LEP1: the Ascent of the Standard Model



Contribution to the celebration of Herwig Schopper's 90th birthday *John Ellis* (King's College London & CERN)

The Historical Context - I

- 1964 The Englert-Brout-Higgs mechanism
- 1967/8 Weinberg-Salam model
- 1971/2 Gauge theories renormalizable
- 1973 Neutral currents
- 1974 The November revolution
- 1975 The τ lepton
- e⁺e⁻ colliders pre-eminent: SPEAR, DORIS, ...
- Higher-energy machines under construction: PETRA, PEP

Think big!

• 1975/6 - Burt Richter on sabbatical at CERN

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VERY HIGH ENERGY ELECTRON-POSITRON COLLIDING BEAMS FOR THE STUDY OF WEAK INTERACTIONS

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We consider the design of very high energy electron-positron colliding-beam storage rings for use primarily as a tool for investigating the weak interactions. These devices annear to be a very powerful tool for determining the properties of these interactions. Experimental possibilities are described, a cost minimization technique is developed, and a model machine is designed to operate at centre-of-mass energies of up to 200 GeV. Costs are discussed, and problems delineated that must be solved before such a machine can be finally designed.

The Historical Context - II



- Before the discovery of the W and Z (1983)
- Should in any case be large cross-sections

II- <u>A MACHINE FOR e⁺e⁻ PHYSICS</u> <u>UP TO 200 GeV c.m. ENERGY (LEP)</u>

I - Introduction

The design of a large e⁺e⁻ storage ring is being studied by a small group of machine physicists, the LEP working group (K. Johnsen, Chairman, R. Billinge, P. Bramham, E. Jones, E. Keil, B. Richter (SLAC), W. Schnell) with the technical advice of other people at CERN and elsewhere. The following requirements are imposed on the machine by physics considerations :

- a maximum energy E of 100 GeV, - a luminosity L = 10^{32} cm⁻² s⁻¹ in each intersection region at 100 GeV, and a good luminosity down to about 40 GeV. The luminosity variation adopted in the design is L $\ge 10^{32}$ cm⁻² s⁻¹ from 50 to 100 GeV and L $\propto E^2$ below 50 GeV.

First LEP machine study 1976

First LEP Study Group

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First LEP Theory Studies

- Highlights:
- Precision Z studies
- W⁺W⁻ production
- Higgs search
- Heavy quarkonia
- Jet studies

III- THEORETICAL REMARKS

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 - 3.2 The hadronic continuum
 - 3.3 Unifying strong, weak and electromagnetic interactions.

Appendix

Comparison of e⁺e⁻ annihilation with hadron collisions for the production of heavy mass objects.

Z Cross-section & Asymmetries



W⁺W⁻ Production



Higgs Production

Then the Higgs production cross section is maximal for Vs = $m_z + \sqrt{2}m_H$ and the cross section for fig. 2.10a ¹³ is

$$\frac{\sigma(Z+H)}{\sigma_{pt}} \bigg|_{max} = \frac{3}{64} \left(\frac{m_z}{38 \text{GeV}} \right)^4 \frac{m_z}{2\sqrt{Z}m_H} \left(1 + v^2/a^2 \right) \simeq \frac{25 \text{ GeV}}{m_H} (2.66)$$

for $\sin^2 \theta_w \simeq 0.35$, $m_z \simeq 80$ GeV and v/a = -0.4, where v and a are the vector and axial Z_p couplings and σ_{pt} was defined in (2.5). If $m_{\mu}/m_z \simeq 1/10$, the Z contribution to ee $\rightarrow \mu\mu$ is about five times greater than the δ contribution, so

$$\frac{G(Z+H)}{G(\mu,\mu)}_{\text{total}} / \simeq 0.5$$
(2.67)

for $m_z \approx 80 \text{ GeV} \approx 10 \text{ m}_{\text{H}}$. Again because of the mass dependence of its couplings, a Higgs mesons of 8 GeV is expected to decay mostly into charmed particles and heavy leptons.

Presumably the most reasonable signal is

If the Z leptonic branching ratio is O (5) percent, this will be a few percent of the $\mu\mu$ signal at the optimal energy.

At higher energies the cross section is

$$\frac{G'(Z+H)}{G_{QED}(\mu^{\mu}\mu^{\mu})} = \frac{3}{64} \left(\frac{m_z}{38}\right)^4 \frac{m_z^2}{s-m_z^2} (1 + v^2/a^2) \simeq 0.2 \quad (2.69)$$

for $Vs \approx 200 \text{ GeV}$, $m_{\pi} = 80 \text{ GeV}$.

Below threshold for Z+H production the Higgs can be made via bremsstrahlung from a virtual Z, for example

$$\frac{\vec{\sigma} (H \mu \mu)}{\vec{\sigma} (e^+ e^- r_z^0 - \mu^+ \mu^-)} \approx \frac{\alpha}{457} \left(\frac{m_z}{38 \text{GeV}}\right)^2 \frac{m_z^2}{s} \left\{ \frac{(2m_z^2 - s)}{s} \ln(\frac{m_z}{m_z^2 - s}) - (\frac{m_z^2 - s}{m_z^2 - s}) - 1 \right\},$$
(2.71)

Z decay @ LEP 1

At resonance this becomes

$$\frac{\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{H},\mu,\mu)}{\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{e}^{+}\mathbf{e}^{-}\rightarrow\mathbf{Z}^{0}\rightarrow\mu^{+},\mu^{-})} \approx \frac{\mathcal{A}}{4\mathcal{R}} \left(\frac{\mathbf{m}_{z}}{38\text{GeV}}\right)^{2} \left\{ \ln\left(\frac{\mathbf{m}_{z}}{2\mathbf{m}_{H}}\right) - 1 \right\} \approx 1.5 \times 10^{-2}$$
peak
(2.72)

for m_z \simeq 80GeV \simeq 10m_H. The total fraction of Higgs production at resonance should be similar :

$$\frac{\Gamma(Z \rightarrow H + anything)}{\Gamma(Z \rightarrow anything)} \simeq \frac{\Gamma(Z \rightarrow H \mu)}{\Gamma(Z \rightarrow \mu)} \simeq 10^{-3}$$
(2.73)

but presumably the H μ μ channel is the most accessible experimentally. If the Z⁰- $\mu^+\mu^-$ branching ratio is O(10%) we get

$$\frac{\sigma \left(e^+e^- \rightarrow H \mu^+ \mu^-\right)}{\sigma \left(e^+e^- \rightarrow Z^0 \rightarrow all\right)} \Big|_{peak} \simeq 0 \ (10^{-4}).$$
(2.74)

Below the resonance, $m_H^2 \ll s \ll m_z^2$, the cross section becomes

$$\frac{(e^+e^- + H \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\sigma_{pt}} \approx \frac{\alpha}{24\pi} \frac{1}{(16)^2} \frac{s^3}{(38 \text{GeV})^6} . \qquad (2.75)$$

For models beyond the minimal Weinberg-Salam one, predictions may vary, but one might expect that because of the Higgs role in providing masses a correlation between mass and coupling may persist, at least for some of the Higgs scalars. There may also be charged Higgs scalars which would be produced electromagnetically (fig. 2.11); they might also identify themselves through a violation of μ -e universality **Bjorken' process**



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LOOKING BACK ON LES HOUCHES



Debating Zedology and the Higgs sector



Anticipating LEP 1 Measurements



Towards the LEP Experiments

- LEP experiments committee established 1982
- "Exam questions"
 - $-N_{v} \neq 4 @ 6 \sigma$
 - m_H ≤ 50 GeV
 - Toponium



The Yellow Report Road



Theorists + experimentalists + accelerator physicists working together to study physics opportunities





Trains: Currents through Magnets





The number of light neutrino species is determined to be 2.9840 ± 0.0082 , in agreement with the three observed generations of fundamental fermions.

Contributions of EW Measurements



Cross-Sections on/off Z Peak



'Neutrino' Counting

- One of the first LEP results: Oct. 1989
- Two techniques: Z peak measurements:
 - $-N_v = 2.9840 \pm 0.0082$
- Radiative return $- N_v = 2.92 \pm 0.05$
- Within SM:
 - determines # generations
- Beyond SM:
 - constrains SUSY, ...



Electroweak Measurements

- Unanticipated precision
- Unprecedented precision
- Establish validity of SM @ per-mille level

LEP

0.015

0.02

Insights into BSM



0.0171±0.0010

0.025 A^{0,1}

common: 0.0003

 $\gamma^2 / \text{DoF} = 3.9 / 3$



Electroweak Mixing Angle

- Many contributing electroweak measurements
- Tension between two highest-precision measurements
 - $-A_{FB}^{b}$, $A_{I}(SLD)$
- Important clue for grand unification?



Tau Polarization Measurements



Precision Tests of the Standard Model



Electroweak Radiative Corrections

- Attainable experimental precision greatly exceeded initial expectations
- Heroic effort by several groups to calculate leading (and most important nonleading radiative corrections
- Combination carried interpretation to unexpected level

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REPORTS OF THE WORKING GROUP ON PRECISION CALCULATIONS FOR THE Z RESONANCE

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Constraints on Top, Higgs Masses

Electroweak observables sensitive via quantum loop corrections:

$$m_W^2 \sin^2 \theta_W = m_Z^2 \cos^2 \theta_W \sin^2 \theta_W = \frac{\pi \alpha}{\sqrt{2} G_T} (1 + \Delta r)$$

Quadratic sensitivity to top:



Logarithmic sensitivity to m_µ



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Veltman

(Successful prediction!)

Predicting m_t before LEP

NEUTRAL CURRENTS, Mz AND mt

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We summarize and update constraints on m_t from present neutral current data. Soon precision measurements of M_z will give a tight correlation between $\sin^2 \vartheta_w$ and m_t . Combining this information with low-energy neutral current data will pin down $\sin^2 \vartheta_w$ and hence fix m_t with an error of $\sim \pm 35$ GeV. The central value of the top quark mass will be $m_t = 95$ GeV + 66(91.6 GeV - M_z).

 An accurate measurement of m_z would make possible the prediction of m_t

 $m_{\rm t} = 95 \,{\rm GeV} + 66(91.6 \,{\rm GeV} - M_{\rm Z})$



m_z(GeV)

Predicting m_t after the first highprecision measurement of m_z

Combination with low-energy data

JE, Fogli; Langacker; ...





Estimating the Higgs Mass







Uncertainty before the discovery of the top

Estimating the Higgs Mass

• After the top discovery:

JE, Fogli, Lisi



Solid indication that the Higgs is 'light'



LEP Physics Working Groups

- Uniting collaborations and interested theorists in combining data analyses:
 - Electroweak, Higgs,
 Supersymmetry, Exotica,
 QCD/γγ, Heavy flavour, Energy calibration
- Set standards for interpretation of LEP data



The LEP 1 legacy: Precision EW



The Nobel Prize in Physics 1999

The LEP 1 Legacy: 1999 Nobel Prize



Gerardus 't Hooft



 The contributions of 't Hooft and Veltman ... made it possible to compute quantum corrections to many processes and compare the results with experimental observations or to make predictions. For example, the mass of the top quark could be predicted, using high precision data from the accelerator LEP (Large Electron Positron) at the Laboratory CERN, Switzerland, several years before it was discovered, in 1995 at the Fermi National Laboratory in USA. ...Similarly, comparison of theoretical values of quantum corrections involving the Higgs Boson with precision measurements at LEP gives information on the mass of this as yet undiscovered particle. By Professor Cecilia Jarlskog Member of the Nobel Committee for Physics



- Determination of α_s
- Important contributions to global average from LEP 1 measurements: σ_{peak} , jets, τ decay
- $\alpha_s(m_z) = 0.1185 \pm 0.0006$
- Also 3-g coupling: C_A = 2.89 ± 0.21

The LEP 1 Legacy: SUSY GUTs?

- Precision EW and QCD measurements test GUTs
- Ordinary GUTs fail
- Data consistent with SUSY GUTs
- But no SUSY!



The LEP (& Tevatron) Legacy: m_H



The LEP 1 Legacy: 1944 papers, 57855 Citations

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The LEP Legacy

- Establishment of the Standard Model
- Hints/constraints on BSM physics
- Collaborations of hundreds of physicists can work
- Collaborations can work with each other
- Theorists, experimenters and accelerator physicists can work together
- Groundwork laid for the LHC

Happy Birthday!

