

Standard Model

Electroweak physics with Z^0
bosons

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 - LEP
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 - Z^0 lineshape measurements
 - couplings, $\sin^2\theta_W$
 - Hadronic asymmetries of Z^0 decay products
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- **What this says about top mass**

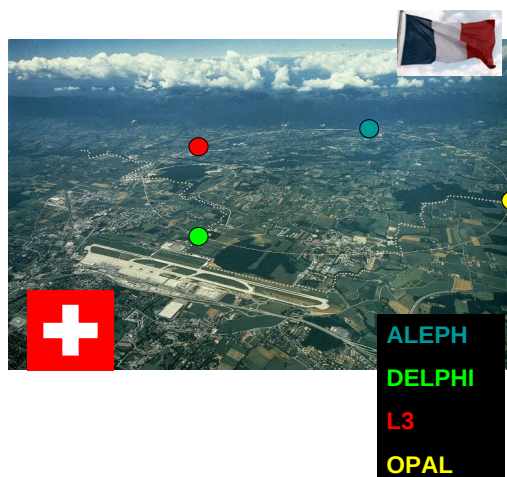
SLC

- e^+e^- linear accelerator
- 1 experiment
- $\sqrt{s} = 91.2 \text{ GeV}$
- Uses polarised electron beams (500 000 Z^0)



LEP

- e^+e^- collider
- 4 experiments
- $\sqrt{s} = 91.2 \text{ GeV}$ ($\rightarrow 1996$) (200 pb^{-1})
- $\sqrt{s} \rightarrow 210 \text{ GeV}$ (2000) (650 pb^{-1})
- nb. Site of LHC pp collider, $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$, 2007 $\rightarrow$



Tests of SM with Z^0 bosons

- Define set of 5 most uncorrelated observables to test SM:
 - Z^0 mass,
 - Z^0 width,
 - hadronic cross-section,
 - ratio of leptons/hadrons,
 - forward backward asymmetry

Z^0 lineshape

asymmetries

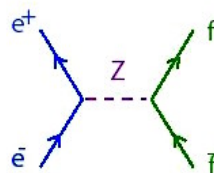
Measure as many observables as possible,

Express observables as functions of unknowns in SM

Fit for unknowns – 1) value of unknowns, 2) test consistency of model

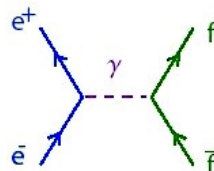
Z^0 production in e^+e^- colliders

2 production processes:



Dominates near M_{Z^0}

Depends on $M_Z, \Gamma_Z, \Gamma_e, \Gamma_f$



Small at LEP, SLD

Depends on α

+ interference terms dependent on M_Z, Γ_Z

Z⁰ lineshape measurements

Hadronic pole cross-section σ^0 related to total, partial widths of Z⁰

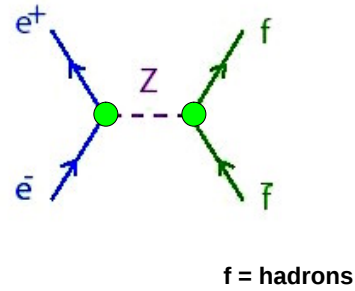
$$\sigma^0 = (12\pi/M_Z^2)\Gamma_{ee}\Gamma_{had}/\Gamma_Z^2$$

Γ_{ee} = partial width for Z⁰→e⁺e⁻

Γ_{had} = partial width for Z⁰→hadrons

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M_Z = Z⁰ mass (measured)



Measure σ^0 , M_Z , $G_Z \rightarrow \Gamma_{ee}\Gamma_{had}$

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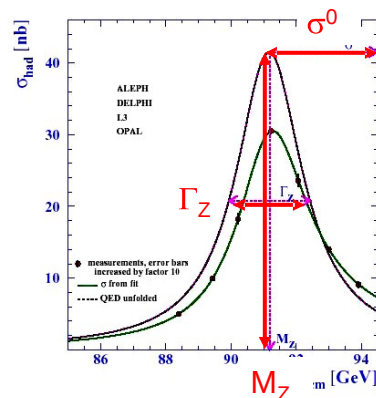
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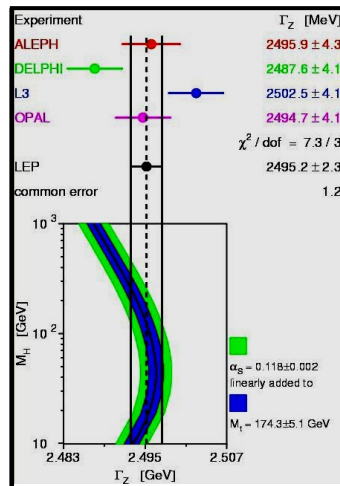
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Measurements of Γ_Z



Z^0 lineshape **measurements**

Partial widths $\Gamma_{ee}\Gamma_{had}$ are proportional to ewk Z^0 couplings:

$$\Gamma_{ff} = (G_F \sqrt{2} M_Z^3 / 12\pi) (g_{vf}^2 + g_{af}^2) N_{col}$$

- $N_{col} = 1$ (leptons), 3 (quarks)
- Effective couplings $g_{vf}, g_{af} \propto \sin^2\theta_W$:
- $g_{af} = \pm 1/2$
- $g_{vf} = \pm 1/2 - 2\sin^2\theta_W$

Fundamental SM parameter

Z⁰ lineshape measurements

- Can **measure** ratios of partial width Γ_{ll}/Γ_{had}
 - Compare how often $Z^0 \rightarrow \text{leptons}$ compared to $Z^0 \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$
 - Measure $\Gamma_{ee}\Gamma_{had}$ and Γ_{ee}/Γ_{had}
 - Input G_F , M_Z , extract couplings g_{vf} , g_{af}
 - Extract **$\sin^2\theta_w$**

No. neutrino species

Input measured Γ_Z , Γ_{uu} , Γ_{dd} ,
 Γ_{ss} , Γ_{cc} , Γ_{bb} , Γ_{ee} , $\Gamma_{\mu\mu}$, $\Gamma_{\tau\tau}$

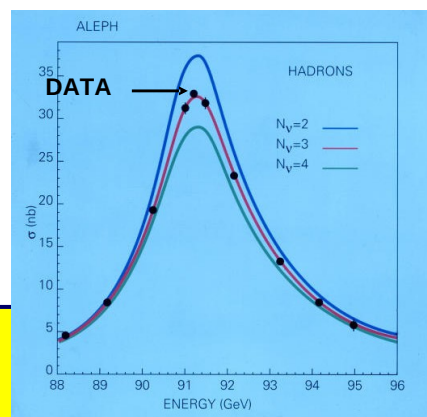
Input theoretical $\Gamma_{\nu\nu}$

Calculate N_ν

$$\Gamma_Z = \Gamma_{uu} + \Gamma_{dd} + \Gamma_{ss} + \Gamma_{cc} + \Gamma_{bb} + \Gamma_{ee} + \Gamma_{\mu\mu} + \Gamma_{\tau\tau} + N_\nu \Gamma_{\nu\nu}$$

$$N_\nu = (\Gamma_Z - (\Gamma_{uu} + \Gamma_{dd} + \Gamma_{ss} + \Gamma_{cc} + \Gamma_{bb} + \Gamma_{ee} + \Gamma_{\mu\mu} + \Gamma_{\tau\tau})) / \Gamma_{\nu\nu}$$

$$= 2.984 \pm 0.008$$



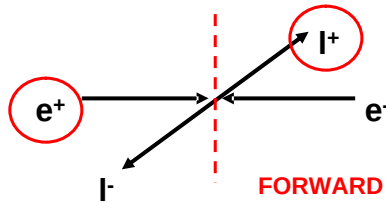
Asymmetries with Z⁰ bosons

Measure effective couplings
of Z⁰ to fermions:

$$A_{FB}^f = (N^f - N^b)/(N^f + N^b)$$

N^f = number "forward"

N^b = number "backward"



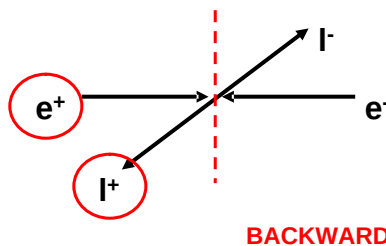
$$A_{FB}^f = 3/4 A_e A_f$$

where

$$A_f = 2g_{vf}g_{af}/g_{vf}^2 + g_{af}^2$$

$$= 2(g_{vf}/g_{af})/(1 + (g_{vf}/g_{af})^2)$$

And $g_{vf}/g_{af} \propto \sin^2\theta_w$



Asymmetries cont.

How do we find A_e?

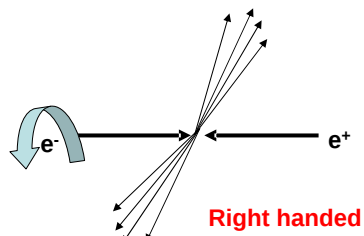
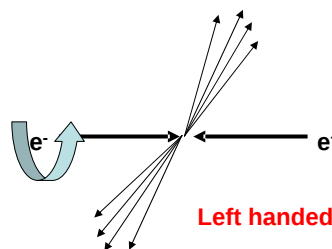
– Measure A_{LR} at SLC

$$A_{LR}^f = (\sigma_L^f - \sigma_R^f)/(\sigma_L^f + \sigma_R^f)$$

– σ_{L(R)}^f = total production
cross-section for left
(right) handed
polarisation of e⁻
beams

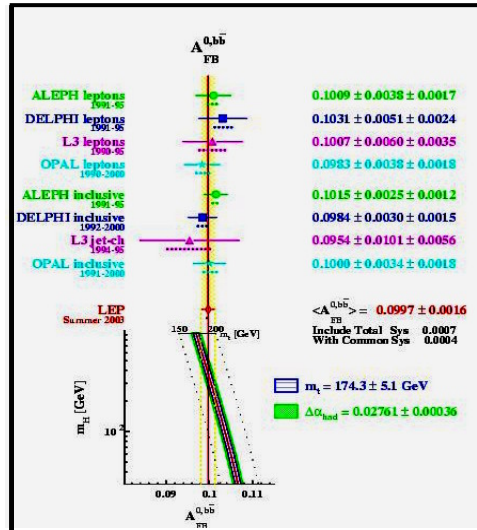
$$A_{LR}^f = A_e$$

$$\propto \sin^2\theta_w \text{ (eff)}$$



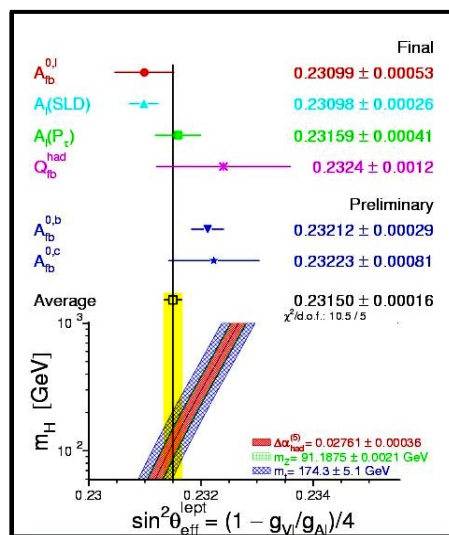
→ lots of independent measurements of sin²θ_w

Current A_{FB} measurements



A_{FB} for $b\bar{b}$ pairs
Many more asymmetries measured ...

Current $\sin^2\theta_W$ measurements



SM prediction of top mass

Can combine measurements X_i of lineshape and asymmetries in global fit to SM:

Express each observable X_i as

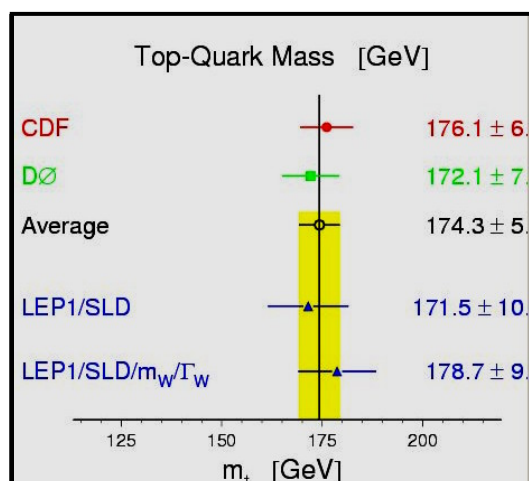
$$X_i = X_i(\alpha(M_Z^2), G_F, M_Z, M_t, M_H, \alpha_s(M_Z^2))$$

Constrain to measured values

Fixed at 300 GeV, systematically varied

1. Compare observed values to fitted SM values
2. Obtain values for $M(\text{top})$ and $\alpha_s(M_Z^2)$ from fit

SM prediction of top mass



Indirect measurements told Tevatron where to look for top!

Review

- SM tested extensively in Z^0 sector
 - Cross-section, asymmetries sensitive to $\sin^2 \theta_W$, vector and axial couplings g_{Vf} , g_{Af}
 - Many independent measurements allow consistency of SM inputs to be tested
- Given experimental inputs of SM parameters, top mass can be predicted.

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