(N)LO Simulations of Chargino Production and Decay

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Charginos and Neutralinos in the MSSM

Chargino and Neutralino sector in the MSSM: Reconstruction of SUSY parameters

- Charginos χ_i[±] and Neutralinos χ_i⁰ in the MSSM: superpositions of gauge and Higgs boson superpartners
- Chargino/ Neutralino sector: SUSY parameters at electroweak scale

 $\tan\beta,\,\mu$ (Higgs sector), $\textit{M}_{1},\,\textit{M}_{2}(\text{soft breaking terms})$

can be reconstructed from

masses of $\tilde{\chi}_1^{\pm}, \, \tilde{\chi}_2^{\pm}, \, \tilde{\chi}_1^{0}$, 2 σ in the $\tilde{\chi}^{\pm}$ sector

(Choi ea 98, 00, 01)

- low-scale parameters + evolution to high scales (RGEs): \Rightarrow hint at SUSY breaking mechanism (Blair ea, 02)
- requires high precision in ew-scale parameter determination

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Monte Carlo Event Generators

MC event generators: How do they work ??

- *m* → *n* particle process: in phase space Γ_n, 3 n − 4 independent variables x_i define "event"
- determine random values for x_i (within allowed regions), calculate dσ(x_i) ("weight" of event)
- for event simulation, calculate relative probability $p_{\text{evt}} = \frac{d\sigma(x_i)}{d\sigma_{\max}}$ ("unweigthing")
- hit-and-miss technique: take $r \in [0,1]$, accept event if $p \geq r$
- in practice: more sophisticated adaption methods for most MC generators

"unweighting" requires $p \ge 0$!

(not always fulfilled for NLO calculations, $O(\alpha)$ corrections $\propto \ln(k_0)$ can be solved by resumming all orders)



Chargino production at the ILC

In the following:

- Show results for NLO Event Generation for chargino production
- Show (**preliminary**) results for LO production and decay with SM/ MSSM background



Chargino production at the ILC

The process: Chargino production at the ILC

- ILC: future e^+e^- collider, $\sqrt{s} = 500 \,\text{GeV} (1 \,\text{TeV})$ "clean" environment, low backgrounds \Rightarrow precision-machine, errors $\mathcal{O}(\%_0)$
- Charginos: (typically) light in the MSSM \Rightarrow easily accessible at colliders (ILC/ LHC) \Leftarrow
- LO production at the ILC:



decays: typically long decay chains

e.g.
$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \widetilde{\chi}_1^+ \widetilde{\chi}_1^- \rightarrow \widetilde{\tau}_1^+ \widetilde{\tau}_1^- \nu_\tau \, \bar{\nu_\tau} \left(\rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^- \nu_\tau \, \bar{\nu_\tau} \, \widetilde{\chi}_1^0 \, \widetilde{\chi}_1^0 \right)$$

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Part I: Inclusion of NLO results in WHIZARD

based on hep-ph/0607127 (Kilian ea), hep-ph/0610401 (TR)



NLO cross section contributions

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$\sigma_{\rm tot}$ contributions and dependencies:

- $\sigma_{\rm born}$
- virtual $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ corrections: $\sigma_{\text{virt}}(\lambda)$
- emission of soft/ hard collinear/ hard non-collinear photons:

 $\sigma_{\mathsf{soft}}(\Delta E_{\gamma}, \lambda) + \sigma_{\mathsf{hc}}(\Delta E_{\gamma}, \Delta \theta_{\gamma}) + \sigma_{2 \to 3}(\Delta E_{\gamma}, \Delta \theta_{\gamma})$

• higher order initial state radiation: $\sigma_{\text{ISR}} - \sigma_{\text{ISR}}^{\mathcal{O}(\alpha)}(Q)$ λ : photon mass , ΔE_{γ} : soft cut , $\Delta \theta_{\gamma}$: collinear angle

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Photons: fixed order vs resummation

Including FormCalc $\mathcal{O}(lpha)$ results in WHIZARD (1)

 inclusion in WHIZARD : split photon phase space for real photon into soft/ hard-collinear/ hard non-collinear region:

$$\sigma_{\text{Born}+\gamma} = \sigma_{\text{soft}} + \sigma_{\text{hard, coll}} + \sigma_{\text{hard,noncoll}}$$

soft photons (E_γ ≤ ΔE_γ): use soft photon approximation, add to virtual contribution (⇒ cancellation of IR divergencies):
 ⇒ integrate over effective matrix element in Γ₂:

$$\sigma_{\text{Born}} + \sigma_{\text{virt}}(\lambda) + \sigma_{\text{soft}}(\Delta E_{\gamma}, \lambda) = \int d\Gamma_2 |\mathcal{M}_{\text{eff}}|^2 (\Delta E_{\gamma})$$
$$\mathcal{M}_{\text{eff}}|^2 (\Delta E_{\gamma}) = (1 + f_s(\Delta E_{\gamma}, \lambda)) |\mathcal{M}_{\text{born}}|^2 + 2 \operatorname{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{\text{born}} \mathcal{M}_{\text{virt}}^*(\lambda))$$

 ΔE_{γ} : soft photon cut, λ : photon mass

Photons: fixed order vs resummation

Including FormCalc $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ results in WHIZARD (2)

 hard collinear photons: E_γ > Δ E_γ, θ_γ ≤ Δ θ_γ use hard collinear approximation (Dittmaier ea, 1993):

$$\begin{split} \sigma_{\text{hard, coll}} &= \int_{\text{hard, coll}} d\Gamma_3 |\mathcal{M}_{2 \to 3}|^2 \\ &\longrightarrow \int d\Gamma_2 \int_0^{x_0} dx_i f_{\pm}(x_i) |\mathcal{M}_{\text{Born}}^{(\pm)}|^2(x_i, s), \end{split}$$

 $x_i \colon$ energy fraction of incoming fermion after photon radiation integrate in Γ_2

• hard, non-collinear photons: calculated exactly using $\mathcal{M}_{(2\to 3)}$ generated by separate WHIZARD run using Γ_3



Photons: fixed order vs resummation

Fixed order method: Drawback

- Drawback: $|\mathcal{M}_{eff}|^2 < 0$ for small values of $\frac{\Delta E_{\gamma}}{\sqrt{s}}$
- well-known problem at LEP
- \bullet ad hoc solution: set $|\mathcal{M}_{eff}|^2\,=\,0$ for these cases
- too low energy cuts: $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ not sufficient, leads to "wrong" $\sigma_{\rm tot}$

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• remark: event generator specific problem ($\sigma_{\rm tot}$ \geq 0)

Photons: fixed order vs resummation

Resumming leading logs to all orders

solution to fixed order drawback:

 \Rightarrow resumm respective contributions to all orders \Leftarrow

in practice: subtract O(α) soft + virtual collinear contributions in M_{eff}:

$$\begin{split} |\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathsf{eff}}|^2 &= \left. \left(1 + f_{\mathsf{s}}(\Delta E_{\gamma}) \right) |\mathcal{M}_{\mathsf{born}}|^2 \, + \, 2 \, \mathsf{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathsf{born}} \, \mathcal{M}_{\mathsf{virt}}^*) \right. \\ &- \left. 2 \, f_{\mathsf{s}}^{\mathit{ISR},\mathcal{O}(\alpha)}(\Delta E_{\gamma}) \, |\mathcal{M}_{\mathsf{born}}|^2 \end{split}$$

add the resummed contribution by folding with ISR structure function:

$$\int d\Gamma \int_0^1 dx_1 \int_0^1 dx_2 f^{\mathsf{ISR}}(x_1) f^{\mathsf{ISR}}(x_2) |\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathsf{eff}}|^2(s, x_i)$$

f^{ISR}(x): Initial state radiation (Jadach, Skrzypek, Z.Phys. 1991), describes collinear (real + virtual) photons in leading log accuracy
 f^{ISR,O(α)}: soft integrated O(α) contribution

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Results

Results: cross sections



agrees with results in the literature (Fritzsche ea, Öller ea)

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Results

A closer look: ΔE_{γ} dependence of σ_{tot}



resummation includes higher order effects, 5% difference to 'sa' for $\Delta E_{\gamma} \leq 10 \, {\rm GeV}$

In summary:

shift in ΔE_{γ} leads to % effects, match ILC accuracy \Rightarrow careful choice of ΔE_{γ} , method important____

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Results: simulated events

simulation results: angular distributions



Born, fixed order, resummation

!! more than 1 σ deviation !! $\sqrt{n_{\max}} \approx O(10^2)$; nbins = 20

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Part II: Production and decay at leading order (Status report)



Signal and (MS)SM backgrounds

- \bullet Charginos: unstable particles \Rightarrow also consider decays
- here: leptonic decay mode

$$e^+ e^- \longrightarrow \widetilde{\chi}_1^+ \widetilde{\chi}_1^- \longrightarrow \widetilde{\chi}_1^0 \widetilde{\chi}_1^0 e^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu \bar{\nu}_e$$

signal: $e^- \mu^+ + \mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{miss}}$

• main SM backgrounds: (W (pair)production, τ pair production)

$$e^+e^- ~~ \longrightarrow~~$$
 anything $~~ e^-\,\mu^+\,
u_\mu\,ar
u_e\,(
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• main SUSY backgrounds

$$e^+e^- \longrightarrow$$
 anything $\longrightarrow \widetilde{\chi}^0_1 \widetilde{\chi}^0_1 e^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu \, \bar{\nu}_e \, (\nu_\tau \, \bar{\nu}_\tau)$

reducible/ irreducible background

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Point SPS1a'

- mSUGRA scenario
- according to Snowmass Points (Allanach ea, 02), in agreement with cosmology data/ WMAP ($\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ as DM candidate)



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Signal and background: Total cross sections

For SPS1a',
$$\sqrt{s}\,=\,500\,{
m GeV}$$

$$\begin{split} \sigma_{\text{signal}} &= (3.08 \pm 0.08)\,\text{fb} & \widetilde{\chi}^{\pm} \text{ production and decay} \\ \sigma_{\text{SM, 4}} &= (150.11 \pm 0.38)\,\text{fb} & W \text{ pair production} \\ \sigma_{\text{SM,6}} &\sim 14\,\text{fb} & \tau \text{ pair production (*)} \\ \sigma_{\text{SUSY, tot}} &= (4.69 \pm 0.01)\,\text{fb} & \text{signal + irreducible background} \\ \sigma_{\text{SUSY, 8}} &= (4.22 \pm 0.02)\,\text{fb} & \text{reducible, $\widetilde{\tau}$ pair production (*)} \end{split}$$

(*): processes not yet included in analysis (remember the "preliminary")

SUSY/ background: 3 %, 70 % of SUSY signal from $\tilde{\chi}^{\pm}$ production



Energy distributions w/o cuts





single and combined lepton energies, no cuts dominated by *W* production signal, add background (SUSY)

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Results including cuts

Cross sections including cuts

Include cuts on lepton energies and emission angles:

$$\cos heta_e \stackrel{!}{<} 0.5, E(e) \stackrel{!}{<} 150 \text{GeV}, E(\mu) \stackrel{!}{<} 150 \text{GeV}, \cos heta_{e,\mu} \stackrel{!}{\geq} 0.5$$

σ_{signal}	$(3.08 \pm 0.08){ m fb}$	\longrightarrow	(1.83 ± 0.05) fb
$\sigma_{\rm SM, 4}$	$(150.11 \pm 0.38) { m fb}$	\longrightarrow	(3.59 ± 0.66) fb,
$\sigma_{\rm SUSY, tot}$	$(4.69 \pm 0.01){ m fb}$	\longrightarrow	(2.44 ± 0.05) fb

SUSY/ background: 68 % (3 %), 75 % of SUSY signal from $\tilde{\chi}^{\pm}$ production (70 %)

Cuts significantly reduce SM background still large number of events ($\int \mathcal{L} = 1 ab^{-1}$).

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 $\widetilde{\chi}^{\pm}$ and $\widetilde{
u}$ mass determination

$\widetilde{\chi}^{\pm}$ and $\widetilde{ u}$ mass determination (1)

• SPS1a': $\widetilde{\chi}_1^\pm$ and $\widetilde{\nu}_{\rm e}$ nearly mass degenerate

$$m_{\widetilde{\chi}^{\pm}} = 183.67 \, {
m GeV}, \; m_{\widetilde{
u}} = 173.52 \, {
m GeV}$$

- $\tilde{\nu}$ decays to $\tilde{\chi}^0, \ \nu$: can only be observed indirectly
- determination from lepton energy (Freitas ea, 05):

$$m_{\widetilde{\chi}^{\pm}} = \sqrt{s} \, rac{\sqrt{E_{\min} E_{\max}}}{E_{\min} + E_{\max}}, \ m_{\widetilde{\nu}} = m_{\widetilde{\chi}^{\pm}} \sqrt{1 - rac{2(E_{\min} + E_{\max})}{\sqrt{s}}},$$

 $E_{\min, \max}$: edges of lepton energy distributions; $\tilde{\chi}_1^{\pm}$, $\tilde{\nu}_e$ are assumed onshell

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 $\widetilde{\chi}^{\pm}$ and $\widetilde{
u}$ mass determination

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$\widetilde{\chi}^{\pm}$ and $\widetilde{ u}$ mass determination (2)

read off:

$$E_{min} = 4.33 \pm 1.73 \,\mathrm{GeV}, \ E_{max} = 25.13 \pm 1.73 \,\mathrm{GeV}.$$

$$egin{array}{rcl} m_{\widetilde{\chi}^{\pm}} &=& 177.04 \,\pm\, 2.91 \, {
m GeV} \, (183.67), \ m_{\widetilde{
u}} &=& 166.28 \,\pm\, 2.74 \, {
m GeV} \, (173.52) \end{array}$$

• too low !! taking masses as input, obtain:

$$E_{min} = 4.32 \,\mathrm{GeV}, \ E_{max} = 22.54 \,\mathrm{GeV}$$

- \bullet read off maximal energy $E_{
 m max}\,=\,25.13\,\pm\,1.73\,{
 m GeV}$ too large
- offshell effect; still needs further investigation (work in progress)
- take $m_{\tilde{\chi}^{\pm}}$ from threshold scan:

$$m_{ ilde{
u}}~=~172.51~\pm~2.74\,{
m GeV}$$
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Turn on initial state radiation and beamstrahlung

$\sigma_{\sf signal}$	$(1.83 \pm 0.05) \mathrm{fb}$	\longrightarrow	(1.54 ± 0.04) fb,
$\sigma_{\rm SM, 4}$	(3.59 ± 0.66) fb	\longrightarrow	(5.76 ± 0.08) fb
$\sigma_{\rm SUSY, tot}$	(2.44 ± 0.05) fb	\longrightarrow	(2.13 ± 0.05) fb

SM background enhanced, SUSY/ background: $37\%(68\%) \Rightarrow$ still large



signal, background (SUSY) mass determination: $E_{\min, \max}$ as before same conclusions \sqrt{s} and parameter point dependent !!



Summary and Outlook

- Chargino/ neutralino sector of MSSM: high precision in SUSY paramater analysis at EW scale (% at ILC)
- same size/ larger NLO corrections
- \Rightarrow include NLO results in Monte Carlo Event generators
 - successfull inclusion for NLO $e^+e^- o \widetilde{\chi}^+ \widetilde{\chi}^-$ in <code>WHIZARD</code>
 - resummation method for photons evades negative weight problem
 - NLO as well as higher order contributions significant !!
 - started to look at phenomenology of full process at LO including ISR and beamstrahlung
 - clear SUSY signal, mass determination for $\tilde{\nu}$ possible
 - however: some dominant background missing
 - offshell effects on mass determination still need investigation

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MSSM addenda

Superpotential and breaking parts

Superpotential in MSSM

$$W = \bar{u}y_u QH_u - \bar{d}y_d QH_d - \bar{e}y_e LH_d + \mu H_u H_d$$

soft SUSY breaking terms, gauge sector

$$\frac{1}{2}(M_1\widetilde{B}\widetilde{B}+M_2\widetilde{W}^a\widetilde{W}^a+M_3\widetilde{g}\widetilde{g})+h.c.$$

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MSSM addenda

Mass unification in mSUGRA and GMSB



More results

cut dependencies: $\Delta \theta_{\gamma}$

tests: collinear photon approximation



 σ_{tot} again larger for resummation method for higher angles: second order ISR effects between 0.05° and 0.1° $(\mathcal{O}(\%))$

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More results

Angular distribution: Do we see $|\mathcal{M}|^2 < 0$ effects ?? (\checkmark)

 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Reminder:} \\ |\mathcal{M}_{eff}|^2 & \mbox{behaviour} \\ (\Delta E_{low} = 0.5 \mbox{ GeV}): \end{array}$

angular distribution:









More results

Angular distributions: higher orders



 N_{res}^+ : resummation, additionaly 2 \rightarrow 3 folded w ISR; most complete also higher order contributions statistically significant



photon approximations

η , f_s , hard collinear approximation, $ISR^{\mathcal{O}(\alpha)}$

•
$$\eta = \frac{2\alpha}{\pi} \left(\log \left(\frac{Q^2}{m_e^2} \right) - 1 \right) \quad (Q = \text{scale of process})$$

• $f_s = -\frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \sum_{i,j=e^{\pm}} \int_{|\mathbf{k}| \le \Delta \mathbf{E}} \frac{d^3k}{2\omega_k} \frac{(\pm) p_i p_j Q_i Q_j}{p_i k p_j k},$
 $\omega_k = \sqrt{\mathbf{k}^2 + \lambda^2}, p_i \text{ initial/ final state momenta, } k: \gamma$
(Denner 1992)

momentum

• hard collinear factor (\pm helicity conserving/ flipping):

$$f^{+}(x) = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{1+x^2}{(1-x)} \left(\ln\left(\frac{s(\Delta\theta)^2}{4m^2}\right) - 1 \right), f^{-}(x) = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} x.$$
(Dittmaier 1993)

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$$f_{s}^{ISR,\mathcal{O}(\alpha)} = \left[\int_{x_{0}}^{1} f_{ISR}(x) dx\right]_{\mathcal{O}(\alpha)} = \frac{\eta}{4} \left(2\ln(1-x_{0}) + x_{0} + \frac{1}{2}x_{0}^{2}\right)$$

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soft region effects

ISR in its full beauty (Skrzypek ea, 91)

$$\begin{split} \Gamma_{ee}^{LL}(x,Q^2) &= \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\eta\gamma_E + \frac{3}{8}\eta\right)}{\Gamma(1+\frac{\eta}{2})} \frac{\eta}{2} (1-x)^{\left(\frac{\eta}{2}-1\right)} \\ &- \frac{\eta}{4} (1+x) + \frac{\eta^2}{16} \left(-2 (1-x) \log(1-x) - \frac{2\log x}{1-x} + \frac{3}{2} (1+x) \log x - \frac{x}{2} \right) \\ &- \frac{5}{2} + \left(\frac{\eta}{2}\right)^3 \left[-\frac{1}{2} (1+x) \left(\frac{9}{32} - \frac{\pi^2}{12} + \frac{3}{4} \log(1-x) + \frac{1}{2} \log^2(1-x) \right) \right. \\ &- \frac{1}{4} \log x \log(1-x) + \frac{1}{16} \log^2 x - \frac{1}{4} \text{Li}_2(1-x) \right) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \frac{1+x^2}{1-x} \left(-\frac{3}{8} \log x + \frac{1}{12} \log^2 x - \frac{1}{2} \log x \log(1-x)\right) \\ &- \frac{1}{4} (1-x) \left(\log(1-x) + \frac{1}{4}\right) + \frac{1}{32} (5-3x) \log x\right] ; \eta = \frac{2\alpha}{\pi} \left(\log\left(\frac{Q^2}{m_e^2}\right) - 1 \right) \end{split}$$

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