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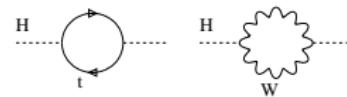
Effective Standard–Model

Data vs renormalizable Standard Model

- dark matter? [only solid evidence for new physics, weak-scale?]
 - $(g - 2)_\mu$? [loop effects around weak scale?]
 - flavor physics? [new operators above 10^4 GeV?]
 - neutrino masses? [see-saw at 10^{11} GeV?]
 - gauge-coupling unification? [something happening above 10^{16} GeV?]
 - gravity? [mostly negligible below 10^{19} GeV]
- ⇒ obviously effective theory, cutoff negotiable

Problem with fundamental Higgs

- mass driven to cutoff: $\delta m_H^2/m_H^2 \propto g^2(2m_W^2 + m_Z^2 + m_H^2 - 4m_t^2) \Lambda^2$
 - easy solution: tune counter term
 - whole idea of fundamental gauge theories betrayed, evil
 - or new physics at TeV scale:
 - supersymmetry
 - extra dimensions
 - little Higgs, Higgsless, composite Higgs...
 - typically cancellation by new states or discussing away high scale
 - beautiful concepts, challenged at TeV scale
- ⇒ whatever is there - LHC's job to sort it out



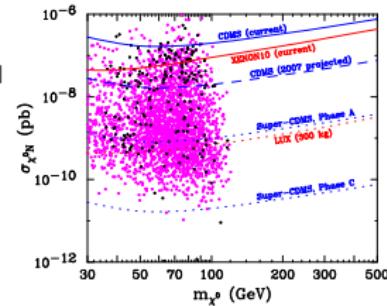
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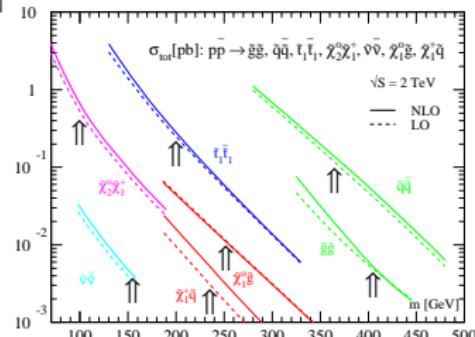
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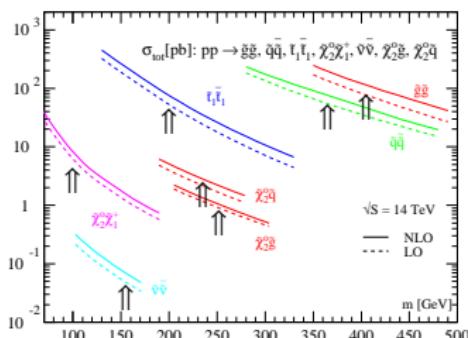
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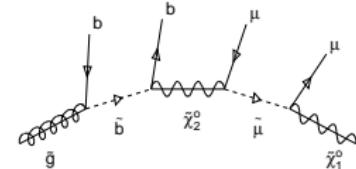


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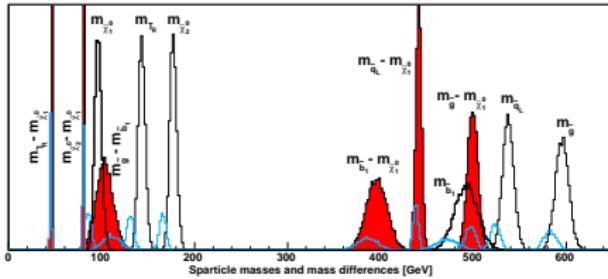
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Gluino decay [Gjelsten, Miller, Osland, Raklev...]

- all decay jets b quarks [otherwise]
 - no problem: off-shell [Catipiss]
 - no problem: jet radiation?
 - gluino mass to $\sim 1\%$



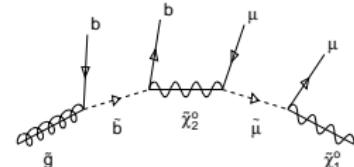
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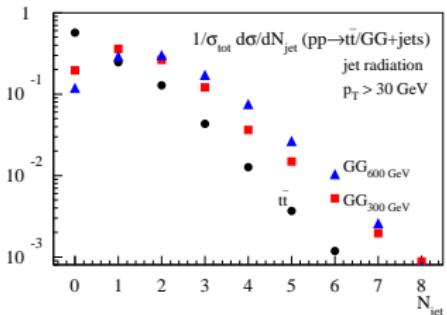
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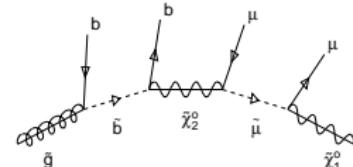
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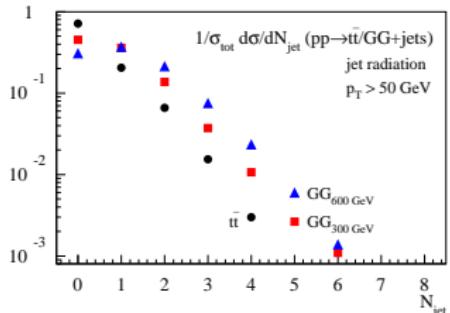
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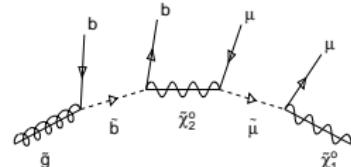
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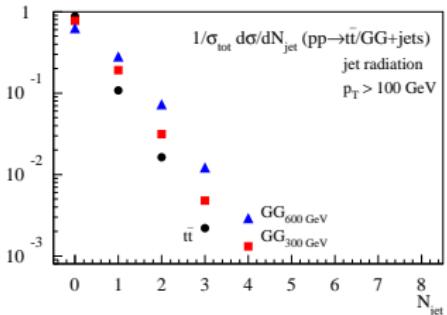
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Underlying parameters

From kinematics to weak-scale parameters [Fittino; SFitter: Lafaye, TP, Rauch, Zerwas]

- parameters: weak-scale Lagrangian
- measurements: better edges than masses,
branching fractions, rates,... [NLO, of course]
flavor, dark matter, electroweak constraints,...
- errors: general correlation, statistics & systematics & theory [flat theory errors!]
- problem in grid: huge phase space, no local maximum?
problem in fit: domain walls, no global maximum?
problem in interpretation: bad observables, secondary maxima?

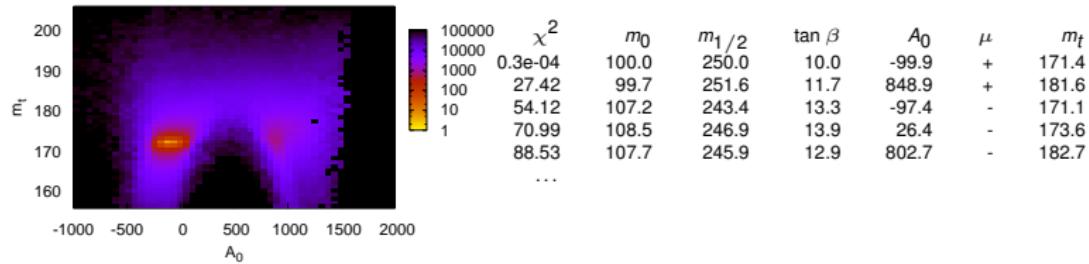
Probability maps of new physics [Baltz,...; Roszkowski,...; Allanach,...; SFitter]

- want to evaluate probability of model being true $p(m|d)$
- can compute fully exclusive likelihood map $p(d|m)$ over m [tough]
- additional LHC challenge: remove poor directions [e.g. endpoints 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 best-fitting points
(3) predict additional observables

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– RFit scheme [CKMFitter]

$$\chi^2 = -2 \log \mathcal{L} = \vec{\chi}_d^T C^{-1} \vec{\chi}_d$$

$$\chi_{d,i} = \begin{cases} 0 & |d_i - \bar{d}_i| < \sigma_i^{(\text{theo})} \\ \frac{\mathcal{D}|d_i - \bar{d}_i| - \sigma_i^{(\text{theo})}}{\mathcal{D}\sigma_i^{(\text{exp})}} & |d_i - \bar{d}_i| > \sigma_i^{(\text{theo})} \end{cases},$$

$$C_{i,i} = 1 \quad C_{i,j} = C_{j,i} = \frac{0.99 \sigma_i^{(\ell)} \sigma_j^{(\ell)} + 0.99 \sigma_i^{(0)} \sigma_j^{(0)}}{\sigma_i^{(\text{exp})} \sigma_j^{(\text{exp})}}$$

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| | SPS1a | $\Delta_{\text{zero}}^{\text{theo-exp}}$ | $\Delta_{\text{zero}}^{\text{expNoCorr}}$ | $\Delta_{\text{zero}}^{\text{theo-exp}}$ | $\Delta_{\text{gauss}}^{\text{theo-exp}}$ | $\Delta_{\text{flat}}^{\text{theo-exp}}$ | | |
|--------------|-------|--|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| | | masses | endpoints | | | | | |
| m_0 | 100 | 4.11 | 1.08 | 0.50 | 2.97 | 2.17 | | |
| $m_{1/2}$ | 250 | 1.81 | 0.98 | 0.73 | 2.99 | 2.64 | | |
| $\tan \beta$ | 10 | 1.69 | 0.87 | 0.65 | 3.36 | 2.45 | | |
| A_0 | -100 | 36.2 | 23.3 | 21.2 | 51.5 | 49.6 | | |
| m_t | 171.4 | 0.94 | 0.79 | 0.26 | 0.89 | 0.97 | | |

⇒ errors mean: endpoints instead of masses

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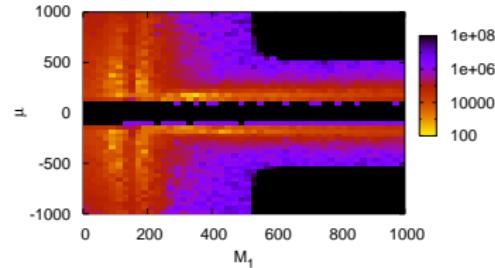
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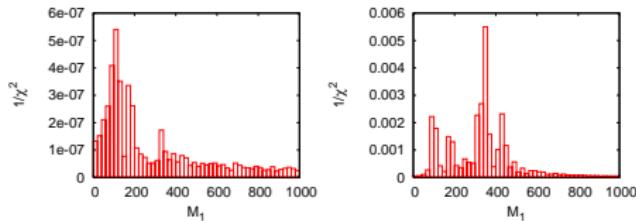
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- quality of fit not always useful

| | $\mu < 0$ | | | | $\mu > 0$ | | | |
|---------------------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|
| M_1 | 96.6 | 175.1 | 103.5 | 365.8 | 98.3 | 176.4 | 105.9 | 365.3 |
| M_2 | 181.2 | 98.4 | 350.0 | 130.9 | 187.5 | 103.9 | 348.4 | 137.8 |
| μ | -354.1 | -357.6 | -177.7 | -159.9 | 347.8 | 352.6 | 178.0 | 161.5 |
| $\tan \beta$ | 14.6 | 14.5 | 29.1 | 32.1 | 15.0 | 14.8 | 29.2 | 32.1 |
| M_3 | 583.2 | 583.3 | 583.3 | 583.5 | 583.1 | 583.1 | 583.3 | 583.4 |
| $M_{\tilde{\mu}_L}$ | 192.7 | 192.7 | 192.7 | 192.9 | 192.6 | 192.6 | 192.7 | 192.8 |
| $M_{\tilde{\mu}_R}$ | 131.1 | 131.1 | 131.1 | 131.3 | 131.0 | 131.0 | 131.1 | 131.2 |
| $A_t (-)$ | -252.3 | -348.4 | -477.1 | -259.0 | -470.0 | -484.3 | -243.4 | -465.7 |
| $A_t (+)$ | 384.9 | 481.8 | 641.5 | 432.5 | 739.2 | 774.7 | 440.5 | 656.9 |
| m_A | 350.3 | 725.8 | 263.1 | 1020.0 | 171.6 | 156.5 | 897.6 | 256.1 |
| m_t | 171.4 | 171.4 | 171.4 | 171.4 | 171.4 | 171.4 | 171.4 | 171.4 |

⇒ means probably much more work to do...

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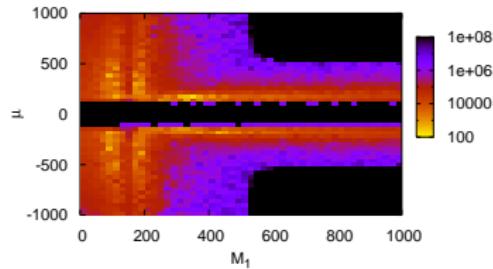
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| | LHC | $LHC \otimes (g - 2)$ | SPS1a |
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| $\tan \beta$ | 10.0 \pm 4.5 | 10.3 \pm 2.0 | 10.0 |
| M_1 | 102.1 \pm 7.8 | 102.7 \pm 5.9 | 103.1 |
| M_2 | 193.3 \pm 7.8 | 193.2 \pm 5.8 | 192.9 |
| M_3 | 577.2 \pm 14.5 | 578.2 \pm 12.1 | 577.9 |
| $M_{\tilde{\mu}_L}$ | 193.2 \pm 8.8 | 194.0 \pm 6.8 | 194.4 |
| $M_{\tilde{\mu}_R}$ | 135.0 \pm 8.3 | 135.6 \pm 6.3 | 135.8 |
| $M_{\tilde{q}_3 L}$ | 481.4 \pm 22.0 | 485.6 \pm 22.4 | 480.8 |
| $M_{\tilde{b}_R}$ | 501.7 \pm 17.9 | 499.2 \pm 19.3 | 502.9 |
| $M_{\tilde{q}_L}$ | 524.6 \pm 14.5 | 525.5 \pm 10.6 | 526.6 |
| $M_{\tilde{q}_R}$ | 507.3 \pm 17.5 | 507.6 \pm 15.8 | 508.1 |
| m_A | $406.3 \pm \mathcal{O}(10^3)$ | $411.1 \pm \mathcal{O}(10^2)$ | 394.9 |
| μ | 350.5 \pm 14.5 | 352.5 \pm 10.8 | 353.7 |

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| | no theory error | | | $\Delta \text{BR}/\text{BR} = 15\%$ | |
|-------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| | true | best | error | best | error |
| $\tan \beta$ | 30 | 29.5 | 3.4 | 29.5 | 6.5 |
| M_A | 344.3 | 344.4 | 33.8 | 344.3 | 31.2 |
| M_1 | 101.7 | 100.9 | 16.3 | 100.9 | 16.4 |
| M_2 | 192.0 | 200.3 | 18.9 | 200.3 | 18.8 |
| M_3 | 586.4 | 575.8 | 28.8 | 575.8 | 28.7 |
| μ | 345.8 | 325.6 | 20.6 | 325.6 | 20.6 |
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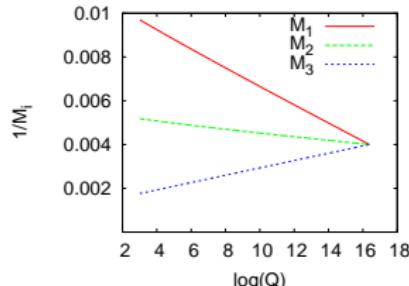
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Renormalization group bottom-up [SFitter + Kneur]

- SUSY breaking, unification, GUT?
- scale-invariant sum rules? [Cohen, Schmalz]
- ⇒ **solidly inference from weak scale**



Large extra dimensions

Remember the hierarchy problem

- fundamental scalars bad with high scale present
 - weakness of gravity means large Planck scale $G_N = 1/(16\pi M_{\text{Planck}})^2$
- \Rightarrow solution: another reason why we see huge non-fundamental M_{Planck}

Large extra dimensions (ADD) [Antoniadis, Arkani-Hamed, Dimopoulos, Dvali]

- Einstein–Hilbert action for low fundamental Planck scale

$$\begin{aligned} S &= -\frac{1}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{|g|} M_D^2 R \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} \int d^{4+n}x \sqrt{|g|} M_D^{2+n} R \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} (2\pi r)^n \int d^4x \sqrt{|g|} M_D^{2+n} R \\ &\equiv -\frac{1}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{|g|} M_{\text{Planck}}^2 R \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow express M_{Planck} in terms of fundamental M_D

$$M_{\text{Planck}} = M_D (2\pi r M_D)^{n/2}$$

Numbers to make it work

- free parameter $rM_D \gg 1$
 - constraints from gravity tests above $\mathcal{O}(\text{mm})$
- \Rightarrow signatures of strong gravity in extra dimension?

| $M_D = 1 \text{ TeV}$ | |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| n | r |
| 1 | 10^{12} m |
| 2 | 10^{-3} m |
| 3 | 10^{-8} m |
| ... | ... |
| 6 | 10^{-11} m |

Effective KK theory

Toy model: only gravitons in extra dimensions

- expand the metric [graviton field h]

$$ds^2 = g_{MN}^{(4+n)} dx^M dx^N = \left(\eta_{MN} + \frac{1}{M_D^{n/2+1}} h_{MN} \right) dx^M dx^N$$

- matter in Einstein's equation [no cosmological constant]

$$R_{AB} - \frac{1}{2+n} g_{AB} R = - \frac{1}{M_D^{2+n}} \begin{pmatrix} T_{\mu\nu}(x) \delta^{(n)}(y) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Fourier transformation of extra dimensions [KK excitations for periodic boundary conditions]

$$h_{AB}(x; y) = \sum_{m_1=-\infty}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{m_j=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{h_{AB}^{(m)}(x)}{\sqrt{(2\pi r)^n}} e^{i \frac{m_j y_j}{r}}$$

- universal interactions of KK gravitons [$h_{AB} \rightarrow G_{\mu\nu}$, QCD massless]

$$(\square + m_k^2) G_{\mu\nu}^{(k)} = \frac{1}{M_{\text{Planck}}} \left[-T_{\mu\nu} + \left(\frac{\partial_\mu \partial_\nu}{\hat{m}^2} + \eta_{\mu\nu} \right) \frac{T_\lambda^\lambda}{3} \right] = \frac{-T_{\mu\nu}}{M_{\text{Planck}}}$$

- tiny KK mass splitting [$M_D = 1 \text{ TeV}$]

$$\delta m \sim \frac{1}{r} = 2\pi M_D \left(\frac{M_D}{M_{\text{Planck}}} \right)^{2/n} = \begin{cases} 0.003 \text{ eV} & (n=2) \\ 0.1 \text{ MeV} & (n=4) \\ 0.05 \text{ GeV} & (n=6) \end{cases}$$

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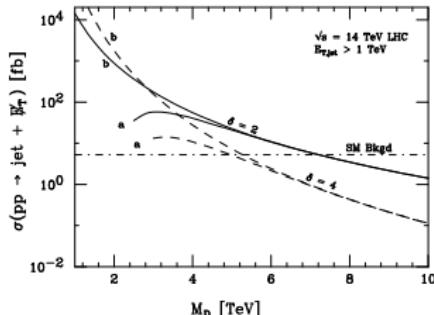
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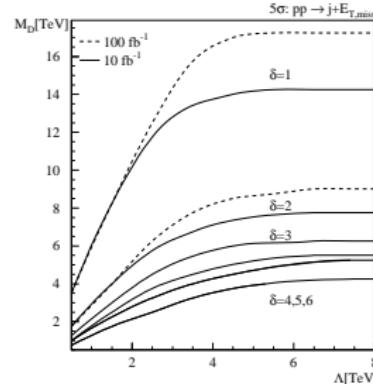
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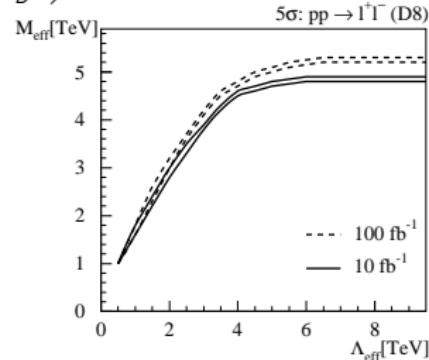
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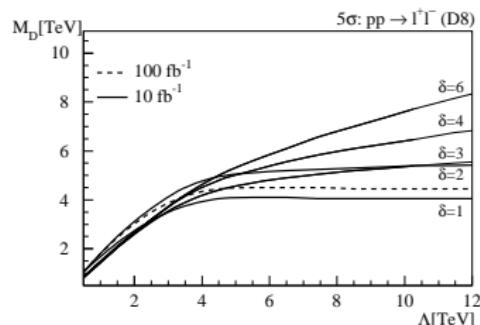
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additional cutoff for $\sqrt{s} \lesssim M_D$
 - rates scaling $M_D^{\max} \sim \Lambda_{\text{cutoff}}^{(n-2)/(n+2)}$
- ⇒ **breakdown of effective theory**



String theory completion

String theory as UV completion [e.g. Cullen, Perelstein, Peskin; Antoniadis, Benakli, Laugier...]

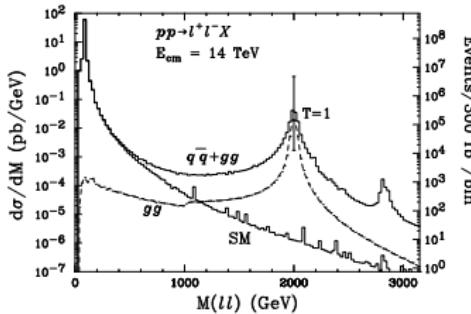
- ‘In particular, the only known framework that allows for a self-consistent description of quantum gravity is string theory’
- Regge excitations of Standard Model [Burikham, Figy, Han]
- compute different helicity contributions, like

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(e_L^+ e_R^- \rightarrow \gamma_L \gamma_R) &= -2e^2 \sqrt{\frac{u}{t}} \left(\frac{u}{s} + \frac{t}{s} - 1 \right) = 2e^2 \sqrt{\frac{u}{t}} \\ &= -2e^2 \sqrt{\frac{u}{t}} \left(\frac{u}{s} S(s, t) + \frac{t}{s} S(s, u) - S(t, u) \right) \end{aligned}$$

- with Veneziano form factor

$$\begin{aligned} S(s, t) &= \frac{\Gamma(1 - \alpha' s) \Gamma(1 - \alpha' t)}{\Gamma(1 - \alpha'(s+t))} = \frac{\Gamma(1 - s/M_S^2) \Gamma(1 - t/M_S^2)}{\Gamma(1 - (s+t)/M_S^2)} \\ &= 1 - \frac{\pi^2}{6} \frac{st}{M_S^4} + \mathcal{O}(M_S^{-6}) \end{aligned}$$

- dominant over KK because $M_{\text{eff}} \gg M_S$
- closed-string gravitons suppressed
- effective operator below string scale
- string resonances: $\sqrt{n} M_S$



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UV-safe gravity [Weinberg (1979)]

- gravity really non–fundamental because $G \propto 1/M_D^{2+n}$?
- 't Hooft's perturbative renormalizability: finite number of counter terms
- Wilson's renormalizability: no unphysical UV divergences
- consistent theory beyond perturbation theory [no ghosts: Weinberg & Gomez]
- fixed point seen for $\sqrt{|g|} R^8$ and including matter [no proof; not perturbative series]
- great idea for gravity — great for LHC

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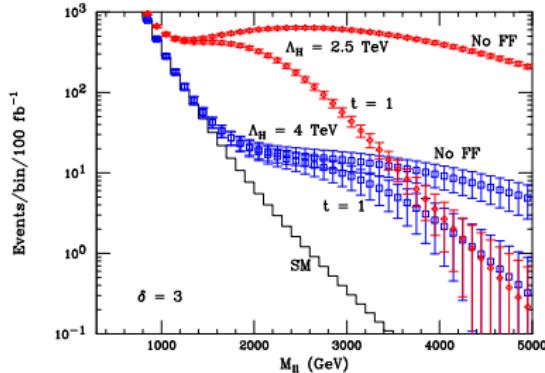
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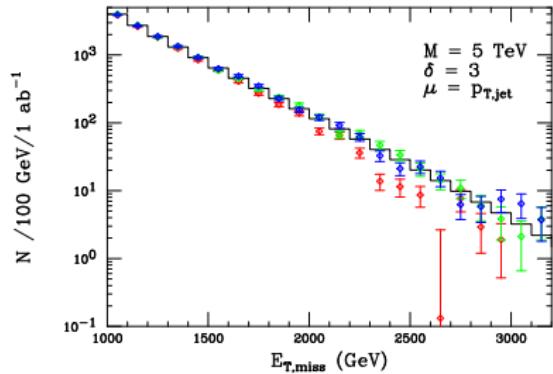
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- also applicable to graviton emission [less impressive effect]



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Modified graviton propagator [Reuter; Fischer & Litim]

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- IR — no running; M_D regime — strong effects; UV — fixed point
- iterative approach: start with anomalous dimension of graviton

$$P(s, m) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{s + m^2} & \sqrt{s}, m < k_{\text{trans}} \\ \frac{M_D^{n+2}}{(s + m^2)^{n/2+2}} & \sqrt{s}, m > k_{\text{trans}} \end{cases}$$

- IR and UV contributions to D8 operator [leading in \sqrt{s}/m , matched to $1/s^2$]

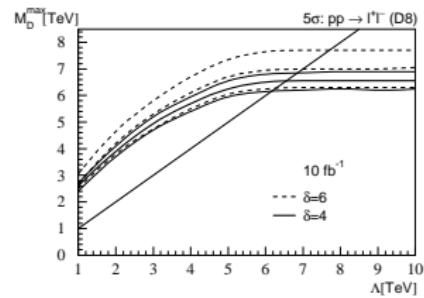
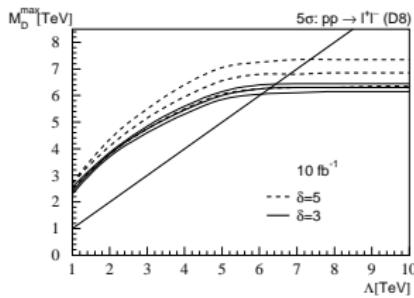
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- needed and not needed:
 - (1) transition scale $k_{\text{trans}} \sim M_D$ [anomalous dimension modeled]
 - (2) no artificial Λ_{cutoff} for m integration
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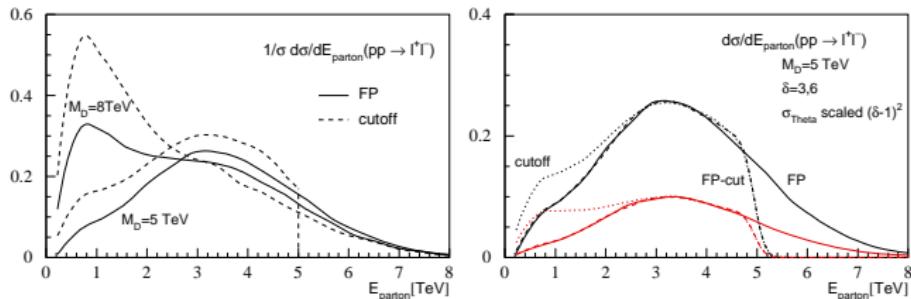
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- $\mathcal{S}^{(\text{FP})}$: UV regime in addition to $\mathcal{S}^{(\Theta)} \equiv \mathcal{S}^{\text{IR}}$

| $\sigma [\text{fb}]$ | $n = 3$ | | | $n = 6$ | | |
|------------------------------|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|-------|
| M_D | 2 TeV | 5 TeV | 8 TeV | 2 TeV | 5 TeV | 8 TeV |
| $\mathcal{S}^{(\text{NDA})}$ | 43.6 | 0.18 | 0.0053 | 263 | 1.11 | 0.031 |
| $\mathcal{S}^{(\Theta)}$ | 173 | 0.72 | 0.0204 | 66 | 0.28 | 0.008 |
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