HAVE WE OBSERVED NEW PHYSICS AT THE LHC?

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WHAT HAS BEEN SEEN?





PROS

- One of the simplest channels at collider
- Lot of experience from the Higgs

CONS

- Limited statistics (could well be a fluctuation)
- Little (public) information about the events (additional jets, met etc.)

A BAYESIAN COMPARISON (DEC 2011 VS DEC 2015)



THE THEORISTS REACTION

Even with this little information, the theory community could speculate a lot



Many different explanations



- Spin 0 or 2 due to Landau-Yang
- For narrow resonance very simple (trivial) theory explanations
- For large width harder to explain (non-perturbative couplings, nearby resonances, etc.)

CROSS SECTION BEST FITS



Kamenik, Safdi, Soreq, Zupan, 1603.06566 [bep-pb]

Some insights into Have we observed new physics at the LHC?

COMPATIBILITY RUN-I/RUN-II



 \sqrt{s}

 $8\,\mathrm{TeV}$

 $13\,\mathrm{TeV}$

GENERAL ANALYSIS (E.G. SPIN 0)



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SUMMARY OF CONSTRAINTS

final	$\sigma \text{ at } \sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$			implied bound on
state f	observed	expected	ref.	$\Gamma(S \to f) / \Gamma(S \to \gamma \gamma)_{\rm obs}$
$\gamma\gamma$	< 1.5 fb	< 1.1 fb	[7, 8]	$< 0.8 \ (r/5)$
$e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^-$	< 1.2 fb	$< 1.2~{\rm fb}$	[9]	$< 0.6 \ (r/5)$
$\tau^+ \tau^-$	< 12 fb	$< 15 {\rm ~fb}$	[10]	< 6 (r/5)
$Z\gamma$	$< 11 { m ~fb}$	$< 11 {\rm ~fb}$	[11]	< 6 (r/5)
ZZ	< 12 fb	$< 20 {\rm ~fb}$	[12]	< 6 (r/5)
Zh	$< 19 {\rm ~fb}$	$< 28 {\rm ~fb}$	[13]	$< 10 \ (r/5)$
hh	$< 39 {\rm ~fb}$	< 42 fb	[14]	$< 20 \ (r/5)$
W^+W^-	$< 40 {\rm ~fb}$	$<70~{\rm fb}$	[15, 16]	$< 20 \ (r/5)$
$tar{t}$	$< 450 { m ~fb}$	$< 600 {\rm ~fb}$	[17]	$< 300 \ (r/5)$
invisible	$< 0.8 { m ~pb}$	-	[18]	$< 400 \ (r/5)$
$b\overline{b}$	$\lesssim 1\mathrm{pb}$	$\lesssim 1\mathrm{pb}$	[19]	$< 500 \ (r/5)$
jj	$\lesssim~2.5~{ m pb}$	-	[6]	$< 1300 \ (r/5)$

Constraints in red very strong, these channels cannot account for sizeable width
Constraints in green less strong, they can possibly account for a sizeable width

CONSTRAINTS VS WIDTH (E.G. SPIN 0)

Requiring to satisfy the rate, the total width $\Gamma/M \sim 0.06$ and all constraints

Assuming $S \rightarrow gg, \gamma\gamma, X$

Assuming $S \to p_i p_i, \gamma \gamma, \text{inv}$



Generally requires $\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}/M\gtrsim 10^{-5}$, which, as we will see, is a large value

WEAKLY COUPLED MODELS (SMALL WIDTH)



For a small width prefer $\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}/M \gtrsim 10^{-6}$ which seems feasible with not too large multiplicities, charges, couplings and not too light masses



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Scalar (continuous), pseudo-scalar (dashed) and cubic coupling $y_{y_5} = 1$, A = M



A RELATION WITH DM?

- Connection with DM very appealing
- If the resonance is a portal to DM there are correlated effect on width, relic abundance, (in)direct detection
- A large invisible width can help in saturating the value preferred by ATLAS
- e.g. S is a (pseudo)scalar portal to fermionic DM



 $Sar{\mathcal{Q}}_f(y_f+i\,y_{5f}\gamma_5)\mathcal{Q}_f$

LARGE WIDTH -> STRONG COUPLING

Explaining a large width typically requires large couplings and large number of new particles just above the TeV scale, which points towards strongly coupled models

$$\begin{split} \frac{\Gamma(S \to gg)}{M} &\approx 7.2 \times 10^{-5} \left| \sum_{f} I_{r_f} y_f \frac{M}{2M_f} + \sum_{s} I_{r_s} \frac{A_s M}{16M_s^2} \right|^2, \\ \frac{\Gamma(S \to \gamma\gamma)}{M} &\approx 5.4 \times 10^{-8} \left| \sum_{f} d_{r_f} Q_f^2 y_f \frac{M}{2M_f} + \sum_{s} d_{r_s} Q_s^2 \frac{A_s M}{16M_s^2} \right|^2 \end{split}$$



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STRONGLY COUPLED MODELS

Composite neutral bosons of QCD



 $\Gamma/M\sim 0.06$ is typical for QCD resonances

However, their mass is typically above the confinement scale Λ , while now bounds on compositeness require the resonance lighter than Λ

In the case of strongly coupled models (like QCD) one needs additional mechanisms to ensure that the resonance can be lighter than Λ

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- A new scalar that is a PNGB of an extended scalar sector also producing a composite Higgs and is therefore related to electroweak symmetry breaking
 - Pseudo-scalar PNGB coupled through anomalies (Wess-Zumino-Witten terms) or Chern-Simons terms in extra dimensions (e.g. η' in QCD)
 - Scalar PNGB (no WZW term) but coupling typically smaller
 - Dilaton: coupling to Higgs kinetic term (or to tops) can provide the width, but hard to push couplings to photons and gluons
- A new scalar not directly related to the EWSB sector, e.g. in extended confining gauge theories with fermions that are vector-like under the SM
 - QCD-like strong dynamics similar to technicolor: techni-η, techni-pions, techniquarkonia etc.

The weak feature of strongly coupled models seems to be the difficult in generating a consistent picture of flavour without relying on additional flavour symmetries

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MEASURING S PROPERTIES

Is this signal due to a resonance or to more complicated kinematics?

- Look at the events to find more structure
- Look at interference with SM (processes with different structure don't interfere)
- More statistics would allow to exclude two/more nearby resonances
- Distribution of MET very important to distinguish associated production involving DM
- Certainly needs more statistics

Spin

- Look at the angular distribution of the two photons
- Certainly needs more statistics

C-P properties

- If ZZ is observed soon look at 4-lepton distributions (like for the Higgs)
 Here differently from the Higgs this could be CP-even but still coupling only to transverse bosons, which can make things harder!
- The angular distribution of jets in Sjj events can be a good discrimination
- Search in the *hh* channel, this is a discriminant

Other properties

- Associated productions with W, Z, h and pair production
- Precise measurements of the S properties may require a Future Collider

CONCLUSION

- The hints for an excess of events in the di-photon spectrum both from ATLAS and CMS with the first data at 13 TeV has generated a lot of excitement
- The excess deserves to be taken seriously due to its presence in both experiments in the same region (though with a modest statistical significance) and to the extremely simple and clean final state, not (directly) involving complicated coloured objects
- A very fast reaction of the theoretical community has generated a lot of ideas, however more experimental input is needed (more distributions, additional objects, interpretation in different frameworks)
- The excess could be explained in many different scenarios, both weakly coupled and strongly coupled
- However, if a large width is confirmed this would point either towards weakly coupled models with many almost degenerate narrow resonances (that can be resolved with more statistics) or towards strongly coupled dynamics
- If the signal is confirmed, it should in any case be accompanied by other states which would open up a new era both for experimental and theoretical exploration
- Only new data will tell us if this signal is actually due to new physics, or it is yet another statistical fluctuation

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THANK YOU