

# Introduction to the Standard Model of particle physics

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# V. Beyond the SM

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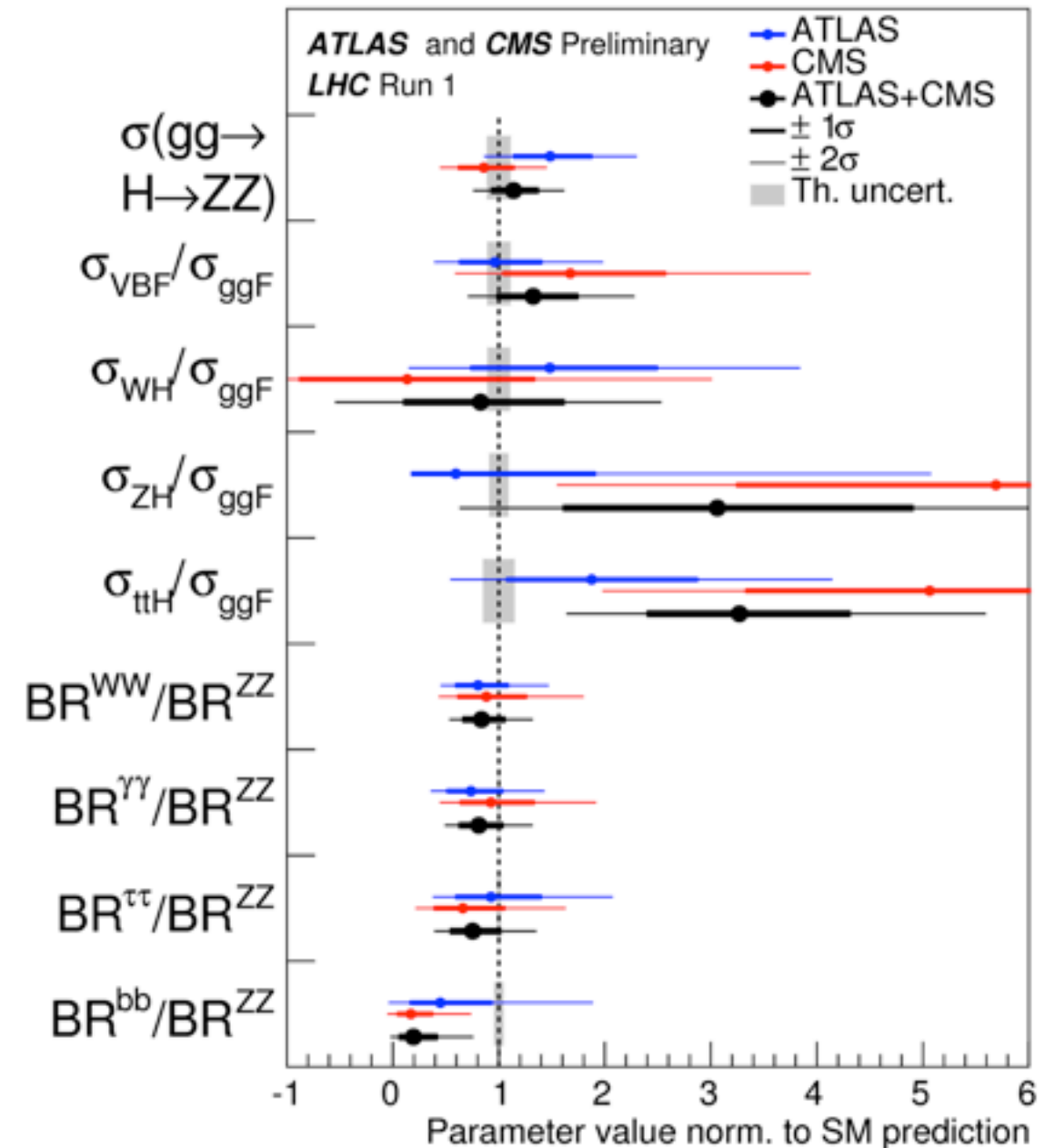
- **QFT = QM + SR**
- **Matter content: 3 generations of**
  - **Quarks** (u,d),(s,c),(b,t)
  - **Leptons** (e, $\nu_e$ ),( $\mu$ , $\nu_\mu$ ),( $\tau$ , $\nu_\tau$ )
- **local gauge symmetry**  $SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ 
  - 8 gluons,  $W^+$ ,  $W^-$ , Z, Photon
- **Renormalizability**
- **Electroweak symmetry breaking (EWSB)**
  - Higgs boson

# The Higgs boson

- The/A Higgs boson has been discovered at the LHC in 2012 [ATLAS, PLB716(2012)1; CMS, PLB716(2012)716]
- All results are coherent with the expectations of the SM:
  - Spin = 0 [PLB726(2013)120]
  - P=+1, C=+1, CP = +1 [PRD92(2015)012004]
  - Couplings to the vector bosons (Z,W, $\gamma$ ,g) and to the fermions (t,b, $\tau$ ) in agreement at  $\sim 30\%$  precision
- Still to be measured are the self-couplings of the Higgs boson

$$m_h \simeq 125 \text{ GeV}$$

[ATLAS-CONF-2015-044]



Crucial to test the mechanism of EWSB!

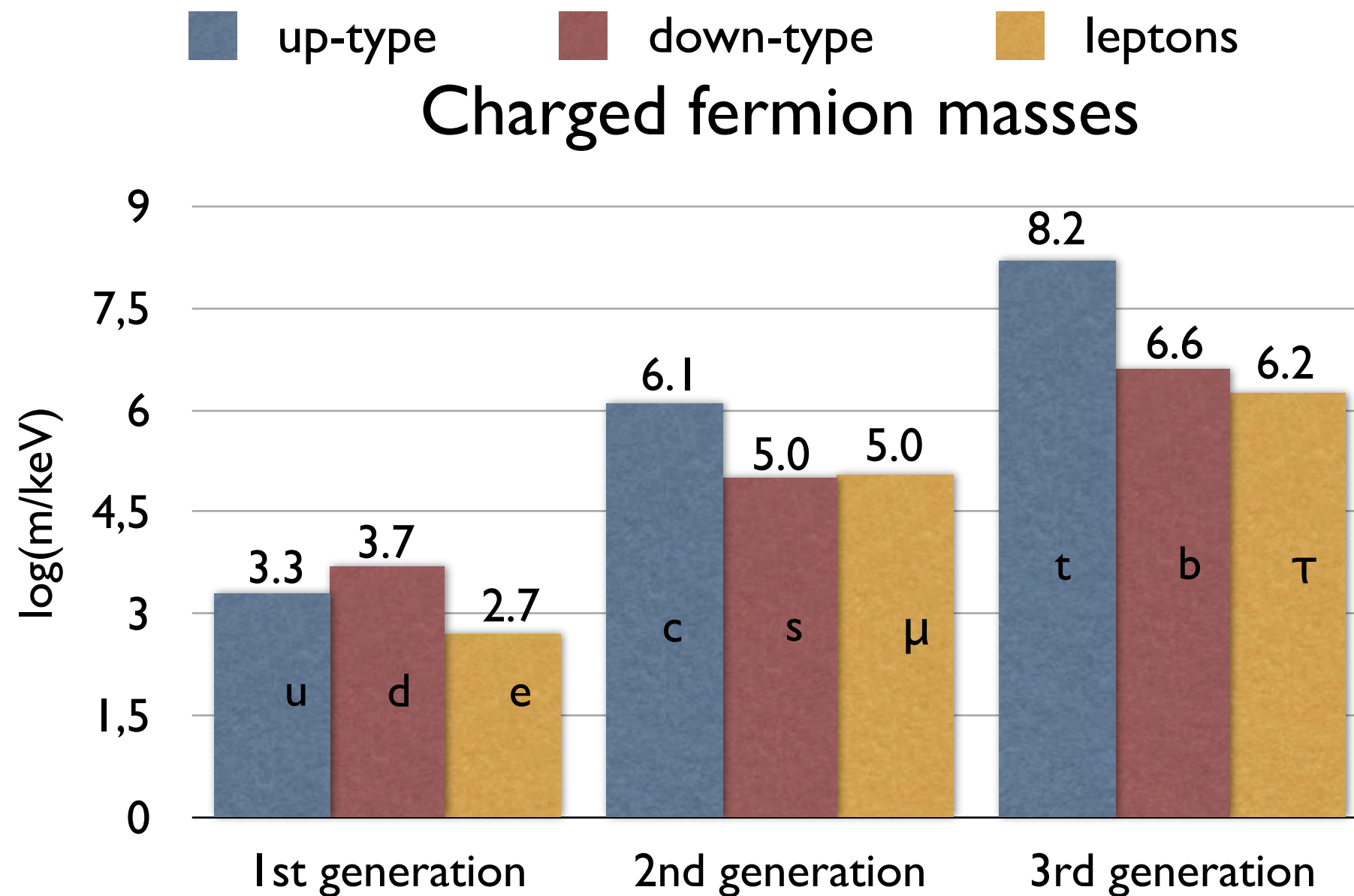
# The weird SM

# Input parameters

- The SM Lagrangian has **26 input parameters** (of course not all are equally important)
- They **need to be fixed** in order to make **predictions**
- The values and patterns of these parameters are quite **bizarre!**

# The Flavor Puzzle

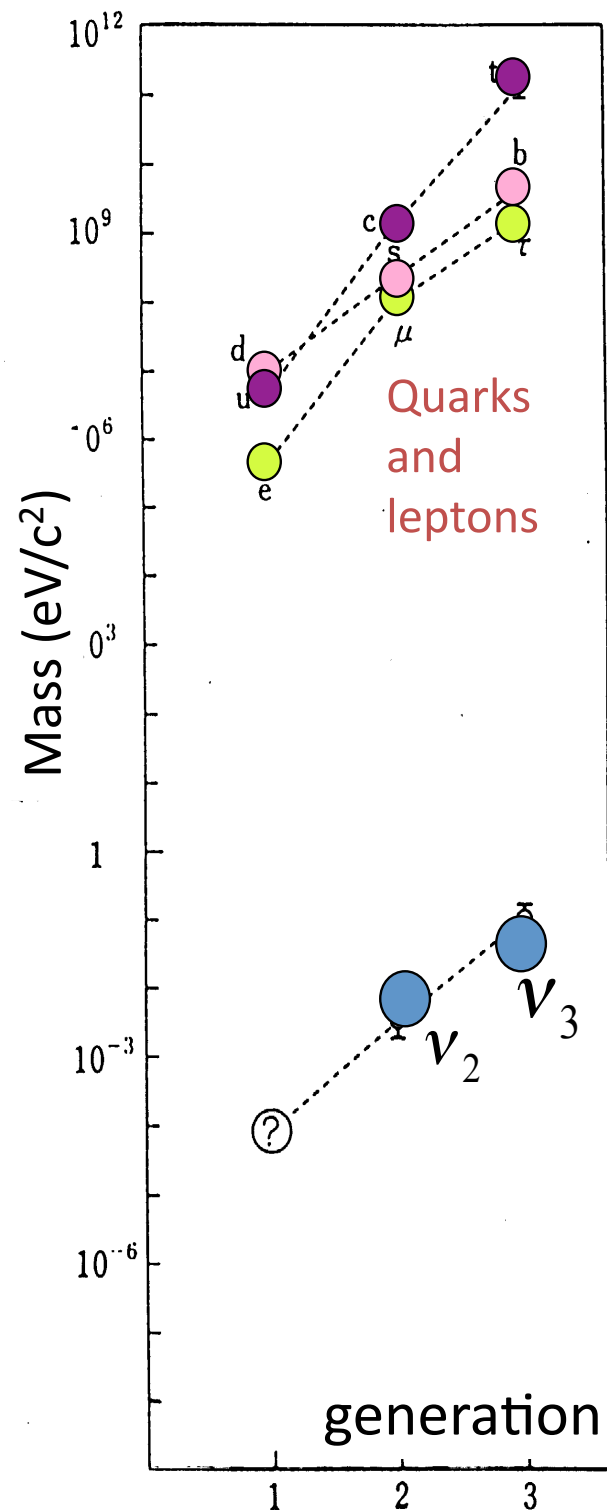
The charged fermion masses are very hierarchical, extending over 5 orders of magnitude





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Things get even worse when we include neutrino masses!  
12 ... 14 orders of magnitude!



Why the neutrino mass is so small ?

$$\left( \frac{m(\nu_3)}{m(\text{top quark})} \right) \approx \left( \frac{1}{3 \times 10^{12}} \right)$$

See-saw mechanism

Minkowsky, Yanagida, Gell-mann, Ramond, Slansky

$$m_\nu \approx \frac{m_q^2}{m_N}$$

If we input  $m_{\nu_3}$  and  $m_q$  ( $m_{\text{top}}$  is used), we get  $m_N = 10^{15}$  GeV

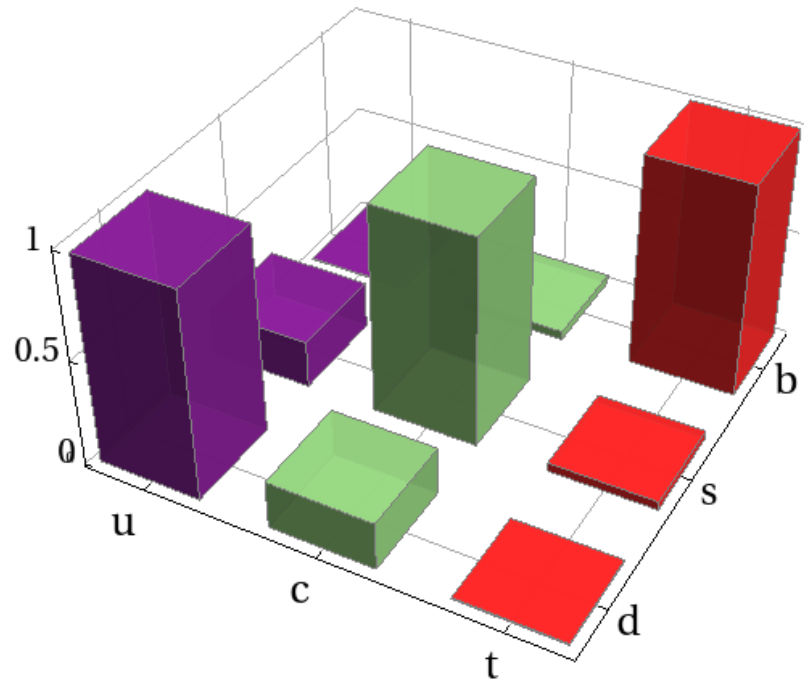
This suggests that physics of neutrino mass could be related to physics of Grand Unification!

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Quark and Lepton mixing parameters are quite different!

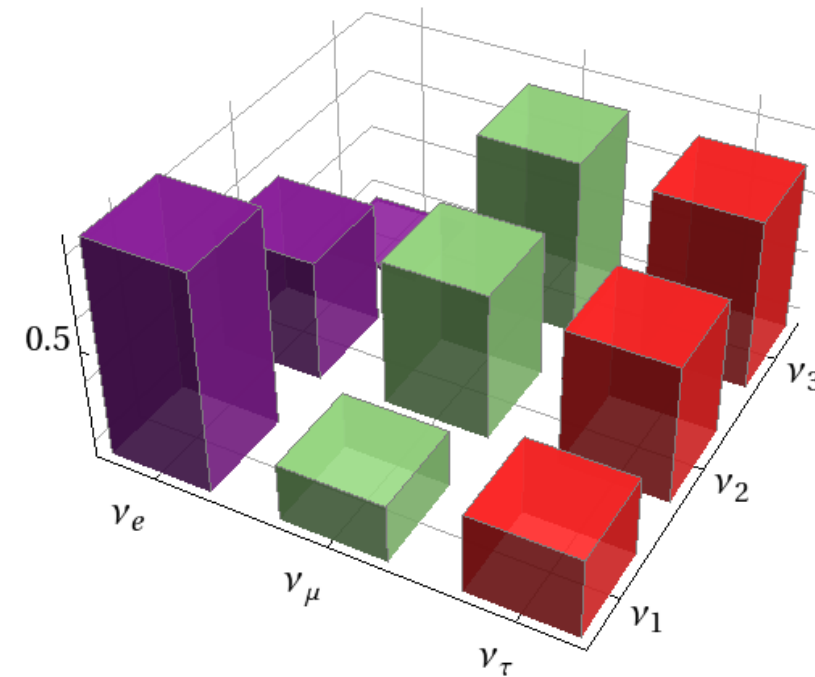
- **Quark Mixings**

$$V_{CKM} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0.976 & 0.22 & 0.004 \\ -0.22 & 0.98 & 0.04 \\ 0.007 & -0.04 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



- **Leptonic Mixings**

$$U_{PMNS} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0.85 & -0.54 & 0.16 \\ 0.33 & 0.62 & -0.72 \\ -0.40 & -0.59 & -0.70 \end{bmatrix}$$



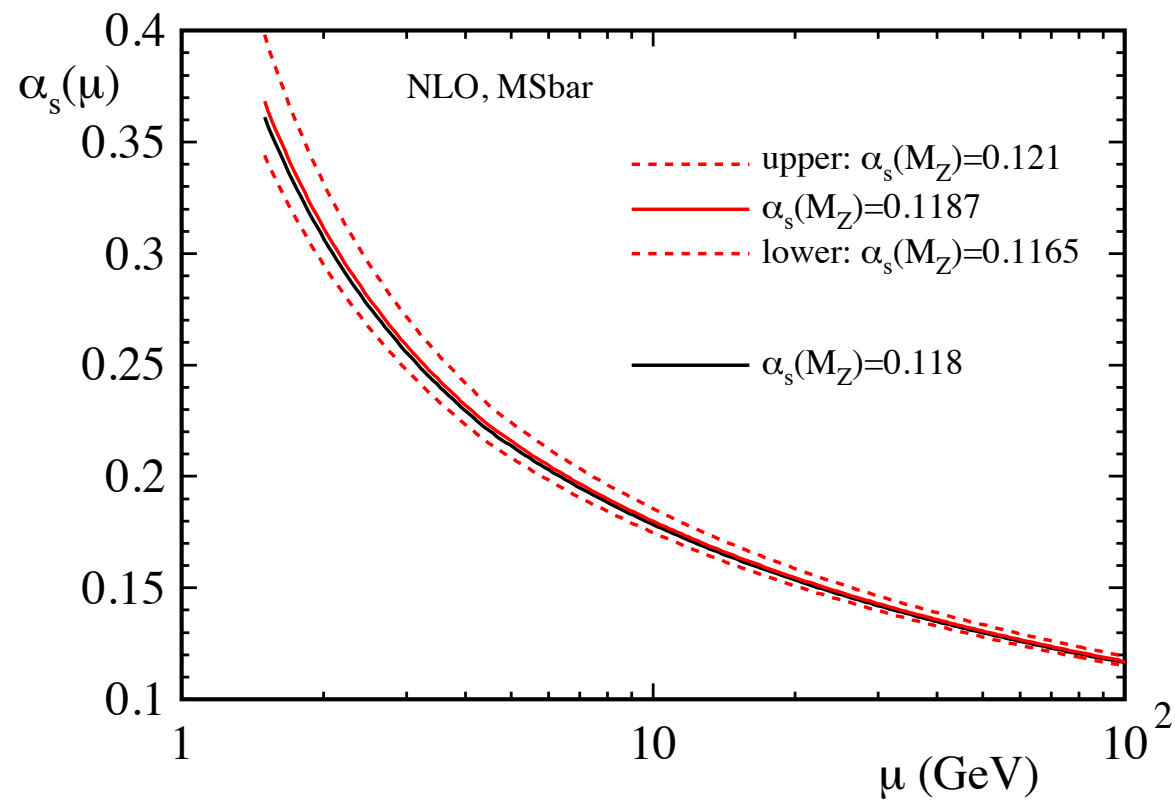
# Quantum Corrections

- Quantum corrections have to be considered (otherwise some predictions very rough!)
- **UV** divergences appear
- **Renormalization** of Lagrangian parameters and fields
- This leads to **running parameters**
- Scale-dependence governed by **renormalization group equations** (RGEs)

# Asymptotic Freedom

Renormalization of UV-divergences:  
Running coupling constant  $a_s := \alpha_s/(4\pi)$

$$a_s(\mu) = \frac{1}{\beta_0 \ln(\mu^2/\Lambda^2)}$$



- Gross, Wilczek ('73); Politzer ('73)



Non-abelian gauge theories:  
negative beta-functions

$$\frac{da_s}{d \ln \mu^2} = -\beta_0 a_s^2 + \dots$$

where  $\beta_0 = \frac{11}{3} C_A - \frac{2}{3} n_f$

$\Rightarrow$  asympt. freedom:  $a_s \searrow$  for  $\mu \nearrow$

- Nobel Prize 2004

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Europe second!

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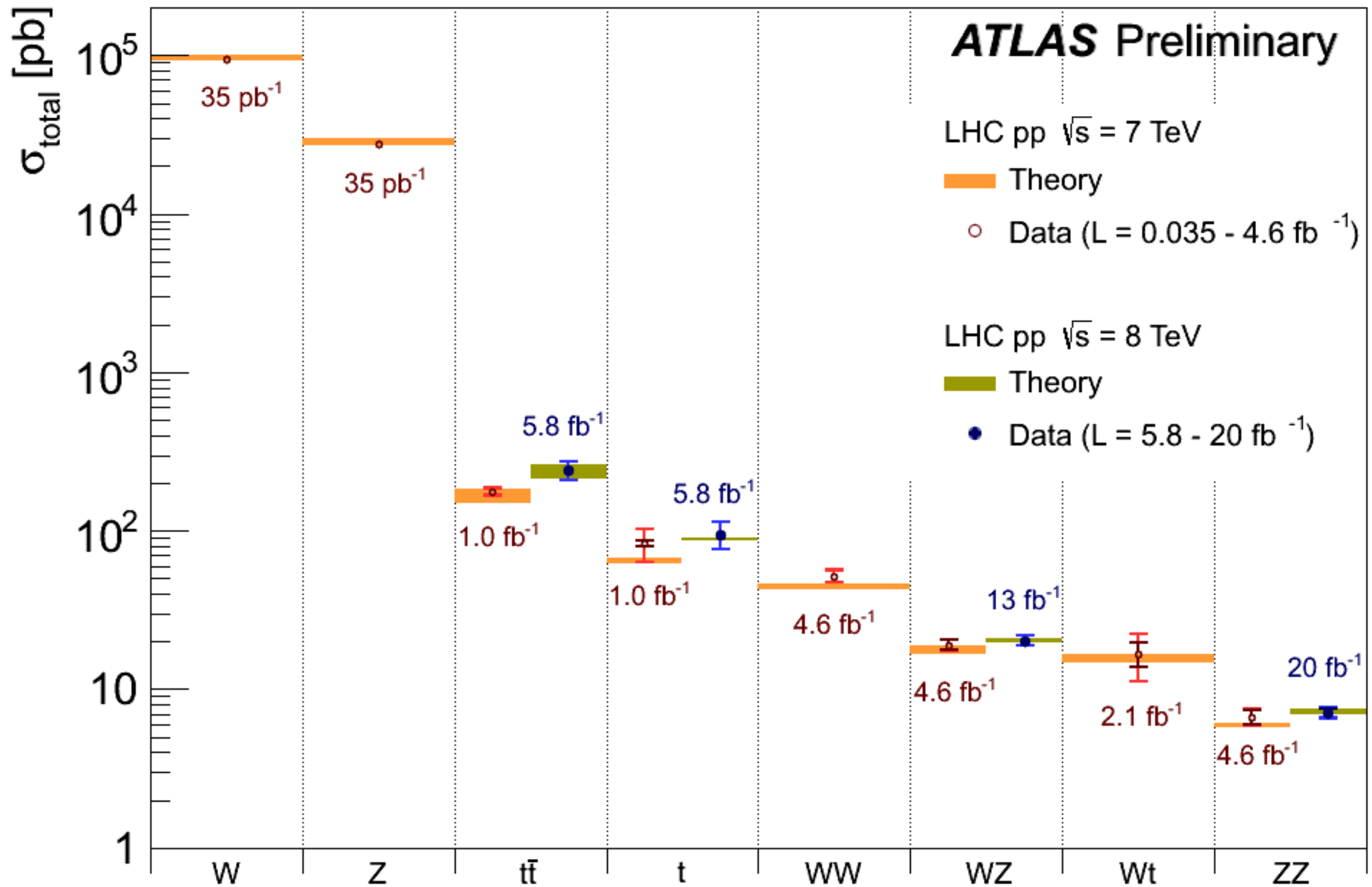
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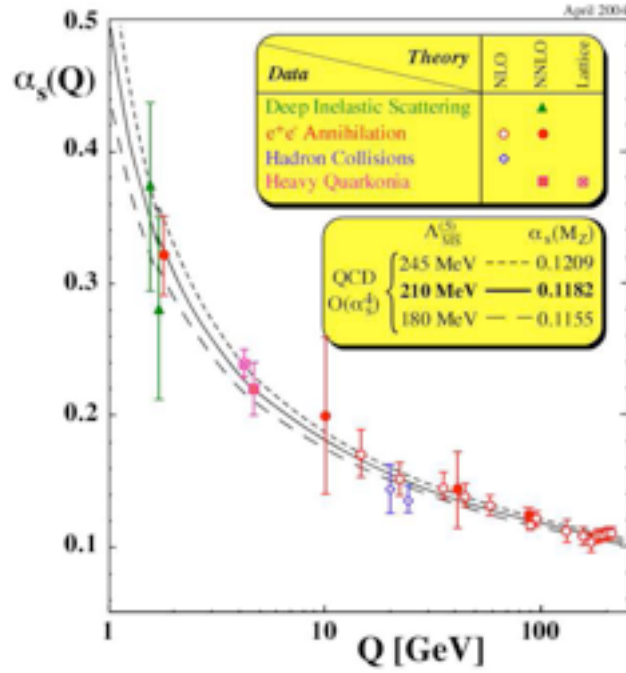
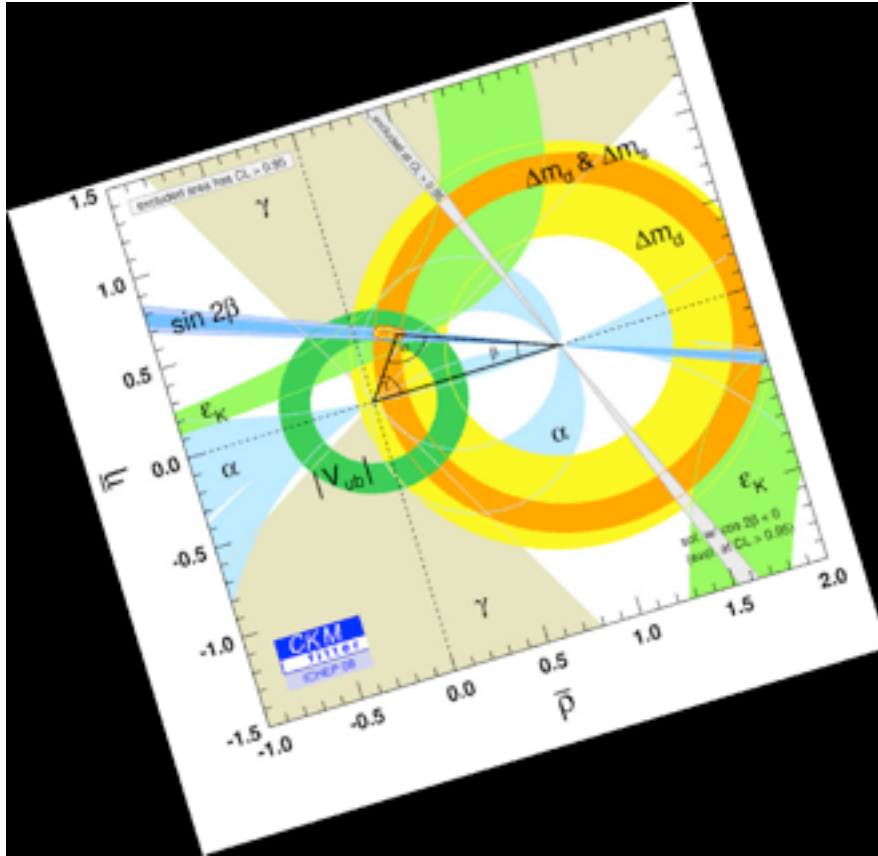
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- The SM is the **best-tested theory** in the history of science!

*A very large number of precision measurements have been compared to SM computations at the **(multi-)loop level** and **no solid evidence for BSM physics** has emerged (neither in direct searches nor indirectly due to loop effects)*

# Cross sections at the LHC in comparison to the SM



# CKM angles

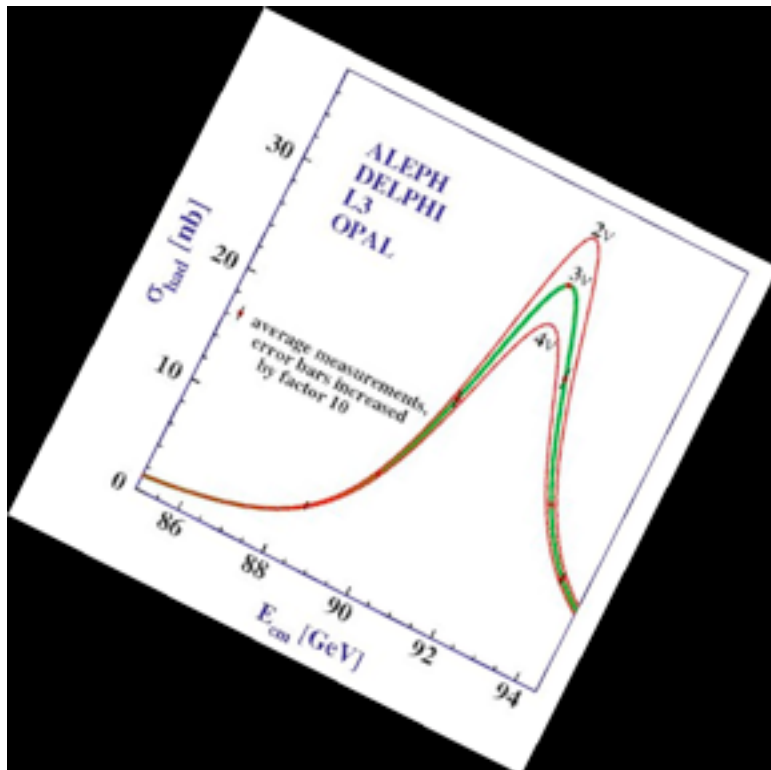


running  $\alpha_s$

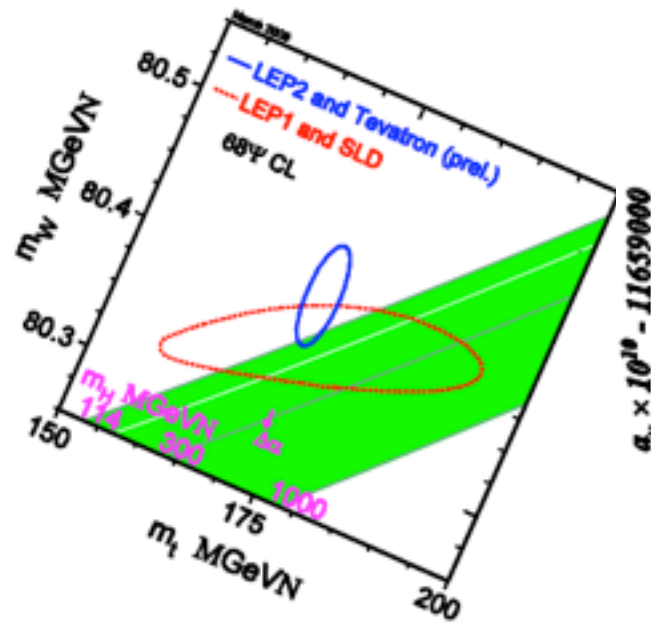
# EW parameters

	Measurement	Fit	$10 \frac{\sigma_{meas} - \sigma_{fit}}{\sigma_{meas}}$
$\Delta\alpha_{had}^{(5)}(m_Z)$	$0.02758 \pm 0.00035$	0.02767	0.3
$m_Z$ [GeV]	$91.1875 \pm 0.0021$	91.1874	0.1
$\Gamma_Z$ [GeV]	$2.4952 \pm 0.0023$	2.4959	0.3
$\sigma_{had}^0$ [nb]	$41.540 \pm 0.037$	41.478	1.5
$R_l$	$20.767 \pm 0.025$	20.742	0.2
$A_{fb}^{0,l}$	$0.01714 \pm 0.00095$	0.01643	0.4
$A_l(P_V)$	$0.1465 \pm 0.0032$	0.1480	0.1
$R_b$	$0.21629 \pm 0.00066$	0.21579	0.2
$R_c$	$0.1721 \pm 0.0030$	0.1723	0.1
$A_{fb}^{0,b}$	$0.0992 \pm 0.0016$	0.1038	2.8
$A_{fb}^{0,c}$	$0.0707 \pm 0.0035$	0.0742	0.5
$A_b$	$0.923 \pm 0.020$	0.935	0.2
$A_c$	$0.670 \pm 0.027$	0.668	0.1
$A_l(\text{SLD})$	$0.1513 \pm 0.0021$	0.1480	1.5
$\sin^2\theta_{eff}^{lept}(Q_{fb})$	$0.2324 \pm 0.0012$	0.2314	0.4
$m_W$ [GeV]	$80.410 \pm 0.032$	80.377	0.4
$\Gamma_W$ [GeV]	$2.123 \pm 0.067$	2.092	0.1
$m_t$ [GeV]	$172.7 \pm 2.9$	173.3	0.3

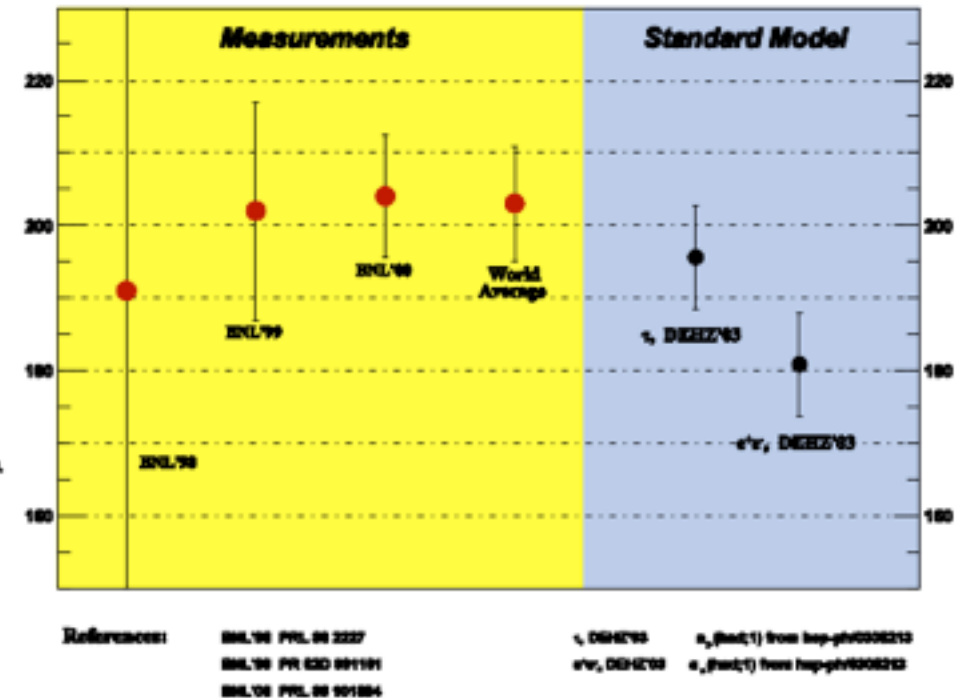
# Z<sup>0</sup> width



# top and W mass



# anom. magnetic moment (g-2)



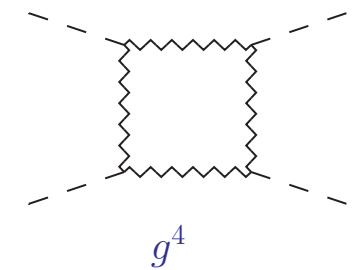
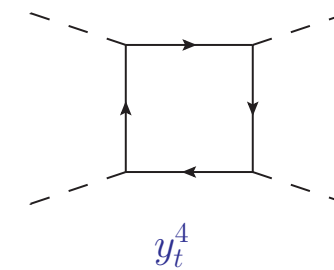
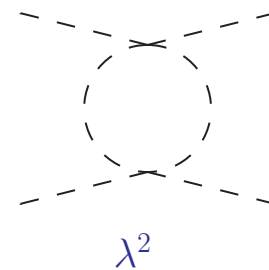
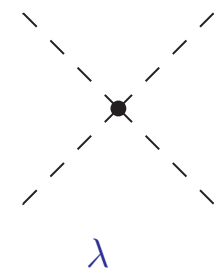


# Higgs effective potential

## self-consistency of SM: the Higgs-Top miracle

- consider self coupling of Higgs  $\lambda(t)$  (from  $\lambda/2(\varphi^\dagger\varphi)^2$ ) with  $t = \ln \Lambda^2/Q_0^2$
- coupling runs:

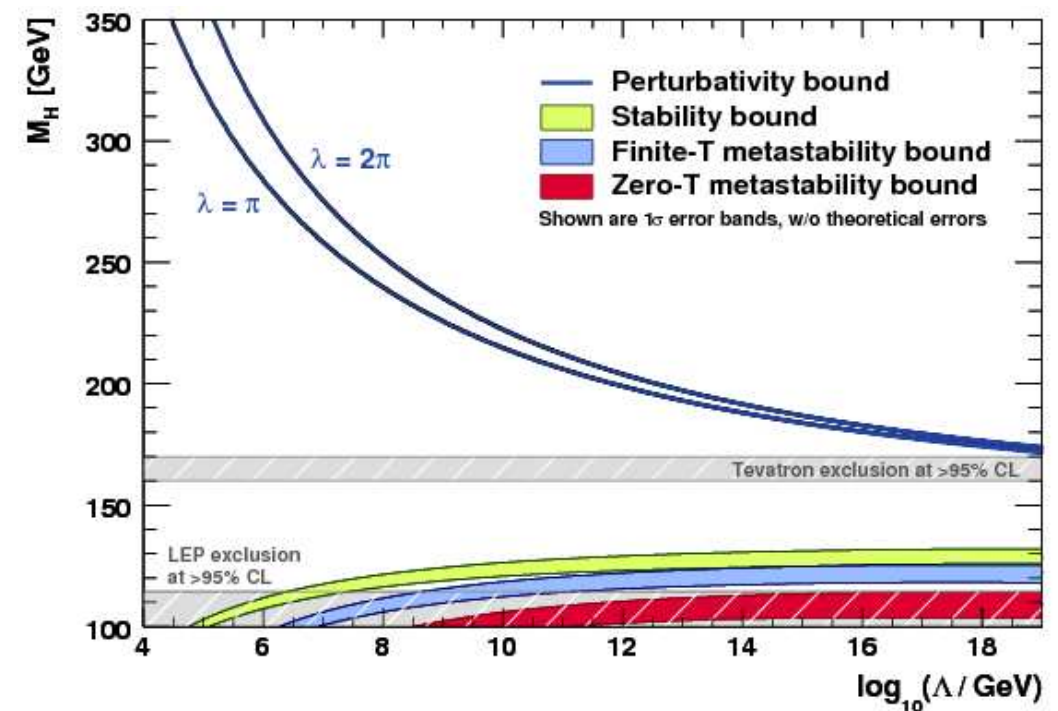
$$\frac{4\pi^2}{3} \frac{d\lambda(t)}{dt} = \lambda^2 - y_t^4 + \dots$$



- if  $\lambda$  term dominant, i.e. large Higgs mass  $\dot{\lambda} \sim \lambda^2 \rightarrow$  **triviality/perturbativity bound:**

$$\lambda(\Lambda) = \frac{\lambda(Q_0)}{1 - 3/(4\pi^2) \lambda(Q_0) t}$$

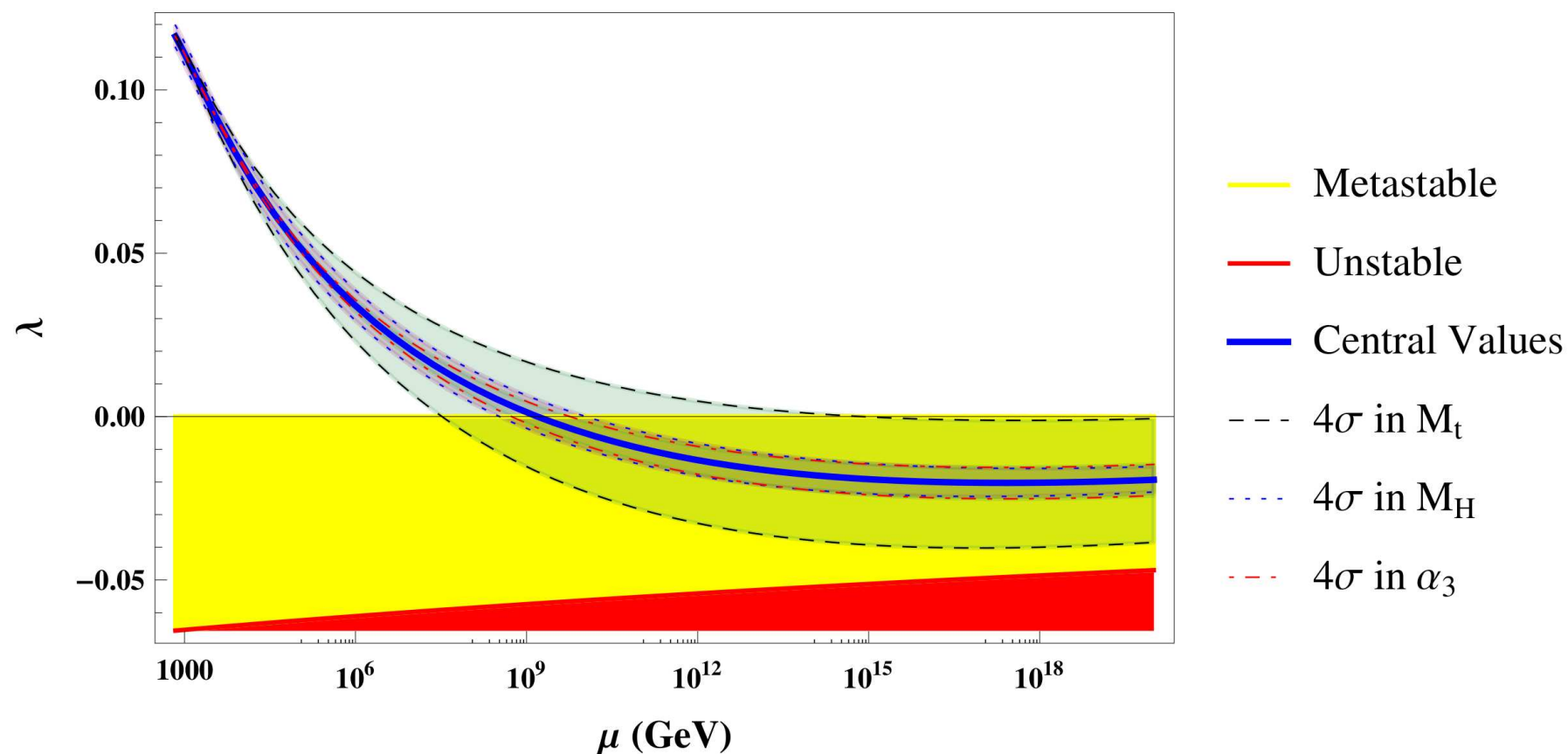
$$\Rightarrow 2\lambda(v)v^2 = M_H^2 < \frac{8\pi^2 v^2}{3 \ln(\Lambda^2/v^2)}$$



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self-consistency of SM: the Higgs-Top miracle plot: [Spencer-Smith. 1405.1975]

- if  $y_t$  term dominant i.e. large top mass  $\dot{\lambda} \sim -y_t^4$
- **vacuum stability:**  $\lambda(\Lambda) = \lambda(Q_0) - \frac{3}{4\pi^2} y_t^4 t \stackrel{!}{>} 0 \implies M_H^2 > \frac{3 v^4 y_t^4}{2\pi^2 v^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda^2}{v^2}$



- for  $M_H \sim 125$  GeV and  $M_t \sim 173$  GeV the SM seems to be consistent up to very high energies  $\Lambda_{UV} \sim 10^9 - 10^{14}$  GeV is this a **coincidence ??**



**But there are also problems...**

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- **Observational** problems Earth/Sky
- **Conceptional** problems
- **Theoretical** problems
- **Naive/Aesthetical/Religious** problems

# Observational problems

# Problems on “earth”

- Real problems with laboratory based experiments
- **Neutrino oscillations**

It is by now well-established that neutrinos oscillate which is only possible if **at least two neutrinos are massive**. Now, in the original SM, neutrinos are massless particles...

# The SM with massive neutrinos

## (i) Too many free parameters

Gauge sector: 3 couplings $g', g, g_3$	3
Quark sector: 6 masses, 3 mixing angles, 1 CP phase	10
Lepton sector: 6 masses, 3 mixing angles and 1-3 phases	10
Higgs sector: Quartic coupling $\lambda$ and vev $v$	2
$\theta$ parameter of QCD	1
	26

## (ii) Structure of gauge symmetry

$$SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \stackrel{?}{\subset} SU(5) \stackrel{?}{\subset} SO(10) \stackrel{?}{\subset} E_6 \stackrel{?}{\subset} E_8$$

Why 3 different coupling constants  $g', g, g_3$ ?

## (iii) Structure of family multiplets

$$\begin{matrix} (3,2)_{1/3} & + & (\bar{3},1)_{-4/3} & + & (1,1)_{-2} & + & (\bar{3},1)_{2/3} & + & (1,2)_{-1} & + & (1,1)_0 & \stackrel{?}{=} & 16 \\ Q & & \bar{u} & & \bar{e} & & \bar{d} & & L & & \bar{\nu} & & \end{matrix}$$

Particles	Spin	$SU(3)_c$	$SU(2)_L$	$U(1)_Y$
$Q = \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	$\frac{1}{3}$
$u_R^c$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\bar{3}$	<b>1</b>	$-\frac{4}{3}$
$d_R^c$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\bar{3}$	<b>1</b>	$\frac{2}{3}$
$L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ e_L \end{pmatrix}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	-1
$\nu_R^c$	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
$e_R^c$	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	2
$H = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$	0	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
$G_\mu^\alpha$	1	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	0
$W_\mu^a$	1	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	0
$B_\mu$	1	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	0

Fits nicely into the 16-plet of  $SO(10)$

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- Potentially problems in the flavour sector (see talk on flavour physics)

# Problems in the “sky”

- The SM does not provide a candidate for **Dark Matter** (if DM is made of particles)
- **Dark Energy** is unexplained
- The amount of **CP**-violation in the SM is not sufficient to explain the **matter-antimatter asymmetry** in the universe/ baryon asymmetry of the universe (BAU)

# Conceptual problems



# Internal consistency

- Without the Higgs boson (or something equivalent) the SM would be **internally inconsistent** at the LHC scale!
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No internal inconsistencies so far!

# Conceptual 'problems'

- The SM is 'only' an **effective theory**, it doesn't explain everything...
- effective theory means: the SM is valid up to a scale  $\Lambda_{UV}$
- **Gravity** not included, therefore  $\Lambda_{UV} < M_{Pl} \sim 10^{19} \text{ GeV}$  because at the Planck scale gravity effects have to be included
- Error of predictions at **energy scale E**:  $O[(E/\Lambda_{UV})^n]$  where  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$  depending on the truncation of the effective theory
- **Renormalisability** is not considered a fundamental principle anymore, non-renormalisable operators of dimension 5, 6, ... can be included to reduce the theory error
- Systematic approach but involved due to a large number of possible operators (global analysis required)

# Higher dimensional ops:

## the Standard Model

input: Poincare symmetry

gauge symmetry, group  $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$ :  $G^{\mu\nu}, W^{\mu\nu}, B^{\mu\nu}$

3 families of matter fields (in fundamental or trivial representation):

$$\ell_L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ e_L \end{pmatrix}, q_L = \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix}, e_R, u_R, d_R$$

one scalar doublet  $\varphi$

output: most general, Lorentz and gauge invariant Lagrangian

we have 1 operator of dim 2, a few ( $\sim 15$ ) of dim 4, 1 of dim 5,  
quite a few ( $\sim 60$ ) of dim 6 and many of dim 8 and higher

renormalizability requires (mass) dimension of operators  $\text{Dim} \leq 4$

Note: we must have  $[\mathcal{L}] = 4$  since  $[\int d^4x \mathcal{L}] = 0$

Thus for a dim 6 operator  $O^{(6)}$  we have  $\mathcal{L} \ni \frac{c^{(6)}}{\Lambda_{UV}^2} O^{(6)}$  with  $\Lambda_{UV}$  a scale (of BSM physics)

# What is $\Lambda_{UV}$ ?

- Despite the phenomenal success of the SM, it is not the theory of everything (if this exists at all)
- The SM is ‘only’ an effective theory valid up to a scale  $\Lambda_{UV}$
- What is  $\Lambda_{UV}$ ?
  - gravity not part of SM:  $\Lambda_{UV} < M_{Pl} \sim 10^{19}$  GeV
  - dark energy not part of SM:  $\Lambda_{UV} = ??$
  - dark matter, matter-antimatter asymmetry:  $\Lambda_{UV} = ??$
  - strong CP problem:  $\Lambda_{UV} \sim 10^{10}$  GeV
  - neutrino masses (seesaw):  $\Lambda_{UV} \sim 10^{10} \dots 10^{15}$  GeV
  - hierarchy problem:  $\Lambda_{UV} \sim \Lambda_{EW}$  (new physics at LHC)

# Theoretical problems

# Theorist's prejudice

- Everything that is not forbidden is allowed (realized in nature)!
- Not forbidden (by symmetries) but not observed = problem!
- The only 'allowed' numbers are 0, 1, infinity (this is nonsense, of course!)
  - 0: forbidden because of symmetry
  - 1: natural number
  - infinity: to be redefined
  - small but non-zero couplings = problem ('unnatural')
  - large finite couplings ( $\gg 1$ ) = non-perturbative

# Naturalness problems I

- **Hierarchy problem:** Why  $M_{ew} \ll \Lambda_{UV}$  ?
- **Naturalness problem:** Why  $M_h \ll \Lambda_{UV}$  ?

A **fundamental** scalar is problematic!

Its mass is not protected from large radiative corrections by any symmetry.



# Possible solutions to the naturalness problem

- TeV-scale Supersymmetry  
(a symmetry protecting the scalar)
- TeV-scale Compositeness  
(the scalar is not fundamental)
- Large extra-dimensions at the TeV-scale  
(would also solve the hierarchy problem)

**All these solutions require new physics at the LHC!**

# What if no new physics is found at the LHC?

- Would be a **MAJOR** (theoretical) problem!
- Fine-tuning, anthropic principle, multiverse?
- **NEW** classes of solutions?: Relaxion solutions, [arXiv:1504.07551](#)
- Non-LHC experiments:  
(nEDM, proton decay, lepton flavor violation, neutrinoless double-beta decay, ...)
- New crazy ideas?

# Naturalness problems II

- All operators allowed by all symmetries should appear in the Lagrangian; if absent at tree level, these operators are generated at the loop level in any case
- Theorists prejudice: **naturally**, the coefficients of the operators are of  $O(1)$  unless there is
  - a (broken) symmetry
  - the operator is loop-suppressed
- **Strong CP problem:**

There is an allowed term in the QCD Lagrangian (renormalisable, gauge invariant) which violates P, T, CP

Its coefficient is extremely suppressed (or zero). There is only an upper limit... WHY?

# Naturalness problems III

- The spectrum of fermion masses is not natural

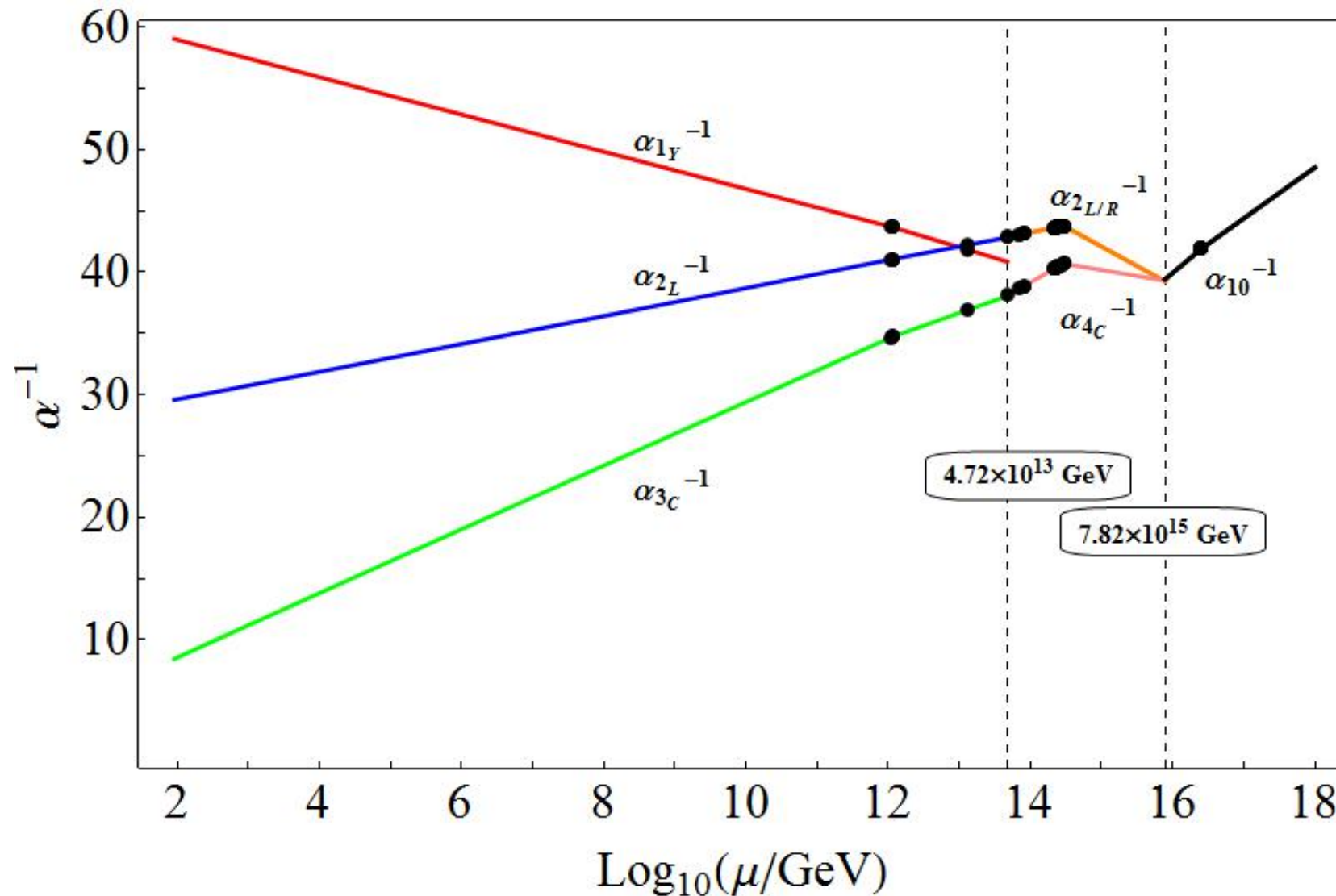
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- Gauge symmetry  $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$ 
  - not a simple group
  - left-right asymmetric (maximal parity violation)
- Matter content in different representations
  - left vs right, quarks vs leptons
- Why three generations? (Why three space dimensions?)  
(“Who ordered that?” I. I. Rabi after muon discovery)
- Wouldn't it be a revelation to have complete **unification**?
  - one simple gauge group = one interaction
  - one representation for all matter = one matter type/one primary substance

# Attractive features of GUTs

K. S. Babu, S. Khan, I507.06712



- Gauge coupling unification
- Explanation for quantization of electric charges

# (Some) GUT group candidates

- $G_{SM} = SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$ 
  - $\text{rank}[G_{SM}] = \text{rank}[SU(3)] + \text{rank}[SU(2)] + \text{rank}[U(1)] = 2 + 1 + 1 = 4$
  - $G_{SM} < G$ , where  $G$  is the gauge group of the GUT theory
  - $\text{rank}[G_{SM}] \leq \text{rank}[G]$
- Rank 4:
  - $SU(5)$  unique rank 4 candidate:  $\bar{5} + 10$
  - no  $\nu_R$ , no B-L symmetry
- Rank 5:
  - $SO(10)$ : 16-plet
  - Pati-Salam group  $G(442) = SU(4)_c \times SU(2)_L \times SU(2)$
- Rank 6:
  - $E_6$
  - Trinification  $[SU(3)]^3$



# Breaking patterns and branching rules

- **Breaking patterns:**

- $SU(5) \rightarrow G_{SM} \rightarrow SU(3)_c \times U(1)_{em}$

- $SO(10) \rightarrow SU(5) \rightarrow G_{SM} \rightarrow SU(3)_c \times U(1)_{em}$

- $SO(10) \rightarrow G(442) \rightarrow G_{SM} \rightarrow SU(3)_c \times U(1)_{em}$

- $E_6 \rightarrow SO(10) \rightarrow \dots$

- There are two aspects:

- a) What are the subgroups of  $G$  with equal or lower rank?

- b) Which Higgs fields are needed for the symmetry breaking?

- **Branching rules:**

How does a multiplet of  $G$  split up into multiplets of  $G_{SM}$  after symmetry breaking?

- Example  $SU(5) \rightarrow G_{SM} : 5 \rightarrow (3, 1)_{2/5} + (1, 2)_{-3/5}$