

Simplified models & benchmarks devoted to searches for displaced top-quarks at the LHC 14 TeV Run

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Introduction

ATLAS & CMS:

Search of exotic particles with **long life-times** (decay in the detector volume)
(Difficulties to be observed: detectors are not designed initially for this purpose)

Goal of the project:

Provide simplified models & benchmarks for future searches of **non-prompt top-quarks arising from heavy long-lived particles (LLP)** (3 scenarios)
Identify **observables of interest** for an **offline & online selection**

Why top quarks?

Expertise from CMS Team of IPHC
Investigate CMS & ATLAS algorithms performance to tag/reconstruct those objects
Study the relevance to design a devoted reconstruction/identification algorithm

Our definition of long-lived particle:

Flight distance ct between **4 cm & 100 cm**: "Tracker volume"

Find topologies of events **involving a long-lived mediator** which gives **at least one top quark**

Cross-section of the process must be **independant from the $c\tau$ of the LLP**

Design simplified models corresponding to such topology

Analysing the parameters region & studying:

- cross-section of production at 14 TeV
- average flight-distance of the LLP in the laboratory frame
- relevant geometrical & kinematical observables

Identifying promising benchmarks for each model where the top-quarks decay in the tracker volume

Give some **guidelines for the experimentalists** for online & offline selection

Displaced-tops quarks signatures

Types of mediation studied:

Coloured long-lived particle
(neutral or charged R-hadron)

- R-hadron containing a squark: Simplified model based on **MSSM with GMSB**
- R-hadron containing a gluino: Simplified model based on **MSSM Split-SUSY**

Uncoloured long-lived particle

- Electrically neutral : Simplified model based on **MSSM with RPV**

Events generation & Physical observables definition

Tools for events generation:

- **MADGRAPH_AMC@LNO** with PDF *NNPDF30_lo_as_0130* (LHAPDF lhaid=263000)
- **PYTHIA** (MCTunes CUETP8M2T4)
- **MADANALYSIS** tunable detector fast-simulation + some improvements
 - **FASTJET** (anti- k_t algorithm, $\Delta R = 0.4$, $p_{T_{min}} = 5$ GeV)
- **MADANALYSIS** in expert mode
 - magnetic field $B = 3.8$ T (CMS value, ATLAS=3.0 T)
 - fiducial acceptance of the tracker
 - cylinder with end-caps (no blind-spot)
 - infinite resolution for observables

Events generation & Physical observables definition

Definition of observables used for these analyses (online/offline selection):

Global observables:

$$\text{MET} = \left\| \sum_{\text{visible}} \vec{p}_T \right\|, \quad \text{MHT} = \left\| \sum_{\text{hadronic}} \vec{p}_T \right\|, \quad \text{TET} = \sum_{\text{visible}} \|\vec{p}_T\|, \quad \text{THT} = \sum_{\text{hadronic}} \|\vec{p}_T\|, \quad \alpha_T = \frac{p_{T2}}{m_{jj}}$$

If the LLP decays beyond the tracker, it is considered as invisible:

- neutral uncoloured LLP do not interact with calorimeter matter
- energy deposit of R-hadron in the calorimeter is negligible
- no interaction between R-hadron and matter: "charge sign change" or 'stopped LLP' are not taken into account

Other observables:

$$d_0 = \text{sgn}\left(\frac{p_T}{q\mathbf{B}}\right) \left(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} - \left| \frac{p_T}{q\mathbf{B}} \right| \right) \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} x = \mathbf{x}_v + \frac{p_y}{q\mathbf{B}} \\ y = \mathbf{y}_v - \frac{p_x}{q\mathbf{B}} \end{cases}, \quad p_{Tl}, \quad p_{Tj}, \quad \eta_l, \quad \eta_j$$
$$d_z = \mathbf{z}_v + \frac{p_z}{q\mathbf{B}} \arctan\left(\frac{xp_x + yp_y}{yp_x - xp_y}\right)$$

with $\mathbf{B} = 3.8 \text{ T}$ & $(\mathbf{x}_v, \mathbf{y}_v, \mathbf{z}_v)$: secondary vertex position

Mediation by a coloured long-lived particle (R-hadron based on a squark)

Model definition

Theoretical foundation

In the context of the **MSSM** with **R-parity conserved**: NLSP $\tilde{t} \rightarrow \psi_\mu t$

GMSB (Gauge Mediated Supersymmetry Breaking) : **gravitino is the LSP with a mass**

$$m_{3/2} \propto \frac{F}{m_p} \quad (F: \text{energy scale of messenger fields})$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{MSSM}} + \mathcal{L}_{3/2}^{\text{kin.}} + \mathcal{L}_{3/2}^{\text{int.}} \quad \text{with: } \mathcal{L}_{3/2}^{\text{int.}} = -\frac{\sqrt{4\pi}}{\sqrt{m_p}} \left(\mathcal{D}_\nu \phi^i \bar{\chi}_{Li} \gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu \Psi_\mu^{(M)} + \mathcal{D}_\nu \phi_i^\dagger \bar{\Psi}_\nu^{(M)} \gamma^\nu \gamma^\mu \chi_R^i \right)$$

with $\Psi_\mu^{(M)}$ the gravitino

Simplified model definition

- First & second sfermion generations not considered
- stop \tilde{t} = Equal mixing between left & right stop
- Lightest stop \tilde{t} is the NLSP **BR**($\tilde{t} \rightarrow \psi_\mu t$) = 1

Parameters:

- $m_{\tilde{t}}$
- $ct(\tilde{t})$ or $m_{3/2}$

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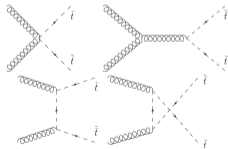
Production & decay

LO QCD production at LHC

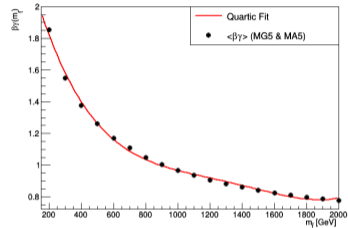
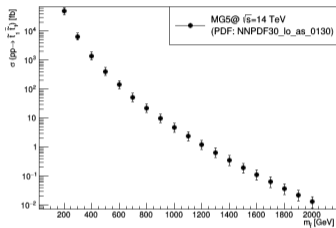
Only one parameter: $m_{\tilde{t}}$



Quark annihilation



Gluon fusion



Values for $m_{\tilde{t}}$:

- Assuming a hundred of events at $\mathcal{L}_{int.} = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
 - $\Rightarrow m_{\tilde{t}}^{\text{max}} \approx 1.4 \text{ TeV}$
 - $m_{\tilde{t}}^{\text{min}} \approx 1 \text{ TeV}$

$\langle\beta\gamma\rangle(m_{\tilde{t}}) \approx 0.9 - 1$: No large impact on the flight distance of \tilde{t}

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Production & decay

Decay width:

$$\Gamma(\tilde{t} \rightarrow \psi_\mu t) = \frac{1}{6m_p^2 m_{\tilde{t}}^3 m_{3/2}^2} \lambda^{3/2}(m_{\tilde{t}}^2, m_t^2, m_{3/2}^2) \times (m_{\tilde{t}_1}^2 - (m_t - m_{3/2})^2)^2$$

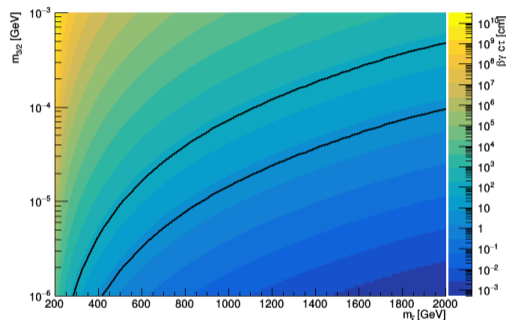
with $\lambda(x, y, z) = (x - y - z)^2 - 4yz$.

Stop \tilde{t} average flight distance:

$$ct = \langle \beta\gamma \rangle c\tau = \frac{\langle \beta\gamma \rangle \hbar c}{\Gamma(\tilde{t} \rightarrow \psi_\mu t)}$$

Definition of eight benchmarks:

Name	$\tilde{t}_{1.0}^{10}$	$\tilde{t}_{1.0}^{30}$	$\tilde{t}_{1.0}^{50}$	$\tilde{t}_{1.0}^{70}$	$\tilde{t}_{1.4}^{10}$	$\tilde{t}_{1.4}^{30}$	$\tilde{t}_{1.4}^{50}$	$\tilde{t}_{1.4}^{70}$
$m_{\tilde{t}}$ [TeV]	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4
ct [cm]	10	30	50	70	10	30	50	70



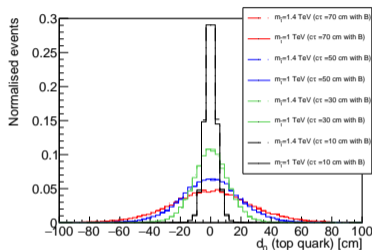
The black lines delimitate the "Tracker volume" [4 cm, 100 cm]

$m_{3/2} \approx 10 - 100$ keV

Mediation by a coloured long-lived particle (R-hadron based on a squark)

Results

Relevant distributions:

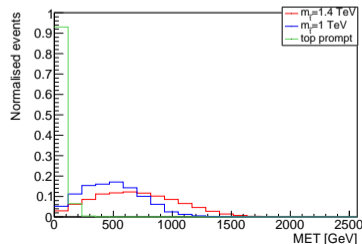


- Equivalent distributions for all particles & for d_z
- Same for $m_{\tilde{\chi}} = 1.0$ TeV & 1.4 TeV

Light gravitino ($m_{3/2} \sim \text{keV}$): Many benchmarks leads to equivalent distributions

⇒ Reduce to two distributions

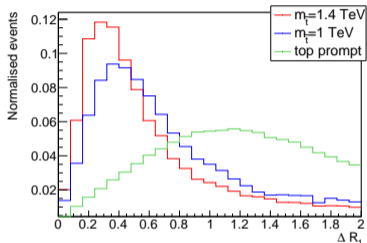
- Highly energetic events
- Main contribution from the gravitino (neutrinos negligible)



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Results

Relevant distributions:



Energetic events: **boosted topologies?**

(Requiring to study the jet substructure?)

Check the indicator $\Delta R(bW)$

A lot of events with $\Delta R < 0.4$

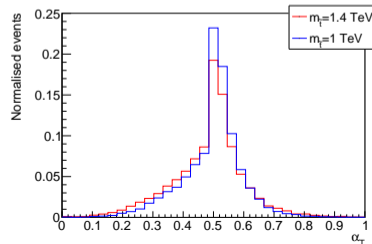
$$\alpha_T = p_{T_2}/m_{jj}$$

(p_{T_2}) transverse impulsion of the second hardest jet

(m_{jj}) invariant mass of the two hardest jets

Background (SM) events with $\alpha_T < 0.5$

α_T : **Dependency on the jet reconstruction!**



Mediation by a coloured long-lived particle (R-hadron based on a squark)

Results

Summary table: Geometrical quantities

	$\tilde{t}_{1.0}^{10}$	$\tilde{t}_{1.0}^{30}$	$\tilde{t}_{1.0}^{50}$	$\tilde{t}_{1.0}^{70}$	$\tilde{t}_{1.4}^{10}$	$\tilde{t}_{1.4}^{30}$	$\tilde{t}_{1.4}^{50}$	$\tilde{t}_{1.4}^{70}$
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$\langle MET \rangle$ [GeV]	506.4	507.4	508.4	507.8	704.2	707.9	712.9	695.5
$\langle TET \rangle$ [GeV]	1202.2	1202.0	1201.4	1202.0	1524.0	1522.8	1525.0	1568.6
$\langle THT \rangle$ [GeV]	1117.8	1117.0	1118.2	1117.0	1410.9	1411.4	1412.2	1416.7
$\langle MHT \rangle$ [GeV]	488.9	489.6	490.9	489.5	676.2	676.7	682.8	680.4
$\langle p_T(j_1) \rangle$ [GeV]	579.2	581.6	583.0	580.3	784.8	785.0	787.1	786.1
$\langle p_T(\ell) \rangle$ [GeV]	130.6	133.5	134.5	132.3	174.5	176.9	176.2	176.7
$\langle d_0 \rangle$ [cm]	3.1	9.4	15.6	21.6	3.1	9.2	15.4	21.4
$\langle d_z \rangle$ [cm]	6.8	18.9	28.3	34.4	6.0	16.7	25.8	32.4

("Tracker Volume": distance in the transverse plane between 4 cm & 100 cm)

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Summary table: Global Observables

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Mediation by a coloured long-lived particle (R-hadron based on a squark)

Discussion

Associated background

If "short-lived":

Background equivalent to stop pair search:

- $t\bar{t}$, DY with MET , tW , ...



If "long-lived":

- cosmic rays
- algorithmic
- detector (nuclear interactions)

Guidelines for experimentalists

Possible trigger path for Long-lived (Run 2):

- All top decay channels: $MET > 170$ GeV
- Few displacement: (Leptonic top decay channel) muon with $p_T > 50$ GeV or isolated leptons with $p_T > 23, 17$ GeV
- Specific long-lived trigger

Offline selection

- Search at least 1 displaced top (displaced jets, leptons, vertices)
- Boosted top: jets substructure analysis
- Cut on α_T ($\alpha_T > 0.5$)
- If R-hadron & long-lived enough: track

Mediation by an electrically neutral and uncoloured long-lived particle

Model definition

Theoretical foundation

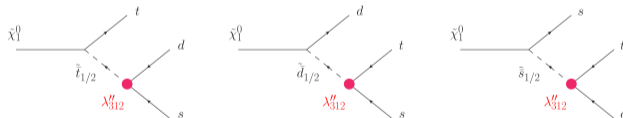
Based on **MSSM** with **R-Parity Violation**: LSP χ_1^0

$$W = W_{MSSM} + W_{RPV} \text{ with}$$

$$W_{RPV} = \epsilon_i (H_u \cdot L_i) + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{ijk} (L_i \cdot L_j) E_k^c + \lambda'_{ijk} (L_i \cdot Q_j) D_k^c + \frac{1}{2} \lambda''_{ijk} U_i^c D_j^c D_k^c$$

Baryonic & leptonic number violation from λ , λ' , λ'' (+ sym. properties $\lambda_{ijk} = -\lambda_{jik}$ & $\lambda''_{ijk} = -\lambda''_{jik}$)

Only λ'_{i3k} , λ''_{312} , λ''_{313} , λ''_{323} allow top quark in the final state \Rightarrow **Only consider $\lambda''_{312} \neq 0$** : $\chi_1^0 \rightarrow tds$



Simplified model definition

- Equal mixing between gaugino & higgsino states
- No mixing of different generations & Equal mixing left & right squark
- All squarks have the same mass

Parameters:

- $m_{\chi_1^0}$ & $m_{\tilde{\mu}}$ & $m_{\tilde{q}}$

Mediation by an electrically neutral and uncoloured long-lived particle

Production & decay

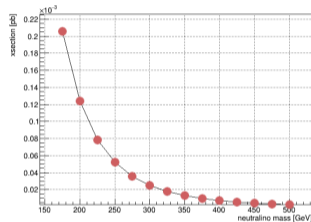
Two hard processes considered for production:

Direct neutralino production
($pp \rightarrow \chi_1^0 \chi_1^0$)



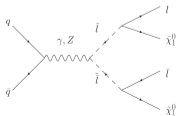
Dependency of σ :

● $m_{\chi_1^0}$



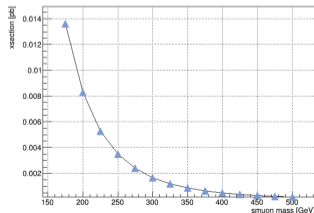
NLSP smuon production ($pp \rightarrow \tilde{\mu}^+ \tilde{\mu}^-$)

Smuon decay: $\tilde{\mu}^\pm \rightarrow \chi_1^0 \mu^\pm$ with $BR(\tilde{\mu}^\pm \rightarrow \chi_1^0 \mu^\pm) = 1$



Dependency of σ :

● Smuon mass $m_{\tilde{\mu}}$

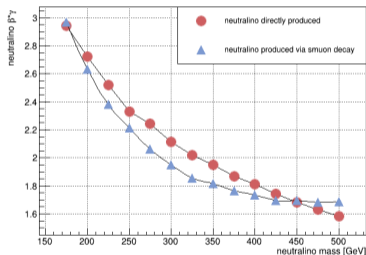


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Production & decay

Flight distance $ct \propto 1/(\lambda'')^2$

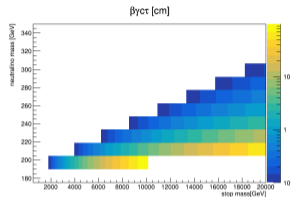
$m_{\tilde{\mu}}^{max.} = 500 \text{ GeV}$ for sufficient data signal



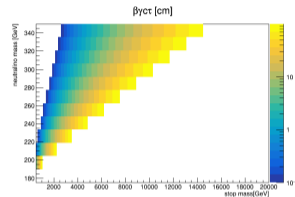
Lorentz factor $\langle\beta\gamma\rangle \approx 1.6 - 3$

Numerical computation of $ct = \langle\beta\gamma\rangle c\tau$

Wide region allowed depending on the λ'' -value



$\lambda'' = 10^{-1}$



$\lambda'' = 10^{-3}$

Benchmarks definition:

Name	$\tilde{\mu}^{10}$	$\tilde{\mu}^{30}$	$\tilde{\mu}^{50}$	$\tilde{\mu}^{70}$
$m_{\tilde{q}}$ [TeV]	7.2	10.3	2.35	3.7
$m_{\chi_1^0}$ [GeV]	200	250	225	200
$m_{\tilde{\mu}}$ [GeV]	250	300	275	250
ct [cm]	10	30	50	70

Long-lived gluinos produced in Split SUSY models

Model definition

Theoretical foundation

Split-SUSY: based on the paradigm that the naturalness problem is ignored (anthropic principle)

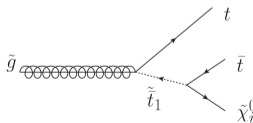
Squark & **slepton** masses can be as large as the GUT scale M_{GUT}
Fermions ($\{\chi_i^0, \chi_j^\pm\}$) remain near the EW scale

If neutralino χ_1^0 LSP & gluino \tilde{g} NLSP:

Long-lived process (LO) $\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{t}_1 t \rightarrow t \bar{t} \chi_1^0$ due to heavy-massive mediator

Simplified model definition

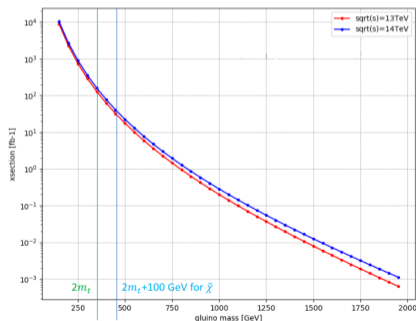
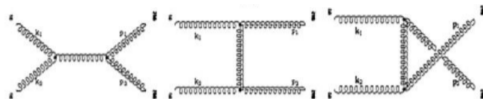
- Equal mixing between left & right stops
- χ_1^0 : Only the gauge states
- $BR(\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{t}\bar{t}) = 1$



Long-lived gluinos produced in Split SUSY models

Production & decay

Production LO QCD: gluino pair production
(other contribution including \tilde{q} negligible)



Benchmarks definition

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$m_{\tilde{g}}$ [TeV]	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
$m_{\chi_1^0}$ [TeV]	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
ct [cm]	10	30	50	70

Name	$\tilde{g}_{1.0,0.1}^{10}$	$\tilde{g}_{1.0,0.1}^{30,0}$	$\tilde{g}_{1.0,0.1}^{50}$	$\tilde{g}_{1.0,0.1}^{70}$
$m_{\tilde{g}}$ [TeV]	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
$m_{\chi_1^0}$ [TeV]	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
ct [cm]	10	30	50	70

Conclusion & Outlook

Summary:

Goal: models & benchmarks devoted to searches for displaced top-quarks using charged particles (decay in tracker volume)

Mediation by different type of LLP: R-hadrons (squark or gluino) & uncoloured neutral particle (neutralino)

For each model, some benchmarks have been defined and can be used by ATLAS/CMS collaboration

Guidelines for offline & online selection

Perspective:

A paper in preparation

Work for gluino-based R-hadron & uncoloured LLP must be finalized

Why not electrically charged and uncoloured LLP?

Begin to investigate specific LLP signature like displaced vertex with Delphes

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