

Towards a precise picture of electroweak precision observables

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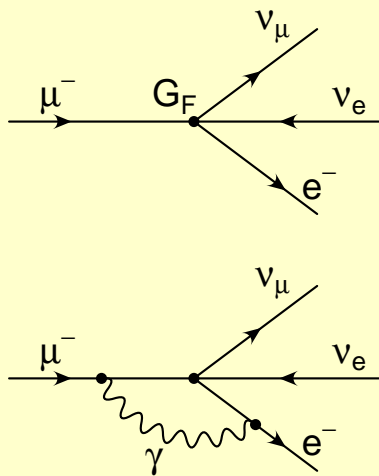
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Electroweak precision observables

W mass

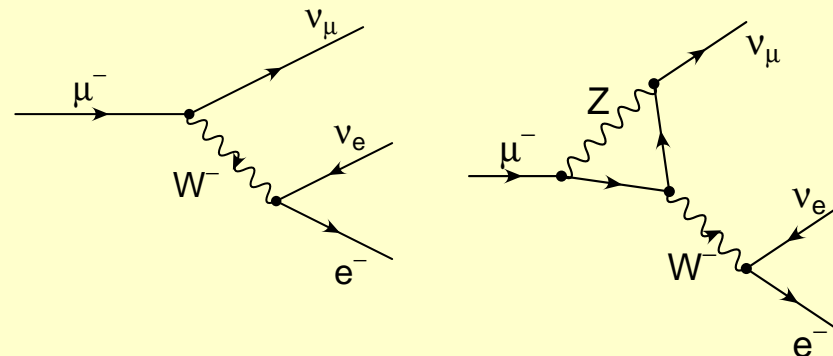
μ decay in Fermi Model



$$\Gamma_\mu = \frac{G_F^2 m_\mu^5}{192\pi^3} F\left(\frac{m_e^2}{m_\mu^2}\right) (1 + \Delta q)$$

Ritbergen, Stuart '98

μ decay in Standard Model



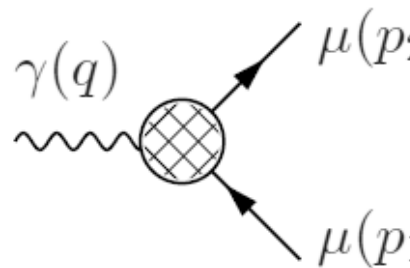
$$\frac{G_F^2}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{e^2}{8s_w^2 M_W^2} (1 + \Delta r)$$

electroweak corrections

Experiment: $M_W = 80.385 \pm 0.015$ GeV

PDG '12

Muon anomalous magnetic moment



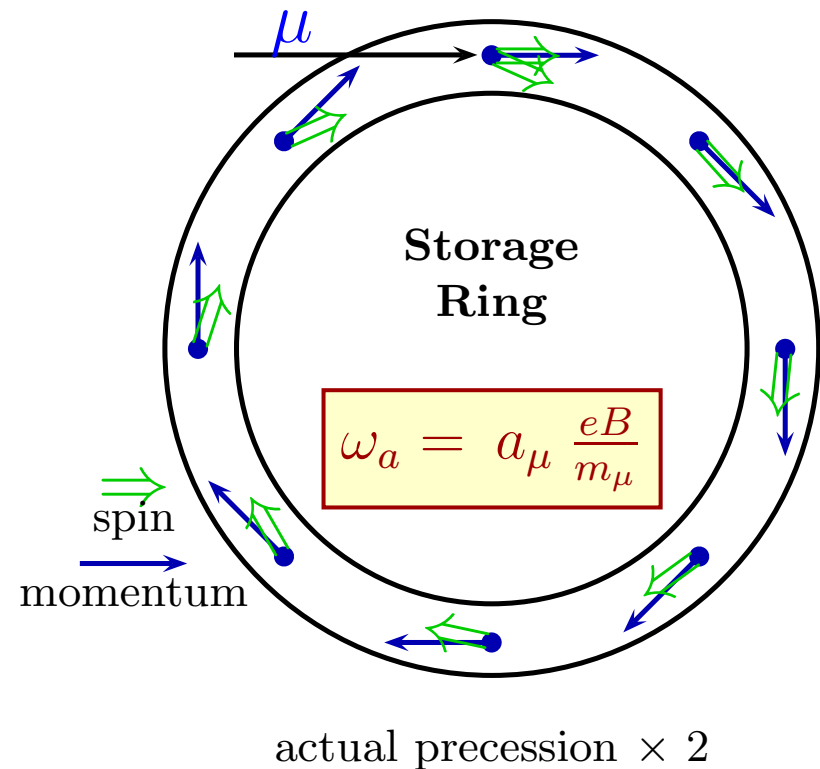
A Feynman diagram showing a muon vertex. A wavy line labeled $\gamma(q)$ enters from the left into a shaded circular vertex. Two muon lines, labeled $\mu(p_1)$ and $\mu(p_2)$, enter and exit the vertex from the bottom and top respectively.

$$= (-ie) \bar{u}(p_2) \left[\gamma^\mu F_E(q^2) + i \frac{\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{2m_\mu} F_M(q^2) \right] u(p_1)$$

$$a_\mu = F_M(0)$$

Measured at NBL g-2 experiment:

$$a_\mu = (11\,659\,208.0 \pm 6.3) \times 10^{-10}$$



Z-pole observables

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QED/QCD corrections on ext. fermions

Chetyrkin, Kataev, Tkachov '79

Dine, Sphirstein '79

Celmaster, Gonsalves '80

Gorishnii, Kataev, Larin '88,91

Chetyrkin, Kühn '90

etc...

Surguladze, Samuel '91

Kataev '92

Chetyrkin '93

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additional initial-state QED corrections

Kuraev, Fadin '85

Berends, Burgers, v. Neerven '88

Kniehl, Krawczyk, Kühn, Stuart '88

Beenakker, Berends, v. Neerven '89

Bardin et al. '89,91

Montagna, Nicosini, Piccinini '97

etc...

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electroweak corrections

Z-pole observables

Measured quantities:

$$\blacksquare \sigma_{\text{had}}^0 = \frac{12\pi\Gamma_{ee}\Gamma_{\text{had}}}{m_Z^2 \Gamma_Z^2}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{had}}^0 = 41.540 \pm 0.037 \text{ nb}$$

$$\blacksquare R_f = \Gamma_{ff}/\Gamma_{\text{had}}$$

$$R_b = 0.21629 \pm 0.00066$$

$$\blacksquare \Gamma_Z$$

$$\Gamma_Z = 2.4952 \pm 0.0023 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\blacksquare A_{\text{FB}}^f \equiv \frac{\sigma(\theta < \frac{\pi}{2}) - \sigma(\theta > \frac{\pi}{2})}{\sigma(\theta < \frac{\pi}{2}) + \sigma(\theta > \frac{\pi}{2})} = \frac{3}{4}\mathcal{A}_e\mathcal{A}_f$$

$$A_{\text{FB}}^b = 0.0992 \pm 0.0016$$

$$\blacksquare A_{\text{LR}} \equiv \frac{\sigma(\mathcal{P}_e > 0) - \sigma(\mathcal{P}_e < 0)}{\sigma(\mathcal{P}_e > 0) + \sigma(\mathcal{P}_e < 0)} = \mathcal{A}_e$$

$$A_{\text{LR}} = 0.1513 \pm 0.0021$$

→ Each observable involves several theoretical building blocks, in different combinations

Techniques for ≥ 2 -loop corrections

Challenges:

- Large number of diagrams and tensor integrals, $\mathcal{O}(100) - \mathcal{O}(10000)$
- Many different scales (masses and ext. momenta)

Computer algebra methods:

- Generation of diagrams with *FeynArts*, *QGraf*, ...
Küblbeck, Eck, Mertig '92, Hahn '01
Nogueira '93
- Dirac/Lorentz algebra with *Form*, *FeynCalc*, ...
Vermaseren '89,00
Mertig '93

Evaluation of loop integrals:

- In general not possible analytically
- Numerical methods must be automizable, stable, fastly converging
- Need procedure for isolating divergent pieces

Analytic calculations

- Useful for diagrams with up to two scales
(e.g. M_W & m_t or M_W & M_Z)
- Reduce to master integrals with integration-by-parts and Lorentz-invariance identities
Chetyrkin, Tkachov '81
Gehrmann, Remiddi '00
Laporta '00
- Evaluate master integrals with differential equations or Mellin-Barnes representations
Kotikov '91
Remiddi '97
Smirnov '00,01

Example applications:

$Z f \bar{f}$ QED vertex corrections

Gorishnii, Kataev, Larin '88,91
Bonciani, Mastrolia, Remiddi '03

$Z f \bar{f}$ electroweak 2-loop vertex diagrams with massless fermions

Awramik, Czakon, Freitas, Weiglein '04

Asymptotic expansions

- Exploit large mass ratios,
e. g. $M_Z^2/m_t^2 \approx 1/4$
- Simplifies diagrams to 2-loop tadpoles and 1-loop vertices
- Fast numerical evaluation

Example applications:

$Zf\bar{f}$ ew. 2-loop vertex corrections

Barbieri et al. '92,93

Fleischer, Tarasov, Jegerlehner '93,95

Degrassi, Gambino, Sirlin '97

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$\mathcal{O}(\alpha\alpha_S^n)$ corr. to $\Delta\rho$, Δr , ...

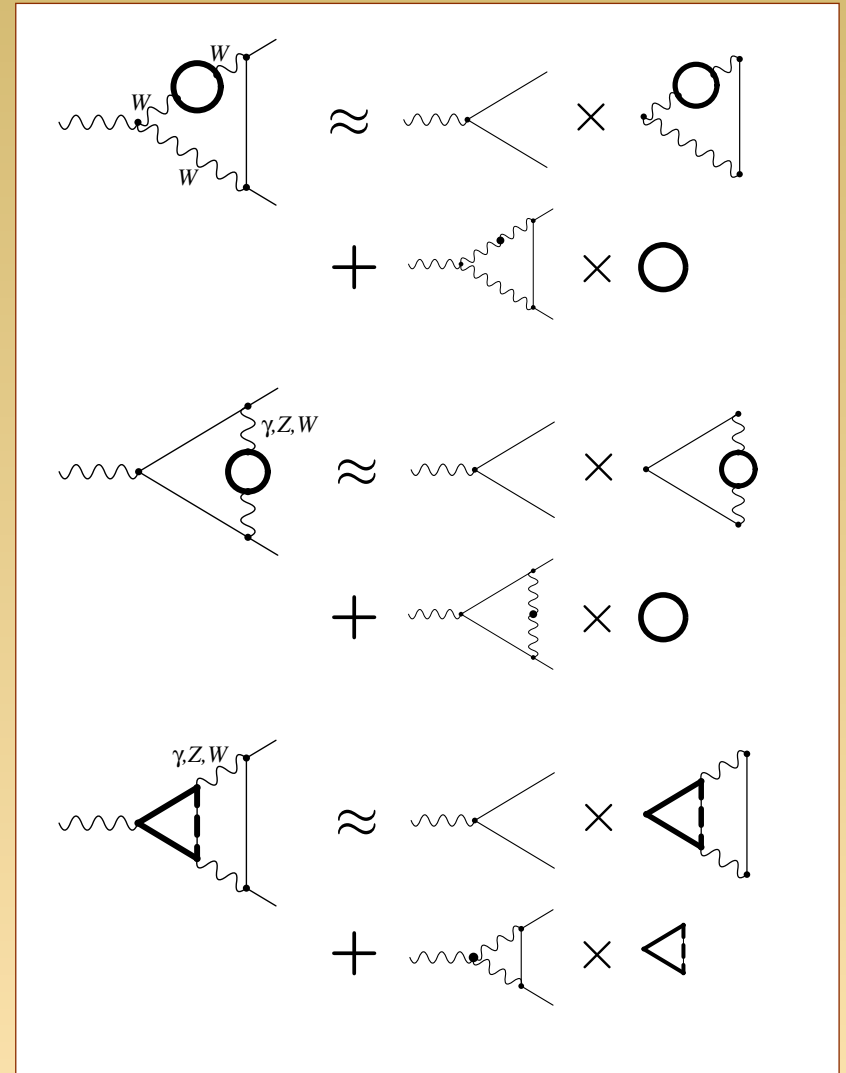
Djouadi, Verzegnassi '87

Bardin, Chizhov '88

Chetyrkin, Kühn, Steinhauser '95

Faisst, Kühn, Seidensticker Veretin '03

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Dispersion relations

Topologies with **self-energy sub-loop** can easily be integrated by using dispersion relation for B_0 function: S. Bauberger et al. '95

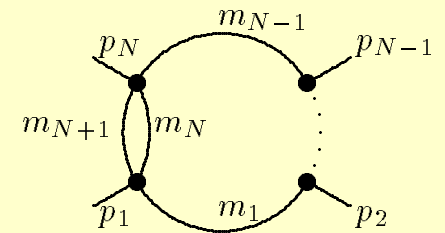
$$B_0(p^2, m_1^2, m_2^2) = - \int_{(m_1+m_2)^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{\Delta B_0(s, m_1^2, m_2^2)}{s - p^2}$$

with
$$\Delta B_0(s, m_1^2, m_2^2) = (4\pi\mu^2)^{4-D} \frac{\Gamma(D/2 - 1)}{\Gamma(D - 2)} \frac{\lambda^{(D-3)/2}(s, m_1^2, m_2^2)}{s^{D/2-1}},$$

$$\lambda(a, b, c) = (a - b - c)^2 - 4bc$$

$$T_{N+1}(p_i; m_i^2) = - \int_{s_0}^{\infty} ds \Delta B_0(s, m_N^2, m_{N+1}^2)$$

$$\times \int d^4q \frac{1}{q^2 - s} \frac{1}{(q+p_1)^2 - m_1^2} \cdots \frac{1}{(q+p_1+\cdots+p_{N-1})^2 - m_{N-1}^2}$$



Application: M_W at 2-loop

Freitas, Hollik, Walter, Weiglein '00
Awramik, Czakon '02, Onishchenko, Veretin '02

Dispersion relations

Dispersion relations for **triangle subloops** possible, but difficult

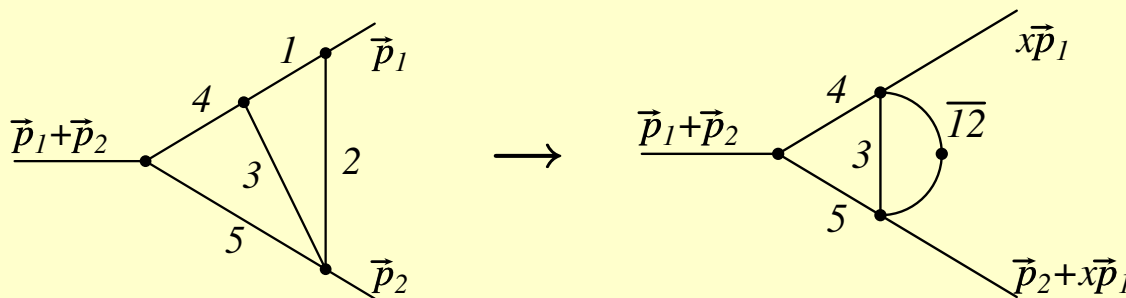
→ Alternative approach: Introduce Feynman parameters

J. v.d.Bij, A. Ghinculov '94

$$\frac{1}{(q + p_1)^2 - m_1^2} \frac{1}{(q + p_2)^2 - m_2^2} = \int_0^1 dx \frac{1}{[(q + \bar{p})^2 - \bar{m}^2]^2}$$

$$\bar{p} = x p_1 + (1 - x)p_2, \quad \bar{m} = x m_1 + (1 - x)m_2 - x(1 - x)(p_1 - p_2)^2$$

Reduces triangle to self-energy sub-loops:



Application: $Z f \bar{f}$ vertex corrections

Awramik, Czakon, Freitas '04

Feynman parameter integration

General form of Feynman integral:

$$I = \int_0^1 dx_1 \dots dx_n \delta(1 - \sum_i x_i) \frac{N(x_i)}{D(x_i)^{r+\varepsilon}}$$

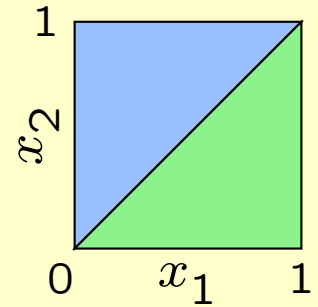
→ Can be integrated numerically (if finite)

Treatment of divergencies:

- **Sector decomposition:** Sub-divide integration space such that divergent terms factorize

Binoth, Heinrich '00,03

→ many applications (see talks by F. Caola, S. Borowka)



- **Subtraction terms:** Remove divergencies with simple terms that can be integrated analytically

Nagy, Soper '03

Becker, Reuschle, Weinzierl '10

Freitas '12

Mellin-Barnes representations

Transform Feynman integral with Mellin-Barnes representation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{(A_0 + \dots + A_m)^Z} &= \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^m} \int_{\mathcal{C}_1} dz_1 \cdots \int_{\mathcal{C}_m} dz_m \\ &\times A_1^{z_1} \cdots A_m^{z_m} A_0^{-Z-z_1-\dots-z_m} \\ &\times \frac{\Gamma(-z_1) \cdots \Gamma(-z_m) \Gamma(Z + z_1 + \dots + z_m)}{\Gamma(Z)}, \end{aligned}$$

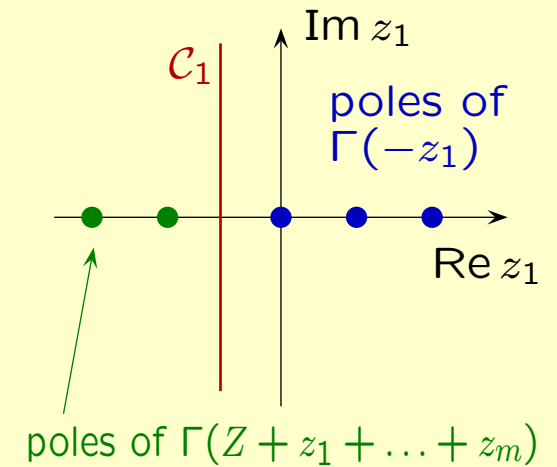
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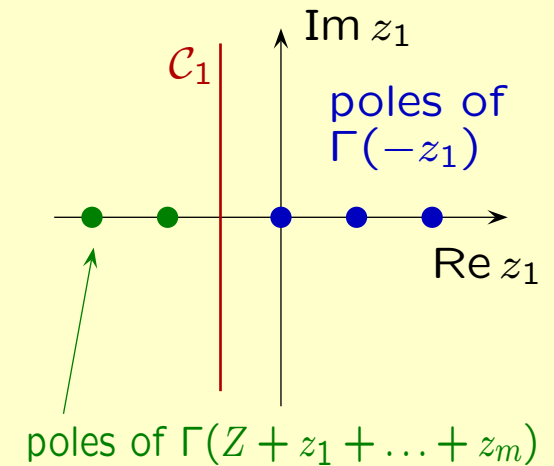
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After Feynman parameter integration: Γ functions and exponentials

Example:

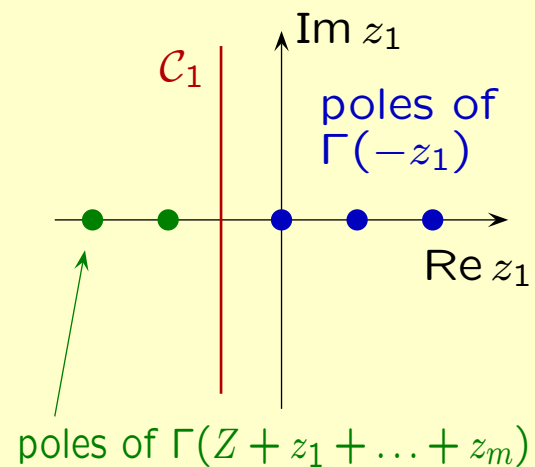
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Mellin-Barnes representations

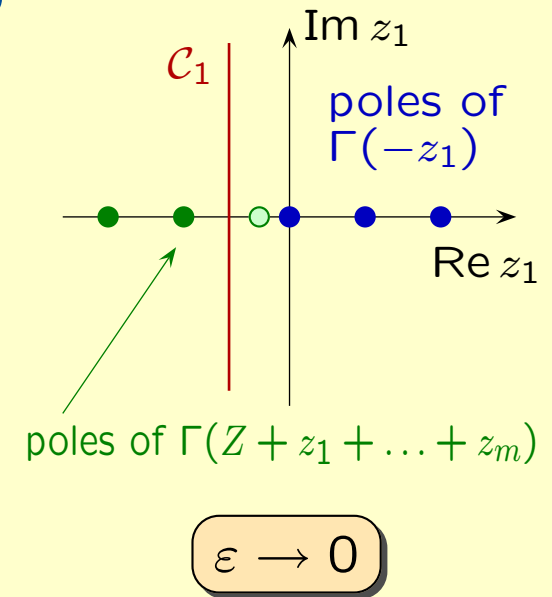
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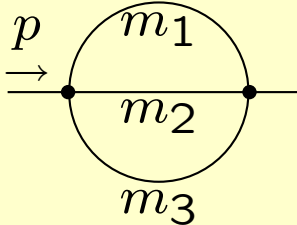
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Mellin-Barnes representations

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- For $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$: residues from pole crossings
→ $1/\varepsilon^k$ terms
Czakon '06
Anastasiou, Daleo '06
- Do remaining \mathcal{C}_i integrations numerically



Mellin-Barnes representations

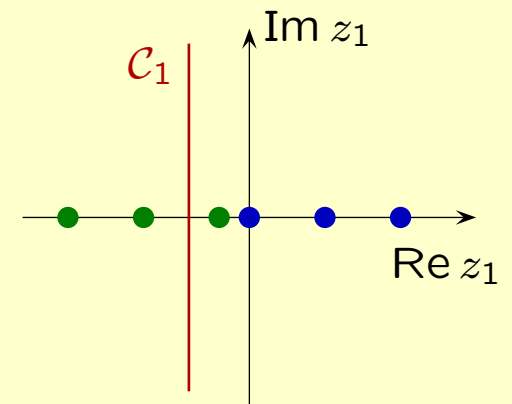


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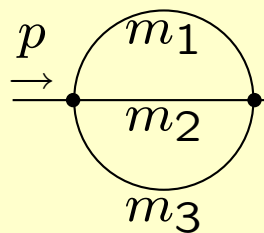
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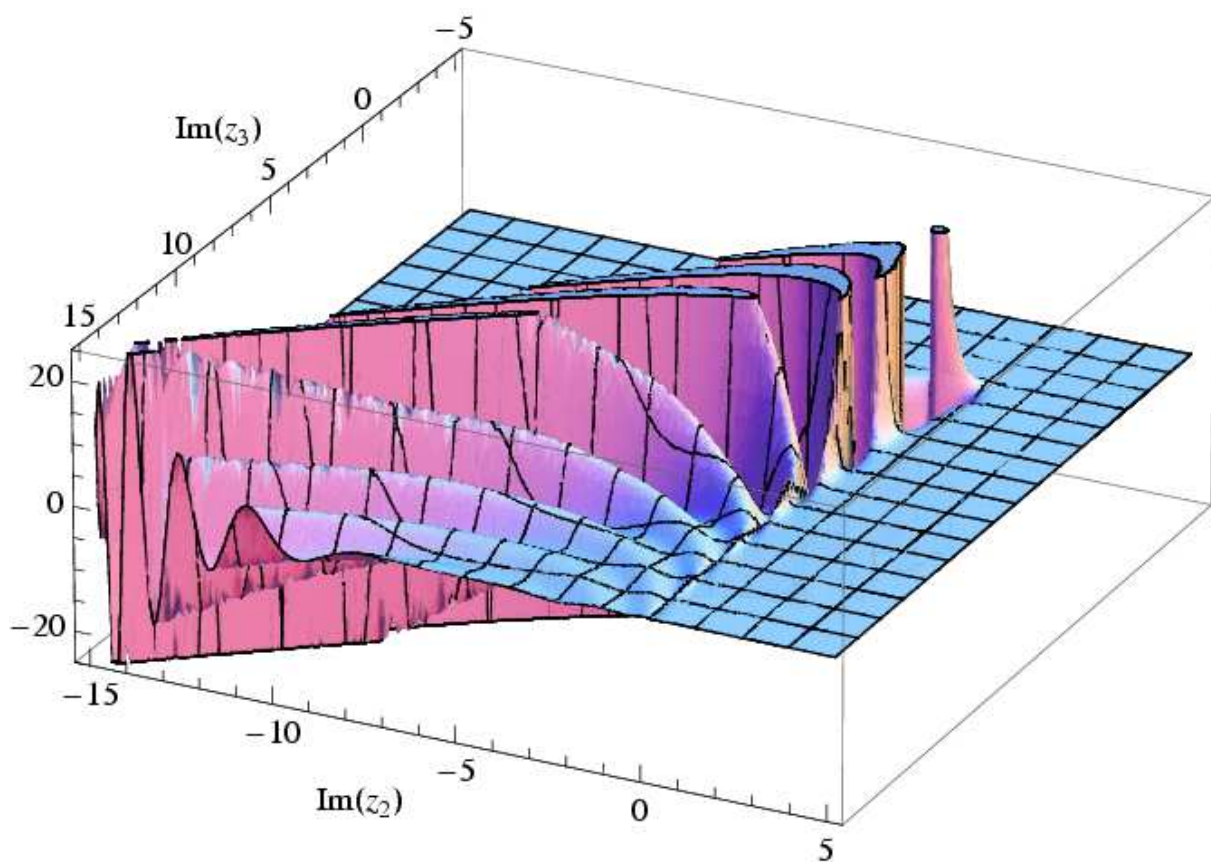
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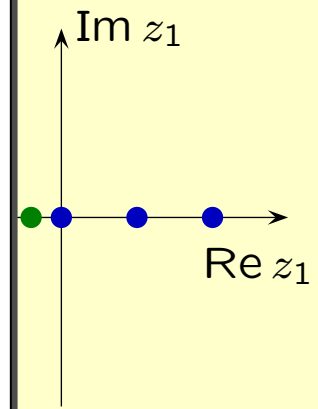
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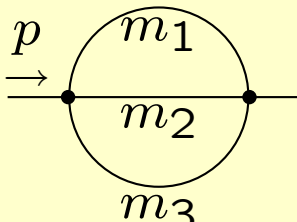
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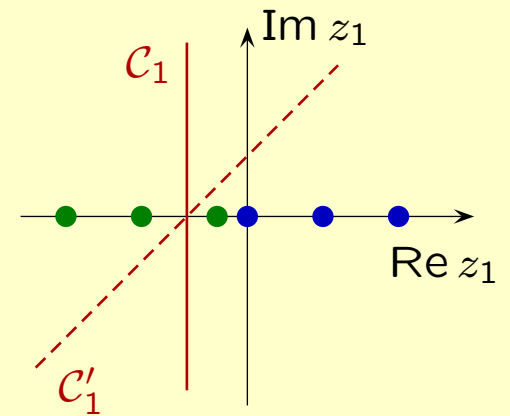
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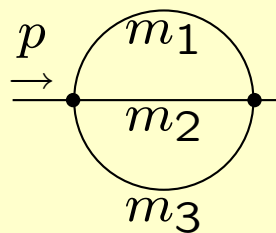
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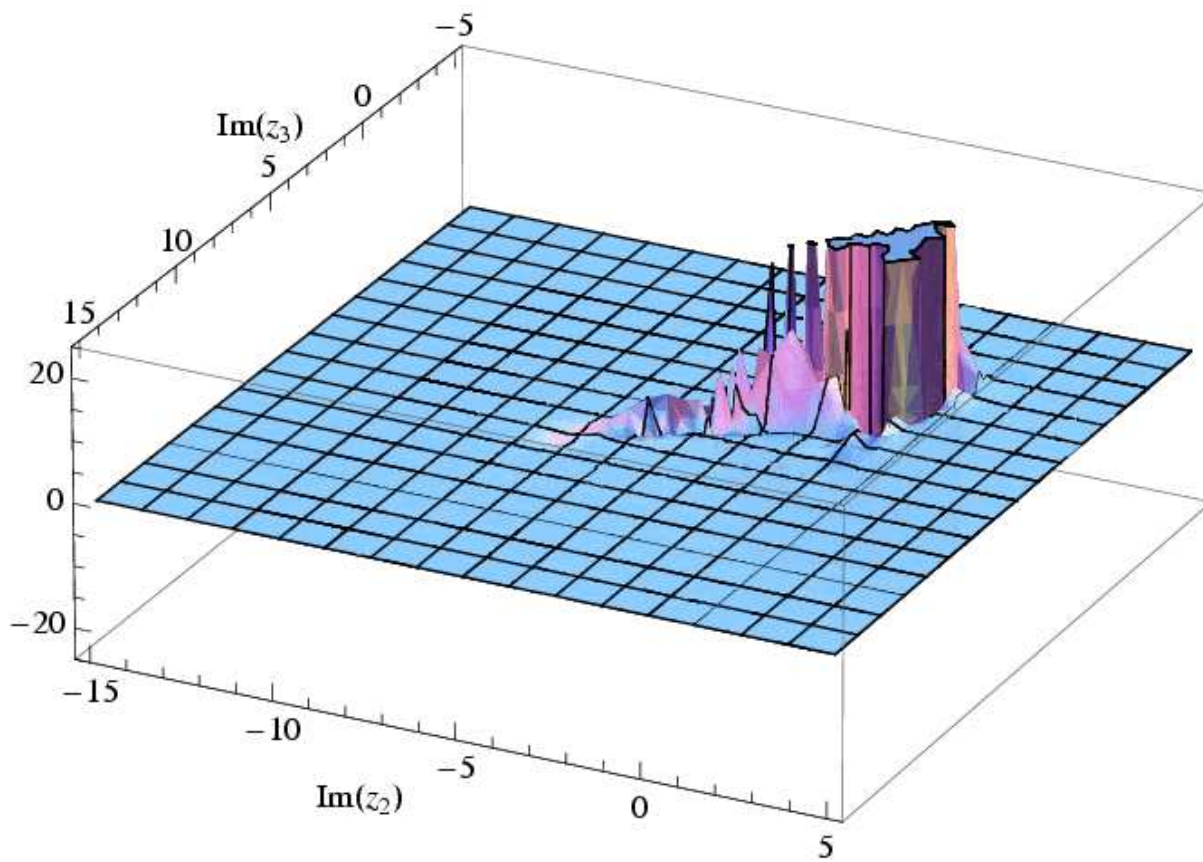
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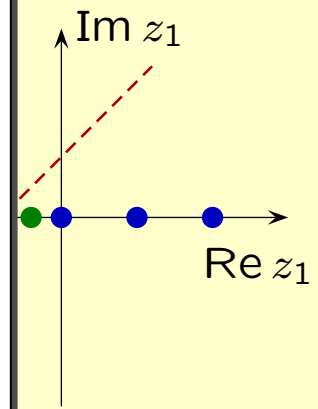
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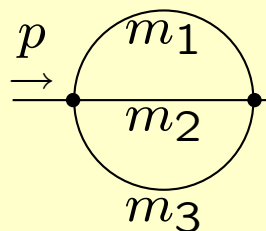
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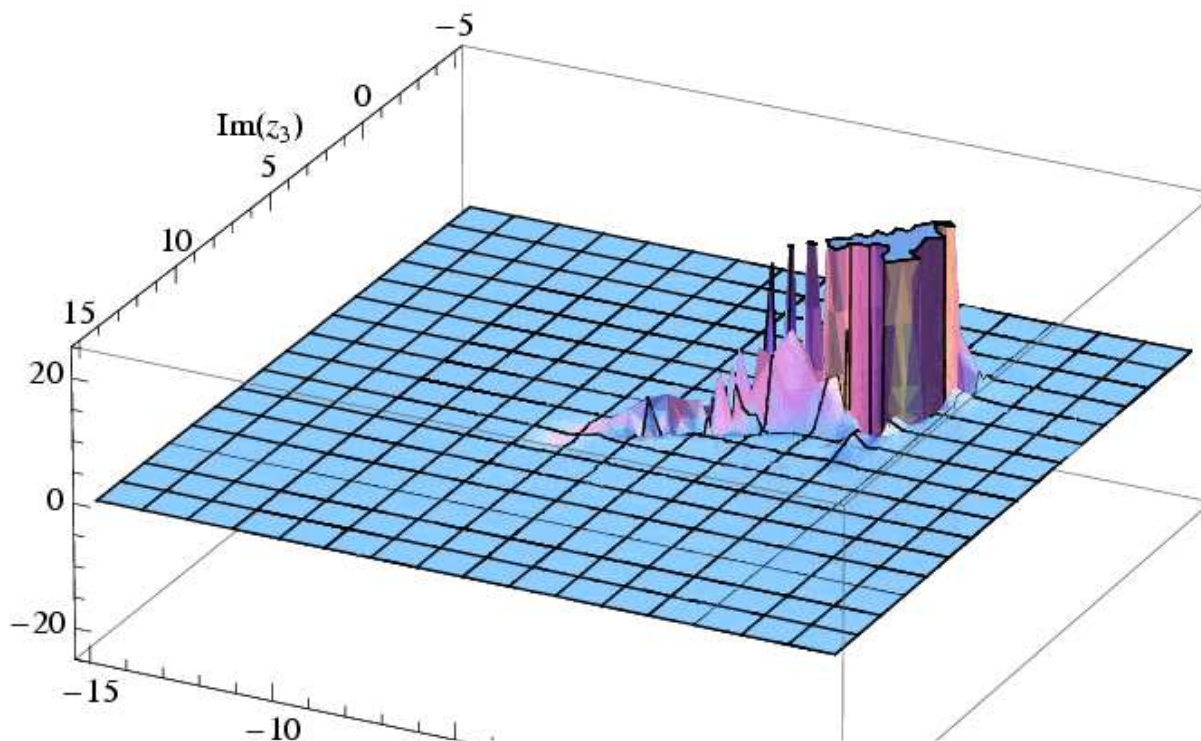


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Application: R_b ew. 2-loop corrections

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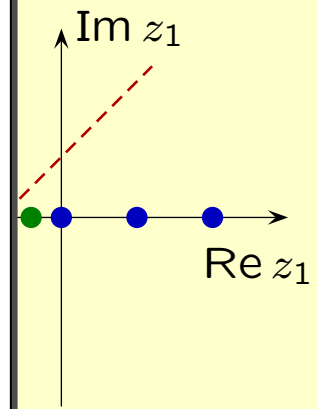
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Current status of SM predictions

M_W :

- Complete NNLO corrections
Freitas, Hollik, Walter, Weiglein '00
Awramik, Czakon '02
Onishchenko, Veretin '02
- Partial 3/4-loop corrections
Chetyrkin, Kühn, Steinhauser '95
Faisst, Kühn, Seidensticker, Veretin '03
Boughezal, Tausk, v. d. Bij '05
Schröder, Steinhauser '05
Chetyrkin et al. '06
Boughezal, Czakon '06
- Theoretical error $\delta_{\text{th}} \sim 4 \text{ MeV}$
mainly from $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2\alpha_s)$, $\mathcal{O}(N_f^{\geq 2}\alpha^3)$
(3-loop self-energies)
- Exp. uncertainty $\delta_{\text{exp}} \sim 15 \text{ MeV}$
 $\delta_{\text{ILC}} \sim 7 \text{ MeV}$

a_μ :

- Complete 5-loop QED
Aoyama, Hayakawa, Kinoshita,
Nio '12
- Complete NNLO
Czarnecki, Krause, Marciano '96
Knecht et al. '02
Czarnecki, Marciano, Vainshtain '03
- Theory error
 $\delta_{\text{th}} \sim 6.5 \times 10^{-10}$
mainly from hadronic
contributions
- Exp. error
 $\delta_{\text{exp}} \sim 6.3 \times 10^{-10}$

Effective weak mixing angles

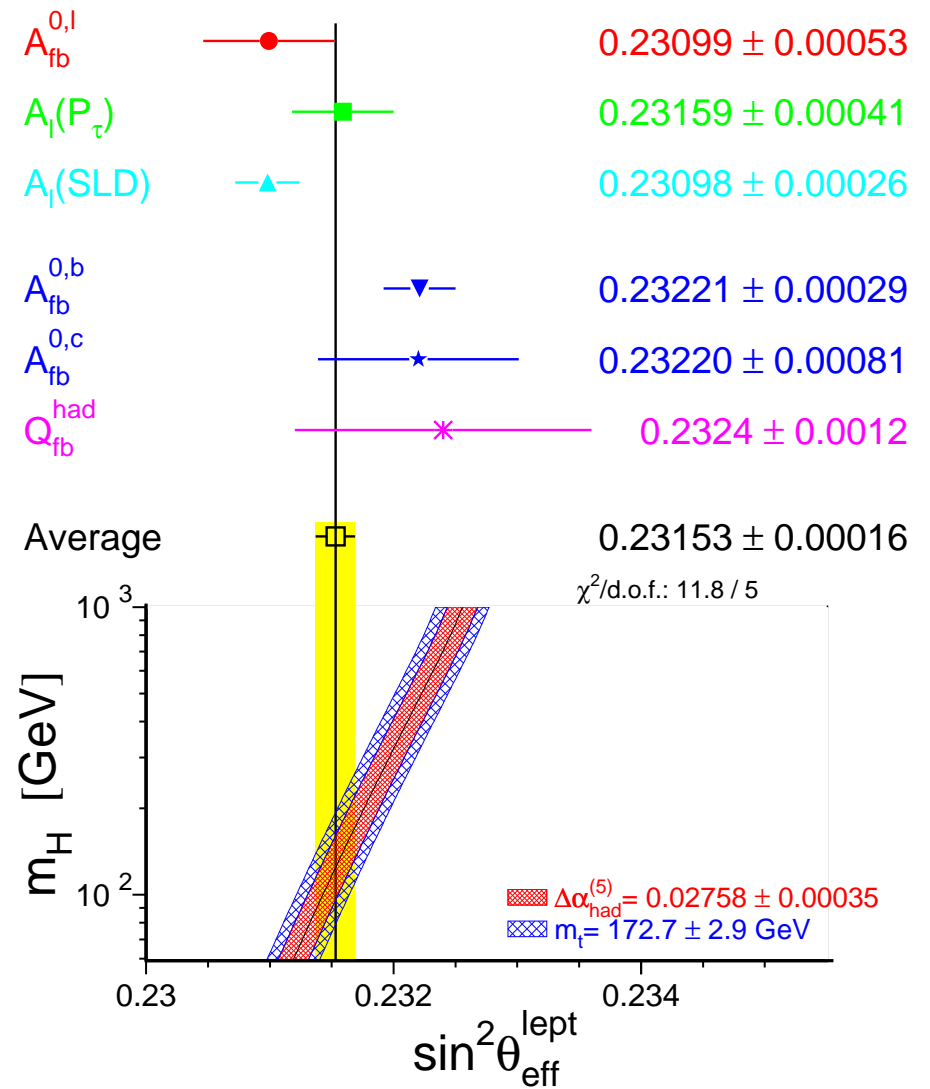
$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^{\ell}$:

- Complete NNLO corrections
 - Awramik, Czakon, Freitas, Weiglein '04
 - Awramik, Czakon, Freitas '06
 - Hollik, Meier, Uccirati '05,07
- Partial 3/4-loop corrections
 - Chetyrkin, Kühn, Steinhauser '95
 - Faisst, Kühn, Seidensticker, Veretin '03
 - Boughezal, Tausk, v. d. Bij '05
 - Schröder, Steinhauser '05
 - Chetyrkin et al. '06; Boughezal, Czakon '06
- Theoretical error $\delta_{\text{th}} \sim 4.5 \times 10^{-5}$
mainly from $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2 \alpha_s)$, $\mathcal{O}(N_f^{\geq 2} \alpha^3)$
(3-loop vertices with sub-bubbles,
3-loop self-energies)
- Exp. uncertainty $\delta_{\text{exp}} \sim 16 \times 10^{-5}$
 $\delta_{\text{ILC}} \sim 1.3 \times 10^{-5}$

Effective weak mixing angles

$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^{\ell}$:

- Complete NNLO corrections
 Awramik, Czakon, Freitas, Wei
 Awramik, Czakon, Fr
 Hollik, Meier, Uccira
- Partial 3/4-loop corrections
 Chetyrkin, Kühn, Steinha
 Faisst, Kühn, Seidensticker, Ve
 Boughezal, Tausk, v. d
 Schröder, Steinha
 Chetyrkin et al. '06; Boughezal, Cz
- Theoretical error $\delta_{\text{th}} \sim 4.5 \times 10^{-4}$
 mainly from $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2 \alpha_s)$, $\mathcal{O}(N_f^{\geq 2} \alpha^3)$
 (3-loop vertices with sub-bubble
 3-loop self-energies)
- Exp. uncertainty $\delta_{\text{exp}} \sim 16 \times 10^{-4}$
 $\delta_{\text{ILC}} \sim 1.3 \times 10^{-4}$



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Effective weak mixing angles

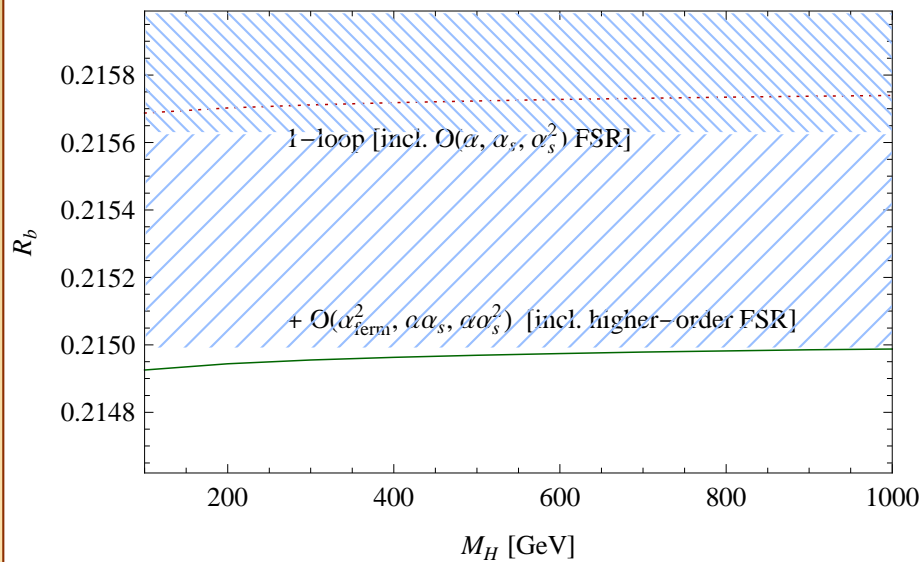
$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^q$:

- Complete *fermionic* NNLO corrections Awramik, Czakon, Freitas '06
Awramik, Czakon, Freitas, Kniehl '08
- Partial 3/4-loop corrections
- Theoretical error $\delta_{\text{th}} \gtrsim 5 \times 10^{-5}$
mainly from $\mathcal{O}(\alpha\alpha_s^2)$, $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2\alpha_s)$ (general 3-loop vertex diagrams)
- Exp. uncertainty $\delta_{\text{exp}} \sim 3 \times 10^{-2}$ ($q = b$)
 $\delta_{\text{exp}} \sim 8 \times 10^{-3}$ ($q = c$)
 $\delta_{\text{LHC}} \sim 3 \times 10^{-4}$ ($q = u, d$)

Branching ratios

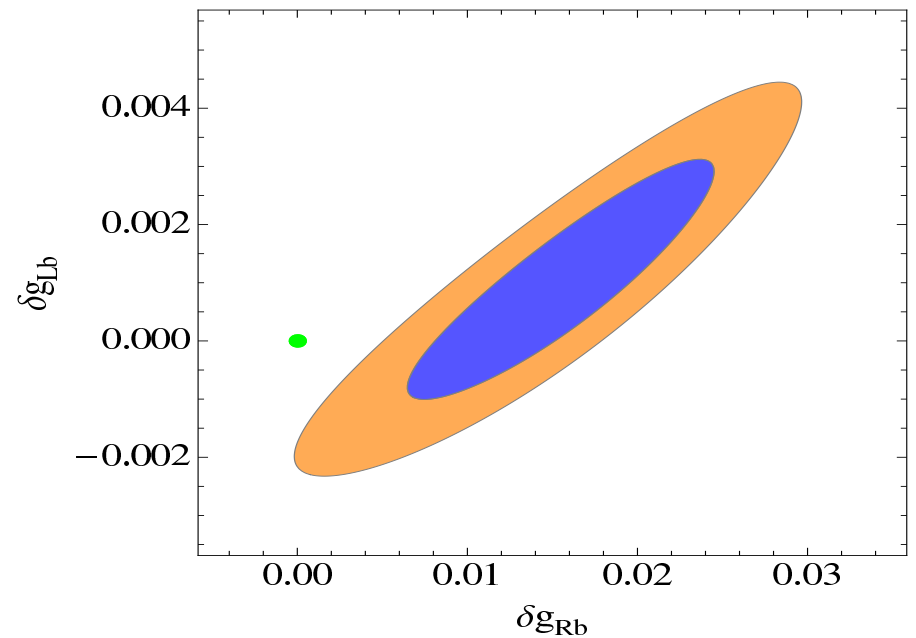
$$R_b = \Gamma_b / \Gamma_{\text{had}}$$

- Complete *fermionic* NNLO corrections Freitas, Huang '12
- Th. uncertainty $\delta_{\text{th}} \sim 2 \times 10^{-4}$
mainly from $\mathcal{O}(\alpha\alpha_s^2)$, $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2\alpha_s)$ (general 3-loop vertex diagrams)
- Exp. uncertainty $\delta_{\text{exp}} \sim 6.6 \times 10^{-4}$
 $\delta_{\text{ILC}} \sim 1.5 \times 10^{-4}$



2.1 σ deviation

New physics? Batell, Gori, Wang '12



Total width and cross section

Γ_Z :

- Approximate NNLO corrections for large m_t Barbieri et al. '92,93
Fleischer, Tarasov, Jegerlehner '93,95
Degrassi, Gambino '99
Czarnecki, Kühn '96
Harlander, Seidensticker, Steinhauser '98
- Th. uncertainty $\delta_{\text{th}} \sim 7 \text{ MeV}$
dominant missing piece: $\mathcal{O}(N_f \alpha^2)$
(2-loop vertex diagrams)
- Exp. uncertainty $\delta_{\text{exp}} \sim 2 \text{ MeV}$

σ_{had}^0 :

- Status similar to Γ_Z
- Th. uncertainty: ?
- Exp. uncertainty: $\delta_{\text{exp}} \sim 0.037 \text{ nb}$
 $\delta_{\text{ILC}} \lesssim 0.03 \text{ nb}$

Summary

- Experimental precision from LEP/SLC demands SM prediction with **complete 2-loop corrections**
- Much progress during last 10–20 years, but still large theoretical uncertainties in some observables
- **LHC** will provide independent results for $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}$ and M_W , but overall precision not improved
- **ILC** with $\sqrt{s} \sim M_Z$ will reduce experimental error by $\mathcal{O}(2 - 10)$
→ Challenge for theorists!
- Need modular and flexible computer program implementation at fully consistent NNLO order

Backup slides

Z-pole observables: theory

Quantity	Current th. error	Est. improvement
$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^l$	4.5×10^{-5}	factor 3–5
$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^q$	5×10^{-5}	factor 1–1.5
R_b	$\sim 2 \times 10^{-4}$	factor 1–1.5
Γ_Z	$\sim 7 \text{ MeV}$	factor 3–5

Methods for theory error estimates:

- Parametric factors, *i. e.* factors of α , N_c , N_f , ...
- Geometric progression, *e. g.* $\frac{\mathcal{O}(\alpha^3)}{\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)} \sim \frac{\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)}{\mathcal{O}(\alpha)}$
- Renormalization scheme dependence (use with care!)
- Experience from similar calculations

Implementation

ZFITTER:

Bardin et al. '99, Arbuzov et al. '05

- Originally designed for NLO, not NNLO
- Mismatches between NNLO electroweak and final-state QED/QCD corrections (due to approximations)
- Expansion about Z -pole not consistent to NNLO

→ Currently no indication for numerically large problems, but fully consistent NNLO treatment is desirable

Other programs:

GFITTER

Flächer et al. '08

TOPAZ0 (deprecated)

Montagna, Nicosini, Passarino, Piccinini '98,01

Implementation

Elements of consistent and flexible code:

- Define amplitude a Laurent expansion about complex pole $s = m_Z^2 - im_Z \Gamma_Z$
- Real corrections: only treat soft/collinear pieces analytically, the rest numerically (allows for flexible cuts)
- Include ISR resummation without double-counting
- Modular (object oriented?) code structure