

Probing CP Violation with Momentum Reconstruction at the LHC

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Motivation

- supersymmetry can introduce new sources of CP violation
- these may be needed to explain baryon asymmetry of the universe
- new CP phases can be measured in high energy physics experiments
 - ⇒ so far most analyses concentrated on the ILC
see Kittel, arXiv:0904.3241 for a recent review
 - ⇒ challenging at the LHC
Ellis, Moortgat, Moortgat-Pick, Smillie, Tattersall arXiv:0809.1607
Deppisch, Kittel arXiv:0905.3088

We show that in spite of the difficult experimental environment the measurement of CP-odd effects may be possible at the LHC.

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Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model

particles		spin 0	spin 1/2	$SU(3)_c, SU(2)_L, U(1)_Y$
squarks and quarks (3 flavors)	Q	$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{u}_L \\ \tilde{d}_L \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix}_L$	$(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}, \frac{1}{6})$
	U	\tilde{u}_R^*	u_R^\dagger	$(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1}, -\frac{2}{3})$
	D	\tilde{d}_R^*	d_R^\dagger	$(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1}, \frac{1}{3})$
sleptons and leptons (3 flavors)	L	$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\nu} \\ \tilde{e}_L \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} \nu \\ e \end{pmatrix}_L$	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}, -\frac{1}{2})$
	E	\tilde{e}_R^*	e_R^\dagger	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}, 1)$
Higgs bosons and Higgsinos	H_u	$\begin{pmatrix} H_u^+ \\ H_u^0 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{H}_u^+ \\ \tilde{H}_u^0 \end{pmatrix}$	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}, \frac{1}{2})$
	H_d	$\begin{pmatrix} H_d^0 \\ H_d^- \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{H}_d^0 \\ \tilde{H}_d^- \end{pmatrix}$	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}, -\frac{1}{2})$

particles	spin $\frac{1}{2}$	spin 1	$SU(3)_c, SU(2)_L, U(1)_Y$
gluino , gluon	\tilde{g}	g	$(\mathbf{8}, \mathbf{1}, 0)$
winos , W bosons	$\tilde{W}^\pm, \tilde{W}^0$	W^\pm, W^0	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{3}, 0)$
bino , B boson	\tilde{B}^0	B^0	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}, 0)$

Neutralino sector of MSSM

- neutralino mass matrix in gauge eigenstate basis
 $(\tilde{B}, \tilde{W}^0, \tilde{H}_d^0, \tilde{H}_u^0)$

$$M_{\tilde{\chi}^0} = \begin{pmatrix} M_1 & 0 & -m_Z c_\beta s_W & m_Z s_\beta s_W \\ 0 & M_2 & m_Z c_\beta c_W & -m_Z s_\beta c_W \\ -m_Z c_\beta s_W & m_Z c_\beta c_W & 0 & -\mu \\ m_Z s_\beta s_W & -m_Z s_\beta c_W & -\mu & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- diagonalization of mass matrix

$$\text{diag}(m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}, m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}, m_{\tilde{\chi}_3^0}, m_{\tilde{\chi}_4^0}) = N^* M_{\tilde{\chi}^0} N^{-1}$$

- when M_1 and/or μ are complex mixing matrix N has non-trivial complex structure
- complex elements of N appear in neutralino couplings triggering CP-odd effects

CP phases in the MSSM

- CP phases enter in the gaugino/higgsino mass parameters and trilinear couplings:

$$M_i = |M_i|e^{i\phi_i}, \quad \mu = |\mu|e^{i\phi_\mu}, \quad A_f = |A_f|e^{i\phi_f}$$

- ⇒ strong bounds from EDMs
 - ⇒ large phases possible if accidental cancellations occur
see e.g. Ellis, Lee, Pilaftsis arXiv:0808.1819
 - ⇒ or 1st and 2nd generation of squarks are heavy
- CP phases can be probed by
 - asymmetries in cross sections and decay widths,
 - asymmetries of triple products of momenta and/or spins
 - ⇒ such CP- and T-odd observables provide unambiguous way of detecting CP violation in the model

Triple products

Triple product correlations of momenta are a useful tool for studying **CP violation** effects

- construct a T_N -odd observable:

$$\mathcal{T} = \vec{p}_1 \cdot (\vec{p}_2 \times \vec{p}_3)$$

- it is CP-odd if higher order effects and finite widths can be neglected
- originates from Dirac traces in matrix element

$$\text{Tr} [\gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu \gamma^\rho \gamma^\sigma \gamma^5] \longrightarrow i \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} p_a^\mu p_b^\nu p_c^\rho p_d^\sigma$$

⇒ together with **imaginary part of couplings** gives rise to CP-odd asymmetries

CP-sensitive asymmetries

Example: triple product in decay chain $\tilde{t} \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_2^0 t \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 l^+ l^- t$

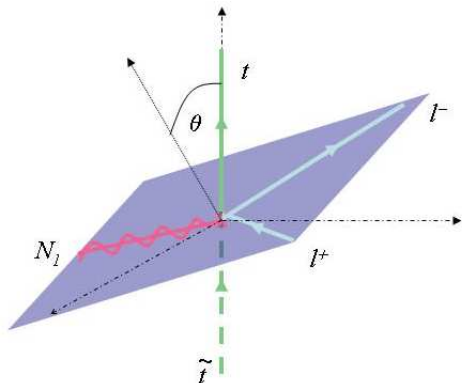
$$\mathcal{T}_t = \vec{p}_t \cdot (\vec{p}_{l^+} \times \vec{p}_{l^-})$$

- count the number of events N_+ where \vec{p}_t points above the plane defined by leptons vs. the number of events N_- when it points below it
- define the asymmetry as:

$$A_{\text{CP}} = \frac{N_+ - N_-}{N_+ + N_-}$$

- $A_{\text{CP}} = 0$ when phases vanish

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Chosen scenario

- mSUGRA parameters:

$$m_0 = 150 \text{ GeV}, m_{1/2} = 200 \text{ GeV}, A_0 = -650 \text{ GeV}, \tan \beta = 10$$

- resulting masses in GeV and branching ratios:

$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$	$m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}$	$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm}$	$m_{\tilde{g}}$	$m_{\tilde{q}_L}$	$m_{\tilde{t}_1}$
78.1	148.4	148.2	496.5	480	171.0

Mode	$\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{t}_1 \bar{t} + \text{c.c.}$	$\tilde{q}_L \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm q'$	$\tilde{q}_L \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_2^0 q$	$\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^+ b$
BR	53.8%	65%	33%	98.1%
Mode	$\tilde{\chi}_1^+ \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tau^+ \nu_\tau$	$\tilde{\chi}_1^+ \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \ell^+ \nu_\ell$	$\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tau^+ \tau^-$	$\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \ell^+ \ell^-$
BR	37.2%	$2 \times 12.2\%$	59.3%	$2 \times 4.5\%$

- introduce the complex phase for the bino mass parameter

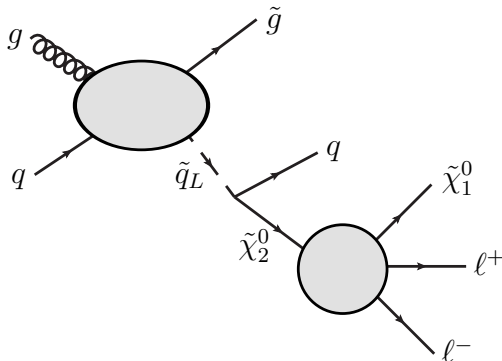
$$M_1 = |M_1| e^{i\phi_1} \quad 0 \leq \phi_1 < 2\pi$$

Squarks production and decay

- production rates at 14 TeV

Particle	Total Coloured	\tilde{g}	\tilde{q}_L	\tilde{q}_L^*	$\tilde{q}_L + \tilde{g}$	$\tilde{q}_L^* + \tilde{g}$
Cross Section (pb)	148	59.2	30.0	8.3	18.2	3.1

- high production rate of squarks
- squarks dominate over antisquarks
- left squarks decay to $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$ with $BR = 33\%$



CP asymmetry in neutralino 3-body decay

- neutralinos $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$ appear copiously in the \tilde{q}_L decay chain

- leptonic 3-body decay of neutralino

$$\tilde{q}_L \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_2^0 + q \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \ell^+ \ell^- + q$$

Choi, Chung, Kalinowski,
Kim, KR hep-ph/0504122

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hep-ph/0403243

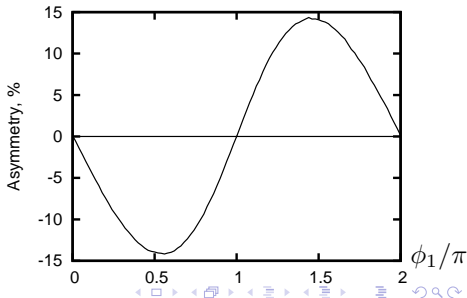
- triple product of lepton momenta and a quark from \tilde{q}_L decay

$$\mathcal{T}_{q\ell\ell} = \vec{p}_q \cdot (\vec{p}_{\ell^+} \times \vec{p}_{\ell^-})$$

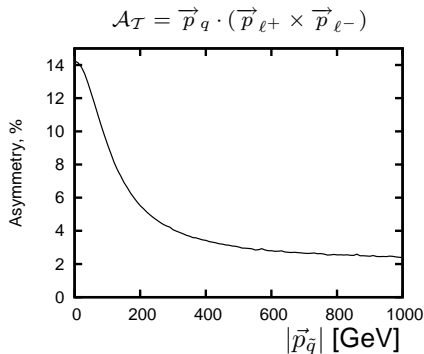
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- sensitive to the phase of M_1
- asymmetry up to 15% in \tilde{q}_L rest frame

$$\mathcal{A}_{CP} = \frac{N(\mathcal{T}_{q\ell\ell} > 0) - N(\mathcal{T}_{q\ell\ell} < 0)}{N(\mathcal{T}_{q\ell\ell} > 0) + N(\mathcal{T}_{q\ell\ell} < 0)}$$

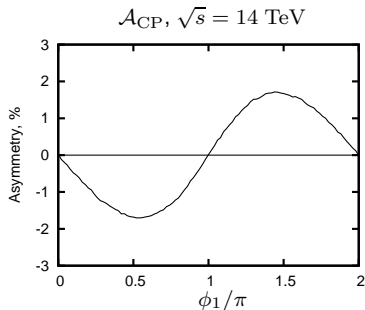


Dilution due to boosts



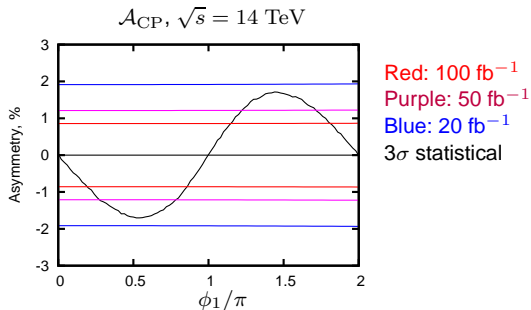
- asymmetry as a function of the squark momentum in the laboratory frame
- high and undetermined boost decreases the asymmetry
- **the highest asymmetry in the squark rest frame**

Hadron level asymmetry



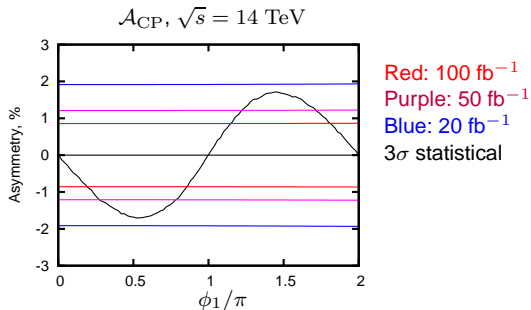
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Momentum reconstruction

Mass conditions:

$$m_{\tilde{q}_L}^2 = (p_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} + p_q)^2$$

$$m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 = (p_{\tilde{\chi}_{1A}^0} + p_{\ell_A^+} + p_{\ell_A^-})^2$$

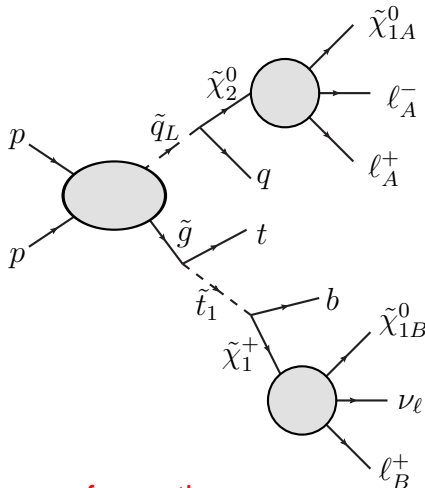
$$m_{\tilde{g}}^2 = (p_{\tilde{t}_1} + p_t)^2$$

$$m_{\tilde{t}_1}^2 = (p_{\tilde{\chi}_1^+} + p_b)^2$$

$$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2 = p_{\tilde{\chi}_{1A}^0}^2$$

$$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^+}^2 = (p_{\tilde{\chi}_{1B}^0} + p_{\ell_B^+} + p_{\nu_\ell})^2$$

$$\vec{p}_T^{miss} = \vec{p}_T^{\tilde{\chi}_{1A}^0} + \vec{p}_T^{\tilde{\chi}_{1B}^0} + \vec{p}_T^{\nu_\ell}$$



- 8 unknowns vs. 8 equations
- assuming particle masses are known from other measurements, momenta of intermediate particles can be reconstructed

Momentum reconstruction

Further steps

- combine the momenta of $\tilde{\chi}_{1B}^0$ and ν_ℓ as they cannot be resolved

$$P_{\tilde{g}ME} = P_{\tilde{\chi}_{1B}^0} + P_{\nu_\ell}$$

- 8 unknowns:

$$\left(E_{\tilde{\chi}_{1A}^0}, p_{\tilde{\chi}_{1A}^0}(x), p_{\tilde{\chi}_{1A}^0}(y), p_{\tilde{\chi}_{1A}^0}(z) \right)$$

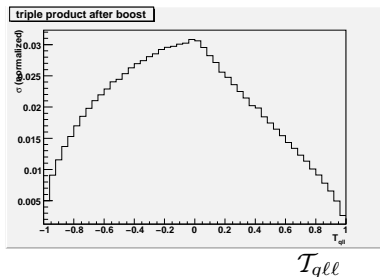
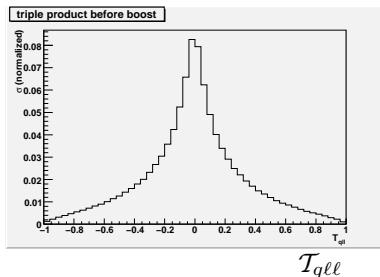
$$\left(E_{\tilde{g}ME}, p_{\tilde{g}ME}(x), p_{\tilde{g}ME}(y), p_{\tilde{g}ME}(z) \right)$$

- form the system of 6 linear and 2 quadratic equations

Some tricky details

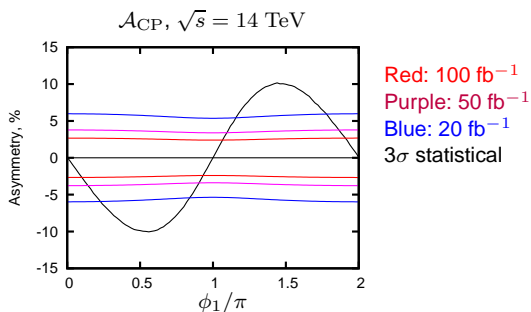
- up to 4 possible real solutions
 - ⇒ take only events where all solutions have the same sign of triple product
- background due to signal process with $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$ decaying to taus followed by leptonic tau decays to same flavor leptons
 - $$\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tau^+ \tau^- \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \ell^+ \nu_\ell \bar{\nu}_\tau \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell \nu_\tau$$
 - ⇒ usually does not give the same sign triple product for different solutions
- combinatorics
 - ⇒ no real solutions in case of wrong assignments of particles in most cases

Effect of boost on triple product



- using reconstructed momenta we can calculate triple product in the rest frame of the neutralino $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$
- asymmetry becomes clearly visible after boost in the triple product distribution
- use Herwig++ to validate analytical results and generate the events

Asymmetry after reconstruction



- asymmetry returns to parton level magnitude
- substantially increases statistical significance of any result
- **good prospects for 3σ discovery or exclusion for wide range of ϕ_1 values**

Experimental factors

- selection cuts

$$E_T(j_1) \geq 100 \text{ GeV}, \quad E_T(j) \geq 25 \text{ GeV}$$

$$E_T(\ell_{e,\mu}) \geq 10 \text{ GeV}, \quad M_{\ell+\ell-} \geq 20 \text{ GeV}, \quad |\eta| \leq 2.5$$

- momenta of final particles smeared in the detector

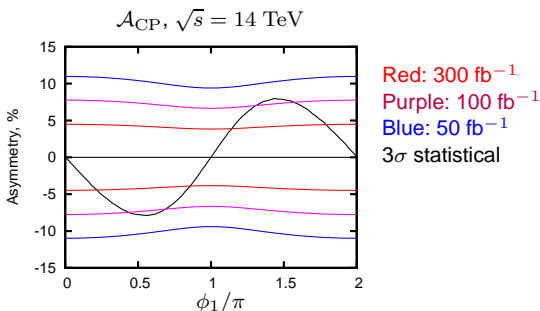
$$\frac{\sigma_E}{E} = \frac{a_{j,e}}{\sqrt{E}} \oplus \frac{b_{j,e}}{E} \oplus c_{j,e}$$

- for jets $a_j = 0.6 \text{ GeV}^{\frac{1}{2}}$, $b_j = 1.5 \text{ GeV}$ and $c_j = 0.03$
- for electrons $a_e = 0.12 \text{ GeV}^{\frac{1}{2}}$, $b_e = 0.2 \text{ GeV}$ and $c_e = 0.01$

- missing energy resolution

$$\frac{\sigma_{MET}^x}{E_T} = \frac{\sigma_{MET}^y}{E_T} = \frac{0.57}{\sqrt{E_T/\text{GeV}}}$$

Asymmetry with experimental effects



- momentum smearing reduces the number of reconstructed events and increases dilution
- includes uncertainty in particle masses

With high luminosity wide range of ϕ_1 covered:

$$0.2\pi \lesssim \phi_1 \lesssim 0.85\pi \quad \cup \quad 1.15\pi \lesssim \phi_1 \lesssim 1.8\pi$$

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Conclusions

- squark decays are a promising channel for studying CP violation at the LHC
- suppression of asymmetries by boosts can be overcome by momentum reconstruction
- reconstruction significantly improves sensitivity by enhancing the signal
- information from LHC on CP violation could direct future searches at a linear collider
- Outlook:
 - ⇒ more detailed experimental study is in progress

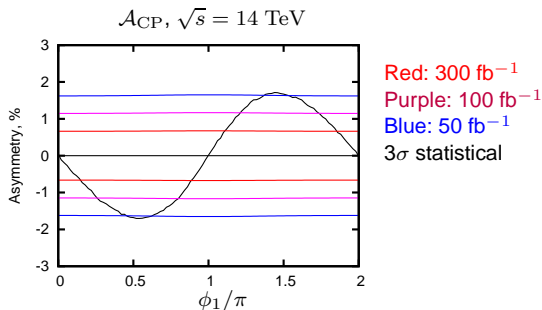
Momentum reconstruction matrix

$$\mathcal{M} \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \\ C \\ D \\ E \\ F \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2) + P_{\ell_a^+} \cdot P_{\ell_a^-} + E_{\tilde{\chi}_{1a}^0} (E_{\ell_a^+} + E_{\ell_a^-}) \\ \frac{1}{2}(m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 - m_{\tilde{q}}^2) + P_{\ell_a^+} \cdot P_q + P_{\ell_a^-} \cdot P_q + E_{\tilde{\chi}_{1a}^0} E_q \\ \frac{1}{2}(m_b^2 + m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^+}^2 - m_{\tilde{t}}^2) + P_{\ell_b^+} \cdot P_b + E_{\tilde{g}_{ME}} E_b \\ \frac{1}{2}(m_{\tilde{t}}^2 + m_t^2 - m_{\tilde{g}}^2) + P_{\ell_b^+} \cdot P_t + P_b \cdot P_t + E_{\tilde{g}_{ME}} E_t \\ p_{miss}^T(x) \\ p_{miss}^T(y) \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{p}_{\ell_a^+ \ell_a^-} & \vec{p}_{\ell_a^+ \ell_a^-} & \vec{p}_{\ell_a^+ \ell_a^-} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vec{p}_{\ell_a^+ \ell_a^-} & \vec{p}_{\ell_a^- \ell_a^-} & \vec{p}_{\ell_a^+ \ell_a^-} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \vec{p}_b \vec{p}_{\ell_b^+} & \vec{p}_b \vec{p}_b & \vec{p}_b \vec{p}_t \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \vec{p}_t \vec{p}_{\ell_b^+} & \vec{p}_b \vec{p}_t & \vec{p}_t \vec{p}_t \\ p_{\ell_a^+}(x) & p_{\ell_a^-}(x) & p_q(x) & p_{\ell_b^+}(x) & p_b(x) & p_t(x) \\ p_{\ell_a^+}(y) & p_{\ell_a^-}(y) & p_q(y) & p_{\ell_b^+}(y) & p_b(y) & p_t(y) \end{pmatrix}$$

Asymmetry before reconstruction with cuts



With high luminosity wide range of ϕ_1 covered:

$$0.15\pi \lesssim \phi_1 \lesssim 0.9\pi \quad \cup \quad 1.1\pi \lesssim \phi_1 \lesssim 1.85\pi$$

Backgrounds

- SUSY backgrounds:

$$\tilde{g}\tilde{q}_L \rightarrow (\tilde{b}_{1,2}b) + (\tilde{\chi}_2^0q) \rightarrow (\tilde{\chi}_1^-tb) + (\tilde{\chi}_2^0q) \rightarrow (ltb) + (\ell\ell q) + E_{miss}$$

$$\tilde{g}\tilde{q}_L \rightarrow (\tilde{b}_{1,2}b) + (\tilde{\chi}_2^0q) \rightarrow (\tilde{t}_1Wb) + (\tilde{\chi}_2^0q) \rightarrow (\ell bWb) + (\ell\ell q) + E_{miss}$$

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⇒ need further studies

⇒ hopefully cannot pass reconstruction process