

Vorlesung:

Teilchenphysik I (Particle Physics I)

Brief History of Particle Physics

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Quantum Mechanics & Special Relativity

- Theoretical foundation of Particle Physics
 - **Quantum mechanics** (Heisenberg, Schödinger, Dirac, . . . , 1920s)
 - **Special relativity** (Einstein, 1905)
- Modern theories in Particle Physics: relativistic **quantum field theories** (QFT)
 - Lorentz invariant
 - Quantised fields (fields $\equiv$ quantum mechanical operators)
 - Physical particle $\equiv$ excitation (“quantum”) of fields



Werner Heisenberg



Erwin Schrödinger



Paul A. M. Dirac



Albert Einstein

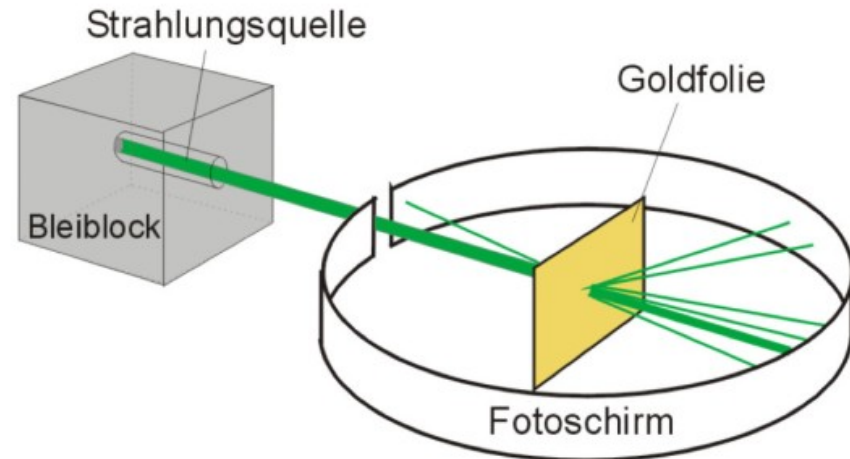
Nuclear Force

■ **Rutherford experiment**

(Rutherford, Geiger, Marsdon 1911)

- Beam of α particles at gold foil
→ distribution of scattering angles θ

$$\frac{dN}{d\theta} \propto \frac{1}{\sin^4(\theta/2)}$$



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- Angular distribution of Coulomb scattering on compact nucleus
→ atom = nucleus + shell

■ Chadwick, Bieler (1921)

- Deviation from $\sin^{-4}(\theta/2)$ behaviour
→ new **nuclear force** ("strong force")



Ernest Rutherford



James Chadwick

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Nuclear Force (2)

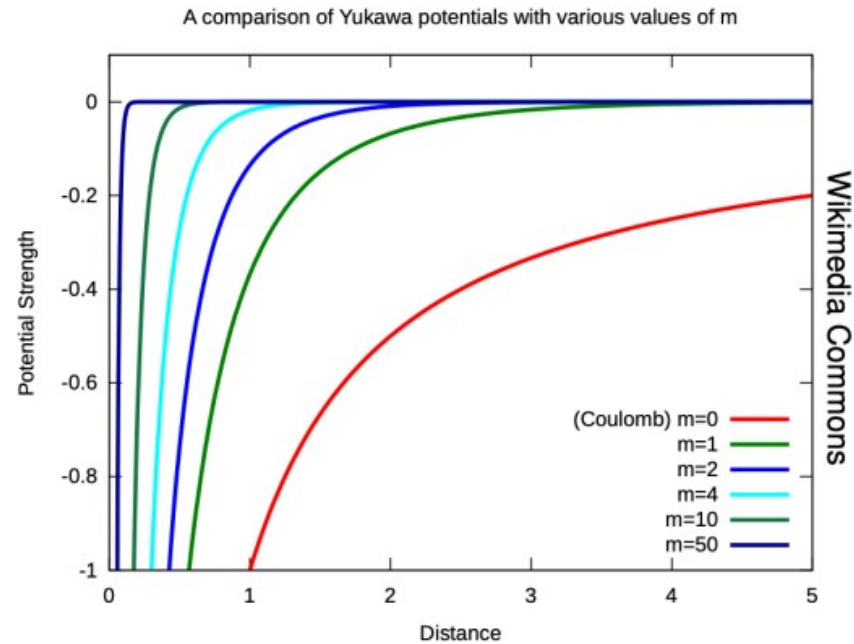
- Discovery of the **neutron**
(Chadwick 1932)
- “**meson**” as exchange particle of the nuclear force (Yukawa 1935)
 - Analogue to the photon in electrodynamics
 - Restricted range λ of nuclear force
 - **Yukawa potential** as function of radial distance r

$$V(r) \propto -\frac{\exp(-r/\lambda)}{r}, \quad \lambda \propto \frac{1}{m}$$

(‘screened Coulomb potential’)

- Experimentally: $\lambda \approx 1$ fm

$$\rightarrow m_{\text{meson}} = \frac{1}{\lambda} = 200 \text{ MeV: pions!}$$



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Strong Isospin

- New concept: **isospin** (isotopic spin)
 - Discovery by Heisenberg in 1932 (naming by Wigner in 1937)
 - Proton and neutron: similar properties
 - Experimentally: scattering on mirror nuclei (number of protons and neutrons switched, e. g. ${}^3\text{H} \leftrightarrow {}^3\text{He}$, ${}^{15}\text{N} \leftrightarrow {}^{15}\text{O}$)
- **strong force independent of electric charge**, invariance when exchanging neutrons with protons
- Conclusions
 - If only strong force: proton = neutron = “nucleon”
 - **Symmetry** between proton and neutron: (strong) isospin i
 - Formal description by group theory: SU(2) group (“flavour SU(2)”, analogue to spin), nucleon as **isospin doublet**

$$\text{nucleon} = \begin{pmatrix} |p\rangle \\ |n\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} |I = \frac{1}{2}, I_3 = +\frac{1}{2}\rangle \\ |I = \frac{1}{2}, I_3 = -\frac{1}{2}\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

Strong Isospin (2)

- Extension of isospin concept to further particles
 - For example: pion = **isospin triplet**

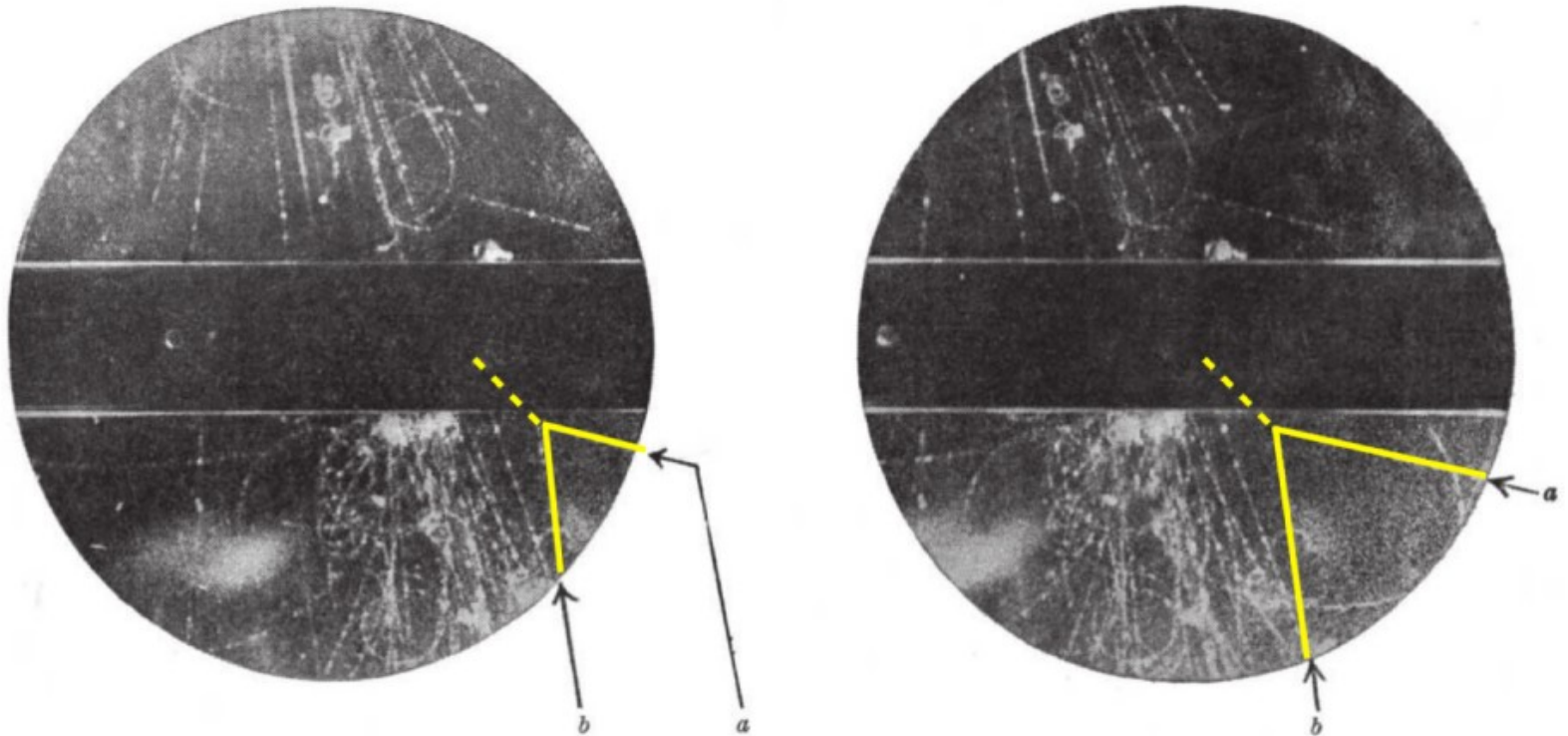
$$\text{pion} = \begin{pmatrix} -|\pi^+\rangle \\ |\pi^0\rangle \\ |\pi^-\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} |I=1, I_3=+1\rangle \\ |I=1, I_3=0\rangle \\ |I=1, I_3=-1\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

- Observations
 - I_3 related to electric charge Q
 - I_3 different for baryons and mesons
 - Relation to baryon number $\mathcal{B}$
(reminder: $\mathcal{B} = \frac{1}{3}(\#\text{quarks} - \#\text{antiquarks})$)

$$I_3 = Q - \frac{\mathcal{B}}{2}$$

Discovery of „Strangeness“

- 1940s: **new “strange” particles** with long lifetime in cosmic rays
 - Rochester, Butler (1947): cloud-chamber photographs



G. D. Rochester, C. C. Butler, Nature 160 (1947) 855–857

- Signature: “neutral vertex” V^0 in lead tile ($\rightarrow$ naming)
- Modern nomenclature: V^0 decays mostly $K_S^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$, $\Lambda_S^0 \rightarrow p \pi^-$

Strangeness (2)

■ θ - τ **puzzle**

- Observation of two (?) particles with final states of **different parity**

$$\theta^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0, \quad \tau^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0 \pi^0$$

- But: particles have **same mass and lifetime** $\rightarrow$ same particle

■ Solution: new quantum number $S =$ **strangeness**

(Gell-Mann, Nishijima 1953)

- Strangeness conserved in strong and electromagnetic interaction
- Strangeness not conserved in weak interactions: V^0 long lifetime
- Different decays of the **same particle** $\theta^+ = \tau^+$ (today: $K^+ \rightarrow 2\pi/3\pi$)

■ Conclusion: **weak interaction violates parity** conservation

Strangeness & Flavour SU3

- Group theory: extension of flavour SU(2) to **flavour SU(3)**
 - Description of all states with two quantum numbers, e.g. I_3 , S
 - Often: flavour hypercharge $Y_F = \mathcal{B} + S$
 - Relation to electric charge:

$$I_3 = Q - \frac{Y_F}{2} = Q - \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{B} + S)$$

Gell-Mann–Nishijima formula

- NB: Generalisation to 6 flavours:

$$Y_F = \mathcal{B} + S + \underbrace{C}_{\text{charm}} + \underbrace{B}_{\text{beauty}} + \underbrace{T}_{\text{truth}}$$



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Murray Gell-Mann



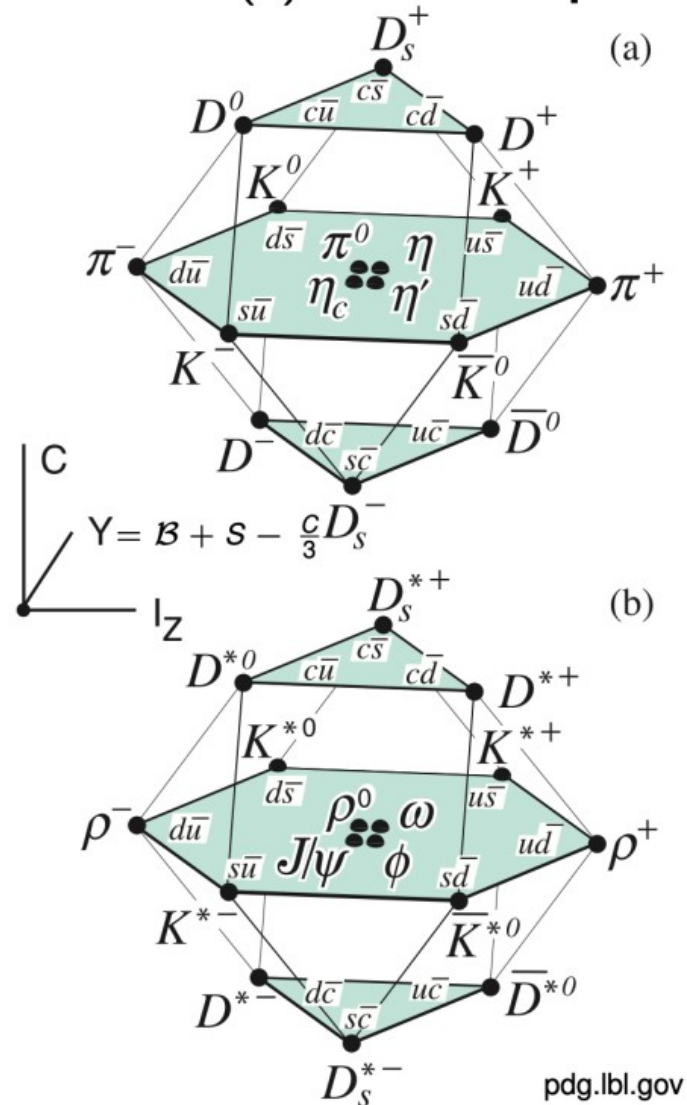
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Kazuhiko Nishijima

The Quark Model

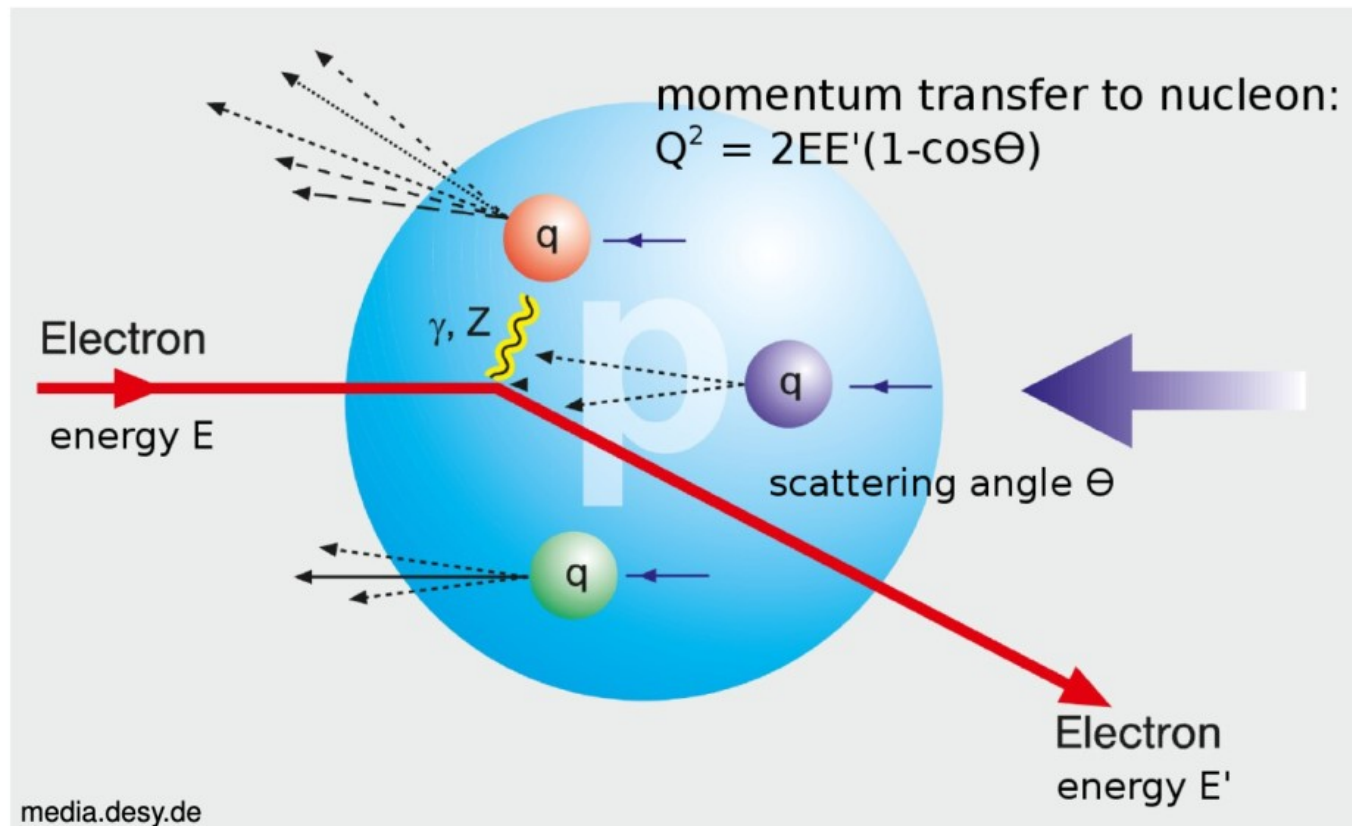
- 1960s: “**particle zoo**”
 - Discovery of many new “elementary” particles, e. g. η' , ρ , ω , K^* , Δ , Σ , Ξ
 - **Classification scheme** desired (analogue to Mendelejew’s periodic table)
- **Quarks** (Gell-Mann 1964) or **Aces** (Zweig 1964)
 - Fundamental representation of flavour SU(3): **3 quarks** (u =up, d =down, s =strange)
 - Extended to 4 quarks (new: c =charm): flavour SU(4) (badly broken because of large c mass)
 - Illustration: meson and baryon multiplets
 - At first solely mathematical tool, **no physical reality** assumed

flavour-SU(4) meson multiplets



Quark-Parton Model

- Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (SLAC), 1960s
 - Scattering experiments: 20 GeV electron beam on fixed target
deep inelastic scattering (DIS)
- probes **nucleon structure** (form factors, e. g. charge distribution)



Quark-Parton Model (2)

- Discovery: nucleons feature **substructure**
(Breidenbach et al., 1969)
- Theoretical interpretation
 - Substructure = “**partons**”: point-like spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ particles (Feynman, 1969)
 - Partons = quarks
(Bjorken, Paschos, 1969)



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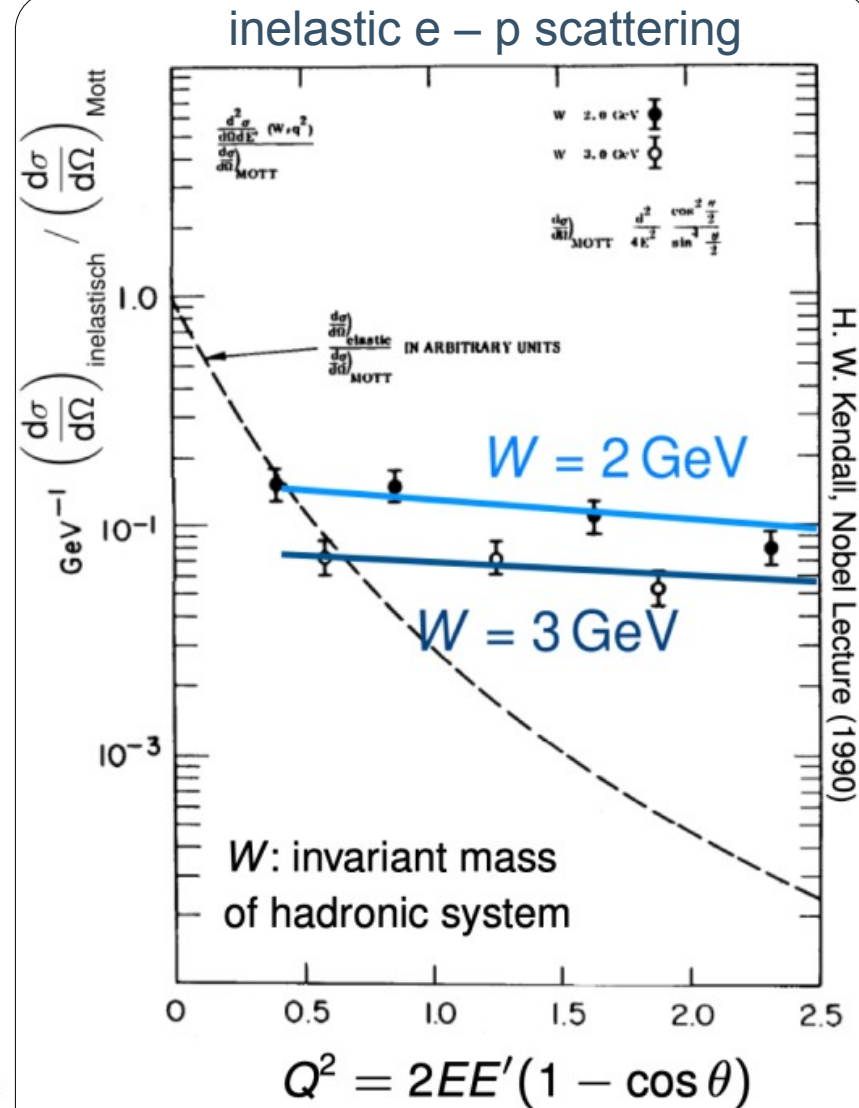
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Deviation from Mott scattering shows that proton is not point-like

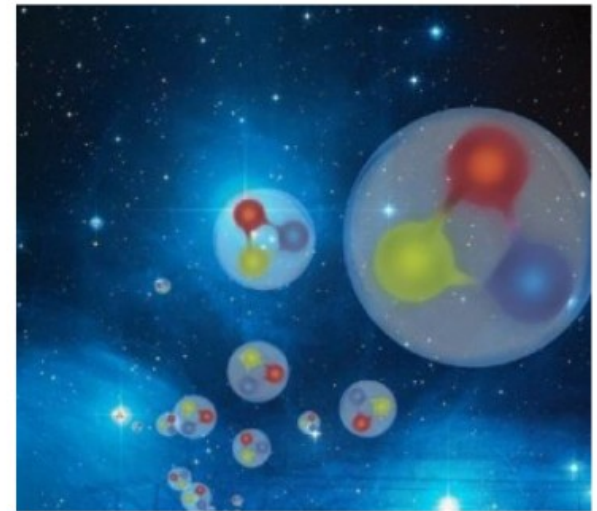
Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)

- **Yang-Mills theory** (Yang, Mills 1954)
 - **$SU(n)$ gauge theory** of strong (and weak) interaction
 - Yang-Mills theory predicts massless force carrier (mediator) particles
 - Contradicts observation (nuclear force mediated by pions, dimension of Fermi constant G_F)
- Hints of additional **internal degree of freedom of quarks**
 - For example, Ω^- baryon with quark content $|sss\rangle$: Ω^- is fermion, but **symmetric** position, spin, and flavour wave functions



C. N. Yang (1922 -) and Robert Mills (1927 - 1999)
at Stony Brook in 1959.

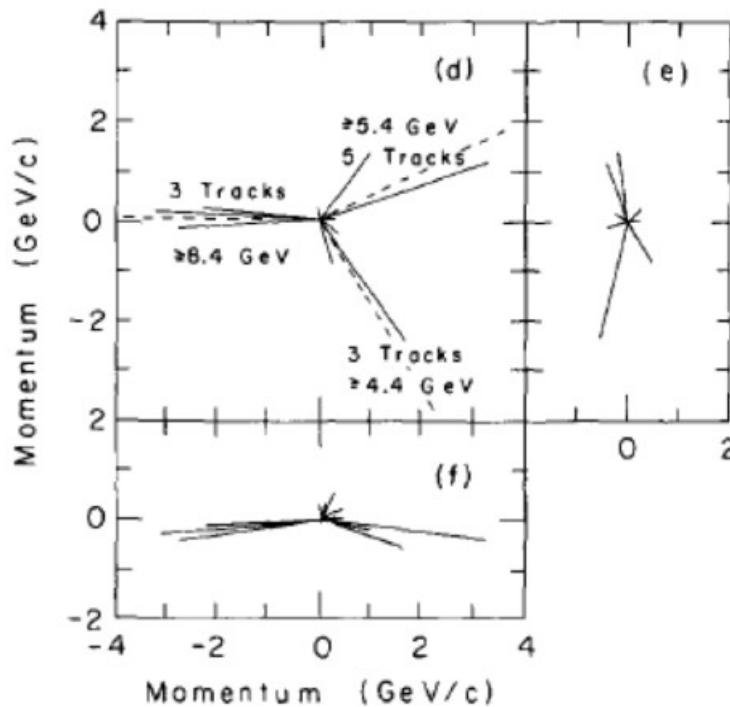
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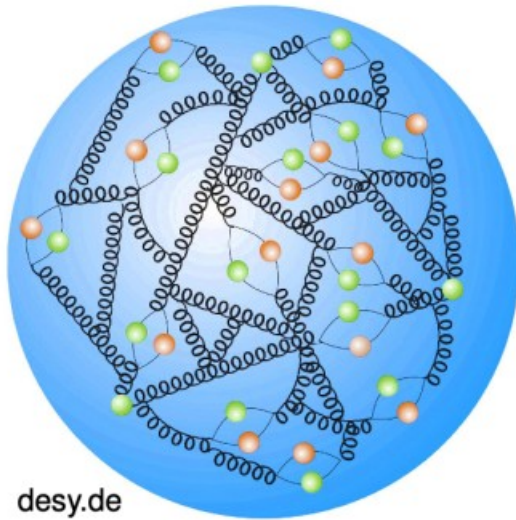
- **Colour $SU(3)$** (Fritzsch, Gell-Mann, Leutwyler 1973)
 - Strong interaction as $SU(3)$ gauge theory for quarks
 - Mediator particles: **8 massless gluons**
 - Quarks and gluons carry “colour charge”→ **Quantum chromodynamics** (QCD)
- Experimentally: **3-jet events** (PETRA, DESY)



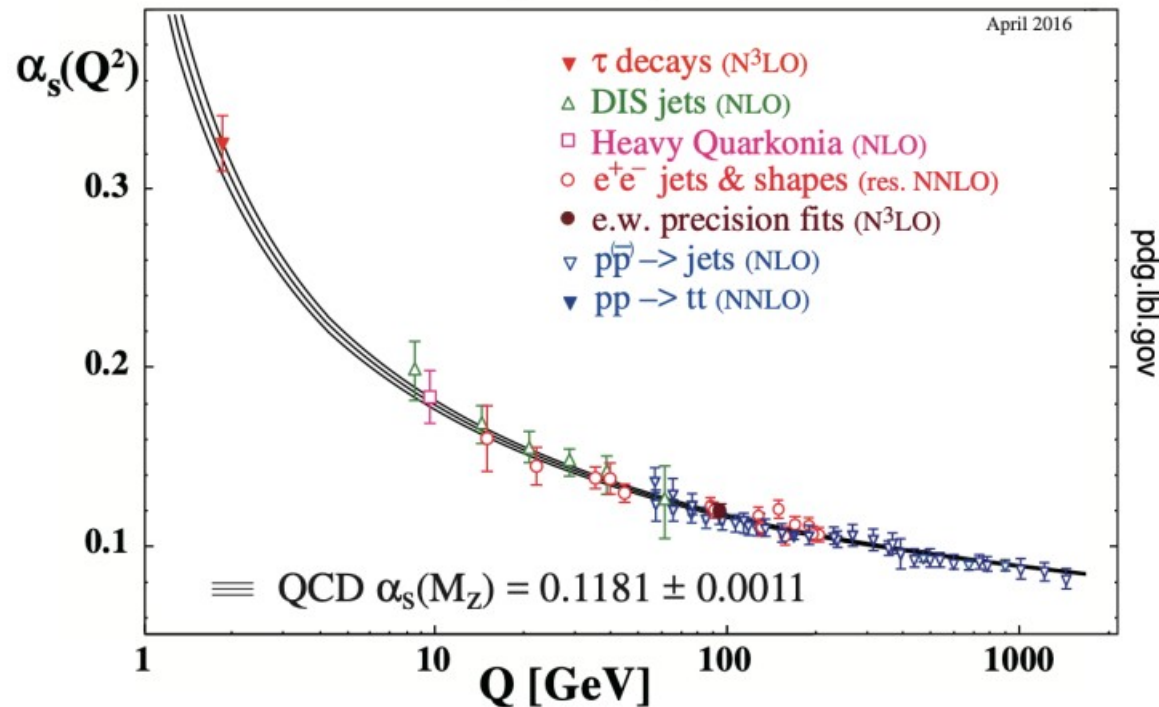
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QCD (3)



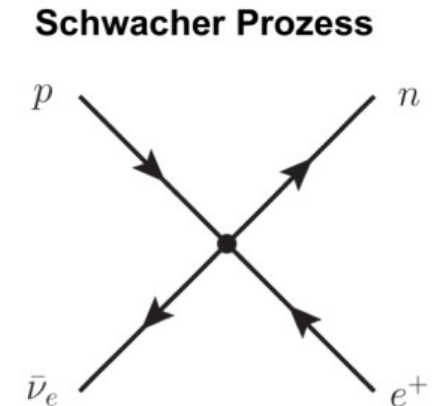
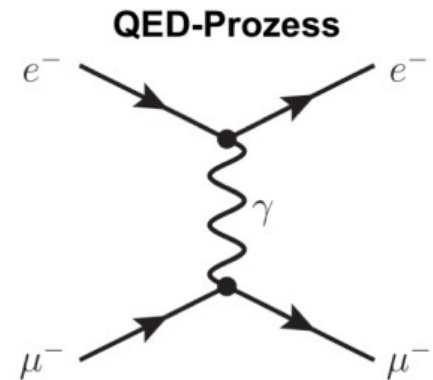
“running” coupling α_s



- Remarkable feature: **asymptotic freedom** (Gross, Wilczek, Politzer 1973)
 - QCD coupling-strength α_s decreases with larger energy
 - Quarks asymptotically free particles in DIS processes
 - Lower energies: **confinement**, bound quarks

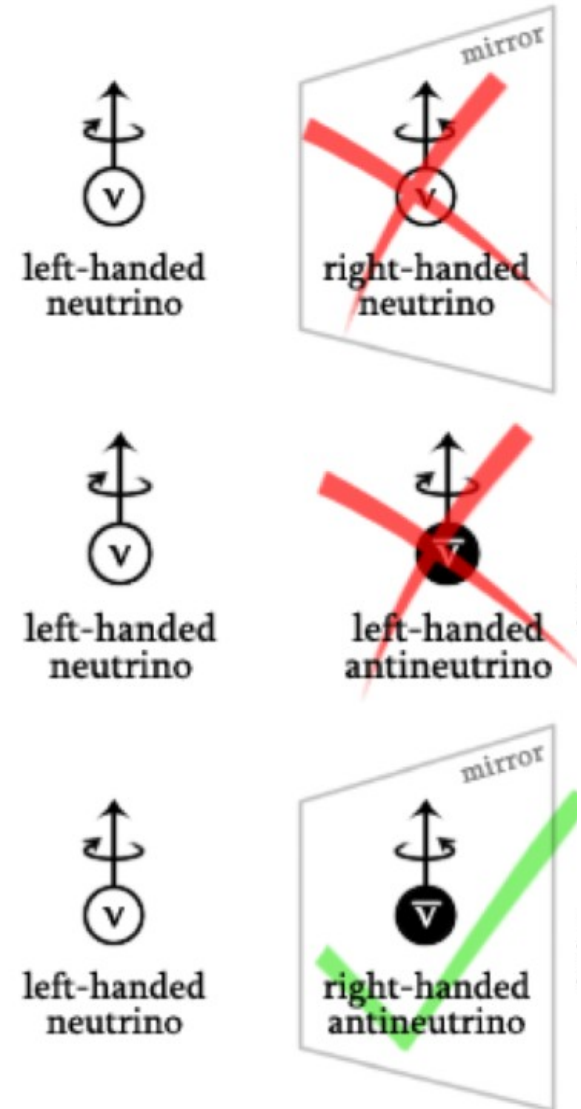
Weak Interaction

- Interaction known from radioactive β **decay**:
 $(A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z + 1) + e^-$
(mass number A , atomic number Z)
 - Two-body decay: electron with fix energy expected
 $\rightarrow$ **contradicts** observation
 - Solution (Pauli 1930): postulation of **neutrino**
 $(A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z + 1) + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$
- Theory of weak interaction (Fermi 1934)
 - **4-vector current** as in electrodynamics
 - **Contact interaction** with coupling constant G_F (Fermi constant)
 - G_F has unit $[\text{energy}]^{-2} \rightarrow$ hint of **massive mediator** particle (today: W boson)



Parity violation in weak interactions

- Discrete symmetries in particle physics:
 - C : charge conjugation
 - P : parity
 - T : time reversal
- Each **conserved individually** in strong and electromagnetic interaction
- **Expectation: parity conservation** in weak interaction



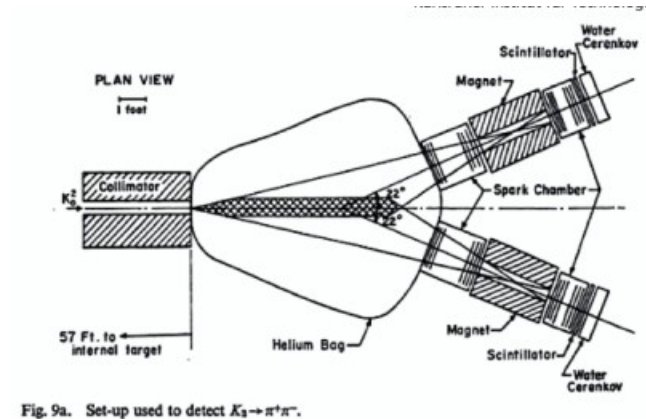
CP-Violation

- Experiment by Christenson, Cronin, Fitch, Turlay (1964):

Decays of neutral K mesons (“ K long”)

CP conserving : $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$

CP violating : $K_L^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ (2000 times fewer)



Phys. Rev. Lett. 13, 138 (1964)

Question at the time:

- a property of the weak interaction ?
- or a hint to a new „superweak interaction“ ?

- **Cosmological implications** (Sakharov 1967):

any mechanism producing baryon asymmetry $\frac{n_B - n_{\bar{B}}}{n_\gamma} \approx 10^{-9}$ requires

- baryon number violation
- C and **CP violation**
- Thermal non-equilibrium

(“Sakharov conditions”)



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Electroweak Theory

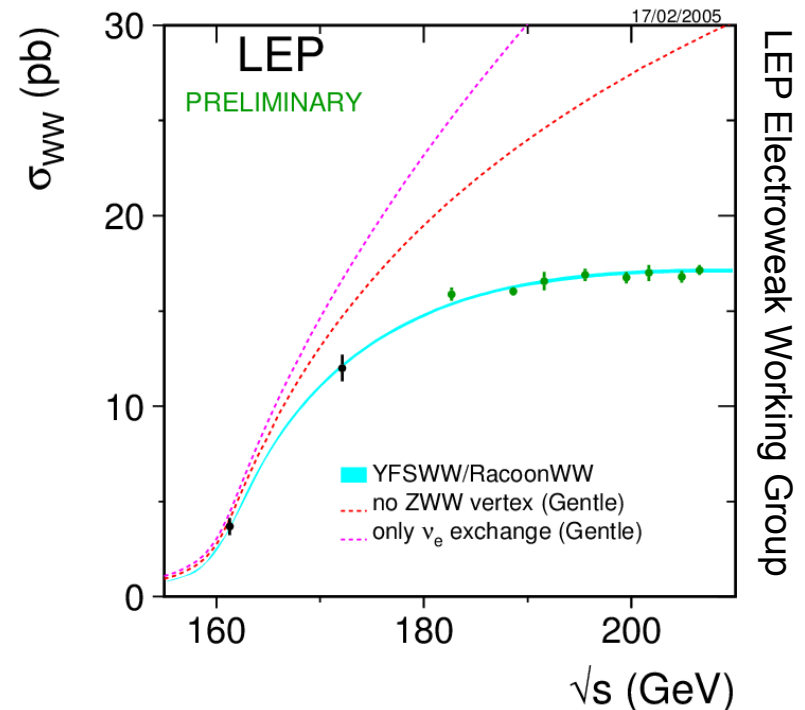
- **Unitarity violation** in V-A theory

- Neutrino-electron scattering cross-section in V-A theory proportional to centre-of-mass energy s , diverges as $s \rightarrow \infty$

- Solution: **unified** theory of the weak and electromagnetic interactions
→ **Glashow-Salam-Weinberg (GSW) model**

- Gauge group: $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$
(Glashow 1961)
 - $SU(2)_L$: weak-isospin space
 - $U(1)_Y$: weak-hypercharge space
- Same coupling at high energies
- Prediction of Z boson

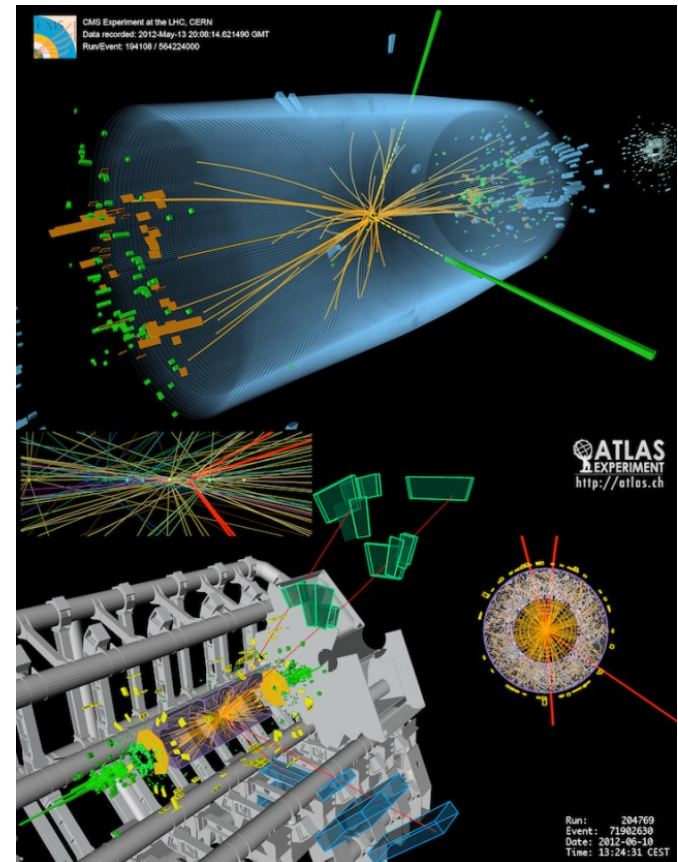
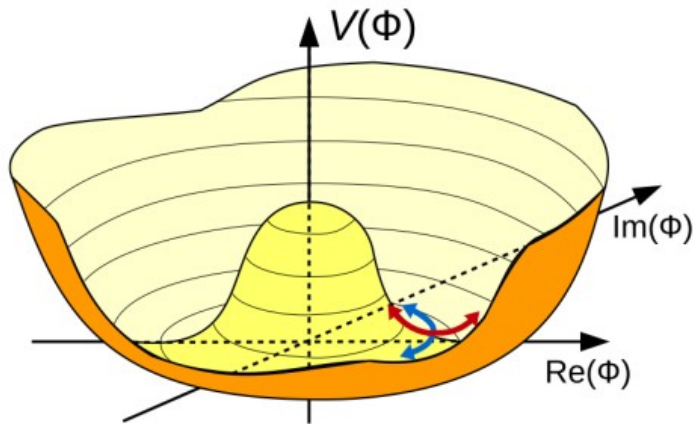
Figure 1: Diagrams of the WW production at LEP2



$e^+e^- \rightarrow WW$ cross section remains finite
with couplings of the GSW Model

Electroweak Theory

- Higgs mechanism: **spontaneous symmetry breaking**
 - Independently discovered by several groups: Higgs; Brout, Englert; Goldstone, Jona-Lasinio, Nambu; Guralnik, Hagen, Kibble
 - Application to $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ symmetry (Salam, Weinberg 1968)
 - allows **massive W/Z bosons**, photon remains massless
 - Prediction of a **Higgs boson** (excitation of Higgs field)



The Standard-Model of Particle Physics

- consistent theoretical description of fundamental Particles and their interactions **EXCEPTION: Gravity !**

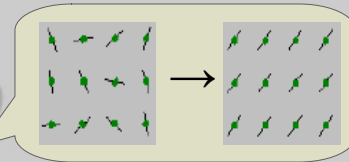
- based on fundamental Symmetries – elegant and beautiful !

- Basic foundations laid in the '60ies – successfully passed all precision tests to date!

- Particle masses through spontaneous symmetry braking

„Higgs-Mechanism“

related **“Higgs Particle”** has long been searched for, found 2012



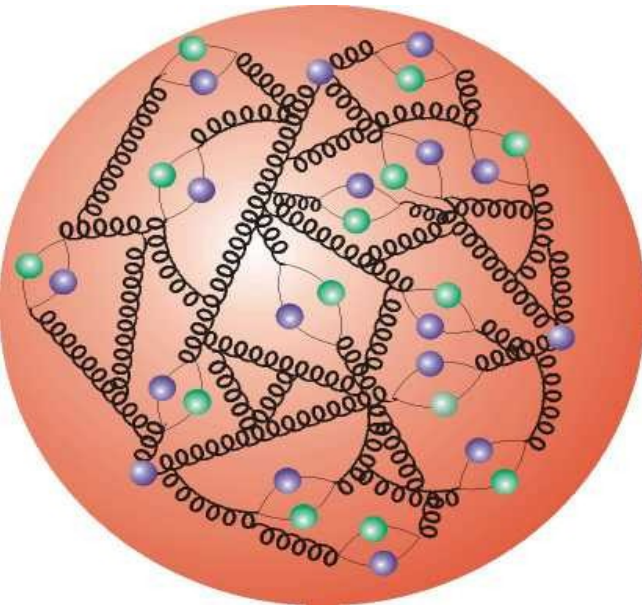
- Many other open questions (Gravity, dark matter & dark energy, ...) require

„new physics“ beyond the standard model
(not topic of this lecture ...)

btw: **mass of the proton ...**

... has a different explanation:

Proton is **not a fundamental** particle,



- valence quarks
 - sea quarks
 - gluons
- bound in volume
of radius $\sim 10^{-15}$ m

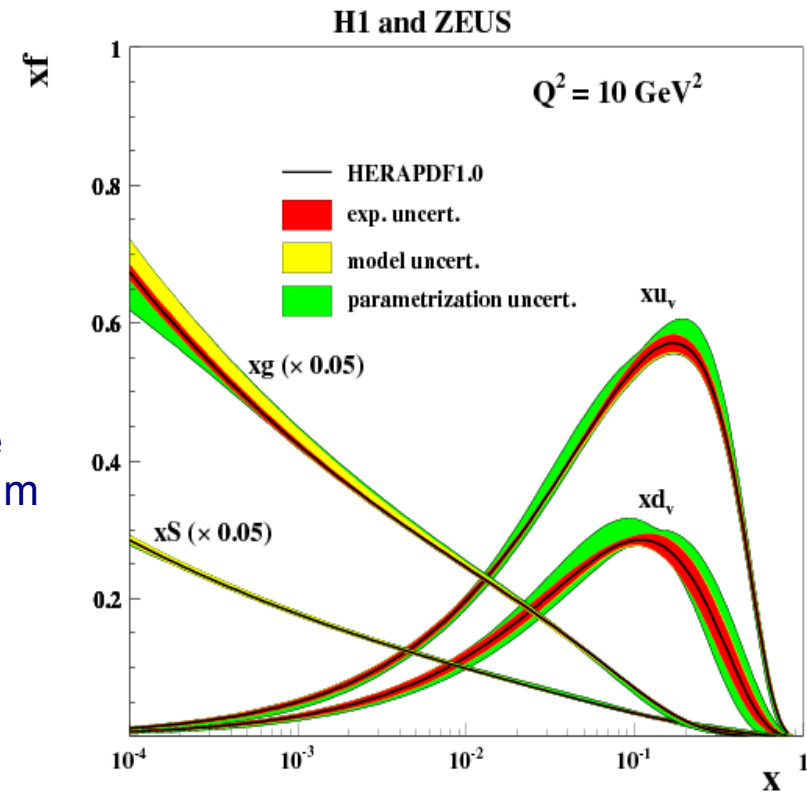
but consists of **quarks and gluons**

proton mass: $938 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

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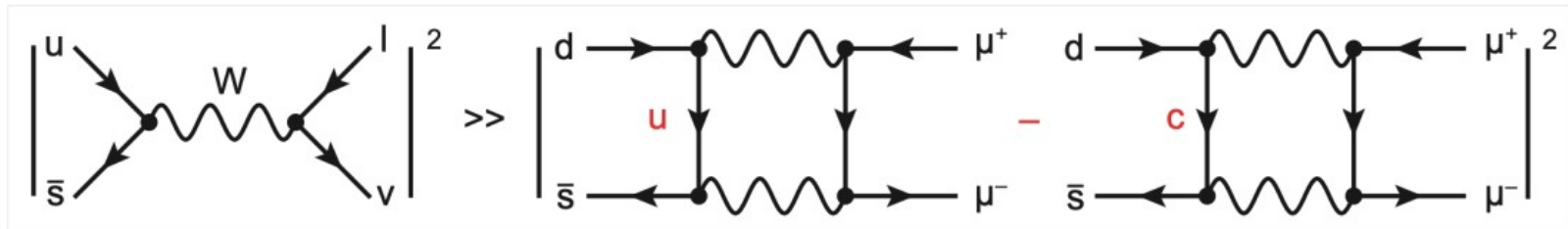
rest mass of valence quarks: $\sim 10 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

only **$\sim 1\%$** due to **valence quark masses**,
rest is kinetic and binding energy.



Electroweak Theory – the flavour sector

- **Quark mixing** (Cabibbo 1963): $u \rightarrow d' = d \cdot \cos \theta_c + s \cdot \sin \theta_c$
with $\sin \theta_c \approx 0.22$ (Cabibbo angle)
- Application of GSW model to quarks
 - W boson couples to linear combination of d and s quarks
 - **Eigenstates of weak interaction $\neq$ mass eigenstates**
- **GIM mechanism** (Glashow, Iliopoulos, Maiani 1970)
 - Observation: $K^+ \rightarrow l\nu$ decays much more frequent than $K^0 \rightarrow \mu\mu$
 - GIM prediction: fourth quark c , adding destructively interfering diagram

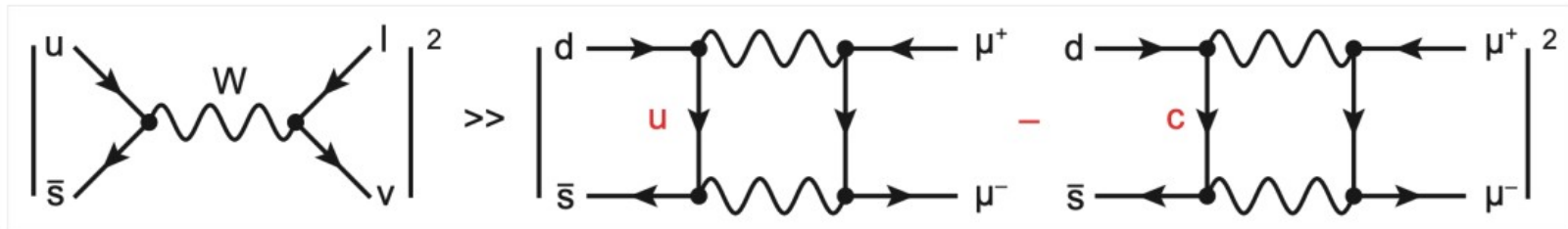


$$\begin{pmatrix} u \rightarrow d' \\ c \rightarrow s' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_c & \sin \theta_c \\ -\sin \theta_c & \cos \theta_c \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \end{pmatrix}$$

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Electroweak Theory – Quark Mixing

- Kobayashi, Maskawa (1973)

- CP violation in quark sector only with at least three quark families
- Mixing via ***Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa matrix*** (CKM matrix)

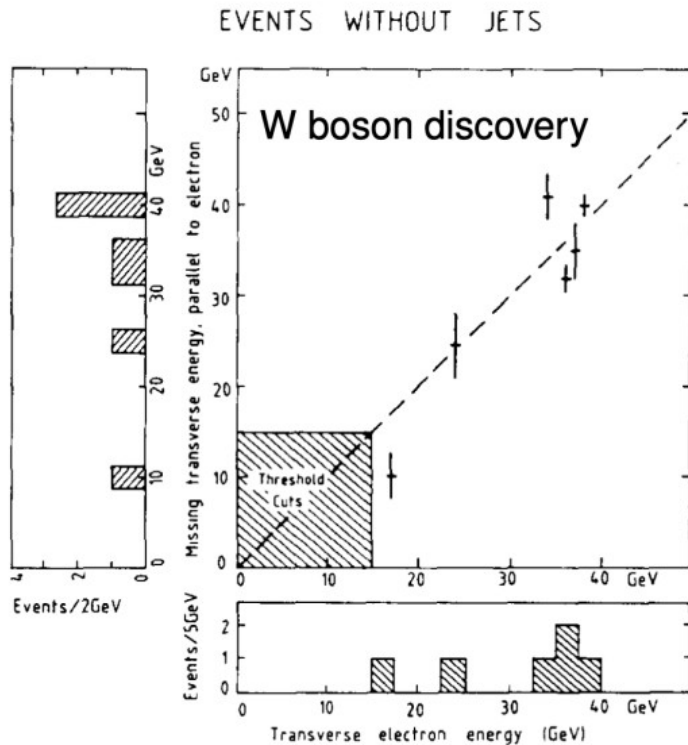
$$\begin{pmatrix} d' \\ s' \\ b' \end{pmatrix} = V_{CKM} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

- Discovery of ***third quark and lepton families***

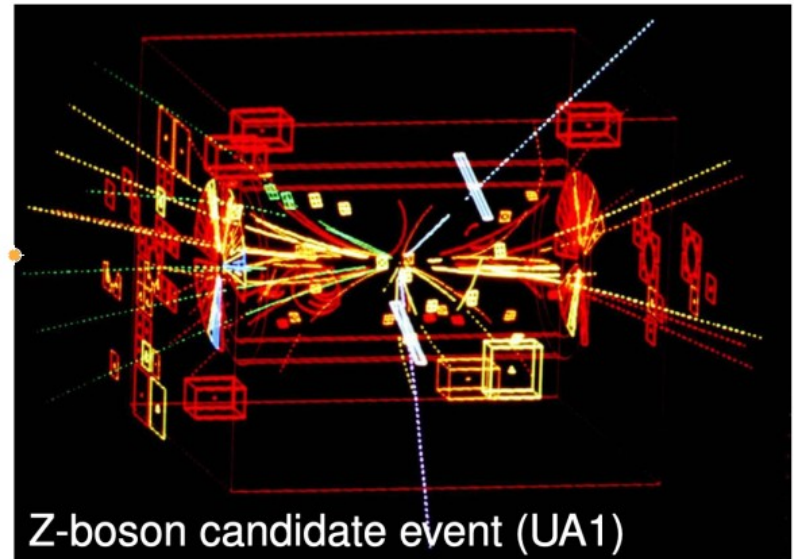
- τ lepton (Perl et al., 1975)
- b quark (Lederman et al., 1977)
- t quark (at Tevatron, 1995)
- ν_τ (with DONUT experiment, 2000)

EW Theory – Discovery of the gauge Bosons

- Discovery of ***W* and *Z* bosons** at Sp $\bar{p}$ S (CERN, 1983)



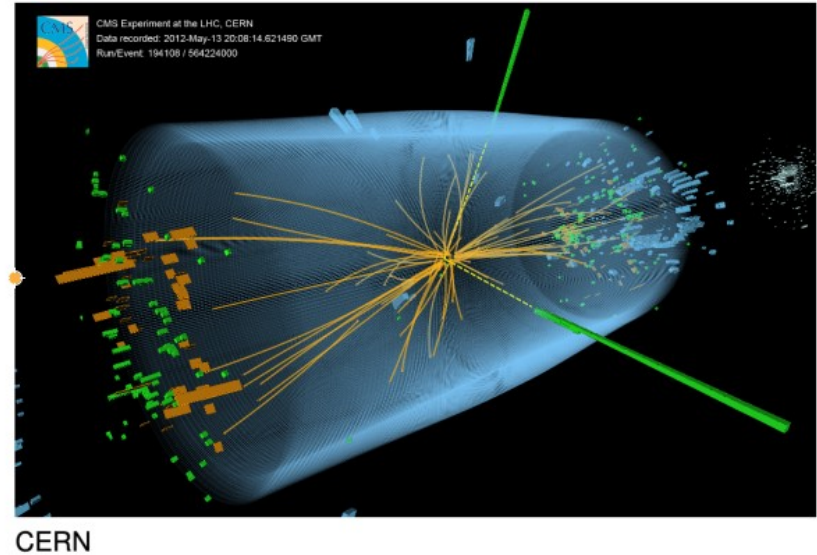
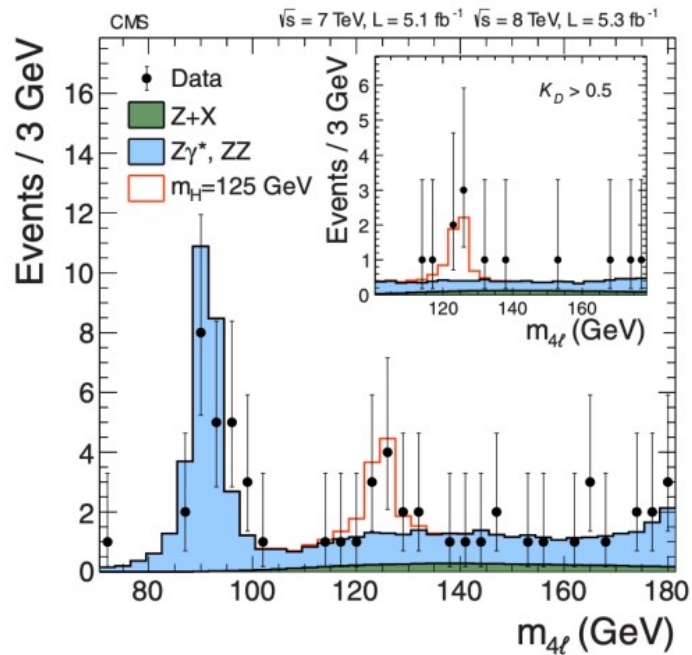
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CERN

EW Theory – Higgs Hunt

- Discovery of a (the?) **Higgs boson** at LHC (CERN, 2012)



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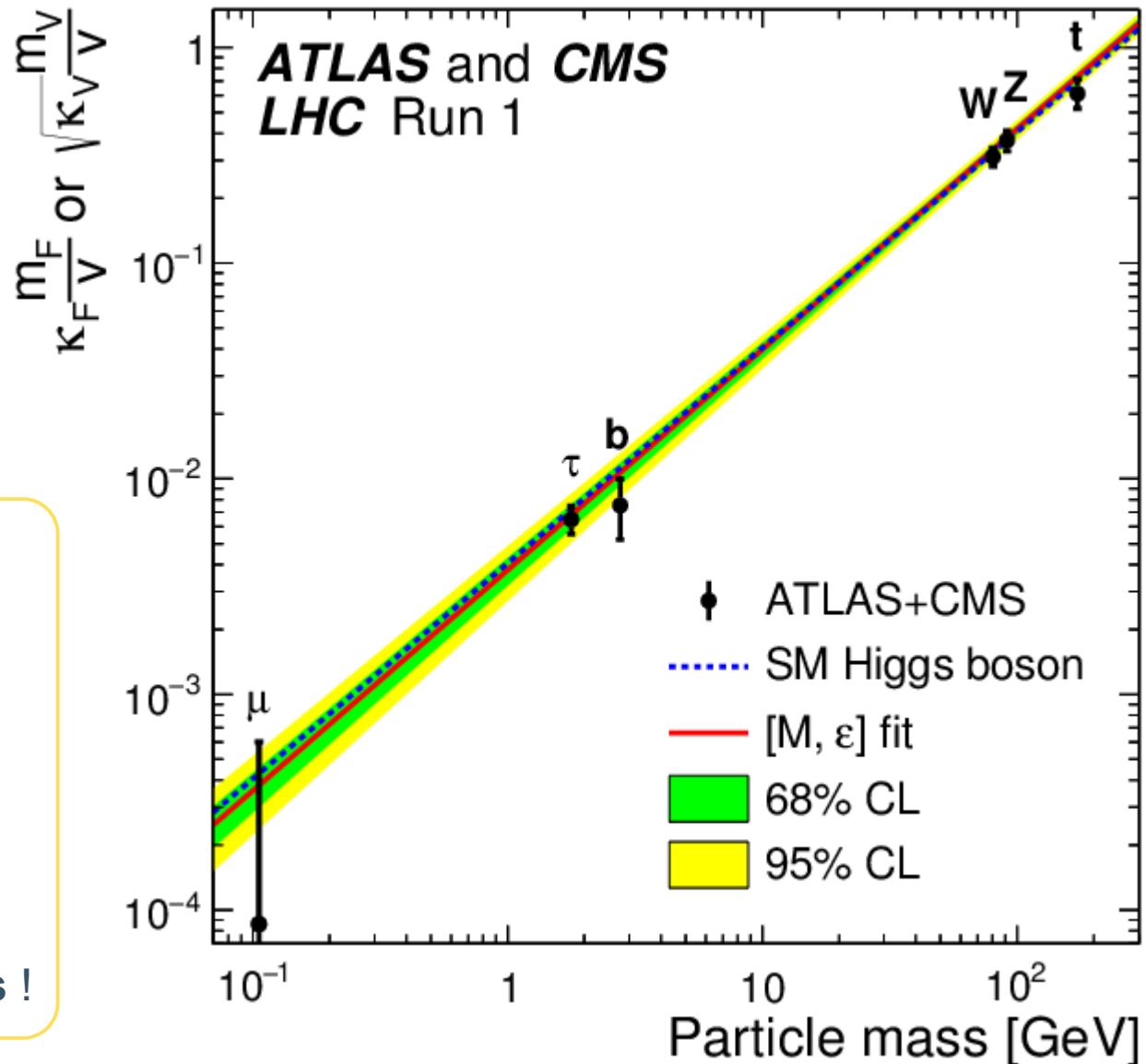
Higgs-Boson Discovery



- **Discovery of „a new particle“ announced at CERN on July 4th 2012**
- **after many more studies called „a Higgs-like particle“**
- **Today we are sure: it is a (the ?) Higgs boson !**

Higgs Couplings to particles

Combination of all measurements at the end of LHC run 1 (2010-2012) :



the new particle is
the only known one
which couples

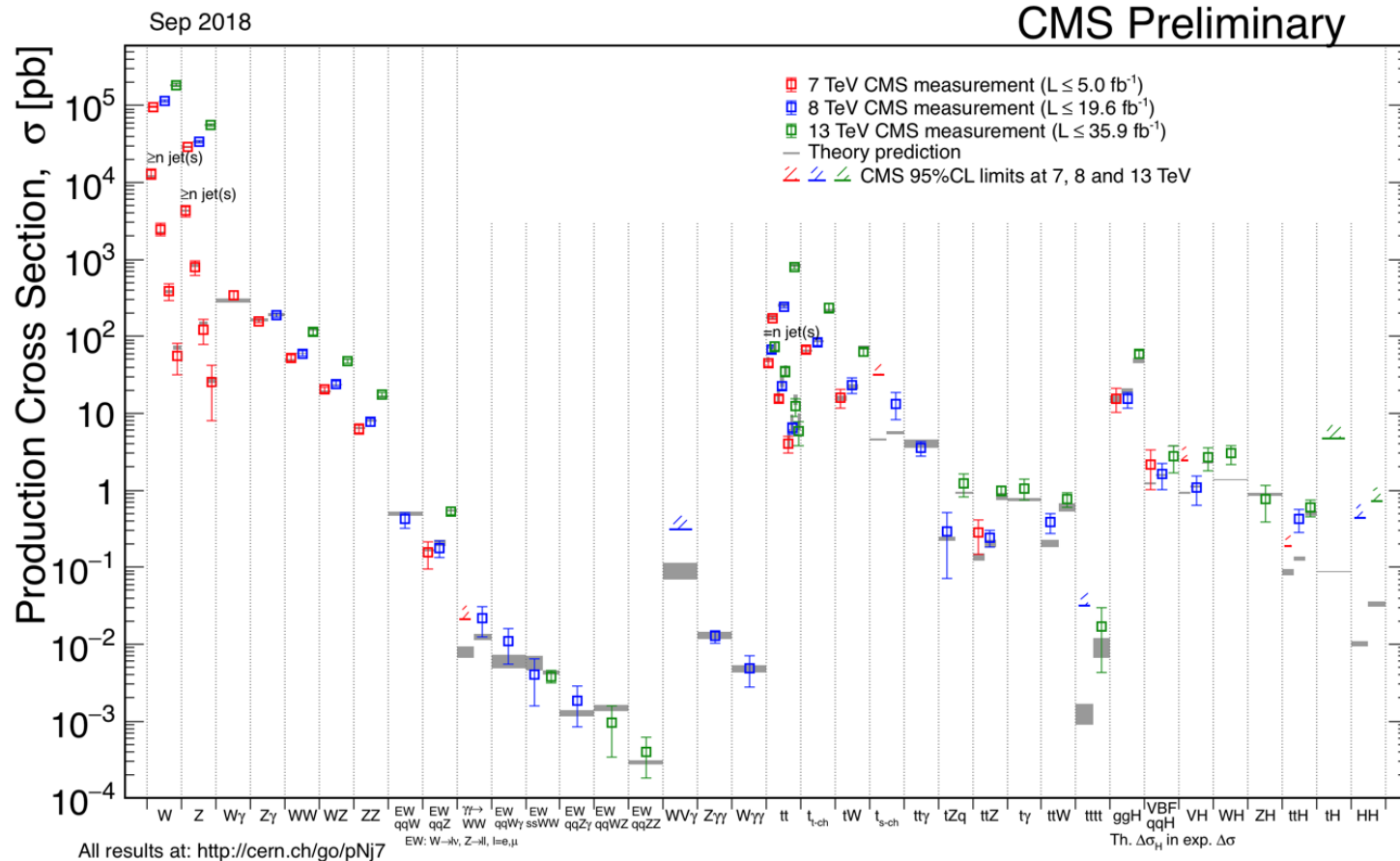
- proportionally to mass
to fermions
- proportionally to mass²
to gauge bosons

Like the SM Higgs does !

Current Situation

7 years after the discovery of the Higgs boson

- No new particles have been found
- Many precision measurements consistent with SM predictions



→ **the Standard Model is complete and very healthy !**

Current situation – open questions

- Is the Standard Model complete ?
we know it cannot be: **gravity, dark matter and dark energy not included !**
- is it **self-consistent**,
i. e. can it be extrapolated to higher energy scales ?
- Is it „**natural**“,
 - Why is the Higgs-boson mass so small ?
 - What is the origin of the mass hierarchy
(meV for neutrinos to $O(100\text{GeV})$ for W, Z, H, and top quark) ?
- What is the **new physics** beyond the SM ?
 - dark matter and dark energy ?
 - sources of CP-violation ?

Current situation of Particle Physics

We need experiments...



... and we have plenty of them at KIT !

Topics of this Lecture

- Units and Conventions
- Detectors and Accelerators
- Standard Model:
gauge Theories and electroweak theory
- Tests of electroweak theory
- Jets and Quantum Chromodynamics
- Top quark Physics
- Higgs Physics
- Flavour physics
- Neutrino Physics
- Physics beyond the Standard Model
- Future experiments

practical exercises:

Detector Simulation with GEANT
Cross section calculation with
madgraph

Hardware Exercises

Analysis project 1:
Top Quark Physics

Analysis project 2:
SuSy search

Note: there are courses „Particle Physics 2“

- W, Z, H
- Flavour Physics
- Jet and Top quark physics
- Detector Physics
- Modern Methods of Data Analysis
- Accelerator Physics

