Standard Model Higgs Phenomenology

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The theory of electroweak interactions started by proposing massless weak bosons with the following Lagrangian:

$$L = -\frac{1}{4} \overrightarrow{W_{\mu\nu}} \cdot \overrightarrow{W^{\mu\nu}} - \frac{1}{4} B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} + \overrightarrow{\psi} i \gamma^{\mu} D_{\mu} \psi$$
$$\overrightarrow{W_{\mu\nu}} = \partial_{\mu} \overrightarrow{W_{\nu}} - \partial_{\nu} \overrightarrow{W_{\mu}} - g \overrightarrow{W_{\mu}} \times \overrightarrow{W_{\nu}}$$
$$B_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu} B_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu} B_{\mu}$$

 A combination of W¹ and W² makes W⁺ and W⁻
 A combination of W³ and B makes Z and γ but they are massless at this moment.





□To give masses to weak boson while keeping the renormalizability of the theory a Higgs boson field was introduced with the following Lagrangian:

$$\mathsf{L} = (\mathsf{D}_{\mu}\phi)^{\dagger}(\mathsf{D}_{\mu}\phi) + \mu^{2}\phi^{\dagger}\phi + \lambda (\phi^{\dagger}\phi)^{2}, \ \varphi = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi^{+} \\ \varphi^{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

□ If a spontaneous symmetry breaking happens and Higgs potential chooses $\phi^+=0$ and $\phi^0=(v+H)/\sqrt{2}$, a mass spectrum is obtained:



$$M_{W} = \frac{g_{Z}}{2}$$

$$M_{Z} = \frac{g_{Z}}{2}$$

$$M_{\gamma} = 0$$

$$M_{H} = \sqrt{-2\mu^{2}}$$

$$M_{W} = \sqrt{-2\mu^{2}}$$

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The Higgs potential vev (v) is obtained in terms of G_F measured from low energy muon decay :

$$v = \frac{2M_W}{g} = (\sqrt{2}G_F)^{-1/2} \cong 246 \ GeV$$

 $\Box M_W$ and M_Z are predicted to be

$$M_{W} = A / \sin \theta_{W}$$
$$M_{Z} = A / \sin \theta_{W} \cos \theta_{W}$$
$$A(\alpha_{em}, G_{F}) \cong 37 GeV$$

 \Box Sin² Θ_W ~0.23 from Z-exchange involved scattering e.g. e⁺e \rightarrow ee,...

Therefore the Higgs mechanism predicts $M_{W} \cong 80 \, GeV$ $M_{Z} \cong 90 GeV$ $M_{\gamma} = 0$

 \Box The same values for M_W and M_Z were measured at LEP experiment at CERN₄

But the Higgs boson mass remains as the open parameter of the model.





The W and Z bosons were discovered at LEP (Large electron positron collider) at CERN,

The Higgs boson process was e⁻e⁺->Z H
 The center of mass energy was ~210 GeV
 The Higgs boson upper mass to search for was 210-90=120 GeV

■But no Higgs boson was not found in the mass range below 120 GeV ■Although a 3sigma evidence was observed around m(H)~114 GeV

To complete the mission, LEP was upgraded to LHCThe same tunnel was used with upgraded magnets, detectors, ...





The LHC detectors



LHC has 4 main detectors:



CMS:

Size: 21 m long, 15 m wide and 15 m high. Weight: 12 500 tonnes Location: Cessy, France.



ATLAS: Size: 46 m long, 25 m high and 25 m wide. Weight: 7000 tonnes Location: Meyrin, Switzerland.



ALICE: Size: 26 m long, 16 m high, 16 m wide Weight: 10 000 tonnes Location: St Genis-Pouilly, France

LHCb: Size: 21m long, 10m high and 13m wide Weight: 5600 tonnes Location: Ferney-Voltaire, France.





- Results already obtained from LEP (in the same tunnel before upgrading to LHC) shows a Higgs boson mass lower limit of 114.4GeV at 95% C.L. (CERN-EP 2003-011)
- Indirect searches including fits to precision electroweak measurements set an upper limit of 182GeV (hep-ex 0710.4983)
- Recently including results on W mass measurements in Tevatron the upper limit was set to m(H)<158 GeV from EW fits.
- The current indirect search result:

m(H)<158 GeV











Search strategy in CMS



CMS search channels:

- $pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$
- $pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ^{(*)} \rightarrow 4l(l = e, \mu)$
- $pp \rightarrow qqH \rightarrow qq\tau^+\tau^-$
- $pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow W^+W^- \rightarrow l\nu l\nu, l\nu qq$

 $\Box H \rightarrow_{YY} \text{ and } H \rightarrow_{\tau\tau} \text{ are}$ used for low mass Higgs boson search m(H)<135 GeV

□H→WW and H→ZZ are used for intermediate and high mass searches 130 < m(H) < 700 GeV.





A reminder





Before going to LHC results I should mention that all Tevatron and LHC results are based on searches for tiny effects and very small deviations from SM.



H -> $\gamma\gamma$ in CMS













H -> $\tau\tau$ in CMS













H -> WW in CMS







Full results based on CLs in CMS











Conclusions:

One of the main goals of the LHC has been to search for the Higgs boson,

Discovery of such a particle could answer a fundamental question about the mass spectrum,

Tevatron has set limits on the Higgs boson mass as 156 < m(H) < 177 GeV

The LHC results have now taken over those of Tevatron,

The current CMS result is 145 < m(H) < 216 GeV

The most probable region to find the Higgs boson is currently 115 < m(H) < 145 GeV