

Title: LHC Signals of MSSM Electroweak Baryogenesis

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Abstract: The Standard Model (SM) of particle physics provides an excellent description of nearly every collider physics experiment performed to date. However, the SM is unable to explain the observed cosmology. Among its cosmological shortcomings, the SM cannot account for the dark matter or explain why there is more matter than anti-matter. A well-motivated way to extend the SM is supersymmetry. In the minimal supersymmetric extension of the SM, the MSSM, new superpartner particles can make up the dark matter and generate the matter-antimatter asymmetry. These two requirements place strong constraints on the mass spectrum of superpartners in the MSSM. In this talk, we will describe this cosmologically motivated spectrum, and discuss some of the interesting signatures it could create at the upcoming LHC experiments.

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Baryons, not Anti-Baryons

- Baryon density of the universe: [WMAP '08]

$$\eta = \frac{n_B}{n_\gamma} = (6.5 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-10}.$$

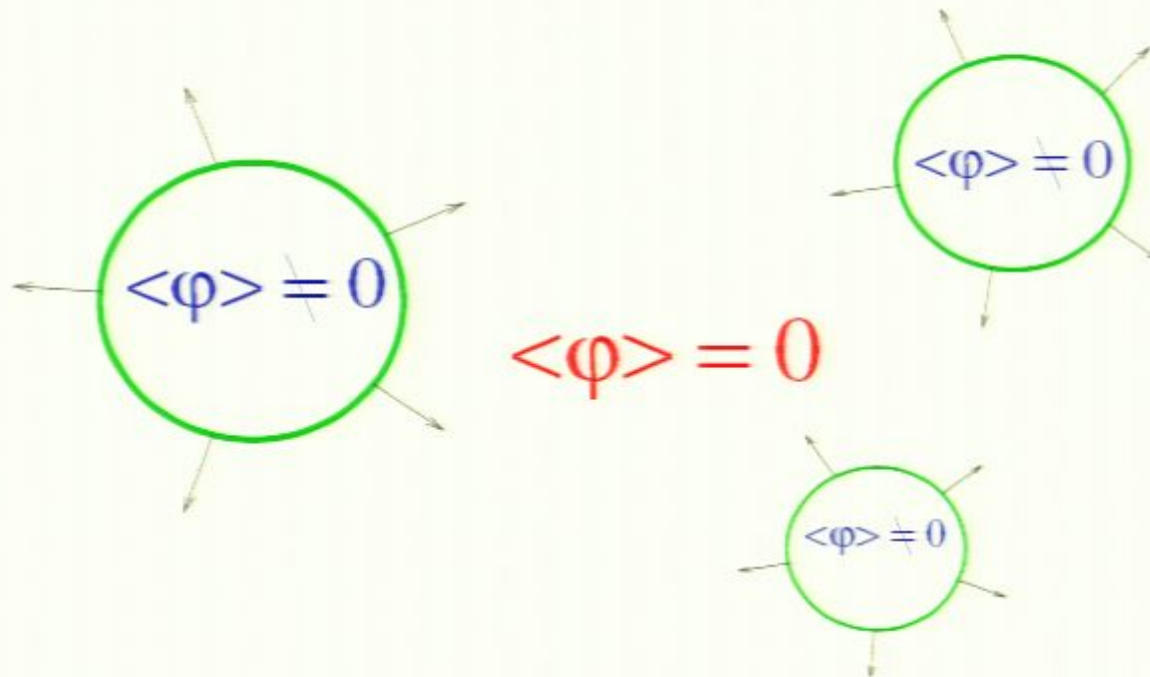
where $n_B = (\# \text{ baryons}) - (\# \text{ anti-baryons})$.

- Only baryons, not anti-baryons.
→ Baryon Asymmetry of the Universe.
- No Standard Model (SM) explanation.
- Supersymmetric SM (MSSM) → Electroweak Baryogenesis

Electroweak Baryogenesis (EWBG)

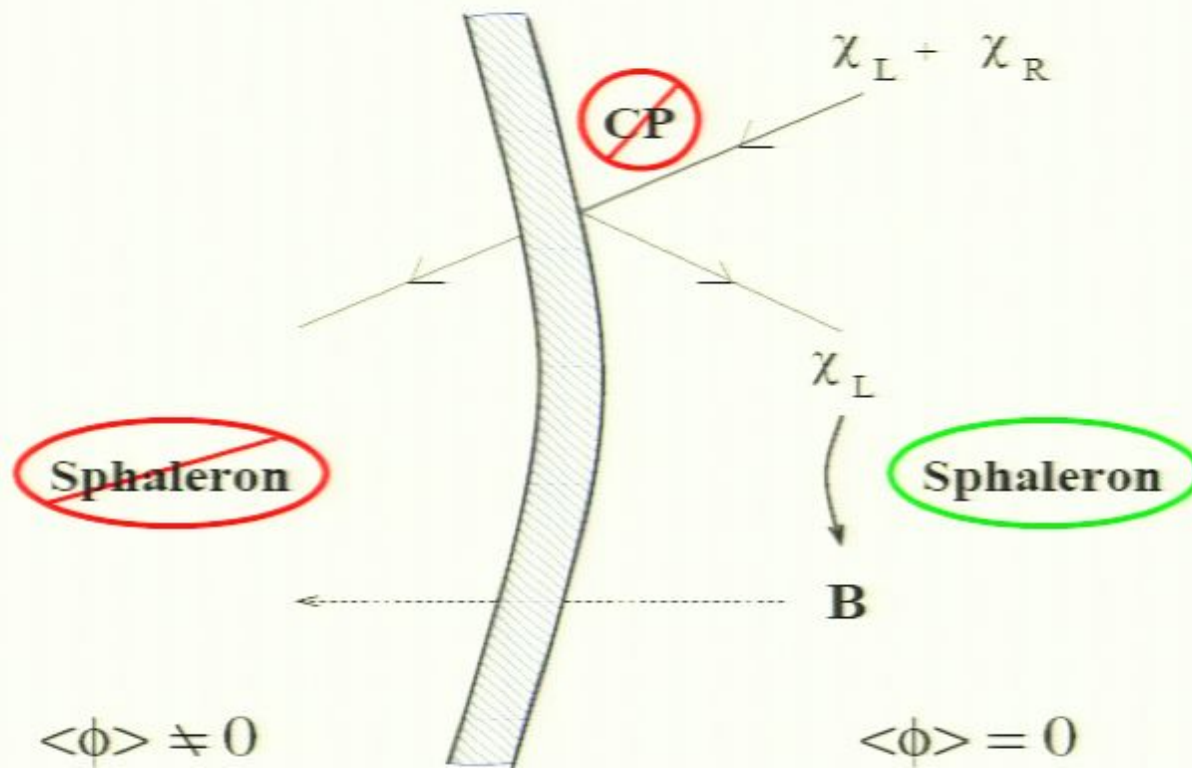
[Kuzmin, Rubakov, Shaposhnikov '85]

- $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow U(1)_{em}$ as the universe cools.
- First-order phase transition \Rightarrow bubbles of broken phase.



Electroweak Baryogenesis (EWBG)

- CP violation in the bubble wall creates a chiral asymmetry.
- Sphalerons transform the chiral charge into baryons.
- These baryons are swept up into the bubbles.



EWBG in the MSSM

- SM Problem #1: No First-Order Phase Transition
- The MSSM scalar top can make the transition first-order if:
 - It is very light and mostly right-handed

$$125 \text{ GeV} \lesssim m_{\tilde{t}_1} \lesssim 170 \text{ GeV}$$

- Large stop-Higgs coupling \iff small stop mixing:

$$g_{h\tilde{t}_1\tilde{t}_1^*} \simeq |y_t|^2 \left(1 - \frac{|X_t|^2}{m_{Q_3}^2} \right) \leq |y_t|^2$$

- The other stop must be very heavy for $m_h > 114 \text{ GeV}$,

$$m_{\tilde{t}_2} \gtrsim 2 \text{ TeV}.$$

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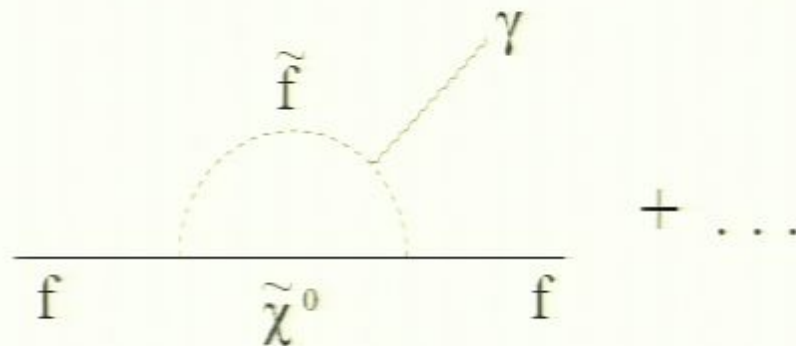
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- Main MSSM source: Higgsinos and Gauginos.

[Carena, Quiros, Seco, Wagner '02; Lee, Cirigliano, Ramsey-Musolf '04]

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$$\mu, M_{1,2} \lesssim 400 \text{ GeV}$$

- New CP violation \longrightarrow electric dipole moments (EDM)



- EDM bounds $\Rightarrow m_{\tilde{f}_{1,2}} \gtrsim 5 \text{ TeV}$ (unless cancellations)

A Light Stop at the Tevatron?

- Why hasn't the Tevatron seen a light stop with $m_{\tilde{t}_1} < m_t$?
- Not if the light stop is close in mass to the LSP:

$$(m_{\tilde{t}_1} - m_{LSP}) \lesssim 30 \text{ GeV}$$

⇒ decay products are soft and difficult to find.

- Dark Matter Motivation: [Balázs, Carena, Menon, Morrissey, Wagner '05]
 - Bino LSP → too much dark matter.
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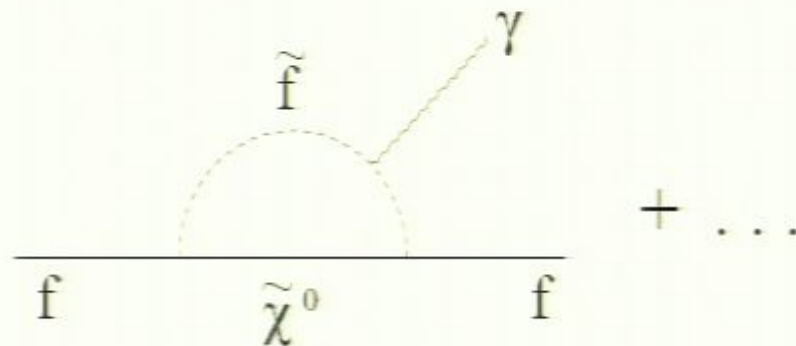
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MSSM EWBG Direct Searches at the LHC

- \tilde{t}_1 are produced copiously but are hard to see.

- Stop Decay Modes:

$$- \tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow c \chi_1^0 \quad (\chi_1^0 = LSP)$$

Requires flavor violation.

$$(m_{\tilde{t}_1} - m_{\chi_1^0}) < 30 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow \text{soft charm}$$

[Balázs, Carena, Wagner '04]

$$- \tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow b W^{(*)} \chi_1^0, \quad \tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow b \chi_1^{\pm(*)}$$

Often kinematically impossible, soft decay products.

[Demina, Lykken, Matchev, Nomerotski '99]

- Same-sign tops ($\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow c\chi_1^0$) [Kraml+Raklev '05,'06]

$$\tilde{g}\tilde{g} \rightarrow tt\tilde{t}_1^*\tilde{t}_1^* \rightarrow bb\ell^+\ell^+ + (\text{jets}) + \cancel{E}_T$$

\Rightarrow same sign tops \rightarrow same-sign leptons

LHC discovery with 30 fb^{-1} for $m_{\tilde{g}} < 1000\text{ GeV}$

- Stoppedonium? $\tilde{t}_1\tilde{t}_1^* \rightarrow \eta_{\tilde{t}_1} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ [Martin '08]

- New signals if $\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow bW^{(*)}\chi_1^0$ dominates?

- Look for electroweak-inos directly? [Carena+Freitas '06]

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_{1,2}^\pm &\rightarrow \tilde{t}_1 b \quad (\text{if possible}) \\ \chi_{(i>1)}^0 &\rightarrow Z\chi^0, h\chi^0, W^\pm\chi^\mp \end{aligned}$$

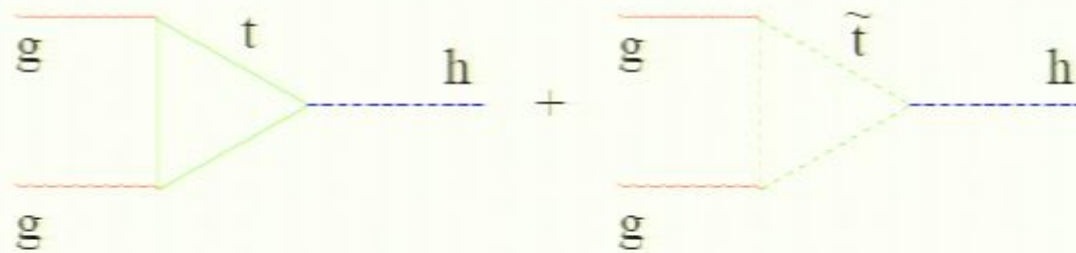
LHC Higgs Signals of MSSM EWBG

- A light stop can modify Higgs production and decay.

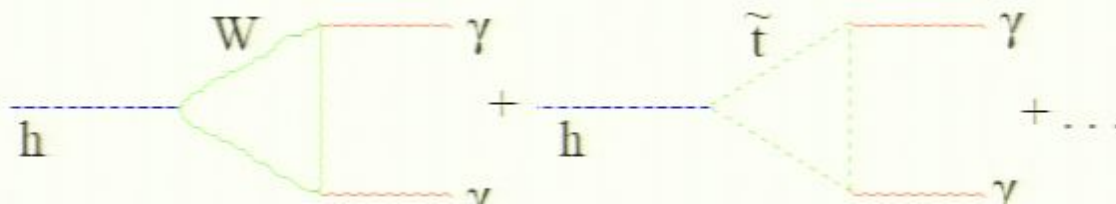
[Kane, Kribs, Martin, Wells '95; Dawson, Djouadi, Spira '96; Djouadi '98; Dermisek+Low '00]

- $h\tilde{t}_1\tilde{t}_1^*$ coupling: $g_{h\tilde{t}_1\tilde{t}_1^*} \simeq |y_t|^2 \left(1 - \frac{|X_t|^2}{m_{\tilde{Q}_3}^2} \right) \xrightarrow{EWBG} |y_t|^2$

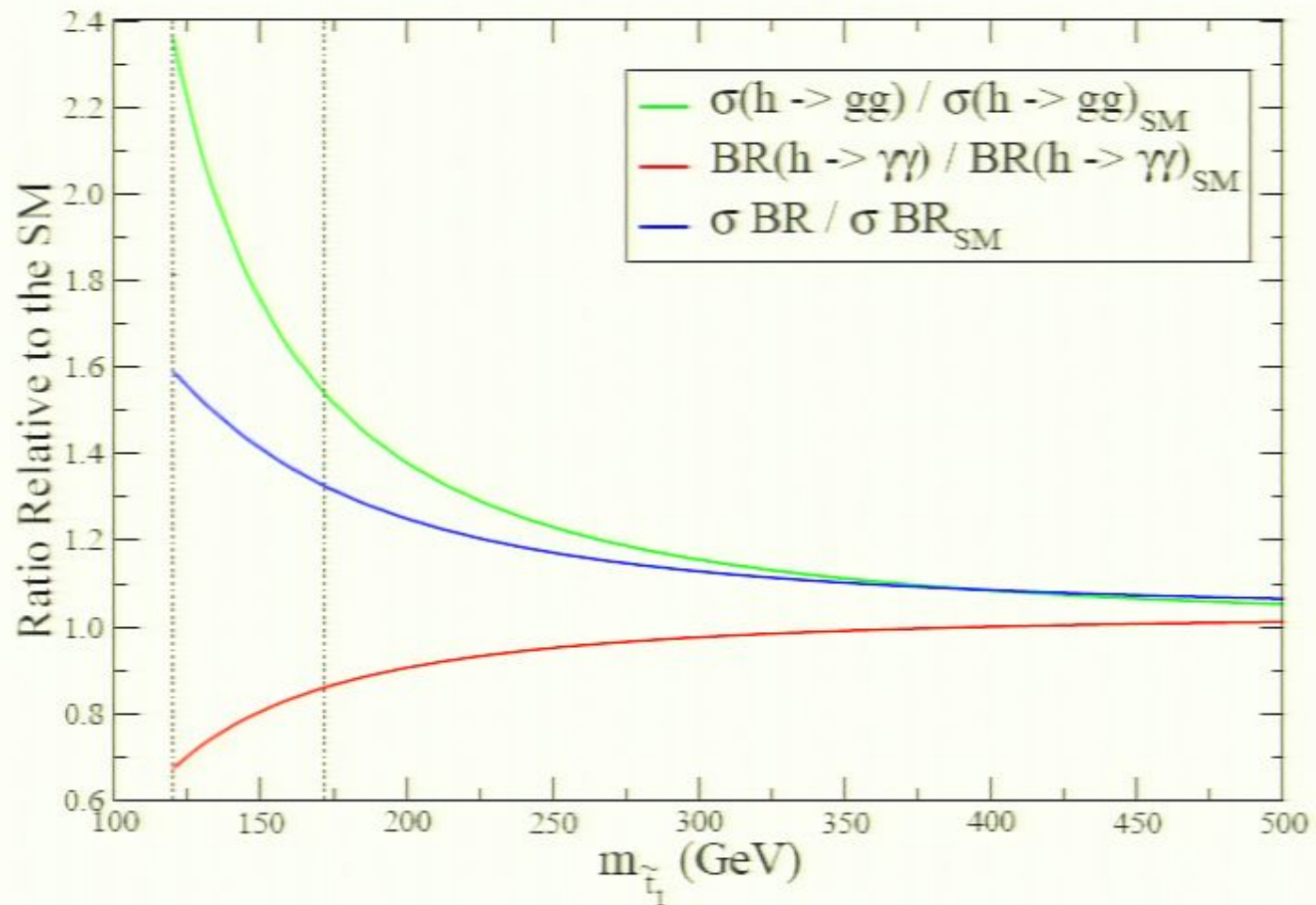
- $\sigma(gg \rightarrow h)$ is enhanced.



- $\Gamma(h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$ is suppressed.



- $|X_t| \simeq 0$, $\tan \beta = 10$, $M_a = \text{large}$, $m_h = 120 \text{ GeV}$



Summary

- On top of everything else, the MSSM can account for the baryon asymmetry.
- Baryon production → electroweak baryogenesis.
- EWBG requires a light stop, light -inos, heavy scalars.
- This scenario can be challenging at the LHC.
- Higgs boson production and decay gives an indirect probe.
- Connection between colliders and cosmology!?