### **Fruit Collider**

https://xkcd.com/1949

WHEN TWO APPLES COLLIDE, THEY CAN BRIEFLY FORM EXOTIC NEW FRUIT. PINEAPPLES WITH APPLE SKIN. POMEGRANATES FULL OF GRAPES. WATERMELON-SIZED PEACHES. THESE NORMALLY DECAY INTO A SHOWER OF FRUIT SALAD, BUT BY STUDYING THE DEBRIS, WE CAN LEARN WHAT WAS PRODUCED. THEN, THE HUNT IS ON FOR A STABLE FORM. 9. 8

HOW NEW TYPES OF FRUIT ARE DEVELOPED

# **Higgs boson**



#### **Fixion**



#### THE FIXION

A NEW PARTICLE THAT EXPLAINS EVERYTHING



https://xkcd.com/1621/



# **Identifying Particles using the CMS Detector**

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It does not make any difference how beautiful your guess is. It does not make any difference how smart you are, who made the guess, or what his name is – **if it disagrees with experiment it is wrong.** That is all there is to it. - Richard Feynman

#### So how do we check if "guesses" like the existence of the Higgs boson are correct? <- Today's talk

# Why do we use colliders?

- Einstein and Dirac taught us that  $E^2 = p^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4$
- If we have more initial energy then we have a chance to create particles of higher mass
- Large Hadron Collider = highest energy collider in the world
  - Just restarted at a center-of-mass energy of 13.6 TeV!





# **Colliders – a biased list**

• Push to bigger accelerators at higher energies

Collider	Operation	Туре	Energy	Major Discoveries
Super Proton Synchrotron (SPS)	1981-1991	proton- antiproton	540 GeV	W and Z bosons, 1983
Large Electron- Positron Collider	1989-2000	electron- positron	200 GeV	Precision studies of W and Z
Tevatron	1985-2011	proton- antiproton	2 TeV	Top quark, 1995
Large Hadron Collider	2009 - Present	proton- proton	13.6 TeV	Higgs boson, 2012
The next big collider	?	Probably electrons?	?	???

#### **Snowmass Process**

- Many many discussions within the US particle physics community about what the goals and priorities should be in the next decades
  - Including studies about future proposed colliders. For example, CLIC: Compact Linear Collider, 380 GeV – 3 TeV, 11 – 50 km, proposed at CERN
- Final workshop happening now in Seattle! <a href="https://seattlesnowmass2021.net/">https://seattlesnowmass2021.net/</a>
  - Not in Snowmass, not in 2021
- After Snowmass, a small panel of experts will draft a "P5" report summarizing priorities



# What do we actually "see" in a collision?

- Most particles **decay** into lighter particles
- Three categories of particles
  - Stable lives long enough we can "see" them interact with our detector
    - Truly stable: electron, proton, photons, neutrinos
    - Stable enough for our purposes: muons, neutrons
  - Intermediate decays slightly displaced from point of primary collision (can form a vertex)
  - Prompt decays too quickly to detect directly
- For most particles, what we see are the decay products



# $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow e^+e^- \ \mu^+\mu^- \ candidate \ event$

- We never see the Higgs directly, but we see what it decays into
- Our goal: identify & measure all stable particles to reconstruct what happened in a collision





#### **Compact Muon Solenoid**



#### **CMS Detector**



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### **Detector geometry**

Instead of (x,y,z), we use ( $p_T$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\phi$ ) to describe the position of a particle

- Transverse momentum  $p_T$  is the projection of the momentum vector in the transverse (xy) plane
- Angle  $\varphi$  within the xy plane -> almost all processes should be symmetric with respect to  $\varphi$
- Pseudorapidity η is 0 for particles produced in the xy plane and approaches ∞ for particles along the beampipe



### **Particle Detection**

• Different types of detectors for different particles



#### **CMS Reconstruction**

**Reconstruction**: identifying stable elementary particles by their signatures in the different sub-detectors of CMS

Interactive version: <a href="https://www.i2u2.org/elab/cms/graphics/CMS\_Slice\_elab.swf">https://www.i2u2.org/elab/cms/graphics/CMS\_Slice\_elab.swf</a>



# **Silicon Tracker**

- Precise measurement of the path of charged particles
- Silicon pixel detector: 124M channels, pixel size 100µm x 150µm
- Silicon strip detector: 10M channels, strips are 80-100µm wide, 10s of cm long
- Embedded in 3.8 T magnet
- Measuring curvature of particles lets us measure momentum



Half endcap disks for the upgraded CMS pixel detector, installed early 2017





#### **Electromagnetic Calorimeter (ECAL)**

- 75,848 lead tungstate crystals in the barrel, each 2.2 x 2.2 x 23 cm
- Electrons and photons will "shower" in the crystal, and we can count the total amount of energy deposited to get an accurate measurement of the initial particle's energy
- Not enough to stop hadrons and muons they keep traveling through







# Hadronic Calorimeter (HCAL)

- 36 barrel wedges, each weighing 26 tons
- Repeating layers of steel and tiles of plastic scintillator
  - Steel forces the hadrons to interact and start "showering"
  - Shower energy measured ("sampled") by the scintillator





### **Muon System**

- Outermost detector system muons pass through tracker, ECAL, and HCAL
- Drift tubes: muons ionize gas, electrons "drift" to anode wire
  - Timing can be used to reconstruct position of muon perpendicular to the wire
  - Cathode strip chambers, resistive plate chambers also used
- Muons also leave track in inner silicon tracker ("global" muon in e-lab)





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# **Observing quarks and gluons**

- Quarks and gluons are color-charged particles Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)
- Color-charged particles cannot be found individually; Quarks are confined in color neutral groups with other quarks
  - Baryons: 3 quarks (red+green+blue = color neutral)
  - Meson: 2 quarks (red + anti-red = color neutral)
- If a lone quark is produced in a collision, it will create a spray of hadrons known as a **jet** 
  - Clustering algorithms are used to merge energy from these hadrons back into a single jet





# **Tagging b-quarks**

- But what type of quark or gluon created the jet? For example, can we distinguish H→ bb events from the much more boring generic stuff→ two jet events?
- B quark decays have some unique features:
  - Intermediate lifetime, so they travel some distance before decaying
  - Decays often include leptons (b -> μX)
  - B quarks have high mass, so they decay into a larger number of charged particles







# **Undetectable particles and MET**

- Some particles like neutrinos v escape the detector without depositing energy
- Using momentum conservation, we can still "see" evidence of these invisible particles!
  - Zero net momentum in transverse plane before collision → Zero net momentum in transverse plane after collision
- "Missing" transverse energy **MET or**  $\vec{p}_T^{Miss} = -\sum \vec{p}_T$  for all visible particles in the event



e MET

Side view

# **Possible new particles at the LHC: "exotic" signatures**

- New particles like dark matter could have intermediate lifetimes and decay in the middle of the detector
- Leads to a wide range of interesting, challenging signatures to explore



# **Trigger System**

- ATLAS and CMS take data 24/7
- Collisions happen at 40 MHz
  - Too much data to keep everything!
- **Trigger** system selects 99.998% of events to throw away, 0.002% to keep
  - High stakes environment: If the trigger throws your event away, it's lost forever
  - Must decide quickly: protons collide every 25 ns
- Specialized hardware (FPGAs) reduces rate to 100 kHz
- Software algorithms further reduce rate to 1 kHz which is saved for later analysis



CMS control room

# **40 proton pileup**

- LHC actually collides "bunches" of protons at once
  - Each with 100 billion protons
- On average, 40 pp collisions occur per bunch crossing (pileup)
  - Most are boring, low-energy interactions
  - Have to disentangle the interesting collision from the 40 pileup interactions



# Conclusions

- CMS is a microscope that takes high-definition pictures of particle collisions
- Combining information from different subdetectors—tracker, ECAL, HCAL, muon system—lets us reconstruct particles that interact with the detectors—electrons, photons, hadrons, and muons
- After reconstructing "final state" particles, we can work backwards to learn about which unstable particles existed after the collision





# Backup

# **Large Hadron Collider**

- 17 miles in circumference
- World's largest and highest energy hadron collider
  - 13 TeV center of mass energy
  - Beats the previous record held by the Tevatron at Fermilab
  - 1232 dipole magnets at 8.3 T





# **High-Luminosity LHC**

- Integrated luminosity  $\mathcal{L}$  is the amount of data (*pp* collisions) collected
- $\mathcal{L} = 160 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  in Run 2; expected  $\mathcal{L} > 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  during the HL-LHC
- For a process with a cross section  $\sigma$  of 1 fb, we expect **1** event to be produced **per fb**<sup>-1</sup>



### **CMS Collaboration**

- Diverse institutions, nations, and skills
  - Engineers, computer scientists, technicians, scientists, postdocs, students...



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### **CMS Physics**



# **CMS Computing**

- Still ends up with lots (PB) of data
- Stored and analyzed on "The Grid", or the Worldwide LHC Computing Grid (WLCG) on computers from Lithuania to Nebraska, total 300k cores
- Many events: CMS needs to process > 1 billion events (simulated + real collisions) per month
  - Approximately 30 s/event (30x more in a decade!)

#### CMS Global Computing Grid



70+ sites, 200k+ CPU cores

# **Motivations for beyond SM physics**

- Hierarchy problem: one example of "fine-tuning"
  - Two extremely large values in the theory must cancel each other almost exactly
- Grand Unification theories
  - Maybe at high energies all the forces are unified into one
- Dark matter: what type of particle (if any) is it?





# Supersymmetry (SUSY)

- Doubles the number of elementary particles, but solves many issues with the SM
- For each fermion, there is a superpartner boson and vice versa (symmetry!)



# **Supersymmetry limits**

- Recall what Feynman said: "if it disagrees with experiment it is wrong"
- Limit setting (ie, looking for "nothing") forces us to develop new ideas



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# How do we do an analysis?

- Define which events are interesting for you (with help from theorists)
  - To look for a particular SUSY model, consider events with two photons plus missing transverse momentum (MET)
- Estimate how many of those events you would get from SM process
  - Use Monte Carlo simulation or similar-but-different events in data
- Use simulation to determine how many of those events you would get from SUSY
- Determine uncertainties, get other people in CMS to check your work
- Open the box! "Unblind" and see how many events CMS actually detected

Expected background events	15.6 ± 3	Expected background events	15.6 ± 3
Expected signal events	50 ± 5	Expected signal events	50 ± 5
Observed events	19	Observed events	63
Conclusion	SUSY's not home: set limits!	Conclusion	We found SUSY!

# **Checkpoint: Standard Model**



#### **Standard Model of Elementary Particles**

#### **Observations:**

- electron: 1897 by JJ Thomson
- muon: 1937 by Anderson & Neddermeyer
- electron neutrino: 1956 by Cowan & Reines
- muon neutrino: 1962@BNL
- up, down, strange quark: 1968@SLAC
- charm quark: 1974@SLAC, BNL
- tau lepton: 1975@SLAC
- bottom quark: 1977@FNAL
- gluon: 1979@DESY
- W and Z bosons: 1983@CERN
- top quark: 1995@FNAL
- tau neutrino: 2000@FNAL

# Last piece of the puzzle

#### **Standard Model of Elementary Particles**



• Last missing piece = Higgs boson



- Higgs mechanism was developed in the 1960's by Peter Higgs, Robert Brout, François Englert and others to explain how particles get their mass
- New particle predicted, the **Higgs boson**

#### https://cds.cern.ch/record/1638469/plots

# **Spontaneous symmetry breaking**

- Start with non-zero "vaccum expectation value" (vev) for the Higgs field  $\varphi$
- Higgs field "spontaneously" rolls to the minimum, breaking the symmetry
- 3 out of 4 degrees of freedom used to give mass to the W<sup>+</sup>, W<sup>-</sup>, Z<sup>0</sup> bosons
- Interaction with the Higgs field gives mass to the fermions
  - Higher mass = stronger interactions

#### Before symmetry breaking

- Higgs field  $\varphi$  at unstable maximum
- Higgs field has 4 degrees of freedom
- 4 massless bosons
- Unified electroweak force



#### After symmetry breaking

- $\phi$  at minimum
- Higgs field has 1 degree of freedom
- 3 massive gauge bosons + photon
- Separate EM and weak forces

# How a Higgs boson decays

- 1 in 10 billion collisions will contain a Higgs boson
- Each possible way to decay is called a decay channel
- Higher chance to decay into heavy fermions (b,  $\tau$ )

Higgs→b+b	(b quark and its antiquark)
Higgs $\rightarrow \tau^+ + \tau^-$	(τ lepton and its antiparticle)
Higgs $\rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$	(two photons, also called gammas)
$Higgs \rightarrow W^+ + W^-$	(W boson and its antiparticle)
Higgs $\rightarrow Z^0 + Z^0$	(Two Z bosons)

 Different strategies and tools are used to search for the Higgs in each of these channels



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#### **Time Evolution of Higgs Boson Data**



### **Results if no Higgs**



Ratio of Measurement to Standard Model Prediction

### **Results with Higgs**



Ratio of Measurement to Standard Model Prediction

### July 2012 Results



# July 4, 2012: Higgs Boson discovery

- Discovered by the ATLAS and CMS Collaborations at CERN
- Higgs  $\rightarrow$  two photons and Higgs  $\rightarrow$  ZZ  $\rightarrow$  4 leptons





### **Future electron-positron colliders**

- CLIC: Compact Linear Collider
  - 380 GeV 3 TeV, 11 50 km, hosted at CERN
- ILC: International Linear Collider,
  - 500 GeV 1 TeV, 30 50 km, hosted by Japan
- CEPC: Circular Electron Positron Collider
  - 240 GeV, 55 km, can be upgraded to 70 TeV pp collider, hosted by China



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- Higgs boson: 2012@CERN

#### **CMS Magnet**



3.8 T superconducting solenoid magnet, cooled using liquid helium



#### **The ATLAS Detector @ the LHC**

