

# Few (semi-trivial) Directions for top-BSM Searches\*

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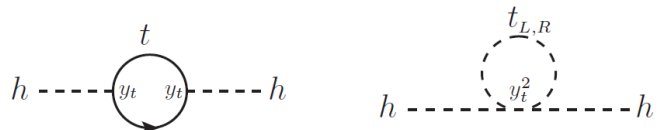
\* Avoid obvious motivations related to top mass or tot' Xsection measurements.

# Why the top is special from BSM perspective ?

- ◆ Given the Higgs the Standard Model (SM), is complete, with no new scales.  
(modulo gravity & the Landau pole of hypercharge & the universe decay lifetime)
- ◆ Neutrino masses, baryon asym' & dark matter => new physics scale unspecified!
- ◆ A hint: Higgs mass is additive, sensitive to microscopic scales. Within the SM it translates to arbitrary UV sensitivity. See: Giudice (13)
- ◆ Beyond the SM: any scale that couples to the Higgs (or even to tops, gauge ...) will induce a large shift to the Higgs mass,  $\delta m_H^2 \approx \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} M^2$ . Farina, Pappadopulo & Strumia (13)
- ◆ Thus, even if we are to ignore gravity (strong assumption!) we are led to a desert-like scenario (end of phys., somehow resembles 19th century arguments ...).

# Naturalness => vague scale => LHC perspective

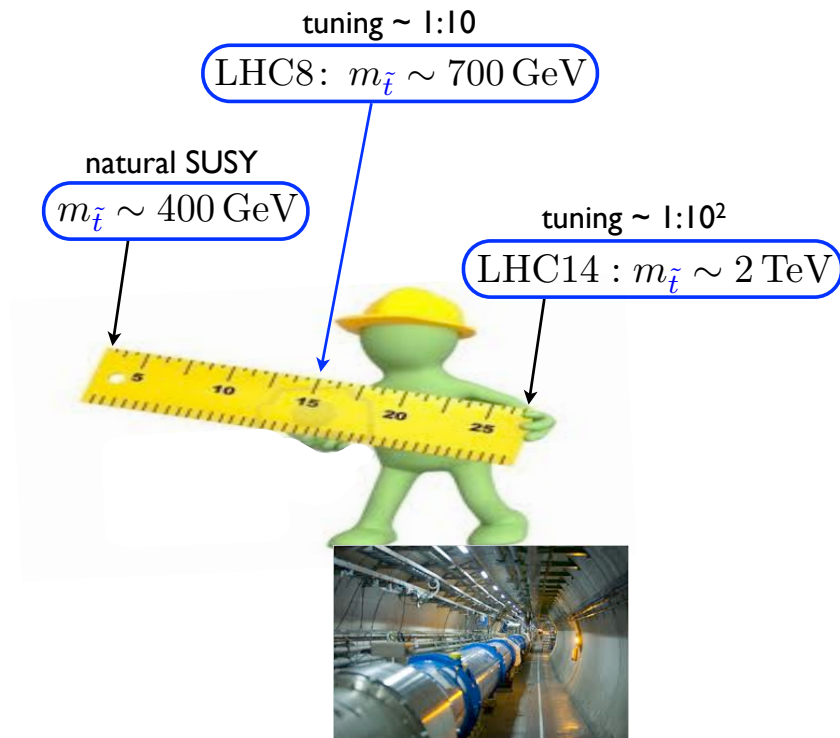
Screening away UV sensitivity => new partners, potentially within the LHC reach.



The diagram on the left shows a top quark loop contributing to the higgs production amplitude, with vertices labeled  $y_t$ . The diagram on the right shows a top squark loop, with vertices labeled  $y_{\tilde{t}}^2$  and top squark mass  $t_{L,R}$ .

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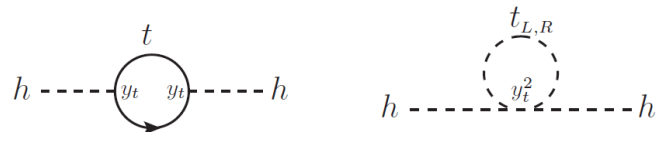
The LHC naturalness ruler:  
(less than half way through)



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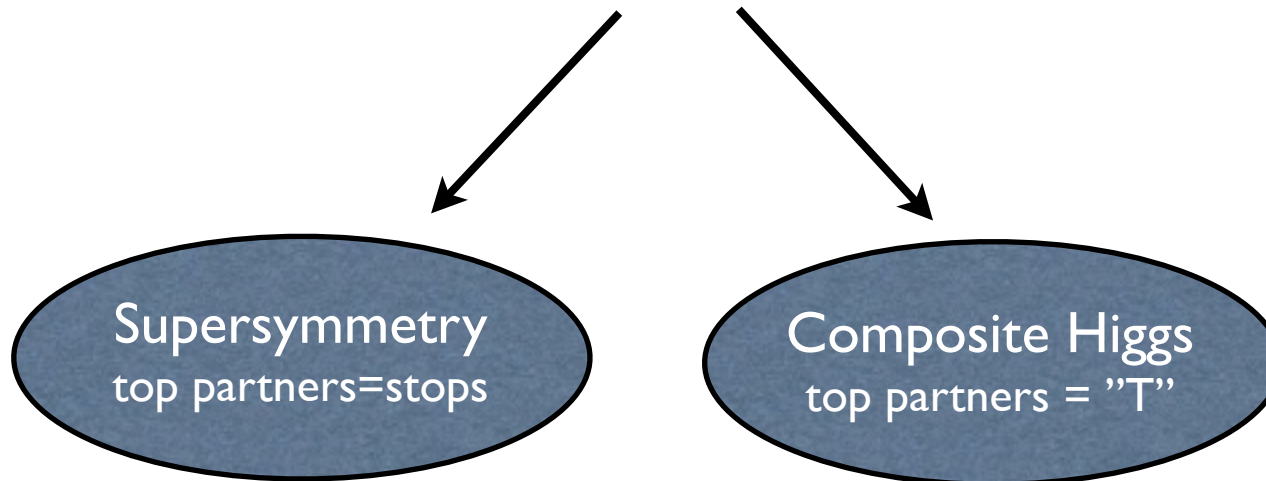
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The diagram shows two Feynman diagrams for Higgs mass corrections. The first diagram on the left shows a top quark loop with vertices labeled  $y_t$  and  $t$ . The second diagram on the right shows a top partner loop with vertices labeled  $y_t^2$  and  $t_{L,R}$ . An arrow points from these diagrams to the following equation:

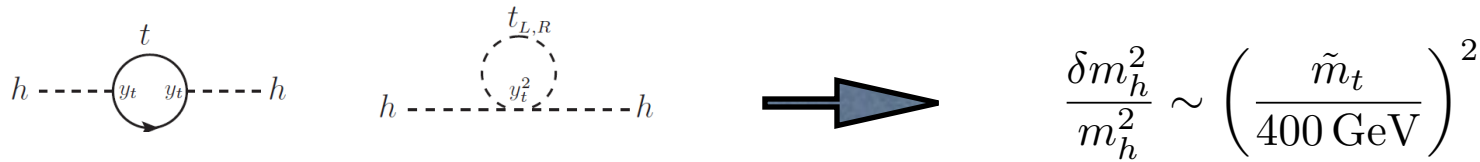
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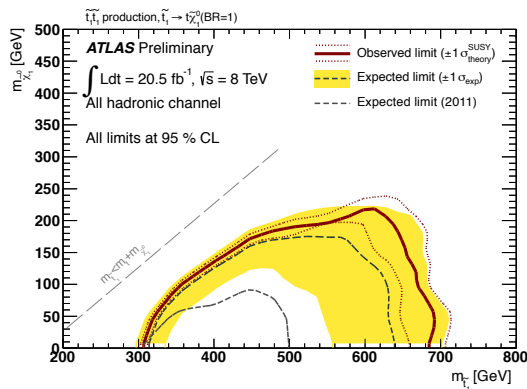
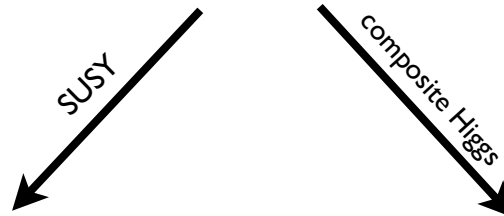


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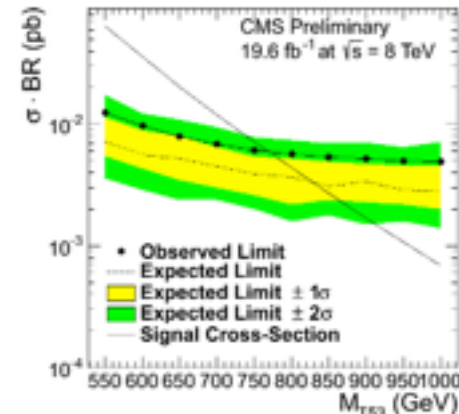
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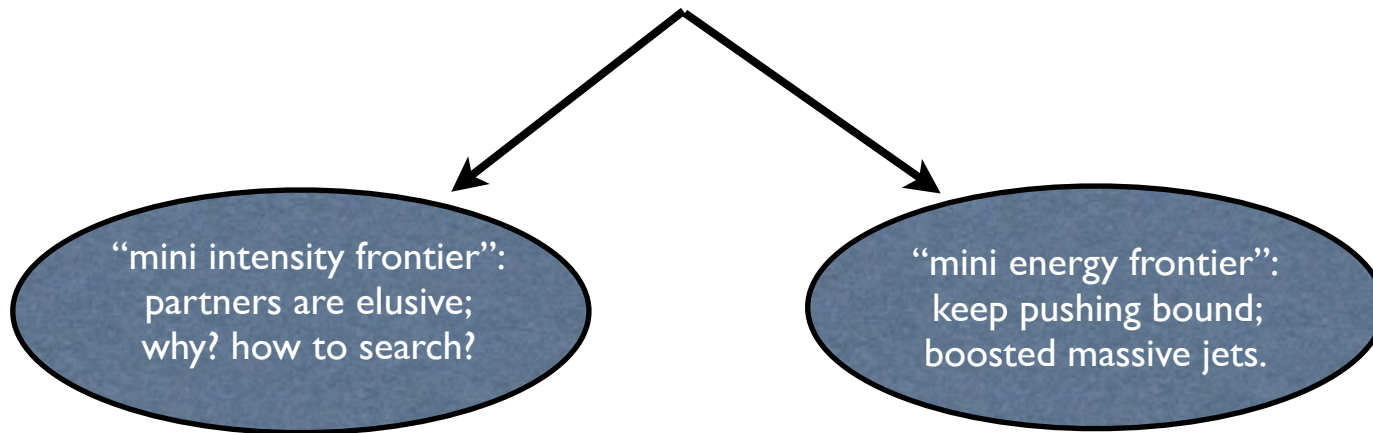


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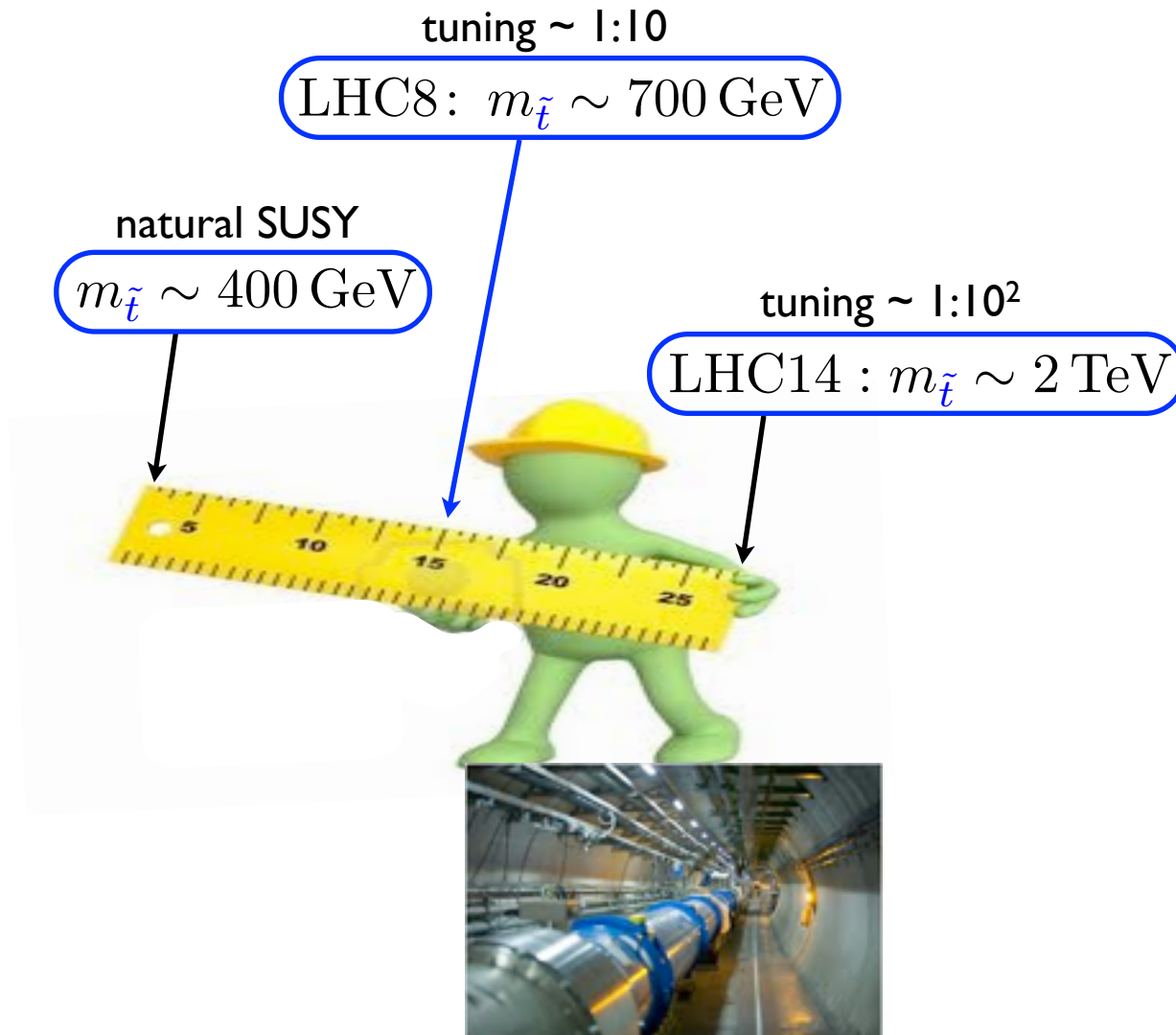
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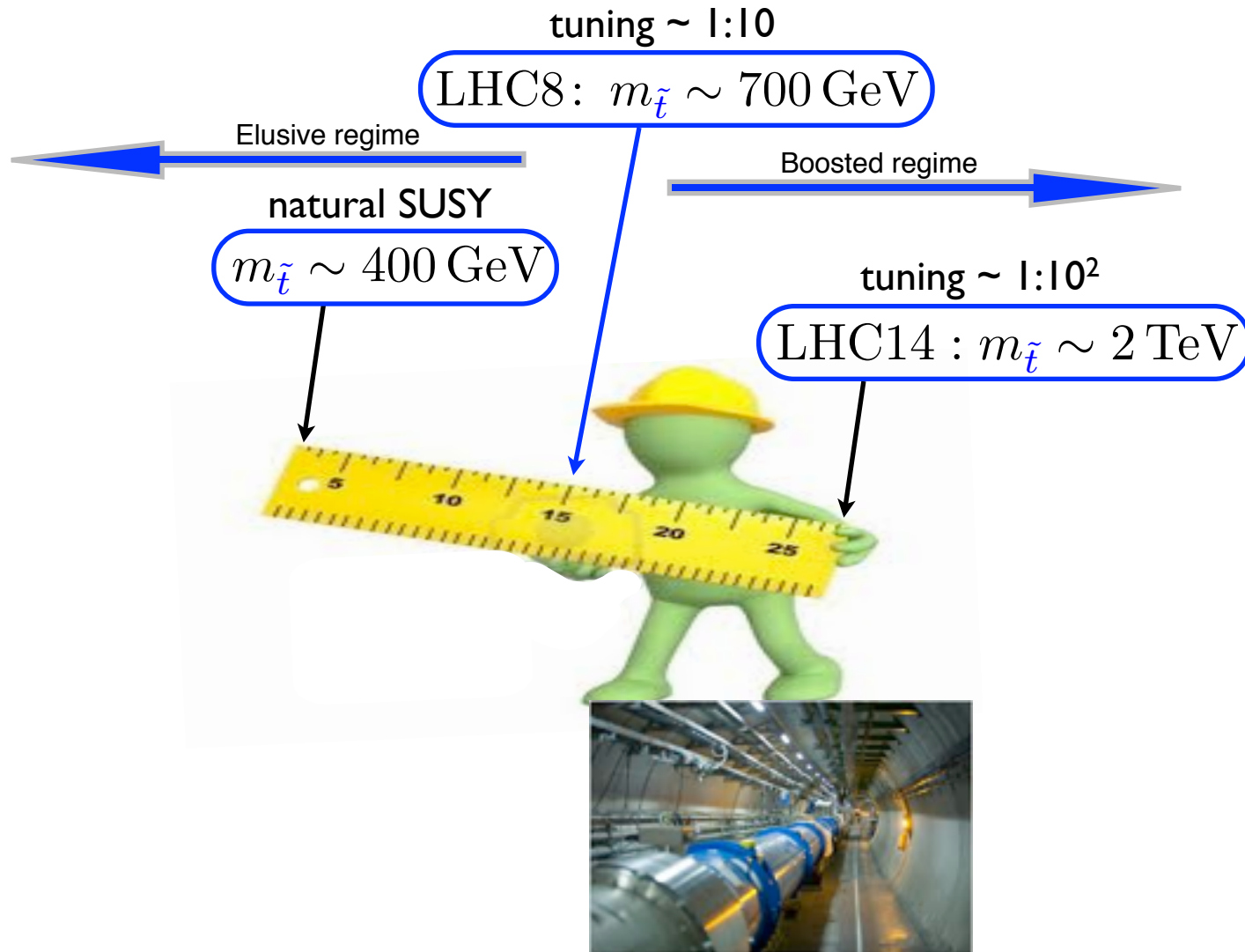
LHC8: where are the partners ??



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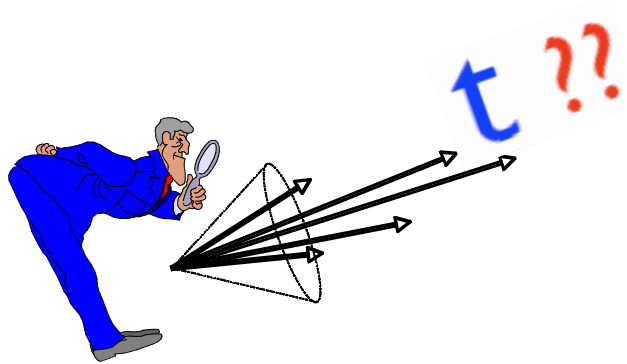
# Outline

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- ◆ Mini-energy frontier, boosted top physics:
  - i. “graduate” from bump hunting, learn to control diff’ distributions;
  - ii. case study hybrid approach, the “elusive gluon”.
  
- ◆ Mini-intensity frontier & top precision phys. connection:
  - i. Getting rid of missing energy;
  - ii. Importance of top-partner flavor violation.
  
- ◆ Conclusions.

“The mini energy frontier”:  
Physics of boosted tops



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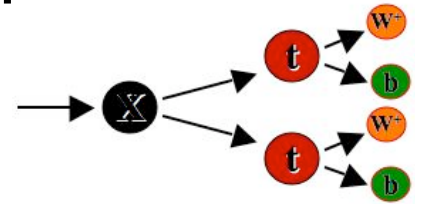
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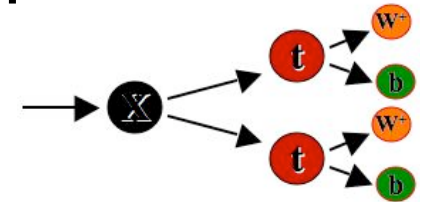


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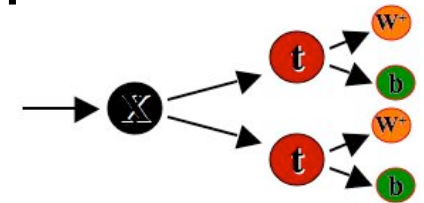
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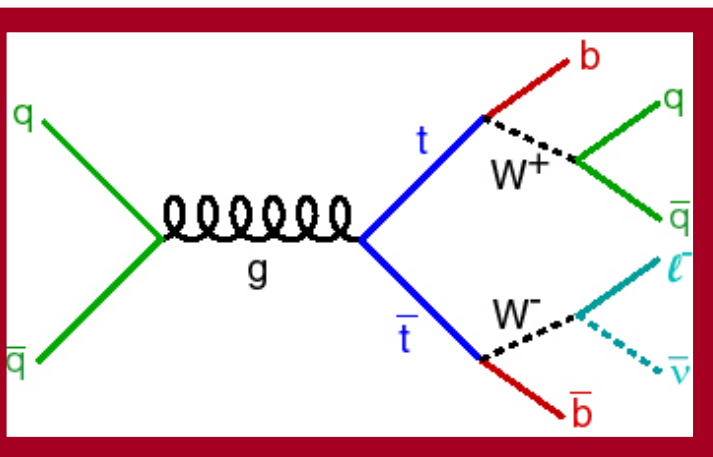
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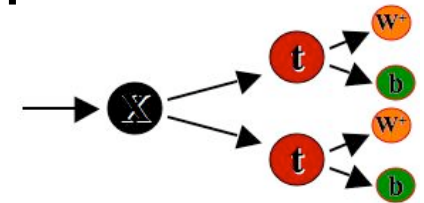
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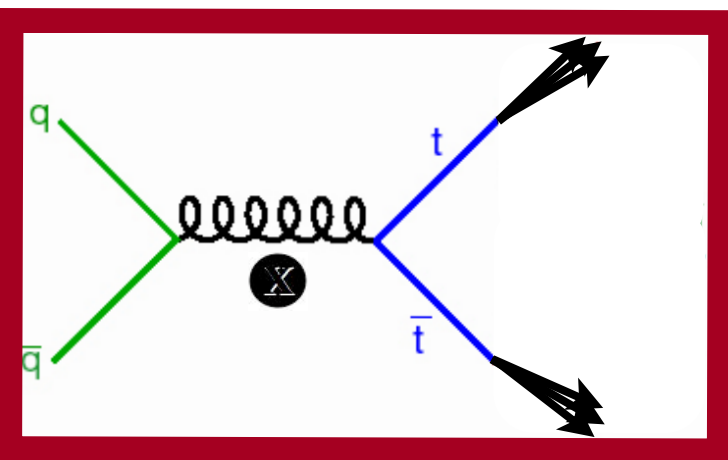
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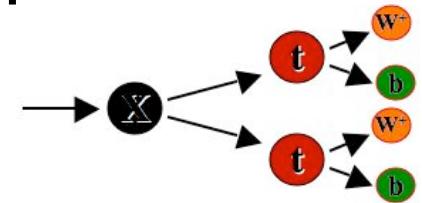
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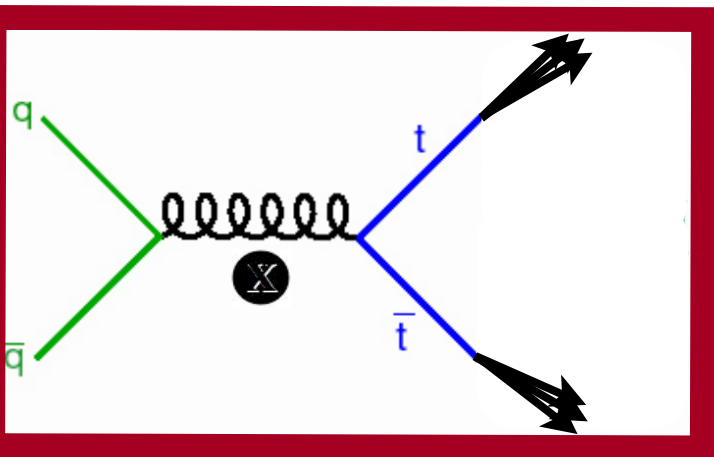
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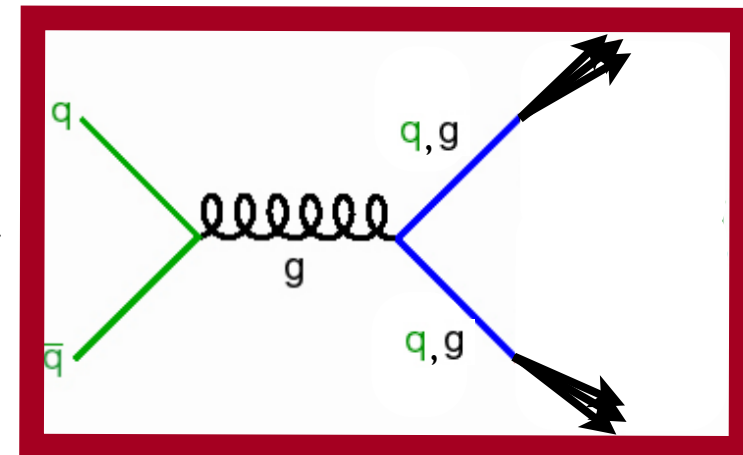


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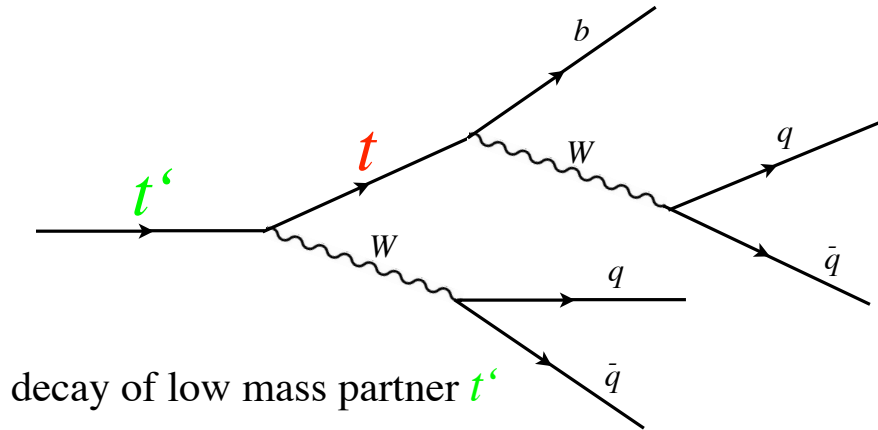
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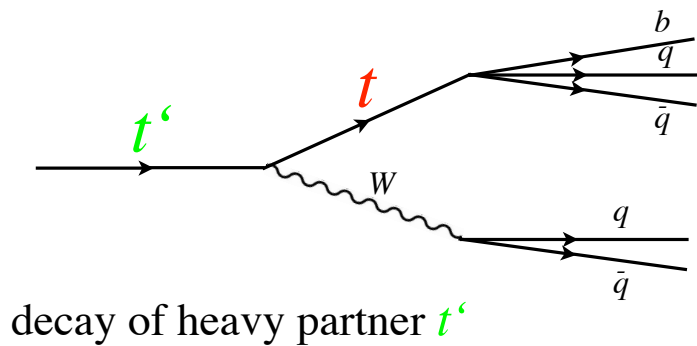
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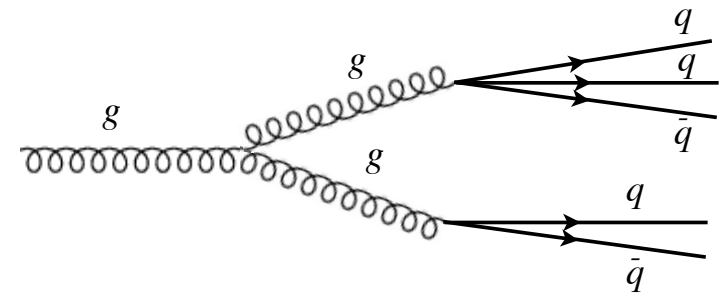


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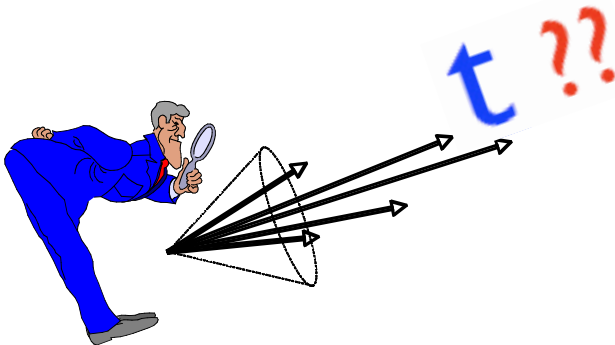
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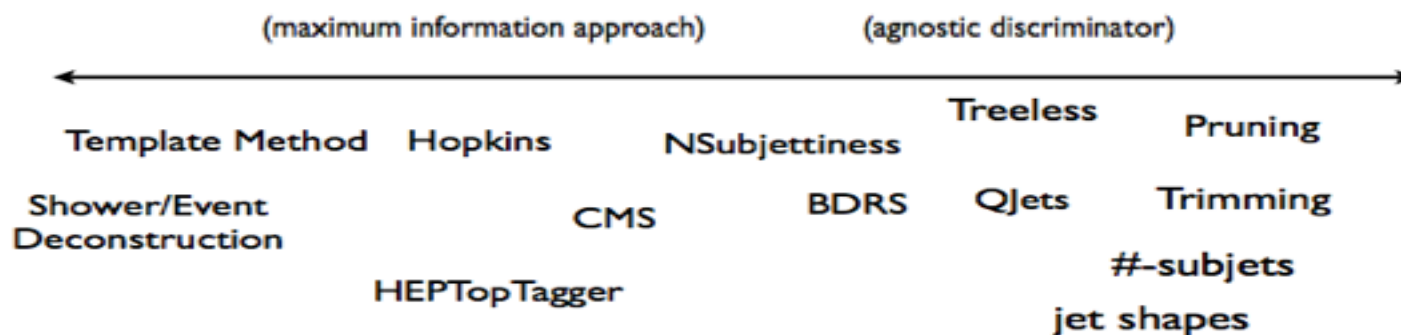
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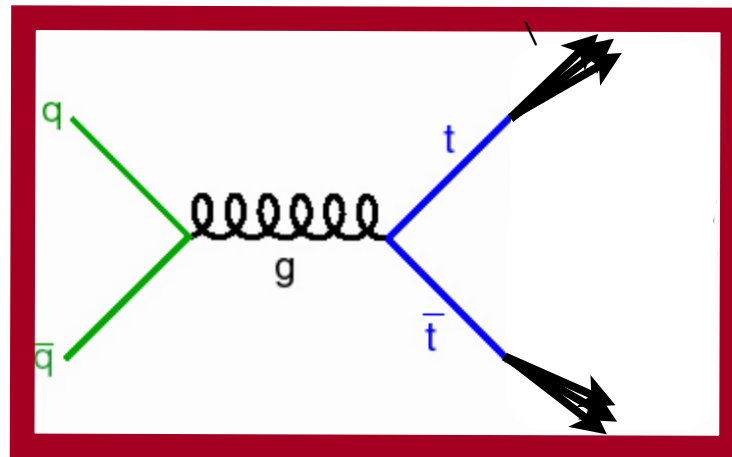
## hypothesis tester vs BSM discoverers



(credit to M. Spannowsky 14)

This does not imply that this field is reserved to resonance searches. Next run many top-based searches will have a boosted component!

# Trivial case against resonance searches & Ex.: KK Gluon



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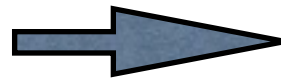
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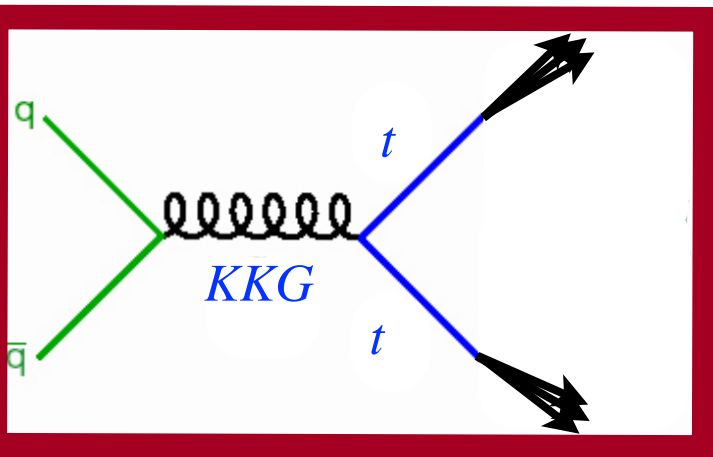
# Case #2 against top-pair resonance searches & The “elusive” (narrow) $KK$ Gluon

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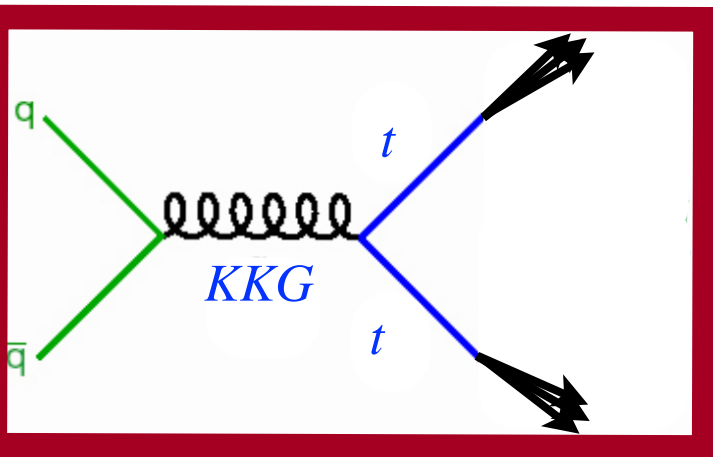
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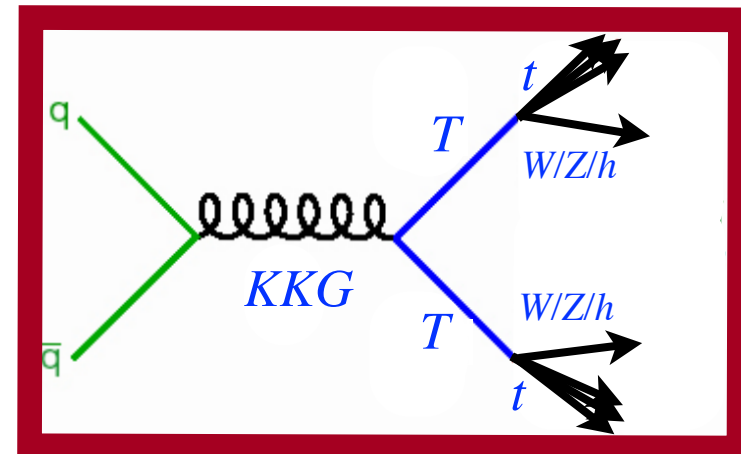
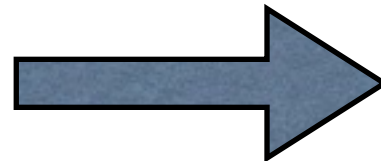


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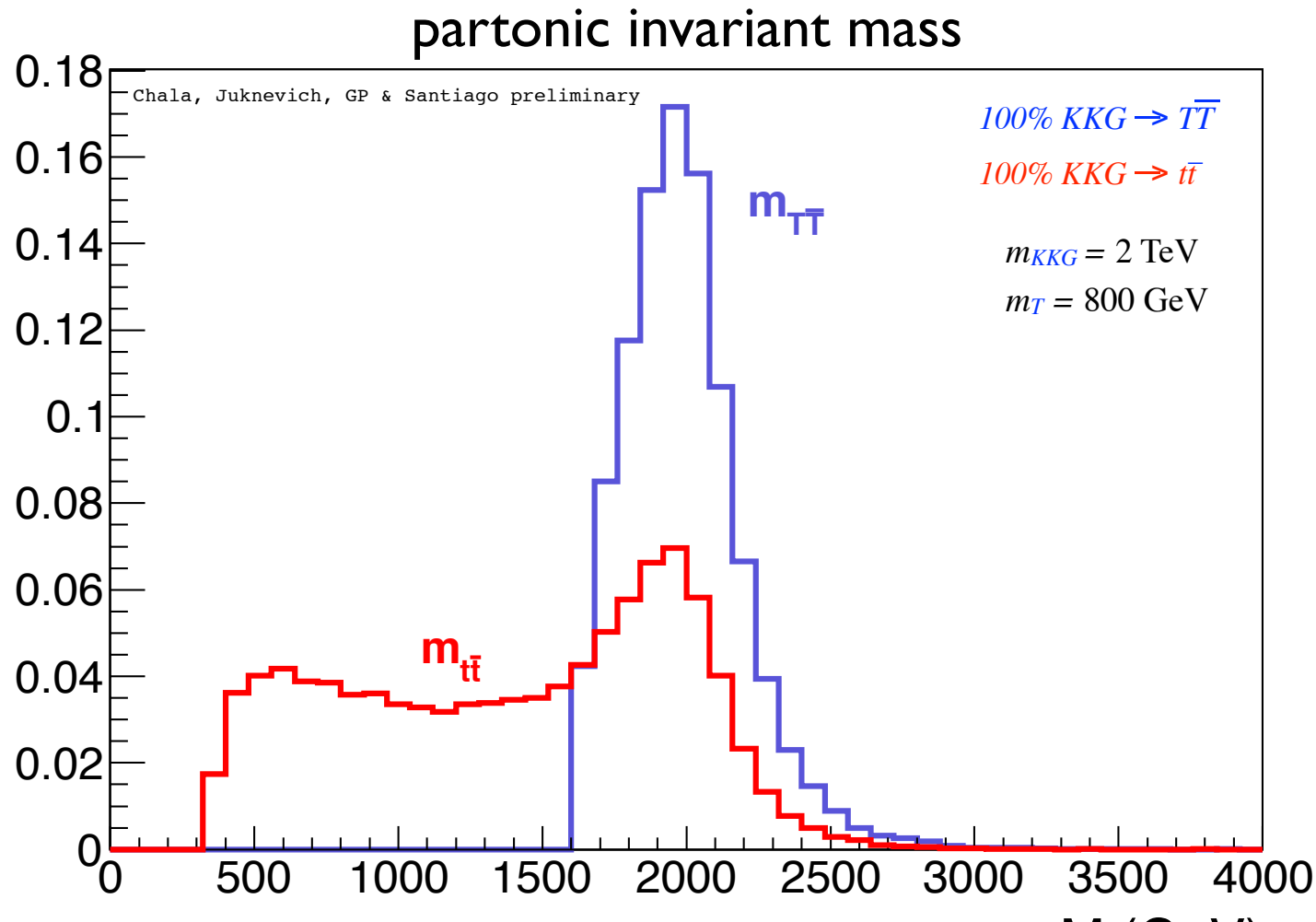


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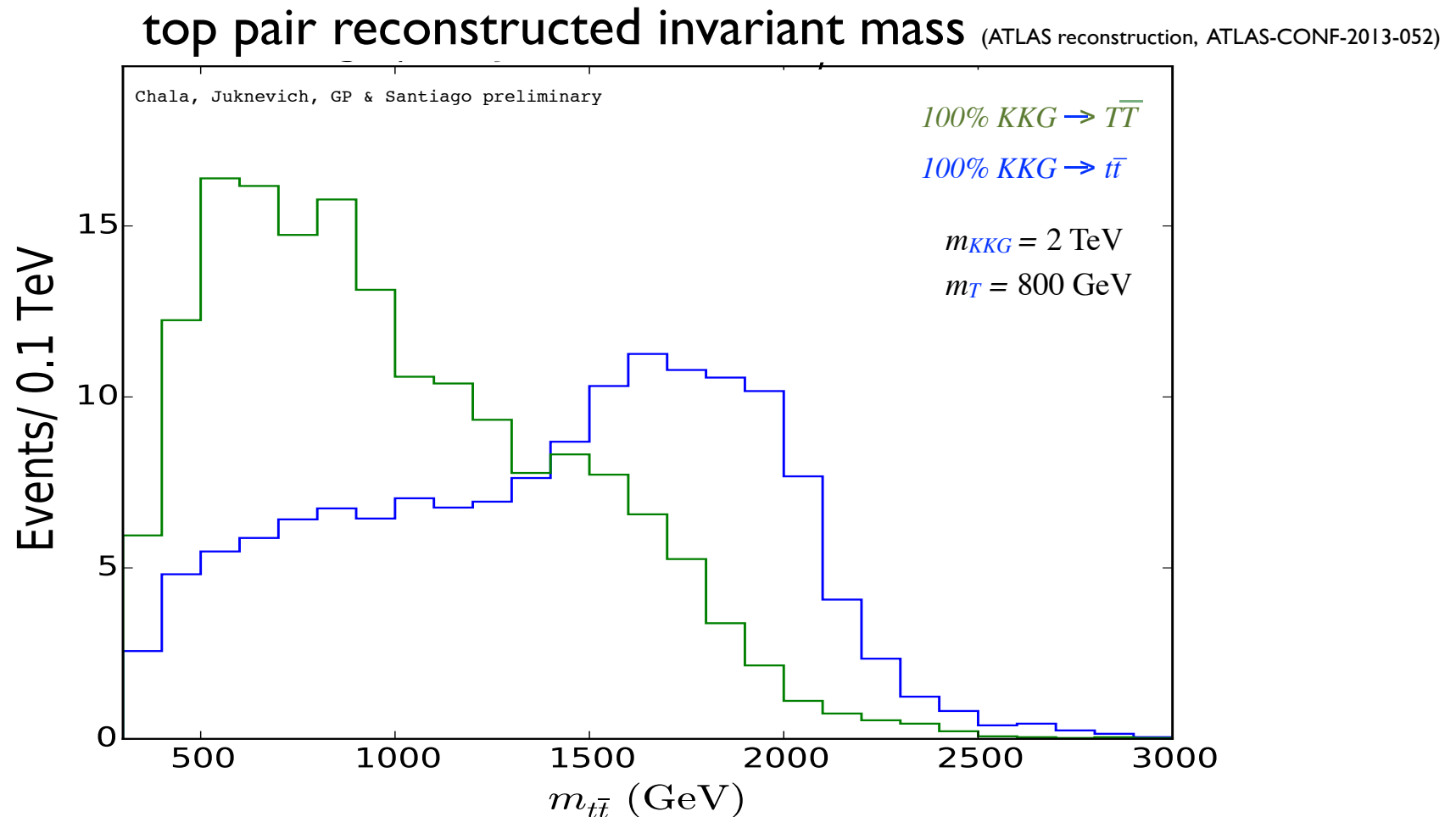


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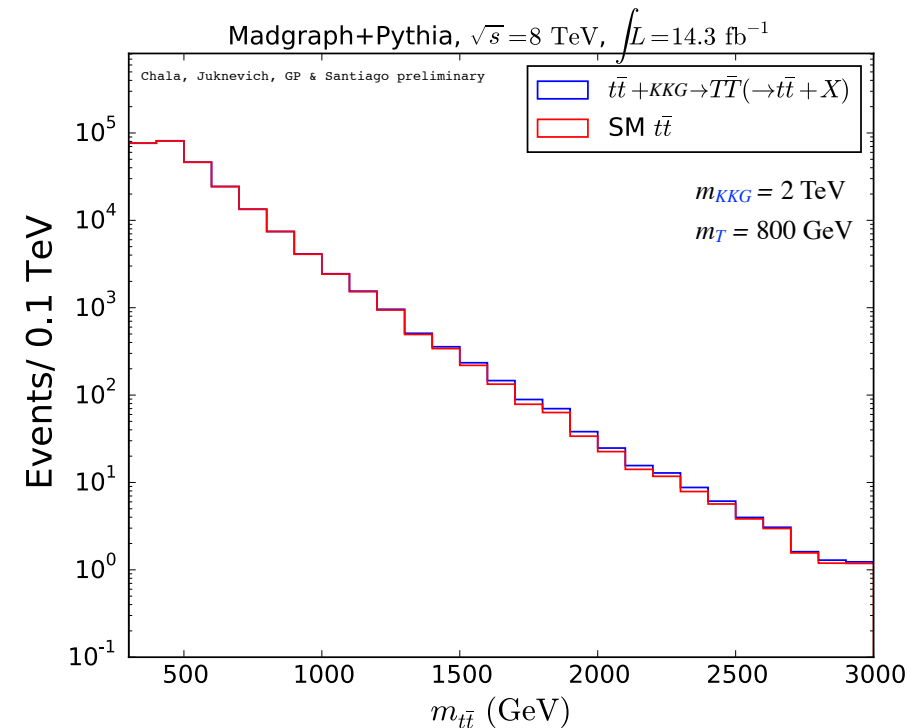
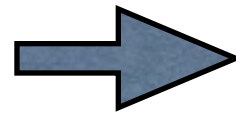
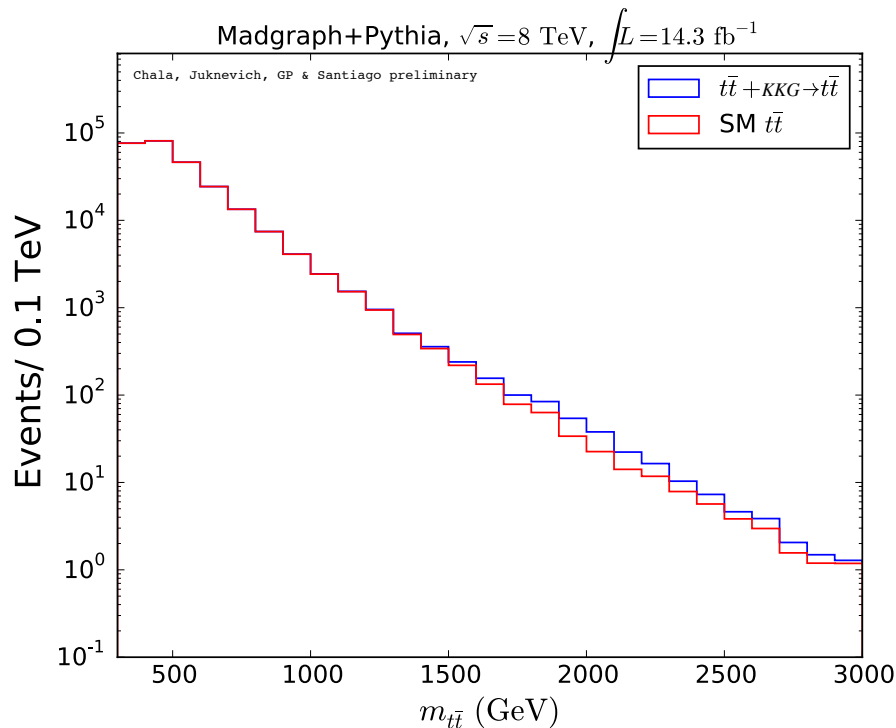
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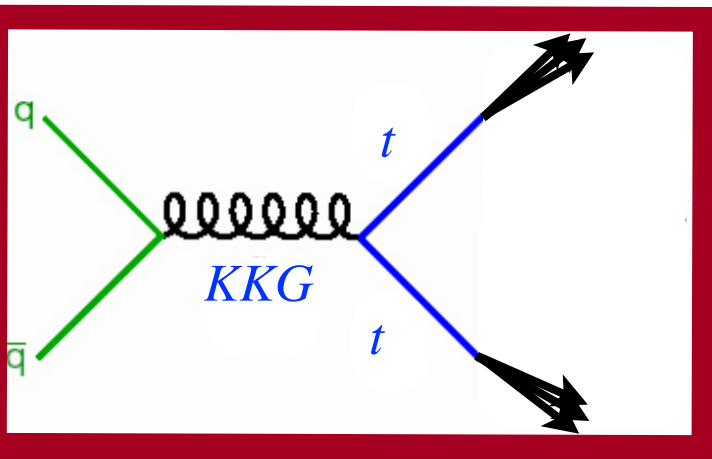
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Elusive  $KKG$

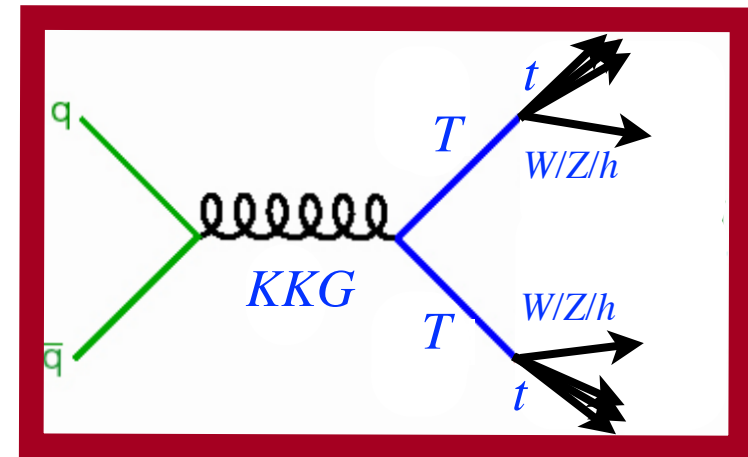


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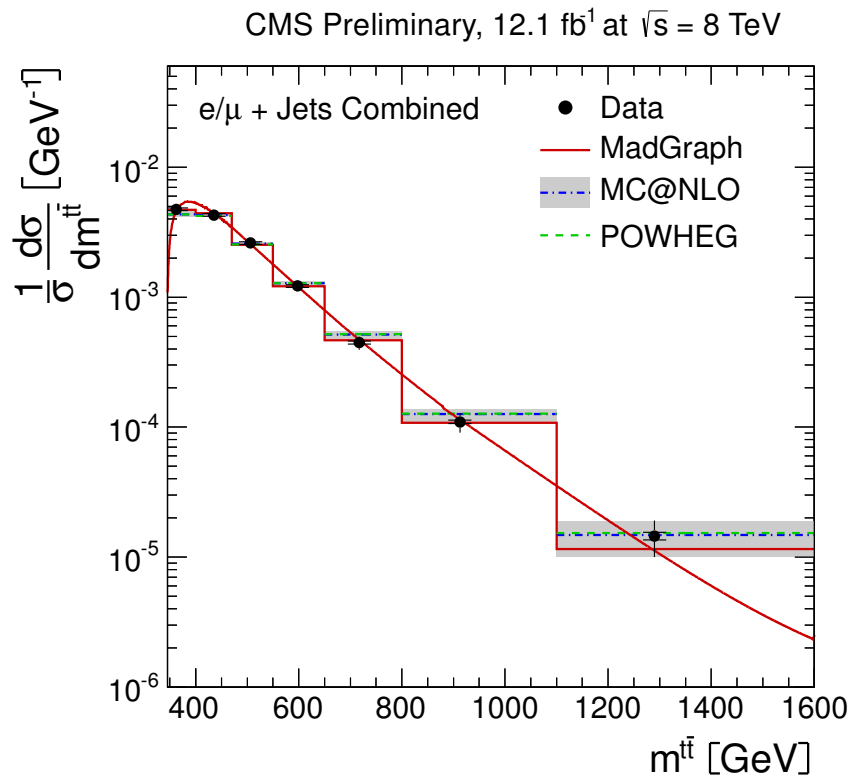
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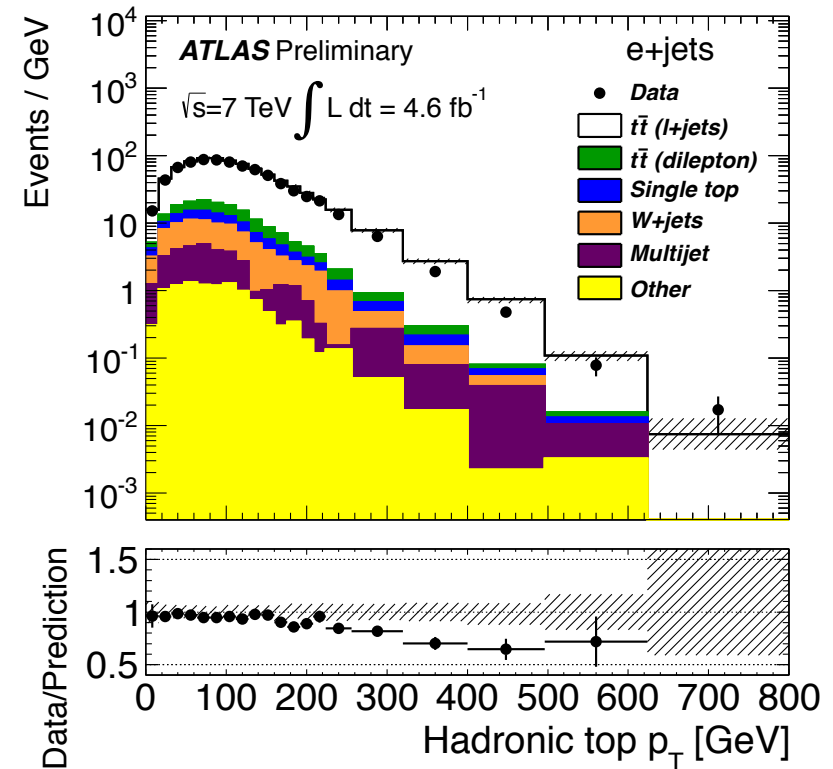
1. Need to be able to control  $m_{tt}$  at differential level.
2. Asks for a jet substructure-event-shape/final state hybrid treatment.

# The status of boosted top-diff' distribution

Much more challenging, way more rewording, far more important!

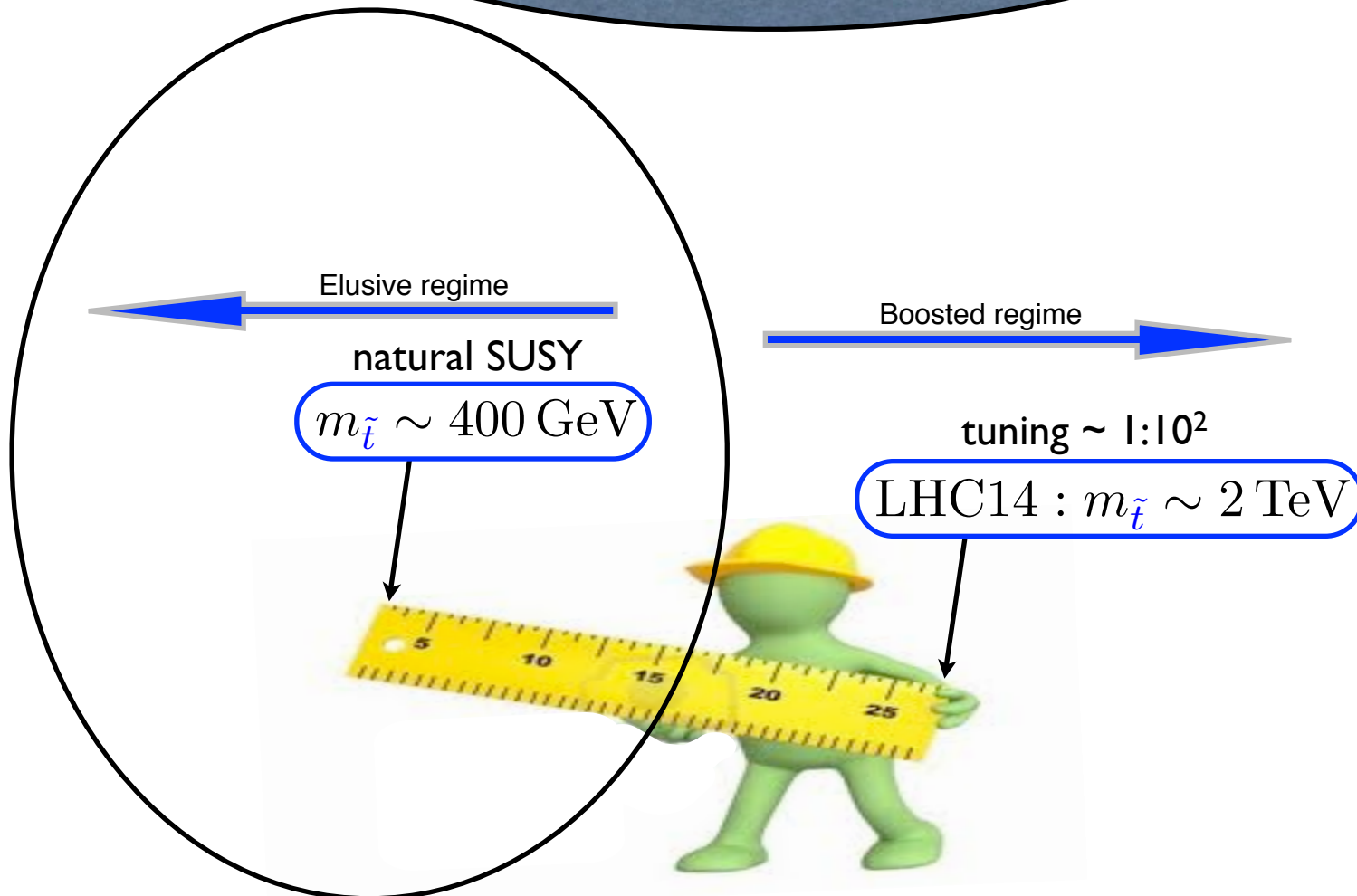


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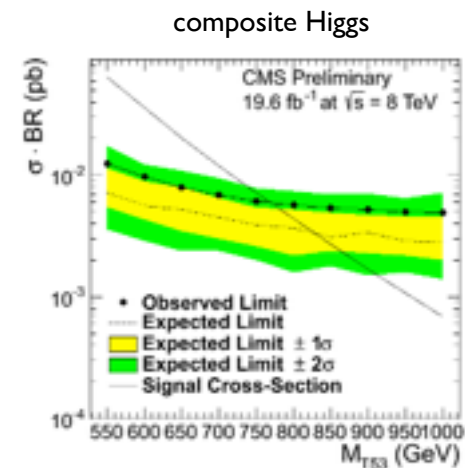
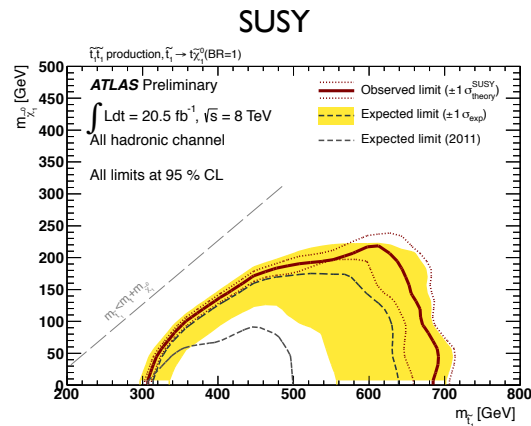


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# “The mini intensity frontier”: Elusive top physics



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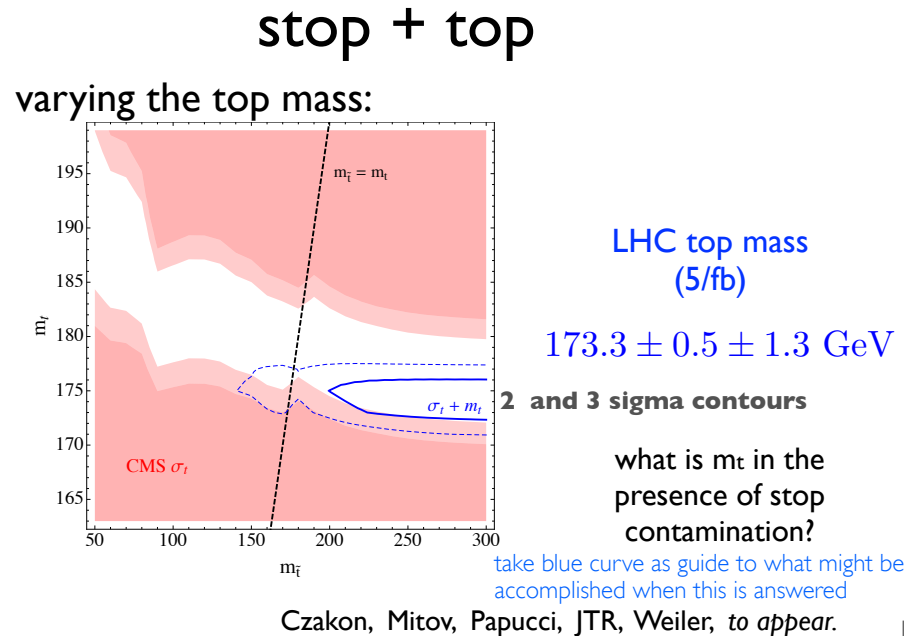
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Mass & Xsection precision could be helpful:

via Josh Ruderman, NNLO theory applied to SUSY:



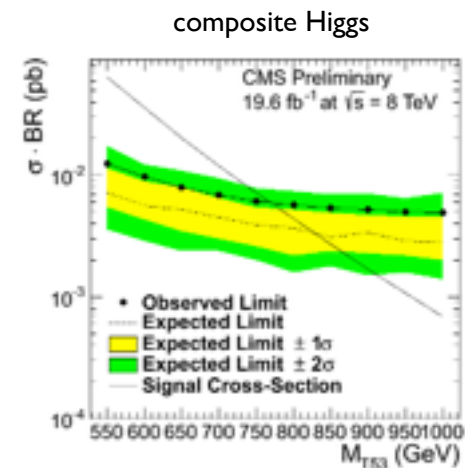
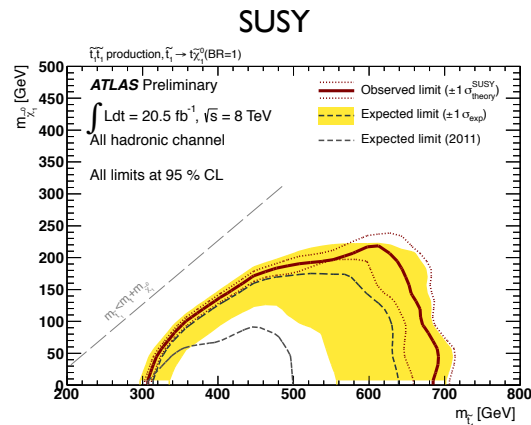
As well as differential distribution (angular)

Han, Katz, Krohn and Reece; Belanger, Godbole, Hartgring and Niessen (12);  
Buckley, Plehn and Ramsey-Musolf (13); Li, Si, Wang, Wang, Zhang and Zhu;  
Mukhopadhyay, Nojiri and Yanagida (14).

More generically understanding top+jets & thinking about gluinos.

Evans, Kats, Shih and Strassler (13)

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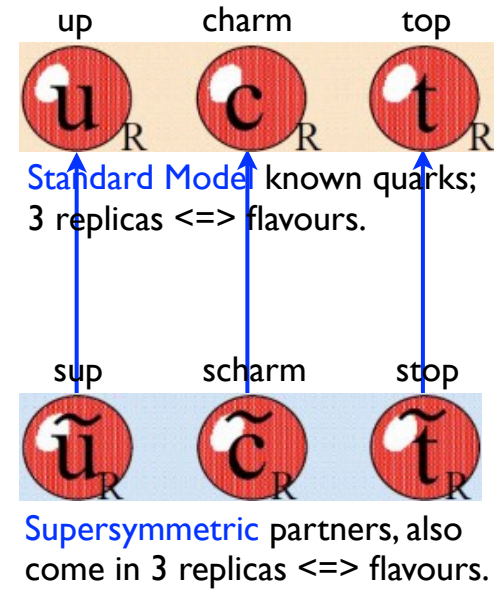
(ii) Get rid of tops in the final state => flavor & connection.

Applies not only to SUSY.

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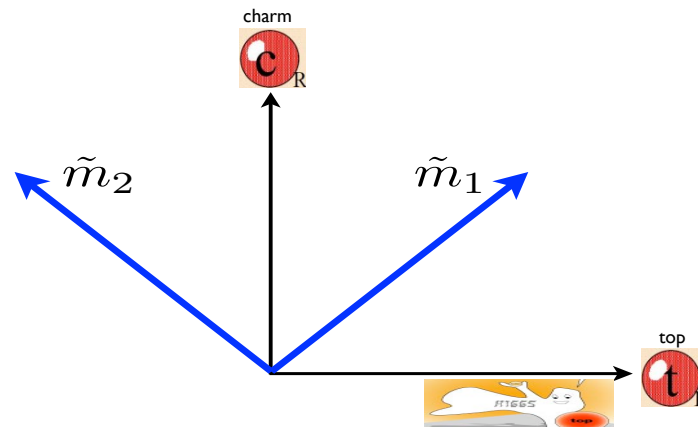
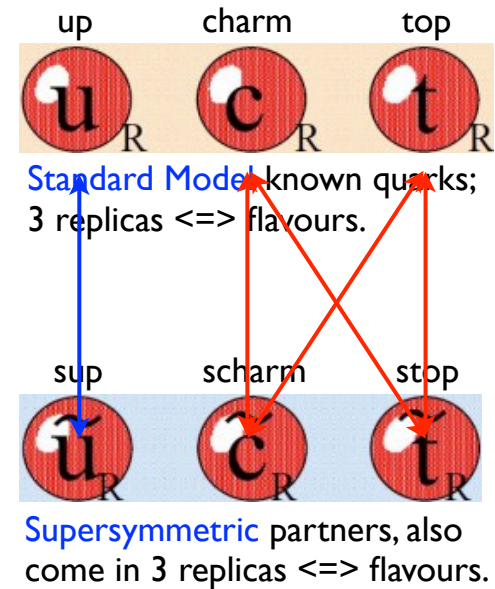
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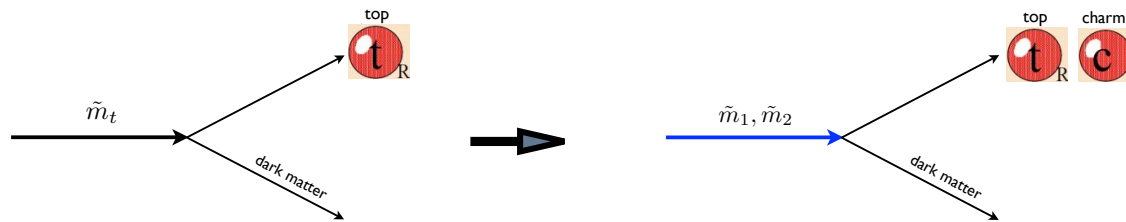
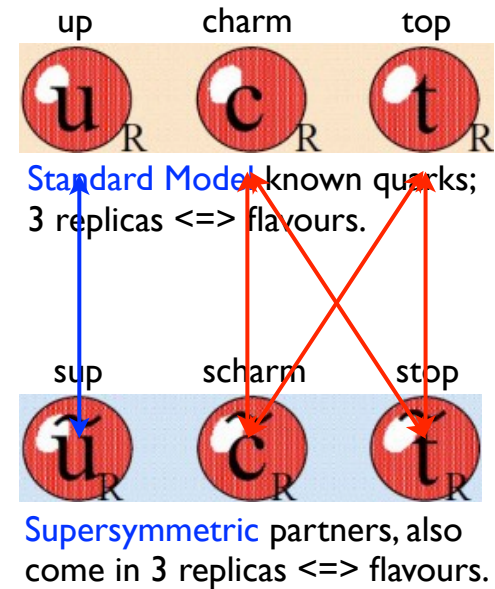
◆ Standard model: 3 copies (flavours) of quarks; same holds for new physics. (say supersymmetry)

◆ “Hardwired” assumption:

top partner (stop) is mass eigenstate.

Dine, Leigh & Kagan, Phys.Rev. D48 (93); Dimopoulos & Giudice (95);  
Cohen, Kaplan & Nelson (96) > 1000 citations ...

◆ This need not be the case, top-partner => “stop-scharm” admixture.



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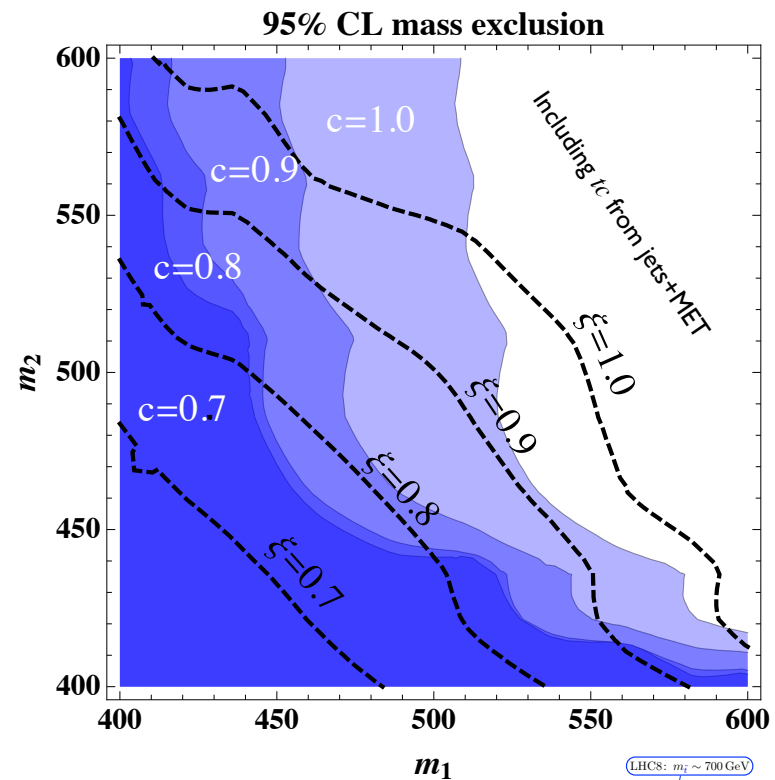
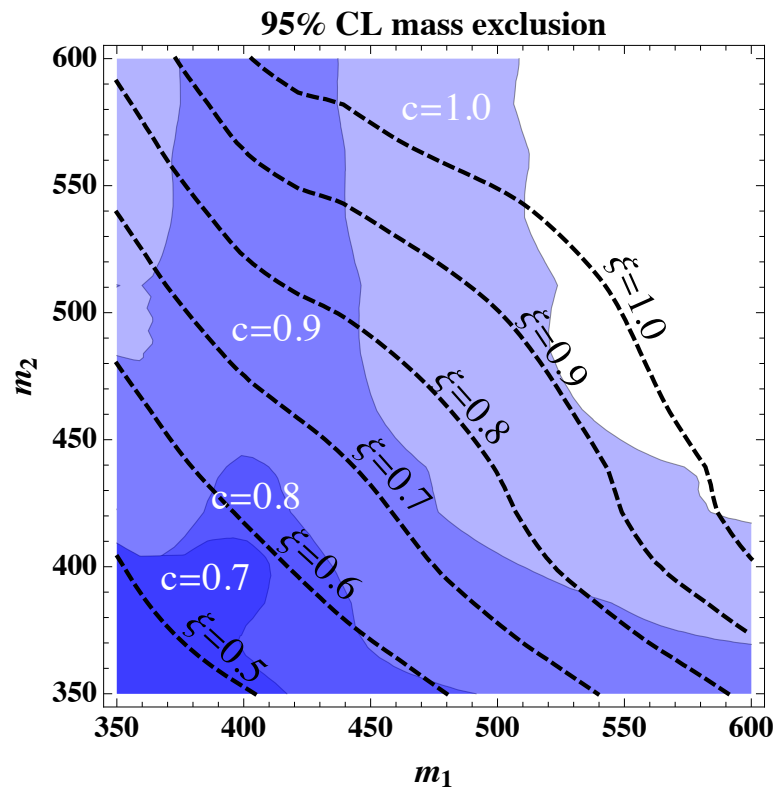
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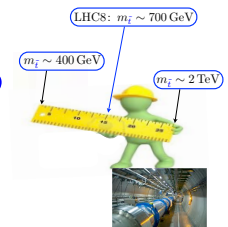
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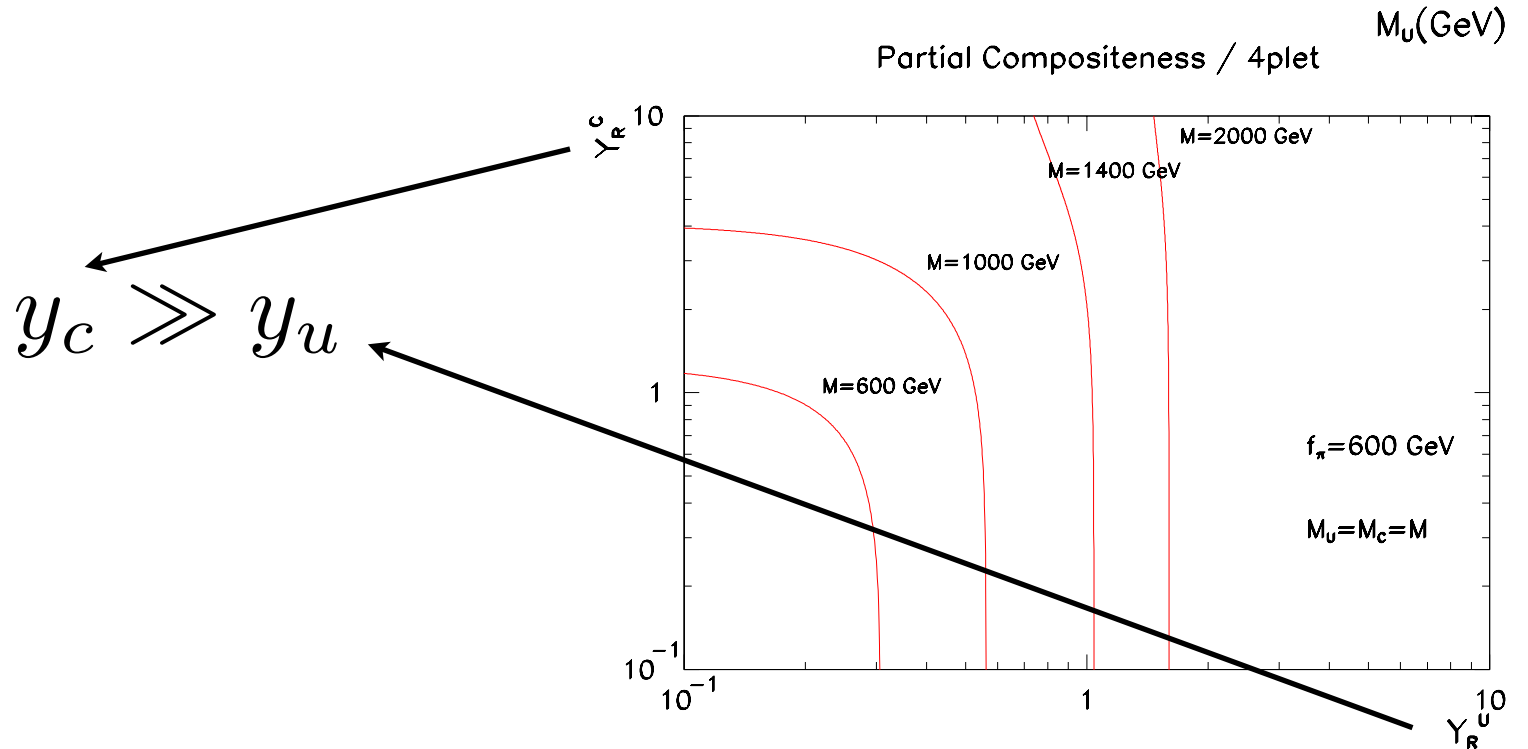
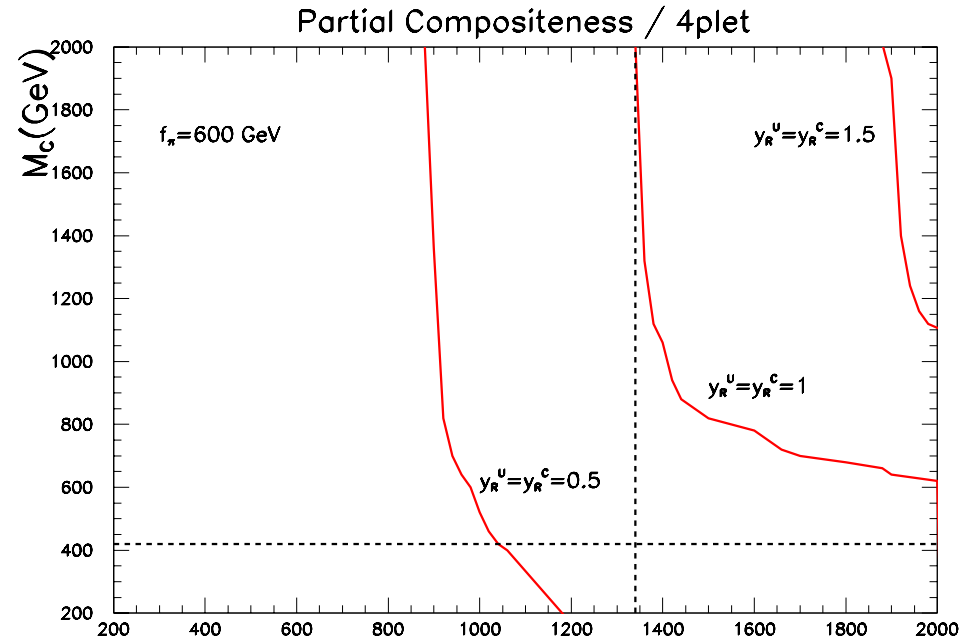
Can get  $\xi \sim 0.5 - 0.8$  for  $\theta_{23}^{RR} \sim 45^\circ$



# Compositeness: split 2 gen' LHC bounds (similar to SUSY case)

Delaunay, Fraille, Flacke, Lee, Panico & GP (13).

$$M_c \ll M_U$$





# Composite natural $t \rightarrow cZ$

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Agashe GP & Soni (06)

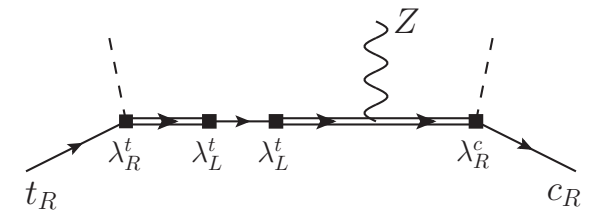
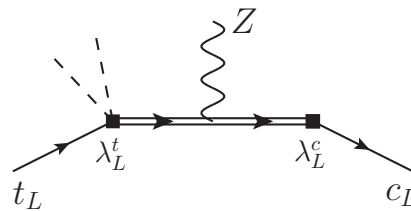
◆  $t \rightarrow cZ$  in custodial composite models could be small.

Agashe, Contino, Da Rold & Pomarol (06)

◆  $t \rightarrow cZ$  in natural custodial composite models should be large.

As both LH & RH tops needs to be composite, Azatov, Panico GP & Soreq, to appear

$$\text{BR}(t \rightarrow cZ) \sim 10^{-5} \left( \frac{700}{M_*} \right)^4 .$$



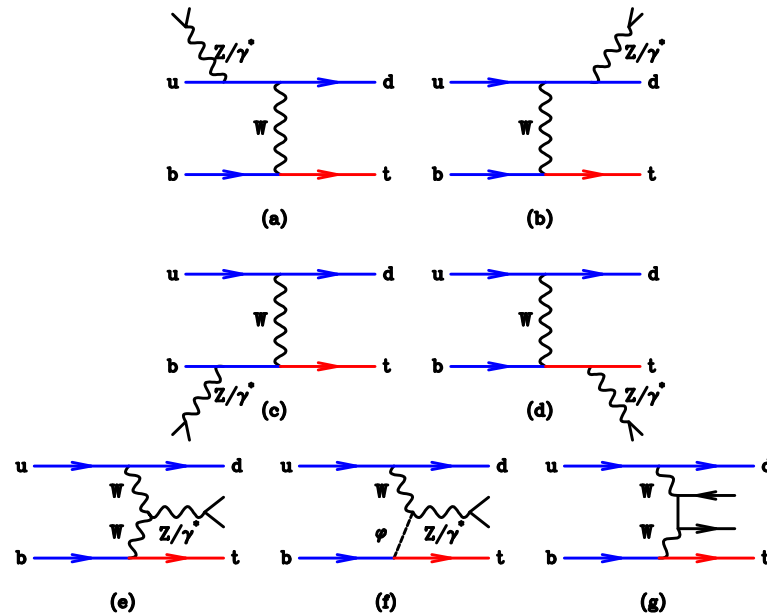
◆ One extra prediction tops should be RH polarized.

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# The SM semi-irreducible wall

- ◆  $tZj$  in the SM is important once  $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow cZ) < 10^{-5}$  is reached.

Campbell, Ellis & Rontsch (13)



- ◆ Current bound is  $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow cZ) \sim 5 \times 10^{-4}$ , more serious studies required before the experimentalists actually go below  $10^{-4}$  ...

# Conclusions

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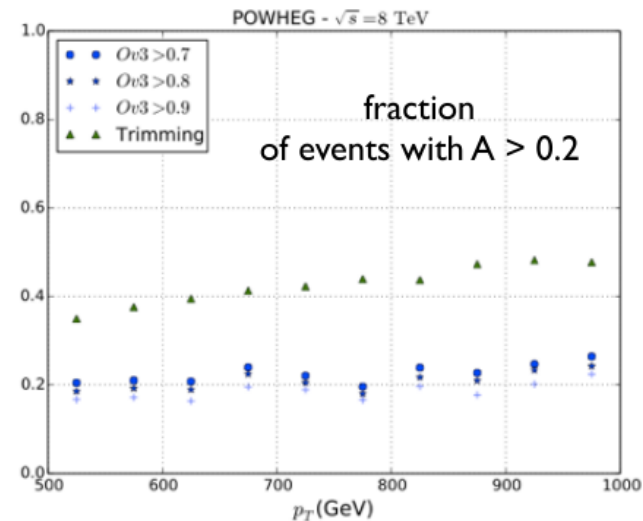
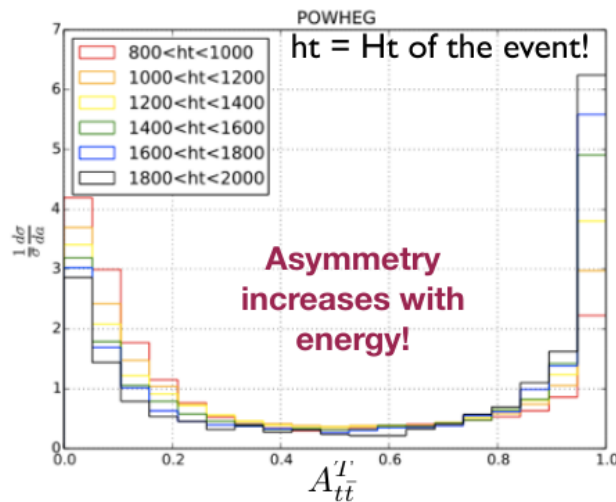
- ◆ Top phys. is one of the few motivated windows for new physics searches.
- ◆ Two frontiers of the (top) battle of naturalness at the LHC (run II) -
  - (i) “mini-energy” boosted frontier of heavy top-partner:
    - robust searches  $\Leftrightarrow$  differential distribution measurement \w/ boosted tops;
    - rich final states involving boosted tops + EW/h and/or missing energy.
  - (ii) “mini-intensity” precision frontier of elusive top-partners:
    - SUSY  $\Leftrightarrow$  getting rid of missing energy, signal looks like  $\bar{t}t, \bar{t}t + j$  ;
    - SUSY+composite Higgs  $\Leftrightarrow$  flavor violation  $\Rightarrow t \Leftrightarrow c$  interchanged;
    - composite Higgs  $\Rightarrow$  large  $t \rightarrow cZ, tZj$  in the SM will become relevant.

# Asymmetric $t\bar{t}$ events and top tagging

Backovic, JJ, Perez, Soreq

We define an asymmetry for truth level tops to quantify the  $p_T$  imbalance in  $t\bar{t}$  events

$$A_{t\bar{t}}^{SV} = \frac{|\vec{p}_{T,t} + \vec{p}_{T,\bar{t}}|}{p_{T,t} + p_{T,\bar{t}}}$$



Asymmetric events are also a background to  $t\bar{t}$  resonance searches

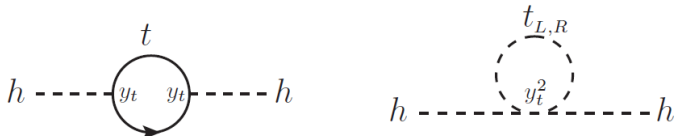
Top template tagger can remove more asymmetric events than  $d_{12}$  + mass cut

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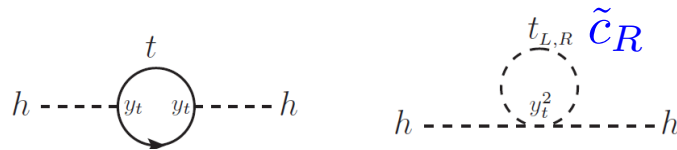
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$$\delta m_{Hu}^2 = -\frac{3y_t^2}{8\pi^2} \left( m_{\tilde{t}_L}^2 + \cos^2 \theta_{23}^{RR} m_1^2 + \sin^2 \theta_{23}^{RR} m_2^2 \right)$$

- ◆ However, as you'll see soon the scharm can be light...
- ◆ The " $\tilde{t}_R \tilde{t}_R^*$ "  $\rightarrow t_R t_R^*$  production is suppressed by  $(\cos \theta_{23}^R)^4$ .



Potentially: new hole in searches, possibly improve naturalness

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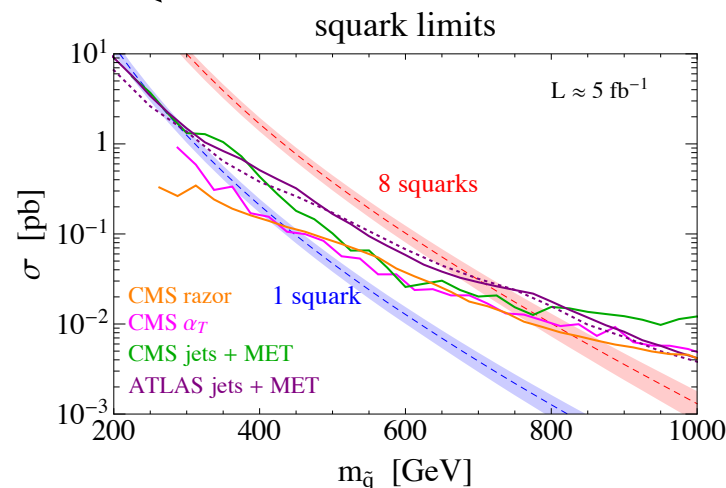
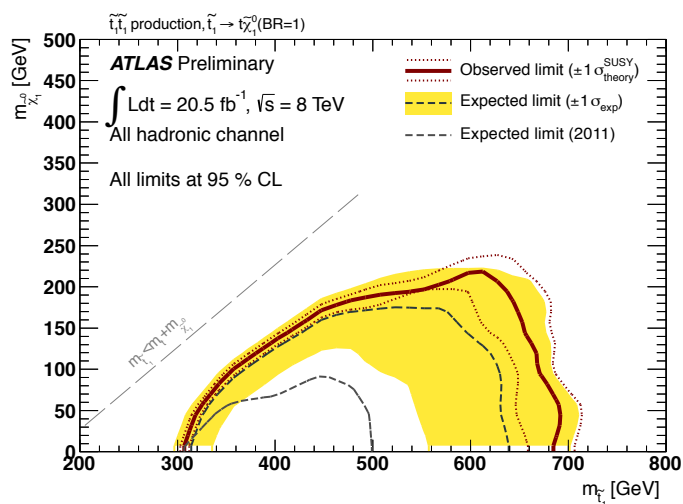
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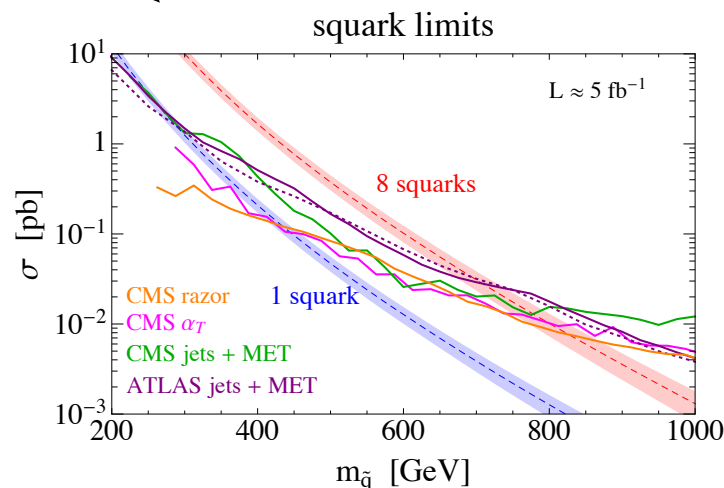
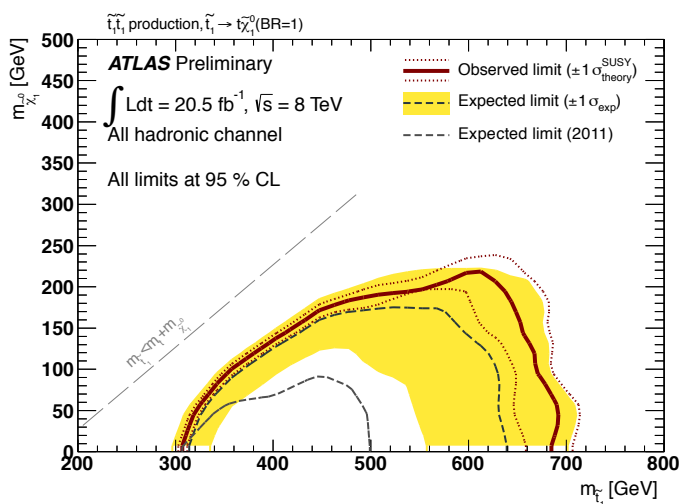


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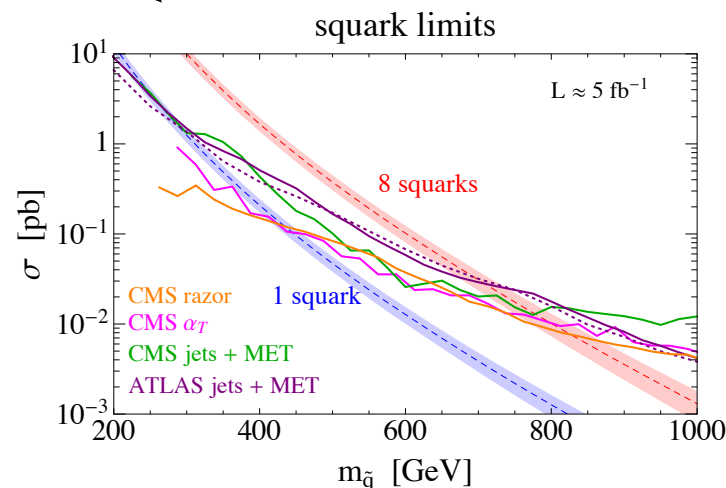
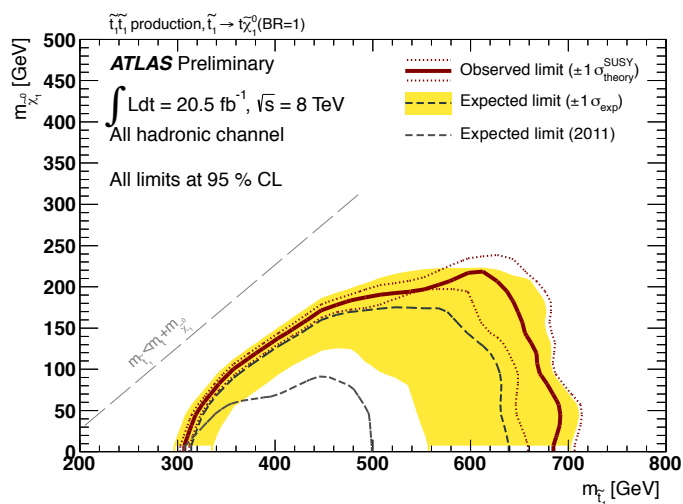


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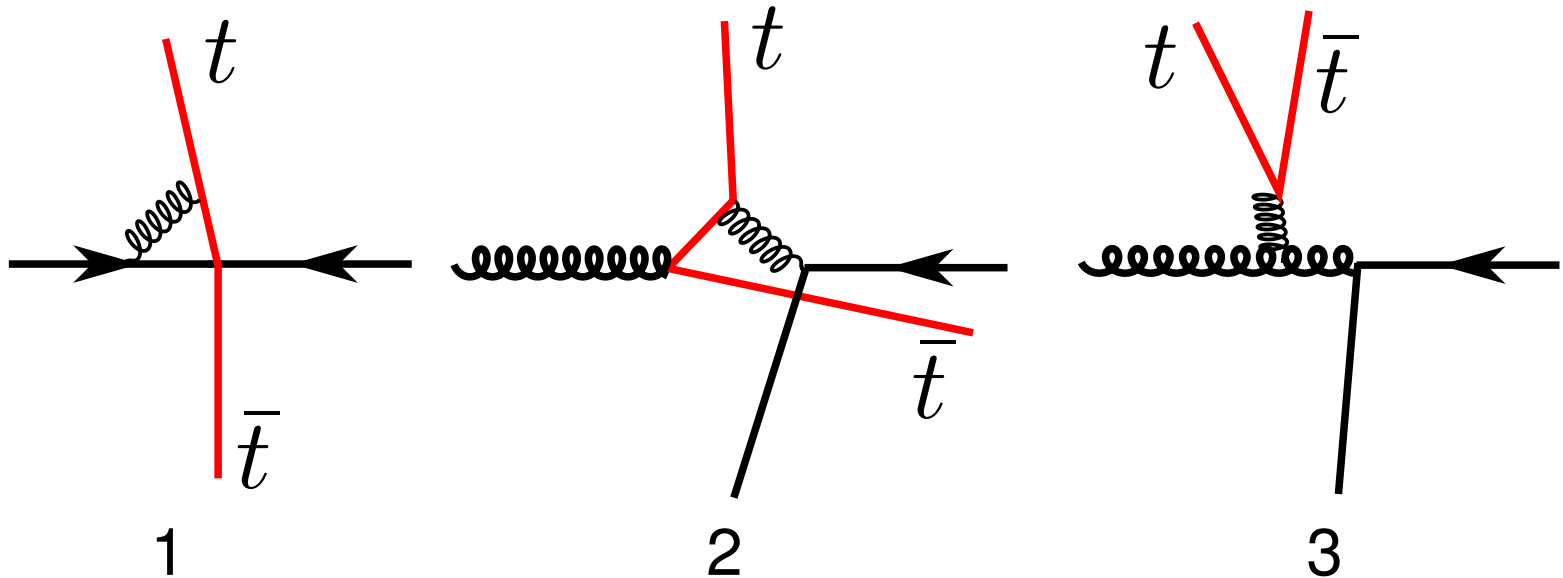
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- ◆ Subjective: despite entering the “boosted” era (not in Higgs) the “jet-substructure” field is behind the rest of the PQCD one.
- ◆ More energy  $\Rightarrow$  about to enter “hybrid-boosted” era.
- ◆ Elusive: light (non-“sups”) squarks/partners maybe buried.
- ◆ Stop-scharm mixing might lead to improve naturalness.
- ◆ Ask for new type of searches, charm tagging important, linked to CPV in D mixing, soon to be tested at LHCb.

# Next-to-leading order effects

Are top pairs in high- $p_T$  events always back to back?



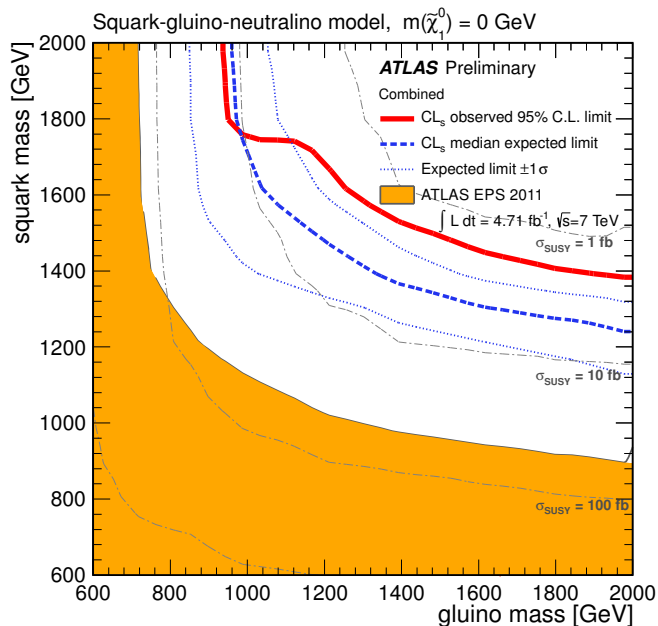
How do 2 and 3 change distributions?

Salam, '13, ATLAS Top WG  
Backovic, Gabizon, Juknevich, GP & Soreq (13)

# Light scharmms at the LHC

Putting stops aside, what are the bounds on first 2-generation “light” squarks?

Summer bounds from ATLAS & CMS :



Light squarks  $> 1.4$  TeV?

# What drives the experimental limits?

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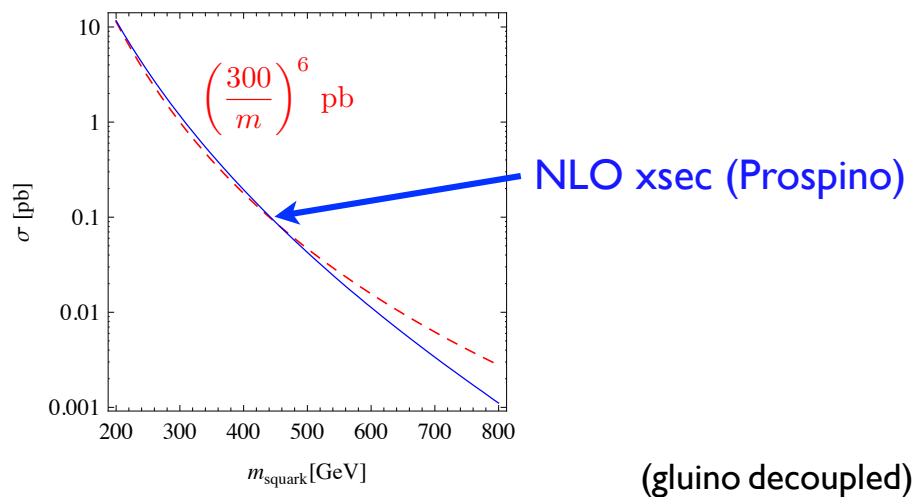
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Multiplicity: how bound changes when one doublet is made lighter ?

## Cross-sections vs. mass

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow \tilde{u}_R \tilde{u}_R^*) \propto \frac{1}{m^6} \quad (\text{roughly})$$



$$8/m^6 = 6/m_H^6 + 2/m_L^6$$

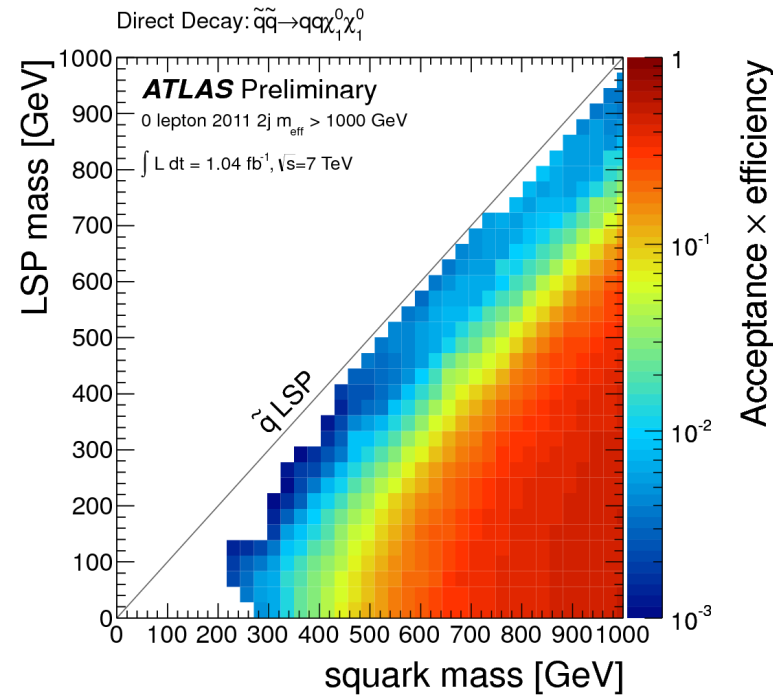
$$(m_L/m_H) = (1/4)^{1/6} \sim 0.8$$

gain is marginal

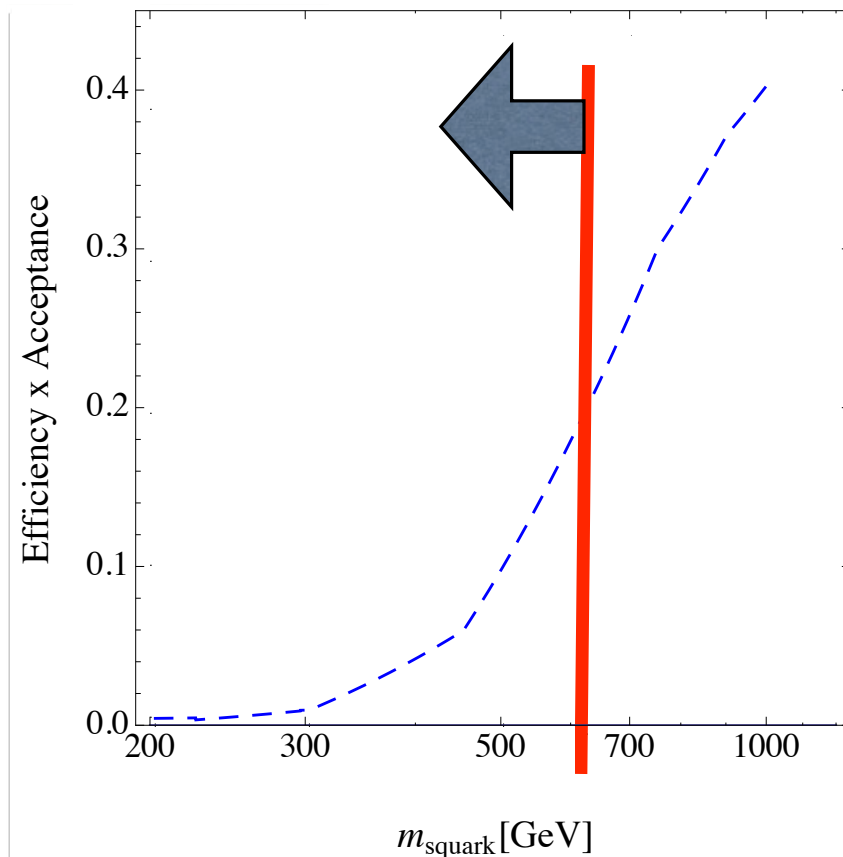
# Efficiencies, strong mass dependence!

Signal efficiency falls very rapidly with decreasing squark mass

Below  $\sim 600$  GeV  $\epsilon\sigma = 1$



ATLAS 1/fb,  
2jet  $M_{\text{eff}} > 1 \text{ TeV}$

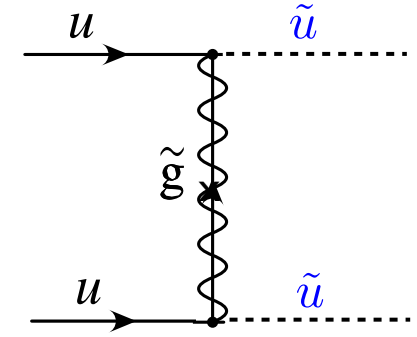
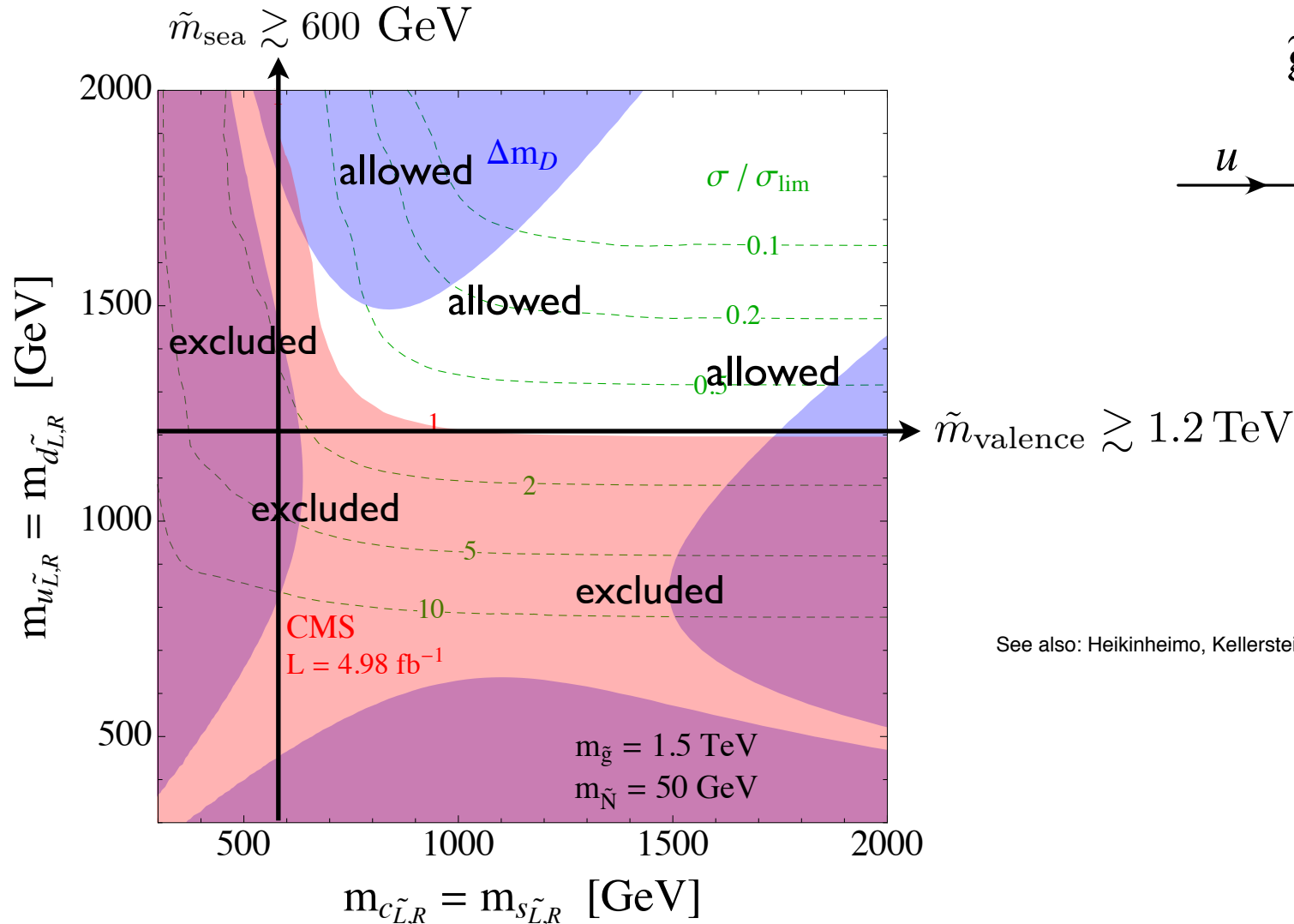


$m_{\text{eff}}$  is the scalar sum of transverse momenta of the leading N jets with  $E^{\text{miss}}$ .



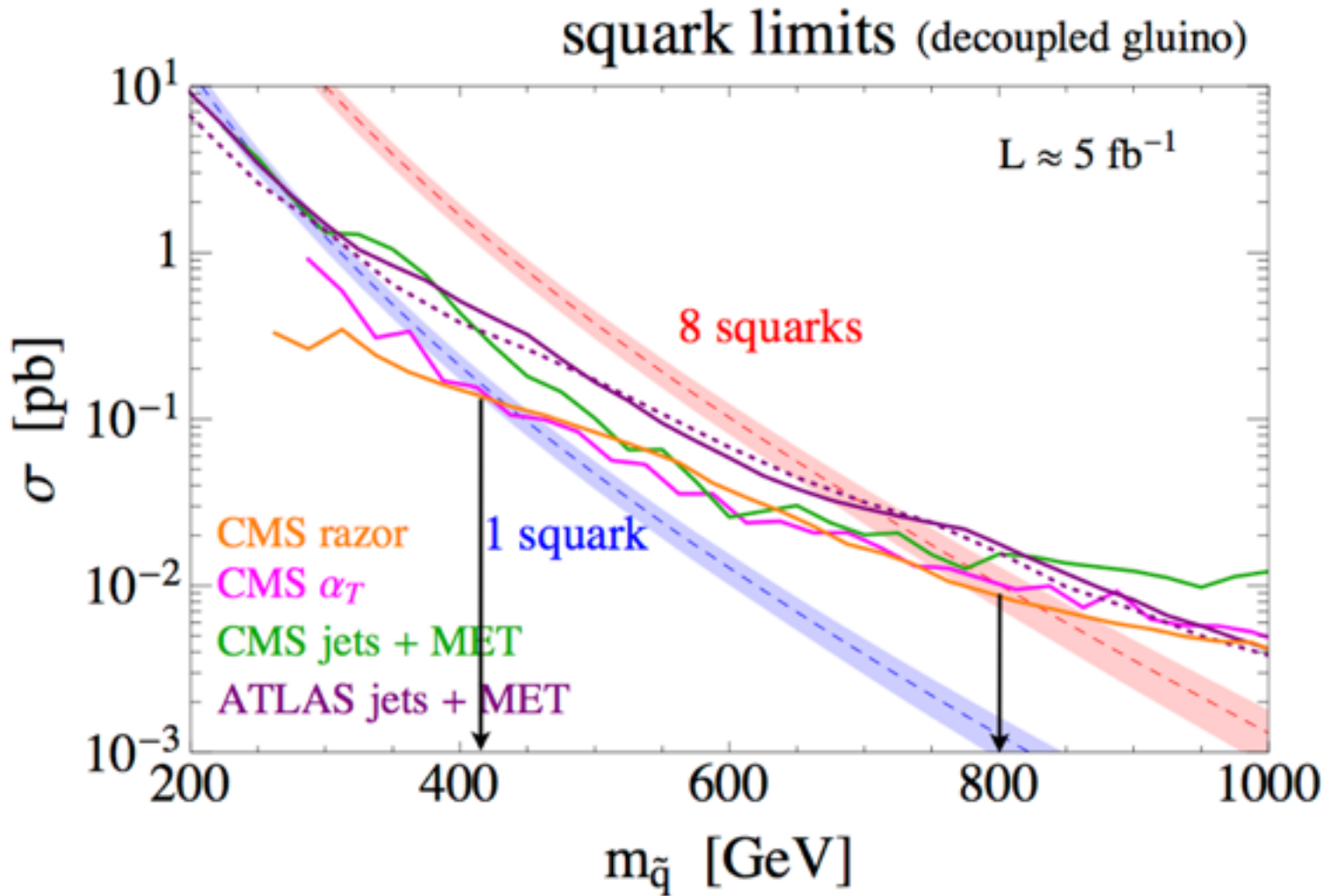
# PDFs: all 4 flavor “sea” squarks can be light!

sea vs. valence



See also: Heikinheimo, Kellerstein & Sanz (11); Kribs & Martin (12),

# Single squark can be as light as 400-500 GeV!



# Open parenthesis

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## Charm tagging at the LHC ATLAS EPS 2013

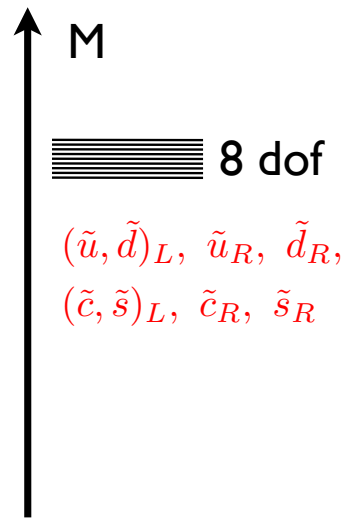
- ◆ In new ATLAS search for stop decay to charm + neutralino ( $\tilde{t} \rightarrow c + \chi^0$ ) charm jet tagging has been employed for the first time at LHC

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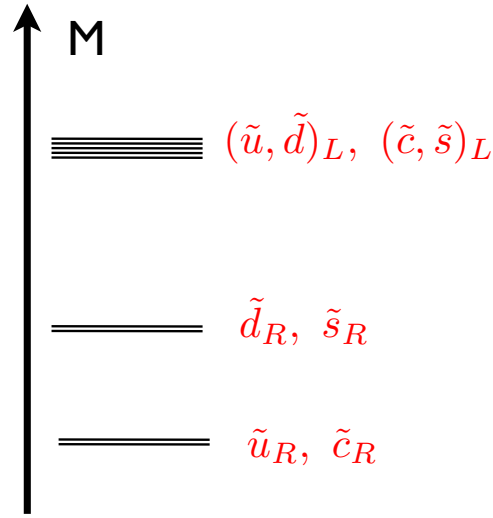
- ◆ charm jets identified by combining “information from the impact parameters of displaced tracks and topological properties of secondary and tertiary decay vertices” using multivariate techniques
  - ‘medium’ operating point: c-tagging efficiency = 20%, rejection factor of 5 for b jets, 140 for light jets. #’s obtained for simulated  $t\bar{t}$  events for jets with  $30 < p_T < 200$ , and calibrated with data

# Spectrum of flavorful natural models

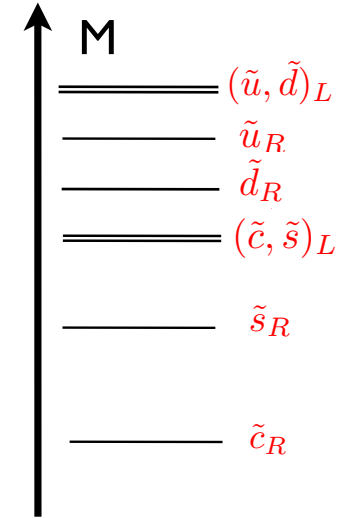
Mahbubani, Papucci, GP, Ruderman & Weiler (12).



Everything degenerate



Split, but MFV



Anarchy!

