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# Gauge Theories for the Standard Model

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Relativity + Quantum Mechanics + Causality + Cluster Decomposition  
= **Quantum Field Theory**

Lorentz-Invariant  $S$ -matrix + Unitarity + massless particles  
= **Gauge Theory** (for spin 1)  
= **General Relativity** (for spin 2)

(Weinberg 1964)

It seems we do not have a choice!!

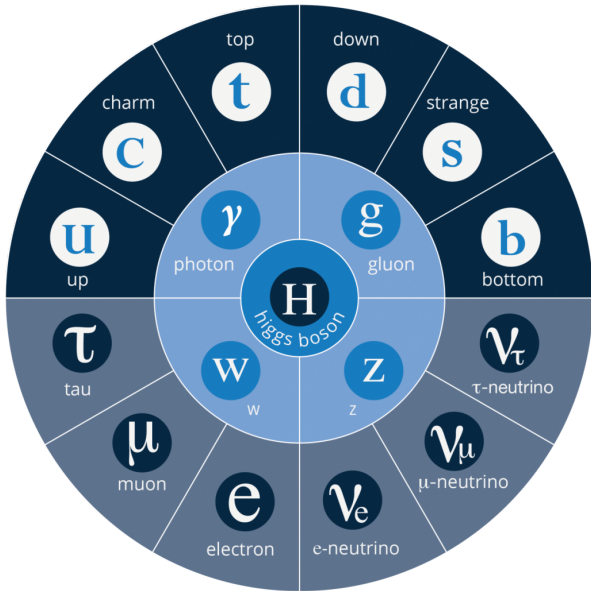
The above + Observed particle content

= **Standard Model of Particle Physics:**

A **Renormalizable Gauge Quantum Field Theory** with the following ingredients:

1. Gauge group  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{SM}} \equiv SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ .
2. Spontaneous symmetry breaking (SSB) of  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{SM}}$  down to  $SU(3)_c \times U(1)_{\text{em}}$  via the vacuum expectation value of a single  $SU(2)_L$  doublet.
3. Three families of Matter fermions in specific representations of  $\mathcal{G}_{\text{SM}}$ .

	$Q$	$u$	$d$	$L$	$e$	$H$
$SU(3)_c$	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
$SU(2)_L$	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
$U(1)_Y$	1/6	2/3	-1/3	-1/2	-1	1/2



# OBJECTIVE

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The purpose of this course is

To understand the SM in detail at the **quantum level**

Of course, this will imply understanding a wider (quite general) set of gauge theories with

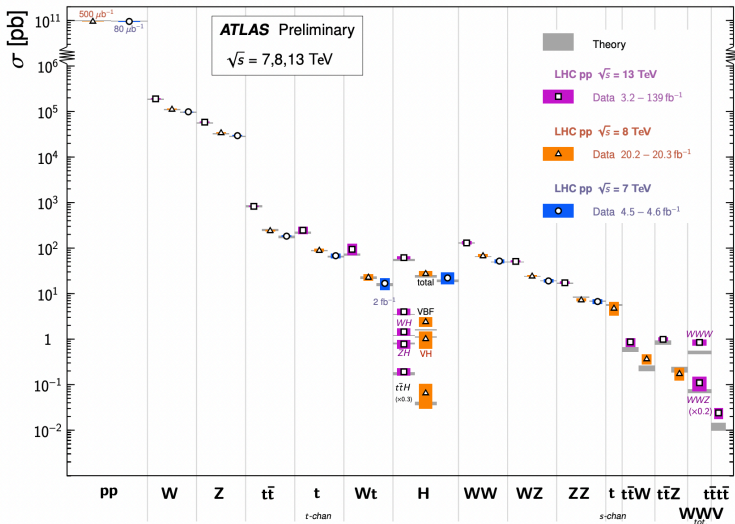
- different gauge groups
- different patterns of SSB, and
- different field content

Thus we will also be able to understand e.g. **Grand Unified Theories** such as Georgi-Glashow's  $SU(5)$ .

# The Standard Model is A-MA-ZING

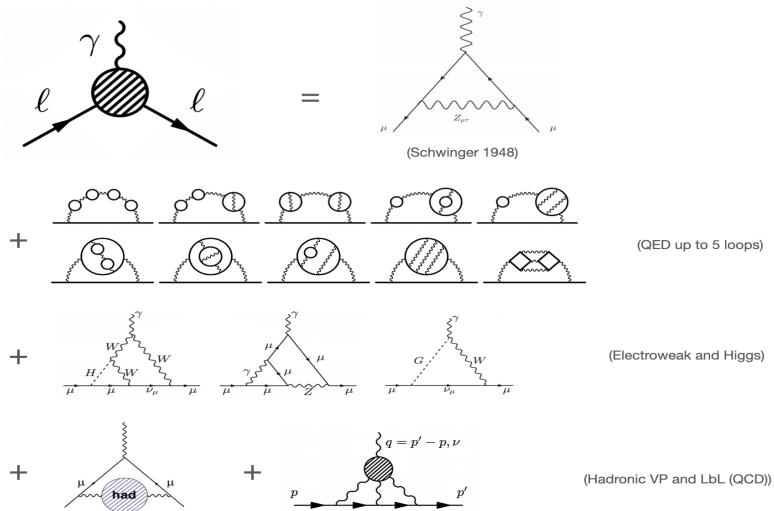
## Standard Model Total Production Cross Section Measurements

Status: July 2021



# The Standard Model is **A-MA-ZING**

## - Muon Magnetic Moment:



# The Standard Model is **A-MA-ZING**

- **Muon Magnetic Moment:** (known to parts-per-billion)

$$a_\mu = (g_\mu - 2)/2$$

Exp		0.00116592089
Schwinger 1948	$\alpha/2\pi =$	0.00116140000
QED (5 loops)		0.00116584719
Electroweak		0.00000000154
Hadronic VP		0.00000006845
Hadronic LbL		0.00000000092
Total SM		0.00116591810

Current status:  $a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{SM}} = 0.00000000279(76)$

**BSM???**



# STRUCTURE OF THE COURSE

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**PART I:** 25 hrs (Javier Virto)

*Gauge Theories with and without SSB, and their quantization*

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*Renormalization and Quantum Chromodynamics*

**PART III:** 13 hrs (Federico Mescia)

*Electroweak Theory and Higgs*

# STRUCTURE OF THE COURSE

## **PART I:** 25 hrs (Javier Virto)

### *Gauge Theories with and without SSB, and their quantization*

1. Massless spin-1 particles and Gauge Symmetry
2. Non-Abelian Gauge Theory
3. Quantization of Yang-Mills Theory
4. Gauge Theories with Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking
5. QFT Anomalies

## **PART II:** 13 hrs (Jorge Casalderrey)

### *Renormalization and Quantum Chromodynamics*

6. Radiative corrections in Gauge Theory
7. The limits of perturbation theory

## **PART III:** 13 hrs (Federico Mescia)

### *Electroweak Theory and Higgs*

8. Gauge structure of Electroweak Theory
9. The Electroweak Theory beyond tree level
10. Radiative corrections in Electroweak Theory

# YOU WILL LEARN ...

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- Why we need Gauge Symmetry
- Why some Gauge Theories have *ghost* particles ...
- What happens when the quantum vacuum is not gauge invariant
- Why quantum mechanics breaks some global symmetries !! ...
- ... and why it does **not** break gauge symmetry within the SM !!
- Why QCD is **asymptotically free** (explicitly!)
- Why Flavor-changing processes are loop-mediated, and the GIM mechanism
- Why pions are **Goldstone bosons**, and why  $\pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma$  occurs
- AND MUCH MORE...

# EVALUATION

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For the **evaluation** there will be several problem *hand-outs* during the course.

The final grade will be based on these hand-outs, in the proportion

$$\text{Grade} = 50\% (\text{Part I}) + 25\% (\text{Part II}) + 25\% (\text{Part III})$$

There will be **no final exam**.

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