Searching For All-Hadronic SUSY With Jet Substructure US LUA Lightning Round

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Total Jet Mass

- ► First proposed by Wacker et al., <u>arXiv:1202.0558</u>
- Mass comes when combining widely spaced particles
 - $\rightarrow\,$ Jets with substructure have high mass!
- Define our sensitive variable as:

$$M_J^{\Sigma} = \sum_{i=1}^4 M_j^i$$

- Many different signals look very different from background
 - \rightarrow But there are some challenges to using large jet masses!



NB: only consider trimmed R = 1.0 jets with $p_T > 100$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.5$





- Build jet mass templates here: measure M(p_T, η)
- Various sub-regions for validation and search

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Validation region is an area we expect no signal (due to extra cuts on $\Delta \eta$), but can check performance of the templates



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- Open the box: compare signal region prediction to data
- Templates agree very well with data: no sign of BSM
- ► Different bins provide different S/√B: multi-bin fit improves final limits

Limits



- ► Interpret results in the m_ğ, m_{X₁⁰} plane: can we exclude a signal with various properties?
- ► Strong limits: out to m_{g̃} ~ 1 TeV
- An entirely new final SUSY state has been explored
 - Light gluinos could have been hiding here— but no evidence for them
- Jet substructure is the key to the analysis



- We have performed a new analysis searching for gluino pair production with hadronically decaying LSP's
- New jet substructure reconstruction techniques are at the heart of the analysis:
 - Accidental substructure provides a new variable, M^Σ_J, with powerful background suppression
 - Jet substructure templates provide a mechanism for measuring QCD backgrounds





Thank You For Your Attention!

Backup



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- Typical kinematic variable used for analyses is $H_T = \sum_i p_T^i$
- ► Structure in these events is different, even if energies are similar

Pileup at High Luminosity





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Using large-R jets reduces multiplicity: **increases overlaps** But how do you control for pileup contamination in these jets?



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Trimming and Pileup at High Luminosity





- ► Before trimming, large dependence of mass on pileup
- Trimming mostly removes pileup dependence of jet mass!

Jet Substructure Templates





Use kinematics from signal region to predict mass in signal region: M

Closure Tests in 3jCR





- Train templates separately or inclusively?
- Better agreement between template and data when trained separately
 - Quark/gluon composition different between leading and subleading
 - Averaging over differences with template leads to small bias

Closure Tests in 3jCR





- Third jet is very different from the leading two
- Template trained with third jet only shows large differences from leading two jets
 - 4j regions have four jets: use the template from the third jet to predict fourth jet mass

SR100 Limits









SR1 Limits







- Data-driven technique eliminates most typical sources of background uncertainty (JES, JMS, etc. apply only to signal)
- Three main data-driven sources of uncertainty instead:
 - 1. Variance: statistical uncertainty propagated from 3jCR
 - Statistical uncertainty from training sample, assessed via bootstrapping
 - 5-10% at low M_J^{Σ} , 20-40% at high M_J^{Σ}
 - 2. Bias: size of oversmoothing of templates
 - Controlled by size of kernel- chosen to be much smaller than variance
 - Assessed by making template out of templates, accurate to first order
 - Typically < 5%</p>
 - 3. Non-closure: disagreement in 4jCR
 - ► For SR100 regions, use full size of reweighting
 - ► For SR250 regions, use data/prediction disagreement
 - 5% at low M_J^{Σ} , 15% at high M_J^{Σ}

Background Estimation: The Challenge



- Background estimation is extremely challenging
 - Need prediction for masses of leading 4 jets— but MC is notoriously unreliable for this
- Data-driven technique is critical!



Poor data/MC agreement: difficult to model these effects!

Tests (and uncertainties) in 4jCR ($\Delta\eta > 1.4$)





- Templates agree very well with data, within uncertainties
- 4jCR100 has reweighting applied: slight disagreement between data/prediction is corrected using 4jCR
 - Plot here after correction: looks very good!
- ► 4jCR250 requires no correction: good agreement to begin





Largest uncertainties on the signal are from Jet Mass Scale

- Assessed using track-to-calorimeter ratios: accurate to 5%
- Leads to up to 50% acceptance effects at high M^Σ_J
- Other uncertainties– JES, JER, JMR– are subdominant

Testing in the Validation Region





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- Validation region allows us to check analysis before looking in sensitive region
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Optimal Signal Regions





- Binning optimized via best expected limits: many bin number and divisions scanned
 - ► Fit each bin shown previously with $M_J^{\Sigma} > 350 \text{ GeV}$
- ► Optimal SR in m_{g̃}, m_{x̃} mass plane is shown for SR100 and SR250
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Comparison to Other Analyses

- Compare results to jet-counting analysis: simply counts jets above some p_T threshold (i.e., look for events with 7 jets with p_T > 50 GeV)
- Total jet mass analysis outperforms nominal jet counting
 - M^Σ_J incorporates angular structure of event: should be doing better!
- b-tagging jet-counting outperforms total jet mass
 - Squark and λ" structure inclusive in flavor: often contains at least one b











- Add b-tagging to the analysis: orthogonal information from displaced vertices can clearly help!
- ► Focus on stops: increases jet multiplicity even higher
- Show results for different assumptions on λ": extra top quarks, or only light flavor, etc.
- ► Large challenge for Run II: *g* cross-section grows rapidly, but so does QCD background!
 - ▶ May need to add more variables, or rely on *b*-tagged analyses
 - Many tools left in the toolbox... should be an exciting search to continue!