The Large Hadron Collider Finally Entering Operation An Overview of the LHC Project and its Status





The Large Hadron Collider Project: A Journey to Discover the Physics Shortly After the Big Bang





A most basic question is why particles (and matter) have masses (and so different masses)

The mass mystery could be solved with the 'Higgs mechanism' which predicts the existence of a new elementary particle, the 'Higgs' particle (theory 1964, P. Higgs, R. Brout and F. Englert)





CDF/D0 Conclusion at HCP2009:

 Great results from both experiments in both low and high mass sectors

• SM Higgs exclusion in the range 163-166 GeV @95% CL

• Expected exclusion range 159-168 GeV

• Better than 2.2xSM sensitivity at all masses below 185 GeV

Stay tuned for further
 Tevatron improvements in
 Higgs searches

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Tevatron Run II Preliminary, L=2.0-5.4 fb⁻¹

Dark Matter in the Universe

Astronomers say that most of the matter in the Universe is invisible Dark Matter

'Supersymmetric' particles ?

We shall look for them with the LHC





Unification of Forces





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underground near Geneva







The full LHC accelerator complex



The most challenging components are the 1232 high-tech superconducting dipole magnets

Magnetic field: 8.4 T Operation temperature: 1.9 K Dipole current: 11700 A Stored energy: 7 MJ Dipole weight: 34 tons 7600 km of Nb-Ti superconducting cable

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The particle beams are accelerated by superconducting Radio-Frequency (RF) cavities



	LHC at 7 TeV	LEP at 100 GeV
Synchrotron radiation loss	6.7 keV/turn	3 GeV/turn
Peak accelerating voltage	16 MV/beam	3600 MV/beam



Note: The acceleration is not such a big issue in pp colliders (unlike in e^+e^- colliders), because of the ~ 1/m⁴ behaviour of the synchrotron radiation energy losses [~ E^4_{beam}/Rm^4] Special quadrupole magnets ('Inner Triplets') are focussing the particle beams to reach highest densities ('Iuminosity') at their interaction point in the centre of the experiments

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Relative beam sizes around the collision point

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10 September 2008: LHC inauguration day

First (single) beams circulating in the machine



Five CERN DGs, from conception to realization: Schopper, Rubbia, Llewellyn Smith, Maiani, Aymar (from right to left)



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First LHC Single Beam on 10th September 2008







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10th September 2008 in the CMS Control room



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No RF, debunching in ~ 25*10 turns, i.e. roughly 25 ms



Capture with first order corrected injection phasing



Capture of the first LHC beam with optimum injection phasing, correct reference





First 'interaction' (in ALICE beam pipe...) 12th Sept. 2008



ITS tracks on 12.9.2008 7 reconstructed tracks, common vertex Circulating beam 2: stray particle causing an interaction in the ITS

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Incident on 19th September 2008

The LHC decided to use a few days of down-time due to a 'standard' power converter fault to finish work on missing powering tests in sector 3-4 (all other sectors were tested to 5.5 TeV equivalent currents)

At 8.7 kA (corresponding to ~ 5.1 TeV), a resistive zone appeared in the superconducting busbar between quadrupole Q24 and the neighboring dipole (due to a bad welding 'splice')



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Most likely, an electrical arc developed, which punctured the Helium enclosure

Large amounts of Helium gas were released into the insulating vacuum of the cryostat:

- Self actuating relief valves opened, releasing large amount of He in the tunnel, but could not handle huge pressure
- Hence, large pressure waves traveled along the accelerator both ways
- Large forces exerted on the vacuum barriers located every 2 machine cells
- These forces displaced several quadrupoles by up to ~50 cm
- Beam pipes broke as well, vacuum contaminated



Examples of collateral damage

High pressure build-up damaged the magnet interconnects and the super-insulation

Perforation of the beam tubes resulted in pollution of the vacuum system with soot from the vaporization and with debris from the super insulation.



Illustrating some of the preventive measures





Busbar splices



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Energy presently dictated by LHC Interconnects





Current flow at 1.9K

Good joint resistance < $1 n\Omega$

Current flow after a quench

Good joint resistance < 10 $\mu\Omega$

Simulations: Maximum safe currents vs copper joint resistance



RB: case 1 (quench in 1.9 K environment)

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The LHC repairs in detail



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Energy 2009 - 2010

- During commissioning of new Quench Protection System Q4 2009
 - Breakdown at operational voltage traced to connector quality
 - Obliged to run at lower voltage
 - OK for 3.5TeV (but with limited safety margin)
 - Need to change thousands of connectors
- Incurred delays in commissioning circuits to 6kA (for 3.5 TeV beam)
 - Target for 2009 2kA (allows to get to 1.18 TeV beam with small margin)
- Result
 - Beam energy 20091.18 TeV
 - Commissioning with beam (450 GeV collisions and ramp to 1.18 TeV)
 - Fix (some of) connectors and commission circuits to 3.5 TeV beam January
 - Beam energy first part of 2010
 3.5 TeV
 - Physics at 7 TeV (few months)
 - Fix (rest of) connectors and commission circuits to 5TeV beam
 - Beam energy second part of 2010 5 TeV
 - Physics at 10 TeV (few months)

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Higher Energies

- Route to energies > 5 TeV blocked by 3 things
 - Pressure relief valves needed on dipoles in sectors 23 45 78 81
 - Interconnects
 - Only 3.5 TeV is sure
 - 5 TeV is likely in 2010
 - Intervention needed to go higher

Retraining of dipole magnets

- All magnets reached 7 TeV in the SM18 tests
- Installed sectors (with one notable exception!) all reached 5TeV
- Detraining seen when pushing to higher fields in 2008 (sector 56)
 - Storage ?
 - Transport ?
 - Thermal cycle ?
 - Interconnections ?
- Status (Chamonix 2009)
 - 6 TeV looks easy (~10 quenches)
 - 6.5 TeV looks harder (~100 quenches)
 - 7 TeV looks harder still (~1000 quenches)

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Can't investigate empirically until interconnects are sorted out

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Task force launched end of October Define how to get to 7 TeV Conclude by mid 2010


CMS 2900 Physicists **184 Institutions 38 countries 550 MCHF**

ALICE **1000 Physicists 105 Institutions 30** countries **150 MCHF**

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ATLAS 2900 Physicists 172 Institutions 37 countries 550 MCHF







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LHCb in its cavern (~100 m deep)



LHCb Vertex Locator (VELO)



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Example of an Engineering Challenge: CMS Solenoid



CMS solenoid:	
Magnetic length	12.5 m
Diameter	6 m
Magnetic field	4 T
Nominal current	20 kA
Stored energy	2.7 GJ
Tested at full current in Summer 2006	



The central, heaviest slice (2000 tons) including the solenoid magnet lowered in the underground cavern in Feb. 2007





CMS Electron and Photon calorimeter: 76 000 PbW0₄ crystals

The End-cap was on the critical path for many years, but it was completed just in time before final closure, a major achievement by CMS

Barrel ECAL Installation Completed: 27 July 07





CMS Silicon Tracker









The Underground Cavern at Point-1 for the ATLAS Detector

Length	= 55 m
Width	= 32 m
Height	= 35 m





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The underground cavern was finished in June 2003









An outstanding construction job done by the HEP group at UAM !

Transport of one of the two ATLAS LAr End-Cap Calorimeters to the pit (Dec 2005)



LAr EM calorimeter inserted in the cryostat





Muon System



Stand-alone momentum resolution ΔpT/pT < 10% up to 1 TeV

2-6 Tm $|\eta|$ < 1.3 **4-8 Tm** 1.6 < $|\eta|$ < 2.7

~1200 MDT precision chambers for track







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Collisions at LHC



Cross Sections and Production Rates







The read-out electronics, trigger, DAQ and detector control systems have been brought into operation gradually over the past years, along with the detector commissioning with cosmics

(Examples from ATLAS)



Example of LAr calorimeter read-out electronics

Example of Level-1 Trigger electronics

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In total about 300 racks with electronics in the underground counting rooms



ATLAS HLT Farms (as an example for staged implementation)

Final size for max L1 rate (TDR) ~ 500 PCs for L2 + ~ 1800 PCs for EF

(multi-core technology)

For 2008: 850 PCs installed total of 27 XPU racks = 35% of final system

(1 rack = 31 PCs) (XPU = can be connected to L2 or EF)

• x 8 cores

- CPU: 2 x Intel Harpertown quad-core 2.5 GHz
- RAM: 2 GB / core, i.e. 16 GB

Final system : total of 17 L2 + 62 EF racks

of which 28 (of 79) racks as XRE htering Operation



Worldwide LHC Computing Grid (wLCG)



WLCG is a worldwide collaborative effort on an unprecedented scale in terms of storage and CPU requirements, as well as the software project's size

GRID computing developed to solve problem of data storage and analysis

LHC data volume per year: 10-15 Petabytes

One CD has ~ 600 Megabytes 1 Petabyte = 10^9 MB = 10^{15} Byte

(Note: the WWW is from CERN...+)c Enter



The Worldwide LHC Computing Grid (wLCG)



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LHC Entering Operation

Data recording
Initial data reconstruction
Data distribution

Tier-1 (11 centres):

Permanent storage
Re-processing
Analysis

Tier-0 (CERN):

Tier-2 (federations of ~130 centres): • Simulation • End-user analysis



Strategy toward physics

Before data taking starts:

Strict quality controls of detector construction to meet physics requirements

- Test beams (a 15-year activity culminating with a <u>combined test beam in 2004</u>) to understand and calibrate (part of) detector and validate/tune software tools (e.g. Geant4 simulation)
- Detailed simulations of realistic detector "as built and as installed" (including misalignments, material non-uniformities, dead channels, etc.)
 test and validate calibration/alignment strategies
- Experiment commissioning with cosmics in the underground cavern

With the first data:

- Commission/calibrate detector/trigger in situ with physics (min.bias, Z→II, …)
- "Rediscover" Standard Model, measure it at √s = 10 TeV
- (minimum bias, W, Z, tt, QCD jets, ...)
- Validate and tune tools (e.g. MC generators)
- Measure main backgrounds to New Physics (W/Z+jets, tt+jets, QCD-jets,...)

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Example: ATLAS LAr em Accordion Calorimeter


Commissioning with cosmics in the underground caverns (the first real data in situ ...)

Started about three years ago. Very useful to:

- Run an increasingly more complete detector with final trigger, data acquisition and monitoring systems. Data analyzed with final software
- Shake-down and debug the experiment in its final position → fix problems
- Perform first calibration and alignment studies
- Gain global operation experience in situ before collisions start



Rate of cosmics in ATLAS: 0.5-100 Hz (depending on sub-detector size and location)



Continuous Operation of CMS

CRAFT: 'Cosmics Run at Four Tesla'

CMS ran for 6 weeks (Oct/Nov 08) continuously to gain operational experience

Collected 300M cosmic events with tracking detectors and field (≈ 70% live- time). About 400 TB of data distributed widely.

87% have a standalone muon track reconstructed

3% have a global muon track with strip tracker hits (~7M trks)

3-4 x 10⁻⁴ have a track with pixel hits (~70k trks)

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CMS CRAFT Results: Some Examples



A cosmic muon traversing the whole ATLAS detector, recorded on 18/10/2008



Rate of cosmics events in ATLAS: 1-700 Hz (depending on the sub-detector size and location)

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Extrapolation to the surface of cosmic muon tracks reconstructed by RPC trigger chambers



Correlation between measurements in the ATLAS Inner Detector and Muon Spectrometer



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Inner Detector



Cosmics-ray shower recorded

Transition radiation intensity is proportional to particle γ -factor: onset at high γ (E~100 GeV for muons)



Tracks are split in the center and refit separately \rightarrow can measure resolutions and biases from data

LHCb example: Seeing RICH1 rings from cosmics

RICH optics assumes particles ~horizontal and from IP \rightarrow using cosmics is tricky! Solution: use scintillators as auxiliary triggers and a lot of patience

(~2 triggers/minute)



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Several rings observed!



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Steve Myers, CERN 26th November 2009:

LHC is back!

'From the dark days after September 19, 2008 to the bright days of late November 2009'

QPS team



Friday November 20th, 2009

18:30 Beam 1

- 19.00 beam through CMS (23, 34, 45)
 - beam1 through to IP6 19.55 Starting again injection of Beam1
 - corrected beam to IP6, 7, 8, 1
- 20.40 Beam 1 makes 2 turns

2h10 for 27km: 12.5km/h average speed

- Working on tune measurement, orbit, dump and RF
- Beam makes several hundred turns (not captured)
 - Integers 64 59, fractional around .3 (Qv trimmed up .1)
- 20.50 Beam 1 on beam dump at point 6
- 21.50 Beam 1 captured

22:15 Beam2

- 23.10 Start threading Beam2
 - Round to 7 6 5 2 1
- 23.40 First Turn Beam2
 - · Working on tune measurement, orbit, dump and RF
 - Beam makes several hundred turns (not captured)
 - Integers 64 59, fractional around .3 (Qv trimmed up .05)

1h25 for 27km; a bit faster

- 24.10 Beam 2 captured

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Beam is circulating and stable

- magnets
- power supplies
- vacuum
- RF
- cryogenics
- all infrastructure
- optics
- injection

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CMS Splash '09 Event Display



ECAL energy deposits in red, Preshower in green, HCAL energy deposits in blue (light blue for HF and HO), RPC muon hits are in yellow,

and CSC muon hits are in magenta.

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1st Beam Splash from Beam-2



ATLAS beam-splash events

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Avalanche of scattered particles from beam-oncollimator hits **Detectors fully lit, typically** •300,000 SCT hits •350,000 TRT hits (~all passing highthreshold) •3000 TeV calo energy sum •490,000 MDT hits •320,000 RPC hits •65,000 TGC hits EXPER 2009-11-20, 23:32 CET Run 140370, Event 2666 IFT-UAM/CSIC Madrid,

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http://atlas.web.cern.ch/Atlas/public/EVTDISPLAY/events.htmlIFT-UAM/CSIC Madrid,17-Dec-2009, P Jenni (CERN)LHC Entering Operation

Examples of early optimization work ... and "handshake" between ATLAS and LHC operation team

First collision events on 23 November: ATLAS beam pickups showed phase shift of 900 ps, causing the primary vertex to be shifted by -13.5 cm in Z \rightarrow based on this information, the machine team corrected the RF cogging





Track Z distribution of collision candidate events as obtained before and after RF cogging. Observed shift: \sim +12 cm



Note: beams were not yet stable \rightarrow Pixels off and SCT at reduced voltage

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CMS event from the Evening Fill



LHCb events have nice vertices (extrapolating OT tracks)



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A high multiplicity Alice event...





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First Di-photon Distribution in CMS



- $M(\pi^0)$ is lower in both data and MC
- Mostly due to the readout threshold (100 MeV/Crystal).
- Conversions: part of the energy is deposited upstream of ECAL.
- Event timing is consistent

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LHCb π^0 have been reconstructed in the calorimeter







EM

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ATLAS $K_{s}^{0} \rightarrow \pi^{+}\pi^{-}$

2 opposite-sign tracks:

- p_T >500 MeV
- originating from common vertex
- impact parameter d₀ > 4 mm
- momentum sum along flight direction

Data and MC normalized to the same area




ATLAS missing transverse energy resolution



LHC physics goals

Search for the Standard Model Higgs boson over ~ 115 < m_H < 1000 GeV. Explore the highly-motivated TeV-scale, looking for physics beyond the SM (Supersymmetry, Extra-dimensions, q/l compositness, leptoquarks, W'/Z', heavy q/l,..) Measure CP-violation in B-decays Measure transition from hadronic matter to quark-gluon plasma

What is the origin of the particle masses ?

What is the nature of the Universe dark matter ?

What is the origin of the Universe matter-antimatter asymmetry ?

What were the constituents of the Universe primordial plasma ~10 μ s after the Big Bang ?

What happened in the first instants of the Universe life (10⁻¹⁰ s after the Big Bang) ?



Etc. etc.

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Expected number of events in ATLAS for 100 pb⁻¹ after cuts J/ψ→μμ Expected numbers of events for 100 pb⁻¹ 10⁶ W→µv 10⁵ Ζ→μμ 10⁴ 10³ <u>tt</u>→µν+> tt→µν+X 10² inside peak 450 GeV q,g 10 (strong cuts) 1⊨ 10 4 5 6 7 8 9 Centre-of-mass energy (TeV)

ATLAS preliminary

Example: Expected ATLAS performance on "Day-1" (based on test-beam, simulation, and cosmics results)

	Initial Day-1	Ultimate goal	Data samples to improve (examples)
ECAL uniformitye/γE-scaleJetE-scaleID alignmentMuon alignment	~2.5%	0.7%	Isolated electrons, Z→ee
	2-3%	<0.1%	J/ ψ , Z → ee, E/p for electrons
	5-10%	1%	γ /Z + 1j, W → jj in tt eventsID
	20-200 μm	5 μm	Generic tracks, isolated μ , Z → $\mu\mu$
	40-1000 μm	40 μm	Straight m, Z → $\mu\mu$



QCD jet spectrum

From the first 10 pb⁻¹ of data, the differential inclusive cross-section can be measured

- 100 GeV < p_T^{jet} < 1.4 TeV</p>
- central rapidity

Systematic errors will go down as more events are collected

Any large deviation from QCD prediction

- will be studied carefully
- may be sign for new physics





Precision on σ (Z \rightarrow µµ) with 100 pb⁻¹: ~ 4% (experimental error, dominated by systematics), ~10-20% (luminosity)



■S/B ~2-3, large enough to see clean peak. However, pure sample for detector commissioning

 \sim when top measured, the experiment is ready for discovery phase ■ tt is background to ~ all searches \rightarrow essential milestone in the path to discoveries

Prospects for most competitive LHCb measurements in 2010

 $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$

Small BR in SM: (3.6 ± 0.3) ×10⁻⁹ (Buras arXiv:0904.4917v1)

Sensitive to NP

- could be strongly enhanced in SUSY
 - In MSSM scales like ~tan⁶β

Current (unofficial) Tevatron limit (G.Punzi, EPS'09):

< 45 ×10⁻⁹ with 2fb⁻¹ (13xSM)

- CDF and D0 expect ~2 SM $B_s \! \rightarrow \! \mu \mu$ events in their current samples
- Making a dent in the final factor of 10 from the SM !



Physics reach for BR($B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$) as function of integrated luminosity (and comparison with Tevatron)



(Note: ATLAS/CMS will be competitive)

 $B_s - \overline{B}_s \ mixing \ phase \ \phi_s \ (from \ B_s \rightarrow J/\psi \ \phi)$

Sensitive to New Physics effects in box diagrams

$$\bullet \phi_{s} = \phi_{s(SM)} + \phi_{s(NP)}$$

$$\bullet \phi_{\mathsf{s}(\mathsf{SM})} = -2\beta_{\mathsf{s}} = -2\lambda^2\eta \sim -0.04$$





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What about discoveries ? (coming back to ATLAS and CMS)

Three cases are usually considered for illustration (luminosities shown here refer to $\sqrt{s} \sim 10$ TeV)					
■ ~ 1 TeV new resonance X → II	needs ~ 100 pb ⁻¹	new forces ? new dimensions ?			
∎ Supersymmetry (~ 1 TeV q̃, ĝ́)	needs few 100 pb ⁻¹	dark matter ?			
■ Light Higgs boson	1 - few fb ⁻¹	origin of mass			

An "easier" case : $Z' \rightarrow II$, mass ~ 1 TeV



- Signal is (narrow) mass peak above small and smooth SM background
- Does not require ultimate EM calorimeter performance
- Discovery beyond Tevatron exclusion reach (m ~ 1 TeV) possible with 200 pb⁻¹ and √ s ≥ 7 TeV (100 pb⁻¹ at 10 TeV)
 → perhaps sometime in 2010 ?

Is this a manifestation of new forces or new dimensions ? From angular distribution of leptons can disentangle Z' (spin=1) from G (spin=2). Requires more data ...



First discoveries: Supersymmetry ?

If it is at the TeV mass scale, it should be found "quickly" thanks to:

■ Huge production rate for q̃q̃,g̃q̃,g̃g̃ production

For $m(\tilde{q},\tilde{g}) \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$ expect 1 event/day at L=10³¹ cm⁻² s⁻¹



■ Spectacular final states (many jets, leptons, missing transverse energy)







The Higgs Hunt



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 $H \rightarrow WW^{(*)} \rightarrow I_V I_V$

Especially in the region m_H <130 GeV, excellent detector performance needed to suppress the huge backgrounds: b-tag, I/ γ E-resolution, γ /j separation, missing E_T resolution, forward jet tag, etc.

→ Higgs searches used as benchmarks for ATLAS and CMS detector design

Light Higgs





Summary of Higgs discovery potential at the LHC



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The first "Higgs" events observed jointly in CMS and ATLAS ... (April 2008)



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Search for Extra-dimensions

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Theories which try to explain why gravity is so much weaker than the other forces

Gravity may propagate in 4+n dimensions, but we could see strong effects only at very small distances, reachable in pp LHC collisions



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Warped Extra-dimensions (Randall-Sundrum models): production of narrow Graviton resonances





Signature: a resonance in the di-electron or di-muon final state a priori easy for the experiments

Caveat: new developments suggest that G_{KK} would couple dominantly to top antitop...

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If theories with Extra-dimensions are true, microscopic black holes could be abundantly produced and observed at the LHC



They decay immediately through Stephen Hawking radiation

Simulation of a black hole event with $M_{BH} \sim 8$ TeV in ATLAS

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Finally the LHC Project is in Operation

All experiments have collected successfully first LHC collision data

The experiments operated remarkably well, from data taking to data transfer worldwide, and produced first results that confirm initial hopes to reach the expected performances

→ All hopes are permitted for the physics to come!

The machine turned on in an extraordinary manner, and all compliments have to go to the LHC team

It is also clear that the machine and the experiments have still a long way to go, but the enthusiasm is great to do so

With more time and more data

The LHC will explore in detail the highly-motivated TeV-scale with a direct discovery potential up to $m \approx 5-6$ TeV

- \rightarrow if New Physics is there, the LHC should find it
- → it will say the final word about the SM Higgs mechanism and many TeV-scale predictions
- \rightarrow it may add crucial pieces to our knowledge of fundamental physics \rightarrow impact also on astroparticle physics and cosmology
- most importantly: it will most likely tell us which are the right questions to ask, and how to go on



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