## Mass Measurement at Colliders

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### Parameters

## WHAT MET?



momentum not ruled out. c.f. talks by Csaki, Weiler, ...



## **Phase Space**

$$\sigma\left(\textit{pp}
ightarrow\textit{CD}
ight) = \sum\limits_{a,b=q,g}\int f_a f_b \int_{\mathrm{PS}} \left|M\left(ab
ightarrow\textit{CD}
ight)
ight|^2$$

Phase space singularities = edges, endpoints, cusps, ...



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## Mass Bound Variables

Barr et al 1105.2977

What is best bound for invariant mass of a group of N particles decaying to visibles + invisibles?

 $m_N(\mathcal{M}_1,\mathcal{M}_2,\cdots,\mathcal{M}_N) = \min_{q_T = p_T'} \left[ \max\left(M_1,M_2,\cdots,M_N\right) \right] \le \max\left(M_1,M_2,\cdots,M_N\right)$ 

$$M_a = \sum_{i=1}^{n_a} m_i$$

- · Gives event-by-event lower bound on maximum parent mass
- Can saturate bound for correct input M



## **Transverse mass**



$$m_{T}(\mathcal{M}) = m_{V}^{2} + \mathcal{M}^{2} + 2\left(\sqrt{\mathcal{p}_{T}^{2} + \mathcal{M}^{2}}\sqrt{p_{T}^{2} + m_{V}^{2}} - \mathcal{p}_{T} \cdot p_{T}\right)$$



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Name depends on context: cluster transverse mass,  $m_{T, \text{true}}, \sqrt{s}_{\min}$ 

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Konar, Kong & Matchev 0812.1042

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Caution: correlation dependent on M and number of invisibles



## **Determining Endpoints**

Curtin 1112.1095

Systematic way to automatically extract endpoint position. Procedure:

- Fit linear kink distribution to random domains within distribution
- Obtain kink distribution (with filters)
- Detect peaks in kink distribution (bump-hunting) for intervals of varying width w. Real peaks are upside-down growing cones



Code can be found at: http://insti.physics.sunysb.edu/ curtin/edgefinder/

# **Counting Invisibles**

Giudice, Gripaios, RM 1108.1180





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Study near-endpoint behaviour to extract number of invisibles



## **Single Production**



 $M \rightarrow W + nX$ 

 $M \rightarrow 2W + nX$ 



- Large difference between n = 1 and n > 1
- Distinguishing between different  $n \ge 2$  more difficult
- Near-universal behaviour

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## **Standard Model Examples**



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# **SUSY Example**





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