

# Searches for supersymmetric partners of third-generation quarks with CMS

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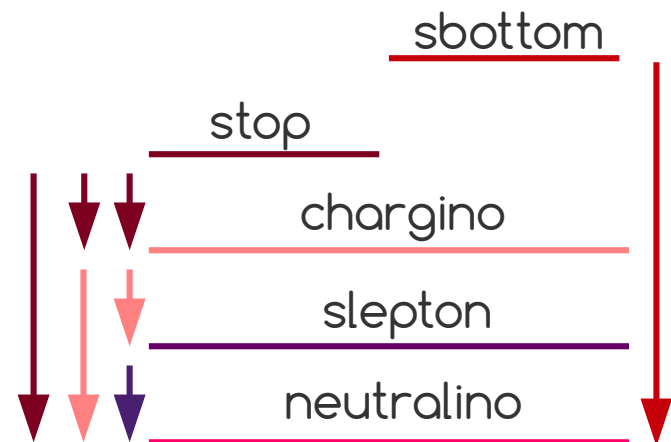
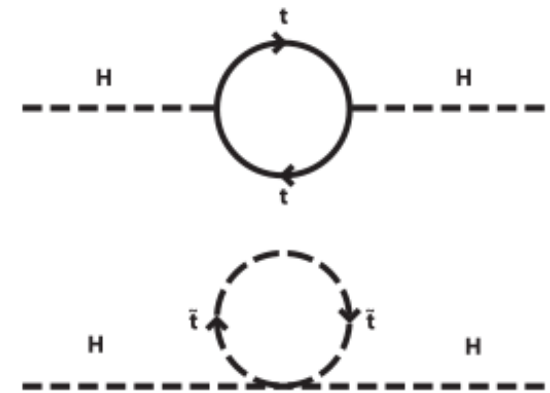


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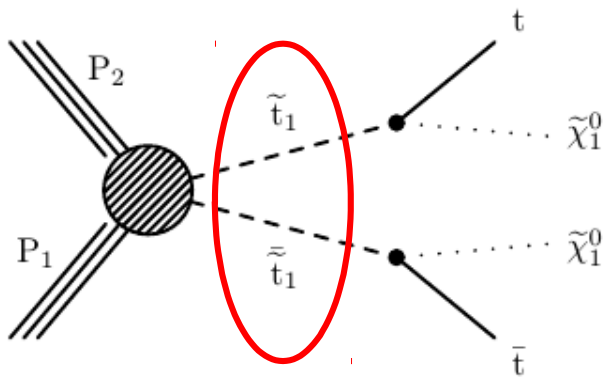
# Motivation

- The **naturalness** problem can be solved by SUSY
  - Cancellation of the loop corrections to the Higgs mass
    - third-generation squarks are expected to be light
- SUSY predicts a **dark matter candidate**
  - SUSY scenario dependent – it can be a neutralino, a slepton or a gravitino
- Only Simplified Model Spectrum (SMS) is considered here
  - In considered models the lightest supersymmetric particle (LSP) is the neutralino



# Production of the stop quarks

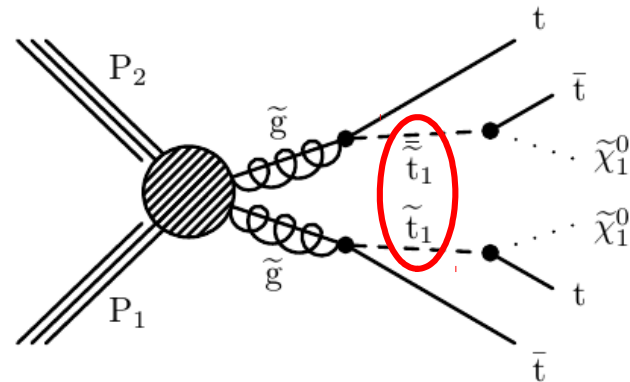
- Direct (e.g.)



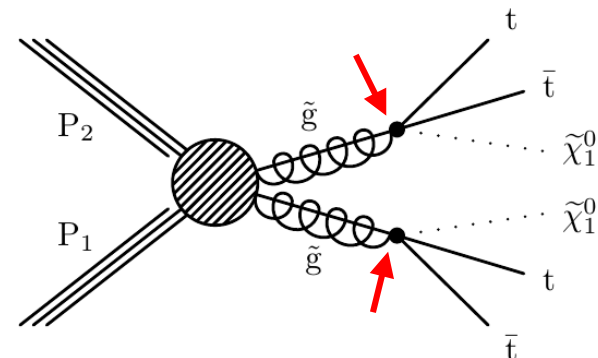
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- Gluino mediated

– On-shell stop



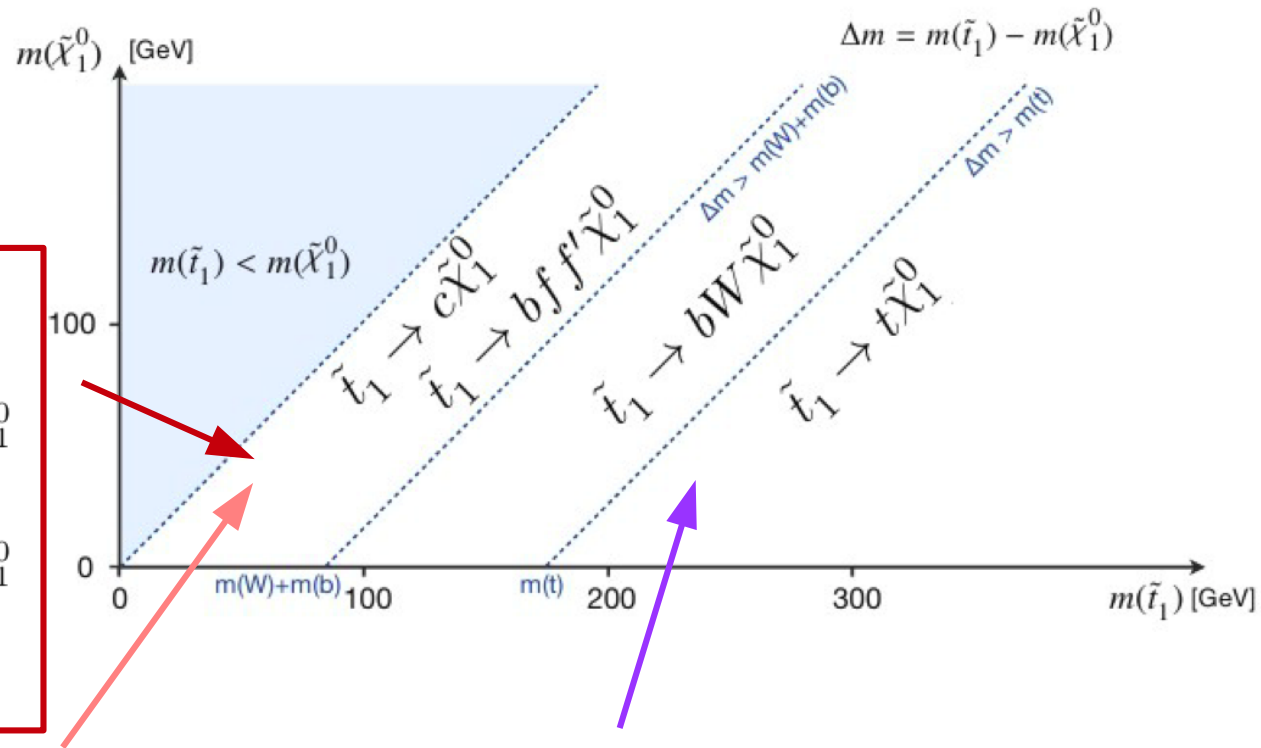
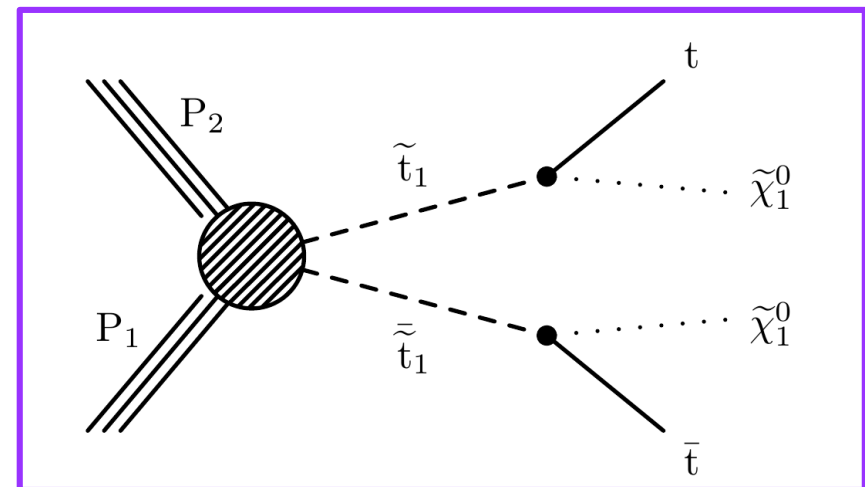
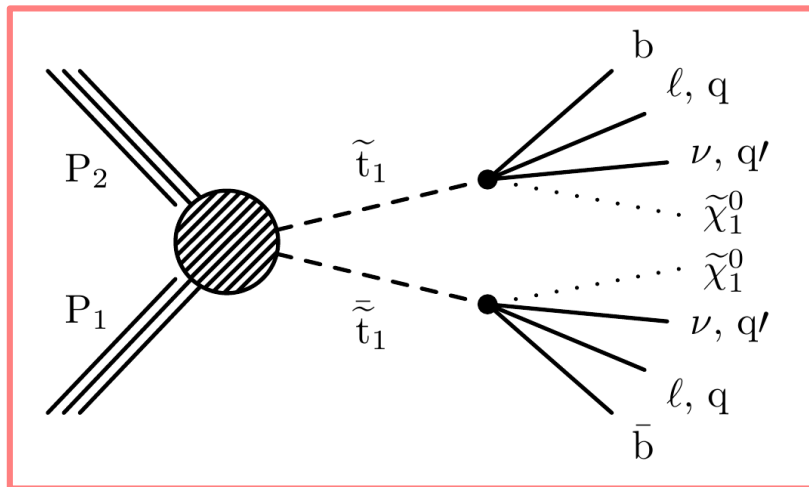
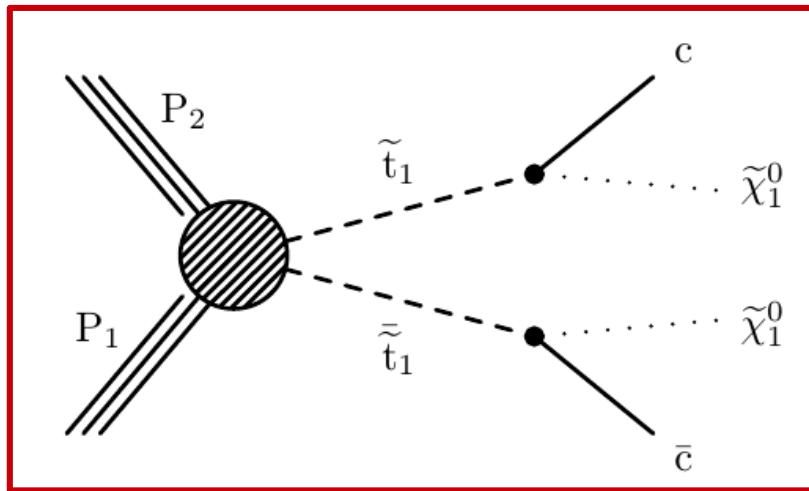
– Off-shell stop



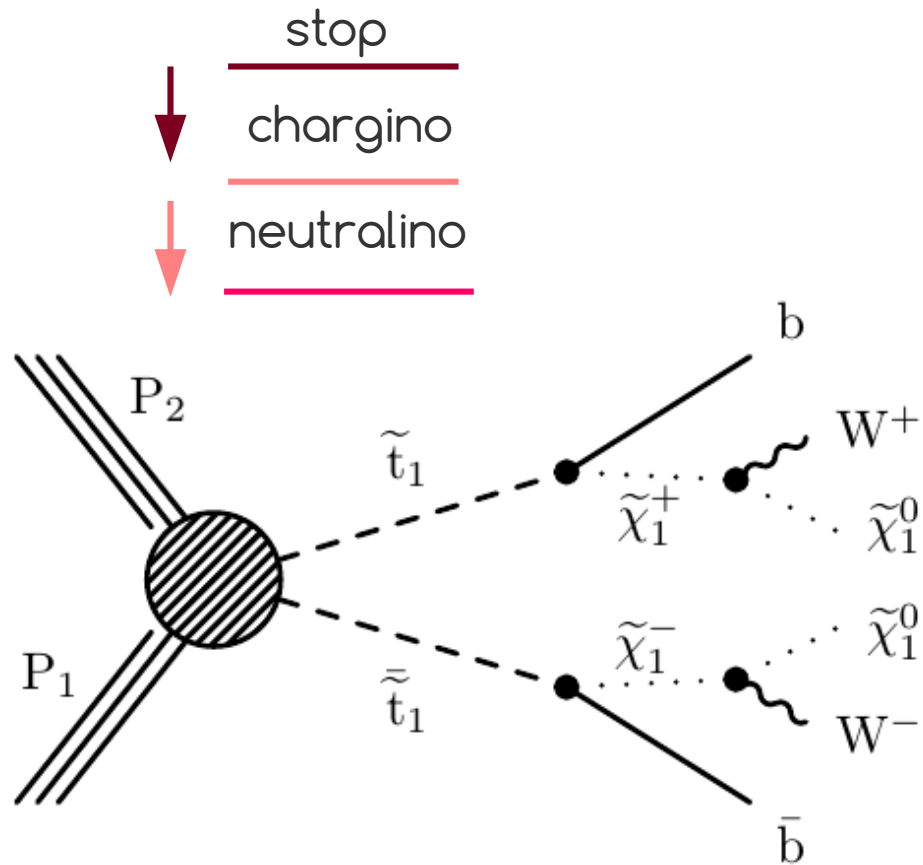
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# Stop decay channels: Basic

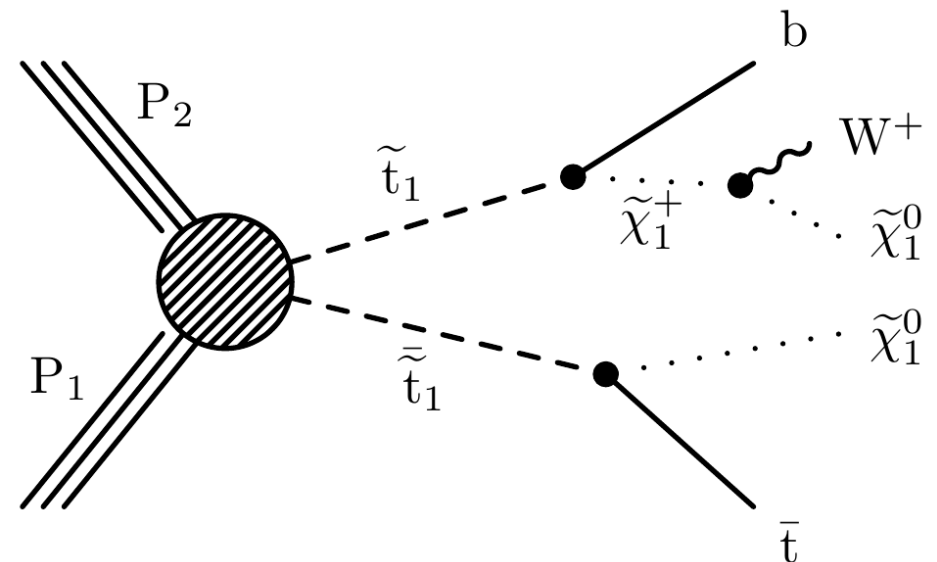
stop  
neutralino



# Stop decay channels: Adding intermediate chargino



Consider:  
 $m(\text{chargino}) = 0.5(m(\text{stop}) - m(\text{neutralino}))$

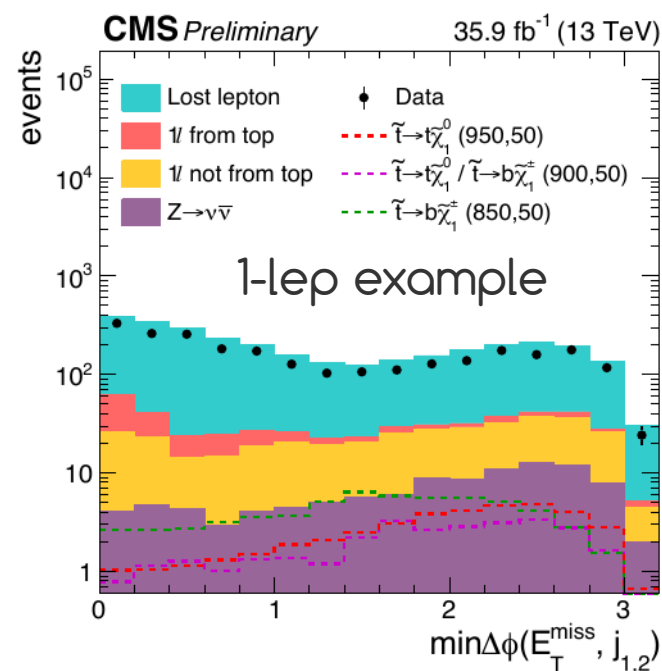
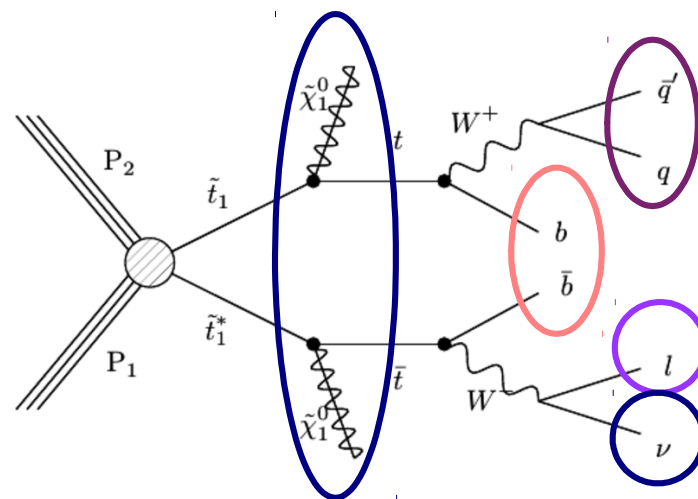


Consider:  
 $m(\text{chargino}) = 5 \text{ GeV} + m(\text{neutralino})$

# Signal signature (example)

- Multiple jets
- Multiple b-jets
- Large missing transverse energy (MET) from neutralinos and neutrino(s)
- 0/1/2 leptons from W bosons  
→ searches performed in 3 final states
- (pre)selection also based on other topological/kinematical variables to reject the majority of background
  - Example:  $\min \Delta\phi$  (jets, MET)  
shape different for signal and some backgrounds

1-lep example

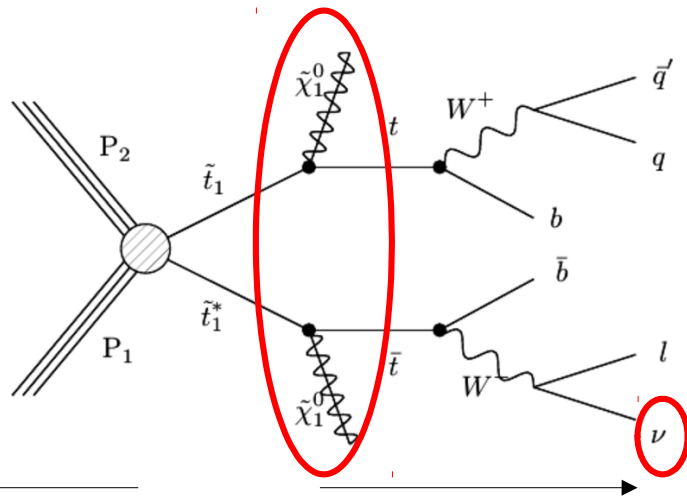


# Coverage of different kinematics regimes

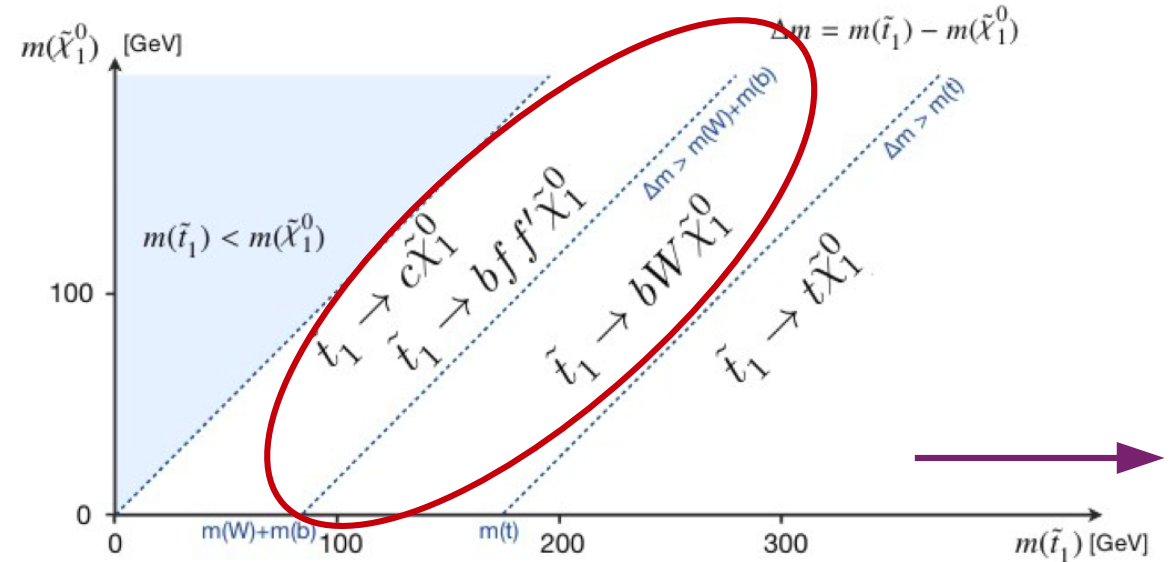
## Low $\Delta m$

- $\Delta m = m(\tilde{t}) - m(\text{LSP})$   
→ compressed spectra
- Kinematics similar to bkg one
- Soft decay products  
→ to have sufficient MET

**boost against ISR** needed – additional not b-tagged jet  
→ **soft b-tagging** – based on the presence of a secondary vertex

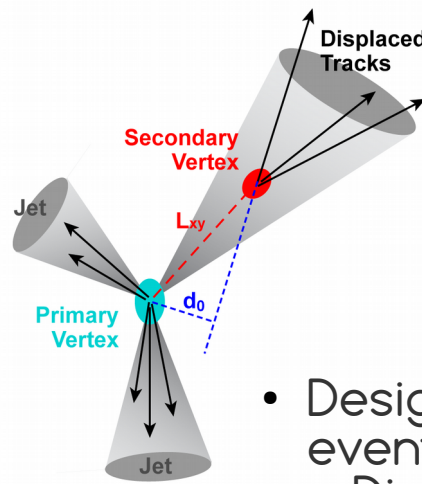


ISR system    Boost of the stop system



## High $\Delta m$

- Boosted topologies  
→ **W/top tagging**
- Different final state kinematics than in case of low  $\Delta m$

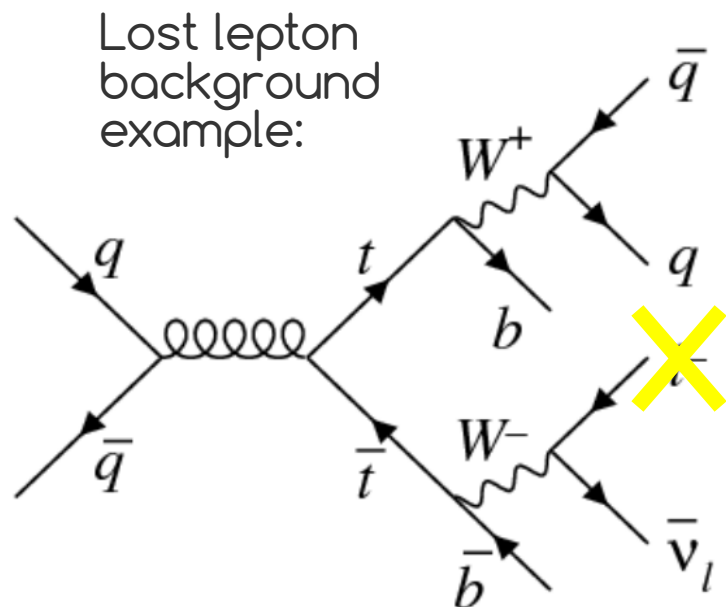


- Design variables for **categorization** of events:
  - Disentangle signals with different kinematics
  - Disentangle different backgrounds  
→ **use of various signal regions**



# Background composition

Final state	Typical background (ordered)				
0 lepton	Lost lepton ( $t\bar{t}\text{bar} \rightarrow l\bar{l}$ , W+jets, single top)	Z+jets( $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$ )	QCD	Rare ( $t\bar{t}\text{Z}$ , diboson)	
1 lepton	Lost lepton ( $t\bar{t}\text{bar} \rightarrow 2l, tW$ )	W+jets	$Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$ ( $t\bar{t}\text{Z}, WZ$ )	$t\bar{t}\text{bar} \rightarrow l\bar{l}$	
2 leptons	$t\bar{t}\text{Z}$	Top background ( $t\bar{t}\text{bar}/\text{single}$ $\text{top} \rightarrow 2l$ )	$t\bar{t}\text{H}/W, tZq, WZ$	multiboson	DY

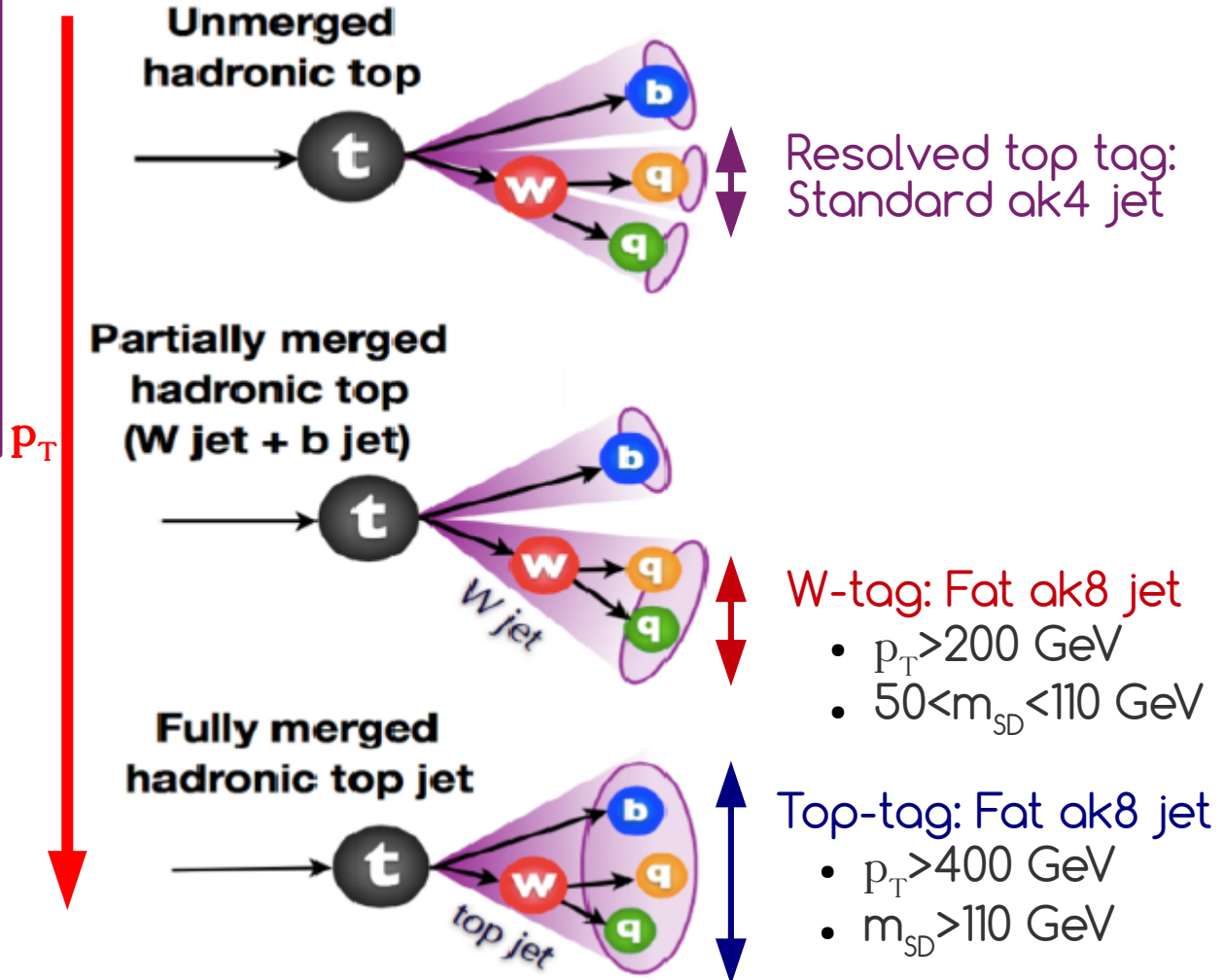


Background	Typically estimated → in majority of cases data driven methods
Lost lepton	Data driven; CR with <b>additional lepton</b> w.r.t. SR
$Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$ +jets	Data driven; $Z \rightarrow l\bar{l}$ and/or $\gamma$ +jets samples
QCD	Data driven; <b>low <math>\Delta\phi</math></b> CR
$t\bar{t}\text{Z}$ (WZ)	From MC with normalization derived from data
W+jets $\rightarrow l\bar{l}$	Data driven; <b>reverted b-tag</b> CR
Rare	Usually taken from MC

# 0-lepton stop search: top/W/resolved-top tagging (SUS-16-049)

- Use Multivariate analysis techniques (BDT) to distinguish 3-jet combination from top vs random combination
- **Variables for BDT:**
  - Kinematics of jets
  - Jet flavor discriminants
  - QG variables

- **Variables for BDT:**
  - **Fatjet:** Softdrop mass, N-subjettiness
  - **Softdrop subjects:** kinematic variables, b-tagging information, QuarkGluon variables



	Resolved-top tagger	W-tagger	Top-tagger
Efficiency/ mistag rate	Up to ~70% / 10%	Up to ~50% / 10%	Up to ~50% / 4%

$m_{SD}$  - softdrop mass - wide-angle soft radiation removed from a jet (to mitigate ISR, pileup,...)

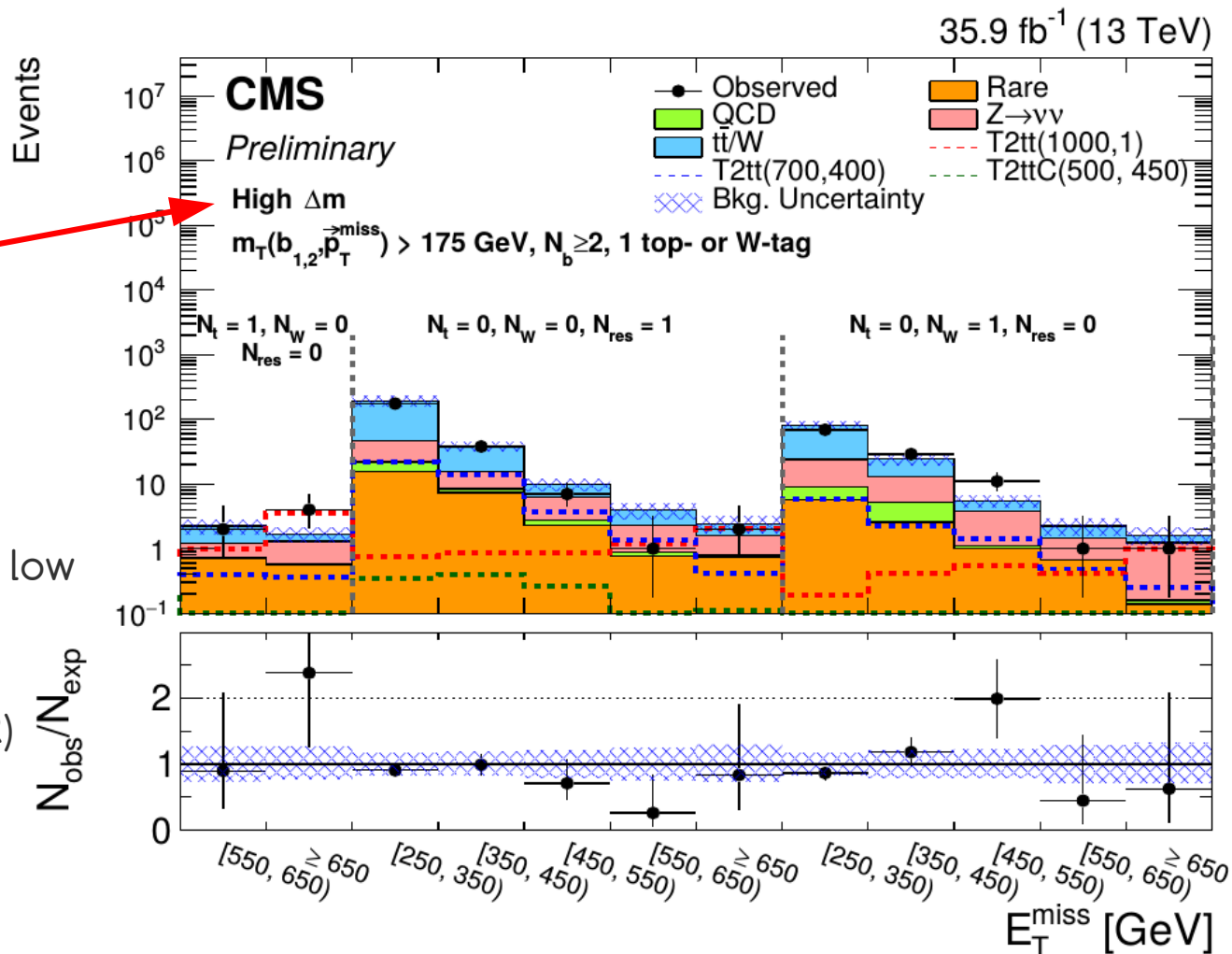
# 0-lepton stop search: Categorization

Different optimizations:

- Low  $\Delta m$ 
  - Soft b-tagging, ISR tagging and veto W/top tagging
- High  $\Delta m$ 
  - W/top/resolved-top tagger

## CATEGORIZATION:

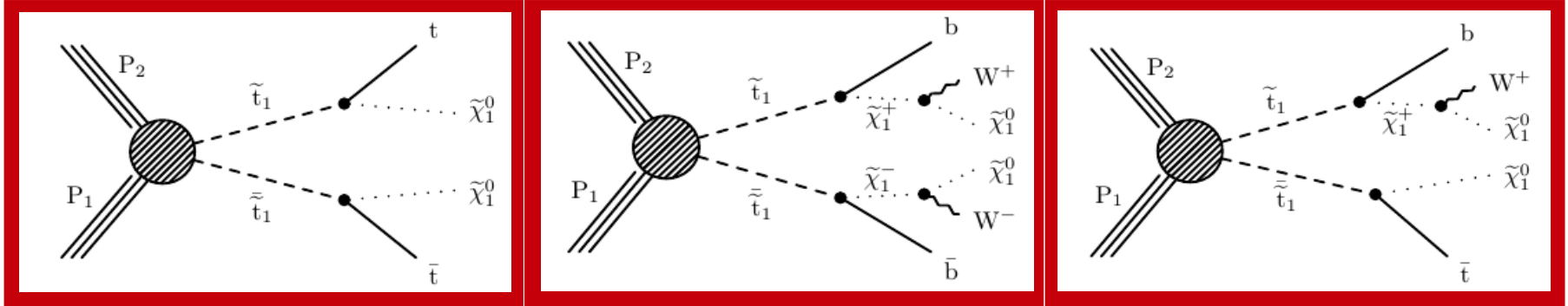
- $M_T(b, \text{MET})$  – discriminates between low and high  $\Delta m$  signal signature
- Low  $\Delta m$ 
  - $N_{\text{jets}}, N_{\text{bjets}}, p_T(b), \text{MET}, N_{\text{soft-btags}}, p_T(\text{ISR})$
- High  $\Delta m$ 
  - $N_{\text{jets}}, N_{\text{bjets}}, \text{MET}, N_{\text{top}}, N_W, N_{\text{resolved-top}}$



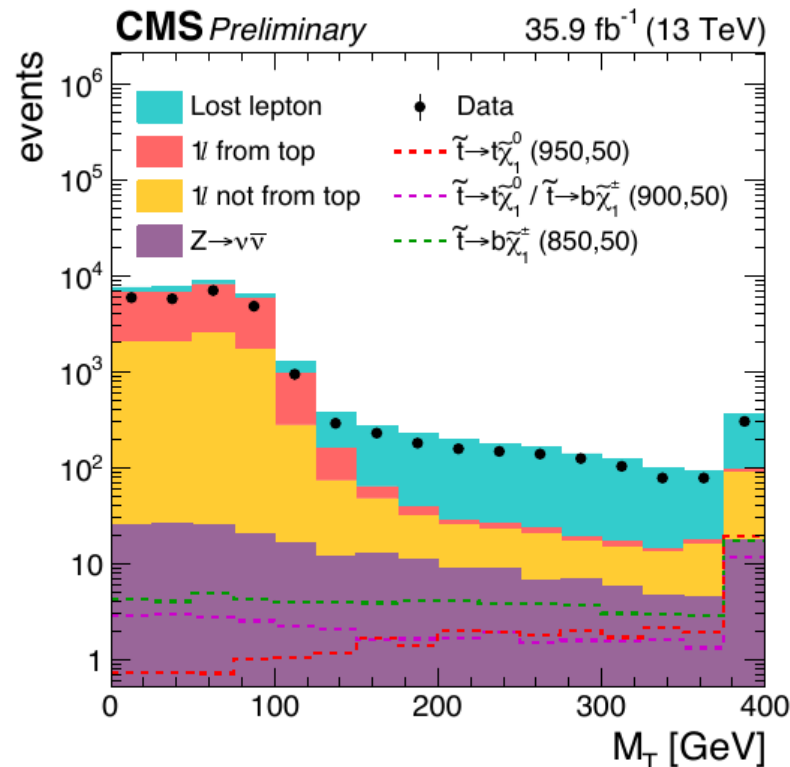
$$M_T(\text{object}, \text{MET}) = \sqrt{2 p_T^{\text{object}} \text{MET} (1 - \cos(\Delta\phi_{\text{object}, \text{MET}}))}$$

# 1-lepton stop search: Introduction

## (SUS-16-051)



- Separate analysis in the **compressed region** for the  $\text{stop} \rightarrow t + \text{LSP} \rightarrow$  increase of the sensitivity
  - Used for  $100 < \Delta m(t, \text{LSP}) < 225 \text{ GeV}$
  - Additional jet requirement  $\rightarrow$  ISR



$M_T(\text{lep}, \text{MET}) > 150 \text{ GeV}$

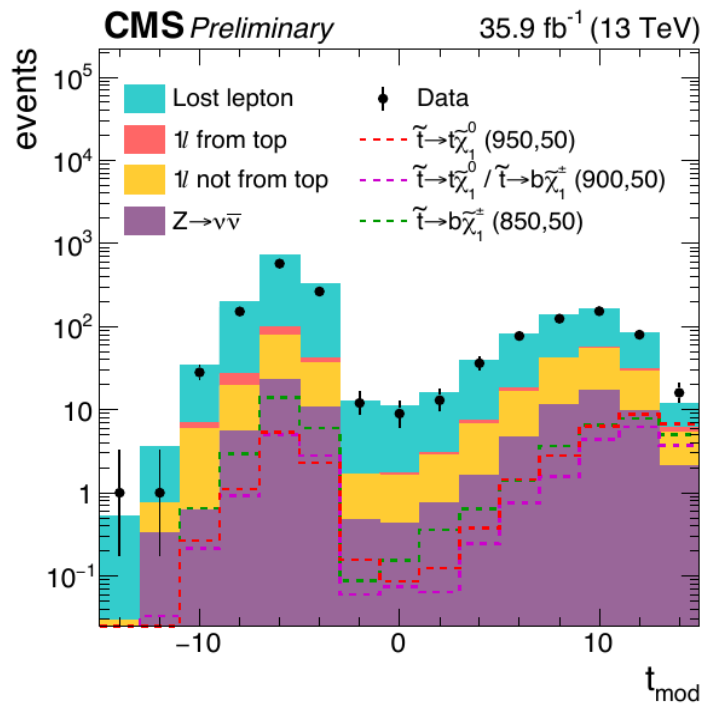
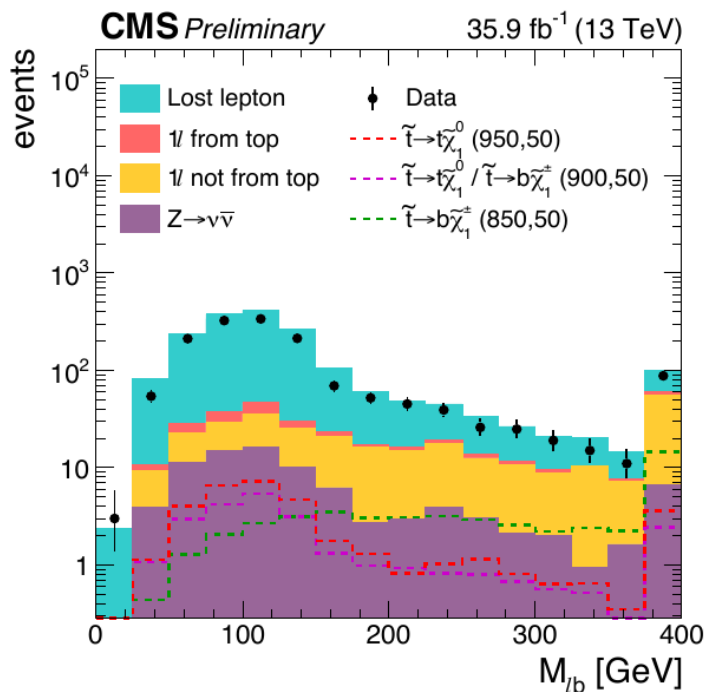
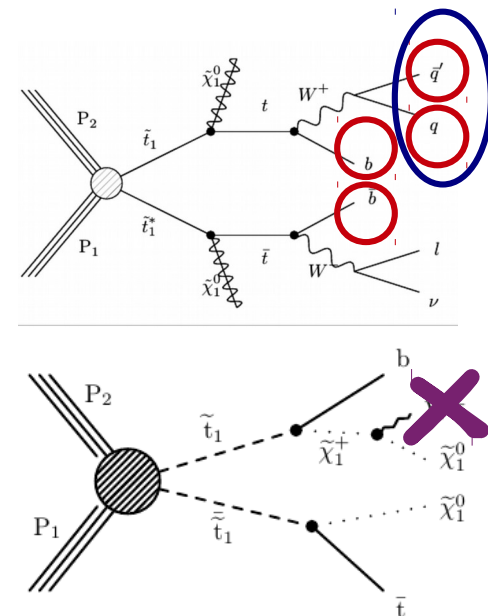
- Powerful variable for selection
- Helps to suppress mainly  $W + \text{jets}$  and  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow l\bar{l}$ , due to its endpoint at  $W$  mass

# 1-lepton stop search: Categorization

## CATEGORIZATION:

- MET
- $M_{lb}$  (Invariant mass of the reconstructed lepton and closest b-quark)
- **Modified topness** (variable telling how well the event agrees with  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow 2l$  hypothesis)

- 2-3 jets
  - boosted topologies  
→ **merged jets**
  - chargino and neutralino almost mass degenerated  
→ **soft jets**
- **$\geq 4$  jets**



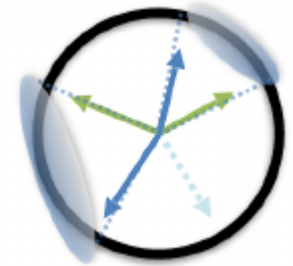
# 2-lepton stop search: Introduction

## (SUS-17-001)



$M_{T2}(\ell\ell)$

leptons+MET  
→ endpoint at W  
mass

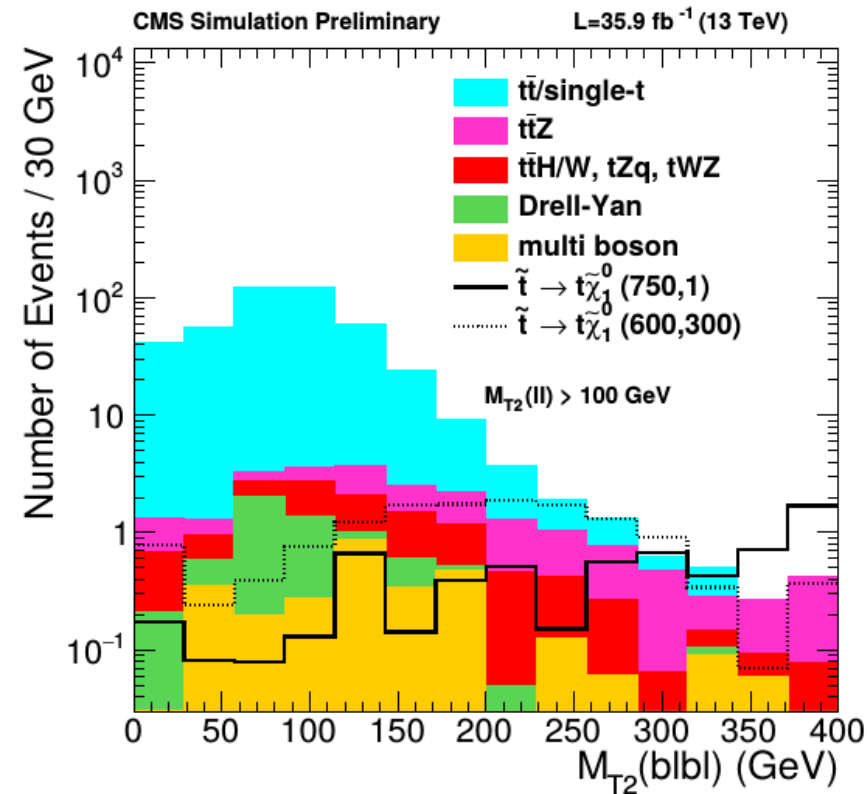
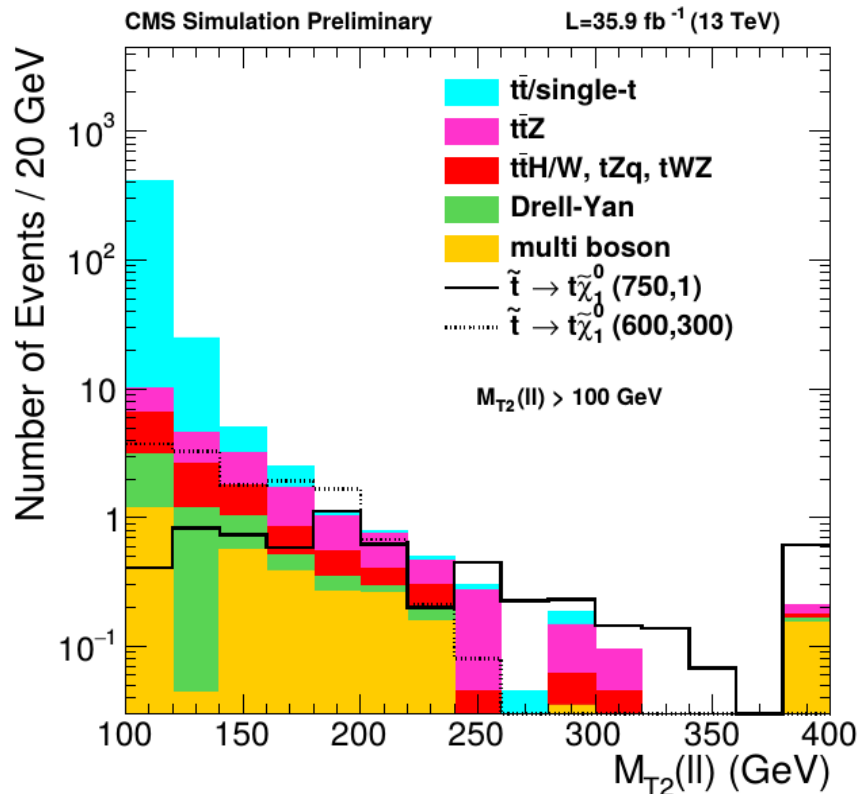


$M_{T2}(\ell b \ell b)$

leptons+MET+bjets  
→ endpoint at top  
mass

### CATEGORIZATION:

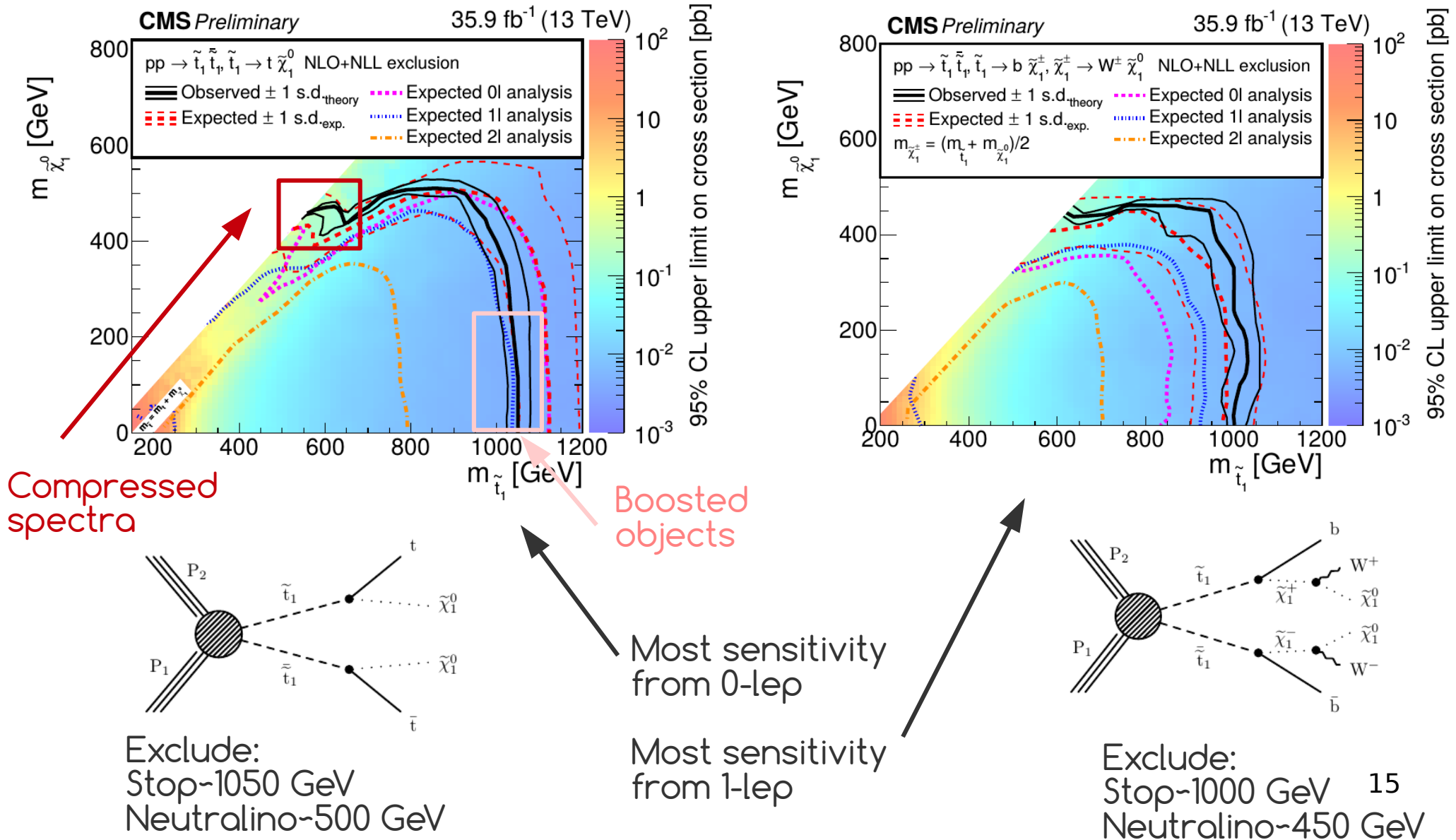
- Splitting in same and opposite flavor leptons
- MET
- $M_{T2}(\ell\ell)$
- $M_{T2}(\ell b \ell b)$



$$M_{T2}(\ell\ell) = \min_{\vec{p}_{T1}^{\text{miss}} + \vec{p}_{T2}^{\text{miss}} = \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}}} \left( \max \left[ M_T(\vec{p}_T^{\text{vis1}}, \vec{p}_{T1}^{\text{miss}}), M_T(\vec{p}_T^{\text{vis2}}, \vec{p}_{T2}^{\text{miss}}) \right] \right); \quad \vec{p}_T^{\text{vis1,2}} = \vec{p}_T^{\ell 1,2}$$

# Interpretations: combination of 0,1 and 2 lepton stop analyses

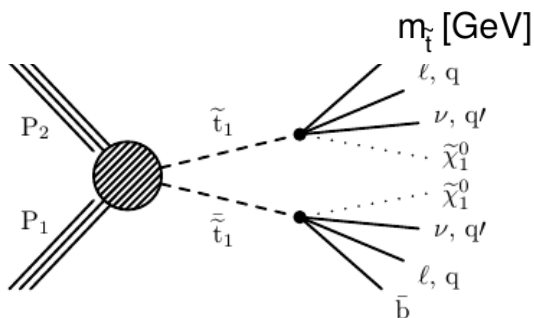
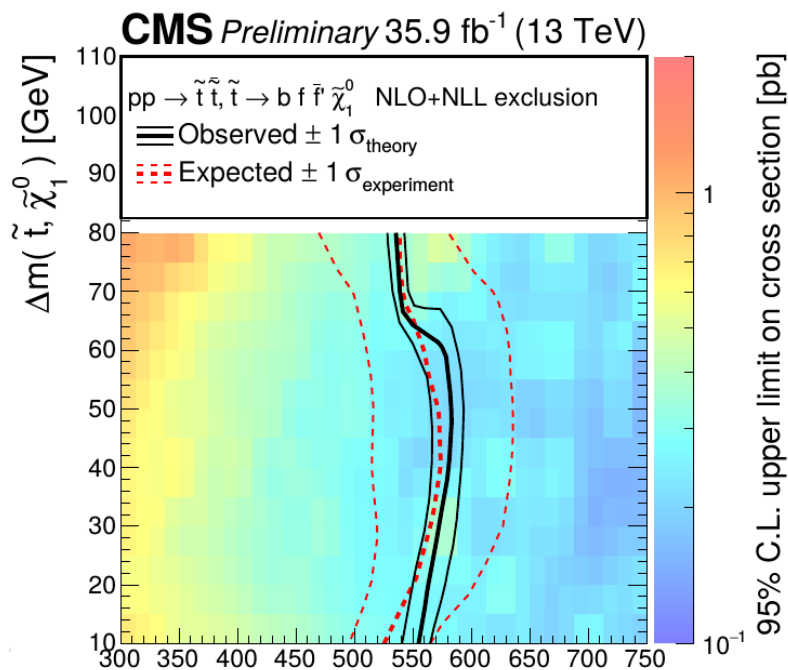
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# Other processes

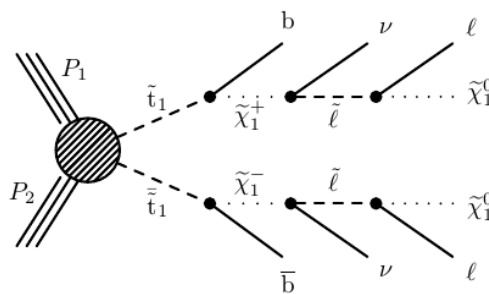
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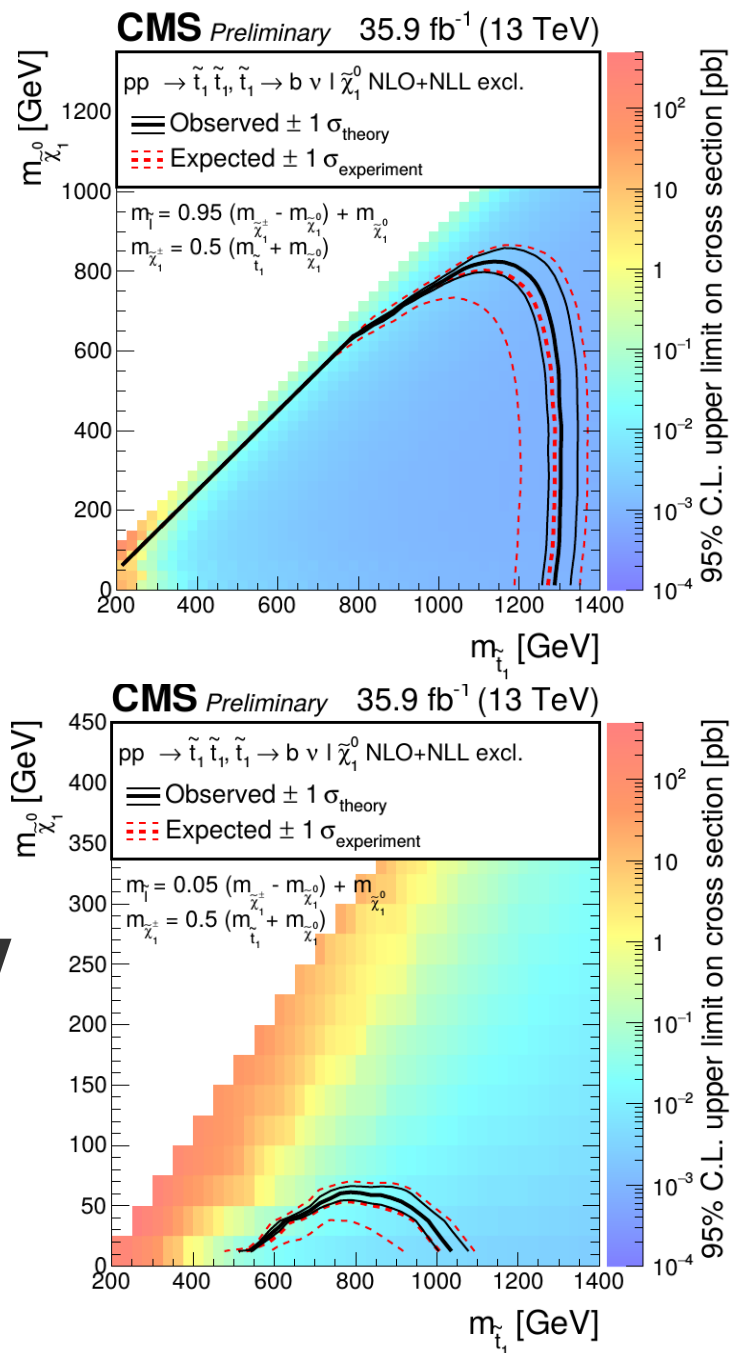
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 Neutralino~540 GeV

SUS-17-001

Cascade decay:



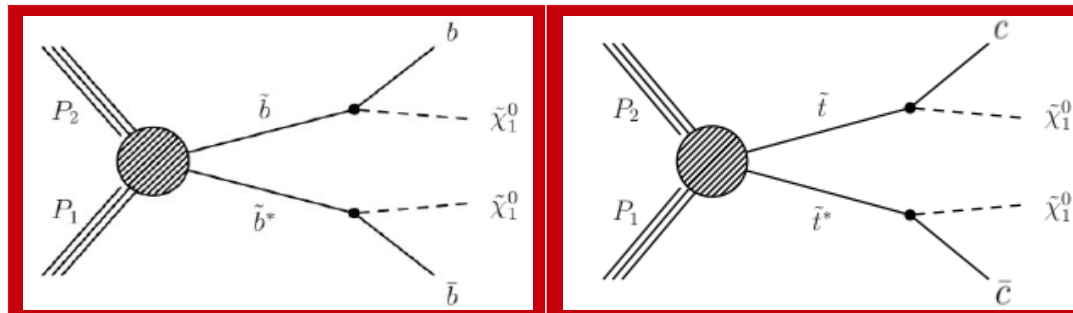
Different masses of intermediate particles (chargino, slepton) → much **weaker limits**





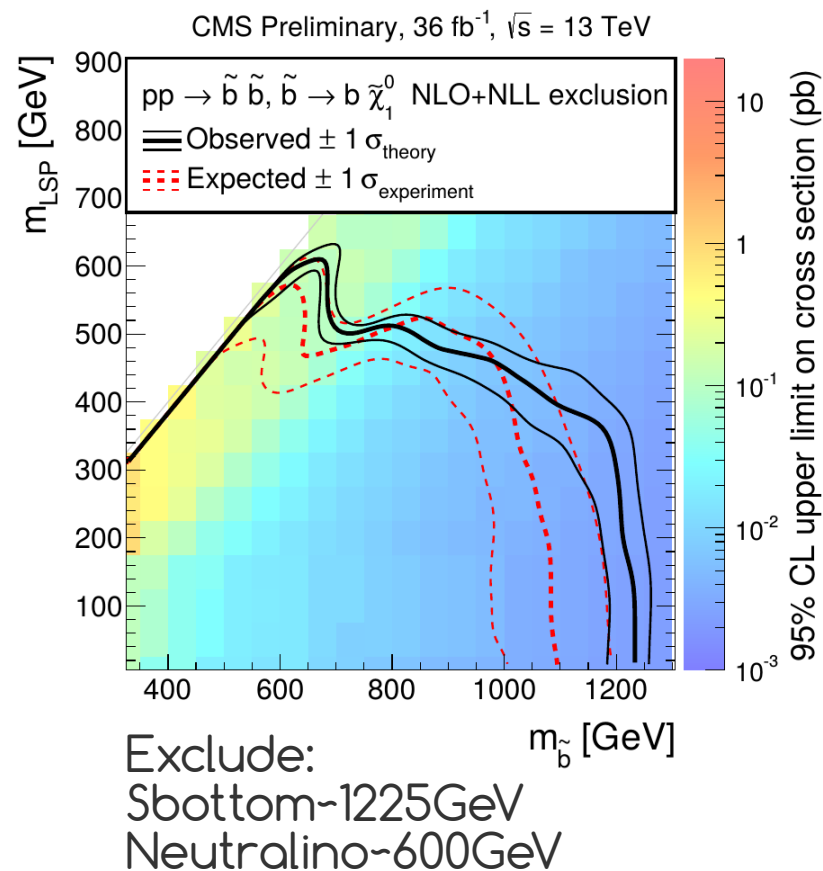
# Sbottom searches

- Several decay channels of sbottom are studied in CMS
- In this talk focus only on:  
**sbottom  $\rightarrow$  b + neutralino**



## 0-lepton sbottom/stop search (SUS-16-032)

- Search for direct bottom/top squarks production in final states with b/c jets and no leptons
- Heavy flavor jets tagging – first time the c-tagger is used in an analysis in CMS
- Separate optimizations
  - Low  $\Delta m$ 
    - $\Delta m(\text{sbottom/stop, neutralino}) < 100$  GeV
    - **ISR, soft b-tagging**
  - High  $\Delta m$ 
    - $\Delta m(\text{sbottom, neutralino}) > 100$  GeV



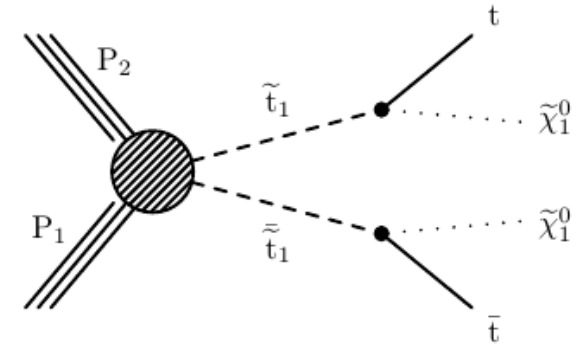
# Conclusion

- Presented **latest results of 3<sup>rd</sup> generation SUSY searches** in hadronic and leptonic final states with 35.9 fb<sup>-1</sup> of 13 TeV CMS data
- Unfortunately no sign of SUSY so far
  - limits were set in terms of Simplified Model Spectra
- But **rapid improvement in sensitivity**
  - Observed limits on the sparticle masses up to: **stop**~1.1 TeV, **sbottom**~1.2 TeV, **neutralino**~0.6 TeV
    - **Observed limit of stop mass extended by ~100 GeV with respect to ICHEP 2016**
  - **Not only scaling results with luminosity!**
    - Use of new techniques such as soft b-tagging or boosted objects tagging
    - Design of dedicated searches for compressed spectra
    - Exploring new discriminating variables
- Limits are **touching the naturalness bound** → depending on the realization of SUSY model (cascade model example) the limits can be weaker
- SUSY public results available at:  
<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/CMSPublic/PhysicsResultsSUS>

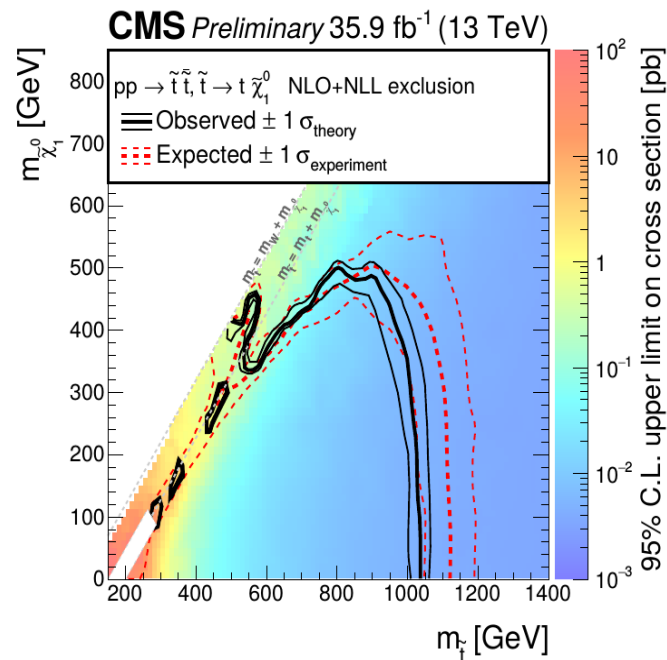


# BACKUP

# Interpretations

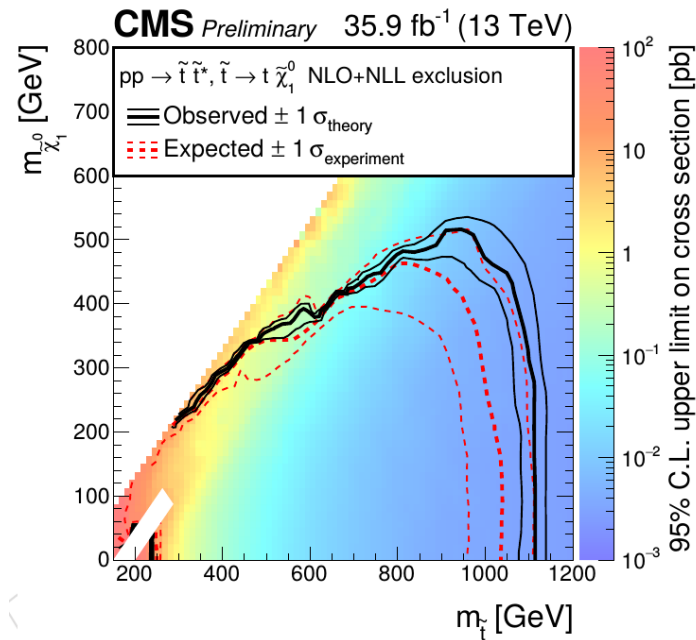


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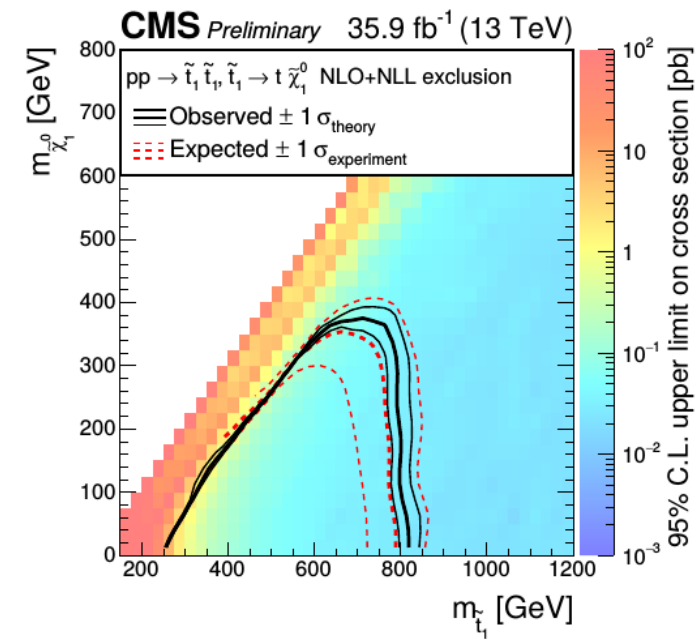
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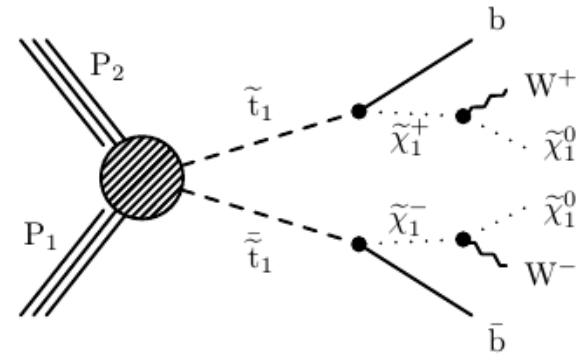
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Exclude:  
 Stop-850 GeV  
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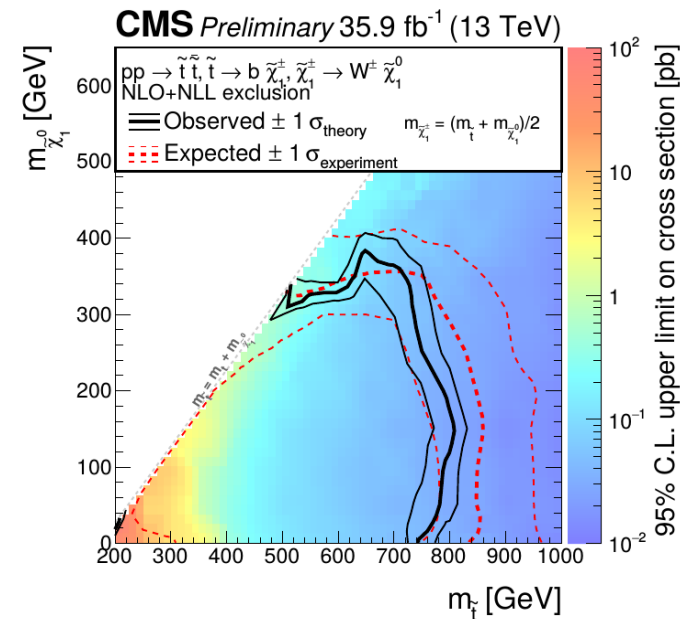
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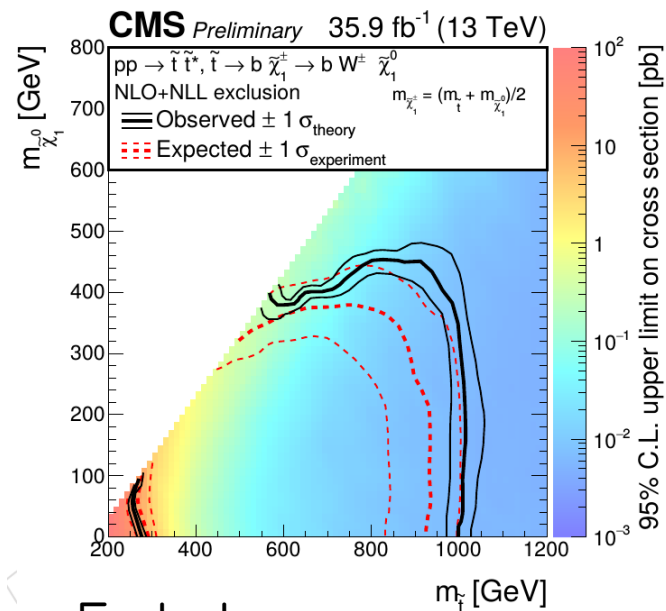
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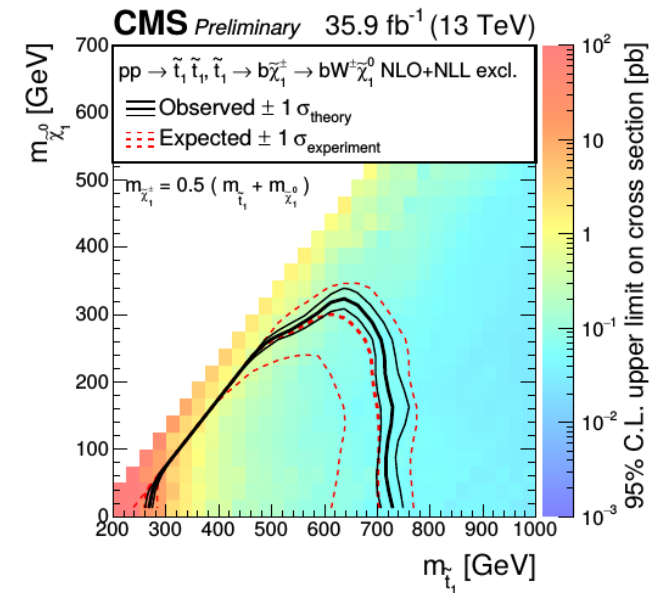
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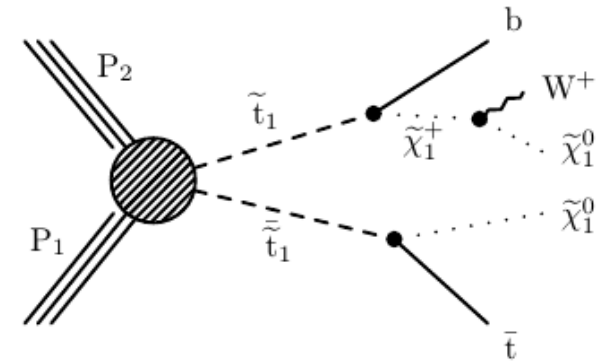


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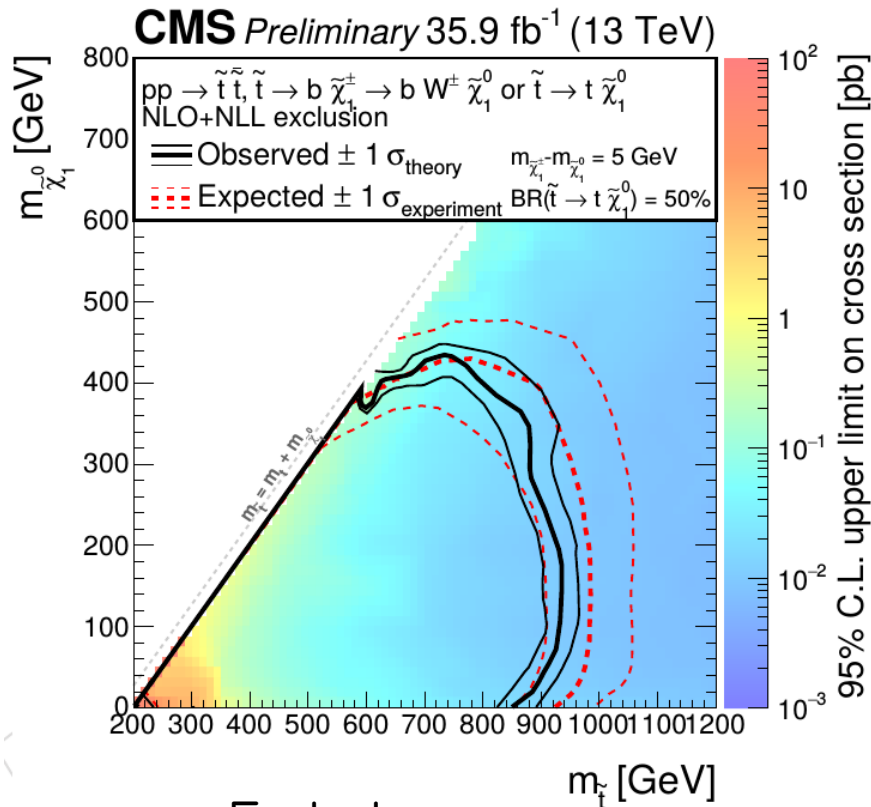
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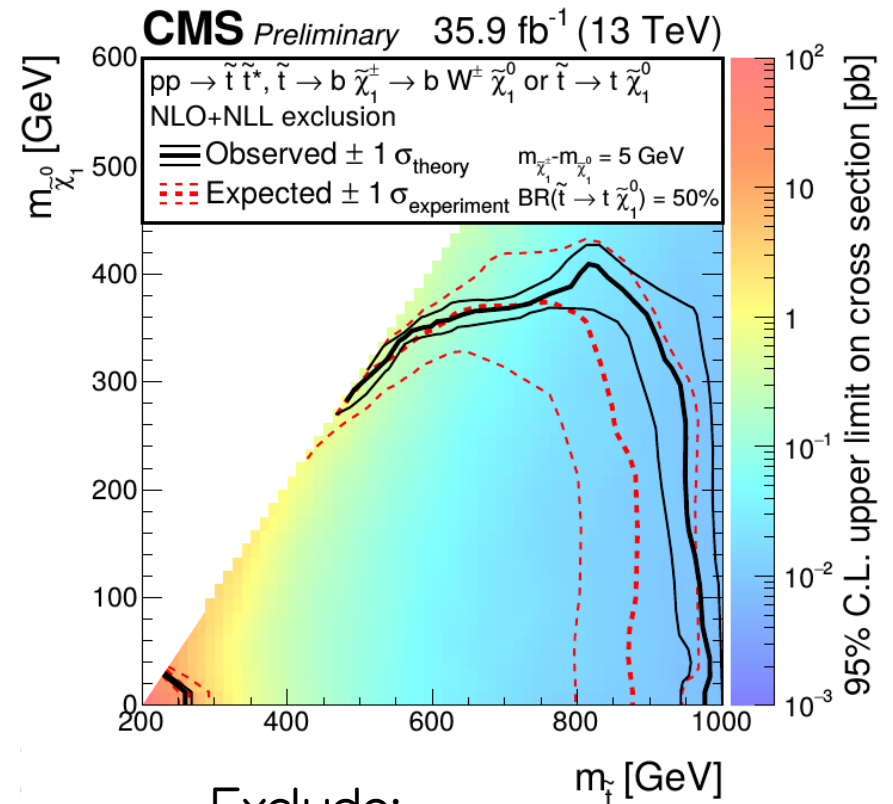


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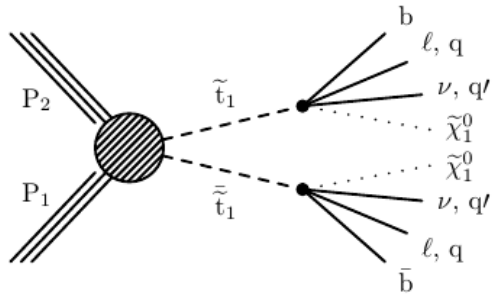


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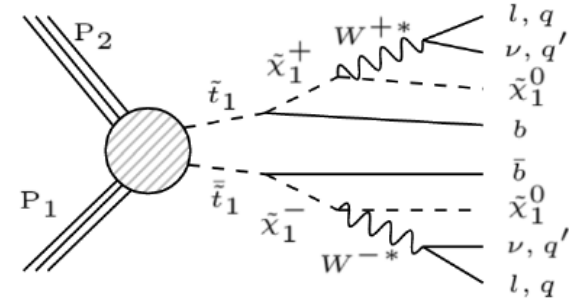


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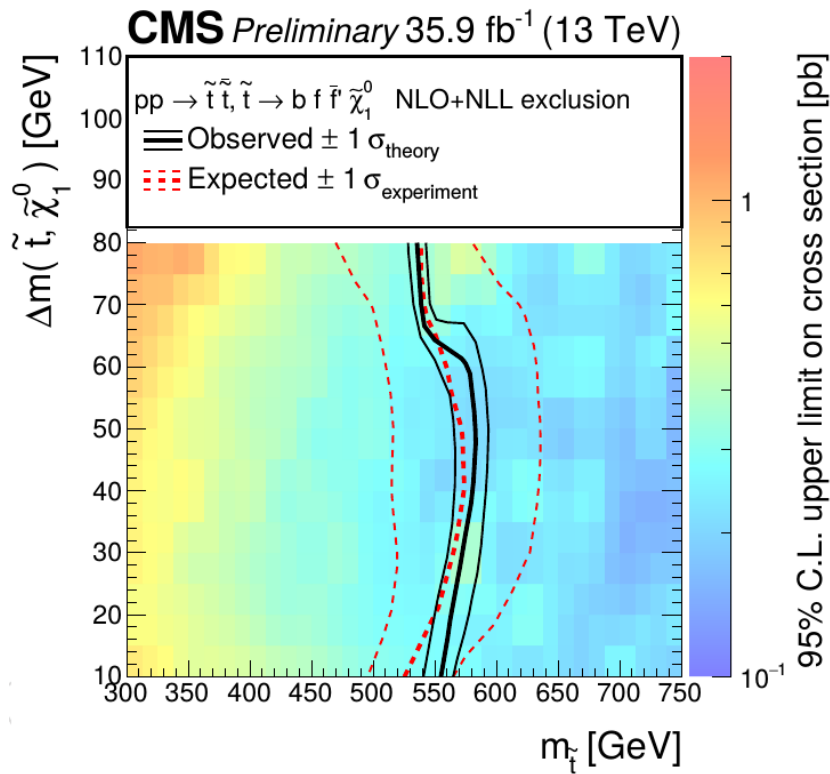
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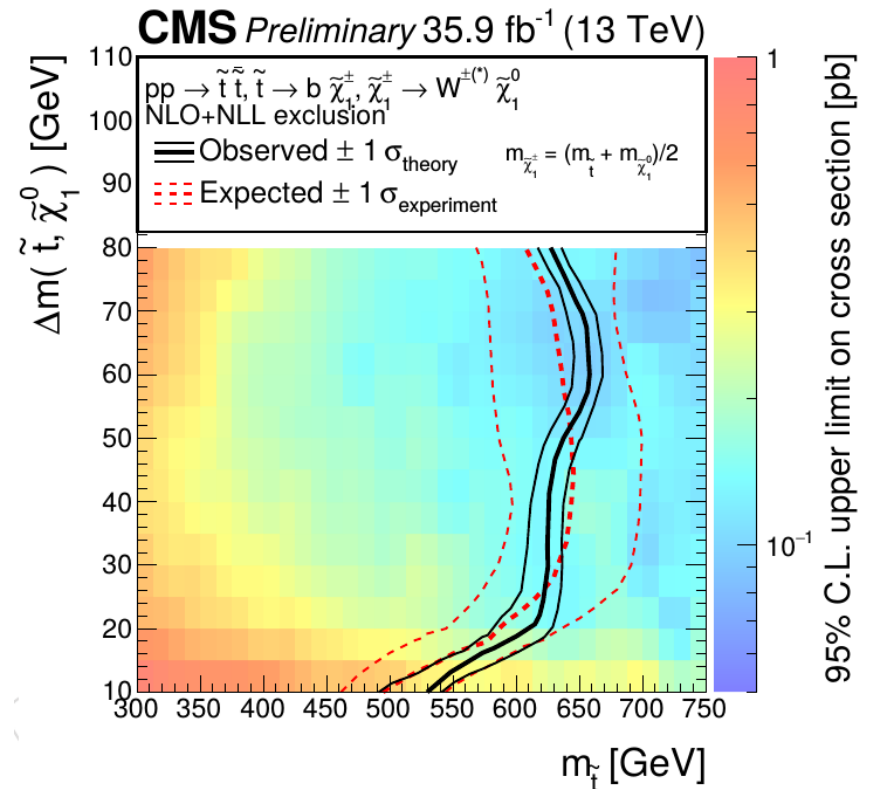
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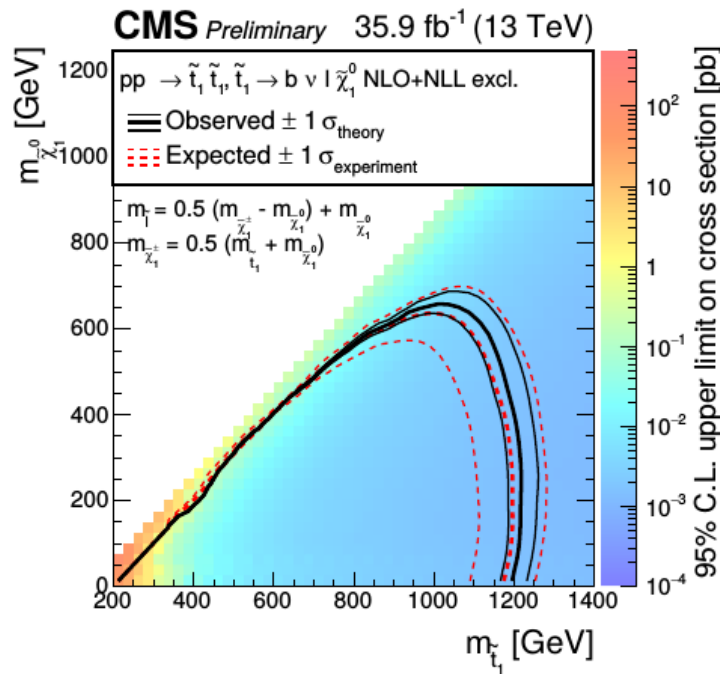
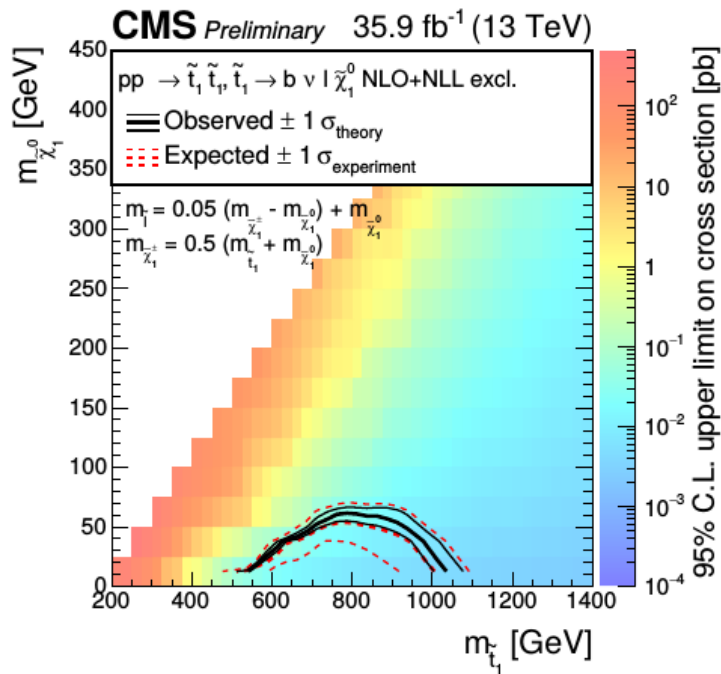
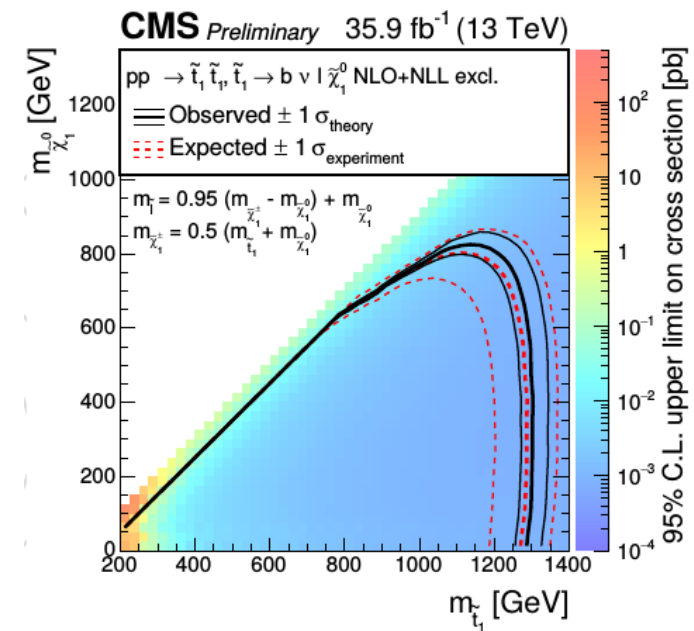
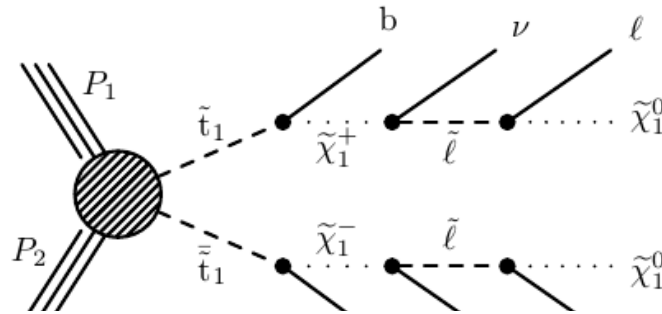
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# Interpretations - Cascade decay to two leptons

2-lep SUS-17-001

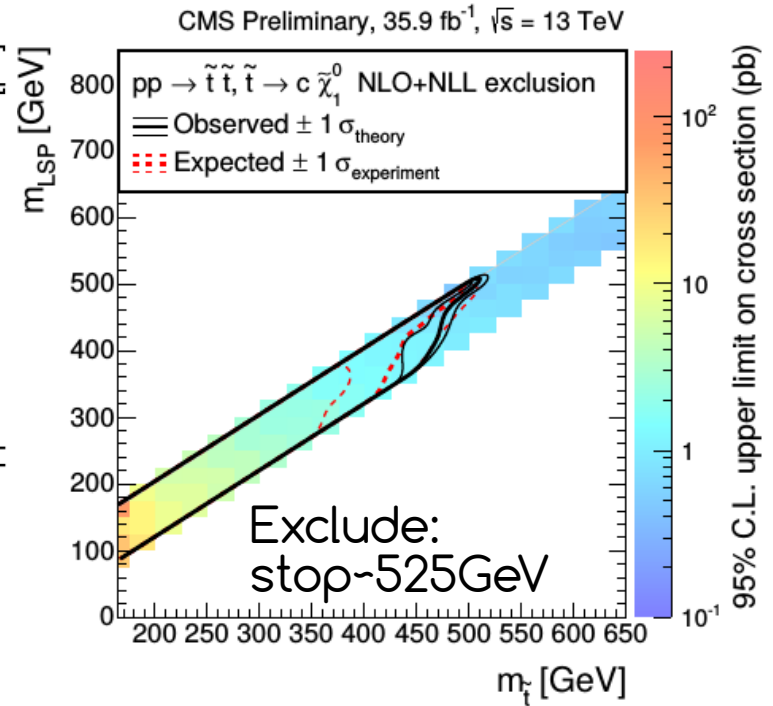
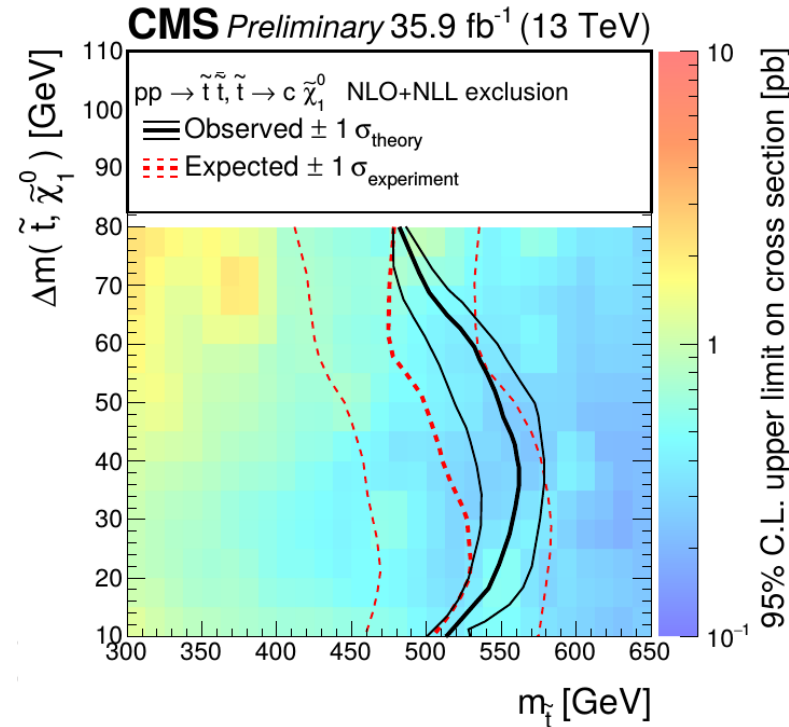
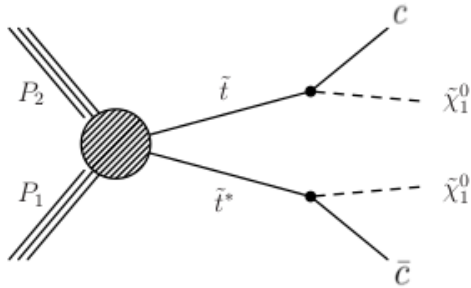




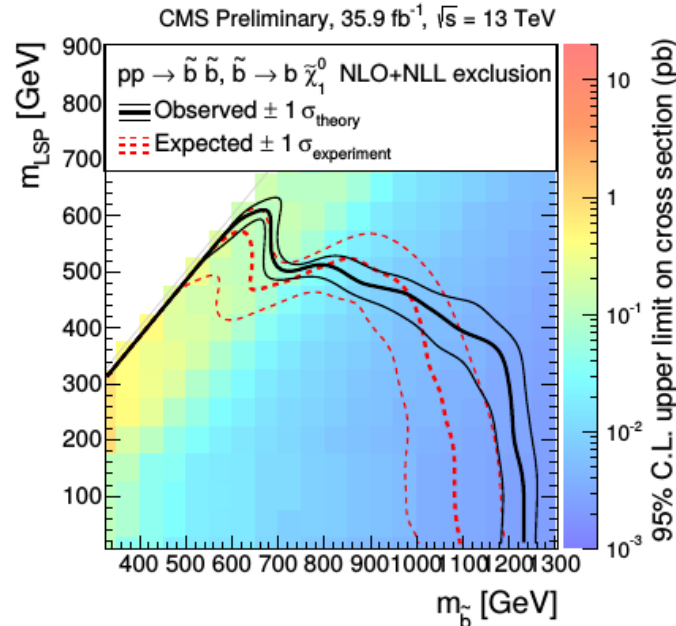
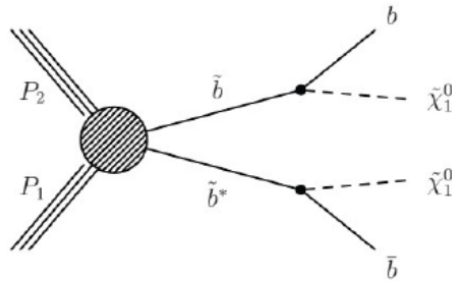
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0-lep SUS-16-049

0-lep SUS-16-032



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Exclude:  
sbottom-1225GeV  
neutralino-600GeV

# 0-lepton stop search: low vs high $\Delta m$

	Low $\Delta m$ category	High $\Delta m$ category
Preselection	MET > 250 GeV, $\Delta\phi(j_1, \text{MET}) > 0.5$ , $\Delta\phi(j_{2,3}, \text{MET}) > 0.15$ MET/sqrt(HT) > 10	MET > 250 GeV, $\Delta\phi(j_{1,2,3}, \text{MET}) > 0.5$
$N_{\text{jets}}$	$\geq 2$	$\geq 5$
$N_{\text{bjets}}$	$\geq 0$	$\geq 1$
$M_T(b, \text{MET})$ [GeV]	< 175	> 175
Tagging	ISR tagging ( $ \Delta\phi(\text{ISR}, \text{MET})  > 2$ ), soft-b tagging, veto top/W tags	Top/W tagging
Categorization	$N_{\text{jets}}, N_{\text{bjets}}, \rho_T(b), \text{MET},$ $N_{\text{soft-btags}}, \rho_T(\text{ISR})$	$N_{\text{jets}}, N_{\text{bjets}}, \text{MET}, N_{\text{top}},$ $N_W, N_{\text{resolved-top}}$

$H_T$  - sum of the  $p_T$  of jets

For the background with one source of MET, the  $\Delta\phi$  between MET and jet should be small (e.g. MET and jet originate from one top)

$$M_T(\text{object}, \text{MET}) = \sqrt{2p_T^{\text{object}} \text{MET} (1 - \cos(\Delta\phi_{\text{object}, \text{MET}}))}$$

Top/W veto helps significantly to reduce  $t\bar{t}b\bar{a}$  background

Low and high  $\Delta m$  regions are orthogonal and statistically combined for interpretation

# 1-lepton stop search

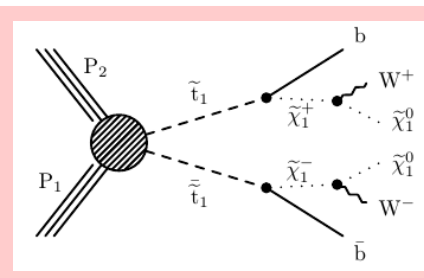
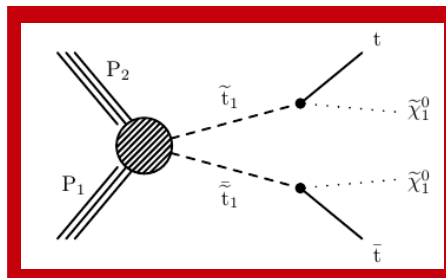
Nominal analysis:

- **PRESELECTION:**

- $\geq 2$  jets
- $\geq 1$  medium btag (or tight to gain more sensitivity in regions dominated by  $W$ +jets)
- $MET > 250$  GeV
- $\Delta\phi(j_{1,2,3}, MET) > 0.8$
- $M_T > 150$  GeV (helps to suppress mainly  $W$ +jets and  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow l\bar{l}$ , due to its endpoint at  $W$  mass)

- **CATEGORIZATION:**

- 2-3 jets,  $\geq 4$  jets
- MET
- $M_{lb}$  (Invariant mass of reconstructed lepton and closest b-quark)
- **Modified topness** (variable telling how well the event agrees with  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow 2l$  hypothesis)



## Compressed analysis:

- Additional jet requirement  $\rightarrow$  ISR
- Leading jet not b-tagged (ISR is not b)
- $p_T(l) < 150$  GeV (lepton relatively soft)
- $\Delta\phi(l, MET) < 2$  (system boosted in one direction)
- $\geq 1$  medium btag
- $M_T(l, MET) > 150$  GeV (endpoint at  $W$  mass if the only source of MET is one neutrino)
- $MET > 250$  GeV
- $\Delta\phi(j_{1,2,3}, MET) > 0.5$

# 2-lepton stop search

## PRESELECTION:

- $M_{T2}(ll) > 100 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\text{MET} > 80 \text{ GeV}$
- 2 leptons, at least 1 bjet and 2 jets

## CATEGORIZATION:

- $M_{T2}(ll) = \min(M_T(l1), M_T(l2)) \rightarrow$  endpoint at W mass if no additional MET in event
- $M_{T2}(lb\bar{lb})$  – endpoint at top mass
- MET

## BACKGROUND ESTIMATION:

- Top background
  - Normalize to  $M_{T2}(ll) < 100 \text{ GeV}$  control region
- One global fit is used to constrain DY, diboson and ttZ
  - Fit of DY and dibosons in 13 CR
  - Fit of ttZ in 5 CR
- Other (ttH, ttW, tZq, ...) taken from simulations with 25% uncertainty

# 0-lepton sbottom/stop search

MET  
enhanced  
due to ISR

Contranverse mass  
 $m_{CT} = 2p_T(j_1)p_T(j_2)$   
 $(1+\cos\Delta\phi(j_1,j_2))$

	Low $\Delta m$ category	High $\Delta m$ category
Used in	$\Delta m(\text{sbottom/stop, neutralino}) < 100 \text{ GeV}$	$\Delta m(\text{sbottom, neutralino}) > 100 \text{ GeV}$
Preselection	MET > 250 GeV, min $\Delta\phi(j_{1,2,3}, \text{MET}) > 0.4$ , ( $p_T(\text{ISR}) + \text{MET}$ )/MET < 0.5	MET > 250 GeV, min $\Delta\phi(j_{1,2,3}, \text{MET}) > 0.4$ , min $m_T(j_{1,2}, \text{MET}) > 250 \text{ GeV}$ , $m_{CT} > 150 \text{ GeV}$
$N_{\text{jets}}$	2,3 or 4	2,3 or 4
$N_{\text{bjets}}$	$\geq 0$	2 leading jets must be b-tagged
Tagging	ISR tagging, soft-b tagging	-
Categorization	$N_{\text{bjets}}, N_{\text{cjets}}, N_{\text{soft-btags}}, \text{MET}, H_T(\text{of bjets})$	MET, $m_{CT}$ , $H_T(\text{of two leading jets})$