Phenomenology of Higgs Bosons

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outline :

- How to find Higgs Bosons ?
- Higgsstrahlung
- Higgs + high- p_T Jet in the SM (MSSM)
- HiggsBounds

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- Why Higgs Bosons ?

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One major task in high energy particle physics is: to unravel the nature of electroweak symmetry breaking. - Why Higgs Bosons ?

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SSB can be realised by

- weakly interacting scalar gauge multiplets that acquire a VEV
 → Higgs mechanism
- strongly interacting dynamics,
- e.g. particles that form scalar condensates with a VEV

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measurement of $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-)$ at LEP 2:



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 $\sigma(W_L W_L \rightarrow W_L W_L)$ at tree-level



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- Restrictions on Higgs Sectors
- Experimental situation so far:
 - no Higgs signal.
 - no significant deviation from SM.

Theory:

- many distinct possibilities to realise the Higgs mechanism which meet major constraints, like
 - the electroweak rho-parameter $ho_{\exp.} = \frac{m_W}{\cos\theta_W m_Z} \approx 1$ up to a few per mille
 - absence of flavour changing neutral currents (FCNC).
 - upper bounds on Higgs signal cross sections from negative direct search results (LEP, Tevatron)

 \longrightarrow take extensions of the SM (Higgs sector) seriously

- Higgs Production important SM Higgs production processes @ the LHC : \rightarrow consider:

a) Higgs couplings \propto mass. b) Ordinary matter is very light. c) Huge # of gluon collisions.



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Higgs Production



– Higgs Detection

essential for Higgs discovery is:

[production rate] \times [decay branching ratio] \times [detection efficiency]

note!

Higgs events need to be silhouetted against *huge* amount of non-Higgs events





Predictions: charged Higgs cross sections @ LHC:





[Higgsstrahlung,]





- most precisely known Higgs production process at hadron colliders
- results regularly used by Tevatron collaborations
- recently, we provided updated predictions for cross sections and uncertainties for the ATLAS collaboration
 - \rightarrow ongoing effort within the LHC Higgs Cross Section Working Group

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– Motivation

Finding a 100 – 140 GeV SM Higgs is challenging.

The main discovery channel is $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ (rare decay) via gluon fusion.



Higgs + Jet

suggestion: study Higgs events with a high- p_T hadronic jet

LO QCD $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^3 \alpha)$: [van der Bij et al. '87; Baur, Glover '89]

NLO QCD $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^4 \alpha)$: [de Florian, Grazzini, Kunszt '99]

+ NLL soft gluon threshold resummation: [de Florian, Kulesza, Vogelsang '05]

simulations show:

H + jet production is a promising alternative (supplement)to the inclusive SM Higgs production for $m_H \approx 100 - 140 \text{GeV}$.

inclusive $H,~H\to\gamma\gamma$

H+1 jet, $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$



[ATLAS expected performance 2008]

The Higgs + Jet cross section prediction:

Current theoretical accuracy:

NLO QCD accuracy (in large m_t approx.) $\propto 10\%$ (scale variation) [de Florian, Kulesza, Vogelsang '05]

- How to improve it? (\rightarrow other 10%-ish effects?)

- go beyond the large m_t approximation in the NLO QCD prediction for the Higgs p_T distribution
- NNLO QCD corrections (in the large m_t approximation)
- consider other LO effects:
 * QCD: beyond the large m_t approx.
 * QCD: effects of non-zero m_b
 MC event generators
 * QCD 5-flavour scheme: b quark parton process contributions
 - * non-QCD: electroweak LO contributions

- New LO Contributions in the SM
- Previous Study [Keung, Petriello '09]
- SM Higgs p_T distribution:
- 1. with finite quark mass effects (m_t, m_b) in one-loop QCD amplitude:

 \rightarrow already included in [..., OBr, Hollik '03; '07]

2. with electroweak one-loop effects

3. validity of the large m_t approximation

5-flavour PDFs used but b quark parton processes not considered.

- New LO Contributions in the SM
- This Study [OBr '10]
- SM Higgs p_T and η_{jet} distribution:
- 1. with finite quark mass effects (m_t, m_b) in one-loop QCD amplitude: \rightarrow already included in [..., OBr, Hollik '03; '07]
- 2. with electroweak one-loop effects

3. with contributions from *b*-quark parton processes
* leading QCD and electroweak effects

[Higgs + Jet, New SM LO Contributions] Gluon & Light Quark (u, d, s, c) QCD Contribution : $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^3 \alpha)$ gluon fusion, $gg \to Hg$





quark anti-quark annihilation, $q\bar{q} \to Hg$



Bottom Quark QCD Contribution : $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S \alpha)$ quark gluon scattering, $bg \to Hb$



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Light Quark (u, d, s, c) EW Contribution : $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S \alpha^3)$

[Mrenna, Yuan '96; Keung, Petriello '09]

quark gluon scattering, $qg \rightarrow Hq$





quark anti-quark annihilation, $q\bar{q} \rightarrow Hg$ crossed diagrams

[Mrenna, Yuan '96]

Bottom Quark EW Contribution : $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S \alpha^3)$ quark gluon scattering, $bg \to Hb$, $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S \alpha^2 \alpha_t)$







Bottom Quark EW Contribution : $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S \alpha^3)$ [Mrenna, Yuan '96] quark gluon scattering, $bg \to Hb$, $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S \alpha^3)$ "non α_t "







new calculational approach: respect the hierarchy of Yukawa couplings $(\alpha_t = 3.9 \cdot 10^{-2}, \alpha_b = 2.3 \cdot 10^{-6})$ example: contributions to bottom gluon scattering $(m_H = 120 \text{ GeV})$

[contribution to $\sigma_{bg \to Hb}$]/ $\sigma_{bg \to Hb}$ [%] 100 $\alpha_b |D|^2 \alpha_S$ $\alpha_t |B|^2 \alpha_S^3$ 90 $\alpha_t |E|^2 \alpha_S \alpha^2$ $\sqrt{\alpha_t} \left\{ 2\operatorname{Re}[B^{\star}(C+F) \,\alpha_S^2 \alpha^{3/2} + E^{\star}(C+F) \alpha_S \alpha^{5/2}] \right\}$ 80 $\alpha_t 2 \text{Re}[B^* E] \alpha_s^2 \alpha$ $|C+F|^2 \alpha_S \alpha^3$ 70 $\sqrt{\alpha_t} 2 \operatorname{Re}[E^{\star}(C+F)\alpha_S \alpha^{5/2}]$ 60 50 40 30 20 10 and the design in the second 0 150 200 250 300 350 400 450 500 $\sqrt{\hat{s}} \, [\text{GeV}]$

$$\sigma_{bg \to Hb} \propto |\mathcal{M}_{qg}(b)|^2 / (4\pi)^4 =$$

$$\alpha_b \left\{ |D_{qg}(b)|^2 \alpha_S \right\} (4\pi)^{-2}$$

$$+ \alpha_t \left\{ |B_{qg}{}^t(b)|^2 \alpha_S^3$$

$$+ 2\text{Re} \left[B_{qg}^{\star}{}^t(b) E_{qg}{}^t(b) \right] \alpha_S^2 \alpha$$

$$+ |E_{qg}{}^t(b)|^2 \alpha_S \alpha^2 \right\}$$

$$+ \sqrt{\alpha_t} \left\{ 2\text{Re} \left[B_{qg}^{\star}{}^t(b) (C_{qg}(b) + F_{qg}(b)) \right] \alpha_S^2 \alpha \sqrt{\alpha}$$

$$+ 2\text{Re} \left[E_{qg}^{\star}{}^t(b) (C_{qg}(b) + F_{qg}(b)) \right] \alpha_S \alpha^2 \sqrt{\alpha}$$

$$+ |C_{qg}(b) + F_{qg}(b)|^2 \alpha_S \alpha^3.$$
LHC ($\sqrt{S} = 10 \text{ TeV}$), differential hadronic cross sections

$$rac{d\sigma(S, p_{T, ext{jet}})}{dp_{T, ext{jet}}}, \ |\eta_{ ext{jet}}| < 4.5$$

 $rac{d\sigma(S, \eta_{ ext{jet}})}{d\eta_{ ext{jet}}}, \ p_{T, ext{jet}} > 30 \, ext{GeV}$

[Higgs + Jet, Numerical Results, LHC]

 $p_{T,\text{jet}}$ distribution : quark-gluon scattering ($m_H = 120 \text{ GeV}$)



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effects on the of the total Higgs + Jet distributions ($m_H = 120 \text{ GeV}$) for the LHC ($\sqrt{s} = 10 \text{ TeV}$):



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[Higgs + Jet, Numerical Results, Tevatron]

effects on the of the total Higgs + Jet distributions: ($m_H = 120 \text{ GeV}$) for the Tevatron ($\sqrt{s} = 1.96 \text{ TeV}$):



[Higgs + Jet]

MSSM: SUSY-QCD Results* [OBr, Hollik '03 & '07]
 * Electroweak LO contributions in the MSSM are currently work in progress.

dependence on squark mass scale M_{SUSY} for three MSSM scenarios:



• HiggsBounds



- What is HiggsBounds? [Bechtle, OBr, Heinemeyer, Weiglein, Williams '08]

Tool to test models with arbitrary Higgs sectors against exclusion bounds from LEP and the Tevatron.

- Higgs search @ LEP/Tevatron:
 - \rightarrow non-observation of Higgs signals turned into 95% C.L. limits on \ldots
 - a) ... cross sections of individual signal topologies,

e.g. $e^+e^- \rightarrow h_i Z \rightarrow b \overline{b} Z$, $p \overline{p} \rightarrow h_i \rightarrow W^+ W^-$,

b) ... cross sections of combinations of signal topologies,

e.g. SM, MSSM combined limits.

 \rightarrow many individual publications, not convenient to use *all* of them

• HiggsBounds:

- * access to all relevant Higgs exclusion limits in 3 ways: command line, subroutines (Fortran 77/90), web: www.ippp.dur.ac.uk/HiggsBounds
- * statistical significance of analyses used (via expected limits)
- * required model input: # of Higgs bosons h_i , m_{h_i} , $\Gamma_{tot}(h_i)$, BR $(h_i \rightarrow ...)$, production cross section ratios (wrt reference values)

Higgs search results: example 1: LEP SM combined limit



exclusion = rejection of the Higgs hypothesis

$$S_{95}(m_{H1}) := \frac{\sigma_{\min}}{\sigma_{SM}}(m_{H1})$$

where $\sigma_{\min}(m_{H1})$ is the Higgs signal cross section where data and Higgs hypothesis are compatible with only 5% probability.

A SM-like model with $\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\text{model}}(m_{H1}) > \sigma_{\min}(m_{H1}) \\ \text{or } \frac{\sigma_{\text{model}}(m_{H1})}{\sigma_{\min}(m_{H1})} > 1 \\ \text{is said to be excluded at the 95% C.L.} \end{aligned}$ example 2: LEP single topology limits, assuming HZ production and ...



example 3: Tevatron SM combined limit [CDF note 9998, DØ note 5983]



implemented analyses : LEP [HiggsBounds 1.2.0]

We include expected and observed S_{95} values for the following analyses

1.
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow (h_k)Z \rightarrow (b\bar{b})Z$$
, [EPJC 46(2006)547]
2. $e^+e^- \rightarrow (h_k)Z \rightarrow (\tau^+\tau^-)Z$, [EPJC 46(2006)547]
3. $e^+e^- \rightarrow (h_k)Z \rightarrow (\tau^+\tau^-)Z$, [LEP Higgs WG note 2002-02]
4. $e^+e^- \rightarrow (h_k)Z \rightarrow (anything)Z$, [OPAL, EPJC 27(2003)311]
5. $e^+e^- \rightarrow (h_k \rightarrow h_ih_i)Z \rightarrow (b\bar{b}b\bar{b})Z$, [EPJC 46(2006)547]
6. $e^+e^- \rightarrow (h_k \rightarrow h_ih_i)Z \rightarrow (\tau^+\tau^-\tau^+\tau^-)Z$, [EPJC 46(2006)547]
7. $e^+e^- \rightarrow (h_kh_i) \rightarrow (\tau^+\tau^-\tau^+\tau^-)$, [EPJC 46(2006)547]
8. $e^+e^- \rightarrow (h_k \rightarrow h_ih_i)h_i \rightarrow (b\bar{b}b\bar{b})b\bar{b}$, [EPJC 46(2006)547]
9. $e^+e^- \rightarrow (h_k \rightarrow h_ih_i)h_i \rightarrow (b\bar{b}b\bar{b})b\bar{b}$, [EPJC 46(2006)547]
10. $e^+e^- \rightarrow (h_k \rightarrow h_ih_i)h_i \rightarrow (\tau^+\tau^-\tau^+\tau^-)\tau^+\tau^-$, [EPJC 46(2006)547]
11. $e^+e^- \rightarrow (h_k \rightarrow h_ih_i)Z \rightarrow (b\bar{b})(\tau^+\tau^-)Z$, [LEP Higgs WG]
12. $e^+e^- \rightarrow (h_k \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-)(h_i \rightarrow b\bar{b})$, [LEP Higgs WG]

Inclusion of additional topologies is work in progress (e.g. $e^+e^- \rightarrow h_k Z, h_k \rightarrow \text{invisible}; e^+e^- \rightarrow h_k Z, h_k \rightarrow \text{hadrons, ...}$)

implemented analyses : Tevatron [HiggsBounds 1.2.0]

single topology analyses

search topology X (analysis)	reference (*=published)
$p\bar{p} \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow l^+ l^- b\bar{b}$ (CDF with 4.1 [2.7]fb ⁻¹)	CDF note 9475 [CDF '09]*
$par{p} ightarrow ZH ightarrow l^+ l^- bar{b}$ (DØ with 4.2 fb $^{-1}$)	DØ note 5876
$par{p} ightarrow WH ightarrow l u bar{b}$ (CDF with 4.3 [2.7] fb $^{-1}$)	CDF '09 [CDF '09]*
$par{p} o WH o l u bar{b}$ (DØ with 5.0 [1.1] fb $^{-1}$)	DØ note 5972 [DØ '08]*
$p \overline{p} ightarrow W H ightarrow W^+ W^- W^\pm$ (DØ with 3.6 fb $^{-1}$)	DØ note 5873
$p \overline{p} ightarrow W H ightarrow W^+ W^- W^\pm$ (CDF with 2.7 fb ⁻¹)	CDF note 7307 v3
$p \overline{p} ightarrow H ightarrow W^+ W^- ightarrow l^+ l'^-$ (DØ with 3.0 fb $^{-1}$)	DØ note 5757
$p \overline{p} ightarrow H ightarrow W^+ W^- ightarrow l^+ l'^-$ (CDF with 3.0 fb ⁻¹)	CDF '08*
$p \overline{p} ightarrow H ightarrow \gamma \gamma$ (DØ with 4.2 [2.7] fb $^{-1}$)	DØ note 5858 [DØ '09]*
$p ar p o H o au^+ au^-$ (CDF with 1.8 fb $^{-1}$)	CDF '09*
$p ar{p} ightarrow H ightarrow au^+ au^-$ (DØ with 2.2 [1.0] fb $^{-1}$)	DØ 5740 [DØ '08]*
$p\overline{p} ightarrow H ightarrow au^+ au^-$ (CDF & DØ with 1.8 & 2.2 fb ⁻¹)	CDF note 9888, DØ note 5980
$p \overline{p} ightarrow b H, H ightarrow au^+ au^-$ (DØ with 2.7 [0.328] fb ⁻¹)	DØ note 5985 [DØ '09]*
$par{p} o bH, H o bar{b}$ (CDF with 1.9 fb $^{-1}$)	CDF note 9284
$p \overline{p} ightarrow b H, H ightarrow b \overline{b}$ (DØ with 2.6 [1.0] fb $^{-1}$)	DØ note 5726 [DØ '08]*

implemented analyses : Tevatron [HiggsBounds 1.2.0]

analyses combining topologies

search topology X (analysis)	reference (*=publ.)
$p\bar{p} \rightarrow WH/ZH \rightarrow b\bar{b} + E_T^{\text{miss.}}$ (CDF with 3.6 [1.0] fb ⁻¹)	CDF note 9891 [CDF '08]*
$par{p} ightarrow WH/ZH ightarrow bar{b} + E_T^{ ext{miss.}}$ (DØ with 2.1 [0.93] fb ⁻¹)	D0 note 5586 [DØ '08]*
$p\bar{p} \rightarrow H/HW/HZ/H$ via VBF, $H \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$ (CDF with 2.0 fb ⁻¹)	CDF note 9248
$p \bar{p} ightarrow H/HW/HZ/H$ via VBF, $H ightarrow WW$ (CDF with 4.8 fb ⁻¹)	CDF note 9887
$p\bar{p} \rightarrow H/HW/HZ/H$ via VBF, $H \rightarrow WW$ (CDF with 3.0-4.2 fb ⁻¹)	DØ note 5871
Combined SM analysis (CDF & DØ with 0.9 – 1.9 fb $^{-1}$)	hep-ex/0712.2383
Combined SM analysis (CDF & DØ with 1.0 – 2.4 fb ⁻¹)	hep-ex/0804.3423
Combined SM analysis (CDF & DØ with 3.0 fb $^{-1}$)	hep-ex/0808.0534
Combined SM analysis (CDF with 3.0 fb $^{-1}$)	CDF note 9674
Combined SM analysis (CDF & DØ with 0.9 – 4.2 fb $^{-1}$)	hep-ex/0903.4001
[At the moment, used only for $m_H \geq 155$ GeV.]	
Combined SM analysis (CDF with 2.0 – 4.8 fb ^{-1})	CDF note 9897

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[HiggsBounds]

- Applications



[HiggsBounds, Applications]

application 2: MSSM benchmark scenarios, exclusion update



[HiggsBounds, Applications] application 2: MSSM benchmark scenarios, exclusion update (August 2009) a) LEP and Tevatron exclusion b) highest sensitivity





application 3: Randall-Sundrum model, excluded parameter space

- There is one graviscalar in 5d: the radion φ
- Higgs radion mixing via the interaction

 $\mathcal{L} = -\xi \sqrt{-g_{\text{ind}}} R(g_{\text{ind}}) \Phi^{\dagger} \Phi$

with g_{ind} : induced 4d metric, R: Ricci scalar.

- \rightarrow Radion φ and physical Higgs h mix to form two mass eigenstates
- φ coupling to massive fermions and gauge bosons \propto mass, but
 - $\star \varphi b \overline{b}$ coupling suppressed wrt SM Higgs
 - $\star \varphi gg$ coupling enhanced wrt SM Higgs
 - $\star \; \varphi \, \gamma \gamma$ coupling suppressed wrt SM Higgs
- \rightarrow two scalars in the spectrum with modified couplings compared to the SM Higgs boson

[HiggsBounds, Applications]



– Status and Outlook

• The code is publicly available (current verison: 1.2.0).

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www.ippp.dur.ac.uk/HiggsBounds/
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- Reception so far very encouraging: e.g. used in or by FeynHiggs, Fittino, MasterCode, 2HDMC, DarkSusy, S. Kraml et al., M. Carena et al., W. Bernreuther et al., etc.
- Current work: (will soon appear as version 2.0.0)
 - inclusion of new Tevatron analyses
 - inclusion of LEP analyses with $H \rightarrow$ invis., $H \rightarrow$ hadrons, etc.
 - inclusion of charged Higgs analyses

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- Plans:
 - providing CL_{s+b} for given m_H and $\sigma \times BR$ (\rightarrow useful for model fitting)
 - inclusion of width-dependent limits

summary

- We are sure to observe electroweak symmetry breaking in nature. However, up to now, we have no clue how it is realised. The Higgs mechanism allows to describe EWSB consistently up to very high energy.
- SM simulations show: Higgs + high- p_T jet is a promising alternative to the inclusive production. Differences between MSSM and SM also extend to shapes of differential distributions.
- HiggsBounds: powerful tool for constraining Higgs sectors of new physics models systematically.



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effects on the of the total Higgs + Jet distributions: $(m_H = 120 \text{ GeV})$



- MSSM

Supersymmetry ...

- ... is *the* extension of the Poincaré-symmetry of space-time
- ... leads to a symmetry between Fermions & Bosons
- gauge theory with minimal SUSY :
 - same # of fermionic & bosonic d. o. f.
 - \rightarrow a superpartner of different spin exists for each particle
 - couplings are correlated
 - \rightarrow e.g. scalar 4-point int. \leftrightarrow gauge couplings
 - superpartners have the same mass
 - \rightarrow SUSY must be broken at the electroweak scale
- gauge theory with broken SUSY :
 - superpartner masses enter as additional free parameters (essentially)

Minimal supersymmetric Standard Model (MSSM):

gauge group : $SU(3)_{colour} \times SU(2)_{isospin} \times U(1)_{hypercharge}$

particle content :

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Higgs bos	ons H_1, H_2	0	Higgsinos	$ ilde{H}_1, ilde{H}_2$	$\frac{1}{2}$

 $\tilde{W}^{\pm}, \tilde{Z}, \tilde{\gamma}$ and \tilde{H}_1, \tilde{H}_2 mix to charginos $\chi_1^{\pm}, \chi_2^{\pm}$ and neutralinos $\chi_1^0, \ldots, \chi_4^0$

R-parity : discrete, multiplicative quantum number

R(regular particles) = +1R(superpartners) = -1

 \rightarrow designed to avoid large Flavour Canging Neutral Currents (FCNC)

consequences of *R*-parity conservation:

all interactions involve an *even* number of superpartners
 → superpartners can only be pair-produced

• the lightest superpartner (LSP) is stable \rightarrow the LSP is a candidate for dark matter
- SM extensions





