

Selected tests of the Physics beyond the SM at LEP F.-L. Navarria / Bologna

FCNC via single top production
 Compositeness: searching for excited leptons
 Graviton production/exchange and extra dimensions

Introduction

• ALEPH, DELPHI, L3, OPAL data samples about 2.4 fb⁻¹ (~600pb⁻¹ per experiment) at $\sqrt{s} = 189-209$ GeV (1998-2000)

LEP EXOTICA WG: combination of all non-Higgs and non-SUSY searches at LEP2 – some combinations (single t, excited leptons) available since 2001 (and still preliminary) – new one (extra dimensions) in summer 2004!
aim: restrict the space of the parameters of some extensions of the SM
main searches published by all experiments, but some

analyses still under way

• statistical procedure adopted for the combination of the different channels (same or different experiments): likelihood ratio method

Flavour-Changing-Neutral-Currents (FCNC) are known to be absent at tree level in the Standard Model. Neutral currents such as $e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{q}$ can be present at the one loop level, but the rates are severely suppressed.

In SM: Single Top Production is $O(10^{-9})$ fb at LEP2 Energies

This opens the possibility of using the corresponding FCNC processes to probe for new physics !

One loop level in SM (GIM) BR($t \rightarrow (\gamma,g,Z) + c(u)$) < 10^{-10}

 Supersymmetry and multi-Higgs doublet models predict
 FCNC at tree level
 FCNC coupled singlet quarks, compositeness, or dynamical
 ew symmetry breaking → BR
 ~ 10⁻²

Look fore^+e^- \rightarrow tc(u)ot LEPep \rightarrow teXot HERAt \rightarrow Z(y)c(u)ot Tevatron



Flavour changing vertices are present in many extensions of the SM which could enhance the production of the top quarks.

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Preliminary (2001) combination, all experiments have published final results: A(2002), D(2004), L(2002), O(2001)



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bi: MC background events

s_i: Number of signal events N: Number of data channels

$$\sigma_{95}^{
m obs.} = rac{s_{
m tot}/\epsilon}{\mathcal{L}}$$

Xsection limit at each C.M energy with signal efficiency ϵ and luminosity \mathcal{L} :

 $CL_{s} = \prod_{i=1}^{N} \frac{e^{-(s_{i}+b_{i})}(s_{i}+b_{i})^{n_{i}}}{n_{i}!} / \prod_{i=1}^{N} \frac{e^{-b_{i}}b_{i}^{n_{i}}}{n_{i}!}$

Combination A+D+L+O [cross-section UL in pb] Label $m_{top} = 169 \, GeV/c$ $m_{top} = 1$ GeV/c^2 $m_{top} = 179 \,\text{GeV}/c$ (GeV) $\sigma_{95}^{\rm obs}$ σ_{os}^{exp} $\sigma_{95}^{obs.}$ $\sigma_{95}^{exp.}$ Tabs. Tas. 189 0.15 0.14 0.11 0.11 0.13 0.13 0.41 0.38 0.33 0.42 192 0.39 0.36 0.38 0.20 0.39 0.22 196 0.24 0.36 200 0.24 0.26 0.24 0.21 0.21 0.20 0.27 0.35 202 0.31 0.40 0.30 0.35 205 0.27 0.22 0.25 0.23 0.24 0.28 207 0.19 0.20

The most intriguing finding so far in single top production is the H1 leptonic events at HERA (<u>but</u> no evidence in the hadronic channel) or in ZEUS



m_t = 175 (174) GeV D,L (A,O)



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H1

Substructure at an energy scale $\Lambda \implies$ Excited leptons $\ell^* \& \nu^*$

Decay promptly $\begin{cases} \ell^* \to \ell\gamma, \nu W, \ell Z \\ \nu^* \to \nu\gamma, \ell W, \nu Z \end{cases}$



Control strength of weak/EM couplings (e.g. f=f' no $\nu_e^* \rightarrow \nu_e \gamma$ f=-f' no $e^* \rightarrow e\gamma$)

> pair production, $\sigma = \sigma(m^*,s)$, e.g. 0.6(0.3) pb m=101 GeV, \sqrt{s} =206 GeV for $\mu^*\mu^*(v^*v^*)$

single production, σ depends on f/A and f'/A

Compositeness



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$$\gamma/Z^0$$
 γ/Z^0 Discovery up to $M_{\ell^-} \sim \sqrt{s}/2$

Single production of Excited Leptons



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Large extra dimensions

Hierarchy problem M²_{ew} << M²_{PI}

 $(\sim 10^{3} \text{GeV})^{2} << (\sim 10^{19} \text{GeV})^{2}$

Solution (ADD) - D = 3+n+1 dimensional space-time

M²_{Pl} ~ Rⁿ M²⁺ⁿ_D

with $M_D \sim 1 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow R = 0.3 \text{ mm}$, 10 pm, 30 fm for n-dim = 2,4,6 (compactification on a torus (flat ed) $G_N^{-1} = 8\pi R^n M_D^{n+2}$)

n = 1 excluded by behaviour of Newton's law at solar-system scales
ew & strong tested to ~(100 GeV)⁻¹ ≈ 10⁻¹⁵ mm, but gravity tested only to ~ 1 mm → deviation (?) from 3-dim at small distances
SIM fields on the 3-dim brane, graviton propagates in the bulk → weakness of gravity, coupling ~ 1/MPI, graviton expanded in KK tower of massive states, m ~1/R



•no deviation is observed wrt SM background •preliminary combination DELPHI+L3 (with ALEPH included via likelihoods reconstructed from fitted M_D 's vs n) – OPAL published results up to 189 GeV





combined

individual experiments

n	$M_D ~({ m TeV})$					
	ALEPH [7]	DELPHI [8]	L3 [9]	OPAL [10]		
2	1.26	1.31	1.50	1.09		
3	0.95	1.02	1.14	0.86		
4	0.77	0.82	0.91	0.71		
5	0.65	0.67	0.76	0.61		
6	0.57	0.58	0.65	0.53		

n	$(1/M_D)^{n+2}$		$M_D~({ m TeV})$	$R~({ m mm})$
2	-0.02 ± 0.08	${\rm TeV}^{-4}$	> 1.60	< 0.19
3	-0.09 ± 0.22	${\rm TeV}^{-5}$	> 1.20	$< 2.6 \times 10^{-6}$
4	-0.3 ± 0.8	${\rm TeV}^{-6}$	> 0.94	$< 1.1 \times 10^{-8}$
5	-0.9 ± 3.3	${\rm TeV}^{-7}$	> 0.77	$< 4.1 \times 10^{-10}$
6	-4.8 ± 15.2	${\rm TeV}^{-8}$	> 0.66	$< 4.6 \times 10^{-11}$





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Extra Dimensions: beyond rigidity & flatness

L3: $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tilde{\pi}\tilde{\pi}\gamma \& \tilde{\pi}\pi Z$, branons, new scalars <-> brane fluctuations along ED (natural candidate for DM) – coupling ~f, brane tension,

-search complements G production:

f >> M_F , gravity scale => G's accessible 1st; f << M_F => π , f ~

-look for E miss., no signal above SM background

elastic brane $f \rightarrow 0$ M>103GeV massless brane M=0 f>180GeV





OPAL: within RS model ("warped" geometry) spinless inter-brane fluctuation $r_0 \rightarrow r_0 + \Delta r$ - since radion r & SM H can mix (same q.n.), at LEP2 $e^+e^- \rightarrow Zr$ or Zh with r,h mass eigenstates - use σ limits from SM H, flavour indep. had. decaying H & decay mode indep. H searches -> restrict RS parameter space - m_r , m_h , $\Lambda_W \sim O(1 \text{ TeV})$, mass scale on SM brane, ξ , mixing parameter (ξ =0, h = SM H) - r couplings $\propto m_{part}$ (reduced by v/($\sqrt{6} \Lambda_W$) wrt SM H) but r couples to g

=> BR of h particle to HQ & leptons may be reduced (h \rightarrow gg)



- $\xi \neq 0 \rightarrow$ mass limit generally lower & decreasing with decreasing Λ_W (lowest for m_r>m_h)
- for all ξ , m_r, Λ_W m_h > 58 GeV @ 95% CL (54 GeV)



Conclusions

LEP2 analyses have addressed new phenomena beyond the SM and searched for new particles
no new phenomenon/particle has been found, and exclusion limits have been set at 95% CL for FCNC, compositeness, extra dimensions etc.
final results of the individual experiments are now available on the main topics, but combinations and some particular analyses are still preliminary