

Trinification from a “realistic” E_6 GUT model

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Outline

(1) Introduction and motivation:

Build a “realistic” E_6 GUT model that has $SU(3)^3$ (trinification) or $SU(6) \times SU(2)$ symmetry at an intermediate breaking stage.

(2) Model building considerations

(2.1) Introducing the group E_6

(2.2) How to get trinification as an intermediate symmetry

(3) Spontaneous symmetry breaking via **650** of E_6

(4) A realistic model: **650** \oplus **27** \oplus **351'**

(4.1) Symmetry breaking patterns

(4.2) Yukawa sector

(4.3) Unification analysis

(4.4) Proton decay

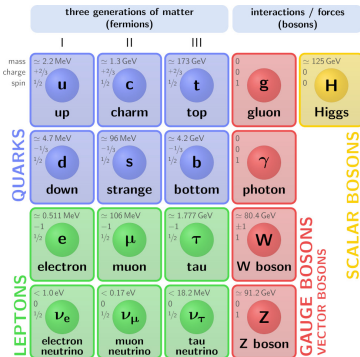
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three generations of matter (fermions)			interactions / forces (bosons)	
	I	II	III	
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	u up	c charm	t top	g gluon
	d down	s strange	b bottom	H Higgs
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- Gauge group:

$$SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$$

- Field content:

$$\text{fermions: } 3 \times (Q \oplus u^c \oplus d^c \oplus L \oplus e^c)$$

$$\text{scalars: } H$$

$$Q \sim (3, 2, +\frac{1}{6}), \quad L \sim (1, 2, -\frac{1}{2}),$$

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- Parameters: (19)

$$g, \{y, \theta, \delta\}, \{\mu^2, \lambda\}, \theta_{QCD}$$



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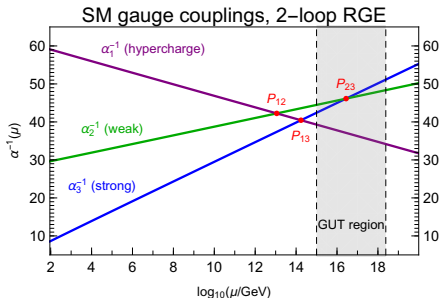
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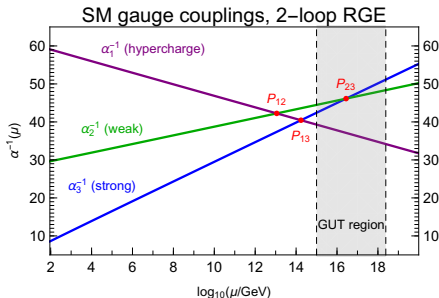
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- Unification window for M_U :
 - > 10^{15} GeV (proton decay)
 - < $2.4 \cdot 10^{18}$ GeV (Planck scale)

Non-trivial feature:

M_U compatible with window!



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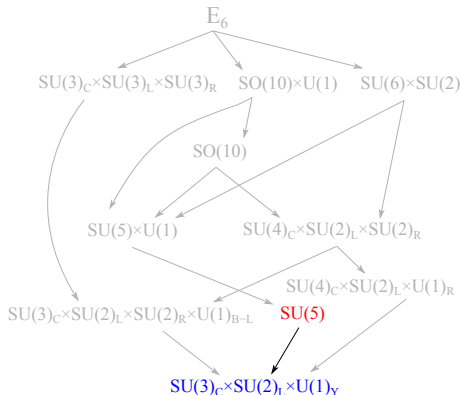
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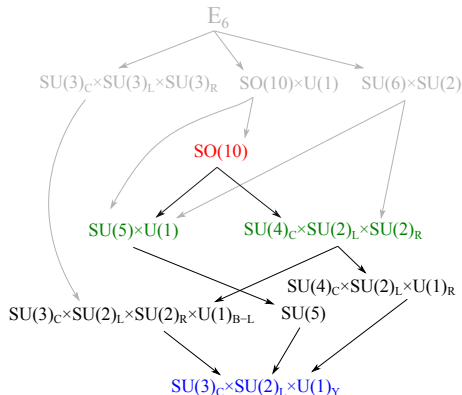
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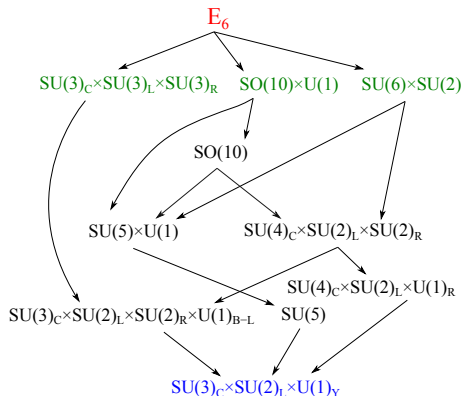
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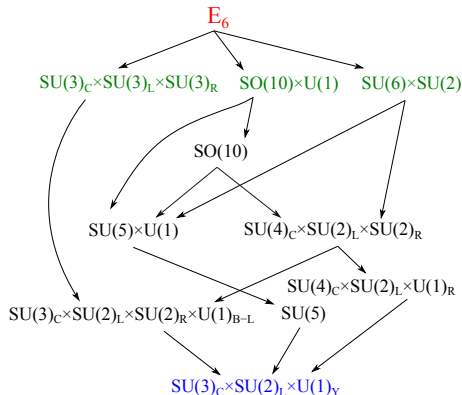
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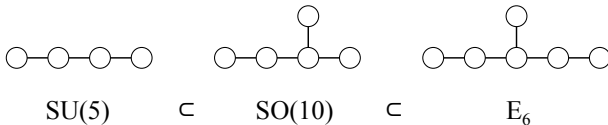
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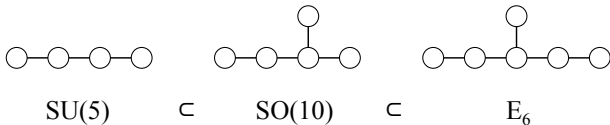
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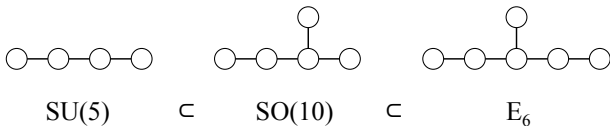


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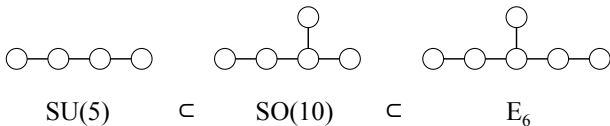
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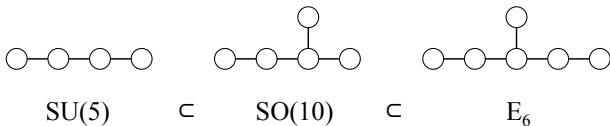
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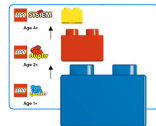
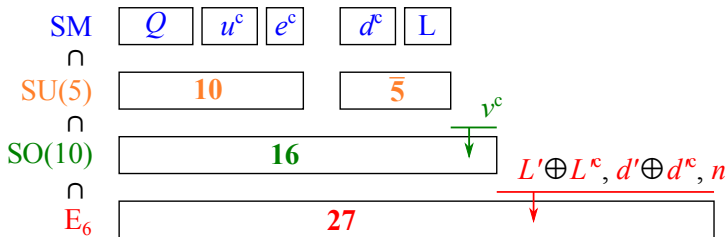


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 (Used also in irrep constraints, e.g. $351'{}^{ij} d_{ijk} = 0$.)

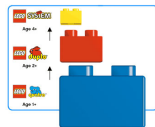
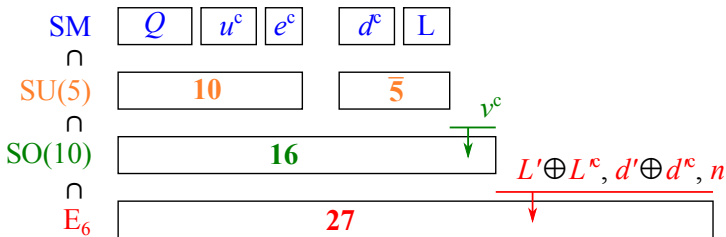
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■ Fermion exotics in E_6 : (heavy)

- (a) right-handed neutrinos: $\nu^c, n \sim (1, 1, 0)$
- (b) vector-like d -quarks: $d' \oplus d'^c \sim (3, 1, -\frac{1}{3}) \oplus (\bar{3}, 1, +\frac{1}{3})$
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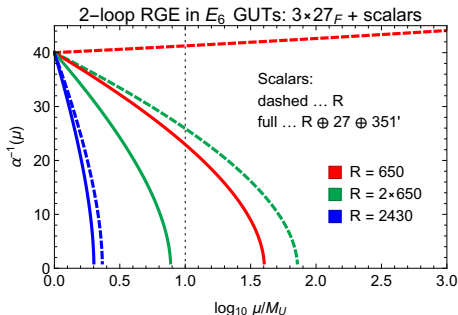
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- Landau pole at scale Λ
- non-renormalizable operators suppressed by $(M_U/\Lambda)^{D-4}$
- under control when $M_U/\Lambda \lesssim 10^{-1}$
- Only viable choice: **650**





(3) Symmetry breaking via **650** of E_6



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→ **Considered candidates**: 1st and 2nd column, **650** has H -singlet(s)

→ **Limitation**: we don't look one level deeper for little groups of 3rd column

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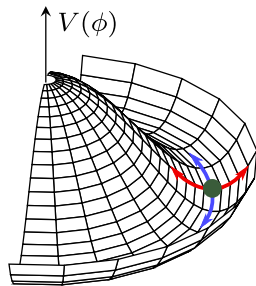
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- *Singlet ansatz*: take only $\mathbf{1}_H$ -directions in \mathbb{R}^{650}

- self-consistent ansatz
- need to solve only $\partial_{\mathbf{1}_H} V = 0$, other directions automatic
- compute **all** masses with $\partial_i \partial_j V$
- For local minimum: masses **positive** or **would-be Goldstones**





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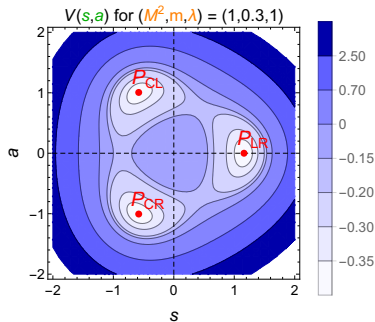
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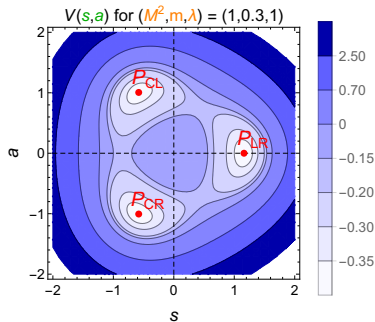
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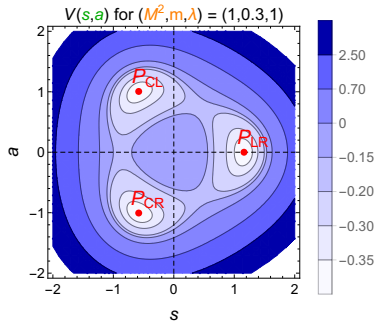
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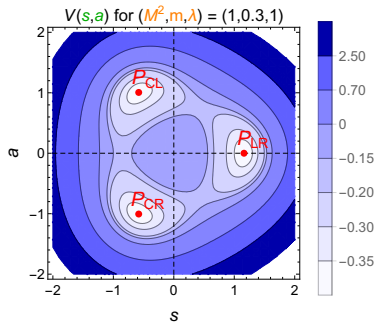
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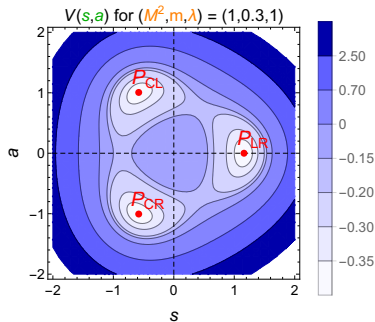
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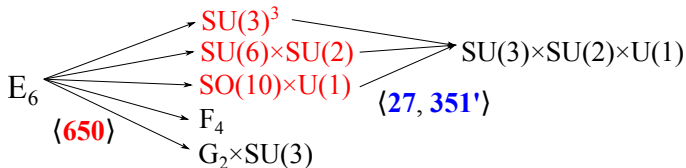
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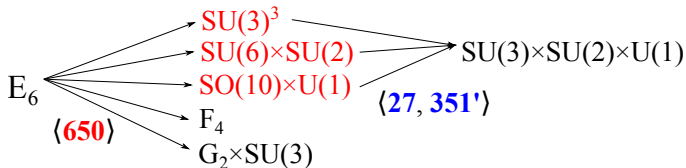


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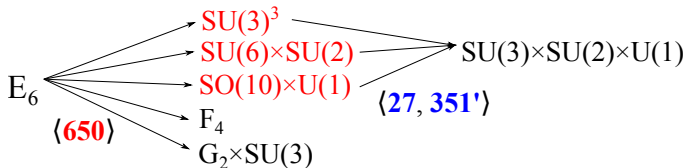
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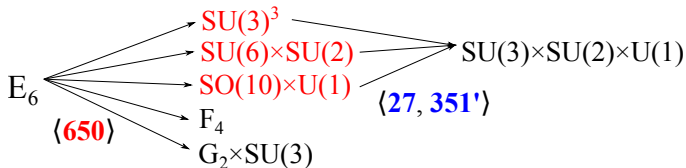
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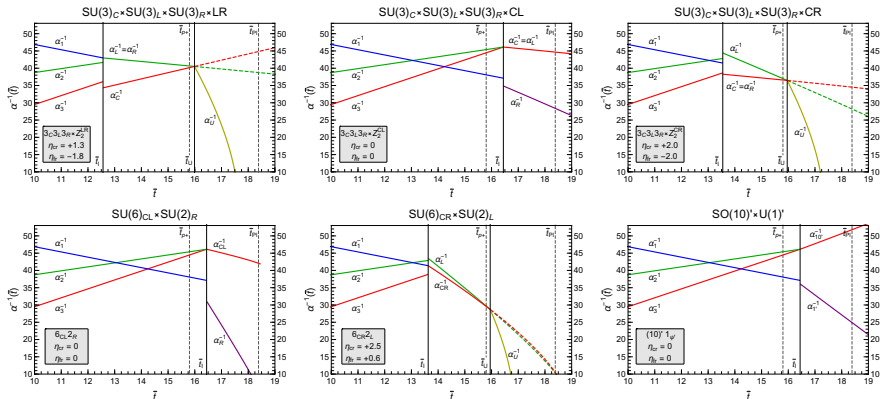


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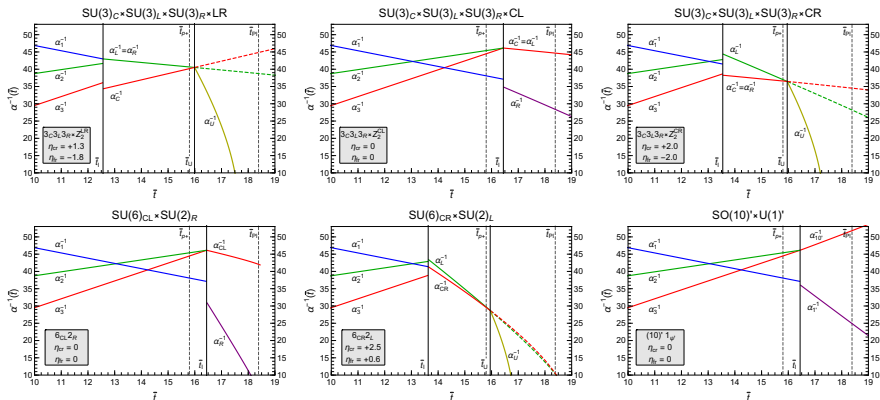
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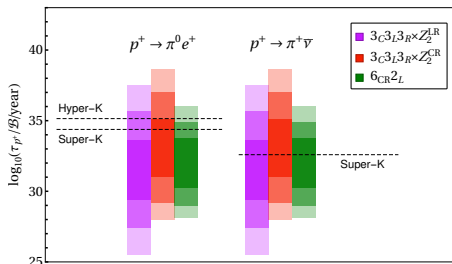
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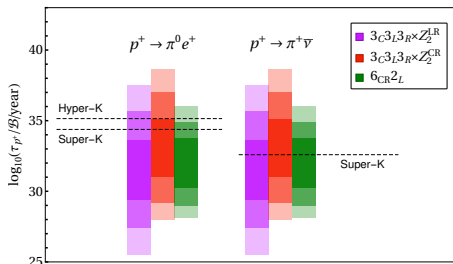
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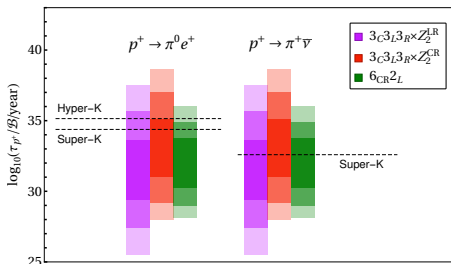
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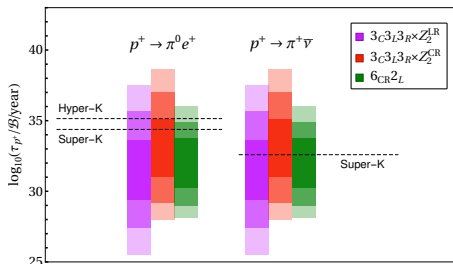
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