Higgs Physics – Lecture 1



Higgs Physics at the LHC – Introduction Ricardo Gonçalo – LIP

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17:00 → 18:30	Higgs Physics 1 Introduction Reminder of some shortcomings of the SM: masses, WW scattering. The Higgs mechanism. Production and decay of the Higgs boson at colliders: LEP, Tevatro Previous searches at LEP and the Tevatron. Speaker: Ricardo Jose Morais Silva Goncalo (LIP Laboratorio de Instrumentacao e Fisica E WEDNESDAY, 4 APRIL	© 1h 30m n and LHC. Experimental de Part)	Combined LHC mass measurement	Ц М П
	Discovery of the Higgs boson in the different final states Case-study of the H->WW search Algorithms, challenges, tools Combination of search results Speaker: Dr. Patricia Conde Muino (LIP Laboratorio de Instrumentacao e Fisica Experimen	tal de Part)	and the second construction of the second constr	5 C
	Monday, 9 April			
17:00 → 18:30	Higgs Physics 3 Models, properties, and interpretation. Case-study of the coupling strengths. Case-study of the hypothesis test for different spin-parity assignments. Speaker: Pedro Vieira De Castro Ferreira Da Silva (CERN)	③ 1h 30m		D C
	Wednesday, 11 April	≣ -		
17:00 → 18:30	Higgs Physics 4 - Search for new physics in the Higgs sector. - The Higgs boson and processes beyond the SM. - Extensions of the SM, minimal and non-minimal extensions. - High mass searches. - MSSM Higgs searches: neutral, charged. - Light pseudoscalar, resonant and non-resonant Higgs pair production.	© 1h 30m		L D
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Outlook

- Introduction
- Hard-core theory
 - Lagrangians and symmetries
 - Quantum fields
 - Problems with the Standard Model
- The Higgs mechanism
- The long way to discovery
 - LEP experiments
 - Tevatron experiments
 - Search and Discovery at the LHC
- Higgs boson properties
- Open questions

Introduction

Standard Model particles, interactions, and hard-core theory to set the scene...



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Strong





Standard model interactions

The interaction of gauge bosons with fermions is (very) well described by the Standard Model



Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements

Status: July 2018



Lagrangians, symmetries and all that

Leonhard Euler(1707–1783)

Emmy Noether (1882 – 1935

Joseph-Louis Lagrange (1736–1813)

Reminder: Lagrangians in classical mechanics

The equations of motion of a system are derived from a scalar Lagrangian function of generalized coordinates and velocities (time derivatives of the coordinates)

$$L(q, \dot{q}) = T - V$$

and from the **Euler-Lagrange equations**:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_j} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = 0$$

Example

Particle in a conservative potential V. The Lagrangian

$$L = \frac{1}{2}m(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 + \dot{z}^2) - V(x, y, z)$$

has derivatives (e.g. for x)

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} = m\dot{x}, \frac{d}{dt}(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}}) = m\ddot{x}$$

and Euler-Lagrange's equations

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_j} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = 0$$

finally give us Newton's familiar 2nd law!

$$m\ddot{x} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}, m\ddot{y} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial y}, m\ddot{z} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial z} \Leftrightarrow m\vec{a} = \vec{F}$$

Symmetries and conservation laws

Noether's theorem:

If a system has a contínuous symmetry property, then there are corresponding quantities whose values are conserved in time.

Simplest case: Coordinates not explicitly appearing in the Lagrangian

⇒ Lagrangian invariant over a continuous transformation of the coordinates

Example: mass **m** orbiting in the field of a fixed mass **M**

$$L(r,\phi,\dot{r},\dot{\phi}) = T - V = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{r}^{2} + \frac{1}{2}mr^{2}\dot{\phi}^{2} + \frac{GMm}{r}$$

Since the lagrangian doesn't depend explicitly on ϕ (symmetry with respect to rotations in space), the Euler-Lagrange equation gives

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}} \right) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}} = mr^2 \dot{\phi} = J$$

Where the **angular momentum J** is a constant of motion!

Let's go to quantum fields...

Richard Feynman (1918 - 1988)

Schrödinger's cat (?-?)

Erwin Schrödinger (1887 - 1961)

Now in quantum field theory...

Imagine space as an infinite continuum of balls and springs, where each ball is connected to its neighbours by elastic bands. **Particles are perturbations of this field**



Generalized coordinates are now fields (dislocation of each spring) $q_i \to \phi_i(x^\mu)$

In place of a Lagrangian we have a **Lagrangian density** (we call it Lagrangian anyway, just to be confusing)

$$L(q_i, \frac{dq_i}{dt}) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\phi_i, \partial_\mu \phi_i)$$
 with: $L = \int \mathcal{L} d^3 x$
The new Euler-Lagrange equation now becomes

 $\frac{d}{dt}, \nabla \to \partial_{\mu} = (\frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu})$

$$\partial_{\mu} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_{\mu} \phi_i)} \right) - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \phi_i} = 0$$

Gauge invariance

Take the Dirac Lagrangian for a <u>spinor</u> field ψ representing a spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ particle, for example an electron:

$$\mathcal{L} = i\hbar\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\psi - m\bar{\psi}\psi$$

It is invariant under a global U(1) phase transformation like:

$$\psi(x) \to \psi'(x) = e^{iq\chi}\psi(x)$$

Where $\mathbf{\chi}$ is a constant

$$\mathcal{L}' = e^{-iq\chi} e^{iq\chi} (i\hbar\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\psi - m\bar{\psi}\psi) = \mathcal{L}$$

$$\psi(x) \to \psi'(x) = e^{iq\chi}\psi(x)$$

Original sphere



Global transformation



Local transformação



χ = constant



Local gauge invariance and interactions

If $\mathbf{\chi} = \mathbf{\chi}$ (x) then we get extra terms in the Lagrangian: $\mathcal{L}' = i e^{-iq\chi} \bar{\psi} \gamma^{\mu} [e^{iq\chi} \partial_{\mu} \psi + iq(\partial_{\mu} \chi) e^{iq\chi} \psi] - m e^{-iq\chi} e^{iq\chi} \bar{\psi} \psi$ $= \mathcal{L}' - q \bar{\psi} \gamma^{\mu} (\partial_{\mu} \chi) \psi$

But we can now make the Lagrangian invariant by adding an *interaction term* with a new gauge field A_{μ} which transforms as:

$$A_{\mu} \to A'_{\mu} = A_{\mu} - \partial_{\mu}\chi$$

We get:

$$\mathcal{L} = i\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\psi - m\bar{\psi}\psi - q\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}A_{\mu}\psi$$

A few things to note:

- 1. Gauge theories are renormalizable, i.e. calculable without infinities popping up everywhere (Nobel prize of t'Hooft and Veltman)
- 2. The new gauge field A_{μ} is the photon in QED
- 3. The mass of the fermion is the coefficient of the term on $\psi\overline{\psi}$
- 4. There is no term in $A_{\mu}A^{\mu}$ (the photon has zero mass) \rightarrow this is the beginning of the Higgs story...

Now for the problems...



1: Longitudinal gauge-boson scattering

In the absence of the Higgs, some processes have cross sections that grow with the centre of mass energy of the collision... i.e. breaks unitarity!

The Higgs regulates the cross section through negative interference





Feynman diagrams contributing to longitudinal WW scattering R. Gonçalo - Physics at the LHC 20

2: Mass of elementary particles and gauge bosons

 $\mathcal{L}_{QED} = \bar{\psi}(i\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu} - m_e)\psi - e\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\psi A_{\mu} - \frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}m_{\gamma}A_{\mu}A^{\mu}$

To keep the Lagrangian gauge invariant (against a U(1) local phase transformation) the photon field transforms as:

$$A_{\mu} \to A'_{\mu} = A_{\mu} - \partial_{\mu}\chi$$

But the A^{μ} mass term breaks the invariance of the Lagrangian:

$$\frac{1}{2}m_{\gamma}A_{\mu}A^{\mu} \to \frac{1}{2}m_{\gamma}(A_{\mu} - \partial_{\mu})(A^{\mu} - \partial^{\mu}\chi) \neq \frac{1}{2}m_{\gamma}A_{\mu}A^{\mu}$$

For the SU(2)_L gauge symmetry transformations of the **weak** interaction the fermion mass term $m_e \overline{\Psi} \Psi$ also breaks invariance!

Bottom line: the SM (without the Higgs mechanism) results in wrong calculations and breaks down for massive particles

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The Higgs Mechanism

Robert Brout (1928 – 2011)

Peter Higgs (b. 1929)

François Englert (b. 1932) • Introduce a SU(2) doublet of spin-0 complex fields

 $\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 + i\phi_2 \\ \phi_3 + i\phi4 \end{pmatrix}$

 $\mathcal{L} = (\partial_{\mu}\phi)^{\dagger}(\partial^{\mu}\phi) - V(\phi)$

 $V(\phi) = \mu^2 \phi^{\dagger} \phi + \lambda (\phi^{\dagger} \phi)^2$

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- The Lagrangian is
- With a potential
- For $\lambda > 0$, $\mu^2 < 0$ the potential has a minimum at the origin
- For $\lambda > 0$, $\mu^2 < 0$ the potential has an infinite number of minima at:

$$|\phi| = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{-\frac{\mu^2}{2\lambda}}$$
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The choice of vacuum (lowest energy state of the field) breaks the symmetry of the Lagrangian R. Gonçalo - Physics at the LHC



Electroweak symmetry breaking

- In the Standard Model with no Higgs mechanism, interactions are symmetric and particles do not have mass
- Electroweak gauge symmetry is broken:
 - Photon does not have mass
 - W, Z have a large mass
- Higgs mechanism: mass of W and Z results from the Higgs mechanism
- Masses of fermions come from a direct interaction with the Higgs field





EWK Symmetry Breaking in Pictures



• We have at this point a massive scalar field with vacuum expectation value v and mass $\sqrt{2}$

$$m_h = \sqrt{2\lambda v}$$

 4 gauge fields: W⁽¹⁾, W⁽²⁾, W⁽³⁾, and B⁽¹⁾ which transform to give the massive W⁺, W⁻ and Z, and massless A (the photon)

$$m_W = \frac{1}{2}g_W v$$

$$m_A = 0 \qquad \Leftrightarrow v = 246 \text{GeV}$$

$$m_Z = \frac{1}{2}v\sqrt{g_W^2 + g^2}$$

with g, g_W the couplings of electromagnetic and weak forces

Defining the Weinberg angle as

 $\frac{g}{g_W} = \tan \theta_W$

we also get the relation between the masses of W and Z

$$\frac{m_W}{m_Z} = \cos \theta_W$$

 Fermions get their masses from interaction terms with the Higgs field (Yukawa coupling)
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The Story So Far...

IN THE BEGINNING THE UNIVERSE WAS CREATED

THIS MODE A LOT OF PEOPLE VERY ANGRY AND HAS BEEN WIDELY REGARDED AS A BAD MOVE

PARTÍCULAS DE MATÉRIA

Para cada uma destas partículas, existe uma antipartícula de carga oposta (antimatéria)

PROTÃO

DOWN

STRANGE

BOTTOM

HIGGS

SÍMBOO NOME

Legenda

 $\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I} &= -\frac{1}{4} F_{A\nu} F^{A\nu} \\ &+ i F \mathcal{D} \mathcal{F} + h.c. \\ &+ \mathcal{F} \mathcal{D} \mathcal{F} + h.c. \\ &+ \mathcal{F} \mathcal{D} \mathcal{F} \mathcal{F}_{S} \mathcal{P} + h.c. \\ &+ |\mathcal{D}_{A} \mathcal{P}|^{2} - V(\mathcal{P}) \end{aligned}$

What we think we know:

- Higgs mass (was) the only unknown parameter
- We can give mass to W[±] and Z while keeping the photon massless
- Relation between masses of W and Z
- Higgs couples to W and Z with strengths proportional to their masses
- Higgs couples to all fermions with a strength proportional to their mass

$$m_h = \sqrt{2\lambda}v$$

 $\frac{m_W}{m_Z} = \cos \theta_W$

$$g_f = \sqrt{2} \frac{m_f}{v}$$

Exploring the electroweak scale

- Precision measurements of $m_{\rm W},\,m_{\rm t},\,m_{\rm H}$ are stringent tests of the SM at the EW scale
 - E.g. excluding measured m_H, global EW fit gives m_H = 90 ± 21 GeV (1.7 σ tension) driven in part by m_{top}

The Long Way to Discovery

A PHENOMENOLOGICAL PROFILE OF THE HIGGS BOSON

John ELLIS, Mary K. GAILLARD * and D.V. NANOPOULOS ** CERN, Geneva

Received 7 November 1975

We should perhaps finish with an apology and a caution. We apologize to experimentalists for having no idea what is the mass of the Higgs boson, unlike the case with charm $^{3),4)}$ and for not being sure of its couplings to other particles, except that they are probably all very small. For these reasons we do not want to encourage big experimental searches for the Higgs boson, but we do feel that people performing experiments vulnerable to the Higgs boson should know how it may turn up.

Electron-positron collider up to s^{1/2}= 209 GeV Integrated luminosity: ~700 pb⁻¹ Shutdown: September 2000











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Low-mass searches at LEP

The decay branching ratios depend only on m_{H^2} :



Higher-mass Higgs production at LEP



Higgs decays: focus on 3rd generation

H→bb̄Z→qq̄	4-jets	51%	WW → qqqq ZZ → qqqq QCD 4-jets
H→bb Z→vv	missing energy	15%	WW → qqlv ZZ → bbvv
H→bb Z→τ⁺τ΄	τ -channel	2.4%	WW → qqτv ZZ → bbττ ZZ → qqττ QCD low mult. jets
H→τ⁺τ [−] Z→qq	τ -channel	5.1%	
H→bb Z→e⁺e µ⁺µĭ	lepton channel	4.9%	ZZ → bbee ZZ → bbµµ

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Summary of all Higgs candidates found at LEP

Invariant mass of all candidates

In total 17 candidates selected

I 5.8 background events expected

Expectation for $m_H=115$ GeV

8.4 events

Corresponding excess was not observed

Final verdict from LEP

m_H>II4.4 GeV @ 95% CL



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LEP's Final Legacy: the Blue Band Plot

<u>m_{Limit}</u> = 158 GeV July 2010 6 Theory uncertainf П Decades of searches $\Delta \alpha_{\rm had}^{(5)} =$ in many 5 -0.02758±0.00035 experiments... 0.02749±0.00012 ••• incl. low Q² data 4 • By July 2010: – LEP+Tevatron+SLD 3 limits - Higgs excluded 2 m_h<114.4 GeV at 95[°]% CL Plus between 158 and 175 GeV Excluded **Preliminary** 100 300 30 01.04.19 R. Goncalo - Physics at the LHC 43 [GeV] m_

Searches at the Tevatron

Proton-anti-proton collider at s^{1/2}=1.96 TeV First superconducting accelerator Shutdown: 30 September 2011 Almost 10 fb⁻¹ of data for analysis

Higgs production at the Tevatron



Most sensitive searches



At low mass use $h \rightarrow bb$ final states

- associated production with W or Z
- challenging: b-tagging, jet resolution
- backgrounds: top, W/Z+heavy flavour di-bosons

- At high mass use $H \rightarrow WW$ final states
 - benefit from high gluon-gluon cross section
 - challenging: lepton acceptance, missing energy
 - backgrounds: top, di-bosons

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The final stand of the Tevatron

- By the end of its lifetime, the Tevatron had very sophisticated analyses of a huge number of channels
- By that time the LHC was collecting data and analysing it very fast
- The CDF and D0 experiments obtained a significant excess of around 3 standard deviations in the mass range 115<M_H<140 GeV
- Not enough to claim discovery, but consistent with the LHC results



Discovery at the LHC

HCh

-CMS

CERN Prévessin



Proton-proton (and Heavy Ion) collider s^{1/2} = 7, 8, 13 TeV so far **Operation started 2008** Physics data from 2010 Expected closure 2035 Luminosity so far: about 150 fb⁻¹ per experiment for ATLAS and CMS

ALICE

At the LHC





It takes time to get it right



EPS-HEP 2011 conference [6]

Discovery channels

Discovery was made in ATLAS and CMS with about 5 fb⁻¹ of 7 TeV data and 20 fb⁻¹ of 8 TeV data per experiment; several channels combined

 $h \to \gamma\gamma; h \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell; h \to WW^*; h \to \tau^+\tau^-; h \to b\bar{b}$

- This means about 400 000 Higgs bosons produced in about 8 000 000 000 000 000 000 (8x10¹⁵) proton collisions
 - Only about 4000 events with Higgs bosons contributed to the discovery



Combining Higgs Channels



 $m_{\rm T}$ [GeV]

(a)

The p_0 Discovery Plot

- p₀ is the combined probability that the background fluctuates to look like signal
- Translated into the one-sided
 Gaussian
 probability



 This corresponds to a probability of 1 in 3.5 million that this was a false positive from fluctuating backgrounds

2013 Physics Nobel Prize Higgs for the Higgs Boson Discovery

François Englert, Belga, born 1932, U. Libre de Bruxelles



Peter Higgs, English, born 1929, Univ. of Edimburgh



"for the **theoretical discovery** of a mechanism that contributes to our understanding of the origin of mass of subatomic particles, and which recently was confirmed through the **discovery of the predicted fundamental particle, by the ATLAS and CMS experiments at CERN's** Large Hadron Collider"



First observations of a new particle in the search for the Standard Model Higgs boson at the LHC



Local p ATLAS 2011-12 √s = 7-8 TeV 10 10-10-6 10-8 xpected Signal ± 1 d 10-1 400 500 110 150 200 300 m_H [GeV]

www.elsevier.com/locate/physletb

Two quotations from the experimental papers presented in this publication:

"... The search for the Higgs boson, the only elementary particle in the Standard Model that has not yet been observed, is one of the highlights of the Large Hadron Collider physics program."

ATLAS Collaboration

" ... The decay to two photons indicates that the new particle is a boson with spin different from one. The results presented here are consistent, ... with expectations for a standard model Higgs boson."

CMS Collaboration

Bost worshes! Peter Higgs

COMING UP NEXT:



Spin and Parity

- First concern after observation!
- Some observable quantities sensitive to J^P: for example angle between leptons from W decay in H->WW
- Pure $J^{P} = 0^{-}$, 1⁺, 1⁻, and 2⁺ excluded with 97.8, 99.97, 99.7, and 99.9% Confidence Level (ATLAS arXiv 1307.1432; CMS Phys. Rev. D 92, 012004)



- Mass: around 125GeV
 Was the only unknown
 SM parameter ^(C)
- For a while, different mass values were being measured in ATLAS and CMS, and in different channels
- Numbers evolved with accumulated statistics
- Current most precise value from ATLAS+CMS has 0.2% precision!

Higgs boson mass





Probing the 125 GeV Higgs



2HDM

Yukawa

couplings

Clavicle

Ribs

Triple coupling λ_3

Aorta

BSM

SO SS

Phys. Rev. Lett. 114 (2015) 191803 JHEP 08 (2016) 045

- Mass Higgs mass measured with 0.4% accuracy:
 - m_H = 125.09 ± 0.21 (stat.) ± 0.11 (scale) ± 0.02 (other) ± 0.01 (theory) GeV
- Couplings:
 - ggF with H \rightarrow ZZ, $\gamma\gamma$,WW **observed** by individual experiments
 - VBF and H $\rightarrow \tau \tau$ observed with >5 σ significance by ATLAS+CMS combination
 - ttH, VH production and H \rightarrow bb **not observed** during Run1
- Couplings compatible with SM:
 - Signal strength: $\mu_{VBF+VH}/\mu_{ggF+ttH} = 1.06^{+0.35}_{-0.27}$
 - Coupling modifiers broadly consistent with SM but still large uncertainty



Significance (σ)			
Prod.	Obs.	Expect.	
VBF	5.4	4.7	
VH	3.5	4.2	
ttH	4.4	2.0	
Decay	Obs.	Expect.	
Η→ττ	5.5	5.0	
H→bb	2.6	3.7	
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$\mu = (\sigma \times BR)_{Obs} / (\sigma \times BR)_{SM}$



arXiv:1804.02716 [hep-ex]; arXiv:1706.09936 [hep-ex]; arXiv:1806.00242 [hep-ex]

CMS

Run 2: Higgs boson mass

- Mass measurement from CMS H→ZZ*→4I: m_H^{ZZ*}= 125.26 ± 0.20 (stat) ± 0.08 (syst) GeV
- New Measurements from ATLAS $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$: $m_{H}^{\gamma\gamma} = 124.93 \pm 0.40 \text{ GeV}$ $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4I$: $m_{H}^{ZZ*} = 124.79 \pm 0.37 \text{ GeV}$
- Run 1+2 combination from ATLAS: m_H = 124.97 ± 0.19 (stat) ± 0.13 (syst.) GeV











JHEP 11 (2017) 047; CMS-HIG-17-015; ATLAS-CONF-2018-002; ATLAS-CONF-2018-018

Differential Higgs boson

cross sections

- Reached a new phase in the exploration of the Higgs sector!
- Differential cross sections:
 - Higgs p_T sensitive to new physics in gluon-tusion loop
 - Number of jets sensitive to modeling of radiation and different production modes





Últimas novidades!!



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O detector CMS no grande acelerador de partículas LHC, em Geneb

rísica de partículas Bosão de Higgs visto (finalmente) a desintegrar-se em quarks bottom

Descoberta anunciada no Laboratório Europeu de Física de Partículas (CERN) é um passo fundamental para perceber como o bosão de Higgs faz com que as partículas fundamentais adquiram massa.

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Casting a wider net



Going beyond the standard model

But the Standard Model is not complete; there are still many unanswered questions.

Why do we observe matter and almost no antimatter if we believe there is a symmetry between the two in the universe?

What is this "dark matter" that we can't see but has visible gravitational effects in the cosmos?

Are quarks and leptons actually fundamental, or made up of even more fundamental particles?

Why are there exactly three generations of quarks and leptons? What is the explanation for the observed pattern for particle masses?

How does gravity fit into all of this?

Many possible theories

There are a large number of models which predict new physics at the TeV scale accessible at the LHC:

- Supersymmetry (SUSY)
- Extra dimensions
- Extended Higgs Sector e.g. in SUSY Models
- Grand Unified Theories (SU(5), O(10), E6, ...)
- Leptoquarks
- New Heavy Gauge Bosons
- Technicolour
- Compositeness

Any of this could still be found at the LHC and most have a connection to the Higgs boson

Additional Higgs bosons?



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Higgs + Dark Matter

- Used 79.8 fb⁻¹ of 13 TeV data
 - High E_T^{miss} (>150GeV) and btagging to suppress backgrounds
 - Reconstruct b-jets as 2 small jets or merged variable-radius (VR) track jets
- Signal benchmark: Type-II 2HDM + U(1)_{z'} symmetry (Z'-2HDM)
- Main backgrounds: tt, W/Z+jets
- Excluded region in $m_A m_{Z'}$ plane





Charged Higgs: H⁺→tb

- Explored single-lepton and dilepton tt final states
 - In range m_{H+}: 200 2000 GeV
- 36.1 fb⁻¹ of 13 TeV data
- Events categories: N_{jets} and N_{b-tags}
 - Allow to constrain backgrounds in simultaneous fit
- BDTs trained in signal regions
 - Separate signal and background for 18 mass points
 - Matrix method used in single-lepton channel
- Extracted limits on σ x BR and on m_{H^+} tan β plane for two MSSM scenarios



 $V(\phi) = \mu^2 \phi^{\dagger} \phi + \lambda (\phi^{\dagger} \phi)^2$

t, b

t.b

ATLAS Preliminary

√s = 13 TeV. 27.5 - 36.1 fb⁻¹

 σ_{agE}^{SM} (pp \rightarrow HH) = 33.4 fb

t, b

t.b

Observed Expected

Obs.

12.9

12.6

20.4

67

50

Expected \pm 1 σ

Expected $\pm 2\sigma$

20.7

14.6

26.3

10.4

60

Exp. Exp. stat.

18.5

11.9

25.1

9.2

70

t, b

t, b

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t, b

 $HH \rightarrow b\overline{b}b\overline{b}$

 $HH \rightarrow b\overline{b}\tau^{+}\tau^{-}$

 $HH \rightarrow b\overline{b}\gamma\gamma$

Combined

10

20

30

40

95% CL upper limit on σ_{ggF} (pp \rightarrow HH) normalized to σ_{ggF}^{SM}



Triple Higgs coupling

- The triple Higgs coupling λ_{HHH} can be probed through di-Higgs production
- Very suppressed in SM!
 - Negative interference between LO diagrams
 - Cross section 1500x less than ggF
- Wide range of decay BR and channel purity
- bbττ analysis:
 - Used 36 fb⁻¹ of 13 TeV data
 - Final state BR(bbττ)=7%
 - Non-Resonant 95% CL limit:
 μ < 12.7 observed (14.8 expexcted)
- Combination: at ≈10 x SM sensitivity – with 3% of the HL-LHC luminosity analyzed

Di-Higgs combination plot here

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Implications for 2HDM

- H(125) assumed to be light CPeven neutral scalar *h* in 2HDM
- *h* production and decay same as for SM Higgs boson



A bit of fun...



- What if...
 - At higher orders, Higgs potential doesn't have to be stable
 - Depending on m_t and m_H second minimum can be lower than EW minimum ⇒ tunneling between EW vacuum and true vacuum?!
- "For a narrow band of values of the top quark and Higgs boson masses, the Standard Model Higgs potential develops a shallow local minimum at energies of about 10¹⁶ GeV, where primordial inflation could have started in a cold metastable state", I. Masina, arXiv:1403.5244 [astro-ph.CO]
 - See also: V. Brachina, Moriond 2014 (Phys.Rev.Lett.111, 241801 (2013)), G. Degrassi et al, arXiv:1205.6497v2; R.Contino, Workshop sulla fisica p-p a LHC, 2013

The universe seems to live near a critical condition JHEP 1208 (2012) 098 Why?!

Explained by underlying theory?

Anthropic principle?







Questions?

Thank you for your interest!

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SAY GOD PARTICLE

ONE MORE GODDAMN TIME

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arXiv:1806.00425 [hep-ex];

Observation of ttH production

- **Direct** access to top Yukawa coupling
- Experimental tour-de-force!
 - Complex final states
 - Large irreducible backgrounds
 - Small cross sections: O(0.5)pb @ 13 TeV
- Use all available final states:
 - H→bb: high stats but low purity BR≈58%, S/B≈1-6%
 - Multileptons: $H \rightarrow \tau \tau$, $H \rightarrow WW^*$, $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$ BR = 30%, S/B=4-34%
 - $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$: clean but low stats BR = 0.23%, S/B=5-200%
 - − $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4$ lep: clean but very low stats BR = 0.01%, S/B=50-500%





ttH observation: bb and Multileptons

ttH(H→leptons)

- Sensitive to: $H \rightarrow \tau \tau$, $H \rightarrow WW^*$ and $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$
- Backgrounds: ttW/ttZ, non-prompt leptons and jets faking taus
- Main uncertainties: signal modelling, jet energy scale and non-prompt lepton estimate
- 4.1 σ observed; 2.8 σ expected

ttH(H→bb):

- Profit from large H→bb branching ratio (58.4%)
- But challenging final state: large ttbb irreducible background, theory uncertainties, combinatorics...
- Main uncertainties: tt+heavy flavours, b tagging, jet calibration
- ATLAS: 1.2*σ* observed; 1.6*σ* expected

For **both** channels:

• Intensive use of dedicated machine learning (NN, BDT) and matrix element methods: suppress fake leptons, reconstruct events, flavour tagging, and enhance S/B



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ttH(H \rightarrow yy) and Combination

- $ttH(H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma)$:
 - New signal categories from BDT discriminant
 - Sensitivity increased by 50%

ttH combination: ttH(H \rightarrow leptons + H \rightarrow bb + H \rightarrow $\gamma\gamma$)

- Run 2 data from 2015+2016+2017 (γγ/ZZ): 79.8 fb⁻¹
 - 5.2 σ observed, 4.9 σ expected
- Adding Run 1: 6.3 σ observed, 5.1 σ expected
- Measured production cross section at 13 TeV:
 670 ± 90 (stat.) +110-100 (syst.) fb





Observation of $H \rightarrow bb$

- See **CERN seminar last week**! (https://indico.cern.ch/event/750541/)
- Largest branching fraction (58.4%) but huge background from heavy flavour production
- Must use associated production: WH/ZH
 - Require 2 b jets + 0 ($Z \rightarrow \nu \nu$), 1 ($W \rightarrow \ell \nu$) or 2 ($Z \rightarrow \ell \ell$) leptons
- Largest backgrounds:
 - Z+heavy flavour (0- and 2-lepton) and tt (1-lepton)
 - − Irreducible background from VZ with $Z \rightarrow bb$







Observation of $H \rightarrow bb$

- Harder p_T spectrum for signal than backgrounds

 Go to high p_T to improve S/B
- Use for event categories:
 - $-75 < p_T^V < 150 \text{ GeV}$ (2 ℓ only)
 - $-150 < p_T^V < 200 \text{ GeV}$
 - $p_T^V > 200 \text{ GeV}$
- Main discriminant variables $m_{bb}^{}$, p_T^{V} and $\Delta R_{bb}^{}$
 - m_{bb} resolution extremely important!



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Observation of $H \rightarrow bb$

- Run 2:
 - Observed (expected) of 4.9 σ (4.3 σ)
- Adding Run 1:
 - Observed (expected) of 4.9 σ (5.1 σ)
- Adding ttH and VBF:
 - Observed (expected) of 5.4 σ (5.5 σ)
 - Observation of H→bb decays
- Adding $H \rightarrow ZZ$ and $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$:
 - Observed (expected) of 5.3 σ (4.8 σ)
 - Observation of VH production



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Combination



- Combined γγ, ZZ, WW,ττ, μμ and bb (incl. ttH+tH modes)
 - Up to 79.8 fb⁻¹ of $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV data
- Combination yields VBF significance 6.5σ (5.3σ expected) from ATLAS alone
- Main production modes (ggF, VBF, VH, ttH) have all been observed!!
- Good agreement with SM predictions
- Overall signal strength:

 $\mu = 1.13^{+0.09}_{-0.08}$

 Quantified space for undetectable decays or modified BR (e.g. BSM H→cc)

B_{BSM} < 0.13 at 95% CL.(*)



(*) In determination of κ_g and κ_v - assumption dependent



Feixes de protões







dipole

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