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Electroweak Symmetry and Theory

Message from the Guest Editor

The Standard Model of elementary particle physics is almost consistent with experiments below O(100) GeV. However, there exist some mysteries, and one of the biggest question is "what is the origin of electroweak symmetry breaking?". It implies an existence of fundamental physics behind the Standard Model (Beyond the Standard Model (BSM)), and it is an important clue to search the BSM. For the BSM, people have suggested "supersymmetry (SUSY)", "extradimension theory", "techni-color theory", etc. We must consider electroweak precision observables seriously. It is very well-come a new idea.

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