

Searches for New Physics in the LHC era

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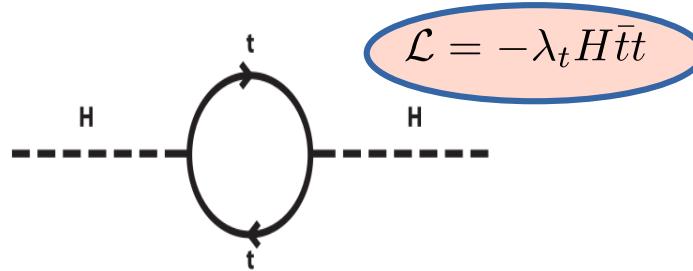
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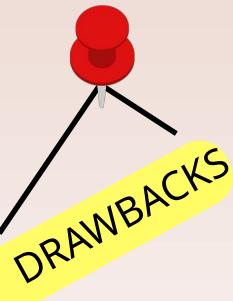
Three generations of matter (fermions)						
	I	II	III			
mass →	2.4 MeV/c ²	1.27 GeV/c ²	171.2 GeV/c ²	0	91.2 GeV/c ²	
charge →	2/3 u	2/3 c	2/3 t	0	0 Z ⁰	
spin →	1/2 up	1/2 charm	1/2 top	1	1 Z boson	
name →						
Quarks					Gauge bosons	
	4.8 MeV/c ² -1/3 d	104 MeV/c ² -1/3 s	4.2 GeV/c ² -1/3 b	0 g	80.4 GeV/c ² ±1 W [±]	
	down	strange	bottom	gluon	W boson	
Leptons						
	<2.2 eV/c ² 0 ν _e	<0.17 MeV/c ² 0 ν _μ	<15.5 MeV/c ² 0 ν _τ			
	electron neutrino	muon neutrino	tau neutrino			
	0.511 MeV/c ² -1 e	105.7 MeV/c ² -1 μ	1.777 GeV/c ² -1 τ			
	electron	muon	tau			
					126 GeV/c ² 0 H ⁰	Higgs boson

Drawbacks of the Standard Model

- ◆ The Higgs mass instability problem in the Electroweak (EW) sector



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- ◆ The Axion quality Problem

Inclusion of quantum gravity ruins the $U(1)_{PQ}$ solution to the Strong CP problem

- ◆ Existence of Dark Matter

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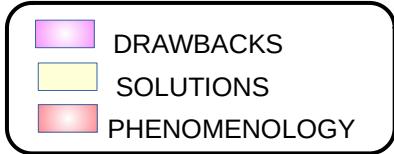
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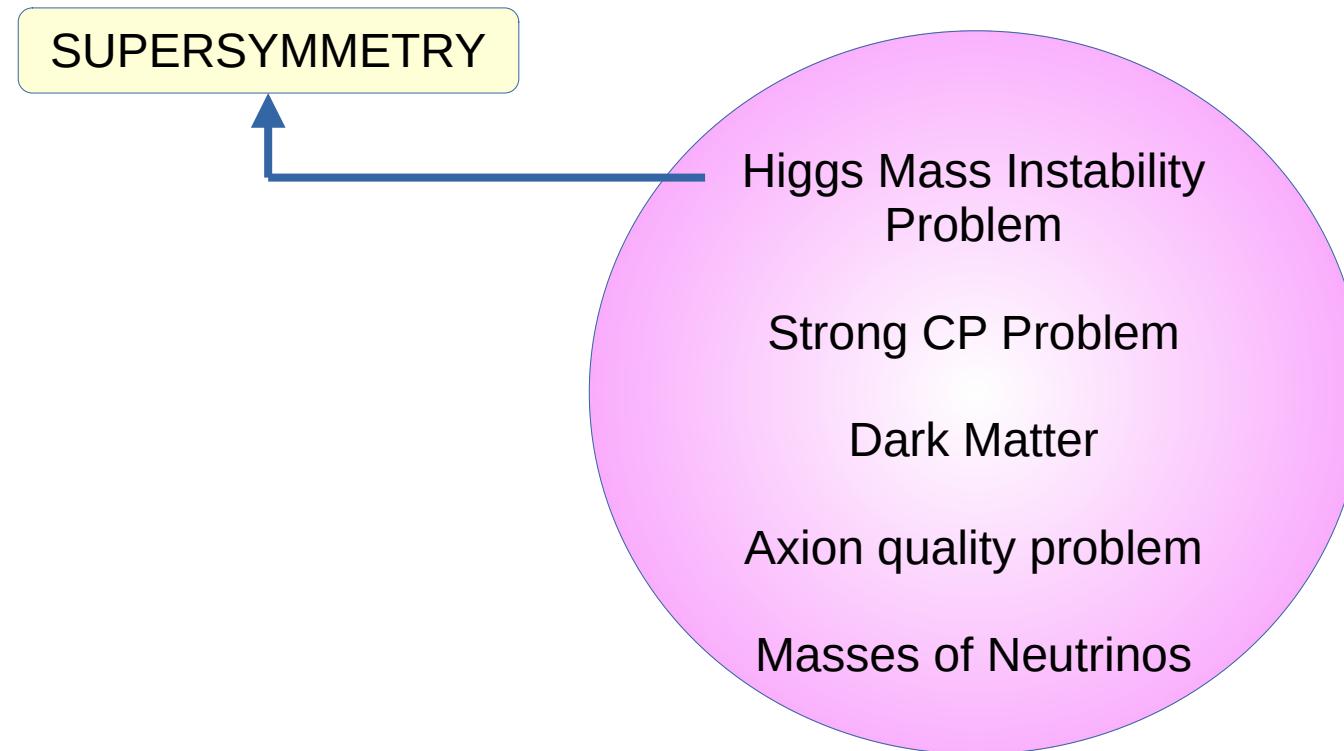
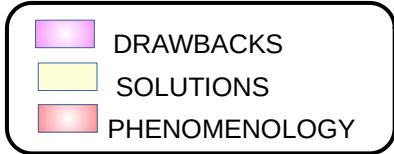
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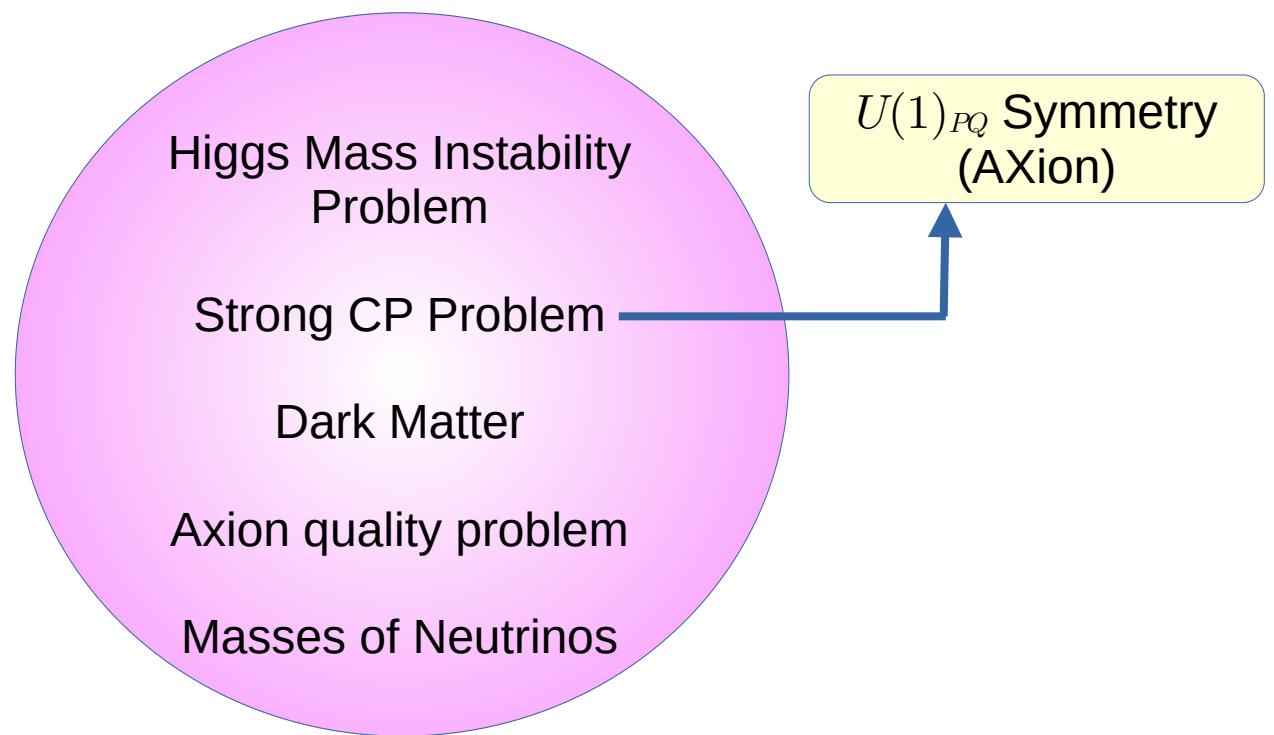
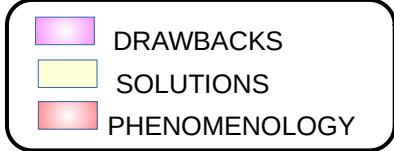
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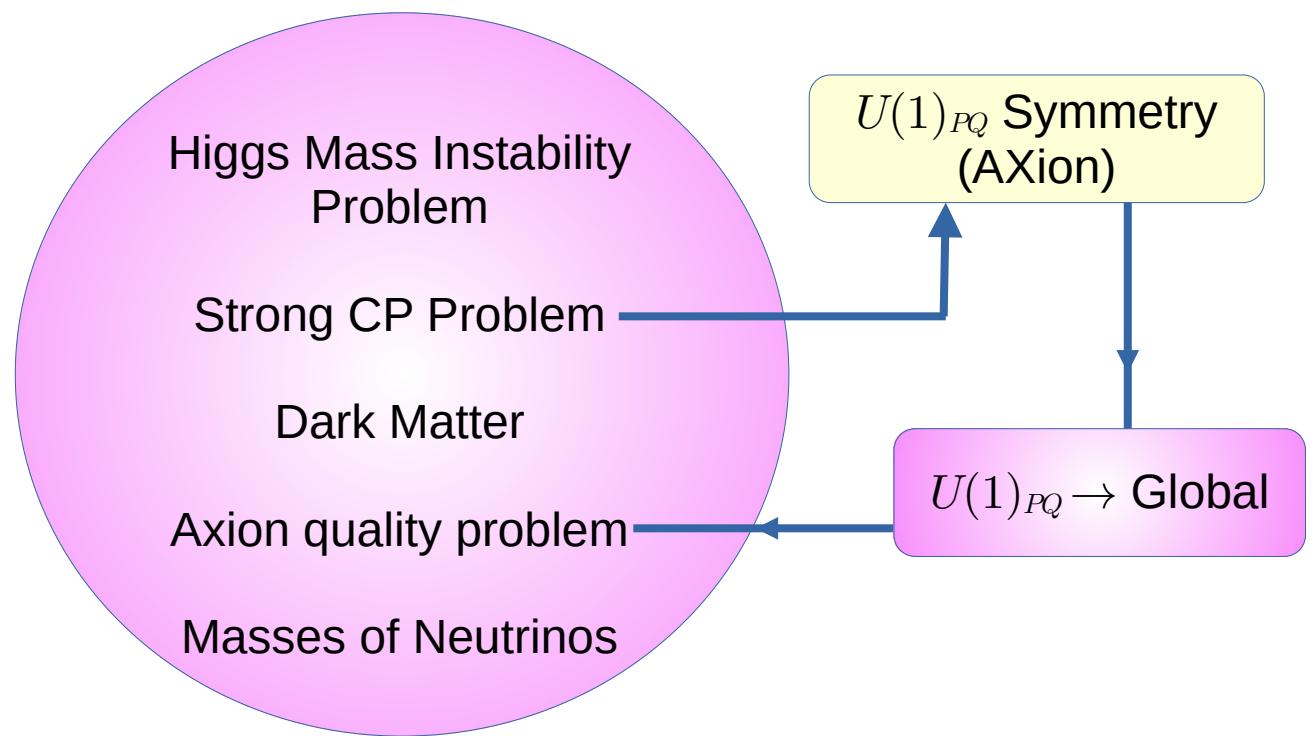
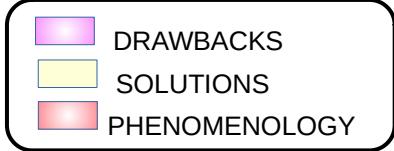
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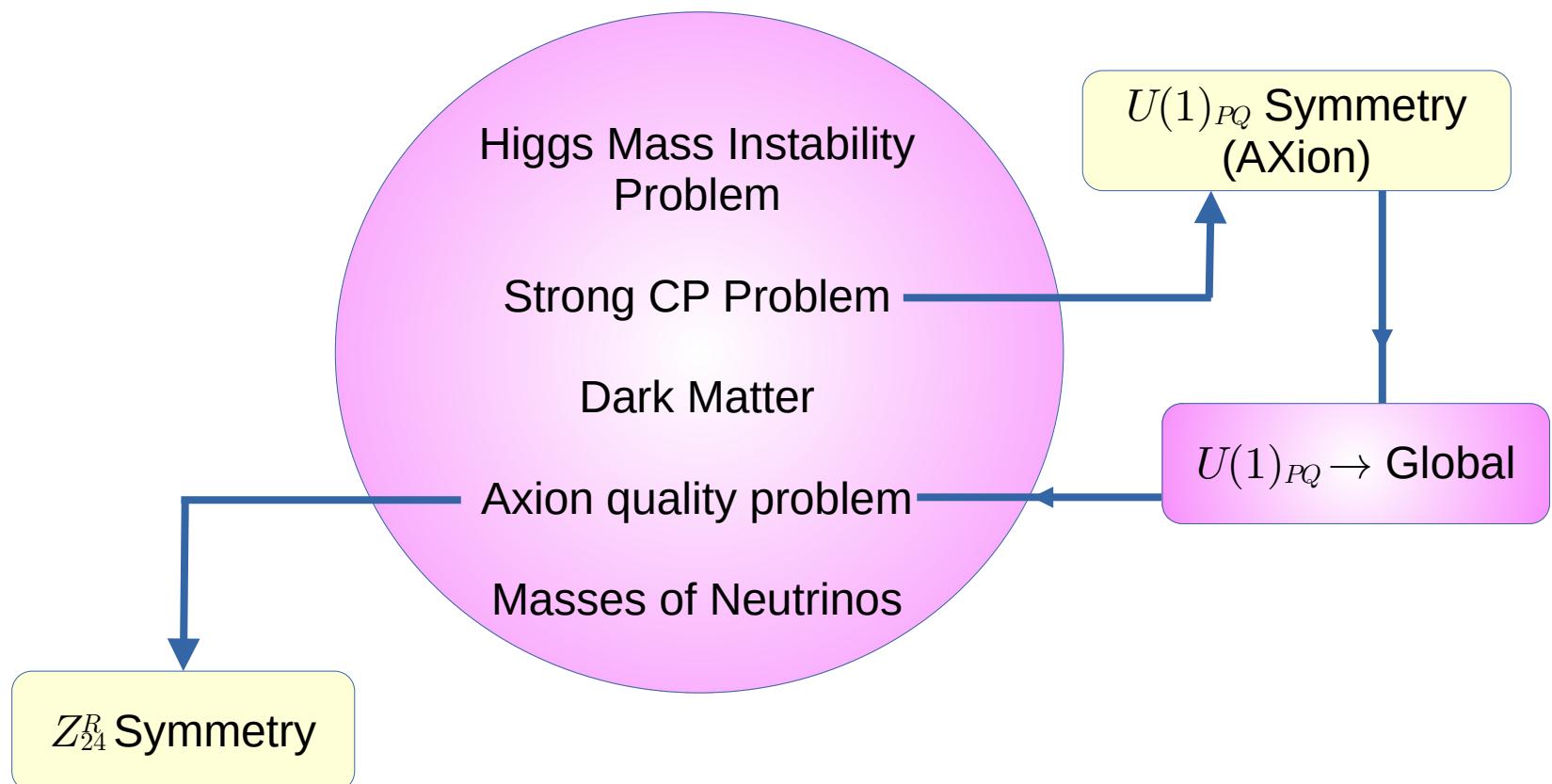
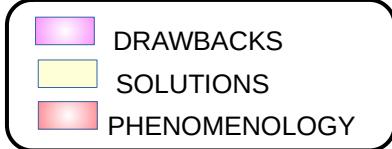
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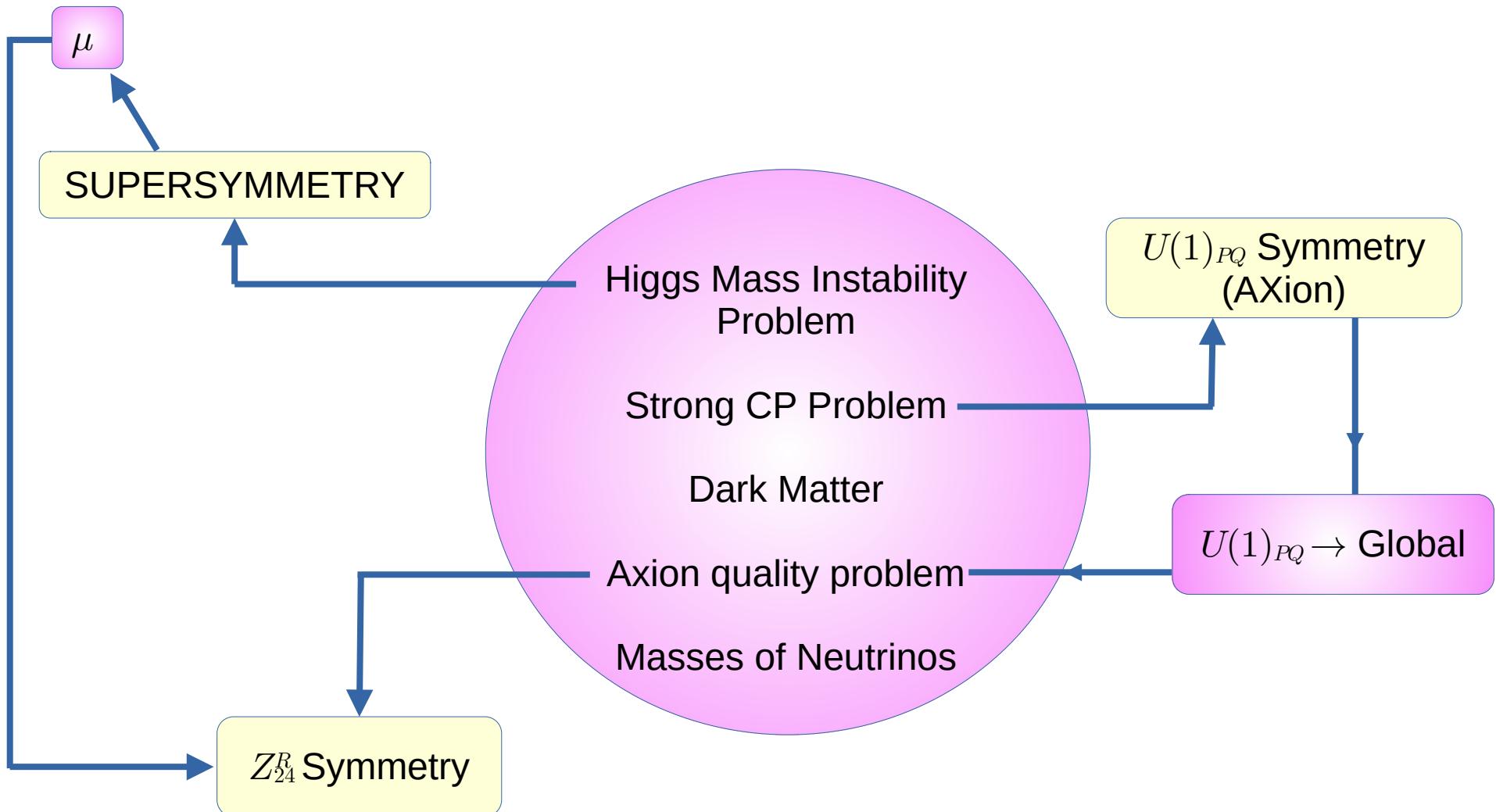
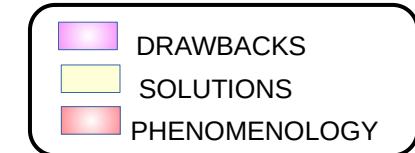
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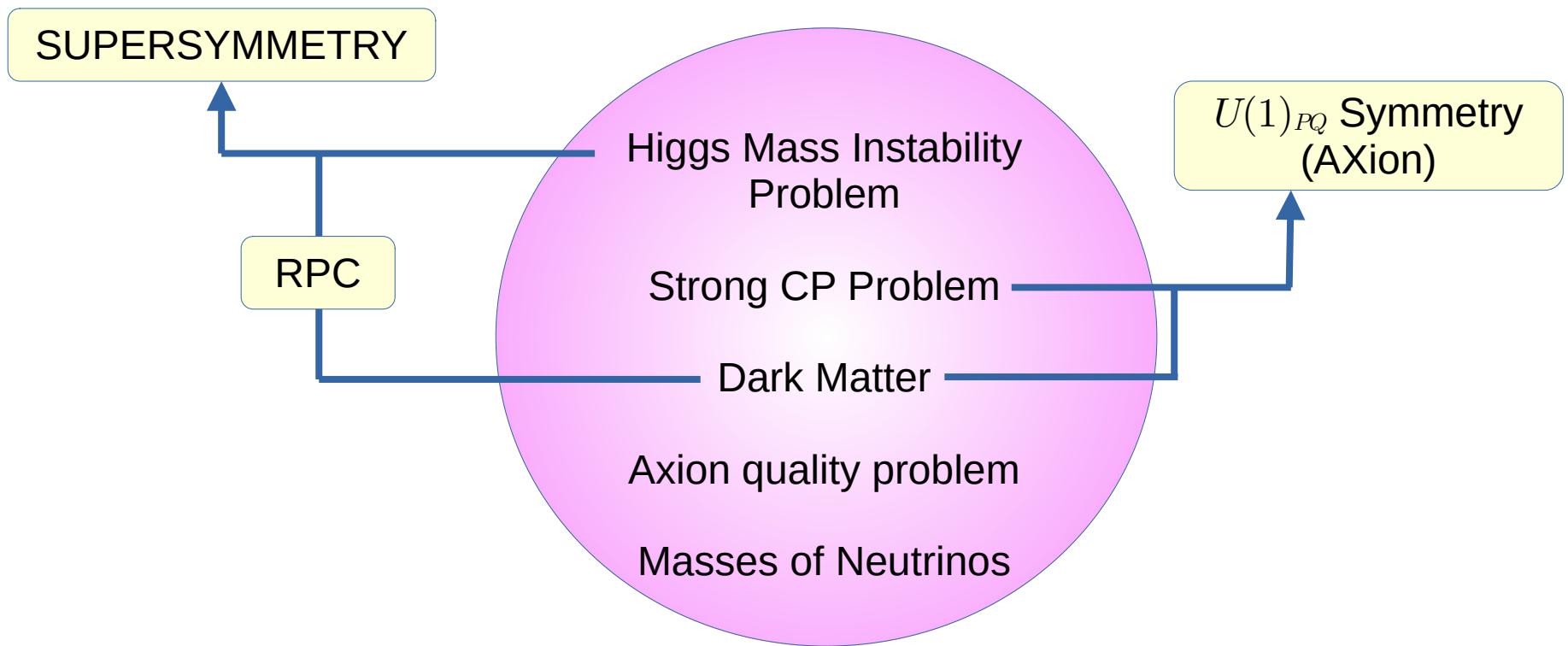
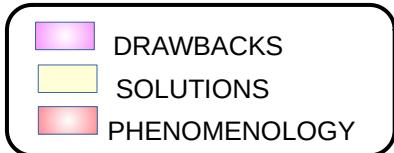
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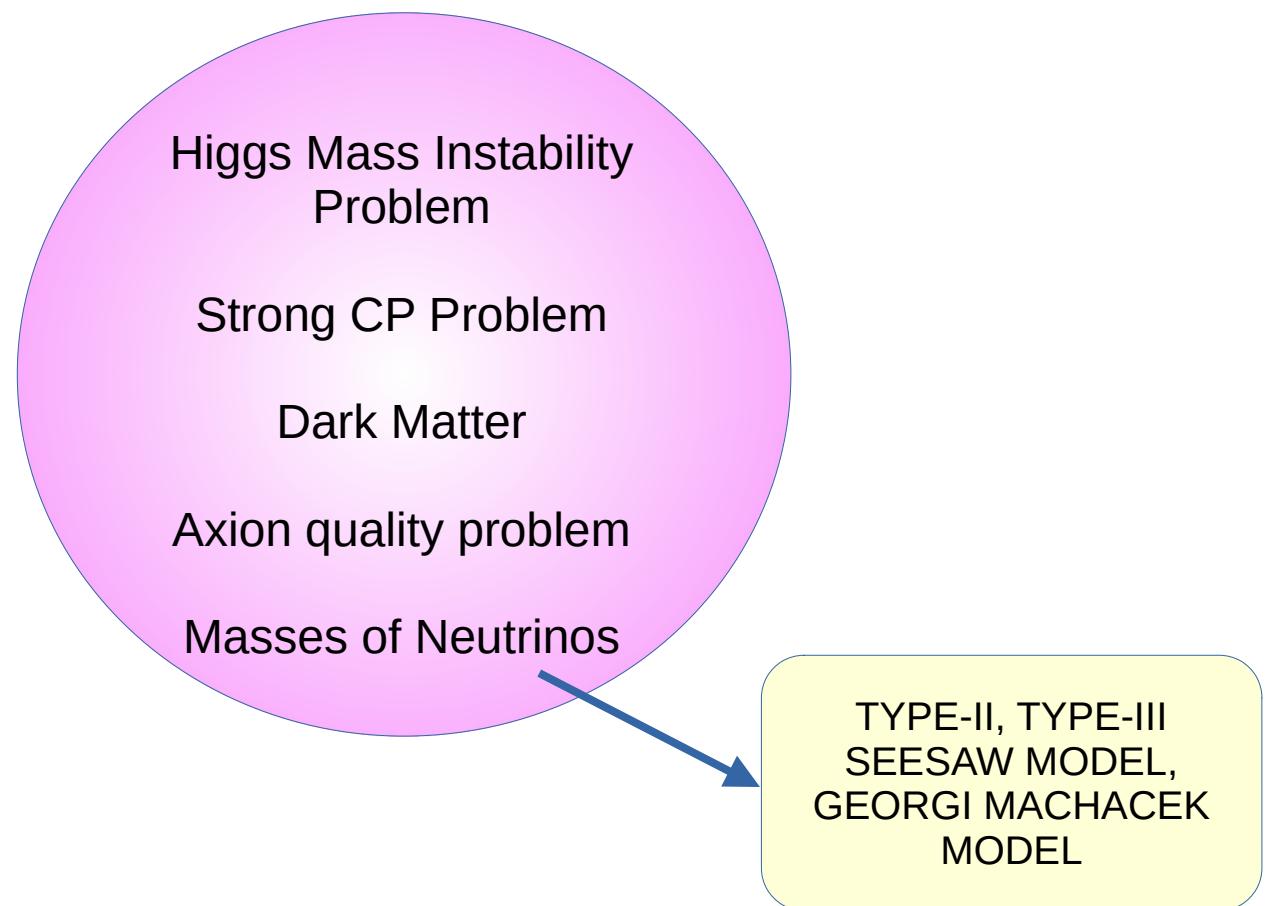
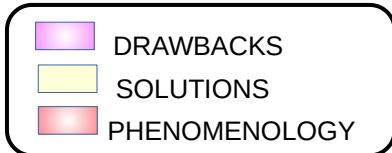
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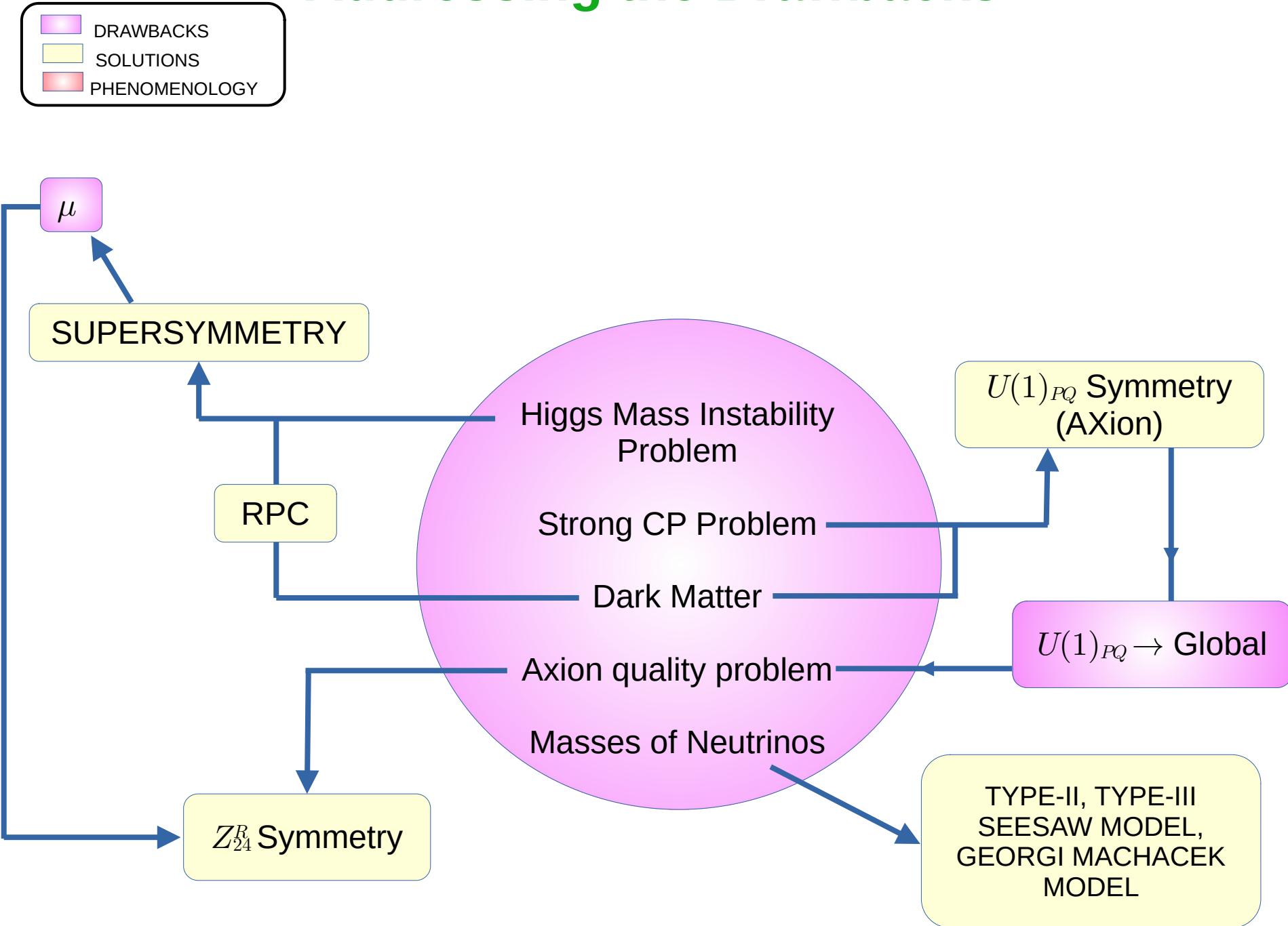
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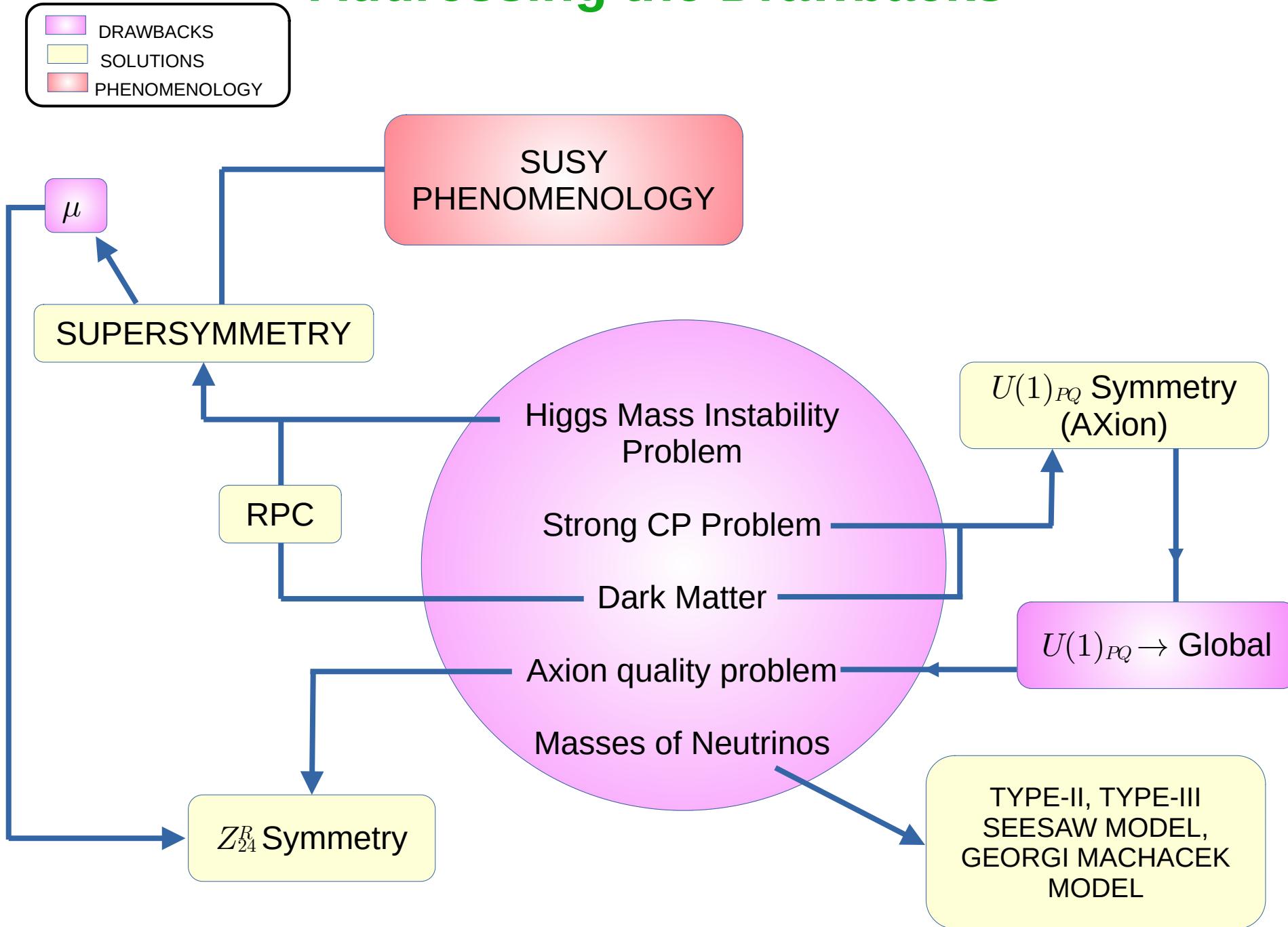
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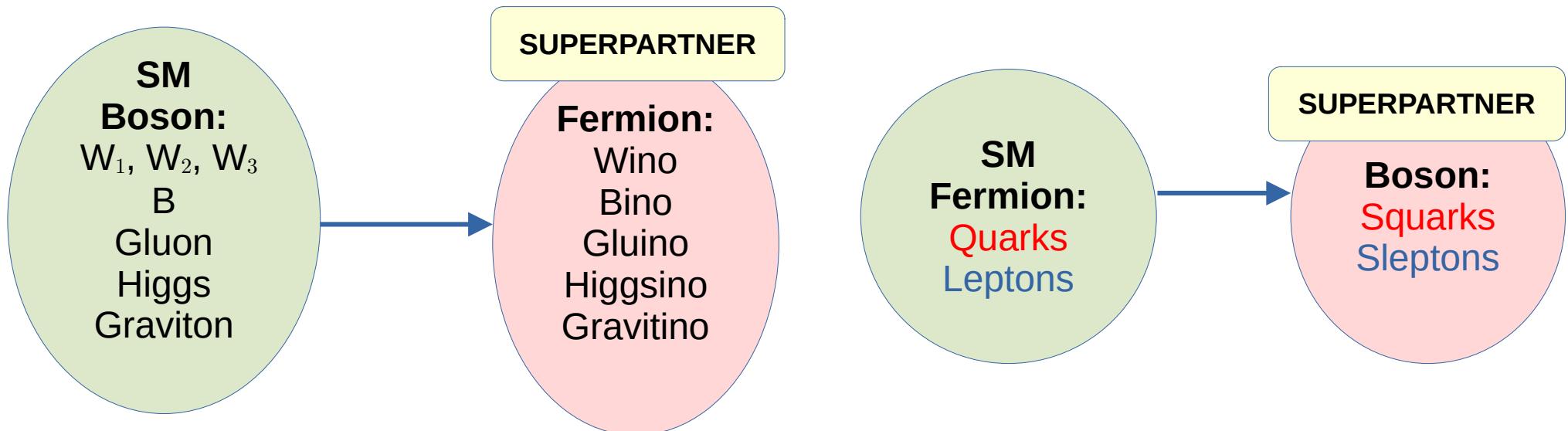
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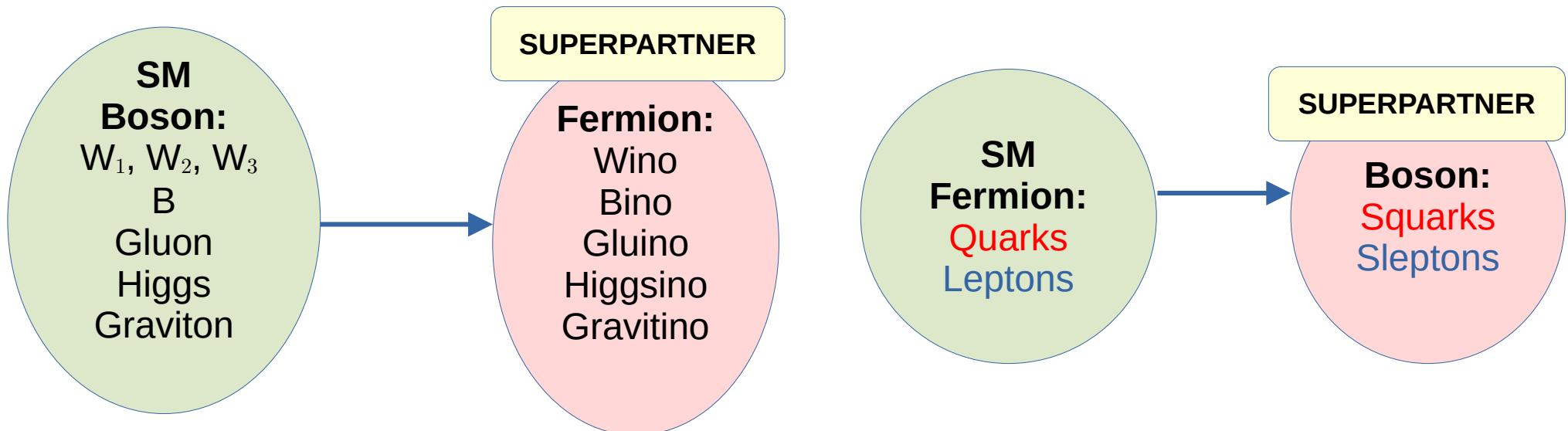
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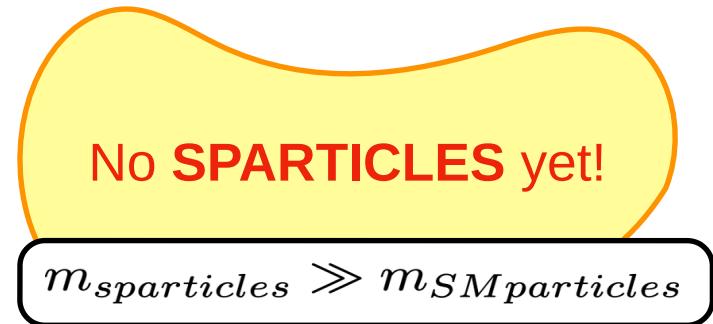
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Quadratic divergences must be canceled to stabilize the Higgs mass in the ultraviolet complete theory

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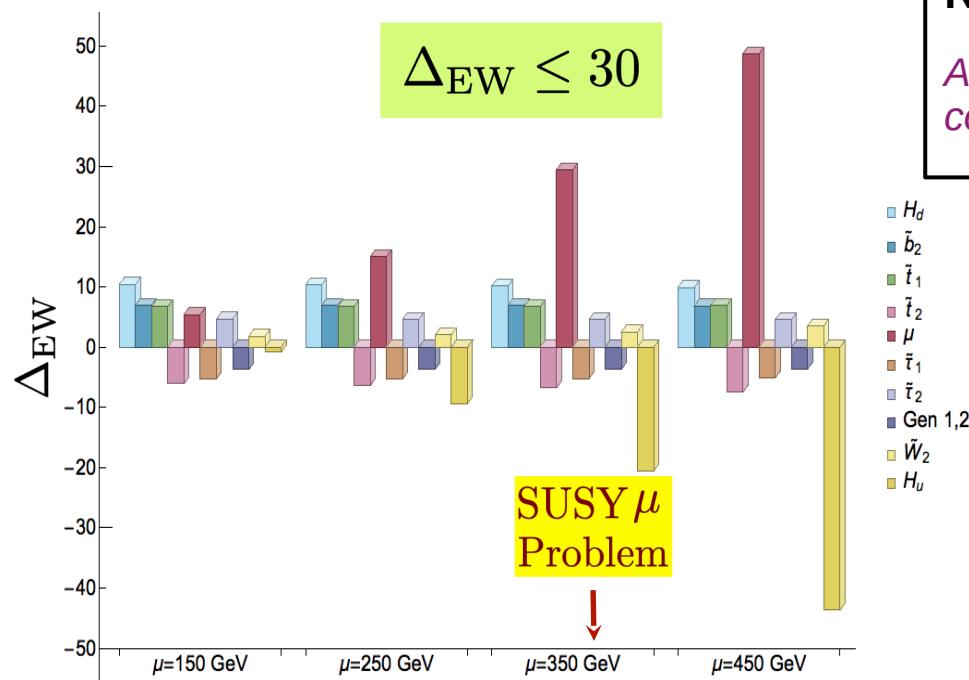
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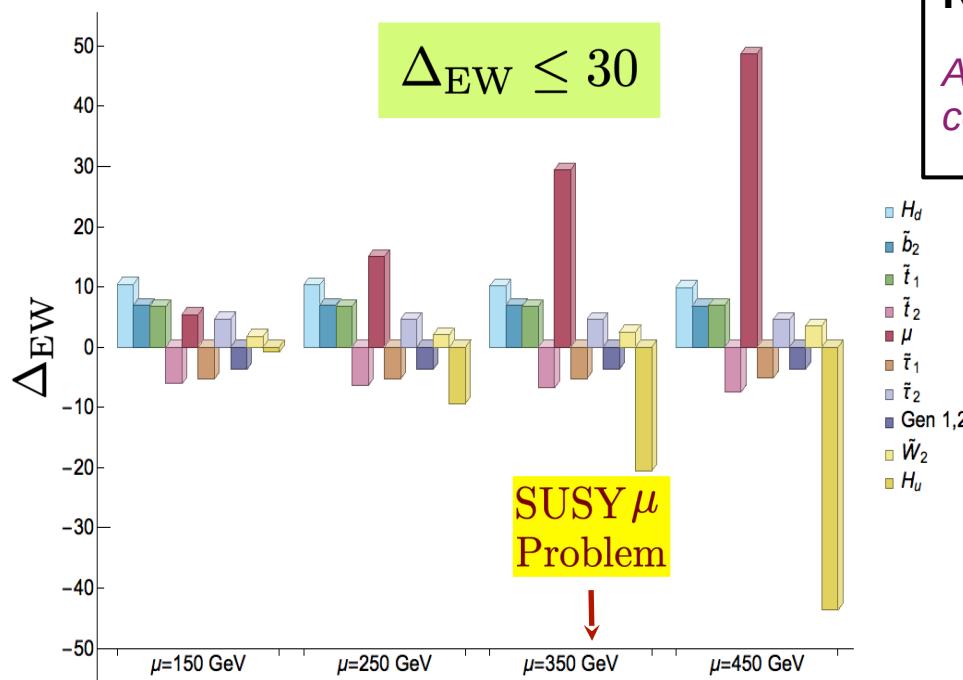
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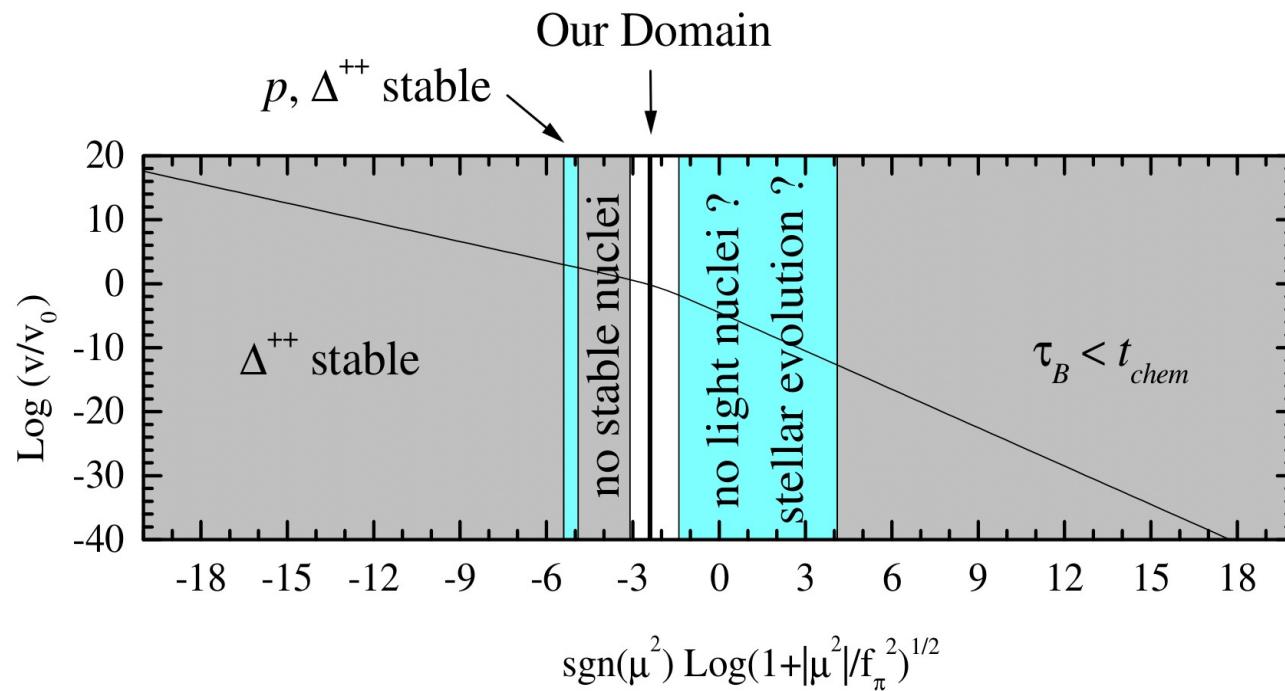
$$\mathcal{L}_{MSSM} \leftarrow \mu H_u H_d$$

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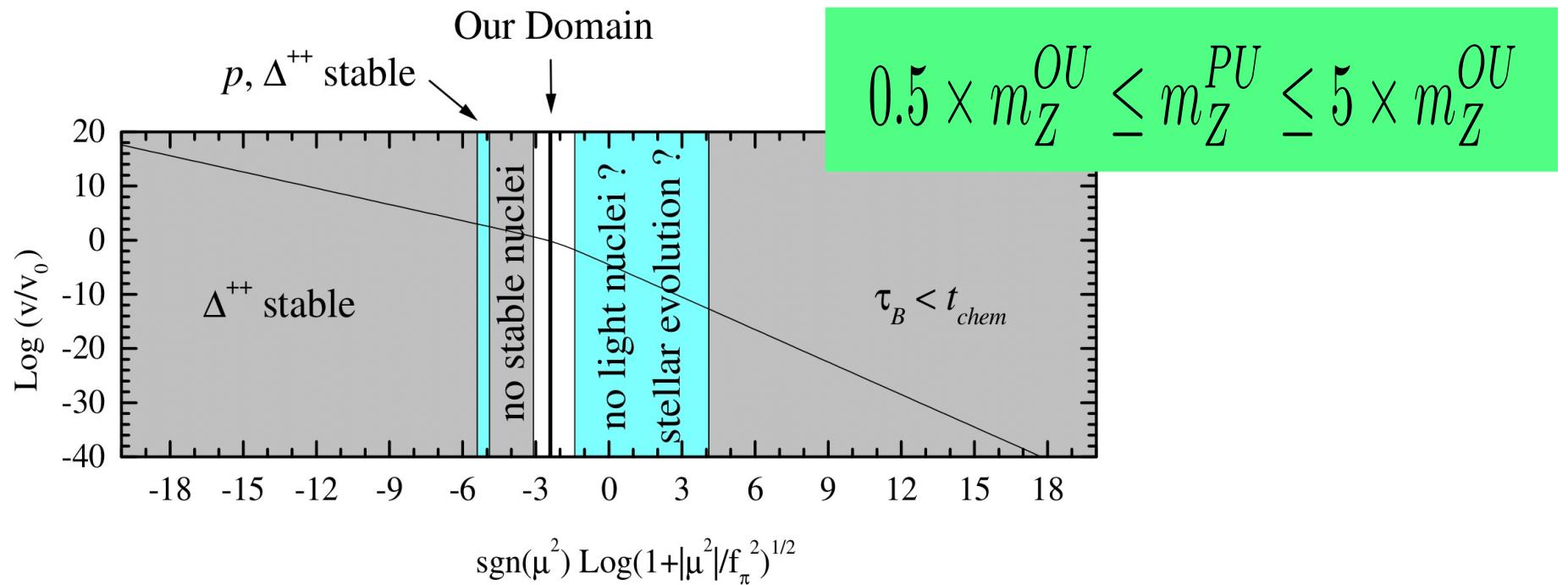
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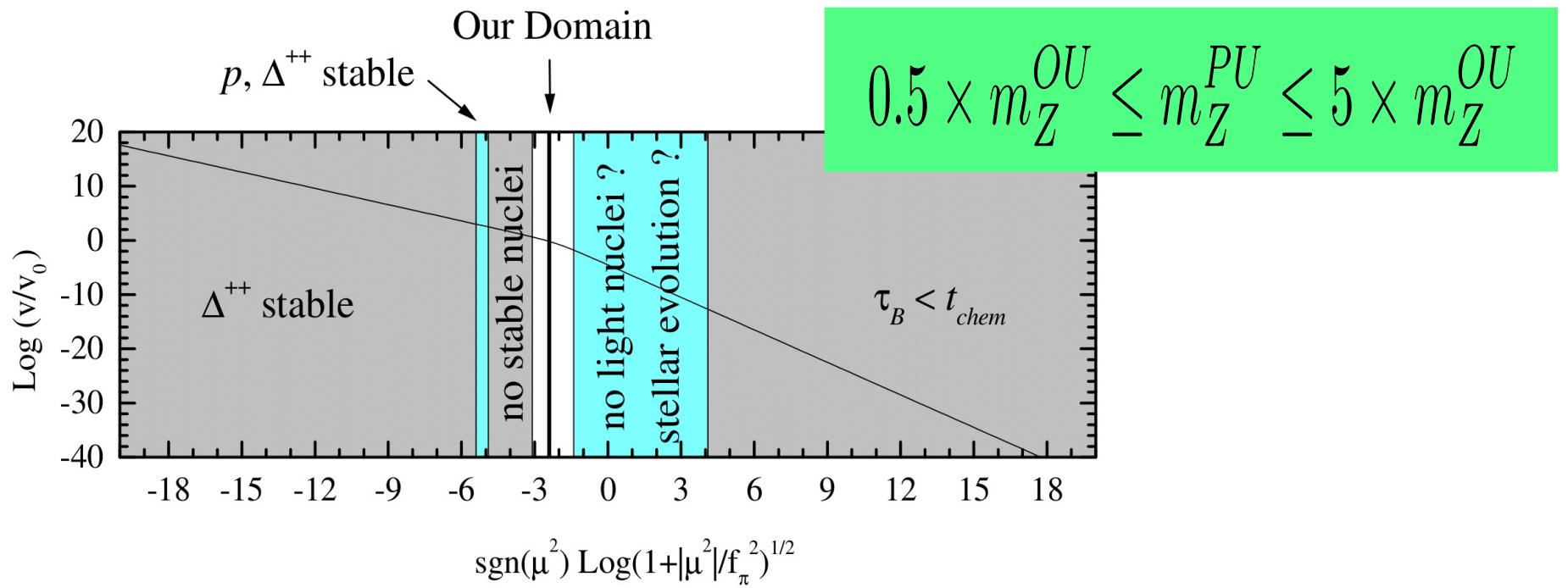
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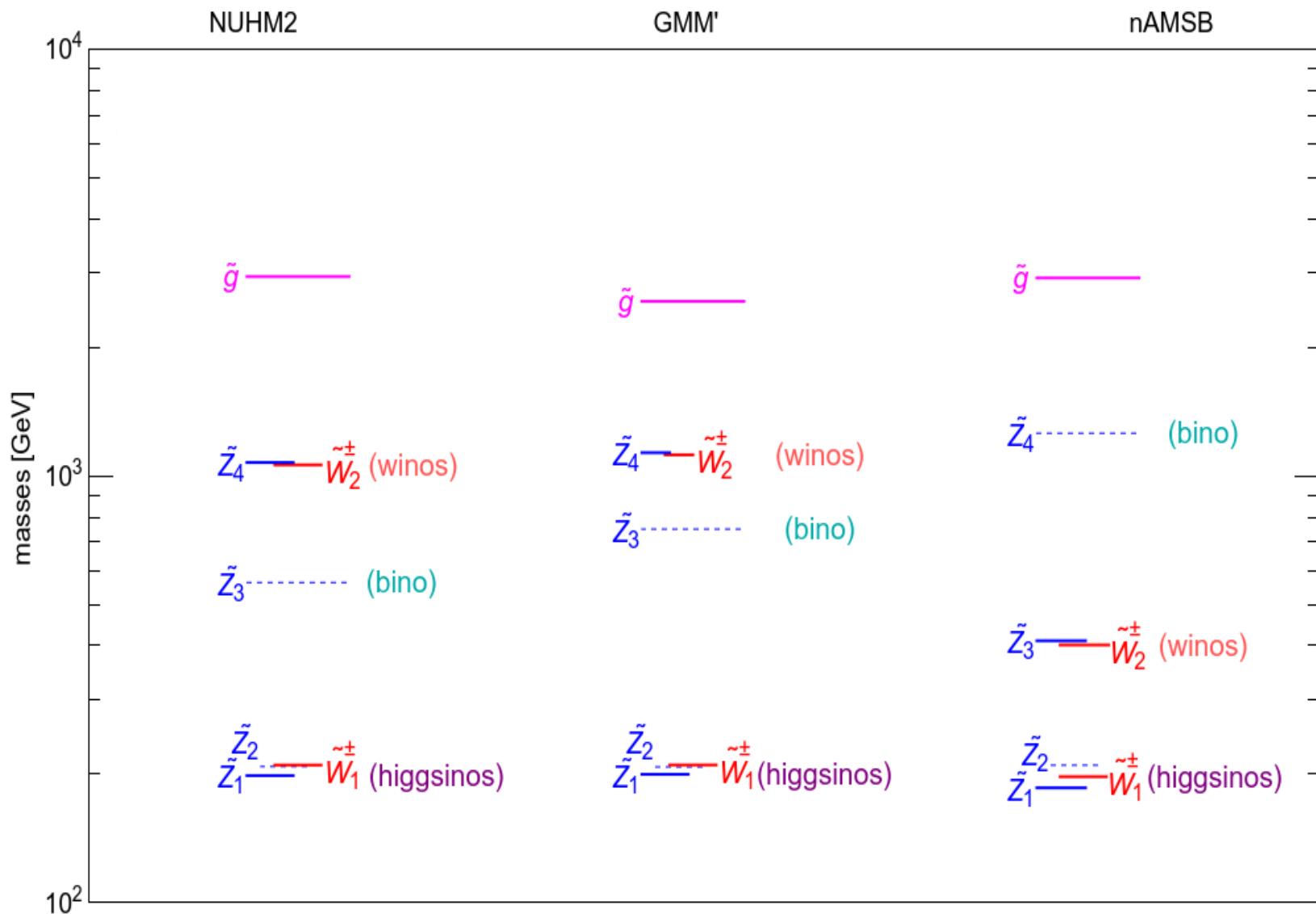
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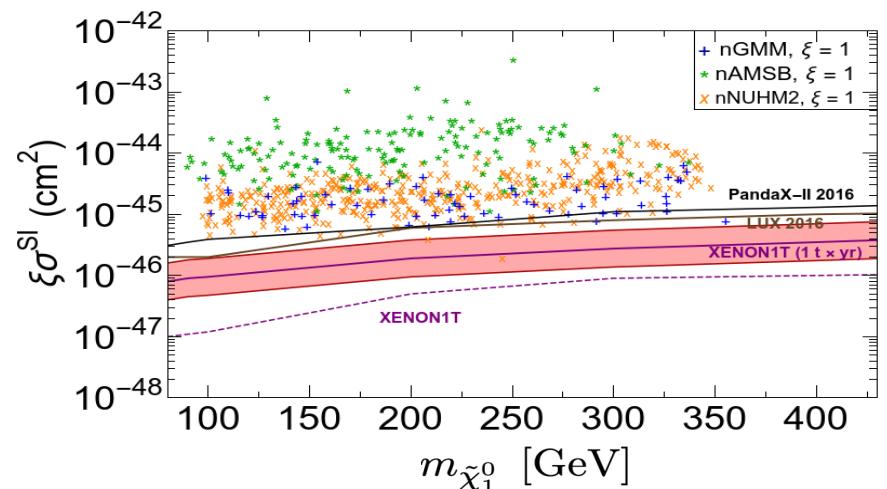
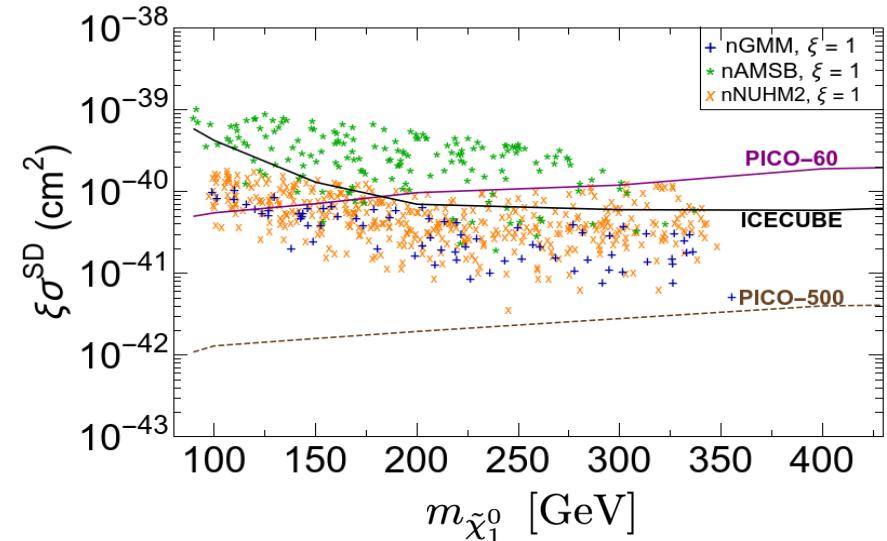
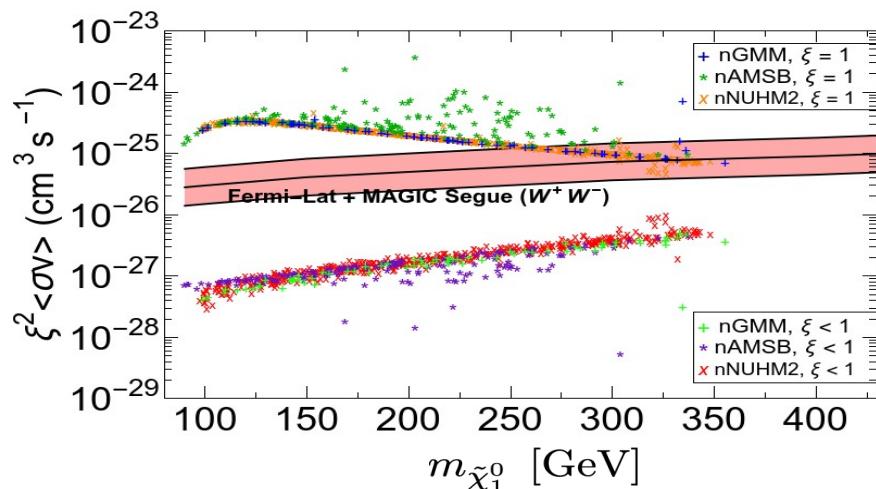
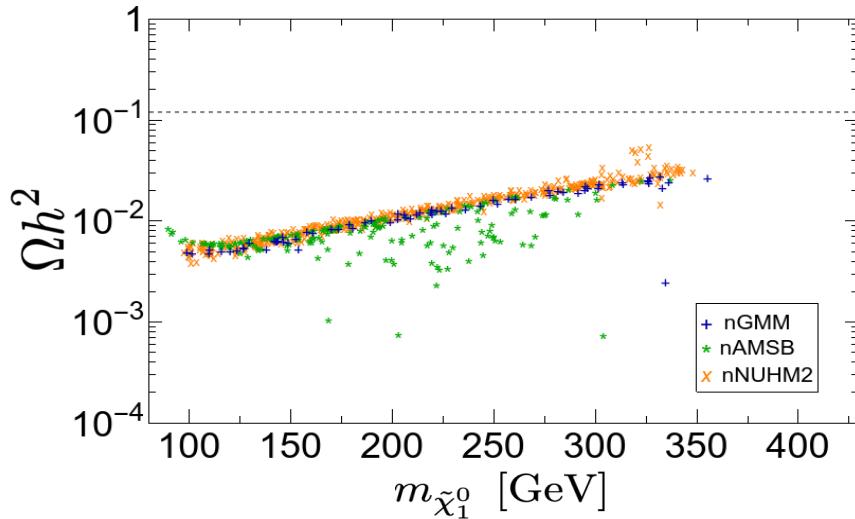
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Typical Mass Spectra of Natural SUSY Models



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♦ The Peccei-Quinn Solution

Adding axion a and a coupling f_a to the SM $\longrightarrow \mathcal{L} \supset (a/f_a + \bar{\theta}) \frac{1}{32\pi^2} F \tilde{F}$.

Axion follows an anomalous symmetry ($U(1)_{PQ}$):

$$a \rightarrow a + \alpha f_a \quad \bar{\theta} \rightarrow \bar{\theta} - \alpha$$

Axion Potential:

$$V = -m_\pi^2 f_\pi^2 \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_u m_d}{(m_u + m_d)^2} \sin^2 \left(\frac{a}{2f_a} + \frac{\bar{\theta}}{2} \right)}.$$

$$V \rightarrow V_{min} \text{ when } \langle a \rangle = -\bar{\theta} f_a$$

$$\text{Neutron electric dipole moment} \propto \frac{a}{f_a} + \bar{\theta} \longrightarrow 0$$

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Solution to Axion quality problem



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$$V = (\lambda_2 C \phi_X^2 \phi_Y^2 / m_P + h.c.) + m_X^2 |\phi_X|^2 + m_Y^2 |\phi_Y|^2 \longrightarrow \text{SSB Terms}$$

$$+ 4\lambda_2 |\phi_X \phi_Y|^2 / m_P^2 (|\phi_X|^2 + |\phi_Y|^2) \longrightarrow \text{F-Terms}$$

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Fundamental Symmetry: Z_{22} discrete gauge symmetry **SOLVES AQP !**

multiplet	Q	U^c	D^c	L	E^c	N^c	H_u	H_d	X	Y
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$$V = (\lambda_2 C \phi_X^2 \phi_Y^2 / m_P + h.c.) + m_X^2 |\phi_X|^2 + m_Y^2 |\phi_Y|^2 \rightarrow \text{SSB Terms}$$

$$+ 4\lambda_2 |\phi_X \phi_Y|^2 / m_P^2 (|\phi_X|^2 + |\phi_Y|^2) \rightarrow \text{F-Terms}$$

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ORIGINATES FROM CONDENSATION OF A FIELD OF CHARGE $22e \rightarrow$ HIGHLY IMPLAUSIBLE

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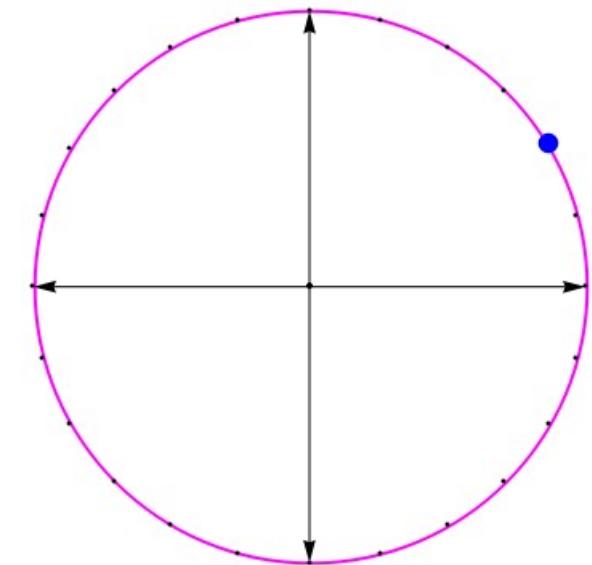
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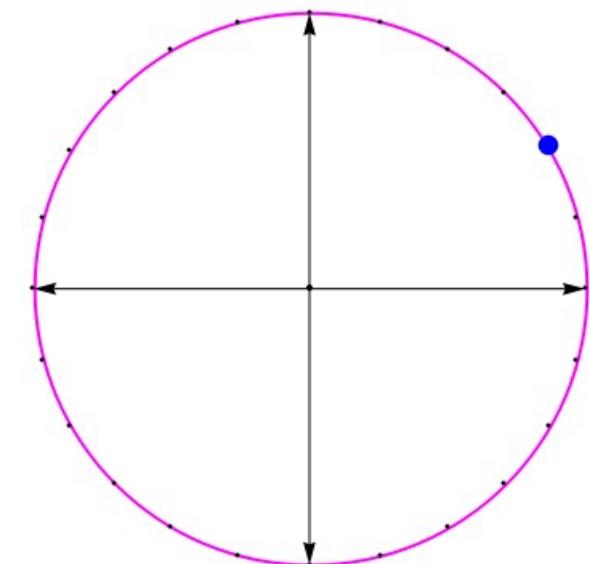
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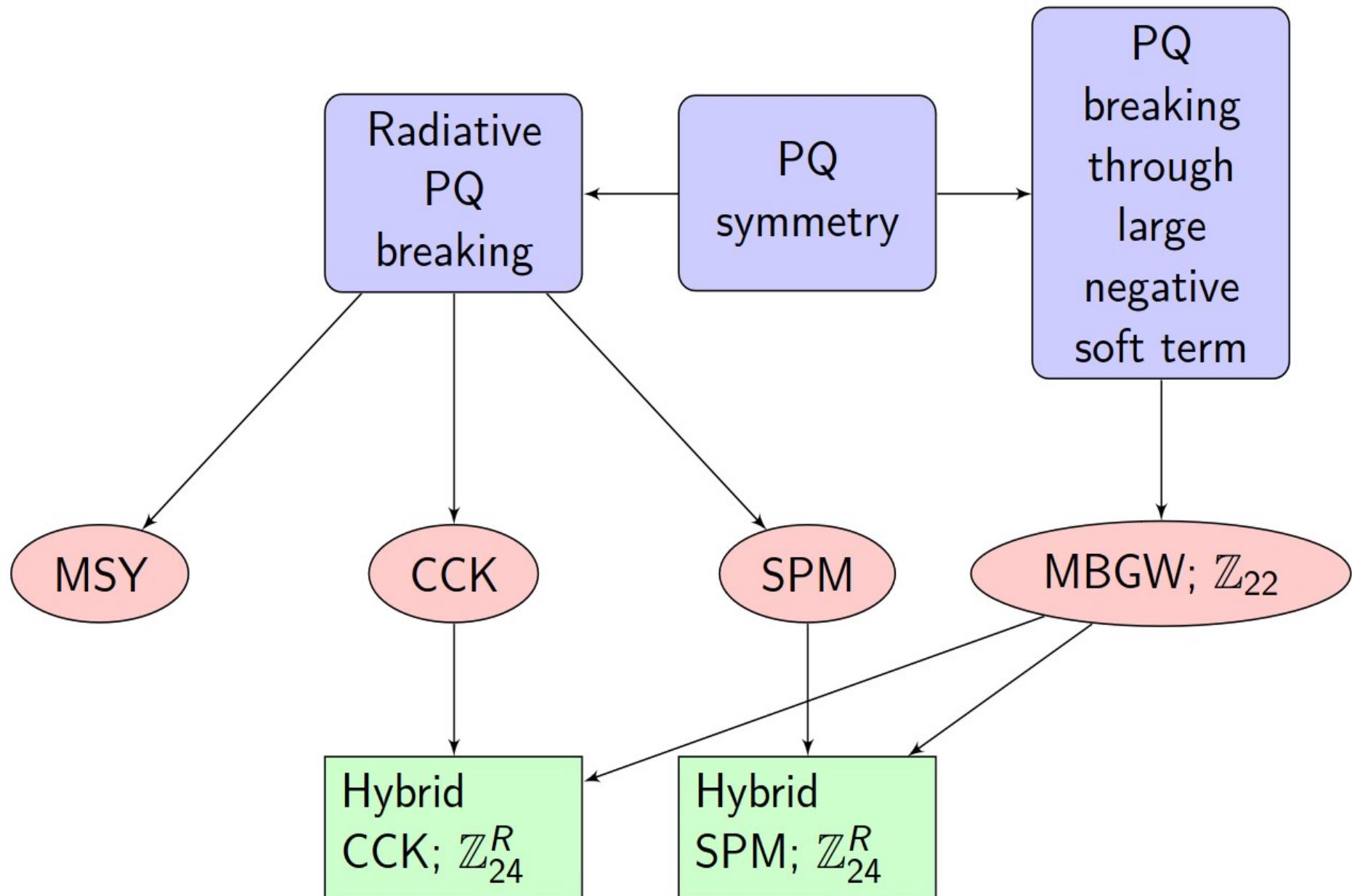
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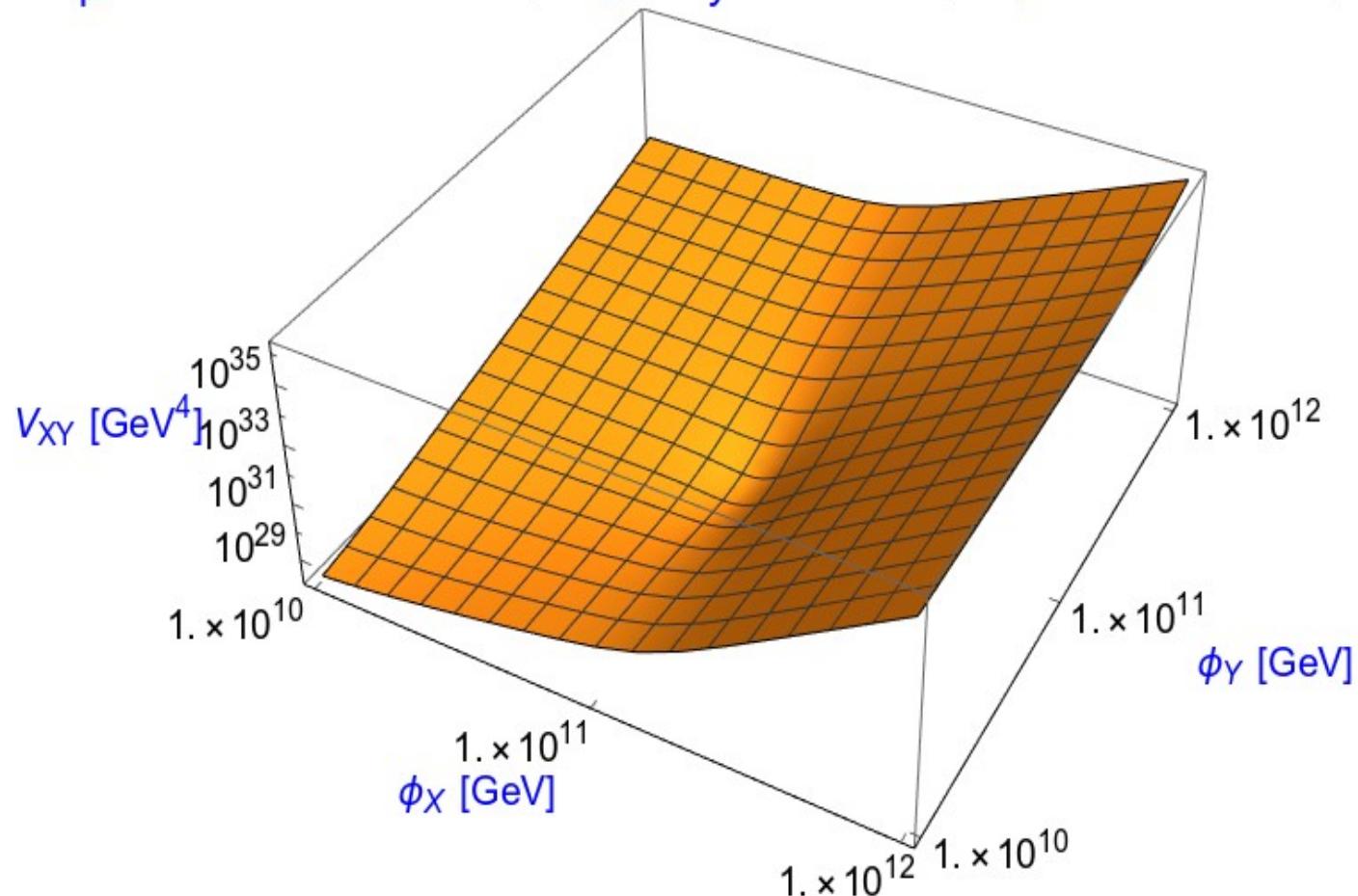
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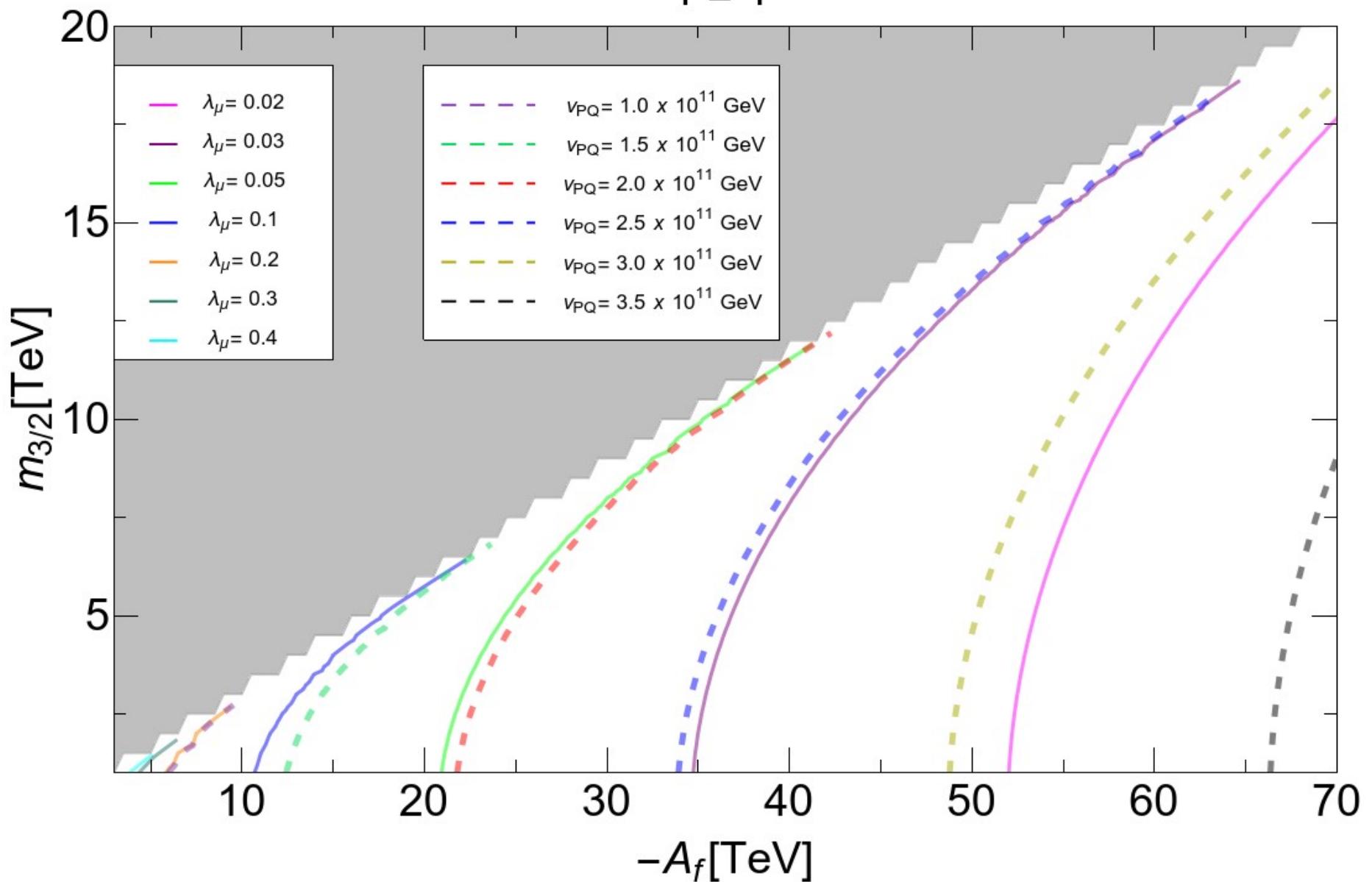
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$M_{\text{pl}} = 2.4 \times 10^{18} \text{ GeV}$, $m_x = m_y = 10 \text{ TeV}$, $A_f = -35.5 \text{ TeV}$, $f = 1$

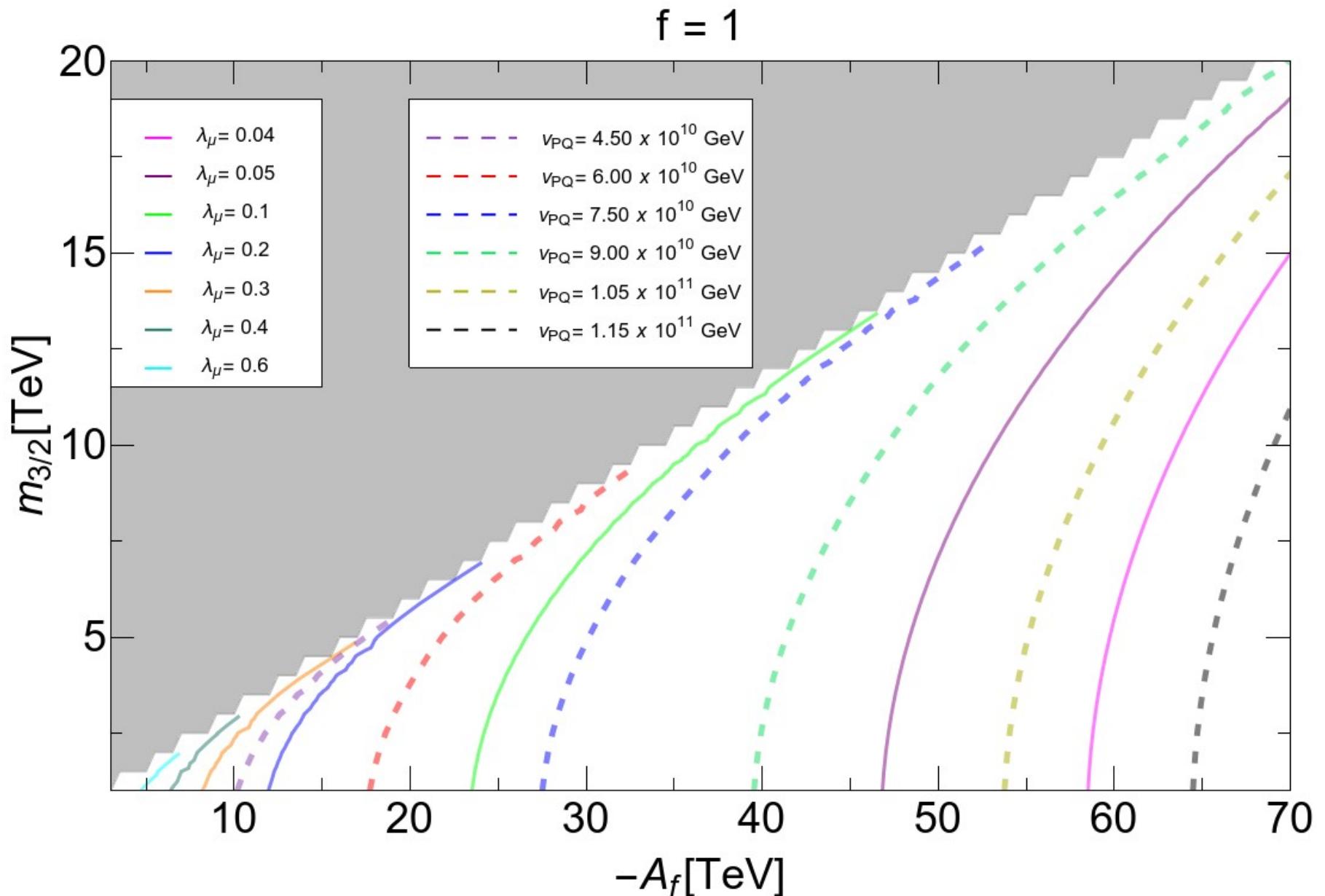


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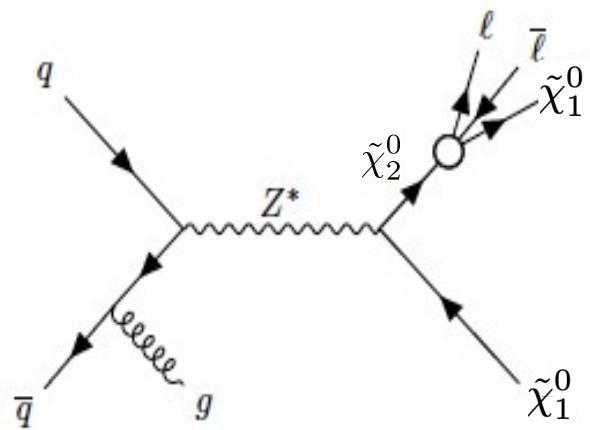


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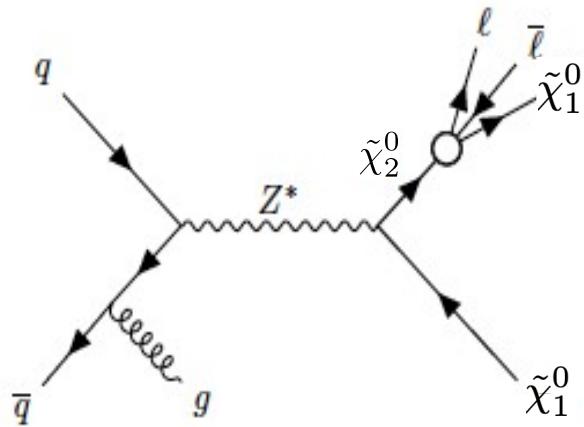
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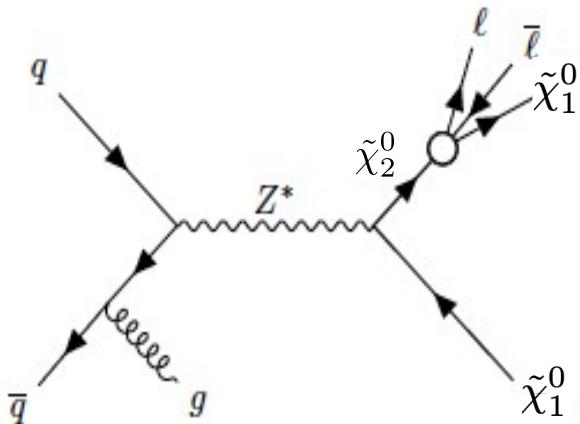


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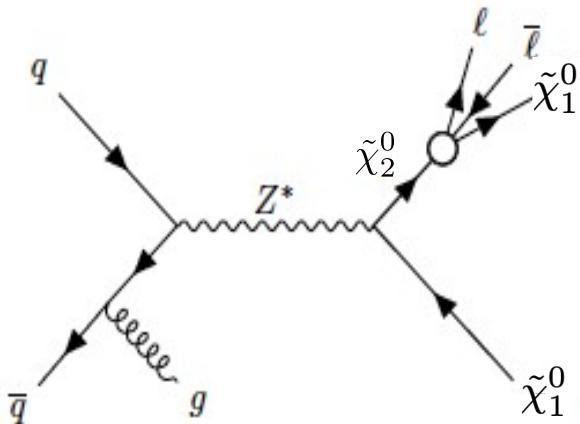
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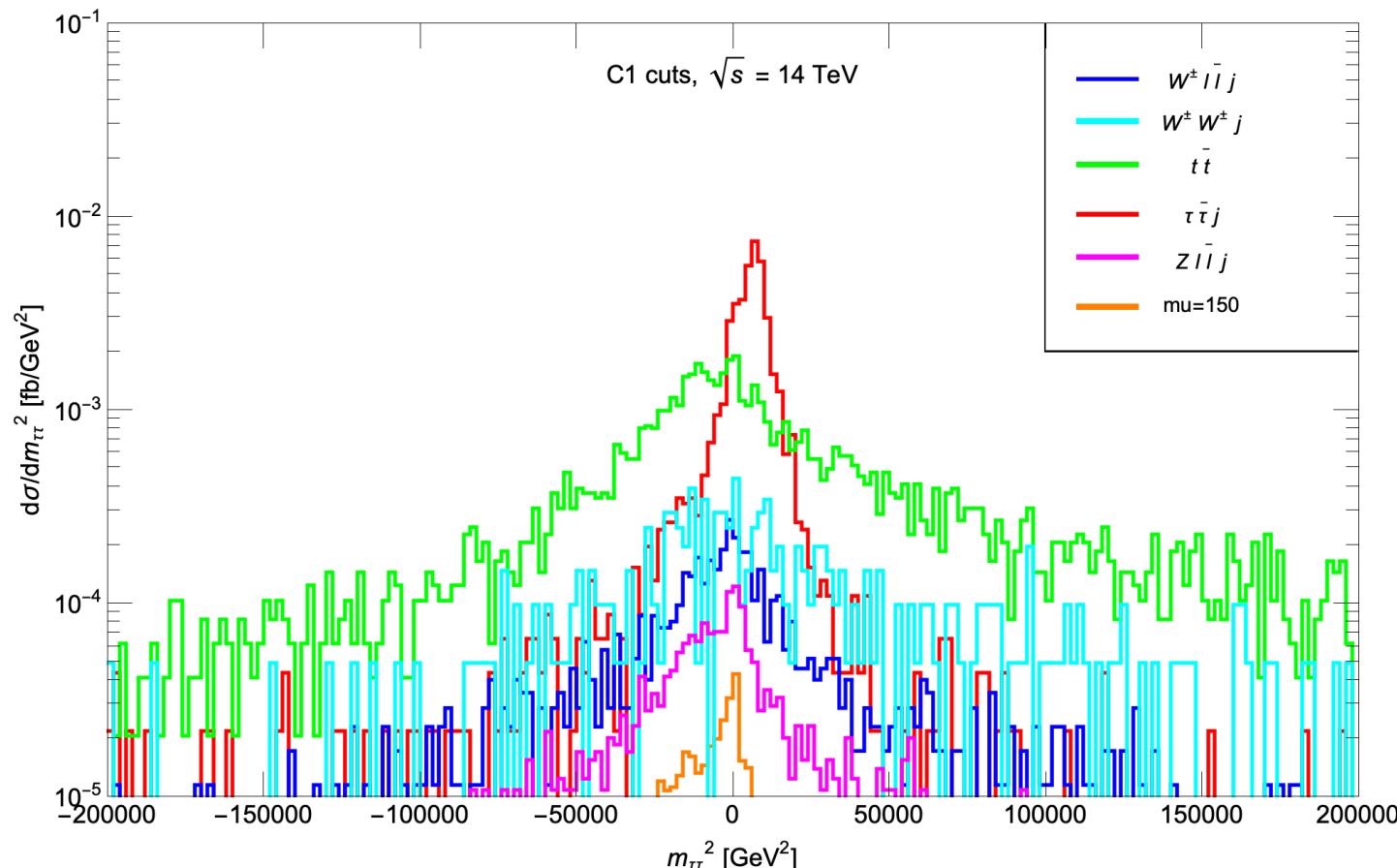
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- require two OS/SF isolated leptons with $p_T(\ell) > 5 \text{ GeV}$,
 $|\eta(\ell)| < 2.5$,
- $n(jets) \geq 1$ with $p_T(j1) > 100 \text{ GeV}$ for identified calorimeter jets,
- $\Delta R(\ell\bar{\ell}) > 0.05$ (for $\ell = e$ or μ),
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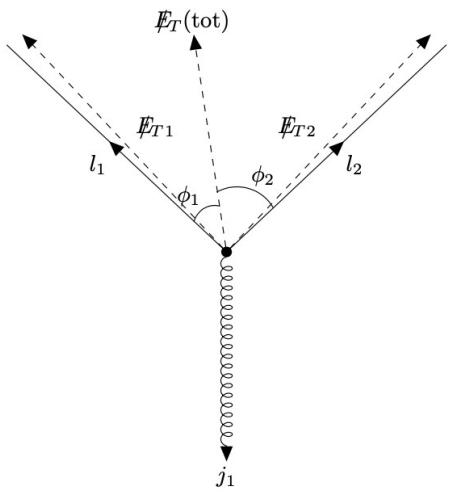
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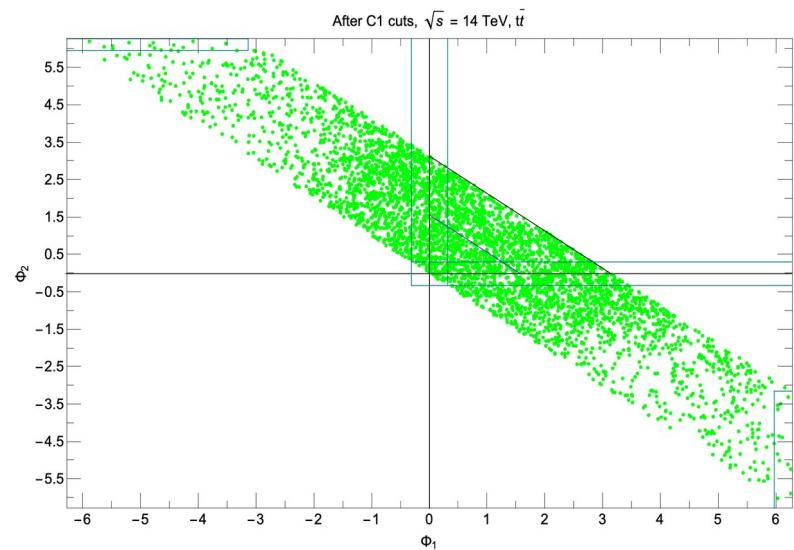
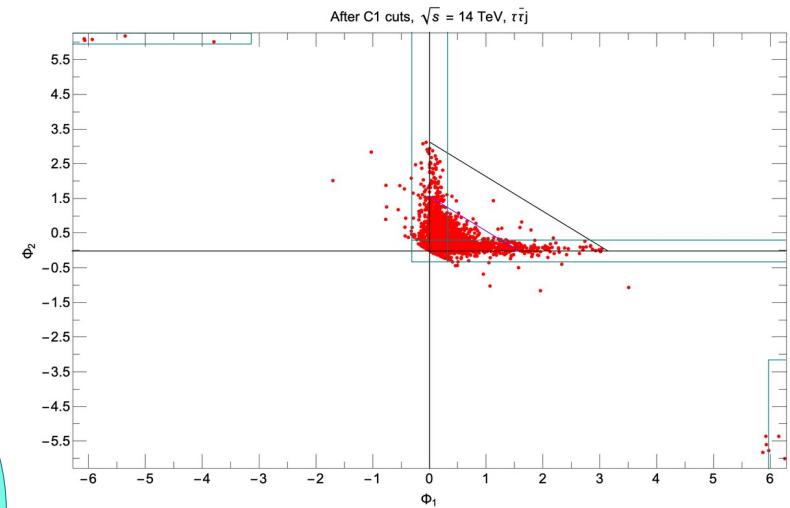
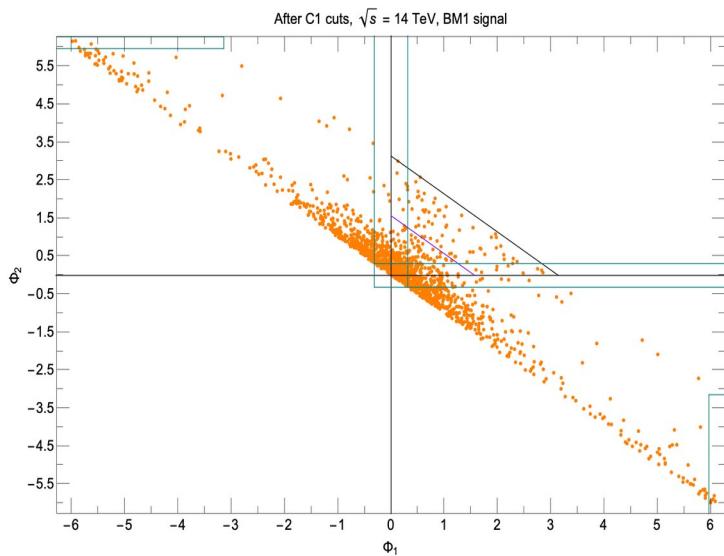
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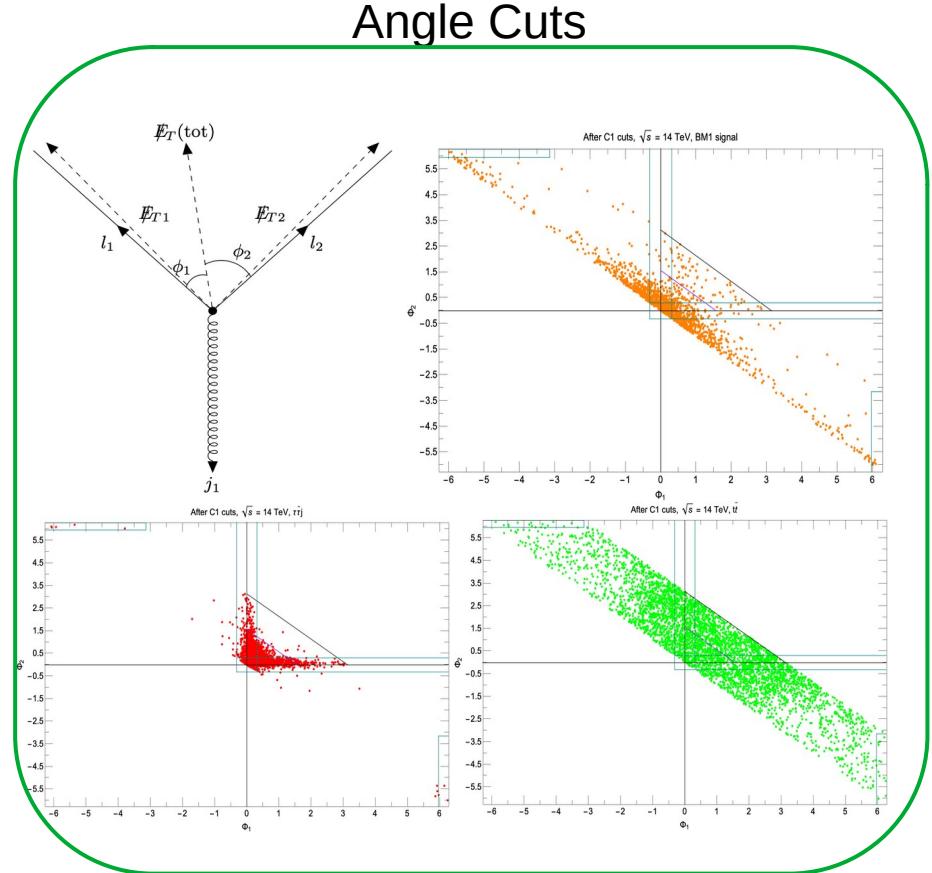
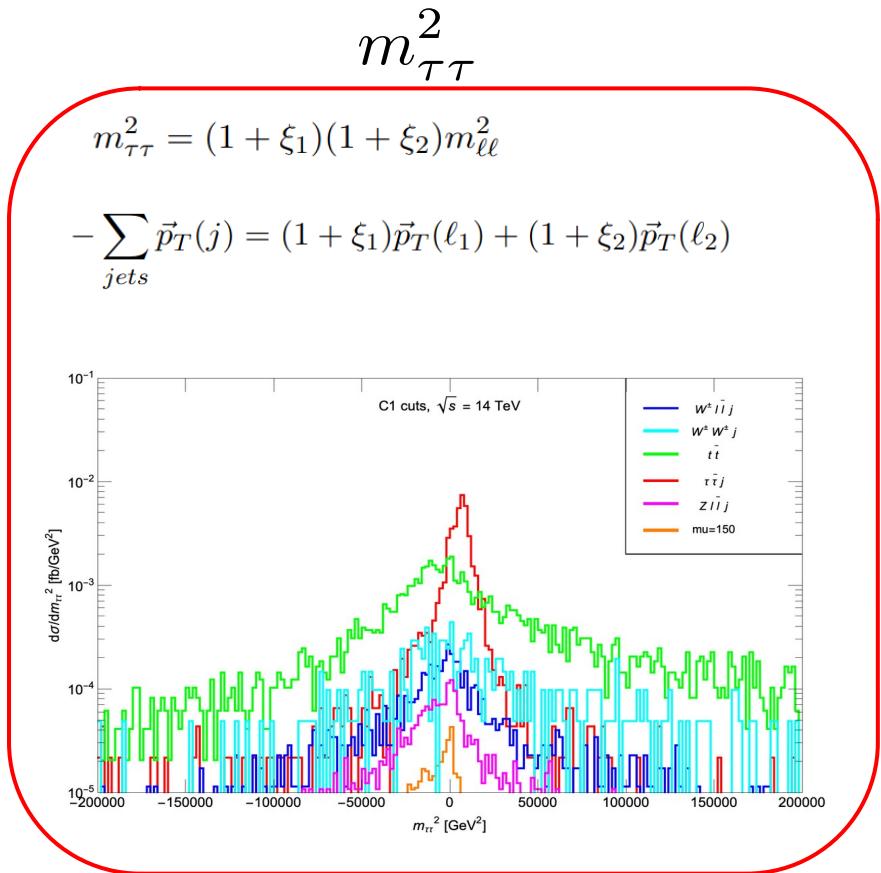
Veto: $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 > 0,$
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cuts/process	BM1	BM2	BM3 <i>GMM</i>	$\tau\bar{\tau} j$	$t\bar{t}$	$WW j$	$W\ell\bar{\ell} j$	$Z\ell\bar{\ell} j$
<i>BC</i>	83.1	9.3	31.3	43800.0	41400	9860.0	1150.0	311
<i>C1</i>	1.2	0.19	0.07	94.2	179	35.9	14.7	5.9
<i>C1 + $m_{\tau\tau}^2 < 0$</i>	0.92	0.13	0.043	23.1	75.6	12.8	7.7	3.2
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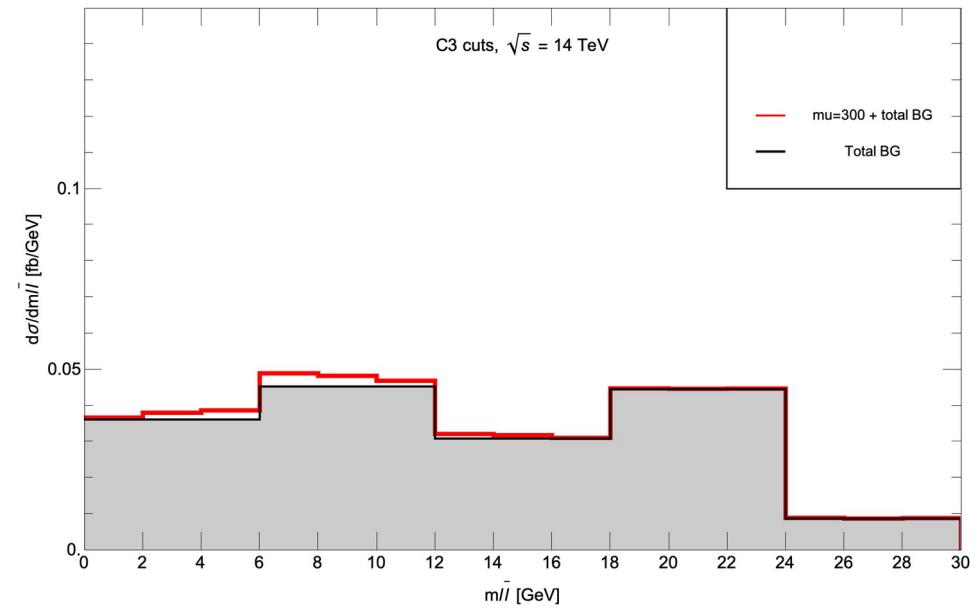
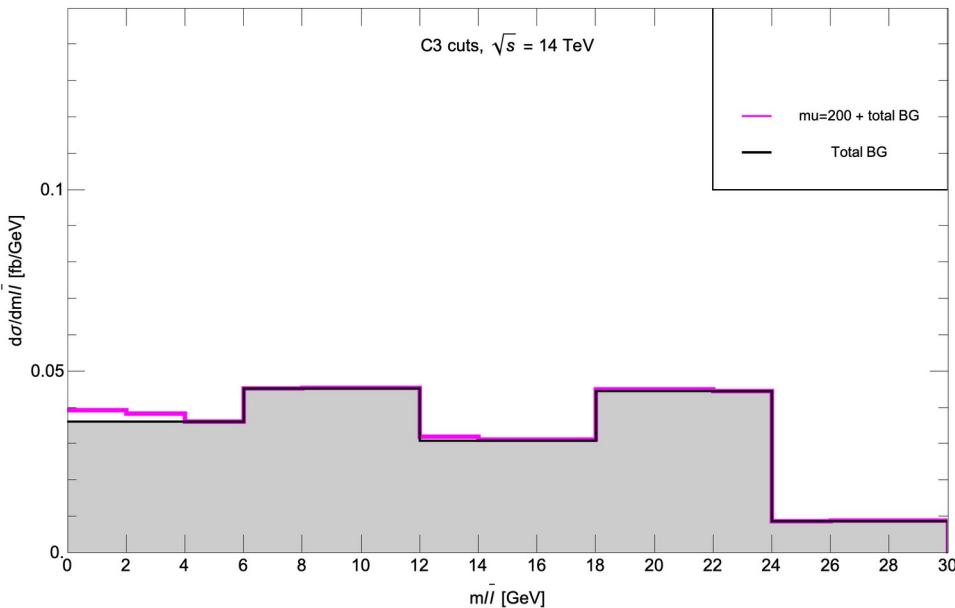
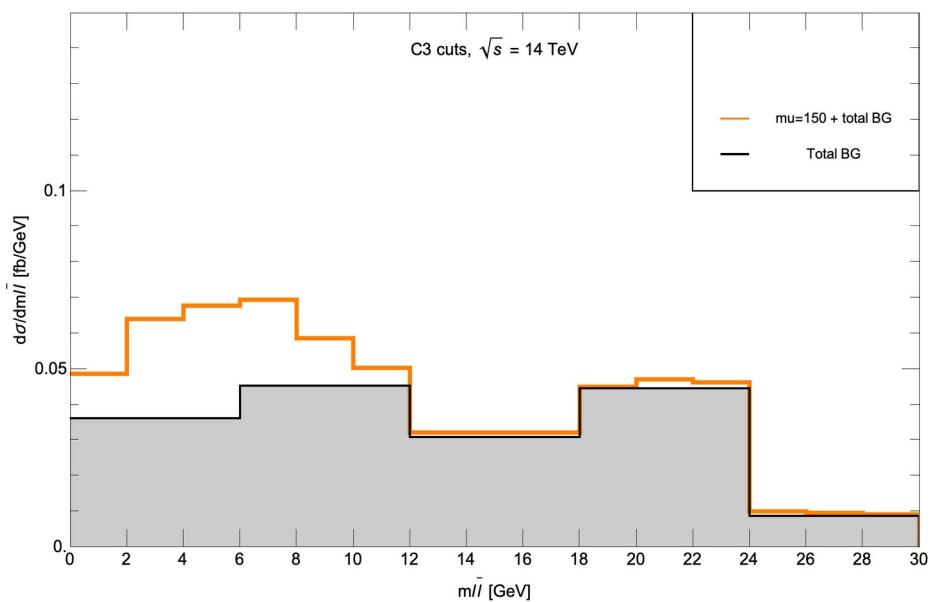
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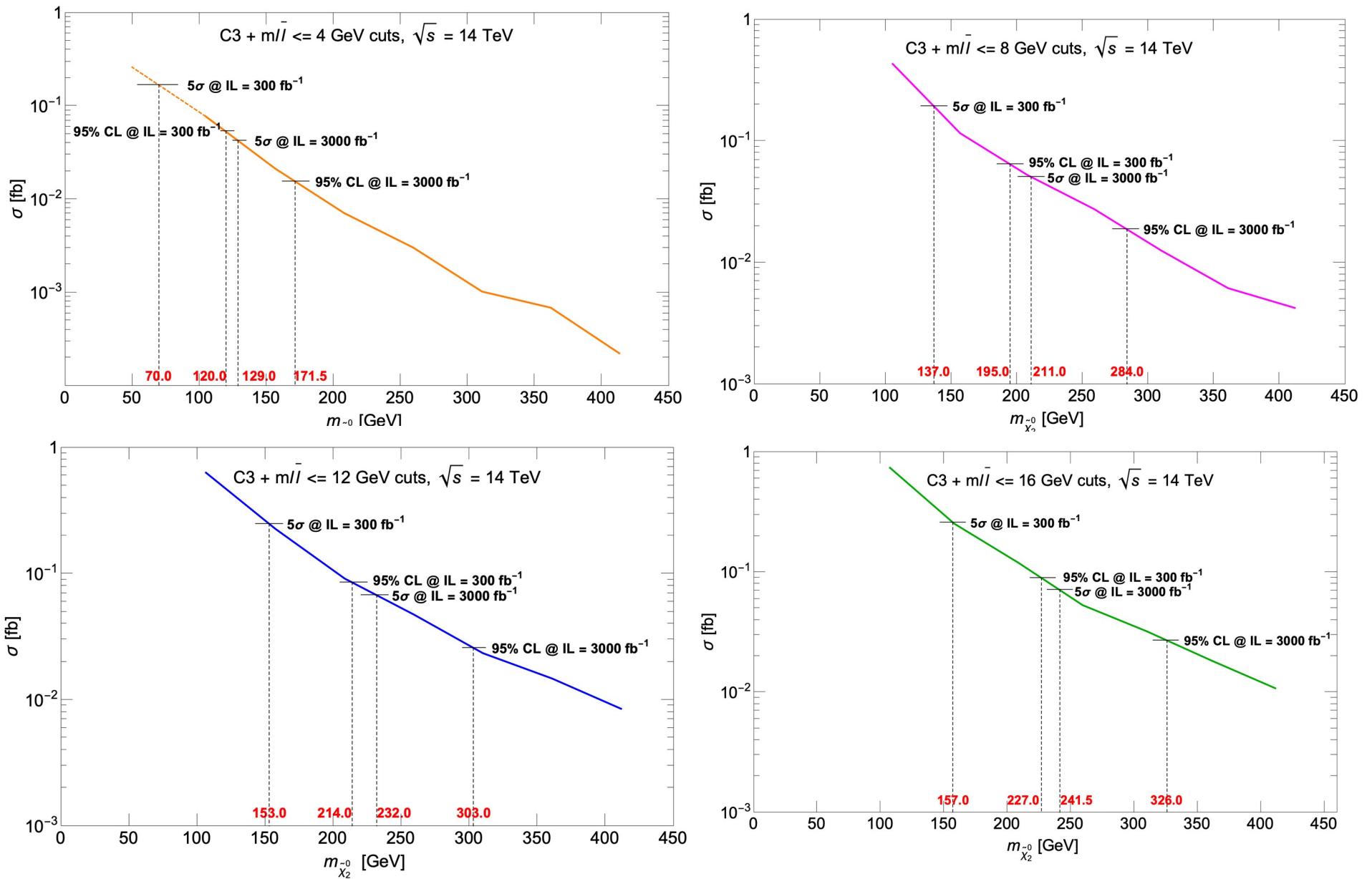
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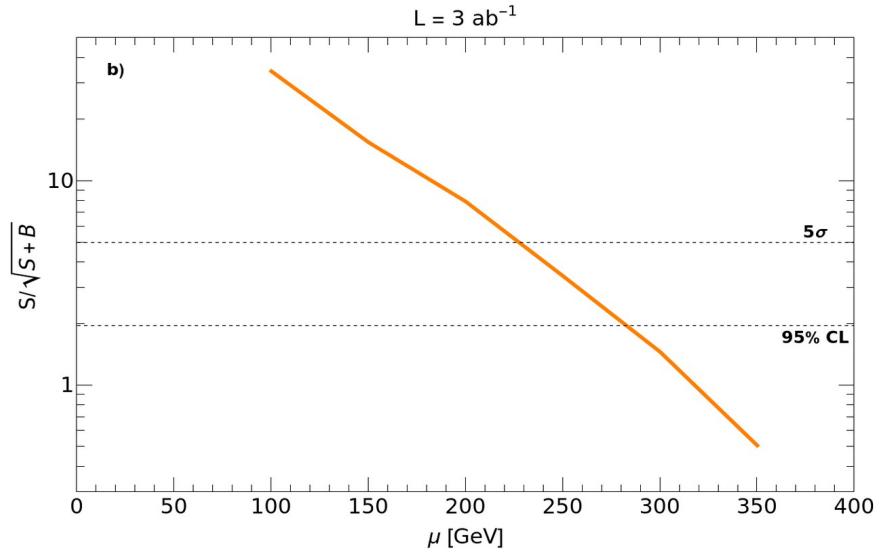
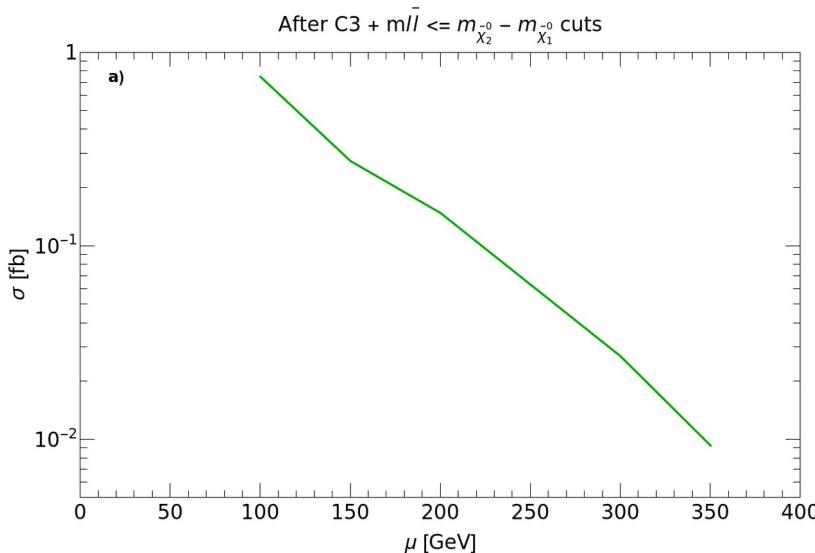
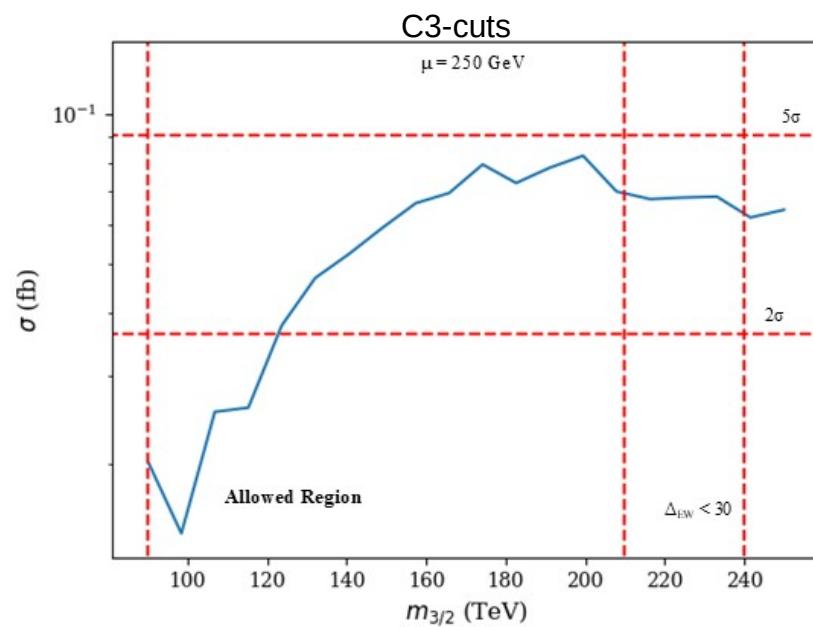
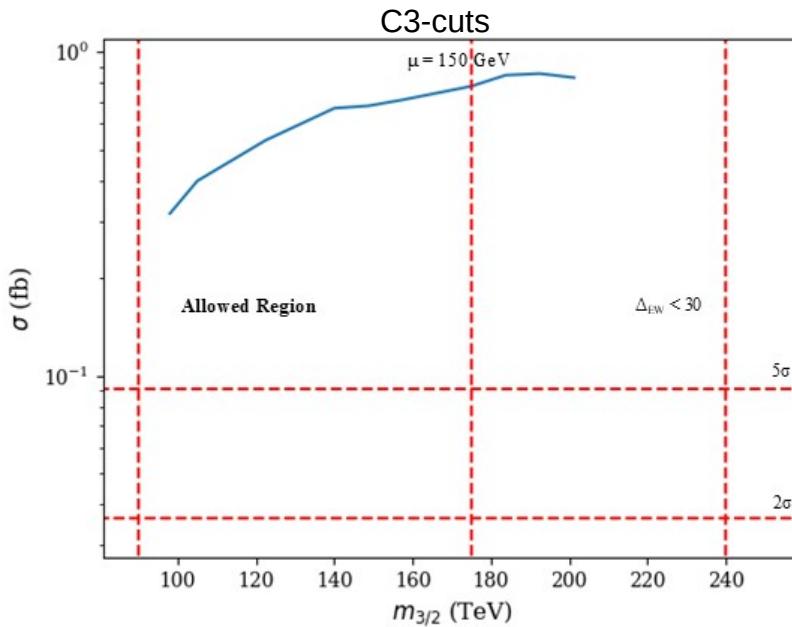


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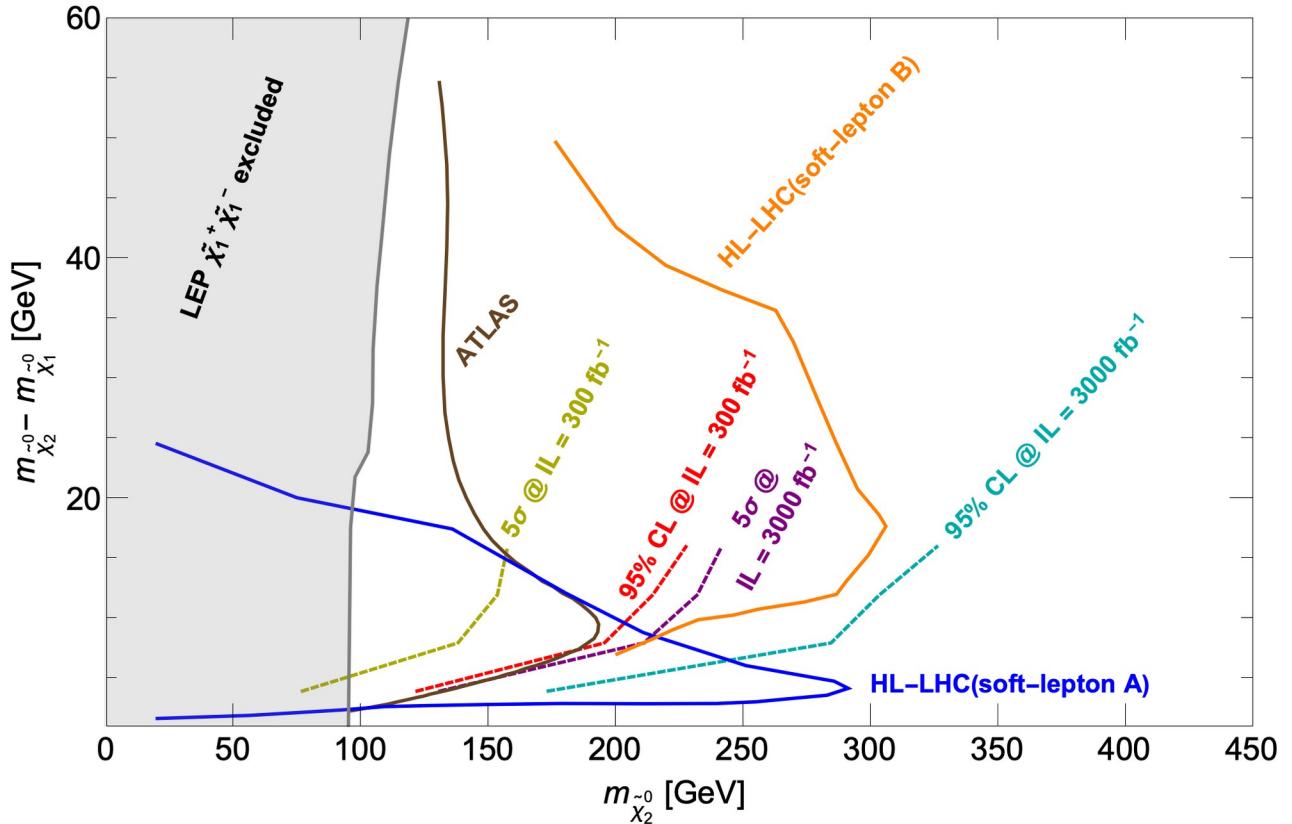
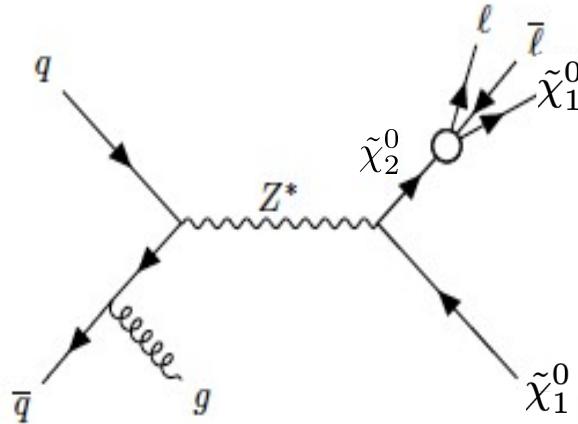


Mass Reach (nAMSB model)

Model Line: $m_0(3) = m_{3/2}/35, m_0(1,2) = 2m_0(3), A_0 = 1.2m_0(3), \tan\beta = 10, m_A = 2\text{TeV}$



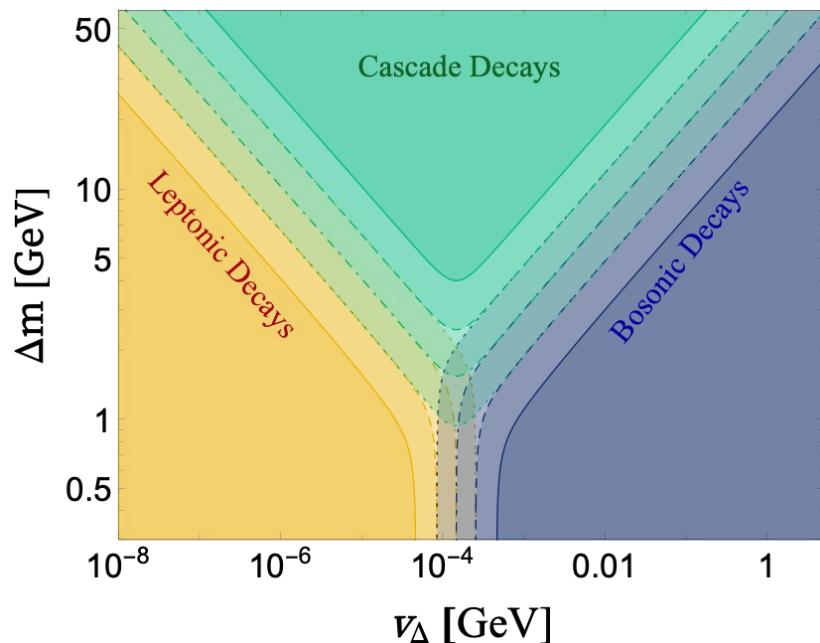
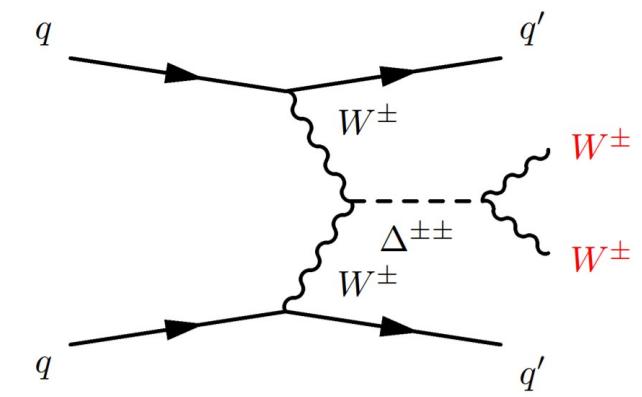
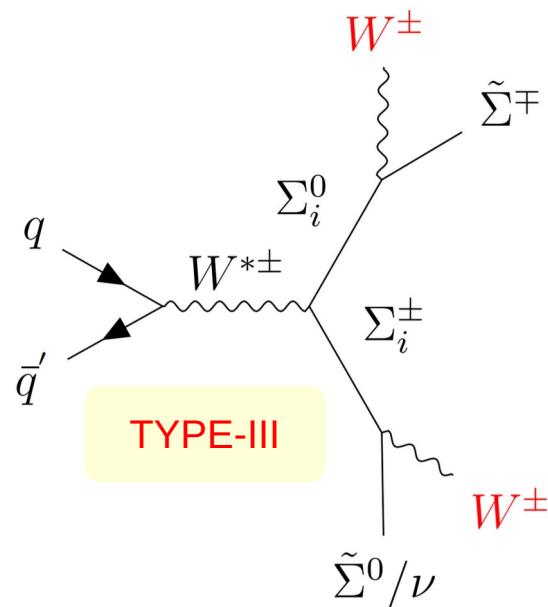
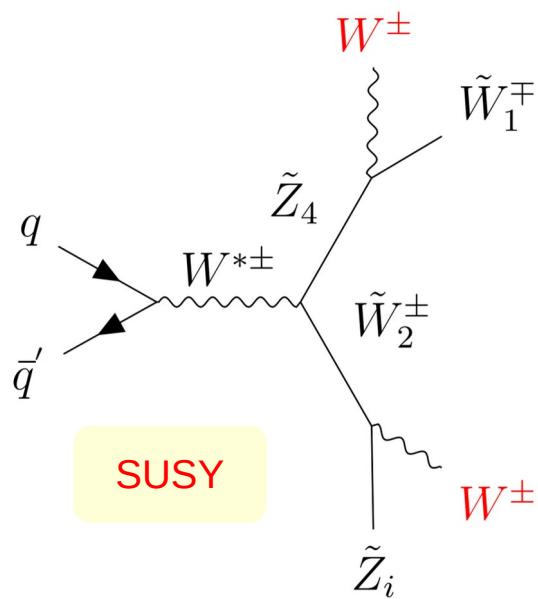
Higgsino Pair-Production at LHC



Natural SUSY: Higgsinos at $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$ and $\mathcal{L} = 3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$

Snowmass report in 2021

Same-Sign Diboson + \cancel{E}_T



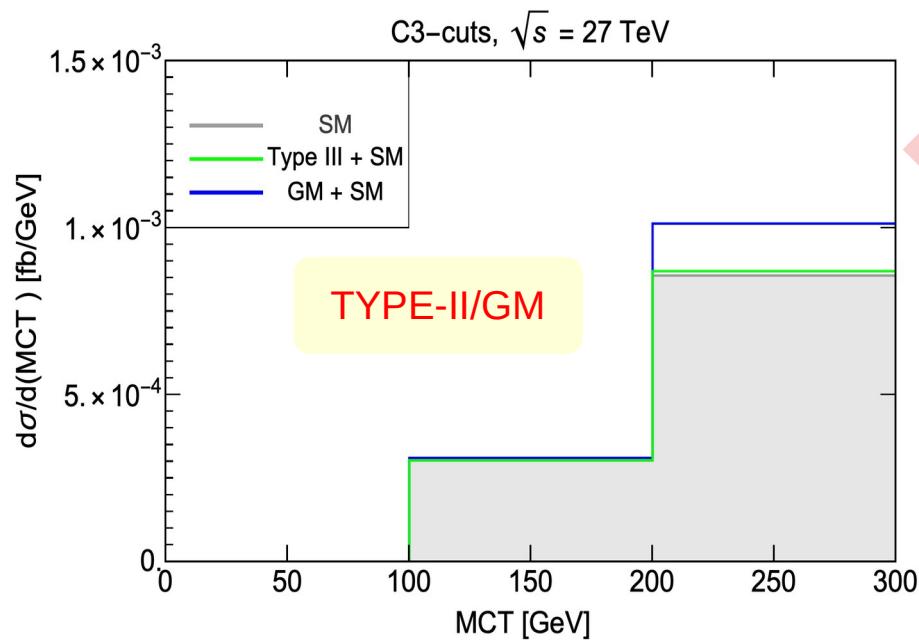
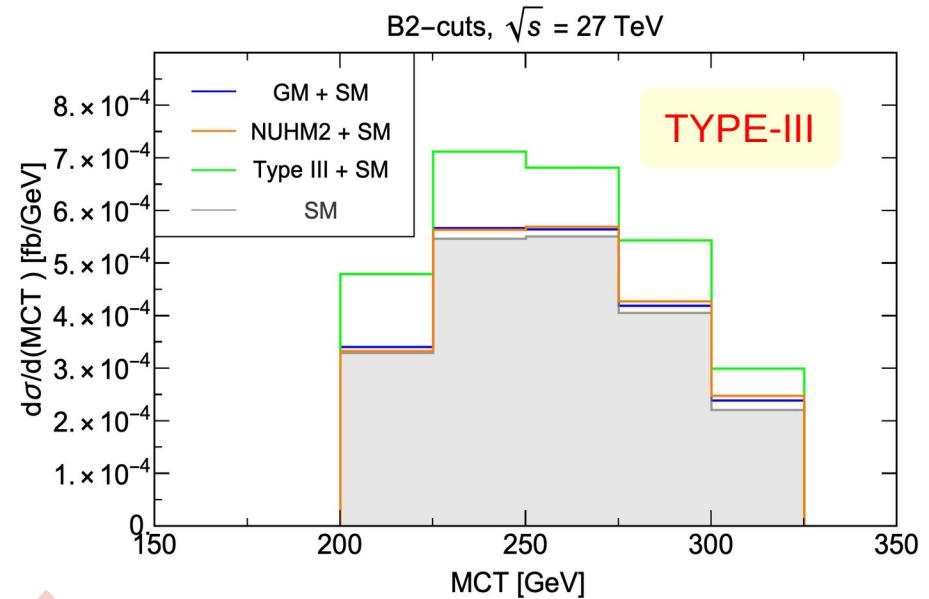
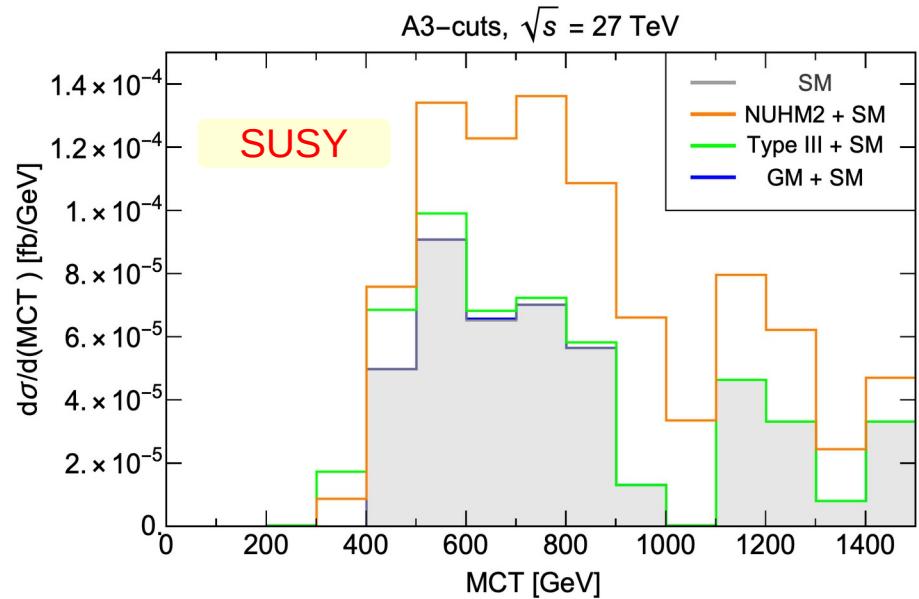
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Natural SUSY: Wino pair production

Type - III Seesaw model: Associated production of 2nd/3rd generation Σ^\pm and Σ^0

Type - II Seesaw model/ Georgi-Machacek model: Production of $\Delta^{\pm\pm}$ via vector boson fusion

Same-Sign Diboson + \cancel{E}_T



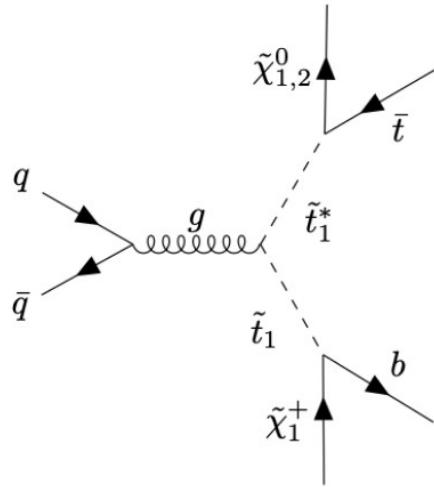
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Natural SUSY: Winos at $\sqrt{s} = 27 \text{ TeV}$ and $\mathcal{L} = 3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$

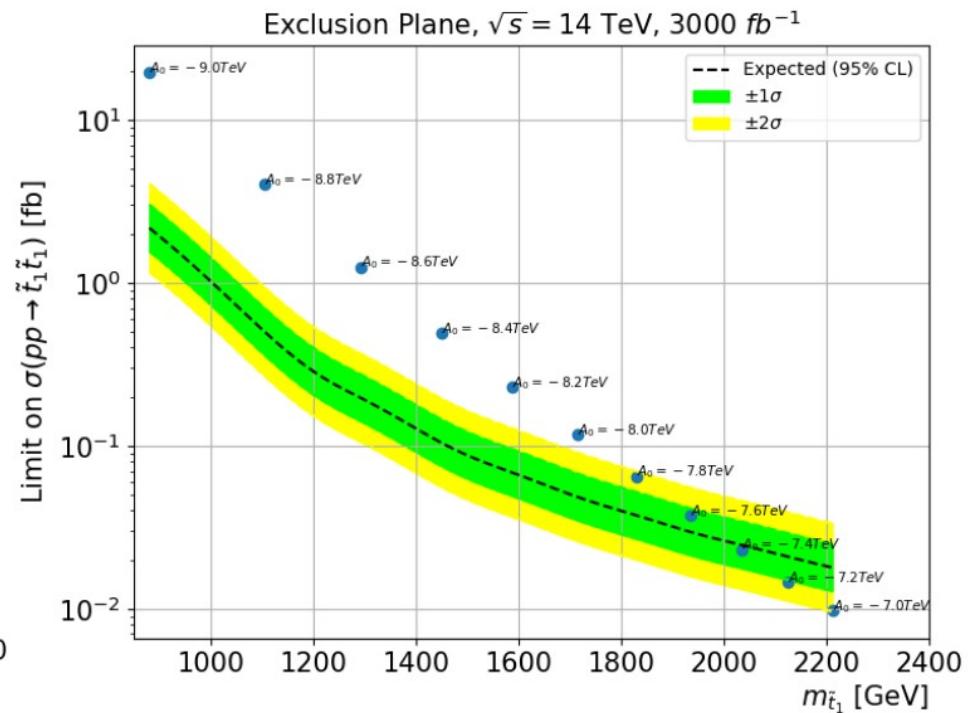
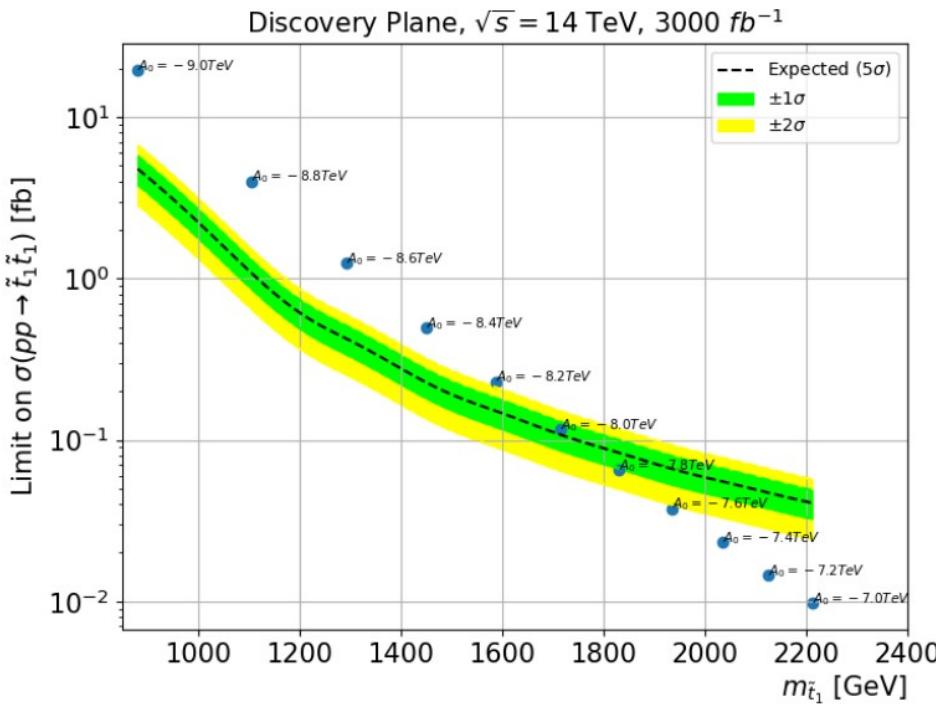
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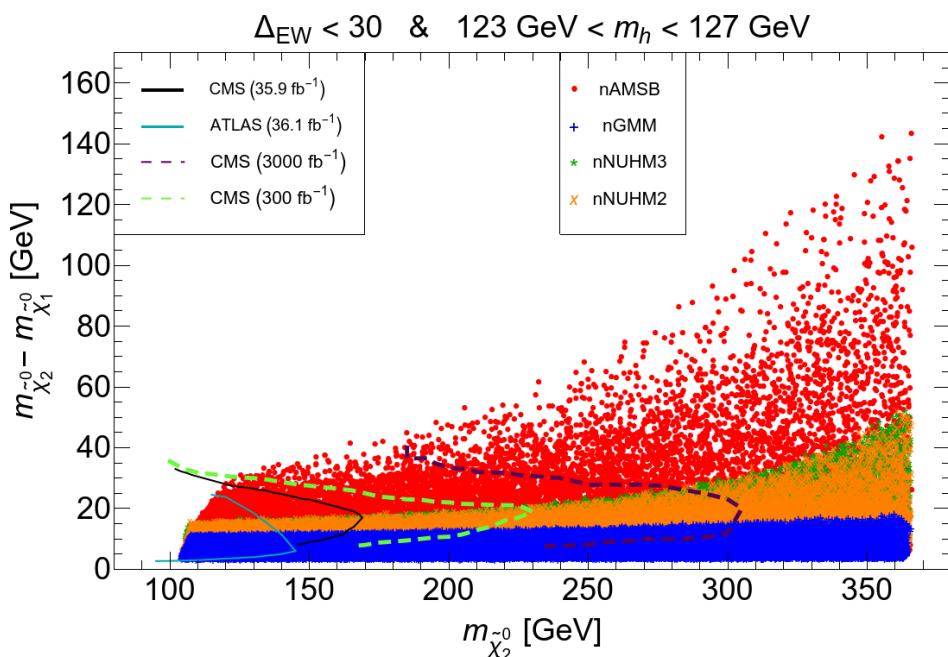
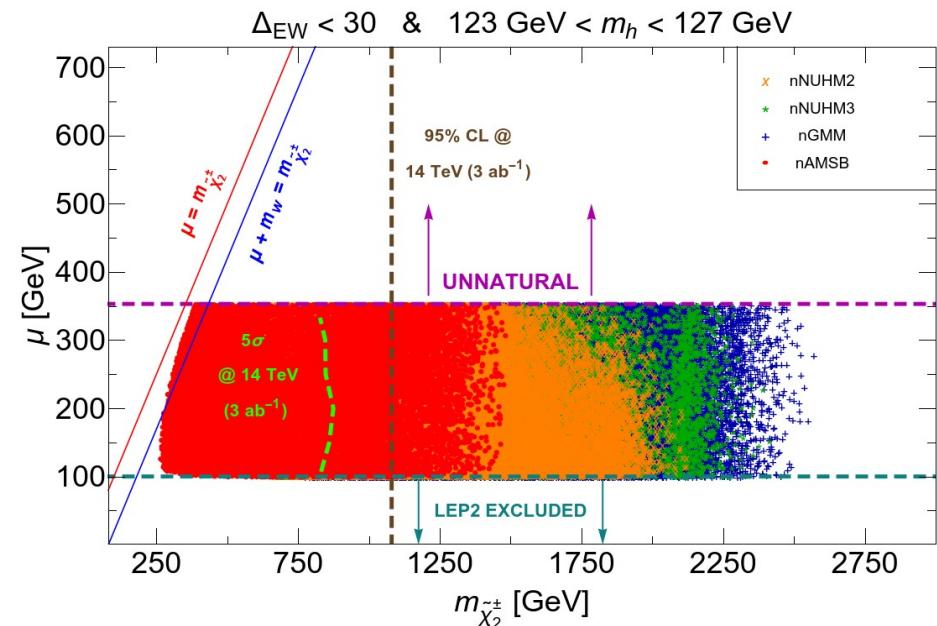
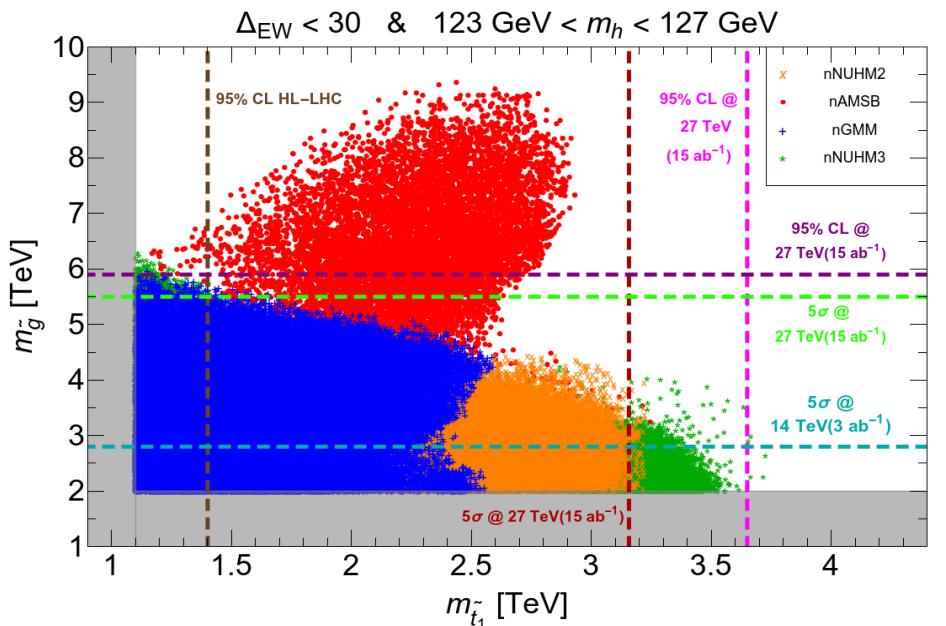
Top squark searches



Model Line: $m_0 = 5 \text{ TeV}$, $m_{1/2} = 1.2 \text{ TeV}$, $\tan \beta = 10$,
 $\mu = 250 \text{ GeV}$, $m_A = 2 \text{ TeV}$,
 $A_0 = -7 \text{ TeV}$ to -9 TeV



LHC Confronts SUSY



Exploration of Parameter Space of Natural
Supersymmetric models

Higgsinos at HL-LHC

Gluinos and top squarks and winos at HE-LHC

European strategy update report in 2018

Phenomenology

Natural SUSY: Higgsinos at $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$ and $\mathcal{L} = 3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$

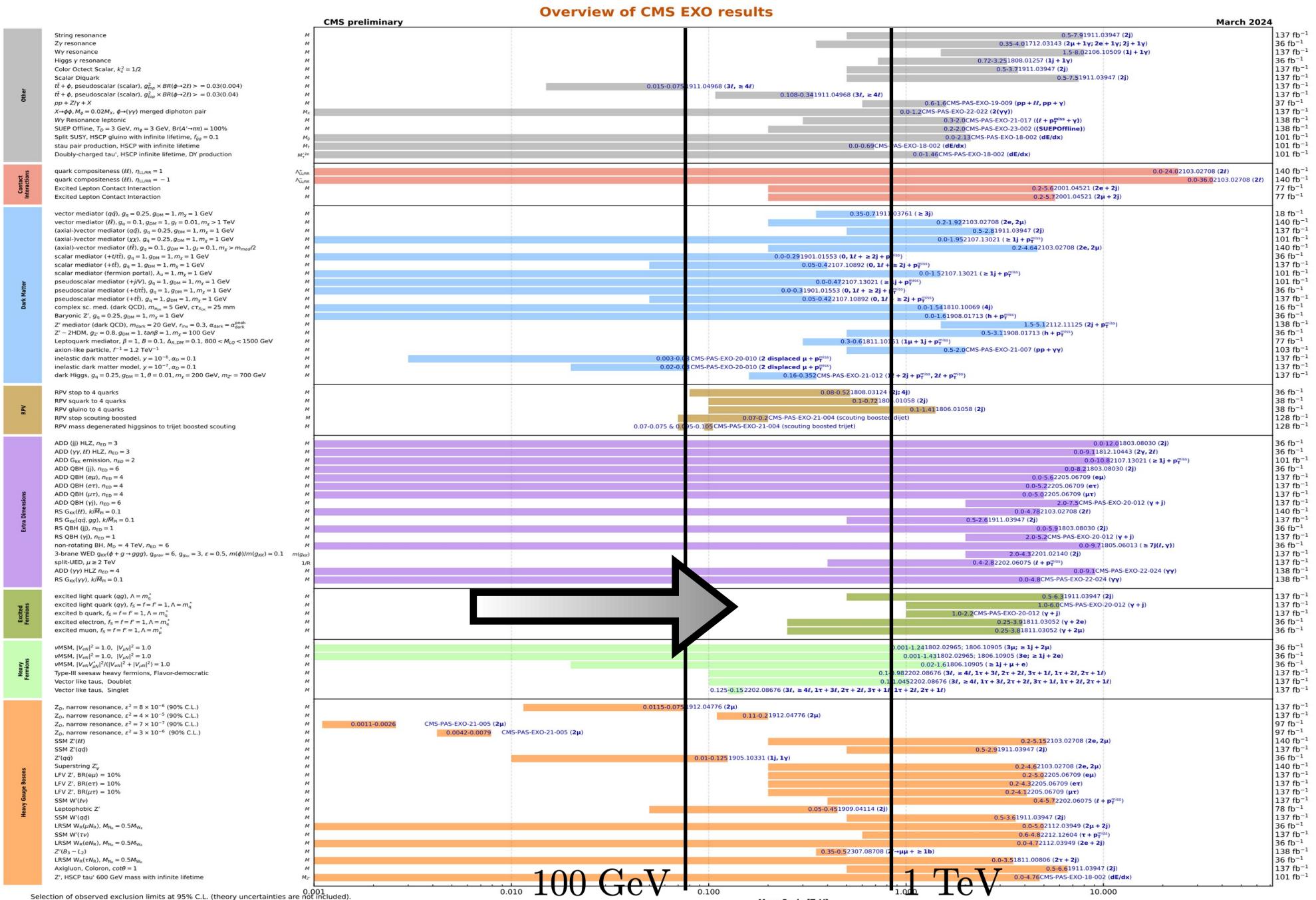
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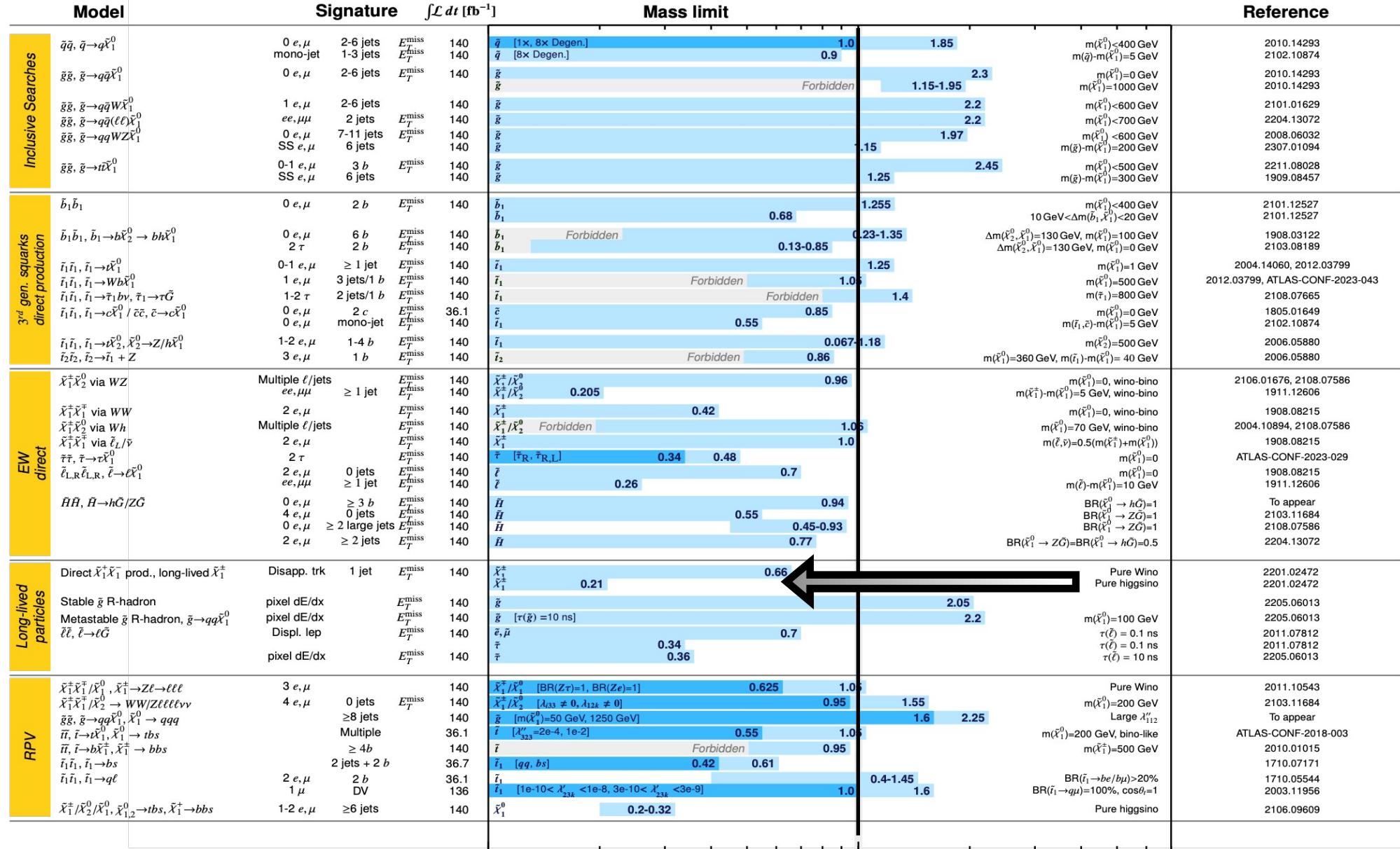
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ATLAS SUSY Searches* - 95% CL Lower Limits August 2023

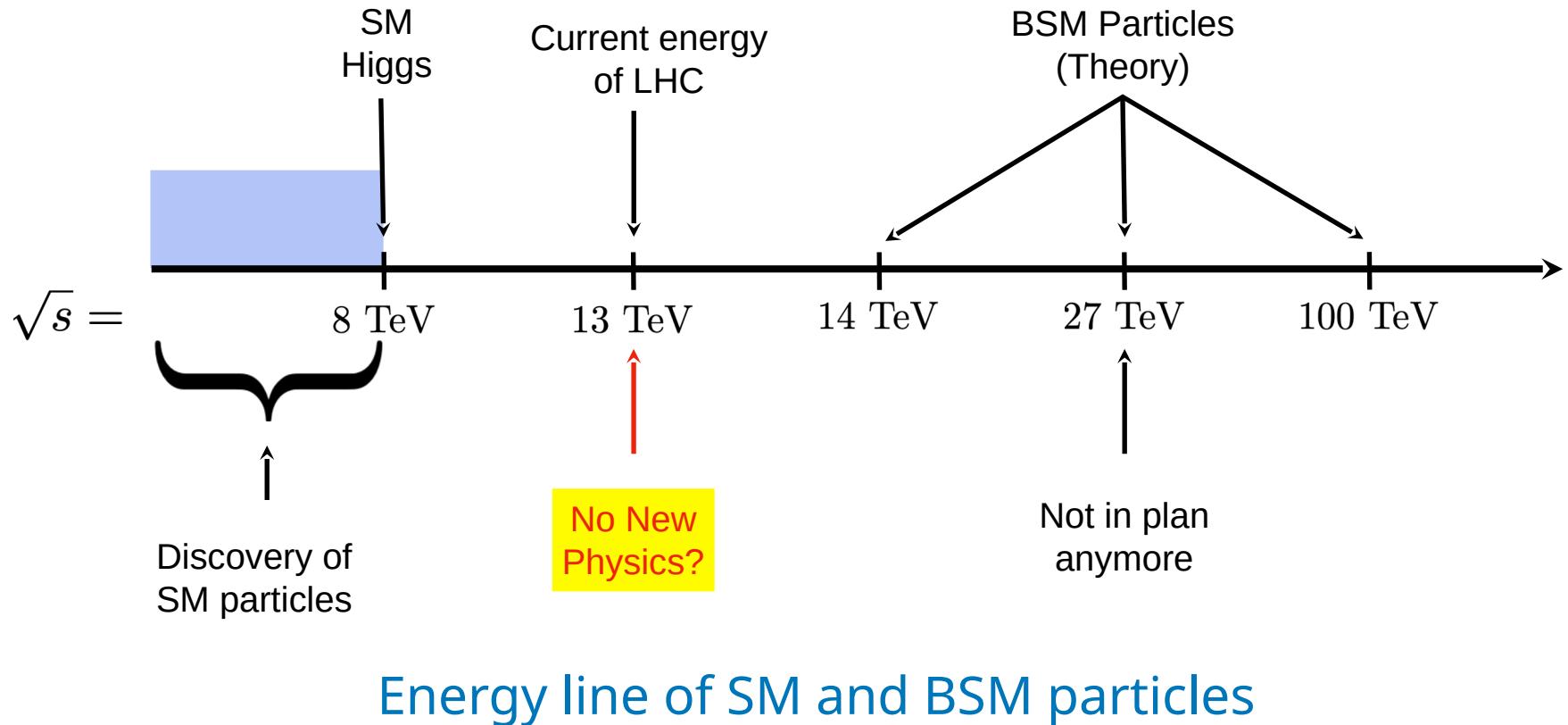
ATLAS Preliminary
 $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$



*Only a selection of the available mass limits on new states or phenomena is shown. Many of the limits are based on simplified models, c.f. refs. for the assumptions made.

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New Physics: Light or Heavy?



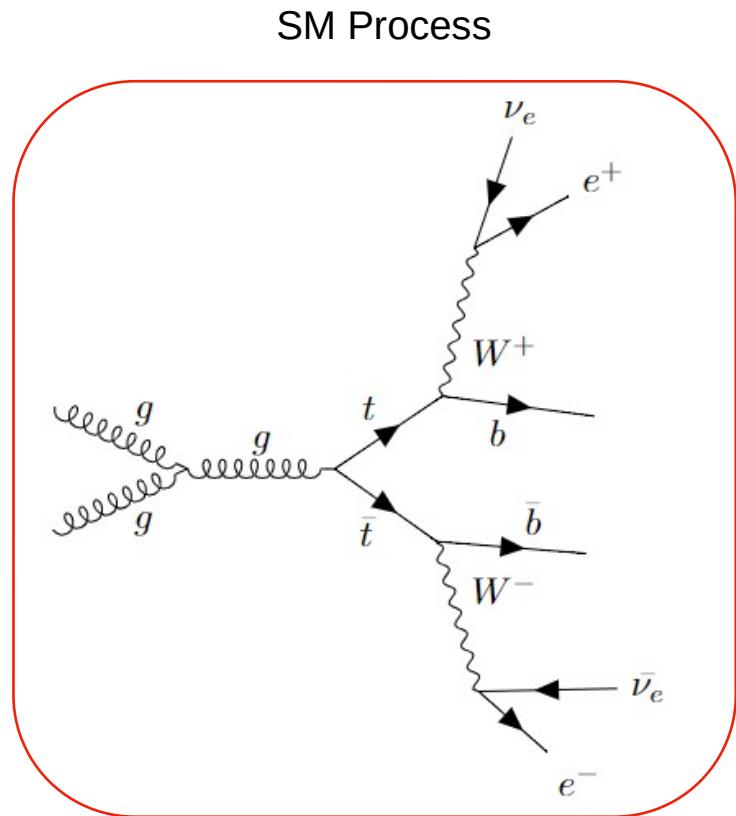
Searches for new physics \longrightarrow Future colliders

Our proposal: Study well-known observables to reveal New Physics

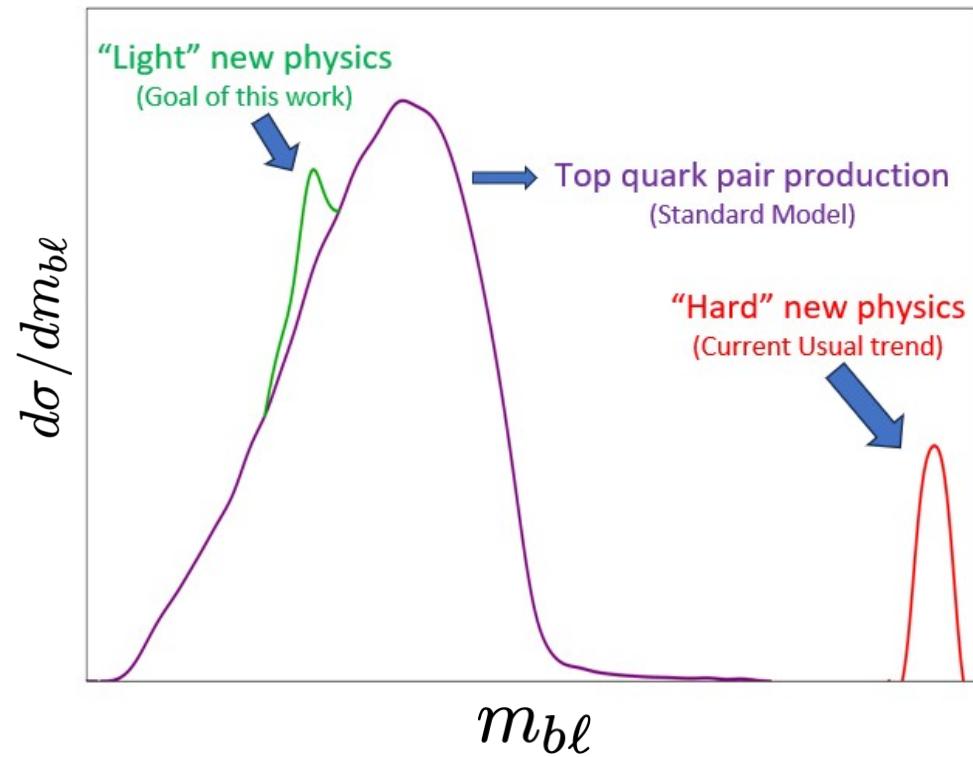
This work: Precise measurement of top quark observables

Light New Physics from $t\bar{t}$

The **LHC**, being a “**top quark factory**”, helps in precise measurement of various properties of the top quark



Invariant mass of the b -jet and the lepton ($m_{b\ell}$)



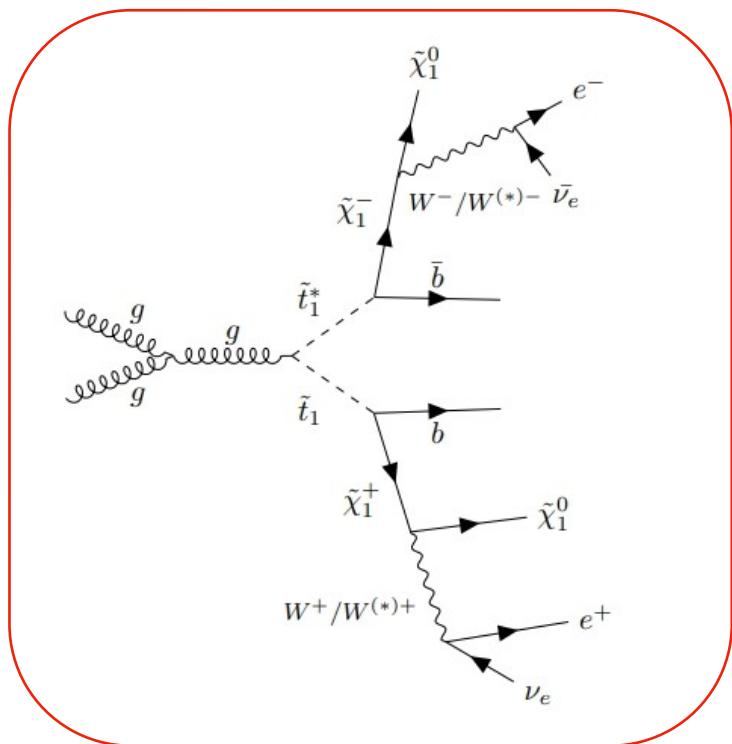
Pair-production of top quarks with each top t decaying to b and W^\pm which further decays leptonically

Targeted New Physics Scenario

Any BSM scenario with final state: opposite sign dileptons + 2 b -jets + \cancel{E}_T

Example: Minimal supersymmetric standard model (MSSM)

MSSM Process



Several parameter space points generated using SPheno - 4.0.3 interfaced with SARAH -4.15.1

$$m_{\tilde{t}_1} = 180, 200, 220 \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_1 : 5 \text{ GeV} - 1 \text{ TeV}$$

$$\mu : 100 \text{ GeV} - m_{\tilde{t}_1}$$

$$m_{\tilde{q}} \approx m_{\tilde{l}} \approx 3.5 \text{ TeV} \neq m_{\tilde{t}_1}$$

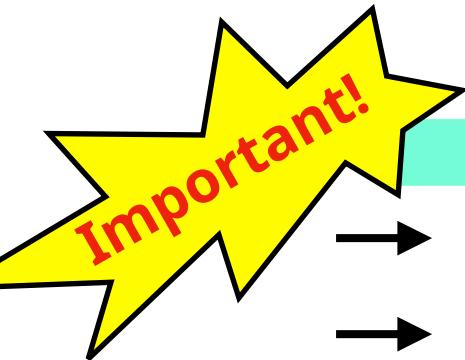
$$m_{\tilde{g}} \approx 3.6 \text{ TeV}$$

$$122 \text{ GeV} \leq m_h \leq 128 \text{ GeV}$$

Pair-production of the lightest stop \tilde{t}_1 , with each \tilde{t}_1 decaying to the lightest chargino $\tilde{\chi}_1^{\pm}$ and b , and each $\tilde{\chi}_1^{\pm}$ decaying to the lightest SUSY particle (LSP) $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ leptonically via a real or a virtual W^{\pm} boson

Lightest SUSY Particle (LSP) : $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$
Next-to-Lightest SUSY Particle (NLSP) : $\tilde{\chi}_1^{\pm}$

Bounds from Experiments



A new physics scenario should not be excluded by

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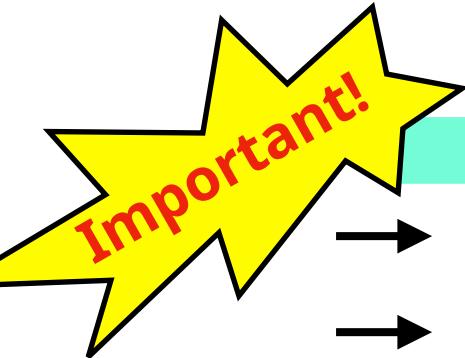
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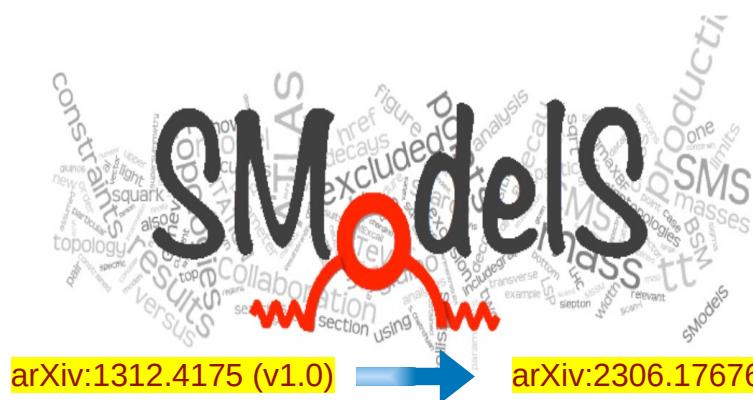
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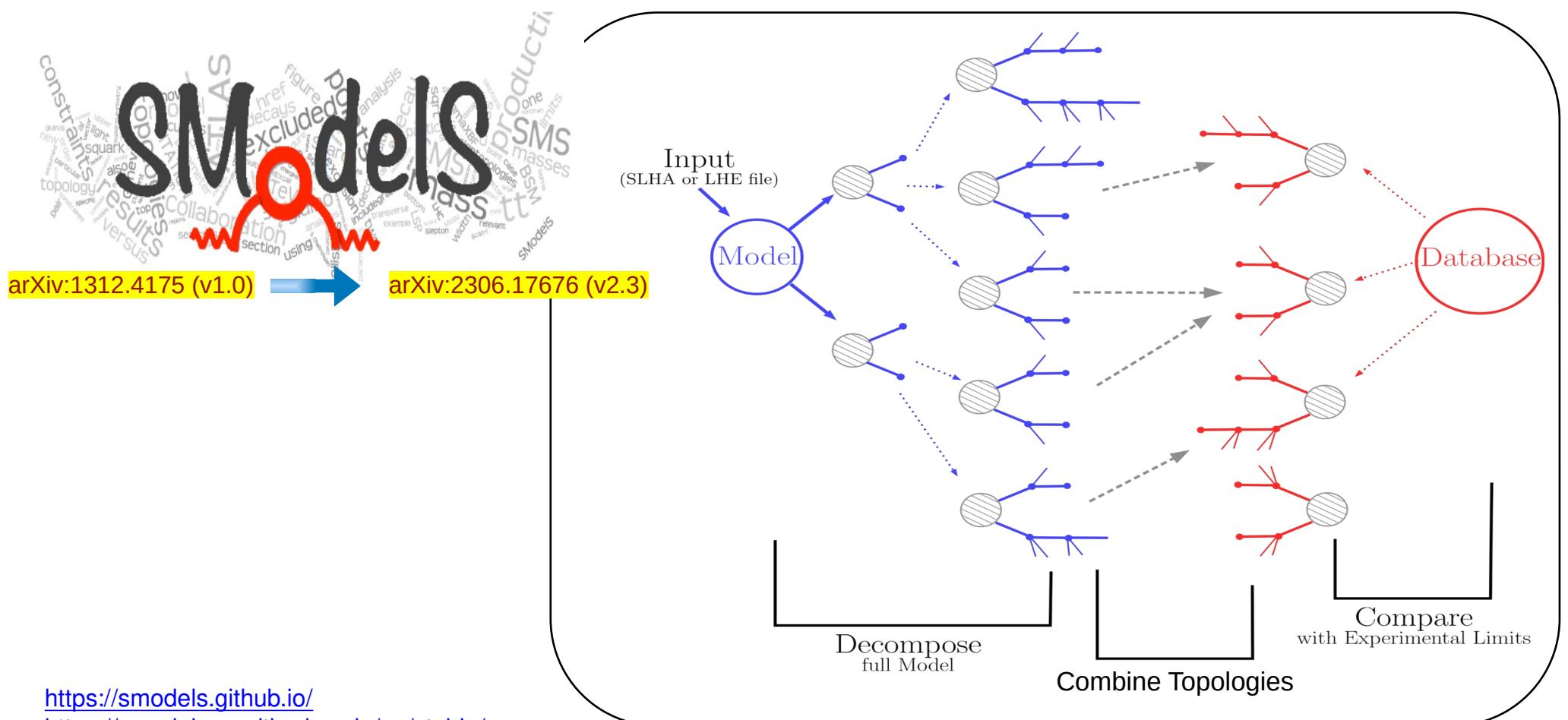
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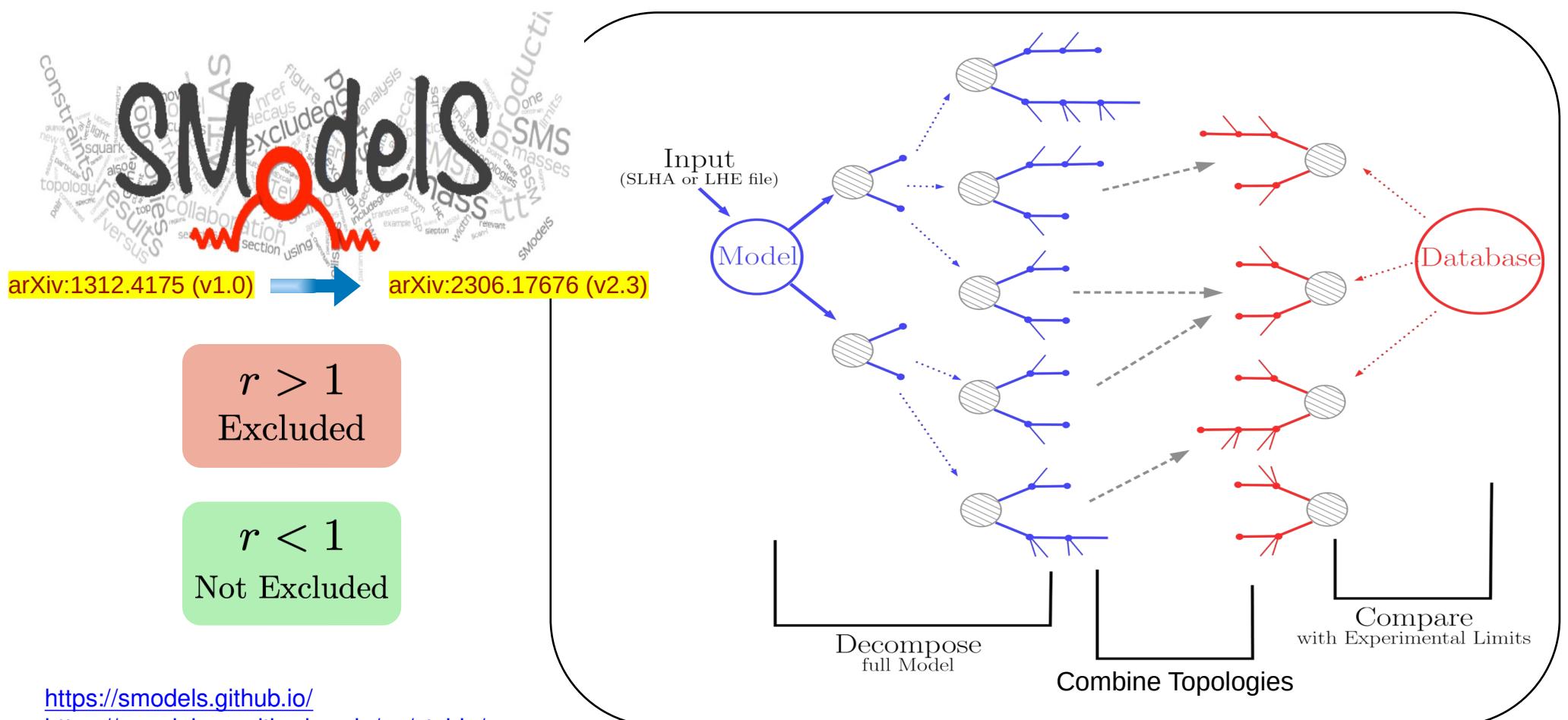
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Simulation

All the parameter space points are simulated with **Pythia — 8.3** with PDF=NNPDF2.3 QCD+QED LO.

Cuts imposed (motivated by experimental papers)

$$p_T(\ell) \geq 25 \text{ GeV}, |\eta(\ell)| < 2.5, R(j) = 0.4, p_T(j) \geq 25 \text{ GeV}, |\eta(j)| < 2.5, \\ \Delta R(\ell j) > 0.2, \Delta R(\ell\ell) > 0.1, \Delta R(jj) > 0.4$$

Jet clustering: Anti- k_T jet algorithm

From $m_{b\ell}$ distribution :

$$\text{Significance} = \sqrt{\sum_i [S_i / (B_i \times u_{B_i})]^2} \text{ at } \mathcal{L} = 139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

S_i = No. of signal events in the i^{th} bin

B_i = No. of background events in the i^{th} bin

u_{B_i} = Relative uncertainty in the background in the i^{th} bin
(extracted from ATLAS and CMS)

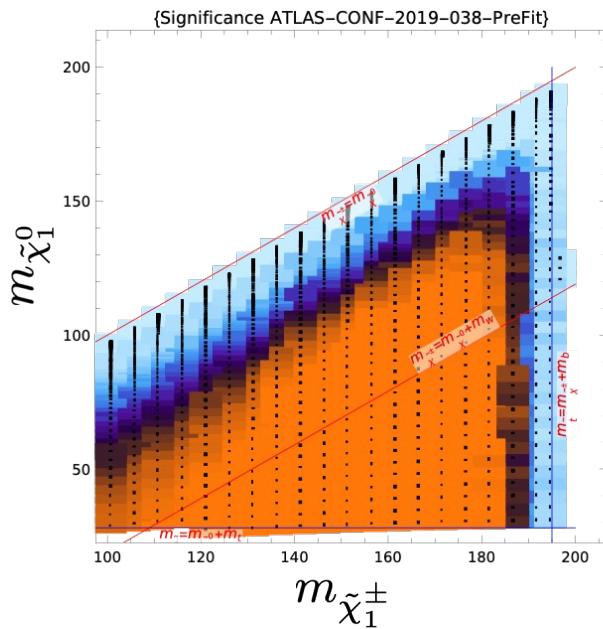
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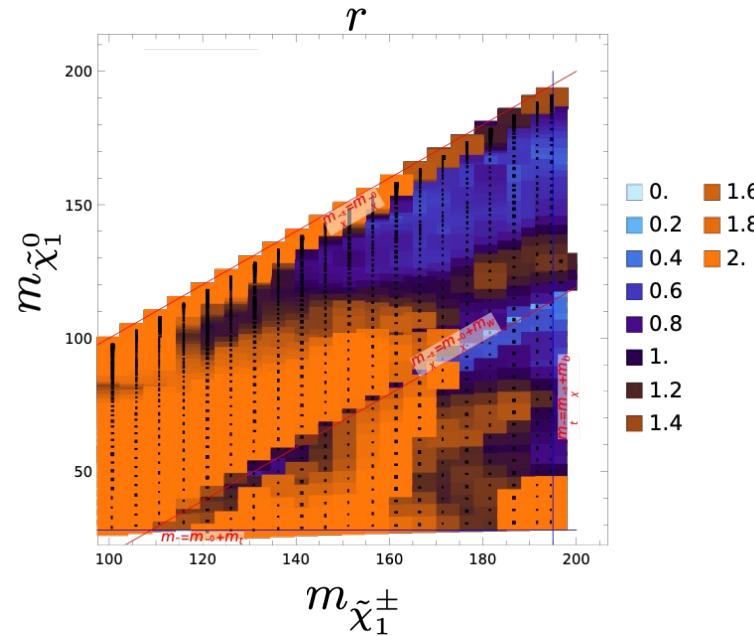
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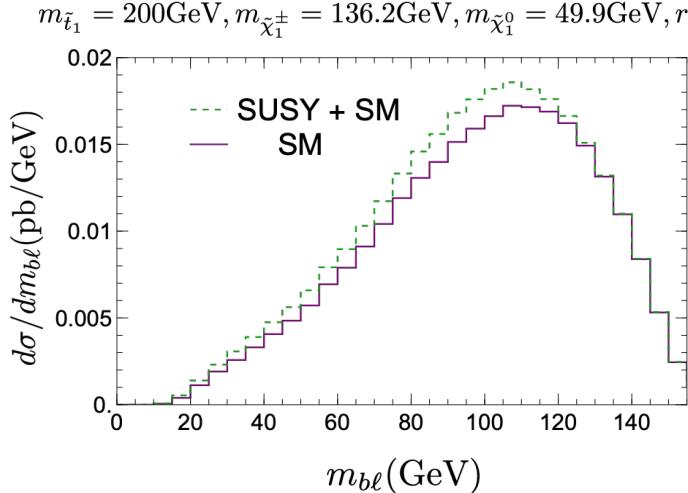
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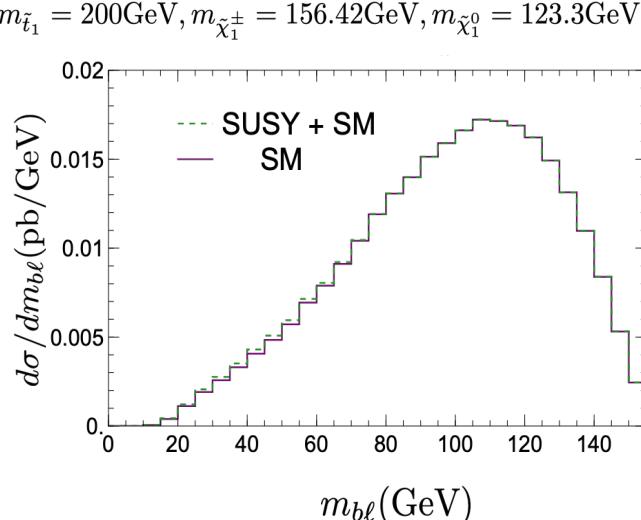
Significance with u_B from ATLAS



Values of r calculated using SModelS — 2.3.3



Significance with u_B from ATLAS ~ 10.8



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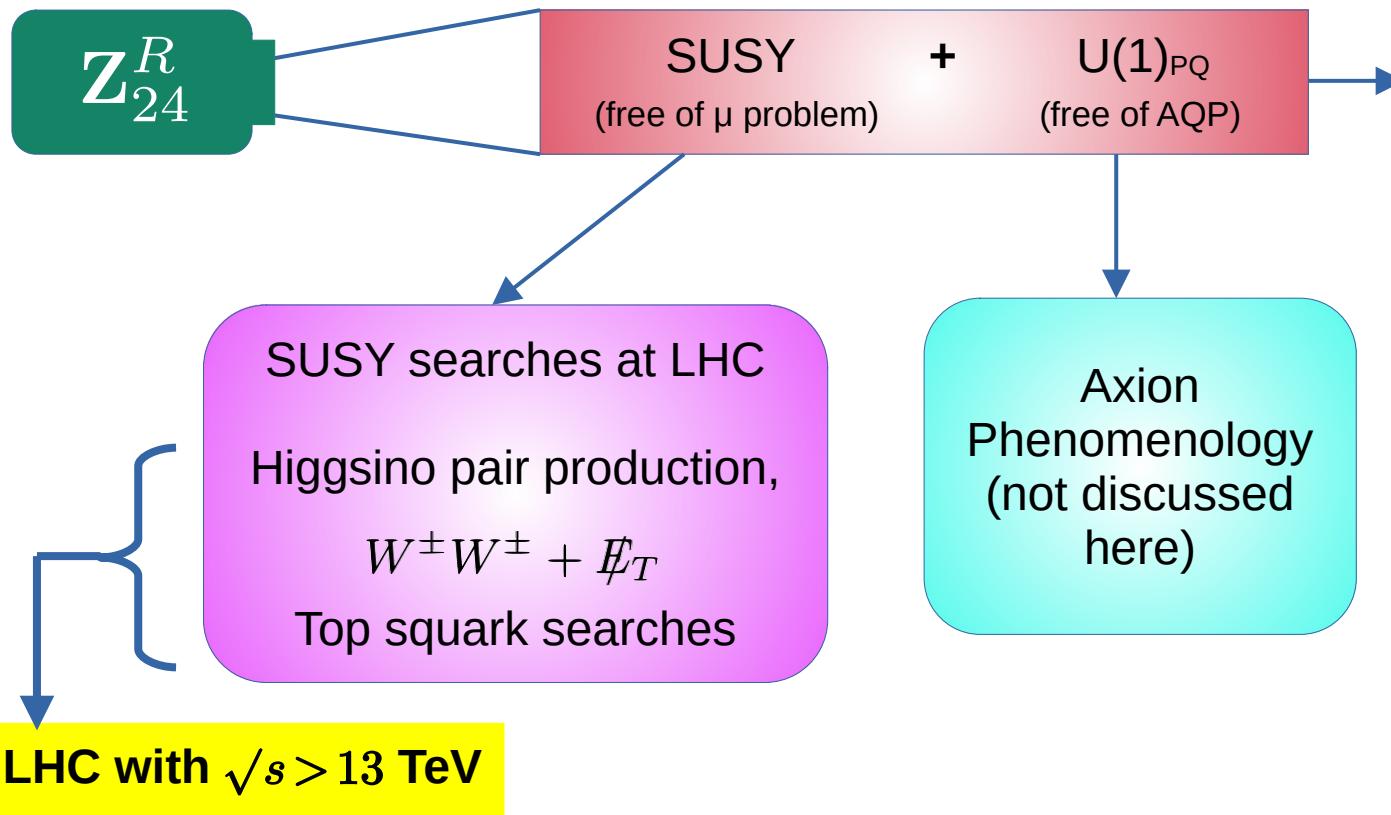
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DISCOVERY!!

Conclusion

Fundamental symmetry



A thorough study of well-known/well-measured observable such as $m_{b\ell}$ can hint towards new physics in the top-quark sample.

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Naturalness in SUSY, SUSY μ problem, Z_{24}^R symmetry

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