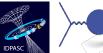
Higgs Physics – Lecture 1

Higgs Physics at the LHC – Introduction Ricardo Gonçalo – UC/LIP IDPASC Course on Physics at the LHC – LIP, 7 April 2020







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		Wednesday, 7 April		
18:00 → 19	9:30	Higgs Physics 1 Introduction Reminder of some shortcomings of the SM: masses, WW scattering. The Higgs mechanism. Production and decay of the Higgs boson at colliders: LEP, Tevatron and LHC. Previous searches at LEP and the Tevatron.	© 1h 30m	
		Speaker: Ricardo Jose Morais Silva Goncalo (LIP Laboratorio de Instrumentacao e Fisica Experimental de Part)		
		Mara		Combined LHC mass measurement
18:00 → 19	9:30	MONDAY, 12 APRIL Higgs Physics 2 Discovery of the Higgs boson in the different final states: Algorithms, challenges, tools, combination of results Speaker: Pedro Vieira De Castro Ferreira Da Silva (CERN)	🕅 ▼ © 1h 30m	3 22 LAC fund even GMS LAC fund 0.5 124 124 124 125 125 125 125 125 125 125 125
		WEDNESDAY, 14 APRIL		
18:00 → 19	9:30	Higgs Physics 3 Case-study of the H->bb search, H->bb observation Algorithms, challenges, tools Higgs measurements with H->bb Speaker: Rute Costa Batalha Pedro (LIP Laboratorio de Instrumentacao e Fisica Experimental de Part)	(3) 1h 30m	
		Monday, 19 April		
18:00 → 19	9:30	Higgs Physics 4 - Search for new physics in the Higgs sector The Higgs boson and processes beyond the SM.	🕲 1h 30m	

- The Higgs boson and processes beyond the SM. - Extensions of the SM, minimal and non-minimal extensions.
- High mass searches.
- MSSM Higgs searches: neutral, charged.
- Light pseudoscalar, resonant and non-resonant Higgs pair production.

Speaker: Michele Gallinaro (LIP Lisbon)

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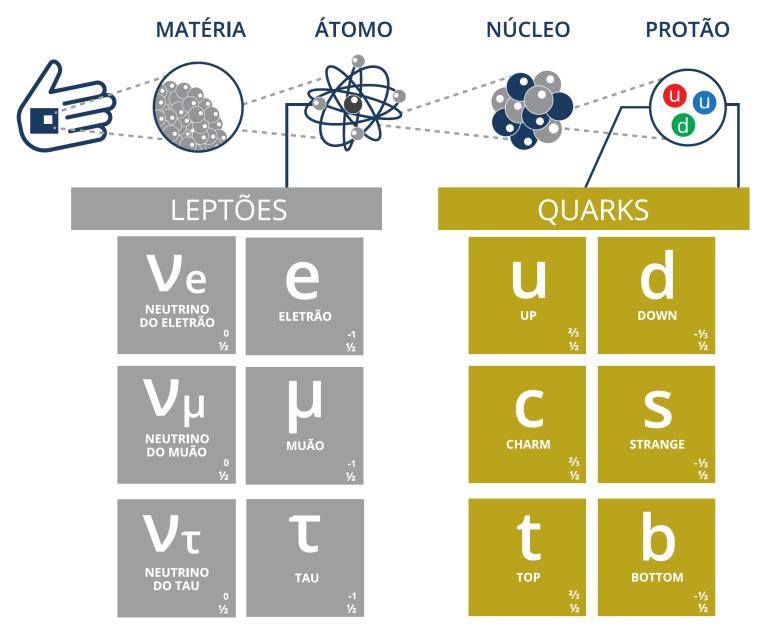
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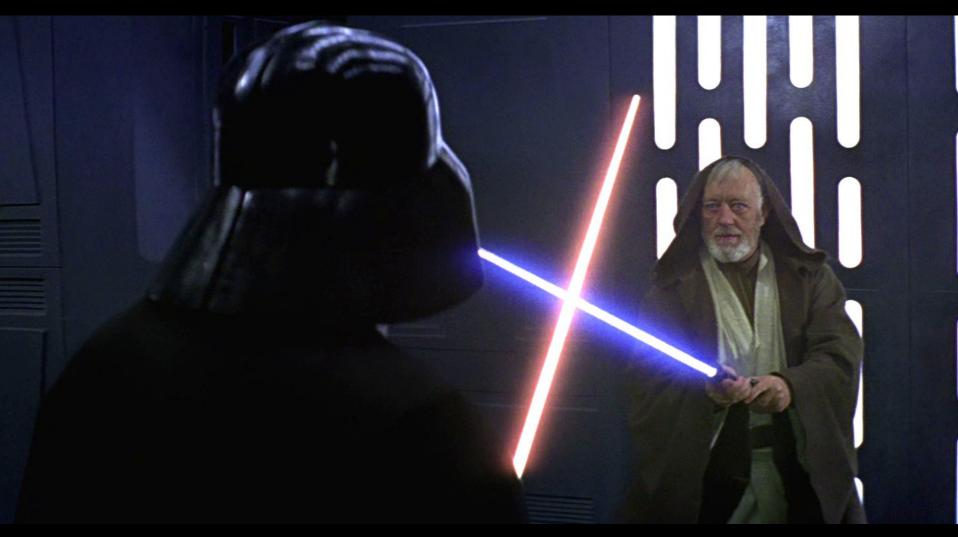
- Introduction
- Some theory
- Problems with the Standard Model
- The Higgs mechanism
- The long way to discovery
 - LEP experiments
 - Tevatron experiments
 - Search and Discovery at the LHC
- Higgs boson properties
- Open questions

Introduction

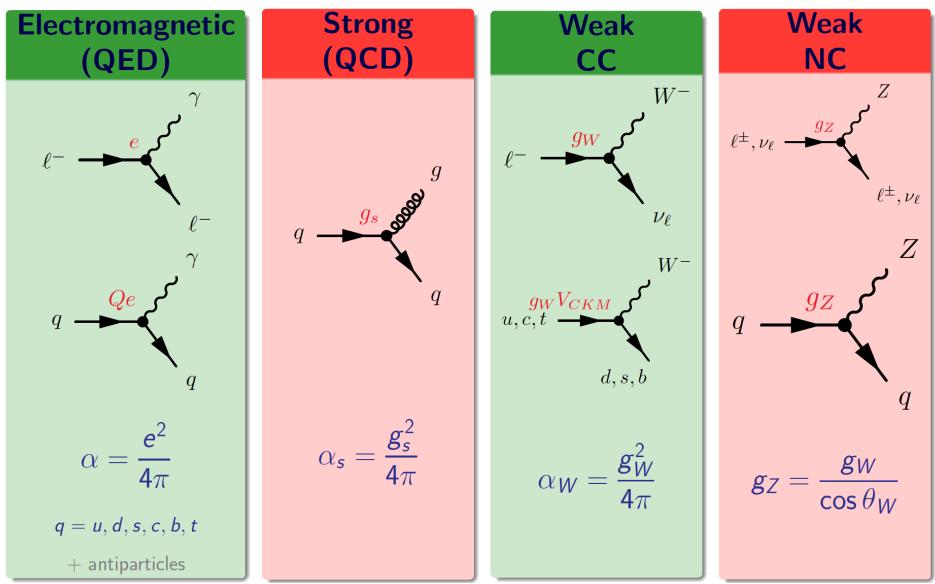
The Standard Model particles and interactions, and some theory to set the scene...



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Summary of Standard Model matter vertices



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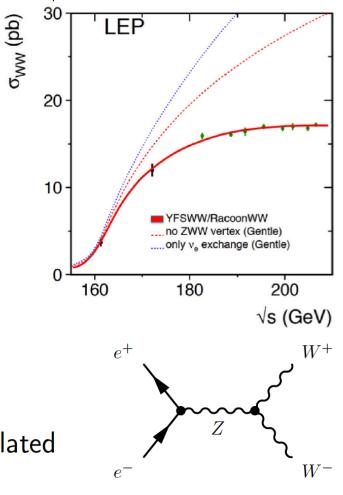
Electroweak Unification

- Weak CC interactions explained by W^{\pm} boson exchange
- W^\pm bosons are charged, thus they couple to the γ

(+interference) e^+ ν_e W^+ e^+ γ $W^ e^ W^-$

Consider $e^-e^+ \rightarrow W^+W^-$: 2 diagrams

- Cross-section diverges at high energy
- Divergence cured by introducing Z boson
- Extra diagram for $e^-e^+ o W^+W^-$
- Idea only works if γ , W^{\pm} , Z couplings are related \Rightarrow Electroweak Unification



Electroweak Gauge Theory

• Postulate invariance under a gauge transformation like:

 $\psi \to \psi' = e^{ig\vec{\sigma}.\vec{\Lambda}(\vec{r},t)}\psi$

an "SU(2)" transformation (σ are 2x2 matrices).

- Operates on the state of "weak isospin" a "rotation" of the isospin state.
- Invariance under SU(2) transformations \Rightarrow three massless gauge bosons (W_1, W_2, W_3) whose couplings are well specified.
- They also have self-couplings.

But this doesn't quite work...

Predicts W and Z have the same couplings – not seen experimentally!

Electroweak Gauge Theory

The solution...

- Unify QED and the weak force \Rightarrow electroweak model
- "SU(2)xU(1)" transformation U(1) operates on the "weak hypercharge" $Y = 2(Q - I_3)$ SU(2) operates on the state of "weak isospin, I"
- Invariance under SU(2)xU(1) transformations \Rightarrow four massless gauge bosons W^+ , W^- , W_3 , B
- The two neutral bosons W_3 and B then $\min x$ to produce the physical bosons Z and γ
- Photon properties must be the same as QED \Rightarrow predictions of the couplings of the Z in terms of those of the W and γ
- Still need to account for the masses of the W and Z. This is the job of the Higgs mechanism (later).

The GWS Model



The Glashow, Weinberg and Salam model treats EM and weak interactions as different manifestations of a single unified electroweak force (Nobel Prize 1979)

Start with 4 massless bosons W^+ , W_3 , W^- and B. The neutral bosons mix to give physical bosons (the particles we see), i.e. the W^{\pm} , Z, and γ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} W^+ \\ W_3 \\ W^- \end{pmatrix}; B \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} W^+ \\ Z \\ W^- \end{pmatrix}; \gamma$$

Physical fields: W^+ , Z, W^- and A (photon).

 $Z = W_3 \cos \theta_W - B \sin \theta_W$

 $A = W_3 \sin \theta_W + B \cos \theta_W$

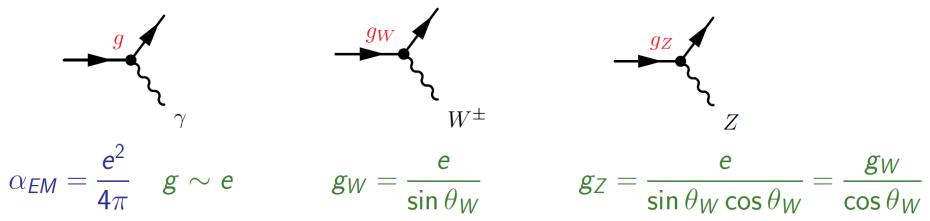
 θ_W Weak Mixing Angle

 W^{\pm} , Z "acquire" mass via the Higgs mechanism.

The GWS Model

The beauty of the GWS model is that it makes exact predictions of the W^{\pm} and Z masses and of their couplings with only 3 free parameters.

Couplings given by α_{EM} and θ_{W}



Masses also given by G_F and θ_W From Fermi theory $\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{g_W^2}{8m_W^2} = \frac{e^2}{8m_W^2\sin^2\theta_W} \qquad m_W^{\pm} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}e^2}{8G_F\sin^2\theta_W}\right)^{1/2} \qquad m_Z = \frac{m_W}{\cos\theta_W}$

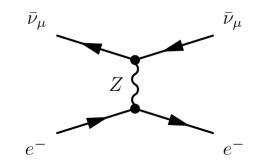
If we know α_{EM} , G_F , $\sin \theta_W$ (from experiment), everything else is defined. 07.04.21

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Evidence for the GWS model

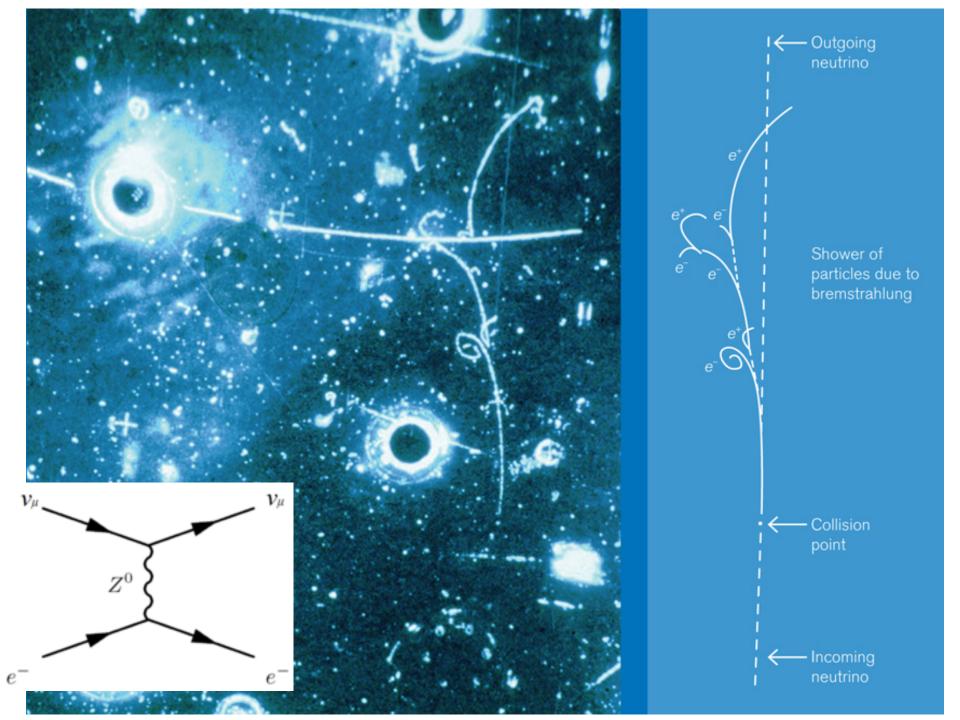
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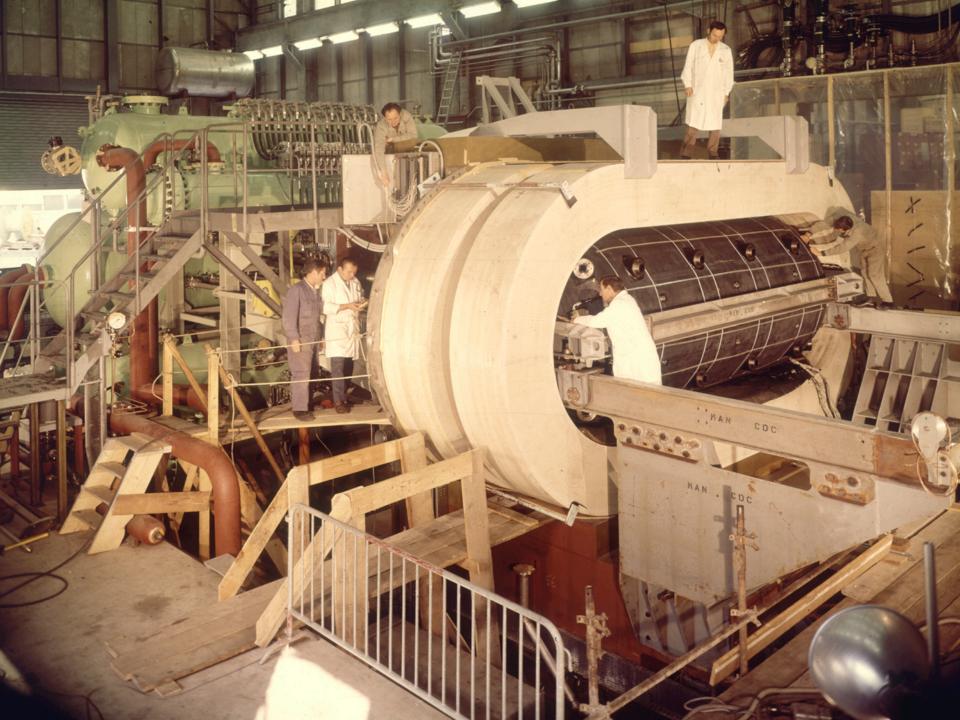
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Gargamelle Bubble Chamber at CERN





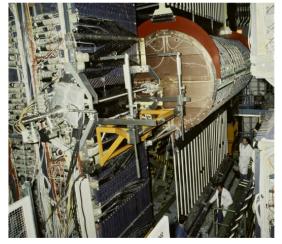
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• Direct Observation of W^{\pm} and Z (1983) First direct observation in $p\bar{p}$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 540$ GeV via decays into leptons $p\bar{p} \rightarrow W^{\pm} + X$ $p\bar{p} \rightarrow Z + X$ $\rightarrow e^{\pm}\nu_{e}, \mu^{\pm}\nu_{\mu} \qquad \rightarrow e^{+}e^{-}, \mu^{+}\mu^{-}$

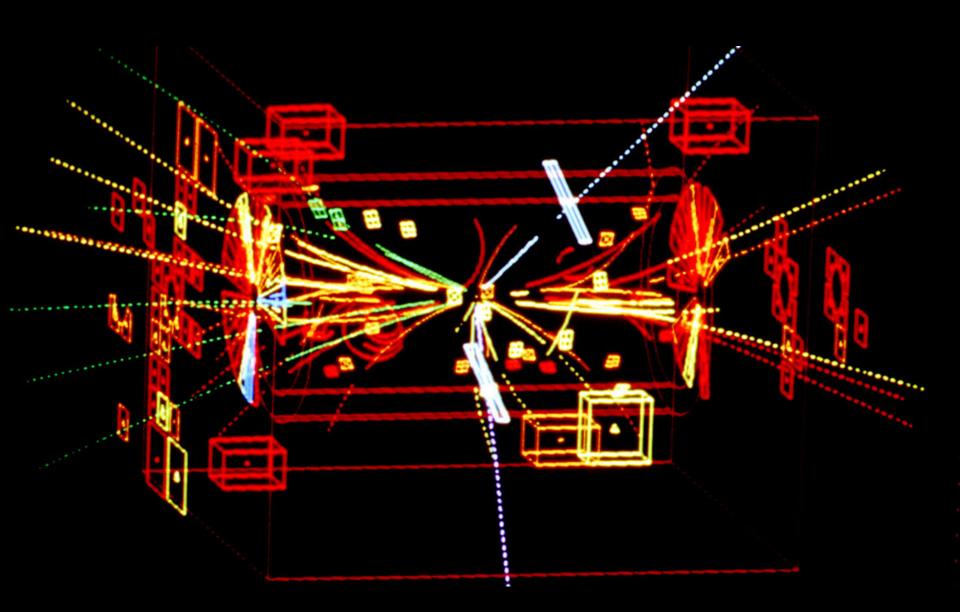
> UA1 Experiment at CERN Used Super Proton Synchrotron (now part of LHC!)



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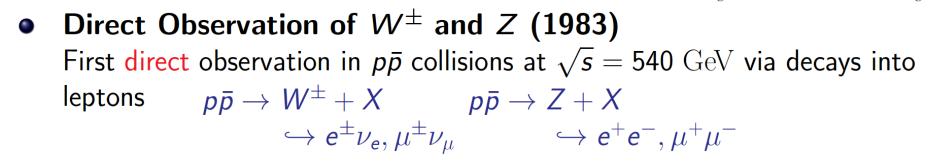
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 $\theta_W \sim 29^\circ$

Z

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- Precision Measurements of the Standard Model (1989-2000)
 LEP e⁺e⁻ collider provided many precision measurements of the Standard Model.
- Wide variety of different processes consistent with GWS model predictions and measure same value of

 $\sin^2 heta_W = 0.23113 \pm 0.00015$

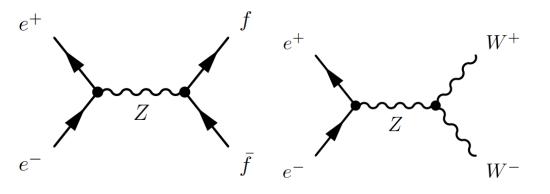
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Experimental tests of the Electroweak model at LEP

The Large Electron Positron (LEP) collider at CERN provided high precision measurements of the Standard Model (1989-2000).

Designed as a Z and W^{\pm} boson factory



Precise measurements of the properties of Z and W^{\pm} bosons provide the most stringent test of our current understanding of particle physics.



- LEP is the highest energy e^+e^- collider ever built $\sqrt{s} = 90 209$ GeV
- Large circumference, 27 km
- 4 experiments combined saw $16 \times 10^6 Z$ events, $30 \times 10^3 W^{\pm}$ events

Summary of Electroweak tests

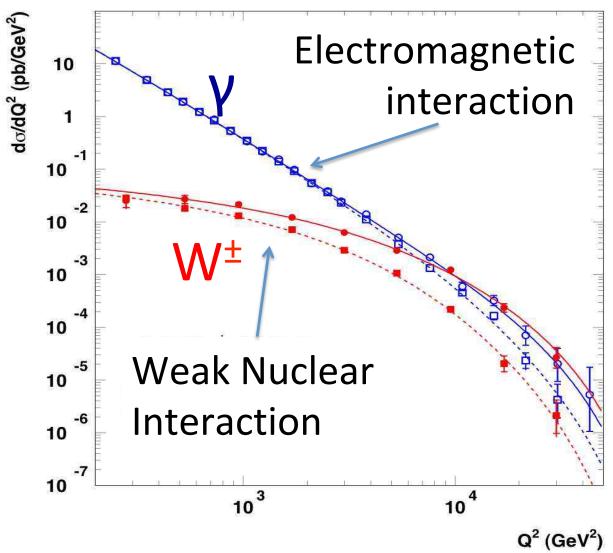
Now have 5 precise measurements of fundamental parameters of the Standard Model

 $lpha_{EM} = 1/(137.03599976 \pm 0.00000050)$ (at $q^2 = 0$) $G_F = (1.16632 \pm 0.00002) \times 10^5 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ $m_W = 80.385 \pm 0.015 \text{ GeV}$ $m_Z = 91.1875 \pm 0.0021 \text{ GeV}$ $\sin^2 \theta_W = 0.23143 \pm 0.00015$

In the Standard Model, only 3 are independent.

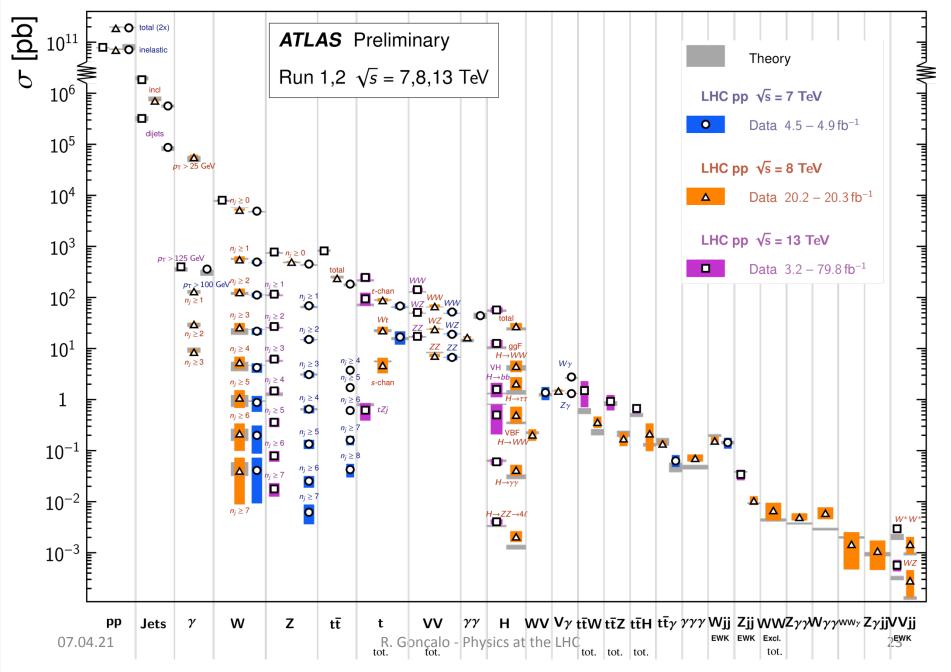
The measurements are consistent, which is an incredibly powerful test of the Standard Model of Electroweak Interactions.





Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements

Status: July 2018



Lagrangians, symmetries and all that

Leonhard Euler(1707–1783)

Emmy Noether (1882 – 1935

Joseph-Louis Lagrange (1736–1813)

Reminder: Lagrangians in classical mechanics

The equations of motion of a system are derived from a scalar Lagrangian function of generalized coordinates and velocities (time derivatives of the coordinates)

$$L(q, \dot{q}) = T - V$$

and from the **Euler-Lagrange equations**:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_j} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = 0$$

Example

Particle in a conservative potential V. The Lagrangian

$$L = \frac{1}{2}m(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 + \dot{z}^2) - V(x, y, z)$$

has derivatives (e.g. for x)

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} = m\dot{x}, \frac{d}{dt}(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}}) = m\ddot{x}$$

and Euler-Lagrange's equations

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finally give us Newton's familiar 2nd law!

$$m\ddot{x} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}, m\ddot{y} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial y}, m\ddot{z} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial z} \Leftrightarrow m\vec{a} = \vec{F}$$

Symmetries and conservation laws

Noether's theorem:

If a system has a contínuous symmetry property, then there are corresponding quantities whose values are conserved in time.

Simplest case: Coordinates not explicitly appearing in the Lagrangian

⇒ Lagrangian invariant over a continuous transformation of the coordinates

Example: mass **m** orbiting in the field of a fixed mass **M**

$$L(r,\phi,\dot{r},\dot{\phi}) = T - V = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{r}^{2} + \frac{1}{2}mr^{2}\dot{\phi}^{2} + \frac{GMm}{r}$$

Since the lagrangian doesn't depend explicitly on ϕ (symmetry with respect to rotations in space), the Euler-Lagrange equation gives

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}} \right) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}} = mr^2 \dot{\phi} = J$$

Where the **angular momentum J** is a constant of motion!

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Let's go to quantum fields...

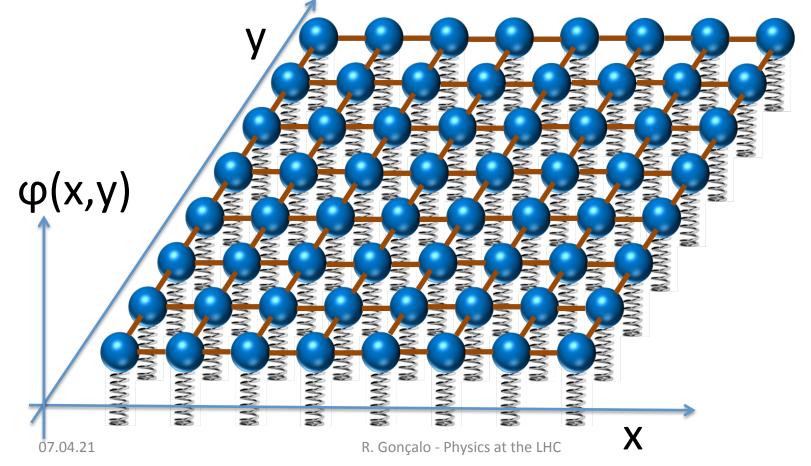
Richard Feynman (1918 - 198<u>8)</u>

Schrödinger's cat (?-?)

Erwin Schrödinger (1887 - 1961)

Now in quantum field theory...

Imagine space as an infinite continuum of balls and springs, where each ball is connected to its neighbours by elastic bands. **Particles are perturbations of this field**



Generalized coordinates are now fields (dislocation of each spring) $q_i \to \phi_i(x^\mu)$

In place of a Lagrangian we have a **Lagrangian density** (we call it Lagrangian anyway, just to be confusing)

$$L(q_i, \frac{dq_i}{dt}) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\phi_i, \partial_\mu \phi_i)$$
 with: $L = \int \mathcal{L} d^3 x$
The new Euler-Lagrange equation now becomes

 $\frac{d}{dt}$, $\nabla \rightarrow \partial_{tt} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right)$

$$\partial_{\mu} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_{\mu} \phi_i)} \right) - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \phi_i} = 0$$

Gauge invariance

Take the Dirac Lagrangian for a <u>spinor</u> field ψ representing a spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ particle, for example an electron:

$$\mathcal{L} = i\hbar\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\psi - m\bar{\psi}\psi$$

It is invariant under a global U(1) phase transformation like:

$$\psi(x) \to \psi'(x) = e^{iq\chi}\psi(x)$$

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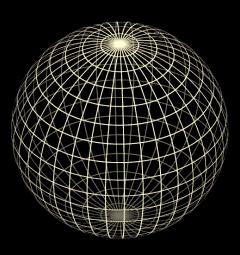
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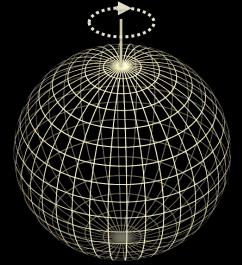
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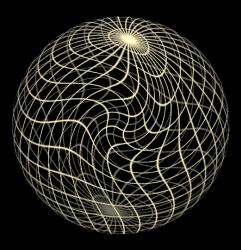
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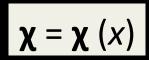
Global transformation



Local transformação



χ = constant



Now for the problems...



Local gauge invariance and interactions

If $\mathbf{\chi} = \mathbf{\chi}$ (x) then we get extra terms in the Lagrangian: $\mathcal{L}' = i e^{-iq\chi} \bar{\psi} \gamma^{\mu} [e^{iq\chi} \partial_{\mu} \psi + iq(\partial_{\mu} \chi) e^{iq\chi} \psi] - m e^{-iq\chi} e^{iq\chi} \bar{\psi} \psi$ $= \mathcal{L}' - q \bar{\psi} \gamma^{\mu} (\partial_{\mu} \chi) \psi$

But we can now make the Lagrangian invariant by adding an *interaction term* with a new gauge field A_{μ} which transforms as:

$$A_{\mu} \to A'_{\mu} = A_{\mu} - \partial_{\mu}\chi$$

We get:

$$\mathcal{L} = i\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\psi - m\bar{\psi}\psi - q\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}A_{\mu}\psi$$

A few things to note:

- 1. Gauge theories are renormalizable, i.e. calculable without infinities popping up everywhere (Nobel prize of t'Hooft and Veltman)
- 2. The new gauge field A_{μ} is the photon in QED
- 3. The mass of the fermion is the coefficient of the term on $\psi\overline{\psi}$
- 4. There is no term in $A_{\mu}A^{\mu}$ (the photon has zero mass) \rightarrow this is the beginning of the Higgs story...

Problem 1: Mass of elementary particles and gauge bosons $\overline{I}(1, \mu)$

 $\mathcal{L}_{QED} = \bar{\psi}(i\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu} - m_e)\psi - e\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\psi A_{\mu} - \frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}m_{\gamma}A_{\mu}A^{\mu}$

To keep the Lagrangian gauge invariant (against a U(1) local phase transformation) the photon field transforms as:

$$A_{\mu} \to A'_{\mu} = A_{\mu} - \partial_{\mu} \chi$$

But the A^{μ} mass term breaks the invariance of the Lagrangian:

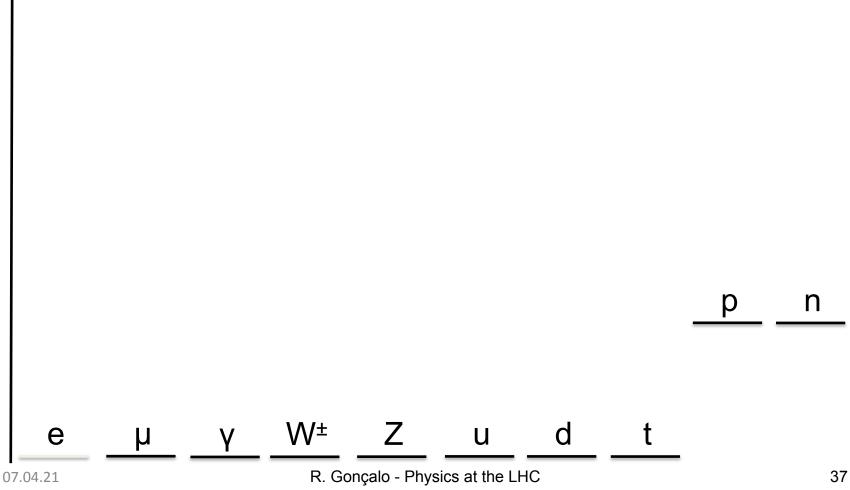
$$\frac{1}{2}m_{\gamma}A_{\mu}A^{\mu} \to \frac{1}{2}m_{\gamma}(A_{\mu} - \partial_{\mu})(A^{\mu} - \partial^{\mu}\chi) \neq \frac{1}{2}m_{\gamma}A_{\mu}A^{\mu}$$

For the SU(2)_L gauge symmetry transformations of the weak interaction the fermion mass term $m_e \overline{\Psi} \Psi$ also breaks invariance!

It should not work...



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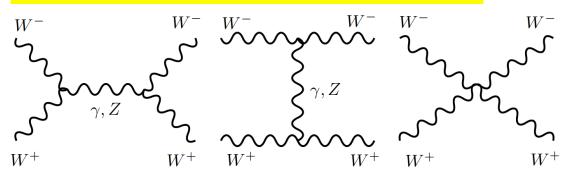
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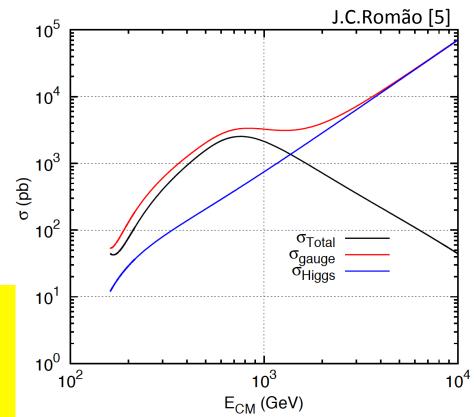
Longitudinal gauge-boson scattering

In the absence of the Higgs, some processes have cross sections that grow with the centre of mass energy of the collision... i.e. breaks unitarity!

The Higgs regulates the cross section through negative interference

Bottom line: the SM (without the Higgs mechanism) results in wrong calculations and breaks down for massive particles





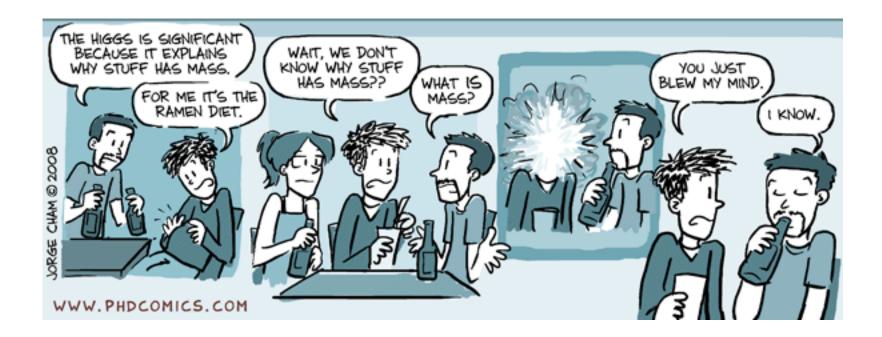
Feynman diagrams contributing to longitudinal WW scattering R. Gonçalo - Physics at the LHC 38

The Higgs Mechanism

Robert Brout (1928 – 2011)

Peter Higgs (b. 1929)

François Englert (b. 1932)



• Introduce a SU(2) doublet of spin-0 complex fields

 $\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 + i\phi_2 \\ \phi_3 + i\phi4 \end{pmatrix}$

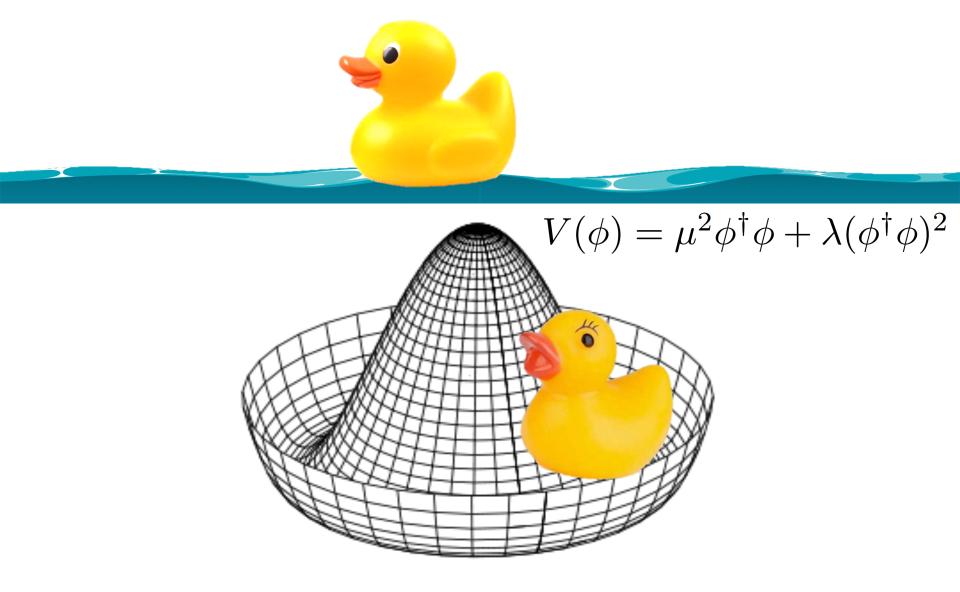
 $\mathcal{L} = (\partial_{\mu}\phi)^{\dagger}(\partial^{\mu}\phi) - V(\phi)$

 $V(\phi) = \mu^2 \phi^{\dagger} \phi + \lambda (\phi^{\dagger} \phi)^2$

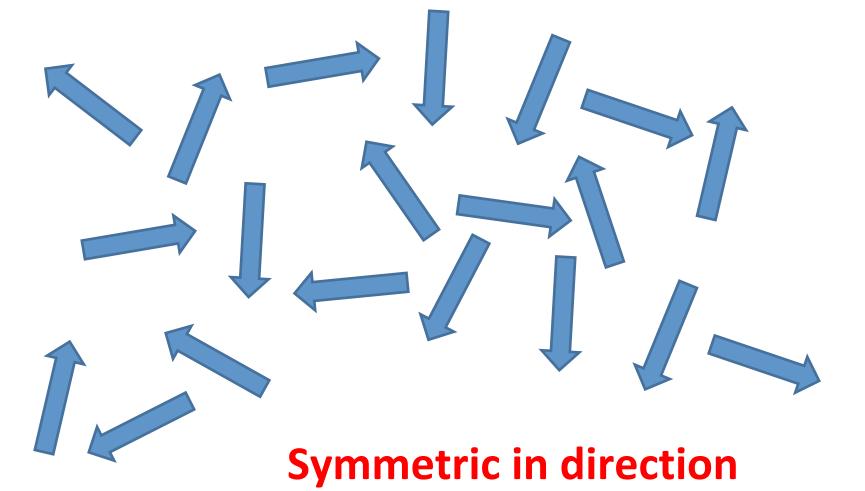
- The Lagrangian is
- With a potential
- For λ >0, μ^2 <0 the potential has a minimum at the origin
- For $\lambda > 0$, $\mu^2 < 0$ the potential has an infinite number of minima at:

$$|\phi| = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{-\frac{\mu^2}{2\lambda}}$$

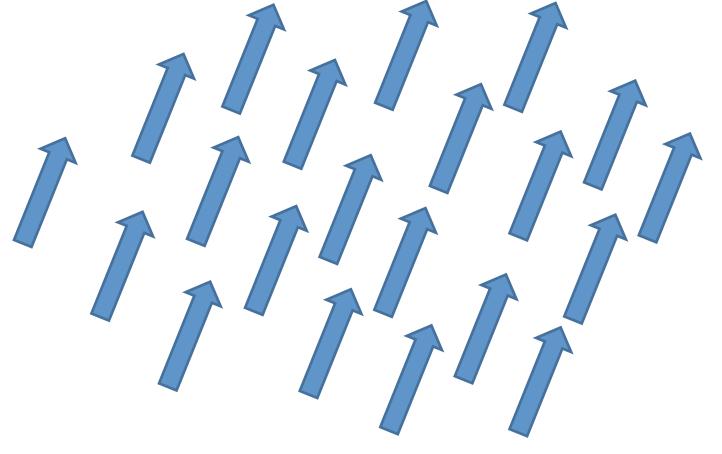
The choice of vacuum (lowest energy state of the field) breaks the symmetry of the Lagrangian 07.04.21



Magnetic material at high temperatures



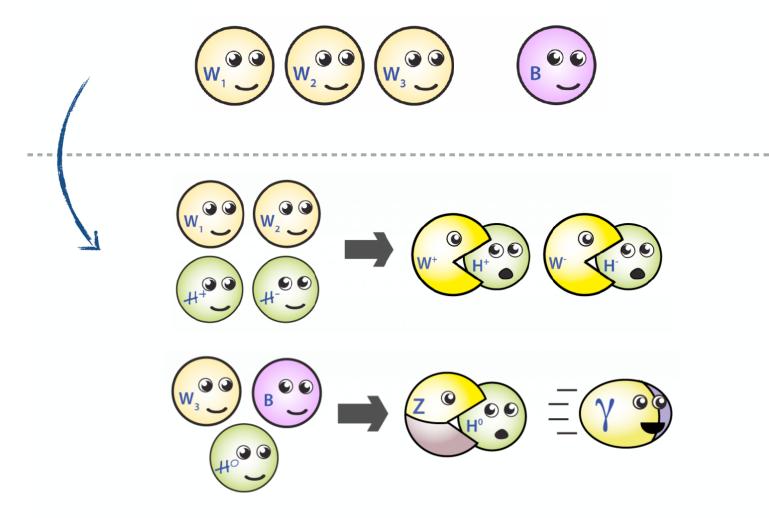
Magnetic material at low temperature



Symmetry broken – special direction

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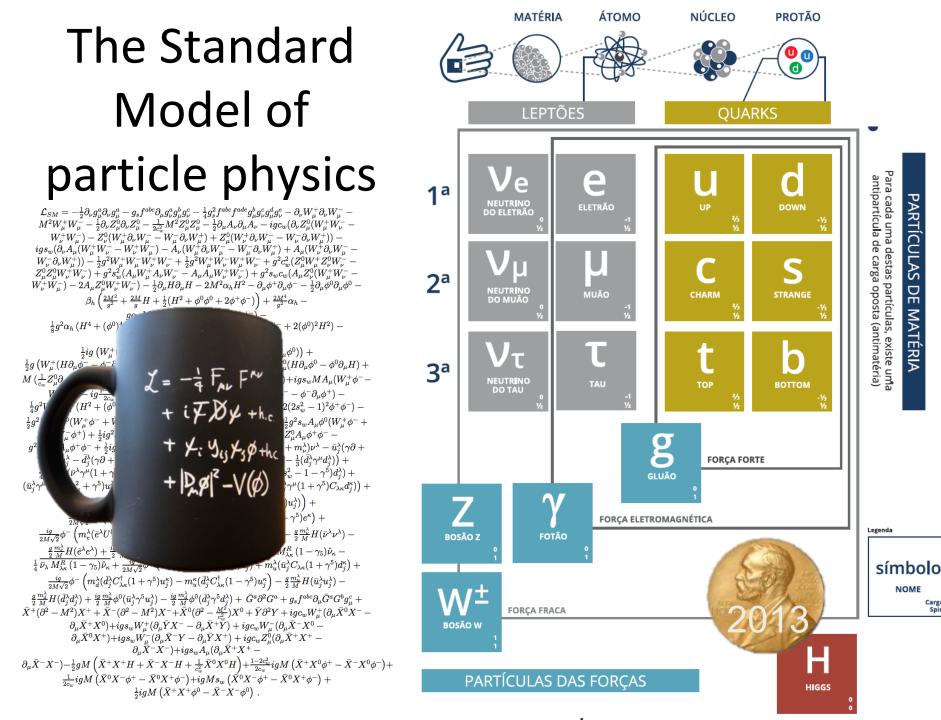
EWK Symmetry Breaking in Pictures



The Story So Far...

IN THE BEGINNING THE UNIVERSE WAS CREATED

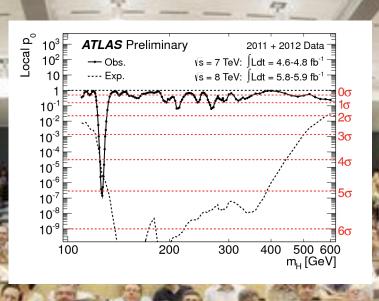
THIS MODE A LOT OF PEOPLE VERY ANGRY AND HAS BEEN WIDELY REGARDED AS A BAD MOVE



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Carga Spin

The Long Way to Discovery



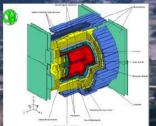
A PHENOMENOLOGICAL PROFILE OF THE HIGGS BOSON

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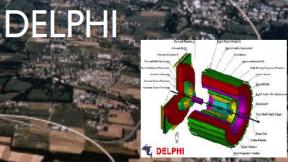
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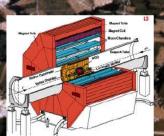
We should perhaps finish with an apology and a caution. We apologize to experimentalists for having no idea what is the mass of the Higgs boson, unlike the case with charm $^{3),4)}$ and for not being sure of its couplings to other particles, except that they are probably all very small. For these reasons 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.

Electron-positron collider up to s^{1/2}= 209 GeV Integrated luminosity: ~700 pb⁻¹ Shutdown: September 2000











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Low-mass searches at LEP

 W^{\pm} , Branching ratio

The decay branching ratios depend only on m_H:

 $\square m_{H} < 2m_{\mu}: H \rightarrow e^{+}e^{-} \text{ dominates};$

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 \Box m_H < 2m_e: H $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ + large lifetime;

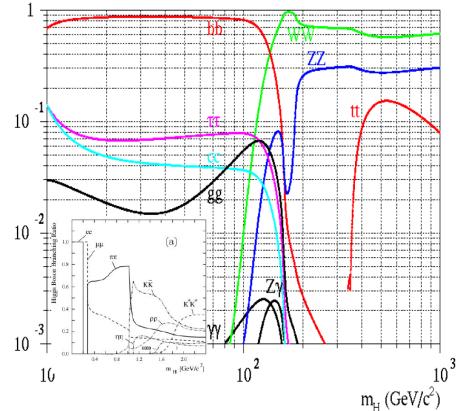
 \Box m_H < 2m_{π}: H $\rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ dominates;

 \square m_H < 3 - 4 GeV: H \rightarrow gg dominates;

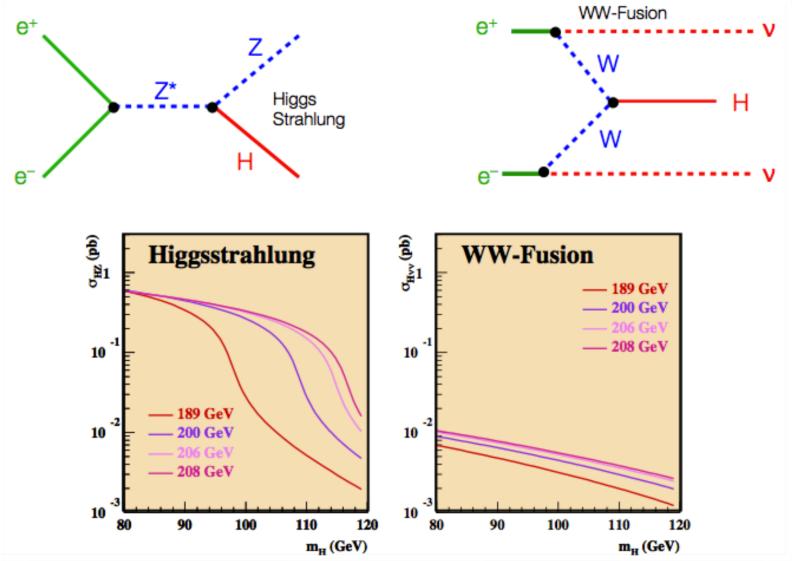
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 \Box m_H < 2m_b: H $\rightarrow \tau^{+}\tau^{-}$ and cc dominate;

 \square m_H > 2m_b up to 1000 GeV/c²:



Higher-mass Higgs production at LEP



Summary of all Higgs candidates found at LEP

Invariant mass of all candidates

In total 17 candidates selected

I 5.8 background events expected

Expectation for $m_H=115$ GeV

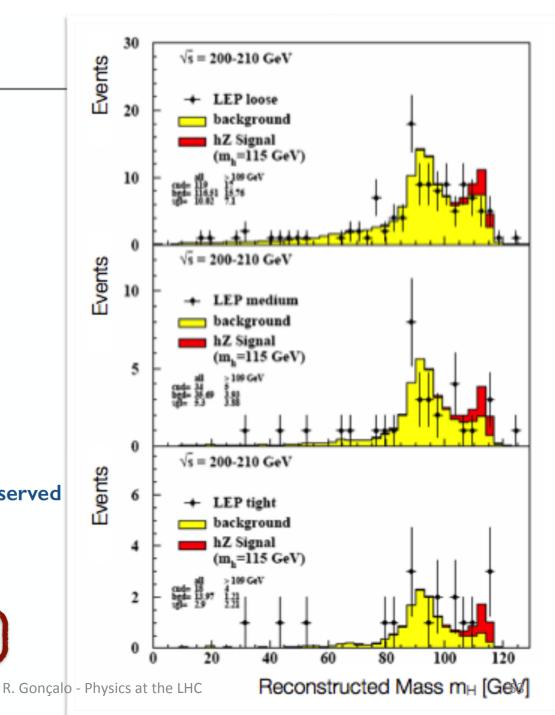
8.4 events

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Corresponding excess was not observed

Final verdict from LEP

m_H>II4.4 GeV @ 95% CL



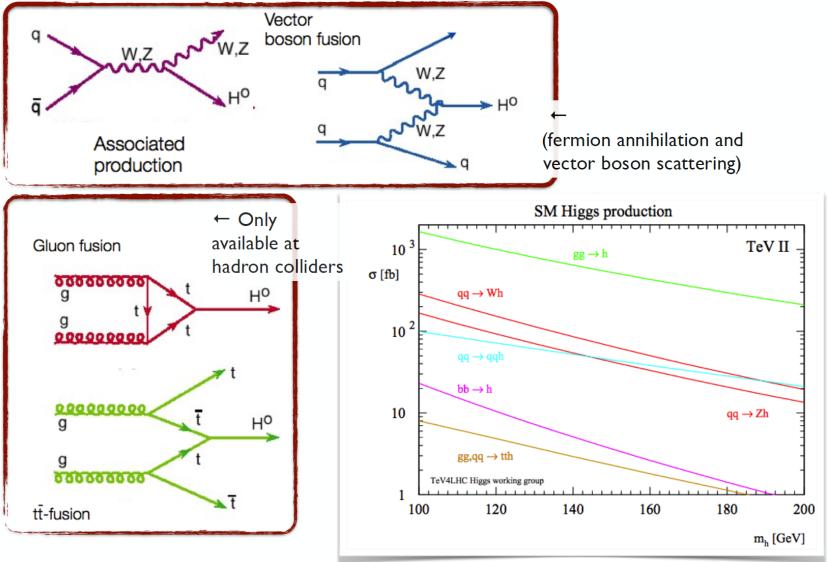
LEP's Final Legacy: the Blue Band Plot

<u>m_{Limit}</u> = 158 GeV July 2010 6 Theory uncertainf П Decades of searches $\Delta \alpha_{\rm had}^{(5)} =$ in many 5 -0.02758±0.00035 experiments... 0.02749±0.00012 ••• incl. low Q² data **4** · • By July 2010: – LEP+Tevatron+SLD 3 limits - Higgs excluded 2 m_h<114.4 GeV at 95[°]% CL Plus between 158 and 175 GeV Excluded **Preliminary** 100 300 30 07.04.21 R. Goncalo - Physics at the LHC 54 [GeV] m_

Searches at the Tevatron

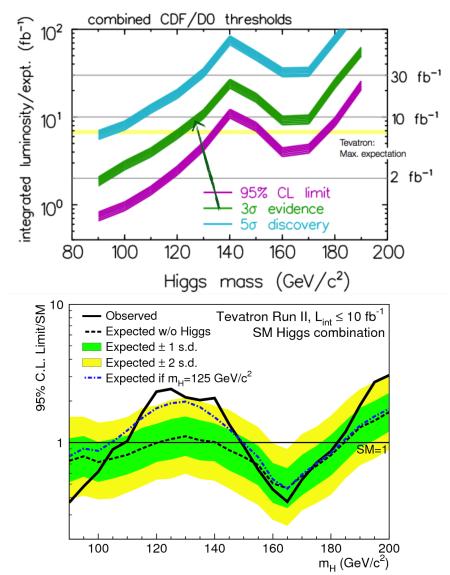
Proton-anti-proton collider at s^{1/2}=1.96 TeV First superconducting accelerator Shutdown: 30 September 2011 Almost 10 fb⁻¹ of data for analysis

Higgs production at the Tevatron



The final stand of the Tevatron

- By the end of its lifetime, the Tevatron had very sophisticated analyses of a huge number of channels
- By that time the LHC was collecting data and analysing it very fast
- The CDF and D0 experiments obtained a significant excess of around 3 standard deviations in the mass range 115<M_H<140 GeV
- Not enough to claim discovery, but consistent with the LHC results

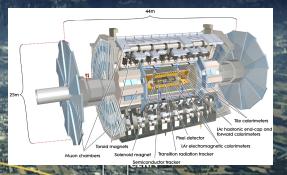


Discovery at the LHC

HCh

-CMS

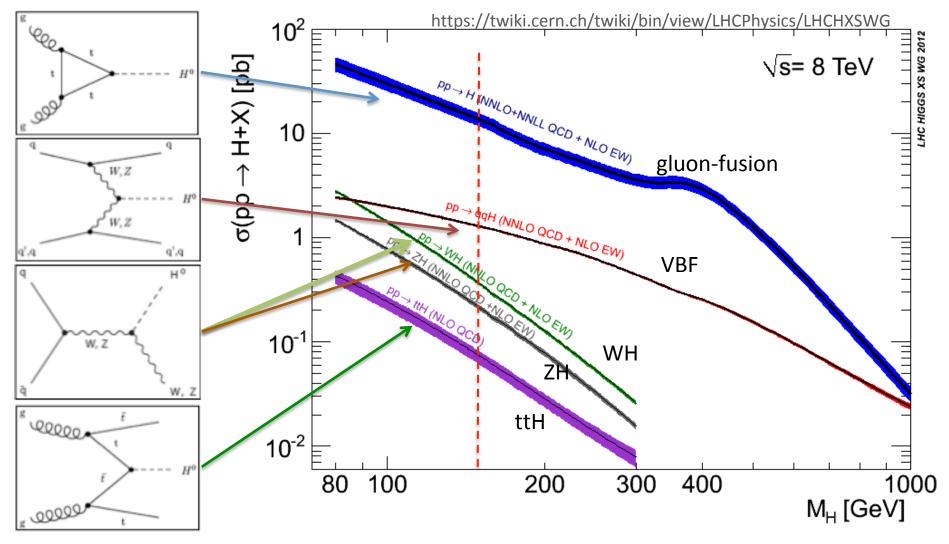
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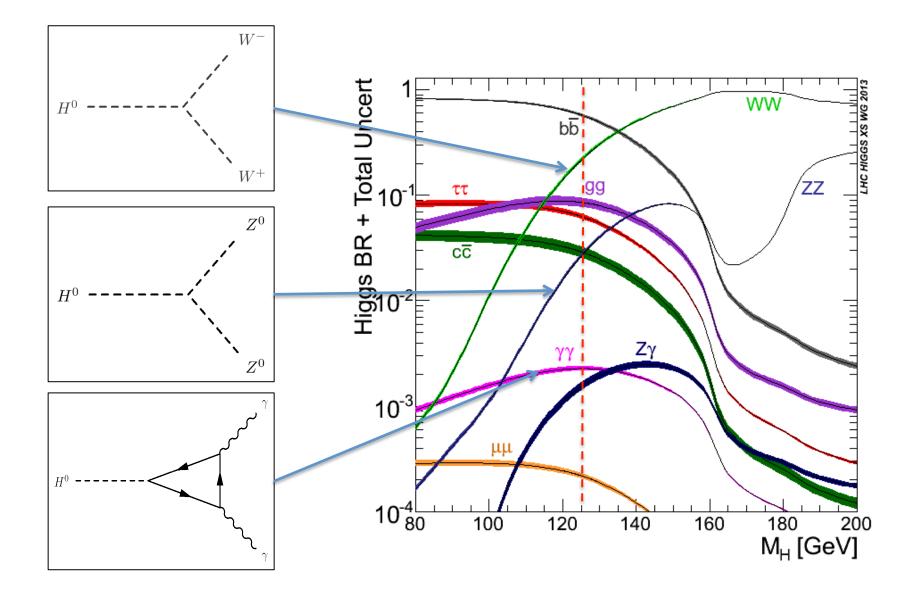


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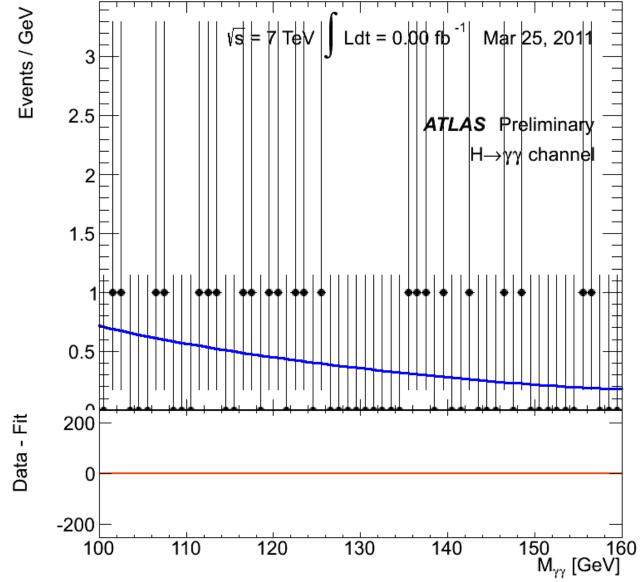
Proton-proton (and Heavy Ion) collider $s^{1/2} = 7, 8, 13$ TeV so far Operation started 2008 Physics data from 2010 Expected closure 2035 Luminosity so far: about 150 fb⁻¹ per experiment for ATLAS and CMS

At the LHC





2012: Descoberta do bosão de Higgs: H->γγ

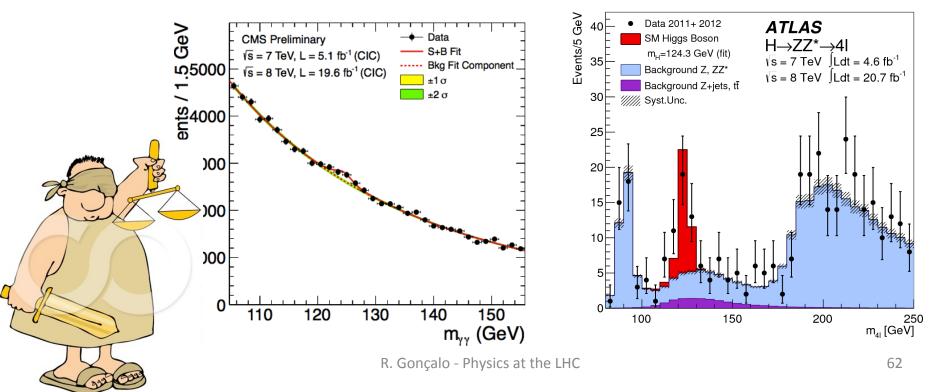


Discovery channels

Discovery was made in ATLAS and CMS with about 5 fb⁻¹ of 7 TeV data and 20 fb⁻¹ of 8 TeV data per experiment; several channels combined

 $h \to \gamma\gamma; h \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell; h \to WW^*; h \to \tau^+\tau^-; h \to b\bar{b}$

- This means about 400 000 Higgs bosons produced in about 8 000 000 000 000 000 000 (8x10¹⁵) proton collisions
 - Only about 4000 events with Higgs bosons contributed to the discovery

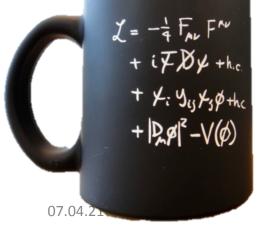


2013 Physics Nobel Prize Higgs for the Higgs Boson Discovery

François Englert, Belga, born 1932, U. Libre de Bruxelles



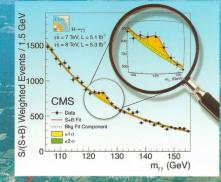
Peter Higgs, English, born 1929, Univ. of Edimburgh

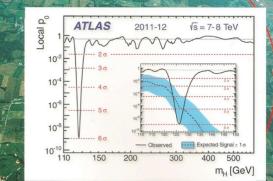


"for the **theoretical discovery** of a mechanism that contributes to our understanding of the origin of mass of subatomic particles, and which recently was confirmed through the **discovery of the predicted fundamental particle, by the ATLAS and CMS experiments at CERN's** Large Hadron Collider"



First observations of a new particle in the search for the Standard Model Higgs boson at the LHC





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Two quotations from the experimental papers presented in this publication:

"... The search for the Higgs boson, the only elementary particle in the Standard Model that has not yet been observed, is one of the highlights of the Large Hadron Collider physics program."

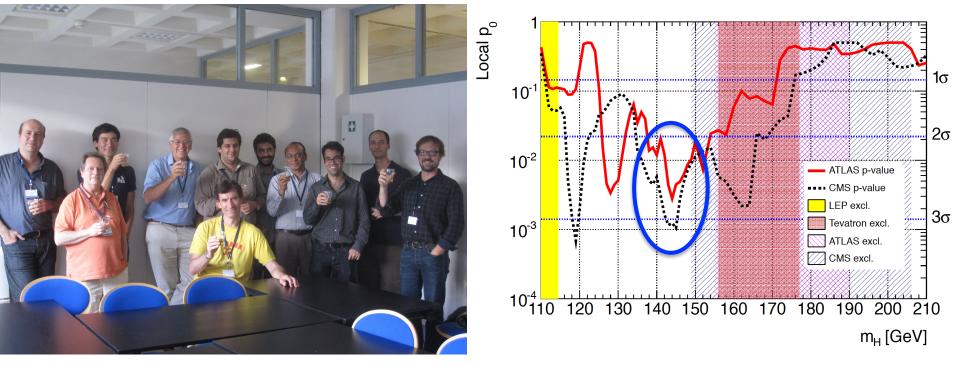
ATLAS Collaboration

" ... The decay to two photons indicates that the new particle is a boson with spin different from one. The results presented here are consistent, ... with expectations for a standard model Higgs boson."

CMS Collaboration

Bost worshes! Peter Higgs

It takes time to get it right



EPS-HEP 2011 conference [6]

Probing the 125 GeV Higgs - Examples



2HDM

Yukawa

couplings

Clavicle

Ribs

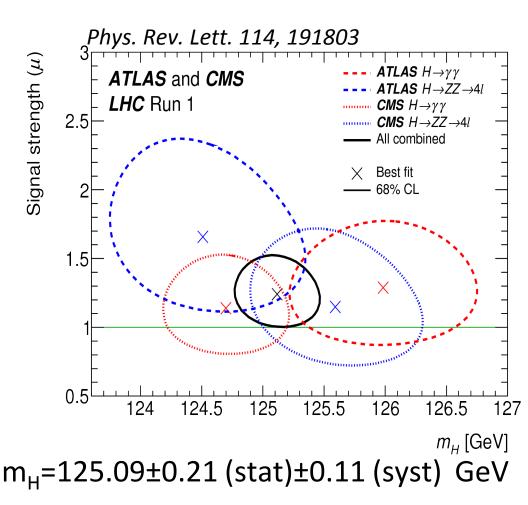
Triple coupling λ_3

Aorta

BSM

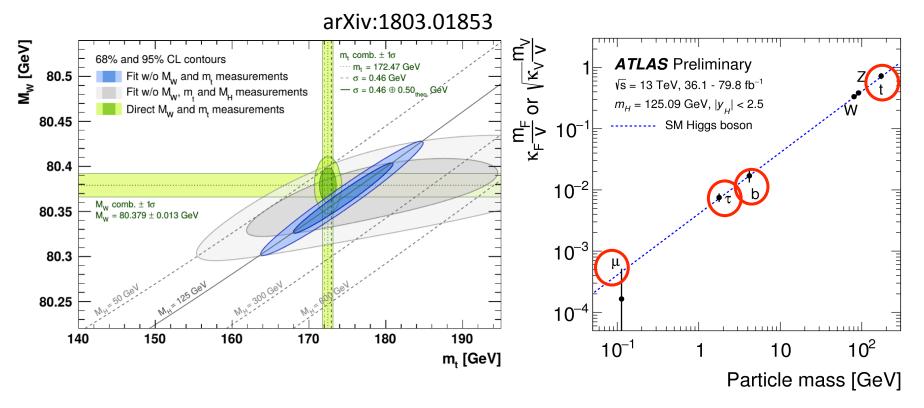
- Mass: around 125GeV
 Was the only unknown
 SM parameter ^(C)
- For a while, different mass values were being measured in ATLAS and CMS, and in different channels
- Numbers evolved with accumulated statistics
- Current most precise value from ATLAS+CMS has 0.2% precision!

Higgs boson mass



Exploring the electroweak scale

- Precision measurements of $m_{\rm W},\,m_{\rm t},\,m_{\rm H}$ are stringent tests of the SM at the EW scale
 - E.g. excluding measured m_H, global EW fit gives m_H = 90 ± 21 GeV (1.7 σ tension) driven in part by m_{top}

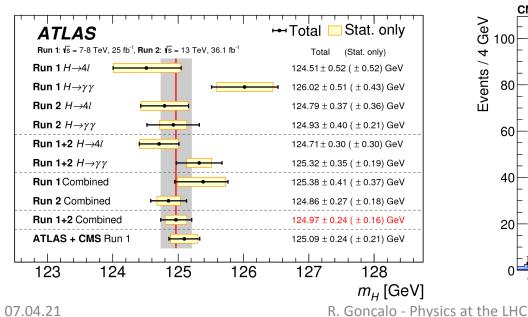


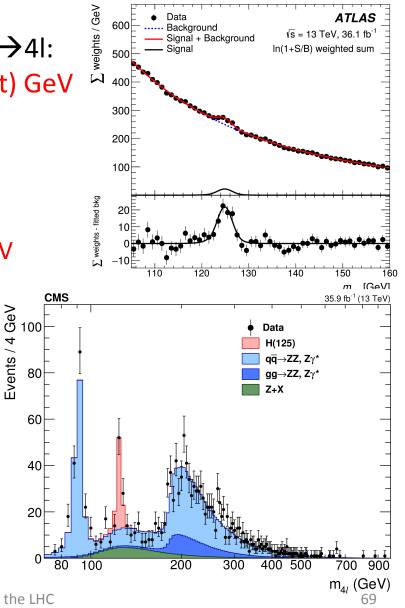


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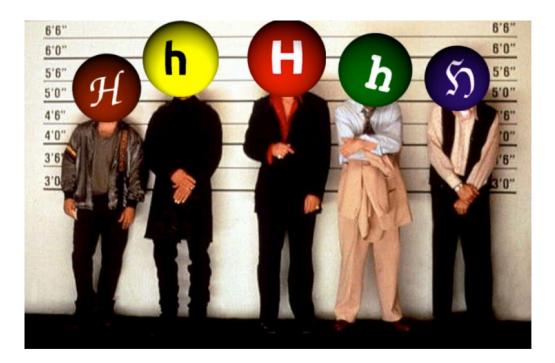
Run 2: Higgs boson mass

- Mass measurement from CMS $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4I$: $m_{H}^{ZZ^{*}}$ = 125.26 ± 0.20 (stat) ± 0.08 (syst) GeV
- New Measurements from ATLAS H→ γγ: $m_{H}^{\gamma\gamma} = 124.93 \pm 0.40 \text{ GeV}$ $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4I: m_{H}^{ZZ^*} = 124.79 \pm 0.37 \text{ GeV}$
- Run 1+2 combination from ATLAS: $m_{H} = 124.97 \pm 0.19 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.13 \text{ (syst.)} \text{ GeV}$

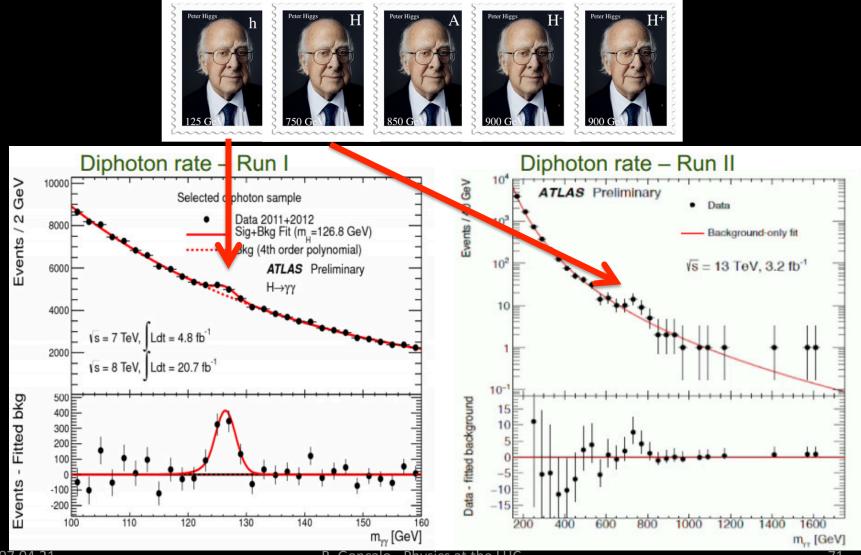




Casting a wider net



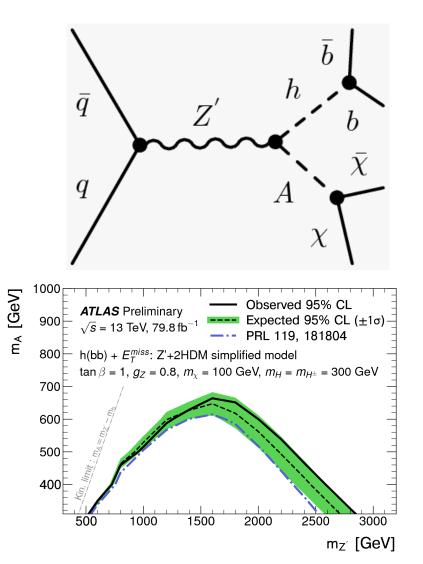
Additional Higgs bosons?



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Higgs + Dark Matter

- Used 79.8 fb⁻¹ of 13 TeV data
 - High E_T^{miss} (>150GeV) and btagging to suppress backgrounds
 - Reconstruct b-jets as 2 small jets or merged variable-radius (VR) track jets
- Signal benchmark: Type-II 2HDM + U(1)_{z'} symmetry (Z'-2HDM)
- Main backgrounds: tt, W/Z+jets
- Excluded region in $m_A m_{Z'}$ plane



Triple Higgs coupling

- The triple Higgs coupling λ_{HHH} can be probed through di-Higgs production
- Very suppressed in SM!
 - Negative interference between LO diagrams
 - Cross section 1500x less than ggF
- Wide range of decay BR and channel purity
- bbττ analysis:
 - Used 36 fb⁻¹ of 13 TeV data
 - Final state BR(bbττ)=7%
 - Non-Resonant 95% CL limit:
 μ < 12.7 observed (14.8 expexcted)
- Combination: at ≈10 x SM sensitivity
 with 3% of the HL-LHC luminosity
 analyzed

Di-Higgs combination plot here

Combined

0

10

20

30

40

95% CL upper limit on σ_{ggF} (pp \rightarrow HH) normalized to σ_{ggF}^{SM}

80

10.4

60

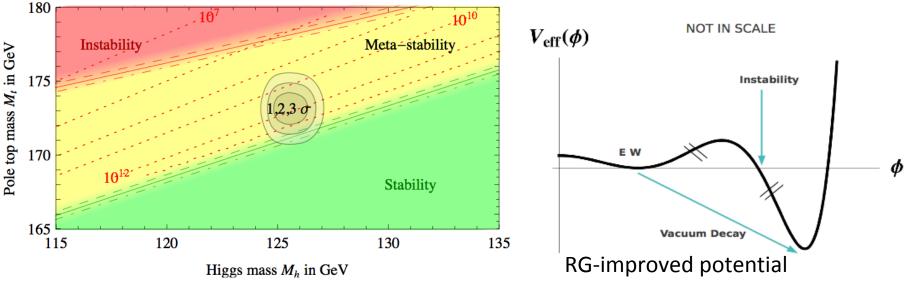
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A bit of fun...

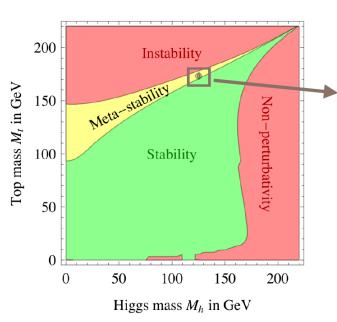


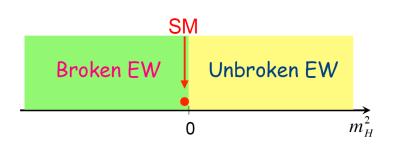
- What if...
 - At higher orders, Higgs potential doesn't have to be stable
 - Depending on m_t and m_H second minimum can be lower than EW minimum ⇒ tunneling between EW vacuum and true vacuum?!
- "For a narrow band of values of the top quark and Higgs boson masses, the Standard Model Higgs potential develops a shallow local minimum at energies of about 10¹⁶ GeV, where primordial inflation could have started in a cold metastable state", I. Masina, arXiv:1403.5244 [astro-ph.CO]
 - See also: V. Brachina, Moriond 2014 (Phys.Rev.Lett.111, 241801 (2013)), G. Degrassi et al, arXiv:1205.6497v2; R.Contino, Workshop sulla fisica p-p a LHC, 2013

The universe seems to live near a critical condition JHEP 1208 (2012) 098 Why?!

Explained by underlying theory?

Anthropic principle?







Questions?

Thank you for your interest!

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ONE MORE GODDAMN TIME

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