

t-channel dark matter, flavour anomalies and top flavour-changing neutral currents

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1. Top flavour-changing neutral currents

Why $t \rightarrow qX$ is extremely small in the SM?

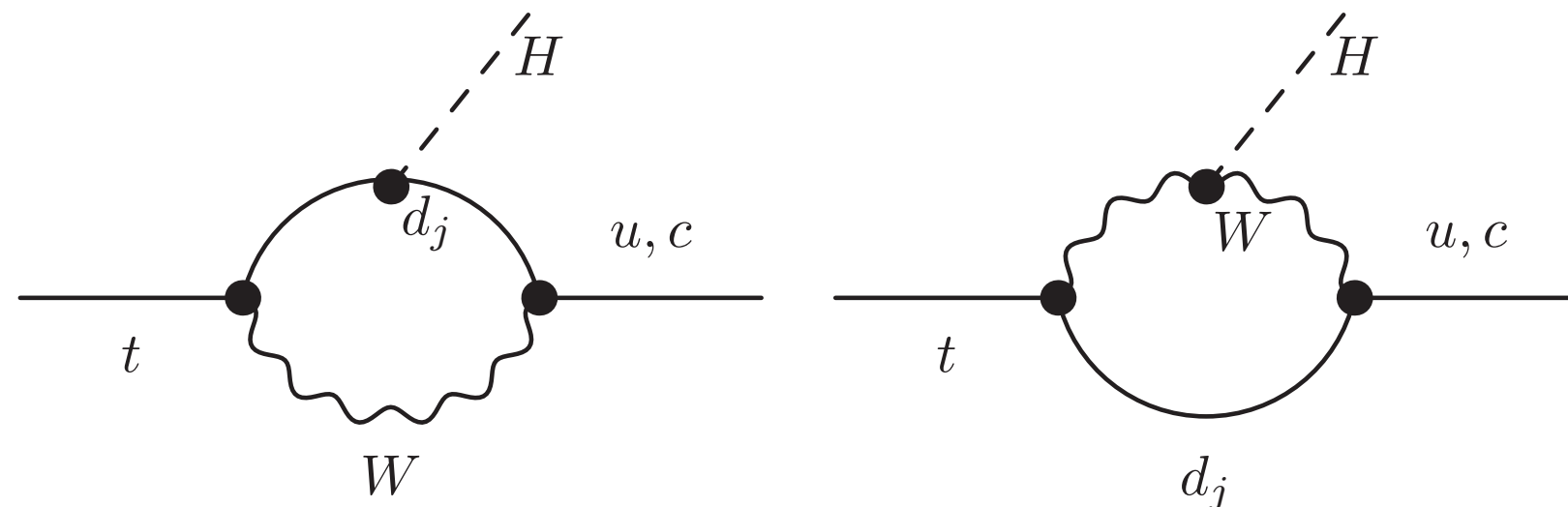
Let us take for example the Yukawa Lagrangian in the SM

$$-\mathcal{L} \supset Y_{ij}^d \bar{Q}_{L,i} \Phi d_{R,j} + Y_{ij}^u \bar{Q}_{L,i} \tilde{\Phi} u_{R,j} + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\implies -\mathcal{L} \supset m_u^i \bar{u}_{L,i} u_{R,i} \left(1 + \frac{H}{v}\right) + m_d^i \bar{d}_{L,i} d_{R,i} \left(1 + \frac{H}{v}\right) + \text{h.c.}$$

The tree-level Yukawa Higgs couplings to quarks is **diagonal** in flavour $\implies i\mathcal{M}(t \rightarrow cH) = 0$

What about the one-loop order?



Small because:

- Unitarity of the CKM matrix
- Small mass differences between the quarks running the loops.

$t \rightarrow qX$: Theory predictions

The rates of $t \rightarrow qX$ in the SM have been calculated nearly 33 years ago (G. Eilam, J. L. Hewett, A.Soni, PRD44 (1991) 1473-1484) \implies Too small to be observed even at HL-LHC or FCC-hh!!

Beyond the SM predictions?

- Flavor conserving (FC) 2HDM (Santi Bejar, hep-ph/0606138)
- Flavor violating (FV) 2HDM (J.A. Aguilar-Saavedra, hep-ph/0409342; David Atwood et al., hep-ph/9609279)
- The MSSM (J.J. Cao et al., hep-ph/0702264)
- The MSSM with R-parity violation (Jin Min Yang et al., hep-ph/9705341; G. Eilam et al., hep-ph/0102037).
- Warped extra dimensional models (Kaustubh Agashe et al., hep-ph/0606293; Kaustubh Agashe et al., 0906.1542)

| Process | 2HDM (FC) | 2HDM (FV) | MSSM | RPV-MSSM | RS |
|--|------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow Zc) \leq$ | 10^{-10} | 10^{-6} | 10^{-7} | 10^{-6} | 10^{-5} |
| $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow Zu) \leq$ | — | — | 10^{-7} | 10^{-6} | — |
| $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow gc) \leq$ | 10^{-8} | 10^{-4} | 10^{-7} | 10^{-6} | 10^{-10} |
| $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow gu) \leq$ | — | — | 10^{-7} | 10^{-6} | — |
| $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow \gamma c) \leq$ | 10^{-9} | 10^{-7} | 10^{-8} | 10^{-9} | 10^{-9} |
| $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow \gamma u) \leq$ | — | — | 10^{-8} | 10^{-9} | — |
| $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow Hc) \leq$ | 10^{-5} | 2×10^{-3} | 10^{-5} | 10^{-9} | 10^{-4} |
| $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow Hu) \leq$ | — | 6×10^{-6} | 10^{-5} | 10^{-9} | — |

Direct connection between DM and top FCNCs?

- Theoretically it is possible to have a DM that couples solely to the quark sector of the SM.
- In this case the mediator must have a color charge and therefore interacts via QCD with gluons.
These models are called t-channel models (C. Arina et al., 2010.07559, 2307.10367)
- In all these studies, the mediator is assumed to couple to one generation only!
⇒ Avoiding constraints from flavor physics especially FCNC decays.
- What if the mediator couples to all the quark generations (minimal)
⇒ The presence of DM and mediator will generate FCNC processes at the one-loop order.
- Depending on the spin of the mediator and DM, there are six minimal models for $SU(2)_L$ singlet mediators and six models for $SU(2)_L$ doublets!

The model

We extend the SM with two $SU(2)_L$ singlets: a colored scalar (S) and a right-handed fermion (χ)

$$S : (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1})_{+2/3}, \quad \chi : (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_0$$

Both χ and S are odd under an ad-hoc Z_2 symmetry while all the SM particles are even.

The interaction of χ to quarks resembles that of squark-quark-neutralino in supersymmetric models.

The right-handed fermion (χ) is a suitable DM candidate if $M_\chi < M_S$.

The model

Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \mathcal{L}_S + \mathcal{L}_\chi - V(S, \Phi)$$

S and χ Scalar potential

$$\mathcal{L}_S + \mathcal{L}_\chi \equiv i\bar{\chi}\not{\partial}\chi^c + \frac{1}{2}M_\chi\bar{\chi}\chi^c + (\mathcal{D}_\mu S)^\dagger(\mathcal{D}^\mu S) + \left(Y_q\bar{q}_R^c\chi S + \text{h.c.} \right)$$

Relevant for DM annihilation,
DM and S production at colliders.

$$V(S, \Phi) = -m_{11}^2|\Phi^\dagger\Phi| + m_{22}^2|S^\dagger S| + \lambda_1|\Phi^\dagger\Phi|^2 + \lambda_2|S^\dagger S|^2 + \lambda_3|S^\dagger S||\Phi^\dagger\Phi|$$

Relevant for DM co-annihilation,
Higgs decays.

The model

After electroweak symmetry breaking, one lefts with three extra states: S, S^\dagger, χ .

Parameters:

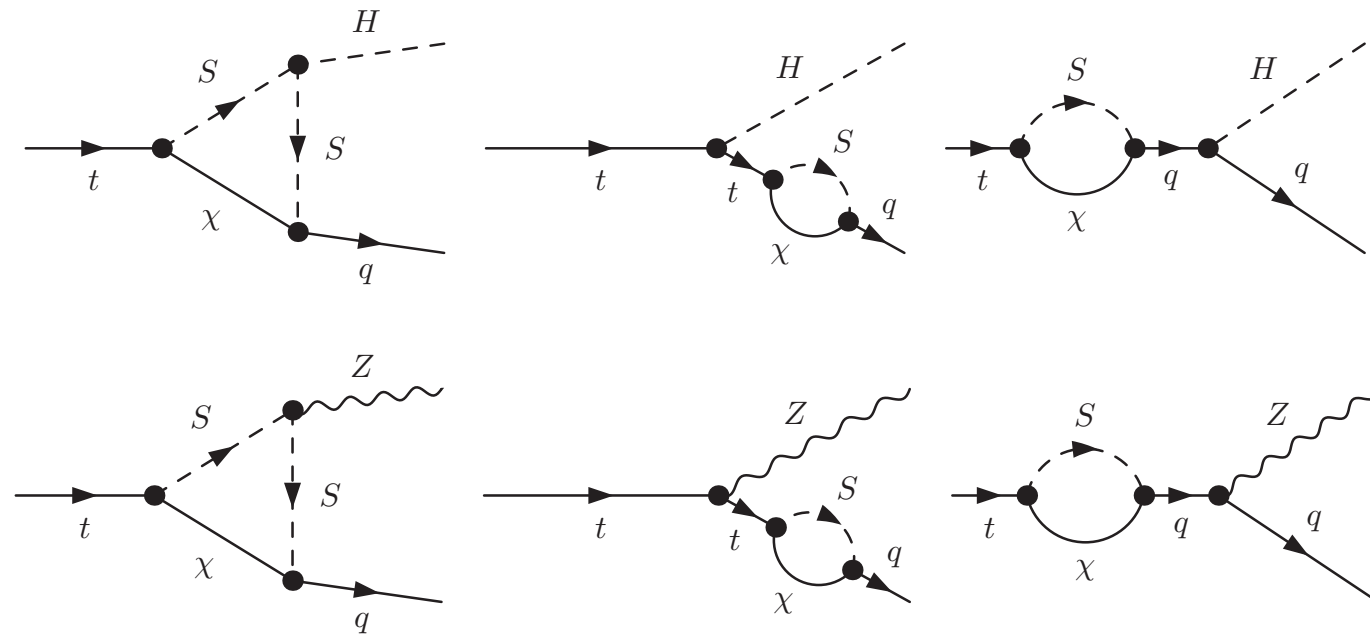
- Two masses: M_S and M_χ
- Two quartic couplings: λ_2 and λ_3 .
- Three dark-matter couplings: Y_u, Y_c and Y_t

Parameter ranges:

- $M_\chi \in [20, 2000]$ GeV
- $\Delta \equiv M_S - M_\chi = 100, 300, 500$ GeV
- $Y_q Y_t = 0.5, 1, 3$.
- $\lambda_2 = 1$
- $\lambda_3 = -1, 0, 1, 3$ (for illustration).

Top quark FCNC decays

In this work, we consider two FCNC decays of the top quark: $t \rightarrow qH$ and $t \rightarrow qZ$

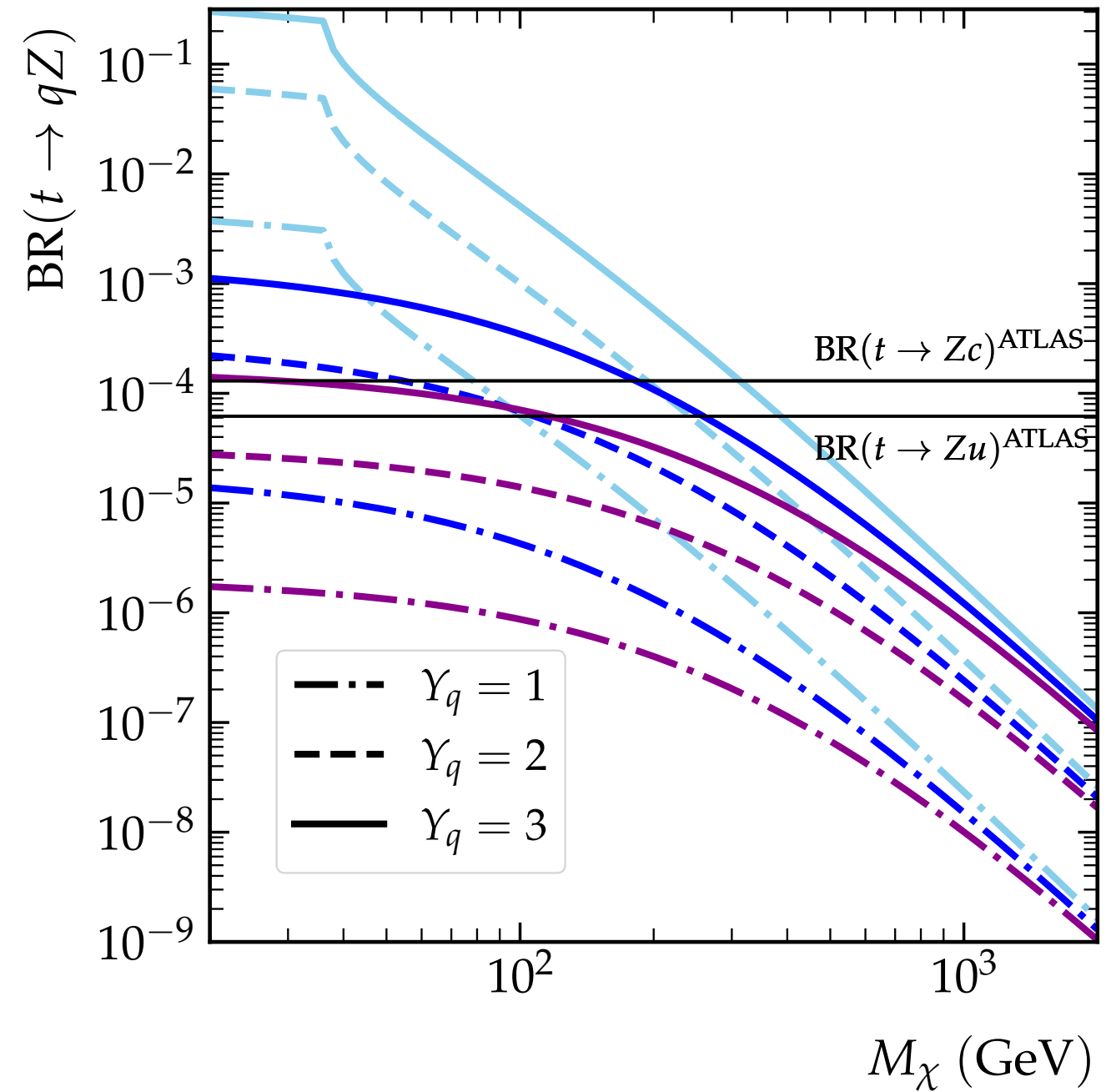
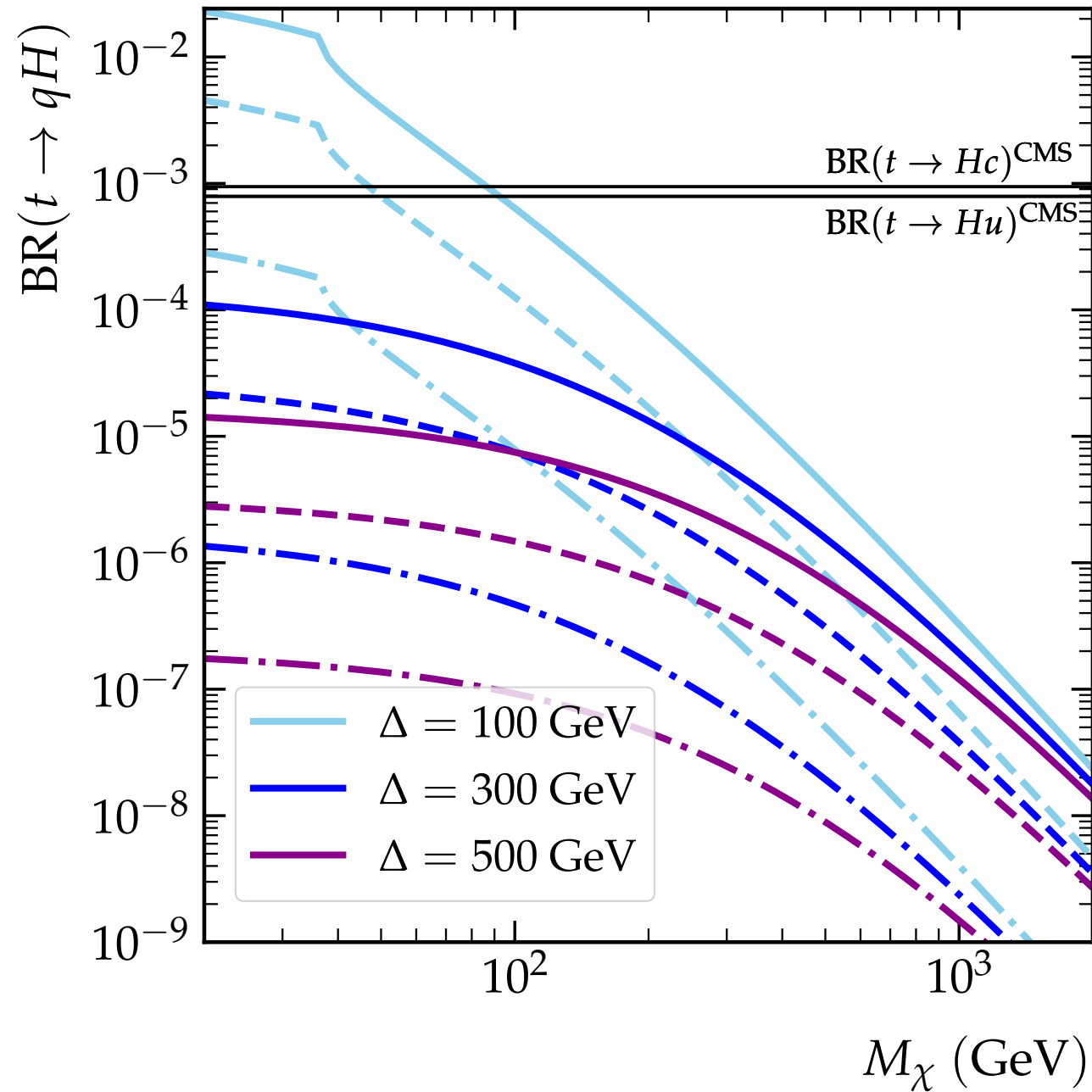


The effective Lagrangian can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
 -\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = & \bar{t}\gamma^\mu (f_{tqZ}^L P_L + f_{tqZ}^R P_R) q Z_\mu + \bar{t}p^\mu (g_{tqZ}^L P_L + g_{tqZ}^R P_R) q Z_\mu \\
 & + \bar{t}(f_{tqH}^L P_L + f_{tqH}^R P_R) q H + \text{h.c.},
 \end{aligned}$$

$f_{tqX}^{L,R}, g_{tqZ}^{L,R}$ are the form factors calculable at the one-loop order.

Top quark FCNC decays



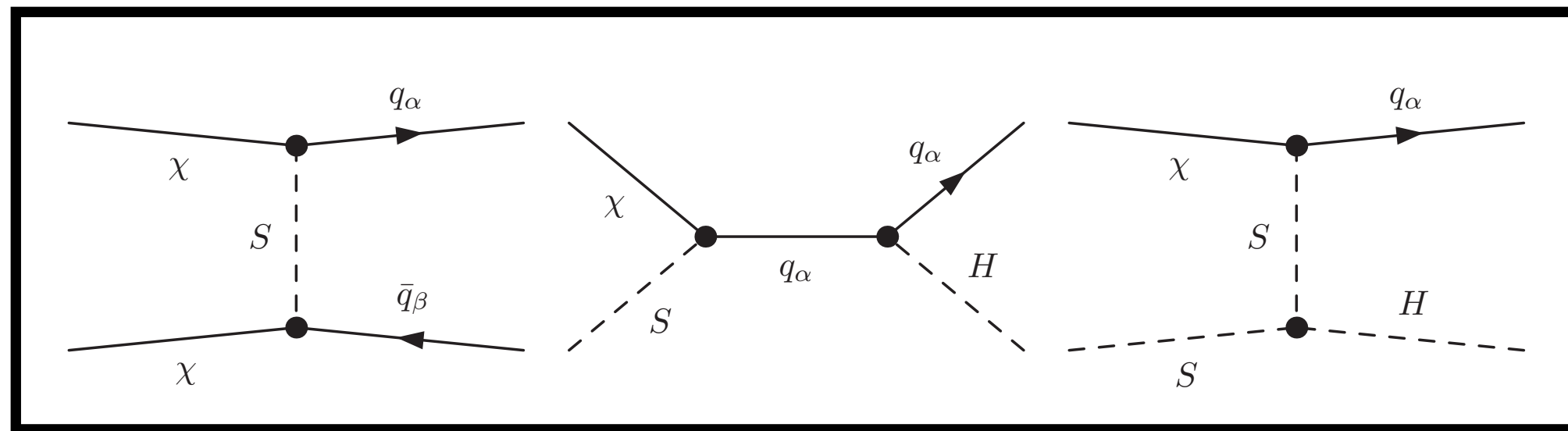
$$\text{BR}(t \rightarrow qX) \equiv \frac{\Gamma(t \rightarrow qX)}{\Gamma(t \rightarrow bW)_{\text{NNLO}}}$$

$$r \equiv \frac{\text{BR}(t \rightarrow qZ)}{\text{BR}(t \rightarrow qH)} \equiv \frac{1}{\lambda_3^2} \mathcal{O}(10)$$

Dark matter relic density

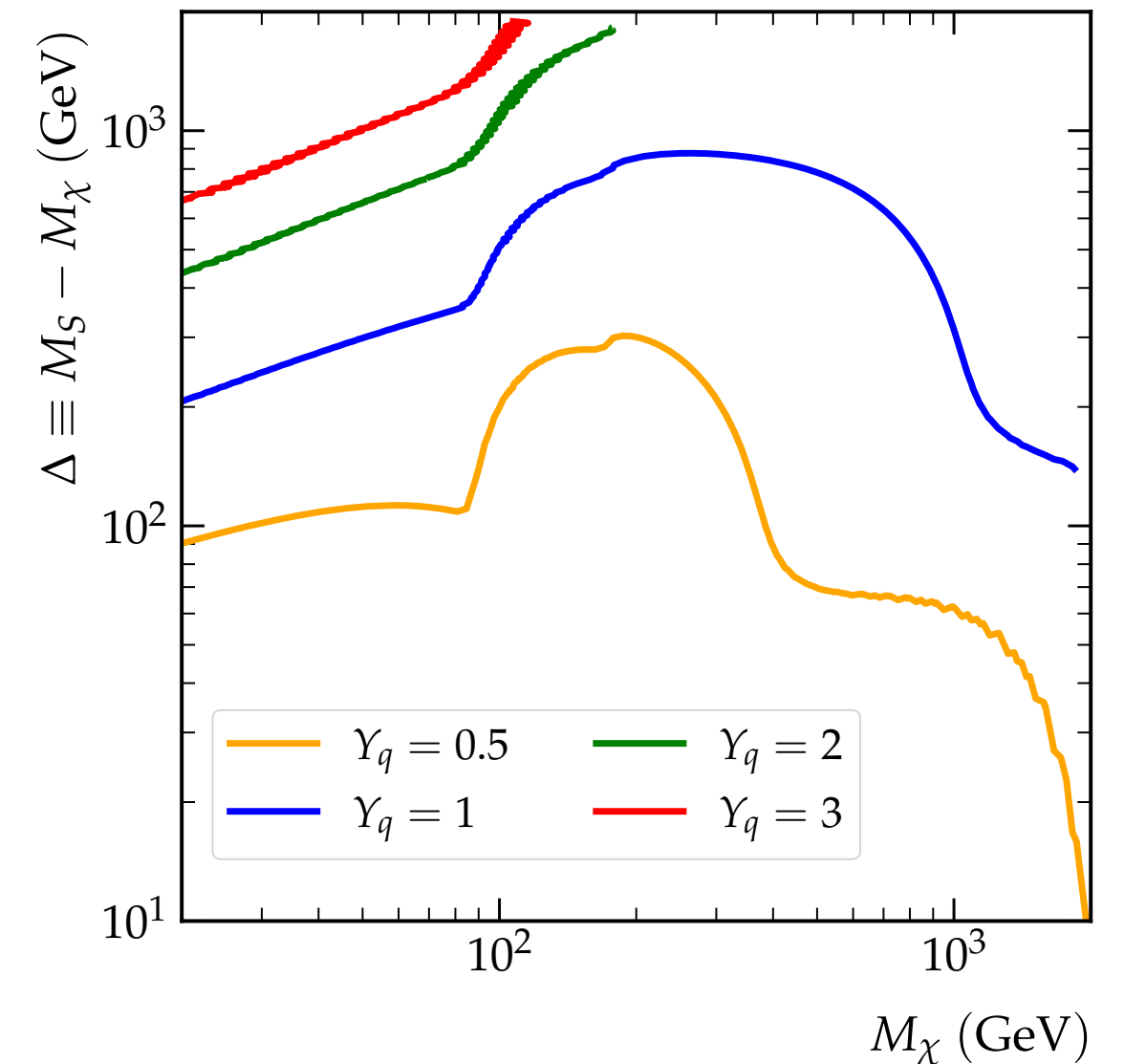
The relic density of the χ is generated through the standard freeze-out mechanism.

$$\chi\chi \rightarrow q_\alpha \bar{q}_\beta \quad \chi S \rightarrow q_\alpha \gamma / Z / H / g \quad (\text{for } \Delta / M_\chi < 0.1)$$

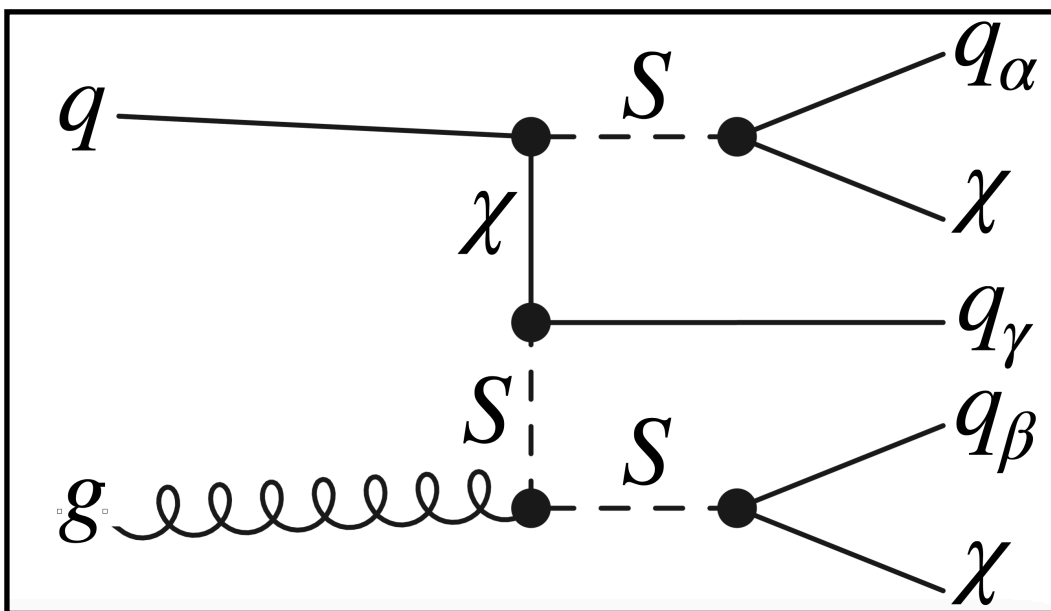


Annihilation

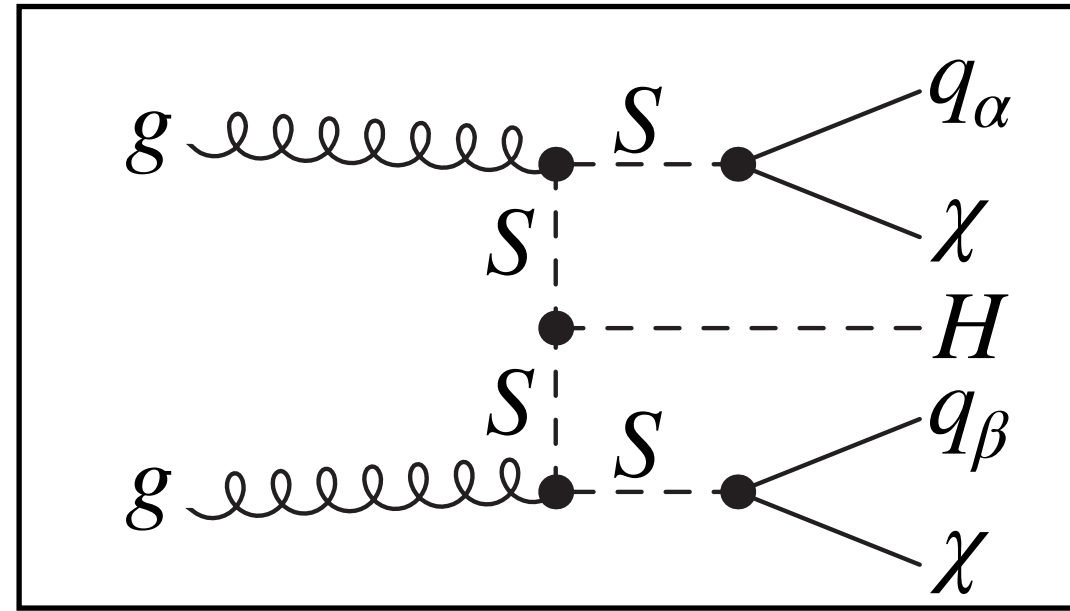
Co-annihilation



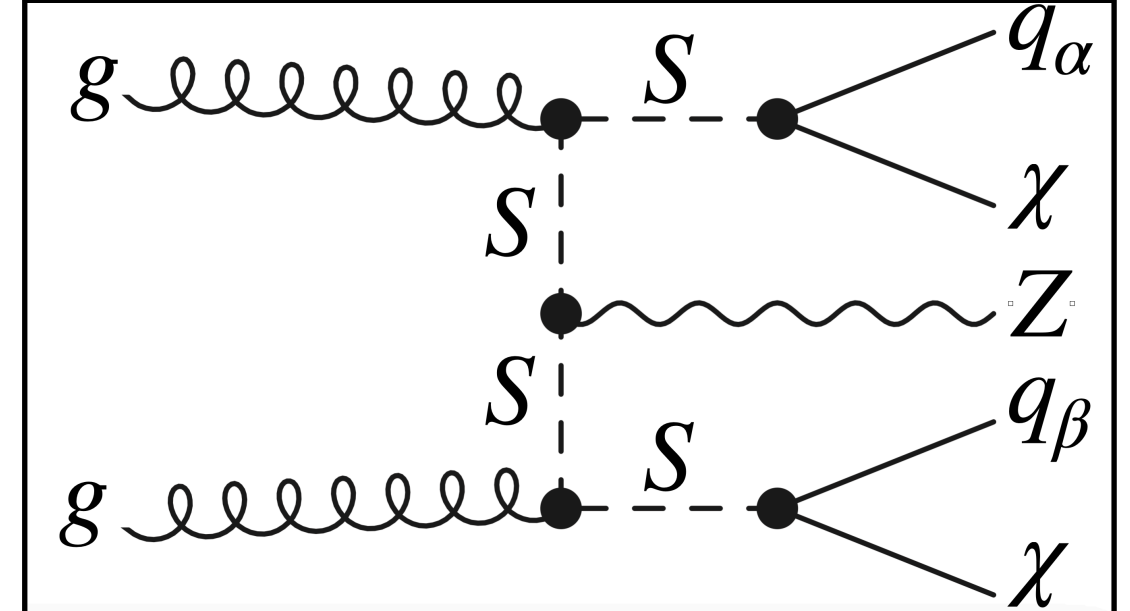
Future prospects at colliders



$$\propto Y_{q_\alpha} Y_{q_\beta} Y_{q_\gamma}$$



$$\propto Y_{q_\alpha} Y_{q_\beta} \lambda_3$$



$$\propto Y_{q_\alpha} Y_{q_\beta}$$

Correlate FCNC and DM
for $q_\alpha q_\beta \equiv t\bar{c} + \text{h.c.}$

Benchmark points

| Benchmark point | Quantity | BP1 | BP2 | BP3 | BP4 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Parameters | Y_u | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.4 |
| | Y_c | 0.4 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| | Y_t | 0.4 | 1.2 | 2.0 | 0.8 |
| | λ_3 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| | M_χ (GeV) | 500 | 200 | 100 | 600 |
| | Δ (GeV) | 57 | 650 | 500 | 250 |
| Branching ratios | | | | | |
| BR($S \rightarrow q\chi$) | BR($S \rightarrow u\chi$) | 0.5 | 0.076 | 0.0 | 0.101 |
| | BR($S \rightarrow c\chi$) | 0.5 | 0.303 | 0.231 | 0.632 |
| | BR($S \rightarrow t\chi$) | 0.0 | 0.621 | 0.769 | 0.267 |
| | Γ_S/M_S | 1.18×10^{-4} | 3.64×10^{-2} | 8.31×10^{-2} | 7.92×10^{-3} |
| BR($t \rightarrow qX$) | BR($t \rightarrow cH$) | 1.02×10^{-8} | 7.92×10^{-8} | 5.91×10^{-6} | 1.43×10^{-7} |
| | BR($t \rightarrow uH$) | 1.02×10^{-8} | 1.97×10^{-8} | 0.0 | 2.29×10^{-8} |
| | BR($t \rightarrow cZ$) | 1.50×10^{-8} | 1.79×10^{-7} | 3.49×10^{-6} | 5.92×10^{-8} |
| | BR($t \rightarrow uZ$) | 1.50×10^{-8} | 4.48×10^{-8} | 0.0 | 9.48×10^{-9} |
| Dark matter | $\Omega_\chi h^2$ | 0.118 | 6.42×10^{-2} | 8.58×10^{-2} | 1.05×10^{-1} |
| | σ_{SI}^p (pb) | 4.74×10^{-11} | 3.51×10^{-14} | 4.57×10^{-13} | 2.97×10^{-12} |

Benchmark points

| Production cross sections [fb] | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 13.6 TeV | $S\chi$ | 61.1 | 32.3 | 78.9 | 13.4 |
| | SS^\dagger | 155.8 | 11.9 | 106.0 | 11.6 |
| | $SS + \text{h.c.}$ | 17.9 | 1.45 | 0.48 | 5.47 |
| | $\chi\chi H$ | 3.36×10^{-4} | 1.06×10^{-3} | 1.43×10^{-2} | 4.94×10^{-4} |
| | $\chi\chi Z$ | 1.82×10^{-3} | 1.25×10^{-2} | 1.48×10^{-2} | 2.08×10^{-3} |
| | χSH | 5.35×10^{-2} | 1.54×10^{-2} | 1.77×10^{-1} | 3.02×10^{-2} |
| | χSZ | 4.44×10^{-2} | 2.27×10^{-2} | 3.88×10^{-2} | 1.12×10^{-2} |
| | $SS^\dagger j$ | 219.8 | 16.4 | 145.9 | 16.3 |
| | $SS^\dagger \gamma$ | 1.02 | 0.11 | 0.74 | 0.11 |
| | $SS^\dagger t$ | 8.21×10^{-2} | 0.14 | 1.01 | 4.50×10^{-2} |
| | $SS^\dagger H$ | 0.48 | 2.56×10^{-2} | 1.22 | 0.10 |
| | $SS^\dagger Z$ | 0.24 | 2.85×10^{-2} | 0.18 | 2.86×10^{-2} |
| | 100 TeV | $S\chi$ | 3.41×10^3 | 2.32×10^3 | 6.53×10^3 |
| SS^\dagger | | 28.82×10^3 | 4.63×10^3 | 21.36×10^3 | 4.61×10^3 |
| $SS + \text{h.c.}$ | | 225.4 | 49.4 | 53.9 | 230.6 |
| $\chi\chi H$ | | 1.61×10^{-2} | 4.04×10^{-2} | 8.12×10^{-1} | 4.69×10^{-2} |
| $\chi\chi Z$ | | 9.91×10^{-2} | 5.03×10^{-1} | 8.84×10^{-1} | 2.04×10^{-1} |
| χSH | | 4.32 | 1.63 | 22.2 | 5.06 |
| χSZ | | 4.24 | 2.27 | 5.35 | 2.26 |
| $SS^\dagger j$ | | 58.65×10^3 | 10.36×10^3 | 43.92×10^3 | 10.32×10^3 |
| $SS^\dagger \gamma$ | | 138.0 | 24.8 | 89.1 | 27.5 |
| $SS^\dagger t$ | | 13.8 | 66.5 | 373.1 | 22.5 |
| $SS^\dagger H$ | | 128.5 | 14.5 | 357.8 | 58.4 |
| $SS^\dagger Z$ | | 26.5 | 6.66 | 21.6 | 6.70 |

2. Flavour anomalies

Flavour anomalies

- There are strong hints for the breakdown of the lepton flavour universality in the heavy meson decays.... **UPDATE: They are going away!**

$$R_{K^{(*)}} \equiv \frac{\text{BR}(B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \mu^+ \mu^-)}{\text{BR}(B \rightarrow K^{(*)} e^+ e^-)}$$



$$R_{D^{(*)}} \equiv \frac{\text{BR}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \bar{\nu}_\tau)}{\text{BR}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \nu_\ell)}$$

- To address both the anomalies two species of Leptoquarks are usually introduced
 R_2 models — $(3, 2)_{7/6}$ with couplings to taus and electrons (**O. Popov, M. Schmidt, G.White, 1905.06339**)
Two-leptoquark model inspired by GUT: R_2 and S_3 . The two Leptoquarks couple to muons and taus (**D. Becerivic et al. 1806.05689**)
The singlet-triplet model: S_1 and S_3 . Can also addresses the muon anomalous magnetic moment (**A. Crivellin, D. Muller, F. Saturnino, 1912.04224**)

A simultaneous solution to $R_{D^{(*)}}$ and DM

- We minimally extend the Standard Model with three extra states: a scalar Leptoquark singlet (S_1), a colored Dirac fermion (χ_1) and a Majorana fermion (χ_0)

$$S_1 : (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1})_{-1/3}, \quad \chi_1 : (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1})_{-1/3}, \quad \chi_0 : (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_0$$

Even under Z_2 Odd under Z_2

- The most general Lagrangian is thus given by

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} + \left[\lambda_R \bar{u}_R^c \ell_R S_1^\dagger + \lambda_L \bar{Q}_L^c \cdot L_L S_1^\dagger + y_\chi \bar{\chi}_1 \chi_0 S_1 + \text{h.c.} \right]$$

Link to the FR model file: <https://feynrules.irmp.ucl.ac.be/wiki/LQDM>

Benchmark slopes and benchmark scenarios

- The results shown in the previous slide are displayed in the plane defined by

$$\tilde{\lambda}_L \equiv (\lambda_L)_{33}(\text{TeV}/M_{S_1}) \text{ and } \tilde{\lambda}_R \equiv (\lambda_R)_{23} (\text{TeV}/M_{S_1})$$

- A choice of $\tilde{\lambda}_L$ and $\tilde{\lambda}_R$ defines a benchmark slope (BS) while adding the LQ mass define the benchmark scenario (BS)

BS1a → Latin character defines the benchmark scenario

↙ Arab numeral defines the benchmark slope

Two benchmark slopes are defined throughout this study:

- **BS1:** $(\tilde{\lambda}_L, \tilde{\lambda}_R) = (0.7, 0.3)$
- **BS2:** $(\tilde{\lambda}_L, \tilde{\lambda}_R) = (0.24, 1.0)$

Benchmark slopes and benchmark scenarios

| Name | M_{S_1} [GeV] | λ_L | λ_R | $\text{BR}(S_1 \rightarrow b\nu)$ | $\text{BR}(S_1 \rightarrow t\tau)$ | $\text{BR}(S_1 \rightarrow c\tau)$ | Γ_{S_1} [GeV] |
|------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| BS1a | 1250 | 0.875 | 0.375 | 0.466 | 0.448 | 0.086 | 40.9 |
| BS2a | 1250 | 0.3 | 1.25 | 0.053 | 0.050 | 0.897 | 43.24 |
| BS1b | 1500 | 1.05 | 0.45 | 0.463 | 0.451 | 0.086 | 70.98 |
| BS2b | 1500 | 0.36 | 1.5 | 0.052 | 0.050 | 0.898 | 74.78 |
| BS1c | 1700 | 1.19 | 0.51 | 0.462 | 0.452 | 0.085 | 103.60 |
| BS2c | 1700 | 0.408 | 1.7 | 0.052 | 0.051 | 0.897 | 108.88 |

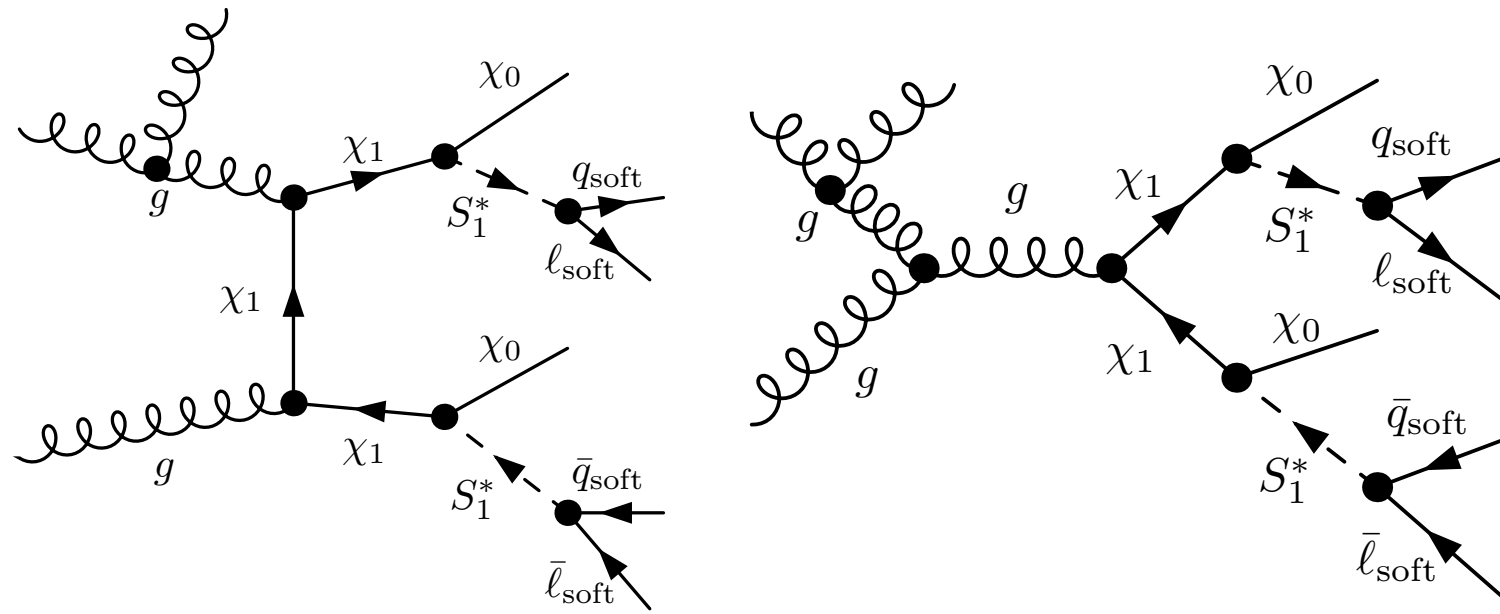
Some characteristics of the Benchmark scenarios being used for $y_\chi = 0$

LHC constraints: Introduction

In this model, we have three major classes of LHC constraints:

- **Missing energy searches:** In this case, a pair of χ_1 particles are produced and then decays into $\ell q \chi_0$. Depending on the mass splitting, one can have various signatures: mono-jet, soft-lepton, multijet+MET, tautau+MET
- **Leptoquark searches:** This case has two sub-categories which are either through leptoquark pair production (lead to two quarks+two leptons) or single leptoquark production (leads to one lepton and two quarks).
- **Resonant leptoquark plus MET:** This can be relevant in case of leptoquark pair production with one leptoquark decays to quark and lepton and the other one invisibly.

LHC constraints: MET searches



| Search | arXiv | \mathcal{L} [fb^{-1}] | BS1 | BS2 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|-----|-----|
| CMS $b/c + \text{MET}$ | 1707.07274 [45] | 35.9 | ✓ | X |
| ATLAS $b\bar{b} + \text{MET}$ | 2101.12527 [46] | 139 | ✓ | X |
| CMS $l_{\text{soft}} + \text{MET}$ | 1801.01846 [47] | 35.9 | X | ✓ |
| ATLAS mono-jet | 2102.10874 [48] | 139 | ✓ | ✓ |
| ATLAS $\tau^+\tau^- + \text{MET}$ | 1911.06660 [49] | 139 | X | ✓ |
| ATLAS multi-jet | 2010.14293 [50] | 139 | X | ✓ |

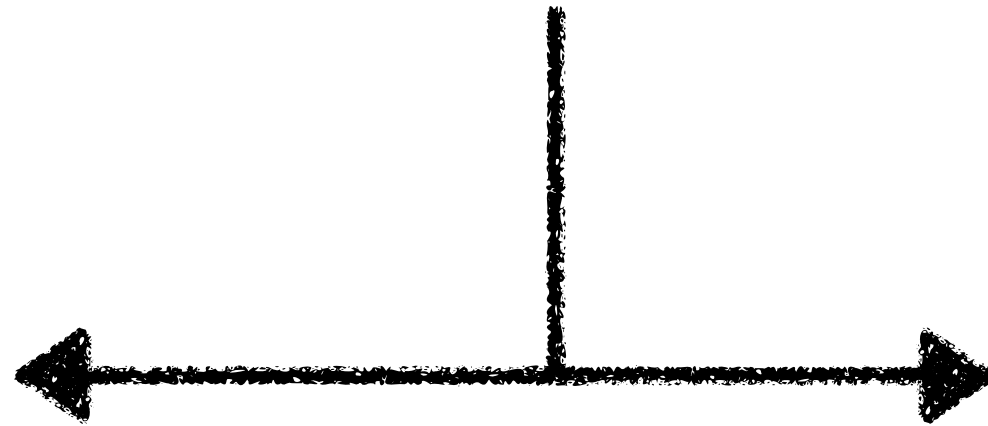
$$m_b < \Delta < m_t$$

$$pp \rightarrow \bar{\chi}_1 \chi_1 \rightarrow (\chi_0 \ell q) (\chi_0 \bar{\ell} \bar{q})$$

$$\Delta < m_b$$

Main decays of χ_1 :

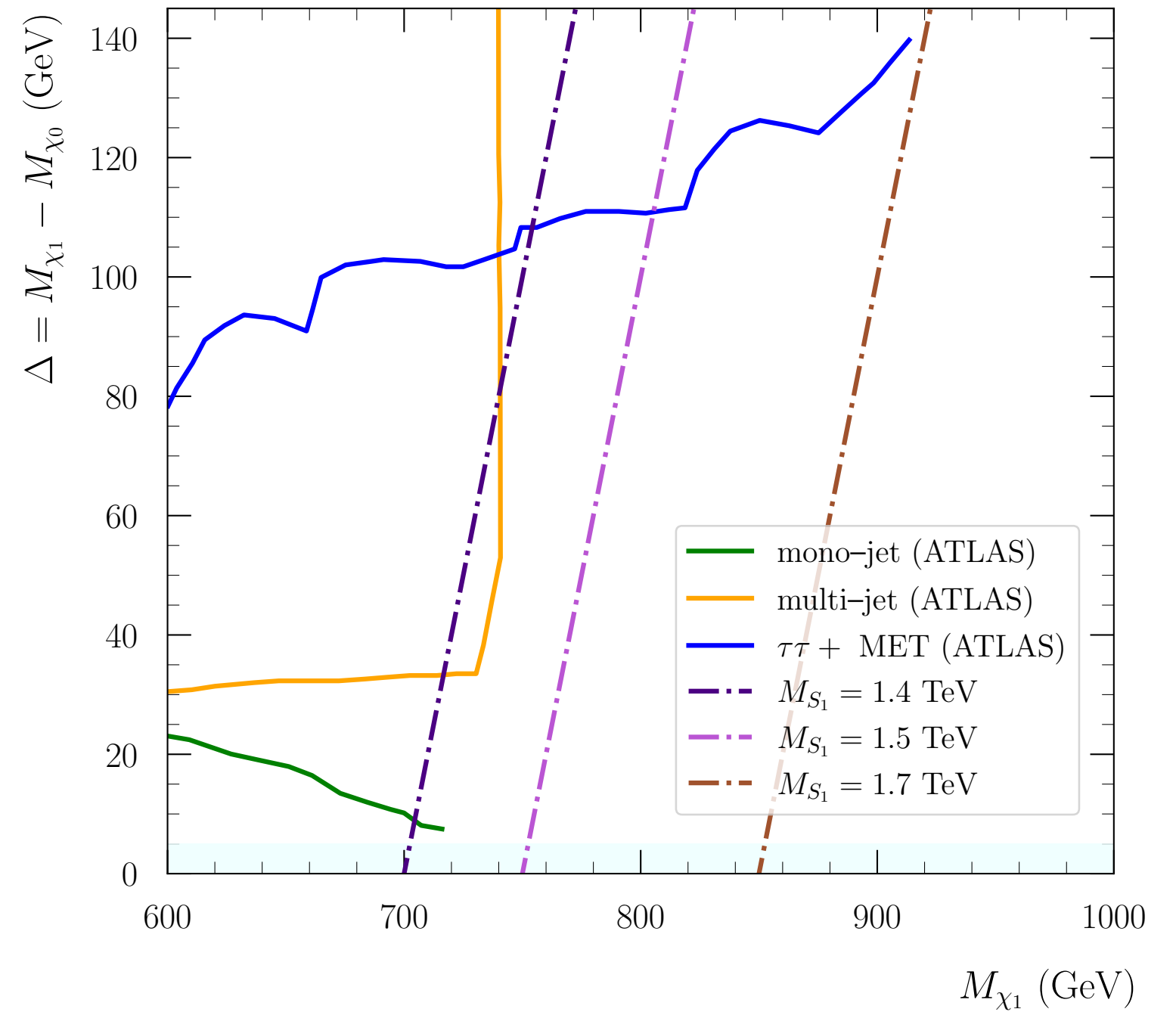
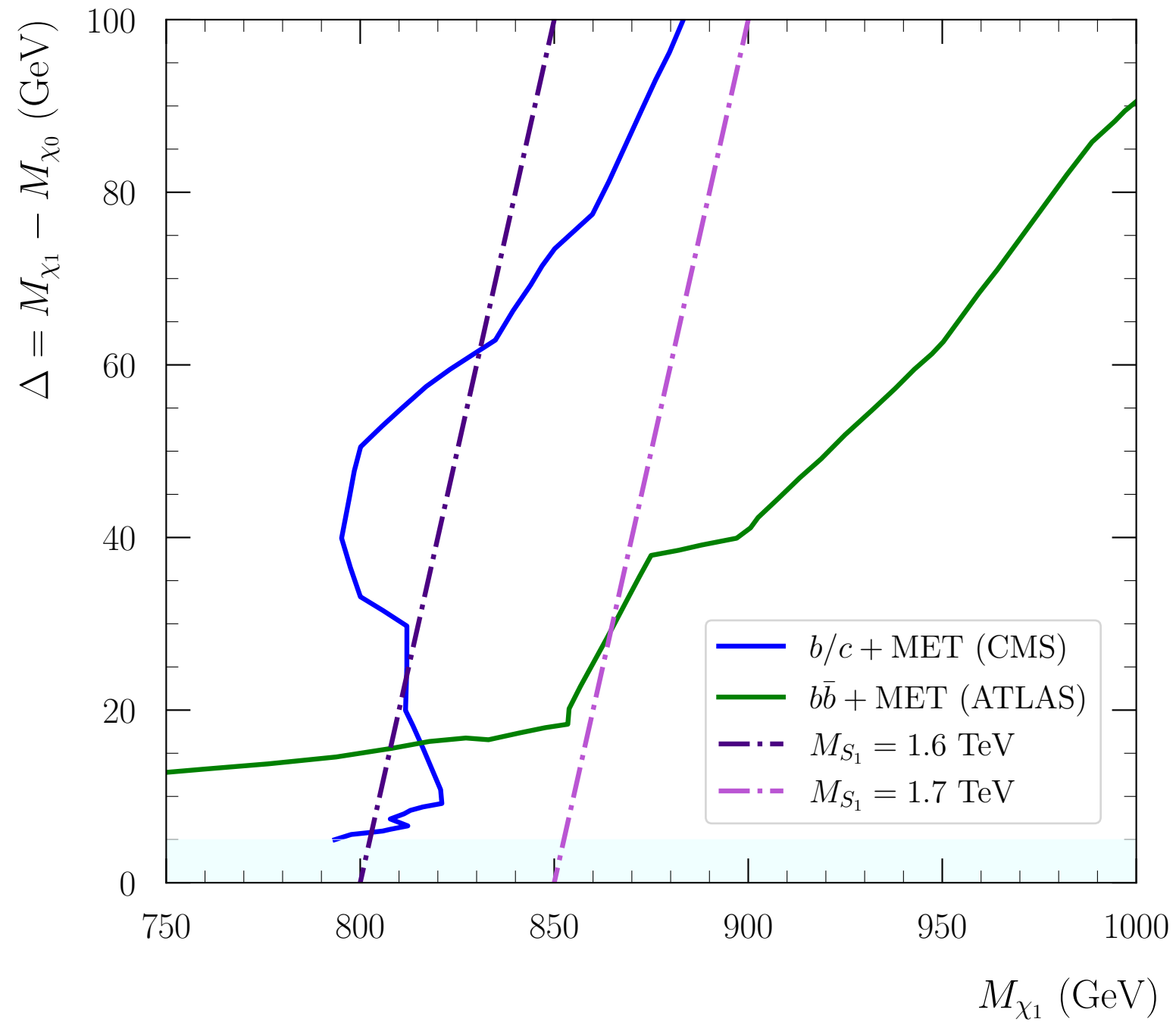
- $\chi_1 \rightarrow b\nu\chi_0$ (BS1)
- $\chi_1 \rightarrow c\tau\chi_0$ (BS2)



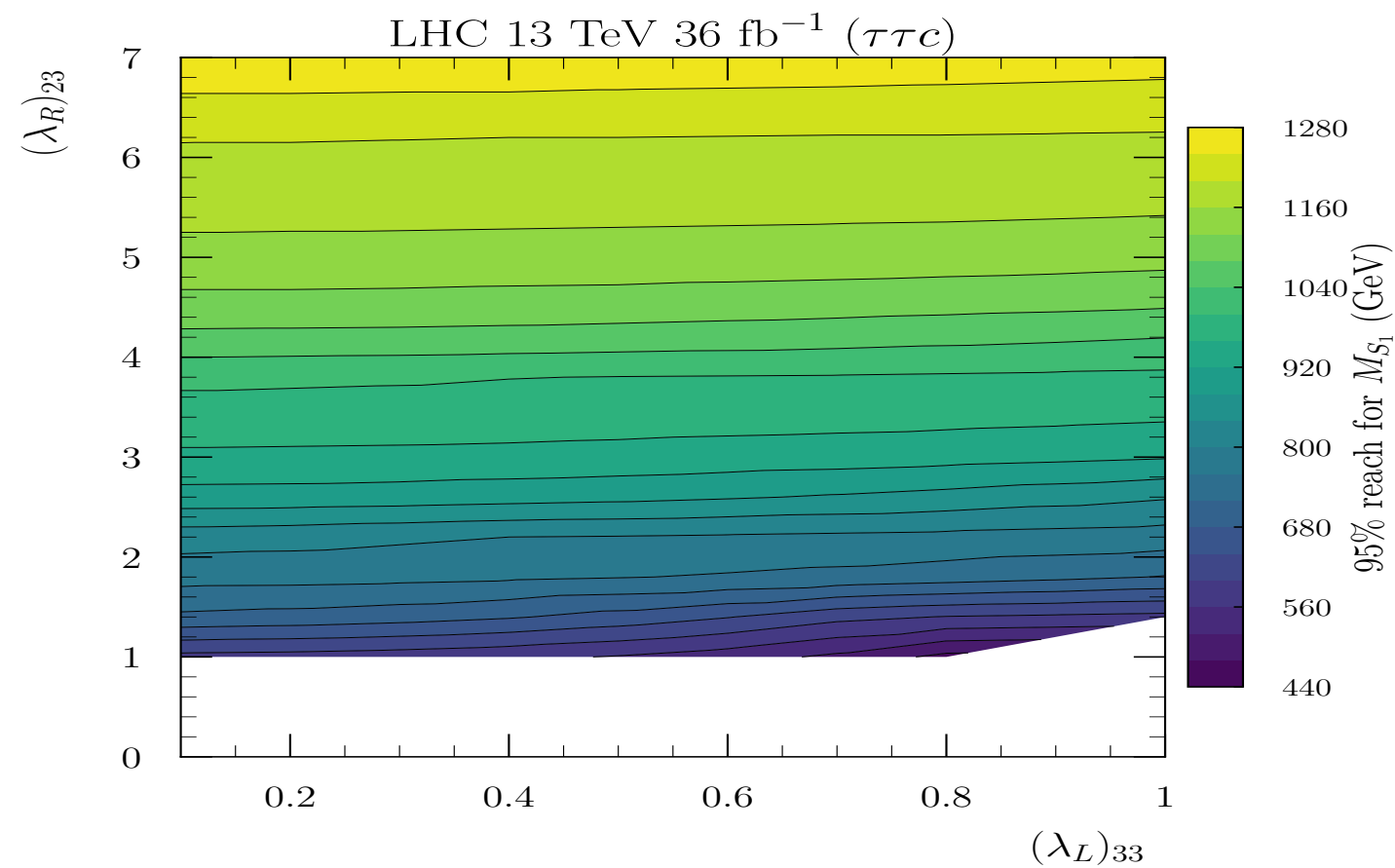
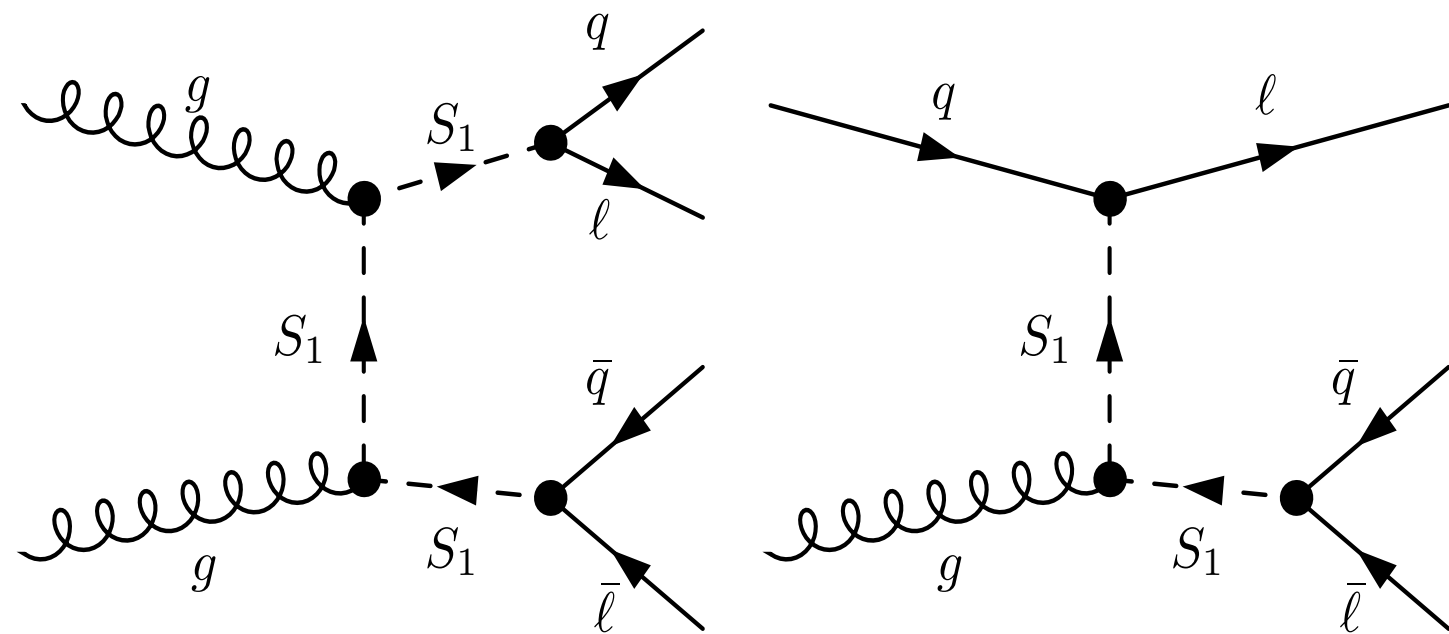
χ_1 is long-lived particle and decays exclusively into

- $\chi_1 \rightarrow c\tau\chi_0$

LHC constraints: MET searches



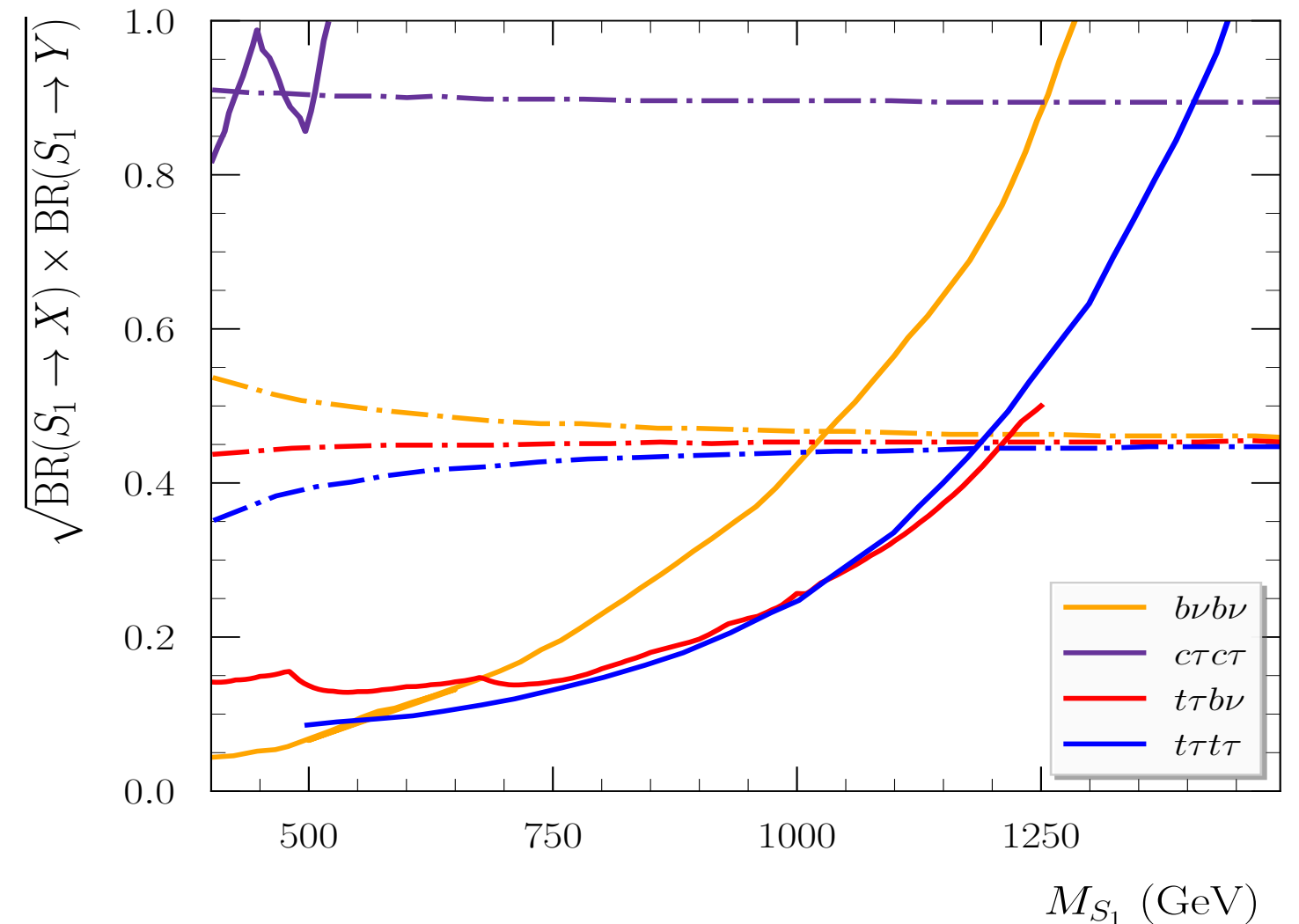
LHC constraints: Leptoquark searches



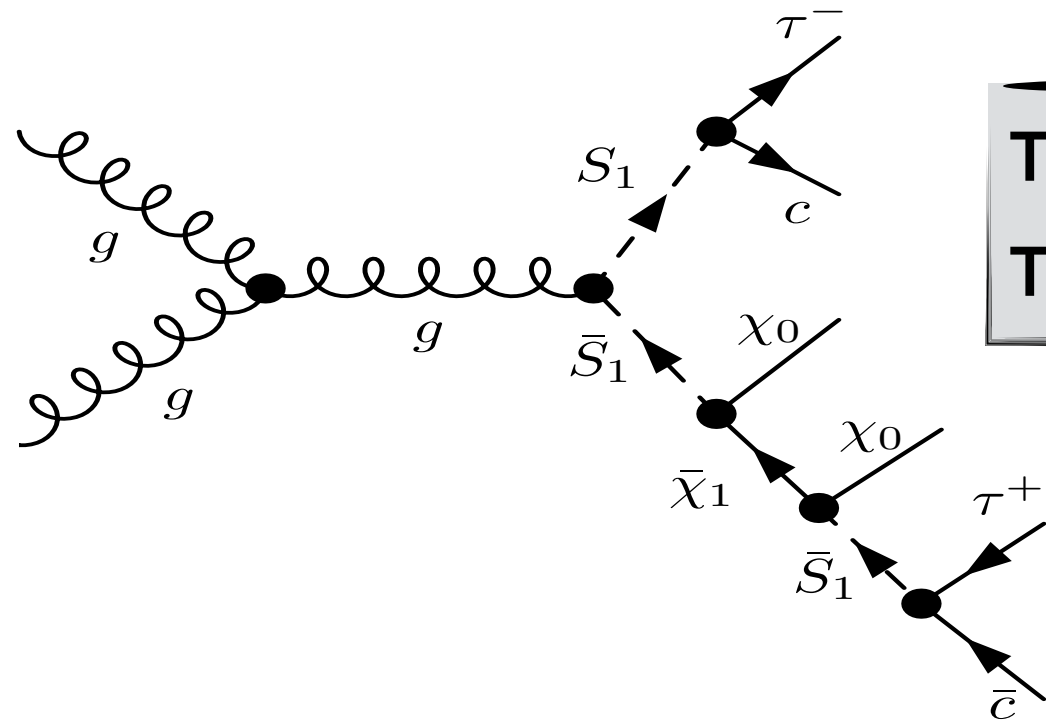
Blue: BS1

| Decays | $t\tau$ | $b\nu$ | $c\tau$ |
|---------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| $t\tau$ | ATLAS-CONF-2020-029 [20] | ATLAS-CONF-2021-008 [22] | |
| $b\nu$ | – | 2101.12527 [46] | |
| $c\tau$ | – | – | Rescaling of 1803.08103 [58] |

Yellow: BS2



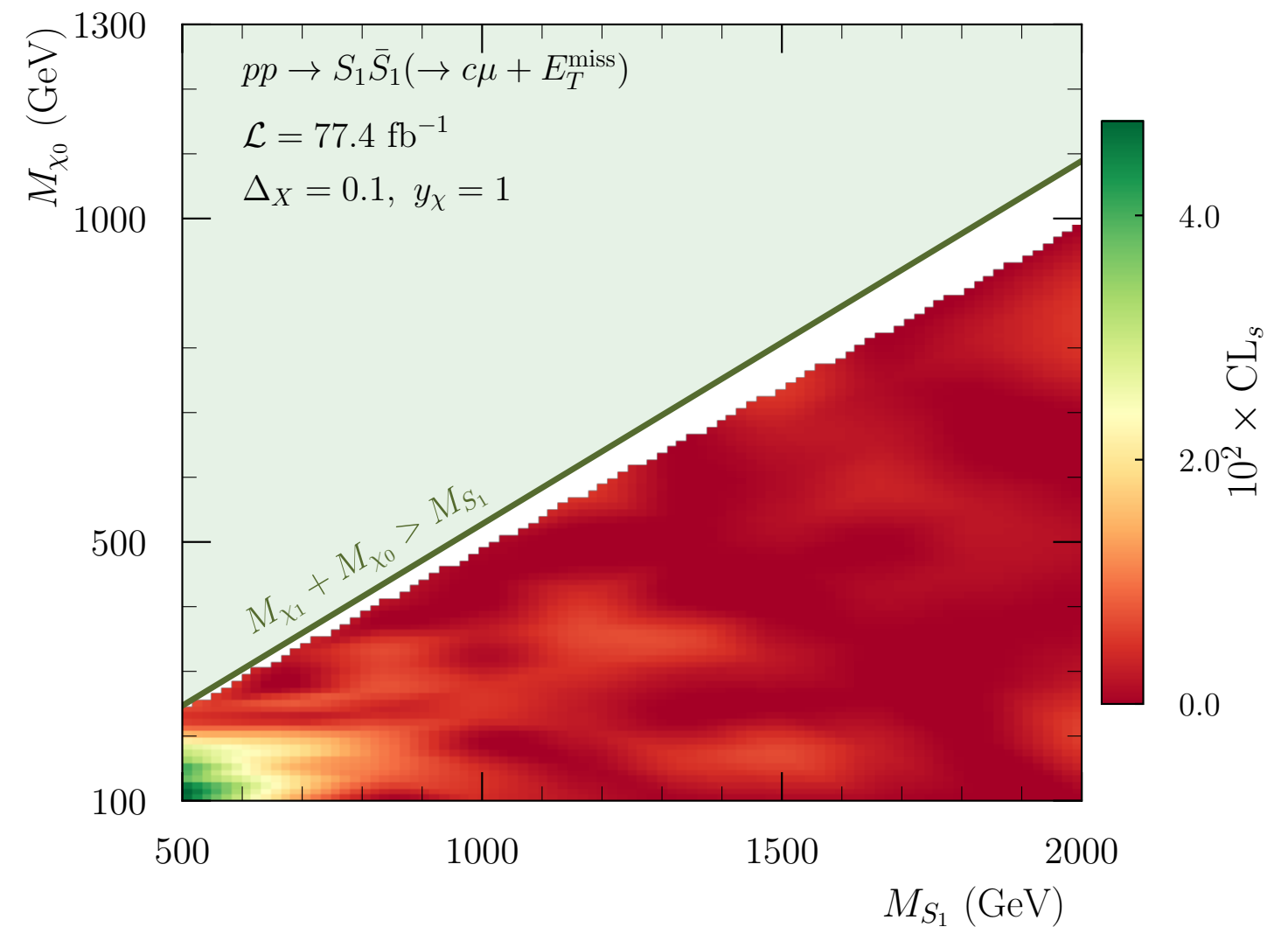
LHC constraints: Resonant Leptoquark plus MET searches



There is only one search which targets $c\mu + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ (BS2)

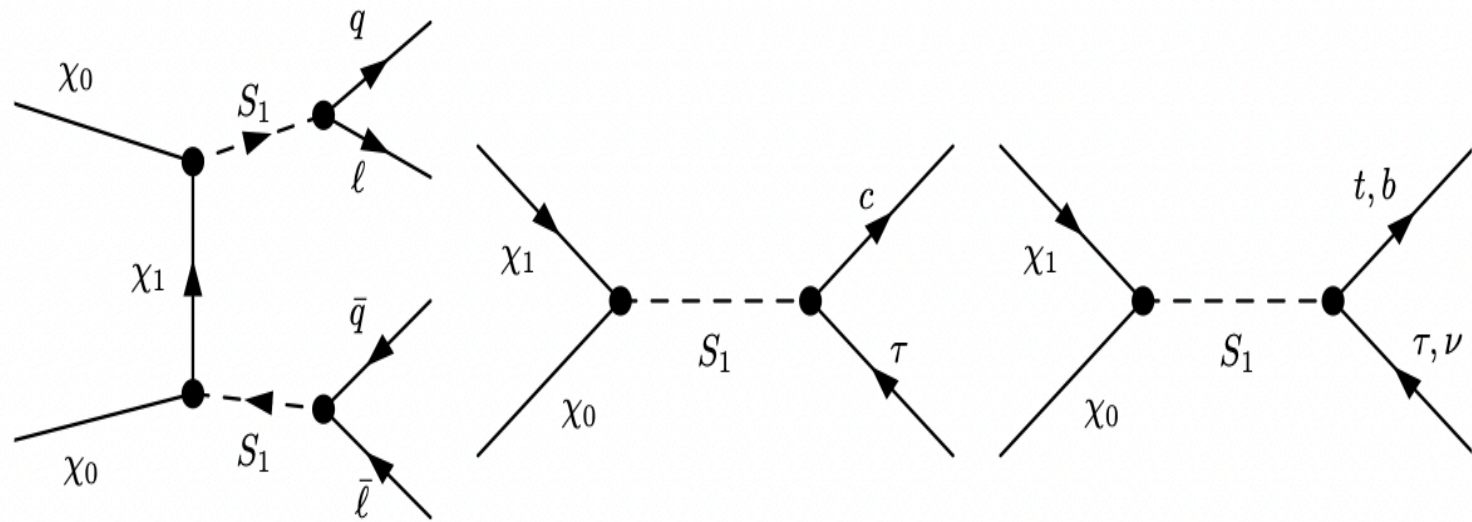
The implementation of this analysis exists in MA5 (B. Fuks, AJ, 2021)

- BS2 scenario is sensitive to the bounds reported on by the CMS search.
- All the muons in this case are coming from leptonically decaying tau leptons.
- Low sensitivity because of the small branching ratios \implies the resulting muons are soft.

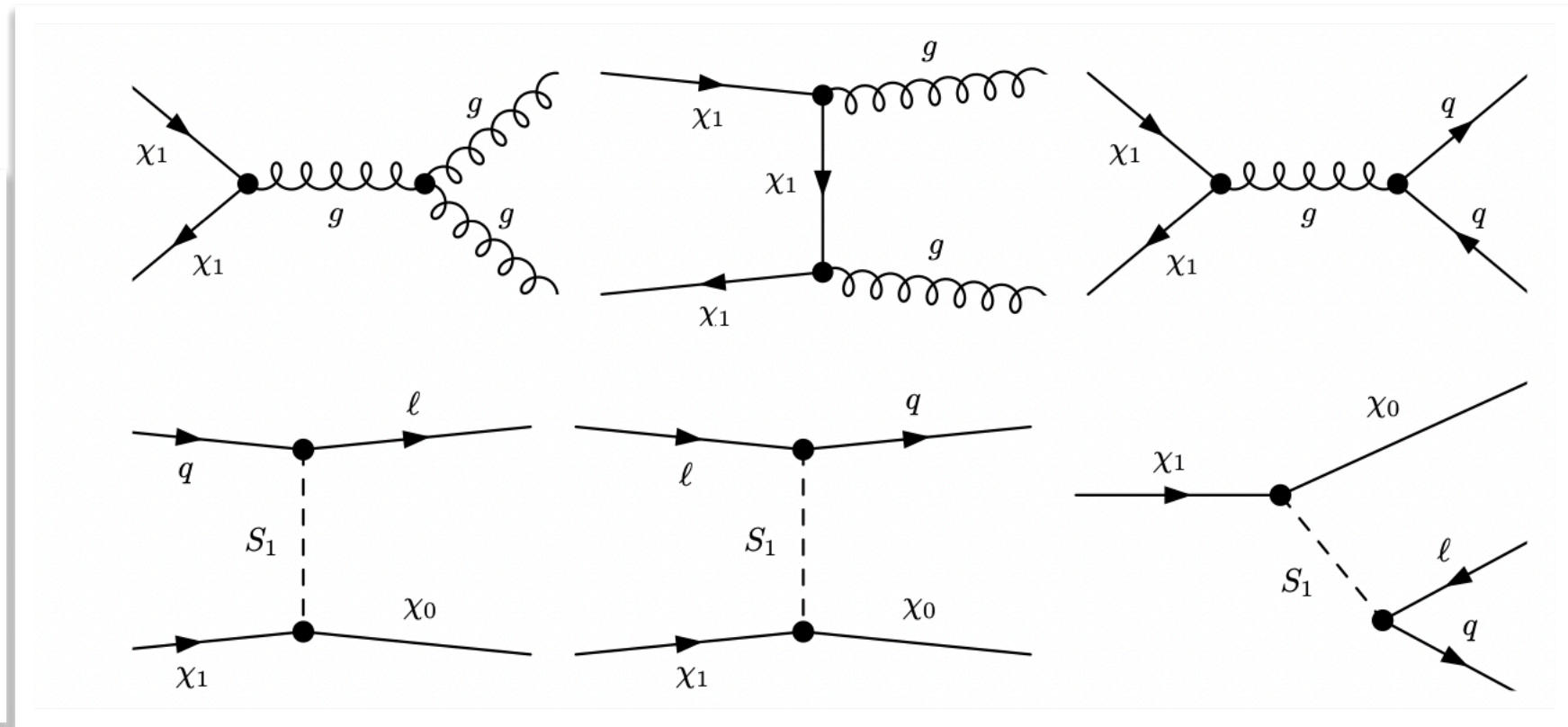


Dark matter relic density

- The relic density of χ_0 can be produced in three different scenarios:
 - Conversion-driven freeze-out (CDFO):** interaction in the dark sector (requires very small mass-splitting and small couplings).
 - Freeze-out with co-annihilation:** Small mass splitting between χ_0 and χ_1 .
 - Freeze-out with annihilation:** No requirements (lead to four body final states...)

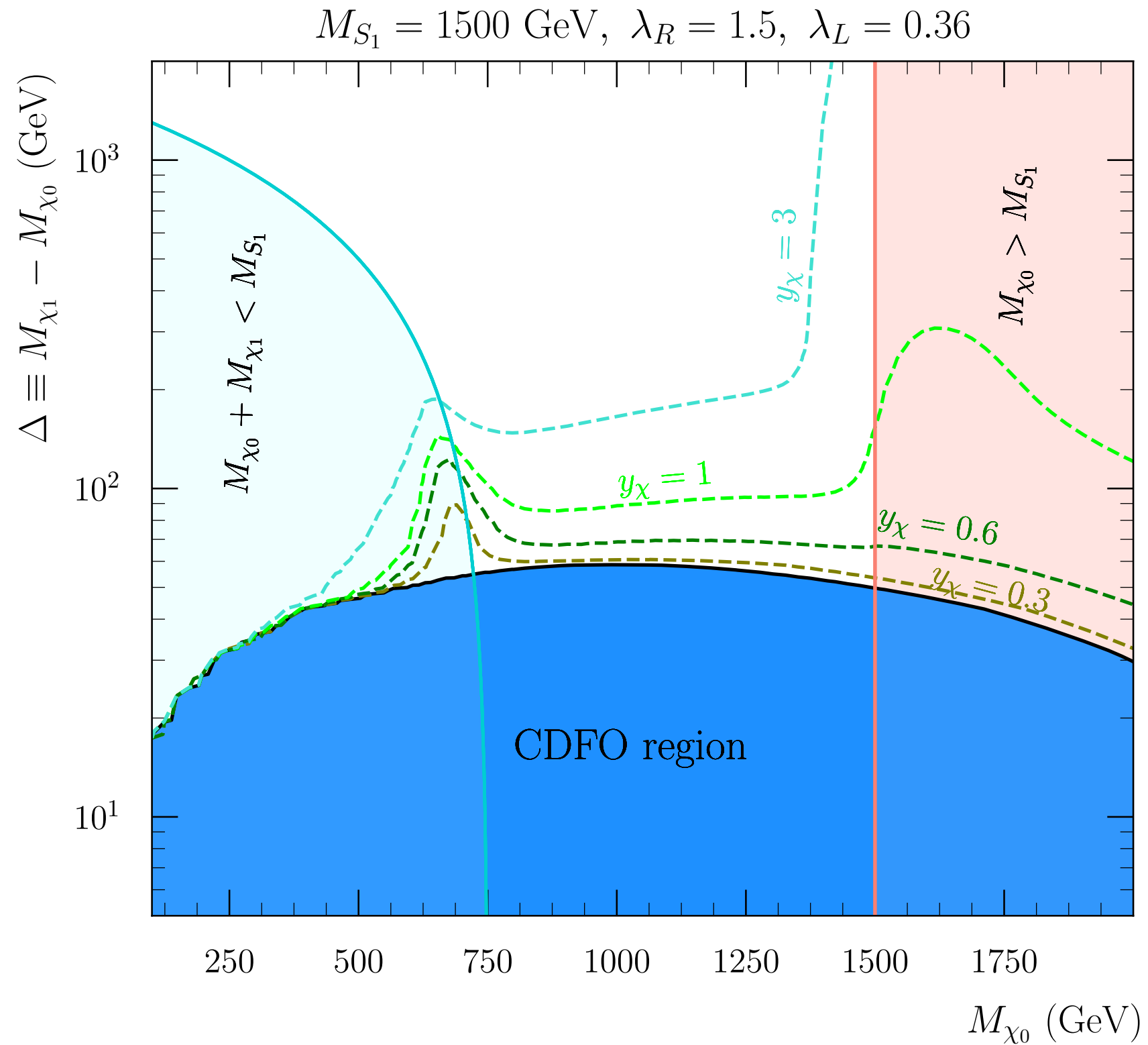


Freeze out

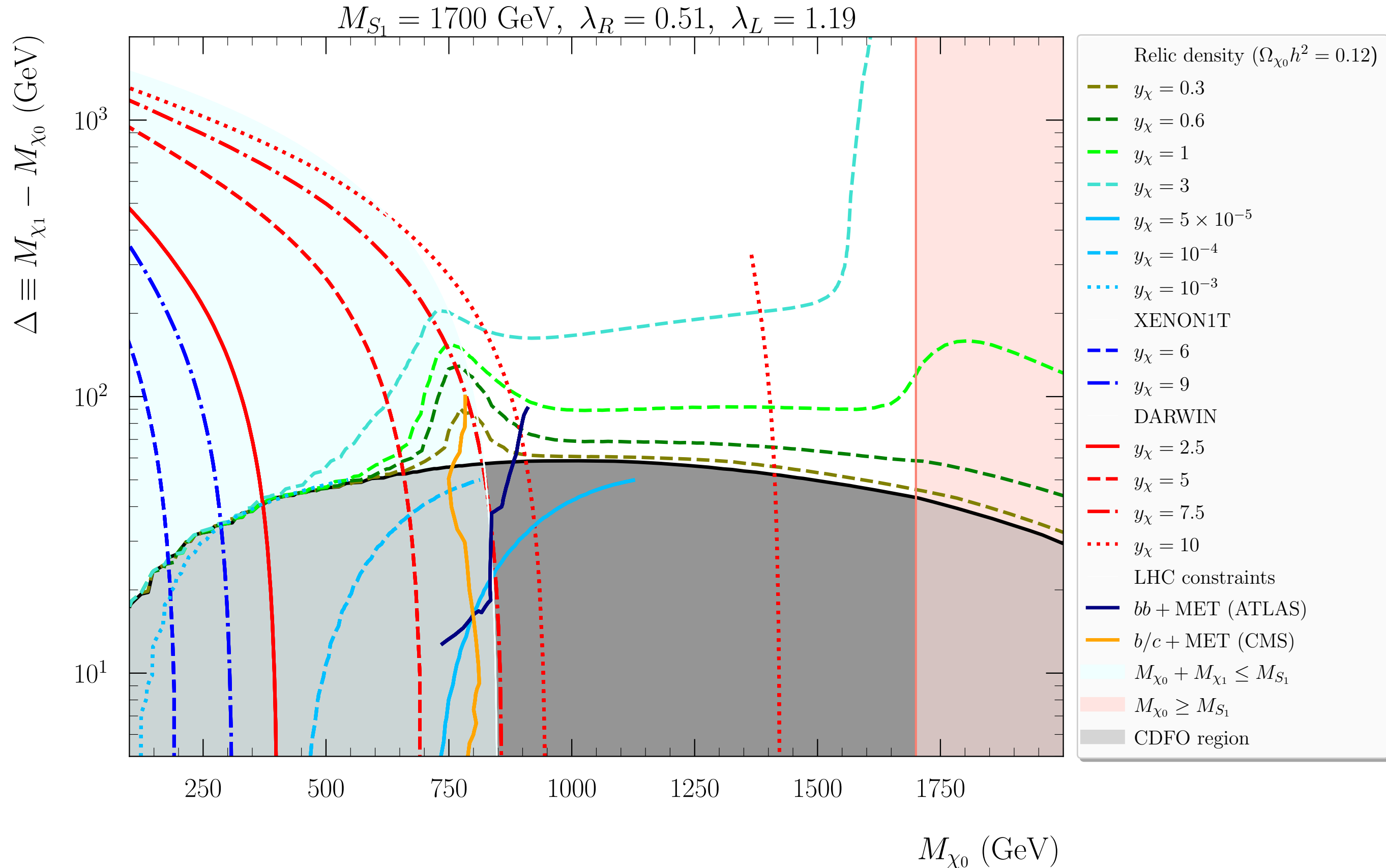


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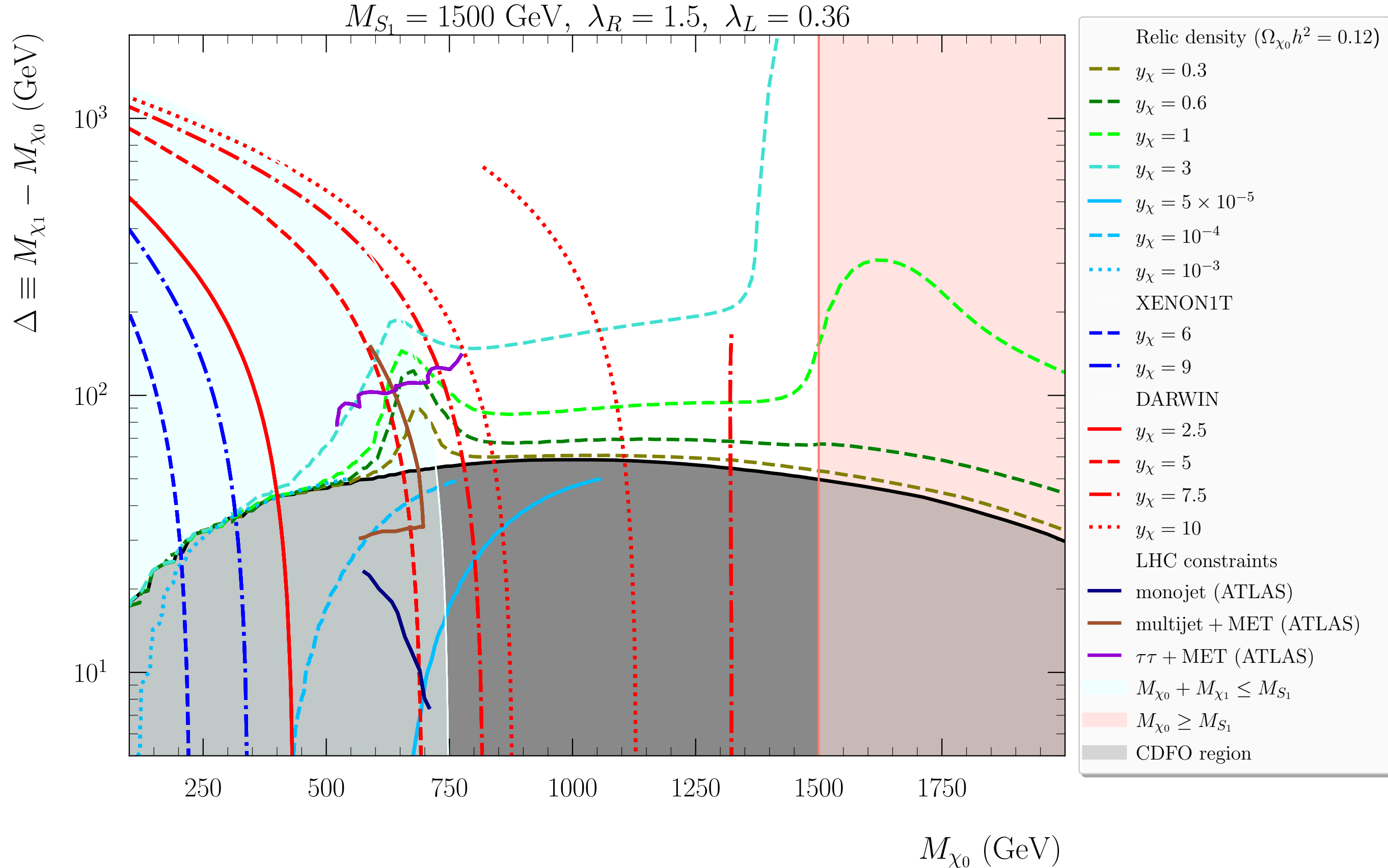
Dark matter relic density



The money plot (BS1)



The money plot (BS2)



Benchmark scenarios for future searches

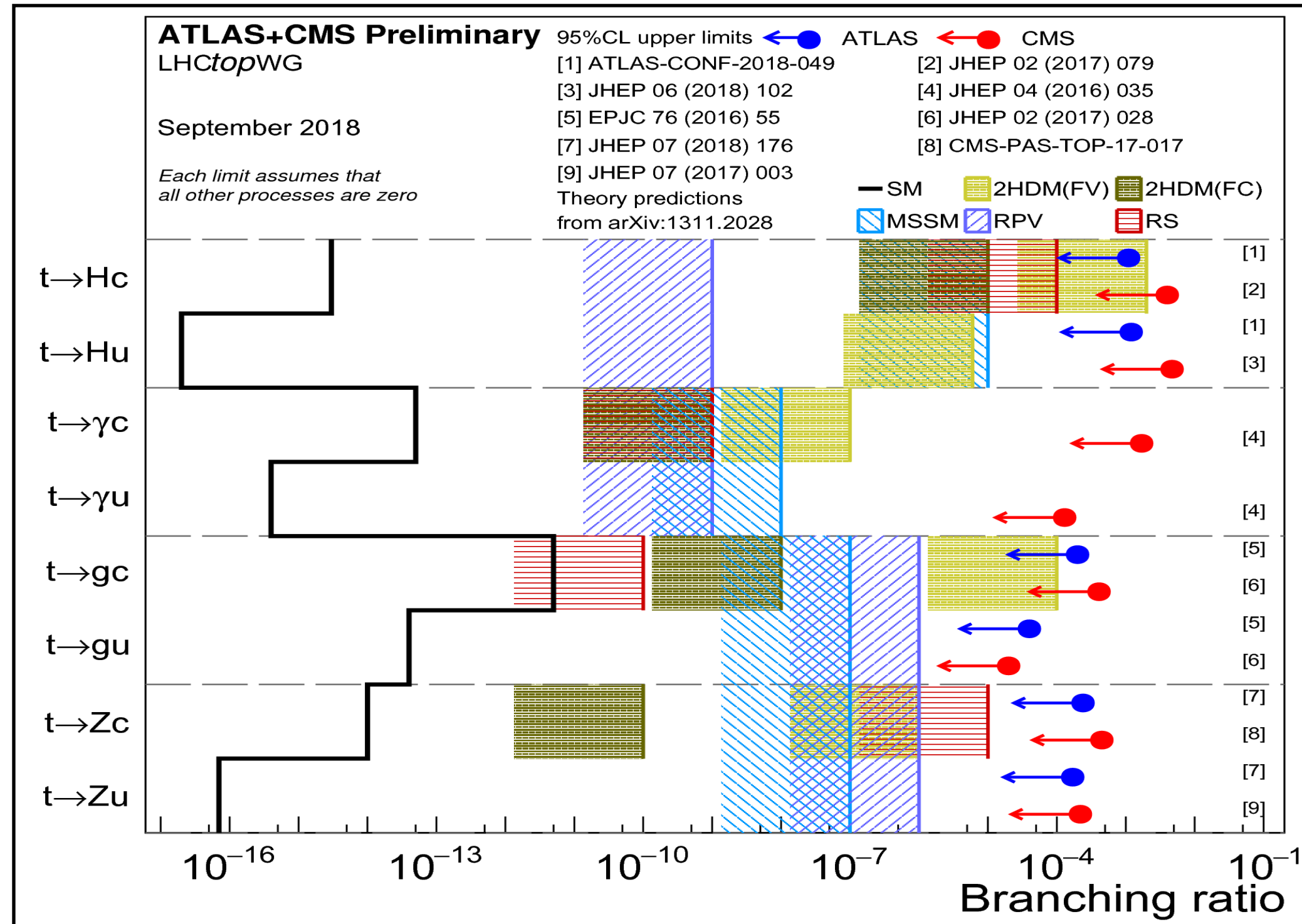
| Benchmark scenario | Quantity | BS1d | BS1e | BS2d | BS2e |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Parameters | M_{S_1} (GeV) | 1700 | 1700 | 1500 | 1500 |
| | M_{χ_1} (GeV) | 850 | 1030 | 800 | 800 |
| | Δ (GeV) | 10 | 80 | 200 | 100 |
| | λ_L | 1.19 | 1.19 | 0.36 | 0.36 |
| | λ_R | 0.51 | 0.51 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| | y_x | 10^{-4} | 1.0 | 3.0 | 0.5 |
| Production cross sections | | | | | |
| $\sigma(pp \rightarrow \chi_1 X)$ [fb] | $\chi_1 \chi_1$ (LHC) | 88.01 | 24.94 | 128.79 | 128.79 |
| | $\chi_1 \chi_1$ (FCC) | 31.54×10^3 | 13.13×10^3 | 41.42×10^3 | 41.42×10^3 |
| $\sigma(pp \rightarrow S_1 X)$ [fb] | $S_1 \tau$ (LHC) | 0.14 | 0.14 | 2.58 | 2.58 |
| | $S_1 \nu_\ell$ (LHC) | 7.1×10^{-2} | 7.1×10^{-2} | 1.71×10^{-2} | 1.71×10^{-2} |
| | $S_1 S_1$ (LHC) | 4.03×10^{-2} | 4.03×10^{-2} | 0.46 | 0.46 |
| | $S_1 \tau$ (FCC) | 29.69 | 29.69 | 429.77 | 429.77 |
| | $S_1 \nu_\ell$ (FCC) | 108.68 | 108.68 | 17.38 | 17.38 |
| | $S_1 S_1$ (FCC) | 197.12 | 197.12 | 448.71 | 448.71 |

Conclusions

- In this talk, I discussed two interesting scenarios for BSM physics:
 - Solution to DM and flavor anomalies
 - DM as trigger of larger top quark FCNC decays
- The two models are minimal extensions of the SM with $SU(2)_L$ singlets.
- Decent rates for top quark FCNC decays are predicted while not being in conflict with current LHC data and more work is needed to probe the connection between the two sectors.
- We have found some holes in the ATLAS/CMS searches of leptoquark pairs at the LHC notably the mixed ones: $c\tau t\tau$ and $c\tau b\nu$ and that more work is needed in the resonant LQ plus MET searches.

3. Back-up slides

Searches for top quark FCNC decays at the LHC



The decays of the mediator of top FCNCs

The mediator decays solely into a quark and DM (dominates over the 3-body decays)

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma(S \rightarrow q\chi) &\equiv \frac{Y_q^2 M_S}{16\pi} \left(1 - \frac{M_\chi^2 + m_q^2}{M_S^2}\right) \sqrt{\lambda\left(1, \frac{M_\chi^2}{M_S^2}, \frac{m_q^2}{M_S^2}\right)} \\ &\approx \frac{Y_q^2 M_S}{16\pi} \left(1 - \frac{M_\chi^2}{M_S^2}\right)^2, \quad m_q \ll M_S\end{aligned}$$

Some comments:

- For $\Delta \equiv M_S - M_\chi < m_t$, the mediator decays solely to light quarks with equal branching ratios if $Y_u = Y_c$.
- For $\Delta > m_t$ the decay into top quarks opens up with branching ratio going from a few % to 1/3 or even more depending on the couplings (Y_u, Y_c, Y_t) and the mediator mass.

Top quark FCNC decays

For $t \rightarrow qH$, we have

$$f_{tqH}^L = \frac{Y_q Y_t m_t}{16\pi^2} \left(3\lambda_3 v C_1 + \frac{m_q^2}{v(m_t^2 - m_q^2)} (B_{1,t} - B_{1,q}) \right)$$

$$f_{tqH}^R = \frac{Y_q Y_t m_q}{16\pi^2} \left(3\lambda_3 v C_2 + \frac{m_t^2}{v(m_t^2 - m_q^2)} (B_{1,t} - B_{1,q}) \right)$$

For $Y_q = Y_t$, $f_{tqH}^L \gg f_{tqH}^R$

For $t \rightarrow qZ$, we have

$$f_{tqZ}^L = \frac{g_1 m_q m_t (3c_W^2 - s_W^2)}{96s_W \pi^2} \frac{Y_q Y_t}{(m_t^2 - m_q^2)} (B_{1,t} - B_{1,q}),$$

$$f_{tqZ}^R = -\frac{g_1 s_W Y_q Y_t}{24\pi^2} \left(2C_{00} + \frac{1}{m_t^2 - m_q^2} (m_t^2 B_{1,t} - m_q^2 B_{1,q}) \right)$$

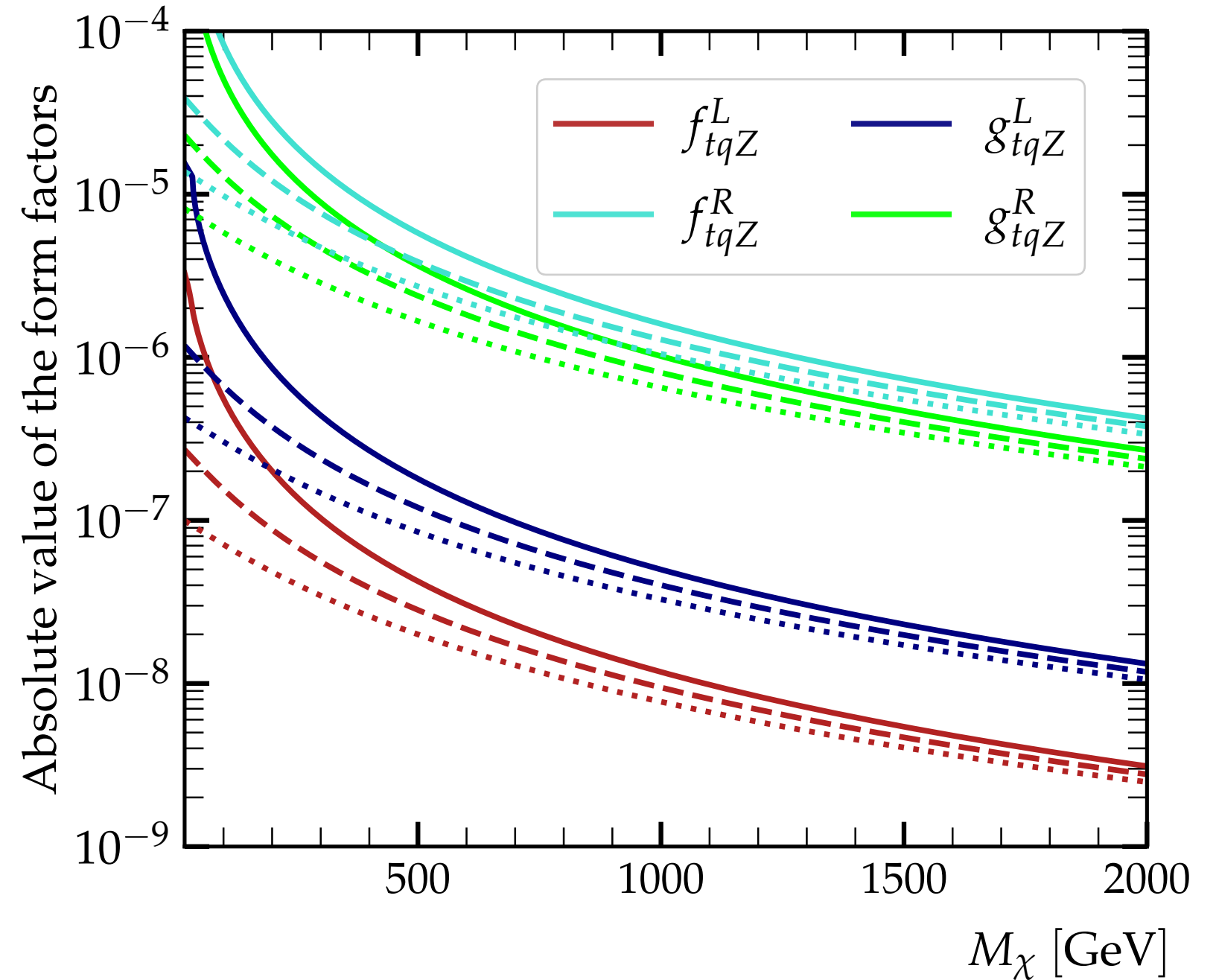
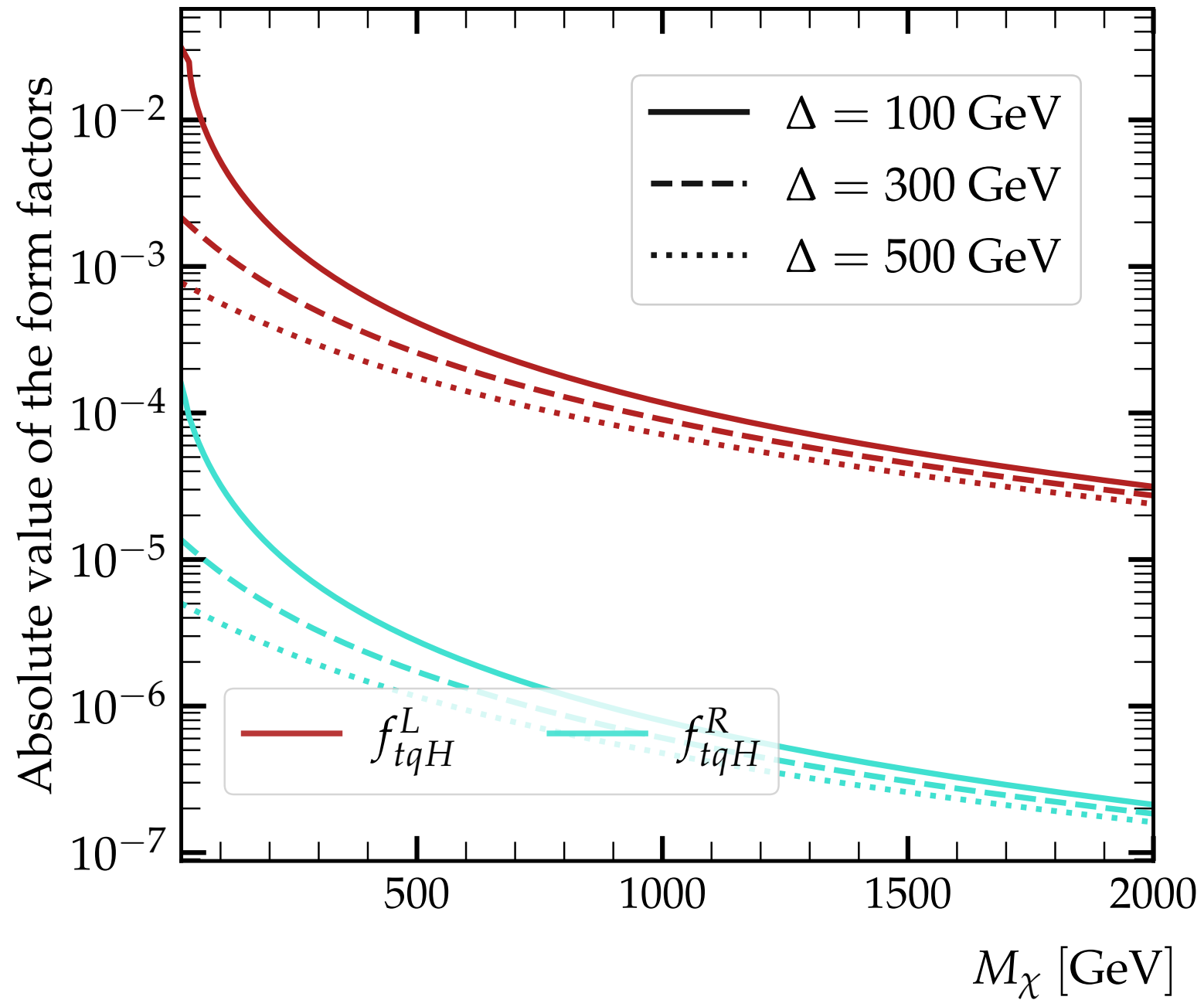
$$g_{tqZ}^L = \frac{g_1 s_W Y_q Y_t m_t}{12\pi^2} (C_1 + C_{11} + C_{12}),$$

$$g_{tqZ}^R = \frac{g_1 s_W Y_q Y_t m_q}{12\pi^2} (C_2 + C_{12} + C_{22}),$$

$f_{tqZ}^R \simeq g_{tqZ}^L \gg g_{tqZ}^R > f_{tqZ}^L$

$C_{i,ij}, B_i$ are Passarino-Veltman functions

Top quark FCNC decays



$$q = c; Y_c = Y_t = 1$$

Collider bounds: monojet

The most important bound from the LHC comes from the search of new physics in events with at least one jet plus missing energy

We use the most recent search of DM in the mono-jet channel by the ATLAS collaboration (ATLAS-EXOT-2018-06).

139 1/fb of data collected between 2015 and 2018.

26 signal regions depending on E_T^{miss}

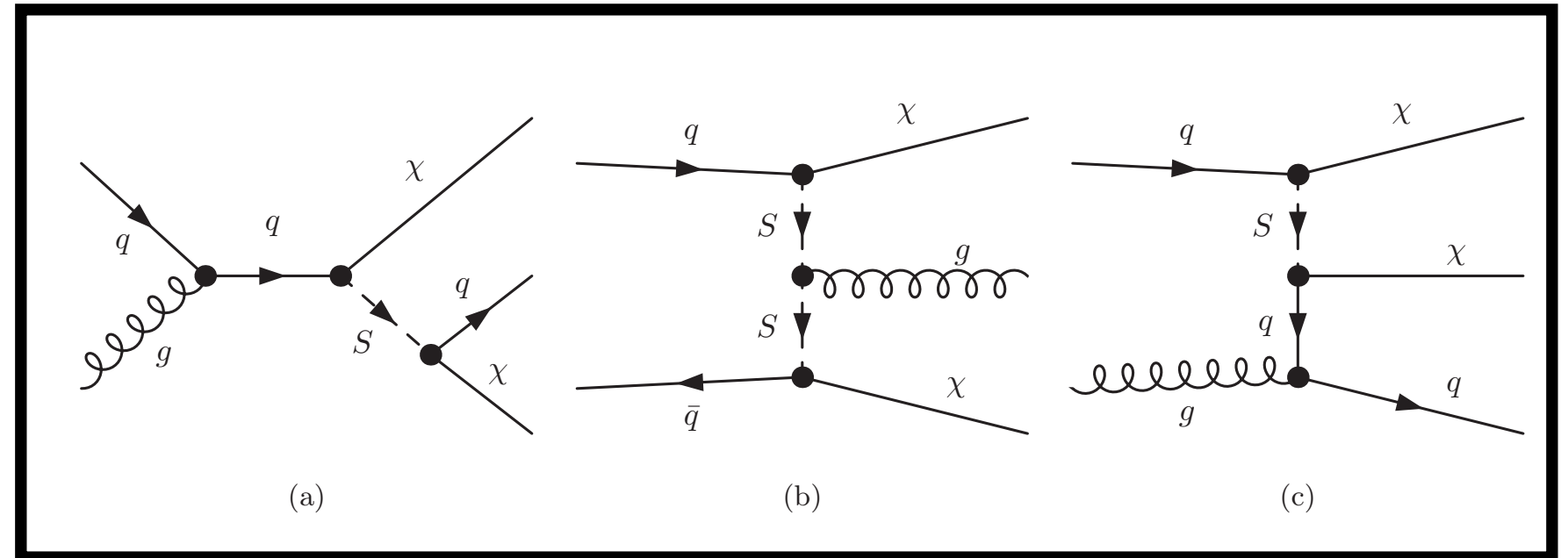
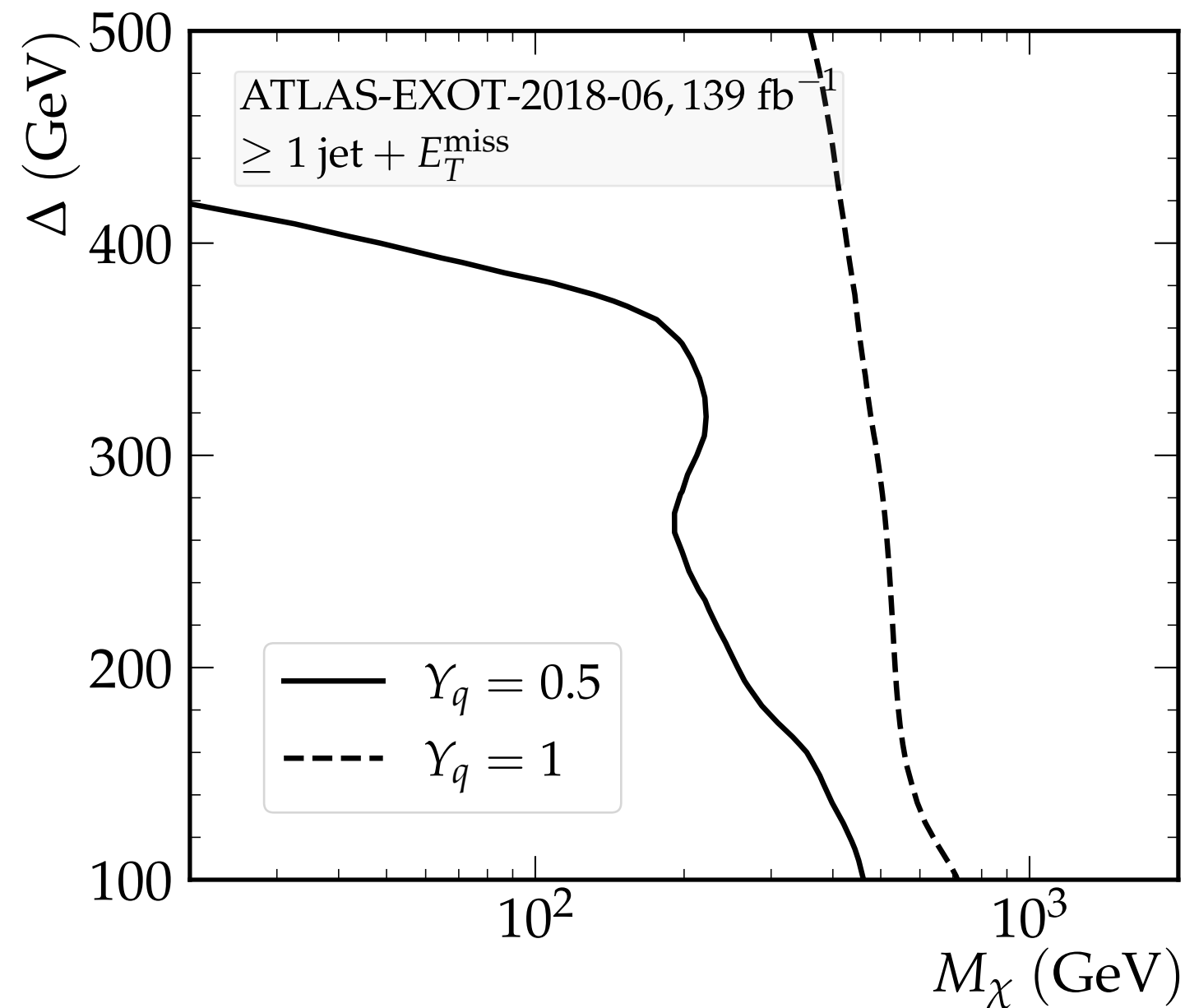


Table 1: Intervals and labels of the E_T^{miss} bins used for the signal region. Details are given in the text.

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|---------------------------|---------|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|
| Exclusive (EM) | EM0 | EM1 | EM2 | EM3 | EM4 | EM5 | EM6 |
| E_T^{miss} [GeV] | 200–250 | 250–300 | 300–350 | 350–400 | 400–500 | 500–600 | 600–700 |
| | EM7 | EM8 | EM9 | EM10 | EM11 | EM12 | |
| | 700–800 | 800–900 | 900–1000 | 1000–1100 | 1100–1200 | > 1200 | |
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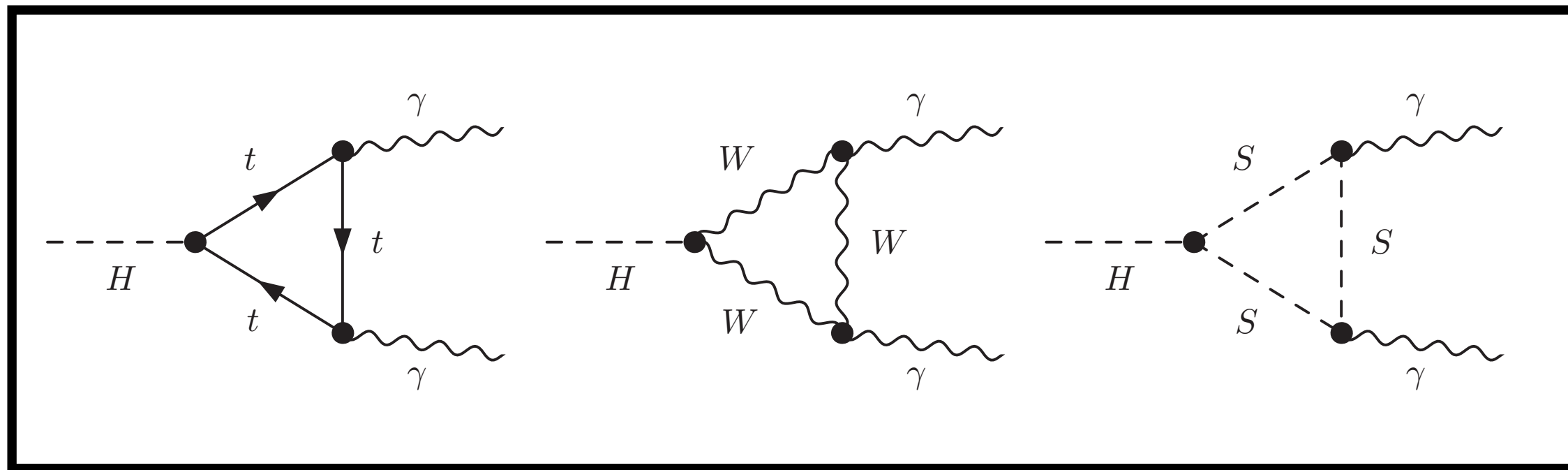
Bounds were obtained by using an implementation of the search in the MadAnalysis 5 framework



Impact on SM Higgs couplings

What about the impact on the SM Higgs Boson measurements (production and decay)?

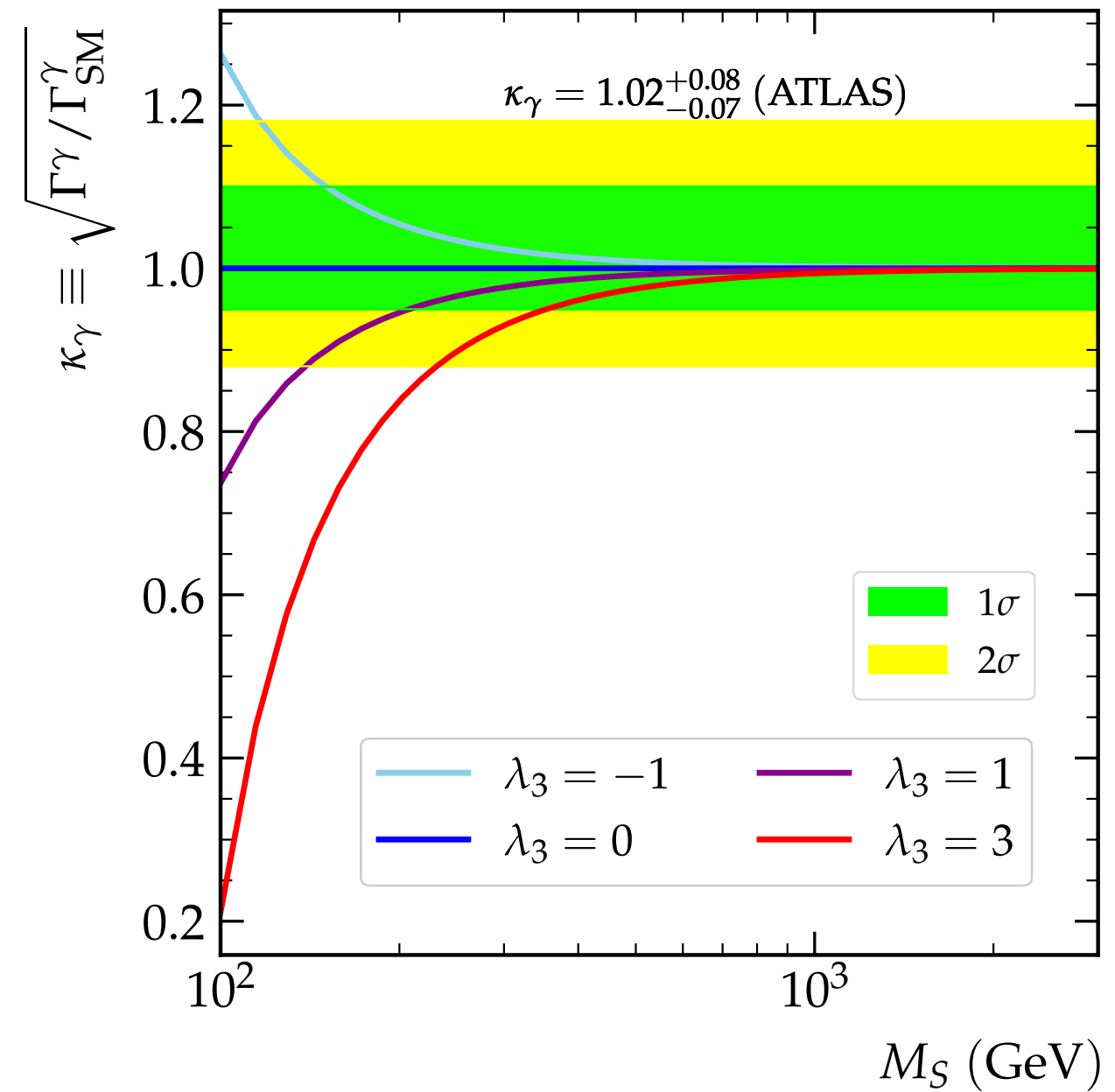
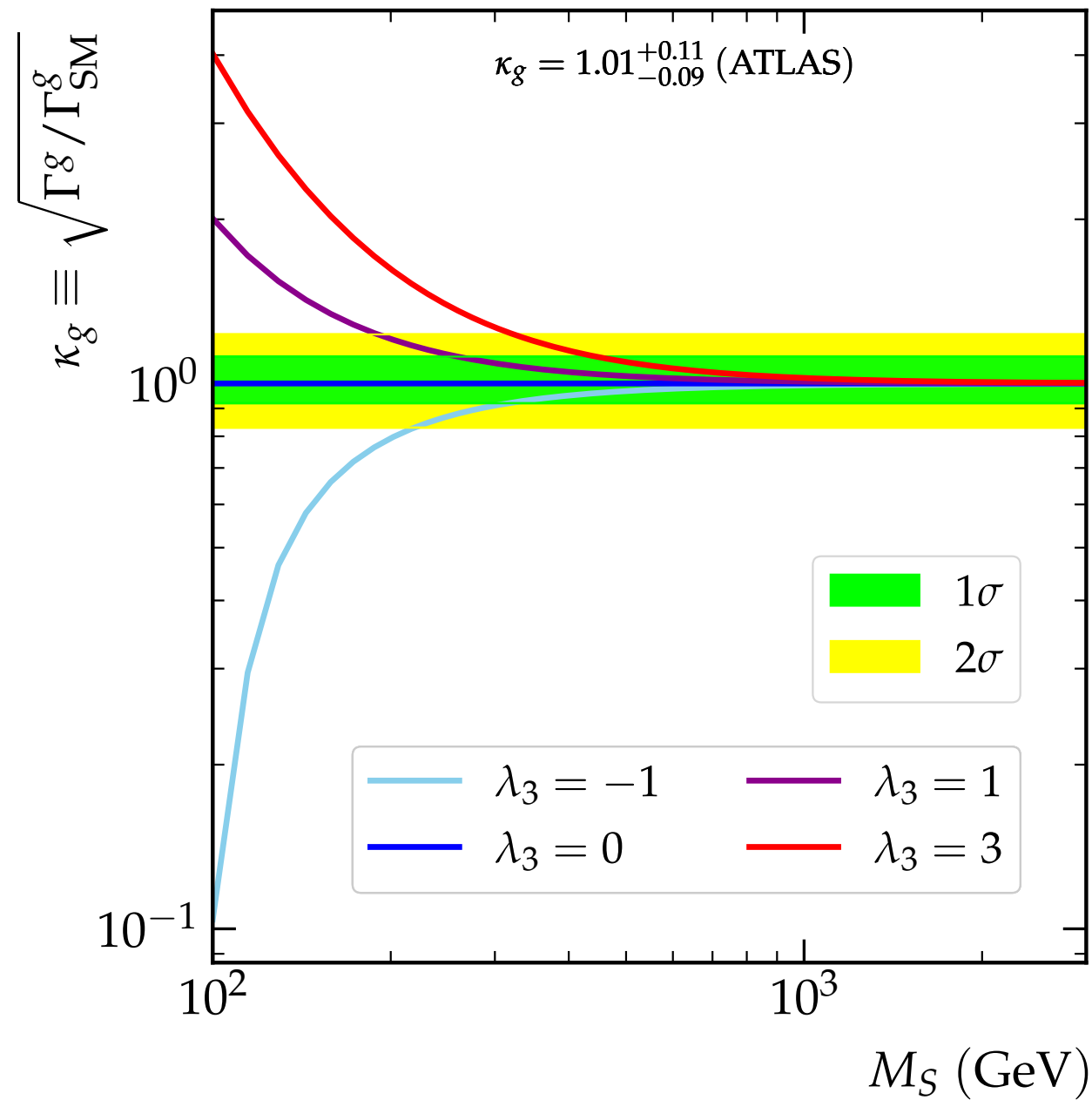
Consider for example the partial width of $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ $\kappa_X = \sqrt{\Gamma_X/\Gamma_X^{\text{SM}}}$ (good measure)



$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = \frac{G_F \alpha_{\text{EM}}^2 m_H^3}{128 \sqrt{2} \pi^3} \left| \sum_f Q_f^2 N_{cf} A_{1/2}(\tau_f) + A_1(\tau_W) + N_{cS} Q_S^2 \frac{\lambda_3 v^2}{2M_S^2} A_0(\tau_S) \right|^2$$

$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow gg) = \frac{G_F \alpha_s^2 m_H^3}{64 \sqrt{2} \pi^3} \left| \sum_f A_{1/2}(\tau_f) + \frac{\lambda_3 v^2}{2M_S^2} A_0(\tau_S) \right|^2$$

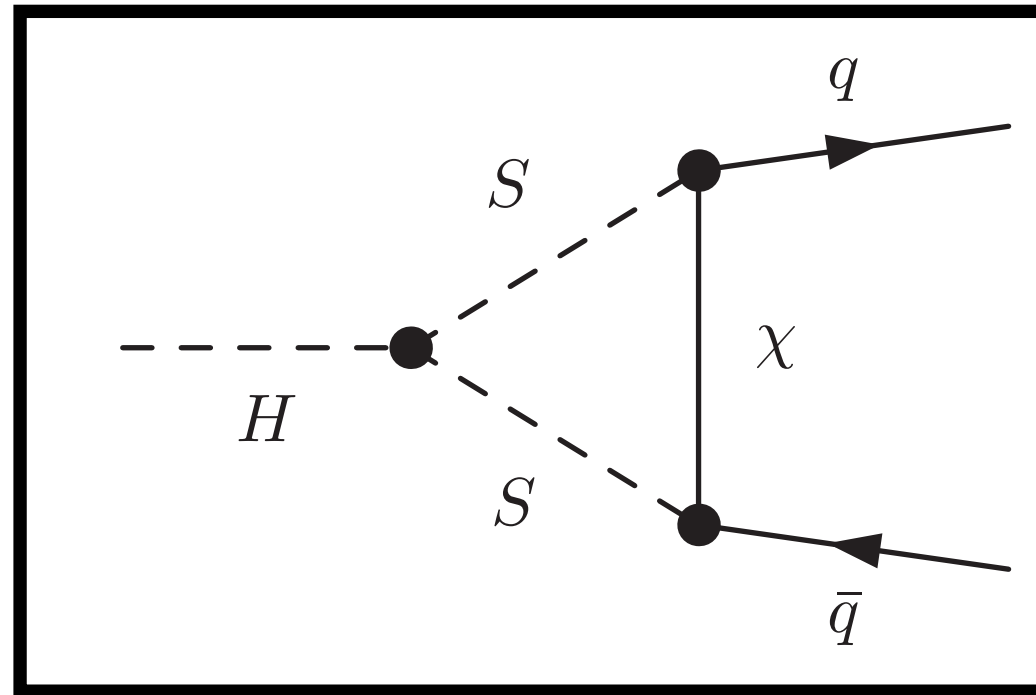
Impact on SM Higgs couplings



κ_γ and κ_g are anticorrelated in our model

Impact on SM Higgs couplings

What about the decays of the SM Higgs into quarks?



$$\propto Y_q^2 \lambda_3 m_q$$

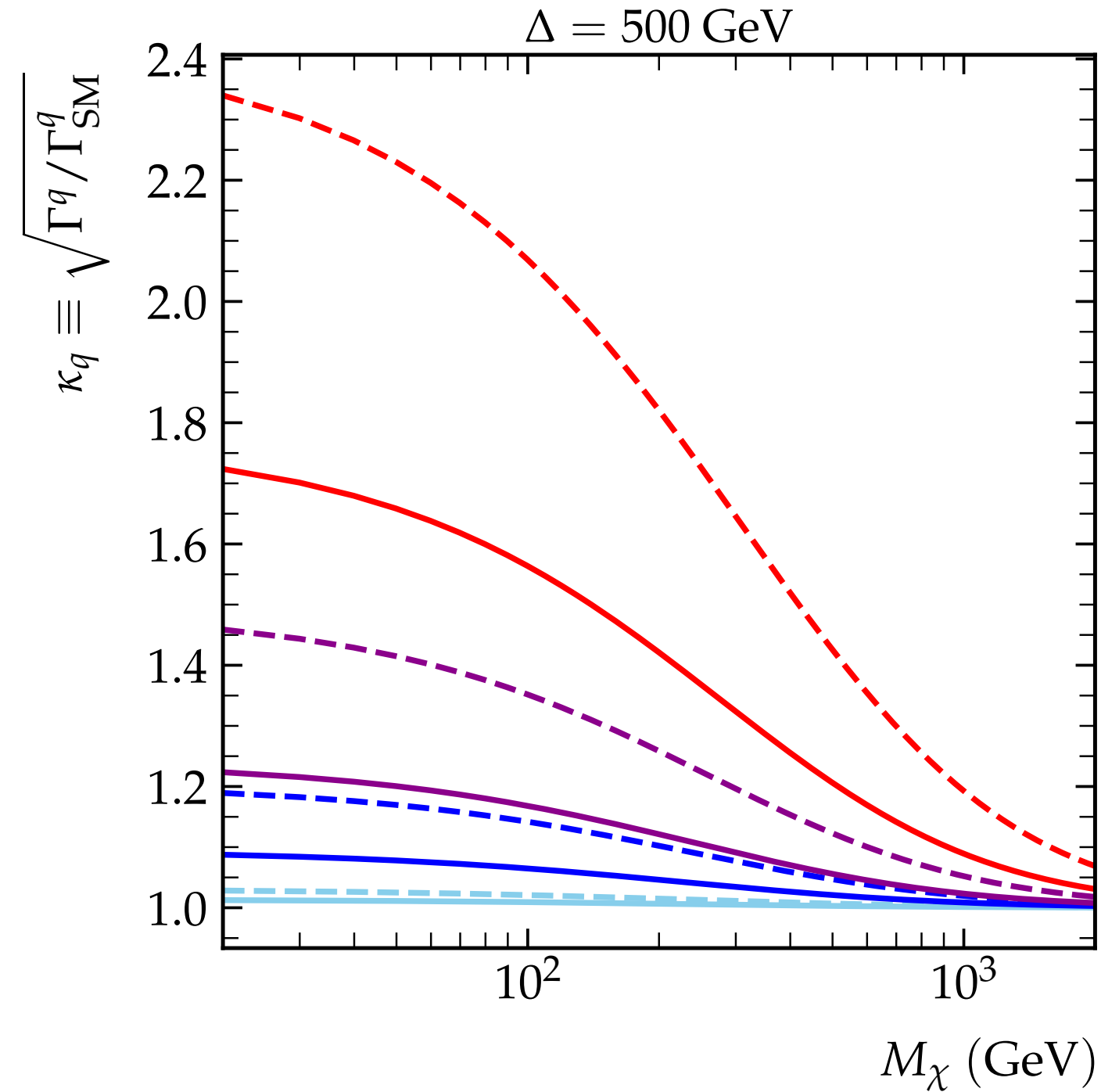
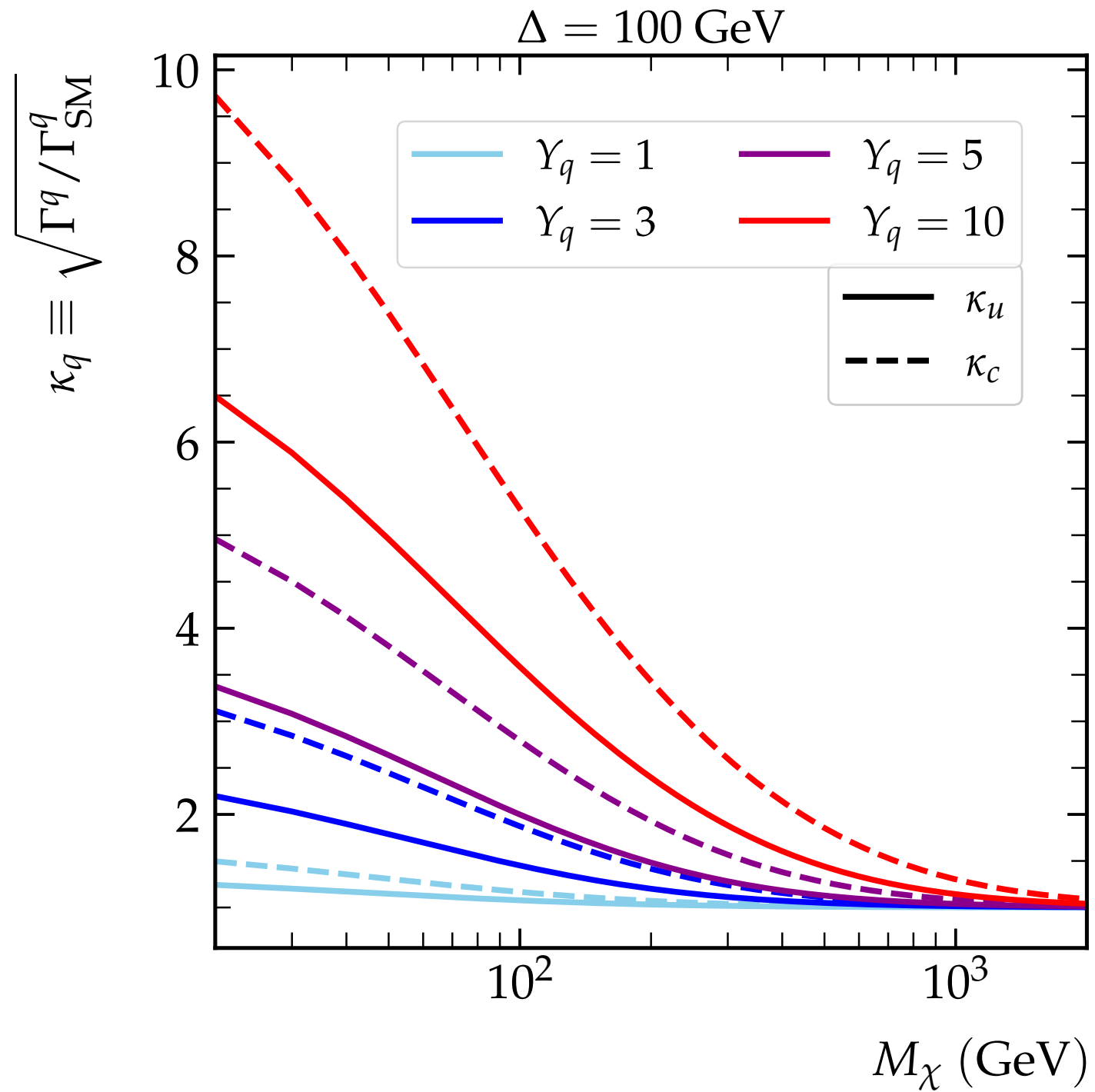
$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow q\bar{q}) = \Gamma(H \rightarrow q\bar{q})_{\text{N3LO}} + \Delta\Gamma(H \rightarrow q\bar{q})_{\text{NP}} \quad \Delta\Gamma(H \rightarrow q\bar{q})_{\text{NP}} = \frac{6m_H m_q}{16\pi v} \left[\text{Re}(f_L) + \text{Re}(f_R) \right]$$

$$f_L = \frac{3\lambda_3 m_q v Y_q^2}{16\pi^2} C_2(m_q^2, m_H^2, m_q^2, M_\chi^2, M_S^2, M_S^2)$$

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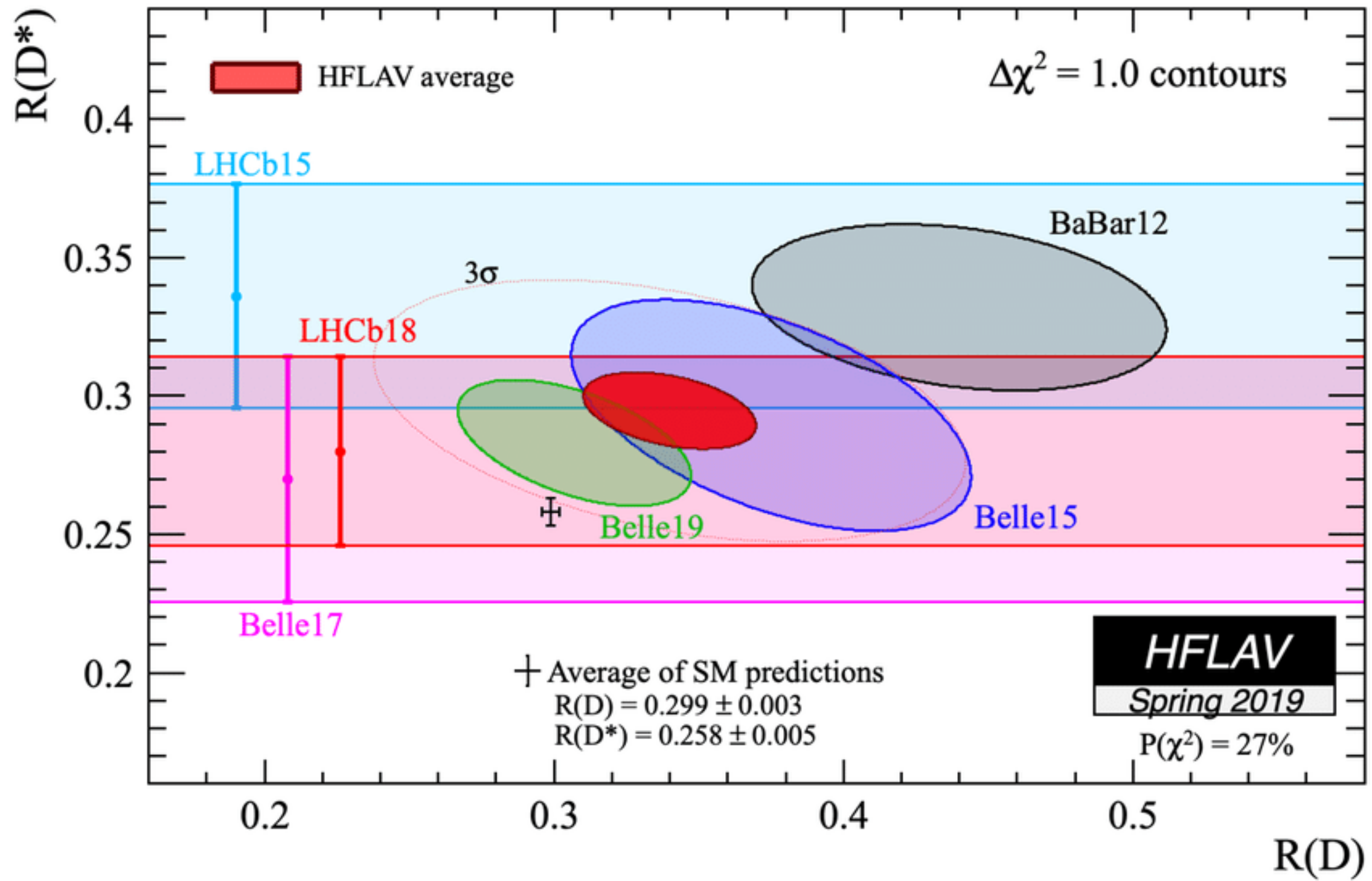
Corrections must be small!!

Impact on SM Higgs couplings



Corrections are small for moderate values of Y_q (percent level)

Evolution of the flavour anomalies



Solutions to the $R_{D^{(*)}}$ anomalies

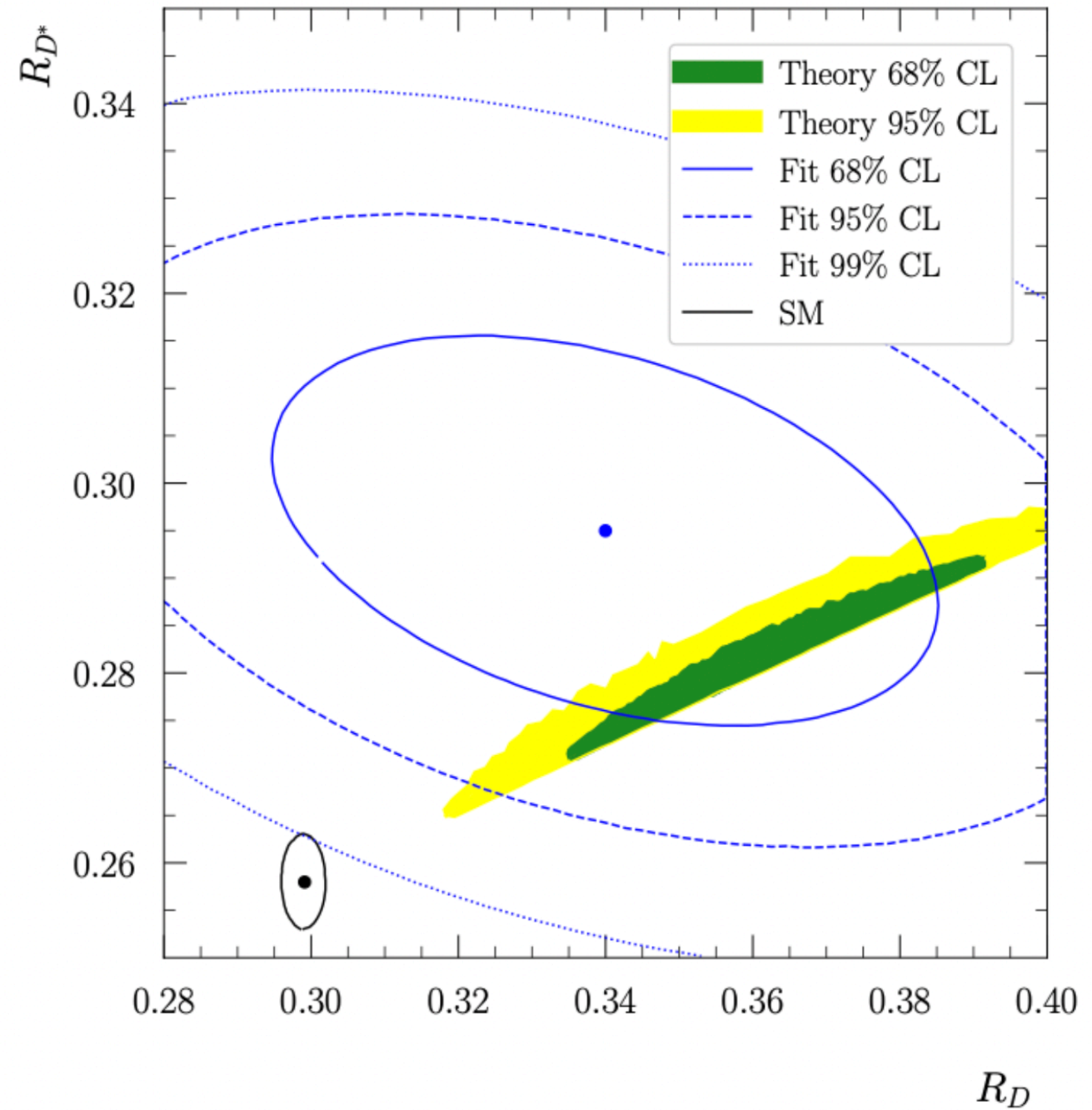
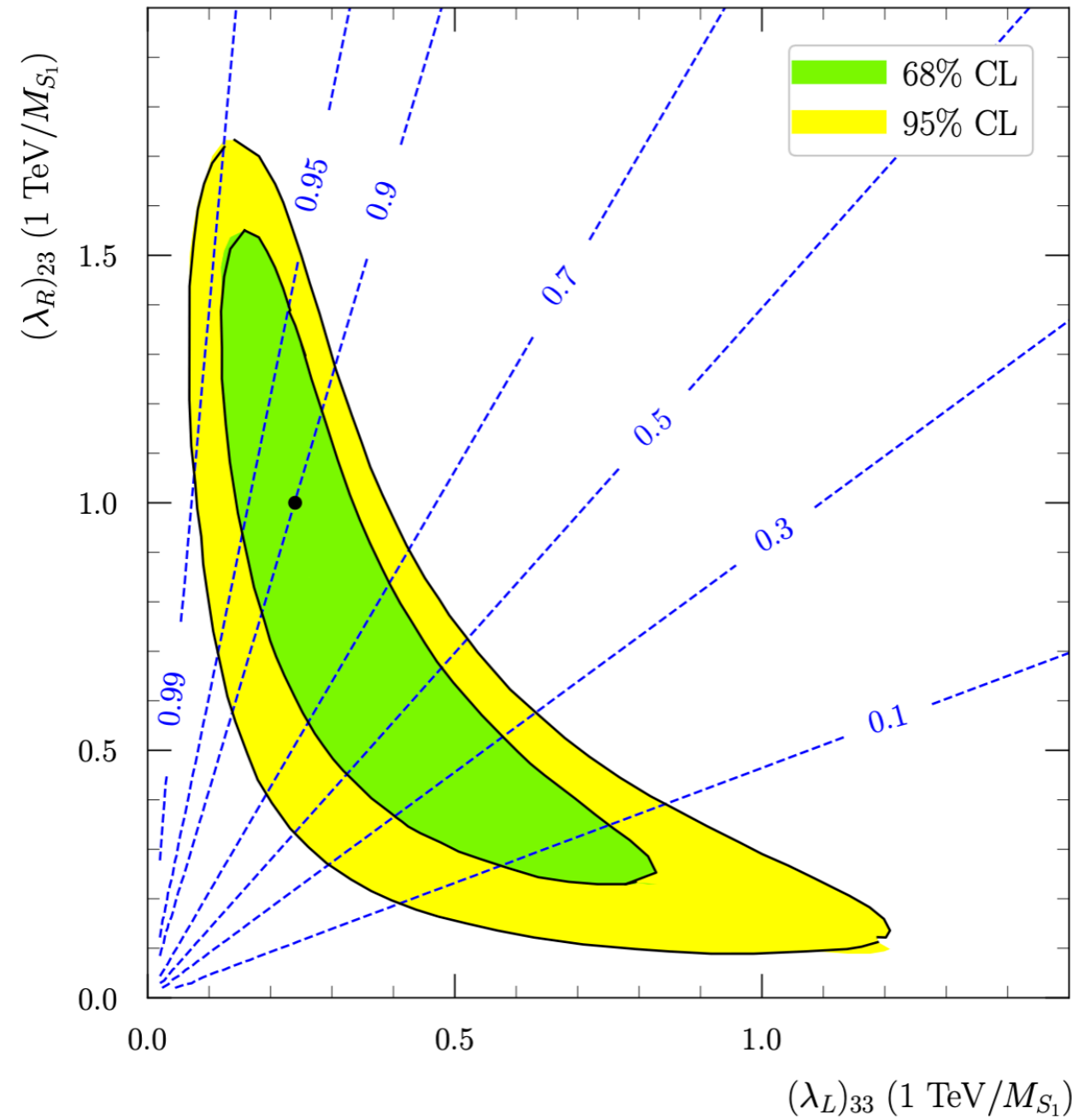
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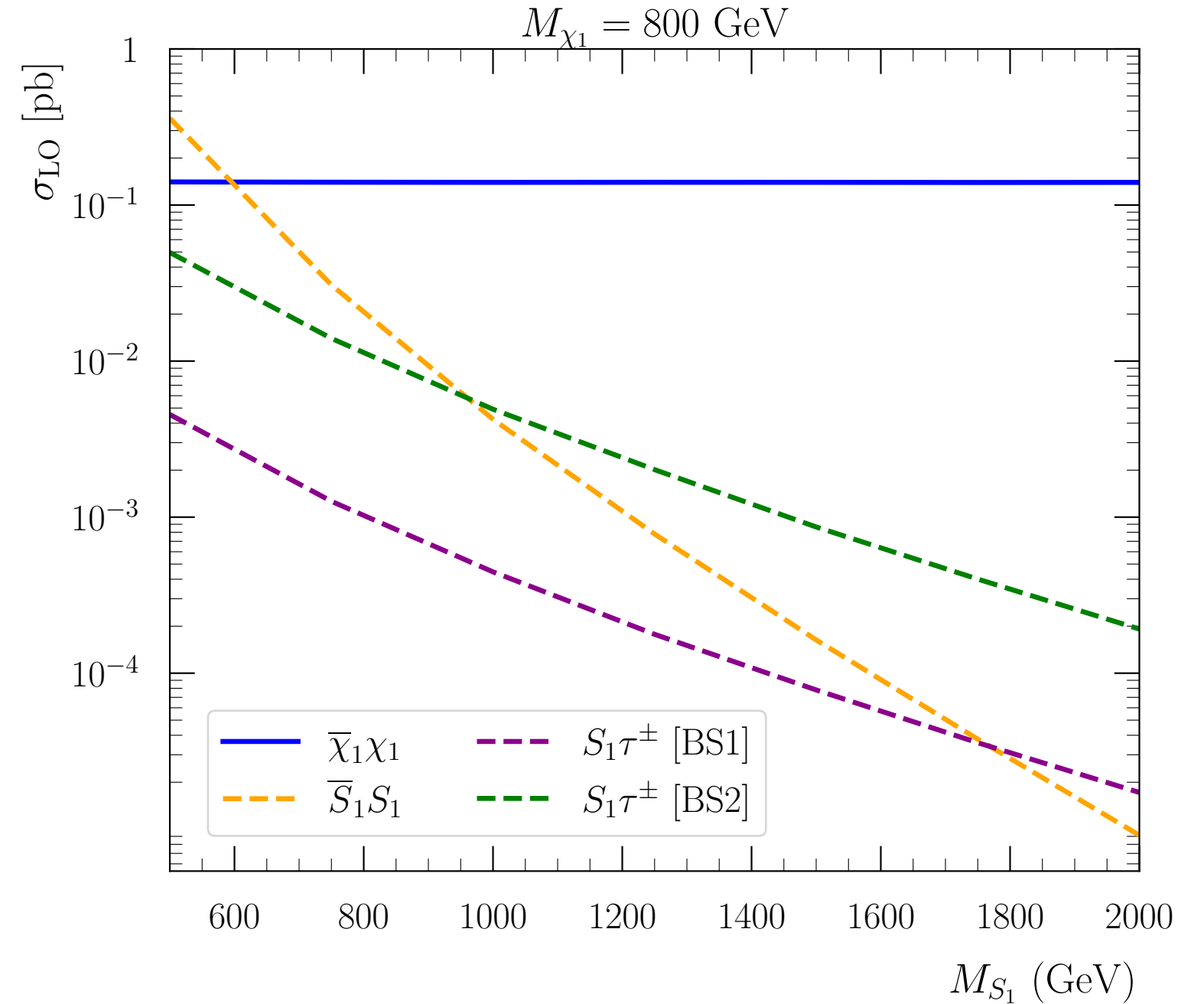
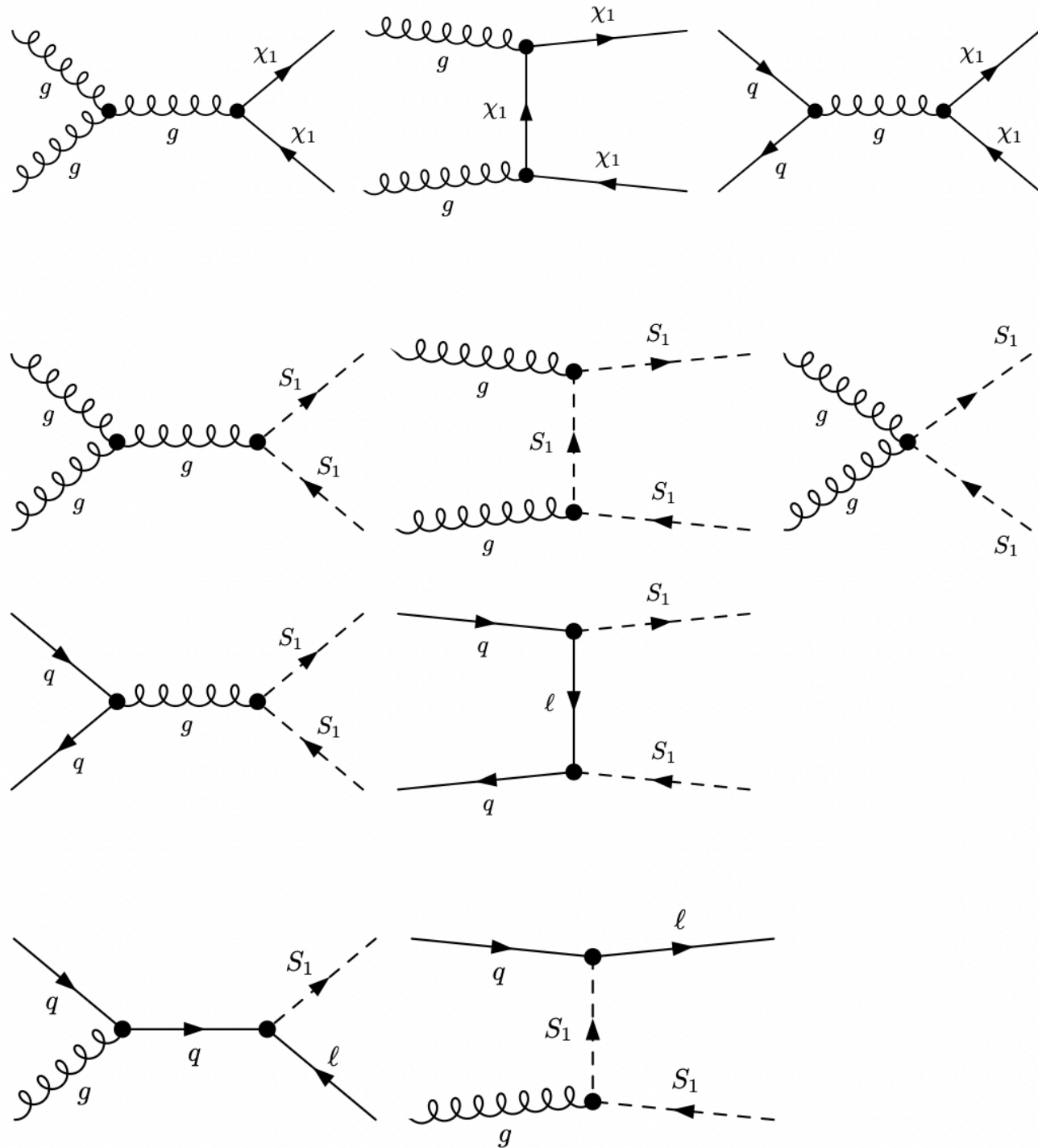
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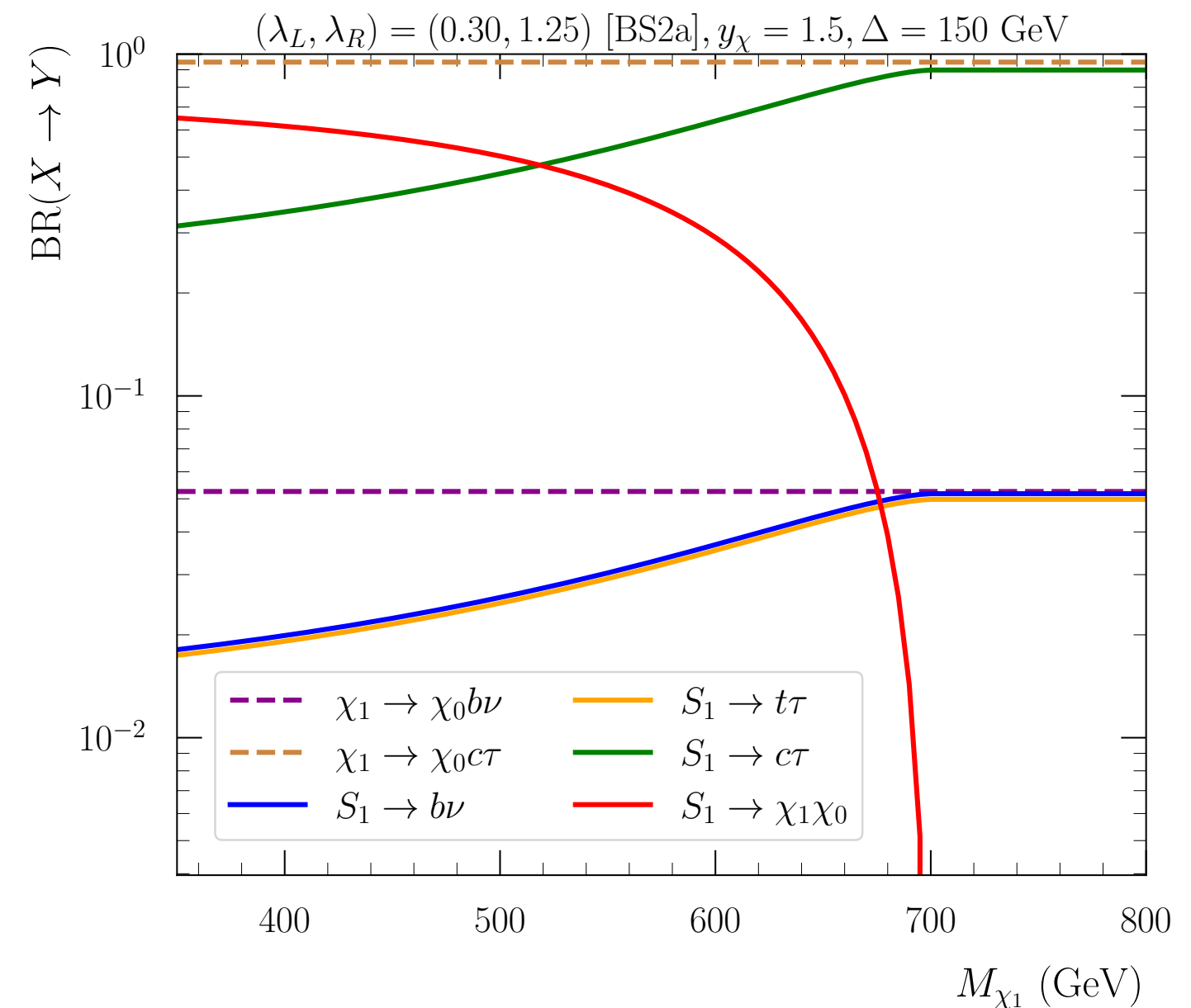
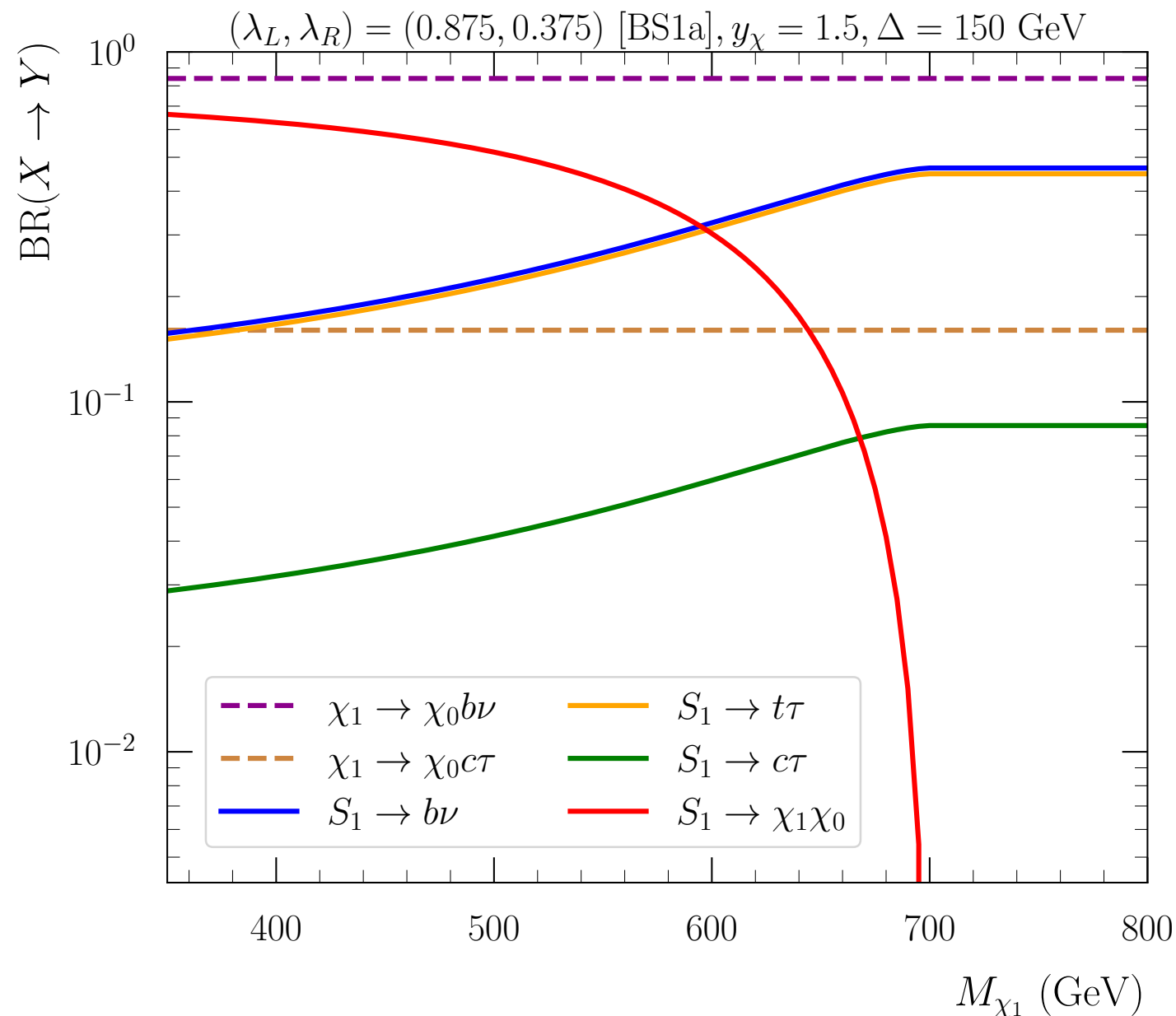
Production rates of LQs and DM



All the constraints are analyzed using LO matrix elements

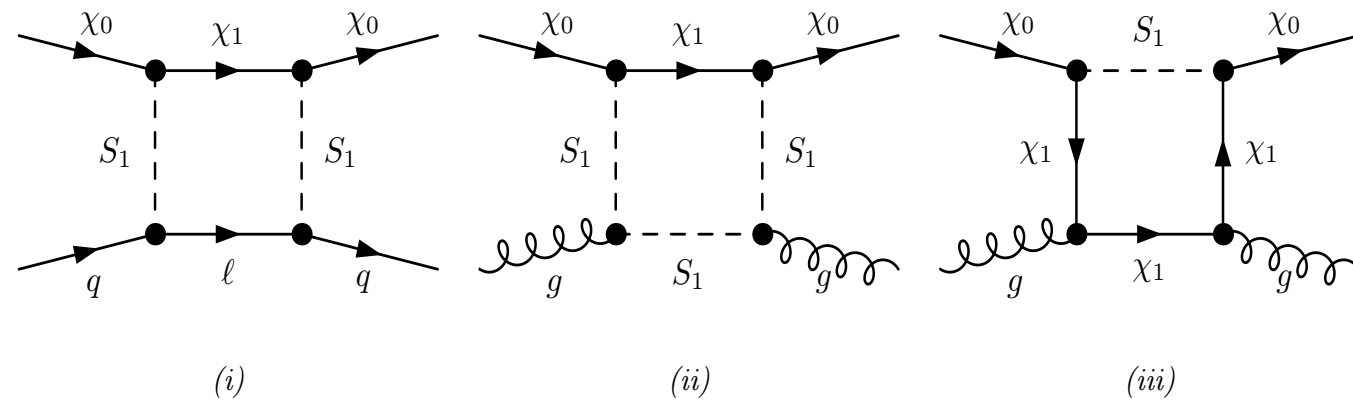
Decay rates of LQs

- The decay rates of the Leptoquark (S_1) depend on the dark coupling (y_χ) as well.
- The decays of the dark colored particle (χ_1) are always three-body!!

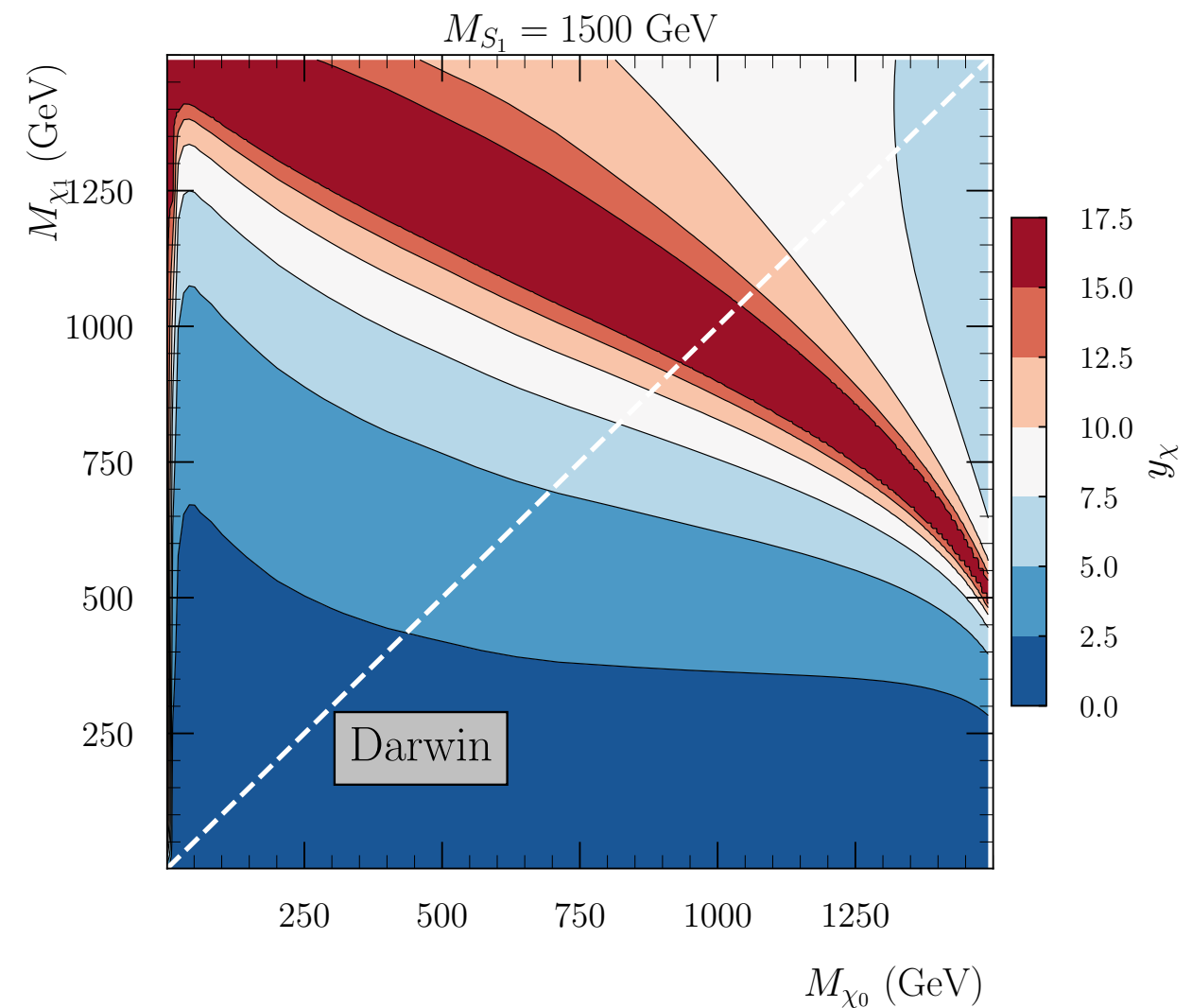
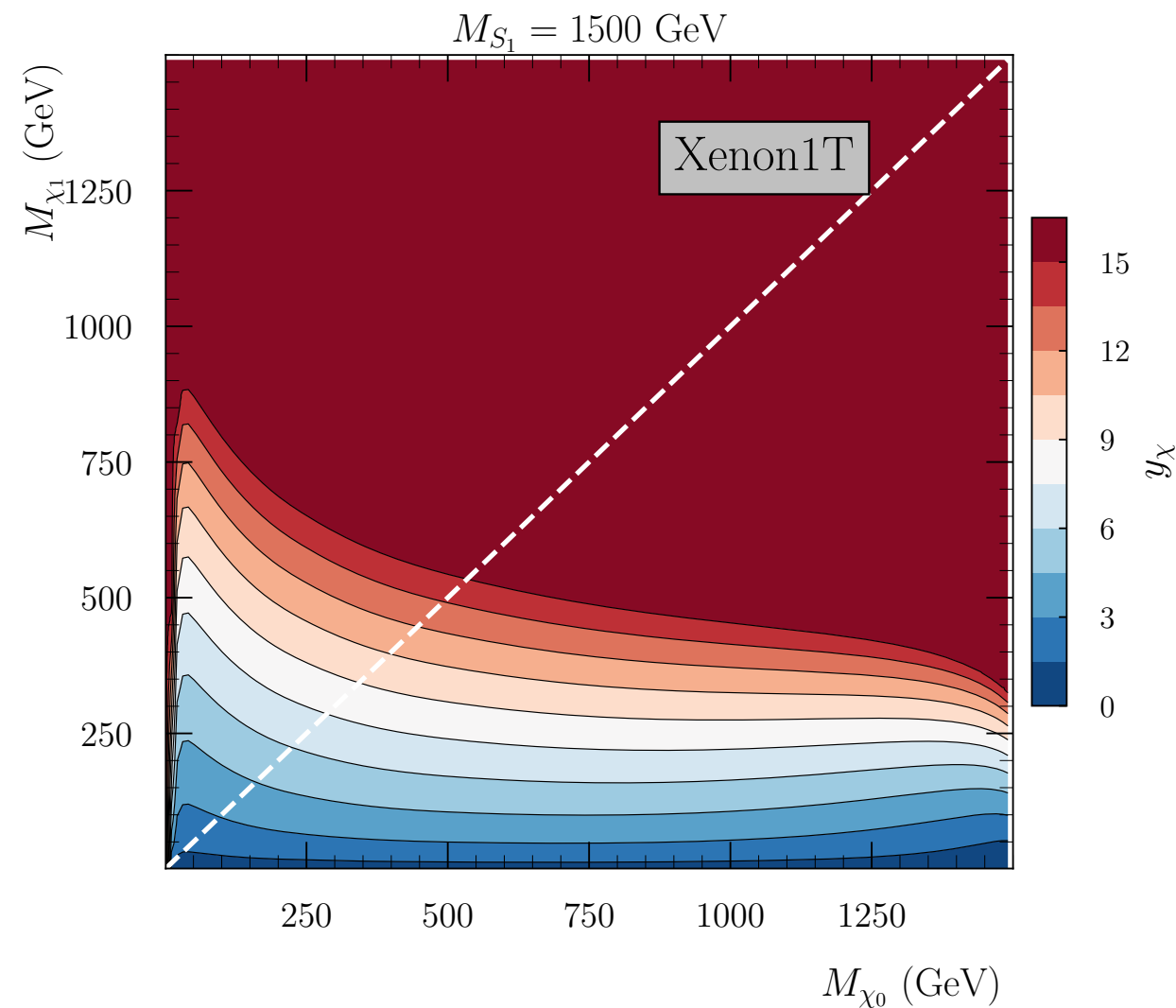


Dark matter in the LQ model: Direct detection

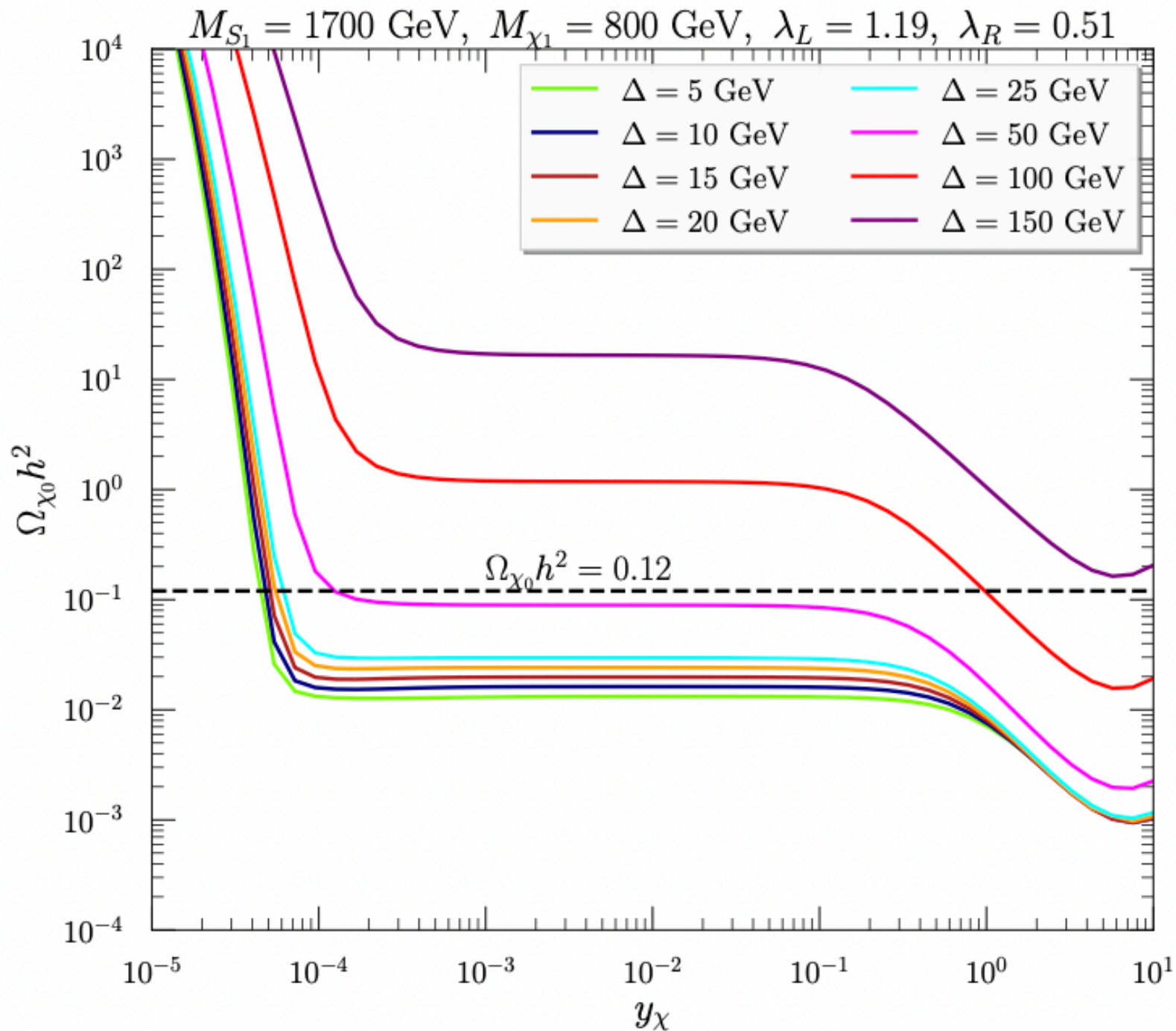
- The spin-independent cross section occurs at the one-loop order



- Contribution of the gluon form factors is dominant
- The constraints are not sensitive to the BS — either BS1 or BS2 are fine



Dark matter relic density in the LQ model



- Minimum y_χ is required to reach a threshold for the inverse $\chi_0 \rightarrow \chi_1$ reaction (depends on the mass splitting).
- A plateau is observed where DM production is dominated by QCD-induced $\chi_1 \chi_1 \rightarrow \text{SM SM}$ co-annihilations.
- Processes such as $\chi_1 \chi_0 \rightarrow \text{SM SM}$ eventually start to contribute more significantly when y_χ increases.
- The relic density is proportional to the mass splitting Δ ($\equiv M_{\chi_1} - M_{\chi_0}$). Therefore, for large values of Δ , the correct relic density is only produced for freeze-out.
- For some threshold of Δ , the relic density cannot be correctly produced (unless $M_{\chi_0} > M_{S_1}$).