

Elementary Particles II

Organization, Contents, Literature

Academic Year 2013-2014

Logistics & Human Resources

Time

Monday 11-13, Wednesday 15:30-17, Friday 9-11

But: Watch for changes..

Place

Aula Avogadro – Monday, Friday

Aula G - Wednesday

People

E.Menichetti – Lectures

Organization

6 CFU Course ~ 48 h

Exam Requirements

Oral examination

(Will include a 15' oral presentation on some agreed subject)

Exam Dates

Upon individual request

Course Web Page

<http://www.ph.unito.it/~menichet/PARTICELLE2.html>

Background

Required basic familiarity with:

[Special Relativity

Quantum Mechanics

Introductory Nuclear & Particle Physics]

Relativistic Quantum Mechanics

Accelerators and Detectors

Introductory Quantum Field Theory

First Half of Elementary Particle Physics

Contents

QCD

Color Gauge Theory, Gluons, Color Interaction, Asymptotic Freedom, Confinement, Perturbative QCD, Quarkonia

Electroweak Interaction

Fermi Theory, Unitarity Violations, Intermediate Vector Boson, Electroweak Unification, Neutral Currents, Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking, Discovery of W and Z, Tests of the Standard Model

To be decided among:

Higgs, Neutrinos, Quarkonia, BSM

Literature

| <i>Author(s)</i> | <i>Title</i> | <i>One word comment</i> |
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| General textbooks: | | |
| Braibant et al. | <i>Particles and Fundamental Interactions</i> | Experimental |
| Burcham and Jobes | <i>Nuclear and Particle Physics</i> | Detailed |
| Halzen and Martin | <i>Quark and Leptons</i> | Condensed |
| Leader and Predazzi | <i>An Introduction to Gauge Theories and Modern Particle Physics, voll. 1 e 2</i> | Complete |
| Seiden | <i>Particle Physics A Comprehensive Introduction</i> | Modern |
| Nagashima | <i>Elementary Particle Physics, voll. 1 e 2</i> | Global |
| Single subject books: (Mostly) Theory | | |
| F.J. Yndurain | <i>The Theory of Quark and Gluon Interactions</i> | Detailed |
| J. Horejsi | <i>Fundamentals of Electroweak Theory</i> | Clear |
| Single subject books: (Mostly) Experiment | | |
| G.Dissertori et al. | <i>Quantum Chromodynamics: High Energy Experiments and Theory</i> | Modern |
| R.Tenchini et al. | <i>The Physics of the Z and W Bosons</i> | Modern |
| Most useful single book (Theoretical): | | |
| Quigg | <i>Gauge Theories of the Strong, Weak, and Electromagnetic Interactions – 2nd ed.</i> | Pedagogical |
| Most useful single book (Experimental): | | |
| Bettini | <i>Introduction to Elementary Particle Physics</i> | Original |

Key Points

Guidelines:

*Little interference with the (many) theoretical courses
'Experimental/Phenomenological', whatever it means*

Difficult task (for both students *and* teacher):

Experimental particle physics notoriously difficult to either teach or learn in a classroom

Today's large experiments and machines operating conditions quite far from common experience, filled with extreme technology, sometimes hard to understand at first contact

Goal definitely worth the effort:

Exploration, Validation and Extension of the SM

One of the most exciting intellectual challenges/time killers available on the market