Intro to collider physics

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Before we start

- This is a huge subject.
 - Focus more on intuitive understanding, generic feature, less on specifics.
 - Only a (small) subset.
- Focus on methodology, rather than specific models.

Hopefully, this serves as the starting point of your further study.

Many good references, such as Tao Han, TASI lecture, hep-ph/0508097







gluon valence: u, d "sea": qbar, s sbar, c, cbar, b, bbar

binding energy ~ GeV

Most of the time



low energy fragments: $\rm E \sim GeV$

High energy collision rare



The Large Hadron Collider (LHC)



Luminosity $L \times K N^2 f / a$ f: revolution freq f~11.25 KHZ N: # of protons in a bunch. N~10" K: # of bunches K=2808 a: bean size Larea) A ~ TT (16 µm)² T: cross section. # events •

LHC Luminosity



$$|mb = 10^{-27} cm^2 = 2.56 (GeV)^{-2}$$

 $|0^{34} cm^{-2} s^{-1} \sim 100 Fb^{-1} / Yr$

Kinematics



Rapidity

Define rapidity

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z}$$
$$p^{\mu} = (E_T \cosh y, p_T \sin \phi, p_T \cos \phi, E_T \sinh y), \quad E_T = \sqrt{p_T^2 + m^2}$$

Under boost along z-direction

$$y' = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{E' + p'_z}{E' - p'_z} = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{(1 - \beta_0)(E + p_z)}{(1 + \beta_0)(E - p_z)} = y - y_0$$
$$\to \frac{d}{dy} = \frac{d}{dy'}$$

In the massless limit : pseudo-rapidity

$$y \to \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{1 + \cos \theta}{1 - \cos \theta} = \ln \cot \frac{\theta}{2} \equiv \eta$$

Coordinate System

$$\eta = -\ln\left[\cot\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\right]$$





Parton Distribution Function (PDF)



Partons can be gluon, or different flavors of quarks, labelled by a, b...

parton distribution function $f_a(x)$: probability of finding parton a with momentum fraction x

- $f_a(x)$ can not be computed.
- However, we can measure them using certain processes.
- They are universal! Can be used everywhere!

Prediction for hadron collisions



Factorization!

Intuitively, make sense:

short distance physics should not "know" about long distance physics.

In practice, very difficult to prove.

However, it is used anyway (otherwise we cannot calculate anything). And, it works very well.

Production.

- Schematics of production at hadron colliders.
 - Dominated by parton densities and thresholds (mass and cut).



A useful representation

$$P_1 = (E, 0, 0, E), P_2 = (E, 0, 0, -E)$$
 $p_1 = x_1 P_1, p_2 = x_2 P_2$

Define Parton center of mass rapidity: $Y e^Y = \sqrt{\frac{x_1}{x_2}}$

We can verify
$$\cosh Y = \frac{(x_1 + x_2)E}{\sqrt{\hat{s}}} \implies \text{boost of parton c.o.m frame}$$

Starting with
$$\frac{d^2\sigma(a,b\to\cdots)}{dx_1dx_2} = \sum_{a,b} f_a(x_1)f_b(x_2)\hat{\sigma}(a,b\to\cdots)$$

Using Jacobian:
$$\frac{\partial |\hat{s}, Y|}{\partial |x_1, x_2|} = \frac{\hat{s}}{x_1 x_2}$$

We obtain:

$$\frac{d^2\sigma(a,b\to\cdots)}{d\hat{s}\ dY} = \frac{1}{\hat{s}}\sum_{a,b} x_1 f_a(x_1) x_2 f_b(x_2) \ \hat{\sigma}(a,b\to\cdots)$$





Parton luminosity

 $= \int dx_1 \int dx_2 f(x_1) f_2(x_2) f$

define $\tau = \chi_1 \chi_2 \qquad \chi = \chi_1$ 5 = 7

Jacobian for variable change







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TeV, log scale





 $\texttt{PlotLegend} \rightarrow \{\texttt{"qq, 7TeV", "gg, 7TeV"}\}, \texttt{LegendPosition} \rightarrow \{\texttt{1.1, -0.4}\}, \texttt{Joined} \rightarrow \texttt{True}$





Rough estimates of discovery reach

$$\sigma \sim L_p \cdot \hat{\sigma} \sim \frac{1}{\tau^a} \hat{\sigma}$$

 L_p : parton luminosity, $\hat{\sigma}$: parton cross section

Production of new physics particle of mass M

Fast falling parton luminosity \Rightarrow

dominant contribution from parton cross section near threshold

$$\hat{s} \sim M^2 \to \tau \sim \frac{M^2}{S}$$
$$\hat{\sigma} \sim \frac{1}{M^2}$$

Number of new physics particle produced:

 $N = \sigma \cdot \mathcal{L}$ \mathcal{L} : luminosity

Discovery reach

 $E_2 > E_1$

Reach for new physics at these 2 colliders Collider I: M_1 . Collider 2: M_2 .

Assume the reach is obtained from the same number of signal events

$$\frac{1}{\tau_1^a} \frac{1}{M_1^2} \mathcal{L}_1 = \frac{1}{\tau_2^a} \frac{1}{M_2^2} \mathcal{L}_2 \qquad \text{used} \quad \hat{\sigma} \sim \frac{1}{M^2}$$

We have

$$\frac{M_2}{M_1} = \left(\frac{S_2}{S_1}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{S_1}{S_2}\frac{\mathcal{L}_2}{\mathcal{L}_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{2a+2}} \qquad \text{used} \quad \hat{s} \sim M^2 \to \tau \sim \frac{M^2}{S}$$



As data accumulates



Rapid gain initial 10s fb⁻¹, slow improvements afterwards. Reaching the "slow" phase after Moriond 2017

Phase space

• General phase space factor:

$$d\Pi_n = \Pi_f \left(\int \frac{d^3 p_f}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2E_f} \right) (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)} (p_a + p_b - \sum p_f)$$

• One additional final state particle

~ an additional factor of
$$\frac{1}{16\pi^2}$$

• For example

2-body

$$X = a_{\mu} + b_{\mu}.$$

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$$d = (2\pi)^{4} \delta^{(4)} (X_{\mu} - a_{\mu} - b_{\mu}) \frac{d^{2}a^{1}}{(2\pi)^{5} 2a_{0}} \frac{d^{2}b^{1}}{(2\pi)^{5} 2b_{0}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8\pi} \lambda^{V_{2}} (1, \frac{a^{2}}{X^{2}}, \frac{b^{2}}{X^{2}}) \frac{d\Omega}{4\pi} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{|\vec{P}a|}{X} \frac{d\Omega}{4\pi}$$

$$\lambda(x, y, z) = \chi^{2} + q^{2} + z^{2} - 2xy - 2yz - 2xz$$

$$A \quad source: \quad a^{2} = b^{2} = m^{2} \quad far \quad simplicity$$

$$\lambda^{V_{2}} = (1 - \frac{4m^{2}}{X^{2}})^{V_{2}}$$
Near threshold
$$\chi^{2} \doteq (2m + 8)^{2}$$

$$\lambda^{V_{2}} \approx (\frac{\delta}{2m})^{V_{2}} + \cdots$$

$$d = \pi \sum_{k=0}^{k} \delta^{1/2}$$

3 body. $y_n = P_{i,n} + P_{2,n} + P_{3,n}$ $dT_3 = (2\pi)^4 s^{(4)} (y - P_i - P_2 - P_3) \frac{3}{11} \frac{dP_i}{dP_i}$ $i = i (2\pi)^3 2P_{i0}$ Decompose $Y = X + P_3$ $X = P_1 + P_2$ $dT_{3} = \int_{2\pi} dT_{2} (Y \rightarrow X P_{3}) dT_{2} (X \rightarrow P_{1}, P_{2}) dX^{2}$ $m_{1} + m_{2} \leq \sqrt{X^{2}} \leq \sqrt{Y^{2}} - m_{3}$ Way above threshold, energy is the only dim-ful quantity dTI3 ~ The E2 dTI2 suppressed w.r.t. 2-body Near threshold. Y2~ (3m+8)² $d\pi_2(\gamma \rightarrow \chi P_3) \sim d\pi_2(\chi \rightarrow P_1, P_2) \sim \delta^{1/2}$ $dX^2 \sim mS$ dTT3 x 82 open slower than 2-body

Rate also depends on

- Coupling constants
 - More final state particles, higher power of coupling constants.
 - QCD process dominates over weak processes.
- Singularities (enhancements) of matrix elements
 - Resonances.
 - Collinear and soft regime...

Understanding the rates



Example: considering ttbar vs W⁺W⁻, The relevant factors are: top is twice as heavy as W (2 times higher threshold) α_s^2 vs α_w^2 ttbar is gg dominated, WW is qqbar.









dijet vs
$$\pm \overline{E}$$

 $\sigma(dijet, p_{\tau}^{2} > 250) \sim 100 \ \overline{\sigma_{et}}$
 $\cdot Many more diagrams for di-jet. $\mathcal{O}(10)$ enhancement
 $\cdot \text{ Forward pingubarity in di-jet}$
 $\overline{I} \qquad \overline{\sigma_{etc}} \qquad \text{etc.}$$

Why is it hard to discover TeV-scale new physics at the LHC

- p p collider, "prefers" to produce lighter states.
- Production rates scale roughly as $\sigma_{pp \to M} \sim \frac{1}{M^6}$
- TeV new physics $M_{\rm NP} \sim 5 10 \times M_{\rm SM(W,Z,t,...)}$
 - $\sigma_{\rm SM} \ge 10^6 \times \sigma_{\rm NP}$
- Dominated by QCD: A messy environment.
- Need:
 - Precise knowledge of the SM processes.
 - Anticipation of potential new physics states and their properties.

Being produced does not mean we can see them!
Final state Objects

- Colored particles: cluster of hardonic energy, jet
- Leptons: electron, muon
- Photon
- Heavy flavor: bottom (charm)
- Missing energy (MET)



Modern detector (cartoon)



Identifying particles



From SM processes

- QCD: quark, gluon→ jets
- QCD heavy flavor: b, c.
- Z: $Z \to (q\bar{q}, \ell^+\ell^-, \nu\bar{\nu}) \to \text{jets}$, lepton pair, $\not\!\!\!E_T$
- $W: W^{\pm} \to (q\bar{q'}, \ell^{\pm}\nu) \to \text{jets}, \text{lepton} + \not\!\!\!E_T$
- Top: $t \to b + (W \to q\bar{q}' \text{ or } \bar{\ell}\nu)$
- Tau lepton: narrow jet(s), lepton.

SM Rates at 7 TeV:

- **QCD di-jet:** $p_T^j > 100 \text{ GeV}, 300 \text{ nb}$
- Heavy flavor: $b\overline{b}, p_T^b > 100 \text{ GeV}, 1 \text{ nb}$
- W+...: $W^{\pm} \to \ell \nu$, 14 nb $W^{\pm}(\to \ell \nu) + 1 \text{ jet}, \ p_T^j > 100 \text{ GeV}, \ 70 \text{ pb}$

one lepton + jets + MET

 $W^{\pm}(\rightarrow \ell \nu) + 2 \text{ jet}, \ p_T^j > 100 \text{ GeV}, \ 2 \text{ pb}$ $W^{\pm}(\rightarrow \ell \nu) + 1$ jet, $p_T^j > 200$ GeV, 5 pb • **Z** + ...: $Z(\to \ell^+ \ell^-)$, 1.4 nb

di-lepton + jets

 $Z(\to \ell^+ \ell^-) + 1 \text{ jet}, \ p_T^j > 100 \text{ GeV}, 10 \text{ pb}$

New Physics: ~ pb

SM rates at 7 TeV

• di-boson: $W^+W^-: 30 \text{ pb}$ di-lepton + MET, ~ 1.2 pb

 $W^+W^- + 1$ jet, $p_T^j > 100$ GeV, 2 pb di-lepton+jet+MET ~ 0.1 pb $W^+Z: 7$ pb, $W^-Z: 3.7$ pb

tri-lepton + MET ~ 0.1 pb

• top pair: 160 pb! Always has 6 objects.

 $t\bar{t} \rightarrow bbW^+W^- \rightarrow bbjj\ell\nu, bb\ell\nu\ell\nu, bbjjjj$

- (MET+lepton+Jet 40%, Heavy flavor...)
- Looks like new physics, pair production of a massive particle followed by a decay cascade.

Two possible ways of discovery:

final state	rate estimate
begin with \geq 2 hard jets	10 ⁵ Hz
in addition	
hard jet	10 ² Hz
or $ ot\!$	$\sim 10^2$ Hz
or 1 lepton	10 ² Hz
or 2 lepton	1 Hz
or 2 $\ell = e^{\pm} + \mu^{\pm}$	10 ⁻⁴ Hz



 Special kinematical features, resonances, edges, ...

Resonance



From matrix element: Breit-Wigner

Narrow width approximation

$$\frac{1}{X} = \frac{1}{1} \frac{1}{(S_{x} - m_{X}^{2})^{2} + \Gamma_{x}^{2} m_{X}^{2}} \approx \frac{\pi}{m_{x}\Gamma_{X}} Scs - m_{X}^{2}) \text{ if } F_{X} em_{X}}$$

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Almost a resonance:

- What if we don't observe all the final state particles. For example, conspider $W \to \ell \nu$
- Cannot form an interesting Lorentz invariant variable.
 - At least can look for something invariant under boost along z-direction, e.g., transverse component



Jacobian peak

Transverse Mass

 $M_{12}^{2} = (E_{e} + E_{v})^{2} - (k_{1T} + k_{2T})^{2} - (k_{1Z} + k_{2Z})^{2}$

Define

Define transverse mass

 $M_{T} = (E_{eT} + E_{vT})^{2} - (k_{1T} + k_{2T})^{2}$

End boint

 $m_{12}^2 > m_T^2$ end point at $M_T = M_{12} = M_N$

Proof for the end point.

$$M_{12}^{2} = (E_{e} + E_{v})^{2} - (\overline{k_{1T}} + \overline{k_{2T}}) - (k_{12} + k_{22})^{2} \qquad E_{e} = \int \overline{E_{eT}}^{2} + \overline{k_{12}}^{2}$$

$$M_{T}^{2} = (E_{eT} + E_{vT})^{2} - (\overline{k_{1T}} + \overline{k_{2T}})^{2}$$

$$(E_{e} + E_{v})^{2} = E_{eT}^{2} + \overline{E_{vT}}^{2} + k_{12}^{2} + k_{22}^{2} + 2\int \overline{E_{vT}}^{2} + k_{12}^{2}$$

$$m_{T}^{2} - m_{T}^{2}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{E_{vT}}^{2} + \overline{k_{12}}^{2} \int \overline{E_{vT}}^{2} + \overline{k_{23}}^{2} - 2E_{eT}E_{vT} \geq 0$$

$$M$$

$$= (\int \int \int \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} = E_{eT}^{2} + \overline{E_{vT}}^{2} + k_{12}^{2} + E_{eT}^{2} + \frac{2}{k_{22}} + 2 \int \overline{E_{vT}}^{2} + \overline{k_{12}}^{2}$$

$$(E_{e} + E_{v})^{2} = E_{eT}^{2} + \overline{E_{vT}}^{2} + k_{12}^{2} + 2E_{vT} + \frac{2}{k_{12}} = 0$$

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$$= (E_{eT} + k_{22} - E_{vT} + k_{12})^{2} \geq 0$$

Jacobian peak in
$$M_T$$

If N produced without transverse boost.
 $M_T = 2|k_{1T}| = 2|k_{2T}|$
 $\frac{d}{dm_T^2} = \frac{d}{dk_{1T}} \rightarrow Jacobian peak at $M_T^2 = M_W^2$
 $\frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{dm_T^2} \sim \frac{1}{(f_T = M_W)^2} \frac{2 - m_T^2/s}{(s - m_W^2)^2 + (f_W = M_W)^2} \frac{2 - m_T^2/s}{(1 - m_T^2/s)^2}$
Position of Jacobian peak smeared by width, resolution
Shape of Jacobian peak shanged by transverse boost.$

Measuring the W mass





M/ coarch



Seeing Higgs





Complicated New physics signals

Partners:

New physics states with similar interactions to those of the Standard Model particles, such as the superpartners in Supersymmetry.

TeV Supersymmetry (SUSY)

- Supersymmetry. $|boson\rangle \Leftrightarrow |fermion\rangle$
- An extension of spacetime symmetry.
- New states: "Partners"



- Couplings relate to SM interactions via supersymmetry.
 - ~ same strength.

Review: S. Martin "A Supersemmtrage Primer", hep-ph/9709356



Dominated by the production of colored states. Similar pattern for other scenarios. Overall rates scaled by spin factors.

SUSY at colliders



- long decay chain.
- jets, leptons, missing E_T
- Nice signal, good discovery potential.



multi-jet channel need very good modeling of background





Interactions.

More details: for example, S. Martin "Supersymmetry Primer"

- Superpartners have the same gauge quantum numbers as their SM counter parts.
- Similar gauge interactions. \triangleright G_{μ}, W, Z, γ \overline{q} G_{μ} non-Abelian

Interactions.

- SUSY \Rightarrow additional couplings

strength fixed by corresponding gauge



Interactions.

 SM fermions (such as the top quark) receive masses by coupling to the Higgs boson.



Examples of production: colored

• Squark and gluino production.





Examples of production



Decay of squark and gluino

- Gluino always decays into squark (on or off-shell).
 - Glunino -> squark + Jets



- Squark decay.
 - Jet +
 - To gluino, then go through off-shell squark.
 - To chargino or neutralino.



Next steps

• To W or Z (maybe Higgs.)



- Lepton (suppressed by W/Z-> lepton BR.)
 1 or 2 leptons.
- Jets (softer, constrained by W and Z mass).

Simple rules.

- Typically, there are many channels through which a superpartner can decay.
- 2 body mode (almost) always dominate over 3-body mode.

 \blacktriangleright A factor 1/100 suppression from phase space.

- Charge channel often bigger than the neutral channels.
- Higgsino prefers 3rd generation.
- Wino prefers left-handed. •
- Typically, only one or two modes dominates.
 - Signature easier to understand.

Exercise:

Choose a SUSY spectrum, such as one of the so called SNOWMASS Points and Slopes (SPS) benchmarks, <u>http://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0202233</u>

Use a spectrum and coupling calculator such as SUSPECT, SoftSUSY, or just PYTHIA... Understand the output.

Long decay chains

- Putting the pieces together.
- Many channels, many final states.

$$\underbrace{\tilde{g}}_{\tilde{q}} \underbrace{\tilde{q}}_{\tilde{N}} \underbrace{\tilde{q}}_{\tilde{N}} \underbrace{\tilde{q}}_{\tilde{N}} \underbrace{\tilde{g}}_{\tilde{q}} \underbrace{\tilde{q}}_{\tilde{N}} \underbrace{\tilde$$

2-lepton chain



1-lepton chain

$$\begin{split} \tilde{g} &\to q_1[\tilde{q}] \to q_1 q_2 \tilde{N}_0 \\ \tilde{g} &\to q_1[\tilde{q}] \to q_1 q_2 [\tilde{N}_i] \to q_1 q_2 [Z] \tilde{N}_0 \to q_1 q_2 q_3 q_4 \tilde{N}_0 \\ \tilde{g} &\to q_1[\tilde{q}] \to q_1 q_2 [\tilde{C}_i] \to q_1 q_2 [W] \tilde{N}_0 \to q_1 q_2 q_3 q_4 \tilde{N}_0 \\ \tilde{g} &\to q_1[\tilde{q}] \to q_1 q_2 [\tilde{N}_i] \to q_1 q_2 [Z] \tilde{N}_0 \to q_1 q_2 \ell^+ \ell^- \tilde{N}_0 \\ \tilde{g} &\to q_1[\tilde{q}] \to q_1 q_2 [\tilde{N}_i] \to q_1 q_2 q_3 q_4 (\ell^+ \ell^-) \tilde{N}_0 \end{split}$$

Exercise: draw diagrams for tri-lepton, same sign di-lepton
Typical variables I: counts.

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Inclusive counts. Useful for signal >> backrgound.

$n_j imes$ jet +	b-jet non-b-jet
$n_\ell imes$ lepton +	ℓ all flavor and charge combo: e.g. $2\ell \rightarrow 21$ comb.
$n_{\gamma} \times \gamma$	

Kinematical features: transverse variables.

- Multiple hard objects.
- No resonance.
- Transverse variables made of several energetic objects. $M_{\rm eff}~H_{\rm T}$





Gianotti and Mangano, 2005

Another example: α_T



momenta labelled so that $p_{1T} \ge p_{2T}$

missing particles, total momentum $ec{p_3}$

$$\vec{p}_{1T} + \vec{p}_{2T} + \vec{p}_{3T} = 0$$

Define:
$$\alpha_T = \frac{p_{2T}}{m_T}$$
 $m_T = \sqrt{(p_{1T} + p_{2T})^2 - (\vec{p}_{1T} + \vec{p}_{2T})^2}$

Define p_T fractions
$$x_i = \frac{p_{iT}}{\sum_{i=1,3} p_{iT}}, x_i \le 1 \text{ and } \sum_{i=1,3} x_i = 2$$

We obtain
$$\alpha_T = \frac{1}{2} \frac{x_2}{\sqrt{1 - x_3}}$$

 α_T can be either <1/2 (more often), or > 1/2

For a nice review, see Michael Peskin, "Razor and Scissors"

Another example: α_T

 In comparison, consider QCD di-jet, with one of the jet (say p_{2T}) energy miss measured.



Many additional transverse variables: M_{T2} , Razor,

Kinematical variables: invariant masses

- Most useful: di-lepton edges and endpoints. (Mentioned earlier in neutralino decay).
 - Clean.
- Invariant mass distribution also carry spin information. Probably needs high statistics.
 For a review: See LW and J. Yavin, 2008
- More complicated invariant masses in longer decay chains possibly useful, but feature is less sharp. May need high statistics as well.

For example, see Miller and Osland. A set of papers.

- 3-body. End-point in di-lepton invariant mass.
 - Same flavor di-lepton.
 - Combinatorials can be suppressed with flavor subtraction.



More leptons if we are lucky

- A lot of leptons. No branching ratio suppression.
- On shell slepton, very distinctive feature.



 More complicated edges useful, but need high statistics.
 See several papers by: Miller, Osland.

Topology: model independent approach



partners:

Same gauge interactions as the $ilde{g}, \ ilde{q}, \ ilde{W}, ilde{Z}, \ ilde{\ell}...$ SM particles Similar signatures.

 $q^{\text{KK}}, q^{\text{KK}}, W^{\text{KK}}, Z^{\text{KK}}, \ell^{\text{KK}}...$

http://indico.cern.ch/conferenceOtherViews.py?view=standard&confId=94910 http://www.lhcnewphysics.org/web/Overview.html

A promising, and complicated, scenario.

$$> \text{TeV} \qquad \underbrace{ \begin{array}{c} & \widetilde{u}, \ \widetilde{d}, \ \ldots \\ & \widetilde{t}, \ \widetilde{b} \end{array} }_{\tilde{t}}$$

$$p \ p \to \tilde{g}\tilde{g} \to t\bar{t}t\bar{t}(\text{or }t\bar{t}b\bar{b}, t\bar{t}t\bar{b} \dots)$$

 $\tilde{g} \to t\bar{t}(b\bar{b}) + \tilde{N}, \text{ or }t\bar{b} + \tilde{C}^- \ t \to b\ell^+\nu$

The Dominant channel

- Multiple b, multiple lepton final state.
 - Good early discovery potential.
 - Challenging to interpret: top reconstruction
 A new method of fitting branching ratio to various final states
 Acharya, Grajek, Kane, Kuflik, Suruliz, Wang, arXiv:0901.3367

An example of a challenging measurement: spin or distinguishing SUSY with others.

Spin of new resonances



 $\psi_1 \rightarrow \psi_2 + \phi$

 $y_L\phi\bar{\psi}_2P_L\psi_1 + y_R\phi\bar{\psi}_2P_R\psi_1$

- Eample spin of fermion.
 - In the rest frame of the fermion.
 - Define angle θ of the decay product w.r.t. the polarization axis of ψ_1 .
 - Coupling could be chiral if $y_L \neq y_R$

Fermion spin



An Example $y_R = 0$ black: ψ_1 right-handed, red: ψ_1 left-handed Linear in $\cos\theta$

 ψ_1 not polized, no correlation, no spin information

- Go to the rest frame.
- Coupling chiral.
- Ψ_1 polarized.

Spin-1



In general: $|\mathcal{M}|^2 \propto \cdots + \cos \theta^{2J_{\text{mother}}}$

Example of spin measurement



1 and 2 are observable particles, q, ℓ , W^{\pm}

We are interested in the spin of X (on-shell).

We choose to use

$$t_{12} = (p_1 + p_2)^2.$$

In general, can not reconstruct the rest frame of X

Consider the rest frame of X



 $t_{12} \propto (1 - \cos \theta)^2$

Direction of $\,Y$ and 1 can be chosen to define the polarization of X For X with spin J_X

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dt_{12}} = a \ t_{12}^{2J_X} + b \ t_{12}^{2J_X-1} + \cdots$$

In principle, fitting the degree of this polynomial tells the the spin of X.

In practice, whether the coefficient a, b, ... are non-zero depends on the chirality of the coupling between X and I, 2, Z, Y, and the mass differences between them.

Interpreting the results correctly depending on our understanding the spectrum and couplings.

Example: SUSY vs spin-1 partner

Decay through charged partners $\tilde{\chi}^{\pm}$, $W^{\prime\pm}$...



Usually there are more leptons in the decay chain.

Near/far lepton has to be separated.

Spin measurements. Supersymmetry?



- No universally applicable method. Different strategies will be used in different scenarios.
 A review: LTW and Yavin, arXiv:0802.2726
- More information of the signal, masses and underlying processes, is crucial.

Lepton colliders

- Fixed c.o.m.
- Much cleaner environment.
- Energy not as high.

Searching for WIMP dark matter

Indirect detection: AMS2, PAMELA, Fermi-LAT



Discovering dark matter:

 DM candidate embedded in an extended TeV new physics scenario



- Could be early discovery.

Narrow parameter space, could still work.



- The so called "well tempered" scenario.
- Also, A-funnel, stau/stop/squark co-ann.

Cahill-Rowley, Hewett, Ismail, Peskin, Rizzo, 1305.2419 Cohen, Wacker, 1305.2914

- Challenging to see at the LHC. Giudice, Han, Wang and LTW, 1004.4902

Could be harder make sure.

- For example: the "well tempered" scenario. Nearly degenerate NLSP and LSP.

N.Arkani-Hamed, A. Delgado, G. Giudice, hep-ph/0601041





S. Gori, P. Sechwaller, C. Wagner, 1103.4138

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- DM of "Typical" scenarios: SUSY

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Collider searches provide stronger bounds/potential

Collider Signals of dark matter.

- Basic channel: pair production + additional radiation.



- Large Standard Model background, about 10 times the signal.
- Very challenging.

For example, 1008.1783

Goodman, Ibe, Rajaraman, Shepherd, Tait, Yu, 1008.1783



For small m_X ,

collider rates controlled by larger mass scales, i.e., $p_{\rm T}$ cut; does not depend on $m_X.$

Collider bounds flat and stronger.

Recent results



Case study: a spin-1 Z'

Xiang-Dong. Ji, Haipeng An, LTW 1202.2894

$$\mathcal{L} = Z'_{\mu} [\bar{q}(g_{Z'}\gamma^{\mu} + g_{Z'5}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma_5)q + \bar{X}(g_D\gamma^{\mu} + g_{D5}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma_5)X]$$

Only couples to SM quarks and DM.



Connection with direct detection



 $g_D = g_{Z'}$, fixed σ_{dir}

Limits and reaches: monojet+MET



 $M_{Z'} = 100 \text{ GeV}, 300 \text{ GeV}, 1 \text{ TeV}$

Xiangdong Ji, Haipeng An, LTW, 1202.2894.

Di-jet resonance searches.

We could, and should, search for the mediator directly!

- Resonance searches.
 - ATLAS: 1 fb⁻¹ 1108.6311
 - ▷ CMS: 1 fb⁻¹ 1107.4771
 - CDF: Phys. Rev. D79 (2009).
- Compositeness.
 - CMS 36 pb⁻¹: Phys. Rev. Lett. 106 (2011)
 - Dzero: Phys. Rev. Lett. 103 (2009)

Combining di-jet with monojet

Assume $g_{Z'} = g_D$



Varying $y=(g_D/g_{Z'})$





t-channel



- For fermionic (scalar) dark matter, the mediator could be scalar (fermion).
- FCNC constraints $\Rightarrow \phi$ or χ in flavor multiplet.
 - Consider the case where dark matter is singlet.
 - ϕ is 3 under SU(3)_R has universal coupling to all quarks. (example: squarks with universal

See Chacko et al for flavored DM.

Collider searches



- 2 contributions for monojet.
- pp $\rightarrow \phi \phi$, "squark" searches.
- for large $m\phi$, mono-jet could be important.




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