

I. Introduction

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1. Building blocks of matter and their interactions

1.1 Leptons and Quarks

Point-like, spin $\frac{1}{2}$, elementary building blocks of matter

	Flavor-Generation	Q [e]
Leptons	$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e \end{pmatrix}$ $\begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu \\ \mu \end{pmatrix}$ $\begin{pmatrix} \nu_\tau \\ \tau \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$
Quarks	$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix}$ $\begin{pmatrix} c \\ s \end{pmatrix}$ $\begin{pmatrix} t \\ b \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} +\frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}$

Anti-particles with opposite charge to each lepton/quark

Lepton Properties

- All leptons exist as free particles
 - Lepton number conservation

$$\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu$$

	mass · c^2	lifetime	Lepton number
e^-	511 keV	∞	$L_e = 1$
μ^-	106 MeV	2.2 μ s	$L_\mu = 1$
τ^-	1.78 GeV	0.3 ps	$L_\tau = 1$
v_e	< 3 eV	∞	$L_e = 1$
v_μ	< 190 keV	∞	$L_\mu = 1$
v_τ	< 18.2 MeV	∞	$L_\tau = 1$

In the standard model lepton flavor conservation is a consequence of vanishing neutrino masses.

Lepton flavor violation also
for charged leptons ?

In the Standard Model neutrinos are assumed to be massless. Recently clear evidence for neutrino oscillations have been observed: explained with non-zero masses. Mass difference are very small: $m_\nu < 3 \text{ eV}$ for all Neutrinos

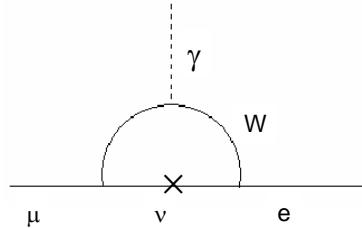
Impressive limits for lepton flavor violation:

$$BR_{\mu \rightarrow e\gamma} = \frac{\Gamma(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma)}{\Gamma(\mu \rightarrow e\bar{\nu}_e\nu_\mu)} < 1.2 \cdot 10^{-11}$$

$$BR_{\mu \rightarrow e} = \frac{\Gamma(\mu^- + (Z, A) \rightarrow e + (Z, A))}{\Gamma(\mu^-(Z, A) \rightarrow \nu_\mu + (Z-1, Z))} < 8 \cdot 10^{-13} \quad \text{Muon capture}$$

proposed: $BR_{\mu \rightarrow e\gamma} < 5 \cdot 10^{-14}$ **proposed:** $BR_{\mu \rightarrow e} < 8 \cdot 10^{-17}$ (Al)

Standard model process:



Effect of neutrino mass is
 “GIM suppressed” by a factor
 of $(\Delta m_\nu^2/M_W^2)^2 \sim 10^{-50}$ and
 hence unobservable

SUSY-GUT scenarios predict larger BR for LFV decays.

Quark Properties

- Quarks are confined in hadrons: mesons ($q\bar{q}$) or baryons (qqq)
- Quark masses cannot be measured directly
- Constituent quark masses: determination from observed hadron mass spectra + assumed binding potential
For the light quarks (u,d,s,) the masses are estimates of the "current masses" which appear in the QCD Lagrangian
- Quarks carry color charge

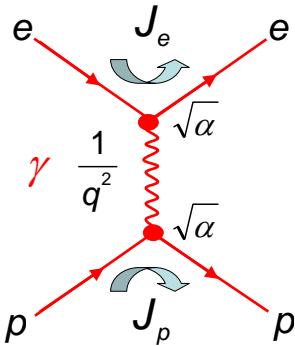
	quark mass·c ²	Flavour number
u, d	2 - 8 MeV	I=±1/2
s	80 - 130 MeV	S=-1
c	1.15 - 1.35 GeV	C=+1
b	4.6 – 4.9 GeV	B=-1
t	~175 GeV	T=+1

1.2 Fundamental interactions

IA	Mediator boson	strength
Strong	Gluon g	1
Elektro-magnetic	Photon	~10 ⁻²
weak	$W^\pm Z^0$	~10 ⁻⁵
Gravitation	Graviton	~10 ⁻³⁹

- Forces are mediated by virtual field quanta (bosons)
- Virtual bosons transfer energy and momentum for which in general $m_{Boson}^2 \neq E^2 - p^2$ (off mass-shell)

a.) Electro-magnetic interaction



ep scattering:

$$M_{fi} \sim J_e \cdot \sqrt{\alpha} \cdot \frac{1}{q^2} \cdot \sqrt{\alpha} \cdot J_p \sim \frac{\alpha}{q^2}$$

Diff. cross section:

$$d\sigma \sim |M_{fi}|^2 \sim \frac{\alpha^2}{q^4}$$

(Rutherford formula)

$$\alpha = \alpha_{QED} = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar c} = \frac{e^2}{4\pi}$$

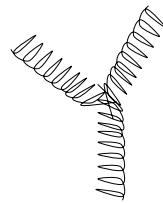
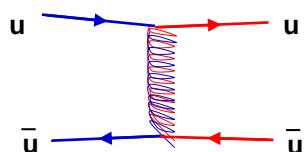
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 $\hbar = c = 1$

b.) Strong interaction

Color charges and gluons.

- Quarks and anti-quarks carry 3 color different (anti) charges
- Interaction is mediated by 8 massless colored gluons (spin 1)
- Color symmetry is exact: strong interaction only depends on color and is independent of quark flavor
- Color charge of gluons \Rightarrow gluon-gluon coupling: triple gluon vertex

$q: r \ g \ b$ $\bar{q}: \bar{r} \ \bar{g} \ \bar{b}$



How strong is “strong” ?

Use decay times of the following kinematically similar Σ decays:

Σ decays	Q-value	Decay time	IA
$\Sigma^0(1192, uds\rangle) \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma$	74 MeV	10^{-19} s	e.m.
$\Sigma^+(1189, uus\rangle) \rightarrow p\pi^0$	189 MeV	10^{-10} s	weak
$\Sigma^0(1385, uds\rangle) \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^0$	208 MeV	10^{-23} s	strong

For the decay times one finds

$$\tau = \frac{\hbar}{\Gamma} \sim \frac{1}{|M_{fi}|^2} \sim \frac{1}{\alpha_{IA}^2}$$

α_{IA} = effective coupling of decay process

Neglecting kinematics:

$$\frac{\tau(\Sigma \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma)}{\tau(\Sigma \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^0)} \approx \frac{\alpha_s^2}{\alpha_{em}^2} \approx 10^{-4}$$

$$\text{with } \alpha_{em} = \frac{1}{137} \Rightarrow \alpha_s \approx 1$$

c.) Weak interaction

Mediated by massive bosons:

$$M_W \approx 80 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

$$M_Z \approx 91 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

$$M_{fi} \sim g_w \cdot \frac{1}{q^2 - M_w^2} \cdot g_w$$

for Σ decay: $q^2 \ll M_W^2$: $M_{fi} \sim \frac{g_w^2}{M_w^2} \sim G_F \approx 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2} \Leftrightarrow \alpha_w$ is small

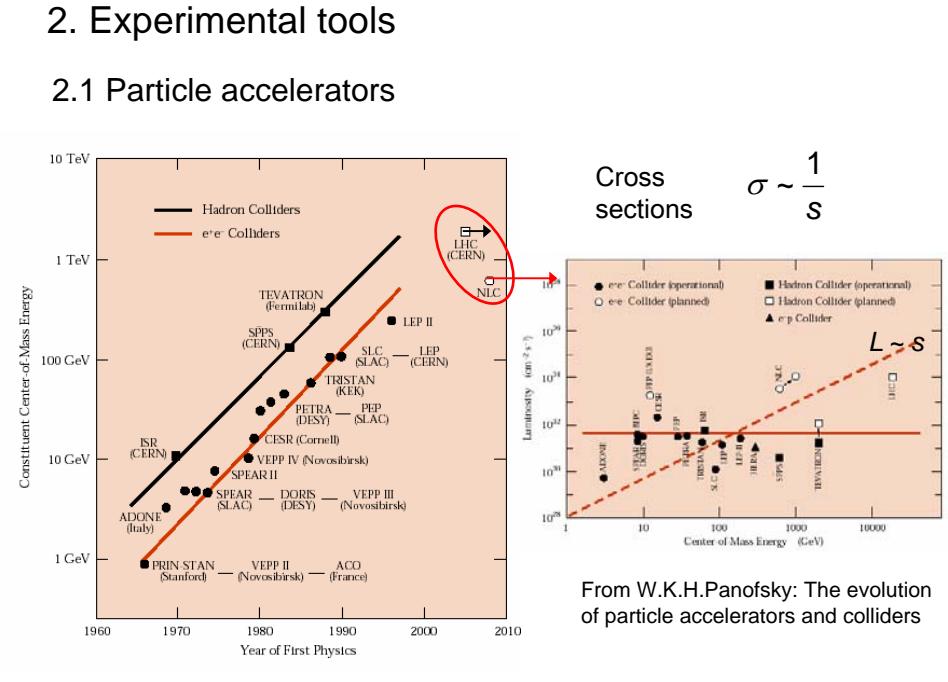
(massive propagator leads to suppression)

Estimate the strength from $\Sigma \rightarrow p\pi^0$ decay

$$\frac{\tau(\Sigma \rightarrow \Lambda\gamma)}{\tau(\Sigma \rightarrow p\pi^0)} \approx \frac{\alpha_w^2}{\alpha_{em}^2}$$

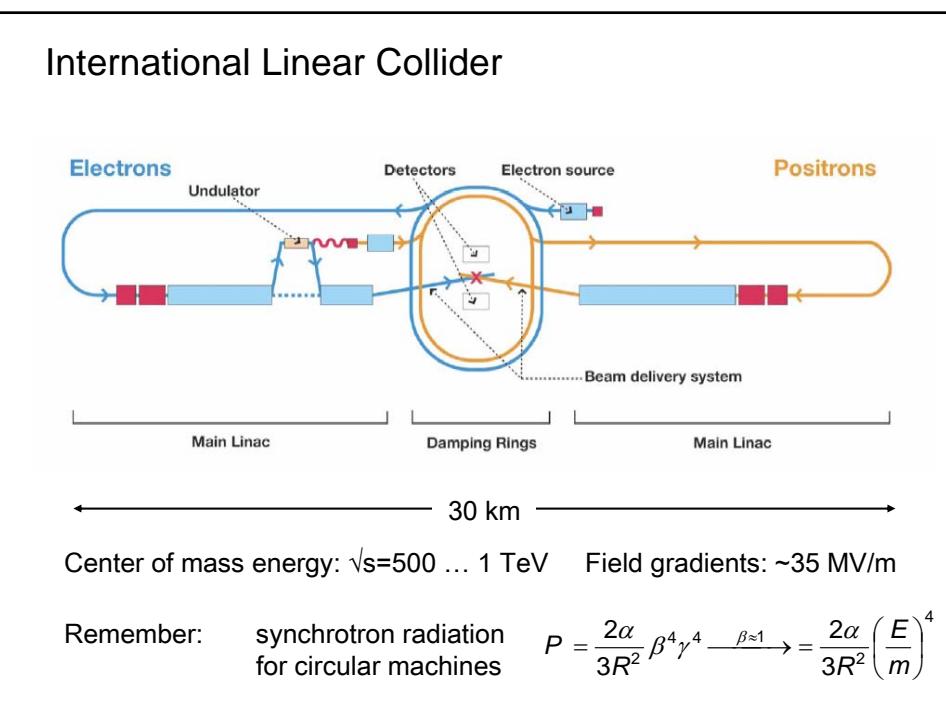
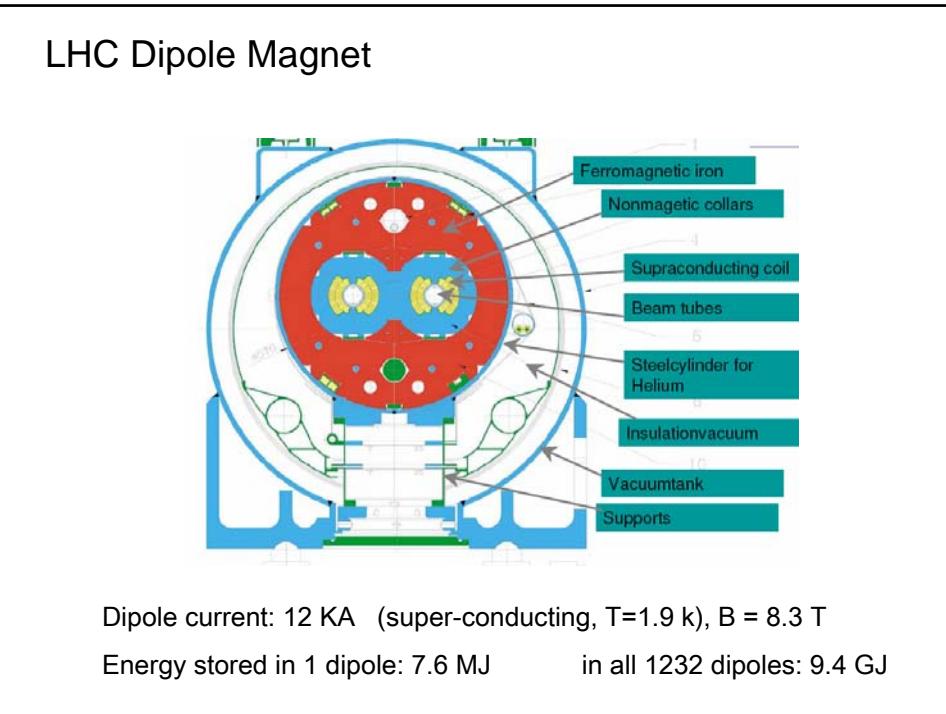
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\alpha_w}{\alpha_{em}} \approx 10^{-5} \dots 10^{-4}$$

“effective weak coupling”



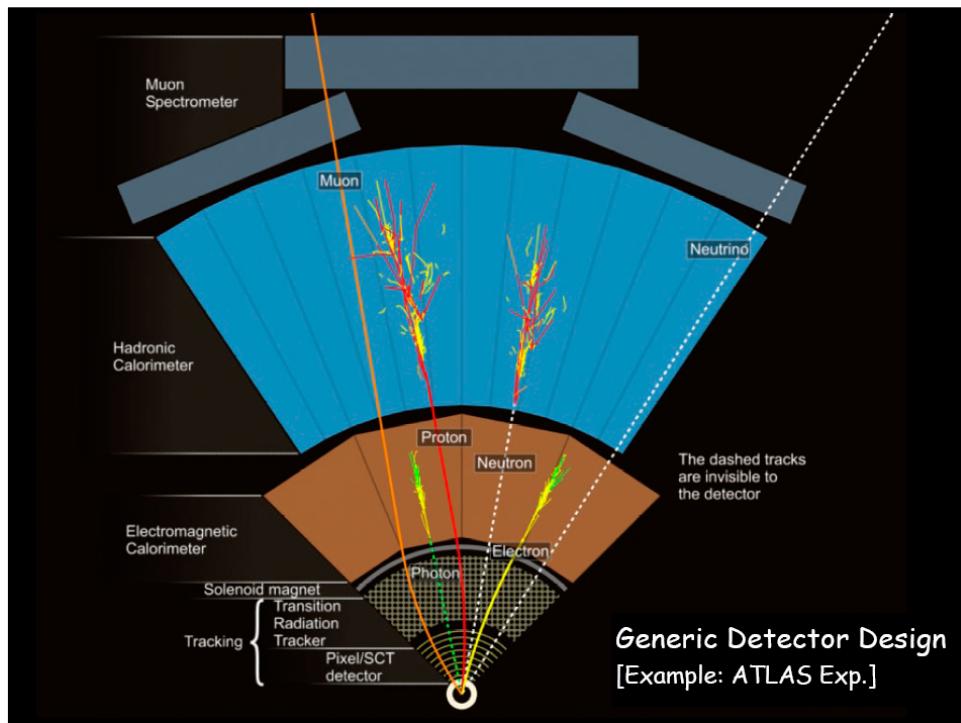
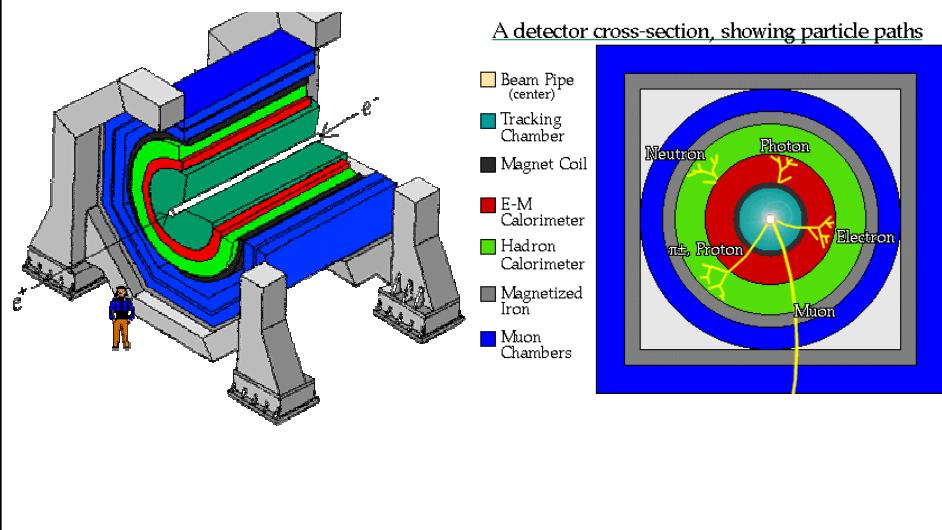
Large Hadron Collider

Momentum at collision	7 TeV/c	High beam energy in LEP tunnel superconducting NbTi magnets at 1.9 K
Momentum at injection	450 GeV/c	
Dipole field at 7 TeV	8.33 Tesla	
Circumference	26658 m	
Luminosity	$10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$	High luminosity at 7 TeV very high energy stored in the beam
Number of bunches	2808	
Particles per bunch	$1.1 \cdot 10^{11}$	
DC beam current	0.56 A	
Stored energy per beam	350 MJ	beam power concentrated in small area
Normalised emittance	3.75 μm	
Beam size at IP / 7 TeV	15.9 μm	
Beam size in arcs (rms)	300 μm	
Arcs: Counter-rotating proton beams in two-in-one magnets		Limited investment small aperture for beams
Magnet coil inner diameter	56 mm	
Distance between beams	194 mm	



2.2 Particle detectors

Prototype of a modern compact particle detector



3. Natural units

$$\hbar = c = 1$$

With this choice one has the freedom to choose the unit of one other physical quantity. Typically: $[E] = \text{GeV}$

\Rightarrow Units of all other quantities are defined

Quantity	HEP unit	—————>	SI unit
Energy	GeV		$1.6 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ J}$
Mass	GeV	$\times 1/c^2$	$1.78 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
Time	GeV^{-1}	$\times \hbar$	$6.58 \cdot 10^{-25} \text{ s}$
Length	GeV^{-1}	$\times \hbar c$	0.197 fm
Area	GeV^{-2}	$\times (\hbar c)^2$	0.389 mb
Charge e	$\sqrt{4\pi\alpha}$	$\times (\hbar c \epsilon_0)^{1/2}$	$1.6 \cdot 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
Temp Tk	GeV	$\times 1/k$	$1.16 \cdot 10^{16} \text{ K}$

Heaviside Lorentz
Units: $\epsilon_0 = \mu_0 = 1$
 $\alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi}$

useful const.: $\hbar c = 197 \text{ MeV} \cdot \text{fm}$
 $(\hbar c)^2 = 0.389 \text{ GeV}^2 \text{mb}$