

# CP violation in the MSSM at the LHC

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## Introduction

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## Our Project

We explore methods of determining if CP violating effects in the electroweak part of the MSSM can be observed at the LHC.

- Most detailed phenomenological analyses has been based on a future LC.
- Precise determination of phases only expected at a LC.
- Crucial for future search strategy to use LHC data to learn as much as possible.
- Choose processes with the most promising discovery potential at LHC (coloured states).

## CP Phase

We consider the MSSM with parameters defined at the weak scale.

- In this framework the gaugino and Higgsino mass parameters and the trilinear couplings can have complex phases.

$$M_i = |M_i| e^{i\phi_i}, \quad \mu = |\mu| e^{i\phi_\mu}, \quad A_f = |A_f| e^{i\phi_f}$$

- For the neutralino sector only the phase of  $M_1$  and  $\mu$  are important (the phase of  $M_2$  can always be rotated away).
- Physical phases  $\phi_i$ ,  $\phi_\mu$  and  $\phi_f$  generate CP odd observables (unique determination of CP phases) that can in principle be large as they are already present at tree level.

## CP Constraints

Certain combinations of the CP violating phases are constrained by experimental upper bounds on various EDMs (Electric Dipole Moments).

- Ignoring possible cancellations  $\phi_\mu$  is the most severely constrained.
  - Contributes at the one loop level to EDMs.
  - We set to zero in our analysis.
- $\phi_{M_1}$  also contributes at the one loop level to EDMs.
  - Accidental cancellations may allow it to become less constrained.
- The phases of the third-generation trilinear couplings,  $\phi_{A_{t,b,\tau}}$  have weaker constraints.
  - Only contribute to EDMs at the two-loop level.



# Neutralinos

The supersymmetric partners of the  $B$ ,  $W^\pm$ ,  $H_1^0$ ,  $H_2^0$  mix to produce mass eigenstates called neutralinos.

Mixing matrix:

$$\mathcal{M}_N = \begin{pmatrix} M_1 & 0 & -m_Z s_W c_\beta & m_Z s_W s_\beta \\ 0 & M_2 & m_Z c_W c_\beta & -m_Z c_W s_\beta \\ -m_Z s_W s_\beta & m_Z c_W c_\beta & 0 & -\mu \\ m_Z s_W s_\beta & -m_Z c_W s_\beta & -\mu & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$M_1 = U(1)$  Gaugino Mass Parameter

$M_2 = SU(2)$  Gaugino Mass Parameter

## Diagonalisation

The matrix is diagonalised by a unitary mixing matrix  $N$ :

$$N^* \mathcal{M}_N N^\dagger = \text{diag}(m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}, m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}, m_{\tilde{\chi}_3^0}, m_{\tilde{\chi}_4^0})$$

where  $m_{\tilde{\chi}_i^0}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 4$  are the (non-negative) masses of the physical neutralino states.

The lightest neutralino is then decomposed as:

$$\tilde{\chi}_1^0 = N_{11} \tilde{B} + N_{12} \tilde{W} + N_{13} \tilde{H}_1 + N_{14} \tilde{H}_2$$

with the bino ( $f_B$ ), wino ( $f_W$ ) and Higgsino ( $f_H$ ) fractions defined as:

$$f_B = |N_{11}|^2, \quad f_W = |N_{12}|^2, \quad f_{H_1} = |N_{13}|^2, \quad f_{H_2} = |N_{14}|^2.$$

The LSP will hence be mostly bino, wino or Higgsino according to the smallest mass parameter,  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$  or  $\mu$ .

## Stop Mixing

The Stop mixing matrix is given by:

$$\mathcal{M}_{\tilde{t}}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} M_{\tilde{t}_{LL}}^2 & e^{-i\phi_{\tilde{t}}} |M_{\tilde{t}_{LR}}^2| \\ e^{i\phi_{\tilde{t}}} |M_{\tilde{t}_{LR}}^2| & M_{\tilde{t}_{RR}}^2 \end{pmatrix},$$

with off diagonal terms:

$$M_{\tilde{t}_{RL}}^2 = (M_{\tilde{t}_{LR}}^2)^* = m_t(A_t - \mu^* \cot \beta),$$

and phase:

$$\phi_{\tilde{t}} = \arg[A_t - \mu^* \cot \beta].$$

We note that we have  $\phi_{\tilde{t}} \approx \phi_{A_t}$  for  $|A_t| \gg |\mu| \cot \beta$ .

## Time reversal

Triple Product Correlations are a useful tool for studying **CP** odd observables.

- Construct an observable:

$$\mathcal{T} = \vec{p}_1 \cdot (\vec{p}_2 \times \vec{p}_3)$$

- Naïve time reversal operation,  $T_N$ , reverses 3-momenta  $\vec{p}_i \rightarrow -\vec{p}_i$  and polarisations.
- Assuming  $CPT_N$  holds (final-state interactions and finite-width effects are negligible),  $T_N$  violation is equivalent to CP violation.
- Asymmetry will vanish under **CP** conservation.
- Triple product correlations as a **CP** indicator are a tree level effect.
  - Observables are not suppressed by loops as is the case with B-physics.

## CP odd observables

Require at least a three body decay mediated by a particle that is not a scalar (allow spin correlations).

- Observable correlations cannot occur solely from decays of a neutralino.
- Triple products originate from the Dirac Trace that produces the covariant product:

$$\text{tr}(\gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu \gamma^\rho \gamma^\sigma \gamma^5) \longrightarrow i \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} p_a^\mu p_b^\nu p_c^\rho p_d^\sigma.$$

- The covariant product can be expanded in terms of explicit 4-momentum components:

$$E_a \vec{p}_b \cdot (\vec{p}_c \times \vec{p}_d) + \dots\dots\dots$$

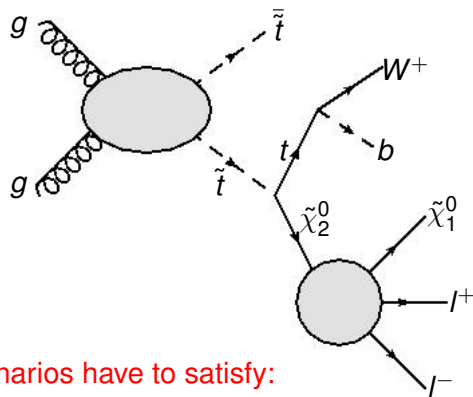
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## Process

Process studied:

$$\begin{aligned}
 g g &\Rightarrow \tilde{t} \bar{\tilde{t}}, \\
 \tilde{t} &\Rightarrow t \tilde{\chi}_2^0, \\
 \tilde{\chi}_2^0 &\Rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 l^+ l^-.
 \end{aligned}$$



For this channel to work all scenarios have to satisfy:

$$M_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} < M_{\tilde{e}_{L,R}}, \quad M_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} - M_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} < M_Z.$$

## Realising CP asymmetry

Process allows three different triple products to be studied:

$$\mathcal{T}_t = \vec{p}_t \cdot (\vec{p}_{\ell^+} \times \vec{p}_{\ell^-}), \quad \mathcal{T}_b = \vec{p}_b \cdot (\vec{p}_{\ell^+} \times \vec{p}_{\ell^-}), \quad \mathcal{T}_{tb} = \vec{p}_t \cdot (\vec{p}_b \times \vec{p}_{\ell^\pm}).$$

- $\mathcal{T}_t$  only sensitive to phase,  $\phi_{M_1}$ .
- $\mathcal{T}_b$  and  $\mathcal{T}_{tb}$  sensitive to both  $\phi_{M_1}$  and  $\phi_{A_t}$ .
- **Charge identification is required as CP conjugate process has an asymmetry of the opposite sign.**
  - For  $\mathcal{T}_t$  and  $\mathcal{T}_{tb}$  we require opposite decay chain i.d. ( $\tilde{t} \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}^+ b$  dominant).
  - For  $\mathcal{T}_b$ , leptonic decay of  $W$  is an alternative.

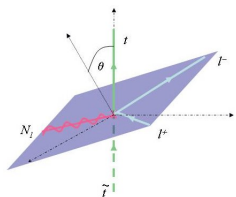


## Realising CP asymmetry

I choose an example triple product:

$$\mathcal{T}_t = \vec{p}_t \cdot (\vec{p}_{l^+} \times \vec{p}_{l^-})$$

Momentum conservation forces  $l^+$ ,  $l^-$  and  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  to define a plane in the rest frame of  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$ .



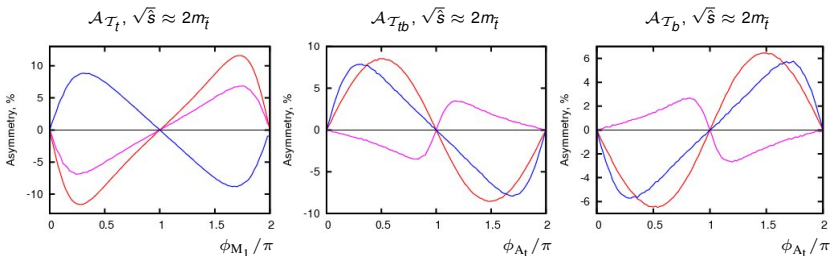
- A non-zero expectation value of  $\mathcal{T}$ , implies a non-zero average angle between the plane and the z-axis ( $p_t$ ).
- Define asymmetry parameter:

$$\eta = \frac{N_+ - N_-}{N_+ + N_-} = \frac{N_+ - N_-}{N_{total}}$$

where:

$$N_+ = \int_0^1 \frac{d\Gamma}{d\cos\theta} d\cos\theta, \quad N_- = \int_{-1}^0 \frac{d\Gamma}{d\cos\theta} d\cos\theta,$$

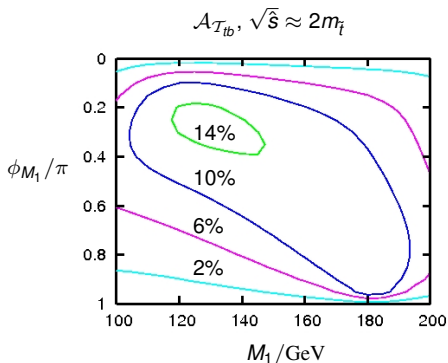
# Parton Level Asymmetry



Red:  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  =Gaugino-Higgsino mix, Blue: NUHM- $\gamma$ , Purple:  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  =Higgsino

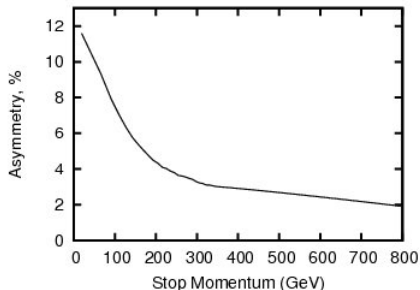
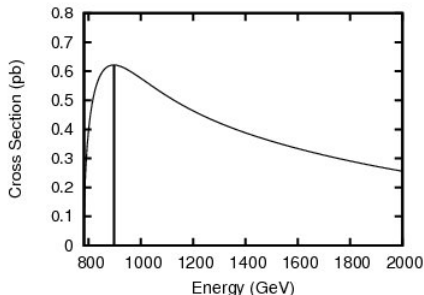
- All asymmetries in %.
- **Asymmetries at the parton level can be as large as 10%.**
- Various scenarios with three body decay of  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  show similar results.
- **CP odd observable**

## Parton Level Asymmetry



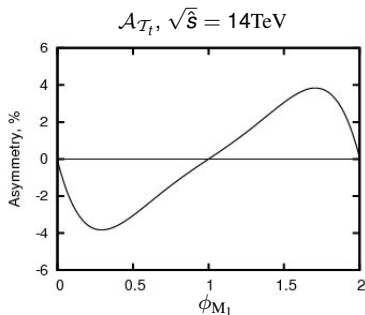
- As an example we vary  $M_1$  between over the range allowed by our mass constraints.
- **Similar values for asymmetry found over whole range.**
- Common trilinear couplings can also be varied and asymmetries are again found to be similar.

Including PDFs

Kinematics of  $\tilde{t}_1$  $\mathcal{A}_{T\tilde{t}_1}$ ,  $\phi_{M_1} \approx \text{maximal}$  $\sigma(gg \rightarrow \tilde{t}_1 \tilde{t}_1)$ 

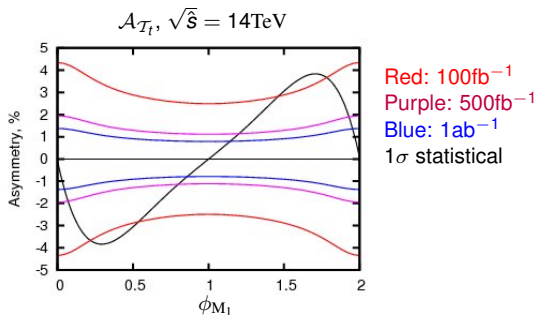
- $\tilde{t}_1$  are boosted due to production process and PDFs.
- Asymmetry is maximal in rest frame of decaying particle.
- Dilution of asymmetry due to  $t$  flipping orientation in comparison to plane defined by  $l^+l^-$ .

# Hadronic Level Asymmetry



- After including production process and folding in PDF's, asymmetry drops to  $\approx 4\%$  maximum.
- Similar for each triple product.
- All results generated analytically, cross-checked with Herwig++.

# Hadronic Level Asymmetry



- Cross section of production  $\approx 1.5\text{pb}$  (Analytical, Herwig++, Madgraph).
- $BR(\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_2^0 t) \approx 10\%$ ,  $BR(\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \ell^+ \ell^-) \approx 4\%$ .
- If cuts, detector effects.... etc are included, discovery potential looks very difficult even if large phases are present.

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$$q g \implies \tilde{q}_L \tilde{g},$$

$$\tilde{q}_L \implies \tilde{\chi}_2^0 q,$$

$$\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \implies \tilde{\chi}_1^0 l^+ l^-.$$

- Process takes advantage of one of the dominant SUSY production channel at the LHC.

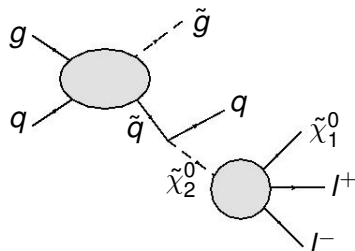
- Kinematic constraints:

$$M_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} < M_{\tilde{e}_{L,R}}, \quad M_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} - M_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} < M_Z.$$

- Triple product to be reconstructed (sensitive to  $\phi_{M_1}$ ):

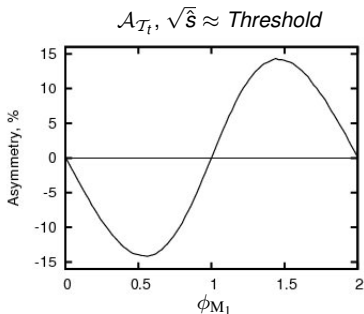
$$\mathcal{T} = \vec{p}_q \cdot (\vec{p}_{l^+} \times \vec{p}_{l^-}).$$

- Charge identification not required as  $\tilde{q}$  dominates over  $\bar{\tilde{q}}$ .





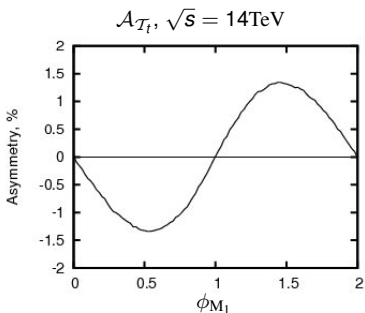
# Partonic Level Asymmetry



Parameter	Value	Particle	Mass	Particle	Mass
$m_0$	150	$\tilde{g}$	496.5	$\tilde{\chi}_1^0$	78.1
$m_{1/2}$	200	$\tilde{d}_L$	484.1	$\tilde{\chi}_2^0$	148.4
$A_0$	-650	$\tilde{d}_R$	466.4	$\tilde{\chi}_{1,2}^\pm$	148.2
$\tan \beta$	10	$\tilde{u}_L$	477.9	$\tilde{\chi}_{1,2}^\pm$	436.0
$\text{sign } \mu$	+	$\tilde{u}_R$	465.9	$\tilde{e}_L$	207.5
$M_1$	80.5	$\tilde{b}_1$	397.2	$\tilde{e}_R$	173.1
$M_2$	153.3	$\tilde{b}_2$	462.6	$\tilde{\nu}_e$	192.0
$M_3$	484.6	$\tilde{t}_1$	171.0	$\tilde{\tau}_1$	149.4
$\mu$	419.0	$\tilde{t}_2$	498.0	$\tilde{\tau}_2$	212.5
				$\tilde{\nu}_\tau$	187.2

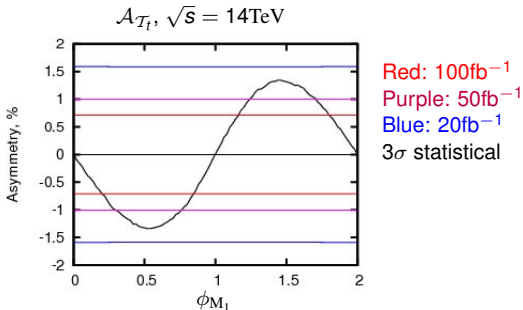
- Asymmetry can be as large as 15%.
- mSUGRA scenario chosen with favourable features.
  - Large branching ratios for our decay chain.
  - Coupling character of  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  and  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  here produce large asymmetry.

## Hadronic Level Asymmetry



- Asymmetry drops significantly at the LHC for three reasons.
  - $\tilde{q}$  are boosted due to production process and PDFs.
  - $\tilde{q}^*$  are present in the sample.
  - $\tau$ 's that decay leptonically are indistinguishable.
- **Asymmetry drops to  $\sim 1.5\%$  maximum.**

# Hadronic Level Asymmetry



- Cross section of production  $\approx 17\text{pb}$ .
- $BR(\tilde{q}_L \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_2^0 q) \approx 30\%$ ,  $BR(\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 l^+ l^-) \approx 10\%$
- Hints could be seen at the LHC.

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## Momentum Reconstruction

- Main problem with measuring asymmetries at the LHC is the dilution due to boosted frames.
- We reconstruct the frame of the decaying particle and the full asymmetry is restored.
- Reconstruct LSP momentum using the set of invariant equations.
- Also investigate the effect of boosting into the frames of the visible decay products.

## Process

Mass conditions:

$$m_{\tilde{q}}^2 = (P_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} + P_q)^2,$$

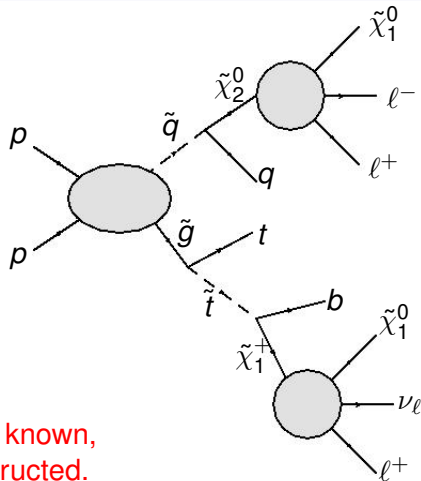
$$m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 = (P_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} + P_{\ell^+} + P_{\ell^-})^2,$$

$$m_{\tilde{g}}^2 = (P_{\tilde{t}} + P_t)^2,$$

$$m_{\tilde{t}}^2 = (P_{\tilde{\chi}_1^+} + P_b)^2,$$

$$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^+}^2 = (P_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} + P_{\ell^+} + P_{\nu_\ell})^2,$$

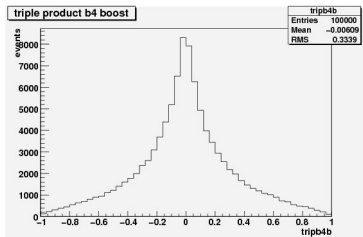
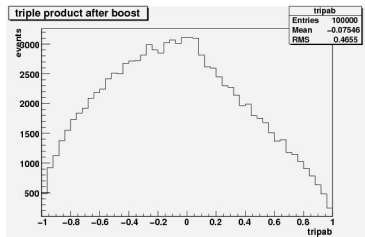
$$\vec{p}_{miss}^T = \vec{p}_{\tilde{\chi}_{1A}^0}^T + \vec{p}_{\tilde{\chi}_{1B}^0}^T + \vec{p}_{\nu_\ell}^T.$$



- Assuming particle masses are known, momenta of  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  can be reconstructed.
- By boosting into rest frame of decaying  $\tilde{q}$ , parton level asymmetry is recovered.

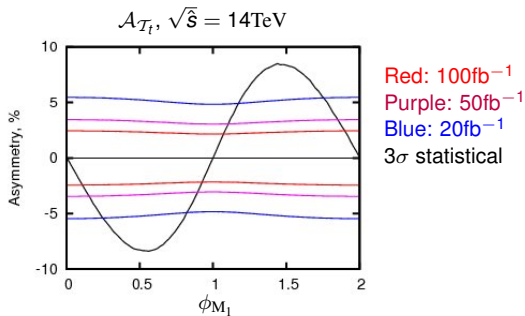
# Boost Example

Lab Frame

 $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  Rest Frame

- Using events generated by Herwig++ effect of boost can clearly be seen.
- Angle between  $\ell^+$ ,  $\ell^-$  plane and  $q$  is enhanced.
  - Asymmetry becomes more resolvable.

# Results



- Asymmetry returns to near parton level magnitude.
  - Still  $\tilde{q}^*$  in sample.
  - Complications with multiple solutions.
- **Substantially increases statistical significance of any result.**



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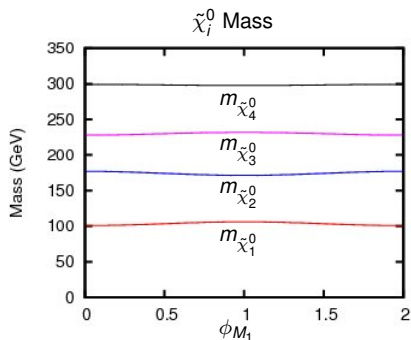
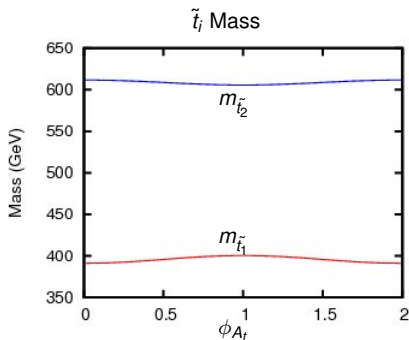
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- New forms of CP violation are required to explain asymmetry we see in the universe.
- **MSSM can contain new phases that lead to CP violation.**
- Initial study of  $\tilde{t}$  production would require large luminosity.
- **New study using  $\tilde{q}\tilde{g}$  much more hopeful.**
- Data from ILC will be crucial to constrain parameter space of MSSM.
- Using momentum reconstruction further improves the situation.

## Extra Slides

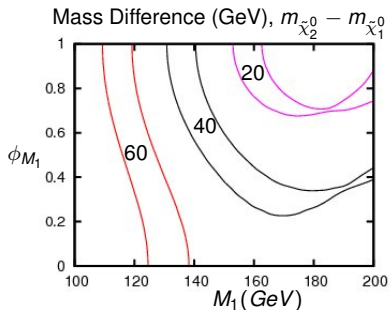
Extra slides on other possible  
MSSM CP observables

## Variation of Mass with CP Phase



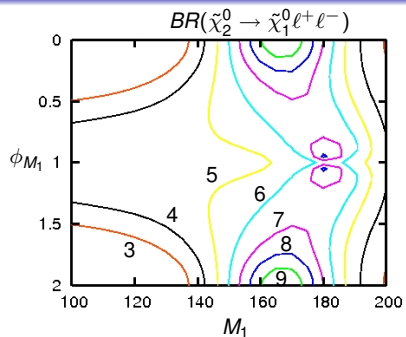
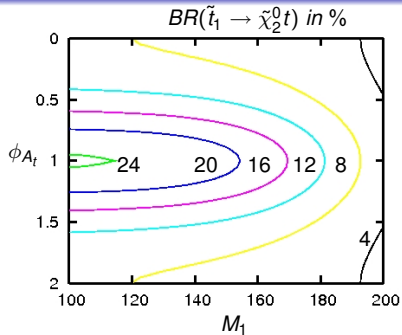
- Masses of both  $\tilde{t}$  and  $\tilde{\chi}_i^0$  vary with phase.
- CP even quantity.
- An absolute mass measurement at the LHC will not be accurate enough to constrain the phase.

## Mass Difference



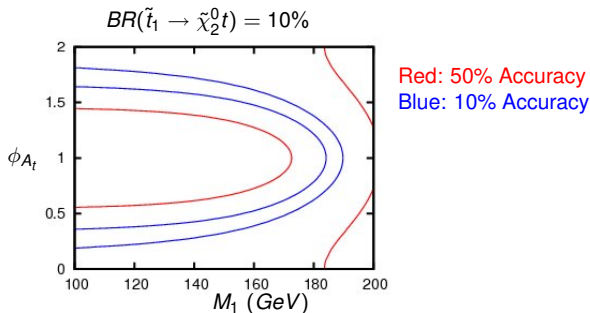
- Assumed a 1% experimental error.
- Assumed a 5% error in determination of  $M_2$ .
- A measurement of the mass difference  $m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$  looks potentially more promising if the mass difference happens to be small (<40 GeV).

## Branching Ratios



- Both  $BR(\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_2^0 t)$  and  $BR(\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \ell^+ \ell^-)$  vary with phase.
- Both couplings and phase space factors are responsible for behaviour.
- CP even quantity.
- Highly scenario dependent.

## Measurement of Branching Ratios



- Parameter space allowed when the experimental accuracy of the branching ratio measurement is 50%,  $\Delta_1$  (LHC) or 10%,  $\Delta_2$  (LC).
- Analysis assumes all other scenario parameters are known
- Measurement only looks likely with a future Linear Collider.