Atoms of the Modern World

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Our Universe



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High Energy Particle Physics

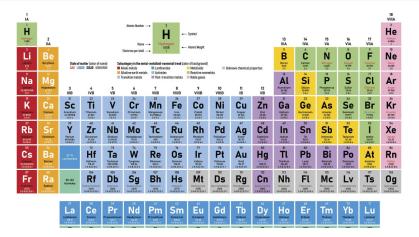
High energy particle physics or simply particle physics addresses the following key questions:

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- What is the Universe made of ?
- Are there fundamental building blocks?
- If so what are they?
- How do they interact?

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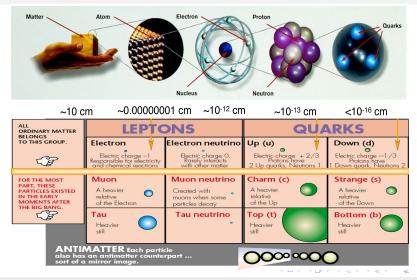
What is stuff made of?



 What ever we see in this world and universe is made of these elements (atoms)

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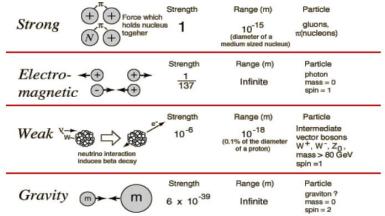
Fundamental Building Blocks of Matter



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Fundamental Forces of Nature

4 Fundamental Forces in the Universe

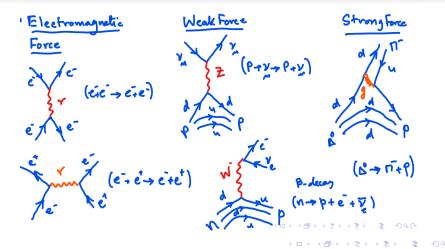


These forces generally considered manifestations of the same force.→ Unified.

http://hyperphysics.phy-astr.gsu.edu/hbase/forces/funfor.html#c4

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How Do Fundamental Particles Interact via Fundamental Forces?



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What are Hadrons?

Hadrons are composite particles made up of quarks (bound states of quarks and gluons). They are of following two types :

Baryons qqq and Antibaryons qqq Baryons are fermionic hadrons. There are about 120 types of baryons.								
Symbol	Name	Quark content	Electric charge	Mass GeV/c ²	Spin			
р	proton	uud	1	0.938	1/2			
p	anti- proton	ūūd	-1	0.938	1/2			
n	neutron	udd	0	0.940	1/2			
Λ	lambda	uds	0	1.116	1/2			
Ω-	omega	SSS	-1	1.672	3/2			

Mesons q q̈́ Mesons are bosonic hadrons. There are about 140 types of mesons.								
Symbol	Name	Quark content	Electric charge	Mass GeV/c ²	Spin			
π^+	pion	ud	+1	0.140	0			
K⁻	kaon	sū	-1	0.494	0			
$ ho^+$	rho	ud	+1	0.770	1			
B ⁰	B-zero	db	0	5.279	0			
η_{c}	eta-c	٢ī	0	2 .980	0			

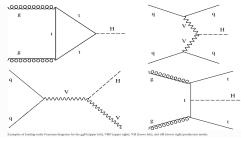
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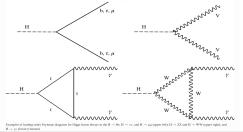
What is a Higgs Boson?

- After the big bang to about 10^{-12} s, all fundamental particles were massless.
- Since the universe was expanding, temperature dropped and phase transition took place.
- This phase transition broke electroweak symmetry and produced the Higgs field with non-zero average value everywhere in the universe.
- Leptons (except neutrinos), quarks, W^\pm and Z^0 get mass by interacting with the Higgs field.
- The excitation in the Higgs field is the Higgs boson.
- In fact all fundamental particles are excitation of their respective fields.

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Production and Decays of the Higgs Boson





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How to look for Fundamental Particles?

- Ordinary objects \rightarrow naked eye
- Relatively small objects \rightarrow magnifying glass
- For objects as small as $\sim 10^{-6} {\rm m}$ (bacteria etc.) \rightarrow microscope.
- For objects as small as $\sim 10^{-10} {\rm m}$ (atoms etc.) \rightarrow electron microscope.
- Recall the Planck energy relation $E = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$ and de Broglie wavelength of a matter particle $\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$.
- To see nuclei (~ 10^{-15} m) and fundamental particles (~ 10^{-18} m), we need to have comparable wavelength which implies high energy and hence the name of the subject high energy particle physics.

High Energy Particle Colliders

- High energy particle colliders are the microscopes for fundamental particles.
- When particles collide at high energies, the available energies can be converted into new particles due to $E=mc^2$.
- The largest and most powerful collider is the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) at European Laboratory for Nuclear Research (CERN).
- The LHC tunnel has a circumference of 27 km and worth more than \$13 billion.
- It consists of four detectors, ATLAS, CMS, ALICE and LHCb.
- It gives us glimpse of our universe at about $\sim 10^{-12} {\rm s}$ after the big bang and probe nature (particles) at the scale $\lesssim 10^{-18} {\rm m}.$

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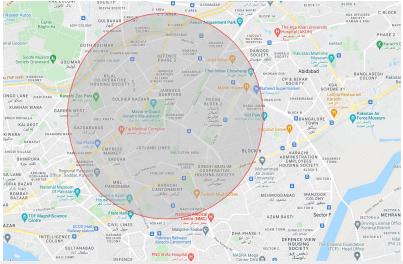
LHC Aerial View



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Comparison If LHC is in Karachi

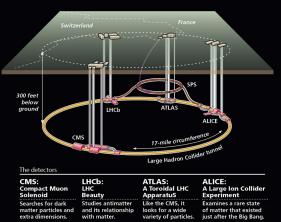


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Four LHC Detectors

FOUR MAIN EXPERIMENTS

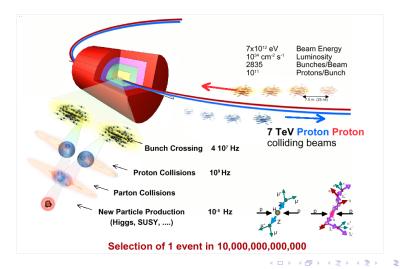
The LHC, on the French-Swiss border, studies what happens when particles emerge from the Super Proton Synchrotron (SPS) and collide at extremely high energies.



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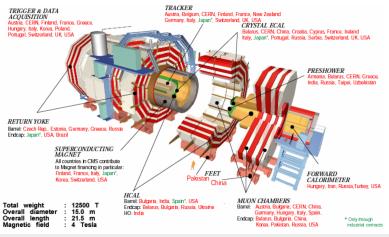
Particle Collision in a LHC Detector



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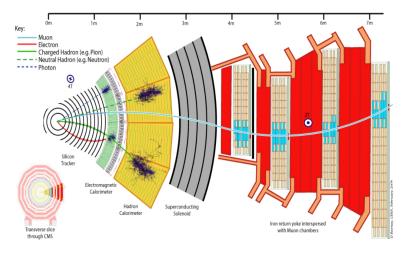
The Compact Muon Solenoid (CMS) Detector

The figure below summarizes the involvement in CMS by country. Details of each country can be found on the CMS Outreach web site.



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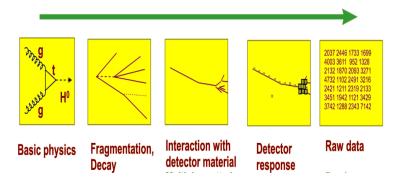
Inside a LHC Detector



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From Collision to Raw Data

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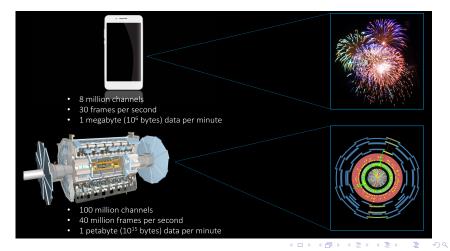
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Amount of Data Produce in Collisions

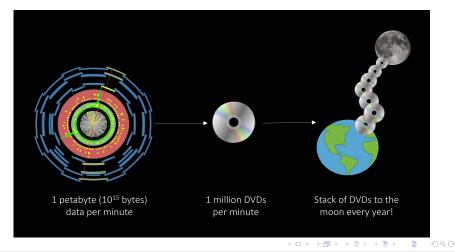
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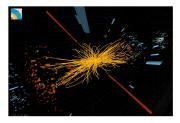
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From Raw data to Physics

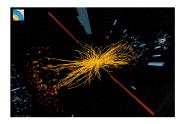
- The huge amount of data is hard to keep at one place.
- After some initial cuts, CERN distributes data to Grid Computing points located in various countries.
- At those Grid points data may further be shared with other institution for the analysis.
- After doing a lot of hard work of dedicated physicists:

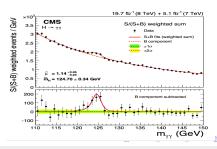


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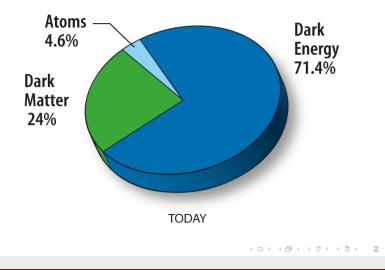


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Pakistan-CERN Collaboration

- National Center for Physics (NCP) at Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad became full member of CMS in 2000.
- NCP has been involved in (i) detector assembly and testing (ii)physics analysis (iii) Grid computing.
- It also helped in the development, testing and fabrication of 432 Resistive Plate Chambers (RPC) required for the CMS muon detector.
- Pakistan became associate member state of CERN in 2015.
- The Associate Membership of Pakistan opens a new era of cooperation that will strengthen the long-term partnership between CERN and the Pakistani scientific community.
- It allows Pakistani scientists to become members of the CERN staff, and to participate in CERN's training and career-development programmes.

Back to Physics: Dark Side of the Universe!



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Future Targets of the LHC

• The LHC (CMS) is going to restart after a maintenance/improvement shutdown in 2022. It may address the following issues:

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- One Higgs boson found could there be more?
- What is the Universe made of?
- Do we really live in only three dimensions?.
- How did matter form?
- What and where is antimatter?
- Are there more particles left to find?

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Any Questions?

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Thank you very much

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