# UNIFICATION WITHOUT SUPERSYMMETRY: WHERE DO WE STAND?

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- SO(10) GUTs usually score better than SU(5) models
  - More predictive in the Yukawa sector (SM matter + RH neutinos into 3 16<sub>F</sub>'s)
  - Natural relief from the tensions with the simplest SU(5) models

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#### **NO GO !**?

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- Nothing prevents these couplings from entering at the quantum level !

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- For  $|a_2| < |0^{-2}$  the phenomenological vacua open up at the quantum level !
- Inherent to all the non-SUSY SO(10) models with a dominant  $<45_{H}>$

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Without SUSY it is natural to consider a  $126_{H}$  in place of  $16_{H}$ 

- RH neutrino mass scale much better:  $M_R \sim Y_{126} M_{B-L} \subset Y_{126} 16_F 16_F 126_H^*$
- Renormalizable Yukawa sector potentially predictive

[Babu, Mohapatra (1993); Bajc, Melfo, Senjanovic, Vissani (2005); Joshipura, Patel (2011)]

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BACKUP SLIDES



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# SO(10) AS A THEORY OF FERMION MASSES AND MIXINGS

Renormalizable Yukawa sector with  $10_H \oplus 126_H$ 

• SO(10) Yukawa

 $16_F (Y_{10}10_H + Y_{126}126_H^*) 16_F$ 

 $10_H = (1, 2, 2) + (6, 1, 1)$  $126_H^* = (15, 2, 2) + (10, 1, 3) + (\overline{10}, 3, 1) + (6, 1, 1)$ 

• Effective mass sum rule

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