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CMS is a general purpose proton-proton detector designed to run at the highest luminosity at the LHC. It is also well adapted for studies at the initially lower luminosities. The CMS Collaboration consists of 1700 scientists and engineers from 152 institutes in 32 countries. The main design goals of CMS are:

- i) a highly performant muon system;
- ii) the best possible electromagnetic calorimeter consistent with (i);
- iii) high quality central tracking to achieve (i) and (ii);
- iv) a detector costing less than 475 MCHF.

The Technical Design Reports of the Magnet, Inner Tracking, the Muon System, the Electro-magnetic and Hadronic Calorimeters have been submitted and approved.

- Magnet

The detector (Figure CMS-1,2) will be built around a long (13 m) and large bore ($\phi=5.9$ m) high-field superconducting solenoid (4 T) leading to a compact design for the muon spectrometer. The magnetic flux is returned through 1.5 m of saturated iron yoke (1.8 T) instrumented with muon chambers. The Technical Design Report for the magnet was submitted and approved in 1997. The construction of the magnet has started and is proceeding according to schedule and will be tested on the surface in 2003.

- Inner Tracking

All high p_t muons, isolated electrons and charged hadrons, produced in the central rapidity region, are reconstructed with a momentum precision of $\Delta p_t/p_t = 0.005 + 0.15p_t$ (p_t in TeV). The high momentum precision is a direct consequence of the high magnetic field. The tracking volume is given by a cylinder of length 6 m and a diameter of 2.6 m. In order to deal with high track multiplicities tracking detectors with small cell sizes are used. Solid-state and gas microstrip detectors provide the required granularity and precision. Stereo information is provided by double-sided microstrip detectors. Pixel detectors placed close to the interaction region improve the measurement of the track impact parameter and secondary vertices. High track finding efficiencies are achieved for isolated high p_t tracks and for high p_t tracks in jets. The short bunch crossing time at the LHC (25ns) and high levels of radiation place challenging requirements on readout electronics. The construction of the tracker is scheduled to start in 2000.

- Muon System

Centrally produced muons are measured three times, in the inner tracker, after the coil and in the return flux. They are then identified and measured in four identical muon stations (MB) inserted in the return yoke. Special care has been taken to avoid pointing cracks and to maximize the geometric acceptance. Each muon station consists of twelve planes of aluminium drift tubes designed to give a muon vector in space, with 100 μm precision in position and better than 1 mrad in direction. The four muon stations include RPC triggering planes that also identify the bunch crossing and enable a cut on the muon transverse momentum at the first trigger level. The endcap muon system also consists of four muon stations (ME). Each station consists of six planes of Cathode Strip Chambers. The chambers are arranged such that all muon tracks traverse four stations at all rapidities, including the transition region between the barrel and the endcaps. The last muon stations are after a total of $\geq 20\lambda$ of absorber so that only muons can reach them. The four muon stations lead to a redundant and robust muon system. The large bending power is the key to very good momentum resolution even in the so called "stand alone" mode especially at high transverse momenta.

The combined (using the inner tracker as well as the muon chambers) muon momentum resolution is better than 5% at 0.3 TeV in the central rapidity region $|\eta|<2$ and $\approx 10\%$ for $p_t=2$ TeV. Low-momentum ($p_t< 100$ GeV) muons are measured before the absorber with a precision of about 1.5% up to a rapidity of 2. Production prototypes are being made and mass production will commence in 2000.

- Calorimetry

The coil radius is large enough to install essentially all the calorimetry inside and hence avoid the coil-electromagnetic calorimeter interference. A high precision electromagnetic calorimeter (ECAL) using lead tungstate (PbWO_4) crystals has been chosen. Lead

tungstate is a dense and relatively easy crystal to grow from readily available raw materials and substantial production capacity already exists. Scintillating crystals such as lead tungstate offer the best energy resolution for electrons and photons. The scintillation light is detected by silicon avalanche photodiodes in the barrel region (EB, $|\eta| < 1.48$) and vacuum photodiodes in the endcap region (EE, $1.48 < |\eta| < 3.0$). The expected energy resolution is better than 0.6% for electrons and photons with energies greater than 75 GeV. For example an energy resolution of 0.45% is measured in a test beam for 280 GeV electrons. A preshower system is installed in front of the ECAL (EB, EF) at high luminosities to measure the photon direction in the region $|\eta| \leq 1.1$, and π^0 rejection at all luminosities in the endcap ($1.6 \leq |\eta| \leq 2.6$). The ECAL is followed by a copper/scintillator sampling hadronic calorimeter (HB, HF). The light is channelled by clear fibres fused to wave-length shifting fibres embedded in scintillator plates. The light is detected by photodetectors that can provide gain and operate in high axial magnetic fields (proximity-focussed hybrid photodiodes). Coverage up to rapidities of 5.0 is provided by a Cu/quartz fibre calorimeter. The Cerenkov light emitted in the quartz fibres is detected by photomultipliers. Several thousand crystals have been delivered and a production prototype supermodule will be assembled and tested in 2000. Beam tests of production prototype HCAL modules have been carried out and mass production has started.

- Trigger and Data Acquisition

The trigger and data acquisition consists of four parts: the front-end detector electronics, the calorimeter and muon first level trigger processors, the readout network and an on-line event filter system. The first two parts are synchronous and pipelined with a pipeline depth corresponding to $\approx 3 \mu\text{s}$. The latter two are asynchronous and based on industry standard data communication components and commercial RISC processors. The resources that would have been required for a hardware second level trigger processors are invested in a high bandwidth ($\approx 500 \text{ Gbit/s}$) readout network and in the event filter processing power (10^6 - 10^7 MIPs), both of which are more suitable for upgrading as commercially available technology develops.

- Software and Computing

CMS has moved from Fortran to C++ and "Object Oriented" approach for software. This and OO database system are being used in the test beams and for studies of higher-level triggers. The data-storage, networking and processing power needed to analyse CMS data are well in excess of those of today's facilities. The optimum mixture of storage, networking and processing evolves and is the subject of study in the context of the CMS Computing Model.

- Physics Performance

Although high luminosity is essential to cover the entire range of mechanisms of electroweak symmetry-breaking, the LHC machine will start at significantly lower luminosities ($L \leq 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$). The pixel detectors and the PbWO_4 crystal electromagnetic calorimeter considerably enhance the discovery potential of CMS at low luminosities.

A Standard Model (SM) Higgs boson with mass between 95 and 150 GeV would be discovered via its two photon decay after an integrated luminosity of about $3 \cdot 10^4 \text{ pb}^{-1}$. The same integrated luminosity gives a discovery range covering masses from 135 to 525 GeV in the four lepton (e or μ) channel, with only a small gap in the coverage

around $2 m_w$. An integrated luminosity of 10^5 pb^{-1} (taken at $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$) would allow discovery via these channels over the full range between 85 and 700 GeV. Tagging the events produced by WW- and ZZ-fusion by detecting characteristic forward jets, and using decay modes with larger branching ratios ($H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow l\nu jj$, and $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow lljj$), should allow the discovery range for a SM Higgs boson to be extended up to 1 TeV for the same integrated luminosity.

The two photon and four lepton channels are also crucial for the discovery of a Higgs boson in the Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model (MSSM). Various channels involving the tau lepton ($h^0, H^0, A^0 \rightarrow \tau\tau, H^\pm \rightarrow \tau\nu$) help to cover much of the remaining allowed ($m_A, \tan\beta$) parameter space. Precise impact parameter measurements using the pixel detector play an important role here. Many physics studies have been carried out in the context of supergravity models (SUGRA). A many-point scan of the gaugino / scalar mass parameter space has been conducted. Squarks and gluinos weighing up to 2 TeV can be detected using, as signature, events with one or more charged leptons, missing transverse energy and two or more jets. Sleptons weighing as much as 400 GeV can be found by looking for events without hadronic jets, but with lepton pairs and missing transverse energy with distinctive kinematic characteristics. Three-lepton states are particularly promising for the detection of charinos and neutralinos. In many cascade decays a heavier neutralino is produced that subsequently decays into the lightest one with the emission of a pair of charged leptons. The spectrum of the di-lepton invariant masses shows a strikingly sharp end-point determined by the difference in neutralino masses. This feature can be used to select and almost fully reconstruct some events yielding e.g. the mass of the bottom squark. The above studies of specific SUSY models indicate that it is possible to detect and measure a large fraction of the expected SUSY spectrum in CMS. Within the SUGRA models it should be possible to determine the fundamental parameters at the GUT scale.

The copious production of B mesons at LHC opens the way for significant measurements of CP violation effects in the B system. Using the $B_d^0 \rightarrow J/\psi K_s^0$ and $B_d^0 \rightarrow \pi\pi$ channels two of the angles in the unitarity triangle can be measured. Furthermore, by observing the time development of $B_s^0 - \bar{B}_s^0$ oscillations, the mixing parameter x_s can be measured for values up to 20 - 25.

In addition to running as a proton-proton collider, LHC will be used to collide heavy ions at a centre of mass energy of 5.5 TeV per nucleon pair. A new form of deconfined hadronic matter, the quark-gluon plasma (QGP), should be formed at the resulting high energy densities ($4\text{-}8 \text{ GeV}/\text{fm}^3$). Work has been carried out to obtain detailed understanding of the capabilities of CMS for heavy-ion physics especially for signatures involving dimuon production, jet quenching and Z production. The formation of quark-gluon plasma in the heavy ion collisions is predicted to be signalled by a strong suppression of Y' and Y'' production relative to Y production when compared to pp collisions. The CMS detector is well suited to detect low momentum muons and reconstruct the Y, Y' and Y'' mesons produced. The good mass resolution ($\sigma=37 \text{ MeV}$ at Y mass), afforded by the 4T field, enables the measurement of the suppression.