

Outline

Essential elements of field theory

- General framework.
- Global and local symmetries.
- From classical to quantum field theory.

The Standard Model (SM)

- Building the SM Lagrangian: first principles and phenomenological evidence.
- Testing the SM consistency.

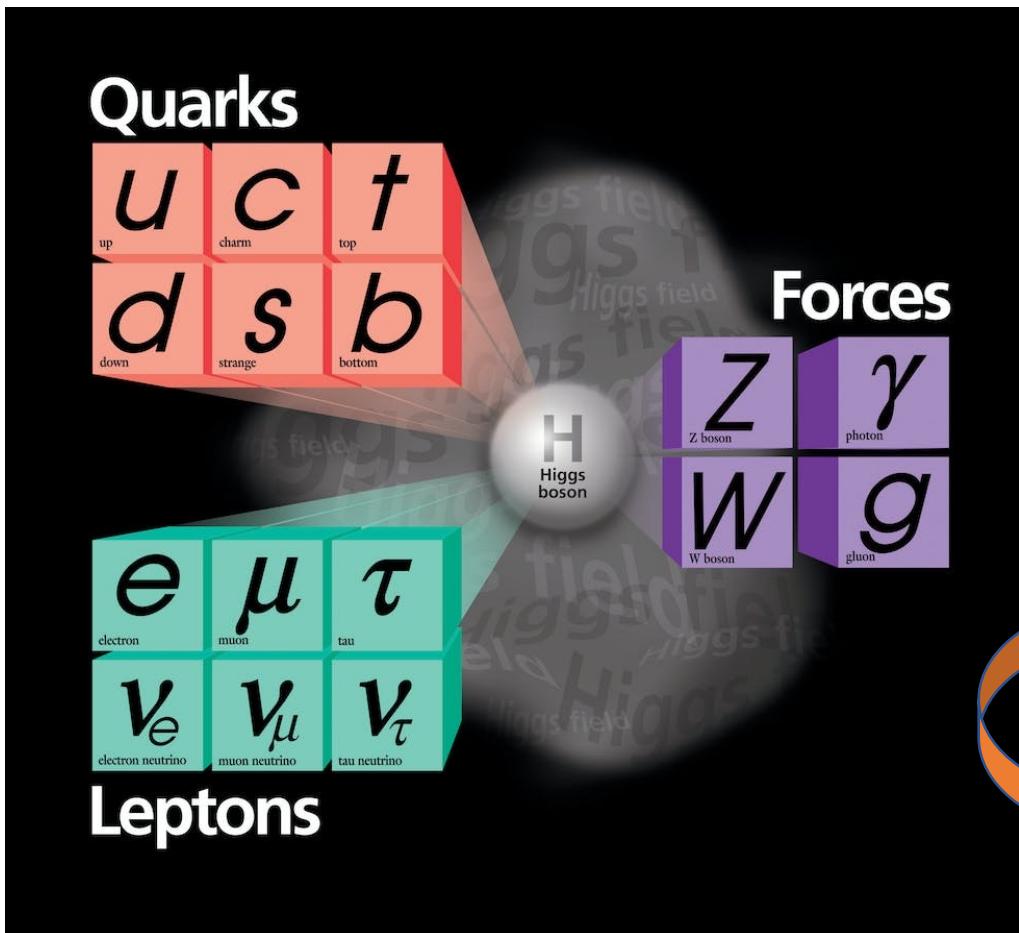
The Standard Model in the LHC era

- Strengths and weaknesses.
- Probing SM predictions at the LHC.

The Standard Model

- Building the SM Lagrangian: first principles and phenomenological evidence
 - Steps towards the SM Lagrangian
 - Main building blocks
 - Main phenomenological consequences
- Testing the SM consistency
 - Global fit of precision observables
 - Constraining new physics
- SM limits and problematics aspects
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The Standard Model of particle physics: the artist rendering



Let's build it step by step!

A very minimal quantum field theory describing strong, weak, and electromagnetic interactions, based on a local (gauge) symmetry

$$SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow SU(3)_C \times U(1)_Q$$

Strong interactions: gluons $\rightarrow m_g = 0$

Electromagnetic interactions: photon $\rightarrow m_\gamma = 0$

Weak interactions: W^\pm and $Z \rightarrow M_W, M_Z \neq 0$

Due to the presence of a scalar field whose potential spontaneously breaks the gauge symmetry of weak interactions and gives origin to massive gauge bosons (W,Z)

The Higgs boson (H) is the physical particle associated with such field

Building the Standard Model Lagrangian

- Steps towards the SM Lagrangian.
- Main building blocks.
- Main phenomenological consequences.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} = & -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \\ & + i \bar{\psi} \not{D} \psi + h.c. \\ & + \bar{\chi}_i Y_{ij} \chi_j \phi + h.c. \\ & + |\partial_\mu \phi|^2 - V(\phi)\end{aligned}$$

Towards the SM of particle physics

Translating experimental evidence of particle interactions into the right gauge symmetry group: one of the most fascinating story in particle physics

- **Electromagnetic interactions** → **Quantum Electrodynamics (QED) – $U(1)_{QED}$**
 - Plenty of **phenomenological evidence** to go beyond E&M and classical FT **very early on**: **Lamb shift** in atomic levels, anomalous magnetic moment of the electron (g_e), ...
 - The **true testing ground of QFT ideas**, paved by phenomenological success.
 - Remarkably tested to this days at lepton and hadron colliders.
 - Still, not everything can be explained by an **exact abelian gauge theory!**
- **Strong interactions** → **Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD) - $SU(3)_C$**
 - Evidence for **strong force** in *hadronic interactions*.
 - Gell-Mann-Nishijima **quark model** interprets hadron spectroscopy.
 - Need for **3-fold quantum number** (color) \leftrightarrow hadron spectroscopy, $e^+e^- \rightarrow$ hadrons.
 - DIS experiments → confirm **parton model** based on $SU(3)_C$.
 - **Exact non abelian gauge theory** explains **confinement vs asymptotic freedom**.
 - Much more (the whole physics program of **hadron colliders!**)

□ Weak interactions – quite puzzling ...

- *Discovered in neutron β -decay:* $n \rightarrow p + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$.
- **New force:** small rates/long lifetimes.
- **Universal:** same strength in both hadronic and leptonic decays:
 - $n \rightarrow p e^- \bar{\nu}_e, \mu^- \rightarrow e^- \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\mu, \pi^- \rightarrow \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu, \dots$
- **Violate parity (P).**
- **Charged currents only left-handed.**
- **Neutral currents not of electromagnetic origin.**
- First description by **Fermi Theory** as a four-fermion interaction

$$\mathcal{L}_F = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} (\bar{p} \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) n) (\bar{e} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) \nu_e)$$

- Easily accommodate a **massive intermediate vector boson**

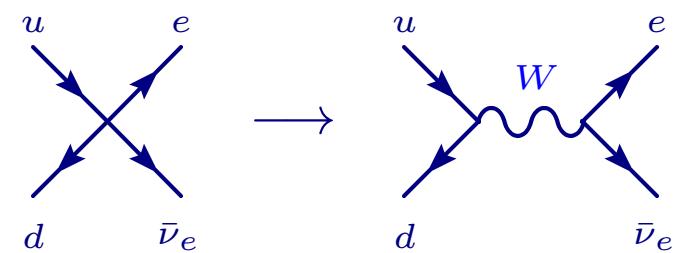
$$\mathcal{L}_{IVB} = \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} W_\mu^+ J_\mu^- + \text{h.c.}$$

$$J_\mu^- = \bar{u} \gamma_\mu \frac{1 - \gamma_5}{2} d + \bar{\nu}_e \gamma^\mu \frac{1 - \gamma_5}{2} e$$

$G_F \rightarrow$ Fermi constant

$$[G_F] = [m]^{-2}$$

(in units of $c = \hbar = 1$)



$$\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{g_W^2}{8M_W^2} \quad q^2 \ll M_W^2$$

➤ New force with massive mediators → SSB gauge symmetry

- 3 gauge bosons (2 charged+1 neutral), chiral interactions → $SU(2)_L$
- Cannot be the whole story otherwise they would have the same mass upon SSB (but $M_W \neq M_Z$)
- Only possibility, without extending to a gauge group that would have many more gauge bosons is

$$SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \xrightarrow{SSB} U(1)_Q$$

$Y \rightarrow$ hypercharge,
 $Y = Q - T_3$
 $Q \rightarrow$ charge (QED)
 $T_3 \rightarrow SU(2)$ generator

□ Strong, electromagnetic, and weak interactions → $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$

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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EW}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{EW}}^{\text{ferm}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{EW}}^{\text{gauge}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{EW}}^{\text{SSB}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{EW}}^{\text{Yukawa}}$$

Strong interactions: Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)

See lectures by A. Huss

Exact $SU(3)$ Yang-Mills theory - $SU(3)_C$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \sum_i \bar{Q}_i (i \not{D} - m_i) Q_i - \frac{1}{4} F^{a,\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}^a$$

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu + ig_s A_\mu^a T^a$$

$$F_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a + g_s f^{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c$$

➤ $Q_i \rightarrow (i = 1, \dots, 6 \rightarrow u, d, s, c, b, t)$ fundamental representation of $SU(3)_C$ (dim=3) → quark triplets

$$Q_i = \begin{pmatrix} Q_i \\ Q_i \\ Q_i \end{pmatrix}$$

- $A_\mu^a \rightarrow$ adjoint representation of $SU(3)_C$ (dim = $N^2 - 1, N = 3$) → 8 massless gluons (gauge fields)
- $T^a \rightarrow$ $SU(3)_C$ generators (Gell-Mann matrices)
- $g_s \rightarrow$ strong coupling constant – gauge coupling of QCD ($\alpha_s = g_s^2/(4\pi)^2$)
- All other fermion fields are $SU(3)_C$ singlets

Electromagnetic and weak interactions: unified into the Glashow-Weinberg-Salam theory

Spontaneously broken Yang-Mills theory based on $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$

□ $SU(2)_L \rightarrow$ weak isospin group, gauge coupling g

- 3 generators $T^a = \sigma^a/2$ (σ^a Pauli matrices, $a = 1, 2, 3$)
- 3 gauge bosons: $W_1^\mu, W_2^\mu, W_3^\mu$
- $\psi_L = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \gamma_5)\psi$ fields are doublets of $SU(2)$
- $\psi_R = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \gamma_5)\psi$ fields are singlets of $SU(2)$



$\bar{\psi}_L \psi_R + \bar{\psi}_R \psi_L$ mass terms are
forbidden since not gauge invariant

□ $U(1)_Y \rightarrow$ weak hypercharge group ($Y = Q - T_3$), gauge coupling g'

- 1 generator \rightarrow each field has a Y quantum number (charge)
- 1 gauge boson: B^μ

Three generations (*families*) of fermion fields – Summary of quantum numbers

| | <u>$SU(3)_C$</u> | <u>$SU(2)_L$</u> | <u>$U(1)_Y$</u> | <u>$U(1)_Q$</u> |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| $Q_L^i = \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} c_L \\ s_L \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} t_L \\ b_L \end{pmatrix}$ | 3 | 2 | $\frac{1}{6}$ | $\frac{2}{3}$ $-\frac{1}{3}$ |
| $u_R^i = u_R \quad c_R \quad t_R$ | 3 | 1 | $\frac{2}{3}$ | $\frac{2}{3}$ |
| $d_R^i = d_R \quad s_R \quad b_R$ | 3 | 1 | $-\frac{1}{3}$ | $-\frac{1}{3}$ |
| $L_L^i = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{eL} \\ e_L \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{\mu L} \\ \mu_L \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{\tau L} \\ \tau_L \end{pmatrix}$ | 1 | 2 | $-\frac{1}{2}$ | 0 -1 |
| $e_R^i = e_R \quad \mu_R \quad \tau_R$ | 1 | 1 | -1 | -1 |
| $\nu_R^i = \nu_{eR} \quad \nu_{\mu R} \quad \nu_{\tau R}$ | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

Last line (right-handed neutrinos) is not part of the SM. Why? More to come ...
 Interesting to notice that ν_R^i has zero charge under the entire SM group!

1- Lagrangian of the fermion fields

For each generation (here specialized to the first generation)

$$\mathcal{L}_{EW}^{\text{ferm}} = \bar{L}_L(iD) L_L + \bar{e}_R(iD) e_R + \bar{Q}_L(iD) Q_L + \bar{u}_R(iD) u_R + \bar{d}_R(iD) d_R$$

With covariant derivative

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu - igW_\mu^a T^a - ig' \frac{1}{2} Y B_\mu$$

acting on the left/right fields as

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\mu,L} &= \partial_\mu - \frac{ig}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & W_\mu^+ \\ W_\mu^- & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{i}{2} \begin{pmatrix} gW_\mu^3 - g'YB_\mu & 0 \\ 0 & -gW_\mu^3 - g'YB_\mu \end{pmatrix} \\ D_{\mu,R} &= \partial_\mu + ig' \frac{1}{2} Y B_\mu \end{aligned}$$

where W_μ^\pm are defined as:

$$W_\mu^\pm = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (W_\mu^1 \mp iW_\mu^2)$$

Separating kinetic and interaction (current) terms, $\mathcal{L}_{EW}^{\text{ferm}}$ can be written as

$$\mathcal{L}_{EW}^{\text{ferm}} = \mathcal{L}_{kin}^{\text{ferm}} + \mathcal{L}_{CC} + \mathcal{L}_{NC}$$

where

$$\mathcal{L}_{kin}^{\text{ferm}} = \bar{L}_L(i\cancel{\partial})L_L + \bar{e}_R(i\cancel{\partial})e_R + \dots$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{CC} = \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} W_\mu^+ \bar{\nu}_{eL} \gamma^\mu e_L + W_\mu^- \bar{e}_L \gamma^\mu \nu_{eL} + \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{NC} = & \frac{g}{2} W_\mu^3 [\bar{\nu}_{eL} \gamma^\mu \nu_{eL} - \bar{e}_L \gamma^\mu e_L] + \frac{g'}{2} B_\mu [Y(L)(\bar{\nu}_{eL} \gamma^\mu \nu_{eL} + \bar{e}_L \gamma^\mu e_L) \\ & + Y(e_R) \bar{\nu}_{eR} \gamma^\mu \nu_{eR} + Y(e_R) \bar{e}_R \gamma^\mu e_R] + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$W_\mu^\pm \rightarrow$ mediators of charged currents

$W_\mu^3, B_\mu \rightarrow$ mediators of neutral currents



However, neither W_3^μ nor B_μ can be identified with the photon field (A_μ) because they couple to neutral fermions

Rotate W_μ^3 and B_μ introducing a **weak mixing angle** θ_W (a.k.a. **Weinberg angle**)

$$W_\mu^3 = \sin \theta_W A_\mu + \cos \theta_W Z_\mu$$

$$B_\mu = \cos \theta_W A_\mu - \sin \theta_W Z_\mu$$

Such that the kinetic term is still diagonal and the neutral current Lagrangian becomes ($\psi = \nu_{eL}, e_L, e_R$)

$$\mathcal{L}_{NC} = \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \left(g \sin \theta_W T^3 + g' \cos \theta_W \frac{Y}{2} \right) \psi A_\mu + \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \left(g \cos \theta_W T^3 - g' \sin \theta_W \frac{Y}{2} \right) \psi Z_\mu$$

$$eQ = g \sin \theta_W T^3 + g' \cos \theta_W \frac{Y}{2}$$

Q identified as the e.m. charge

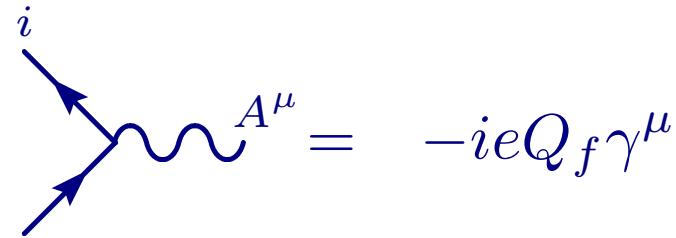
Applying Q to any fermion field gives

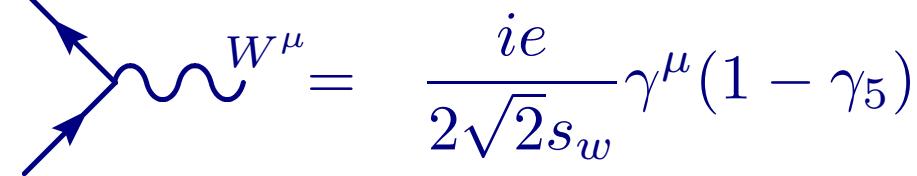
$$g \sin \theta_W = g' \cos \theta_W = e$$

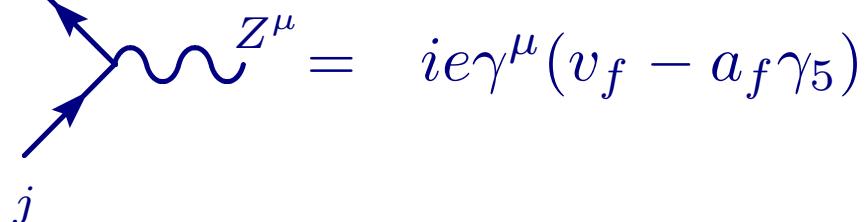
Notice:

- Charged and neutral current **violate P** (couple differently to L- and R-handed fields)
- Neutral currents are **universal** (same for all fermion generations) \leftrightarrow $SU(2)$ gauge symmetry
- **No tree-level flavor-changing neutral currents (across generations)**

Feynman rules: obtained from tree-level 2- and 3-point correlation functions


$$A^\mu = -ieQ_f \gamma^\mu$$


$$W^\mu = \frac{ie}{2\sqrt{2}s_w} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5)$$


$$Z^\mu = ie\gamma^\mu (v_f - a_f \gamma_5)$$

You can calculate them!

$$v_f = -\frac{s_w}{c_w} Q_f + \frac{T_f^3}{2s_w c_w} \quad (\text{Vector coupling})$$

$$a_f = \frac{T_f^3}{2s_w c_w} \quad (\text{Axial vector coupling})$$

2 - Lagrangian of the gauge fields

The $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ gauge-field Lagrangian is initially written as:

$$\mathcal{L}_{EW}^{\text{gauge}} = -\frac{1}{4}W_{\mu\nu}^a W^{a,\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4}B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} B_{\mu\nu} & = & \partial_\mu B_\nu - \partial_\nu B_\mu \\ W_{\mu\nu}^a & = & \partial_\mu W_\nu^a - \partial_\nu W_\mu^a + g\epsilon^{abc}W_\mu^b W_\nu^c \end{array} \right.$$

and then expressed in terms of the physical charged- and neutral-current mediators (W_μ^\pm, Z_μ, A_μ) obtaining:

$$\mathcal{L}_{EW}^{\text{gauge}} = \mathcal{L}_{kin}^{\text{gauge}} + \mathcal{L}_{EW}^{3V} + \mathcal{L}_{EW}^{4V}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{kin}^{\text{gauge}} &= -\frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu W_\nu^+ - \partial_\nu W_\mu^+)(\partial^\mu W^{-\nu} - \partial^\nu W^{-\mu}) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{4}(\partial_\mu Z_\nu - \partial_\nu Z_\mu)(\partial^\mu Z^\nu - \partial^\nu Z^\mu) - \frac{1}{4}(\partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu)(\partial^\mu A^\nu - \partial^\nu A^\mu) \\ \mathcal{L}_{EW}^{3V} &= (3\text{-gauge-boson vertices involving } ZW^+W^- \text{ and } AW^+W^-) \\ \mathcal{L}_{EW}^{4V} &= (4\text{-gauge-boson vertices involving } ZZW^+W^-, AAW^+W^-, \\ &\quad AZW^+W^-, \text{ and } W^+W^-W^+W^-) \end{aligned}$$

Feynman rules: obtained from tree-level 2-, 3-, and 4-point correlation

In a particular gauge choice
(more details discussed later)

$$\mu \overset{k}{\sim} \nu = \frac{-i}{k^2 - M_V^2} \left(g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{k_\mu k_\nu}{M_V^2} \right)$$

$$W_\mu^+ \sim V_\rho = ieC_V [g_{\mu\nu}(k_+ - k_-)_\rho + g_{\nu\rho}(k_- - k_V)_\mu + g_{\rho\mu}(k_V - k_+)_\nu]$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} C_\gamma = 1 \\ C_Z = -\frac{c_W}{s_W} \end{array} \right.$$

$$W_\mu^+ \sim V_\rho \quad W_\nu^- \sim V'_\sigma = ie^2 C_{VV'} (2g_{\mu\nu}g_{\rho\sigma} - g_{\mu\rho}g_{\nu\sigma} - g_{\mu\sigma}g_{\nu\rho})$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} C_{\gamma\gamma} = -1 & C_{\gamma Z} = \frac{c_W}{s_W} \\ C_{ZZ} = -\frac{c_W^2}{s_W^2} & C_{WW} = \frac{1}{s_W^2} \end{array} \right.$$

3 - Lagrangian of the scalar field

See Lecture 1

The SSB of the EW SM gauge symmetry $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow U(1)_Q$

Introduce one complex scalar doublet of $SU(2)_L$ with $Y = 1/2$:

$$\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix} \longleftrightarrow \mathcal{L}_{EW}^{SSB} = (D^\mu \phi)^\dagger D_\mu \phi - \mu^2 \phi^\dagger \phi - \lambda (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2$$

where: $D_\mu \phi = (\partial_\mu - igW_\mu^a T^a - ig'Y_\phi B_\mu)$ ($T^a = \sigma^a/2$, $a = 1, 2, 3$)

The EW SM gauge symmetry is realized as a spontaneously broken symmetry by choosing a particular vacuum expectation value (vev) of the field ϕ that minimizes the scalar potential, e.g.

$$\langle \phi \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with} \quad v = \left(\frac{-\mu^2}{\lambda} \right)^{1/2} \quad (\mu^2 < 0, \lambda > 0)$$

Notice: all $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ generators are broken for this choice of vacuum configuration, but $Q = T^3 + Y$ is not

The weak gauge boson mass terms arise from

$$\begin{aligned}
 (D^\mu \phi)^\dagger D_\mu \phi &\longrightarrow \cdots + \frac{1}{8} (0 \ v) (g W_\mu^a \sigma^a + g' B_\mu) (g W^{b\mu} \sigma^b + g' B^\mu) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix} + \cdots \\
 &\longrightarrow \cdots + \frac{1}{2} \frac{v^2}{4} [g^2 (W_\mu^1)^2 + g^2 (W_\mu^2)^2 + (-g W_\mu^3 + g' B_\mu)^2] + \cdots
 \end{aligned}$$

where we can read that

$$\begin{cases} W_\mu^\pm = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (W_\mu^1 \mp i W_\mu^2) \longrightarrow M_W = g \frac{v}{2} \\ Z_\mu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}} (g W_\mu^3 - g' B_\mu) \longrightarrow M_Z = \sqrt{g^2 + g'^2} \frac{v}{2} \end{cases}$$

Notice: M_W and M_Z are function of gauge couplings (g, g') and $v = \sqrt{\mu^2/\lambda}$, as expected for a SSB theory



$$\cos \theta_W = \frac{g}{\sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}} , \quad \sin \theta_W = \frac{g'}{\sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}} \longrightarrow \frac{M_W}{M_Z} = \cos \theta_W$$

while the linear combination orthogonal to Z_μ remains **massless** and corresponds to the **photon field**

$$A_\mu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}} (g' W_\mu^3 + g B_\mu) \longrightarrow M_A = 0$$

To identify the physical scalar field of the SM, work in unitary gauge

$$\phi(x) = \frac{e^{\frac{i}{v}\vec{\chi}(x)\cdot\vec{\tau}}}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + H(x) \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{SU(2)} \phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + H(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

such that the Lagrangian only depends on the field H (the $\chi_a(x)$ degrees of freedom having been *traded* for the longitudinal component of the massive gauge bosons)

$$\mathcal{L} = \mu^2 H^2 - \lambda v H^3 - \frac{1}{4} H^4 = -\frac{1}{2} M_H^2 H^2 - \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{2}} M_H H^3}_{M_H^2 = -2\mu^2 = 2\lambda v^2} - \frac{1}{4} \lambda H^4$$

$H \rightarrow \text{SM Higgs boson}$ with mass $M_H^2 = -2\mu^2 = 2\lambda v^2$ and self-couplings

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{H} \\ \text{H} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} \text{H} = -3i \frac{M_H^2}{v}$$

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Note on gauge choice: R_ξ gauges

Quantization of gauge theories implies choosing a gauge-fixing condition

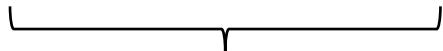
- Abelian gauge case, for simplicity

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} + (D^\mu\phi)^*D_\mu\phi - V(\phi)$$

- Upon SSB

$$\phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}((v + \phi_1(x)) + i\phi_2(x))$$

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}(\partial^\mu\phi_1 + gA^\mu\phi_2)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\partial^\mu\phi_2 - gA^\mu(v + \phi_1))^2 - V(\phi)$$



Eliminate momentum-dependent ϕ_2 contributions to A_μ propagator by cleverly choosing the gauge condition

$$G = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\xi}}(\partial_\mu A^\mu + \xi gv\phi_2)$$

The generating functional of the quantum theory becomes:

$$Z = C \int \mathcal{D}A \mathcal{D}\phi_1 \mathcal{D}\phi_2 \exp \left[\int d^4x \left(\mathcal{L} - \frac{1}{2}G^2 \right) \right] \det \left(\frac{\delta G}{\delta \alpha} \right)$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} - \frac{1}{2}G^2 &= -\frac{1}{2}A_\mu \left(-g^{\mu\nu}\partial^2 + \left(1 - \frac{1}{\xi}\right)\partial^\mu\partial^\nu - (gv)^2g^{\mu\nu} \right) A_\nu \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu\phi_1)^2 - \frac{1}{2}m_{\phi_1}^2\phi_1^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu\phi_2)^2 - \frac{\xi}{2}(gv)^2\phi_2^2 + \dots \\ \mathcal{L}_{ghost} &= \bar{c} \left[-\partial^2 - \xi(gv)^2 \left(1 + \frac{\phi_1}{v} \right) \right] c \quad \xleftarrow{\det \left(\frac{\delta G}{\delta \alpha} \right)} \end{aligned}$$

Gauge and scalar propagators in the generic R_ξ gauge:

$$\langle A^\mu(k)A^\nu(-k) \rangle = \frac{-i}{k^2 - m_A^2} \left(g^{\mu\nu} - \frac{k^\mu k^\nu}{k^2} \right) + \frac{-i\xi}{k^2 - \xi m_A^2} \left(\frac{k^\mu k^\nu}{k^2} \right)$$

$$\langle \phi_1(k)\phi_1(-k) \rangle = \frac{-i}{k^2 - m_{\phi_1}^2}$$

$$\langle \phi_2(k)\phi_2(-k) \rangle = \langle c(k)\bar{c}(-k) \rangle = \frac{-i}{k^2 - \xi m_A^2}$$

Notice: ϕ_2 directly talks to the longitudinal component of A^μ , same mass!

From $\mathcal{L}_{EW}^{SSB} \rightarrow (D^\mu \phi)^\dagger (D_\mu \phi) \rightarrow$ couplings to gauge bosons

$$H = 2i \frac{M_V^2}{v} g^{\mu\nu}$$

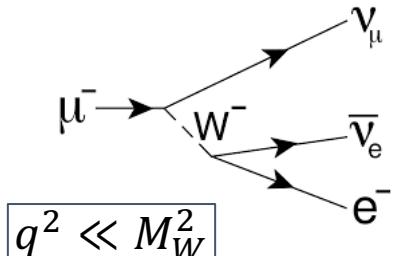
$$H = 2i \frac{M_V^2}{v^2} g^{\mu\nu}$$

Notice: the entire scalar sector depends only on two parameters $\rightarrow (\mu^2, \lambda)$ or (v, λ) or (M_H, v)

→ **Very constrained paradigm: precision measurements of M_H , v , and Higgs-boson couplings are the ultimate test of the SM**

➤ M_H , Higgs boson couplings \rightarrow LHC experiments

➤ $\nu \rightarrow \mu$ decay



$$\Gamma_\mu = \frac{G_F^2 m_\mu^5}{192\pi^3} f(m_e^2/m_\mu^2) (1 + \delta_{RC})$$

$$\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{g^2}{8M_W^2} = \frac{1}{2v^2} \longrightarrow v = (2G_F)^{-1/2}$$

4 – Yukawa Lagrangian (scalar-fermion interaction)

Fermion masses are generated via **gauge-invariant Yukawa-like couplings**

$$\mathcal{L}_{EW}^{Yukawa} = -\Gamma_u^{ij} \bar{Q}_L^i \phi^c u_R^j - \Gamma_d^{ij} \bar{Q}_L^i \phi d_R^j - \Gamma_e^{ij} \bar{L}_L^i \phi l_R^j + \text{h.c.}$$

Such that upon SSB

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{EW}^{Yukawa} &= -\Gamma_u^{ij} \bar{u}_L^i \frac{v + H}{\sqrt{2}} u_R^j - \Gamma_d^{ij} \bar{d}_L^i \frac{v + H}{\sqrt{2}} d_R^j - \Gamma_e^{ij} \bar{l}_L^i \frac{v + H}{\sqrt{2}} l_R^j + \text{h.c.} \\ &= -\sum_{f,i,j} \bar{f}_L^i M_f^{ij} f_R^j \left(1 + \frac{H}{v}\right) + \text{h.c.} \end{aligned}$$

non-diagonal
“mass” matrix

$$M_f^{ij} = \Gamma_f^{ij} \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \xrightarrow{U_L^f, U_R^f} \quad M_f^D = (U_L^f)^\dagger M_f U_R^f$$

Diagonal mass matrix

$$f_L'^i = (U_L^f)_{ij} f_L^j \quad \text{and} \quad f_R'^i = (U_R^f)_{ij} f_R^j$$

Mass eigenstates

Rotating to the “mass” basis

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{EW}^{Yukawa} &= \sum_{f,i,j} \bar{f}'_L^i [(U_L^f)^\dagger M_f U_R^f] f'_R^j \left(1 + \frac{H}{v}\right) + \text{h.c.} \\ &= \sum_{f,i,j} m_f (\bar{f}'_L f'_R + \bar{f}'_R f'_L) \left(1 + \frac{H}{v}\right)\end{aligned}$$

modifies the charge-currents Lagrangian by a **matrix of flavor-mixing couplings**:

$$\mathcal{L}_{CC} = \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{u}'_L^i [(U_L^u)^\dagger U_L^d] \gamma^\mu d_L^j W_\mu^+ + \text{h.c.}$$

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

Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa matrix

➤ Why there is no CKM for leptons in the SM?



Very intriguing: flavor physics has its origin in the scalar sector of the SM, and follows from the mechanism that generates fermion masses.

Testing the EW SM consistency

- Including quantum corrections.
- Global fits of EW precision observables.

Standard Model – Quantum corrections

The SM Lagrangian is made of renormalizable dim=4 structures (all of them!)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{SM} &= \mathcal{L}_{QCD} + \mathcal{L}_{EW} \\ &= \mathcal{L}_{EW}^{\text{ferm}} + \mathcal{L}_{EW}^{\text{gauge}} + \mathcal{L}_{EW}^{SSB} + \mathcal{L}_{EW}^{Yukawa}\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} \rightarrow \bar{\psi}(\not{\partial} - m)\psi, \bar{\psi}\not{A}\psi, \frac{1}{4}G^{a,\mu\nu}G_{\mu\nu}^a$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{EW}^{\text{ferm}} \rightarrow \bar{\psi}_L(\not{\partial})\psi_L, \bar{\psi}_L\not{V}\psi_L$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{EW}^{\text{gauge}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{4}F^{a,\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu}^a, \frac{1}{4}B^{\mu\nu}B_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{EW}^{SSB} \rightarrow \partial^\mu\phi\partial_\mu\phi, \mu^2\phi^2, \phi^4$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{EW}^{Yukawa} \rightarrow \bar{\psi}_L H \psi_R$$

See Lecture 1

The systematic procedure outlined in these lectures will apply with extra constraints imposed by the presence of a partially spontaneously broken gauge symmetry.

The set of fundamental parameters of the SM Lagrangian is:

$$g_{s,0}, g_0, g'_0, \mu_0, \lambda_0, y_{f,0}, V_0^{ij}$$

here taken as **bare parameters**. Thanks to relations induced by the symmetries of the theory, e.g.

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

“natural” relation: they will be finite, but
corrections depend on input parameters
(m_t, M_H, \dots)

$$M_W = \frac{gv}{2}, \quad M_Z = \frac{v\sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}}{2} \rightarrow \frac{M_W}{M_Z} = \frac{g}{\sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}} = \frac{e}{g'} = \cos \theta_W$$

we can trade them for other or “better” sets of input parameters (more precisely measured), for example:

$$g_{s,0}, e_0, M_{W,0}, M_{Z,0}, M_{H,0}, m_{f,0}, V_0^{ij}$$

and **switch to** the corresponding set of **renormalized or physical parameters** upon **imposing suitable renormalization conditions**.

Renormalization conditions

- **QCD**: in the absence of a mass scale, use **MS scheme** or **minimal subtraction scheme**, i.e. subtract just pole parts of each divergent proper vertex.
- **EW**: use procedure illustrated in **Lecture 1** for a scalar $\lambda\phi^4$ toy model → **on-shell subtraction scheme**.
 - Mass/coupling renormalization

$$M_{W,0}^2 = M_W^2 + \delta M_W^2, \dots, m_{f,0} = m_f + \delta m_f, V_0^{ij} = V^{ij} + \delta V^{ij}$$

- Field renormalization

$$W_0^\pm = \sqrt{Z_W} W^\pm, \begin{pmatrix} Z_0 \\ A_0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{Z_{ZZ}} & \sqrt{Z_{ZA}} \\ \sqrt{Z_{AZ}} & \sqrt{Z_{AA}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Z \\ A \end{pmatrix} \dots$$

- Impose renormalization conditions (traditionally) of the form (“on-shell” conditions):

$$\delta M_W^2 = \text{Re}[\Sigma_T^W(M_W^2)], \quad \delta Z_W = -\text{Re}[\Sigma_T^{W'}(M_W^2)], \dots \quad \alpha(0) = \frac{e^2}{4\pi} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Thomson} \\ \text{limit } q^2 \rightarrow 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

Once expressed in terms of the renormalized parameters and fields, any physical observable is finite and can be calculated at the proper perturbative order in QCD+EW and compared with experimental results.

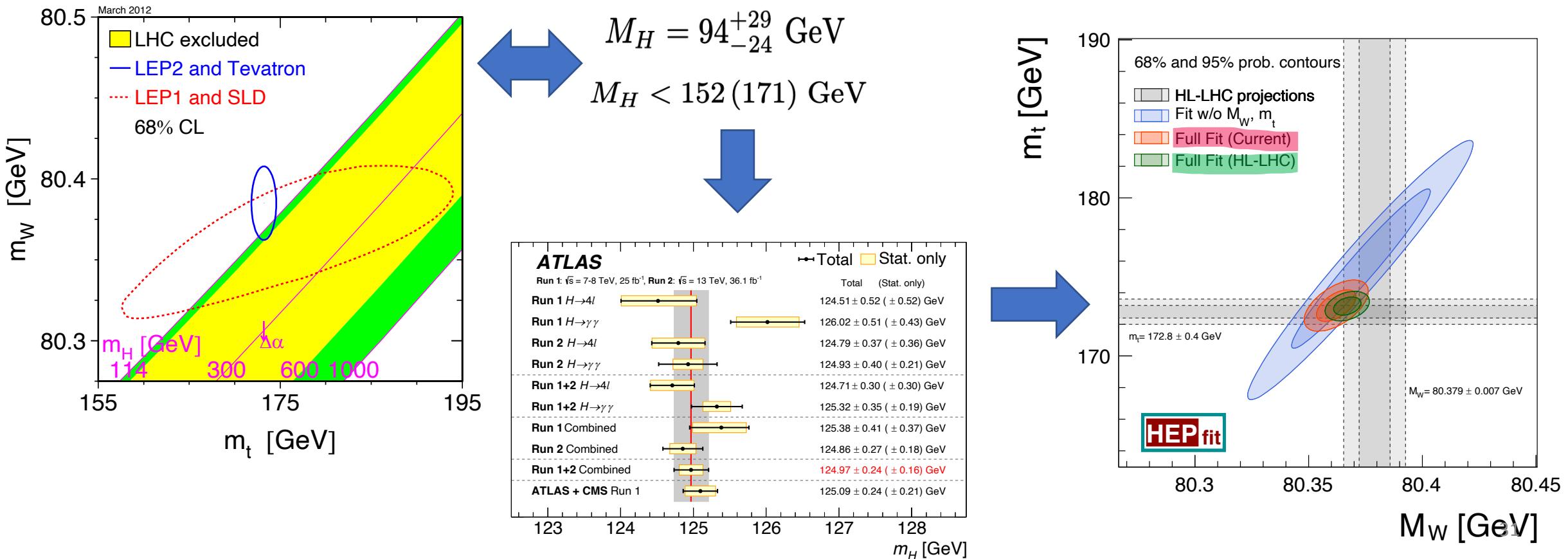
Global fits of precision measurements

- The **symmetry structure** of the Standard Model defines **specific relations among couplings and masses**, such that a minimal set of parameters can be identified.
- The **renormalizability** of the theory assures that tree-level relations are modified by **finite calculable corrections**.
- **Precision measurements** of masses and couplings via multiple observables:
 - Test the **consistency of the theory at the quantum level**
 - Indirectly probe new physics via virtual effects

Very successful history!

The last successful story

Global fits of precision EW observables gave us strong indications of where to find the SM Higgs boson and we now use its mass as one of the EW precision observables of the EW global fit to constrain new physics.



Global fits of EW precision observables – general strategy

- Pick a minimal set of input parameters to SM predictions, e.g.
 - $\alpha, G_F, M_Z, M_H, m_t, m_f, V_{CKM}, \alpha_s \rightarrow \alpha\text{-scheme}$
 - $M_W, G_F, M_Z, M_H, m_t, m_f, V_{CKM}, \alpha_s \rightarrow M_W\text{-scheme}$
- The best measured ones (α, G_F) are fixed, the others are floated.
- Compute EW precision observables (EWPO), including all known higher-order quantum corrections
 - Z-pole observables (LEP/SLD): $\Gamma_Z, \sin^2\theta_{eff}, A_l, A_{FB}, \dots$
 - W-observables (LEP II, Tevatron, LHC): M_W, Γ_W
 - $m_t, M_H, \sin^2\theta_{eff}$ (Tevatron/LHC)
- Perform best fit to EW precision data (EWPD) through different fitting procedures and compare with experimental measurements.
- Beyond SM: parametrize new physics effects on EWPO and constrain deviations from SM in terms of chosen parameters. Examples:
 - **Oblique parameters:** S,T,U, ...
 - **SM effective field theory (SMEFT)** \rightarrow Wilson coefficients

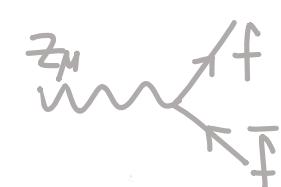
EW Observables: Theoretical parametrization

➤ Analytic theoretical predictions of Z and W boson observables.

- Ex: Z-pole observables:

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^2 \theta_{eff,l} &= \frac{1}{4} \left(1 - \frac{g_{V,l}}{g_{A,l}} \right) & A_f &= \frac{2 \left(\frac{g_{V,f}}{g_{A,f}} \right)}{1 + \left(\frac{g_{V,f}}{g_{A,f}} \right)^2} & \left\{ A_{FB,f} = \frac{3}{4} A_e A_f \right. \\ \Gamma_{Z,f} &= N_f \frac{G_F M_Z^3}{24\sqrt{2}\pi} 4 \left[(g_{V,f})^2 + (g_{A,f})^2 \right] & \left. \left\{ \sigma_{had}^0 = \frac{12\pi}{M_Z^2} \frac{\Gamma_e \Gamma_{had}}{\Gamma_Z^2} \quad R_e^0 = \frac{\Gamma_{had}}{\Gamma_e} \quad R_{q,\nu}^0 = \frac{\Gamma_{q,\nu}}{\Gamma_{had}} \right. \right. \end{aligned}$$

} all in terms of Z-fermion couplings



➤ Functions of all the parameters of the model (masses, couplings) through SM quantum corrections

Global fit of EW observables – last update

For M_W we combine:

- All LEP 2 measurements
- Previous Tevatron average
- ATLAS and LHCb early measurements
- CDF [$M_W = (80.4335 \pm 0.0094)$ GeV]
- ATLAS [$M_W = (80.3665 \pm 0.016)$ GeV]
- CMS [$M_W = (80.3602 \pm 0.010)$ GeV]

$$M_W = 80.366 \pm 0.0080 \text{ GeV (without CDF)}$$

$$80.356 \pm 0.0045 \text{ GeV (from fit)}$$

For m_t we combine:

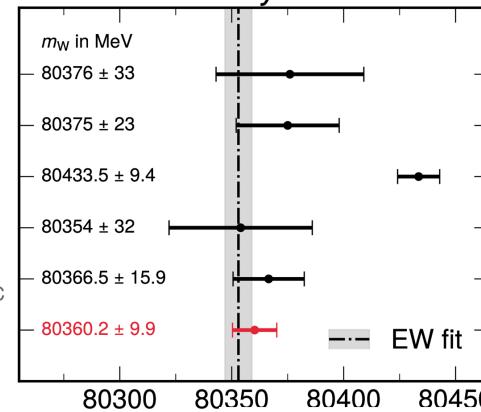
- 2016 Tevatron combination
- ATLAS Run 1 and early Run2 results
- CMS Run 1 and early Run 2 results
- CMS I+j [$m_t = (171.77 \pm 0.38)$ GeV]
- CMS I+j boosted [$m_t = (173.06 \pm 0.83)$ GeV]
- ATLAS I+j boosted [$m_t = 172.95 \pm 0.53$ GeV]

$$m_t = 172.31 \pm 0.32 \text{ GeV}$$

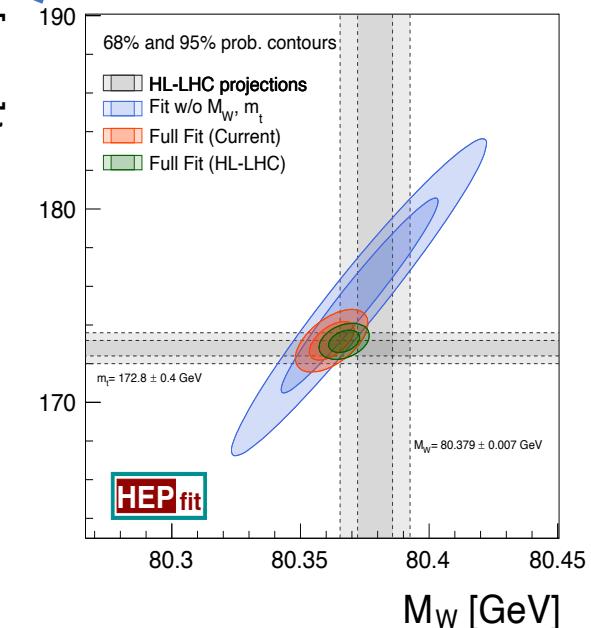
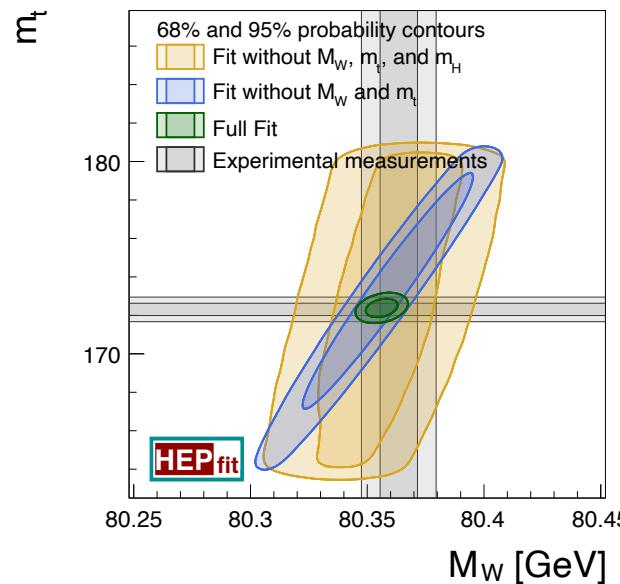
$$172.38 \pm 0.31 \text{ GeV (from fit)}$$

LEP combination
Phys. Rep. 532 (2013) 119
D0
PRL 108 (2012) 151804
CDF
Science 376 (2022) 6589
LHCb
JHEP 01 (2022) 036
ATLAS
arxiv:2403.15085, subm. to EPJC
CMS
This Work

CMS Preliminary



With HL precision

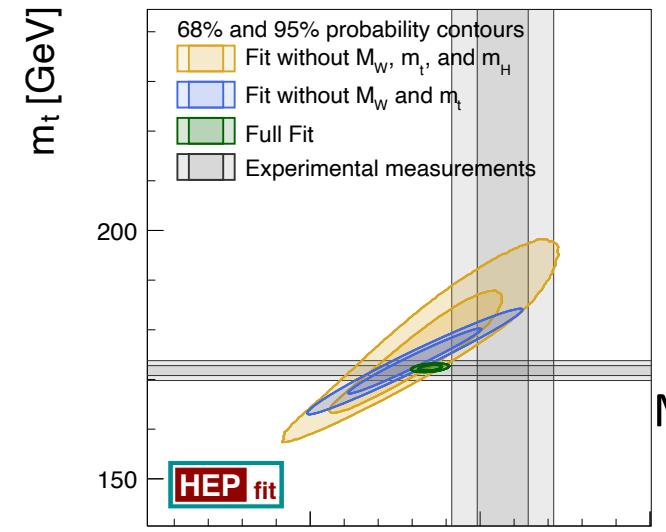
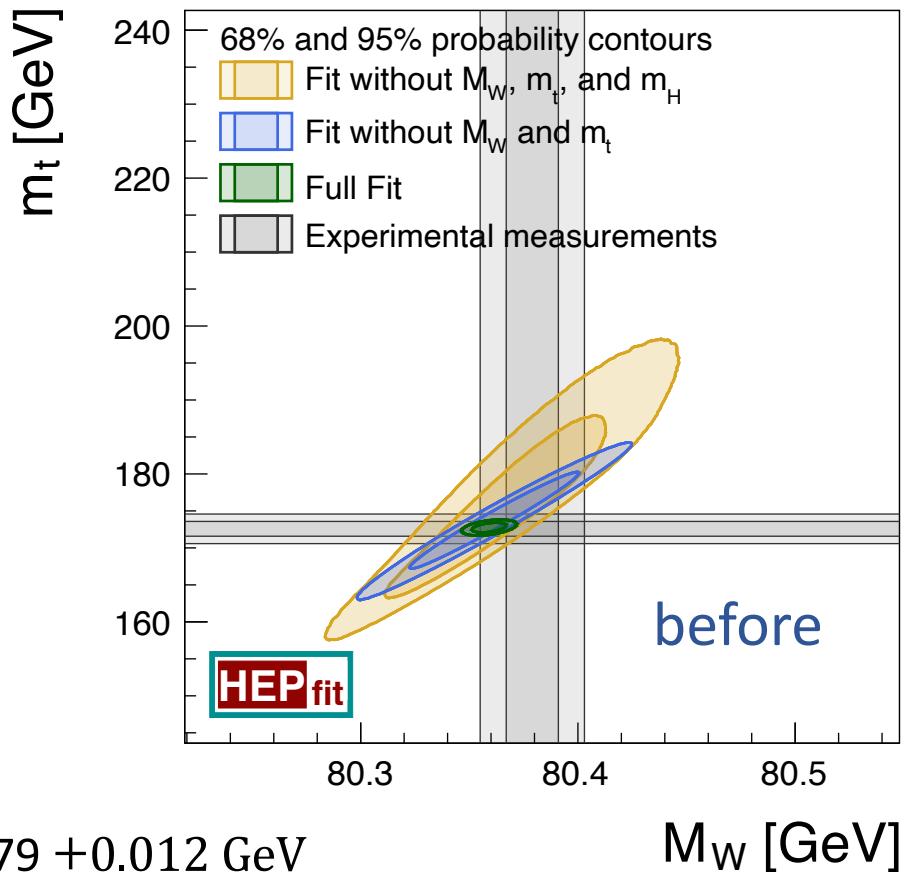


Highlighting sensitivity to anomalies

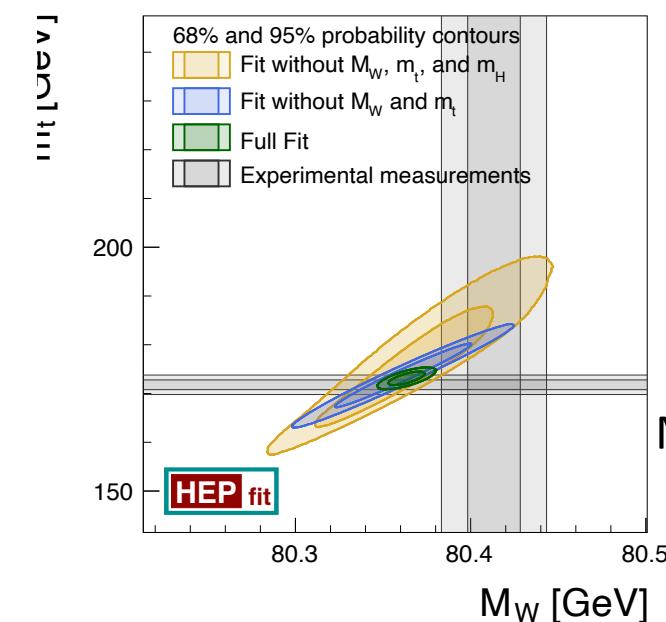
A recent challenge: CDF new M_W measurement

De Blas et al.
[2204.04204]

$$M_W = 80.379 \pm 0.012 \text{ GeV}$$

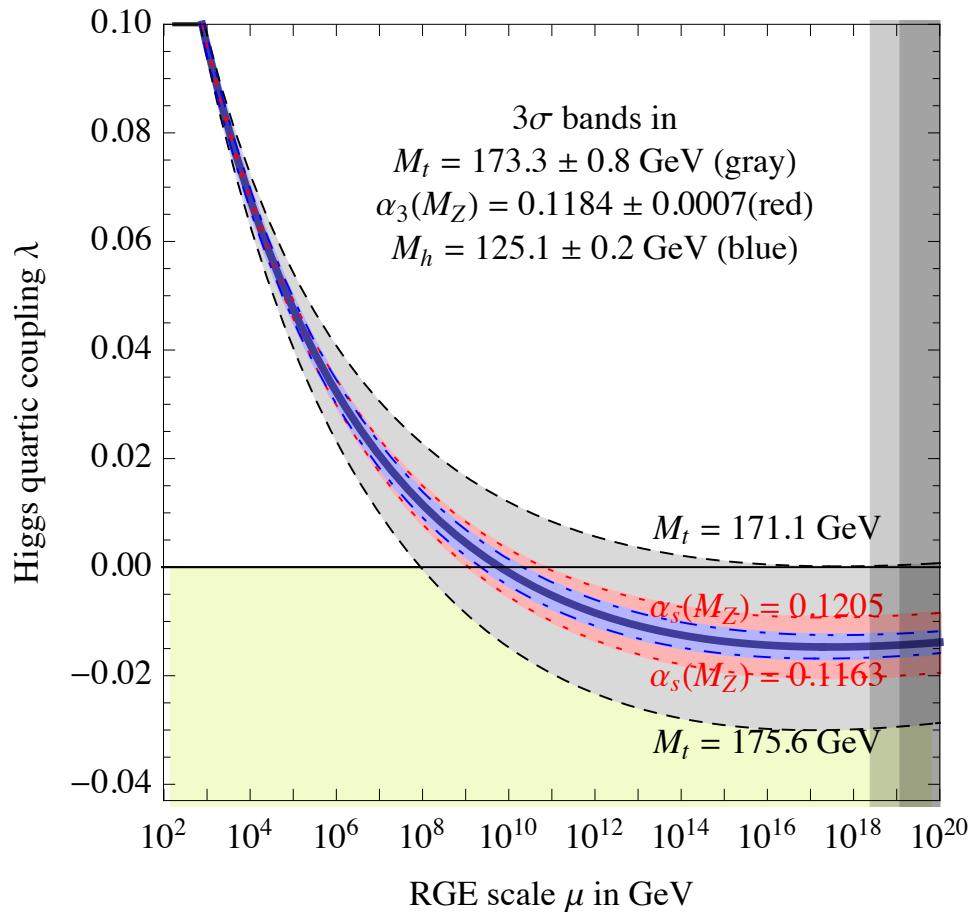


$$M_W = 80.4133 \pm 0.0088 \text{ GeV}$$



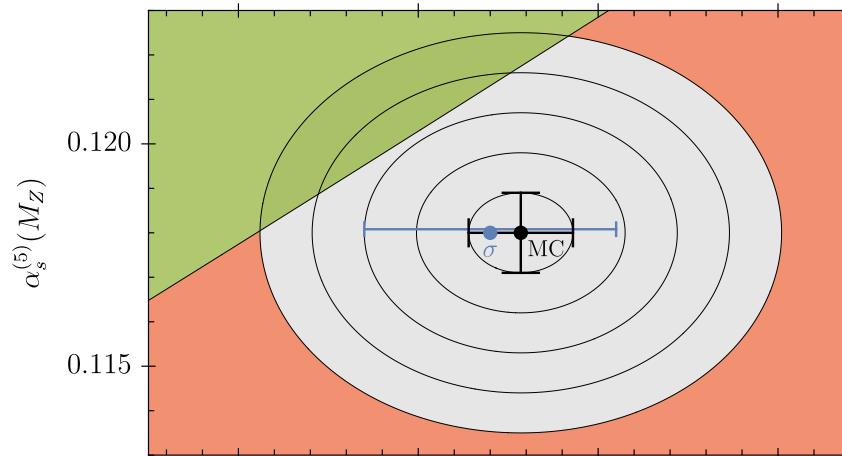
$$M_W = 80.4133 \pm 0.015 \text{ GeV}$$

Far-reaching effects of EW precision fits: SM vacuum stability



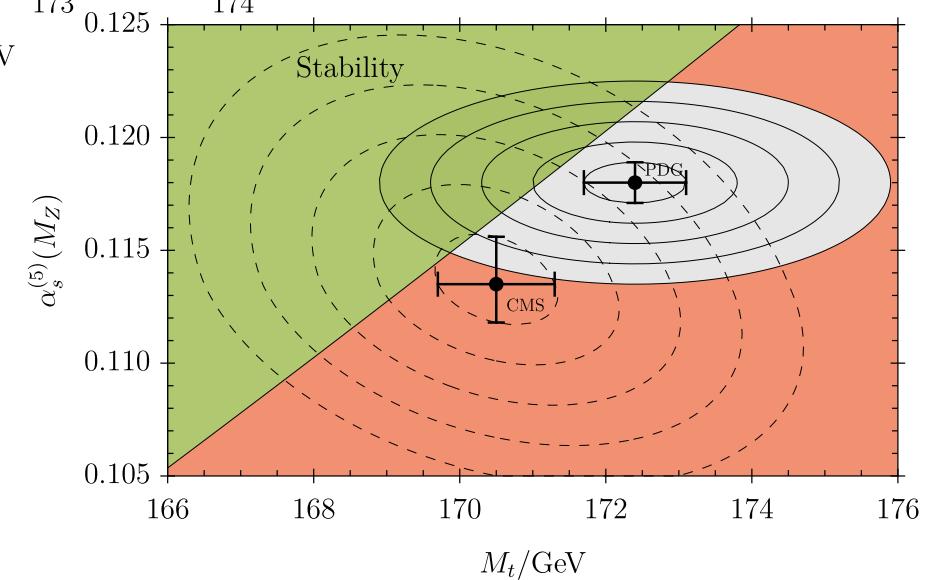
Buttazzo et al., arXiv:1307.3536

Criticality ($\lambda \rightarrow 0$) condition reached for $\Lambda \approx 10^{10} - 10^{12} \text{ GeV}$.
 Is this a signal of NP below the Planck scale?



Uncertainty dominated by central values and errors for **top-quark mass and strong coupling constant**

G Hiller et al.
 arXiv:2401.08811



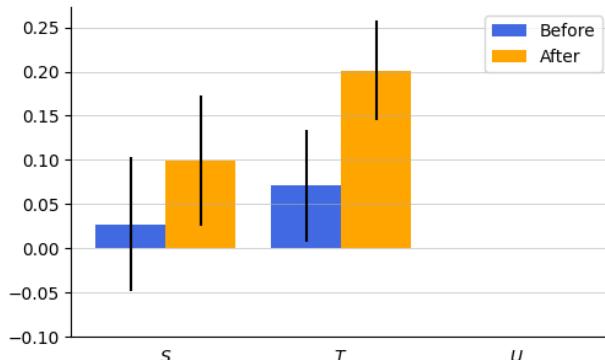
CMS, 1904:05237:
 Combined fit of M_t and α_s :
 effect of correlations

Beyond the SM: {S,T,U}

$$S = -16\pi\Pi_{30}^{\text{NP}'}(0) = 16\pi[\Pi_{33}^{\text{NP}'}(0) - \Pi_{3Q}^{\text{NP}'}(0)]$$

$$T = \frac{4}{s_W^2 c_W^2 M_Z^2} [\Pi_{11}^{\text{NP}'}(0) - \Pi_{33}^{\text{NP}'}(0)]$$

$$U = 16\pi[\Pi_{11}^{\text{NP}'} - \Pi_{33}^{\text{NP}'}(0)]$$



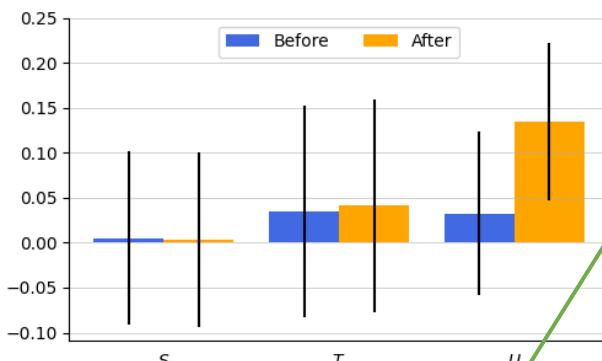
U=0, (S,T) reabsorb impact of M_w

| Result | Correlation | Result | Correlation | | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|------|
| $(\text{IC}_{\text{ST}}/\text{IC}_{\text{SM}} = 25.0/80.2)$ | | $(\text{IC}_{\text{STU}}/\text{IC}_{\text{SM}} = 25.3/80.2)$ | | | | | |
| S | 0.100 ± 0.073 | 1.00 | 0.005 ± 0.096 | 1.00 | | | |
| T | 0.202 ± 0.056 | 0.93 | 1.00 | 0.040 ± 0.120 | 0.91 | 1.00 | |
| U | — | — | — | 0.134 ± 0.087 | -0.65 | -0.88 | 1.00 |

$$g_{\text{SM}} + \Delta g \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta g^{Z f \bar{f}} \propto (S, T) \\ \Delta g^{W f' \bar{f}} \propto (S, T, U) \end{array} \right.$$

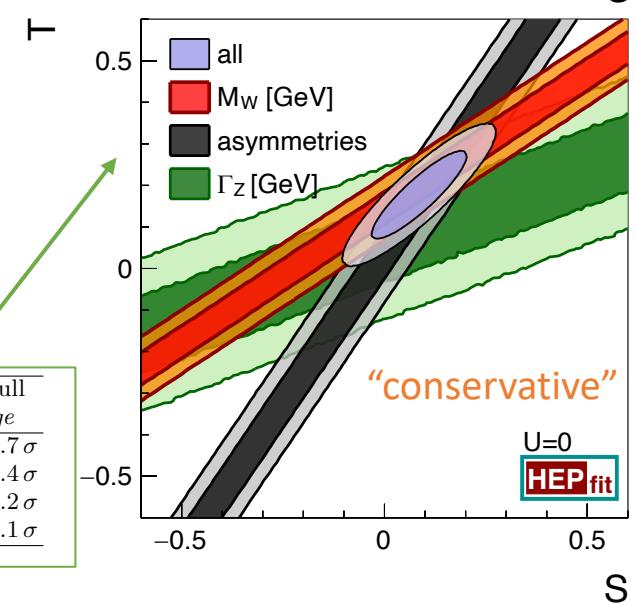
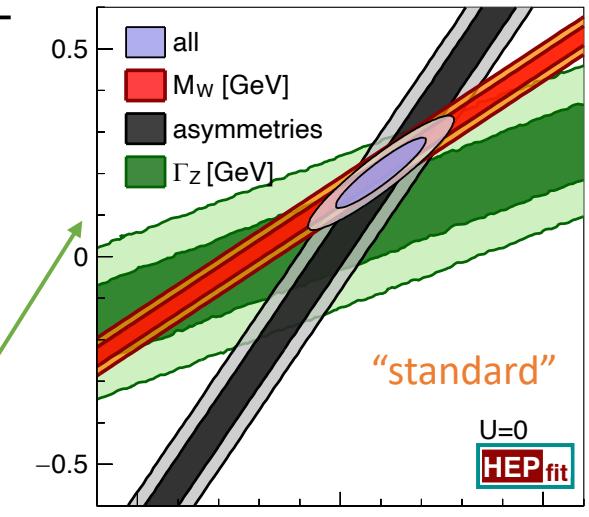
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$\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}_{\text{SM}} + \Delta \mathcal{O}_{\text{NP}}(S, T, U)$



U≠0, U reabsorb impact of M_w

| Model | Pred. M_w [GeV] | Pull | Pred. M_w [GeV] | Pull |
|-------|----------------------|--------------|----------------------|--------------|
| | standard average | | conservative average | |
| SM | 80.3499 ± 0.0056 | 6.5σ | 80.3505 ± 0.0077 | 3.7σ |
| ST | 80.366 ± 0.029 | 1.6σ | 80.367 ± 0.029 | 1.4σ |
| STU | 80.32 ± 0.54 | 0.2σ | 80.32 ± 0.54 | 0.2σ |
| SMEFT | 80.66 ± 1.68 | -0.1σ | 80.66 ± 1.68 | -0.1σ |



Beyond the SM: SMEFT (d=6)

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi l}^{(1)} = (\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{l}_L \gamma^\mu l_L) ,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi l}^{(3)} = (\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu^i \phi) (\bar{l}_L \sigma_i \gamma^\mu l_L) ,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi e} = (\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi)(\bar{e}_R \gamma^\mu e_R) ,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi q}^{(1)} = (\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{q}_L \gamma^\mu q_L) ,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi q}^{(3)} = (\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu^i \phi) (\bar{q}_L \sigma_i \gamma^\mu q_L)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi u} = (\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi)(\bar{u}_R \gamma^\mu u_R) \ ,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi d} = (\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{d}_R \gamma^\mu d_R) ,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi WB} = (\phi^\dagger \sigma_i \phi) W_{\mu\nu}^i B^{\mu\nu} ,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi D} = (\phi^\dagger D^\mu \phi)^* (\phi^\dagger D_\mu \phi) ,$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{ll} = (\overline{l}_L \gamma^\mu l_L)(\overline{l}_L \gamma^\mu l_L)$$

Zff/Wff vertex corrections

$$w/z \longleftrightarrow S, T$$

→ G_F

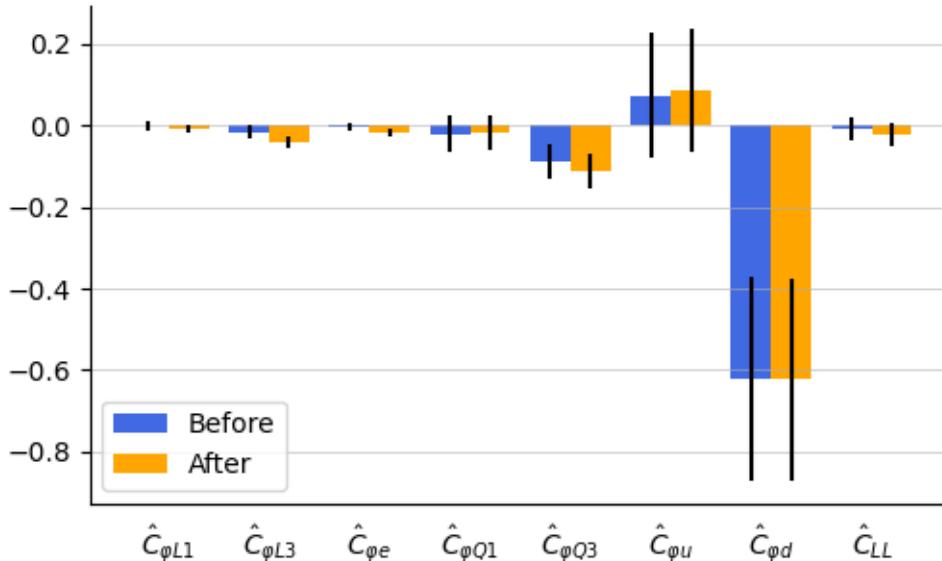
Only 8 independent combinations enter EWPO

$$\hat{C}_{\varphi f}^{(1)} = C_{\varphi f}^{(1)} - \frac{Y_f}{2} C_{\varphi D}, \quad f = l, q, e, u, d,$$

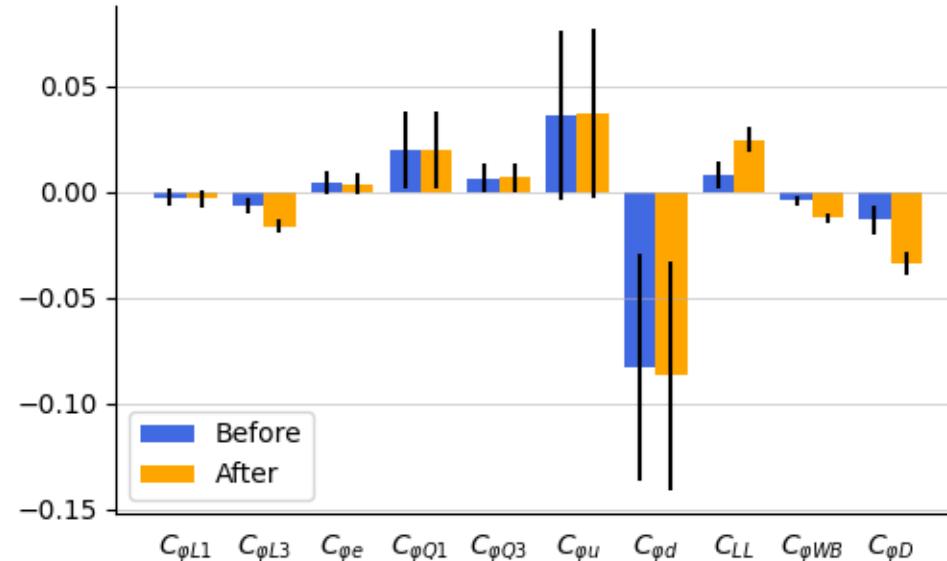
$$\hat{C}_{\varphi f}^{(3)} = C_{\varphi f}^{(3)} + \frac{c_w^2}{4s_w^2} C_{\varphi D} + \frac{c_w}{s_w} C_{\varphi WB}, \quad f = l, q,$$

$$\hat{C}_{ll} = \frac{1}{2}((C_{ll})_{1221} + (C_{ll})_{2112}) = (C_{ll})_{1221},$$

Global fit of all coefficients



Fit of individual coefficients



No substantial impact of new mt and MW measurements, within uncertainty of the fit.

Adding Higgs and top observables will lift the degeneracy

All 10 coefficients constrained independently by the global fit