



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

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The gauge symmetries of the Standard Model

The (Yang-Mills) action $\mathcal{L}_{YM} = \bar{\Psi}(i\gamma^\mu D_\mu - m)\Psi - \frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}$ is invariant under

$$\Psi(x) \rightarrow U(x)\Psi(x)$$

Abelian U(1) symmetry

$$U(x) = e^{-iq\theta(x)}$$

Non-abelian SU(N)

$$U(x) = e^{-ig\theta^a(x)T^a}$$

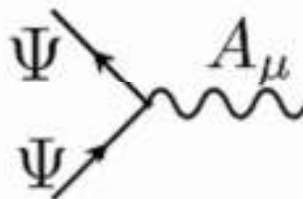
T^a : N^2-1 generators ($N \times N$ matrices) acting on

$$A_\mu(x) = A_\mu^a T^a$$

$$A_\mu(x) \rightarrow A_\mu + \frac{i}{q}(\partial_\mu U)U^\dagger$$

$$A_\mu(x) \rightarrow U A_\mu U^\dagger + \frac{i}{g}(\partial_\mu U)U^\dagger$$

coupling constants



infinitesimal transformation

$$U(x) = 1 - ig\theta^a(x)T^a + \mathcal{O}(\theta^2)$$

$$A_\mu^a(x) \longrightarrow A_\mu^a + \partial_\mu \theta^a - gf^{abc}\theta^b A_\mu^c$$

$$D_\mu \Psi = (\partial_\mu + iqA_\mu)\Psi$$

$$D_\mu \Psi = (\partial_\mu + igA_\mu^a T^a)\Psi$$

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 anti-fundamental (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**

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Weyl spinors} & \begin{array}{l} \Psi_L : (\frac{1}{2}, 0) \\ \Psi_R : (0, \frac{1}{2}) \end{array} \\ \text{Dirac spinor} & \Psi = \begin{bmatrix} \Psi_L \\ \Psi_R \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

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



for a massless particle: chirality = helicity

$SU(2)_L$

(thus we call the fundamental spinors the left-handed spinors and the anti-fundamental 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

$SU(2)_L \times U(1)$

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

Fermi Model

- Current-current interaction of 4 fermions

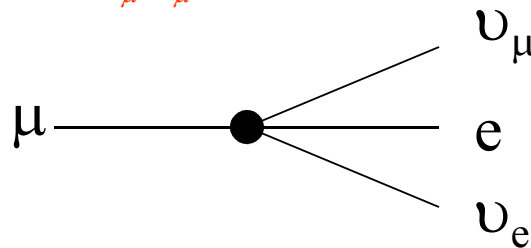
$$L_{FERMI} = -2\sqrt{2}G_F J_\rho^+ J^\rho$$

- Consider just leptonic current

$$J_\rho^{lept} = \bar{\nu}_e \gamma_\rho \left(\frac{1-\gamma_5}{2} \right) e + \bar{\nu}_\mu \gamma_\rho \left(\frac{1-\gamma_5}{2} \right) \mu + hc$$

- Only left-handed fermions feel charged current weak interactions (maximal P violation)
- This induces muon decay

$$\Gamma \approx G_F^2 m_\mu^5$$



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

This structure known
since Fermi

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:

$$L = m \bar{\Psi} \Psi = m (\bar{\Psi}_L \Psi_L + \bar{\Psi}_R \Psi_R)$$



Forbidden by
SU(2)xU(1) gauge
invariance

- Left-handed fermions are SU(2) doublets

$$Q_L = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix}_L$$

- Scalar couplings to fermions:

$$L_d = -\lambda_d \bar{Q}_L \Phi d_R + h.c.$$

- Effective Higgs-fermion coupling

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

- Mass term for down quark:

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

Fermion Masses, 2

- M_u from $\Phi_c = i\tau_2 \Phi^*$

$$\Phi^* = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\phi}^0 \\ -\phi^- \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_u = -\frac{M_u \sqrt{2}}{v}$$

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

- For 3 generations, $\alpha, \beta=1,2,3$ (flavor indices)

$$L_Y = -\frac{(v+h)}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \left(\lambda_u^{\alpha\beta} \bar{u}_L^\alpha u_R^\beta + \lambda_d^{\alpha\beta} \bar{d}_L^\alpha d_R^\beta \right) + h.c.$$

Fermion masses, 3

- Unitary matrices diagonalize mass matrices

$$\begin{aligned} u_L^\alpha &= U_u^{\alpha\beta} u_L^{m\beta} & d_L^\alpha &= U_d^{\alpha\beta} d_L^{m\beta} \\ u_R^\alpha &= V_u^{\alpha\beta} u_R^{m\beta} & d_R^\alpha &= V_d^{\alpha\beta} d_R^{m\beta} \end{aligned}$$

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

- Charged current:

$$J^{+\mu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{u}_L^\alpha \gamma^\mu d_L^\alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{u}_L^{m\alpha} \gamma^\mu (U_u^\dagger V_d)_{\alpha\beta} d_L^{m\beta}$$

CKM matrix

Abelian Higgs Model

- 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:

$$A_\mu(x) \rightarrow A_\mu(x) - \partial_\mu \eta(x)$$

- 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

Abelian Higgs Model, 2

- Add complex scalar field, ϕ , with charge $-e$:

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

- Where

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu - ieA_\mu$$

$$F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$$

$$V(\phi) = \mu^2 |\phi|^2 + \lambda (|\phi|^2)^2$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} A_\mu(x) &\rightarrow A_\mu(x) - \partial_\mu \eta(x) \\ \phi(x) &\rightarrow e^{-ie\eta(x)} \phi(x) \end{aligned}$$

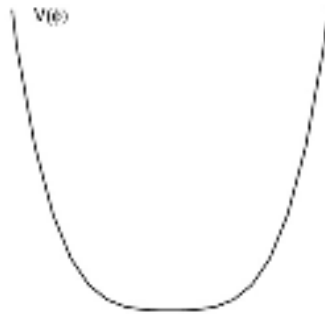
Abelian Higgs Model, 3

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

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

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$$\lambda > 0$$

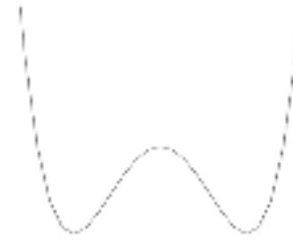
Abelian Higgs Model, 4

- Case 2: $\mu^2 < 0$

$$V(\phi) = -|\mu^2||\phi|^2 + \lambda(|\phi|^2)^2$$

- Minimum energy state at:

$$\langle \phi \rangle = \sqrt{-\frac{\mu^2}{\lambda}} \equiv \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}}$$



Vacuum breaks U(1) symmetry

Aside: What fixes sign (μ^2)?

Abelian Higgs Model, 5

- Rewrite

$$\phi \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i\frac{\chi}{v}} (v + h)$$

χ and h are the 2 degrees of freedom of the complex Higgs field

- L becomes:

$$L = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - ev A_\mu \partial^\mu \chi + \frac{e^2 v^2}{2} A^\mu A_\mu + \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu h \partial^\mu h + 2\mu^2 h^2) + \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \chi \partial^\mu \chi + (h, \chi \cdot \text{interaction})$$

- 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*)

Abelian Higgs Model, 6

- 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
 - χ field called Goldstone boson
 - *This is Abelian Higgs Mechanism*
 - This gauge (unitary) contains only physical particles

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

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 (ad hoc) Higgs Mechanism (a model without dynamics)

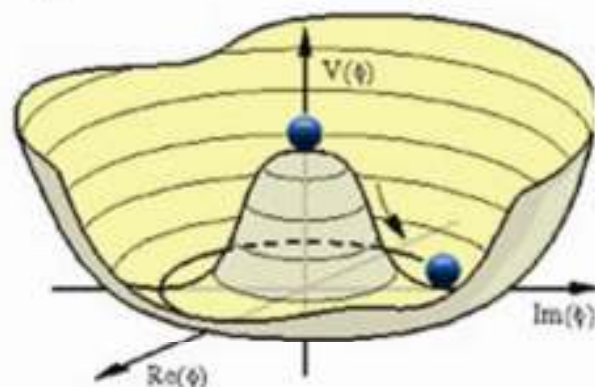
EW symmetry breaking is described by the condensation of a scalar field

$$\Phi = \begin{bmatrix} \phi^+ \\ v + \frac{H}{\sqrt{2}} + i\phi_z \end{bmatrix}$$

Background value, Higgs medium

Higgs boson: excitation of the higgs medium

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.



$$V(\Phi) = \frac{\mu^2}{2} \Phi^\dagger \Phi + \frac{\lambda}{4} (\Phi^\dagger \Phi)^2$$

Why is μ^2 negative?

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

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 $\Psi_L = (u_L, d_L)$ or (ν_L, e_L)

$$\Psi_L \rightarrow e^{-i g T^a \alpha^a} \psi_L \quad U = e^{-i g T^a \alpha^a} \quad T^a = \sigma^a/2 \quad \text{Pauli matrices}$$

$$W_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu W_\nu^a - \partial_\nu W_\mu^a - g \epsilon^{abc} W_\mu^b W_\nu^c, \quad a = 1, \dots, 3 \quad \sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \sigma_2 = -i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D_\mu \psi_L = (\partial_\mu + i g W_\mu^a T^a) \psi_L$$

Gauge Group $SU(3)_c$ $q=(q_1, q_2, q_3)$ (the three color degrees of freedom)

$$q \rightarrow e^{-i g_s T^a \alpha^a} q \quad U = e^{-i g_s T^a \alpha^a} \quad [T^a, T^b] = i f^{abc} T^c \quad (3 \times 3) \text{ Gell-Mann matrices}$$

$$G_\mu^a T^a \rightarrow U G_\mu^a T^a U^{-1} + \frac{i}{g_s} \partial_\mu U U^{-1} \quad \lambda_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$G_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu G_\nu^a - \partial_\nu G_\mu^a - g_s f^{abc} G_\mu^b G_\nu^c, \quad a = 1, \dots, 8 \quad \lambda_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_6 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D_\mu q = (\partial_\mu + i g_s G_\mu^a T^a) q$$

$$\lambda_7 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_8 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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all Standard Model fermions
carry $U(1)$ charge

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only left-handed fermions charged
under it \rightarrow chiral interactions

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$$D_\mu q = (\partial_\mu + i g_s G_\mu^a T^a) q$$

$$q = (q_1, q_2, q_3)$$

all quarks transform under it
 \rightarrow vector-like interactions

The Lagrangian of the Standard Model

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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{gauge}} = -\frac{1}{4}G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4}W_{\mu\nu}^a W^{a\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4}B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} \quad \text{describe massless gauge bosons}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Fermion}} = \sum_{\text{quarks}} i\bar{q}\gamma^\mu D_\mu q + \sum_{\psi_L} i\bar{\psi}_L\gamma^\mu D_\mu \psi_L + \sum_{\psi_R} i\bar{\psi}_R\gamma^\mu D_\mu \psi_R \quad \text{describe massless fermions and their interactions with gauge bosons}$$

$$D_\mu \psi_R = [\partial_\mu + ig'Y B_\mu] \psi_R$$

only left-handed fermions

all fermions carrying a $U(1)_Y$ charge
i.e. all Standard Model fermions

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Higgs}} = (D_\mu \Phi)^\dagger D_\mu \Phi + \mu^2 \Phi^\dagger \Phi - \lambda (\Phi^\dagger \Phi)^2 \longrightarrow \text{gives mass to EW gauge bosons} \quad \frac{1}{2}M_Z^2 Z_\mu Z^\mu + M_W^2 W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu}$$

$$D_\mu \Phi = \left[\partial_\mu + i\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}}(\tau^+ W_\mu^+ + \tau^- W_\mu^-) + i\frac{g}{2}\tau_3 W_\mu^3 + i\frac{g'}{2}B_\mu \right] \Phi$$

: covariant derivative of the Higgs
H charged under $SU(2) \times U(1)_Y$

responsible for
electroweak
symmetry
breaking!

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}} = -Y_l \bar{L} \Phi \ell_R - Y_d \bar{Q} \Phi d_R - Y_u \bar{Q} \tilde{\Phi} u_R + \text{h.c.} \longrightarrow \text{gives mass to fermions}$$

$$SU(3) \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \longrightarrow SU(3) \times U(1)_{em}$$

8 massless gluons 3 massive gauge bosons $W^+ W^- Z_0$ 8 massless gluons 1 massless photon γ
remaining unbroken symmetry

The W and Z bosons interact with the Higgs medium, the γ doesn't.

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

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in mass eigen state basis

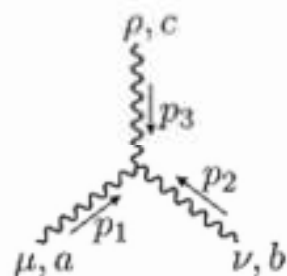
$$W_\mu^\pm = \frac{W_\mu^1 \mp i W_\mu^2}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$Z_\mu = W_\mu^3 \cos \theta_W + B_\mu \sin \theta_W$$

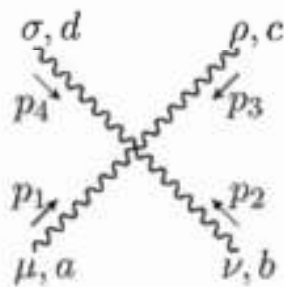
$$A_\mu = -W_\mu^3 \sin \theta_W + B_\mu \cos \theta_W$$

$$\cos \theta_W = g / \sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}$$

$$\sin \theta_W = g' / \sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}$$

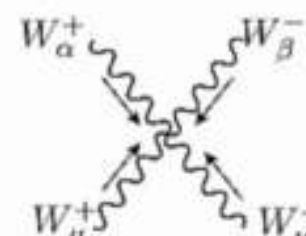
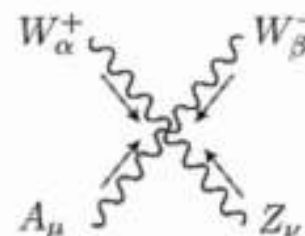
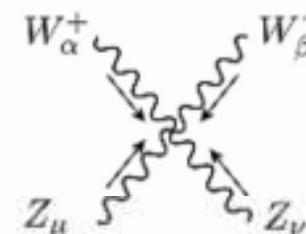
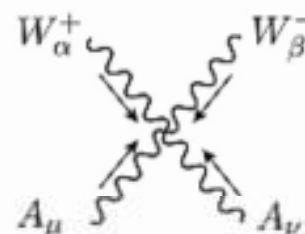
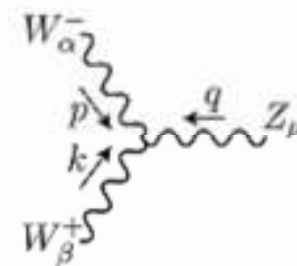
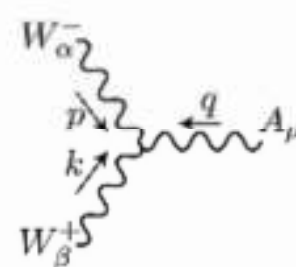


three gauge
boson vertex



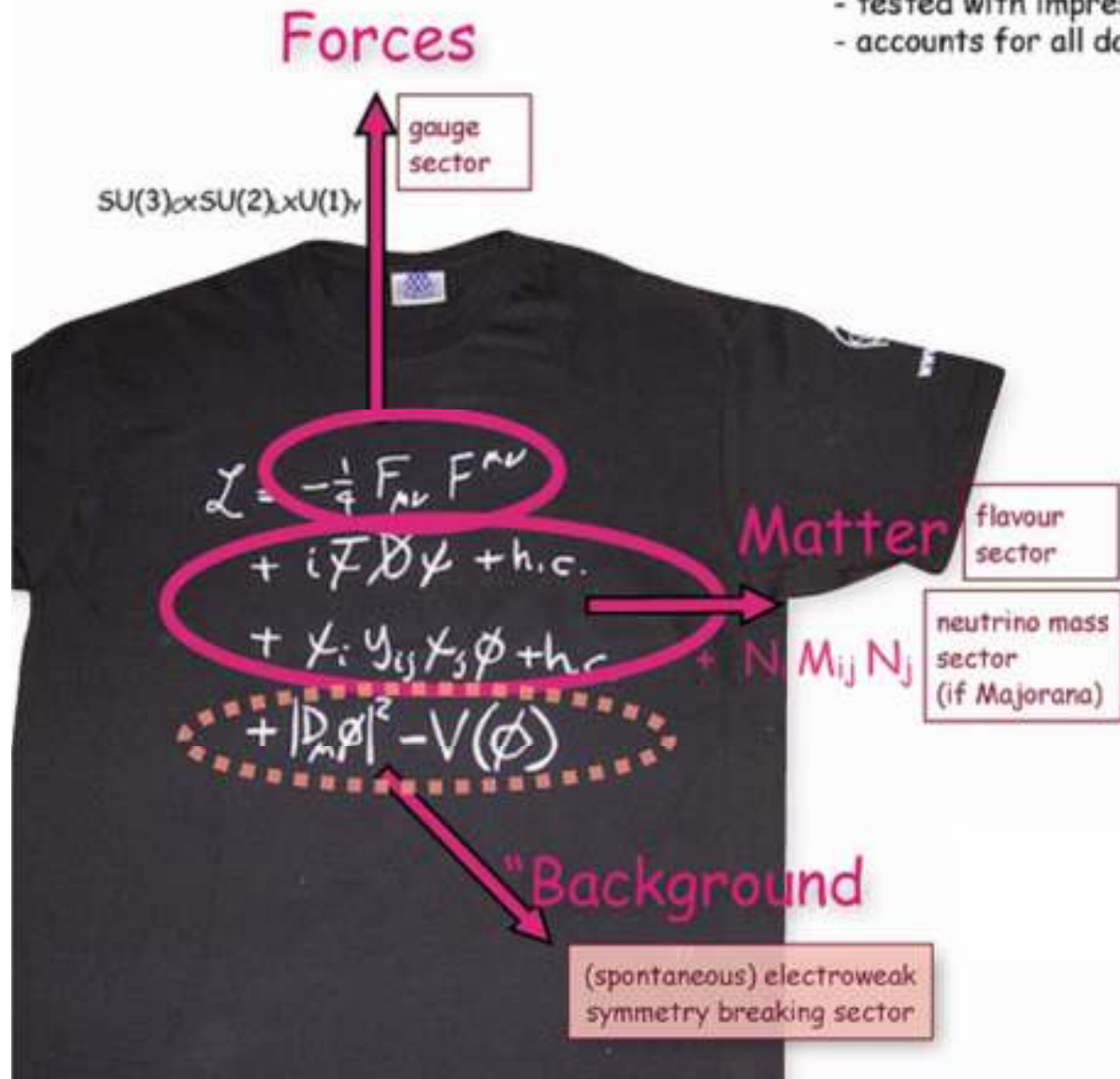
four gauge
boson vertex

no such
interactions
for photon!



The Standard Model of Particle Physics

- one century to develop it
- tested with impressive precision
- accounts for all data in experimental particle physics



Finally the Higgs has been found in 2012, which is the last missing piece in the Standard Model.

Field	$SU(3)$	$SU(2)_L$	T^3	$\frac{Y}{2}$	$Q = T^3 + \frac{Y}{2}$
g_μ^a (gluons)	8	1	0	0	0
(W_μ^\pm, W_μ^0)	1	3	$(\pm 1, 0)$	0	$(\pm 1, 0)$
B_μ^0	1	1	0	0	0
$Q_L = \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix}$	3	2	$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}$
u_R	3	1	0	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$
d_R	3	1	0	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$
$E_L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ e_L \end{pmatrix}$	1	2	$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$
e_R	1	1	0	-1	-1
$\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$	1	2	$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$
$\Phi^c = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^0 \\ \phi^- \end{pmatrix}$	1	2	$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

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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