

## **Overview of Particle Physics**

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## Outline



Introduction

Foundations of Particle Physics

The Standard Model of Particle Physics

### Particle Physics Today

## What Is Particle Physics?



We have theories at hand for the **largest** and the **smallest**:

- **Standard model** of **particle physics**: six quarks and six leptons
- **Standard model** of **cosmology**: cold dark matter, dark energy, ...
- Guiding principle: start from **symmetries**
- Particle physics means experiments with and without accelerators:
  - Highest energy: cosmic rays, Large Hadron Collider, ...
  - Highest precision: B factories, measurement of neutrino masses and mixing, Dark Matter searches, …
  - Advanced **technology**: detectors, statistical data analysis, ...

## **Recommended Reading**

## Experimental textbooks:

- M. Thomson: *Modern Particle Physics,* Cambridge UP (2013)
- D. Griffith: Introduction to Elementary Particles, Wiley (2008)
- A. Bettini: Introduction to Elementary Particle Physics, Cambridge UP (2008)
- R. Cahn, G. Goldhaber: *The Experimental Foundations of Particle Physics,* Cambridge UP (2009)





Introduction to Elementary Particles





Introduction to Elementary Particle Physics



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### Theory textbooks:

- F. Halzen, A. D. Martin:
   *Quarks & Leptons*, Wiley (1984)
- W. N. Cottingham, D. A. Greenwood: An Introduction to the Standard Model of Particle Physics, Cambridge UP (2007)
- M. D. Schwartz: Quantum Field Theory and the Standard Model, Cambridge UP (2013)
- M. E. Peskin, D. V. Schroeder: *An Introduction to Quantum Field Theory*, Westview (1995)





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QUANTUM FIELD THEORY and the STANDARD MODEL Matthew D. Schwartz



# **Looking up Particle Properties**



## The Review of Particle Physics:

- PDG the "holy book" of particle physics: particle properties, overview articles for experts
- Current printed version: M. Tanabashi et al., Phys. Rev. D 98, 030001 (2018).
- Online version: <u>http://pdglive.lbl.gov/</u>

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arXiv (<u>http://arxiv.org</u>):

- Preprints of very many scientific publications
- Topics: physics, mathematics, computer science, system biology, finance mathematics, statistics, ...

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- Specialized literature search for particle physics
- arXiv and other preprints, published articles
- Authors: affiliations, publication statistics, ...

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# Historical Overview, Part I FOUNDATIONS OF PARTICLE PHYSICS

## **Quantum Mechanics & Special Relativity**



- Theoretical foundations of particle physics:
  - Quantum mechanics (Heisenberg, Schrödinger, Dirac, ..., 1920s)
  - Special relativity (Einstein, 1905)
- Modern theories of particle physics: relativistic quantum field theory (QFT)
  - Lorentz invariance
  - Quantized fields (i.e. fields = QM operators)
  - Physical particles = excitations (quanta) of fields





Albert Einstein

Erwin Schrödinger





Paul A. M. Dirac

Werner Heisenberg

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## **Nuclear Force**

Rutherford experiment (Rutherford, Geiger, Marsdon, 1911):

# Beam of $\alpha$ particles directed at thin gold foil $\rightarrow$ measure distribution of scattering angles $\theta$

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m sin}^4( heta/2)}$ 

- Result: scattering angle distribution compatible with Coulomb scattering at compact nucleus
   → atom = nucleus + shell
- Chadwick, Bieler (1921): deviation from sin<sup>-4</sup>(θ/2) behavior→ new nuclear force ("strong force")









## Ernest Rutherford James Chadwick nobelprize.org

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# Discovery of the **neutron** (Chadwick, 1932)

Nuclear Force

Mesons as messengers of nuclear force (Yukawa, 1935)

- Analogous to photon in electrodynamics
- Limited range of nuclear force λ: Yukawa potential
   = exponentially damped Coulomb potential

$$V(r) \sim -rac{exp[-r/\lambda]}{r}$$

Experimentally: λ ≅ 1 fm → m<sub>meson</sub> ≅ 200 MeV: pions!







## Isospin



- New internal degree of freedom for nuclei: isospin (short for: "isotopic spin") (Discovery: Heisenberg 1932, name "isospin" coined by Wigner 1937)
  - Proton/neutron: similar properties (if charge is ignored)
  - Experiment: scattering off mirror nuclei (number of protons/neutrons exchanged, e.g. <sup>3</sup>H ↔ <sup>3</sup>He, <sup>15</sup>N ↔ <sup>15</sup>O) → strong force **independent** of electric charge
- New view on the strong force:
  - If there was only the strong force: proton = neutron = "nucleon" → symmetry between protons and neutrons: (strong) isospin /
  - Mathematical description: group theory SU(2) group (like for spin), nucleon as isospin doublet:

nucleon = 
$$\begin{pmatrix} |p\rangle \\ |n\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} |I = \frac{1}{2}, I_3 = +\frac{1}{2}\rangle \\ |I = \frac{1}{2}, I_3 = -\frac{1}{2}\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

## Isospin



Isospin concept can be extended to further particle classes:

Example: pion = isospin triplet

$$pion = \begin{pmatrix} -|\pi^+\rangle \\ |\pi^0\rangle \\ |\pi^-\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} |I=1, I_3=+1\rangle \\ |I=1, I_3=0\rangle \\ |I=1, I_3=-1\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

Compare third component  $I_3$  of isospin for nucleons and pions:

- I<sub>3</sub> depends on charge Q (in e) different for mesons and baryons
- Connection to baryon number B (reminder: B = (#quarks #antiquarks)/3):

$$l_3 = Q - \frac{B}{2}$$

## Strangeness



1940s: new "strange" particles in cosmic rays (Rochester, Butler, 1947)

- Experimental technique: stereoscopic bubble chamber pictures
- Signature: **V**<sup>0</sup> ("neutral vertex") created in lead block
- Today:  $V^0$  decays are mainly  $K^0_S \to \pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $\Lambda^0 \to p\pi^-$



## **Strangeness & Parity**



Theta-tau puzzle:

Observation: "two" particle decays with different final state parity

$$\theta^+ \to \pi^+ \pi^0, \ \tau^+ \to \pi^+ \pi^0 \pi^0$$

But: both particles have the **same mass and lifetimes**  $\rightarrow$  same particle?

$$m_{\theta^+} = m_{\tau^+}, \ \tau_{\theta^+} = \tau_{\tau^+}$$

Solution: new quantum number *S* = **strangeness (**Gell-Mann; Nakano, Nishijima, 1953)

- Indeed: two different decays of the **same** particle  $K^+ \rightarrow 2\pi/3\pi$ , in today's language:
  - Strangeness conserved in K<sup>+</sup> production (strong interaction)
  - Strangeness **violated** in *K*<sup>+</sup> decay (weak interaction)
  - Another important consequence: weak interaction violates parity

## **From Strangeness to Flavor**



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Murray Gell-Mann



Kazuhiko Nishijima

Group theory: from isospin *SU*(2) to **flavor** *SU***(2**)

- Describe states with two quantum numbers, e.g.  $I_3$  and S
- Alternative choice:  $I_3$  and (flavor) hypercharge  $Y_F = B + S$
- Relation to electric charge: Gell-Mann–Nishijima formula

$$I_3 = Q - \frac{Y_F}{2} = Q - \frac{1}{2}(B + S)$$

Generalized to today's **six flavors**:  $Y_F = B + S + C + \mathscr{B} + T$ 

- C = charm
- *B* = bottomness (also: beauty)
- *T* = topness (also: truth)

## 1960s: particle zoo

**Quark Model** 

Many further "elementary" particles discovered, e.g.

 $\eta', \rho, \omega, K^*\Delta, \Sigma, \Xi$ 

Missing: classification scheme (cf. Mendeleev's periodic table)

Quarks (Gell-Mann, 1964) and Aces (Zweig, 1964)

- Fundamental representation of flavor SU(3): three quarks (*u* = up, *d* = down, *s* = strange)
- Baryon and meson multiplets as further representations of flavor SU(3)
- Straightforward extension to four quarks: flavor SU(4)
- Initially: purely mathematical tool, **no physical reality**





**Meson Multiplets** 

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## **Quark-Parton Model**



- Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (SLAC), 1960s:
  - Scattering experiment: 20-GeV electron beam on fixed target → nucleon structure (expressed through form factors, e.g. for charge distribution)
  - Process: deep inelastic scattering (DIS)



## **Quark-Parton Model**

- Discovery of nucleon substructure (Breidenbach et al., 1969)
- Theoretical interpretation:
  - Substructure = "partons" pointlike spin-1/2 particles (Feynman, 1969)
  - These partons can be identified with quarks (Bjorken, Paschos, 1969)







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## **Quantum Chromodynamics**

- **Yang-Mills theory** (Yang, Mills, 1954):
  - Use gauge symmetries to construct theories of of strong & weak interactions (symmetry group: SU(N))
  - Prediction: massless mediators (= force carriers)
  - But: massive pions as mediators of nuclear force, Fermi coupling constant G<sub>F</sub> of weak interactions not dimensionless → contradiction to theory





Chen Ning Yang, Robert L. Mills (1999) www-rnc.lbl.gov

- Hints of unknown new internal degree of freedom for quarks:
  - Example: Ω<sup>-</sup> baryon has quark content |sss>
  - Ω- is a fermion, but wave functions in position, spin, and flavor space symmetric → wave function antisymmetric in new degree of freedom: "color"

# **Quantum Chromodynamics**





Color-SU(3)

(Fritzsch, Gell-Mann, Leutwyler, 1973):

- Strong interaction described as SU(3) gauge theory for quarks
- Mediators ("force carriers"): 8 gluons
- Quarks and gluons carry "color charge" → quantum chromodynamics (QCD)
- **Asymptotic freedom** (Gross, Wilczek, Politzer, 1973): QCD coupling  $\alpha_s$  gets weaker with increasing energy
  - Quarks approximately free particles in DIS
  - Low energies: **confinement**  $\rightarrow$  no free quarks

## **Weak Interactions**

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Process known from radioactive beta decay (A: mass number, Z: atomic number)

 $(A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z + 1) + e^{-}$ 

- Apparent two-body decay: expect fixed electron energy

   → contradicts observation
- Solution (Pauli, 1930): neutrino postulate

 $(A,Z) 
ightarrow (A,Z+1) + e^- + \bar{
u}_e$ 

- Fermi's theory of weak interactions:
  - Vector currents (like in electrodynamics)
  - Contact interactions with Fermi coupling constant G<sub>F</sub>
  - Dimension of *G<sub>F</sub>*: [energy]<sup>-2</sup>
    - $\rightarrow$  hint of massive mediator particle (today: W boson)



## **Parity Violation in Weak Interactions**



- Discrete symmetries of particle physics:
   C (charge conjugation), P (parity), and T (time reversal)
  - Each **conserved individually** in strong and electromagnetic interactions
  - Expectation: parity conservation also for weak interactions
- Starting from theta-tau puzzle (see above):
  - Lee/Yang: suggestion of **parity violation** in weak interactions (1956)
  - Parity violation first observed in Wu experiment (1957)
  - Goldhaber, Grodzins, Sunyar experiment (1958): massless neutrinos are left-handed  $\rightarrow$  maximal parity violation  $\rightarrow$  weak interactions only act on left-handed particles
- Improved theory of weak interactions: V–A theory (Feynman, Gell-Mann; Sudarshan, Marshak, 1958) → weak current = "vector minus axial vector" current

## **CP** Violation



- Search for CP violation in neutral K meson ("K long") decays (Christenson, Cronin, Fitch, Turlay, 1964):
  - CP conserving:  $K_L^0 \to \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$
  - CP violating:  $K_L^0 \to \pi^+\pi^-$  (2000 times smaller)
  - Weak interaction also violates combined CP symmetry
- Cosmological implications of CP violation: each explanation of the baryon asymmetry  $\frac{n_B n_{\overline{B}}}{n_{\gamma}} \approx 10^{-9}$  in the universe requires (Sakharov, 1967):
  - Thermal non-equilibrium
  - CP violation
  - Baryon number violation





# Historical Overview, Part II THE STANDARD MODEL OF PARTICLE PHYSICS

## **Electroweak Theory**



## **Unitarity problem** in *V*–*A* theory:

- Cross section for neutrino-electron scattering prediction by *V*–*A* theory proportional to *s* (center-of-mass energy squared), **infinitely large** for  $s \rightarrow \infty$
- Solution: unified theory of weak and electromagnetic interactions
  - → Glashow-Salam-Weinberg model (GSW)
- Gauge group (Glashow, 1961): SU(2) × U(1)
   SU(2): weak isospin
   U(1): weak hypercharge



S.L. Glashow



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## **Electroweak Theory**

- (Brout-Englert-)Higgs mechanism: spontaneous symmetry breaking (SSB) through Higgs potential V(φ)
  - SSB: ground state of a theory does not preserve symmetry of Lagrangian
  - Discovered independently by several groups: Higgs; Brout, Englert; Goldstone, Jona-Lasinio, Nambu; Guralnik, Hagen, Kibble (1960s)
  - Application of Higgs mechanism on SU(2)×U(1) theory (Salam, Weinberg, 1968)
    - $\rightarrow$  **massive** *W* und *Z* bosons, **massless** photon
    - $\rightarrow$  prediction of a **Higgs boson**



2D Analogy of Higgs Potential



## **Discoveries**



#### W and Z Boson Discovery (SppS, CERN, 1983)



### Higgs Boson Discovery (LHC, CERN, 2012)



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# **Quark Mixing and Flavor Physics**



- Application of GSW model to quarks:
  - Eigenstates of weak interactions (= particles interacting with the W boson)
     ≠ mass eigenstates (= physical particles)
  - W boson couples to **linear combination** of mass eigenstates *d* and *s*

 $u \rightarrow d' = d \cos \theta_C + s \sin \theta_C$ 

- $\rightarrow$  quark "mixing" with  $\theta_{C}$  "Cabibbo angle", sin  $\theta_{C} \approx 0.22$  (Cabibbo, 1963)
- **GIM mechanism** (Glashow, Iliopoulos, Maiani, 1970):
  - Observation: decay  $K^+ \rightarrow \ell \nu$  much more likely than  $K^0 \rightarrow \mu \mu$
  - **GIM**:  $K^0 \rightarrow \mu\mu$  suppressed due to quantum corrections from **fourth quark c** 
    - **Discovery of the**  $J/\psi$  = bound cc̄ state (SLAC, BNL, 1974)

# **Quark Mixing and Flavor Physics**



- Quark mixing as source of CP violation:
  - Only with at least three quark generations (Kobayashi, Maskawa, 1973)
  - Mathematical description: (complex, unitary) Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa (CKM) mixing matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} d' \\ s' \\ b' \end{pmatrix} = V_{CKM} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

Discovery of third generation quarks and leptons:

- Leptons:  $\tau$  lepton (Perl et al., 1975),  $\nu_{\tau}$  (DONUT, 2000)
- Quarks: bottom quark (Lederman et al., 1977), top quark (Tevatron, 1995)

## **Standard Model of Particle Physics**





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- Particle content: 6 quarks + 6 leptons (+ antiparticles)
- Interactions (mediated by gauge bosons): electroweak interaction (= unified electromagnetic and weak interaction), strong interaction

## **Beyond the Standard Model?**



- Higgs-boson discovery: standard model completed with mechanism for spontaneous symmetry breaking
- Many open questions remain:
  - Does the standard model work also at (much) higher energy scales?
  - Is the standard model "natural"? Or: Why is the Higgs-boson mass so small, despite huge quantum corrections? Do we care if it is not?
  - What lies beyond the standard model? (explanations missing for: neutrino mass, dark matter, dark energy, ...)



C. Grupen after C. Flammarion, L'atmosphère (1888)





# **PARTICLE PHYSICS TODAY**

# High-pT Collider Physics

## **Current flagship: Large Hadron Collider**

- World's largest and most powerful particle accelerator
   27 km circumference, approx. 100 m underground
- Protons accelerated to up to 7 TeV
- Four large multi-purpose experiments: ATLAS, CMS, ALICE, LHCb
- Broad physics program: standard model and beyond
- Main topic of this school → more in upcoming lectures

# **High-Precision Flavor Physics**



Search for new physics in quantum corrections, e.g.



- $\rightarrow$  probe **indirect effects** to much higher scales than in high- $p_T$  physics
- Only significant source of tensions with the SM so far, e.g. muon anomalous momentum ("g–2"), rare *B*-meson decays



## Super B Factory: KEKB and Belle II



Picture courtesy of KEK

- Experiment at asymmetric  $e^+e^-$  collider at  $\sqrt{s} \approx 10.5$  GeV
- Pushing the precision frontier: 50 ab<sup>-1</sup> of integrated luminosity expected
- Physics program: CP violation and rare decays in heavy quarks



## **Neutrino Physics: Some Recent Results**

- Neutrino oscillations: non-zero mass (many experiments)
- Universe contains sources of PeV neutrinos (IceCube, South Pole)



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### Dirac of Majorana particle?

 $\rightarrow$  neutrinoless double-beta decay ( $0\nu\beta\beta$ )





- Dirac of Majorana particle?  $\rightarrow$  neutrinoless double-beta decay (0 $\nu\beta\beta$ )
- CP violation in the lepton sector? → accelerator & reactor neutrino beams

#### Japanese Project: Hyper-Kamiokande



#### $\rightarrow$ J-PARC $\nu$ beam, water Cherenkov detector



 $\rightarrow$  Fermilab  $\nu$  beam, liquid-argon detector



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Additional sterile neutrinos?
 Non-standard model interactions?
 → small deviations in experiments



#### LSND/MiniBooNE Anomaly

## All That Technology...





WLCG Computing Model



**CMS L1 Trigger Overview** 



<u>JINST 12 (2017) P01020</u>

**Deep Neural Network Architecture** 



### Instrumentation:

- Accelerators and detectors (→ Dobrzynski, Colaleo)
- Trigger & readout electronics

## **Computing**:

- Offline data processing
- Data analysis (→ Prosper, UH)





- Particle physics: what is our universe made of on the fundamental level?
- Solid foundation of particle physics → well established standard model of particle physics
- Particle physics today: highly specialized sub-fields (e.g. high-p<sub>T</sub> collider physics, flavor physics, neutrino physics)
- There's so much more ... enjoy the school