

# *Status of Supersymmetry (SUSY) searches in CMS*

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**SUSY** is one of many **Standard Model (SM) extensions**,  
it provides solutions to several SM limitations

- *Hierarchy problem* → SUSY stabilizes the low Higgs boson mass
- *Dark Matter (DM) candidate* → SUSY presents WIMP DM candidate\* if R-Parity is conserved
- *Many SUSY models*

\*The lightest supersymmetric particle (LSP)

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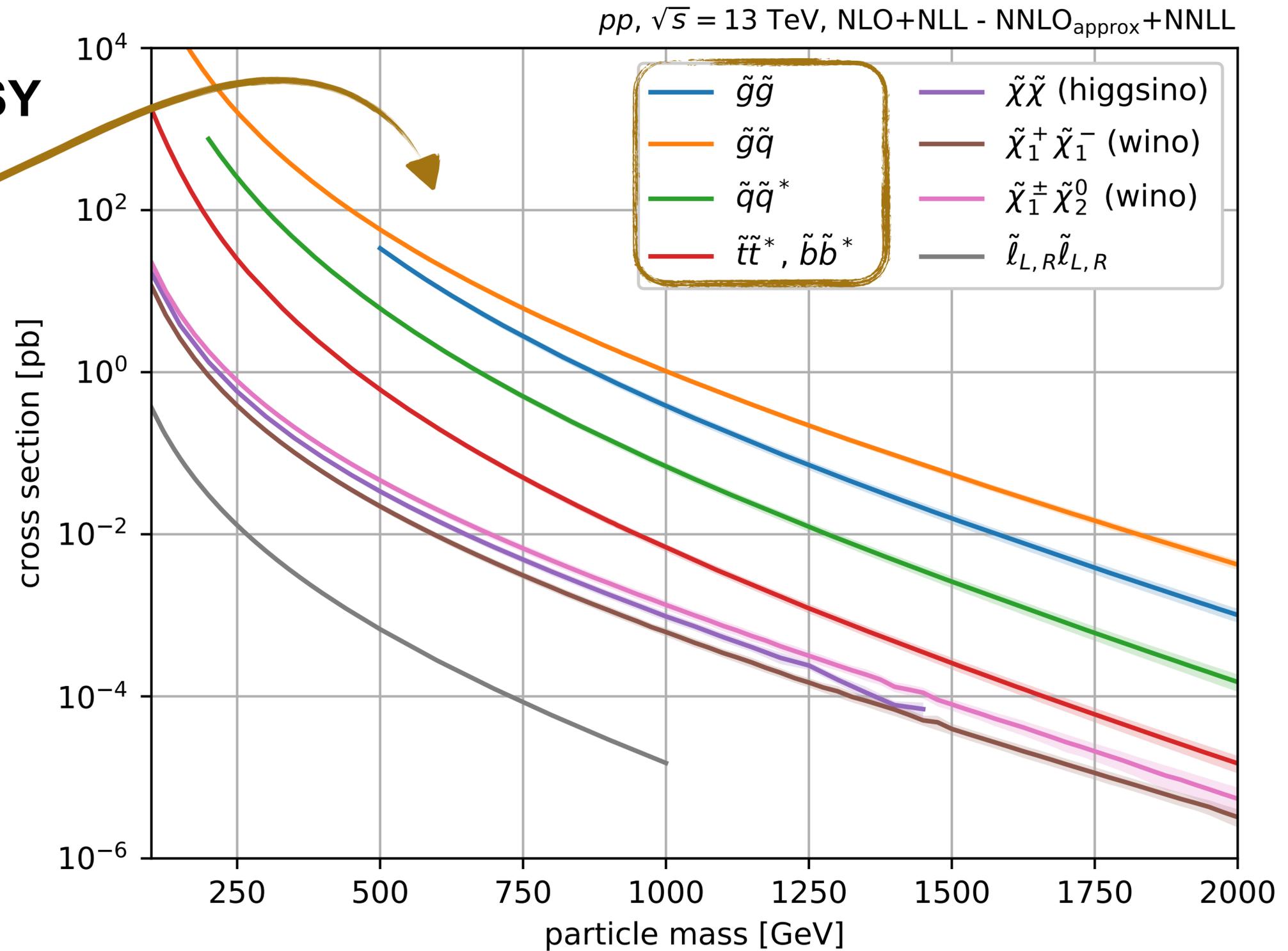
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## Experimental approaches

- *High beam energy* → explore TeV scale
- *More data* → probe rare processes
- *New ideas & new search tool*

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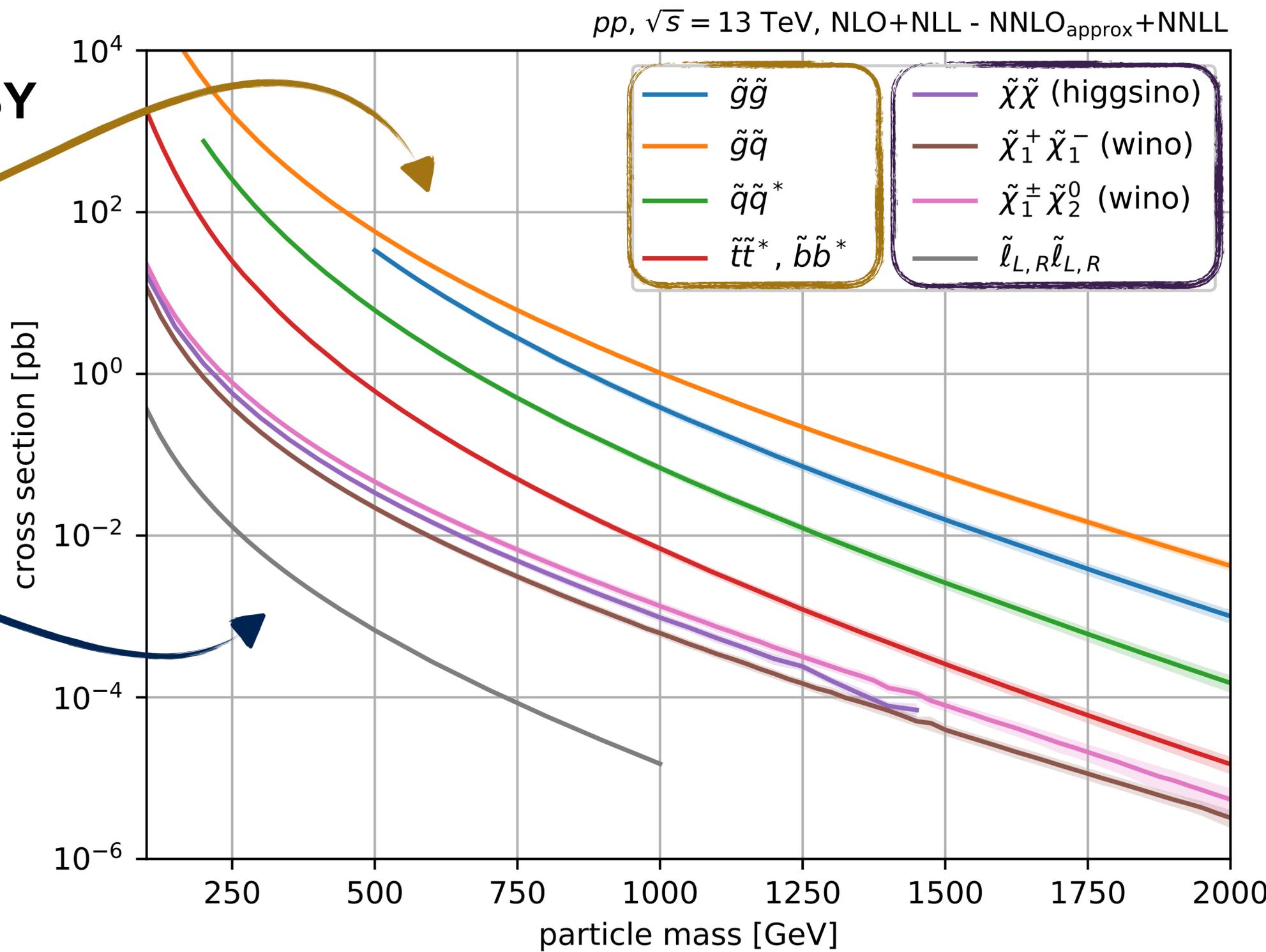
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- Earlier searches focused on *strong productions* (higher cross sections)
- Now expanding SUSY searches
  - ▶ Electroweak production
  - ▶ Challenging signatures, sophisticated analysis methods

⚠ Only a handful of recent searches from CMS experiment will be shown

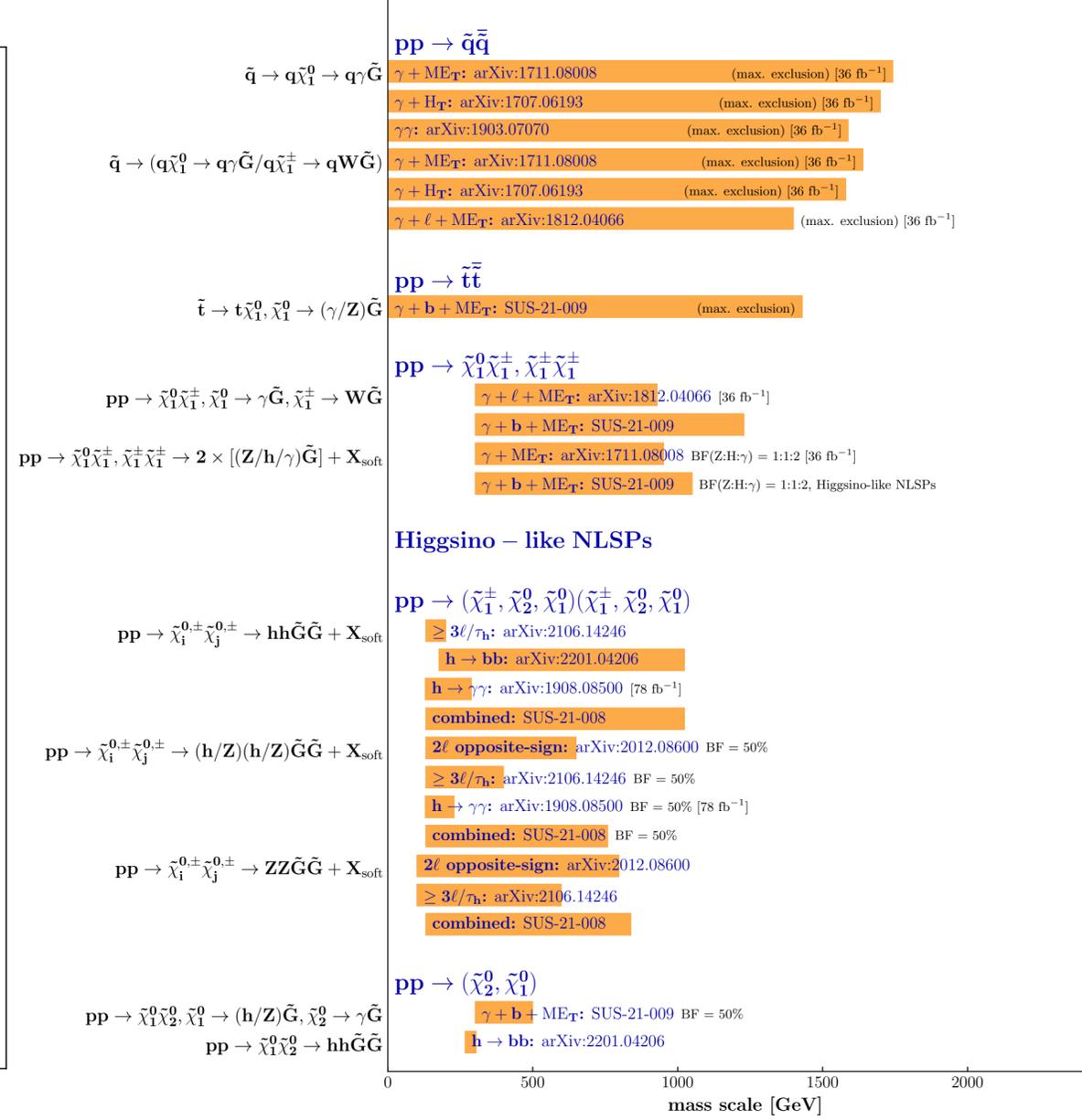
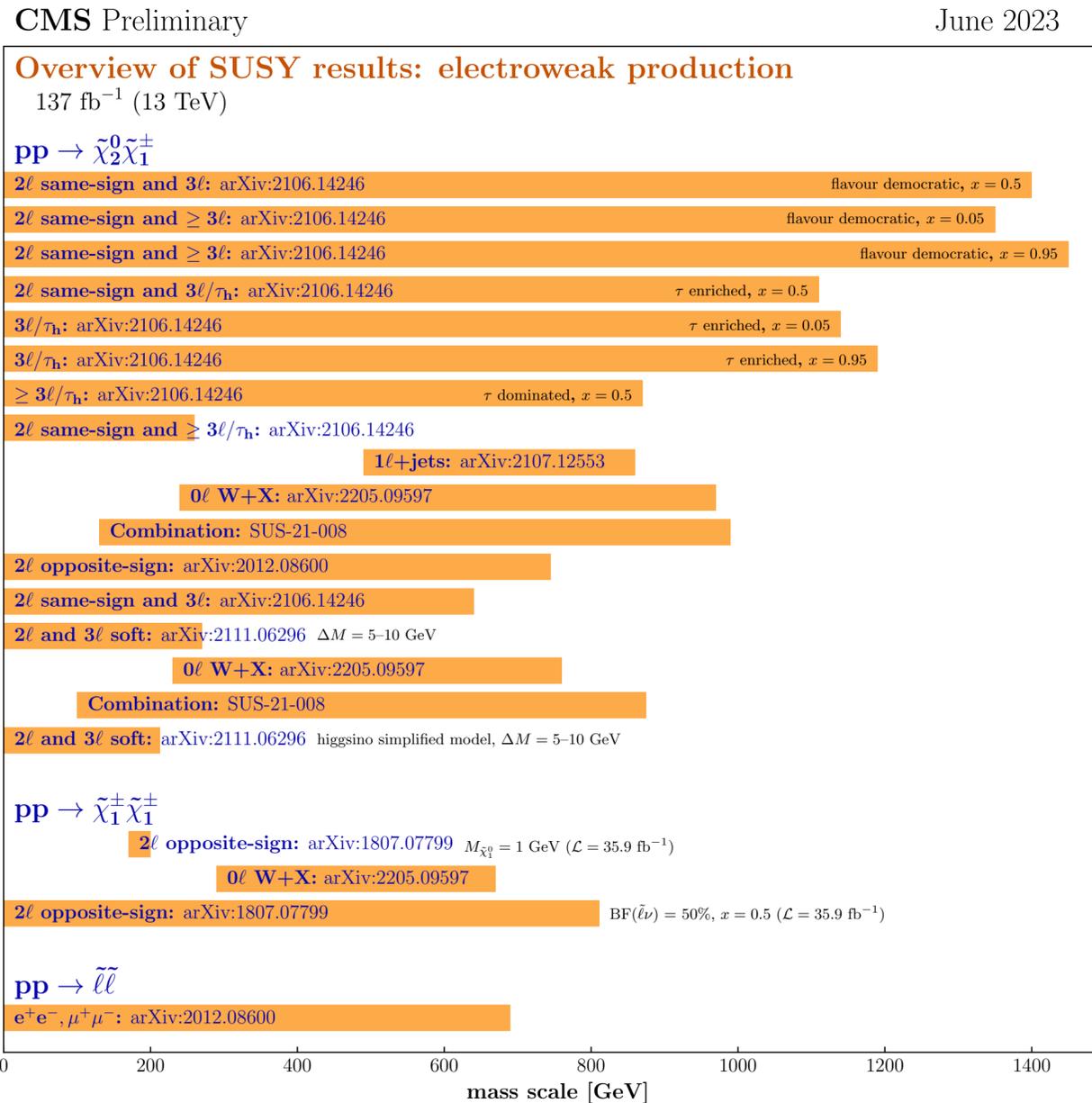
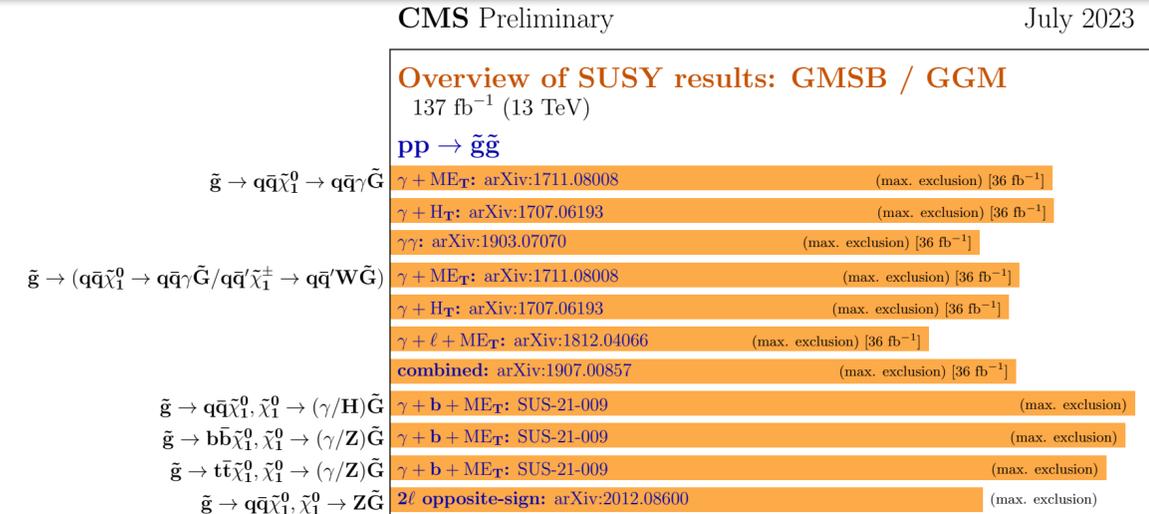
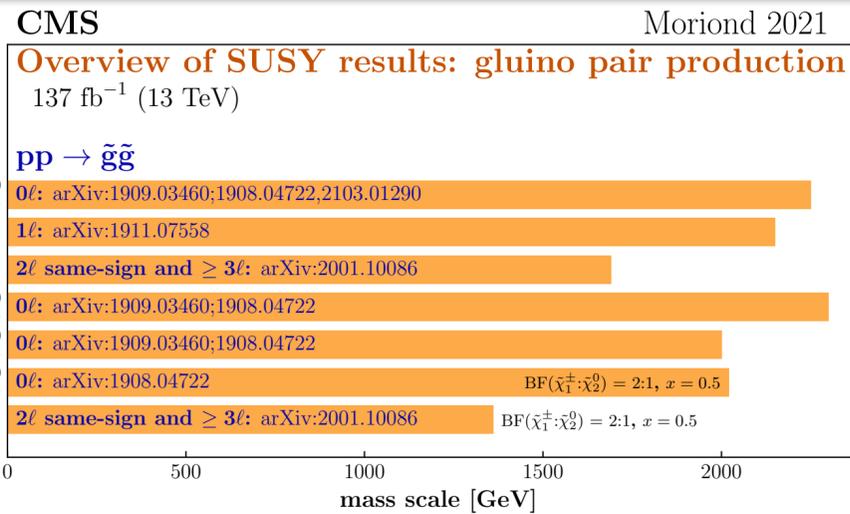


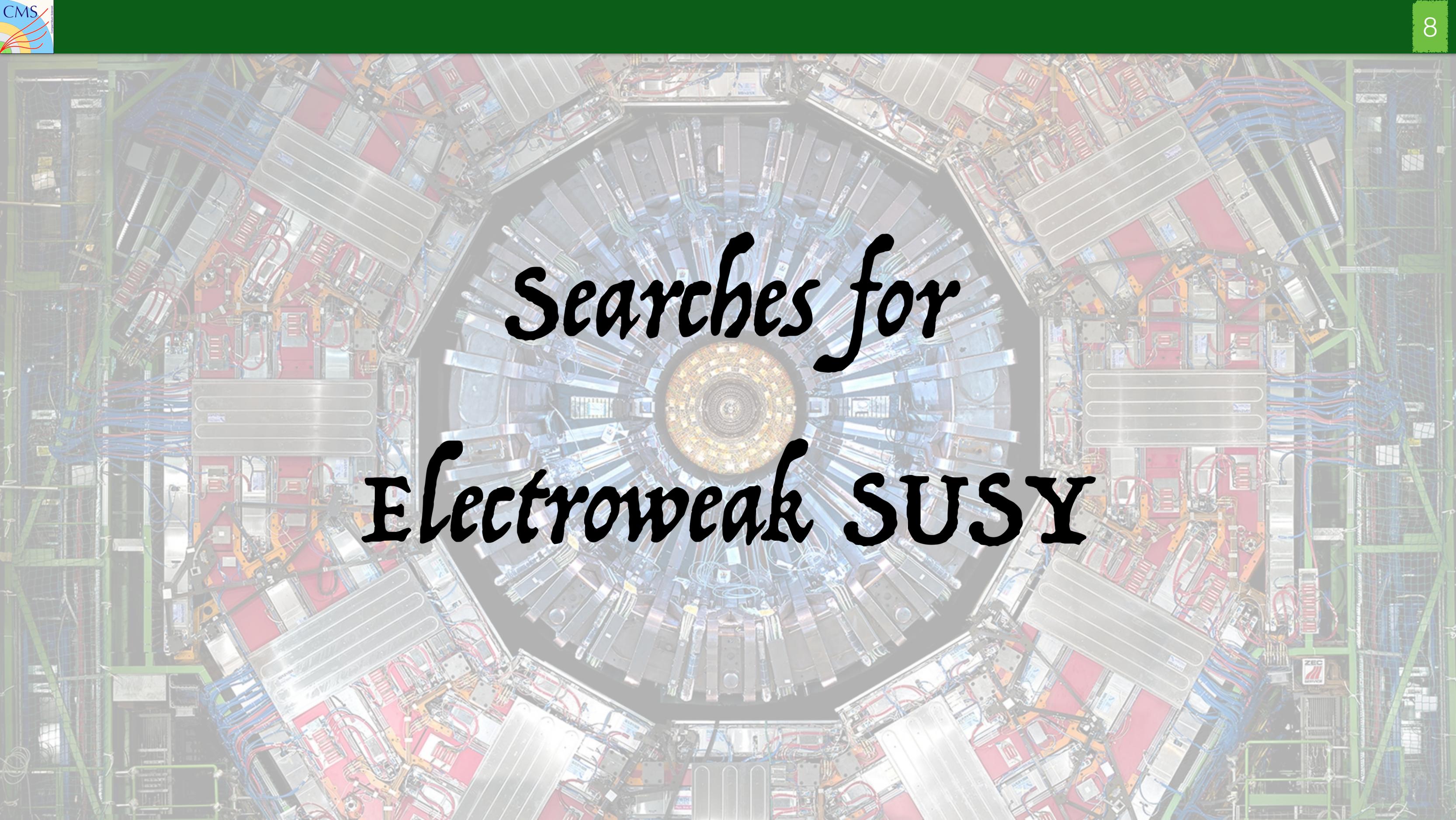
## Synopsis: mass reach, per models

- Despite numerous SUSY searches, *no experimental evidence at LHC*
- Mass limits have been set at 95% CL in the context of simplified models and for different final states

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*Searches for  
Electroweak SUSY*

- Combination of 6 different SUSY searches to enhance sensitivity to a wide range of Electroweak (EW) SUSY mass hypotheses

## Compressed spectra

Leptonic

“2/3 $\ell$  soft”  
 2 or 3  $e/\mu$   
 Opposite-sign, same flavor pair  
[CMS-SUS-18-004](#)

“ $\geq 3\ell$ ”  
 3 or 4  $\ell$   
 Or 2 same-sign light leptons  
[CMS-SUS-19-012](#)

“2 $\ell$  on-Z/non-resonant”  
 2  $e/\mu$   
 Opposite-sign, same flavor pair  
[CMS-SUS-20-001](#)

(Semi)Hadronic

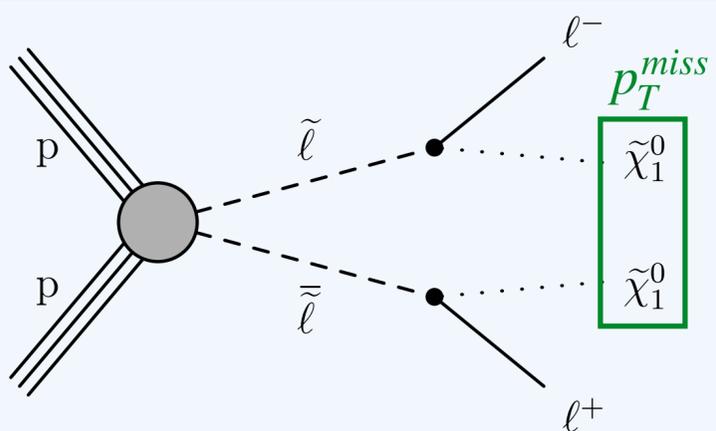
“1 $\ell$ 2 $b$ ” - WH  
 2 or 3  $e/\mu$   
 1  $e/\mu$ ,  $H \rightarrow bb$ , MET  
[CMS-SUS-20-003](#)

“4 $b$ ” - HH  
 0 $\ell$   
 $H \rightarrow bb$ , MET  
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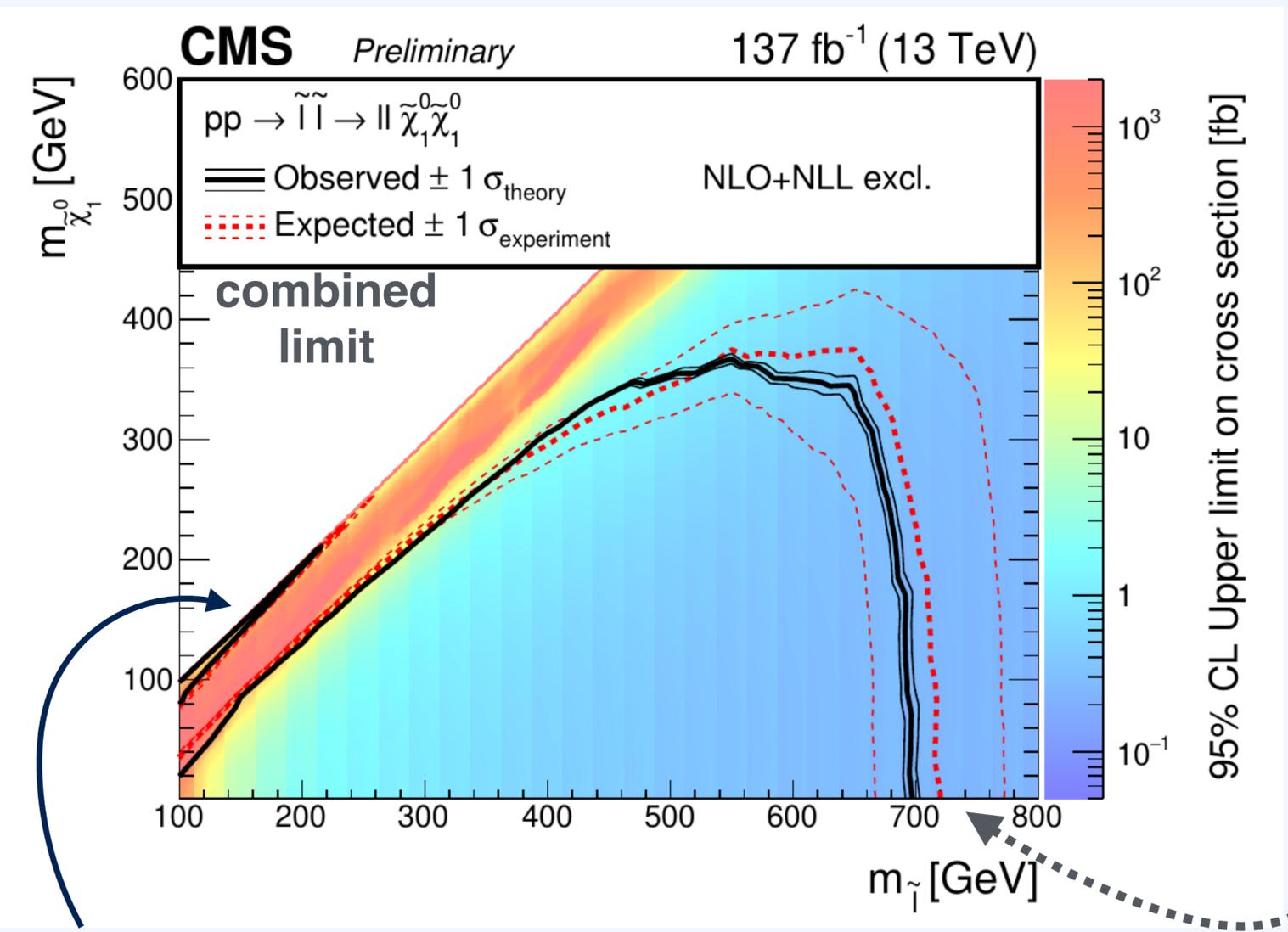
“Hadr. WX”  
 Fully hadronic final state  
 $\geq 2$  jets(AK8) & 2-6 jets(AK4)  
[CMS-SUS-21-002](#)

Extremely challenging searches - benefit from combinations!

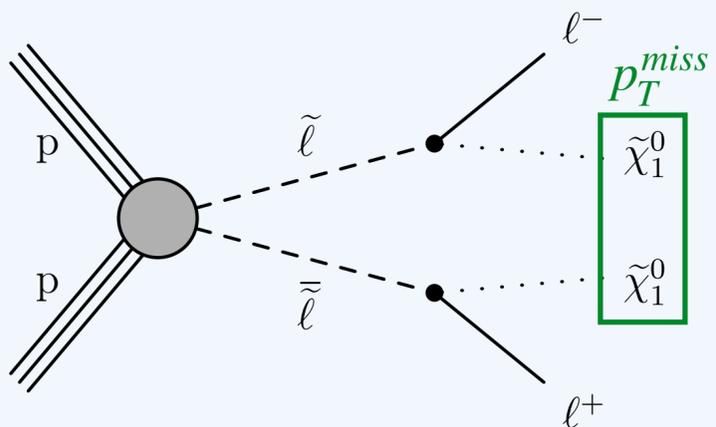




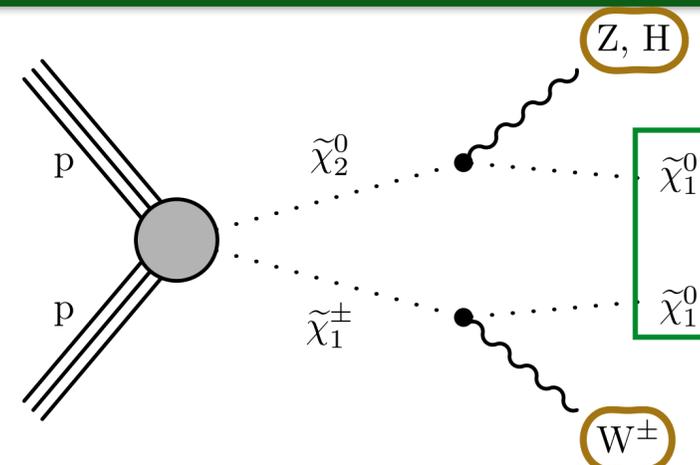
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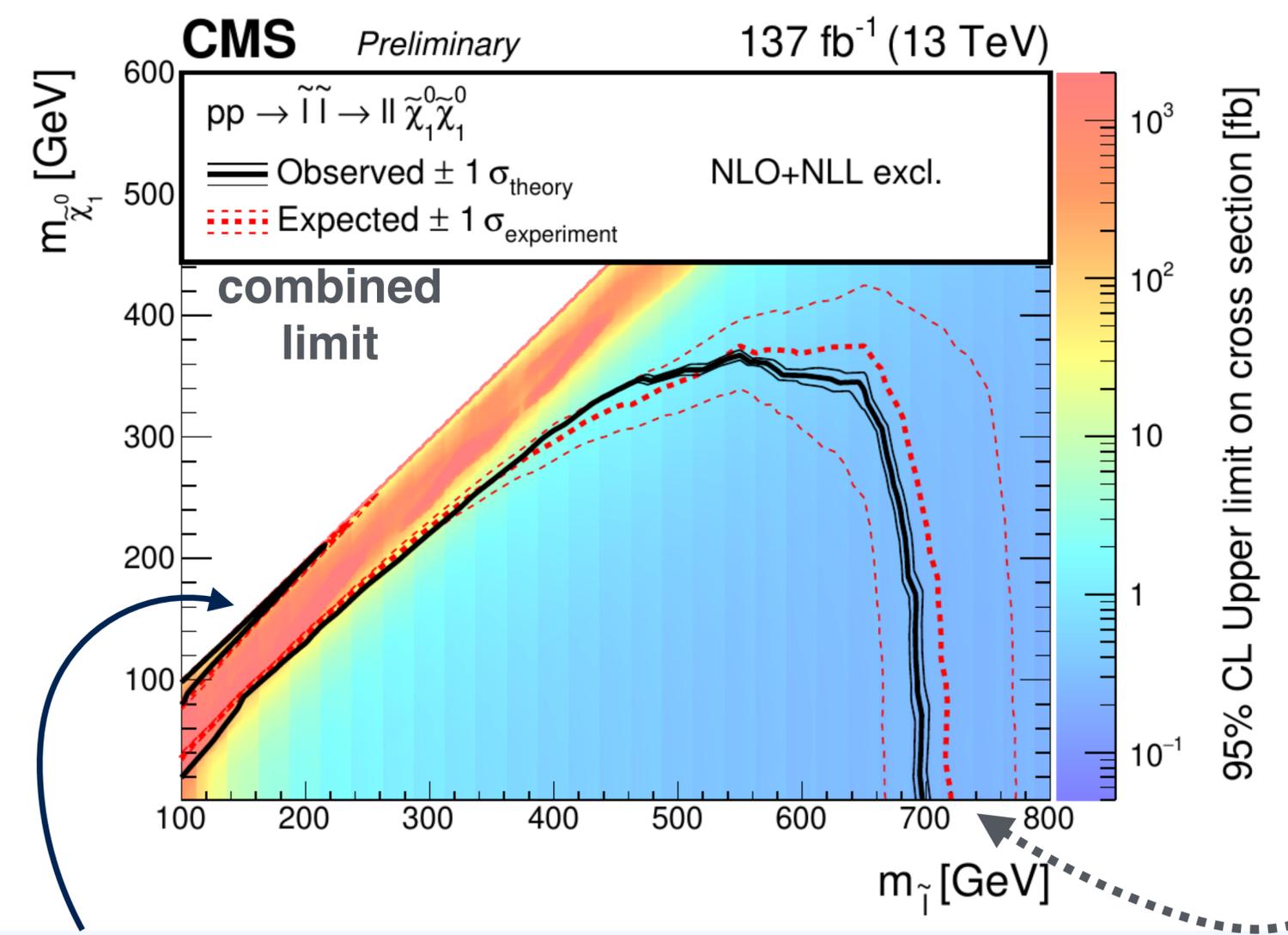
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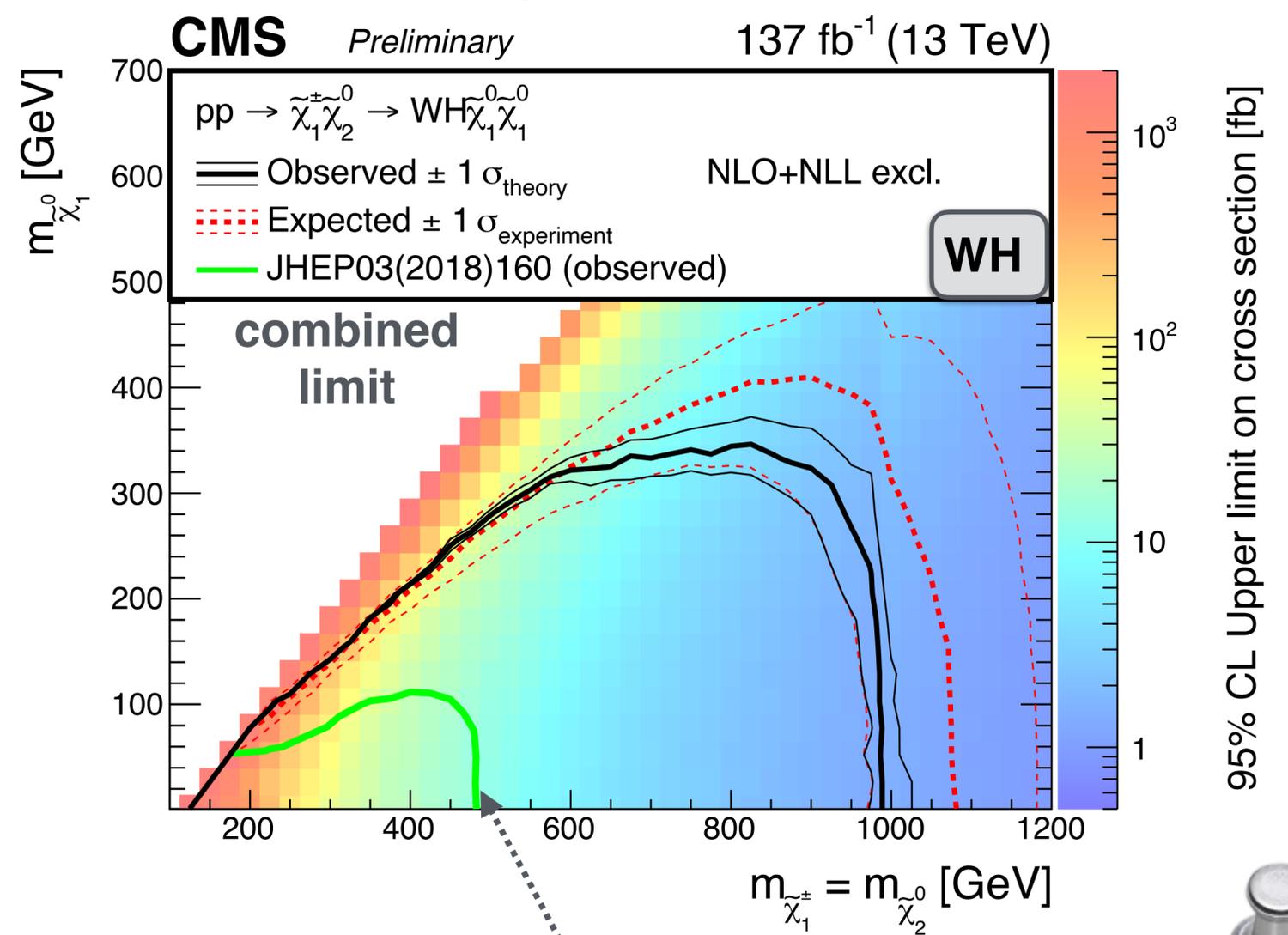
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- **Uncompressed region:** Hadr **WX** search dominates
- **Compressed region:** soft lepton search dominates



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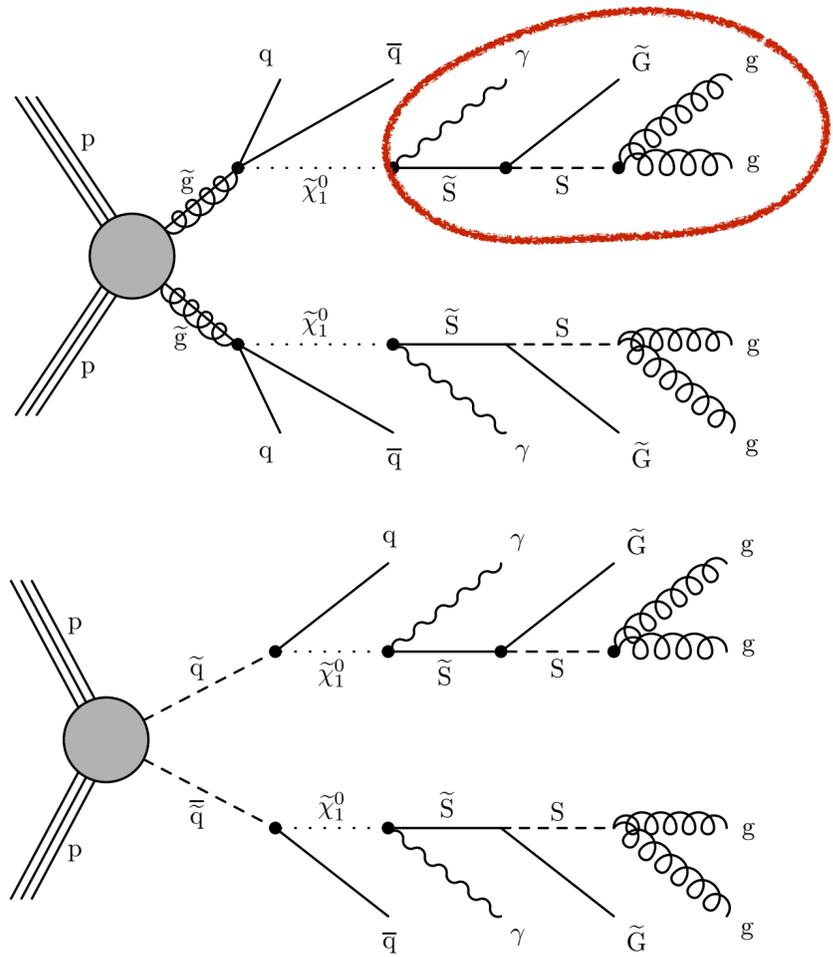
Significant improvement in terms of expected limit with respect to **2016 combination**



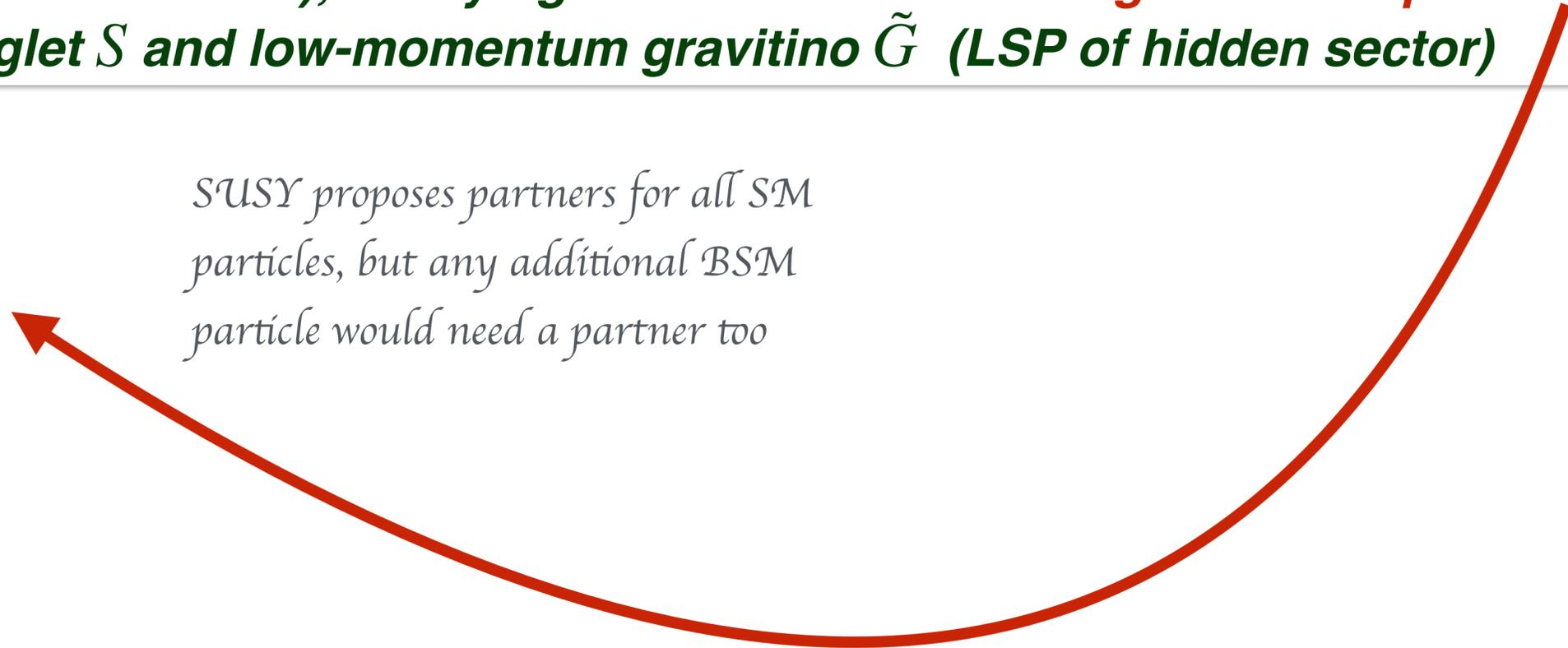
*Searches for  
Stealth SUSY*



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*SUSY proposes partners for all SM particles, but any additional BSM particle would need a partner too*

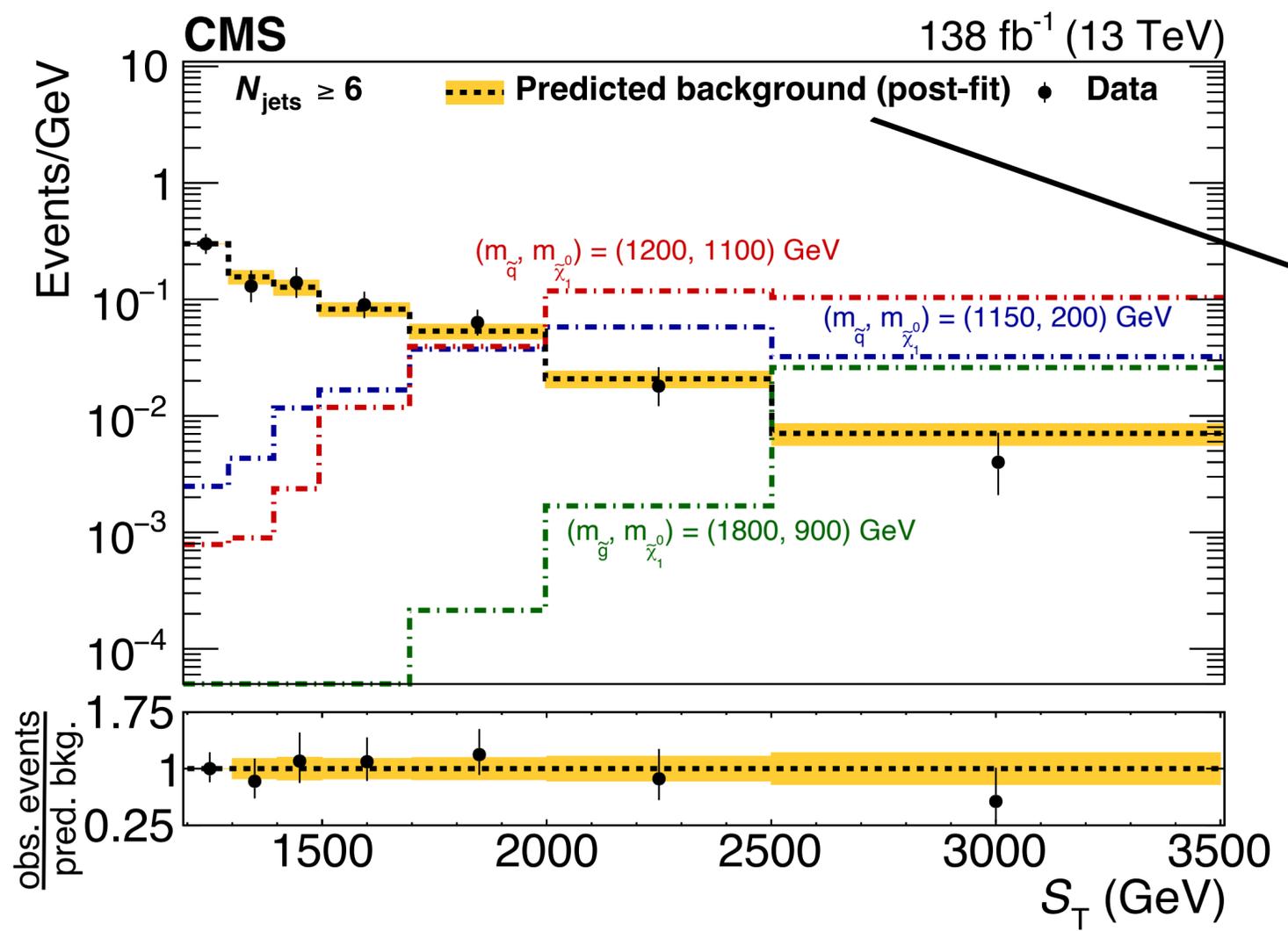
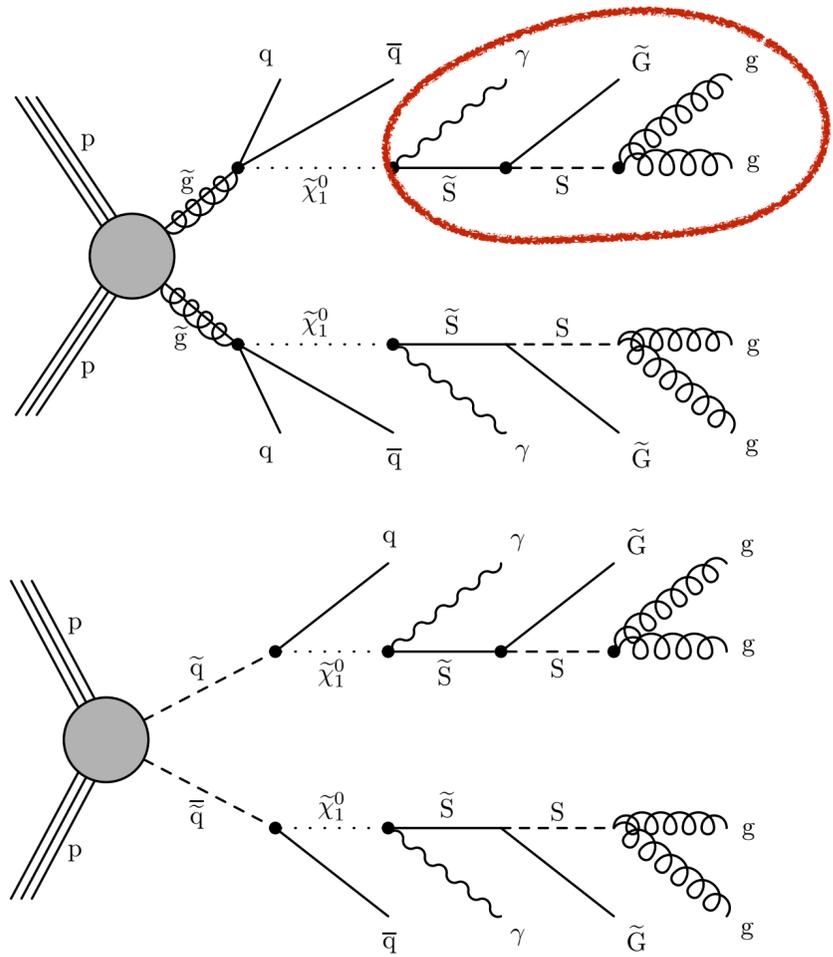




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Search for strongly produced stealth SUSY:

- 2 photons +  $\geq 4$  jets + **low  $p_T^{miss}$**
- $S_T > 1200$  GeV (scalar sum of all object  $p_T$ )
- Extract signal in  $S_T$  distribution in bins of jet multiplicity (4,5,  $\geq 6$  jets)

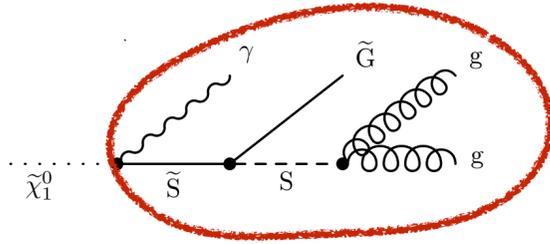


Data-driven background estimation using  $S_T$  shape derived from low jet multiplicity

Data consistent with the prediction



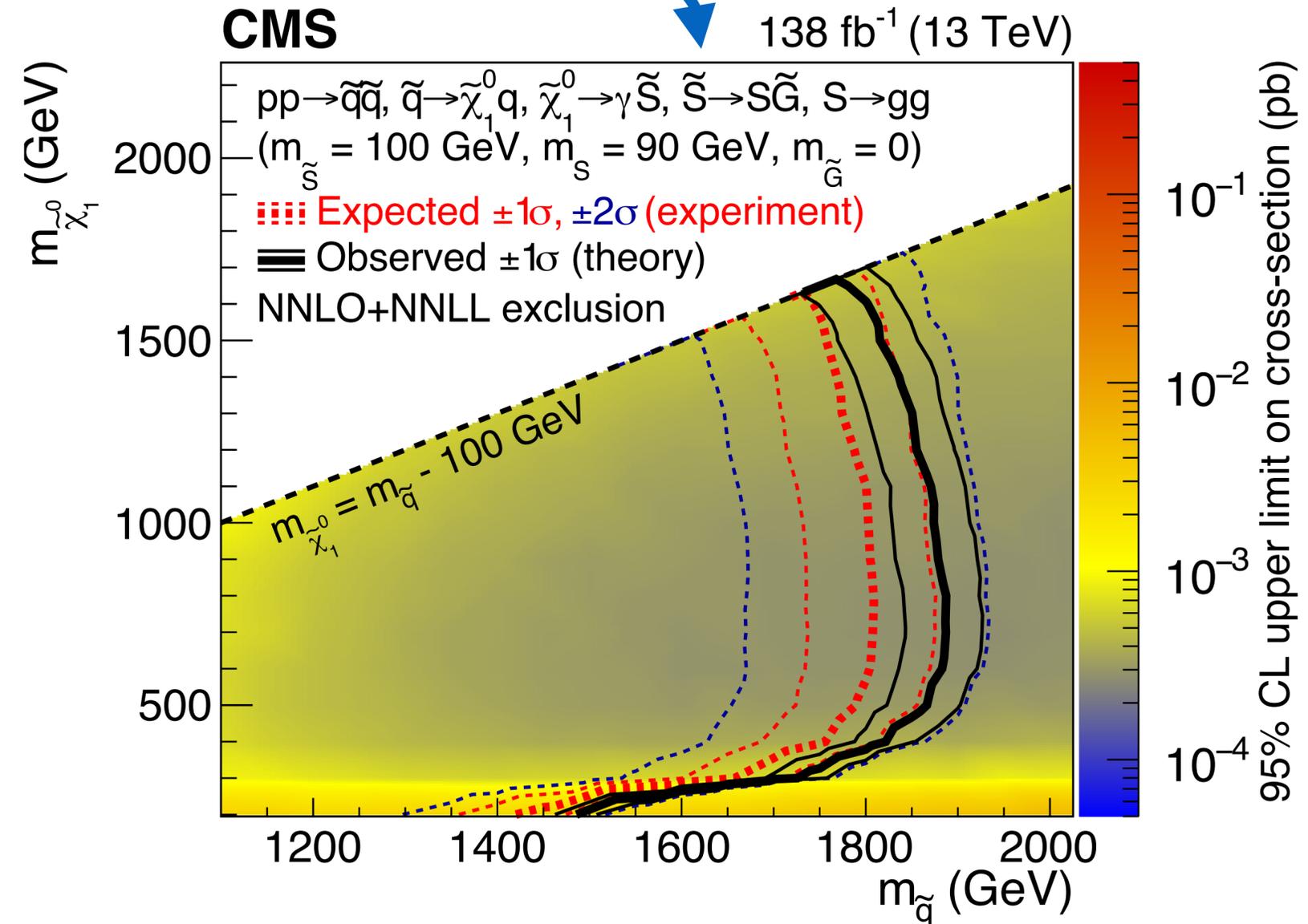
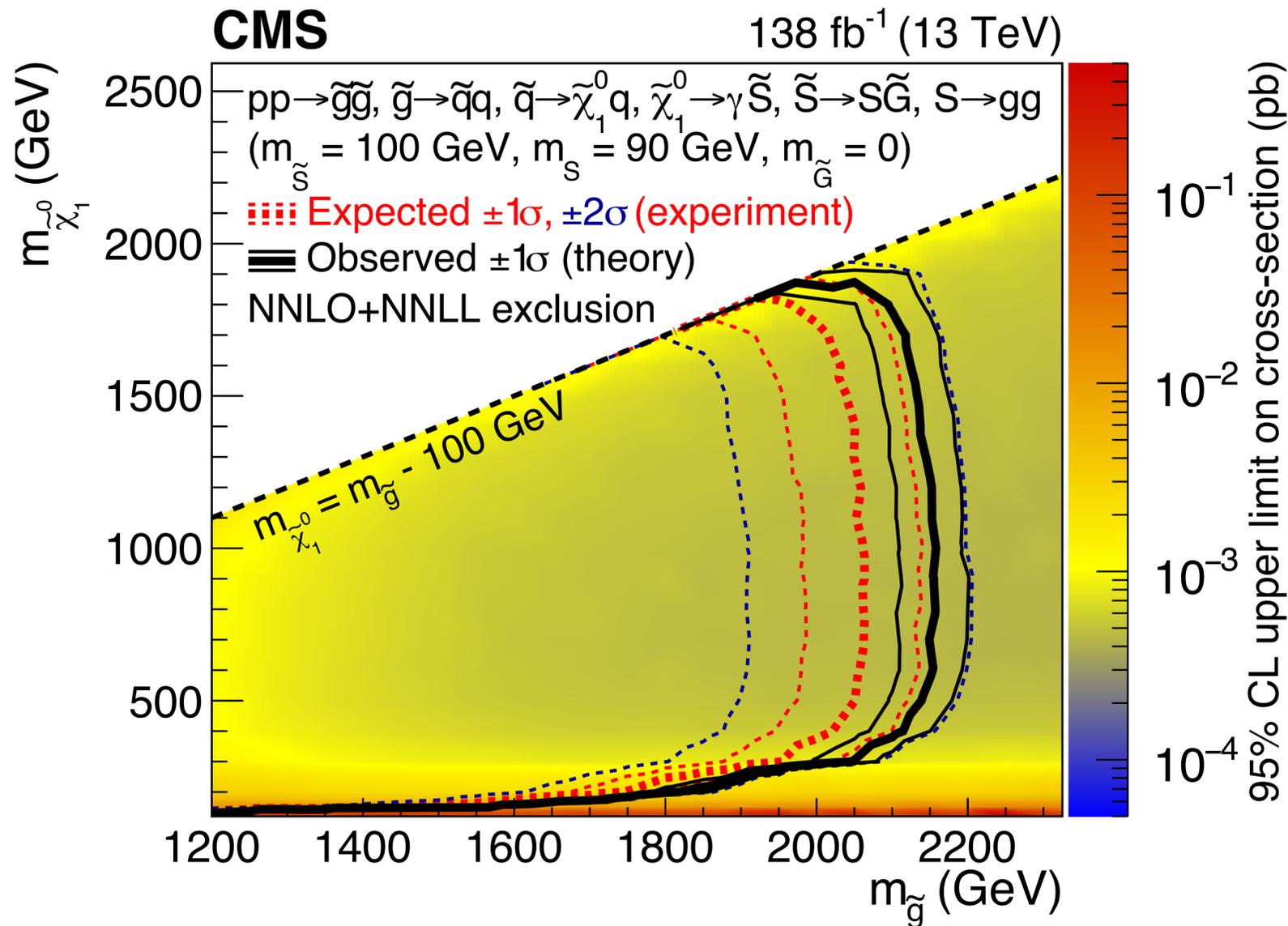
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Upper limit at 95% CL for fixed singlino, singlet and gravitino masses

● **Glino masses excluded up to 2.15 TeV**

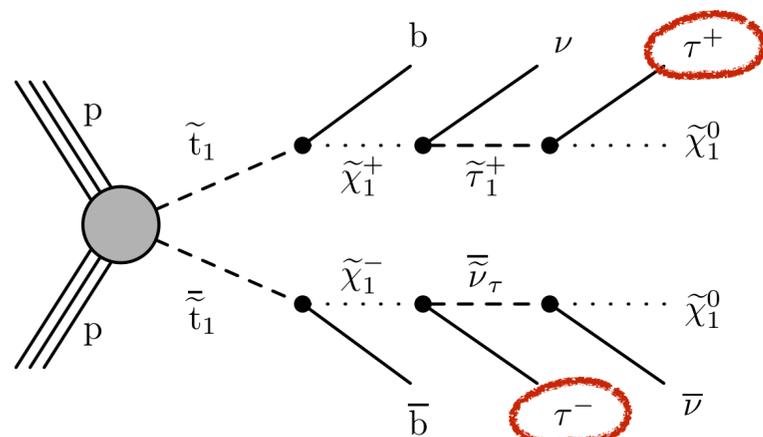
● **Light squark masses up to 1.85 TeV**





*Search for top squark  
pair production*

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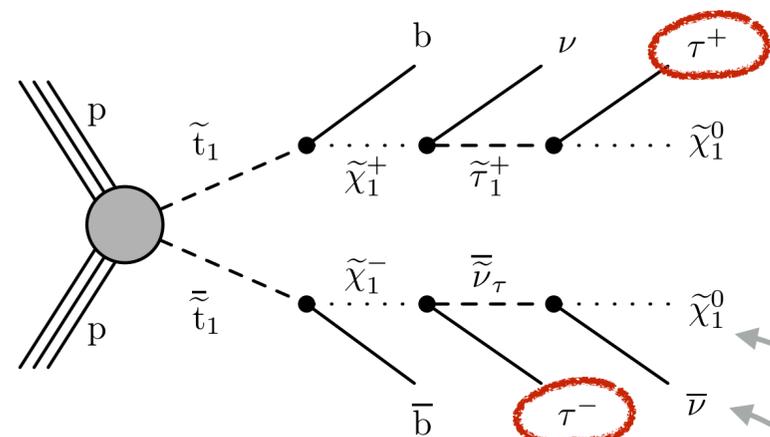


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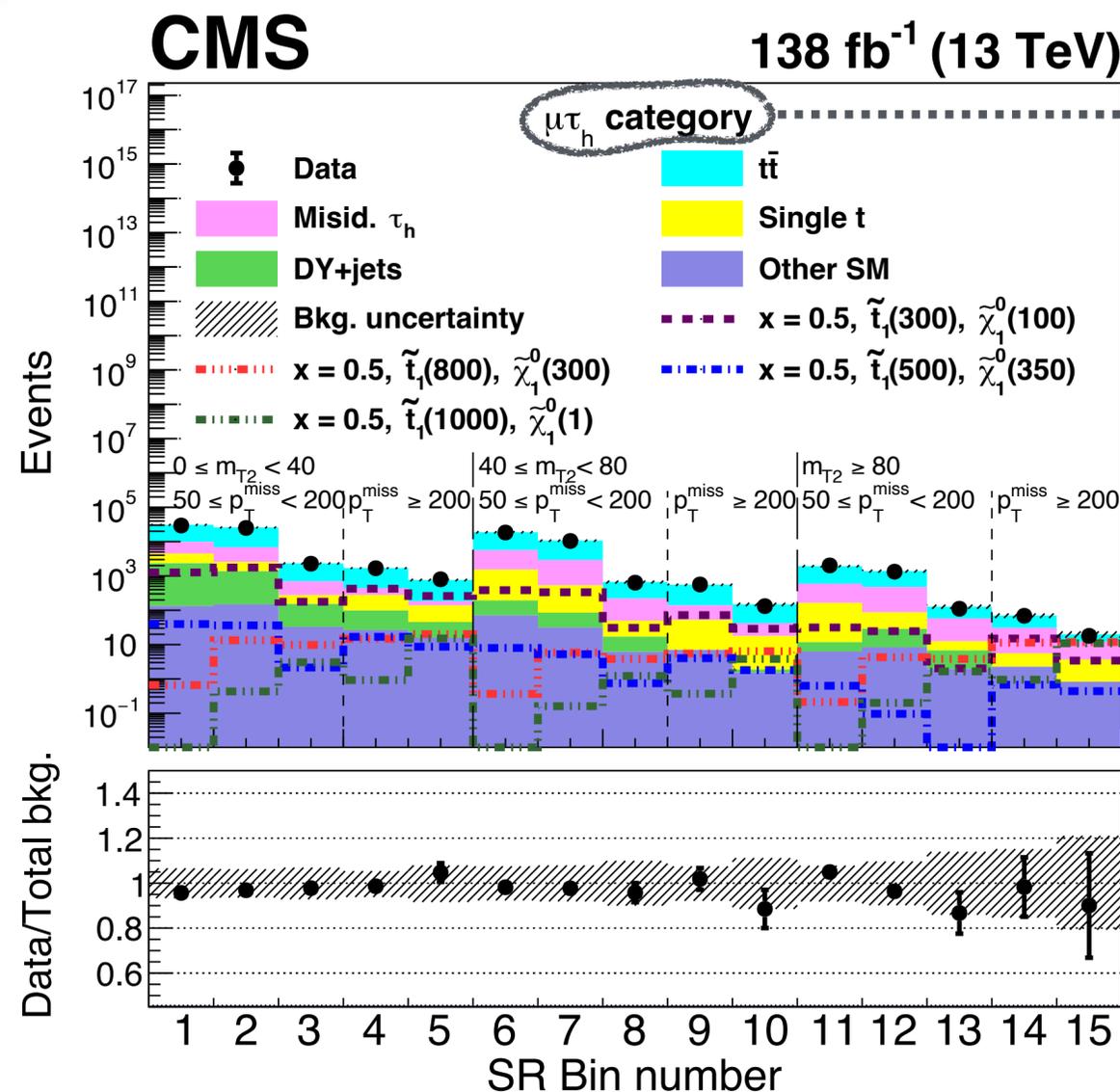
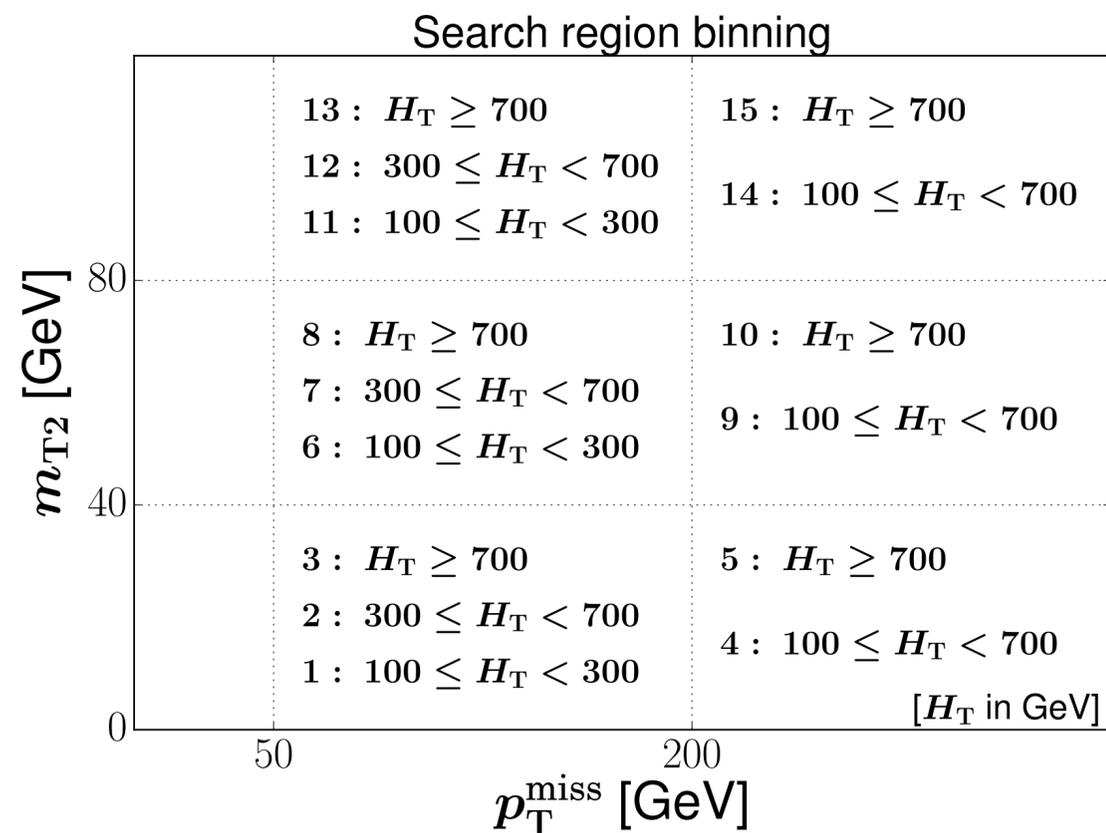
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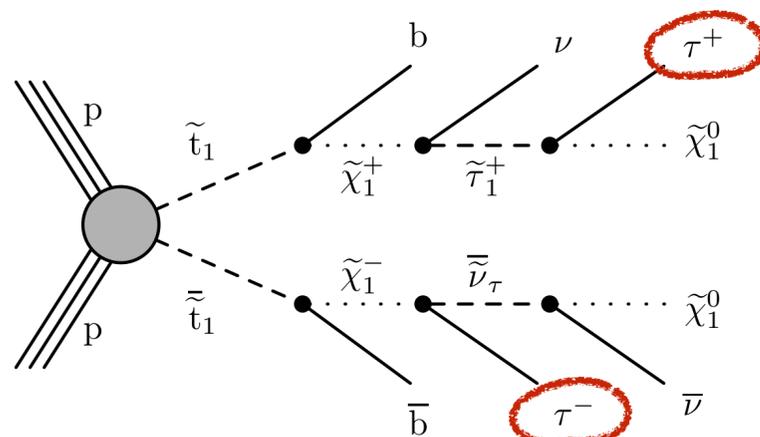


$e\tau_h, \tau_h\tau_h$  are also considered

No significant deviation from the SM observed



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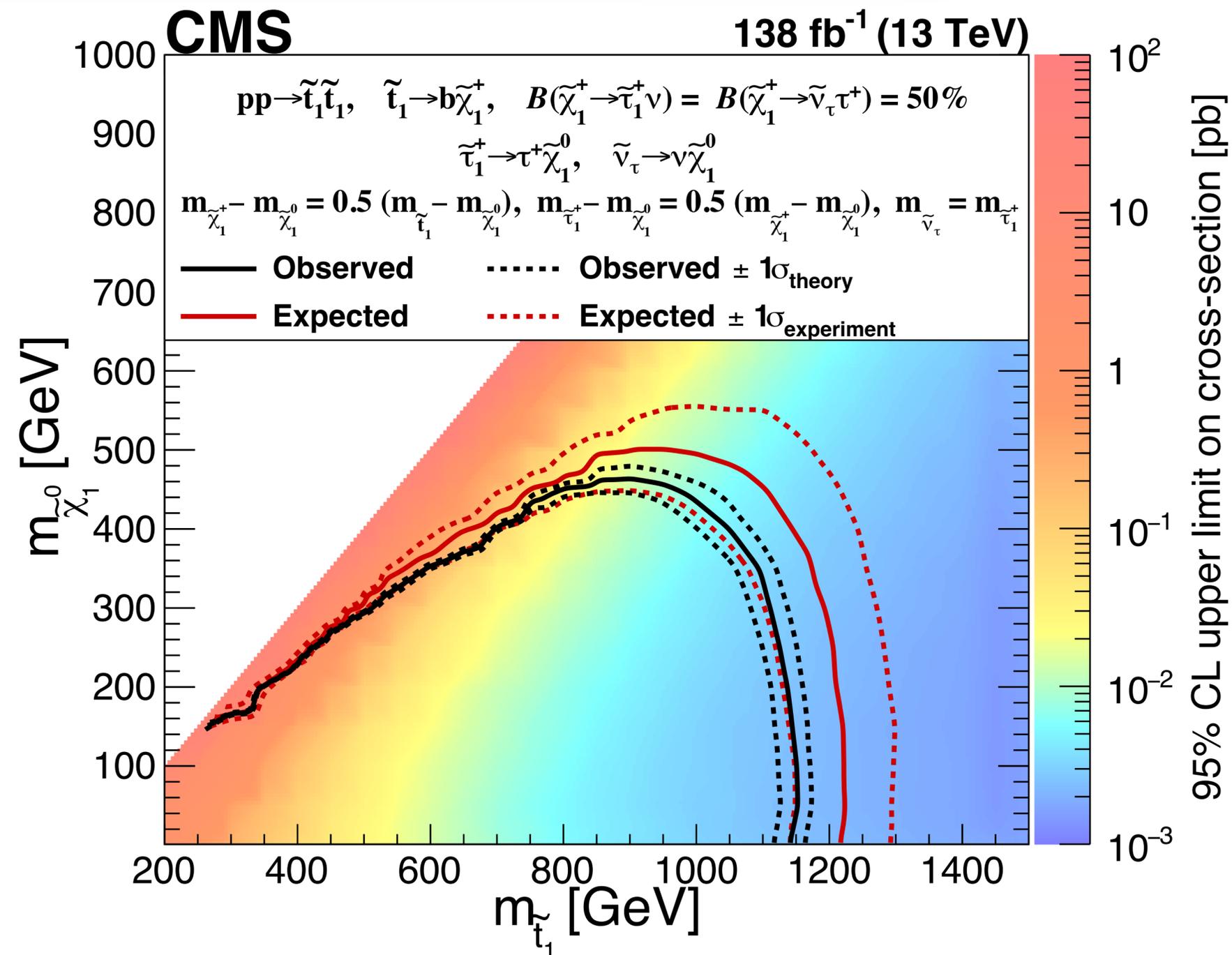
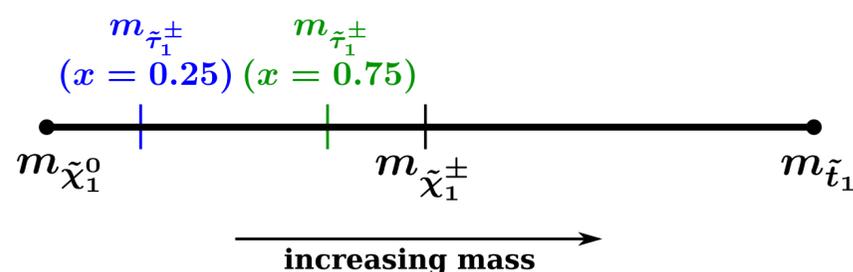
- Top squark masses** excluded up to about 1150 GeV

Masses of SUSY particles appearing in the decay chain are parameterized as

$$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm} - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} = 0.5 (m_{\tilde{\tau}_1^\pm} - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0})$$

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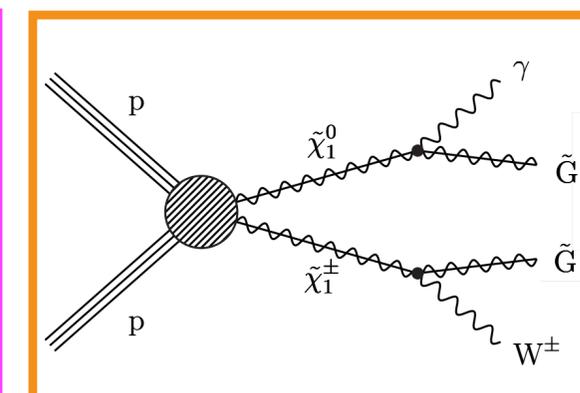
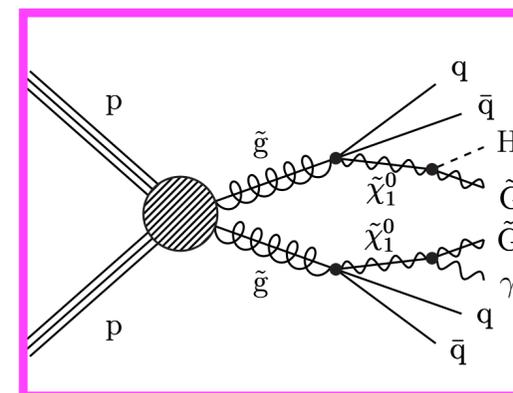
where  $x \in [0.25, 0.5, 0.75]$ , and  $m_{\tilde{\nu}_\tau} = m_{\tilde{\tau}_1^\pm}$



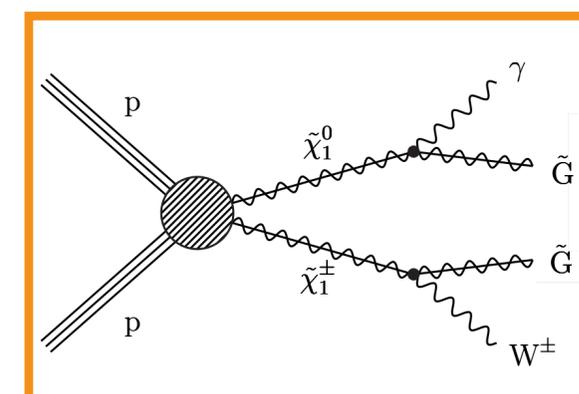
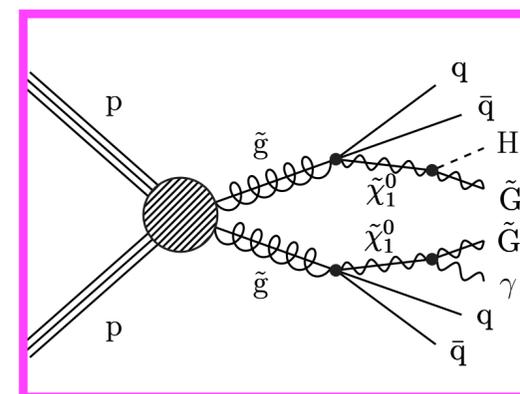


*Search for SUSY in  
photon + jets events*

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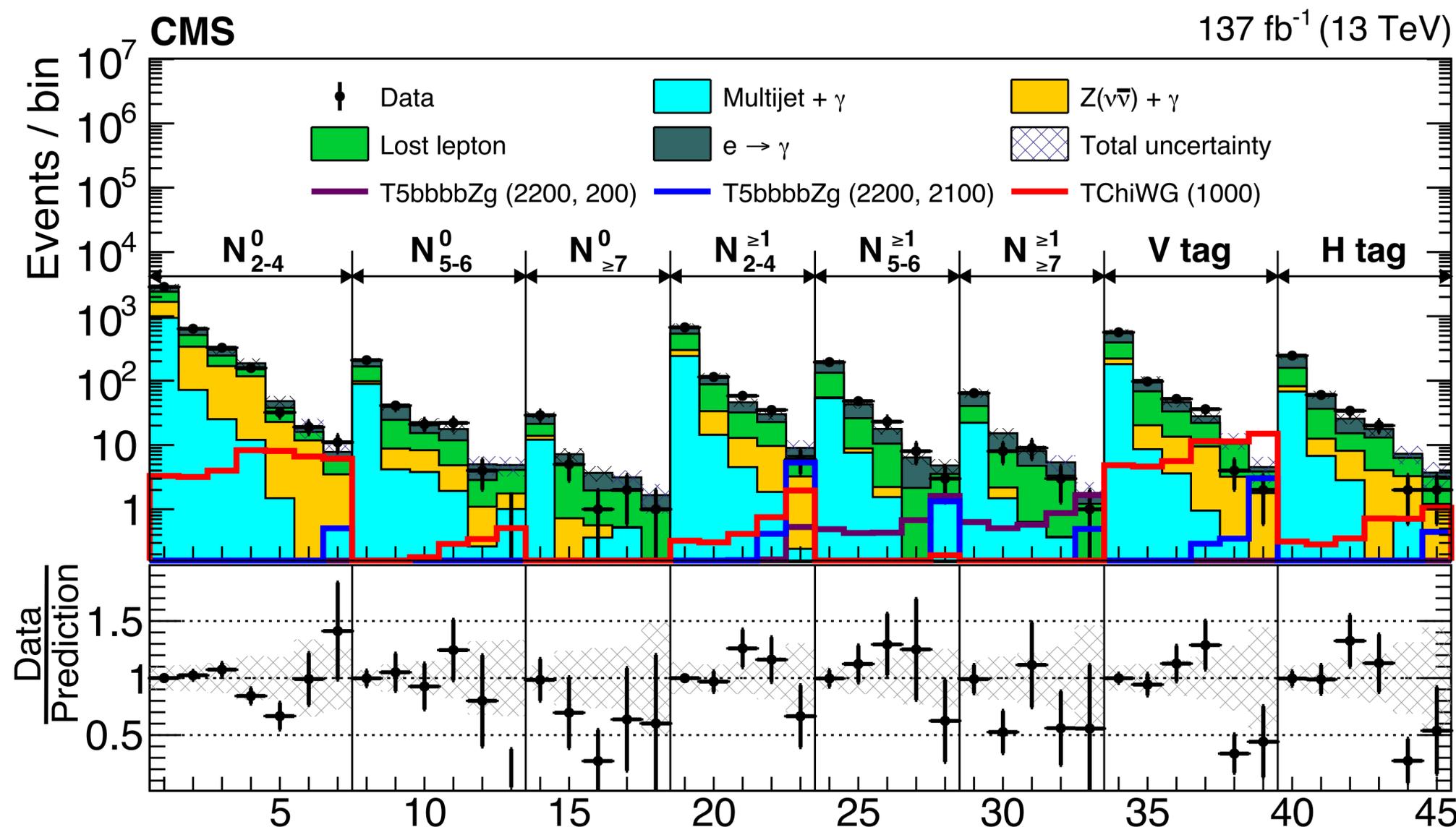


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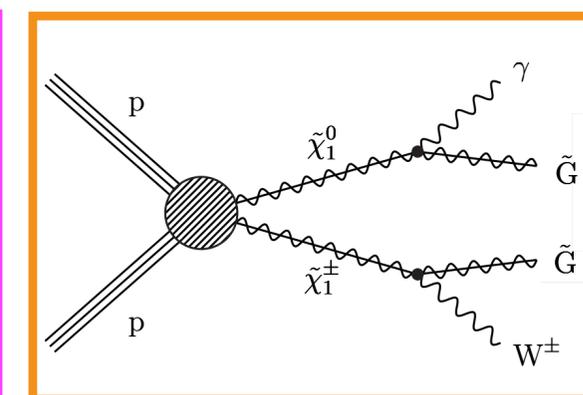
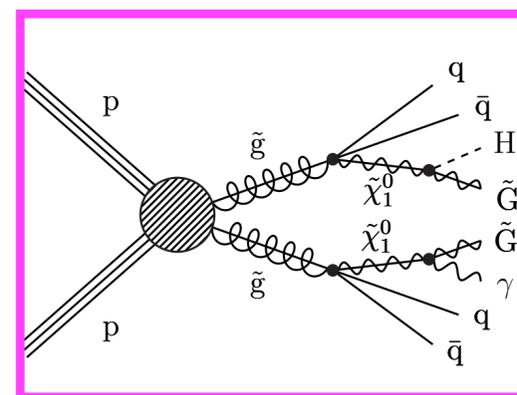
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Backgrounds estimated by transfer factors applied to data control regions

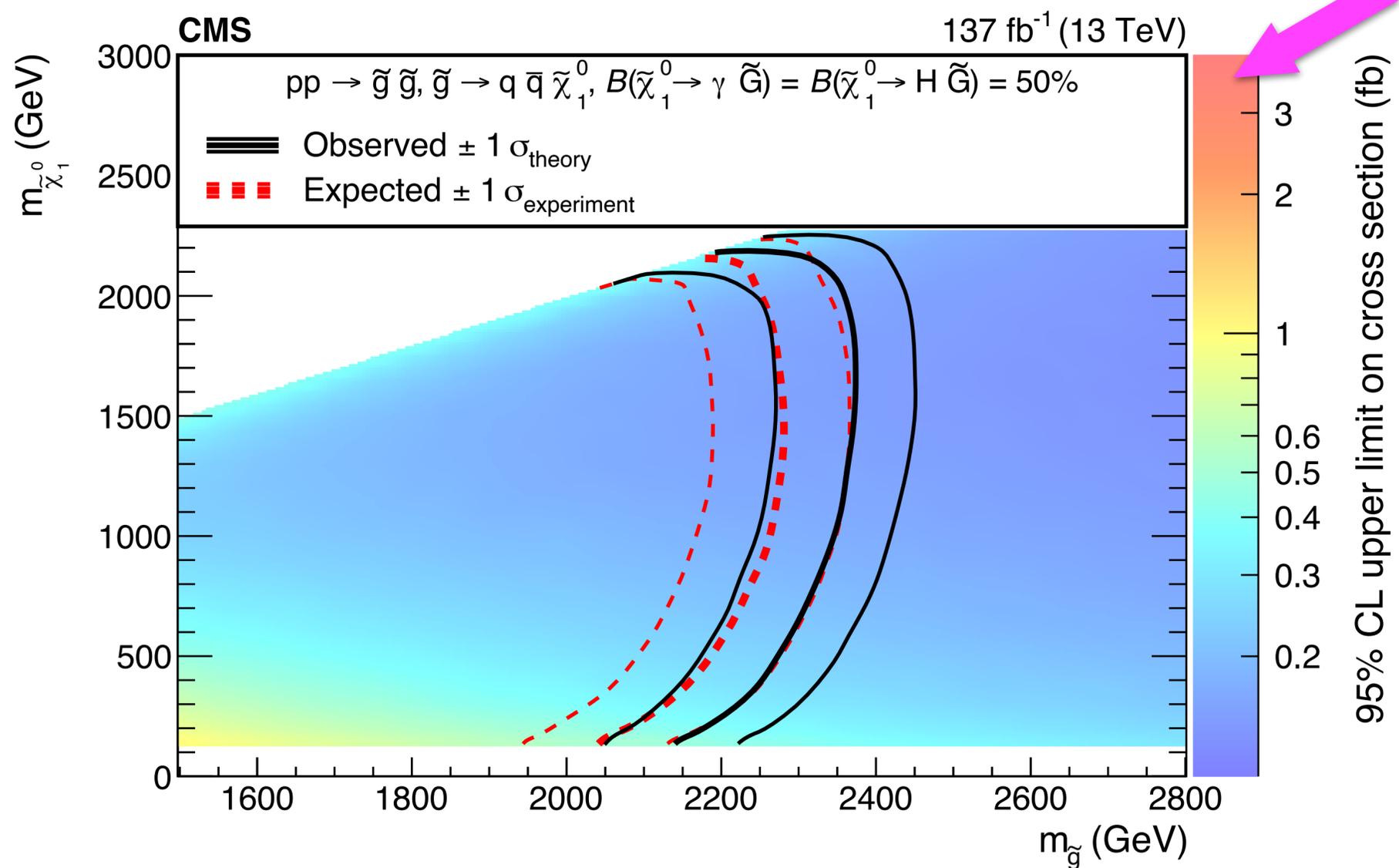
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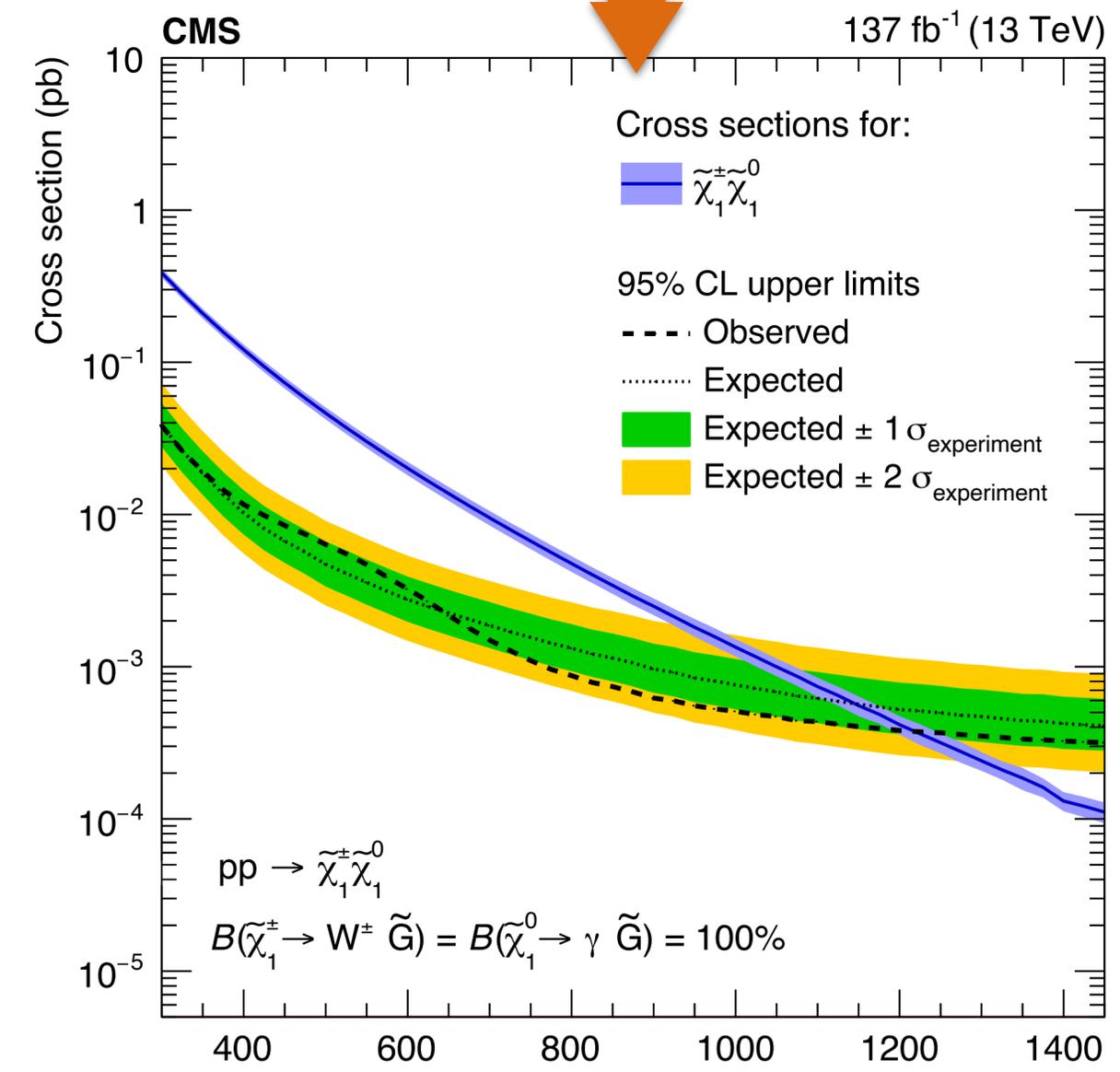
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$m_{\tilde{g}}$  excluded up to 2.35 TeV

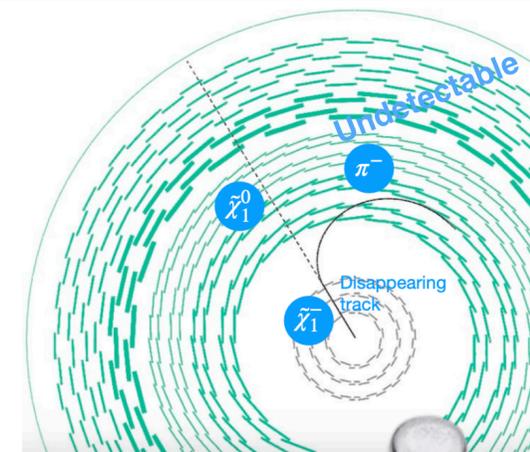
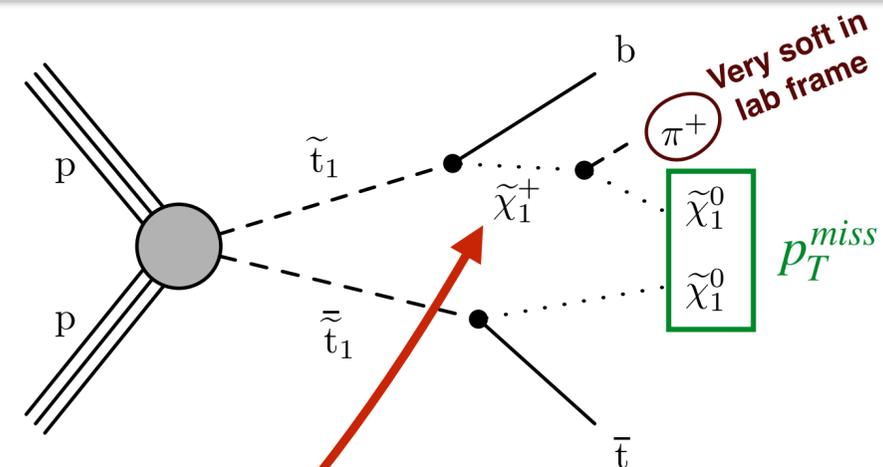


Wino-like excluded up to 1.23 TeV  $m_{\text{NLSP}}$  (GeV)

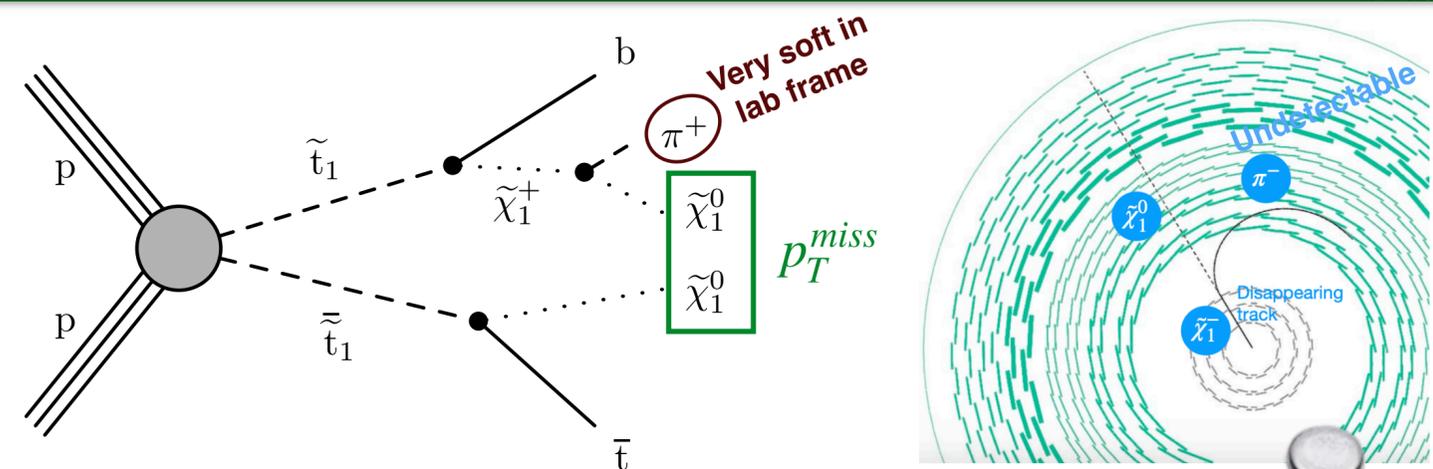


*Search for SUSY using  
disappearing tracks  
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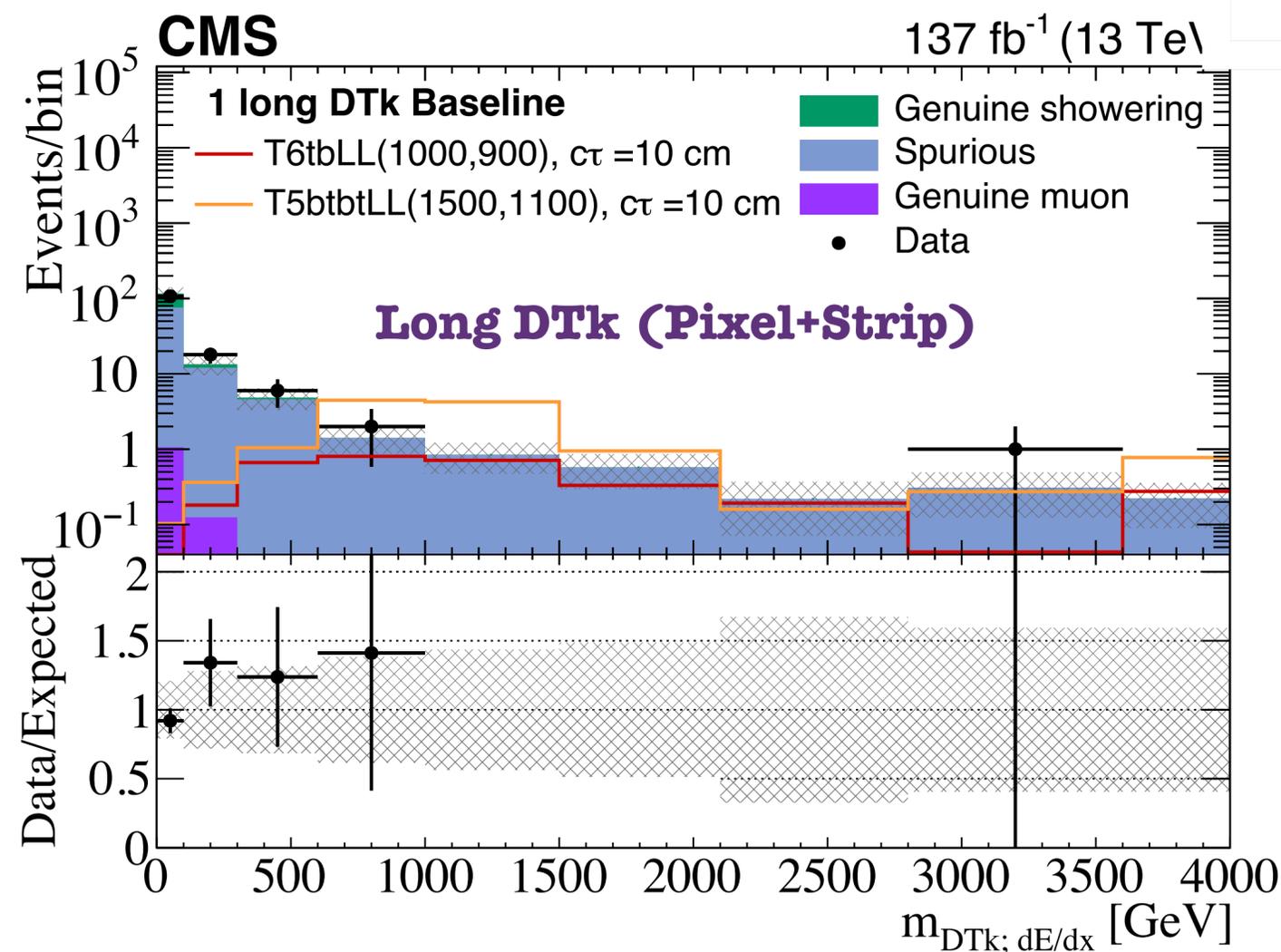
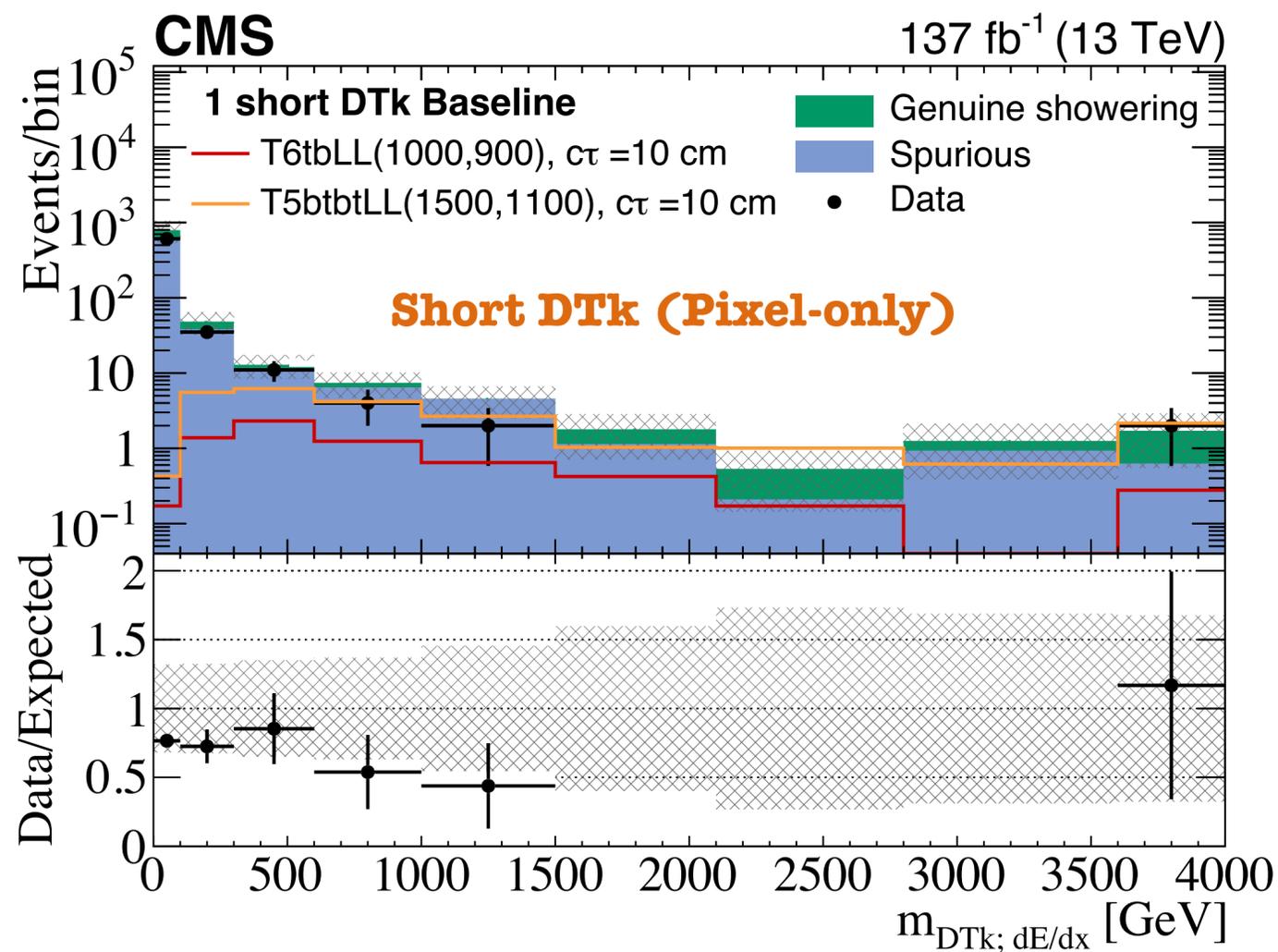
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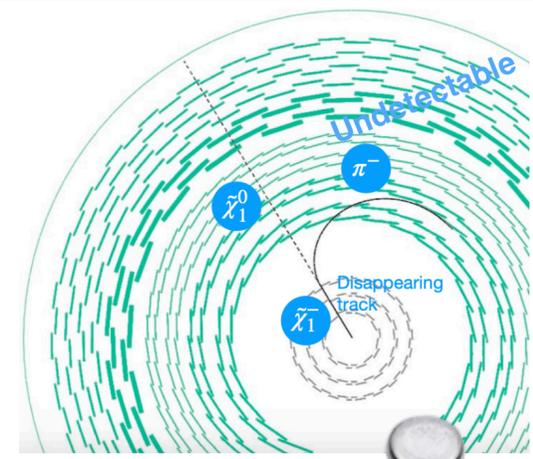
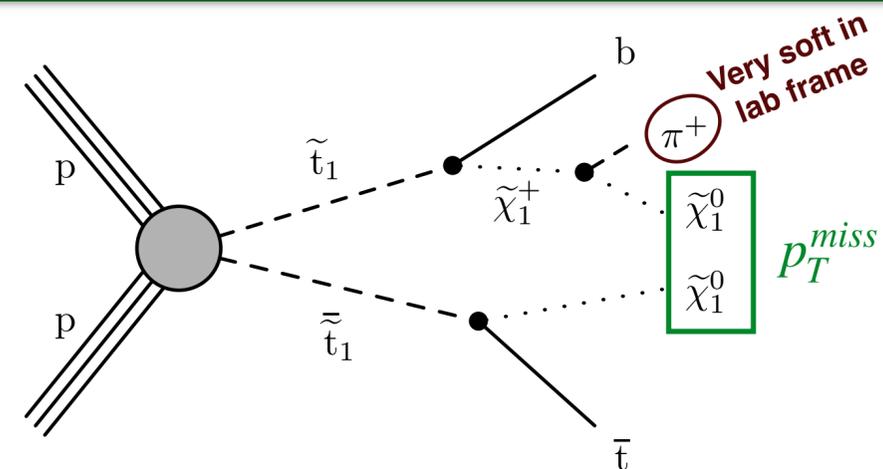
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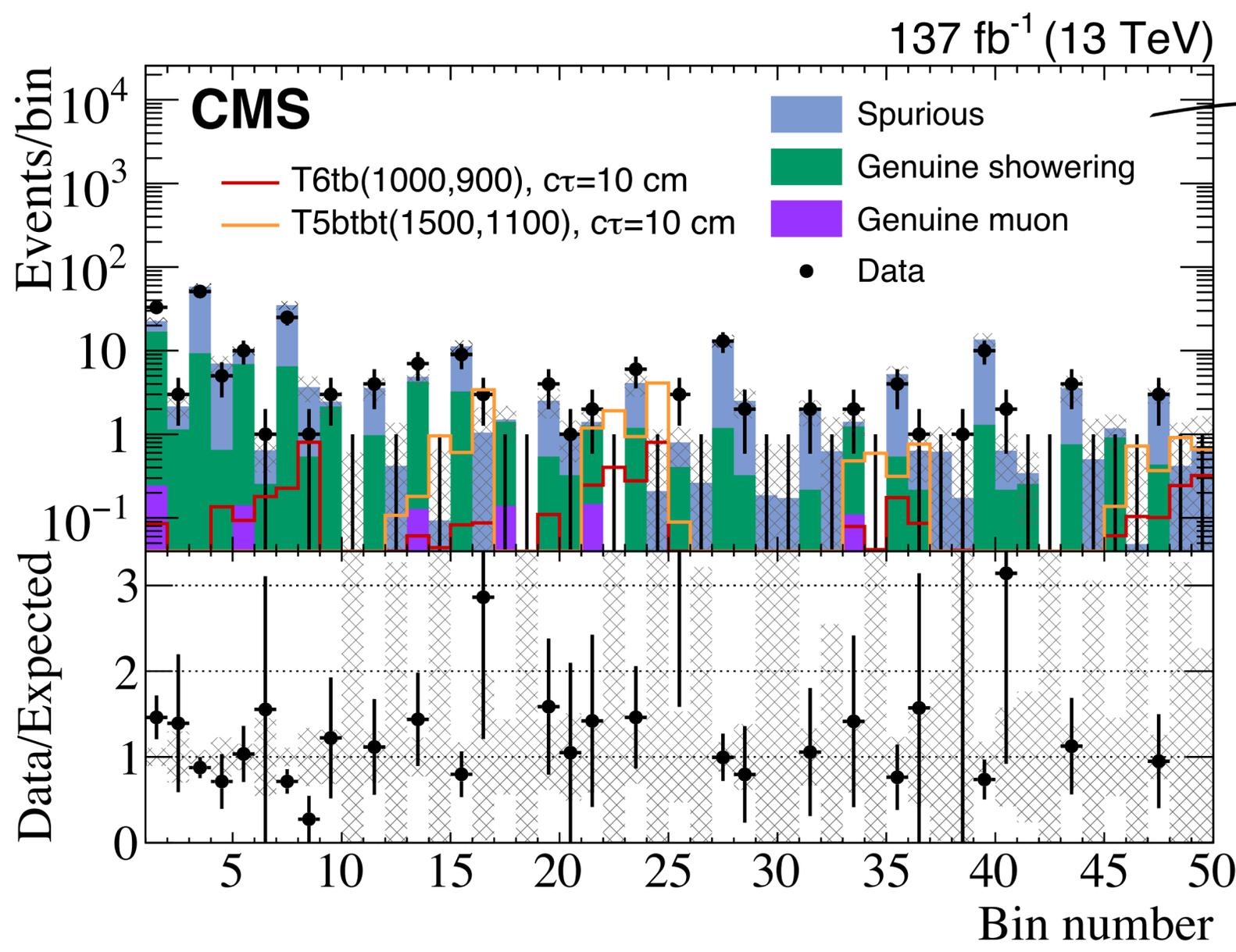
DTk are classified based on their  $dE/dx$  in the pixel detector



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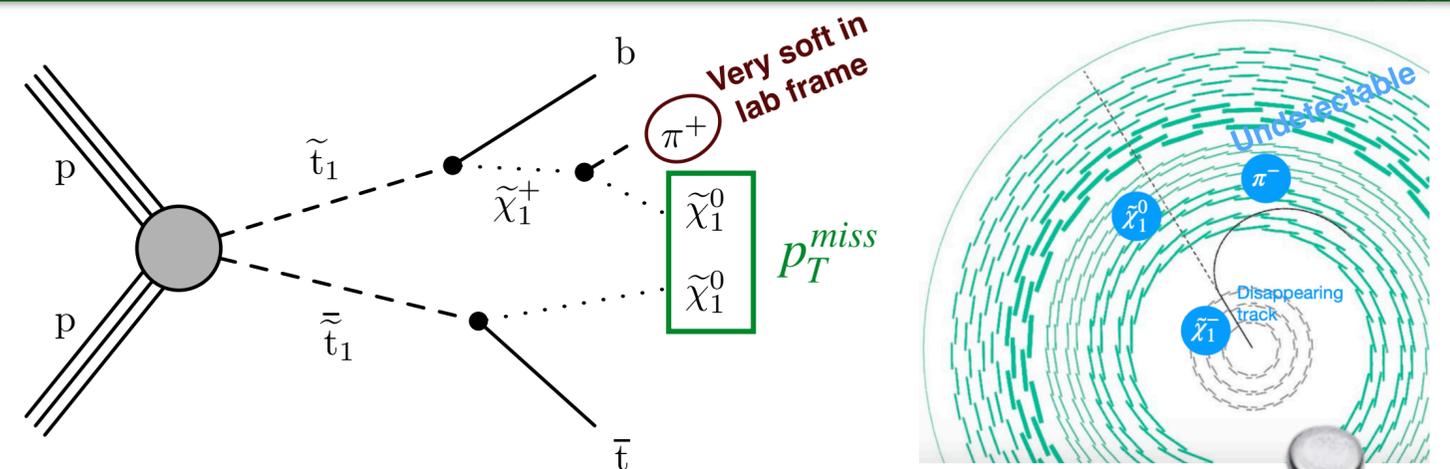
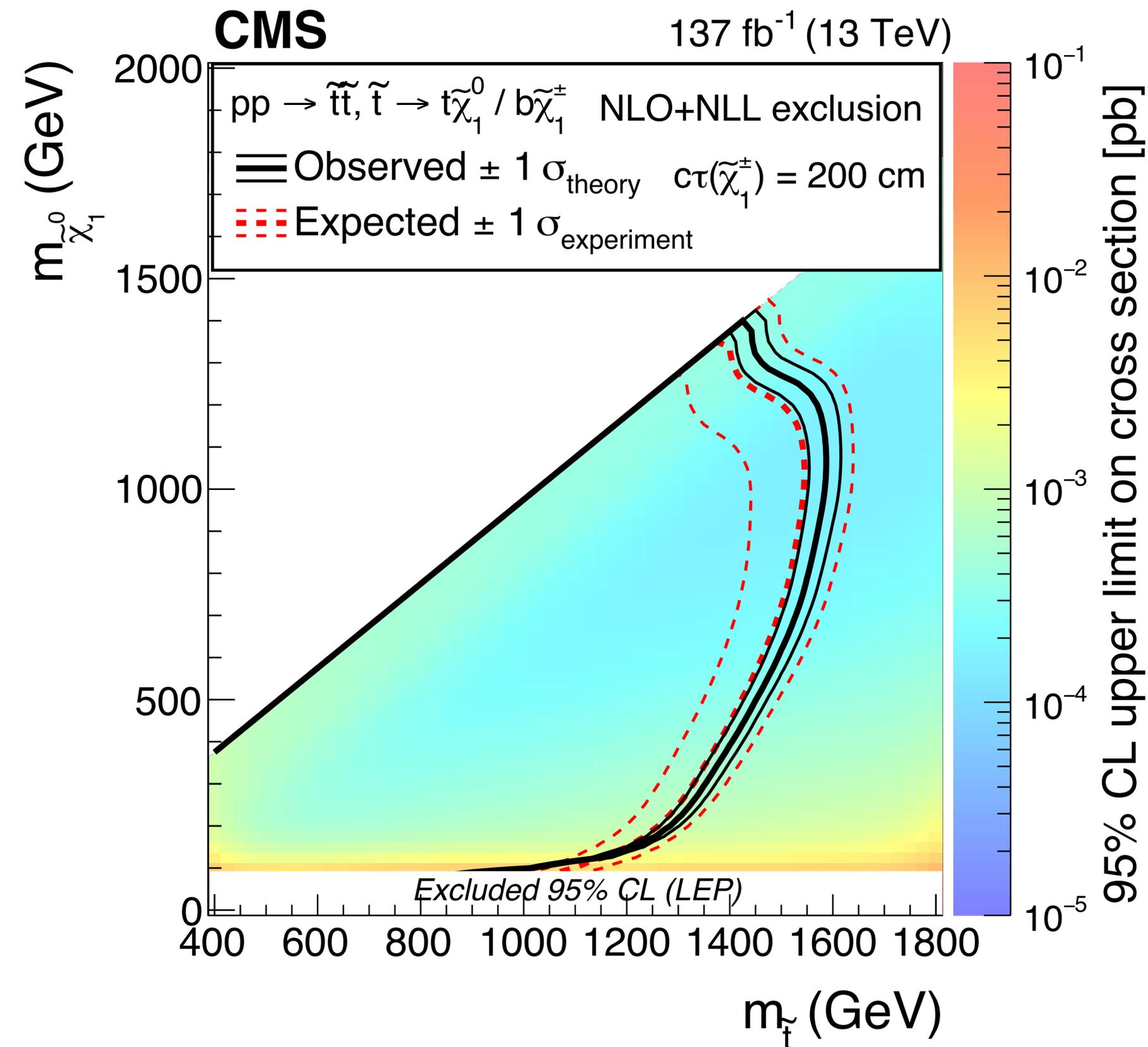


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Backgrounds mostly from instrumental effects (mis-reconstruction of tracks/particles)

**Data consistent with the expectation**

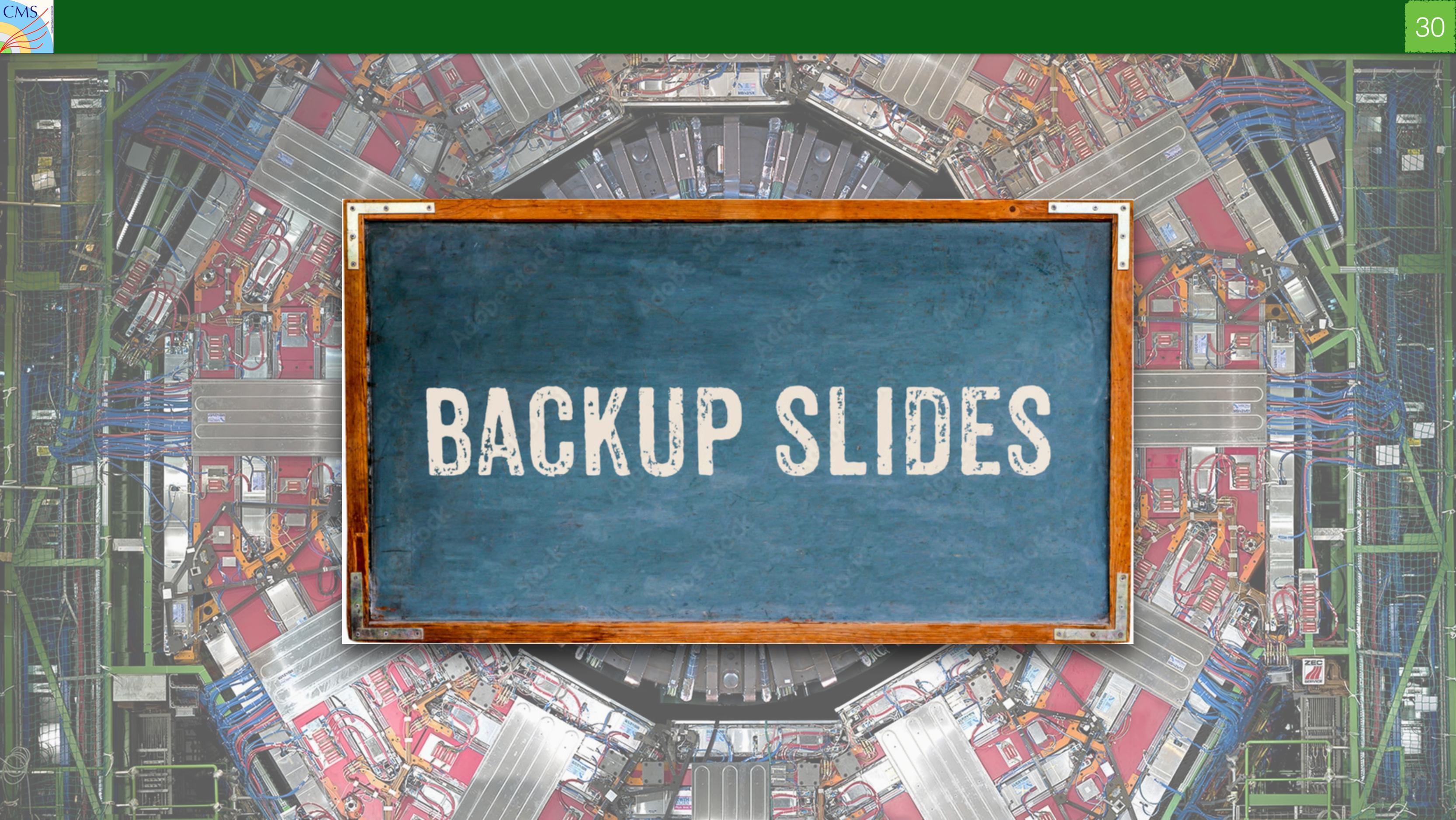


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- ▶ **Upper limits at 95% C.L.:**
  - for different choices of  $\tilde{\chi}_1^+$  proper decay length  $c\tau$
  - $m_{\tilde{t}}$  excluded up to ~1.6 TeV for  $c\tau(\tilde{\chi}_1^+) = 200$  cm
- ▶ **Upper limits also set for:**
  - $pp \rightarrow \tilde{b}\tilde{b}$ : excluding  $m_{\tilde{b}}$  up to ~1.5 TeV
  - $pp \rightarrow \tilde{g}\tilde{g}$ : excluding  $m_{\tilde{g}}$  up to ~2.3 TeV

- ★ **Recent CMS SUSY searches were presented using full Run 2 data @ 13 TeV**
  - ☆ Strong/Electroweak SUSY, Stealth SUSY, unconventional signatures (disappearing tracks)  
No evidence of physics beyond the Standard Model in LHC data
- ★ **CMS continues to enhance its search strategy**
  - ☆ Combining multiple searches, exploring challenging final states, etc
  - ☆ Small fraction of results, more SUSY searches in the [backup slide](#)
- ★ Some Run-2 analysis have not yet released their results though
- ★ **There is still room for improvement: LHC Run-3, HL-LHC, new detectors**

Thank you



**BACKUP SLIDES**

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