The Standard Model of Particles and Interactions III- Towards The Standard Model

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More about Matter and Higgs fields

Nature is symmetric under the group of Lorentz transformations, rotations, and translations which all together form the Poincaré group.

Particles are classified by spin: scalars, fermionic spinors, vector bosons. They correspond to irreducible representations of the Poincaré group

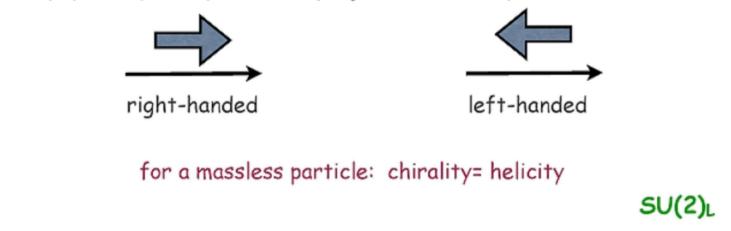
Spinors are of two types: the fundamental (left-handed) and the antifundamental (right-handed). The chirality of a spin 1/2 field refers to whether it is in the fundamental or the anti-fundamental and is therefore a label associated with a representation of the Lorentz group

Weyl spinors
$$\Psi_L:(rac{1}{2},0)$$
 $\Psi_R:(0,rac{1}{2})$

Dirac spinor

 $\Psi = \begin{bmatrix} \Psi_L \\ \Psi_D \end{bmatrix}$

helicity is a physical quantity: it is the projection of the spin onto the direction of motion



(thus we call the fundamental spinors the left-handed spinors and the antifundamental spinors the right-handed spinors)

The Standard model is a chiral theory: the left-handed and right-handed spinors not only transform differently under the Lorentz group but also under the EW gauge group SU(2)_*U(1)

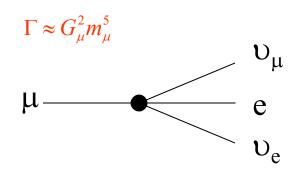
The left-handed fields are denoted $Q = (u_L, d_L)$ and $L = (V_L, e_L)$ while the right-handed fields are denoted u_R , d_R and e_R

Fermi Model

• Current-current interaction of 4 fermions

 $L_{FERMI} = -2\sqrt{2}G_F J_\rho^+ J^\rho$

- Consider just leptonic current $J_{\rho}^{lept} = \overline{v}_{e} \gamma_{\rho} \left(\frac{1-\gamma_{5}}{2}\right) e + \overline{v}_{\mu} \gamma_{\rho} \left(\frac{1-\gamma_{5}}{2}\right) \mu + hc$
- Only left-handed fermions feel charged current weak interactions (maximal P violation)
- This induces muon decay



 $G_F = 1.16639 \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$

This structure known since Fermi 5

Fermion Multiplet Structure

- Ψ_L couples to W^{\pm} (cf Fermi theory)
 - Put in SU(2) doublets with weak isospin $I_3 = \pm 1/2$
- Ψ_R doesn't couple to W^{\pm}
 - Put in SU(2) singlet with weak isospin $I=I_3=0$

What about fermion masses?

Fermion mass term:

term: $L = m\overline{\Psi}\Psi = m(\overline{\Psi}_L\Psi_L + \overline{\Psi}_R\Psi_R) \qquad \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Forbidden by} \\ \text{SU}(2)\text{xU}(1) \text{ gauge} \end{array}$ $Q_L = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix}_L$

- Left-handed fermions are SU(2) doublets
- Scalar couplings to fermions:

$$L_d = -\lambda_d Q_L \Phi d_R + h.c.$$

Effective Higgs-fermion coupling

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$$L_d = -\lambda_d \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\overline{u}_L, \overline{d}_L) \begin{pmatrix} 0\\ v+h \end{pmatrix} d_R + h.c.$$

Mass term for down quark:

$$\lambda_d = -\frac{M_d \sqrt{2}}{v}$$

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invariance

Fermion Masses, 2

• M_u from $\Phi_c=i\tau_2\Phi^*$



$$L = -\lambda_u \overline{Q}_L \Phi^* u_R + hc$$

• For 3 generations, α , β =1,2,3 (flavor indices)

$$L_{Y} = -\frac{(\nu+h)}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{\alpha,\beta} \left(\lambda_{u}^{\alpha\beta} \overline{u}_{L}^{\alpha} u_{R}^{\beta} + \lambda_{d}^{\alpha\beta} \overline{d}_{L}^{\alpha} d_{R}^{\beta} \right) + h.c.$$

Fermion masses, 3

• Unitary matrices diagonalize mass matrices

$$u_{L}^{\alpha} = U_{u}^{\alpha\beta} u_{L}^{m\beta} \qquad d_{L}^{\alpha} = U_{d}^{\alpha\beta} d_{L}^{m\beta}$$
$$u_{R}^{\alpha} = V_{u}^{\alpha\beta} u_{R}^{m\beta} \qquad d_{R}^{\alpha} = V_{d}^{\alpha\beta} d_{R}^{m\beta}$$

- Yukawa couplings are *diagonal* in mass basis
- Neutral currents remain flavor diagonal

• Charged current:

$$J^{+\mu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \overline{u}_{L}^{\alpha} \gamma^{\mu} d_{L}^{\alpha} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \overline{u}_{L}^{m\alpha} \gamma^{\mu} (U_{u}^{+} V_{d})_{d\beta} d_{L}^{\beta m}$$
 CKM matrix

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- Why are the W and Z boson masses non-zero?
- U(1) gauge theory with single spin-1 gauge field, A_{μ}

$$L = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$
$$F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\nu} A_{\mu} - \partial_{\mu} A_{\nu}$$

• U(1) local gauge invariance:

 $A_{\mu}(x) \to A_{\mu}(x) - \partial_{\mu}\eta(x)$

• Mass term for A would look like:

$$L = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} m^2 A_{\mu} A^{\mu}$$

- Mass term violates local gauge invariance
- We understand why $M_A = 0$

Gauge invariance is guiding principle

• Add complex scalar field, φ , with charge –e:

$$L = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \left| D_{\mu} \phi \right|^2 - V(\phi)$$

• Where

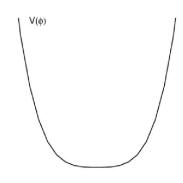
$$D_{\mu} = \partial_{\mu} - ieA_{\mu} \qquad F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}A_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}A_{\mu}$$
$$V(\phi) = \mu^{2} |\phi|^{2} + \lambda (\phi|^{2})^{2}$$

• L is invariant under local U(1) transformations:

$$A_{\mu}(x) \to A_{\mu}(x) - \partial_{\mu}\eta(x)$$

$$\phi(x) \to e^{-ie\eta(x)}\phi(x)$$

- Case 1: $\mu^2 > 0$
 - QED with $M_A=0$ and $m_{\phi}=\mu$
 - Unique minimum at $\varphi=0$



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 $\lambda > 0$

- Case 2: $\mu^2 < 0$ $V(\phi) = -|\mu^2||\phi|^2 + \lambda |\phi|^2$
- Minimum energy state at:

$$<\phi>=\sqrt{-\frac{\mu^2}{\lambda}}\equiv\frac{v}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Vacuum breaks U(1) symmetry

Aside: What fixes sign (μ^2) ?



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• Rewrite $\phi \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i\frac{\chi}{v}} (v+h)$ χ and h are the 2 degrees freedom of the complex χ and h are the 2 degrees of Higgs field

- L becomes: $L = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - ev A_{\mu} \partial^{\mu} \chi + \frac{e^2 v^2}{2} A^{\mu} A_{\mu} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\partial_{\mu} h \partial^{\mu} h + 2\mu^2 h^2 \right)$ $+ \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} \chi \partial^{\mu} \chi + (h, \chi \cdot \text{int } eraction)$
- Theory now has: •
 - Photon of mass $M_A = ev$
 - Scalar field h with mass-squared $-2\mu^2 > 0$
 - Massless scalar field χ (Goldstone Boson)

- What about mixed χ -A propagator?
 - Remove by gauge transformation

$$A'_{\mu} \equiv A_{\mu} - \frac{1}{ev} \partial_{\mu} \chi$$

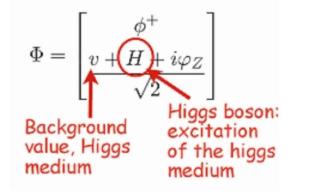
- χ field disappears
 - We say that it has been *eaten* to give the photon mass
 - $-\chi$ field called Goldstone boson
 - This is Abelian Higgs Mechanism
 - This gauge (unitary) contains only physical particles

$$L = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + \frac{e^2v^2}{2}A'^{\mu}A'_{\mu} + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_{\mu}h\partial^{\mu}h) - V(h)$$

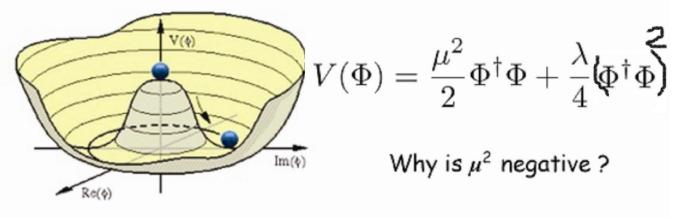
Higgs Mechanism summarized

Spontaneous breaking of a gauge theory by a non-zero VEV of a scalar field results in the disappearance of a Goldstone boson and its transformation into the longitudinal component of a massive gauge boson The (adhoc) Higgs Mechanism (a model without dynamics)

EW symmetry breaking is described by the condensation of a scalar field



The Higgs selects a vacuum state by developing a non zero background value. When it does so, it gives mass to SM particles it couples to.



the puzzle:

We do not know what makes the Higgs condensate. We ARRANGE the Higgs potential so that the Higgs condensates but this is just a parametrization that we are unable to explain dynamically.₁₇

The gauge symmetries of the Standard Model

Gauge Group $U(1)_Y$ (abelian) $\psi' = e^{-iY g' \alpha_Y} \psi,$ $B'_{\mu} = B_{\mu} + \partial_{\mu} \alpha_{Y}$ $B_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}B_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}B_{\mu}$ $D_{\mu}\psi = (\partial_{\mu} + i g' Y B_{\mu})\psi$ Gauge Group $SU(2)_L$ acts on the two components of a doublet Ψ_L =(uL,dL) or (ν_L ,eL) $\Psi_L \to e^{-ig T^a \alpha^a} \psi_L \quad U = e^{-ig T^a \alpha^a} \quad T^a = \sigma^a/2$ Pauli matrices $\sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \sigma_2 = -i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ $W^a_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu W^a_\nu - \partial_\nu W^a_\mu - g \epsilon^{abc} W^b_\mu W^c_\nu, \quad a = 1, \dots, 3$ $D_{\mu}\psi_{L} = (\partial_{\mu} + i g W^{a}_{\mu}T^{a}) \psi_{L}$ Gauge Group $SU(3)_c$ $q=(q_1,q_2,q_3)$ (the three color degrees of freedom) $q \to e^{-i g_{s} T^{a} \alpha^{a}} q \quad U = e^{-i g_{s} T^{a} \alpha^{a}} \left[T^{a}, T^{b} \right] = i f^{abc} T^{c} \qquad (3 \times 3) \text{ Gell-Man matrices}$ $G^{a}_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}G^{a}_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}G^{a}_{\mu} - gf^{abc}G^{b}_{\mu}G^{c}_{\nu}, \quad a = 1, \dots, 8$ $\lambda_{4} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \lambda_{5} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \lambda_{6} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $D_{\mu}q = \left(\partial_{\mu} + i g G^{a}_{\mu}T^{a}\right)q$ $\lambda_7 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \lambda_8 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

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$$\mathcal{L}_{YM} = \bar{\Psi}(i\gamma^{\mu}D_{\mu} - m)\Psi - \frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}$$

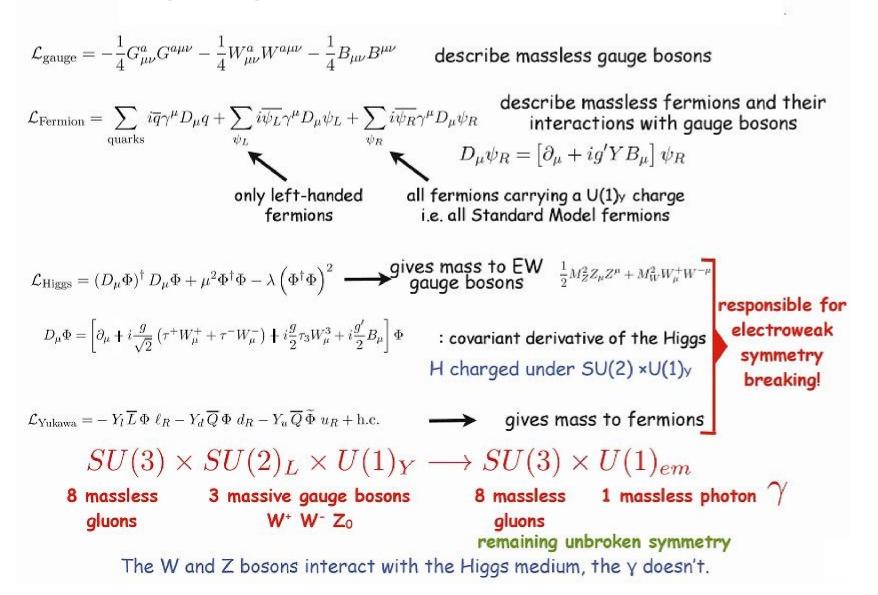
all Standard Model fermions carry U(1) charge

Ψ_L=(u_L, d_L) or (ν_L, e_L) only left-handed fermions charged under it -> chiral interactions

q=(q1,q2,q3)

all quarks transform under it -> vector-like interactions

The Lagrangian of the Standard Model



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{gauge}} = -\frac{1}{4} G^{a}_{\mu\nu} G^{a\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} W^{a}_{\mu\nu} W^{a\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} \qquad 21$$

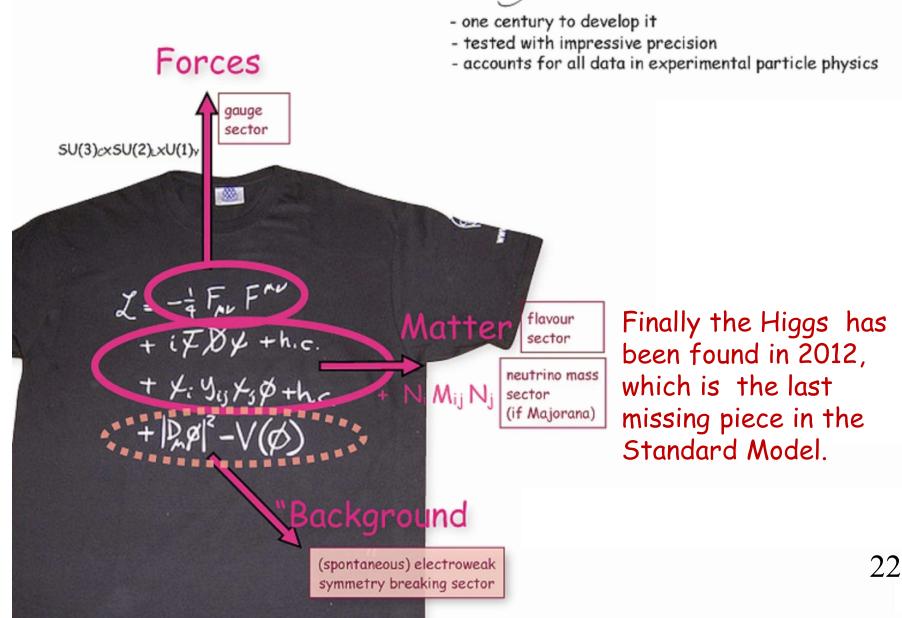
$$\frac{SU(3)_{c}}{SU(2)_{L}} \qquad \qquad U(1)_{Y}$$

$$G^{a}_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}G^{a}_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}G^{a}_{\mu} - gf^{abc}G^{b}_{\mu}G^{c}_{\nu} \qquad W^{a}_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}W^{a}_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}W^{a}_{\mu} + ge^{abc}W^{b}_{\mu}W^{c}_{\nu}, \qquad B_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}B_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}B_{\mu}$$
in mass eigen state basis
$$W^{\pm}_{\mu} = \frac{W^{\pm}_{\mu} \mp W^{2}_{\mu}}{\sqrt{2}} \qquad Z_{\mu} = W^{a}_{\mu}\cos\theta_{W} + B_{\mu}\sin\theta_{W}$$

$$\cos\theta_{W} = g/\sqrt{g^{2} + g^{2}} \qquad \sin\theta_{W} = g'/\sqrt{g^{2} + g^{2}}$$

$$\psi^{a}_{\mu}, a \qquad \nu, b \qquad Hree gauge$$
boson vertex
$$W^{a}_{\mu}, a \qquad W^{a}_{\mu}, a \qquad W^{a}_$$

The Standard Model of Particle Physics



Field	SU(3)	$SU(2)_L$	T^3	$\frac{Y}{2}$	$Q = T^3 + \frac{Y}{2}$
g^a_μ (gluons)	8	1	0	0	0
$(W^{\pm}_{\mu}, W^{0}_{\mu})$	1	3	$(\pm 1, 0)$	0	$(\pm 1, 0)$
B^0_μ	1	1	0	0	0
$Q_L = \left(\begin{array}{c} u_L \\ d_L \end{array}\right)$	3	2	$\left(\begin{array}{c}\frac{1}{2}\\-\frac{1}{2}\end{array}\right)$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\left(\begin{array}{c}\frac{2}{3}\\-\frac{1}{3}\end{array}\right)$
u_R	3	1	0	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$
d_R	3	1	0	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$
$E_L = \left(\begin{array}{c} \nu_L \\ e_L \end{array}\right)$	1	2	$\left(\begin{array}{c}\frac{1}{2}\\-\frac{1}{2}\end{array}\right)$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	$\left(\begin{array}{c}0\\-1\end{array}\right)$
e_R	1	1	0	-1	-1
$\Phi = \left(\begin{array}{c} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{array}\right)$	1	2	$ \left(\begin{array}{c}\frac{1}{2}\\-\frac{1}{2}\end{array}\right) $	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1\\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$
$\Phi^c = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^0 \\ \phi^- \end{pmatrix}$	1	2	$ \left(\begin{array}{c}\frac{1}{2}\\-\frac{1}{2}\end{array}\right) $	$-\frac{1}{2}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

Lots still not understood!

•How to calculate predictions for the hard questions in QCD?

• What happens at nearby energies to allow the force couplings to unify at much higher energy? SUSY?

- What causes the fermions to have the observed mass pattern?
- What about neutrinos

Lots still not understood!

•What gives the universe matter excess over antimatter?

- What particles make up most of the (dark) mass of the universe?
- Where did the "dark energy" come from?
- What about gravity?

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