Opening Up Jets and Missing Energy Searches (at the Tevatron)

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High Energy Frontier

No "sure thing" theory to discover Tevatron, Flavor, Precision EW, Higgs LHC may not burst into a superfire

Many BSM possibilities to search for Supersymmetric Standard Model Universal Extra Dimensions Randall-Sundrum Little Higgs

Different TeV scale physics, but similar signals Inverse problem hard

Discovery first

Jets plus Missing Energy A common signature

New Colored Particle Decays to WIMP

Existing searches based upon MSSM

 ${ ilde q}{ ilde q} { ilde g}{ ilde g} { ilde g}{ ilde g$

Very general template to start from

Can find SSM, UED, RS/LH w/ T-parity

Jets + Missing Energy Cuts at D0 1fb⁻¹ analysis

	Gg	$\widetilde{q}\widetilde{q}$	$\widetilde{q}\widetilde{g}$	$ ilde{g} ilde{g}$
	$1j + \not\!\!E_T$	$2j + \not\!\!E_T$	$3j + \not\!\!E_T$	$4j + \not\!\!E_T$
$E_{T j_1}$	≥ 150	≥ 35	≥ 35	≥ 35
$E_{T j_2}$	< 35	≥ 35	≥ 35	≥ 35
$E_{T j_3}$			≥ 35	≥ 35
$E_{T j_4}$				≥ 20
$\not\!$	≥ 150	≥ 225	≥ 150	≥ 100
H_T	≥ 150	≥ 300	≥ 400	≥ 300

(Not exclusive searches)

Will these discover anything visible in these channels?

 $H_T = \sum E_{T j}$

What we know about gluino limits



mSugra is not representative of the MSSM $m_{\tilde{g}}: m_{\tilde{B}} = 6:1$

> Anomaly Mediation Mirage Mediation non-Minimal Gauge Mediation

Never varies decay kinematics

Are there visible signals that are not being analyzed? Possible because the background is challenging

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Examining $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$ more carefully The "gluino" module Turn on one decay mode $\tilde{g} \rightarrow q \bar{q} \tilde{\chi}^0$ Keep masses and total cross section free $m_{\tilde{\chi}} \qquad \sigma(p\bar{p} \to \tilde{g}\tilde{g}X)$ $m_{\tilde{q}}$

Captures many models (MSSM, UED, etc) Misses heavy flavor and cascades

Where has the Tevatron probed "gluinos"?



Two Kinematic Limits

"Normal" Widely Spaced States $m_{\tilde{g}} \gg m_{\tilde{\chi}}$

Same multijet searches over the past 20+ years No cascades, or t-channel squarks

Easy to simulate

Degenerate Search



Useful when not phase space limited $Q = m_{\tilde{g}} - m_{\tilde{B}} > m_{\tilde{B}}$

If
$$Q < m_{\tilde{B}}$$

Bino carries away energy but not momentum

As gluinos get boosted, jets become collinear and $\not\!\!\!E_T$ aligned with jets

$$\Delta \Phi^{j \not \!\!\! E_T} \sim \frac{1}{\gamma_{\tilde{g}}}$$

Producing Degenerate Gluinos



Need additional hard jets Want the spectrum as well

> 120 GeV

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Gluinos are produced copiously



Searches useful in gluino searches











Reduced efficiency as neutralino mass is decreased

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Calculating Additional Jets

Parton Showering

QCD Bremstrahlung Soft/Collinear Approximation Resums large logs Computationally Cheap Unlimited number of partons

Matrix Elements

Necessary for well-separated jets Includes quantum interference Fixed order calculation Computationally expensive Limited number of partons

Matching merges best of both worlds Necessary to avoid double counting

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Transition from PS to ME





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Three Dominant Backgrounds W/Z + jets t tbar QCD

Subdominant Backgrounds Diboson Single top

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A quick comparison



But how much do we trust this? 30%??

Need to be aware of S/B for counting experiments

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Exclusive Jets + MET Search

4 Separate Searches, Individually Optimized

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Maximize significance for each $m_{\tilde{a}}, m_{\tilde{\nu}}$							

4⁺Jets Search

Standard Model 360, 60 (mSugra) 360, 60



Cascade decays turn missing energy to visible energy Significantly degrade search





At the Boundary of Visibility Accentuates the difference

Standard Model 360,120 360, 200





Multijet Searches



Harder cuts than D0



Looser cuts than D0

The Degenerate Region



Good in degenerate region

Fills in some gaps

Final Exclusion plot for 2fb⁻¹



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Have only focused on \tilde{g} module

Other modules

$$\widetilde{q} \qquad \widetilde{q} \rightarrow q\chi \qquad 3 \text{ parameters}$$

 $\widetilde{q}\widetilde{g} \qquad \widetilde{q} \rightarrow q\chi, \widetilde{g} \rightarrow q\overline{q}\chi \qquad 4 \text{ parameters}$

$$\tilde{g} \qquad \tilde{g} \to q\bar{q}\chi', \chi' \to q\bar{q}\chi \qquad 5 \text{ parameters}$$

 $\tilde{g} \qquad \tilde{g} \to q\bar{q}\chi'', \chi'' \to q\bar{q}\chi', \chi' \to q\bar{q}\chi \quad 7 \text{ parameters}$

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Should be a better way of searching Don't want to miss a visible signal

Jets plus MET Searches are effectively: Jet classification criterion Visible Energy and Missing Energy Cuts

As parameters in a module vary, visible and missing energy change dramatically



We are probing the Energy Frontier

Don't know what we are looking for

Models are just motivation

We need more model-independent searches

Worst tragedy is to not discover a visible signal