

Combination and Reinterpretation of LHC SUSY Searches

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Motivation

- ▶ SM is incomplete → SUSY might yield some answers
- ▶ no SUSY particles found, so far
- ▶ experimental analyses pushed the lower bounds on SUSY masses into the TeV regime (exact limits depend on the considered model)

our goal: push the mass limits even further by combining different CMS and ATLAS analyses

relevant processes: $p p \rightarrow \tilde{q} \bar{\tilde{q}} (+j j)$ $p p \rightarrow \tilde{q} \tilde{x}_1^0 (+j j)$ $p p \rightarrow \tilde{x}_1^0 \tilde{x}_1^0 (+j j)$
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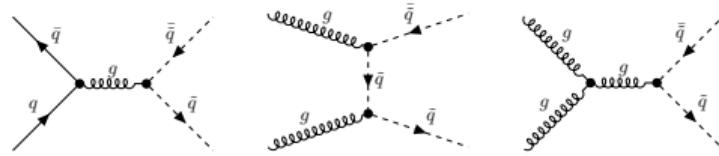
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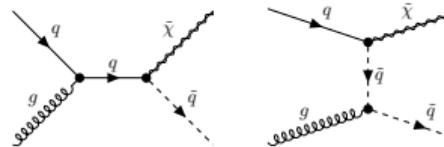
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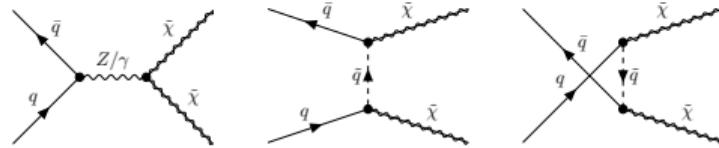
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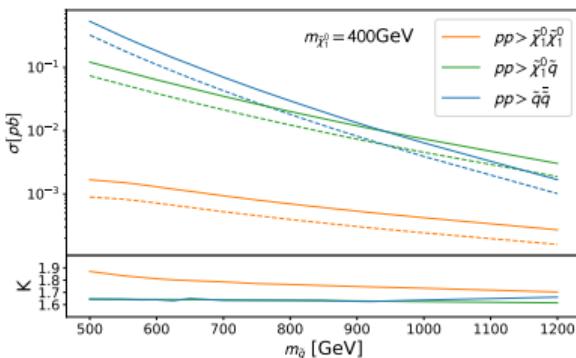


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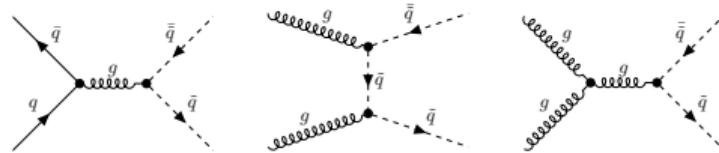
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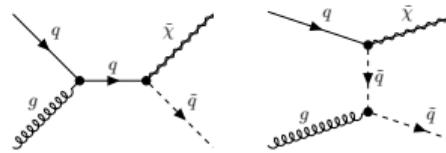


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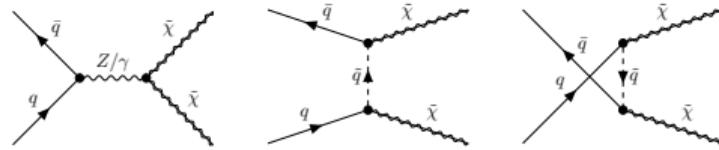
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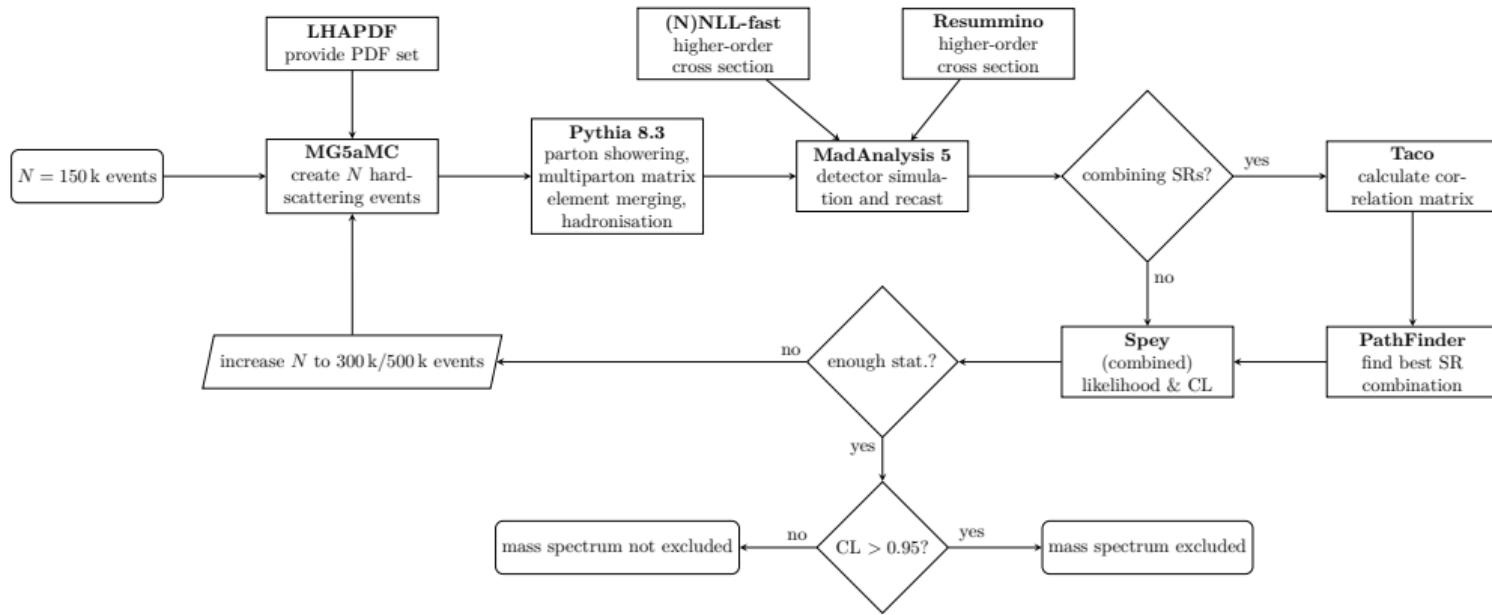
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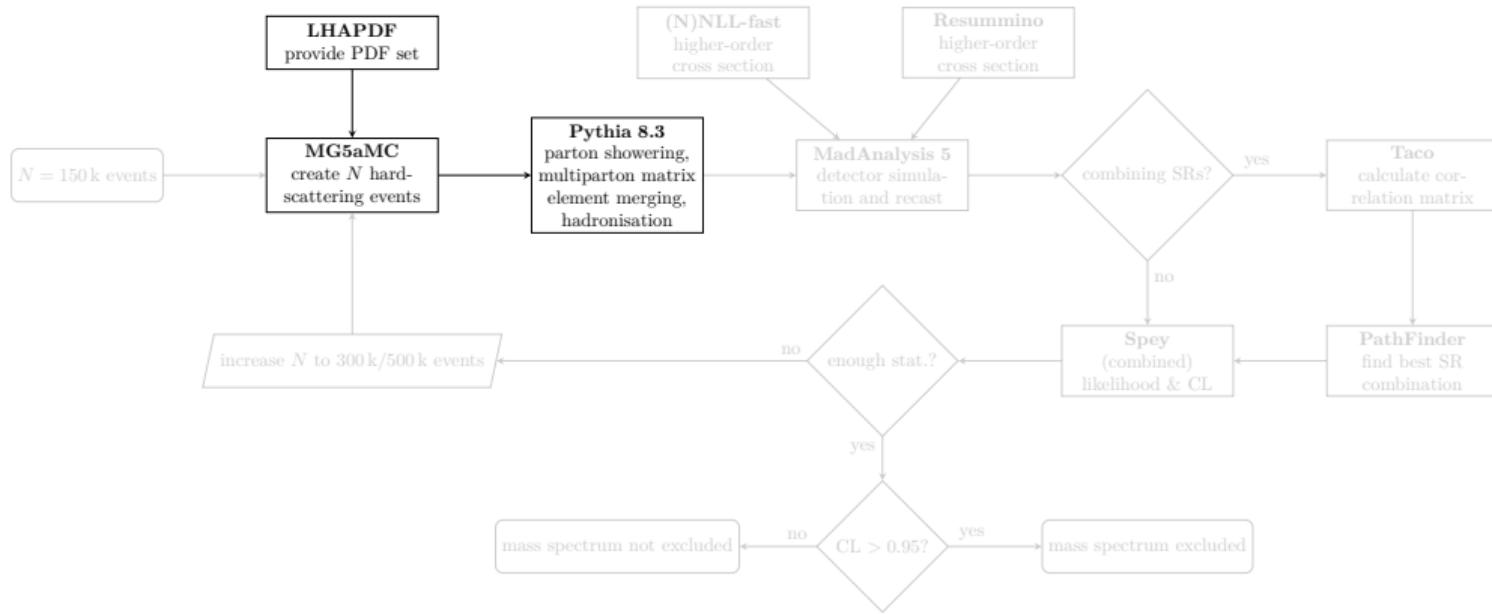
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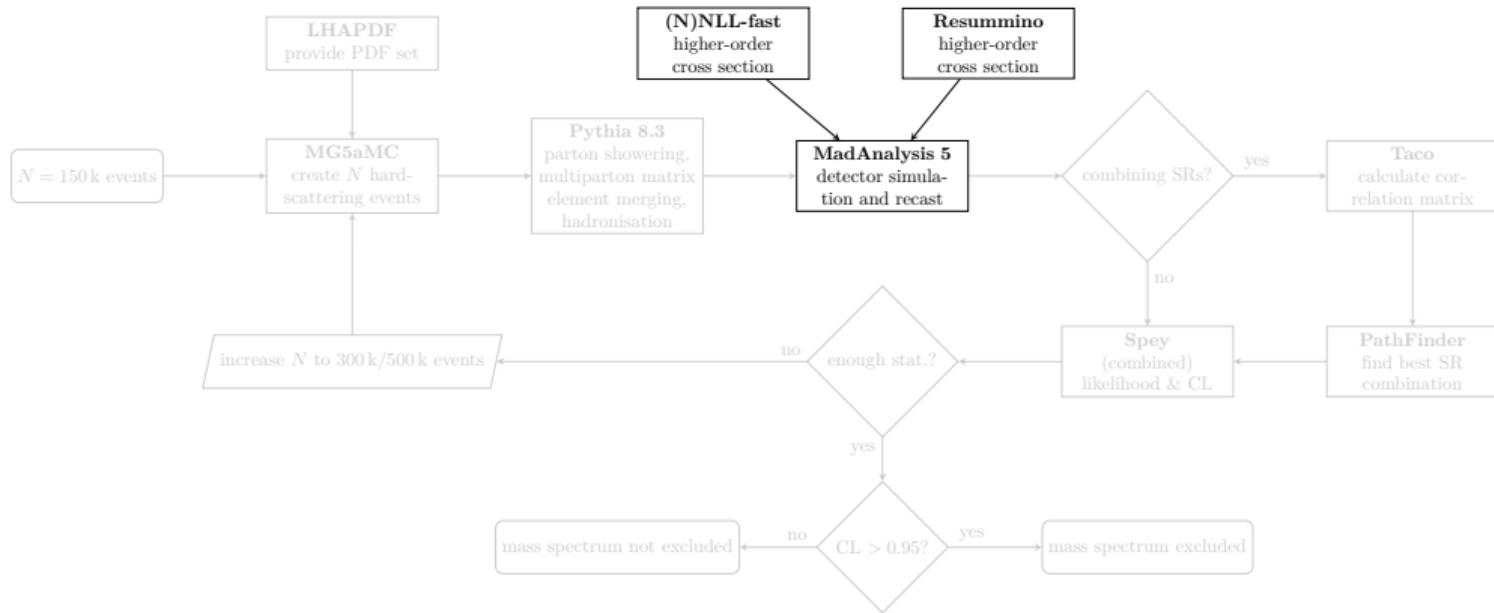
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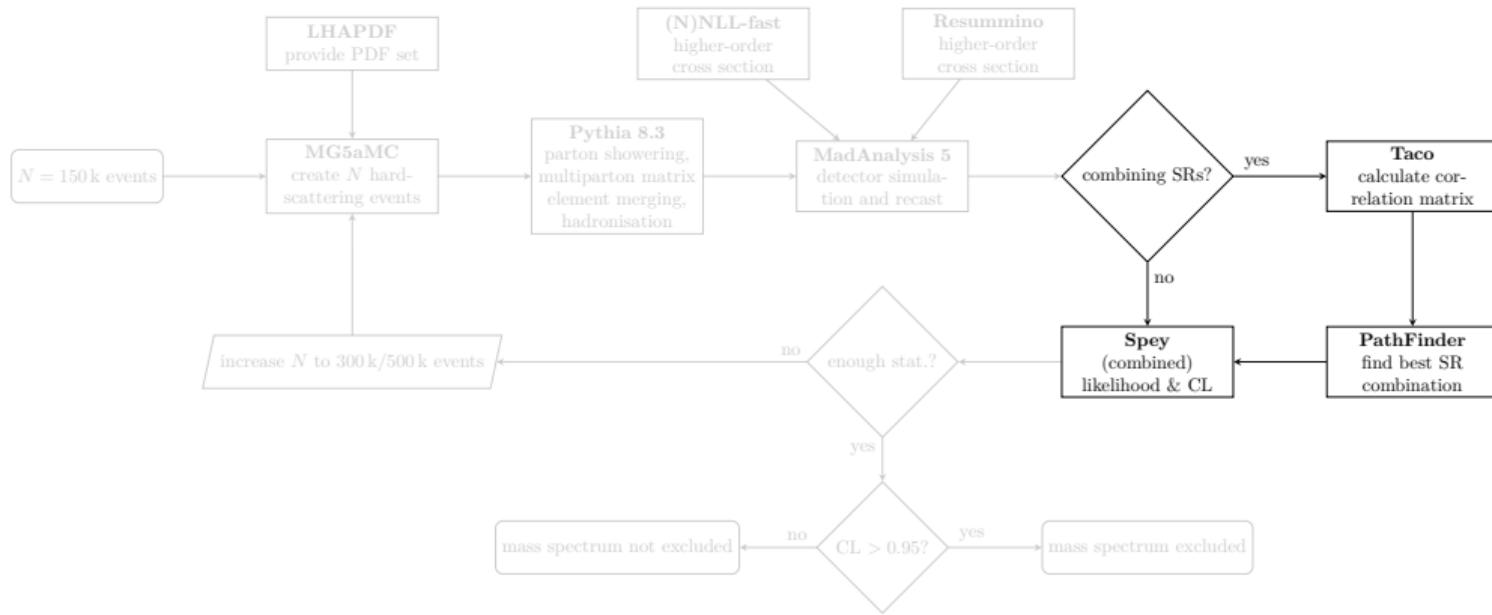
Event Generation



Recasting Analyses



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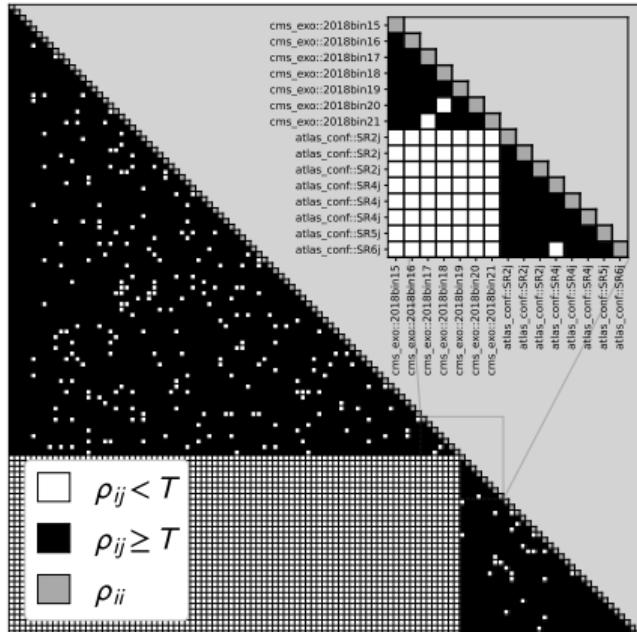
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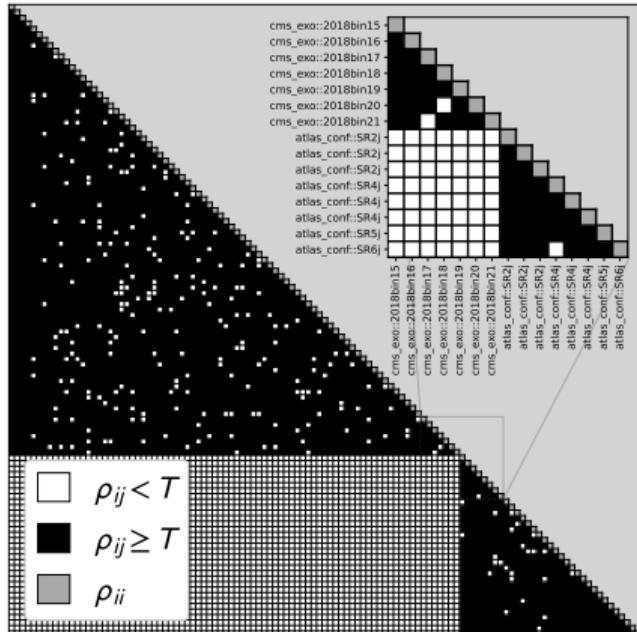
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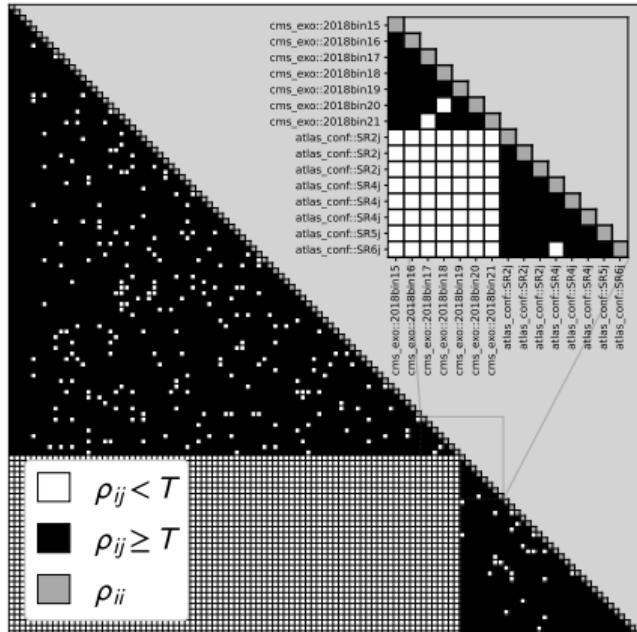
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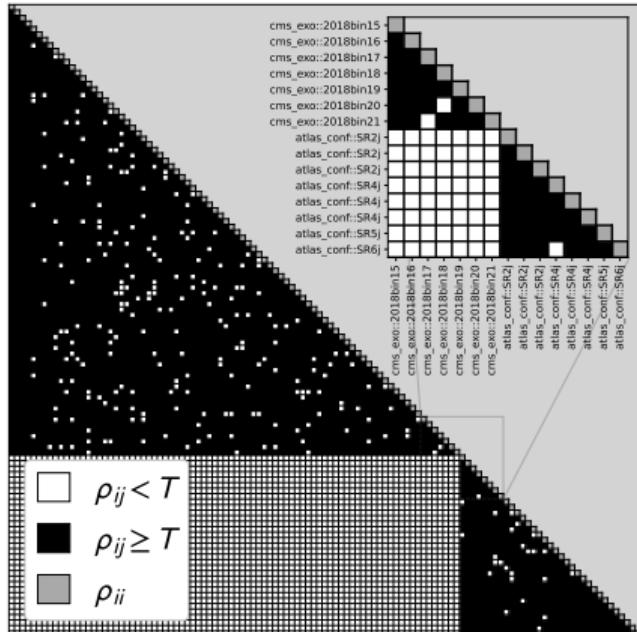
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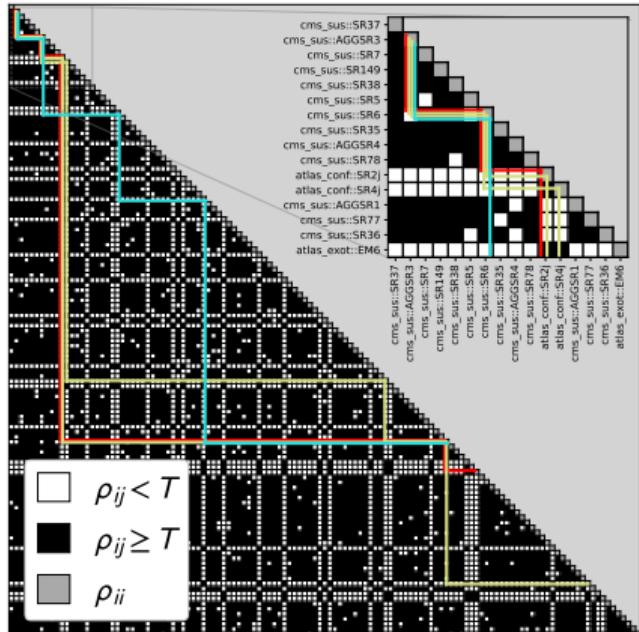
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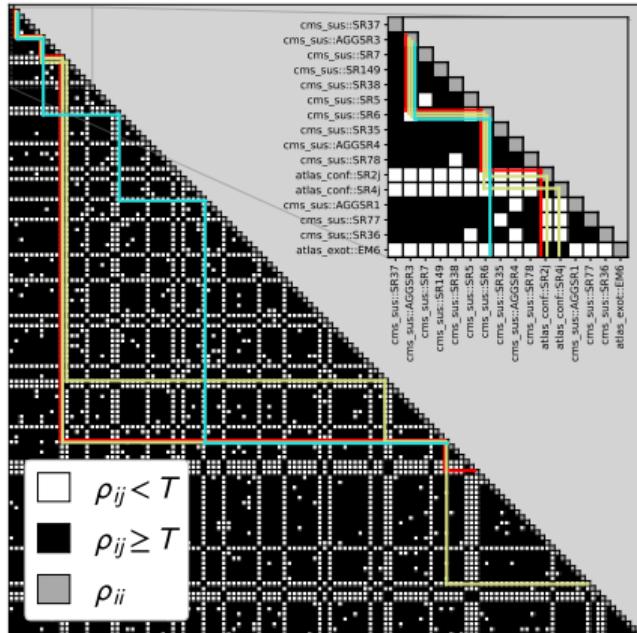
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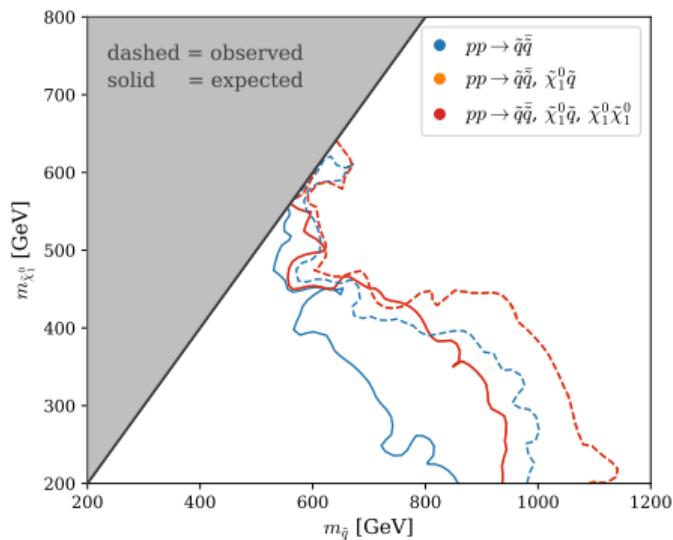
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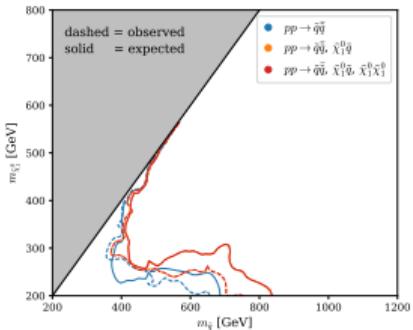
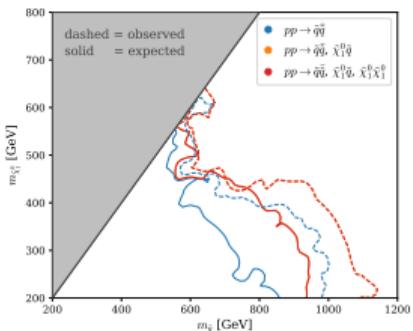
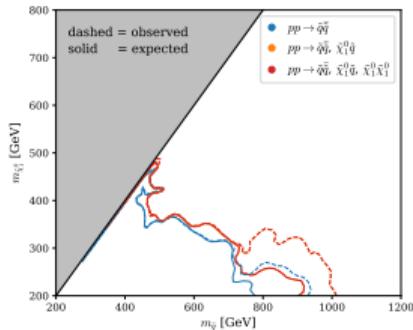
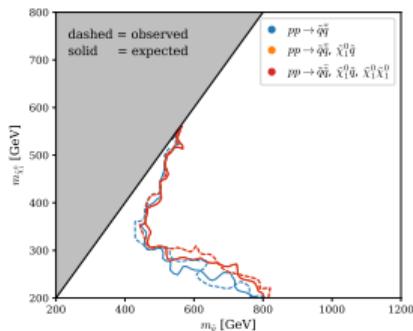
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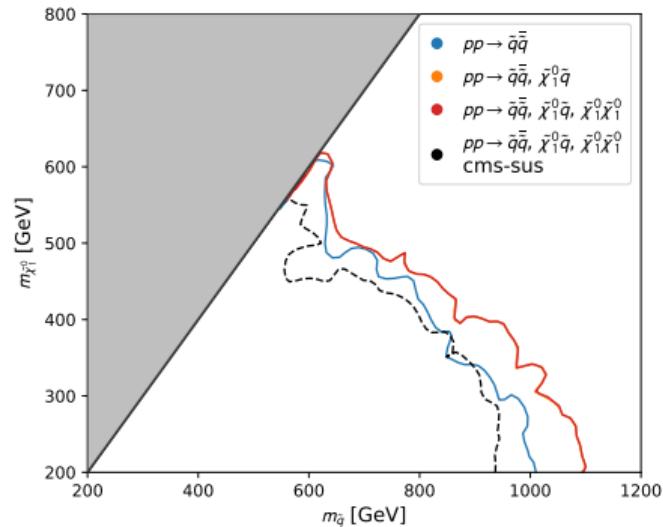
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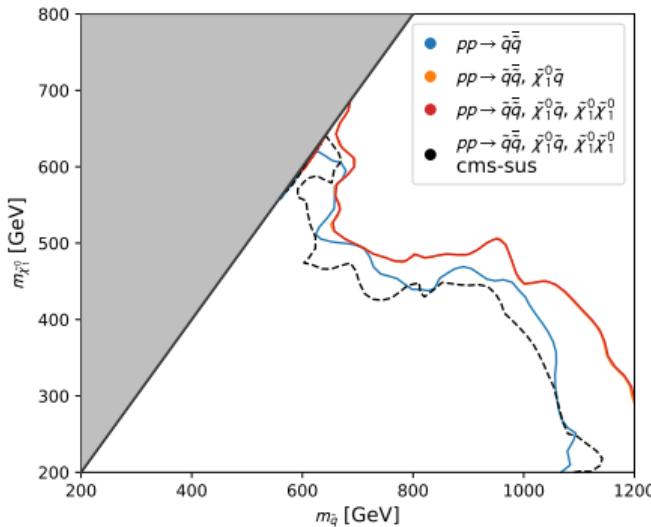
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ATLAS-EXOT-
2018-06CMS-SUS-19-
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Combined analyses

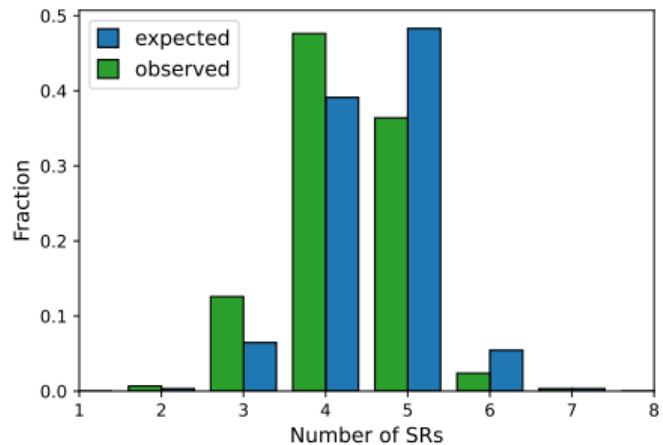


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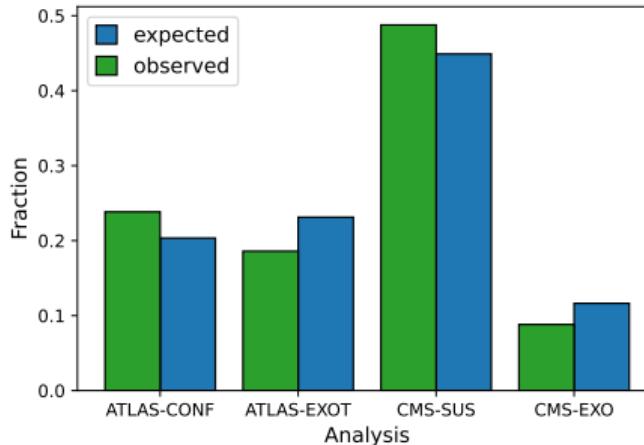


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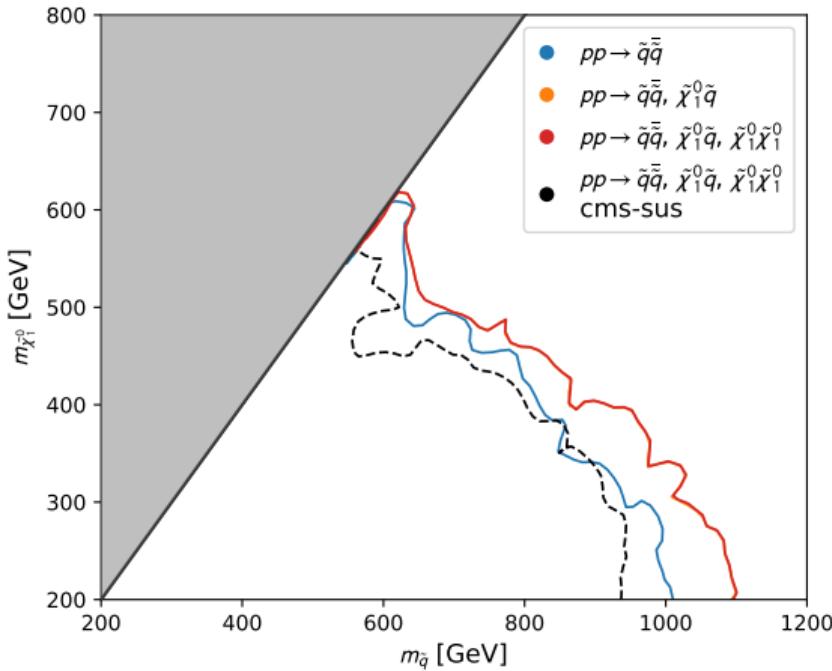
(a) Number of combined SRs



(b) Share of the different analyses

Conclusion

- ▶ recast LHC analyses in a simplified SUSY model considering $\tilde{q}\bar{q}$, $\tilde{\chi}_1^0\tilde{q}$ and $\tilde{\chi}_1^0\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ production
- ▶ successfully combined uncorrelated SRs from ATLAS and CMS
 - significant gain in exclusion power
- ▶ step towards maximizing information gain from existing data



Backup

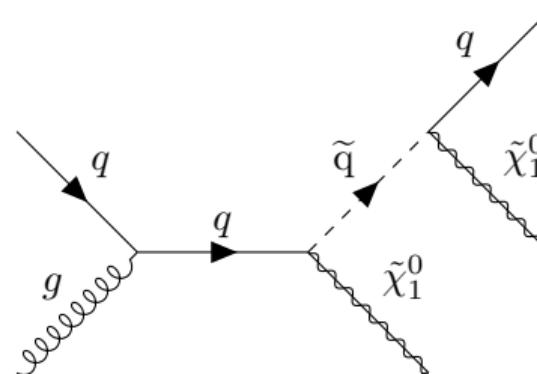
Versions, PDFs, etc.

| program | version | PDF (N)LO | PDF higher order |
|-------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| MadGraph | MG5_aMC_v3_4_1 | MSHT20lo_as130 | |
| Resummino | 3.1.1 | MSHT20lo_as130 | MSHT20nlo_as118 |
| nllfast | nllfast-3.1 | MSTW2008LO | MSTW2008NLO |
| nnllfast | nnllfast-1.1 | NLO PDF4LHC15 | NNLO PDF4LHC15 |
| MadAnalysis | v1.10.9-beta | | |
| Pythia8 | pythia8306 | | |

Event Generation

1. use MadGraph5 to create events
 - ▶ prevent double counting
 - ▶ only allow off-shell squarks within process
2. add parton shower with Pythia8
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 - ▶ jet merging with CKKW-L

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Cross sections

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Analyses

| cuts | ATLAS-EXOT | ATLAS-CONF | CMS-SUS | CMS-EXO |
|--|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| veto | e, μ, τ, γ | e, μ | e, μ, γ | $e, \mu, \tau, \gamma, b\text{-jet}$ |
| N_j | ≥ 1 | ≥ 2 | ≥ 2 | ≥ 1 |
| E_T^{miss} | $> 200 \text{ GeV}$ | $> 300 \text{ GeV}$ | - | $> 250 \text{ GeV}$ |
| $ n $ | < 2.4 | - | < 2.4 | < 2.4 |
| $p_T(j_1)$ | $> 150 \text{ GeV}$ | $> 200 \text{ GeV}$ | - | $> 100 \text{ GeV}$ |
| $p_T(j_2, \dots, j_{N_j})$ | $> 30 \text{ GeV}$ | $> 50 \text{ GeV}$ | - | - |
| $\Delta\Phi(\text{jet}, \mathbf{p}_T^{\text{miss}})$ | > 0.4 | > 0.2 | > 0.5 | > 0.5 |
| m_{eff} | - | $> 800 \text{ GeV}$ | - | - |
| H_T | - | - | $> 300 \text{ GeV}$ | - |
| $ \vec{H}_T^{\text{miss}} $ | - | - | $> 300 \text{ GeV}$ | - |

$$m_{\text{eff}} = E_T^{\text{miss}} + \sum_{p_T > 50 \text{ GeV}} p_T(j)$$

$$H_T = \sum_{|n| < 2.4} p_T(j)$$

$$\vec{H}_T^{\text{miss}} = \sum_{|n| < 5} \vec{p}_T(j)$$