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Opening Remarks



- Short biographical sketch: Ulrich Husemann
 - PhD: U Siegen (2005) \rightarrow HERA-B experiment (DESY)
 - Postdoc (2005-2008): U Rochester, Yale U
 → CDF experiment (Tevatron p anti-p collider, Fermilab)
 - Since 2008: leader of a Young Investigator Group at DESY (Zeuthen site) → ATLAS experiment (LHC, CERN)
- Goals for the next two days:
 - These lectures should give you better understanding of experimental challenges at the Large Hadron Collider (LHC)
 - These are lectures, not a scientific seminar
 → you are encouraged to interrupt me and ask questions

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 - Open questions in particle physics
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Chapter 1

Open Questions in Particle Physics

The Standard Model





- Very economic model of nature at the fundamental level
 - 12 matter particles (fermions)
 - 3 forces (carriers: bosons)
- Experiments have confirmed this model to incredible precision, but...



[Fermilab Media Service]

...what about the Higgs?



- Cornerstone of the SM: the Higgs boson
 - Responsible for electroweak symmetry breaking
 → masses for gauge bosons and fermions
 - Despite many efforts: not yet discovered...



Tevatron Run II Preliminary, L=0.9-4.2 fb⁻¹

Open Questions 2009







[http://www.research.vt.edu/ resmag/sciencecol/ 2002asymmetry.html]

- But even with the Higgs: many open questions, e.g.
 - Unification of forces: why is gravity so much weaker than the other forces?
 - Energy density of the universe: only 4% baryonic matter
 - Matter/antimatter
 asymmetry: why is there
 almost no antimatter in the
 universe?

Answers?



- Many models of physics beyond the standard model (see lecture by S. Moch):
 - Supersymmetry (symmetry between bosons and fermions)
 - Extra space dimensions
 - New strong force
 - ...
- We need experiments to find out which path nature has chosen (maybe none of the above!)
- The Large Hadron Collider (LHC) at CERN will push the energy frontier: there is hope for a new era of discovery



Chapter 2

The LHC Accelerator

Particle Accelerators



- Particle accelerators: key technology for particle physics since the 1930ies (first cyclotron by E.O. Lawrence, UC Berkeley, 1929)
- Distinguish accelerator types by
 - Shape: linear accelerator (LINAC) vs. synchrotron
 - Particles accelerated: electrons, (anti-)protons, heavy ions





Proton (Quarks & Gluons)



Collision of two Lead Nuclei

More details: lecture by W. Decking

Types of Experiments

- Physics reach at accelerators driven by
 - Collision energy (in center of mass frame): E = m
 - Number of collisions ("luminosity" → later)
- Fixed target: →
 - Limited energy reach: $E_{\rm CMS} = \sqrt{2E_{\rm beam} m_{\rm target}}$
 - Possibly very high beam intensities
- Colliding beams:
 - Full energy of beams available for physics: $E_{\text{CMS}} = 2E_{\text{beam}}$
 - Need sophisticated steering of beams to reach large collision rate



LINAC vs. Synchrotron



LINAC	Synchrotron
Beams can be used <mark>only once</mark> : need high field gradient for acceleration, difficult to achieve high luminosities	Beams can be accelerated over many turns, stored for hours to days & re-used for collisions
Need excellent beam focusing at collision point (sub-micron beam spot)	Need <mark>strong magnets</mark> to keep beam on circular orbit
No synchrotron radiation	Energy loss through synchrotron radiation ~ (mass) ⁻⁴ , per turn: $-\Delta E = \frac{4\pi e^2}{3R} \left(\frac{E}{m}\right)^4$

Lepton vs. Hadron Collider



- Lepton = pointlike elementary particles
 → lepton colliders are "precision machines":
 - Well-defined initial state, E_{CMS} known \rightarrow kinematics fixed
 - Synchrotron: maximum energy limited by synchrotron radiation (LEP II: about 100 MW at E_{CMS} = 209 GeV)
- Hadron = composite particle, complicated substructure
 → hadron colliders are "discovery machines":
 - Easier to store and accelerate \rightarrow higher available energies
 - Hadron beam = "broadband" beam of partons
 → cover large energy range
- Approaches are complementary \rightarrow use both

Accelerator Roadmap I



- Tevatron (Fermilab, 1987-2011?): proton-antiproton collider
 → discovery of the top quark, very broad physics program
- LEP (CERN, 1989-2000): e⁺e⁻ collider
 → precision electroweak physics, very broad physics program
- HERA (DESY, 1990-2007): e[±]p collider
 → proton structure, QCD, electroweak physics, ...



Accelerator Roadmap II



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Present & future accelerators:

- Large Hadron Collider

 (CERN, from 2009): proton-proton
 collider → discoveries?
- Linear e⁺e⁻ collider (2020ies?): International Linear Collider (ILC) or Compact Linear Collider (CLIC)
 → precision measurements of new physics (see lecture by S. Riemann)
- What's next? Muon collider?
 New e[±]p machine (e.g. LHeC)?
 → a lot depends on what LHC discovers







Juro Mountains

CERN = European Laboratory for Partice Physics the world's largest particle physics laboratory, founded 1954 Historic name: "Conseil Européen pour la Recherche Nucléaire" 2500 employees, almost 10000 guest scientists from 85 nations

8.5 km

Accelerator complex (approx. 100 m underground)

Meyrin site (Switzerland)

Prévessin site

(France)

Lake Geneva















CMS Experiment: Multi Purpose Detector





ATLAS Experiment: Multi Purpose Detector







[atlas.ch]



LHC: Facts & Figures



- Design considerations:
 - Has to fit into LEP tunnel \rightarrow ring radius fixed
 - Highest possible dipole field: 8–9 Tesla \rightarrow 7 TeV beam energy
- Magnet system:
 - 1232 dipole magnets, more than 7000 correction magnets
 - Superconducting magnets cooled with superfluid helium at 1.9 K
 → largest connected cryogenic system in the world
- Beams are stored in 2808 bunches (10¹¹ protons each)
- Stored energy: 362 MJ (beam) + 600 MJ (magnets)

LHC in Pictures





LHC Tunnel View (July 2009)



Last Dipole Lowered in Tunnel (2007)

[atlas.ch]

LHC Dipole Magnets





LHC Dipole Magnets





Luminosity & Cross Section



- Collision rate: $R \equiv \frac{\mathrm{d}N}{\mathrm{d}t} = \mathscr{L}\sigma$
 - Cross section σ : nature (theory)
 - Instantaneous luminosity defined by beam parameters:

$$\mathscr{L} = f N \frac{n_1 n_2}{4\pi \varepsilon_x \varepsilon_y}$$

- f: revolution frequency
 N: number of bunches
 n_i: number of particles/bunch,
 4πε_xε_y: beam spot size
- LHC design peak luminosity: 10³⁴ cm⁻² s⁻¹ (cf. Tevatron today: 3.5×10³² cm⁻² s⁻¹)



Luminosity & Cross Section



- Number of events produced: $N = \int \mathscr{L} dt \sigma$
- Number of events observed: $N_{\rm obs} = \int \mathscr{L} dt \, \sigma \varepsilon$
 - Depends on detection efficiency ε
 - Many factors: detector, trigger, data analysis, ... \rightarrow tomorrow
- A word on units:
 - Cross section = area \rightarrow HEP units: 1 cm² or 1 barn = 10⁻²⁴ cm²
 - Instantaneous luminosity = rate per cross section $\rightarrow 1 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
 - Integrated luminosity = events per cross section
 → 1 inverse barn (e.g. Tevatron until now: 7 fb⁻¹)
 - Example: top production cross section σ_{tt} @ Tevatron = 7 pb
 → N_{tt} = 7 fb⁻¹ × 7 pb = 49,000 tops (per experiment)

A Lesson from the Past



How would the LHC startup look like?
 → Compare to Tevatron Run II integrated luminosity



LHC Startup: Current Plan



What happened in 2008:

- September 10: first beam
 → very successful startup
- September 19 incident
 → approx. 50 magnets damaged
- After 1 year of repairs, checks, and installation of better diagnostics
 - First beam expected middle of November
 - Beam energy limited to 3.5 TeV, increase to 5 TeV in 2010





The LHC repairs in detail





Chapter 3

How to Build a LHC Detector

Design Considerations I





- Search for physics beyond the standard model:
 - Short lifetimes: sensitivity to (all) decay products: charged leptons, neutrinos, photons, jets of hadrons, ...
 - Small cross sections for production of new particles: very large (1 GHz) event rates → fast readout, massive data volume, online preselection necessary

[after: J. M. Campbell, J. W. Huston, W. J. Stirling, Rep. Prog. Phys. **70** (2007) 89]

Design Considerations II



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The "Onion Shell" Principle







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Tracking Detectors

Calorimeters

Muon Detector



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Tracking Detectors

ATLAS Photo Gallery











CMS Gallery







ALICE

Calorimeters



Muon Detector

ALICE Facts & Figures
* Length: 26 m, height: 16 m
* Weight: 10,000 tons
* 18 million readout channels

Tracking Detectors



Chapter 4

Measuring Momentum & Energy

Photons

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Photo Effect

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A.H. Compton

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Photoelectric effect

(low energies): photon kicks electron out of atomic shell, photon gets absorbed

- Compton effect (medium energies): photon kicks electron out of atomic shell, changes wavelength
- Electron-positron pair production (high energies, > 10 MeV): photon converts into e⁺e⁻ in Coulomb field of nucleus

Effect



Charged Particles



[Particle Data Group]

Semi-classical model ("Bethe-Bloch Formula")





H. Bethe

F. Bloch

- Charged particles lose energy via electromagnetic interactions with atoms: ionization
- Energy loss per unit length: -dE/dx
- dE/dx different for different particle types
 → particle ID



$$-\frac{\mathrm{d}E}{\mathrm{d}x} = Kz^2 \frac{Z}{A} \frac{1}{\beta^2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 T_{\mathrm{max}}}{I^2} - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta(\beta\gamma)}{2} \right]$$

Electrons



0.20

 (cm^2g^{-1}) 51.0

0.10

0.05

- $\frac{\mathrm{d}E}{\mathrm{d}x} = \frac{E}{X_0}$ $\mathrm{d}E$ Electron energy loss: Small mass:
 - $m_e = (1/200) m_{\mu} = (1/1800) m_p$
 - Most important mechanism: Bremsstrahlung (~1/m⁴) \rightarrow photon emission in Coulomb field of nucleus
 - Radiation length $X_0 =$ characteristic scale (length \times density) for electrons/photons:
 - Electron intensity down to 1/e
 - $X_0 = 7/9$ of mean free path for e⁺e⁻ pair production from photons
 - X₀/ρ: water 36 cm, lead 0.56 cm



 $\frac{1}{E} \frac{dE}{dx} \left(X_0^{-1} \right)$

0.5

Electrons

Møller (e⁻)

Bhabha (e^+)

Positrons

Ionization

Lead (Z = 82)

Bremsstrahlung

Doped Semiconductors



- Today's tracking detectors: based on semiconductors
- Typical semiconductors (e.g. silicon):
 - Crystal lattice with 4 valence electrons
 - Two kinds of charge carriers:
 - Negative free electrons
 - Positive electrons jump between free lattice positions ("holes")
- Modify properties by doping:
 - Add atoms with 5 valence electrons (P, As, Sb): "n-doped"
 - Add atoms with 3 valence electrons (B, Al, Ga, In): "p-doped"

N-Type Donor impurity contributes ree electrons Sb Si Antimony added as impurity P-Type Acceptor impurity creates a Si hole Si Si В Si Boron added as

[hyperphysics.phy-astr.gsu.edu]

impurity

pn Junction & Depletion





Depletion zone after recombination: ions



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- Transition between p-doped and n-doped silicon
 - Charge carriers diffuse to other side and recombine
 - Formation of non-conducting zone ("depletion zone")
- Apply (reverse) bias voltage
 - Remove charge carriers
 → enlarge depletion zone
 - Charged particles ionize depletion zone → electrical signal



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Momentum Measurement





Charged Particle Tracking



- Multi-layer detector
- Electrical signals in each layer → hits
- Track fit:
 - Pattern recognition: assign hits to track
 - Fit helix to hits
- Vertex fit: Do tracks come from common origin ("vertex")?





Simulated decay of a supersymmetric particle (side view)



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Example: CMS Tracker



- All-silicon tracker: more than 200 m² sensitive area, more than 60 million channels
- Inner layers: pixel detectors
 → 15-30 µm (3D) hit resolution
- Outer layers: strip detectors
 → 8-64 µm (2D) hit resolution



CMS Tracker Inner Barrel

Calorimeters



- Historical name: calorimeter = "heat-meter"
- Particle physics: calorimeter = "energy-meter"
- Basic idea: measure energy of a particle via its absorption in heavy material



Particle Showers

- Interaction with matter in calorimeter: shower of new particles
- Distinguish different interactions
 - Electromagnetic calorimeter
 - hadronic calorimeter
- Total length of all tracks in the shower proportional to energy of primary particle
- Particle ID via shower shape





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 - Crystals, e.g. CsI(Tl), PbWO₄
 - Liquid noble gases, e.g. argon
- Sampling calorimeters:
 - Metal-scintillator: lead, iron, uranium + plastic scintillator
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Segment of

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$$\frac{\sigma(E)}{E} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{E}} + b + \frac{c}{E}$$

Fluctuations

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ATLAS LAr Calorimeter



• Liquid argon (LAr) calorimeter

- Particle ionizes ultra-pure LAr (operating at 80 K, liquid N₂)
- Ions drift to electrodes (voltage: 2000 V)
 → electrical signal
- ATLAS electromagnetic calorimeter
 - Absorber material: lead plates
 - "Accordion" structure: fast readout, no gaps in coverage





Chapter 5

From Raw Data to Physics Results

Frontend Electronics



Detector output = small analog signals
 → first processing close to detector (at "frontend")

Example 1: ASD = amplifier-shaper-discriminator



Example 2: ADC = analog-to-digital converter

Digitization →

 Data transmission: optical fibers (very little attenuation, not influenced by electromagnetic interference)

Online Data Processing

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 1 billion collisions/second
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 - Fast pre-selection of simple signals (custom electronics)
 - Process pre-selected events on computer farm (more information)

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Grid Computing



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chargea particle tracks

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Calibration & Alignment

Calibration:

- Detector response may very from channel to channel and in time
- Goal: uniform response

Alignment:

- Physics requires resolutions of 10-50 µm
 → precise knowledge of detector position
- Coarse alignment: survey
- Fine alignment: data charged particle tracks






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Reconstruction/Analysis: as for real data

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 Standard Model tt

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Summary of Day 1



- LHC accelerator
 - Proton-proton collider at CERN starting in 2009
 - Design center of mass energy: 14 TeV
 - Search for: Higgs boson, physics beyond standard model, ...
- Detectors at the LHC
 - Two multi-purpose detectors: ATLAS, CMS
 - Multi-purpose detectors: measure momentum, energy, ID, etc. of as many particles as possible → onion shell
 - Two smaller more specialized detectors: LHCb, ALICE
 - Long way from raw data to physics results



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Chapter 6

Basics of Hadron Collider Physics



 Theoretical picture of hadron-hadron collisions (see lecture by S. Moch):



$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma}{\mathrm{d}X} = \sum_{j,k} \int \mathrm{d}\hat{X} f_j(x_1, Q_i^2) f_k(x_2, Q_i^2) \frac{\mathrm{d}\hat{\sigma}_{fi}(Q_i^2, Q_f^2)}{\mathrm{d}\hat{X}} F(\hat{X} \to X; Q_i^2, Q_f^2)$$



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Experimentalists' View





- Hadronic collisions are messy:
 - Hard scattering of partons
 - Initial and final state radiation
 - Underlying event
 - Pileup of simultaneous collisions

Known unknowns:

- Which partons made hard scattering, what are their momenta?
- What about the other partons?
- Which jet ↔ which parton?

Hadron Collider Kinematics



- Some basic definitions for typical kinematic quantities at hadron colliders
- Onion shell structure \rightarrow cylindrical coordinate system
 - Polar angle θ : angle with z axis (beam axis)
 - Azimuthal angle ϕ : angle with x axis (towards ring center)



Pseudorapidity n

- Use pseudorapidity instead of polar angle θ $\eta = -\ln \tan(\theta/2)$
- Why pseudorapidity?
 - Good approximation of rapidity y (used in theoretical calculations)

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z} \right)$$

for momentum >> mass

 Depends only on θ, not on mass of particle





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Distance ΔR



 Separation of two objects in the detector
 → distance in η-φ space

$$\Delta R = \sqrt{(\Delta \eta)^2 + (\Delta \phi)^2}$$

- Typical application: "cone algorithms" for jet reconstruction
 - Jet = all particles in a "cone" with radius ΔR
 - Radii: ΔR = 0.4, 0.7, 1.0



Transverse Quantities



Hadron collider kinematics:

- Collisions of partons carrying unknown fractions x_i of hadron momentum (to good approximation: all partons collinear with beam)
- Rest frame of parton-parton collision unknown → center of mass energy unknown
- Any quantity transverse to beam is Lorentz-invariant, e.g. transverse momentum

$$p_T = \sqrt{p_x^2 + p_y^2} = p\sin\theta$$



$$\hat{E}_{\rm CMS}^2 = x_1 x_2 E_{\rm CMS}^2$$



Particle Reconstruction

- Onion shell revisited:
 - Photons: cluster in electromagnetic calorimeter, no track
 - Electrons: track matched to cluster in electromagnetic calorimeter
 - Muons: track matched to signal in muon detector



- Neutrinos: detected indirectly via "missing transverse energy"
- Jets of hadrons: tracks matched to clusters in electromagnetic and hadronic calorimeter



Neutrinos et al.



- Weakly interacting neutral particles (neutrinos, neutralinos, ...)
 - Very important part of many decays (top, SUSY, ...)
 - Escape detector undetected
- Indirect detection using conservation of transverse momentum:



Assuming that all parton momenta are parallel to the beam:

$$\sum \vec{p}_T = 0$$

• Large imbalance if high-energy neutral particle carries away p_T

Missing Transverse Energy

 Missing transverse energy ("missing E_T", "MET"): imbalance in sum of all calorimeter energy, weighted with polar angle

$$\vec{E}_T = -\sum_{\text{calo cells}} E_i \sin \theta_i \begin{pmatrix} \cos \phi_i \\ \sin \phi_i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Experimentally difficult: many sources of "fake" MET
 - Muons only deposit little energy in calorimeter
 - Other particles may escape through cracks, dead modules, ...



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Jet Reconstruction



- No free quarks/gluons: partons hadronize to a (more or less collimated) spray of particles → "jet"
- A jet is not a uniquely defined concept, depends on jet reconstruction algorithm, two classes:
 - "Cone" algorithms: group all particles in a cone:

$$\Delta_{ij} = \sqrt{(y_i - y_j)^2 + (\phi_i - \phi_j)^2} < R$$

• "Sequential recombination" algorithms: group particles according to distance times some power 2p of their transverse momentum k_T , stop if d_{iB} is the shortest distance

$$d_{ij} = \min(k_{T,i}^{2p}, k_{T,j}^{2p}) \frac{\Delta_{ij}^2}{R^2}, \quad d_{iB} = k_{T,i}^{2p}$$

Jet Reconstruction



Two algorithms on the same (simulated) event:



[M. Cacciari, G. P. Salam, G. Soyez, JHEP 04 (2008) 063]

Jet Energy Scale





- Measure jet energy, but want parton energy (before hadronization)
- Complicated correction procedure: calibration of jet energy scale ("JES")
 - Different calorimeter response to: different particle types, different energies, noise, ...
 - Additional energy: underlying event, simultaneous interactions
 - Particles not grouped into jet ("out of cone")

B-Tagging



- Interesting particles decay into final states w/ b quarks
 - E.g. $H \rightarrow bb, t \rightarrow Wb$
 - Need powerful tools for "b-tagging"
- B-tagging approaches:
 - B hadrons are massive and "long-lived" (c⊤ of B[±]: 491 µm)
 → displaced secondary vertex
 - Semileptonic decays B → lvX
 → jets with soft leptons
- Key: silicon vertex detectors



Putting it all together



 Example: top pair decay ("lepton + jets") at CDF



- Lepton (here: μ)
- Neutrino (MET)
- Quarks (4 jets, 2 b-tagged)





Chapter 7

First Physics at the LHC

First LHC Data



- Reminder: production cross sections at E_{CMS} = 7–14 TeV
 - Total inelastic: σ_{tot} ≈ 100 mb
 → drives total event rate
 - W bosons: σ_W = 100–150 nb
 - Z bosons: σ_z = 30–60 nb
 - Top: σ_t = 150-900 pb
- Assuming 100 pb⁻¹ in the first year → rediscover the SM!
 - Lots of QCD
 - 10⁷ W 3×10⁶ Z 15,000 top (produced, not reconstructed!)

W. J. Stirling, Rep. Prog. Phys. **70** (2007) 89 DESY Summer Student Lectures 2009: U. Husemann, The LHC Experiments 78



[after: J. M. Campbell, J. W. Huston,



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[after M. Leyton, Rencontres de Moriond QCD 2009]

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"Minimum bias" = non-single diffractive: $\sigma_{MB} = \sigma_{DD} + \sigma_{ND}$

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Example: Pseudorapidity Density of Charged Particles





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"Standard Candles": W, Z

- The old motto in physics: "Yesterday's signal is today's background is tomorrow's calibration source"
- Prime calibration source at the LHC: W and Z bosons
 - Discovered at SppS (CERN) in 1982/1983
 - Properties (mass, cross section, etc.) known very precisely from LEP, SLC, Tevatron
 - Easy to select & trigger on





Electron direction

GeV

Ev, normal to electron

a EVENTS WITHOUT JETS

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20

Ev,parallel to electron

GeV

-20

-40

Z Event at UA1 [CERN]



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W Selection



- Reconstruction of $W \rightarrow lv$:
 - Trigger & selection: single isolated high-p_T lepton (e.g. p_T > 20 GeV)
 - Typical observables: p_T of lepton, MET, "transverse mass" $m_T^2 = 2p_T^\ell \cdot p_T^\nu \left(1 - \cos(\Delta \phi^{\ell \nu})\right)$
 - "Jacobian edge" e.g. in MET: sharp edge at 1/2× W mass
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Tevatron Run II: excellent understanding of W and Z (after 8 years of data taking...)

Z Selection



- Reconstruction of $Z \rightarrow l^+l^-$:
 - Trigger: 1−2 isolated high-p_T leptons (e.g. p_T > 20 GeV)
 - Selection: lepton pair with opposite charge sign, invariant mass in window around m_z ≈ 91 GeV

$$m_{\ell^+\ell^-}^2 = (E^{\ell^+} + E^{\ell^-})^2 - (\vec{p}^{\ell^+} + \vec{p}^{\ell^-})^2$$

- $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$ used e.g. for
 - Electron energy scale
 - Trigger efficiency
 - Cross section \rightarrow luminosity



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The Top Quark



The Discovery of the Top Quark

Finding the sixth quark involved the world's most energetic collisions and a cast of thousands

by Tony M. Liss and Paul L. Tipton

- Top quark discovery
 1995 at the Tevatron
- The top is special:
 - Heavy: m_t = 173 GeV (cf. gold atom)
 - The only "free quark": decays before hadronization
- Tevatron: about 100k
 tops produced to date
- LHC = "top quark factory" → millions!

COLLISION between a proton and

an antiproton (*center*) creates a top quark (*red*) and an antitop (*blue*). These decay to other particles, typically producing a number of jets

and possibly an electron or positron.

[Scientific American, September 1997]

Top Decays



	$W^- \rightarrow$	hadrons	т	μe
hadrons	Al (S	l Hadronic /B ≈ 0.04)	Lepton+ т	Lepton + Jets (S/B ≈ 1)
F	Lepton+ τ			
ы Г	Le	pton + Jets (S/B ≈ 1)		Dilepton (S/B ≈ 3)

- SM top decay:
 t → Wb (BR ≈ 100%)
- tt decay characterized by W decays:
 - All-Hadronic: large QCD background
 - Lepton+Jets: "goldplated" channel
 - Dilepton: very clean, but small branching fraction
- Main background process: "W+jets"

Top as a "Standard Candle" (



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- Top moves from signal to calibration source, too!
 - Produced copiously @ LHC
 - Key background for new physics
 - Final states contain "everything": leptons, MET, many jets (always two from b quarks)
- Use top to calibrate e.g.
 - (B-)jet energy scale
 - B-tagging algorithms





Chapter 8

How to Measure a Cross Section



- Simplest approach to measuring cross sections: "counting experiment" (also: "cut & count method")
- Master formula:

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \frac{N^{\text{obs}} - N^{\text{bkg}}}{\int \mathscr{L} \, \mathrm{d}t \cdot \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}$$



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Luminosity



- Accelerator "generates" luminosity (cf. yesterday's lecture)
- Experiments: measure luminosity with specialized detectors
 - Principle: measure rate of well-known process
 - Example ATLAS: LUCID = Cherenkov counters to measure rate of inelastic pp scattering at |η| ≈ 5.8 (accuracy: approx. 5%)

ATLAS LUCID Detectors



Trigger "prescale": take only every n-th triggered event
 → effective luminosity reduced by factor of n



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- Optimize e.g. on:
 - Signal-to-background ratio: $N^{\text{sig}}/N^{\text{bkg}}$
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Efficiency





- Efficiency measured in MC or control samples:
 - $\varepsilon = \frac{\text{Number of events used in analysis}}{\varepsilon}$
 - Number of events produced
- Composed of many factors:
 - Cut efficiency (data/MC)
 - Geometric acceptance (MC)
 - Trigger efficiency (from data)
 - Particle ID efficiency (data)
- Each factor could depend on event properties (η, φ, p_T, ...)

Background



- Physics background:
 - From data (control samples)
 & MC simulation
 - Which processes are indistinguishable from signal and pass signal selection?

- "Instrumental" background: from data
 - Misidentification, e.g. jet looks like ("fakes") electron
 - Noise in detectors, beam backgrounds, ...



Cross Section Summary







Chapter 9

Hunting for the Higgs

Motivation



Higgs boson: cornerstone of SM

- Electroweak symmetry breaking, masses of particles
- Common lore: "If there's a Higgs, the LHC will find it!"
- Higgs search is still hard work and will likely take many years
- What we know about the Higgs:
 - Everything (production channels, decay rates) ... but the mass
 - Indirect (weak) mass constraints from electroweak precision measurements: m_H < 157 GeV

"Blue Band Plot" 2009 = 157 GeV August 2009 6 Theory uncertain 5 0.02758±0.00035 0.02749+0.00012 incl. low Q² data 4 $\Delta \chi^2$ 3 2 1 **Excluded** Preliminary 1⁰0 300 m_н [GeV] [http://lepewwg.web.cern.ch/LEPEWWG/]





















Higgs Decays



- Higgs coupling proportional to mass of particle
- Preferred decay: heaviest particle kinematically allowed
 - m_H < 150 GeV: H → bb, тт
 - e m_H > 150 GeV: H → WW, ZZ
- But there is background...
 - QCD overwhelms H → bb: only in associated production, e.g. HZ → bbqq

• Very clean:
$$H \rightarrow ZZ^{(*)} \rightarrow 4 l$$

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$H \rightarrow ZZ^{(*)} \rightarrow 4l$





- m_H = 150 GeV:
 σ×BR = 10.6 fb
- Very clean signature:
 - Four isolated leptons
 - At least one lepton pair with Z invariant mass
- Main backgrounds:
 - ZZ diboson production
 - Z + bb with semileptonic b decays
 - tt w/ semileptonic b
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Higgs Discovery Potential



- Combine many channels to cover full Higgs mass range
- Convention: claim "discovery" if Gaussian probability for mistaking background for signal < 5.7×10^{-7} ("5 σ ")



Summary of Day 2



- Hadron collider physics: discovery physics in a messy environment
 - Observables: transverse quantities (p_T, MET, ...)
 - Need good understanding of leptons & jets (esp. from b quarks)
- LHC startup: first beam in November 2009
 - First physics at the LHC: minimum bias, W/Z, top
 - Go for discovery (Higgs, supersymmetry, extra dimesions)...
 - ... but be patient...

Thank you for your attention!

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Follow-up



- Equation of motion: $\vec{F} = \dot{\vec{p}} = e \vec{v} \times \vec{B}$
- Solution: characteristic "synchrotron frequency" $\omega = \frac{eB}{m}$
- Lorentz force = centripetal force: $evB = mR\omega^2 = m\left(\frac{eB}{m}\right)^2$

• For highly relativistic particles: $\beta \equiv \frac{v}{c}, \quad \gamma \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}}, \quad mc^2 \to \gamma mc^2 = E$ • Solve for energy: $E = \frac{ecBR}{\beta}$ • LHC numbers: $B = 8 \text{ T}, R = 4250 \text{ m} \to E = 10 \text{ TeV}$

Note: only about 2/3 of the ring equipped with dipoles

Back

Gaseous Detectors



- Charged particles cross detector with "counting gas": ionisation (requires 5× more energy than silicon)
- High voltage between anode and cathode: gas amplification ("Townsend avalanche")



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Counter Modes





- Ionization chamber: no gas amplification
- Proportional counter: signal proportional to primary ionization
- Geiger-Müller mode: count number of particles crossing
- Typical counting gas mixture:
 - Counting: argon
 - Quenching of avalanche: CO₂

ATLAS MDT Detector



- Muon momentum ATLAS:
 - 5500 m² of "monitored drift tubes" (MDT)
 - Strong toroidal magnetic field





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