3. Towards Physics: Reconstruction and Kinematics

- 3.1 Event selection, Trigger
- 3.2 First results on the performance of the LHC detectors
- 3.3 Relativistic Kinematics (repetition from Particle Physics II)
- 3.4 Important variables for pp collisions

Erwartete Produktionsraten am LHC



How to Select Interesting Events?

- Bunch crossing rate: 40 MHz, ~25 interactions per BX (10⁹ events/s)
 - an only record ~1000 event/s (~1 MB each), still 1 GB/s data rate
- Need highly efficient and highly selective TRIGGER
 - raw event data (70 TB/s) are stored in pipeline until trigger decision



- ATLAS trigger has 3 levels (CMS similar with 2 levels)
 - Level-1: hardware, ~2.5 µs decision time, 40 MHz → 100 kHz
 - → High-level triggger: software (O(20k cores)), ~200 ms decision time, 100 kHz → 1 kHz

ATLAS Trigger System



Main trigger objects: at Level 1:

- e/γ clusters (calo)
- Muons (muon)
- Jets (high p_{T} calo)
- Missing transverse energy (calo)

LHC data handling, GRID computing



Trigger system selects ~1000 "collisions" per sec.

LHC data volume per year: 10-15 Petabytes = 10-15 ·10¹⁵ Byte

From Physics to Raw Data



- Actually recorded are raw data with ~1 GB/s for ATLAS and CMS
 - mainly electronics numbers
 - e.g. number of a detector element where the ADC (Analog-to-Digital converter) measured a signal with x counts...

From Raw Data To Physics



We need to go from raw data back to physics
 reconstruction + analysis of the event(s)

Towards Physics:

some aspects of reconstruction of physics objects

• As discussed before, key signatures at Hadron Colliders are

- Leptons: e (tracking + very good electromagnetic calorimetry)
 - μ (dedicated muon systems, combination of inner tracking and muon spectrometers)
 - τ hadronic decays: $τ → π^+ + n π^0 + ν$ (1 prong) → $π^+π^-π^+ + n π^0 + ν$ (3 prong)
- **Photons**: γ (tracking + very good electromagnetic calorimetry)

Jets:electromagnetic and hadronic calorimetersb-jetsidentification of b-jets (b-tagging) important for many physics
studies

Missing transverse energy: inferred from the measurement of the total energy in the calorimeters; needs understanding of all components... response of the calorimeter to low energy particles

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Requirements on e/y Identification in ATLAS/CMS

- Electron identification
- ★ Isolated electrons: e/jet separation
 - $R_{iet} \sim 10^5$ needed in the range $p_T > 20$ GeV
 - $R_{iet} \sim 10^6$ for a pure electron inclusive sample ($\varepsilon_e \sim 60-70\%$)
- Soft electron identification e/π separation
 - B physics studies (J/ψ)
 - Soft electron b-tagging (WH, ttH with $H \rightarrow bb$)

Photon identification

- * γ /jet and γ/π^0 separation
 - → Main reducible background to $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ comes from jet-jet and is ~ 2 · 10⁶ larger than signal
 - \Rightarrow R_{jet} ~5000 in the range E_T >25 GeV
 - R (isolated high- $p_T \pi^0$) ~3
- Identification of conversions

Jet reconstruction and energy measurement

- A jet is NOT a well defined object (fragmentation, gluon radiation, detector response)
- The detector response is different for particles interacting electromagnetically (e,γ) and for hadrons

 \rightarrow for comparisons with theory, one needs to correct back the calorimeter energies to the "particle level" (particle jet)

Common ground between theory and experiment

- One needs an algorithm to define a jet and to measure its energy conflicting requirements between experiment and theory (exp. simple, e.g. cone algorithm, vs. theoretically sound (no infrared divergencies))
- Energy corrections for losses of fragmentation products outside jet definition and underlying event or pileup energy inside



Main corrections:

- In general, calorimeters show different response to electrons/photons and hadrons
- Subtraction of offset energy not originating from the hard scattering (inside the same collision or pile-up contributions, use minimum bias data to extract this)
- Correction for jet energy out of cone (corrected with jet data + Monte Carlo simulations)



3.2 First results on the performance of the LHC Detectors



3.2 Detector Performance



Detector Hardware Status in 2010



Subdetector	Number of Channels	Operational Fraction
Pixels	80 M	97.9%
SCT Silicon Strips	6.3 M	99.3%
TRT Transition Radiation Tracker	350 k	98.2%
LAr EM Calorimeter	170 k	98.8%
Tile calorimeter	9800	99.2%
Hadronic endcap LAr calorimeter	5600	99.9%
Forward LAr calorimeter	3500	100%
MDT Muon Drift Tubes	350 k	99.7%
CSC Cathode Strip Chambers	31 k	98.4%
RPC Barrel Muon Trigger	370 k	98.5%
TGC Endcap Muon Trigger	320 k	99.4%
LVL1 Calo trigger	7160	99.8%

Very small number of non-working detector channels (out of several millions) in both experiments



Tracking

(i) Inner Detector performance: hits, tracks,...





Very good alignment of the silicon detector modules



Very good agreement between data and Monte Carlo for the average number of hits on track



Secondary vertices for "x-ray" images of the detector material

Pile-up:

- In-time pile-up: simultaneous pp interactions in the same bunch crossing
- Out-of-time pile-up: Time resolution of some subdetectors >25 ns, thus, integrate measurement from several bunch crossings







(ii) How well can b-quarks be tagged ?



- b quarks fragment into B hadrons (mesons and baryons)
- B mesons have a lifetime of ~1.5 ps
 They fly in the detector about 2-3 mm before they decay
 - → reconstruction of a secondary vertex possible (requires high granularity silicon pixel and strip detectors close to the interaction point)
 - → tracks from B meson decays have a large impact parameter w.r.t. the primary vertex



.... towards b-tagging



An example of a jet tagged with the secondary vertex tagger (SV0) (Light jet probability: 10⁻⁴)

... CMS b-tagged candidate event



ATLAS results on b-tagging performance:



Distribution of the signed transverse impact parameter with respect to primary vertex for tracks of b-tagging quality associated to jets, for experimental data (solid black points) and for simulated data (filled histograms for the various flavors). The ratio data/simulation is shown at the bottom of the plot.



Light-jet rejection as a function of the b-jet tagging efficiency for the early tagging algorithms (IP3D+SV1 and SV0) and for the high performance algorithms, based on simulated top-antitop events.

(iii) Some performance figures on photons from 2012 data:



Energy resolution of unconverted photons in ATLAS (compare to calorimetry lecture)

(iii) Some performance figures on electrons from 2012 data:



Electron energy response stability in ATLAS

(iii) Some performance figures on electrons from 2012 data:



Electron ID efficiency in ATLAS

An example of a two-jet event reconstructed in ATLAS



(iv) Some performance figures on jet-energy scale from 2011 data:



(v) How well can the missing transverse energy be measured ?



Distribution of E_T^{miss} as measured in a data sample of $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ events. The expectation from Monte Carlo simulation is superimposed (histogram) and normalized to data, after each Monte Carlo sample is weighted with its corresponding cross-section. The ratio of the data distribution and the Monte Carlo distribution is shown below the plot. Resolution of E_x^{miss} and E_y^{miss} as a function of the total transverse energy in the event calculated by summing the p_T of muons and the total calorimeter energy. The resolution in $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ events is compared between data taken at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and the corresponding Monte Carlo.

$$\sigma(E_{x,y}^{\mathrm{miss}}) = a \oplus b \sqrt{\sum E_{\mathrm{T}}}$$

(vi) Muons





<u>µ+µ− mass spectrum</u>

Well known resonances. Observed widths depend on p_T resolution. Again, check for biases in mass value as a function of η , ϕ , p_T ...



Observe influence of dedicated trigger paths

3.3 Relativistic Kinematics

Throughout this section, natural units are used, i.e. hbar = c = 1.

The following conversions are useful: hbar c = 197.3 MeV fm (hbar c)² = 0.3894 (GeV)²

Lorentz Transformations

4-vector $p = (E, \vec{p})$ $p^2 \equiv E^2 - |\vec{p}|^2 = m^2$ velocity of the particle $\beta = |\vec{p}|/E$

 (E^*, \vec{p}^*) viewed from a frame moving with velocity β

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{E}^* \\ \boldsymbol{\rho}_{\parallel}^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & -\gamma\beta \\ -\gamma\beta & \gamma \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{E} \\ \boldsymbol{\rho}_{\parallel} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \boldsymbol{\rho}_{\tau}^* = \boldsymbol{\rho}_{\tau} \qquad \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}}$$

where $p_T(p_{\parallel})$ are the components of \vec{p} perpendicular (parallel) to β

Lorentz Transformations (cont.)

Other 4-vectors transform in the same way:

e.g. space-time vectors $x = (t, \mathbf{x})$

Scalar products of four-vectors are Lorentz invariant, independent of the reference frame:

$$\boldsymbol{p}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{p}_2 = \boldsymbol{E}_1 \boldsymbol{E}_2 - \boldsymbol{\vec{p}}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\vec{p}}_2$$

Therefore quantities like cross sections are expressed in terms of scalar products of four-vectors.

Centre-of-mass energy

 In the collision of two particles with masses m₁ and m₂ the total centre-of-mass energy can be expressed in the Lorentz-invariant form:

$$E_{cm} = \left[\left(E_1 + E_2 \right)^2 - \left(\boldsymbol{p}_1 + \boldsymbol{p}_2 \right)^2 \right]^{1/2},$$
$$= \left[m_1^2 + m_2^2 + 2E_1 E_2 (1 - \beta_1 \beta_2 \cos \theta) \right]^{1/2}$$

where θ is the angle between the particles.

Laboratory Frame

In the laboratory frame, one of the particles, e.g. particle 2, is at rest. The centre-of-mass energy is then given by:

$$E_{cm} = (m_1^2 + m_2^2 + 2E_{1lab}m_2)^{1/2}$$

The velocity of the centre-of-mass system in the lab frame is:

$$\beta_{cm} = \boldsymbol{p}_{lab} / (E_{1lab} + m_2),$$

where
$$\boldsymbol{p}_{lab} \equiv \boldsymbol{p}_{1lab}$$
 and $\gamma_{cm} = (E_{1lab} + m_2) / E_{cm}$

The centre-of-mass momenta of particles 1 and 2 are of magnitude

$$p_{cm} = p_{lab} \frac{m_2}{E_{cm}}.$$

Examples

 A beam of K⁺ mesons with a momentum of 800 MeV hits a proton target at rest.

 m_{K} = 493.7 MeV, m_{p} = 938 MeV, p_{K} = 0.80 GeV

Then the centre-of-mass energy is calculated to be: $E_{cm} = 1.699 \text{ GeV}$ $p_{cm} = 0.442 \text{ GeV}$

At the LHC protons collide in their centre-of-mass system with a centre-of-mass energy of 14 TeV.

This corresponds to an energy of an incoming proton in a fixed target experiment (protons on protons) of ~ 10^{17} GeV

(such energies can only be reached in cosmic rays! but flux is not high enough to produce large numbers of interesting particles)

Comparison with cosmic rays

Primary cosmic ray spectrum



⇒ existance of very powerful cosmic accelerators. How do they work ?

GZK (Greisen-Zatsepin-Kuzmin) Limit

The sharp drop in the cosmic ray spectrum at 10²⁰ eV is explained by interactions of protons with photons from cosmic background radiation

$$\begin{split} \gamma_{CMB} + p &\rightarrow \Delta^+ \rightarrow p + \pi \\ E_{\gamma} = kT = 2.6 \cdot 10^{-4} eV(T = 3K) \\ E_p = 1 \cdot 10^{20} eV \\ E_{cms} \approx 1 GeV \end{split}$$

At CMS energies around 1 GeV the cross sections for π -production through the Δ -resonance becomes large. Thus protons loose energy.

Cosmic protons at this energy have a mean free path of 160 MLy (GZK horizon). Thus extragalactic protons with energies larger than 10²⁰ eV should not reach the earth. Recent measurements of the Auger experiment confirm this cut-off.



The combined energy spectrum is dotted with two functions and compared to data from the HiRes instrument. The systematic uncertainty of the flux scaled by E^3 due to the uncertainty of the energy scale of 22% is indicated by arrows.

Lorentz invariant amplitudes

The matrix elements for the scattering or decay process are written in terms of an invariant amplitude -i M. As an example, the S-matrix for 2 \rightarrow 2 scattering is related to M by

$$\left\langle p_{1}^{'} p_{2}^{'} | S | p_{1} p_{2} \right\rangle = I - i(2\pi)^{4} \delta^{4}(p_{1} + p_{2} - p_{1}^{'} - p_{2}^{'})$$

$$\times \frac{M(p_{1}, p_{2}; p_{1}^{'}, p_{2}^{'})}{(2E_{1})^{1/2} (2E_{2})^{1/2} (2E_{1}^{'})^{1/2} (2E_{2}^{'})^{1/2}}$$

The normalization is such that

$$\langle p' | p \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta^3 (\boldsymbol{p} - \boldsymbol{p}')$$

The task is to calculate the invariant amplitude M for a given physics process. In particle physics this is achieved using the Feynman calculus (see lecture on Particle Physics II)

Particle Decays

The partial decay rate of a particle of mass m into n bodies in its rest frame is given in terms of the Lorentz-invariant matrix element M by

$$d\Gamma = \frac{(2\pi)^4}{2m} |M|^2 d\Phi_n(P; p_1, \underline{\rightarrow}, p_n)$$

where $d\Phi_n$ is an element of n-body phase space given by:

$$d\Phi_n(P; p_1, \underline{\rightarrow}, p_n) = \delta^4(P - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i) \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{d^3 p_i}{(2\pi)^3 2E_i}$$

Survival probability of Decay

If a particle of mass *m* has a mean proper lifetime of τ (=1/ Γ) and an energymomentum 4-vector of (*E*,*p*), then the probability that it lives for a time *t* or greater before decaying is given by

$$P(t) = e^{-t \Gamma/\gamma} = e^{-mt\Gamma/E}$$

and the probability that it travels a distance *x* or greater is

$$P(x) = e^{-mx\Gamma/|\boldsymbol{p}|}$$

Example (i): Two-Body Decay

In the rest frame of a particle of mass m, decaying into two particles labelled 1 and 2

$$E_{1} = \frac{m^{2} - m_{2}^{2} + m_{1}^{2}}{2m},$$

$$|p_{1}| \models p_{2}|$$

$$= \frac{\left[\left(m^{2} - (m_{1} + m_{2})^{2}\right)\left(m^{2} - (m_{1} - m_{2})^{2}\right)\right]^{1/2}}{2m},$$

$$d\Gamma = \frac{1}{32\pi^{2}}|M|^{2}\frac{|p_{1}|}{m^{2}}d\Omega,$$



where $d\Omega = d\phi_1 d(\cos \theta_1)$ is the solid angle of particle 1

The invariant mass *m* of the mother particle in a two-body decay is given by $m = E_{cm}$ using the previous formula:

$$E_{cm} = \left[(E_1 + E_2)^2 - (p_1 + p_2)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$
$$= \left[m_1^2 + m_2^2 + 2E_1 E_2 (1 - \beta_1 \beta_2 \cos \theta) \right]^{1/2}$$

Generalisation: the invariant mass of n particles is given by:

 $m = (p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + \dots + p_n)^2$

Example (ii): Three-Body Decay



Defining $p_{ij} = p_i + p_j$ and $m_{ij}^2 = p_{ij}^2$

then $m_{12}^2 + m_{23}^2 + m_{13}^2 = m^2 + m_1^2 + m_2^2 + m_3^2$

and $m_{12}^2 = (P - p_3)^2 = m^2 + m_3^2 - 2 mE_3$

 E_3 is the energy of particle 3 in the rest frame of *m*.

In that frame, the momenta of the three decay particles lie in a plane.

The relative orientation of these three momenta is fixed if their energies are known. The momenta can therefore be specified in space by giving three Euler angles (α,β,γ) that specify the orientation of the final system relative to the initial particle

$$d\Gamma = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^5} \frac{1}{16M} |M|^2 dE_1 dE_2 d\alpha d(\cos\beta) d\gamma$$

Alternatively

$$d\Gamma = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^5} \frac{1}{16M^2} |M|^2 |p_1^*| |p_3| dm_{12} d\Omega_1^* d\Omega_3$$

where $(|\mathbf{p}_1^*|, \Omega_1^*)$ is the momentum of particle 1 in the rest frame of 1 and 2,

and Ω_3 is the angle of particle 3 in the rest frame of the decaying particle.

Three-Body Decay (cont.)

$$| \mathbf{p}_{1}^{*} | \text{ and } | \mathbf{p}_{3} | \text{ are given by}$$

$$| \mathbf{p}_{1}^{*} | = \frac{\left[(m_{12}^{2} - (m_{1} + m_{2})^{2})(m_{12}^{2} - (m_{1} - m_{2})^{2}) \right]^{1/2}}{2m_{12}}$$

$$| \mathbf{p}_{3} | = \frac{\left[(m^{2} - (m_{12} + m_{3})^{2})(m^{2} - (m_{12} - m_{3})^{2}) \right]^{1/2}}{2m}$$

Sequential 2-Body Decays



Particles participating in sequential two-body decay chain. Particles labeled 1 and 2 are visible while the particle terminating the chain (a) is invisible.

$$(m_{12}^{\text{max}})^2 = \frac{(m_{\rm c}^2 - m_{\rm b}^2)(m_{\rm b}^2 - m_{\rm a}^2)}{m_{\rm b}^2}$$
, provide

provided particles 1 and 2 are massless.

$$(m_{12}^{\rm max})^2 = m_1^2 + \frac{(m_{\rm c}^2 - m_{\rm b}^2)}{2m_{\rm b}^2} \times$$
$$\left(m_1^2 + m_{\rm b}^2 - m_{\rm a}^2 + \sqrt{(-m_1^2 + m_{\rm b}^2 - m_{\rm a}^2)^2 - 4m_1^2 m_{\rm a}^2}\right)$$

If visible particle 1 has non-zero mass m_1

Differential Cross Section



$$d\sigma = \frac{(2\pi)^4 |\mathcal{M}|^2}{4\sqrt{(p_1 \cdot p_2)^2 - m_1^2 m_2^2}}$$

× $d\Phi_n(p_1 + p_2; p_3, \dots, p_{n+2})$.

In the rest frame of m_2 (lab)

$$\sqrt{(p_1 \cdot p_2)^2 - m_1^2 m_2^2} = m_2 p_{1 \, \text{lab}}$$

In the centre-of-mass frame

$$\sqrt{(p_1 \cdot p_2)^2 - m_1^2 m_2^2} = p_{1 \text{cm}} \sqrt{s}$$

Mandelstam Variables (two-to-two process)



$$s = (p_1 + p_2)^2 = (p_3 + p_4)^2$$

= $m_1^2 + 2E_1E_2 - 2p_1 \cdot p_2 + m_2^2$,
 $t = (p_1 - p_3)^2 = (p_2 - p_4)^2$
= $m_1^2 - 2E_1E_3 + 2p_1 \cdot p_3 + m_3^2$,
 $u = (p_1 - p_4)^2 = (p_2 - p_3)^2$
= $m_1^2 - 2E_1E_4 + 2p_1 \cdot p_4 + m_4^2$,

$$s + t + u = m_1^2 + m_2^2 + m_3^2 + m_4^2$$
.

Cross section



Using the relations given above, the two-body cross section can be written as:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{1}{64\pi s} \; \frac{1}{|\boldsymbol{p}_{1\mathrm{cm}}|^2} \; |\mathscr{M}|^2$$

Advantage to use Lorentz invariant quantities, like *t*.

The variable t is given by:

$$t = (E_{1\rm cm} - E_{3\rm cm})^2 - (p_{1\rm cm} - p_{3\rm cm})^2 - 4p_{1\rm cm} \ p_{3\rm cm} \ \sin^2(\theta_{\rm cm}/2)$$
$$= t_0 - 4p_{1\rm cm} \ p_{3\rm cm} \ \sin^2(\theta_{\rm cm}/2)$$

where θ_{cm} is the angle between particle 1 and 3.

The limiting values $t_0 (\theta_{cm} = 0)$ and $t_1 (\theta_{cm} = \pi)$ for 2 \rightarrow 2 scattering are

$$t_0(t_1) = \left[rac{m_1^2 - m_3^2 - m_2^2 + m_4^2}{2\sqrt{s}}
ight]^2 - (p_{1\,\mathrm{cm}} \mp p_{3\,\mathrm{cm}})^2$$

The centre-of-mass energies and momenta of the incoming particles are

$$E_{1\rm cm} = rac{s+m_1^2-m_2^2}{2\sqrt{s}} \ , \qquad E_{2\rm cm} = rac{s+m_2^2-m_1^2}{2\sqrt{s}}$$

For E_{3cm} and E_{4cm} , change m_1 to m_3 and m_2 to m_4 (same particles).

$$p_{i\,\mathrm{cm}}=\sqrt{E_{i\,\mathrm{cm}}^2-m_i^2}$$
 and $p_{1\mathrm{cm}}=\frac{p_{1\,\mathrm{lab}}\ m_2}{\sqrt{s}}$

Here the subscript lab refers to the frame where particle 2 is at rest.

3.4 Important kinematic Variables in pp collisions

(i) Rapidity y

Usually the beam direction is defined as the z axis (Transverse plane: x-y plane).

The rapidity y is defined as:

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z} \right) = \tanh^{-1} \left(\frac{p_z}{E} \right)$$

Under a Lorentz boost in the z-direction to a frame with velocity β

the rapidity y transforms as:

$$y \rightarrow y - \tanh^{-1}\beta$$

Hence the shape of the rapidity distribution dN/dy is invariant, as are differences in rapidity.

(ii) Pseudorapidity η

Rapidity: $y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z} \right) = \tanh^{-1} \left(\frac{p_z}{E} \right)$

For $p \gg m$, the rapidity may be expanded to obtain

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{\cos^2(\theta/2) + m^2/4p^2 + \dots}{\sin^2(\theta/2) + m^2/4p^2 + \dots}$$
$$\approx -\ln \tan(\theta/2) \equiv \eta$$

where $\cos \theta = p_z/p$.

Identities: $\sinh \eta = \cot \theta$, $\cosh \eta = 1/\sin \theta$, $\tanh \eta = \cos \theta$

Relation between pseudorapidity η and polar angle θ



(iii) Distance in $\eta \Box \phi$ space:



Rapidity y: $y = 1/2\ln[(E + p_z)/(E - p_z)]$ Pseudorapidity η : $\eta = -\ln \tan(\theta/2)$ Distance in η - ϕ : $\Delta R = \sqrt{\Delta \eta^2 + \Delta \phi^2}$

(iv) Invariant cross section

The invariant cross section may also be rewritten

$$E \frac{d^3 \sigma}{d^3 p} = \frac{d^3 \sigma}{d \phi \, dy \, p_T dp_T} \Longrightarrow \frac{d^2 \sigma}{\pi \, dy \, d(p_T^2)}$$

The second form is obtained using the identity $dy/dp_z = 1/E$.

The third form represents the average over ϕ .

(v) Transverse Energy

At hadron colliders, a significant and unknown proportion of the energy of the incoming hadrons in each event escapes down the beam-pipe. Consequently if invisible particles are created in the final state, their net momentum can only be constrained in the plane transverse to the beam direction. Defining the z-axis as the beam direction, this net momentum is equal to the missing transverse energy vector

missing transverse energy

$$\vec{E}_T^{ ext{miss}} = -\sum_i \vec{p}_T(i)$$

where the sum runs over the transverse momenta of all visible final state particles.

(vi) Momenta of invisible particles

Consider a single heavy particle of mass M produced in association with visible particles which decays to two particles, of which one (labelled particle 1) is invisible. The mass of the parent particle can be constrained with the quantity M_T defined by

Transverse mass

$$M_T^2 \equiv [E_T(1) + E_T(2)]^2 - [\vec{p}_T(1) + \vec{p}_T(2)]^2$$

= $m_1^2 + m_2^2 + 2[E_T(1)E_T(2) - \vec{p}_T(1) \cdot \vec{p}_T(2)]$

where

$$\vec{p}_T(1) = \vec{E}_T^{\text{miss}}$$

This quantity is called the transverse mass.

Transverse mass

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= $m_1^2 + m_2^2 + 2[E_T(1)E_T(2) - \vec{p}_T(1) \cdot \vec{p}_T(2)]$

where $\overrightarrow{p_T}(1) = \overrightarrow{E_T^{\mathrm{miss}}}$

The distribution of event M_T values possesses an end-point at

$$M_T^{\max} = M.$$

If
$$m_1 = m_2 = 0$$

$$M_T^2 = 2|\vec{p}_T(1)||\vec{p}_T(2)|(1 - \cos \phi_{12})|$$

where ϕ_{ij} is defined as the angle between particles i and j in the transverse plane.

Example: Transverse mass of the W boson

