

A search for new physics at the LHC: Top partners into same-sign leptons.

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Physics beyond the Standard Model

- What is the Standard Model of particle physics?
- Why do physicists like it?
- Why are we not completely satisfied with it?

Modern physics and the Standard Model

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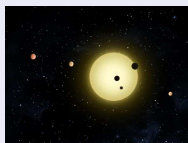
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Gravity



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$$\longrightarrow U(r) = -\frac{GMm}{r}.$$

Depends only on the distance r , symmetry under rotations.

Angular momentum is constant.

Easy equation, the orbits are ellipses.

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Lorentz transformations

- space and time translations;
- space rotations;
- Lorentz boosts: $t' = \frac{t - vx/c^2}{1 - v^2/c^2}$.

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Unification of mechanics and electromagnetism, under the same simmetry principle.