

Frederik Van der Veken

frederik@cern.ch





Building Bricks

Physics at the Femtoscale







CERN

What are we made of?

2

What is the universe made of?





What are we made of?

2

What is the universe made of?

Why does everything just "work"?





What are we made of?

What is the universe made of?

Why does everything just "work"?



























S'Cool





Basic Bricks of the Universe



Credit: http://arxiv.org/abs/1311.1769



ricks of the Universe



Credit: http://arxiv.org/abs/1311.1769



ricks of the Universe

















The Standard Model

S'Cool





What is a particle?



S'Cool





Particles



Fundamental Forces





CERN

Elementary Particles

• Three types:

- Fermions: matter particles
- Bosons: force carriers ("exchange particles")
- Higgs: special guy
- Difference lies in spin

Elementary Particles

- Two types of matter particles:
 - Leptons: electrons, muons, taus, and neutrinos
 Quarks: don't exist alone, but combine to form hadrons (composite particles)
- Four fundamental forces:
 - Electromagnetic: exchanged by photon
 - Weak:
 - Strong:
 - Gravity:

exchanged by W+, W-, Z⁰ exchanged by gluons exchanged by graviton CERN

Elementary Particles

• Two types of matter particles: • Leptons: electrons, muons, taus, and neutrinos • Quarks: don't exist alone, but combine to form hadrons (composite particles)

Three very cool and quantisable and not 'totally ignorable' Four fundamental forces:

Gravity:

• Electromagnetic: exchanged by photon

exchanged by W+, W-, Z⁰ Weak: Strong:

exchanged by gluons

exchanged by graviton

CERN

S'Cool

Particle Properties



- Every force comes with an associated charge. If a certain particle does not have this charge, it will not interact with this force.
 - Electromagnetic charge
 - Weak hypercharge
 - Colour (strong force)
- Fermions come in 3 families, the difference between the families being the mass.



Elementary: The SM

S'Cool





http://physicsworld.com/blog/Baryons%20Fermilab.jpg





Interactions









Black Box Mechanism:

we know what we put in we measure what comes out use statistics to deduce what happened in between





Black Box Mechanism:

we know what we put in we measure what comes out use statistics to deduce what happened in between







Black Box Mechanism:

we know what we put in we measure what comes out use statistics to deduce what happened in between











Statistics!



Higgs found!





Statistics!



Higgs found!



Example process





Statistics!



Higgs found!



Example process



Black box:

Can be everything; we don't know (Higgs, photon, gluon,) Use **statistics** and **probability** to peek into process



It walks like a Higgs...







Inside the Black Box

Feynman diagrams





Inside the Black Box

Feynman diagrams

Notations

quark, lepton

antiquark, antilepton

photon

gluon

weak boson







g **mmm-**











Basic Bricks of the Universe



Credit: http://arxiv.org/abs/1311.1769

LAB Basic Bricks of the Universe

S'Cool



CERN

Credit: http://arxiv.org/abs/1311.1769





This is one of many open questions left to be explored...





Thank you for your attention

Questions?

=> frederik@cern.ch