

3. Electroweak Standard Model

preliminaries

Dirac matrices: γ^μ ($\mu = 0, 1, 2, 3$), $\gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu + \gamma^\nu \gamma^\mu = 2 g^{\mu\nu}$

$$\bar{\Gamma} = \gamma^0 (\Gamma)^\dagger \gamma^0, \quad \Gamma \text{ any Dirac matrix oder product of matrices}$$

further Dirac matrix: $\gamma_5 = i \gamma^0 \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \gamma^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{1} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\gamma_5 \gamma^\mu + \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 = 0, \quad \bar{\gamma}_5 = -\gamma_5, \quad \gamma_5^2 = \mathbf{1}$$

chiral fermions:

$$\psi^L = \frac{1-\gamma_5}{2} \psi \quad \textit{left-handed spinor, L-chiral spinor}$$

$$\psi^R = \frac{1+\gamma_5}{2} \psi \quad \textit{right-handed spinor, R-chiral spinor}$$

$$\textit{projectors on right/left chirality: } \omega_\pm = \frac{1\pm\gamma_5}{2}, \quad (\omega_\pm)^2 = \omega_\pm$$

chiral currents:

$$\overline{\psi^L} \gamma^\mu \psi^L = \overline{\psi} \gamma^\mu \frac{1-\gamma_5}{2} \psi \equiv J_L^\mu \quad \text{left-handed current}$$

$$\overline{\psi^R} \gamma^\mu \psi^R = \overline{\psi} \gamma^\mu \frac{1+\gamma_5}{2} \psi \equiv J_R^\mu \quad \text{right-handed current}$$

$$J_V^\mu = \overline{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi = J_L^\mu + J_R^\mu \quad \text{vector current}$$

$$J_A^\mu = \overline{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \psi = -J_L^\mu + J_R^\mu \quad \text{axialvector current}$$

mass term:

$$m \overline{\psi} \psi = m (\overline{\psi^L} \psi^R + \overline{\psi^R} \psi^L)$$

connects L and R !

symmetry group: $SU(2)_I \times U(1)_Y$

$SU(2)_I$: weak isospin, generators $T_I^a = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_a$ for L , $= 0$ for R

$U(1)_Y$: weak hypercharge, generator Y $T_I^3 + Y/2 = Q$

fermion content (ignoring possible right-handed neutrinos)

				T_I^3	Y	
leptons:	$\Psi_L^L =$	$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e^L \\ e^L \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu^L \\ \mu^L \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_\tau^L \\ \tau^L \end{pmatrix}$	$+\frac{1}{2}$	-1
	$\psi_l^R =$	e^R	μ^R	τ^R	0	-2
quarks:	$\Psi_Q^L =$	$\begin{pmatrix} u^L \\ d^L \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} c^L \\ s^L \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} t^L \\ b^L \end{pmatrix}$	$+\frac{1}{2}$	$+\frac{1}{3}$
	$\psi_u^R =$	u^R	c^R	t^R	0	$+\frac{4}{3}$
	$\psi_d^R =$	d^R	s^R	b^R	0	$-\frac{2}{3}$

gauge boson content

$SU(2)_I$: generators T_I^1, T_I^2, T_I^3

gauge fields $W_\mu^1, W_\mu^2, W_\mu^3$

also: $W_\mu^\pm = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (W_\mu^1 \mp i W_\mu^2), W_\mu^3$

$U(1)_Y$: generator Y

gauge field B_μ

$$[T_I^a, T_I^b] = i\epsilon_{abc} T_I^c, \quad [T_I^a, Y] = 0$$

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notation: $\not{\partial} = \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu, \not{a} = \gamma^\mu a_\mu$

Free Lagrangian of (still massless) fermions:

$$\mathcal{L}_{0,\text{ferm}} = i\overline{\psi}_f \not{\partial} \psi_f = i\overline{\Psi}_L^L \not{\partial} \Psi_L^L + i\overline{\Psi}_Q^L \not{\partial} \Psi_Q^L + i\overline{\psi}_l^R \not{\partial} \psi_l^R + i\overline{\psi}_u^R \not{\partial} \psi_u^R + i\overline{\psi}_d^R \not{\partial} \psi_d^R$$

Minimal substitution:

$$\partial_\mu \rightarrow D_\mu = \partial_\mu - ig_2 T_1^a W_\mu^a + ig_1 \frac{1}{2} Y B_\mu = D_\mu^L \omega_- + D_\mu^R \omega_+,$$

$$D_\mu^L = \partial_\mu - \frac{ig_2}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & W_\mu^+ \\ W_\mu^- & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{i}{2} \begin{pmatrix} g_2 W_\mu^3 - g_1 Y^L B_\mu & 0 \\ 0 & -g_2 W_\mu^3 - g_1 Y^L B_\mu \end{pmatrix},$$

$$D_\mu^R = \partial_\mu + ig_1 \frac{1}{2} Y^R B_\mu$$

Photon identification:

“rotation”:

$$\begin{pmatrix} Z_\mu \\ A_\mu \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_W & s_W \\ -s_W & c_W \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} W_\mu^3 \\ B_\mu \end{pmatrix}, \quad c_W = \cos \theta_W, \quad s_W = \sin \theta_W, \\ \theta_W = \text{mixing angle}$$

$$D_\mu^L \Big|_{A_\mu} = -\frac{i}{2} A_\mu \begin{pmatrix} -g_2 s_W - g_1 c_W Y^L & 0 \\ 0 & g_2 s_W - g_1 c_W Y^L \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{!}{=} ie A_\mu \begin{pmatrix} Q_1 & 0 \\ 0 & Q_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- charged difference in doublet $Q_1 - Q_2 = 1 \quad \rightarrow \quad g_2 = \frac{e}{s_W}$

- normalize $Y^{L/R}$ such that $g_1 = \frac{e}{c_W}$

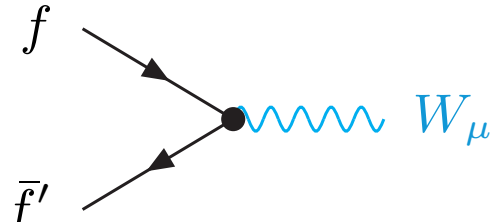
$\hookrightarrow Y$ fixed by “Gell-Mann–Nishijima relation”: $Q = T_1^3 + \frac{Y}{2}$

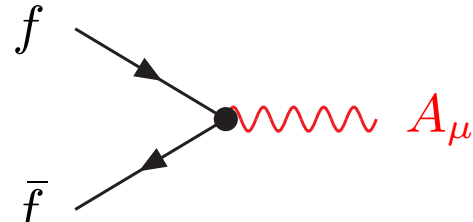
Fermion–gauge-boson interaction:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{ferm, YM}} = \frac{e}{\sqrt{2}s_W} \overline{\Psi}_F^L \begin{pmatrix} 0 & W^+ \\ W^- & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Psi_F^L + \frac{e}{2c_W s_W} \overline{\Psi}_F^L \sigma^3 Z \Psi_F^L$$

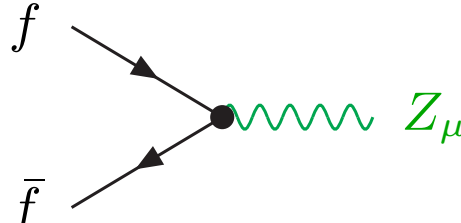
$$- e \frac{s_W}{c_W} Q_f \overline{\psi}_f Z \psi_f - e Q_f \overline{\psi}_f A \psi_f \quad (f = \text{all fermions}, F = \text{all doublets})$$

Feynman rules:



$$\frac{ie}{\sqrt{2}s_W} \gamma_\mu \omega_-$$


$$-iQ_f e \gamma_\mu$$



$$ie \gamma_\mu (g_f^+ \omega_+ + g_f^- \omega_-) = ie \gamma_\mu (v_f - a_f \gamma_5)$$

$$\text{with } g_f^+ = -\frac{s_W}{c_W} Q_f, \quad g_f^- = -\frac{s_W}{c_W} Q_f + \frac{T_{I,f}^3}{c_W s_W},$$

$$v_f = -\frac{s_W}{c_W} Q_f + \frac{T_{I,f}^3}{2c_W s_W}, \quad a_f = \frac{T_{I,f}^3}{2c_W s_W}$$

gauge field Lagrangian (Yang-Mills Lagrangian)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{YM}} = -\frac{1}{4}W_{\mu\nu}^a W^{a,\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4}B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$$

Field-strength tensors:

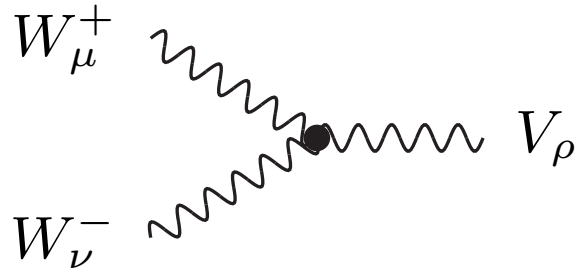
$$W_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu W_\nu^a - \partial_\nu W_\mu^a + g_2 \epsilon^{abc} W_\mu^b W_\nu^c, \quad B_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu B_\nu - \partial_\nu B_\mu$$

Lagrangian in terms of “physical” fields:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{YM}} = & -\frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu W_\nu^+ - \partial_\nu W_\mu^+)(\partial^\mu W^{-,\nu} - \partial^\nu W^{-,\mu}) \\ & - \frac{1}{4}(\partial_\mu Z_\nu - \partial_\nu Z_\mu)(\partial^\mu Z^\nu - \partial^\nu Z^\mu) - \frac{1}{4}(\partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu)(\partial^\mu A^\nu - \partial^\nu A^\mu) \\ & + \text{(trilinear interaction terms involving } AW^+W^-, ZW^+W^-) \\ & + \text{(quadrilinear interaction terms involving} \\ & \quad AAW^+W^-, AZW^+W^-, ZZW^+W^-, W^+W^-W^+W^-) \end{aligned}$$

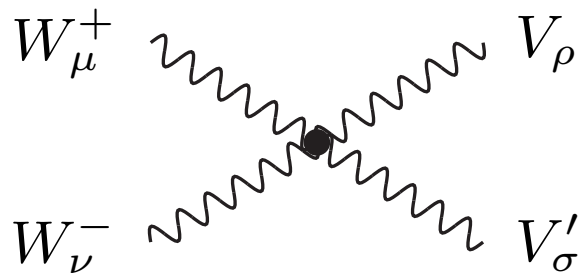
Feynman rules for gauge-boson self-interactions:

(fields and momenta incoming)



$$ieC_{WWV} \left[g_{\mu\nu}(k_+ - k_-)_\rho + g_{\nu\rho}(k_- - k_V)_\mu + g_{\rho\mu}(k_V - k_+)_\nu \right]$$

with $C_{WW\gamma} = 1$, $C_{WWZ} = -\frac{c_W}{s_W}$



$$ie^2 C_{WWVV'} \left[2g_{\mu\nu}g_{\rho\sigma} - g_{\mu\rho}g_{\sigma\nu} - g_{\mu\sigma}g_{\nu\rho} \right]$$

with $C_{WW\gamma\gamma} = -1$, $C_{WW\gamma Z} = \frac{c_W}{s_W}$,

$$C_{WWZZ} = -\frac{c_W^2}{s_W^2}, \quad C_{WWWW} = \frac{1}{s_W^2}$$

Higgs mechanism \Rightarrow masses of W and Z bosons

spontaneous breaking $SU(2)_I \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow U(1)_Q$
unbroken em. gauge symmetry, massless photon

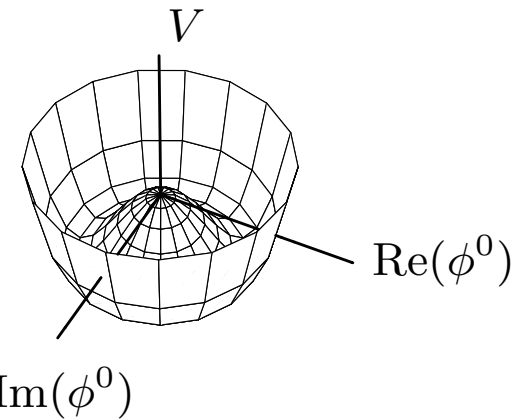
Minimal scalar sector with complex scalar doublet $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$, $Y_\Phi = 1$

Scalar self-interaction via Higgs potential:

$$V(\Phi) = -\mu^2 \Phi^\dagger \Phi + \frac{\lambda}{4} (\Phi^\dagger \Phi)^2, \quad \mu^2, \lambda > 0,$$

$= SU(2)_I \times U(1)_Y$ symmetric

$$V(\Phi) = \text{minimal for } |\Phi| = \sqrt{\frac{2\mu^2}{\lambda}} \equiv \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} > 0$$



ground state Φ_0 (=vacuum expectation value of Φ) not unique

specific choice $\Phi_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$ not gauge invariant \Rightarrow spontaneous symmetry breaking

emg. gauge invariance unbroken, since $Q\Phi_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Phi_0 = 0$

Field excitations in Φ :

$$\Phi(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+(x) \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(v + H(x) + i\chi(x) \right) \end{pmatrix}$$

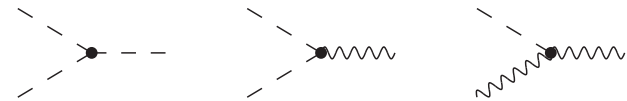
Gauge-invariant Lagrangian of Higgs sector: $(\phi^- = (\phi^+)^\dagger)$

$$\mathcal{L}_H = (D_\mu \Phi)^\dagger (D^\mu \Phi) - V(\Phi) \quad \text{with } D_\mu = \partial_\mu - ig_2 \frac{\sigma^a}{2} W_\mu^a + i \frac{g_1}{2} B_\mu$$

$$= (\partial_\mu \phi^+) (\partial^\mu \phi^-) - \frac{iev}{2s_W} (W_\mu^+ \partial^\mu \phi^- - W_\mu^- \partial^\mu \phi^+) + \frac{e^2 v^2}{4s_W^2} W_\mu^+ W^{-,\mu}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} (\partial\chi)^2 + \frac{ev}{2c_W s_W} Z_\mu \partial^\mu \chi + \frac{e^2 v^2}{4c_W^2 s_W^2} Z^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\partial H)^2 - \mu^2 H^2$$

+ (trilinear SSS , SSV , SVV interactions)



+ (quadrilinear $SSSS$, $SSVV$ interactions)



Implications:

- gauge-boson masses: $M_W = \frac{ev}{2s_W}$, $M_Z = \frac{ev}{2c_W s_W} = \frac{M_W}{c_W}$, $M_\gamma = 0$
- physical Higgs boson H : $M_H = \sqrt{2\mu^2} = \text{free parameter}$
- would-be Goldstone bosons ϕ^\pm, χ : unphysical degrees of freedom

general gauge: Goldstone fields ϕ^\pm, χ are present

required: gauge fixing term \mathcal{L}_{fix}

R_ξ gauge:

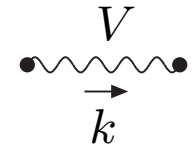
$$\mathcal{L}_{fix} = -\frac{1}{2\xi_\gamma} (F^\gamma)^2 - \frac{1}{2\xi_Z} (F^Z)^2 - \frac{1}{2\xi_W} (F^\pm)^2$$

with the gauge-fixing functionals F^a : (ξ_V = arbitrary gauge-fixing parameters)

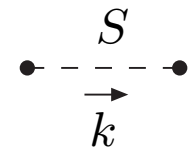
$$F^\pm = \partial W^\pm \mp i\xi_W M_W \phi^\pm, \quad F^Z = \partial Z - \xi_Z M_Z \chi, \quad F^\gamma = \partial A$$

(notation: $\partial A = \partial_\mu A^\mu, \dots$)

- elimination of mixing terms $(W_\mu^\pm \partial^\mu \phi^\mp)$, $(Z_\mu \partial^\mu \chi)$ in Lagrangian
 \hookrightarrow decoupling of gauge and would-be Goldstone fields (no mix propagators)
- boson propagators:



$$D_{\mu\nu}^{VV}(k) = -i \left[\frac{g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{k_\mu k_\nu}{k^2}}{k^2 - M_V^2} + \frac{k_\mu k_\nu}{k^2} \frac{\xi_V}{k^2 - \xi_V M_V^2} \right], \quad V = W, Z, \gamma$$



$$D^{SS}(k) = \frac{i}{k^2 - \xi_V M_V^2}, \quad S = \phi, \chi$$

- important special cases:

◇ $\xi_V = 1$: ‘t Hooft–Feynman gauge

\hookrightarrow convenient gauge-boson propagators $\frac{-ig_{\mu\nu}}{k^2 - M_V^2}$

◇ $\xi_W, \xi_Z \rightarrow \infty$: “unitary gauge”

\hookrightarrow elimination of would-be Goldstone bosons

Fermion masses

fermions in chiral representations of gauge symmetry

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e \end{pmatrix}_L, \quad e_R \Rightarrow \text{mass term } m_e(\bar{e}_L e_R + \bar{e}_R e_L) = m_e \bar{e} e$$

not gauge invariant

solution of the SM: introduce Yukawa interaction

= new interaction of fermions with the Higgs field

gauge invariant interaction, g_e = Yukawa coupling constant

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}} = g_e [\overline{\psi^L} \Phi e_R + \overline{e_R} \Phi^\dagger \psi^L]$$

most transparent in unitary gauge

$$\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + H \end{pmatrix}$$

apply to the first lepton generation $\psi^L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ e_L \end{pmatrix}$, e_R :

$$\frac{g_e}{\sqrt{2}} \left[(\bar{\nu}_L, \bar{e}_L) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + H \end{pmatrix} e_R + \bar{e}_R (0, v + H) \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ e_L \end{pmatrix} \right]$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{g_e}{\sqrt{2}} v}_{m_e} [\bar{e}_L e_R + \bar{e}_R e_L] + \underbrace{\frac{g_e}{\sqrt{2}} H}_{m_e/v} [\bar{e}_L e_R + \bar{e}_R e_L]$$

$$= m_e \bar{e}e + \frac{m_e}{v} H \bar{e}e$$

3 generations of leptons and quarks

- for massless neutrinos: no generation mixing for leptons

repeat construction for μ and τ with g_μ and g_τ

$$\Rightarrow m_\mu, m_\tau$$

- quark sector: generation mixing

Yukawa couplings not generation-diagonal

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ c \\ t \end{pmatrix}, \quad D = \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix}, \quad \bar{U} = (\bar{u}, \bar{c}, \bar{t}), \quad \bar{D} = (\bar{d}, \bar{s}, \bar{b})$$

unitary gauge:

$$\Phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + H(x) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{\Phi} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -v - H(x) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathcal{L}_Y = - (\bar{U}_L, \bar{D}_L) G_d \Phi D_R + (\bar{U}_L, \bar{D}_L) G_u \tilde{\Phi} U_R + \text{h.c.}$$

mass term for $H(x) = 0$:

$$- \bar{D}_L \underbrace{G_d \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}}}_{M_d} D_R - \bar{U}_L \underbrace{G_u \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}}}_{M_u} U_R + \text{h.c.}$$

mass matrices, non-diagonal

diagonalization by unitary matrices $V_{L,R}^u, V_{L,R}^d$:

$$U_{L,R} = V_{L,R}^u \hat{U}_{L,R}, \quad \bar{U}_{L,R} = \bar{\hat{U}}_{L,R} (V_{L,R}^u)^\dagger$$

$$D_{L,R} = V_{L,R}^d \hat{D}_{L,R}, \quad \bar{D}_{L,R} = \bar{\hat{D}}_{L,R} (V_{L,R}^d)^\dagger$$

\Rightarrow mass eigenstates \hat{U}, \hat{D}

$$\bar{D}_L M_d D_R + \bar{U}_L M_u U_R =$$

$$\bar{\hat{D}}_L \underbrace{(V_L^d)^\dagger M_d V_R^d}_{M_d^{\text{diag}}} \hat{D}_R + \bar{\hat{U}}_L \underbrace{(V_L^u)^\dagger M_u V_R^u}_{M_u^{\text{diag}}} \hat{U}_R$$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} m_d & & \\ & m_s & \\ & & m_b \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} m_u & & \\ & m_c & \\ & & m_t \end{pmatrix}$$

- Yukawa interactions in terms of mass eigenstates:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_Y &= -(\bar{U}_L, \bar{D}_L) G_d \Phi D_R + (\bar{U}_L, \bar{D}_L) G_u \tilde{\Phi} U_R + \text{h.c.} \\ &= -\bar{\hat{D}}_L M_d^{\text{diag}} \hat{D}_R \left(1 + \frac{H}{v}\right) - \bar{\hat{U}}_L M_u^{\text{diag}} \hat{U}_R \left(1 + \frac{H}{v}\right) + \text{h.c.}\end{aligned}$$

flavor-diagonal interactions with H field

- neutral weak and electromagnetic currents:

$$\bar{U}_{L(R)} \gamma^\mu U_{L(R)} = \bar{\hat{U}}_{L(R)} \gamma^\mu \hat{U}_{L(R)}, \quad \bar{D}_{L(R)} \gamma^\mu D_{L(R)} = \bar{\hat{D}}_{L(R)} \gamma^\mu \hat{D}_{L(R)}$$

flavor-diagonal because $V_{L,R}^{u,d}$ are unitary matrices

- charged current:

$$\bar{U}_L \gamma^\mu D_L + \bar{D}_L \gamma^\mu U_L = \bar{\hat{U}}_L V \gamma^\mu \hat{D}_L + \bar{\hat{D}}_L V^\dagger \gamma^\mu \hat{U}_L$$

remnant: $V \equiv V_{\text{CKM}} = (V_L^u)^\dagger V_L^d$

Features of the CKM mixing:

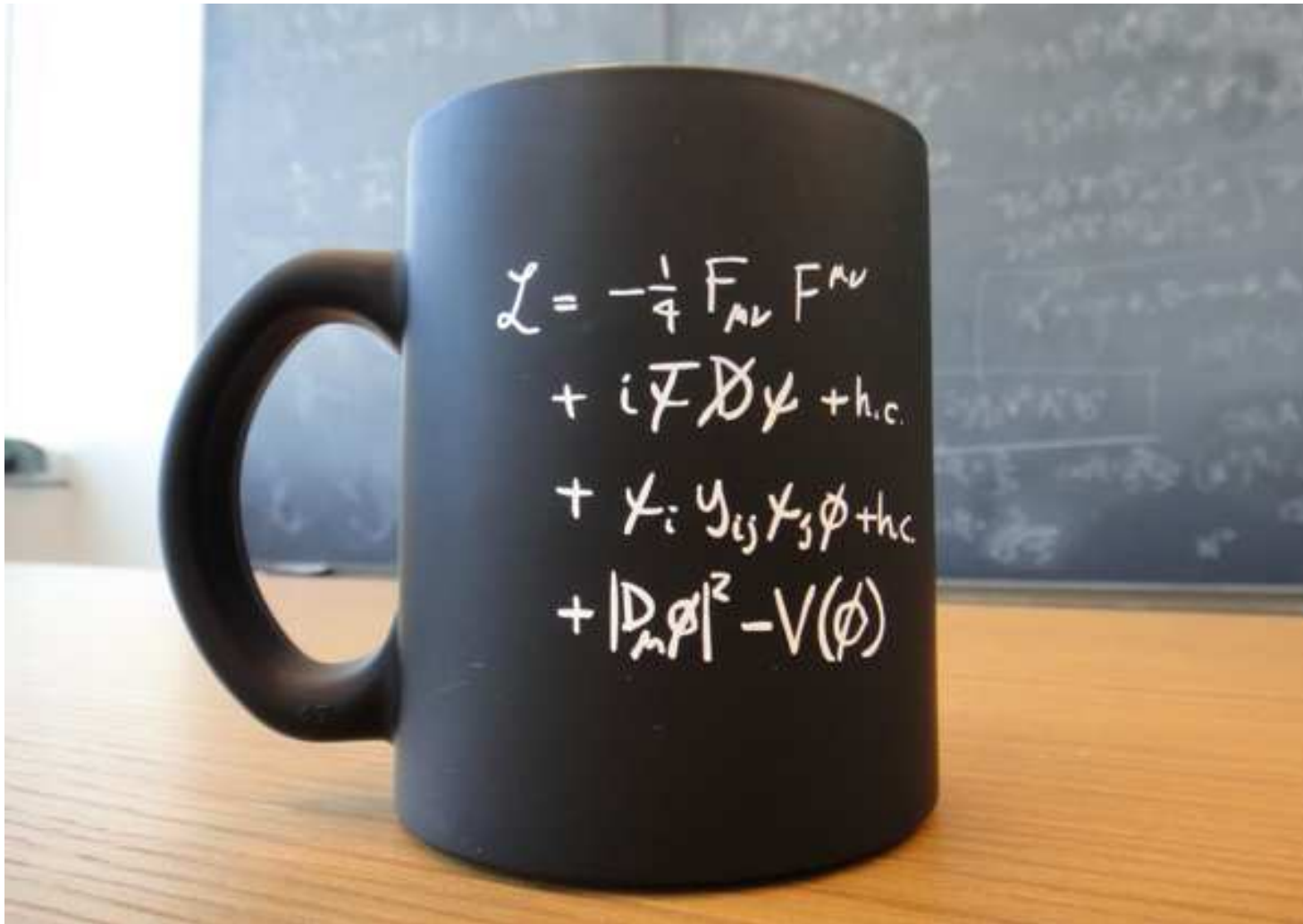
- V = 3-dim. generalization of Cabibbo matrix U_C
- V is parametrized by 4 free parameters: 3 real angles, 1 complex phase
↪ complex phase is the only source of CP violation in SM

counting:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{\#real d.o.f.} \\ \text{in } V \end{array} \right) - \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{\#unitarity} \\ \text{relations} \end{array} \right) - \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{\#phase diffs. of} \\ u\text{-type quarks} \end{array} \right) - \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{\#phase diffs. of} \\ d\text{-type quarks} \end{array} \right) - \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{\#phase diff. between} \\ u\text{- and } d\text{-type quarks} \end{array} \right) \\ & = 18 - 9 - 2 - 2 - 1 = 4 \end{aligned}$$

- no flavour-changing neutral currents in lowest order,
flavour-changing suppressed by factors $G_\mu (m_{q_1}^2 - m_{q_2}^2)$ in higher orders
("Glashow–Iliopoulos–Maiani mechanism")

The Standard Model Lagrangian



- renormalizable \Rightarrow precision calculations
- quantum effects in precision observables detectable
- involve Higgs mass dependence

4. Phenomenology of W and Z bosons and precision tests

Cross sections and decay widths

scattering process: $a + b \rightarrow b_1 + b_2 + \cdots + b_n$

$$|a(p_a), b(p_b)\rangle = |i\rangle, \quad |b_1(p_1), \cdots, b_n(p_n)\rangle = |f\rangle$$

matrix element = probability amplitude for $i \rightarrow f$:

$$S_{fi} = \langle f | S | i \rangle$$

for $i \neq f$: $S_{fi} = (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(P_i - P_f) \mathcal{M}_{fi} \left[\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \right]^{n+2}$

$P_i = p_a + p_b = P_f = p_1 + \cdots + p_n$ momentum conservation

factors $(2\pi)^{-3/2}$ from wave function normalization
(plane waves)

\mathcal{M}_{fi} from Feynman graphs and rules

probability for scattering into phase space element $d\Phi$:

$$dW_{fi} = |S_{fi}|^2 d\Phi, \quad d\Phi = \frac{d^3 p_1}{2p_1^0} \cdots \frac{d^3 p_n}{2p_n^0}$$

$$\frac{d^3 p_i}{2p_i^0} = d^4 p_i \delta(p_i^2 - m_i^2) \quad \text{Lorentz invariant phase space}$$

differential cross section:

$$d\sigma = \frac{(2\pi)^4}{4\sqrt{(p_a \cdot p_b)^2 - m_a^2 m_b^2}} |\mathcal{M}_{fi}|^2 (2\pi)^{-3n} \delta^4(P_i - P_f) \frac{d^3 p_1}{2p_1^0} \cdots \frac{d^3 p_n}{2p_n^0}$$

decay process: $a \rightarrow b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_n$

$$|a(p_a)\rangle = |i\rangle, \quad |b_1(p_1), \dots, b_n(p_n)\rangle = |f\rangle$$

$$S_{fi} = (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_a - P_f) \mathcal{M}_{fi} \left[\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \right]^{n+1}$$

decay width (differential):

$$d\Gamma = \frac{(2\pi)^4}{2m_a} |\mathcal{M}_{fi}|^2 (2\pi)^{-3n} \delta^4(p_a - P_f) \frac{d^3p_1}{2p_1^0} \dots \frac{d^3p_n}{2p_n^0}$$

special case: 2-particle phase space

$$a + b \rightarrow b_1 + b_2, \quad a \rightarrow b_1 + b_2$$

• cross section

in the CMS, $\vec{p}_a + \vec{p}_b = 0 = \vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{64\pi^2 s} \frac{|\vec{p}_1|}{|\vec{p}_a|} |\mathcal{M}_{fi}|^2$$

$$d\Omega = d\cos\theta d\phi, \quad \theta = \angle(\vec{p}_a, \vec{p}_1)$$

$$s = (p_a + p_b)^2 = E_{\text{CMS}}^2$$

• decay rate

for final state masses $m_1 = m_2 = m$

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{64\pi^2 m_a} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m^2}{m_a^2}} |\mathcal{M}_{fi}|^2$$

features of the ew Standard Model

- Higgs boson probably found, all other particles confirmed
- consistent quantum field theory
 - in accordance with unitarity
 - renormalizable \Rightarrow predictions at higher orders
- formal parameters: $g_2, g_1, v, \lambda, g_f, V_{\text{CKM}}$
physical parameters: $\alpha, M_W, M_Z, M_H, m_f, V_{\text{CKM}}$

Basic parameters and relations

ew mixing angle: $s_W \equiv \sin \theta_W, \quad c_W \equiv \cos \theta_W$

gauge coupling constants: $g_2 = \frac{e}{s_W}, \quad g_1 = \frac{e}{c_W}$

vector boson masses: $M_W = \frac{1}{2}g_2 v = \frac{ev}{2s_W}$

$$M_Z = \frac{ev}{2s_W c_W} = \frac{M_W}{c_W}$$

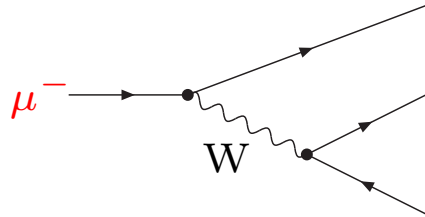
$$s_W^2 = 1 - \frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2}$$

neutral current (NC) couplings: $a_f = \frac{g_2}{2c_W} T_3^f$

$$v_f = \frac{g_2}{2c_W} (T_3^f - 2Q_f s_W)$$

observables and experiments

- Muon decay:

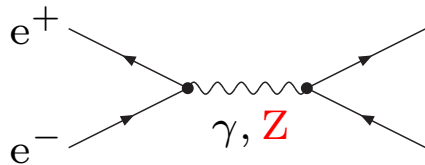


$$\mu^- \rightarrow \nu_\mu e^- \bar{\nu}_e$$

determination of the Fermi constant

$$G_\mu = \frac{\pi\alpha M_Z^2}{\sqrt{2}M_W^2(M_Z^2 - M_W^2)} + \dots$$

- Z production (LEP1/SLC):

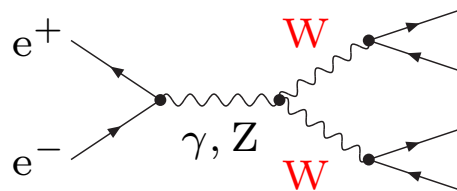


$$e^+e^- \rightarrow Z \rightarrow f\bar{f}$$

various precision measurements at the Z resonance: $M_Z, \Gamma_Z, \sigma_{\text{had}}, A_{\text{FB}}, A_{\text{LR}}, \text{etc.}$

⇒ good knowledge of the $Zf\bar{f}$ sector

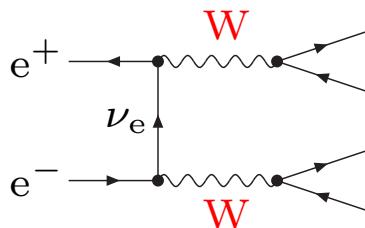
- W-pair production (LEP2/ILC): $e^+e^- \rightarrow WW \rightarrow 4f(+\gamma)$



– measurement of M_W

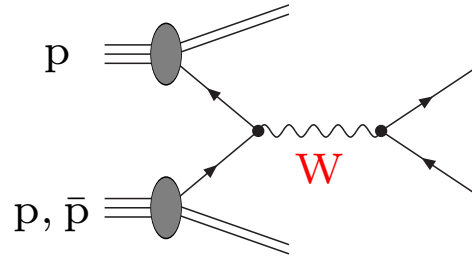
– $\gamma WW/ZWW$ couplings

– quartic couplings: $\gamma\gamma WW, \gamma ZWW$



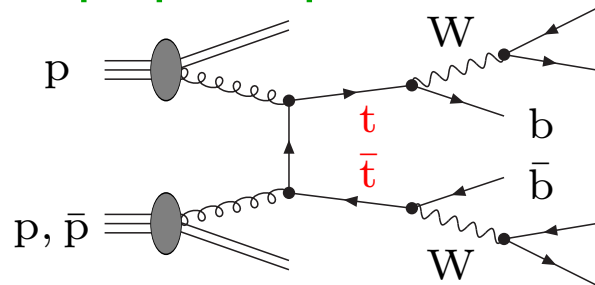
experiments at hadron colliders

- **W production** (Tevatron/LHC): $pp, p\bar{p} \rightarrow W \rightarrow l\nu_l(+\gamma)$



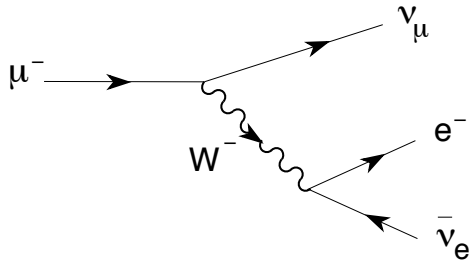
- measurement of M_W
- bounds on γWW coupling

- **top-quark production** (Tevatron/LHC): $pp, p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow 6f$



- measurement of m_t

μ decay



$$\mathcal{M} = \left(\frac{ig_2}{2\sqrt{2}} \right)^2 J_\rho^{(\mu)} \frac{-ig^{\rho\sigma}}{q^2 - M_W^2} J_\sigma^{(e)}$$

$$|q|^2 \simeq m_\mu^2 \ll M_W^2 : \quad \mathcal{M} = -\frac{g_2^2}{8M_W^2} J_\rho^{(\mu)} J^\rho(e)$$

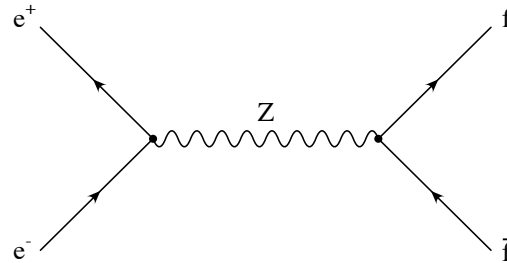
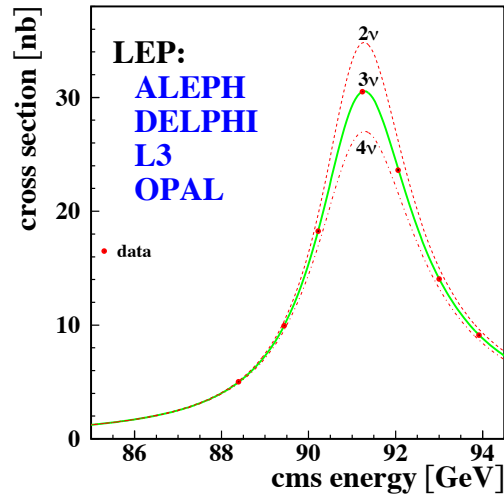
Fermi model with point-like 4-fermion interaction:

$$\mathcal{M} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} J_\rho^{(\mu)} J^\rho(e) \quad \text{low-energy limit of SM}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{g_2^2}{8M_W^2} = \frac{e^2}{8s_W^2 c_W^2 M_Z^2} = \frac{\pi\alpha}{2s_W^2 c_W^2 M_Z^2} = \frac{\pi\alpha}{2(1 - M_W^2/M_Z^2)M_W^2}}$$

$$G_F = 1.16637(1) \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

Z resonance



$$\mathcal{M} = J_{\mu}^{(e)} \frac{-ig^{\mu\nu}}{s - M_Z^2 + iM_Z\Gamma_Z} J_{\nu}^{(f)}$$

propagator with finite width Γ_Z (unstable particle)

$$\Gamma_Z = \sum_f \Gamma(Z \rightarrow f\bar{f}), \quad \Gamma(Z \rightarrow f\bar{f}) = \frac{M_Z}{12\pi} (v_f^2 + a_f^2)$$

differential cross section at $s = M_Z^2$:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \sim (v_e^2 + a_e^2)(v_f^2 + a_f^2) (1 + \cos^2 \theta) + (2v_e a_e)(2v_f a_f) \cdot 2 \cos \theta$$

\Rightarrow *forward-backward asymmetry* $A_{FB} = \frac{\sigma_F - \sigma_B}{\sigma_F + \sigma_B} = \frac{3}{4} A_e A_f$

$$A_f = \frac{2v_f a_f}{v_f^2 + a_f^2}$$

polarized cross section for $e_{L,R}^-$:

\Rightarrow *left-right asymmetry* $A_{LR} = \frac{\sigma_L - \sigma_R}{\sigma_L + \sigma_R} = A_e$

asymmetries determine $\sin^2 \theta_W$

input from experiments

- **LEP1/SLC:** $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z \rightarrow f\bar{f}$
LEP1: $\sim 4 \times 10^6$ events/experiment
4 experiments (1989 – 1995)
- **LEP2:** $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-$
 $\mathcal{O}(10^4)$ W pairs (1996 – 2000)
- **Tevatron:** $q\bar{q}' \rightarrow W \rightarrow l\nu, q\bar{q}'$
(p \bar{p}) $q\bar{q}' \rightarrow t\bar{t}, t \rightarrow W^+b \rightarrow \dots$
- **low-energy experiments** (μ decay, νN scattering, νe scattering, atomic parity violation, ...)

experimental results (selection)

M_Z [GeV]	$= 91.1875 \pm 0.0021$	0.002%
Γ_Z [GeV]	$= 2.4952 \pm 0.0023$	0.09%
$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^{\text{lept}}$	$= 0.23148 \pm 0.00017$	0.07%
M_W [GeV]	$= 80.385 \pm 0.015$	0.02%
m_t [GeV]	$= 173.2 \pm 0.9$	0.52%
G_F [GeV ⁻²]	$= 1.16637(1)10^{-5}$	0.001%

loop effects are at least one order of magnitude larger than experimental uncertainties