Theory of absence: Jet vetoes for finding new physics

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New physics Beyond the Standard Model must exist



LHC run II started this year

New energy range with opportunities for exciting new discoveries

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Supersymmetry

- Theoretically very appealing
 Only possible extension of the spacetime symmetries, which particle physics builds on
- Many nice features
 E.g. unification of gauge couplings
- Adresses important shortcomings of the Standard Model
 - Provides a dark matter candidate
 Lightest supersymmetric particle

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 \smile Solves the hierarchy problem

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Corrections enter with opposite signs:
 Quadratic divergencies cancel

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The Minimal Supersymmetric Model

- Supersymmetry (SUSY) transforms a bosonic state in a fermionic state and vice versa: Particle content of the SM approximately doubled
- No SUSY particles observed yet
- The LHC experiments undertake enormous efforts to search for these particles



Jet vetoes important for new physics searches

 Main challenge: Distinguish new physics (e.g SUSY) from overwhelming Standard Model background





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Stop and sbottom searches

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- CMS (CMS-PAS-SUS-13-018) "Search for direct production of bottom squark pairs"
- ATLAS (1506.08616) "ATLAS Run 1 searches for direct pair production of third-generation squarks at the Large Hadron Collider"

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- ATLAS (1403.5294) "Search for direct production of charginos, neutralinos and sleptons in final states with two leptons and missing transverse momentum in pp collisions at 8 TeV with the ATLAS detector"
- CMS (1405.7570) "Searches for electroweak production of charginos, neutralinos, and sleptons decaying to leptons and W, Z, and Higgs bosons in pp collisions at 8 TeV"
- ATLAS (1501.07110) "Search for direct pair production of a chargino and a neutralino decaying to the 125 GeV Higgs boson in 8 TeV pp collisions with the ATLAS detector"
- ATLAS (1509.07152) "Search for the electroweak production of supersymmetric particles in 8 TeV pp collisions with the ATLAS detector"

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Jet vetoes are even more important when a new particle is discovered, facilitating clean and precise measurements

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Focus today:

 For accurate exclusion limits, precise cross section predictions with reliable uncertainties are needed

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- For realistic and reliable cross-section predictions:
 Resummation required
- Theory uncertainties significantly reduced

Higgs production (0 jets)



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Currently experimental analyses use parton showers

Describe the leading logarithms (LL)

- → No uncertainty from jet veto
- If logarithms are large: Resummed calculation beyond LL accuracy needed Jet veto effect more significant $p_T^{\rm veto} \sim 30 \,\,{\rm GeV}$

Higgs: $Q \sim 125 \text{ GeV}$ New physics: $Q \sim 1000 \text{ GeV}$ for new physics processes!

Factorization and resummation in SCET



- Calculations with multiple scales lead to large logarithms, e.g. $\alpha_s \ln^2 \frac{p_T^2}{O}$
- <u>Factorization</u>: separate the physics associated with the different scales

$$d\sigma = H \times BB \times S \times \prod J_i \quad (B = \mathcal{I} \times f)$$

- Each component depend only on one scale, e.g. H(Q) contains $\alpha_s \ln^2 \frac{\mu}{Q} \rightarrow$ Remove logs by natural scale choice $\mu = Q$
- <u>Resummation</u>: Use RGEs to obtain all ingredients (*H*, *B*, *S*, *J*) at a common scale

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- Results for the resummed cross section prediction



Results at 13 TeV

PRELIMINARY RESULTS



- LHC 13 TeV run will test heavier sleptons
- Higher slepton masses lead to larger logarithms $\ln(p_T^{\rm cut}/Q)$ in the slepton production cross section
- Importance of jet veto resummation increases

Uncertainties

	$200~{\rm GeV}$	$1000 { m ~GeV}$
NL0	12 %	22~%
NLL	21~%	39~%
NLL'	5 %	12 %

Summary and outlook

 Precise cross sections including jet veto resummation important to fully exploit the LHC data:

If we don't see new physics at the LHC, they ...

... are needed to set accurate exclusion limits

... can be used to refine the search strategy

If we discover a new particle, they ...

... are essential to precisely determine the properties of the discovered particle

... can help to reveal the underlying model realised in nature

• Next steps:

- ---> Develop framework for jet veto resummation for generic processes
- \longrightarrow Calculated jet-veto resummed cross section for other relevant processes
- Public code providing resummed predictions

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