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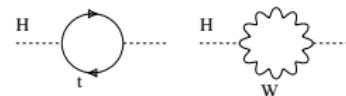
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How complete experimentally?

- dark matter? [solid evidence! — for weak-scale new physics?]
 - quark mixing — flavor physics? [new operators above 10^4 GeV?]
 - neutrino masses and mixing? [see-saw at 10^{11} GeV?]
 - matter–antimatter asymmetry? [universe mostly matter]
 - gravity missing? [mostly negligible but definitely non-renormalizable]
- ⇒ cut-off scale unavoidable, size negotiable [SM an effective theory]
- ⇒ all philosophy — who the hell cares???

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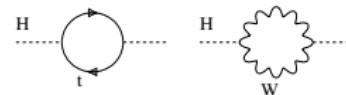
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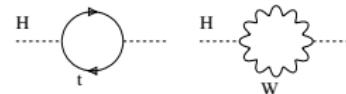
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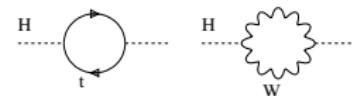
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Alternative motivations for TeV-scale new physics

- alternatives to (fundamental) Higgs mechanism?
- gauge coupling unification almost perfect?
- Uli Baur's rule: new energy scales bring new physics!

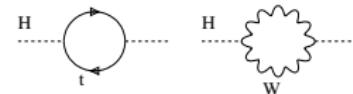
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LHC searches: MSSM

- conjugate Higgs field not allowed
 → give mass to t and b ?
 → five Higgs bosons
 - SUSY-Higgs alone interesting...
 ...but not conclusive
 ...and another talk
- ⇒ list of SUSY partners

		spin	d.o.f.	
fermion → sfermion	f_L, f_R \tilde{f}_L, \tilde{f}_R	1/2 0	1+1 1+1	
gluon → gluino	G_μ \tilde{g}	1 1/2	n-2 2	Majorana
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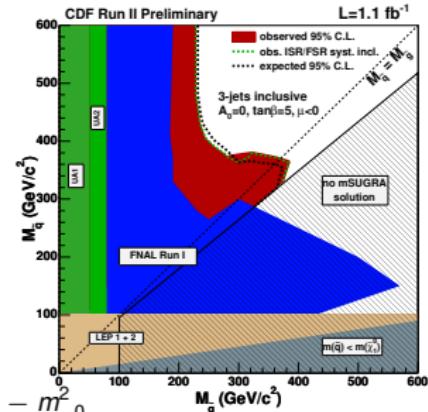
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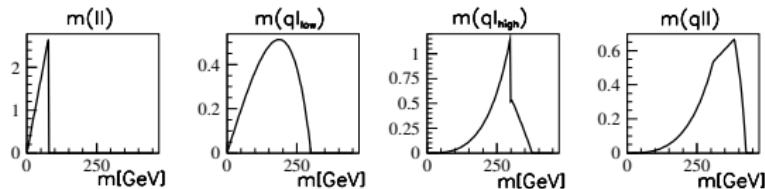
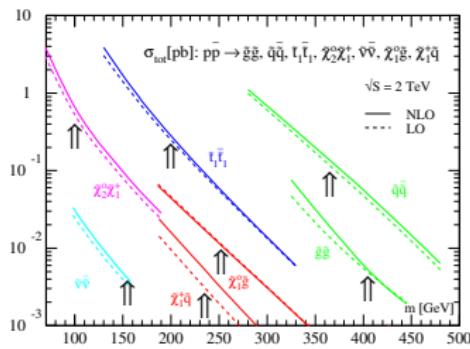
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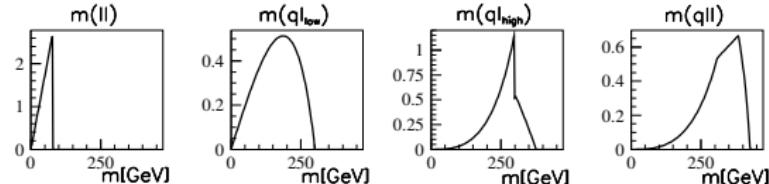
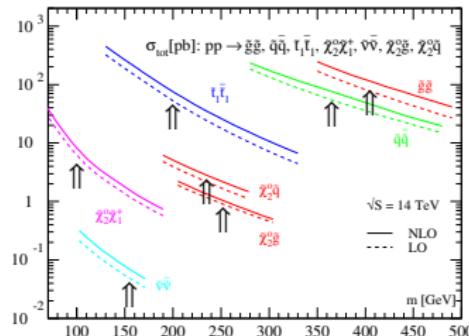
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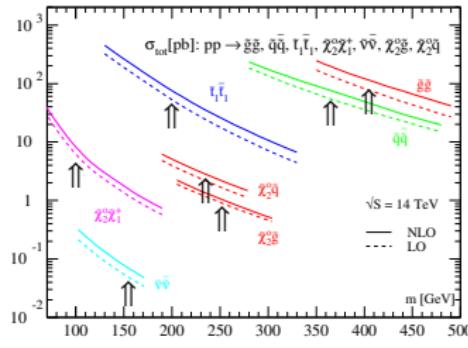
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Alternative methods [Nojiri, Polessello]

- do not only use events at end points
 - reconstruct masses from external momenta
 - add events with identical topology until system solves
- ⇒ LHC better than inclusive rates

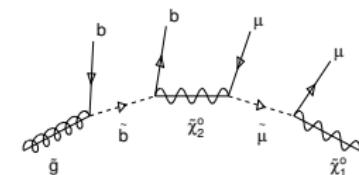
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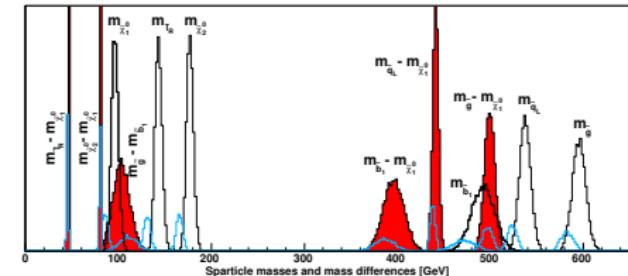
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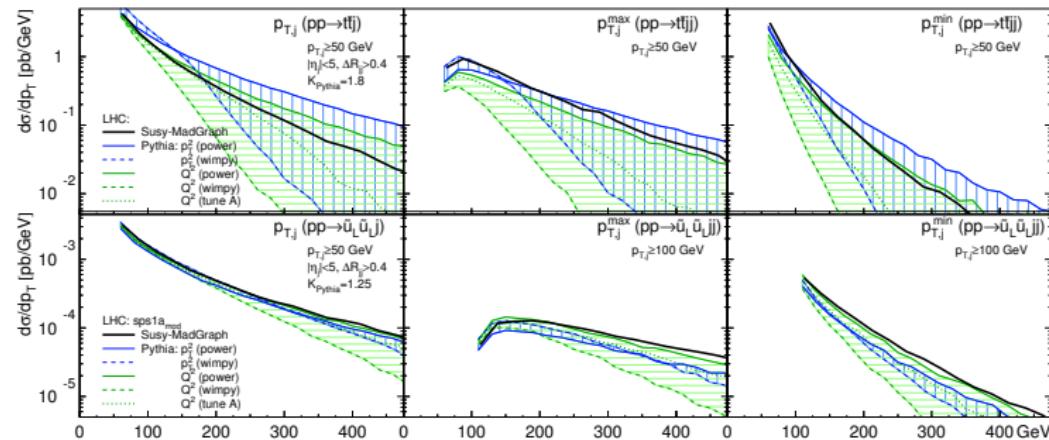


New physics and jets

Squarks and gluinos always with many jets [Rainwater, TP, Skands]

- cascade studies sensitive to jet activity? [compare to Pythia shower]
 - matrix element $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}+2j$ and $\tilde{u}_L\tilde{g}+2j$ $|\rho_{T,j}| > 100$ GeV
 - hard scale μ_F huge for SUSY
 - obvious: $\rho_{T,j}$ spectra fine with jet radiation
 - miracle: angular correlations better than 10%
- ⇒ QCD not a problem in new-physics signals [Jay's next paper]

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



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- measurements: masses or edges,
 - branching fractions, rates,... [Prospino]
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Probability maps of new physics [Baltz,...; Roszkowski,...; Allanach,...; SFitter]

- fully exclusive likelihood map $p(d|m)$ over m [hard part]
- LHC problem: remove pathetic directions [e.g. endpoints or dark matter vs rates]
- Bayesian: $p(m|d) \sim p(d|m) p(m)$ with theorists' bias $p(m)$ [cosmology, BSM]
frequentist: best-fitting point $\max_m p(d|m)$ [flavor]
- LHC era: (1) compute high-dimensional map $p(d|m)$
 - (2) find and rank local maxima in $p(d|m)$
 - (3) Bayesian-frequentist dance to reduce dimensions

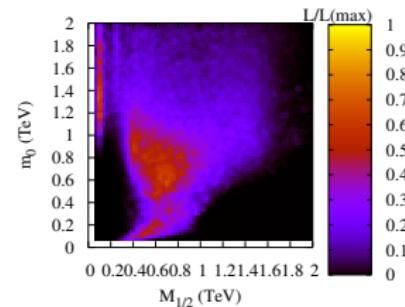
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MSUGRA as of today [Allanach, Cranmer, Lester, Weber]

- ‘Which is the most likely parameter point?’
- ‘How does dark matter annihilate/couple?’



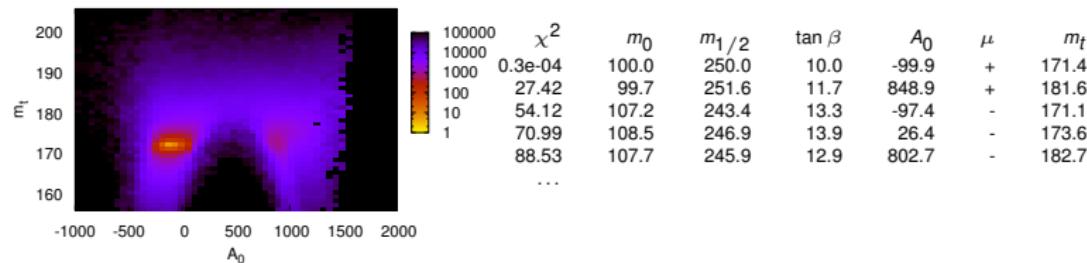
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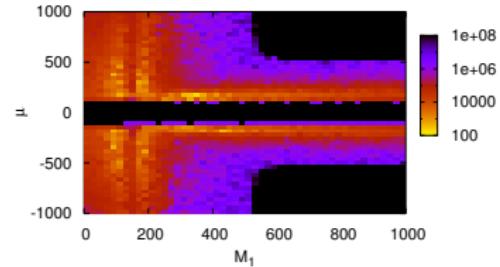
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- three neutralinos observed [profile likelihood]



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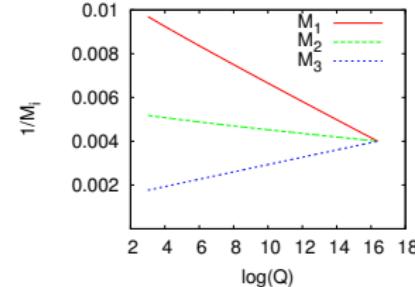
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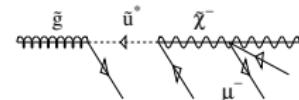
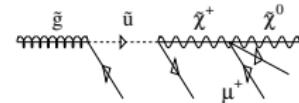
- unification and supersymmetry
 - test mass unification with errors [Cohen, Schmalz]
 - properly: RGE running bottom-up
- ⇒ LHC: fundamental physics from weak scale



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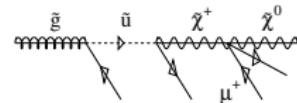
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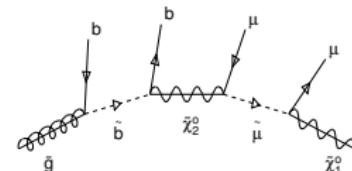


New physics is hypothesis testing [Barr, Lester, Smailie, Webber]

- loop hole: 'gluino is Majorana if it is a fermion'
- gluino a fermion?
- assume gluino cascade observed
- model-independent analysis unlikely
- straw-man model where 'gluino' is a boson: universal extra dimensions

[spectra degenerate — ignore; cross section larger — ignore; higher KK states — ignore; Higgs sector — ignore]

⇒ compare angular correlations



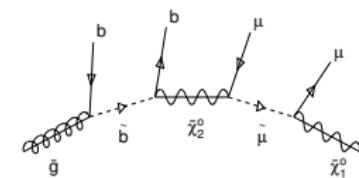
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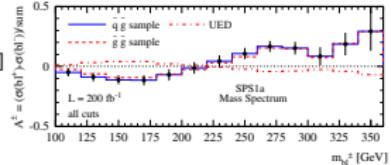
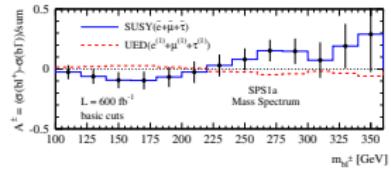
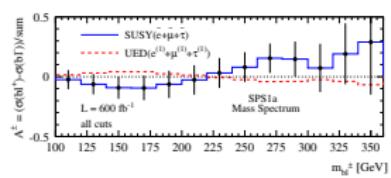
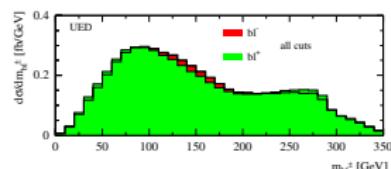
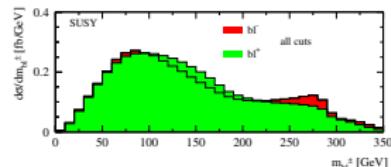
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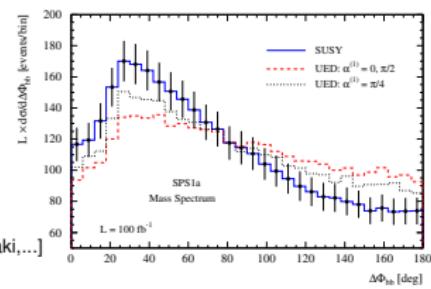
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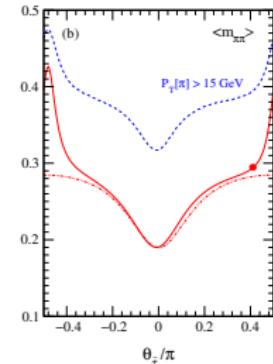
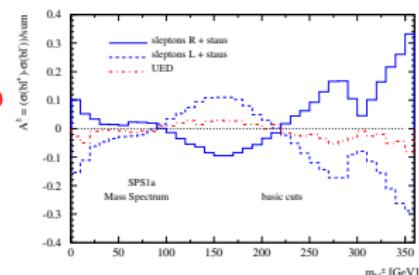
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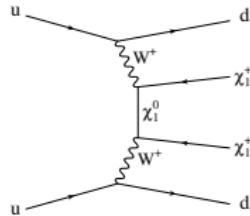
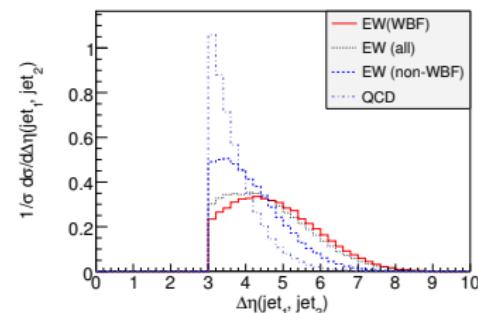
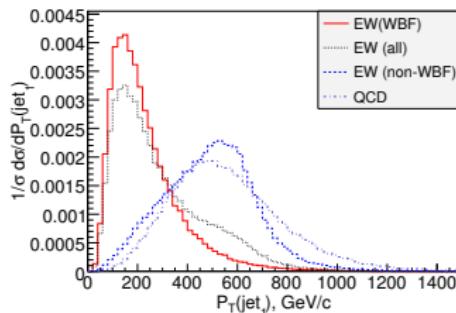
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 - test of lepton-wino couplings
 - stau mixing [Choi, Hagiwara, Kim, Mawatari, Zervos]
- ⇒ hypothesis tests...



Spins from jets

More hypothesis testing: spin of LSP [Alwall, TP, Rainwater]

- Majorana LSP with like-sign charginos?
- hypotheses: like-sign charginos (SUSY)
 - like-sign scalars (scalar dark matter model)
 - like-sign vector boson (like little Higgs)
- stable for simplicity — chargino kinematics not used [SM backgrounds]
- WBF signal: two key distributions $\Delta\phi_{jj}$, $p_{T,j}$ [like $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\mu$ or WBF-Higgs]
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 - visible over backgrounds? [SUSY-QCD backgrounds dominant]
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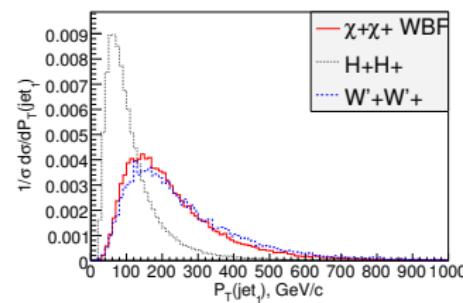
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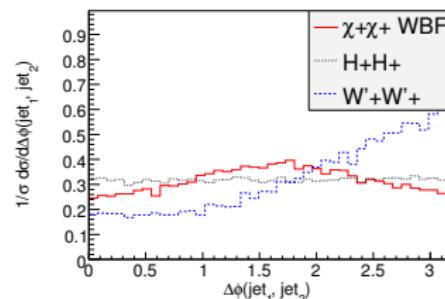
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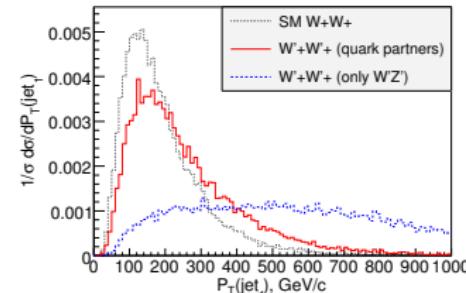
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Heavy fermions in little-Higgs models

- not part of the naive set of WBF diagrams
 - huge effect on $p_{T,j}$
- ⇒ well-defined hypothesis mandatory



Supersymmetry at the LHC

TeV-scale new physics

- know there is BSM physics
- trust solution of hierarchy problem
- explain dark matter



Theory/Phenomenology in the LHC era

- (1) look for solid new-physics signals [missing energy?]
 - (2) measure weak-scale Lagrangian [highD parameter spaces?]
 - (3) determine fundamental physics
 - test discrete new-physics properties
 - construct sensible new-physics hypotheses
 - avoid getting killed by QCD
 - never talk about CMSSM analyses again
- ⇒ **LHC more than a discovery machine!**

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