

Particle physics: the flavour frontiers

Lecture 4: The Standard Model

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Short recap

Last time we discussed

- Examples and characteristics of non-Abelian symmetries (global and local) and how they give rise to vector boson self-interactions
- Mechanism of spontaneous symmetry breaking, generating masses of scalar, vector, and fermions fields

Today's learning targets

Today you will ...

- learn about the Standard Model of particle physics
 - obtain the spectrum of physically observable particles and the possible interactions
 - mass generation mechanism through Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking (SBB)
 - origin of flavour changing interactions in the SM

The Standard Model (SM)

- The Standard Model of particle physics accounts for the strong, weak, and electromagnetic interactions
- We will obtain its spectrum, interactions, accidental symmetries, and parameters

1. The symmetry is local

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

2. There are three fermion generations, each consisting of five different representations

$$Q_{Li}(3,2)_{+1/6}, \quad U_{Ri}(3,1)_{+2/3}, \quad D_{Ri}(3,1)_{-1/3}, \quad L_{Li}(1,2)_{-1/2}, \quad E_{Ri}(1,1)_{-1}, \quad i = 1,2,3$$

3. There is a single scalar multiplet

$$\phi(1,2)_{+1/2}$$

4. The pattern of spontaneous symmetry breaking (SBB) is

$$SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow SU(3)_C \times U(1)_{\text{EM}}$$

The Standard Model (SM)

quarks

$$Q_{Li}(3,2)_{+1/6}, \quad U_{Ri}(3,1)_{+2/3}, \quad D_{Ri}(3,1)_{-1/3},$$

leptons

$$L_{Li}(1,2)_{-1/2}, \quad E_{Ri}(1,1)_{-1}, \quad i = 1,2,3$$

Higgs field

$$\phi(1,2)_{+1/2}$$

- *Quarks*: triplets under $SU(3)_C$
- *Leptons*: singlets under $SU(3)_C$
- *Higgs field*: singlet under $SU(3)_C$
- The most general renormalizable Lagrangian with scalar and fermion fields is
$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} + \mathcal{L}_{\psi} + \mathcal{L}_{\phi} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}}$$
- No fermion terms are allowed $\mathcal{L}_{\psi} = 0$. Why?

\mathcal{L}_{kin}

- The SM group has 12 generators

- 8 L_a s that form the $SU(3)$ algebra

$$[L_a, L_b] = if_{abc}L_c$$

$$L_a = \frac{\lambda_a}{2} \text{ (Gell-Mann matrices)}$$

- 3 T_b s that form the $SU(2)$ algebra

$$[T_a, T_b] = i\epsilon_{abc}T_c$$

$$T_b = \frac{\sigma_b}{2} \text{ (Pauli matrices)}$$

- single Y that form the $U(1)$ algebra

$$[L_a, T_b] = [L_a, Y] = [T_b, Y] = 0$$

- The 12 generators correspond to 12 gauge boson degrees of freedom

$$G_a^\mu(8,1)_0, \quad W_a^{\mu\nu}(1,3)_0, \quad B^\mu(1,1)_0$$

- With the corresponding field strengths and covariant derivative

$$G_a^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu G_a^\nu - \partial^\nu G_a^\mu - g_s f_{abc} G_b^\mu G_c^\nu$$

$$W_a^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu W_a^\nu - \partial^\nu W_a^\mu - g \epsilon_{abc} W_b^\mu W_c^\nu$$

$$B^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu B_a^\nu - \partial^\nu B_a^\mu$$

$$D^\mu = \partial^\mu + ig_s G_a^\mu L_a + ig W_b^\mu T_b + ig' Y B^\mu$$

\mathcal{L}_{kin}

- Explicitly the covariant derivatives acting of the various scalar and fermion fields are:

$$D^\mu \phi = \left(\partial^\mu + \frac{i}{2} g W_b^\mu \sigma_b + \frac{i}{2} g' B^\mu \right) \phi$$

$$D^\mu Q_L = \left(\partial^\mu + \frac{i}{2} g_s G_a^\mu \lambda_a + \frac{i}{2} g W_b^\mu \sigma_b + \frac{i}{6} g' B^\mu \right) Q_L$$

$$D^\mu U_R = \left(\partial^\mu + \frac{i}{2} g_s G_a^\mu \lambda_a + \frac{2i}{3} g' B^\mu \right) U_R$$

$$D^\mu D_R = \left(\partial^\mu + \frac{i}{2} g_s G_a^\mu \lambda_a - \frac{i}{3} g' B^\mu \right) D_R$$

$$D^\mu L_L = \left(\partial^\mu + \frac{i}{2} g W_b^\mu \sigma_b - \frac{i}{2} g' B^\mu \right) L_L$$

$$D^\mu E_R = (\partial^\mu - i g' B^\mu) E_R$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} = & -\frac{1}{4} G_a^{\mu\nu} G_{a\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} W_b^{\mu\nu} W_{b\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} B^{\mu\nu} B_{\mu\nu} + i \overline{Q_{Li}} \gamma_\mu D^\mu Q_{Li} + i \overline{U_{Ri}} \gamma_\mu D^\mu U_{Ri} + \overline{D_{Ri}} \gamma_\mu D^\mu D_{Ri} + \\ & + i \overline{L_{Li}} \gamma_\mu D^\mu L_{Li} + i \overline{E_{Ri}} \gamma_\mu D^\mu E_{Ri} + (D^\mu \phi)^\dagger (D_\mu \phi) \end{aligned}$$

\mathcal{L}_ϕ and SSB

$$-\mathcal{L}_\phi = \lambda \left(\phi^\dagger \phi - \frac{v^2}{2} \right)^2, \quad v^2 = -\frac{\mu^2}{\lambda}, \quad \lambda > 0, \mu^2 < 0$$

- SSB pattern: $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow SU(3)_C \times U(1)_{EM}$
- ϕ is a singlet under $SU(3)_C$ subgroup, which remains unbroken
- The unbroken subgroup $U(1)_{EM}$ has a generator Q which is identified as $Q = Y + T_3$
- Useful to define $\tilde{\phi}_a = \epsilon_{ab} \phi_b^*$, which transforms as $(1,2)_{-1/2}$

$$\langle \phi \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \langle \tilde{\phi} \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} v/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\langle \phi \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + h(x) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \langle \tilde{\phi} \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} v + h(x) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

\mathcal{L}_{Yuk}

- The Yukawa part of the Lagrangian is given by

$$-\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}} = Y_{ij}^u \overline{Q_{Li}} U_{Rj} \tilde{\phi} + Y_{ij}^d \overline{Q_{Li}} D_{Rj} \phi + Y_{ij}^e \overline{L_{Li}} E_{Rj} \phi + \text{h.c}$$

- $i, j = 1, 2, 3$ represent flavour indexes
- Y_{ij}^u , Y_{ij}^d , and Y_{ij}^e are general complex 3×3 matrices of dimensionless couplings
- Note that the coupling of U_R involve $\tilde{\phi}$
- Fermions in the SM are chiral and charged under $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ and fermion masses can arise from the Yukawa interactions only as a result of SSB

Spectrum

- Scalars: one real scalar field, h , which is electromagnetically neutral ($q = 0$)
 - $m_h = \sqrt{2\lambda}v$
 - Experimentally: $m_h = 125.25 \pm 0.17$ GeV
- Vector bosons: three out of four generators spontaneously broken \rightarrow three out of the four bosons acquire masses

$$\mathcal{L}_{M_V} = (D^\mu \langle \phi \rangle)^\dagger (D_\mu \langle \phi \rangle)$$

$$D^\mu \langle \phi \rangle = \frac{i}{\sqrt{8}} (g W_a^\mu \sigma_a + g' B^\mu) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \frac{iv}{\sqrt{8}} \begin{pmatrix} g(W_1^\mu - iW_2^\mu) \\ -gW_3^\mu + g'B^\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{M_V} = \frac{v^2}{\sqrt{8}} (g(W_1 + iW_2)_\mu, -gW_{3\mu} + g'B_\mu) \begin{pmatrix} g(W_1^\mu - iW_2^\mu) \\ -gW_3^\mu + g'B^\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

Spectrum

- Vector bosons: three out of four generators spontaneously broken \rightarrow three out of the four bosons acquire masses
- We define the angle θ_W via $\tan\theta_W \equiv g'/g$
- Four gauge boson fields

real fields

complex field

$$W_\mu^\pm = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (W_1 \mp iW_2)_\mu, \quad Z_\mu^0 = \cos\theta_W W_{3\mu} - \sin\theta_W B_\mu, \quad A_\mu^0 = \sin\theta_W W_{3\mu} + \cos\theta_W B_\mu$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{M_V} = \frac{1}{4} g^2 v^2 W^{+\mu} W_\mu^- + \frac{1}{8} (g^2 + g'^2) v^2 Z^\mu Z_\mu$$

$$m_W^2 = \frac{1}{4} g^2 v^2, \quad m_Z^2 = \frac{1}{4} (g^2 + g'^2) v^2, \quad m_A^2 = 0$$

- Charges under the unbroken $U(1)_{\text{EM}}$ symmetry

$$q(W_\mu^+) = +1, \quad q(W_\mu^-) = -1, \quad q(Z_\mu^0) = q(A_\mu^0) = 0,$$

Spectrum

- Points worth emphasizing:
 - three vector bosons acquire masses
 - $m_A^2 = 0$ provides a consistency check
 - when a symmetry is partially broken, mass eigenstates can be a linear combination of states from different representations as long as they transform in the same way under the unbroken symmetry
 - the angle θ_W represents a rotation angle from the interaction basis to the mass basis
- SSB leads to relations between observables that would have been independent in the absence of symmetry

$$\frac{m_W^2}{m_Z^2} = \frac{g^2}{g^2 + g'^2}$$

$$m_W = 80.377 \pm 0.012 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_Z = 91.1876 \pm 0.0021 \text{ GeV}$$

- This relation is testable by measuring the masses of the bosons and their couplings and can be expressed as

$$\rho \equiv \frac{m_W^2}{m_Z^2 \cos^2 \theta_W} = 1$$

Spectrum

- Fermions: the terms that lead to the quark and lepton masses can arise only from the Yukawa part of \mathcal{L}

$$-\mathcal{L}_{M_f} = Y_{ij}^u \overline{Q}_{Li} U_{Rj} \langle \tilde{\phi} \rangle + Y_{ij}^d \overline{Q}_{Li} D_{Rj} \langle \phi \rangle + Y_{ij}^e \overline{L}_{Li} E_{Rj} \langle \phi \rangle + \text{h.c.}$$

$$Q_L^i = \begin{pmatrix} U_L^i \\ D_L^i \end{pmatrix}, \quad L_L^i = \begin{pmatrix} N_L^i \\ E_L^i \end{pmatrix}, \quad U_R^i, \quad D_R^i, \quad E_R^i$$

- The quark and lepton eigenstates are in a generic basis
- The various states have well-defined charges under the unbroken $U(1)_{\text{EM}}$ symmetry
 - U_L^i have $T_3 = +1/2$ and $Y = +1/6$, while U_R^i have $T_3 = 0$ and $Y = +2/3$ leading to: $q(U_L^i) = q(U_R^i) = +2/3$
 - D_L^i have $T_3 = -1/2$ and $Y = +1/6$, while D_R^i have $T_3 = 0$ and $Y = -1/3$ leading to: $q(U_L^i) = q(U_R^i) = -1/3$
 - E_L^i have $T_3 = -1/2$ and $Y = -1/2$, while U_R^i have $T_3 = 0$ and $Y = -1$ leading to: $q(E_L^i) = q(E_R^i) = -1$
 - N_L^i have $T_3 = +1/2$ and $Y = -1/2$, hence they are neutral under the unbroken symmetry: $q(N_L^i) = 0$
- If $SU(2) \times U(1)_Y$ was exact: no way of distinguishing particles members of the same multiplet (we can after SSB)

Spectrum

- Let's focus on the quarks

$$-\mathcal{L}_{M_q} = \frac{Y_{ij}^u v}{\sqrt{2}} \overline{U}_{Li} U_{Rj} + \frac{Y_{ij}^d v}{\sqrt{2}} \overline{D}_{Li} D_{Rj} + \text{h.c.}$$

- Without loss of generality we can use a bi-unitary transformation to diagonalize the Yukawa matrices

$$Y^u \rightarrow \hat{Y}^u = V_{uL} Y^u V_{uR}^\dagger$$

- and transform the basis into one where \hat{Y}^u is diagonal and real

$$\hat{Y}^u = \begin{pmatrix} y_u & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & y_c & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & y_t \end{pmatrix}$$

- This is the mass basis for up-type quarks $y_u < y_c < y_t$

$$Q_{Lu} = \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_{uL} \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q_{Lc} = \begin{pmatrix} c_L \\ d_{cL} \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q_{Lt} = \begin{pmatrix} t_L \\ d_{tL} \end{pmatrix}, \quad u_R, \quad c_R, \quad t_R$$

Spectrum

- Let's focus on the quarks

$$-\mathcal{L}_{M_u} = \frac{y_u v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{u}_L u_R + \frac{y_c v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{c}_L c_R + \frac{y_t v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{t}_L t_R + \text{h.c.}$$

- We conclude that the up-type quarks u , c , and t are Dirac fermions with masses

$$m_u = \frac{y_u v}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad m_c = \frac{y_c v}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad m_t = \frac{y_t v}{\sqrt{2}}$$

- Let's use another bi-unitary transformation

$$Y^d \rightarrow \hat{Y}^d = V_{dL} Y^d V_{dR}^\dagger$$

$$\hat{Y}^d = \begin{pmatrix} y_d & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & y_s & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & y_b \end{pmatrix}$$

- This is the mass basis for down-type quarks $y_d < y_s < y_b$

$$Q_{Ld} = \begin{pmatrix} u_{dL} \\ d_L \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q_{Lc} = \begin{pmatrix} c_{dL} \\ s_L \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q_{Lt} = \begin{pmatrix} u_{bL} \\ b_L \end{pmatrix}, \quad d_R, \quad s_R, \quad b_R$$

Spectrum

$$-\mathcal{L}_{M_u} = \frac{y_u v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{u}_L u_R + \frac{y_c v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{c}_L c_R + \frac{y_t v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{t}_L t_R + \text{h.c.}$$

$$m_u = \frac{y_u v}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad m_c = \frac{y_c v}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad m_t = \frac{y_t v}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$-\mathcal{L}_{M_d} = \frac{y_d v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{d}_L d_R + \frac{y_s v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{s}_L s_R + \frac{y_b v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{b}_L b_R + \text{h.c.}$$

$$m_d = \frac{y_d v}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad m_s = \frac{y_s v}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad m_b = \frac{y_b v}{\sqrt{2}}$$

- All charged fermions acquire Dirac masses as a result of the SSB!
- **Key point:** the charged fermions are in chiral representation of the full $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ gauge group but they are in vector like representation of the broken $SU(3)_C \times U(1)_{EM}$ group

Spectrum

- **Key point:** the charged fermions are in chiral representation of the full $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ gauge group but they are in vector like representation of the broken $SU(3)_C \times U(1)_{EM}$ group
 - left-handed and right-handed charged lepton fields e, μ, τ are in the $(1)_{-1}$ representation
 - left-handed and right-handed up-type quark fields u, c, t are in the $(3)_{+2/3}$ representation
 - left-handed and right-handed down-type quark fields d, s, b are in the $(3)_{-1/3}$ representation
 - neutrinos remain massless $m_{\nu_e} = m_{\nu_\mu} = m_{\nu_\tau} = 0$
- Experimentally the values of the charged fermion masses are

$$m_e = 0.51099895000(15) \text{ MeV}, \quad m_\mu = 105.6583755(23) \text{ MeV}, \quad m_\tau = 1776.86(12) \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_u = 2.2^{+0.5}_{-0.3} \text{ MeV}, \quad m_c = 1.27 \pm 0.02 \text{ GeV}, \quad m_t = 172.7 \pm 0.3 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_d = 4.7^{+0.5}_{-0.2} \text{ MeV}, \quad m_s = 93^{+9}_{-3} \text{ MeV}, \quad m_b = 4.18^{+0.03}_{-0.02} \text{ GeV}$$

The issue of how quark masses are defined and extracted is complicated by the fact that QCD is confining

The CKM matrix

- Important difference between the quark and lepton spectrum
 - for the leptons there exist a basis that is simultaneously an interaction and a mass basis for both the charged and neutral leptons
 - for the quarks there is no interaction basis that is also a mass basis for both up- and down-type quarks
- We denote $u^i = (u, c, t)$ and $d^i = (d, s, b)$ and write the relation of the mass eigenstates to the interaction eigenstates

$$u_L^i = (V_{uL})_{ij} U_L^j, \quad u_R^i = (V_{uR})_{ij} U_R^j, \quad d_L^i = (V_{dL})_{ij} D_L^j, \quad d_R^i = (V_{dR})_{ij} D_R^j$$

$$V_{uL} \neq V_{dL}$$

different bases

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \nearrow -\mathcal{L}_{M_u} = \frac{y_u v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{u}_L u_R + \frac{y_c v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{c}_L c_R + \frac{y_t v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{t}_L t_R + \text{h.c} & Y^u = \hat{Y}^u, & Y^d = V \hat{Y}^d \\
 & \searrow -\mathcal{L}_{M_d} = \frac{y_d v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{d}_L d_R + \frac{y_s v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{s}_L s_R + \frac{y_b v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{b}_L b_R + \text{h.c} & Y^d = \hat{Y}^d, & Y^u = V^\dagger \hat{Y}^u
 \end{aligned}$$

The CKM matrix

- The four matrices V_{uL} , V_{uR} , V_{dL} , and V_{dR} depend on the basis from which we start the diagonalization
- The combination $V = V_{uL}V_{dL}^\dagger$ does not \Rightarrow **indication that V is physical!**
- The V matrix is called the Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa (CKM) matrix

$$u_L^i = (V_{uL})_{ij}U_L^j, \quad u_R^i = (V_{uR})_{ij}U_R^j, \quad d_L^i = (V_{dL})_{ij}D_L^j, \quad d_R^i = (V_{dR})_{ij}D_R^j$$

$$V_{uL} \neq V_{dL}$$

different bases

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$$Y^u = \hat{Y}^u, \quad Y^d = V \hat{Y}^d$$

$$-\mathcal{L}_{M_d} = \frac{y_d v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{d}_L d_R + \frac{y_s v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{s}_L s_R + \frac{y_b v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{b}_L b_R + \text{h.c.}$$

$$Y^d = \hat{Y}^d, \quad Y^u = V^\dagger \hat{Y}^u$$

Particles (mass eigenstates)

particle	spin	color	Q	mass [v]
W^\pm	1	(1)	± 1	$\frac{1}{2}g$
Z^0	1	(1)	0	$\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}$
γ	1	(1)	0	0
g	1	(8)	0	0
h	0	(1)	0	$\sqrt{2\lambda}$
e, μ, τ	1/2	(1)	-1	$y_{e,\mu,\tau}/\sqrt{2}$
ν_e, ν_μ, ν_τ	1/2	(1)	0	0
u, c, t	1/2	(3)	+2/3	$y_{u,c,t}/\sqrt{2}$
d, s, b	1/2	(3)	-1/3	$y_{d,s,b}/\sqrt{2}$

- Mass eigenstates of the Standard Model, their $SU(3) \times U(1)_{\text{EM}}$ quantum numbers, and their masses in units of the VEV v
- All masses are proportional to the VEV of the scalar field, $v \rightarrow$ result of SSB

Electromagnetic (QED) and Strong (QCD) interactions

- Photon-mediated electromagnetic interaction are described by Quantum Electro-Dynamics (QED), part of the SM
- We get the following Lagrangian terms for the interaction of the photon field with the SM Dirac fermions

$$\mathcal{L}_{Af\bar{f}} = e\bar{e}_i\gamma^\mu A_\mu e_i - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)e\bar{u}_i\gamma^\mu A_\mu u_i + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)e\bar{d}_i\gamma^\mu A_\mu d_i$$

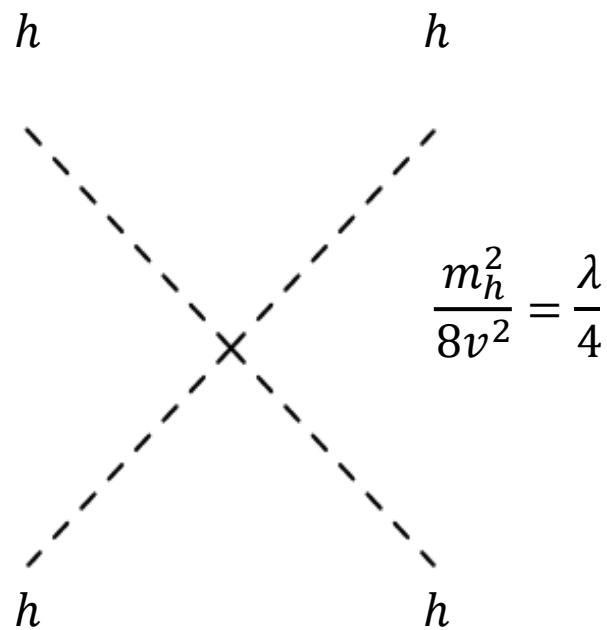
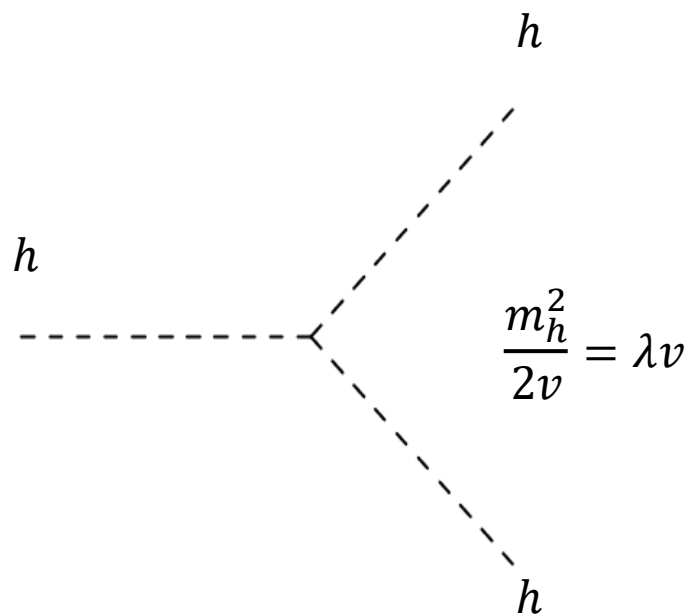
- The gluon-mediated strong interactions are described by QCD, which is part of the SM
- We get the following Lagrangian terms for the interaction of the gluon field with the SM quarks

$$\mathcal{L}_{Gq\bar{q}} = -g_s\bar{q}_i\gamma^\mu G_{a\mu} \left(\frac{\lambda_a}{2}\right) q_i$$

The Higgs Boson interactions

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^h = \mathcal{L}_h^h + \mathcal{L}_V^h + \mathcal{L}_f^h$$

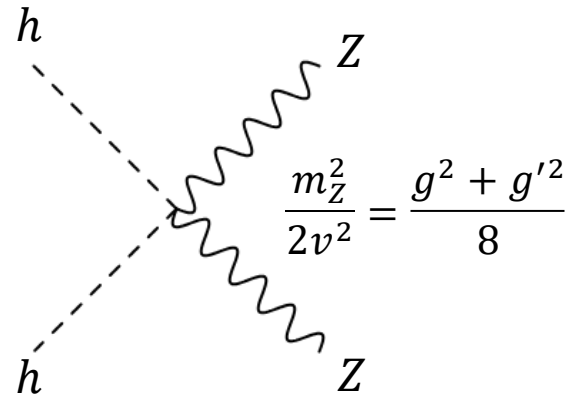
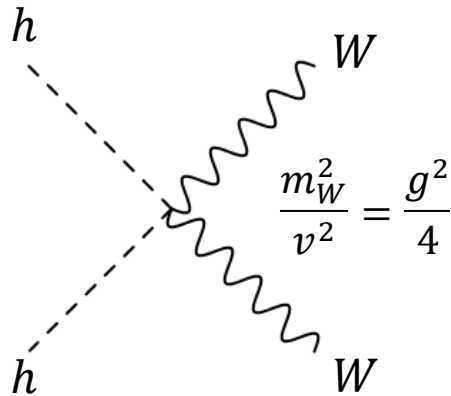
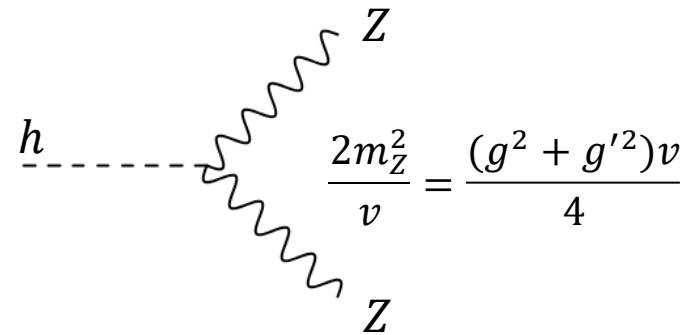
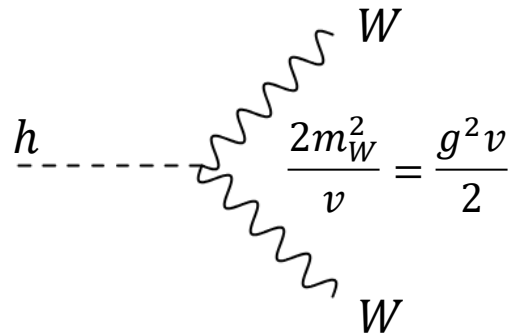
$$-\mathcal{L}_h^h = \frac{m_h^2}{2v} h^3 + \frac{m_h^2}{8v^2} h^4$$



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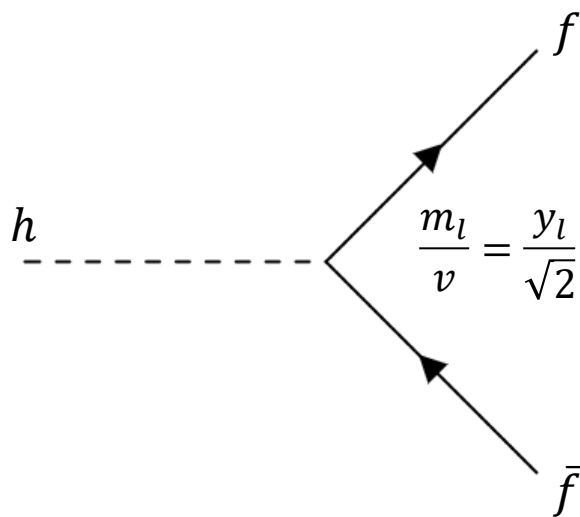
$$-\mathcal{L}_V^h = \left(\frac{2h}{v} + \frac{h^2}{v^2} \right) \left(m_W^2 W_\mu^- W^{\mu+} + \frac{1}{2} m_Z^2 Z_\mu Z^\mu \right)$$



The Higgs Boson interactions

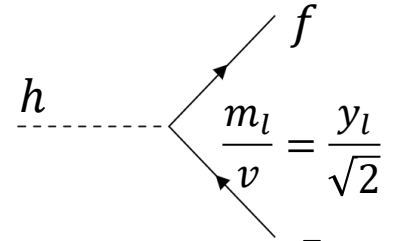
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$$-\mathcal{L}_f^h = \frac{h}{v} (m_e \bar{e}_L e_R + m_\mu \bar{\mu}_L \mu_R + m_\tau \bar{\tau}_L \tau_R + m_u \bar{u}_L u_R + m_c \bar{c}_L c_R + m_t \bar{t}_L t_R + m_d \bar{d}_L d_R + m_s \bar{s}_L s_R + m_b \bar{b}_L b_R + \text{h.c.})$$



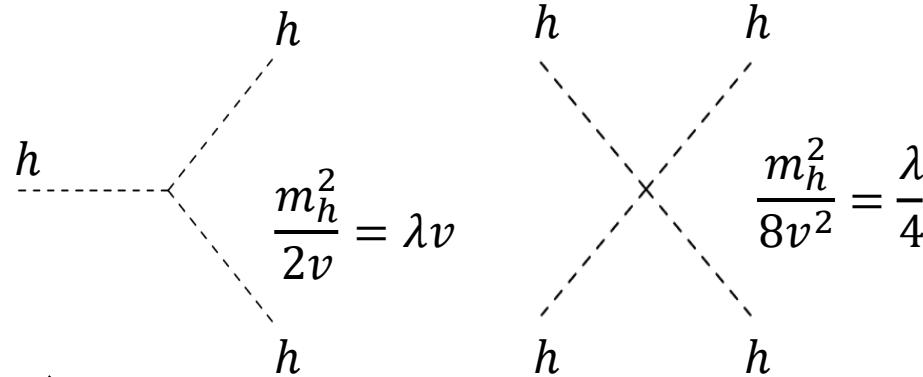
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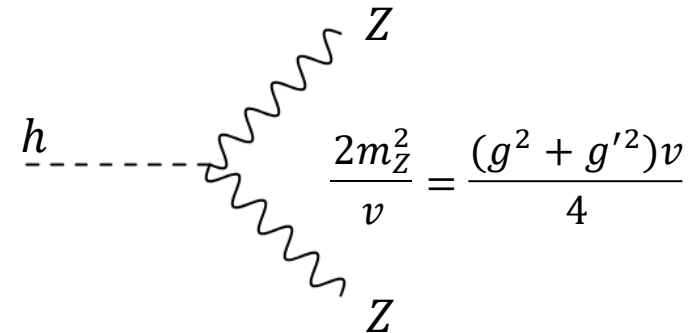
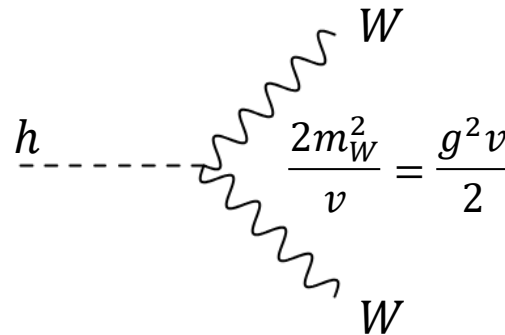
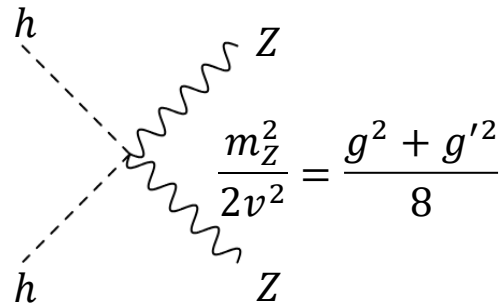
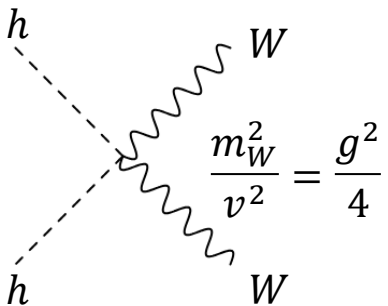


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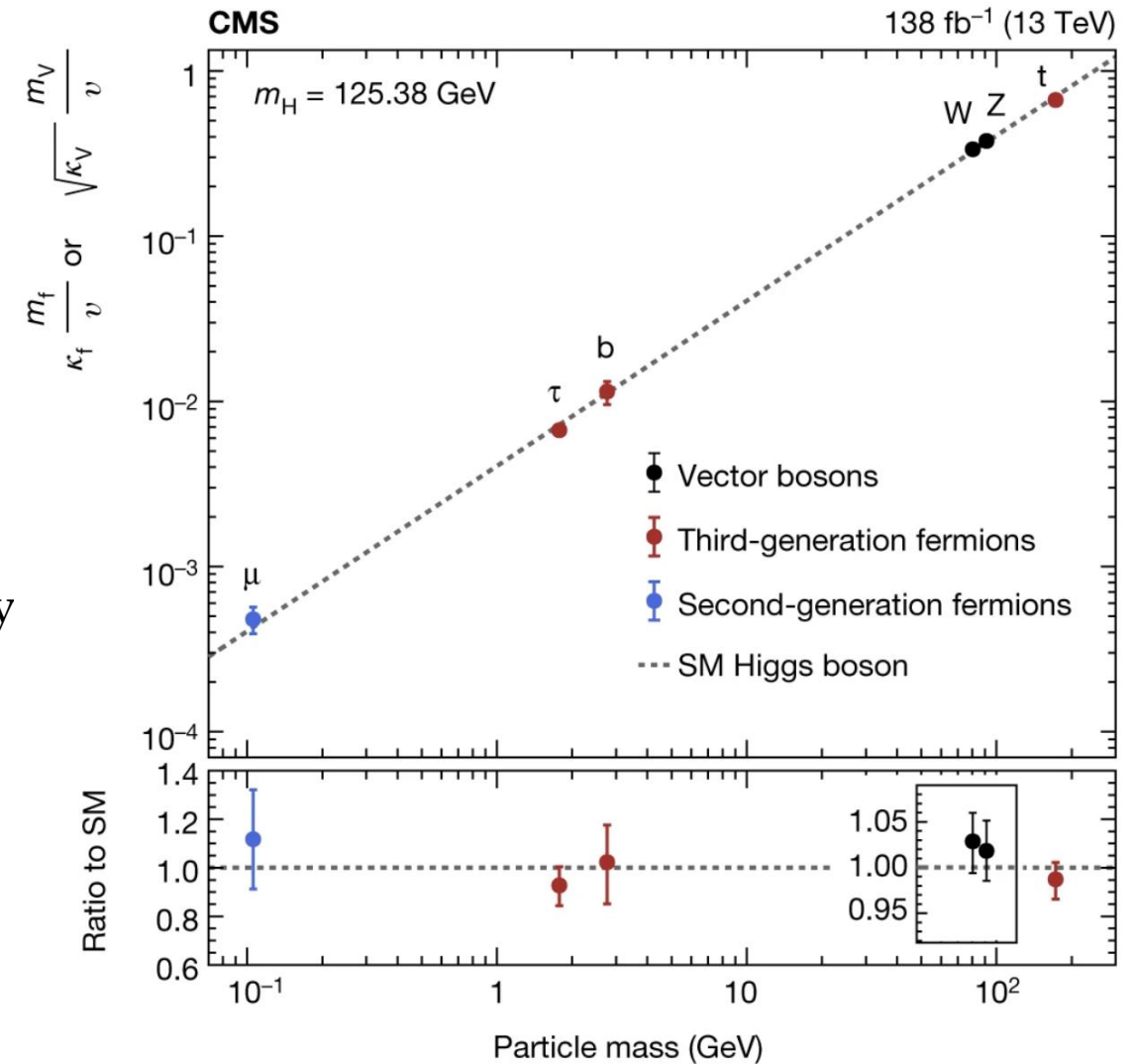
$$-\mathcal{L}_V^h = \left(\frac{2h}{v} + \frac{h^2}{v^2} \right) \left(m_W^2 W_\mu^- W^{\mu+} + \frac{1}{2} m_Z^2 Z_\mu Z^\mu \right)$$



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The Higgs Boson interactions

- Higgs decays are proportional to the mass of the particle to which it couples
- The Higgs decay is dominated by the heaviest particle that can be pair-produced in the decay
- Decays to $t\bar{t}, \gamma\gamma, gg$ are not possible at tree level and can only happen via loops
- Not all Higgs decays are experimentally established
 - at present only $(\mu^+\mu^-, 3\sigma \text{ so far}), \tau^+\tau^-, b\bar{b}, ZZ^*, WW^*, \gamma\gamma$ are established with rates consistent with the SM predictions



$$BR_{b\bar{b}} : BR_{WW^*} : BR_{gg} : BR_{\tau^+\tau^-} : BR_{ZZ^*} : BR_{c\bar{c}} = 0.58 : 0.21 : 0.09 : 0.06 : 0.03 : 0.03$$

WW^* and ZZ^* are decays with one boson on-shell and the other off-shell

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Important features of neutral-current weak interactions (NCWI):

- Z boson couples to neutrinos
- *Parity violation*: Z boson couplings are chiral (LH and RH fields carry different T_3 , Z couples to them differently)
- *Diagonality*: the Z boson couple for example to e^+e^- , $\mu^+\mu^-$, $\bar{\nu}_{\tau L}\nu_{\tau L}$, $\bar{\nu}_{\mu L}\nu_{\mu L}$ but not to $e^\pm\mu^\mp$, $\bar{\nu}_{\mu L}\nu_{\tau L}$ pairs
- *Universality*: the couplings of the Z boson to the different generations are universal

Neutral current weak interactions

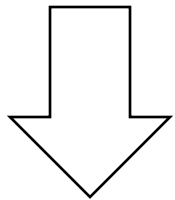
Predictions (omitting common
and phase space factors)

$$\Gamma(Z \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}) \propto 1$$

$$\Gamma(Z \rightarrow l\bar{l}) \propto 1 - 4s_W^2 - 8s_W^4$$

$$\Gamma(Z \rightarrow u\bar{u}) \propto 3 \left(1 - \frac{8}{3}s_W^2 - \frac{32}{9}s_W^4 \right)$$

$$\Gamma(Z \rightarrow d\bar{d}) \propto 3 \left(1 - \frac{4}{3}s_W^2 - \frac{8}{9}s_W^4 \right)$$



$$s_W^2 = 0.225$$

$$\Gamma_\nu : \Gamma_l : \Gamma_u : \Gamma_d = 1 : 0.51 : 1.74 : 2.24$$

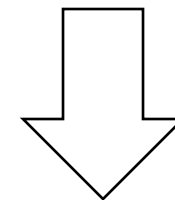
Experimental values

$$BR(Z \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}) = (6.67 \pm 0.02)\%$$

$$BR(Z \rightarrow l\bar{l}) = (3.366 \pm 0.002)\%$$

$$BR(Z \rightarrow u\bar{u}) = (11.6 \pm 0.6)\%$$

$$BR(Z \rightarrow d\bar{d}) = (15.6 \pm 0.4)\%$$



$$\Gamma_\nu : \Gamma_l : \Gamma_u : \Gamma_d = 1 : 0.505 : 1.74 : 2.34$$

Charged current weak interactions

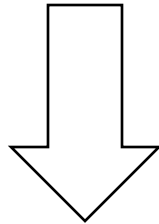
- Charged W^\pm boson couplings to fermions are simple
 - the interaction basis is also mass basis \rightarrow the W interactions are universal

$$\mathcal{L}_{W,l} = -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\overline{\nu_{eL}} \gamma^\mu W_\mu^+ e_L^- + \overline{\nu_{\mu L}} \gamma^\mu W_\mu^+ \mu_L^- + \overline{\nu_{\tau L}} \gamma^\mu W_\mu^+ \tau_L^- + \text{h. c.} \right)$$

- More complicated in the quark sector
 - no interaction basis that is also a mass basis

$$\mathcal{L}_{W,q} = -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \overline{U_L^i} \gamma^\mu W_\mu^+ D_L^i + \text{h. c.}$$

$$U_L^i = (V_{uL}^\dagger)_{ij} u_L^j, \quad D_L^i = (V_{dL}^\dagger)_{ij} d_L^j$$



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CKM matrix

Charged current weak interactions

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Important features of charged-current weak interactions (CCWI):

- *Parity violation*: only left-handed particles participate in CCWI
- The W couplings to quark mass eigenstates are **NOT universal** the universality of gauge interactions is hidden in the unitarity of the CKM matrix, V
- The W couplings to the quark eigenstates are **NOT diagonal**. This is a consequence of the fact that no pair of up and down type mass eigenstates fits into an $SU(2)$ doublet.

Summary of Lecture 4

Main learning outcomes

- The spectrum and interactions described by the Standard Model of particle physics
- Mass generation mechanism through Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking
- How flavour arises in the Standard Model