sigma_{(8)}} D_{(8,1)} \quad \text{or}$$

$$\boxed{[3, 6] = (8, 1)} !$$



Dual Representations



Dual Representations

spin 1 :



dual spin 1 :



Dual Representations

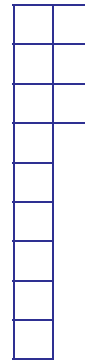
spin 1 :



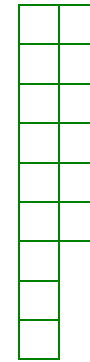
dual spin 1 :



more dual spin 1 :



,



,

etc.

Hull



Dual Representations

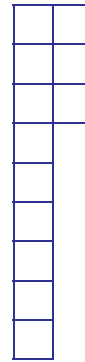
spin 1 :



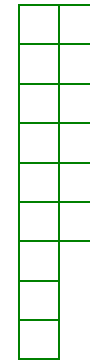
dual spin 1 :



more dual spin 1 :



,



,

etc.

Hull

3 families of reps. : spin 1, dual spin 1 and dual spin 2



Non-dual Representations



Non-dual Representations

D=10 Field	# d.o.f.	Name	Interpretation
IIA : $C_{(9)}$	0	de form	cosmological constant
IIB : $C_{(10)}$	0	top form	Type I string



Non-dual Representations

D=10 Field	# d.o.f.	Name	Interpretation
IIA : $C_{(9)}$	0	de form	cosmological constant
IIB : $C_{(10)}$	0	top form	Type I string

$$\partial_\lambda (\sqrt{-g} F^{\lambda\mu_1 \dots \mu_9} (C)) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad F_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{10}} (C) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} \epsilon_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{10}} m$$



Non-dual Representations

D=10 Field	# d.o.f.	Name	Interpretation
IIA : $C_{(9)}$	0	de form	cosmological constant
IIB : $C_{(10)}$	0	top form	Type I string

$$\partial_\lambda (\sqrt{-g} F^{\lambda\mu_1 \dots \mu_9} (C)) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad F_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{10}} (C) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} \epsilon_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{10}} m$$

$\delta C_{(10)} = \partial \Lambda_{(9)} :$ $C_{(10)}$ is not a scalar!

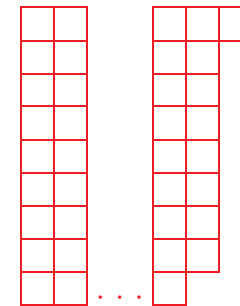
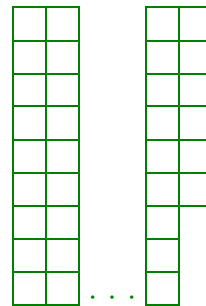
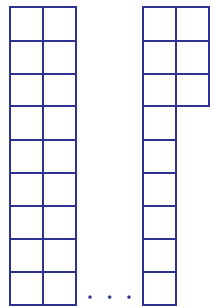


D=11 Supergravity and E_{11}

Riccioni, West, hep-th/0612001

The adjoint representation of E_{11} contains the following fields with $3l$ indices :

- 3 families of dual representations

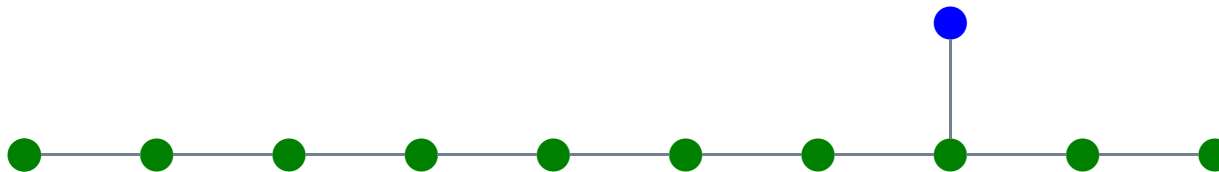


- Many **non-dual representations** with 10 or 11 antisymm. indices



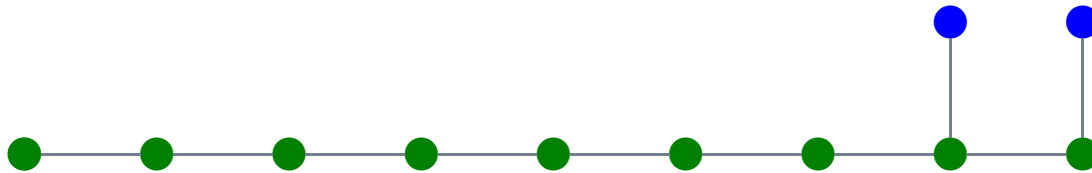
Lower Dimensions

D=11



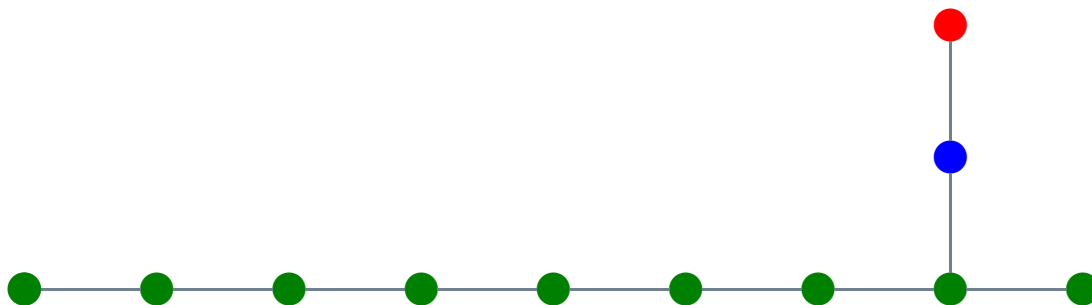
Lower Dimensions

D=10, IIA



Lower Dimensions

D=10, IIB

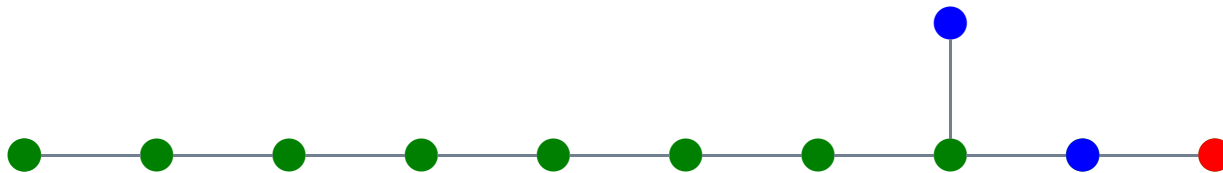


$SL(2, \mathbb{R})$



Lower Dimensions

D=9

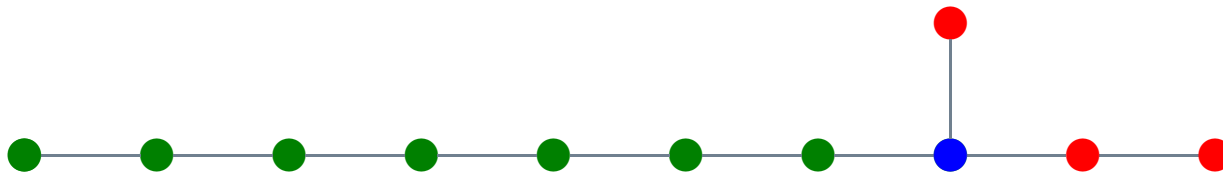


$SL(2, \mathbb{R})$



Lower Dimensions

D=8

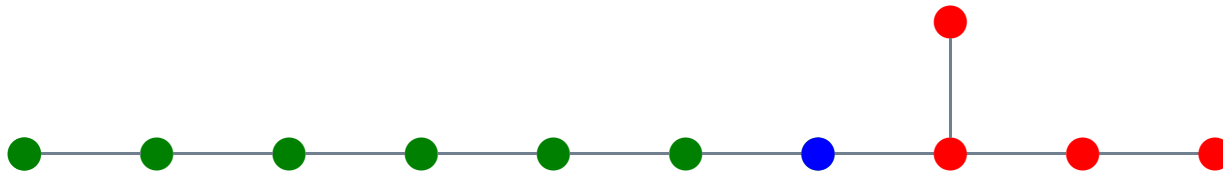


$SL(2, \mathbb{R}) \times SL(3, \mathbb{R})$



Lower Dimensions

$D=7$

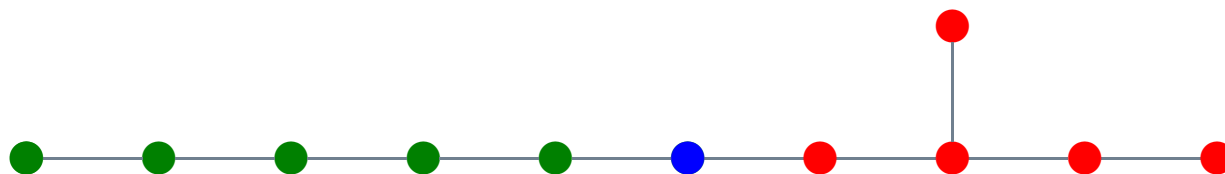


$SL(5, \mathbb{R})$



Lower Dimensions

D=6

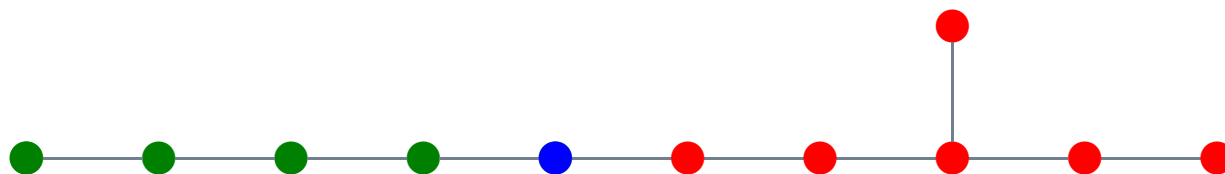


$SO(5,5)$



Lower Dimensions

$D=5$

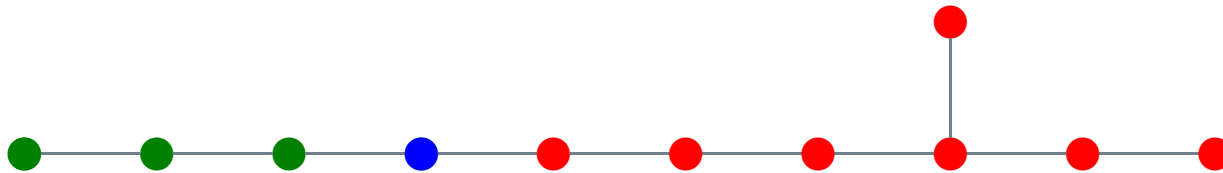


E_6



Lower Dimensions

$D=4$

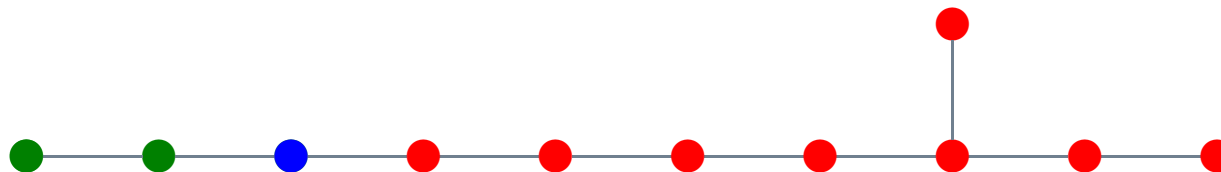


E_7



Lower Dimensions

D=3



E_8



D9-branes



D9-branes

Dimension	D-form gauge field
D=11	—
D=10, IIA	1+1
D=10, IIB	4 + 2



D9-branes

Dimension	D-form gauge field
D=11	—
D=10, IIA	1+1
D=10, IIB	4 + 2

D9-brane transforms as a **non-linear doublet**

M. de Roo, S. Kerstan, T. Ortín, F. Riccioni, 2006



D9-branes

Dimension	D-form gauge field
D=11	—
D=10, IIA	1+1
D=10, IIB	4 + 2

D9-brane transforms as a **non-linear doublet**

M. de Roo, S. Kerstan, T. Ortín, F. Riccioni, 2006

Supergravity calculation agrees with E_{11} result!



E_{11} and Massive Supergravity



E_{11} and Massive Supergravity

Dimension	Cosmological Constant
D=11	—
D=10, IIA	1
D=10, IIB	—
D=9	3 + 2

Romans

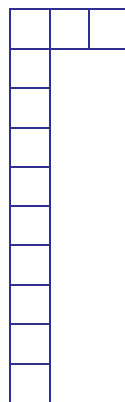


E_{11} and Massive Supergravity

Dimension	Cosmological Constant
D=11	—
D=10, IIA	1
D=10, IIB	—
D=9	3 + 2

Romans

“D=11 cosmological constant” :



$D=11 \rightarrow D=10$
 $\xrightarrow{\quad}$



+ ...



E_{11} and Massive Supergravity

Dimension	Cosmological Constant
D=11	—
D=10, IIA	1
D=10, IIB	—
D=9	3 + 2

Romans

3 : $SO(2)$, $SO(1,1)$ and \mathbb{R}^+ Gauged Supergravity

2 : New Massive Maximal Supergravities ?



Remarks



Remarks

- **Conjecture** : E_{11} can be realized at the **linearized** sugra level without introducing new physical d.o.f. !



Remarks

- **Conjecture** : E_{11} can be realized at the **linearized** sugra level without introducing new physical d.o.f. !
- D=11 sugra, D=10 IIA sugra and D=10 IIB sugra have precisely the same field content !



Remarks

- **Conjecture** : E_{11} can be realized at the **linearized** sugra level without introducing new physical d.o.f. !
- D=11 sugra, D=10 IIA sugra and D=10 IIB sugra have precisely the same field content !
- E_{11} gives non-trivial information about (non-linear) supergravities in $D < 11$ dimensions ?

work in progress

