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BSM Searches

at ATLAS and CMS

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Pursuing big questions



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The LHC and the Energy Frontier



Broad program of precise measurements of SM

processes and parameters.

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Outline

- Introduction
 - LHC Run 1 recap and Run 2 status
 - Indirect searches (precision measurements)
- Overview of direct searches (*)
 - New physics in the Higgs sector
 - Supersymmetry searches
 - Exotics searches (vector-like quarks, dark matter, new heavy resonances, long-lived particles)
- Summary and outlook

LHC Run 1



ATLAS and CMS experiments





- Multipurpose detectors:
 - Central tracking in solenoidal B field
 - Electromagnetic and hadronic calorimeters
 - Muon detectors
- Excellent performance up to the highest instantaneous luminosities delivered by the LHC.
 ~93% data-taking efficiency.



LHC Run 1







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LHC Run 1 recap

- No clear indications of physics beyond the SM.
 - → useful constraints on the parameter space of many NP models.
- Moving forward need to continue to:
 - cast as wide as possible net, even with some theoretical guidance.
 - cover broad phase spaces: many detector signatures, large range of masses, large span in production rates,...



June 3, 2015: Run 2 starts!







Outstanding performance!



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• ~47 fb⁻¹ recorded



Challenge: average pileup in 2017 of ~38 interactions per bunch crossing

Highest inst. luminosity: 5x10³³ cm⁻²s⁻¹

- Record inst luminosity of ~1.4x10³⁴ cm⁻²s⁻¹.
- Record daily delivered luminosity of ~ 0.6 fb⁻¹.

- Collisions restarted on May 23, 2017.
- Record inst luminosity of ~2.1x10³⁴ cm⁻²s⁻¹.
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algorithms are able to handle pileup

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- Record inst luminosity of $\sim 2.1 \times 10^{34}$ cm⁻²s⁻¹.
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Standard Model measurements



Stunning achievement, both from experiment and theory. Also a necessary step to confidently search for NP.

Precision electroweak measurements

Play a crucial as SM consistency tests and as indirect probes of NP.



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Flavor-changing neutral-current top decays



Higgs boson properties measurements

Program of precision Higgs measurements in full swing!

- Mass
- Quantum numbers (spin, CP)
- Coupling properties
- Differential cross sections
- Off-shell couplings and width

35.9 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)

Obs. - bkc

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m_{rr} (GeV)

250

m_{ττ} (GeV)

0 50 100 150 200 250 300

Boosted: $\tau_h \tau_h$, $\mu \tau_h$, $e \tau_h$, $e \mu$

0-jet: τ_hτ_h

VBF: $\tau_h \tau_h$

200

150

Interferometry

 $H \rightarrow \tau \tau$: Observation

CMS

Observed

Z→T

W+iet

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H→TT (u=1.09

QCD multije Others

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arXiv:1708.00373

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600

400

200

S/(S+B)







Direct searches for new phenomena



In some cases already exceed Run 1 sensitivity with <2 fb⁻¹ at 13 TeV!

Explosion of the Higgs physics landscape!

Since the discovery of the Higgs boson, an entire new field has emerged.



- Portal to hidden sectors
- Portal to BSM physics with H^o in the final state (VH^o, H^oH^o)

Rare Higgs boson decays



$H \rightarrow \rho \gamma \& H \rightarrow \phi \gamma$

- Sensitive to s-/ud-quark Yukawa couplings.
- Reconstruct $\rho\gamma \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\gamma$ and $\phi\gamma \rightarrow K^+K^-\gamma$. Dedicated triggers, data-driven background.

 $B (H \rightarrow \phi \gamma) < 4.8 \times 10^{-4}$ $B (H \rightarrow \rho \gamma) < 8.8 \times 10^{-4}$

Η→μτ, **ε**τ

- Lepton-flavour-violating decays also very rare in the SM.
- Use BDT discriminant and multiple event • categories.

 $B(H \rightarrow \mu \tau) < 0.25\% B(H \rightarrow e \tau) < 0.61\%$



No significant excess observed

Exotic Higgs boson decays



No significant excess observed

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Invisible Higgs boson decays



Implications from Higgs boson discovery



 "Natural" solutions by postulating new states at ~1 TeV curing Higgs boson quantum instabilities (SUSY, new strong dynamics) or that fundamental Planck mass at the electroweak scale (extra dimensions).

→ Precision Higgs couplings and direct searches for new states are complementary.

- However, no "no loose" theorem anymore. [Cosmological relaxation of the EW scale?]
- Searches relatively agnostic but do often focus on models that address naturalness problem and/or have a dark matter candidate.

Supersymmetry

• Many features make it one of the strongest candidates to extend the SM:

- Solves the hierarchy problem
- Can provide a dark-matter candidate: if R-parity is conserved, lightest SUSY particle (LSP, neutralino) is stable
- Predicts gauge coupling unification
- ...
- In typical "Natural SUSY" scenarios the 3rd generation squarks (stop/sbottom) and the gluino can be relatively light (also the Higgsinos).



Global symmetry between fermions & bosons: all SM particles have SUSY partners





Q|fermion> = |boson> Q|boson> = |fermion> $s_{SUSY} = s_{SM} - 1/2$ R = (-1)^{2s}(-1)^{3B}(-1)^L

Classification of SUSY searches



Large increase in cross section from 8 to 13 TeV!

Inclusive searches for squarks/gluinos

- Large cross sections
- Rich final states in the case of gg
- Dedicated searches for lightest stop/sbottom
 - Moderate cross sections
 - Final states closer to SM background
- Searches for charginos/neutralinos
 - Low cross sections
 - Multilepton final states with low SM background
- Searches for long-lived particles and RPV SUSY



Natural SUSY: Gluino

- Strong production of gluino pairs one of the most promising search channels with early Run 2 data: $\sigma(13 \text{ TeV})/\sigma(8 \text{ TeV}) \sim 46$ for gluino mass of 1.5 TeV.
- Gluinos (and 1st/2nd generation squarks) often targeted by so-called "inclusive searches".
 - R-parity conserving (RPC) scenarios → LSP weakly interacting
- Typical signature: jets, E_T^{miss} , w/ or w/o leptons, w/ or w/o b-jets.



Natural SUSY: Gluino

Many search regions needed to cover a large number of possible decay chains.
 For example: multi b-jets+E_T^{miss}



Natural SUSY: Gluino

No significant excess observed



Highest mass limits for gluino reaching ~2 TeV (compared to ~1.3 TeV in Run 1)

Natural SUSY: 3rd generation squarks



- Many sophisticated analyses targeting bottom and top squarks.
- Experimentally, can be quite challenging:
 - low production rate,
 - several possible decay modes, depending on SUSY mass spectrum.
- Dedicated searches employing a large number of signal regions based on boosted hadronic resonances and other variables.



Natural SUSY: 3rd generation squarks

No significant excess observed



BUT beware of simplistic assumptions in simplified models!

Natural SUSY: Electroweak production

- If colored sparticles have mass above 3-4 TeV scale, the EW sector could be the only one accessible.
 - Very low production rate, large dataset needed.
- Exploit multi-lepton nature of final state events
 - Depends on chargino/slepton/neutralino mass hierarchy.
- Explore a variety of signal regions. For example:





Total of 158 regions (incl 2, 3, 4 leptons, all types)

No significant excess observed

Natural SUSY: Electroweak production

- Powerful exclusions in decays via sleptons
 - Mass limits on selectron/smuon up to 500 GeV not vet on staus!
- If kinematically forbidden, decays via WZ or WH (on-shell or off-shell in compressed scenarios)



Natural Exotics: Vector-like quarks



- Vector-like top and bottom quarks naturally appear in composite Higgs and extra-dimensional models.
- Very rich phenomenology depending on the heavy quark mass and quantum numbers.
- Run 1 excluded masses below ~750 GeV.





Great potential for discovery in Run 2! 42

Natural Exotics: Vector-like quarks

• Broad program of searches for pair production excludes masses below ~1 TeV over the whole branching ratio plane (up to 1.3 TeV at BR=100%).



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- Dark matter can also be produced at colliders.
- Being searched in association with SM particles, giving signatures of $E_T^{miss}+X$

(X can be pretty much anything: q, g, V, h, top(s), b(s)) → "Mono-mania"



- Common "language" established with simplified models: *ATLAS-CMS Dark Matter (DM) Forum (arXiv:1507.00966)*
 - DM particle is a Dirac fermion χ
 - Mediator (med) exchanged in the s-channel
 - 5 parameters: M_{med} , m_{χ} , g_q , g_{χ} , Γ_{med}
 - Physics objects (X) produced in ISR (or radiated in case of h)
 - EFT models kept as benchmark (but with clear limitations and validity bounds)



Dark matter: Mono-jet





90% CL limits

Axial-Vector Mediator

Dirac Fermion DM

 $g_{q} = 0.25, g_{y} = 1.0$

10³

 10^{4}

m_χ [GeV]

46

10²

10

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Mono-jet – dijet resonances complementarity

If the mediator is produced by qq
 , it will also decay into qq
 → probed by dijet resonance searches!



Dark matter: mono-W/Z and mono-Higgs

- Mono-W/Z: provides information on the couplings to u- and dquarks, as well as on their relative sign. Most-sensitive search: boosted hadronicallydecaying W/Z + E_T^{miss}
- Mono-Higgs: searches consider the H→bb, γγ decay modes.

Several benchmark scenarios considered. E.g.: Z'-2HDM





Dark matter: DM+heavy-flavor

- Dark matter produced in association with bottom/top particularly sensitive to (pseudo-)scalar interactions: $coupling \propto m_a$
- Also searches for a single top-quark+ E_T^{miss} (e.g. via FCNC).

Dijet Event

Resonances in high-p_T multijet final states

Early Run 2 searches focused on processes with the highest cross sections.

- Dijet resonances and angular distributions •
- Photon+jet resonances •
- High- p_{T} multijets and lepton+jets produced ٠ e.g. by strong gravity

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CMS-PAS-EXO-16-056

CMS Preliminary

36 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)

Data

----- aa (2.0 TeV)

qq (4.0 TeV)

ag (6.0 TeV)

— Fit

ATLAS

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$95\%~{\rm CL}$ exclusion limit	
Observed	Expected
$8.9 { m TeV}$	$8.9~{\rm TeV}$
$3.6 { m ~TeV}$	$3.7~{\rm TeV}$
$3.4 { m TeV}$ $3.77 { m TeV} - 3.85 { m TeV}$	$3.6 { m TeV}$
$6.0 \mathrm{TeV}$	$5.8~{ m TeV}$
$2.1 { m ~TeV}$	$2.1 { m ~TeV}$
$2.9 { m TeV}$	$3.3~{\rm TeV}$
$21.8~{\rm TeV}$	$28.3~{\rm TeV}$
$\begin{array}{c} 13.1 \mathrm{TeV} \\ 17.4 \mathrm{TeV} - 29.5 \mathrm{TeV} \end{array}$	$15.0 { m TeV}$
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Resonances in high-p_T multijet final states

_____Z'

Also searches for resonances decaying into 3rd generation quarks. ٠

95% CL exclusions: TC2 Z' (Γ/M=1%) : 0.6<m_{z'}<2.5 TeV KK gluon: 0.5<m_{qKK}<3.3 TeV W'_R: m_{W'}<3.6 TeV

Low-mass dijet resonances

• Sensitivity to light dijet resonances statistically limited due to jet trigger prescales.

- Several strategies developed:
 - Trigger-level analysis: use trigger-level jets and partially-reconstructed events
 (challenging jet reconstruction and calibration; no inner detector information).
 - Associated production with a high-p_T photon or jet from initial state radiation.

→ Also use jet substructure techniques!

35.9 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)

CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN Data recorded: 2017-Jun-27 15:39:36.789504 GMT Run / Event / LS: 297599 / 134277310 / 86

Dimuon Event m(µµ) = 2.4 TeV

Highest-mass Run 1 events: 1.8 TeV (ee), 1.9 TeV (μμ)

Resonances in leptonic final states

Searches for resonant production of $Z' \rightarrow II$, $I_{\tau_{had}}$ (I=e, μ), $\tau_{had}\tau_{had}$ and $W' \rightarrow e_{V}$, μ_{V} .

95% CL exclusions: W'_{SSM}: m_{Z'}<5.1 TeV (Run 1: 3.2 TeV)

No excess found

Diboson resonances (*γγ***)**

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12.9 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)

Data
 Fit model

EBEE

12.9 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)

- Fit model

Data

EBEB

- Resonance searches with interpretations for:
 - Spin 0 (extended Higgs sectors)
 - Spin 2 (extra dimensions)

Diboson resonances (WW, WZ, ZZ)

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Diboson resonances (Wh, Zh)

• Several searches for $X \rightarrow Vh$ (X=A or V') with $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ performed.

Diboson resonances (hh)

- Broad program of searches for $X \rightarrow hh$ (X=spin 0 or 2).
- Exploiting $b\bar{b}+X$ (X= $\gamma\gamma$, $\tau\tau$, VV and $b\bar{b}$) final states.
 - For X→hh→bbbb consider resolved and boosted regimes.
- Sensitivity dominated by $b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ and $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$ channels.

m_{2J} [GeV]

Searches for long-lived particles

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Avoiding holes in sensitivity

• Crucial to continue to develop search strategies to fill holes in sensitivity, including adding new uncovered signatures.

LHC beyond Run 2

Status is good!

- The LHC Run 2 is in full swing.
- The LHC machine and the ATLAS and CMS detectors continue to show a spectacular performance.
- A host of new NP searches have been released with the full 2015+2016 dataset corresponding to ~36 fb⁻¹ at √s=13 TeV.

https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic

http://cms.web.cern.ch/news/cms-physics-results

No significant excess observed yet.

Stringent constraints set on a broad range of NP scenarios.

Prospects are even better!!

- Some old and new excesses begging for more data.
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Looking forward to new exciting discoveries!