## The hunt for new physics at the LHC

- The standard model
- Testing the standard model
- Problems
- Beyond the standard model/paradigm
- New physics at the LHC



The Standard Model

- Standard model:  $SU(2) \times U(1)$  (extended to include  $\nu$  masses) + QCD + general relativity
- Mathematically consistent, renormalizable theory
- Correct to  $10^{-16}$  cm:
  - QCD: short distance, long distance symmetries
  - QED, WCC, WNC, W, Z
  - Gauge self-interactions
- Missing: Higgs (or alternative), dark matter, dark energy
- Complicated, free parameters, fine tunings  $\Rightarrow$  must be new physics

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## The Fundamental Forces



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# Unification of Forces

Strong	Electromagnetic	Weak	Gravity	
hadrons: $p, n;$ pions: $\pi^{\pm}, \pi^{0};$ (QCD:quarks,gluons)	charged particles: $e^-, \mu^-, \tau^-;$ $p; \pi^\pm$	$p,n,\pi;~e,\mu, au;,$ neutrinos: $ u_e, u_\mu, u_ au$	all particles (always attractive)	
nuclear binding; energy in stars	atoms, crystals, molecules; light; chemical energy	$egin{array}{cc}  ext{decays:} & n &  ightarrow \ pe^- ar{ u}_e; &  ext{element} \  ext{synthesis} \end{array}$	weight; binding of solar system, stars, galaxies	
	$\leftarrow E + B \rightarrow$ (Maxwell)			
$\leftarrow$ QCD $\rightarrow$	$\leftarrow Electroweak \ (S$			
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$\leftarrow \qquad \text{Theory of Everything (superstring)?} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad $				

## The Standard Model

 $\bullet$  Gauge group SU(3) imes SU(2) imes U(1); gauge couplings  $g_s$ , g,~g'

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} \boldsymbol{u} \\ \boldsymbol{d} \end{array}\right)_{\boldsymbol{L}} \quad \left(\begin{array}{c} \boldsymbol{\nu}_{\boldsymbol{e}} \\ \boldsymbol{e}^{-} \end{array}\right)_{\boldsymbol{L}}$$

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• SU(3):  $u \leftrightarrow u \leftrightarrow u$ ,  $d \leftrightarrow d \leftrightarrow d$  (8 gluons)

- SU(2):  $u_L \leftrightarrow d_L$ ,  $\nu_{eL} \leftrightarrow e_L^ (W^{\pm})$ ; phases  $(W^0)$
- *U*(1): phases (*B*)
- Heavy families  $(c, s, \nu_{\mu}, \mu^{-}), \ (t, b, \nu_{\tau}, \tau^{-})$

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# Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)

- QCD now very well established
- Short distance behavior (asymptotic freedom)
- Confinement, light hadron spectrum (lattice)
  - $g_s = O(1)$  ( $lpha_s(M_Z) = g_s^2/4\pi \sim 0.12$ )
  - Strength + gluon self-interactions  $\Rightarrow$  confinement
  - Yukawa model  $\Rightarrow$  dipole-dipole
- Approximate global  $SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R$  symmetry and breaking  $(\pi, K, \eta$  are pseudo-goldstone bosons)
- Unique field theory of strong interactions



# Quantum Electrodynamics (QED)

Experiment	Value of $lpha^{-1}$	Precision	$\Delta_{oldsymbol{e}}$
$a_{oldsymbol{e}}=(g_{oldsymbol{e}}-2)/2$	$137.035 \ 999 \ 683 \ (94)$	$[6.9  imes 10^{-10}]$	-
h/m (Rb, Cs)	$137.035 \ 999 \ 35 \ (69)$	$[5.0 imes10^{-9}]$	$0.33\pm0.69$
Quantum Hall	137.036  003  0  (25)	$[1.8 imes10^{-8}]$	$-3.3\pm2.5$
h/m (neutron)	137.036  007  7  (28)	$[2.1 imes10^{-8}]$	$-8.0\pm2.8$
$\gamma_{p,3He}^{}$ (J. J.)	$137.035 \ 987 \ 5 \ (43)$	$[3.1 imes10^{-8}]$	$12.2 \pm 4.3$
$\mu^+e^-$ hyperfine	137.036  001  7  (80)	$[5.8 imes10^{-8}]$	$-2.0\pm8.0$

#### **Spectacularly successful:**

Most precise: e anomalous magnetic moment  $\rightarrow \alpha$ Many low energy tests to few  $\times 10^{-8}$  $m_{\gamma} < 6 \times 10^{-17}$  eV,  $q_{\gamma} < 5 \times 10^{-30} |e|$ Running  $\alpha(Q^2)$  observed

Muon g - 2 sensitive to new physics. Anomaly?

## The Electroweak Theory

- QED and weak charged current unified
- Weak neutral current (Z)predicted  $(\nu N \rightarrow \nu X)$ , atomic parity violation
- Stringent tests of WCC, *CP*-violation, WNC, *Z*pole, beyond
- Fermion gauge and gauge self-interactions



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- SM correct and unique to zeroth approx. (gauge principle, group, representations)
- SM correct at loop level (renorm gauge theory;  $m_t$ ,  $\alpha_s$ ,  $M_H$ )
- TeV physics severely constrained (unification versus compositeness)
- Consistent with light elementary Higgs
- Precise gauge couplings (SUSY gauge unification)

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The Higgs Mechanism

- Gauge symmetry forbids elementary masses for W, Z, fermions
- Introduce Higgs field H, with classical value  $\nu$  and potential energy  $V(\nu) = \frac{1}{2}\mu^2\nu^2 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda\nu^4$
- W, Z, fermions acquire effective masses by coupling to H (transparent to photon)

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- Higgs mass  $M_H=\sqrt{-2\mu^2}=\sqrt{2\lambda}
  u$  ( $u\sim 246$  GeV,  $\lambda$  unknown)
- LEP search  $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z^* \rightarrow ZH$ :  $M_H > 114.4 \text{ GeV}$
- Indirect (electroweak radiative corrections)) + direct:  $M_H < 149$  GeV (95%)
- Tevatron searches now sensitive enough for higher masses
- LHC will cover full range for standard model Higgs

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### **Problems with the Standard Model**

Lagrangian after symmetry breaking:

$$egin{aligned} \mathcal{L} &= \mathcal{L}_{ ext{QCD}} + \mathcal{L}_{ ext{gauge}} + \mathcal{L}_{ ext{Higgs}} + \sum_i ar{\psi}_i \left( i \ oldsymbol{\partial} - m_i - rac{m_i H}{
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ight) \psi_i \ &- rac{g}{2\sqrt{2}} \left( J_W^\mu W_\mu^- + J_W^{\mu\dagger} W_\mu^+ 
ight) - e J_Q^\mu A_\mu - rac{g}{2\cos heta_W} J_Z^\mu Z_\mu \end{aligned}$$

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Mathematically consistent, renormalizable theory

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However, too much arbitrariness and fine-tuning: O(27) parameters (+ 2 for Majorana  $\nu$ ) and electric charges

### • Gauge Problem

- complicated gauge group with 3 couplings (only EW chiral)
- charge quantization ( $|q_e| = |q_p|$ ) unexplained
- Possible solutions: strings; grand unification; magnetic monopoles (partial); anomaly constraints (partial)

### • Fermion problem

- Fermion masses, mixings, families unexplained
- Neutrino masses, nature? Probe of Planck/GUT scale?
- CP violation inadequate to explain baryon asymmetry
- Possible solutions: strings; brane worlds; family symmetries; compositeness; radiative hierarchies. New sources of CP violation.

• Higgs/hierarchy problem

- Expect  $M_H^2 = O(M_W^2)$
- higher order corrections:  $\delta M_H^2/M_W^2 \sim 10^{34}$

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Possible solutions: supersymmetry; dynamical symmetry breaking; large and/or warped extra dimensions; Little Higgs; anthropically motivated fine-tuning (split supersymmetry) (landscape)

- Strong CP problem
  - Can add  $\frac{\theta}{32\pi^2}g_s^2 F\tilde{F}$  to QCD (breaks, P, T, CP)
  - $d_N \Rightarrow heta < 10^{-11}$ , but  $\delta heta ert_{
    m weak} \sim 10^{-3}$
  - Possible solutions: spontaneously broken global U(1) (Peccei-Quinn)  $\Rightarrow$  axion; unbroken global U(1) (massless u quark); spontaneously broken CP + other symmetries

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### • Graviton problem

- gravity not unified
- quantum gravity not renormalizable
- cosmological constant:  $\Lambda_{
  m SSB}=8\pi G_N \langle V
  angle>10^{50}\Lambda_{
  m obs}$   $(10^{124}$  for GUTs, strings)

#### **Possible solutions:**

- supergravity and Kaluza Klein unify
- strings yield finite gravity
- $\Lambda_{cosm} = \Lambda_{bare} + \Lambda_{SSB}$ . Anthropically motivated fine-tuning (landscape)?

Necessary new ingredients

- Mechanism for small neutrino masses
  - Planck/GUT scale? Small Dirac (intermediate scale)?
- Mechanism for baryon asymmetry?
  - Electroweak transition (Z' or extended Higgs?)
  - Heavy Majorana neutrino decay (seesaw)?
  - Decay of coherent field? CPT violation?
- What is the dark energy?
  - Cosmological Constant? Quintessence?
  - Related to inflation? Time variation of couplings?

- What is the dark matter? (Recent anomalies in  $e^+/e^-$ , DAMA, etc?)
  - Lightest supersymmetric particle (LSP)? Axion? Gravitino? Primordial black hole? SuperWIMP?
  - "Ad hoc" weakly coupled dark sector?
- Suppression of flavor changing neutral currents? Proton decay? Electric dipole moments?
  - Automatic in standard model, but not in extensions ("particle Fermi paradox" a.k.a. little hierarchy problem)

## **New Physics**

- A new layer at the TeV scale
  - Compositeness, Little Higgs, twin Higgs, Higgless, dynamical symmetry breaking, strong dynamics
  - Precision electroweak constraints, FCNC, UV completions?
- Large and/or warped extra dimensions; possible low fundamental or string scale
- Unification at the Planck scale,  $M_P = G_N^{-1/2} \sim 10^{19} \; {
  m GeV}$ 
  - Supersymmetry (between fermions and bosons), grand unification, strings?
  - Top-down remnants: Z', W', extended Higgs, exotic fermions, ...

**Compositeness, Strong Dynamics** 

- **Composite fermions, scalars** (onion-like layers)
  - Not like to atom ightarrow nucleus  $+e^- 
    ightarrow p + n 
    ightarrow$  quark
- Alternative electroweak breaking: Little Higgs, dynamical symmetry breaking, topcolor, ···
- At most one more layer accessible (Tevatron, LHC, ILC)
- Rare decays (e.g.,  $K \rightarrow \mu e$ )
- Usually few % effects at LEP/SLC, LEP2, WNC (challenge for models)
- LHC: anomalous VVV, new particles, strong  $WW \rightarrow WW$
- Also: FCNC, EDM

## Extra dimensions (deconstruction, brane worlds)

- Motivated by strings
- Can be large, warped, stringy
- Matter can be trapped on branes, at boundaries, or in bulk

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- E.g., new dimensions much larger than  $M_P^{-1} \sim 10^{-33}~{\rm cm}$
- Fundamental scale:  $M_F \sim$ (1 - 100) TeV  $\ll \bar{M}_{Pl} =$  $1/\sqrt{8\pi G_N} \sim 2.4 \times 10^{18}$  GeV
  - Assume  $\delta$  extra dimensions with volume  $V_{\delta} \gg M_F^{-\delta}$  $ar{M}_{Pl}^2 = M_F^{2+\delta} V_{\delta} \gg M_F^2$

(but new hierarchy problem)

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- LHC: Kaluza-Klein excitations, string excitations, graviton emission, black holes
- Astrophysics
- Macroscopic gravity effects

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# Unification

- Unification of interactions
- Grand desert to unification (GUT) or Planck scale
- Elementary Higgs, supersymmetry (SUSY), GUTs, strings
- Possibility of probing to  $M_P$  and very early universe

Supersymmetry

- Fermion  $\leftrightarrow$  boson symmetry
- Motivations
  - Incorporation of gravity (but  $M_{SUSY}$  could be very large)
  - Stabilization of electroweak scale

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But landscape ideas (anthropically-motivated fine tuning); variants (e.g., split supersymmetry); alternative EWSB

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- Gauge unification
- Cold dark matter (LSP) if R-parity ( $R_P$ ) conserved
- Z-pole: any new physics decouples
- Radiative electroweak breaking (large  $m_t 
  ightarrow m_{H_u}^2 < 0$ )
- Anomalous magnetic moment of muon  $(g_{\mu} 2)$ ?

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- Additional charged and neutral Higgs particles
  - $M_{H^0}^2 < \cos^2 2\beta M_Z^2$ + H.O.T. ( $O(m_t^4)$ ) < (130 GeV)<sup>2</sup>, consistent with LEP (standard model:  $M_{H^0} < 1000$  GeV)
  - CDF/D0 searches for heavier states
  - LHC ultimately sensitive to entire range

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• Simplest version: supersymmetric contribution to Higgs mass must be of O(100) GeV (not  $10^{19}$ ) ( $\mu$  problem)

#### • Superpartners

- $q \Rightarrow \tilde{q} \text{ (scalar quark)}$  $\ell \Rightarrow \tilde{\ell} \text{ (scalar lepton)}$
- $H \Rightarrow ilde{H}$  (Higgsino)
- $G, W, B \Rightarrow ilde{G}, ilde{W}, ilde{B}$  (gauginos)
- typical scale: several hundred GeV
- LSP: dark matter candidate
- SUSY breaking  $\Leftrightarrow$  large  $m_t$
- May be large FCNC, EDM,  $\Delta(g_{\mu}-2)$

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## **Tevatron, LHC Signatures**

- Squarks, gluinos pair-produced at large rate by QCD
- Sleptons, charginos, neutralinos: smaller direct rate (Drell-Yan and *t*-channel squark), but occur in squark decay chains
- Missing transverse energy: decay chains end in LSP (e.g.,  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  in supergravity)
- Cascade decays → multiple jets and leptons (same/opposite sign dileptons, trileptons); kinematic edges (mass eigenstates); some spin information
- Same sign leptons  $\leftrightarrow$  Majorana fermions

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• LHC reach at 7 TeV (Baer, Barger, Lessa, Tata, 1004.3594)

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## **Grand Unification**

- Unify strong SU(3) and electroweak  $SU(2) \times U(1)$  in simple group (e.g., SU(5),  $SO(10), E_6$ ), broken at  $\sim$  $10^{16}$  GeV
- Gauge unification (only in supersymmetric version)

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- Seesaw model for small  $m_{\nu}$  (but why are mixings large?)
- Quark-lepton (q l) unification ( $\Rightarrow$  charge quantization)
- q l mass relations (work only for third family in simplest versions)
- Proton decay? (simplest versions excluded)
- Doublet-triplet problem?
- String embedding? (breaking, families may be entangled in extra dimensions)

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## Superstrings

- Finite, "parameter-free" "theory of everything" (TOE), including quantum gravity
  - 1-d string-like object
  - Appears pointlike for resolution  $> M_s^{-1} \sim M_P^{-1} \sim 10^{-33}~{
    m cm}$
  - Vibrational modes  $\rightarrow$  particles
  - 10 space-time dimensions ightarrow 6 must compactify to scale  $M_s^{-1}$
  - 4-dim supersymmetric gauge theory below  $M_s$
  - May also be solitons (branes), terminating open strings

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### • Problems

- Which type? Dualities
- Which compactification manifold?
- Relation to supersymmetric standard model, GUT?
- Supersymmetry breaking/mediation? Scale? Cosmological constant?
- Many moduli/vacua. Landscape ideas any predictability left? (TOE ⇒TOA?)
- The great debate: is our physics environmental or selected?
  - Small cosmological constant, weak scale appear needed for life
  - Physics depends on location in multiverse? i.e.,  $O(10^{500})$  vacua of landscape continually sampled by pockets of eternally inflating multiverse!

## Remnant Physics from the Top-Down

- Z' or other gauge ( $\mu$  problem, electroweak baryogenesis,  $\cdots$ )
- Extended Higgs/neutralino (doublet, singlet)(cascades, dark matter, · · ·)
- **Quasi-Chiral Exotics** (may be quasi-stable)
- Quasi-hidden (SUSY breaking? Dark sector? Composite family?)
- Non-seesaw  $m_{
  u}$
- LED/low  $M_s$  (Kaluza Klein/string excitations, TeV black holes)
- Charge 1/2 (Confinement?, Stable relic?)
- Time varying couplings
- LIV, VEP (e.g.,  $v_{
  m max}$ , decays (oscillations) of HE  $\gamma,~e,$  gravity waves (u's))

# Conclusions

- The standard model is approximately correct description of fermions/gauge bosons down to  $\sim 10^{-16}$  cm  $\sim \frac{1}{1 \text{ TeV}}$  (but EWSB?)
- Standard model is complicated/fine-tuned  $\rightarrow$  must be new physics
- Precision tests severely constrain new TeV-scale physics
- Promising theoretical ideas at Planck scale
- Promising experimental program at LHC (also flavor,  $\nu$ , cosmology)
- Challenge to make contact between theory and experiment
- Many semi-realistic string constructions suggest extended gauge, Higgs, neutralino, fermion sectors, alternative  $m_{\nu}$

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