8.882 LHC Physics Experimental Methods and Measurements

Detectors: Electrons and Particle Id [Lecture 12, March 16, 2009]

Organization

- Project 1: Charged Track Multiplicity
- no hand-ins as of yet

Project 2: Upsilon Cross Section

- all material is on the Web
- is due April 9 (in 3.3 weeks)
- please, try to find a partner if you do not yet have one

CP Travel plans

- at MIT in the flesh Wednesday/Friday
- April 8 May 13 as well: find alternative time for Apr 8

Lecture Outline

- Electron Identification
- electromagnetic calorimetry

Particle identification systems

- \cdot dE/dx in drift chamber
- TOF Time-Of-Flight detectors
- RICH Ring Imaging CHerenkov detectors
- DIRC Detection of Internal Reflected Cherenkov light

Why Muons and Electrons? Leptons

- rare in *pp* (<1% of the tracks), often related to very interesting physics processes
- taus special case ($m = 1.777$ GeV, $cr = 87.11$ μ m)
	- decay well before they reach the silicon detector, lifetime more then a factor of five smaller then for *B* mesons
	- can also produce hadrons in decay, more difficult to identify
	- always involve neutrino in decay (incomplete reconstruction)
- muons have very characteristic signature
	- penetrate the calorimetry, are detected in the muon chambers
	- leave minimally ionizing signature
- electrons have very characteristic signature
	- maximal ionization in tracking system
	- get absorbed completely in ECAL no signature in the HCAL
	- shower shape in ECAL is short and broad

Why Electrons/Photons at the LHC?

- Physics opportunities
- very low Higgs masses (below 130 GeV): *H* → *γγ*
- most of other range: $H \rightarrow ZZ(^{*}) \rightarrow e^+e^- (\mu^+\mu^-/e^+e^-)$
- *Z'* decaying to e^+e^- final state, masses as high as possible Requirements for the ECAL at LHC
- excellent resolution over very large dynamic range
	- CMS decided for crystal calorimeter
	- high light output
- capable of dealing with dense particle distributions
	- dense material to quickly contain shower
	- fine granularity
- capable to resist high radiation, maintaining performance
	- material research necessary

Particle Identification

Electron Signature: track + all energy in ECAL

- backgrounds: photons plus random track
- neutral pion: decays to 2 photons (shower shape)

Compare Electron and Muon Id

Muon identification

- by definition background is quite low
- few particles arrive in muon system: gold plated

Electron/Photon identification

- very large number of particles
- tracking essential (reject/select photons)
- electromagnetic calorimetry essential (reject neutral pions)
- hadron calorimetry essential (reject other hadrons)
- intrinsically more complex then muons but still very important

Higgs Mass Drives ECAL Design

Electroweak data

 \cdot Higgs < 144 GeV

Direct searches

 \cdot Higgs > 114 GeV

ECAL Performance

Resolutions

• ECAL benchmark: mass resolution of *H* → *γγ* process

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\frac{\sigma_M}{M} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\sigma_{E_1}}{E_1} \oplus \frac{\sigma_{E_2}}{E_2} \oplus \frac{\sigma_{\theta}}{\tan \theta/2} \right) \text{ with } \oplus \text{ = quadrant.sum}
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- Components: energy and angular resolutions
- angular resolution can be achieved without too much problems: more about this later
- energy resolution more complex

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\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus b \oplus \frac{\sigma_N}{E}\right)
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- *a* stochastic proportionality factor *b* – constant term (calibration, non-uniformities etc.)
- *σN* – noise equivalent (electronics, pileup energy)
- a <10% difficult with sampling (pushes precise geometry)
- a=2% with active calorimeters (requires *b*<0.5%, tricky)

Higgs to gamma gamma

the narrower the mass peak the cleaner to separate

Electromagnetic Calorimeters

Sampling calorimeters

• Atlas: liquid Argon, accordion geometry

Cloud chamber with lead absorbers

Fully active calorimeters

- CMS: PbWO₄ crystal calorimeter
- more sensitive to radiation
- online laser monitoring system
- also called homogeneous

ECAL Layout in CMS

CMS choice

- crystal calorimeter: PbWO₄ (compact, fast, doable)
- PbWO₄ is optimal material, next page
- endcap has additional pre-shower: reject neutral pions as photon background

Crystal Comparison

Table 1.1: Comparison of properties of various crystals

Moliere radius R_M = 0.265 X ₀ (Z+1.2)

• 95% transverse shower contained in 2 R_{M}

Energy Loss in Trackers

Bethe Bloch

- depends on *β* only
- given *dE/dx* and momentum *p* determines and *β* thus the mass, *m*
- after mass correction: universal curve
- How to measure?
- pulse height in tracker
- lots of corrections ...

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\frac{dE}{dx} = -4\pi N_A r_e^2 c^2 z^2 \frac{Z}{A} \frac{1}{\beta^2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \gamma^2 \beta^2}{l^2} T^{max} - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta}{2} \right]
$$

C.Paus, LHC Physics: Detection and Particle Id

CDF: Time-Of-Flight Detector

Characteristics of the system

Scintillator Bars Radius Bar Cross Section Bar Length Bar Coverage **Scintillator Material Photomultipliers Readout of the Bars Design Resolution**

 $216(1.7°)$ 140 cm 4×4 cm² 300 cm $|\eta|$ < 1 Bicron-408 Hamamatsu two-sided 100_{ps}

Hamamatsu photomultiplier

PMT operates in 1.4 T B field

Bar Arrive at the Bore

Bar Unpacking

Inserting the Bar

And the Tracker still Fits

Particle Distinction with TOF

Cherenkov Light

Particle travels through material

- weak EM wave spreads: polarizing/de-polarizing effect
- slower then wave speed: waves never interfere
- faster then wave speed: they will interfere and create $\text{conic light under characteristic angle: } \text{cos}\theta_c = \frac{1}{\beta_n}$

Ring Imaging CHerenkov Detectors

RHIC detectors

• particle velocity from the opening angle of light cone

Super

Kamiokande

- particle passes through proper type of material
- the light cone produces a ring image
- size of ring determines velocity

ring LHCb Aerogel RICH

DIRC at BaBar Experiment

Detection of Internally Reflected Cherenkov light

- quartz bar is used to transport light under Cherenkov angle
- light ring in water tank
- size determines $β$
- high surface quality needed
- angle has to be retained

Conclusion

Electron/Photon reconstruction crucial at LHC

- very low Higgs masses drive the ECAL design
- $m_{\rm H}$ below 130 GeV: *H* → *γγ*
- active calorimeter more precise then sampling type
- CMS and Atlas covers full Higgs range

Particle Id (mostly pion/kaon separation)

- dE/dx in tracking (solid and gaseous)
- time of flight measurements
- Cherenkov light cone do determine velocity
	- Ring Imaging CHerenkov detectors: RICH
	- Detection of Internally reflected Cherenkov light: DIRC

Next Lecture

Analysis Tips Bottomonium Analysis....