# THE STANDARD MODEL AND HIGGS PHYSICS

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## Field theory description of the SM (and beyond)

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## Non-Abelian (Yang-Mills) gauge theories

The starting point is a Lagrangian of free or self-interacting fields, that is symmetric under a GLOBAL symmetry

$$\mathcal{L}_{\psi}(\psi,\partial_{\mu}\psi) = i\overline{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\psi - m\,\overline{\psi}\psi$$
$$\psi = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{1} \\ \vdots \\ \psi_{n} \end{pmatrix} = \text{multiplet of a compact Lie group } G$$

where

The Lagrangian is symmetric under the transformation

 $\psi \rightarrow \psi' = U(\theta)\psi$   $U(\theta) = \exp(igT^a\theta_a)$  unitary matrix  $UU^{\dagger} = U^{\dagger}U = 1$ 

If *U* is unitary, the *T<sup>a</sup>* are hermitian matrices, called group generators (they "generate" infinitesimal transformation around the unit element of the group)

$$U(\theta) = 1 + igT^a\theta_a + \mathcal{O}\left(\theta^2\right)$$

If *U* is SU(*N*) matrix (unitary and det U = 1), then there are  $N^2 - 1$  traceless, hermitian generators  $T^a = \frac{\lambda^a}{2}$ 

## From $\partial_{\mu} \rightarrow D_{\mu}$

We obtain a LOCAL invariant Lagrangian if we make the substitution

 $\mathcal{L}_{\psi}(\psi,\partial_{\mu}\psi) \to \mathcal{L}_{\psi}(\psi,D_{\mu}\psi) \qquad D_{\mu} = \partial_{\mu} - igA^{a}_{\mu}(x)T^{a} \equiv \partial_{\mu} - igA_{\mu}(x)$ 

with the transformation properties

 $\psi(x) \rightarrow U(x)\psi(x)$  with  $U(x) = U(\theta(x)) = \exp(igT^a\theta_a(x))$  $D_\mu\psi(x) \rightarrow U(x)D_\mu\psi(x) = U(x)D_\mu U^{-1}(x)U(x)\psi(x)$ 

i.e. the covariant derivative must transform as

 $D_{\mu} \rightarrow U(x)D_{\mu}U^{-1}(x)$  implying  $A^{a}_{\mu} \rightarrow A^{a}_{\mu} + \partial_{\mu}\theta^{a}(x) + gf^{abc}A^{b}_{\mu}\theta^{c} + \cdots$ We can build the kinetic term for the  $A^{a}_{\mu}$  fields from

$$F_{\mu\nu} = F^a_{\mu\nu}T^a = \frac{i}{g}[D_{\mu}, D_{\nu}] \quad \text{with} \quad F^a_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}A^a_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}A^a_{\mu} + gf^{abc}A^b_{\mu}A^c_{\nu}$$

which transforms homogeneously under a local gauge transformation

$$F_{\mu\nu} \to UF_{\mu\nu}U^{-1} \implies F^a_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}_a \sim \mathrm{tr}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} \to \mathrm{tr}UF_{\mu\nu}U^{-1} UF^{\mu\nu}U^{-1} = \mathrm{tr}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}$$

## **Remarks on Yang-Mills theories**

Gauge invariant Yang-Mills (YM) Lagrangian for gauge and matter fields

 $\mathcal{L}_{YM} = -\frac{1}{4}F^a_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}_a + \mathcal{L}_{\psi}(\psi, D_{\mu}\psi) \quad \text{with} \quad F^a_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}A^a_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}A^a_{\mu} + gf^{abc}A^b_{\mu}A^c_{\nu}$ 

- Mass terms A<sup>a</sup><sub>µ</sub>A<sup>aµ</sup> for the gauge bosons are NOT gauge invariant!
   Gauge bosons of (unbroken) YM theories are massless.
- From the *F<sup>a</sup><sub>μν</sub>F<sup>aμν</sup>* term in the Lagrangian, we have cubic and quartic gauge boson self interactions
- gauge invariance combined with renormalizability (absence of higher powers of fields and covariant derivatives in  $\mathcal{L}$ ) determines gauge-boson/matter couplings and gauge-boson self interactions
- if  $G = SU(3)_c$  (N = 3) and the fermion are in triplets,

$$\psi = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{\text{red}} \\ \psi_{\text{blue}} \\ \psi_{\text{green}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \\ \psi_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

we have the QCD Lagrangian with  $N^2 - 1 = 8$  gauge bosons = gluons.

#### **Electroweak sector**

From experimental facts (charged currents couple only to left-handed fermions, existence of a massless photon and a neutral *Z*), the gauge group is chosen as  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ .

$$\psi_L \equiv \frac{1}{2}(1-\gamma_5)\psi \qquad \psi_R \equiv \frac{1}{2}(1+\gamma_5)\psi \qquad \psi = \psi_L + \psi_R$$
$$L_L \equiv \frac{1}{2}(1-\gamma_5)\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{eL} \\ e_L \end{pmatrix} \qquad \nu_{eR} \equiv \frac{1}{2}(1+\gamma_5)\nu_e \qquad e_R \equiv \frac{1}{2}(1+\gamma_5)e$$

- SU(2)<sub>*L*</sub>: weak isospin group. Three generators  $\implies$  three gauge bosons:  $W^1$ ,  $W^2$  and  $W^3$ . Generators for doublets are  $T^a = \sigma^a/2$ , where  $\sigma^a$  are the 3 Pauli matrices For gauge singlets ( $e_R$ ,  $\nu_R$ ):  $T^a \equiv 0$ . All satisfy  $\left[T^a, T^b\right] = i\epsilon^{abc}T^c$ . The gauge coupling will be indicated with *g*.
- U(1)<sub>Y</sub>: weak hypercharge Y. One gauge boson *B* with gauge coupling g'. One generator (charge)  $Y(\psi)$ , whose value depends on the fermion field

 $W^3$  and *B* carry identical quantum numbers ( $T_3 = 0$ , Y = 0)  $\implies$  they will combine to produce two neutral gauge bosons: *Z* and  $\gamma$ .

## EW gauge-boson sector of the SM

Gauge invariance and renormalizability completely determine the kinetic terms for the gauge bosons

$$\mathcal{L}_{YM}=-rac{1}{4}B_{\mu
u}B^{\mu
u}-rac{1}{4}W^a_{\mu
u}W^{\mu
u}_a$$

$$B^{\mu\nu} = \partial^{\mu}B^{\nu} - \partial^{\nu}B^{\mu}$$
$$W^{a}_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}W^{a}_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}W^{a}_{\mu} + g \epsilon^{abc} W_{b,\mu} W_{c,\nu}$$

The gauge symmetry does NOT allow any explicit mass terms for  $W^{\pm}$  and Z, i.e. forbidden are terms like

$$\mathcal{L}_{Mass} = rac{1}{2} m_W^2 W^a_\mu W^\mu_a$$

## **Spontaneous symmetry breaking**

Experimentally, the weak bosons are massive. We give mass to the gauge bosons through the Higgs mechanism: generate mass terms from the kinetic energy term of a scalar doublet field  $\Phi$  that undergoes spontaneous symmetry breaking.

Introduce a complex scalar doublet

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$$\begin{split} \Phi &= \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad Y_{\Phi} = \frac{1}{2} \\ \mathcal{L}_{\text{Higgs}} &= (D_{\mu} \Phi)^{\dagger} (D^{\mu} \Phi) - V \left( \Phi^{\dagger} \Phi \right) \\ D^{\mu} &= \partial^{\mu} - ig W_i^{\mu} \frac{\sigma^i}{2} - ig' Y_{\Phi} B^{\mu} \\ \left( \Phi^{\dagger} \Phi \right) &= V_0 - \mu^2 \Phi^{\dagger} \Phi + \lambda \left( \Phi^{\dagger} \Phi \right)^2, \qquad \mu^2, \lambda > 0 \quad \_ \end{split}$$

Notice the "wrong" mass sign. Minimum of potential when  $\Phi$  has vacuum expectation value

$$<|\Phi|> = rac{v}{\sqrt{2}} = rac{|\mu|}{\sqrt{2\lambda}}$$



#### Expanding $\Phi$ around the minimum

$$\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ v + H(x) + i\chi(x) \right] \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \exp\left[\frac{i\sigma_i \theta^i(x)}{v}\right] \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + H(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

We can rotate away the fields  $\theta^i(x)$  by an SU(2)<sub>L</sub> gauge transformation

$$\Phi(x) \to \Phi'(x) = U(x)\Phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0\\ v + H(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $U(x) = \exp\left[-\frac{i\sigma_i\theta^i(x)}{v}\right]$ .

This gauge choice, called unitary gauge, is equivalent to absorbing the Goldstone modes  $\theta^i(x)$ . The vacuum state can be chosen to correspond to the vacuum expectation value

$$\Phi_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \begin{array}{c} 0\\ v \end{array} \right)$$

Notice that only a scalar field can have a vacuum expectation value. The VEV of a fermion or vector field would break Lorentz invariance.

## **Consequences** for the scalar field *H*

The scalar potential

$$V\left(\Phi^{\dagger}\Phi\right) = \lambda\left(\Phi^{\dagger}\Phi - \frac{v^2}{2}\right)^2$$

expanded around the vacuum state

$$\Phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \begin{array}{c} 0\\ v + H(x) \end{array} \right)$$

becomes

$$V = \frac{\lambda}{4} \left( 2vH + H^2 \right)^2 = \frac{1}{2} (2\lambda v^2) H^2 + \lambda v H^3 + \frac{\lambda}{4} H^4$$

Consequences:

• the scalar field *H* gets a mass which is given by the quartic coupling  $\lambda$ 

$$m_H^2 = 2\lambda v^2$$

• there is a term of cubic and quartic self-coupling.

# Higgs kinetic terms and coupling to W, Z

$$\begin{split} D^{\mu} \Phi &= \left(\partial^{\mu} - igW_{i}^{\mu} \frac{\sigma^{i}}{2} - ig'\frac{1}{2}B^{\mu}\right) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + H(x) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \partial^{\mu}H \end{pmatrix} - \frac{i}{2\sqrt{2}} \left[g \begin{pmatrix} W_{3}^{\mu} & W_{1}^{\mu} - iW_{2}^{\mu} \\ W_{1}^{\mu} + iW_{2}^{\mu} & -W_{3}^{\mu} \end{pmatrix} + g'B^{\mu} \right] \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + H \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \partial^{\mu}H \end{pmatrix} - \frac{i}{2}(v + H) \begin{pmatrix} g (W_{1}^{\mu} - iW_{2}^{\mu}) \\ -gW_{3}^{\mu} + g'B^{\mu} \end{pmatrix} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \partial^{\mu}H \end{pmatrix} - \frac{i}{2} \left(1 + \frac{H}{v}\right) \begin{pmatrix} gv W^{\mu +} \\ -\sqrt{(g^{2} + g'^{2})/2} v Z^{\mu} \end{pmatrix} \end{split}$$

$$(D^{\mu}\Phi)^{\dagger} D_{\mu}\Phi = \frac{1}{2}\partial^{\mu}H\partial_{\mu}H + \left[\left(\frac{gv}{2}\right)^{2}W^{\mu}W^{-}_{\mu} + \frac{1}{2}\frac{\left(g^{2} + g'^{2}\right)v^{2}}{4}Z^{\mu}Z_{\mu}\right]\left(1 + \frac{H}{v}\right)^{2}$$

• The *W* and *Z* gauge bosons have acquired masses

$$m_W^2 = \frac{g^2 v^2}{4}$$
  $m_Z^2 = \frac{(g^2 + g'^2) v^2}{4} = \frac{m_W^2}{\cos^2 \theta_W}$ 

From the measured value of the Fermi constant  $G_F$ 

$$\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} = \left(\frac{g}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 \frac{1}{m_W^2} \qquad \Longrightarrow \qquad v = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}G_F}} \approx 246.22 \text{ GeV}$$

- the photon stays massless
- *HWW* and *HZZ* couplings from 2H/v term (and *HHWW* and *HHZZ* couplings from  $H^2/v^2$  term)

$$\mathcal{L}_{HVV} = \frac{2m_W^2}{v} W_{\mu}^+ W^{-\mu} H + \frac{m_Z^2}{v} Z^{\mu} Z_{\mu} H \equiv \frac{gm_W}{w} W_{\mu}^+ W^{-\mu} H + \frac{1}{2} \frac{gm_Z}{\cos \theta_W} Z^{\mu} Z_{\mu} H$$

Higgs coupling proportional to mass

• tree-level *HVV* (*V* = vector boson) coupling requires VEV! e.g.  $gm_W = g^2 v/2$ Normal scalar couplings give  $\Phi^{\dagger} \Phi V$  or  $\Phi^{\dagger} \Phi V V$  couplings only.

# Gauging the symmetry: fermion Lagrangian

Following the gauge recipe (for one generation of leptons, quarks work the same way)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\psi} = i \, \bar{L}_L \, \not\!\!D \, L_L + i \, \bar{\nu}_{eR} \, \not\!\!D \, \nu_{eR} + i \, \bar{e}_R \, \not\!\!D \, e_R$$

where

$$D^{\mu} = \partial^{\mu} - igW_{i}^{\mu}T^{i} - ig'Y_{\psi}B^{\mu} \qquad T^{i} = \frac{\sigma^{i}}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad T^{i} = 0, \qquad i = 1, 2, 3$$
$$\mathcal{L}_{\psi} \equiv \mathcal{L}_{kin} + \mathcal{L}_{CC} + \mathcal{L}_{NC}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{kin} = i \bar{L}_L \partial \!\!\!/ L_L + i \bar{\nu}_{eR} \partial \!\!\!/ \nu_{eR} + i \bar{e}_R \partial \!\!\!/ e_R$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{CC} = g W^1_\mu \bar{L}_L \gamma^\mu \frac{\sigma_1}{2} L_L + g W^2_\mu \bar{L}_L \gamma^\mu \frac{\sigma_2}{2} L_L = \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} W^+_\mu \bar{\nu}_L \gamma^\mu e_L + \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} W^-_\mu \bar{e}_L \gamma^\mu \nu_L$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{NC} = \frac{g}{2} W^3_\mu [\bar{\nu}_{eL} \gamma^\mu \nu_{eL} - \bar{e}_L \gamma^\mu e_L] + g' B_\mu \Big[ Y_L (\bar{\nu}_{eL} \gamma^\mu \nu_{eL} + \bar{e}_L \gamma^\mu e_L)$$

$$+ Y_{\nu_{eR}} \bar{\nu}_{eR} \gamma^\mu \nu_{eR} + Y_{e_R} \bar{e}_R \gamma^\mu e_R \Big]$$

with

$$W^{\pm}_{\mu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( W^1_{\mu} \mp i W^2_{\mu} \right)$$

## Fermion couplings fixed by renormalizability and gauge quantum numbers

# Weak mixing angle

 $W^3_{\mu}$  and  $B_{\mu}$  mix to produce two orthogonal mass eigenstates

massive partner: 
$$g W_{\mu}^{3} - g' B_{\mu} = \sqrt{g^{2} + g'^{2}} Z_{\mu} = \sqrt{g^{2} + g'^{2}} \left( W_{\mu}^{3} \cos \theta_{W} - B_{\mu} \sin \theta_{W} \right)$$
  
orthogonal, massless:  $g' W_{\mu}^{3} + g B_{\mu} = \sqrt{g^{2} + g'^{2}} A_{\mu} = \sqrt{g^{2} + g'^{2}} \left( W_{\mu}^{3} \sin \theta_{W} + B_{\mu} \cos \theta_{W} \right)$   
with mixing angle fixed by  $\cos \theta_{W} = \frac{g}{\sqrt{g^{2} + g'^{2}}} \qquad \sin \theta_{W} = \frac{g'}{\sqrt{g^{2} + g'^{2}}}$ 

Write the NC Lagrangian in terms of these mass eigenstates

$$\mathcal{L}_{NC} = \bar{\psi}\gamma_{\mu} \left(gT_{3}W_{3}^{\mu} + g'YB^{\mu}\right)\psi = \bar{\psi}\gamma_{\mu} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{g^{2} + g'^{2}}}(g^{2}T_{3} - g'^{2}Y)Z^{\mu} + \frac{gg'}{\sqrt{g^{2} + g'^{2}}}(T_{3} + Y)A^{\mu}\right)\psi$$

Must identify positron charge, *e*, as

$$e = \frac{gg'}{\sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}} = g\sin\theta_W = g'\cos\theta_W$$

and the charge of a particle, as a multiple of the positron charge, is given by the Gell-Mann–Nishijima formula:  $Q = T_3 + Y$ 

#### The neutral current

It is customary to write the *Z* coupling to fermions in terms of the electric charge *Q* and the third component of isospin ( $T_3 = \pm 1/2$  for left-chiral fermions, 0 for right-chiral fermions)

$$\mathcal{L}_{NC} = \overline{\psi}\gamma_{\mu} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{g^2 + g^{\prime 2}}} (g^2 T_3 - g^{\prime 2} Y) Z^{\mu} + \frac{gg^{\prime}}{\sqrt{g^2 + g^{\prime 2}}} (T_3 + Y) A^{\mu}\right) \psi = e\overline{\psi}\gamma_{\mu} Q\psi A^{\mu} + \overline{\psi}\gamma_{\mu} Q_Z \psi Z^{\mu}$$

 $Q_Z$  is given by

$$Q_Z = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}} (g^2 T_3 - g'^2 (Q - T_3)) = \frac{e}{\cos \theta_W \sin \theta_W} \left( T_3 - Q \sin^2 \theta_W \right)$$

This procedure works for leptons and also for the quarks (see more later)

$$Q_L^i = \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} c_L \\ s_L \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} t_L \\ b_L \end{pmatrix} \qquad \qquad u_R^i = u_R, c_R, t_R \\ d_R^i = d_R, s_R, b_R$$

A direct mass term is not invariant under  $SU(2)_L$  or  $U(1)_Y$  gauge transformation

 $m_f \overline{\psi} \psi = m_f \left( \overline{\psi}_R \psi_L + \overline{\psi}_L \psi_R \right)$ 

Generate fermion masses through Yukawa-type interaction terms

 $\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}} = -\Gamma_{d} \overline{Q}_{L} \Phi d_{R} - \Gamma_{d} \overline{d}_{R} \Phi^{\dagger} Q_{L}$  $-\Gamma_{u} \overline{Q}_{L} \Phi_{c} u_{R} + \text{h.c.} \qquad \Phi_{c} = i\sigma_{2} \Phi^{*} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} v + H(x) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  $-\Gamma_{e} \overline{L}_{L} \Phi e_{R} + \text{h.c.}$ 

 $-\Gamma_{\boldsymbol{\nu}}\overline{L}_{L}\Phi_{c}\boldsymbol{\nu}_{R}+\text{h.c.}$ 

where *Q*, *L* are left-handed doublet fields and  $d_R$ ,  $u_R$ ,  $e_R$ ,  $v_R$  are right-handed SU(2) -singlet fields.

Notice: neutrino masses can be implemented via  $\Gamma_{\nu}$  term. Since  $m_{\nu} \approx 0$  we neglect it in the following.

#### **Fermion masses for three generations**

Generate fermion masses for three generations of quarks and leptons by generalizing

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}} = -\Gamma_d^{ij} \overline{Q}_L^{\prime i} \Phi d_R^{\prime j} - \Gamma_d^{ij*} \overline{d}_R^{\prime i} \Phi^{\dagger} Q_L^{\prime j}$$
$$-\Gamma_u^{ij} \overline{Q}_L^{\prime i} \Phi_c u_R^{\prime j} + \text{h.c.} \qquad \Phi_c = i\sigma_2 \Phi^* = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} v + H(x) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$-\Gamma_e^{ij} \overline{L}_L^i \Phi e_R^j + \text{h.c.}$$

where Q', u' and d' are quark fields that are generic linear combination of the mass eigenstates u and d and  $\Gamma_u$ ,  $\Gamma_d$  and  $\Gamma_e$  are  $3 \times 3$  complex matrices in generation space, spanned by the indices i and j.

 $\mathcal{L}_{Yukawa}$  is Lorentz invariant, gauge invariant and renormalizable, and therefore it can (actually it must) be included in the Lagrangian.

## Expanding around the vacuum state

In the unitary gauge we have

$$\overline{Q}_{L}^{\prime i} \Phi d_{R}^{\prime j} = \left(\overline{u}_{L}^{\prime i} \ \overline{d}_{L}^{\prime i}\right) \left(\begin{array}{c}0\\\frac{v+H}{\sqrt{2}}\end{array}\right) d_{R}^{\prime j} = \frac{v+H}{\sqrt{2}} \ \overline{d}_{L}^{\prime i} \ d_{R}^{\prime j}$$
$$\overline{Q}_{L}^{\prime i} \Phi_{c} u_{R}^{\prime j} = \left(\overline{u}_{L}^{\prime i} \ \overline{d}_{L}^{\prime i}\right) \left(\begin{array}{c}\frac{v+H}{\sqrt{2}}\\0\end{array}\right) u_{R}^{\prime j} = \frac{v+H}{\sqrt{2}} \ \overline{u}_{L}^{\prime i} u_{R}^{\prime j}$$

and we obtain

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}} = -\Gamma_{d}^{ij} \frac{v+H}{\sqrt{2}} \overline{d}_{L}^{\prime i} d_{R}^{\prime j} - \Gamma_{u}^{ij} \frac{v+H}{\sqrt{2}} \overline{u}_{L}^{\prime i} u_{R}^{\prime j} - \Gamma_{e}^{ij} \frac{v+H}{\sqrt{2}} \overline{e}_{L}^{i} e_{R}^{j} + \text{h.c.}$$
$$= -\left[ M_{u}^{ij} \overline{u}_{L}^{\prime i} u_{R}^{\prime j} + M_{d}^{ij} \overline{d}_{L}^{\prime i} d_{R}^{\prime j} + M_{e}^{ij} \overline{e}_{L}^{i} e_{R}^{j} + \text{h.c.} \right] \left( 1 + \frac{H}{v} \right)$$

with mass matrices  $M^{ij} = \Gamma^{ij} \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}}$ 

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# Diagonalizing $M_f$

It is always possible to diagonalize  $M_f^{ij}$  (f = u, d, e) with a bi-unitary transformation ( $U_{L/R}^f$  must be unitary in order to preserve the form of the kinetic terms in the Lagrangian)

$$f'_{Li} = \left(U_L^f\right)_{ij} f_{Lj}$$
$$f'_{Ri} = \left(U_R^f\right)_{ij} f_{Rj}$$

with  $U_L^f$  and  $U_R^f$  chosen such that

$$\left(U_{L}^{f}\right)^{\dagger}M_{f}U_{R}^{f}=\mathrm{diagonal}$$

For example:

$$(U_L^u)^{\dagger} M_u U_R^u = \begin{pmatrix} m_u & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_c & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_t \end{pmatrix} \qquad \qquad \begin{pmatrix} U_L^d \end{pmatrix}^{\dagger} M_d U_R^d = \begin{pmatrix} m_d & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_s & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_b \end{pmatrix}$$

#### Mass terms

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}} = -\sum_{f,i,j} M_f^{ij} \overline{f}_L^{\prime i} f_R^{\prime j} \left(1 + \frac{H}{v}\right) + \text{h.c.}$$

$$= -\sum_{f,i,j} \overline{f}_L^i \left[ \left( U_L^f \right)^{\dagger} M_f U_R^f \right]_{ij} f_R^j \left(1 + \frac{H}{v}\right) + \text{h.c.}$$

$$= -\sum_f m_f \left( \overline{f}_L f_R + \overline{f}_R f_L \right) \left( 1 + \frac{H}{v} \right)$$

We succeed in producing fermion masses and we got a fermion-antifermion-Higgs coupling proportional to the fermion mass.

The Higgs Yukawa couplings are flavor diagonal: no flavor changing Higgs interactions.

## Mass diagonalization and charged current interaction

The charged current interaction is given by

$$\frac{e}{\sqrt{2}\sin\theta_W}\overline{u}_L^{\prime\,i}\,W^+\,d_L^{\prime\,i}+\text{h.c.}$$

After the mass diagonalization described previously, this term becomes

$$\frac{e}{\sqrt{2}\sin\theta_W}\overline{u}_L^i\left[\left(U_L^u\right)^{\dagger}U_L^d\right]_{ij}W^+d_L^j+\text{h.c.}$$

and we define the Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa matrix V<sub>CKM</sub>

$$V_{CKM} = \left(U_L^u\right)^{\dagger} U_L^d$$

- *V*<sub>*CKM*</sub> is not diagonal and then it mixes the flavors of the different quarks.
- It is a unitary matrix and the values of its entries must be determined from experiments.



Within the Standard Model, since almost all masses have been measured, the Higgs couplings are almost completely known. The only free parameter (not yet measured) is the Higgs mass

$$m_H^2 = 2\lambda v^2$$

## **Constraints on the Higgs Boson Mass**

We had found that the Higgs boson mass is related to the value of the quartic Higgs coupling  $\lambda$ :

$$\mathcal{L} = (D_{\mu}\Phi)^{\dagger}(D^{\mu}\Phi) - \lambda \left(\Phi^{\dagger}\Phi - \frac{v^2}{2}\right)^2$$

leads to

$$m_H^2 = 2\lambda v^2$$

So far we have measured neither  $m_H$  nor  $\lambda \Longrightarrow$  no direct experimental information

This raises several questions

- Can we get rid of the Higgs by setting m<sub>H</sub> = ∞ and λ = ∞? Can we eliminate the Higgs from the SM?
- Does consistency of the SM as a renormalizable field theory provide constraints?
- Is there indirect information on  $m_H$ , e.g. from precision observables and loop effects?

### The perturbative unitarity bound

A very severe constraint on the Higgs boson mass comes from **unitarity** of the scattering amplitude.

unitarity  $\iff$  QM probability < 1

Scattering probability bounded from above!

Considering the elastic scattering of longitudinally polarized Z bosons

 $Z_L Z_L \rightarrow Z_L Z_L$ 

$$\mathcal{M} = -\frac{m_H^2}{v^2} \left[ \frac{s}{s - m_H^2} + \frac{t}{t - m_H^2} + \frac{u}{u - m_H^2} \right] \qquad \text{in the } s \gg m_Z^2 \text{ limit}$$

where *s*, *t* and *u* are the usual Mandelstam variables.

The perturbative unitary bound on the J = 0 partial wave amplitude takes the form

$$s \gg m_H^2: \qquad |\mathcal{M}_0|^2 = \left[\frac{3}{16\pi} \frac{m_H^2}{v^2}\right]^2 < 1 \qquad \Longrightarrow \qquad m_H < \sqrt{\frac{16\pi}{3}} v \approx 1 \text{ TeV}$$



## Unitarity of WW scattering

Partial wave amplitudes are bounded by a constant

 $\implies \mathcal{M} \sim \frac{s}{m_W^2}$  violates unitarity at sufficiently high energy

Without the Higgs contribution, the J = 0 partial wave violates unitarity for  $\sqrt{s} > 1.2$  TeV

Destructive interference between Higgs exchange amplitudes and gauge boson scattering amplitudes works for  $s > m_H^2$  only

 $\implies m_H \lesssim 1 \text{ TeV}$ 

or new physics at the TeV scale

or both

## Running of $\lambda$

The one-loop renormalization group equation (RGE) for  $\lambda(\mu)$  is

$$\frac{d\lambda(\mu)}{d\log\mu^2} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left[ 12\lambda^2 + \frac{3}{8}g^4 + \frac{3}{16} \left(g^2 + g'^2\right)^2 - \frac{3h_t^4}{4} - 3\lambda g^2 - \frac{3}{2}\lambda \left(g^2 + g'^2\right) + 6\lambda h_t^2 \right]$$

where

$$m_t = \frac{h_t v}{\sqrt{2}}$$
 and  $m_H^2 = 2\lambda v^2$ 

This equation must be solved together with the one-loop RGEs for the gauge and Yukawa couplings, which, in the Standard Model, are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dg(\mu)}{d\log\mu^2} &= \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \left( -\frac{19}{6}g^3 \right) \\ \frac{dg'(\mu)}{d\log\mu^2} &= \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \frac{41}{6}g'^3 \\ \frac{dg_s(\mu)}{d\log\mu^2} &= \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \left( -7g_s^3 \right) = \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \left( -(11-\frac{2}{3}n_f)g_s^3 \right) \\ \frac{dh_t(\mu)}{d\log\mu^2} &= \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \left[ \frac{9}{2}h_t^3 - \left( 8g_s^2 + \frac{9}{4}g^2 + \frac{17}{12}g'^2 \right) h_t \right] \end{aligned}$$

here  $g_s$  is the strong interaction coupling constant, and the  $\overline{MS}$  scheme is adopted.

# Solutions for $\lambda(\mu)$

Solving this system of coupled equations with the initial condition



## Lower bound for *m<sub>H</sub>*: vacuum stability

It can be shown that the requirement that the Higgs potential be bounded from below, even after the inclusion of radiative corrections, is fulfilled if  $\lambda(\mu)$  stays positive, at least up to a certain scale  $\mu \approx \Lambda$ , the maximum energy scale at which the theory can be considered reliable.



**X** This limit is extremely sensitive to the top-quark mass.

✓ The stability lower bound can be relaxed by allowing metastability

## Upper bound for $m_H$ : triviality bound

For large values of the Higgs boson mass, the coupling  $\lambda(\mu)$  grows with increasing  $\mu$ , and eventually leaves the perturbative domain ( $\lambda \lesssim 1$ ): the solution has a singular-  $\frac{3}{2}$  ity in  $\mu$ , known as the Landau pole.

For the theory to make sense up to a scale  $\Lambda$ , we must ask  $\lambda(\mu) \lesssim 1$  (or something similar), for  $\mu \leq \Lambda$ . Neglecting gauge and Yukawa coupling, we have





For any value of  $\lambda(m_H^2)$  the theory has an upper scale  $\Lambda$  of validity.  $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$  for pure scalar theory possible only if  $\lambda(\mu) \equiv 0$ , i.e. no scalar selfcoupling  $\Longrightarrow$  free or trivial theory Renormalization group constraints on the Higgs boson mass,  $m_H = \sqrt{2\lambda}v$ 



Riesselmann, hep-ph/9711456

Notice the small window 130 GeV  $\leq m_H \leq 180$  GeV, where the theory is valid up to the Planck scale  $M_{\text{Planck}} = (\hbar c/G_{\text{Newton}})^{1/2} \approx$  $1.22 \times 10^{19}$  GeV.

For a cutoff scale of  $\Lambda > 1000$  TeV the Higgs boson should lie in the mass window 110 GeV <  $m_H < 300$  GeV

# **Constraints from precision data**

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{g^2 g'^2}{g^2 + g'^2} = \frac{1}{137.03599976(50)} \\ G_F &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}v^2} = 1.16637(1) \times 10^{-5} \,\text{GeV}^{-2} \\ m_Z &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{g^2 + g'^2} \, v = 91.1875(21) \,\text{GeV} \;, \end{aligned}$$

where the uncertainty is given in parentheses. The value of  $\alpha$  is extracted from low-energy experiments,  $G_F$  is extracted from the muon lifetime, and  $m_Z$  is measured from  $e^+e^-$  annihilation near the *Z* mass.

At tree level, we can express  $m_W$  as

$$m_W^2 = \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta_W} \frac{\pi \alpha}{\sqrt{2}G_F}$$

where

$$\sin^2\theta_W = 1 - \frac{m_W^2}{m_Z^2}$$

## Clues to the Higgs boson mass

From the sensitivity of electroweak observables to the mass of the top, we are able to measure its mass, even without directly producing it



These quantum corrections alter the link between *W* and *Z* boson masses

$$m_W^2 = \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta_W \left(1 - \Delta \rho\right)} \frac{\pi \alpha}{\sqrt{2}G_F} \qquad \Delta \rho_{(\text{top})} \approx -\frac{3G_F}{8\pi^2 \sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{\tan^2 \theta_W} m_t^2$$

The strong dependence on  $m_t^2$  accounts for the precision of the top-quark mass estimates derived from electroweak observables.

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The Higgs boson quantum corrections are typically smaller than the top-quark corrections, and exhibit a more subtle dependence on  $m_H$  than the  $m_t^2$  dependence of the top-quark corrections.



Since  $m_Z$  has been determined at LEP to 23 ppm, it is interesting to examine the dependence of  $m_W$  upon  $m_t$  and  $m_H$ .

Indirect measurements of  $m_W$  and  $m_t$  (dashed line)

Direct measurements of  $m_W$  and  $m_t$  (solid line)  $m_t = 173.1 \pm 1.3 \text{ GeV}$  $m_W = 80.399 \pm 0.023 \text{ GeV}$ 

both shown as one-standard-deviation regions.



The indirect and direct determinations are in reasonable agreement and both favor a light Higgs boson, within the framework of the SM.

## Summary of EW precision data



Better estimates of the SM Higgs boson mass are obtained by combining all available data:

Summary of electroweak precision measurements (status summer 2009) as given on LEP-EWWG page: http://lepewwg.web.cern.ch/LEPEWWG/
#### SM Higgs mass fit to EW precision data

$$m_H = 87^{+35}_{-26} \text{ GeV}$$

Including theory uncertainty

 $m_H < 157 \text{ GeV} \quad (95\% \text{ CL})$ 

Does not include Direct search limit from LEP

 $m_H > 114 \text{ GeV} (95\% \text{ CL})$ 

Renormalize probability for  $m_H > 114$  GeV to 100%:

 $m_H < 186 \text{ GeV} (95\% \text{ CL})$ 



### The MSSM Higgs sector

The SM uses the conjugate field  $\Phi_c = i\sigma_2 \Phi^*$  to generate down quark and lepton masses. In supersymmetric models this must be an independent field

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}} = -\Gamma_d \bar{Q}_L \Phi_1 d_R - \Gamma_e \bar{L}_L \Phi_1 e_R + \text{h.c.} -\Gamma_u \bar{Q}_L \Phi_2 u_R + \text{h.c.}$$

Two complex Higgs doublet fields  $\Phi_1$  and  $\Phi_2$  receive mass and VEVs  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$  from generalized Higgs potential. Mass eigenstates constructed out of these 8 real fields are

#### Neutral sector:

2 CP even Higgs bosons: h and H1 CP odd Higgs boson: A1 Goldstone boson:  $\chi_0$ 

#### Charged sector:

charged Higgs bosons:  $H^{\pm}$ charged Goldstone boson:  $\chi^{\pm}$ 

# Higgs mixing and MSSM parameters

The Higgs potential leads to general mixing of the 2 doublet fields

$$\Phi_{1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2}[H^{-}\sin\beta - \chi^{-}\cos\beta] \\ v_{1} + [H\cos\alpha - h\sin\alpha] + i[A\sin\beta + \chi_{0}\cos\beta] \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2}H^{-}\sin\beta \\ v_{1} + \varphi_{1} + iA\sin\beta \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\Phi_{2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} v_{2} + [H\sin\alpha + h\cos\alpha] + i[A\cos\beta - \chi_{0}\sin\beta] \\ \sqrt{2}[H^{+}\cos\beta + \chi^{+}\sin\beta] \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} v_{2} + \varphi_{2} + iA\cos\beta \\ \sqrt{2}H^{+}\cos\beta \end{pmatrix}$$

The angle  $\beta$  is determined by the VEVs:

$$v_1 = v \, \cos \beta$$
,  $v_2 = v \, \sin \beta$ ,  $\Longrightarrow$   $\frac{v_2}{v_1} = \tan \beta$ 

The mixing angle  $\alpha$  between the 2 CP even scalars and the masses are determined by

$$\tan \beta$$
,  $m_A$ ,  $v = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2} = 246 \, \text{GeV}$ 

#### **SUSY Higgs mass relations**

Higgs potential in the MSSM produces distinct mass relations at tree level

$$m_{h}^{2}, m_{H}^{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ m_{A}^{2} + m_{Z}^{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(m_{A}^{2} + m_{Z}^{2}\right)^{2} - 4m_{A}^{2}m_{Z}^{2}\cos^{2}2\beta} \right]$$
$$m_{H^{\pm}} = \sqrt{m_{A}^{2} + m_{W}^{2}} > m_{W}$$

Pseudoscalar mass  $m_A$  sets scale for H and  $H^{\pm}$  mass, but h must be light

$$m_h^2 = \frac{2m_A^2 m_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta}{m_A^2 + m_Z^2 + \sqrt{\left(m_A^2 + m_Z^2\right)^2 - 4m_A^2 m_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta}} < m_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta$$

because quartic coupling is proportional to  $g^2$ ,  $g^{\prime 2}$ 

Problem:  $m_h < m_Z$  is ruled out by LEP data!  $\implies$  need to include radiative corrections Behaviour for  $m_A \gg m_Z$ :

$$m_H^{\pm} pprox m_A pprox m_H$$
,  $m_h = m_Z |\cos 2\beta|$ 

 $m_h$  is largest for tan  $\beta \rightarrow 0, \infty$ . Later: *h* has SM couplings in  $m_A \rightarrow \infty$  limit (decoupling limit) Include radiative corrections h, H-----h, H t, t, b, b Change h/H mass matrix  $m_{\mu/L}^2 = m_0^2 + S m^2$ diagonalize => mh, mH, mixing angle & Consider special case: mA>>mz, tunB>>1 lowest order: mh = mz (=npper bound) h has SM complings =) +, F, Fz loops dominate strong dependence on stop mixing:  $X_{\pm} = A_{\pm} - \mu \cot \beta$ governs FL, FR (> F, Fz muss eigenstate Rnadratic divergencies cancel at scal  $M_{s}^{2} = \frac{1}{2}(m_{\tilde{t}}^{2} + m_{\tilde{t}}^{2})$ 







Lightest Higgs mass  $m_h \lesssim 135$  GeV since quartic coupling is given by gauge couplings,

$$V_{quartic} = (g^2 + g'^2)/8 \left(\Phi_1^{\dagger}\Phi_1 - \Phi_2^{\dagger}\Phi_2\right)^2 + g^2/2 \Phi_1^{\dagger}\Phi_2 \Phi_2^{\dagger}\Phi_1$$

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# **Coupling to gauge bosons**

$$\mathcal{L} = (D^{\mu}\Phi_{1})^{\dagger} D_{\mu}\Phi_{1} + (D^{\mu}\Phi_{2})^{\dagger} D_{\mu}\Phi_{2}$$
  
$$= \frac{1}{2} |\partial_{\mu}\phi_{1}|^{2} + \frac{1}{2} |\partial_{\mu}\phi_{2}|^{2} + \left(\frac{g_{Z}^{2}}{8}Z_{\mu}Z^{\mu} + \frac{g^{2}}{4}W_{\mu}^{+}W^{-\mu}\right) \left[(v_{1} + \varphi_{1})^{2} + (v_{2} + \varphi_{2})^{2}\right] + \dots$$

The  $v_1^2 + v_2^2 = v^2$  term gives same masses to *W*, *Z* as in the SM

$$m_W^2 = \frac{g^2 v^2}{4} \qquad m_Z^2 = \frac{(g^2 + g'^2) v^2}{4} = \frac{m_W^2}{\cos^2 \theta_W}$$

The couplings to the gauge bosons arise from

$$2v_1\varphi_1 + 2v_2\varphi_2 = 2v \left[ H\cos(\beta - \alpha) + h\sin(\beta - \alpha) \right]$$

 $\implies$  extra coupling factors for *hVV* and *HVV* couplings as compared to SM

$$hVV \sim \sin(\beta - \alpha)$$
  $HVV \sim \cos(\beta - \alpha)$ 

At tree level  

$$\cos^{2}(\beta - \alpha) = \frac{m_{h}^{2}(m_{e}^{2} - m_{h}^{2})}{m_{A}^{2}(m_{H}^{2} - m_{h}^{2})}$$
  
 $\rightarrow \frac{m_{e}^{4}\sin^{2}4\beta}{4m_{A}^{4}}$  for large  $m_{A}$ 

$$\Rightarrow \cos(\beta - \alpha) \Rightarrow 0$$
  

$$\sin(\beta - \alpha) \Rightarrow 1$$
 for large mA

H decouples from W, Z as  $m_A \rightarrow \infty$ h couples like SM } as  $m_A \rightarrow \infty$ 

Radiative corrections: no significant change of tree level result for decoupling.



# **Coupling to fermions**

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk.}} = -\Gamma_b \bar{b}_L \Phi_1^0 b_R - \Gamma_t \bar{t}_L \Phi_2^0 u_R + \text{h.c.}$$
  
=  $-\Gamma_b \bar{b}_L \frac{v_1 + H \cos \alpha - h \sin \alpha + iA \sin \beta}{\sqrt{2}} b_R - \Gamma_t \bar{t}_L \frac{v_2 + H \sin \alpha + h \cos \alpha + iA \cos \beta}{\sqrt{2}} t_R + \text{h.c.}$ 

The  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$  terms are the fermion masses

$$m_b = \frac{\Gamma_b v_1}{\sqrt{2}}$$
  $m_t = \frac{\Gamma_t v_2}{\sqrt{2}}$   $\Longrightarrow$   $\frac{\Gamma_b}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{m_b}{v \cos \beta}$   $\frac{\Gamma_t}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{m_t}{v \sin \beta}$ 

Expressed in terms of masses the Yukawa Lagrangian is

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk.}} = -\frac{m_b}{v}\bar{b}\left(v + H\frac{\cos\alpha}{\cos\beta} - h\frac{\sin\alpha}{\cos\beta} - i\gamma_5A\tan\beta\right)b - \frac{m_t}{v}\bar{t}\left(v + H\frac{\sin\alpha}{\sin\beta} + h\frac{\cos\alpha}{\sin\beta} - i\gamma_5A\cot\beta\right)t$$

 $\implies$  coupling factors compared to SM *hff* coupling  $-i m_f/v$ 

### **Decoupling limit for fermions**

Consider limit  $\sin(\beta - \alpha) \rightarrow 1$ ,  $\cos(\beta - \alpha) \rightarrow 0$ 

*hbb*, *h*ττ:

$$\frac{\sin \alpha}{\cos \beta} = \sin(\beta - \alpha) - \tan \beta \cos(\beta - \alpha) \to 1$$

• *htt*:

$$\frac{\cos\alpha}{\sin\beta} = \sin(\beta - \alpha) + \frac{\cos(\beta - \alpha)}{\tan\beta} \to 1$$

*Hbb*, *H*ττ:

 $\frac{\cos\alpha}{\cos\beta} = \cos(\beta - \alpha) + \tan\beta\,\sin(\beta - \alpha) \to \,\tan\beta$ 

• *Htt*:

$$\frac{\sin \alpha}{\sin \beta} = \cos(\beta - \alpha) - \frac{\sin(\beta - \alpha)}{\tan \beta} \to \frac{-1}{\tan \beta}$$

In the large  $m_A$  regime

- light *h* couplings to fermions approach SM values
- $h\bar{b}b$  (and  $A\bar{b}b$ ,  $H/A\tau\tau$ ) couplings are enhanced  $\sim \tan\beta$  $\implies$  large cross sections at LHC



# Higgs phenonomenology

Importance of decoupling limit in MSSM (large  $m_A$ )  $\implies$  Concentrate on SM case Higgs couples to fermions and gauge bosons proportional to their mass  $\implies$ Heavy SM particles are involved in both production and decay processes  $W, Z, t, b, \tau$ 

Consider

- Higgs decay: total width and decay branching fractions
- Production cross sections at LHC
- Signatures and backgrounds
- Measurement of Higgs couplings

Main Higgs decay channels  

$$H \rightarrow b\overline{b}$$
  $H \rightarrow -- \overleftarrow{b}$   $m_{H} \leq 150 \text{ GeV}$   
 $H \rightarrow e^{+}e^{-}$   $H \rightarrow -- \overleftarrow{e^{+}}$   $m_{H} \leq 140 \text{ GeV}$   
and into gauge bosons  
 $H \rightarrow w^{+}w^{-}$   $H \rightarrow -- \overleftarrow{e^{+}}w^{+}$   $m_{H} \geq 120 \text{ GeV}$   
 $H \rightarrow \Xi = H \rightarrow -- \overleftarrow{e^{+}}w^{+}$   $m_{H} \geq 120 \text{ GeV}$   
 $H \rightarrow 38\%$   $H \rightarrow -- \overleftarrow{e^{+}}w^{-}$   $m_{H} \leq 150 \text{ GeV}$ 



Higgs decays			
For	$m_{\rm H} \lesssim 135$	Gev, Hab	5 dominate
H		-i -	<u>m.s</u> V-
Г(н-	⇒ bb) = 3 <u>~</u>	$\frac{1}{\pi} \left( \frac{\overline{m}_{b} (m_{H})}{v} \right)^{2}$	$\beta^{3}\left(1+\frac{17}{3}\frac{4}{17}+\right)$
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m	(my = 100 Gel	$r$ ) $\approx 2.9  \text{GeV}$	= 0.69 mb (m2
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ł	mt	mf (100Gev)	
b	4.7 GeV	2.92 GeV	
c	1.2 GeV	0.62 Gev	<pre>¿ Γ(H→cē)</pre>
τ	1.8 Gev	1.8 GeV	( <m(h-)te< td=""></m(h-)te<>



modes implemented in HDECAY Djoundi, Kalinowski, Spira, hep-ph/9704448 Continuously updated for SM&MSSM



#### Higgs decay width and branching fractions within the SM



# **Higgs Production Modes at Hadron Colliders**



# Total SM Higgs cross sections at the LHC



• inclusive search for

 $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ 

invariant-mass peak, for  $m_H < 150 \text{ GeV}$ 

• inclusive search for

$$H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- \ell^+ \ell^-$$

for  $m_H \ge 130$  GeV and  $m_H \ne 2m_W$ .

• inclusive search for

$$H \to W^+ W^- \to \ell^+ \bar{\nu} \ell^- \nu$$

for 140 GeV  $\leq m_H \leq 200$  GeV

#### $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$



- $\bigstar ~{\rm BR}(H\!\rightarrow\!\gamma\gamma)\approx 10^{-3}$
- **X** large backgrounds from  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  and  $gg \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- ✓ but CMS and ATLAS will have excellent photon-energy resolution (order of 1%)



Look for two isolated photons.

# $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$

- ✓ Look for a narrow  $\gamma\gamma$  invariant mass peak
- ✓ extrapolate background into the signal region from sidebands.



#### $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- \ell^+ \ell^-$

The gold-plated mode



- ✓ This is the most important and clean search mode for  $2m_Z < m_H < 600$  GeV.
- ✓ continuum, limited, irreducible background from  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow ZZ$
- × small BR( $H \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- \ell^+ \ell^-$ ) ≈ 0.15% (even smaller when  $m_H < 2m_Z$ )





For  $m_H \approx 0.6-1$  TeV, use the "silver-plated" mode  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow \nu \bar{\nu} \ell^+ \ell^-$ 

- $\checkmark BR(H \to \nu \bar{\nu} \ell^+ \ell^-) = 6 BR(H \to \ell^+ \ell^- \ell^+ \ell^-)$
- ✓ the large  $E_T$  missing allows a measurement of the transverse mass

 $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow \ell^+ \bar{\nu} \ell^- \nu$ 



- ✓ Exploit  $\ell^+\ell^-$  angular correlations
- ✓ measure the transverse mass with a Jacobian peak at *m<sub>H</sub>*

$$m_T = \sqrt{2 \, p_T^{\ell \ell} \, \mathbb{Z}_T \left( 1 - \cos \left( \Delta \Phi \right) \right)}$$

✗ background and signal have similar shape ⇒ must know the background normalization precisely



 $m_H = 170 \text{ GeV}$ integrated luminosity = 20 fb<sup>-1</sup>

### Associated production search channels

- $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}H \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ for  $m_H < 120-130$  GeV
- $q\bar{q} \rightarrow WH$ , *ZH* New and improved: Butterworth, Davison, Rubin, Salam, arXiv:0802.2470 trigger on leptonic decay of *W* or *Z*, look for  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

New idea for *WH* and *ZH* associated production: concentrate on high  $p_T(H) \gtrsim 200$  GeV:

- $\implies$  fat Higgs jet with  $b\bar{b}(g)$  subjet structure
- small separation of *b*-quark jets from  $H \rightarrow bb$  decay  $\Longrightarrow$  better  $b\bar{b}(g)$  invariant mass resolution
- lower background fraction than at low  $p_T(H)$

# **Expected signal in** *HZ* and *HW* at $p_T(H) > 200$ GeV

Example:  $m_H = 120$  GeV,  $\int Ldt = 30$  fb<sup>-1</sup>

- Need excellent *b* tagging and non-*b* rejection efficiencies (assumed: 60% and 2% respectively)
- Search in
  (a) *HZ* with *Z*→*ll*(b) *HZ* with *Z*→*vv* and
  (c) *WH*→*lvbb* samples
- Promising signal with 30 fb<sup>-1</sup> when combining all 3 channels

Detailed studies with full detetctor simulation on the way





[Eboli, Hagiwara, Kauer, Plehn, Rainwater, D.Z....]

Most measurements can be performed at the LHC with statistical accuracies on the measured cross sections times decay branching ratios,  $\sigma \times$  BR, of order 10% (sometimes even better).






<ul> <li>Entral jet veto</li> <li>Ettjets background for 99 &gt; 9, H, H &gt; WW</li> <li>⇒ veto b-jets from t &gt; bW</li> <li>⇒ veto b-jets from t &gt; bW</li> <li>t-channel color singlet exchange</li> <li>"synchrotron" radiation between initial and final guark direction</li> <li>Major &amp; CD backgrounds: t-channel color octet exch.</li> <li>Major &amp; CD backgrounds: t-channel color octet exch.</li> <li>Sentral jet veto suppresses &amp; CD back grounds</li> <li>Lentral jet veto suppresses &amp; CD back grounds</li> </ul>	to weak boson fusion
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## **Central Jet Veto:** *Hjjj* **from VBF vs. gluon fusion**



[Del Duca, Frizzo, Maltoni, JHEP 05 (2004) 064]

- Angular distribution of third (softest) jet follows classically expected radiation pattern
- QCD events have higher effective scale and thus produce harder radiation than VBF (larger three jet to two jet ratio for QCD events)
- Central jet veto can be used to distinguish Higgs production via GF from VBF

# **VBF** signature



## Characteristics:

- energetic jets in the forward and backward directions ( $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$ )
- large rapidity separation and large invariant mass of the two tagging jets
- Higgs decay products between tagging jets
- Little gluon radiation in the central-rapidity region, due to colorless W/Z exchange (central jet veto: no extra jets with  $p_T > 20$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.5$ )



Weak Boson Fusion: H > tt

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## Higgs discovery potential



## **Reach for H/A discovery within MSSM**

#### ATLAS TDR



 $5\sigma$  discovery contours

Enhancement of *Hbb* and *Abb* coupling by factor  $\tan \beta$ compared to SM Higgs

- $\implies$  large production cross section for  $pp \rightarrow \bar{b}bH/A$
- $\implies$  decay dominated by  $H/A \rightarrow \bar{b}b, \ \tau^+ \tau^-$

# **Reach for** $H^{\pm}$ **discovery within MSSM**

ATLAS TDR



 $5\sigma$  discovery contours

## Statistical and systematic errors at LHC for SM Higgs rate



Assumed errors in fits to couplings:

- QCD/PDF uncertainties
  - $\pm 5\%$  for VBF
  - $\pm 20\%$  for gluon fusion
- luminosity/acceptance uncertainties

- ±5%

## **Measuring Higgs couplings at LHC**

LHC rates for partonic process  $pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow xx$  given by  $\sigma(pp \rightarrow H) \cdot BR(H \rightarrow xx)$ 

$$\sigma(H) \times \mathrm{BR}(H \to xx) = \frac{\sigma(H)^{\mathrm{SM}}}{\Gamma_p^{\mathrm{SM}}} \cdot \frac{\Gamma_p \Gamma_x}{\Gamma} ,$$

Measure products  $\Gamma_p \Gamma_x / \Gamma$  for combination of processes ( $\Gamma_p = \Gamma(H \rightarrow pp)$ ) Problem: rescaling fit results by common factor *f* 

$$\Gamma_i \rightarrow f \cdot \Gamma_i$$
,  $\Gamma \rightarrow f^2 \Gamma = \sum_{obs} f \Gamma_i + \Gamma_{rest}$ 

leaves observable rate invariant  $\implies$  no model independent results at LHC Loose bounds on scaling factor:

$$f^{2}\Gamma > \sum_{obs.} f\Gamma_{x} \implies f > \sum_{obs.} \frac{\Gamma_{x}}{\Gamma} = \sum_{obs.} BR(H \rightarrow xx) (= \mathcal{O}(1))$$

Total width below experimental resolution of Higgs mass peak ( $\Delta m = 1...20$  GeV)

$$f^2 \Gamma < \Delta m \implies f < \sqrt{\frac{\Delta m}{\Gamma}} < \mathcal{O}(10 - 40)$$

# Fit LHC data within constrained models



With 200 fb $^{-1}$  measure partial width with 10–30% errors, couplings with 5–15% errors

## Distinguishing the MSSM Higgs sector from the SM

Alternative: compare data to predictions of specific models Example:  $m_H^{max}$  scenario of LEP analyses

Consider modest  $m_A$ :

- decoupling almost complete for *hWW* and *hγγ* (effective) vertices
- enhanced *hbb* and  $h\tau\tau$  couplings compared to SM increases total width of *h*
- $\approx$  SM rates for  $h \rightarrow \tau \tau$  in VBF
- suppressed  $h \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$  and  $h \rightarrow WW$  rates in VBF

 $3\sigma$ -effects or more at small  $m_A$ 



## **Corrections for Higgs production cross sections**

Measurement of Higgs couplings from measured signal rates

 $\implies$  need QCD corrections to production cross sections. Much progress in recent years

- $gg \rightarrow H$  (all but NLO in  $m_t \rightarrow \infty$  limit)
  - NLO for finite *m*<sub>t</sub>: Graudenz, Spira, Zerwas (1993)
  - NNLO: Harlander, Kilgore (2001); Anastasiou, Melnikov (2002); Ravindran, Smith, van Neerven (2003)
  - N<sup>3</sup>LO in soft approximation: Moch, Vogt (2005)
- *Hjj* by gluon fusion at NLO: Campbell, Ellis, Zanderighi (2006)
- Higgsstrahlung: implemented in MC@NLO Frixione, Webber
- weak boson fusion
  - distributions at NLO: Figy, Oleari, D.Z (2003); Campbell, Ellis, Berger (2004)
  - 1-loop EW corrections: Ciccolini, Denner, Dittmaier (2007)
  - approx. NLO QCD to *Hjjj*: Figy, Hankele, D.Z (2007)
- *ītH* associated production at NLO: Beenakker et al.; Dawson, Orr, Reina, Wackeroth (2002)
- *bbH* associated production at NLO: Dittmaier, Krämer, Spira; Dawson et al. (2003)

## **QCD corrections to** $gg \rightarrow H$



- ✓ Huge improvement in recent years
- Remaining scale uncertainty below 10%
- ✓ Uncertainty from gluon  $pdf \approx 4 7\%$
- ✓ K-factor for cross section with cuts (central jet veto against *īt* background for *H*→*WW* search) has similar uncertainties [Anastasiou, Dissertori, Stöckli, Webber arXiv:0801.2682]

## **NLO QCD corrections to** $b\bar{b}H$ **production**



- Discovery channel for H/A in the MSSM at sizeable tan β
- NLO corrections known for *bbH* final state
- b-quarks at low  $p_T$ : effective process is  $\bar{b}b \rightarrow H$ : cross section known at NNLO Harlander, Kilgore (2003)



scale dependence of inclusive vs. double b-tagged cross section

# **NLO QCD corrections to VBF**

- ✓ Small QCD corrections of order 10%
- ✓ Tiny scale dependence of NLO result
  - $\pm 5\%$  for distributions
  - < 2% for  $\sigma_{\rm total}$
- ✓ K-factor is phase space dependent
- ✓ QCD corrections under excellent control
- X Need electroweak corrections for 5% uncertainty



 $m_H = 120$  GeV, typical VBF cuts

#### **QCD** + **EW** corrections to Hjj production

Cross sections without and with VBF cuts:  $p_T(j) > 20 \text{ GeV}$   $|y_{j_1} - y_{j_2}| > 4$ ,  $y_{j_1} \cdot y_{j_2} < 0$ 



Ciccolini, Denner, Dittmaier, arXiv:0710.4749

## **Relative size of 1-loop corrections**

rapidity distribution

Consider distributions of hardest jet in the event:  $p_T$  distribution



strong shape changes by QCD corrections, EW corrections affect mostly normalization

# *Hjj* cross section for gluon fusion

Calculation of  $H_{jj}$  cross section at NLO in  $m_t \rightarrow \infty$  limit by Campbell, Ellis, Zanderighi, hep-ph/0608194



- Modest increase of cross section at 1-loop: K-factor of order 1.2 1.4
- Reduced scale dependence at NLO: remaining scale uncertainty  $\approx \pm 20\%$

#### Conclusions

- Spontaneous breaking of  $SU(2) \times U(1)$  symmetry is largely untested experimentally  $\implies$  most important task for the LHC
- LHC will observe a SM-like Higgs boson in multiple channels, with 5...20% statistical errors
   ⇒ great source of information on Higgs couplings
- Absence of *HVV* and *AVV* couplings for the heavy *H/A* of the MSSM make their observation more challenging → Need large tan β rate enhancement for their discovery
- NLO QCD corrections and improved simulation tools are important for precise measurements with full LHC data.
- An exciting new era of particle physics is starting right now.