## BEST: Bi-Event Subtraction Technique and Mass Reconstruction at the LHC

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#### Supersymmetry at the LHC



jets + leptons+ t's +W's+Z's+H's + missing ET

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#### Signal:

Jets + leptons + t's + W's + Z's + H's + MET

**Different approaches/observables** 

alpha\_T, Razor, MT2

Many different data-driven techniques to derive backgrounds CMS PAS SUS-10-001

#### BUT

**Reconstruction of chains hard** 

Mass measurements hard

Establishing a model hard



A Discovery Machine or a Model Machine?

- This talk will mainly focus on the reconstruction of masses of superpartners from decay chains
- At a theoretical level, we will investigate to what extent mass reconstruction can tell us about supersymmetry breaking mediation schemes
- We will reconstruct masses of W, t and ğ, two lightest neutralinos, t, b

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#### **Bi-Event Subtraction Technique**

- A technique to model combinatoric background
- Reconstruct a variety of masses in SM and BSM models

Apply BEST in Supersymmetry, *W*, *t* mass

#### Papers by TAMU theory+experiment group

arXiv:1112.3966, arXiv:1104.2508[PLB], arXiv:1008.3380[PRD], arXiv:0808.1372[PRD], arXiv:0802.2968[PRL], hep-ph/0701053, hep-ph/0611089, hep-ph/0608193, hep-ph/0603128[PLB]

Richard Arnowitt, Bhaskar Dutta, Teruki Kamon, Abram Krislock, KS, Kechen Wang

Specific models are hard to pin down

Can mass reconstruction say anything intelligent about things like mediation schemes?

Good bet: gaugino sector

• mSUGRA pattern: GUT scale unification.

 $m_1: m_2: m_3 \sim 1: 2: 6 \sim g_1^2: g_2^2: g_3^2$ 

• Anomaly pattern: determined by  $\beta$  functions.

 $m_1: m_2: m_3 \sim 3.3: 1:9$ 

- Mirage pattern: Mixed boundary conditions at GUT scale parametrized by  $\alpha$ 

 $m_1: m_2: m_3 \sim 1: 1.3: 2.5 \ (\alpha \sim 1)$ 

Theoretical Challenges:

- Gaugino unification scale may not necessarily tell you the mediation scheme, let alone the UV construction
- The observables that we measure give neutralino masses.
  Gaugino ⇒ specific regions of parameter space
- Need to verify that we are in those regions  $\Rightarrow$  more mass reconstruction

We will take a UV model which allows a full realization of our program and a spectrum in a part of parameter space where lightest neutralinos are mainly gauginos.

KKLT with *D*7 branes, in stop/stau coannihilation parts of parameter space.

#### Roadmap





# Case 1: MET + Jets + Taus ISAJET 7.69

## **Observables:**

 $M_{\tau\tau}$ M<sub>jtt</sub> Meff

We will construct a combination of  $p_{T}$  information of  $\tau$  pair



(ii)  $p_{T,iet1} + p_{T,iet2} + \not\!\!E_T \ge 600 \text{ GeV}$ 

(iii) Leading jet cuts: At least two jets should be present, each with  $p_T > 200$  GeV in  $|\eta| < 2.5$ . The jets are both required to be non b-tagged jets, and the event is discarded when either of them is tagged as a b jet

(iv) Soft jet cuts: Any jet with  $p_T > 30$  GeV in  $|\eta| < 2.5$  is accepted in the analysis

(v)  $\tau$  cuts: At least two  $\tau$  leptons, with visible  $p_T > 15$  GeV in  $|\eta| < 2.5$ 

CMS Physics Analysis Summary CMS-PAS-SUS-11-007 (2011)

 $M_{\tau\tau}, p_{T\tau_1}, p_{T\tau_2}$  observables:



#### Scourge: combinatoric background

Solution: Opposite Sign - Like Sign (OS-LS) technique





 $M_{j\tau\tau}$  observable



#### Scourge: combinatoric background

Solution: Bi-Event Subtraction Technique (BEST)

Dutta, Kamon, et.

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Figure: The result for the endpoint is  $269.09 \pm 3.18$ (Stat.) GeV.

4 jets +  $\not\!\!\!E_T$ 



Figure: Distribution of  $M_{\rm eff}$  at a stop coannihilation benchmark point. The distribution is fitted with a Gaussian function to find the peak. The value of the  $M_{\rm eff}^{\rm peak}$  observable is 1073.01 ± 8.72(Stat.) GeV.



Having solved the masses, can you track back to the UV parameters  $\alpha$ ,  $m_{3/2}$ , etc.?

Clearly, the map back to a specific model is not unique

Can do fitting studies - scan over parameter space until you reproduce the spectrum you solved.

We used the Nelder Mead method, a nonlinear optimization technique

Determined the parameters, statistical uncertainties 5 - 15%.

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#### Where we are









#### Reconstruction of W

- W appears in the detector as two jets whose invariant mass falls in the W mass window (65 GeV ≤ M<sub>jj</sub> ≤ 90 GeV).
- Choose soft jet pairs (from the third leading jet and below) which are not *b*-tagged, with  $0.4 \le \Delta R \le 1.5$ .
- Jets put into two categories: (a) manifestly in the *W* window (b) fall within the sideband window (40 GeV  $\leq M_{jj} \leq 55$  GeV or 100 GeV  $\leq M_{jj} \leq 115$  GeV).
- BEST is then performed for the two categories.
- Sideband subtraction is performed to obtain the *W* mass.



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#### W reconstruction







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 $M_{bW}$  signal from top



Top peak and  $M_{bW}$  endpoint



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 $M_{jW}$  may be obtained similarly. Reconstructed *W* is paired with a non *b*-tagged soft jet, whose rank is three or lower. This is because we are in the stop coannihilation region.

Can use  $M_{bW}$  and  $M_{jW}$  to solve for the  $\tilde{t}$  and  $\tilde{b}$  masses.

 $M_{bW}$  and  $M_{iW}$ : Statistical uncertainties 0.2% – 1.4%

 $ilde{t}$  and  $ilde{b}$  masses: Statistical uncertainties 2.5% – 11.3%

# BEST



#### Future directions

Use techniques of reconstructing third generation squark masses to study direct stop production (in progress)

## Extend study of mass patterns and mediation schemes to Higgsino dominated regions

Many other applications of BEST (Abram Krislock, 6 pm)