### **Neutrino Mass Sum Rules from Modular A<sub>4</sub> Symmetry**



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#### 11<sup>TH</sup> WORKSHOP

Flavor Symmetries and Consequences in Accelerators and Cosmology

#### **Neutrino Oscillations**

• Neutrino oscillations suggest that neutrinos must be massive !





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*Fig. 1:* Neutrino Oscillations

Source: S. Jang, et al. . vOscillation: a software package for computation and simulation of neutrino oscillation and detection

#### **Neutrino Mass Ordering**

Neutrino Oscillation: Mass Ordering ? Patterns of mixing angles:  $\theta_{23} \sim 45^{\circ}$ ,  $\theta_{12} \sim 33^{\circ}$ ,  $\theta_{13} \sim 8^{\circ}$ 



Fig. 2: Neutrinos mass ordering

# Absolute Neutrino Mass Observables ( $m_e^{}, m_{ee}^{}, \Sigma$ )

**Beta Decay : Sensitive to the effective electron neutrino mass** 

$$\mathbf{m}_{\mathbf{e}} = \sqrt{\sum_{i} |U_{ei}|^2 m_i^2} = \left[c_{13}^2 c_{12}^2 m_1^2 + c_{13}^2 s_{12}^2 m_2^2 + s_{13}^2 m_3^2\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

**Ovee decay (Only for Majorana Neutrino) : Effective Majorana mass**  $|m_{ee}| = \left| \sum_{i} U_{ei}^2 m_i \right| = |c_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 m_1 + s_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 e^{2i\phi_{12}} m_2 + s_{13}^2 e^{2i\phi_{13}} m_3|$ 

Lisi's talk

**Cosmology : Sum of Neutrino Mass** 

$$\Sigma = m_1 + m_2 + m_3$$

# Flavor Structure + Absolute Mass Scale

## **The Symmetry Approach to Flavor Structure**

- Symmetries play an important role in particle physics, for example, the SM is built on gauge symmetries (strong, weak, and electromagnetic).
- Discrete symmetries are often utilized to control the allowed couplings (e.g., Abelian symmetries like  $Z_N$ ) and to explain the origin of flavor structures (typically using non-Abelian symmetries).
- Non-Abelian discrete symmetries are commonly referred to as flavor symmetries, such as  $S_3$ ,  $A_4$ ,  $S_4$ , etc.
- Usually a flavon field  $\varphi$  is introduced for the breaking pattern.

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_{11} & y_{12} & y_{13} \\ y_{21} & y_{22} & y_{23} \\ y_{31} & y_{32} & y_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

E. Ma and G. Rajasekaran, hep-ph/0106291, K. S. Babu, et al., hep-ph/0206292, G. Altarelli and F. Feruglio, hep-ph/0512103

# **Modular Symmetry**

- Modular symmetry provides an elegant framework for understanding fermion masses and mixing without introducing flavon fields.
- It replaces traditional discrete flavor symmetries by promoting Yukawa couplings to modular forms, where  $y \equiv y(\tau)$ .
- Finite modular groups like  $\Gamma_N$  (e.g.,  $\Gamma_3 \simeq A_4$ ,  $\Gamma_4 \simeq S_4$ ) play the role of effective flavor symmetries.
- Fermion fields are assigned modular weights (k) and representations, leading to flavor structures without flavons.

#### **Neutrino Mass Sum Rules**

• Mass sum rules among the neutrino masses.



# These sum rules constraint neutrino masses and predict the absolute neutrino mass observables.

G. Altarelli et al., JHEP 03 (2008), 052, M. Hirsch et al., Phys. Rev. D 78 (2008), 093007, F. Bazzocchi et al. Phys. Rev. D 80 (2009), 053003

# **Our Model**

- We employ a modular  $A_4$  group.
- 'k' denotes the modular weight.
- Neutrino Masses and Mixing will be generated from the type-II Seesaw Mechanism.



*Tab 1:* Model particle contents



*Fig. 3:* Type-II seesaw mass diagram

#### **Charged Lepton and Neutrino Mass Matrix**

The superpotential of the model is given by:

$$\mathcal{W} = \alpha_1 \left( \mathbf{Y}_{\boldsymbol{e}} L \right)_1 E_1^c H_d + \alpha_2 \left( \mathbf{Y}_{\boldsymbol{e}} L \right)_{1''} E_2^c H_d$$
  
+  $\alpha_3 \left( \mathbf{Y}_{\boldsymbol{e}} L \right)_{1'} E_3^c H_d + \alpha \left( \mathbf{Y}_{\boldsymbol{\nu}, \mathbf{1}} \left( LL \right)_{3_S} \right)_1 \Delta$   
+  $\beta \left( \mathbf{Y}_{\boldsymbol{\nu}, \mathbf{2}} \left( LL \right)_{3_S} \right)_1 \Delta + \mu H_u H_d + \mu_\Delta H_d H_d \Delta$ 

Yukawas
 
$$\Gamma_3 \simeq \mathcal{A}_4 \ k$$
 $Y_e = Y_3^{(4)}$ 
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  $Y_{\nu,1} = Y_{3a}^{(6)}$ 
 3
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  $Y_{\nu,2} = Y_{3b}^{(6)}$ 
 3
 6

*Tab 2:* Yukawa transformation

$$M_{\ell} = v_{H} \begin{pmatrix} Y_{3,1}^{(4)} & Y_{3,2}^{(4)} & Y_{3,3}^{(4)} \\ Y_{3,3}^{(4)} & Y_{3,1}^{(4)} & Y_{3,2}^{(4)} \\ Y_{3,2}^{(4)} & Y_{3,3}^{(4)} & Y_{3,1}^{(4)} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha_{3} \end{pmatrix} \qquad M_{\nu} = v_{\Delta} \begin{pmatrix} 2Y_{1} & -Y_{3} & -Y_{2} \\ * & 2Y_{2} & -Y_{1} \\ * & * & 2Y_{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $Y_i \equiv \alpha Y_{3a,i}^{(6)} + \beta Y_{3b,i}^{(6)}$  with  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ 

#### **Proof of Sum Rule**

 $r^2 \equiv |Y_1|^2 + |Y_2|^2 + |Y_3|^2$ 

$${
m Tr}(M^{\dagger}_{
u}M^{\phantom{\dagger}}_{
u})=6r^2$$
  
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m Tr}(M^{\dagger}_{
u}M^{\phantom{\dagger}}_{
u}M^{\dagger}_{
u}M^{\phantom{\dagger}}_{
u})=18r^4$ 

$$\implies \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Tr}(M_{\nu}^{\dagger}M_{\nu})^{2} = \operatorname{Tr}(M_{\nu}^{\dagger}M_{\nu}M_{\nu}^{\dagger}M_{\nu})$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(m_1^2 + m_2^2 + m_3^2)^2 = m_1^4 + m_2^4 + m_3^4 \qquad \implies \qquad m_3^2 = (m_1 \pm m_2)^2$$

$$\begin{split} m_3^{\rm NO} &= m_1^{\rm NO} + m_2^{\rm NO}, \qquad m_3^{\rm NO} > m_2^{\rm NO} > m_1^{\rm NO} \\ m_2^{\rm IO} &= m_1^{\rm IO} + m_3^{\rm IO}, \qquad m_2^{\rm IO} > m_1^{\rm IO} > m_3^{\rm IO} \end{split}$$

$$m_{\rm heaviest} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i} m_i$$

# **Sum Rule Predictions**

A fascinating aspect of this neutrino mass matrix is the sum rule, which is invariant irrespective of the ordering of neutrino masses.



The sum rule, together with the two mass-squared differences, allows definite neutrino masses. NO:

$$m_3 = m_1 + m_2$$
  

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 = 7.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2, \quad \Delta m_{31}^2 = 2.55 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$
  

$$m_1 = 0.0282 \text{ eV}, \quad m_2 = 0.0295 \text{ eV}, \quad m_3 = 0.0578 \text{ eV}$$
  
IO:

$$m_2 = m_1 + m_3$$
  

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 = 7.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2, \quad \Delta m_{31}^2 = -2.45 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$
  

$$m_3 = 7.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ eV}, \quad m_1 = 0.049 \text{ eV}, \quad m_2 = 0.050 \text{ eV}$$

## **Sum Rule Implications**

• This sum rule leads to precise prediction for neutrinoless double beta decay.

$$|m_{ee}| = \left|\sum_{i} U_{ei}^2 m_i\right| = |c_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 m_1 + s_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 e^{2i\phi_{12}} m_2 + s_{13}^2 e^{2i\phi_{13}} m_3|$$

*Effective mass for neutrinoless double beta decay* 



*Fig. 5:* Correlation of Majorana phases



*Fig. 4:* Neutrinoless double beta decay

#### Dashed green line is for nEXO future sensitivity.

- Majorana phases are strongly correlated with each other.
- Effective mass of beta decay and sum of neutrino masses are precisely determined.

### **Neutrino Oscillations Predictions**

• Correlation between atmospheric angle and imaginary part of complex parameter  $\tau$ .



*Fig. 6:* Model predictions for atmospheric mixing angle vs  $Im(\tau)$ .

#### **Neutrino Oscillations Predictions: NO**

- Correlation of mixing angles and CP phase for NO.
- Lower bound on mixing angle  $\theta_{13} > 8.36^{\circ}$ .



*Fig.* 7: Model predictions for mixing angles and CP phase in NO

#### **Neutrino Oscillations Predictions: IO**

- Correlation of mixing angles and CP phase for IO.
- Upper bound on mixing angle  $\theta_{23} < 46.8^{\circ}$ .



Fig. 8: Model predictions for mixing angle and CP phase in IO

### Conclusions

- Modular  $A_{4}$  symmetry has been employed in type-II seesaw mechanism.
- Neutrino mass structure leads to a sum rule for physical neutrino masses valid for both NO and IO.
- Sum rule fixes neutrino mass and provides a testable prediction for the sum of neutrino mass, neutrinoless double beta decay and beta decay
- Mixing angles have strong correlations with the complex modulus parameter  $\tau$ .
- The mixing angle  $\theta_{13}$  has lower bound in NO while upper bound on mixing angle  $\theta_{23}$  for IO.
- CP phase in both NO and IO has correlation that can be tested in future experiments like DUNE.



# Back Up

# **A<sub>4</sub> Representation for Modular Weight k**

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Weight (k)	$d_k$	$\mathcal{A}_4$ representations
2	3	3
4	5	3 + 1 + 1'
6	7	3 + 3 + 1
8	9	3 + 3 + 1 + 1' + 1''
10	11	3 + 3 + 3 + 1 + 1'

#### TABLE III. $A_4$ representations for different weight k.