

# IV-2 The Higgs Sector

(i)  $W^\pm, Z^0$  are massive, e.g.  $m_Z = 91.1876(23) \text{ GeV}$

(ii) Matter-fields are massive

$$m_W^2 = m_Z^2 \cos^2 \theta_W$$

(i)  $\sim m_W^2 \text{ tr } W^2$

(ii)  $\sim m_\psi \bar{\psi} \psi = m_\psi \bar{\psi}_R \psi_L + m_\psi \bar{\psi}_L \psi_R$

$\omega^a I^a$   
↓

(i),(ii) are not gauge invariant  $\psi \rightarrow e^{i(1-\gamma_5)/2 \omega} \psi$

$$m_W^2 \text{ tr } W^2 \rightarrow -\frac{i}{g} m_W^2 \text{ tr } \mathcal{D} W$$

$$m_\psi \bar{\psi} \psi \rightarrow m_\psi \bar{\psi} e^{-i(1+\gamma_5)/2 \omega} e^{i(1-\gamma_5)/2 \omega} \psi$$

$$\bar{\psi} \rightarrow \psi^\dagger e^{-i(1-\gamma_5)/2 \omega} \gamma^0 = \psi^\dagger \gamma^0 e^{-i(1+\gamma_5)/2 \omega}$$

$$= \bar{\psi} e^{-i(1+\gamma_5)/2 \omega}$$

inf.  $\bar{\psi} \psi \rightarrow -i \bar{\psi} \gamma_5 \psi$

$$= m_\psi \bar{\psi} e^{-i \gamma_5 \omega} \psi$$

$$= m_\psi (\bar{\psi}_R e^{i\omega} \psi_L + \bar{\psi}_L e^{-i\omega} \psi_R)$$

Assume we have scalar field  $\phi$  with  $\langle \phi \rangle = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow$  "Mass terms":

Yukawa term

$$\mathcal{L}_Y(x) = -h_\psi (\bar{\psi}_R \phi^\dagger \psi_L + \bar{\psi}_L \phi \psi_R)$$

$\omega$  &  $h$  doublet  $\phi$ :

$$\phi(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1(x) \\ \phi_2(x) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \phi(x) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}(x) \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1(x) \\ \phi_2(x) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{U} \in SU(2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi^\dagger(x) \bar{\Psi}_L(x) \rightarrow \phi^\dagger(x) u^\dagger(x) u(x) \bar{\Psi}_L(x) = \phi^\dagger(x) \bar{\Psi}_L(x)$$

$\Rightarrow$  Yukawa term  $\mathcal{L}_Y(x) \xrightarrow{u} \mathcal{L}_Y(x)$  gauge invariant under  $SU(2)$ !

Hypercharge:  $\phi(x) \rightarrow e^{i Y_H \omega} \phi(x)$

with  $Y_H = Y_L - Y_R = 1/2$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_Y(x) \xrightarrow{e^{i Y \omega}} \mathcal{L}_Y(x)$$

$$\left[ \bar{\Psi}_R \phi^\dagger \bar{\Psi}_L = \bar{\Psi}_R e^{-i Y_R \omega} \phi^\dagger e^{-i(Y_L - Y_R)\omega} e^{i Y_L \omega} \bar{\Psi}_L = \bar{\Psi}_R \phi^\dagger \bar{\Psi}_L \right]$$

Electric charge:  $\phi_1(x) \circlearrowleft Y_H + I_3 = 1$

$\phi_2(x) \circlearrowleft Y_H + I_3 = 0 \quad \langle \phi \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$

in summary  $\mathcal{L}(x)$  is gauge invariant,

$\phi$  couples to  $W_\mu$  and to  $B_\mu$ .

Mass term for fermions:  $\phi_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$

$$-h_e (\bar{\Psi}_R \phi_0^\dagger \bar{\Psi}_L + h.c.) = -h_e v/\sqrt{2} (\bar{\Psi}_R \bar{\Psi}_L + h.c.) \circlearrowleft \boxed{m_e = h_e v/\sqrt{2}}$$

Kinetic term:  $\partial_\nu \phi^\dagger \partial^\nu \phi$

$$g = e / \sin \theta_w$$

$$\rightarrow \mathcal{D}_\nu \phi^\dagger \mathcal{D}^\nu \phi$$

$$g' = e / \cos \theta_w$$

with  $\mathcal{D}_\nu = \partial_\nu + i g W_\nu + i g' B_\nu Y_H$

$$W_\nu = W_\nu^a \sigma^a / 2$$

Higgs Lagrangian: (for electron)

$$\mathcal{L}_H(x) = \mathcal{D}_\nu \phi^\dagger \mathcal{D}^\nu \phi - h_e (\bar{\psi}_{eR} \phi^\dagger \psi_{eL} + \text{h.c.}) - V(\phi^\dagger \phi)$$

$V$  is gauge invariant, as

$$\phi^\dagger \phi \xrightarrow{u} \phi^\dagger u^\dagger u \phi = \phi^\dagger \phi$$

$$\phi^\dagger \phi \xrightarrow{e^{i\gamma_4 \omega}} \phi^\dagger e^{-i\gamma_4 \omega} e^{i\gamma_4 \omega} \phi$$

mass of  $Z^0, W^\pm$ : Take  $\phi_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$  4-13

$$\partial^\mu \phi_0 = \frac{i v}{2\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} g W^{+\mu} \\ g' B^\mu - g W_3^\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $g' B^\mu - g W_3^\mu = \frac{g}{\cos\theta_w} (\sin\theta_w B^\mu - \cos\theta_w W_3^\mu)$

$$= -\frac{g}{\cos\theta_w} Z^{0\mu}$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial_\mu \phi_0^\dagger \partial^\mu \phi_0 = \frac{v^2 g^2}{8} \left( 2 W^-_\mu W^{+\mu} + \frac{1}{\cos^2\theta_w} Z^-_\mu Z^{0\mu} \right)$$

This provides mass terms for  $W^\pm, Z^0$ :

$$m_Z = \frac{1}{2} v g / \cos\theta_w$$
$$m_W = \frac{1}{2} v g$$

and  $\sin^2\theta_w = 1 - \frac{m_W^2}{m_Z^2}$

# Full Lagrange density

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$$\mathcal{L}(x) = \underset{\text{p. 4-8}}{\mathcal{L}_{EW}(x)} + \underset{\text{p. 4-10}}{\mathcal{L}_H(x)}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4} W_{\mu\nu}^a W^{a\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$$

$$+ \bar{\Psi} i\gamma^\mu \mathcal{D}_\mu \Psi - h_\psi (\bar{\Psi}_R \phi^\dagger \Psi_L + \bar{\Psi}_L \phi \Psi_R) \\ + \mathcal{D}_\mu \phi^\dagger \mathcal{D}^\mu \phi - v(\phi^\dagger \phi)$$

with

$$Z_\mu^0 = \cos \theta_w W_\mu^3 - \sin \theta_w B_\mu$$

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

and currents  $\frac{2e}{\sin 2\theta_w} Z_\mu^0 j_{nc}^\mu - e A_\mu j_{em}^\mu$

$$j_{em}^\mu = \text{p. (4-8)}$$

$$j_{nc}^\mu = \text{p. (4-9)}$$

# Parameters:

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$$g, \sin \theta_w, v, h_f$$

## Measurements:

(i) fine structure constant

$$\alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi} = \frac{g^2 \sin^2 \theta_w}{4\pi}$$

137.0359000  
see QED notes

(ii) Fermi coupling constant

$$G_F = \frac{g^2 \sqrt{2}}{8 m_W^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} v^2} = 1.16639(1) \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

(iii) the  $Z^0$ -boson mass

$$m_Z = \frac{g v}{2 \cos \theta_w} = 91.1876(22) \text{ GeV}$$

(iv) Fermion masses

$$m_f = h_f v / \sqrt{2}$$

[mass hierarchy not understood]

## IV-3 Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking

i) Simple example:  $O(2)$ -model,  $\phi$  complex field

$$\mathcal{L} = \partial_\mu \phi^* \partial^\mu \phi - \mu^2 \phi^* \phi - \lambda (\phi^* \phi)^2$$

with invariance (global)

$$\phi \rightarrow e^{i\omega} \phi \quad (\partial_\mu \omega = 0)$$

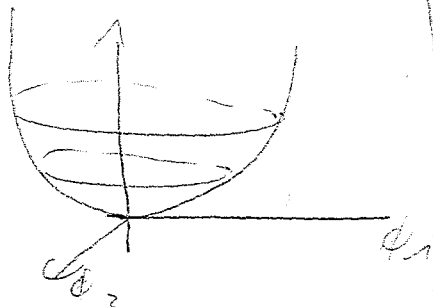
$$\rightarrow \phi^* \rightarrow \phi^* e^{-i\omega}$$

Hamiltonian density  $\mathcal{H} = \partial_\mu \phi^* \partial^\mu \phi + V(\phi^* \phi)$

$$\mathcal{H} = \partial_\mu \phi^* \partial^\mu \phi + V(\phi^* \phi)$$

$$\text{with } V(\phi^* \phi) = \mu^2 \phi^* \phi + \lambda (\phi^* \phi)^2$$

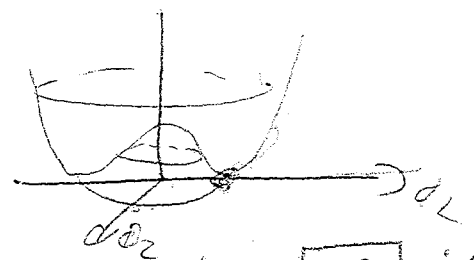
$$\mu^2 > 0:$$



$$\text{Minimum: } \phi_0 = 0$$

$$\text{mass: } m^2 = \left. \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial \phi \partial \phi^*} \right|_{\phi_0} = \mu^2$$

$$\mu^2 < 0$$



$$\text{Minimum: } \phi_0 = \sqrt{\frac{-\mu^2}{2\lambda}} e^{i\Theta}$$

$$\text{masses: } \Theta = 0, \phi = \phi_1 + i\phi_2$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left. \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial \phi_1^2} \right|_{\phi_0} = -2\mu^2$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left. \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial \phi_2^2} \right|_{\phi_0} = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  1 massive boson (radial mode)

1 massless boson (Goldstone boson)

Spontaneous Symmetry breaking: theory rests  
in given minimum

Remark: in QM the ground state is

symmetric! in QFT for  $d > 2$

spont. sym. break (SSB) is possible,  $d \leq 2$  no

SSB for a cont. sym. can occur

(Mermin-Wagner (-Coleman)), but discrete (SSB)

For  $d \leq 2$  no SSB can occur: QM  $\& d=0$

Lagrangian:  $\phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (v + \underbrace{\sigma(x)}_{\text{radial mode}} + i \underbrace{\pi(x)}_{\text{Goldstone}})$ ,  $v = \sqrt{\frac{-\mu^2}{\lambda}}$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \partial_\mu \sigma \partial^\mu \sigma + \partial_\mu \pi \partial^\mu \pi \right]$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} \mu^2 \left[ (v + \sigma)^2 + \pi^2 \right] - \frac{1}{4} \lambda \left[ (v + \sigma)^2 + \pi^2 \right]^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \partial_\mu \sigma \partial^\mu \sigma - m_\sigma^2 \sigma^2 \right] + \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \pi \partial^\mu \pi$$

with  $\left[ m_\sigma^2 = -2 \mu^2 \right]$  + interaction - term  $\sigma$  (+ const.)