

Flavor Delicacies

A Tour Through The Mysteries Of Matter

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High-Energy Physics

God-given units:

$$\hbar = c = 1$$

$$\Delta p \cdot \Delta x \sim 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Delta E \cdot \Delta t \sim 1$$

- high-energy accelerators are giant **microscopes** resolving tiniest distances
- create conditions similar to those very shortly after the birth of the Universe

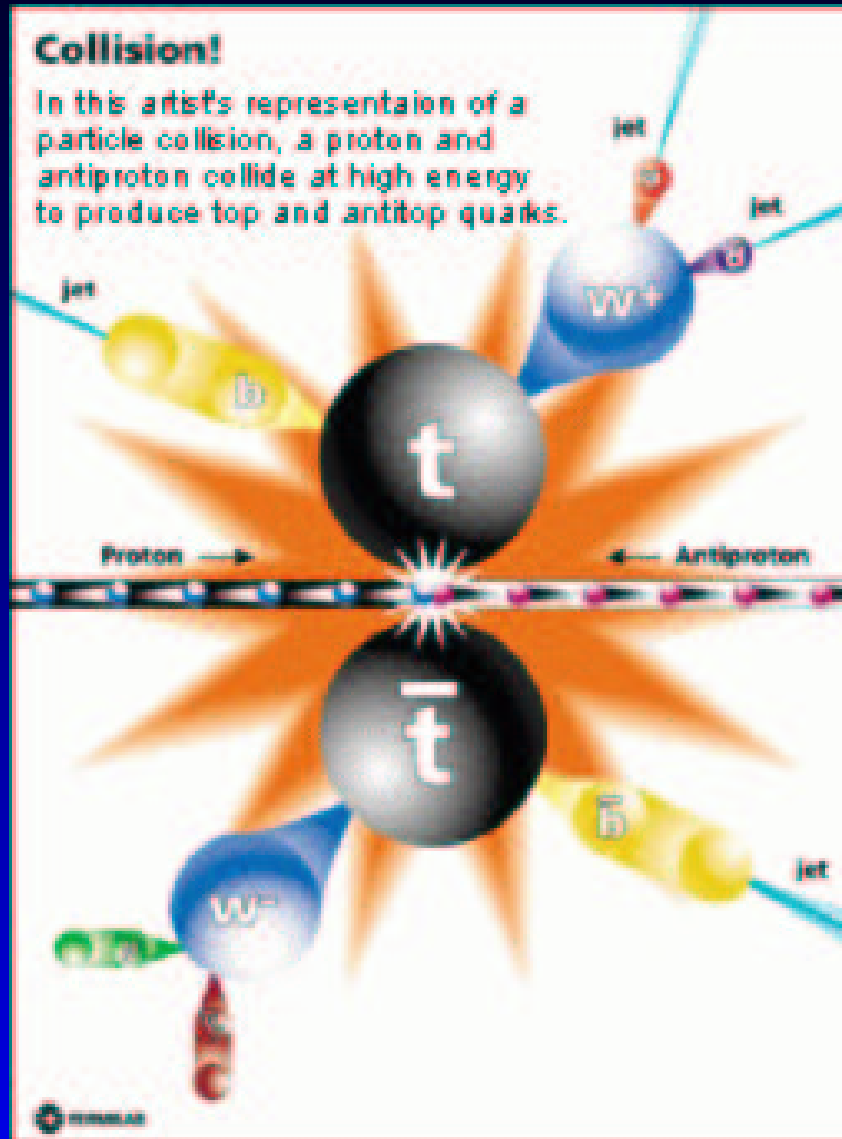
$$100 \text{ GeV} \leftrightarrow 10^{-15} \text{ m} \quad 10^{19} \text{ GeV} \leftrightarrow 10^{-32} \text{ m}$$

(where **1 GeV** = 10^9 eV \approx mass of proton)

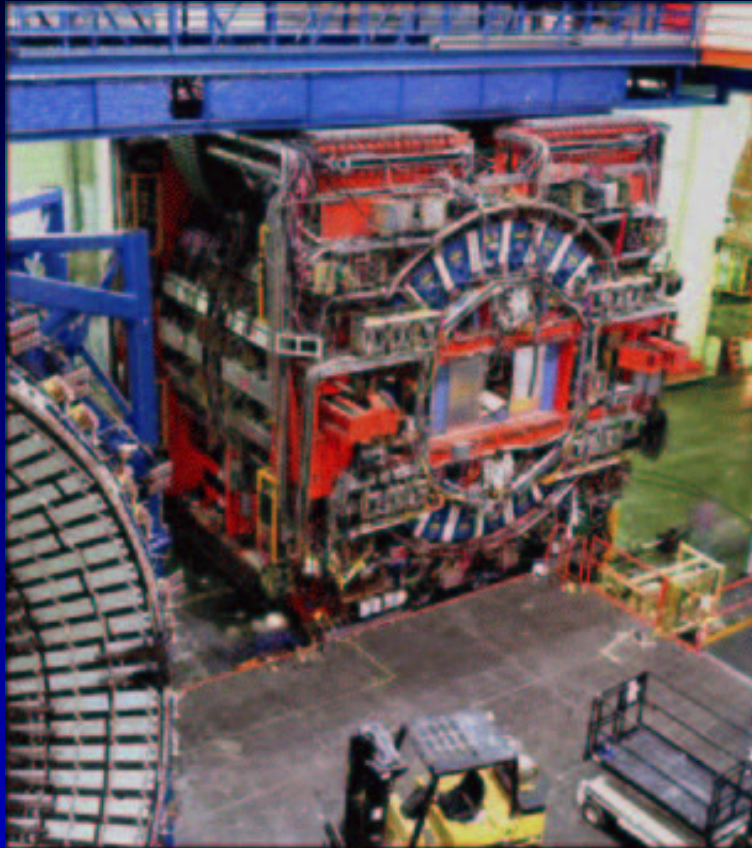
Big Accelerators ...



Collide the Tiniest Particles ...



... as Physicists Watch in Awe



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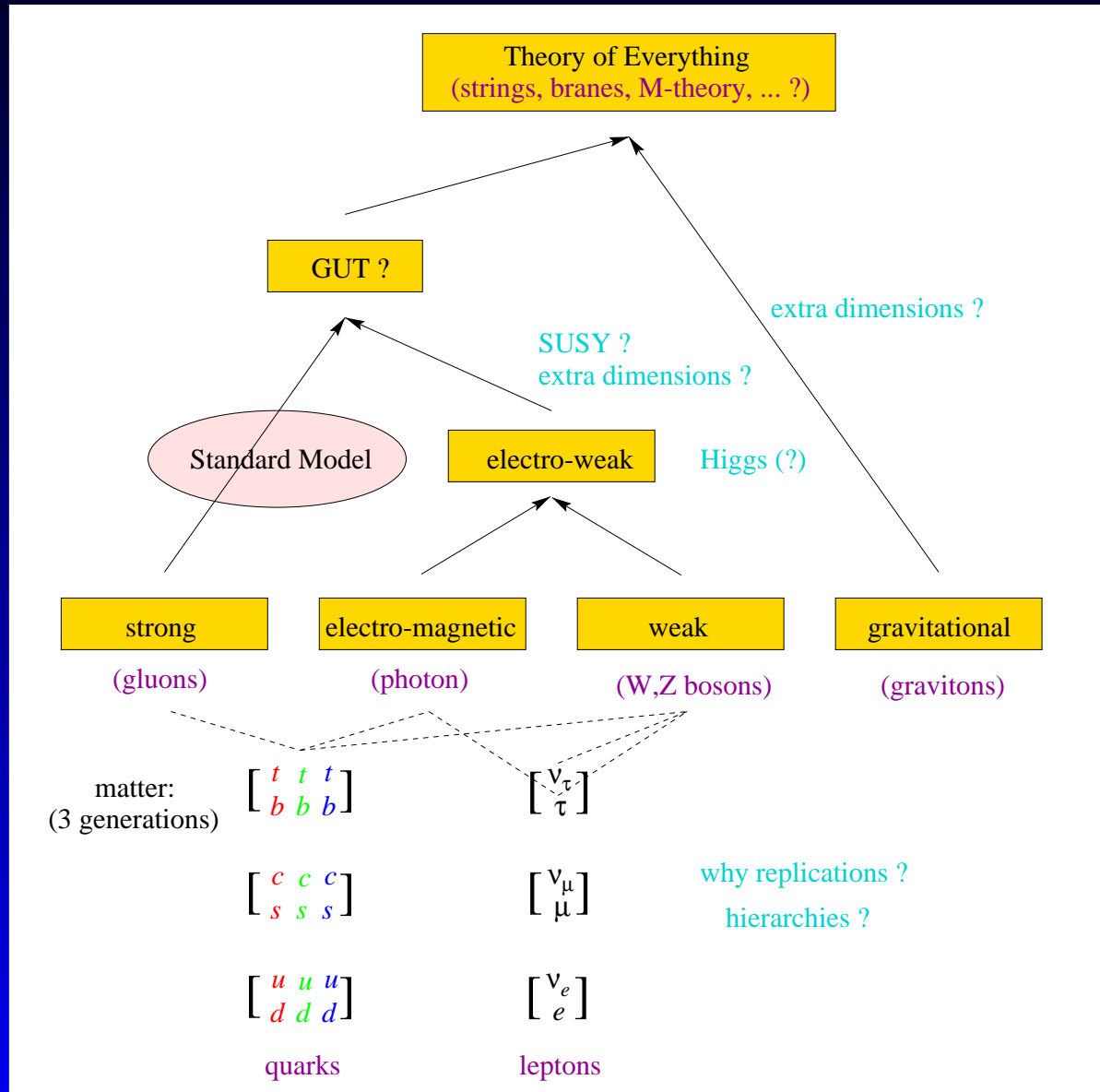
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Anarchy:

An utopian society of individuals who enjoy complete freedom without government

These principles have brought us a long way . . .

Grand Picture



The Puzzle of Flavor

Most of Standard Model parameters are related to the masses and mixings of fermions (Yukawa couplings)

 quark and lepton masses:

$$\begin{array}{llll} m_u \approx 0.004 \text{ GeV} & m_d \approx 0.007 \text{ GeV} & m_e \approx 0.0005 \text{ GeV} & m_{\nu_e} = ? \\ m_c \approx 1.3 \text{ GeV} & m_s \approx 0.2 \text{ GeV} & m_\mu \approx 0.1 \text{ GeV} & m_{\nu_\mu} = ? \\ m_t \approx 170 \text{ GeV} & m_b \approx 4.2 \text{ GeV} & m_\tau \approx 1.8 \text{ GeV} & m_{\nu_\tau} = ? \end{array}$$

for neutrinos: $\Delta m_{\text{atm}}^2 \sim 3 \cdot 10^{-21} \text{ GeV}^2$, $\Delta m_{\text{sol}}^2 \sim 3 \cdot 10^{-23} \text{ GeV}^2$

 why so different ?

 why families, hierarchical patterns ?

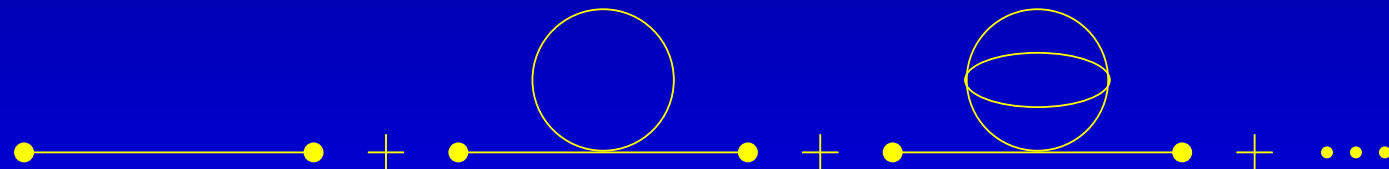
Why Do Light Particles Exist ?

A fundamental theory of elementary particle physics should describe all phenomena until some high energy scale Λ (“cutoff”) larger than all experimentally accessible energies

But:

Relativity + Quantum Mechanics \Rightarrow Quantum Field Theory

In QFT, particles can acquire mass through interactions with “**nothing**” (vacuum):



$$\text{mass} = \text{bare mass} + \text{const} \cdot \Lambda$$

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Theorists Love Symmetries

(and the world needs them)

Gauge Symmetries

Photon (carrier of light) is massless as a consequence of the gauge invariance of Maxwell's theory of electromagnetism

■ gauge transformation:

$$\psi_e(x) \rightarrow e^{i\chi(x)} \psi_e(x), \quad A_\mu(x) \rightarrow A_\mu(x) - \partial_\mu \chi(x)$$

■ mass term $m_\gamma A_\mu(x) A^\mu(x)$ not invariant

$$\Rightarrow \quad m_\gamma = 0 \quad \text{long-range forces}$$

likewise: $m_{\text{gluon}} = 0$ (strong interactions)

Chiral Symmetries

Physics knows the difference between **left** and **right**

- gauge group: $SU_C(3) \otimes SU_L(2) \otimes U_Y(1)$
- weak force (the $SU_L(2)$) acts only on fermions (spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ particles) with left-handed chirality
- mass term $m_f(\bar{f}_L f_R + \bar{f}_R f_L)$ not gauge invariant

$$\Rightarrow m_f = 0 \quad \text{massless fermions}$$

So now we know that all particles are massless...

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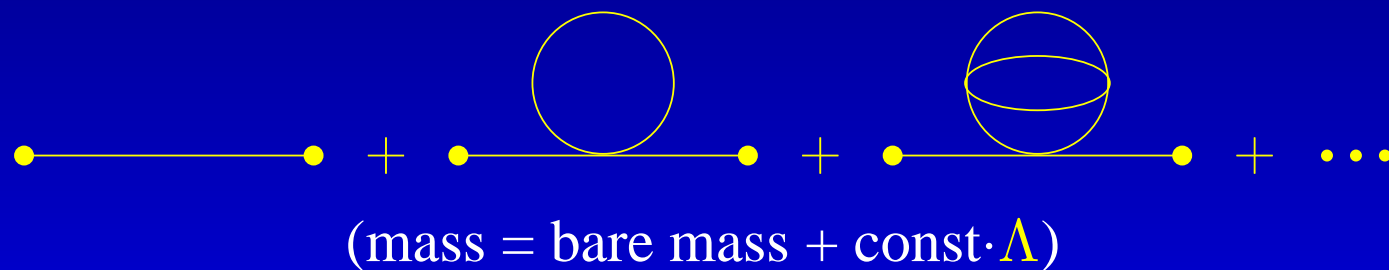
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■ \Rightarrow top quark ($m_t \simeq 170 \text{ GeV}$) is only fermion with a mass of the expected order of magnitude!

Hierarchy Problem

Standard mechanism of electroweak symmetry breaking requires existence of a scalar particle (Higgs boson) with mass $m_H \sim 100$ GeV, but a scalar mass is **not** protected by gauge or chiral symmetries

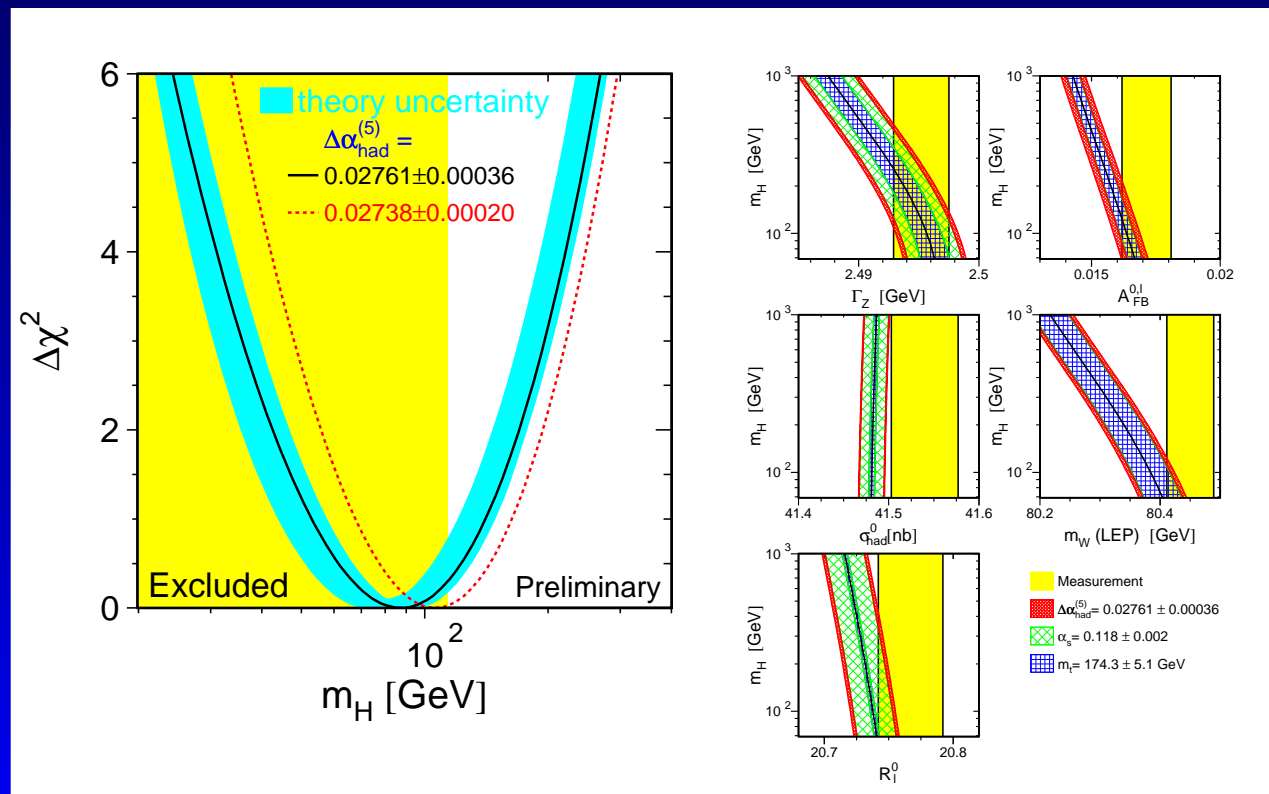
- expect $m_H \sim \Lambda \sim 10^{16}$ GeV, unless we are willing to fine-tune the “bare” Higgs mass against the mass acquired through quantum effects



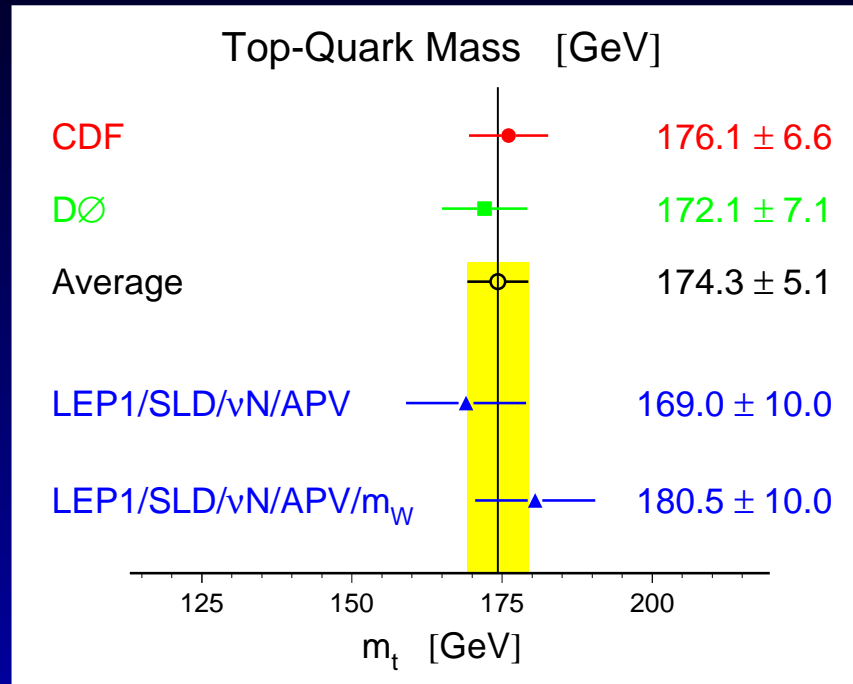
Problem of EWSB: **Why is $m_H \ll \Lambda$?**

The Higgs Story

- Higgs desperately needed to achieve electroweak symmetry breaking
- much evidence for a relatively **light** Higgs from electroweak precision data (LEP+SLD):



This reasoning has worked before ...



... however, as soon as the Higgs is found, the hierarchy problem is born!

Lore:

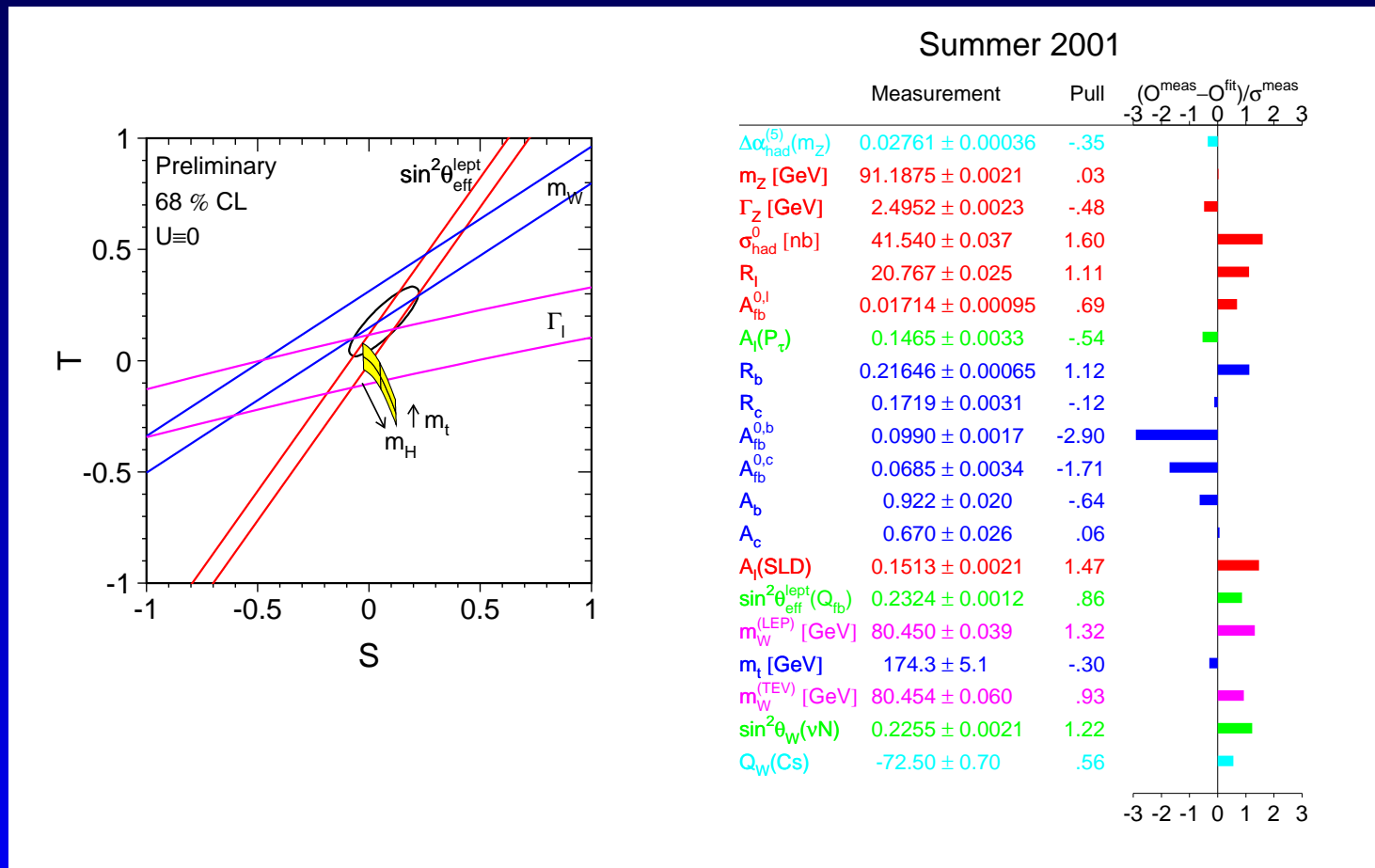
There must be New Physics at or below the TeV scale!

(1 TeV=1000 GeV)

Our Biggest Problem

Although we firmly believe that New Physics is just around the corner, we see no trace of it in the data

Standard Model works too well!



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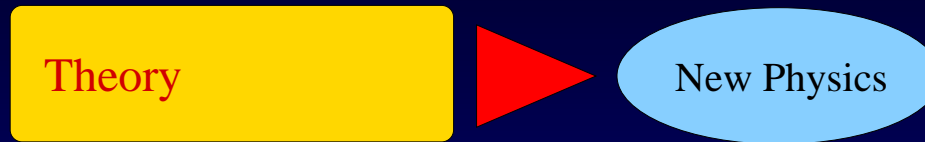
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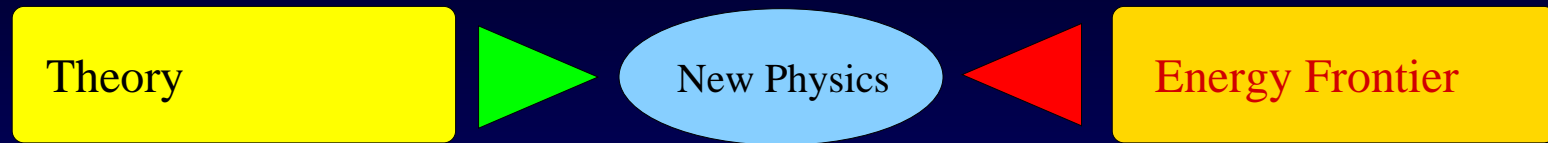


No/little experimental guidance

Examples:

- general relativity
- heavy quarks (Kobayashi–Maskawa)
- SUSY, extra dimensions, strings, ...?

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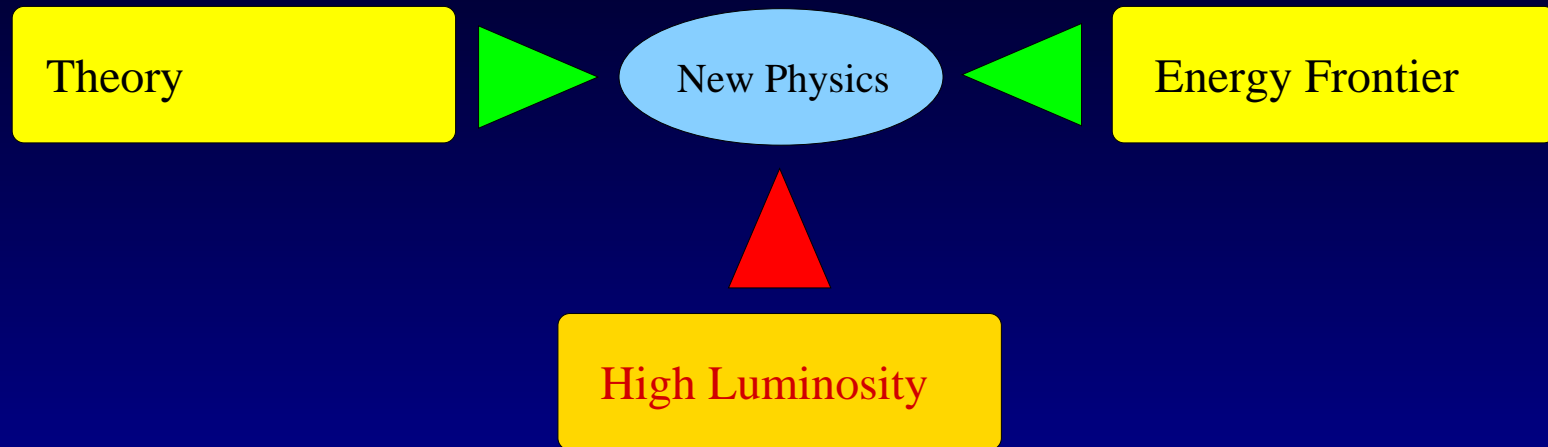


Mass production of new particles

Examples:

- b quarks at CESR, DORIS
- W , Z bosons at LEP
- top quarks at Tevatron
- Higgs bosons, SUSY (s)particles at LHC, LC ?

Finding New Physics



Precision measurements (effects of virtual particles)

Examples:

- charm quark ($K-\bar{K}$ mixing)
- top quark ($B-\bar{B}$ mixing, EW precision data)
- Higgs bosons (EW precision) ?
- SUSY (s)particles ($g - 2$ of muon) ?

Yukawa Couplings

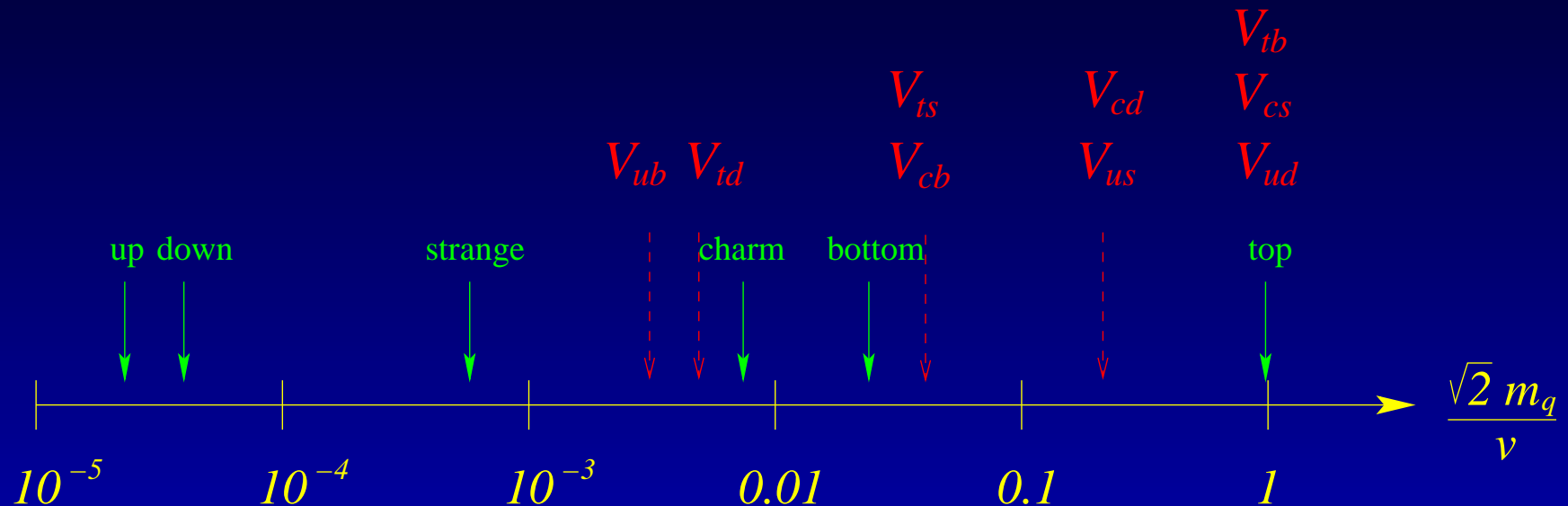
Couplings of **Higgs field** to fundamental fermions (quarks and leptons) determines their masses and flavor-changing interactions ($\langle h^0 \rangle = v/\sqrt{2}$ after EWSB):

$$\mathcal{L}_Y = \sum_{i,j=1}^3 \lambda_d^{ij} \left(h^+ \bar{u}_L^i d_R^j + h^0 \bar{d}_L^i d_R^j \right) + \lambda_u^{ij} \left(h^{0*} \bar{u}_L^i u_R^j - h^- \bar{d}_L^i u_R^j \right) + \text{h.c.}$$

Not all parameters of the complex 3×3 matrices λ_d^{ij} and λ_u^{ij} are observable (field redefinitions)

- difficulty for model building, since Yukawa couplings cannot be derived even with perfect data!

What can be measured are masses and flavor mixings:



Importance of quark flavor mixings (CKM matrix):

- only source of **flavor-changing** interactions in SM
- only source of **CP-violating** interactions in SM

Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa Matrix

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V_{cd} : charm production off d quarks in DIS

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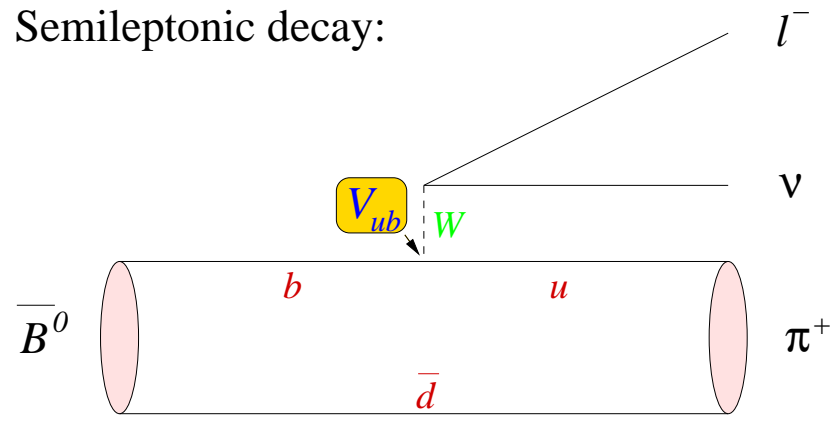
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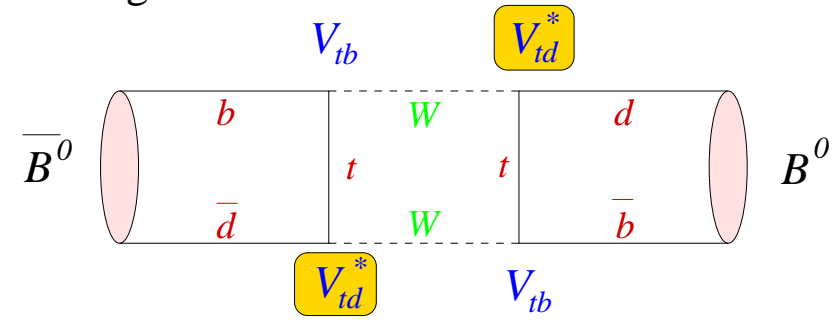
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V_{tb} : top decay, unitarity

Semileptonic decay:



Mixing:



- theoretical uncertainties from quarks \leftrightarrow hadrons binding effects

Wolfenstein Parameterization

Hierarchy of CKM matrix is made explicit by writing:

$$V_{\text{CKM}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{\lambda^2}{2} & \lambda & A\lambda^3(\bar{\rho} - i\bar{\eta}) \\ -\lambda & 1 - \frac{\lambda^2}{2} & A\lambda^2 \\ A\lambda^3(1 - \bar{\rho} - i\bar{\eta}) & -A\lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + O(\lambda^4)$$

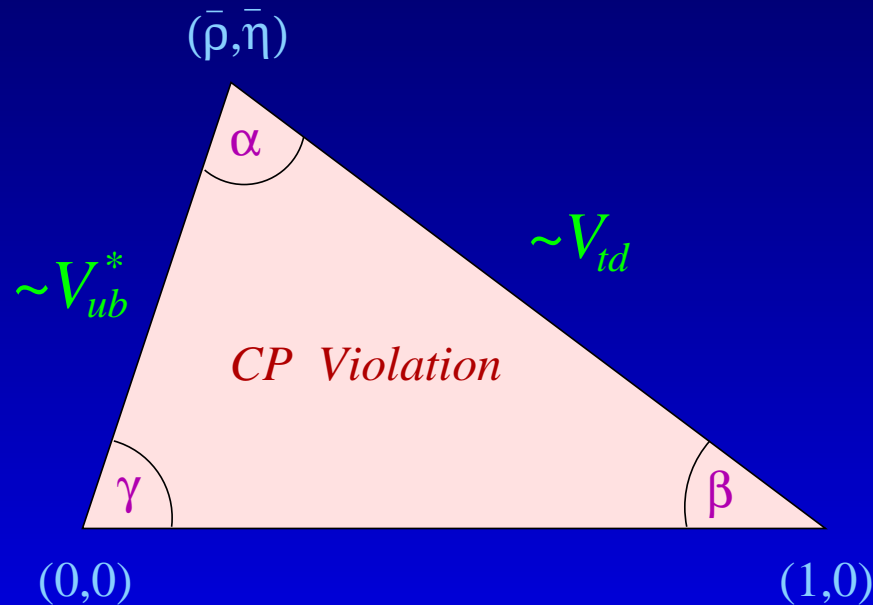
- accurately known: $|V_{us}|$ and $|V_{cb}|$
($\lambda = 0.224 \pm 0.003$ and $A = 0.82 \pm 0.04$)
- more uncertain: $|V_{ub}|$ and $|V_{td}|$ ($\bar{\rho}$ and $\bar{\eta}$)
- with standard phase conventions, complex entries appear in smallest matrix elements (requires ≥ 3 generations) \Rightarrow CP violation!

Unitarity Triangle

Experimental knowledge about smallest entries can be summarized by displaying the unitarity relation

$$V_{ub}^* V_{ud} + V_{cb}^* V_{cd} + V_{tb}^* V_{td} = 0$$

as a triangle in the complex $(\bar{\rho}, \bar{\eta})$ plane:



CP violation results from a non-vanishing **area!**

CP Violation

One of the most intriguing aspects of physics, which links particle physics with cosmology

Microcosmos:

- fundamental difference between the interactions of matter and anti-matter
- microscopic violation of time-reversal invariance (CPT theorem)

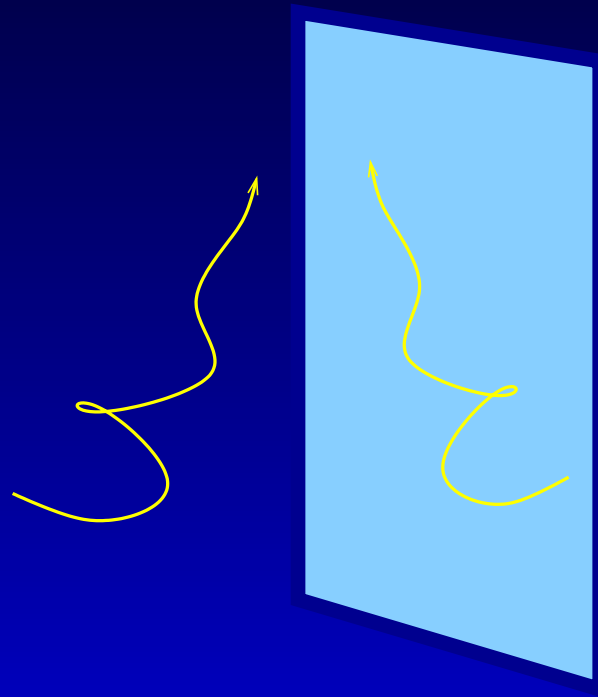
Macrocosmos:

- baryon asymmetry in the Universe \Rightarrow our existence!

What is CP Violation ?

Most interactions in Nature are invariant under **parity**

...



but the weak force differentiates **left** from **right**!

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- Since CP is not conserved, shaking hand with an alien is a safe endeavor ...

Short History of CP violation

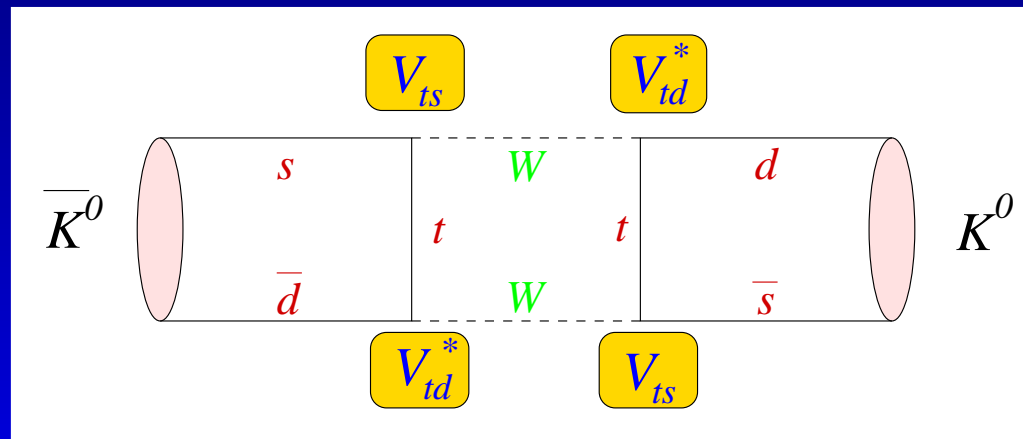
- 1964: CP violation in $K \leftrightarrow \bar{K}$ mixing
(tiny effect: $\epsilon \approx 1.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$)
- 1999: CP violation in $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ decay
(tiny effect: $\epsilon'/\epsilon \approx 1.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$)
- 2001: CP violation in $B, \bar{B} \rightarrow J/\psi K_S$ decay
(large effect: $\sin 2\beta = 0.79 \pm 0.10$)

Pattern of CP violation in **mixing** and **weak decay** of kaons, charm and B mesons is correctly predicted by the SM and reflects the hierarchy of the CKM matrix!

Constraints on the Unitarity Triangle

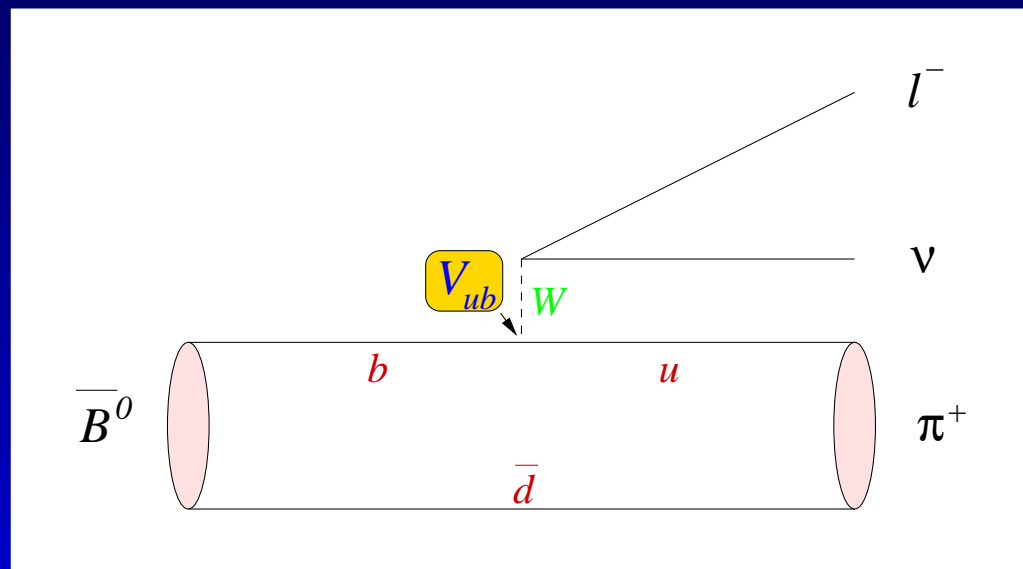
ϵ_K from CP violation in $K-\bar{K}$ mixing:

- due to CP violation, the long-lived strange meson $|K_L\rangle \approx (|K^0\rangle - |\bar{K}^0\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$ is not exactly a CP eigenstate and so can decay into two pions
- ϵ_K is sensitive to $\text{Im}[(V_{td}^* V_{ts})^2]$



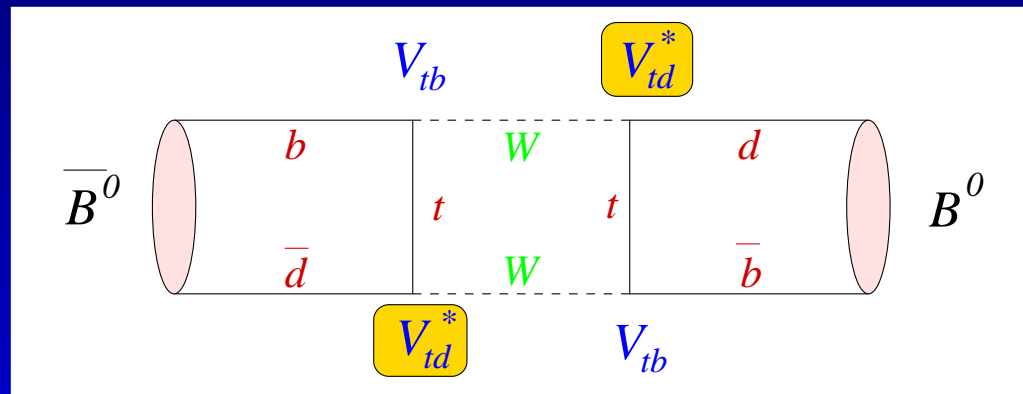
$|V_{ub}/V_{cb}|$ from semileptonic B decays:

- ratio can be measured by comparing semileptonic $b \rightarrow ul\nu$ and $b \rightarrow cl\nu$ decays

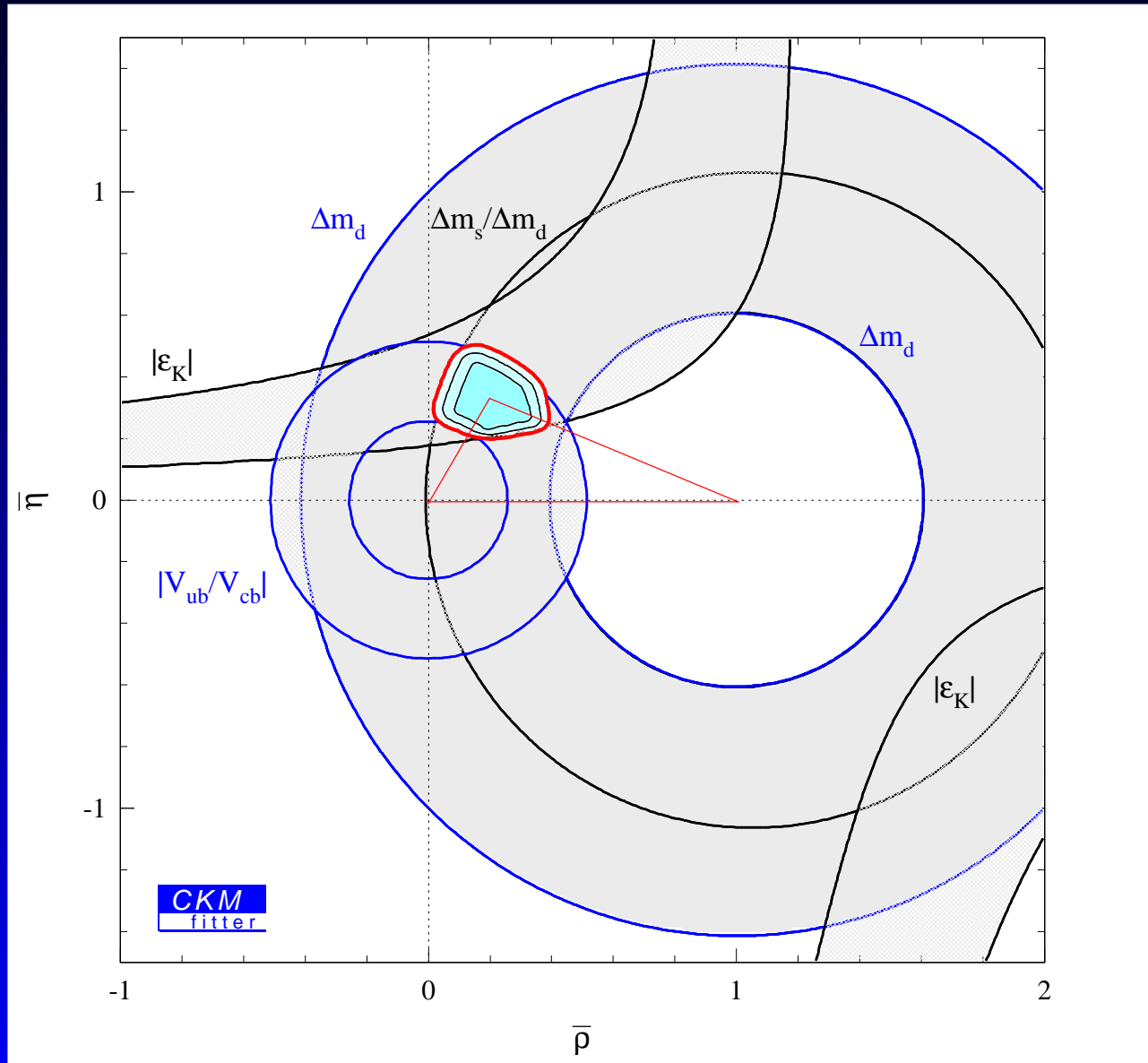


$\Delta m_{d,s}$ from $B_{d,s}-\bar{B}_{d,s}$ mixing:

- $B-\bar{B}$ mixing amplitudes are dominated by virtual production of top quarks
- $\Delta m_{d,s}$ is sensitive to $|V_{td}^* V_{tb}|^2$

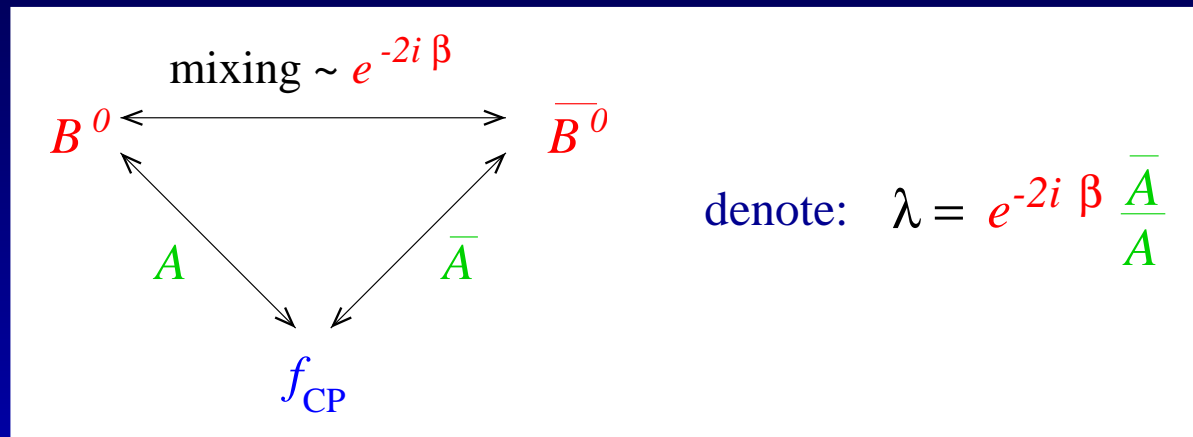


Experimental Results (2000)



Determination of $\sin 2\beta$

In B decays into a CP eigenstate f_{CP} , observable CP asymmetries can arise from the **interference** of the amplitudes for $B-\bar{B}$ mixing and decay:



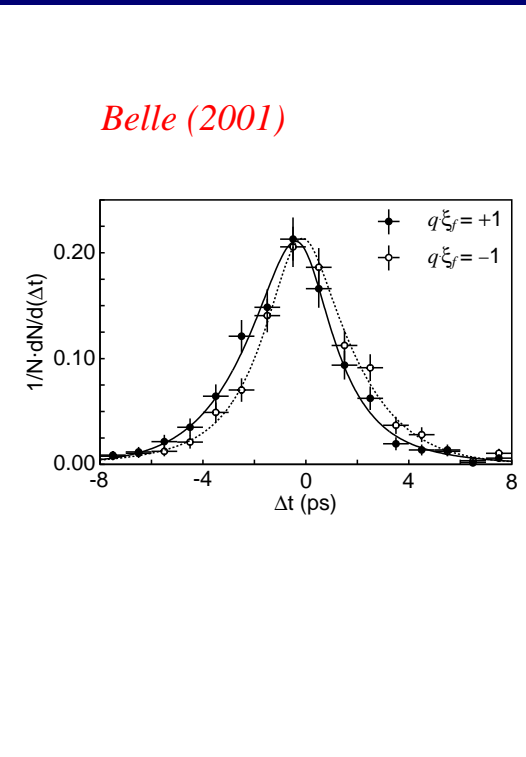
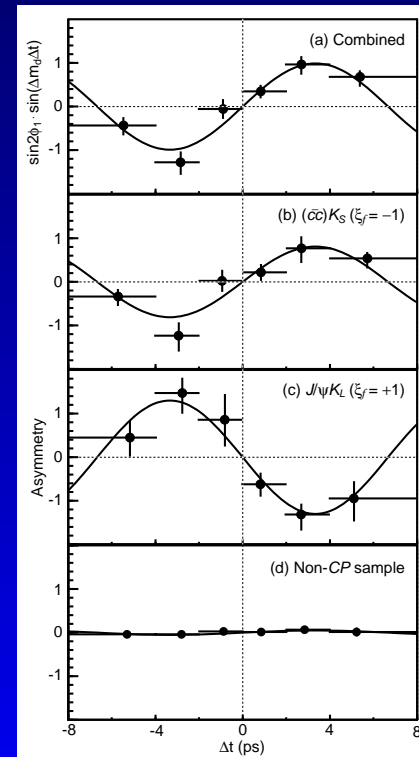
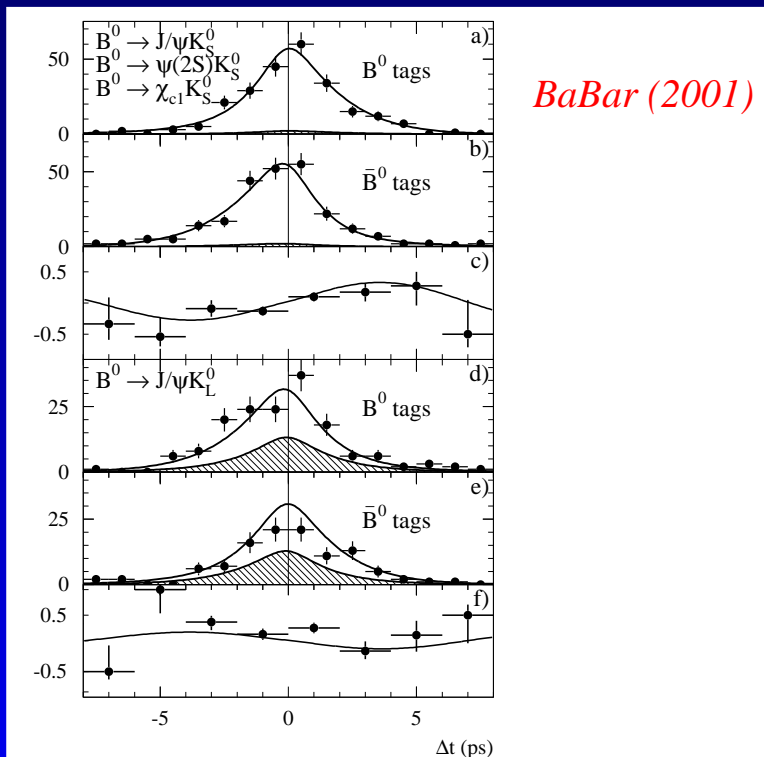
Resulting time-dependent CP asymmetry:

$$A_{\text{CP}}(t) = \frac{\Gamma(\bar{B}^0(t) \rightarrow f_{\text{CP}}) - \Gamma(B^0(t) \rightarrow f_{\text{CP}})}{\Gamma(\bar{B}^0(t) \rightarrow f_{\text{CP}}) + \Gamma(B^0(t) \rightarrow f_{\text{CP}})}$$

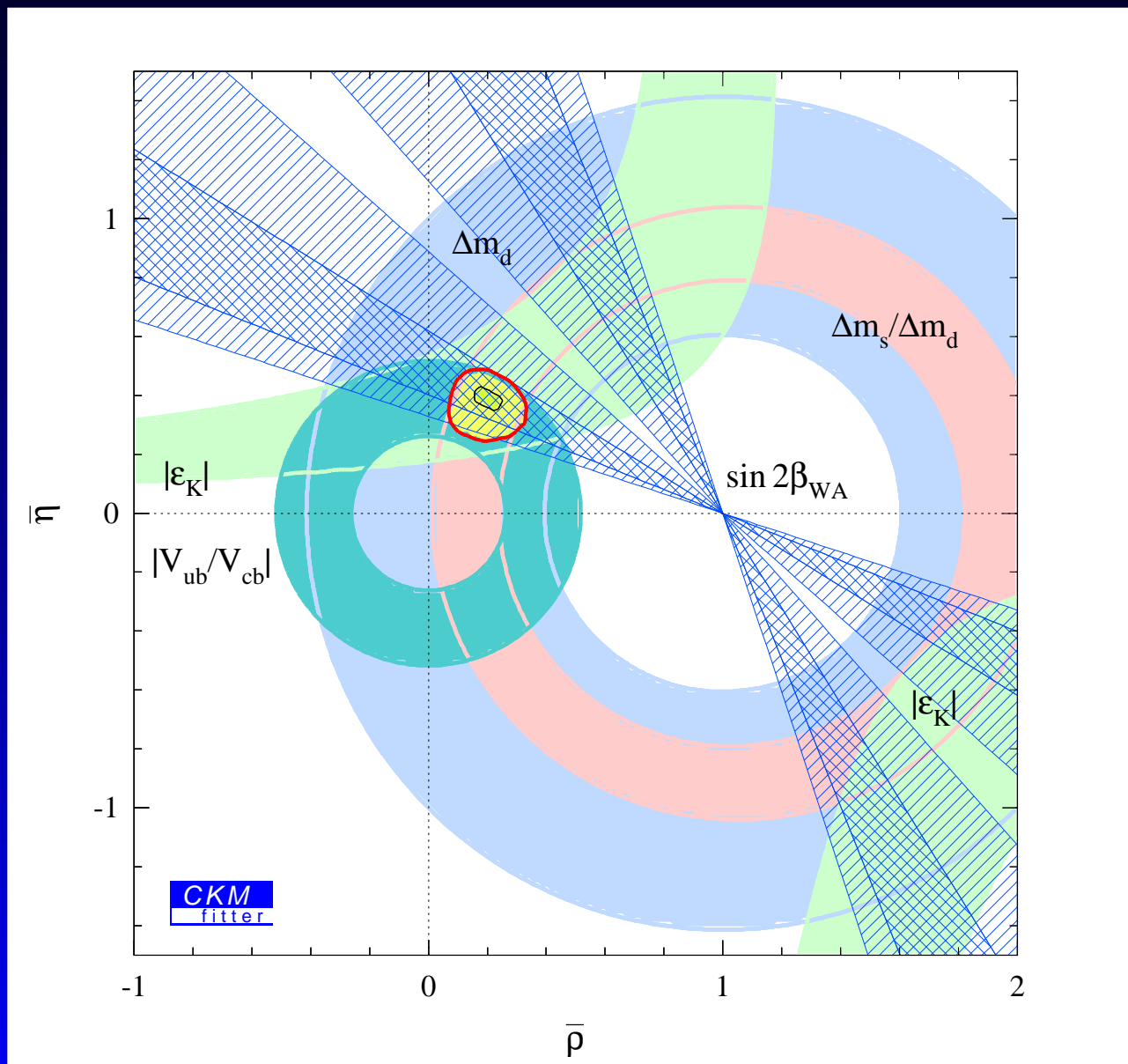
Golden Modes $B \rightarrow J/\psi K$

If the decay amplitude itself is real, a theoretically “clean” measurement of $\sin 2\beta$ can be performed:

$$A_{CP}(t) = \pm \sin 2\beta \cdot \sin(\Delta m_d t)$$



Summary of Constraints (2001)



This has established the existence of a **CP-violating phase** in the top sector ($\text{Im}(V_{td}) \neq 0$)

Results at 95% confidence level:

$$\bar{\rho} = 0.21 \pm 0.12 \quad \bar{\eta} = 0.38 \pm 0.11$$

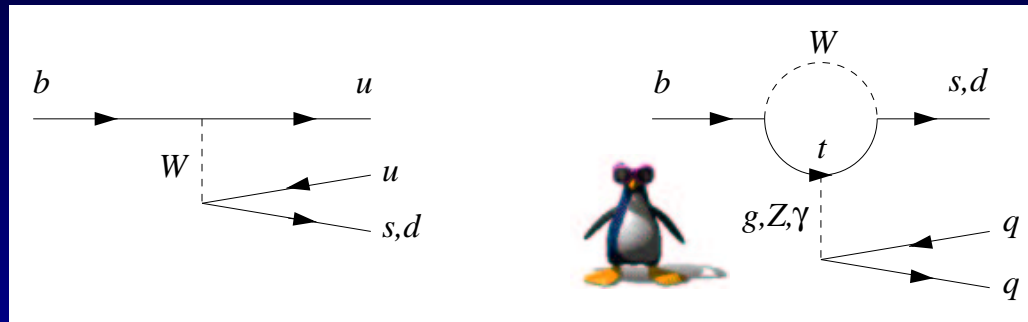
$$\sin 2\beta = 0.74 \pm 0.15 \quad \sin 2\alpha = -0.14 \pm 0.57$$

$$\gamma = 61^\circ \pm 16^\circ$$

- after obtaining a consistent picture of CP violation in the top sector, the next step must be to explore the complex phase $\gamma = \arg(V_{ub}^*)$ in the **bottom sector**

Rare Hadronic B Decays

γ can be probed via the **tree–penguin interference** in rare hadronic decays $B \rightarrow \pi K, \pi\pi, \dots$



	Tree	Penguin	Ratio
$B \rightarrow \pi K$	$V_{ub}V_{us}^* \sim \lambda^4 e^{-i\gamma}$	$V_{tb}V_{ts}^* \sim \lambda^2$	$ T/P \sim 0.2$
$B \rightarrow \pi\pi$	$V_{ub}V_{ud}^* \sim \lambda^3 e^{-i\gamma}$	$V_{tb}V_{td}^* \sim \lambda^3 e^{i\beta}$	$ P/T \sim 0.3$

- information from CP asymmetries ($\sim \sin \gamma$) and CP-averaged branching fractions ($\sim \cos \gamma$)

The Challenge

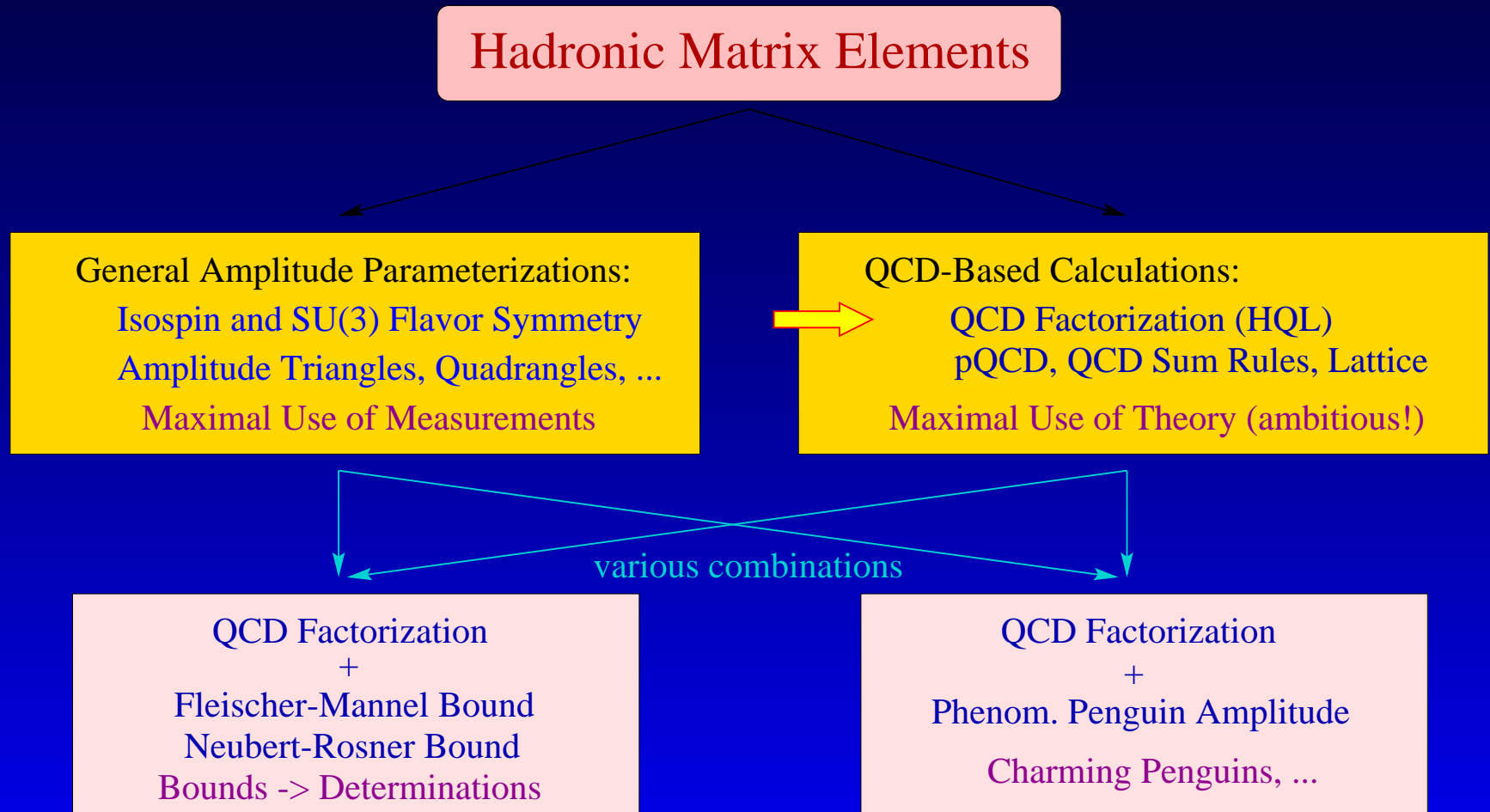
QCD, the marvellous theory of the strong interactions, has a split personality. It explains both “hard” and “soft” phenomena, the softer ones being the hardest.

(Y. Dokshitzer)

high energies (short distances) \Leftrightarrow weak coupling (asymptotic freedom)

low energies (long distances) \Leftrightarrow strong coupling (confinement)

Different strategies exist for determining the relevant hadronic matrix elements:

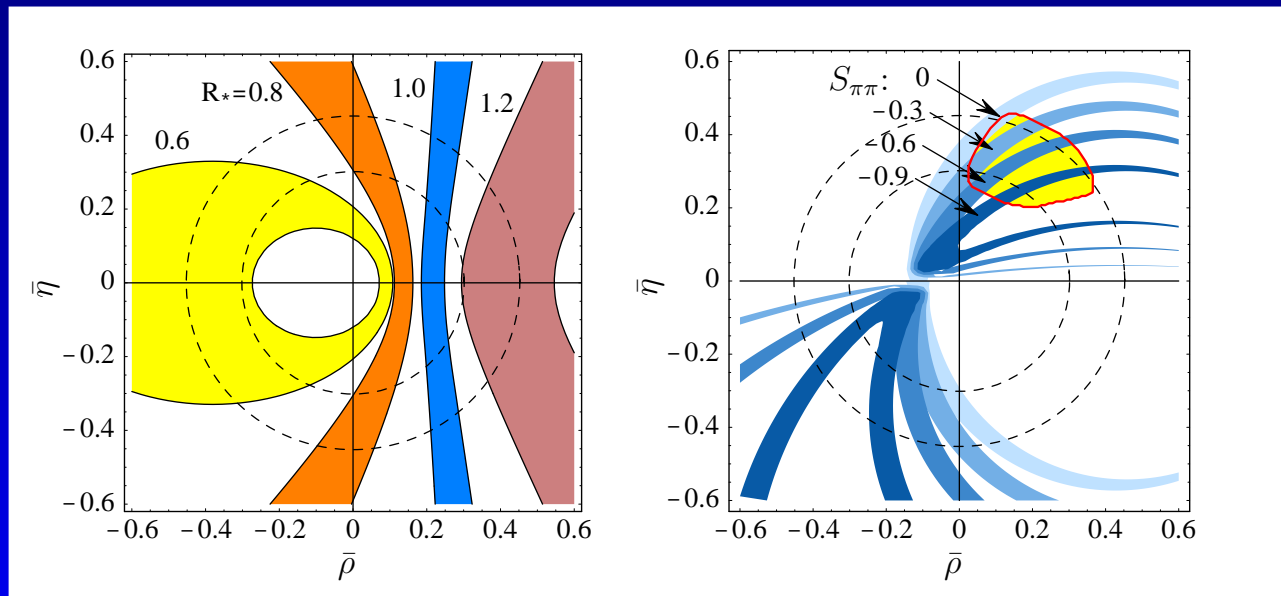


Two Examples

Measurement of

$$R_* = \frac{\Gamma(B^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm K^0)}{2\Gamma(B^\pm \rightarrow \pi^0 K^\pm)},$$

and of the time-dependent CP asymmetry $S_{\pi\pi}$ in $B \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ decays, provide powerful constraints in the $(\bar{\rho}, \bar{\eta})$ plane:

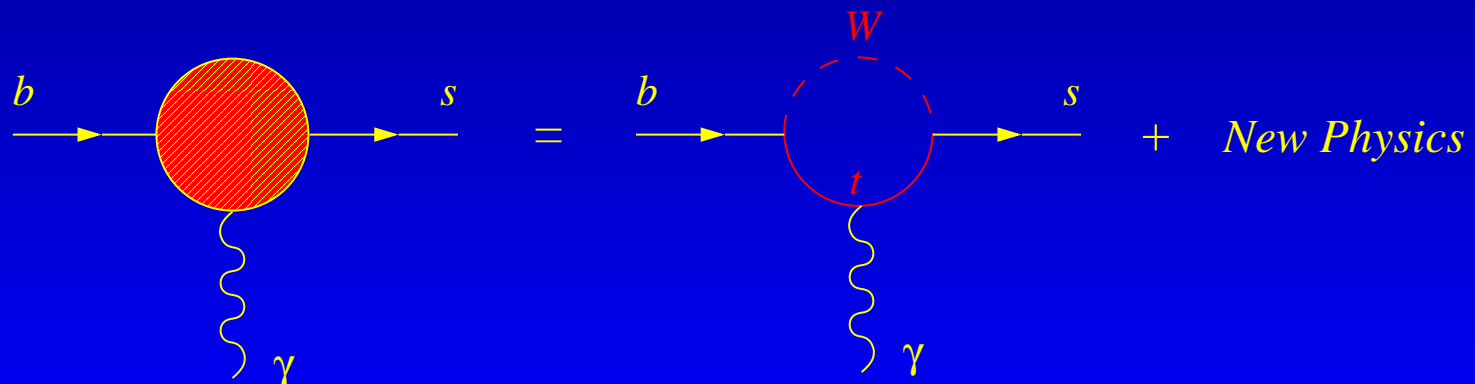


Rare and Forbidden Decays

Systematic study of rare B decays is richer than unitarity triangle physics

- many clean tests for New Physics possible
- processes that are strongly suppressed or forbidden in the Standard Model offer a farther reach than the relatively abundant processes used for CKM physics

Example (a “beautiful candle”):



Rare Decays at Super B-Factories

Selective list of interesting modes:

Decay Mode	Branching Fractions	Hadron Collider Experiments			e^+e^- B-Factories	
		CDF D0 (2 fb^{-1})	BTeV LHC-b (10^7 s)	ATLAS CMS (1 year)	BaBar Belle (0.5 ab^{-1})	Super-BaBar (10 ab^{-1})
$B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$	$(3.3 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-4}$				11K	220K
$B \rightarrow K^* \gamma$	5×10^{-5}	170	25K		1.7K (B tagged)	34K (B tagged)
$B \rightarrow \rho(\omega) \gamma$	2×10^{-6}				6K	120K
$B \rightarrow X_s \mu^+ \mu^-$	$(6.0 \pm 1.5) \times 10^{-6}$		3.6K		300	6K
$B \rightarrow X_s e^+ e^-$					350	7K
$B \rightarrow K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$	$(2 \pm 1) \times 10^{-6}$	60–150	2.2K/4.5K	665/4.2K	120	2.4K
$B \rightarrow K^* e^+ e^-$					150	3K
$B \rightarrow X_s \nu \bar{\nu}$	$(4.1 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-5}$				8	160
$B \rightarrow K^* \bar{\nu}$	5×10^{-6}				1.5	30
$B \rightarrow \tau \nu$	5×10^{-5}				17	350
$B \rightarrow \mu \nu$	1.6×10^{-7}				8	150
$B_d^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$	10^{-7}					
$B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$	10^{-9}	5/1.5–6	5/11	9/7		
$B_d^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$	8×10^{-11}	0/0	1/2	0.7/0.5		
$B^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$	10^{-8}				0.4	8

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