

Exotic Signatures of
New Physics at The LHC

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Exotic

Intriguingly Unusual or Excitingly Strange

- Stable and Late decaying Particles

↳ within context of SUSY

Shouldn't necessarily think of Exotic as Unlikely

Often Assume New Particles

→ Rapid Decay over μ -scopic Distance

• Approximately Conserved Quantum #

→ Slow Decay over macroscopic Distance

(Accidental) Global Sym-
viol. by Non-Renorm Op.

cf. $U(1)_B$, $U(1)_L$

In SUSY

1) R-parity viol. only at Non-Renorm Level

$$\frac{1}{M} \int d^4\theta \, Q_L \bar{D} = \frac{1}{M} \psi_\phi \not{\partial} \psi_\phi \phi_L$$

$$\Gamma(\phi_L \rightarrow \psi_\phi \psi_\phi) \sim \frac{m_\phi^2 m_\phi}{M^2}$$

2) R-parity: Low SUSY Scale

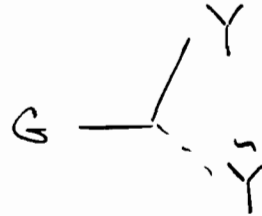
Lightest SM Superpartner - Metastable

Goldstino:

- Spontaneously Broken Global Sym \Rightarrow Goldstone

$$\delta G^\alpha = F \xi^\alpha$$

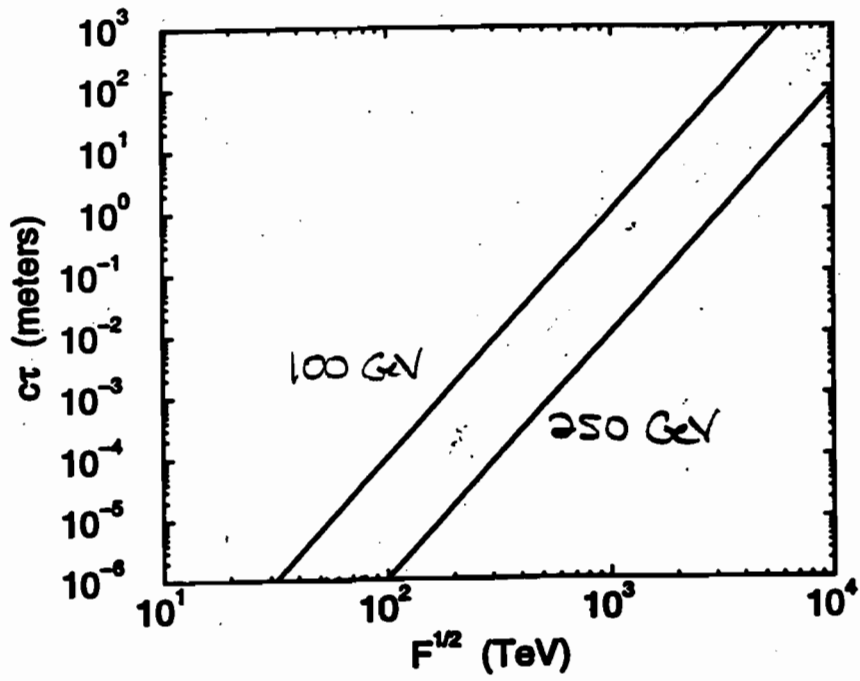
$$\frac{1}{F} \partial_\mu G_\alpha \psi^{\mu\alpha}$$



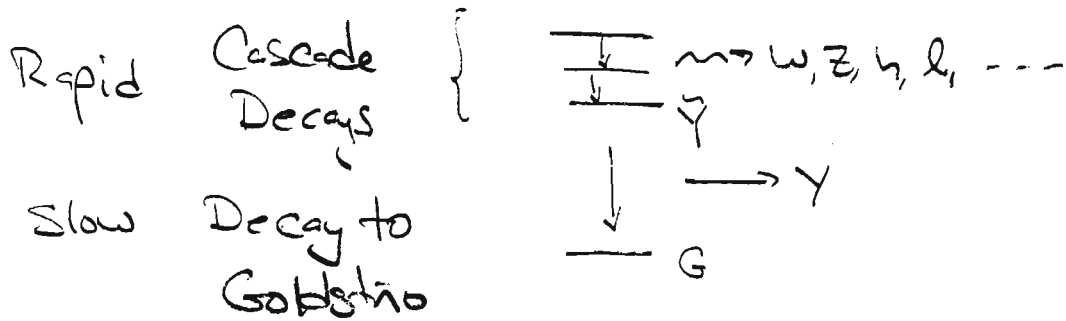
- Spontaneously Broken Local Sym \Rightarrow Gauge Particle Eats Goldstone

$$\psi^{\mu\alpha} \xrightarrow{F} \partial^\mu G^\alpha$$

$$m_{3/2} = \frac{F}{\sqrt{3} M_p} \sim 2 \text{ eV} \left(\frac{\sqrt{F}}{400 \text{ TeV}} \right)^2$$



- For $\sqrt{F} \gg m_{\chi, \phi}$ with R-parity Conserved



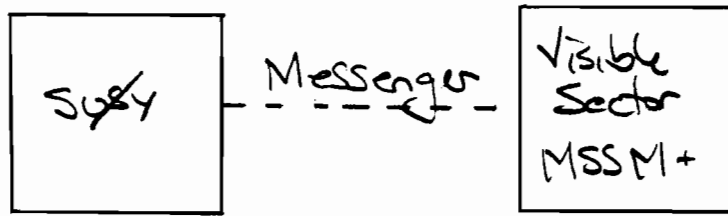
$\tilde{\gamma}$: Lightest SM Superpartner
 NLSP (important in determining signatures)

G: LSP

- For $\sqrt{F} = 10^{11}$ GeV $m_{3/2} = 100$ GeV

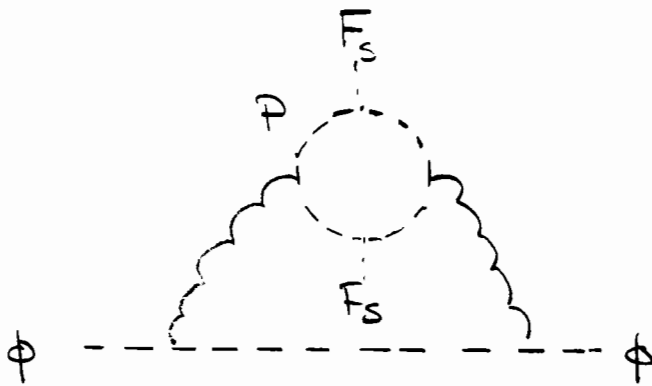
↳ often Assumed: And That LSP χ_1^0
 (DM Candidate)

- For $\sqrt{F} \leq 10^{11}$ GeV Spectrum / NLSP

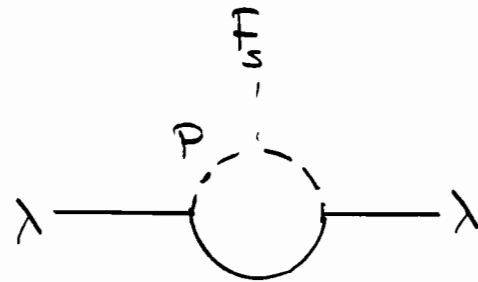


- Gauge Mediation:

$$W = \lambda S P \bar{P}$$



$$m_\phi^2 \sim N \left(\frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \right)^2 \frac{|F_s|^2}{M^2}$$



$$M_\lambda \sim N \left(\frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \right) \frac{F_s}{M}$$

CT (NLSP):

Long Lived

$c\tau \gg$ Detector

Macroscopic

$c\tau \sim$ Detector

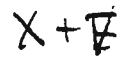
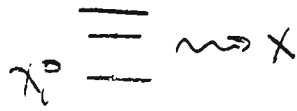
Prompt

$c\tau \ll$ Detector

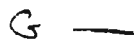
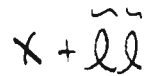
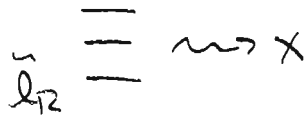
Note: Superpartners Produced in Pairs
(R-parity Conserved)
(H₁ body Broken)

Long Liveds

χ^0 :



$\tilde{\chi}^{\pm}$:



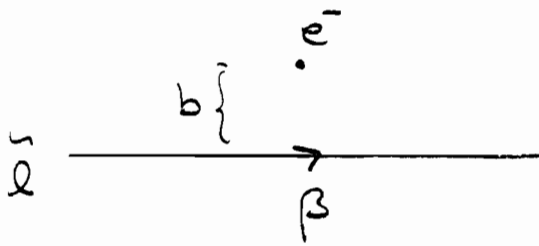
Charged Particles
(No \bar{X}_T)

Non-Relativistic $\beta\gamma \leq 1$

1) Ionization

2) Time of Flight

- dE/dx Ionization $\beta\gamma \leq 1$



$$F \parallel \propto \frac{1}{r^2}$$

$$\Delta p_{\perp} = \int F dt$$

$$= \int \frac{\alpha}{r^2} \frac{b}{r} \frac{dx}{\beta}$$

$$= \frac{2\alpha}{\beta b} \quad \leftarrow \text{Note}$$

$$\Delta E = \frac{\Delta p_{\perp}^2}{2m_e}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dE}{dx} \sim \frac{1}{\beta^2}$$

Bethe-Block

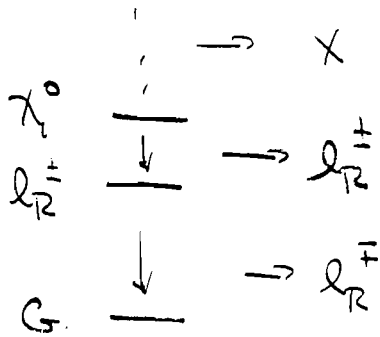
$\beta\gamma \leq 1$: Highly Ionizing Track.
(HIT)

- Time of Flight.

$$\beta\gamma < 1 \quad \dots$$

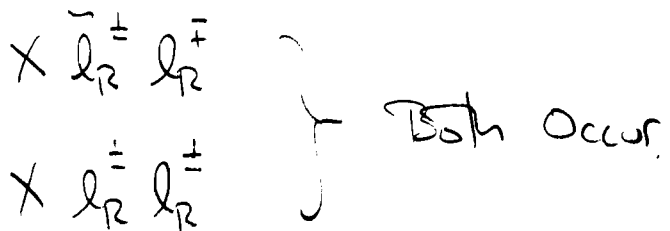
(too slow. Not Recorded)

Cascade Decays to \bar{l}_R



χ^0 Majorana

Super Partners Produced in Pairs:



Like Sign HITS

Slepton Masses:

$$M_{\tilde{e}}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} m_{e_L}^2 + m_e^2 & m_e(A - \mu \tan\beta) \\ m_e(A - \mu \tan\beta) & M_{e_R}^2 + m_e^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

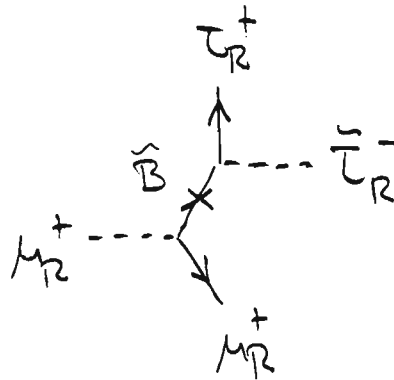
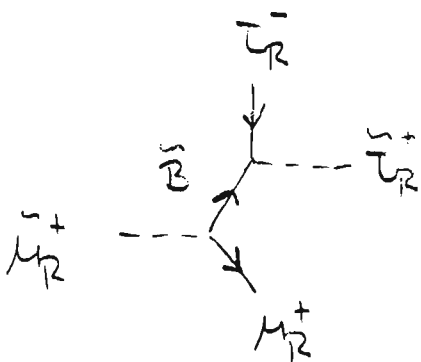
LR Mixing - Level Repulsion $\Delta m_{\tilde{e}}^2 = \frac{m_e^2 (\mu - A \tan\beta)^2}{2m_{\tilde{e}} (m_{e_L}^2 - m_{e_R}^2)}$

If Messenger Sector Flavor Blind

$$m_{\tilde{e}_i}^2(M) = \text{Equal}$$

Then $m_{\tilde{e}} > m_{\tilde{\mu}} > m_{\tilde{\tau}}$

- Splittings can be $> m_e$ if $\tan\beta$ large



$$\frac{iM_B}{P^2 - m_B^2}$$

$$\frac{i\phi}{P^2 - m_B^2}$$

$$P(\tilde{\mu}_R^\pm \rightarrow \tilde{\tau}_R^\mp \tau_R^\pm) = \frac{m_B^2}{m_B^2 + M_{\tilde{\mu}}^2}$$

1) Another Source of $\bar{\tau}^{\pm}\tau^{\pm}$ Like-Sign HITS

$$2) \Gamma(\bar{\mu} \rightarrow \bar{\tau}\tau\mu) \sim \frac{g^2 \Delta m^3}{64\pi^2 m_B^2}$$

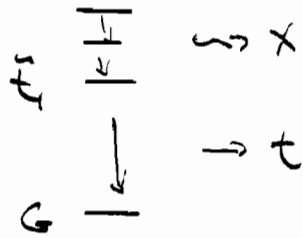
CU - Macroscopic
Possible

Charge-Changing Track (CC-HIT)



Might be Rejected
by track filter

• \bar{t}_s



Hadronizes: $\bar{t} \bar{q} = M$ Heavy Mesino (sbaryon)

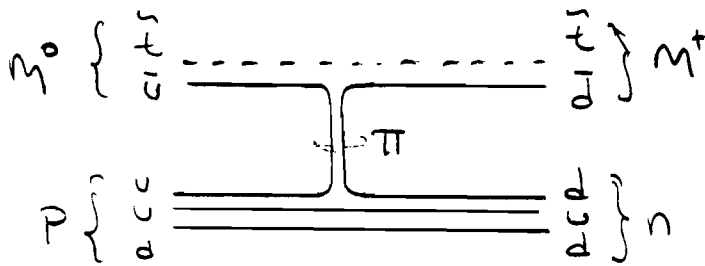
$\bar{q} = (\bar{u}, \bar{d})$ M doublet of SU(2) isospin.

$M^{0,+}$, $\bar{M}^{0,-}$

↳ charged or neutral!

Charge Exchange / Intermittent Tracks

(CE-HITS)



Exchange
isospin/charge
with Nuclear Matter

$$\sigma \sim 100 \text{ mb} \quad \lambda_I \sim 130 \frac{\text{gm}}{\text{cm}^2}$$

Inner Tracker Transparent.

ECAL 165 gm/cm² CMS

HCAL 655 gm/cm² "

- Can leave track in Inner Tracker
No Track in Muon System. / vice-versa.

Might not be
Recognized

- Strongly interacting fermion - Some
Spin couples $\bar{\mu} - \frac{g}{m}$

Stopping Heavy Charged Particles

$$\frac{dE}{dx} \sim \frac{1}{\beta^2}$$

Eventually Ranges Out

For 800 gm/cm^2 $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 100 \text{ GeV} \quad \beta\gamma \leq 0.4 \quad \text{Stops in HCAL} \\ 1 \text{ TeV} \quad \beta\gamma \leq 0.25 \quad \text{" " " "} \end{array} \right.$

\tilde{l}^- Captured on Nucleus $\left. \vphantom{\tilde{l}^-} \right\}$

\tilde{l}^+ Captures e^- $\left. \vphantom{\tilde{l}^+} \right\}$

If $\sigma \gg$ few m :

Decay After Capture : Out of Time with Event of origin.
(Length - 25 ns.)

1) If \tilde{l} decays During later Beam Crossing
Can Look like E_T

2) Could Also search for such Events
After machine off

Decay within Detector / Macroscopic

• $\tilde{l} \rightarrow l G$ HIT-MIT Kink



cf. LEP Search

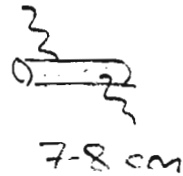
Might not be
Recognized - ET

• $\chi^0 \rightarrow (\gamma, Z, h) G$

i) $\chi^0 \rightarrow \gamma G$

Displaced γ -Vertex

Photon-Pointing



ii) $\chi^0 \rightarrow Z G$

Displaced Z-Vertex

$\hookrightarrow ee, \mu\mu$

Good pointing

cf. CDF Search

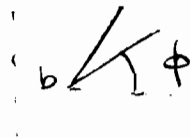
ΔR - too large - might not pass
Track trigger

iii) $\chi^0 \rightarrow h G$

Displaced h Vertex

$\hookrightarrow bb$

$$\sigma(b) = 500 \mu\text{m}$$



$$\cos \phi = \frac{|\vec{p}_b \cdot \vec{p}_G|}{|\vec{p}_b| |\vec{p}_G|}$$

b-background $\cos \phi \approx 0$

Signal ~ Uniform $\cos \phi$

(Large) Negative Impact Parameter

σ too large - No b-jet id

- Stable, Late Decaying Particles \rightarrow
Exotic Signatures

Susy Signatures: Include + Beyond
Standard \mathbb{E}_T

Many Signatures Require Specialized Analysis

- Homework: Think of other Exotic Signals which
Detectors May be Capable of Seeing
But Which Require Specialized Analysis

It would be a shame if Exotic Physics
were Buried in the Data But
No one knew to Look !!
