

KSETA-Course: Accelelerator-Based Particle Physics

Electroweak Physics



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Elektromagnetic Interaction & CC



Electromagnetic Interaction (Fermion with charge e)



Charged Current: V-A structure

$$\mathcal{L}_{cc} = \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \left[J_{\mu}^{+CC} W^{\mu-} + J_{\mu}^{-CC} W^{\mu+} \right]$$

ξw

quark mixing

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CC for quarks

$$J_{\mu}^{+CC} = (\bar{u}, \bar{c}, \bar{t}) \gamma_{\mu} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma_5) V_{CKM} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

NC & Selfcoupling





(I_3^f third component of isospin, q^f fermion charge)

• Selfcouplings of gauge bosons: only WW γ , WWZ $\mathcal{L}_{WW\gamma} = -ie \Big[A_{\mu} (W^{-\mu\nu} W_{\nu}^{+} - W^{+\mu\nu} W_{\nu}^{-}) + F_{\mu\nu} W^{+\mu} W^{-\nu} \Big]$ $\mathcal{L}_{WWZ} = -ie \cot \vartheta_{w} \Big[Z_{\mu} (W^{-\mu\nu} W_{\nu}^{+} - W^{+\mu\nu} W_{\nu}^{-}) + Z_{\mu\nu} W^{+\mu} W^{-\nu} \Big]$

+quartic couplings WWWW, WWZZ, WWZγ, WWγγ

Cross Section



- Resonant (s-channel-) production von Z-bosons in e⁺e⁻-scattering
 - Photon and Z-boson: identical quantum numbers $(J^P = 1^-) \rightarrow interference$
 - Matrix-element:



- cross section: $\sigma(e^+e^- \to f\bar{f}) = \sigma_{\gamma^*} + \sigma_{\gamma^*/Z} + \sigma_Z$
- $\sqrt{s} \ll m_Z$: photon exchange dominant \rightarrow simple QED
- $\sqrt{s} \simeq m_Z$: Z-boson-exchange dominant, photon- and interferenceterm negligible

Widh of the Z-Resonance



- Z = unstable particle
 - finite lifetime τ_z
 → decaywidth Γ_z = 1/τ_z
 ("smeared" mass)
 - modified propagator
- Decay width
 - sum of partial decay widths ("partial widths")
 - for $\sqrt{s} \simeq m_Z$:

$$\Gamma_Z = \sum_f \Gamma_f = \sum_{q=u,d,s,c,b} \Gamma_q + \sum_{\ell=e,\mu,\tau} \Gamma_\ell + \sum_{\nu=\nu_e,\nu_\mu,\nu_\tau} \Gamma_\nu$$

in leading order:

$$\Gamma_{f} = N_{C}^{f} \frac{G_{F} m_{Z}^{3}}{6\sqrt{2}\pi} \left[(g_{V}^{f})^{2} + (g_{A}^{f})^{2} \right]$$



Number of light neutrinos





• Compare different cross sections to find Γ_{inv} from Γ_{z} and other f

$$\frac{\Gamma_{inv}}{\Gamma_e} \equiv R_{inv}^0 = \frac{\Gamma_Z}{\Gamma_e} - 3 - R_e^0 = \sqrt{\frac{12\pi}{m_Z^2} \cdot \frac{R_e^0}{\sigma_{had}^0}} - 3 - R_e^0$$

• Divide Γ_{inv} by Γ_{v} derived from theory

 $=> N_v = 2.9840(82)$

Number of neutrinos in pictures





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$\sqrt{s} \ll m_z$: differential Xsec



 $\sqrt{s} \ll m_z$: photon exchange (pure QED)

helicities: photon \Rightarrow spin 1



$\sqrt{s} \ll m_z$: Angular Distribution

- Before LEP: measurements at PETRA (DESY) → first deviations from pure QED
- LEP: γ*/Z-interference und Z central physics topic







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LEP: $\sqrt{s} = m_z \pm 2 \text{ GeV}$

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Asymmetries

- Generic definition of an asymmetry: Partition a dataset into two parts $X, Y \rightarrow A = \frac{X - Y}{X + Y}$
- Why asymmetries?
 - Asymmetries = Ratios, not absolute rates
 - Backgrounds and systematic effects on numerator/denominator equal or similar
 - \rightarrow Reduction of uncertainties due to cancellations
 - Increased sensitivity to small differences



Differential Cross Section



Angular distribution for Z exchange:

$$\rightarrow 4 \text{ helicities (using } g_R = g_V + g_A, g_L = g_V - g_A)$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_f}{d\cos\theta} \sim (g_L^{e})^2 (g_L^{f})(1 + \cos\theta)^2$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_f}{d\cos\theta} \sim (g_L^{e})^2 (g_R^{f})(1 - \cos\theta)^2$$

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$$\frac{d\sigma_f}{d\cos\theta} \sim (g_R^{e})^2 (g_L^{f})(1 - \cos\theta)^2$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d\sigma_f}{d\cos\theta} \sim (g_R^{e})^2 (g_L^{f})(1 - \cos\theta)^2$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d\sigma_f}{d\cos\theta} = \frac{3}{8} \sigma_f [(1 + \cos^2\theta) + 2A_eA_f\cos\theta]$$

$$A_f = \frac{(g_L^{f})^2 - (g_R^{f})^2}{(g_L^{f})^2 + (g_R^{f})^2} = 2 \frac{g_V^{f}/g_A^{f}}{1 + (g_A^{f})^2}$$

Forward-Backward-Asymmetry















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- Lepton final states preferred for low backgrounds, precise reco
- Learn about proton structure (See other lecture)
- Unknown initial state complicates studies of EWK physics

Weak mixing angle



- Drell-Yan-Prozess: $qq \rightarrow \gamma^*/Z \rightarrow ff$
 - Standard model: relative couplings of fermions to γ/Z given by $\sin^2 \theta^f_{W,eff} = \frac{3}{2q^f} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \frac{9}{V} \\ 1 \frac{9}{g} \\ g_A^f \end{pmatrix}$
 - Assumption: differential cross section and PDFs known \rightarrow Extraktion von sin² $\theta^{f}_{W,eff}$
 - Tricky: which direction did the quark/antiquark come from?
- Simulatenous maximum-likelihood-fit to
- Lepton pair mass M(µµ)
 (= partonic center of mass energy)
 - A_{FB}(Collins-Soper-frame)



Weak Mixing Angle





CMS-results:

CMS-SMP-16-007

 $\sin^2 \theta^{f}_{W,eff} = 0.23101 \pm 0.00052$

- consistent with LEP- resultat (sin² $\theta^{f}_{W,eff} = 0.23153 \pm 0.00016$)
- uncertainty: 0.2% (LEP: 0.07%)

Systematic uncertainties:

=> reduce effect of PDF uncertainty by simultaneous fit

Measuring the W-mass



- electroweak theory predicts
 - Connection of W- and Z-mass by the weak mixing angle

$$m_W^2 = \frac{g^2 v^2}{4}, \quad m_Z^2 = \frac{v^2}{4} (g^2 + g'^2) \quad \rightarrow \quad \rho_0 = \frac{m_W^2}{m_Z^2 \cos \theta_W} = 1$$

 Connection with Top-quarks and Higgs-Boson masses through loop diagram , i.e. "self-energy" of W and Z



Measuring the W-mass

- Looking for indirect effect needs highest precision
 - Z-mass: extremely precise measurements at LEP (uncertainty: 2.10⁻⁵)
 - W-mass: LEP + Tevatron
 - Prediction of Top-quark mass before discovery
 - bounds on allowed Higgsboson masses before discovery

vgl. Tevatron (2012): mt = 173.2 ± 0.9 GeV



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√s (GeV)

W-pair creation at LEP-II

- LEP-II: passes kinematic **Threshold for W-boson-pair** creation
- Feynman-diagrams (Born)
 - TGC: γWW und ZWW





30 σ_{WW} (pb) LEP 20 10 YFSWW/RacoonWW no ZWW vertex (Gentle) only v exchange (Gentle) 0 160 180 200

[arXiv:1302.3415]

Cross section: $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-$



W-Mass at Hadron-Colliders

- Start the reconstruction with lepton
 - Isolated leptons with high transverse momentum → suppress multijet background
 - Prototype for many high-p_T-analyses at hadron-colliders
 - Additional hadronic activity
 → recoil against W
- Observable: transverse mass

$$m_T^2 = (E_T^\ell + E_T^
u)^2 - (\vec{p}_T^\ell + \vec{p}_T^
u)^2 \approx 2 \, |\vec{p}_T^\ell| \, |\vec{p}_T^
u| \, (1 - \cos \Delta \phi_{\ell\nu}))$$

• p_T^{ν} missing transverse energy in the event \rightarrow assumed to represent neutrino





W-Mass at Hadron-Colliders





- Analysis: Likelihood-fit with templates from simulations with different W-masses
- Precision limited by systematic uncertainties: parton-densities, lepton energies, ...

 $W \rightarrow ev$

 χ^2 /dof = 60 / 62

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Then and Now





- Pre-Higgs discovery: use $M_W + M_{top}$ to constrain Higgs mass
- Post Hoggs discovery: use M_W + M_{top} + M_H to constrain exotic theories that could add more particles to the loops → very strong limits on supersymmetry

Anomalous TGC





 Modified couplings caused by physics beyond the SM: higher cross sections, especially at high V-transverse-momentum

Anomalous TGC: Lagrange density

Remember: SM only allows WWγ and WWZ triple boson vertices

$$\mathcal{L}_{WWY} = -ie \Big[A_{\mu} (W^{-\mu\nu} W_{\nu}^{+} - W^{+\mu\nu} W_{\nu}^{-}) + F_{\mu\nu} W^{+\mu} W^{-\nu} \Big]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{WWZ} = -ie \cot \vartheta_{w} \Big[Z_{\mu} (W^{-\mu\nu} W_{\nu}^{+} - W^{+\mu\nu} W_{\nu}^{-}) + Z_{\mu\nu} W^{+\mu} W^{-\nu} \Big]$$

• Most general possibe effektive Lagrange density ($V = \gamma$, Z) $L_{WWV}^{eff} = -ig_{WWV} \left[g_1^V V_\mu (W^{-\mu\nu} W_\nu^+ - W_\mu^+ W_\nu^-) + \kappa_V V_{\mu\nu} W^{+\mu} W^{-\nu} + \frac{\lambda_V}{m_W^2} V_{\mu\nu} W^{+\nu\rho} W_\rho^{-\mu} + ig_5^V \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \left((\partial^\rho W^{-\mu}) W^{+\nu} - W^{-\mu} (\partial^\rho W^{+\nu}) \right) V^\sigma + ig_4^V W_\mu^- W_\nu^+ (\partial^\mu V^\nu + \partial^\nu V^\mu) - \frac{\tilde{\kappa}_V}{2} W_\mu^- W_\nu^+ \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} V_{\rho\sigma} - \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_V}{2m_W^2} W_{\rho\mu}^- W_\nu^{+\mu} \epsilon^{\nu\rho\alpha\beta} V_{\alpha\beta} \right]$

• SM: $g^{V_1} = \kappa_V = 1$, all all other couplings vanish

• C- und P-Erhaltung: $g_{1}^{V}, \kappa_{V} \neq 1, \lambda_{V} \neq 0, g_{4}^{V} = g_{5}^{V} = \tilde{\kappa}_{V} = \tilde{\lambda}_{V} = 0$

Limits on aTGCs



- Example: CMS W + W/Z semi-leptonic
- Isolated lepton + MET
 \rightarrow leptonic W candidate
- Fat jet with substructure
 → hadronic W candidate
- Search for excess at high diboson invariant masses
 → high aTGC contributions
- Extract limits from likelihood contours in signal+background fit



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Vector-Boson Scattering

- Study quartic vertex in vector boson scattering
- Similar to VBF process in Higgs boson physics
- Scattering cross section with longitudinally polarized bosons not unitary at high energies
- Regularised in SM by interference with Higgs boson graphs







Vector-Boson Scattering

- Detailed test of the Higgs mechanism
- 2W + 2jet processes "common" even without quartic vertex
- Enhance VBS with suitable selections:
 - jets with high dijet-mass
 - large difference in rapidity
- Only look at W^{+/-}W^{+/-}
 => no gluons in the initial state





Quartic Couplings



- Measurement in pp \rightarrow W+W+jj
- Limits on anomalous couplings

