Electroweak contributions to squarks and gluinos production processes at the LHC

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Squark and Gluino production – LO

QCD based, of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$, known since many years

[Kane & Leveille '82; Harrison & Llewellyn Smith '83; Reya & Roy '85; Dawson, Eichten, Quigg '85; Baer & Tata '85]

Different processes (and different channels):



- Comments:
 - Stops and sbottoms experimentally distinguishable
 - Other squarks have to be considered inclusively

Squark and Gluino production – NLO QCD

• NLO QCD corrrections, of $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$, computed ten years ago

[Beenakker, Höpker, Spira, Zerwas '96 '97] & [Beenakker, Krämer, Plehn, Spira, Zerwas '98]

• Different contributions *e.g.* in the $\tilde{q}\tilde{q}^*$ production:



- Comments:
 - real emission treated fully inclusively
 - proper subtraction of resonant contributions
 - total cross section @ NLO QCD implemented in publicly available code

[PROSPINO, Beenakker, Höpker & Spira, '97]

Squark and Gluino production – NLO QCD

Some results:





NLO QCD corrections:

- reduced scale dependence
- important in the total rate
- negligible in (properly normalized) distributions



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- Contributions from photon-induced processes:



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- Divergences within DREG, $\Delta = 2/\epsilon \gamma + \ln 4\pi$
- \overline{MS} (DREG + UV poles subtraction) if light particles in loops
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- Definition of $\delta \hat{g}_s$:
 - Owing to SUSY should be a dependent parameter $\hookrightarrow \hat{g}_s = g_s; \quad \delta \hat{g}_s = \delta g_s$
 - But DREG spoils SUSY @ NLO [Beenakker et al.'96,98]

 \hookrightarrow SUSY restored setting: $\hat{g}_s = g_s + g_s \frac{\alpha_s}{3\pi}; \quad \delta \hat{g}_s = \delta g_s$

• The mismatch between g_s and \hat{g}_s is reabsorbed into $\delta \hat{g}_s$:

$$\hookrightarrow \hat{g}_s = g_s; \qquad \delta \hat{g}_s = \delta g_s + g_s \frac{\alpha_s}{3\pi}$$

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 $\begin{aligned} \text{after diagonalization} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_{\tilde{q}_1} \\ \Phi_{\tilde{q}_2} \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} c_{\theta\tilde{q}} & s_{\theta\tilde{q}} \\ -s_{\theta\tilde{q}} & c_{\theta\tilde{q}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_{\tilde{q}_L} \\ \Phi_{\tilde{q}_R} \end{pmatrix} \\ \mathbf{M}^2_{\tilde{q}} &= \begin{pmatrix} c_{\theta\tilde{q}}^2 m_{\tilde{q},1}^2 + s_{\theta\tilde{q}}^2 m_{\tilde{q},2}^2 & c_{\theta\tilde{q}}s_{\theta\tilde{q}}(m_{\tilde{q},1}^2 - m_{\tilde{q},2}^2) \\ c_{\theta\tilde{q}}s_{\theta\tilde{q}}(m_{\tilde{q},1}^2 - m_{\tilde{q},2}^2) & c_{\theta\tilde{q}}^2 m_{\tilde{q},2}^2 + s_{\theta\tilde{q}}^2 m_{\tilde{q},1}^2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$

SO one can choose different independent set:

- $\{m_{\tilde{t},1}, m_{\tilde{t},2}, m_{\tilde{b},2}, \theta_{\tilde{t}}, \theta_{\tilde{b}} \}$
- $\{m_{\tilde{t},1}, m_{\tilde{t},2}, m_{\tilde{b},2}, \theta_{\tilde{t}}, A_{\tilde{b}}\}$

⊾...

" $m_b \overline{\mathsf{DR}}$ scheme": $\{m_{\tilde{t},1}, m_{\tilde{t},2}, m_{\tilde{b},2}, \theta_{\tilde{t}}, A_{\tilde{b}}\}$

Stop sector

reparametrizing:

 $m_{\tilde{t},i}^2 \to m_{\tilde{t},i}^2 + \delta m_{\tilde{t},i}^2; \quad \theta_{\tilde{t}} \to \theta_{\tilde{t}} + \delta \theta_{\tilde{t}}; \quad \left(\begin{array}{c} \Phi_{\tilde{t},1} \\ \Phi_{\tilde{t},2} \end{array} \right) \to \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\begin{array}{c} \delta Z_{1,1}^{\tilde{t}} & \delta Z_{1,2}^{\tilde{t}} \\ \delta Z_{2,1}^{\tilde{t}} & \delta Z_{2,2}^{\tilde{t}} \end{array} \right) \right] \left(\begin{array}{c} \Phi_{\tilde{t},1} \\ \Phi_{\tilde{t},2} \end{array} \right)$

• $\delta m_{\tilde{t},i}^2$ and $\delta Z_{i,i}^{\tilde{t}}$ are fixed in the *on-shell* scheme

$$\frac{\tilde{t}_{i}}{p} \longrightarrow \sum_{i=1}^{\tilde{t}_{i}} = \frac{i}{p^{2} - m_{\tilde{t},i}^{2}} + \frac{i}{p^{2} - m_{\tilde{t},i}^{2}} \hat{\Sigma}_{i,i}(p^{2}) \frac{i}{p^{2} - m_{\tilde{t},i}^{2}} \stackrel{!}{=} \frac{i}{p^{2} - m_{\tilde{t},i}^{2}} p^{2} \to m_{\tilde{t},i}^{2};$$

$$[\hat{\Sigma}_{i,i} = \Sigma_{i,i} + (p^{2} - m_{\tilde{t},i}^{2})\delta Z_{i,i}^{\tilde{t}} - \delta m_{\tilde{t},i}^{2}]$$

• $\delta Z_{i,j}^{\tilde{t}}$ and $\delta \theta_{\tilde{t}}$ imposing zero squark mixing on-shell:

 $\xrightarrow{\tilde{t}_1} \cdots \xrightarrow{\tilde{t}_2} \cdots \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \qquad \text{if } p^2 \to m^2_{\tilde{t},1} \text{ or } p^2 \to m^2_{\tilde{t},2}$

• $\delta A_{\tilde{t}}$ dependent, function of $\delta \mu$, $\delta \tan \beta$, $\underline{\delta m_t}$ [on shell scheme]

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- $\delta m_{\tilde{b},2}^2$ and $\delta Z_{i,j}^{\tilde{b}}$ fixed as in the \tilde{t} case.
- $\delta A_{\tilde{b}}$ defined imposing:



- Divergences wthin DRED; $\Delta = 2/\epsilon \gamma + \ln 4\pi$
- DR scheme (DRED + UV poles subtraction)
- $\delta\theta_{\tilde{b}}$ dependent, function of $\delta\mu$, $\delta \tan\beta$, δm_t , $\underline{\delta m_b}$ [fixed via the $\overline{\text{DR}}$ prescription]
- Difference beetween stops and sbottoms ... Why?

A good reason: M_{h^0} including dominant two loops contribution:



• m_b OS scheme: sbottoms treated as stops

• $A_{\tilde{b}}$ dependent and: $\frac{\delta A_{\tilde{b}}}{A_{\tilde{b}}} \sim \frac{\delta m_b}{m_b} \frac{A_{\tilde{b}} - \mu \tan \beta}{A_{\tilde{b}}} \sim \alpha_s \frac{m_{\tilde{g}}}{m_b} \frac{A_{\tilde{b}} - \mu \tan \beta}{A_{\tilde{b}}}$ $\hookrightarrow \delta A_b \sim A_b$ if $\tan \beta$ big $(\delta A_{\tilde{b}} \sim 3A_{\tilde{b}})$ if $\tan \beta = 50$) $\hookrightarrow m_b$ OS scheme not reliable.

IR & Collinear Divergences



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 IR & Collinear singularities in $q\overline{q} \rightarrow \tilde{Q}^a \tilde{Q}^{a*} \gamma$



$$\rightarrow$$
 IR & Collinear singularities in $q\overline{q} \rightarrow \tilde{Q}^a \tilde{Q}^{a*} g$



Collinear singularities in
$$qg \rightarrow \tilde{Q}^a \tilde{Q}^{a*} q$$

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- Two methods [†] to <u>extract</u> singularities from γ (g) phase space integration:
 - Phase Space Slicing
 - Dipole Subtraction
- Singular contributions known analitically and numerics involve regular functions.

more on this upon request

- Slicing & Subtraction
 - Two completely different approaches to the problem
 - Their comparison is a non trivial check for IR treatment
- Result of the comparison for the process $u\overline{u} \rightarrow \tilde{u}^L \tilde{u}^{L*} \gamma$



 $\Delta = (\text{Dipole} - \text{Slicing}), \text{ point SPS1a'}$

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- Chirality-Dependent
 - bigger corrections in the left-handed case
 - $q\bar{q} \otimes \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2 \alpha)$ comparable with $q\bar{q} \otimes \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha + \alpha^2)$ (left-handed case)
 - \blacksquare different behaviour in the low p_T region

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- Flavour-Dependent
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 $PP \rightarrow \tilde{u}^L \tilde{u}^{L*}$ $PP \rightarrow \tilde{c}^L \tilde{c}^{L*}$ 20 10 0 [%] [%] ∞ -20 -400 500 1000 1500 500 1000 1500 0 р_т [GeV] p_{_} [GeV]

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 - PDF convolution spoils such relation
 - @ hadron level, different behaviour in the high energy region



Fully inclusive transverse momentum distribution

EW corrections – Relative contributions



Total Cross Section Vs Squark and / or Gluino masses



Conclusions & Outlook

- TeV-scale SUSY will be probed at the LHC
- Direct prodution of squarks and gluinos important discovery channels
- NLO QCD corrections to these processes:
 - sizable
 - publicly available
- NLO EW contributions to these processes:
 - under investigation
 - do not affect the total cross section
 - can be important in the high energy region

Road map:

- Compute the processes which are still missing.
 - $\tilde{q}\tilde{q}'$ production \rightarrow w.i.p.
 - non-diagonal $\tilde{q}\tilde{q}'^*$ production \rightarrow on the wish list
- Merge EW corrections with the NLO QCD ones.

Backup Slides

Phase Space Slicing & Dipole

Consider the process $q \ \bar{q} \ o \ ilde{Q}^a \ ilde{Q}^{a*} \ \gamma$

 $\sigma_{q\overline{q}\to\tilde{Q}^a\tilde{Q}^{a*}\gamma} = \int \qquad d\Phi_3 \ |\mathcal{M}|^2$

 $d\phi_3$ = phase space measure

Phase Space Slicing & Dipole

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- Phase Space Slicing. The photon phase space is divided into two parts introducing cuts:
 - regular region integrated numerically
 - singular region eikonal approximation after mass regularization
 - Remarks:
 - + Intutive method
 - Cuts have to be small (eikonal approximation) ...
 - ... But not too much (numerical instabilities)

Phase Space Slicing & Dipole

Consider the process $q \ \bar{q} \rightarrow \tilde{Q}^a \ \tilde{Q}^{a*} \gamma$ $\sigma_{q\bar{q}\rightarrow\tilde{Q}^a\tilde{Q}^{a*}\gamma} = \int d\Phi_3 \left[|\mathcal{M}|^2 - |\mathcal{M}_{sub}|^2 \right] + \int d\Phi_3 |\mathcal{M}_{sub}|^2$ exactly computed $d\phi_3 = \text{phase space measure}$

• Subtraction method. Add and subtract a function \mathcal{M}_{sub} such that

- i) \mathcal{M}_{sub} and \mathcal{M} have same singularity structure
- ii) $\mathcal{M}_{\mathsf{sub}}$ easy enough to be analitically computed
- ${\scriptstyle {\small \ \, {\small \textit{ \textit{ \textit{ J}}}}}}\ (|\mathcal{M}_{{\scriptscriptstyle {\textrm{sub}}}}|^2-|\mathcal{M}|^2)$ is regular and evaluated numerically
- $\int d\Phi_3 |\mathcal{M}_{sub}|^2$ exactly evaluated (after mass regularization)
- Remarks:
 - + All numerics involve regular functions
 - + No cut off are needed
 - + leads to more precise results

Gluon emission & color algebra

Caveat Gluon carries charge \Rightarrow color correlation after gluon emission. \hookrightarrow Color algebra has to be considered when extracting singularities

consider the colored amplitudes

$$\mathcal{M}_{g}^{c_{q} c_{\bar{q}} c_{\bar{Q}} c_{\bar{Q}^{*}}} = \mathcal{M}_{Z}^{c_{q} c_{\bar{q}} c_{\bar{Q}} c_{\bar{Q}^{*}}} = \mathcal{M}_{Z}^{c_{q} c_{\bar{Q}} c_{\bar{Q}^{*}}} = \mathcal{M}_{Z}^{c_{q} c_{\bar{Q}^{*}} c_{\bar{Q}^{*}}}$$

so in the soft limit we have:

 \hookrightarrow In case of g emission amplitudes with different color structure interfere.