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Electroweak physics at present and future colliders

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Outline of the talk

- The relevance of precision tests of the Standard Model of electroweak and strong interactions
- The processes and the observables relevant for the determination of the electroweak parameters
- The theoretical and computational challenges to extract in a significant way information from the data

- Exploit the dependence on the energy of our observables in order to extract information sensitive to new physics effects
- Revisit the analysis strategies adopted at LEP in view of the much higher FCC precision level relying on full template fit approach
- Prepare the technology to compute N3LO-EW corrections to fermion pair production



Introductory remarks

- There are big unanswered questions like dark matter, dark energy, matter-antimatter asymmetry; if the answer can be formulated according to a "particle paradigm", then we can search for such particles; direct searches so far unsuccessful, we can formulate precision indirect tests and look for any BSM physics signs
- Since every model has its own specific predictions (e.g. masses and couplings), we can test it at this level \rightarrow we must devise a procedure to extract such parameters (pseudo-observables) from the data and then compare with the corresponding theoretical predictions
- The possibility to parameterise our ignorance about BSM physics in the SMEFT language implies that we clarify how we test this model and how we determine fundamental parameters in this model
- The search for BSM signals benefits of a very precise understanding of the energy dependence of the observables One single deviation from the SM is not conclusive evidence of New Physics. (e.g. the CDF result for m_W); a systematic pattern of deviations from the SM, at different energies, would be a more significant signal

• A model (e.g. the SM) can be tested by checking how well it describes physical observables (i.e. xsecs and asymmetries) To this goal, we need the best predictions for the differential distributions, in order to make more significant the comparison





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from the Fermi theory to the current best predictions of MW and $\sin^2\theta$ and further



From the Fermi theory of weak interactions to the discovery of W and Z Fermi theory of β decay

muon decay
$$\mu^-
ightarrow
u_\mu e^- \bar{\nu}_e$$

QED corrections to Γ_{μ}

The independence of the QED corrections of the underlying model (Fermi theory vs SM) allows - to define G_{μ} and to measure its value with high precision

$$G_{\mu}$$
 = 1.16637

- to establish a relation between G_{μ} and the SM parameters

 $\frac{G_{\mu}}{\sqrt{G_{\mu}}}$

The properties of physics at the EW scale with sensitivity to the full SM and possibly to BSM via virtual corrections (Δr) are related to a very well measured low-energy constant



necessary for precise determination of G_{μ} computable in the Fermi theory (Kinoshita, Sirlin, 1959)

787(6) 10⁻⁵ GeV⁻²

$$\frac{\mu}{2} = \frac{g^2}{8m_W^2} \left(1 + \Delta r\right)$$



From the Fermi theory of weak interactions to the discovery of W and Z

The SM predicts the existence of a new neutral current, different than the electromagnetic one (Glashow 1961, Weinberg 1967, Salam 1968)

The observation of weak neutral current immediately allowed the estimate of the value of the weak mixing angle in the correct range GARGAMELLE, Phys.Lett. 46B (1973) 138-140

From the basic relation among the EW parameters it was immediately possible to estimate the order of magnitude of the mass of the weak bosons, in the 80 GeV range (Antonelli, Maiani, 1981)

The discovery at the CERN SPPS of the W and Z bosons and the first determination of their masses allowed the planning of a new phase of precision studies accomplished with the construction of two e^+e^- colliders (SLC and LEP) running at the Z resonance

The precise determination of MZ and of the couplings of the Z boson to fermions and in particular the value of the effective weak mixing angle allowed to establish a framework for a test of the SM at the level of its quantum corrections

There is evidence of EW corrections beyond QED with 26 σ significance! Full I-loop and leading 2-loop radiative corrections are needed to describe the data (indirect evidence of bosonic quantum effects)



The renormalisation of the SM and a framework for precision tests

- The Standard Model is a renormalizable gauge theory based on $SU(3) \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$
- The gauge sector of the SM lagrangian is assigned specifying (g, g', v, λ) in terms of 4 measurable inputs
- More observables can be computed and expressed in terms of the input parameters, including the available radiative corrections, at any order in perturbation theory
- The validity of the SM can be tested comparing these predictions with the corresponding experimental results
- The input choice $(g, g', v, \lambda) \leftrightarrow (\alpha, G_{\mu}, m_Z, m_H)$ minimises the parametric uncertainty of the predictions $\alpha(0) = 1/137.035999139(31)$ $G_{\mu} = 1.1663787(6) \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ $m_Z = 91.1876(21) \text{ GeV}/c^2$ $m_H = 125.09(24) \text{ GeV}/c^2$

- with these inputs, m_W and the weak mixing angle are predictions of the SM, to be tested against the experimental data



The W boson mass: theoretical prediction

$$\mathcal{L}_{SM} = \mathcal{L}_{SM}(\alpha, G_{\mu},$$



$m_Z; m_H; m_f; CKM)$

\rightarrow we can compute m_W

$$\frac{g^2}{n_W^2} \left(1 + \Delta r\right)$$

$$\left(1 - \frac{4\pi\alpha}{G_{\mu}\sqrt{2}m_Z^2}(1+\Delta r)\right)$$



The W boson mass: theoretical prediction

$$\begin{array}{ll} \underline{\text{on-shell scheme:}} & \text{dominant contributions to } \Delta r \\ \Delta r = \Delta \alpha - \frac{c_w^2}{s_w^2} \Delta \rho + \Delta r_{\text{rem}} \\ \\ \Delta \alpha = \Pi_{\text{ferm}}^{\gamma}(M_Z^2) - \Pi_{\text{ferm}}^{\gamma}(0) \quad \rightarrow \quad \alpha(M_Z) = \frac{\alpha}{1 - \Delta \alpha} \\ \\ \Delta \rho = \frac{\Sigma_Z(0)}{M_Z^2} - \frac{\Sigma_W(0)}{M_W^2} = 3 \frac{G_F m_t^2}{8\pi^2 \sqrt{2}} \quad [\text{one-loop}] \quad \sim \frac{m_t^2}{v^2} \sim \alpha \\ \\ \\ \text{beyond one-loop order:} \quad \sim \alpha^2, \, \alpha \alpha_t, \, \alpha_t^2, \, \alpha^2 \alpha_t, \, \alpha \alpha_t^2, \, \alpha \\ \\ \\ \text{reducible higher order terms from } \Delta \alpha \text{ and } \Delta \rho \text{ via} \end{array}$$

$$1 + \Delta r \rightarrow \frac{1}{\left(1 - \Delta \alpha\right) \left(1 + \frac{c_{\rm w}^2}{s_{\rm w}^2} \Delta \rho\right) + \cdots}$$
$$\rho = 1 + \Delta \rho \rightarrow \frac{1}{1 - \Delta \rho}$$

effects of higher-order terms on Δr



Consoli, WH, Jegerlehner 1989

The W boson mass: theoretical prediction

Sirlin, 1980, 1984; Marciano, Sirlin, 1980, 1981;

van der Bij, Veltman, 1984; Barbieri, Ciafaloni, Strumia 1993;

Djouadi, Verzegnassi 1987; Consoli, Hollik, Jegerlehner, 1989;

Chetyrkin, Kühn, Steinhauser, 1995;

Barbieri, Beccaria, Ciafaloni, Curci, Viceré, 1992, 1993; Fleischer, Tarasov, Jegerlehner, 1993;

Degrassi, Gambino, AV, 1996; Degrassi, Gambino, Sirlin, 1997;

Freitas, Hollik, Walter, Weiglein, 2000, 2003;

Awramik, Czakon, 2002; Awramik, Czakon, Onishchenko, Veretin, 2003; Onishchenko, Veretin, 2003

$$\begin{split} m_W &= w_0 + w_1 dH + w_2 dH^2 + w_3 dh - \\ dt &= [(M_t/173.34 \,\text{GeV})^2 - 1] \\ da^{(5)} &= [\Delta \alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(m_Z^2)/0.02750 - 1] & \frac{w_0}{w_1} \\ dH &= \ln \left(\frac{m_H}{125.15 \,\text{GeV}}\right) & \frac{w_2}{w_3} \\ dh &= [(m_H/125.15 \,\text{GeV})^2 - 1] \\ da_s &= \left(\frac{\alpha_s(m_Z)}{0.1184} - 1\right) & \frac{w_6}{w_7} \end{split}$$

 $m_W^{os} = 80.353 \pm 0.004$ GeV (Freitas, Hollik, Walter, Weiglein) on-shell scheme $m_W^{\overline{MS}} = 80.351 \pm 0.003$ GeV (Degrassi, Gambino, Giardino) MSbar scheme.

parametric uncertainties $\delta m_W^{par} = \pm 0.005$ GeV due to the $(\alpha, G_u, m_Z, m_H, m_t)$ values

The best available prediction includes

the full 2-loop EW result, leading higher-order EW and QCD corrections, resummation of reducible terms

Missing 3-loop and 4-loop terms needed to reduce the uncertainties.

 $+ w_4 dt + w_5 dH dt + w_6 da_8 + w_7 da^{(5)}$

	$124.42 \le m_H \le 125.87 \text{ GeV}$	$50 \le m_H \le 450 \text{ GeV}$
)	80.35712	80.35714
-	-0.06017	-0.06094
2	0.0	-0.00971
}	0.0	0.00028
ļ	0.52749	0.52655
5	-0.00613	-0.00646
5	-0.08178	-0.08199
,	-0.50530	-0.50259

The weak mixing angle(s): theoretical prediction

- the prediction of the weak mixing angle can be computed in different renormalisation schemes differing for the systematic inclusion of large higher-order corrections on-shell definition: $\sin^2 \theta_{OS} = 1 - \frac{m_W^2}{m_Z^2}$ definition valid to all orders
- on-shell definition:

Sirlin, 1980

• **MSbar** definition:

Marciano, Sirlin, 1980; Degrassi, Sirlin, 1991

• the effective leptonic weak mixing angle enters in the definition of the effective Z-f-fbar vertex at the Z resonance ($q^2 = m_Z^2$)

$$\mathcal{M}_{Zl^+l^-}^{eff} = \bar{u}_l \gamma_\alpha \left[\mathcal{G}_v^f(m_Z^2) - \mathcal{G}_a^f(m_Z^2) \gamma_5 \right] v_l \varepsilon_Z^\alpha$$

and can be computed in the SM (or in other models) in different renormalisation schemes using (α_0, G_μ, m_Z) as input parameters of the calculation $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep} = \kappa(m_Z^2) \sin^2 \theta_e$

it is crucial to verify at which energy scale the predictions are defined

$$n(s) \text{ at } q^2 = m_Z^2$$

$$\frac{G_{\mu}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{g_0^2}{8m_{W,0}^2} \longrightarrow \hat{s}^2 \hat{c}^2 = \frac{\pi\alpha}{\sqrt{2}G_{\mu}m_Z^2(1-\Delta\hat{r})} \qquad \hat{s}^2 \equiv \sin^2\hat{\theta}(\mu_R = m_Z)$$

weak dependence on top-quark corrections

$$4|Q_f|\sin^2\theta_{eff}^f = 1 - \frac{\mathscr{G}_v^f}{\mathscr{G}_a^f}$$

$$\theta_{OS} = \hat{\kappa}(m_Z^2) \sin^2 \hat{\theta}$$

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Comparison of different weak mixing angle determinations

The sensible comparison of different determinations of $\sin^2 \theta_W$ offers a test of the SM

- the values extracted at e+e- and hadron colliders are based on observables with different systematics but also use different definitions to fit the data
- for a meaningful test, it is important to compare the same weak mixing angle (different definitions appear when discussing the quantum corrections)



LEP/SLD longstanding discrepancies might be clarified





The effective leptonic weak mixing angle: theoretical prediction

• parameterization of the full two-loop EW calculation + different sets of 3- and 4-loop corrections

I.Dubovyk, A.Freitas, J.Gluza, T.Riemann, J.Usovitsch, arXiv: 1906.08815

$$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^f = s_0 + d_1 L_H + d_2 L_H^2 + d_3 L_H^4 + d_4 \Delta_\alpha + d_5 \Delta_t + d_6 \Delta_t^2 + d_7 \Delta_t L_H + d_8 \Delta_{\alpha_s} + d_9 \Delta_{\alpha_s} \Delta_t + d_{10} \Delta_Z$$

$$L_{\rm H} = \log \frac{M_{\rm H}}{125.7 \,\text{GeV}}, \qquad \Delta_{\rm t} = \left(\frac{m_{\rm t}}{173.2 \,\text{GeV}}\right)^2 - 1,$$
$$\Delta_{\alpha_{\rm s}} = \frac{\alpha_{\rm s}(M_{\rm Z})}{0.1184} - 1, \qquad \Delta_{\alpha} = \frac{\Delta\alpha}{0.059} - 1, \qquad \Delta_{\rm Z} = \frac{M_{\rm Z}}{91.1876 \,\text{GeV}} - 1$$

Observable	s_0	d_{1}	1 (d_2	d_3	d_4	d_5
$\sin^2\theta_{\rm eff}^\ell \times 10^4$	2314.	64 4.6	16 0.	539 —	0.0737	206	-25.71
$\sin^2\theta^b_{\rm eff}\times 10^4$	2327.	04 4.6	38 0.	558 —	0.0700	207	-9.554
Observable	d_6	d_7	d_8	d_9	d_{10}	ma	ax. dev.
$\sin^2\theta_{\rm eff}^\ell \times 10^4$	4.00	0.288	3.88	-6.49	-6560	<	< 0.056
$\sin^2\theta^b_{\rm eff} \times 10^4$	3.83	0.179	2.41	-8.24	-6630	<	< 0.025



The running of $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ at different mass scales Erler, Ramsey-Musolf, hep-ph/0409169

The running of the MSbar parameter depends on the particles active in the theory at a given scale μ^2 and the sign of the associated beta function coefficient

$$\sin^2 \theta_W(\mu)_{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}} = \frac{\alpha(\mu)_{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}}}{\alpha(\mu_0)_{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}}} \sin^2 \theta_V + \frac{\alpha(\mu)}{\pi} \Big[\frac{\lambda_2}{3} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{\mu_0^2} \Big]$$

The large lever arm (3 orders of magnitude) and the high precision of some low-energy experiments (e.g. P2) might possibly emphasise the presence of non-SM contributions.

Alternatively,

significant compatibility with the SM prediction would be a striking success of the SM at the quantum level



anti-screening



Relevance of a simultaneous study of m_W and of the weak mixing angle



sensitivity to different sets of oblique corrections, i.e. to different combinations of gauge boson self-energies

independent determinations of these two parameters crucial for testing different New Physics alternatives



Relevance of new high-precision Measurementely treated by the argumeters on Feb. 19 2018.







Global fits: New Physics scrutinised with S,T,U parameters

Assuming that New Physics dominant contribution is in Gauge Boson propagators

$$S = -16\pi \Pi_{30}^{NP'}(0) = 16\pi \left(\Pi_{33}^{NP'}(0) - \Pi_{3Q}^{NP'}(0)\right)$$
$$T = \frac{4\pi}{\sin^2 \theta_W \cos^2 \theta_W m_Z^2} \left(\Pi_{11}^{NP}(0) - \Pi_{33}^{NP}(0)\right)$$
$$U = 16\pi \left(\Pi_{11}^{NP'}(0) - \Pi_{33}^{NP'}(0)\right)$$

then the EWPO are modified as

$$\delta \Gamma_Z \propto -10 \left(3 - 8 \sin^2 \theta_W\right) S + \left(63 - 126 \sin^2 \theta_W\right)$$
$$\delta m_W, \delta \Gamma_W \propto S - 2 \cos^2 \theta_W T - \frac{\cos^2 \theta_W - \sin^2 \theta_W}{2 \sin^2 \theta_W}$$
other observables $\propto S - 4 \cos^2 \theta_W \sin^2 \theta_W T$



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Physical processes, observables and parameter determination

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- the high-mass Drell-Yan process at the HL-LHC sensitivity to the weak mixing angle

- higher order SM radiative corrections and New Physics



I) Relevance of Neutral Current Drell-Yan measurements: searches for New Physics signals



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o test the SM at the level of its quantum corrections

$$\mathcal{O}(1\%) \quad m_{\ell\ell} \sim 1 \,\mathrm{TeV}$$



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A deviation from the SM prediction can point towards New Physics

Is the SM prediction under control at the O(0.5%) level in the TeV region of the $m_{\ell\ell}$ distribution ?

(pb/GeV)

 $d\sigma/dm_{e^+e^-}$



I) Precision prediction of the dilepton invariant mass distribution in NC DY

R.Bonciani, L.Buonocore, S.Devoto, M.Grazzini, S.Kallweit, N.Rana, F.Tramontano, AV, arXiv:2106.11953 T.Armadillo, R.Bonciani, S.Devoto, N.Rana, ,AV, arXiv:2201.01754

P (LHC @ $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV)

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It is crucial to control the SM prediction at sub-percent level before we any SMEFT analysis Missing higher orders can easily mimic and fake BSM signals (i.e. non-vanishing Wilson coefficients) The SMEFT operators of the previous slide contribute also to the m_W prediction

I) Need for a full NNLO-EW calculation to reduce the uncertainties to percent level

The NNLO-EW corrections could modify in a non-trivial way the large-mass/momentum tails of the distributions Large logarithmic corrections (EW Sudakov logs) appear in the virtual corrections At two-loop level, we have up to the fourth power of $\log(s/m_V^2)$, the different corrections are comparable in size and with alternate signs

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The NNLO-EW corrections require an extra step compared to the mixed QCD-EW case - for the number of additional Master Integrals (\rightarrow automation) - for the complexity of the amplitudes (size problems? large cancellations?)

- for the conceptual problems (γ_5 ?, complex-mass scheme at two-loop?) many preliminary steps achieved/ongoing

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2) The dilepton invariant mass distribution in NC-DY at high mass and the weak mixing angle

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}\sigma}{\mathrm{dm}_{\ell\ell}\mathrm{d}y_{\ell\ell}\mathrm{d}\cos\theta_{CS}} = \frac{\pi\alpha^{2}}{\mathrm{3m}_{\ell\ell}s} \left((1+\cos^{2}\theta_{CS})\sum_{q}S_{q}[f_{q}(x_{1},Q^{2})f_{\overline{q}}(x_{2},Q^{2}) + f_{q}(x_{2},Q^{2})f_{\overline{q}}(x_{1},Q^{2})] + \cos\theta_{CS}\sum_{q}A_{q}\mathrm{sign}(y_{\ell\ell}) \cdot [f_{q}(x_{1},Q^{2})f_{\overline{q}}(x_{2},Q^{2}) - f_{q}(x_{2},Q^{2})f_{\overline{q}}(x_{1},Q^{2})] \right)$$

$$S_{q} = e_{\ell}^{2} e_{q}^{2} + P_{\gamma Z} \cdot e_{\ell} v_{\ell} e_{q} v_{q} + P_{ZZ} \cdot (v_{\ell}^{2} + a_{\ell}^{2}) (v_{q}^{2} + a_{q}^{2}) \qquad P_{\gamma Z}(\mathbf{m}_{\ell \ell}) = \frac{2\mathbf{m}_{\ell \ell}^{2}(\mathbf{m}_{\ell \ell}^{2} - \mathbf{m}_{Z}^{2})}{\sin^{2} \theta_{W} \cos^{2} \theta_{W}[(\mathbf{m}_{\ell \ell}^{2} - \mathbf{m}_{Z}^{2})^{2} + \Gamma_{Z}^{2} \mathbf{m}_{Z}^{2}]} \\ A_{q} = P_{\gamma Z} \cdot 2e_{\ell} a_{\ell} e_{q} a_{q} + P_{ZZ} \cdot 8v_{\ell} a_{\ell} v_{q} a_{q}, \qquad P_{ZZ}(\mathbf{m}_{\ell \ell}) = \frac{\mathbf{m}_{\ell \ell}^{4}}{\sin^{4} \theta_{W} \cos^{4} \theta_{W}[(\mathbf{m}_{\ell \ell}^{2} - \mathbf{m}_{Z}^{2})^{2} + \Gamma_{Z}^{2} \mathbf{m}_{Z}^{2}]}$$

The 3D differential xsec exhibits a dependence on the specific $\sin^2 \theta_W$ value, modulated by the different combinations of γ and Z propagators.

At the Z resonance, specific sensitivity to $\sin^2 \theta_W$, via the ratio of vector/axial-vector couplings, assessed from the study of A_{FR} and A_{LR} asymmetries

Also at large invariant masses the xsec features a sensitivity to $\sin^2 \theta_W$, stemming from both normalisation and angular-dependent factors!

 \rightarrow at NLO-EW we can study $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$, the MSbar renormalised mixing angle and exploit the large mass range to test the running of this quantity Alessandro Vicini - University of Milano

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2) The MSbar weak mixing angle $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ at $2a_R$



The RGE evolution depends on the number of active flavours contributing to the β -function Above $\mu = m_W$ there is an change of sign which features a positive slope.

Can we test this prediction of the SM, i.e. I) the running and 2) the value of the slope ? Is there enough sensitivity?

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2) $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ determination at hadron colliders at large invariant masses

S.Amoroso, M.Chiesa, C.L Del Pio, E.Lipka, F.Piccinini, F.Vazzoler, AV, arXiv:2302.10782

The study has to be performed at least at NLO-EW.

The amplitude has at NLO-EW different groups of corrections: QED, weak. Only a specific subset of such corrections contributes to the redefinition of the renormalised parameter, while the rest (e.g. boxes and part of the vertices) is a genuine process dependent correction.

In order to claim that we are sensitive to the precise $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ value, $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ must be among the input parameters of the renormalised lagrangian. A new version of the POWHEG NC DY QCD+EW has been prepared, which admits as input parameters ($\hat{\alpha}(\mu_R)$, $\sin\hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$, m_Z), renormalised at NLO-EW.

Thanks to this choice, $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ can be left as a free fit parameter, and extracted from the data. The explicit presence of the other corrections, insensitive to $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$, allows to correctly estimate the dependence on this parameter, at each mass scale.

We need to estimate the change of the xsec, for a given $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ variation. In the sensitivity study we identify the minimal variation which can be appreciated in the fit to the data, for given experimental errors.



2) $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ determination at hadron colliders at large invariant masses



The running of the MSbar angle can be established at LHC in Run III and at HL-LHC with percent precision. The remaining uncertainties do not affect the conclusion of the sensitivity study, performed at NLO.

For the actual measurement instead the best theoretical predictions will be needed, to avoid interpretation mismatches: full NNLO (QCD, EW and mixed QCDxEW) and leading higher orders, as discussed before.





- the Msbar weak mixing angle from low-energy experiments

P2 at MESA Møller at Jefferson Lab Qweak at Jefferson Lab



3) The weak mixing angle at low energy scales testing the parity-violating structure of the weak interactions at different energy scales Goal:

Problems: a) define an observable quantity, analogous to s now e.g. at $q^2 = 0$ for the t-channel process b) given the large size of the NLO corrections a we have to resum to all orders large classes

Solution I: introduction of $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{e^-e^-}$ at $q^2 = 0$ to describe Møller scattering it absorbs the effect of the EW corrections to the Møller amplitude in a new effective parameter $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{e^-e^-}$, via a gauge-invariant form factor $\kappa(q^2 = 0)$, in a tree-level-like structure

this parameter is a physical observable which can be i) predicted and ii) measured \rightarrow comparison with $\sin^2 \theta_{\rho ff}^{lep}$

Solution 2: the definition of $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ in the MSbar scheme is strictly bound to the presence of a renormalisation scale μ_R

 $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ satisfies the RGE (\rightarrow it needs a boundary condition computed at one given scale q^2) this quantity can be predicted in the SM using $(\alpha(0), G_{\mu}, m_Z)$ as basic input parameters the scale μ_R allows to probe the size of resummed radiative correction to the couplings at different scales

$$\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$$
 at $q^2 = m_Z^2$,
see like e-p or e-e- scattering
at $q^2 = 0$, the fixed-order result is not sufficient
of radiative corrections in the definition of a running parameter

Ferroglia, Ossola, Sirlin, hep-ph/0307200





3) The running of $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ and the prediction of $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(0)$ Erler, Ramsey-Musolf, hep-ph/0409169 given $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(m_Z^2)$, we want to study a process with $Q^2 \ll m_Z^2 \rightarrow$ the radiative corrections contain large $\log(Q^2/m_Z^2)$ factors

in the MSbar scheme, the RGE allows to compute the coupling at an arbitrary scale μ^2 , once the value at a given Q^2 is known $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(Q^2) = \hat{\kappa}(Q^2, \mu^2) \sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu^2)$ setting $\mu^2 = Q^2$ resums the large $\log(Q^2/\mu^2)$ in $\sin^2 \theta(\mu^2)$ the behaviour at the physical thresholds is fixed via matching conditions

$$\sin^{2} \theta_{W}(\mu)_{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}} = \frac{\alpha(\mu)_{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}}}{\alpha(\mu_{0})_{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}}} \sin^{2} \theta_{W}(\mu_{0})_{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}} + \lambda_{1} \left[1 - \frac{\alpha(\mu)}{\alpha(\mu_{0})} \right]$$
$$+ \frac{\alpha(\mu)}{\pi} \left[\frac{\lambda_{2}}{3} \ln \frac{\mu^{2}}{\mu_{0}^{2}} + \frac{3\lambda_{3}}{4} \ln \frac{\alpha(\mu)_{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}}}{\alpha(\mu_{0})_{\overline{\mathrm{MS}}}} + \tilde{\sigma}(\mu_{0}) \right]$$

we predict $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(0) = \hat{\kappa}(0) \sin^2 \hat{\theta}(m_z^2)$ resumming large perturbative corrections in $\hat{\kappa}(0)$

in ep scattering non-perturbative contributions enter via $\Sigma_{\gamma Z}(\mu \sim \Lambda_{QCD})_{0.23}$ and are treated along with the e.m. coupling

gauge invariance is respected in the MSbar $\hat{\kappa}$ factor

$$\hat{\kappa}(0) = 1.03232 \pm 0.00029$$

 $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(m_Z^2) = 0.23124(6) \rightarrow \sin^2 \hat{\theta}(0) = 0.23871(9)$

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Kumar, Mantry, Marciano, Soudry, arXiv: 1302.6263



3) Parity violation: what can be learned from precision e- p measurements?

The asymmetry
$$A_{PV} = \frac{\sigma_{+} - \sigma_{-}}{\sigma_{+} + \sigma_{-}} = \frac{-G_F Q^2}{4\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha_{em}} (Q_W - R_W)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (Q_W - R_W)^2 + \frac$$

• A_{PV} is proportional to the weak charge of the proton, accidentally suppressed in the SM:

- radiative corrections contribute to the precise value of the asymmetry A_{PV} ($\rightarrow \sin^2 \theta_W$ determination)
- the value of the effective weak mixing angle at $q^2 = 0$ is about 3% larger than at $q^2 = m_Z^2$ this SM prediction has to be tested and it might reveal BSM effects

 $F(E_i, Q^2)$) is obtained polarising the electron beam

 $Q_W(p) = 1 - 4\sin^2\theta_W \sim 0.09$

• the tree-level suppression of $Q_W(p)$ i) enhances the sensitivity to $\sin^2 \theta_W$: $\Delta Q_W/Q_W \sim 0.09 \ \Delta \sin^2 \theta_W/\sin^2 \theta_W$ \rightarrow a measurement at the 1.4% level of $A_{PV}(P2)$ allows a determination of $\sin^2 \theta_W$ with an error $\Delta \sin^2 \theta_W \sim 33 \cdot 10^{-5}$ (cfr. LEP error $\Delta \sin^2 \theta_W \sim 16 \cdot 10^{-5}$)

ii) enhances the impact of the radiative corrections (e.g. -39% in Møller scattering)

may include BSM contributions (tree-level suppression of $Q_W(p) \rightarrow$ enhanced sensitivity to BSM effects)



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3) BSM searches

Any significant tension of A_{PV}^{SM} with the data might be interpreted as a BSM signal

Different kinds of new interaction might yield the same observable effect:

new parity-violating contact interaction operators new dark bosons new additional gauge bosons (Z')

The P2 potential to discover new physics is enhanced by : $A_{PV} = \frac{-G_F Q^2}{4\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha_{em}} \left(Q_W - F(E_i, Q^2) + \Delta_{SM \, rad. corr.}(Q^2) + \Delta_{BSM}(Q^2) \right)$

b) absence of suppression of the interferences of BSM with SM tree level amplitudes (at variance with the Z pole) at the Z pole the SM amplitude is purely imaginary and the interference with real BSM amplitudes vanishes

The P2 high precision makes its discovery potential comparable to the one of high-energy experiments



a) accidental suppression of the proton weak charge at tree level \rightarrow BSM effects have stronger impact on A_{PV}



3) BSM searches

New contact interactions

$$\mathcal{L}_{\rm SM}^{\rm PV} = -\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_q C_{1q} \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{\Lambda}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g^2}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g^2}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g^2}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g^2}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g^2}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g^2}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g^2}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g^2}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g^2}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g^2}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g^2}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{g} \sim \mathcal{L}_{NEW}^{\rm PV} = \frac{g}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{4\Lambda^2} \bar{e} \gamma_5 e \sum_f h_V^q \bar{q} \gamma^{\mu} q, \qquad \frac{g}{$$

The exclusion range is computed about a SM central value hypothesis for Q_W^p (solid line) with $\pm 1\sigma$

The expected $\Delta Q_W^p(P2) \sim 0.0011$ will push the exclusion limit up to the 80 TeV level in the strong coupling scenario and in the most favoured configuration

The limits will be stronger than at LEP2 thanks to the higher precision of the weak charge determination

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sqrt{2}G_F |\Delta Q_W^p|}}$$

Limits on the scale of New Physics can be set in the strong coupling ($g^2 = 4\pi$) assumption or for the Wilson coefficient



3) BSM searches

New dark parity-violating bosons



A new dark bosons, mixing with the SM Z boson, may modify the strength of the parity-violating couplings

The effects can be completely absent at the Z resonance, where the SM amplitude is purely imaginary.

The presence of the extra boson modifies the running of $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$, with a modulation due to the assumed boson mass and couplings

The sensitivity to this kind of interaction is quite unique to the low-energy electron-scattering experiments


Comments on the $\sin^2 \theta_W$ studies at different energy scales

In these 3 examples we search for deviations from the SM \rightarrow it is necessary to have the full NNLO-EW result

The possibility to interpret the results in terms of a running parameter/non-vanishing Wilson coefficient relies on a detailed knowledge of the energy dependence of the rest of the xsec - the actual running parameter is the weak MSbar coupling $\hat{\alpha}(\mu_R)/\sin^2\hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$

- higher-order Sudakov logs have to be kept under control
- \rightarrow we do not want to mismatch the SM process dependent corrections as contributions to $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$

Hadron colliders predictions suffer in general from PDF uncertainties, but,

we can consider the limiting case of a "perfect calibration" at the Z resonance, which reabsorbs a fraction of the proton PDFs uncertainty, assuming no physics in the proton,

 \rightarrow the slope of the invariant mass distribution is the relevant observable for such searches

The running of $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ depends on one single boundary condition (matching conditions do not affect this feature, they just add extra theoretical uncertainties) \rightarrow the possibility to include several constraints at different scales is extremely powerful in terms of a simultaneous exclusion of different BSM models



- the Z resonance at hadron and ete- colliders determination of the effective leptonic weak mixing angle

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Complementarity of different $\sin^2 \theta_W$ determinations

- The comparison/combination of these different results is valuable if we consider exactly the same quantity: a popular example is $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$, but in view of the current discussion it could be $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(m_Z^2)$
- by deconvoluting standard QED/QCD effects, dealing with the proton (lepton) PDFs, and considering higher-order corrections
 - \rightarrow different strategies and input schemes are adopted in the literature; their consistency has to be checked ATL-CONF-2018-037



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• for each collider/observable we have to "access" the hard scattering process (proportional to $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ or to $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(m_Z^2)$)

cfr. the MW combination working group







Weak mixing angle determination at hadron colliders (I)

$$\mathcal{M}_{Zl^+l^-}^{eff} = \bar{u}_l \gamma_\alpha \left[\mathcal{G}_v^f(m_Z^2) - \mathcal{G}_a^f(m_Z^2) \gamma_5 \right]$$

invariant mass Forward-Backward asymmetry in neutral-current DY

scattering angle defined in the Collins-Soper frame
$$\rightarrow$$
 "Forward" ("Backward")

$$\cos \theta^* = f \frac{2}{M(l^+l^-)\sqrt{M^2(l^+l^-) + p_t^2(l^+l^-)}} [p^+(l^-)p^-(l^+) - p^-(l^-)p^+(l^+)]$$

$$p^{\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (E \pm p_z) \qquad f = \frac{|p_z(l^+l^-)|}{p_z(l^+l^-)}$$

we would like to appreciate parity violation like at LEP, observing an asymmetry with respect to the direction of the incoming particle \rightarrow it is not possible because we have both $q\bar{q}$ and $\bar{q}q$ annihilation processes but...

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 $v_5 v_l \varepsilon_Z^{\alpha}$

$$A_{FB}(M_{l+l-}) = \frac{F(M_{l+l-}) - B(M_{l+l-})}{F(M_{l+l-}) + B(M_{l+l-})}$$
$$F(M_{l+l-}) = \int_0^1 \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta^*} d\cos\theta^* \qquad B(M_{l+l-}) = \int_{-1}^0 \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta^*} d\cos\theta^*$$

- \rightarrow at the LHC the symmetry of the collider (p-p) removes one possible preferred direction



Weak mixing angle determination at hadron colliders (II) ...but

at a given lepton-pair rapidity Y, $q\bar{q}$ and $\bar{q}q$ have different weight because of the PDFs \Rightarrow do not cancel each other

the parton luminosity unbalance is due to the different x dependence of the valence and sea quarks AFB is more pronounced at large Y, e.g. at LHCb



close to m_{Z} : small AFB but good sensitivity to the weak mixing angle, large PDF uncertainties

away from m_7 : "model independent" parameterisation of AFB is not possible, we compute it in the SM

- away from m_7 : large AFB, no sensitivity to the weak mixing angle, possible effects from new Z', constraining power on PDFs unc



Determination of $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ in the LHC framework

A few differences compared to the LEP measurement and analysis framework • the initial state is a mixture, weighted by PDFs, of different quark flavours \rightarrow PDF uncertainty + problems to disentangle individual Z decay widths • the precision on the Z peak cross section is lower than the one at LEP for $e+e-\rightarrow$ hadrons $\rightarrow \sigma_{had}$ was at LEP an important constraint of the pseudo-observable fit • the experimental analysis involves an invariant mass window (instead of only $q^2 = MZ^2$) \rightarrow non-factorisable contributions spoil the factorisation (initial)x(final) form factors

 \rightarrow it is not possible to pursue the LEP approach in terms of pseudo-observables at LHC $A_{FB}^{exp}(m_Z^2) - \mathscr{A}_{nonfact} =$



$$\frac{3}{4}\mathscr{A}_{e}\mathscr{A}_{f}$$

→ a template fit approach in the full SM is needed to analyse the AFB data and offers a well defined procedure

$$(\theta_{\ell\ell}^2)$$
 for different values of $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$

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Estimate of $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$: template fit approach



The fit is barely sensitive to $\delta \sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep} = 4 \ 10^{-5}$

A MC statistics 4 times larger would be needed to have clear sensitivity over the whole fitting range [80,100]

 ΔA_{FB}

$$\chi_i^2 = \sum_{j=1}^{N_{bins}} \frac{(t_j^{(i)} - d_j)^2}{(\sigma_j^{templ})^2 + (\sigma_j^{data})^2} \qquad i = 1, \dots, N_{templ}$$

- t⁽ⁱ⁾ are templates of the AFB distribution computed at LO, with NNPDF3.1 QCD-only, for different values of $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ labelled by i
- are (pseudo)data d

Plotting χ^2_i as a function of *i* yields a parabola, whose minimum selects the preferred $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ value

Commonly used electroweak input schemes

 $(g, g', v; \lambda) + 9$ yukawa couplings + 4 CKM param's $\lambda \rightarrow m$

Different possibilities to express (g, g', v) in terms of measured quantities.

$$(g,g',v)
ightarrow (lpha_0,G_\mu,m_Z)$$
 LEP s

$$ightarrow (G_{\mu}, m_W, m_Z)$$
 Gmu sc

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In these schemes the weak mixing angle is not an input, is predicted \rightarrow is fixed \rightarrow can not be measured \rightarrow we need a scheme with $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ among the input param's

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$$n_H = v\sqrt{\lambda/2}$$

- scheme: minimal parametric uncertainty in the predictions Z and γ diagrams have their "natural" coupling m_W and $\sin^2 \theta_W$ are predictions, can not be fitted
- theme: m_W is a free parameter which can be fitted (introduced at LEP2)

independent of light-quark masses it reabsorbs large logarithmic corrections

 α and $\sin^2 \theta_W$ are predictions, can not be fitted

dependent on the light-quark masses eme: receives large logarithmic corrections



An electroweak scheme with $(G_{\mu}, m_Z, \sin^2 \theta_{eff})$ as inputs

The weak mixing angle is related to the left- and right-handed (vector and axial-vector) couplings of the Z boson to fermions

$$\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^l = \frac{I_3^l}{2Q_l} \left(1 - \frac{g_V^l}{g_A^l} \right) = \frac{I_3^l}{Q_l} \left(\frac{-g_R^l}{g_L^l - g_R^l} \right)$$

The request that the tree-level relation holds to all orders fixes the counterterm for $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ on-shell definition

$$\delta \sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{\ell} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{g_L^{\ell} g_R^{\ell}}{(g_L^{\ell} - g_R^{\ell})^2} \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{\delta g_L^{\ell}}{g_L^{\ell}} - \frac{\delta g_R^{\ell}}{g_R^{\ell}}\right)$$

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This scheme allows to express any observable as $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}($

so that templates as a function of $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ can be easily generated

- direct relation between the data and the parameter of interest
- \rightarrow simple estimate of all the systematic effects, theoretical and experimental

The result of the fit in this scheme can be directly combined with LEP results

$$(G_{\mu}, m_Z, \sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep})$$



FCC precision target see A.Blondel, P.Janot arXiv:2106.13885

Observable	Present value \pm error FCC-ee stat. FCC-ee syst. Comment and leading exp. error				Observable	Present value \pm error FCC-ee stat. FCC-ee syst. Comment and leading			
m _Z (keV)	91186700 ± 2200	4	100	From Z line shape scan Beam energy calibration	τ lifetime (fs) τ mass (MoV)	290.3 ± 0.5	0.001	0.04	τ decay physic Radial alignm
$\Gamma_{\rm Z}$ (keV)	2495200 ± 2300	4	25	From Z line shape scan	τ leptonic	1770.80 ± 0.12 1738 ± 0.04	0.004	0.04	e/u/hadron set
$\sin^2 \theta_{\rm W}^{\rm eff}(\times 10^6)$	231480 ± 160	2	2.4	Beam energy calibration from $A_{FB}^{\mu\mu}$ at Z peak Beam energy calibration	$(\mu \nu_{\mu} \nu_{\tau})$ B.R. (%) m _W (MeV)	80350 ± 15	0.25	0.3	From WW thr
$1/\alpha_{\rm QED}({\rm m}_{\rm Z}^2)(\times 10^3)$	128952 ± 14	3	Small	From $A_{FB}^{\mu\mu}$ off peak OED&EW errors dominate	$\Gamma_{\rm W}~({\rm MeV})$	2085 ± 42	1.2	0.3	Beam energy of From WW thr
R^{Z}_{ℓ} (×10 ³)	20767 ± 25	0.06	0.2–1	Ratio of hadrons to leptons Acceptance for leptons	$\alpha_{\rm s}({\rm m}_{\rm W}^2)(\times 10^4)$	1170 ± 420	3	Small	Beam energy of from R^W_ℓ
$\alpha_{s}(m_{z}^{2}) (\times 10^{4})$	1196 ± 30	0.1	0.4–1.6	From R^{Z}_{ℓ} above	$N_{\nu}(\times 10^3)$	2920 ± 50	0.8	Small	Ratio of invis.
$\sigma_{\rm had}^0$ (×10 ³) (nb)	41541 ± 37	0.1	4	Peak hadronic cross section	$m_{top} (MeV/c^2)$	172740 ± 500	17	Small	From tt thresh
N_{1} (v (103)	2006 ± 7	0.005	1	Luminosity measurement	$\Gamma_{top} (MeV/c^2)$	1410 ± 190	45	Small	QCD errors do From $t\bar{t}$ thresh
$N_{\mathcal{V}}(\times 10^{-1})$	2990 ± 7	0.005	1	Luminosity measurement	$\lambda_{top}/\lambda_{top}^{SM}$	1.2 ± 0.3	0.10	Small	QCD errors do From tt thresh
$R_{b} (\times 10^{6})$	216290 ± 660	0.3	< 60	Ratio of bb to hadrons Stat. extrapol. from SLD	ttZ couplings	$\pm 30\%$	0.5–1.5%	Small	From $\sqrt{s} = 30$
$A_{FB}^{b}, 0 \ (\times 10^{4})$	992 ± 16	0.02	1–3	b-quark asymmetry at Z pole From jet charge					
$A_{FB}^{pol,\tau}$ (×10 ⁴)	1498 ± 49	0.15	<2	τ polarization asymmetry					



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The LEP/SLD legacy: $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ determination; two distinct approaches $(m_t, m_H \text{ fit})$



- · SM prediction of xsecs and asymmetries computed as a function of $(\alpha, G_u, m_Z; m_t, m_H)$
- $\cdot m_{t}$ and m_{H} fit to the data to maximise the agreement
- $\cdot \sin^2 \theta_{sc}^{lep}$ has then been computed in the SM using Zfitter/TOPAZ0 with best m_t and m_H values eff and compared with the pseudo observable determination (next slide)



The LEP/SLD legacy: $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ determination; two distinct approaches (pseudoobservables)



• parameterisation of xsecs and asymmetries at the Z resonance in terms of pseudoobservables (\neq SM observables)

$$m_Z, \Gamma_Z, \sigma_{had}^0, R_e^0, R_\mu^0, R_\tau^0, A_{FB}^{0,e}, A_{FB}^{0,\mu}, A_{FB}^{0,\tau}$$

• fit of the Z-resonance model to the data \rightarrow experimental values of the pseudoobservables

 \rightarrow algebraic solution for $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep} \rightarrow$ effective angle

- tree-level relation between the experimental Z decay widths (subtracted of QED/QCD effects). and the ratio g_V/g_A



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The $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ determination from pseudo-observables at LEP depended on:

- high precision in the measurement of the xsec e+e- \rightarrow hadrons
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- subtraction of SM non-factorisable contributions (Zfitter/TOPAZ0)

 \rightarrow factorised expression (initial)x(final) form factors

checked to be small, weakly dependent on $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ and precise compared to the LEP/SLD precision target

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- The LEP precision justified the above assumptions

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 $A_{FB}^{exp}(m_Z^2) - \mathscr{A}_{nonfact} = \frac{3}{4} \mathscr{A}_e \mathscr{A}_f$

• The model of the Z resonance in terms of factorised pseudo observable (\neq SM) contains sin² θ_{eff}^{lep} as extra free parameter

- The analysis was to a large extent model independent, for the New Physics effects appearing in the oblique corrections



The LEP/SLD legacy: $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ determination

The $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ determination from pseudo-observables at LEP depended on:

- high precision in the measurement of the xsec $e+e- \rightarrow$ hadrons
- separation of individual flavours
- deconvolution of large universal QED/QCD corrections (Zfitter/TOPAZ0)
- subtraction of SM non-factorisable contributions (Zfitter/TOPAZ0)

 \rightarrow factorised expression (initial)x(final) form factors

- The LEP precision justified the above assumptions

At future e+e- colliders we (still) have to demonstrate that all the above hypotheses hold we possibly need 3-loop calculation to control the subtraction terms arXiv:1901.02648, 1906.05379 and to define the pseudoobservables

All the pseudoobservables at the Z resonance known at full 2-loop EW I.Dubovyk, A.Freitas, J.Gluza, T.Riemann, J.Usovitsch, arXiv: 1906.08815

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checked to be small, weakly dependent on $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ and precise compared to the LEP/SLD precision target

 $A_{FB}^{exp}(m_Z^2) - \mathcal{A}_{nonfact} = \frac{3}{4} \mathcal{A}_e \mathcal{A}_f$

• The model of the Z resonance in terms of factorised pseudo observable (\neq SM) contains sin² θ_{eff}^{lep} as extra free parameter

• The analysis was to a large extent model independent, for the New Physics effects appearing in the oblique corrections



A proposal

Pro's

- no need to deconvolute QED effects (problematic beyond LL)
- \rightarrow robust and uniquely defined SM description of the observables (xsecs and asymmetries)
- direct access to $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ and direct estimation of the associated uncertainties

Con's or ?

- - \rightarrow need to workout a similar analysis tool in SMEFT to repeat the same study

Thanks to the impressive progress in computing and relying on a scheme where $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ appears among the inputs we can analyse FCC-ee data around the Z resonance using a template fit approach, as in M.Chiesa, F.Piccinini, AV, arXiv: 1906.11569

• no need to subtract non-factorizable corrections (and in any case one has to compute the difficult corrections!)

· possibility to repeat the analysis at different energies (thanks to exact dependence on energy, no resonance expansion)

• this approach provides "only" a consistency test of the SM: the best $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ value in that hypothesis and the associated χ^2 • the precision of the templates must reach an outstanding level \rightarrow reduction of MC fluctuations = very CPU intensive



Theoretical and computational challenges

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QED factorisation in the radiative corrections to $e+e- \rightarrow f$ fbar



The largest QED corrections are associated to soft and/or collinear emissions: L=log(s/me²)~24, *l*=(δE/E)

Factorisation properties of the soft and/or collinear amplitudes allow to separate the bulk of the QED corrections from the hard scattering process

The inclusion of non-factorizable terms, potentially large, requires a complex dedicated study





- L=log(s/me²)~24, $\ell = (\delta E/E)$



Let us discuss as a complete example the NNLO QCD-EW corrections to NC Drell-Yan, preliminary to NNLO-EW





The Neutral Current Drell-Yan cross section in the SM: perturbative expansion

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(h_1 h_2 \to \ell \bar{\ell} + X) &= \sigma^{(0,0)} + \\ & \alpha_s \, \sigma^{(1,0)} + \alpha \, \sigma^{(0,1)} + \\ & \alpha_s^2 \, \sigma^{(2,0)} + \alpha \, \alpha_s \, \sigma^{(1,1)} + \alpha^2 \, \sigma^{(0,2)} + \\ & \alpha_s^3 \, \sigma^{(3,0)} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma(h_1 h_2 \to l\bar{l} + X) = \sum_{i,j=q\bar{q},g,\gamma} \int dx_1 \, dx_2 \, f_i^{h_1}(x_1,\mu_F) f_j^{h_2}(x_2,\mu_F) \, \hat{\sigma}(ij \to l\bar{l} + X)$$

 $q\bar{q} \rightarrow l\bar{l}, \ \gamma\gamma \rightarrow l\bar{l}$ 0 additional partons

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow l\bar{l}g, \ qg \rightarrow l\bar{l}q$$

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow l\bar{l}\gamma, \ q\gamma \rightarrow l\bar{l}q$$

$$\begin{split} q\bar{q} &\rightarrow l\bar{l}g\gamma, qg \rightarrow l\bar{l}q\gamma, q\gamma \rightarrow l\bar{l}qg, g\gamma \rightarrow l\bar{l}q\bar{q} \\ q\bar{q} \rightarrow l\bar{l}q\bar{q}, q\bar{q} \rightarrow l\bar{l}q'\bar{q}', qq' \rightarrow l\bar{l}qq', q\bar{q}' \rightarrow l\bar{l}q\bar{q}', qq \rightarrow l\bar{l}qq \quad \text{at tree level} \\ 52 \end{split}$$

I additional parton

2 additional partons

- $\sigma^{(1,1)}$ requires the evaluation of the xsecs of the following processes, including photon-induced including virtual corrections of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s), \mathcal{O}(\alpha), \mathcal{O}(\alpha \alpha_s)$
 - including virtual corrections of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$
 - including virtual corrections of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$







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Ψυγ 7 double-virtual contributions generation of the amplitudes γ_5 treatment g 2-loop UV renormalization subtraction of the IR divergences solution and evaluation of the Master Integrals g numerical evaluation of the squared matrix element



The double virtual amplitude: generation of the amplitude



 $\mathscr{M}^{(1,1)}(q\bar{q} \to l\bar{l}) =$

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O(1000) self-energies + O(300) vertex corrections +O(130) box corrections + $Iloop \times Iloop$ (before discarding all those vanishing for colour conservation, e.g. no fermonic triangles)

 $\frac{1}{2} \int_{2}^{2} \int_{2}^$

The double virtual amplitude: reduction to Master Integrals

• The thousands of Feynman integrals present in the amplitude can be reduced to a smaller set of "Master Integrals"

$$2 \operatorname{Re} \left(\mathscr{M}^{(1,1)}(\mathscr{M}^{(0,0)})^{\dagger} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{MI}} c_i(s,t,m;\varepsilon) \, \mathscr{T}_i(s,t,m;\varepsilon)$$

• The coefficients c_i are rational functions of the invariants, masses and of ε

The size of the individual expressions can rapidly "explode" to O(IGB) \rightarrow careful work to identify the patterns of recurring subexpressions keeping the total size in the O(I MB) range

- The complexity of the MIs depends on the number of energy scales In NC DY - at NNLO QCD-EW at most 2 internal massive lines with the same mass value
 - at NNLO-EW we may have up to 7 internal massive lines + 2 external massive lines
- Since W and Z are unstable, we must deal with complex-valued masses in the integrals







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We implemented the series expansion approach, for arbitrary complex-valued masses, working in the complex plane of each kinematical variable, one variable at a time

Complete knowledge about the singular structure of the MI can be read directly from the differential equation matrix

The solution can be computed with an arbitrary number of significant digits, but not in closed form \rightarrow semi-analytical

Applicable to an arbitrary integrals with any number of internal/external masses \rightarrow ready for NNLO-EW applications



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Open questions: mass renormalisation scheme at 2-loop EW

resonances require the treatment of the particle decay-width

pole expansions (Laurent expansion of the amplitude) are valid only in the vicinity of the resonances

the complex-mass renormalisation scheme A. Denner, S. Dittmaier, arXiv:hep-ph/0605312 provides a general, gauge invariant, definition of mass: a complex quantity identified as the pole of the propagator in the complex q^2 plane

$$\mu_W^2 = M_W^2 - iM_W\Gamma_W \qquad \qquad \mu_Z^2 = M_Z^2 - iM_W^2 = M_Z^2 - iM_Z^2 - M_Z^2 - M_Z^2$$

$$\delta \mu_V^2 = \Sigma_{VV}(\mu_V^2) \qquad \delta \mathscr{Z}_V = -\Sigma'_{VV}(\mu_V^2)$$

it is formally proven in general (Ward identities satisfied by the Green's functions) but it requires a careful handling of all the imaginary parts of the amplitudes and of the renormalised parameters (e.g. evaluation of the self-energies at complex q^2 avoid double counting of self-energy and vertex terms already present in the complex mass)

not yet systematically explored beyond NLO-EW

need to evaluate the remaining theoretical ambiguities in the mass definition

 $iM_{Z}\Gamma_{Z}$



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cfr. Snowmass 2021 S.Frixione, E.Laenen et al., 2203.12557



Different approaches to

the evaluation to all orders of QED corrections and for the matching with fixed-order calculations:

- I) flux functions (ZFITTER)
- 2) QED Parton Shower solution of DGLAP equations matched at NLO-EW (BabaYaga/HORACE)
- 3) CEEX
- MC@NLO 4)



Leptonic Parton Distribution Functions

S.Frixione, 1909.03886. V.Bertone, M.Cacciari, S.Frixione, G.Stagnitto, arXiv:1911.12040 V.Bertone, M.Cacciari, S.Frixione, G.Stagnitto, M.Zaro, arXiv:2207.03265

$$\sigma(l^+l^- \to f\bar{f} + X) = \sum_{i,j=e^-, e^+, \gamma, q} \int dx_1 \, dx_2 \, f_i$$

Parton Distribution Functions for the leptons

 \rightarrow allow to introduce the collinear factorisation formalism in the description of e+e- collisions

- \rightarrow contrary to the proton case, the initial conditions of the DGLAP equations can be computed from first principles
- → every lepton has a partonic content in terms of (electron, positron, photon, quarks)
- → the resummation to all orders of the initial state collinear logs is available at NLL via DGLAP (NNLL, N3LL yet to come, possible thanks to the corresponding results in QCD)
- Questions:

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 $f_i^{l^+}(x_1,\mu_F)f_i^{l^-}(x_2,\mu_F)\hat{\sigma}(ij \rightarrow f\bar{f} + X)$

- which resummation (soft vs collinear) has the largest impact on the ultimate precision for the Z lineshape prediction ?

- is the matching between all-orders QED and fixed-order EW understood, in presence of unstable particles ?



Conclusions

arising when we consider the ultimate combination of the results obtained at different experiments

- SM corrections can fake a contribution \rightarrow best SM predictions (N3LO-EW ?) can remove the mismatch
- the $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ running can be exploited for a powerful test of the SM \rightarrow relevance of low- and high-mass determinations \rightarrow an additional possibility to exploit the FCC-ee precision at all available energies

to be done: Completion of some the most challenging calculations in the EW SM and in QFT in general

Development of a framework for the description of multiple QED and QCD radiation and matching with fixed-order results

Preparation of efficient tools for the generation of $O(10^{10})$ events needed for a precise fit

The precision determination of one EW parameter like $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lep}$ or $\sin^2 \hat{\theta}(\mu_R)$ is a useful illustration of the problems

- importance of a unique definition \rightarrow need for a scheme which includes the very same weak mixing angle as input





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 A_{FB} m_t parametric uncertainty and perturbative convergence

M.Chiesa, F.Piccinini, AV, arXiv: 1906.11569



prediction for A_{FB} at the LHC in the $(G_{\mu}, m_Z, \sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{\ell})$ input scheme (red), comparison with (G_{μ}, m_W, m_Z)

good control over the systematic uncertainties of the templates used to fit the data faster perturbative convergence

very weak parametric m_t dependence

 $(G_{\mu}, m_Z, \sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{\ell})$ offer a very effective parameterisation of the Z resonance in terms of normalisation, position, shape

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(blue)





Open questions: matching NNLO-EW with QED resummation

in the CEEX matching approach, we need to identify the matching coefficients $\hat{\beta}_n^{(r)}$ between the full calculation and the soft-exponentiated xsec \rightarrow identification of the relevant gauge invariant subsets of the amplitude

The coupling of photons and Ws must be handled with care (respect gauge invariance and avoid double counting of imaginary parts when the virtual corrections are included)



recipes devised at NLO-EW level must be extended at NNLO-EW level, in the complex mass scheme





Matching schemes in the EW sector

ZFITTER flux functions, radiator functions

The complete scattering is described (LEP approach in ZFITTER) as the convolution of a hard scattering cross section with flux functions

$$\sigma(s) = \int ds' \frac{1}{s} \rho(\frac{s'}{s}) \,\sigma(s')$$

The flux functions encode the angular dependence of the final state recoiling against radiation. have been computed at exact $O(\alpha)$ with soft photon exponentiation, for ISR/FSR/IFI, inclusive or with cuts

The formulation naturally arises in the construction and dressing of a Born-improved approximation \rightarrow Are the best available flux functions sufficiently precise and flexible?



 $\rho = \rho_{ISR} + \rho_{FSR} + \rho_{IFI}$



Matching schemes in the EW sector

HORACE / BabaYaga matching scheme

$$d\sigma_{matched}^{\infty} = \Pi_{S}(Q^{2})F_{SV}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} d\hat{\sigma}_{0} \frac{1}{n!} \prod_{i=0}^{n} \left(\frac{\alpha}{2\pi} P(x_{i}) I(k_{i}) dx\right)$$

Monte Carlo event generators for ffbar \rightarrow f'f'bar production with EW corrections multiple photon radiation implemented via QED Parton Shower algorithm resummation to all orders of leading logarithms of collinear and soft origin matching with exact $O(\alpha)$ matrix elements; matrix element corrections applied to all emitted photons (improvement towards $O(\alpha^2)$ accuracy)

→ is it possible to formulate a matching at NNLO level ?

 $F_{SV} = 1 + \frac{d\sigma_{SV}^{\alpha,ex} - d\sigma_{SV}^{\alpha,PS}}{d\sigma_0}$ $dx_i \ d\cos\theta_i \ F_{H,i} = 1 + \frac{d\sigma_{H,i}^{\alpha,ex} - d\sigma_{H,i}^{\alpha,PS}}{d\sigma_{H,i}^{\alpha,PS}}$


Matching schemes in the EW sector

CEEX (Coherent Exclusive EXponentiation)

$$\sigma^{(r)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \int \mathrm{d}\tau_n(p_1 + p_2; \ p_3, p_4, \ k_1, \dots, k_n) \ \mathrm{e}^{2\alpha \Re B_4(p_a, \dots, p_d)} \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\mathrm{spin}} \left| \mathfrak{M}_n^{(r)}(p, k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n) \right|^2$$

$$\mathfrak{M}_{n}^{(r)}(p,k_{1},k_{2},k_{3},\ldots,k_{n}) = \prod_{s=1}^{n} \mathfrak{s}(k_{s}) \left\{ \hat{\beta}_{0}^{(r)}(p) + \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{\hat{\beta}_{1}^{(r)}(p,k_{j})}{\mathfrak{s}(k_{j})} + \sum_{j_{1} < j_{2}} \frac{\hat{\beta}_{2}^{(r)}(p,k_{j_{1}},k_{j_{2}})}{\mathfrak{s}(k_{j_{1}})\mathfrak{s}(k_{j_{2}})} + \cdots \right\}$$

· amplitude level exponentiation of the solt-photon emissions

- soft photon contributions exponentiated on top of any amplitude
- collinear contributions and hard process dependent corrections are systematically included order by order in perturbation theory
- resummation of ISR mass logarithms not possible in this formalism
- KKMC Monte Carlo code for the simulation of fermion-pair production in e+e- annihilation it includes the full O(α) EW, from DIZET (2 \rightarrow 2 process) exact matrix elements for one- and two-photon emissions in QED, properly matched with soft-photon exponentiation à la YFS
- Recent developments for the electron mass dependence of second order corrections arXiv:1910.05759 - Discussion about the matching in a full EW calculation (determination of $\hat{\beta}_n^{(r)}$ coefficients)



MW and the lepton transverse momentum distribution in charged-current Drell-Yan



In the p_{\perp}^{ℓ} spectrum the sensitivity to m_{W} and important QCD features are closely intertwined

The lepton transverse momentum distribution has a jacobian peak induced by the factor $1/\sqrt{1-\frac{1}{4p_{\perp}^2}}$.

When studying the W resonance region, the peak appears at $p_{\perp} \sim \frac{m_W}{2}$

matical end point at
$$\frac{m_W}{2}$$
 at LO

The decay width allows to populate the upper tail of the distribution

Sensitivity to soft radiation \rightarrow double peak at NLO-QCD

The QCD-ISR next-to-leading-log resummation broadens the distribution and cures the sensitivity to soft radiation at the jacobian peak.





MW determination from the WW threshold scan



As the cross section at the WW production threshold is very sensitive to the m_W value

At threshold in lowest order

As long as $\beta \ll 1$, with low-precision requests, MW can be determined in model independent way, based on kinematics alone

For a determination at the sub-MeV level, many details have to be considered, with the preparation of precise SM templates

it is natural to compute the theoretical cross sections in the (G_{μ}, m_W, m_Z) input scheme $\sigma_0(s) \approx \frac{\pi \alpha^2}{s} \frac{1}{4s_W^4} 4\beta + O(\beta^3)$

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MW determination from the WW threshold scan

see arXiv:1903.09895, 1906.05379

With a single point measurement it possible to translate the precision on the xsec into a ΔMW value $\Delta \sigma = 0.1 \% \longrightarrow \Delta M_W = 1.5 \text{ MeV}$ An experimental precision at the $\Delta \sigma = 0.02$ % is foreseen

Theoretical goal: precision of the theoretical prediction $\Delta \sigma = 0.01 \%$

at full NLO-EW + higher order Coulomb effects computed in EFT yielding an uncertainty estimated to be $\Delta M_W \sim 3 \text{ MeV}$

A reduction of $\Delta \sigma$ by one order of magnitude will require the full NNLO-EW calculation $(2 \rightarrow 4 \text{ process}!)$ matched with 3-loop Coulomb enhanced terms computable in the EFT contribution

3-loop contributions without enhancement factors are estimated to be negligible

Full 2-loop QCD corrections to hadronic final states will be needed

The mass definition in the CMS and a gauge invariant handling of the imaginary parts at NNLO-EW will be theoretical / technical points to be discussed Matching with soft QED exponentiation at NNLO level should also be discussed

The current tools available for these analyses allow the simulation of $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^- \rightarrow 4f$

