R-parity violating SUSY with $\tilde{\tau}$ -LSP in ATLAS

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 $\tilde{\tau}^{-}$ $(\tilde{\chi}_{1}^{0})^{*}$ $(\tilde{\mu}_{R}^{-})^{*}$ λ_{121}

Introduction Just a short reminder...

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- Supersymmetry (SUSY): Fundamental symmetry between bosons and fermions
- *R*-parity (*R_p*) usually taken as conserved to avoid rapid proton decay; results in stable lightest supersymmetric particle (LSP)
- Stable LSP needs to be neutral and weakly interacting by cosmological constraints
- ► Other symmetries exists which stabilize the proton, but break *R*-parity: LSP not stable ⇒ no constraints on LSP
 - Baryon triality
 - Lepton parity



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 Most general fully-renormalizable gauge invariant terms: Introduce baryon number (*B*) or lepton number (*L*) violating couplings

$$W_{\not P_{p}} = \varepsilon_{ab} \left(\frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\frac{\lambda_{ijk} L_{i}^{a} L_{j}^{b} \overline{E}_{k}}_{\text{violates } L} + \underbrace{\frac{\lambda'_{ijk} L_{i}^{a} Q_{j}^{bx} \overline{D}_{kx}}_{\text{violates } L}}_{\text{violates } L} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_{xyz} \underbrace{\frac{\lambda''_{ijk} \overline{U}_{i}^{x} \overline{D}_{j}^{y} \overline{D}_{k}^{z}}_{\text{violates } B} - \varepsilon_{ab} \underbrace{\frac{\kappa'}{L_{i}^{a} H_{b}^{b}}_{\text{violates } L}}_{\text{violates } L} \right)$$

where i, j, k are generation indices, x, y, z SU(3) gauge (color) indices and a, b SU(2) gauge indices

- Only B or L violating couplings are allowed to prevent rapid proton decay
- From existing precision measurements: Strong bounds on RPV couplings
 - Mass spectrum and production of SUSY particles not changed significantly by introduction of RPV couplings



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- τ̃-LSP in broad range of mSUGRA parameter space
- ► Common feature, independent of RPV coupling: $\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\tau} \tau$
- Additional leptons may come from RPV stau decays
- Generic signature: Multi-lepton/tau final states + jets





Allanach, Dedes, Dreiner, Phys. Rev. D69 115002

Mass and nature of the LSP in no-scale mSUGRA: $M_0 = A_0 = 0$. Dashed lines show contours of lightest Higgs mass



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- ► Benchmark points with $\tilde{\tau}^{\pm}$ LSP proposed by Allanach et al. $A_0 = M_0 = 0 @M_{GUT}$ $\operatorname{sgn}(\mu) = +1$ $\tan \beta = 13$, $M_{1/2} = 400 \text{GeV}$
- $\tilde{\tau}$ is LSP, $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ is NNNLSP
- λ or λ' coupling
- expected cross section @10TeV:
 σ = 1.16pb



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RPV mSUGRA benchmark scenario BC 1

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- $\lambda_{121}(M_{GUT}) = 0.032$ $(L_1 L_2 \overline{E}_1 \text{ coupling})$
- ► Leads to 4-body decay of the $\tilde{\tau}$ -LSP: $\tilde{\tau}_{1}^{\pm} \rightarrow \tau^{\pm} \ell^{\mp} \ell'^{\pm} v$



Example event:





RPV mSUGRA benchmark scenario BC 2

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- $\lambda'_{311}(M_{GUT}) = 3.5 \cdot 10^{-7} (L_3 Q_1 \bar{D}_1 \text{ coupling})$
- ▶ Leads to 2-body decay of the $\tilde{\tau}$ -LSP: $\tilde{\tau}_1 \rightarrow \bar{u}d$



- Less taus as in BC 1, no leptons from the RPV decay, but τ̃-mass (in principle) fully reconstructable
- BC 1 and BC 2 are two extreme cases of the RPV couplings in terms of the phenomenology of the resulting final states



BC 1: Number of objects per event

after ATLAS standard object selection and overlap removal;

full detector simulation





Efficiencies of the tau identification in BC 1

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- Pure reconstruction and ID efficiency of τ leptons (hadronic decays only), no overlap removal included here
- Significant degradation of the tau ID efficiency in busy RPV events compared to the standard samples used for tau ID validation (mainly Z → ττ and W → τν)
- Needs special treatment in the estimation of ID efficiencies from data



BC 1: Missing transverse energy (scaled to $\int Ldt = 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$, $E_{cm} = 10 \text{ TeV}$)

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*∉*_T can be significant in BC 1 events due to v (from τ̃ and τ decays)



► However, we like to avoid ∉_T in the event selection, because large systematic uncertainties are expected in the first data



including standard overlap removal, scaled to $\int Ldt = 1$ fb⁻¹, $E_{cm} = 10$ TeV





BC 2: Number of objects per event

after ATLAS standard object selection and overlap removal



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- Expect jets and 2 low-p_T taus for BC 2 events
- QCD is most difficult background
- Hadronic τ leptons not useful against QCD background even at high jet rejections of the τ ID
- Use μ[±] from leptonic τ decays

 $egin{aligned} & N_{\mu^\pm} \geq 1 \ \text{with} \ p_{\mathcal{T}} > 20 \ ext{GeV} \ \text{and} \ N_{jet} \geq 4 \ ext{with} \ p_{\mathcal{T}} > 50 \ ext{GeV} \end{aligned}$





Reconstruction of Invariant Masses

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- Pre-study at MC generator level to investigate the feasibility of invariant mass reconstruction in BC 1
- No peak expected, but endpoint at simulated τ̃₁ mass (148 GeV), due to ν (τ̃₁[±] → τ[±]ℓ⁺ℓ'[±]ν)
- All combinations of ℓ⁺ℓ^{'−}τ[±] and visible 4-momentum of taus (5000 BC 1 events), only particles with p^{vis}_T > 10GeV and |η| < 2.5:</p>





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results

 Try to select good combinations by cut on Δφ = φ_{ℓ±} − φ_{τ±} < 1







Conclusions and Outlook

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- BC 1 and BC 2 scenarios are considered as "extreme cases" of the phenomenology of RPV models with *τ*-LSP
- BC 1 scenario would be easy to discover in ATLAS, very clean signal sample can be selected
 - However, ATLAS standard overlap removal seems to be non-optimal for BC 1.
 - Reconstruction of τ
 ₁ mass seems to be difficult in BC 1 due to combinatorial background
 - Usual tricks (OS–SS subtraction) do not remove all wrong combinations
- BC 2 harder to discover due to QCD background
- Generator study of RPV scenarios with τ̃-LSP in collaboration with the theory group of H. Dreiner ongoing
- Next step: Parameter scan (in M_{1/2} and tan β) around the benchmark points to avoid over-tuning of event selections







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- Strong bounds from precision measurements exist on those couplings
 - RPV couplings and bounds studied by Allanach, Dedes, Dreiner (Phys. Rev. D69, 2004)
 - Couplings too small to change SUSY mass spectrum significantly compared to related RPC case, but nature of LSP may change
 - Phenomenology can change significantly, if LSP is non-stable
- Choosing one non-vanishing λ, λ' or λ" coupling at M_{GUT} generates several other β_ρ couplings at the weak scale by RGEs
 - Choosing two non-vanishing RPV couplings at GUT scale gives even stronger bounds, so usually only one coupling chosen at a time



Decay spectrum of BC 1

Mass spectrum not to scale!





Decay spectrum of BC 2

Mass spectrum not to scale!





Tau leptons in benchmark scenario BC 2

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► Generator-level: Directions of quarks and gluons before hadronisation to direction of the visible component of hadronic tau decays (ΔR = √(φ_τ - φ_{parton})² + (η_τ - η_{parton})²)



 Cone size used for τ jets: ΔR < 0.4: Large fraction of τ leptons has overlapping jet within this cone $\tilde{\tau}^{-}$ $(\tilde{\chi}_{1}^{0})^{*}$ $(\tilde{\mu}_{R}^{-})^{*}$

Object selection

 $<math>R_p$ mSUGRA with $\tilde{\tau}$ -LSP in ATLAS

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Electrons

► IsEM flag: ElectronMedium

- ▶ $|\eta| < 2.5$ and $|\eta| \notin [1.37, 1.52]$
- ▶ p_T > 7GeV

Muons

- ▶ |η| < 2.7</p>
- ▶ p_T > 6GeV
- Isolation: $E_T < 15$ GeV in isolation cone with $\Delta R < 0.1$



- ▶ |η| < 2.5</p>
- ▶ p_T > 10GeV
- Tau likelihood > 4 for candidates with calo seed
 - (hasAuthor(tauRec))
- TauJet::numTrack() is 1 or
 3
- ► charge is ±1

Jets

|η| < 5
 p_T > 20GeV

Overlap removal

- ► Remove muons within ΔR < 0.4 to a jet</p>
- Remove electrons within $0.2 < \Delta R < 0.4$ to a jet
- Remove tau jets within $\Delta R < 0.4$ to an electron
- Remove jets within $\Delta R < 0.4$ to remaining electrons and tau jets



Number of selected objects per event

WZ 🕅

ZZ

BC 1

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Effective Mass, requiring at least one tau lepton (scaled to $\int Ldt = 1 fb^{-1}$)





BC 1: Effective Mass for events with at least one muon and one electron with $p_T > 40$ GeV each

including standard overlap removal, scaled to $\int L dt = 1 fb^{-1}$

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