

Techniques for Probing SUSY at Colliders

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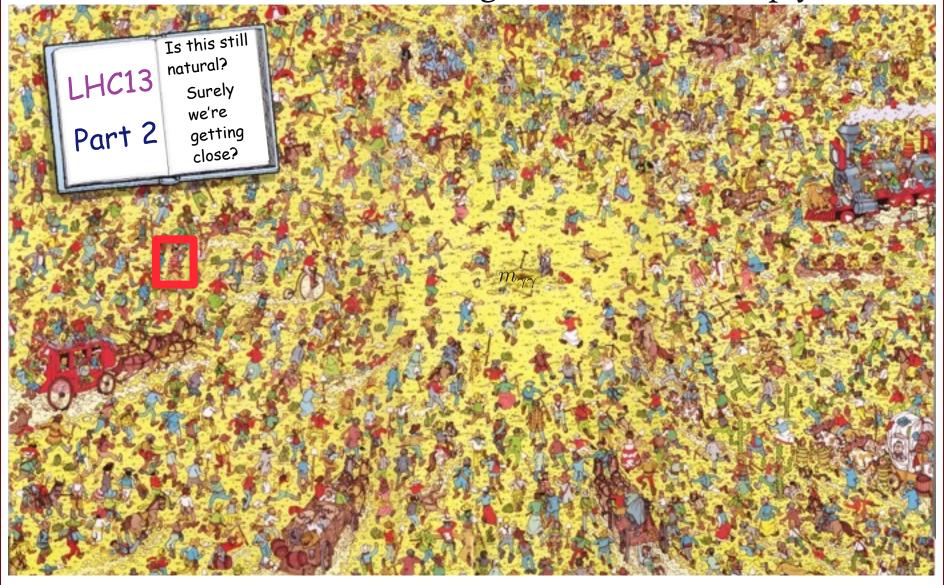
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Not quite the right analogy...

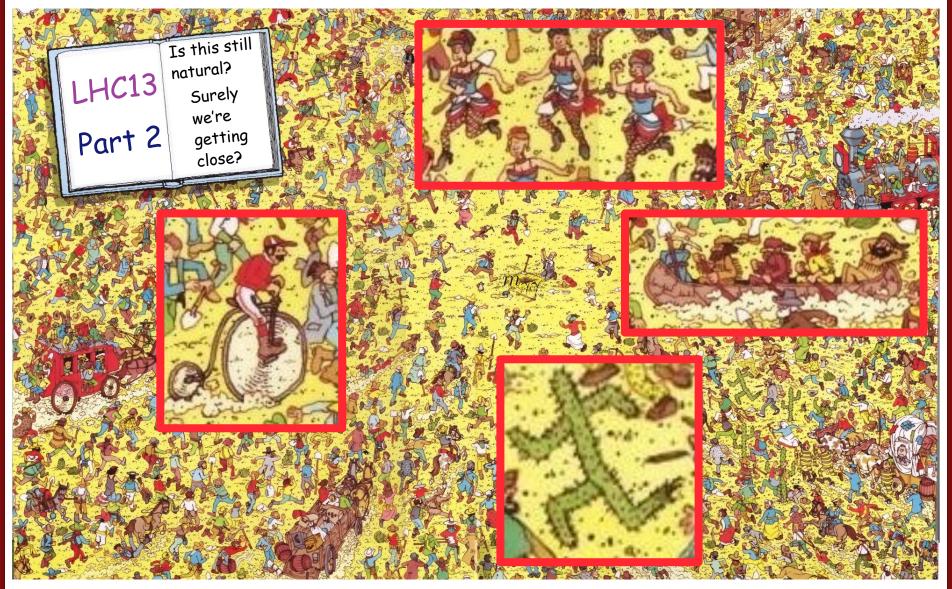
... "SUSY" isn't one signature that we simply look for



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Rather: Is this what LHC13 is supposed to look like?...

...Are our observations consistent with the SM?



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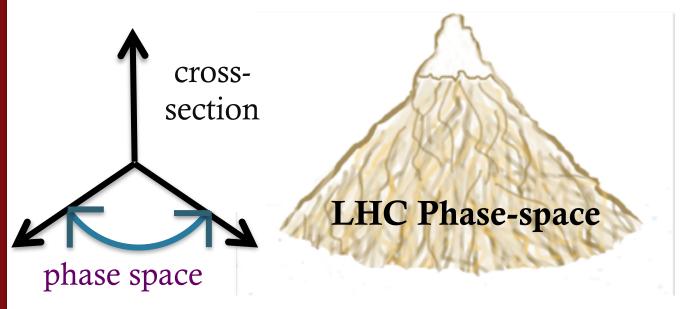
Less like searching for a single person

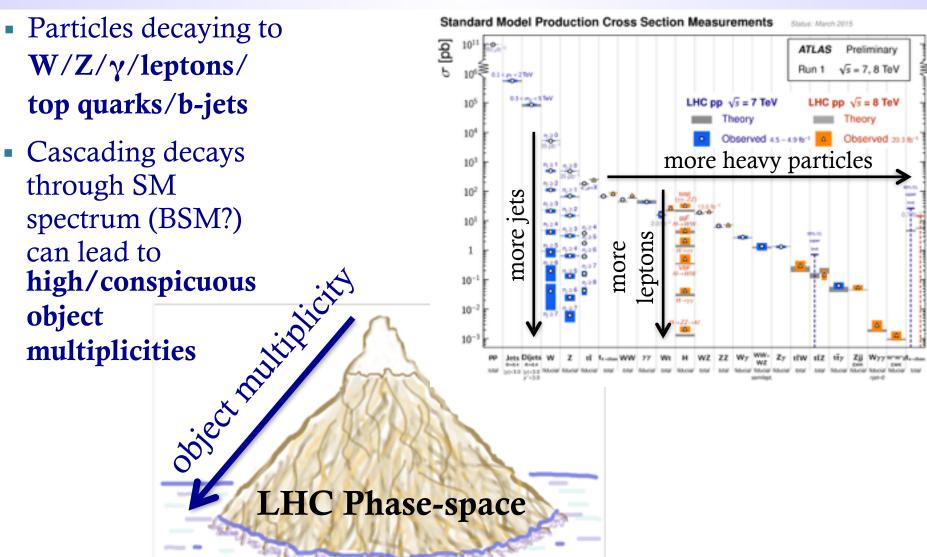
More like exploring a previously unvisited landscape, searching for new flora/fauna/geographical features

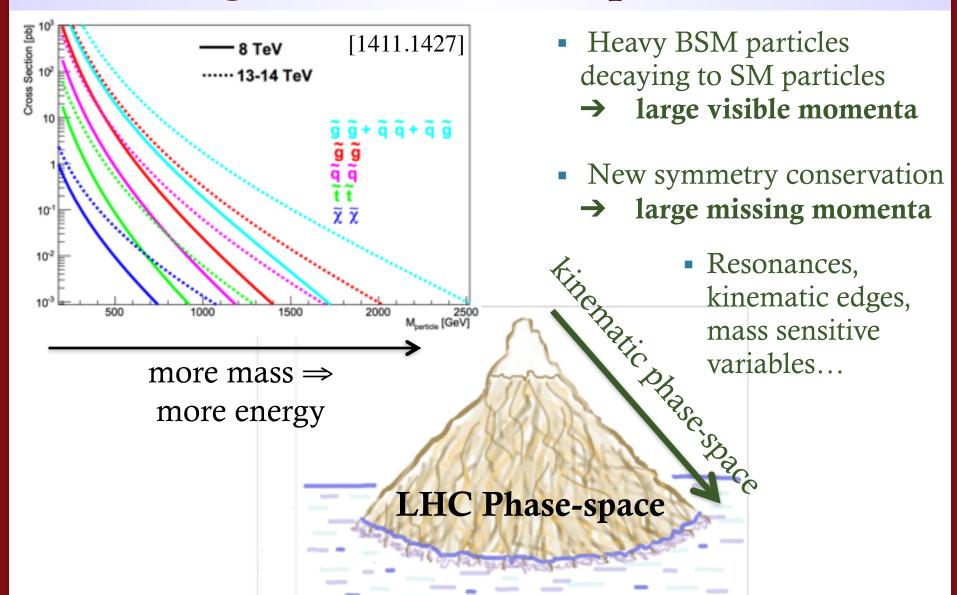
LHC Mountain

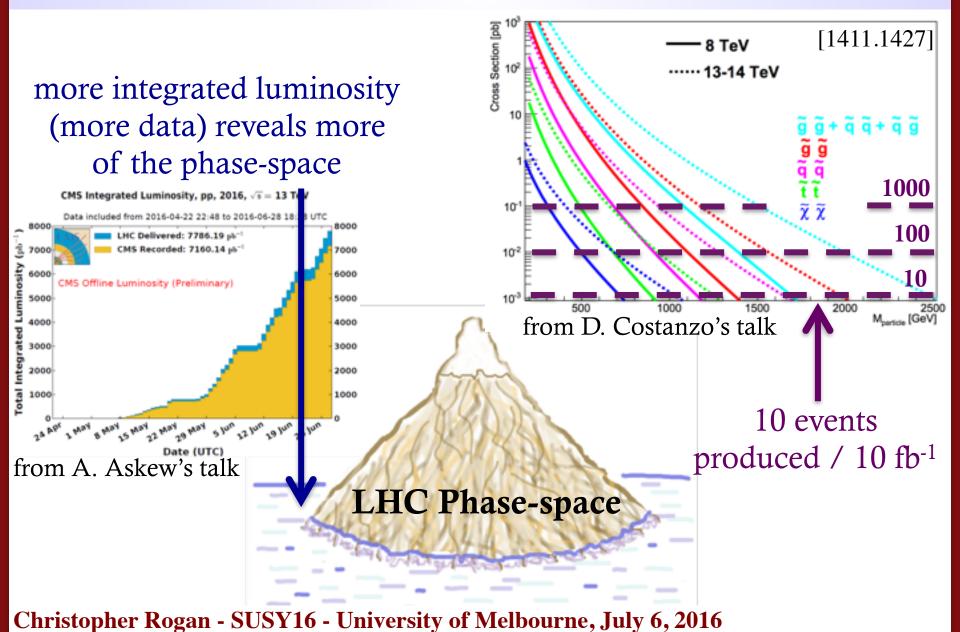
The elevation represents the rate of production of different types of collision events

The lateral distance from the center of the mountain represents what's in those collision events, i.e. how rare they are



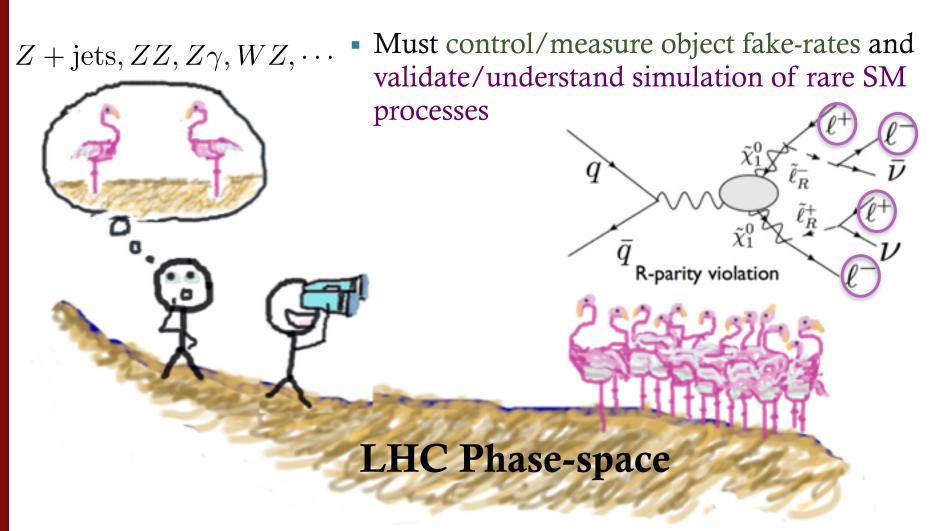






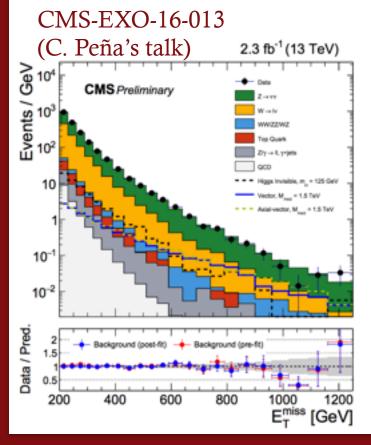
Searching for rare events

 BSM physics can potentially produce event topologies rarely seen in the SM



Searching for general excesses

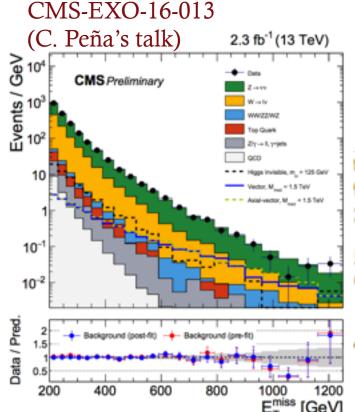
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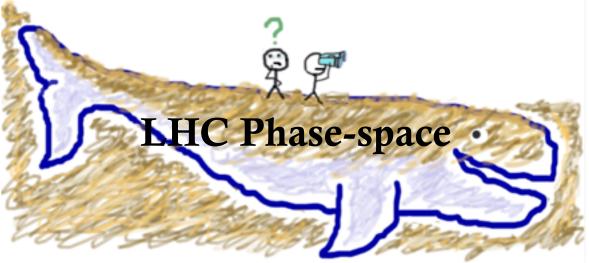


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 Must have an accurate reference expectation for the SM to see subtle features!

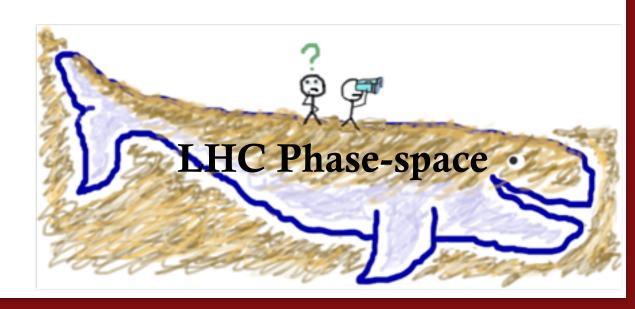


Searching for general excesses



Nearby regions of phase space are often necessary to contextualize our observations in signal sensitive regions sidebands, control regions, ...

LHC Phase-space



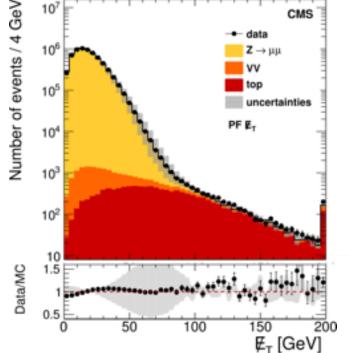
The view from the pole(s)

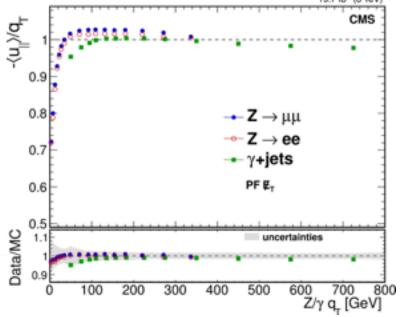
• SUSY searches begin at 'the pole': W/Z bosons, tops, quarkonia candles

Used to:

select control samples of leptons, photons, b-jets, ... calibrate/measure object reconstruction performance, fake-rates, energy scales



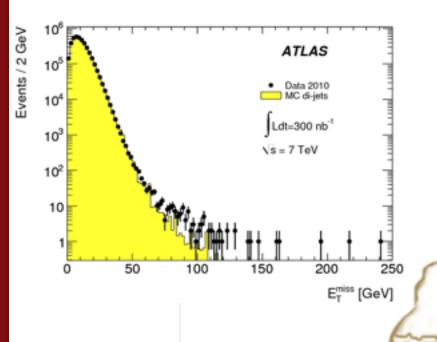


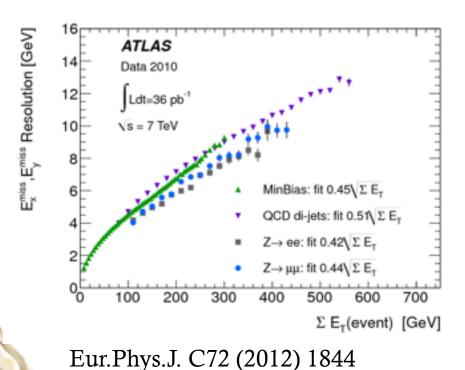


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The view from the peak

- BSM searches begin at 'the rate peak': QCD mult-ijets
- Used to: select control samples of leptons, photons, b-jets, ... calibrate/measure object reconstruction performance, fake-rates, energy scales validate our understanding of the SM in new phase-space

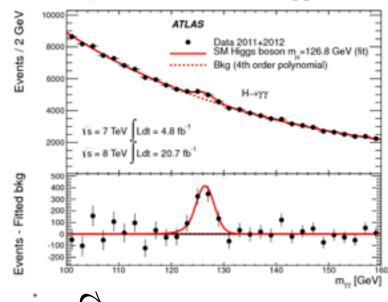




Searching for kinematic features

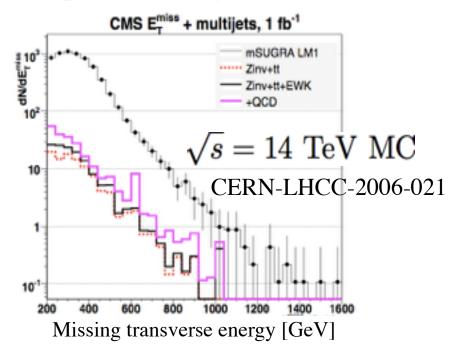
- New physics can produce kinematic features that are not expected in the SM – bumps, edges…
- Understanding/measuring/improving physics object reconstruction essential for being able to resolve these features

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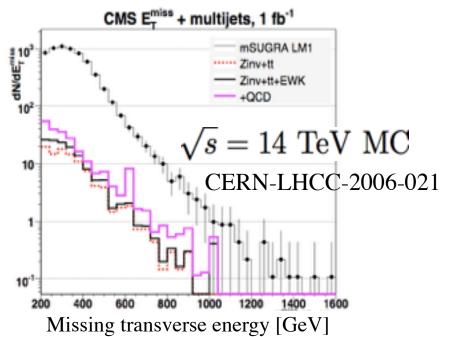


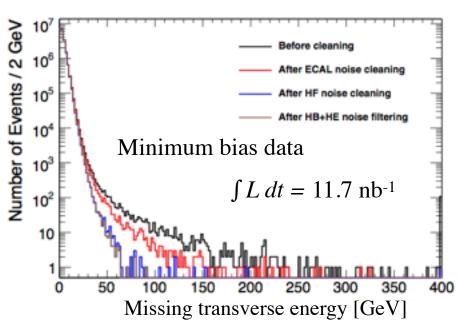
Two plots from my SUSY10 conference talk...



we turned the LHC on in 2010 hoping to see this...

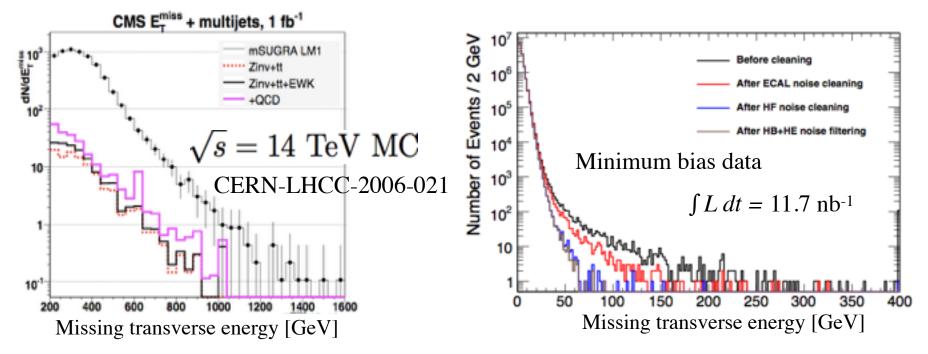
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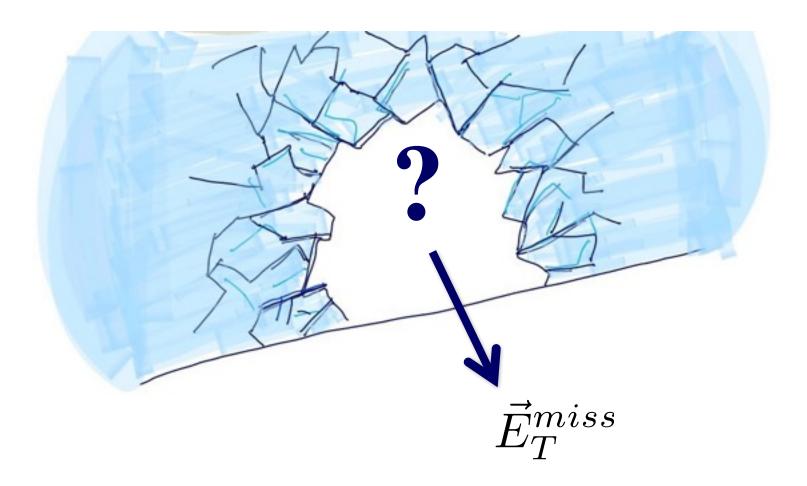
...and we got this

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Missing transverse energy is a powerful observable for inferring the presence of weakly interacting particles in events...

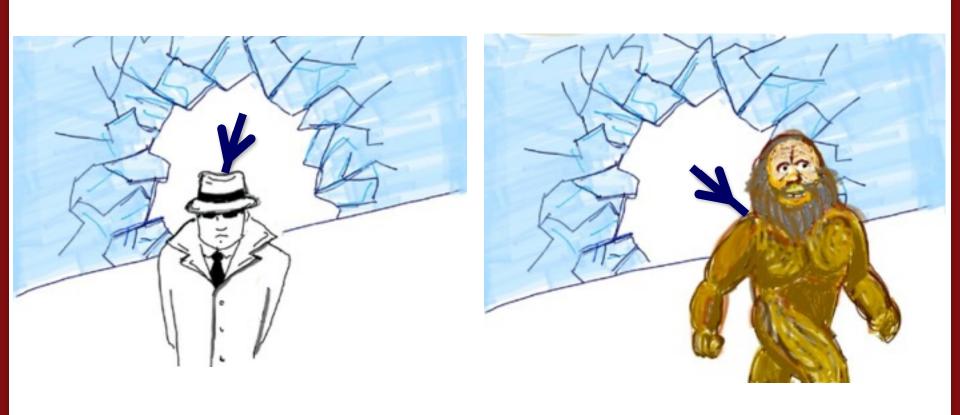
...but, it only tells us about their transverse momenta – often we can better resolve quantities of interest by using additional information



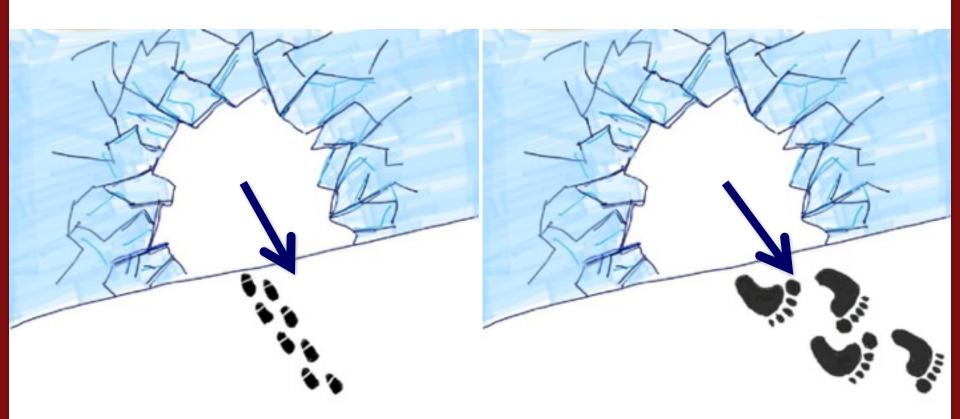
Missing transverse energy only tells us about the momentum of weakly interacting particles in an event...



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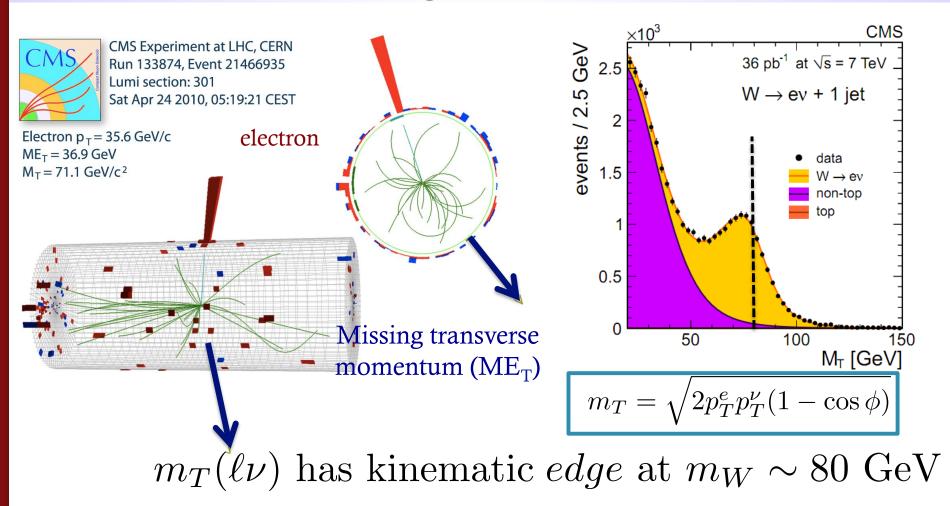


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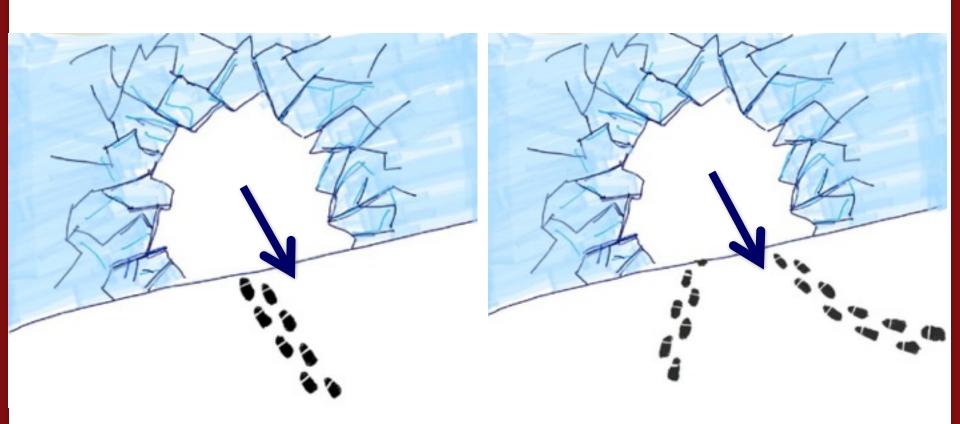


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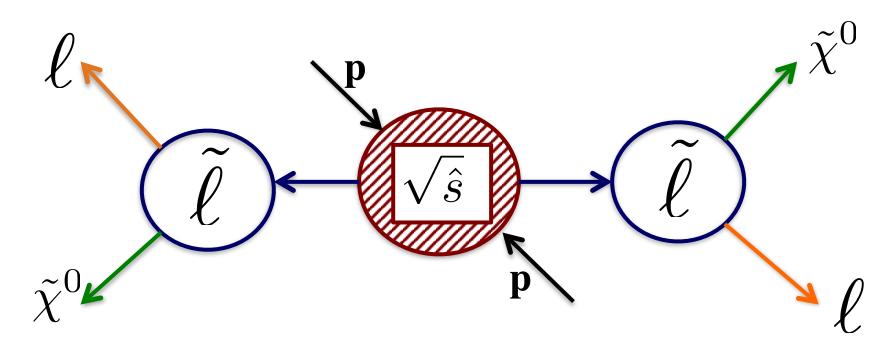
Resolving the invisible $W(e\nu)$



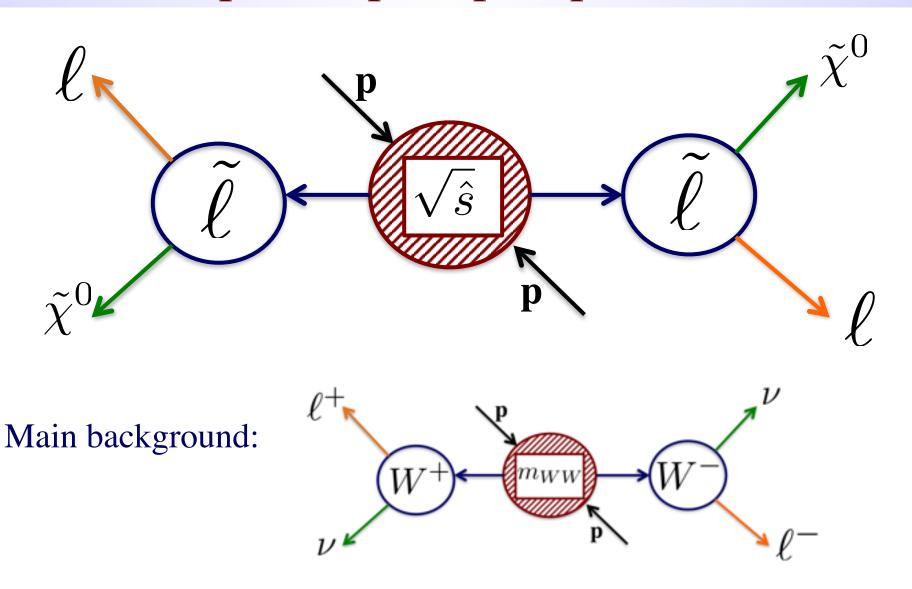
Can use visible particles in events to contextualize missing transverse energy and better resolve mass scales

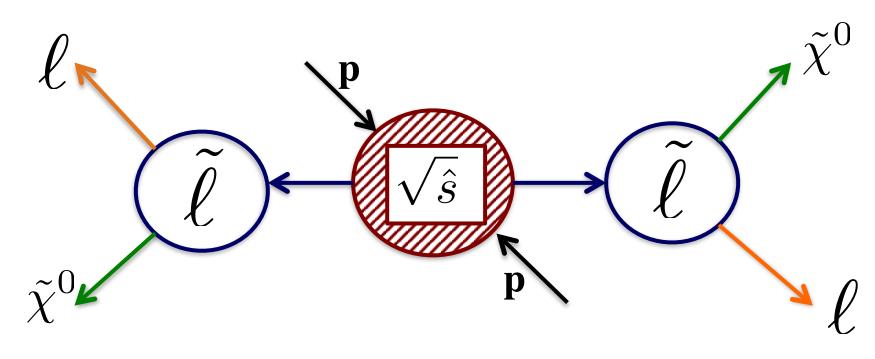


We can learn more by using other information in an event to contextualize the missing transverse energy ⇒ what about multiple weakly interacting particles?



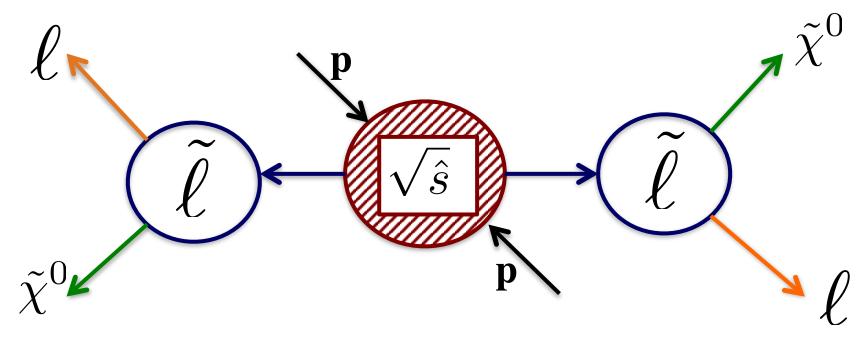
Experimental signature: di-lepton final states with missing transverse momentum





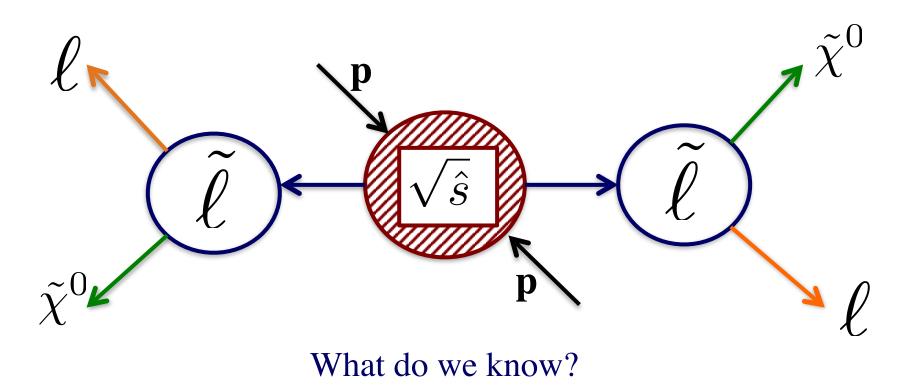
What quantities, if we could calculate them, could help us distinguish between signal and background events?

$$\sqrt{\hat{s}} = 2 \gamma^{decay} m_{ ilde{\ell}} \qquad M_{\Delta} \equiv rac{m_{ ilde{l}}^2 - m_{ ilde{\chi}^0}^2}{m_{ ilde{l}}}$$

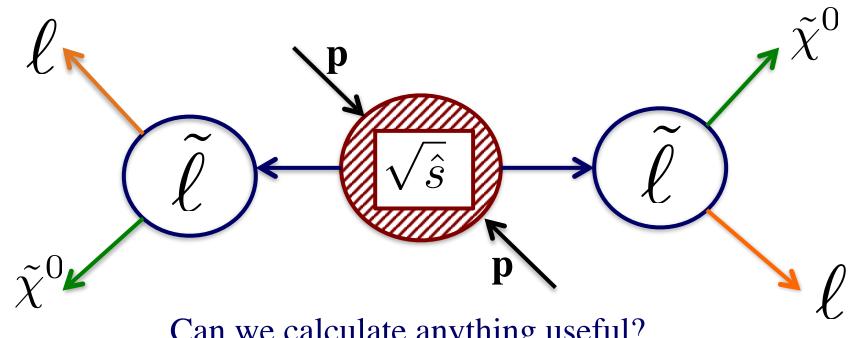


What information are we missing?

We don't observe the weakly interacting particles in the event. We can't measure their momentum or masses.



We can reconstruct the 4-vectors of the two leptons and the transverse momentum in the event



Can we calculate anything useful?

With a number of simplifying assumptions...

$$\vec{E}_T^{miss} = \sum \vec{p}_T^{\tilde{\chi}^0} \quad m_{\tilde{\chi}^0} = 0$$

...we are still 4 d.o.f. short of reconstructing any masses of interest

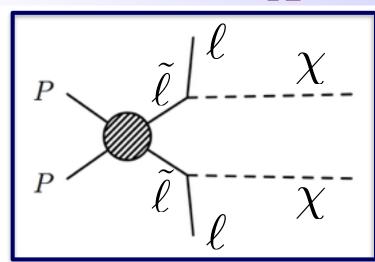
'Singularity' Mass Variables

State-of-the-art for LHC Run I was to use
 singularity variables as observables in searches

- Derive observables that bound a mass or mass-splitting of interest by
 - Assuming knowledge of event decay topology
 - "Extremizing" over under-constrained kinematic degrees of freedom associated with weakly interacting particles

Singularity Variable Example: M_{T2}

Generalization of transverse mass to two weakly interacting particle events



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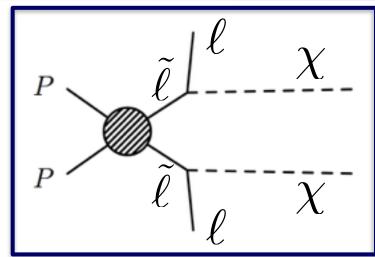
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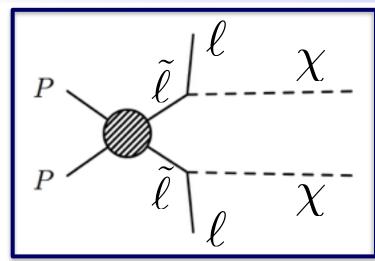
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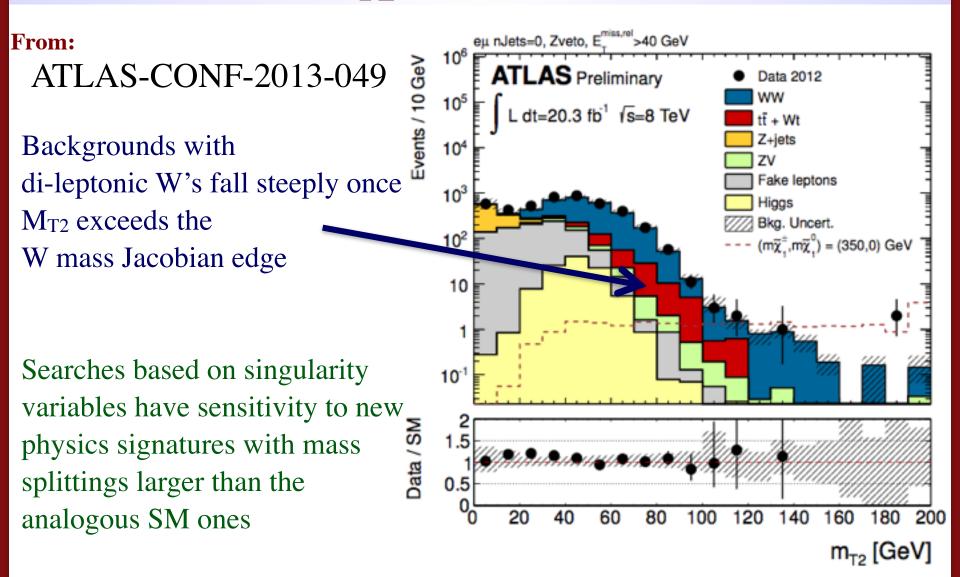
Constructed to have a kinematic endpoint

(with the right test mass) at:
$$M_{T2}^{\max}(m_\chi) = m_{\tilde{\ell}}$$
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M_{T2} in practice



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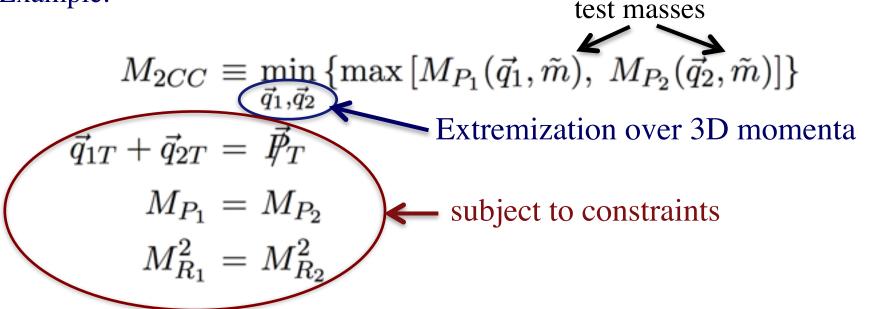
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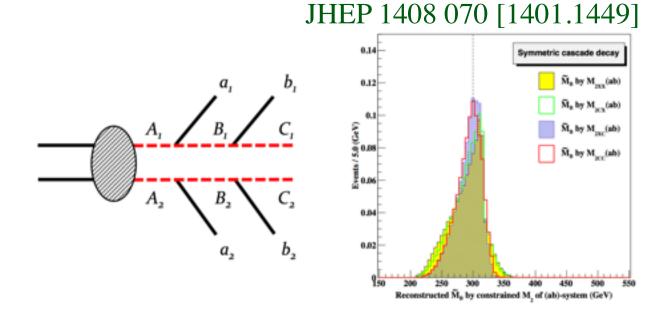


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See talks from Partha Konar and Abhaya Kumar Swain at SUSY16

SUSY Search Variables

 A list (incomplete) of observables used in the collider searches described at SUSY16:

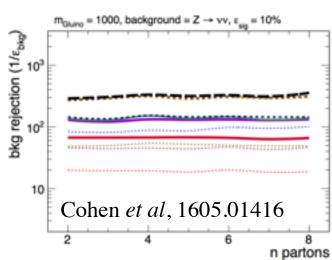
$$E_T^{\text{miss}}, H_T^{\text{miss}}, H_T, S_T, L_T, M_{eff}, \frac{E_T^{\text{miss}}}{M_{eff}}$$
 $\frac{E_T^{\text{miss}}}{\sqrt{H_T}}, M_{T2}, M_{CT}, M_{CT\perp}, M_R, R$
 $L_p, \min \Delta \phi_{\text{jet}, E_T^{\text{miss}}}, \alpha_T, dE/dx, \beta$
 $M_{jj}, \Sigma M_{\text{jet}}, \bar{M}_{\text{jet}}, M_{\text{fat jet}}, M_{\gamma\gamma}, M_{\ell\ell}$
 $N_{\text{jet}}, N_{\text{b-tag}}, N_{\ell}, N_{\gamma}, \cdots$

 See the many experimental/pheno talks in this conference for descriptions/explanations

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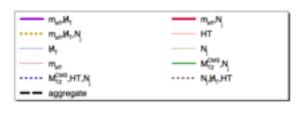
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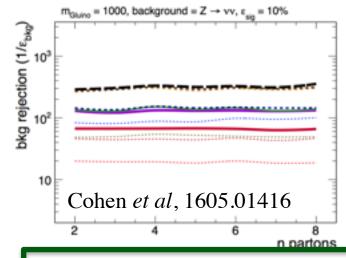
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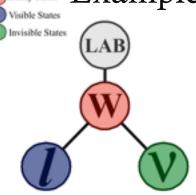
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- Recursive Jigsaw Reconstruction [P. Jackson, CR,1607.xxxx]
 is a systematic prescription for deriving such a basis

Example: single W production

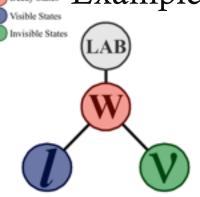


four unknown d.o.f. associated with neutrino $(\vec{p}_{\nu,T}, \ p_{\nu,z}, \ m_{\nu})$

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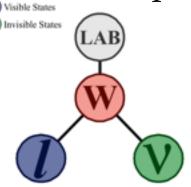
re-express under-constrained d.o.f. in terms of unknown velocity along beam-line to W rest frame

$$p_{\nu,z} \to \beta_z^{\mathrm{LAB} \to W}$$

choose β_z such that equivalent to setting the nu rapidity equal to the lepton's

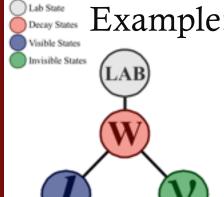
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we have essentially re-derived the W transverse mass

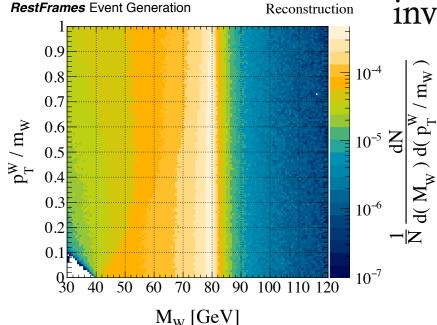


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energy of lepton after boost

subtlety:
$$\frac{\partial M_W(\beta_z)}{\partial \beta_z} \propto \frac{\partial (\Lambda_{\beta_z} \mathbf{p}_\ell)_0}{\partial \beta_z}$$

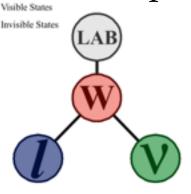
our W mass variable is (manifestly) invariant under longitudinal boosts



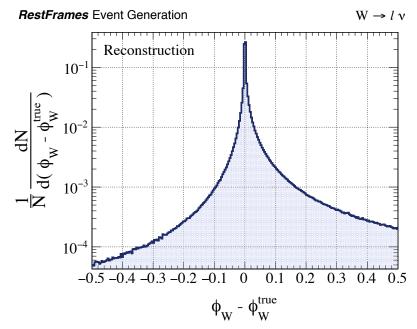
it is also invariant to order β_T^2 to transverse boosts

our approximation of the W rest frame has these same properties

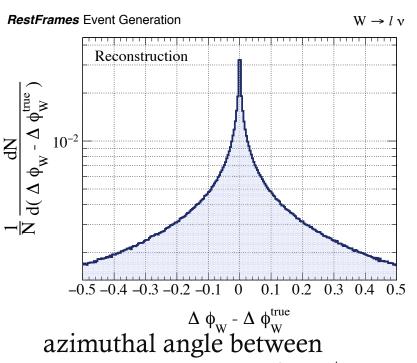
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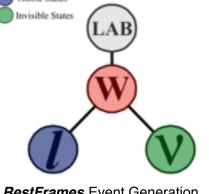


transverse part of W decay angle

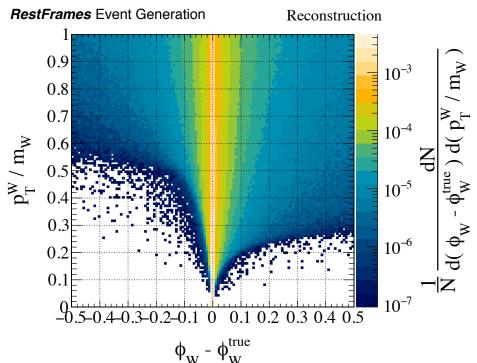


W decay plane and $\vec{p}_{W,T}/\hat{n}_z$ plane

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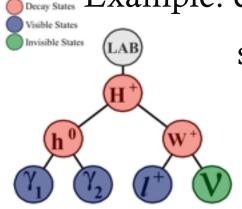


$$\vec{p}_{W,T}, M_W, \phi_W, \Delta\phi_W$$

Observables defined in a particular reference frame inherit derived properties of that frame

 ϕ_W is invariant under longitudinal boosts and up to order β_T^2 in transverse ones

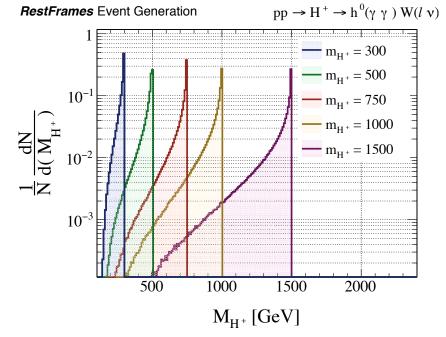
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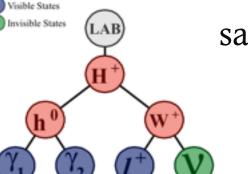
same unknown d.o.f. and constraints as W case

choose β_z such that the rapidity of the neutrino is the same as the $h^0(\gamma\gamma) + \ell$ system (minimizes M_{H^+})

procedure gives us our transverse mass...

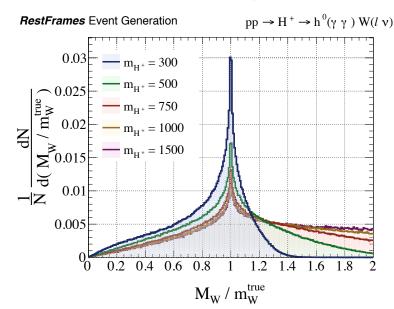


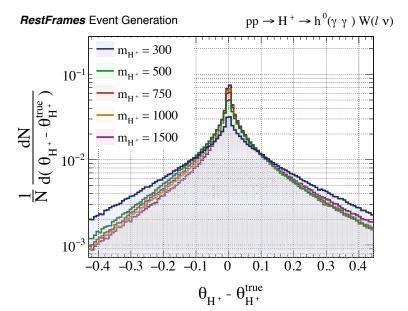
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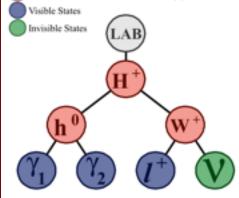
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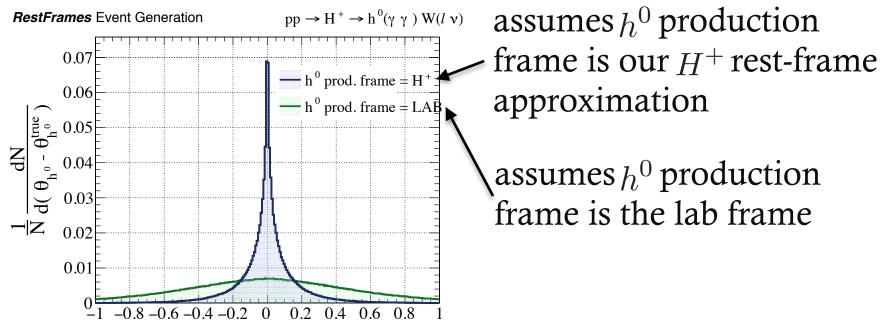


...and a full basis of ~uncorrelated observables

State: Example: charged Higgs production

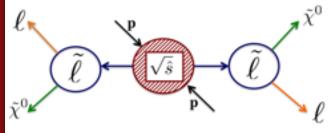


RJR procedure provides a complete, physicsmotivated basis that improves resolution of kinematic features we are interested in



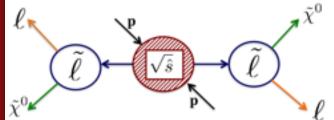
 θ_{h^0} - $\theta_{h^0}^{true}$ - 3D neutral Higgs decay angle Christopher Rogan - SUSY16 - University of Melbourne, July 6, 2016

Example: di-sleptons



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four simplifying constraints
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Tricky mass problem:

The invariant mass is invariant under coherent

Lorentz transformations of two particles

$$m_{inv}^2(p_1, p_2) = m_1^2 + m_2^2 + 2(E_1 E_2 - \vec{p}_1 \cdot \vec{p}_2)$$

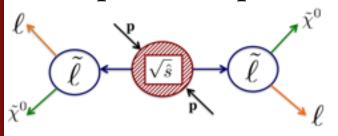
The Euclidean mass (or contra-variant mass) is invariant under anti-symmetric Lorentz transformations of two particles

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For two mass observables $(\sqrt{\hat{s}}, m_{\tilde{\ell}})$ we want to capture both types of behavior...

di-sleptons

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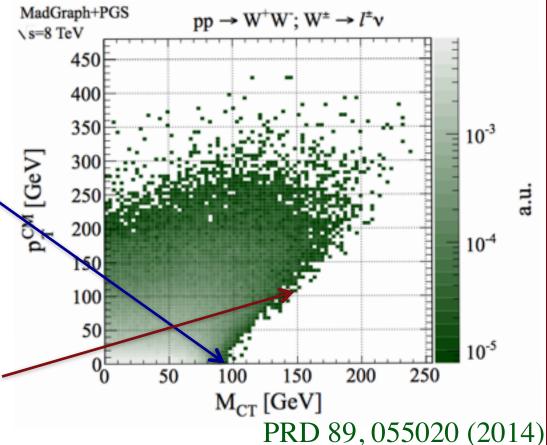
contraboost invariant transverse mass has same $M_{\Delta} \equiv \frac{m_{\tilde{l}}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}^0}^2}{m_{\tilde{l}}}$ end-point, irrespective

of $\sqrt{\hat{s}}$...

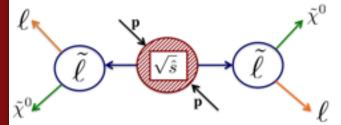
...but end-point is not invariant under Lorentz boost of CM system

assuming ~mass-less leptons

$$M_{CT}^2 = 2 \left(p_T^{\ell_1} p_T^{\ell_2} + \vec{p}_T^{\ \ell_1} \cdot \vec{p}_T^{\ \ell_2} \right)$$
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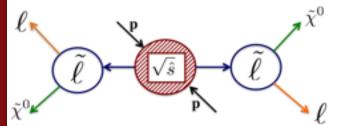


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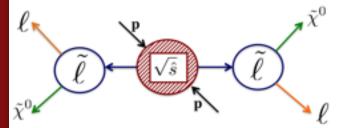
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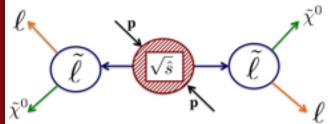
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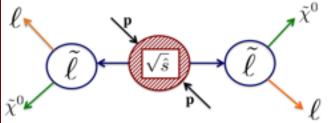
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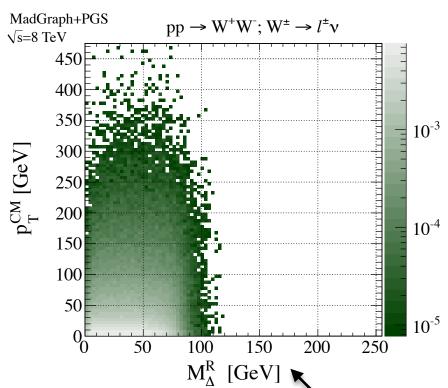
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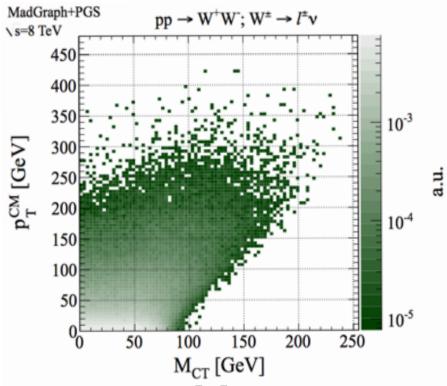
which allows us to determine longitudinal component of $\vec{\beta}^{\rm LAB \to CM}$ by minimizing $\sqrt{\hat{s}}$, as in previous examples

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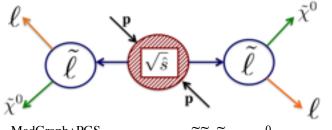
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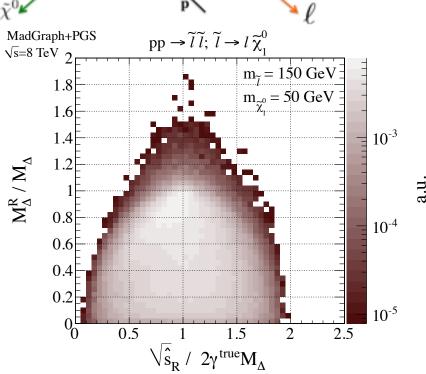


new mass-estimator acts like pT-corrected M_{CT}

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MadGraph+PGS $pp \rightarrow ll; l \rightarrow l \chi_1^0; m = 150 \text{ GeV}$ 0.035 0.02 0.025 0.015 0.01 0.01 0.01 0.005 0.01 0.005 0.01

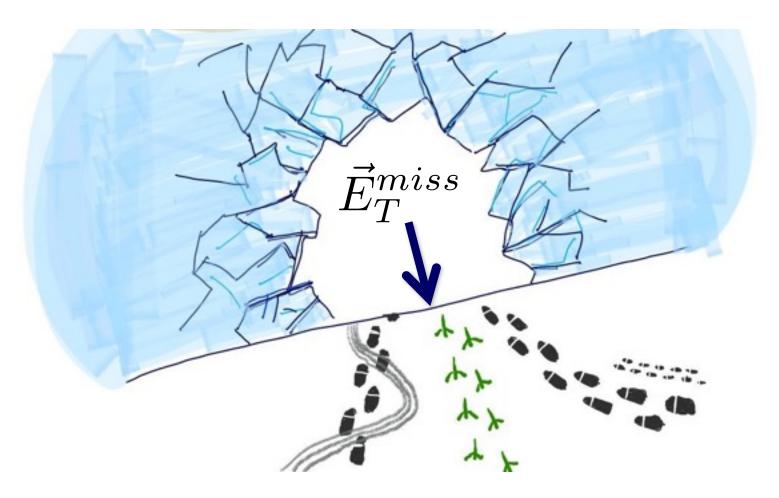
extracts ~uncorrelated estimators for both mass scales

along with complete basis of other observables

New approach to reconstructing final states with weakly interacting particles: *Recursive Jigsaw Reconstruction*

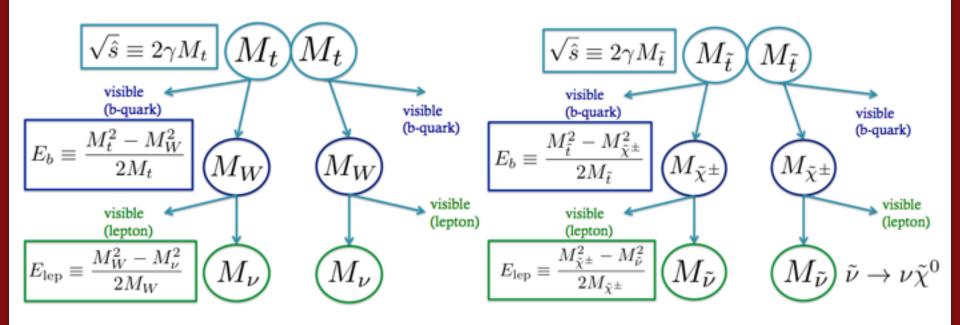
- The strategy is to transform observable momenta iteratively *reference-frame to reference-frame*, traveling through each of the reference frames relevant to the topology
- Recursive: At each step, specify only the relevant d.o.f. related to that transformation ⇒ apply a <u>Jigsaw Rule</u>
 Repeat procedure recursively, using the visible momenta encountered in each reference frame
- **Jigsaw:** each of these rules is factorizable/customizable/interchangeable like a (strange) jigsaw puzzle pieces
- Rather than obtaining one observable, get a complete basis of useful observables for each event
- See P. Jackson and L. Lee's talks for additional applications

Generalizing Further...



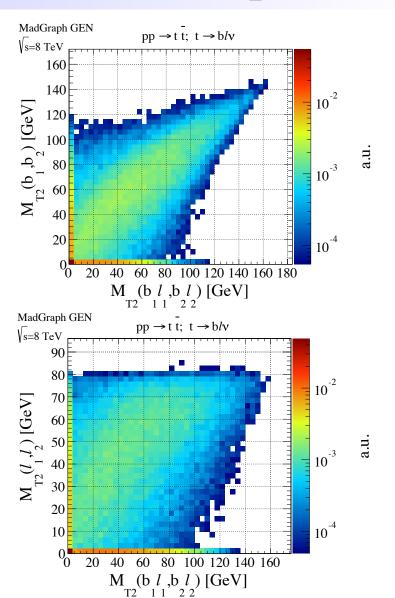
Recursive Jigsaw approach can be generalized to arbitrarily complex final states with weakly interacting particles

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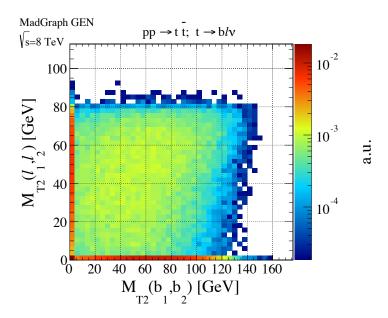


In more complicated decay topologies there can be many masses/mass-splittings, spin-sensitive angles and other observables of interest that can be used to distinguish between the SM and SUSY signals

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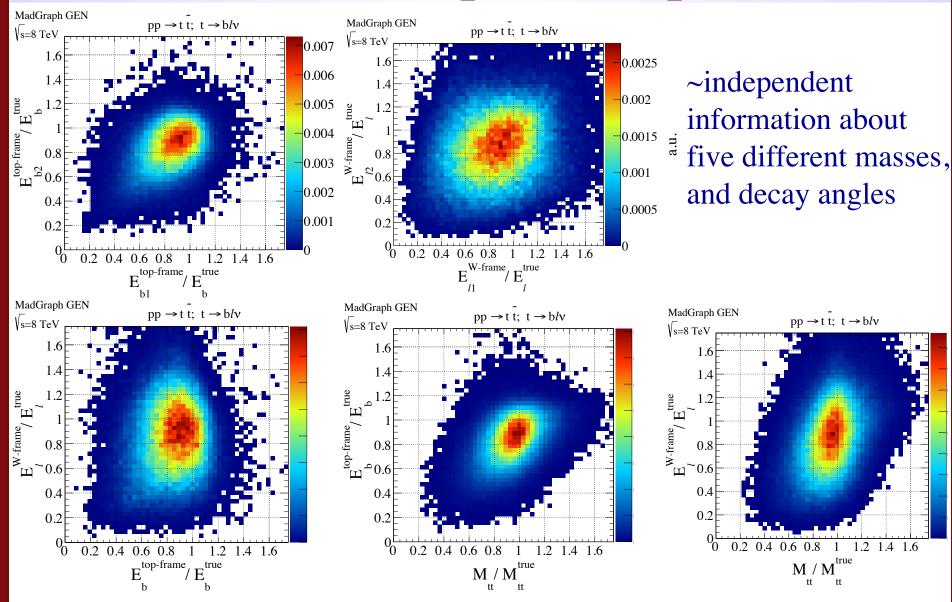


Mass-sensitive singularity variables are sensitive to mass splittings through end-points, but are not necessarily independent



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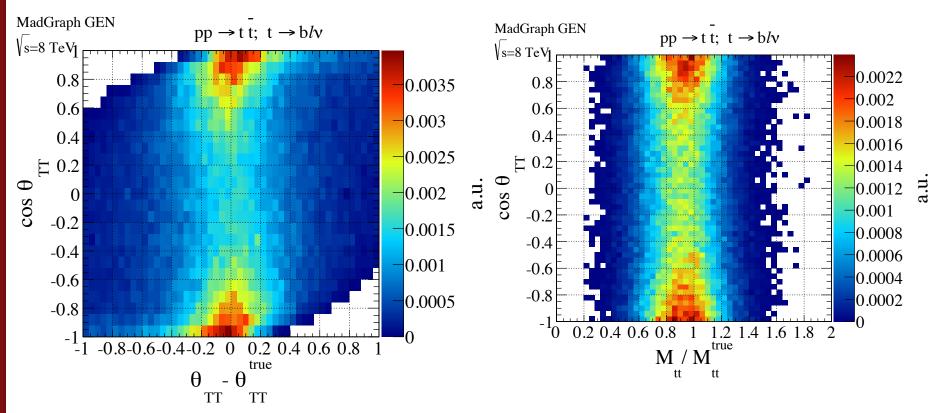
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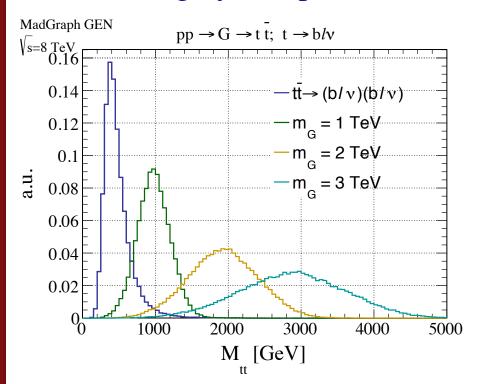
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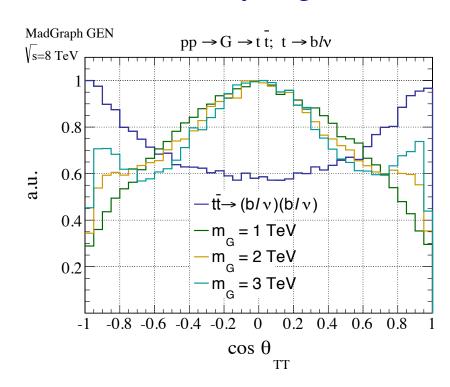


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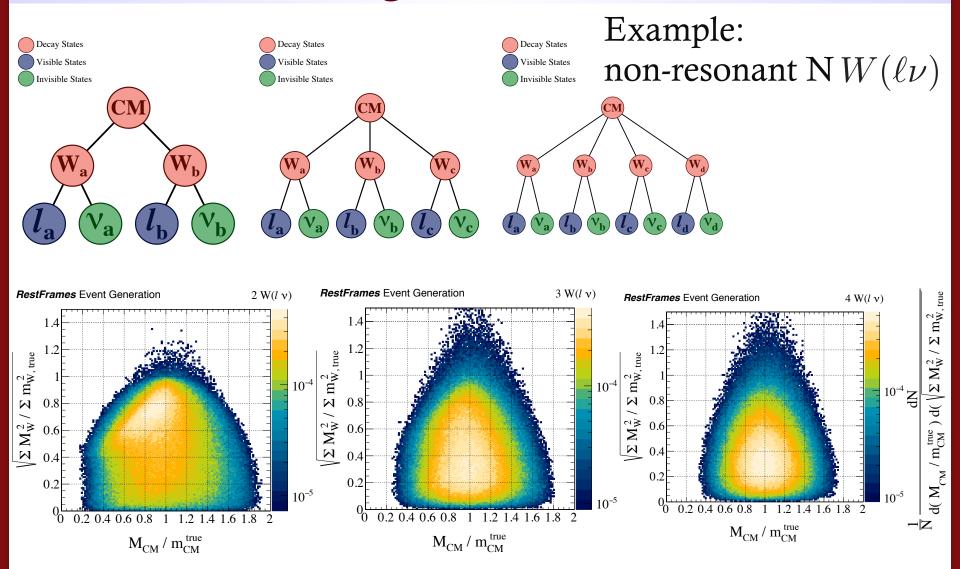
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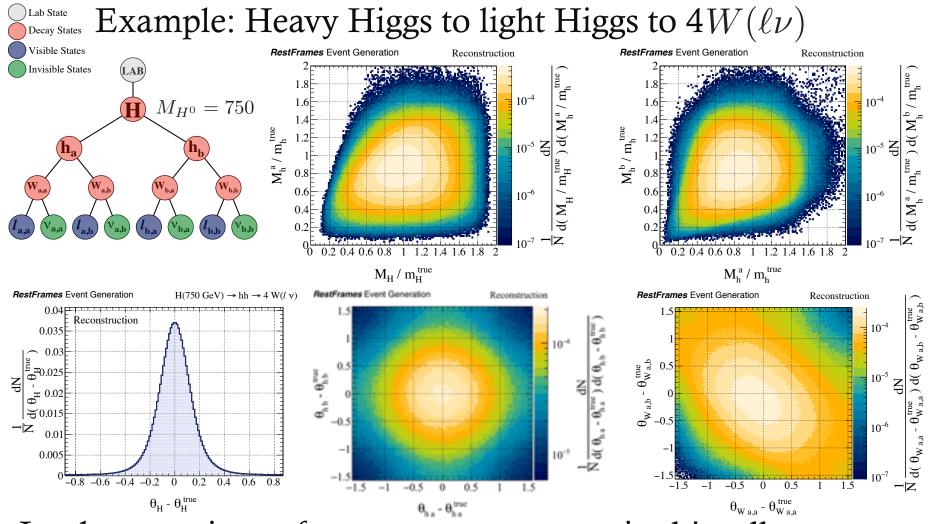




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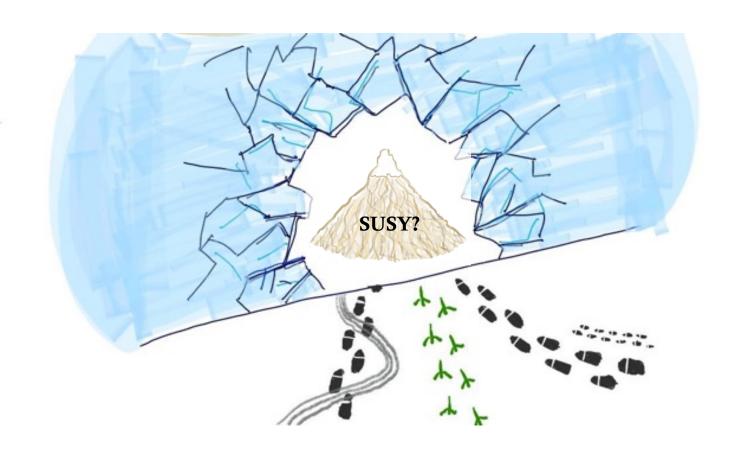
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Implementations of the examples shown in this talk are available in the public software **RestFrames** (www.RestFrames.com)

Summary

- Probing SUSY at colliders (here LHC13) involves understanding a large, new, phase-space
 - Boot-strapping our understanding of the SM and detectors from the poles to the regions where we're searching for evidence of BSM physics
- Many different way to partition that phase-space
 - Observables designed for every final state, every kinematic feature we hope to exploit. Enormous breadth of techniques/strategies/signatures
- We're getting closer to a discovery, SUSY or other
 - More data reveals more phase-space, increasingly detailed analyses probing more thoroughly.
 - No stone left unexamined maybe SUSY17?



BACKUP SLIDES

Open vs. closed final states

CLOSED
$$H \to Z(\ell\ell)Z(\ell\ell)$$
 Can calculate all masses, momenta, angles

Can use masses for discovery, can use information to measure spin, CP, etc.

OPEN
$$H \to W(\ell\nu)W(\ell\nu)$$

Under-constrained system with multiple weakly interacting particles – can't calculate all the kinematic information

What useful information can we calculate?

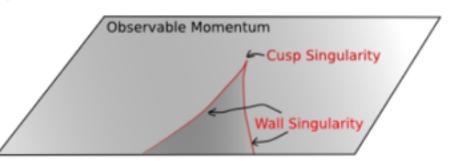
What can we measure?

Singularity variables

<u>Kinematic Singularities</u>. A singularity is a point where the local tangent space cannot be defined as a plane, or has a different dimension than the tangent spaces at non-singular points.

From:

Ian-Woo Kim. Algebraic singularity method for mass measurements with missing energy. Phys. Rev. Lett., 104:081601, Feb 2010.



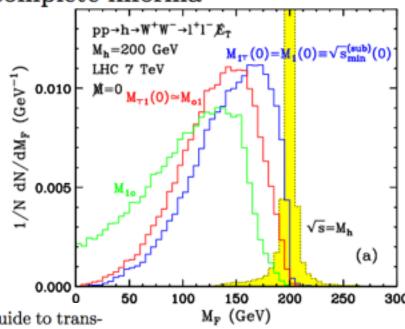
Full Phase Space

projection

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Singularity variables

The guiding principle we employ for creating useful hadron-collider event variables, is that: we should place the best possible bounds on any Lorentz invariants of interest, such as parent masses or the center-of-mass energy $\hat{s}^{1/2}$, in any cases where it is not possible to determine the actual values of those Lorentz invariants due to incomplete event information. Such incomplete informa-



From:

A.J. Barr, T.J. Khoo, P. Konar, K. Kong, C.G. Lester, et al. Guide to transverse projections and mass-constraining variables. *Phys.Rev.*, D84:095031, 2011.

p_T corrections for M_{CT}

Attempts have been made to mitigate this problem:

(i) 'Guess' the lab → CM frame boost:

$$M_{CT(\text{corr})} = \begin{cases} M_{CT} & \text{after boosting by } \beta = p_b/E_{\text{cm}} & \text{if } A_{x(\text{lab})} \geq 0 \text{ or } A'_{x(\text{lo})} \geq 0 \\ M_{CT} & \text{after boosting by } \beta = p_b/\hat{E} & \text{if } A'_{x(\text{hi})} < 0 \\ M_{Cy} & \text{if } A'_{x(\text{hi})} \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$A_x = p_x[q_1]E_y[q_2] + p_x[q_2]E_y[q_1]$$

x – parallel to boost y – perp. to boost
$$M_{Cy}^2 = p_x[q_1]E_y[q_2] + p_x[q_2]E_y[q_1]$$
 with:
$$M_{Cy}^2 = (E_y[q_1] + E_y[q_2])^2 - (p_y[q_1] - p_y[q_2])^2$$

Giacomo Polesello and Daniel R. Tovey. Supersymmetric particle mass measurement with the boost-corrected contransverse mass. JHEP, 1003:030, 2010.



(ii) Only look at event along axis perpendicular to boost:

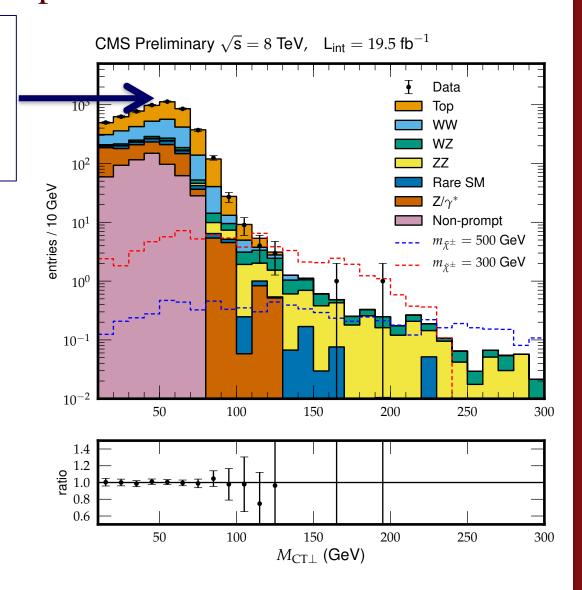
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M_{CTperp} in practice

'peak position' of signal and backgrounds due to other cuts (p_T, MET) and only weakly sensitive to sparticle masses

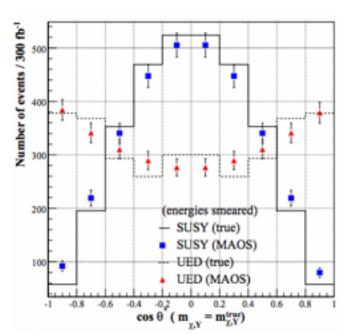
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What other info can we extract?

Ex. M_{T2} extremization assigns values to missing degrees of freedom – if one takes these assignments literally, can we calculate other useful variables?



From:

Mass and Spin Measurement with M(T2) and MAOS Momentum - Cho, Won Sang et al. Nucl.Phys.Proc.Suppl. 200-202 (2010) 103-112 arXiv:0909.4853 [hep-ph]

When we assign unconstrained d.o.f. by extremizing one quantity, what are the general properties of other variables we calculate? What are the correlations among them?