

SEARCH FOR SUPERSYMMETRY AT CMS

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Direct Searches for Supersymmetry

- Inclusive all-hadronic searches
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New physics beyond the Standard Model: Supersymmetry

- After the discovery of a Higgs Boson:
 - Hierarchy problem has become a real problem!
 - What mechanism is responsible for the Higgs mass?
- Supersymmetry can provide viable dark matter candidates:
 - Implies stable lightest (neutral) supersymmetric particles (LSP) leading to missing transverse energy (MET) in the detectors
 - Corollary, limits on SUSY from MET searches do not apply if SUSY LSPs aren't (exclusively) responsible for dark matter
- Unification of Gauge couplings at the GUT scale
- Local space-time symmetry naturally includes Gravity



(Broken) Symmetries can be elegant!



Entrance of Fermi National Laboratory (Fermilab FNAL), near Chicago



What is the status of the search for Supersymmetry?



- Simplest models like cMSSM (constrained minimal supersymmetric standard model) basically out of the game
- "Natural SUSY" has to have decoupled spectra



B^0 , $B^0_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$: Indirect searches

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branching fraction to $\mu\mu$ has sensitivity to "new physics" like Supersymmetry





Results: Consistent with Standard Model *→* Constraints allowed "New Physics"









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Inclusive search for SUSY in the MET and jets final state



 $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV, 19.5 fb⁻¹ luminosity (full 2012)

- Dominant squark and gluino pair/ associated production
- Stable neutralino LSP

Final state

MHT missing transverse Energy

$$\mathbf{H}_{T} = \left| -\sum_{i}^{jets} \vec{p}_{T}, i \right|$$

- Jets
 - High multiplicity or
 - High H_T (scalar sum jet p_T)

$$H_T = \sum_{i}^{jets} \left| \vec{p}_T, i \right|$$

→ Very little model assumptions





Selection

- 3 jets pT > 50 GeV, |η| < 2.5
- ΔΦ(MHT, jets_{1,2,3}) > 0.5, 0.3, 0.3
- Veto events with isolated e, μ with $p_T > 10$ GeV

Variable	baseline	36 signal search regions							
Jet-multiplicity	3 -	3 - 5		6 - 7	7			8 -	
HT [GeV]	500 -	500-800	800	-1000	1000	-1250	1250	-1500	1500 -
MHT [GeV]	200 -	200-300		300-4	50	450-60	0	600 -	

Backgrounds

- QCD multi-jet production MHT from jet resolution and mismeasurements
- W/tt→(e/µ)+jets
 Lepton is not reconstructed
- Z**→**vv
- W+jets→τ+jets
- ➔ All are estimated using data-driven methods

Baseline selection:



⊭_T [GeV]



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Background estimation

- <u>Z</u> →νν from γ+jets
 - Z/γ similar at high boson pT
 - Replace γ with MET
 - Correct Z/γ ratio using simulation
 - Apply γ acceptance & efficiency corrections

• tt/W $\rightarrow \tau(\rightarrow hadrons) + jets$

- Isolated µ control sample
- µ replaced by tau response according to template (each µ sampled 100 times)
- μ trigger, acceptance, efficiency, and branching ratio μ / v corrections







Results of the Jets plus MET search





Cross section limit and Interpretation in SMS

Gluino-gluino pair-production

Squark-squark pair-production

- First two squark generations mass degenerate
- Only one accessible squark





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SUSY search with MT2

Analysis carried out in the HT, jet-multiplicity, MT2 plane

$$(M_{T2})^2 = 2p_T^{vis(1)} p_T^{vis(2)} (1 + \cos\phi_{12})$$

Backgrounds from data control regions



signal region



MT2: Results





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Direct stop / sbottom searches



- MET > 175 GeV
- 2 jets pT > 70 GeV, $\Delta \phi < 2.5$ to supress QCD bb
- 1, 2 b-tags, veto leptons
- veto 3rd jet pt > 50 GeV to suppress ttbar

Stop analysis



- MET > 200 GeV
- \geq 2 jets, pT > 70 GeV and
- \geq 4 jets, pT > 40 GeV and
- ≥ 5 jets, pT > 30 GeV
- at least 1 b-tag, veto leptons
- Δφ(jet, MET) > 0.5, 0.5, 0.3
- top-reconstruction



Backgrounds:

- $Z \rightarrow vv$ from $W \rightarrow vI$ enriched data
- ttbar, W decaying to one lepton escaping detection →lost lepton
- QCD negligible (data sidebands)

Backgrounds:

- ttbar, W decaying to one lepton escaping detection →lost lepton method
- $Z \rightarrow vv$ from MC, corrected by data
- QCD from data side-bands





Summary stop and sbottom searches



- Several dedicated searches for "natural SUSY"
- Reinterpretations of inclusive searches
- Several "blind spots"
- Still room for natural SUSY to hide

 $\leftarrow \rightarrow$

room for (new) sophisticated search strategies





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- → Wino-like neutralinos
- \geq 1 photon with pT > 110 GeV \geq 2 jets with pT > 30 GeV HT > 500 GeV Particle-flow MET > 100 GeV
- 6 exclusive bins in MFT

- Bino-like neutralinos
- \geq 2 photon with pT > 36 (26) GeV \geq 1 jets with pT > 40 GeV no MET, but MR > 600 GeV, R²>0.02



Analyses strategies

Single Photon

- QCD photon-jet and QCD photon-fakes (jet→γ)
 MET from jet resolution and mismeasurements
 → Estimation from data: jet-control sample
- 2. Electro-weak backgrounds where an electron fakes a photon $(e \rightarrow \gamma)$
 - → Estimation from data: electron sample weighted by electron, photon conversion rate measured on Z→ee

Diphoton "Razor" Analysis

$$\begin{split} M_R &\equiv \sqrt{(|\vec{p}_{j_1}| + |\vec{p}_{j_2}|)^2 - (p_z^{j_1} + p_z^{j_2})^2} \\ M_T^R &\equiv \sqrt{\frac{E_T^{miss}(p_T^{j_1} + p_T^{j_2}) - \vec{E}_T^{miss} \cdot (\vec{p}_T^{j_1} + \vec{p}_T^{j_2})}{2}} \end{split} \qquad R \equiv \frac{M_T^R}{M_R} \end{split}$$

Signal region $M_R > 600$ GeV, $R^2 > 0.02$, M_R shape from data control region 0.01 < R^2 < 0.02



Results

Single-Photon







Interpretation in a General Gauge Mediated Scenario



Paper covering both analyses in preparation



Search for stop and higgsino production using diphoton Higgs decays $-\frac{\text{Stop}_{R}}{1}$

- "Natural" SUSY scenario with gauge mediated symmetry breaking
- Right-handed stop and higgsino are assumed to be only accessible sparticles
- Electroweak pair production of higgsinos or strong pair production of right-handed stop





Final state: H H + MET (+ 2b or 2t in case of strong production)



Selection

- 2 photons γ: pT > 40, 25 GeV, |η| < 1.4442
- 2 b-tagged jets: combined-secondary-vertex, particle-flow jets d=0.5, pile-up subtracted, pT > 30 GeV, |η| < 2.4

•	Signal selection	Lower control region	Upper control region		
	120 < m(γγ) < 131 GeV	103 < m(γγ) < 118 GeV	133 < m(γγ) < 163 GeV		

- Three signal categories (increases sensitivity up to 35%)
 - i. \geq 3 b-tagged jets \rightarrow strong production
 - ii. 95 < m(bb) < 155 GeV: "on-H"
 - iii. all other events: "off-H"

- → ewk production or small stop neutralino mass difference
- → strong & ewk production

Background estimation

- SM background from di-photon inv. mass sidebands
 - SM Higgs background (peaking) found to be negligible
- Fit performed using lower and upper control region for each category
 - Systematics due to fit-function studied
 - · Correlation to other variables by independent fits to lower and upper sideband





Results for the three categories



Event yields

Category	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	
signal 350 / 135	10.7	2.0	6.8	
signal 300 / 290	2.1	10.1	3.9	
signal 400 / 300	4.0	1.4	2.8	
expected background	6.7 ± 1.4	10.5 ± 1.8	29.7 ± 2.8	
observed	6	7	33	

 $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ L_{int} = 19.7 fb⁻¹

Dominant uncertainties:

- Background statistics
- B-tagged jet identification 1-17%
- Jet energy scale 7-43%

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Results and Interpretation

- CLs limits at 95% confidence level
 - LHC-style profiled likelihood teststatistics
- stop masses < 360 410 GeV excluded, depending on the neutralino mass







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 P_2

 $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$

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Search for electroweak production PRD 90 (2014) 092007 of neutralinos, charginos and higgsinos



- Probing decay channels
 H → bb / γγ / multileptons
 Z → II / jj, W → Iv / jj
- using Higgs mass similar as Z, W
- large MET, transverse mass MT, scalar energy sum ST, depending on the analysis



Higgsino mass m_{g_0} (GeV)

Search for electroweak production of neutralinos, charginos and higgsinos



Channels combined to single limit



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Talk by David Morse, Friday afternoon





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Search for Stealth Supersymmetry



- Stealth SUSY benchmark model for no-MET signatures
 - New hidden sector of particles at the weak scale with nearly mass-degenerate superpartners
- Diphoton channel
 - Background from S_T side-bands
 (S_T: scalar sum of pT of all accepted physics objects i.e. jets, photons, leptons, MET)
- Lepton channel
 - Dominant backgrounds ttbar, single-top, Z taken from Monte Carlo simulation, using corrections from data-control regions



19.7 fb⁻¹ (8 TeV)

0 b-tag e,μ

 $S_{T} > 700 \text{ GeV} \dots M_{\tilde{g}} = 600 \text{ GeV}$

2 3 4 5 6 ≥7

Data

Single t + tt

Non-prompt

Systematic unc.

S_⊤ > 1200 GeV

2345

6 ≥7

 N_{jets}

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Search for Stealth Supersymmetry

ST photon analysis







Search for Stealth Supersymmetry





Summary of CMS SUSY Results* in SMS framework





Probe *up to* the quoted mass limit

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Search for Supersymmetry: Dilepton mass edge

• Upper mass edge: $M_{max} = M(\chi_2^0) - M(\chi_1^0)$

•
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dm_{II}} = \frac{\pi^2 m_{II}}{2m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2} \sqrt{\left(m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 - \left(m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} + m_{II}\right)^2\right)\right) \left(m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 - \left(m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} - m_{II}\right)^2\right)}$$

for a direct 3-body decay and pure Lorentz invariant phase space

Search for Supersymmetry: Dilepton mass edge

- 2 isolated leptons (e, μ) pT > 20 GeV, $|\eta|$ < 2.4
- ≥ 2 jets pT > 40 GeV and MET > 150 GEV or
 ≥ 3 jets pT > 40 GeV and MET > 100 GEV
- m(II) > 20 GeV

Search for Supersymmetry: Dilepton mass edge

99% dominant background: ttbar

- Bkgd: Use <u>opposite lepton flavor events (e μ)</u> events to model the like flavor events in the signal selection (ee, μμ)
 - Correct for differences of electron and muon efficiencies
- Result: A highly precise Standard model background expectation

Results of the dilepton search

Significance of the dilepton search results

Analysis was carried out as "blind analysis"

First indication of Supersymmetry?

- Most likely explanation is still statistical fluctuation
- Other systematic effects in the data were not found

But...

- ...this was real?
 - ...the excess grows with new data?
- What would the Supersymmetry properties look like?
- Can this be studied / validated / ruled out by other analyses or experiments?
- → Paper with interpretation in preparation

Ambulance chasing...

- B. Allanach, A. R. Raklev, A. Kvellestad, ``Interpreting a CMS IIjj MET Excess With the Golden Cascade of the MSSM", hep-ph:1409.3532.
- P. Huang, C. Wagner, ``CMS kinematic edge from sbottoms", hep-ph:1410.4998.

Future prospects

- Lessons learned: We have accumulated enough luminosity and sensitivity to make searches for rare signatures in decay chains worthwhile
- Future analyses at center-of-mass energies of 13 TeV will push limits on Supersymmetry much further, especially from inclusive hadronic and leptonic search channels
- More sophisticated specialized algorithms will be necessary to target more difficult accessible Supersymmetry phase space regions

Future challenges:

- Boosted topologies only one challenge out of many at the future $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV high luminosity LHC
 - → jet substructure algorithms
- "Pile-up" from simultaneous and high-frequency pp-collisions distorted energy reconstruction, increased trigger threshold, jet multiplicit
 - → requires sophisticated subtraction algorithms
- Compressed spectra

small Supersymmetry particle mass differences

- \rightarrow only little visible energy, requires e.g. specialized triggers
- Electroweak production low jet multiplicity and energies
 → specialized analyses
- Model fits
 - → combine search results
 - → derive matching parameters, exclude phase space regions

Conclusion

- CMS has searched for New Physics using 19.5 fb⁻¹ of 8 TeV data of the full 2012 dataset
- Searching for Supersymmetry requires complex analysis tools
- Also 'negative' search results can be interesting
- CLs limits at 95% C.L. on the signal cross section have been calculated
- Interpretation in various simplified model spectra (SMS)

References

CMS public results: <u>https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/CMSPublic/PhysicsResults</u>

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Additional material

Inclusive search for SUSY with multi-leptons plus b

- Generic search, lepton requirement to suppress background
- Targeting possibly light third generation squarks (natural SUSY requires light 3rd generation)

 $\begin{array}{c|c} P_2 & \tilde{b}_1 & \ddots & \tilde{\chi}_2^0 & \ddots & \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \\ P_1 & \tilde{b}_1^* & \ddots & \tilde{\chi}_2^0 & \ddots & \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \\ & \tilde{b}_1^* & \ddots & \tilde{\chi}_2^0 & \ddots & \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ \end{array}$

Model C1

Sensitivity to SUSY scenarios with at least

- Three light isolated leptons (e, μ),
- One b-tagged jet
- Missing transverse energy (MET)
- Hadronic activity

 $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV},$ 19.5 fb⁻¹ luminosity (full 2012)

Selection

- 3 leptons with pT > 20, 10, 10 GeV
- m(l⁺l⁻) > 12 GeV
- ≥ 1 b-tagged jet with pT > 30 GeV
- No lepton with $\Delta R(I, b-jet) < 0.4$
- no jet with $\Delta R(I, jet) < 0.4$

29 signal regions

Variable	Baseline	Search Regions			
Sign/Flavor	$3~e/\mu$	On-Z		Off-Z	
N_{b-jets}	≥ 1	1	2		≥ 3
N _{jets}	≥ 2	2-3		≥ 4	
$H_{\rm T}~({\rm GeV})$	≥ 60	60–200		≥ 200	
$E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ (GeV)	≥ 50	50-100	10	0-200	≥ 200

<u>On-Z</u>: Opposite-sign same-flavor di-lepton mass with $m(Z) \pm 15$ GeV

Bin rather than cut

Standard Model background

- Top anti-top plus boson production: ttW, ttZ, ttWZ
- Single-top plus Z production: tbZ
- Di-boson production: WZ, ZZ
- Triple-boson production, WWW, WWZ, WZZ
- Non-prompt lepton (e.g. from b-decays)
- On-shell and off-shell photon conversions $\gamma \rightarrow l^+l_-$
 - Measured in low MET data control region

Monte Carlo simulation Validated in data control Region

Data side-band with 1 non-isolated lepton

Results

- Non-prompt lepton ú background dominant – this is extracted from data
- Simultaneous multi-bin fit to obtain final cross-section limits
- Lepton reconstruction and isolation efficiency uncertainties measured in data control sample on the Z peak

Source	Uncertainty, %
Luminosity	4.4
Modeling of lepton reconstruction, ID, $I_{\rm rel}$ based on Z-events	12
Jet energy scale	5 - 15
Unclustered energy and lepton effects on $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$	5
Modeling of b-jet multiplicity	5 - 20
Trigger	5
Total systematic uncertainty	15 - 30

95% C.L. upper limit on cross section (fb)

Cross section limit and interpretation in simplified model spectra (SMS)

Cross section limit and interpretation in SMS

Inclusive multi-leptons search

- More general focus on all possible three-lepton signatures
- Not optimized for a particular SUSY scenario
- Multiple search regions binned in MET, HT rather than cut

Selection

- \geq 3 isolated leptons, from same primary vertex
 - + pT > 10 GeV, $|\eta|$ < 2.4 for e, μ
 - At most one or three prong τ , pT > 20, $|\eta|$ < 2.3
- Z-mass ± 15 GeV and m(II)<12 GeV veto for opposite-charge same-flavor lepton pairs

Signal search channels

- Bins of number of opposite-sign same-flavor dilepton pairs
- Separate channels for events containing a hadronic tau
- No b-jet or \geq 1 b-jets
- HT < 200 GeV or HT > 200 GeV
- Five MET bins 0 50 100 150 200 GeV, ≥ 200 GeV

Backgrounds

(same as for 3 lepton + b)

 $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ 9.2 fb⁻¹ luminosity

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Results

Gluino pair-production and decay via off-shell stop

Slepton co-NLSP scenario

