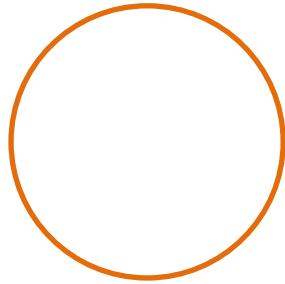


Up



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Up
Surname: Quark

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, gluon, photon

Mass: very light

Charge: +2/3

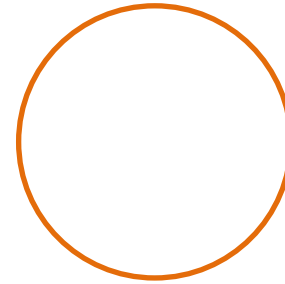
one of the main components of protons and neutrons

together with the down they are the lightest of all quarks

amongst the first quarks to be discovered

physicists thought up and down were the only quarks

Down



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Down
Surname: Quark

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, gluon, photon

Mass: very light

Charge: -1/3

one of the main components of protons and neutrons

together with the up they are the lightest of all quarks

amongst the first quarks to be discovered

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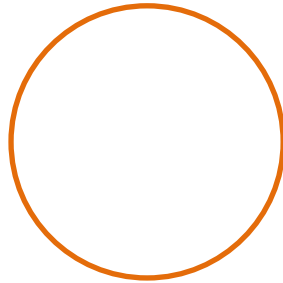
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Anti-up



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Name: Anti-up
Surname: Quark

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, gluon, photon

Mass: very light

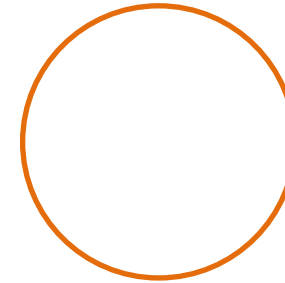
Charge: -2/3

one of the main
components of anti-protons
and anti-neutrons

together with the anti-
down they are the lightest
of all anti-quarks

when colliding with an up
quark they annihilate

Anti-down



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Anti-down
Surname: Quark

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, gluon, photon

Mass: very light

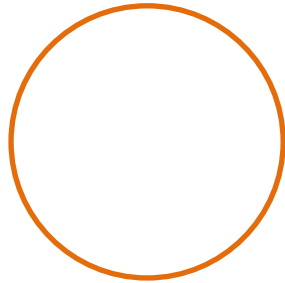
Charge: +1/3

one of the main
components of anti-
protons and anti-neutrons

together with the anti-up
they are the lightest of all
anti-quarks

when colliding with a down
quark they annihilate

Charm



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Charm
Surname: Quark

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, gluon, photon

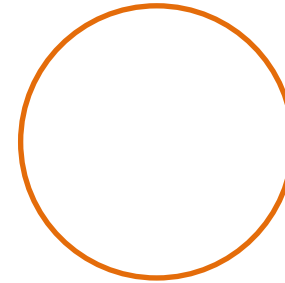
Mass: heavy

Charge: +2/3

it is called charm because, when it was discovered, the mathematical calculations in the theory worked like a charm

it was discovered in 1974

Strange



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Strange
Surname: Quark

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, gluon, photon

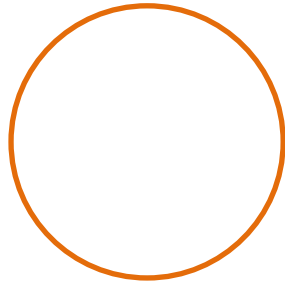
Mass: light

Charge: -1/3

it is called strange because the first time it was seen physicists did not understand what it was

it was discovered in 1964

Anti-charm



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Snap

Name: Anti-charm
Surname: Quark

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, gluon, photon

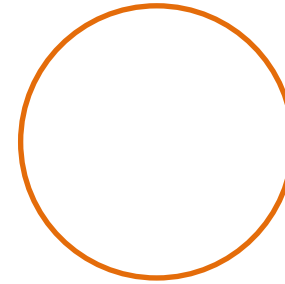
Mass: heavy

Charge: $-2/3$

it is called anti-charm because, when it was discovered, the mathematical calculations in the theory worked like a charm

when colliding with a charm quark they annihilate

Anti-strange



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Snap

Name: Anti-strange
Surname: Quark

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, gluon,
photon

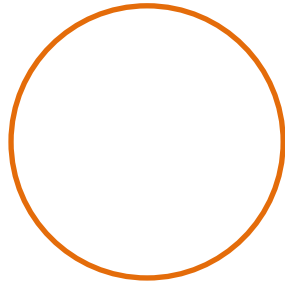
Mass: light

Charge: $+1/3$

it is called anti-strange because the first time it was seen physicists did not understand what it was

when colliding with a strange quark they annihilate

Top



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Top
Surname: Quark

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, gluon, photon

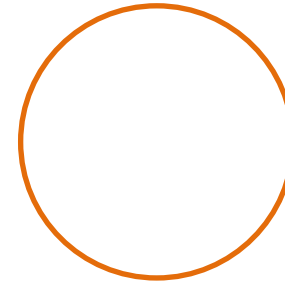
Mass: very heavy

Charge: +2/3

it is called top because it is the heaviest quark

it has the shortest life of all quarks

Beauty



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Beauty
Surname: Quark

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, gluon, photon

Mass: heavy

Charge: -1/3

it is called beauty because when it was discovered physicists realised that there is a set of 6 quarks, which made the theory beautiful

some physicists call it bottom quark



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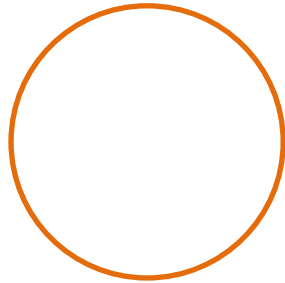
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Anti-top



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Snap

Name: Anti-top
Surname: Quark

Likes: Z, W+,
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Mass: very heavy

Charge: -2/3

when colliding with a top quark they annihilate

it is called anti-top because it is the heaviest anti-quark

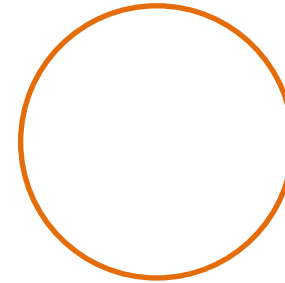
it has the shortest life of all anti-quarks



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Anti-beauty



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Snap

Name: Anti-beauty
Surname: Quark

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, gluon, photon

Mass: heavy

Charge: +1/3

when colliding with a beauty quark they annihilate

it is called anti-beauty because when it was discovered physicists realised that there is a set of 6 anti-quarks, which made the theory beautiful

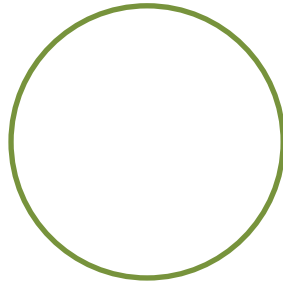
some physicists call it anti-bottom quark



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Electron



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Electron
Surname: Lepton

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, photon

Mass: very light

Charge: -1

it can be found inside atoms

it is the particle that runs along electric circuits and gives us electricity

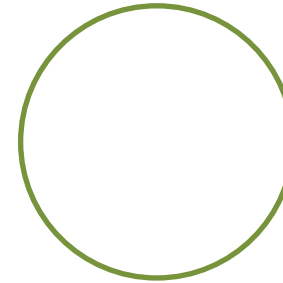
it was discovered in Cambridge in 1897



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Electron neutrino



Happy Families

Snap

Name:
Electron neutrino
Surname: Lepton

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, photon

Mass: very light

Charge: 0

elusive particle, like the “phantom” of the particle world; difficult to catch or to track down

it can pass through our body without us noticing

it travels almost at the speed of light

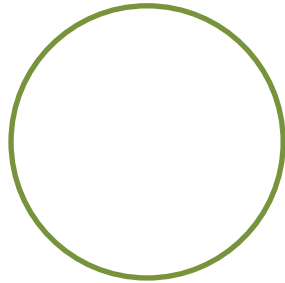
the Sun produces lots of them



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Anti-electron



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Snap

Name: Anti-electron
Surname: Lepton

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, photon

Mass: very light

Charge: +1

it is also called positron

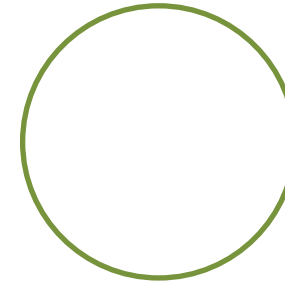
when colliding with an
electron they annihilate



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Anti-electron neutrino



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Anti-
electron neutrino
Surname: Lepton

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, photon

Mass: very light

Charge: 0

it comes from space
(cosmic anti-neutrinos)

it can pass through our
body without us noticing

when colliding with an
electron neutrino they
annihilate

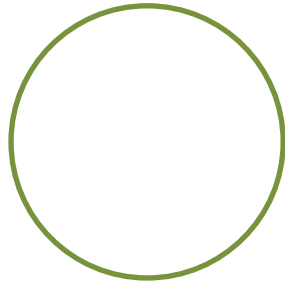
it travels almost at the
speed of light



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Muon



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Muon
Surname: Lepton

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, photon

Mass: light

Charge: -1

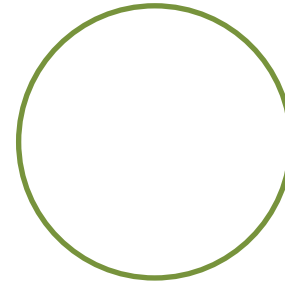
it is 200 times heavier than the electron

they come from space and arrive to the Earth all the time

it can pass through our body without us noticing

it was discovered in 1936

Muon
neutrino



Happy Families

Snap

Name:
Muon neutrino
Surname: Lepton

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, photon

Mass: very light

Charge: 0

elusive particle, like the "phantom" of the particle world; difficult to catch or to track down

it can pass through our body without us noticing

it travels almost at the speed of light

electron neutrinos oscillate into muon neutrinos before arriving on Earth



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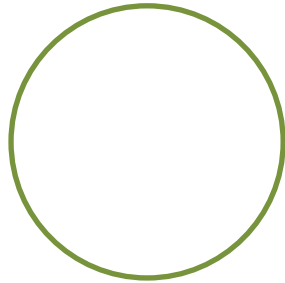
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Anti-muon



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Anti-muon
Surname: Lepton

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, photon

Mass: light

Charge: +1

it is 200 times heavier than
the anti-electron

they come from space and
arrive to the Earth all the
time

it can pass through our
body without us noticing

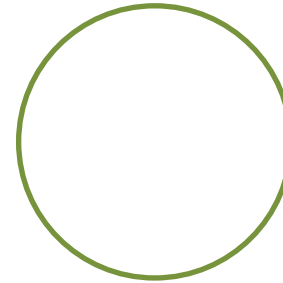
when colliding with a muon
they annihilate



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Anti-muon neutrino



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Anti-
muon neutrino
Surname: Lepton

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, photon

Mass: very light

Charge: 0

elusive particle, like the
“phantom” of the particle
world; difficult to catch or
to track down

when colliding with a
muon neutrino they
annihilate

it travels almost at the
speed of light

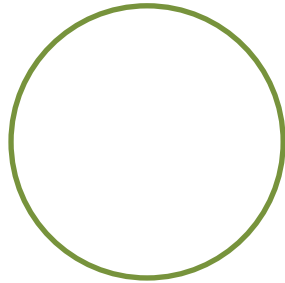
it can pass through our
body without us noticing



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Tau



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Tau
Surname: Lepton

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, photon

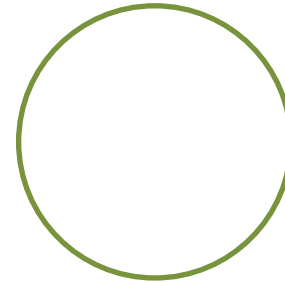
Mass: heavy

Charge: -1

it is 20 times heavier than a muon

it is the heaviest of all leptons

Tau
neutrino



Happy Families

Snap

Name:
Tau neutrino
Surname: Lepton

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, photon

Mass: very light

Charge: 0

elusive particle, like the “phantom” of the particle world; difficult to catch or to track down

it can pass through our body without us noticing

electron neutrinos oscillate into tau neutrinos before arriving on Earth

it travels almost at the speed of light



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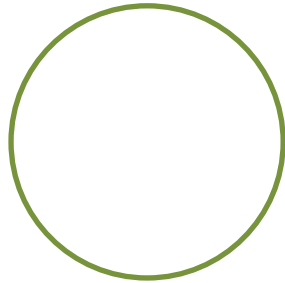
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Anti-tau



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Anti-tau
Surname: Lepton

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, photon

Mass: heavy

Charge: +1

it is 20 times heavier than
the anti-muon

it is the heaviest of all anti-
leptons

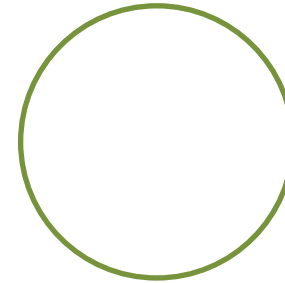
when colliding with a tau
they annihilate



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Anti-tau neutrino



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Snap

Name: Anti-
tau neutrino
Surname: Lepton

Likes: Z, W+,
W-, photon

Mass: very light

Charge: 0

elusive particle, like the
“phantom” of the particle
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to track down

it can pass through our
body without us noticing

when colliding with a tau
neutrino they annihilate

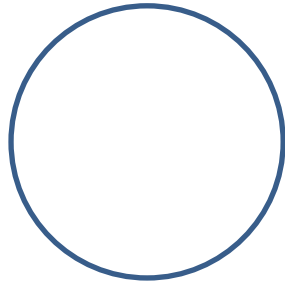
it travels almost at the
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Gluon



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Snap

Name: Gluon
Surname: Boson

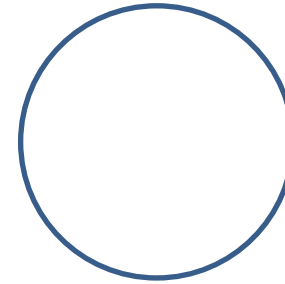
Likes: quarks, anti-quarks

Mass: very light

Charge: 0

it keeps the quarks inside protons and neutrons like a glue

W+



Happy Families

Snap

Name: W+
Surname: Boson

Likes: quarks, anti-quarks, leptons, anti-leptons, Higgs

Mass: very heavy

Charge: +1

it is one of the particles responsible for radioactivity



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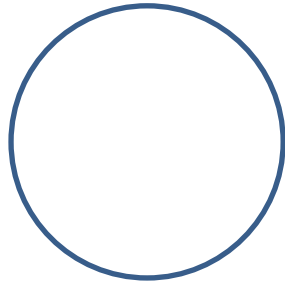
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Photon



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Photon
Surname: Boson

Likes: quarks, anti-quarks, leptons, anti-leptons, W+, W-

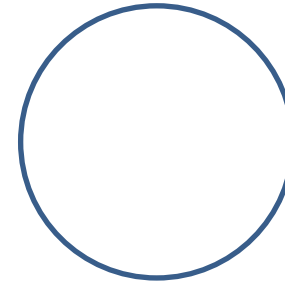
Mass: 0

Charge: 0

the gold medalist of all particles because it can run the fastest and no other particle can match this

it is the particle of light

W-



Happy Families

Snap

Name: W-
Surname: Boson

Likes: quarks, anti-quarks, leptons, anti-leptons, Higgs

Mass: very heavy

Charge: -1

it is one of the particles responsible for radioactivity



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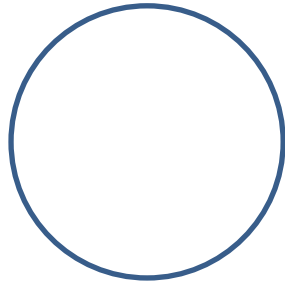
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Z



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Z
Surname: Boson

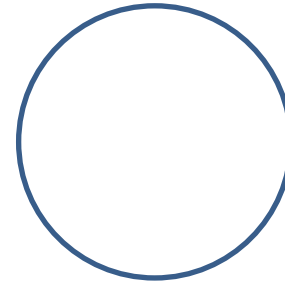
Likes: quarks, anti-quarks, leptons, anti-leptons, Higgs

Mass: very heavy

Charge: 0

physicists thought this was the last particle to be discovered, so they named it with the last letter of the alphabet

Higgs



Happy Families

Snap

Name: Higgs
Surname: Boson

Likes: quarks, anti-quarks, electron, muon, tau, W+, W-, Z

Mass: very heavy

Charge: 0

it got its name from Professor Higgs (University of Edinburgh) who first thought about it

It is responsible for giving mass to all other particles
it was discovered in 2012



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