

FINDING SUPERSYMMETRY AT THE LHC

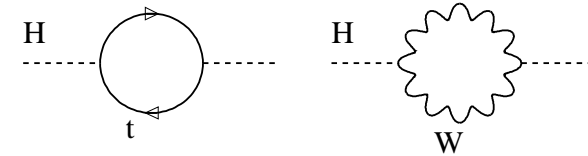
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- TeV–scale supersymmetry
- Signals at Tevatron and LHC
- Measurements at LHC
- Parameters at LHC (and ILC)

TeV-SCALE SUPERSYMMETRY: 1

Theory argument, starting from data...



- ...which seem to indicate a light Higgs
- problem of light Higgs: mass driven to cutoff of theory
$$\delta m_H^2 \propto g^2 (2m_W^2 + m_Z^2 + m_H^2 - 4m_t^2) \Lambda^2$$
- ⇒ easy solution: cancel loops with counter term ⇒ **artificial, unmotivated, ugly**
- ⇒ or new physics at TeV scale: **supersymmetry**
 - extra dimensions
 - little Higgs (pseudo-Goldstone Higgs)
 - Higgsless, composite Higgs, TopColor, YourFavoriteNewPhysics...
- ⇒ typically: cancellation with new particles or high scale discussed away
- ⇒ all beautiful concepts, problematic to realize at TeV scale [data seriously in the way]

Idea of supersymmetry: cancellation of divergences through statistics factor (-1)
[SM fermions to scalars; SM gauge bosons to fermions; SM scalars to fermions]

TeV-SCALE SUPERSYMMETRY: 2

SUSY idea: solve hierarchy problem by doubling spectrum

- stop scalars to cancel top loop [couplings protected]
- gauginos, higgsinos (neutral or charged) to cancel W, Z and Higgs loops
- gluino for 2-loop, plus sleptons and squarks
- ⇒ rich collider and non-collider phenomenology [broken SUSY effective theory of everything]
- ⇒ gauge coupling unification, dark matter, string inspiration,... [1-800-FIND-SUSY]
- ⇒ **argument turned around: big desert at LHC unexpected** [historical extrapolation]

SUSY-Higgs sector

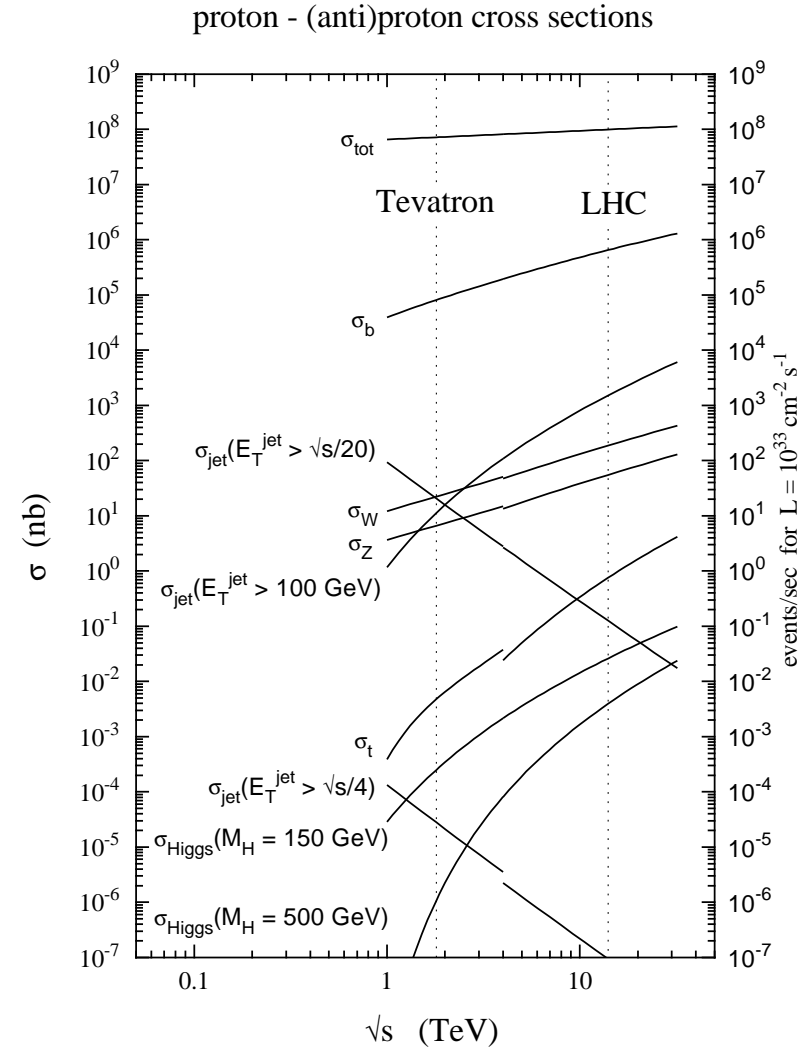
- hermitian Higgs field not allowed
 - how to give mass to t and b?
 - two Higgs doublets
- ⇒ SUSY-Higgs alone interesting at LHC
- ⇒ would be another talk...

		spin	d.o.f.	
fermion	f_L, f_R	1/2	1+1	
→ sfermion	\tilde{f}_L, \tilde{f}_R	0	1+1	
gluon	G_μ	1	n-2	
→ gluino	\tilde{g}	1/2	2	Majorana
gauge bosons	γ, Z	1	2+3	
Higgs bosons	h^0, H^0, A^0	0	3	
→ neutralinos	$\tilde{\chi}_i^0$	1/2	4 · 2	Majorana
gauge bosons	W^\pm	1	2 · 3	
Higgs bosons	H^\pm	0	2	
→ charginos	$\tilde{\chi}_i^\pm$	1/2	2 · 4	Dirac

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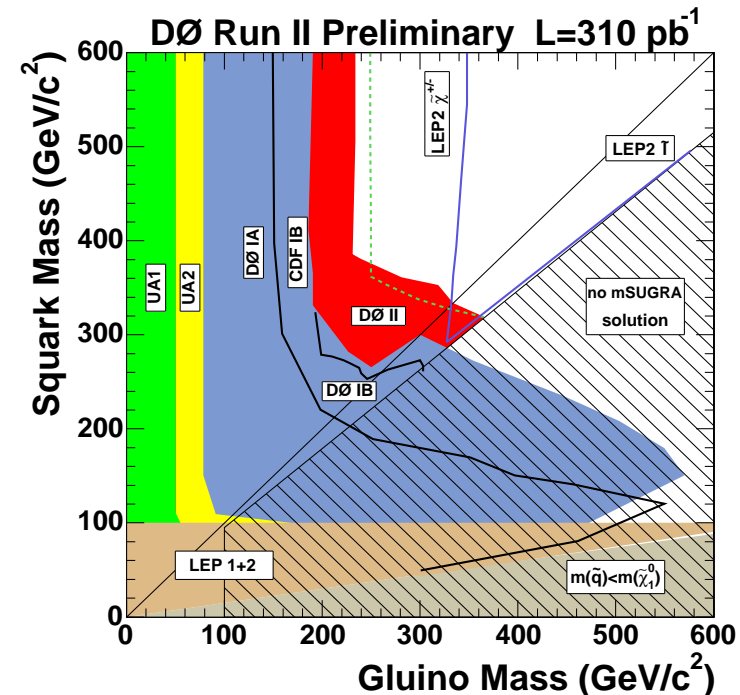
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Tevatron: inclusive squarks and gluinos

- squarks, gluinos strongly interacting: $g\tilde{q}\tilde{q}$, $q\tilde{q}\tilde{q}$, $g\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$ fixed by QCD
 - QCD cross sections: $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}^*$, $\tilde{q}\tilde{q}$, $\tilde{q}\tilde{g}$, $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$ [best if $m(\tilde{q}) \sim m(\tilde{g})$]
 - decays to jets and LSP [plus possible jets and leptons]
 - gaugino mass unification only for efficiency
- ⇒ **know how to do jets plus LSP**



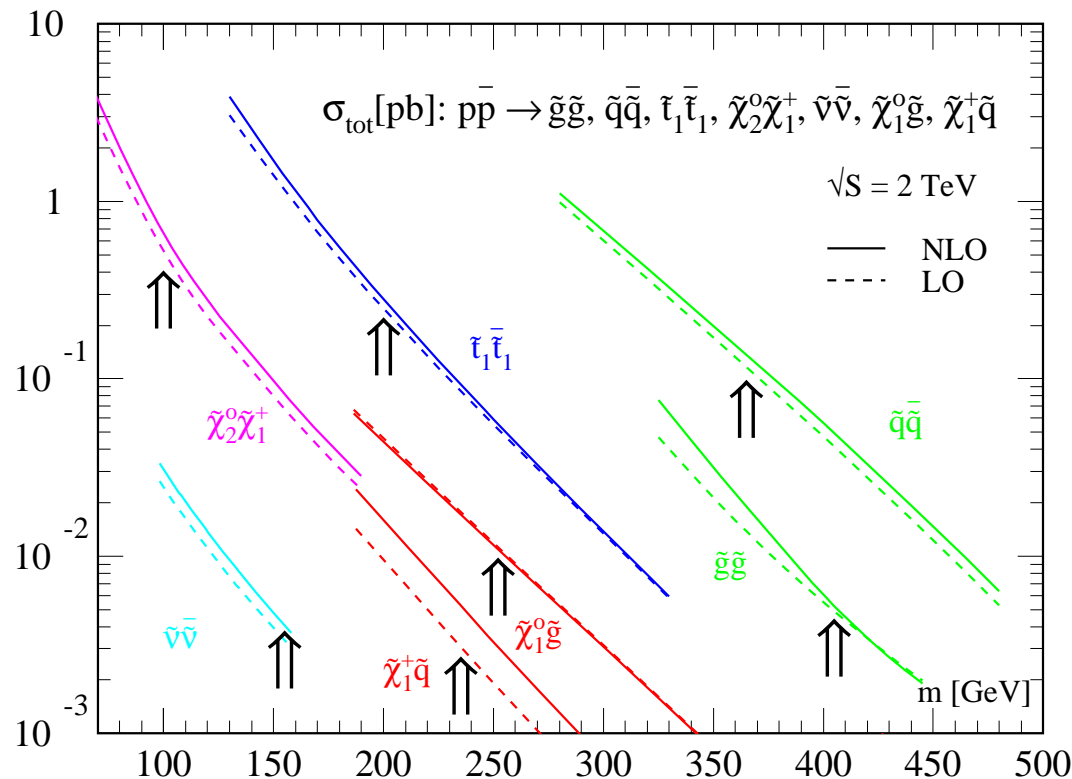
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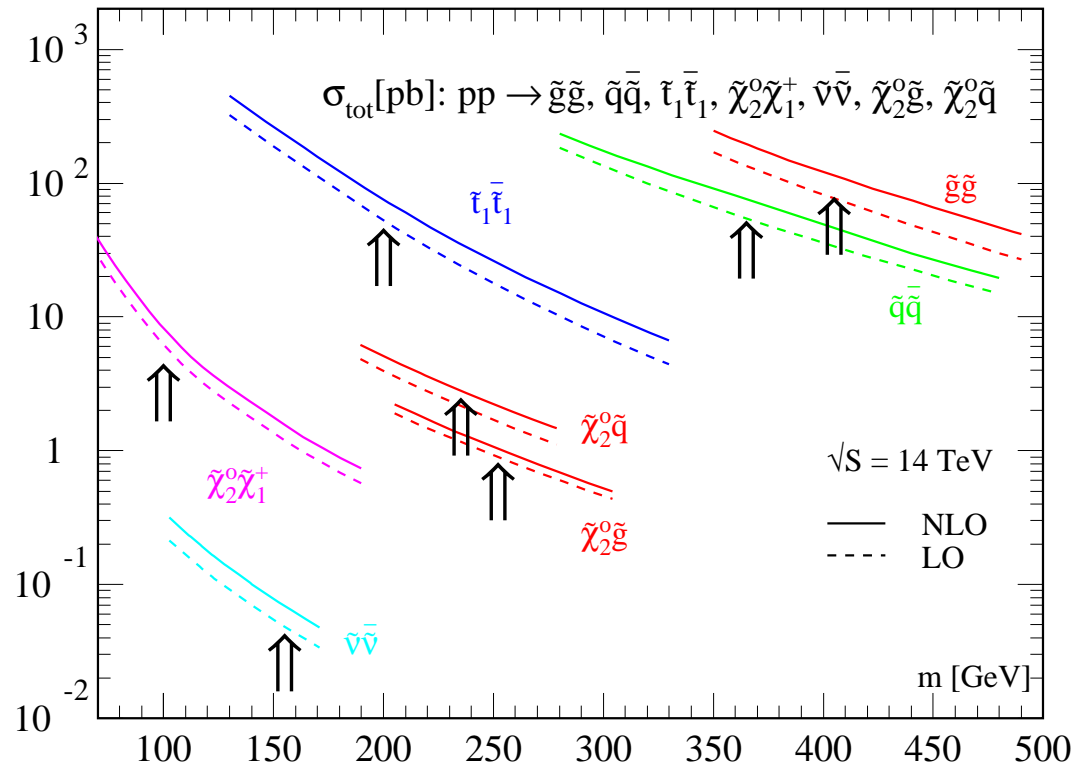
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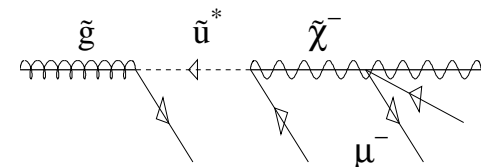
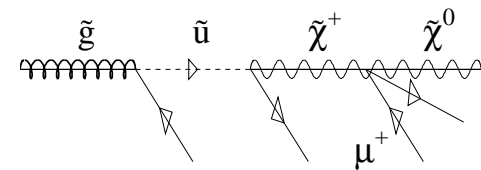
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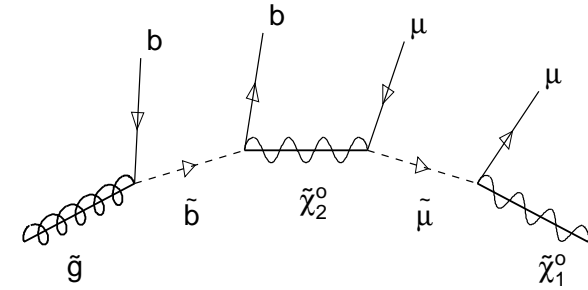
\Rightarrow **gluinos indeed QCD Majorana fermions**



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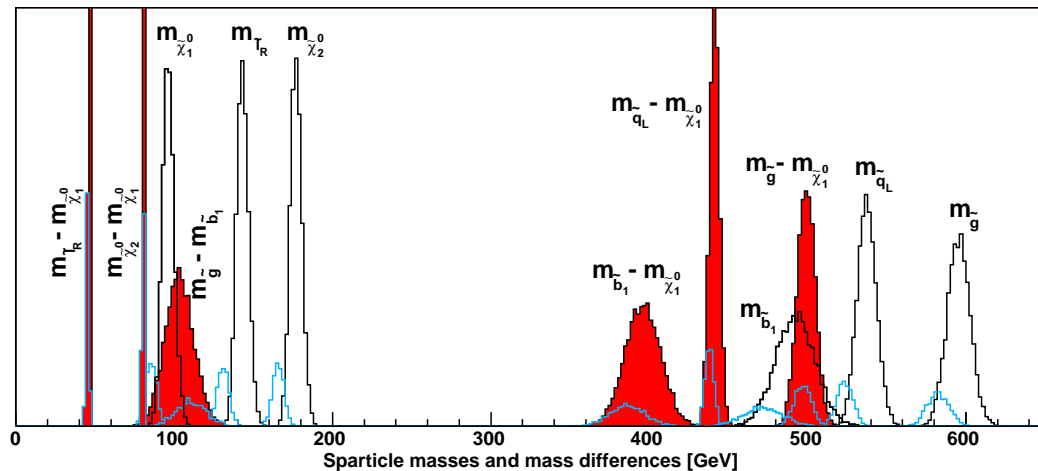
Spectra from cascade decays

- decay $\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\bar{q} \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_2^0 q\bar{q} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- q\bar{q} \tilde{\chi}_1^0$ [better not via Z]
 - cross sections some 100 pb [more than 3×10^7 events]
 - thresholds & edges $m_{\ell\ell}^2 < (m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 - m_{\tilde{\ell}}^2)(m_{\tilde{\ell}}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2)/m_{\tilde{\ell}}^2$
 - poor man's version of ILC threshold scans
 - detector resolution, calibration, systematic errors, cross sections, off-shell effects... [Kauer, TP, Rainwater,...]
- \Rightarrow **spectrum information sits in decay kinematics**



Glino mass [Gjelsten, Miller, Osland]

- \tilde{b}_L cascade, all jets b-tagged
 - most of time: cascade correct
- \Rightarrow gluino mass to few percent
[mass difference even better]



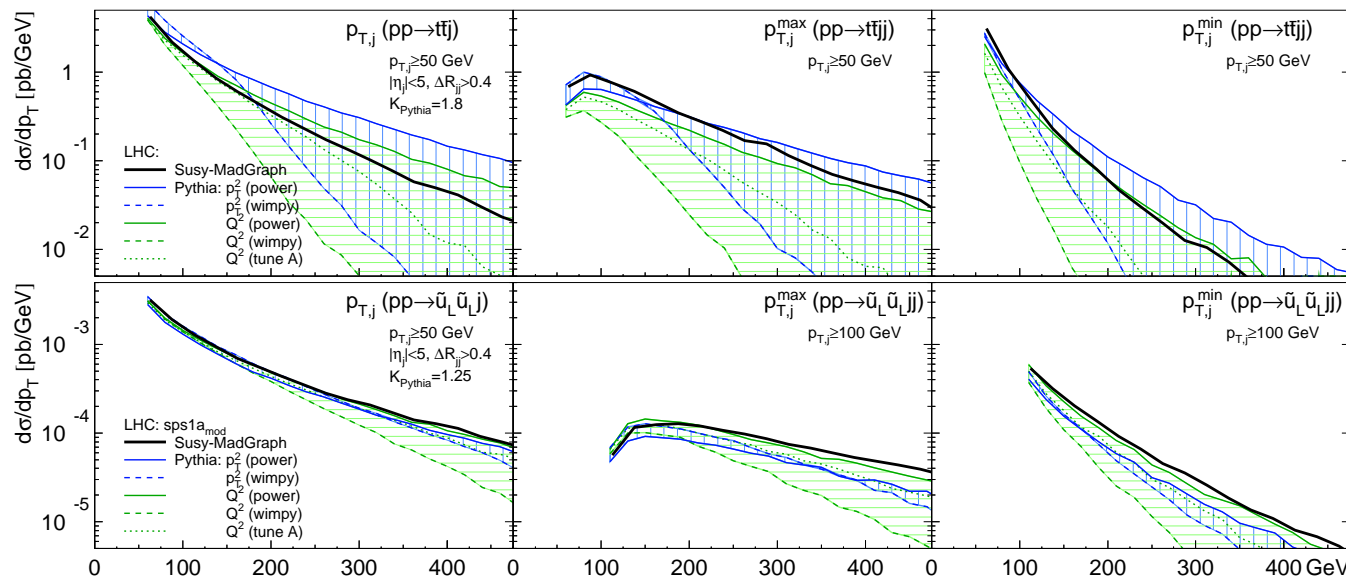
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QCD: squarks and gluinos with (many) jets [TP, Rainwater, Skands]

- cascade studies sensitive to jet simulation?
- matrix element vs. Pythia: $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}+2j$ and $\tilde{u}_L\tilde{g}+2j$

σ [pb]	$t\bar{t}_{600}$	$\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$	$\tilde{u}_L\tilde{g}$
σ_{0j}	1.30	4.83	5.65
σ_{1j}	0.73	2.89	2.74
σ_{2j}	0.26	1.09	0.85

⇒ SUSY cascades easier than tops [QCD: the heavier the better]



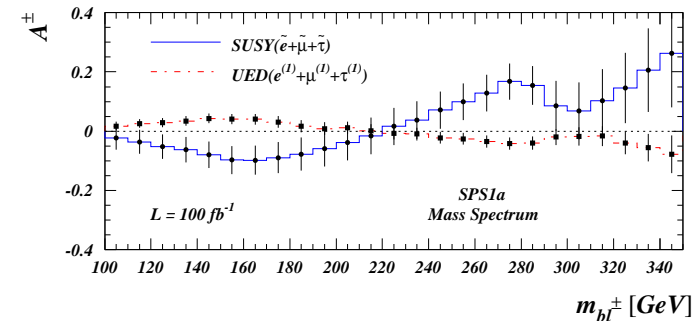
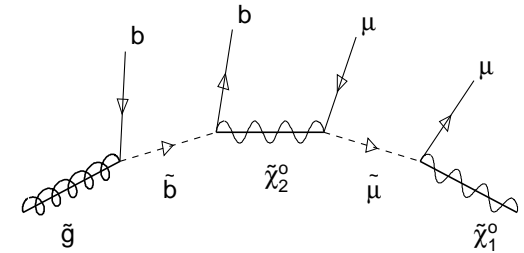
Complex new physics final states [Cho, Hagiwara, Kanzaki, TP, Rainwater, Stelzer]

- Majoranas and fermion number violation in Madgraph/Madevent
- complete set of MSSM Feynman rules [400+ processes compared: Madgraph - Whizard - Sherpa]

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Show it is SUSY-QCD [Barr; Smillie & Webber]

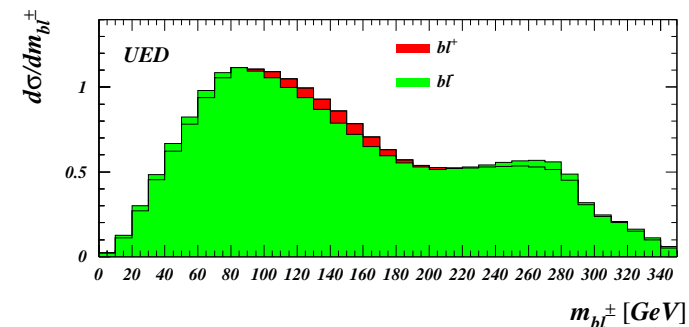
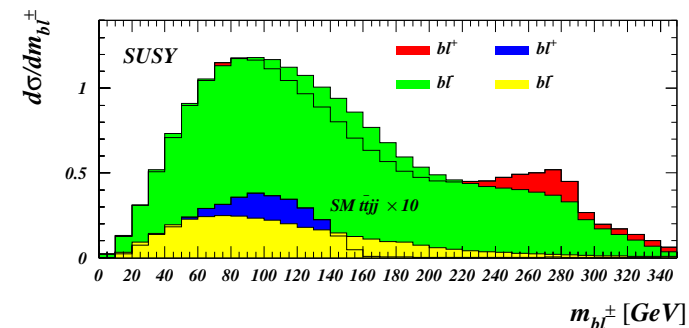
- straw-man ‘bosonic SUSY’: universal extra dimensions
- compare entire cascade [instead of angles: e.g. $m_{\ell b}$]
- only use normalized distributions
- ⇒ if fermionic gluino, then Majorana [like-sign dileptons]



Gluino-bottom cascade [Alves, Eboli, TP]

- decay chain as for gluino mass
- compare with first KK g, q, Z, and ℓ
- asymmetry like for \tilde{q} :

$$A = [\sigma(bl^+) - \sigma(bl^-)] / [\sigma(bl^+) + \sigma(bl^-)]$$
- difference surviving cuts and smearing
- other distributions possible: ϕ_{bb}, \dots
- ⇒ **gluino spin also sits in decay kinematics**



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Sfitter: SUSY parameters from observables [Lafaye, TP, Zerwas; Fittino; Arkani-Hamed,...]

- parameters: weak-scale MSSM Lagrangean
- measurements: masses or edges
branching fractions
cross sections
- errors: general correlation, statistics & systematics & theory
- problem in grid: huge phase space, local minimum?
problem in fit: domain walls, starting values, global minimum?

First go at problem [TP, Lafaye, Zerwas]

- ask a friend who knows how SUSY is broken

⇒ mSUGRA

- fit $m_0, m_{1/2}, A_0, \tan \beta, \text{sign}(\mu)$
- LHC edges or masses?

	SPS1a	Δ LHC masses	Δ LHC edges	Δ ILC	Δ LHC+ILC
m_0	100	3.9	1.2	0.09	0.08
$m_{1/2}$	250	1.7	1.0	0.13	0.11
$\tan \beta$	10	1.1	0.9	0.12	0.12
A_0	-100	33	20	4.8	4.3

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Combination of methods [TP, Lafaye, Zerwas]

- (1) grid for closed subset
 - (2) fit of remaining parameters
 - (3) complete fit
 - more modern alternatives:
 simulated annealing
 Markov Chains
- ⇒ **LHC+ILC with no assumptions**

	LHC	ILC	LHC+ILC	SPS1a
$\tan\beta$	10.22 ± 9.1	10.26 ± 0.3	10.06 ± 0.2	10
M_1	102.45 ± 5.3	102.32 ± 0.1	102.23 ± 0.1	102.2
M_3	578.67 ± 15	fi x 500	588.05 ± 11	589.4
$M_{\tilde{\tau}_L}$	fi x 500	197.68 ± 1.2	199.25 ± 1.1	197.8
$M_{\tilde{\tau}_R}$	129.03 ± 6.9	135.66 ± 0.3	133.35 ± 0.6	135.5
$M_{\tilde{\mu}_L}$	198.7 ± 5.1	198.7 ± 0.5	198.7 ± 0.5	198.7
$M_{\tilde{q}_{3L}}$	498.3 ± 110	497.6 ± 4.4	521.9 ± 39	501.3
$M_{\tilde{t}_R}$	fi x 500	420 ± 2.1	411.73 ± 12	420.2
$M_{\tilde{b}_R}$	522.26 ± 113	fi x 500	504.35 ± 61	525.6
A_τ	fi x 0	-202.4 ± 89.5	352.1 ± 171	-253.5
A_t	-507.8 ± 91	-501.95 ± 2.7	-505.24 ± 3.3	-504.9
A_b	-784.7 ± 35603	fi x 0	-977 ± 12467	-799.4

LHC phenomenology beyond the Standard Model

- serious new physics at LHC is about
 - (a) QCD in signals and backgrounds [trying to kill us]
 - (b) decay kinematics [hiding all good information]
 - (c) error bars & statistics [forgot to talk about my last paper...]
- many new ideas: beyond inclusive excess
- many new tools: Prospino2, Smadgraph, Sfitter,...
- ⇒ experiment and theory need to work together
- ⇒ **LHC will be the coolest experiment ever!**