

**The system of equations describing 4 generations with the symmetry group  
 $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)$**

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The system of 16-component equations including two equations of the Bethe-Salpeter kind (without an interaction) and two additional conditions are considered. It is shown that the group of the initial symmetry is  $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)$ . The symmetry group is established as the consequence of the field equations;  $SU(2)_L$  should be chiral, the color space has the signature  $(++-)$ . The structure of permissible multiplets of the group coincides with the one postulated in the  $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L$ -model of strong and electroweak interactions excluding the possible existence of the additional  $SU(2)_R$ -singlet in a generation. It is shown here that at least three puzzling features of the standard model: the existence of a few generations, the specific symmetry group, and the necessity to use its interwoven representations may originate from the composite nature of the fundamental fermions. \footnote{This paper (in Russian) was deposited in VINITI 19.12.1988 as VINITI No 8842-B88; it was an important stage in the development of my model of the composite fundamental fermions (see hep-th/0207210). Now I have translated it in English (small corrections are made) to do more available.}