Hunting for Terascale physics at the LHC

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Princeton University 2 December 2010 The LHC has been colliding protons for about a year now

The world's largest fundamental physics endeavour

Involving $O(10\,000)$ scientists and engineers From about 60 countries across the world At a cost of several billion US dollars

What brought us here? At what stage is the LHC today? And what are the prospects and challenges for the years ahead?

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Collider	Lab	Date	Collided		C.o.M. Energy
Tevatron	Fermilab/USA	1987 –	р <u></u> р	0	1960 GeV
SLC	SLAC/USA	1989 - 1998	e^+e^-	0	100 GeV
LEP	CERN/Europe	1989 - 2000	e^+e^-	0	209 GeV
HERA	DESY/Germany	1992 – 2007	$e^\pm p$	0	330 GeV

Protons are made of quarks, anti-quarks and gluons. It's the individual quarks and gluons that collide. Only a fraction of the proton's energy is actually available in a single *quark/gluon* collision.

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So what energy do you need?





Higgs/ABEHGHK'tH in an (oversimplified) slide

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Potential for scalar field is

 $V(\phi) = -\mu^2 \phi^2 + \lambda \phi^4$

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 $g_w^2 \phi^2 Z_\mu Z^\mu \to \underbrace{g_w^2 v^2}_{\mu} Z_\mu Z^\mu + \underbrace{2g_w^2 v}_{\mu} H Z_\mu Z^\mu$

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Mechanism generates particle masses And a "Higgs" boson

$\mathsf{Higgs}\;\mathsf{Mass}\leftrightarrow\mathsf{no-lose}\;\mathsf{proposition}$

The standard model does not predict the Higgs Mass

But strong arguments to say

- either it lies between 70 GeV and 800 GeV
- ▶ or there is new physics at O (1 TeV)



So ideally build a collider that can discover Higgs-boson up to 800 GeV and perform WW scattering up to $\simeq 1~{\rm TeV}$

Tevatron could have discovered Higgs at $m_H = 160$ GeV (it's not there!) So you want a collider at least 6 times more energetic



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To produce an object of mass M, the fundamental colliding objects — quarks and gluons — need to come within a distance $\sim 1/M$.

Cross sections (σ), i.e. likelihood of an interesting interaction, scale as follows

$$\sigma \sim \text{coupling constants} imes \frac{1}{M^2}$$

 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Probing masses} \sim 7 \mbox{ times higher than at Tevatron} \\ \rightarrow \mbox{cross sections 49 times smaller} \end{array}$

To fully exploit higher energies, LHC needs about 50 times more *pp* collisions, "luminosity", than Tevatron.

Tevatron: $10^{15} p\bar{p}$ collisions \rightarrow LHC: $5 \cdot 10^{16} pp$ collisions

An over-simplification; but the numbers \sim final design

Summary: relative to Tevatron, LHC should provide

7 times more energy

50 times more collisions

The LHC and its Experiments



- ~16.5 mi circumference, ~300 feet underground
- 1232 superconducting twin-bore Dipoles (49 ft, 35 t each)
- Dipole Field Strength 8.4 T (13 kA current), Operating Temperature 1.9K
- Beam intensity 0.5 A (2.2 10⁻⁶ loss causes quench), 362 MJ stored energy



Interconnection between two "dipoles" (bending magnets) in the LHC tunnel.



Cyrogenics plant: 96 000 kg of Helium circulate through the machine at 1.9K

The detectors:

To accumulate 5×10^{16} collisions over a few years, they have to be able to handle a pp collision rate of 10^9 Hz [25 collisions every 25 ns]

Typically, about 100 000 000 channels to read out. [must be examined 40 000 000 times/s, interesting events written to tape 200-400 times/s]

ATLAS: general purpose



ALICE: heavy-ion physics

CMS: general purpose



LHCb: B-physics





+ TOTEM, LHCf






1995: LHC approved 2000: LEP closed

2008/09: LHC beams circulated 2008/09: severe "incident"

poor electrical connection, arc, catastrophic Helium release, much damage

Followed by reviews, the fixes that could be made in \sim 1 year

2009/11: LHC starts up again, 900 GeV pp collisions 2009/12: 2360 GeV pp collisions 2010/03: 7000 GeV pp collisions

"reduced-energy" target for safe operation

2010/11: 2760 GeV PbPb collisions





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collision rate since start of 7 TeV operations



[LHC]

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What have the experiments seen?

Rediscovering the standard model



candidate $W \rightarrow e\nu$ event

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candidate $t\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b}q\bar{q}e\nu$ (with pileup)

Quarks, gluons and the LHC

LHC collides quarks and gluons, and many of the new things that have been postulated decay to quarks or gluons

Experiments inevitably have to deal with quarks and gluons

Quarks & gluons? They quite don't exist



Start off with quark and anti-quark, qq

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Diverges for small gluon energies EDiverges for small angles θ



A quark never survives unchanged it always emits a gluon (usually low-energy, at small angles)

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Meanwhile the same happens on other side of event

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And then a non-perturbative transition occurs

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Jets made systematic: jet definitions



LHC events may be discussed in terms of quarks, quarks+gluon, or hadrons A jet definition provides common representation of different "levels" of event complexity. A significant community of QCD theorists has spent the past ten years making accurate calculations of signals and backgrounds at the LHC (with remarkable advances in field theory on the way)

 $\mathcal{O}\left(100
ight)$ people imes 10 years \simeq \$100 000 000

Problem 1: the jet definitions used by LHC experiments were not compatible with these calculations — they "leaked" infinities:

$$\sigma = c_1 \alpha_{\mathsf{s}} + c_2 \alpha_{\mathsf{s}}^2 + \mathbf{\infty} \alpha_{\mathsf{s}}^3 + \cdots$$

 $\alpha_{\rm s}$ is perturbative expansion

parameter (strong coupling)

Problem 2: the jet definitions advocated by theorists since 1990's had been mostly shunned by proton-collider experiments

a) bad response to experimental noise

b) severe computational issues (1 minute/event $\times 10^{10}$ recorded events)

Discovered a link between QCD jet-finding and problems of 2D computational geometry

Cacciari & GPS '05

Many techniques could be carried over from comp. geom field

Developed a theory of the interplay between jet-finding, QCD radiation and experimental noise

Cacciari, GPS & Soyez '08

A crucial element was linearity of response

Proposed a new jet-definition based on what we'd learnt anti-kt Cassieri CPS & Sever '0

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How anti-k_t works:

▶ Define pairwise *i−j* distances

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in critical region of $N\sim 2000-4000$

1000 times faster than previous attempts with similar jet algorithms

Experimental sensitivity to noise



As good as, or better than all previous experimentallyfavoured algorithms
Coefficient of "infinity"



Safe for perturbative QCD predictions:

No "leakage" of infinities to higher orders

ATLAS & CMS use anti- k_t for all their jet-finding

[Jets]



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Among the few LHC searches so far, jets have probed the highest scales, \sim 2 TeV, about twice as high as Tevatron.

The quest for the Higgs

Using jets better, in order to make discoveries possible

Test of the SM at the Level of Quantum Fluctuations





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If it is, crucial test of whether it **is** the Higgs, will come from measuring several different decays

> Remember: Higgs couplings intimately related to origin of particle masses

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Try a long shot?

- Go to high p_t (p_{tH} , p_{tW} > 200 GeV)
- Lose 95% of signal, but more efficient?
- Maybe kill tt & gain clarity?

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Herwig 6.510 + Jimmy 4.31 + FastJet 2.3



Cluster event, C/A, R=1.2

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Fill it in, \rightarrow show jets more clearly

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How well-designed jet-finding helps you

Search for main decay of light Higgs boson, W/Z+H, H \rightarrow bb (The only way of seeing this decay — other than the next slide)



using the method from Butterworth, Davison, Rubin & GPS '08 Princeton CMS group working on improving this yet further

How well-designed jet-finding helps you

Recovering the ttH, $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ Higgs channel



Plehn, GPS & Spannowsky '09 Boosted top tagging in Princeton: Thaler & Wang '08

How well-designed jet-finding helps you

Dijet mass reconstruction for new heavy resonance $X \rightarrow gg$



Cacciari, Rojo, GPS & Soyez '08 Also Princeton contributions: Krohn, Thaler & Wang '09

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Establishing the rules for systematically making better discoveries with jets is work in progress

But the evidence for its potential is clearly there

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$m_{\eta}/(100 {\rm GeV})~{\rm dN/dbin}$ per ${\rm fb}^{-1}$

PRINCETON CENTER FOR THEORETICAL SCIENCE

The Boost 2011 conference will be held in May (5/23/11 - 5/27/11) at Princeton University, hosted by the <u>Princeton Center for Theoretical Science</u>. As with prior conferences in the Boost series, the weeklong event will focus on bringing together theorists and experimentalists for in-depth discussions of jets, jet substructure, and jets in more exotic contexts (e.g. lepton jets).

This workshop is open to the public. Early registration is encouraged.

Previous Boost conferences: SLAC, U.W., Oxford





2011

Between 40 and 200 times more data $2 - 8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Maybe increasing energy from 7 TeV to 8 TeV

<u>2012</u>

Shutdown to complete modifications needed for safe operation at design energy

2013-

Running at 13 – 14 TeV

Accumulating several 100 fb^{-1} by 2016

Higgs visible by 2014?

Beyond

LHC luminosity upgrades: factor 5-10

Linear collider (to study whatever is discovered at LHC), or even higher-energy LHC

EXTRAS

Autumn 2010 Reprocessing



17 Nov 2010

Pippa Wells, ATLAS

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Top production cross section

Combining all channels, $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 145 \pm 31^{+42}_{-27} \text{ pb}$ Significance of ~4.8 ow.r.t. background only hypothesis.



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And not so standard events





