
Complete fermionic two-loop results to the effective weak mixing angle

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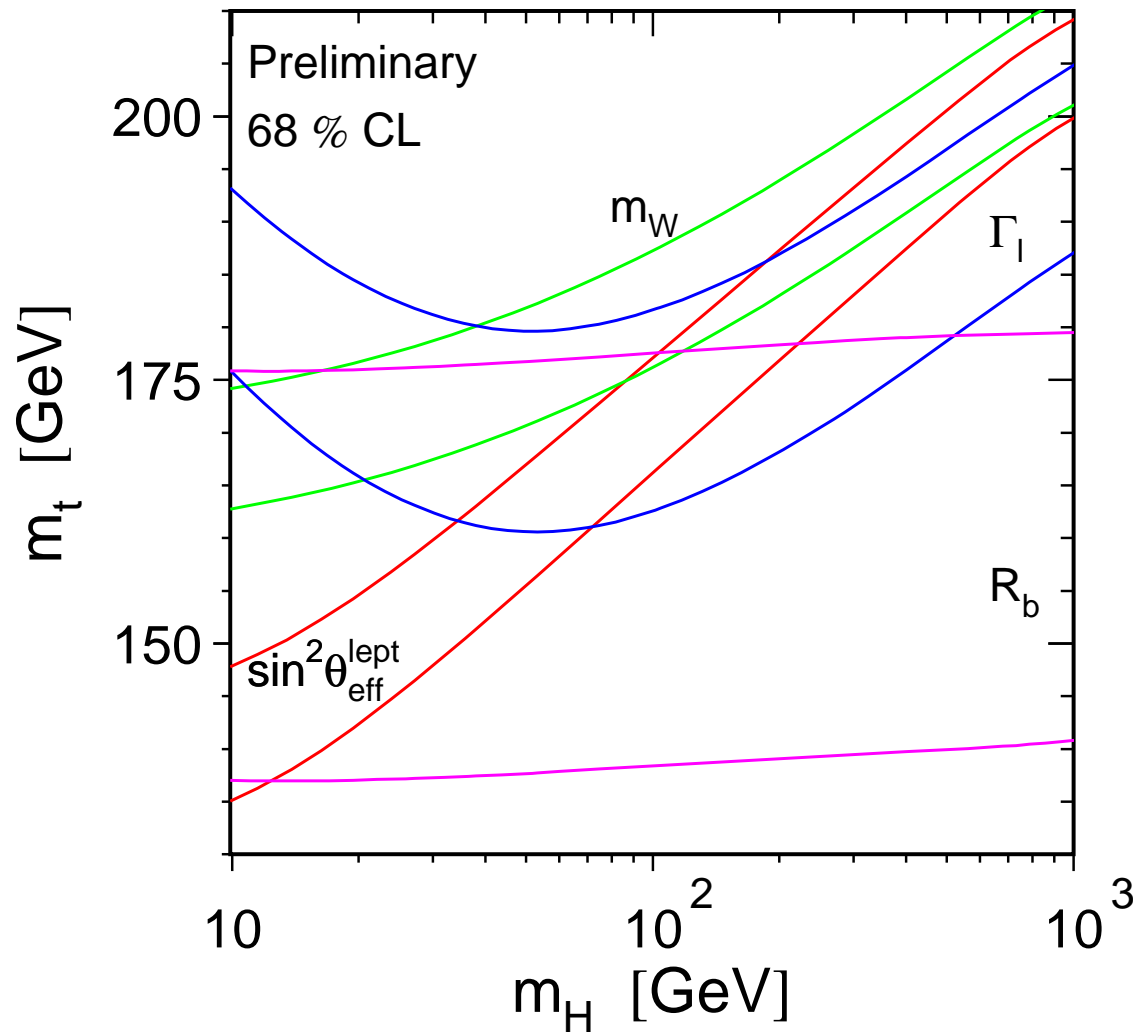
Effective couplings at the Z resonance:

$$\Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{4} \left(1 - \text{Re} \frac{g_V}{g_A} \right) = \left(1 - \frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2} \right) \text{Re} \kappa_l(s = M_Z^2)$$

Theoretical uncertainties

- Unknown higher-order corrections \Rightarrow “blue band”
- experimental error of input parameters: $m_t, \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}, \dots$

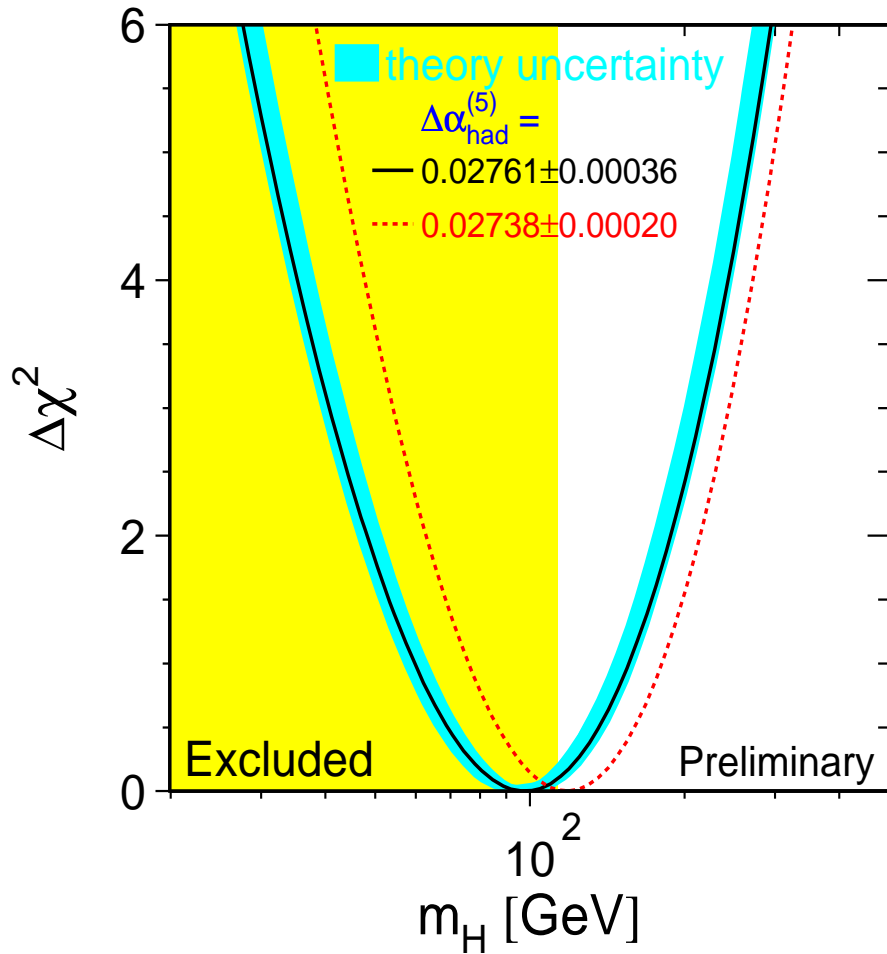
Sensitivity of pseudo-observables to M_H



[LEPEWWG '04]

\Rightarrow highest sensitivity from $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}$ and M_W

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[LEPEWWG '01]

$$\Rightarrow M_H = 98_{-38}^{+58} \text{ GeV}$$

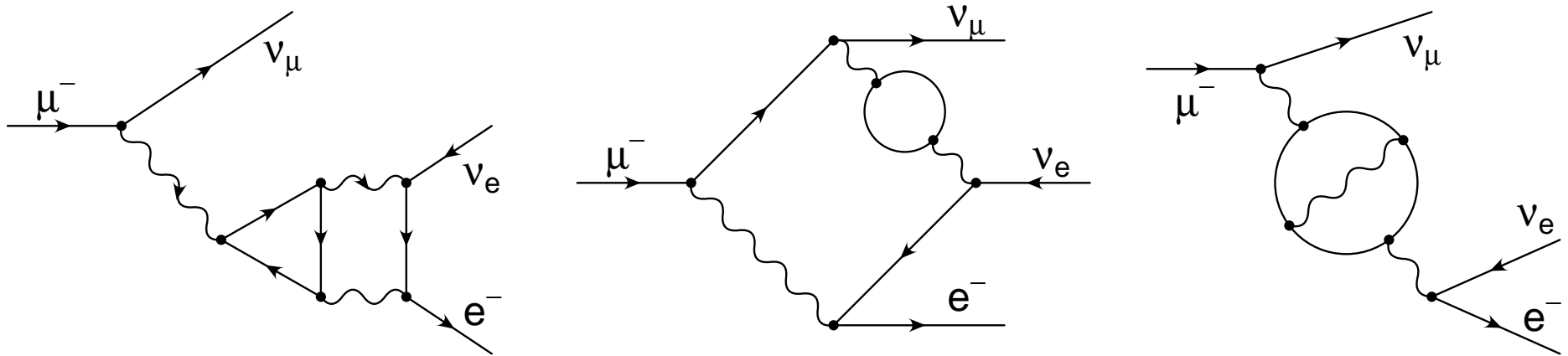
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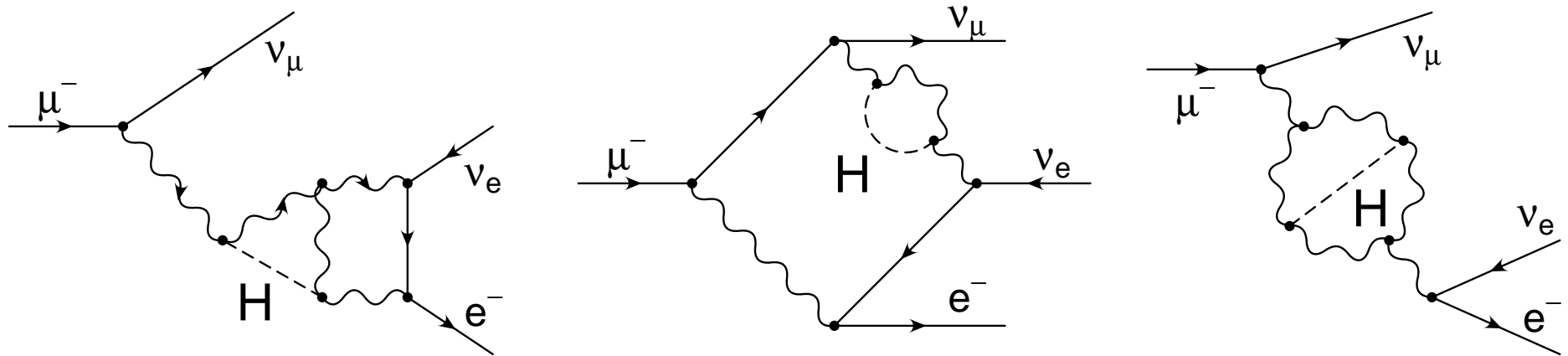
⇒ full dependence on m_t , complete light fermion contributions

⇒ improved error estimate of $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}$

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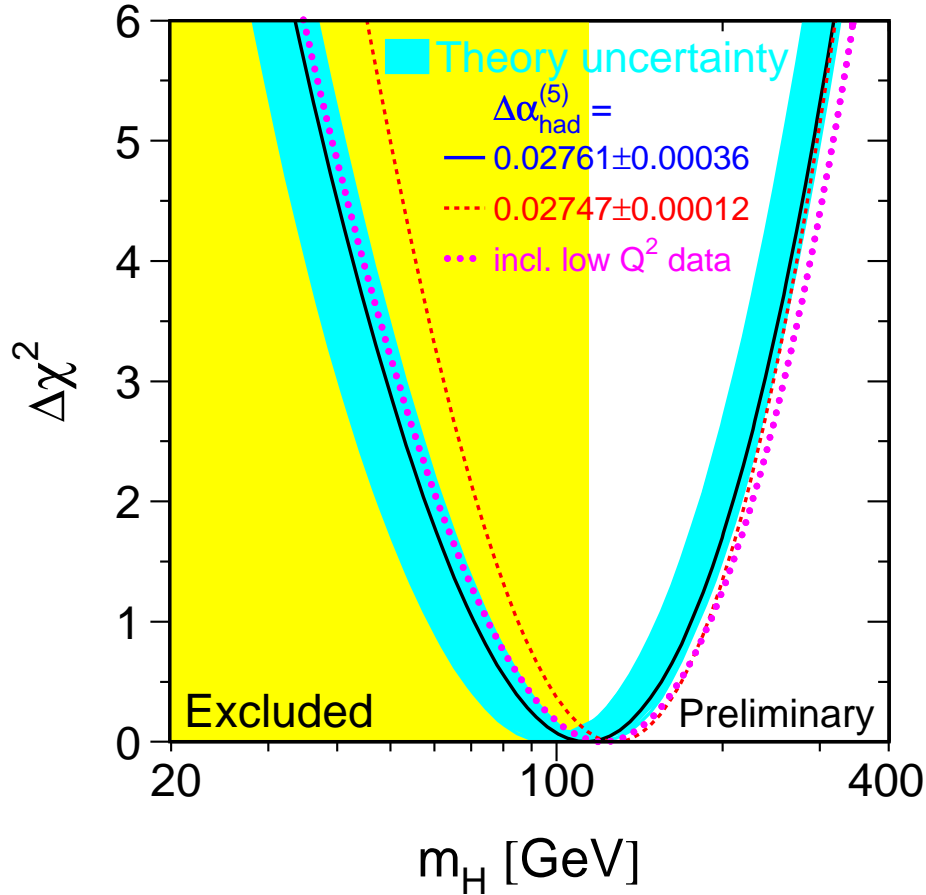
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$$\Rightarrow \Delta M_W \lesssim \pm 1 \text{ MeV}$$

- New m_t value: $m_t = 178.0 \pm 4.3 \text{ GeV}$ [Tevatron EWWG '04]

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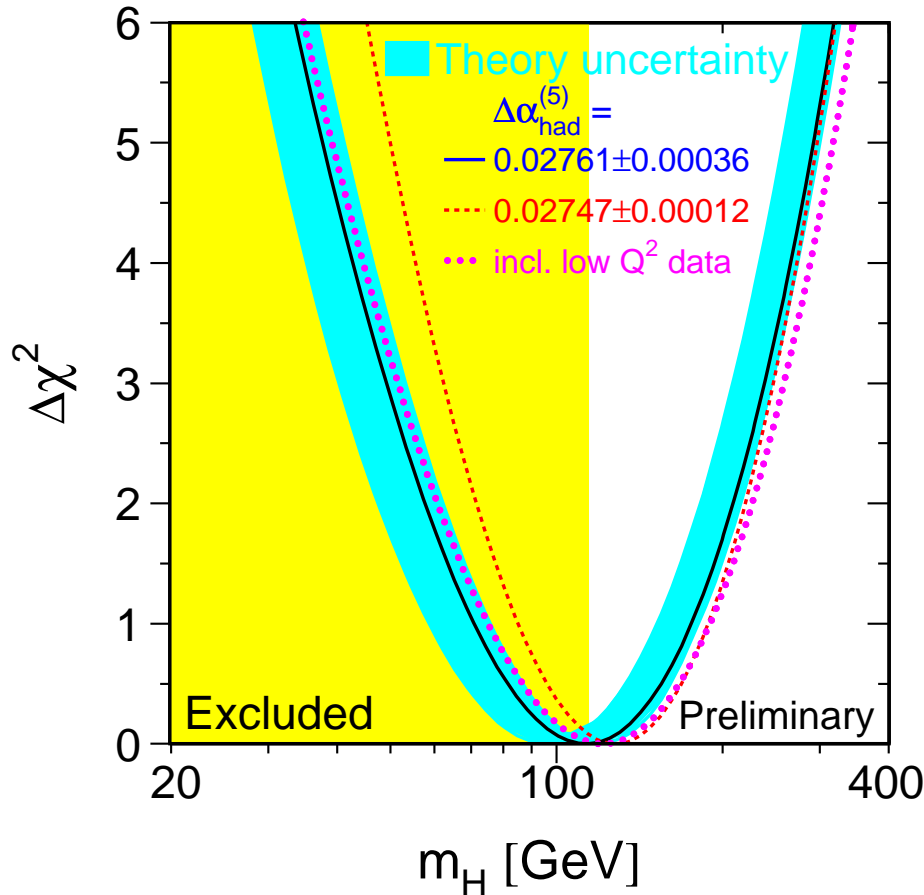


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⇒ “Blue band” has widened due to improved estimate of theoretical uncertainties; main effect from uncertainty of $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}$

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- **Three-loop QCD corrections to M_W , $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}$**

[L. Avdeev, J. Fleischer, S.M. Mikhailov, O. Tarasov '94]

[K. Chetyrkin, J. Kühn, M. Steinhauser '95]

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- ⇒ Theoretical uncertainty of M_W from unknown higher-order corrections: [M. Awramik, M. Czakon, A. Freitas, G.W. '03]

$$\Delta M_W \approx \pm 4 \text{ MeV}$$

2. Evaluation of complete fermionic two-loop corrections to $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}$

$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}, M_W, \dots$: pseudo-observables

⇒ need deconvolution procedure (unfolding) in order to determine $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}, M_W$, etc. from measured cross sections

Expansion of amplitude around complex pole:

$$\mathcal{A}(e^+e^- \rightarrow f\bar{f}) = \frac{R}{s - \mathcal{M}_Z^2} + S + (s - \mathcal{M}_Z^2) S' + \dots$$

$$\mathcal{M}_Z = M_Z^2 - iM_Z\Gamma_Z$$

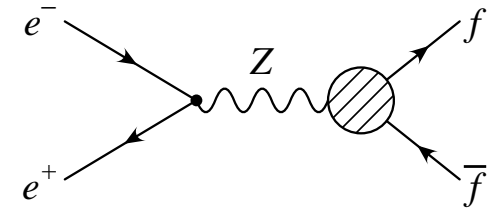
Expanding up to $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)$ using $\mathcal{O}(\Gamma_Z/M_Z) = \mathcal{O}(\alpha)$

⇒ electroweak form factors

Electroweak form factors

$$\kappa_f = \frac{1 - v_f/a_f}{1 - v_f^{(0)}/a_f^{(0)}}; \quad (0) = \text{tree-level}$$

where v_f are the vector $Z f \bar{f}$ couplings
 a_f are the axial-vector $Z f \bar{f}$ couplings



⇒ Two-loop contribution:

$$\kappa_l^{(2)} = \frac{a_l^{(2)} v_l^{(0)} a_l^{(0)} - v_l^{(2)} (a_l^{(0)})^2 - (a_l^{(1)})^2 v_l^{(0)} + a_l^{(1)} v_l^{(1)} a_l^{(0)}}{(a_l^{(0)})^2 (a_l^{(0)} - v_l^{(0)})} \Bigg|_{s=M_Z^2}$$

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The diagram illustrates the cancellation of infrared (IR) divergencies. On the left, a two-loop diagram shows an incoming Z boson (wavy line) interacting with a fermion loop (solid lines with arrows). The loop contains a Z boson (wavy line) and a photon (wavy line). This diagram is equal to the product of two one-loop diagrams: one with a Z boson loop and one with a photon loop, plus a finite term. The labels 'Z' and ' γ ' identify the bosons in the diagrams.

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- Genuine 2-loop contributions contain products of imaginary parts of 1-loop terms

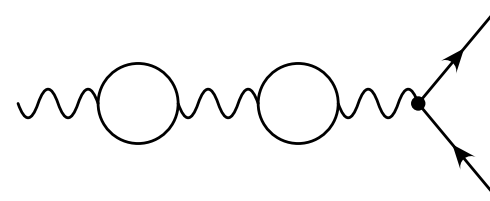


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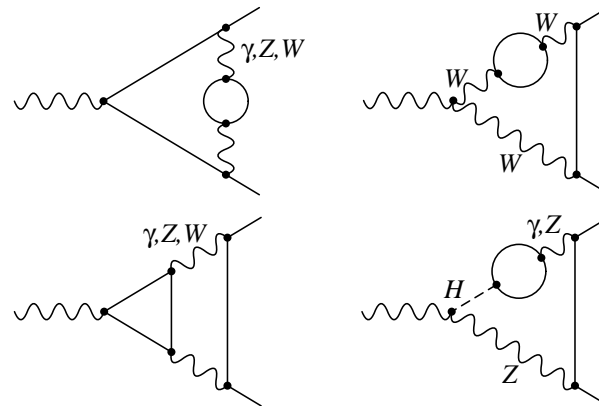
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two classes:
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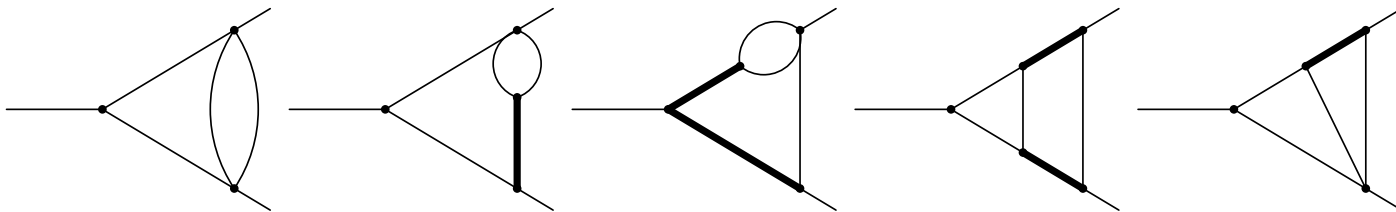
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- **Top-quark contributions:** expansion in M_Z^2/m_t^2
⇒ expansion up to $(M_Z^2/m_t^2)^5$ yields intrinsic precision of 10^{-7}

Light fermion contributions:

depend on only one variable ⇒ reduction to master integrals using integration by parts and Lorentz invariance identities

[Chetyrkin, Tkachov '81] [Gehrmann, Remiddi '00] [Laporta '00]



Analytical results for master integrals via differential equations

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- Numerical integrations of master integrals for top-quark and light fermion contributions

Self-energy subloop: dispersion representation

$$B_0(p^2, m_1^2, m_2^2) = - \int_{(m_1+m_2)^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{\Delta B_0(s, m_1^2, m_2^2)}{s - p^2}$$

- ⇒ insertion in 2-loop integral yields N-point one-loop function that can be integrated
- ⇒ one-dimensional integral representation [S. Bauberger '95]

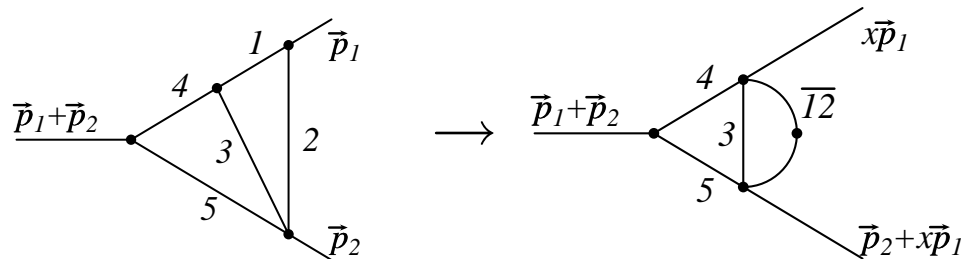
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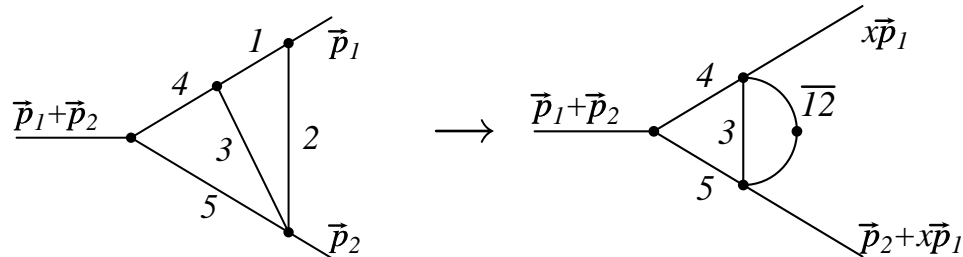
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⇒ approximates full result within 4.5×10^{-6} for
 $10 \text{ GeV} \leq M_H \leq 1 \text{ TeV}$, 2σ variations

implemented in ZFITTER 6.40 [D. Bardin et al. '04]

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Different methods:

geometric progression from lower orders, multiplication of possible enhancement factors by coefficients of $\mathcal{O}(1)$, ...

$$\Rightarrow \Delta \sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}} \approx \pm 5 \times 10^{-5}$$

Comparison with previous result

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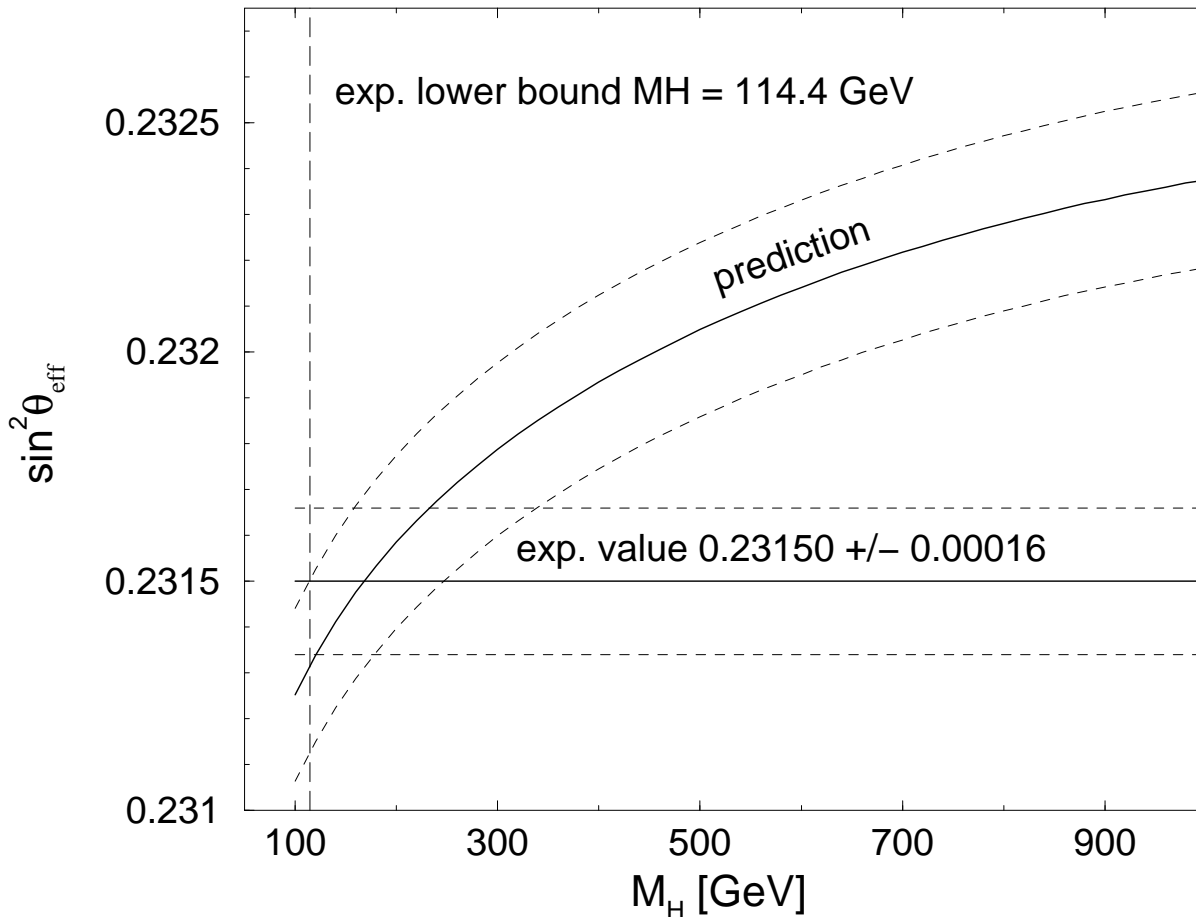
Comparison of new result for $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}$ with previous version of ZFITTER:

$M_H = 100 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow$ downward shift by 4.5×10^{-5}

$M_H = 300 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow$ downward shift by 8.5×10^{-5}

$M_H = 600 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow$ downward shift by 11.7×10^{-5}

SM prediction for $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}$ vs. experimental result



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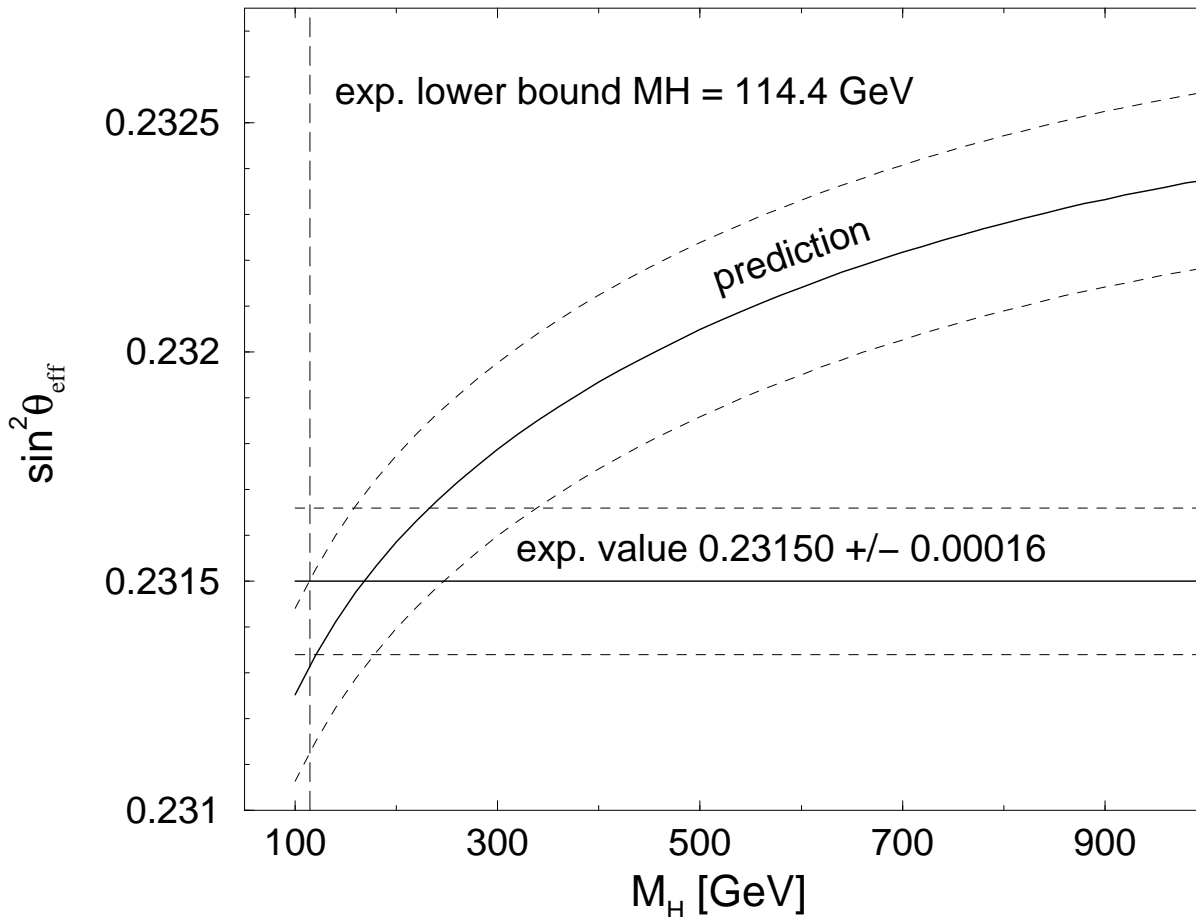
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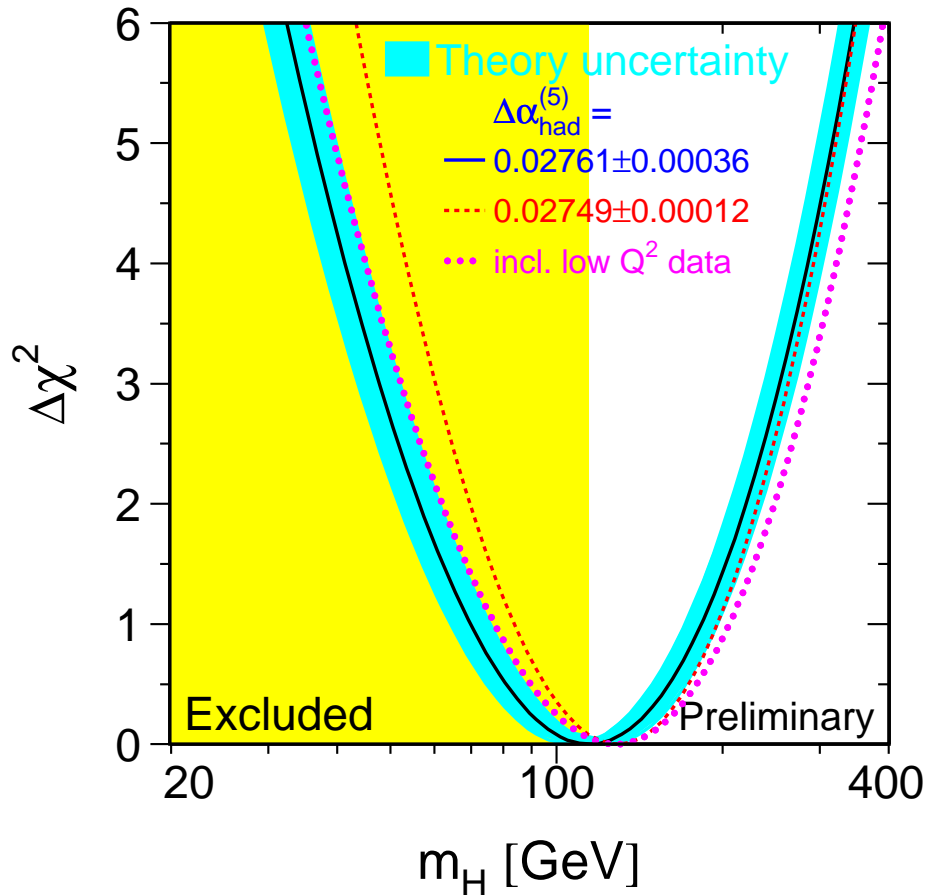
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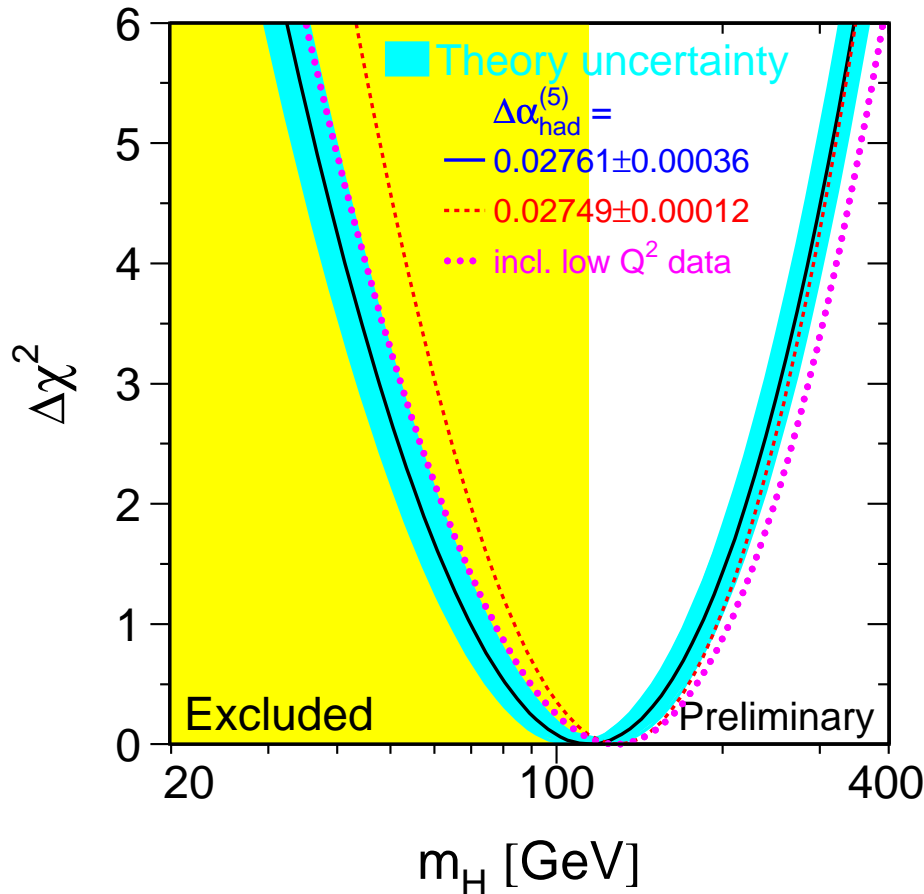
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\Rightarrow Smaller blue band; $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}$ still the dominant uncertainty

Upper M_H limit increased by ≈ 10 GeV

Electroweak precision measurements at the LC

Precision measurements at the

Z resonance / WW threshold (GigaZ) and the **$t\bar{t}$** threshold:

$$\Rightarrow \quad \delta \sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}} \approx 1 \times 10^{-5}, \quad \delta M_W \approx 7 \text{ MeV}, \quad \delta m_t \approx 0.1 \text{ GeV}$$

\Rightarrow Need further improvement in theoretical uncertainties of

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GigaZ experimental accuracy

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$$\delta M_Z = 2.1 \text{ MeV} \Rightarrow \Delta M_W^{\text{para}} \approx 2.5 \text{ MeV}, \quad \Delta \sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^{\text{para}} \approx 1.4 \times 10^{-5}$$

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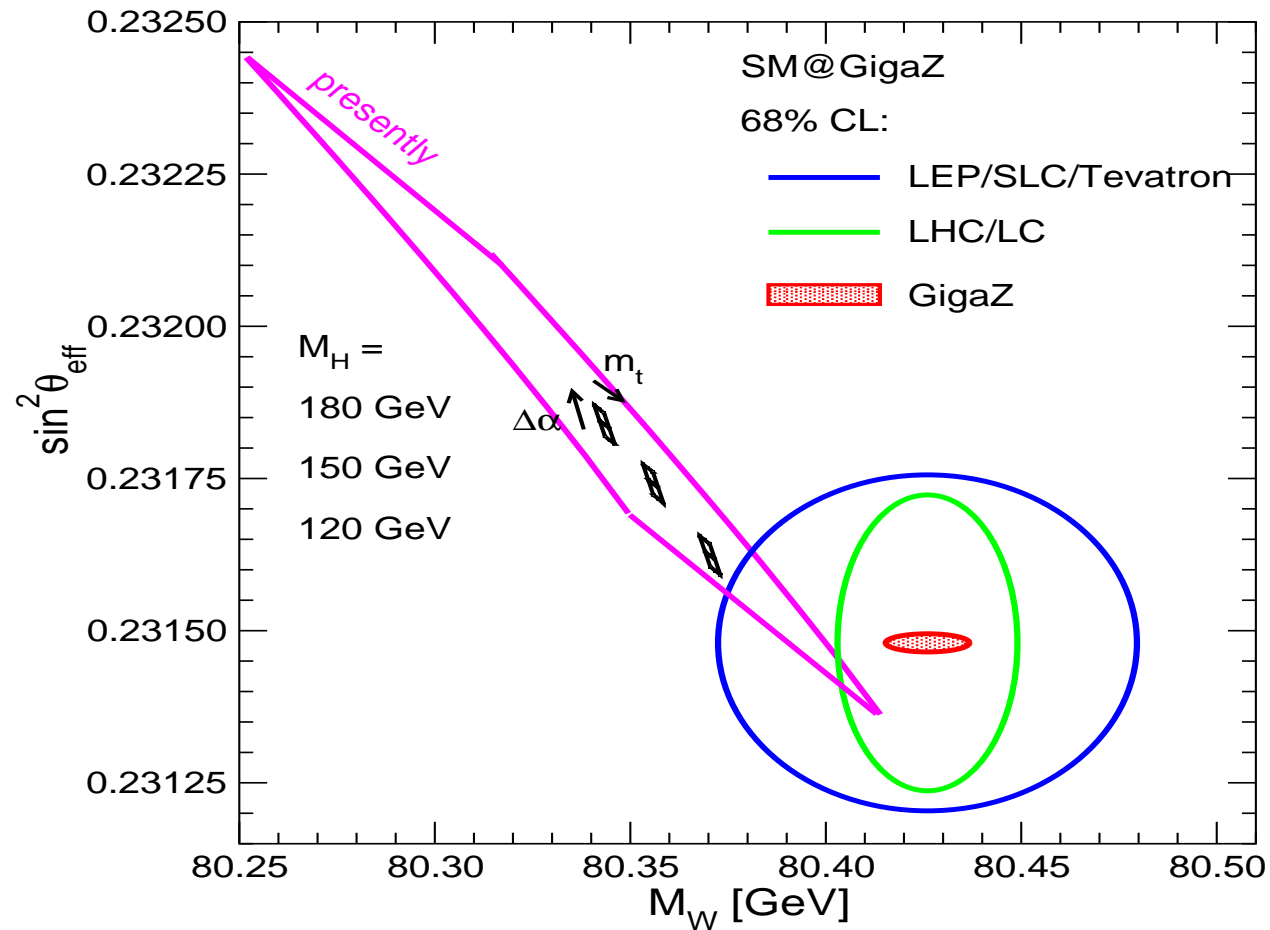
⇒ With LC accuracy on m_t :

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SM prediction for M_W and $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}$ vs. current experimental result (LEP2/Tevatron) and

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