

Santacticians poem*

Dear colleagues,

I would like to bring to the fore
A construction, it's not been discussed before.
As you can see
The crucial elements are clear-ly in SpecFP.
Although the facts seem to be in contradiction,
We can actually make a prediction!!!
From my analysis,
Interesting as it is.
Any previous account is just bullshit,
And I argue strongly against it.
The data don't follow from them at all –
And isn't this our primary goal?
My theory, however,
Is much more clever,
As I will show
Directly below.
I am quite sure that you are convinced by now
That we need an FP shell anyhow.
Interestingly, this fact is corroborated by the following actuality:
Our construction really surfaces in the specifier of FP!
We have already explained this in the previous section,
which contains the elaborate data collection.
Of course remaining questions there are plenty,
Maybe even more than twenty,
But unfortunately it is the case
That we are running out of space;
And I suggest that they are to be dealt with in a future investigation,
For my analysis evokes such exciting directions of exploration!

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* **Background.** In the Netherlands it is an old tradition to give each other anonymous presents accompanied by ironic doggerel on the evening before December 6th, the feast of St. Nicholas [*Santa Claus* in the USA], who is called *Sinterklaas* (or *Sint Nicolaas*, in short (*de*) *Sint*). The Santacticians Poem was written for this occasion.