





Soft objects for new Physics

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- If we cannot extend the energy reach (without waiting a decade), we need extend/improve ways to find new physics instead



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Focus on soft objects in this talk

soft OS leptons + MET

Dark Matter Friends



Simple picture suggests:

- Mono + MET
- Overlap of sensitivity

Look at a concrete (not crazy) example:

• SU(2) multiplet Wimp*

SU (2) multiples

e.g. higgsino



- Naturally *multiple* mass compressed states
- Produce W* and Z* in decay: mono + X +MET

LHC production



- Not acessable to direct detection due to heavier mass eigenstate. (H propagator for dir. dec.)
- No indirect as N2 are missing
- High complementarity between DM approaches

Natural Higgsinos

A "traditional" typical natural spectra

$$m_h^2 \simeq \mu^2 + \left(m_{H_u}^2(\Lambda) + \delta m_{H_u}^2\right)$$

Combining dependent terms
$$\mu^2 \text{ and } \left(m_{H_u}^2(\Lambda) + \delta m_{H_u}^2\right) \text{ are } \sim m_Z^2$$

"Other" natural spectra
H. Baer. et al. 2013

 $m(\tilde{g}) < 2 (4) \text{ TeV}$ $m(\tilde{t}) < 1 (3) \text{ TeV}$ $m(\tilde{h}) < 300 \text{ GeV}$

- Low \widetilde{h} masses are an ingredient of natural SUSY not yet challenged at LHC
- Likely mass-compressed light $\chi^{0}_{2}, \chi^{\pm}_{1}, \chi^{0}_{1}$ in natural SUSY

DM Relic density for SUSY WIMP



- Coannihilation regions are a mechanism to reduce DM and get right relic density. Occur often in e.g. pMSSM.
- Typically 10-30 GeV mass splitting between coannihilation partners, i.e. compressed spectra

Search strategies for compressed spectra

Monojet or monojet+soft particles or VBF



Higgsino spectra



Depending on M1 and M2 (Wino/Bino mass) splitting is a of the order few GeV for Higgsinos

Reach of Mono-jet and disa. track



Taking 300 GeV as naturalness boundary, only 100 TeV would seal the deal for pure higgsinos with Mono-jet or disappearing tracks.

Sharing of the boost

In χ^2_0 restframe, p^* of decay products < $\Delta M/2$

- (N)NLSP heavy and close to LSP
- Soft OS leptons can be produced in NLSP decay(s)

$$p_{\parallel}^{CMS} = \gamma(p_{\parallel}^* + \beta E^*)$$

- Light particle (i.e. lepton): p*_{||} ~ E* Heavy particle (i.e. LSP): p*_{||} << E*



- Leptons get small boost compared to SU(2) WIMPs
- Requiring SFOS soft leptons with small M(II) reduces up O(100.000) of background w.r.t mono-jet at same MET cut!

Experimental constraints for muons



Trigger, *two* muon stations:
~ 4 GeV in central region
Offline (one muon station):
~ 3.5 GeV in central region

- Magnetic field and energy loss set a minimum P_T to pass the magnet of ~> 3 GeV
- Forward we can go as low at 2 GeV

New soft μ + MET trigger

New trigger:

- MET
- 2 opposite sign muons
- M(μμ) < 60 GeV

Offline requirements:

- MET > 125 GeV
- p_T(μ) > 5 GeV

- MET > 125 GeV instead of 200 GeV
- Doubled sensitivity to compressed spectra

Soft opposite sign lepton search SUS-016-25



Search variables EWKino like:

- 0 GeV < M_{ττ} < 160 GeV
- max(M_T(I₁₂,MET)) < 70 GeV
- Impact parameter < 100 μm
- Abs. and rel. isolation
- Veto b-tagged jets
 Stop like (no Z*):
- No M_T requirement

Backgrounds:

 W+jet (non-prompt), VV, tt(2I), DY->IIvvvv

BKG prediction:

- "Tight-to-Loose" for "non-prompt"
- Control regions for tt, DY and validation checks for VV

Soft opposite sign lepton results

Pure Wino production x-sec



- First coverage of region for Δm from > 5 GeV to ~30 GeV
- Milestone for higgsino searches at the LHC (LEP~100 GeV)
- Preparing Higgsino interpretation for Moriond 2017

Can we go softer?

"Z* lepton jet" tagging



- Pheno studies suggest also for 3-5 GeV mass splitting soft muons similar to mono-jet
- Very complementary approach
- Eventually useful for dark photons

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- Pheno-studies assumed $P_T(\mu) > 5$ GeV, we go to 3.5 and can go lower in forward region.
- "Z* jet" R fixed, cold be scaled with P_T (boost)
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My personal expermentalist's view (yes, we can):

- We have a beautiful detector with track reconstruction starting at a few 100 MeV, muons of a few GeV ...
- Modern machine learning simplifies reconstruction
 algorithm development (see e.g. b-tagging)
- Both, especially combined, I think we still have significant improvement potential

Multiple soft leptons

EWKinos

ATLAS EWKino search with three soft leptons





Soft tri-muon trigger helped:

- Only 7 fb⁻¹ taken with soft tri-muon trigger at CMS in 2016
- ATLAS has soft tri-muon trigger

dark photons, ... ?

Various BSM model predict few or many soft lepton:

- Soft OS lepton, eventually displaces (dark photon)
- Many lepton in shower that are than naturally soft (e.g. from dark pions/photons in dark showers)





- Z*,W*,γ_d similar in dectetor
- Going soft might help also here (tri-soft-muon trigger for ATLAS)

soft b-tagging

t searches

Strongly motivated by natural SUSY



Strong motivation:

- Optimized targeted searches
- Difficult low MET regions:
 - $\Delta m(\tilde{t}, \chi^0_1)$ small
 - $\Delta m(\tilde{t}, \chi^0_1) \sim m(t)$
 - motivates special approaches

Low $p_{T}(b)$ SUS-016-29 (small ∆m selection)



Small $\Delta m(t, \chi^0_1)$ or $\Delta m(\chi^0_1, \chi^0_2)$ can lead to low 12.9 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV) tī/W Z(vv)+jets QCD Rare 10x T2fbd(375,295) 10x T2fbd(375.325) ••••• 10x T2fbd(375.355) $\Delta m(t, \chi^{0}_{1}) = 20 \text{ GeV}$ 250 200 300 $p_{T}(b_{12})$ [GeV]

b-tagging used starts at 20 GeV







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- Significant
 Improvement
 w.r.t. default
 selection
- m(χ⁰₁) excluded up to 400 GeV in t
 to 4-body

Can we go softer

- Currently b-tagging used only down to 20 GeV
- Vertex and track identification in principle would allow to go significantly lower
- E.g. Track pre-selection for b-tagging tuned to 20 > GeV jets
- P_T cut off mainly by commissioning and historical aspects
- B-tagging can be done significantly lower in P_T

Summary

- One way to extend the reach to new physics is to extend reconstructed objects phase-space and type
- Various (non-crazy, higgsinos) SM extension lead to soft objects
- Using soft objects reaches new physics regions that else are not covered.
- The CMS detector capabilities allow still further improvements/triggers: softer multiple leptons, soft and eventually displaced lepton jets, softer b-tagging, ...
- Extending the phase-space (extreme high or low P_T) is not only useful, but fun. It operates on the border of feasibility and is challenging.

BACKUP

EWKino searches interpretation

- Pure wino production cross-sections assumed
- Pure higgsino cross-section significantly smaller



Depending on scenario exclusions from small regions to 1 TeV

Targeted hadronic \tilde{t} searches

Two hadronic searches

Search variables (SUS-16-029):

- Reject M_T (I-like,MET) < 100 GeV
- Top/W tagging (within 0.8 cone jets in R)
- Tagging start at p_T 400 (200) GeV for top (W)
- 4 categories [0,0],[0,1≥],[1≥,0], and [1≥,1≥] for [W,t]]tag
- Further binned in N_{btag}, N_{jet}, MET, M_T(b₁₂,MET)

Search variables (SUS-16-029):

- Reject M_T (I-like, MET) < 100 GeV
- Top tagging (1.5 cone in R)
- Tagging uses from ak4 jets
- Tagging binned from 1 to ≥ 3 top tags (i.e. gluino induced production)
- Further binned in N_{btag} , MET, and M_{T2} (tagged tops)

More focused in covering more decay modes and $\widetilde{\Delta}m(t,\chi^0_1)$ in t pair production More focused on top tagging and aiming at more t production mechanism