

Standard Model

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Standard Model

- The gauge invariant lagrangian density is:

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi}_L \gamma^\mu \left[i \partial_\mu - g \vec{I} \cdot \vec{W}_\mu - \frac{g'}{2} Y B_\mu \right] \psi_L$$

$$+ \bar{\psi}_R \gamma^\mu \left[i \partial_\mu - \frac{g'}{2} Y B_\mu \right] \psi_R$$

$$- \frac{1}{4} \vec{W}_{\mu\nu} \cdot \vec{W}^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$$

Where all fields (fermions, gauge) have no masses.

where:

$$\vec{W}_{\mu\nu} = \underbrace{\partial_\mu \vec{W}_\nu - \partial_\nu \vec{W}_\mu}_{\text{as in QED}} - \underbrace{g \vec{W}_\mu \times \vec{W}_\nu}_{\text{self-coupling of 3 and 4 gauge bosons}}$$

$$B_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu B_\nu - \partial_\nu B_\mu$$

as in QED

self-coupling of 3 and 4 gauge bosons

Higgs Mechanism

- We add the following density lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L} = D_\mu \phi^\dagger D^\mu \phi - \mu^2 \phi \phi^\dagger - \lambda (\phi \phi^\dagger)^2$$

where $\mu^2 < 0$; $\lambda > 0$ and

$$D_\mu = \left[i \partial_\mu - g \vec{I} \cdot \vec{W}_\mu - \frac{g'}{2} Y B_\mu \right]$$

Higgs Mechanism

- The 4 scalar fields must be multiplets of $SU(2) \otimes U(1)$:

$$\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 + i\phi_2 \\ \phi_3 + i\phi_4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} I = 1/2; Y = +1 \\ Q_{\phi^+} = +1; Q_{\phi^0} = 0 \end{array}$$

- Then it is chosen a specific direction of $SU(2)$ for the vacuum:

$$\phi_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$

and for:

$$\phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + H(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

Higgs Mechanism

- Substituting this $\phi(x)$ into the previous \mathcal{L} one obtains (writing up to II order terms):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & \left[\frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu H)^2 - \lambda v^2 H^2 \right] + \frac{g^2 v^2}{8} (W_\mu^1 W^{1\mu} + W_\mu^2 W^{2\mu}) \\ & + \frac{v^2}{8} (g W_\mu^3 - g' B_\mu) (g W^{3\mu} - g' B^\mu) + \text{higher order terms} \\ & + \text{kinetic energy for } W \text{ and } B \end{aligned}$$

W_μ^1, W_μ^2 have conventional mass terms

W_μ^3, B_μ are mixed \rightarrow but we know that they can be rewritten through: A_μ, Z_μ and $\text{tg}\theta_W = g'/g$

- Therefore now one has (ignoring the interaction terms):

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu H)^2 - \lambda v^2 H^2 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$-\frac{1}{4} (\partial_\mu W_\nu^1 - \partial_\nu W_\mu^1) (\partial^\mu W^{1\nu} - \partial^\nu W^{1\mu}) + \frac{g^2 v^2}{8} (W_\mu^1 W^{1\mu}) \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$-\frac{1}{4} (\partial_\mu W_\nu^2 - \partial_\nu W_\mu^2) (\partial^\mu W^{2\nu} - \partial^\nu W^{2\mu}) + \frac{g^2 v^2}{8} (W_\mu^2 W^{2\mu}) \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$-\frac{1}{4} (\partial_\mu Z_\nu - \partial_\nu Z_\mu) (\partial^\mu Z^\nu - \partial^\nu Z^\mu) + \frac{v^2}{8} (g^2 + g'^2) (Z_\mu Z^\mu) \quad \textcircled{3}$$

$$-\frac{1}{4} (\partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu) (\partial^\mu A^\nu - \partial^\nu A^\mu) \quad \textcircled{4}$$

Higgs Mechanism

- One has the desired mass spectrum:

① Higgs bosons: $m_H = \sqrt{2\lambda v^2} = \sqrt{-2\mu^2}$

② 2 W bosons: $m_W = \frac{g v}{2}$

③ Z boson: $m_Z = \frac{v}{2} \sqrt{g^2 + g'^2} = \frac{m_W}{\cos \theta_W}$

④ γ photon: $m_\gamma = 0$

- One starts from a \mathcal{L} with 3 massless W + massless B + 4 scalar fields:
6 + 2 + 4 = 12 degrees of freedom

- One ends with a \mathcal{L} with 3 massive bosons (W^\pm, Z^0), a massless γ + 1 Higgs scalar field:
3×3 + 1×2 + 1 = 12 degrees of freedom
3 Goldstone bosons disappeared to give the longitudinal polarization to W^\pm, Z^0

Standard Model and Higgs Mechanism

- Why is γ massless?

One has:

$$Q = I_3 + \frac{Y}{2}$$

and then:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix} \quad I = 1/2; \quad Y = 1$$

- The vacuum fluctuation corresponds to the emission/absorption of the Higgs boson: that is each quantum number of the Higgs boson can be created/destroyed
- The charge conservation constrains to choose a vacuum expectation different from zero for ϕ^0 (and not for ϕ^+ which would imply a non conservation of Q)
- ϕ^0 with $I_3 = -1/2$ and $Y = 1$ breaks both $SU(2)_L$ and $U(1)_Y$ simultaneously. But if one finds a symmetry of the vacuum which is subgroup of $SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_Y \rightarrow$ the gauge boson of such symmetry remains massless.

Standard Model and Higgs Mechanism

- This symmetry exists:

$$Q\phi^0 = \left(I_3 + \frac{Y}{2}\right)\phi^0 = 0 \quad (*)$$

and:

$$\phi^0 \rightarrow \phi'^0 = \exp[i\alpha(x)Q]\phi^0 = \phi^0 \quad \forall \alpha(x)$$

- This is a U(1) transformation, its generator Q is a linear combination of the generators of $SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_Y$
- This is the e.m. transformation $U(1)_{em}$

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

of the 4 generators I and Y only Q satisfies (*) \rightarrow the γ remains massless

- **The existence of a massless bosons is a necessary consequence of the electric charge conservation which implies a neutral vacuum state.**

Standard Model and Higgs Mechanism

- Prediction of the masses:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} m_W &= \frac{1}{2} v g \\ \frac{g^2}{8m_W^2} &= \frac{G}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned} \right\} v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sqrt{2} G}}$$

The value of the vacuum expectation ϕ^0 depends on the Fermi G constant:

$$v \approx 246 \text{ GeV}$$

- From $g \sin \theta_W = e$ one has:

$$m_W = \left(\frac{\pi \alpha}{\sqrt{2} G} \right)^{1/2} \frac{1}{\sin \theta_W} \quad \text{with } \alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi}$$

one obtains:

$$m_W \approx 80 \text{ GeV}; \quad m_Z = \frac{m_W}{\cos \theta_W} \approx 90 \text{ GeV}$$

with $\sin^2 \theta_W \approx 0.23$

Standard Model and Higgs Mechanism

- The mass of the boson Higgs, $m_H = \sqrt{2\lambda v^2}$, depends on the unknown parameter λ which appears in the potential $V(\phi)$, m_H **cannot be predicted**.

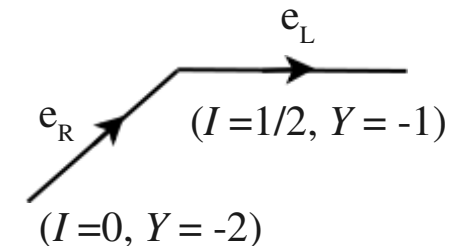
Standard Model and Higgs Mechanism

- Fermion masses

Give now mass to the fermions. Give a look to the leptons and quarks of the first generation: (e , ν_e , u , d)

One could write the following mass term for e :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_m &= -m\bar{e}e = -m\bar{e}\left[\frac{1}{2}(1-\gamma_5)+\frac{1}{2}(1+\gamma_5)\right]e \\ &= -m(\bar{e}_R e_L + \bar{e}_L e_R) \end{aligned}$$



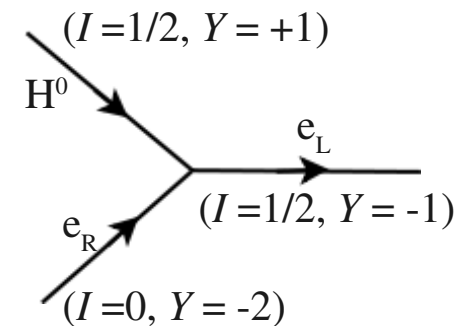
because e_R has $I_W = 0$ and e_L has $I_W = 1/2$ this mass term breaks the gauge invariance.

- One can build a gauge invariant \mathcal{L} coupling the leptons with the Higgs bosons:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{e\phi} &= -g_e[\bar{L}\phi e_R + \bar{e}_R\bar{\phi}L] \\ I: \quad &1/2 \quad 1/2 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 1/2 \quad 1/2 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

where:

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e^- \end{pmatrix}_L; \quad \phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$$



Standard Model and Higgs Mechanism

● for example:

$$\bar{L}\phi = \left(\bar{\nu}_e \quad e_L^- \right)_L \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix} = \left(\bar{\nu}_{eL} \phi^+ + e_L^- \phi^0 \right)$$

is invariant for SU(2), if one multiplies by e_R , which is a singlet, nothing happens (it remains gauge invariant).

The term $\bar{e}_R \bar{\phi} L$ is hermitian conjugate of the first term (the gauge invariant).

$g_e \equiv$ arbitrary constant

Standard Model and Higgs Mechanism

- If the symmetry is spontaneously broken:

$$\phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + H(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

one obtains:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{e\phi} &= -\frac{g_e}{\sqrt{2}} \left[(\bar{\nu}_e \ \bar{e})_L \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + H \end{pmatrix} e_R + \bar{e}_R (0 \ v + H) \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e \end{pmatrix}_L \right] \\ &= -\frac{g_e}{\sqrt{2}} \left[v \bar{e}_L e_R + \bar{e}_L e_R H + v \bar{e}_R e_L + \bar{e}_R e_L H \right] \\ &= -\frac{g_e v}{\sqrt{2}} \left[\bar{e}_L e_R + \bar{e}_R e_L \right] - \frac{g_e}{\sqrt{2}} \left[\bar{e}_L e_R + \bar{e}_R e_L \right] H \\ &= \mathcal{L}_m + \mathcal{L}_{int} = -m_e \bar{e} e - \frac{m_e}{v} \bar{e} e H \end{aligned}$$

$$m_e = \frac{g_e v}{\sqrt{2}}$$

g_e costante arbitrary constant not predicted by the theory

$$\frac{m_e}{v} = \frac{1}{2} g \frac{m_e}{m_W}$$

coupling between e -Higgs (proportional to m_e)

Standard Model and Higgs Mechanism

- $\tilde{\phi}$ transforms in the same manner of ϕ
 If $Y \phi = +\phi$ one has that $Y \tilde{\phi} = -\tilde{\phi}$ so $Q = I_3 + Y/2$ is satisfied.
- After the breaking:

$$\tilde{\phi} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} v+H \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{q\phi} = -g_d \bar{L}_q \phi d_R - g_u \bar{L}_q \tilde{\phi} u_R + h.c.$$

is gauge invariant, where:

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

g_d, g_u random constant.

- After the breaking la rottura:

$$\mathcal{L}_{q\phi} = -m_d \bar{d} d - m_u \bar{u} u - \frac{m_d}{v} \bar{d} d H - \frac{m_u}{v} \bar{u} u H$$

... in effect one should use the quark mixing matrix...