

Bounds on the Higgs boson mass from M_W (and s_{eff}^2)

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General consensus: The SM gives a very good description of a multitude of phenomena ...

Why the Higgs boson is so important?

→ It is the most “obvious” problem of the SM!

It has NOT been found experimentally (yet?)

The support for the SM Higgs comes from the theory

- ★ Higgs mechanism → masses for Z and W
- ★ Yukawa couplings → masses for fermions

⇒ Only *indirectly* from the experiments!

We have **no DIRECT measurement** of the Higgs mass, only direct evidence of a lower bound (95% C.L.)

$$M_H > 114.4 \text{ GeV}$$

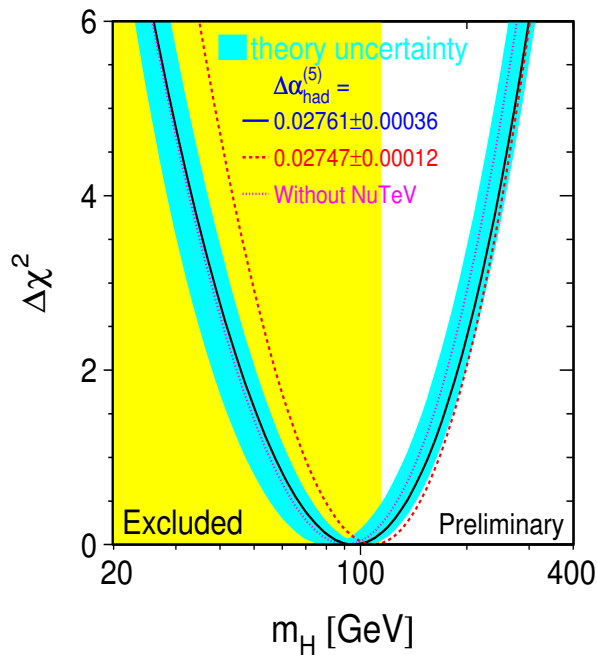
All the information on M_H is **INDIRECT**

- ★ **Theoretical predictions** that depends on M_H via radiative corrections
- ★ **Experimental data**

Problem: Logarithmic dependence on M_H

Global Analysis → based on a $\Delta\chi^2$ -analysis!

$$M_H = 96^{+60}_{-38} \text{ GeV}; \quad M_H^{95} = 219 \text{ GeV} \quad (\text{Summer 2003})$$

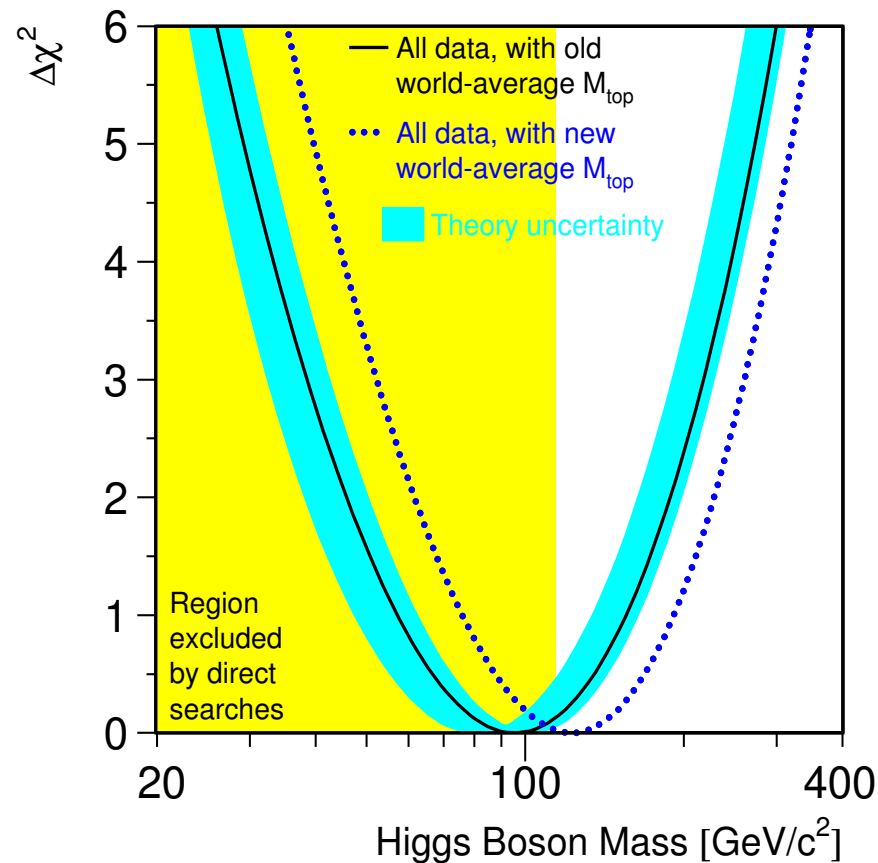


Summer 2003

	Measurement	Fit	$ O^{\text{meas}} - O^{\text{fit}} / \sigma^{\text{meas}}$
$\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(m_Z)$	0.02761 ± 0.00036	0.02767	0.1
m_Z [GeV]	91.1875 ± 0.0021	91.1875	0.0
Γ_Z [GeV]	2.4952 ± 0.0023	2.4960	0.3
σ_{had}^0 [nb]	41.540 ± 0.037	41.478	1.6
R_l	20.767 ± 0.025	20.742	1.0
$A_{\text{fb}}^{0,l}$	0.01714 ± 0.00095	0.01636	0.8
$A_l(P_\tau)$	0.1465 ± 0.0032	0.1477	0.3
R_b	0.21638 ± 0.00066	0.21579	0.9
R_c	0.1720 ± 0.0030	0.1723	0.1
$A_{\text{fb}}^{0,b}$	0.0997 ± 0.0016	0.1036	2.4
$A_{\text{fb}}^{0,c}$	0.0706 ± 0.0035	0.0740	1.0
A_b	0.925 ± 0.020	0.935	0.5
A_c	0.670 ± 0.026	0.668	0.1
$A_l(\text{SLD})$	0.1513 ± 0.0021	0.1477	1.7
$\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^{\text{lept}}(Q_{\text{fb}})$	0.2324 ± 0.0012	0.2314	0.8
m_W [GeV]	80.426 ± 0.034	80.385	1.2
Γ_W [GeV]	2.139 ± 0.069	2.093	0.8
m_t [GeV]	174.3 ± 5.1	174.3	0.0
$\sin^2\theta_W(vN)$	0.2277 ± 0.0016	0.2229	3.0
$Q_W(\text{Cs})$	-72.84 ± 0.46	-72.90	0.1

Global Analysis with NEW $m_t = 178.0 \pm 4.3$ GeV

$$M_H = 117_{-45}^{+67} \text{ GeV}; \quad M_H^{95} = 251 \text{ GeV} \quad (\text{April 2004})$$



→ The “most likely” value is ABOVE 114.4 GeV !!

The Global Analysis, by itself, could be misleading!

- ★ Striking discrepancies and inconsistencies may be blurred (Marciano, Chanowitz, Sirlin).
- ★ Relative improvements are more important than overall χ^2 (Erlar).
- ★ Aside from the Global Fit, we need to look at the observables most sensitive to M_H .

$$\implies M_W \quad \sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lept}$$

M_W

There are several factors that single out the M_W determination as particularly important:

- The LEP2 and Tevatron experimental measurements of M_W are in excellent agreement;

$$\text{D0/CDF(Tevatron)} \quad 80.454 \pm 0.059 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\text{LEP2} \quad 80.412 \pm 0.042 \text{ GeV}$$

- It places sharp restrictions on M_H ;
- The relevant electroweak correction Δr has been fully evaluated at the two-loop level.

“The Toolbox” – Simple formulae for M_W

$$M_W = M_W^0 - d_1 A_1 - d_5 A_1^2 - d_2 A_2 + d_3 A_3 - d_4 A_4,$$

$$A_1 \equiv \ln(M_H/100 \text{ GeV}), \quad A_2 \equiv \left[\Delta\alpha_h^{(5)} / 0.02761 \right] - 1,$$

$$A_3 \equiv (M_t/174.3 \text{ GeV})^2 - 1, \quad A_4 \equiv [\alpha_s(M_Z)/0.118] - 1.$$

Scheme	M_W^0	$10^2 d_1$	$10 d_2$	$10 d_3$	$10^2 d_4$	$10^3 d_5$
\overline{MS}	80.3868	5.719	5.07	5.42	8.5	8.98
OSI	80.3849	5.667	5.08	5.40	8.5	8.85
$OSII$	80.3847	5.738	5.08	5.37	8.5	8.92
EFF	80.3862	5.730	5.08	5.42	8.5	8.98

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G. Degrassi, P. Gambino, M. Passera and A. Sirlin – [hep-ph/9708311](#)

Effective renormalization scheme (EFF)

Weak mixing angle $\rightarrow \sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lept}$

- Good convergence properties of the \overline{MS} scheme
- Strictly scale independent at finite order in perturbation theory

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Effective renormalization scheme (EFF) – more details

We obtain directly $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lept}$ using the equation:

$$s_{eff}^2 c_{eff}^2 = \frac{A^2}{M_Z^2 (1 - \Delta r_{eff})}$$

where Δr_{eff} :

- is a function of the **effective angle** s_{eff}^2
- depends on the **input parameters**:

$$\alpha, G_\mu, M_Z, m_f, M_t, M_h$$

- contains **all the one loop corrections** and **the two-loop corrections** enhanced by

$$\left(\frac{M_t^2}{M_Z^2} \right)^n, n = 1, 2$$

Input Parameters

$$M_Z = 91.1875 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\alpha = 1/137.03599976$$

$$G_\mu = 1.16637 \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

$$\Delta\alpha_h^{(5)} = 0.02761 \pm 0.00036$$

$$(M_t)_{OLD} = 174.3 \pm 5.1 \text{ GeV}$$

$$(M_t)_{NEW} = 178.0 \pm 4.3 \text{ GeV}$$

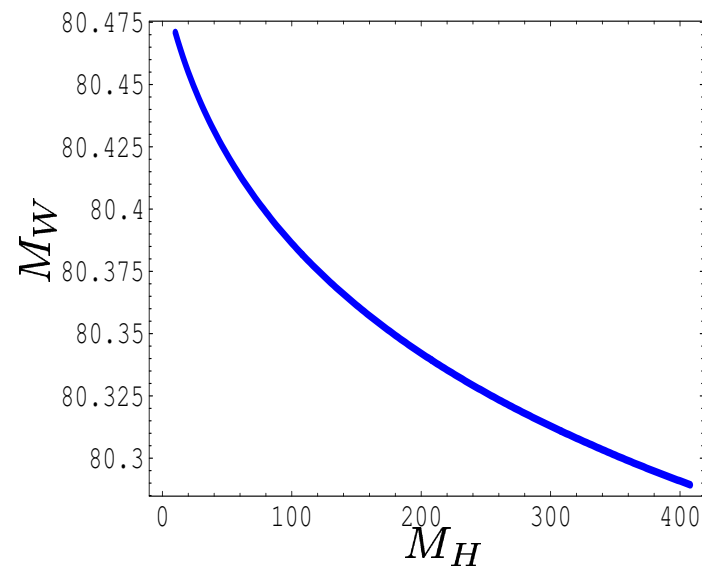
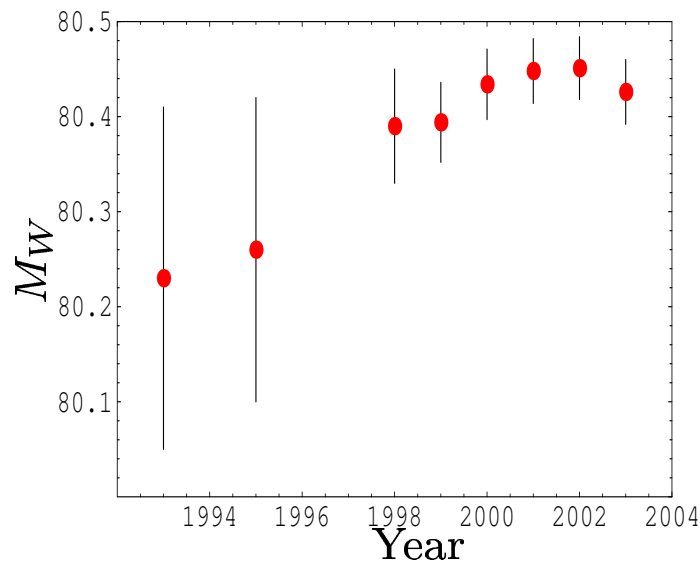
$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.118 \pm 0.002$$

Summer 2002:

$$M_H = 23_{-23}^{+49} \text{ GeV}; \quad M_H^{95} = 122 \text{ GeV}$$

Winter 2003:

$$M_H = 45_{-36}^{+69} \text{ GeV}; \quad M_H^{95} = 184 \text{ GeV}$$



★ Let's not forget that M_{top} plays a big role!

Sources of theoretical error

Main parametric errors:

$$\Delta\alpha_h^{(5)} \pm 0.00036 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta s_{eff}^2 \simeq 1 \times 10^{-4} \\ \Delta M_W \simeq 6 \text{ MeV} \end{array} \right.$$

$$m_t \pm 5\text{GeV} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta s_{eff}^2 \simeq 1.5 \times 10^{-4} \\ \Delta M_W \simeq 30 \text{ MeV} \end{array} \right.$$

Truncation error:

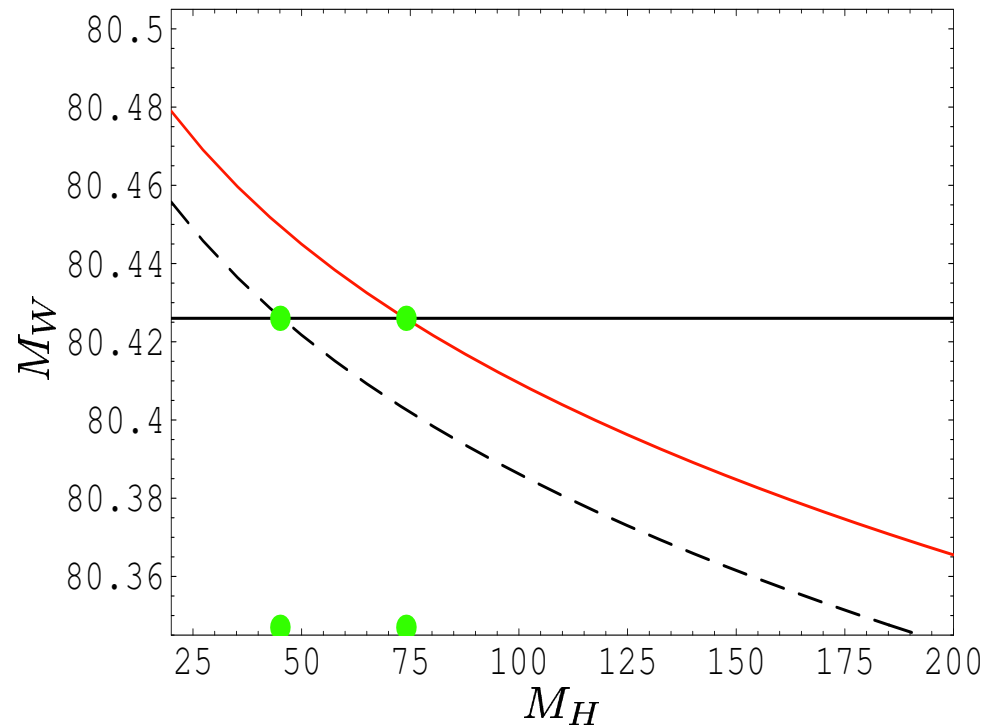
$$\begin{aligned} \Delta s_{eff}^2 &\simeq 6 \times 10^{-5} \\ \Delta M_W &\simeq 7 \text{ MeV} (4 \text{ MeV}) \end{aligned}$$

m_t and its error-bar are crucial!

March 2004: using the NEW value for m_t

$$m_t = 178.0 \pm 4.3 \text{ GeV}$$

we increase the theoretical prediction for M_W by $\approx 20 \text{ MeV!!}$



and obtain: $M_H = 74^{+83}_{-47} \text{ GeV}$; $M_H^{95} = 238 \text{ GeV}$

We compared our results with a recent formula incorporating the two-loop complete calculation of Δr .

M. Awramik, M. Czakon, A. Freitas and G. Weiglein – hep-ph/0311148

⇒ More restrictive results

$$M_H = 36_{-33}^{+65} \text{ GeV}; \quad M_H^{95} = 168 \text{ GeV} \text{ (Winter 2003)}$$

$$M_H = 62_{-43}^{+78} \text{ GeV}; \quad M_H^{95} = 216 \text{ GeV} \text{ (April 2004)}$$

Calculation of Δr

$$s^2 c^2 \equiv \frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2} \left(1 - \frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2} \right) = \frac{\pi\alpha}{\sqrt{2}G_\mu M_Z^2 (1 - \Delta r)},$$

α : Marciano, Sirlin, 1980.

$\alpha\alpha_s$: Kniehl, Sirlin, Djouadi, Verzegnassi, Gambino, 1992.

$\alpha^2 m_t^4 / M_Z^4$: Barbieri et al., 1992.

$\alpha\alpha_s^2$: Chetyrkin, Kuhn, Steinhauser, 1995.

$\alpha^2 m_t^2 / M_Z^2$: Degrassi, Gambino, Vicini, 1996.

α^2 (ferm.): Freitas, Hollik, Walter, Weiglein, 2000.

α^2 : Awramik, Czakon, Onishchenko, Veretin, 2002.

$\alpha^2 \alpha_s^2 m_t^4 / M_Z^4$, $\alpha^3 m_t^6 / M_Z^6$: Faisst, Kuhn, Seidensticker, Veretin, 2003.

$$\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lept}$$

$$(\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lept})_{exp} = 0.23150 \pm 0.00016$$

Using this value (and the **new** m_t):

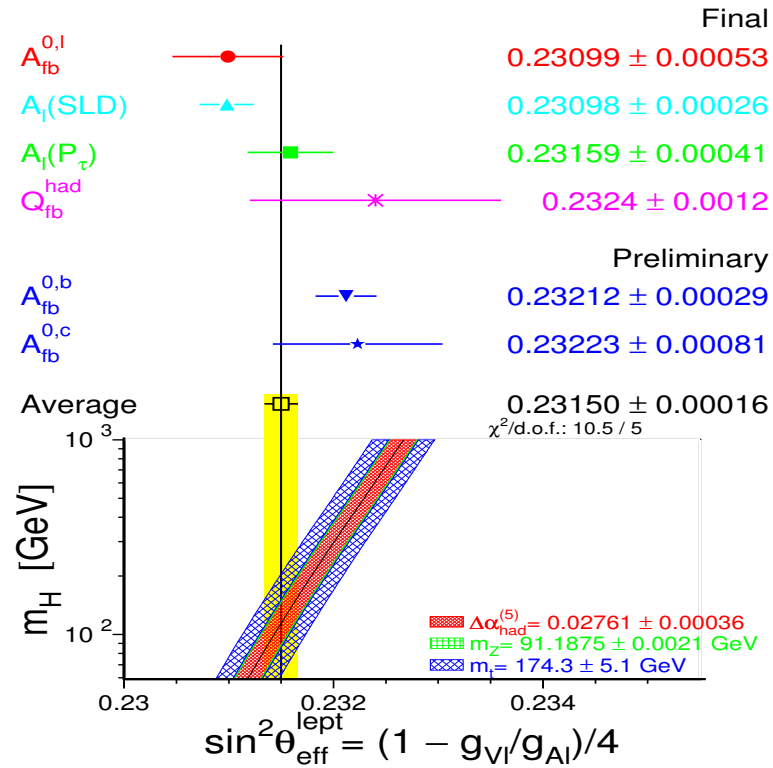
$$M_H = 159_{-61}^{+92} \text{ GeV}; \quad M_H^{95} = 332 \text{ GeV};$$

and combining with M_W :

$$M_H = 138_{-51}^{+76} \text{ GeV}; \quad M_H^{95} = 280 \text{ GeV}.$$

This looks good, if we forget that:

- Data coming from different experiments are **NOT** in good agreement: ($\chi^2/\text{Dof} = 10.5/5$)



$$(\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^{\text{lept}})_{(l)} = 0.23113 \pm 0.00021$$

$$(\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^{\text{lept}})_{(h)} = 0.23214 \pm 0.00027$$

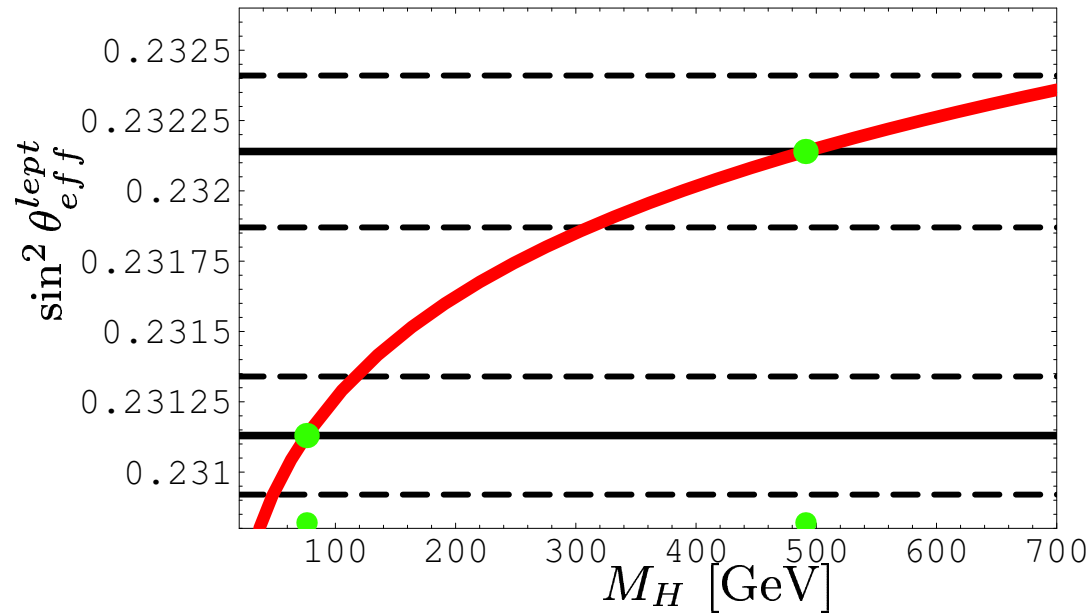
→ the difference is **almost 3 σ** !

$(\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lept})_{(h)} \rightarrow$ heavy Higgs!

$$M_H = 491_{-210}^{+342} \text{ GeV}; \quad M_H^{95} = 1150 \text{ GeV}.$$

$(\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lept})_{(l)} \rightarrow$ light Higgs, but very good agreement with M_W !

$$M_H = 76_{-35}^{+58} \text{ GeV}; \quad M_H^{95} = 190 \text{ GeV},$$



M_W and $(\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lept})_l$ are in perfect agreement!

From M_W :

$$M_H = 74_{-47}^{+83} \text{ GeV}; \quad M_H^{95} = 238 \text{ GeV}$$

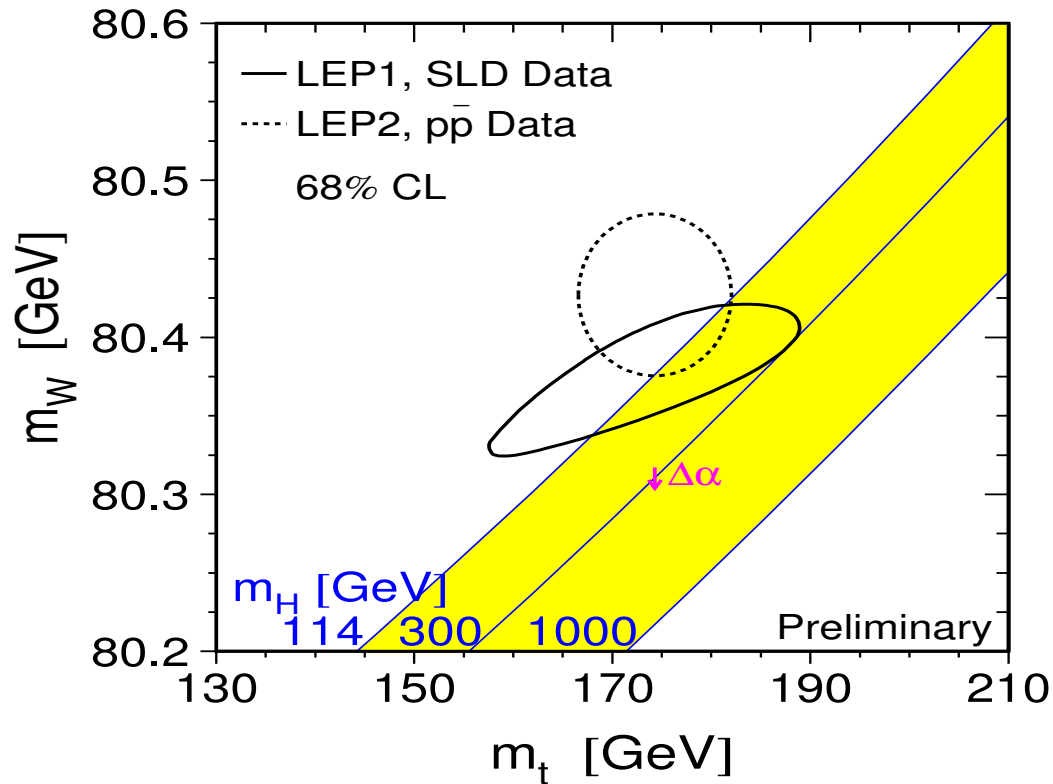
From $(\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lept})_l$:

$$M_H = 76_{-35}^{+58} \text{ GeV}; \quad M_H^{95} = 190 \text{ GeV}$$

Combining them:

$$M_H = 76_{-32}^{+47} \text{ GeV}; \quad M_H^{95} = 166 \text{ GeV}$$

We can perform a different analysis:



- ★ New results on M_H before LHC? Maybe...
- ★ Most likely better new data on M_W and m_t !

Compare at various C.L. the experimental values for M_W and m_t with the theoretical function $M_W = M_W(M_H, m_t)$:

- Assume the validity of the SM
- Take $M_H \geq 114.4$ GeV as a sharp cutoff

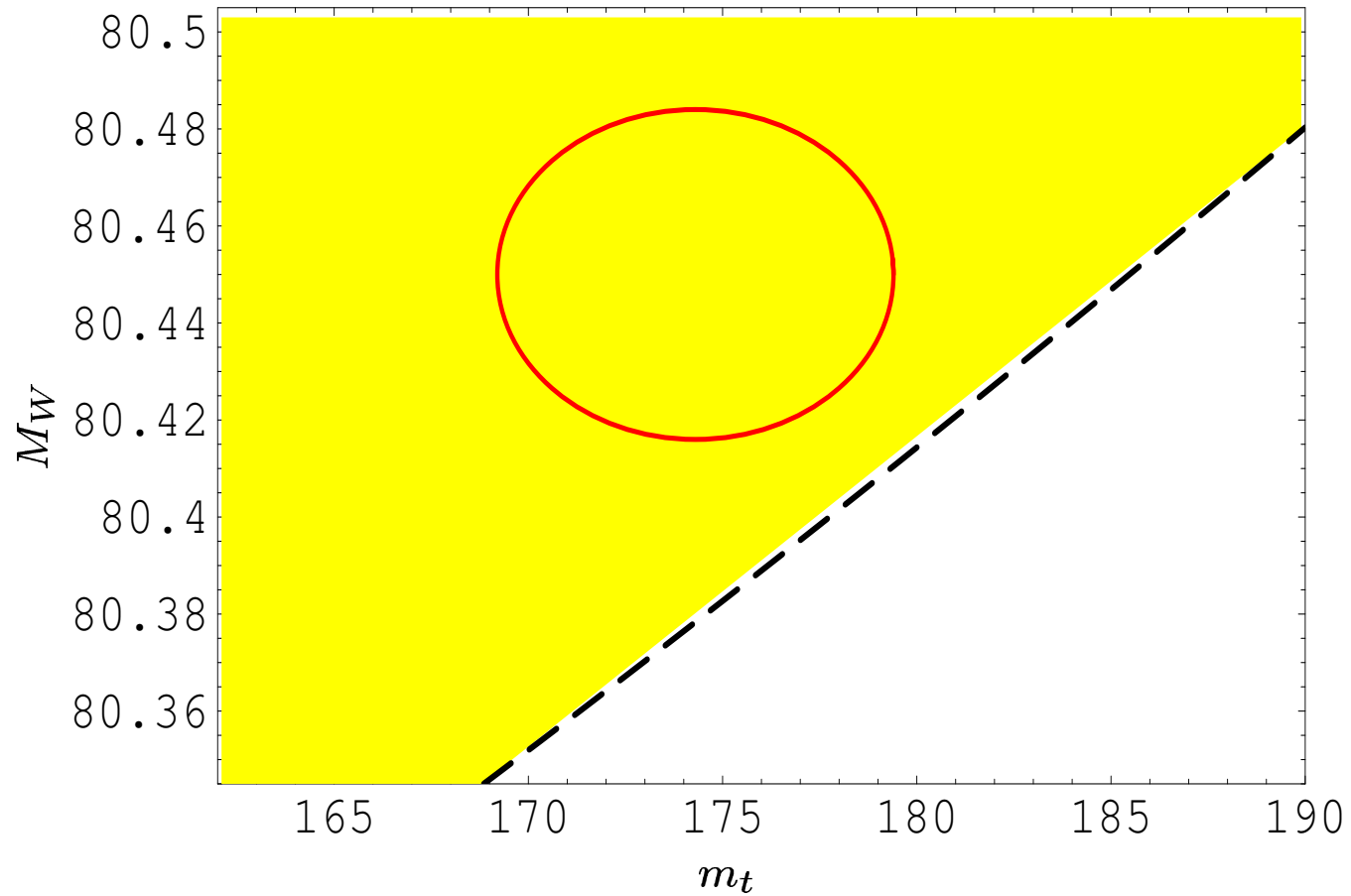
⇒ We obtain allowed regions for M_W and m_t

⇒ Sharp bounds on these parameters

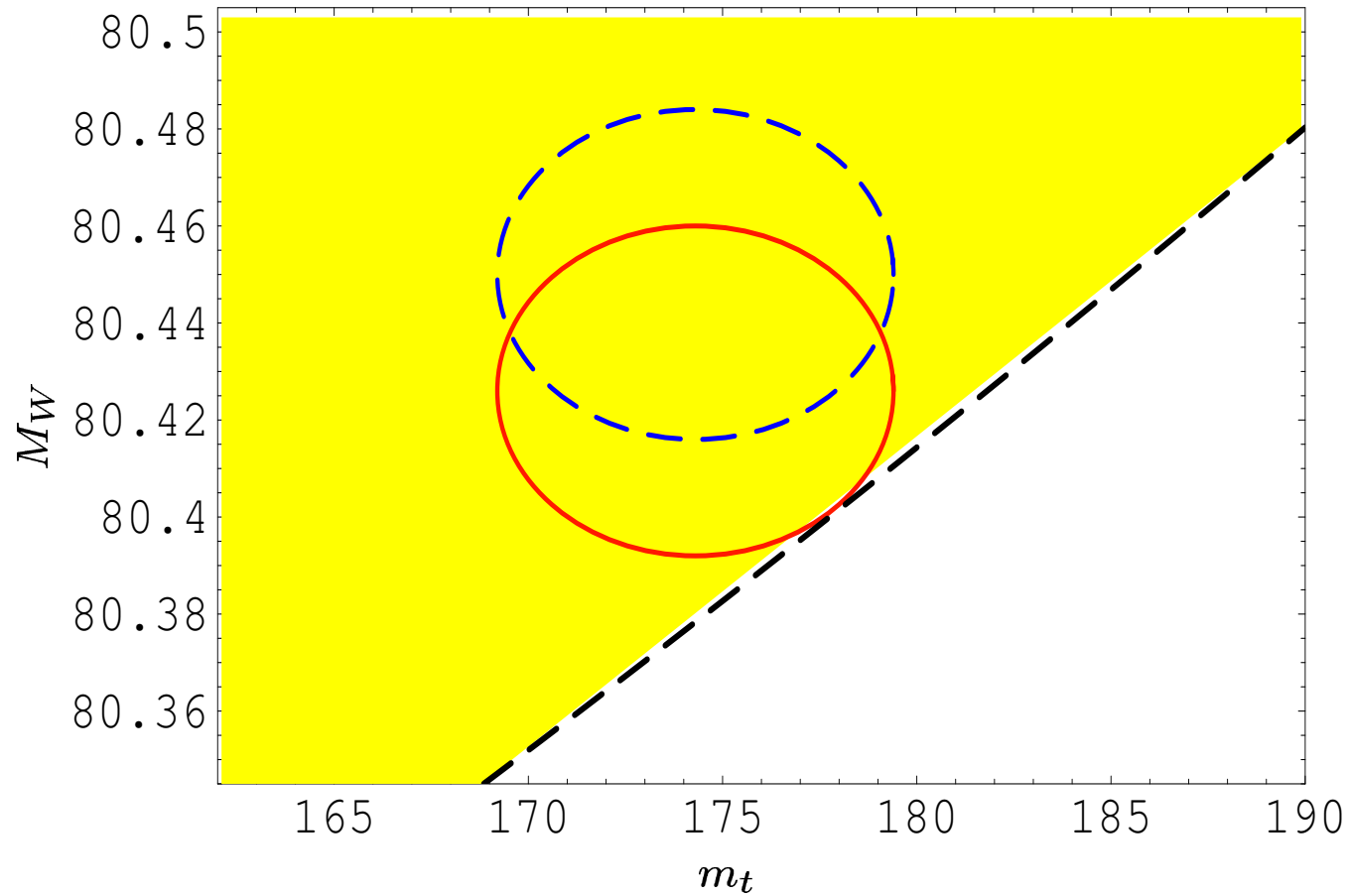
- The same can be done for $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lept}$

A. Ferrogli, G.O., and A. Sirlin – hep-ph/0401196, to appear in EJPC

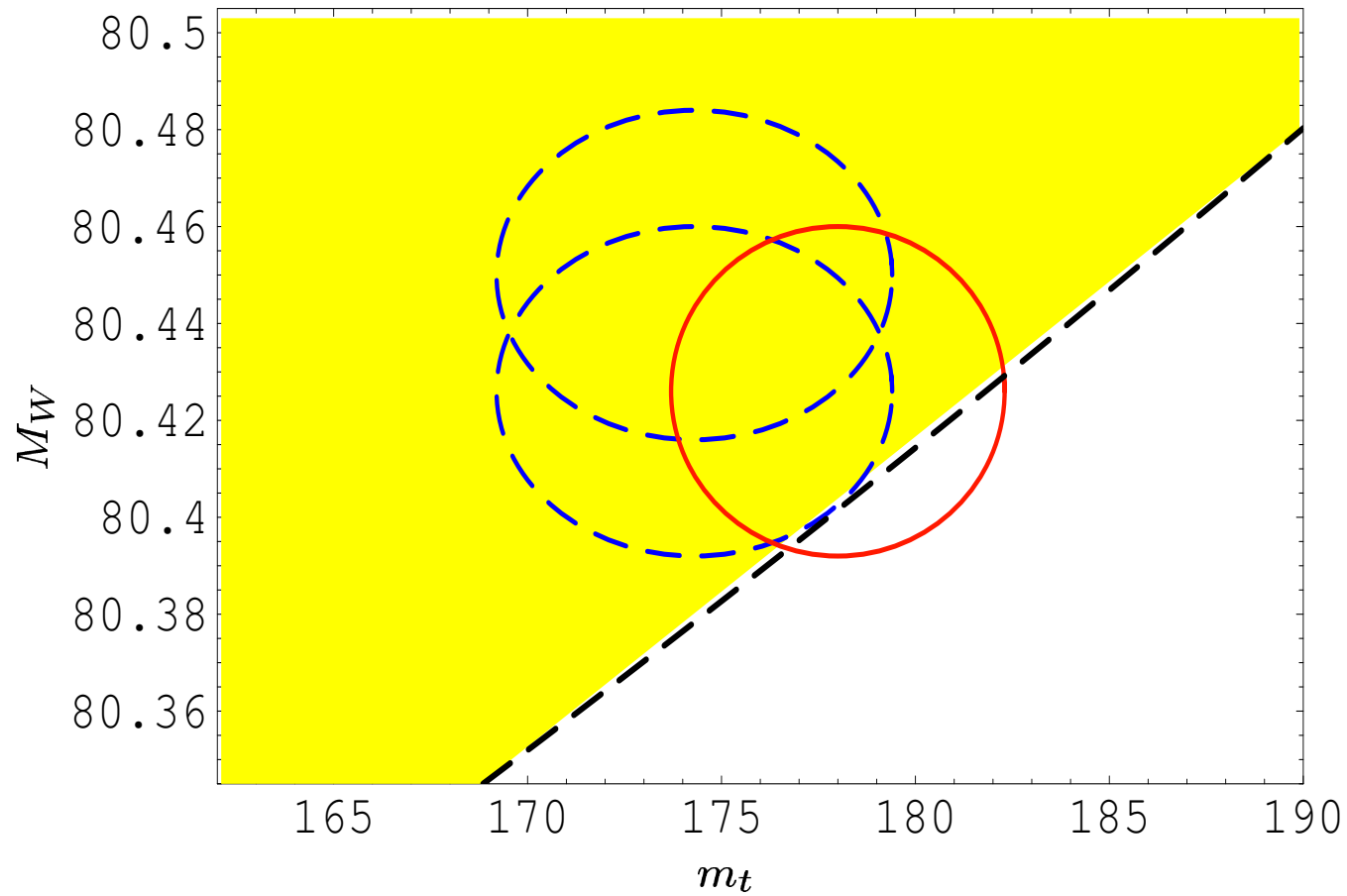
Summer 2002 – 68% C.L.



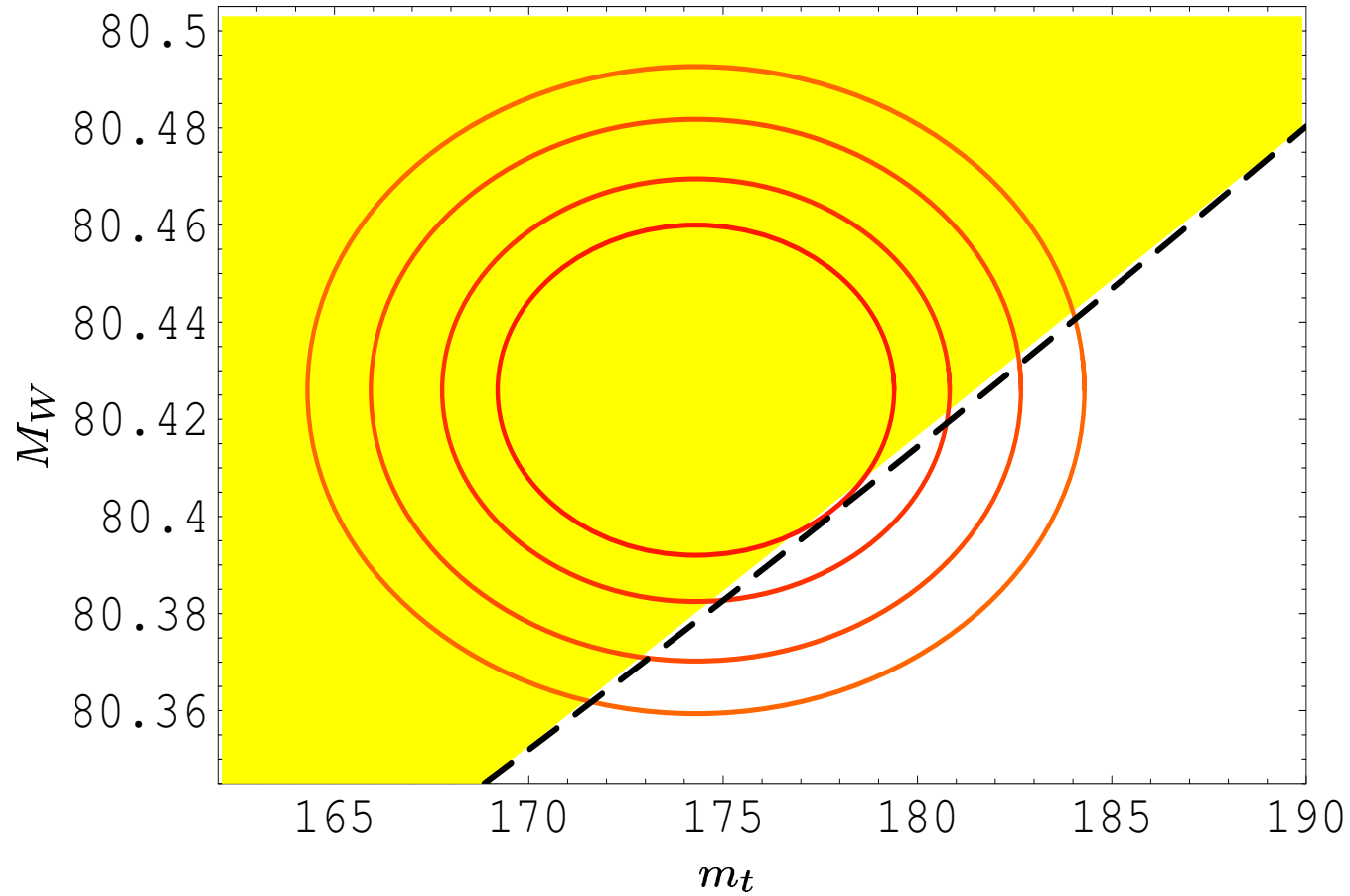
Summer 2002 and **Winter 2003** – 68% C.L.



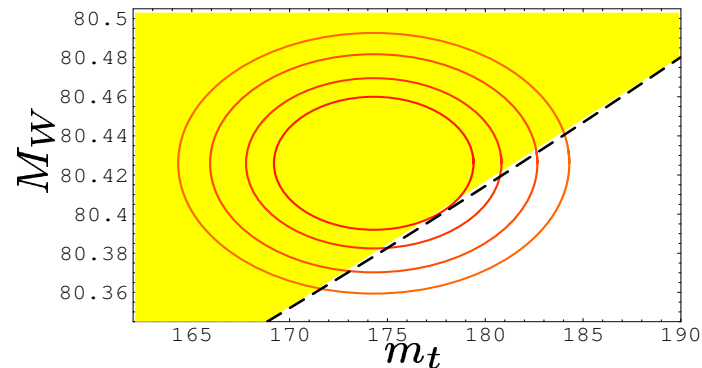
Summer 2002, Winter 2003 and **April 2004** – 68% C.L.



Winter 2003 – 68% C.L., 80% C.L., 90% C.L., 95% C.L.



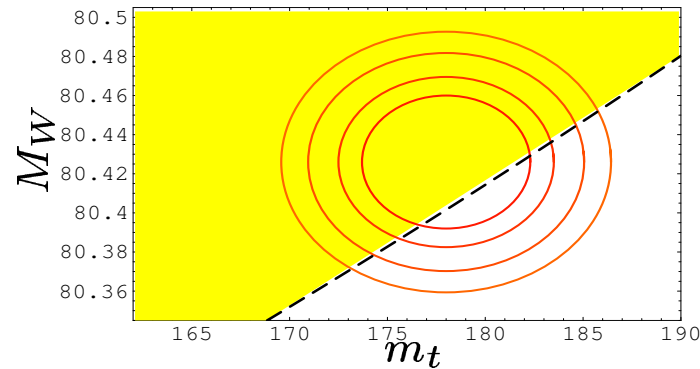
Using the data of [Winter 2003](#), we derived ranges for m_t and M_W



EFF / $\Delta\alpha_h^{(5)} = 0.02761$	range M_W [GeV]	range M_t [GeV]
80% C.L.	80.401 ± 0.018	177.9 ± 2.9
90% C.L.	80.401 ± 0.030	177.9 ± 4.8
95% C.L.	80.401 ± 0.040	177.9 ± 6.3

\Rightarrow Benchmark Scenario: $M_W = 80.401$ GeV , $m_t = 177.9$ GeV
(mid-points independent of the C.L.)

We can redo the same analysis using the data of **April 2004**



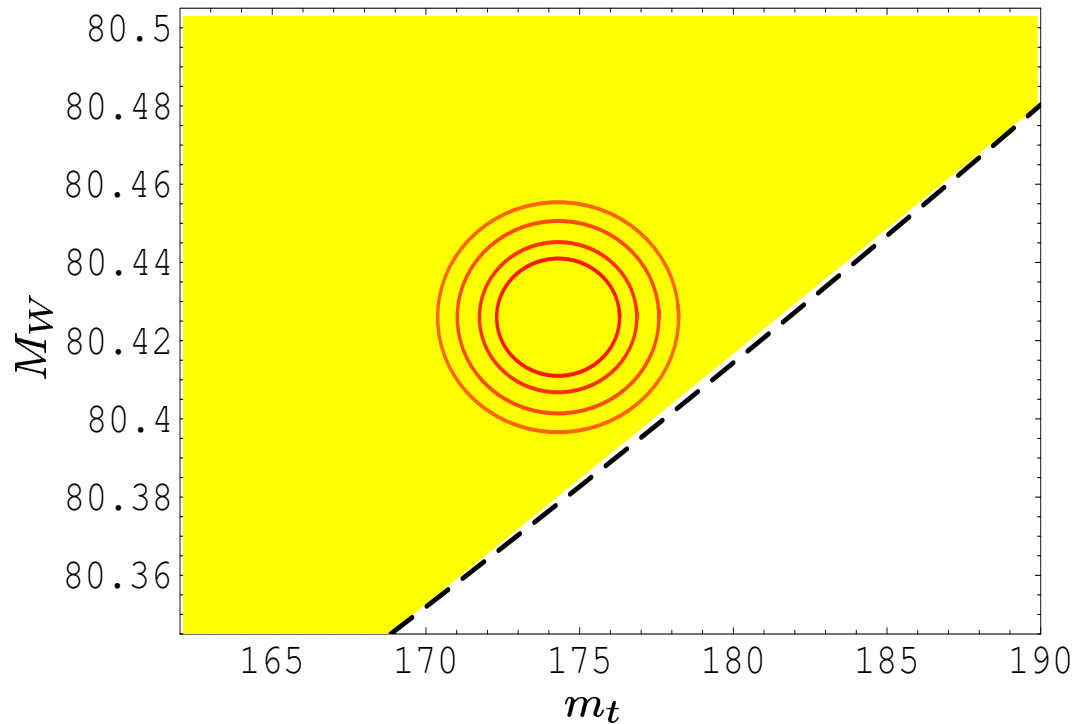
EFF / $\Delta\alpha_h^{(5)} = 0.02761$	range M_W [GeV]	range M_t [GeV]
68% C.L.	80.412 ± 0.018	179.5 ± 2.8
80% C.L.	80.412 ± 0.025	179.5 ± 3.9
90% C.L.	80.412 ± 0.034	179.5 ± 5.2
95% C.L.	80.412 ± 0.041	179.5 ± 6.3

⇒ NEW Benchmark Scenario:

$$M_W = 80.412 \text{ GeV} , m_t = 179.5 \text{ GeV}$$

(mid-points independent of the C.L.)

Using $M_W = 80.426$ GeV and $(m_t)_{old} = 174.3$ GeV
with the error-bars for the **near future** (Tevatron/LHC)
 $\delta m_t = 2$ GeV , $\delta M_W = 15$ MeV

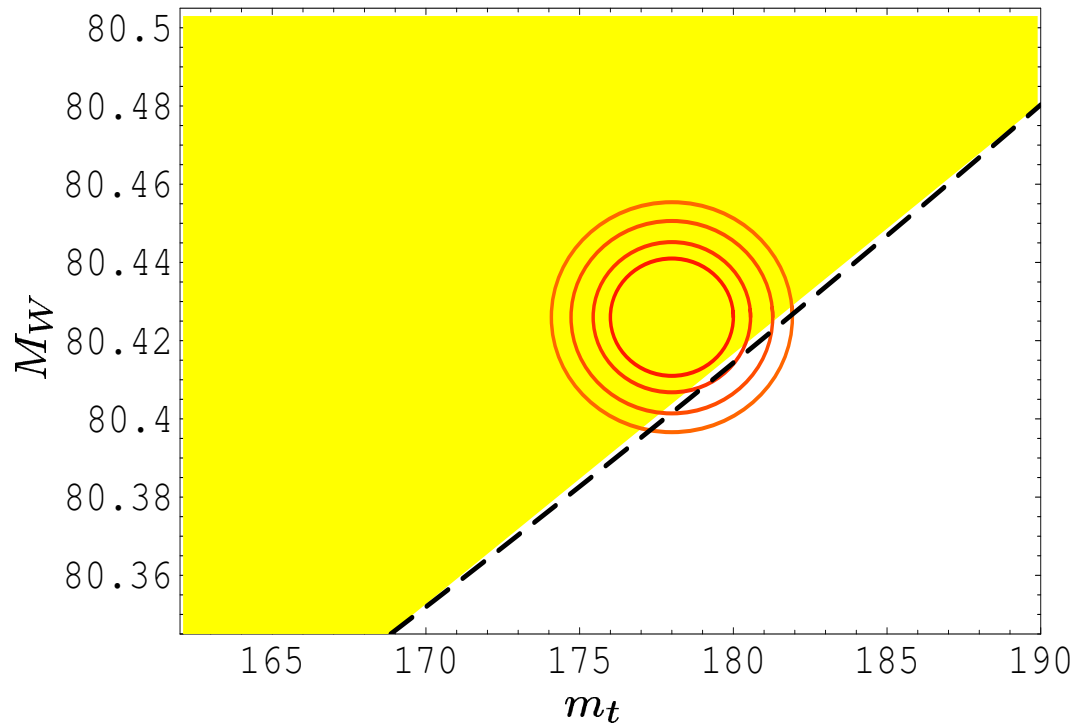


(Winter 2003)

⇒ NO overlap at 95% C.L.

Using $M_W = 80.426$ GeV and $(m_t)_{NEW} = 178.0$ GeV
with the error-bars for the **near future** (Tevatron/LHC)

$$\delta m_t = 2 \text{ GeV} , \delta M_W = 15 \text{ MeV}$$



(April 2004)

⇒ NO problems in the near future

What if we really find the Higgs? (at LHC)

⇒ No more free parameters to play with

⇒ M_W depends logarithmically on M_H !

$$M_H = 150 \pm 10 \text{ GeV} \implies \delta_{M_W} = 4 \text{ MeV}$$

This means, for example, that if

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} m_t = 175 \pm 2 \text{ GeV} \\ M_H = 150 \pm 10 \text{ GeV} \end{array} \right. \implies M_W = 80.362 \underbrace{\pm 0.004}_{M_H} \underbrace{\pm 0.010}_{m_t}$$

Conclusions (as of April 1st, 2004)

How is the SM doing? Is there need for “New Physics” beyond the SM ?

Now, there is **no compelling evidence** for it.

In the future, **maybe not**, but

- ★ This analysis is very sensitive to M_W and m_t
(Be careful, error-bars will shrink)
- ★ We should give an answer to the $\sin^2 \theta_{eff}^{lept}$ anomaly
- ★ The discovery of the Higgs boson will change the game...