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# Introduction to the SM (5)

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# Yesterday

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- Symmetries:  $SU(3)$ ,  $SU(2)$  and  $U(1)$
  - Lie groups (I added a self-study notes)
  - Local symmetries that implies gauge fields
  - SSB: Gives relations between parameters
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Today: The SM

# HW: Building invariants game

- Symmetry is  $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$ 
  - $U(1)$ : Add the numbers ( $\bar{X}$  had charge  $-q$ )
  - $SU(2)$ :  $2 \times 2 \ni 1$  and recall that 1 is a singlet
  - $SU(3)$ : we need  $3 \times \bar{3} \ni 1$  and  $3 \times 3 \times 3 \ni 1$

- Fields are

$$Q(3, 2)_1 \quad U(3, 1)_4 \quad D(3, 1)_{-2} \quad H(1, 2)_3$$

- What 3rd and 4th order invariants can we built?

$$(HH^*)^2 \quad H^3 \quad UDD \quad QUD \quad HQU^*$$

- Find more invariants

$$HQ^*D \quad QQD$$

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# Fermions

# Fermions fields and power counting

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- A fermion kinetic term is more complicated

$$\mathcal{L} \sim \bar{\psi} \partial_\mu \gamma^\mu \psi$$

- Since  $\mathcal{L}$  has dimension 4, we see that  $\psi$  is dimension  $3/2$
- So for fermions when we expand up to 4th order we can have at most two fermion fields
- Under Lorentz, the basic fields are left-handed and right-handed. A mass term must involve both  $m\bar{\psi}_L\psi_R$

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# The SM

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Input: Symmetries and fields

- Symmetry: 4d Poincare and

$$SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$$

- Fields:

- 3 copies of QUDLE fermions

$$\begin{array}{lll} Q_L(3, 2)_{1/6} & U_R(3, 1)_{2/3} & D_R(3, 1)_{-1/3} \\ L_L(1, 2)_{-1/2} & E_R(1, 1)_{-1} & \end{array}$$

- One scalar

$$\phi(1, 2)_{+1/2}$$

# Then Nature is described by

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Output: the most general  $\mathcal{L}$

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{kin} + \mathcal{L}_{Higgs} + \mathcal{L}_{Yukawa}$$

- The model can have SSB

$$\langle \phi \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow U(1)_{EM}$$

- This model has a  $U(1)_B \times U(1)_e \times U(1)_\mu \times U(1)_\tau$  accidental symmetry
- It has 18 parameters, and we measure them all by now
- We then made many tests and the SM basically passes almost all of them



# More on the SM

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$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{kin} + \mathcal{L}_{Higgs} + \mathcal{L}_{Yukawa}$$

- The Higgs part gives SSB. 2 parameters ( $v, m_H$ )
- Kinetic terms give rise to
  - The universal gauge interactions
  - Gauge bosons masses after SSB
  - 3 parameters,  $g, g'$  and  $g_s$
- Yukawa terms:  $H\bar{\psi}_L\psi_R$ 
  - This is where flavor is
  - Give fermion masses and mixing
  - 13 parameters (9 masses, 3 mixing angles and 1 CPV phase)

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# The gauge interactions

# The gauge part

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$$SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow SU(3)_C \times U(1)_{EM}$$

Three parts, each look so different...

- QED - photon interaction: Perturbation theory
- QCD - gluon interaction: Confinement and asymptotic freedom
- Electro-weak: SSB and massive gauge bosons

# SSB in the SM

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$$-\mathcal{L}_{Higgs} = \lambda\phi^4 - \mu^2\phi^2 = \lambda(\phi^2 - v^2)^2$$

- The minimum is at  $|\phi| = v$
- $\phi$  has 4 DOFs. We can choose

$$\langle\phi_1\rangle = \langle\phi_2\rangle = \langle\phi_4\rangle = 0 \quad \langle\phi_3\rangle = v$$

- It leads to

$$SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow U(1)_{EM}$$

- We call the remaining symmetry EM. The fact that the vev is for the neutral component is by definition

# Implications of the vev

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- It breaks the symmetry
- Out of the 4 gauge bosons DOFs, 3 are massive, we call them,  $W^\pm$  and  $Z^0$ . The photon is massless
- The mass come from the kinetic term of the Higgs
- We can tell electrons from the neutrinos (How? They have different couplings to the photon)
- Also the fermions are massive now. Before SSB we could not write a mass term, and now we can

# Gauge boson masses

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From the kinetic term of the Higgs we get mass for the gauge bosons

$$D^\mu \phi = \left( \partial^\mu + \frac{i}{2} g W_a^\mu \sigma_a + \frac{i}{2} g' B^\mu \right) \phi$$

$$|D^\mu \phi|^2 \sim \frac{1}{8} \left| \begin{pmatrix} gW_3 + g'B & g(W_1 - iW_2) \\ g(W_1 + iW_2) & -gW_3 + g'B \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix} \right|^2$$

which gives for mass terms

$$\frac{1}{4} g^2 v^2 W^+ W^- + \frac{1}{8} v^2 (gW_3 - g'B)^2$$

# Masses

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Define the mass eigenstates

$$W^\pm = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(W_1 \mp iW_2) \quad \tan \theta_W \equiv \frac{g'}{g}$$
$$Z = \cos \theta_W W_3 - \sin \theta_W B \quad A = \sin \theta_W W_3 + \cos \theta_W B$$

• The masses are

$$M_W^2 = \frac{1}{4}g^2v^2 \quad M_Z^2 = \frac{1}{4}(g^2 + g'^2)v^2 \quad M_A^2 = 0$$

• We have a rotation from  $W_3, B$  to the mass basis  $Z, A$  by an angle  $\theta$

# Remarks

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- $W^\pm$  are charged under EM.  $A$  and  $Z$  are not
- Using gauge boson interactions we can measure  $g$  and  $g'$
- We get the following testable relation

$$\rho \equiv \frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2 \cos^2 \theta_W} = 1 \quad \tan \theta_W \equiv \frac{g'}{g}$$

- The above is a signal of SSB



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# Interactions

# Charged current interactions

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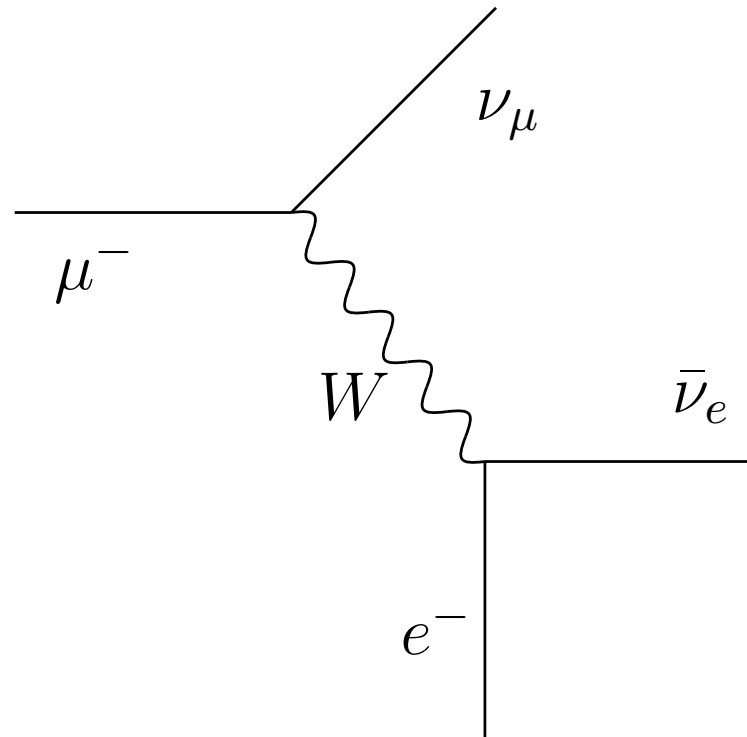
$$-\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{\nu}_{eL} W^\mu \gamma_\mu e_L^- + h.c.$$

- Only left-handed fields take part in charged-current interactions. Therefore the  $W$  interaction violate parity
- Universality: the couplings of the  $W$  to  $\tau \bar{\nu}_\tau$ , to  $\mu \bar{\nu}_\mu$  and to  $e \bar{\nu}_e$  are equal
- At low energy we can “integrate out” the  $W$

$$G_F = \frac{\sqrt{2}g^2}{8M_W^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}v^2}$$

- The idea of NR terms!
- Almost direct measurement of the vev,  
 $V = 246 \text{ GeV}$

# Muon decay



$$\mathcal{A} \sim \frac{g^2}{p^2 - m_W^2} \sim \frac{g^2}{m_W^2} \sim G_F \quad \Gamma(\mu) \sim G_F^2$$

# Neutral currents

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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \frac{e}{\sin \theta \cos \theta} (T_3 - \sin^2 \theta_W Q) \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi Z_\mu + e \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi A_\mu,$$

- $Q = T_3 + Y$
- Photon coupling is parity invariant
- $Z$  couples to both LH and RH fermions but in a parity violating way
- Diagonal couplings. No flavor violation at tree level

# Experimental tests

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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \frac{e}{\sin \theta \cos \theta} (T_3 - \sin^2 \theta_W Q) \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi Z_\mu,$$

Of course, the model was built from experimental data

- High energy: Open your pdg and check  $W$  and  $Z$  decays to leptons. What do you expect to see?
- $Z$  decays to lepton actually measures  $\sin^2 \theta_W \approx 0.23$   
(HW: Calculate  $\Gamma(Z \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu})/\Gamma(Z \rightarrow e^+e^-)$ , get  $\sin^2 \theta_W$  from the data and check the  $\rho = 1$  prediction)
- Low energy data

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# Fermions

# Lepton masses

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- In a chiral theory fermions are massless
- In the SM they get mass from the interactions with the Higgs
- For leptons only the charged leptons get a mass. We need both LH and RH fields for a mass

$$Y_{ij} (\bar{L}_L)_i \phi (E_R)_j \rightarrow Y_{ij} (v + H) \bar{e}_L e_R + \dots$$

- The mass is proportional to the Yukawa coupling and the vev  $m_{ij} = Y_{ij} v$
- For leptons we can choose  $Y$  to be diagonal in flavor space and we get the known lepton masses

# Quarks

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$$Y_{ij}^D (\bar{Q}_L)_i \phi (D_R)_j + Y_{ij}^U (\bar{Q}_L)_i \tilde{\phi} (U_R)_j$$

- The Yukawa matrices,  $Y_{ij}^F$ , is a general complex matrix
- After the Higgs acquires a vev, the Yukawa terms give masses to the fermions. Also, after the breaking we can talk about  $U_L$  and  $D_L$ , not about  $Q_L$
- If  $Y$  is not diagonal, flavor is not conserved (soon we will go over the subtleties here)
- If  $Y$  carries a phase,  $CP$  is violated.  $C$  and  $P$  is violated to start with



# The CKM matrix

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It is all about moving between bases...

- We can diagonalize the Yukawa matrices

$$Y_{diag} = V_L Y V_R^\dagger, \quad V_L, V_R \text{ are unitary}$$

- The mass basis is defined as the one with  $Y$  diagonal, and this is when

$$(d_L)_i \rightarrow (V_L)_{ij} (d_L)_j, \quad (d_R)_i \rightarrow (V_R)_{ij} (d_R)_j$$

- The couplings to the photon is not modified by this rotation

$$\mathcal{L}_\gamma \sim \bar{d}_i \delta_{ij} d_i \rightarrow \bar{d}_i V \delta_{ij} V^\dagger d \sim \bar{d}_i \delta_{ij} d_i$$

# CKM, $W$ couplings

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- For the  $W$  the rotation to the mass basis is important

$$\mathcal{L}_W \sim \bar{u}_L^i \delta_{ij} d_L^j \rightarrow \bar{u}_i V_L^U \delta_{ij} V_L^{D\dagger} d \sim \bar{u}_i V_{CKM} d_i$$

where

$$V_{CKM} = V_L^U V_L^{D\dagger}$$

- The point is that we cannot have  $Y_U$ ,  $Y_D$  and the couplings to the  $W$  diagonal at the same basis
- In the mass basis the  $W$  interaction change flavor, that is flavor is not conserved

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# FCNCs

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FCNC=Flavor Changing Neutral Current

- Very important concept in flavor physics
- Important: Diagonal couplings vs universal couplings

# FCNCs

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In the SM there are no FCNCs at tree level. Very nice! In Nature FCNC are highly suppressed

- Historically,  $K \rightarrow \mu\nu$  vs  $K_L \rightarrow \mu\mu$
- The suppression was also seen in charm and  $B$
- In the SM we have four neutral bosons,  $g, \gamma, Z, h$ . Their couplings are diagonal
- The reasons why they are diagonal, and what it takes to have FCNC, is not always trivial
- Of course we have FCNC at one loop (two charged current interactions give a neutral one)

# Photon and gluon tree level FCNC

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- For exact gauge interactions the couplings are always diagonal. It is part of the kinetic term

$$\partial_\mu \delta_{ij} \rightarrow (\partial_\mu + iqA_\mu) \delta_{ij}$$

- Symmetries are nice...
- In any extension of the SM the photon couplings are flavor diagonal

# Higgs tree level FCNC

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- The Higgs is a possible source of FCNC. With one Higgs doublet, the mass matrix is align with the Yukawa

$$\mathcal{L}_m \sim Y v \bar{d}_L d_R \quad \mathcal{L}_{int} \sim Y H \bar{d}_L d_R$$

- With two doublets we have tree level FCNC

$$\mathcal{L}_m \sim \bar{d}_L (Y_1 v_1 + Y_2 v_2) d_R \quad \mathcal{L}_{int} \sim H_1 \bar{d}_L Y_1 d_R$$

- There are “ways” to avoid it, by imposing extra symmetries

# Z exchange FCNC

- For broken gauge symmetry there is no FCNC when:  
“All the fields with the same irreps in the unbroken symmetry also have the same irreps in the broken part”
- In the SM the  $Z$  coupling is diagonal since all  $q = -1/3$   
RH quarks are  $(3, 1)_{-1/3}$  under  $SU(2) \times U(1)$
- What we have in the couplings is

$$\bar{d}_i (T_3)_{ij} d_j \rightarrow \bar{d} V (T_3)_{ij} V^\dagger d_j, \quad VT_3V^\dagger \propto I \text{ if } T_3 \propto I$$

- Adding quarks of different irreps generate tree level FCNC  $Z$  couplings
- It is the same for new neutral gauge bosons (usually denoted by  $Z'$ )