



Higgs properties revealed through jet quenching in heavy ion collisions

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The Quark-Gluon Plasma

• The QCD phase diagram.







CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN

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Higgs boson	2012年 7月	日内瓦 街道	电弱相互作用, 汤川相互作用,
宽度	体重	政治面貌	主要衰变道
4.07MeV	125GeV	基本粒子	bb, WW, gg, cc, ττ, ZZ





Higgs boson —— the Surviver in the QGP Fireball

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 - Experiment (which can be understand theoretically):





CMS Collaboration, arXiv:1802.00707[hep-ex].

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- Question 2: *b*-jet tagging efficiency?





CMS Collaboration, JHEP 03 (2018) 181.

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- We formulate the transverse momentum loss of jet as (see our paper for the values of a, b and c):



 $\langle \delta p_{\rm T} \rangle = a p_{\rm T} + b \ln(p_{\rm T}/{\rm GeV}) + c,$



- Hadronic decay Higgs boson.
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- The *b*-jet tagging efficiency is hurt by a factor of ~ 0.6 .
- However, we will use the same b-tagging efficiency as pp-collision and believe that our experimentalist colleges can improve it in the future.



• Smearing effect.





- Dominant SM backgrounds:
 - Z+bb;
 - *Z*+*bc*, *Z*+*cc*;
 - Top-pair;
- We simulate the signal and background with MadGraph at parton level and add the smearing and jet quenching effect with the formulas to understand the cuts.

$$p_{\rm T}^{\ell} > 15 {
m GeV}, \ |\eta^{\ell}| < 2.5, \ \Delta R_{\ell\ell} > 0.2,$$

anti- $k_{\rm T}$ jet , $R = 0.3, \ p_{\rm T}^{j} > 30 {
m GeV}, \ |\eta^{\ell}| < 1.6, \ \Delta R_{j\ell} > 0.3,$
 $|m_{\ell\ell} - m_Z| < 10 {
m GeV}, \ \Delta R_{bb} < 2.0, \ p_{\rm T}^{Z} \equiv p_{\rm T}^{\ell\ell} > 100 {
m GeV}.$



- The jet quenching effect introduces a significant transverse momentum imbalance between the dilepton system and the *b*-jet pair system.
- We can suppress the *Zbb* background with more cuts:



• After all cuts.





• Significance at the LHC and future hadron colliders.





Summary and Outlook



Summary

- We propose to study the production and decays of the Higgs boson in heavy-ion collision.
- It is shown that the screening from QGP on QCD partons serves a natural probe of the lifetime of the Higgs boson and the behavior of the Higgs boson in QGP.



• The luminosity

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	Unit	FCC Injection	FCC C	ollision
Operation mode		Pb	Pb–Pb	p–Pb
Beam energy	[TeV]	270	4100	50
$\sqrt{s_{ m NN}}$	[TeV]	-	39.4	62.8
No. of bunches per LHC injection	-	518	518	518
No. of bunches in the FCC	-	2072	2072	2072
No. of particles per bunch	$[10^8]$	2.0	2.0	164
Transv. norm. emittance	[µm]	1.5	1.5	3.75
Number of IPs in collision	-	-	1	1
Crossing-angle	[μ rad]	-		0
Initial luminosity	$[10^{27} \mathrm{cm}^{-2} \mathrm{s}^{-1}]$	- /	24.5	2052
Peak luminosity	$[10^{27} \mathrm{cm}^{-2} \mathrm{s}^{-1}]$	-	57.8	9918
Integrated luminosity per fill	$[\mu b^{-1}]$	-		158630
Average luminosity	$[\mu b^{-1}]$	-	92	20736
Time in collision	[h]	-	3	6
Assumed turnaround time	[h]	-	1.65	1.65
Integrated luminosity/run	$[\mathrm{nb}^{-1}]$	-	33	8000

CERN Yellow Reports, Physics at the FCC-hh, a 100 TeV pp collider, Chapter 4: Heavy Ions at the Future Circular Collider.



• The luminosity

	p@LHC	Pb@LHC	p@FCC	Pb@FCC
Extracted beam on an external	liq. H / Be / W			
target				
Extracted flux [s ⁻¹]	$5\cdot 10^8$	$2\cdot 10^5$	$1.5 \cdot 10^9$	$5.8 \cdot 10^5$
$\mathcal{L}(\mu b^{-1}s^{-1})$	2000 / 62 / 31	0.8/0.025/0.013	6000 / 190 / 93	2.32/0.072/0.036
$\int dt \mathcal{L}(\mathrm{pb}^{-1}\mathrm{yr}^{-1})$	20000 / 620 / 310	0.8/0.025/0.013	60000 / 1900 / 930	2.32/0.072/0.036
Internal gas target (SMOG	ideal gas	ideal gas	ideal gas	ideal gas
type)				
$\mathcal{L}(\mu \mathrm{b}^{-1} s^{-1})$	10	0.001	8.9	$3.3\cdot 10^{-3}$
$\int dt \mathcal{L}(\mathrm{pb}^{-1}\mathrm{yr}^{-1})$	100	0.001	89	$3.3\cdot 10^{-3}$
Internal gas storage-cell target	H ₂ / D ₂ / Xe			
(HERMES type)				
$\mathcal{L}(\mu \mathrm{b}^{-1} s^{-1})$	900 / 1200 / 140	0.12/0.15/0.02	800 / 1100 / 120	0.3 / 0.4 / 0.05
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- The luminosity
- More modern analysis methods
- A self-consistent simulation package
- Other channels



Higgs quenching?



From David d'Enterria



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Thank you!



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Backup

Outline

- Higgs boson at the LHC.
- The ABC of early universe, heavy-ion collision and quark-gluon plasma (QGP).
- Why do we look for Higgs boson in heavy-ion collision?
- Searching Higgs boson in QGP.
- Summary and outlook.



Higgs boson at the LHC

• The production of the SM-like Higgs boson (cross sections).





From LHC Higgs Cross Section Working Group, https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/LHCHXSWG

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• The decay of the SM-like Higgs boson (branching ratios).



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ATLAS Collaboration, ATLAS-CONF-2016-110.

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- Nuclear modification factor:

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• If the nuclei-nuclei collision is just the incoherent superposition of nucleon-nucleon collision, $R_{NN} \equiv 1$.


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ATLAS Collaboration, ATLAS-CONF-2017-009.

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Heavy-Ion Collision at the LHC

- There is a fundamental particle whose width is smaller than 197MeV!
- The decay products will carry the information of the Higgs boson, and tell us the properties of the Higgs boson in QGP faithfully.
- The QCD and other SM backgrounds of the hadronic decay Higgs boson will be modified and suppressed by the jet quenching effect.
- Verifying these conclusions will give us a double check of the width of the Higgs boson and an upper bound of the width.
- Search for $h \rightarrow bb$ in heavy-ion collision at the LHC and future hadron colliders!



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- A successful example of leptonic decay *Z* reconstruction in heavy-ion collision at the LHC.
- Electron-positron trigger:

 e^+ and e^- , $|\eta| < 2.5$, $E_{\rm T} > 15 {\rm GeV}$

• Single muon trigger:

 $|\eta| < 2.4, \ p_{\rm T} > 15 {\rm GeV}$

• Di-muon trigger:

 μ^+ and μ^- , $|\eta| < 2.4$, $p_{\rm T} > 10 {\rm GeV}$



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$$\sigma(p_{\rm T}) = \sqrt{C^2 + \frac{S^2}{p_{\rm T}} + \frac{N^2}{p_{\rm T}^2}}.$$

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- We simulate the signal and background with MadGraph at parton level and add the smearing and jet quenching effect with the formulas.
- Sherpa is used to generate MC events and shower them. The jets is reconstructed with Fastjet.

