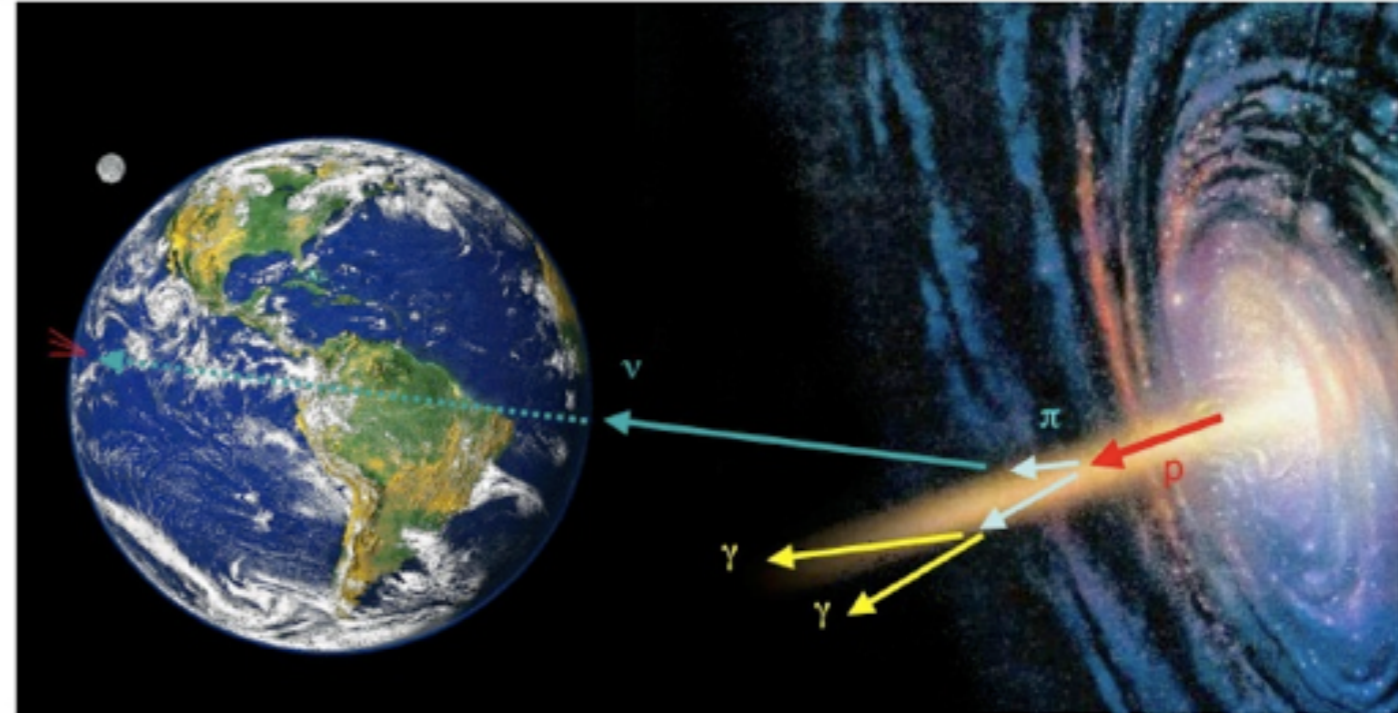
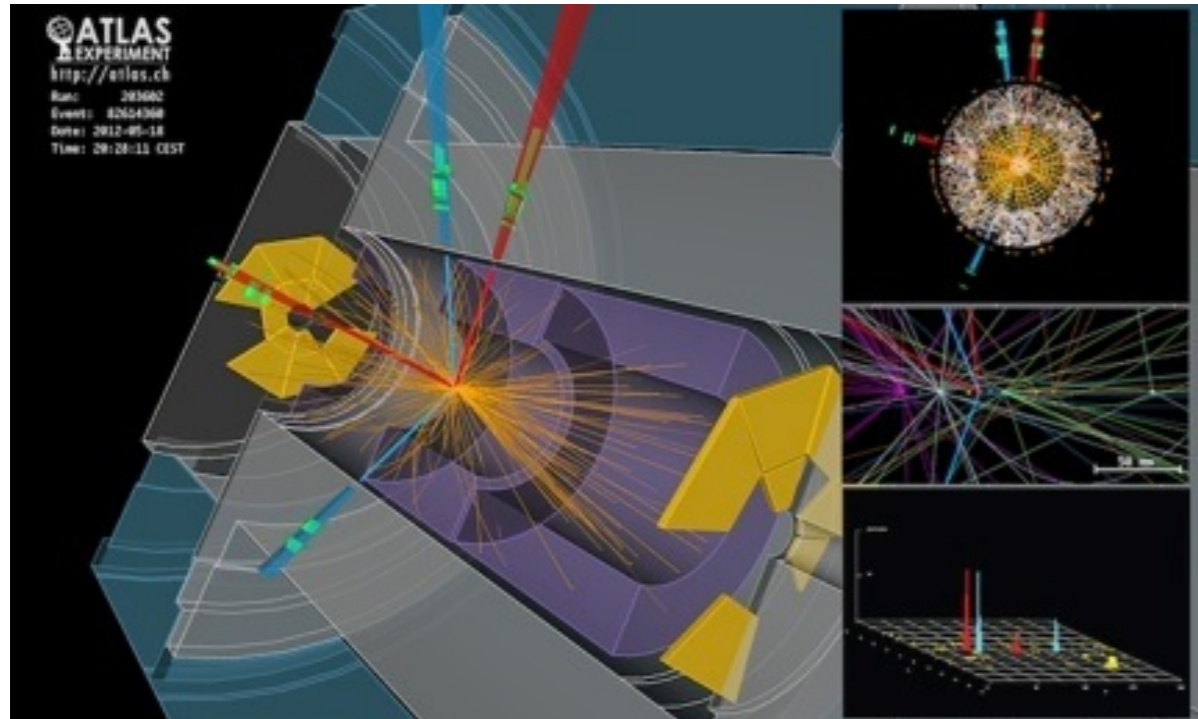


# Particle Physics with Accelerators and Natural Sources



## 05. Precision Tests of the Standard Model

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# Overview

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- The Standard Model: Intro & History
- $e^+e^-$  collisions for precision tests
- The  $Z^0$  resonance
- Direct and indirect measurements



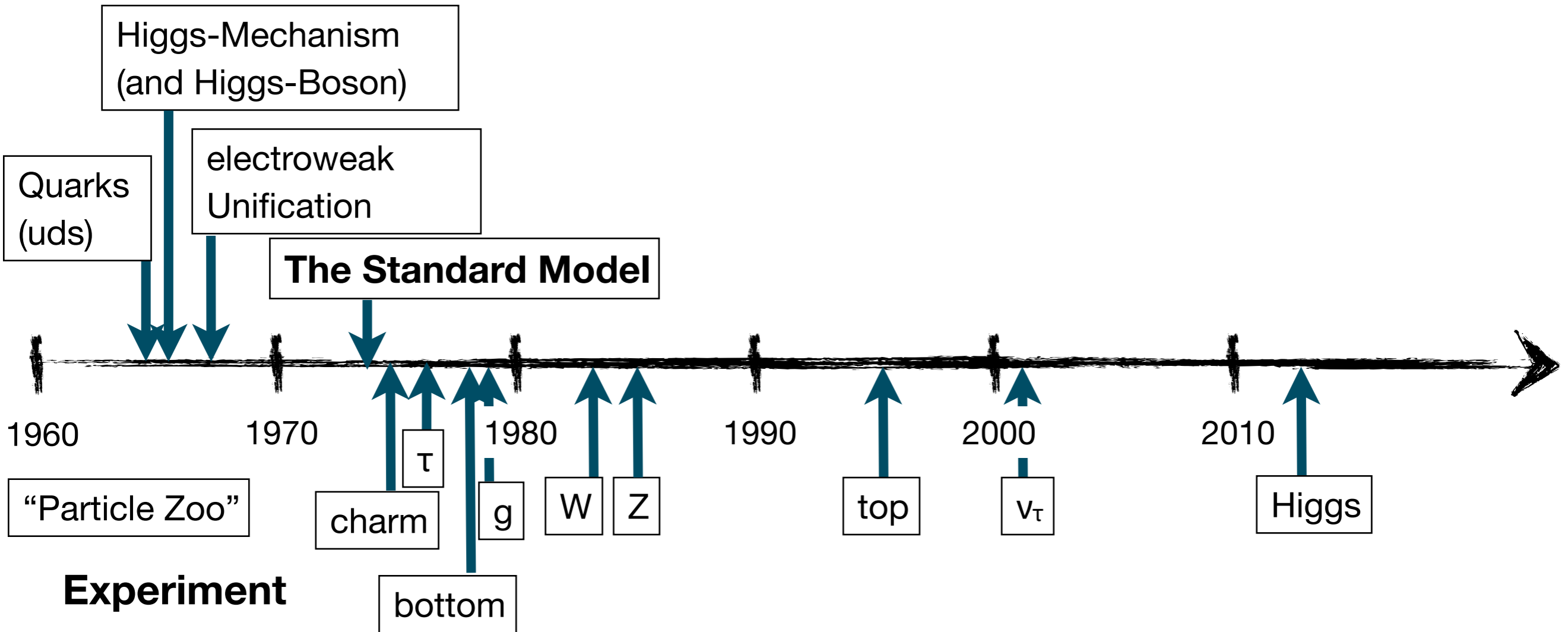
# The Structure of the Standard Model

- The electroweak part of the SM is based on the gauge group  $SU(2) \times U(1)$
- This gives rise to the gauge bosons  $W^+$ ,  $W^-$ ,  $Z$  for  $SU(2)$  and  $\gamma$  for  $U(1)$
- Left-handed fermion fields transform as doublets under  $SU(2)$  - right handed fermions as singlets (no coupling of right-handed fermions to  $W$ ; V-A structure of the weak interaction)
- There are three fermion families
- A complex scalar Higgs field is added for mass generation through spontaneous symmetry breaking to give mass to the gauge bosons and fermions -> Gives rise to one physical neutral scalar particle, the Higgs boson
- The electroweak SM describes in lowest order ("Born approximation) processes such as  $f_1 f_2 \rightarrow f_3 f_4$  with only 3 free parameters:  $\alpha$ ,  $G_f$ ,  $\sin^2\theta_W$



# The History of the Standard Model

## Theory



~ 50 Years!

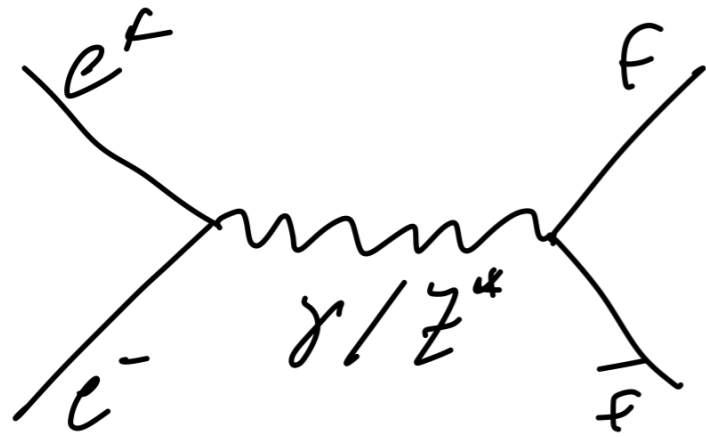
The Standard Model (and its components) has withstood all tests & attempts to break it / find inconsistencies!

# Testing the Standard Model

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- The “vanilla” Standard Model (ignoring neutrino masses & mixings) has 18 free parameters that need to be measured
  - 9 fermion masses (= couplings to the Higgs Field)
  - 3 CKM mixing angles + 1 CKM phase
  - 3 coupling constants (electromagnetic, weak, strong)
  - 1  $Z^0$  mass
  - 1 Higgs mass
- Other measurable parameters, such as the Weinberg angle and the W mass can be calculated taking the 18 parameters as input: A direct possibility to test SM prediction
- In addition: Particles occur “in loops” and modify measurable properties and cross sections: Calculable - can be tested, and used to indirectly search for new particles

# The Tool for Precision Tests: $e^+e^-$ Collisions



- $e^+e^-$  annihilation:
  - point-like particles
  - well-known quantum numbers and energies of initial and final states
  - no hadronic (strong) interactions in and with initial state:
    - no underlying or “remnant” event
    - couplings  $\ll 1$ : calculable in perturbation theory



- Technical requirements:
  - precise knowledge of  $e^+e^-$  energies (accelerator)
  - precise knowledge of luminosity (special detectors)
  - precise measurement & classification of all final states (detectors)

# Electron-Positron Colliders

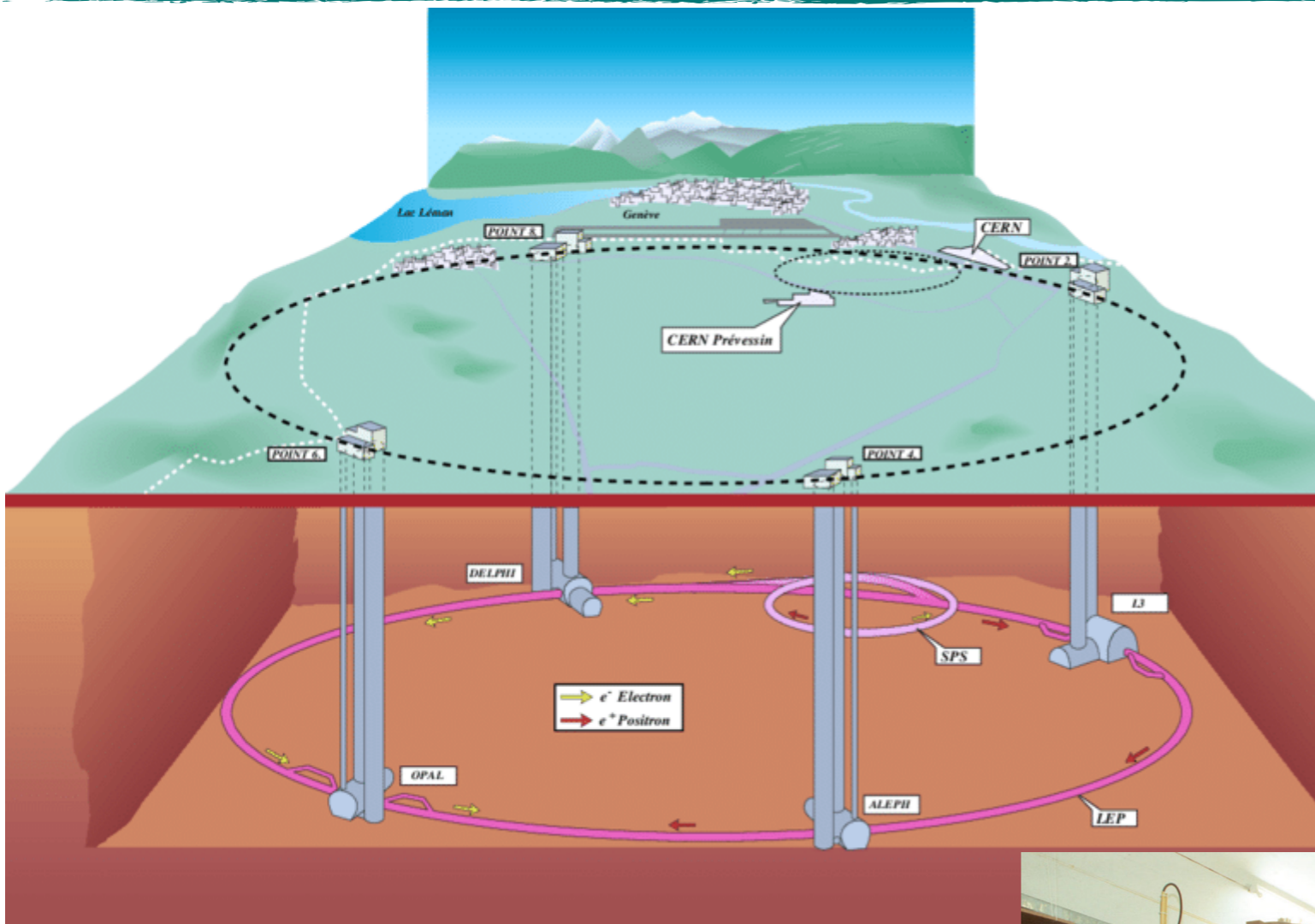
# High-energy $e^+e^-$ Colliders: SLC, LEP

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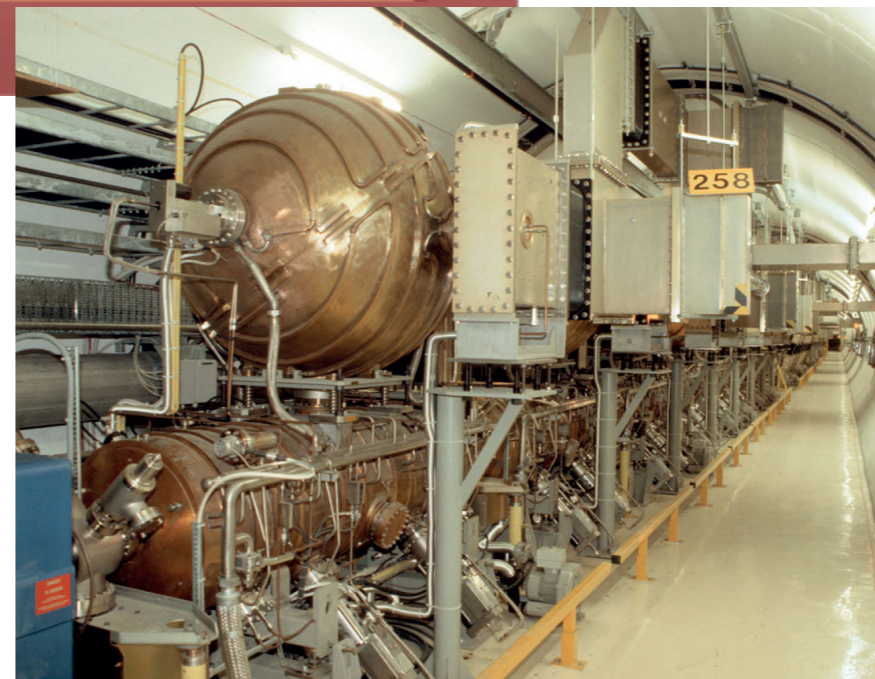
- SLC (1989 - 1999): Center-of-mass energy  $\sim 91$  GeV (on the  $Z^0$  resonance)
- LEP: 1989 - 2000
  - LEP I: Center-of-mass energy  $\sim 91$  GeV (on the  $Z^0$  resonance)
  - LEP II: Center-of-mass energy up to 209 GeV
- For precision measurements:
  - Need precise measurement of collider energy
    - At LEP measured via resonant depolarisation of self-polarisation of beam which builds up over time (up to a beam energy of 55 GeV), extrapolation via flux-loop measurements beyond :
      - Energy uncertainty at 90 GeV center of mass: 1.4 MeV
      - Energy uncertainty at 200 GeV center of mass: 25 - 30 MeV
- For SM precision measurements: polarisation of beams valuable: A strength of linear accelerators: 80%  $e^-$  polarisation at SLC - not possible at LEP



# LEP in one Slide

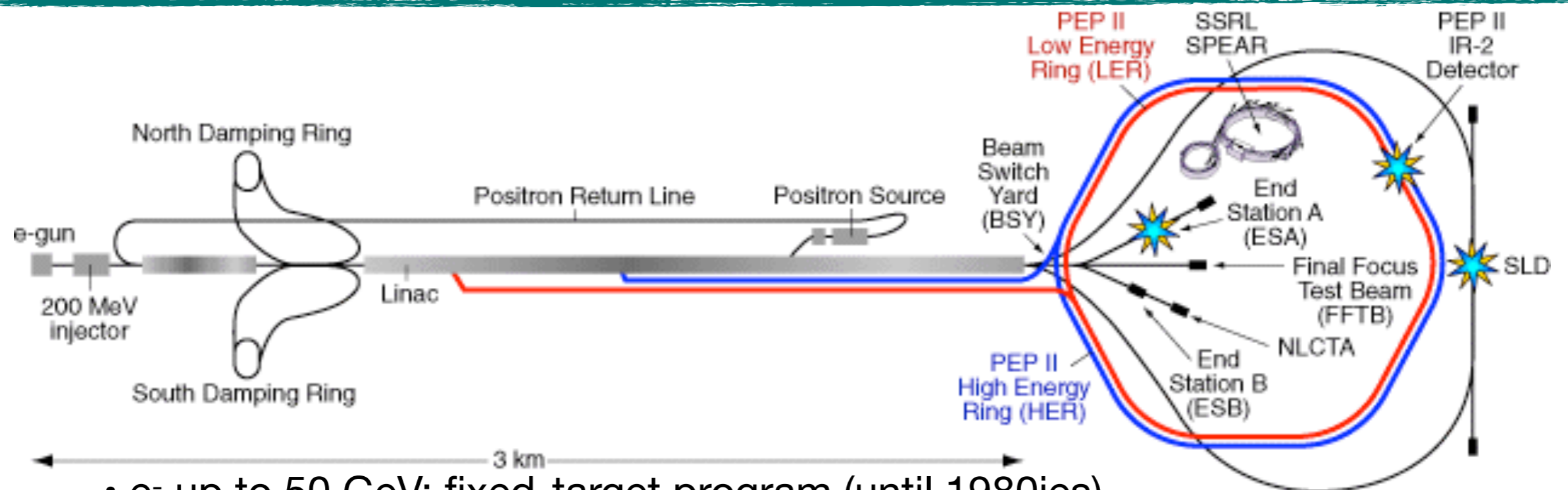


27 km circumference  
maximum energy 209 GeV





# SLC in one Slide



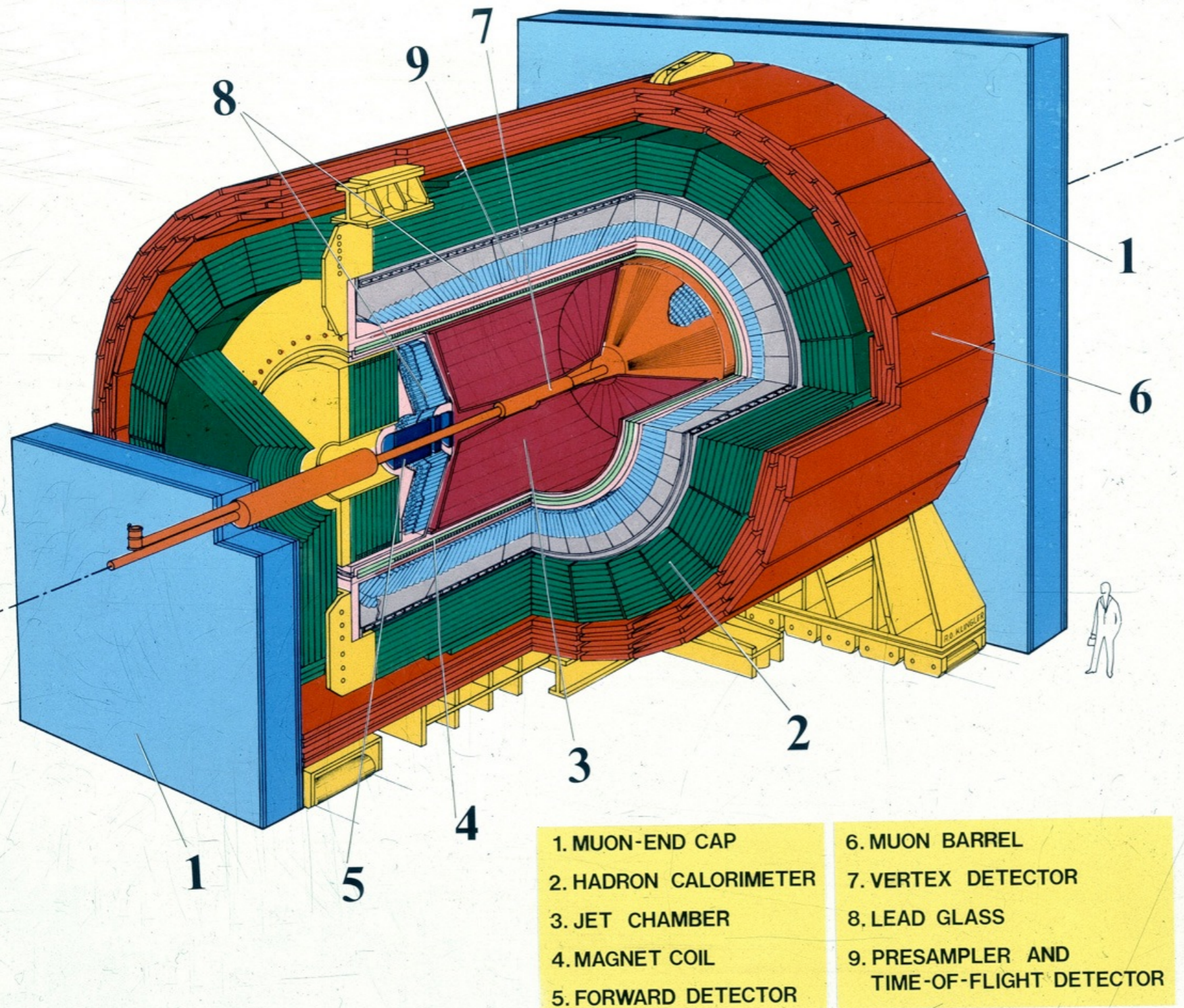
- $e^-$  up to 50 GeV; fixed-target program (until 1980ies)
- $e^-$  und  $e^+$  for PEP-I storage ring ( $E_{cm} = 29$  GeV; early 1980ies)
- $e^-$  und  $e^+$  for SLC collider ( $E_{cm} = M_Z \sim 91$  GeV; 1989 - 1999)
- $e^-$  und  $e^+$  for PEP-II storage ring ( $E_{cm} \sim 10$  GeV; 1999 - 2008)





# Experiments at LEP

## OPAL



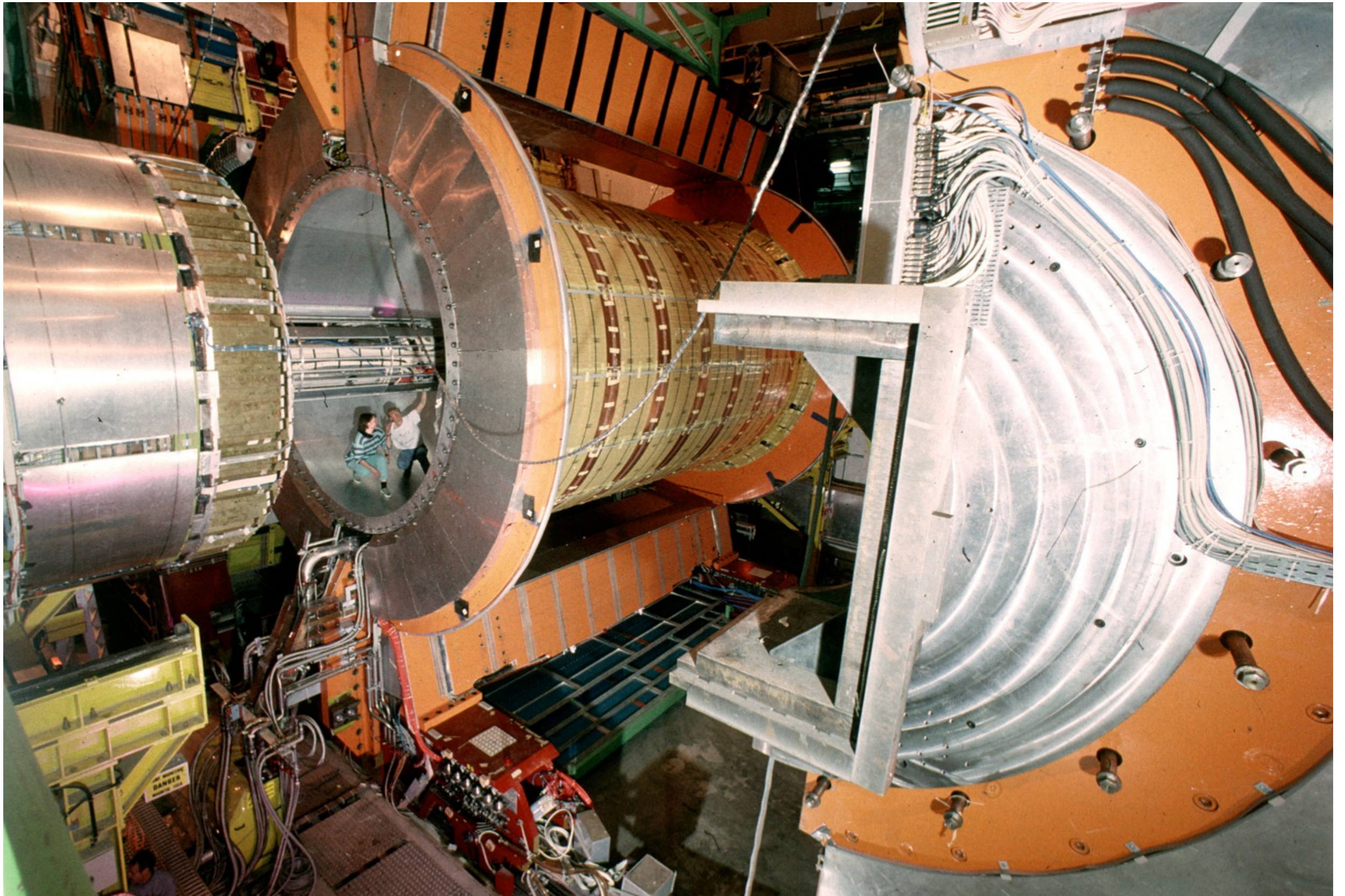
- The beginning of the (very) large collaborations in particle physics: several 100 members (~ 300 - 700, changing with time)

International collaboration on a new scale, required tools for free exchange of information and data

One consequence:  
Invention of WWW at CERN in 1989

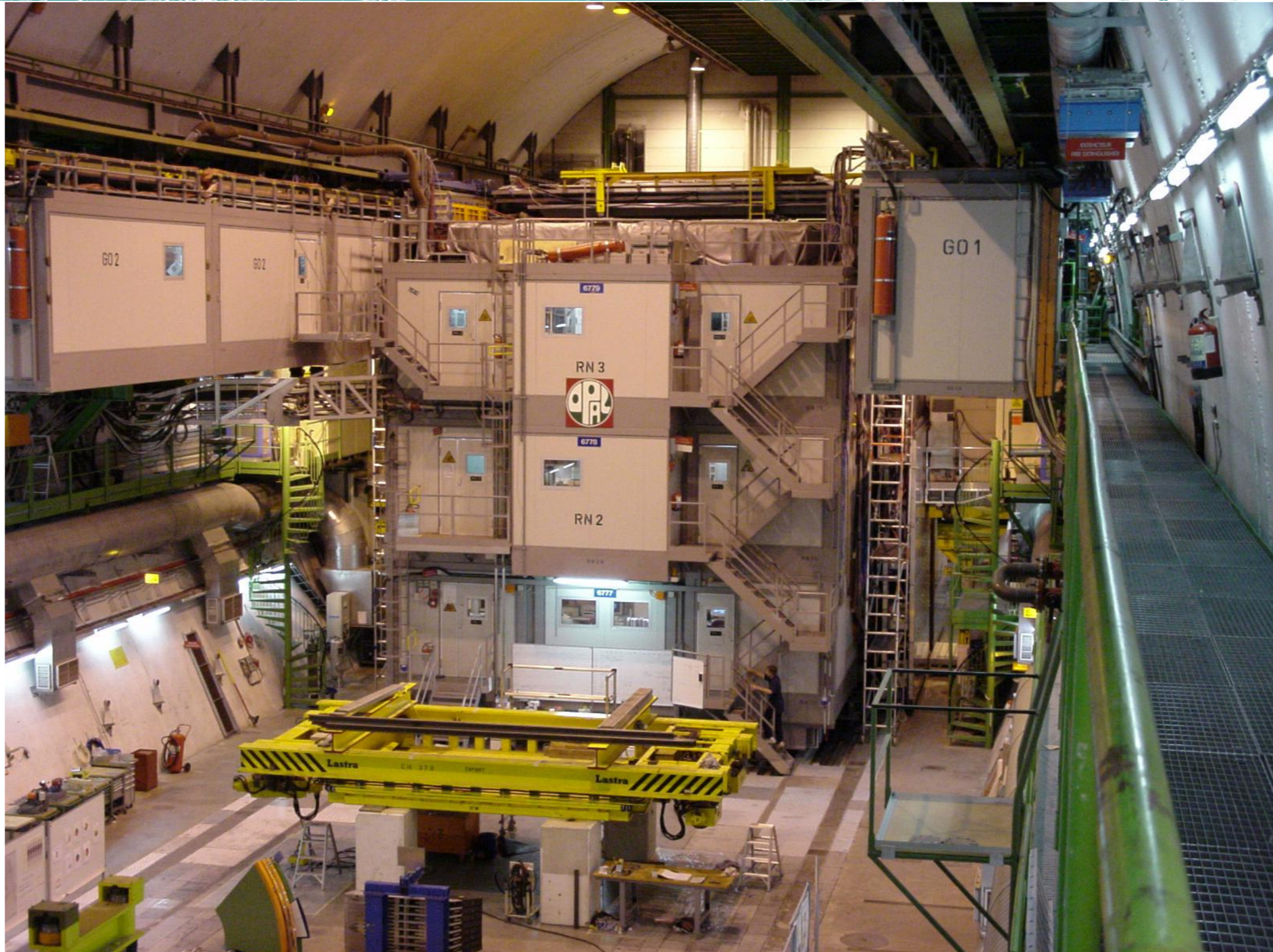


# $e^+e^-$ Experiments: One Example - OPAL @ LEP



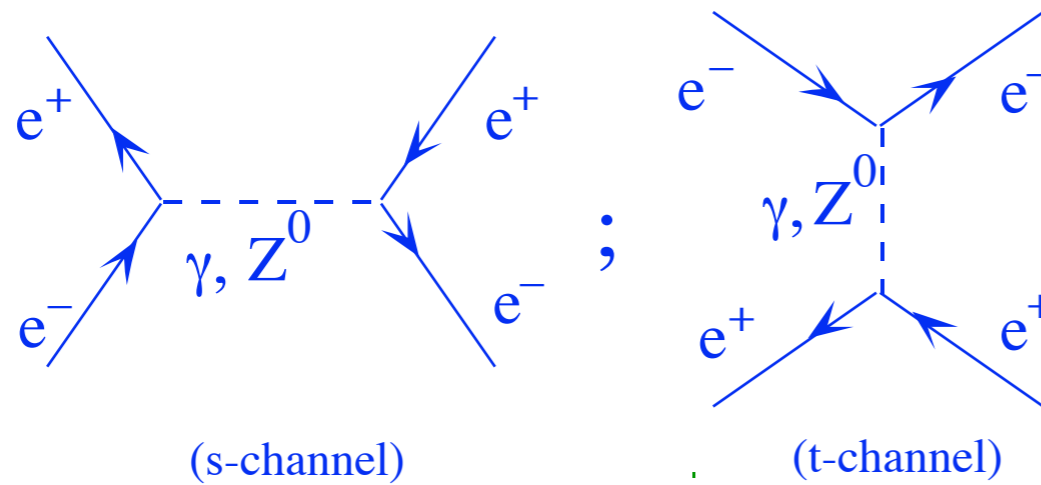


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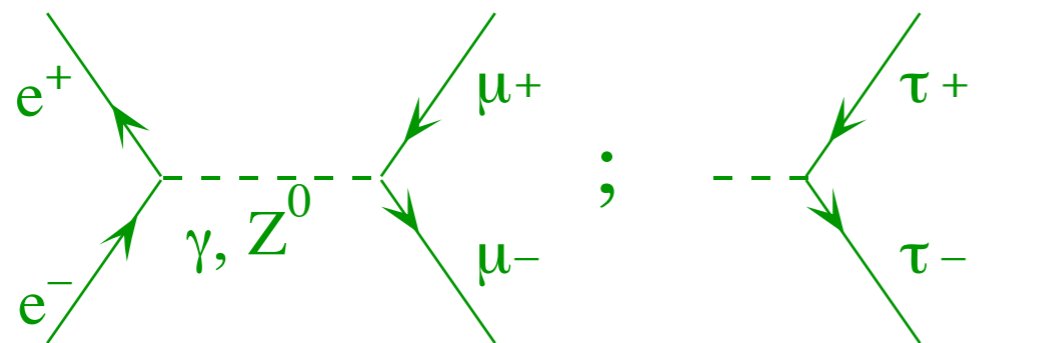




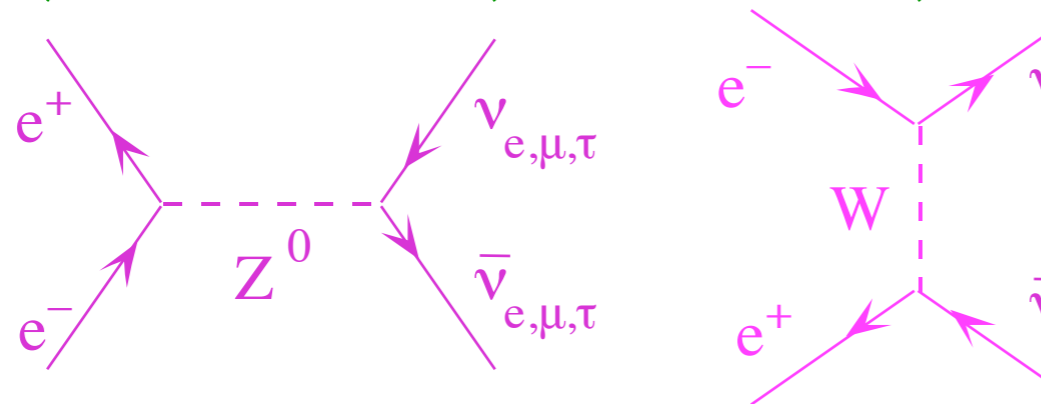
# Final States in $e^+e^-$ Annihilation: 91+ GeV



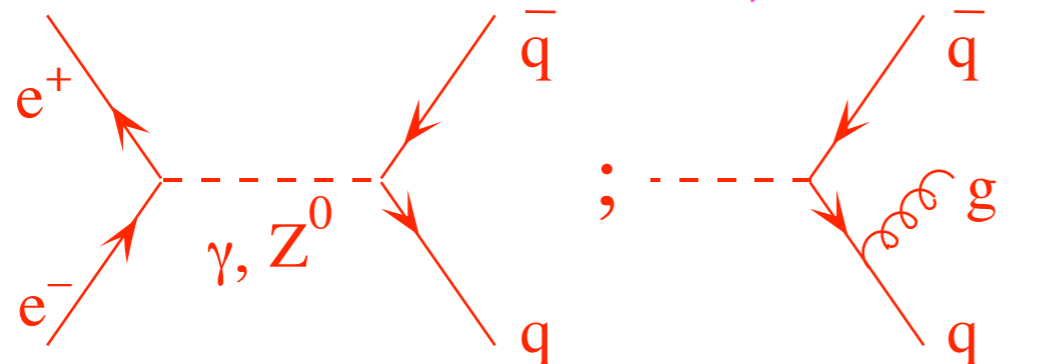
Bhabha-scattering



$\mu^-$ ,  $\tau^-$  pair-production

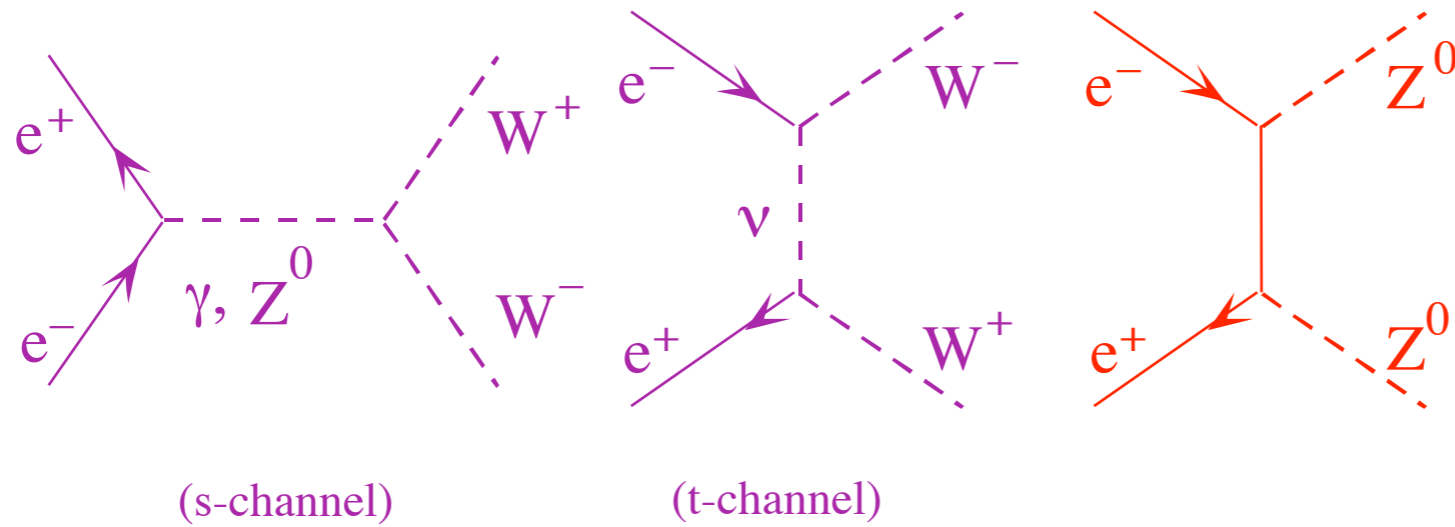


Neutrino-pair-production  
("invisible")

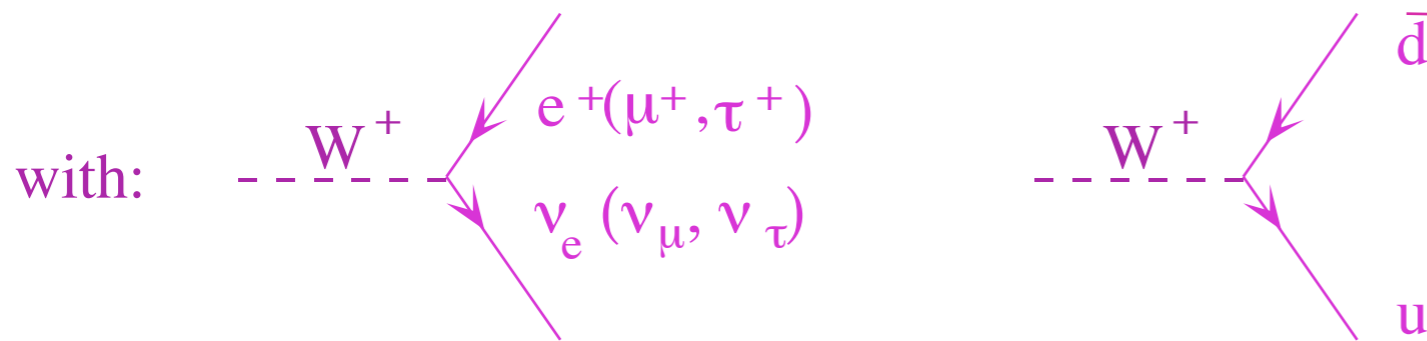


Quark-Antiquark-pairs  
plus Gluons:  
hadronic final states  
(dominant channel!)

# Final States in $e^+e^-$ Annihilation: LEP II

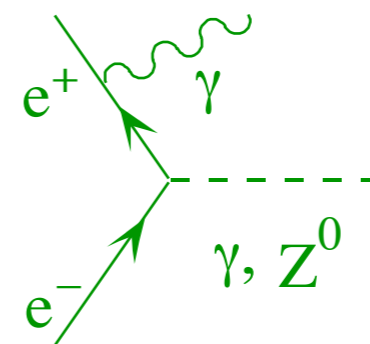
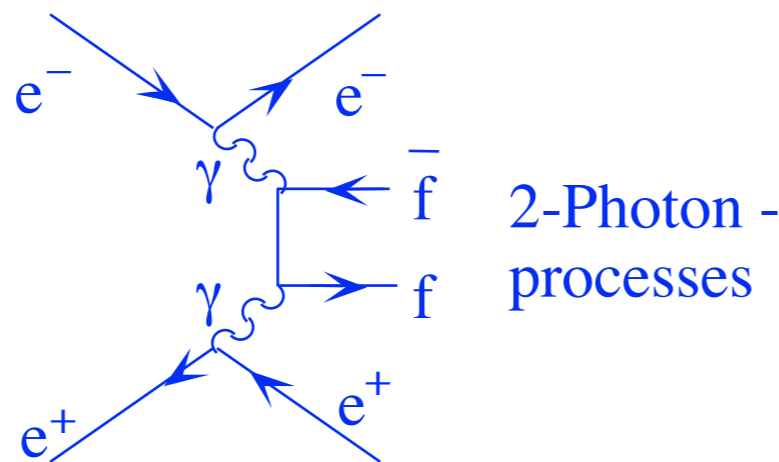


W/Z - pair production (LEP - II)



(W-decays; Z-decays as above)

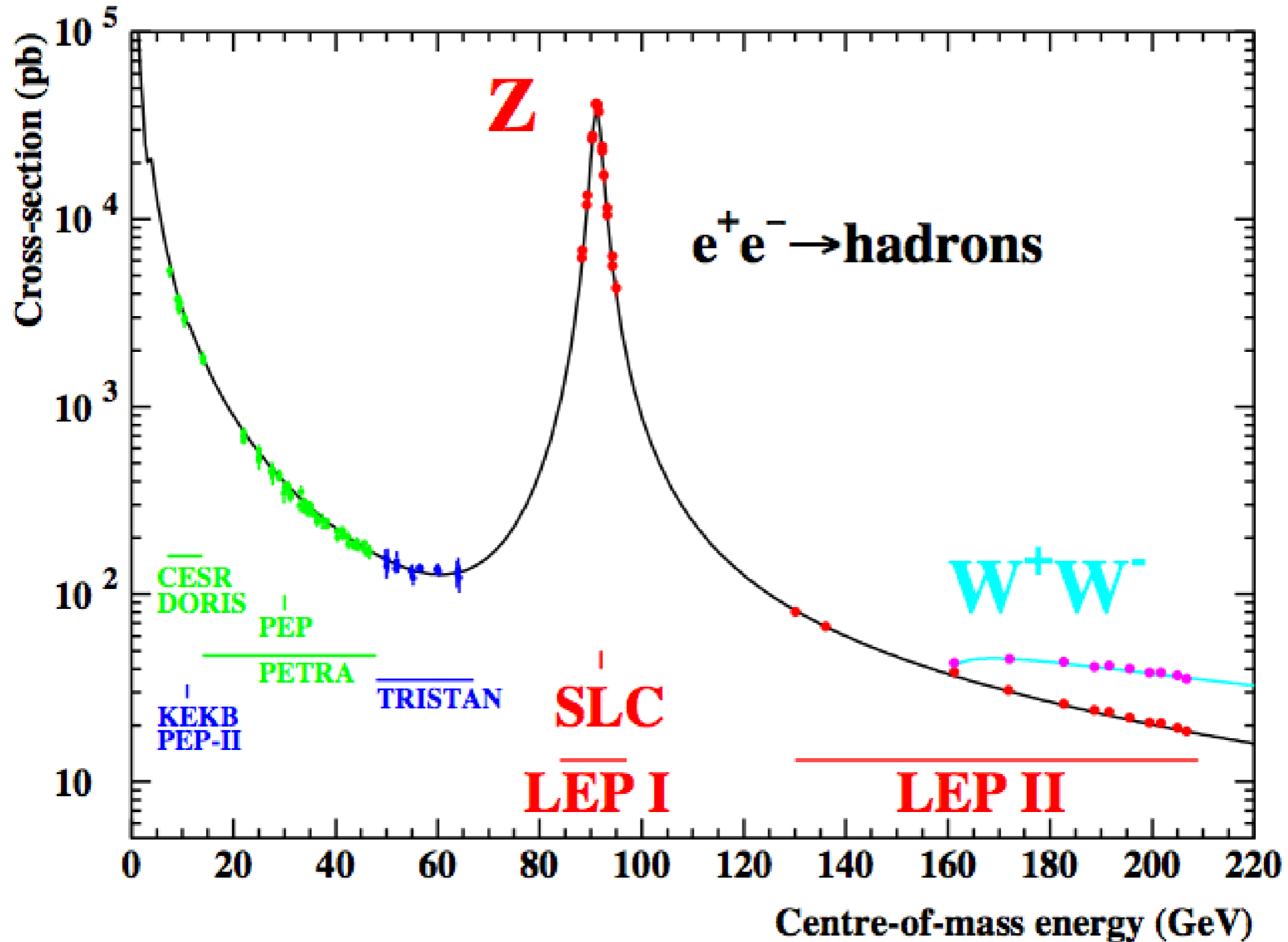
further important processes:



initial state Bremsstrahlung

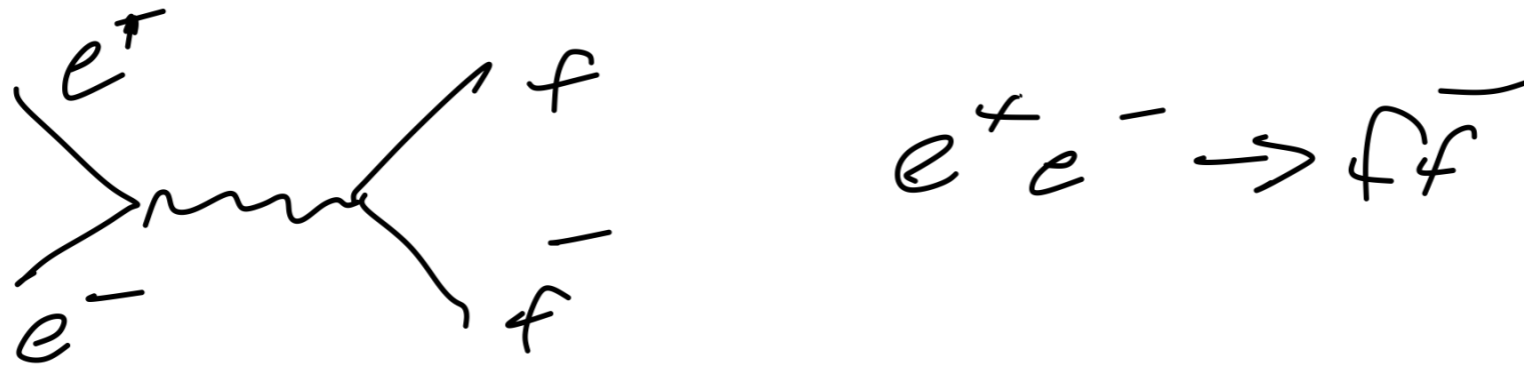
# Physics at LEP and SLC - a few Examples -

# The Hadronic Cross Section in $e^+e^-$ Collisions



# Cross sections in Electroweak Interactions

- The minimal SM in lowest order (“Born approximation”) describes processes like:



by just three free parameters:

- $\alpha_{em}$  fine structure constant (electromagnetic interaction)
- $G_F$  Fermi constant (weak interaction), obtained from  $\mu$  lifetime
- $\sin^2\theta_w$  weak mixing angle, obtained from neutrino - Nucleon scattering

or:

$$\alpha_{em}, G_F, M_Z \iff \sin^2\theta_w \cos^2\theta_w = \frac{\pi\alpha_{em}}{G_F \cdot \sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{M_Z^2}$$



# The Z<sup>0</sup> Resonance

- For resonant production through a Z, the width of the Z influences the cross section (Breit-Wiegner resonance):

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow Z \rightarrow ff) = \frac{12\pi}{m_Z^2} \frac{S}{(S - m_Z^2)^2 + m_Z^2 \Gamma_Z^2} \Gamma_{ee} \Gamma_{ff}$$

c.o.m. energy
total width
partial widths

Maximum at:  $\sigma_{ff}^0 = \frac{12\pi}{m_Z^2} \frac{\Gamma_{ee} \Gamma_{ff}}{\Gamma_Z^2}$

The partial widths (decay into a given fermion pair) can be calculated in the SM:

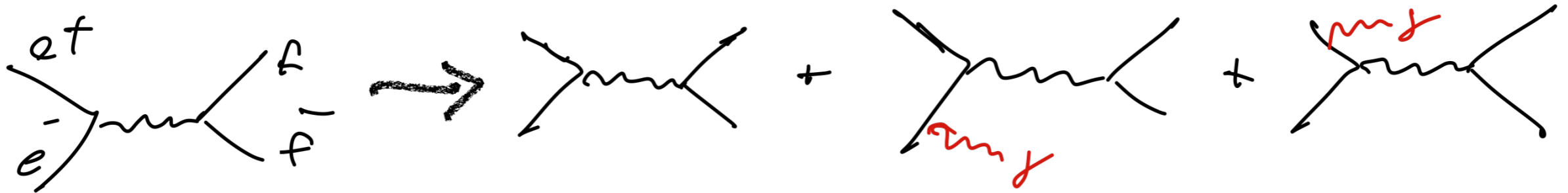
$$\Gamma_f = \frac{G_F M_Z^3}{6\pi\sqrt{2}} \cdot [g_{\alpha,f}^2 + g_{\nu,f}^2] \cdot N_{c,f}$$

color factor:  
3 for quarks, 1 for leptons

$g_{\alpha,f} = I_{3,f}$       3rd component of weak isospin: (up-type q, ν +1/2, others -1/2)  
 $g_{\nu,f} = I_{3,f} - 2Q \sin^2 \theta_w$       Q: electric charge

# It's not quite that simple: Initial State Radiation

- The  $e^+$  and  $e^-$  can radiate photons before colliding, changing the energy:



## Initial state radiation (ISR)

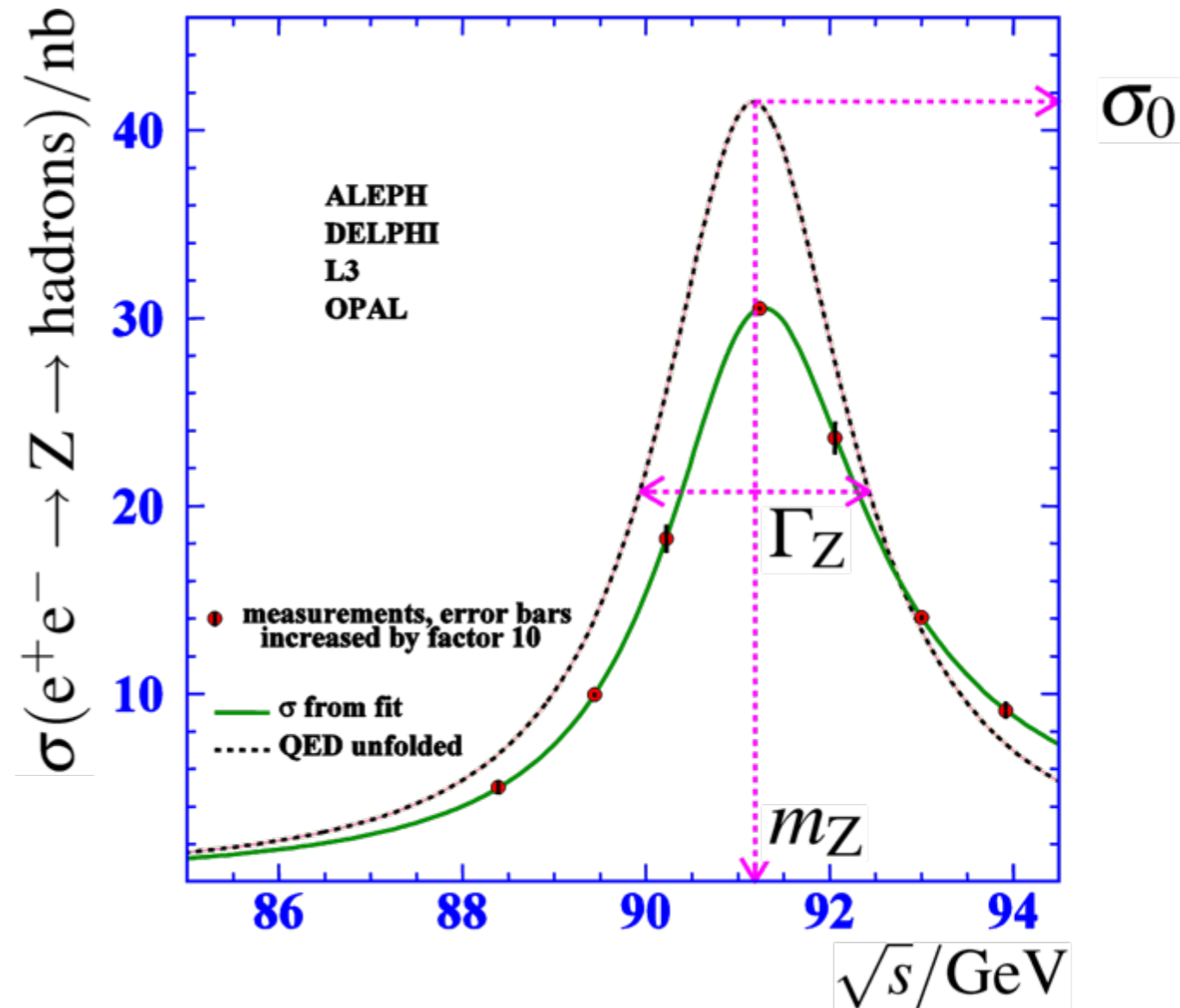
Results in a change in the collision energy:

$$\sqrt{s} = 2E \rightarrow \sqrt{s'} \approx 2E \left(1 - \frac{E_\gamma}{2E}\right)$$

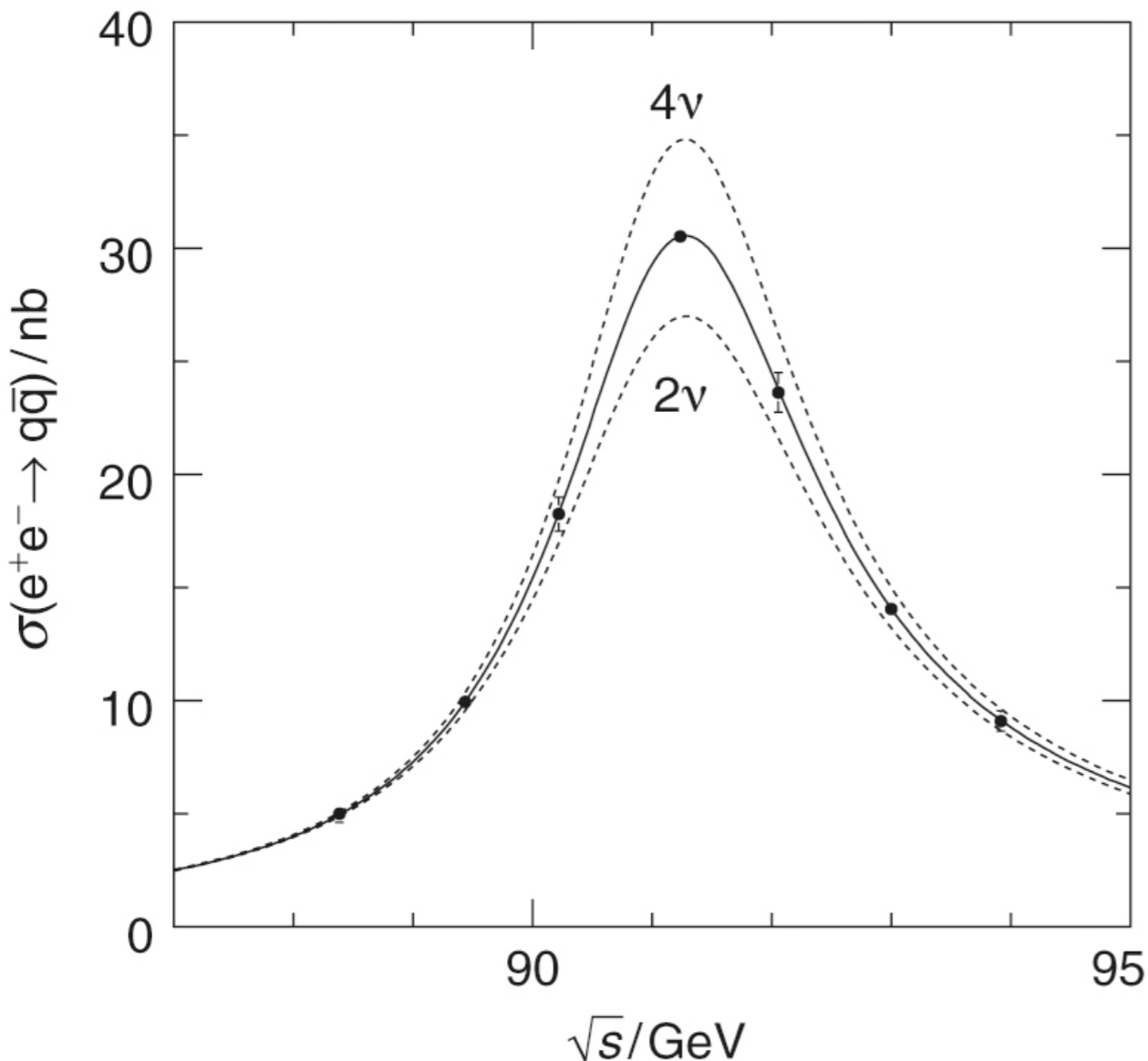


changes in cross section:  
Reduced since events move below resonance energy

Can be calculated precisely in QED!



# Precision Measurements at the Z



$$M_Z = 91.1875 \pm 0.0021 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Gamma_Z = 2.4952 \pm 0.0023 \text{ GeV}$$

This precision can not be reached at hadron colliders - LEP input used for calibration at LHC

- Determining the number of light neutrino flavors from the Z width:

Given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_Z &= \Gamma_{ee} + \Gamma_{\mu\mu} + \Gamma_{\tau\tau} + \Gamma_{\text{had}} \\ &\quad + \Gamma_{\nu e \nu e} + \Gamma_{\nu \mu \nu \mu} + \Gamma_{\nu \tau \nu \tau} \\ &= 3 \Gamma_{ll} + \Gamma_{\text{had}} + N_\nu \Gamma_{\nu\nu} \end{aligned}$$

The partial width into visible final states can be directly measured

Taking the SM prediction for  $\Gamma_{\nu\nu}$  from the measured cross section and total width the number of (light) neutrinos can be determined

$$N_\nu = 2.984 \pm 0.008$$

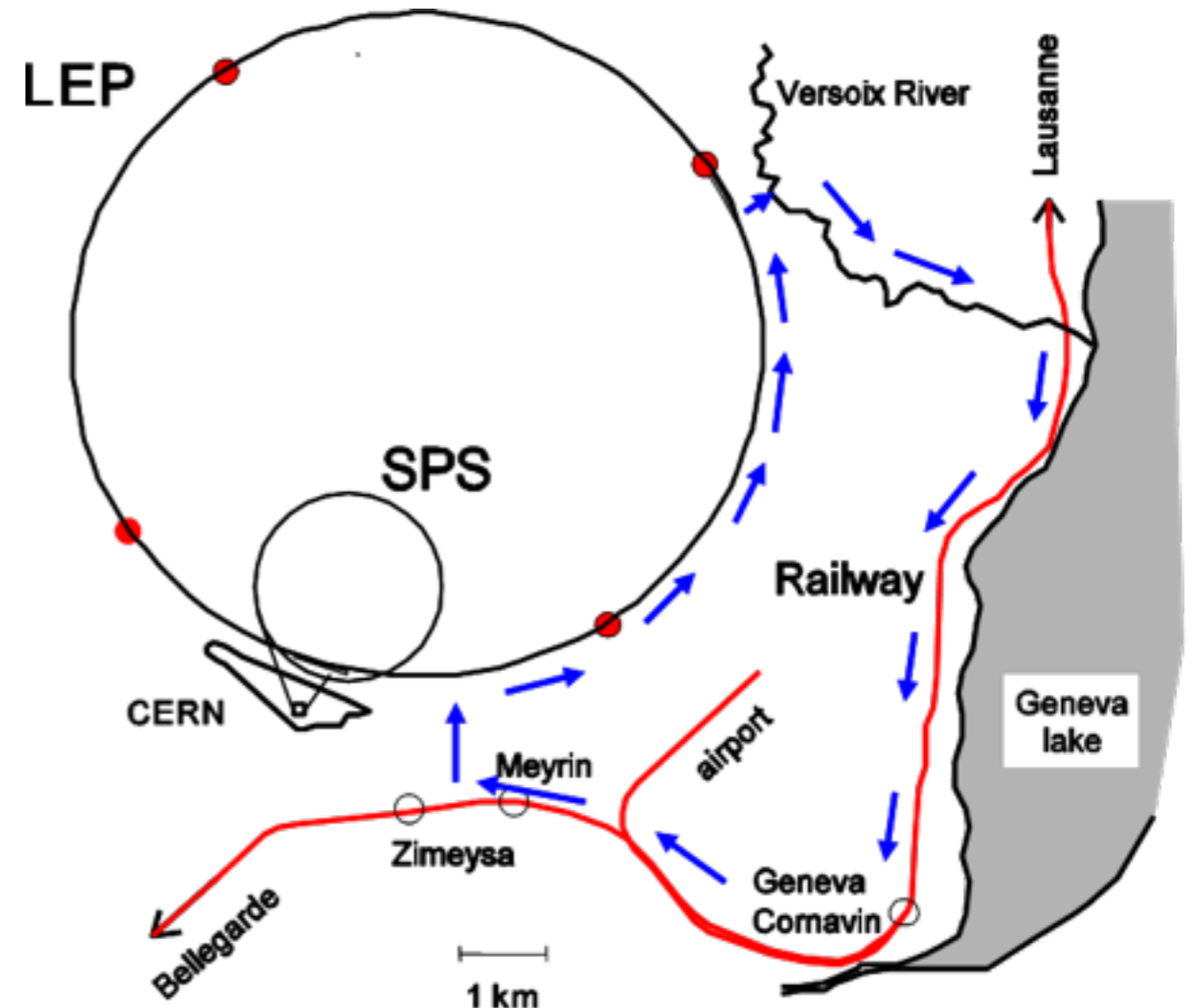
# Challenges imposed by Precision Goals

## Moon

- As the moon orbits the Earth it distorts the rock in the Geneva area very slightly !
- The nominal radius of the accelerator of 4.3 km varies by  $\pm 0.15$  mm
- Changes beam energy by  $\sim 10$  MeV : need to correct for tidal effects !

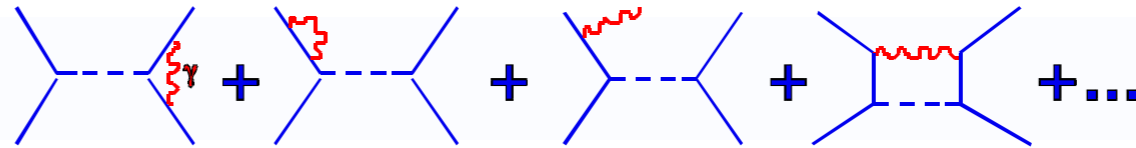
## Trains

- Leakage currents from the TGV railway line return to Earth following the path of least resistance.
- Travelling via the Versoix river and using the LEP ring as a conductor.
- Each time a TGV train passed by, a small current circulated LEP slightly changing the magnetic field in the accelerator
- LEP beam energy changes by  $\sim 10$  MeV



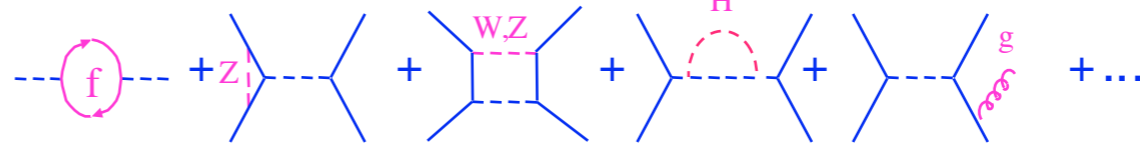
# Radiative Corrections

photonic corrections:



corrections  $\sim 100\%$ , selection dependent;  
factorisable:  $(1 + \delta_{\text{rad}})$

non-photonic corrections:



corrections  $\sim 10\%$ , selection independent;  
can be absorbed in running couplings:

- $\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}(s)$
- $\alpha(s) = \frac{\alpha}{1 - \Delta\alpha}$  ;  $\Delta\alpha = 0.064$  bei  $\sqrt{s} = M_Z$
- $N_{c,f} \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} + 1.4 \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \right)^2 + \dots \right)$  (für Quarks)
- $\frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2} = \rho \cdot \cos^2 \theta_w$  mit  $\rho = \frac{1}{1 - \Delta\rho}$  ;  $\Delta\rho = 0.0026 \frac{M_t^2}{M_Z^2} - 0.0015 \ln \left( \frac{M_H}{M_w} \right)$



# Modifications of the Cross Sections by Corrections

insertion of running couplings in “Born”-approximation :

partial Z decay widths

$$\Gamma_f = \frac{G_f M_Z^3}{6\pi\sqrt{2}} \left[ g_{a,f}^2 + g_{v,f}^2 \right] N_{c,f} \text{ (and also$$

cross sections) acquire dependence on:

- $M_t$
- $M_H$
- $\alpha_s$

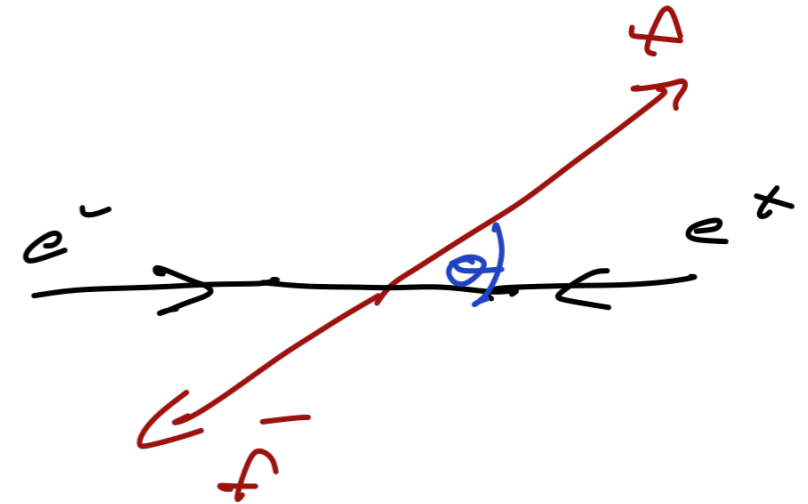
==> indirect determination (fit) of  $M_t$ ,  $M_H$ , and  $\alpha_s$  from combination of all available electroweak observables

(differential cross sections, partial decay widths, forward-backward asymmetries,  $\tau$ -polarisation, left-right asymmetries (SLC))

# Beyond Cross Section Measurements

- Differential cross sections

$$\frac{d\sigma_f}{d\cos\theta} \propto A \cdot (1 + \cos^2\theta) + B \cdot \cos\theta$$



depends on  $\gamma$  and  $Z^0$  exchange & interference, spin orientations (helicities) of initial and final state, on resonance, ...

- Can be studied in a compact way as forward - backward asymmetries:

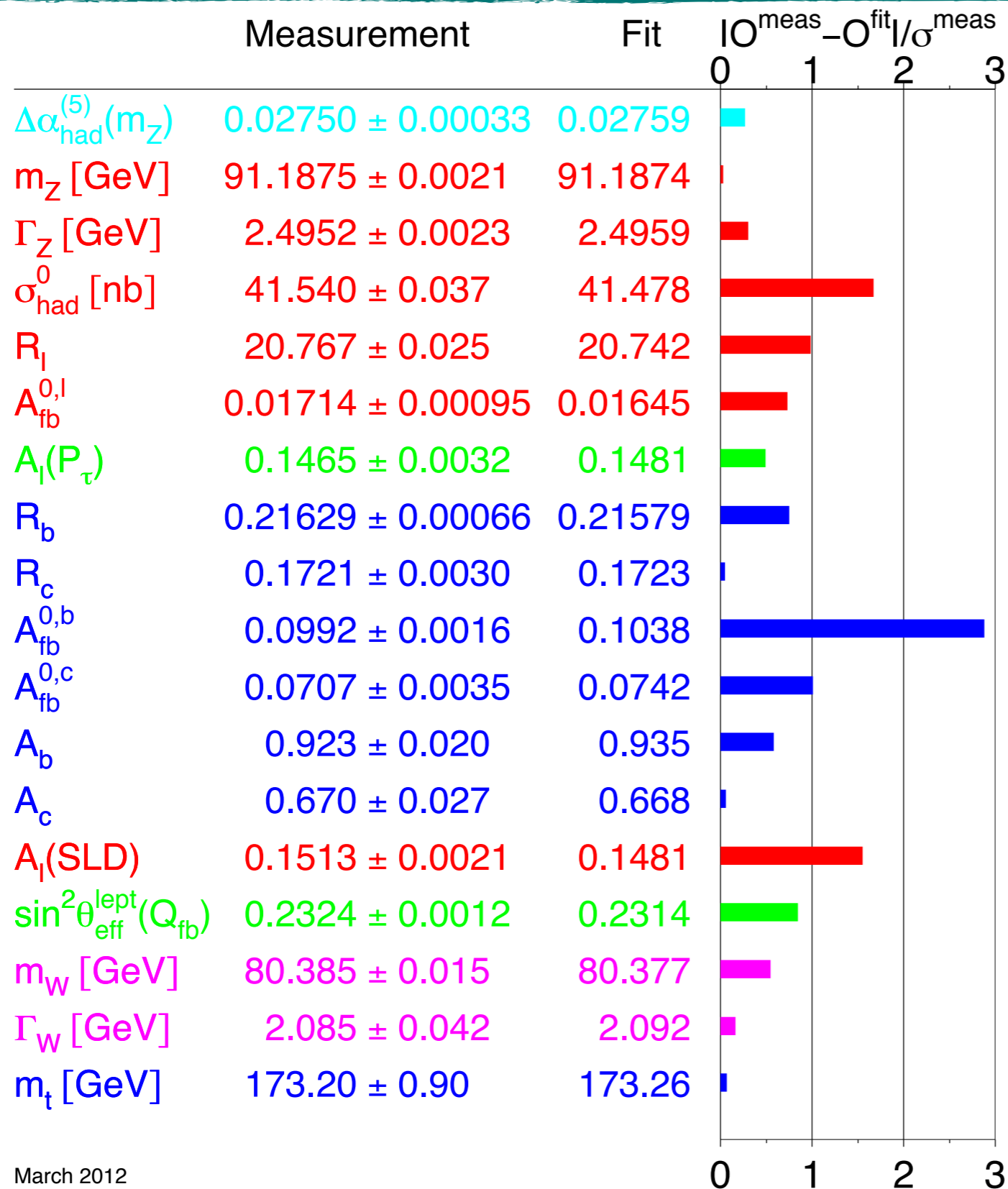
$$\sigma_F \equiv \int_0^1 \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta} d\cos\theta \quad \sigma_B \equiv \int_{-1}^0 \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta} d\cos\theta$$

$$0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \frac{\pi}{2} < \theta < \pi$$

$$A_{FB} = \frac{\sigma_F - \sigma_B}{\sigma_F + \sigma_B}$$

Sensitive to vector and axial-vector couplings: non-zero  $A_{FB}$  because the coupling of the  $Z$  to lefthanded and righthanded particles is different (for pure QED interactions  $A_{FB}$  would be zero)

# Summary of Precision Measurements at LEP & SLC



- Good overall consistency of a wide range of measurements with SM precision calculations observed

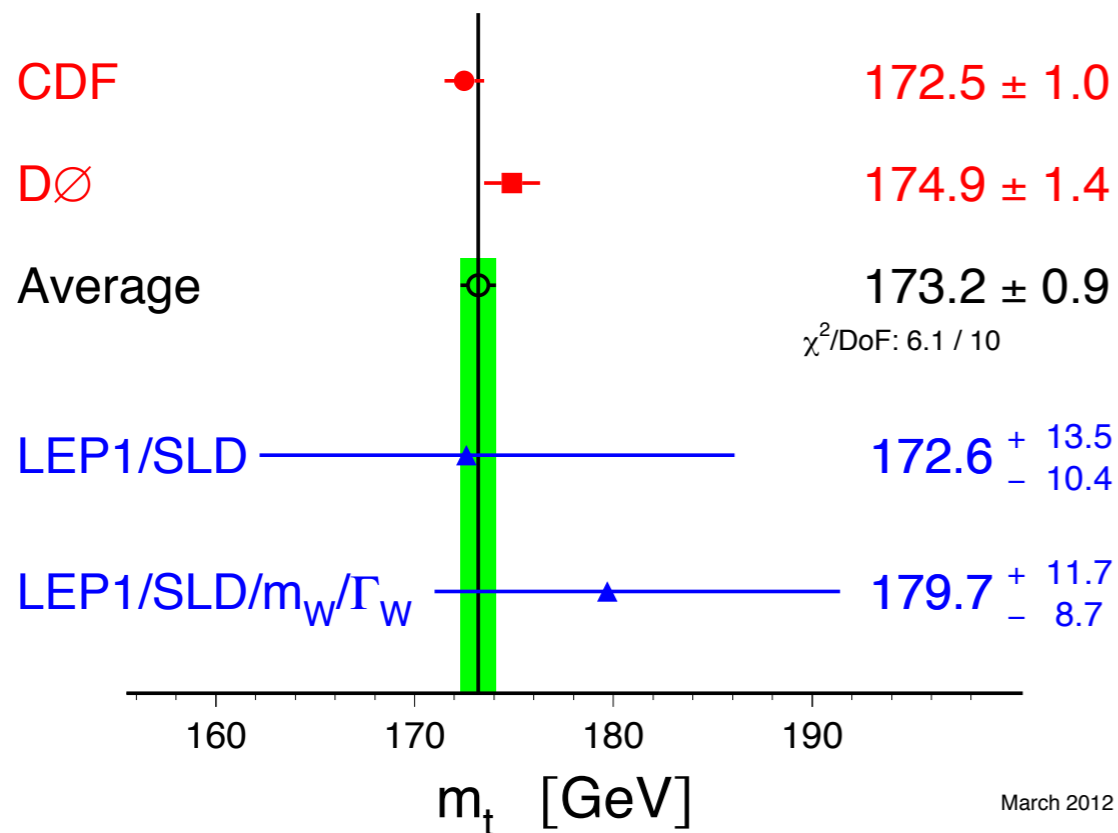
includes data from Tevatron:  $M_t, M_W$

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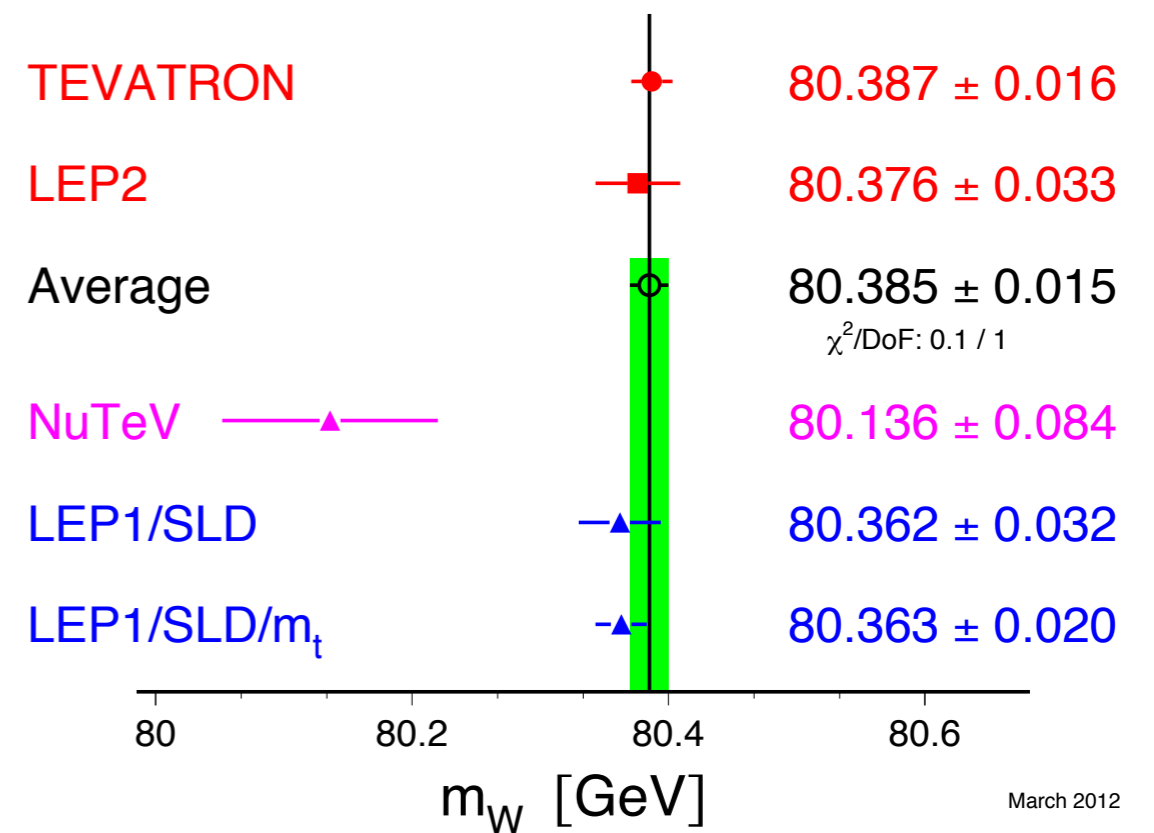


# Indirect vs direct Measurements

Top-Quark Mass [GeV]

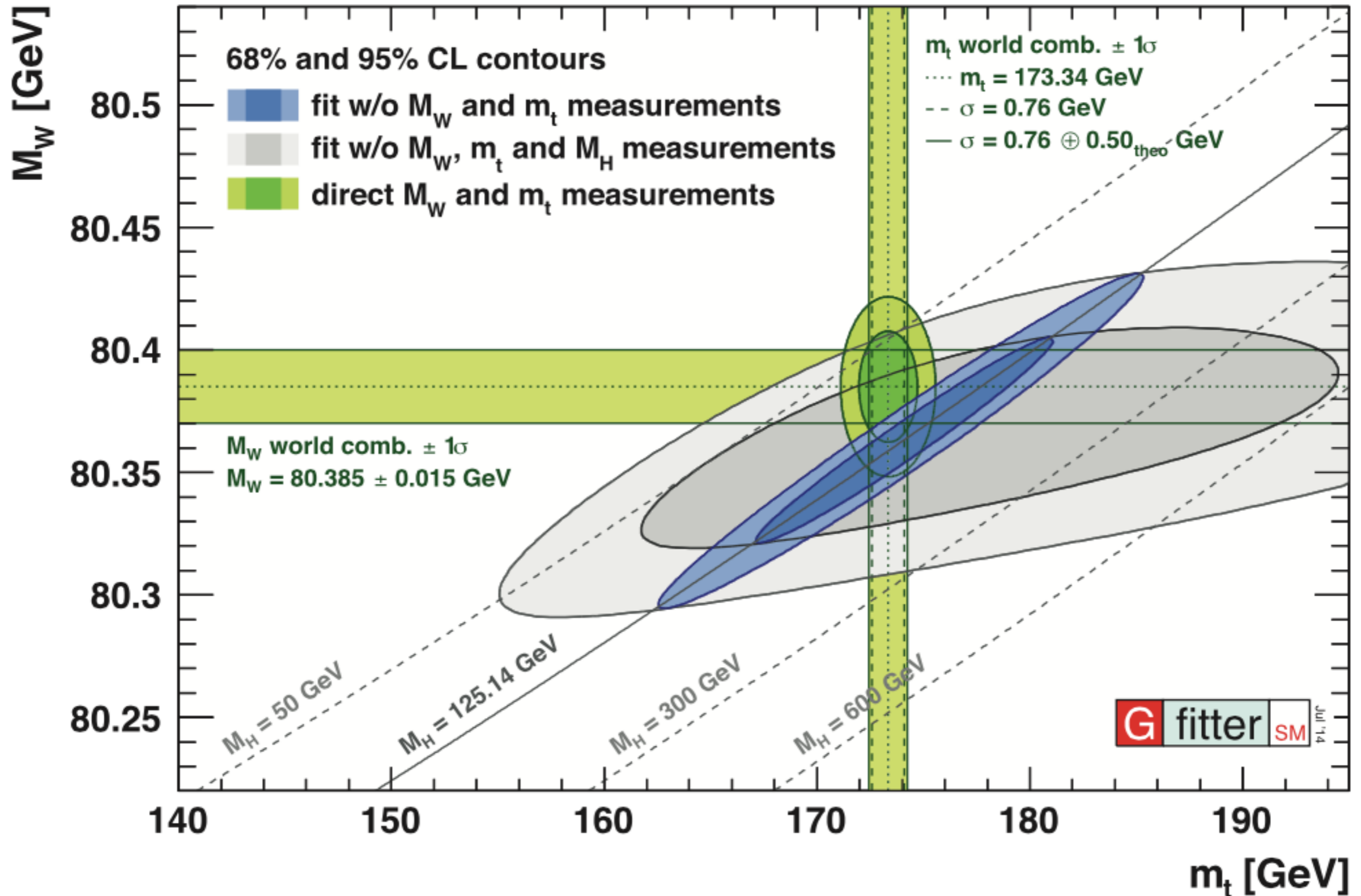


W-Boson Mass [GeV]



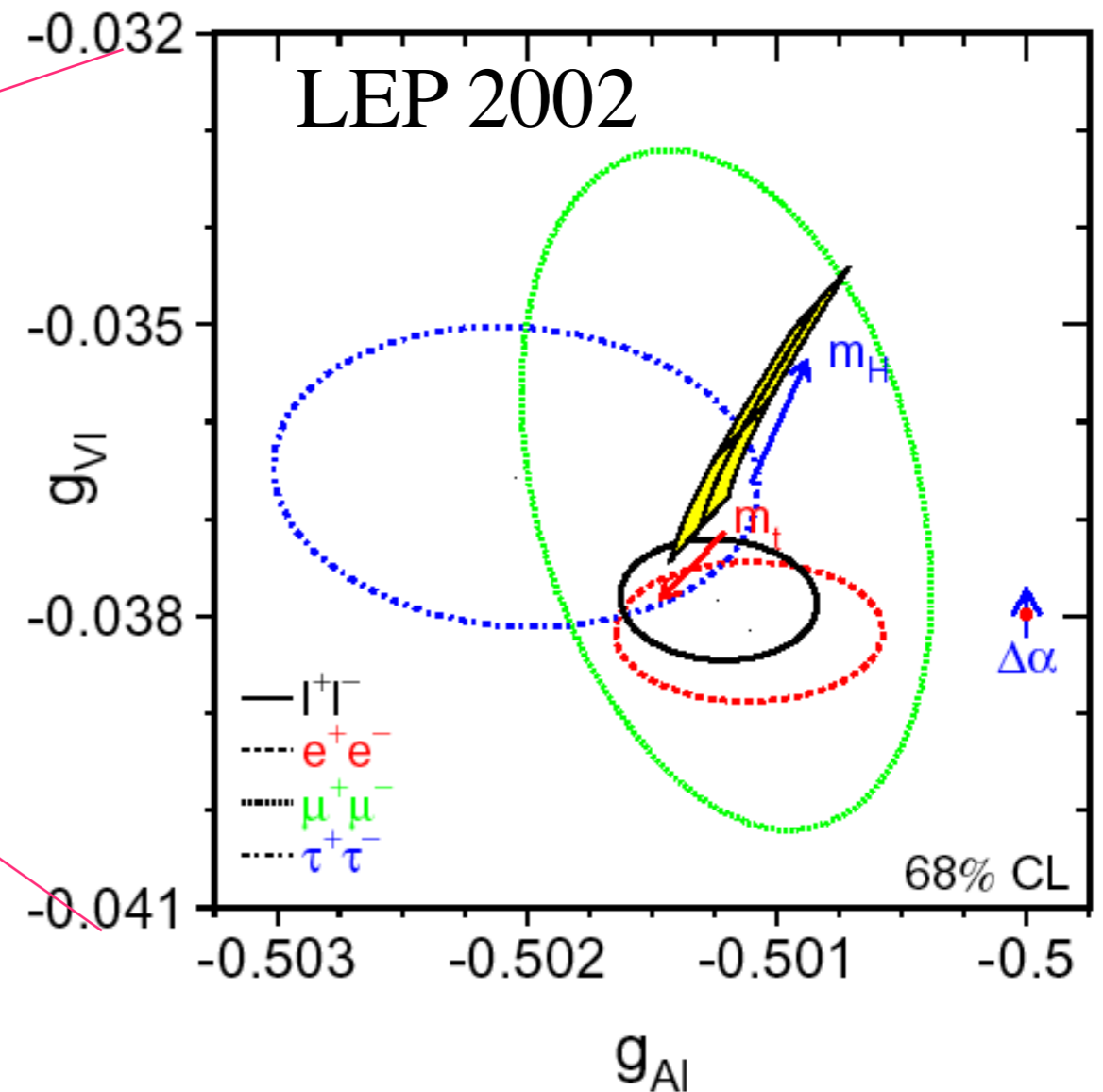
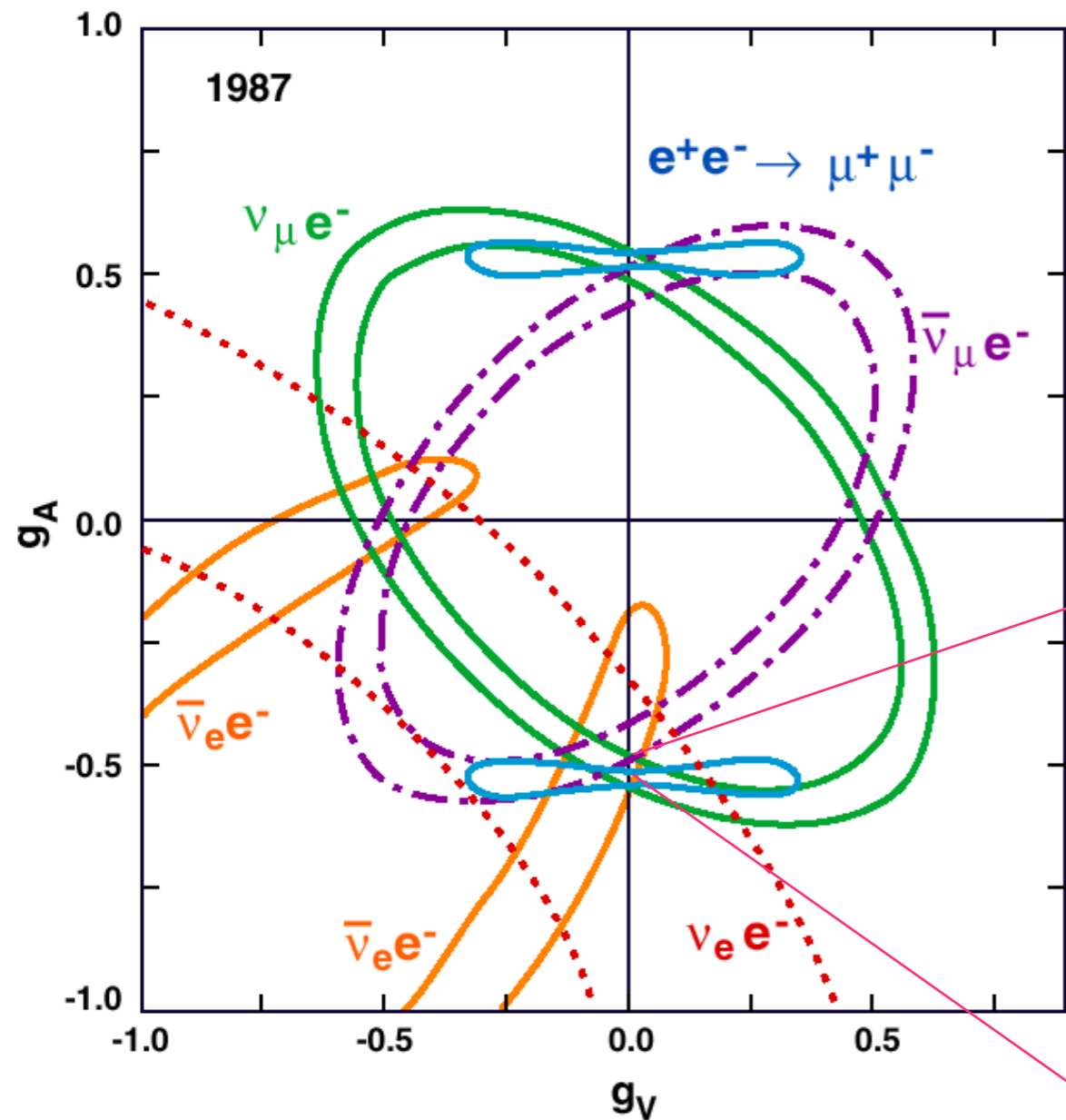
- Indirect measurements use SM “as-is”, fitting unknown particle masses using radiative / loop corrections sensitive to these particles

# Consistency of direct & indirect Mass Measurements



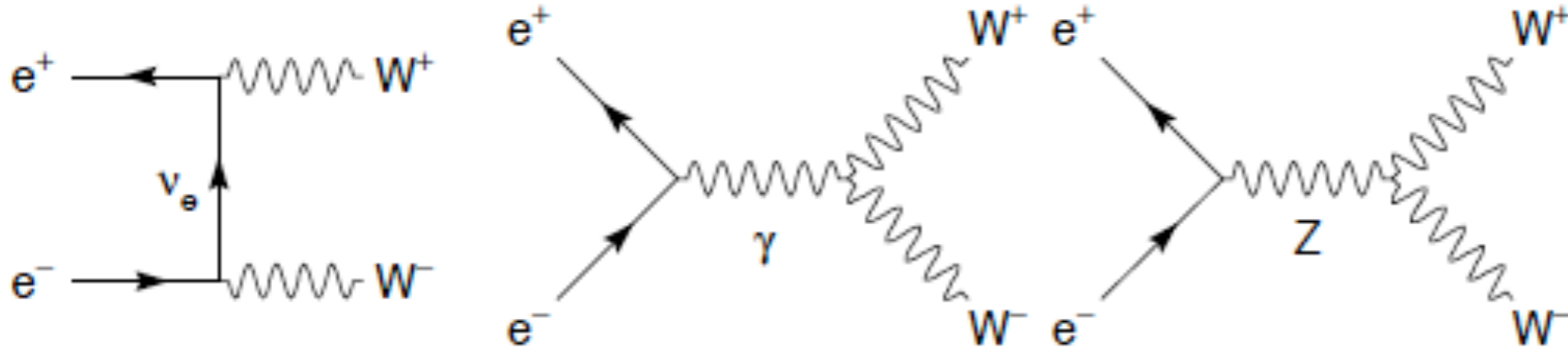
# Measuring Axial and Vector Couplings

- Precision result on Vector and Axial-vector couplings: Precision provided by LEP

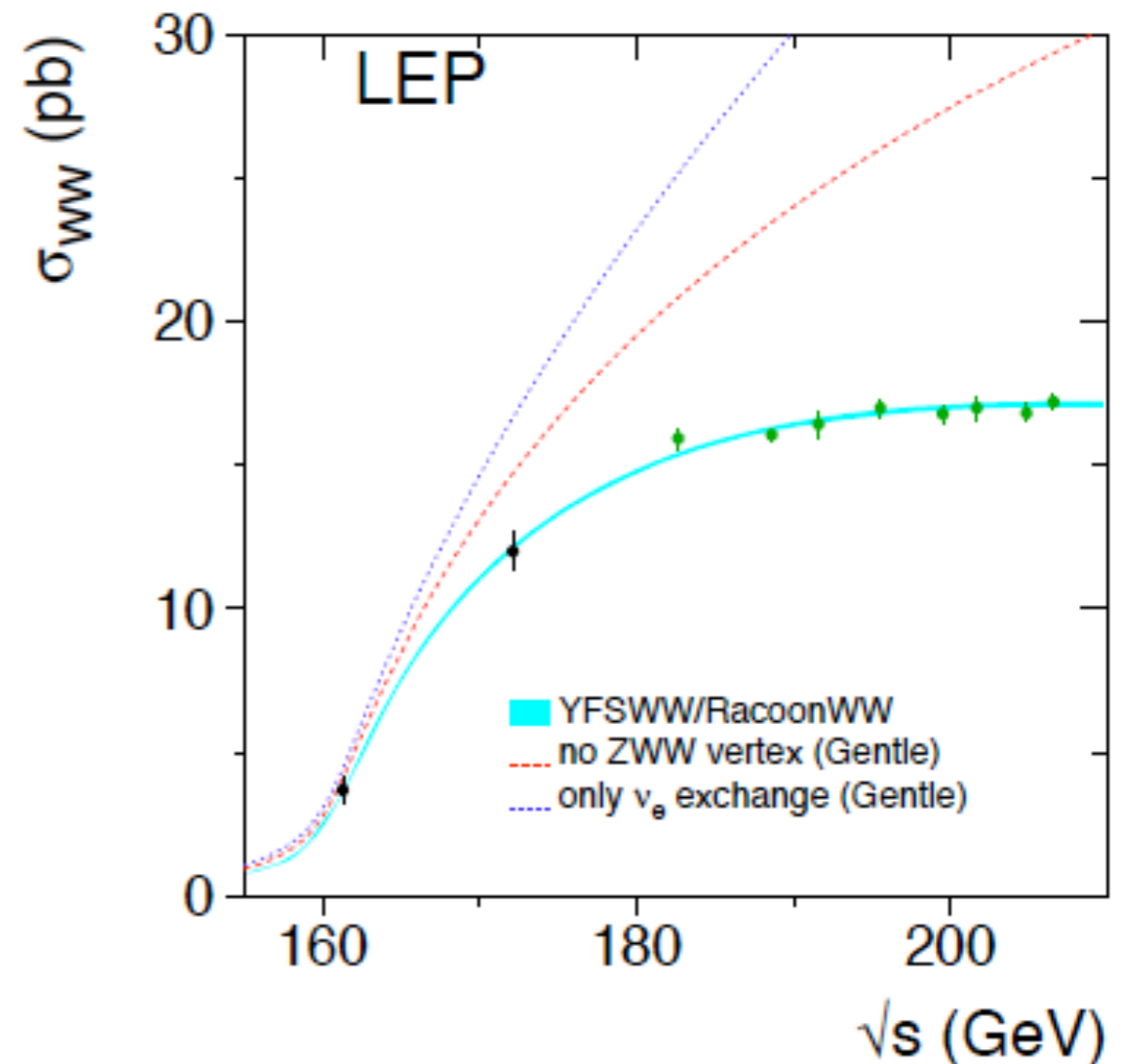




# Coupling of Vector Bosons



- Coupling of vector bosons: A key element of the group structure of the SM
- Observed in energy dependence of  $W$  pair production cross section

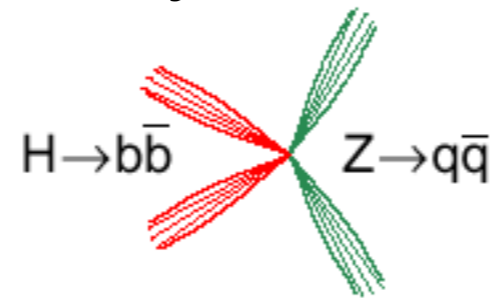
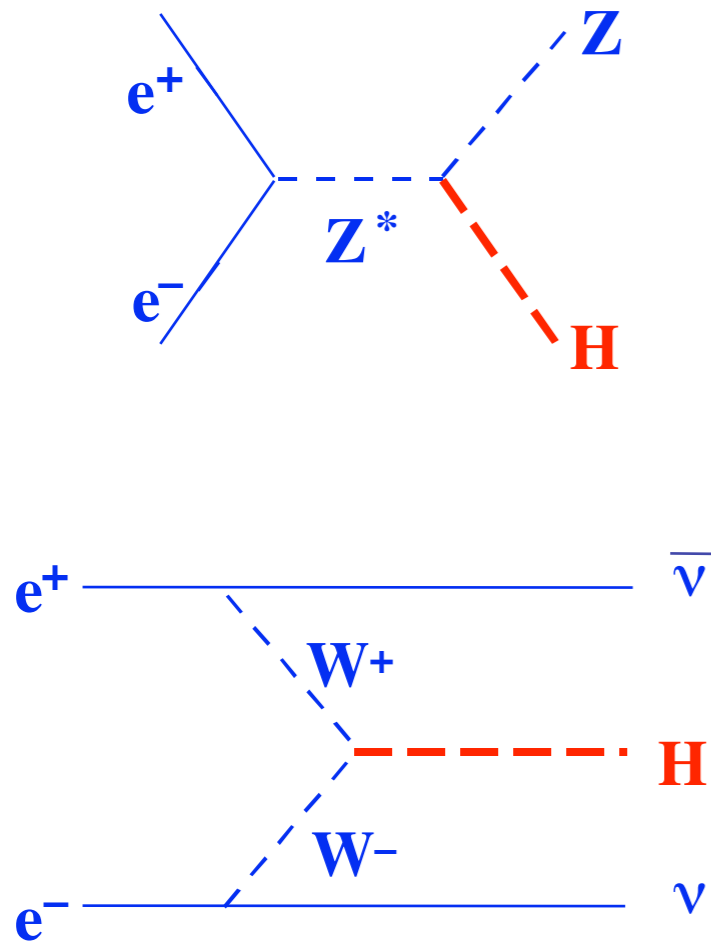


# Searching for the Higgs @ LEP

Production:

decay channel ( $e^+e^- \rightarrow HZ$ ):

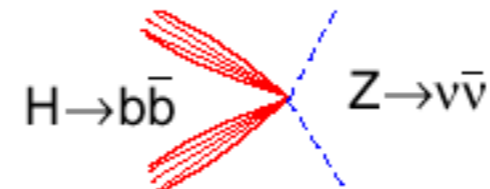
background:



**4-Jet-Kanal**

51%

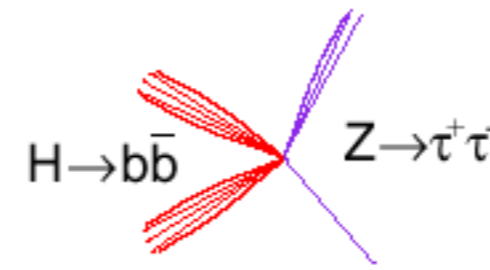
$WW \rightarrow qq\bar{q}\bar{q}, ZZ \rightarrow bb\bar{q}\bar{q}$   
QCD 4jets



**Neutrino-Kanal**

15%

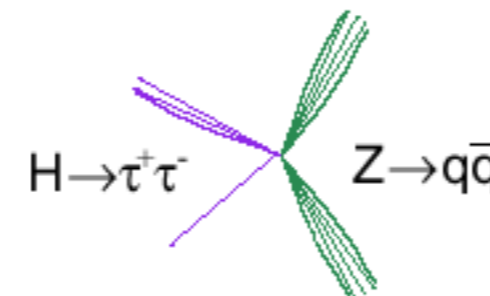
$WW \rightarrow qq\nu\bar{\nu}, ZZ \rightarrow bb\nu\bar{\nu}$



**Tau-Kanal**

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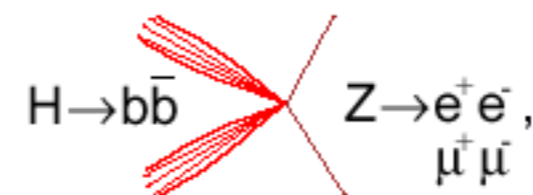
$WW \rightarrow qq\tau\nu, ZZ \rightarrow qq\tau\tau$   
QCD (low-mult. jets)



**Lepton-Kanal**

5.1%

$ZZ \rightarrow b\bar{b}l\bar{l}$



4.9%

includes about 80% of all final states with about 40-50% selection efficiencies



# Higgs Searches at LEP: History

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status July 2000: no hint for the Higgs;  $M_H > 113.3 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  (95% CL)

*[final status July 2001:  $M_H > 114.1 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ ]*

5. Sept. 2000: ALEPH sees excess in 4-Jet channel, compatible with  $M_H \sim 115 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ .

LEP-combination:  $2.2 \sigma$  excess over background

14. Sept. 2000: LEP-shutdown extended by 1 month, until 2. November 2000

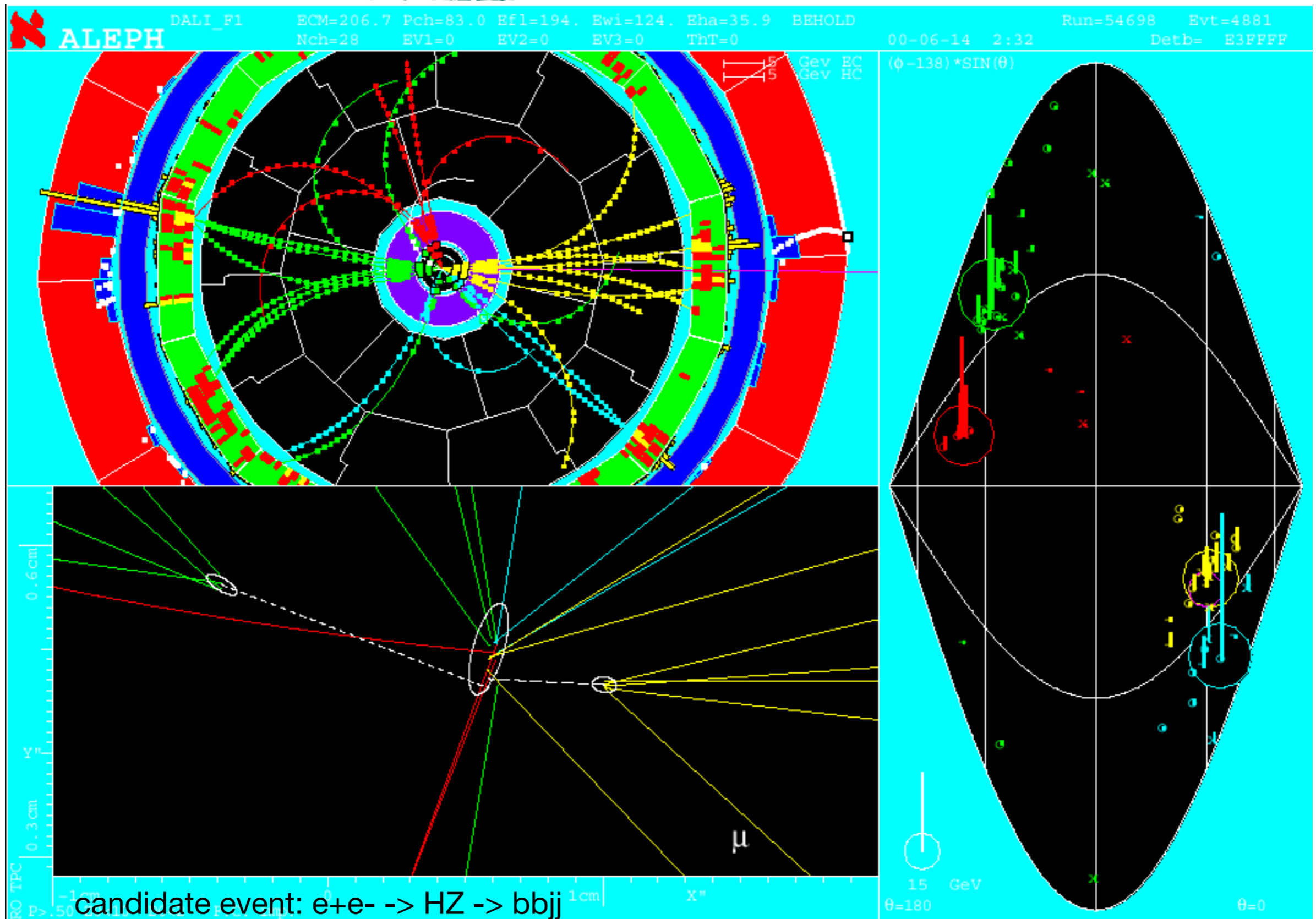
3. Nov. 2000: further candidate events increase significance to  $2.9 \sigma$ .

LEP-experiments ask for LEP run in 2001

*[status July 2001: after re-analyses (calibration) only  $2.1 \sigma$  !]*

8. Nov. 2000: LEP irrevocably shut down.

# An Event that got People excited...



# Indirect Higgs Constraints before LHC

- Constraints from global fits, using radiative corrections that are sensitive to H

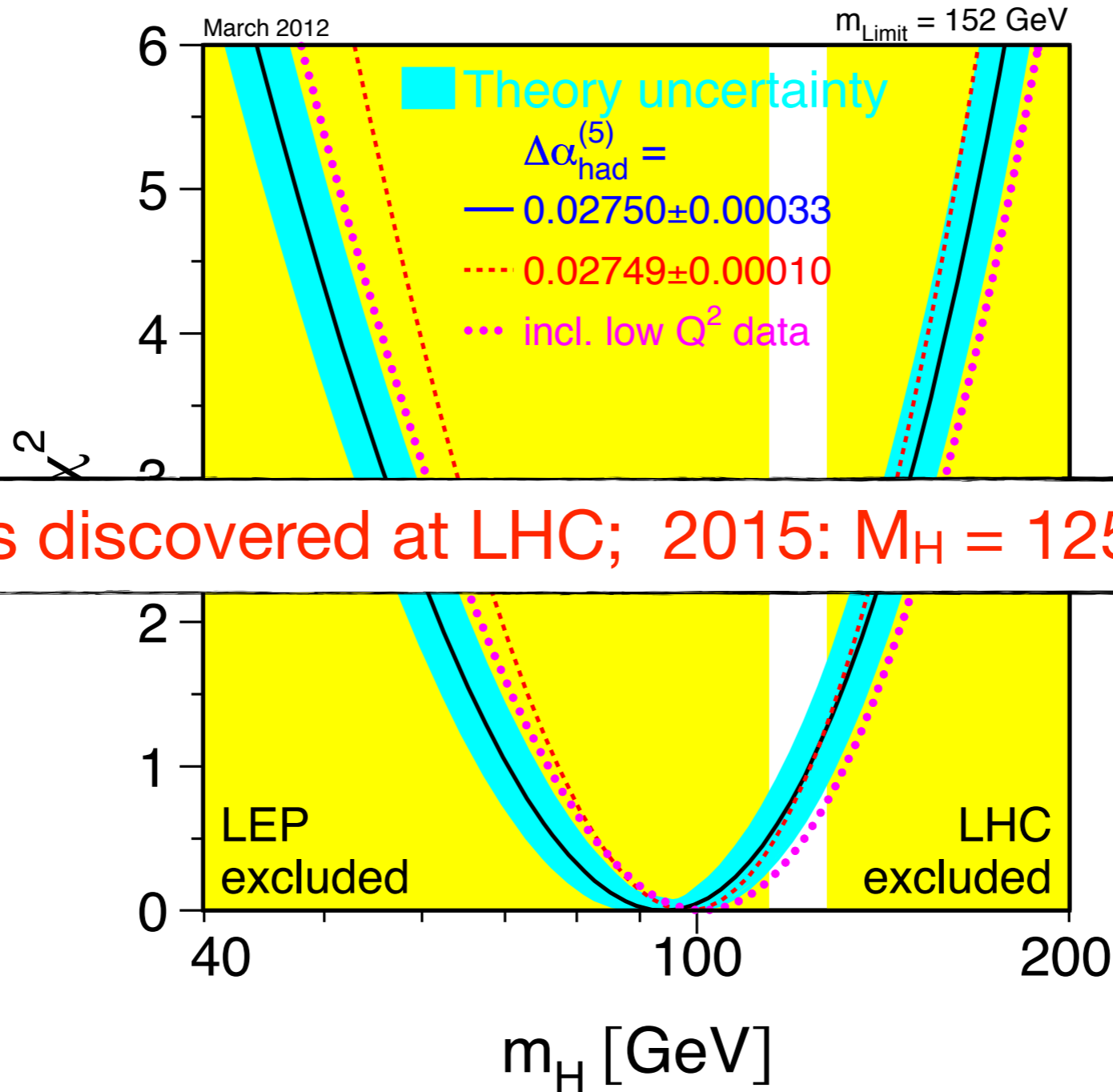
	- 1 - LEP including LEP-II $m_W, \Gamma_W$	- 2 - all Z-pole data	- 3 - all Z-pole data plus $m_t$	- 4 - all Z-pole data plus $m_W, \Gamma_W$	- 5 - all data except NuTeV	- 6 - all data
$m_t$ [GeV]	$184^{+13}_{-11}$	$171^{+11}_{-9}$	$173.6^{+4.7}_{-4.6}$	$180^{+11}_{-9}$	$175.4^{+4.3}_{-4.2}$	$174.3^{+4.5}_{-4.3}$
$m_H$ [GeV]	$228^{+367}_{-136}$	$81^{+107}_{-40}$	$99^{+64}_{-40}$	$117^{+161}_{-63}$	$78^{+48}_{-31}$	$81^{+52}_{-33}$
$\log(m_H/\text{GeV})$	$2.36^{+0.42}_{-0.39}$	$1.91^{+0.37}_{-0.30}$	$1.99^{+0.22}_{-0.23}$	$2.07^{+0.38}_{-0.33}$	$1.89^{+0.21}_{-0.22}$	$1.91^{+0.22}_{-0.23}$
$\alpha_S(m_Z^2)$	$0.1199 \pm 0.0030$	$0.1186 \pm 0.0027$	$0.1187 \pm 0.0027$	$0.1185 \pm 0.0027$	$0.1181 \pm 0.0027$	$0.1183 \pm 0.0027$
$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} (P)$	13.3/9 (15%)	14.8/10 (14%)	14.9/11 (19%)	17.9/12 (12%)	20.5/14 (11%)	29.7/15 (1.3%)
$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^{\text{lept}}$	$0.23160$ $\pm 0.00018$	$0.23145$ $\pm 0.00016$	$0.23145$ $\pm 0.00016$	$0.23135$ $\pm 0.00015$	$0.23131$ $\pm 0.00015$	$0.23136$ $\pm 0.00015$
$\sin^2 \theta_W$	$0.22284$ $\pm 0.00053$	$0.22313$ $\pm 0.00063$	$0.22299$ $\pm 0.00045$	$0.22240$ $\pm 0.00045$	$0.22255$ $\pm 0.00036$	$0.22272$ $\pm 0.00036$
$m_W$ [GeV]	$80.388 \pm 0.027$	$80.373 \pm 0.032$	$80.380 \pm 0.023$	$80.410 \pm 0.023$	$80.403 \pm 0.019$	$80.394 \pm 0.019$

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Table 16.2: Results of the fits to: (1) LEP data alone, (2) all Z-pole data (LEP-1 and SLD), (3) all Z-pole data plus direct  $m_t$  determinations, (4) all Z-pole data plus direct  $m_W$  and direct  $\Gamma_W$  determinations, (5) all data (including APV) except NuTeV, and (6) all data. As the sensitivity to  $m_H$  is logarithmic, both  $m_H$  as well as  $\log(m_H/\text{GeV})$  are quoted. The bottom part of the table lists derived results for  $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^{\text{lept}}$ ,  $\sin^2 \theta_W$  and  $m_W$ . See text for a discussion of theoretical errors not included in the errors above.

\*  $M_H < 185 \text{ GeV (95\% c.l.)}$

# Indirect & Direct Higgs Constraints pre-2012

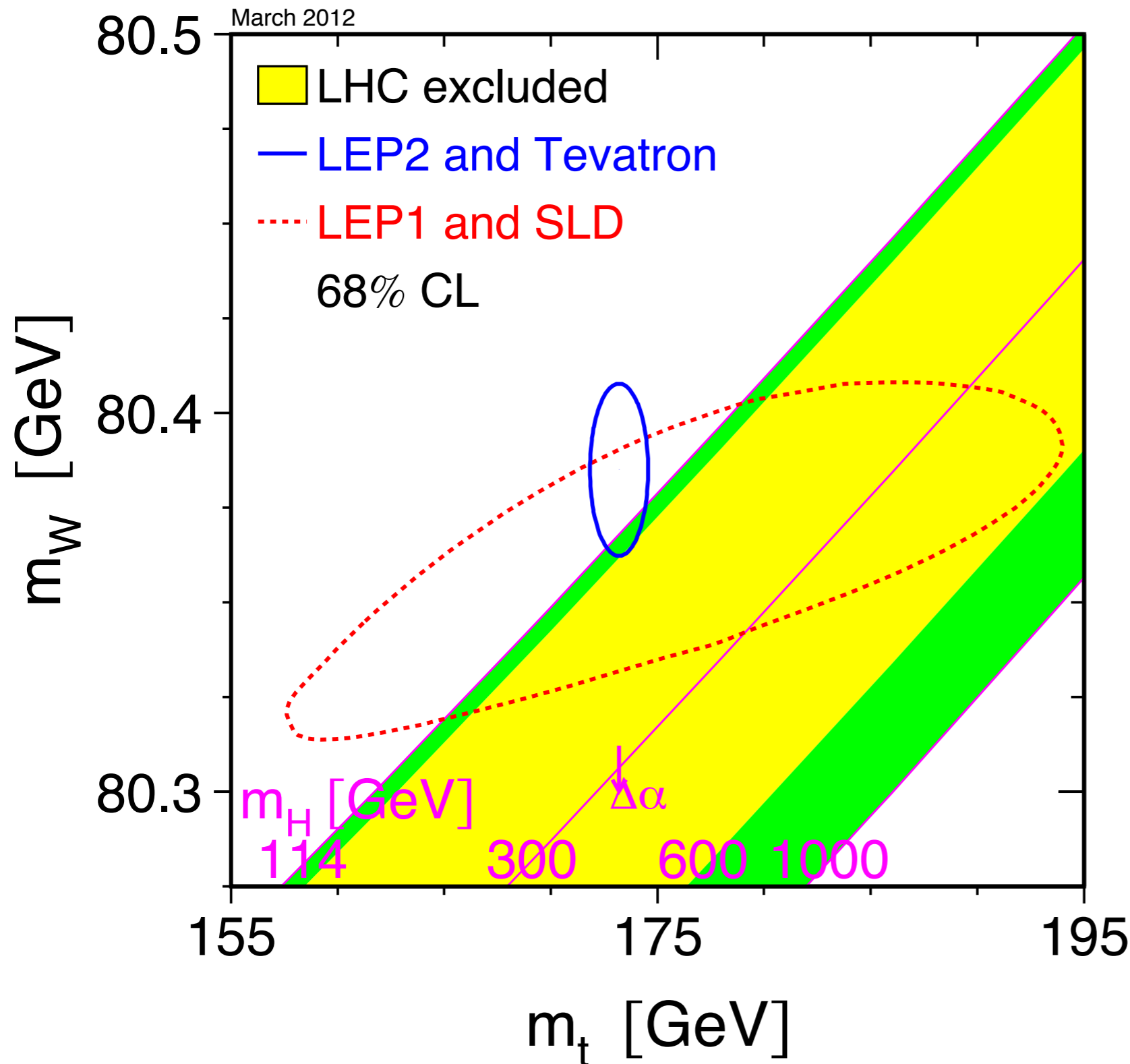


July 2012: Higgs discovered at LHC; 2015:  $M_H = 125.09 \pm 0.24 \text{ GeV}$

from direct search:  $114.1(\text{LEP}) 115.5 (\text{LHC}) < M_H < 131 \text{ GeV}/c^2 (\text{LHC})$

..... indirect: radiative corrections:  $M_H < 186 (157) \text{ GeV}/c^2 (95\% \text{ CL})$

# Direct & Indirect: Comparison



( $m_t$ ,  $m_W$  measured)

(fit, from rad. corr.)

- Direct and indirect mass measurements in good agreement
- After LEP2 it was clear that the (SM) Higgs had to be light!

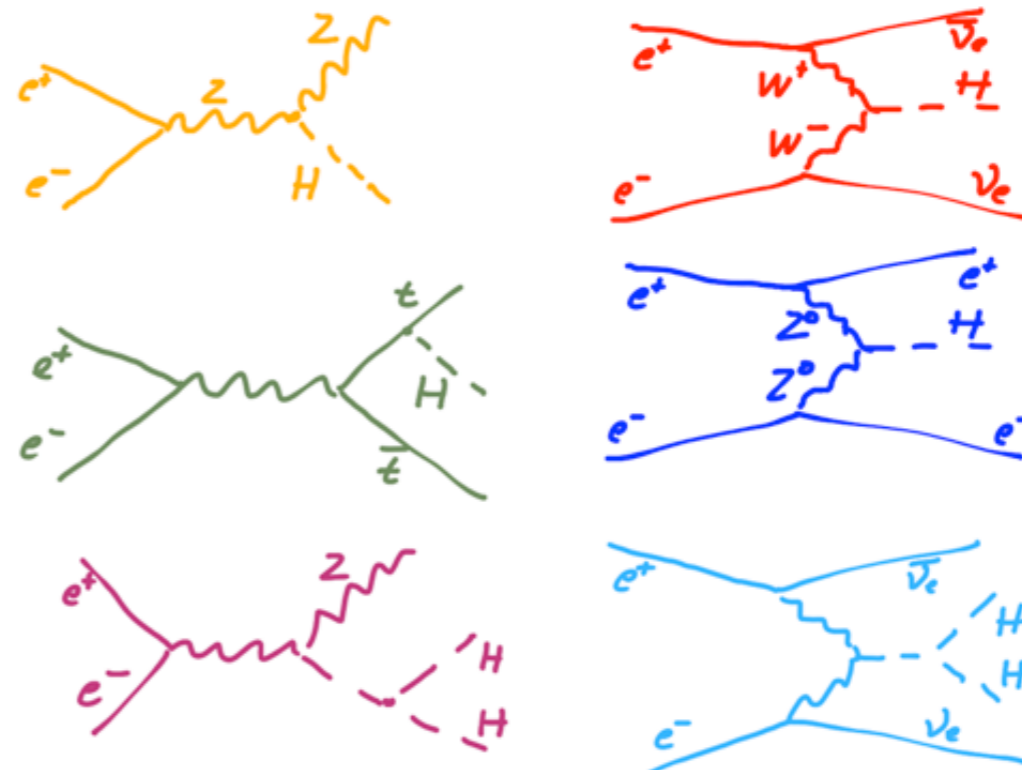
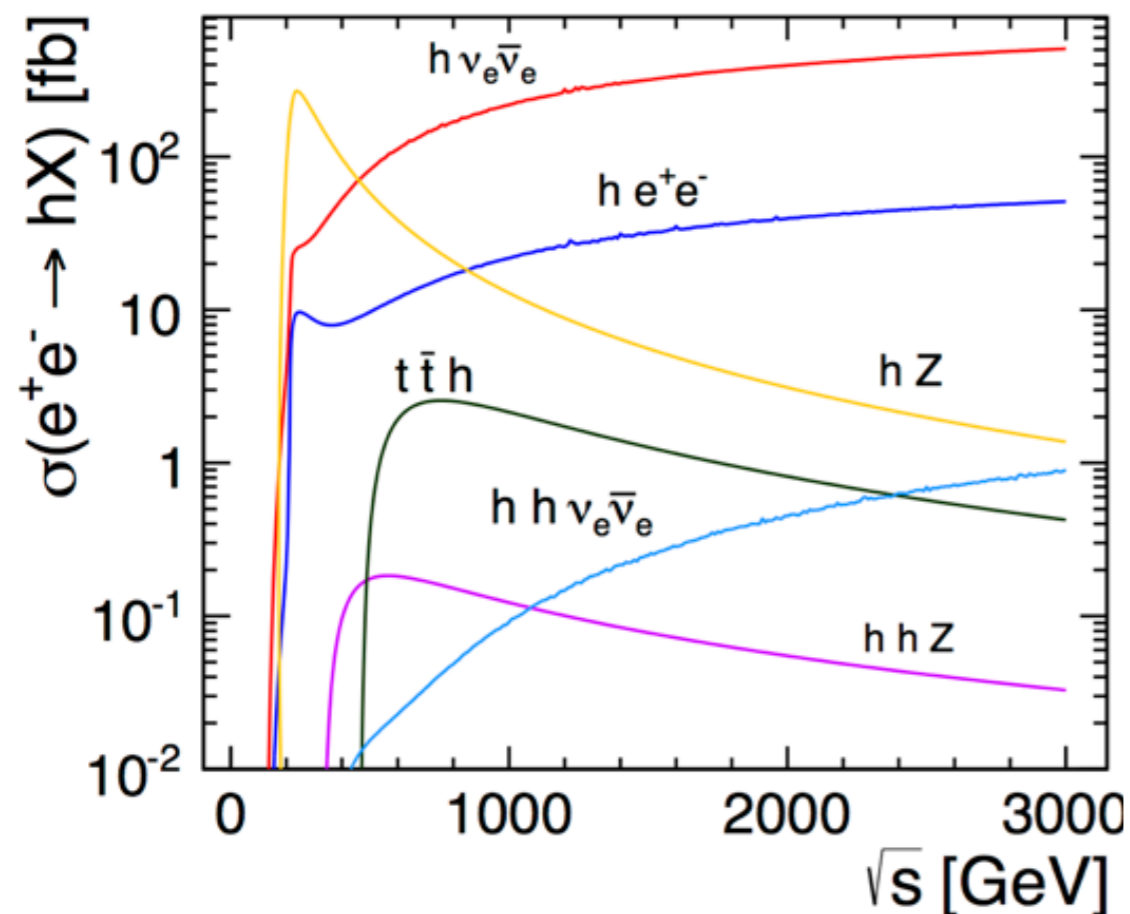


# A Word on the Future

- Currently discussing the Update of the European Strategy for Particle Physics

- Main focus: Plans for post-LHC colliders

The emerging consensus: Highest priority for an  $e^+e^-$  collider to explore the Higgs particle with highest precision



- Access to various Higgs properties via several production mechanisms
- Different energy to access different processes - from **250 GeV** to **1 TeV** and beyond

# Summary

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- The (electroweak) Standard Model combines QED and the weak interaction theory to describe electromagnetic and weak interactions - based on the Gauge Group  $SU(2) \times U(1)$
- It has been extremely successful in describing all observations to date
- Measurements at  $e^+e^-$  colliders (LEP, SLC) have been crucial to prove the validity of the Standard Model
- The detailed study of the  $Z^0$  in particular has provided key information
  - 3 families
  - Vector and axial-vector couplings
  - ...
- All together: Allowed to make prediction for not yet observed particles: Top Quark, Higgs
  - All particles in the SM now observed, no obvious “crack” found to date

Next Lecture: 03.06., “Neutrinos: Freeze out, cosmological implications, structure formation”, B. Majorovits



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