Particle Physics at the Energy Frontier

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What we know (we think)

- 3 families of spin $\frac{1}{2}$ quarks & leptons make up matter
- 3 types of interactions with spin 1 force carriers
  - Electromagnetism (QED) carried by massless photons; felt by charged particles
  - Massive (80-90 GeV) W and Z mediate weak force; felt by quarks & leptons
  - Strong force (QCD) carried by massless gluons; felt by quarks
Electroweak theory

- Can combine electromagnetism and weak forces into electroweak theory
- Precision measurements generally find very good agreement between data and theory
How to get electroweak theory

- At low energy we see E&M and weak forces
- These are unified at high energy (>1 TeV)
- The weak force contains massive force vector bosons (\(W^+, W^-, Z^0\)) but adding mass terms for W & Z to the theory does not work
- Use spontaneous symmetry breaking – the Higgs mechanism
- The Higgs mechanism solves two problems:
  - Mechanism to give W and Z bosons a mass in such a way as to avoid unitarity violation of WW (or ZZ) cross section at high energy
  - Also gives mass to quarks and charged leptons
Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking (SSB)

Solutions which do not respect a symmetry of the Lagrangian

Example 1: Ferromagnetism

- Above $T_C$ spins are disordered – rotational symmetry
- Below $T_C$ spins align creating spontaneous magnetization along a preferred direction – breaking rotational symmetry

Example 2: A stick?

- An ideal stick has a force compressing its length
- Below a critical force the ideal stick remains intact with cylindrical symmetry
- Above a critical force the stick bows in a particular direction violating the cylindrical symmetry
The Higgs Mechanism

- Complex vacuum scalar field $\Phi$ with potential $V(\Phi) = \mu^2|\Phi|^2 + \lambda|\Phi|^4$
- For $\mu^2<0$, minimum at non-zero energy gives vacuum expectation value (v.e.v.): $|\Phi|^2 = -\mu^2/2\lambda$
- This spontaneous symmetry breaking separates electroweak into E&M and weak and gives W and Z mass
- Higgs field permeates vacuum and the coupling strength to the Higgs determines the elementary particle mass
- The Higgs field also contributes to the vacuum energy density
Higgs status

- Direct searches at 200 GeV $e^+e^-$ collider LEP ruled out a mass less than 114 GeV
- Higgs mass affects other aspects of theory
- Thus, experimental measurements can be combined with theory to constrain the Higgs mass
- Expect $M_H < 184$ GeV at 95% CL

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Grand Unified Theories (GUT)

- Standard Model does not really explain anything
- So we speculate about a high energy über theory unifying electroweak & strong forces
- Coupling strengths come together around $10^{15}$ GeV
- Also need to quantize gravity at $M_{\text{Planck}} = 10^{19}$ GeV
- GUT unifies matter and leads to proton decay
- Spontaneous symmetry breaking of the GUT gives the observed theories
The Hierarchy Problem

- Assume new physics at high mass \((M >> 100 \text{ GeV})\) which could be GUT and/or quantum gravity
- Particles couple to Higgs giving mass corrections proportional to \(M\) (could be \(M_{\text{GUT}} \sim 10^{15} \text{ GeV}\))
- To keep Higgs mass \(\sim 100 \text{ GeV}\) requires unnatural fine tuning (1 part in \(10^{13}\) for GUT)
- Need new physics at lower energy (< 1 TeV) to stop this
- Not just any new physics will do
- The prohibitive favorite is supersymmetry (SUSY)
Supersymmetry

- Every elementary particle has a supersymmetric partner: bosons $\rightarrow$ fermions & fermions $\rightarrow$ bosons
  - Cool names: squark, sbottom, slepton, selectron, stau, zino, gluino, photino, wino, bino, neutralino, higgsino
- At high energy, supersymmetry holds, so regular particles and their sparticles have the same mass
- Unknown spontaneous symmetry breaking splits the masses with sparticles having higher mass
- Solves hierarchy problem – contributions from particle loops canceled by sparticle loops
- MSSM = Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model
SUSY may be more GUT friendly

Adding contributions from supersymmetry, the coupling constants appear to unify at $10^{16}$ GeV
What’s the universe made of, anyway?

Galaxy rotation curves & cluster motion, cosmic microwave background, distant supernovae, big-bang nucleosynthesis, inflation, and simulations of structure formation give a consistent picture.
SUSY for Dark Matter?

A weakly interacting massive particle (WIMP) at a mass between 0.1-1 TeV has an annihilation cross section which causes freeze out to occur at the time necessary to give the amount of dark matter observed.
The Good

- Solves hierarchy problem – stable Higgs mass
- May provide cold dark matter candidate
- Provides better unification of coupling constants
- May be quantum gravity theory friendly

The Bad

- Source of symmetry breaking (SSB) unknown
- Generic SSB model has > 100 free parameters

The Copout?

mSugra = MSSM Supergravity assumes SSB is gravity mediated around GUT scale which reduces the free parameters to 5
How do we find all this stuff?

- Need a high energy accelerator to produce the interesting particles
- Need detectors to record what happens when the particles decay
- Need to separate the interesting stuff from the background
Energy frontier colliders

High enough energy to produce the particles of interest
LHC at CERN
LHC Collisions

7 TeV Proton-Proton colliding beams

Bunch Crossing $4 \times 10^7$ Hz

Proton Collisions $10^{9}$ Hz

Parton Collisions

New Particle Production $10^{-5}$ Hz (Higgs, SUSY, ....)

Selection of 1 event in $10,000,000,000,000$
LHC Statistics

- 27 km circumference
- Up to 100 m underground
- Two 0.5 A proton beams at 7 TeV
- Stored energy in each beam is 350 MJ
- 8.3 tesla magnets steer beam
- Beams are bunched; bunch spacing is 25 ns
- 20 minimum bias events per beam crossing
- Thousands of particles produced per beam crossing
LHC Detectors to record the events

[Diagram of LHC detectors]

Detector characteristics
- **ATLAS**
  - Width: 44m
  - Diameter: 22m
  - Weight: 7000t

Detector characteristics
- **CMS**
  - Width: 22m
  - Diameter: 15m
  - Weight: 11500t

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Reconstructing an event

- Need handles to separate signal from background
- Start by identifying and measuring (p or E) particles
  - Photons (\(\gamma\)) in ECAL
  - Electrons in tracker and ECAL
  - Muons make it to muon system
  - Jets in tracker, ECAL, and HCAL
  - Neutrinos, black holes, a stable lightest supersymmetric particle (LSP), and possibly other particles leave no trace, resulting in missing Et
Tracking

- Charged particles ionize atoms
- Electrons (and/or holes) drift due to applied electric field and are collected in a segmented detector
- Using many layers and an applied magnetic field, charged particles are tracked and their momentum is measured
- Vertices can be formed from tracks to discriminate against boring interactions or identify $b/\tau$ jets
CMS Tracker

- All silicon tracker: 3 layers of 100x150 µm² pixels plus ~10 layers of silicon strips with ~100 µm pitch
- Entire system at -10°C which improves radiation tolerance by a factor of 100 compared to 25°C
- Double sided strip detectors have a stereo view
CMS Pixels

- Barrel and forward pixel systems
- Individual construction and insertion
- 48 million barrel pixels in 3 rings
- 18 million forward pixels in 2+2 disks

~50 cm

~1 m
CMS Barrel Pixels

- Modules are constructed from sensors bump bonded to readout chip with power and data transfer via high density interconnects
- Cooling, power, and readout are fanned out at ends
Forward pixel construction

Plaquette (700)

Sensors

Detector Unit (700)

Bump bonded

ROC (4,500)

VHDI (700)

Panels (200)

Blade (100)

Cooling channels (100)

½-Disk (8)

1/2-Disk (8)

HDI (4 types)

TBM

P-3

P-4
CMS Forward Pixels

2 of the 12 blades are populated in this prototype half disk

Panels mount on aluminum support and cooling channels

Half disks mounted in carbon fiber service cylinder which contains electronics and provides pathway for data, power, and cooling
CMS Silicon Strip Detectors

2300 square feet of silicon detectors
Silicon detectors past and present

CMS: 4 tons and 75 million channels

CDF: <1 million channels
CMS Solenoid

- 4 T magnet at 4 K
- 6 m diameter and 12.5 m long (largest ever built)
- 220 t (including 6 t of NbTi)
- Stores 2.7 GJ — equivalent to 1300 lbs of TNT
- If magnet gets above superconducting temperature, energy is released as heat — need to plan for the worst
- Bends charged particles allowing tracker to measure momentum
Calorimetry

- Particles shower in calorimeter creating other particles which shower and so on until no more energy is left.
- The created charged particles release energy which can be collected and is proportional to the original particle energy.

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\sigma(E) = \frac{S}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus \frac{N}{E} \oplus C
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Resolution:

- Passive heavy material
- Active material (scintillator)
- Sampling or Homogenous Calorimeters
- Scintillator
- Constant term: calibration, temperature dependence, ...
- Noise term
- Sampling + Stochastic term (shower fluctuation + statistics)
CMS ECAL

- Photons and electrons shower in high Z material
- Homogenous calorimeter
- Lead tungstate (PbWO$_4$) crystals: $2.3 \times 2.3 \times 23$ cm$^3$
- Radiation hard, dense, and fast
- Low light yield & temperature sensitivity make it difficult
- Magnetic field and radiation require novel electronics APD and VPT
CMS HCAL

- Sampling calorimeter
- Brass absorber from Russian artillery shells (non-magnetic)
- Scintillating tiles with wavelength shifting (WLS) fiber
- WLS fiber is fed into a hybrid photodiode (HPD) for light yield measurement
Muon systems

- Muons interact less than other charged particles
- Place detectors after material and what comes through is a muon
- Add B field & tracking to find momentum and link with main tracker
- 12000 t of iron is absorber and solenoid flux return
- Three tracking technologies: Drift Tube, Resistive Plate Chamber, & Cathode Strip Chamber
Picking signal out of background

- Higgs cross section is $10^{-11}$ of the total cross section
- 99.9% of events are light QCD background: low energy hadrons
  - Reject by requiring high energy or leptons
- $b\bar{b}$ events are another large background but also come from interesting events
- $W$, $Z$, and top are backgrounds and signatures for good events
The problem

- Beam crossings generate 1 MB of data from the experiment and occur at 40 MHz = 40 Terabytes/s
- Restricted to 100 Hz of events = 100 MB/s = 10 TB/day = 1 Petabyte per year
- Need to reject 99.9998% of events in quasi real time

The solution

- Hardware trigger finds jets, electrons, muons, and missing $E_T$ and rejects 99.8% of events in 3 $\mu$s
- Surviving 100 GB/s of events fed into ~1000 CPU farm where events are reconstructed and 0.1% kept
SM Higgs Decay Modes

Decay rate depends on (unknown) mass

Inclusive $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ not possible due to QCD background

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Excluded by LEP
Higgs to 2 photons ($H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$)

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ with $M_H=120$ GeV as observed in the CMS detector.

Excellent calorimeter provides 1 GeV mass resolution which allows a peak to be seen.
Higgs reach to 1 TeV by 2010

Could get 1 fb$^{-1}$ in 1$^{st}$ physics run (2008)

Should get to 20 fb$^{-1}$ by 2010
Searching for SUSY

- Even the 5 parameters of mSUGRA allow a huge range of variability (masses, branching rates, etc.)
- Expect to discover SUSY by finding an excess of some types of events like missing $E_T$ or isolated leptons
- Determining exactly what kind of SUSY we have is the difficult part

Could find SUSY by 2008 with this kind of signature

Events/(2 GeV/c^2)

$M(\ell^+\ell^-)$ (GeV/c^2)

$E_{miss}^T > 100$ GeV/c
$P_{T}^{\text{hadron}} > 15$ GeV

tgβ = 2, $A_0 = 0$, $\mu < 0$
$m_0 = 200$ GeV
$m_{1/2} = 160$ GeV

CMS
$L_{int} = 1$ fb$^{-1}$
Near future of CMS

- Nearly everything is already in the cavern
- Integration and cabling is ongoing – very tricky
- Heavy lifting of muon endcaps completed by 12/21/07
- Tracker is installed by 12/21/07
- Cabling connections through January
- Installation and bakeout of beam pipe in January/February
- Pixel detectors inserted beginning of March
- Endcaps close up at the end of March
Near future timeline

- Detectors close up April, 2008
- LHC commissioning starts in May, 2008
- 14 TeV pp collisions to start July, 2008 and run until December
  - Could find SUSY
  - Could find high mass Z’
  - Can do lots of bread and butter physics: production, b-physics, …
- 2009—2010: Medium luminosity with real chance to find Higgs and SUSY
Timeline of possible discoveries

- First physics run: $O(1\,\text{fb}^{-1})$
- SHUTDOWN
- 200 fb\(^{-1}\)/yr
- $Z'$@6TeV
- SUSY@3TeV
- Compositeness@40TeV
- ADD X-dim@9TeV
- H(120GeV)$\rightarrow$gg
- SUSY@1TeV
- Higgs@200GeV
- H(120GeV)
Summary

- We should find out what is responsible for electroweak symmetry breaking (Higgs?) which is the final piece of the Standard Model.
- We will look for something around 1 TeV to take care of one hierarchy problem (SUSY?) which might also be the elusive dark matter.
- Opening a new energy frontier can also bring lots of surprises, perhaps gravity related.
- A year or two might see some of the answers coming out.