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Introduction to The Higgs Boson

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### Standard Model



# Standard Model Matter Particles



Elementary particles:

• quarks



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- leptons



# Standard Model Force Carriers



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Energy of 1 gram of mass:

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E = mc^{2} \rightarrow 10^{-3} \text{ kg} \cdot (3 \times 10^{8} \frac{m}{s})^{2} = 9 \times 10^{13} \text{ J}
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1 J = 6.242×10<sup>18</sup> eV  

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E = 5.6 \times 10^{26} \text{MeV}
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#### **Higgs potential**

- the function that describes the energy of the Higgs field
- unique potential shape, often referred as a "mexican hat" or "wine bottle" potential
- this shape allows the field to have a non-zero value even in its lowest-energy state
- non-zero value  $=$  Vacuum Expectation Value (VEV)







#### **Energy state** at  $\phi = 0$ :

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 $\rightarrow$  breaks the rotational symmetry of the field

- rotational symmetry broken → **spontaneous symmetry breaking**
- true vacuum (lowest-energy state)  $\rightarrow$  the field  $\phi$  settles in a new minimum, VEV
- interactions possible  $\rightarrow$  mass generated for particles interacting with the field
- non-zero energy vacuum state  $\rightarrow$  energy due to the Higgs field's VEV
- higgs boson  $\rightarrow$  excitations as Higgs boson





# Higgs Mechanism

#### **Higgs mechanism**

- process by which particles acquire mass through interaction with the Higgs field's VEV
- the Higgs field settles after the symmetry breaking and has a non-zero value everywhere
- other quantum fields are able to interact with the Higgs field
- while interacting, they experience a sort of resistance which is interpreted as mass gain

No interaction:

photons (and gluons)  $\rightarrow$  no mass

#### Direct interaction:

 $W$  and  $Z$  bosons

#### Indirect interaction:

- fermions
- interaction through Yukawa coupling
- Yukawa coupling determines the strength of the interaction between a particular fermion and the Higgs field

Mass is proportional to Yukawa coupling:

- photon:  $m_{\gamma} = 0$  (no coupling)
- electron:  $m_e = 0.511 \text{ MeV}$  (small Yukawa coupling)
- top quark:  $m_t = 173.1$  GeV (very strong Yukawa coupling)

the mass differentiation between the  $W$  and  $Z$  bosons and photons leads to the separation of the weak and electromagnetic forces after symmetry breaking





#### SM Lagrangian

 $\mathcal{L}_{SM}=-\frac{1}{2}\partial_\nu g^a_{\mu}\partial_\nu g^a_{\mu}-g_sf^{abc}\partial_\mu g^a_{\nu}g^b_{\mu}g^c_{\nu}-\frac{1}{4}g^2_sf^{abc}f^{ade}g^b_{\mu}g^c_{\nu}g^d_{\mu}g^e_{\nu}-\partial_\nu W^+_{\mu}\partial_\nu W^-_{\mu} M^2 W^+_\mu W^-_\mu - \frac{1}{2} \partial_\nu Z^0_\mu \partial_\nu Z^0_\mu - \frac{1}{2 c^2} M^2 Z^0_\mu Z^0_\mu - \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu A_\nu \partial_\mu A_\nu - i g c_w (\partial_\nu Z^0_\mu (W^+_\mu W^-_\nu W_{\nu}^{+}W_{\mu}^{-}\big) - Z_{\nu}^{0}(W_{\mu}^{+}\partial_{\nu}W_{\mu}^{-} - W_{\mu}^{-}\partial_{\nu}W_{\mu}^{+}) + Z_{\mu}^{0}(W_{\nu}^{+}\partial_{\nu}W_{\mu}^{-} - W_{\nu}^{-}\partial_{\nu}W_{\mu}^{+}))$  $i g s_w (\partial_\nu A_\mu (W^+_\nu W^-_\nu - W^+_\nu W^-_\nu) - A_\nu (W^+_\nu \partial_\nu W^-_\nu - W^-_\nu \partial_\nu W^+_\nu) + A_\mu (W^+_\nu \partial_\nu W^-_\nu W^-_\nu \partial_\nu W^+_\mu)) - \frac{1}{2} g^2 W^+_\mu W^-_\mu W^+_\nu W^-_\nu + \frac{1}{2} g^2 W^+_\mu W^-_\nu W^+_\mu W^-_\nu + g^2 c_w^2 (Z^0_\mu W^+_\mu Z^0_\nu W^-_\nu Z_u^0 Z_u^0 W_\nu^+ W_\nu^- + g^2 s_w^2 (A_\mu W_\mu^+ A_\nu W_\nu^- - A_\mu A_\mu W_\nu^+ W_\nu^-) + g^2 s_w c_w (A_\mu Z_\nu^0 (W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- W_\nu^+W_\mu^- - 2 A_\mu Z_u^0 W_\nu^+W_\nu^- - \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu H \partial_\mu H - 2 M^2 \alpha_h H^2 - \partial_\mu \phi^+ \partial_\mu \phi^- - \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi^0 \partial_\mu \phi^0 \beta_h\left(\frac{2M^2}{a^2}+\frac{2M}{a}H+\frac{1}{2}(H^2+\phi^0\phi^0+2\phi^+\phi^-)\right)+\frac{2M^4}{a^2}\alpha_h$  $g\alpha_h M (H^3 + H\phi^0\phi^0 + 2H\phi^+\phi^-) \frac{1}{2}g^2\alpha_h(H^4 + (\phi^0)^4 + 4(\phi^+\phi^-)^2 + 4(\phi^0)^2\phi^+\phi^- + 4H^2\phi^+\phi^- + 2(\phi^0)^2H^2)$  $gMW_{\mu}^{+}W_{\mu}^{-}H - \frac{1}{2}g\frac{M}{c^2}Z_{\mu}^{0}Z_{\mu}^{0}H \frac{1}{2}ig\left(W_u^+(\phi^0\partial_\mu\phi^- - \phi^-\partial_\mu\phi^0) - W_u^-(\phi^0\partial_\mu\phi^+ - \phi^+\partial_\mu\phi^0)\right) +$  $\frac{1}{2}g\left(W_u^+(H\partial_\mu\phi^- - \phi^-\partial_\mu H) + W_u^-(H\partial_\mu\phi^+ - \phi^+\partial_\mu H)\right) + \frac{1}{2}g\frac{1}{2}(Z_u^0(H\partial_\mu\phi^0 - \phi^0\partial_\mu H) +$  $M\left(\frac{1}{c_1}Z_u^0\partial_\mu\phi^0+W_\mu^+\partial_\mu\phi^-+W_\mu^-\partial_\mu\phi^+\right)-ig\frac{s_w^2}{c_1}MZ_u^0(W_\mu^+\phi^- -W_\mu^-\phi^+)+ig s_w MA_\mu(W_\mu^+\phi^- -W_\mu^-\phi^+)$  $W_\mu^-\phi^+)-ig\textstyle{\frac{1-2c_w^2}{2c_w}}Z_\mu^0(\phi^+\partial_\mu\phi^--\phi^-\partial_\mu\phi^+)+ig s_w A_\mu(\phi^+\partial_\mu\phi^--\phi^-\partial_\mu\phi^+) \frac{1}{4}g^2W_u^+W_u^-(H^2+(\phi^0)^2+2\phi^+\phi^-)-\frac{1}{8}g^2\frac{1}{r^2}Z_u^0Z_u^0(H^2+(\phi^0)^2+2(2s_w^2-1)^2\phi^+\phi^-) \frac{1}{2}g^2\frac{s_w^2}{s_w}Z^0_\mu\phi^0(W_\mu^+\phi^-+W_\mu^-\phi^+) - \frac{1}{2}ig^2\frac{s_w^2}{s_w}Z^0_\mu H(W_\mu^+\phi^- - W_\mu^-\phi^+) + \frac{1}{2}g^2s_wA_\mu\phi^0(W_\mu^+\phi^- +$  $W_{\mu\nu}^-\phi^+) + \frac{1}{2}ig^2s_wA_{\mu}H(W_{\mu}^+\phi^- - W_{\mu}^-\phi^+) - g^2\frac{s_w}{c}(2c_w^2-1)\tilde{Z}_{\mu}^0A_{\mu}\phi^+\phi^-$  $g^2s_w^2A_\mu A_\mu^{\ \mu} \phi^+ \phi^- + \frac{1}{2}ig_s\lambda_{ii}^a(\bar{q}_i^\sigma\gamma^\mu q_i^\sigma)g_u^a - \bar{e}^{\lambda}(\gamma\partial + m_e^{\lambda})e^{\lambda} - \bar{\nu}^{\lambda}(\gamma\partial + m_\nu^{\lambda})\nu^\lambda - \bar{u}_i^{\lambda}(\gamma\partial + m_\nu^{\lambda})\nu^\lambda$  $\left(m_u^{\lambda}\right)u_j^{\lambda}-\bar{d}_j^{\lambda}(\gamma\partial+m_d^{\lambda})d_j^{\lambda}+ig s_w A_{\mu}\left(-(\bar{e}^{\lambda}\gamma^{\mu}e^{\lambda})+\frac{2}{3}(\bar{u}_j^{\lambda}\gamma^{\mu}u_j^{\lambda})-\frac{1}{3}(\bar{d}_j^{\lambda}\gamma^{\mu}d_j^{\lambda})\right)+$  $\frac{ig}{4c_m}Z_u^0\{(\bar{\nu}^\lambda\gamma^\mu(1+\gamma^5)\nu^\lambda) + (\bar{e}^\lambda\gamma^\mu(4s_w^2-1-\gamma^5)e^\lambda) + (\bar{d}_i^\lambda\gamma^\mu(\frac{4}{3}s_w^2-1-\gamma^5)d_i^\lambda) +$  $(\bar{u}_j^{\lambda}\gamma^{\mu}\tilde{u}\left(1-\frac{8}{3}s_w^2+\gamma^5)u_j^{\lambda}\right)+\frac{ig}{2\sqrt{2}}W^+_{\mu}\left((\bar{\nu}^{\lambda}\gamma^{\mu}(1+\gamma^5)U^{lep}{}_{\lambda\kappa}e^{\kappa})+(\bar{u}_j^{\lambda}\gamma^{\mu}(1+\gamma^5)C_{\lambda\kappa}d_j^{\kappa})\right)+$  $\frac{ig}{2\sqrt{2}}W^-_\mu\left((\bar{e}^\kappa U^{lep}_{\kappa\lambda}\gamma^\mu(1+\gamma^5)\nu^\lambda)+(\bar{d}_i^\kappa C_{\kappa\lambda}^\dagger\gamma^\mu(1+\gamma^5)u_i^\lambda)\right)+$  $\frac{ig}{2M\sqrt{2}}\phi^+\left(-m_e^{\kappa}(\bar{\nu}^{\lambda}U^{lep}{}_{\lambda\kappa}(1-\gamma^5)e^{\kappa}\right)+m_{\nu}^{\lambda}(\bar{\nu}^{\lambda}U^{lep}{}_{\lambda\kappa}(1+\gamma^5)e^{\kappa}\right)+$  $\frac{ig}{2M\sqrt{2}}\phi^{-}\left(m_e^{\lambda}(\bar{e}^{\lambda}U^{lep}\dot{)}_{\lambda\kappa}(1+\gamma^5)\nu^{\kappa}\right)-m_{\nu}^{\kappa}(\bar{e}^{\lambda}U^{lep}\dot{)}_{\lambda\kappa}(1-\gamma^5)\nu^{\kappa}\right)-\frac{g}{2}\frac{m_{\nu}^{\lambda}}{M}H(\bar{\nu}^{\lambda}\nu^{\lambda}) -\frac{g}{2}\frac{m_c^{\lambda}}{M}H(\bar{e}^{\lambda}e^{\lambda})+\frac{ig}{2}\frac{m_{\nu}^{\lambda}}{M}\phi^0(\bar{\nu}^{\lambda}\gamma^5\nu^{\lambda})-\frac{ig}{2}\frac{m_c^{\lambda}}{M}\phi^0(\bar{e}^{\lambda}\gamma^5e^{\lambda})-\frac{1}{4}\bar{\nu}_{\lambda}M_{\lambda\kappa}^R(1-\gamma_5)\hat{\nu}_{\kappa} -\frac{1}{4}\overline{\nu_\lambda} M_{\lambda\kappa}^R(1-\gamma_5)\hat{\nu}_\kappa+\frac{ig}{2M\sqrt{2}}\phi^+\left(-m_d^{\kappa}(\bar{u}_j^{\lambda}\hat{C}_{\lambda\kappa}(1-\gamma^5)d_j^{\kappa})+m_u^{\lambda}(\bar{u}_j^{\lambda}C_{\lambda\kappa}(1+\gamma^5)d_j^{\kappa}\right)+$  $\frac{ig}{2M\sqrt{2}}\phi^-\left(m_d^{\lambda}(\bar{d}_j^{\lambda}C^{\dagger}_{\lambda\kappa}(1+\gamma^5)u_j^{\kappa})-m_u^{\kappa}(\bar{d}_j^{\lambda}C^{\dagger}_{\lambda\kappa}(1-\gamma^5)u_j^{\kappa}\right)-\frac{g}{2}\frac{m_u^{\lambda}}{M}H(\bar{u}_j^{\lambda}u_j^{\lambda}) \frac{g}{2}\frac{m_d^{\lambda}}{M}H(\bar{d}_{\lambda}^{\lambda}\bar{d}_{\lambda}^{\lambda})+\frac{ig}{2}\frac{m_u^{\lambda}}{M}\phi^0(\bar{u}_{\lambda}^{\lambda}\gamma^5u_{\lambda}^{\lambda})-\frac{ig}{2}\frac{m_d^{\lambda}}{M}\phi^0(\bar{d}_{\lambda}^{\lambda}\gamma^5d_{\lambda}^{\lambda})+\bar{G}^a\partial^2G^a+g_sf^{abc}\partial_\mu\bar{G}^aG^bg^c_{\mu}+$  $\bar{X}^+(\partial^2 - M^2)X^+ + \bar{X}^-(\partial^2 - M^2)X^- + \bar{X}^0(\partial^2 - \frac{M^2}{c^2})X^0 + \bar{Y}\partial^2 Y + igc_w W_u^+(\partial_\mu \bar{X}^0 X^- \partial_\mu \bar{X}^+ X^0) + ig s_w W^+_u (\partial_\mu \bar{Y} X^- - \partial_\mu \bar{X}^+ \bar{Y}) + ig c_w W^-_u (\partial_\mu \bar{X}^- X^0 \partial_\mu \bar{X}^0 X^+) + ig s_w W^-_\mu (\partial_\mu \bar{X}^- Y - \partial_\mu \bar{Y} X^+) + ig c_w Z^0_u (\partial_\mu \bar{X}^+ X^+ - \partial_\mu \bar{Y}^0 X^-)$  $\partial_\mu \bar X^- X^-) + ig s_w A_\mu (\partial_\mu \bar X^+ X^+ \partial_{\mu}\bar{X}^{-}X^{-})-\frac{1}{2}gM\left(\bar{X}^{+}X^{+}H+\bar{X}^{-}X^{-}H+\frac{1}{c_{m}^{2}}\bar{X}^{0}X^{0}H\right)+\frac{1-2c_{m}^{2}}{2c_{m}}igM\left(\bar{X}^{+}X^{0}\phi^{+}-\bar{X}^{-}X^{0}\phi^{-}\right)+$  $\frac{1}{2a}igM\left(\bar{X}^0X^-\phi^+ - \bar{X}^0X^+\phi^-\right) + igMs_w\left(\bar{X}^0X^-\phi^+ - \bar{X}^0X^+\phi^-\right) +$  $\frac{1}{2} i g M \left( \bar{X}^+ X^+ \phi^0 - \bar{X}^- X^- \phi^0 \right)$ .

# Standard Model Cup

Dynamics of gauge fields associated with the force carriers:

- $\gamma \rightarrow$  electromagnetic force
- W and  $Z \rightarrow$  weak force
- $g \rightarrow$  strong force

Yukawa coupling term describing how fermions gain mass through their interaction with the Higgs field  $\phi$ .

 $y_{ij} \rightarrow$  Yukawa coupling constant determining the strength of interaction with the Higgs field

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Kinetic term for fermions and their interactions with the gauge fields.

•  $\psi \rightarrow$  fermion field

 $D \rightarrow$  covariant derivative showing interactions with gauge fields

Higgs field's kinetic and potential terms.

- $\left| D_{\mu} \phi \right|^2 \to \text{kinetic term for the}$ Higgs field
- $V(\phi) \rightarrow$  Higgs potential driving the Higgs mechanism for giving mass to particles

### $Higgs \rightarrow Di-Tau$





# Branching Ratios



#### **50 years journey:**

- predicted in 1964 by Peter Higgs
- contribution from other physicists: François Englert, Robert Brout, Gerald Guralnik, C.R. Hagen, and Tom Kibble
- Mass anywhere between  $10 1000$  GeV
- Decays instantaneously, very tiny window to observe it
- The search was considered almost impossible:

We should perhaps finish with an apology and a caution. We apologize to experimentalists for having no idea what is the mass of the Higgs boson, unlike the case with charm [3,4] and for not being sure of its couplings to other particles, except that they are probably all very small. For these reasons we do not want to encourage big experimental searches for the Higgs boson, but we do feel that people performing experiments vulnerable to the Higgs boson should know how it may turn up.

- Technology cought up in 80s with particle colliders
- Still evaded detection for a few decades
- Each null result narrowed the possible mass range
- Early days of the LHC  $\rightarrow$  mass window narrowed down to 115  $-$  130 GeV

#### A PHENOMENOLOGICAL PROFILE OF THE HIGGS BOSON

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### Discovery



- First collisions: March 30, 2010
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- Discovery: July 4, 2012
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### What Now?

#### **So far so good:**

- Since the discovery, more data was accumulated
- Everything points the Higgs boson being consistent with the SM

#### **Still, many unanswered questions:**

- What explains the Higgs mass at 125.35 GeV?
- Are there more Higgs bosons?
- Is it connected to Dark Matter?
- Where is all the antimatter in the universe?

#### **ENERGY DISTRIBUTION** OF THE UNIVERSE



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# **Thank you for your attention!**