Gravitinos and hidden SUSY at the LHC.







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>Gravitino Cosmology

>Gravitinos and Higgsino World

Gravitino Dark Matter and R-parity Violation

>Neutralino NLSP Decays at the LHC





Possible heuristic : Evaluate experimental facts and find the simplest theory predicting the observed results.

| Experimental Observation | Theoretical Explanation |
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| Neutrino Oscillations | Seesaw Extension of the SM |
| (Neutrino Mass) | |
| Dark Matter | New (super) weakly interacting massive Particle |
| Matter-Antimatter Asymmetry | Leptogenesis |
| No evidence for New Physics so far & Higgs mass ~ 125 GeV @ LHC | ? |





>Supersymmetry is so far the best motivated extension of the SM.

The existence of gravitino, gauge fermion of SUGRA, is unequivocal prediction of locally supersymmetric extensions of SM.

Leptogenesis requiers high temperature in the universe leading to production of gravitinos from thermal bath via SQCD 2->2 scattering.

>Problems:

- Heavy gravitino: Late time decays during BBN spoil its success.
- Light stable gravitino: Too high abundance leads to overclosure of the universe.



Gravitino Cosmology II

> Possible solutions to the gravitino problem leading to consistent cosmology:





>Why is SUSY not found so far ?

- >SUSY signals depend on the nature of the LSP !
- >Consider a scenario where:
 - Gravitino is either super-heavy or the LSP
 - Neutralino is the (N)LSP and higgsino-like
 - Charginos are mass-degenerate with neutralinos
 - Higgs mass around 125 GeV
 - All colored particles are inaccessible at the LHC
- This scenario is motivated by higher dimensional GUTs if gravitino is the LSP (Brümmer/Buchmüller '11).
- If gravitino is super-heavy such spectrum can occur in anomaly mediation scenarios (Jeong et al. '11).



LHC discovery is very challenging, see also work by (Baer/Barger/Huang '11)
Linear Collider can find them



Monojets at the LHC

> If there is initial state radiation with significant Pt -> Monojet signature!



> Need to perform a study with real detector simulation software !

- >Maybe limits at higgsinos from monojets ?
- >See Steve Worm's talk at Moriond.



Gravitino DM and R-parity Violation

>Small R-parity violation: leads to consistent cosmology.

- >Possible NLSP: neutralino.
- >RPV will lead to gravitino and neutralino decays which are governed by the same parameter: ζ .
- Cosmological constraints:
 - = RPV terms violate lepton number L \rightarrow RPV should not wash out baryon asymmetry.

NLSP should decay before BBN.





Constraints from Fermi - LAT

> Detection of gravitino decays is possible with gamma rays.

>Absence of signal at Fermi - LAT leads to an upper bound of $\zeta = 3 \times 10^{-8}$



Taken from (Vertongen/Weniger '11).



Neutralino NLSP at the LHC

If mass > 100 GeV decays into charged lepton and W, neutrino and Z or neutrino and Higgs (if kinematically allowed).



>Branching ratios depend on the neutralino wavefunction.



Hidden Signals at the LHC

>Be aware that the MET signal can be altered by R-parity violation:



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Event Topology



>Assumed bino-like NLSP

>Generated 10 inverse femtobarns of events for 7 TeV LHC + DELPHES

>Looking for events with two muons from secondary vertex!



Discovery Reach



>Bands represent different assumptions about the background.

> Probing RPV beyond Fermi-LAT.

>SUSY can be hidden in the LHC data

>Either detectable only via monojets in higgsino world

>Or via secondary vertices if RPV and gravitino DM

>However in latter case signals in gamma rays expected

>Higgsino NLSP with RPV also possible



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