

Dispersive determination of Higgs boson mass

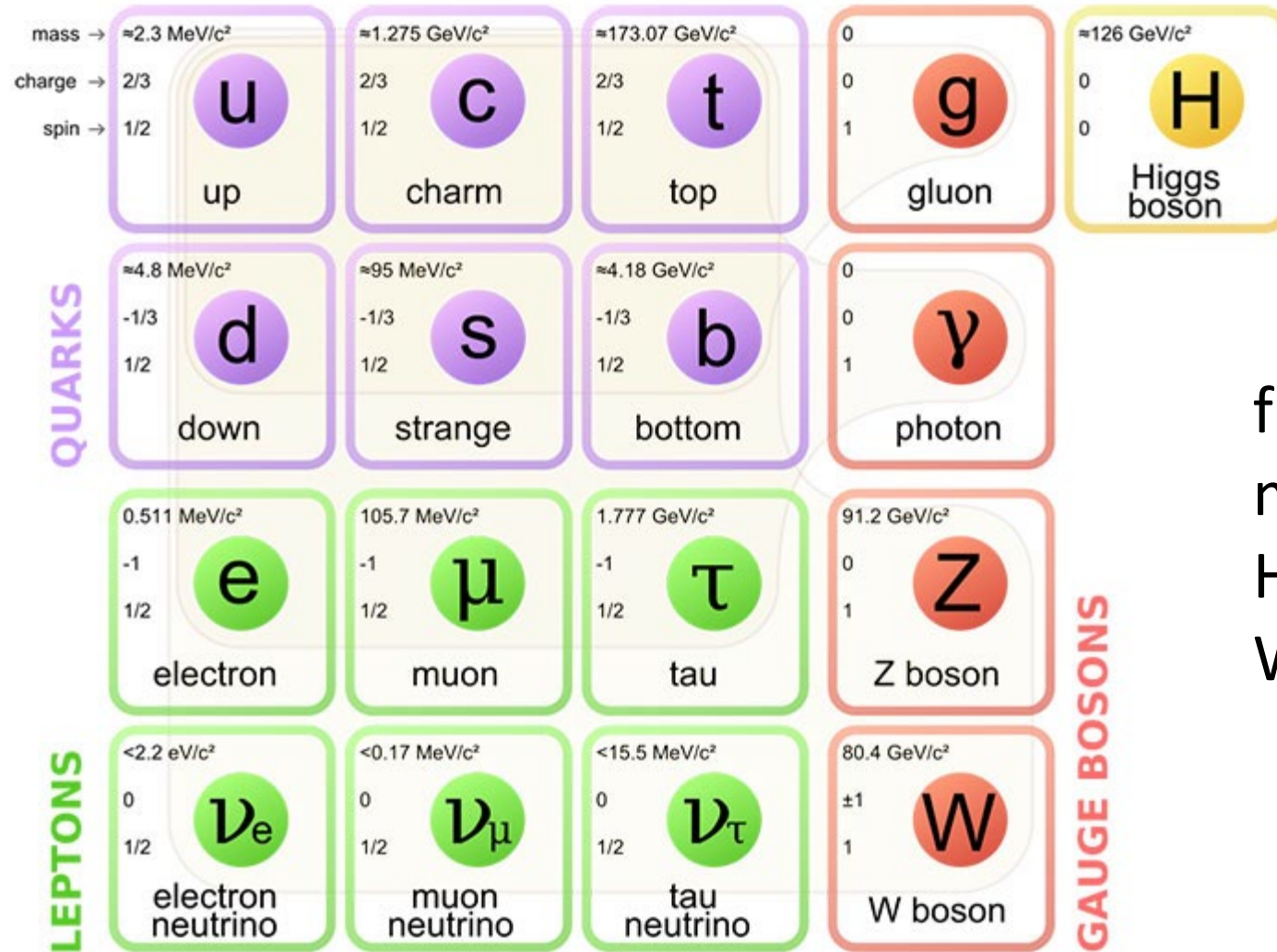
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Standard Model



flavor structure,
 mixing patterns,
 Higgs mass 125 GeV,...
 Why?

Goal

- Belief: SM parameters are free

- ChatGPT:

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In summary, the Standard Model parameters are free in the sense that their values cannot be determined by the theory alone, and experimental measurements play a crucial role in determining their values.

- To explain them, introduce new physics, but...

- Will show that at least some of the SM parameters are not free, but constrained dynamically for internal consistency

QCD sum rules for resonance masses

- Two-current correlator

$$J_\mu = (\bar{u}\gamma_\mu u - \bar{d}\gamma_\mu d)/\sqrt{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_{\mu\nu}(q^2) &= i \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \langle 0 | T [J_\mu(x) J_\nu(0)] | 0 \rangle \\ &= (q_\mu q_\nu - g_{\mu\nu} q^2) \Pi(q^2) \leftarrow \text{vacuum polarization function} \end{aligned}$$

- Sum rules

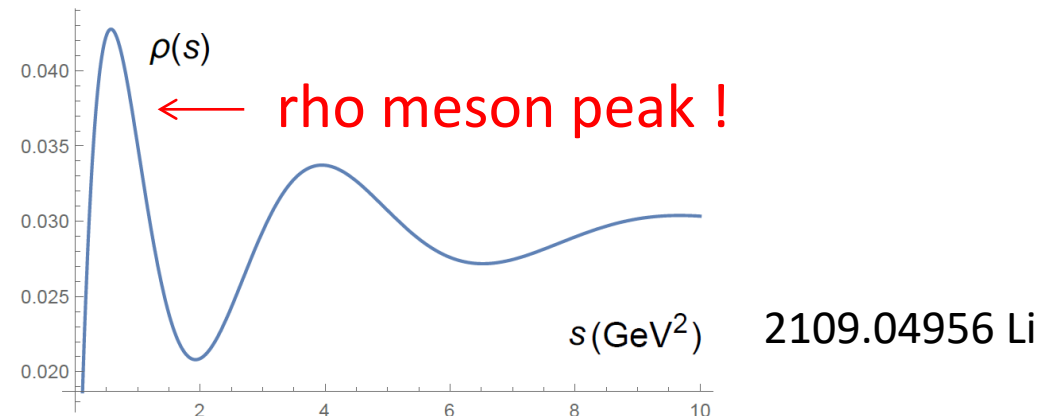
unknown spectral density

operator-product-expansion input

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^R ds \frac{\text{Im}\Pi(s)}{s - q^2} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^R ds \frac{\text{Im}\Pi^{\text{pert}}(s)}{s - q^2} + \frac{1}{12\pi} \frac{\langle \alpha_s G^2 \rangle}{(q^2)^2} + 2 \frac{\langle m_q \bar{q}q \rangle}{(q^2)^2} + \frac{224\pi}{81} \frac{\kappa \alpha_s \langle \bar{q}q \rangle^2}{(q^2)^3}$$

insert $|n\rangle\langle n|$
any real state n ,
created or
annihilated by J ,
contributes

solve sum rule directly
as an inverse problem
→ rho resonance
emerges

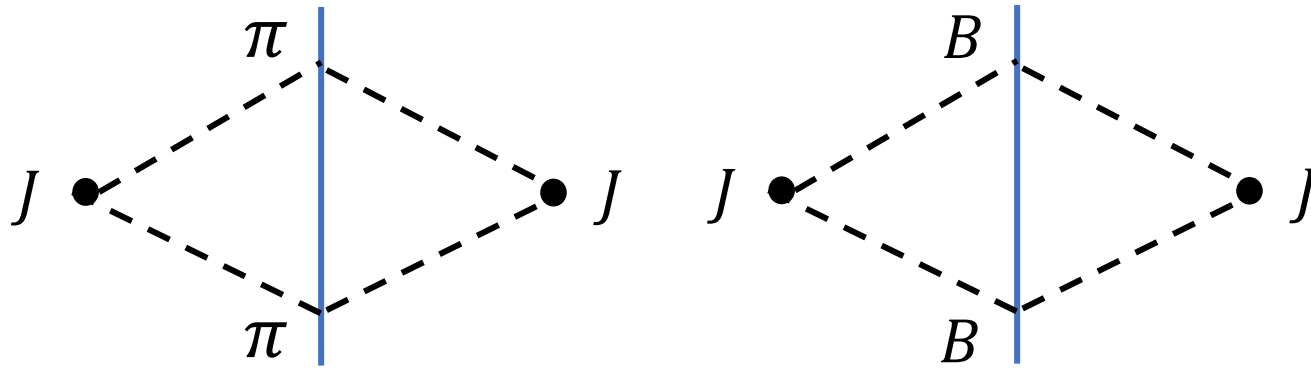


Speculation

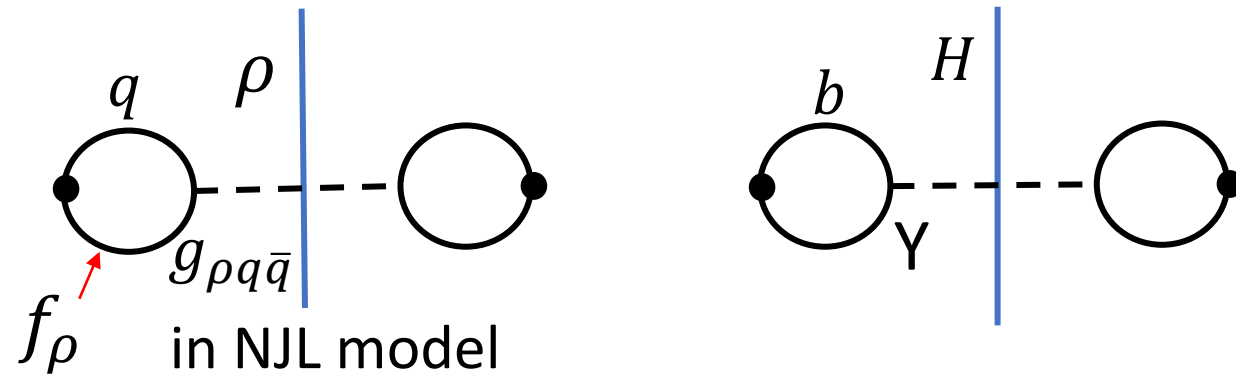
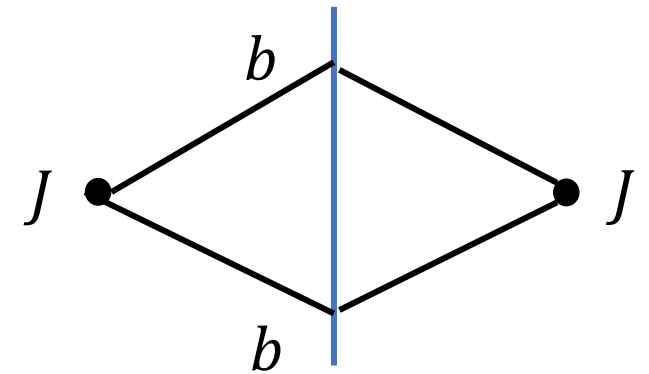
- Consider correlator of two **b quark scalar currents**
- Higgs can be created or annihilated by this current, $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
- Higgs contributes to spectral function $\text{Im}\Pi(s)$
- Could this correlator reveal Higgs property by solving for spectral function directly?
- **If yes, Higgs mass is not free parameter, but determined dynamically, like rho meson mass**
- **Fine-tuning problem of SM may not be serious...**
- **c quark currents work too, but many scalars decay into $c\bar{c}$**

Comparison to rho meson

“hadron” side: Im from real physical particles



“quark” side: Im from real b quarks plus power corrections theoretically calculated



these two ways give same result at large q^2
 --- sum rules

Dispersion relation

Gorishinii, Kataev, Larin 1984

- Perturbative input

$$\text{Im}\Pi^{\text{P}}(m_S) \propto \frac{(m_S^2 - 4m_b^2)^{3/2}}{m_S} \left[1 + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\pi} C_F \left(\frac{17}{4} + \frac{3}{2} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{m_S^2} \right) \right]$$

- Starting with correlator, derive

suppress low m singularity $\int_{4m_b^2}^{R^2} \frac{m \text{Im}\Pi(m)}{m_S^2 - m^2} dm^2 = \int_{4m_b^2}^{R^2} \frac{m \text{Im}\Pi^{\text{P}}(m)}{m_S^2 - m^2} dm^2$

- Move RHS to LHS, **analyticity**

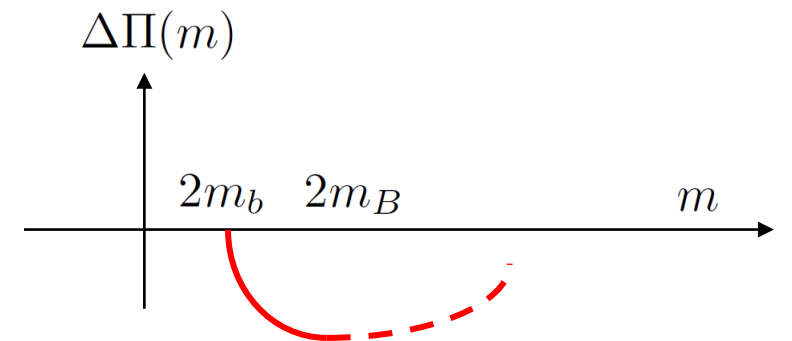
$\Delta\Pi(m)$ is fixed to $-\text{Im}\Pi^{\text{P}}(m)$ in the interval $(2m_b, 2m_B)$

$$\int_{4m_b^2}^{\infty} \frac{\Delta\rho(m)}{(m_S^2 - m^2)} dm^2 = 0,$$

$$\Delta\rho(m) \equiv m\Delta\Pi(m), \quad \Delta\Pi(m) = \text{Im}\Pi(m) - \text{Im}\Pi^{\text{P}}(m)$$

- **mb=mB, trivial solution** $\text{Im}\Pi(m) = \text{Im}\Pi^{\text{P}}(m)$

- **Power corrections (mB-mb)/mb crucial**



Polynomial expansion

arbitrary scale

- Introduce dimensionless variables, $m_S^2 - 4m_b^2 = u\Lambda$, $m^2 - 4m_b^2 = v\Lambda$

$$\int_0^\infty dv \frac{\Delta\rho(v)}{u-v} = 0 \quad \Delta\rho(v) \rightarrow 0 \text{ at large } v, \text{ because } \text{Im}\Pi(m) \rightarrow \text{Im}\Pi^P(m)$$

power series in $1/u$ using $1/(u-v) = \sum_{i=1}^\infty v^{i-1}/u^i$

- Start with case of N vanishing coefficients, **N large**

contained in $L_0^{(\alpha)}(v), L_1^{(\alpha)}(v), \dots, L_{N-1}^{(\alpha)}(v)$

$$\int_0^\infty dv v^{i-1} \Delta\rho(v) = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N$$

- Imply expansion in generalized Laguerre polynomials because of orthogonality

$$\Delta\rho(v) = \sum_{j=N}^{N'} a_j \underline{v^\alpha e^{-v}} L_j^{(\alpha)}(v), \quad \begin{matrix} N' > N \\ \uparrow \\ \text{fixed by initial condition in principle, needs not be infinite} \end{matrix} \quad \int_0^\infty \underline{y^\alpha e^{-y}} L_m^{(\alpha)}(y) L_n^{(\alpha)}(y) dy = \frac{\Gamma(n + \alpha + 1)}{n!} \delta_{mn}$$

weight

fixed by initial condition in principle, needs not be infinite

Solution

- Large j approximation, subject to correction of $1/\sqrt{j}$

$$L_j^{(\alpha)}(v) \approx j^{\alpha/2} v^{-\alpha/2} e^{v/2} J_\alpha(2\sqrt{jv})$$

- Solution in variable m

arbitrary degree and scale appear in ratio

$$\Delta\rho(m) \approx \sum_{j=N}^{N'} a_j \sqrt{\frac{j(m^2 - 4m_b^2)}{\Lambda}}^\alpha e^{-(m^2 - 4m_b^2)/(2\Lambda)} J_\alpha\left(2\sqrt{\frac{j(m^2 - 4m_b^2)}{\Lambda}}\right)$$

- **Scaling variable** $\omega \equiv \sqrt{N/\Lambda}$, large N limit $N'/\Lambda = \omega^2 + (N' - N)/N \approx \omega^2$

$$J_\alpha\left(2\sqrt{j(m^2 - 4m_b^2)}/\Lambda\right) \approx J_\alpha\left(2\omega\sqrt{m^2 - 4m_b^2}\right) \quad e^{-(m^2 - 4m_b^2)/(2\Lambda)} = e^{-\omega^2(m^2 - 4m_b^2)/(2N)} \approx 1$$

$$\Delta\rho(m) \approx \sum_{j=N}^{N'} a_j \left(\omega\sqrt{m^2 - 4m_b^2}\right)^\alpha J_\alpha\left(2\omega\sqrt{m^2 - 4m_b^2}\right)$$

3 unknowns

solution in terms of single Bessel function

Scale invariance

Xiong, Wei, Yu 2022

- Solution to this type of integral (Fredholm) equation, if existing, is unique, given boundary condition.
- It must be **insensitive** to arbitrary Λ , i.e., to ω from variable change
- To realize this insensitivity, consider **minimal to maximize stability window**

$$\Delta\rho(m_S) = \Delta\rho(m_S)|_{\omega=\bar{\omega}} + \frac{d\Delta\rho(m_S)}{d\omega}\Big|_{\omega=\bar{\omega}} (\omega - \bar{\omega}) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2\Delta\rho(m_S)}{d\omega^2}\Big|_{\omega=\bar{\omega}} (\omega - \bar{\omega})^2 + \dots$$

↑
fit to initial condition to determine $\bar{\omega}, \alpha, y$

$$d\Delta\rho(m_S)/d\omega|_{\omega=\bar{\omega}} = 0 \quad \text{discrete roots! stability window exists}$$

- Single root of m_S is allowed \Rightarrow **Higgs mass ?**
- Both N and Λ can be arbitrarily large, **large N approximation justified**

Initial condition

- Compare solution with perturbative input in **low end** $m_S \rightarrow 2m_b$

$$-m_S \text{Im}\Pi^{\text{P}}(m_S) \propto (m_S^2 - 4m_b^2)^{3/2} \quad \text{simple power of } m^2 - 4m_b^2$$

explain the modified integrand $m^2\Pi(m)$

$$\alpha = 3/2.$$

- Boundary value at **high end** $m_S = 2m_B$

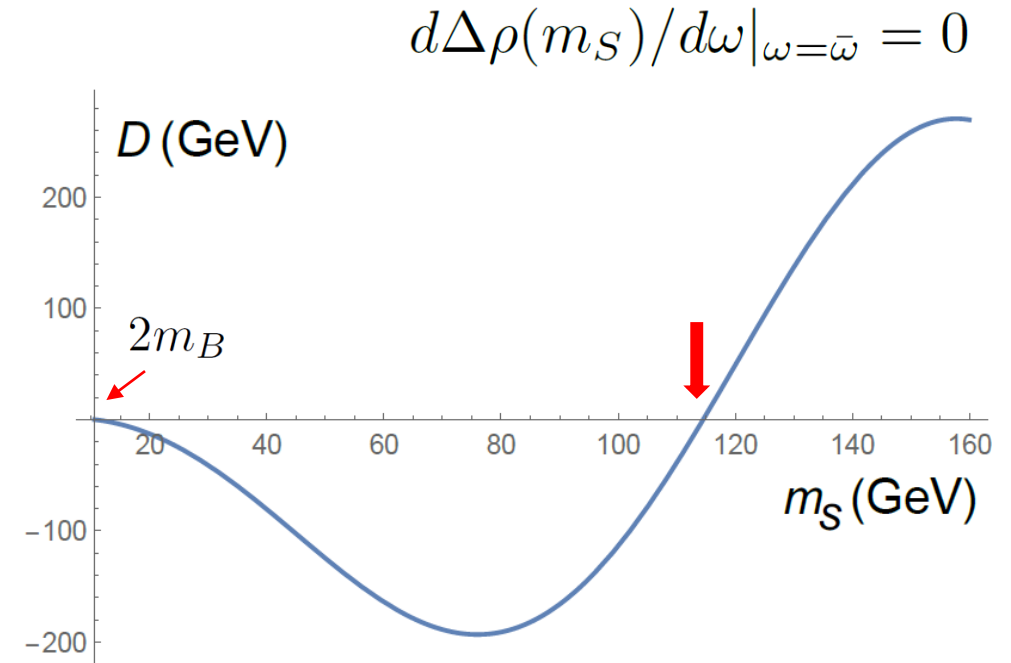
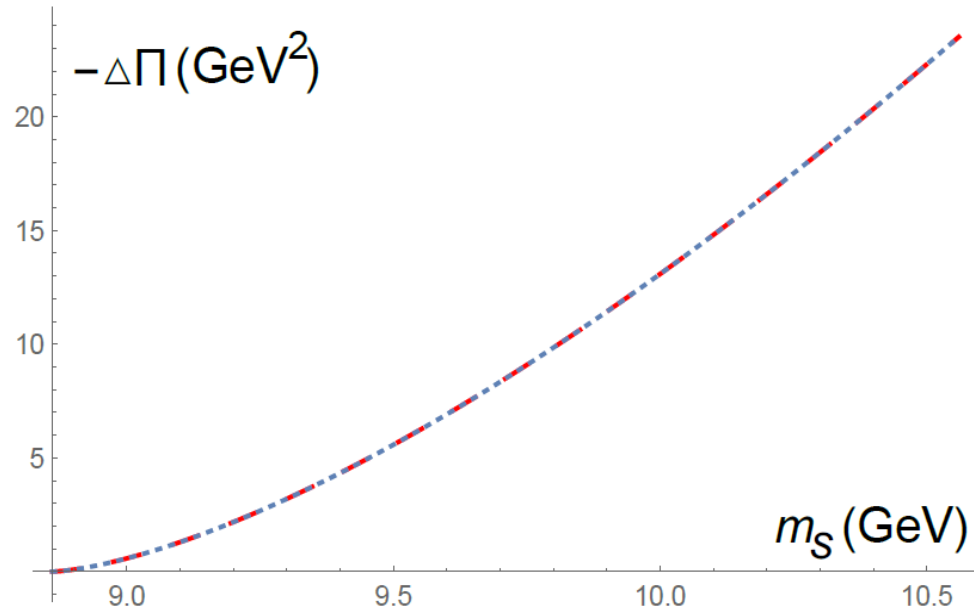
$$y = -2m_B \text{Im}\Pi^{\text{P}}(2m_B) \left[\left(2\omega \sqrt{m_B^2 - m_b^2} \right)^{3/2} J_{3/2} \left(4\omega \sqrt{m_B^2 - m_b^2} \right) \right]^{-1}$$

- Best fit to initial condition for $m_b = 4.43 \text{ GeV}$, $m_B = 5.28 \text{ GeV}$

$$\bar{\omega} = 0.0254 \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$

Higgs mass

- Excellent match to initial condition



- First root of vanishing derivative with minimal second derivative

$$m_S = 114 \text{ GeV} \quad 9\% \text{ deviation from data} \quad m_H = (125.25 \pm 0.17) \text{ GeV}$$

- **Renormalization scale** $\mu = m_S/2$ ($\mu = 2m_S$) gives 126 (112) GeV

Z mass

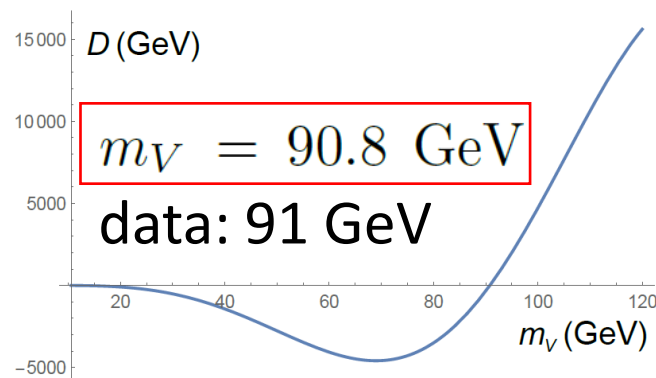
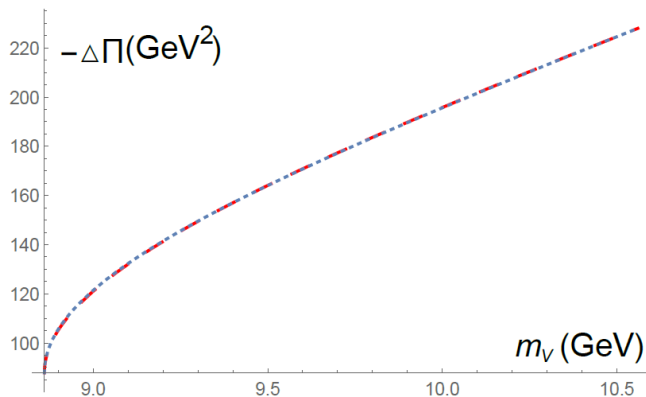
constant couplings

- Z decays into b pair via vertex $\gamma_\mu(v_b + a_b\gamma_5)$
- Vector, axial-vector couplings independent in mathematical viewpoint
- Consider correlator of vector current $J_\mu = \bar{b}\gamma_\mu b$
- Perturbative input

Schwinger 1973

$$\text{Im}\Pi^P(m_V) \propto m_V^2 \beta(m_V) [3 - \beta^2(m_V)] \left\{ 1 + \frac{4\alpha_s(m_V)}{3} \left[\frac{\pi}{2\beta(m_V)} - \frac{3 + \beta(m_V)}{4} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{3}{4\pi} \right) \right] \right\}$$

- Same b quark, B meson masses, $\bar{\omega} = 0.0249 \text{ GeV}^{-1}$



if fixing W mass $m_W = 80.377 \text{ GeV}$
consider m_V -dependent coupling

$$v_b(m_V) = -1 + \frac{4}{3} \left(1 - \frac{m_W^2}{m_V^2} \right)$$

$m_Z = 38 \text{ GeV}$ **wrong mass**

Conclusion

- Dispersion relations physical observables must obey impose stringent constraints on dynamics at various scales
- Appearance of scaling variable crucial for constructing physical solution with stability
- Particles must take specific values (not arbitrary) for existence of physical solution
- Strong interaction provides necessary power corrections
- Particle masses (including top mass) over large hierarchy, 0.1-100 GeV, and fermion mixing angles understood 2302.01761
- Fine-tuning problem of SM may not be serious 2306.03463

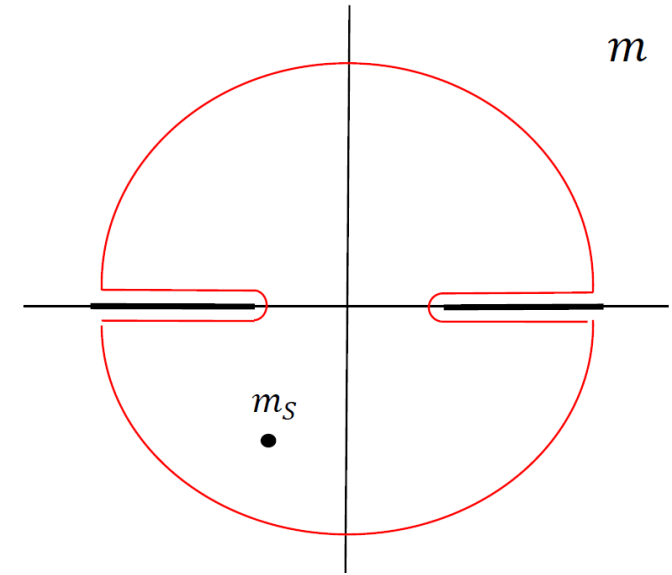
Back-up slides

Framework

- Two-current correlator scalar current $J = \bar{b}b$

$$\Pi(q^2) = i \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \langle 0 | T[J(x)J(0)] | 0 \rangle$$

$$m_S = \sqrt{q^2}$$



- Contour integration **physical correlator**

suppress
low m
singularity

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{m^2 \Pi(m)}{m - m_S} dm = m_S^2 \Pi^P(m_S) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{m^2 \Pi^P(m)}{m - m_S} dm$$

perturbative correlator

due to
analyticity

- Big circle contributions cancel

$$\int_{2m_B}^R \frac{m^2 \text{Im}\Pi(m)}{m - m_S} dm - \int_{-R}^{-2m_B} \frac{m^2 \text{Im}\Pi(m)}{m - m_S} dm$$

$$= \int_{2m_b}^R \frac{m^2 \text{Im}\Pi^P(m)}{m - m_S} dm - \int_{-R}^{-2m_b} \frac{m^2 \text{Im}\Pi^P(m)}{m - m_S} dm$$

left branch cut

W mass

- Z mass in agreement with data can be obtained, **only when vector coupling is constant**, i.e., when Z and W masses are proportionate
- Conform to Higgs mechanism for electroweak symmetry breaking
- **Given the three couplings of SU(3), SU(2), U(1)**
- Once Z mass is determined by dispersive relation, W mass is known

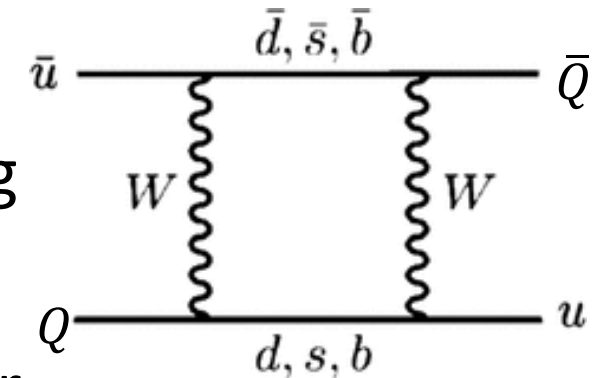
$$M_W = M_Z \cos \theta_W \qquad g_2 \sin \theta_W = g_1 \cos \theta_W$$

- Together with predicted Higgs mass, parameters in Higgs potential are also determined

$$V(\varphi) = \mu^2 \varphi^\dagger \varphi + \lambda (\varphi^\dagger \varphi)^2$$

Top mass

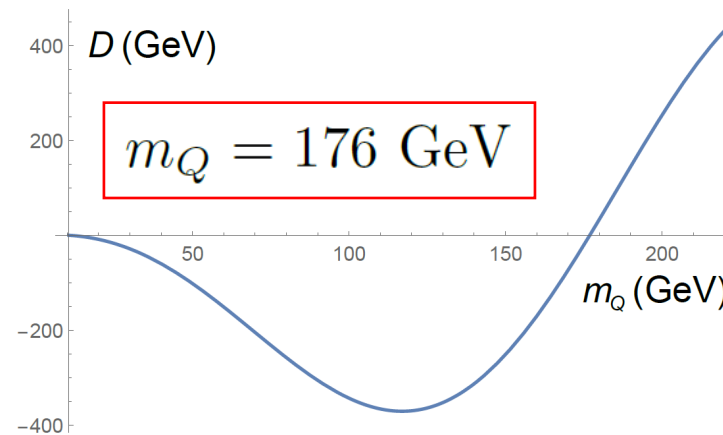
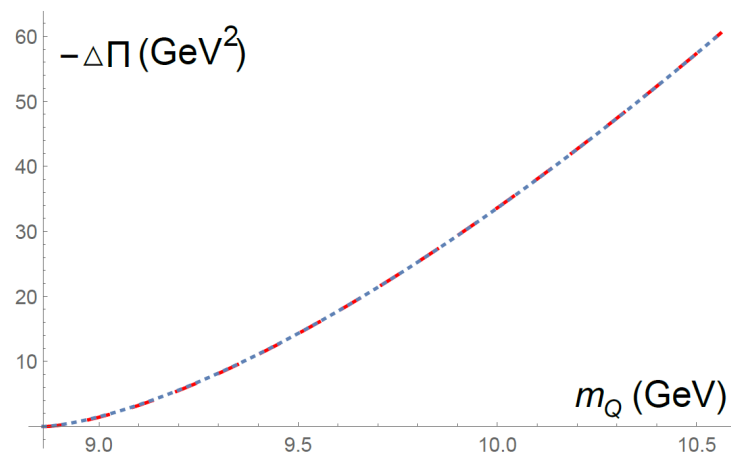
- Inspired by our previous study of neutral meson mixing
- Consider $Q\bar{u}-\bar{Q}u$ mixing through box diagrams
- Only $b\bar{b}$ channel (same threshold), (V-A)(V-A) operator
- Perturbative input, solution same as for Higgs case



Cheng 1982; Buras et al 1984

Wilson coefficient

$$\text{Im}\Pi^P(m_Q) \propto C_2(m_Q) \frac{\sqrt{m_Q^2 - 4m_b^2}}{m_Q(m_W^2 - m_b^2)^2} \left[3 \left(1 + \frac{m_b^4}{4m_W^4} \right) m_W^2(m_Q^2 - 4m_b^2) - 4m_b^2(m_Q^2 - 2m_b^2) \right]$$



2% deviation from data

$$m_t = (172.69 \pm 0.30) \text{ GeV}$$

explained by choosing

$$\mu = 0.98m_Q$$