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HERA & LHC workshop

The LHCb experiment



LHCb is dedicated to the Search for New Physics in CP violation and Rare B decays



LHCb Collaboration: 14 countries, 47 institutions, ~600 people



The LHCb experiment



- LHCb experiment is designed for trigerring and high-precision measurement of b-hadron decays
- The detector covers the acceptance in forward region (15 300 mrad)
- Average luminosity = 2 x 10 cm = 0.2 nbarn s
- LHCb event size ~ 35 kByte
- Data rate ~ 70 MByte/s ~ 6.0 TByte/day

B production at the LHCb

In the forward region $(4.9 > \eta > 1.9)$: bb production correlated and sharply peaked forward-backward bb cross-section large (~500 µb) (but total $b \sim 100 \text{ mb}$) Luminosity $\mathcal{L}=2x10^{32}$ cm-²s-¹ 10¹² B hadrons in 10⁷ sec All species of B hadrons produced (B±, Bd, Bs, Bc, b-baryons) B's have large momentum <pB>acc ~ 80 GeV/c Mean flight path of B's ~7mm.



Tracking performance at LHCb



Momentum Resolution

Track fit: bi-directional Kalman fit
 Tracking efficiency >95%
 Ghost rate <7% p > 12 GeV



Vertex resolution
~10 μm in x,y; 50 μm in z

- Proper time resolution ~ 40 fs
- B Mass resolution ~ 15 MeV



SM Higgs production



Production cross section

→ in the 1.0-0.2 pb range for $gg \rightarrow H$ → in the 0.2-0.03 pb range for associated vector boson production

Search strategy:

- M_H <135 GeV associated production WH and ZH with H→bb decay Backgrounds: top, Wbb, Zbb...
- M_H >135 GeV gg →H production with decay to WW* Backgrounds: electroweak WW production...



Dominant Decays → bb for $M_H < 135 \text{ GeV}$ → WW* for $M_H > 135 \text{ GeV}$

Experimental Limits on Higgs Mass



->Direct searches at LEP M>114GeV at 95% C.L.

->Precision EW fits: M=126+73/-48 GeV M<-219 GeV at 95% C.L.

->Light Higgs favored

Direct searches:
→ SM Higgs
→ non-SM Higgs





SM Higgs at LHCb

30% SM Higgs events are in LHCb acceptance Higgs M = 125GeV ■ pp -> Z/W H || (v) bb (I in LHCb acceptance)



SM Higgs at LHCb



Search for events with:

One isolated, high pt lepton (from Z/W -> I v) Two jets with beauty inside (two b-jets from H)









- Events inside the LHCb acceptance
 - 15 > Θ > 300, Et>3GeV
- Lepton from Z or W is inside LHCb acceptance
- Jets reconstructed by Kt algorithm
- Tracks are forced in two jets, rest of tracks are in third jets





Number of reconstructed jets Multiplicity of jets





pt distributions for jets

Momentum distributions for jets







pt and p for jets with Ntr>5

pt and p for jets with 5>Ntr>10





Conclusion



The LHCb detector construction and installation is near completion

Starting commissioning phase, ready for pilot run in 2007 and physics data in 2008



Very close future:

Very many new and exciting physics results in flavour physics

And maybe even a few discoveries New Physics, Higgs, ????

A very busy time in the LHCb cavern

Muon Calorimeters RICH2 Trackers Magnet VELO

SPD/PS