MASS MEASUREMENTS AT THE LHC

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M(other)-theory or M 🌡 -theory



• W. Lamb (1955): "The finder of a new elementary particle used to be rewarded by a Nobel Prize, but such a discovery now ought to be punished by a \$10,000 fine"

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Anatomy of an event

- Visible particles
 - known: number, masses, momenta
- Invisible particles
- unknown: number, masses, momenta
- known: total P_T



- Invariant mass variables are constructed by:
- (optional) partitioning and lumping within each partition
- (optional) transversifying w.r.t. the beam axis (NB! two different ways)
- (optional) transversifying w.r.t. the upstream P_T
- (mandatory) fixing invisible momenta by minimizing CME⁴: N



I. Basic definition of $\sqrt{s_{min}}$

- Konar, Kong, KM 2008
- No partitioning; lump the visibles; separate the invisibles



• What is the minimum possible value of the CM energy?

$$\sqrt{s_{min}}(M_{inv}) = \sqrt{E^2 - P_z^2} + \sqrt{M_{inv}^2 + P_T^2}; \qquad M_{inv} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{inv}} \tilde{M}_i$$

Applications of $\sqrt{s_{min}}$

- Single semi-invisibly decaying particle
 - SM Higgs to tt-bar
- 0.25 GeV bin) $pp \rightarrow h \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b}l^{+}l^{-}E_{T}$ 10-2 $t\overline{t} \rightarrow b\overline{b}l^+l^-E_{T}$ $M_{h} = 500 \text{ GeV}$ (b) LHC 7 TeV 0.20 ${}^{1}_{\mathrm{c}}{}^{1/\mathrm{N}\cdot\mathrm{d}\mathrm{N}/\mathrm{d}\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{i}}}_{\mathrm{c}}~(\mathrm{GeV}^{-1})$ parton level, no UE H_T 20 $s_{\min}^{1/2}(0)$ $\sqrt{s}_{min}(0)$ 3 1/2 2 7 0.00 5 200 0 400 600 800 0 200 400 600 800 $\sqrt{s}_{min}(0)$ E_i (GeV) 6

- A pair of semi-invisibly decaying particles
- direct tt-bar production
- endpoint at the parent mass peak at the total parent mass



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- Objection: "you should not include objects from ISR and UE"
 - Solution: very good, then don't:



Repeat the constrained minimization and find:

$$\sqrt{s_{min}^{(sub)}}(M_{inv}) = \sqrt{\left(\sqrt{E^2 - P_z^2} + \sqrt{M_{inv}^2 + P_T^2}\right)^2 - P_{T(up)}^2}$$

Applications of subsystem Vsmin

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- tt-bar events
 - identify the WW threshold from the 2 lepton subsystem
- GMSB SUSY events
- identify the N₁N₁ threshold from the 2 photon subsystem



II. Partitioning and lumping together

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• Assuming N parents of equal mass, partition as



 Now the invisible momenta are chosen to minimize the mass of any parent:

$$M_N(\tilde{M}_{(1)}, \tilde{M}_{(2)}, \tilde{M}_{(3)}) \equiv \min_{M_{(1)} = M_{(2)} = M_{(3)}} \{M_{(a)}\}$$

III. Transversification (once)

Barr, Khoo, Konar, Kong, Lester, KM, Park 2010

- So far S_{min} and M_N are genuine (1+3)-dim. quantities
- One often uses (1+2)-dim. "transverse" quantities
 - the transverse projection is not unique! there are two (inequivalent) ways to do it:
 - Type "T": mass preserving
 - Type "t": velocity preserving
 - the operations of transversification and partitioning do not commute! Depending on the particular order, there are different types of variables, e.g.:
 - M_{2T} (the original Cambridge variable M_{T2})
 - M_{2t}
 - M_{T2}
 - M_{t2}

Transversification alternatives



- preserves the mass
- no P_z dependence
- test mass remains

$$\tilde{e}_t = \sqrt{\tilde{M}^2 + Q_T^2}$$

- preserves the velocity
- test mass disappears during minimization (Q_z->infinity)

$$\tilde{e}_t = Q_T \sqrt{1 + \frac{\tilde{M}^2}{Q_T^2 + Q_z^2}}$$

The recipe

- Partition the observed particles into N parent sets plus a separate set for Upstream objects
- Do one then the other
 - Lump the energies and momenta of the visible particles within each set
 - Transversify all energies and momenta
- Fix the unknown momenta of the invisible particles by minimizing the largest parent transverse mass
- Record the minimum value of the largest parent mass
- For any value of N, there are 4 different cases:
 - $-M_{NT}, M_{Nt}, M_{TN}, M_{tN}$

Mathematical identities for N=1

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- $M_{1T}=M_1=\sqrt{s_{min}}$ for any invisible test mass
 - the "T" transverse mass is a (1+3)-dim. quantity!
- H_T=M_{t1} (neither depends on an invisible test mass)
 reveals the physical meaning of H_T in the √smin sense
- $H_T=M_{T_1}(0)$, but not for general invisible test mass



Mathematical identities for N=2

Barr,Khoo,Konar,Kong,Lester,KM,Park 2010

- M_{2T}=M₂ for any invisible test mass
 - the "2T" type Cambridge variable is a (1+3)-dim. quantity!
- $M_{T2}(0)=M_{t2}$ for massless visibles
- Notice the different shapes near the upper endpoint



Transversification (twice)

 Having projected on the transverse plane, one can additionally project on the direction of Upstream P_T:



The two interesting limiting cases



- Very simple events (n=0 and n=1)
 - good news: no combinatorial problem
 - bad news: insufficient information, difficult to extract dark matter properties (mass, spin etc.)
 - generally more SM background
- Very complex events (n=infinity [4])
 - multijet events with 10-15 jets per event
 - very severe combinatorial problem

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$$\tilde{H}_c) = \sum_{all\ events} H(M_{2T}(\tilde{M}_c) - M_{2T\perp}^{max}(\tilde{M}_c)))$$



Transverse M_{2T}





 $N(\Lambda$

The other extreme: very complicated events

- Let's now do n=infinity
- Imagine something very complicated like
 - gluino pair production
 - gluino decays to N₂ and 2 jets
 - N₂ decays to N₁ and 2 jets
- Typical jet multiplicity is about 10
- Exclusive reconstruction seems hopeless

$$\tilde{g} \to jj\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \to jjjj\tilde{\chi}_1^0$$



Application of $S_{\mbox{\scriptsize min}}$ to complex events

 One can measure SUSY masses in terms of the LSP mass. The peak of S_{min} marks (the sum of) the masses of all particles produced in the hard scattering



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Summary

• By partitioning, lumping, transversifying and minimizing, one can obtain a whole series of invariant mass variables

N = 1 $M_1, M_{T1}, M_{t1}, M_{1T}, M_{1t}$ $M_{1T\perp}, M_{1t\perp}, M_{T1\perp}, M_{t1\perp}, M_{T\perp 1}, M_{t\perp 1}$ $M_{1T\parallel}, M_{1t\parallel}, M_{T1\parallel}, M_{t1\parallel}, M_{T\parallel 1}, M_{t\parallel 1}$

N = 2 $M_2, M_{T2}, M_{t2}, M_{2T}, M_{2t}$ $M_{2T\perp}, M_{2t\perp}, M_{T2\perp}, M_{t2\perp}, M_{T\perp2}, M_{t\perp2}$ $M_{2T\parallel}, M_{2t\parallel}, M_{T2\parallel}, M_{t2\parallel}, M_{T\parallel2}, M_{t\parallel2}$

- Which are most suitable, depends on the case at hand
- Some of these are old friends in disguise (H_T, M_{T2}, M_T, ...)
- Watch for the exact meaning of the "transverse" index
- It helps to think of these variables as resulting from minimizing the total CM energy (LHC energy is "expensive")
- Homework: figure out the meaning of the remaining variables on the second slide.

BACKUPS

Effect of ISR and UE

- ISR and UE destroy all these nice correlations...
 - Calculate ISR from first principles and undo the effect
 - What about UE? Papaefsthatiou, Webber 2009
 - Use only reconstructed objects (e.g. jets instead of cal towers)
 - MHT in place of MET



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Inclusive SUSY production

- The peaks in S_{min} mark the thresholds for the individual production subprocesses
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- Example: GMSB point GM1b
 - Lambda=80 TeV, M=160 TeV, N=1, tanb=15, mu>0



Another M_{T2} method

KM,Moortgat,Pape,Park 2009

- Basic idea: study M_{T2} distribution
 - of the two leptons only
 - for any two test masses
 - for two different values of P_T





Advantage of the new method

- The left branch endpoints are systematically underestimated
- We can pick both measurements to be on the right branch, which is measured much better





Longitudinal M_{CT}





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Generalized M_{T2} method

Barr, Gripaios, Lester 2009

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- Basic idea: test whether the two missing particles are the same
 - Neutrinos?

ISR invariance method

- Multi-component dark matter?



Gradient method



Ridge method



