Week 4 – February 15/17, 2022 LHC and Hadron Collider Physics

Objectives

- Review history of particle accelerators
- Identify design and choice of magnets in accelerators and detectors
- Understand current state of upgrades in CERN's long-term plan
- Identify limitations of lepton vs hadron colliders, linear vs circular

No HW due Today Feb 15th

HW due Thursday Feb 17th by start of class:

- Arrange paper assignment via email (see feedback from last week)
- Describe, in as much detail as you can, the path of a proton: from hydrogen gas bottle to collision. Send via email.

HW due Tuesday Feb 22nd:

• Prepare 5-min presentation of your paper, send slides/outline/notes ahead of time via email

Class Outline

- What's a particle?
 - Classical vs QM vs QFT
 - Rutherford's gamma rays, plus the alphas and the betas
- Overview of particle accelerators
 - o LINAC
 - Cyclotron -> Synchrotron
 - \circ LHC Complex
- Magnets of the LHC
 - o Bending
 - o Focusing
- Long-term plans at CERN