

# Flavor Mediation Delivers Natural SUSY

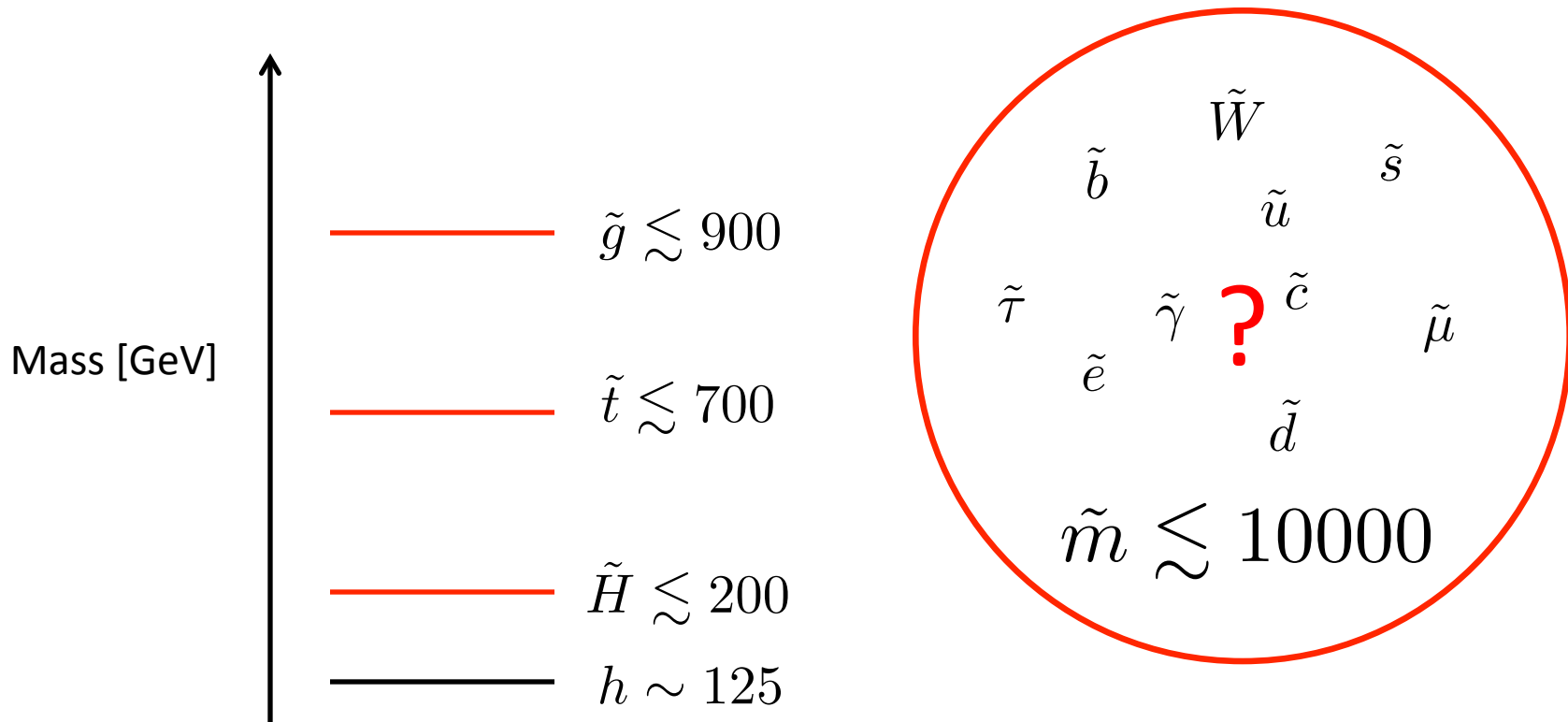
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Based on Craig, MM, Thaler:  
“The New Flavor of Higgsed Gauge Mediation” (JHEP)  
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# SUSY Naturalness

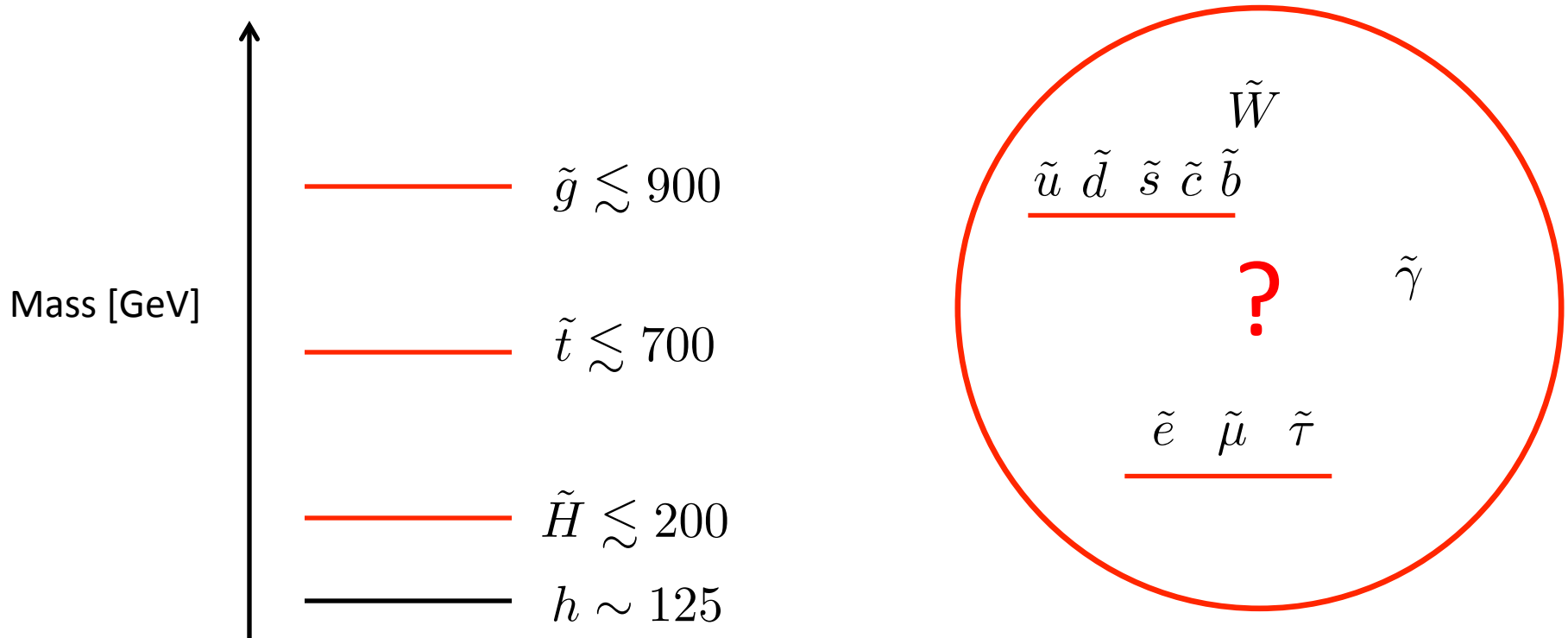
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- Already need ( )SSM for natural 125 GeV Higgs

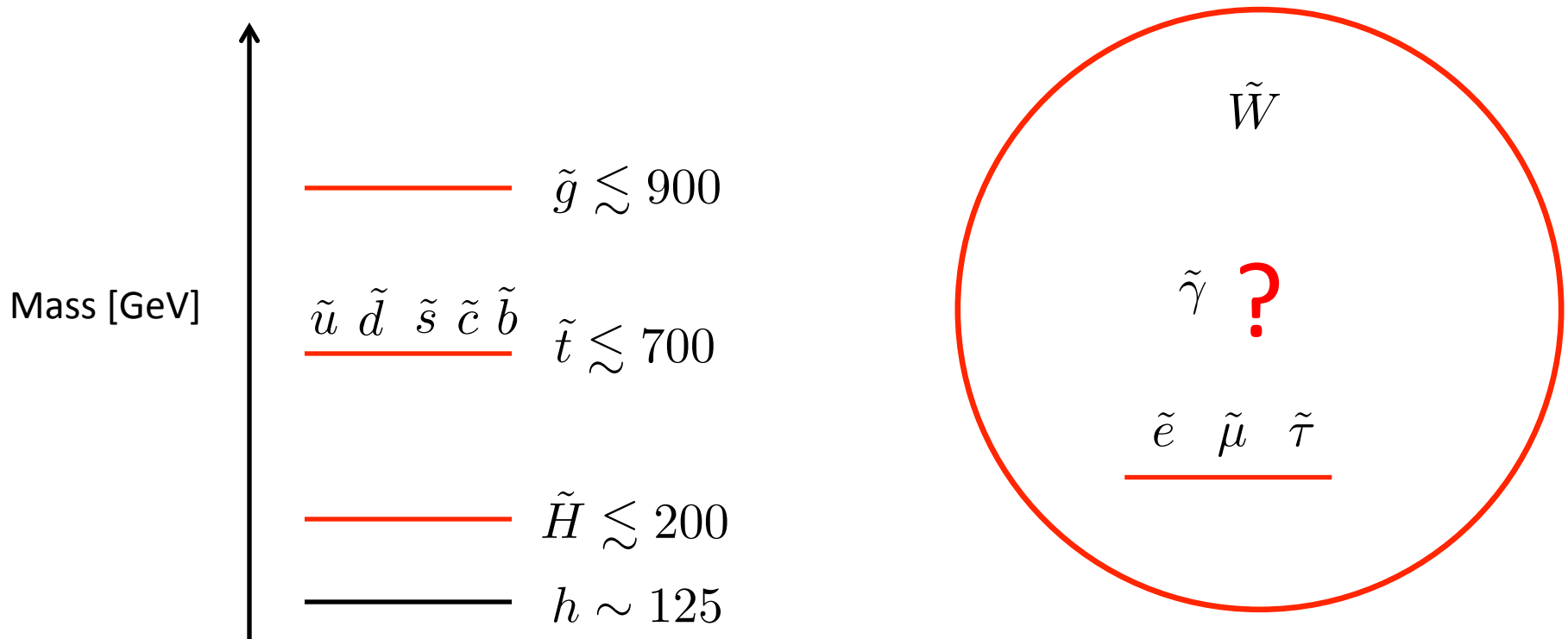
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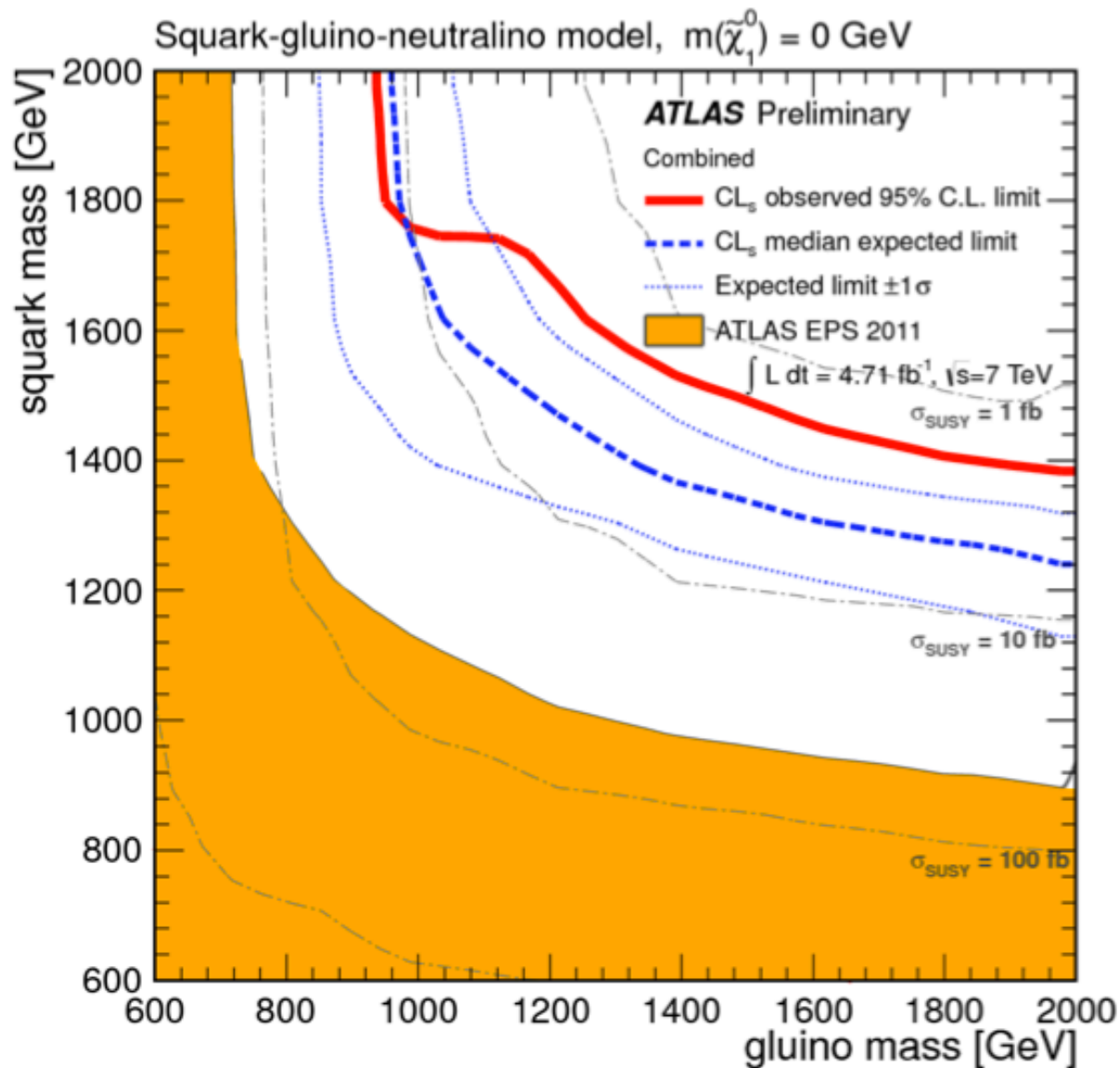
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Easily observable at the LHC!

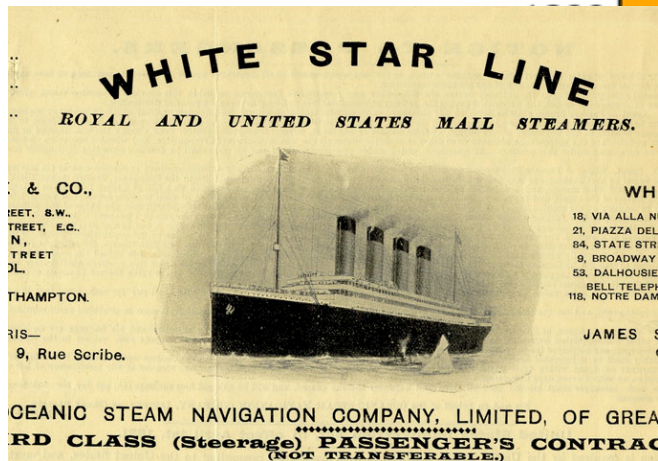
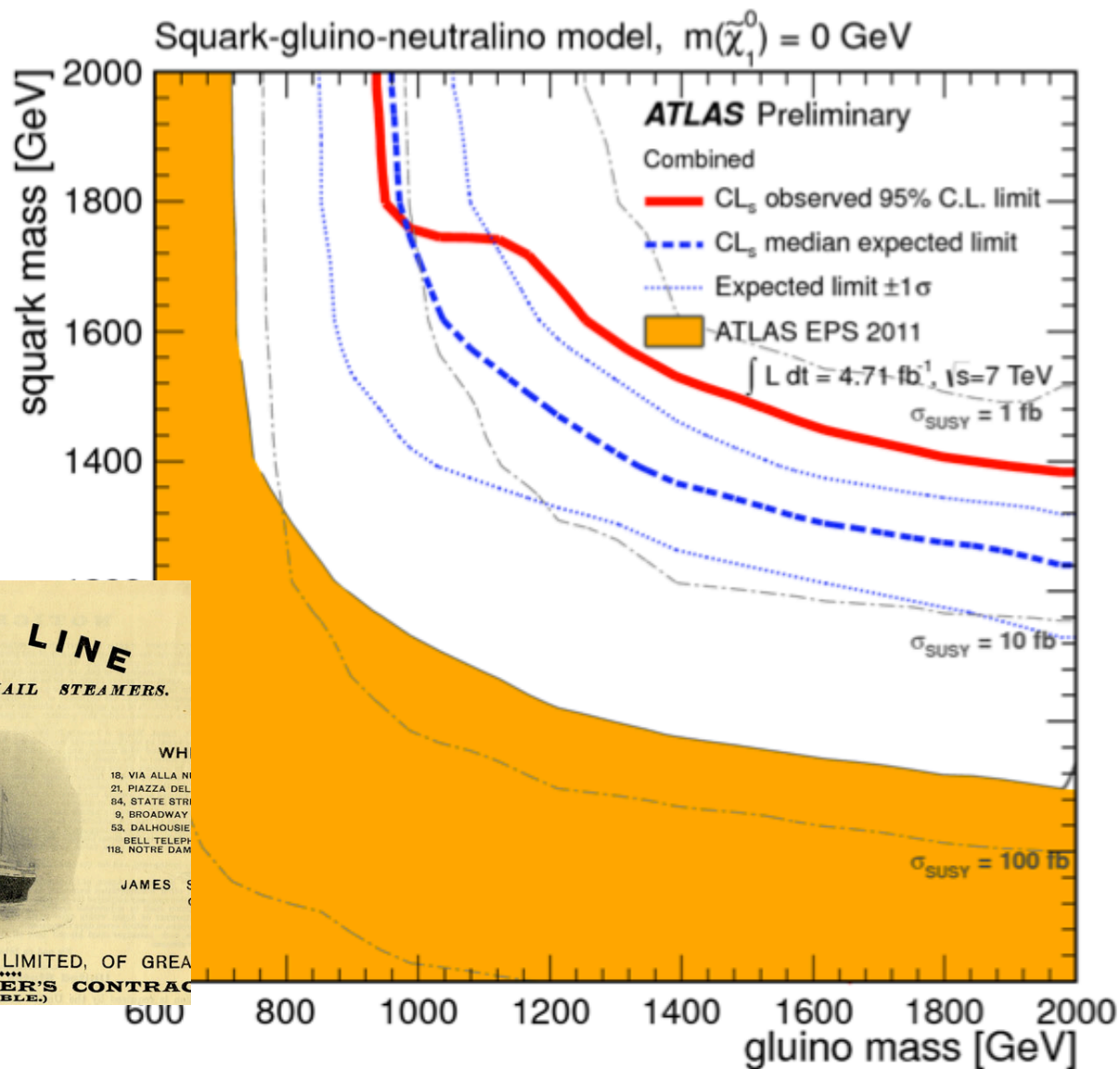
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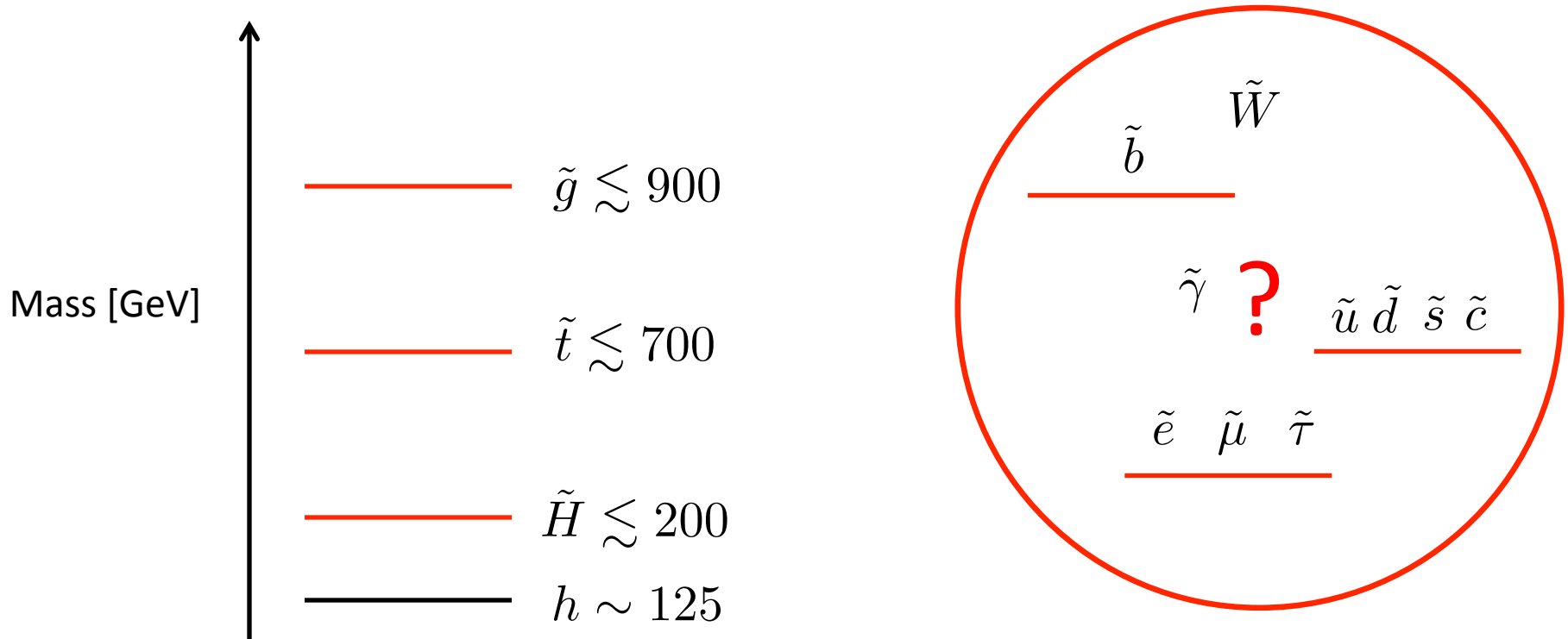
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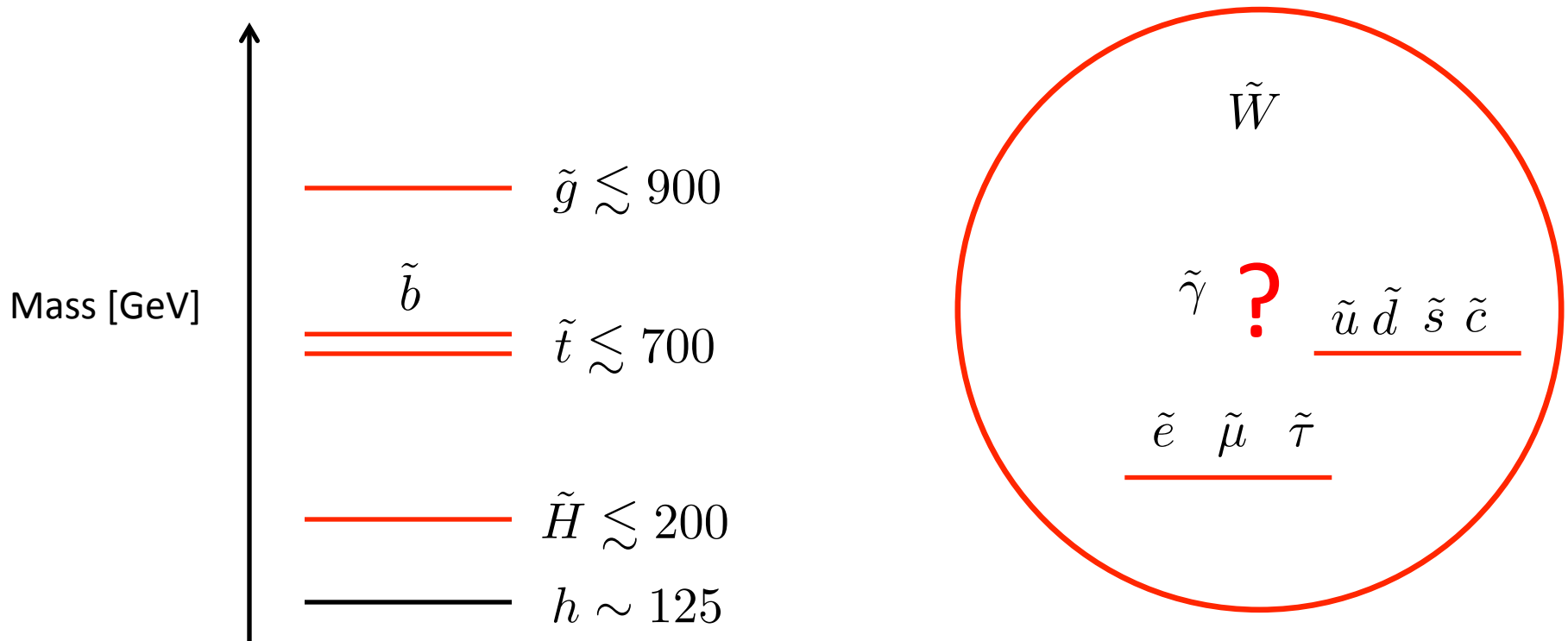
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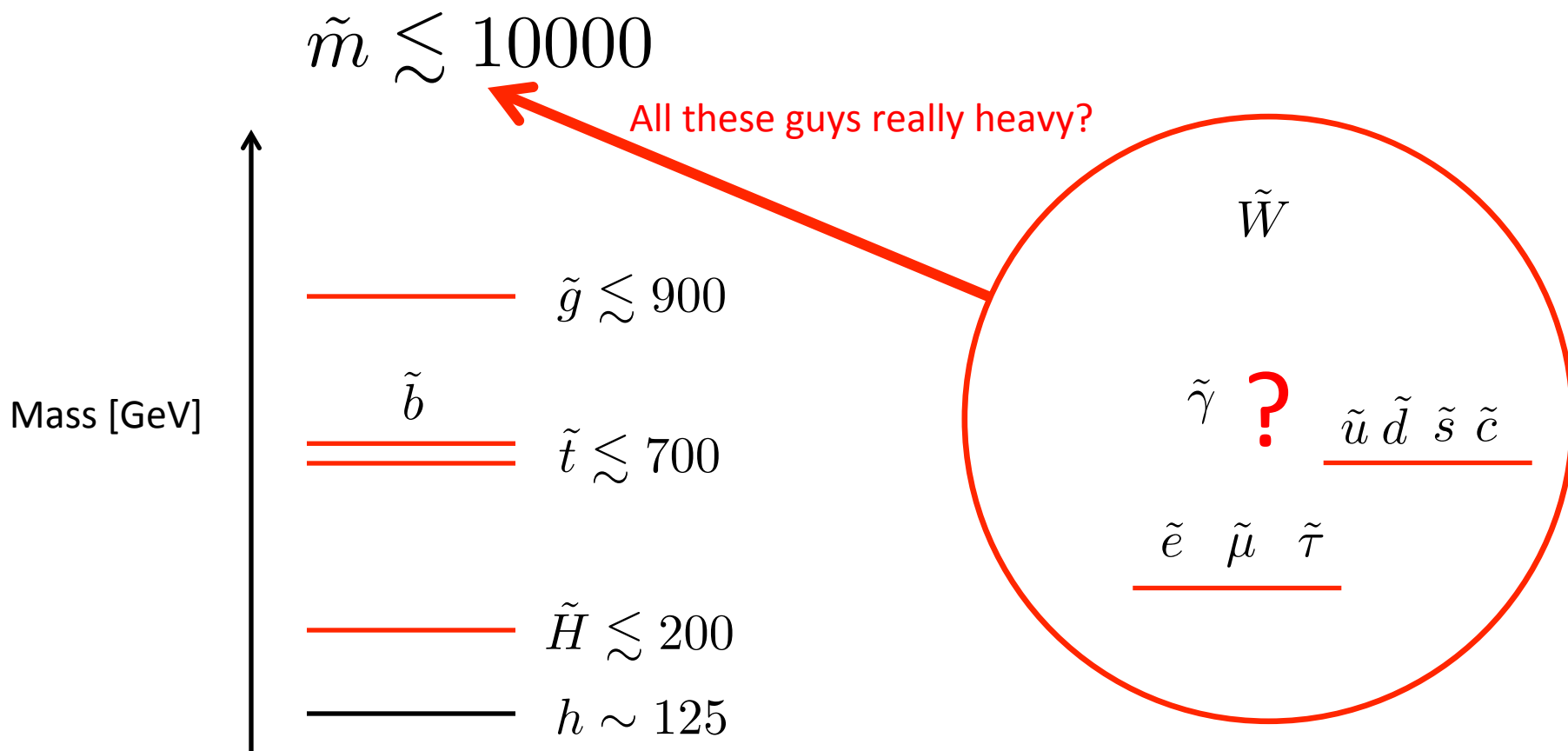




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Dimopoulos, Giudice

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- A flavored explanation? A flavor force?

This is a “flavor” puzzle, relating different generations

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- A flavor force?

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Higgs

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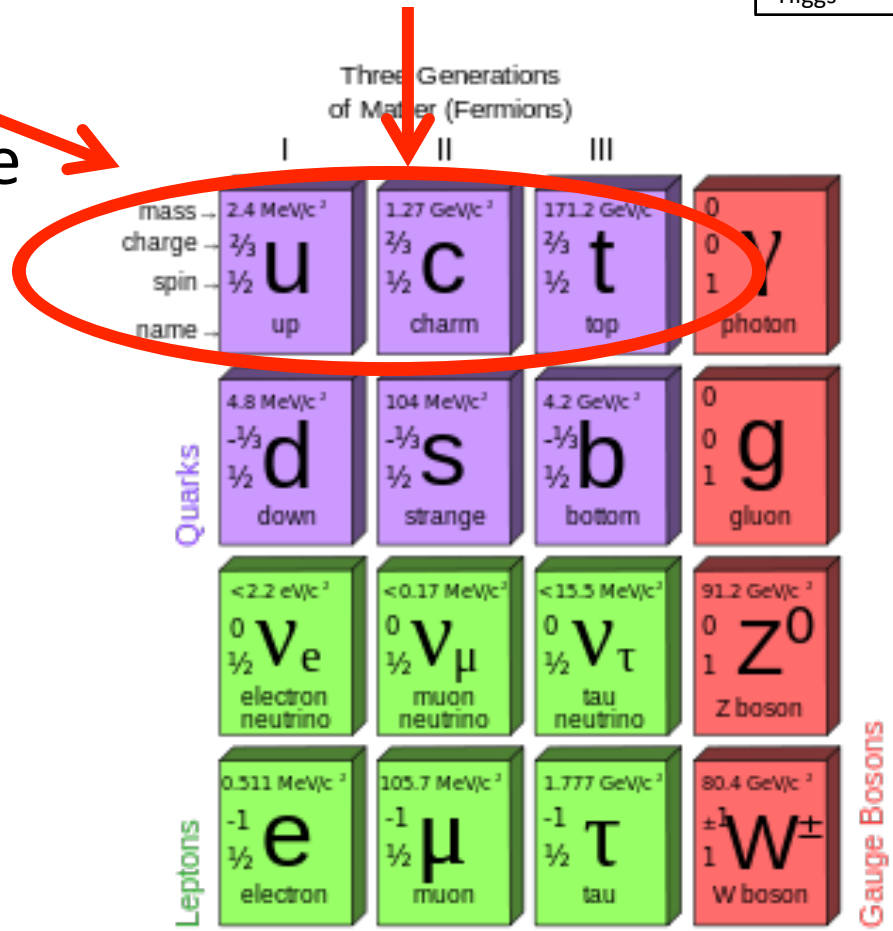
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Flavor force transforms different generations into each other

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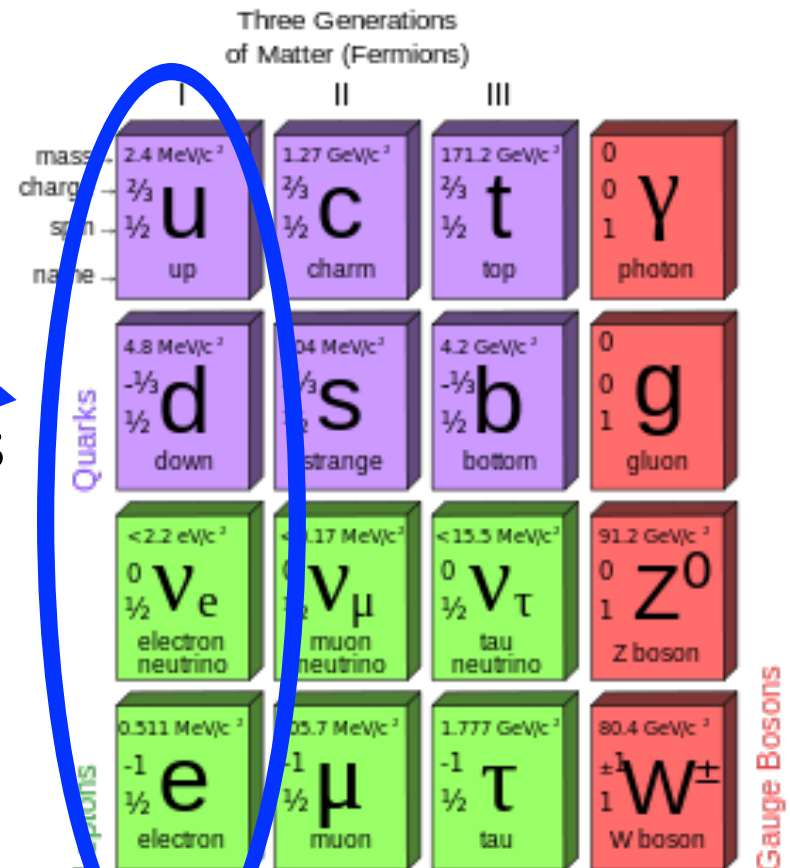
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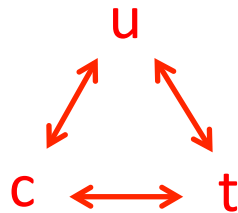
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- Candidate flavor force exists!
  - No SM anomalies
  - Consistent with unification
  - No need to add extra light charged particles
  - Like a “flavor QCD”  $SU(3)_F$

- Flavor force rotates quark flavors



- Such processes very strongly constrained



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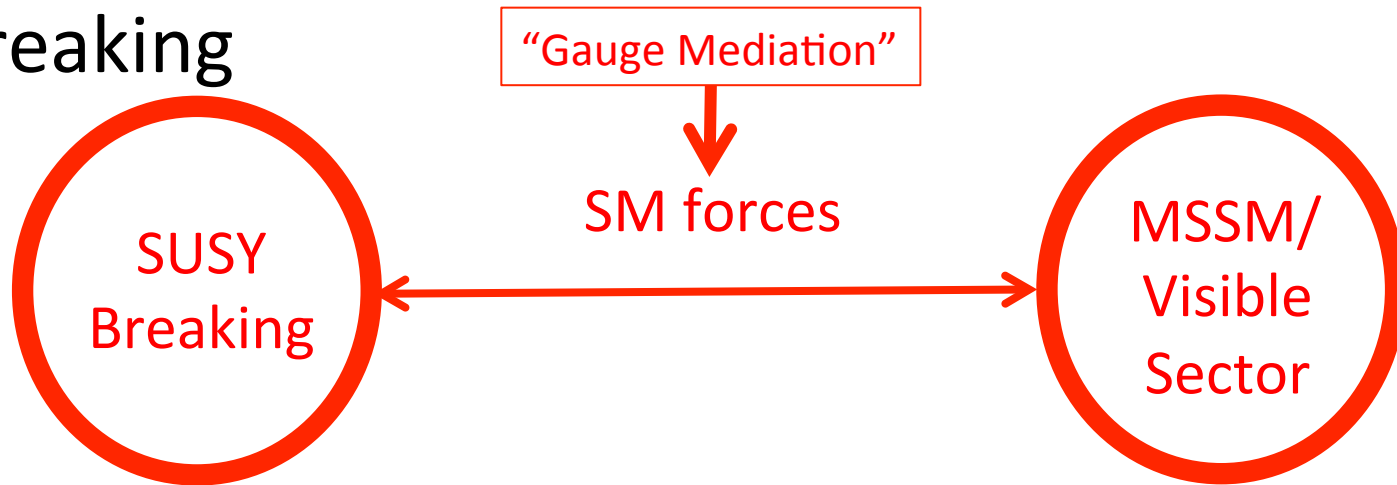
- Flavor forces not observed
  - Must be broken at high scales
  - Analogous to breaking of electroweak symmetry
  - Take flavor structure as input, i.e. spurions
- “Flavor Higgs” proportional to quark masses

$$\langle \Phi_F \rangle \propto \begin{pmatrix} 172.9 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1.29 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.0017 \end{pmatrix}$$

- More breaking = weaker force

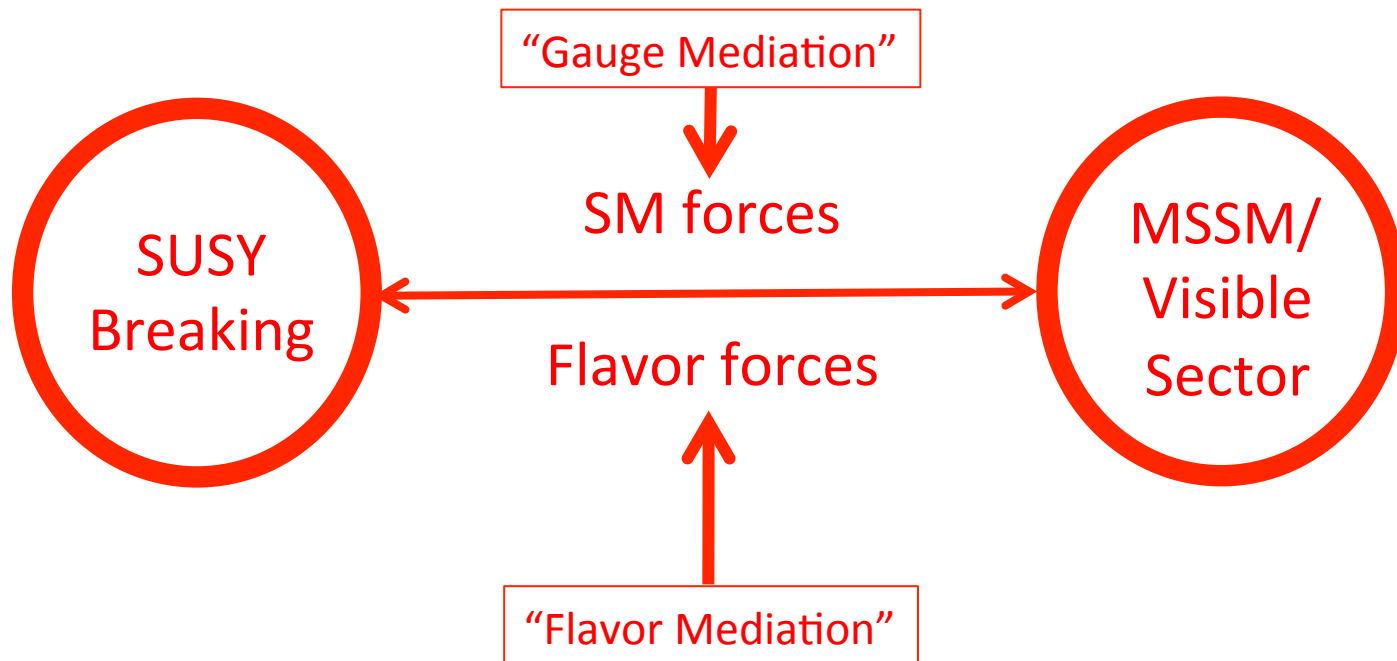
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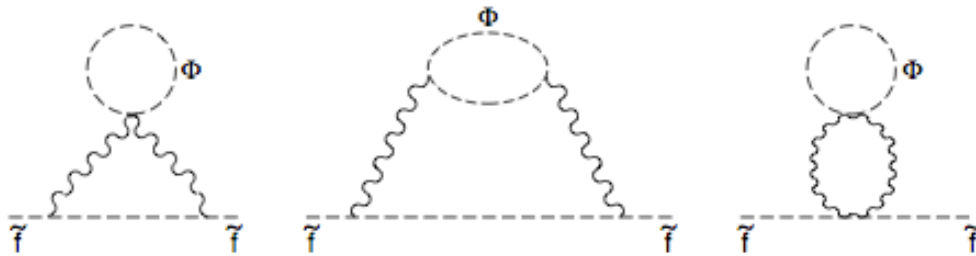
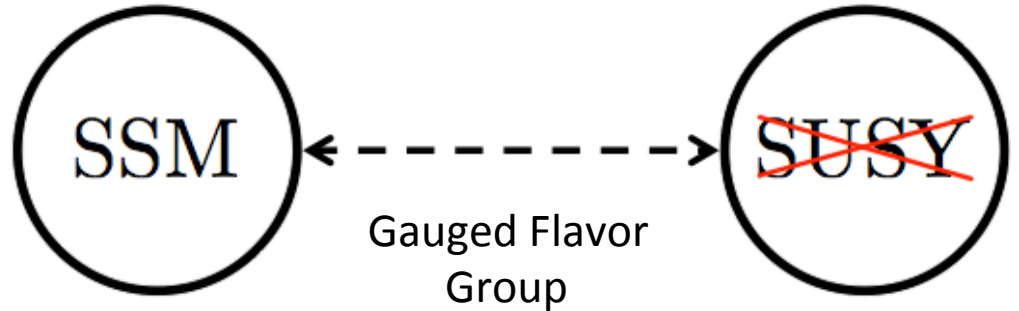
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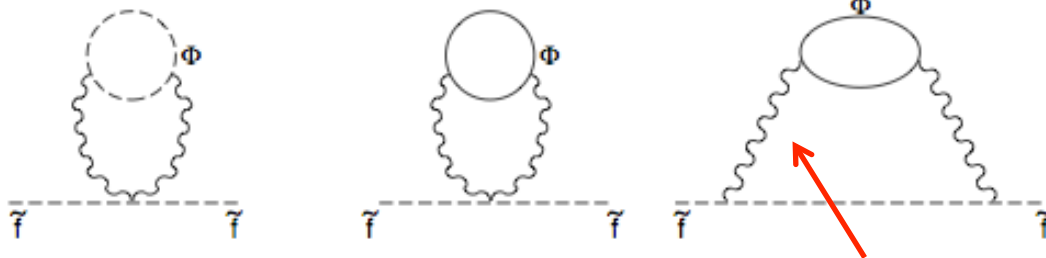
- Maybe flavor forces do too?
  - Kaplan & Kribs, 1999:  $U(1)$
  - Craig, MM Thaler, 2012: Non-Abelian

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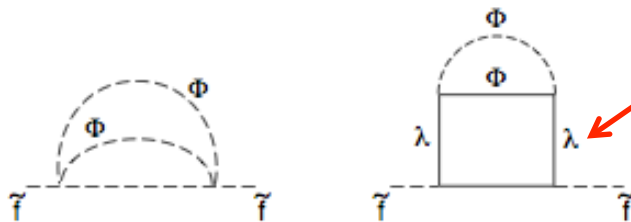
- Mediate via



Soft masses at two loops



$M_V^2$



Flavor group broken:  
Massive gauge superfields complicates calculation

# Calculating

- Or, to lowest order in  $F$  can find result from one supergraph (Craig, MM, Thaler)

$$\int d^4\theta \left[ \begin{array}{c} |M + \theta^2 F|^2 \\ \uparrow \\ \text{Supergraph} \\ \uparrow \\ M_V^2 + g^2 |Q|^2 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{Three diagrams} \\ \text{Three diagrams} \\ \text{Two diagrams} \end{array} \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{F}{M^2}\right)$$

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where

$$f(\delta) = 2 \frac{\delta(4-\delta)((4-\delta) + (\delta+2)\log(\delta)) + 2(\delta-1)\Omega(\delta)}{\delta(4-\delta)^3}$$

with

$$\Omega(\delta) = \sqrt{\delta(\delta-4)} (2\zeta(2) \log^2(\alpha) + 4\text{Li}_2(\alpha))$$

$$\alpha = \left( \sqrt{\frac{\delta}{4}} + \sqrt{\frac{\delta}{4} - 1} \right)$$


# SUSY ♥ SU(3) Flavor

- Unique SM anomaly-free  $SU(3)_F$  symmetry
- Superfields all fundamentals

$$Q, U^c, D^c, L, E^c$$

- Yukawa couplings from

$$W = \frac{1}{M_{S_u}} S_u H_u Q U^c + \frac{1}{M_{S_d}} S_d H_d Q D^c$$

  
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- Plenty of ways to generate these couplings



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- Numerous models/possibilities for this exist. Focus on implications for SUSY.
- Future: Flavor breaking model

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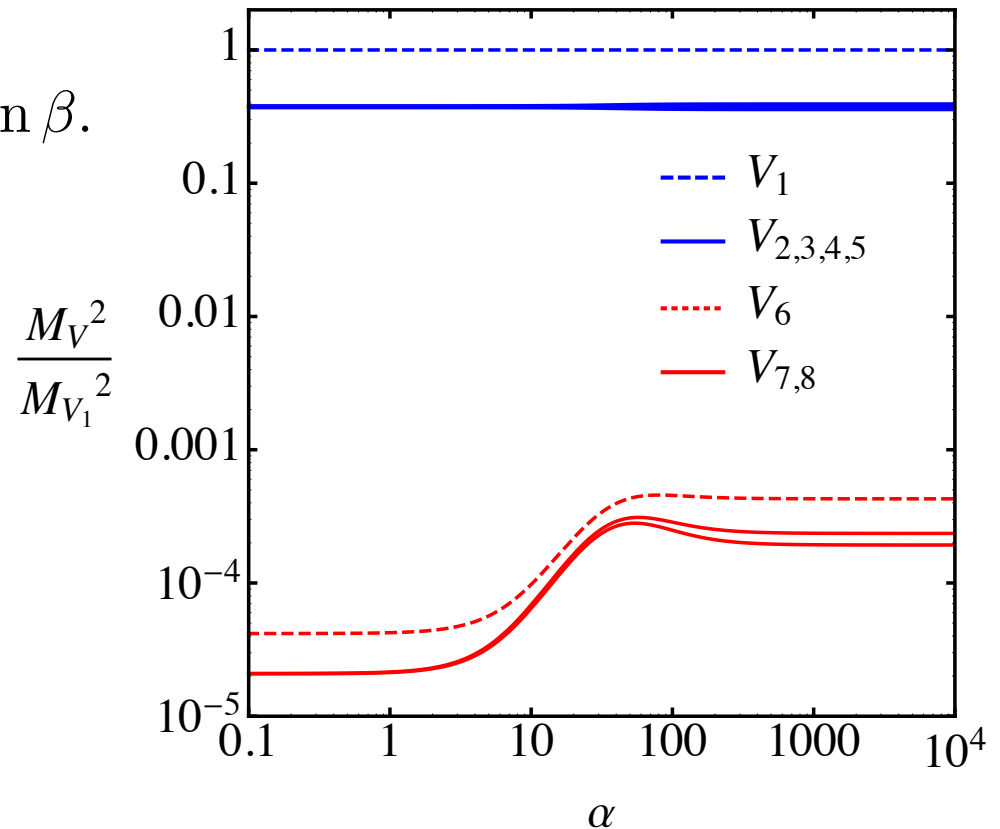
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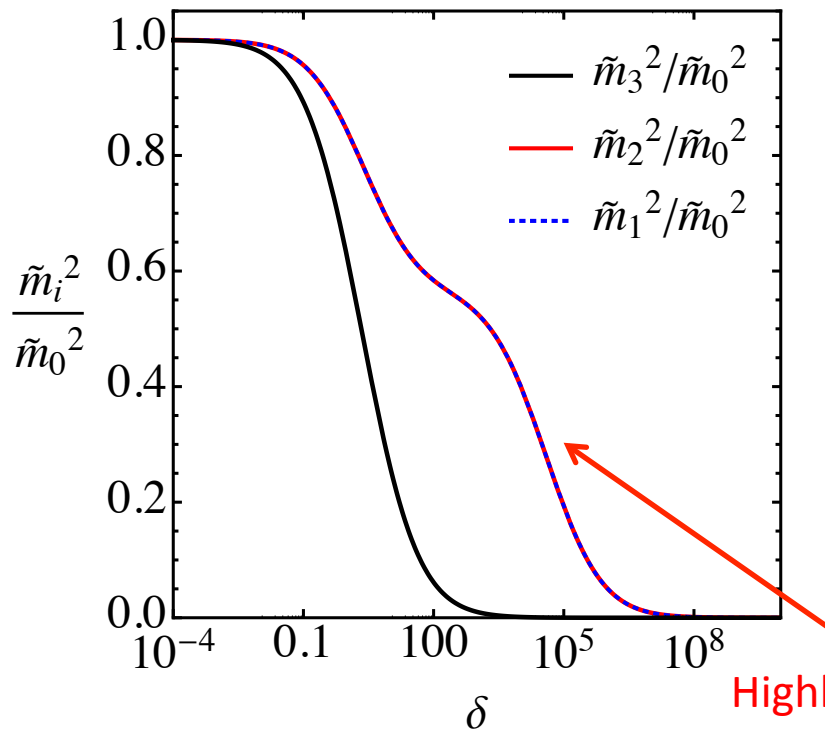
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- Can now determine flavor boson spectrum

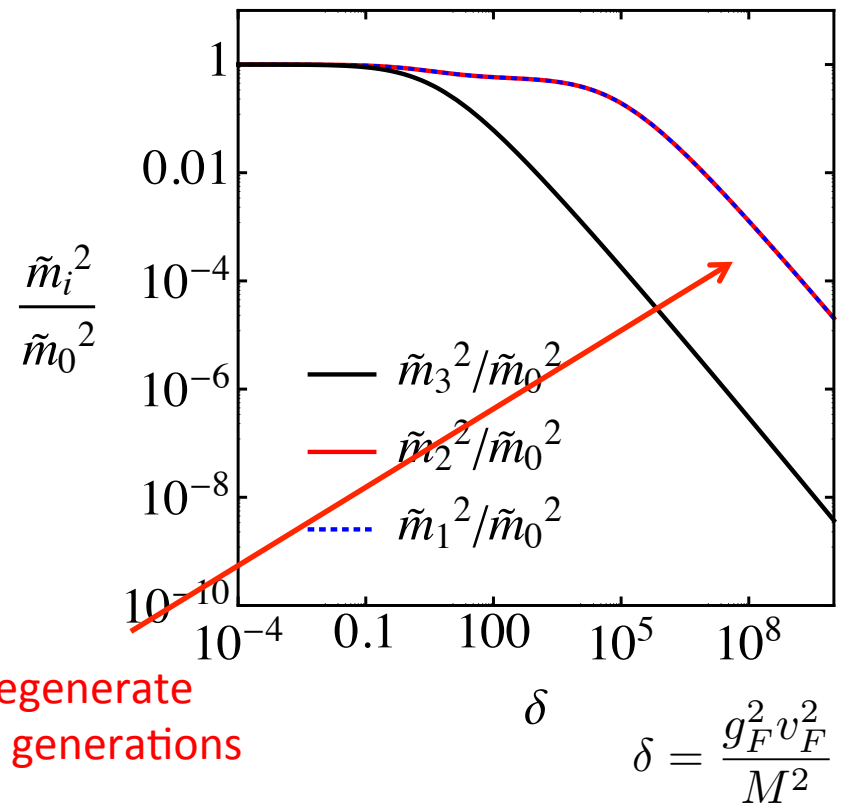


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- Easy to calculate the squark spectrum!



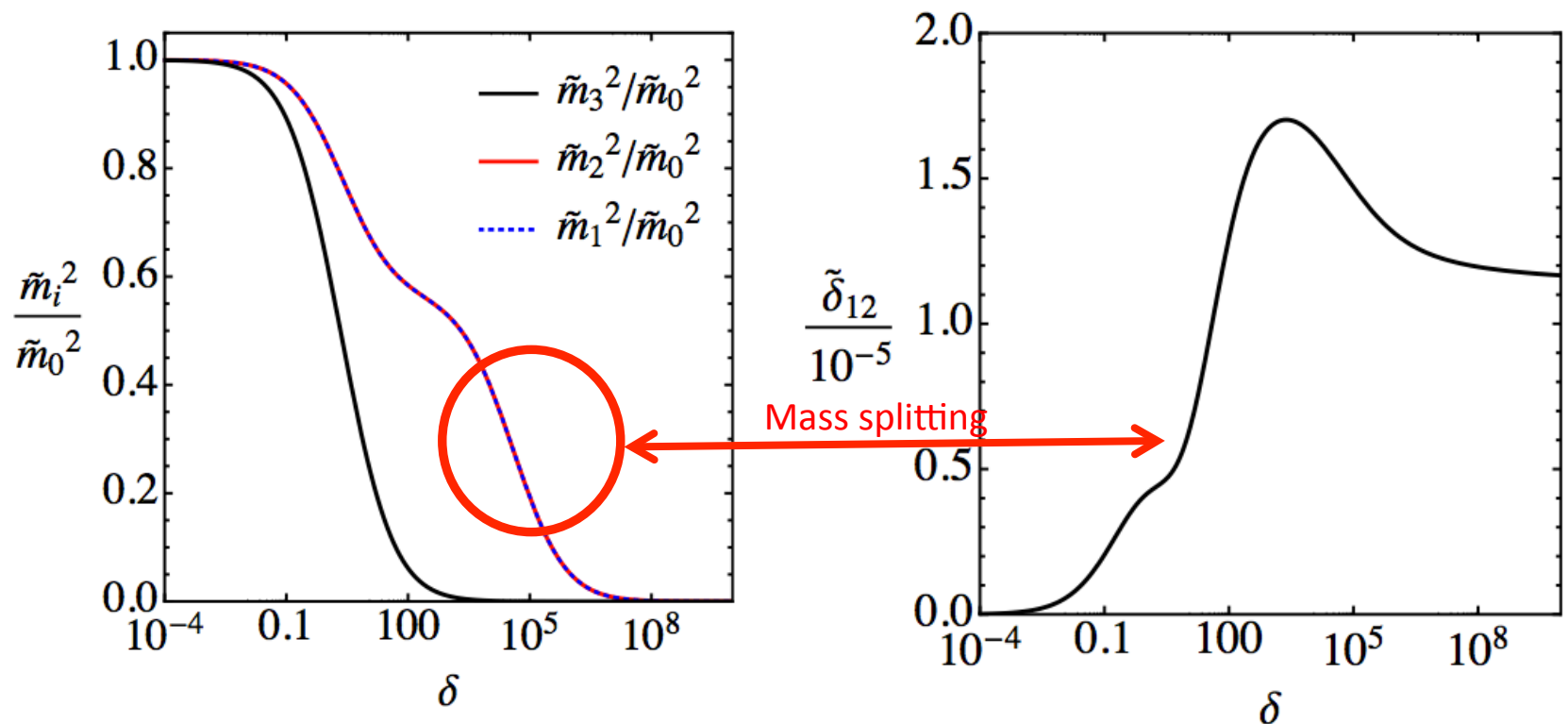
Highly degenerate  
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$$\delta = \frac{g_F^2 v_F^2}{M^2}$$

# SUSY ♥ SU(3) Flavor

- Zooming in...
- Flavor mediation makes first two generations highly degenerate!





# SUSY ♥ SU(3) Flavor

- Top Yukawa breaks flavor force, weaker interaction with third generation

$$SU(3)_F \rightarrow SU(2)_F$$

- Third generation split from first two

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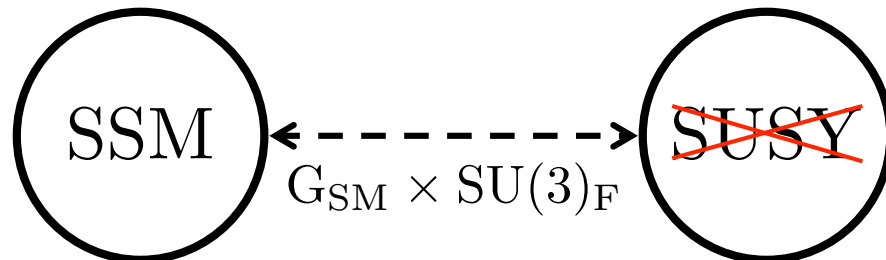
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- Remaining flavor force broken
- No remaining flavor force to split off first generation

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- So far, just squarks (and sleptons). Need a more complete model.
- Philosophy: Flavor group just another SM gauge group broken at high scales. If flavor mediation, then expect flavor + standard gauge mediation.



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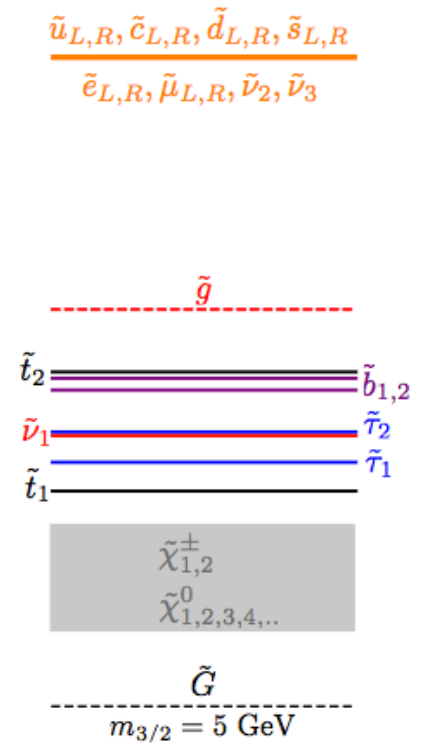
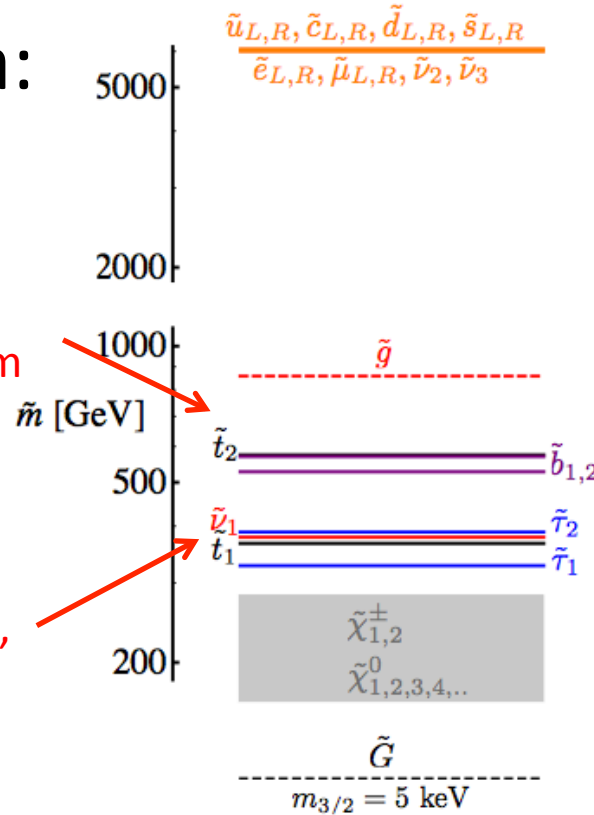
$$W_{\text{Higgs}} = \mu_H H_u H_d + \mu_S S^2 + \lambda S H_u H_d + f S + \kappa S^3.$$

# SUSY ♥ Flavor Mediation

- Typical spectra:

Another surprise: under RG heavy squarks drive stop masses down at two-loops, pushing them below gluinos.

Third generation sleptons and right-handed sbottoms also light, from anomaly cancellation.



Benchmark	$M$ [GeV]	$\sqrt{C(\Phi)}\alpha_F(M)$	$\delta$	$\tilde{m}_{1,2}^F$ [GeV]	$\tilde{m}_3^F$ [GeV]	$m_{\tilde{g}}$ [GeV]	$m_{\tilde{t}_1}$ [GeV]	$m_{\tilde{t}_2}$ [GeV]
Low Scale	$10^8$	0.54	$129^2$	6000	300	859	367	575
High Scale	$10^{14}$	0.32	$72^2$	4000	300	836	332	608

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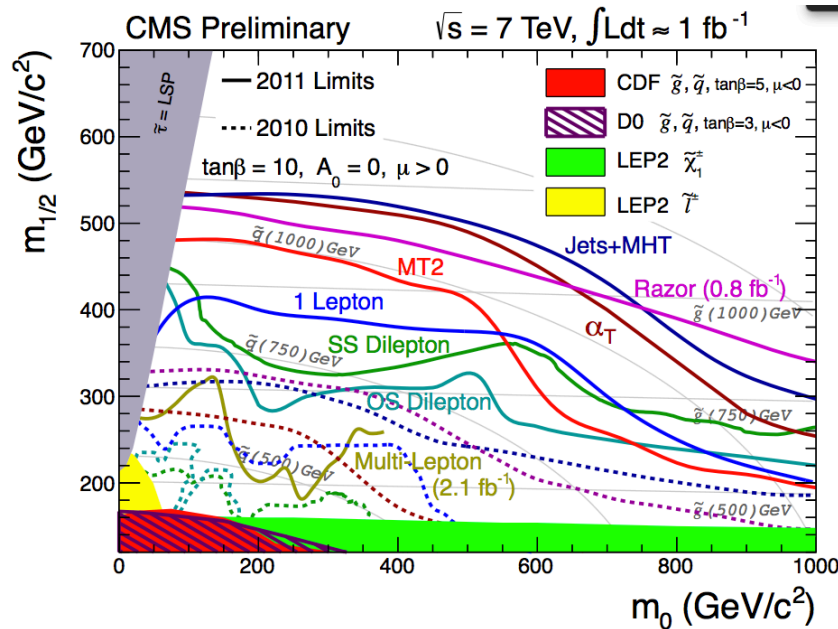
- Force weakest when communicating to third generation
  - Stop squarks lighter than other squarks ✓
- Higgs not charged under flavor force
  - Higgs automatically lighter than squarks ✓
- Only allowed to have  $SU(3)_F$  force
  - Explanation for degeneracy of first two generations ✓
- No new charged matter introduced at low scales
  - Unification ✓

Backup 1 hour talk slides



# A New Age

- Veil over TeV-scale physics is lifting
- LHC data is pouring in



What does all this information mean?

- Implications for ideas of unification of fundamental forces, new physics, etc?

# Plan

- Brief overview of Supersymmetry (SUSY)
  - Theoretical successes
  - Experimental puzzles
  - What we expected at LHC
- Implications of LHC results so far on SUSY
- New Flavors of Supersymmetry
  - Theoretical ideas
  - Experimental predictions

# The Standard Model

- Incredibly effective theory
- Is it an effective theory?
- Why anything else?
  - Dark Matter?
  - Neutrino masses?
  - Flavor structures?
  - Unification?

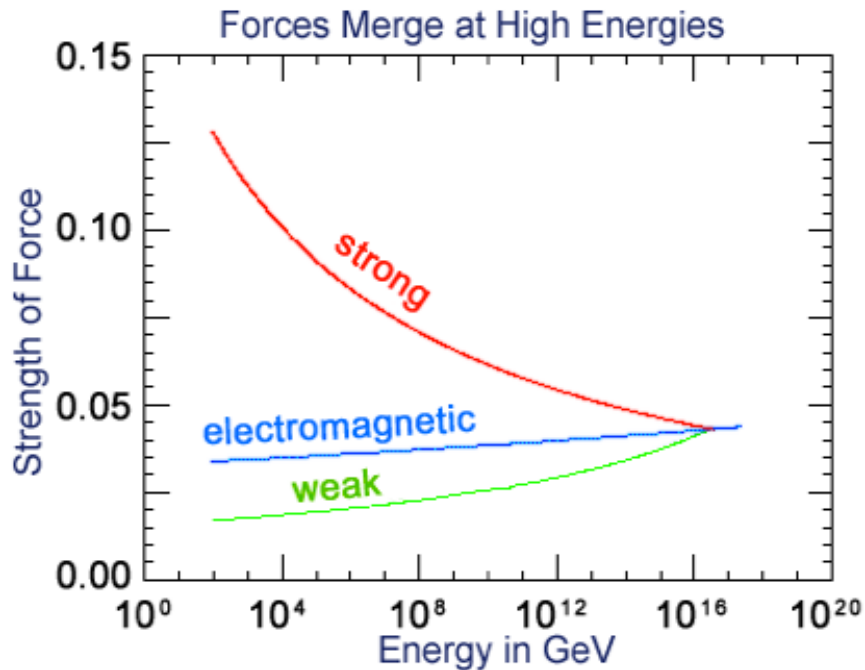
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# Unification

- Perhaps the strength of known forces unites at high energies into one Grand Unified Force?



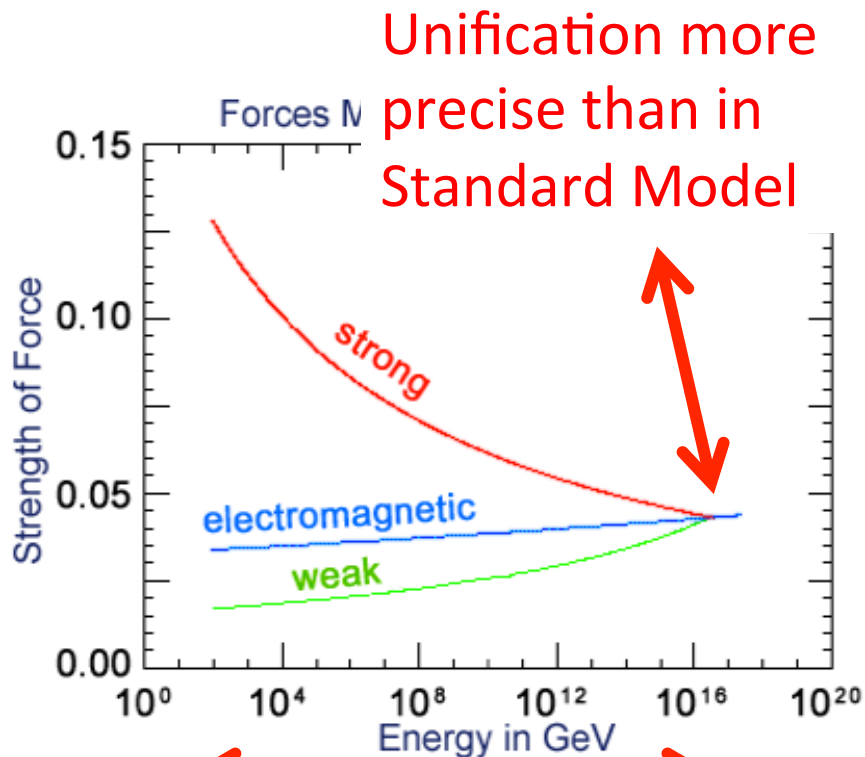
Particle Data Group

## Higgs and Unification

- Higgs as fundamental particle
- Mass typically dragged up to scale of any heavier particles
- If forces unify, then why is the Higgs so light?
- “Hierarchy Problem”

# Supersymmetry

- Theoretical framework offers answers



Higgs mass naturally lighter than physics at high energies

## Higgs and SUSY

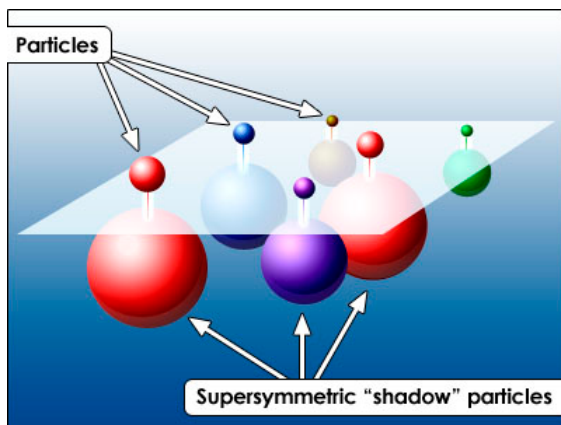
- Higgs is fundamental particle
- Quantum corrections cancel
- Higgs mass stable against physics at higher energies
- “Hierarchy Problem” solved

Dimopoulos, Georgi  
Dimopoulos, Raby, Wilczek

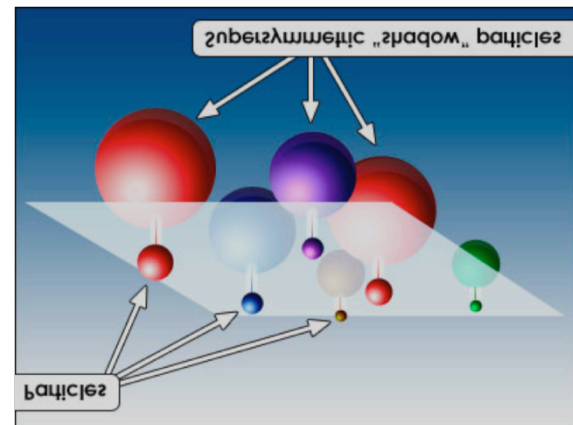
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# Supersymmetry Redux

- No superpartners observed
- Supersymmetry broken, superpartners heavy:



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PDG

- Not too heavy, otherwise reintroduce hierarchy problem.
- (Unless you fine-tune corrections to cancel)

# SUSY Naturalness

- SUSY removes  $\delta(m^2) \sim \Lambda^2$  divergences

- Tree-level:  $-m_Z^2/2 = |\mu|^2 + m_{H_u}^2$

- Higgsino masses from same superpotential term

$$W = \mu H_u H_d$$

- 20% fine-tuning requires:

$$m_{\tilde{H}} \lesssim 200 \text{ GeV}$$

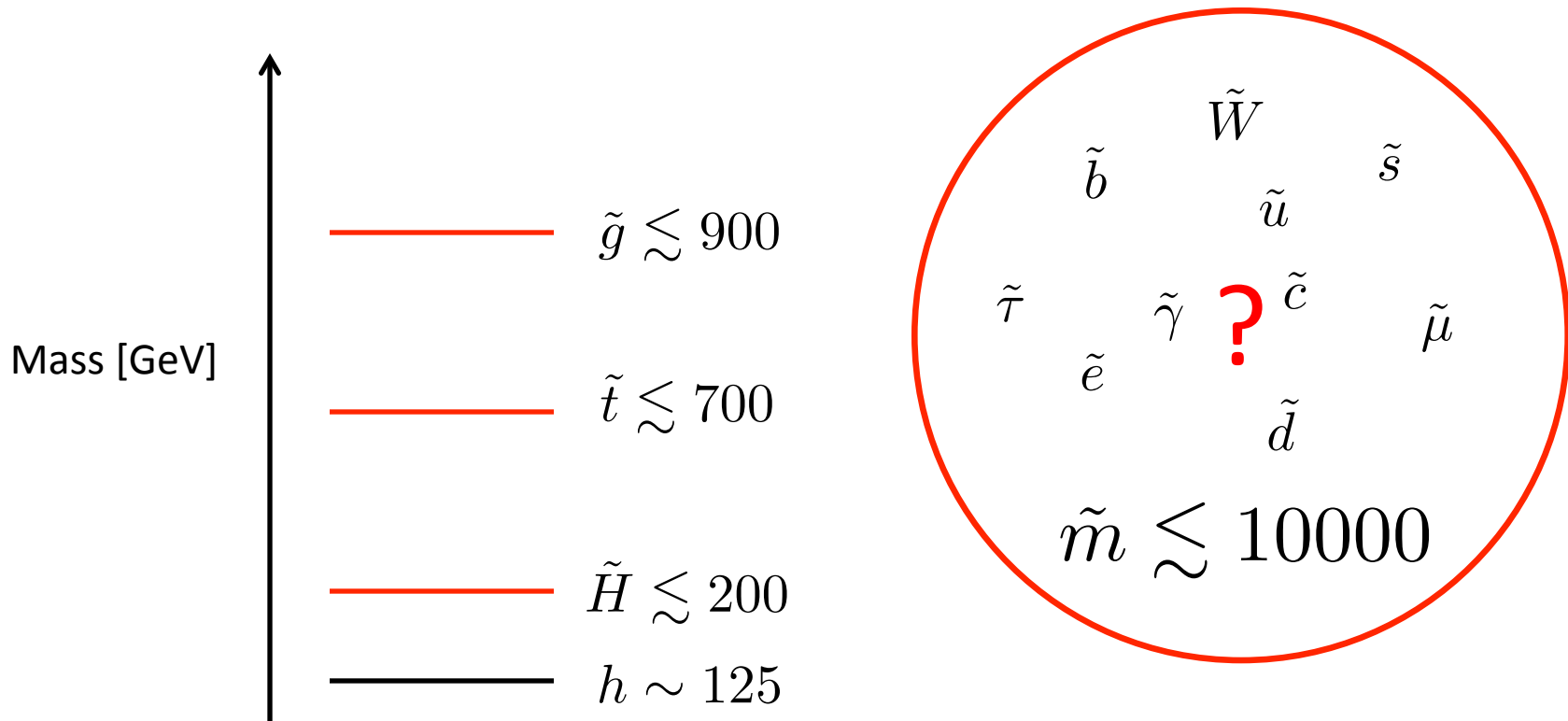
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- Gluino:  $\frac{2y_t^2}{\pi^2} \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right) |M_3|^2 \log^2\left(\frac{\Lambda}{\text{TeV}}\right)$
- For 20% fine-tuning:  $m_{\tilde{t}} \lesssim 700 \text{ GeV}$   
 $m_{\tilde{G}} \lesssim 900 \text{ GeV}$



# SUSY Naturalness

- If Higgs mass not fine-tuned, then at least require a spectrum of states like

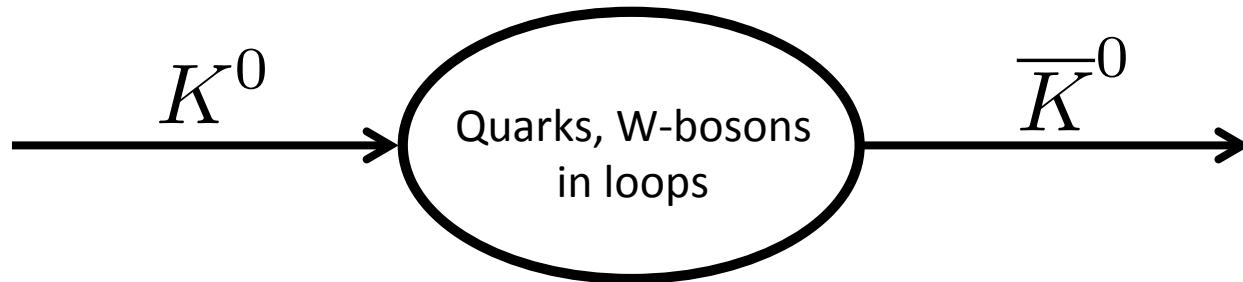


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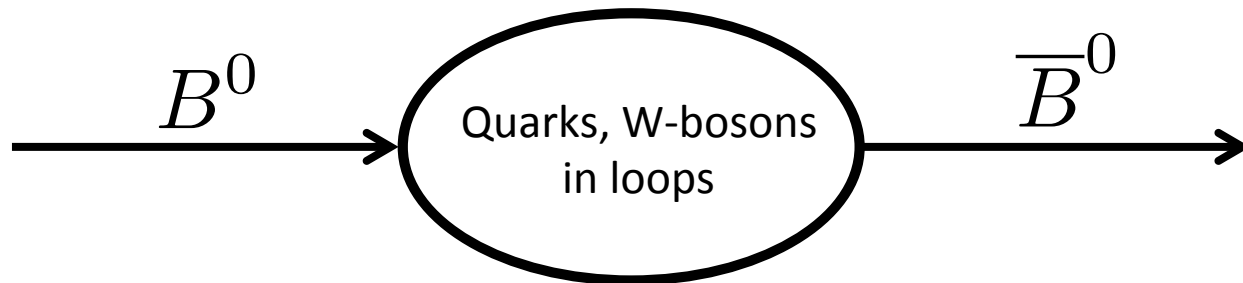
- Hierarchy problem solved (naturally) ✓
- Hopes for unification ✓
- Opportunity to solve other mysteries
  - Dark matter candidates ✓
  - Cosmological baryon asymmetry ?
  - ....
- What about the other consequences?

# Flavor Physics

- Rate of meson oscillations predicted in Standard Model



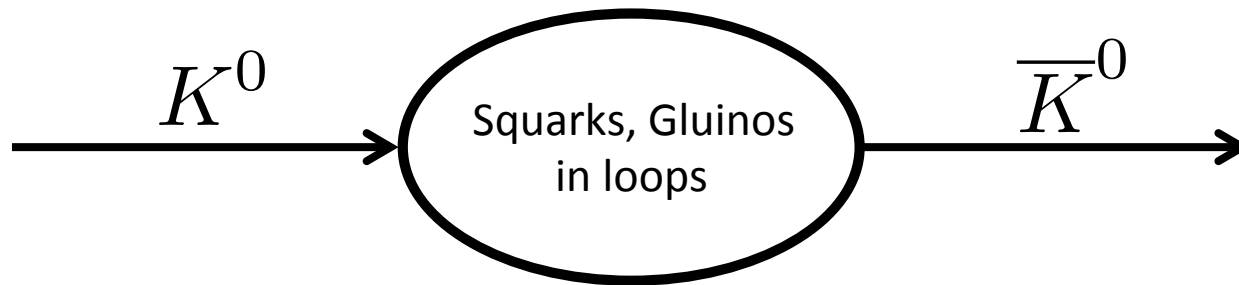
- Measured extremely accurately
- Also:



- Decent agreement with predictions

# SUSY Flavlore

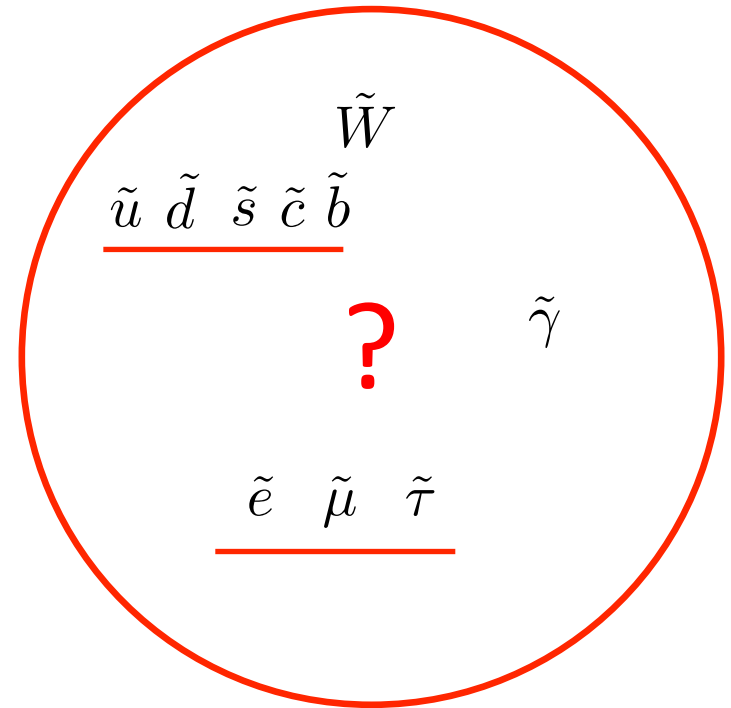
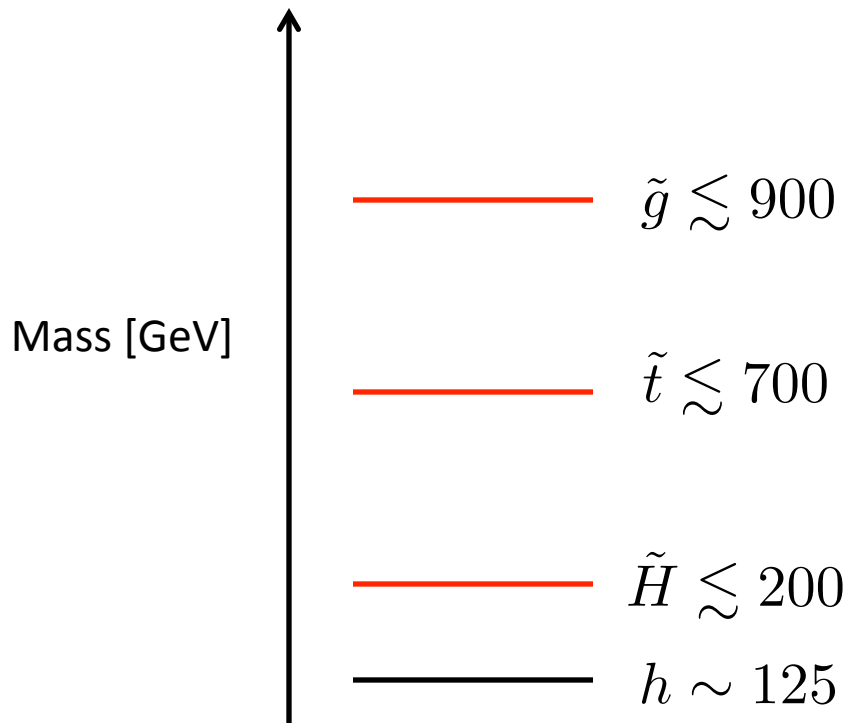
- New particles contribute to rates



- Random spectrum of masses not viable
  - SUSY contributions far too great
- If squarks in loop are mass-degenerate then extra contributions cancel
- Degeneracy: within measured rates

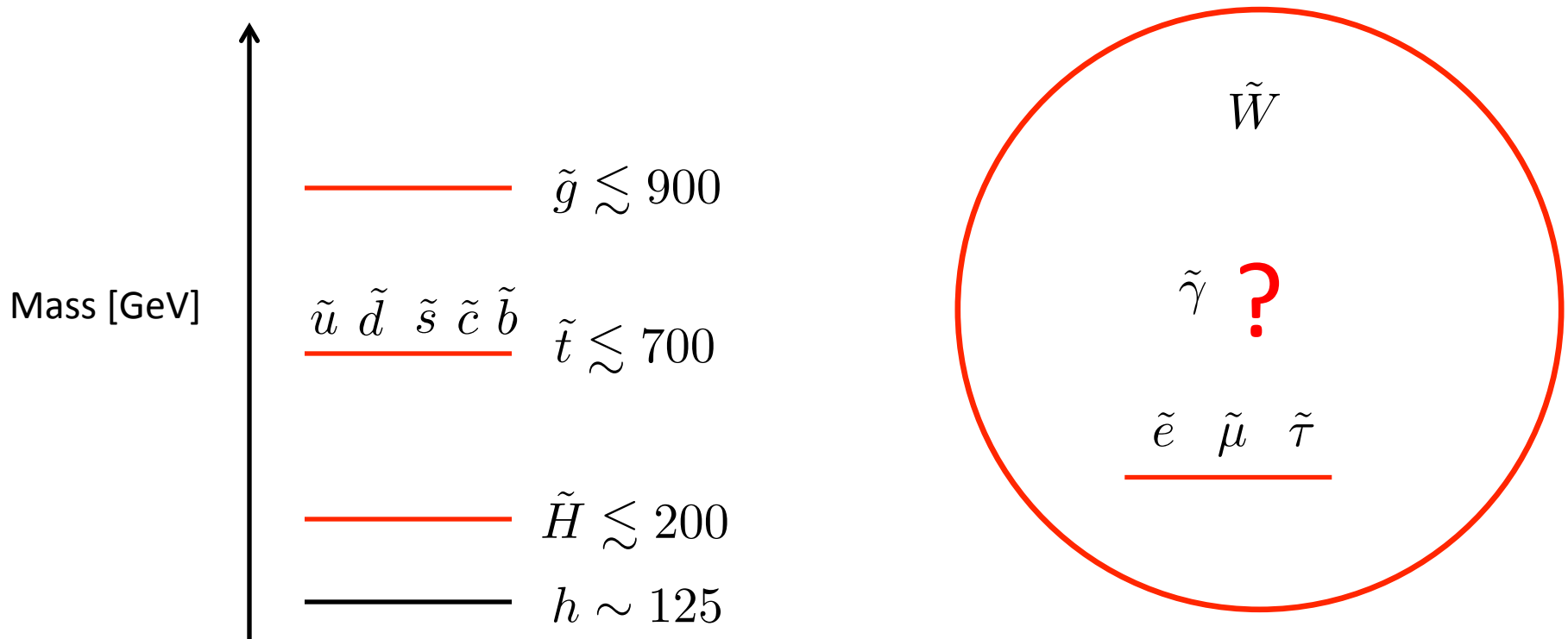
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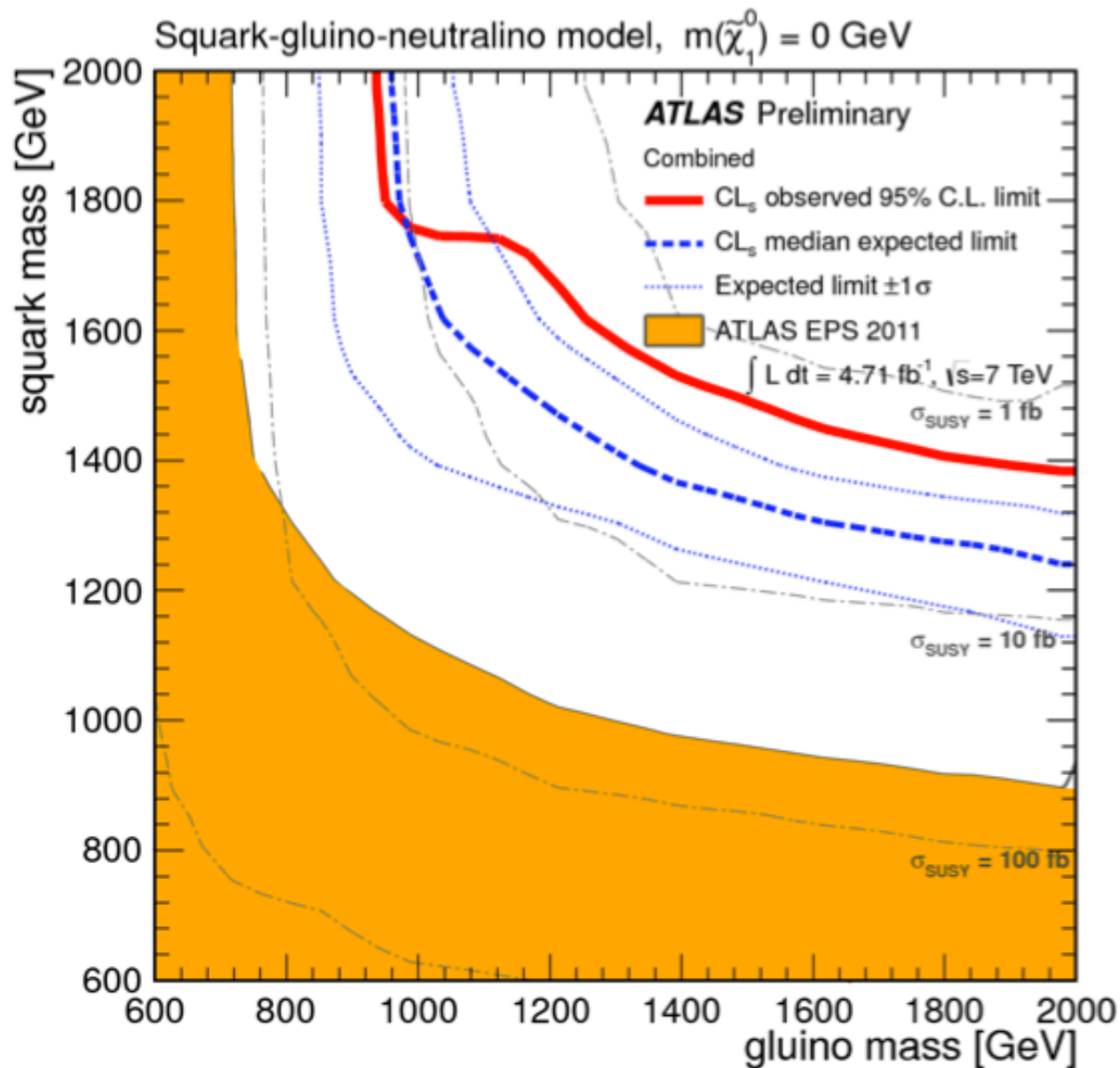
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Easily observable at the LHC!

# SUSY and the LHC

- Oops...



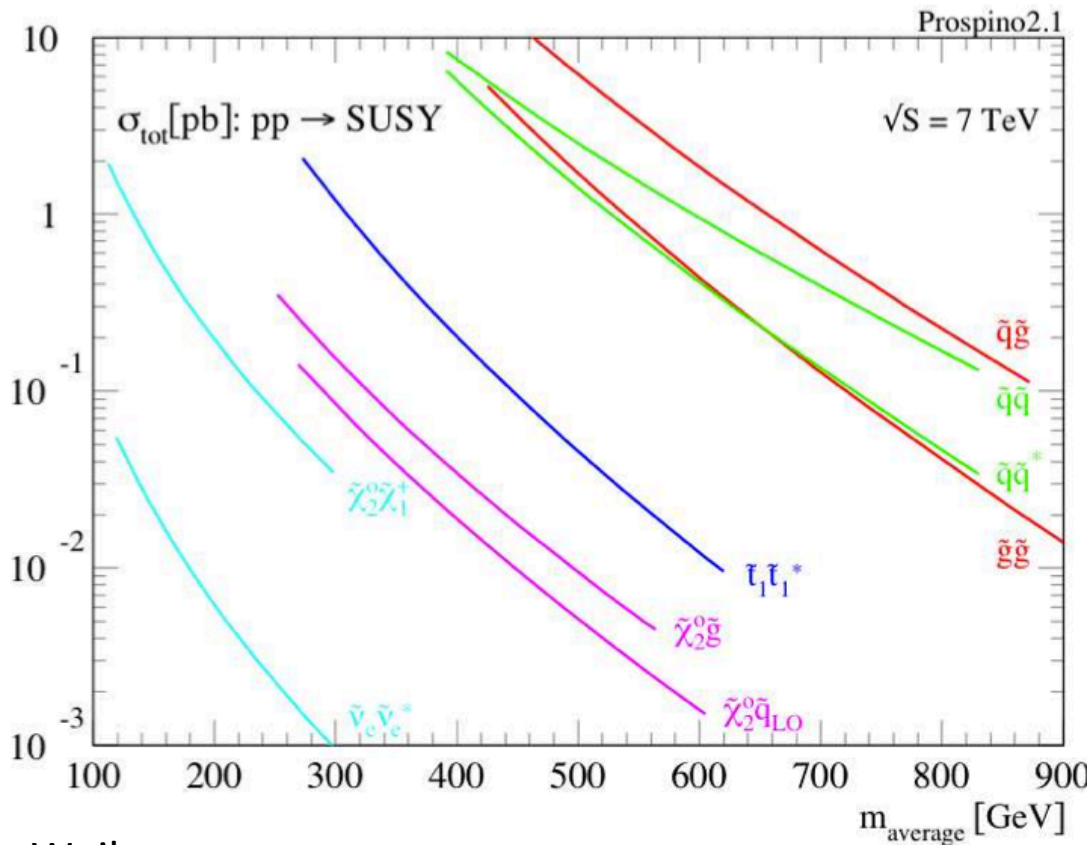
# Whither Supersymmetry?

- Historical bias towards most easily discoverable (natural) models?
- Impression that simplest models, are SUSY?
- Experimentalists rapidly exploring possibilities
- Have theorists missed attractive possibilities?

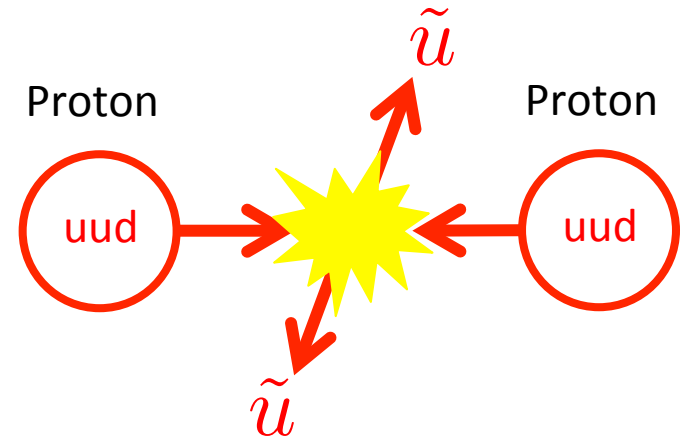


# Supersymmetry

- Other possibilities?
- Bounds driven by



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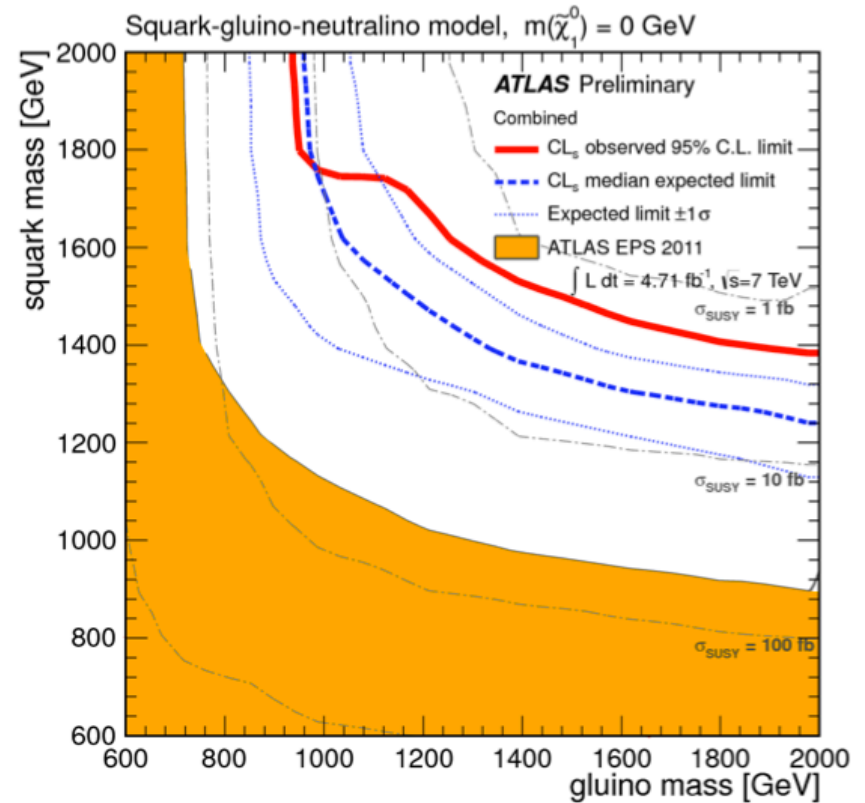


Proton made up of valence quarks

Produce “valence” squarks easily

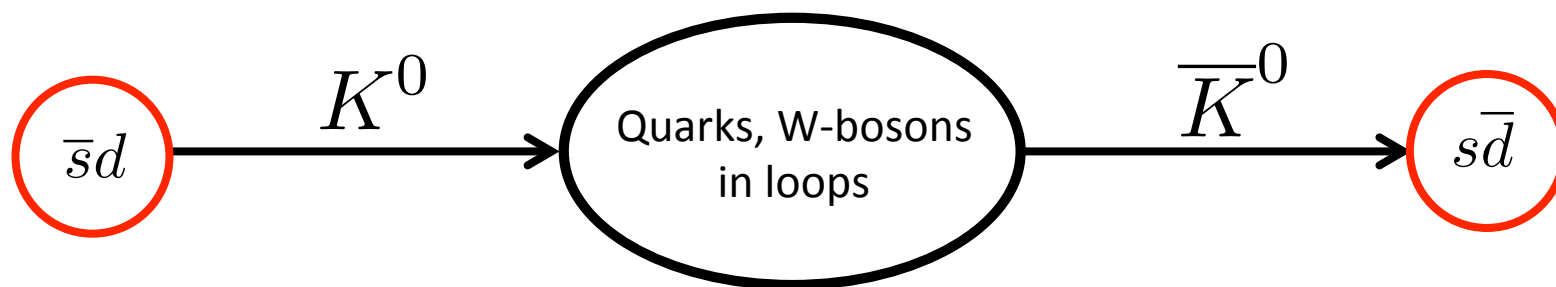
# Supersymmetry

- Bounds on degenerate mass squarks driven by production of Up and Down squarks.
- Limits on other squarks implied by degeneracy.



# Natural SUSY

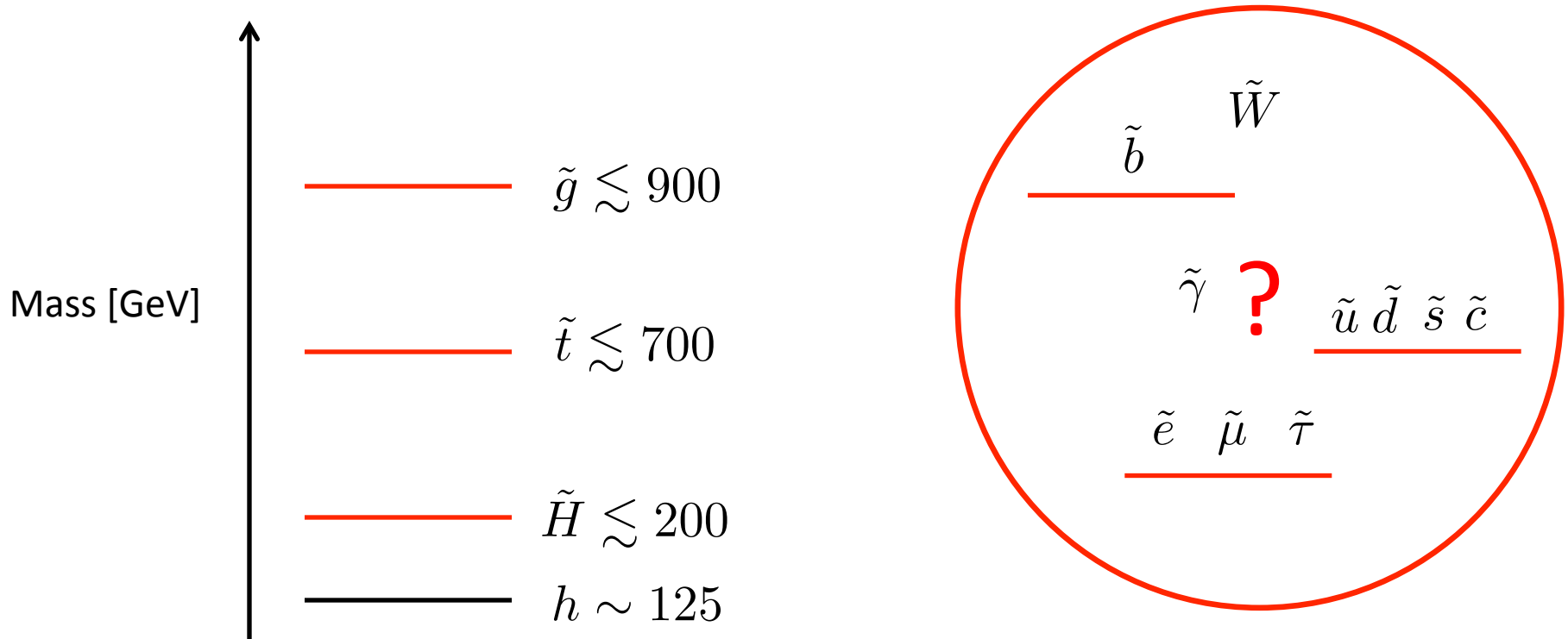
- Do we really need all squarks degenerate?



- Strongest bounds actually on up, down, strange, mesons.
- Only really need first two generations degenerate

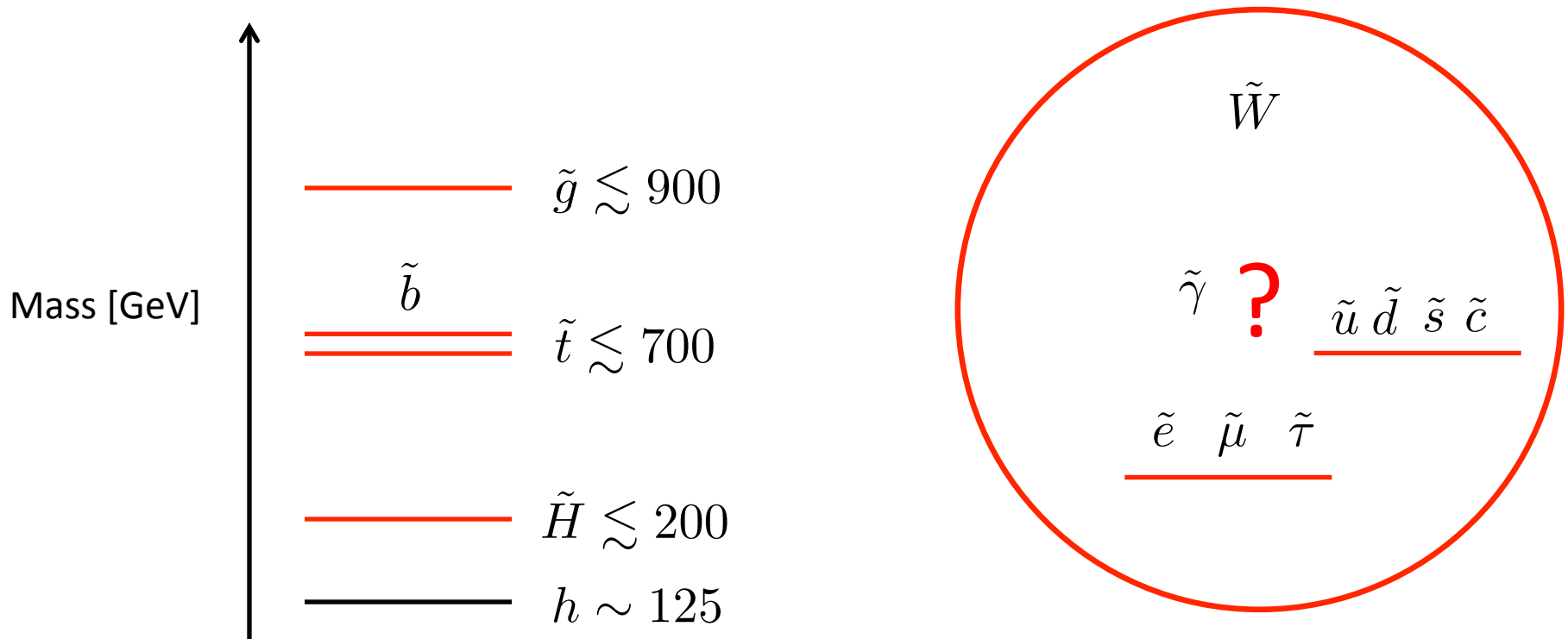
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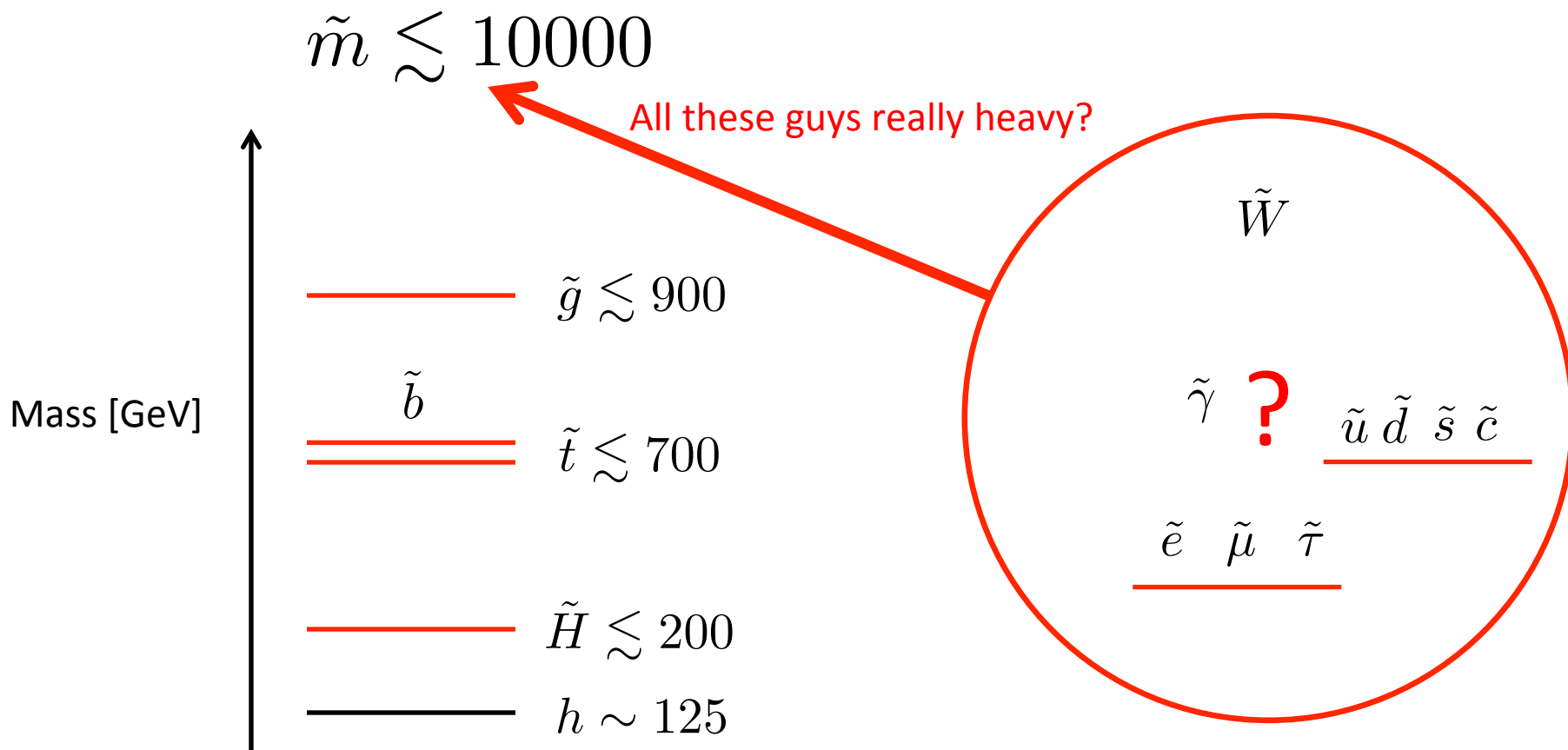
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Dimopoulos, Giudice

- What if...

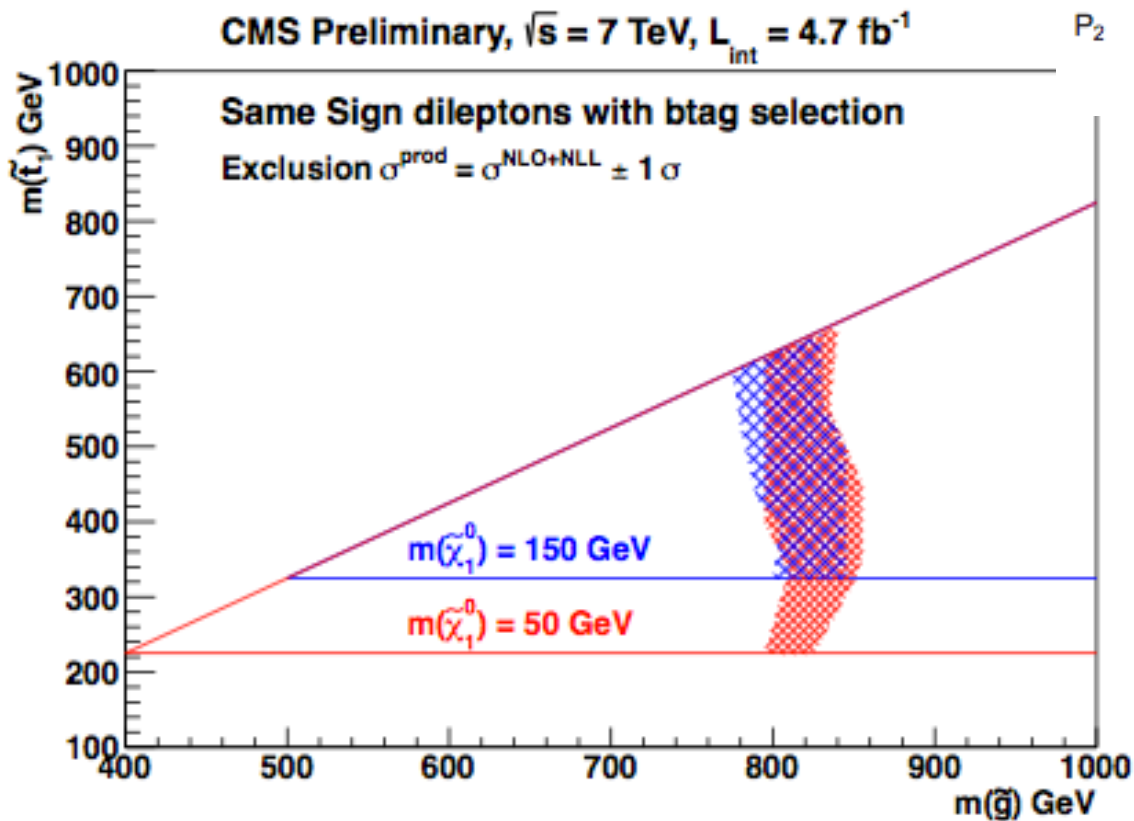
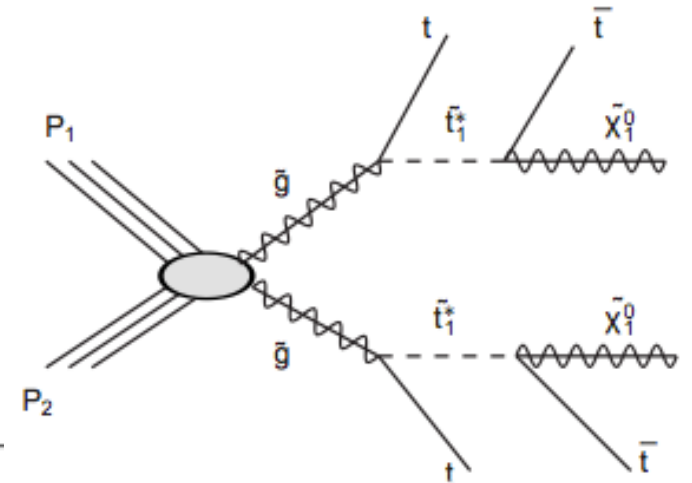


# Alternatives...

- Just allow tuning:
  - Split SUSY (Arkani-Hamed, Dimopoulos)
- Reason for delicate cancellation:
  - Focus Point (Feng, Matchev, Moroi)
- Dirac Gauginos:
  - Heavier gauginos natural (Fox, Nelson, Weiner, Kribs, Martin)
  - Flavor constraints weakened (Kribs, Poppitz, Weiner)
- R-parity violation:
  - No missing energy (Lots of people)

# Back to Natural SUSY

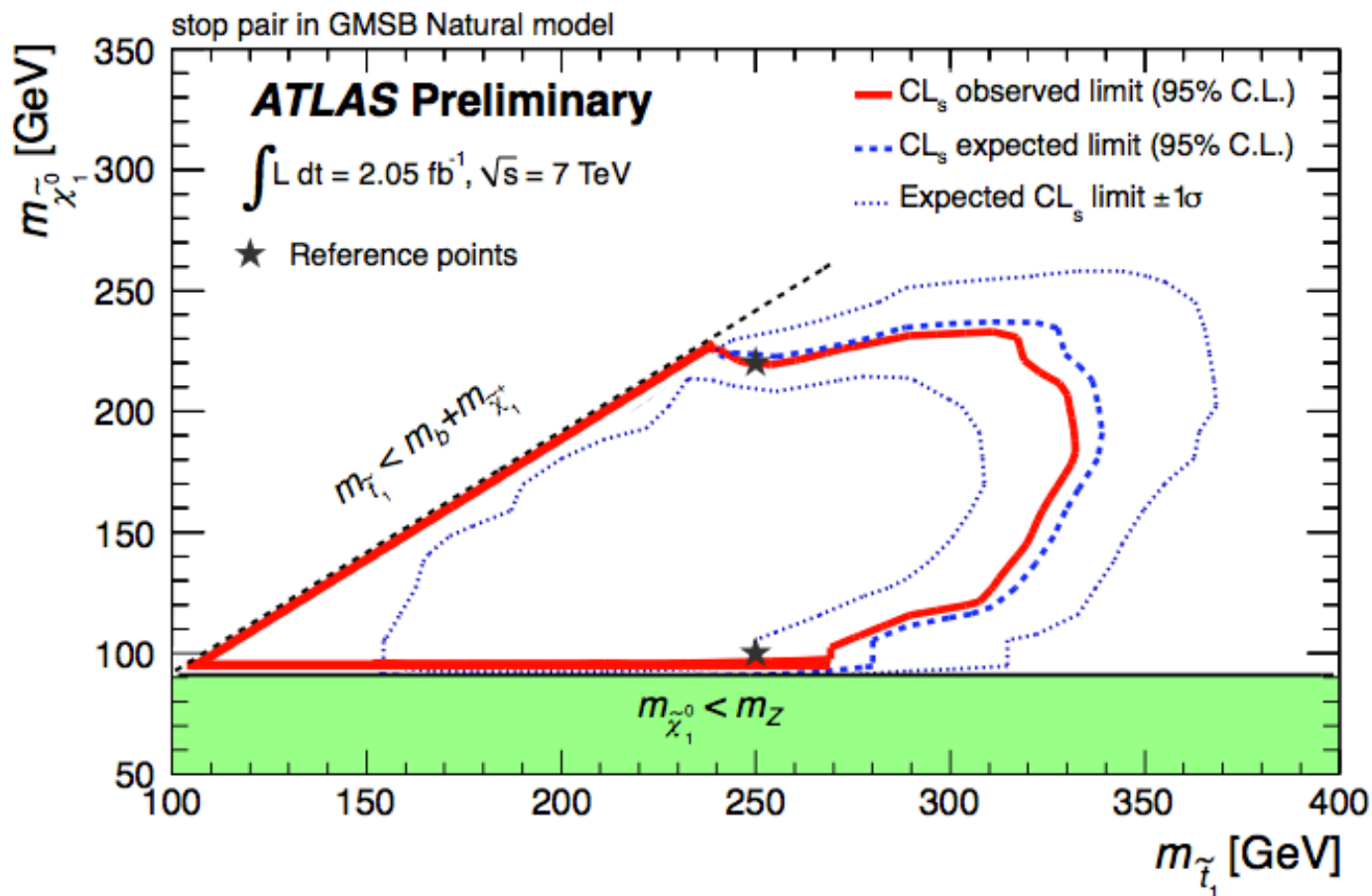
- LHC?
  - Gluino-production





# Natural SUSY

- LHC?
  - Top squark production



# Natural SUSY

- Theoretically looks contrived...
  - Why are top squarks lighter than others?
  - Why is the Higgs much lighter than other scalars?
  - Why are the first two generation squarks highly mass-degenerate?
- Known models/explanations
  - Often spoil unification
  - No explanation for high degree of degeneracy

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This is a “flavor” puzzle, relating different generations

# Natural SUSY

- Where to start?
  - Historically successful route map:
    - Look for remnants of symmetry structures
    - Perhaps those symmetries are gauged, i.e. become forces, at high energies
- Hints of symmetry in the SM
  - Approximate “flavor” symmetries in masses of quarks and leptons
  - Perhaps a flavor force could give insight to SUSY breaking?

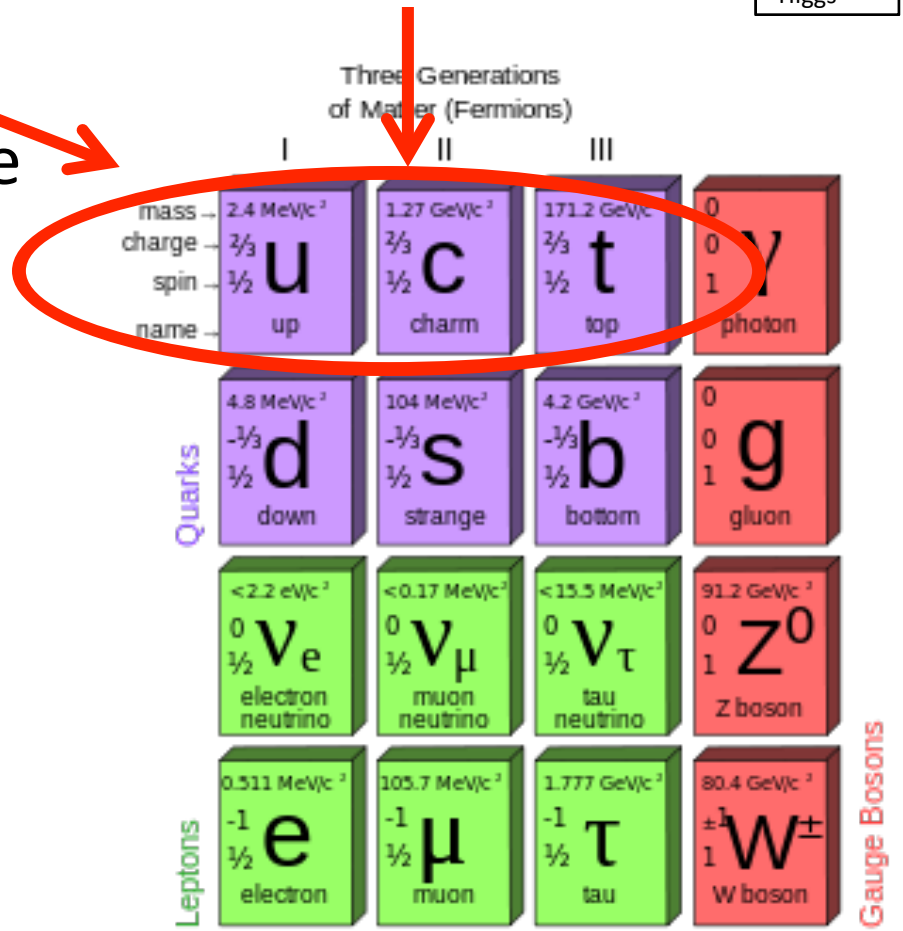
# New Flavors of SUSY

- Which flavor force?
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Flavor force transforms different generations into each other

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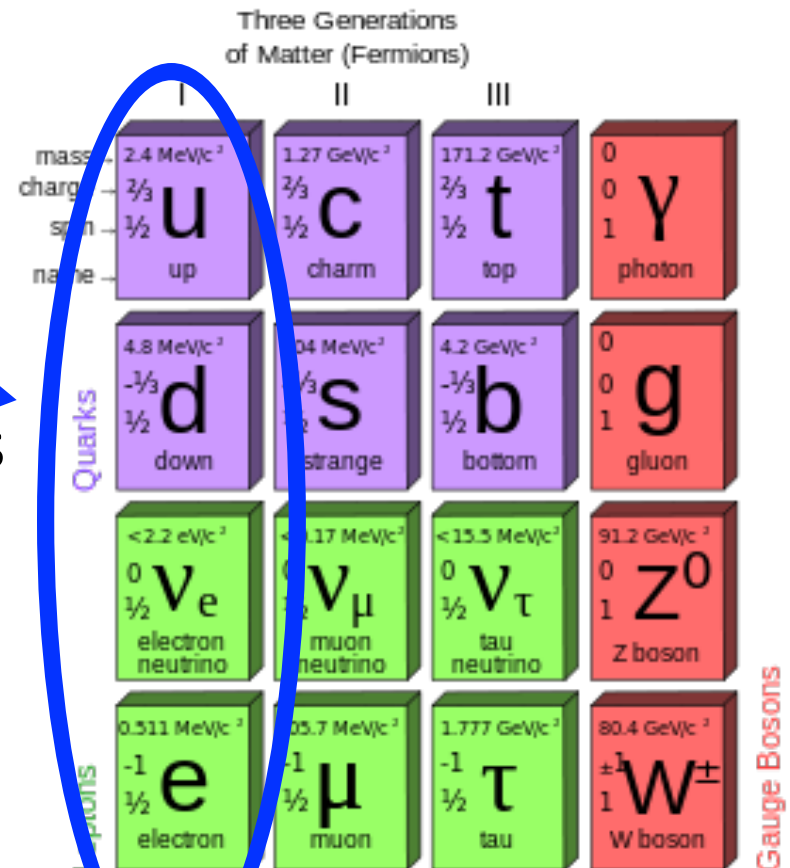
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- Will it unify?
  - Different matter particles with same flavor charge
- Is it consistent?
  - Must be anomaly-free

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Higgs

Three Generations of Matter (Fermions)

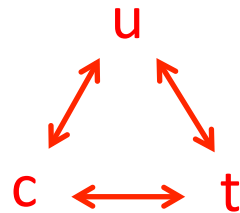
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mass	2.4 MeV/c <sup>2</sup>	1.27 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	171.2 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	0
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spin	1/2	1/2	1/2	1
name	<b>u</b> up	<b>c</b> charm	<b>t</b> top	<b>γ</b> photon
	4.8 MeV/c <sup>2</sup>	104 MeV/c <sup>2</sup>	4.2 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	0
	-1/3	-1/3	-1/3	0
	1/2	1/2	1/2	1
Quarks	<b>d</b> down	<b>s</b> strange	<b>b</b> bottom	<b>g</b> gluon
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	<b>ν<sub>e</sub></b> electron neutrino	<b>ν<sub>μ</sub></b> muon neutrino	<b>ν<sub>τ</sub></b> tau neutrino	<b>Z<sup>0</sup></b> Z boson
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	-1	-1	-1	+1
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Leptons	<b>e</b> electron	<b>μ</b> muon	<b>τ</b> tau	<b>W<sup>±</sup></b> W boson
				Gauge Bosons



# New Flavors of SUSY

- Candidate flavor force exists!
  - No anomalies
  - Consistent with unification
  - No need to add extra light charged particles
  - Like a “flavor QCD”  $SU(3)_F$

- Flavor force rotates quark flavors



- Such processes very strongly constrained

# New Flavors of SUSY

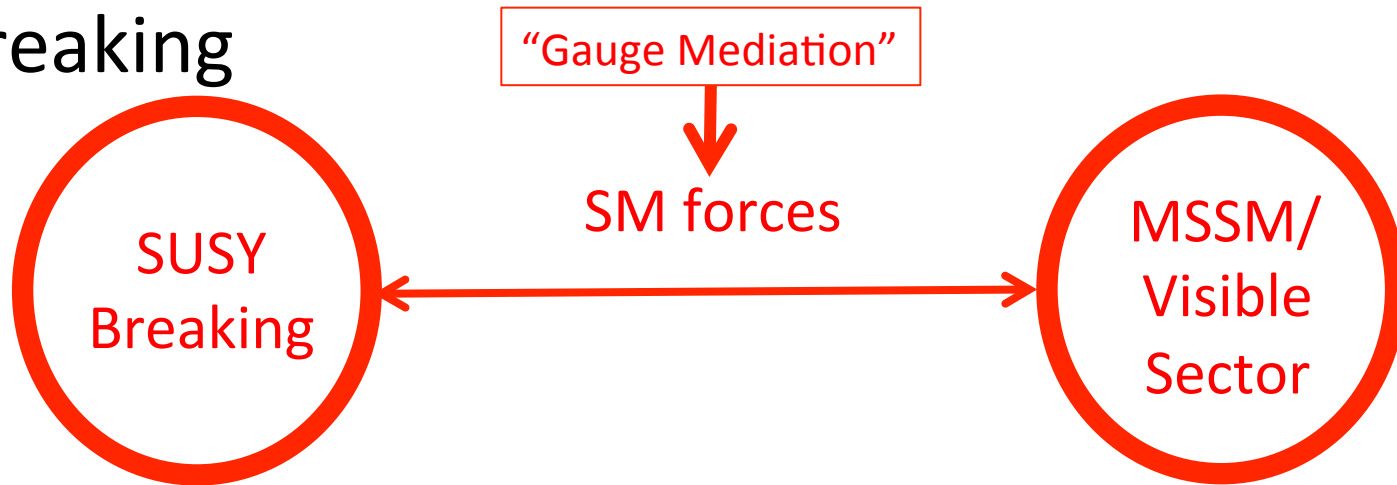
- Flavor forces not observed
  - Must be broken at high scales
  - Analogous to breaking of electroweak symmetry
  - Take flavor structure as input, i.e. spurions
- “Flavor Higgs” proportional to quark masses

$$\langle \Phi_F \rangle \propto \begin{pmatrix} 172.9 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1.29 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.0017 \end{pmatrix}$$

- More breaking = weaker force

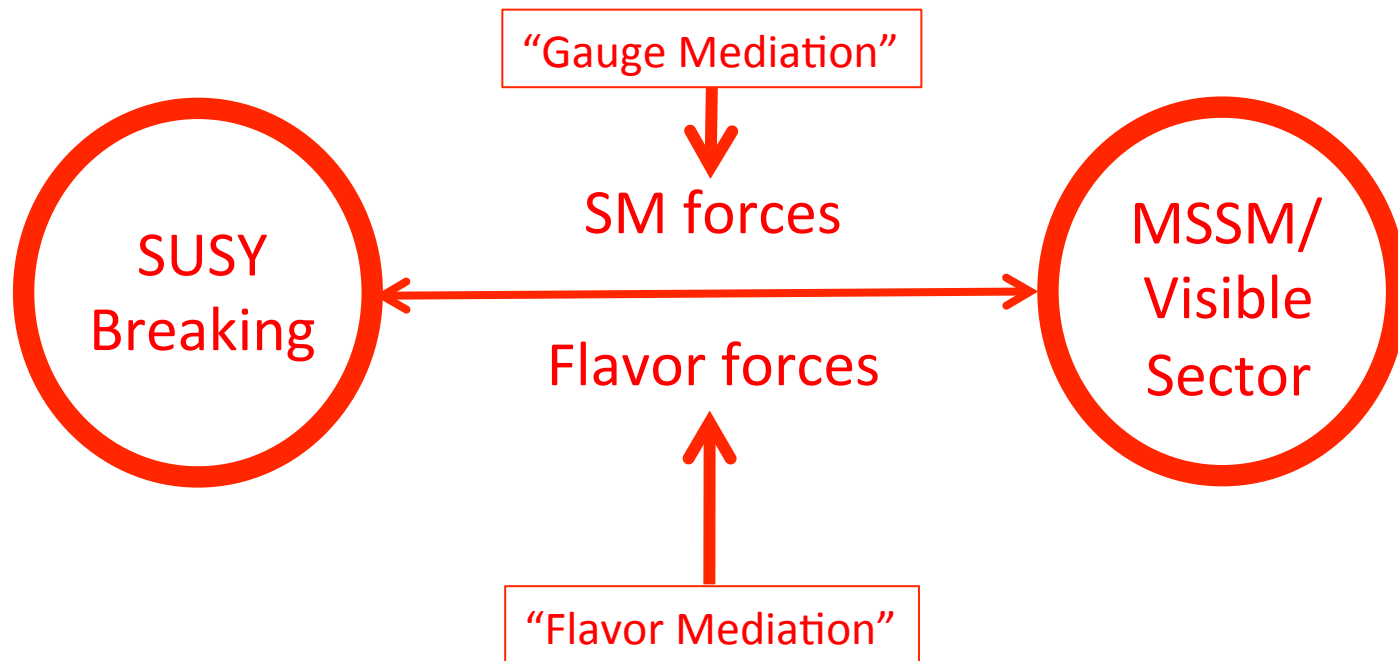
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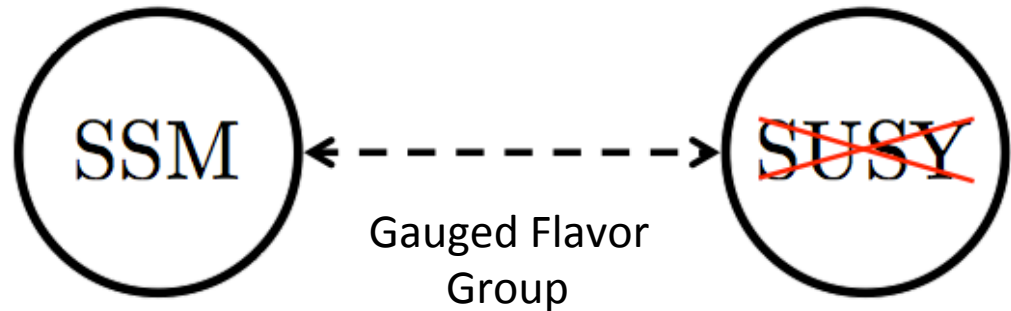
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- Maybe flavor forces do too?
  - Kaplan & Kribs, 1999:  $U(1)$
  - Craig, MM Thaler, 2012: Non-Abelian

# Calculating

- Mediate via



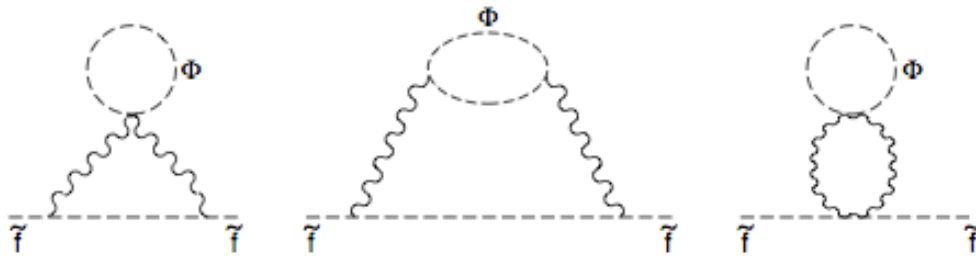
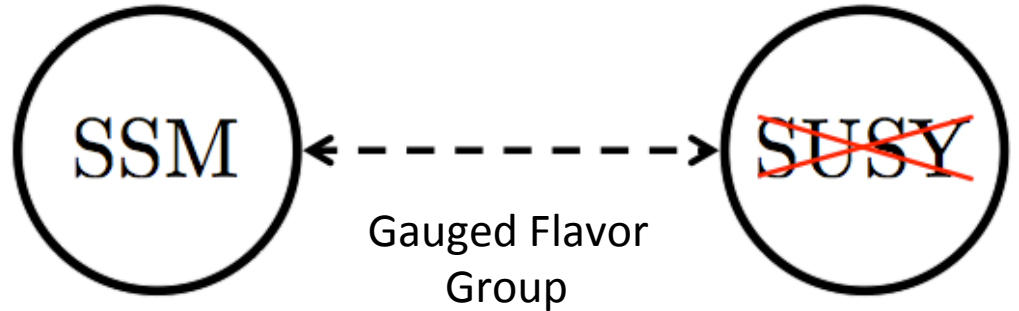
- MSSM fields charged under flavor symmetry
- Charge “messengers” under gauge symmetry and couple to SUSY breaking:

$$W = X \bar{\Phi} \Phi$$

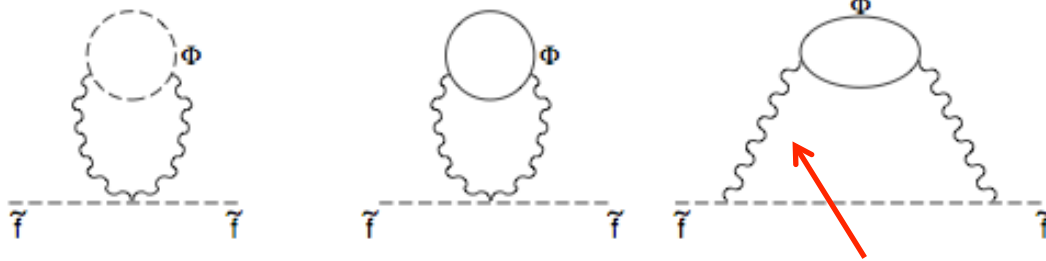
$$\langle X \rangle = M + \theta^2 F$$

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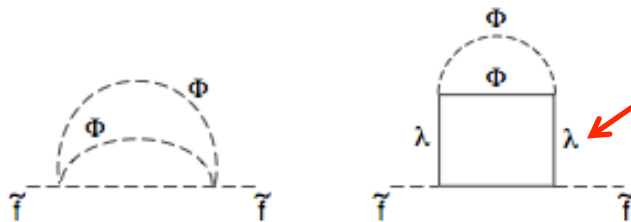
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Soft masses at two loops



$M_V^2$



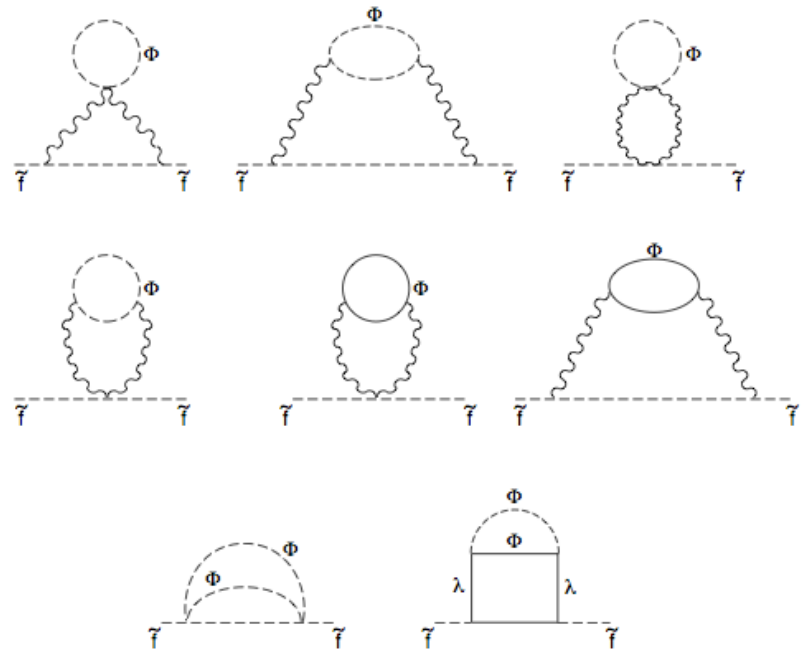
Flavor group broken:  
Massive gauge superfields complicates calculation

# Calculating

- Two thresholds:  $M$  and  $M_V$ , as well as SUSY breaking scale  $F$
- Can sum all Feynman diagrams

- (Gorbatov & Sudano)

- Complicated



# Calculating

- Or, to lowest order in  $F$  can find result from one supergraph (Craig, MM, Thaler)

$$\int d^4\theta \left( M_V^2 + g^2 |Q|^2 \right) \left( |M + \theta^2 F|^2 \right) = \text{sum of supergraphs} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{F}{M^2}\right)$$

$|M + \theta^2 F|^2$   
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# Calculating

- Final result greatly simplified:

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where

$$f(\delta) = 2 \frac{\delta(4-\delta)((4-\delta) + (\delta+2)\log(\delta)) + 2(\delta-1)\Omega(\delta)}{\delta(4-\delta)^3}$$

with

$$\Omega(\delta) = \sqrt{\delta(\delta-4)}(2\zeta(2)\log^2(\alpha) + 4\text{Li}_2(\alpha))$$

$$\alpha = \left( \sqrt{\frac{\delta}{4}} + \sqrt{\frac{\delta}{4} - 1} \right)$$


# SUSY ♥ SU(3) Flavor

- Unique anomaly-free  $SU(3)_F$  symmetry
- Superfields all fundamentals

$$Q, U^c, D^c, L, E^c$$

- Yukawa couplings from

$$W = \frac{1}{M_{S_u}} S_u H_u Q U^c + \frac{1}{M_{S_d}} S_d H_d Q D^c$$

  
 $\overline{\mathbf{6}}$  under  $SU(3)_F$

- Plenty of ways to generate these couplings

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- Numerous models/possibilities for this exist. Focus on implications for SUSY.
- Future: Flavor breaking model

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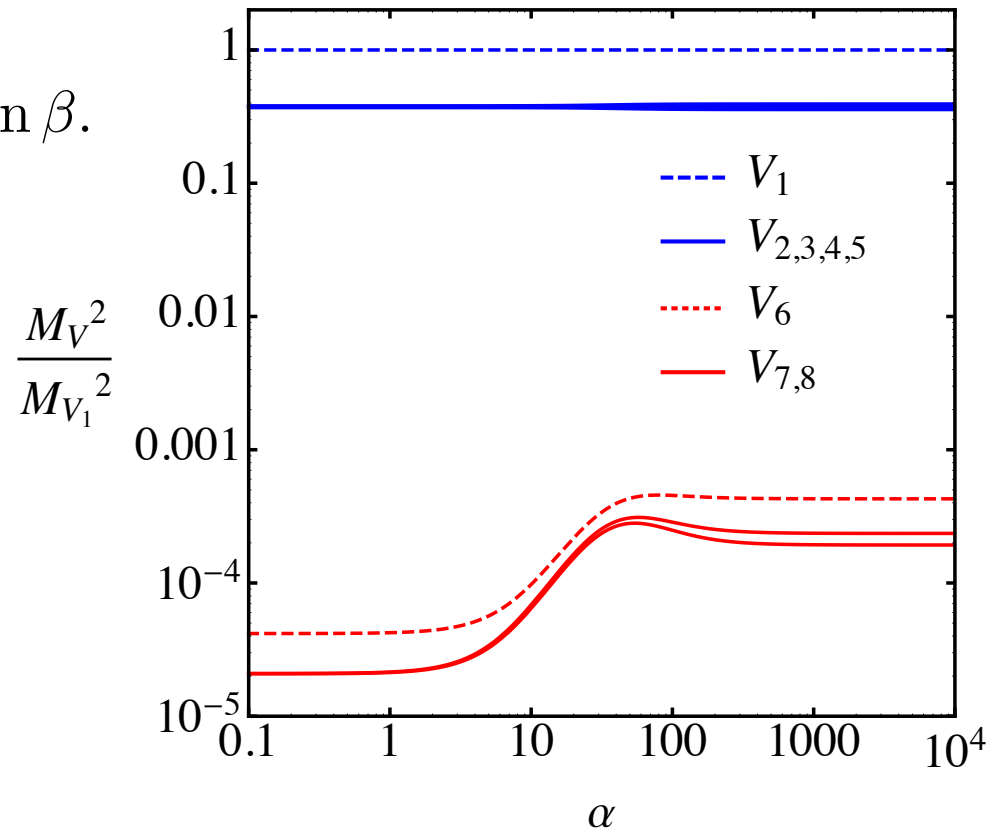
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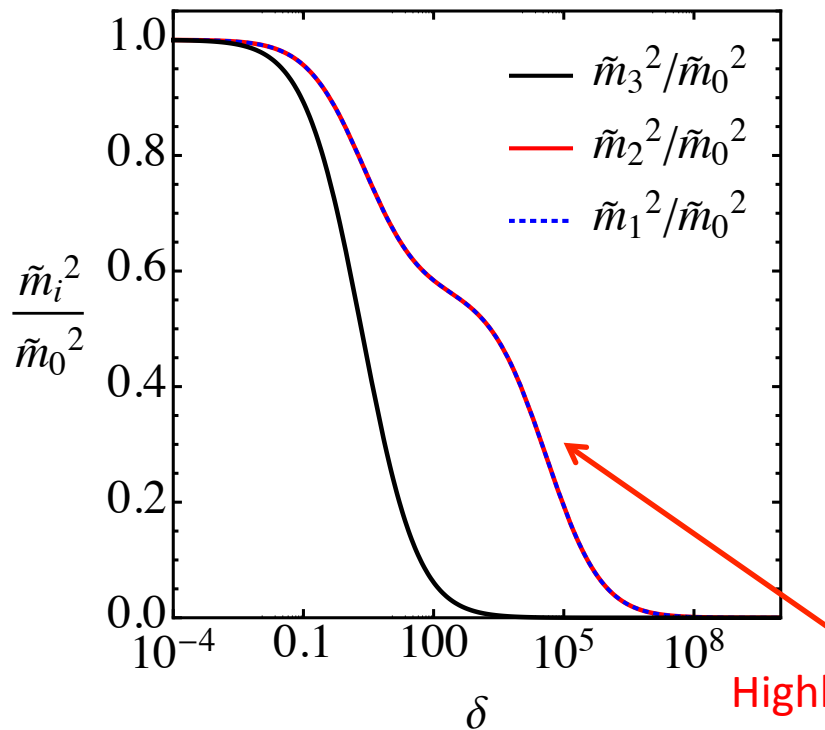
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- Can now determine flavor boson spectrum

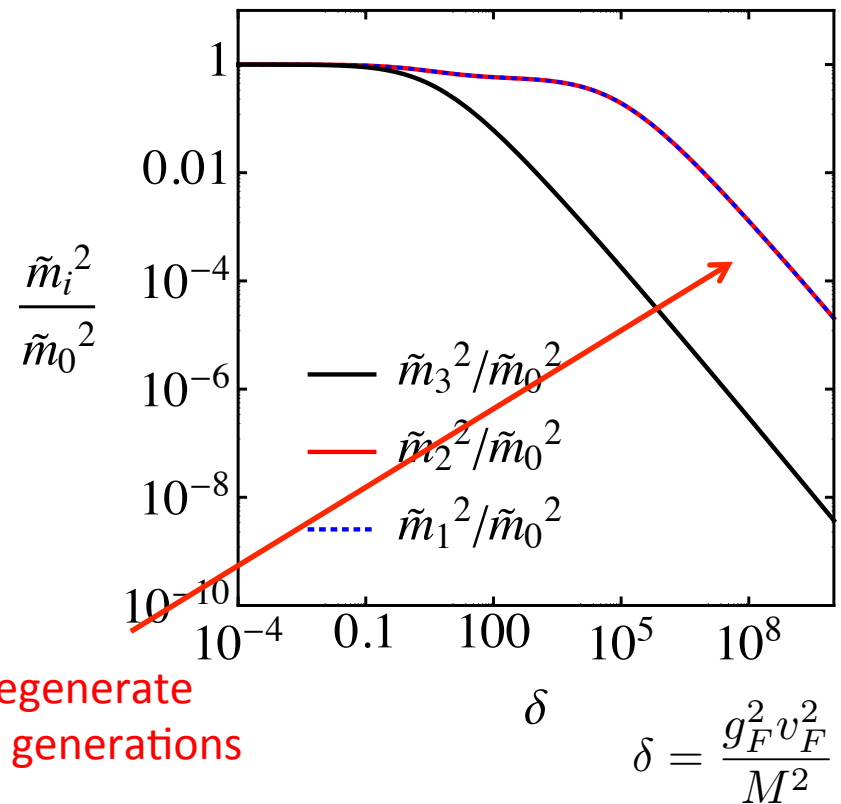


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- Easy to calculate the squark spectrum!



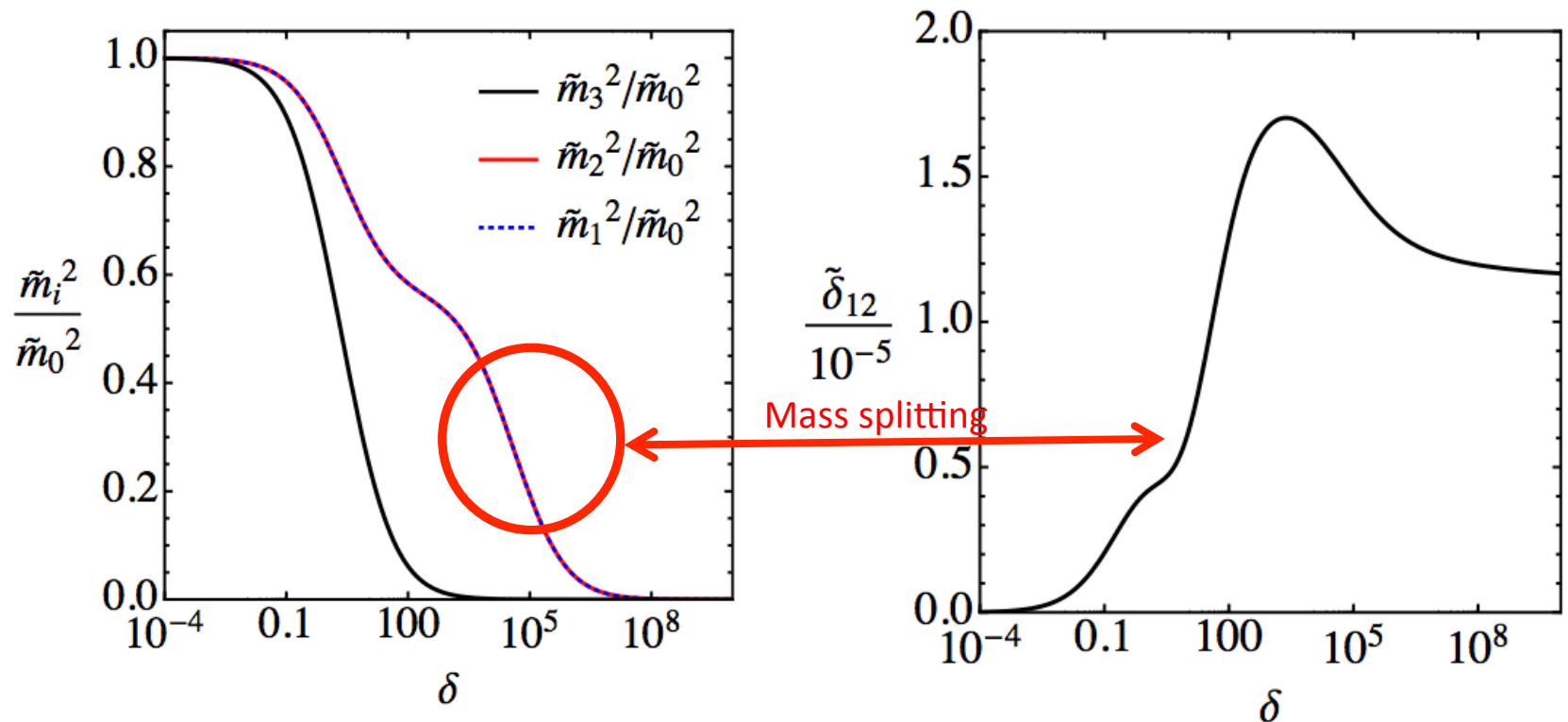
Highly degenerate  
first two generations



$$\delta = \frac{g_F^2 v_F^2}{M^2}$$

# SUSY ♥ SU(3) Flavor

- Zooming in...
- Flavor mediation makes first two generations highly degenerate!



# SUSY ♥ SU(3) Flavor

- Top mass breaks flavor force, weaker interaction with third generation

$$SU(3)_F \rightarrow SU(2)_F$$

- Third generation split from first two

$$\frac{\begin{array}{cccc} \tilde{u} & \tilde{d} & \tilde{s} & \tilde{c} \\ \hline \tilde{t} & \tilde{b} & & \end{array}}{\Rightarrow \frac{\begin{array}{cccc} \tilde{u} & \tilde{d} & \tilde{s} & \tilde{c} \\ \hline & & & \\ \hline \tilde{t} & \tilde{b} & & \end{array}}$$

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- Charm mass breaks remaining flavor force

$$SU(2)_F \rightarrow \emptyset$$

- Remaining flavor force broken
- No remaining flavor force to split off first generation

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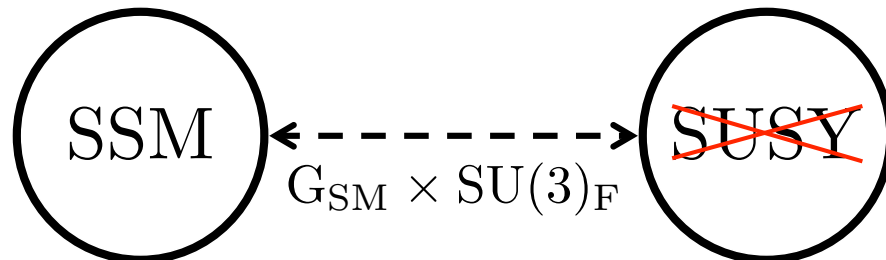
- What about off-diagonal terms?
- Calculate using same formalism

$$\tilde{m}^2 \approx \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{m}_2^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \tilde{m}_2^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \tilde{m}_3^2 \end{pmatrix} + (\tilde{m}_2^2 - \tilde{m}_3^2) \frac{v_{d3}^2}{v_{u3}^2 + v_{d3}^2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cos(\delta_{\text{CKM}})|V_{13}| \\ 0 & 0 & |V_{23}| \\ \cos(\delta_{\text{CKM}})|V_{13}| & |V_{23}| & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Intuitive understanding of this.
- Dominant terms from mismatch with down-quark mass eigenstates.

# SUSY ♥ SU(3) Flavor

- So far, just squarks (and sleptons). Need a more complete model.
- Philosophy: Flavor group just another SM gauge group broken at high scales. If flavor mediation, then expect flavor + standard gauge mediation.



# SUSY Flavor Mediation

- Now:
  - Gaugino masses: typical gauge-mediated
  - Higgs soft parameters: typical gauge-mediated
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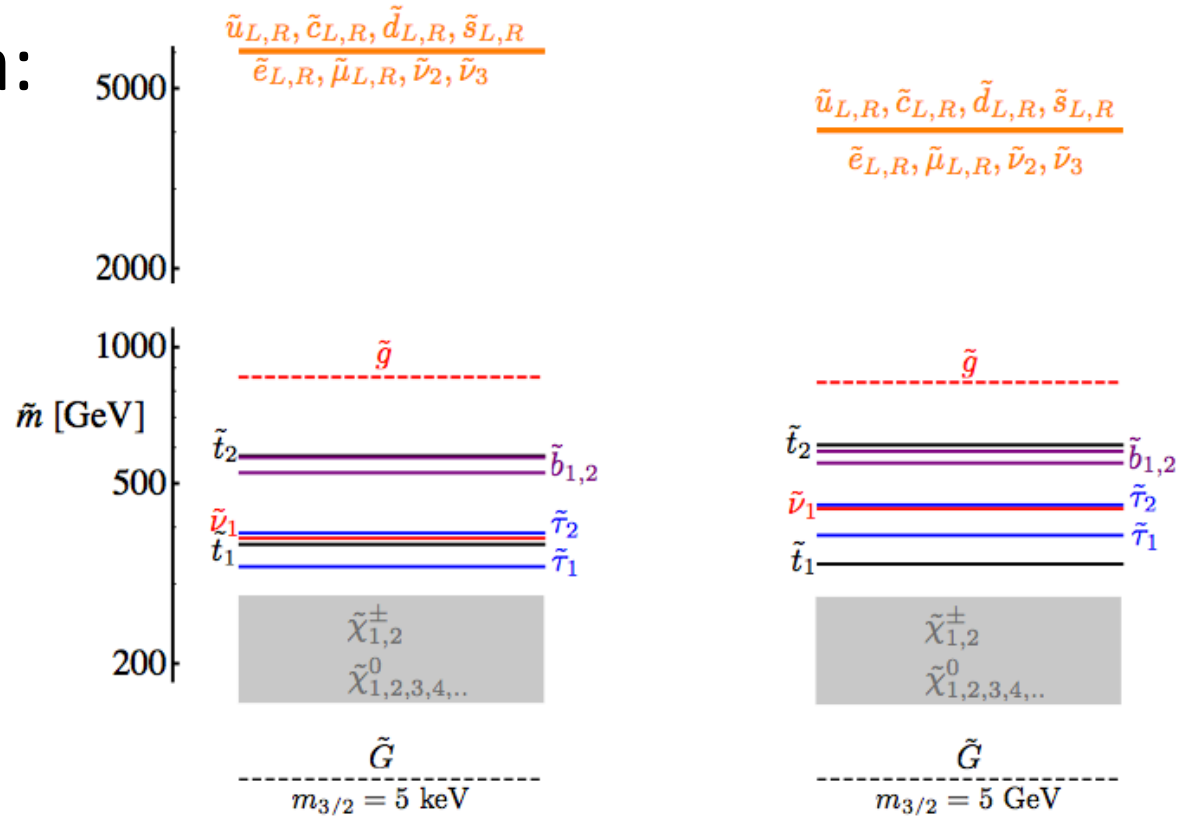
# SUSY ♥ Flavor Mediation

- Now:
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- Need explanation for 125 GeV Higgs mass.  
Choose SMSSM:

$$W_{\text{Higgs}} = \mu_H H_u H_d + \mu_S S^2 + \lambda S H_u H_d + f S + \kappa S^3.$$

# SUSY ♥ Flavor Mediation

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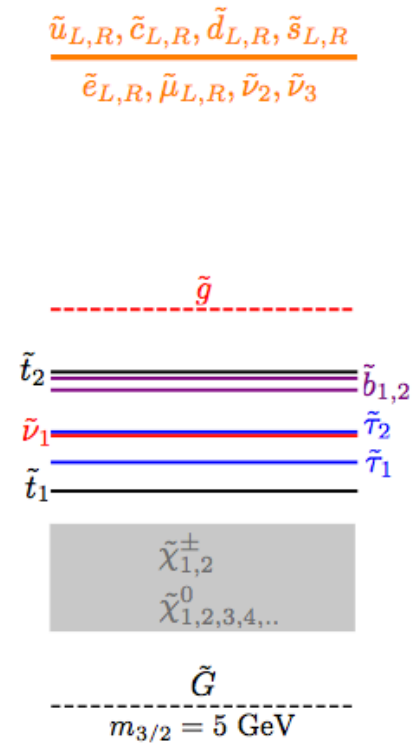
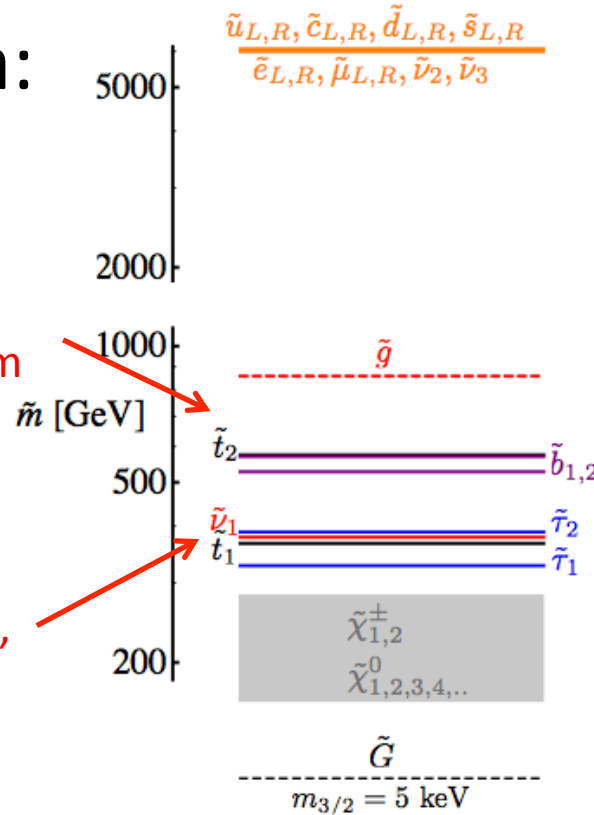
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- Typical spectra:

Another surprise: under RG heavy squarks drive stop masses down at two-loops, pushing them below gluinos.

Third generation sleptons and right-handed sbottoms also light, from anomaly cancellation.



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- Is this really flavor safe?
- Gauged flavor generates:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{g_F^2}{2M_{V_a}^2} (\bar{f}_M^i \gamma^\mu T_{ij}^a f_M^j) (\bar{f}_N^k \gamma_\mu T_{kl}^a f_N^l)$$

- Strongly constrained, requiring

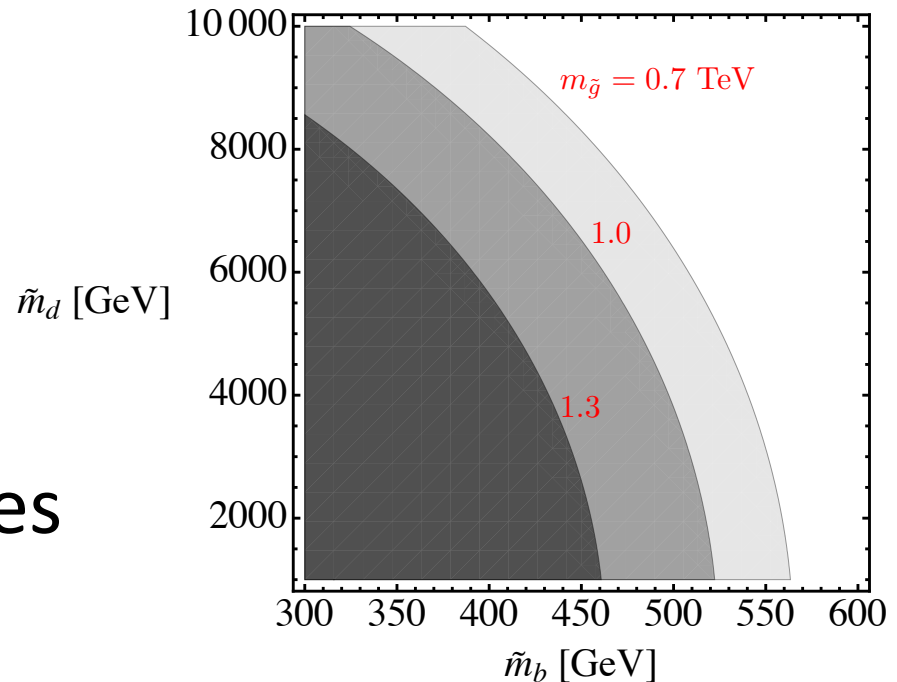
$$M_V \gtrsim 10^5 \text{ TeV}$$

- Just tells us that  $M \gtrsim 10^5 \text{ TeV}$ , preferring SUSY breaking to be at, or above, this scale

# SUSY ♥ Flavor Mediation

- FCNCs from gluino-squark box diagrams.
  - $K^0 \leftrightarrow \bar{K}^0$  below current limits, require CP phases to be small
  - $D^0 \leftrightarrow \bar{D}^0$  well below limits
  - $B_d^0 \leftrightarrow \bar{B}_d^0$  at current bounds

- Reach for B-factories

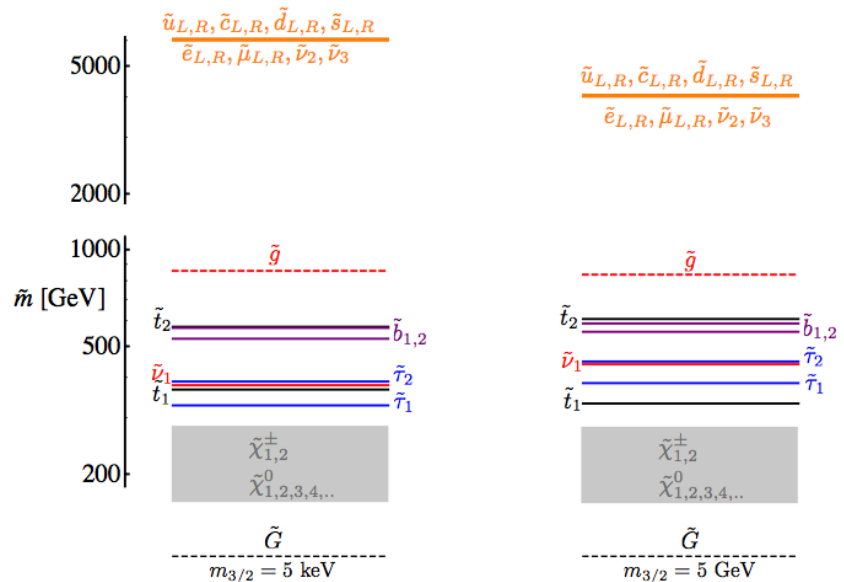


# SUSY ♥ Flavor Mediation

- Force weakest when communicating to third generation
  - Stop squarks lighter than other squarks ✓
- Higgs not charged under flavor force
  - Higgs automatically lighter than squarks ✓
- Only allowed to have  $SU(3)_F$  force
  - Explanation for degeneracy of first two generations ✓
- No new charged matter introduced at low scales
  - Unification ✓

# SUSY ♥ Flavor Mediation

- Current work:
  - Build a model for flavor-breaking sector
  - To what degree is “custodial” SU(2) symmetry preserved?
  - Generic spectrum Predictions?
  - RG analysis



# Conclusions

- LHC already excludes many supersymmetric models
- But natural SUSY still viable experimentally...
  - See e.g. Papucci, Ruderman, Weiler
- And theoretically in good shape too.
- “Flavor Mediation”: a perturbative, unified model that explains natural SUSY spectrum
  - Alternatives:
    - Light stops from Seiberg duality (Csaki, Randall, Terning)
    - Split Families Unified (Craig, Dimopoulos, Gherghetta)
    - ...