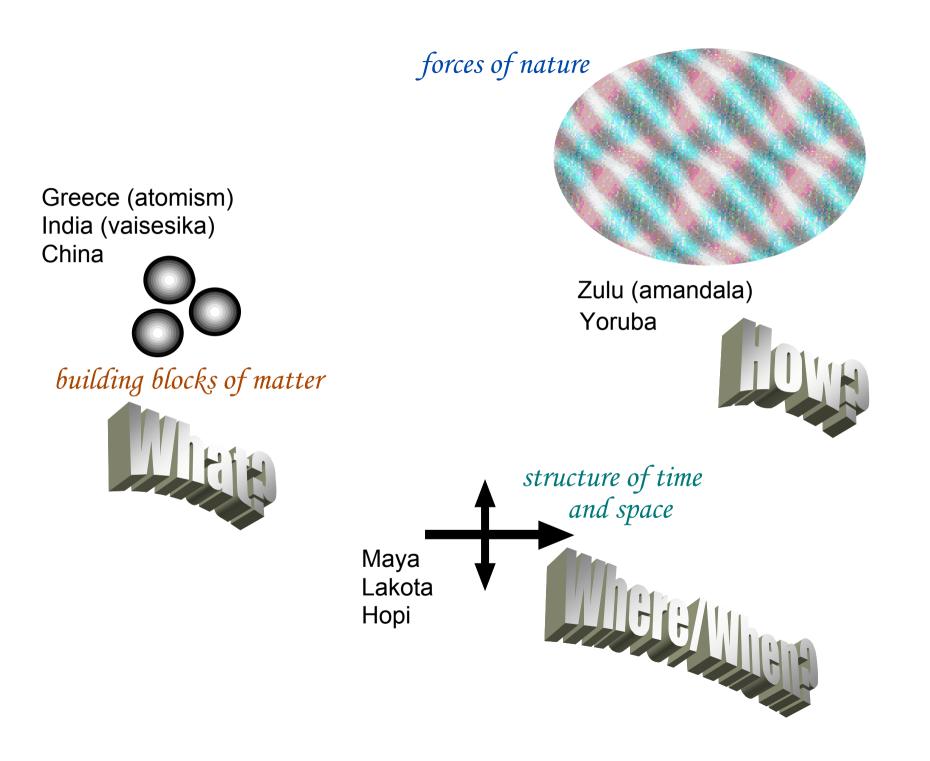
# **Truth and Beauty**

and the Physics of the Dark

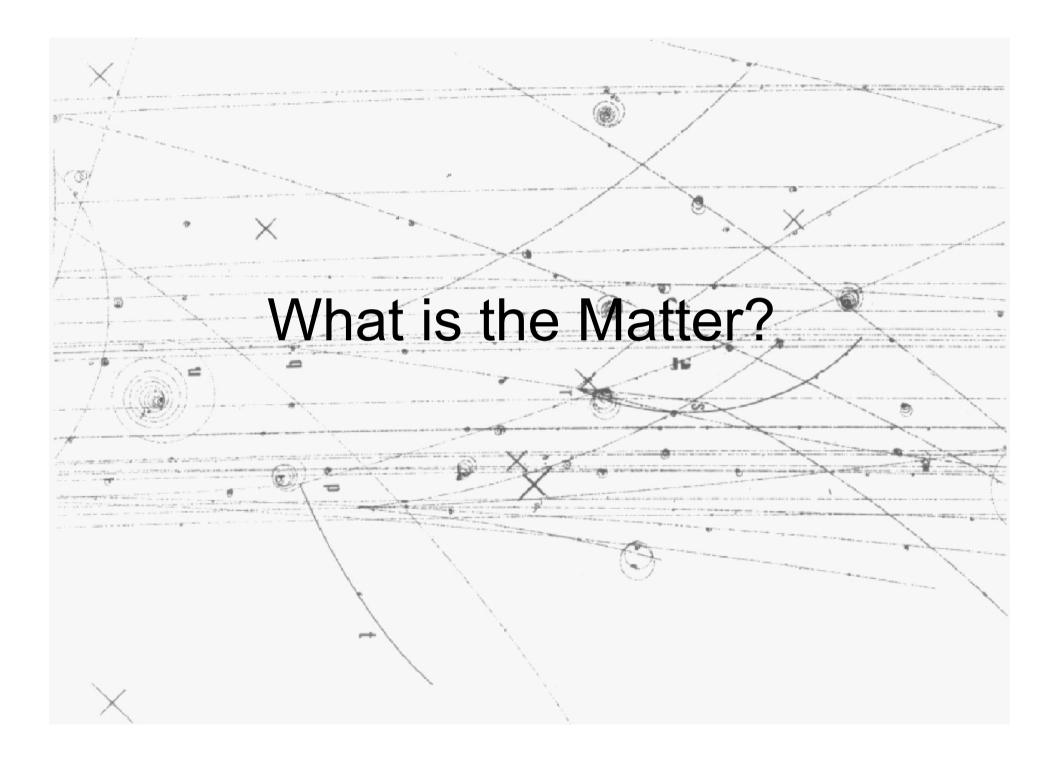


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# Foreshadowing...

- Let's apply these questions to matter
- We'll get three more specific questions
  - Why is most of universe 'dark'?
  - Is our hunch on the origin of mass correct?
  - Why is there any matter in the universe, anyway!?



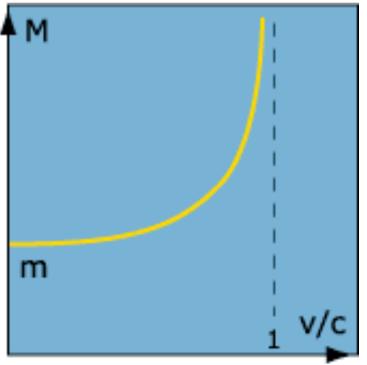
# Mass

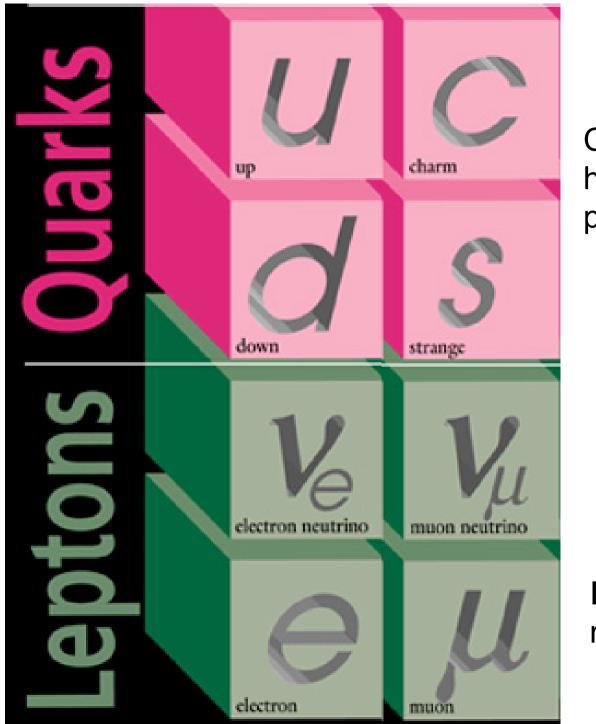
- Inertial mass
  - A measure of how hard it is to move something, or change its motion

F=ma

- Relativity:
  - Mass as energy?

E=mc<sup>2</sup>



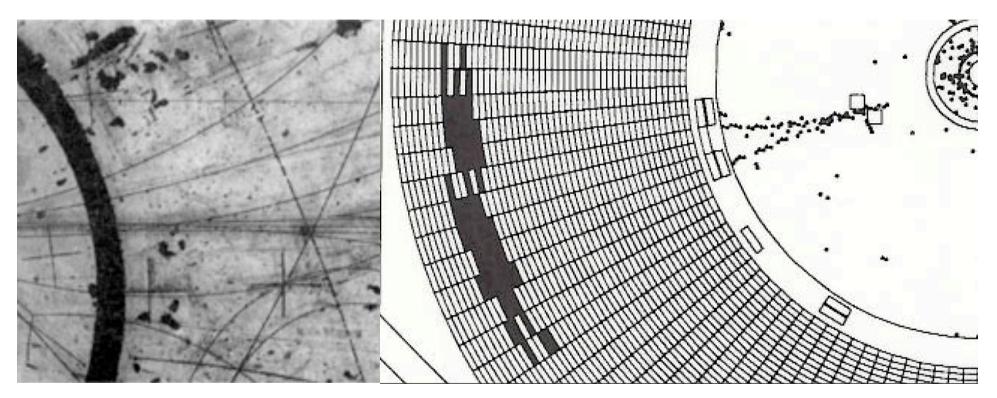


Comprise heavy subatomic particles

> Why does nature need these?

In cosmic rays

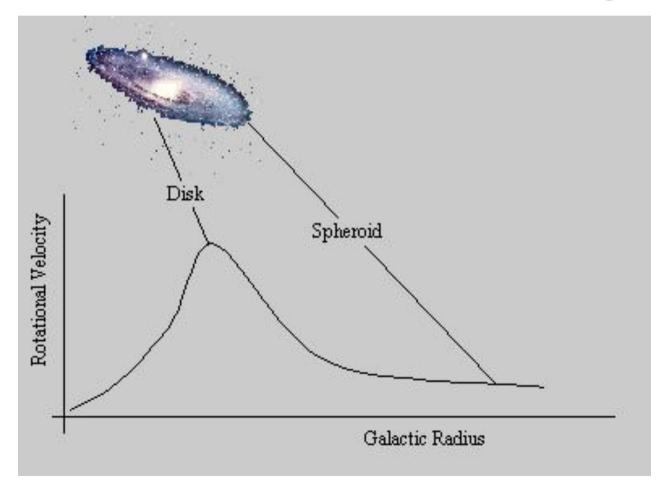
### Antimatter



 Every particle has partner with opposite properties
Can you find the particleantiparticle pair?

# Gravity and Mass

Mass seems to be the 'charge' of gravity

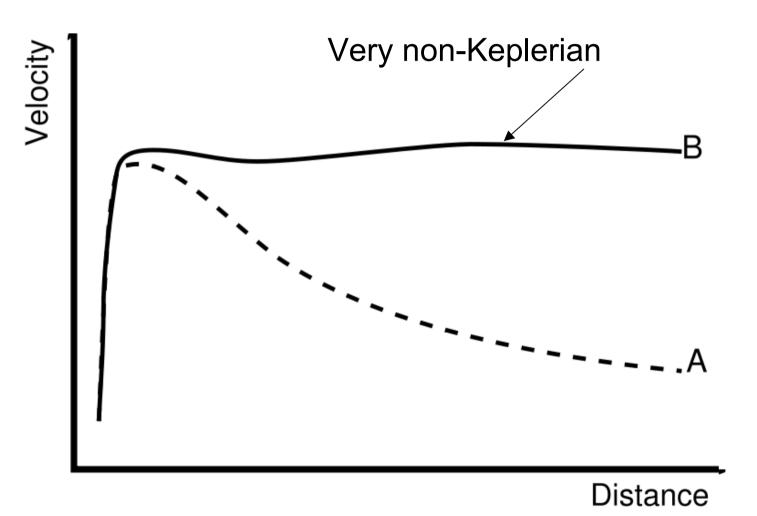


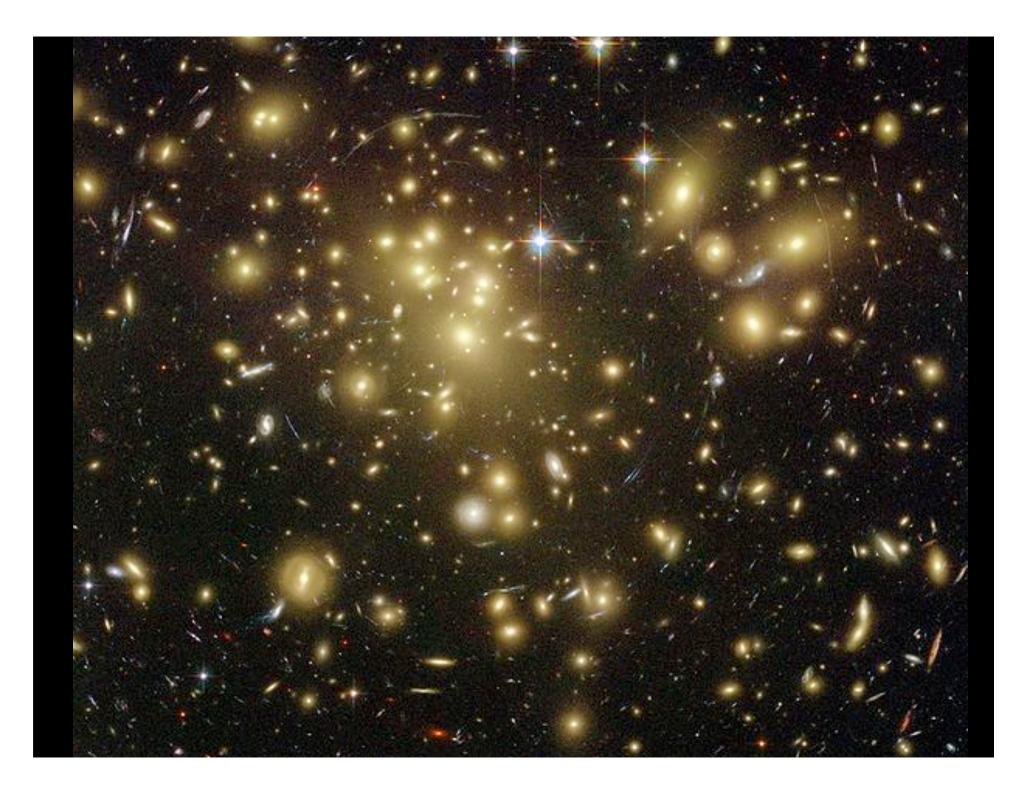
Gravity weaker with increasing distance

Keplerian motion:

Once outside of mass distribution, velocity decrease

### **Galactic Rotation**





# Most matter unidentified!

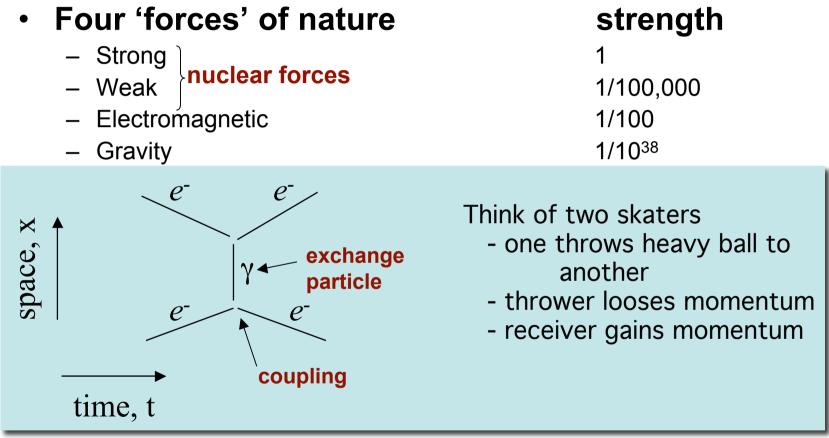
74% DARK ENERGY

22% DARK MATTER

3.6% INTERGALACTIC GAS 0.4% STARS, ETC.

### How is there Mass?

#### **Fundamental Interactions**



- Strong interaction → gives masses of protons, neutrons
- 'Higgs particle' → gives masses of exchange particles for weak interaction

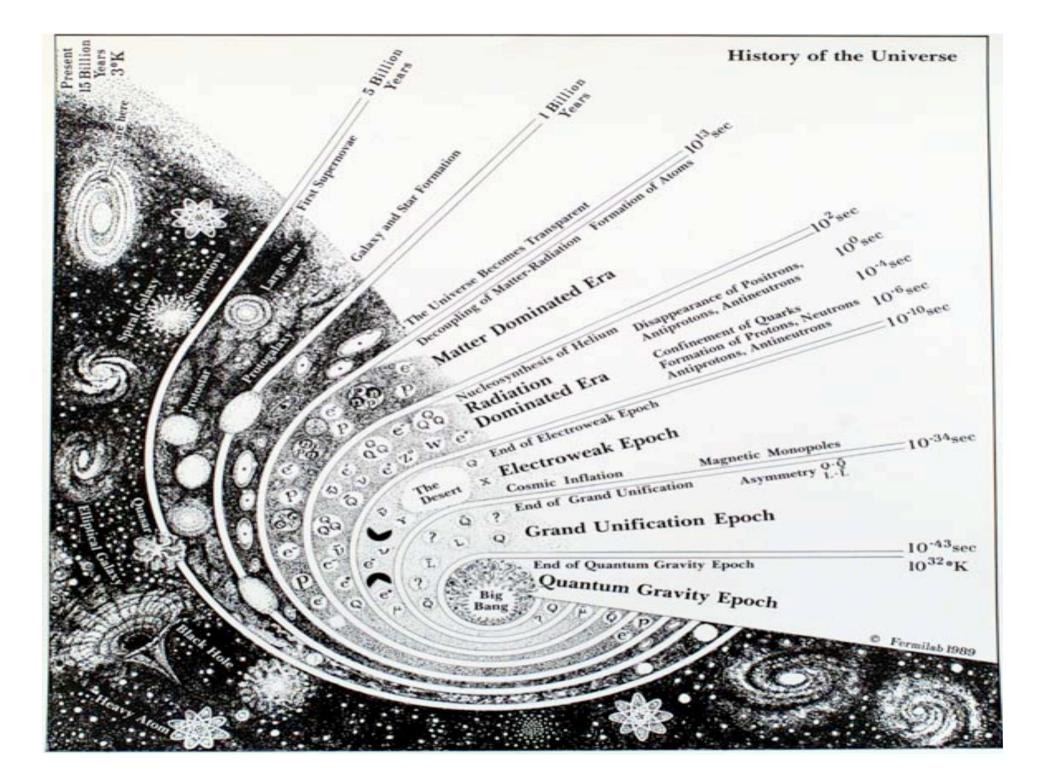
# Higgs is 'sticky'

Impedes change in motion of quarks and leptons (i.e. 'gives' mass)



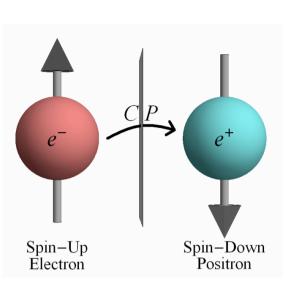
- Stickiness termed 'coupling'
  - Coupling is proportional to particle mass
  - Value for each particle not predicted: it's just a number

# When and Where is there Mass?



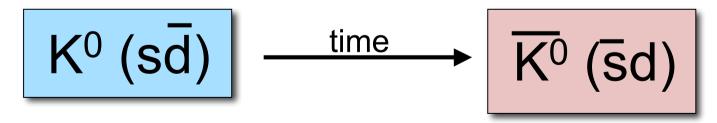
# Symmetry

- Charge
- Parity



- physics 'invariant' when change these properties
  - CP product a stronger symmetry than C or P alone

... but CP Violation in weak interactions discovered!



This process allows to determine: can start with one CP value, and end up with another one!

# Third Generation

- In 1973
  - If there exists a 3rd generation of quarks and leptons...

#### ...this can accommodate CP violation

In 1976:

"We have discovered 64 events of the form

 $e^+ + e^- \rightarrow e^\pm + \mu^\mp + at \text{ least 2 undetected particles}$ 

for which we have no conventional explanation."

Problem is, observed level of CP violation can't explain matter over antimatter .



### To summarize...

What is the nature or origin of dark matter?

Does the Higgs particle exist?

Why is there only matter, and no antimatter, in the universe?



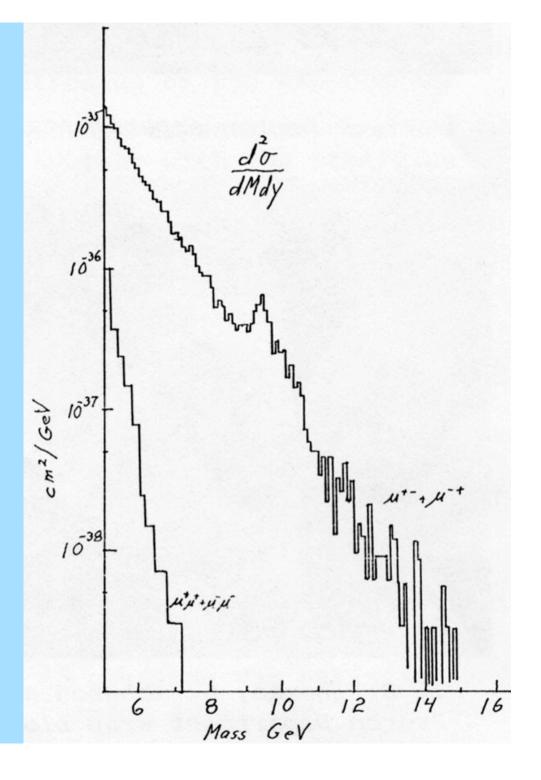
"The scientist ... studies [nature] because he takes pleasure in it; and he takes pleasure in it because it is beautiful." H. Poincare

"The measure in which science falls short of art is the measure in which it is incomplete as science." J. Sullivan, in *Athenaeum* (1919)

# Discovery of



- 1977
- A heavier version of the down and strange quarks



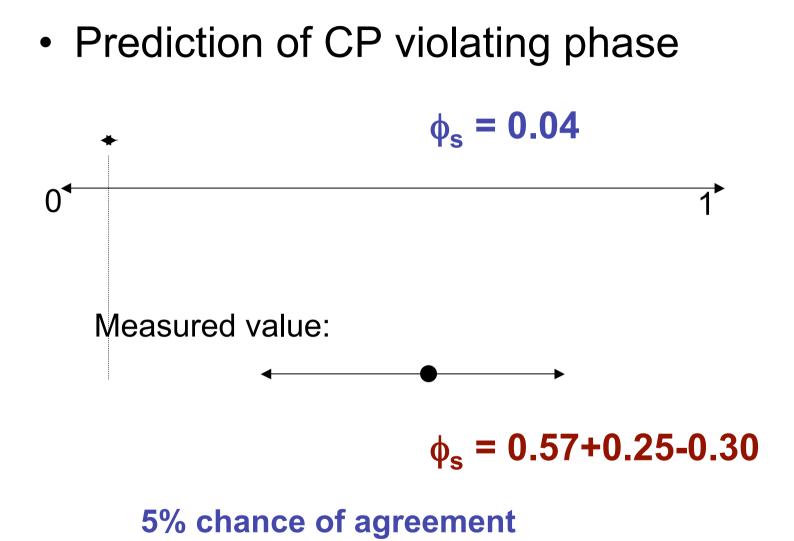


# A new testing ground

Particles comprised of *b*-quarks
– Very analogous to K<sup>0</sup>

$$B_{s}^{0}(bs) \xrightarrow{\text{time}} B_{s}^{0}(bs)$$

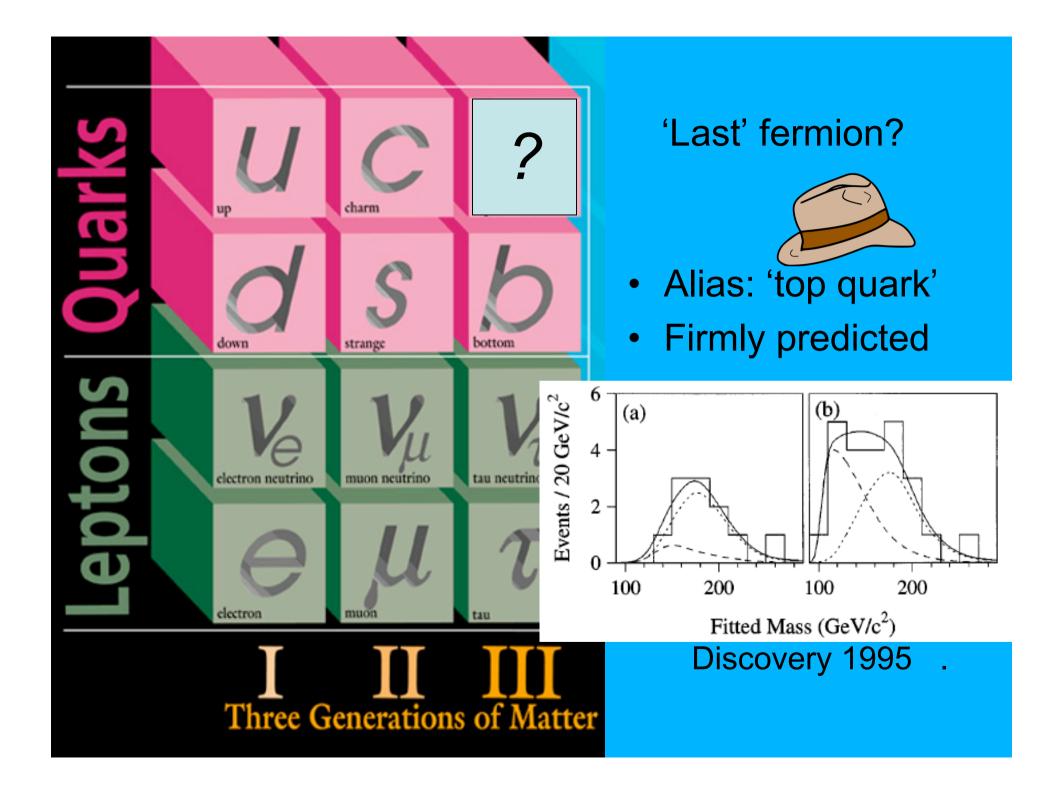
 Measure the CP violating parameter after 5 years of data-taking

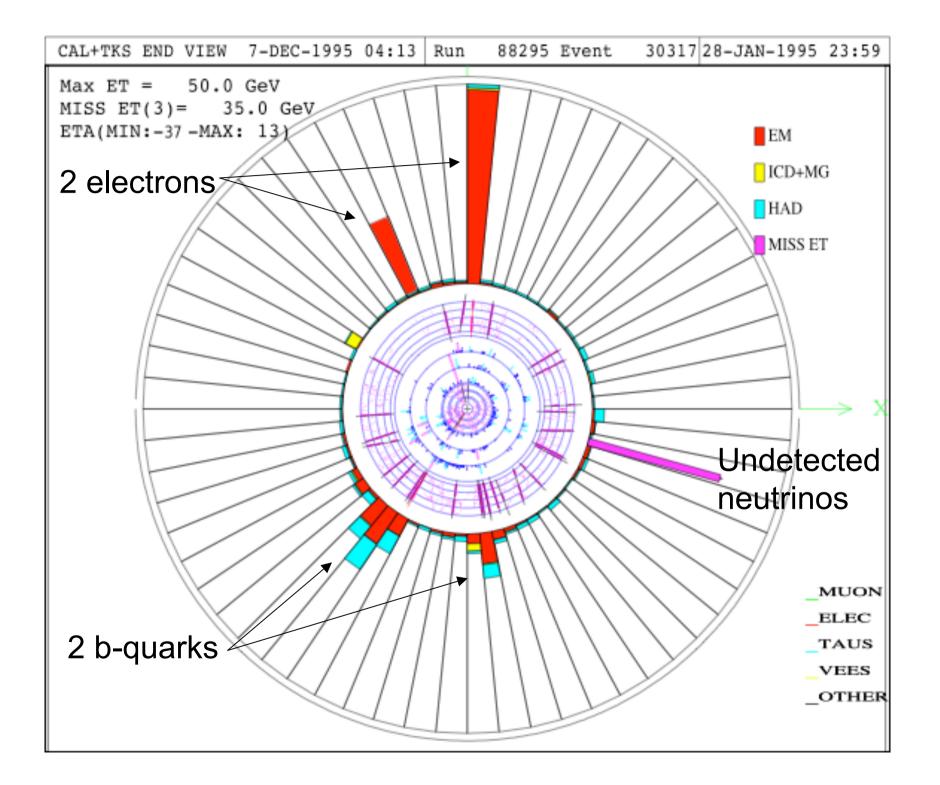


# What might this mean?

- There are extra particles we have not already identified
  - our calculations are incomplete
  - should include effects from, say, a 4th generation of fermions
- There may be a new symmetry (and interaction)
  - One candidate (called 'supersymmetry') also gives us dark matter!

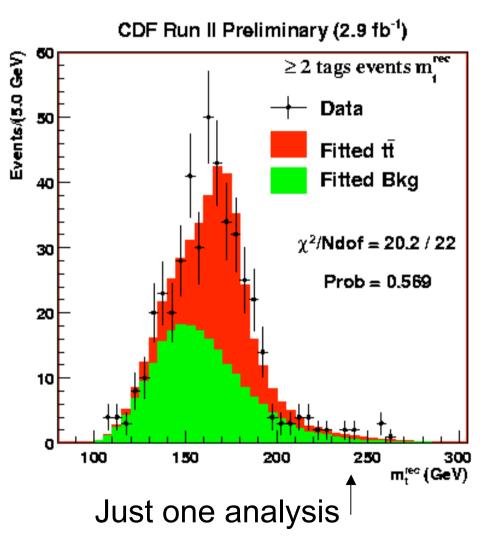


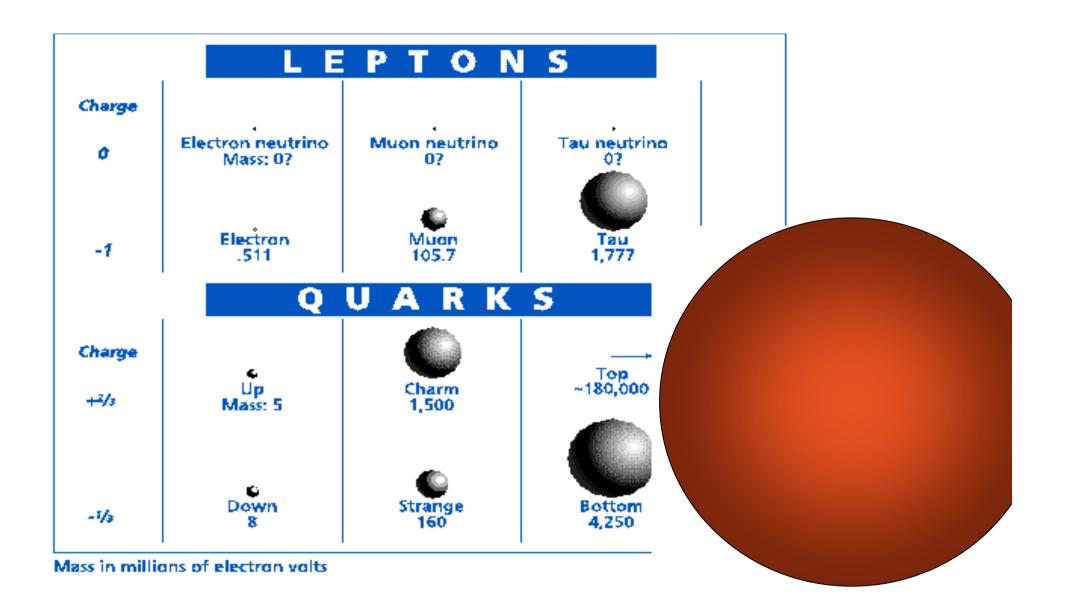




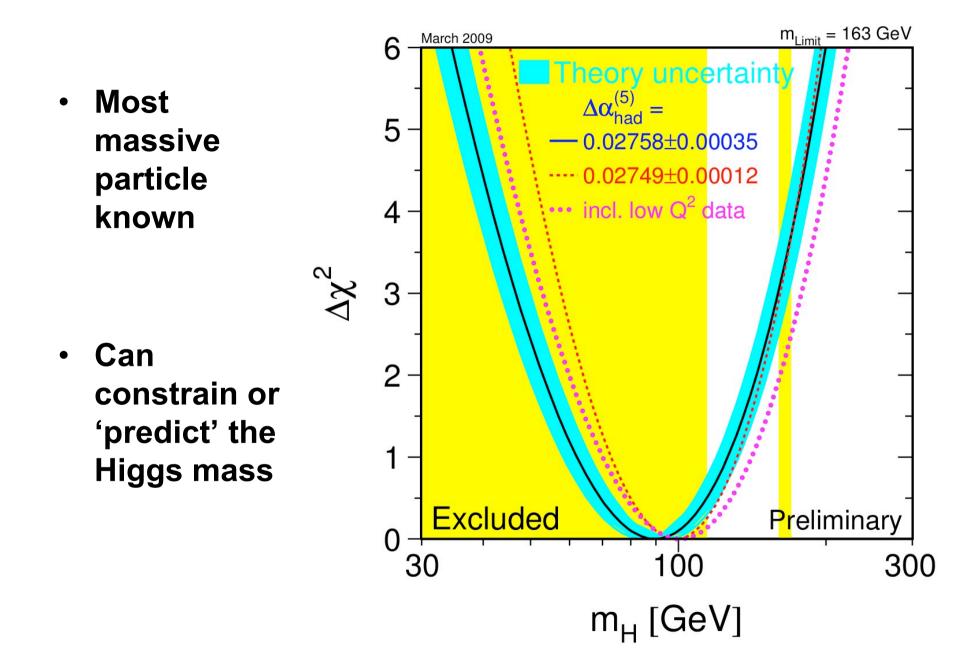
### Top mass measurement

- Very heavy: tells us about Higgs
- Two experiments
- Dozens of people
- Several different analyses
- 8 years of datataking





#### Heavier than an entire Gold atom!



# Wait, something's odd...

- Mass proportional to 'coupling' to Higgs
  - For electron: =  $2.9 \times 10^{-6}$

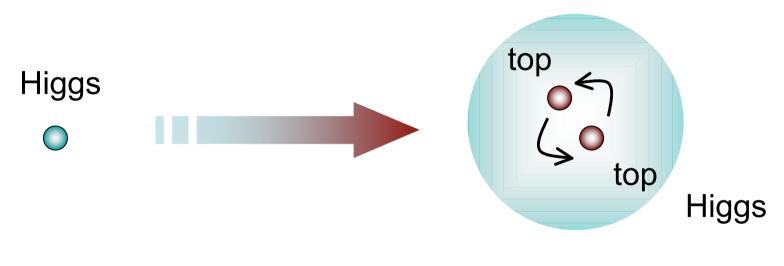
- For top: **= 0.995±0.007** 

**≈ 1.0** to within 0.7%!

- Coupling unpredicted and arbitrary value
  - very unlikely to just happen to be 1.00
    - An equation with a constant = 1 doesn't actually need the constant
  - So what's going on with the top quark?
    - Top appears to be special

# Implications?

• Top may be more fundamental than we thought



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-May suggest extra dimensions,

- •may accommodate dark matter
- •May explain weakness of gravity

# Final thoughts

 Higgs, if it exists, will be discovered soon

CP violating phase to be measured well at LHC

• Is the top quark fundamental?

Hints of new physics?

# **Backup slides**

# Four Fundamental Forces

- Two nuclear forces
  - strong, responsible for holding atomic nucleus together
  - weak, responsible mainly for particle decay

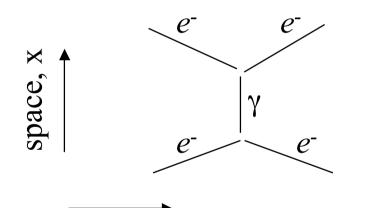
<u>force</u>	<u>coupling</u>	<u>range(cm)</u> strength	
strong	color	<i>10</i> - <i>18</i>	1
electromagnetic	charge	00	0.01
weak	flavor	<b>10</b> -15	<i>10-5</i>
gravity	mass	00	<i>10-38</i>

- Only quarks interact via strong interaction
- Dark matter only interacts by gravity, and maybe the weak interaction

#### Interactions as Momentum Exchange

#### > conservation of momentum

- think of forces as interactions
  - two particles interact by exchanging a messenger particle
    - eg. electromagnetism uses the photon



Think of two skaters

- one throws heavy ball to another
- thrower looses momentum
- receiver gains momentum

time, t

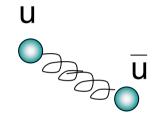
- exchanged particle
  - transfers momentum from one interacting particle to another



# **Baryonic Matter**

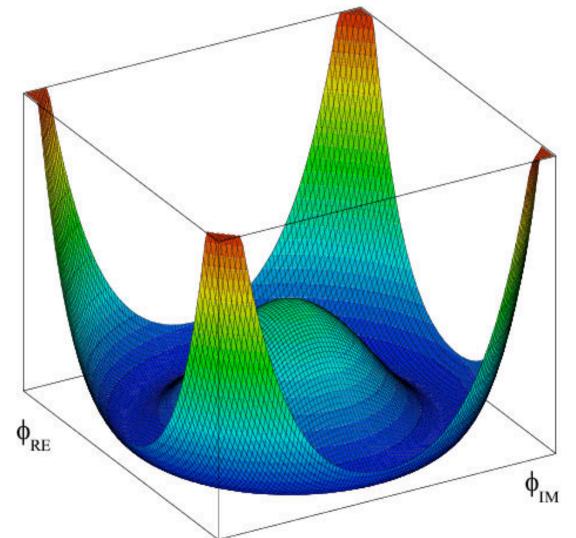
#### Strong interaction

- tightly binds quarks and gluons into composite particles
- Proton and neutron
  - 'baryons'
  - stable in a nucleus
- Almost all mass we see is baryonic



$$M_{\pi} >> m_u + m_{\overline{u}}$$

### A more fundamental mechanism



- Lowest energy state
  - Doesn't correspond to zero mass
- So W/Z have mass!

#### Higgs particle

