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Introduction

Chapitre 1

From the discovery of the electron to the high-energy physics

1.1 The Standard Model

1.1.1 Introduction

The Standard Model (SM) is a theory that describes the fundamental structure of matter. In this theory, the matter is made up of fermions (spin 1/2) which interact via bosons. Bosons are gauge field, they propagate the interaction and generate particles mass. They are two types of fermions : the leptons and the quarks. The leptons are made of six particles plus the six anti-particles associated. A quantum number describes those particles : L Leptons interact only via weak interaction.

The quarks are six plus six anti-quark. They are the components of neutron and protons. Lonely quarks were never observed in the nature. The quarks have a charge color : green, red, blue. The quarks are confined into "white color" objects call hadrons. The hadrons are subdivided into three categories : the mesons, the baryons and the anti-baryons. The mesons are made of a quark and a anti-quark are always of integer spin. The baryons (or anti-baryons) are made of three quarks, like the proton or neutron. A quantum number is associated to the quarks : the baryon number B which is conserved for every interaction and has the same properties as the L number.

Family	Particle	L	B	Q_e	Mass
1st	e	1	0	-1	511 keV
	ν_e	1	0	0	< 2 eV
2nd	μ	1	0	-1	105.66 MeV
	ν_μ	1	0	0	< 2 eV
3rd	τ	1	0	-1	1.78 GeV
	ν_τ	1	0	0	< 2 eV

The Standard Model describes very well three forces out of four : the electromagnetic (E.M.) interaction, the weak interaction and the strong. The theory that explain the E.M. interaction is the Quantum Electrodynamics (QED). The vector of the interaction is the photon γ . The weak interaction is the only one that takes part on all particles. It intermediates via Z and W^\pm bosons. The Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD) describes the strong interaction. The mediators of this interaction are the gluons to the number of eight. They can interact each other as well.

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