

LHC Signatures of a Minimal Supersymmetric Hidden Valley

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Introduction

Background

The Model

To and From the Hidden Valley

MSSM Decays In

Hidden Decays Out

Collider Objects

Hidden Sector Parameter Scan

Number of HV Jets

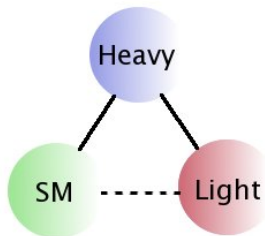
Presence of Displaced Vertices

Five Sample Points

Overview

Collider Signals

Helpful Notes on Hidden Valleys



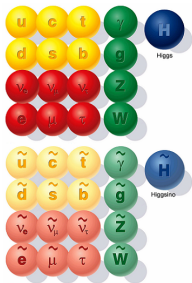
Essential Features of a Hidden Valley:

- New light sector $\mathcal{O}(\text{GeV})$
- New heavy sector $\mathcal{O}(\text{TeV})$
- Feeble SM-light coupling
- Efficient heavy-SM and -light couplings

At LHC, SM \rightarrow Heavy \rightarrow Light \rightarrow SM

New, interesting signals **BUT!** broad, ill-defined model space

Simple Review of Supersymmetry

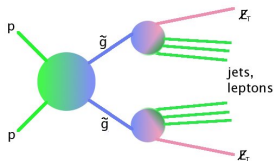


Well-motivated extension of SM

- Symmetry relating fermions \leftrightarrow bosons
- Exception to Coleman-Mandula Theorem
- $\mathcal{O}(\text{TeV})$ -scale partners of SM particles (With opposite spin-statistics)
- Solves hierarchy problem

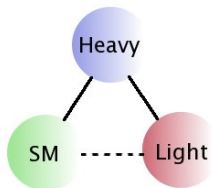
R-Parity:

- Discrete symmetry:
SM Even, New particles Odd
- Added for proton stability, DM
- Characterises SUSY events



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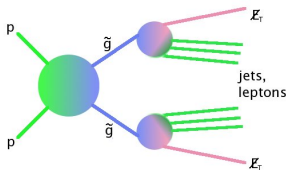


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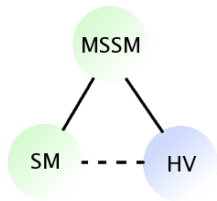
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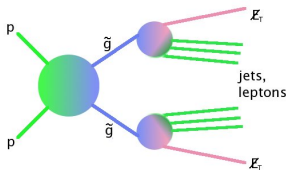


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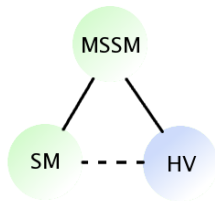
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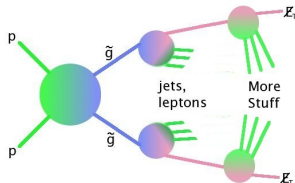


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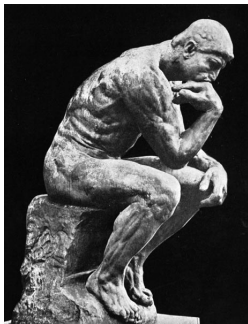
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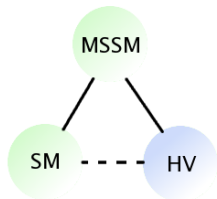


Philosophy



Our point is not that this model is **True**
Our point is that it is **Minimal** yet **Diverse**
That is, a **Benchmark**

Overview and New Particle Content



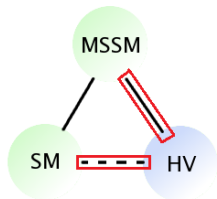
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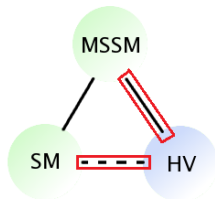


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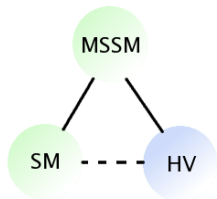
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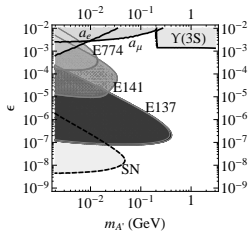
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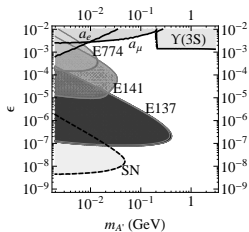
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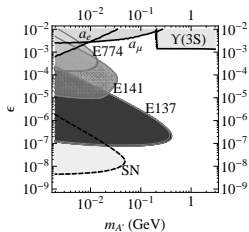
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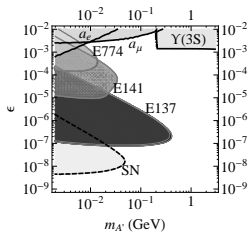
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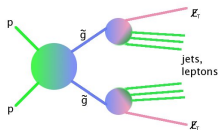
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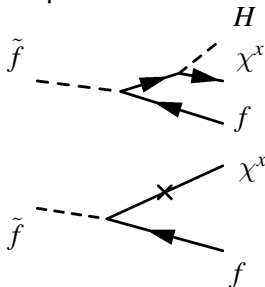
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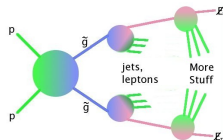
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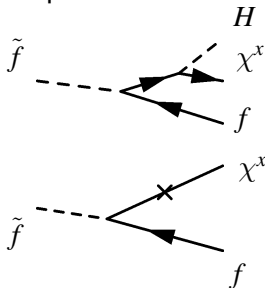
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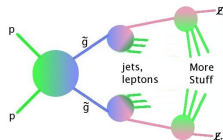
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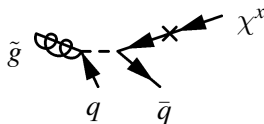
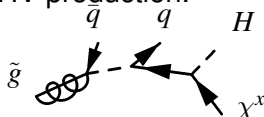
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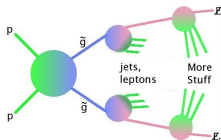
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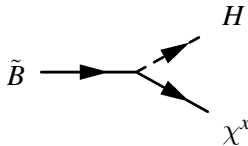
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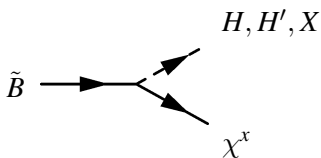
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Decays of a Neutralino LSMP



- LSMP decays via kinetic-mixing:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \sqrt{2} g_x \epsilon (H^* \tilde{H} \tilde{B} - H'^* \tilde{H}' \tilde{B})$$

- Decay to fermion + boson
- All seven hidden states accessible (Goldstone boson \rightarrow vector)

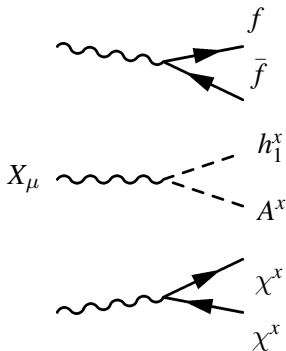
Branching Ratios:

$$\tilde{B} \rightarrow \begin{cases} A^x + \sum \chi^x & 0.25 \\ h_1^x + \sum \chi^x & 0.25 \\ h_2^x + \sum \chi^x & 0.25 \\ X_\mu + \sum \chi^x & 0.25 \end{cases}$$

$$\tilde{B} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \chi_1^x + \sum S^x & |P_{11}|^2 + |P_{12}|^2 \\ \chi_2^x + \sum S^x & |P_{21}|^2 + |P_{22}|^2 \\ \chi_3^x + \sum S^x & |P_{31}|^2 + |P_{32}|^2 \end{cases}$$

Decay Width $\Gamma \sim 10^{-18}$ s.

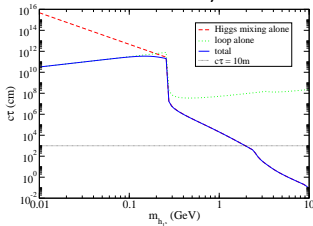
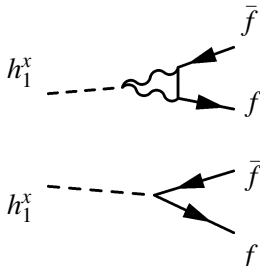
The Hidden Vector



- X_μ -SM coupling from kinetic mixing
⇒ Strength $\epsilon Q e c_w$
- So vector can decay to SM
- Vector produced boosted
⇒ Decay products boosted
- Two boosted, collimated quarks/leptons
- **BUT!** X_μ can also decay to HV
- Hidden decays dominate if allowed

The Lightest Hidden Scalar

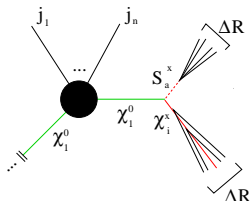
- h_1^x lightest hidden boson
- Often has no hidden decays
- **Can** decay to SM:
 1. X_μ loop
 2. Mass mixing with Higgs
- Mass mixing dominates ...
- ... But still collider-stable



Other Hidden Sector Particles

- χ_1^x is stable by R-parity
- Other particles usually decay within hidden sector
- Exceptions **DO** exist:
 - $A^x \rightarrow h_1^x X_\mu^* \rightarrow h_1^x f \bar{f}$
 - $h_2^x \rightarrow A^x X_\mu^* \rightarrow A^x f \bar{f}$
 - $\chi_2^x \rightarrow \chi_1^x X_\mu^* \rightarrow \chi_1^x f \bar{f}$
- Note: the second implies the first

Lepton Jets



- LSMP decay products boosted
- Collimated in angle
 $\Delta R \sim 1/\gamma \sim m_{hid}/m_{LSMP} \sim 10^{-3}$
- If leptons produced:
Lepton jet
- If quarks produced:
Jet with substructure
- Both case tricky
- Both cases, **Two hard subobjects**
- Call either an **HV Jet**

Displaced Vertices

For our values of ϵ and masses

- X_μ always prompt
- h_1^x always collider stable

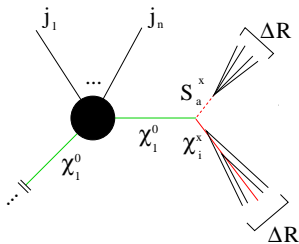
Displaced vertices only from **Three Body** decays

Can have a range of metastable lifetimes

From $c\tau \ll \text{mm} - c\tau \gg \text{km}$

Obviously, things that leave tracks easier to see

Putting it All Together



$$\{\text{MSSM cascade}\} \oplus \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 \text{ HV jets} \\ 1 \text{ HV jet} \\ 2 \text{ HV jets} \\ 3 \text{ HV jets} \\ 4 \text{ HV jets} \end{array} \right\} \otimes \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{prompt/} \\ \text{displaced} \\ \text{track} \end{array} \right\}$$

Definition of the Scan

Explore parameter space:

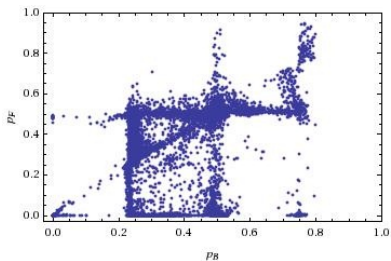
- Scan with log priors
- 20 000 points
- Decay tables:
 - Calculate with BRIDGE
 - Hidden states & LSMP
- Boosts:
 $E_{hid} = m_{LSMP}/2 = 150$ GeV
- Particles \rightarrow decay tables
- Find all LSMP final states & branching ratios

Parameter	Range
m_x	(0.1, 10) GeV
m_{A^x}	(0.1, 10) GeV
M_x	(0.1, 10) GeV
μ'	\pm (0.1, 10) GeV
$\tan \zeta$	(0.1, 10)

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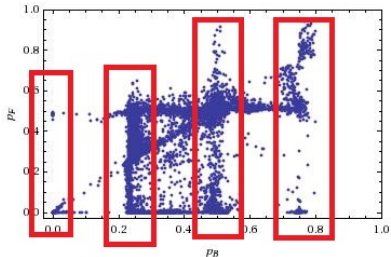
- $g_x = 0.3$
- $\epsilon = 10^{-3}$
- LSMP:
300 GeV pure Bino

Number of “HV Jets”



- $\mathcal{P}_B = \sum \tilde{B} \rightarrow S^x \rightarrow \text{SM}$
- $\mathcal{P}_F = \sum \tilde{B} \rightarrow \chi^x \rightarrow \text{SM}$
- $\mathcal{P}_B \in (0, 0.8)$
- $\mathcal{P}_F \in (0, 1)$
- Obvious structure here.

Structure I: Hidden Sector Bosons

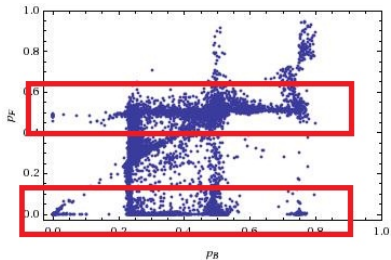


Structure in \mathcal{P}_B :

- Favours 0, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75
- Recall: $\text{Br}(\tilde{B} \rightarrow S^x) = 0.25$
- 0: $X_\mu \rightarrow \text{hidden}$
- 0.25: $X_\mu \rightarrow \text{SM}$
- 0.5: $X_\mu, A^x \rightarrow \text{SM}$
- 0.75: $X_\mu, A^x, h_x^2 \rightarrow \text{SM}$
- Note: h_1^x collider stable

Elsewhere: $S^x \rightarrow \chi^x \chi^x$

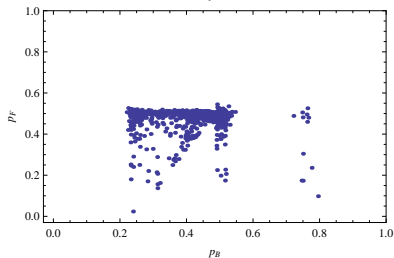
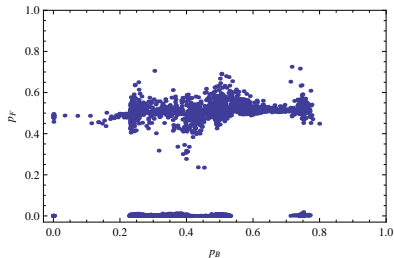
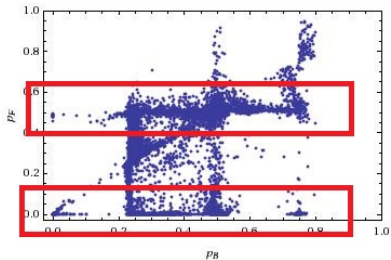
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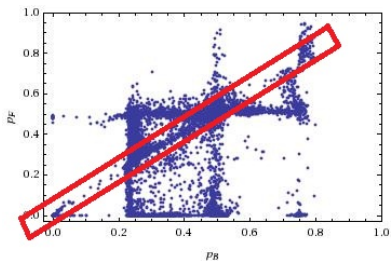
Structure in \mathcal{P}_F :

- Agglomerations at 0, 0.5
- Light Higgsinos:
 - $\chi_2^x \rightarrow h_1^x \chi_1^x$ invisible
 - χ_2^x off-shell visible
- Heavy Higgsinos
Decays to h_1^x, X_μ

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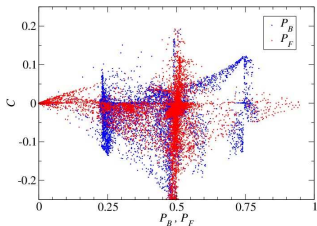
Structure III: Hidden Sector Fermions & Bosons



Last structure: $\mathcal{P}_B \approx \mathcal{P}_F$

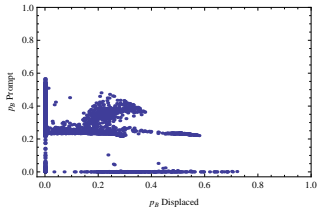
- $\chi_j^x \rightarrow S^x \chi_i^x$
- Fermions decay to all scalars
- **OR** to most scalars

Correlations in Hidden Cascades



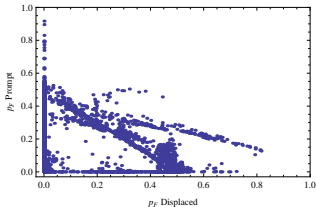
- Average no. HV Jets $\mathcal{P}_B + \mathcal{P}_F$
- But decays correlated
- Define $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{P}_B \mathcal{P}_F - \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_2$
- \mathcal{C} , \mathcal{P}_B and \mathcal{P}_F define Bino decay

Long-Lived Bosons



- All Displaced: $X_\mu \rightarrow$ hidden
- All Prompt: All two-body
- Mixed: $X_\mu \rightarrow$ SM, A^x off-shell

Long-Lived Fermions



- All Displaced:
 - χ_2^x off-shell; or
 - $X_\mu \rightarrow$ hidden
- All Prompt: All two-body
- The rest: off-shell scalars

Five Sample Points

Now have overview of parameter space

Select **Five** points for **further study**

Selected based on phenomenology, not spectrum:

1. Invisible: $\mathcal{P}_B \approx \mathcal{P}_F \approx 0$
2. Vector only: $\tilde{B} \rightarrow X_\mu \rightarrow \text{SM}$, $\tilde{B} \rightarrow \chi^x, S^x$ invisible
3. Pure displacement: $X_\mu \rightarrow$ hidden, but three-body A^x
4. Lots of stuff; $\mathcal{P}_B \approx \mathcal{P}_F \approx 0.5$, complex decay chains
5. Multiple Displaced; $X_\mu \rightarrow \text{SM}$, A^x and χ_2^x three-body

See paper for parameters, spectra

Generating Events

We don't care about MSSM phenomenology

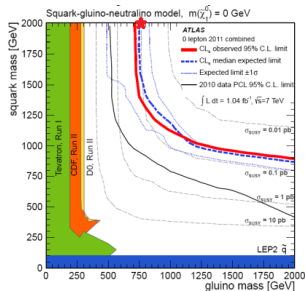
⇒ Take simplified spectrum:

- 300 GeV Bino
- 800 GeV gluino
- Everything else 2.5 GeV
- Not ruled out **Yet!**

Model ⇒ FeynRules, MadGraph

⇒ 50 000 events $pp \rightarrow \tilde{g}\tilde{g}$ 7 TeV

- $\sigma \sim 200$ fb
- Everything else irrelevant
- 4 jets from gluinos + HV cascades



Defining “Collider” Objects

Experimentalists look away now!

A “HV Jet”:

1. (At least) Two partons, $p_T > 20$ GeV and $\Delta R < 0.1$
2. Within $\Delta R < 0.4$, extra $p_T < 3$ GeV
3. No distinction between leptons vs quarks, gluons
4. No showering, detector resolution effects

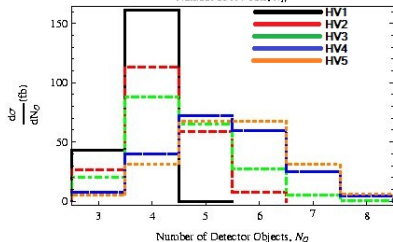
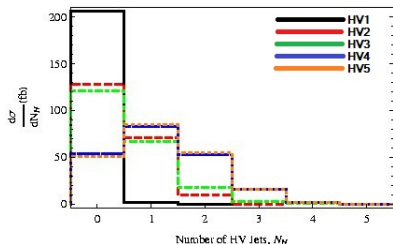
A “Jet”:

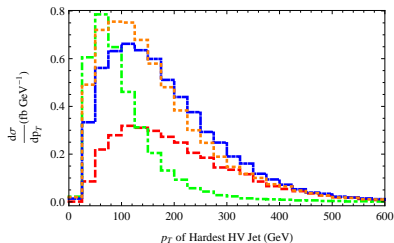
1. Not an HV Jet
2. $p_T > 20$ GeV
3. Jet Size $R = 0.4$

Tag Efficiencies & Number of (HV) Jets

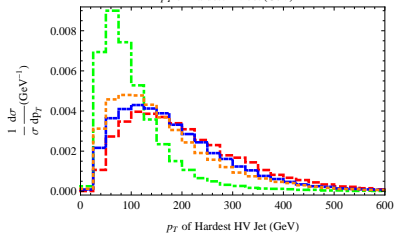
Point	HV Jet Tag Efficiency
HV2	88%
HV3	50%
HV4	62%
HV5	55%

Note: most failed HV jets tagged as jets



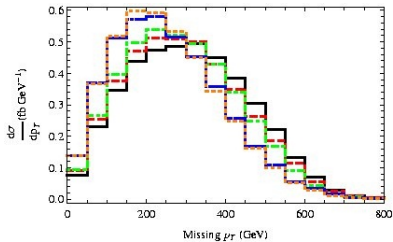
HV Jet p_T 

- HV2: hardest HV jets (all from $X_\mu \rightarrow f\bar{f}$)



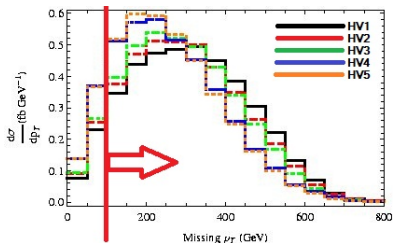
- HV3 notably soft (all from $A^x \rightarrow h_1^x f\bar{f}$)

Missing Transverse Energy



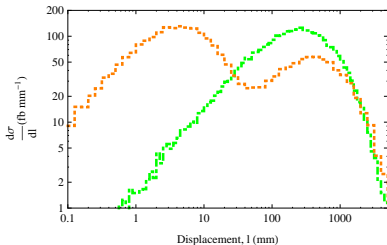
- More visible \Rightarrow less \cancel{E}_T
- Still lots of \cancel{E}_T in all cases

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Displaced Vertices



- Again: no detector effects
- HV5 “double-bump”:
hint to HV structure?

Monojets

Benchmark	Monojet Branching Ratio
HV1	0%
HV2	27%
HV3	10%
HV4	18%
HV5	12%

[Used ATLAS LowPT Tags]

$pp \rightarrow 2 \text{ LSMP} \rightarrow \text{monojets}$

- Irrelevant for Bino LSMP
- Interesting for Wino, Higgsino?
- Possible for all but HV1

- MSSM + Higgsed U(1) is **Minimal** SUSY HV
- Model has **Diverse** phenomenology:
R-Hadrons, displaced vertices, lepton jets,
monojets . . .
- It is therefore a possible **Benchmark**
- We have **Scanned** HV Parameter Space
And studied **5** points in more depth