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The Spectrum and Kaluza-Klein Functions

Standard Kaluza-Klein Expansion:

$$B_{\mu\nu}(x,y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_{\mu\nu}^{(n)}(x) f^{(n)}(y).$$

- Lightest states localised near *y* = *L* (of course ...)
- Note mass \geq KK gluon, quark masses for $m \gtrsim 2.2k$



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Kaluza-Klein Expansion Interactions with Standard Model

Coupling to the Gluon

- *B*–*B*–*g* coupling from kinetic term
- More interesting: B-g-g coupling

$$S_{ggB} = \frac{g_5}{\sqrt{2}M_S^*} \int d^5x \sqrt{|G|} C^{abc} \left(F^{aLM} F^b_{\ L}{}^N - \frac{1}{4} F^{aLK} F^b_{\ LK} G^{MN} \right) B^c_{MN}$$

• $C^{abc} = 2 \operatorname{Tr} \left[t^a \{ t^b, t^c \} \right]$
 $g_{\sigma}, g_{\sigma}^{(1)}$
 $B_{\mu\nu} \longrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{c} B - g - g \\ 1/\sqrt{kL} \end{array} \right\} = g^{-1} - g^{-1} \\ 1 \\ g_{\sigma}, g_{\sigma}^{(1)} \end{array}$
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Coupling to the Quarks

• Also a $q-\bar{q}-B$ coupling, relevant for production & decay

$$S_{q\bar{q}B} = -\frac{\mathrm{i}\,g_5}{\sqrt{2}M_S^*} \int \mathrm{d}^5 x \sqrt{|G|} G^{LM} E_n^N \Big(\bar{Q}_i \Gamma^n \tilde{B}_{LN} \mathcal{D}_M Q_i - h.c. \Big).$$

•
$$\tilde{B}_{MN} \equiv t^{a} B_{MN}^{a}$$

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Conclusions

Decays of the Regge Gluon Signals and Backgrounds

Total Decay Width



- Note width \gtrsim mass for $m \gtrsim 2.2k$
- Assumed Regge gluon on-shell (to factorise Veneziano A)
- Restrict ourselves to *m* below this cut-off

Decays of the Regge Gluon Signals and Backgrounds

Branching Fractions



- Decay to SM ($t\bar{t}$) only dominates for $m \lesssim 1.5k$
- Decay to two KK gluons (one off-shell) dominant otherwise
- Decay chain $B \rightarrow g^{(1)}g^{(1)} \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$

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Decays of the Regge Gluon Signals and Backgrounds

Identifying Energetic Tops Top Tagging Algorithms

- Regge gluon mass $\gtrsim 1.5 \text{ TeV}$
- Tops typically have $E \gtrsim$ 400 GeV, highly boosted
- Decay products collimate into "top jets"
- Need to distinguish top jets from ordinary QCD jets
- Many tools to do this, using jet substructure
- Trade off between acceptance and purity
- Use existing studies of tagging algorithms and apply to our model (BOOST 2010, 1012.5412)



Defining the Signal and Backgrounds

- Cannot* put Regge gluon into event generator
- "Generate" signal by assuming:
 - Regge gluon produced approximately at rest;
 - Decays to two KK gluons approximately at rest;
 - KK gluons decay isotropically to tops
- This gives top p_T distribution
- Background: QCD, n jets + (4 n) tops
- Dominated by jjjj
- Demand four tags ...
- ... but high tagger eff.
- Fix fake rate (no *p_T* dependence)



Decays of the Regge Gluon Signals and Backgrounds

Signal Cross Sections: 7 TeV



- Total cross section \sim 100s of fb
- Cross section less than 1 fb after cuts

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Prospects for Detection: 7 TeV Number of Signal Events in 10 fb

• Negligible backgrounds ($\lesssim 0.1$ events)



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- Total cross section 1–10 pb
- Cross section 1–10 fb after cuts

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Prospects for Detection: 14 TeV

Luminosity for Discovery

• Backgrounds $\sim 0.24 \text{ fb}$



- For $M \lesssim 2.7$ TeV, limited by number of events
- Otherwise demand $S/\sqrt{B} \ge 5$
- In all region plotted, signal ≥ background

Conclusions and Future Directions

- String Theory + Randall-Sundrum suggests TeV-scale, high-spin partners of SM
- Regge gluon decays to four highly boosted top quarks
- Difficult to see at 7 TeV LHC; detectable at 14 TeV LHC
- Obvious next step: Implement model in event generators

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