





# Search for SUperSYmmetry



## **SUPERSYMMETRY**

Symmetry between fermions (matter) and bosons (forces)

for each particle p with spin s, there exists a SUSY partner  $\tilde{p}$ with spin s-1/2.

Ex.:
$$q$$
 (s=1/2) $\tilde{q}$  (s=0)squarksg (s=1) $\tilde{g}$  (s=1/2)gluino

Motivations:

- Unification fermions-bosons and matter-forces is attractive
- Solves problems of SM, e.g. divergence of Higgs mass :



## Fermion and boson loops cancel, provided $m_{\tilde{f}}$ TeV.

• Measured coupling constants unify at GUT scale in SUSY but not in SM.



• Provides candidate for cold dark matter (LSP)

- Does not contradict predictions of SM at low energy not ruled out by present experiments. Predicts a light Higgs (m<sub>h</sub> < 130 GeV)</li>
- Ingredient of string theories that many consider best candidate for unified theory including gravity

However: no experimental evidence for

SUSY as yet



<u>Drawback</u> : many new particles predicted

Here : <u>Minimal</u> Supersymmetric extension of the Standard Model (MSSM) which has minimal particle content



MSSM particle spectrum :

5 Higgs bosons : h, H, A, H<sup>±</sup>

quarks	squarks	$\widetilde{u}$ , $\widetilde{d}$ , etc.
leptons	sleptons	$\tilde{e}, \tilde{\mu}, \tilde{\nu},$ etc.
$W^{\pm}$	winos	$\frac{\pm}{1}, \pm$
H±	charged higgsino	$\int 2 \text{ charginos}$
	photino	) 0
Ζ	zino	1,2,3,4
h, H	neutral higgsino	
g	gluino	$\widetilde{g}$

Masses not known. However charginos/neutralinos are usually lighter than squarks/sleptons/gluinos. Present limits :  $m_{\tilde{l},\chi^{\pm}} > 90-100 \text{ GeV}$  LEP  $m_{\tilde{q},\tilde{g}}^{\tilde{l},\chi^{\pm}} > 250 \text{ GeV}$  Tevatron Run 1 400 GeV Tevatron Run 2

## SUSY phenomenology

There is a multiplicative quantum number:



which is conserved in most popular models (considered here).

Consequences:

- SUSY particles are produced in pairs
- Lightest Supersymmetric Particle (LSP) is stable.

LSP is also weakly interacting (for cosmological reasons, candidate for cold dark matter)

LSP behaves like a escapes detection E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup> (typical SUSY signature)

Most models : 
$$\begin{bmatrix} LSP & 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

### Production of SUSY particles at LHC

• Squarks and gluinos produced via strong processes large cross-section



- $\underset{\widetilde{q}, \widetilde{g}}{\text{m}} \sim 1 \text{ TeV} \qquad 1 \text{ pb} \qquad 10^4 \text{ events per year}$ produced at low L
- Charginos, neutralinos, sleptons produced via electroweak processes much smaller rate



 $\tilde{q}\tilde{q}, \tilde{q}\tilde{g}, \tilde{g}\tilde{g}$  are <u>dominant</u> SUSY processes at LHC if kinematically accessible

#### **Decays of SUSY particles** : some examples



 $\widetilde{q}$ ,  $\widetilde{g}$  heavier more complicated decay chains



<u>Cascade decays</u> involving many leptons and /or jets + missing energy (from LSP) Exact decay chains depend on model parameters (particle masses, etc.)

However : whatever the model is, we know that

 $\tilde{q}, \tilde{g}$  are heavy (m > 250 GeV)

decays through cascades favoured

many high- $p_T$  jets/leptons/W/Z in the final state +  $E_T^{miss}$ 

at LHC is easy to extract SUSY signal from SM background

Example: if Nature had chosen the following point in the parameter space:

${ m m}_{{ m }{ m $	900 GeV	m <sub>±</sub>	150 GeV
m <i>g</i>	600 GeV	m <sub>0</sub>	80 GeV

Requiring :  $E_T^{miss} > 300 \text{ GeV}$ 5 jets  $p_T > 150, 150, 100, 100, 90 \text{ GeV}$ 



With similar analysis, discover or exclude  $\tilde{q}$ ,  $\tilde{g}$  with masses up to 1.5-2 TeV in one year at high luminosity (L =  $10^{34}$  cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>)



if SUSY exists, it will be easy and fast to discover at LHC up to  $m \sim 2.5$  TeV thanks to large x-section and clean signature. Many precision measurements of sparticle masses possible.

## Search for Extra-dimensions



> 700 theoretical papers over last 2.5 years



Arkani-Hamed, Dimopoulos, Dvali (ADD)

If gravity propagates
in 4 + n dimensions,
a gravity scale M<sub>S</sub> ≈ 1 TeV is possible
hierarchy problem solved

$$V_4(r) \sim \frac{1}{M_{Pl}^2} \frac{1}{r}$$
  
 $V_{4+n}(r) \sim \frac{1}{M_S^{n+2}R^n} \frac{1}{r}$ 

at large distance



of extra-dimensions

n, R = number and size

• If  $M_{s}$  1 TeV : n=1 R  $10^{13}$  m n=2 R 0.7 mm .... n=7 R 1 Fm

excluded by macroscopic gravity limit of small- scale gravity experiments

Extra-dimensions are compactified over R < mm



• Gravitons in Extra-dimensions get quantised mass:

$$\begin{array}{c} m_{k} \sim \frac{k}{R} & k = 1, \dots \times \\ m \sim \frac{1}{R} & e.g. & m & 400 \text{ eV } n = 3 \end{array} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{c} \text{continuous tower} \\ \text{of massive gravitons} \\ \text{(Kaluza Klein excitations)} \end{array} \\ \left( \begin{array}{c} f \\ f \end{array} \right) & \frac{1}{M_{\text{Pl}}^{2}} N_{kk} & \frac{1}{M_{\text{Pl}}^{2}} & \frac{\sqrt{s}}{m} & \frac{n}{M_{\text{Pl}}^{2}} \sqrt{s}^{n} R^{n} \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \frac{\sqrt{s}^{n}}{M_{s}^{n+2}} \\ \frac{\sqrt{s}^{n}}{M_{s}^{n+2}} \end{array} \right]$$

## Due to the large number of $G_{kk}$ , the coupling SM particles - Gravitons becomes of EW strength





- Only one scale in particle physics : EW scale
- Can test geometry of universe and quantum gravity in the lab





Note : ~ no constraints from precision measurements: -- contributions of  $G_{kk}$  loops to EW observables

$$\sim \frac{\mathrm{m_Z}}{\mathrm{M_s}}$$
 10<sup>-4</sup> for n?2

n+2



Fabiola Gianotti, Physics at LHC, Pisa, April 2002

Direct Graviton production:





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If nothing found below 10 TeV, ADD theories will lose most of their appeal

## **CONCLUSIONS**

LHC : most difficult and ambitious high-energy physics project ever realised (human and financial resources, technical challenges, complexity, ....)

Very broad and crucial physics goals: understand the origin of masses, look for physics beyond the SM, precision measurements of known particles.

In particular: can say the final word about

- -- SM Higgs mechanism
- -- low-E SUSY



It will most likely modify our understanding of Nature

#### E. Fermi, preparatory notes for a talk on "What can we learn with High Energy Accelerators?" given to the American Physical Society, NY, Jan. 29th 1954



# End of lectures

