



Colliders

Creating and studying the heaviest particles

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Why a *Collider*?



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Need accelerators!

BIGGER ENERGIES -> BIGGER PARTICLES

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Bottom ("Beauty") quark discovered at Fermilab's E288 **Fixed Target** Experiment

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Limitations of fixed target



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 $\sqrt{2E_{beam}}m_{particle}$ Available energy (with some caveats)

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All of the energy in both beams can be used!

$$\sqrt{s} = E_{beam1} + E_{beam2}$$



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Circular v. Linear

Circular

- Recycle the beam
- Smaller footprint/more acceleration reps
- Need adjustable, strong magnets
- Synchrotron radiation

Linear

- One shot beam
- Fewer strong magnets
- No synchrotron radiation





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Hadron Colliders - natural for highest energies



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cooled to 1.9 K

Magnet tech ultimately limits energy reach! (in reasonable sized tunnels)



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the collision

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Actually colliding quarks + gluons inside the protons - each carry a fraction of the total energy Also collide bunches, so we get "pile-up" interactions from other particles in the bunch, but not interesting

> Pile-up interaction

Lots of other crap in the collision



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Primary interaction

The Large Hadron Collider





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A~13 TeV Collider

- Final stage of the CERN accelerator chain
 - Largest energy achievable in LEP tunnel (26.7 km in circumference)
- 2, 6.8 TeV proton beams
- 4 collision points
 - 2 high luminosity collision points w/ general purpose detectors
 - 2 specialized detectors
- 25 ns bunch spacing

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The CERN accelerator complex

General Purpose Experiments

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The CMS Experiment at the LHC

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Experiment at the LHC, CERN ecorded: 2024-Apr-05 16:59:31.089344 GM Event / J.S. 378981 / 127041135 / 138

Compact Muon Solenoid Experiment

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CMS at the LHC - Silicon Tracker

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CMS - Electromagnetic Calorimeter (ECAL)

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CMS - Hadron Calorimeter (HCAL)

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CMS at the LHC - Superconducting Solenoid

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CMS at the LHC - Muon System and Flux Return

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CMS at the LHC - Trigger

Stairs to counting room

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Reconstructing particles

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Measuring track radius gives a secondary measurement of momentum

> Combining complementary measurements improves resolution!

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Jets

Quarks hadronize, forming lots of bound states as they shower!

jets → collections of hadrons and other particles grouped to reconstruct a quark – they have all subsystems!

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Relativistic Kinematics

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beam!

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Final, sneaky object- Missing Transverse Momentum

- Momentum imbalance in the transverse plane of the detector
 - momentum carried away by invisible particles

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Physics at colliders

What makes a good scientific model

A good model must:

Collider physics

All of this can be made...

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Collider physics is probabilistic

All of this can be made...

... at any time!

Physics Menu

Standard Model Measurement

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Beyond the Standard Model

Search analysis – bare bones

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Future colliders

Future colliders - Lepton Machines

Future Circular Collider e+e- (FCCee)

Muon Collider

arXiv:2203.08310

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<u>2209.01318</u>

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Benefits of lepton colliders!

Future Trackers

LHC needs silicon

Radiation tolerance and occupancy!

Ultra-light for best resolution

Muon collider probably needs silicon

Radiation tolerance and occupancy!

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Summary

- Collider physics offers a wealth of possibilities
 - Varied and rich physics opportunities
 - SM Measurement
 - New physics reach
 - Diverse instrumentation requirements
 - High rate and radiation environments now
 - Precision environments in the future
- Collider design ultimately driven by outside factors
 - How much land can you buy
 - How strong of magnets can you build
 - How much energy can you afford
- Really at a turning point \rightarrow not sure what the future holds!

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back-up

