Higgs Physics – Lecture 1

Higgs Physics at the LHC – Introduction Ricardo Gonçalo – UC/LIP IDPASC Course on Physics at the LHC – LIP, 4 April 2022

MONDAY, 4 APRIL

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, Tevatron and LHC.

Previous searches at LEP and the Tevatron.

Speakers: Ricardo Goncalo, Ricardo Gonçalo (U. Coimbra/LIP)

WEDNESDAY, 6 APRIL

17:00 → 18:30 Higgs Physics 2

Discovery of the Higgs boson in the different final states: Algorithms, challenges, tools, combination of results

Speakers: Pedro Silva (LIP), Pedro Vieira De Castro Ferreira Da Silva (CERN)

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Case-study of the H->bb search, H->bb observation Algorithms, challenges, tools Higgs measurements with H->bb

Speakers: Rute Costa Batalha Pedro (LIP Laboratorio de Instrumentacao e Fisica Experimental de Particulas (PT)), Rute Pedro (LIP)

WEDNESDAY, 13 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.

Speaker: Michele Gallinaro (LIP)



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Outlook



- What is the Higgs boson and what is it good for?
- How did we find it?
- Why do we care?
- And what comes next?

Introduction

The Standard Model particles and interactions, and some theory to set the scene...

What is everything made of???





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Fundamental Forces



Fundamental forces

- Electromagnetic:
 - Carried by photons
 - Acts on electrical charge
- Weak:
 - Carried by:
 - W[±] (charged current)
 - Z⁰ (neutral current)
 - Acts on weak isospin
- Strong:
 - Carried by 8 gluons
 - Acts on colour



Lagrangians, symmetries and all that

eonhard Euler(1707-1783)

Emmy Noether (1882 – 1935)

Joseph-Louis Lagrange (1736–1813)

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)

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

From minimizing the action S, get the Euler-Lagrange equations:

$$S = \int dt L(q_i, \dot{q}_i) \qquad \qquad \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i}\right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} = 0$$

For a point particle in a potential U, with $q_i = x, y, z$

$$L = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{q}_i^2 - U(q_i) \qquad \quad \frac{d}{dt}(m\dot{q}_i) + \frac{\partial U}{\partial q_i} = 0 \qquad m\ddot{q}_i = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial q_i}$$

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Symmetries and conservation laws

Noether's theorem:

If a system has a continuous 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 transformation of these coordinates Example: point 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)

Fluffy (?-?)

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 a relativistic theory we must treat space and time coordinates on an equal footing, so the derivatives in the classical equations are now

$$\frac{d}{dt}, \nabla \to \partial_{\mu} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)$$

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

$$L(q_i, \frac{dq_i}{dt})
ightarrow \mathcal{L}(\phi_i, \partial_\mu \phi_i)$$
 with: $L = \int \mathcal{L} d^3 x$

The new Euler-Lagrange equation now becomes

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

- Example Lagrangians and equations of motion:
- Klein-Gordon Lagrangian for spin 0 particles (scalars):

$$\mathcal{L}_{KG} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_{\mu} \phi) (\partial^{\mu} \phi) - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2$$

$$\partial_{\mu}\partial^{\mu}\phi + m^2\phi = 0$$

• Dirac Lagrangian for spin ½ particles (fermions):

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

$$i\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\psi - m\psi = 0$$

- Proca Lagrangian for spin 1 (vector) particles: $\mathcal{L}_{P} = \frac{-1}{16\pi} (\partial^{\mu}A^{\nu} - \partial^{\nu}A^{\mu})(\partial_{\mu}A_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}A_{\mu}) + \frac{1}{8\pi}m^{2}A^{\nu}A_{\nu}$ $\boxed{\partial_{\mu}(\partial^{\mu}A^{\nu} - \partial^{\nu}A^{\mu}) + m^{2}A^{\nu} = 0}$
- Important:

Mass terms in Lagrangian are quadratic in the fields

Global gauge invariance

Take the Dirac Lagrangian for a spinor field ψ representing a spin-½ 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 χ is a constant

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

Note: gauge invariance of the Dirac equation can be demonstrated to lead to conservation of probability current j^{μ}

$$j^{\mu} = (\rho, \mathbf{J}) = \overline{\psi} \gamma^{\mu} \psi$$

Local gauge invariance and interactions

If $\chi = \chi (x)$ 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:

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

Note:

- 1. The new gauge field A_{μ} is the photon in QED
- 2. The mass of the fermion is the coefficient of the term on $\overline{\psi}\psi$
- 3. There is no term in $A_{\mu}A^{\mu}$ (the photon has zero mass) R. Gonçalo - Physics at the LHC

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Original sphere





χ = constant

Local transformação





Weak Neutral Currents and Electroweak Unification



Electroweak Unification

- Weak CC interactions explained by W^{\pm} boson exchange
- W^\pm bosons are charged, thus they couple to the γ

- Cross-section diverges at high energy
- Divergence cured by introducing Z boson
- Extra diagram for $e^-e^+ o W^+W^-$
- Idea only works if γ , W^{\pm} , Z couplings are related \Rightarrow Electroweak Unification



Sheldon Glashow's "stumbling block"

- There are hints that EM and weak interactions have a common origin
 - Similar gauge structure
 - W[±] couples to charge
- But there are obvious differences:
 - Different masses of W[±],
 Z and photon
 - Structure of the vertex is different

PARTIAL-SYMMETRIES OF WEAK INTERACTIONS

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Abstract: Weak and electromagnetic interactions of the leptons are examined under the hypothesis that the weak interactions are mediated by vector bosons. With only an isotopic triplet of leptons coupled to a triplet of vector bosons (two charged decay-intermediaries and the photon) the theory possesses no partial-symmetries. Such symmetries may be established if additional vector bosons or additional leptons are introduced. Since the latter possibility yields a theory disagreeing with experiment, the simplest partially-symmetric model reproducing the observed electromagnetic and weak interactions of leptons requires the existence of at least four vector-boson fields (including the photon). Corresponding partially-conserved quantities suggest leptonic analogues to the conserved quantities associated with strong interactions: strangeness and isobaric spin.

1. Introduction

At first sight there may be little or no similarity between electromagnetic effects and the phenomena associated with weak interactions. Yet certain remarkable parallels emerge with the supposition that the weak interactions are mediated by unstable bosons. Both interactions are universal, for only a single coupling constant suffices to describe a wide class of phenomena: both interactions are generated by vectorial Yukawa couplings of spin-one fields ^{††}. Schwinger first suggested the existence of an "isotopic" triplet of vector fields whose universal couplings would generate both the weak interactions and electromagnetism — the two oppositely charged fields mediate weak interactions and the neutral field is light ²). A certain ambiguity beclouds the self-interactions among the three vector bosons; these can equivalently be interpreted as weak or electromagnetic couplings. The more recent accumulation of experimental evidence supporting the $\Delta I = \frac{1}{2}$ rule characterizing the non-leptonic decay modes of strange particles indicates a need for at least one additional neutral intermediary ³).

The mass of the charged intermediaries must be greater than the K-meson mass, but the photon mass is zero — surely this is the principal stumbling block in any pursuit of the analogy between hypothetical vector mesons and photons. It is a stumbling block we must overlook. To say that the decay intermediaries

Electroweak Gauge Theory

• Postulate invariance under a gauge transformation like:

$$\psi \to \psi' = \mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i} g \vec{\sigma} . \vec{\Lambda} (\vec{r}, t)} \psi$$

an "SU(2)" transformation (σ are 2x2 matrices).

- Operates on the state of "weak isospin" a "rotation" of the isospin state.
- Invariance under SU(2) transformations \Rightarrow three massless gauge bosons (W_1, W_2, W_3) whose couplings are well specified.
- They also have self-couplings.

But this doesn't quite work...

Predicts W and Z have the same couplings – not seen experimentally!

Electroweak Gauge Theory

The solution...

- Unify QED and the weak force \Rightarrow electroweak model
- "SU(2)xU(1)" transformation U(1) operates on the "weak hypercharge" $Y = 2(Q - I_3)$ SU(2) operates on the state of "weak isospin, I"
- Invariance under SU(2)xU(1) transformations \Rightarrow four massless gauge bosons W^+ , W^- , W_3 , B
- The two neutral bosons W_3 and B then $\min x$ to produce the physical bosons Z and γ
- Photon properties must be the same as QED \Rightarrow predictions of the couplings of the Z in terms of those of the W and γ
- Still need to account for the masses of the W and Z. This is the job of the Higgs mechanism (later).

The GWS Model



The Glashow, Weinberg and Salam model treats EM and weak interactions as different manifestations of a single unified electroweak force (Nobel Prize 1979)

Start with 4 massless bosons W^+ , W_3 , W^- and B. The neutral bosons mix to give physical bosons (the particles we see), i.e. the W^{\pm} , Z, and γ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} W^+ \\ W_3 \\ W^- \end{pmatrix}; B \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} W^+ \\ Z \\ W^- \end{pmatrix}; \gamma$$

Physical fields: W^+ , Z, W^- and A (photon).

 $Z = W_3 \cos \theta_W - B \sin \theta_W$

 $A = W_3 \sin \theta_W + B \cos \theta_W$

 θ_W Weak Mixing Angle

 W^{\pm} , Z "acquire" mass via the Higgs mechanism.

The GWS Model

The beauty of the GWS model is that it makes exact predictions of the W^{\pm} and Z masses and of their couplings with only 3 free parameters.

Couplings given by α_{EM} and θ_W



Masses also given by G_F and θ_W From Fermi theory $\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{g_W^2}{8m_W^2} = \frac{e^2}{8m_W^2\sin^2\theta_W}$ $m_{W^{\pm}} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}e^2}{8G_F\sin^2\theta_W}\right)^{1/2}$ $m_Z = \frac{m_W}{\cos\theta_W}$

If we know α_{EM} , G_F , $\sin \theta_W$ (from experiment), everything else is defined.

Evidence for the GWS model

• Discovery of Neutral Currents (1973)

The process $\bar{\nu}_{\mu}e^- \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_{\mu}e^-$ was observed. Only possible Feynman diagram (no W^{\pm} diagram). Indirect evidence for Z.





Gargamelle Bubble Chamber at CERN





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• Direct Observation of W^{\pm} and Z (1983) First direct observation in $p\bar{p}$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 540$ GeV via decays into leptons $p\bar{p} \rightarrow W^{\pm} + X$ $p\bar{p} \rightarrow Z + X$ $\rightarrow e^{\pm}\nu_{e}, \mu^{\pm}\nu_{\mu} \qquad \rightarrow e^{+}e^{-}, \mu^{+}\mu^{-}$

> UA1 Experiment at CERN Used Super Proton Synchrotron (now part of LHC!)



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 $\bar{\nu}_{\mu}$



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- Precision Measurements of the Standard Model (1989-2000)
 LEP e⁺e⁻ collider provided many precision measurements of the Standard Model.
- Wide variety of different processes consistent with GWS model predictions and measure same value of

 $\sin^2 heta_W = 0.23113 \pm 0.00015$

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 $\bar{\nu}_{\mu}$

Z

 ν_{μ}



Strength of fundamental interactions



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Now for the problems...



Problem 1: Mass of elementary particles and gauge bosons What if we add a photon mass term to the QED Lagrangian?

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

To keep the Lagrangian gauge invariant (against a local 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 Lagrangian invariance:

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

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

It should not work...



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Problem 2:

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

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





Feynman diagrams contributing to longitudinal WW scattering R. Gonçalo - Physics at the LHC 37

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

• New Lagrangian term: ${\cal L}=(\partial_\mu\phi)^\dagger(\partial^\mu\phi)-V(\phi)$

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

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

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- 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:

$$|\phi| = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{-\frac{\mu^2}{2\lambda}}$$

The choice of vacuum (lowest energy state of the field) breaks the symmetry of the Lagrangian 04.04.22 39



EWK Symmetry Breaking in Pictures





Higgs Properties

- Mass $m_h = \sqrt{2\lambda} v$
- Spin: 1 degree of freedom => 0
- Couplings:
- To gauge bosons

$$g_{hVV} \propto \frac{M_V^2}{v} g_{hhVV} \propto \frac{M_V^2}{v^2}$$

• Yukawa couplings to fermions

$$g_{hf\bar{f}} \propto \frac{m_f}{v}$$

• Self-couplings

$$g_{hhh} \propto \frac{M_h^2}{v} g_{hhhh} \propto \frac{M_h^2}{v^2}$$



The Long Way to Discovery



A PHENOMENOLOGICAL PROFILE OF THE HIGGS BOSON

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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







\Box m_H < 2m_b: H $\rightarrow \tau^{+}\tau^{-}$ and cc dominate; 16

Low-mass searches at LEP



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 \Box m_H < 2m_{π}: H $\rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ dominates;

 $\square m_{H} < 2m_{\mu}: H \rightarrow e^{+}e^{-} \text{ dominates};$



 \Box m_H < 2m_e: H $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ + large lifetime;



The decay branching ratios depend only on m_H:

 \square m_H > 2m_b up to 1000 GeV/c²:



Higher-mass Higgs production at LEP



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



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



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 an 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



LEP and Tevatron: the Blue Band Plot

- Decades of searches in several experiments...
- By July 2010:
 - LEP+Tevatron+SLD limits
 - Higgs excluded for m_h<114.4 GeV at 95% CL
 - Plus between 158 and 175 GeV



Discovery at the LHC Mont Blanc

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Vs = 14 TeV (design) N_p = 1.2 x 10^{11} p/bunch 2780 bunches Peak L = 1 x 10^{34} cm⁻²s⁻¹ (design) $\beta^* = 55$ cm Run 1: 2009 – 2013 Vs = 7/8 TeV Run 2: 2015 – 2018 Vs = 13 TeV

Design (p-p run):

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CMS

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LHC 27 km

ATLAS

ATLAS 3000 colaboradores 175 institutos de 38 países L = 44 m, $\emptyset \approx 25$ m, 7 000 t

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CMS

3800 colaboradores 199 institutos de 43 países L = 22 m, $\emptyset \approx$ 15 m, 14 000 t

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Muon Spectrometer: $|\eta| < 2.7$ Air-core toroid + gas-based muon chambers $\sigma/p_T = 2\%$ @ 50GeV to 10% @ 1TeV (ID+MS)

EM calorimeter: $|\eta| < 2.5 (3.2)$ Pb-LAr accordion sampling $\sigma/E = 10\%/\sqrt{E \oplus 0.7\%}$

Solenoid: B = 2 T Inner Tracker: $|\eta| < 2.5$ Si pixels/strips and Trans. Rad. Det. $\sigma/p_T = 0.05\% p_T (GeV) \oplus 1\%$ Hadronic calorimeter: Fe/scintillator / Cu/W-LAr σ/E_{jet} = 50%/ $\sqrt{E} \oplus$ 3%



CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN Data recorded: 2012-May-13 20:08:14.621490 GMT Run/Event: 194108 / 564224000

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Higgs @ the LHC

- Many different production and decay mechanisms
 - Span 3 orders of magnitude in cross section and branching ratio
 - Some very clean decays with low BR ($\gamma\gamma$, 4I)
 - Other very difficult with higher rates (bb, WW, $\tau\tau$,...)
- Access Higgs properties through combination of different channels



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It takes time to get it right



EPS-HEP 2011 conference [6]

2012: Descoberta do bosão de Higgs: H->γγ



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



The Standard Model of particle physics <u>completed</u>





A Descoberta do bosão de Higgs





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





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

What now?!



Probing the 125 GeV Higgs



2HDM

Yukawa

couplings

Clavicle

Ribs .

Triple coupling λ_3

Aorta

BSM

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Signal strength measurements



Higgs boson mass

- 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



Higgs boson mass

- Mass measurement from
 - H→ZZ*→4I
 - $H {\rightarrow} \gamma \gamma$
- Precision at the permille level achieved


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}



Higgs boson width

- SM Higgs width $\Gamma_{H}^{4.1}$ MeV
 - Too small to be measured directly
 - Best direct limit from CMS:
 - Γ_H < 1.1GeV @ 95% CL
- Off-shell Higgs production sensitive(*) to Γ_H

$$\frac{\mu_{\rm off-shell}}{\mu_{\rm on-shell}} = \frac{\kappa_{\rm g,off-shell}^2 \cdot \kappa_{\rm Z,off-shell}^2}{\kappa_{\rm g,on-shell}^2 \cdot \kappa_{\rm Z,on-shell}^2} \frac{\Gamma_H}{\Gamma_H^{SM}}$$

- ATLAS measurement:
 - pp→H→ZZ→4I and ZZ→2I2v
 - m(H) > 2 m(Z)
 - 36.1 fb⁻¹ of 13 TeV data
 - Observed (expected) limit:
 - Γ_H < 14.4 (15.2) MeV





Measuring the Higgs Spin

 Polar angle θ in the rest frame of the diphoton systen (Collins-Soper frame)





Casting a wider net



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



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

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

$$g^{g} t, b h t, b g^{g} t, b h, t, t, b h, t$$

Di-Higgs combination plot here

Combined

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

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9.2

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6.7 10.4

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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?







Yukawa coupling to fermions

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Bosão de Higgs revela que relação mantém com o quark *top*

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Investigadores portugueses participaram na descoberta.

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

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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And many many more...





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Measurement of the Higgs boson decaying to *b*-quarks produced in association with a top-quark pair in *pp* collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV with the ATLAS detector

The ATLAS Collaboration

The associated production of a Higgs boson with a top-quark pair is measured in events characterised by the presence of one or two electrons or muons. The Higgs boson decay into a *b*-quark pair is considered. The analysed data, corresponding to an integrated luminosity of 139 fb⁻¹, were collected in proton-proton collisions at the Large Hadron Collider between 2015 and 2018 at a centre-of-mass energy of $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV. The measured signal strength, defined as the ratio of the measured signal yield to that predicted by the Standard Model, is $0.43^{+0.36}_{-0.51}$. This result corresponds to an observed (expected) significance of 1.3 (3.0) standard deviations, in agreement with the Standard Model prediction. For the first time, the signal strength is measured differentially in bins of the Higgs boson transverse momentum in the simplified template cross-section framework, including a bosted selection targeting Higgs boson transverse momentum above 300 GeV.



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ttH CP measurement

Recent measurement in this channel gives limits to a CPodd admixture in the Higgs Yukawa coupling





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Summary

- Higgs sector measurements look SMlike so far
- But there is new physics out there!
- Higgs is a unique particle at the center of the Standard Model edifice
- It is the only fundamental scalar and connected to electroweak symmetry breaking
- A great window to look beyond the Standard Model
- And we have only collected ≈150 fb⁻¹ of 3000 fb⁻¹ of 13 TeV data expected at the HL-LHC





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