

Detecting metastable staus and gravitinos at the ILC

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Gravitino in supersymmetry

Gravitino mass set by SUSY breaking scale F of mediating interaction

$$m_{3/2} = F/\sqrt{3} \cdot M_P \quad \text{reduced Planck scale } M_P = 2.4 \cdot 10^{18} \text{ GeV}$$

in general free parameter depending on scenario

Typical SUSY scenarios

gauge mediation, gaugino mediation, SUGRA $m_{3/2} \sim \text{eV} \dots \text{TeV}$

most interesting: gravitino LSP, stau NLSP $m_{3/2} = O(10-100 \text{ GeV})$

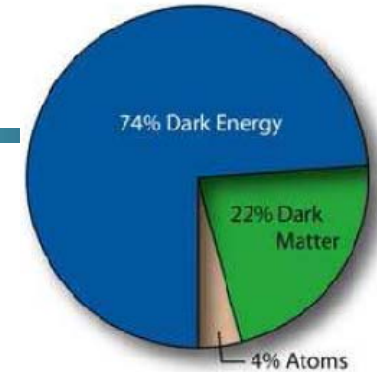
Dominant decay $\tilde{\tau} \rightarrow \tau \tilde{G}$ gravitational coupling, lifetime sec - years

$$\Gamma_{\tilde{\tau} \rightarrow \tau \tilde{G}} = \frac{1}{48\pi M_P^2} \frac{m_{\tilde{\tau}}^5}{m_{\tilde{G}}^2} \left[1 - \frac{m_{\tilde{G}}^2}{m_{\tilde{\tau}}^2} \right]^4$$

Observables $m_{\tilde{\tau}}, t_{\tilde{\tau}}, m_{\tilde{G}}, J_{\tilde{G}}$

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Gravitino dark matter



Cold dark matter in Universe $\Omega_{\text{DM}} \approx 22\%$

$$\Omega_{\text{DM}} h^2 = 0.105 \pm 0.008 \quad \text{WMAP}$$

Formation

freeze out of thermal equilibrium negligible

thermal production after reheating (inflation) $g\tilde{g} \rightarrow g\tilde{G}, q\tilde{g} \rightarrow q\tilde{G} \dots$

late decays of NLSP = WIMP

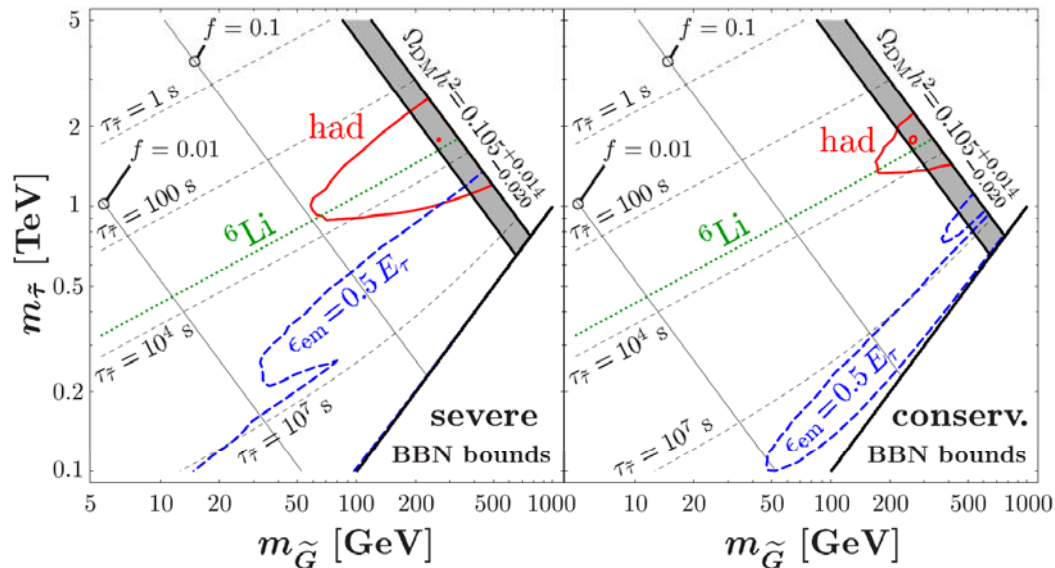
$$\tilde{\tau}_1 \rightarrow \tau\tilde{G}$$

Cosmological constraint

BBN ($t \sim 1\text{s}$) should not be destroyed during reheating or by NLSP decays

stau bound states enhance Nucleon, Li production

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GDM scenarios & spectra

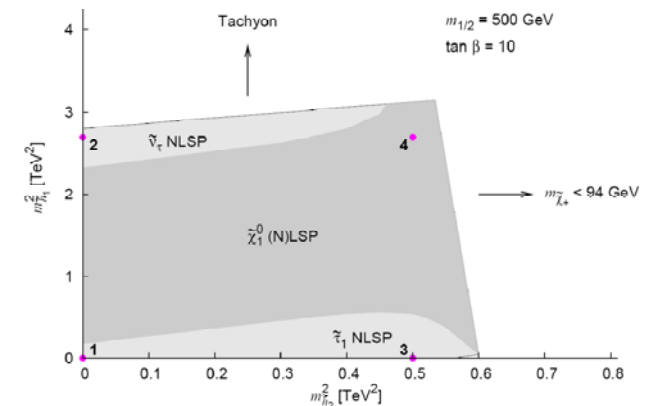
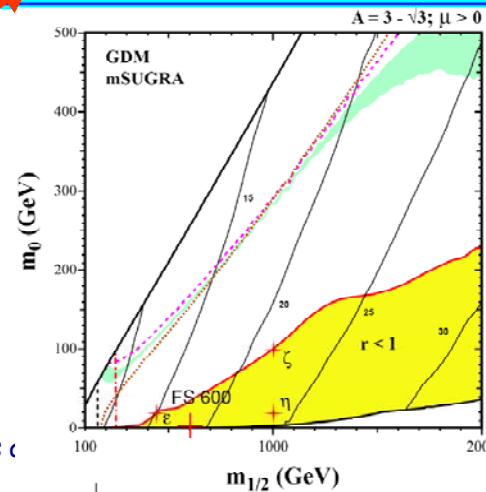
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$\tilde{\ell}, \tilde{\chi}, \tilde{G}$	SPS 7	FS 600	GDM ϵ	GDM ζ	GDM η	$\tilde{\chi}$ MSB P1	$\tilde{\chi}$ MSB P3
$\tilde{\tau}_1$	123.4	219.3	157.6	340.2	322.1	185.2	102.5
$\tilde{\tau}_2$	264.9	406.5	307.2	659.2	652.2	341.5	356.9
$\tilde{\nu}_\tau$	249.6	396.4	290.9	649.5	641.5	327.7	346.9
\tilde{e}_R	130.9	227.2	175.1	381.4	368.5	192.9	109.5
\tilde{e}_L	262.8	405.6	303.0	662.7	655.3	340.1	357.4
$\tilde{\nu}_e$	250.1	397.6	292.8	658.1	650.7	328.0	247.4
$\tilde{\chi}_1^0$	163.7	243.0	179.4	426.5	426.5	203.6	189.2
$\tilde{\chi}_2^0$	277.9	469.6	338.2	801.9	801.5	385.5	263.8
$\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$	275.5	469.9	338.0	801.9	801.4	388.2	251.5
\tilde{G}	0.1	50	20	100	20	50	25

details of analysis

- 1 GMSB, Snowmass 02
- 2 mSUGRA, J Feng, B Smith 04
- 3 – 5 mSUGRA, A De Roeck et al 05
- 6, 7 $\tilde{\chi}$ MSB, W Buchmüller et al 05

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Detecting staus and gravitinos



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Detecting staus & gravitinos

Identify & record stopping stau \rightarrow stau mass

$$dE/dx \sim 1/\beta^2 \text{ in TPC}$$

record location & time stamp

Wait until decay \rightarrow stau lifetime

$$\tilde{\tau} \rightarrow \tau \tilde{G} \quad \text{huge energy release}$$

Measure τ recoil spectra \rightarrow gravitino mass

$$E_\tau = (m_{\tilde{\tau}}^2 - m_{\tilde{G}}^2) / 2 m_{\tilde{\tau}}$$

Rare radiative decays \rightarrow gravitino spin

$$\gamma\text{-}\tau \text{ correlations in } \tilde{\tau} \rightarrow \tau \gamma \tilde{G}$$

Momentum acceptance for stopping particles

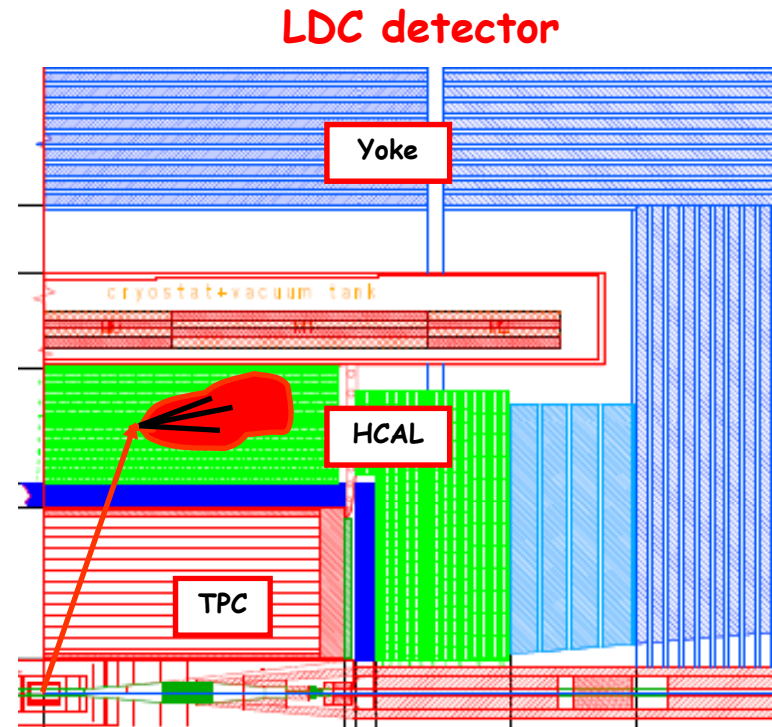
$$\beta\gamma = p/m \leq 0.5$$

$m_{\tilde{\tau}}$	$\beta\gamma$ (HCAL)	$\beta\gamma$ (Yoke)
125 GeV	0.41 – 0.46	0.52 – 0.59
250 GeV	0.33 – 0.37	0.42 – 0.48
375 GeV	0.29 – 0.33	0.37 – 0.41

LHC detectors not appropriate

additional absorber, calorimeter required

Gravitino not detectable in astrophysical expts



mSUGRA scenario GDM ϵ

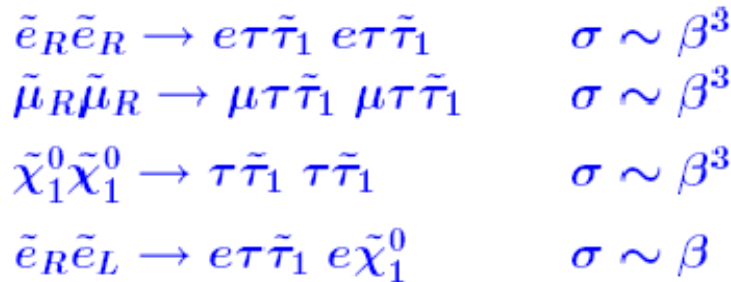
$m_0 = 20 \text{ GeV}$ $\tan \beta = 15$
 $M_{1/2} = 440 \text{ GeV}$ $\text{sign } \mu +$
 $A_0 = 25 \text{ GeV}$

- Case study** $L=100 \text{ fb}^{-1} @ 500 \text{ GeV}$
 $\sigma_{\text{SUSY}}=300 \text{ fb}$ (< 1 year data taking)
 $m_{\tilde{\tau}} = 157.6 \text{ GeV}$, $m_{\tilde{G}} = 20 \text{ GeV}$, $t_{\tilde{\tau}} = 2.6 \cdot 10^6 \text{ s}$

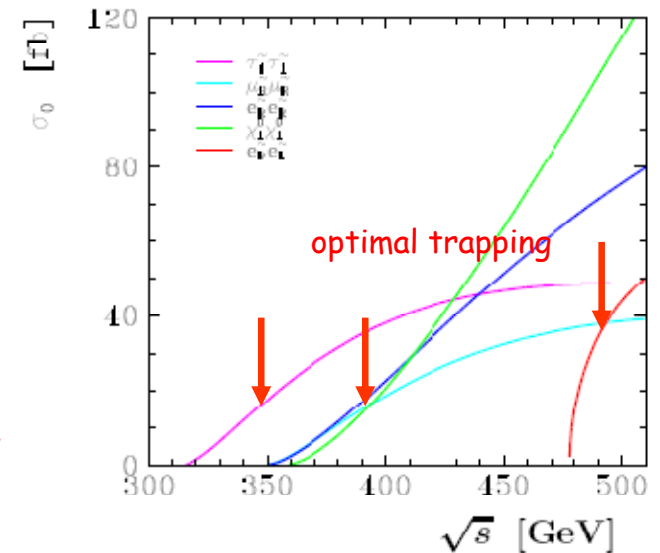
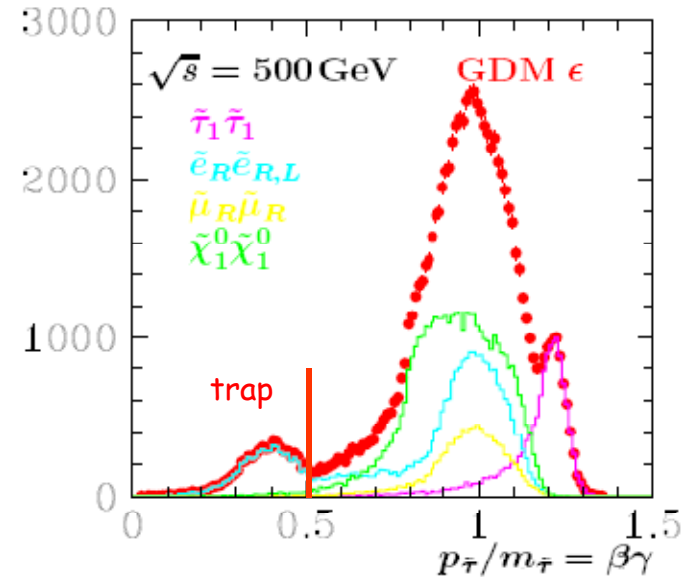
- Clean signature** $\sum \vec{p} \simeq 0$ and $\sum E < \sqrt{s}$
completely reconstructed SUSY evts,
no SM bkg

- Prolific stau production**
pairs & cascade decays

HCAL	4100
Yoke	1800



500 GeV close to optimal energy for stau trapping



mSUGRA scenario GDM ε

- **Stau mass measurement**

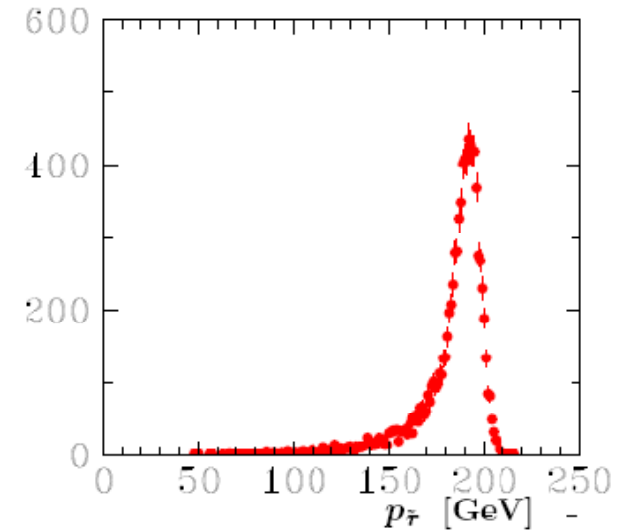
pair production



$$m^2 = E_b^2 - p^2$$

$$p_{\tilde{\tau}} = 192.4 \pm 0.2 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Rightarrow m_{\tilde{\tau}} = 157.6 \pm 0.2 \text{ GeV}$$



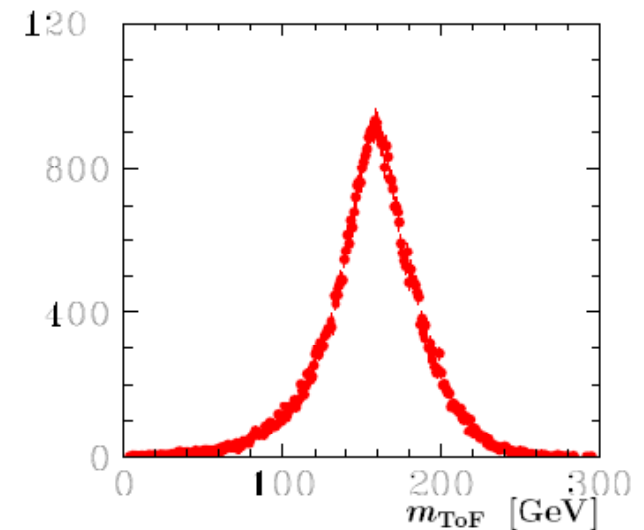
- **Time of flight**

time resolution at calorimeter $\delta t = 1 \text{ ns}$

all candidates, large sample from cascades

$$m^2 = (1/\beta^2 - 1) \cdot p^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta m_{\text{ToF}} = 0.15 \text{ GeV}$$



mSUGRA scenario GDM ϵ

- **Stau lifetime measurement**

trigger isolated τ decay in detector

any time - not correlated to beam collision

origin - associate to list of stopped staus

e, μ, h in HCAL $E > 10$ GeV

μ, h in yoke $E > 10$ GeV

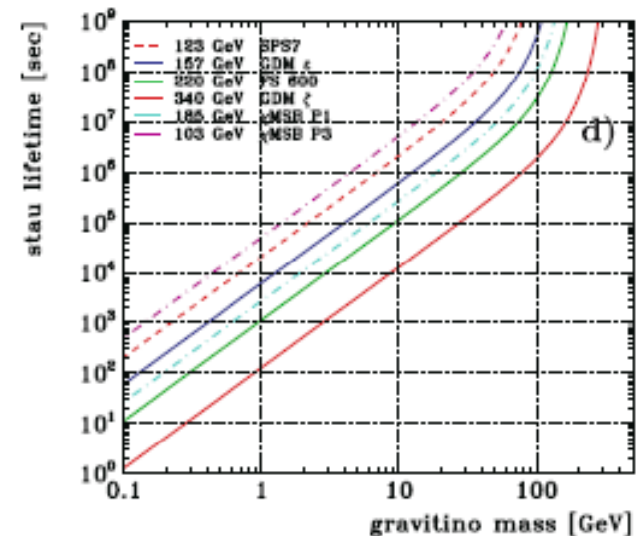
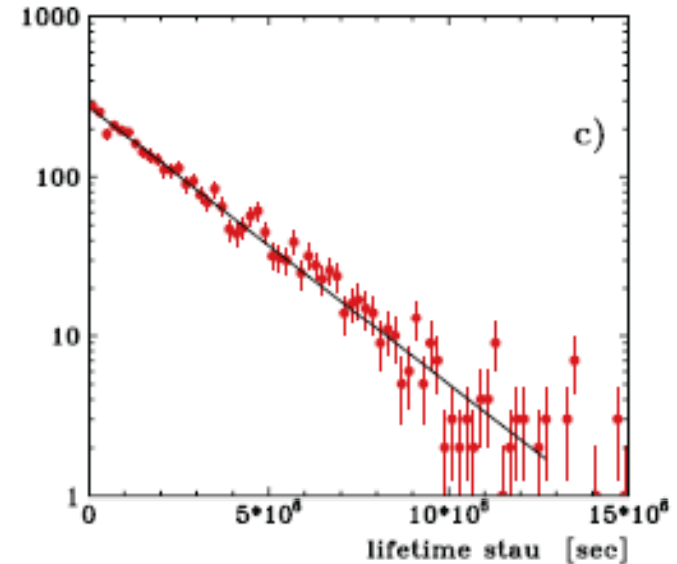
$$t_{\tilde{\tau}} = (2.59 \pm 0.05) \cdot 10^6 \text{ s}$$

- **Gravitino mass from decay rate**

assuming gravitational coupling

$$\Gamma_{\tilde{\tau}} = t_{\tilde{\tau}}^{-1} = \frac{1}{48\pi M_P^2} \frac{m_{\tilde{\tau}}^5}{m_{\tilde{G}}^2} \left[1 - \frac{m_{\tilde{G}}^2}{m_{\tilde{\tau}}^2} \right]^4$$

$$m_{\tilde{G}} = 20.0 \pm 0.2 \text{ GeV}$$



mSUGRA scenario GDM ε

- Gravitino mass measurement

τ decay spectra $\tau \rightarrow \rho\nu$ & $3\pi\nu$

$$E_{\tau \rightarrow h\nu}^{\max} = (m_{\tilde{\tau}}^2 - m_{\tilde{G}}^2) / 2 m_{\tilde{\tau}}$$

feasible if $m_{\text{gravitino}} > \sim 0.1 m_{\text{stau}}$

$$m_{\tilde{G}} = 20 \pm 4 \text{ GeV}$$

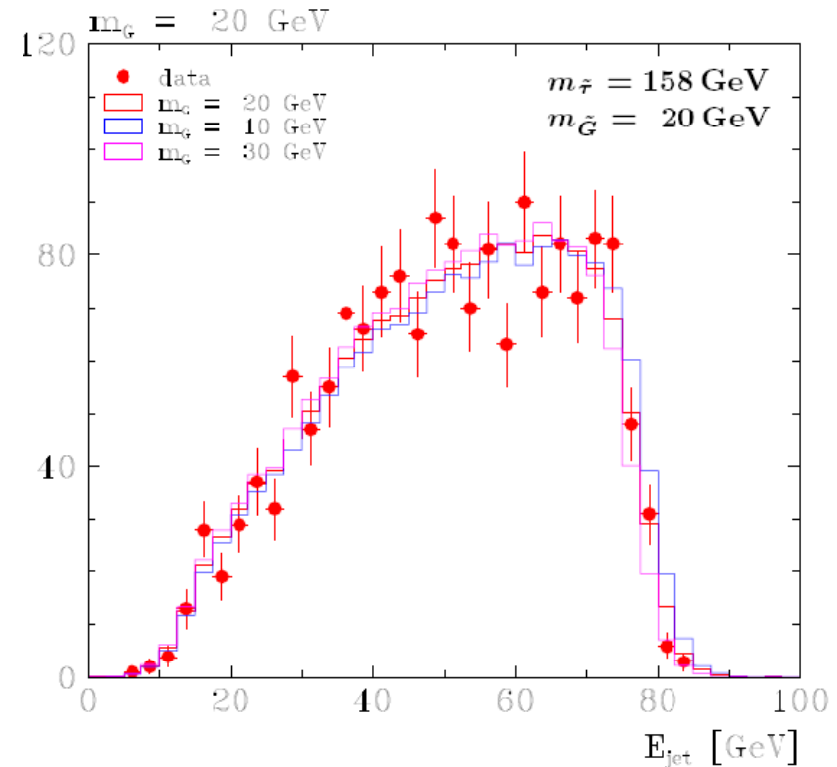
Planck scale using $t_{\tilde{\tau}}$, $m_{\tilde{\tau}}$ and $m_{\tilde{G}}$

$$M_P^2 = \frac{t_{\tilde{\tau}}}{48\pi} \frac{m_{\tilde{\tau}}^5}{m_{\tilde{G}}^2} \left[1 - \frac{m_{\tilde{G}}^2}{m_{\tilde{\tau}}^2} \right]^4$$

$$M_P = (2.4 \pm 0.5) \cdot 10^{18} \text{ GeV}$$

SUSY breaking scale $F \sim m_{\tilde{G}} M_P$

$$F = (8.3 \pm 0.1) \cdot 10^{19} \text{ GeV}^2$$



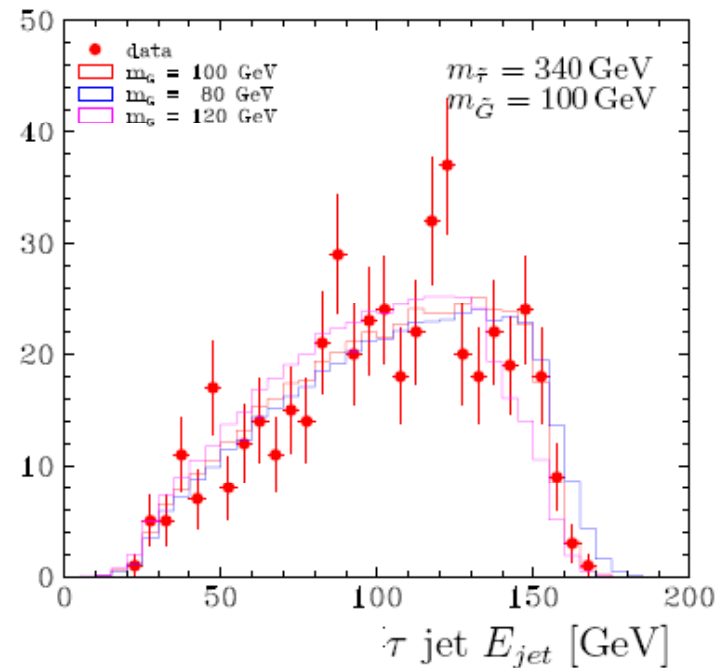
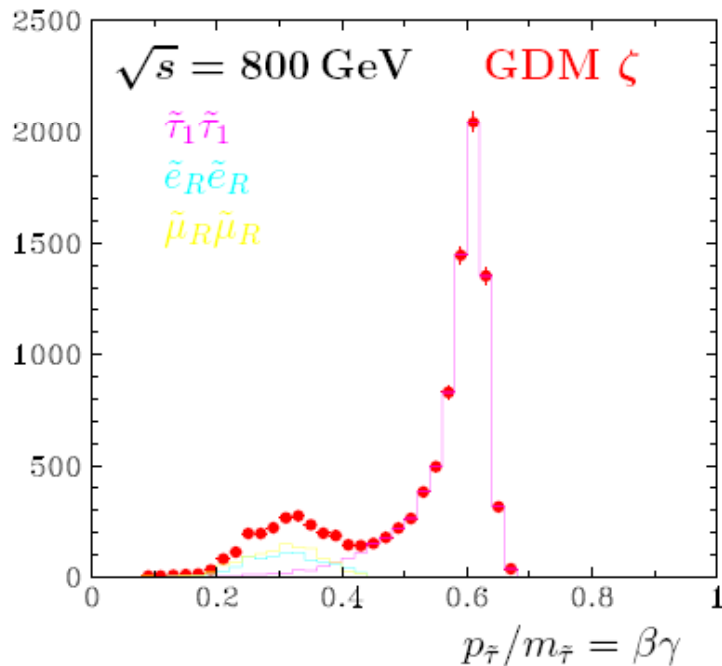
Test of Supergravity
gravitino = superpartner of graviton

mSUGRA scenario GDM ζ

- Case study $L = 1000 \text{ fb}^{-1} @ 800 \text{ GeV}$, $\sigma_{\text{SUSY}} = 5 \text{ fb}$

$$m_{\tilde{\tau}} = 340.2 \text{ GeV}, m_{\tilde{G}} = 100 \text{ GeV}, t_{\tilde{\tau}} = 1.8 \cdot 10^6 \text{ s}$$

HCAL	1350
Yoke	770

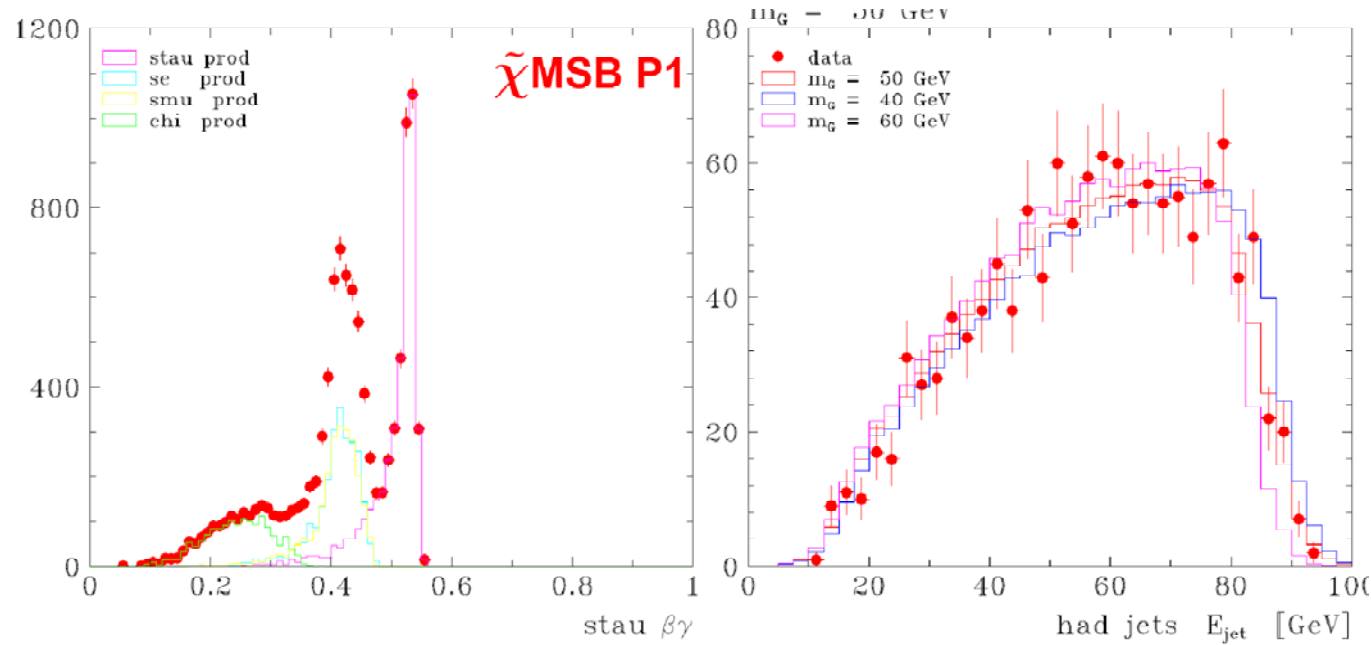


$m_{\tilde{\tau}} [\text{GeV}]$	$t_{\tilde{\tau}} [\text{s}]$	$m_{\tilde{G}}(E_{\tau})$
340.2 ± 0.2	$(1.8 \pm 0.1) 10^6$	100 ± 10

Gaugino mediation scenario P1

- **Case study** $L = 200 \text{ fb}^{-1} @ 420 \text{ GeV}$, $\sigma_{\text{SUSY}} = 27 \text{ fb}$
 $m_{\tilde{\tau}} = 185.2 \text{ GeV}$, $m_{\tilde{G}} = 50 \text{ GeV}$, $t_{\tilde{\tau}} = 9.1 \cdot 10^6 \text{ s}$

HCAL	3700
Yoke	4100



$m_{\tilde{\tau}}$ [GeV]	$t_{\tilde{\tau}}$ [s]	$m_{\tilde{G}}(E_{\tau})$
185.2 ± 0.1	$(9.1 \pm 0.2) \cdot 10^6$	50 ± 3

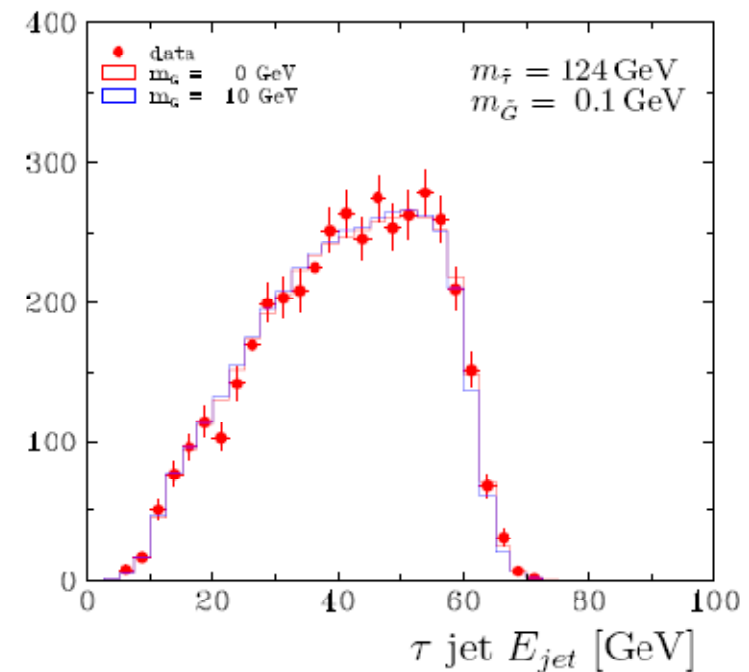
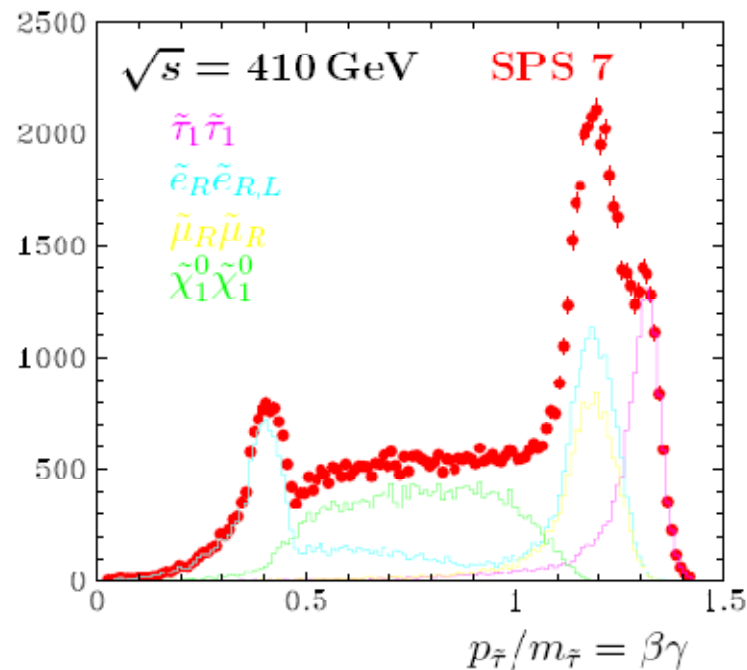
Gauge mediation scenario SPS 7

- Case study $L = 1.00 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ @ 410 GeV , $\sigma_{\text{SUSY}} = 500 \text{ fb}$

$$m_{\tilde{\tau}} = 124.3 \text{ GeV}, m_{\tilde{G}} = 0.1 \text{ GeV}, t_{\tilde{\tau}} = 210 \text{ s}$$

HCAL 10000

Yoke 4900



$m_{\tilde{\tau}} [\text{GeV}]$	$t_{\tilde{\tau}} [\text{s}]$	$m_{\tilde{G}}(E_{\tau})$
124.3 ± 0.1	209.3 ± 2.4	< 9

Gravitino - or something else?

If direct mass measurement is not feasible, e.g. too light, the nature of the decay particle remains undetermined, the $t_{\tilde{\tau}} - m_{\tilde{G}}$ relation may not be applicable

Alternative: axino $\tilde{\tau} \rightarrow \tau \tilde{a}$ lifetime not related to axino mass

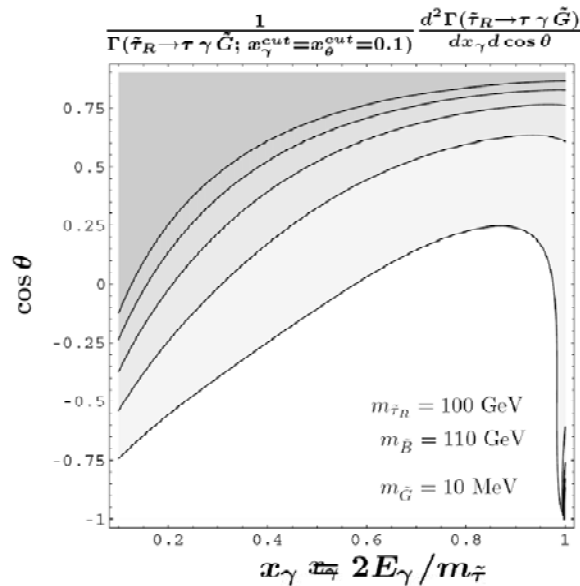
Discrimination via radiative decay

$$\tilde{\tau} \rightarrow \tau \gamma \tilde{a} / \tilde{G} \quad \mathcal{B} \sim \mathcal{O}(0.01), \quad \mathcal{B}_{\tilde{a}} > \mathcal{B}_{\tilde{G}}$$

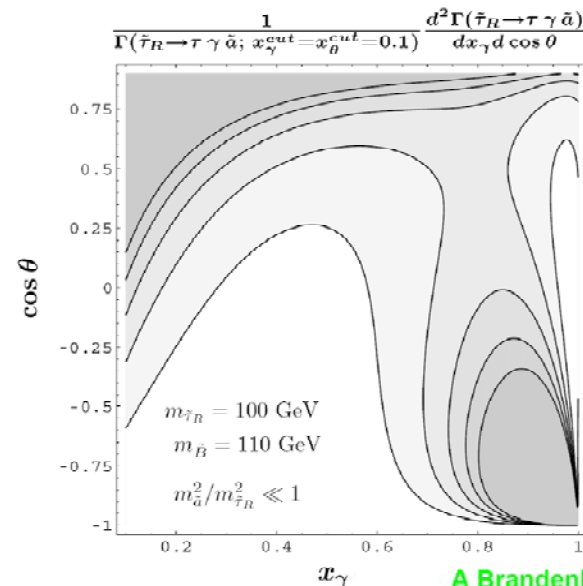
$\tau - \gamma$ correlations sensitive to spin

LSP \tilde{G} : collinear, soft γ 's LSP \tilde{a} : collinear soft and back-to-back energetic γ 's

Gravitino LSP Scenario



Axino LSP Scenario



A Brandenburg et al, hep-ph/0501267

GDM scenario results

	$m_{\tilde{\tau}}$ [GeV]	$t_{\tilde{\tau}}$ [s]	$m_{\tilde{G}}(\Gamma_{\tilde{\tau}})$	$m_{\tilde{G}}(E_{\tau})$	\sqrt{s} [GeV]	\mathcal{L} [fb ⁻¹]
SPS 7	124.3 ± 0.1	209.3 ± 2.4	0.1 ± 0.001	< 9	410	100
FS 600	219.3 ± 0.2	$(3.6 \pm 0.1) 10^6$	50 ± 0.7	50 ± 9	500	250
GDM ϵ	157.6 ± 0.2	$(2.6 \pm 0.05) 10^6$	20 ± 0.2	20 ± 4	500	100
GDM ζ	340.2 ± 0.2	$(1.8 \pm 0.06) 10^6$	100 ± 2	100 ± 10	800	1000
GDM η	322.1 ± 0.2	$(6.9 \pm 0.3) 10^4$	20 ± 0.4	20 ± 25	800	1000
$\tilde{\chi}_{\text{MSB P1}}$	185.2 ± 0.1	$(9.1 \pm 0.2) 10^6$	50 ± 0.6	50 ± 3	420	200
$\tilde{\chi}_{\text{MSB P3}}$	102.5 ± 0.2	$(4.2 \pm 0.1) 10^7$	25 ± 0.3	25 ± 1.5	500	100

Large statistics samples with moderate integrated luminosity and proper choice of cm energy (and beam polarisations)

stau mass $O(0.1 \%)$

stau lifetime $O(1 \%)$

gravitino mass $O(10 \%)$ provided $m_{\text{Grav}} > 0.1 m_{\text{stau}}$

→ coupling: Supergavity if consistent with Planck, Newton constant
SUSY breaking scale

Experimental challenges

- **ILC timing structure**

5 bunchtrains per second, each 1 ms long

- **LDC detector**

readout of all ~2600 bunches, software trigger guarantees recording of slow particles

pulsed operation of calorimeters foreseen (electronic heat consumption)

HV, readout structure: 2 ms sensitive - 198 ms idle - 2 ms sensitive ...

designed for usual beam-correlated physics scenarios, not for late decays

- **Concept has to be revised to be prepared for long-lived particles !!!**

Yoke - no problem, pulsed mode doesn't seem necessary

→ lifetime measurement feasible, at expense of lower statistics

HCAL - R&D needed to increase duty cycle of readout electronics

Conclusions

- A heavy gravitino is an interesting dark matter candidate, no chance for direct detection in astrophysical experiments
- If kinematically accessible, a gravitino should be observable at future colliders via decays of metastable sleptons

$$\tilde{\tau}_1 \rightarrow \tau \tilde{G} \quad (\text{and similar } \tilde{e}, \tilde{\mu})$$

- The ILC and its proposed detectors offer excellent possibilities to determine the gravitino properties
mass, coupling, spin
with high precision, thus providing a unique test of supergravity
 - **ILC environment superior to LHC**