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Evidence for Dark Matter



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- Studies of collision of two clusters of galaxies "Bullet Cluster" studied in 2006
 - Luminous baryonic matter detected by X-ray emission, separated from distribution of total mass as deduced from gravitational lensing
 - Supports the hypothesis of dark matter whose dominant effect is gravitational
 - One of the favored hypotheses for dark matter is a galactic cloud of "weakly interacting massive particles"
 - With this hypothesis, dark matter bridges astrophysics/cosmology and particle physics
 - What new particles could constitute dark matter?



SuperSymmetry

• SuperSymmetry is a space-time symmetry introduced in particle physics in the 1970's

A SuperSymmetry (SUSY) operator Q is defined by

 $Q | j > = | j \pm \frac{1}{2} >$

ie. angular momentum of a quantum state is changed by ¹/₂ unit

 Q^{\dagger} | fermion > = |boson > Q | boson > = |fermion >

- What is the current theory of particle physics ?
- How can SUSY be incorporated into this theory ?
- Could SUSY particles constitute the dark matter ?
- What can we learn about SUSY particles from precision measurements ?

Standard Model of Particle Physics

- A Lorentz-invariant quantum field theory
- Success # 1: theory of matter: discovery of 6 quarks and 6 leptons
- 12 fundamental fermions

Quarks

Leptons

Standard Model of Particle Physics

- Success # 2: *predictive* theory of fundamental forces
 - matter particles (quarks and leptons) transform in *curved* internal spaces
 - Lagrangian required to be invariant under above "gauge" or coordinate transformations of fermions in internal spaces
 - Invariance *predicts* bosonic vector fields \rightarrow gauge fields
 - Gauge field coupling to fermion
 field is prescribed by symmetry
 - Gauge field → gauge invariant
 force fields
 - Analogous to the Coriolis and Centrifugal forces generated in rotating frames of reference



A Century of Particle Physics: Standard Model

- Idea of symmetry under "gauge transformations" not just a theoretical success: beautifully confirmed by large amount of experimental particle physics measurements, for
 - Electromagnetic force $\Psi(x) \longrightarrow e^{i\varphi(x)} \Psi(x)$ Gauge group is U(1)

- Weak force (radioactivity): gauge group is SU(2)

- Strong (nuclear) force: gauge group is SU(3)



The "Problem" of Particle Physics

- This highly successful theory predicts that particles should be massless!
 - not true in nature
 - Not only "Dark Matter", we do not even know the origin of "Visible Matter"
- Theory rescued by postulating a new "Higgs" field, which permeates all space
 - A sticky field, particles moving through space scatter off the Higgs field, thereby *appearing* to be massive

[Image proposed by David Miller, University College London]



The "Problem" of Particle Physics

- As generators of gauge transformations, gauge bosons should be massless
 - Not true in nature for weak interaction: SU(2) generators are W^{\pm} , Z bosons
 - W and Z gauge bosons are very massive (W ~ 80 GeV, Z ~ 91 GeV)
- Unconfirmed postulate of scalar Higgs field which develops a vacuum expectation value via spontaneous symmetry breaking





Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking

• 2008 Nobel Prize in Physics

"for the discovery of the mechanism of spontaneously broken symmetry in subatomic physics"



Yoichiro Nambu

- A prime motivation of Large Hadron Collider: expose the mechanism of Electroweak Symmetry Breaking
 - Is it the Higgs mechanism?

The "Problem" of Particle Physics

- Proof of the concept: superconductivity
 - Normally massless photon (quantum of electromagnetic force) becomes massive in a superconductor
- Conclusion: our vacuum is not a true vacuum
 - Its a "false vacuum", behaving like a superconductor





Particle Physics after Higgs Boson

- Would the discovery of the Higgs boson conclude the development of particle physics?
- Higgs mechanism solves the problem of electroweak symmetry breaking in a self-consistent manner.....



Peter Higgs

- But it creates a new problem
 - Quantum radiative corrections to the Higgs boson mass are very large and uncontrolled....
 - a worrisome side-effect that cannot be resolved within the quantum field theory containing only the Higgs field



SUSY to the Rescue

- The divergent integral in this quantum loop must be regulated by a high-momentum cutoff, Λ , which could be the gravitational Planck energy scale $M_{planck} \sim 10^{19} \text{ GeV}$
 - Loop calculation gives Higgs boson mass correction ~ $M^2_{_{planck}}$
- physical Higgs boson mass ~ 1000 GeV
- Therefore need extreme "fine-tuning" through renormalization



SUSY top loop

 SUSY vastly reduces fine-tuning requirement by introducing additional amplitudes containing fermion → boson loops and boson → fermion loops

SUSY to the Rescue

- SUSY adds bosonic (scalar) partners to fermions and fermionic partners to scalar and vector bosons
 - Higgs bosons ↔ Higgsino fermions
 - Top quark fermions \leftrightarrow supersymmetric top bosons
- By construction, all properties other than spin identical between superpartners
- Fermion loop with negative sign relative to boson loop, cancels exactly if SUSY was a exact symmetry



SUSY Particles as Dark Matter

- By definition, all SUSY particles would participate in the same interactions as the Standard Model particles
 - SUSY particles would be produced in the Universe
 - Should also be produced in high energy particle colliders
- As with their Standard Model partners, certain SUSY particles are electrically neutral and interact only by the weak interaction
 - Eg, SUSY partner of the Z boson, the "Zino"
 - Zino is a good candidate for the "weakly interacting massive particle" (WIMP) interpretation of dark matter
- Conserved multiplicative quantum number, "R parity" is natural in SuperSymmetric theories
 - R = +1 for Standard Model particles
 - R = -1 for SUSY particles
- Implies pair-production of SUSY particles and antiparticles
- Also implies lightest SUSY particle, eg, Zino is stable \rightarrow WIMP

Detecting New Physics through Precision Measurements

- Willis Lamb (Nobel Prize 1955) measured the difference between energies of ${}^{2}S_{\nu_{2}}$ and ${}^{2}P_{\nu_{2}}$ states of hydrogen atom
 - 4 micro electron volts difference compared to few electron volts binding energy
 - States should be degenerate in energy according to treelevel calculation
- Harbinger of vacuum fluctuations to be calculated by Feynman diagrams containing quantum loops
 - Modern quantum field theory of electrodynamics followed (Nobel Prize 1965 for Schwinger, Feynman, Tomonaga)



Parameters of Electro-Weak Interactions

- Gauge symmetries related to the electromagnetic and weak forces in the standard model, extension of QED
 - U(1) gauge group with gauge coupling g
 - SU(2) gauge group with gauge coupling g'
- And gauge symmetry-breaking via vacuum expectation value of Higgs field v ≠ 0
- Another interesting phenomenon in nature: the U(1) generator and the neutral generator of SU(2) get mixed (linear combination) to yield the observed gauge bosons
 - Photon for electromagnetism
 - Z boson as one of the three gauge bosons of weak interaction
- Linear combination is given by Weinberg mixing angle ϑ_{W}

Parameters of Electro-Weak Interactions

At tree level, all of the observables can be expressed in terms of *three* parameters of the SM Lagrangian: v, g, g' or, equivalently, $v, e, s \equiv \sin \theta_W$ (also $c \equiv \cos \theta_W$)

$$\alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi}, \qquad G_F = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}v^2}, \qquad m_Z = \frac{e\,v}{\sqrt{2}sc}, \qquad m_W = \frac{e\,v}{\sqrt{2}s}, \qquad s_{\text{eff}}^2 = s^2,$$

Radiative corrections to the relations between physical observables and Lagrangian params:



Radiative Corrections to Electromagnetic Coupling

this one is tricky: the hadronic contribution to $\Pi'_{\gamma\gamma}(0)$ cannot be computed perturbatively

We can however trade it for another experimental observable: $R_{\text{had}}(q^2) = \frac{\sigma_{\text{had}}(q^2)}{\sigma_{\ell^+\ell^-}(q^2)}$

$$\alpha(m_Z) = \frac{e^2}{4\pi} \left[1 + \frac{\Pi_{\gamma\gamma}(m_Z)}{m_Z} \right] = \frac{\alpha}{1 - \Delta\alpha(m_Z)}$$

$$\Delta \alpha(m_Z) = \underbrace{\Delta \alpha_\ell(m_Z) + \Delta \alpha_{\rm top}(m_Z)}_{\text{calculable}} + \Delta \alpha_{\rm had}^{(5)}(m_Z)$$

$$\Delta \alpha_{\rm had}^{(5)}(m_Z) = -\frac{m_Z^2}{3\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{R_{\rm had}(q^2) dq^2}{q^2 (q^2 - m_Z^2)} = 0.02758 \pm 0.00035$$

(This hadronic contribution is one of the biggest sources of uncertainty in EW studies)

Radiative Corrections to W Boson Mass

All these corrections can be combined into relations among physical observables, e.g.:

$$m_W^2 = m_Z^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{2\sqrt{2}\pi\alpha}{G_F m_Z^2} (1 + \Delta r)} \right]$$

 Δr can be parametrized in terms of two universal corrections and a remainder:

$$\Delta r = \Delta \alpha(m_Z) - \frac{c^2}{s^2} \Delta \rho + \Delta r_{\rm rem}$$

The leading corrections depend quadratically on m_t but only logarithmically on m_H :

$$\Delta \rho = \frac{\Pi_{ZZ}(0)}{m_Z^2} - \frac{\Pi_{WW}(0)}{m_W^2} \approx \frac{3\alpha}{16\pi c^2} \left(\frac{m_t^2}{s^2 m_Z^2} + \log \frac{m_H^2}{m_W^2} + \dots\right)$$
$$\frac{\delta m_W^2}{m_W^2} \approx \frac{c^2}{c^2 - s^2} \Delta \rho , \qquad \delta \sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}} \approx -\frac{c^2 s^2}{c^2 - s^2} \Delta \rho$$

Motivation for Precision Measurements

• The electroweak gauge sector of the standard model is constrained by three precisely known parameters

$$- \alpha_{\rm EM} \, ({\rm M_Z}) = 1 \, / \, 127.918(18)$$

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$$G_F = 1.16637 (1) \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

 $M_Z = 91.1876 (21) \text{ GeV}$

• At tree-level, these parameters are related to other electroweak observables, $e.g. M_W$

$$- M_W^2 = \pi \alpha_{\rm EM} / \sqrt{2G_F \sin^2 \vartheta_W}$$

• Where ϑ_W is the Weinberg mixing angle, defined by

$$\cos \vartheta_{\rm W} = M_{\rm W}/M_{\rm Z}$$

Motivation for Precision Measurements

• Radiative corrections due to heavy quark and Higgs loops and exotica



Motivate the introduction of the ρ parameter: $M_W^2 = \rho [M_W(\text{tree})]^2$ with the predictions $\Delta \rho = (\rho-1) \sim M_{\text{top}}^2$ and $\Delta \rho \sim \ln M_H$

• In conjunction with M_{top}, the W boson mass constrains the mass of the Higgs boson, and possibly new particles beyond the standard model

Contributions from Supersymmetric Particles



- Radiative correction depends on mass splitting (Δm^2) between squarks in SU(2) doublet
- After folding in limits on SUSY particles from direct searches, SUSY loops can contribute 100-200 MeV to M_w

Uncertainty from $\alpha_{EM}(M_Z)$



- $\delta \alpha_{\rm EM}$ dominated by uncertainty from non-perturbative contributions: hadronic loops in photon propagator at low Q^2
- equivalent $\delta M_W \approx 4$ MeV for the same Higgs mass constraint
 - Was equivalent $\delta M_W \approx 15$ MeV a decade ago !

1998 Status of $M_W vs M_{top}$



Current Status of M_W vs M_{top}



Motivation II

- SM Higgs fit: $M_{\rm H} = 83^{+30}_{-23}$ GeV (gfitter.desy.de)
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In addition to the Higgs, is there another missing piece in this puzzle?

$$(A_{FB}^{b} vs A_{LR}: 3.2\sigma)$$

Must continue improving precision of M_W, M_{top} ...

other precision measurements constrain Higgs, equivalent to $\delta M_W \sim 15$ MeV

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$\boldsymbol{A}_{_{\!\!\!\boldsymbol{FB}}}$ and $\boldsymbol{A}_{_{\!\!\!\boldsymbol{LR}}}$ Observables

• Asymmetries definable in electron-positron scattering sensitive to Weinberg mixing angle ϑ_W



- Higgs and Supersymmetry also contribute radiative corrections to ϑ_W via quantum loops
- A_{FB} is the angular (forward backward) asymmetry of the final state
- A_{LR} is the asymmetry in the total scattering probability for different polarizations of the initial state

Motivation II

 Separate fits for M_H using only leptonic and only hadronic measurements of asymmetries: marginal difference in preferred Higgs mass (from M. Chanowitz, February 2007 Seminar, Fermilab)

Possible explanations: Statistical fluctuation Systematic experimental bias

New physics contributions:

To raise M_{H} prediction of leptonic asymmetries:Minimal SuperSymmetric Standard ModelAltarelli et. al.4th family of fermionsOkun et. al.Opaque branesCarena et. al.

New physics in b-quark asymmetry requires large modification to Zbb vertex

Electroweak Symmetry Breaking

Searches for Higgs and SUSY particles at the LHC

Precision measurements and Electroweak Fits





Motivational Summary

• At the dawn of the LHC era, we don't know

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- Mechanism of electroweak symmetry breaking
- Solution to electroweak scale *vs* Planck scale hierarchy
- If there is new physics, there is a large range of models
- Precision electroweak measurements have provided much guidance
 - But some intriguing tension in electroweak fits already
- Will LHC discoveries decrease or increase this tension?
- Higher precision on electroweak observables makes LHC discoveries *even* more interesting:
 - Guide interpretation of what we see
 - Triangulate for what is not yet seen, e.g. Higgs, SUSY
 - M_w and m_{top} have become major players, and become more powerful as precision keeps improving

Precise W Boson Mass Measurement

Particle Detection



Quadrant of Collider Detector at Fermilab (CDF)



Collider Detector at Fermilab (CDF)



ATLAS Detector at LHC



Particle Tracking Chamber



Reconstruction of particle trajectories, calibration to $\sim 2 \ \mu m$ accuracy:

- A. Kotwal, H. Gerberich and C. Hays, NIM A506, 110 (2003)
- C. Hays et al, NIM A538, 249 (2005)

W Boson Production at the Tevatron



Initial state QCD radiation is O(10 GeV), measure as soft 'hadronic recoil' in calorimeter (calibrated to ~1%) Pollutes *W* mass information, fortunately $p_T(W) \ll M_W$

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Lepton p_T carries most of W mass

information, can be measured precisely (achieved 0.03%)

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Fitting for the W Boson Mass



Tracking Momentum Calibration

- Set using $J/\Psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ and $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu$ resonances
 - Prior measurements of their mass with high precision provide calibration source



Electromagnetic Calorimeter Calibration

• E/p peak from $W \rightarrow ev$ decays provides EM calorimeter calibration relative to the tracker



$Z \rightarrow ll$ Mass Cross-checks

• Z boson mass measurements using tracking and E/p-based calibrations, consistent with other precise measurements of Z boson mass = 91187 MeV



Transverse Mass Fit Uncertainties (MeV) (CDF, PRL 99:151801, 2007; Phys. Rev. D 77:112001, 2008)

	electrons	muons	common
W statistics	48	54	0
Lepton energy scale	30	17	17
Lepton resolution	9	3	-3
Recoil energy scale	9	9	9
Recoil energy resolution	7	7	7
Selection bias	3	1	0
Lepton removal	8	5	5
Backgrounds	8	9	0
production dynamics	3	3	3
Parton dist. Functions	11	11	11
QED rad. Corrections	11	12	11
Total systematic	39	27	26
Total	62	60	

Many sources of uncertainty are fractionally smaller than 10⁻³, approaching 10⁻⁴

W Boson Mass Measurements from Different Experiments



(D0 Run II: PRL 103:141801, 2009) (CDF Run II: PRL 99:151801, 2007; PRD 77:112001, 2008)

Improvement of M_w Uncertainty with Sample Statistics



Preliminary Studies of New Data at Fermilab



M_w Measurement at LHC

• Very high statistics samples of W and Z bosons

 - 10 fb⁻¹ at 14 TeV: 40 million W boson and 4 million Z boson candidates per decay channel per experiment

- Statistical uncertainty on W mass fit ~ 2 MeV
- Calibrating lepton energy response using the $Z \rightarrow ll$ mass resonance, best-case scenario of statistical limit ~ 5 MeV precision on calibrations
- Calibration of the hadronic calorimeter based on transverse momentum balance in $Z \rightarrow ll$ events also ~ 2 MeV statistical limit
- Total uncertainty on $M_{w} \sim 5$ MeV may be possible
- (A.V. Kotwal and J. Stark, Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci., vol. 58, Nov 2008)

Summary

- The *W* boson mass and top quark mass are very interesting parameters to measure with increasing precision
- W boson mass measurement from the Fermilab and LEP data:

 $- M_W = 80399 \pm 23 \text{ MeV}$

• Top quark mass measurement from the Tevatron data:

 $- M_{top} = 173.1 \pm 1.3 \text{ GeV}$

- Fermilab pushing towards $\delta M_W \sim 15$ MeV and $\delta M_{top} < 1$ GeV
- Will provide strong constraints on Higgs boson mass and SUSY theories
- Learning as we go: Fermilab \rightarrow LHC may produce δM_W ~ 5 MeV and δm_{top} ~ 0.5 GeV



How will this plot change after (if) LHC observes (I) the Higgs (ii) one or more SUSY particles (iii) something else ?

A possible Future Scenario



If Higgs is discovered with a large Higgs mass \rightarrow inconsistency with W mass \rightarrow additional new physics such as SUSY