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## SEARCHES FOR ELECTROWEAK PRODUCTION OF SUSY AT CMS

## MOTIVATION

Most of the LHC SUSY searches focus on **strong production**, with larger cross section.

Current searches probe masses of squarks and gluinos up to 2 TeV.



Heavy squarks and gluinos may **favour models with direct EWK production of charginos, neutralinos and sleptons** with low hadronic activity associated, and these could be the only accessible SUSY production at the LHC.

Charginos and neutralinos will decay then to sleptons or W, Z, h bosons.

#### **ELECTROWEAK SUSY PRODUCTION @CMS**



#### MULTILEPTON (2LSS/3L) SEARCH

Events with 2 (same-sign), 3 or more leptons (up to  $2\tau_{had}$ ) with  $p_T > 20(25)$ , 10(15), 10 GeV.

b-jet veto to suppress ttbar and  $ME_T > 60/50$  GeV to suppress Z+jets, veto on the m<sub>31</sub> to suppress conversions. 0 or 1 ISR jet required only for SS.

Categorisation based on the **number of leptons and flavour:** 



 $nOSOF = number of OS different flavour pairs (ee, <math>\mu\mu$ , e $\mu$ )

#### **BACKGROUND ESTIMATION METHODS**

#### **Non-prompt leptons:**

Data-driven, tight-to-loose ratio.

Probability for a fake lepton (fake ratio) to pass the tight requirements (dedicated control sample)

Probability applied then into the sidebands of the signal region.

Validity is checked on MC.

#### Rare SM processes: estimated from MC

#### WZ:

estimated from MC, normalisation and shape uncertainties driven by control region (CR) in data.

#### **Conversions:**

estimated from MC and validated in data. Two contributions: external (e) and internal  $(e,\mu)$ 

Flips: (only for SS), estimated from MC and validated in data.





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## **3L CHANNEL RESULTS**

Events are further categorised in  $M_{\parallel}$ ,  $M_{T(2)}$ and  $ME_T$  to maximise sensitivity to different regions of the phase space.

No striking deviation from the SM prediction.

More results in the documentation, only showed a glimpse here.





#### **INTERPRETATION (I)**

Results are interpreted in several scenarios and different mass splittings.

**BEWARE**: Many assumptions are made to draw these exclusion limits. (i.e. branching ratio to leptons is 100%.)



 $\widetilde{\chi}_2^0$ 

m360 0.5 t (main m30)

CL upper limit on cross section [pb]

95%

CMS Preliminary

 $pp \rightarrow \widetilde{\chi}^{\pm}_{,i} \widetilde{\chi}^{0}_{,i} \rightarrow \widetilde{W} \widetilde{I}$ 

 $= Observed \pm 1 \sigma_{theory}$ 

Expected ± 1  $\sigma_{\text{experiment}}$ 

500

 $BR(\tilde{\chi}_{2}^{0} \rightarrow \tilde{I})=0.5, m_{e}=0.05m_{z^{1}}+0.95m_{z^{0}}$ 

 $m_{\widetilde{\chi}_1^0} \, [\text{GeV}]$ 

800

600

400

200

35.9 fb<sup>-1</sup> (13 TeV)

1000

NLO-NLL excl.

## **OS DILEPTON SEARCH**

Search optimised for models with on-shell Z boson. We require two opposite-sign leptons compatible with the Z boson mass.

**Background estimation:** DY from gamma+jets control region: emulation of  $M_{T2}$  variable. ttbar predicted from opposite-flavor control region

**Search strategy:** defined by applying tighter cuts on  $M_{T2}$  and  $ME_T$  and the angular distance between the  $ME_T$  and jet to suppress background from ttbar and fake  $ME_T$ .



## **SOFT OPPOSITE SIGN DILEPTON ANALY**



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#### Soft dilepton

- Target compressed SUSY spectra with Z\* decaying to a pair of soft leptons: experimentally challenging signature!
- Lepton acceptance down to 3.5 (5) GeV for μ (e), with dedicated ID strategy
- MET  $\geq$  125 GeV ( $\mu\mu$ ) thanks to **dedicated trigge**



MET (GeV) μμ ee μμ μμ μμ μμ ee ee ee ee μμ 250 ee μμ μμ μμ μμ ee ee ee ee μμ 200 μμ μμ μμ μμ 125 25 th 10 20 30 50 M<sub>II</sub> (GeV) 4

## Backgrounds:

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Nonprompt: data-driven (Tight-to-loose method)

Others from MC whenever is possible.

#### **INTERPRETATIONS**

#### Selection is **optimised for EWKino signatures**. Signal regions are defined by binning in the invariant mass of the dilepton pair.

This analysis allows to probe a much more compressed region of the phase space, complimentary to other searches.





## PHOTON+MET SEARCH

One hard photon ( $p_T > 180$  GeV), transverse mass  $M_T > 300$  and missing energy  $ME_T > 300$  to target chargino-neutralino production decaying to  $W\gamma$ 

Also sensitive to other models.

**Background:** dominant background is SM V-boson production with ISR photons, estimation from Monte Carlo simulation, normalized in control region (low M<sub>T</sub> and MET)

**Search strategy:** binning in  $S_T$  = scalar sum of ME<sub>T</sub> and photon  $p_T$ 



#### **CHARGINO-NEUTRALINO PRODUCTION TO WH.**

Targeting H decaying to bb. Select events with one lepton, 2 b-jets and  $ME_T > 100$  GeV.  $M_T$  and  $M_{CT} > 150$  GeV to kill background semi-leptonic ttbar

**Signal region** is defined by asking the M<sub>bb</sub> to be compatible with the higgs mass. We then look for a resonance in the m<sub>bb</sub> spectrum.

**Background** are modelled using MC simulation. Dedicated control regions are defined to assess the modelling of the most relevant backgrounds (dileptonic ttbar and W+jets):

- 1. M<sub>bb</sub> modelled checked in a dilepton control region.
- 2.  $ME_T$ ,  $M_T$  and  $M_{CT}$  are in an orthogonal sample built by inverting the  $M_{bb}$  requirement.
- 3. A b-jet veto control region is used to assess the modelling of the W+jets backgrounds.



## 4B'S + MET

Searching for GMSB HH-like model with  $H \rightarrow bb$ , significant ME<sub>T</sub> and 4jets.

**Strategy:** reconstruct two H→bb candidates from 4 jets with highest b-tag score (improved b-tagging algorithm using deep neural network - 0.1% mis-tag rate)

select the pair of H candidates that minimises  $\pmb{\Delta} m_{H}$  =  $m_{H1}\text{-}m_{H2}$ 

use <m> for signal extraction (uncorrelated with number of b-tags) in bins of ME<sub>T</sub>.

**Background**: dominant process is semi-leptonic ttbar and invisible DY+jets.

data-driven ABCD method: use shape in 2b control region to predict shape in 3b and 4b regions

Exclusion **between 230 and 770 GeV** in a GMSB model



## **SUMMARY**

A ver rich and complex strategy for **Searches for EWK production of SUSY using 36 /fb at 13 TeV**, many final states allow to cover different regions of the phase space and overcome the low cross-sections.

Extended 8 TeV and previous 13 TeV searches: improved search strategy, increased sensitivity almost everywhere surpassing previous results.

We probe masses up to 1.1 TeV (light sleptons), depending on the assumption of the model.



# BACK-UP

#### BACKGROUND ESTIMATION METHODS

#### dileptonic ttbar:

Shape from MC. Normalised in dedicated data control region. Extrapolation to SR also from MC.

#### **Drell-Yan:**

Shape from simulation, Normalised in data control region. MC for extrapolation to SR.

**VV**: from MC, validated in data

#### Non-prompt:

from data, using tight-to-loose method.

Rare SM processes: from MC.

