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The Higgs boson discovery What has it taught us? Science & Technology Facilities Council Rutherford Appleton Laboratory

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But where was the Higgs?

 From 1973 to 2012 physicists used the model in the initial diagram

- But it contained a contradiction
- All the particles were supposed to be massless
 - But the quarks and charged leptons have mass
 - Strikingly, the W/Z bosons have mass while y and gluons are massless

Hints W/Z might be part of the solution?
Peter Higgs (et al.) had proposed a new field and new particle in 1964
What did he suggest?

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Peter Higgs wrote "Broken Symmetries and the masses of Gauge bosons" But theory said the W/Z bosons should be massless Like the photon They were not even discovered – but assumed to be heavy

BROKEN SYMMETRIES AND THE MASSES OF GAUGE BOSONS

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In a recent note1 it was shown that the Goldstone theorem,2 that Lorentz-covariant field theories in which spontaneous breakdown of symmetry under an internal Lie group occurs contain zero-mass particles, fails if and only if the conserved currents associated with the internal group are coupled to gauge fields. The purpose of the present note is to report that, as a consequence of this coupling, the spin-one quanta of some of the gauge fields acquire mass; the longitudinal degrees of freedom of these particles (which would be absent if their mass were zero) go over into the Goldstone bosons when the coupling tends to zero. This phenomenon is just the relativistic analog of the plasmon phenomenon to which Anderson³ has drawn attention: that the scalar zero-mass excitations of a superconducting neutral Fermi gas become longitudinal plasmon modes of finite mass when the gas is charged.

The simplest theory which exhibits this behavior is a gauge-invariant version of a model used by Goldstone² himself: Two real⁴ scalar fields φ_1, φ_2 and a real vector field A_{μ} interact through the Lagrangian density

$$L = -\frac{1}{2} (\nabla \varphi_1)^2 - \frac{1}{2} (\nabla \varphi_2)^2 - \frac{1}{2} (\nabla \varphi_2)^2 - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}, \quad (1)$$

where

$$\nabla_{\mu}\varphi_{1} = \partial_{\mu}\varphi_{1} - eA_{\mu}\varphi_{2},$$
$$\nabla_{\mu}\varphi_{2} = \partial_{\mu}\varphi_{2} + eA_{\mu}\varphi_{1},$$
$$F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}A_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}A_{\nu},$$

e is a dimensionless coupling constant, and the metric is taken as -+++. *L* is invariant under simultaneous gauge transformations of the first kind on $\varphi_1 \pm i\varphi_2$ and of the second kind on A_{μ} . Let us suppose that $V'(\varphi_0^2) = 0$, $V''(\varphi_0^2) > 0$; then spontaneous breakdown of U(1) symmetry occurs. Consider the equations [derived from (1) by treating $\Delta\varphi_1$, $\Delta\varphi_2$, and A_{μ} as small quantities] governing the propagation of small oscillations

about the "vacuum" solution $\varphi_1(x) = 0$, $\varphi_2(x) = \varphi_0$:

$$\partial^{\mu} \{\partial_{\mu} (\Delta \varphi_1) - e \varphi_0 A_{\mu}\} = 0, \qquad (2a)$$

$$\left\{\partial^2 - 4 \varphi_0^2 V''(\varphi_0^2)\right\} (\Delta \varphi_2) = 0,$$
 (2b)

$$\partial_{\nu}F^{\mu\nu} = e\varphi_0 \{\partial^{\mu}(\Delta\varphi_1) - e\varphi_0 A_{\mu}\}.$$
(2c)

Equation (2b) describes waves whose quanta have (bare) mass $2\varphi_0\{V''(\varphi_0^2)\}^{1/2}$; Eqs. (2a) and (2c) may be transformed, by the introduction of new variables

$$B_{\mu} = A_{\mu} - (e\varphi_{0})^{-1} \partial_{\mu} (\Delta \varphi_{1}),$$

$$G_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu} B_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu} B_{\mu} = F_{\mu\nu},$$
 (3)

into the form

$$\partial_{\mu}B^{\mu} = 0, \quad \partial_{\nu}G^{\mu\nu} + e^{2}\varphi_{0}^{2}B^{\mu} = 0.$$
 (4)

Equation (4) describes vector waves whose quanta have (bare) mass $e\varphi_0$. In the absence of the gauge field coupling (e = 0) the situation is quite different: Equations (2a) and (2c) describe zero-mass scalar and vector bosons, respectively. In passing, we note that the right-hand side of (2c) is just the linear approximation to the conserved current: It is linear in the vector potential, gauge invariance being maintained by the presence of the gradient term.⁵

When one considers theoretical models in which spontaneous breakdown of symmetry under a semisimple group occurs, one encounters a variety of possible situations corresponding to the various distinct irreducible representations to which the scalar fields may belong; the gauge field always belongs to the adjoint representation.6 The model of the most immediate interest is that in which the scalar fields form an octet under SU(3): Here one finds the possibility of two nonvanishing vacuum expectation values, which may be chosen to be the two Y = 0, $I_3 = 0$ members of the octet.⁷ There are two massive scalar bosons with just these quantum numbers; the remaining six components of the scalar octet combine with the corresponding components of the gauge-field octet to describe

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massive vector bosons. There are two $I = \frac{1}{2}$ vector doublets, degenerate in mass between $Y = \pm 1$ but with an electromagnetic mass splitting between $I_3 = \pm \frac{1}{2}$, and the $I_3 = \pm 1$ components of a Y=0, I=1 triplet whose mass is entirely electromagnetic. The two Y = 0, I = 0 gauge fields remain massless: This is associated with the residual unbroken symmetry under the Abelian group generated by Y and I_3 . It may be expected that when a further mechanism (presumably related to the weak interactions) is introduced in order to break Y conservation, one of these gauge fields will acquire mass, leaving the photon as the only massless vector particle. A detailed discussion of these questions will be presented elsewhere.

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,

it follows that <u>70</u> is the natural candidate for accommodating the higher meson-baryon resonances. Furthermore, since the $SU(3)\otimes SU(2)$ content is

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What is the Higgs field like?

•Think of a fish tank:





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Empty the tank

 The fish will call this an empty tank

 but it still has water in it





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What does the model say?

•The Higgs field is like the water the fish are in

- Without it everything would be different
- But we cannot get out
- It explain the mass of the W & Z bosons
 - The carriers of the weak nuclear force
- It also allows the maths to include masses for the fermions, the matter particles
 - They are proportional to their interaction with the Higgs boson.
 - Sort-of how much they bounce around as they travel
 - It does not predict these masses, we invent a 'coupling constant' for each one to get measured value



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What does the model predict?

- Massive W and Z bosons,
 - and the ratio of their masses is predicted
- A mass-less photon (and gluon)
- A massive spin-less Higgs boson
 - Interacting with all particles in proportion to their mass
 - But its mass unknown

Vacuum filled with a 'sea' of weak charge
The 'Higgs field'



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What we knew pre-LHC

- Massive W and Z bosons,
 - and the ratio of their masses is predicted

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LHC designed to test this

- •Vacuum filled with a 'sea' of weak charge
 - The 'Higgs field'
 - Caused by very odd interactions of Higgses??



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So how do we test this?



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How long is a light wave?

Light reveals the world around us by bouncing off it

But struggles to show details shorter than its wavelength.

The shorter the wavelength, the more energy the light caries

Or use something else small – a high energy particle





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Basics of an electron accelerator



Electrons 'boil off' hot wire like water boiling Negative electrons head for positive grid Some go through holes in the grid - their momentum keeps them going Steer them with magnets as they go



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Stanford Linear Accelerator

Two miles long - a row of accelerating cavities

- each kicks the electrons as they pass through
- Getting to 50 GeV (~50 times proton mass/energy)
 - More energy would need longer accelerator





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1980s Big experimental searches

Plan a 27 km tunnel, below the French-Swiss border Circular, so re-use accelerating cavities An e⁺e⁻ collider matter-antimatter The LEP accelerator ran from 1989 to 2000

Energy 90-208 GeV
 1 GeV≈1 proton
 My Ph.D: e⁺e⁻ → e⁺e⁻
 Now the LHC tunnel





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LEP Higgs search

LEP energy varied up to E_{com}=208 GeV

- Searching for $e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH$
- Needs enough energy to make both
- The Z mass is 91 GeV/c²
- So limited to (close to)

 $m_{H} \le E_{COM} - m_{Z}$



Higgsstrahlung

 Able to make the Higgs is mass below 115 GeV
 Would it be enough?
 Not quite: LEP closed in 2000 having shown m_H>114.4 GeV

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Meanwhile, Fermilab in the US

The Tevatron,
6km pp ring,
Found the top quark 1995
Searched for Higgs from 2000-2011
but only hints



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The energy was 2 TeV Well below the LHC And the data collection rate about 50 times less It just didn't make enough of them





The LHC

The 27km LEP tunnel reused for a pp collider Protons easy to get Designed for:

 7+7=14TeV collisions
 40MHz bunch crossing
 23 pp collisions/BX
 To give 300fb⁻¹
 4 sites for experiments







LHC: record energy!

Target collision energy for LHC was 2x7,000 GeV
 1 GeV is the energy required to make a proton
 Proton energy implies a time dilation of 7500

- They can get to Alpha Centauri in 5 hrs their time
- •Speed is 0.99999998c
 - They circle the 27km tunnel 11,000 times / sec
 - 1M passes in 100s
- Right: LHC HV cavities
 - 8/beam, give 2MV each pass.
 - Energy is 'easy' in a ring





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The real challenge?

Making the protons bend is the tough job

- Circular motion means constantly reversing direction
- 22000 times a second, to nearly the speed of light
- The centripetal force is huge

- The bigger the radius, the smaller the acceleration
- a=10¹⁷G (allowing for relativity)

How do we bend them so hard?

- A charged particle moving in a magnetic field feels a transverse force
- Given the tunnel circumference you can work out how strong the field must be: 8.3Tesla





LHC magnets

Required field is 8.3Tesla

- c/f Earth's field, 0.00003T at equator
- A fridge magnet is ~0.01T
- Record for permanent magnets (rare earth) is 5 Tesla
- So use electromagnets
- •A current in a wire generates a field.
 - But at a few cm distance ~1MA is needed for 8T
- Actually provided by
 - 12000 amps
 - With 80 turns
- Each magnet 15m long
 - 1232 of them in tunnel



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LHC magnet cooling

 Power lost in resistor is I²R
 A 1Ω resistor would have 12000²=144MW power in it
 And we have to make 20 km of these magnets

Superconductivity is the answer – 0 resistance



- Niobium-Titanium superconducts at low temperature
- LHC cools it to 1.9K or -271°C
- The only magnet power bill is for the cooling
- Cooling provided with liquid Helium
 - It's the only thing not a solid at these temperatures



27 km of

magnets

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The LHC



Photo CERN

8.3 Tesla magnets = 12000 Amps

All cooled to 1.9K





ATLAS cut-away





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ATLAS current tracker





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A RAL built silicon detector



- 12cm by 6cm
- 1536 readout strips
- 12 chips (front/back) read at 40MHz
- 1DVD per second data
- Built to a few µm
- Reports `hits' by particles to 20µm precision
- 700 used to tile a barrel around collision point

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Particle identification



- Reconstruct long-lived particles in the detector
 - Basically only a few types: photons(γ), e⁻, μ ⁻, p⁺, π ⁺, n, v
 - Can identify type by interaction pattern in the detector
 - Measure the momentum by bending them in a magnetic field

Electrons, muons and photons especially useful

• There are none in a proton so their presence is suggestive



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The LHC timeline

•LHC started in 2008

- And promptly had a major electrical fault
- •Run 1 was 2010 2012
 - At half design energy, to protect magnets
 - Generating 25fb⁻¹ of data
 - Enough to discover the Higgs
- Shutdown 1: 2013-14: Improve thousands of connections

•Run 2: 2015-18: Ran at 13 TeV (almost design)

With 139fb⁻¹ data

Made 10x the Higgs bosons of Run 1 for study
Run 3: 2021-24: Lots more data, 13.6 TeV
Phase 2: 2027? - 203?: 3000fb⁻¹, 14 TeV



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So, now LHC is running

•What do we see?

Standard Model Total Production Cross Section Measurements Status: March 2021



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pp collision with e⁺e⁻ pair

- pp bunches collide at 40
 MHz
 - ~62 pp collisions each time
- End view shows lots of particles (blue)
 - But two electrons give yellow energy deposits
- Side view we can see separate pp collisions
 Electrons, photons and muons stand out at LHC
 - Many measurements rely on them





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Higgs production

•Higgs interacts with mass

- Quarks in proton are light
- So typically make W,Z or t
 Higgs produced from them







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Higgs decay modes used

$\bullet H \rightarrow bb$

- Common but not distinctive $\bullet H \rightarrow WW$
 - $-WW \rightarrow quarks difficult$
 - WW \rightarrow lvlv: Good but miss v
- • $H \rightarrow gg$: no way!
- $\bullet H \to \tau \tau$
 - Tau's are complicated
- • $H \rightarrow ZZ$
 - Many Z decay modes..but..
 - ZZ → IIII: (I=e/µ) Golden mode 0.02%
- $\bullet H \to \gamma \gamma$
 - Rare, but distinctive 0.2%




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Here is an event with 2 muons

 Most particles are stopped at the green calorimeter •The two muons get right to the outside Muons are very penetrating They are heavy copies of electrons They both come from the same collision

Are they related?





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Hunting for mass bumps





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The Higgs discovery

•2011: I was convening the ATLAS Higgs group

• In December we had 3σ evidence (~1 in 300)

Very interesting, but not regarded as proof

- •January 2012: LHC annual planning meeting
 - 5fb⁻¹ more data would settle the question
 - LHC agreed to try to deliver by mid-summer
- Ist week July 2012: International HEP conference: ICHEP
- The experiments planned to release results at it
 Friday 29th June: secret CERN meeting
 - A dozen of us looked at the ATLAS and CMS results
 - Both have a 5σ bump at 125 GeV (1 in 2M chance)
 - But were we convinced to tell the world 'We have it'?
- Monday 2nd July
 - After a busy weekend we decided we had to announce



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4th July 2012: The CERN meeting

Major event at CERN

- Higgs and Englert were there
- As well as hundreds of journalists
- Auditorium queue started night before
- The discovery was made via IIII and yy
 - They give well-defined mass peaks
 - On small or moderate backgrounds
 - You can look at the plots and SEE something is there
 - Though the main analysis uses statistical
- •H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow IvIv followed within weeks
 - Higher rate but with two invisible neutrinos





 $H\to \gamma\gamma$

Not common decay 2 per 1000 Higgs But can be measured well Extract mass Photon is neutral, so no track But a cluster of energy in 'ECAL' But photons are light – lots of light comes out of collisions



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$H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma @ discovery$



Both experiments see significant peaks around 125

 Events are 'Weighted', giving more importance to those which seem likely to have a Higgs in them





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I⁺I⁻I⁺I⁻ Mass distribution



Only a handful of Higgs bosons
But in an even smaller background
Again, a peak at 125 GeV in both experiments





Discovery!

Announced in 2012 Fabiola Gianotti (my expt, ATLAS) and Joe Incandela (CMS)



2013 NOBEL PRIZE IN PHYSICS François Englert Peter W. Higgs





So..what next?

- •We had found a particle
 - It pretty clearly decayed to pairs of photons and Zs
- And fairly soon we had evidence for decay to Ws
 But was it the Higgs?
- •Needed to measure:
 - Its mass in the SM this is the only unknown
 - Its spin should be spinless
 - Its width...should be narrow.
 - Does it interact with matter in proportion to their mass?
 - Production properties: momentum distribution etc.
 - Pair production to check self-interaction





The Higgs mass

Measured in γγ and IIII in ATLAS and CMS ATLAS currently have best result:



 A lot of work understanding photon energy measurement

Precision better than 0.1%!





Spin

Look at angles distributions of the decay products
Many studies were made in 2012-2014

- Exclude spin 0, parity minus
- Exclude spin 1 completely
- Spin 2: a dozen models tested, all excluded
- Spin 3 or higher are ruled out by theory principles



Spin 0 seems to fit..but not quite a proof



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Production and decay

•By now we see (@5 σ) four production modes:

- Gluon fusion
- VBF
- WH+ZH
- tŦH

And 5 decay modes

- W+W-
- ZZ
- γγ
- τ⁺τ⁻
- bb
- +hints of Zγ and μμ
 All looks like SM!



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Do interactions scale with mass?

Yes! The 5 strongest have all been seen Note the W/Z couplings measured to 6% We are getting precise! Some evidence for $H \rightarrow \mu \mu$ Important, as 2nd generation particle





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The Higgs is special

The Higgs is the only fundamental scalar known

• There are huge fine-tuning problems (next) • The π^0 looked like a fundamental scalar

- Until we discovered quarks
- Brout-Englert-Higgs theory replaces a mass term (mφ²) by a two-term piece (-mφ²+φ⁴)
 - But it is adapted from Ginzburg-Landau superconductivity $F = F_n + \alpha |\psi|^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} |\psi|^4 + \frac{1}{2m} |(-i\hbar\nabla - 2e\mathbf{A})\psi|^2 + \frac{|\mathbf{B}|^2}{2\mu_0}$
 - Which is a phenomenological description of the cooper pair

•These examples hint the Higgs may be composite



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- $m_{obs}^2 = m_{bare}^2 + O(m_t/170 \Lambda)^2$
- $\bullet~But~m_{_{planck}}{\sim}10^{_{18}}~GeV-$ and does not know m_t





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- •This is so big because the Higgs is spin 0
 - Similar, smaller effects have been found in the Z
 - And effect of $Z \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow Z$ was used to predict m_H .
 - They work...so why don't they work for H?





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• But all need something with mass $O(m_{_{\rm H}})$

And it must interact with the H, so we can study it.

This gives a high motivation to LHC searches



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The Higgs field

The key property of the Higgs is the field
 This is not like an electromagnetic field

- Switch off the source and the EM field is gone
- The Higgs field is always there there is a 'standard density' of Higgs bosons per volume
- Higgs interaction strength with W/Z measures the curvature of this plot
 - In the region around minimum
- That came out right in the plot I just showed you
 - To about 6%

Spontaneous Symmetry breaking







The Higgs field II

- •Look at the same curve on different axes:
- •Ordinary matter obeys E=mc²; energy rises with density
- Higgs obeys the red curve
- The minimum energy is at a standard density ("1")
 Higgs have no quantum numbers so we can create



- or destroy Higgses to move to lowest point We have only measured this curve near 1
 - Elsewhere we have to trust theory...or not.
- So what?





We are all doomed



The equations describing the Higgs field depend on temperature
Heat it up and it becomes unstable
Will drop into its true minimum
It's now in a meta-stable state
When it falls, it will heat the neighbouring field..which will fall too.





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Doom postponed/cancelled

 If that happens anywhere in the Universe a ball of super-dense state will expand at the speed of light.

And destroy all it touches
 But: the expected lifetime

is >>>> the universe
Also, it seems likely the Big Bang would have set it off
So probably our equations miss something?



Wanted: Quantum gravity Dark Matter Dark energy Matter-antimatter asym Neutrino mass type



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The beginning of the Universe?

- The assumption is the Universe started empty
 With the Higgs density at zero
- Then rapidly slid down to the density we see
 But what if the curve is really the dotted one?
 - Looks just the same where we can measure it
 - But the early Universe would have sat in a false minimum until bumped out
- Rather like the doom-bubble
 Called a 'first order phase transition', like water boiling





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Why do we care?



- If these bubbles formed, the consequences could include:
 - Create the observed matter/antimatter asymmetry?
 - Or maybe create lots of small black holes
 - Which some people speculate might be dark matter
 - Will create gravitational waves
 - Potentially observable with gravity wave detectors



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Check: Higgs self-interaction

Need to produce 2 Higgs bosons

- The LHC can do it...but can we see it?
- This is 1000x rarer than making one Higgs
 - And we still need to recognize them
- •The best Higgs modes: $\gamma\gamma$ and ZZ \rightarrow IIII have BR of 0.002 and 0.0002 respectively
 - If we want HH → (γγ)(γγ) we expect one by 2035!!
 Not enough to measure
 - So we need to try to use more abundant modes • $HH \rightarrow yybb$, $HH \rightarrow bbbb$, $HH \rightarrow \tau\tau bb$ will all be used
- •This is a major motivator for Phase 2
 - 10 times more data
 - With upgrades to LHC and detectors



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New trackers for upgraded LHC

 The original spec was for 23 pp collisions at once
 HL-LHC may have 200
 Building new tracker to cope



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How to study it better?

- LHC found the Higgs, and Phase-II will learn more
 Fcc is a proposed 100km circumference ring
 - Being seriously designed
 - ee → ZH for clean precise measurements
 - pp at 100TeV will make many Higgs boson pairs
 - Study that potential properly.
- •There is a lot more to discover about the Higgs
 - And beyond it!







Conclusions

Maths has guided us to the Higgs boson

- The Brout-Englert-Higgs field is real
- The boson fits the model from 1964
- •We are advancing rapidly:
 - Many production and decay modes seen
- •We continue to probe deeper
 - Much more to come from LHC
 - Possible future accelerators now being designed
- We should expect surprises
 - The Higgs boson warns us of the end of the Universe
 - And may explain the matter-antimatter asymmetry that allows us to be here



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- It is this that means the Universe sits in a high Higgs density state





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 - e.g. $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma bb$ has 300 expected events
 - Tough due to backgrounds, but maybe

This is one of the major goals for the LHC by 2035

We do need to study this new aspect of the Universe




HL-LHC

There are many physics motivations for HL-LHC

Three seem to dominate to me

- Extended searches for new particles to higher energies
- Extended searches for new particles produced more rarely
- Accurate precision measurements
 - Exemplified by Higgs couplings



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HL-LHC Higgs couplings

- The projected precision with which Higgs boson couplings can be measured by ATLAS with 300 or 3000 fb⁻¹
- The solid bars excluded theory errors – hashed included them
- Hard to predict their size
 But 7 decays can be studied to 10-30%, and productions too
 - Sensitive to new physics

ATLAS Simulation Preliminary $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}: \left[\text{Ldt}=300 \text{ fb}^{-1} ; \right] \text{Ldt}=3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

H→γγ (comb.)	
$H \rightarrow ZZ$ (comb.)	
$H \rightarrow WW$ (comb.)	
$H \rightarrow Z\gamma$ (incl.)	
$H \rightarrow b\overline{b}$ (comb.)	
H→ττ (VBF-like)	
H→μμ (comb.)	
0 0.2 0.4	
$\Delta \mu / \mu$	



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 Other spin 0 things exist:
 - π⁰
 - Cooper pair

•But they are made of smaller pieces: qq, ee





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We have found a Higgs boson This confirms a 'Higgs Field' filling space Unlike light, you turn it off and it persists But it is much denser than lead... 1964 This is not like matter, not like a force Breaking Newton's 1730, description It is a Higgs field, something new. Now we need to understand it LHC is working excellently At 13TeV and higher collision rate • We will measure at least 7 decay modes And perhaps di-Higgs production. Great hopes of finding something else too Maybe the yy is it?





The complete theory:

•We have maths that describes particles and forces

$$\mathcal{L}_{GWS} = \sum_{f} (\bar{\Psi}_{f} (i\gamma^{\mu} \partial \mu - m_{f}) \Psi_{f} - eQ_{f} \bar{\Psi}_{f} \gamma^{\mu} \Psi_{f} A_{\mu}) +$$

$$\begin{split} &+ \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{i} (\bar{a}_{L}^{i} \gamma^{\mu} b_{L}^{i} W_{\mu}^{+} + \bar{b}_{L}^{i} \gamma^{\mu} a_{L}^{i} W_{\mu}^{-}) + \frac{g}{2c_{w}} \sum_{f} \bar{\Psi}_{f} \gamma^{\mu} (I_{f}^{3} - 2s_{w}^{2} Q_{f} - I_{f}^{3} \gamma_{5}) \Psi_{f} Z_{\mu} + \\ &- \frac{1}{4} |\partial_{\mu} A_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu} A_{\mu} - ie(W_{\mu}^{-} W_{\nu}^{+} - W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\nu}^{-})|^{2} - \frac{1}{2} |\partial_{\mu} W_{\nu}^{+} - \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}^{+} + \\ &- ie(W_{\mu}^{+} A_{\nu} - W_{\nu}^{+} A_{\mu}) + ig' c_{w} (W_{\mu}^{+} Z_{\nu} - W_{\nu}^{+} Z_{\mu}|^{2} + \\ &- \frac{1}{4} |\partial_{\mu} Z_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu} Z_{\mu} + ig' c_{w} (W_{\mu}^{-} W_{\nu}^{+} - W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\nu}^{-})|^{2} + \\ &- \frac{1}{2} M_{\eta}^{2} \eta^{2} - \frac{g M_{\eta}^{2}}{8M_{W}} \eta^{3} - \frac{g'^{2} M_{\eta}^{2}}{32M_{W}} \eta^{4} + |M_{W} W_{\mu}^{+} + \frac{g}{2} \eta W_{\mu}^{+}|^{2} + \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} |\partial_{\mu} \eta + iM_{Z} Z_{\mu} + \frac{ig}{2c_{w}} \eta Z_{\mu}|^{2} - \sum_{f} \frac{g}{2} \frac{m_{f}}{M_{W}} \bar{\Psi}_{f} \Psi_{f} \eta \end{split}$$

Dut we connect discuss that have



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The 'incident'

Interconnect between two dipoles had resistive joint Tens of nΩ?
 At 9KA, I²R gives watts of heat Wire went normal conducting..and vaporized



Punched hole from helium vessel to insulation vacuum, then to beam pipes Helium poured down the beam tubes Vacuum seals every 200m tried to block it 3 were forced open..pushed with their quadrupoles Took a year to clean, fix and install new safety systems



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Danger of Stored Power

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The magnetic energy in the fields is 11000MJ





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This American aircraft carrier at 32 knots