

# **The Super-little Higgs**

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# Outline

- The fine tuning of SUSY and little Higgs theories – why and how to combine them?
- The simplest little Higgs and SUSY
- A beautiful (old) SU(6) GUT model and a super-little Higgs
- Higgs potential and quartic coupling
- Phenomenology
  - Gauge coupling unification
  - Extra fermions
  - LHC
- Conclusions

# The Fine Tuning of SUSY

- SUSY solves hierarchy – no quadratic divergences
- But log divergences are present
- General Higgs potential of MSSM:

$$V(H_1, H_2) = (m_{H_1}^2 + \mu^2)|H_1|^2 + (m_{H_2}^2 + \mu^2)|H_2|^2 - B\mu(H_1 H_2 + \text{h.c.}) + \frac{g^2}{2}(H_1^\dagger \vec{\tau} H_1 + H_2^\dagger \vec{\tau} H_2)^2 + \frac{g'^2}{2}(H_1^\dagger H_1 - H_2^\dagger H_2)^2$$

- EWSB can happen only due to soft SUSY breaking terms

$$M_Z^2 = 2 \left( \frac{m_{H_1}^2 - m_{H_2}^2 \tan^2 \beta}{\tan^2 \beta - 1} - \mu^2 \right)$$

- For large  $\tan \beta$  (needed for Higgs mass) and neglecting  $\mu$

$$M_Z^2 \sim -2m_{H_2}^2$$

- Leading expression

$$M_Z^2 = \frac{3y_t^2}{2\pi^2} m_{\tilde{t}}^2 \ln \frac{f}{m_{\tilde{t}}}$$

- One loop suppressed vs. stop mass, but usually  $f \gg m_{\tilde{t}}$
- Log compensates loop suppression, need fine tuning to ensure  $f \sim \text{TeV}$

**Goal here: find a rationale why  $f \sim \text{TeV}$ , and thus avoid fine tuning of SUSY**

- Simplest possibility: Higgs a pseudo-Goldstone boson of symmetry broken at scale  $f$
- This idea already used in SUSY GUTs to solve D-T splitting

# Fine-tuning of Little Higgs

- Little Higgs: realistic model for Higgs as PGB
- Aim: to raise cutoff of SM to  $\sim 10$  TeV to solve little hierarchy
- But: Higgs does NOT look like generic PGB!

$$V(h) = \underbrace{0 \cdot |h|^2 + 0 \cdot |h|^4}_{\text{Tree-level vanishes}} + \underbrace{f^4 \cos^n(|h|/f)}_{\text{Generic PGB pot.}}$$

**Tree-level vanishes  
Due to PGB nature**

**Generic PGB pot.**

- Both mass and quartic generated at one loop:  $\langle h \rangle \sim f$
- Does not raise cutoff  $\Lambda = 4\pi f$
- Little higgs introduces Collective symmetry breaking

$$m^2 = 0 \cdot \Lambda^2 + \frac{\mathcal{O}(g^2, \lambda_t^2)}{(4\pi)^2} f^2$$

$$\lambda_h = \mathcal{O}(g^2, \lambda_t^2)$$

- Higgs VEV now  $\langle h \rangle \sim f/4\pi$

# Fine-tuning of Little Higgs

- But: many new states at the  $f \sim \text{TeV}$  scale
- Generically large corrections to EWPO's
- In the end usually need  $f \sim 4\text{-}5 \text{ TeV}$  to avoid conflict
- Possible way out: T-parity (Cheng & Low) – will not use here

MSSM:

$$m^2 \sim \frac{\mathcal{O}(g^2, \lambda_t^2)}{(4\pi)^2} m_{\text{soft}}^2 \ln \frac{\Lambda}{m_{\text{soft}}}$$

Problem: large log,  
EWPT not a problem  
due to R-parity

LH:

$$m^2 \sim \frac{\mathcal{O}(g^2, \lambda_t^2)}{(4\pi)^2} f^2 \ln \frac{f}{m_{\text{soft}}}$$

Problem: EWPT

Problems complementary

Super-little Higgs:

$$m^2 \sim \frac{\mathcal{O}(g^2, \lambda_t^2)}{(4\pi)^2} m_{\text{soft}}^2 \ln \frac{f}{m_{\text{soft}}}$$

If we take  $m_{\text{soft}} \sim$  few 100 GeV (usual SUSY bound)

$f \sim$  4-5 TeV (EWP bound on LH, cuts off log)

$$\langle h \rangle \sim \frac{m_{\text{soft}}}{4\pi} \left[ \log \left( \frac{f}{m_{\text{soft}}} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \sim \mathcal{O}(100 \text{ GeV})$$

Higgs VEV super-little!

# The simplest little Higgs

Schmaltz; Schmaltz & Kaplan

- Extend  $SU(2) \times U(1)$  to  $SU(3) \times U(1)$
- Use two sets of triplets  $H_1, H_2$  to break  $SU(3) \times U(1) \rightarrow SU(2) \times U(1)$
- If no  $H_1 H_2$  -type terms, global symmetry breaking pattern

$$\begin{array}{ccc} SU(3)_{H_1} & \times & SU(3)_{H_2} \\ \downarrow \langle H_1 \rangle & & \downarrow \langle H_2 \rangle \\ SU(2) & & SU(2) \end{array}$$

- Two sets of Goldstones, one set eaten, one set remains as physical pseudo-Goldstone boson (PGB)

$$\Pi = \begin{pmatrix} & h_1 & \\ h_1^* & h_2^* & \end{pmatrix} \quad H_1 = e^{i\Pi/f} \begin{pmatrix} \\ f \end{pmatrix} \quad H_2 = e^{-i\Pi/f} \begin{pmatrix} \\ f \end{pmatrix}$$

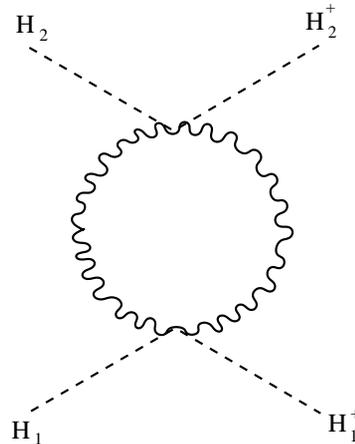
# Collective breaking

Arkani-Hamed, Cohen, Georgi

- Gauging of diagonal SU(3) explicitly breaks global sym.
- Symmetry breaking terms:

$$|gA_\mu H_1|^2 + |gA_\mu H_2|^2$$

- If either coupling turned off: larger global symmetry intact
- Any diagram contributing to Higgs mass has to involve both
- Lowest vertex:



# SUSY and little Higgs: a difficult marriage

- Make it supersymmetric:  $H_1 \rightarrow H_1, \bar{H}_1$
- Two sets of chiral SF's  $H_2 \rightarrow H_2, \bar{H}_2$
- Generic VEVs and parameterization:

$$\begin{aligned} H_1 &= e^{i\Pi F_2/F_1 F} (0, 0, f_1/\sqrt{2}), & \bar{H}_1 &= (0, 0, \bar{f}_1/\sqrt{2}) e^{-i\Pi F_2/F_1 F} \\ H_2 &= e^{i\Pi F_1/F_2 F} (0, 0, f_2/\sqrt{2}), & \bar{H}_2 &= (0, 0, \bar{f}_2/\sqrt{2}) e^{-i\Pi F_1/F_2 F} \end{aligned}$$

- But D-terms **necessarily break** global symmetry at tree-level:

$$\begin{aligned} V_D &\in \frac{g^2}{8} (|H_1^\dagger \cdot H_2|^2 - |\bar{H}_1 \cdot H_2|^2 - |\bar{H}_2 \cdot H_1|^2 + |\bar{H}_2^\dagger \cdot \bar{H}_1|^2) = \\ &\frac{g^2}{8} (f_1^2 - \bar{f}_1^2)(f_2^2 - \bar{f}_2^2) \cos^2 \left[ \frac{\sqrt{G^\dagger G}}{F} \left( \frac{F_1}{F_2} - \frac{F_2}{F_1} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

- Tree-level Goldstone mass if  $f_1 \neq \bar{f}_1$  or  $f_2 \neq \bar{f}_2$
- VEVs need to be supersymmetric, how to ensure?

Early attempt global symmetry only: Birkedal, Chacko, Gaillard; Pokorski et al.

## •Possibility #1:

Add a  $Z_2$  symmetry in one of the H sectors

Berezhiani, Chankowski, Falkowski, Pokorski;  
Roy, Schmaltz

## •Possibility #2:

Choose a gauge representation that ensures SUSY VEV

$$H_2, \bar{H}_2 \rightarrow \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} w & & h_1 \\ & w & h_2 \\ h_1^* & h_2^* & -2w \end{pmatrix}$$

- D-term issue automatically resolved
- Global sym. breaking pattern:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} SU(3)_\Sigma & \times & SU(3)_H \times U(1)_X \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ SU(2) \times U(1) & & SU(2) \times U(1) \end{array}$$

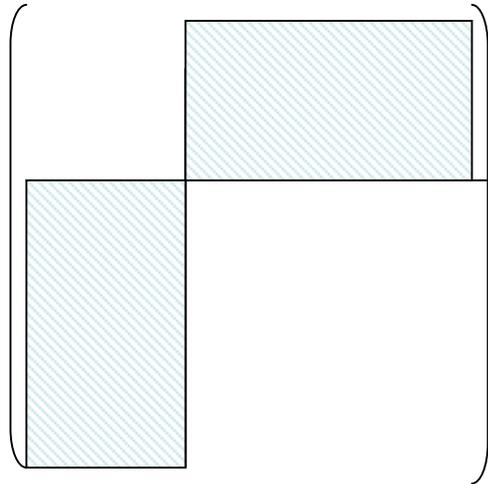
# A beautiful old model

Berezhiani, Dvali;  
Barbieri, Dvali, Strumia, Hall,  
Berezhiani, Randall, C.C.

- SU(6) GUT theory, with Higgs sector  $\Sigma, H$
- SU(6)xSU(6) global symmetry

$$\langle \Sigma \rangle = w \begin{bmatrix} 4 & & & & & \\ & 4 & & & & \\ & & -2 & & & \\ & & & -2 & & \\ & & & & -2 & \\ & & & & & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\langle H \rangle = \langle \bar{H} \rangle = (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, f)$$



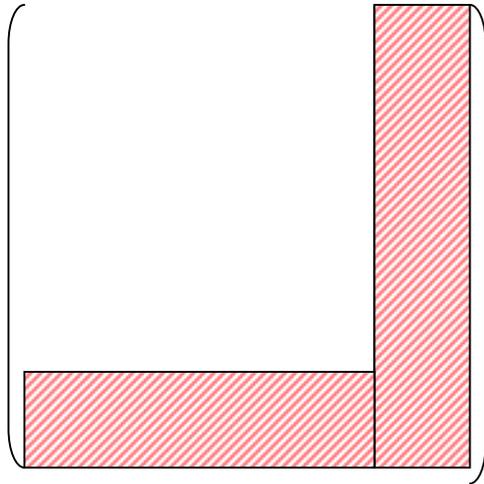
$$\text{SU}(6) \rightarrow \text{SU}(4) \times \text{SU}(2) \times \text{U}(1)$$

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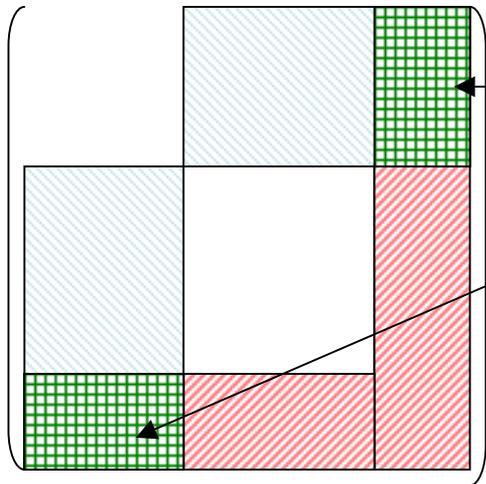
$$\text{SU}(6) \rightarrow \text{SU}(5)$$

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Uneaten Goldstone boson: one complex doublet

# Fermion sector of the SU(6) model

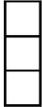
Barbieri, Dvali, Strumia,  
Bereziani, Hall

- SU(5):  $3 \times (10 + \bar{5})$
- SU(6):  $3 \times (15 + \bar{6} + \bar{6}')$  need to extend, more chiral fields?

• But Yukawa coupling:  $15_i^{ab} \bar{H}_a \bar{6}_b j$

- After VEV gives mass to  $3 \times (5 + \bar{5})$
- Chiral matter content that of SU(5) MSSM

To get natural top Yukawa coupling

- Unusual representation in SU(6): 20, three-index antisym. 
- Self-adjoint (anomaly free), but no mass term:  $20^{abc} 20^{def} \epsilon_{abcdef} = 0$
- Under SU(5):  $20 \rightarrow 10 + \bar{10}$

- Renormalizable Yukawa couplings involving 20:

$$\lambda_1 20^{abc} H^d 15^{ef} + \lambda_2 20^{abc} \sum_e^d 20^{efg} \epsilon_{abcdfg}$$



Exchanges a 10 from 15  
with a 10 from 20



Produces an order one  
top Yukawa coupling 10 10 H

- Automatically has the collective breaking pattern:  
need both couplings to generate top mass

# The matter content of the super-little model

- Decompose  $SU(6)$  to  $SU(3) \times SU(3) \times U(1)$
- Automatically anomaly free, flavors universal
- Top Yukawa via collective breaking
- One set of PGB doublet

	$SU(3)_c$	$SU(3)_L$	$U(1)_X$
$H$	1	3	+1/3
$\bar{H}$	1	$\bar{3}$	-1/3
$\Sigma$	1	8	0
$2 \times D_{1,2,3}$	$\bar{3}$	1	+1/3
$2 \times L_{1,2,3}$	1	$\bar{3}$	-1/3
$U_{1,2,3}$	$\bar{3}$	1	-2/3
$E_{1,2,3}$	1	$\bar{3}$	+2/3
$Q_{1,2,3}$	3	3	0
$Q'$	$\bar{3}$	3	-1/3
$\bar{Q}'$	3	$\bar{3}$	+1/3

# The Higgs sector

- The superpotential (with  $\lambda' < 0.01$  to ensure global sym.)

$$W_{\text{Higgs}} = \frac{M}{2} \text{Tr} \Sigma^2 + \frac{\lambda}{3} \text{Tr} \Sigma^3 + S(\lambda'' H \bar{H} - M'^2) + \lambda' \bar{H} \Sigma H$$

- VEVs

$$\langle \Sigma \rangle = \text{diag} (w/2, w/2, -w), \quad \langle H \rangle = (0, 0, f/\sqrt{2}), \quad \langle \bar{H} \rangle = (0, 0, \bar{f}/\sqrt{2})$$

- Goldstones: ( $F^2 = (f^2 + \bar{f}^2)/2$ ,  $V^2 = F^2 + 9w^2$ )

$$H = \exp \left( i\pi \frac{3w}{FV} \right) \langle H \rangle,$$

$$\bar{H} = \langle \bar{H} \rangle \exp \left( -i\pi \frac{3w}{FV} \right)$$

$$\Sigma = \exp \left( -i\pi \frac{F}{3wV} \right) \langle \Sigma \rangle \exp \left( i\pi \frac{F}{3wV} \right)$$

- Pion matrix:

$$\Pi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0_2 & H_u \\ H_d^t & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Goldstone vs. sGoldstone

$$G \equiv (H_u + H_d^\dagger)/\sqrt{2}$$

$$\tilde{G} \equiv (H_u - H_d^\dagger)/\sqrt{2}$$

- Need to make sure VEV is along Goldstone direction (sGoldstone NOT protected by global symmetry)

## The top sector

- To ensure that matter content is that of MSSM

$$W_{\text{matter}} = \alpha_{ij} Q_i \bar{H} D_j + \beta_{ij} E_i \bar{H} L_j$$

- Will use trick from SU(6) model to get O(1) top Yukawa:

$$20 \rightarrow (\bar{3}, 3)_{-\frac{1}{3}} + (3, \bar{3})_{\frac{1}{3}} + \text{singlets}$$

$\uparrow$                        $\uparrow$   
 $Q'$                        $\bar{Q}'$

- Superpotential for top Yukawa:

$$W_{\text{top}} = \lambda_1 \bar{Q}' \Sigma Q' + \lambda_2 \bar{Q}' H U + \lambda_3 Q H Q'$$

- Has collective form: need all three couplings to generate top Yukawa

• Heavy top partners and top Yukawa:

$$M_{T_1}^2 = \lambda_1^2 w^2 + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_2^2 f^2, \quad M_{T_{2,3}}^2 = \frac{1}{4} (\lambda_1^2 w^2 + 2\lambda_3^2 f^2)$$

$$y_t = \frac{f^2 \sqrt{F^2 + 9w^2} \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \lambda_3}{F \sqrt{2(2w^2 \lambda_1^2 + f^2 \lambda_2^2)(w^2 \lambda_1^2 + 2f^2 \lambda_3^2)}}$$

# Electroweak precision constraints

- Little Higgs models usually tightly constrained, need T-parity
- SUSY models usually have R-parity (or matter parity)

Which one?

- T-parity does not commute with  $SU(3) \times U(1)$ :  $Z'$  T-even
- Constraint from  $Z'$  exchange:  $F > 3 \text{ TeV}$
- If  $w$  too small:  $SU(2)$  breaking VEV partly in triplet:  $w > 0.5 \text{ TeV}$

Assume  $F > 3 \text{ TeV}$ ,  $w > 0.5 \text{ TeV}$ , and impose usual R-parity

# Higgs potential

- D-terms do not give significant contribution to mass or quartic

$$\frac{(m_H^2 - m_{\bar{H}}^2)(f^2 - \bar{f}^2)}{(f^2 + \bar{f}^2)^2} w^2 G^2 \quad \text{for } f \gg w, m_H, m_{\bar{H}}$$

- But this is NOT enough: need to make sure VEV is actually along the Goldstone direction (NOT sGoldstone)

- Soft breaking terms + D-terms introduce mass and mixing

$$V_{soft} = m_H^2 |H|^2 + m_{\bar{H}}^2 |\bar{H}|^2 + m_\Sigma^2 \text{Tr} \Sigma^\dagger \Sigma$$

- Mixing matrix: 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & m_{G\tilde{G}}^2 \\ m_{G\tilde{G}}^2 & m_{\tilde{G}}^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- The mixing  $m_{G\tilde{G}}^2 \sim m_H^2 - m_{\bar{H}}^2$  can be suppressed by

$$m_\Sigma \sim \text{TeV} \gg m_H, m_{\bar{H}}$$

## The Higgs quartic

- Now we achieved the Higgs VEV along Goldstone  $\tan \beta \sim 1$
- No tree-level quartic from D-terms along this direction
- Top induced potential:

Mass term as expected super-little

$$m^2 \simeq -\frac{3}{8\pi^2} y_t^2 (m_{\tilde{t}}^2 - m_t^2) \left( 2 \ln \frac{m_{T_2}}{m_{\tilde{t}}} + 1 + 2c \ln \frac{m_{T_1}}{m_{T_2}} \right)$$

Quartic too small to exceed 115 GeV Higgs mass

$$\lambda \simeq \frac{3y_t^4}{8\pi^2} \left( \ln \frac{m_{\tilde{t}}}{m_t} + \frac{A_t^2}{2m_{\tilde{t}}^2} \left( 1 - \frac{A_t^2}{12m_{\tilde{t}}^2} \right) \right)$$

**Need a tree-level quartic!**

## A tree-level quartic

- Need operator that gives quartic but no mass to Goldstone
- Notoriously difficult in simplest little Higgs already
- Could try to get an NMSSM-type superpot. term  $SG^2$

First try:

$$S\bar{H}\Sigma H$$

- No good because  $\bar{H}\Sigma H = -\frac{f^2 w}{2} + \frac{V^2}{12w}|G|^2$  contains both a mass and a quartic
- Need to absorb VEV of operator: “sliding singlet”

Second try:

$$S(S' + \bar{H}\Sigma H)$$

- VEV absorbed since  $\langle S' \rangle = -\langle \bar{H}\Sigma H \rangle$  but also FULL Goldstone dependence absorbed

Third try:

$$\frac{1}{\Lambda}(SH + \frac{1}{\Lambda}S'\Sigma H)(\bar{S}\bar{H} + \Sigma\bar{H})$$

Similar to Roy and Schmaltz

- “collective sliding singlet”
- VEV’s will cancel: no mass
- Goldstone dependence remains: O(1) tree-level quartic
- Operator could be generated via exchange of heavy triplets

EOM:

$$\bar{S}\bar{H}H + \bar{H}\Sigma H = 0,$$

$$\bar{S}\bar{H}\Sigma H + \bar{H}\Sigma^2 H = 0$$

Goldstone expansion:

$$\bar{S}f^2 + (-wf^2 + V^2|G|^2/6w) = 0$$

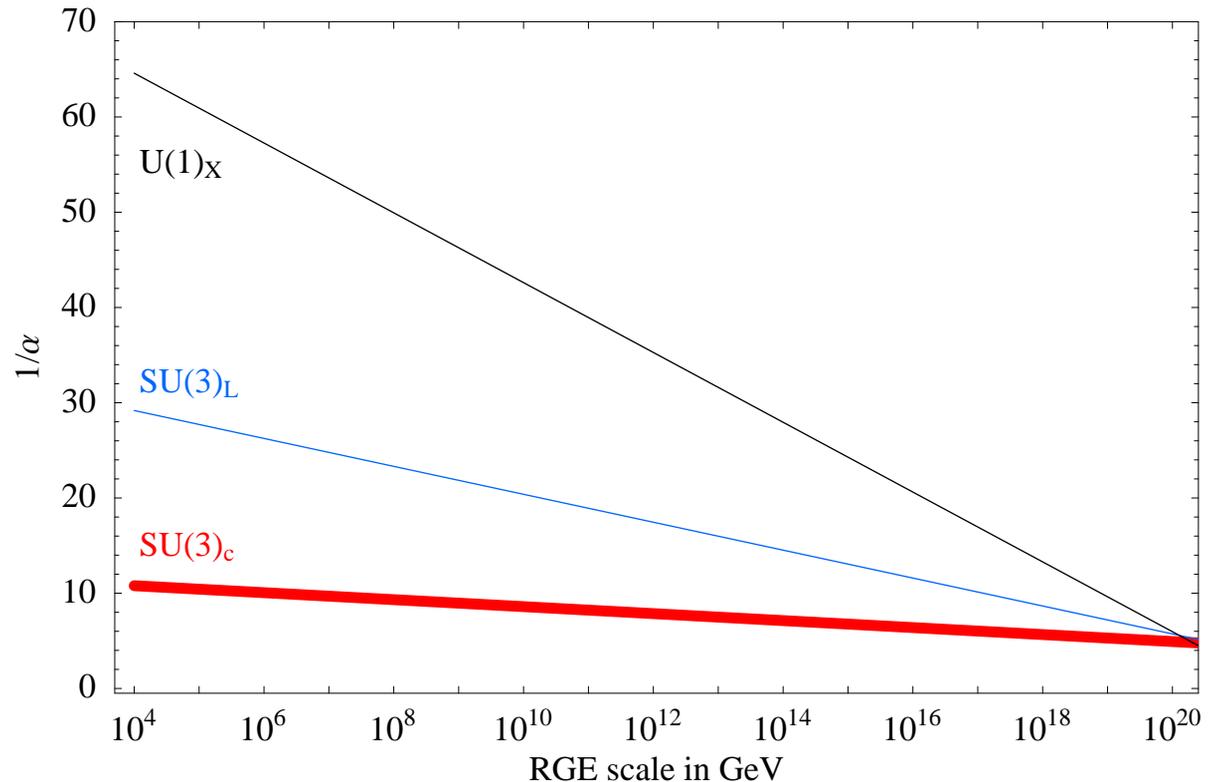
$$\bar{S}(-wf^2 + V^2|G|^2/6w) + (f^2w^2 - V^2|G|^2/6) = 0$$

## Other possibilities for generating the quartic

- Use MSSM quartic, but may still be too small (as MSSM has generically hard time getting a heavy higgs)  
(Berezhiani, Chankowski, Falkowski, Pokorski)
- Can be implemented here as well, need extra triplets in  $\Sigma$  sector, and  $w \square f, \bar{f}$ 
  - Most recently: supersymmetric version of twin Higgs idea  
(Chacko, Goh, Harnik)
  - Falkowski, Pokorski, Schmaltz: VEV still along  $\tan \beta = 1$
  - Still need 4 singlets, though superpotential less complicated
  - Chang, Hall, Weiner: use soft D-term breaking
  - In the end Higgs mass suppression comes down to controlling soft masses to a scalar and a triplet

# Grand Unification?

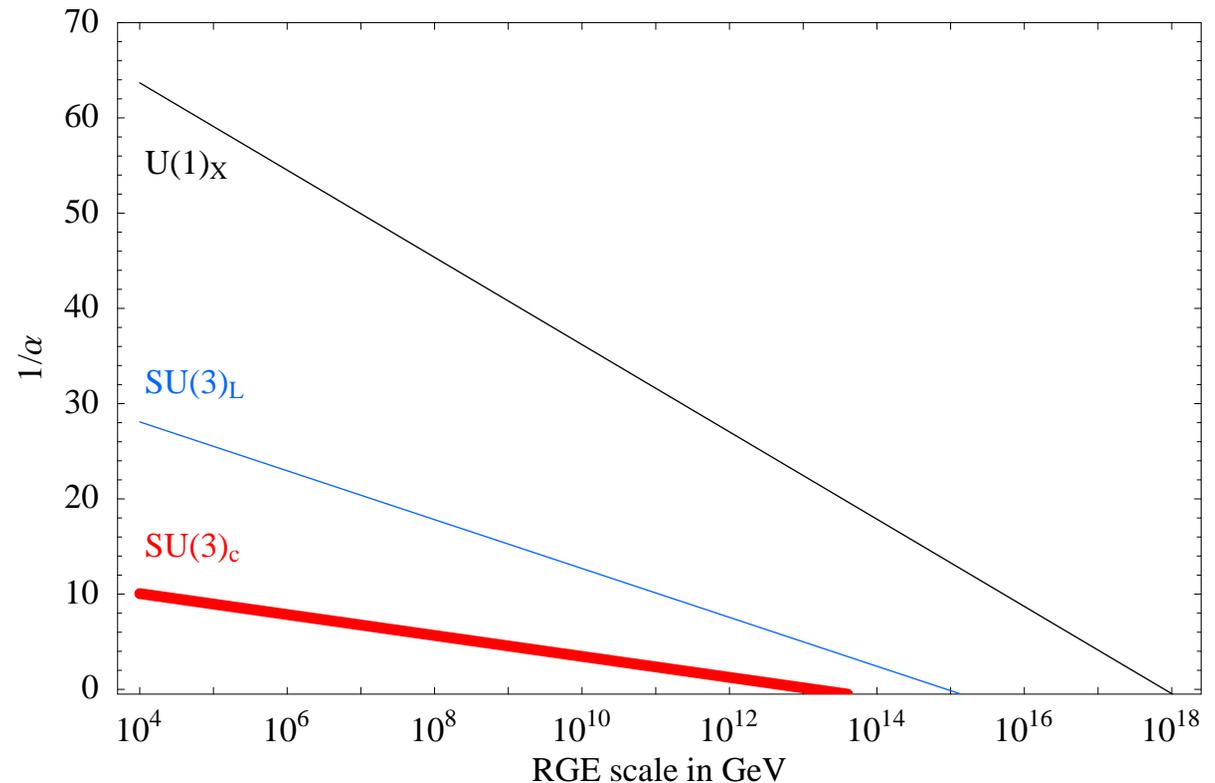
The good news:



The beta functions are such that unification would happen at a high scale ( $\sim$ Planck) with the minimal fermion matter content

# Grand Unification?

The bad news:



- Adding the matter needed for generating the top Yukawa will introduce Landau pole before unification
- Seiberg duality, duality cascade a la Klebanov, Strassler?
- Unifies into string theory on warped throat? Meaning of betas?

## New particles at LHC

- At low energies model=MSSM with  $m \sim$  few 100 GeV
- R-parity conservation: traditional SUSY searches apply
- Around  $f \sim$  TeV: lot of new states: little partners+their superpartners

### Gauge bosons

- $Z'$ : from EWP  $m > 1.7$  TeV. Should be cleanly visible to multi-TeV range (can be singly produced)
- $W'$ :  $m > 1.5$  TeV, but couplings for single production  $v/f$  suppressed

### Heavy top partners

- Expected in 2-3 TeV range (if  $f$  close to lower bound)
- LHC reach  $\sim$  2-2.5 TeV

## Other additional fermions

- Main distinction from usual 3-3-1 charge assignment:

Anomaly free  
Generation independent

- Singlet leptons extended into SU(3) triplets (rather than singlets)
  - Vectorlike SU(2) singlet quarks from Q,D': O(f) mass
  - Vectorlike SU(2) doublet leptons from E,L': O(f) mass
  - Two light SU(2) singlet "sterile neutrino" from L,L'
    - Light (no renormalizable mass)
    - Not completely sterile (SU(3) interactions)
    - Can add full SU(6) states to give them O(f) mass

# Conclusions

- SUSY models could still be natural if Higgs super-little:

$$m_h^2 \sim \frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} m_{\text{soft}}^2 \ln \frac{f}{m_{\text{soft}}}$$

- Generic SUSY little Higgs models will NOT have this property:
  - D-terms induce tree-level mass
  - Non-Goldstones can be dominant for EWSB
- Simple model based on SU(6) SUSY GUT  $\rightarrow$  SU(3)xSU(3)xU(1)
- Higgs sector:  $\Sigma + H, \bar{H}$ 
  - Anomaly free, generation independent charges
  - No Goldstone mass from D-terms
  - Collective top Yukawa
  - Need acrobatics for quartic
  - Unification?
- New particles at LHC:
  - MSSM few 100 GeV
  - W', Z', T, extra fermions: few TeV
  - Sterile neutrinos