

# Yang-Mills origin of gravitational symmetries

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Propose:

- Decompose the  $SO(1, D - 1)$  tensor product into irreps.
- Keep the  $R \times E \times \tilde{R} \times \tilde{E}$  indices.
- Kill the gauge indices using a biadjoint scalar. [Hodges '11, '12]
- Use a convolution to combine the field dependence.

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \Phi_{\mu}^i \circ \tilde{\Phi}_{\alpha}^{i'} \right) (x) &\equiv \left( \Phi_{\mu}^{iA} \star \Phi_{AA'} \star \tilde{\Phi}_{\alpha}^{i'A'} \right) (x) \\ &= \int d^D y d^D z \Phi_{\mu}^{iA}(y) \Phi_{AA'}(z - y) \tilde{\Phi}_{\alpha}^{i'A'}(x - z) \quad (5) \end{aligned}$$

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The resulting theory will have  $U(1)_{st} \times SU(4)_L \times SU(4)_R \times U(1)_d$  where:

$$U(1)_{st} = U(1)_{st}^L + U(1)_{st}^R \quad (6)$$

$$U(1)_d = U(1)_{st}^L - U(1)_{st}^R \quad (7)$$

# The squaring table

$\mathbf{V}_4 \setminus \mathbf{V}_4$	$\mathbf{1}^{-2} + \mathbf{1}^2$	$\mathbf{4}^{-1} + \bar{\mathbf{4}}^1$	$\mathbf{6}^0$
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Can we find a formula which takes as input  $(D, Q_L, Q_R)$  and gives out the respective  $H$  and  $G$ ?

# The FRT magic square

[Freudenthal '54, Rosenfeld '56, Tits '66]

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$\mathbb{R}$	$\mathfrak{f}_{4(-20)}$	$\mathfrak{sp}(2, 1)$	$\mathfrak{su}(2, 1)$	$\mathfrak{so}(2, 1)$

$$\mathfrak{L}_{1,2} = \mathfrak{tri}(\mathbb{A}(L)) \oplus \mathfrak{tri}(\mathbb{A}(R)) + 3(\mathbb{A}(L) \otimes \mathbb{A}(R)) \quad (8)$$

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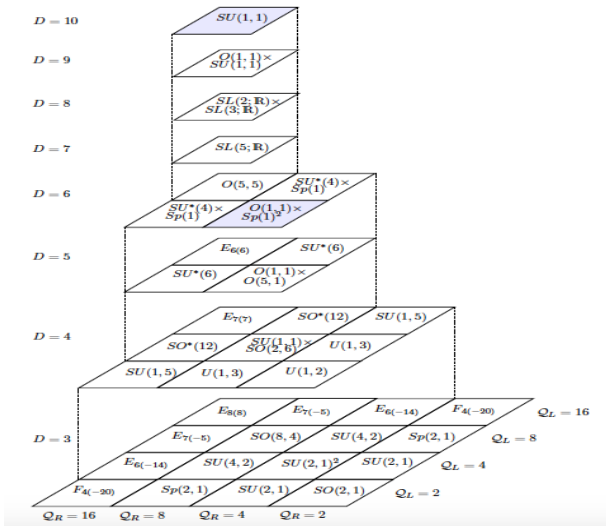
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we want to reproduce:

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