

# MET Cone and Mass Measurement @ LHC

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# Plan

- ☆ Warm-up for Mass Measurement with Missing Energy
- ☆ Boosted Decay Chain and Collinearity
- ☆ MET-cone Method
- ☆ 1D projection of MET-cone:  $M_{\text{test}}$  Variable
  - ☆ Definition, analytic solution and endpoints
  - ☆ Numerical results
- ☆ Test consistency
- ☆ Conclusion



# Missing Energy Event

- ☆ Missing energy event is not unusual  
-- neutrino in SM

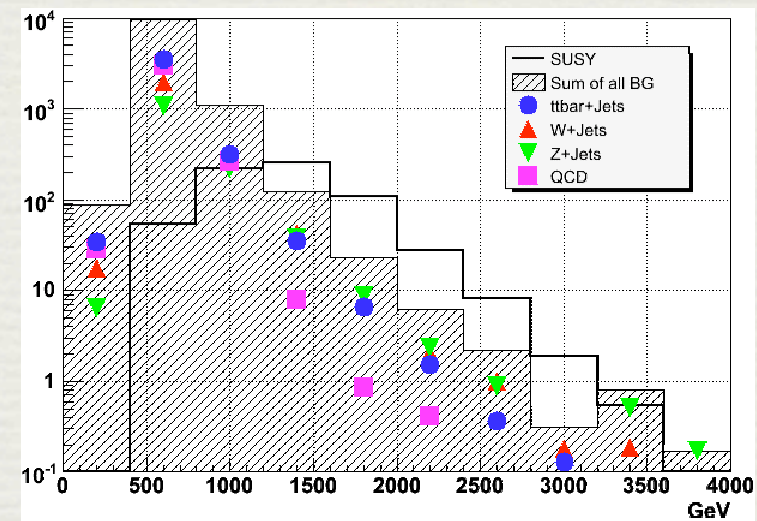
e.g.  $W \rightarrow e\nu$

- ☆ We are interested in the missing energy from new physics
- ☆ Dark matter motivation : exist (meta)stable exotic particle

- ☆ New symmetry to protect it from decay

- ☆  $Z_2$  parity --> pair production  
of stable exotics at LHC

- ☆ SUSY, UED ...





# Mass Reconstruction is Important

- ☆ Crucial for understanding the underlying physics
  - ☆ distinguish different physical models
- ☆ The dark matter connection:
  - the mass of the missing particle determines the relic density

$$\Omega_\chi h^2 \propto \frac{1}{\langle \sigma v \rangle} \sim \frac{m_\chi^2}{\alpha^2}.$$

- ☆ Comparison with direct detection and indirect detection

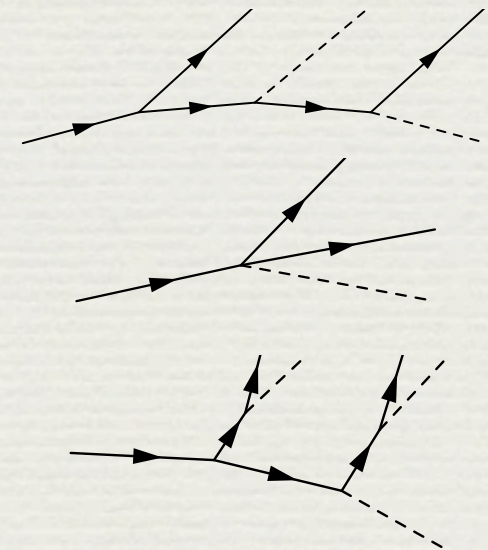
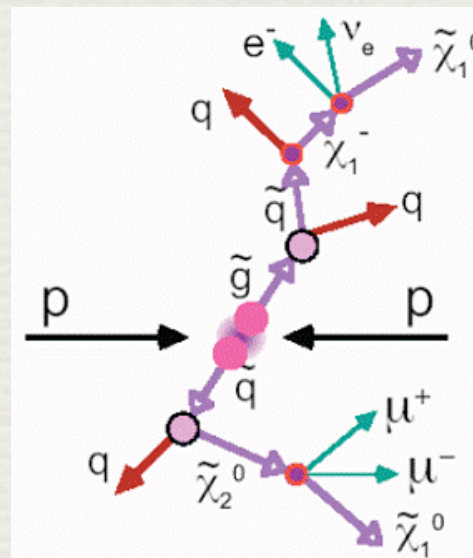
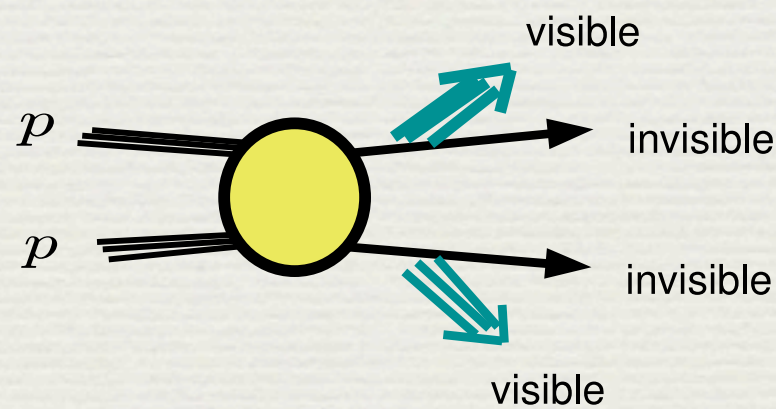
**Baltz, Battaglia, Peskin and Wizansky, hep-ph/0602187.**



# Determine the Dark Matter Mass

## *Challenging at the LHC*

- ☆ Two missing particles in each event
- ☆ Unknown parton frame leads to less constrained kinematics
- ☆ Interpretation of the signal as a particular physics process maybe complicated -- different underlying topologies or a mixture of them





# Kinematic Approaches

Demand that at least some particles are sufficiently close to their mass shells that their energy-momentum Lorentz invariant can be used to constrain their masses

Advantage: do not need to know many details of the underlying physical model (gauge group, spin etc)

**see a recent review:  
Barr and Lester, arXiv:1004.2732**

Three main categories:

☆ Invariant Mass endpoint

**Bachacou, Hinchliffe and Paige  
Lester and Summers**

☆ MT2 variable and Kink;  
variations: subsystem MT2,  
Mct,

**W.S. Cho, K. Choi, Y.G. Kim, C.B. Park  
K. Kong, K. Matchev, M. Park**

☆ Polynomial method/Mass relation method

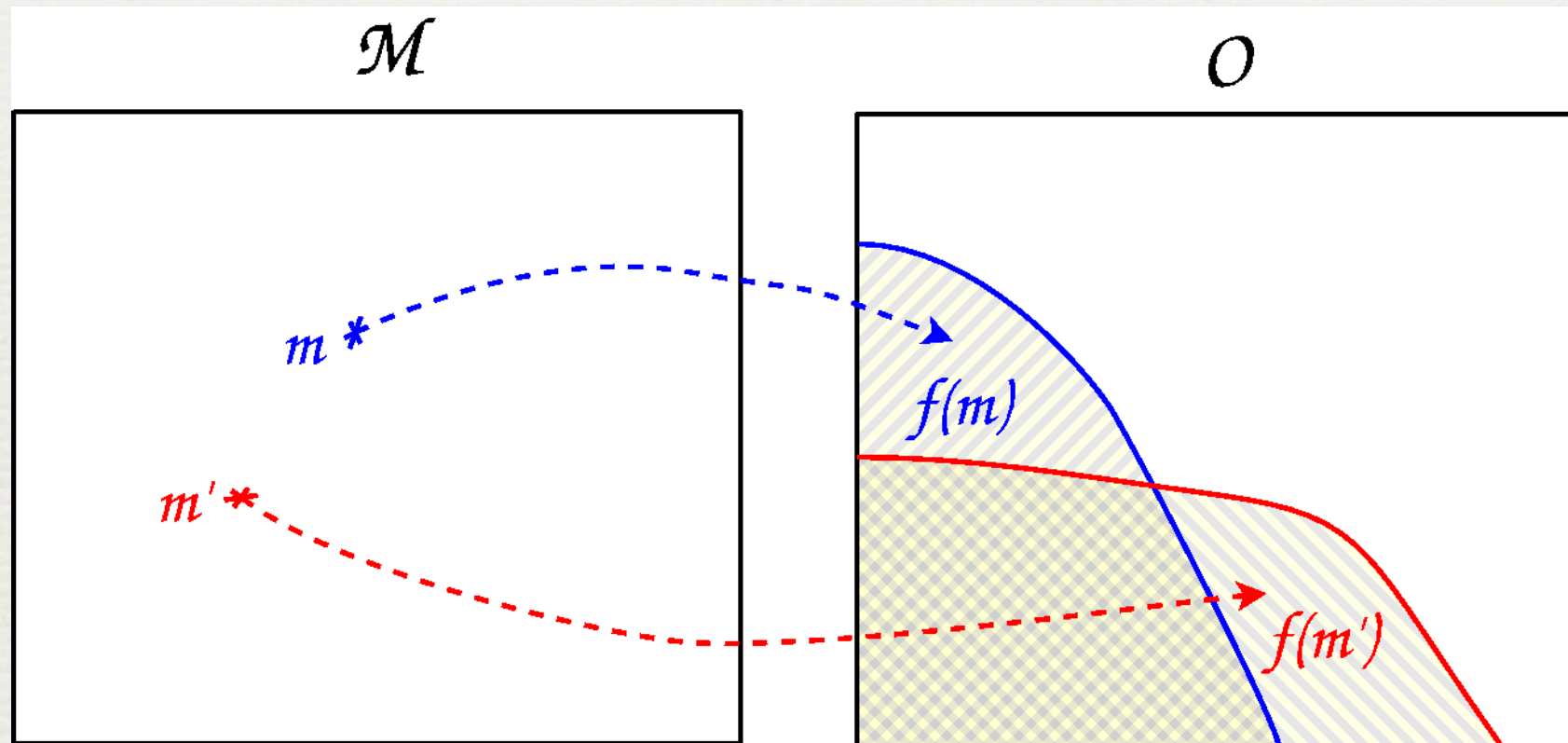
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# General Picture

- Mapping from mass space to observable space



- Consistent regions  $f(m)$
- Boundary of  $f(m)$  --> constrain masses

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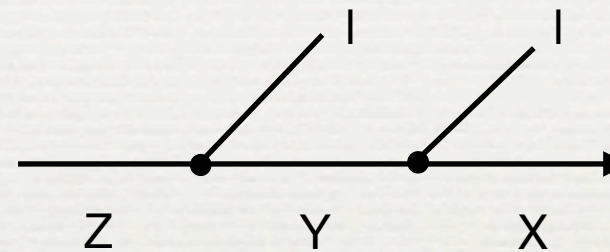
Choose the right  
observable is important !!



# Examples:

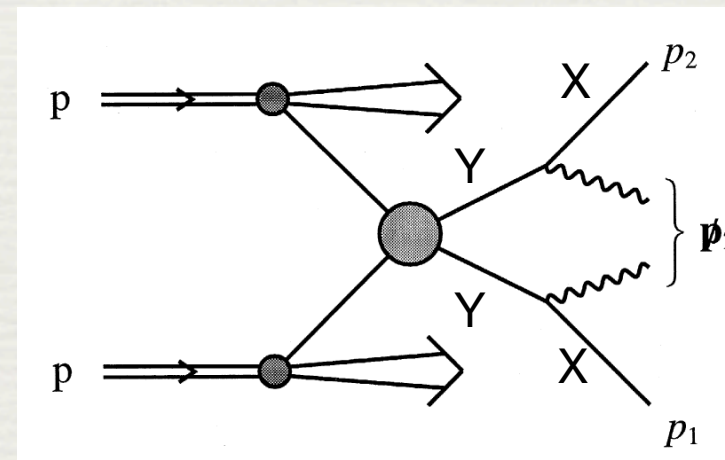
- Invariant Mass Endpoint

$$m_{ll} \leq \sqrt{(M_Z^2 - M_Y^2)(M_Y^2 - M_X^2)}/M_Y$$



- $M_{T2}$  Endpoint

$$m_{T2}^{\max}(M_Y, M_X)$$

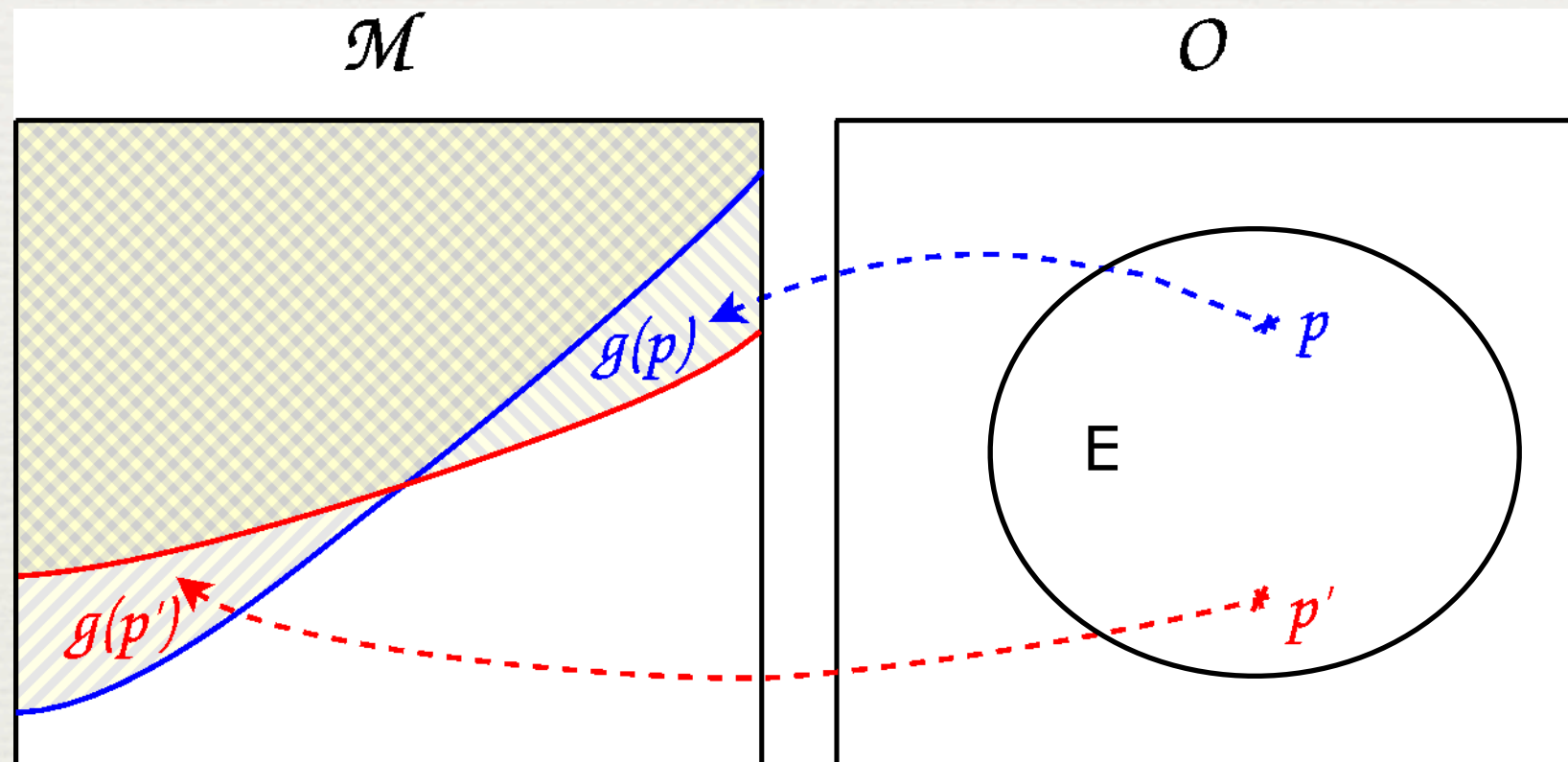


- ★ They alone can't determine the masses in events with missing energy
- ★ Combine several such observables, or looking for extra structure such as "kinks"



# General Picture

- Alternative view: Inverse map from observable space to mass space



- Consistent mass regions  $g(p)$
- For an event sample  $E$ , the intersection of  $g(p_i)$  ideally shrink to a point, but not always.

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# Polynomial method or Mass relation method

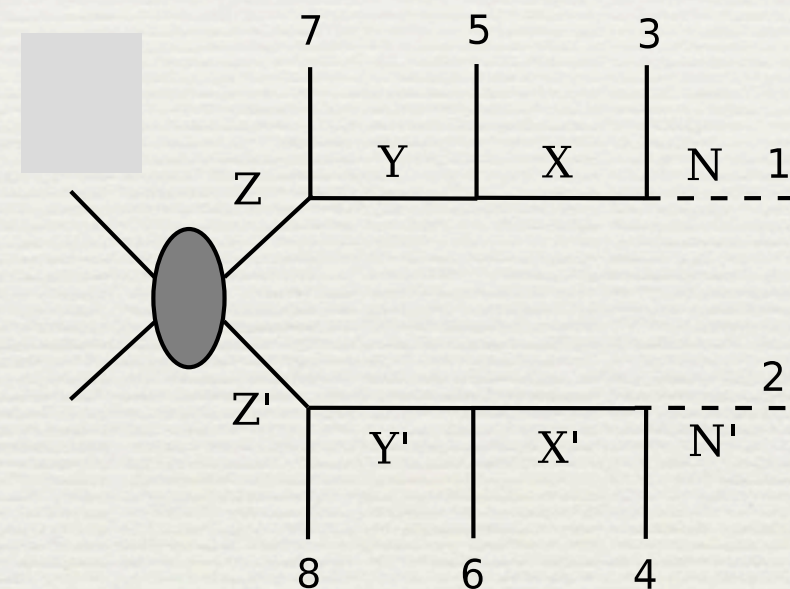
- ☆ Using On-shell conditions event-by-event

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{constraints} \geq \text{unknowns} \\ 10n. \qquad \qquad 4 + 8n \end{array}$$

- ☆ For  $n > 2$ , over-constrained system

- ☆ Require long decay chains -- at least four on-shell particles in each chain

Kawagoe, Nojiri & Polesello;  
Cheng, Gunion, Han & McElrath





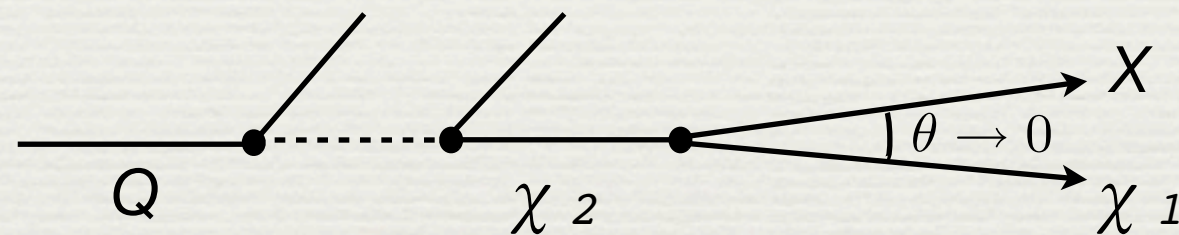
Having multiple methods is crucial

Any new ideas?



# Boosted decay is generic

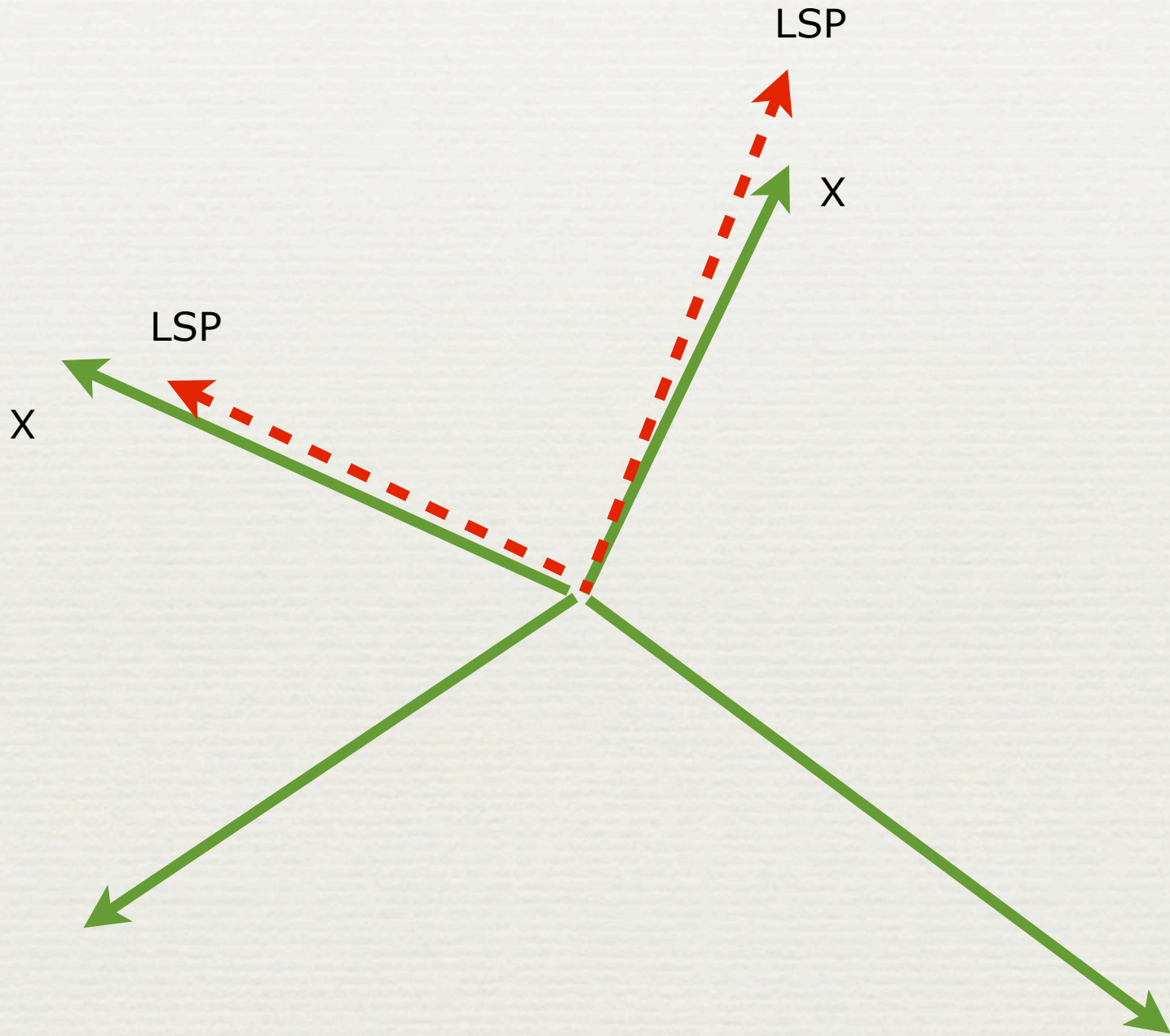
- ☆ In many new physics models: there are both heavy ( $\sim \text{TeV}$ ) exotics as well as light ( $\sim 100 \text{GeV}$ ) ones.



☆ *SUSY little hierarchy*

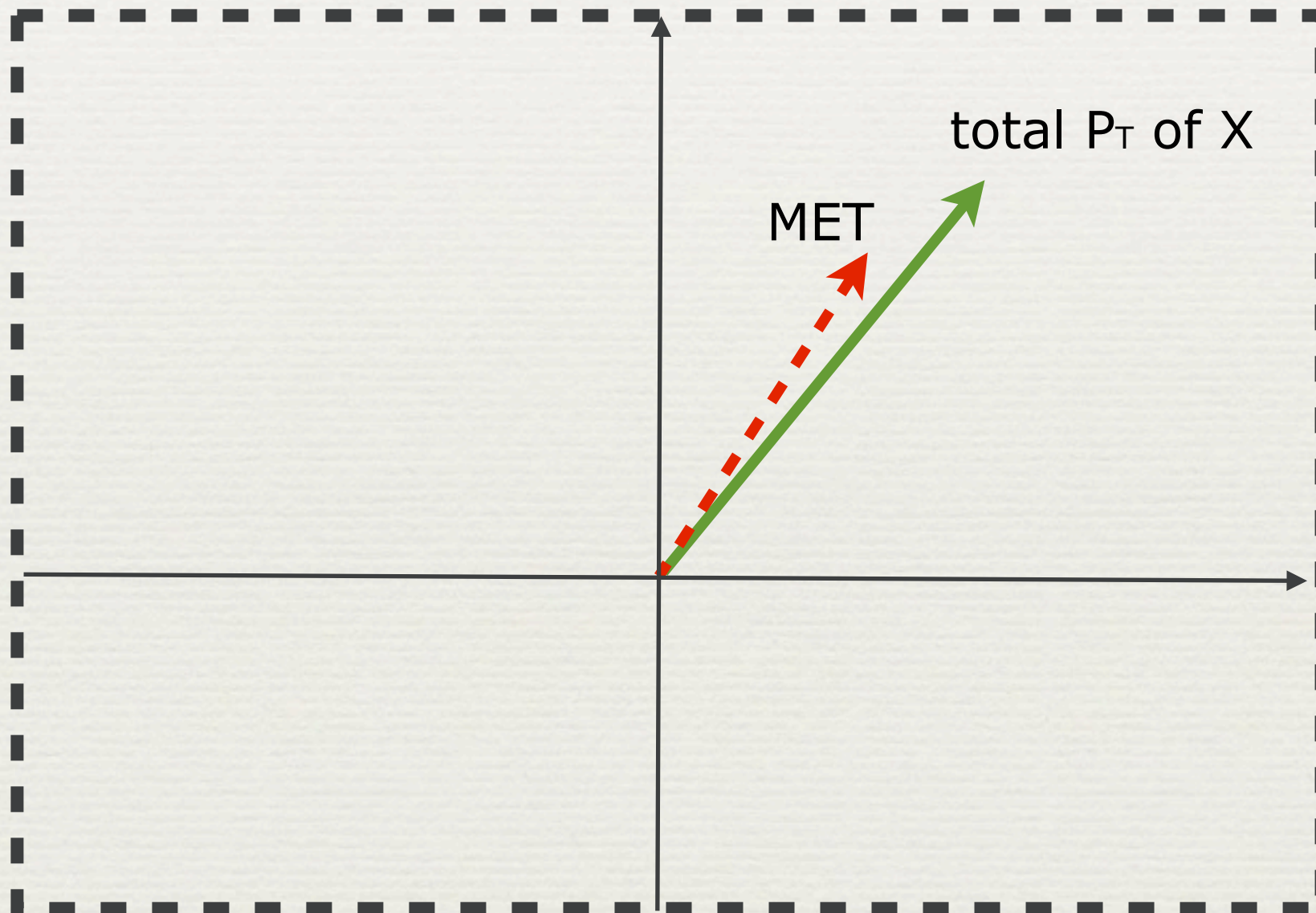
- ☆ SUSY example: squark  $\rightarrow$  q + NLSP  $\rightarrow$  q + Z + LSP
- ☆ Can we get additional handle if missing particle is approximately collinear with visible particles ?







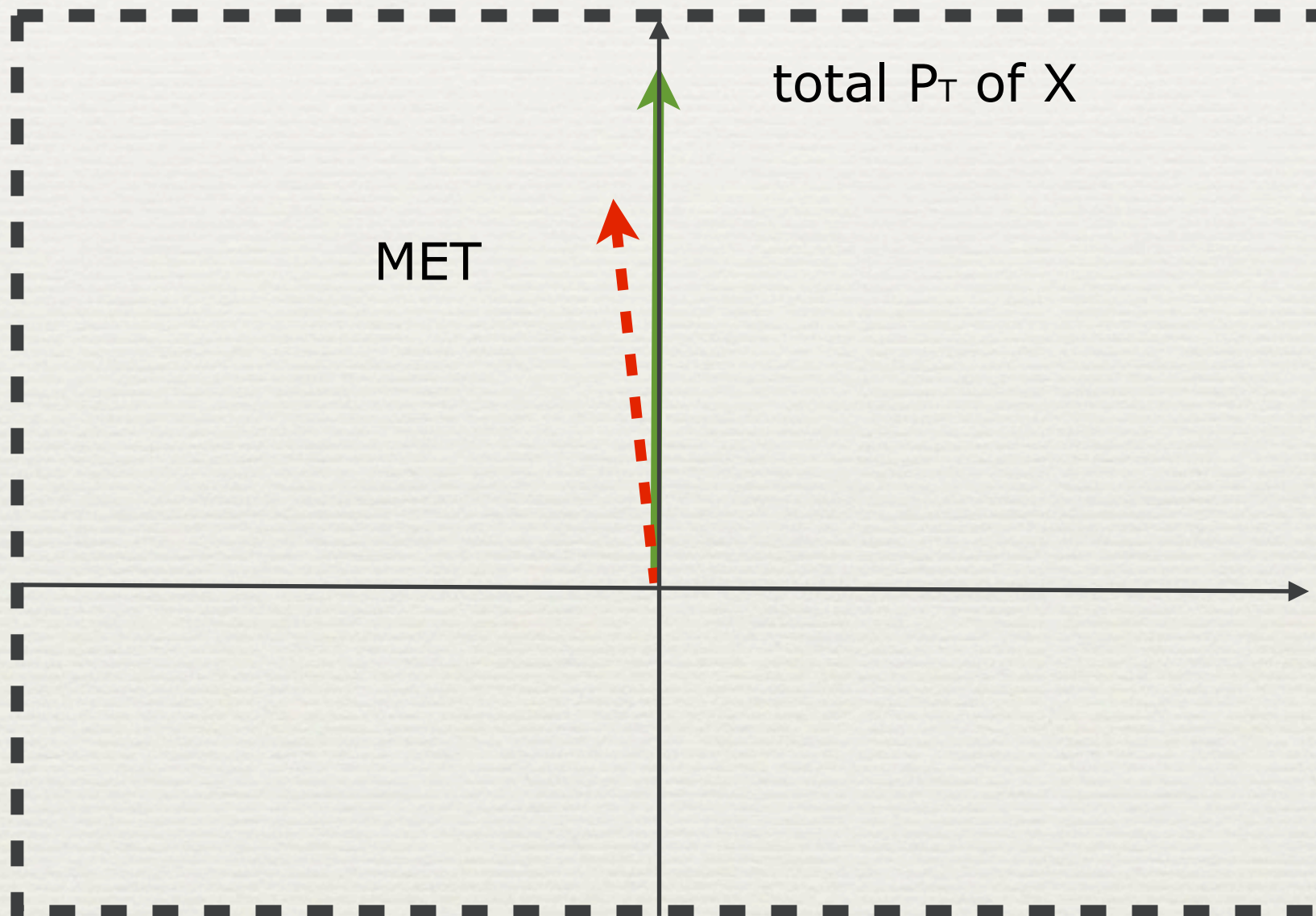
Transverse Plane





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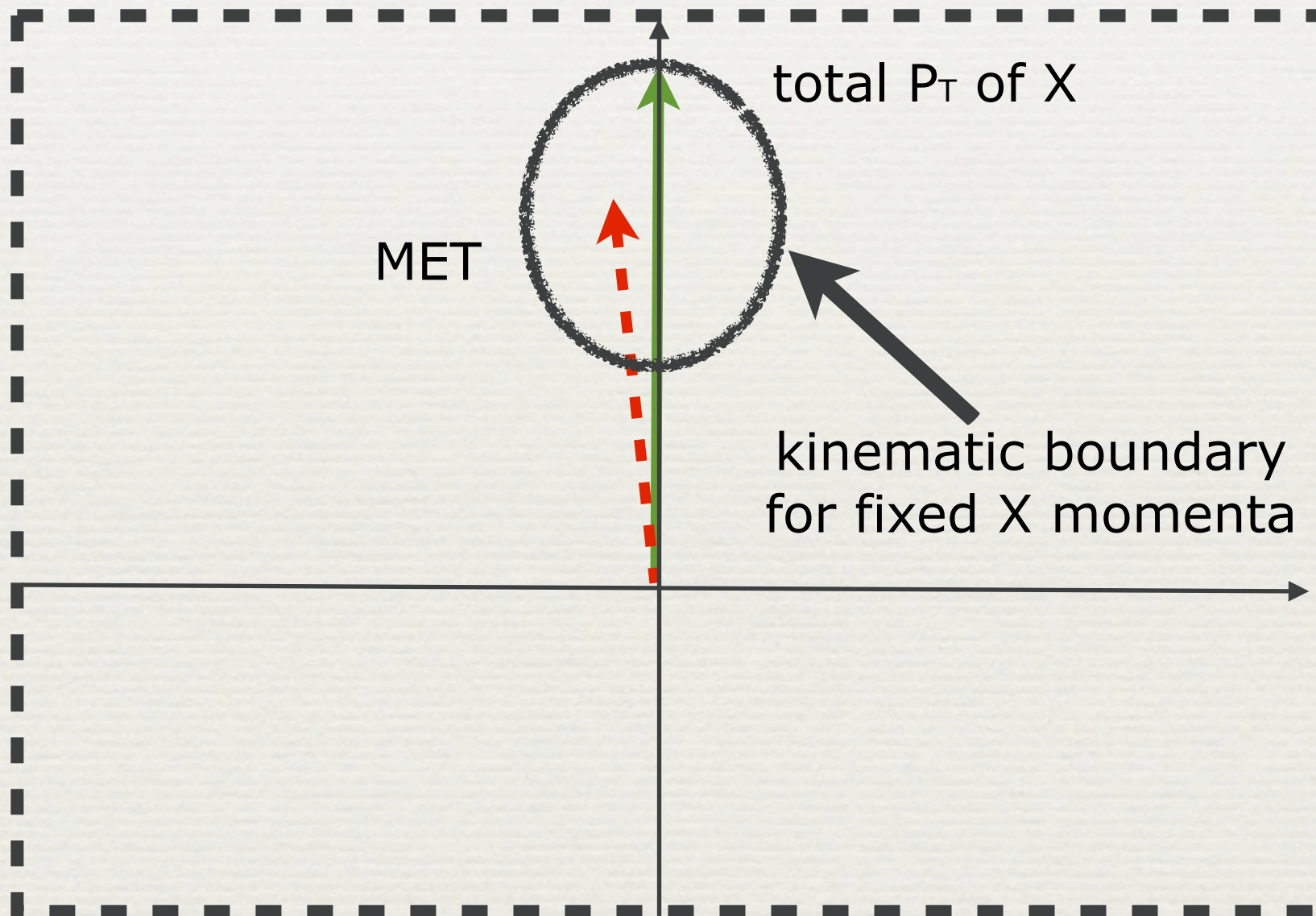
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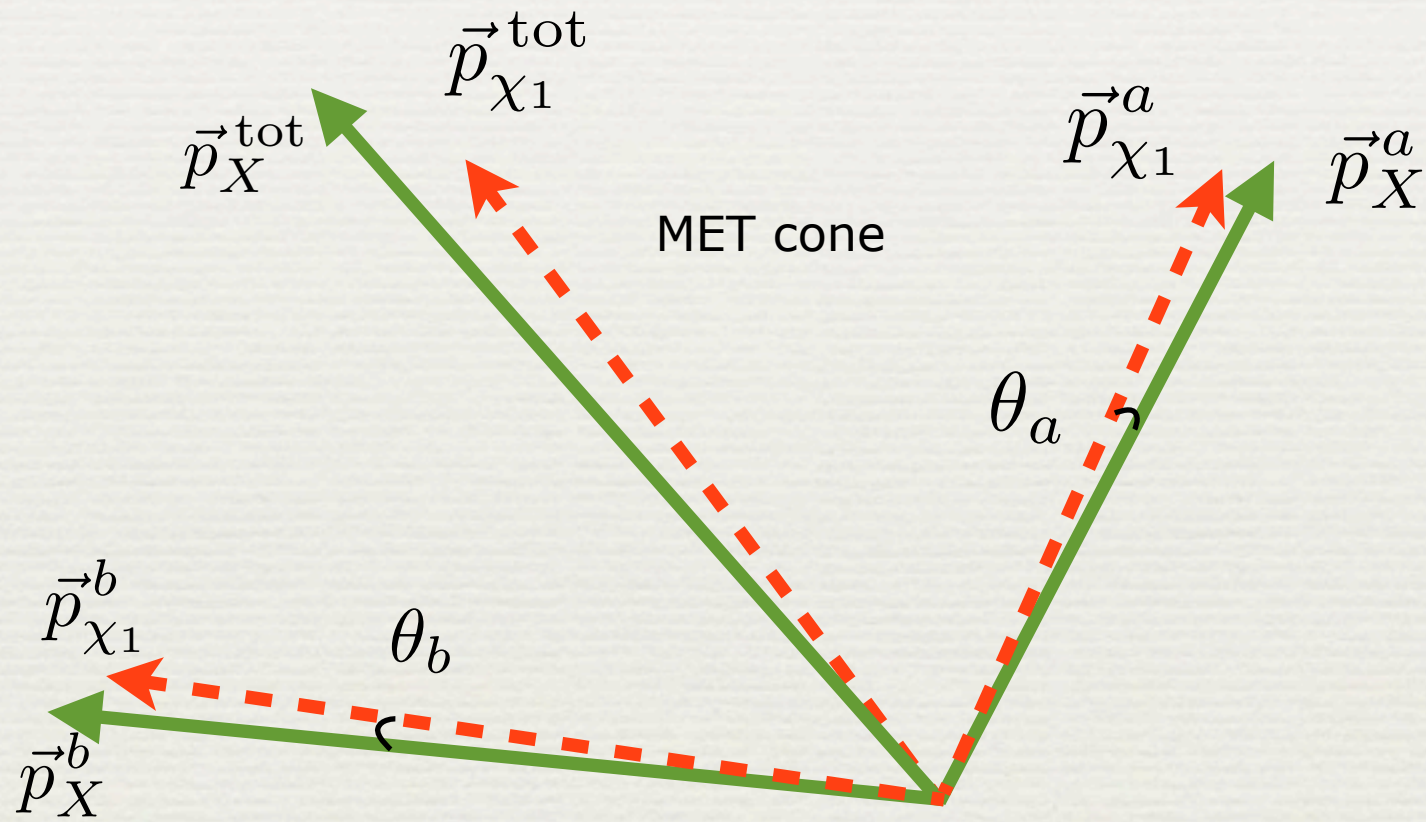
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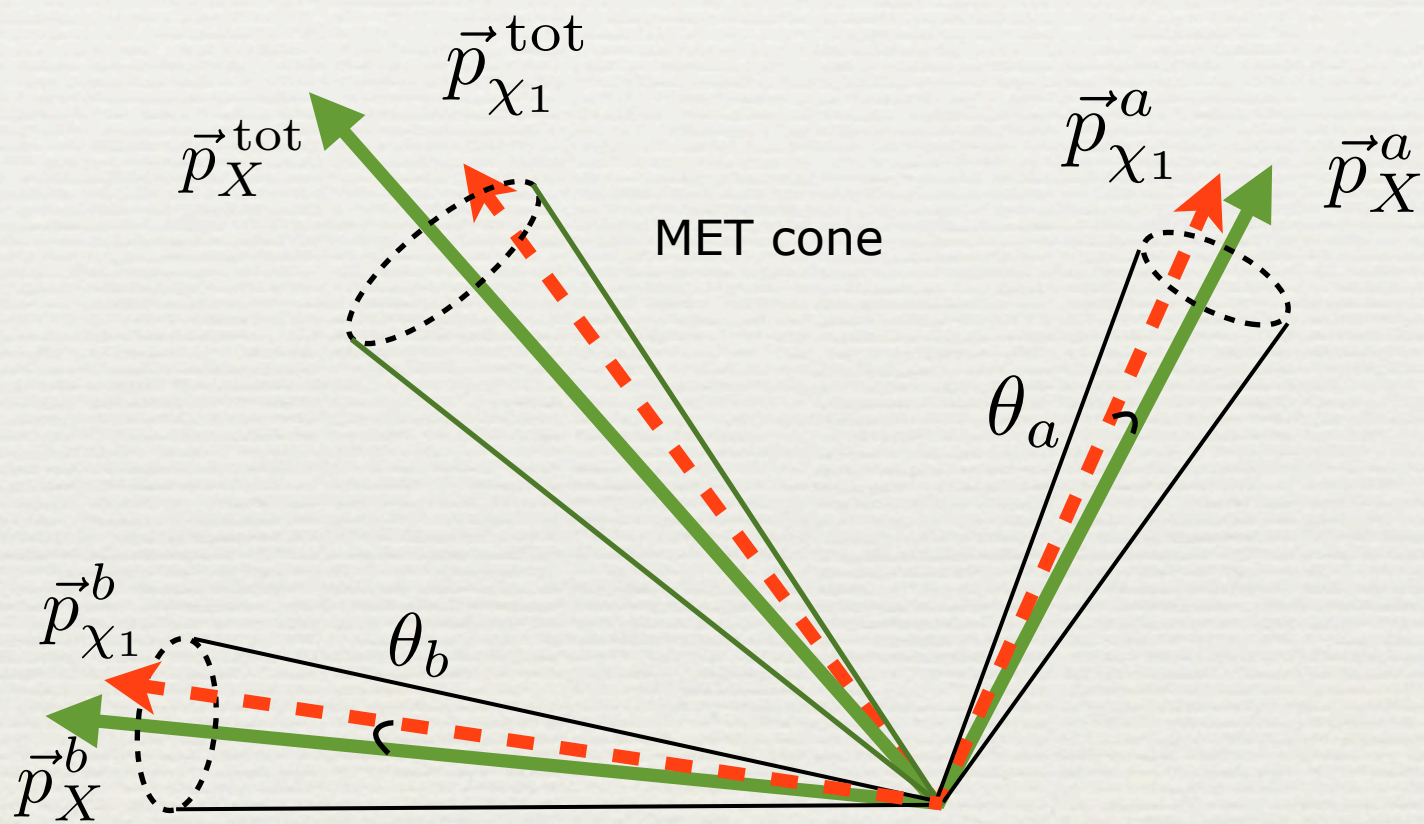


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# MET-cone method

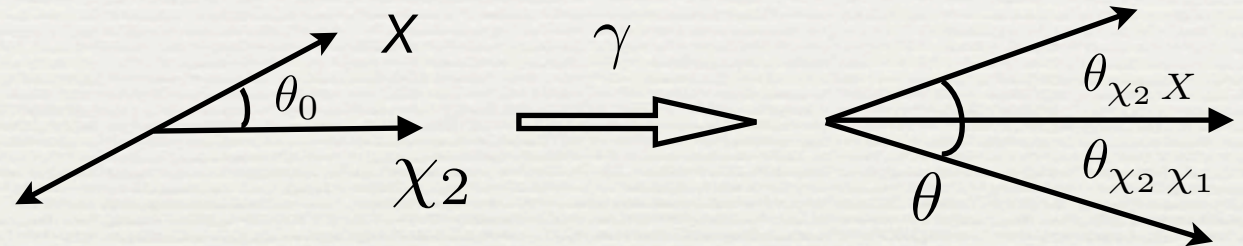
- ☆ Based on simple observations:
  - ☆ Missing momentum only allowed to vary a narrow region around visible momentum -- "MET-cone"
  - ☆ MET-cone boundary is sensitive to the underlying masses
  - ☆ This kinematic boundary depends on the visible momenta, need event-by-event analysis
- ☆ Different from other methods, we consider **the missing transverse momentum** as our observables for mass measurement



# Collinearity of the decay

- ☆ Parametrize the opening angle in the lab frame

$$\tan \theta_{\chi_2 X} = \frac{\beta_0^X}{\gamma} \left( \frac{\sin \theta_0}{\beta_0^X \cos \theta_0 + \beta} \right)$$



- ☆ Narrow range of variation  $\beta_0^X < \beta$

$\beta, \gamma$  Velocity & boost factor of NLSP

$\beta_0, \gamma_0$  Velocity & boost factor in the rest frame of NLSP

$$0 \leq \tan \theta_{\chi_2 X} \leq \frac{\beta_0^X}{\gamma \beta} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (\beta_0^X / \beta)^2}} \xrightarrow{\gamma \gg 1} \frac{\beta_0^X}{\gamma} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (\beta_0^X)^2}}$$

- ☆ Two ways to have collinear decay

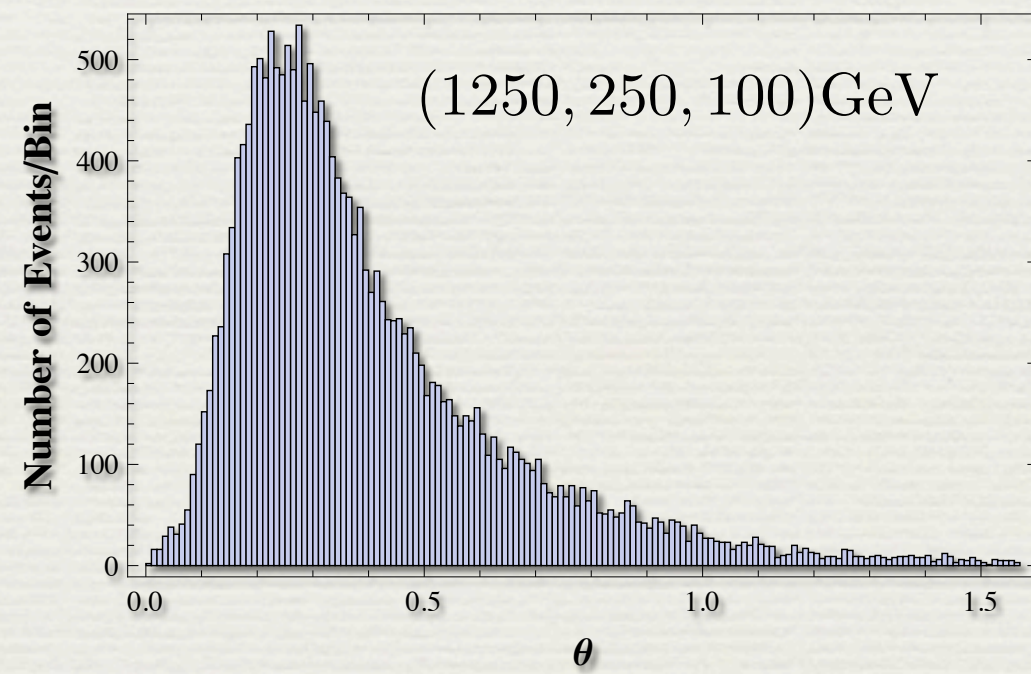
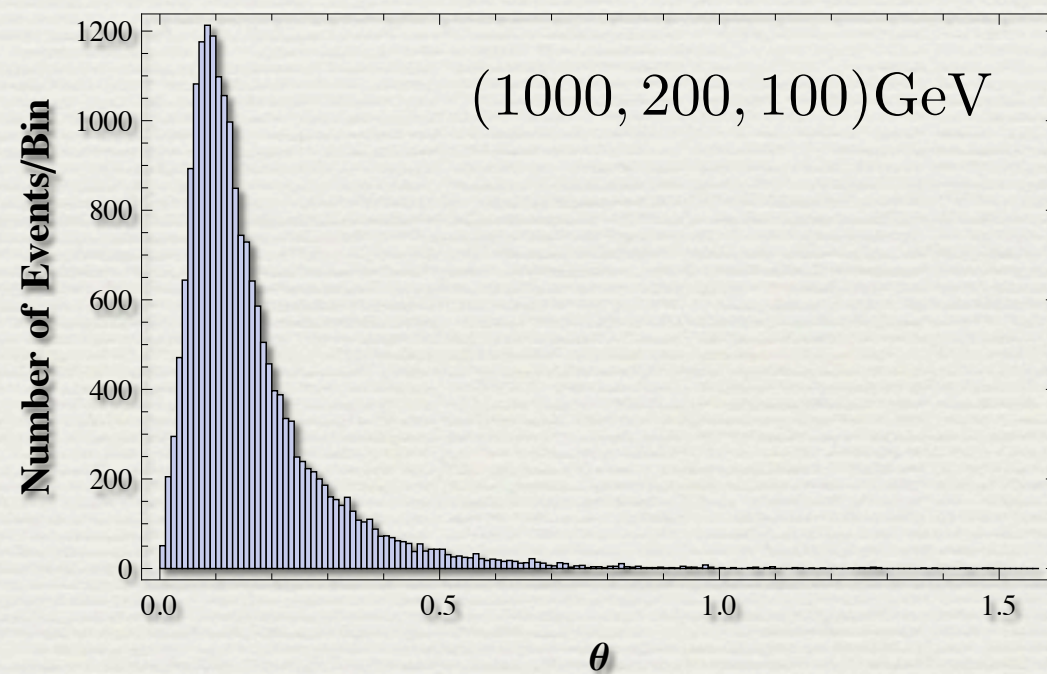
- Large boost factor  $\gamma \gg 1$
- Moderate boost factor; decay products are non-relativistic in the rest frame of the decay  $\beta_0 \ll 1$



# Collinearity of the decay

- ☆ For a given underlying physics, both boost factor and vary  $\theta_0$  according to the matrix element

$$\tilde{q}_L \rightarrow \chi_2 q \rightarrow \chi_1 Z q$$



- ☆ Boost factor decrease with increased number of steps in the cascade



# Correlation in the magnitude

- ★ Boost factors are correlated

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\chi_1} &= \gamma_{\chi_1} \beta_{\chi_1} m_{\chi_1} & \gamma_{\chi_1} &= \gamma \gamma_0^{\chi_1} (1 + \beta \beta_0^{\chi_1} \cos \theta) \\ p_X &= \gamma_X \beta_X m_X. & \gamma_X &= \gamma \gamma_0^X (1 - \beta \beta_0^X \cos \theta) \end{aligned}$$

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- ★ In the limit  $\beta_0 \ll 1$ , two boost factors equal
- ★ the ratio mainly depend on  $\theta_0$ , mildly dependence on the boost factor  $\gamma$



# Finding MET-Cone boundary

- ☆ For a given visible particle configuration, what is the allowed region of MET ?

Given  $\gamma_a^X, \gamma_b^X, \theta_{ab}^X$   $\theta_{\text{beam}}, \phi_{\text{beam}}$   $m_{\chi_1}, m_{\chi_2}, m_X$

No need to know the boost factor of NLSP!

Parameterize MET by the rest frame angles

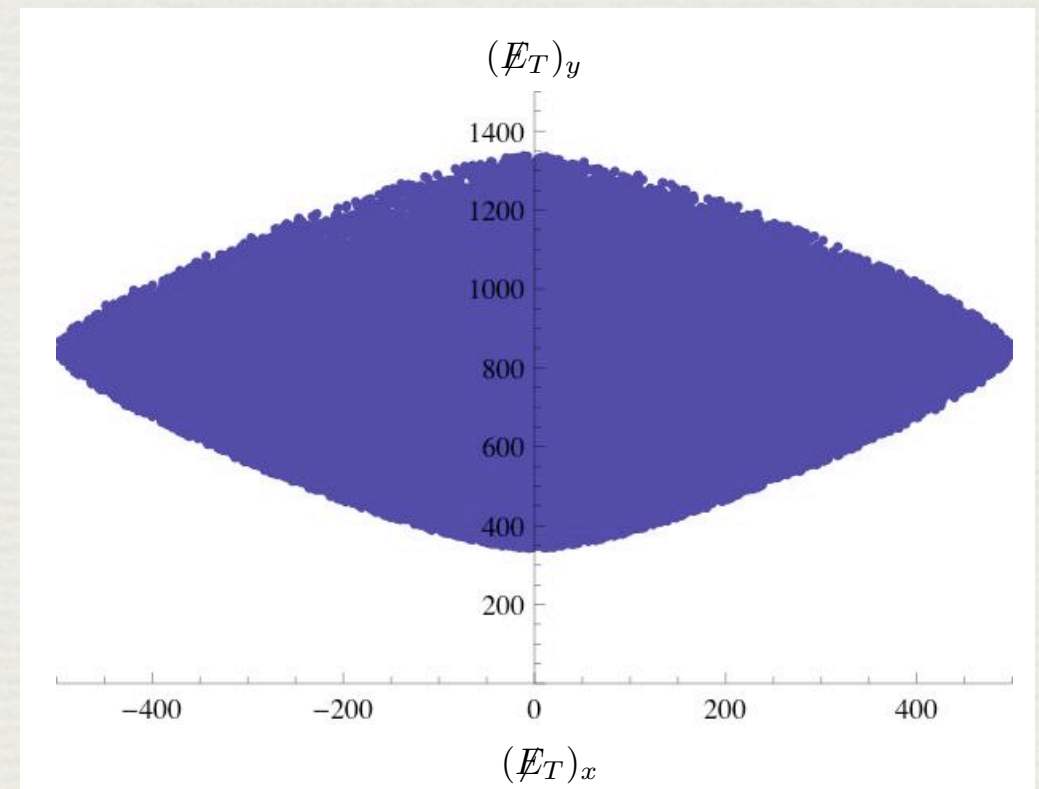
$$\theta_{a,0}, \theta_{b,0}, \phi_{a,0}, \phi_{b,0}$$

- ☆ No analytic formula for the boundary. Need sampling the phase space
- ☆ A simple example:

$$\chi_2 \rightarrow \chi_1 Z$$

$$m_{\chi_2} = 200 \text{ GeV}, m_{\chi_1} = 100 \text{ GeV}.$$

$$\gamma_{a,b}^X = 5 \quad \theta_{ab}^X = \pi/2 \quad \theta_{\text{beam}} = 0$$

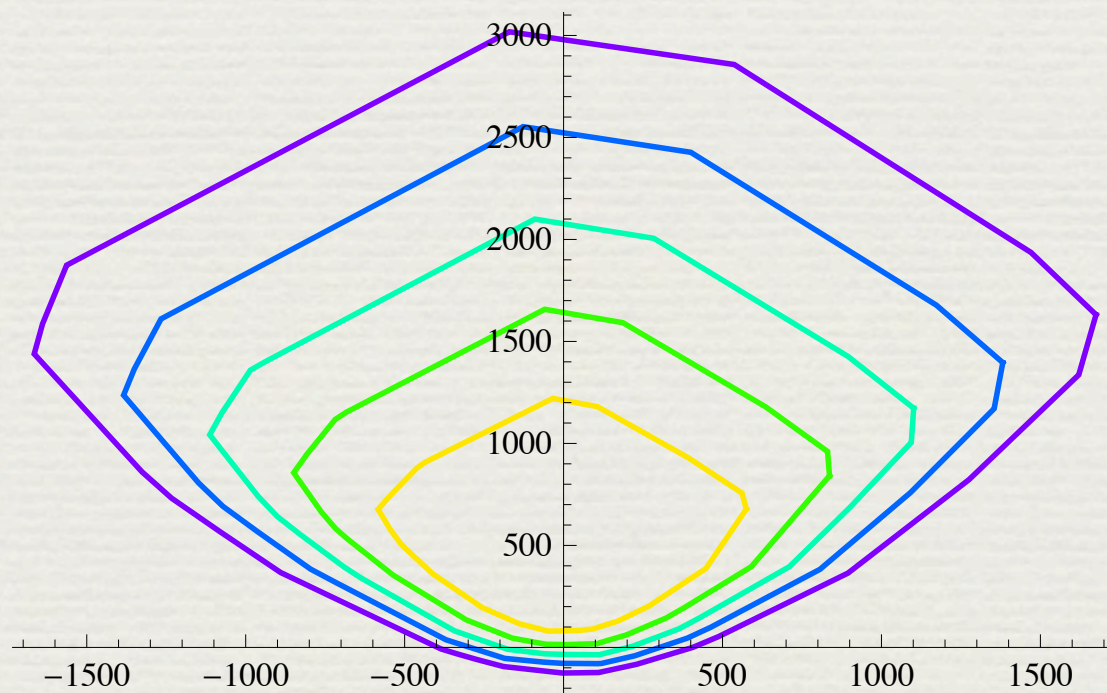




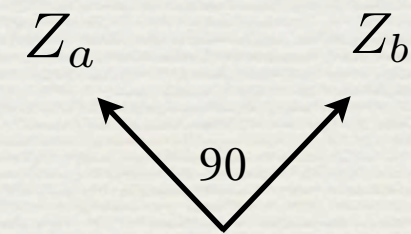
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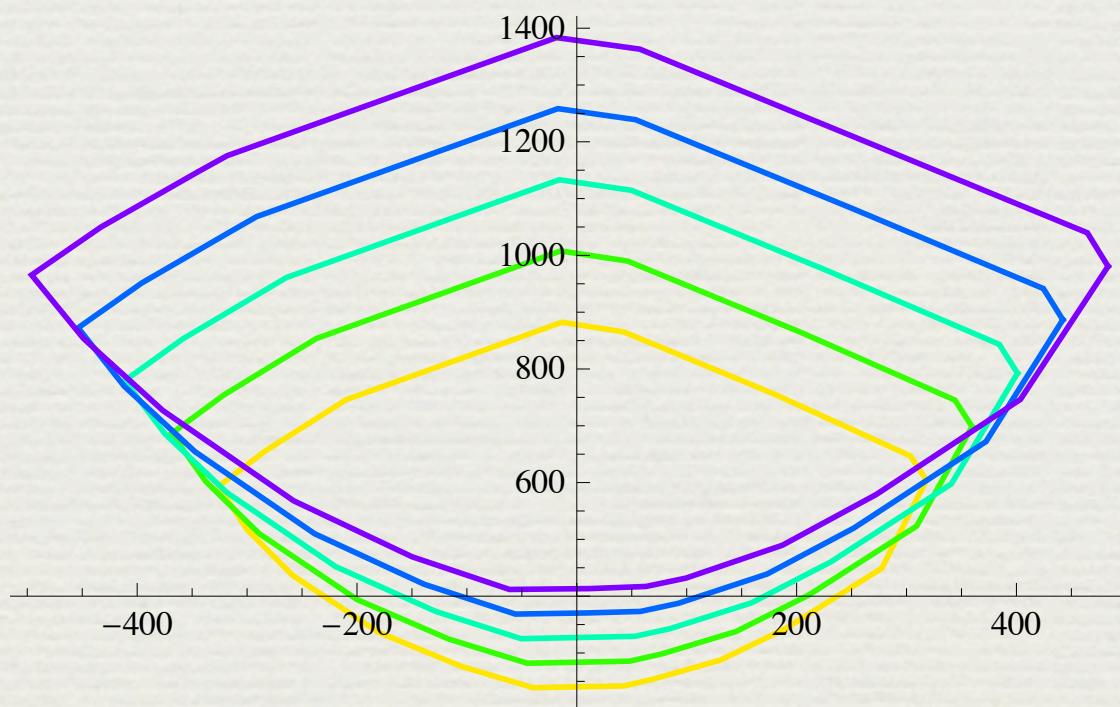
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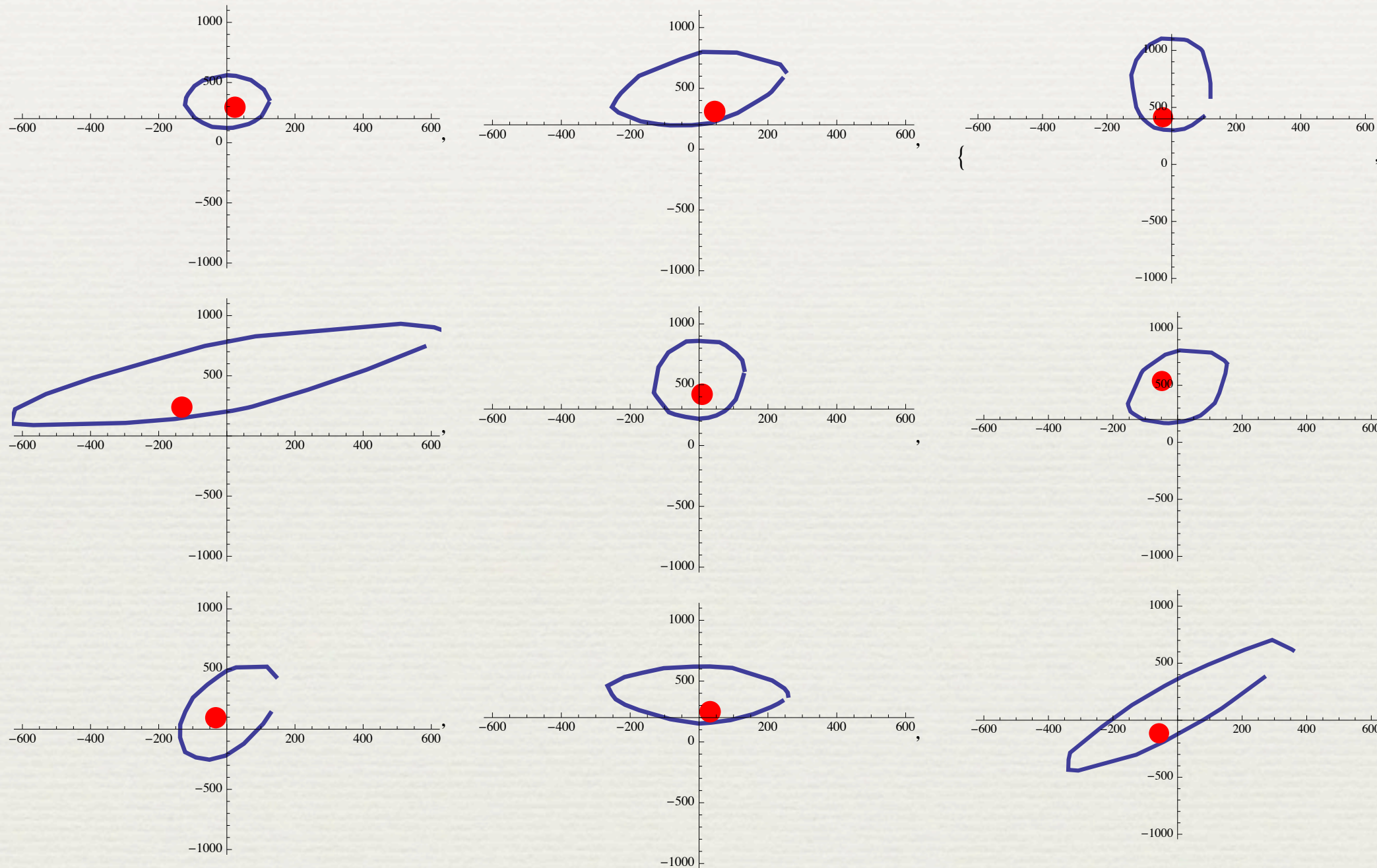
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# Reconstructed MET-cone boundary from random events -- Assume correct mass



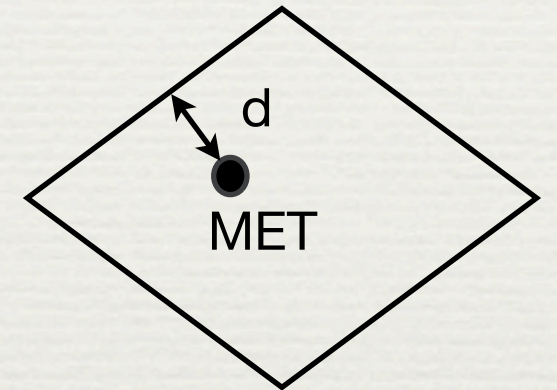
MET must be inside if the correct masses were used



# MET-cone: application for mass measurement

- ☆ For a set of events and trial masses, the MET-cone boundary can be determined by the Z momenta event-by-event.

- ☆ The correct masses are those that lead to the smallest MET-cone that enclose all the MET points



$$d_{\min} \rightarrow 0$$

- ☆ More systematically, compare the statistical likelihood of a MET data under different mass hypotheses.

Detailed numerical evaluation of this method is under investigation.





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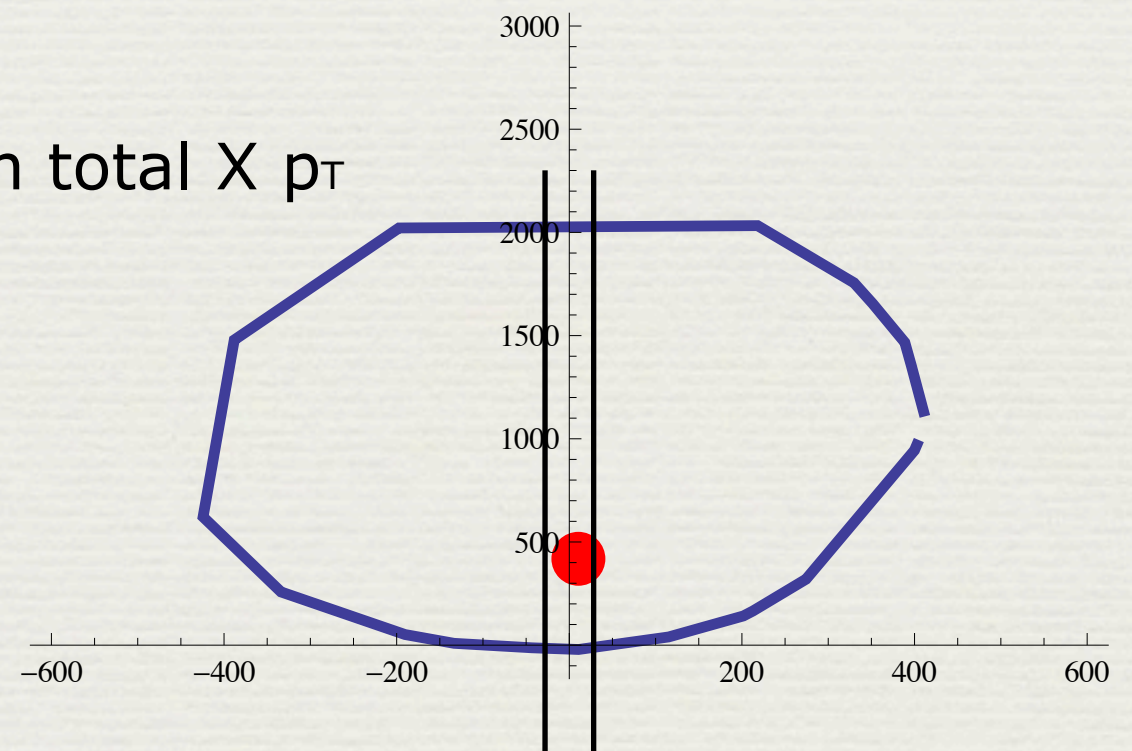
Yes, We can construct a variable independent of the X momenta, and has lower and upper endpoints.



# A 1D projection of the MET-cone

- ☆ Focus on events where MET is in narrow window around y-axis (i.e. the direction of the total  $X p_T$ )
- ☆ Expect two boundaries, but vary event by event
- ☆ Finite variation in the ratio between total  $X p_T$  and total missing  $p_T$
- ☆ Rescale x & y coordinates:

$$\begin{array}{l} \cancel{p}_{T,y} \\ \cancel{p}_{T,x} \end{array} \xrightarrow{\text{green arrow}} \begin{array}{l} m_X \cancel{p}_{T,y} / p_{X,T}^{\text{tot}} \\ \cancel{p}_{T,x} / E_T \end{array}$$



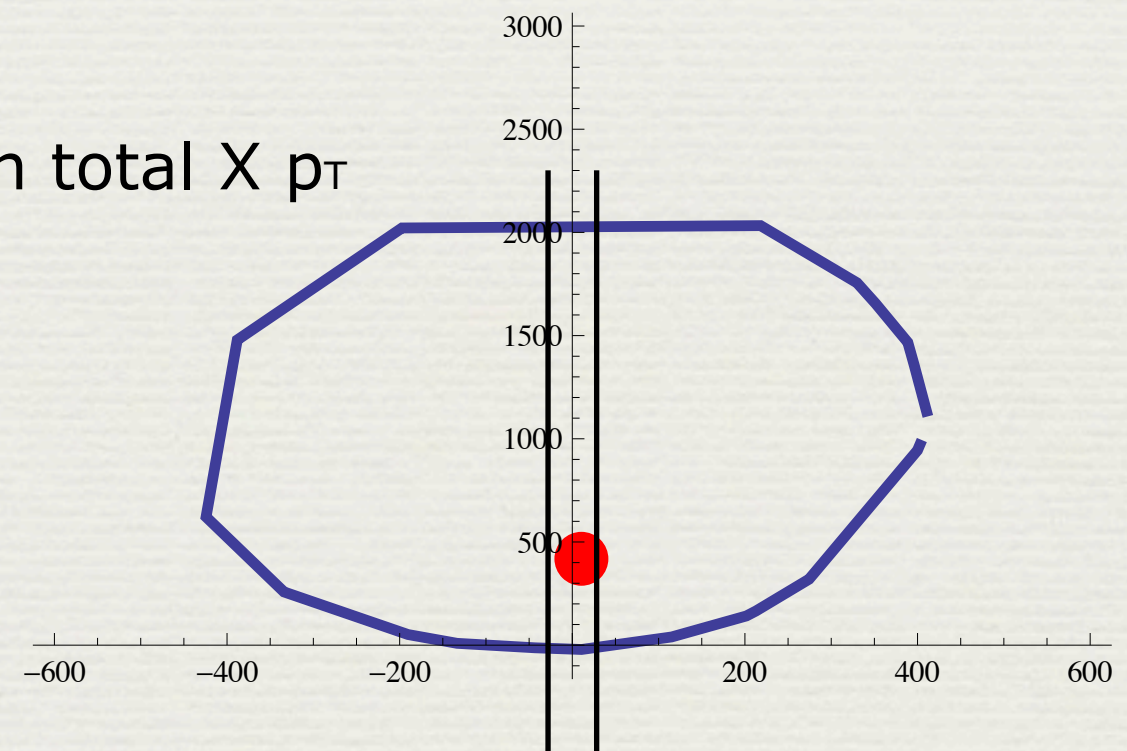


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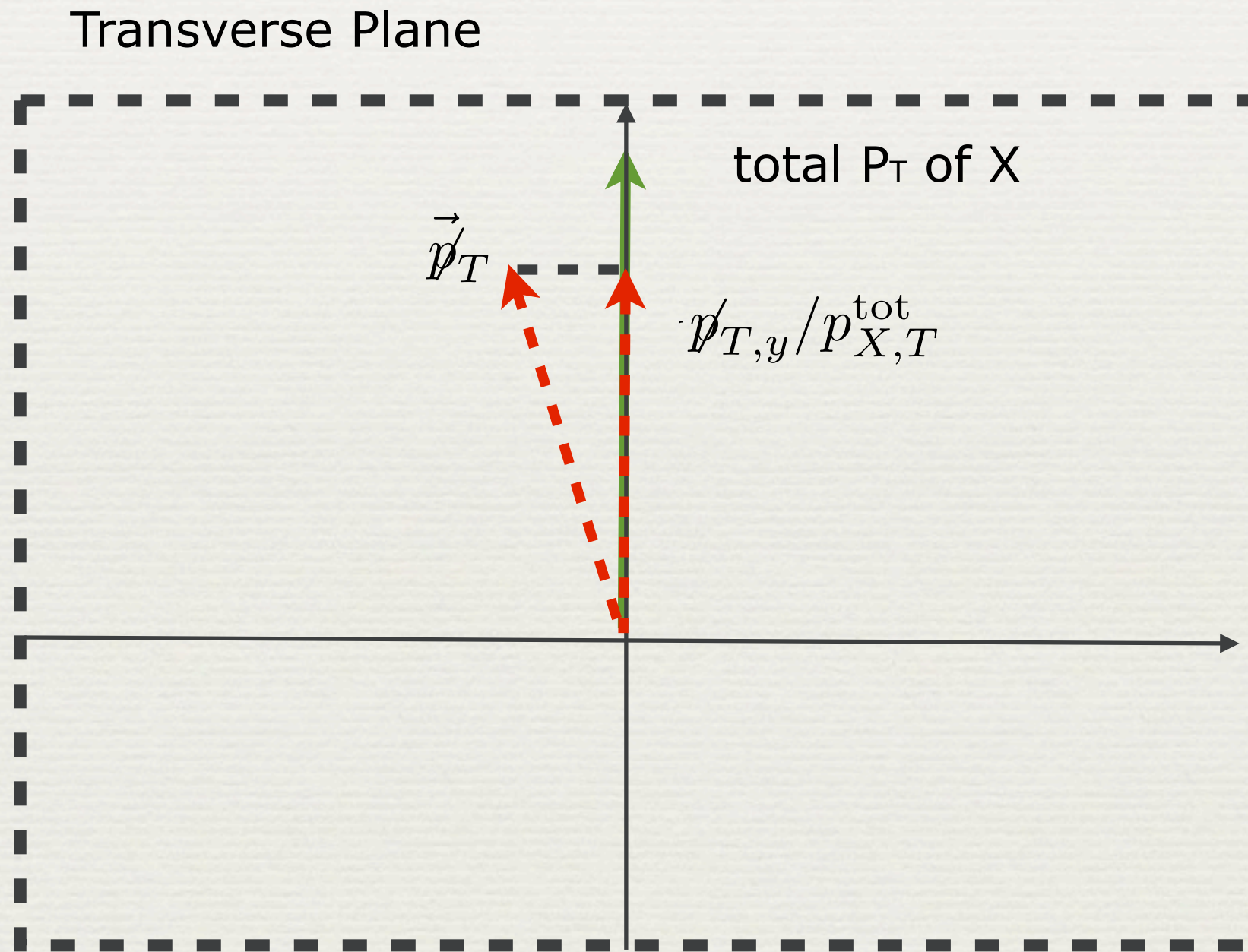
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$m_{\chi_1}^{\text{test}}$





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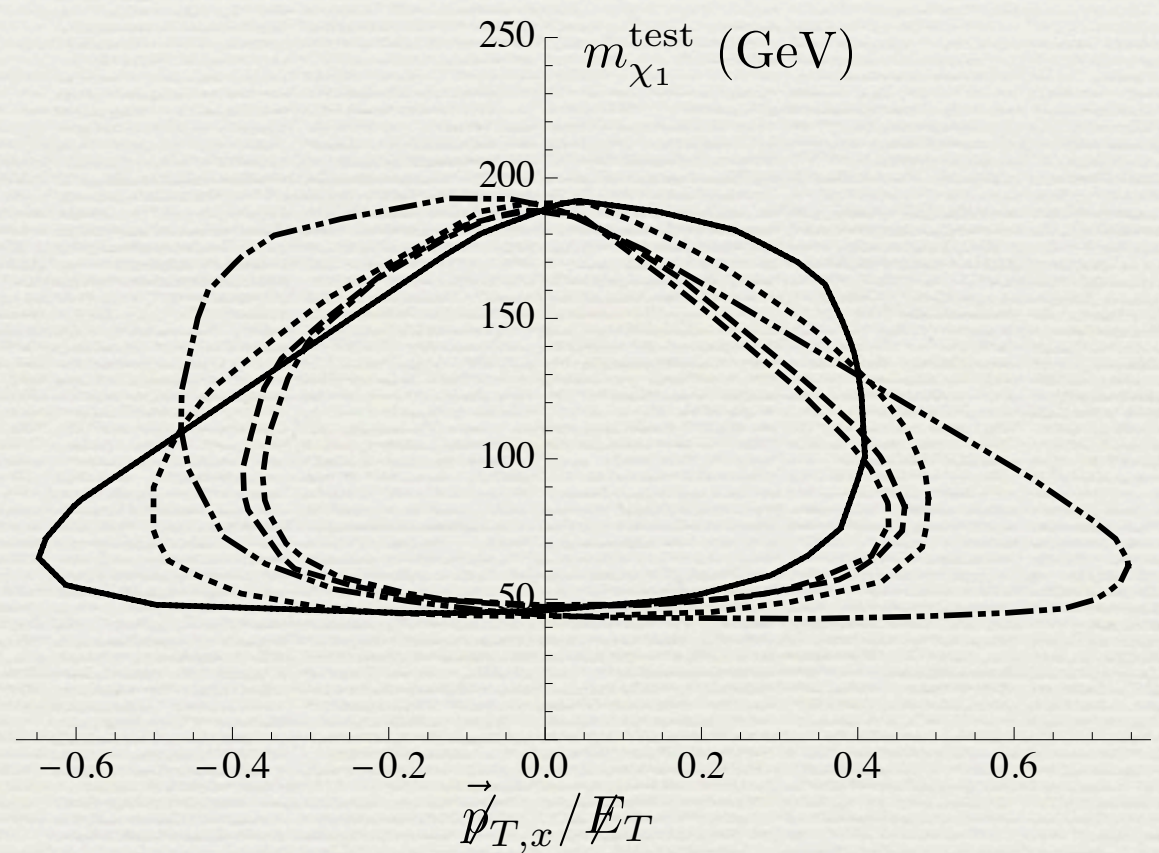
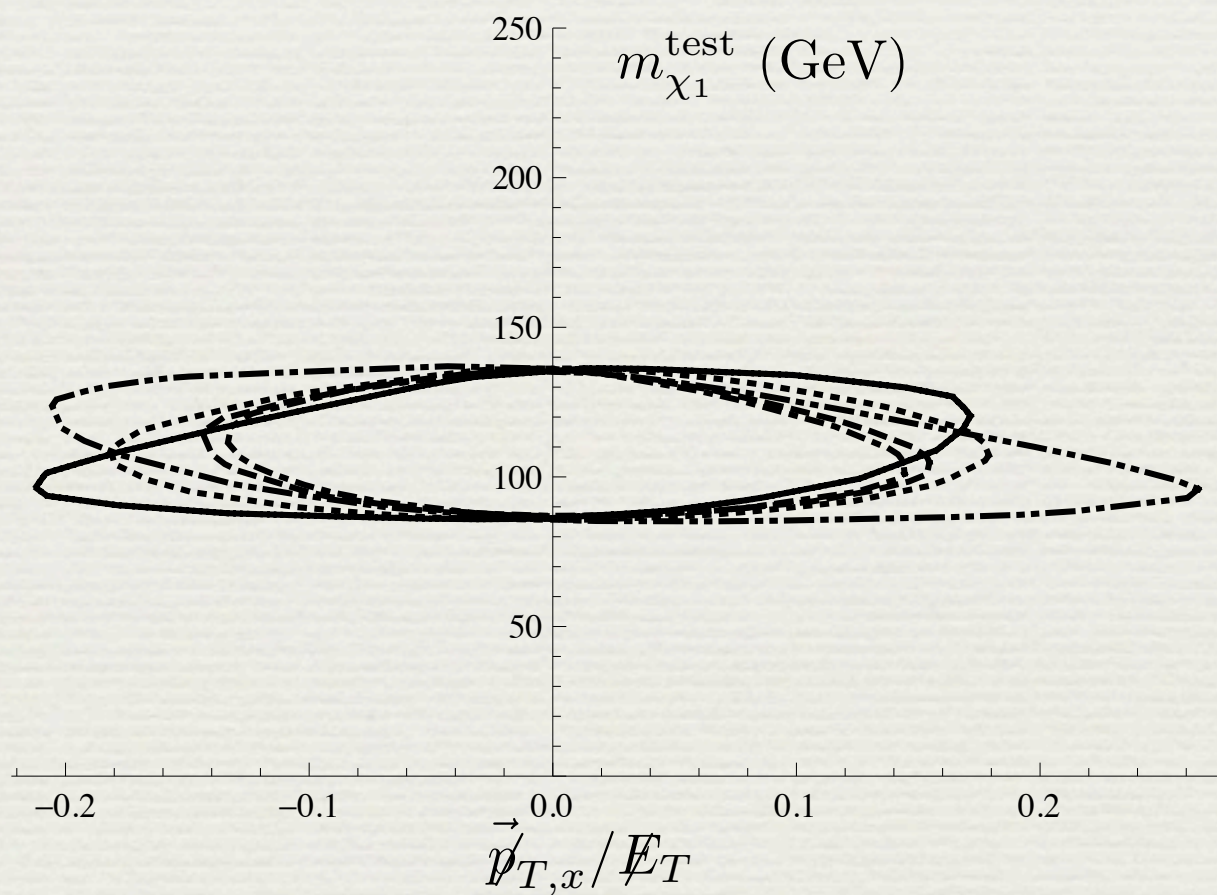


# Rescaled MET-cone

- ☆ After rescaling, endpoints are fixed for all events !

$(m_{\chi_2}, m_{\chi_1}, m_Z)$  (200, 109.9, 90)

(200 100 90)



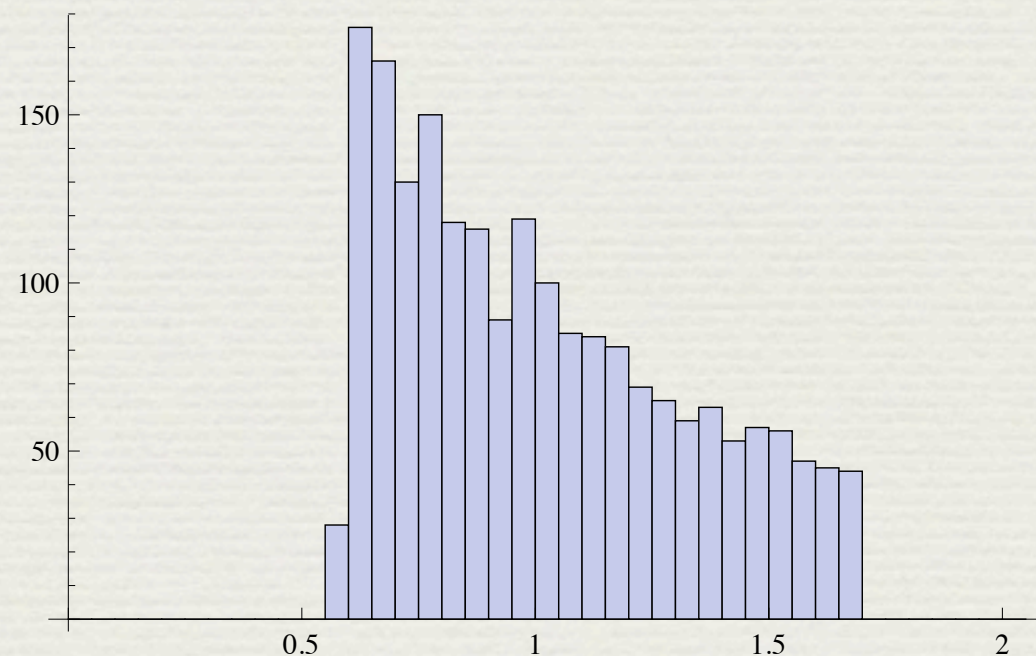


# Analytic solution of Mtest

- ★ Take the limit  $|\vec{p}_{T,x}/E_T| \rightarrow 0$ , and use the collinear approx.
- ★ Consider a simple case: X's in the transverse plane.
- ★ Leading order result:

$$m^{\text{test}} \approx m_{X1} \frac{\gamma_0^{X1}}{\gamma_0^X} \frac{1 + \beta \beta_0^{X1} \cos \theta_{a,0}}{1 - \beta \beta_0^X \cos \theta_{a,0}}$$

- ★ Ideal shape (assume flat prior for theta)



$$p_{X1} = \gamma_{X1} \beta_{X1} m_{X1}$$

$$p_X = \gamma_X \beta_X m_X.$$

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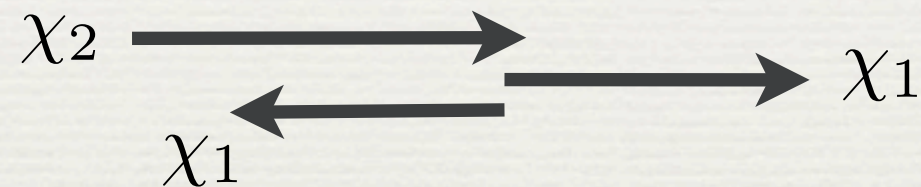
$$\gamma_X = \gamma \gamma_0^X (1 - \beta \beta_0^X \cos \theta)$$

$$\frac{\gamma_{X1}^b \beta_{X1}^b}{\gamma_X^b \beta_X^b} = \frac{\gamma_{X1}^a \beta_{X1}^a}{\gamma_X^a \beta_X^a} \left( 1 + \mathcal{O}(\theta_{a,b}) \right);$$



# Mtest endpoints

- ☆ There are two endpoints, corresponding to  $\theta_0 \rightarrow 0, \pi$



$$m_{\min}^{\text{test}} = m_{\chi_1} \frac{\gamma_0^{\chi_1}}{\gamma_0^X} \frac{1 - \beta \beta_0^{\chi_1}}{1 + \beta \beta_0^X}$$

$$m_{\max}^{\text{test}} = m_{\chi_1} \frac{\gamma_0^{\chi_1}}{\gamma_0^X} \frac{1 + \beta \beta_0^{\chi_1}}{1 - \beta \beta_0^X}$$

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- ☆ **Punchline:** endpoints only depend on the masses  
 $\rightarrow$  measure these endpoints experimentally can determine these masses



# non-collinear effects

- ☆  $M_{\text{test}}$  not invariant under boost -- subject to non-collinear correction

$$m_{\chi_1}^{\text{test}} \approx m_{\chi_1} \frac{\gamma_0^{\chi_1}}{\gamma_0^X} \frac{1 + \beta \beta_0^{\chi_1} \cos \theta_0^a}{1 - \beta \beta_0^X \cos \theta_0^a} \left( 1 - \cot \theta_{ab} \cos \phi_a \theta_a + \frac{\cos \phi_b}{\sin \theta_{ab}} \theta_b \right)$$

- ☆ endpoints get smeared;
- ☆ prefer small  $\theta$ , not too small  $\theta_{ab}^X$
- ☆ If  $X$ 's not in the transverse plane, extra projection needed -- more complicated in the above  $\theta$  expansion



# Quick Summary

- ☆ MET-cone method
- ☆ A simple 1D variable  $m_{\text{test}}$  for mass measurement
- ☆ How well this works in practice?



# Monte Carol simulation

- ☆ Generate 20k events for SUSY squark production, using MadGraph 2-->6 matrix element

$$pp \rightarrow \tilde{q}_L \tilde{q}_L \rightarrow q \tilde{\chi}_1 Z q \tilde{\chi}_1 Z$$

- ☆ Assume Z's are reconstructed using the leptonic decay. The SM backgrounds is negligible for 4 leptons, 2 jets plus MET

- ☆ No detector smearing included-- to be included later.

- ☆ Parton-level cuts

$$p_T^Z > 50 \text{ GeV} \quad |\eta^Z| < 3$$

$$|\eta^{Z,\text{tot}}| < 1 \quad \pi/3 < \theta_{a,b}^Z < 2/3\pi \quad \text{two Z's opening angle}$$

$$\cancel{E}_T > 200 \text{ GeV} \quad |\cancel{p}_{T,x} / \cancel{E}_T| < 0.15$$

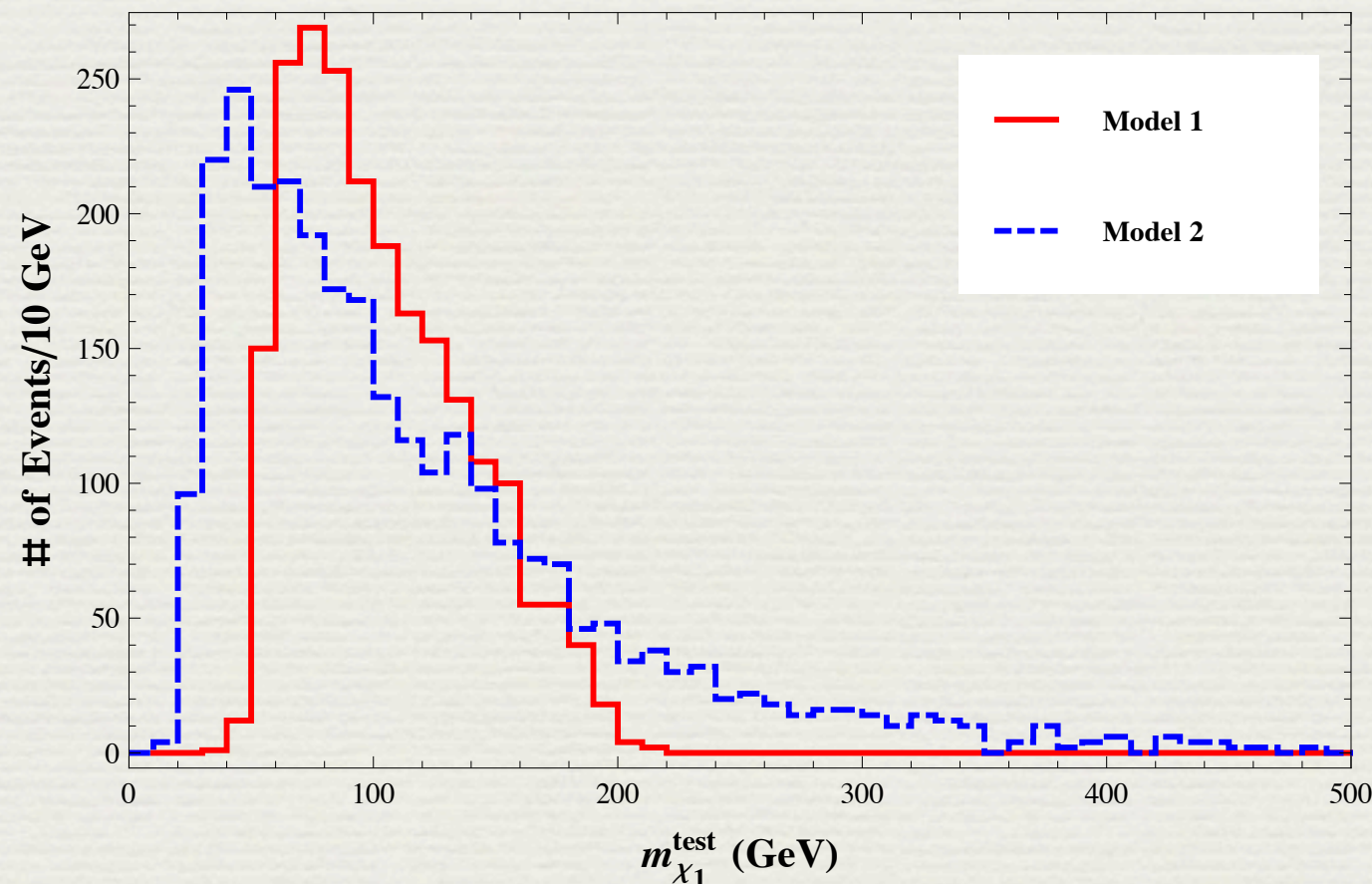


# $M_{\text{test}}$ distributions

Model 1 :  $M_1=100$ ,  $M_2=200$ ,  $M_Q=1\text{TeV}$ . Moderate boost with small  $\beta_0$

Model 2 :  $M_1=100$ ,  $M_2=250$ ,  $M_Q=1.25\text{TeV}$ . Moderate boost with larger  $\beta_0$

True endpoints: Model 1 (54.6, 183.2) GeV; Model 2 (21.6, 463) GeV





# Fit of endpoints

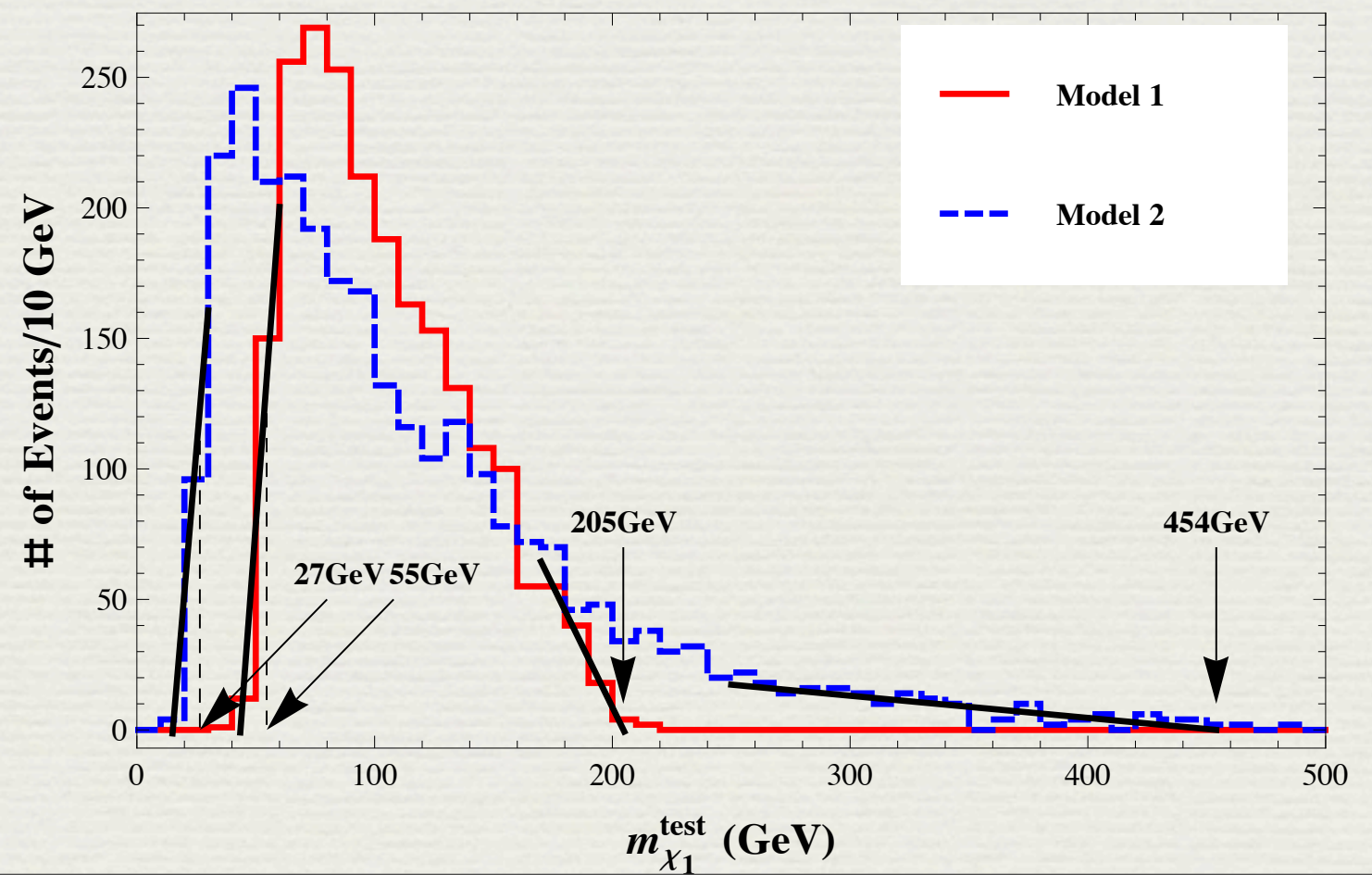
## ☆ Use linear fits

- Lower endpoint -- expected to be sharp edge, we take half-max point to reduce smearing effects
- Upper endpoint -- less populated, and we take intercept position

## ☆ Larger sys. err. for Model 2

Model	M1	M2
1	106	208
2	110	253

Masses are in GeV



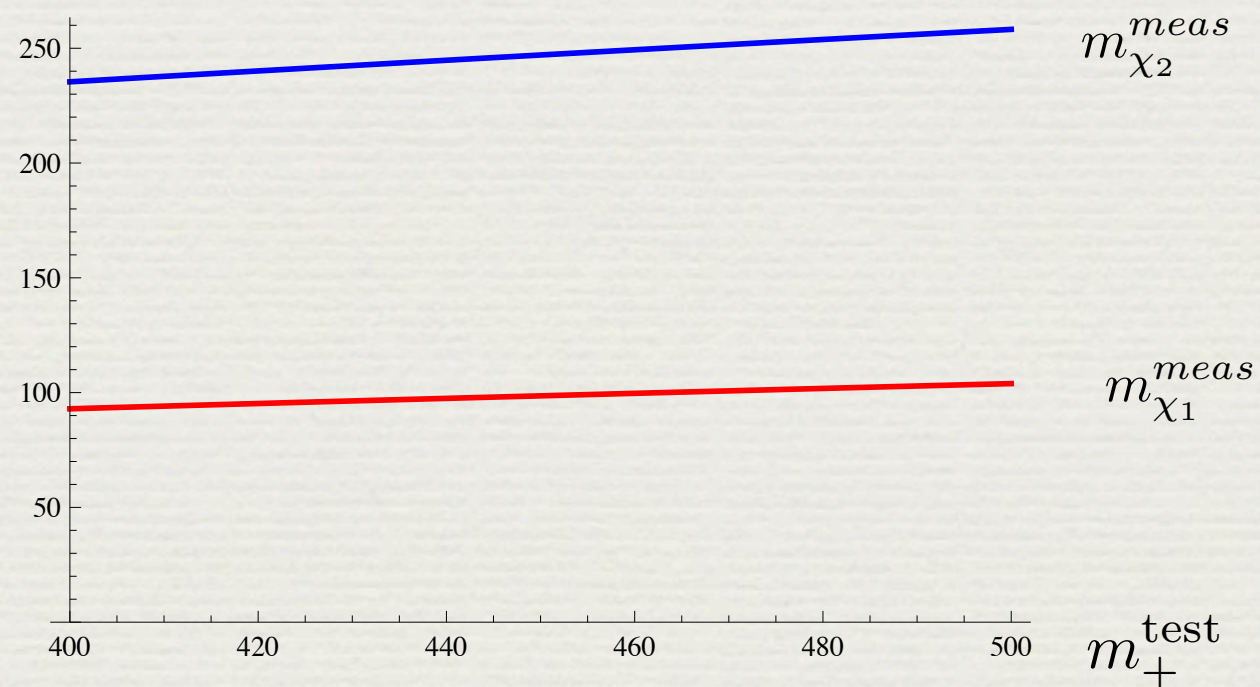


# Fit of endpoints

The measured mass is not sensitive to the upper end point,

e.g. for Model 2:

vary upper end point 400 - 500 GeV



$$(m_{\chi_1}^{\text{meas}}, m_{\chi_2}^{\text{meas}}) = (103 \text{ GeV}, 241 \text{ GeV}) \text{ — } (116 \text{ GeV}, 264 \text{ GeV})$$



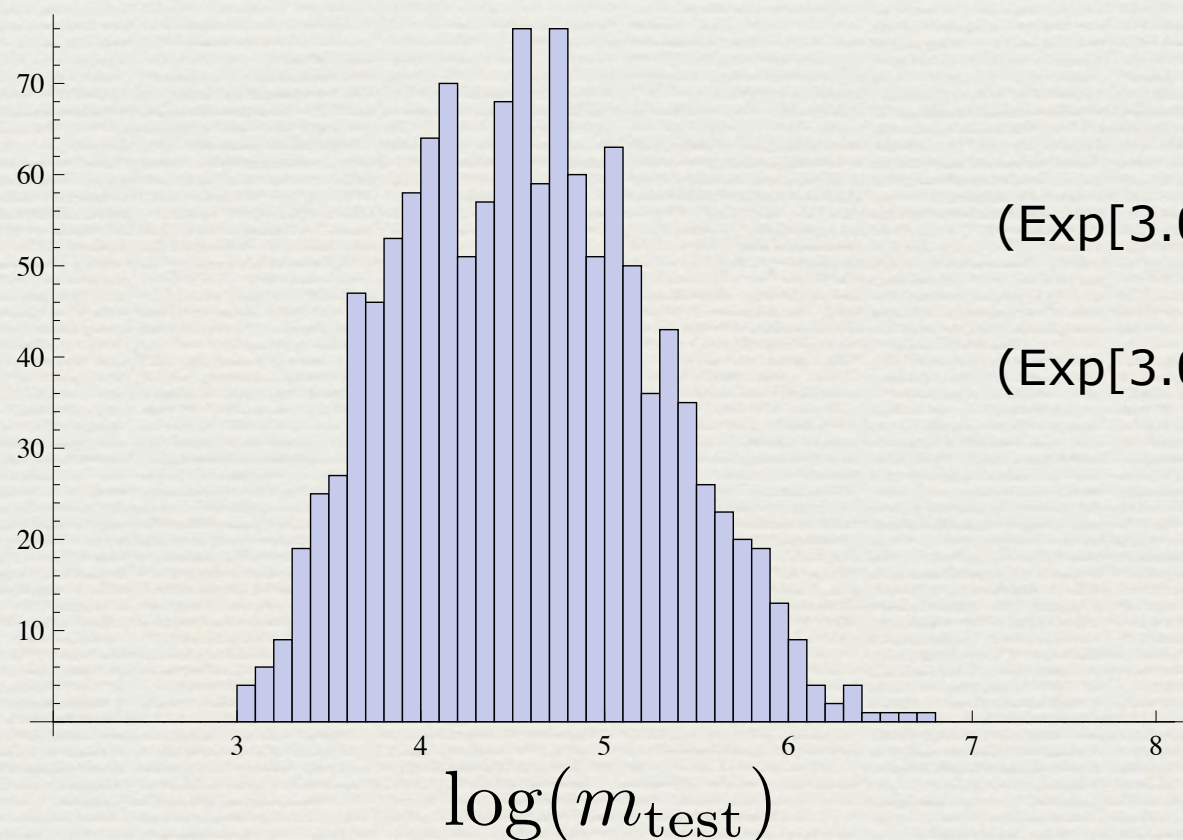
# Fit of endpoints

- ☆ Better variable by taking logarithm

$$\log(m_{\text{test}}) \sim \log(m_{\chi_1}) + (\beta_0^X + \beta_0^{\chi_1}) \cos \theta_0$$

- ☆ more symmetric distribution --> easier to determined the endpoint

Model 2



$$(\text{Exp}[3.05], \text{Exp}[6.2]) = (21.1153, 492.749)$$

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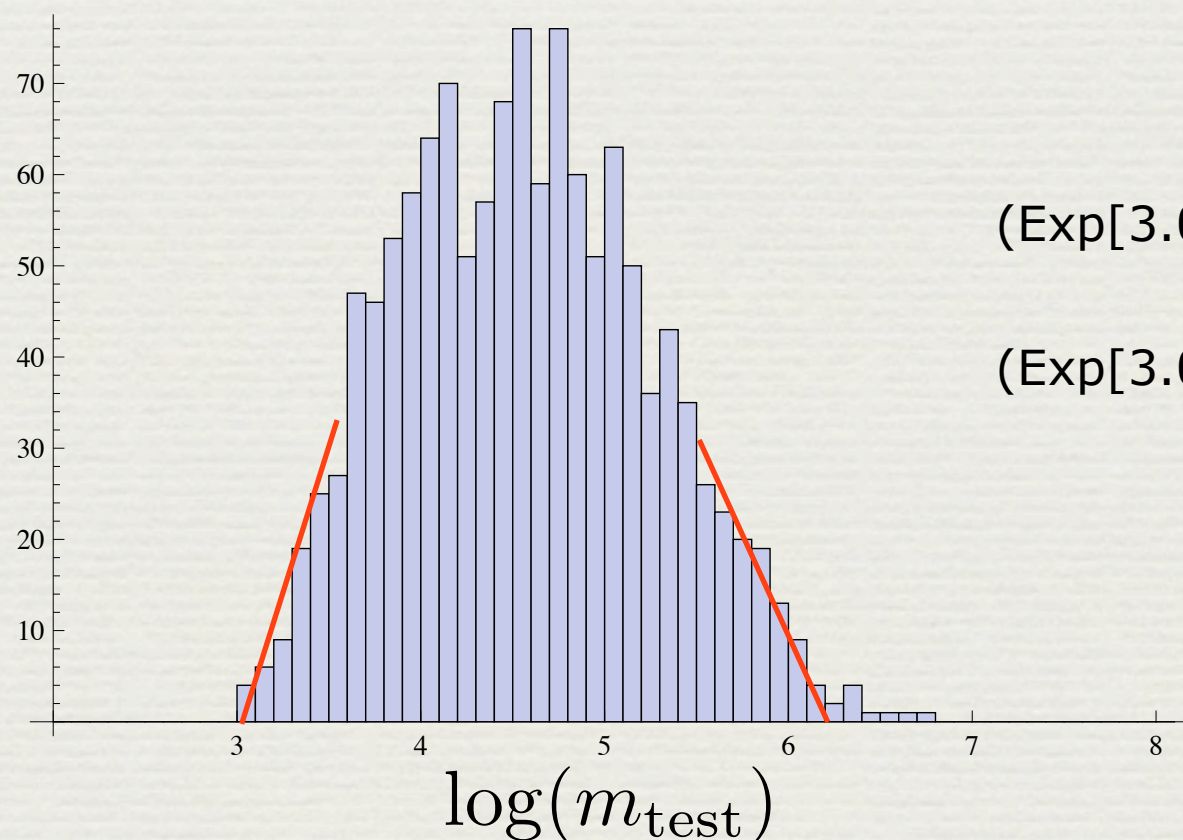
# Fit of endpoints

- ☆ Better variable by taking logarithm

$$\log(m_{\text{test}}) \sim \log(m_{\chi_1}) + (\beta_0^X + \beta_0^{\chi_1}) \cos \theta_0$$

- ☆ more symmetric distribution --> easier to determined the endpoint

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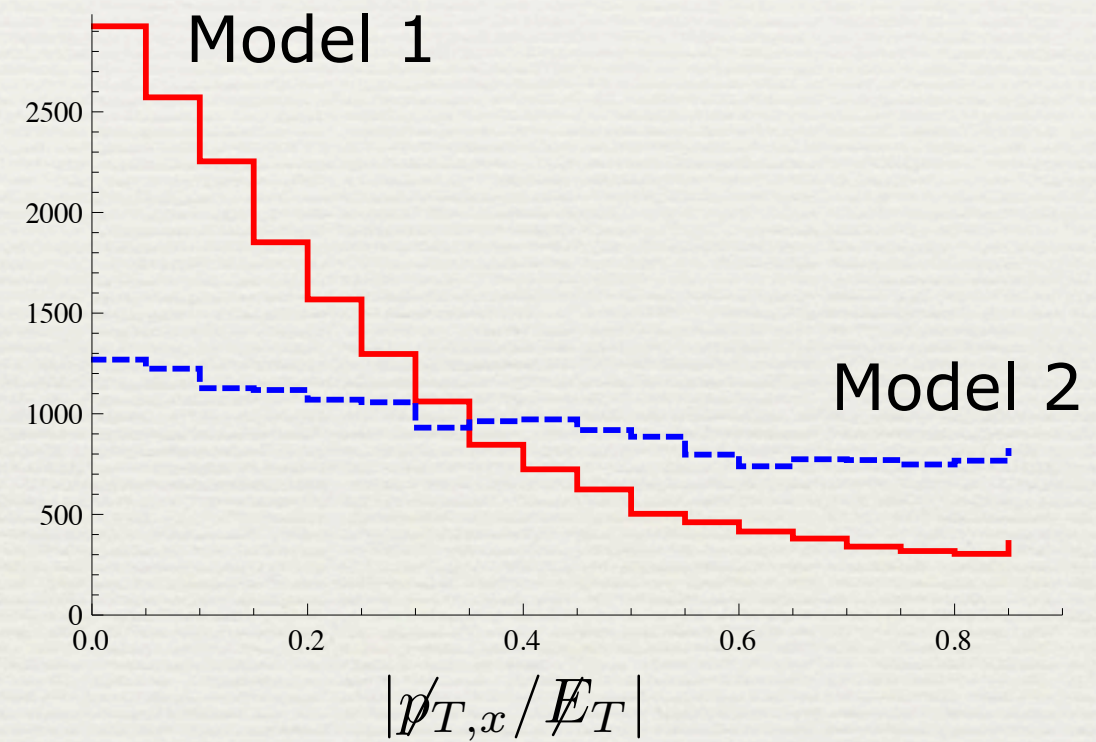


# Is it a boosted decay chain?

☆  $|\cancel{p}_{T,x}/\cancel{E}_T|$  distribution peak towards zero

☆ Sharp endpoints in Mtest distribution

☆ Measure upstream exotica masses, check whether it is consistent



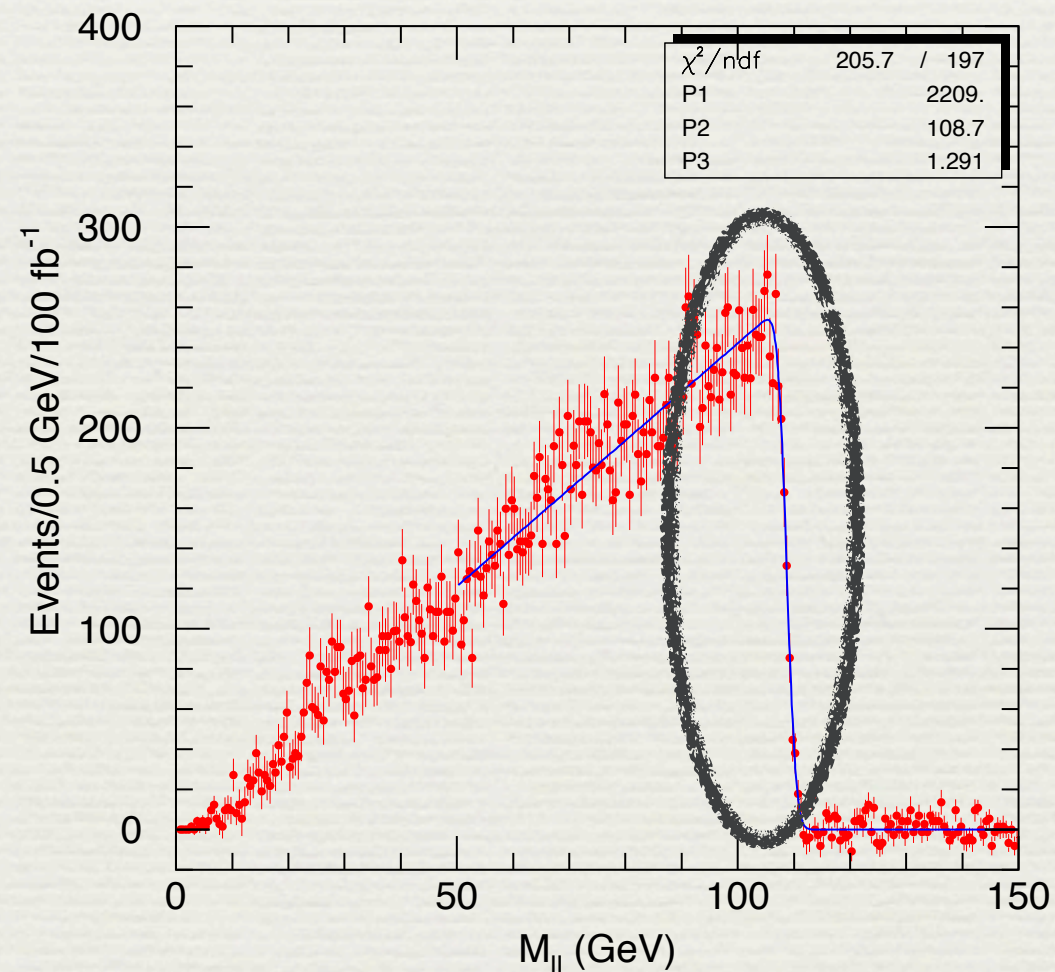
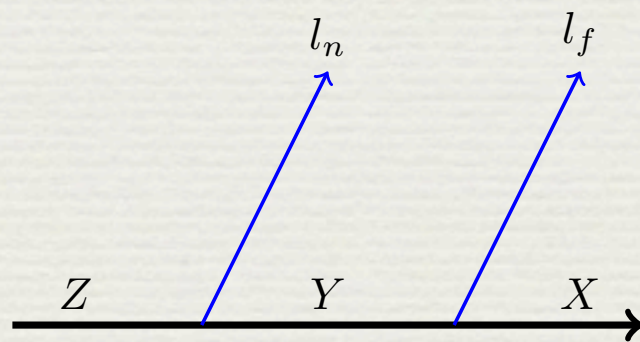


# Other Channels ?

- ☆  $\chi_2$  can also decay through slepton  $-->$  di-lepton
- ☆ Invariant mass is not fixed, but can select events near the upper endpoint.

$$M_{ll}^{\max} \sim m_{\chi_2} - m_{\chi_1}$$

- ☆ work in progress



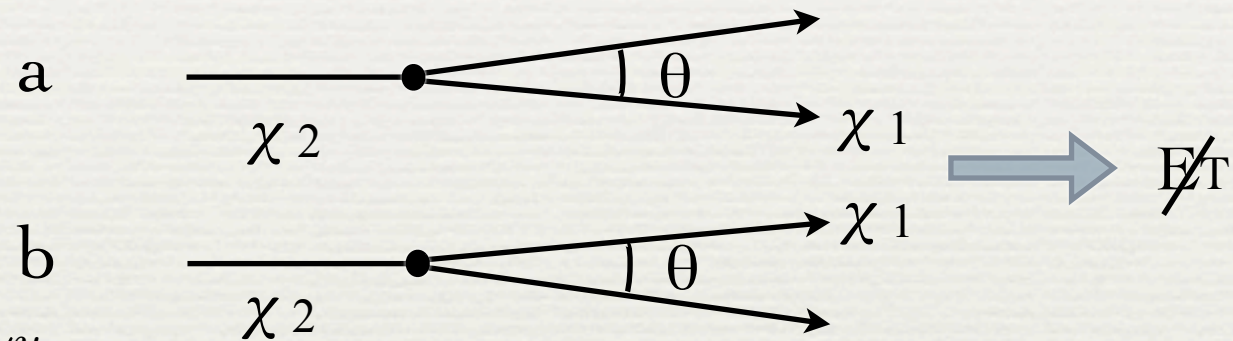


# Use CM energy Variable

- ☆ Reconstruct missing particle momenta using collinear approx.

$$\vec{p}_{\chi_{1,a}} = k_a \vec{p}_{X,a}$$

$$\vec{p}_{\chi_{1,b}} = k_b \vec{p}_{X,b}$$



$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} k_a = \frac{p_{X,b}^y p'^x - p_{X,b}^x p'^y}{-p_{X,a}^y p_{X,b}^x + p_{X,a}^x p_{X,b}^y} \\ k_b = \frac{-p_{X,a}^y p'^x + p_{X,a}^x p'^y}{-p_{X,a}^y p_{X,b}^x + p_{X,a}^x p_{X,b}^y} \end{cases}$$

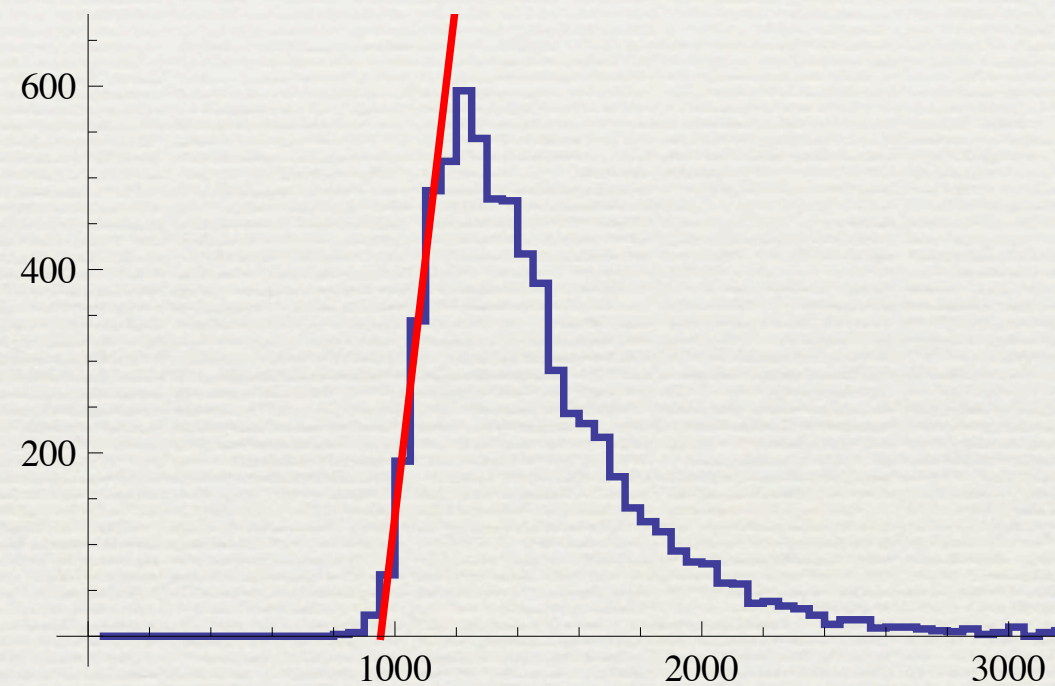
- ☆ Reconstruct CM energy of the collision  $s = \left( \sum_i p_i \right)^2$
- ☆ lower endpoint provide an estimate of the mass of mother particle

$$\hat{s} \geq 4m_Q^2$$



# Use CM energy Variable

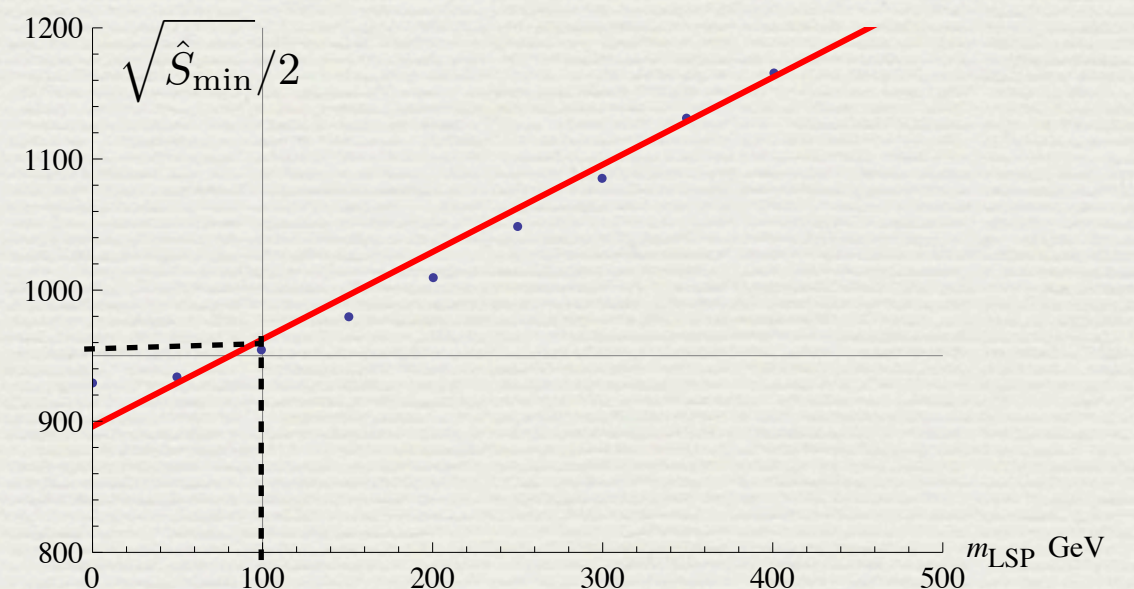
☆ Use the measured LSP mass and cuts



$$\sqrt{\hat{s}}/2$$

Lower endpoint  $\sim 960$  GeV

- $p_T > 50$  GeV for jet
- $|\eta| < 3$  for jet
- missing  $E_T$  cut  $E_T^{miss} > 100$  GeV
- $p_Z > 300$  GeV





# Summary and Outlook

- ♦ LHC may discovery new physics via large  $\cancel{E}_T$  , difficult for mass measurement - key information for studying cosmic relic dark matter
- ♦ MET-cone and mtest variable are useful tools for mass measurement in boosted events with  $\cancel{E}_T$  .
- ♦ Further explore the idea of MET-cone and develop a more general method that can apply for less-collinear events.
- ♦ More realistic collider study: include detector effects on MET, initial/final-state radiation etal