Looking Beyond the Standard Model

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Historic Achievement

• 120 years ago:

- Do atoms exist? Real, or just an organizing concept?
- If so, what governs the structure of the periodic table?
- What determines chemistry, the emission of light, etc?

83 years ago:

- Special & general relativity, quantum mechanics
- Electron, photon, proton discovered, masses known
- Neutron, neutrino, nuclear forces unknown

50 years ago:

- Conflict between parity-violating weak interaction and electron mass
- QED; but quantum theory of strong, weak interactions elusive
- Massive vector bosons in data and in theory (rho mesons & W bosons)

Historic Achievement

- 25 years ago:
 - Three-generation Standard Model fully formed
 - Hadron structure, quarks rather well understood
 - W, Z bosons, gluons discovered
 - Only missing pieces:
 - t, v_{τ}
 - H field and its particle (nothing known)
 - Multiple conceptual puzzles with Standard Model
- 2 years ago: Not much had changed
 - Great advances in techniques for calculations
 - SM tested at precision level through quantum effects
 - Precision tests correctly imply surprisingly heavy top quark
 - After top quark mass known, precision tests
 - Higgs particle is not heavy (< 200 GeV) if SM is correct

What do we know since 2010?

- A SM-Higgs-like particle
 - Mass < 200 GeV, as predicted

A vast array of alternatives to the SM now excluded

SM is in very good shape...

Could the Standard Model Be Correct?

- As a theory of everything, no way.
 - Gravity not included (though can be included at semiclassical level)
 - Neutrino masses not zero (though higher dimension operators)
 - Dark matter not predicted (though primordial black holes?)
 - Strong CP problem not addressed
 - Cosmological constant ("dark `energy"") not predicted/explained
 - Specific choices of particles and interactions
 - Mass ratios and mixings, strengths of forces all put in by hand
- As a theory of physics accessible to the LHC, possibly.
 - pp collisions at the LHC perhaps insensitive to all entries on list above
 - No known verifiable conflicts with predictions of SM and LHC data

No matter what happens at the LHC, we must look beyond the Standard Model!

But <u>when</u>? And <u>in which direction(s)</u>?

The Arguments Pro/Con the SM at LHC

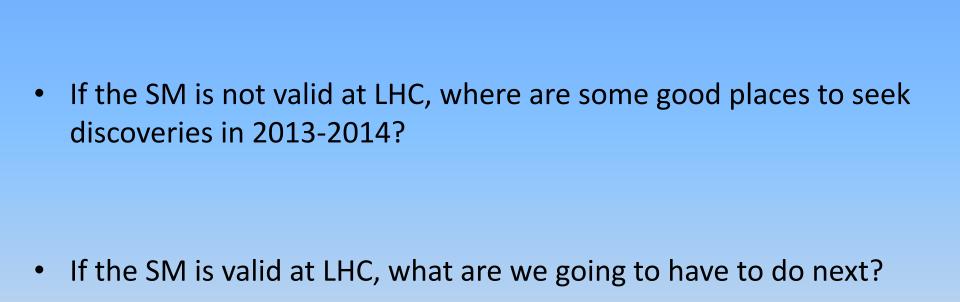
- For: SM is simplest and most elegant theory consistent with data
 - Completely self-contained; no missing parts, no inconsistencies
 - No confirmed conflicts with any existing experiments!
 - Simplest and most elegant → the one most likely to be right
- Against: SM is not very simple or elegant, and is extremely radical
 - The Standard Model is ugly and baroque
 - 3 forces, 3 generations of 15 fermions, 1 SU(2)-doublet of scalars
 - Masses, mixings scattered all over the place
 - Strong CP problem
 - The Standard Model contains something never previously observed:
 - a particle with mass very low relative to apparent ultraviolet scales,
 but not protected by any principle

What Does Data Say?

- Can we say with confidence that the SM explains all LHC data?
 - Definitely not yet! (And not soon.)
- Experiment is far from over:
 - LHC has taken less than 1/10 of its data, and at 60% of its energy.
 - The new particle is still cursorily studied.
 - Many searches of the data have not yet been undertaken
- Theory is far from convincing:
 - Many classes of theories have a decoupling limit, in which
 - The theory has a SM-Higgs-like particle
 - All new particles may be heavy and/or weakly-interacting

What Does Data Say?

- Do we have any evidence that SM does not explain all LHC data?
 - Definitely not yet! (And probably not soon.)
 - $-\frac{2}{3}$ of 2011-2012 data analyzed; no >2 σ deviations of H properties from SM
 - ½ of data analyzed, no strong signs of deviations in other measurements
- Therefore becoming unlikely that any question already asked will yield convincing deviations from the SM using 2011-2012 data
- Any deviations before end-2015 will likely come from questions that have not yet been asked



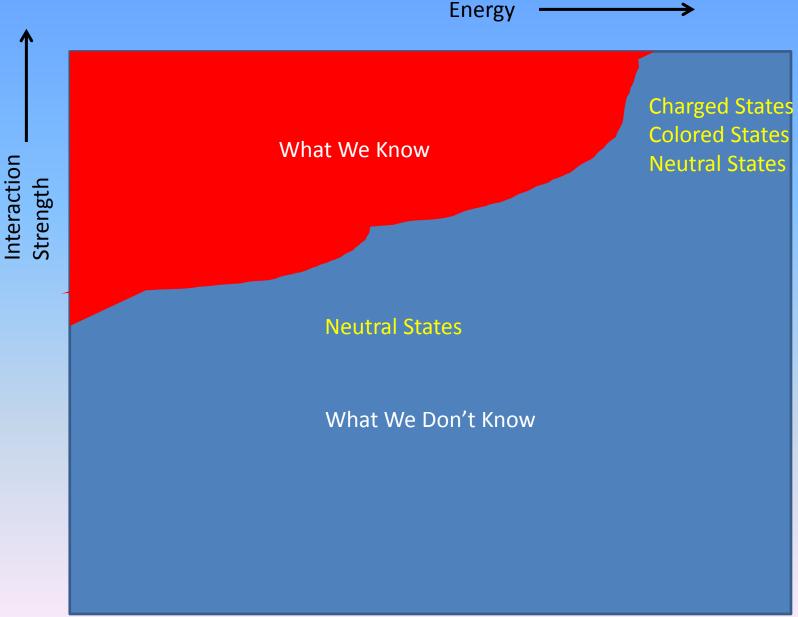
Some As Yet Unasked Questions that Could Generate Discoveries in 2013-2014

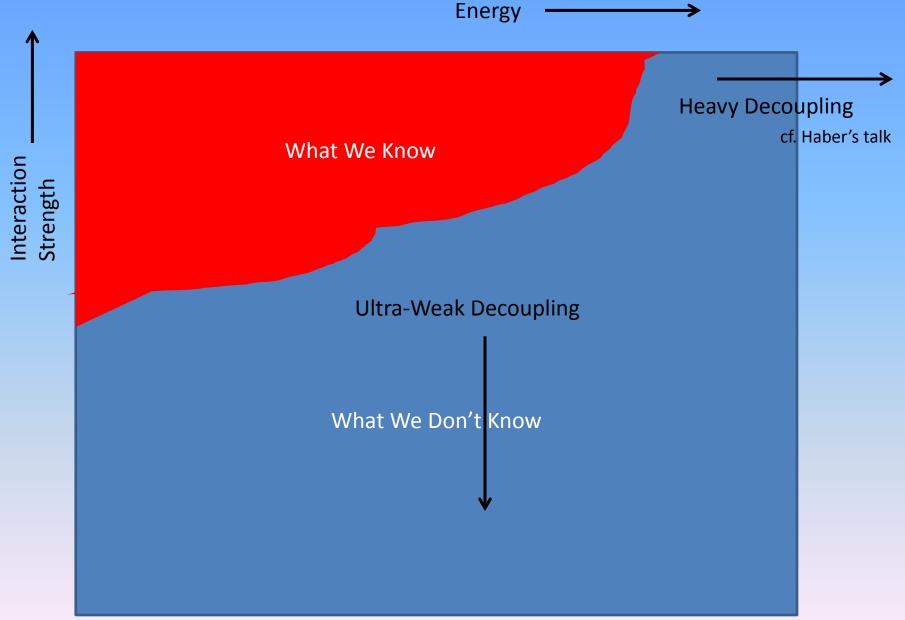


What We Don't Know

Interaction

Strength





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Questions That Have Not Been Asked

- Beyond-the-Standard-Model physics
 - May lie at higher masses than 8 TeV can reach (wait for 2015-2018)
 - May be sitting in the 2011-2012 data but difficult to extract
 - Swamped by large and/or uncertain backgrounds
 - Requiring a non-standard analysis strategy
 - Motivated by non-minimal versions of popular models
- Personal View: Greatest risks at the LHC beyond 2012
 - Not enough attention to controlling SM backgrounds
 - Not enough diversity and risk-taking in search strategies
 - Theory and experimental bias toward minimal models

Dangers of Bias Toward Minimal Models

- Why do we discuss MSUGRA, MSSM, NMSSM...?
- Because we deeply believe minimal is better.
 - Theorists like it
 - Elegance
 - More predictive
 - Experimentalists like it
 - Easier to search for and exclude
- Bias: non-minimal models are viewed as "Unmotivated"
 - Motivation, however, is sociological and time-dependent
- Note that the modern Standard Model wasn't minimal or motivated
 - Could have had no weak neutral currents, and < 3 generations.
 - The modern SM could not have been published in 1967!

Dangers of Bias Toward Minimal Models

- Non-minimal models solve the same problem as the minimal one
 - Solution to flavor or hierarchy or other problem just as good
 - Lagrangian not much different
- But collider phenomenology may be unrecognizable
 - Large MET signal → Small MET signal
 - No leptons → Many displaced leptons
 - High-energy spherical event with many jets → few low-energy jets + MET
- Often "classic" searches don't rule out non-minimal versions!

Non-SM Higgs Behavior (NSMH)

- Our new particle
 - May have friends that we haven't found yet
 - May be produced in ways not expected in SM
 - May decay in ways not expected in SM
- Existence of Decoupling Limit →
 - SM-like behavior of H does not make these signals unlikely
 - In many models this will be the first sign of new physics
 - In some models this will be the only new physics at LHC
- Up to now, very few results on these possibilities have appeared
- One of the most likely areas for discoveries during the shutdown!!
 - This should be a major area of research at ATLAS/CMS/LHCb in 2013-2014!

NSMH1: Exotic Higgs States

- Just because we see a SM-like H doesn't mean it has no friends
 - Heavy states
 - Light weakly coupled states
 - Light difficult-to-observe states
- New neutral states



- With mostly SM decays
 - But small rate and possibly small width
 - e.g. narrow ZZ or $\gamma\gamma$ peak at high mass
- Or with mainly exotic decays
 - Nobody has yet looked!

NSMH2: Non-SM Higgs Production

- Any heavy particle with mass > 125 GeV might decay to H.
 - Only example in SM is top:
 - $t \rightarrow c + H$ (events with lepton, 3 b's and a bb resonance)
 - Many examples beyond SM
 - Neutralino → gravitino + H (possibly displaced)
 - $t' \rightarrow t + H$
 - H' → H + H
 - W' → W+ H, Z' → Z + H
- Combine standard search for H with search for non-SM production
 - W + H search can look for W' \rightarrow W + H
 - t t H search can look for t' t' → t H t H

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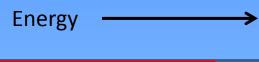
- Look for exotic Higgs production where SM production is low
 - High p_T H
 - High MET or S_T events
 - Events with many jets
 - Exotic production \rightarrow e.g. a small $\gamma\gamma$ signal over tiny background
 - Displaced H
- Opportunity: Do not look only at 125 GeV!!!
- Any searches for 125 GeV H should also look for other H-like states
 - Over as wide a range as possible!!! 0.1 GeV to 1000 GeV!
 - Blind search around 125
 - Non-blind search at other masses

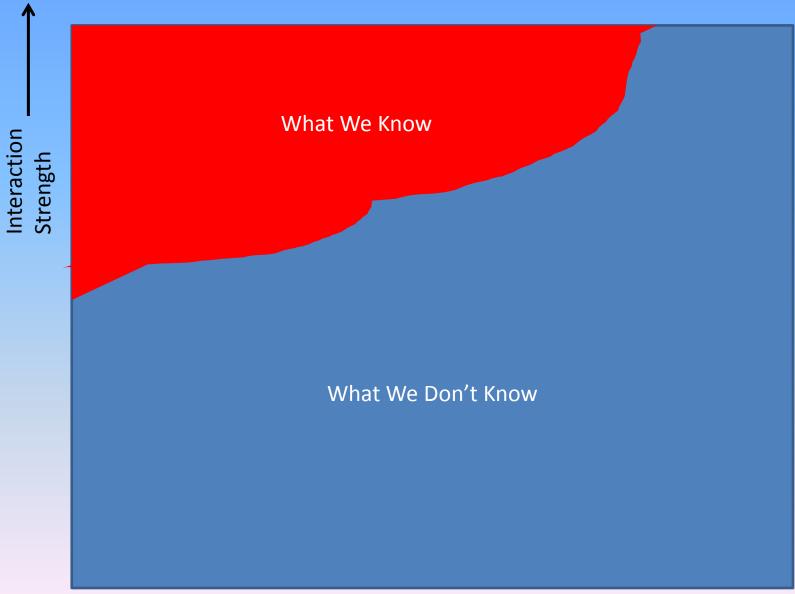
More Generally

- New neutral light particles
 - H, extra Higgses, non-minimal SUSY, hidden valleys
 - Can give di-photon bump (like SM Higgs) or di-lepton bump (like Z)
 - Rates often low and often swamped in SM background



- There are few searches dedicated to looking for such things.
 - Clearly some might have been found by accident
 - ... but we don't know what we don't know
 - Prove to me that these are already excluded from the 2011-2012 data





NSMH3: Non-SM Higgs Decays

- The most important priority for 2013-2014!
 - Newly discovered particle needs its PDG table:
- Warning:
 - H has no non-zero quantum numbers
 - Therefore, a huge list of allowed decays!!!
- Won't learn much from SM decays til 2015
 - Current results use ²/₃ of 2011-2012 data
 - Sum of Br = 1 with big error bar
- 125 GeV SM-like H
 - Extremely sensitive to new physics
 - Easily develops new <u>non-SM</u> decay modes

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Z DECAY MODES
                                                                Fraction (\Gamma_i/\Gamma)
          e^+e^-
                                                                   (3.363 \pm 0.004)\%
                                                                    (3.366 \pm 0.007)\%
          hadrons
             (u\overline{u}+c\overline{c})/2
             (d\overline{d} + s\overline{s} + b\overline{b})/3
\Gamma_0
              ьъ
                                                                              \pm 0.05
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             ggg
\Gamma_{13}
Γ<sub>15</sub>
         \eta'(958)\gamma
         \pi^{\pm}W^{\mp}
                                                                                             \times 10^{-5}
         J/\psi(1S)X
        \psi(2S)X
\Gamma_{23} \chi_{c1}(1P)X
                                                                   (2.9
\Gamma_{24} \chi_{c2}(1P)X
                                                                 < 3.2
          \Upsilon(1S) X + \Upsilon(2S) X
                                                                   ( 1.0
         anomalous \gamma + hadrons
        \mu^{+}\mu^{-}\gamma
         e^{\pm} \mu^{\mp}
                                                                                             \times 10^{-5}
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Why 125 GeV H is Sensitive

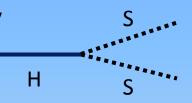
- In SM, 125 GeV H has $\Gamma_{\rm H}/\rm m_{\rm H} \simeq 2~x~10^{-5}$
 - Couplings to b, τ etc. are small
 - Decays to W and Z suppressed because one W or Z off-shell
 - Couplings to g, γ loop-suppressed
- Ultra-weakly coupled particles → non-SM decays of H with moderate Br
 - No effect on production
 - Br ~ 100% was possible; current data allows ~20% exotic Br
 - ~ 400,000 H produced at both ATLAS and CMS in 2012 alone!
 - So potential sensitivity to Br of $10^{-1} 10^{-4}$

- Even rare two-body decays could be affected
 - Expected small: H $\rightarrow \mu\mu$, Z γ
 - FCNCs: H $\rightarrow \tau \mu$ (and cf. t \rightarrow cH)

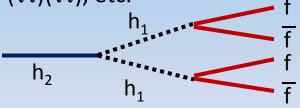
Minimal Source of Non-SM Decays

$$V(H,S) = V_H(H^2) + V_S(S^2) + \eta H^2 S^2$$

- Two phases:
 - <H> ≠ 0, <S> = 0; then H \rightarrow S S (if allowed) gives invisible decay



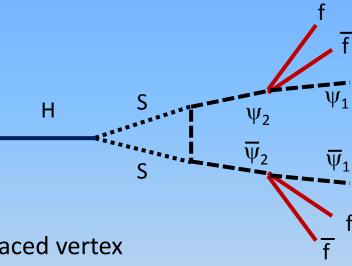
- $\langle H \rangle \neq 0, \langle S \rangle \neq 0$; then H and S mix
 - Two states h₁, h₂ (call h₂ the heavier one) each SM-like
 - If h₁ is 125 GeV H, may have exotic H production
 - − If h_2 is 125 GeV H, may have H → (bb)(bb), $(\tau\tau)(\tau\tau)$, etc.
- Note: a range of small η for which
 the h_1 is mostly S and decays displaced



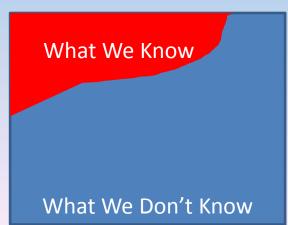
- Similar, "motivated" phenomenology in NMSSM
 - (cf. Dermisek and Gunion 04, Chang, Fox & Weiner 05)

Non-Minimal Sources:

• Two additional singlet fermions with S ψ_i ψ_i coupling, i,j = 1,2

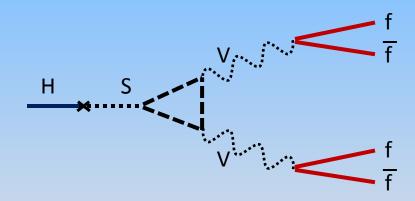


- Two fermion pairs + MET
- Visible objects may appear at displaced vertex
- Similar pheno in GMSB, in NMSSM, etc.
 - Matchev Thomas '99



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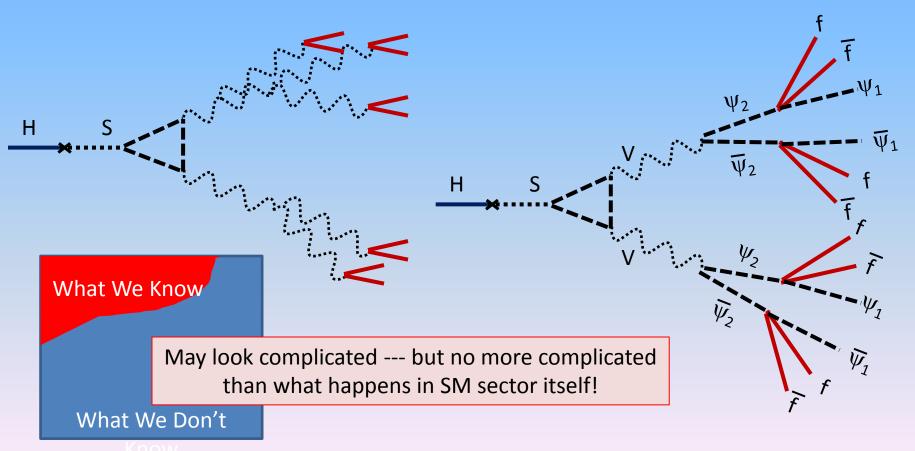
- Add gauge bosons V
 - If (for instance) ψ_i are charged, loop generates S \rightarrow V V
 - If abelian, V can mix with photon and decay to visible ff pair
 - In this case light leptons are more common



- More 4-body decays
 - e or μ pairs, q or g pairs; b pairs, τ pairs
 - Cf. Dark Matter model of Arkani-Hamed, Finkbeiner, Slatyer, Weiner 09

Non-Minimal Sources:

- Hidden sector may be strongly interacting or have multiple cascades
 - Very complex final states with many clustered particles
 - Long lifetime are rather common due to various suppression factors



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H As Portal to Ultra-Weak Sector

- General: H can decay to hidden sector "portal"
- MJS & Zurek 4/06 cf. Schabinger&Wells 05 Patt & Wilczek 5/06
- Hidden Valley generic hidden sector with MJS & Zurek 4/06
 - Self-interacting particles with masses well within LHC reach... ← Valley
 - ...such that some decay back to SM on detector time scales ← Discoverable



Generic predictions for HVs (MJS & Zurek 2006)

- New light neutral particles often several types
- Most easily produced in decays of heavy particles
- esp. H but also Z, W, t, LSP, etc.
- Produced singly or in groups, often boosted
- Produced promptly or displaced

- Unmotivated?
 - Dark matter; string theory; SUSY breaking
 - New, specific hidden valley models with varying motivations appear every year
- Also, experiment motivates!
 - We have the data; we ought to be looking broadly at the H
 - Opportunity in 2013-2014 for discoveries

Few Studies Performed Yet

- The number of experimental studies done so far is quite small
 - Scattered and unsystematic; needs to be a more detailed program
- The number of theoretical studies done so far is also quite small
 - Need calculations of SM rates for non-SM-enhanced processes
 - Need signal/background studies
 - This makes it hard for the experimentalists to know how to prioritize
 - Need theorists to contribute to this program!
- Putting this off until 2018-2020 would mean delaying possible discoveries in favor of slightly improved precision measurements

Aside: Exotic Decays of Top, W, Z

- ATLAS/CMS have world's largest samples of TAGGED top and W
 - Select events with one reconstructed top;
 - Other top or its W may have rare exotic decay
 - $t \rightarrow c H$
 - t → c X followed by (use your hidden valley imagination here)
 - − X \rightarrow j j, τ τ etc.
 - $X \rightarrow Y Y \rightarrow j j j j$, etc.
 - $t \rightarrow b W$
 - W \rightarrow e q q ν , e $\tau \tau \nu$ (may obtain better limits than LEP)
- Harder to recognize rare Z decays as such
 - cf. Z \rightarrow 4 leptons
 - Z \rightarrow new long-lived particles...?

But Maybe SM Works at the LHC.

What Then?

What if the SM is Perfect at LHC?

- We won't know until ~ 2020 at least
- We will still have to look beyond the SM
- But where do we look?
- And what do we do about naturalness/hierarchy problem?
 - We have to start thinking about these issues immediately, just in case.

Taking Proper Stock

SM correct at LHC scales? Stunning! What explains hierarchy?

- Dynamical effect generates large hierarchy?
 - No dynamics that produces this situation easily has ever been proposed
 - No dynamics producing large hierarchy observed in solid-state physics
- Hierarchy not so large?
 - Maybe natural theory is at 10-100 TeV instead of 1 TeV
 - Minor accident suppressing the Higgs mass and vev by factor of 10-100?
- Selection effect? (``structure'' or ``anthropic'' principle)
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Or is this our Michelson-Morley moment?

Is our failure a profound clue that our understanding of quantum field theory, as applied to high-energy physics, is fundamentally wrong?

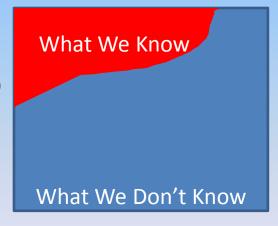
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Pre-LHC, Preferred Experimental Targets

- So what should we aim at?
 - Before 1900 we had atoms (eV)
 - 1900 1950 we had nuclei (keV MeV)
 - 1930 1970 we had nucleons (GeV)
 - After Fermi 1933 we had weak scale (TeV)
- Long ago knew SM without Higgs was not consistent
 - Knew either new particles or new interactions by TeV energy scale
 - Motivated a powerful multipurpose high energy machine (SSC or LHC)
 - Higher priority than searches for rare processes (not sharp enough)
- But now...
 - SM with Higgs is internally consistent
 - No energy scale between TeV and the GUT or Planck scale clearly identified

Obvious Targets – all with Pros and Cons

- Energy Frontier: Just keep going to higher energy
- Cosmological Frontier: Direct dark matter searches
 - Neutralino-type, axion-type
 - Are we sure DM is made from particles?
 - Couldn't those particles couple to us only via gravity?
- Intensity Frontier: Many options
 - Precision studies of the new heavy particles (t,W,Z,H)
 - Flavor physics rare decays of quarks
 - Neutrino properties [but $M_{LL} = M_{LR} (M_{RR})^{-1} M_{RL}$]
 - Axion-like particles
 - New sectors of quasi-hidden fields/particles
 - Common in string theory
 - Maybe light and couple not too weakly to visible sector (hidden valleys)



Non-Obvious Targets?

- It would be wise to explore a wider range of possibilities
- Michelson-Morley result did not obviously suggest
 - Measuring the kinematic relation between energy and momentum
 - Measuring location of stars near the sun during an eclipse
- Are there questions that we should be asking of LHC data (or other data) that seem pointless or hopeless at first glance?
 - Checks of basic principles, such as relativity and quantum field theory, CPT, locality, etc.
 - Effects that by rights should be orders of magnitude too small to observe,
 but for which LHC exceeds sensitivity of any previous experiment.

Need To Exploit New Technology

- Recent technology has not been our best friend at high energy
 - No transformative advances in accelerator technology
 - No entirely new classes of high-energy particle detectors
- Maybe advances in astronomy/astrophysics can help?
 - Neutrino properties
 - Precision tests of constancy of couplings
 - Tests of equivalence principle via timing of light from distant explosions
 - Black hole super-radiance
- Maybe advances at much lower energy
 - Atomic methods
 - Nanotechnology
 - Quantum entanglement
- What else can we measure inexpensively and well?

Conclusions

- We cannot know whether SM describes LHC data until we have done a thorough, systematic search through all of that data
 - Looking for non-minimal models and non-standard signatures
 - Requires unusual and sometimes difficult search strategies
- Any deviation from the SM is an instant game-changer
 - All attention will focus on this chink in the SM's armor
 - Need to look broadly, and use our time and personnel wisely
 - Natural place to look for 2013-2014: non-SM behavior in Higgs(es)
- No deviations? A more spectacular but gradual game-changer
 - Over a century of focused work finally leaves us with no preferred target
 - Are we aiming at the right targets? With the right tools?

A Professor and His Boson

Nature exhibits an SM-like Higgs boson

• Whether or not this is the whole story at the LHC, it is a spectacular achievement for the field of particle physics

Today we celebrate Peter Higgs' bright ideas

Tomorrow we return to the hard work of improving upon them