

# ON NEUTRINOS IN E6 GUT

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## Grand Unified Theories

Simplicity, minimality:

- Instead of 3 gauge couplings  $g_{1,2,3}$  in SM  $\rightarrow$  only  *$g_{GUT}$*
- 5 representations per generation  $Q, L, u^c, d^c, e^c \rightarrow$  less

$$SU(5) : \quad 10 = (Q, u^c, e^c) ; \quad \bar{5} = (d^c, L)$$

$$SO(10) : \quad 16 = (Q, u^c, e^c, d^c, L, \nu^c)$$

$$E_6 : \quad 27 = (Q, u^c, e^c, d^c, L, \nu^c, d', L'^c, d'^c, L', s)$$

- instead of 4 Yukawa's ( $Y_{U,D,E,N}$ ) in SM  $\rightarrow$  less  
 $\rightarrow$  neutrino mass matrix connected with charged lepton ones

- The gauge structure explains electric charge quantization  
 $\bar{5} = (d_1^c, d_2^c, d_3^c, \nu, e) \rightarrow 3q_{d^c} + q_\nu + q_e = 0 \rightarrow q_{d^c} = -q_e/3$   
 $\rightarrow$  existence of **magnetic monopoles** predicted
- Theory of proton decay:

$$\mathcal{L} = c_{ijkl} q_i q_j q_k l_l / \Lambda$$

$c_{ijkl}, \Lambda$  arbitrary in SM

in GUTs  $\Lambda = M_{GUT}$  and  $c_{ijkl}$  predicted (model dependent)

In principle operators with  $\Lambda = M_{Planck}$  could be present:

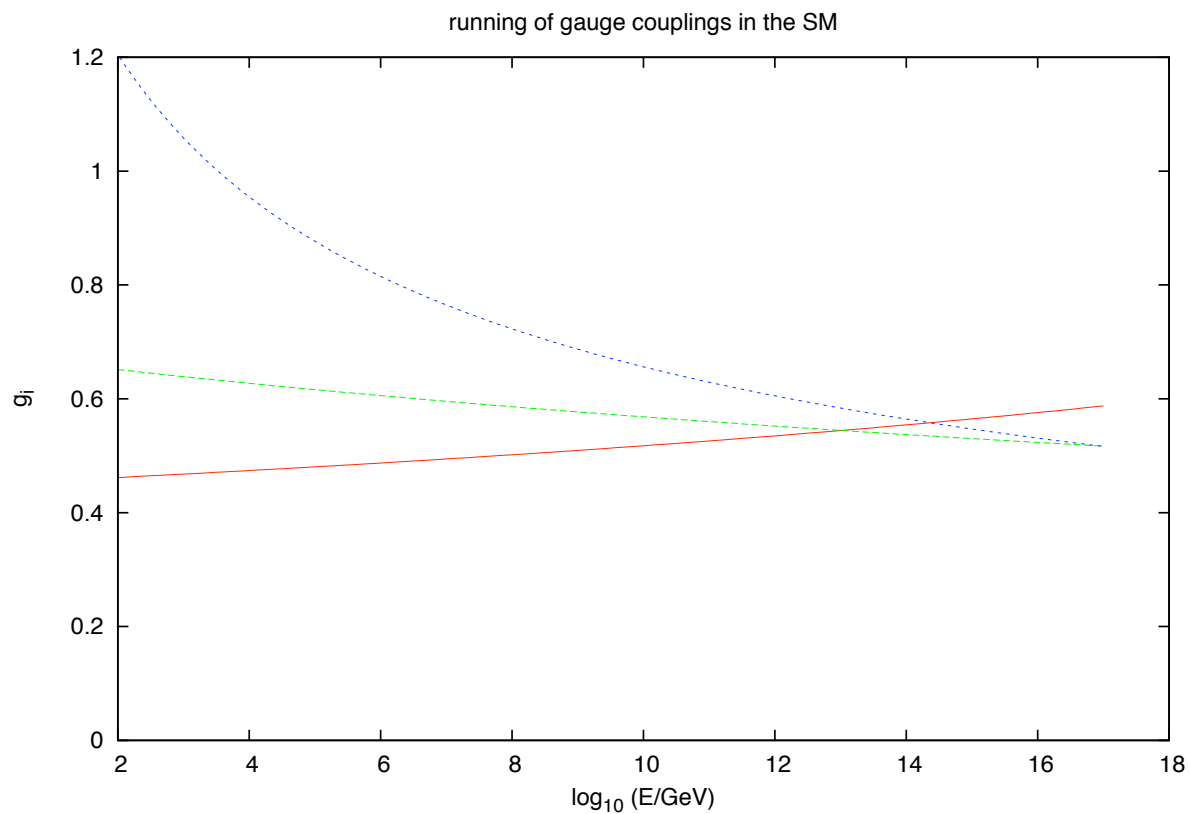
$$SU(5) : \quad c \, 10 \, 10 \, 10 \, \bar{5} / M_{Planck}$$

$$SO(10) : \quad c \, 16 \, 16 \, 16 \, 16 / M_{Planck}$$

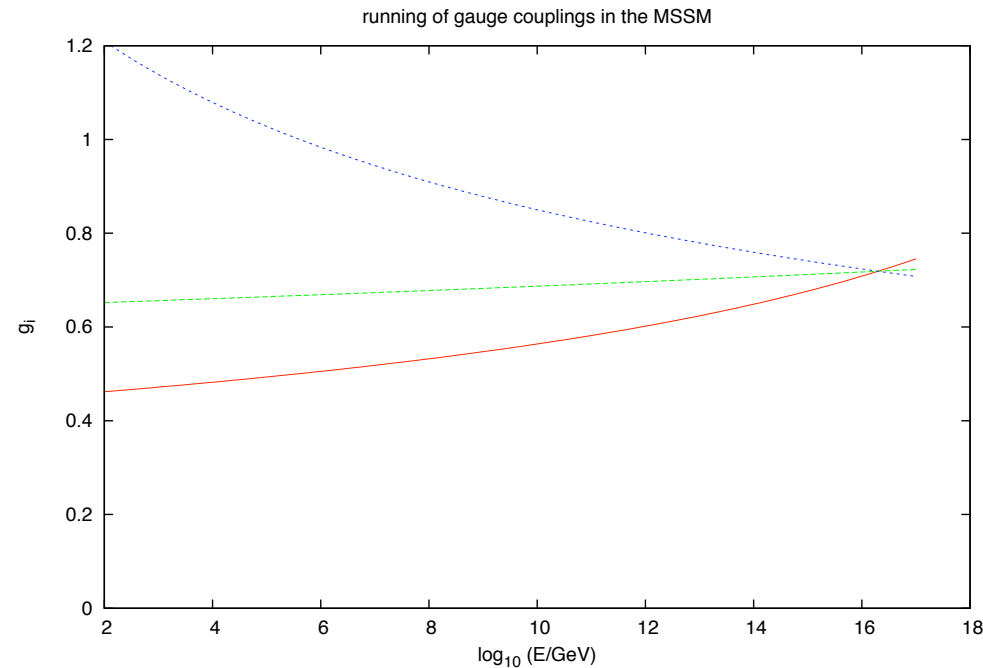
$$E_6 : \quad \text{no such term } 27^4 \text{ not invariant}$$

$c \lesssim 10^{-7}$ ! No explanation.

But what does it mean  $g_{1,2,3} \rightarrow g_5$  ( $g_1 \neq g_2 \neq g_3$ )? What if we run  $g_i$ , do they unify at some scale? Not completely:



New states needed. If you put MSSM at  $\approx 1$  TeV: unification at  $M_{GUT} \approx 10^{16}$  GeV



Not unique solution, but enough to motivate supersymmetry

## A motivation for $E_6$

The minimal supersymmetric GUT is the Georgi-Glashow SU(5):

- 3 copies of matter  $10_F + \bar{5}_F$
- Higgs sector  $24_H$  and  $5_H + \bar{5}_H$

If we stick to the TeV susy scale  $\rightarrow$

non-renormalizable terms needed to

- correct bad relation  $M_D = M_E$
- increase proton lifetime  
(to get unification color triplet  $M_T$  too low)

What is the minimal prize to pay to maintain renormalizability?

Add a vectorlike matter-type pair  $5_F + \bar{5}_F$ :

- of the four  $\bar{5}_F$  only 3 combinations are light (chiral):

$$\bar{5}_F^a (\eta_a 24_H + \mu_a) 5_F$$

the choice of these combinations breaks  $SU(5)$  by  $\langle 24_H \rangle$ : this corrects the bad relation  $M_D = M_E$

- The combination of heavy triplets can account for the heavy color triplet that corrects RGE's. Since this is matter-type, it does not contribute to proton decay



This elegant solution has two drawbacks:

- no theoretical (only phenomenological) motivation for the extra vectorlike  $5 + \bar{5}$
- what about neutrinos?  $SU(5)$  not a good theory of neutrinos

Incorporating all this into  $SO(10)$  does not help: ok for neutrinos, still no reason for extra  $5 + \bar{5}$

$E_6$  seems a good choice: similarly as  $SO(10)$  can put on a same footing neutrinos, but also extra vectorlike  $5 + \bar{5}$  in 27!

This is what we will assume.

## $E_6$ : few technicalities

In some sense it is similar as SU(N):

$$T_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n}^{\beta_1 \dots \beta_m}$$

SU(N):  $\alpha_i, \beta_j = 1, \dots, N$

E6:  $\alpha_i, \beta_j = 1, \dots, 27$  (fundamental)

SU(N):  $\epsilon_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_N}$  or  $\epsilon^{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_N}$ , made of  $0, \pm 1$

completely antisymmetric Levi-Civita tensor

E6:  $d^{\mu\nu\lambda}, d_{\mu\nu\lambda}$ , made of  $0, \pm 1$

completely symmetric tensor (but 0 if two indices equal)

The lowest dimensional representations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mathbf{27}^\mu \quad \dots \quad \text{fundamental} \\
 & \overline{\mathbf{27}}_\mu \quad \dots \quad \text{anti-fundamental} \\
 & \mathbf{78}^\mu{}_\nu \quad \dots \quad \text{adjoint } (= (t^A)^\mu{}_\nu \mathbf{78}^A) \\
 & \mathbf{351}^{\mu\nu} = -\mathbf{351}^{\nu\mu} \quad \dots \quad \text{two indices antisymmetric} \\
 & \overline{\mathbf{351}}_{\mu\nu} = -\overline{\mathbf{351}}_{\nu\mu} \quad \dots \quad \text{two indices antisymmetric} \\
 & \mathbf{351}'^{\mu\nu} = +\mathbf{351}'^{\nu\mu} \quad \dots \quad \text{two indices symmetric } (d_{\lambda\mu\nu} \mathbf{351}'^{\mu\nu} = 0) \\
 & \overline{\mathbf{351}}'_{\mu\nu} = +\overline{\mathbf{351}}'_{\nu\mu} \quad \dots \quad \text{two indices symmetric } (d^{\lambda\mu\nu} \overline{\mathbf{351}}'_{\mu\nu} = 0) \\
 & \mathbf{650}^\mu{}_\nu \quad \dots \quad (650^\mu{}_\mu = (t^A)^\nu{}_\mu \mathbf{650}^\mu{}_\nu = 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

Invariants constructed in both  $SU(N)$  and  $E_6$  cases by products of tensors with all lower indices contracted (summed) with all upper indices.

$SU(5)$ :

$$\epsilon_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \alpha_3 \alpha_4 \alpha_5} A_{\alpha_6}^{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} B^{\alpha_3 \alpha_6} C^{\alpha_4} D^{\alpha_5 \alpha_7} E_{\alpha_7} \quad , \quad \alpha_i = 1, \dots, 5$$

$E_6$ :

$$d_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \alpha_3} d_{\alpha_4 \alpha_5 \alpha_6} A^{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} B^{\alpha_3} C^{\alpha_4} D^{\alpha_5 \alpha_6 \alpha_7} E_{\alpha_7} \quad , \quad \alpha_i = 1, \dots, 27$$

## Generic Yukawa sector in $E_6$

In all generality three types of Yukawas

$$W = 27_i \left( Y_{27}^{ij} 27 + Y_{\overline{351}'}^{ij} \overline{351}' + Y_{\overline{351}}^{ij} \overline{351} \right) 27_j$$

$$Y_{27, \overline{351}'} = Y_{27, \overline{351}'}^T \quad \text{symmetric}$$

$$Y_{\overline{351}} = -Y_{\overline{351}}^T \quad \text{antisymmetric}$$

Completely analogous to SO(10):

$$W = 16_i \left( Y_{10}^{ij} 10 + Y_{\overline{126}}^{ij} \overline{126} + Y_{120}^{ij} 120 \right) 16_j$$

$$Y_{10, \overline{126}} = Y_{10, \overline{126}}^T \quad \text{symmetric}$$

$$Y_{120} = -Y_{120}^T \quad \text{antisymmetric}$$

In fact

$$\begin{aligned}
 27 &= 1 + 10 + 16 \\
 \overline{351}' &= 1 + 10 + \overline{16} + 54 + \overline{126} + 144 \\
 \overline{351} &= 10 + \overline{16} + 16 + 45 + 120 + 144
 \end{aligned}$$

But now also extra Higgs doublets in 10, 16 and 144

→ mixing between  $16_i$ ,  $10_i$  and  $1_i$  in matter  $27_i$ .

The antisymmetric  $\overline{351}$  contribution (similar as 120 in SO(10)) seems less promising so we will concentrate on the symmetric 27 and  $\overline{351}'$  from now on.

But we will leave the possibility of multiple 27.

$$\begin{aligned}
W = & \begin{pmatrix} 16 & 10 & 1 \end{pmatrix} Y_{27} \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 16 & 0 \\ 16 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 10 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 16 \\ 10 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\
& + \begin{pmatrix} 16 & 10 & 1 \end{pmatrix} Y_{351'} \begin{pmatrix} \overline{126} + 10 & 144 & \overline{16} \\ 144 & 54 & 10 \\ \overline{16} & 10 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 16 \\ 10 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

- several new Higgs doublets (not only in 10 and  $\overline{126}$ )
- some fields have large  $\mathcal{O}(M_{GUT})$  vevs  $\rightarrow$ 
  - mixing between  $\bar{5} \in 16$  and  $\bar{5} \in 10$  ( $d^c, L$ )
  - mixing between  $1 \in 1$  and  $1 \in 16$  ( $\nu^c$ )
- $M_{3 \times 3}^U, M_{6 \times 6}^D, M_{6 \times 6}^E, M_{15 \times 15}^N \rightarrow$  light  $(M_{U,D,E,N})_{3 \times 3}$

## Higgs sector with $351' + \overline{351}' + 27 + \overline{27}$

- What are the large vevs that produce family mixings with vectorlike extra matter?
- Where are the MSSM Higgs doublets?

The full model needed.

The minimal Higgs sector with  $E_6 \rightarrow \text{SM}$  composed of  $351' + \overline{351}' + 27 + \overline{27}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 W &= m_{351'} \overline{351}' 351' + \lambda_1 351'^3 + \lambda_2 \overline{351}'^3 \\
 &+ m_{27} \overline{27} 27 + \lambda_3 27 27 \overline{351}' + \lambda_4 \overline{27} \overline{27} 351' \\
 &+ \lambda_5 27^3 + \lambda_6 \overline{27}^3
 \end{aligned}$$



The SM singlets:

$$27 : c_1, c_2$$

$$\overline{27} : d_1, d_2$$

$$351' : e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5$$

$$\overline{351'} : f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5$$

More than one solution. For example:

$$c_2 = e_2 = e_4 = 0,$$

$$d_2 = f_2 = f_4 = 0$$

$$e_1 = -\frac{m_{351'}}{6\lambda_1^{2/3}\lambda_2^{1/3}},$$

$$d_1 = \frac{m_{351'}m_{27}}{2\lambda_3\lambda_4c_1}$$

$$f_1 = -\frac{m_{351'}}{6\lambda_1^{1/3}\lambda_2^{2/3}}$$

$$e_3 = -\lambda_3c_1^2/m_{351'},$$

$$f_3 = -\frac{m_{351'}m_{27}^2}{4\lambda_3^2\lambda_4c_1^2}$$

$$e_5 = \frac{m_{351'}}{3\sqrt{2}\lambda_1^{2/3}\lambda_2^{1/3}},$$

$$f_5 = \frac{m_{351'}}{3\sqrt{2}\lambda_1^{1/3}\lambda_2^{2/3}}$$

with

$$0 = |m_{351'}|^4|m_{27}|^4 + 2|m_{351'}|^4|m_{27}|^2|\lambda_3|^2|c_1|^2 \\ - 8|m_{351'}|^2|\lambda_3|^4|\lambda_4|^2|c_1|^6 - 16|\lambda_3|^6|\lambda_4|^2|c_1|^8$$

This case seems really minimal:  $27$  and  $\overline{351}'$  that participate to symmetry breaking could contribute to Yukawa terms!

Can the weak doublets with  $Y = \pm 1$  in  $27$  and  $\overline{351}'$  be the Higgses  $H, \bar{H}$  of the MSSM?

Since  $E_6$  is a GUT, this means:

Can we make the doublet-triplet splitting with the massless eigenvector living in both  $27$  and  $\overline{351}'$ ?

## The doublet-triplet splitting

Problem present in all minimal GUTs. The prototype example in SU(5):

$$5_H = \begin{pmatrix} T \\ H \end{pmatrix}, \quad \bar{5}_H = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{T} \\ \bar{H} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} W_{Yukawa} &= Y_{\bar{5}}^{ij} \bar{5}_i 10_j \bar{5}_H + Y_{10}^{ij} 10_i 10_j 5_H \\ &\rightarrow Y_{\bar{5}}^{ij} (d_i^c Q_j + L_i e_j^c) \bar{H} + Y_{10}^{ij} u_i^c Q_j H \\ &+ Y_{\bar{5}}^{ij} (L_i Q_j + d_i^c u_j^c) \bar{T} + Y_{10}^{ij} (Q_i Q_j + u_i^c e_j^c) T \end{aligned}$$

$H, \bar{H} \dots$  Higgses of MSSM  $\rightarrow M_H \approx m_Z$

$T, \bar{T}$  mediate proton decay  $\tau \propto M_T^2 \rightarrow M_T \approx M_{GUT} \gg m_Z$

How to get such a large splitting from components of same multiplet?

$$W = \mu \bar{5}_H 5_H + \eta \bar{5}_H 24_H 5_H$$

Since

$$\langle 24_H \rangle = M_{GUT} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$W = \bar{H} (\mu - 3\eta M_{GUT}) H + \bar{T} (\mu + 2\eta M_{GUT}) T$$

$$M_H = \mu - 3\eta M_{GUT} \approx 0$$

$$M_T = \mu + 2\eta M_{GUT} \approx M_{GUT}$$

$$\rightarrow \mu = 3\eta M_{GUT} \approx M_{GUT}$$

Fine-tuning unavoidable in minimal models

In our  $E_6$  case doublets and triplets live in  $351'$ ,  $\overline{351}'$ ,  $27$ ,  $\overline{27}$ .

$351'$  has 8 doublets (9 triplets)

$\overline{351}'$  has 8 doublets (9 triplets)

$27$  has 3 doublets (3 triplets)

$\overline{27}$  has 3 doublets (3 triplets)

All together 22 doublets (11 with  $Y = +1$  and 11 with  $Y = -1$ ):

doublet matrix  $M_D$  is  $11 \times 11$

All together 24 triplets (12 with  $Y = +2/3$  and 12 with  $Y = -2/3$ ):

triplet matrix  $M_T$  is  $12 \times 12$

analysis complicated by presence of would-be-Goldstones in

$16 + \overline{16} \in 78$

$\rightarrow M_{T,D}$  have automatically one zero eigenvalue

We need the determinant without the zero-modes:

$$\text{Det}(M) \equiv \prod_{i=2}^n m_i$$

We would like to get

$$\text{Det}(M_D) = 0 \quad , \quad \text{Det}(M_T) \neq 0$$

But after long calculation the result is:

$$\text{Det}(M_T) = \# \text{Det}(M_D)$$

i.e **doublet-triplet splitting impossible** !

Bizarre situation: all was ok, we seems to fail on doublet-triplet splitting. And not because we don't like fine-tuning, we cannot even fine-tune!



Simplest solutions:

- add another  $27 + \overline{27}$  pair with coupling

$$W_{DT} = m_{27} 27 \overline{27} + \kappa_1 27 27 \overline{351'} + \kappa_2 \overline{27} \overline{27} 351' \\ + \kappa_3 27 27 27 + \kappa_4 \overline{27} \overline{27} \overline{27}$$

with  $\langle 27 \rangle, \langle \overline{27} \rangle = \mathcal{O}(m_Z)$

DT splitting now possible: MSSM Higgs live only in  $27, \overline{27}$

In spite of this 3 Yukawa matrices involved.

- add another  $78$ : although it does not contribute to Yukawas, it changes the symmetry breaking pattern (not being needed) thus relaxing constraints on DT.

DT now possible in the old sector: MSSM Higgses live also in  $\overline{351'}$  and  $27$ !

This possibility more minimal, only 2 Yukawas.

## Higgs sector with $351' + \overline{351}' + 27 + \overline{27} + 78$

$$\begin{aligned}
 W &= m_{351'} \overline{351}' 351' + \lambda_1 351'^3 + \lambda_2 \overline{351}'^3 \\
 &+ m_{27} \overline{27} 27 + \lambda_3 27^2 \overline{351}' + \lambda_4 \overline{27}^2 351' \\
 &+ \lambda_5 27^3 + \lambda_6 \overline{27}^3 \\
 &+ m_{78} 78^2 + \lambda_7 27 78 \overline{27} + \lambda_8 351' 78 \overline{351}'
 \end{aligned}$$

Other SM singlets:

$$78 : a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5$$

Solution with  $a_i \neq 0$  shown explicitly to be possible. Disconnected with the previous one (no limit gives the previous solution with  $a_i \rightarrow 0$ ).

## Yukawa sector in the minimal $E_6$ model

As an example of what happens let's see the down sector:

$$\begin{pmatrix} d^{cT} & d'^{cT} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\nu}_2 Y_{27} + \left( \frac{1}{2\sqrt{10}} \bar{\nu}_4 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{6}} \bar{\nu}_8 \right) Y_{351'} & c_2 Y_{27} \\ -\bar{\nu}_3 Y_{27} - \left( \frac{1}{2\sqrt{10}} \bar{\nu}_9 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{6}} \bar{\nu}_{11} \right) Y_{351'} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{15}} f_4 Y_{351'} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ d' \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\bar{\nu}_{2,3,4,8,9,11} = \mathcal{O}(m_Z); c_2, f_4 = \mathcal{O}(M_{GUT})$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} d^c \in \bar{5}_{SU(5)} \in 16_{SO(10)} \\ d'^c \in \bar{5}_{SU(5)} \in 10_{SO(10)} \end{array} \right\} \text{mix}$$

$$d \in 10_{SU(5)} \in 16_{SO(10)}$$

$$d' \in 5_{SU(5)} \in 10_{SO(10)} \dots \text{heavy}$$

The matrix above has the form

$$\mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} m_1 & M_1 \\ m_2 & M_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $m_{1,2} = \mathcal{O}(m_Z)$  and  $M_{1,2} = \mathcal{O}(M_{GUT})$

All are  $3 \times 3$  matrices.

the idea is to find a  $6 \times 6$  unitary matrix  $\mathcal{U}$  that

$$\mathcal{U} \begin{pmatrix} M_1 \\ M_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \text{something} \end{pmatrix}$$

The solution is

$$\mathcal{U} = \begin{pmatrix} (1 + XX^\dagger)^{-1/2} & - (1 + XX^\dagger)^{-1/2} X \\ X^\dagger (1 + XX^\dagger)^{-1/2} & (1 + X^\dagger X)^{-1/2} \end{pmatrix}$$

with

$$X = M_1 M_2^{-1}$$

so that

$$\mathcal{U}\mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \underbrace{\mathcal{O}(m_Z)}_{\text{light sector}} & 0 \\ \mathcal{O}(m_Z) & \mathcal{O}(M_{GUT}) \end{pmatrix}$$

For charged fermions they turn out to be

$$M_U = -v_1 Y_{27} + \left( \frac{1}{2\sqrt{10}} v_5 - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{6}} v_7 \right) Y_{351'},$$

$$M_D^T = (1 + X X^\dagger)^{-1/2} \left( (\bar{v}_2 - \bar{v}_3 X) Y_{27} + \left( \frac{1}{2\sqrt{10}} (\bar{v}_4 - \bar{v}_9 X) + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{6}} (\bar{v}_8 - \bar{v}_{11} X) \right) Y_{351'} \right)$$

$$M_E = (1 + \frac{4}{9} X X^\dagger)^{-1/2} \left( (-\bar{v}_2 - \frac{2}{3} \bar{v}_3 X) Y_{27} + \left( -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{10}} (\bar{v}_4 + \frac{2}{3} \bar{v}_9 X) + \sqrt{\frac{3}{8}} (\bar{v}_8 + \frac{2}{3} \bar{v}_{11} X) \right) Y_{351'} \right)$$

with

$$X = -3 \sqrt{\frac{5}{3}} \frac{c_2}{f_4} Y_{27} Y_{351'}^{-1},$$

$X \rightarrow 0$  gives minimal SO(10), but here not available ( $c_2 \neq 0$ ) !

$Y_{27}$  and  $Y_{\overline{351}'}$  symmetric  $\rightarrow M_U$  symmetric

Not true for  $X$  and so not for  $M_{D,E}$

Choose system with  $M_U = M_U^d$  (diagonal). Then we can always parametrize

$$X = M_U^d Y$$

with

$$Y = Y^T \quad \text{symmetric}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
M_D^T &= (1 + M_U^d Y Y^* M_U^d)^{-1/2} \\
&\times (a + b (M_U^d Y) + c (M_U^d Y)^2) (d + (M_U^d Y))^{-1} M_U^d \\
M_E &= (1 + (4/9) M_U^d Y Y^* M_U^d)^{-1/2} \\
&\times (a' + b' (M_U^d Y) + c' (M_U^d Y)^2) (d + (M_U^d Y))^{-1} M_U^d \\
M_N &= (1 + (4/9) M_U^d Y Y^* M_U^d)^{-1/2} \\
&\times (a'' + b'' (M_U^d Y) + c'' (M_U^d Y)^2 + d'' (M_U^d Y)^3 \\
&\quad + e'' (M_U^d Y)^4) (d + (M_U^d Y))^{-1} M_U^d \\
&\times (1 + (4/9) M_U^d Y^* Y M_U^d)^{-1/2}
\end{aligned}$$

- Neutrino mass sum of type I and type II contributions
- $a, b, c, d, a', b', c', a'', b'', c'', d'', e''$  are  $f(c_a, f_b, v_i, \bar{v}_j, m_i, \lambda_j)$
- Highly nonlinear, seems hopeless (unless numerically)



But remember that (let's simplify our life assuming  $N_g = 2$ )

- any function of a  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $M$  can be always written as

$$f(M) = \alpha + \beta M$$

with  $\alpha, \beta$  written with invariants of  $M$ .

- Any  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A$  can be written as (with basis chosen)

$$A = a_1 + a_2 M_U^d + a_3 Y + a_4 M_U^d Y$$

This simplifies the work and decreases number of unknowns (combinations)

$$\begin{aligned}
M_D^T &= (1 + M_U^d Y Y^* M_U^d)^{-1/2} \\
&\times (\alpha + \beta M_U^d Y) M_U^d \\
M_E &= (1 + (4/9) M_U^d Y Y^* M_U^d)^{-1/2} \\
&\times (\alpha' + \beta' M_U^d Y) M_U^d \\
M_N &= (1 + (4/9) M_U^d Y Y^* M_U^d)^{-1/2} \\
&\times (\alpha'' + \beta'' M_U^d Y) M_U^d \\
&\times (1 + (4/9) M_U^d Y^* Y M_U^d)^{-1/2}
\end{aligned}$$

$N_g = 2$  case

Unknowns (9):

$\alpha, \beta, \alpha', \beta', \alpha'', \beta'',$

$Y_1 \equiv \text{Tr}(Y), Y_2 \equiv \det(Y), Z \equiv \text{Tr}(M_U^d Y)$

To fit (7):

$m_s, m_b, m_\mu, m_\tau, V_{cb},$

$\Delta m_{23}^2, \sin^2 \theta_{23}$

Apparently possible to fit, but turns out not easy!

$N_g = 3$  case

$$f(M) = \alpha + \beta M + \gamma M^2$$

Unknowns (15):

$\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \alpha', \beta', \gamma', \alpha'', \beta'', \gamma'',$

$Y_{1,2,3}, Z_{1,2,3}$

To fit (14):

$m_d, m_s, m_b, m_e, m_\mu, m_\tau, \theta_{1,2,3}^q,$

$\theta_{1,2,3}^l, \Delta m_{23}^2, \Delta m_{12}^2$

Still looks possible to fit, but even harder

## Conclusions

- $E_6$  a respectable (although complicated) theory
- shown examples of (so far) realistic cases or even possibly (nontrivially) ruled out

Some open questions:

- Neutrino mass scale should be lower than  $M_{GUT}$ . To get it the full mass spectrum at that scale should be known and included in gauge couplings RGEs
- Landau pole very close just above  $M_{GUT}$ . Any possibility to treat it ?