# Search for long lived decays of new massive particles in the CMS experiment at the LHC

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# Internship's goals

#### Search for Displaced Tracks



- Characterize the Signal
- Multivariate Analysis
- Select Displaced Tracks

#### Reconstruct the vertices of the decay of the long-lived particles



- Apply Kalman Vertex Filter
- Evaluate Resolution and Reconstruction efficiency

- 1 Theoretical & Instrumental Contexts
  - SuperSymmetry
  - RPV-MSSM model
  - Flight distance of the neutralino
  - CMS Tracker

2 Selection method of the tracks coming from the signal

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# SuperSymmetry



## **R-Parity Violation Minimal SUSY Model**

$$P_R = (-1)^{3(B-L)+2s}$$
 where B and L are respectively the Baryonic and Leptonic  
numbers, s being the spin of the particle  
 $P_R = +1$  for SM particles  
 $P_R = -1$  for SUSY particles

#### **R-Parity Violation**

- Non-conservation of the leptonic and/or the baryonic number
- Decay of the LSP into SUSY and/or SM Particles
- Displaced tracks can appear in the tracker
- Displacement is a function of the lifetime of the LSP

## RPV process studied

- p-p interaction : Neutralino decay : •  $\overline{q}$  $\mu$  $Z/\gamma$ b  $\mu^{\neg}$ q  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ q" q"' ||  $I\nu_I$ •  $Br(\tilde{\mu} \to \mu \chi_1^0) = 100\%$  6 to 10 jets Two neutralinos with a •  $\lambda_{312}^{''}$  RPV coupling long lifetime
  - Trigger : Pair of Muons

- displaced top + stop->quarks
- Neutralino is a Majorana particle

## Parameters of the flight distance of the neutralino



- $\lambda^{''} = 10^{-3}$
- $\sigma$  :  ${\sim}1$  fb (10^3 lower than Higgs production)
- $\sim$ 100 events in the Run2 (2015-2018)

## Monte-Carlo Samples

4 Monte-Carlo samples of 10 000 events were generated, simulated and reconstructed for 4 different distances of flight:

$\tilde{\beta \gamma c \tau}(cm)$	Mass $\tilde{\mu}$ (GeV)	Mass $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ (GeV)	Mass $\tilde{t}$ (GeV)	Coupling $\lambda^{''}$
10	250	200	7200	10^1
30	300	250	10300	10 <sup>-2</sup>
50	275	225	2350	10 <sup>-3</sup>
70	250	200	3700	10 <sup>-2</sup>

Table: Masses of the SUSY particles for each distance of flight as well as for the coupling  $\lambda^{''}$ 

- Compromise between the cross sections, masses of the SUSY particles and the coupling
- $\bullet\,$  Decay in the tracker volume of  ${\sim}1.1m$  radius in the transverse plane (min. 3 cm)

## **CMS** Tracker



Search for Displaced Tracks

#### Theoretical & Instrumental Contexts

Selection method of the tracks coming from the signal

- Decision Tree introduction
- Signal/Background Comparison
- ROC  $\beta\gamma c\tau$  50 cm

3 Multivariate Analysis Implementation

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## Pre-selection of the tracks

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Before pre-selection After pre-selection 10<sup>6</sup> 11 P // 11 P Vbr of tracks notFromLLP isFromLLP



 $p_t > 1$  GeV AND  $\chi^2/dof < 5$  AND  $Sig_{dxy} > 5$ = 90% Background reduction &  $\sim$ 1% Signal loss Signal -> All the displaced tracks & Bkg -> the other tracks <S> $\sim$ 13 & <B> $\sim$ 27 tracks per event

## **Boosted Decision Tree**

#### Goal

• Select the displaced tracks coming from the neutralino decay

#### Classifier : Binary Tree



- Selection of the most discriminant variables between Signal and Background
- Cut to optimise  $\frac{S}{S+B}$
- 1 tree => 1 forest : Multiple trees
- Stabilize BDT response with respect to fluctuations
- Increase the performance

## Variable List



- For a given track with first hit (x1, y1, z1), count the **number of other tracks with their first hit at less than** 10 cm (n\_d10), 20 cm (n\_d20), ... or within 10-20 cm (n\_10d20), 20-30 cm (n\_20d30),...
- Impact Parameters :  $\rho_{dxy}$ ,  $\sigma_{dxy}$ ,  $\rho_{dz}$ ,  $\sigma_{dz}$ ,  $Sig_{dxy} = \frac{\rho_{dx}}{\sigma_{dy}}$ ,  $Sig_{dz} = \frac{\rho_{dz}}{\sigma_{dz}}$ ,  $Sig_{dd}$
- Number of Hits in each region : n<sub>TIB</sub>, n<sub>TOB</sub>, n<sub>PixBar</sub>, n<sub>TEC</sub>
- Others : algo,  $p_t$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\chi^2/dof$ ,  $n_{hits}$ , isinjet<sub>AK4PF</sub>

# For each variable, a comparison between the Signal and the Bkg is made for each sample:

with S=89580 and B=173677, <S>~13 & <B>~27 tracks per event



On the left, Signal/Bkg comparison for  $Sig_{dxy}$  for the sample  $\beta\gamma c\tau 50$ . On the right, Signal comparison between the 4 samples for  $Sig_{dxy}$ . Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) curve : Evaluate the discriminating power of the variables for the  $\beta\gamma c\tau$  50 cm sample

Signal Efficiency: % of Signal Tracks selected Bkg Efficiency : % of Bkg Tracks selected ROC Integral : Area Under Curve (AUC) Performance



• For a given track with first hit (x1, y1, z1), count the number of other tracks with their first hit at less than 10 cm (n\_d10), 20 cm (n\_d20),

• 
$$Sig_{dxy} = rac{
ho_{xy}}{\sigma_{xy}}$$

• 
$$Sig_{dd} = \sqrt{Sig_{dxy}^2 + Sig_{dz}^2}$$

#### 1) Theoretical & Instrumental Contexts

Selection method of the tracks coming from the signal

#### Multivariate Analysis Implementation

- Selection of the Variables used for the BDT
- Control Plots
- Validity of Training

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## Lists of variables

### Conditions on the 27 variables:

- Remove variables causing information redundancy e.g : n\_10d20 is the combination n\_d10 and n\_d20, Sig<sub>dxy</sub> is the combination of ρ<sub>dxy</sub> and σ<sub>dxy</sub> (27 -> 16 Variables )
- Variables a priori dependant on the distance of flight of the neutralino are removed to limit the dependence on the Training sample (16 -> 7 Variables )
- algo : tracking iteration used
- isinjet : if the track is in a jet or not

#### List of variables used for the BDT

 $\eta \quad \chi^2/dof \quad n\_d10 \quad algo \quad Sig_{dxy} \quad p_t \quad isinjet$ 

### ROC results:

- ROC curve (Background Rejection vs. Signal Efficiency)
- Training and Test distributions with BDT cut



# Validity of Training

## Validity of Training

- Look for any dependence on the Training sample for the AUC Performance
- Determine if one Training sample is better than the other to describe any distance of flight of the neutralino
- Check if any information is missed in the removed variables

Test/Training	$\beta \tilde{\gamma c} \tau \ 10$	$\beta \tilde{\gamma} c \tau$ 30	$\beta \tilde{\gamma} c \tau$ 50	$\beta \tilde{\gamma} c \tau$ 70	]
$egin{array}{c} \widetilde{\gamma c  au} \ 10 \end{array}$	0.86	0.85	0.85	0.85	],
$eta \widetilde{\gamma c  au}$ 30	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.87	
$eta  ilde{\gamma c}  au$ 50	0.88	0.88	0.89	0.88	
$eta  ilde{\gamma c}  au$ 70	0.88	0.89	0.89	0.89	
Average (7V)	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.87	

Table: 7V are the 7 variables mentioned earlier

## Validity of training with respect to test samples

Test/Training	$\beta \tilde{\gamma} c \tau \ 10$	$\beta \tilde{\gamma} c \tau$ 30	$\beta \tilde{\gamma} c \tau$ 50	$\beta \tilde{\gamma} c \tau$ 70
$\beta \tilde{\gamma c \tau}$ 10	0.86	0.85	0.85	0.85
$eta  ilde{\gamma c}  au$ 30	0.87	0.87	0.88	0.87
$eta \widetilde{\gamma c  au}$ 50	0.88	0.89	0.89	0.89
$eta \tilde{\gamma c  au}$ 70	0.88	0.89	0.89	0.89
Average (n <sub>hit</sub> )	0.87	0.87	0.88	0.88
Average (all)	0.87	0.87	0.88	0.88

Table:  $7V + n_{hits}$  are the 7 variables + the number of hits in the tracker **all** are the 7 variables + all the variables supposed to be dependent on the distance of flight

### Validity of training

- No dependence on the Training sample (distance of flight of the neutralino)
- All samples could be used for the final BDT
- Few information added by previously removed variables
- Final Training Sample :  $\beta \gamma c \tau$  50 cm

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  - Kalman Vertex Filter
  - Efficiency and Resolution
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## Kalman Vertex Filter

#### Kalman Vertex filtering steps

- Vertex Finding with Pure Signal
  - At least 2 tracks
  - Convergence criteria
    - Nbr. of iterations (can be number of tracks or lower)
    - ② Distance in the transverse plane between two iterations
- Vertex Fitting
  - Obtain best estimation of the position of the vertex

# Reconstruction of Displaced Vertices using only Signal Tracks to test the Reconstruction method

## Efficiency and Resolution of the reconstructed vertices

For the sample of  $\beta \gamma c \tau$  of 50 cm, for 6694 events filtered:

- Without using the BDT : 2\*5153 reconstructed vertices (77% efficiency)
- Using the BDT : 2\*4654 reconstructed vertices (70% efficiency)

Adding a restriction on the  $\chi^2$  ( $\chi^2 < 5$ ) on the reconstructed vertices

- Without using the BDT : 2\*2796 reconstructed vertices (42% efficiency)
- Using the BDT : 2\*2955 reconstructed vertices (44% efficiency)

The resolution obtained with the BDT in the transverse plane is at the order of 0.14 mm

The resolution obtained with the BDT in the z axis is at the order of 0.17 mm

## Reconstruction and Selection of displaced Vertices

Requirement :  $\chi^2 < 5$  for the generated and reconstructed vertices (not optimised)



Figure: Distribution of the difference in cm between the generated vertex and the reconstructed vertex along the x axis (on the left) and along the z axis (on the right)

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## For the BDT :

• Choice of training sample does not matter

For the Reconstruction of Secondary Vertices:

- $\textcircled{\ } 44\% \text{ vertex reconstruction efficiency with a good resolution}$
- Still need optimisation on the tracks used to build the vertices Future planned development:

Add Background tracks to the vertex reconstruction Test the vertex reconstruction on  $\Lambda$  baryons and  $K^0$  mesons Apply the track selection an vertex reconstruction to the Data of Run2 Possibility to use a neural network (instead of a BDT) for the track selection

### Thanks !!

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### Back-up

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#### BDT parameters used:

dataloader -> PrepareTrainingAndTestTree(mycuts, mycutb, "nTrain\_Signal = 10000 : nTrain\_Background = 10000 : SplitMode = Random : NormMode = NumEvents :!V"); factory -> BookMethod(dataloader, TMVA :: Types :: kBDT, "BDTG", "!H :!V : NTrees = 1000 : MinNodeSize = 2.5% : MaxDepth = 3 : BoostType = Grad : UseBaggedBoost = True : GradBaggingFraction = 0.6 : Shrinkage = 0.1 : SeparationType = Ginilndex : nCuts = 20 : UseYesNoLeaf = True : UseRandomisedTrees = False : DoBoostMonitor = True");

- mycuts, mycutsb : Possibilty to add cuts inside the TMVA (not done in our analysis)  $abs(eta) \leq 1.5$ 

- The number of Test events can also be given
- BDTG: "G" stands for Gradient.
- NTrees: Number of trees

- *MinNodeSize*, *GradBraggingFraction*, *Shrinkage*, *nCuts*, *SeparationType*, *UseYesNoLeaf*, *UseRandomisedTrees*, *DoBoostMonitor*: Good default value.

- *MaxDepth*: Keep it between 3 and 5 (according to TMVA guide user)

## Cross section region



## Impact parameters

#### Impact parameters definition :



- Extrapolation of the track and projection in the transverse plane
- d<sub>xy</sub> is defined as the distance between the nearest point of the extrapolated track from the interaction vertex
- $d_z$  is the distance along the beam axis for the given  $d_{xy}$

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## **Filters**

### ZMu filter :

- (1) Estimate the efficiency of reconstruction for muons from a Z boson
- (2) Calibrate the reconstruction of muons using real data

Tag muon	Probe muon				
• Muon from reconstructed muons collection	• Track from general Track collection (has to be a muon in our analysis)				
• $p_t > 28$ GeV	• $p_t > 10$ GeV				
• $ \eta  < 2.4$	$ullet \  \eta  < 2.4$				
	• Opposite charge from the tag muon				
+ Invariant Mass $>$ 60 GeV					

### $H_T$ filter on jets

 $H_T = \sum_{iets} p_t$  with  $H_T > 180$  GeV being required

 ${\sim}65\%$  of the initial events are selected

Classification of the variables according to their ROC integral (AUC Performance)

Parameter	bgctau10	Parameter	bgctau30	bgctau50	bgctau70
n_d10	0.227	n_d10	0.239	0.236	0.249
Sig <sub>dd</sub>	0.263	Sig <sub>dxy</sub>	0.261	0.252	0.248
n <sub>PixBar</sub>	0.271	Sig <sub>dd</sub>	0.263	0.276	0.292
n_d20	0.277	n_d20	0.293	0.295	0.306
Sig <sub>dz</sub>	0.295	n <sub>TIB</sub>	0.308	0.322	0.332
n <sub>Pix</sub>	0.312	isinjet <sub>AK4PF</sub>	0.309	0.296	0.297
n <sub>Pix</sub>	0.312	pt	0.317	0.306	0.310
n_d30	0.312	n_d30	0.325	0.329	0.336
Sig <sub>dxy</sub>	0.318	Sig <sub>dz</sub>	0.337	0.340	0.360
n <sub>TIB</sub>	0.323	n <sub>TOB</sub>	0.346	0.346	0.351
isinjet <sub>AK4PF</sub>	0.342	n_d40	0.352	0.356	0.360
n <sub>hit</sub>	0.346	n <sub>PixBar</sub>	0.358	0.397	0.419

#### From the list above:

- A dozen of the variables in the list are *supposed* to be correlated with the flight distance of the LLP (i.e: of the sample)
- No correlation are taken into account : information redundancy is expected for the BDT

# List of variables for which the sample $\beta \gamma c \tau 10$ is different from the other:

## Signal

- 3D distance between first hits (cm) (n\_d10, n\_d20,..)
- $\rho_{dd}$
- *ρ*<sub>dxy</sub>
- $\rho_{dz}$
- pix
- $r1_{\eta < 1.5}$
- $z1_{\eta>1.5}$

## Background

- 3D distance between first hits (cm) (n\_d10, n\_d20,..)
- $r1_{\eta < 1.5}$
- $z1_{\eta>1.5}$

## Overtraining example

- Less events in the Training sample (10k->3k)
- $\bullet$  Increase the depth of the tree (3->10)



#### others :



# ROC as a function of $\eta$ for 9 variables



## Table Performances AUC pour Training 10 et 30

Test/Training		bgctau10 (7V)	bgctau10 (nhits	s) bgctau10 (all)
bgctau10		0.856	0.859	0.859
bgctau30		0.866	0.871	0.869
b	gctau50	0.876	0.876 0.882	
b	gctau70	0.876	0.883	0.881
Average		0.8685	0.87375	0.8725
	Х	bgctau30 (7V)	$bgctau30$ ( $n_{hit}$ )	bgctau30 (all)
			0	
	bgctau10	0.846	0.85	0.849
	bgctau10 bgctau30	0.846 0.872	0.85 0.873	0.849 0.874
	bgctau10 bgctau30 bgctau50	0.846 0.872 0.883	0.85 0.873 0.885	0.849 0.874 0.886
	bgctau10 bgctau30 bgctau50 bgctau70	0.846 0.872 0.883 0.885	0.85 0.873 0.885 0.886	0.849 0.874 0.886 0.888

## AUC Performances for Training samples 50 and 70

	Х	bgctau50 (7V)	bgctau50 (n <sub>hit</sub> )	b	gctau50 (all)	
	bgctau10	0.847	0.853	0.	.851	
	bgctau30	0.872	0.876	0	.875	
	bgctau50	0.887	0.889	0	.89	
	bgctau70	0.888	0.89	0	.89	
	Average	0.8735	0.877	0	.8765	
	Х	bgctau70 (7V)	bgctau70 (n <sub>hit</sub> )	b	gctau70 (all)	
	bgctau10	0.845	0.852	0.	.851	
	bgctau30	0.869	0.874	0	.874	
	bgctau50	0.884	0.887	0	.888	
	bgctau70	0.89	0.892	0	.894	
	Average	0.872	0.87625	0	.87675	
Х		bgctauX0 (7V	) bgctauX0 ( <i>n<sub>hi</sub></i>	t)	bgctauX0 (a	II)
Global average		e 0.871375	0.875125		0.875	

## Variables dépendantes de la distance de vol



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#### n<sub>PixBar</sub> Signal and Bkg

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## n<sub>TOB</sub> Signal and Bkg

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### $\beta\gamma c\tau$ 50 : 1000 Arbres, 10k Training Signal events, 10k Training Bkg events



## Overtraining



• Training and Test samples are similar : small ovetraining https://root-forum.cern.ch/t/kolmogorov-smirnov-test-values/32868/3

## Correlation Matrices between the 8 final variables



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Paramètre	bgctau10	Paramètre	bgctau30	Paramètre	bgctau50	Paramètre	bgctau70
n_d10	0.227	n_d10	0.239	$Sig_{dd}$	0.276	$Sig_{dd}$	0.292
$Sig_{dd}$	0.263	$Sig_{dxy}$	0.261	n_d10	0.236	$Sig_{dxy}$	0.248
$n_{PixBar}$	0.271	$Sig_{dd}$	0.263	$Sig_{dxy}$	0.252	n_d10	0.249
n_d20	0.277	n_d20	0.293	n_d20	0.295	isinjet	0.297
$Sig_{dz}$	0.295	$n_{TIB}$	0.308	isinjet	0.296	n_d20	0.306
$n_{Pix}$	0.312	isinjet	0.309	$p_t$	0.306	$p_t$	0.310
$n_{Pix}$	0.312	$p_t$	0.317	$n_{TIB}$	0.322	$n_{TIB}$	0.332
n_d30	0.312	n_d30	0.325	$Sig_{dz}$	0.340	$n_{TOB}$	0.351
$Sig_{dxy}$	0.318	$Sig_{dz}$	0.337	n_d30	0.329	n_d30	0.336
$n_{TIB}$	0.323	$n_{TOB}$	0.346	$n_{TOB}$	0.346	$Sig_{dz}$	0.360
isinjet	0.342	n_d40	0.352	n_d40	0.356	n_d40	0.360
nhit	0.346	$n_{PixBar}$	0.358	n <sub>hit</sub>	0.373	$n_{hit}$	0.380
$p_t$	0.348	$n_{hit}$	0.361	n <sub>Strip</sub>	0.393	nStrip	0.394
n_d40	0.350	$n_{Strip}$	0.392	n <sub>PixBar</sub>	0.397	$n_{PixBar}$	0.419
n_10d20	0.379	n_10d20	0.397	n_10d20	0.417	$\rho_{dxy}$	0.422
$n_{TOB}$	0.385	$n_{Pix}$	0.410	$\rho_{dz}$	0.428	$\rho_{dz}$	0.422
n <sub>Strip</sub>	0.412	$n_{Pix}$	0.410	nPix	0.446	n_10d20	0.422
n_20d30	0.464	n_20d30	0.456	$n_{Pix}$	0.446	$\rho_{dd}$	0.459
n_30d40	0.508	$\rho_{dz}$	0.462	$\rho_{dxy}$	0.446	n_20d30	0.461
η	0.514	$\rho_{dxy}$	0.471	n_20d30	0.462	$n_{Pix}$	0.467
$n_{TEndC}$	0.521	η	0.511	$\rho_{dd}$	0.480	$n_{Pix}$	0.467
chi2	0.524	n_30d40	0.515	n_30d40	0.509	$\eta$	0.506
$n_{TID}$	0.525	$\rho_{dd}$	0.516	η	0.512	n_30d40	0.508
$\rho_{dz}$	0.553	chi2	0.525	chi2	0.524	r1	0.527
$\rho_{dxy}$	0.575	$n_{TID}$	0.544	$n_{TID}$	0.539	chi2	0.527
<b>n</b> <sub>TECH</sub>	0.582	$n_{TEndC}$	0.551	r1	0.550	$n_{TID}$	0.532
$\rho_{dd}$	0.598	r1	0.588	$n_{TEndC}$	0.552	$z1_{\eta > 1.5}$	0.548
n_40d	0.673	$n_{TECH}$	0.600	$r1_{n < 1.5}$	0.573	$r1_{n < 1.5}$	0.550
r1	0.687	$z1_{\eta > 1.5}$	0.607	$z1_{\eta > 1.5}$	0.579	$n_{TEndC}$	0.554
$r1_{\eta < 1.5}$	0.694	$r1_{\eta < 1.5}$	0.612	<b>n</b> TECH	0.593	$n_{TECH}$	0.585
z1	0.705	n_40d	0.648	n_40d	0.624	<b>z1</b>	0.612
$z 1_{\eta > 1.5}$	0.719	z1	0.666	z1	0.638	n_40d	0.614

TABLE 6.1 – Classement des observables selon leur intégrale ROC pour les 4 lots de simulation. (à noter :  $r1=\sqrt{x1^2+y1^2}$  distance entre deux premiers hits dans le plan transverse et TID : Inner Disk.

#### Correlation Matrix between the 27 initial variables for the signal



#### Correlation Matrix between the 27 initial variables for the background



## Reconstruction of displaced Vertices



tee\_Vtx\_mva\_LLP1\_NCh2 (tee\_Vtx\_mva\_LLP1\_nTrixx=268tree\_Vtx\_mva\_LLP1\_NCh2>668tree\_passesHTFiter68tree\_Vtx\_mva\_LLP1\_NCh2<20)

## Reconstruction of displaced Vertices in the y axis



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# Reconstruction of displaced Vertices with and without BDT along $\times$



# Reconstruction of displaced Vertices with and without BDT along $\boldsymbol{z}$



# Reconstruction of displaced Vertices without chi2 along ${\sf x}$ and ${\sf z}$ with BDT



# Reconstruction of displaced Vertices without chi2 along ${\sf x}$ and ${\sf z}$ without BDT



## RPV couplings in the superpotential

$$W = W_{MSSM} + W_{RPV}$$

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

- i, j, k going from 1 to 3 indicating the generation family
- <sup>c</sup> : Charge Conjugate
- $L_i$ ,  $Q_j$  et  $H_u$  are respectively the lepton, the quark and the up-Higgs SU(2) doublets superfields
- $E_i$  et  $D_i$  are respectively the lepton and the quark SU(2) singlets.
- $\epsilon_i, \lambda_{ijk}, \lambda'_{ijk}$  and  $\lambda''_{ijk}$  are dimensionless RPV couplings
- $\bullet$  Only the trilinear coupling  $\lambda_{312}^{''}$  is considered to be different from 0
- Only this coupling allows a top in the final state as well as the decay of a stop into quarks.

## RPV couplings in the superpotential

The boosting procedure is now employed to adjust the parameters P such that the deviation between the model response F(x) and the true value y obtained from the training sample is minimised. The deviation is measured by the so-called loss-function L(F, y), a popular choice being squared error loss L(F, y) =  $(F(x)y)^2$ . It can be shown that the loss function fully determines the boosting procedure. The GradientBoost algorithm attempts to cure this weakness by allowing for other, potentially more robust, loss functions without giving up on the good out-of-the-box performance of AdaBoost. The current TMVA implementation of GradientBoost uses the binomial log-likelihood loss L(F, y) = In $(1 + e^{2F(x)y})$ , for classification. As the boosting algorithm corresponding to this loss function cannot be obtained in a straightforward manner, one has to resort to a steepest-descent approach to do the minimisation. This is done by calculating the current gradient of the loss function and then growing a regression tree whose leaf values are adjusted to match the mean value of the gradient in each region defined by the tree structure. Iterating this procedure yields the desired set of decision trees which minimises the loss function. Note that GradientBoost can be adapted to any loss function as long as the calculation of the gradient is feasible.

Resampling includes the possibility of replacement, which means that the same event is allowed to be (randomly) picked several times from the parent sample. This is equivalent to regarding the training sample as being a representation of the probability density distribution of the parent sample: indeed, if one draws an event out of the parent sample, it is more likely to draw an event from a region of phase-space that has a high probability density, as the original data sample will have more events in that region. If a selected event is kept in the original sample (that is when the same event can be selected several times), the parent sample remains unchanged so that the randomly extracted samples will have the same parent distribution, albeit statistically fluctuated. Training several classifiers with different resampled training data, and combining them into a collection, results in an averaged classifier that, just as for boosting, is more stable with respect to statistical fluctuations in the training sample.

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# Tracking in CMS

## **1.EXPERIMENT** & SOFTWARE



\* Tracking Region : Cylindre in which we expect to have the point of closest approach of the seed

# New Tracking Iteration : DisplacedGeneralStep



Triplets **Outer Tracker** 

- Seeds TIB + TID + TOB
  - + TEC ring 5-7

#### Track Building :

- Max fraction shared = 0.25
- Allow shared first hits

Tracking Region:

- OriginHalfLength = 55 cm
- OriginRadius = 10 cm
- ptMin = 1 GeV

#### Quality Cuts :

- Max lost hits = 1
- Min number of hits = 8
- Max Chi2 = 10

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#### Along beam axis



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Figure 7: Mean flight distance of the neutralino in the laboratory frame as a function of neutralino and squark mass, and according to different values of  $\lambda''$  coupling.

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**Figure 6**: Mean value of the Lorentz factor  $\beta \cdot \gamma$  for the flying neutralinos in the both production cases.