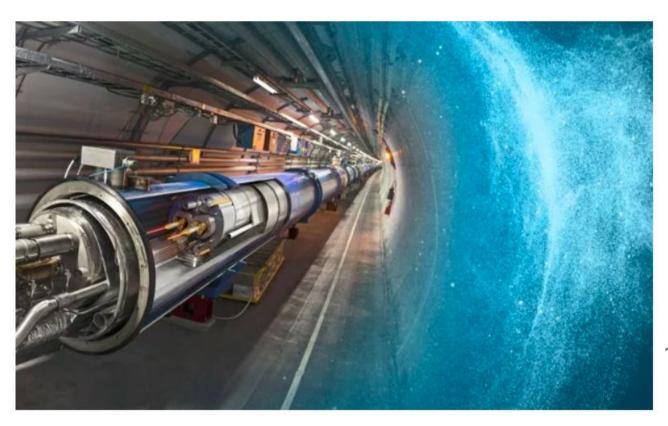
# Introduction to the Standard Model

# **Summer Student Lecture 2025 - Part I**



Clara Leitgeb

Deutsches Elektronen Synchrotron

11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> August 2025



Many thanks to Thorsten Kuhl and Alvaro Lopez Solis for their lectures and help



#### **Preface**

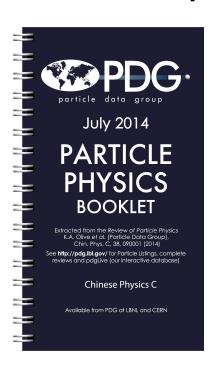
- >Concentrating on general concepts and a broad overview.
- >This lecture cannot replace a university course on particle physics
- >Very different level of knowledge: Hard to devise a course that fits all....
  - → Some parts more interesting to beginners, some more to the advanced
    - You will see many formulas! Don't panic and don't focus on them. They are there to support a physics explanation or just to give you a glimpse of what is the theory behind all these concepts (i.e. show that something exists even if we won't talk in depth about it).
- >Please do ask questions!
- > If you have any further question, my email is : leitgebc@hu-berlin.de



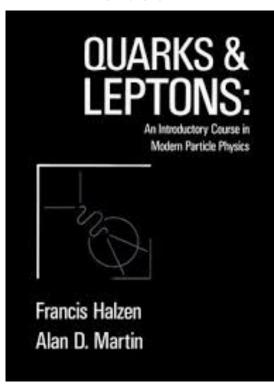
#### Literature

>http://pdg.lbl.gov/

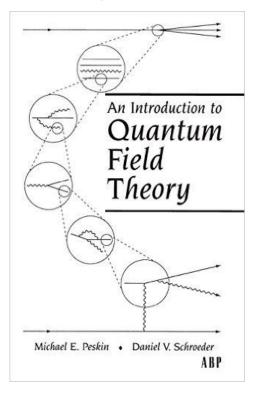
#### The summary



#### The book



#### The BIBLE





#### Content

- >0) Introduction
  - What is the Standard Model?
  - Coupling constants, masses and charges
  - Units and scales
- >1) Interactions
  - Relativistic kinematics
  - Symmetries and conserved quantities
  - Feynman diagrams
  - Running couplings and masses
- >2)Quantum electrodynamics
  - Test of QED: Magnetic momentum of the muon
  - Test of QED: High energy colliders



#### Content

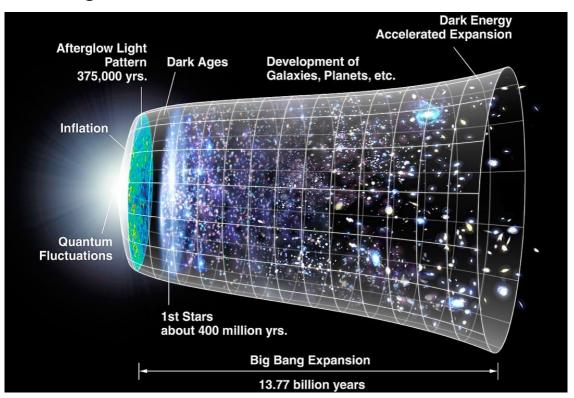
- >3) Strong Interaction: Quantum-Chromodynamics
  - A short history of hadrons and quarks
  - DIS and gluons
  - QCD and its properties
- >4) Electroweak interactions
  - Discovery of electroweak bosons
  - Tests of angular distributions
  - Feynman rules
  - Handed-ness of electroweak interactions
  - More tests of the electroweak SM
- >5) The Higgs
  - Why was it predicted?
  - How was it found?



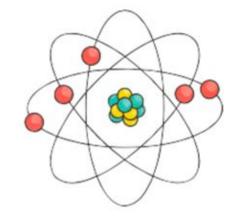
# Introduction

#### Introduction to the Standard Model

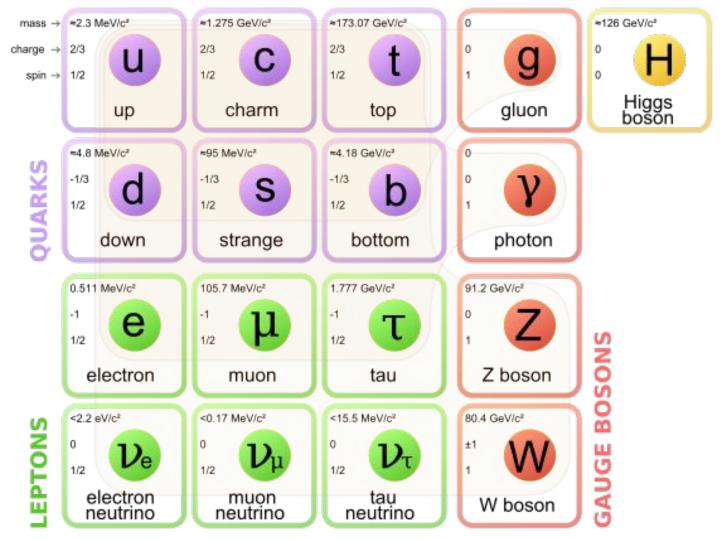
From atoms to the galaxies and clusters, the history of our Universe and its evolution is determined by the presence of particles and the interactions amongst them







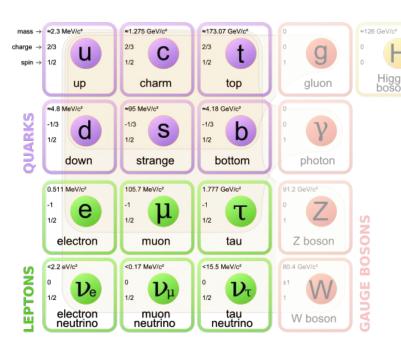
During these days, we will try to summarize our current knowledge of the most basic components of Nature and their interactions







> Fields described by the Standard Model can be classified as



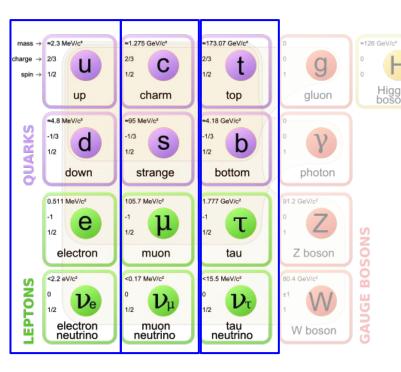
#### **Matter fields**

These are the fields of which most of the traditional particles (protons, neutrons, electrons) that we know are composed

- Leptons: don't interact with strong force
- Quarks: interact with strong force
- ➤ Spin ½
- 3 Generations or flavours



> Fields described by the Standard Model can be classified as



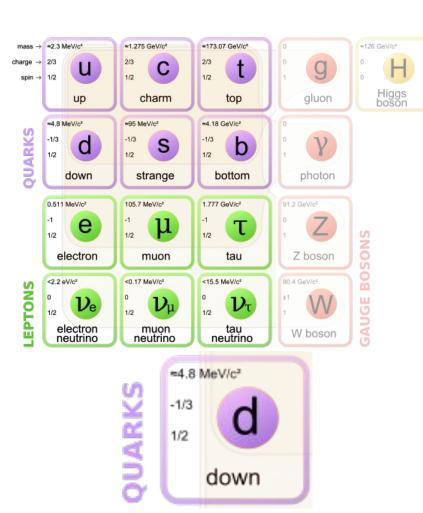
#### **Matter fields**

These are the fields of which most of the traditional particles (protons, neutrons, electrons) that we know are composed

- Leptons: don't interact with strong force
- Quarks: interact with strong force
- > Spin ½
- 3 Generations or flavours



> Fields described by the Standard Model can be classified as



#### **Matter fields**

These are the fields of which most of the traditional particles (protons, neutrons, electrons) that we know are composed

- Leptons: don't interact with strong force
- Quarks: interact with strong force
- > Spin ½
- 3 Generations or flavours

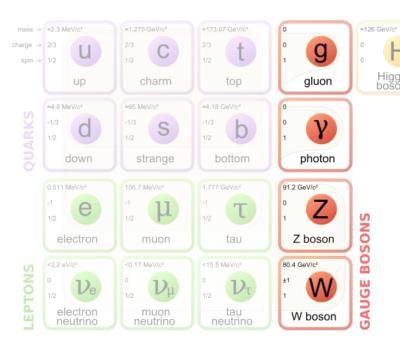
#### Particle properties

- Baryon number
- > Lepton number
- Electric charge, weak isospin and color
- Mass

+Isospin, strangeness, charm, bottomness, topness



> Fields described by the Standard Model can be classified as



#### Force fields

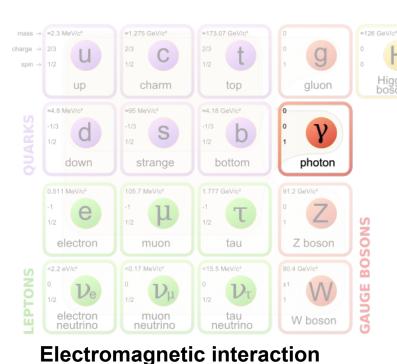
These are the fields exchanged in the interactions between matter fields

- Gauge bosons
- > Spin 1
- Mediator of interactions between particles that are charged under the treated interaction

Three forces currently described by the SM



> Fields described by the Standard Model can be classified as



Gauge boson: photon (A<sub>u</sub>)

Possible between fields that possess electromagnetic charge  $(g_{FM})$ 

Quantum electrodynamics (QED)

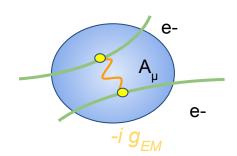
#### Force fields

These are the fields exchanged in the interactions between matter fields

- Gauge bosons
- Spin 1
- Mediator of interactions between particles that are charged under the treated interaction

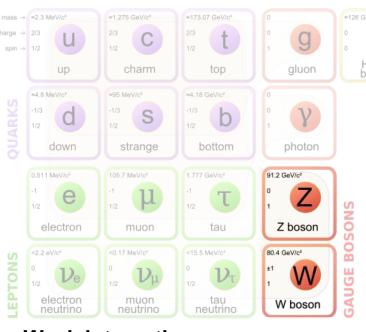
Three forces currently described by the SM







> Fields described by the Standard Model can be classified as



#### Force fields

These are the fields exchanged in the interactions between matter fields

- > Gauge bosons
- Spin 1
- Mediator of interactions between particles that are charged under the treated interaction

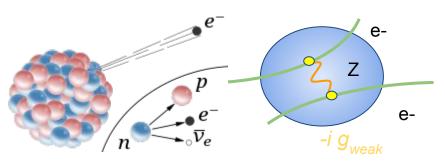
Three forces currently described by the SM

#### Weak interaction

Gauge bosons: W<sup>+</sup>, W<sup>-</sup>, Z<sup>0</sup> (W<sub>11</sub>)

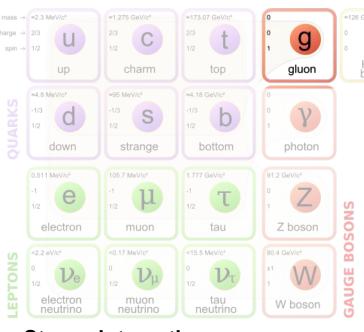
Possible between fields that possess Isospin and/or hypercharge (g<sub>weak</sub>)

GSW mechanism





> Fields described by the Standard Model can be classified as



#### Force fields

These are the fields exchanged in the interactions between matter fields

- Gauge bosons
- > Spin 1
- Mediator of interactions between particles that are charged under the treated interaction

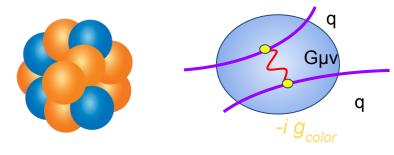
Three forces currently described by the SM

#### **Strong interaction**

Gauge bosons: gluons

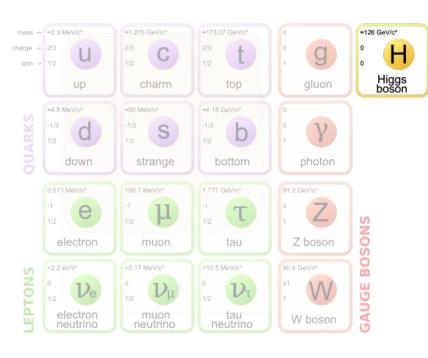
Possible between fields that possess color charge  $(g_{color})$ 

Quantum chromodynamics (QCD)





> Fields described by the Standard Model can be classified as



#### Higgs field

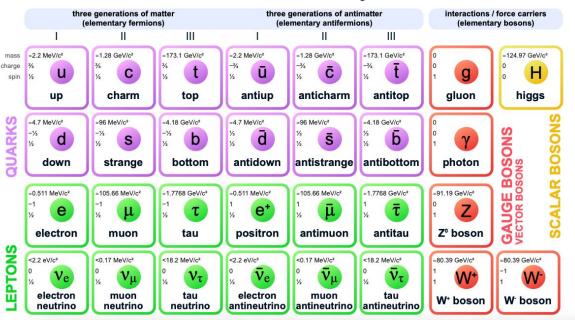
Particles in the Standard Model obtain masses via interaction with the Higgs field.

- Excited quanta : Higgs boson
- > Spin 0
- The strength of the coupling between the Higgs field is the reason of the mass hierarchy in SM
  - Larger coupling → higher mass of the particle.



> Fields described by the Standard Model can be classified as

#### **Standard Model of Elementary Particles**



#### Particles and anti-particles

Each of the particles in the SM has its anti-particle

- Same mass
- Same flavour but opposite lepton or baryon number
- Same spin
- Color → anti-color; negative electric charge →positive electric charge



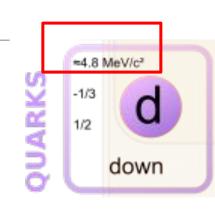
#### Units and scales

 $\hbar = c = 1$  Energy Units

>"natural units"  $\rightarrow c = 1$   $\hbar = 1$  (masses, energies and momenta measured in GeV)

Conventional Mass, Length, Time Units, and Positron Charge in Terms of

Conversion Factor	$\hbar = c = 1$ Units	Actual Dimension
$1 \text{ kg} = 5.61 \times 10^{26} \text{ GeV}$	GeV	$\frac{\text{GeV}}{c^2}$
$1 \text{ m} = 5.07 \times 10^{15} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$	${ m GeV}^{-1}$	$rac{\hbar c}{{ m GeV}}$
$1 \text{ sec} = 1.52 \times 10^{24} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$	${ m GeV}^{-1}$	$rac{\hbar}{ ext{GeV}}$
$e = \sqrt{4\pi\alpha}$	_	$(\hbar c)^{1/2}$



#### Some Useful Conversion Factors

1 TeV = 
$$10^3$$
 GeV =  $10^6$  MeV =  $10^9$  KeV =  $10^{12}$  eV  
1 fermi = 1 F =  $10^{-13}$  cm =  $5.07$  GeV<sup>-1</sup>  
(1 F)<sup>2</sup> =  $10$  mb =  $10^4$   $\mu$ b =  $10^7$  nb =  $10^{10}$  pb  
(1 GeV)<sup>-2</sup> =  $0.389$  mb

[Taken from:

Quarks and Leptons:

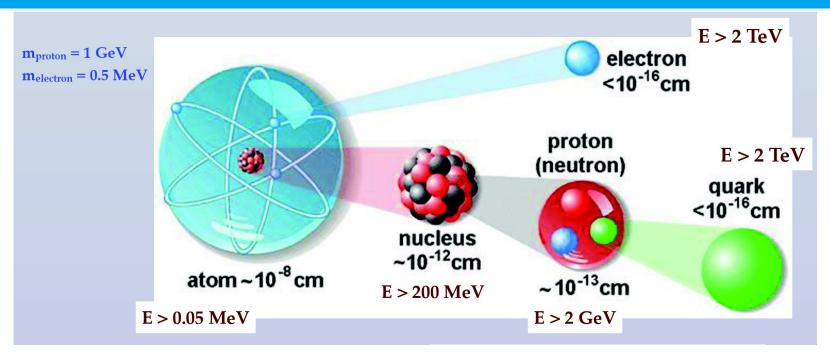
An Introductory Course in Modern Particle Physics

Francis Halzen/Alan D. Martin ]

*ħ*c ~ 197 MeV fm



#### **Units and scales**



$$1 \, \text{eV} = 1.602 \cdot 10^{-19} \, \text{J}$$
 $\text{keV} = 10^3 \, \text{eV}$ 
 $\text{MeV} = 10^6 \, \text{eV}$ 
 $\text{GeV} = 10^9 \, \text{eV}$ 
 $\text{TeV} = 10^{12} \, \text{eV}$ .

$$m_e = 511 \text{ keV}$$
 $m_p = 938 \text{ MeV}$ 
 $m_n = 939 \text{ MeV}$ 
 $E_e(\text{LEP}) = 104.5 \text{ GeV}$ 
 $E_p(\text{Tevatron}) = 980 \text{ GeV}$ 
 $E_p(\text{LHC}) = 7 \text{ TeV}.$ 



# Basic blocks of the Standard Model: conserved quantities, interactions, Feynman!

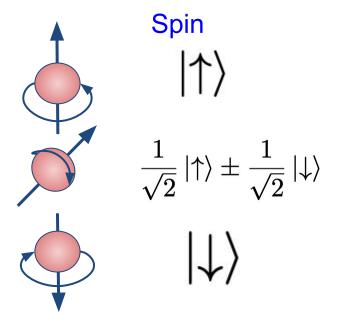
# Let's start easy: what is a particle in QM?

In your quantum mechanics courses, a particle is described by a wave-function.

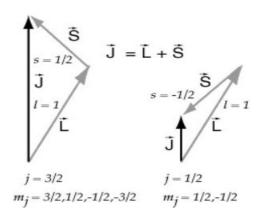
$$|\psi
angle = \Psi(x,p,t;S,S_Z;L,L_z,..)$$

# Momentum (or position) and time

$$\phi(p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(x) e^{-ipx/\hbar} dx$$



## Angular momentum



#### other properties



# Let's start easy: what is a particle in QM?

The evolution of the wave-function is governed by Schroedinger equation

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\Psi\rangle = \hat{H} |\Psi\rangle$$

Hamiltonian

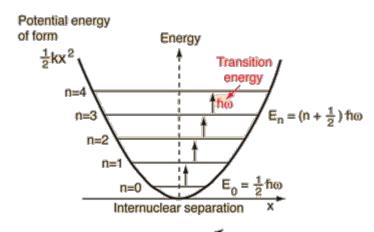
$$\begin{split} \hat{H} &= \frac{\hat{P}^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2\hat{X}^2 \\ \hat{H} &= \left(\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a} + \frac{1}{2}\right)\hbar\omega \\ \hat{a} &= \sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}}\,\hat{X} + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2m\omega\hbar}}\,\hat{P} \\ \hat{a}^{\dagger} &= \sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}}\,\hat{X} - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2m\omega\hbar}}\,\hat{P} \end{split}$$

Creation and annihilation

$$\hat{a}|n\rangle = c_n|n-1\rangle$$

$$\hat{a}^{\dagger} | n \rangle = d_n | n + 1 \rangle$$

#### Harmonic oscillator of 1 particle system





x=0 represents the equilibrium separation between the nuclei.

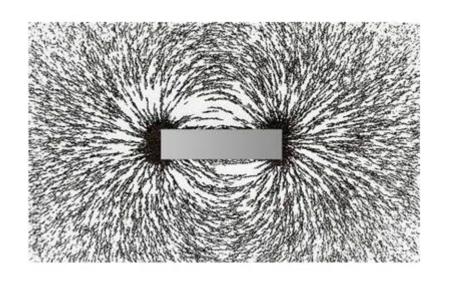
$$\hat{a} = \sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}}\,\hat{X} + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2m\omega\hbar}}\,\hat{P}$$
 
$$\hat{a}^{\dagger} = \sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}}\,\hat{X} - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2m\omega\hbar}}\,\hat{P}$$
 
$$\hat{H} \ket{n-1} = E_{n-1} \ket{n-1} = (E_n - \hbar\omega) \ket{n-1}$$
 
$$\hat{H} \ket{n+1} = E_{n+1} \ket{n+1} = (E_n + \hbar\omega) \ket{n+1}$$

Energy is quantized. Ground state of minimal energy and excited states.



# Let's start easy: what is an interaction in QM?

Interactions between particles, via classical continuous fields.



**Classical field** 

Continuous

Mainly describing forces

Following field equations

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho}{\varepsilon_0}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$$

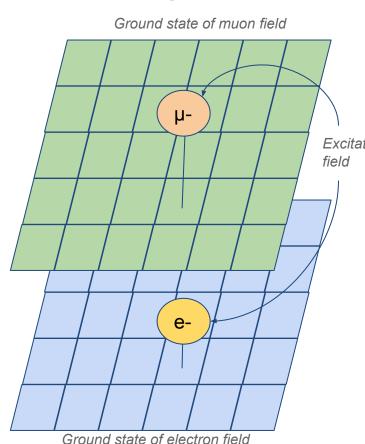
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{j} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}$$



# Let's start easy: what is a particle?

In modern particle physics, particles are just excited states of an underlying quantized field!

#### **Second quantization**



$$|\psi(\mathbf{x})\rangle = \phi(\mathbf{x})|0\rangle$$

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega_p}} \left( a_p + a_{-p}^{\dagger} \right) e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}}$$

Free scalar field for particle creation at position x

- Excitation of > One field → one particle type
  - > Matter fields and force fields
  - > Discrete (quantized), not continuous

Bosonic fields (integer spin)

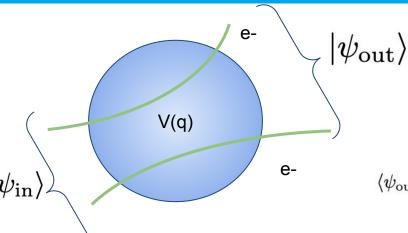
$$\left[a_p, a_{p'}^{\dagger}\right] = i \left(2\pi\right)^3 \delta^3 \left(p - p'\right)$$

Fermionic fields (semi-integer spin)

$$\left\{a_p, b_{p'}^{\dagger}\right\} = i \left(2\pi\right)^3 \delta^3 \left(p - p'\right)$$



# Let's start easy: what is an interaction between particles?



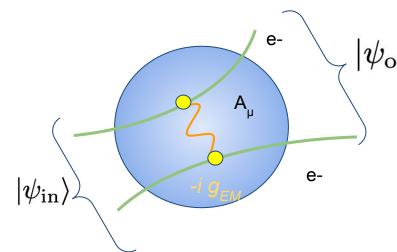
#### Interactions in QM

In QM, encoded in potential terms in Hamiltonian

$$\langle \psi_{\mathrm{out}} | \hat{H} | \psi_{\mathrm{in}} \rangle = \langle \psi_{\mathrm{out}} | H_0 + H_I | \psi_{\mathrm{in}} \rangle = \langle \psi_{\mathrm{out}} | - \frac{h^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V(q) | \psi_{\mathrm{in}} \rangle$$

Probability of interaction so state  $|\psi_{\rm in}\rangle$  !=  $|\psi_{\rm out}\rangle$  ?

$$\mathcal{T} \propto \left| \left\langle \psi_{
m out} \right| V(q) \left| \psi_{
m in} 
ight
angle 
ight|^2$$



#### Forces/interactions in QFT

Interaction are exchanges of "force" fields

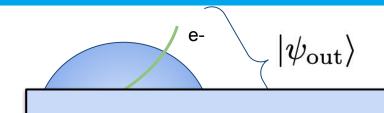
Possible between fields that have a coupling/charge associated to this force field in Lagrangian

Probability of interaction so state  $|\psi_{\rm in}\rangle$  !=  $|\psi_{\rm out}\rangle$  ?

$$i\mathcal{M} \propto \left|g_{
m EM}^2 ra{\psi_{
m out}}A_\mu \ket{\psi_{
m in}}
ight|^2$$



# Let's start easy: what is an interaction between particles?



#### **Interactions in QM**

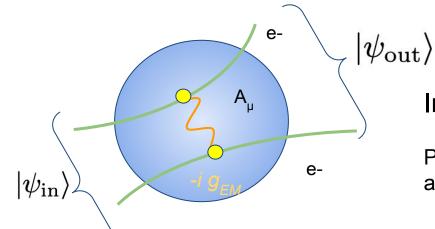
In QM. encoded in potential terms in

Quantum field theory is the theoretical framework we use to describe dynamics and interactions of different fields

$$+ \, V(q) \, |\psi_{
m in}
angle$$

Probability of interaction so state  $|\psi_{\mathrm{in}}\rangle$  !=  $|\psi_{\mathrm{out}}\rangle$  ?

$$\mathcal{T} \propto \left| \left\langle \psi_{
m out} \right| V(q) \left| \psi_{
m in} 
ight
angle 
ight|^2$$



#### Forces/interactions in QFT

Interaction are exchanges of "force" fields

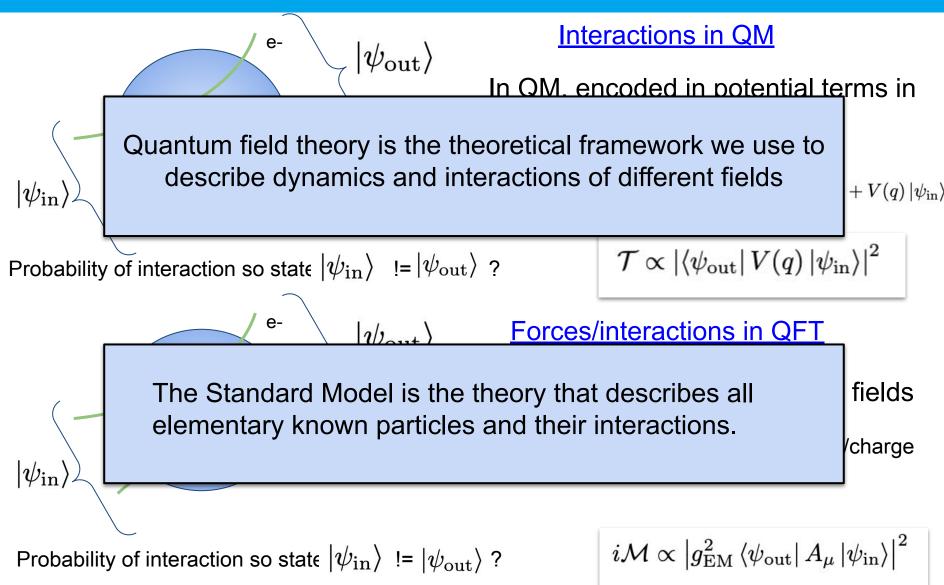
Possible between fields that have a coupling/charge associated to this force field in Lagrangian

Probability of interaction so state 
$$|\psi_{\rm in}\rangle$$
 !=  $|\psi_{\rm out}\rangle$  ?

$$i\mathcal{M} \propto \left|g_{
m EM}^2 ra{\psi_{
m out}}A_\mu \ket{\psi_{
m in}}
ight|^2$$



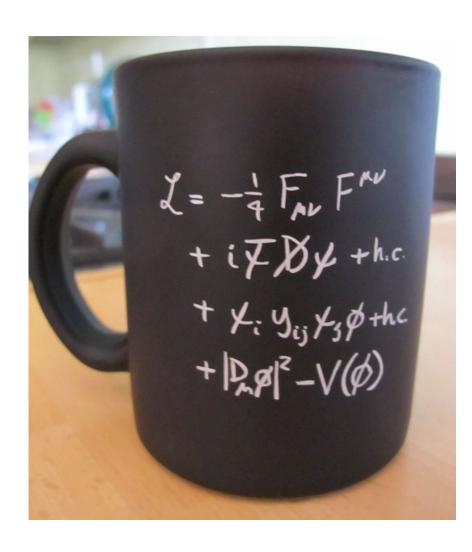
# Let's start easy: what is an interaction between particles?



#### Lagrangian formalism

SM describing dynamics of fields and interactions -> Using a lagrangian

- Kinematics of spin-1 bosons
- Kinematics of fermions.
- Interactions between fields
- Kinematics of spin-0 fields (no interactions)

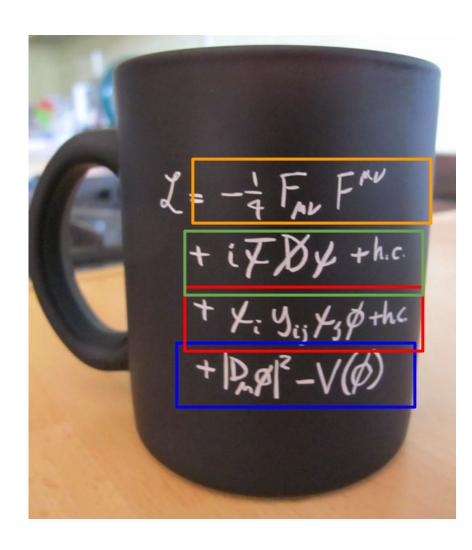




#### Lagrangian formalism

SM describing dynamics of fields and interactions -> Using a lagrangian

- > Kinematics of spin-1 bosons
- > Kinematics of fermions.
- Interactions between fields
- Kinematics of spin-0 fields (no interactions)



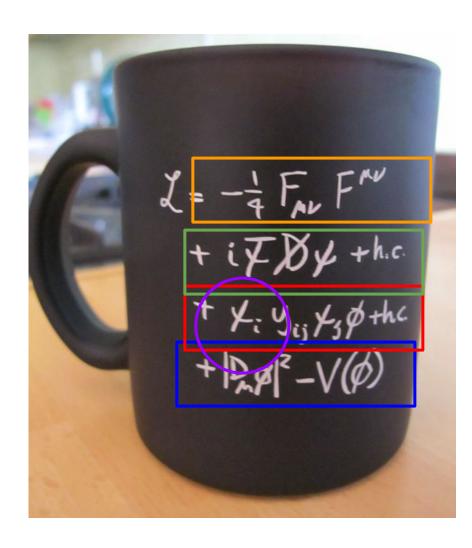


#### Lagrangian formalism

SM describing dynamics of fields and interactions -> Using a lagrangian

- > Kinematics of spin-1 bosons
- Kinematics of fermions.
- Interactions between fields
- Kinematics of spin-0 fields (no interactions)

Coupling between different fields.





#### Lagrangian formalism

SM describing dynamics of fields and interactions -> Using a lagrangian

- > Kinematics of spin-1 bosons
- Kinematics of fermions.
- Interactions between fields
- Kinematics of spin-0 fields (no interactions)

#### **Euler-Lagrange**

Equations of motion

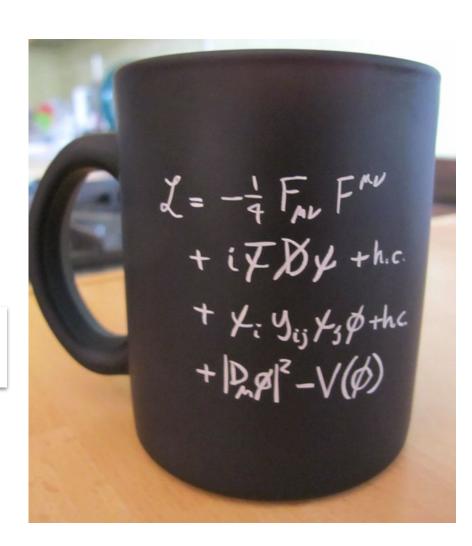
$$\partial_{\mu}\left(rac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_{\mu}\phi(x))}
ight)-rac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial\phi(x)}=0$$

Klein-Gordon eq.: kinematics spin-0 fields

$$\left( \,\Box + m^2\,
ight) \psi = 0$$

Dirac equation: kinematics spin ½ field

$$i\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\psi-m\psi=0$$

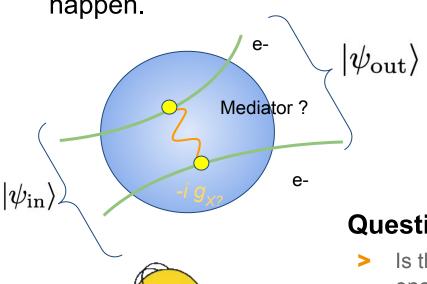




# Probability that two particles interact (e.g electrons through QED)?

The strength of an interaction depends on the probability of a process to

happen.



$$i\mathcal{M} \propto \left|g_{
m EM}^2 raket{\psi_{
m out}}{A_{\mu}\ket{\psi_{
m in}}}
ight|^2$$

#### Questions for a possible interaction:

- Is the process kinematically possible? Do we have enough energy in the interaction to produce a mediator?
- Are there symmetries of my interaction that wouldn't allow me to have this interactions?
  - E.g. everything seems fine, but spin of the system is not preserved in the interaction.
- Do my fields have a coupling in the lagrangian?
  - How large is the numerical value of this coupling?

## Interactions and conserved quantities: symmetries

- > From Quantum mechanics: Symmetry connected to conserved quantity
- Different interactions conserve different quantities

quantity	interaction		n	invariance
	strong	elm.	weak	
energy	yes	yes	yes	translation in time
momentum	yes	yes	yes	translation in space
angular momentum	yes	yes	yes	rotation in space
P (parity)	yes	yes	no	coordinate inversion
C (charge parity)	yes	yes	no	charge conjugation (particle ↔ anti-particle)
T (time parity)	yes	yes	no	time inversion
CPT	yes	yes	yes	
lepton number	yes	yes	yes	
baryon number	yes	yes	yes	
isospin	yes	no	no	

+ Flavour: conserved by strong and electromagnetic. Not by Weak interaction.



# Interactions and conserved quantities: Relativistic kinematics

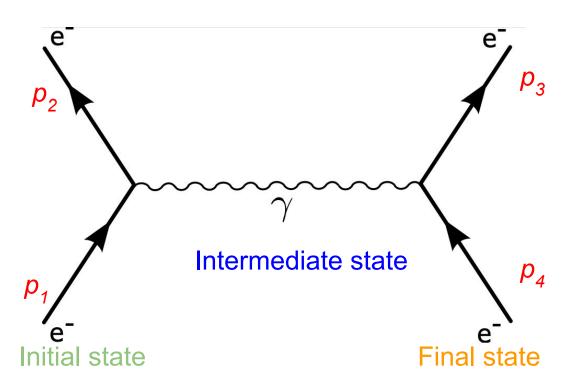
particle quantities are described as 4-vectors:

energy/momentum: 
$$p = (E, \vec{p})$$
  
time/space:  $x = (t, \vec{x})$ 

- > product of 4-vectors is invariant:  $p_1 \cdot p_2 = (E_1 \cdot E_2 \vec{p}_1 \cdot \vec{p}_2) = \text{constant}$  $\rightarrow$  can use the "easiest" reference frame for calculations
- > special case:  $p \cdot p = (E^2 \vec{p} \cdot \vec{p}) = (E_0^2 0) = m^2$ with  $\beta = v/c$  and  $\gamma = 1/\sqrt{1-\beta^2}$ :  $E = \gamma m$  and  $|\vec{p}| = \beta \gamma m$



# Interactions and conserved quantities: Relativistic kinematics



#### Pair-annihilation/creation

Particle-antiparticle annihilate and produce alternative field

#### Scattering

Interacting particles exchange a force field

#### Decay

Particle decays into several subparticles

#### Radiation

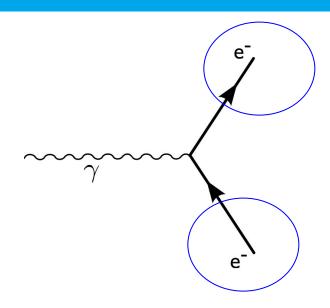
Emission of a final state particle

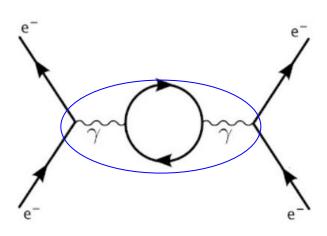
Kinematically allowed ?  $\rightarrow$  Conservation of total 4-momentum between initial and final states

$$p_1 + p_2 = p_3 + p_4 \quad egin{pmatrix} E_1 + E_2 \ ec{p_1} + ec{p_2} \end{pmatrix} = egin{pmatrix} E_3 + E_4 \ ec{p_3} + ec{p_4} \end{pmatrix}$$



# Kinematics: on-shell (real) and off-shell (virtual) particles





#### On-shell particle or real particle

Particles produced in the collision and satisfying momentum-mass relation

$$p \cdot p = m^2$$

#### Off-shell particle or virtual particle

Intermediate particles in the interaction.
Conserve momentum and energy in the vertices. Quantum fluctuation, possible for very short time thanks to Heisenberg principle.

$$p \cdot p \neq m^2$$

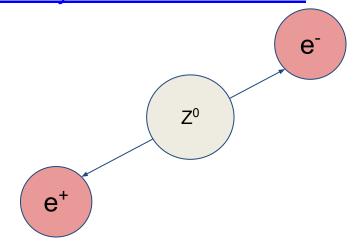
$$\Delta E \Delta t \geq \hbar \approx 6.6 \cdot 10^{-22} \,\mathrm{MeV \, s}$$

Probability of interaction, higher if on-shell particles (resonance)



## Kinematically allowed: decay example

#### Decay of on-shell Z-boson



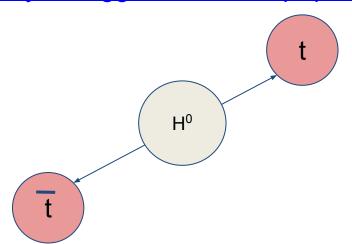
Mass of Z-boson ~ 91 GeV

Mass of electron/positron = 0.511 GeV

m<sub>7</sub> >> 2 x m(electron-positron)

#### Allowed!

#### Decay of Higgs boson to top quarks



Mass of Higgs boson ~ 125 GeV

Mass of top/anti-top = 175 GeV

Top-quark has mass (highest mass in SM) → Interaction H-t exists

m(H) << 2 x m(top)

#### Not allowed!

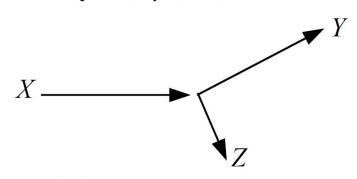


## Relativistic kinematics: additional concepts

centre-of-mass energy of a collider, e.g. HERA

P 27.6 GeV e 
$$p_{\rm P} = (E_{\rm P}, \vec{p}_{\rm P}) = (E_{\rm P}, 0, 0, E_{\rm P})$$
  
920 GeV 27.6 GeV  $p_{\rm e} = (E_{\rm e}, \vec{p}_{\rm e}) = (E_{\rm e}, 0, 0, -E_{\rm e})$   
 $s = (p_{\rm P} + p_{\rm e})^2 = (E_{\rm P} + E_{\rm e})^2 - (E_{\rm P} - E_{\rm e})^2 = 4E_{\rm P}E_{\rm e} \approx 10^5 \,\text{GeV}^2$   
 $\Rightarrow \sqrt{s} = 318 \,\text{GeV}$ 

• decay of a particle  $X \rightarrow YZ$ :



$$\begin{split} M_X^2 &= (p_X)^2 = (p_Y + p_Z)^2 \\ &= m_Y^2 + m_Z^2 + 2 p_Y p_Z \\ &= m_Y^2 + m_Z^2 + 2 (E_Y E_Z - \vec{p}_Y \cdot \vec{p}_Z) \end{split}$$
 and  $E_Y^2 = m_Y^2 + |p_Y|^2$ ,  $E_Z^2 = m_Z^2 + |p_Z|^2$ 

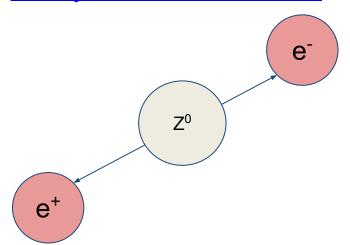
⇒ if daughter particle types are known (or their masses are negligible), mass of decaying mother particle can be reconstructed from the momenta of the daughters ("invariant mass")



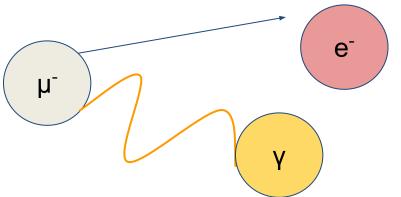
## Symmetries of the interaction: conserved quantities

Interactions, apart from 4-momentum, conserve properties of the initial and final state.

#### Decay of on-shell Z-boson



Muon into electron and photon



Electric charge of the  $Z^0 = 0$ 

Electric charge of electron = -1

Electric charge of positron = +1

$$\sum_{\text{initial}} q_i = \sum_{\text{final}} q_j = 0$$

I can clearly write a lagrangian term for this (theory would allow me)

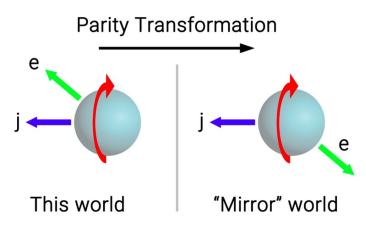
Lepton flavour is violated and SM don't violate flavour



## Other conserved properties of an interaction?

#### **Parity**

Mirror the coordinates of the particle. Changes sign of momentum, coordinates Spin doesn't change sign.



# Time reversal

If I revert the time, would the interaction take place in the same way?

#### Charge conjugation

Change a particle by its anti-particle

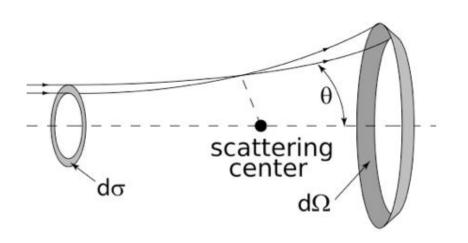


And combinations: CP, CPT?



#### **Cross-section of interaction**

If my interaction is not violating any symmetry or kinematics, time to make some calculations!



#### **Cross-section**

Encodes the probability of the interaction to happen

#### Depends on:

- Type and geometry of the interaction
- Incident particles 4-momentum.
- Quantum amplitude of the interaction.

General cross-section formula for processes such that:  $A + B \rightarrow C + D + E + ....$  (Peskin, Schroeder)

$$d\sigma = \frac{1}{2E_A 2E_B |v_A - v_B|} \left( \prod_f \frac{d^3 p_f}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2E_f} \right) \times |\mathcal{M}(p_A, p_B \to p_f)|^2 (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_A + p_B - \sum_f p_f)$$

Momenta and energy of input particles (A,B)

Momenta of outgoing particles

Amplitude of interaction (here's where the SM magic happens)

4-momentum conservation

## How to calculate the amplitude of the interaction?

$$\mathcal{L}_{SM} = -\frac{1}{2} \partial_{\nu} g_{0}^{n} \partial_{\nu} g_{\mu}^{n} - g_{\nu} f^{abc} \partial_{\mu} g_{\nu}^{n} g_{\mu}^{n} g_{\nu}^{c} - \frac{1}{4} g_{\nu}^{2} f^{abc} f^{adc} g_{\mu}^{n} g_{\nu}^{c} - g_{\nu}^{d} g_{\nu}^{c} - \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{+} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{-} - M^{2} W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\mu}^{-} - \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\nu} A_{\nu}^{2} \partial_{\nu} G_{\nu}^{2} - \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} A_{\nu} \partial_{\nu} A_{\nu} - igc_{\omega} (\partial_{\nu} Z_{\mu}^{n} (W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\nu}^{-} - W_{\nu}^{-} W_{\nu}^{+} W_{\mu}^{-}) - 2^{\nu} (W_{\mu}^{+} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{-} - W_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{+}) + 2^{\mu} (W_{\nu}^{+} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{+} - W_{\nu}^{-} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{+})) - \frac{1}{2} g^{2} W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\mu}^{-} W_{\nu}^{+} - A_{\nu} (W_{\mu}^{+} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{-} - W_{\nu}^{-} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{+}) + A_{\mu} (W_{\nu}^{+} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{-} - W_{\nu}^{-} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{+})) - \frac{1}{2} g^{2} W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\nu}^{+} W_{\nu}^{-} + \frac{1}{2} g^{2} W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\nu}^{-} W_{\mu}^{+} + W_{\nu}^{-} + g^{2} g_{\omega}^{2} (Z_{\mu}^{0} W_{\mu}^{+} Z_{\nu}^{0} W_{\nu}^{-} - Z_{\mu}^{2} Z_{\nu}^{0} W_{\nu}^{+} W_{\nu}^{-}) - \frac{1}{2} g^{2} W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\mu}^{-} W_{\nu}^{-} + 2 g^{2} W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\mu}^{-}) + g^{2} s_{\omega}^{2} (A_{\mu} Z_{\nu}^{0} (W_{\mu}^{+} Z_{\nu}^{0} W_{\nu}^{-} - Z_{\mu}^{2} Z_{\nu}^{0} W_{\nu}^{+} W_{\nu}^{-}) - \frac{1}{2} g^{2} W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\mu}^{-} W_{\nu}^{-} W_{\nu}^{-} + 4 g^{2} \phi^{0} \partial_{\nu}^{0} + 2 g^{4} \phi^{-}) + \frac{2M^{4}}{2} g_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} - g^{2} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} - g^{2} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{0} - g^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} - g^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} - g^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} \partial$$

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$$

# One of most simple interactions (in QED)

 Annihilation of electron-positron, virtual photon, and pair-creation

#### Fermion fields

$$\psi(x) = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_p}} \sum_s \left( a_p^s u^s(\mathbf{p}) e^{-iP \cdot x} + b_p^{s\dagger} v^s(\mathbf{p}) e^{+iP \cdot x} \right)$$

$$\psi^\dagger(x) = \int rac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} rac{1}{\sqrt{2E_p}} \sum_s \left( a_p^{s\dagger} \, u^{s\dagger}(\mathbf{p}) \, e^{iP\cdot x} + b_p^s \, v^{s\dagger}(\mathbf{p}) \, e^{+iP\cdot x} 
ight)$$

#### **Boson fields**

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}, t_0) = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3 \sqrt{2E_{\mathbf{p}}}} \left( a_{\mathbf{p}}(t_0) e^{i\mathbf{p}\mathbf{x}} + a_{\mathbf{p}}^{\dagger}(t_0) e^{-i\mathbf{p}\mathbf{x}} \right)$$

#### Photon field

$$A_{\mu}(x) = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3 \sqrt{2E_{\mathbf{p}}}} \sum_{s} \left( a_{\mathbf{p}}^s \epsilon_{\mu}^s(p) e^{-ipx} + a_{\mathbf{p}}^{s\dagger} \epsilon_{\mu}^{s*}(p) e^{ipx} \right)$$

Each step: creation, annihilation for final prob

$$\mathcal{M} \propto \langle 0|T\phi_I(x)\phi_I(y)\phi_I(z_1)\cdots\phi_I(z_{4n})|0\rangle$$

Y Summer student program | 11.08-13.08.2025 | Page 42



## How to calculate the amplitude of the interaction?

$$\begin{split} &\mathcal{L}_{SM} = -\frac{1}{2} \partial_{\nu} g_{0}^{n} \partial_{\nu} g_{0}^{n} - g_{\nu} f^{abc} \partial_{\mu} g_{\nu}^{c} g_{\nu}^{c} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\nu}^{2} f^{abc} f^{abc} g_{\mu}^{b} g_{\nu}^{c} g_{\mu}^{c} g_{\nu}^{c} - \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{+} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{-} - M^{2} W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\mu}^{-} - \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\nu} Z_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\nu} Z_{\mu}^{0} - \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} A_{\nu} \partial_{\mu} A_{\nu} - i g_{cw} (\partial_{\nu} Z_{\mu}^{0} (W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\nu}^{-} - W_{\nu}^{+} W_{\nu}^{-}) - 2 g_{\nu}^{c} (W_{\mu}^{+} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{-} - W_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{+}) + 2 g_{\nu}^{0} (W_{\nu}^{+} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{-} - W_{\nu}^{-} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{+}) - i g_{sw} (\partial_{\nu} A_{\mu} (W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\nu}^{-} - W_{\nu}^{+} W_{\mu}^{-}) - A_{\nu} (W_{\mu}^{+} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{-} - W_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{+}) + A_{\mu} (W_{\nu}^{+} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{-} - W_{\nu}^{-} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{+})) - \frac{1}{2} g_{\nu}^{2} (\partial_{\mu} W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\nu}^{-} - W_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{+}) + W_{\nu}^{-} - W_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{+}) + A_{\mu} (W_{\nu}^{+} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{-} - W_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{+})) - 2 g_{\nu}^{2} G_{\mu}^{2} W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\nu}^{-} - W_{\mu}^{-} W_{\nu}^{-} W_{\mu}^{+} - g^{2} G_{\nu}^{2} (G_{\mu}^{2} W_{\mu}^{+} G_{\nu}^{2} W_{\nu}^{-} - Z_{\mu}^{2} G_{\mu}^{0} W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\nu}^{-}) + 2 \frac{1}{2} g_{\nu}^{2} H_{\mu}^{-} W_{\nu}^{-} - W_{\nu}^{-} + G_{\mu}^{2} G_{\nu}^{0} G_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} - G_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} - \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} \phi^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} - G_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} - \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} \phi^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} - G_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} - G_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\mu}^{-} \partial_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} - G_{\mu}^{0} \partial_{\mu}^{-} \partial_$$



$$\psi(x) = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_p}} \sum_{s} \left( a_p^s u^s(\mathbf{p}) e^{-iP \cdot x} + b_p^{s\dagger} v^s(\mathbf{p}) e^{+iP \cdot x} \right)$$

$$\psi^{\dagger}(x) = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_p}} \sum_{s} \left( a_p^{s\dagger} u^{s\dagger}(\mathbf{p}) e^{iP \cdot x} + b_p^s v^{s\dagger}(\mathbf{p}) e^{+iP \cdot x} \right)$$

**Boson fields** 

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}, t_0) = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3 \sqrt{2E_{\mathbf{p}}}} \left( a_{\mathbf{p}}(t_0) e^{i\mathbf{p}\mathbf{x}} + a_{\mathbf{p}}^{\dagger}(t_0) e^{-i\mathbf{p}\mathbf{x}} \right)$$

Photon field

$$A_{\mu}(x) = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3 \sqrt{2E_{\mathbf{p}}}} \sum_{s} \left( a_{\mathbf{p}}^s \epsilon_{\mu}^s(p) e^{-ipx} + a_{\mathbf{p}}^{s\dagger} \epsilon_{\mu}^{s*}(p) e^{ipx} \right)$$

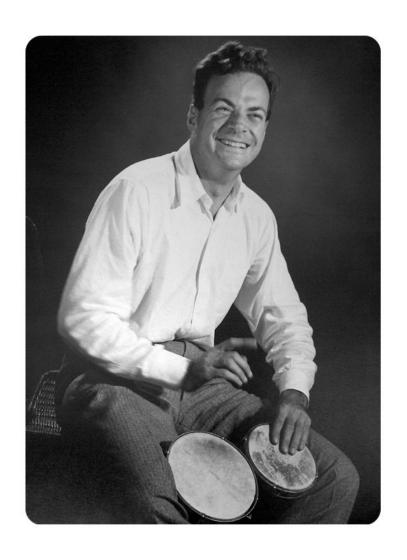
Each step: creation, annihilation for final prob

$$\mathcal{M} \propto \langle 0|T\phi_I(x)\phi_I(y)\phi_I(z_1)\cdots\phi_I(z_{4n})|0\rangle$$

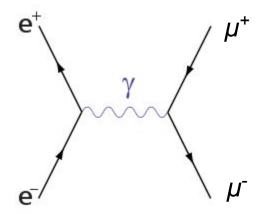
Y Summer student program | 11.08-13.08.2025 | Page 43



## Reason why particle physicists LOVE Feynman



#### Feynman diagrams



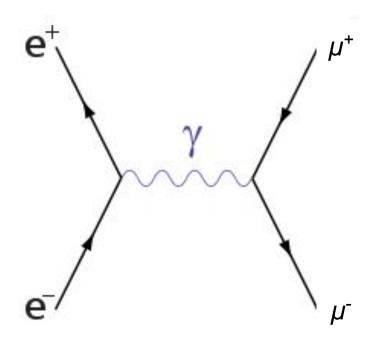
Because these are not just visual representations of the process

They are recipes on how to build the equation of each possible interaction leading to your process.

## Feynman rules



## Feynman rules: example QED



$$= \bar{v}^{s'}(p')(-ie\gamma^{\mu})u^{s}(p)\bigg(\frac{-ig_{\mu\nu}}{q^2}\bigg)\bar{u}^{r}(k)(-ie\gamma^{\nu})v^{r'}(k')$$

Which is what we would've arrived with doing it the hard way

$$\langle 0|T\phi_I(x)\phi_I(y)\phi_I(z_1)\cdots\phi_I(z_{4n})|0\rangle$$

1. Incoming fermion  $\longrightarrow$   $= u^s(p)$ 

2. Incoming antifermion  $\xrightarrow{p}$  =  $\bar{v}^s(p)$ 

3. Outgoing fermion  $\bullet \longrightarrow p = \bar{u}^s(p)$ 

4. Outgoing antifermion  $\stackrel{p}{\longleftarrow}$  =  $v^s(p)$ 

5. Incoming photon  $\sim p$  =  $\epsilon^{\mu}$ 

6. Outgoing photon  $\qquad \qquad \qquad p \qquad = \epsilon^{\mu*}$ 

7. Photon propagator  $\sim p = \frac{-ig^{\mu\nu}}{p^2 + i\epsilon}$ 

8. Fermion propagator  $=\frac{i(\not p+m)}{p}$   $=\frac{i(\not p+m)}{p^2-m^2+i\epsilon}$ 

9. Vertex  $= -ie\gamma^{\mu}$ 

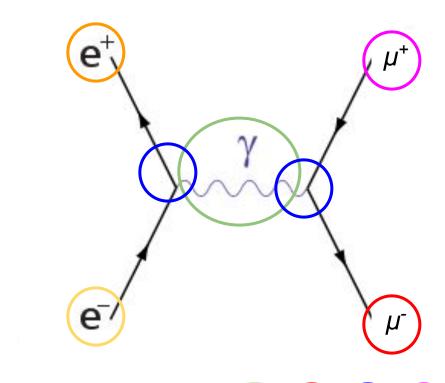
10. Impose 4-momentum conservation at each vertex.

11. Integrate over momenta not determined by 10.:  $\int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4}$ 

12. Figure out the overall sign of the diagram.

Clara Leitgeb | Introduction to the Standard Model | DESY

## Feynman rules: example QED



$$= \left(\bar{v}^{s'}(p') \left(-ie\gamma^{\mu}\right)u^{s}(p)\right)\left(\frac{-ig_{\mu\nu}}{q^{2}}\right)\left(\bar{u}^{r}(k)\right) -ie\gamma^{\nu}\right)v^{r'}(k')$$

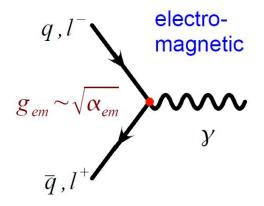
Which is what we would've arrived with doing it the hard way

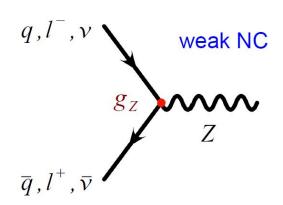
$$\langle 0|T\phi_I(x)\phi_I(y)\phi_I(z_1)\cdots\phi_I(z_{4n})|0\rangle$$

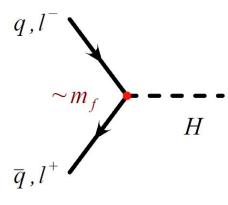
- 1. Incoming fermion  $\longrightarrow$   $= u^s(p)$
- 2. Incoming antifermion  $\xrightarrow{P}$  =  $\bar{v}^s(p)$
- 3. Outgoing fermion  $\bullet \longrightarrow p = \bar{u}^s(p)$
- 4. Outgoing antifermion  $\longrightarrow$  =  $v^s(p)$
- 5. Incoming photon  $\sim p = \epsilon^{\mu}$
- 6. Outgoing photon  $\qquad \qquad p \qquad = \epsilon^{\mu*}$
- 7. Photon propagator  $\sim p = \frac{-ig^{\mu\nu}}{p^2 + i\epsilon}$
- 8. Fermion propagator  $\longrightarrow p = \frac{i(\not p + m)}{p^2 m^2 + i\epsilon}$
- 9. Vertex  $\sim -ie\gamma^{\mu}$
- 10. Impose 4-momentum conservation at each vertex.
- 11. Integrate over momenta not determined by 10.:  $\int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4}$
- 12. Figure out the overall sign of the diagram.

Clara Leitgeb | Introduction to the Standard Model | DESY

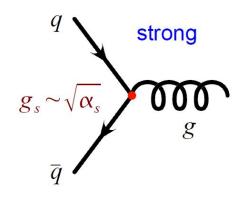
## Feynman rules: different for each force

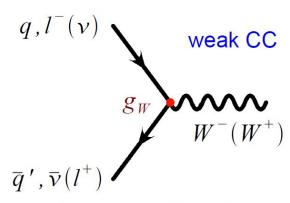






neutrinos???





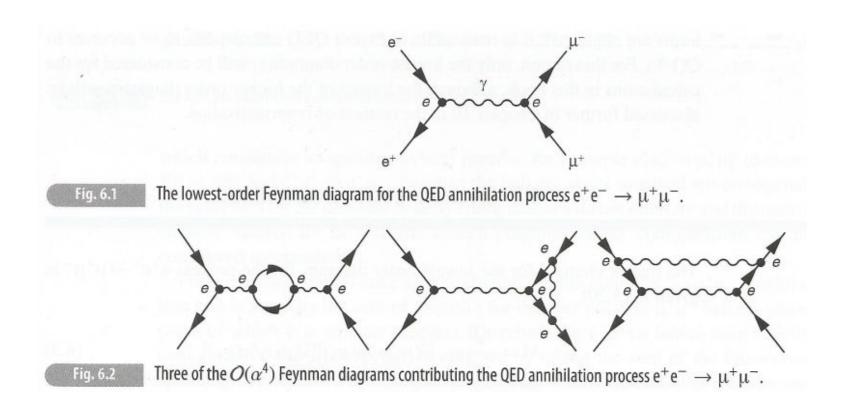
always 2 fermions and 1 boson

- mixes generations for quarks
- specific helicity structure



## Leading order and high order diagrams

When collision of particles happen, several kind of Feynman diagrams might appear



All of these diagrams contribute to the total amplitude of the process to happen!

But the more vertices, the lower is the contribution to the total amplitude (given couplings are 1).

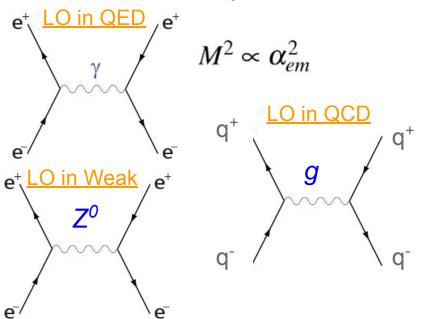
Clara Leitgeb | Introduction to the Standard Model | DESY Summer student program | 11.08-13.08.2025 | Page 48

## Leading order and high order diagrams

When collision of particles happen, several kind of Feynman diagrams might appear

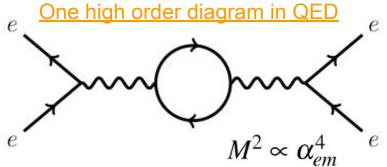
#### Leading order (LO) diagrams

Diagrams with less number of vertices possible to allow the interaction by a certain force

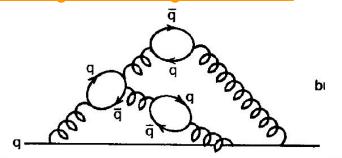


## Higher order (NLO, NNLO,...)

Diagrams with larger number of vertices



One high order diagram in QCD



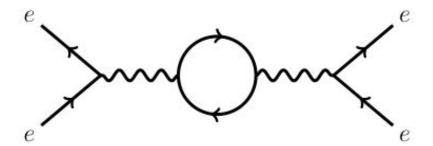
All of these diagrams contribute to the total amplitude of the process to happen!

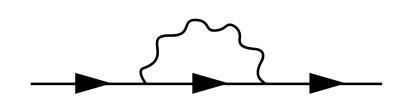
But the more vertices, the lower is the contribution to the total amplitude (given couplings are

> When calculating the contribution of certain Feynman diagrams to the cross-section of an interaction, divergences (infinities) appear.

According to the laws of statistics, we have to integrate over all possibilities.

→ We have to integrate over all possible momenta the virtual particles in loops → Infinity!



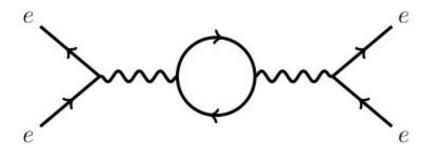


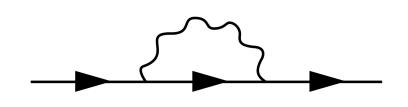
Loop diagrams etc: correction to the interaction coupling (i.e.  $g_{EM}$ )

Self-interaction: correction to the mass of the particle



Regularization and renormalization
Absorb divergences into definition of the physical quantities → Valid up to a certain scale.



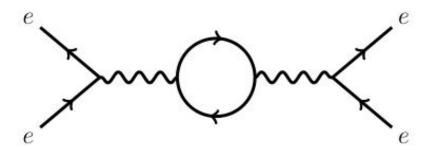


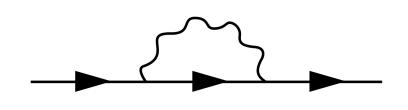
Loop diagrams etc: correction to the interaction coupling (i.e.  $g_{EM}$ )  $\rightarrow$  Effective coupling

Self-interaction: correction to the mass of the particle → Effective mass



Regularization and renormalization
Absorb divergences into definition of the physical quantities → Valid up to a certain scale.





Loop diagrams etc: correction to the interaction coupling (i.e.  $g_{EM}$ )  $\rightarrow$  Effective coupling

Self-interaction: correction to the mass of the particle → Effective mass

Message to take home: the observed mass and coupling strength in an interaction depends on the energy exchanged in the interaction

# Backup

## 0) Introduction: SM – A theory of everything?

- >Predictions based on theory found to be experimentally valid, some up to level of 10<sup>-6</sup>
- Many experimental findings could be well incorporated into theory

#### SM does not explain everything:

- >Gravity. The standard model does not explain gravity. "Graviton" neither discovered nor does it fit cosmological observations / general relativity.
- ➤ Dark matter and dark energy. Standard model describes only 5% of the matter of the universe. Dark matter (25%) and dark energy (70%) [from cosmological observations and general relativity] unexplained no candidates for dark matter in the standard model
- Neutrino masses and oscillations not explained by SM
- ➤ Matter-antimatter asymmetry. SM unable to explain, how and/or why matter dominates over anti-matter in our universe, there is a mechanism included but the effect is much too small Clara Leitgeb | Introduction to the Standard Model | DESY Summer student program | 11.08-13.08.2025 | Page 54

## 0) Introduction: SM – the ugly

- Some parts of the SM are added "ad-hoc" or "by hand" this means a certain parameter or mechanism needs to be postulated not in contradiction to any observations and theoretically valid, but still not "satisfying" aesthetically
- Number of SM parameters. Standard model depends on 19 numerical parameters. Their values are known from experiment, but the origin of the values is unknown.
- >Hierarchy problem. Fine tuning of Higgs mass versus quantum corrections over several orders of magnitude. (e.g. cancellation of the size ~10<sup>16</sup>) [see later!]
- >Strong CP problem. Theoretically, the SM should contain a term that breaks CP symmetry - relating matter to antimatter – in QCD. Experimentally, however, no such violation has been found, implying that the coefficient of this term is very close to zero → unnatural.

  >Aim of the lecture: Understand better how SM was established

# 0) Feynman diagrams: example of eμ scattering

consider as an example 
$$e^-\mu^-$$
 scattering

 $j^{h}(e^{-})$ 
 $i^{h}(e^{-})$ 
 $i^{h}(e^{-})$ 

$$M^{\circ} = -j^{\circ}(e^{-}) \frac{1}{q^{2}} j_{r}(r^{-}) = -e^{2} \overline{u}(p_{e}) y^{m} u(p_{i}) \frac{1}{q^{2}} \overline{u}(k_{f}) y_{n} u(k_{i})$$
Photon propagator

- >Average over spins in initial state, sum spins in final state
- >Replace outgoing e⁻ by backwards traveling e⁺ → amplitude for ee → μμ



# 0) Feynman diagrams: example of eμ scattering I

 $p_i = p, p_f = p'$ 

>Matrix element:

$$\overline{|\mathfrak{M}|^2} = \frac{e^4}{q^4} L_e^{\mu\nu} L_{\mu\nu}^{\text{muon}}$$

>Need to sum over spins

$$L_e^{\mu\nu} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \sum_{(e \text{ spins})} \left[ \bar{u}(k') \gamma^{\mu} u(k) \right] \left[ \bar{u}(k') \gamma^{\nu} u(k) \right] *$$

Use "Completeness relation"

$$L_e^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\sum_{s'} \overline{u}_{\alpha}^{(s')}(k') \gamma_{\alpha\beta}^{\mu} \sum_{s} u_{\beta}^{(s)}(k) \overline{u}_{\gamma}^{(s)}(k) \gamma_{\gamma\delta}^{\nu} u_{\delta}^{(s')}(k')}_{(k'+m)_{\delta\alpha}} \underbrace{(k+m)_{\beta\gamma}}_{s}$$

>Further math

$$\overline{|\mathfrak{II}|^2} = \frac{8e^4}{q^4} \left[ (k' \cdot p')(k \cdot p) + (k' \cdot p)(k \cdot p') - m^2 p' \cdot p - M^2 k' \cdot k + 2m^2 M^2 \right]$$



# 0) Feynman diagrams: example of eμ scattering I

Neglecting masses, using "Mandelstam variable"

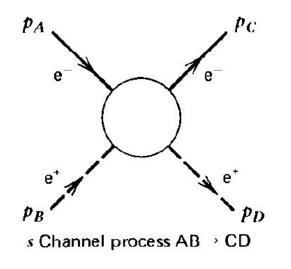
$$s \equiv (k+p)^2 \approx 2k \cdot p \approx 2k' \cdot p',$$
  

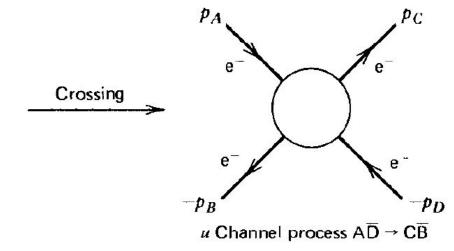
$$t \equiv (k-k')^2 \approx -2k \cdot k' \approx -2p \cdot p',$$
  

$$u \equiv (k-p')^2 \approx -2k \cdot p' \approx 2k' \cdot p.$$

$$\overline{|\mathfrak{I}|^2} = 2e^4 \frac{s^2 + u^2}{t^2}$$

$$\overline{|\mathfrak{M}|^2} = 2e^4 \frac{t^2 + u^2}{s^2}$$





# 0) Feynman diagrams: example of eμ scattering I

>Measurements:

Cross section = 
$$\frac{W_{fi}}{\text{(initial flux)}}$$
 (number of final states)

Need to integrate over full solid angle here and momenta



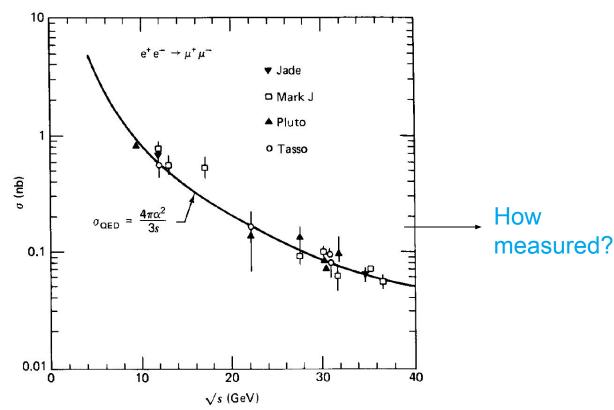


Fig. 6.6 The total cross section for  $e^-e^+ \rightarrow \mu^-\mu^+$  measured at PETRA versus the center-of-mass energy.



#### How to measure a cross section

very generally:

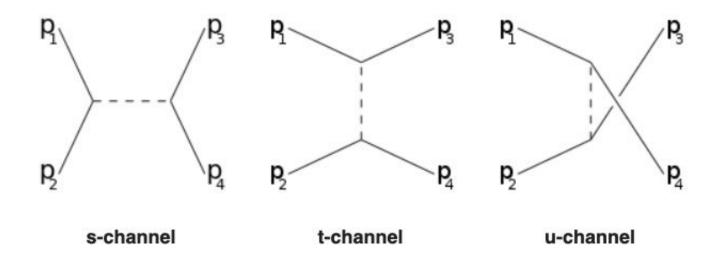
$$N_{\text{evt}} = \sigma \int L \, dt \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sigma = \frac{N_{\text{evt}}}{\int L \, dt} \quad \text{and} \quad L = \frac{n f \, N_1 \, N_2}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} \quad \text{for a collider}$$

- in practice:
  - selected events contain background N<sub>Bkg</sub>
  - detectors are not perfect, but have an efficiency ε
  - events are only measured in a specific decay channel with a branching ratio BR

$$\sigma = \frac{(N_{\text{evt}} - N_{\text{Bkg}})}{\epsilon BR \int L dt}$$



## **Channels and Mandelstam variables**

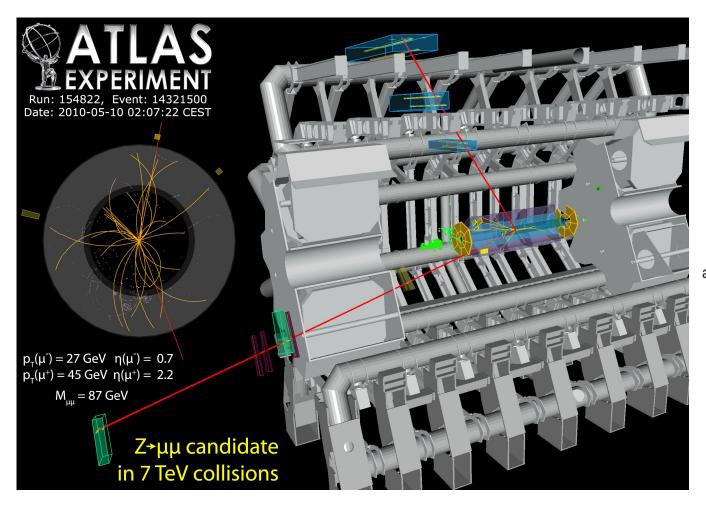


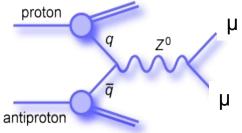
#### Mandelstam variables

$$egin{aligned} s &= (p_1 + p_2)^2 = (p_3 + p_4)^2 \ t &= (p_1 - p_3)^2 = (p_4 - p_2)^2 \ u &= (p_1 - p_4)^2 = (p_3 - p_2)^2 \end{aligned}$$



## How to measure a cross section

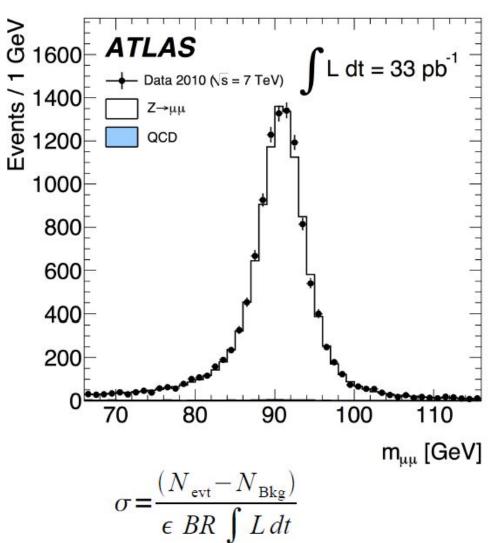






#### How to measure a cross section

- (simple) example:
  - $Z^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  from ATLAS
- identify muons in the detector, select events with at least 2 muons of opposite charge, calculate the invariant mass, fill the mass into a histogram
- determine how much background
  - use the prediction from a MC simulation (works if background is well known)
  - fit a function of the form f(m) = signal(m) + bkg(m)to the data (works if expected shapes are known)



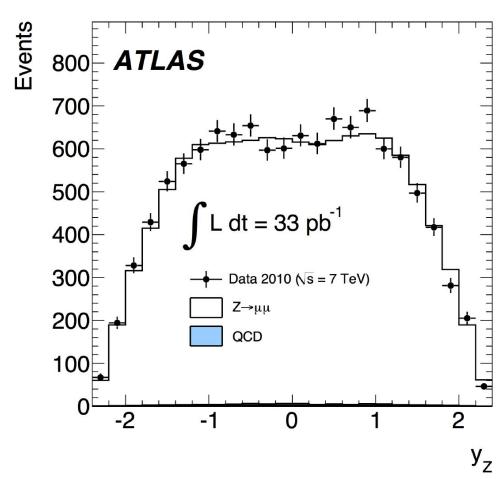
$$\sigma = \frac{(N_{\text{evt}} - N_{\text{Bkg}})}{\epsilon BR \int L \, dt}$$



#### How to measure a differential cross section

- quite often more can be learned by the dependence of the cross section on some quantities
- determine the number of signal (and background) events in bins of that quantity and fill it into a histogram (here: rapidity y)
- but now the number of events depends on the bin size!
- take bin size into account by measuring differential cross section

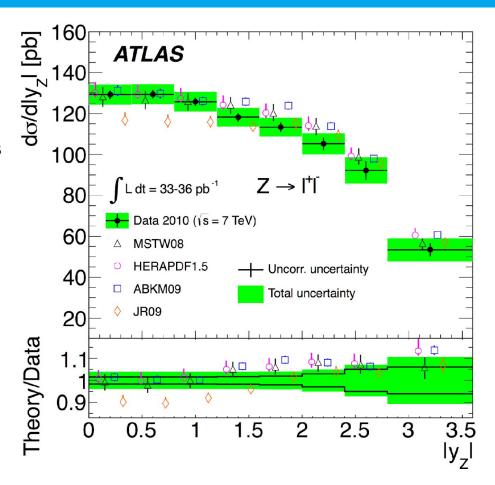
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dy} \approx \frac{\Delta\sigma}{\Delta y} = \frac{(N_{\text{evt}} - N_{\text{Bkg}})_{bin}}{\Delta y \epsilon BR \int L dt}$$





## **Theory comparions**

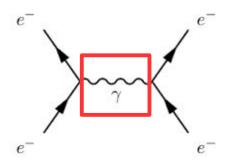
- differential cross section can be compared to theory predictions
  - can exclude predictions that describe the total cross section but differ in shape
- meaningful comparison only possible if uncertainties are known!
  - statistical uncertainties (from signal and background events!)
  - systematic uncertainties (efficiency, branching ratio, luminosity)
  - are there correlations between the bins? (e.g. uncertainty on luminosity shifts all data points the same way → correlated)





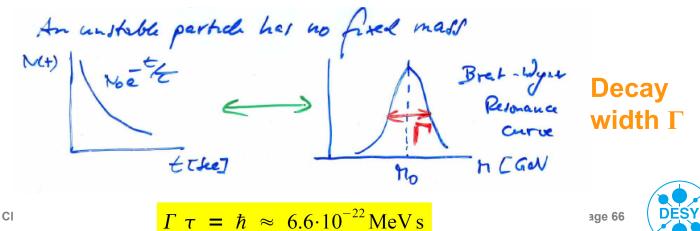
# 0) The Heisenberg principle

>Interaction carried by "force carrier"



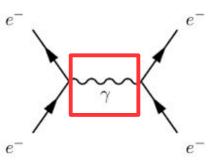
- >Heisenberg principle: limits the precision with which (certain) pairs of physical quantities can be determined
- >relation energy  $\leftrightarrow$  times:  $\Delta E \Delta t \geq \hbar \approx 6.6 \cdot 10^{-22} \,\mathrm{MeV \, s}$
- >since in a particle's rest frame the energy is given by the mass, this implies that only stable particles have an exact mass!

Life time  $\tau$ 



# 0) The Heisenberg principle II

Interaction carried by "force carrier"



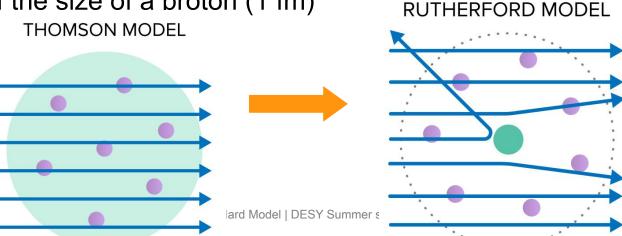
>relation momentum  $\leftrightarrow$  position:  $\Delta p \Delta x \geq \hbar c \approx 200 \,\mathrm{MeV \,fm}$ 

$$\Delta p \Delta x \geq \hbar c \approx 200 \,\text{MeV fm}$$

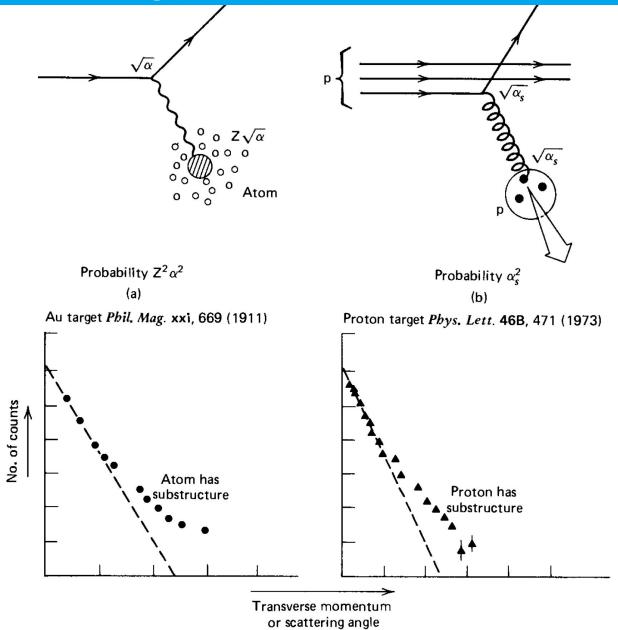
>Another possible application: the maximum possible momentum transfer in a reaction limits the size of structures you can resolve (what counts is the momentum transfer in the center-of-mass frame)

>Examples: you need a momentum transfer of 200 MeV to resolve

structures of the size of a proton (1 fm)



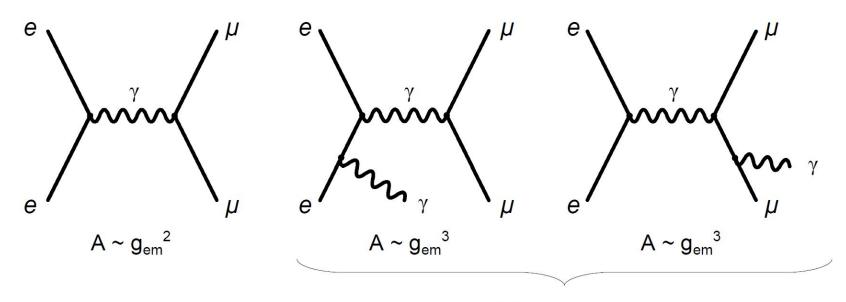
# 0) The Heisenberg principle III



(c)

## 1) Higher orders

- in principle, all possible Feynman diagrams contribute to a reaction
- practically, those with the smallest number of vertices are most relevant
- those with more vertices are referred to as "higher orders" since they correspond to terms with higher order in the coupling if you write the cross section as a perturbation series



higher orders

Initial state radiation

Final state radiation

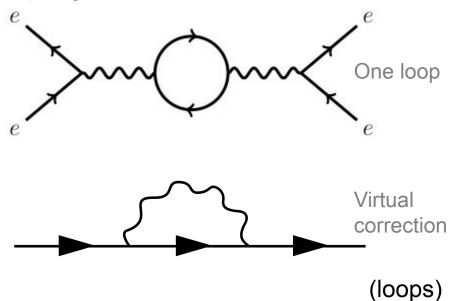


## **Loop diagrams**

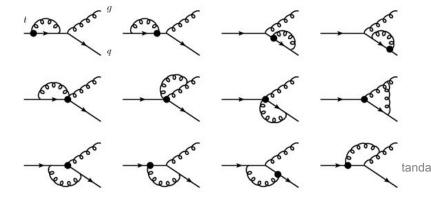
>Possible is also the occurrence of "virtual" particles in loops, corrections to particles mass and couplings

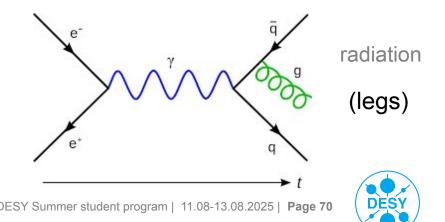
Need to be able to couple to propagator

?

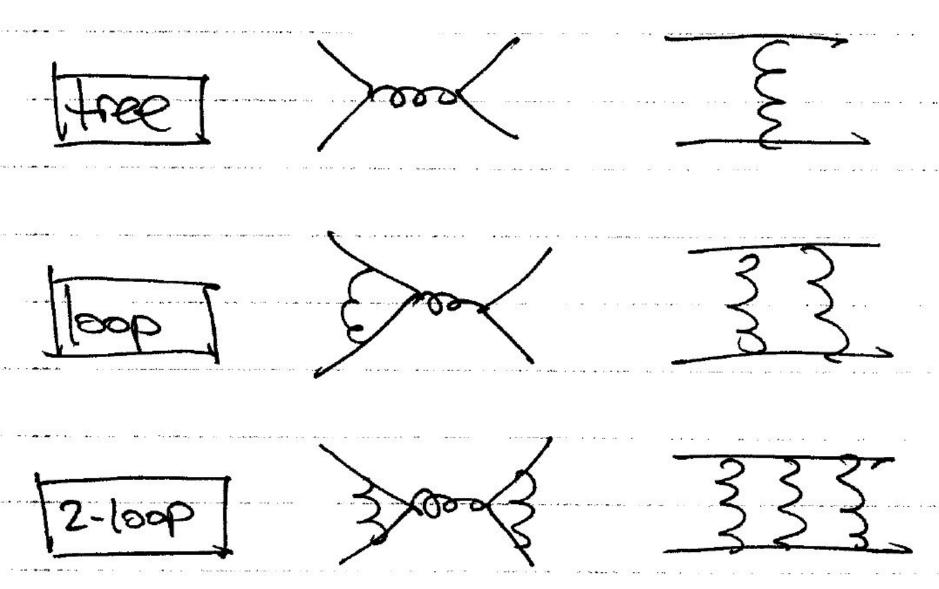


One loop correction to decay





# **Examples for Loop diagrams**



Note: not all diagrams in a row are equivalent to each other

## Let's go back to the properties of an interaction

### **Chirality**

Identical to helicity in the massless case but something more complicated

It tells how two separate components of a fermionic field change under Lorentz boost (space-time change) → Weyl spinors. Each fermion has a left-handed component and a right-handed one

Parity transformations change chirality General Lorentz transformation

$$S = \exp\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}i\boldsymbol{\sigma}\cdot\boldsymbol{\theta} - \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{\sigma}\cdot\boldsymbol{\phi} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2}i\boldsymbol{\sigma}\cdot\boldsymbol{\theta} + \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{\sigma}\cdot\boldsymbol{\phi} \end{bmatrix}$$

θ: angle in space rotations

Φ: boost (time and space rotation)

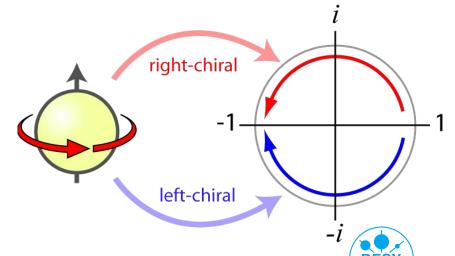
Spinor of fermion: 2 terms (Weyl spinor) with 2 components

$$\Psi = \begin{bmatrix} \psi_R \\ \psi_L \end{bmatrix} \qquad \psi_R' = \exp\left(\frac{1}{2}i\boldsymbol{\sigma}\cdot\boldsymbol{\theta} - \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{\sigma}\cdot\boldsymbol{\phi}\right)\psi_R$$

$$\psi_L' = \exp\left(\frac{1}{2}i\boldsymbol{\sigma}\cdot\boldsymbol{\theta} + \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{\sigma}\cdot\boldsymbol{\phi}\right)\psi_L$$

Mass terms in Lagrangian

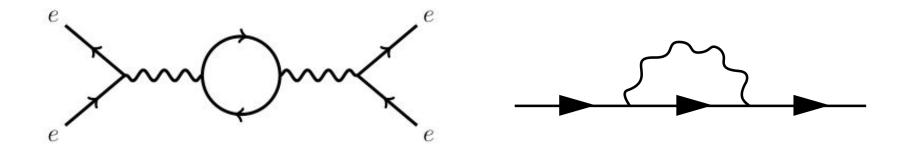
$$-m\bar{\Psi}\Psi = -m(\bar{e_L}e_R + \bar{e_R}e_L)$$



> When calculating the contribution of certain Feynman diagrams to the cross-section of an interaction, divergences (infinities) appear.

According to the laws of statistics, we have to integrate over all possibilities.

→ We have to integrate over all possible momenta the virtual particles in loops → Infinity!



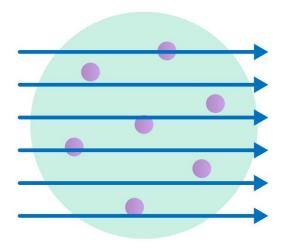
What does it mean when you have a virtual particle creation close to infinity? If you are just making a collision at LHC, is it true that the possibility of creating virtual particles with infinity momenta will affect you?

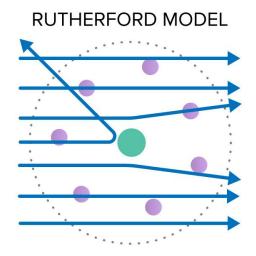


## Let's go back to the Heisenberg principle

$$\Delta p \Delta x \ge \hbar c \approx 200 \,\text{MeV fm}$$

THOMSON MODEL





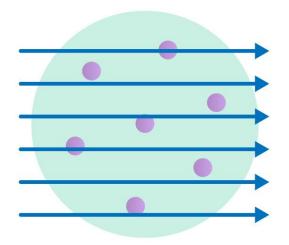
- > If I want to have a good resolution of the atom structure (1fm), at least the momentum transfer between the incoming particle and the atom has to be beyond 200 MeV.
- If I want a better resolution, momentum exchange has to be higher!

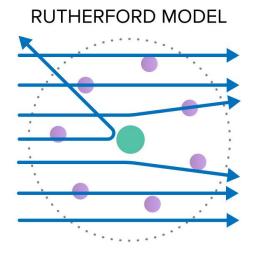


## Let's go back to the Heisenberg principle

$$\Delta p \Delta x \ge \hbar c \approx 200 \,\text{MeV fm}$$

THOMSON MODEL





- > Conversely, diagrams with virtual particles with very high momentum (energy) are diagrams that are happening in very short scales (times)
- >If my interaction is happening at momentum 200 GeV and therefore can structures and processes at x = 1 am

Can my measurements be affected by things happening at  $\Delta x \sim 0$ ?

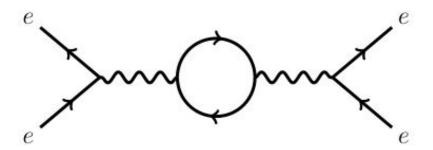
-> the assumption is that not ! → Energy cut-off ∧

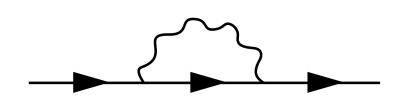


## **Effective couplings and masses**

Regularization and renormalization: the procedure on which I take these divergences and cut-offs and absorb them into definition of the physical quantities

Some of these infinities might cancel out due to symmetries or because similar contributions but opposite sign.





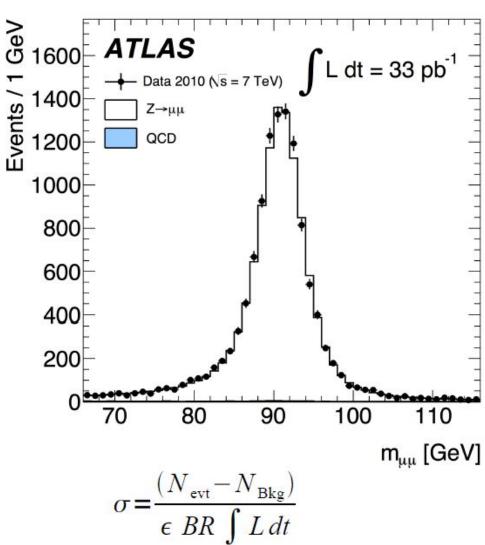
Loop diagrams etc: correction to the interaction coupling (i.e.  $g_{EM}$ )  $\rightarrow$  Effective coupling

Self-interaction: correction to the mass of the particle → Effective mass

Message to take home: the observed mass and coupling strength in an interaction depends on the energy exchanged in the interaction

#### How to measure a cross section

- (simple) example:
  - $Z^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  from ATLAS
- identify muons in the detector, select events with at least 2 muons of opposite charge, calculate the invariant mass, fill the mass into a histogram
- determine how much background
  - use the prediction from a MC simulation (works if background is well known)
  - fit a function of the form f(m) = signal(m) + bkg(m)to the data (works if expected shapes are known)



$$\sigma = \frac{(N_{\text{evt}} - N_{\text{Bkg}})}{\epsilon BR \int L \, dt}$$



## Feynman diagrams: example of eµ scattering

>Measurements:

Cross section = 
$$\frac{W_{fi}}{\text{(initial flux)}}$$
 (number of final states)

Need to integrate over full solid angle here and momenta



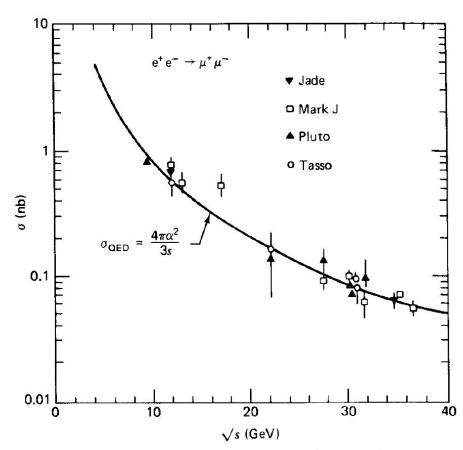
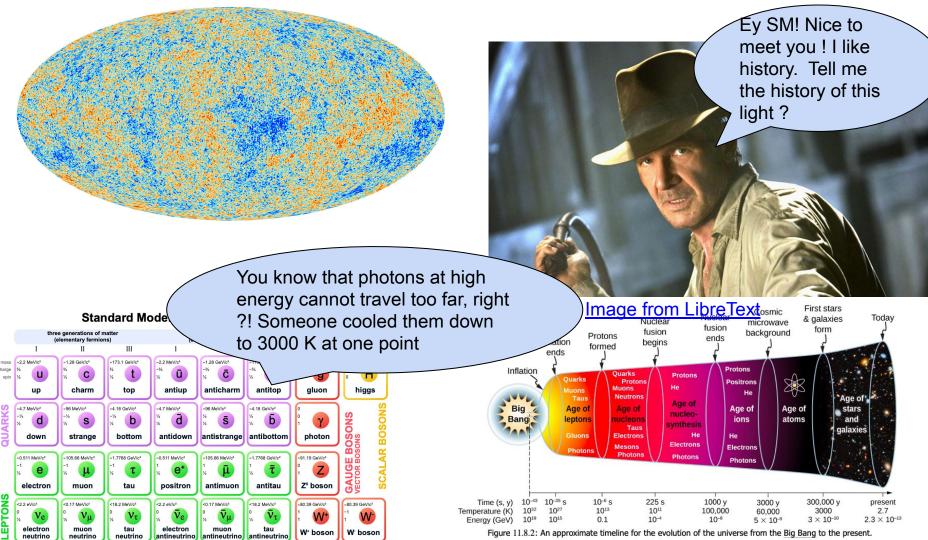


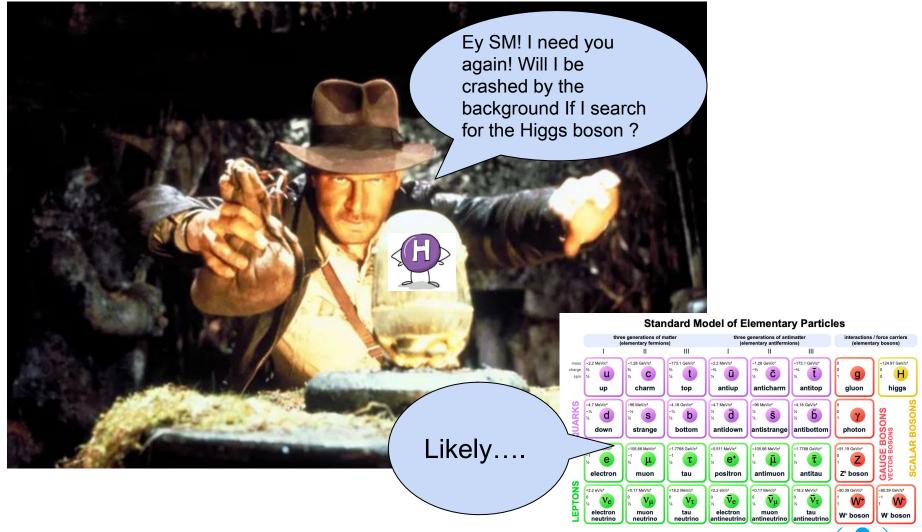
Fig. 6.6 The total cross section for  $e^-e^+ \rightarrow \mu^-\mu^+$  measured at PETRA versus the center-of-mass energy.



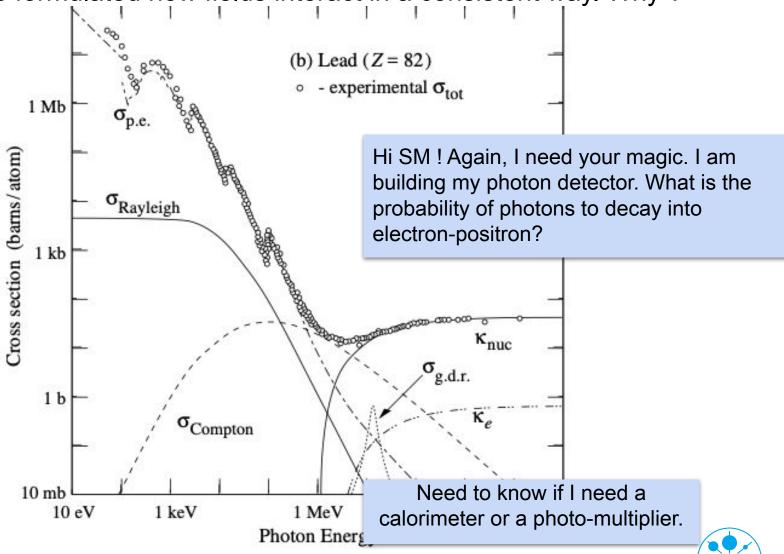
>We have formulated how fields interact in a consistent way. Why?



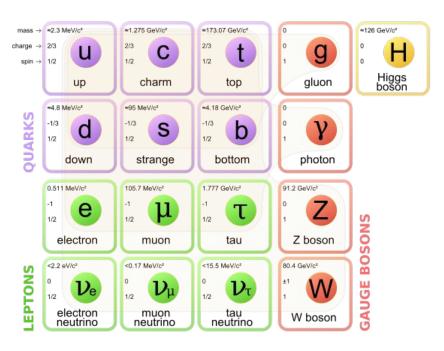
>We have formulated how fields interact in a consistent way. Why?



>We have formulated how fields interact in a consistent way. Why?



>We have formulated how fields interact in a consistent way. Now, what ?



Knowledge of what interactions we can expect from every particle.

Predictions + measurements of masses and couplings.

Predictions of how likely an interaction is to happen.

. . . . . . .

Deviations from the Standard Model predictions → New Physics!

New particles (DM..) or forces (super-QED?) → New Physics!

