

## 2.5 Origin of masses

Spontaneous breaking of  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$  symmetry

Higgs mechanism

$$M_Z = \frac{M_W}{\cos \theta_W} \quad (\sim 91 \text{ GeV})$$

That is:  $\sin^2 \theta_W = 1 - \frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2} \Rightarrow$  mass measurements  $M_Z, M_W$  very important !

Summary:

		$ V ^2$	$ A ^2$
W coupling-strength:	$\left(\frac{g}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 = \frac{G_F M_W^2}{\sqrt{2}}$	*1	*1
Z coupling-strength:	$\left(\frac{g}{2\cos\theta_W}\right)^2 = \sqrt{2} G_F M_Z^2$	$g_V^{f^2}$	$g_A^{f^2}$

# 3. The Z sector

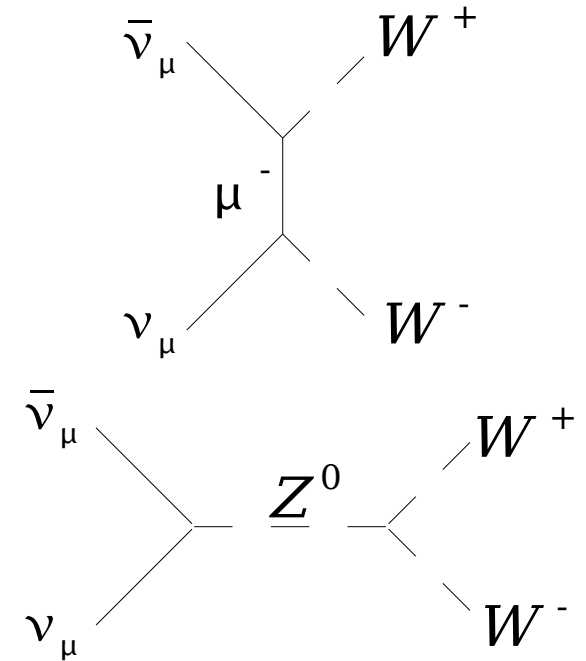
## 3.1 Z Discovery

a) Theoretical Problems:  $\nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow W^+ + W^-$

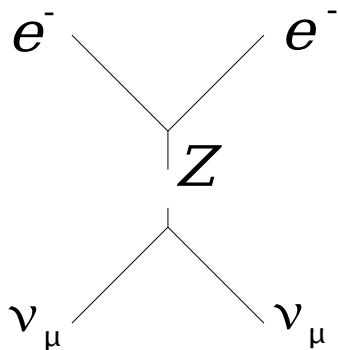
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \propto s = (p_{\nu_\mu} + p_{\bar{\nu}_\mu})^2 = E_{CM}^2$$

violates unitarity limit at large s

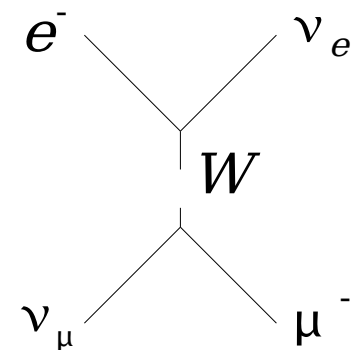
Need additional diagram to avoid cross section rise  $\propto s$ :



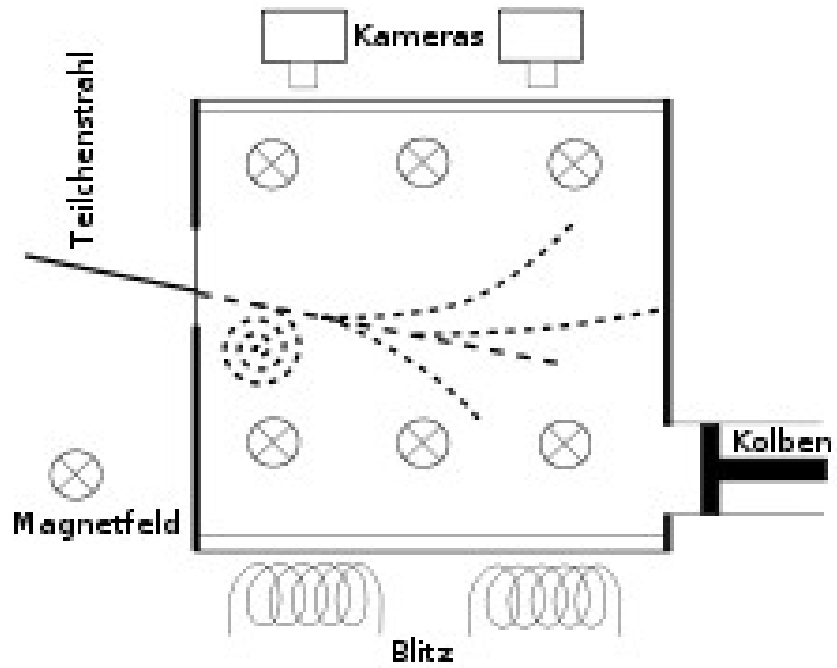
b) Discovery of NC:  $\nu_\mu + e^- \rightarrow \nu_\mu + e^-$   
back-scattered  $e^-$  (not  $\mu^-$ )



Charged current:  $\mu^-$  in final state



# Bubble Chamber Gargamelle @ CERN



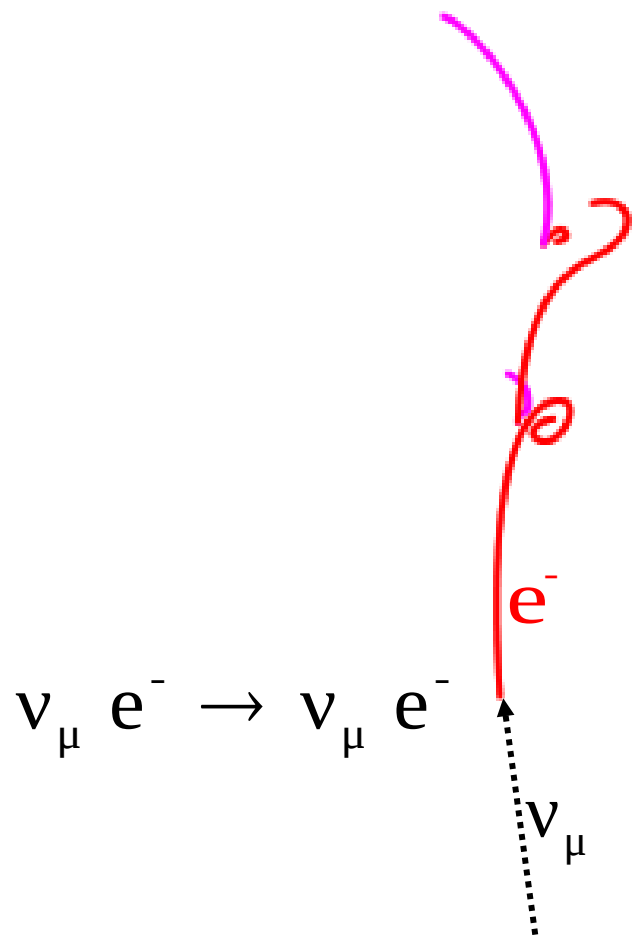
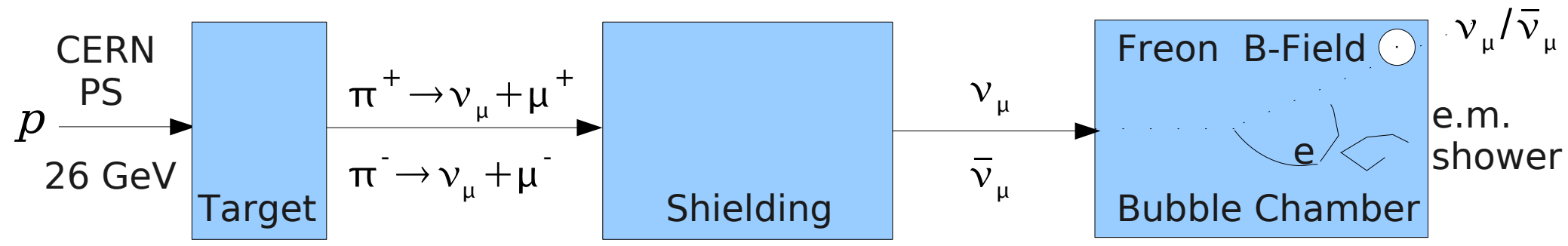
Principle

Gargamelle (CERN exhibition)



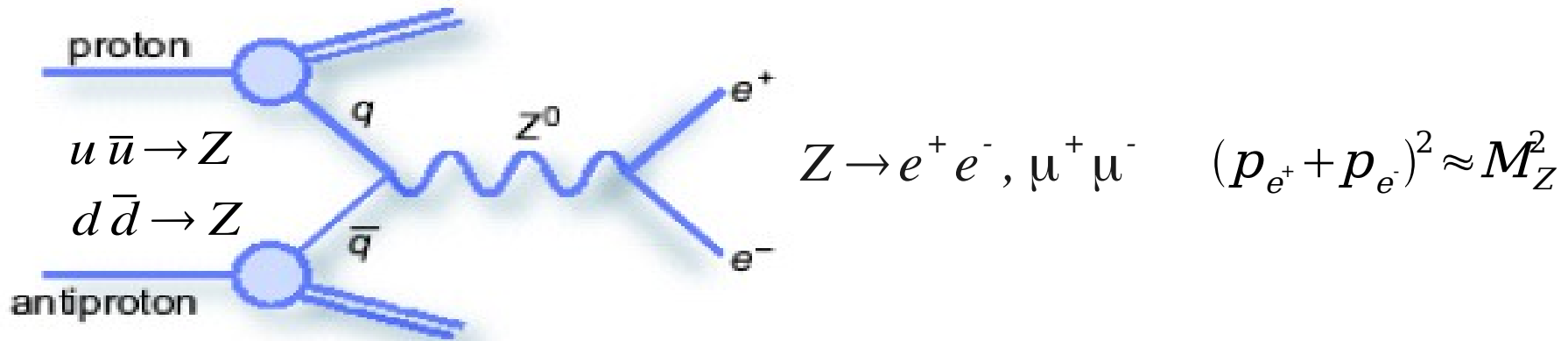
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# Discovery of Neutral Currents: Gargamelle bubble chamber (1973)



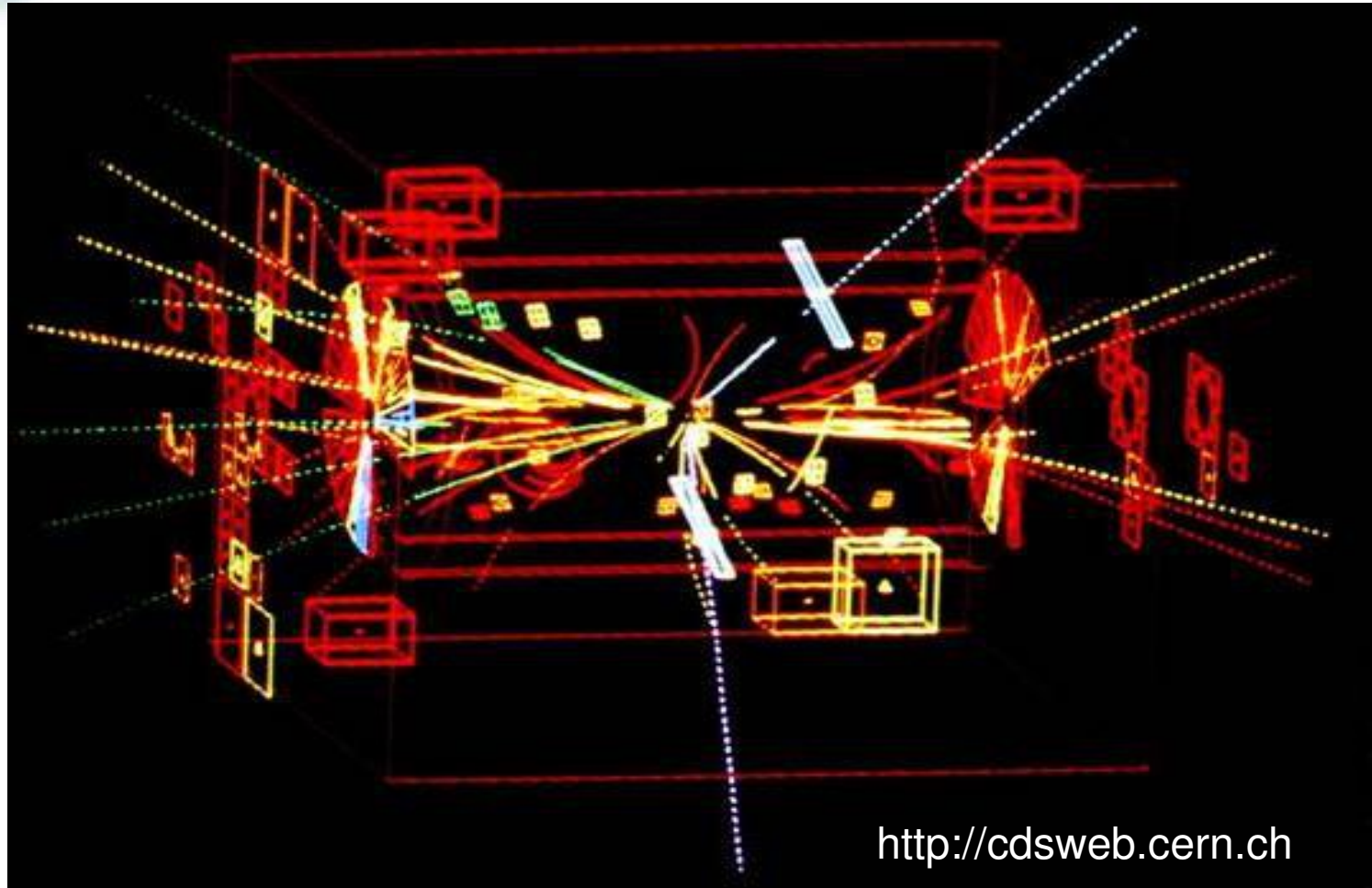
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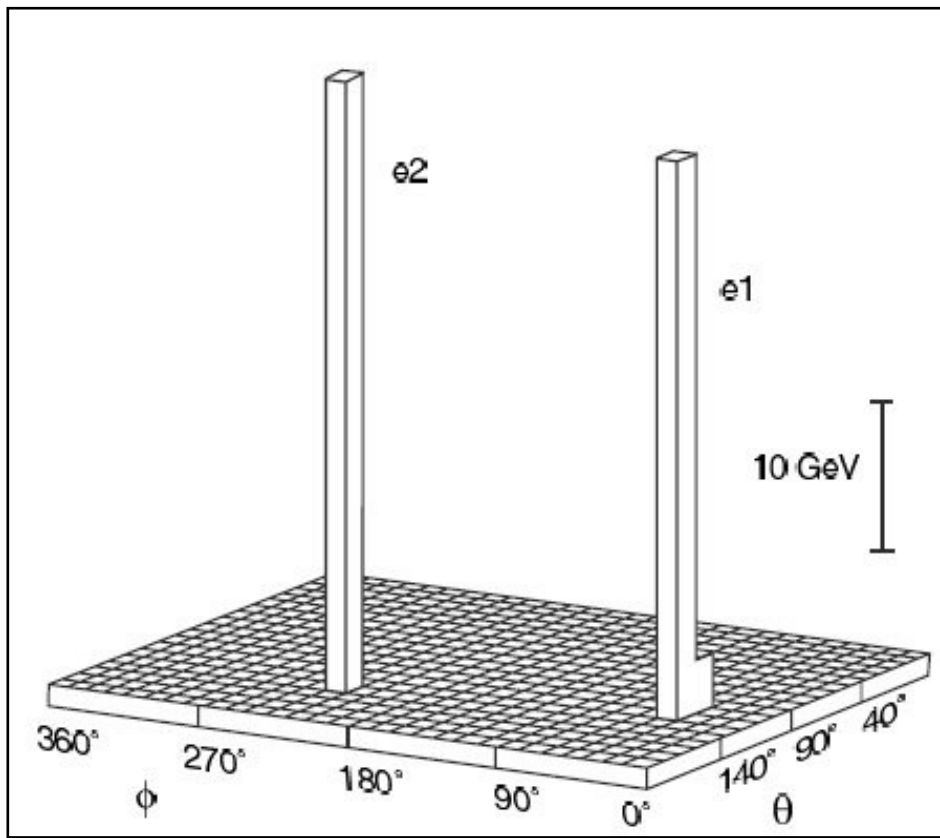
c) First observation in Drell-Yan production (CERN, Sp $\bar{p}$ S, 1983: UA1 and UA2)



First Z boson  
candidate in  
UA1 detector  
(CERN)

$$Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$$





**Energy deposition  
in EM-Calorimeter**

**Distribution of invariant  
di-lepton mass:**

