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Status of the EW Theory in the SM and beyond

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Precision Tests

The only appreciable development in this domain is the decrease of the experimental value of m_t from CDF& D0 Run II (Run I value: 178.0±4.3 GeV)



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(LEP-1/2+SLD+Tevatron): m_H < 219 GeV @95% CL.

Overall the EW precision tests support the SM and a light Higgs.

The χ^2 is reasonable:

 χ^2 /ndof~18.6/13 (~14%)

Note: does not include NuTeV, APV, Moeller and $(g-2)_{\mu}$

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The NuTeV anomaly probably simply arises from a large underestimation of the theoretical error

• The QCD LO parton analysis is too crude to match the required accuracy

A small asymmetry in the momentum carried by s-sbar could have a large effect
 NuTeV claims to have measured this asymmetry from dimuons. But a LO analysis of s-sbar makes no sense and cannot be directly transplanted here

 (α_s*valence corrections are large and process dependent)
 A recent CTEQ fit of s-sbar goes in the right direction.

• A tiny violation of isospin symmetry in parton distrib's can also be important.

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There is a persistent discrepancy between the τ and e+edata (after correcting for V-A vs V, isospin rotation...)



 τ decay would indicate no significant deviation, while e+e- -> 2.7 σ (more direct)

Note in passing: The running of α_{QED} has been clearly detected at LEP by OPAL and L3



Question Marks on EW Precision Tests

- The measured values of $\sin^2\theta_{eff}$ from leptonic (A_{LR}) and from hadronic (A^b_{FB}) asymmetries are ~3 σ away
- The measured value of m_w is a bit high (now worse because m_t went down)

• The central value of $m_H (m_H = 91+45-32 \text{ GeV})$ from the fit is close to the direct lower limit ($m_H > 114.4 \text{ GeV}$ at 95%) [more so if $\sin^2\theta_{eff}$ is close to that from leptonic (A_{LR}) asymm. $m_H = 56+34-22 \text{ GeV}$] (worse now than in the past)

A well known issue:

2001: Chanowitz; GA, F. Caravaglios, G. Giudice, P. Gambino, G. Ridolfi

Status of $sin^2\theta_{eff}$

Combined lept. asymm.:

 $[sin^2\theta]_{lept} = 0.23113(21)$

Combined hadr. asymm.:

[sin²θ]_{hadr}=0.23222(27)

diff = 3.2 σ

Essentially the discrepancy is between A_I(SLC) & A_{fb}^{Ob}



Recently the combined value of A^b_{FB} has moved a bit in the wrong direction

Cause: Discovery of omission in ZFITTER of a small 2- loop term for b-quarks

Effect: A^b_{FB} = 0.0998±0.0017 becomes 0.0992±0.0016

The discrepancy $[\sin^2\theta]_{hadr}$ - $[\sin^2\theta]_{lept}$ goes from 2.8 to 3.2 σ

Plot $sin^2\theta_{eff}$ vs m_H

Exp. values are plotted at the m_H point that better fits given m_{texp}

Clearly leptonic and hadronic asymm.s push m_H towards different values



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Plot m_w vs m_H

m_w points to a light Higgs!

Like $[sin^2\theta_{eff}]_I$



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Not a significant indication of a problem

However, since new physics at the EW scale could well be around, one looks with interest at every possible hint

Status of the SM Higgs fit

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Rad Corr.s -> to $\log m_{H}$ $\log_{10}m_{H}(GeV) = 1.96\pm0.18$

This is a great triumph for the SM: right in the narrow allowed window $log_{10}m_{\rm H} \sim 2 - 3$

Direct search: $m_H > 114$ GeV



At 95% cl $m_H < 186$ GeV (rad corr.'s) $m_H < 219$ GeV (incl. direct search bound)

Fit results

Here only m_w and not m_t is used: shows m_t from rad. corr.s

	M _W	m _t	m _W , m _t
m _t (GeV)	179.4±10.6	172.7±2.8	173.3±2.7
m _H (GeV)	148+248-83	112+62-41	91+45-32
log[m _H (GeV)]	2.17±0.39	2.05 ± 0.20	1.96 ± 0.18
$\alpha_{s}(m_{Z})$	0.1190(28)	0.1190 (27)	0.1186 (27)
χ^2/dof	17.3/12	16.0/11	17.8/13
m _W (MeV)	80387(22)	80364(21)	80390(18)

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WA: m_w=80425(34)

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log₁₀m_H ~2 is a very important result!!

Drop H from SM -> renorm. lost -> divergences -> cut-off Λ

 $\log m_{\rm H} \rightarrow \log \Lambda + \text{const}$

Any alternative mechanism amounts to change the prediction of finite terms.

The most sensitive quantities to $\log m_H$ are $\epsilon_1 \sim \Delta \rho$ and ϵ_3 :

log₁₀m_H ~2 means that f_{1,3} are compatible with the SM prediction

New physics can change the bound on m_H (different $f_{1,2}$)



• It is not simple to explain the difference $[\sin^2\theta]_l$ vs $[\sin^2\theta]_h$ in terms of new physics. A modification of the Z->bb vertex (but R_b and A_b(SLD) look ~normal)?

Possibly it arises from an experimental problem

• Then it is very unfortunate because $[sin^2\theta]_I$ vs $[sin^2\theta]_h$ makes the interpretation of precision tests ambigous

Choose $[\sin^2\theta]_h$: bad χ^2 (clashes with m_W , ...) Choose $[\sin^2\theta]_l$: good χ^2 , but m_H below direct limit

A^b_{FB} vs [sin²θ]_{lept}: New physics in Zbb vertex? Unlikely!! (but not impossible->) $A_{FB}^{b} = \frac{3}{4}A_{e}A_{b}$ $A_{f} = \frac{g_{L}^{2} - g_{R}^{2}}{g_{L}^{2} + g_{R}^{2}}$ $g_L = g_V - g_A = -1 + \frac{2}{3}s^2 = -0.846$ For b: $g_R = g_V + g_A = \frac{2}{3}s^2 = 0.154$ $g_L^2 \approx 0.72 >> g_R^2 \approx 0.02$ $(A_b)_{SM} \approx 0.936$

From $A_{FB}^{b}=0.0992\pm0.0016$, using $[sin^{2}\theta]_{lept}=0.23113\pm0.00021$ one obtains $A_{b}=0.881\pm0.014$



The Standard Model works very well

So, why not find the Higgs and declare particle physics solved?

First, you have to find it!

Because of both:



Conceptual problems

- Quantum gravity
- The hierarchy problem

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and experimental clues:

- Coupling unification
- Neutrino masses
- Baryogenesis
- Dark matter
- Vacuum energy

If you take all these clues I think that SUSY is the best known solution (vacuum energy is unsolved by all)

Conceptual problems of the SM

Most clearly: • No quant

- No quantum gravity ($M_{Pl} \sim 10^{19} \text{ GeV}$)
- But a direct extrapolation of the SM leads directly to GUT's (M_{GUT} ~ 10¹⁶ GeV)





- suggests unification with gravity as in superstring theories
- poses the problem of the relation m_w vs M_{GUT}- M_{Pl}

Can the SM be valid up to M_{GUT} - M_{Pl} ?? The hierarchy problem

Not only it looks very unlikely, but the new physics must be near the weakG. Altarell

For the low energy theory: the "little hierarchy" problem: e.g. the top loop (the most pressing): $m_h^2 = m_{bare}^2 + \delta m_h^2$ $\delta m_{h|top}^2 = \frac{3G_F}{\sqrt{2}\pi^2} m_t^2 \Lambda^2 \sim (0.3\Lambda)^2$ h h This hierarchy problem demands $\Lambda \sim o(1 \text{TeV})$ new physics near the weak scale Λ : scale of new physics beyond the SM • $\Lambda >> m_7$: the SM is so good at LEP • $\Lambda \sim$ few times $G_{F}^{-1/2} \sim o(1 \text{ TeV})$ for a natural explanation of m_b or m_w Barbieri, Strumia ^{*}The LEP Paradox: m_h light, new physics must be so close but its effects are not directly visible

Examples:

 SUSY
 Supersymmetry: boson-fermion symm. exact (unrealistic): cancellation of δμ² approximate (possible): Λ ~ m_{SUSY}-m_{ord} →

The most widely accepted

top loop

 $\Lambda \sim m_{stop}$

- The Higgs is a $\overline{\psi}\psi$ condensate. No fund. scalars. But needs new very strong binding force: $\Lambda_{new} \sim 10^3 \Lambda_{QCD}$ (technicolor). Strongly disfavoured by LEP
 - Models where extra symmetries allow m_h only at 2 loops and non pert. regime starts at $\Lambda \sim 10$ TeV "Little Higgs" models. Problems with EW precision tests
 - Large extra spacetime dimensions that bring M_{Pl} down to o(1TeV)

C Exciting. Many facets. Rich potentiality. No baseline model emerged --> Pomarol

SUSY at the Fermi scale

•Many theorists consider SUSY as established at M_{PI} (superstring theory). •Why not try to use it also at low energy to fix some important SM problems. Possible viable models exists: MSSM softly broken with gravity mediation or with gauge messengers or with anomaly mediation •Maximally rewarding for theorists **Degrees of freedom identified** Hamiltonian specified Theory formulated, finite and computable up to M_{Pl} **Unique!** Fully compatible with, actually supported by GUT's G. Altarelli **Good Dark Matter candidates**



So $m_H > 114$ GeV considerably reduces available parameter space.

 In SUSY EW symm.
 breaking is induced by H_u running
 Exact location implies

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constraints



m_z can be expressed in terms of SUSY parameters

For example, assuming universal masses at M_{GUT} for scalars and for gauginos

$$m_Z^2 \approx c_{1/2} m_{1/2}^2 + c_0 m_0^2 + c_t A_t^2 + c_\mu \mu^2$$

$$c_a = c_a(m_t, \alpha_i, ...)$$

Clearly if m_{1/2}, m₀,... >> m_z: Fine tuning!

LEP results (e.g. $m_{\chi^+} > 100$ GeV) exclude gaugino universality if no FT by > 20 times is allowed

Without gaugino univ. the constraint only remains on m_{gluino} and is not incompatible

$$m_Z^2 \approx 0.7 m_{gluino}^2 + \dots$$

Barbieri, Giudice; de Carlos, Casas; Barbieri, Strumia; Kane, King; Kane, Lykken, Nelson, Wang..... [Exp. : m_{gluino} >~200GeV]

Residual FT could be alleviated by going to a non minimal model e.g adding an extra Higgs singlet (NMSSM)

SUSY fits with GUT's

From $\alpha_{QED}(m_Z)$, $sin^2\theta_W$ measured at LEP predict $\alpha_s(m_Z)$ for unification (assuming desert)

EXP: $\alpha_s(m_Z)=0.119\pm0.003$ Present world average •Coupling unification: Precise matching of gauge couplings at M_{GUT} fails in SM and is well compatible in SUSY

Non SUSY GUT's $\alpha_s(m_z)=0.073\pm0.002$

SUSY GUT's $\alpha_{s}(m_{Z}) = 0.130 \pm 0.010$

> Langacker, Polonski Dominant error: thresholds near M_{GUT}

- Proton decay: Far too fast without SUSY
- $M_{GUT} \sim 10^{15} \text{GeV non SUSY} \rightarrow 10^{16} \text{GeV SUSY}$
- Dominant decay: Higgsino exchange

While GUT's and SUSY very well match, (best phenomenological hint for SUSY!) in technicolor , large extra dimensions, little higgs etc., there is no ground for GUT's

EW DATA and New Physics

For an analysis of the LEP data beyond the SM we use the ε formalism GA, R.Barbieri, F.Caravaglios, S. Jadach

One introduces ε_1 , ε_2 , ε_3 , ε_b such that:

• Focus on pure weak rad. correct's, i.e. vanish in limit of tree level SM + pure QED and/or QCD correct's [a good first approximation to the data]



Can be measured from the data with no reference to m_t and m_H (as opposed to S, T, U -> $\epsilon_3 \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2$) G. Altarelli

One starts from a set of defining observables:



$$O_{i}[\varepsilon_{k}] = O_{i}^{"Born"}[1 + A_{ik}\varepsilon_{k} + \dots]$$

 $\begin{array}{ll} O_{i}^{"Born"} \text{ includes pure QED and/or QCD corr's.} \\ A_{ik} \text{ is independent of } m_{t} \text{ and } m_{H} \\ Assuming \text{ lepton universality: } \Gamma_{\mu}, A^{\mu}{}_{FB} \dashrightarrow \Gamma_{I}, A^{I}{}_{FB} \\ G. \text{ Altarelli} & To \text{ test lepton-hadron universality one can add} \\ \Gamma_{Z}, \sigma_{h}, R_{I} \text{ to } \Gamma_{I} \text{ etc.} \end{array}$

The EWWG gives (summer '05):

 $\epsilon_1 = 5.4 \pm 1.0 \ 10^{-3}$ $\epsilon_2 = -8.5 \pm 1.2 \ 10^{-3}$ $\epsilon_3 = 5.34 \pm 0.94 \ 10^{-3}$ $\epsilon_b = -5.0 \pm 1.6 \ 10^{-3}$

Non-degenerate much larger shift of \mathcal{E}_1

For comparison:

a mass degenerate fermion multiplet gives

$$\Delta \varepsilon_3 = N_C \frac{G_F m_W^2}{8\pi^2 \sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{4}{3} [T_{3L} - T_{3R}]^2$$

For each member of the multiplet

One chiral quark doublet (either L or R):

 $\Delta \varepsilon_{3} = + 1.4 \ 10^{-3}$

(Note that \mathcal{E}_3 if anything is low!)



MSSM:
$$m_{\tilde{eL}} = 96-300 \text{ GeV}, m_{\chi^-} = 105-300 \text{ GeV},$$

 $\mu = (-1)-(+1) \text{ TeV}, \text{ tg}\beta = 10, m_h = 114 \text{ GeV},$
 $m_A = m_{\tilde{eR}} = m_{\tilde{q}} = 1 \text{ TeV}$

Units: 10-3





Light SUSY is compatible with $(g-2)_{\mu}$

Typically at large tgβ:

OK for e.g. $tan\beta \sim 4$, $m\chi + \sim m \sim 140$ GeV

Light s-leptons and gauginos predict a deviation!





Recent:

However, LEP2 data do not support the virtual effects of light SUSY Marandella, Shappacher, Strumia

When including LEP2: $\epsilon 1, \epsilon 2, \epsilon 3 \rightarrow \hat{S}, \hat{T}, W, Y$

Barbieri, Pomarol, Rattazzi, Strumia



A 1.7 σ excess in the hadronic cross-section at LEP2



Virtual light SUSY effects would go in the opposite direction. But this effect looks too large to be a virtual SUSY effect (a 2% effect is like increasing α_s by a factor 1.5)



A very natural and appealing explanation:

v's are nearly massless because they are Majorana particles and get masses through L non conserving interactions suppressed by a large scale $M \sim M_{GUT}$

m _v ~	m^2 $m \sim m_t \sim v \sim 200 \text{ GeV}$ MM: scale of L non cons.	
Note:	$m_v \sim (\Delta m_{atm}^2)^{1/2} \sim 0.05 \text{ eV}$	
	$m \sim V \sim 200 \text{ GeV}$ M ~ 10 ¹⁵ GeV	

Neutrino masses are a probe of physics at M_{GUT} !

Neutrino masses point to M_{GUT}, well fit into the SUSY-GUT's picture:



indeed add considerable support to this idea.

Technicolor, Little Higgs, Extra dim....: nearby cut-off. Problem of suppressing

$$O_5 = \mathbf{v}_L^T \frac{\lambda}{M} \mathbf{v}_L H H$$

Another big plus of neutrinos is the elegant picture of baryogenesis thru leptogenesis , (after LEP has disfavoured BG at the weak scale) **Baryogenesis** A most attractive possibility: BG via Leptogenesis near the GUT scale $T \sim 10^{12\pm3}$ GeV (after inflation) Buchmuller, Yanagida, Plumacher, Ellis, Lola, Only survives if Δ (B-L)is not zero Giudice et al, Fujii et al (otherwise is washed out at T_{ew} by instantons) Main candidate: decay of lightest v_{R} (M~10¹² GeV) L non conserv. in v_{R} out-of-equilibrium decay: B-L excess survives at T_{ew} and gives the obs. B asymmetry. Quantitative studies confirm that the range of m_i from v oscill's is compatible with BG via (thermal) LG In particular the bound $m_i < 10^{-1} eV$ was derived for hierarchy Buchmuller, Di Bari, Plumacher; Can be relaxed for degenerate neutrinos Giudice et al; Pilaftsis et al; So fully compatible with oscill'n data!! Hambye et al



Most Dark Matter is Cold (non relativistic at freeze out) Significant Hot Dark matter is disfavoured Neutrinos are not much cosmo-relevant: $\Omega_v < 0.015$ (WMAP)

SUSY has excellent DM candidates: Neutralinos (--> LHC) Also Axions are still viable (in a mass window around m ~ 10⁻⁴ eV and f_a ~ 10¹¹ GeV but these values are simply a-posteriori)

Identification of Dark Matter is a task of enormous importance for particle physics and cosmology

LHC?



LHC has good chances because it can reach any kind of WIMP:

WIMP: weakly interacting particle with $m \sim 10^{1}-10^{3}$ GeV

For WIMP's in thermal equilibrium after inflation the density is:

$$\Omega_{\chi} h^2 \simeq const. \cdot \frac{T_0^3}{M_{\rm Pl}^3 \langle \sigma_A v \rangle} \simeq \frac{0.1 \ {\rm pb} \cdot c}{\langle \sigma_A v \rangle}$$

can work for typical weak cross-sections!!!

This "coincidence" is a good indication in favour of a WIMP explanation of Dark Matter

SUSY Dark Matter: we hope it is the neutralino



Search for neutralinos



EGRET excess of diffuse gamma rays is compatible with neutralino Dark Matter

De Boer; De Boer, Herold, Sander, Zhukov



The excess is compatible with neutralinos: $m_{\chi} \sim 50-100$ GeV, $m_0 \sim 1400$ GeV, $m_{1/2} \sim 180$ GeV, $tg\beta \sim 50$





The scale of the cosmological constant is a big mystery. $\Omega_{\Lambda} \sim 0.65 \longrightarrow \rho_{\Lambda} \sim (2 \ 10^{-3} \ eV)^4 \sim (0.1 \ mm)^{-4}$ In Quantum Field Theory: $\rho_{\Lambda} \sim (\Lambda_{cutoff})^4$ Similar to m_v !? If $\Lambda_{cutoff} \sim M_{Pl} \longrightarrow \rho_{\Lambda} \sim 10^{123} \ \rho_{obs}$ Exact SUSY would solve the problem: $\rho_{\Lambda} = 0$ But SUSY is broken: $\rho_{\Lambda} \sim (\Lambda_{SUSY})^4 \sim 10^{59} \ \rho_{obs}$ It is interesting that the correct order is $(\rho_{\Lambda})^{1/4} \sim (\Lambda_{FW})^2/M_{Pl}$



Quintessence: the cosmological "constant" is actually a vev of a scalar field ϕ which evolves towards the minimum

Could explain smallness, but not "why now?"

To have $\rho_m / \rho_\Lambda \sim o(1)$ now means $\rho / \rho_\Lambda \sim 10^9$ at recombination

For radiation: $\rho \sim R^{-4} \sim T^4$ For matter: $\rho_m \sim R^{-3} \sim T^3$ For const. $\Lambda : \rho_\Lambda \sim \text{constant}$

A coupling of v's to Quintessence could explain "why now?" Fardon, Nelson, Weiner; Peccei....

The Majorana mass M of v_R could be M(ϕ) and the combined evolution could explain "why now?"

But: ad hoc potentials and energy scales

A new approach: introduce light v_R 's coupled to ϕ PGB. Explain $\Lambda \sim (m_v)^4$, but smallness of m_v unexplained Barbieri, Hall, Oliver, Strumia

The scale of vacuum energy poses a large naturalness problem!

So far no clear way out:

- A modification of gravity? (extra dim.)
- Leak of vac. energy to other universes (wormholes)?

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- Perhaps naturality irrelevant
- Anthropic principle: just right for galaxy formation (Weinberg)

Perhaps naturality irrelevant also for Higgs: Arkani-Hamed, Dimopoulos; Giudice, Romanino '04, **String Th. Landascapes** '05

Split SUSY: a fine tuned light Higgs + light gauginos and higgsinos. all other s-partners heavy (a new scale) preserves coupling unification and dark matter

But then also a two-scale non-SUSY GUT with axions as DM G. Altarelli Normal SUSY, no SUSY, split SUSY? LHC will tell

An April 1st joke?

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Supersplit Supersymmetry

The SM

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The possible existence of an exponentially large number of vacua in string theory behooves one to consider possibilities beyond our traditional notions of naturalness. Such an approach to electroweak physics was recently used in "Split Supersymmetry", a model which shares some successes and cures some ills of traditional weak-scale supersymmetry by raising the masses of scalar superpartners significantly above a TeV. Here we suggest an extension - we raise, in addition to the scalars, the gaugino and higgsino masses to much higher scales. In addition to maintaining many of the successes of Split Supersymmetry - electroweak precision, flavor-changing neutral currents and CP violation, dimension-4 and 5 proton decay - the model also allows for natural Planck-scale supersymmetry breaking, solves the gluino-decay problem, and resolves the coincidence problem with respect to gaugino and Higgs masses. The lack of unification of couplings suggests a natural solution to possible problems from dimension-6 proton decay. While this model has no weak-scale dark matter candidate, a Peccei-Quinn axion or small black holes can be consistently incorporated in this framework.



Note added: While this work was being completed, we became aware of [18, 19, 20], a series of conference talks where a similar model was considered. While there are some similarities (specifically, field content and interactions), the philosophy is completely unrelated.

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- [19] A. Salam, "Gauge Unification of Fundamental Forces," Nobel Lecture, Dec 8, 1979.
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Summarizing

- SUSY remains the Standard Way beyond the SM
- What is unique of SUSY is that it works up to GUT's . GUT's are part of our culture! Coupling unification, neutrino masses, dark matter, give important support to SUSY
- It is true that one expected SUSY discovery at LEP (this is why there is a revival of alternative model building and of anthropic conjectures: see the talk by Arkani-Hamed)
- No compelling, realistic alternative so far developed (not an argument! But...see the talk by Pomarol)
- Extra dim.s is a complex, rich, attractive, exciting possibility.
- Little Higgs models look as just a postponement
 G. Altarelli (both interesting to pursue)
 Get the LHC ready fast; we badly need exp input!!!