

# Application of Simplified Models in Exotic SUSY Searches

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# Introduction

Purpose of simplified models:

- Speed up analysis through decomposition  
(e.g. in fits)
- Accessibility of limits
- Trigger experimental analysis  
(e.g. show corners that are not covered by constraint models)

More than 3 parameters difficult

→ Slicing: theoretical input

# Application

Exotic SUSY searches: Long-lived sparticles

- Interesting on its own  
→ Should be included
- Learn something for (more complicated) cases

Motivation:

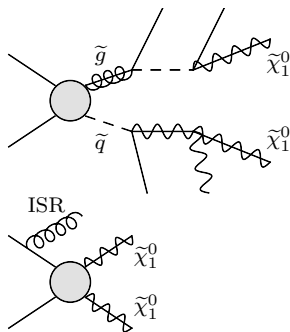
- Gravitino LSP cosmologically attractive (Leptogenesis)
- Very weak LSP coupling → NLSP long-lived
- NLSP can be charged!

Consider stau NLSP. What's the signature?

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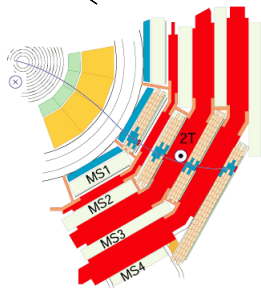
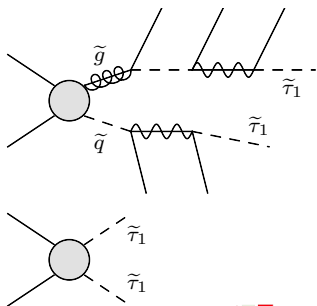
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## Stau NLSP:

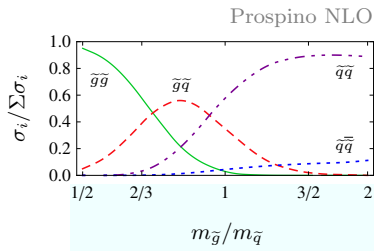
- Stau appears as a muon, background:  $DY$ ,  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $b\bar{b}$ , QCD
- Discrimination: Stau velocity
- $dE/dx$  and ToF large background rejection
- Velocity governs efficiency



# Parameters

## Production:

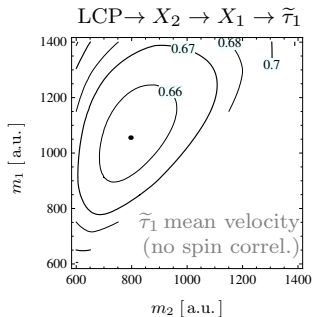
- Consider  $\widetilde{g}\widetilde{g}, \widetilde{g}\widetilde{q}, \widetilde{q}\widetilde{q}, \widetilde{q}\widetilde{q}$
- Common squark mass  $m_{\widetilde{q}}$
- Depend on  $m_{\widetilde{g}}, m_{\widetilde{q}}$



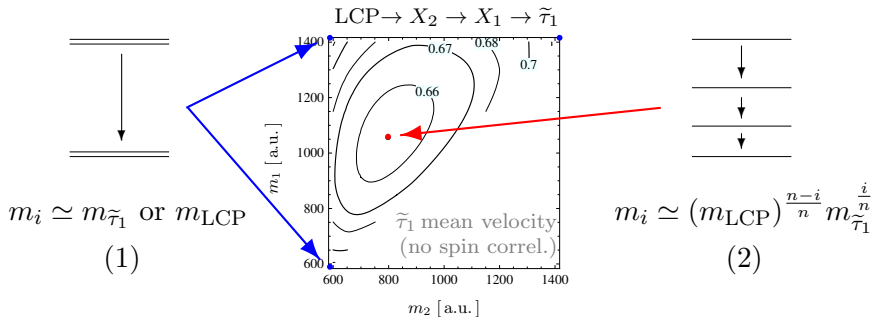
## Decay:

- Velocity of staus depends strongly on mass gap:  
 $\min(m_{\widetilde{g}}, m_{\widetilde{q}}) - m_{\widetilde{\tau}_1}$   
 $\rightarrow m_{\widetilde{\tau}_1}$  as 3rd parameter
- What about intermediate sparticles?
- In principle large parameter space
- Consider slices. Which ones?  $\rightarrow$  Limiting cases!

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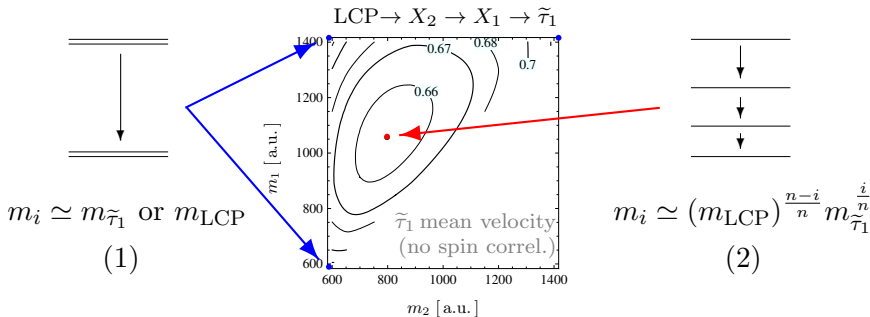


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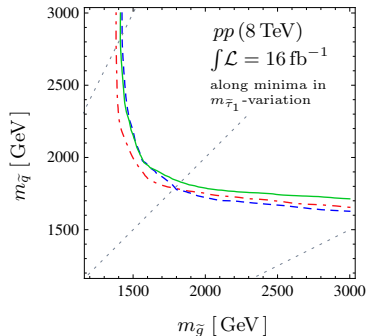
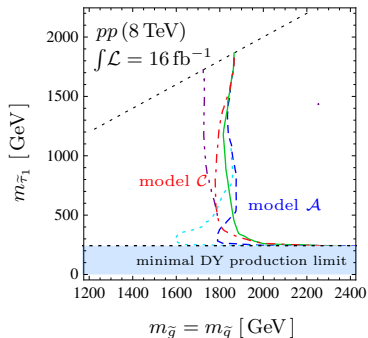
**Model A:** The ‘direct decay’ (1)

**Model B:** (2) for the 1-step decay LCP  $\rightarrow \tilde{\chi}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\tau}_1$

**Model C:** (2) for the 3-step decay LCP  $\rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\ell} \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\tau}_1$

# Projected exclusion limits

[1203.1581]



- Models  $\mathcal{A}$ - $\mathcal{C}$  lie within narrow band
- Conservative limits on squark and gluino masses  
 $16 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ @8 TeV:  $m_{\tilde{g}} \gtrsim 1.4 \text{ TeV}$ ,  $m_{\tilde{q}} \gtrsim 1.6 \text{ TeV}$ ,  $m_{\tilde{t}_1} \gtrsim 950 \text{ GeV}$
- Direct DY ‘saves’ model-independent approach

# Conclusions

- Simplified models works well with small # of parameters
- Capture more parameters: Slicing
- Good description of scenarios with HSCPs, reason:  
Hierarchy in importance of parameters
- Model-independent bounds possible
- MET searches more complicated  
Similar slicing possible?

Thank you for your attention!