"Thank You!" Tribute to Collaborators and Institutions

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Trying to outsmart the trout...



Future Research Plans

- Modular Invariance Approach to (Lepton, Quark) Flavour Problem in Particle Physics:
- Describing correctly the quark sector without fine tuning;
- Unified description of both the quark and leton sectors without fine tuning;

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- Experimental tests of low-scale leptogenesis
- Neutrino tomography of the Earth interior
- Problems in Neutrino Physics

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