Gauge bosons (W/Z) in PDG-RPP

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(Encoders/Overseers)

Evolution of statistics

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Brief recapitulation

- 1992-2002: period of intense activity in W/Z, with LEP (ADLO), SLC (SLD), TEVATRON Run-I (CDF, D0) producing a torrent of data and publications.
- The number of NODES and PAGES in RPP increased by a factor of 3.
- LEP: To obtain best LEP average measurements, results from the four experiments obtained over several years had to be combined using averaging procedures which accounted for correlated errors.
 - → role of LEP working groups (see next slide).

Working groups LEP, Tevatron

- LEP Working groups devised proper averaging procedures to account for correlations
 - between experiments (same beams/M.C. models/ theory input to extract measurements)
 - between different data runs/ years
 - due to use of > 1 measurements within a fit to extract the best value of a quantity
- LEP Electroweak Working Group; LEP W-group
 Klaus Monig => CC for Z -> b bbar/c cbar
 AG for Z-lineshape, W-mass, branching ratios
 THIS LEP WG → PDG INTERFACE PLAYED A CRITICAL ROLE OVER THE YEARS.
- Now TEVATRON EWWG has taken shape and plays a similar role for RUN-II data on W and Z Martin Grunewald.

Mini-reviews

- PDG: Providing world averages a crucial task (most quoted reference).
- Consequence of complicated averaging procedures: Long mini-reviews as explanations
 →Notes on Z-boson, W-mass.
- Mini-reviews also useful to Clarify terminology, give latest preliminary results on important quantities.

Mini-reviews - 2

• Other mini-reviews:

on W-TGC's (gamma WW, ZWW), ZZγ, Zγγ, ZZV Couplings Anomalous W/Z Quartic couplings.

- All are revised for every hardcopy/WEB edition, and a new one written if necessary.
- For RPP06, a critical evaluation was carried out of the Z mini.
 Sent to expert referees, who made a number of suggestions for improvement and for correction (e.g. in references).
 For RPP08 MG suggested some changes and these are incorporated.

→ This turned out to be a very worthwhile exercise and we believe the Z mini definitely reads better!

Expectations for W/Z for RPP 2010 (as seen in Oct 2008)

- Remnant LEP averaging will be available.
- New results from Tevatron Run II:
 on many measurements on W, Z, including mass,
 width, BR's, couplings. More accurate W mass would
 make Higgs mass prediction more precise to confront
 with LHC (or even Tevatron). With delay in LHC
 startup Tevatron could have a slightly prolonged role
 to play (modulo funding).
- We hope LHC will become operational in 2009 and some results on W/Z make it for RPP 10.

Actual situation in RPP-2010

- LEP: Some results still need to be finalized (W-mass and width combination needing final correlation between the experiments). Summer 2011...
- Tevatron experiments have made a real dent in precision determination of W-mass and width.
 - For the 1st time the Tevatron W-mass is better than LEP average.
- LHC results not yet available. Wait till 2012 edition.

Expectations for 2012

• Even further improvements on W parameters from Tevatron: W-mass, width, TGC's etc

• Certainly contributions from the LHC on properties, couplings related to W and Z. (Rediscovery of SM physics, possible surprises? In TGC's?)

Replacement of AG

- At 65, will be retiring at end-Jan 2011
- Brief discussion with Michael: retirement not a deterrent and will continue for 2012 edition.
- Could try to see how things go, and if necessary one has somewhat over one year to find a replacement.

Thank you.