



# Confronting Theory with Experiment at the LHC

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# Introduction

- Standard Model: a theory of interactions

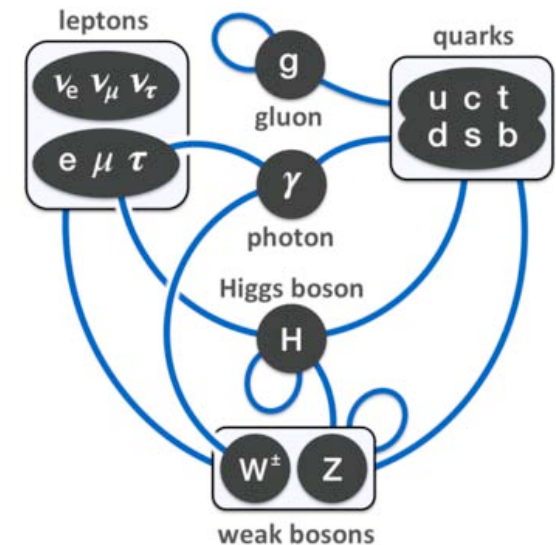
- Gauge symmetry  $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$  based on quantum field theory
- Properties of fermions are inputs
- Properties of interaction bosons in terms of couplings, propagations, masses are linked

- Measuring a few parameters allows us to predict the rest, then measure and compare with expectation

- It's remarkably successful:

*-Predictions verified to be correct at sometimes incredible levels of precision*

*-After ~30 years, still no serious cracks!*



# EW symmetry (SU(2)xU(1)) breaking & mass generation

$F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}$ -term contains self couplings between gauge bosons.

$\therefore WW \rightarrow WW$  possible;  
cross section:

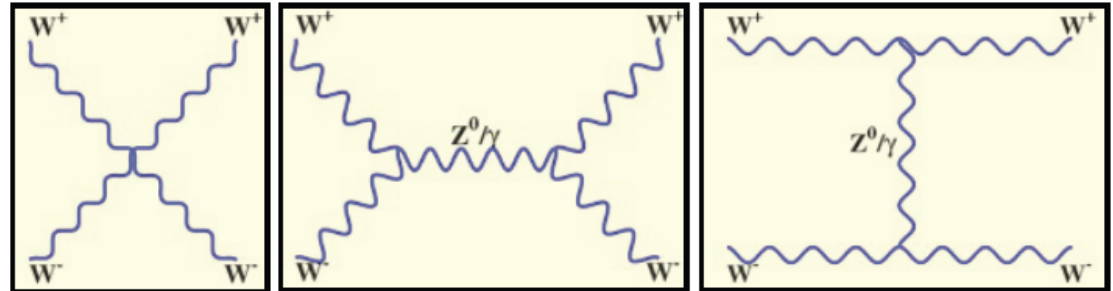
$$\sigma_{WW_L L} \sim E_{\text{cm}}^2$$

$W_L W_L$  scattering probability becomes larger than unity for  $E_{\text{cm}} > 1.2 \text{ TeV} \dots$

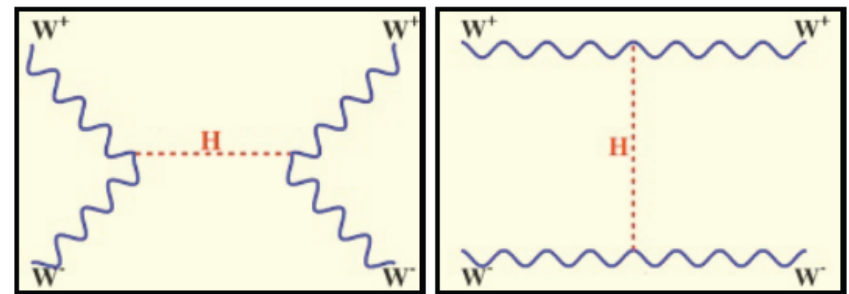
Violation of unitarity if force remains weak at this scale ...

To restore unitarity it needs some scalar boson “H” with

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} g_{HWW} \sim M_W \\ g_{Hff} \sim m_f \\ M_H < 1 \text{ TeV} \end{array} \right\} \sigma \rightarrow \text{const for large energies}$$



massive gauge bosons: 2 transverse d.o.f. + 1 longitudinal d.o.f.  
massless gauge bosons: 2 transverse d.o.f.



# EW symmetry breaking ( $SU(2) \times U(1)$ ) & mass generation

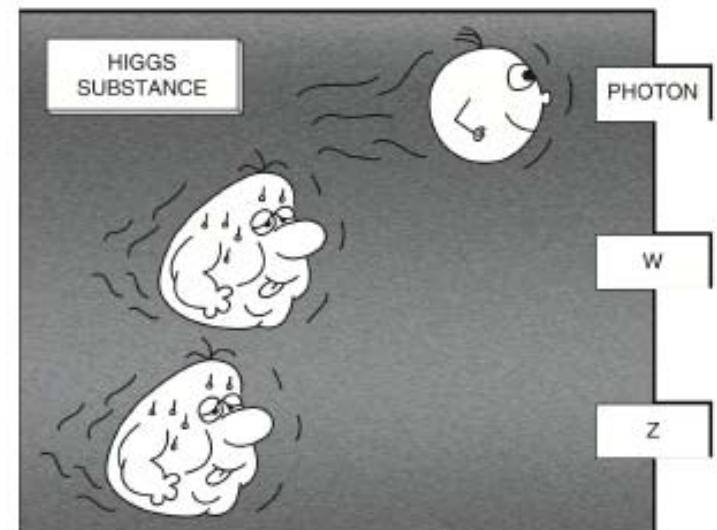
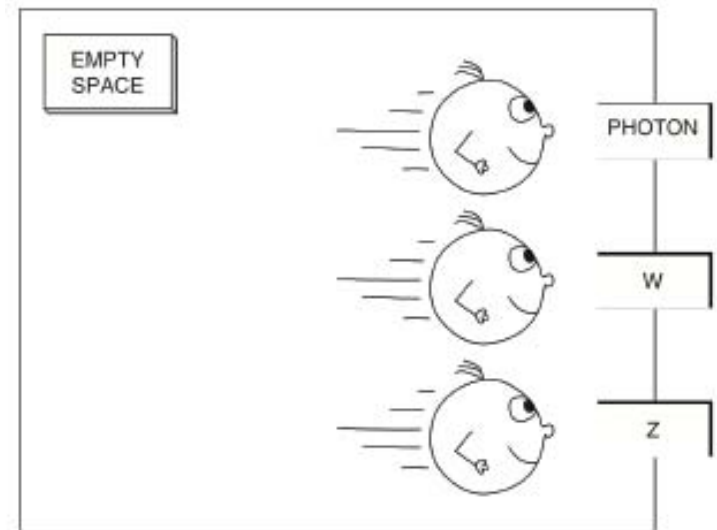
Higgs field fills space with uniform distribution of EW charge

Longitudinal polarization isn't present for on-shell massless particles.

Waves with new degree of freedom i.e. longitudinal components are generated!!

Tool:

- to find the Higgs → By Dr. A. Mohammadi
- to measure the polarization of the W,Z-bosons
- Test all aspects of the SM
- Search for BSM if any!



# The Large Hadron Collider (LHC) at CERN

- Proton-proton collider in the former LEP tunnel at CERN (Geneva)

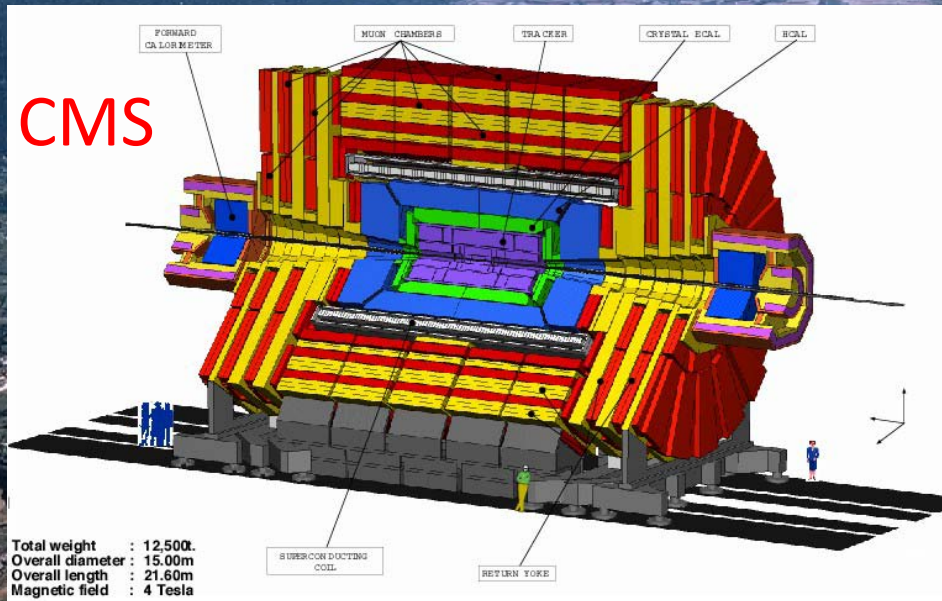


- Highest ever energy per collision  
7,8,13,14,33 TeV in the pp-system
- Conditions as  $10^{-13} - 10^{-14}$  s after the Big Bang
- 4 experiments:  
ATLAS  
CMS  
LHC-B specialised on b-physics  
ALICE specialised for heavy ion collisions

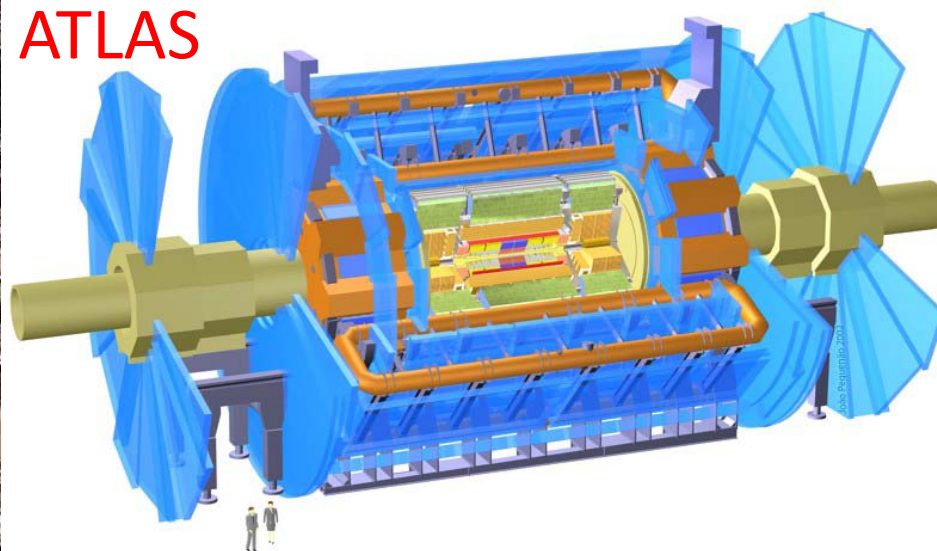




# The Large Hadron Collider LHC



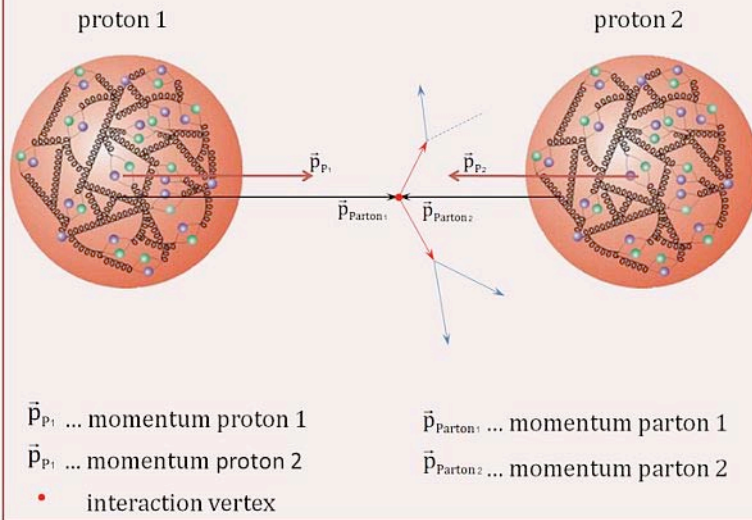
**ATLAS**



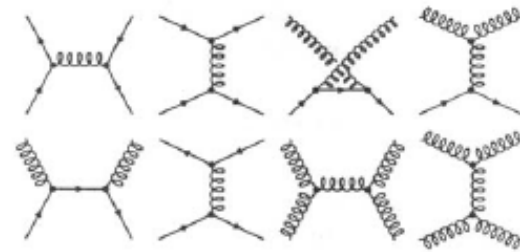


# Physics at Proton Colliders

Interactions of constituents of the colliding protons, the so called partons (quarks, gluons)



- Protons are composite, complex objects
  - partonic substructure
  - quarks and gluons
- Interesting hard scattering processes
  - quark-(anti)quark
  - quark-gluon
  - gluon-gluon



- Proton beam can be seen as beam of quarks and gluons with a wide band of energies
- The proton constituents (partons) carry only a fraction  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  of the proton momentum

# Cross Section of Various SM Processes

⇒ Low luminosity phase

$$10^{33}/\text{cm}^2/\text{s} = 1/\text{nb}/\text{s}$$

approximately

- $10^8$  pp interactions
- $10^6$  bb events
- 200 W-bosons
- 50 Z-bosons
- 1 tt-pair

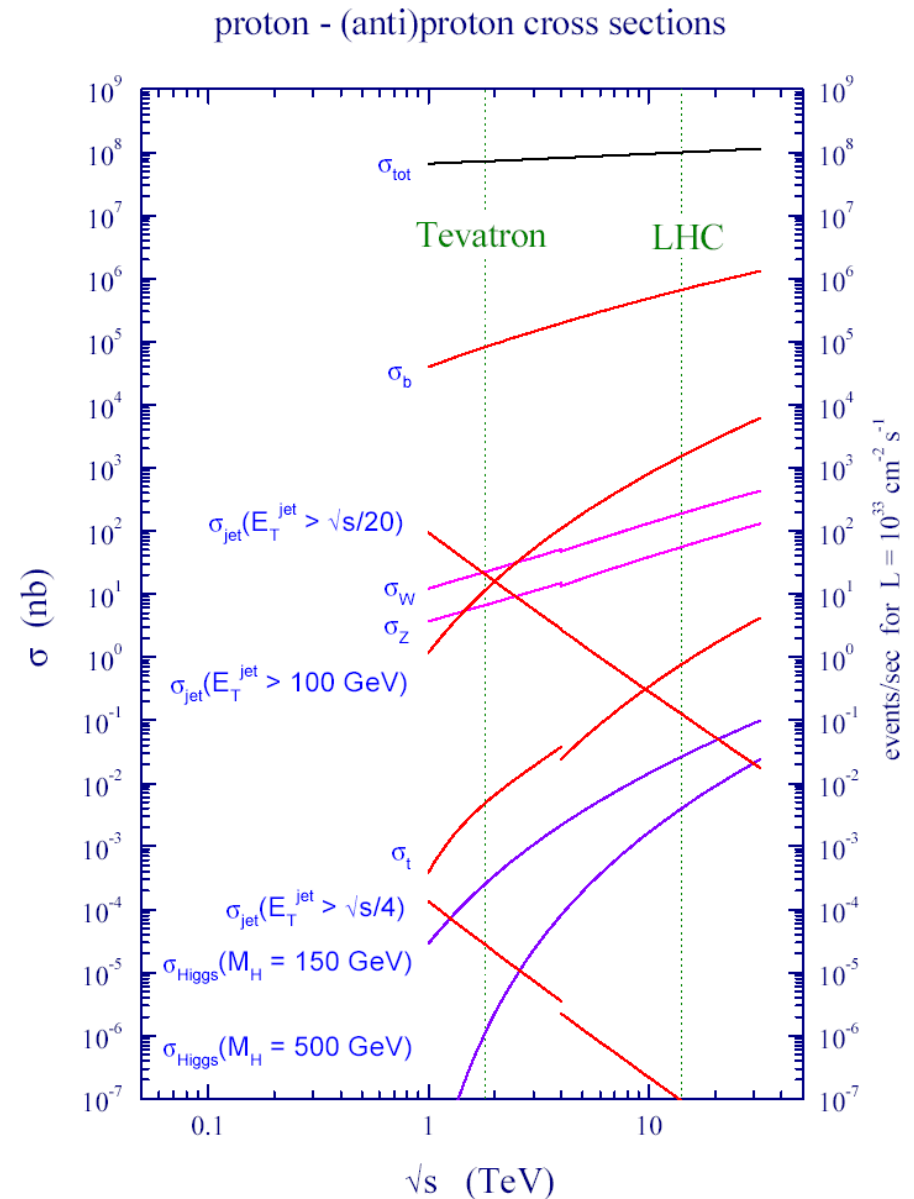
will be produced per second and

- 1 light Higgs

per minute!

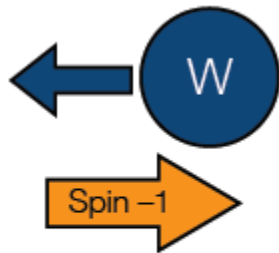
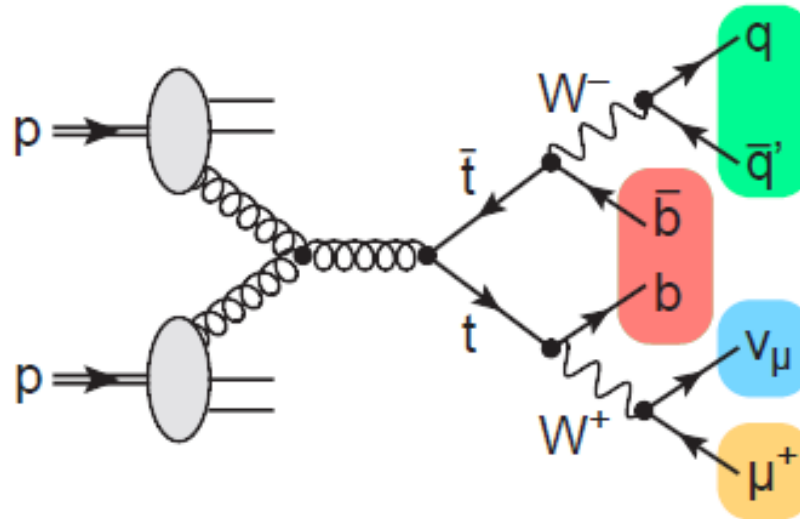
The LHC is a b, W, Z, top, Higgs, ... factory!

The problem is to detect the events!

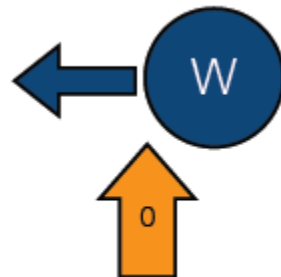




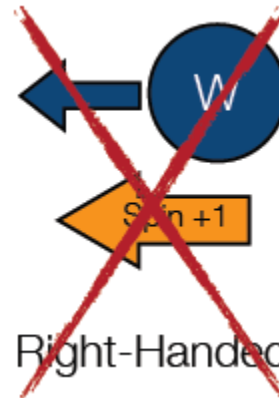
# W-polarization measurement



Left-Handed



Longitudinal



Right-Handed

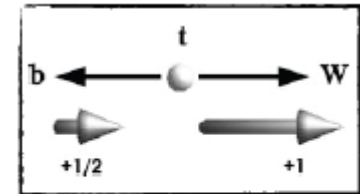
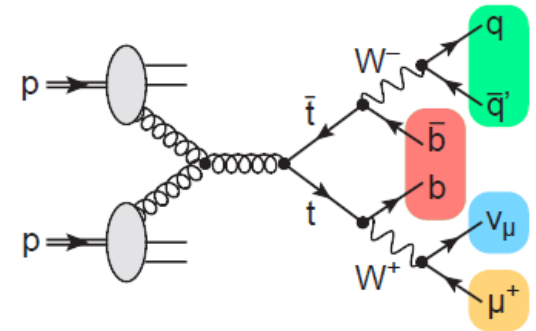


Illustration that the top mass cannot decay into a right-handed W-boson

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^W = -g/\sqrt{2} \mathbf{W}_\mu^+ \bar{b}_L \gamma^\mu t_L$$

# W-polarization measurement

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta^*} \sim \underbrace{\frac{3}{8}(1 - \cos\theta^*)^2 F_{\text{LH}}}_{\text{left-handed}} + \underbrace{\frac{3}{4}(1 - \cos^2\theta^*) F_{\text{long}}}_{\text{longitudinal}} + \underbrace{\frac{3}{8}(1 + \cos\theta^*)^2 F_{\text{RH}}}_{\text{right-handed}}$$



SM prediction for helicity fractions [LO,  $m_b = 0$ ]:

$$F_{\text{LH}} = \frac{2m_W^2}{m_t^2 + 2m_W^2} \approx 0.3 \quad F_{\text{long}} = \frac{m_t^2}{m_t^2 + 2m_W^2} \approx 0.7 \quad F_{\text{RH}} \approx 0$$

Physical picture:

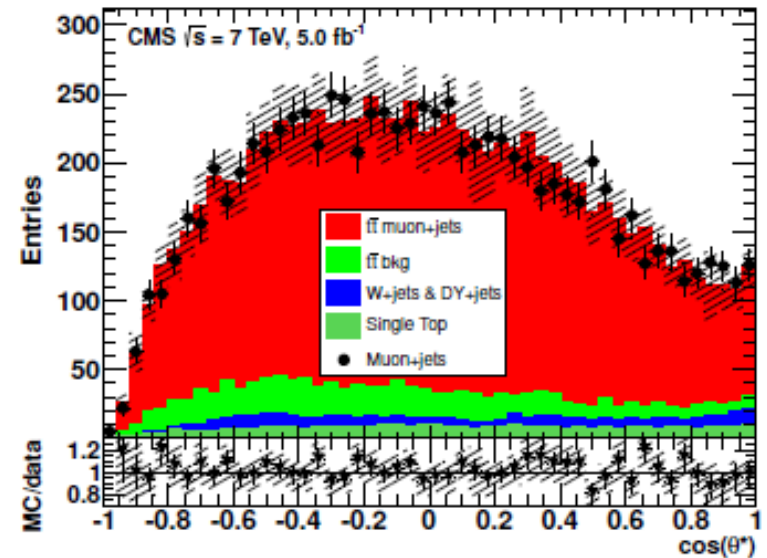
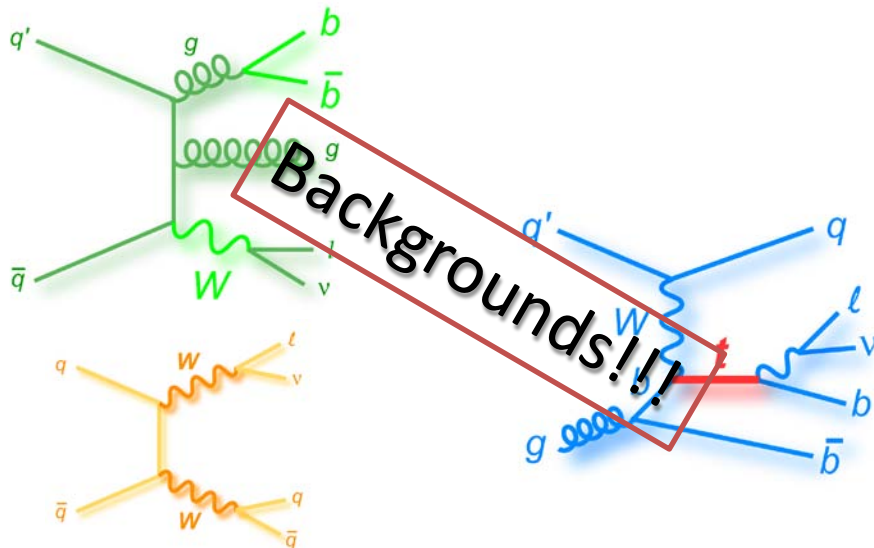
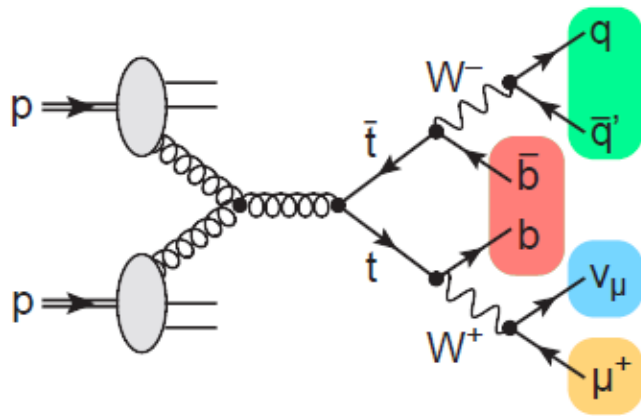
Top quark: large mass  $\rightarrow$  large Higgs (Yukawa) coupling

Longitudinal d.o.f. of W bosons generated by Higgs mechanism

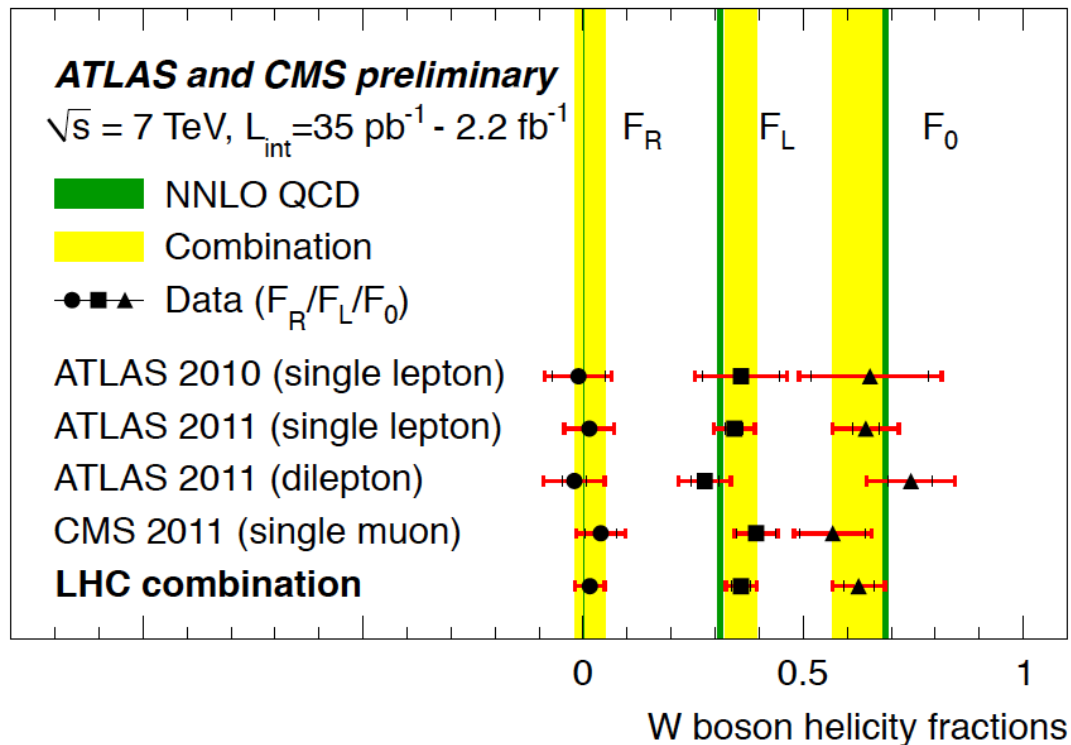
Thus: **top quark prefers to couple to longitudinal W** ...

[see later]

# W-polarization measurement



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$$F_L = 0.288 \pm 0.035(\text{stat}) \pm 0.040(\text{syst})$$

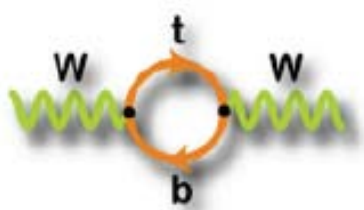
$$F_0 = 0.698 \pm 0.057(\text{stat}) \pm 0.063(\text{syst})$$



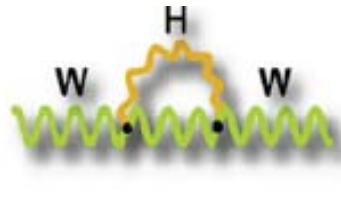
# W-boson mass: TH vs. EXP importance of quantum corrections

SM is a quantum theory. The vacuum is a busy place!

Particle-antiparticle pairs can be produced out of nothing, borrowing an energy  $E$  for a time  $t$ :  $E t \approx \hbar$



$$\Delta r_t \sim m_t^2$$



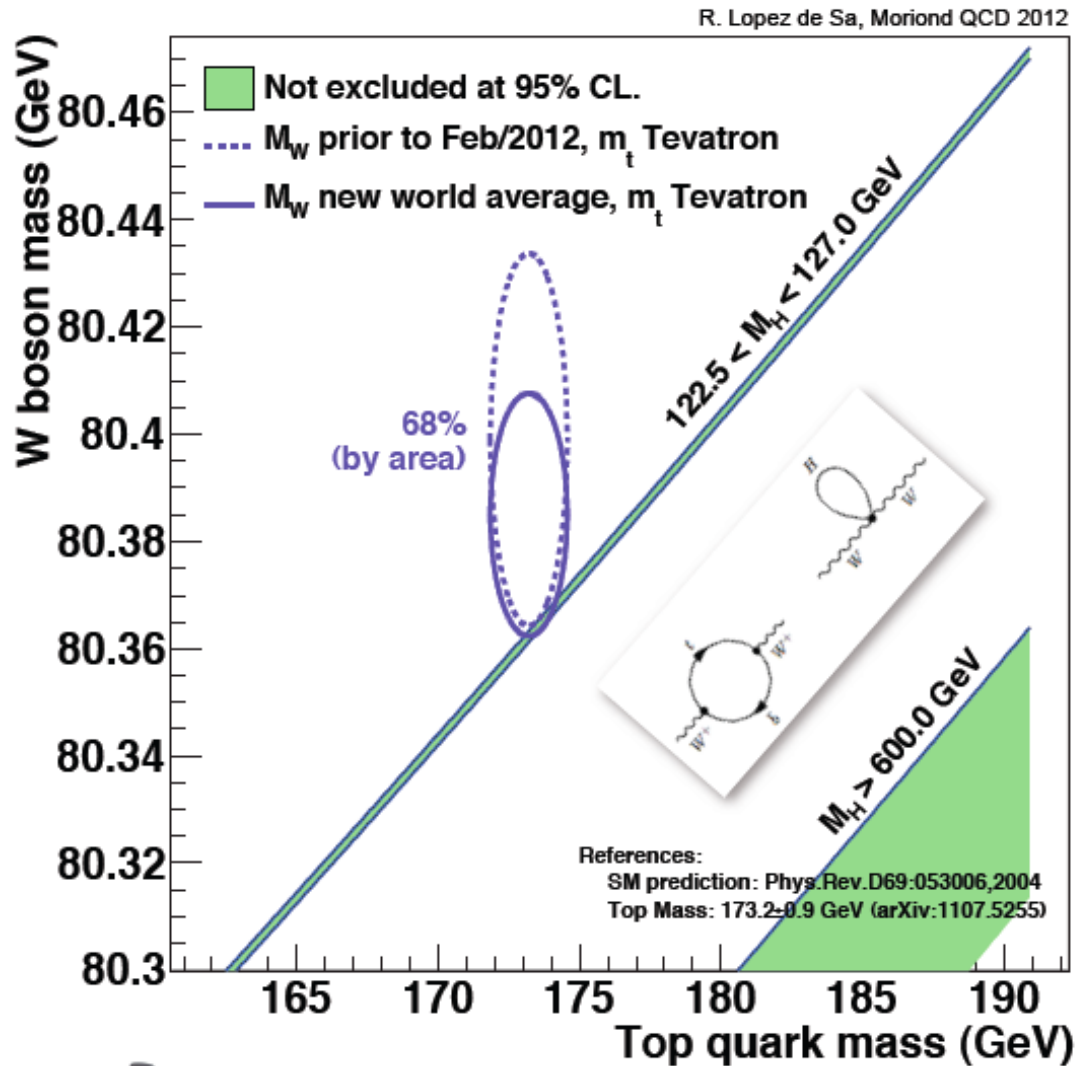
$$\Delta r_{\text{Higgs}} \sim \ln(m_H^2)$$

**1-loop correction:**  $M_W^2 = \frac{\pi\alpha}{\sqrt{2}G_F \sin^2\theta_W} (1 + \Delta r)$

1 GeV change of  $m_{\text{top}}$  leads to  
~10 GeV change of  $m_{\text{Higgs}}$

Discovery at :  $m_H = 125.6 \pm 0.4 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.2 \text{ (syst.) GeV}$

# $m_W$ - $m_{\text{top}}$ plane



The observation of the physical Higgs boson with  $m_H$  well consistent with the (indirect) prediction of the e.w. precision tests is a great success of the SM.

$$m_H = 99^{+28}_{-23} \text{ GeV}$$

direct  $m_h \neq$  indirect  $m_h$



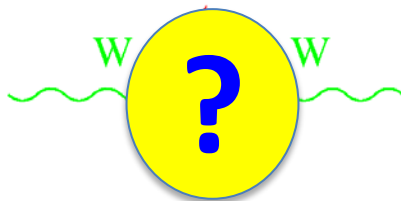
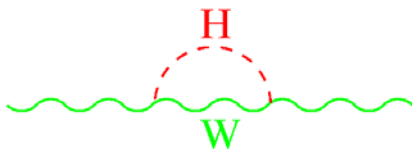
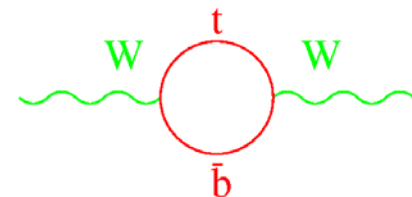
*unambiguous indication*

NP close to the TeV scale

$\pm 1 \text{ GeV}$  in top mass  $\rightarrow \pm 10 \text{ GeV}$  in Higgs mass

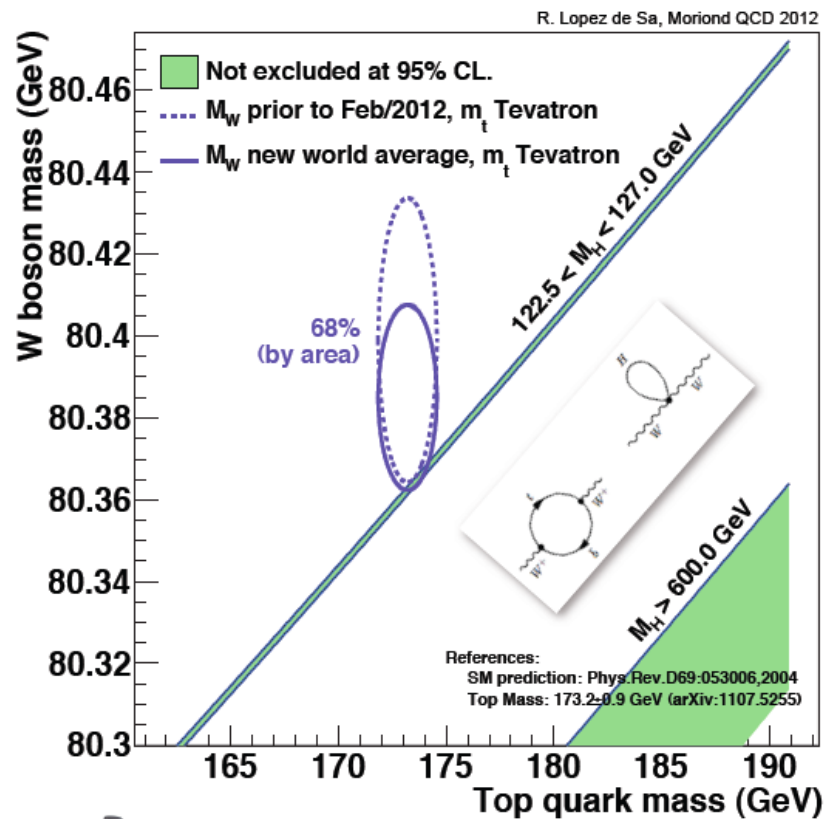
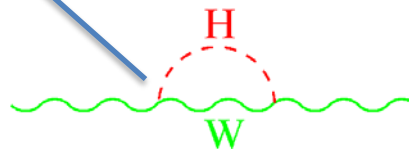
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**Precise Measurement is  
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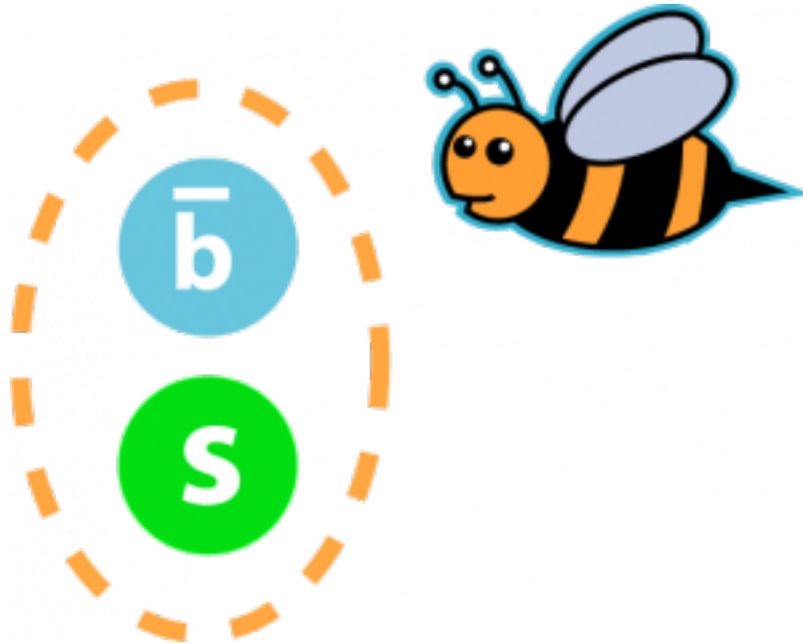


OR

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# Rare $B^0_s$ -Meson Decay to di-muon





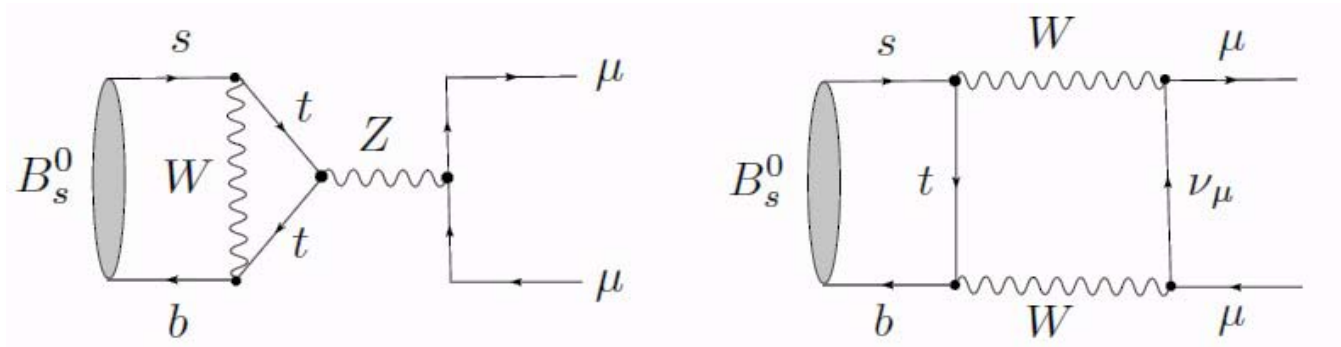
# The Rare Decay $B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

◆  $10^6$  bb events per second!!!

❖ Decays highly suppressed in SM *forbidden* at tree level

❖  $B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  transition only through *Penguin* diagrams

❖ Suppressed by factors of  $(m_\mu/m_B)^2$



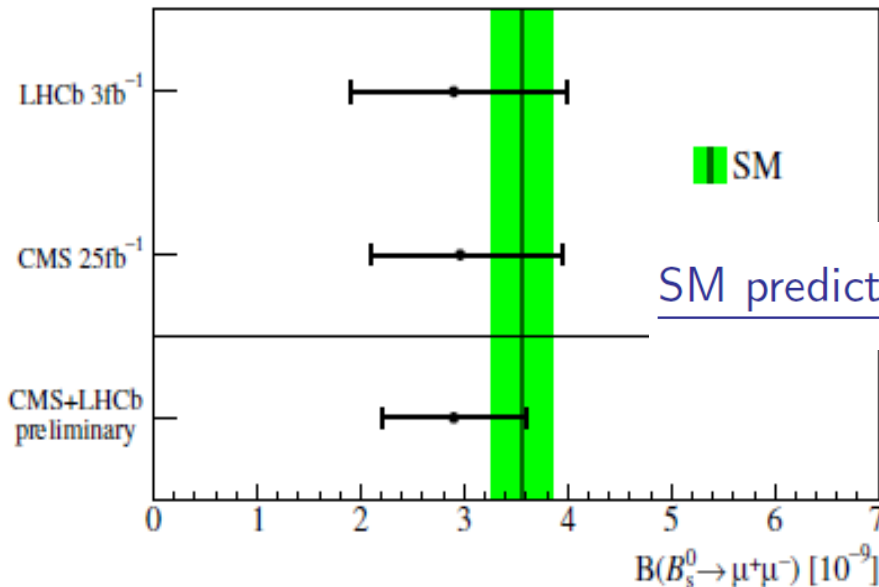
[De Bruyn et al. PRL 109, 041801]; [A. Buras et al. arXiv:1303.3820]

SM prediction:  $\text{BR}(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (3.6 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-9}$

# Significance

An excess of  $B_0 \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events with respect to background is observed with a significance of **4.3 standard deviations**.

Expected	Observed
4.8 $\sigma$	<b>4.3<math>\sigma</math> (p-value = <math>9.8 \times 10^{-6}</math>)</b>

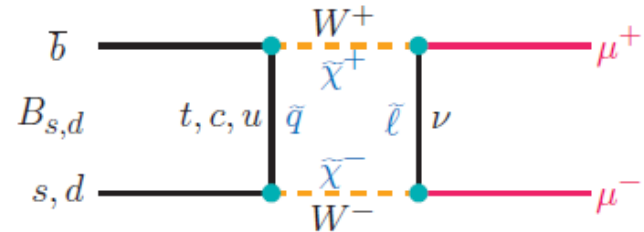
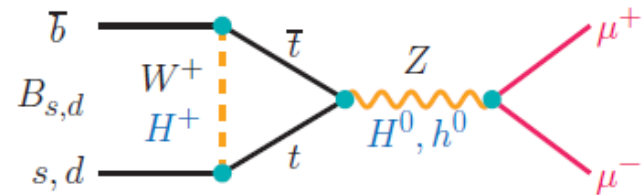
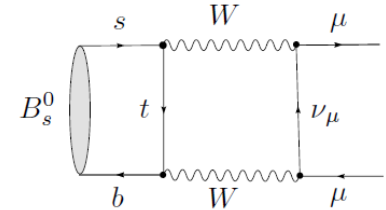
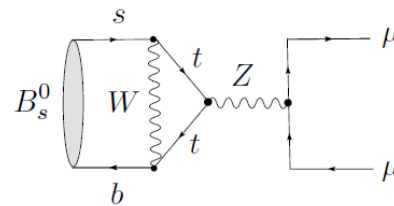
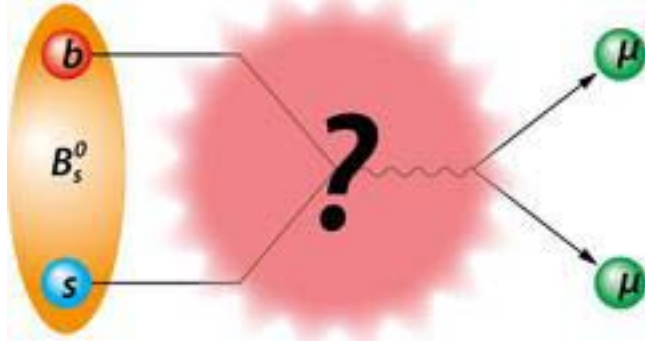


$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (3.0_{-0.9}^{+1.0}) \times 10^{-9}$$

SM prediction:  $\text{BR}(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = (3.6 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-9}$

Test of SM with high precision:  $10^{-9}$

# Sensitivity to new physics BSM



- ▷  $\mathcal{B} \sim (\tan \beta)^6$  in MSSM
- ▷  $\mathcal{B} \sim (\tan \beta)^4, m_{H^\pm}$  in 2HDM

arXiv:1205.1845

Strong limits on new MSSM, ED, fourth Generation, ... parameters

# Strong Coupling Constant Measurement: $\alpha_s$



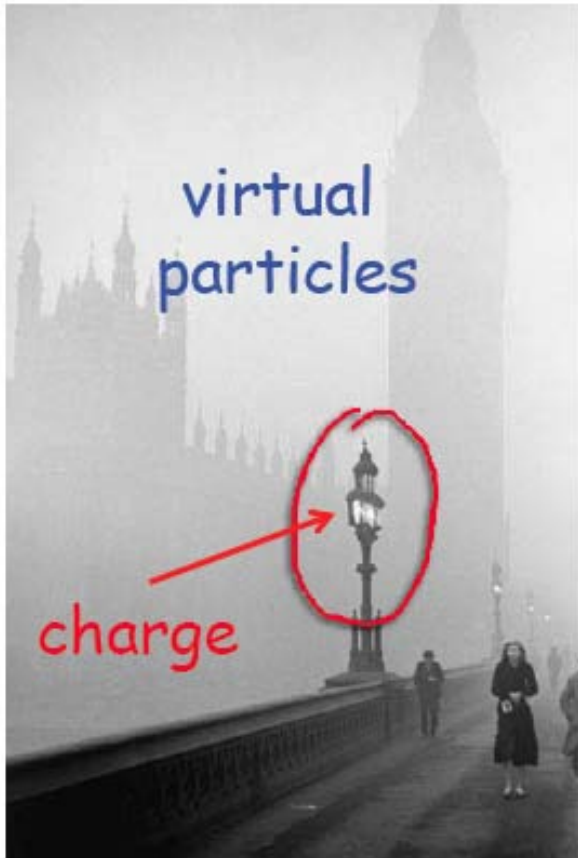
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# Strong Coupling Constant

Classical physics: force depends on distance

Quantum physics: charge depends on distance



A strange phenomenon

QED:

virtual particles screen the charge  
→ charge gets weaker as we move away even stranger

QCD:

virtual particles anti-screen the charge → charge gets stronger as we move away

Coupling constant is not a “constant”

Verification of running of  $\alpha_s$  and test of QCD at the smallest distance scale

➤  $\alpha_s = 0.118$  at  $m_Z$

➤  $\alpha_s \approx 0.082$  at 4 TeV (QCD expectation)

# Strong Coupling Measurement

-Runs with  $Q^2$ , accounts for vacuum polarization

$$\alpha_s(Q^2) = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{[1 + (\alpha_s(\mu^2) \frac{(33-2n_f)}{12\pi}) \ln(Q^2/\mu^2)]}$$

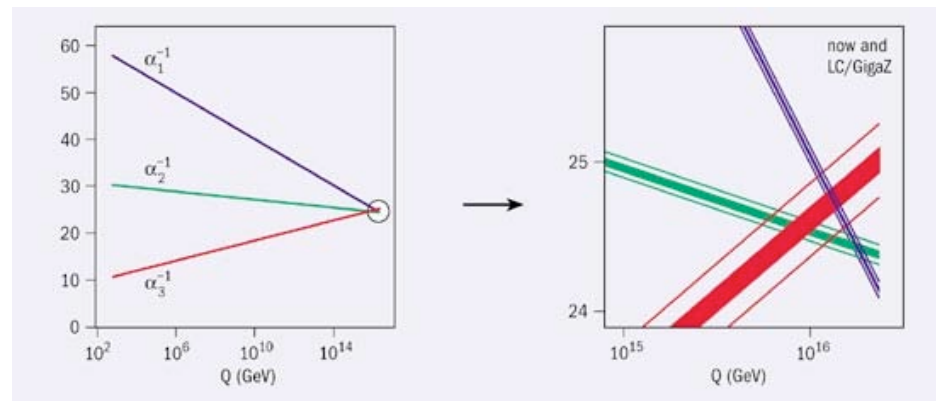
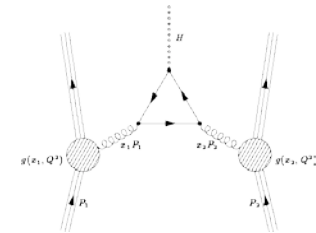
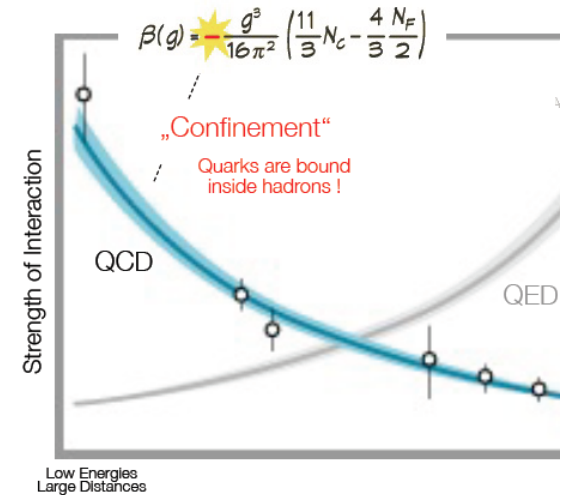
$-\alpha_s(Q^2) \rightarrow 0$ , as  $Q \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $r \rightarrow 0$

**Coupling very weak  $\rightarrow$  partons are essentially free**

**In addition to its running, precise measurement is important:**

**-Higgs,... Productions**

**-Forces Unification**

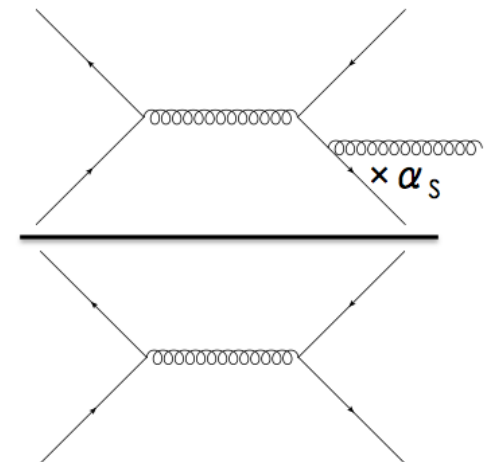


# Multijet ratios for $\alpha_s$ measurements

- Ratios of inclusive cross-sections for event with  $\geq 3$  jets and  $\geq 2$  jets:
    - Sensitive to the value of  $\alpha_s$
    - Cancellation of systematic uncertainties (luminosity, PDFs, etc)
- for more precise test of QCD

$$R_{3/2}(p_T^{\text{lead}}) = \frac{d\sigma_{N_{\text{jet}} \geq 3}}{dp_T^{\text{lead}}} \bigg/ \frac{d\sigma_{N_{\text{jet}} \geq 2}}{dp_T^{\text{lead}}} \sim \alpha_s \quad \text{“Probability that a 2-jet event has a third jet”}$$

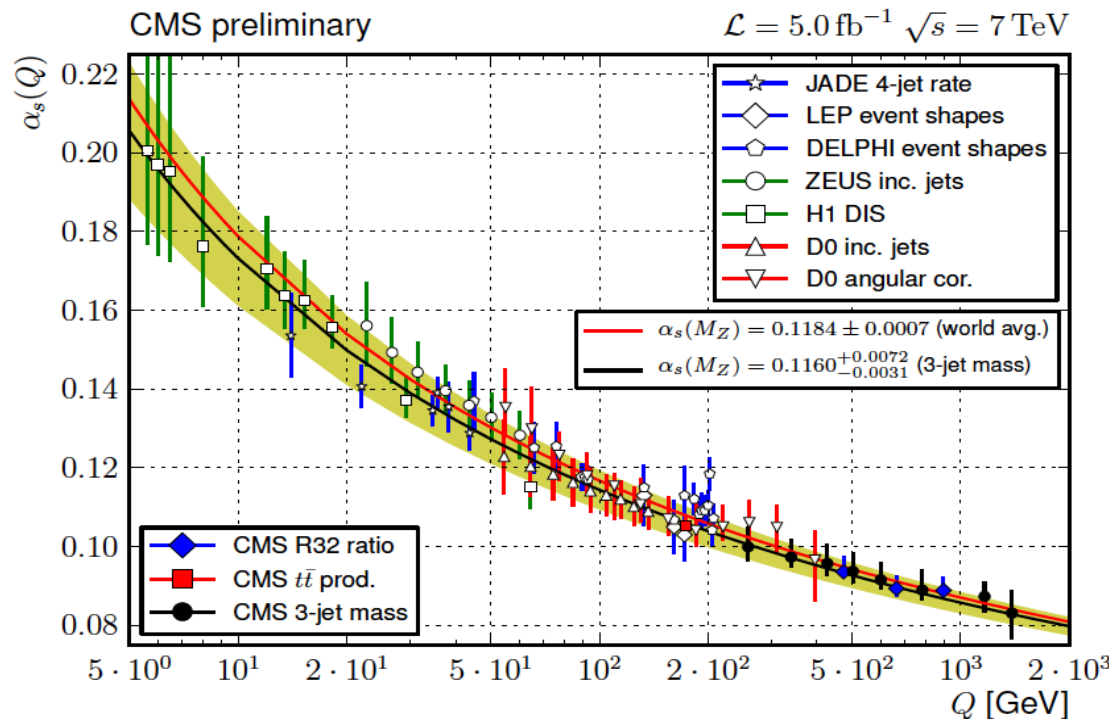
- Cross-section can be measured relative to various quantities, typically jet transverse momenta
  - Collision energy at LHC means running of the coupling can be tested at new scales



# Multijet ratios for $\alpha_s$ measurements: Running of Coupling Constant



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QCD, as a theory, is a good description of strong interactions

One universal coupling is sufficient to describe the strong interaction

CMS-PAS-SMP-12-027

0.02 fm

0.002 fm

0.0002 fm

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1160 \pm_{0.0023}^{0.0025} \text{ (exp, PDF, NP)} \pm_{0.0021}^{0.0068} \text{ (scale)}$$

All LHC-era results are consistent with the current world average from the Particle Data Group:

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1184 \pm 0.0007$$



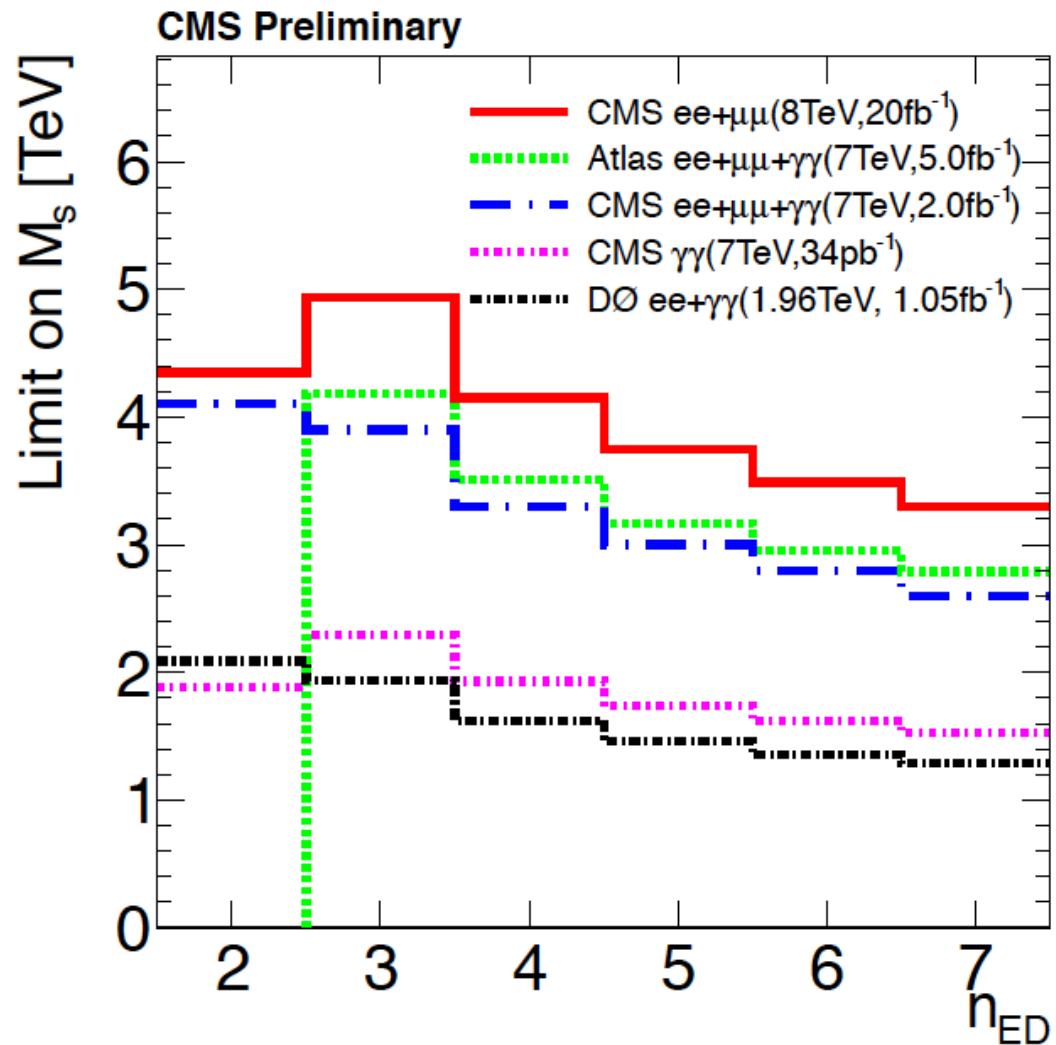
# Beyond Standard Models

Large Extra Dimensions:



CMS-PAS-EXO-12-031

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# Beyond Standard Models

Supersymmetry:



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$\tilde{g}\text{-}\tilde{g}$  production,  $\tilde{g} \rightarrow t \bar{t} \tilde{\chi}_1^0$

