Theory Perspective ECFA {*higgs, top, electroweak*}-FACTORY



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Intro



General philosophy What should we keep as target and why

Possible studies Just my personal and partial view on a few concrete items

S Your input We want to get a map of ideas and interests in the community





"Ideology" for BSM

Meter stick of our understanding of Nature

In order to understand how well the SM describes observed phenomena **we need alternative theories to compare**.

These theories can, and better be, motivated alternatives which allow us for instance to solve some puzzle of the SM (e.g. why mass ν is so small), fix some apparent shortcoming (e.g. what is dark matter), or simply "measure" how well we can test our assumptions (e.g. the Higgs boson is point-like)

If we understand (even a little bit of) the inner workings of Nature we can formulate sensible options for what Nature can look like in places we have not looked for yet (e.g. at shorter distance=higher energy or more "exotic" searches).

You may have no idea of special relativity but, if you know Galilei's relativity you can motivate a Michelson-Morely experiment (1880s)



"Ideology" for BSM

Set the path to discovery

Thinking what Nature can be beyond the domain of the currently known has lead, and will always lead, to very suggestive scenarios for what Nature could be.

e.g. Nature can be SUSY at short distance





The prevalent view in past decades, including up to the time of operation of LHC, has been that such a grand scheme existed and we had probably figured out its coarse grained picture, *i.e.* we had to "just" work out the details^{*}.

For right or wrong, the current prevalent view is less sharp on the resemblance of the grand scheme and even on its very existence.

For sure we are (and we will not be for the foreseeable future) in the position to have a "forecast" for discovery as we had for the Higgs boson or it replacement new physics below the TeV



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BACK TO NORMAL "SCIENCE AS EXPLORATION"





Exploration at the HTE factory

Perspiciatis unde.





This does not mean "anything goes because we have no guidance anyway".



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We do have experience, we do have models, we do have QM/QFT rules.



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We have open issues in the SM on which we need to make progress!



We will investigate the landscape of new physics, striking a balance between the test of the specific answers to the open issues of the SM coming from the "grand picture" and the more exploratory approach.







Concrete directions to explore

signals of (light) new physics that may be hard to observe at LHC (reach at HTE-factory and projection for HL-LHC)

240M $V(h, h_2)$











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"standard" ϕ -strahlung



"fusions" (e.g. for ultralight ϕ)







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... and beyond















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possible flavor-specific signals*









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Concrete directions to explore



new physics linked to the top quark^{*} (including top quark properties, e.g. m_{top})









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••••• neutral - charged any charge

> disappearing track

* other WGs

non standard-signatures motivated by the exploratory spirit and also in some "grand picture" models









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Concrete directions to explore

collider

relation to other type of searches and in general to non-









your input

