



Introduction to theoretical foundations V (from experimenter's viewpoint)

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- **Electroweak lagrangian: $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ does not allow for mass terms**
- **Symmetry in lagrangian gets broken through vacuum ground state**
- **Adding complex scalar field / doublet and “Mexican hat” potential**
 - ➔ **symmetry spontaneously broken (Brout-Englert-Higgs mechanism BEH)**
 - ➔ **W and Z bosons dynamically acquire mass terms**
 - ➔ **photon remains massless through Weinberg mixing and gauge fixing**
 - ➔ **4th degree of freedom shows up as new scalar particle: Higgs boson**
- **Mass terms for leptons become possible as well (Yukawa couplings)**

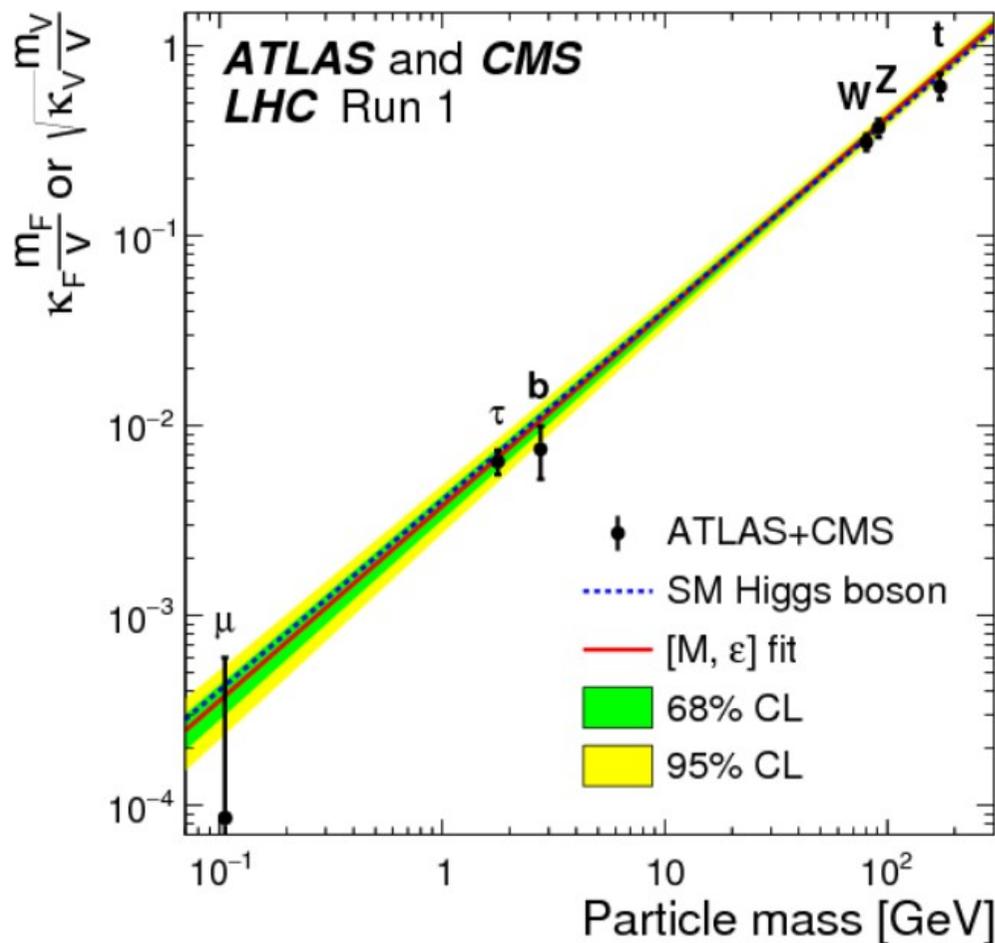
To last week's question:

- **BEH & BCS: No analogue to Cooper pairs ($m = 2 m_e$)**
 - ➔ **massive W, Z ↔ massive photon; massive Higgs ↔ plasmon**
 - ➔ **Fraser, D. & Koberinski, A., “The Higgs mechanism and superconductivity: A case study of formal analogies”, *Studies in History and Philosophy of Modern Physics*, 2016, 55, 72 – 91. Preprint**

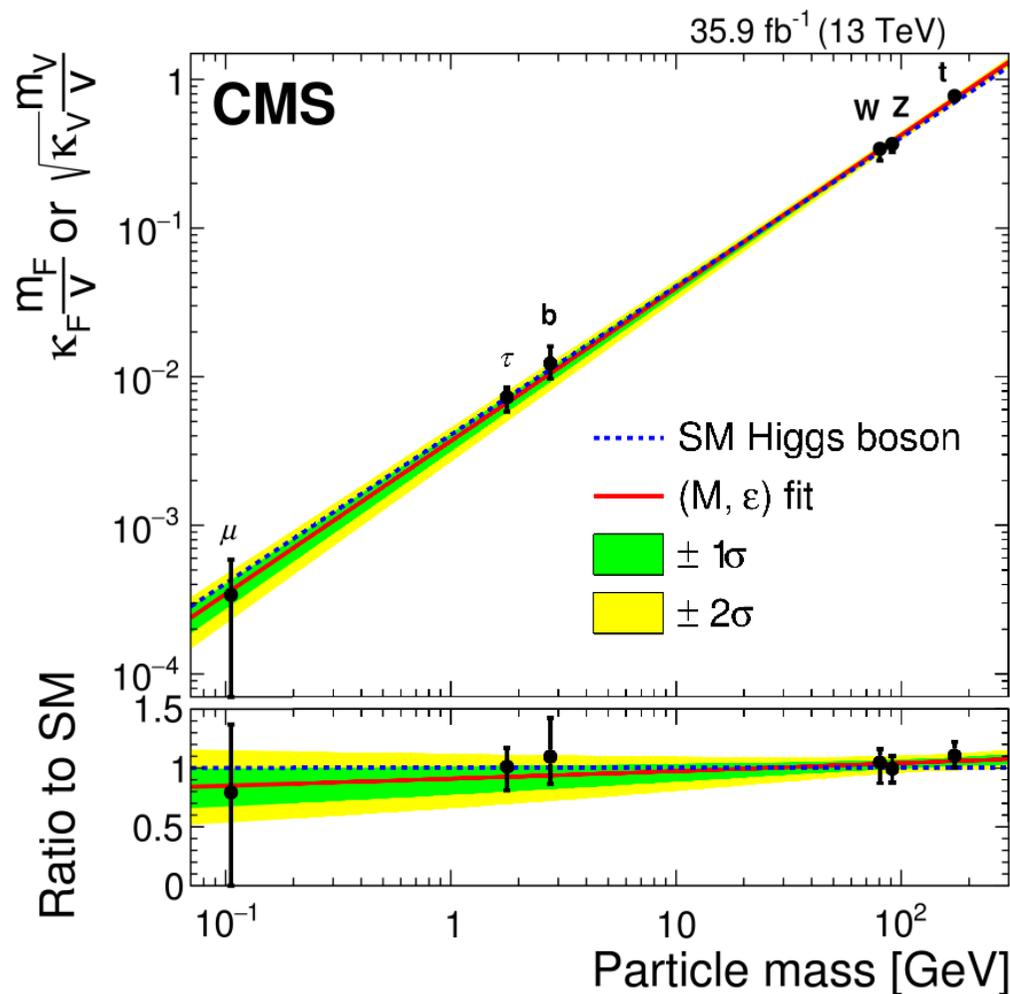


Higgs couplings so far

Run 1, ATLAS & CMS combined
2 x ~ 25/fb, $E_{\text{CMS}} = 7$ and 8 TeV



Run 2 2016, CMS only
1 x ~ 36/fb, $E_{\text{CMS}} = 13$ TeV





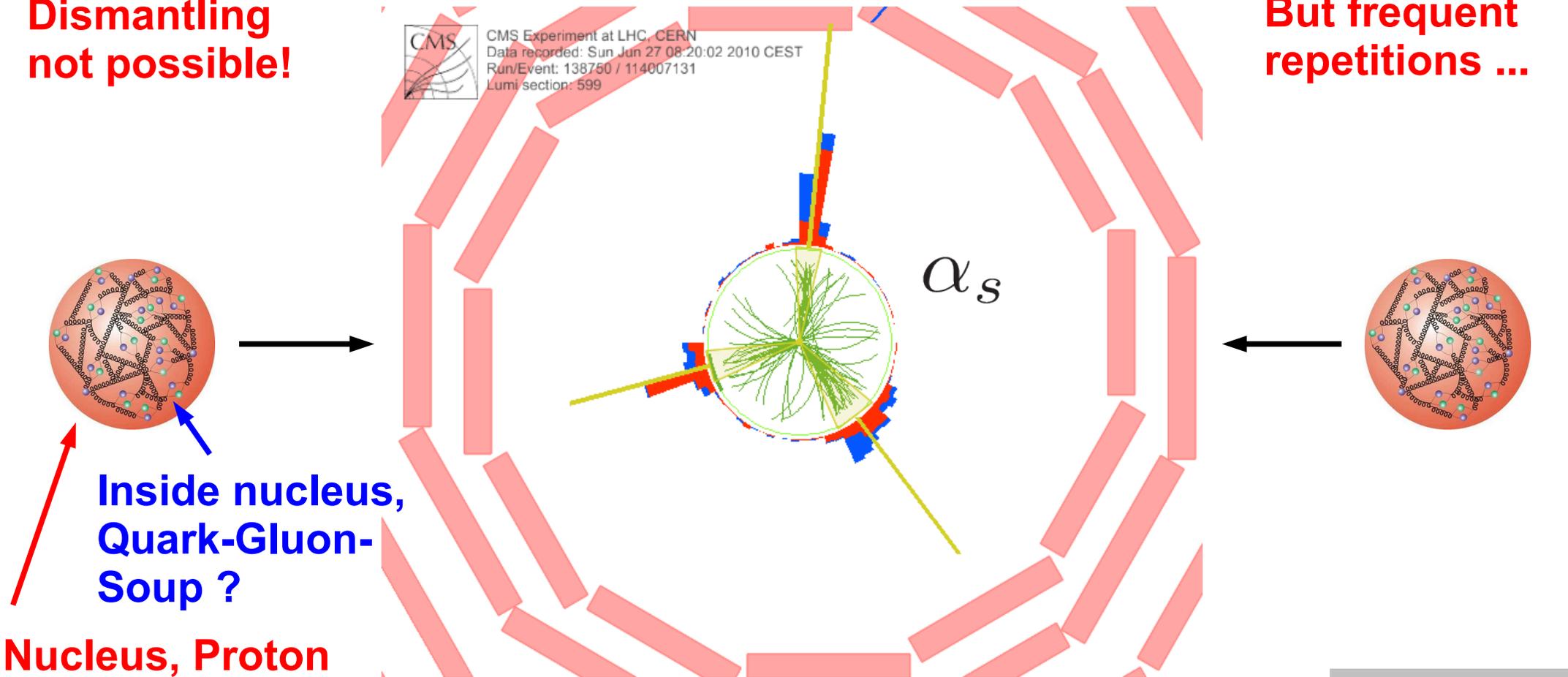
What about hadronic matter?

Understanding of the building blocks of matter and the forces between them

Most successful tool: Investigation of scattering processes!

**Dismantling
not possible!**

**But frequent
repetitions ...**



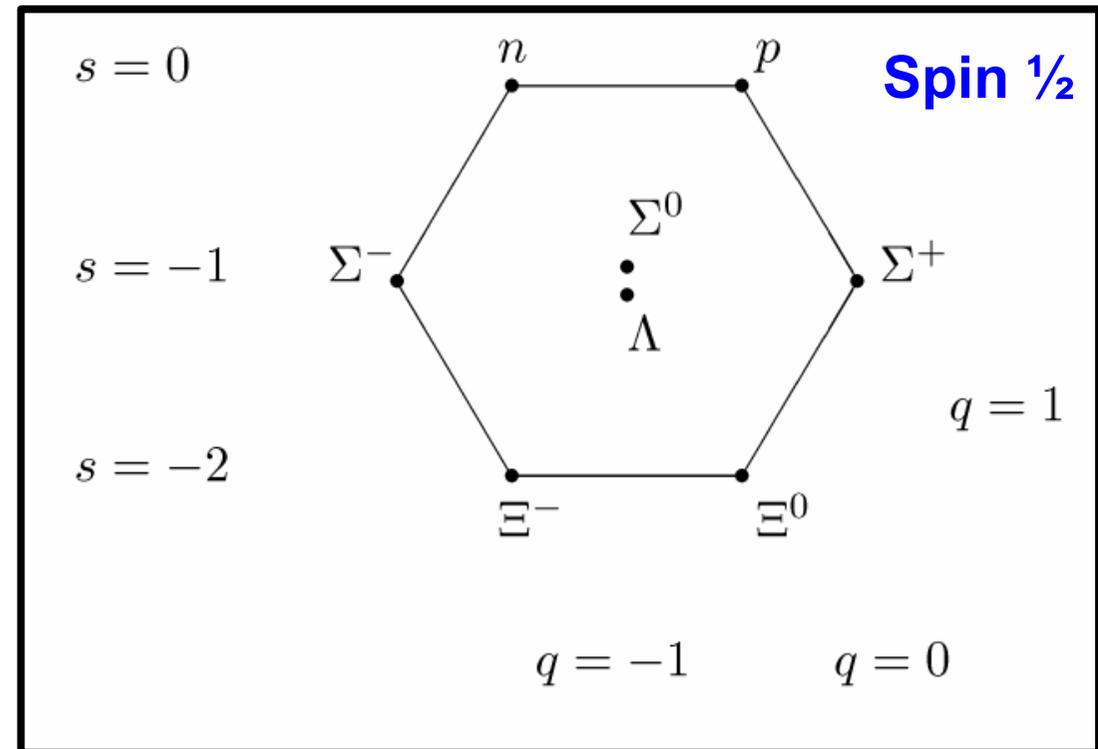
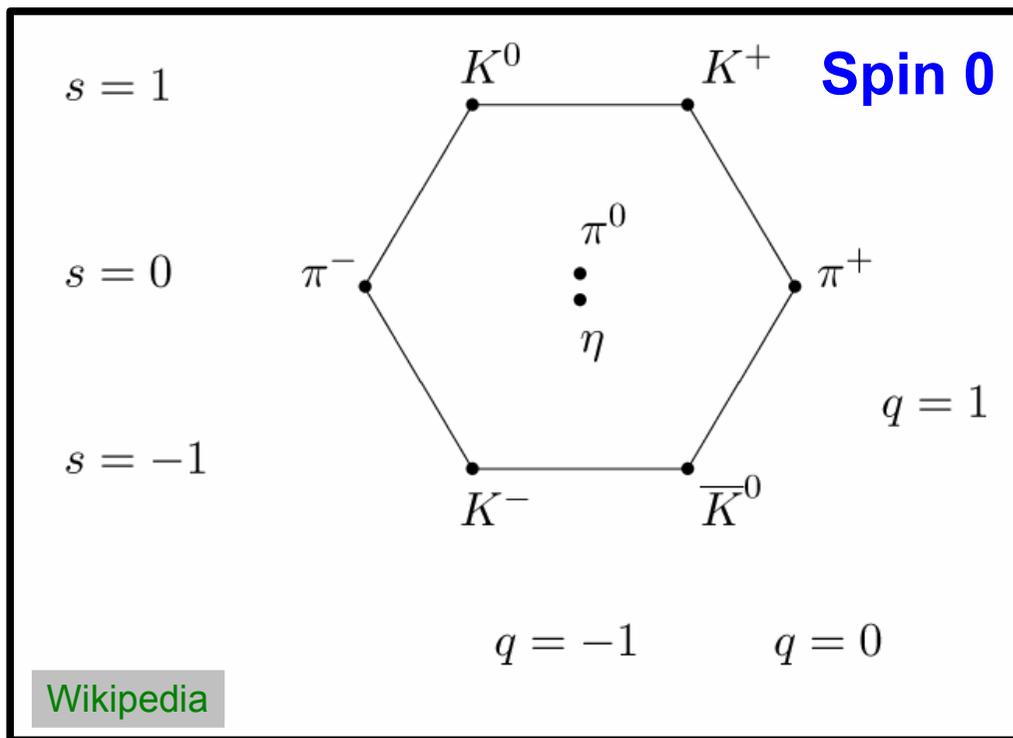
Nobel prize 1969

• Cosmic ray experiments and the development of accelerators lead to the discovery of many new “elementary” particles in the years 1947 – 1970!

➔ **M. Gell-Mann, 1964:** Brings first order into the particle zoo via the Eightfold Way: Ordering of the mesons (left) and baryons (right) in schemes according to charge q and “strangeness” s :



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Quark-Parton-Model

- **M. Gell-Mann:** Composition of mesons out of a quark-antiquark-pair and baryons out of three quarks (named after a citation from J. Joyce “Finnegan's Wake”: “Three quarks for Muster Mark.”)
- **G. Zweig:** Analogous idea, his naming “aces” for the hypothetical constituents did not stick.
 - ➔ Quarks/Aces seen only as hypothetical mathematical constructs; charges coming in thirds like required here were never observed
- **R. Feynman:** Explanation of the measurements of deep-inelastic electron-proton scattering at the SLAC-MIT experiment with point-like scattering centres inside the protons: Partons
 - ➔ Later: Identification of the partons with (anti-)quarks and gluons

Sakurai prize 2015



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Historically interesting:
Abraham Pais, “Inward bound”, Clarendon Press, Oxford 1986.



“lepton”, “baryon”

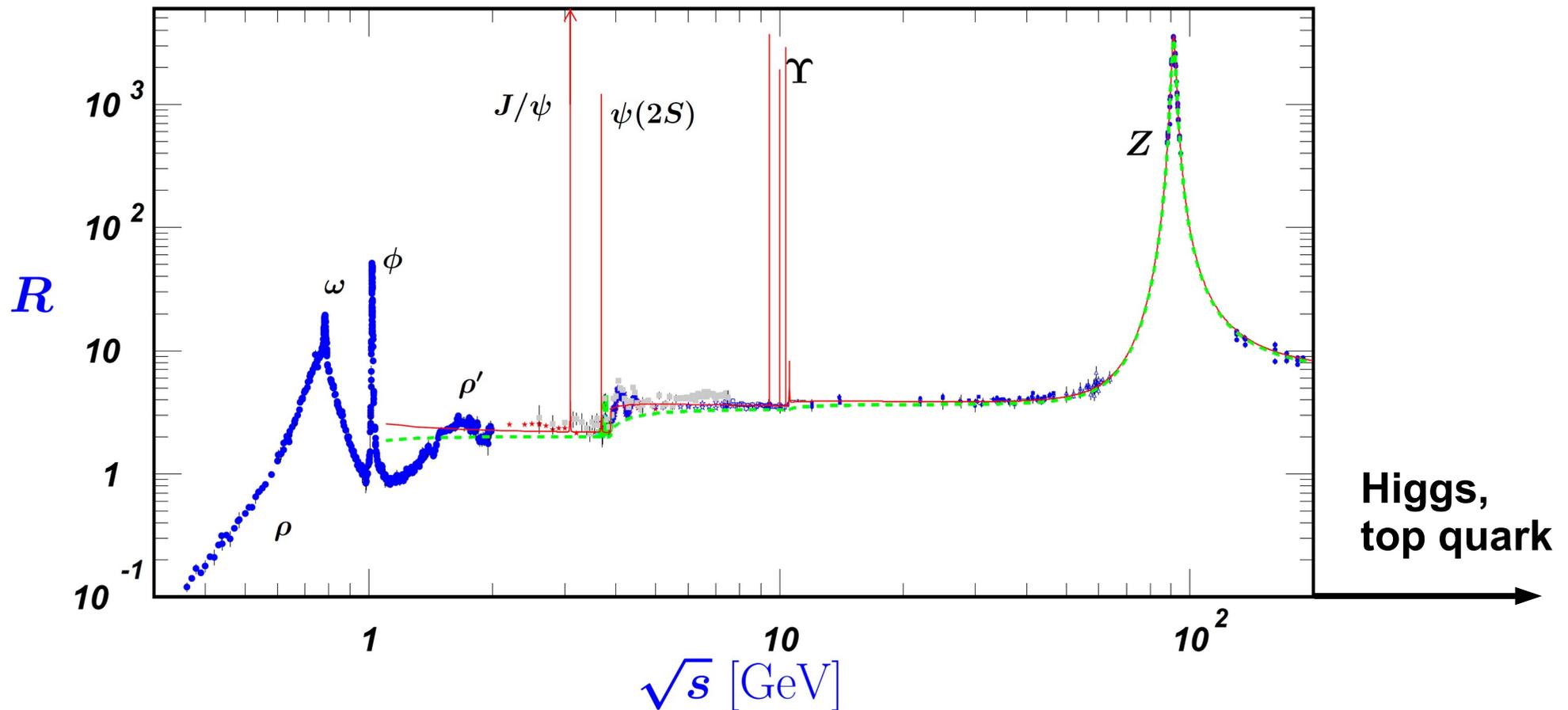
Nobel prize 1965
for QED with
J. Schwinger,
S.-I. Tomonaga



More evidence for “color”

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elektron-positron annihilation

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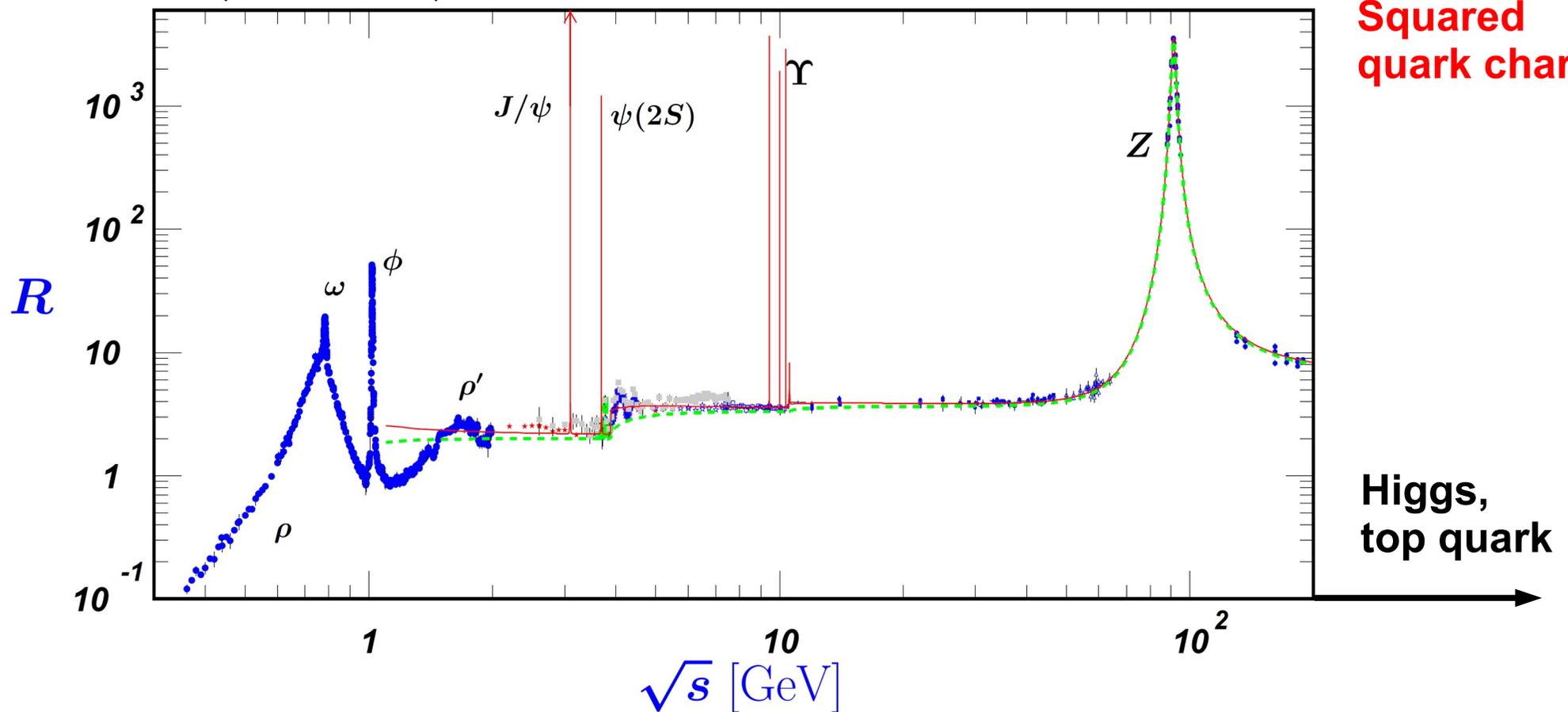
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Squared quark charges



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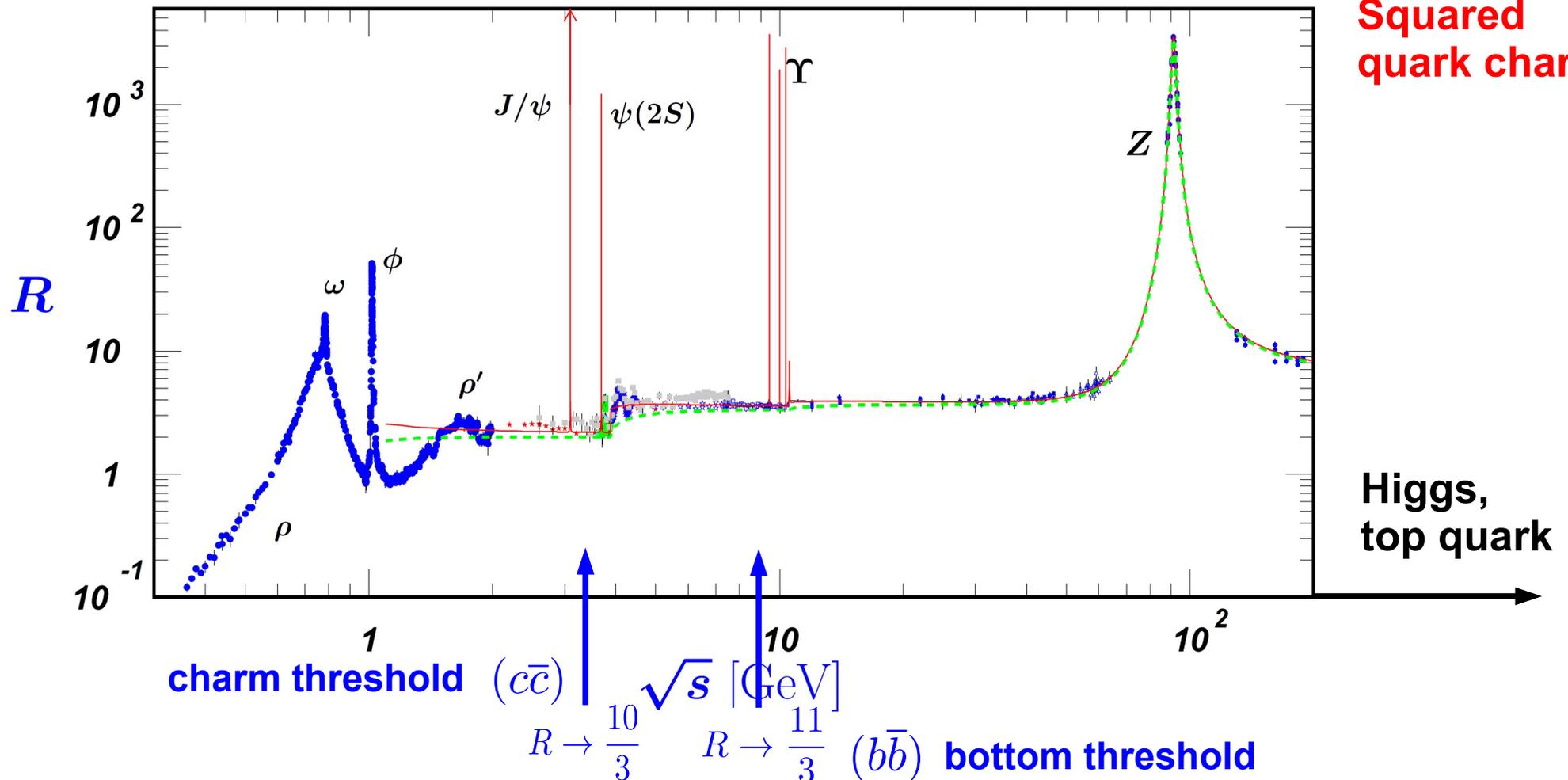
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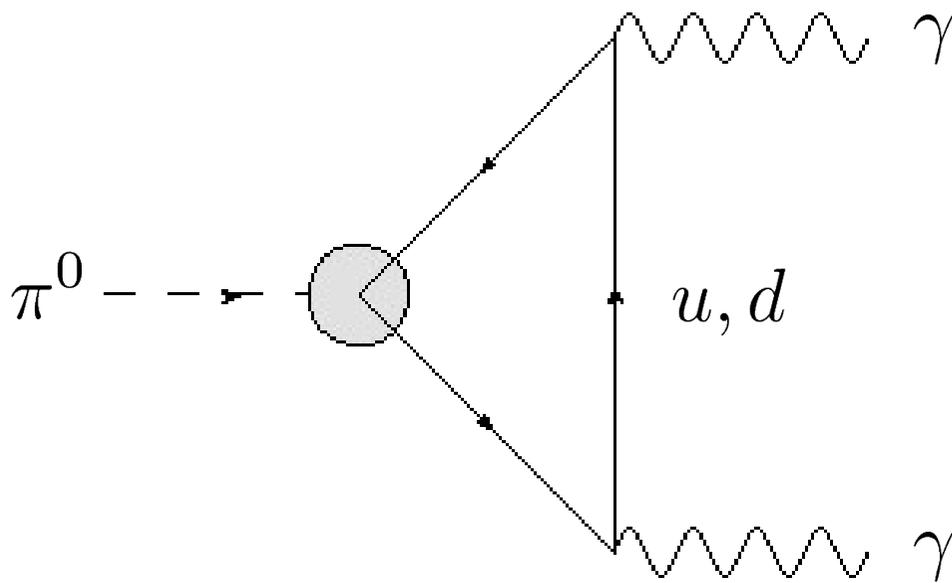
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Pion decay rate into two photons



LO amplitude of the decay

Color factor N_c

$$\Gamma(\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = N_c^2 (Q_u^2 - Q_d^2)^2 \frac{\alpha^2 m_\pi^3}{64\pi^3 f_\pi^2}$$

Squared quark charges

Decay constant
(from charged pions)

Evaluation from independent measurements of other observables:

$$\Gamma(\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = 7.33 \text{ eV} \left(\frac{N_c}{3} \right)^2$$

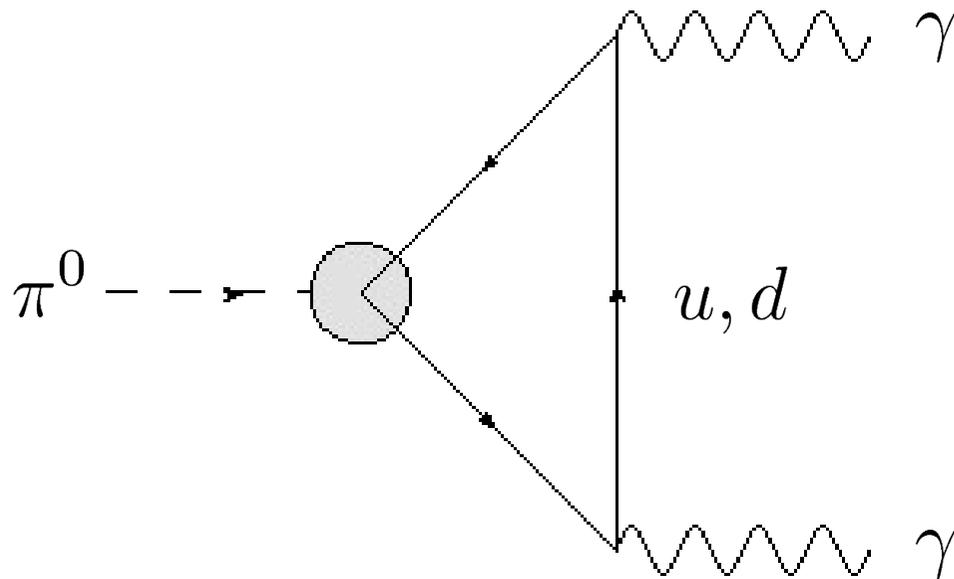
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Attention, not the only choice!
 $N_c = 1, Q_u = 1, Q_d = 0 \dots$

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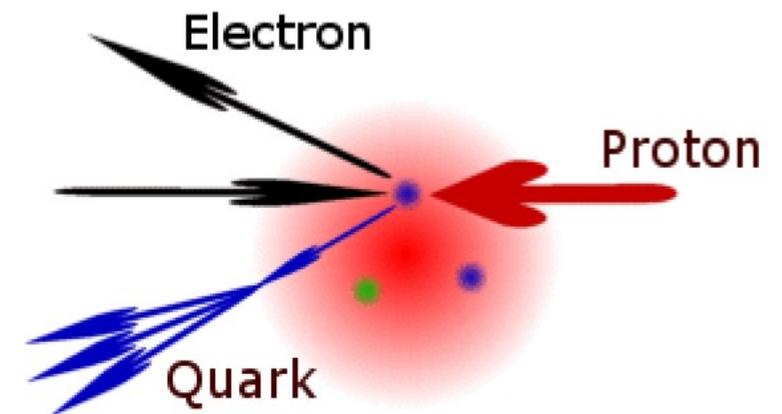
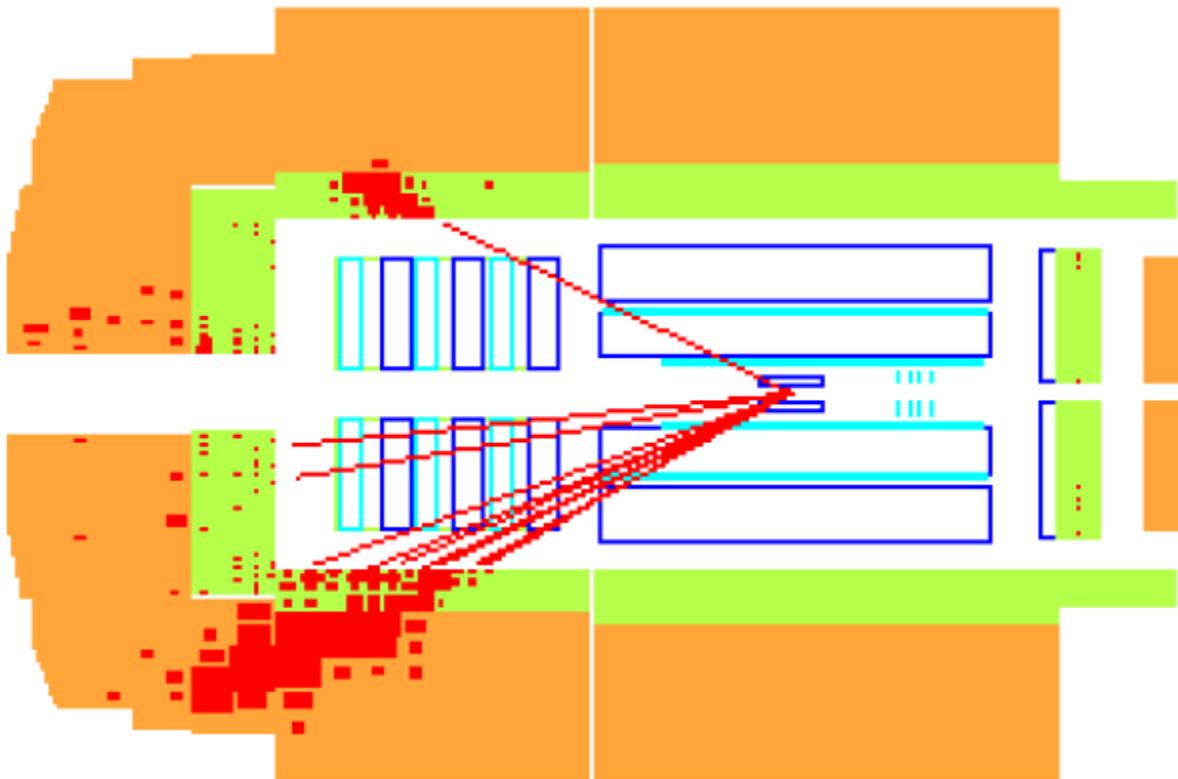
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Electromagnetic reaction:

Backscattering of electron off charged proton constituent

H1 Detector

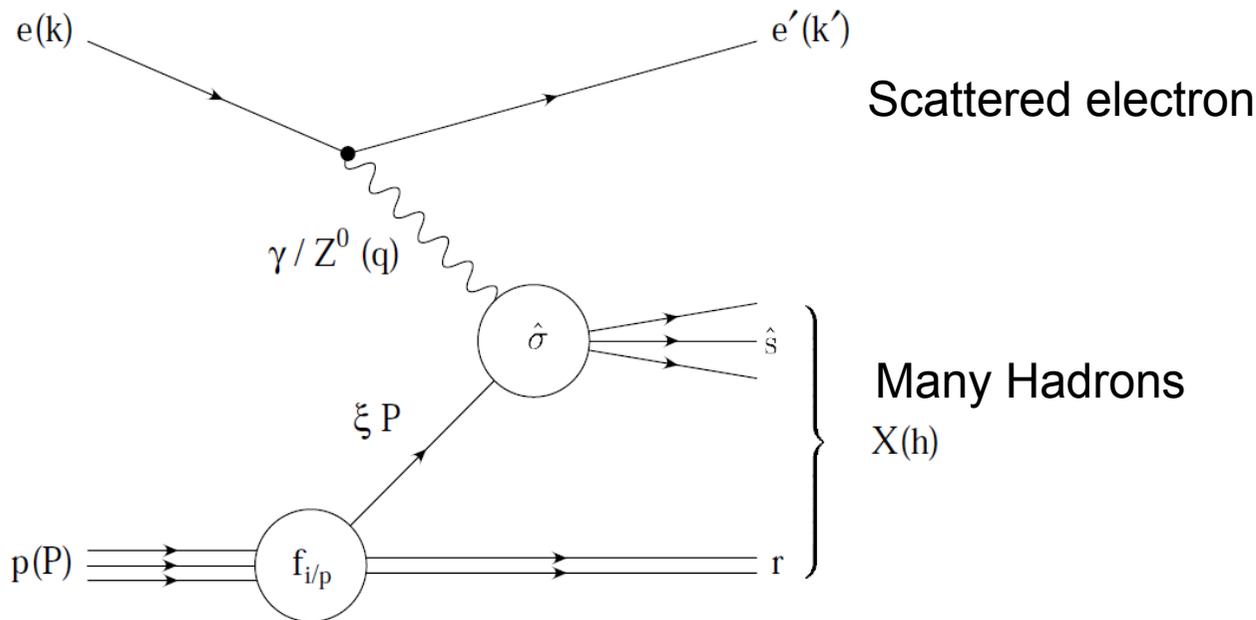


H1 Event Tutorial, J Meyer, DESY (2005)

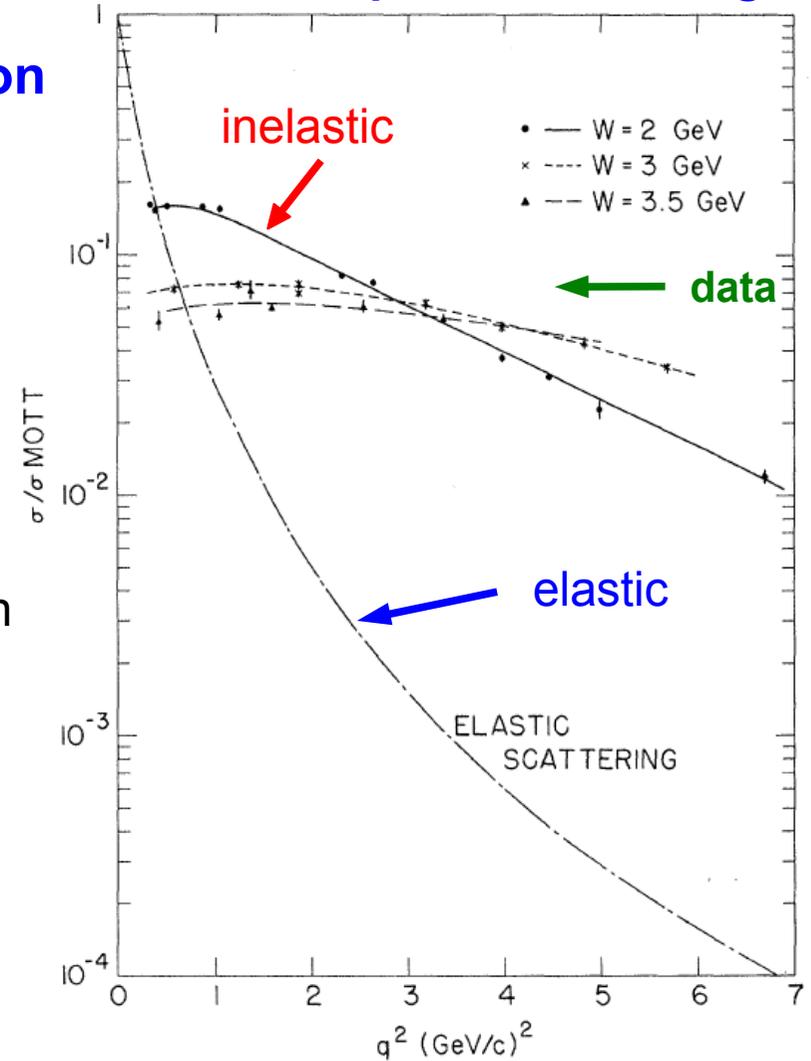


- Inelastic \gg elastic cross section
- Inelastic cross section \sim const. * Mott x section
 - ➔ approximately independent of resolution $\sim q^2$
 - ➔ scale invariant, i.e. no natural length scale
 - ➔ like scattering at point-like objects

Deep-inelastic scattering (DIS)



electron-proton scattering



PRL 23 (1969) 935.



Previously: $U(1)$ and $SU(2)$

- **$U(1) \rightarrow 1$ generator:** $\mathfrak{t} = 1$ $G = e^{i\alpha \cdot 1}$
→ equivalent to rotations in 2-dim.,
i.e. the orthogonal group $O(2)$
- ➔ **Commutator:** $0 \rightarrow$ Abelian

- **$SU(2) \rightarrow 3$ generators:** $\mathfrak{t}_a = \frac{1}{2}\sigma_a$ ($a = 1, 2, 3$)

Pauli matrices σ_a

$$\sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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- ➔ **Commutator:** $[\mathfrak{t}_a, \mathfrak{t}_b] = i\epsilon_{abc}\mathfrak{t}_c$
→ Non-Abelian

- ➔ **With structure constants of $SU(2)$:** ϵ_{abc} Levi-Civita tensor



Now: SU(3)

- **SU(3) → 8 generators:** $\tau_A = \frac{1}{2}\lambda_A$ ($A = 1, \dots, 8$)

Gell-Mann matrices λ_A

$$\lambda_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_6 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_7 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_8 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

➔ **Commutator:** $[\tau_A, \tau_B] = if_{ABC}\tau_C$ → Non-Abelian

➔ **With structure constants SU(3):** $f_{123} = 1$

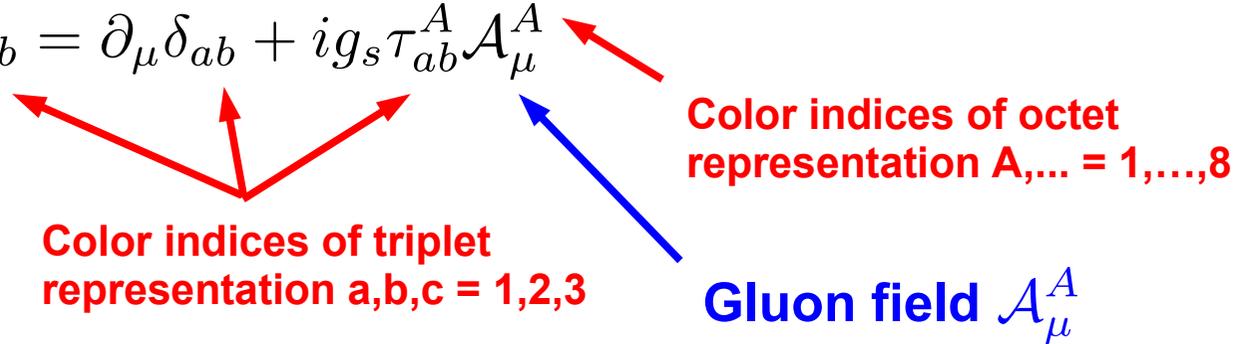
Not showing index permutations!

$$f_{147} = -f_{156} = f_{246} = f_{257} = f_{345} = -f_{367} = \frac{1}{2} \quad f_{458} = f_{678} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$



QCD Lagrangian

Covariant derivative: $(D_\mu)_{ab} = \partial_\mu \delta_{ab} + ig_s \tau_{ab}^A \mathcal{A}_\mu^A$



Field strength tensors:

$$\mathcal{G}_{\mu\nu}^A = \partial_\mu \mathcal{A}_\nu^A - \partial_\nu \mathcal{A}_\mu^A - \boxed{g_s f^{ABC} \mathcal{A}_\mu^B \mathcal{A}_\nu^C}$$

→ leads to triple (TGC) and quartic (QGC) gauge couplings

Lagrangian of $SU(3)_c$:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \sum_q \bar{\psi}_a (i\gamma^\mu (D_\mu)_{ab} - m_q) \psi_b - \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{G}_{\mu\nu}^A \mathcal{G}_A^{\mu\nu}$$

Not showing gauge fixing or ghost terms ...

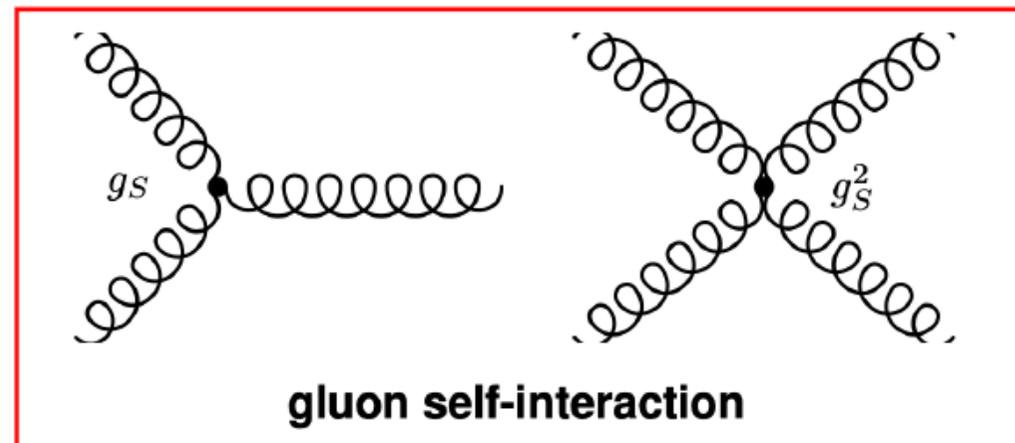
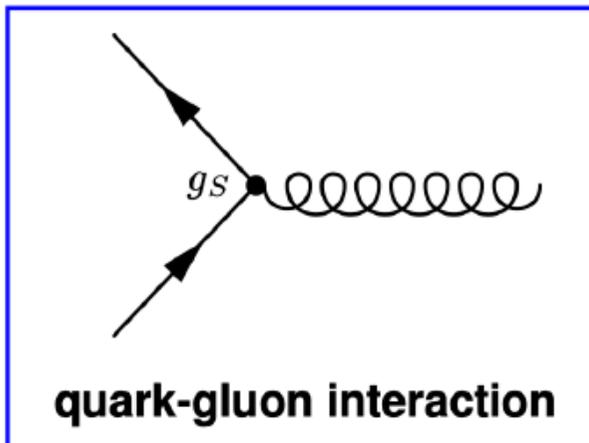
The gluon remains massless → $SU(3)_c$ exact symmetry of nature!

Invariance under local $SU(3)_c$ transformations

- Three color charges $a = 1, 2, 3 \rightarrow$ **Red, Green, Blue** (as analogue to electric charge in QED)
- Eight vector fields (gluons) A_μ^A carry color charge and color anti-charge
- The gluons are massless
 - \rightarrow exact symmetry
 - \rightarrow in principal infinite range of strong force

$$\mathcal{G}_{\mu\nu}^A = \partial_\mu A_\nu^A - \partial_\nu A_\mu^A - \boxed{g_s f^{ABC} A_\mu^B A_\nu^C}$$

- Non-zero commutator leads to gluon self-interactions via triple and quartic gauge couplings





- Extension of the gauge principle to **non-Abelian groups**
 - Standard Model: in particular SU(2) and SU(3)
- SU(n) transformations $\psi \rightarrow \exp[i\frac{1}{2}g\beta^a(x)\tau^a]\psi$
 - $n^2 - 1$ **generators** τ^a
 - Non-Abelian algebra $[\tau^a, \tau^b] = if^{abc}\tau^c$ with **structure constants** f^{abc}
- Analogue to QED: **invariance under local SU(n) transformations by introducing covariant derivative and field-strength tensor**

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu + ig\tau^a A_\mu^a$$

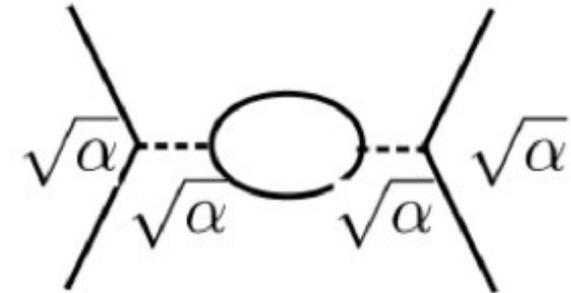
with

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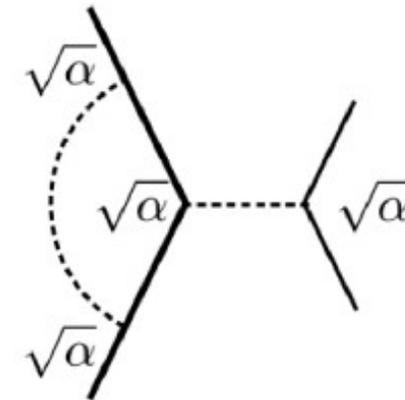
$$[D_\mu, D_\nu]^a = igF_{\mu\nu}^a, \quad F_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a + gf^{abc}A_\mu^b A_\nu^c$$

- **Non-zero structure constants lead to gauge boson self-interaction**
- NB: above relations also hold for U(1)

- Dynamics of a theory not entirely described by Lagrange density
 - Fields are quantised: **effects due to quantum corrections** occur
 - Taken into account in perturbation series
- ‘Good’ quantum-field theories, like the Standard Model, are
 - **Anomaly free**: symmetries of the Lagrangian not destroyed by quantum corrections
 - **Renormalizable**: divergencies in quantum corrections absorbed in redefined parameters of the Lagrangian



Modifies effective particle masses (‘running masses’)



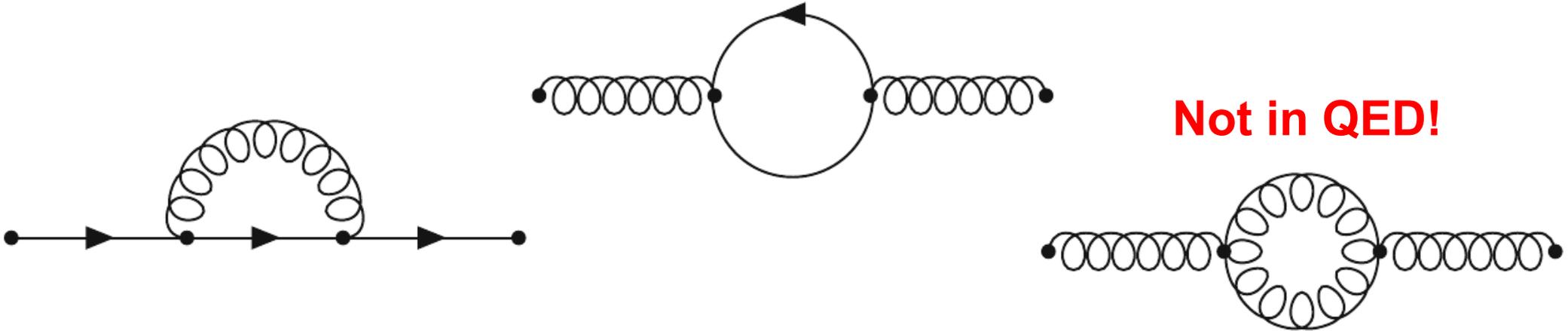
Modifies effective couplings (‘running couplings’)

Veltman, ‘t Hooft: Nobel prize 1999

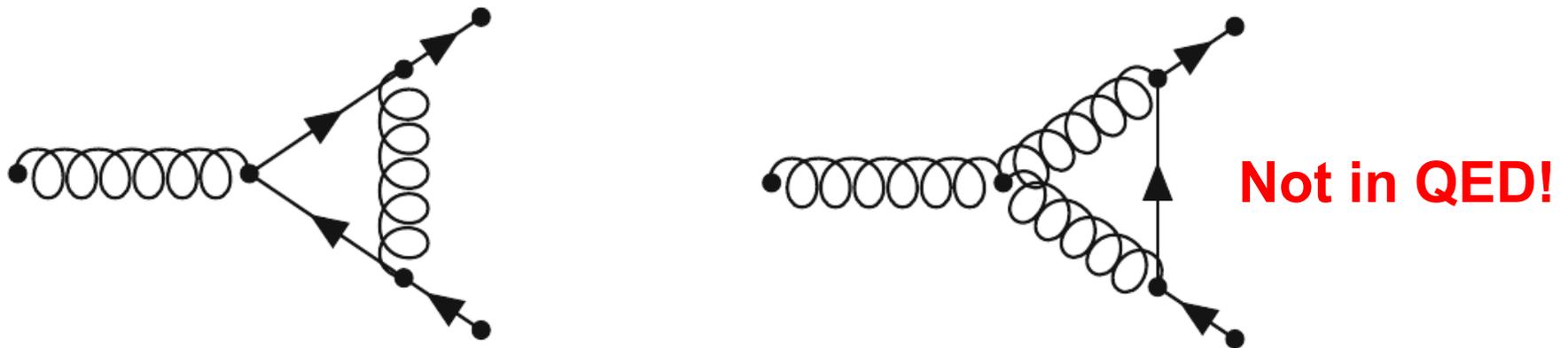


Quantum corrections

- Quark (left) and gluon (middle & right) self-energy corrections:



- Quark-gluon vertex corrections:





- In (renormalisable) QFT the beta function encodes the dependence of the coupling parameter g on the energy (or distance) scale μ :

$$\alpha_i := \frac{g_i^2}{4\pi}$$

$$\beta(g) = \frac{\partial g}{\partial \log(\mu^2)}$$

- **Beta function of QED (1-loop):** $\beta(\alpha) = \frac{1}{3\pi} \alpha^2$

- ➔ The coupling increases with energy scale
- ➔ The coupling decreases with larger distances
 - ➔ Infinite range, Coulomb potential: $V(r) \propto \frac{1}{r}$

- **Beta function of QCD (1-loop):** $\beta(\alpha_s) = - \left(\frac{11N_C - 2N_f}{12\pi} \right) \alpha_s^2$

- ➔ The coupling decreases with energy scale, if $N_C = 3, N_f \leq 16$
 - ➔ **Asymptotic freedom**
- ➔ The coupling increases with larger distances
 - ➔ **Confinement**, string potential: $V(r) \approx \sigma \cdot r$ with tension $\sigma \approx 1 \text{ GeV/fm}$

Nobel prize 2004

Theory:

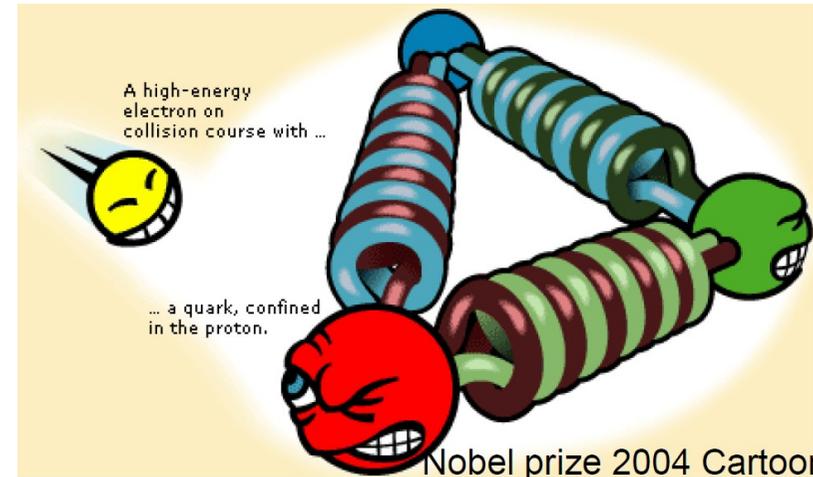
- ➔ Renormalisation group equation (RGE)
- ➔ Solution of 1-loop equation
- ➔ **Running coupling constant**

$$\alpha_s(Q^2) = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{1 + \alpha_s(\mu^2)\beta_0 \ln\left(\frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}\right)}$$

$$\alpha_s(Q^2) = \frac{1}{\beta_0 \ln\left(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2}\right)}$$

What happens at large distances?

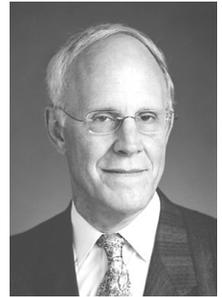
- ➔ $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$?
- ➔ **Cannot be answered here!**
For $Q^2 \rightarrow \Lambda^2$ perturbation theory not applicable anymore!



- ➔ **'Strong' coupling weak for $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$, i.e. small distances**
- ➔ **Asymptotic freedom**
- ➔ **Perturbative methods usable**

$$\beta_0 = \frac{33 - 2 \cdot N_f}{12\pi}$$

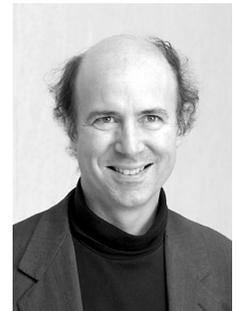
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$$\alpha_s(Q^2) = \frac{1}{\beta_0 \ln\left(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda^2}\right)}$$

with Λ typically $\approx 200 - 300$ MeV

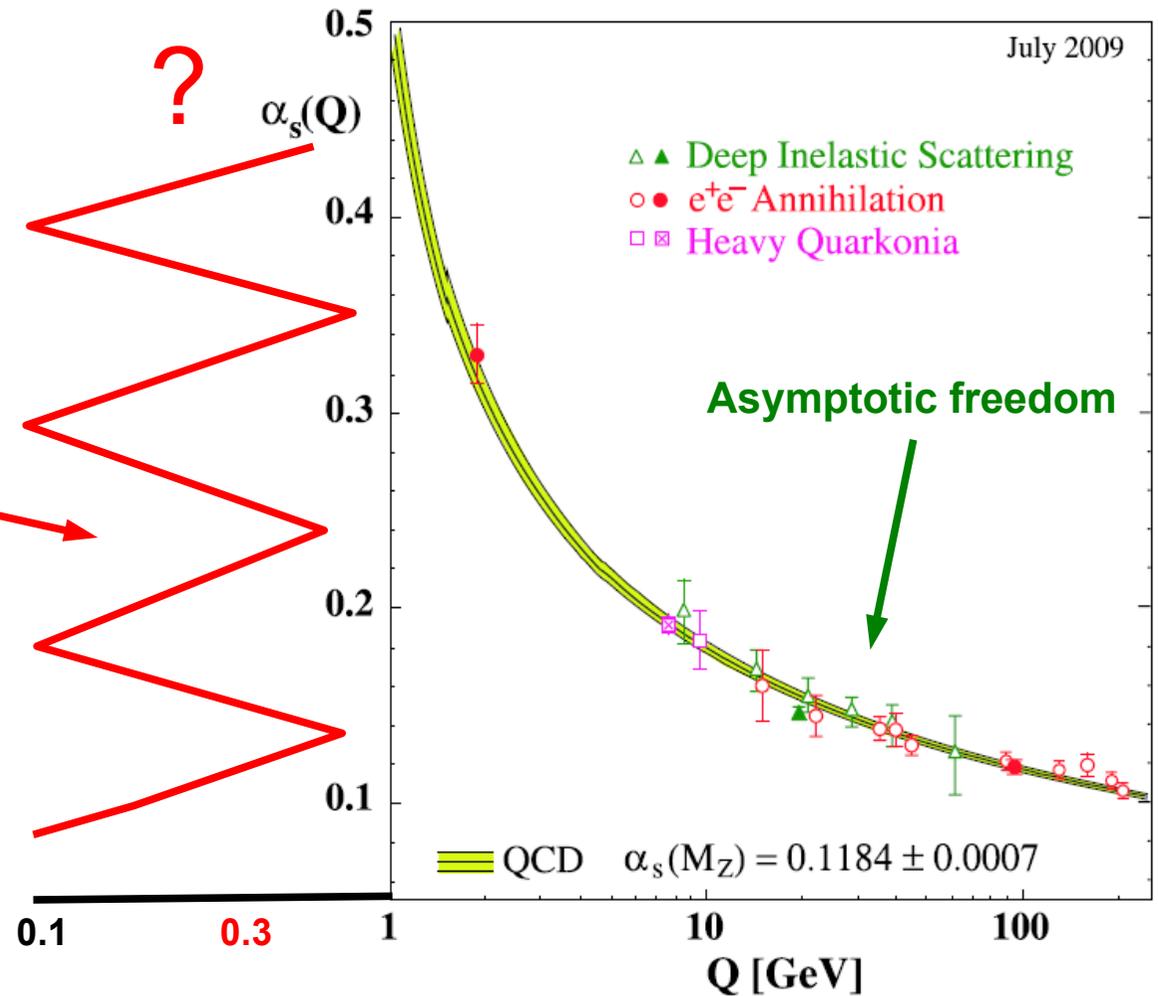
Non-perturbative regime

QCD potential grows linearly
with larger distances:

$$V = \sigma \cdot r \approx 1 \text{ GeV/fm} \cdot r$$

→ No free quarks (or gluons)

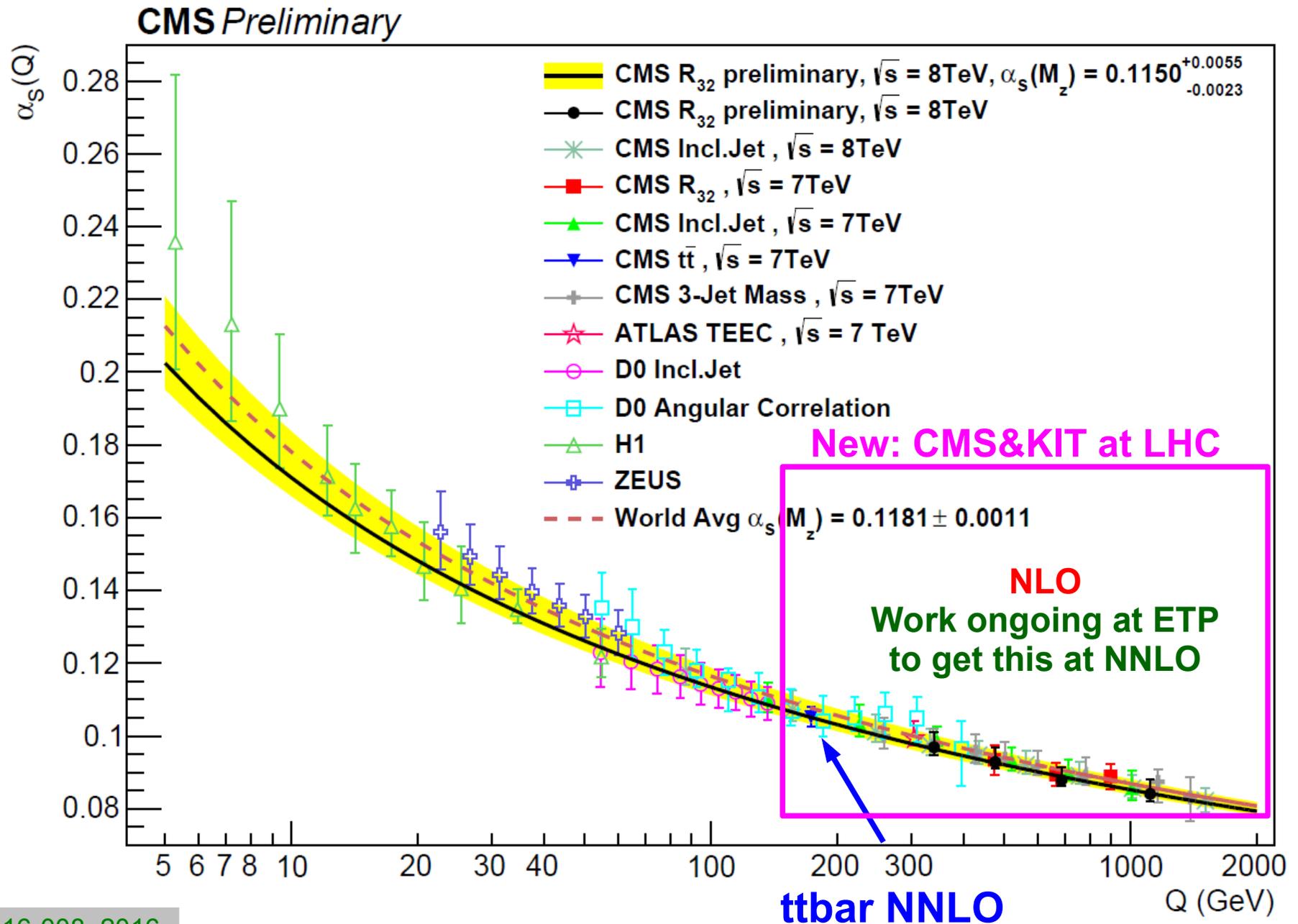
→ Confinement



S. Bethke, EPJC 64 (2009).



Running coupling from CMS

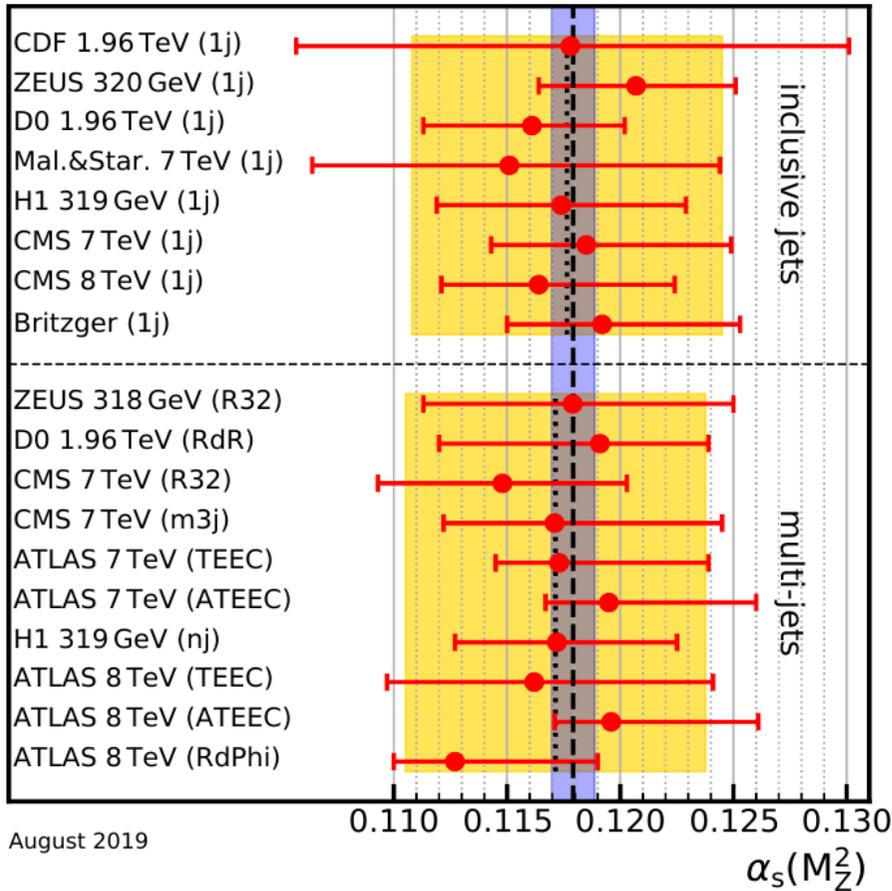


CMS, SMP-16-008, 2016.



Running coupling from PDG

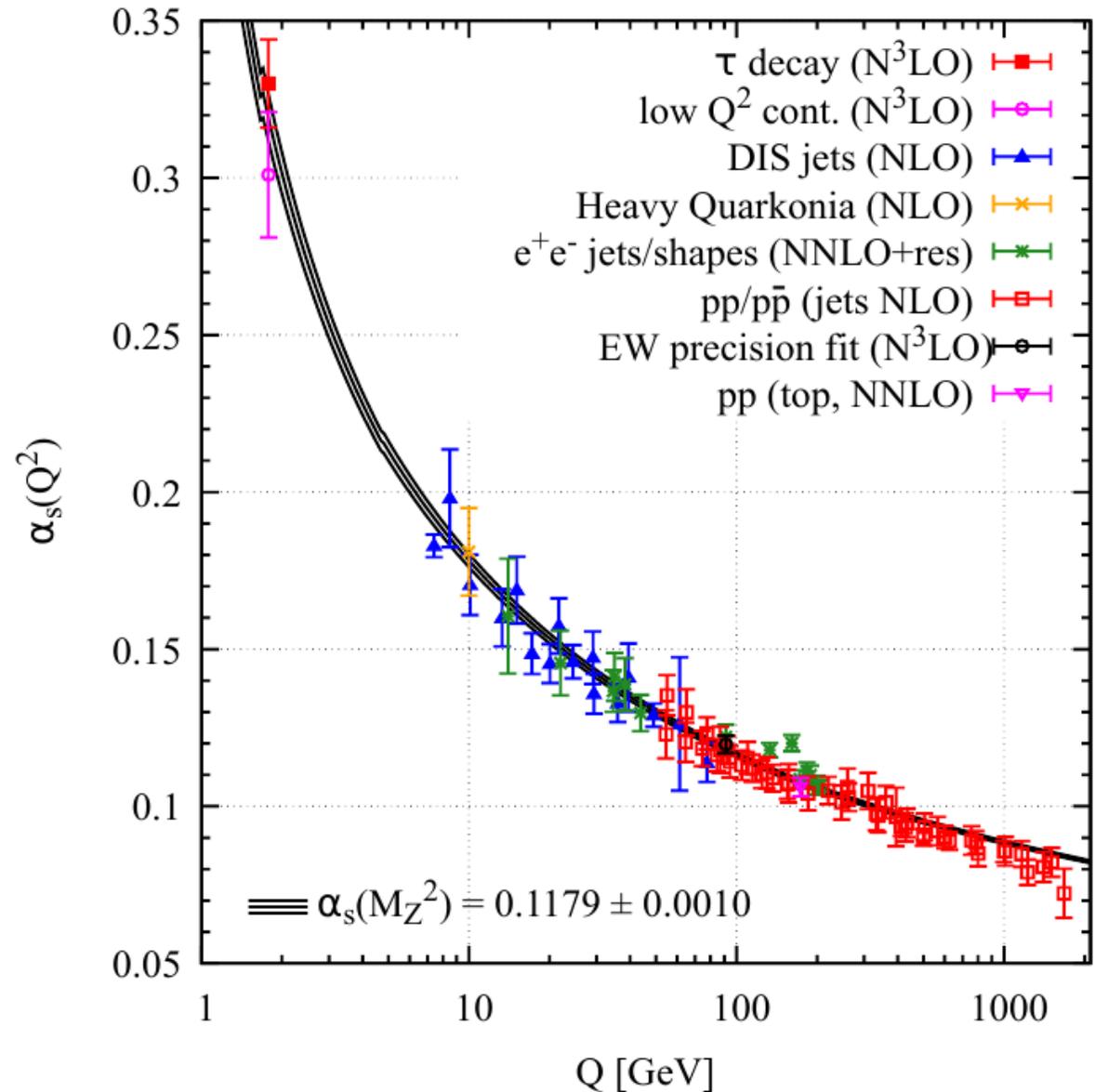
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Not yet in world average – need NNLO

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1179 \pm 0.0010$$

Most precise “single” result from lattice gauge theory.





- Strongly interacting particles (“hadrons”) are composite objects.
- The pattern of hadrons is best described by introducing a new three-valued quantum number: “color”
- The constituents carrying color charges are named “quarks”.
- Originally, two types of quarks, “up” and “down” with electrical charges $+2/3$ and $-1/3$ (never observed in nature freely ...)
- Complemented with further quark types: strange, charm, bottom, top
- Hadrons come in two types:
 - ➔ Mesons are made of one quark and one anti-quark
 - ➔ (Anti-)Baryons are made of three (anti-)quarks
- Strong interactions are derived from local gauge invariance of color SU(3)
- Eight massless, self-interacting gluons are the carriers of the strong force
- In contrast to QED, quantum corrections lead to color forces decreasing with energy (**asymptotic freedom**) and increasing with distance (**confinement**)