

Topics in BSM physics

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Toy model: **Wess-Zumino model**

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Currently investigating soft terms, and other superpotentials

Thank you!