# Early Searches with Jets with the ATLAS detector at the LHC





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#### Jets in ATLAS

Detector performance looks better than one might expect for first data Good understanding of jet distributions and properties  $\longrightarrow$  talk by E. Feng



What can we do with first  $1 \text{ nb}^{-1} - 100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ ?

For example

- Quantum gravity multijet searches
- Inclusive SUSY searches
- Exotic dijet searches

## Large Extra Dimensions

Hierarchy problem: 
$$M_{EW} \sim 100 \,\text{GeV}$$
  $M_{Pl} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c}{G}} \sim 10^{19} \,\text{GeV}$ 

ADD approach Antoniadis, Arkani-Hamed, Dimopoulos, Dvali: hep-ph/9803315, 9804398, 9807344
 ♦ n compactified extra dimensions of same size R
 ♦ Only gravity can propagate in extra dimensions



Fundamental scale  $M_D$ :

 $M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sim M_D^{n+2} R^n$ 

 $Large R \iff Small M_D$ 

Assume  $M_D \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$ to solve hierarchy problem

## Black Hole Formation @ Hadron Colliders

- ♦ Big energies  $\iff$  small distances. BH forms if partons come closer than  $2R_S$
- ♦ BH mass  $M_{BH}^2 = \hat{s}$ Continuous mass spectrum starting at some  $M \gtrsim M_D$
- Possible for any combination of quarks and gluons.  $\implies BH \text{ are charged and coloured}$



R<sub>S</sub> – Schwarzschild radius

$$R_S \propto \frac{1}{M_D} \left(\frac{M_{BH}}{M_D}\right)^{\frac{1}{n+1}}$$

Banks, Fischler: hep-th/9906038 Giddings, Thomas: hep-ph/0106219 Dimopoulos, Landsberg: hep-ph/0106295

## Black Hole Event Simulation



### Black Hole Event Selection

Different strategies exist. ATLAS CSC book, arXiv:0901.0512 Example for  $M_{BH} > 5$  TeV,  $M_D = 1$  TeV,  $\mathcal{L} = 1$  fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 14$  TeV

#### $Oldsymbol{Cut} \sum |p_T| > 2.5 \text{ TeV}$



♦ Require at least one well identified lepton e or  $\mu$  with  $p_T > 50$  GeV QCD background further reduced by factor ~ 60

#### Black Hole Mass Reconstruction

$$p_{\text{BH}} = \sum p_{i} + (\not\!\!\! E_{\text{T}}, \not\!\!\! E_{\text{T}_{\chi}}, \not\!\!\! E_{\text{T}_{y}}, 0) \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad M_{\text{BH}} = \sqrt{p_{\text{BH}}^2}$$



However, turn-on behaviour for  $M_{BH} \gtrsim M_D$  is unknown!

## Black Hole Discovery Potential

Robust estimation of discovery potential is difficult, because semi-classical model assumptions are valid only for  $M_{BH} \gg M_D$ . Introduce artificial mass cut-off in generated samples  $\implies$  conservative estimation



## Search Strategy for First Data

♦ Little access to  $M_{BH} > 5$  TeV with first data at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV Focus on lower masses

♦ Turn on of semiclassical BH production is unknown If  $M_D \sim O(TeV)$ , expect new effects Look for high multiplicity events with different objects with  $M_{inv} \gtrsim 1 \text{ TeV}$ If geometric  $\hat{\sigma} = \pi R_S^2$  starts at  $M \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$ , cross section would be in nb range

#### **Example:** string balls

## String Balls

String balls – excited string states in weakly-coupled string theory



Dimopoulos, Emparan: hep-ph/0108060 Chamblin, Nayak: hep-ph/0206060 Cheung: hep-ph/0205033 Gingrich, Martell: arXiv:0808.2512

Cross sections comparable with BH but below GR threshold Typical assumption for highly excited string state:  $M > 3M_s$ 

## Search for String Balls

#### Analysis strategy similar to BH searches

#### ATLAS-PHYS-PUB-2009-011



♦ String Balls can be excluded up to  $M \sim 5 \text{ TeV}$  with 100 pb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 10 \text{ TeV}$ In this model, this corresponds to  $M_S \approx 1.5 \text{ TeV}$  and  $M_D \approx 2.4 \text{ TeV}$ 

At 7 TeV cross section can still be in pb range for M > 3 TeV

#### SUSY Signatures at the LHC

Long decay cascades down to LSPs

 $\blacklozenge \text{ High } E_T \text{ jets from } \widetilde{q} \to q \widetilde{\chi}_i^0, \widetilde{q} \to q' \widetilde{\chi}_i^{\pm}, \widetilde{g} \to q \widetilde{q}$ 

**\diamond Large Missing E**<sup>T</sup> due to invisible LSPs

 $\blacklozenge$  isolated leptons from  $\widetilde{\chi}_2^0 \to l \widetilde{l}, \widetilde{l} \to l \widetilde{\chi}_1^0$ 



ATLAS study at  $\sqrt{s} = 10 \text{ TeV}$ 

- "Standard" mSUGRA signals
- Phenomenological MSSM
  - 19 free soft SUSY breaking parameters
  - 200 points allowed by LEP, Tevatron and dark matter searches

## SUSY Analysis Strategy

#### Event Selection

#### ATL-PHYS-PUB-2009-084

- Select  $\geq 2$ ,  $\geq 3$ ,  $\geq 4$  jets with  $p_T > 40 50 \text{ GeV}$
- Select exactly 0, 1, 2 SS, 2 OS leptons with  $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$
- Require  $E_T^{miss} > 80\,\text{GeV}$  and  $E_T^{miss} > f \times M_{\text{eff}}$
- Further cuts suppressing certain background topologies

#### Search for deviations from SM in

$$\mathcal{M}_{eff} = \sum_{jets} |p_T| + \sum_{leptons} |p_T| + E_T^{miss}$$

#### Crucial issues

- Background suppression
- Background understanding using control regions
- Understanding of  $E_T^{miss}$



# Missing $E_T$ Performance in Data at $\sqrt{s}=7\, \text{TeV}$

Min.bias data

Cells in topological clusters at uncorrected electromagnetic scale



 $E_T^{miss}$  tails and resolution are in good agreement with the simulation  $\longrightarrow$  talk by A. Yurkewicz

## SUSY Discovery Reach







## Conclusions

- With impressive detector performance in first data, ATLAS is starting first searches in jet signatures
- First competetive exclusion limits may be possible even with a few  $nb^{-1}$  [e.g. for geometric cross section of quantum gravity at  $M \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$ ]
- $\diamond$  Evidence for some phenomena is possible with first 1–100 pb<sup>-1</sup> of data
  - Dijets [contact interactions, resonances]
  - Multijet quantum gravity effects
  - SUSY





# **Additional Information**

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## Possible Sizes of Extra Dimensions



# Possible Explanation in String Theory

SM gauge fields cannot go to extra dimensions at such scales. This is ruled out by HEP experiments. But gravity can!



String theories require 6–7 extra dimensions, but not necessary of the same size

Why gravity? Because it couples to energy/momentum.
 If gravity cannot go to extra dimensions, then also no other force can.

## Monojets @ ATLAS

Vacavant, Hinchliffe: ATLAS-PHYS-2000-016, SN-ATLAS-2001-005



ATLAS fast MC studies

♦ 5 $\sigma$  discovery sensitivity for 100 fb<sup>-1</sup>:

Present limits: 1.4 TeV ( $\delta = 2$ ); 1.0 TeV ( $\delta = 4$ )

#### No instrumentation effects included

# Hawking Radiation

Steven Hawking (1975):

Pairs of virtual particles appear at event horizon with one particle escaping

Particles have black body spectrum with temperature

$$T_{\rm H} = \frac{\hbar c}{4\pi k_{\rm B} R_{\rm S}} = \frac{1}{4\pi R_{\rm S}} \propto M_{\rm Pl} \frac{M_{\rm Pl}}{M_{\rm BH}}$$

 $\blacklozenge$  No chance to discover Hawking radiation of astro black holes  $T_{\rm H} \ll T_{\rm CMB}$ 

 $\blacklozenge$  In D = 4 + n dimensions (Myers, Perry, 1986)

$$T_{\rm H} = \frac{n+1}{4\pi R_{\rm S}} \propto M_{\rm D} \left(\frac{M_{\rm D}}{M_{\rm BH}}\right)^{\frac{1}{n+1}} (n+1)$$

#### $\diamond$ At high enough T<sub>H</sub> massive particles are also produced

# Black Hole Decay



#### 1. Balding phase: Graviton radiation.

multipole moments are radiated and BH settles down in hairless state.



# 2. Evaporation phase: M<sub>BH</sub> ≫ M<sub>D</sub>. Hawking radiation. a) spin down – losing angular momentum; b) black body radiation – emission of thermally distributed quanta. Most of initial energy is emitted during this phase. Mostly in SM particles.

All SM particles on our brane; gravitons also in ED.



3. Planck phase:  $M_{BH} \rightarrow M_D$ . Regime of quantum gravity. Predictions very difficult.

BH decays in some last few SM particles or leaves stable remnant.

Pictures: backreaction.blogspot.com

# Identifying Black Holes

Need several evidences to be sure. Various ideas exist

♦ Hawking radiation  $\approx$  democratic decay in MC Roy Look at distributions of particle types: ratios  $e/\mu$ ,  $e/Z^0$ , e/t...

Giddings, Thomas: hep-ph/0106219 Harris et al.: hep-ph/0411022 Roy, Cavaglia: arXiv:0801.3281

Extract parton cross section and prove that it grows with  $\hat{s} = M_{BH}$ Depends on resolution and on turn-on behaviour







Look at event shapes (sphericity, (a)planarity, thrust ...)

# Identifying BH – Distinction from SUSY

#### **♦** BH are characterised by large $\mathbb{F}_{T}$ tail



Example: cut  $\sum |\mathbf{p}_{T}| > 2.5$  TeV, no lepton requirement

Should be underestimated, as graviton radiation was not simulated

 $\diamond$  Such high  $\mathbb{E}_{T}$  are not typical for SUSY – would require high mass neutralino LSP

## Black Hole Model Uncertainties

Large uncertainties within "semiclassical" approach.

Previously missing features are implemented in new MC versions:

- Gravition emission
- Rotation
- Possible brane tension
- Conservation of quantum numbers (lepton, flavours)
- More elaborated final burst models

Several analysis strategies are developed for different scenarios.

## Gravity Effects in Contact Interactions

Black holes at  $M \sim M_D$  may appear in contact interactions This can be any quantum gravity effect or resonance

• Expect excess at high  $p_T$  in dijet and dilepton distributions



Simplified picture – must be smoothed out. Still rather sharp turn on is expected for gravity effects.

#### Good candidate for discovery in first data

Meade, Randall: arXiv:0708.3017

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## Universal Extra Dimensions

#### Allow all SM particles to go in extra dimensions

Appelquist, Cheng, Dobrescu: hep-ph/0012100

- Kaluza–Klein excitations of all SM particles All masses are of order 1/R<sub>C</sub>
- Momentum in bulk must be conserved as no particle is kept on the 3D-brane
  - $\rightarrow$  KK states are produced in pairs as in MSSM
  - $\rightarrow$  Introduce KK parity similar to R-parity
- Current constraints:  $1/R_C \gtrsim 300 500 \text{ GeV}$
- Reach phenomenology similar to SUSY with squized mass spectra
  - $\rightarrow$  Long decay channels
  - $\rightarrow$  Lightest KK excitation is stable missing E<sub>T</sub>



Cheng, Matchev, Schmaltz hep-ph/0204342, hep-ph/0205314

#### UED Discovery Reach

Similar analysis strategy as for SUSY

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UED can be discovered for R  $\lesssim$  700 GeV with 200 pb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 10$  TeV