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Introduction to Supersymmetry

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Overview

- What is SUSY?
- The Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model
- Phenomenology

What is SUSY?

Symmetries in physics

- We know Einstein's (Poincaré's) symmetry well. Lengths of **external** four-vectors are invariant:

$$x^\mu \rightarrow x'^\mu = \Lambda^\mu_\nu x^\nu + a^\mu, \quad (x' - y')^2 = (x - y)^2$$

- We also have **internal** gauge symmetries:

$$SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$$

- Can the Poincaré symmetry be extended? **Yes**
- Can we unify internal and external symmetries?
Yes, but not really the way we would have liked...

Symmetries in physics

- Symmetries are described by a group and its algebra (relations of generators of the group).
- The Poincaré algebra:

$$[P_\mu, P_\nu] = 0$$

$$[M_{\mu\nu}, M_{\rho\sigma}] = -i(g_{\mu\rho}M_{\nu\sigma} - g_{\mu\sigma}M_{\nu\rho} - g_{\nu\rho}M_{\mu\sigma} + g_{\nu\sigma}M_{\mu\rho}).$$

$$[M_{\mu\nu}, P_\rho] = -i(g_{\mu\rho}P_\nu - g_{\nu\rho}P_\mu)$$

- *No-go theorem*, Coleman & Mandula (1967).
- Haag, Lopuszanski and Sohnius (1975):
allow for anti-commutators in algebra.

Supersymmetry

- Introduce new generator Q_a (a Majorana spinor) mapping fermion states to bosons and back.
- The (N=1) super-Poincaré algebra:

$$[P_\mu, P_\nu] = 0$$

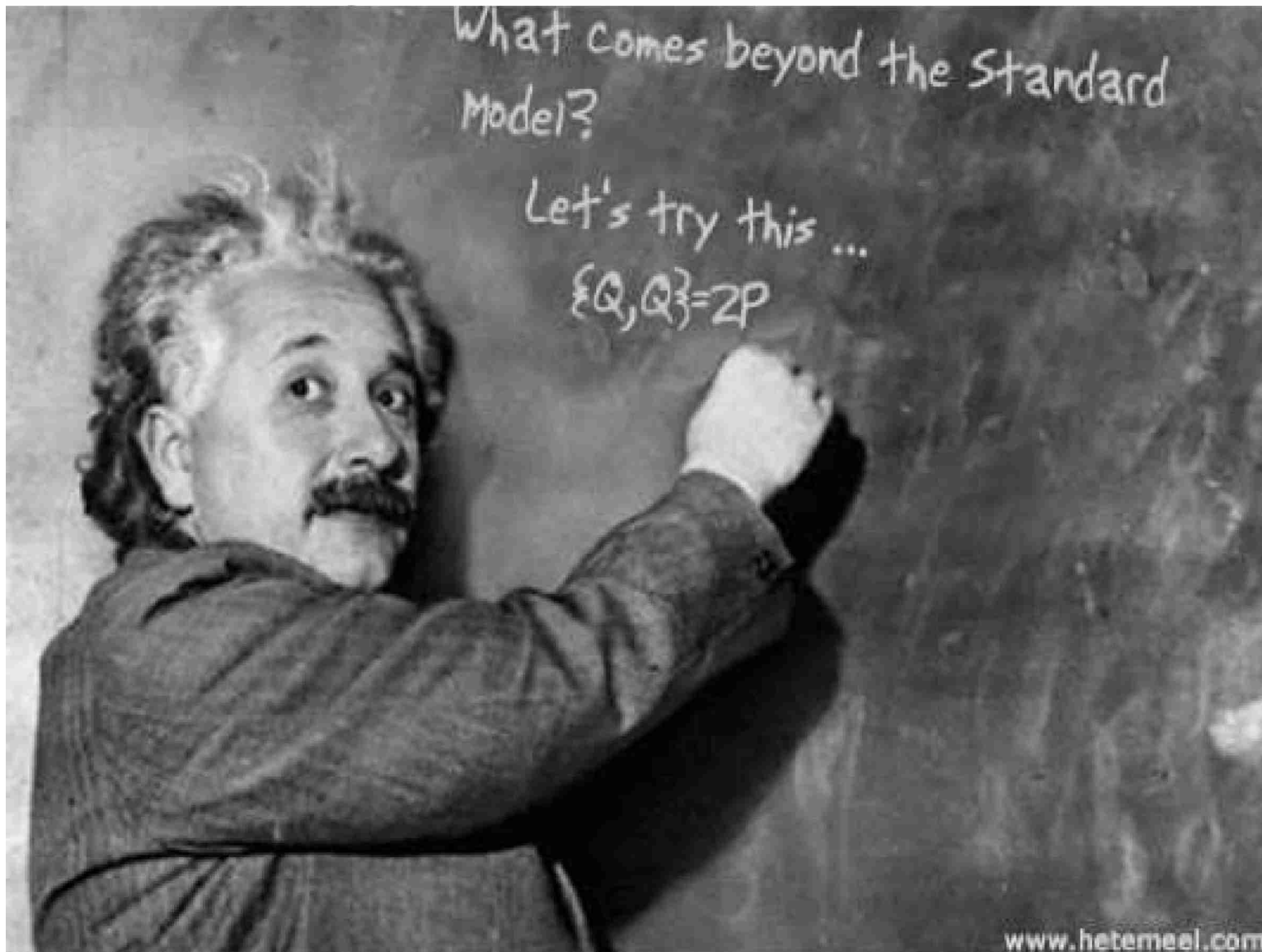
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$$[Q_a, P_\mu] = 0$$

$$[Q_a, M_{\mu\nu}] = (\sigma_{\mu\nu}Q)_a$$

$$\{Q_a, \bar{Q}_b\} = 2\mathcal{P}_{ab}$$



Supersymmetry

- Some immediate consequences:
 - Equal number of fermion and boson states (not particles!)
 - Partners inherit mass (and other couplings)
 - Proof directly from algebra.
- These properties are vital to the solution of the Higgs hierarchy problem.
- But where have all the bosons gone?

Spontaneous SUSY breaking

- Just as in the Higgs mechanism we can use the scalar potential of the theory to break SUSY.
- However, we are limited by the supertrace relation

$$\text{STr } M^2 = \sum_s (-1)^{2s} (2s+1) \text{Tr } M_s^2 = 0$$

- All new scalars can not be heavier than all the fermions!
- Solution: put breaking at high scale with extra fermions.

Spontaneous SUSY breaking

- We parametrize our ignorance of the exact mechanism by adding SUSY breaking terms

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{soft}} = -\frac{1}{2}M\lambda^A\lambda_A - \left(\frac{1}{6}a_{ijk}A_iA_jA_k + \frac{1}{2}b_{ij}A_iA_j + t_iA_i + \frac{1}{2}c_{ijk}A_i^*A_jA_k + c.c.\right) - m_{ij}^2A_i^*A_j$$

- These are the **soft breaking terms** (do not reintroduce the hierarchy problem).
- Dramatic phenomenological effect!

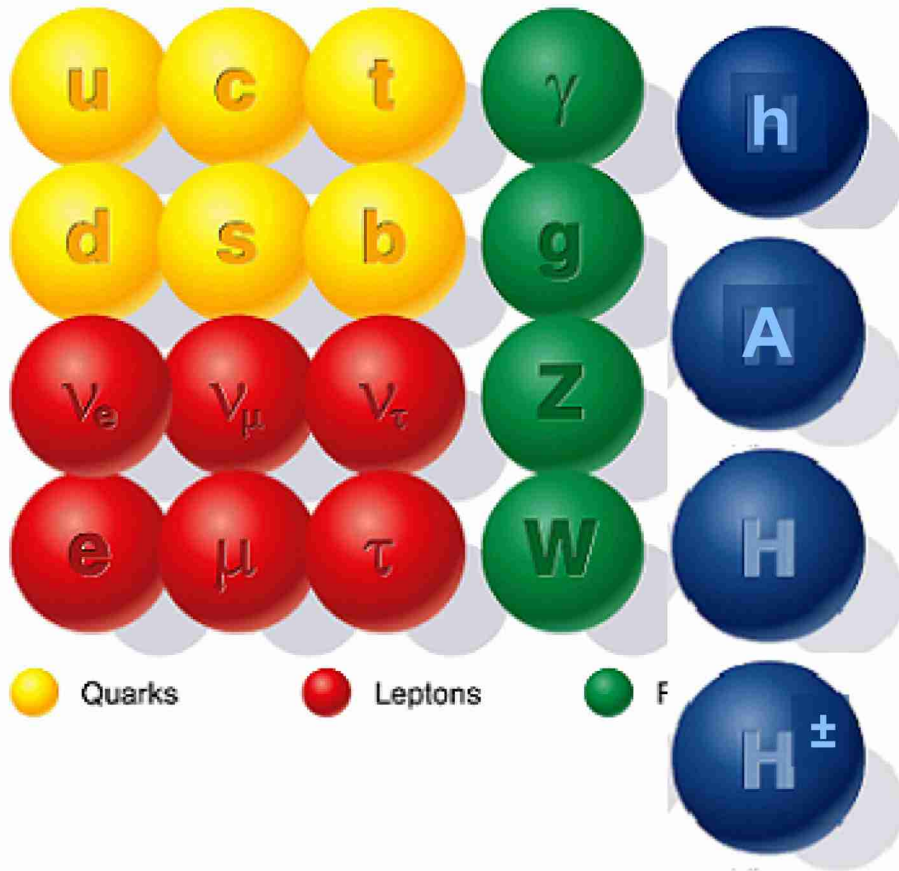
Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model

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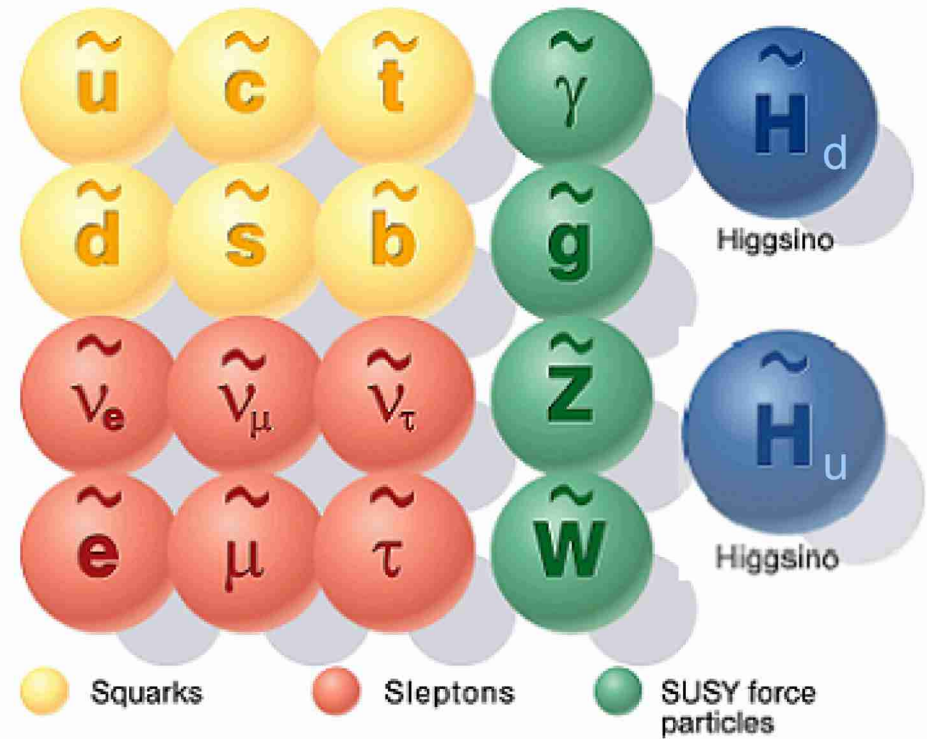
- The Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model (MSSM) is the smallest model in terms of fields that contains all SM particles.
- In addition to the partners of all SM particles it is necessary to introduce two Higgs doublets.
 - Anomaly cancellation.
 - Give mass to both up- and down-type quarks

MSSM

Standard particles



SUSY particles



$$\tilde{\chi}_i^0 = N_{i1} \tilde{B}^0 + N_{i2} \tilde{W}^0 + N_{i3} \tilde{H}_u^0 + N_{i4} \tilde{H}_d^0$$

$$\tilde{\chi}_i^+ = C_{i1} \tilde{W}^+ + C_{i2} \tilde{H}_u^+$$

MSSM

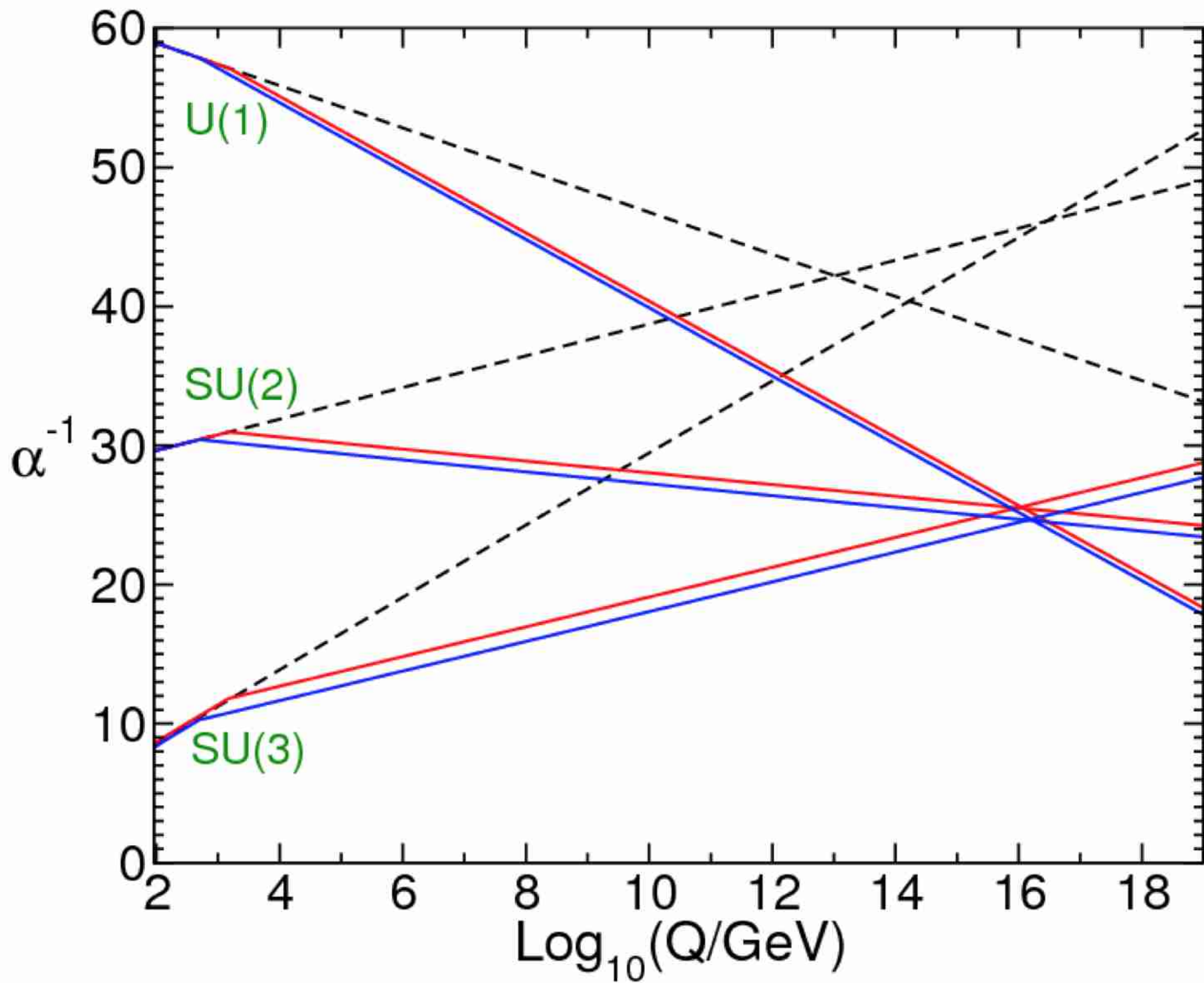
- The extra Higgs doublet adds only one new parameter μ coupling the two Higgs doublets.
- For historical reasons no neutrino mass.
(Or right handed neutrinos.)
- There are 104 new soft breaking parameters!
(In addition to 19 free parameters in the SM)
- Does this ruin predictability?

R-parity

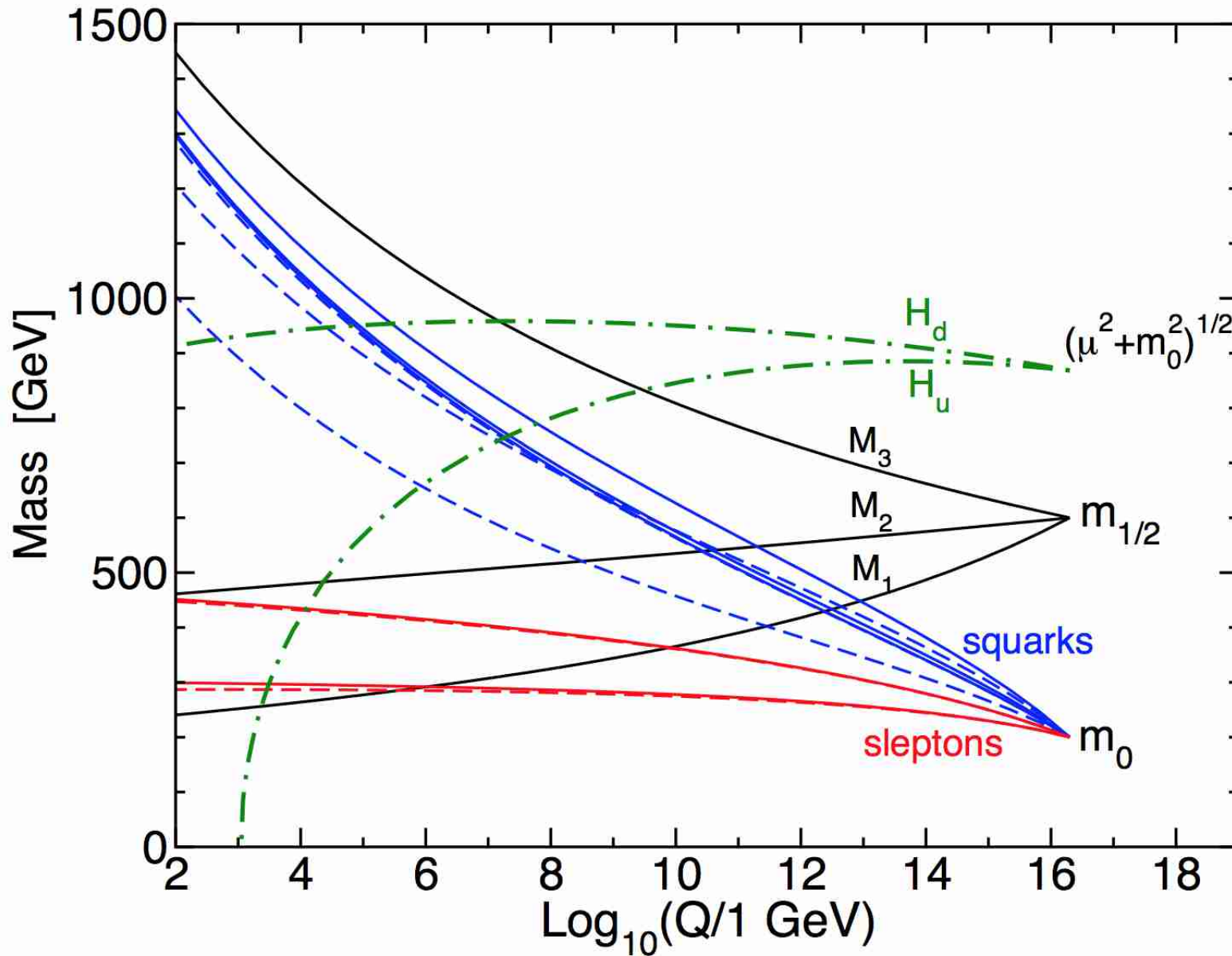
- To remove lepton & baryon number violating interactions we introduce a new multiplicative quantum number R-parity

$$R = (-1)^{3B+L+2s}$$

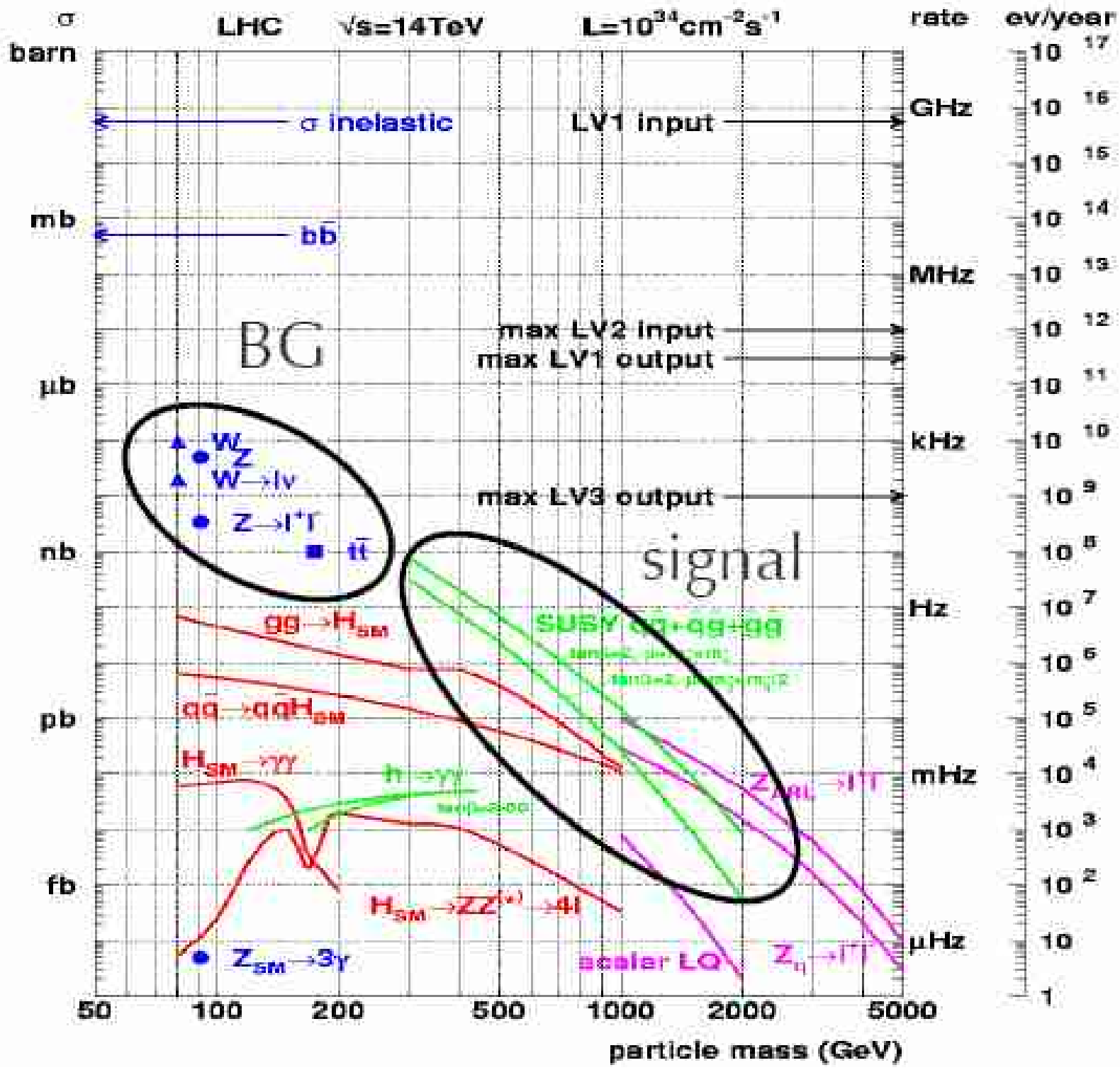
- All interactions have an even number of sparticles.
- Sparticles can only be pair-produced.
- The lightest sparticle (LSP) is absolutely stable. (Usually the lightest neutralino.)

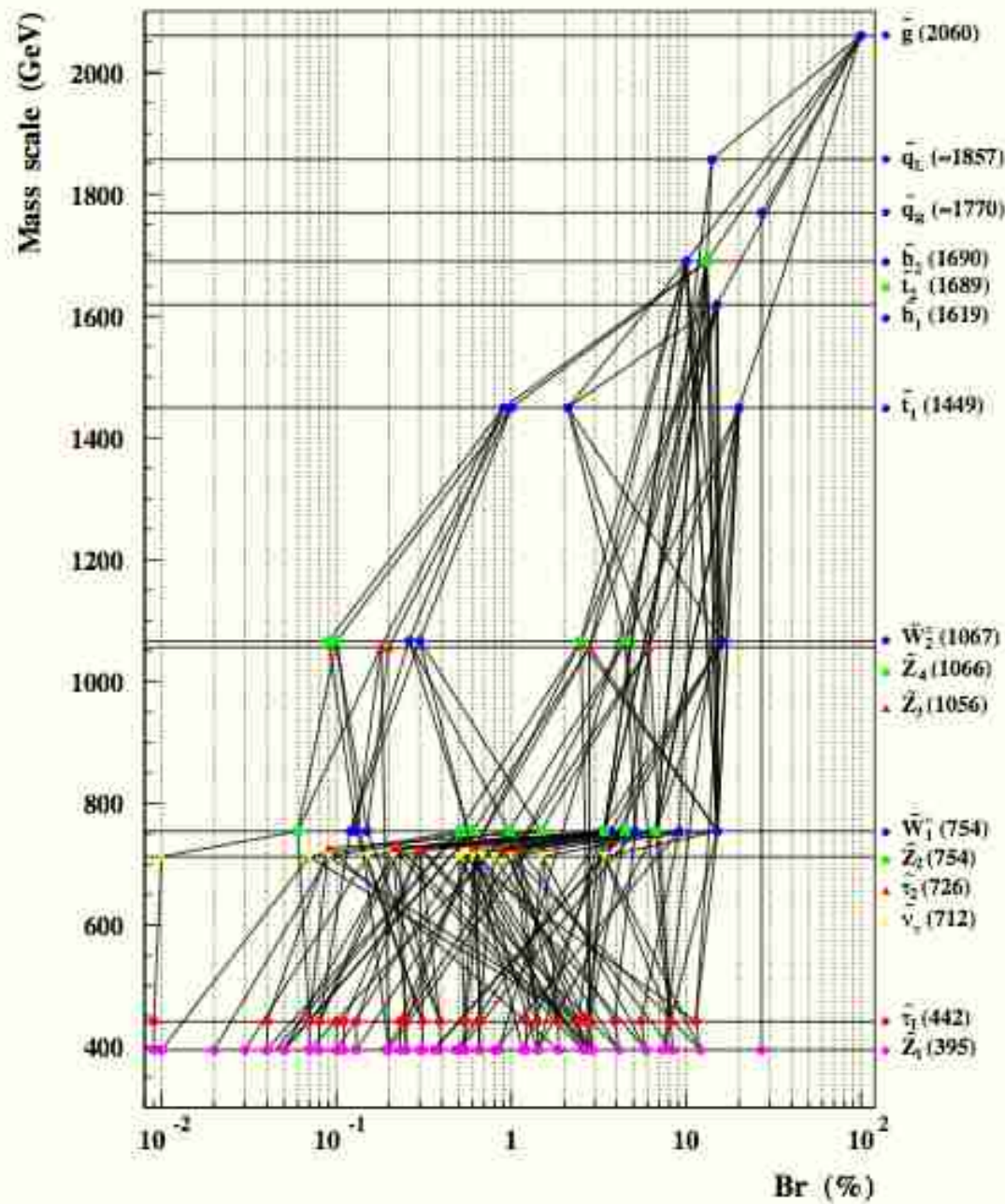


GUT-motivated models



Phenomenology



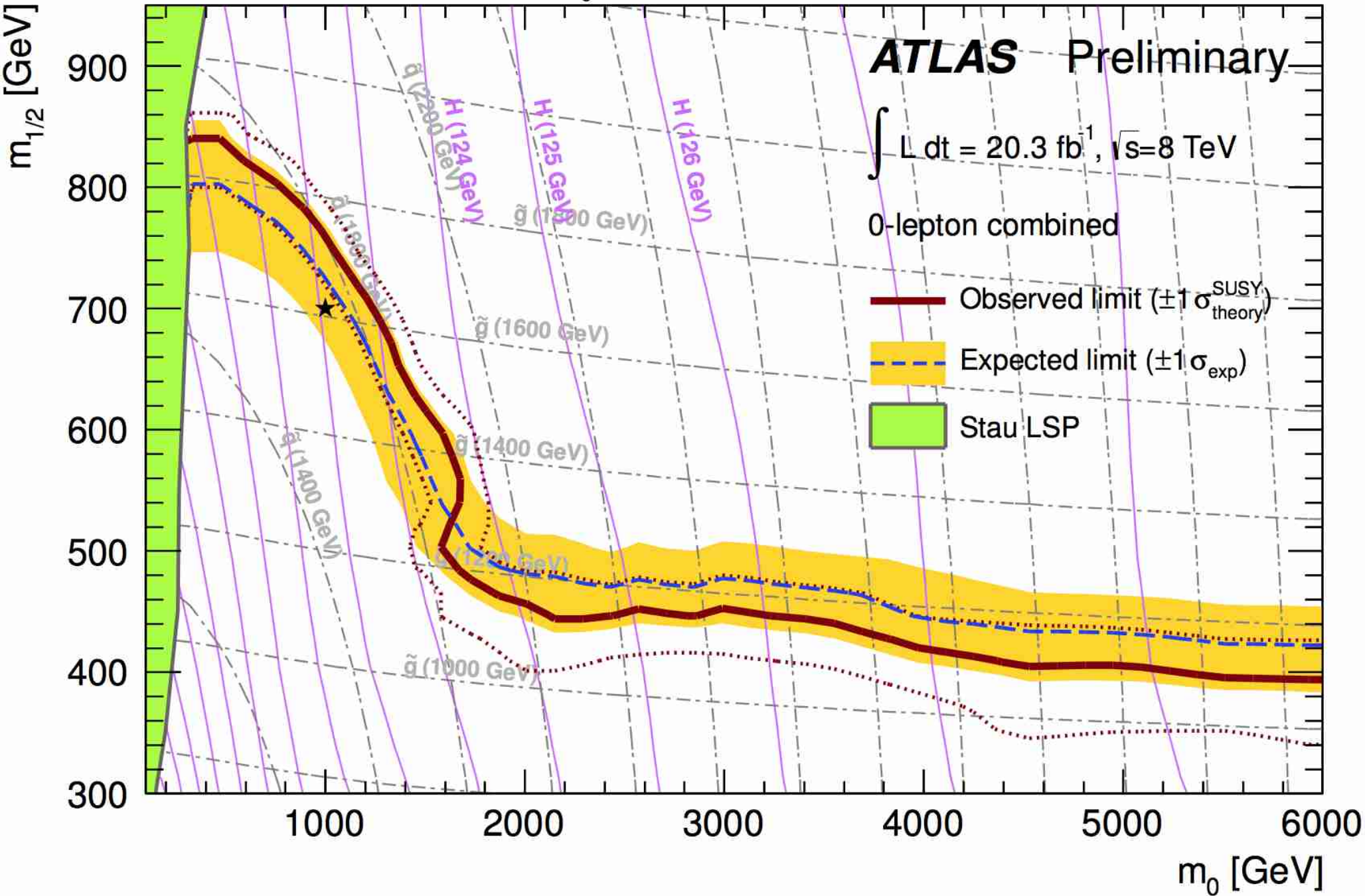


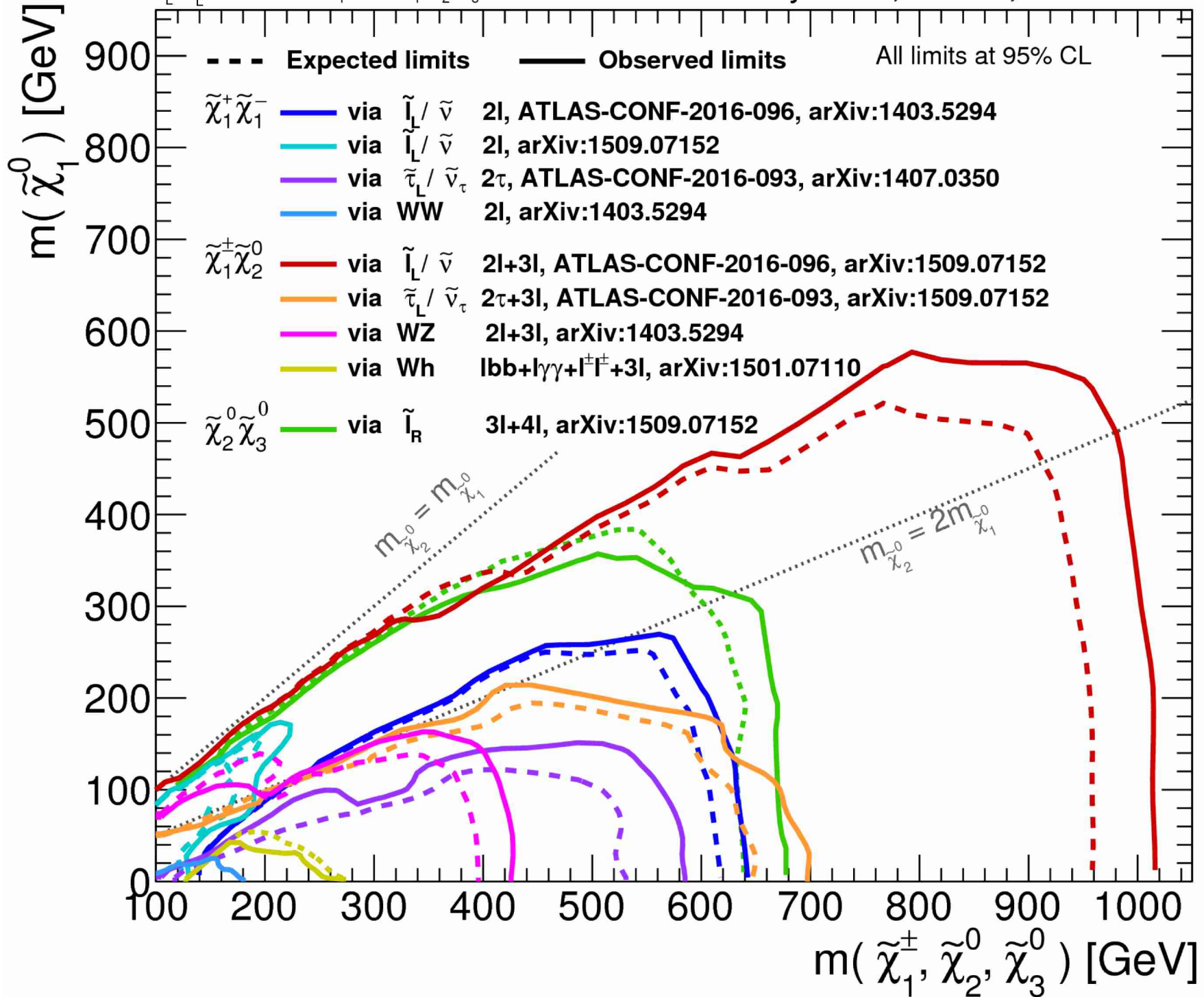
\tilde{Z}_1 qq	(27.0 %)	\tilde{Z}_5 ν WWbb	(4.1 %)
\tilde{Z}_1 ν Wbb	(12.1 %)	\tilde{Z}_3 ν rbh	(2.9 %)
\tilde{Z}_1 τ WWbb	(8.4 %)	\tilde{Z}_3 τ qq	(2.9 %)
\tilde{Z}_1 WWbb	(7.4 %)	\tilde{Z}_3 ν ZWbb	(2.8 %)
\tilde{Z}_1 ν qq	(5.9 %)	\tilde{Z}_3 ν hWbb	(2.6 %)

Realistic detector



MSUGRA/CMSSM: $\tan\beta = 30, A_0 = -2m_0, \mu > 0$





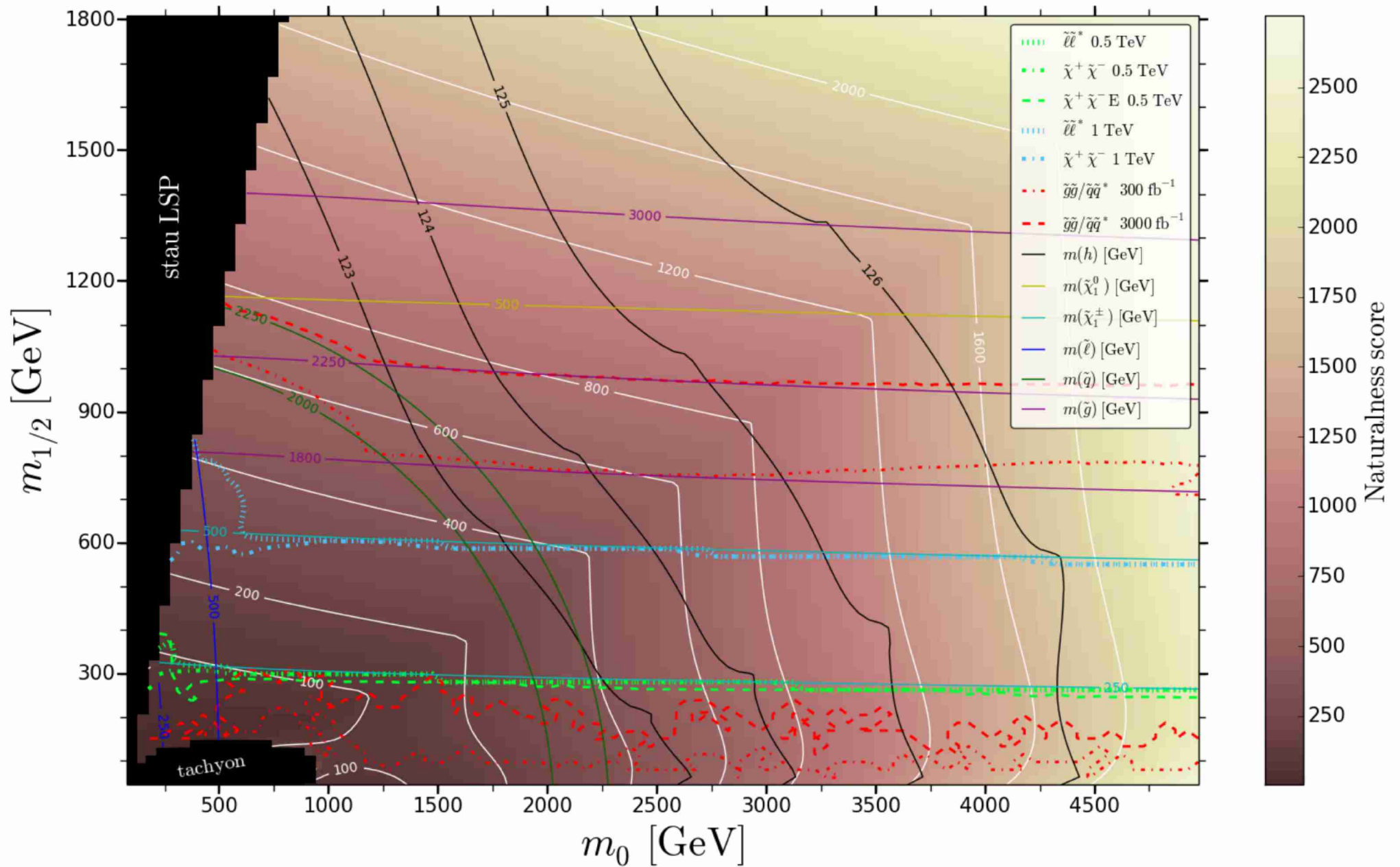
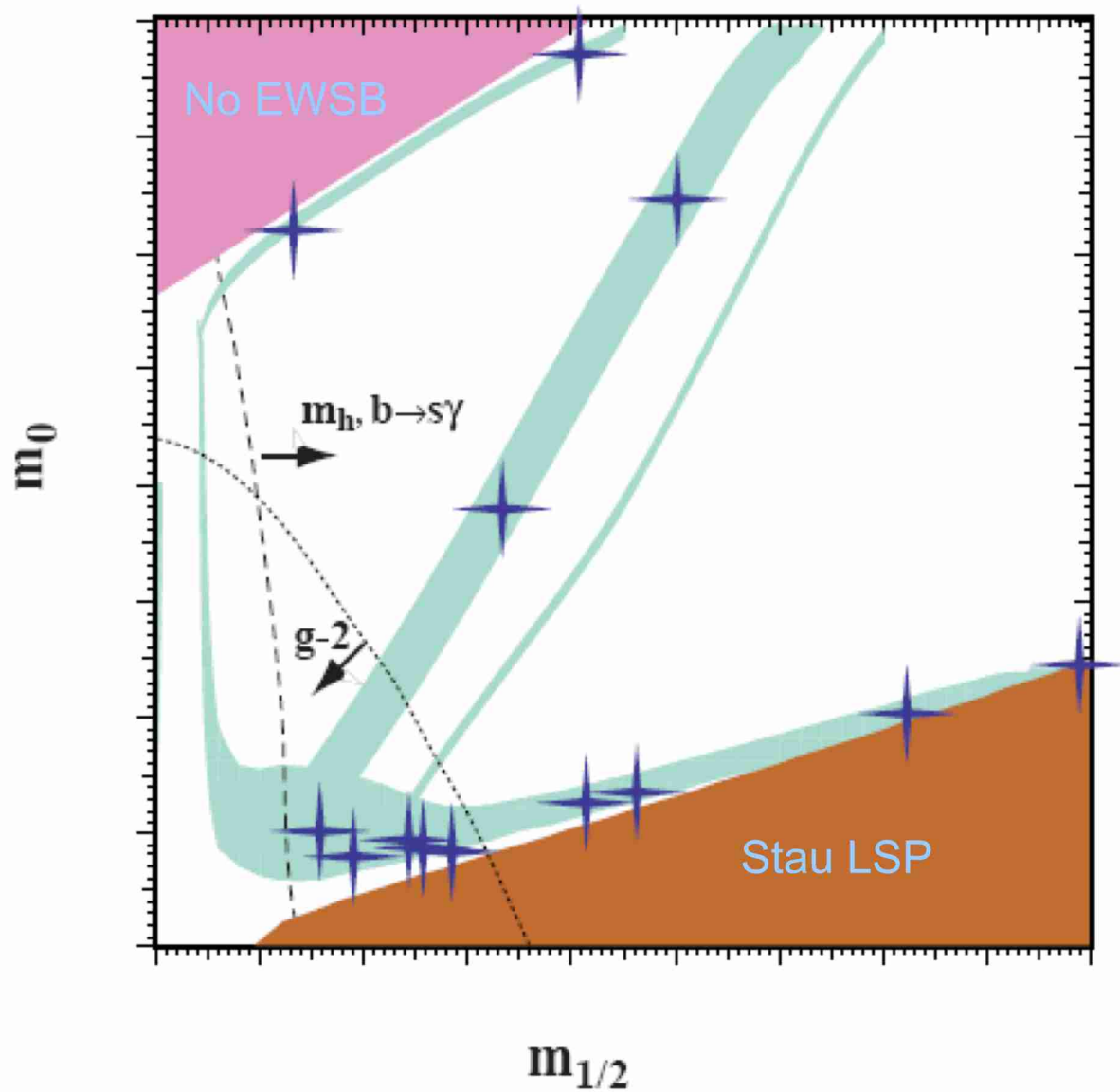


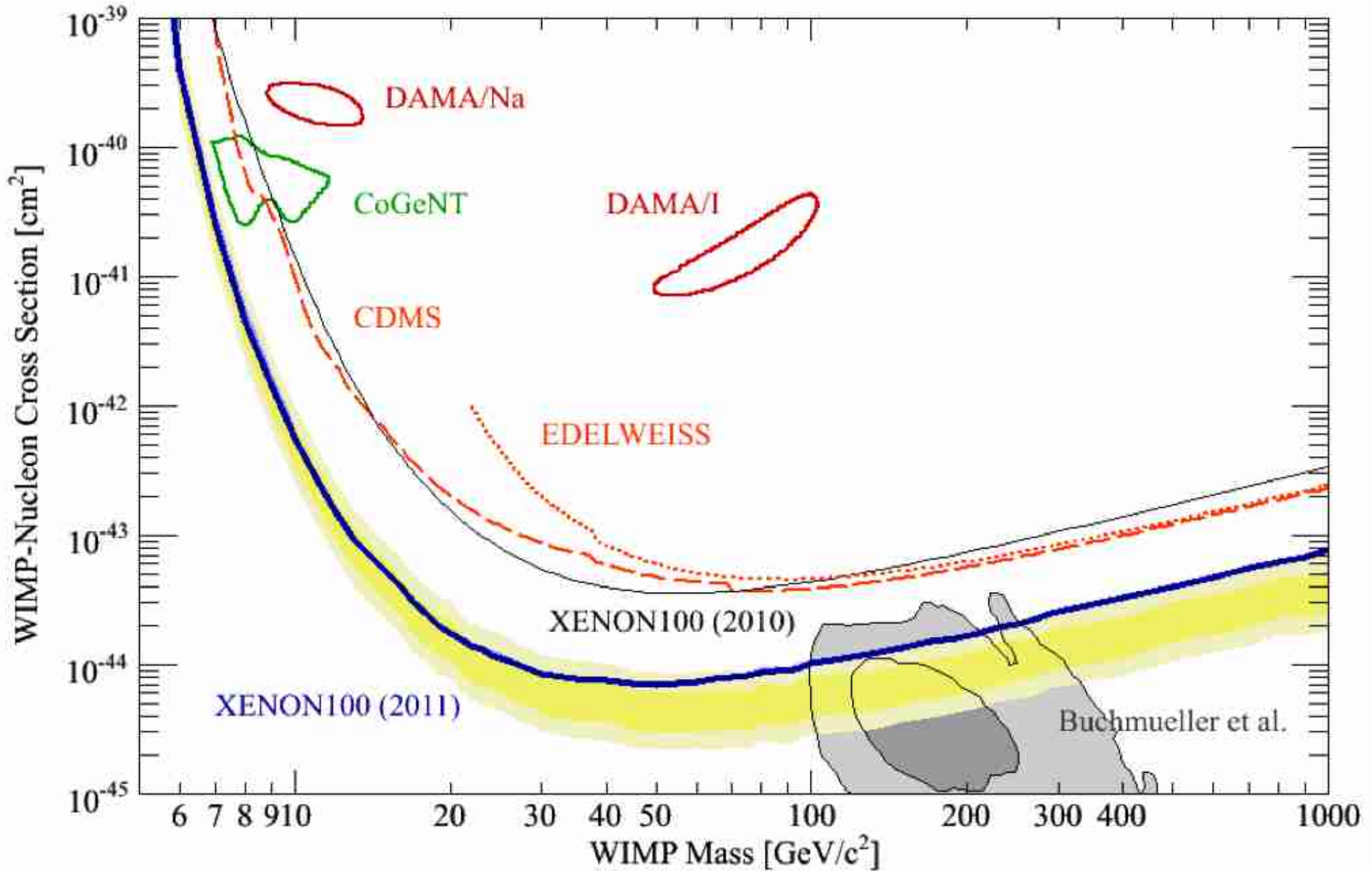
Figure 6.4: The mSUGRA30 scenario with $A_0 = -2m_0$, $\tan\beta = 30$, $\text{sgn}(\mu) = +$. The white lines are contours for the naturalness score.

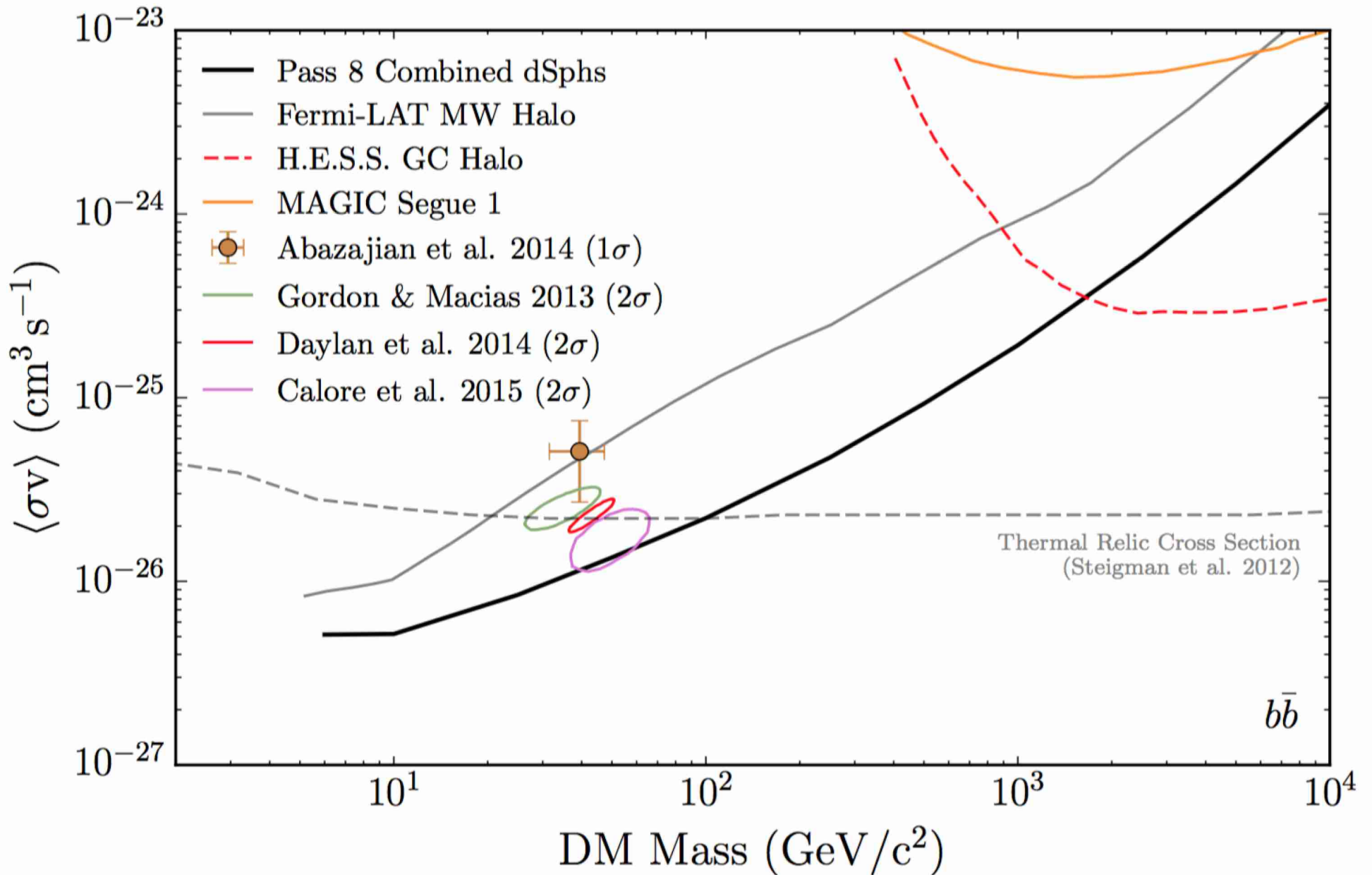
Neutralino Dark Matter

- A neutralino LSP is a good Dark Matter candidate:
 - It is stable (R-parity).
 - It has no charge (electric or strong).
 - It is weakly interacting \Rightarrow WIMP candidate.

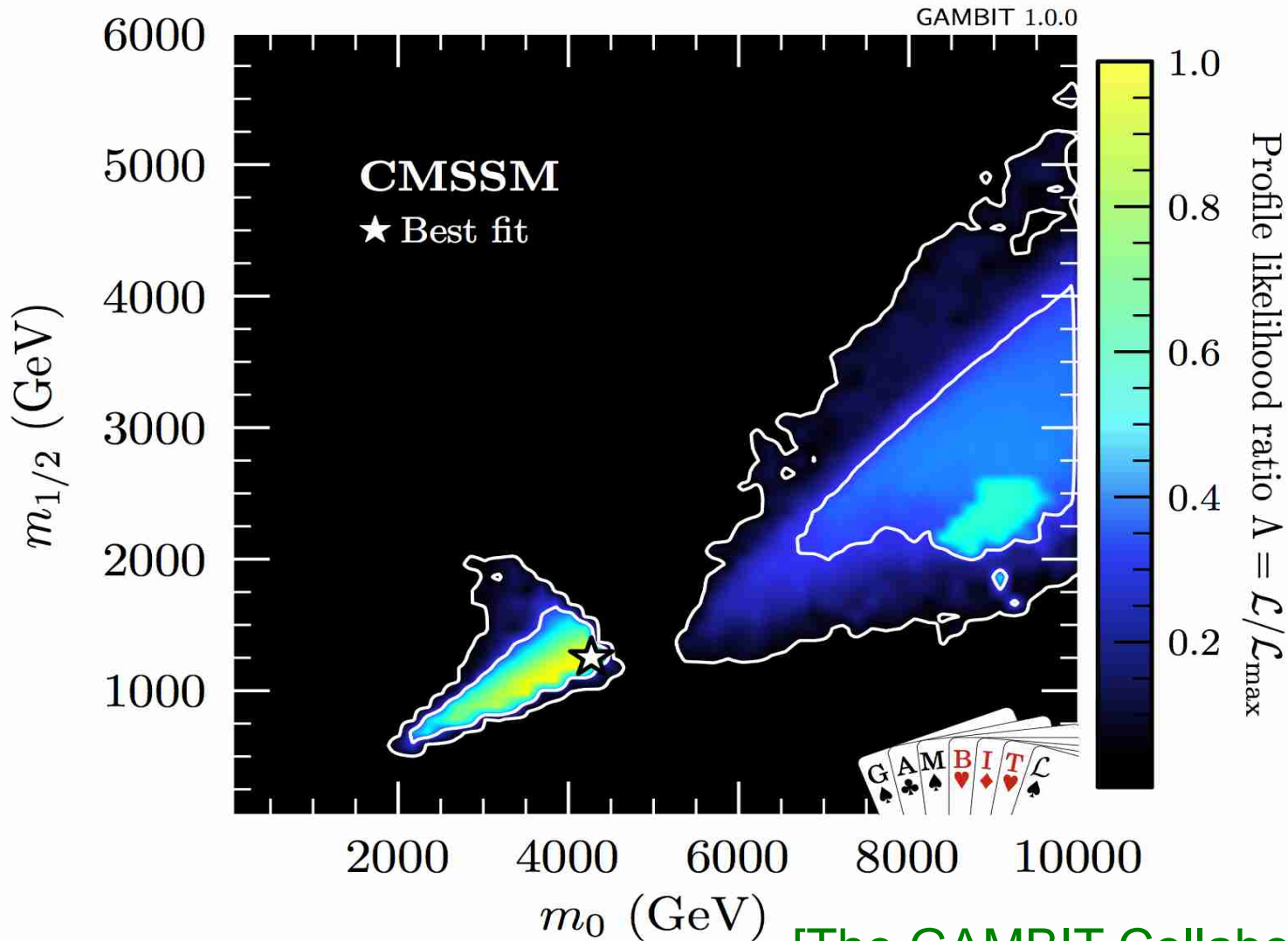


[Battaglia *et al.*, hep-ph/0106204]





Final slide (almost)



[The GAMBIT Collaboration, unpublished]

Final slide (really!)

- Supersymmetry is well motivated:
 - It solves the Higgs hierarchy problem.
 - It has (multiple) good Dark Matter candidates.
 - It can provide GUT-models.
- Searches have turned up nothing:
 - Performed on very simplified models.
 - Mostly assuming R-parity.
 - Collider searches blind to degeneracies.
 - The Higgs mass tells us that SUSY should be heavy.

Bonus material

The full superalgebra

$$\begin{aligned}
 \{Q_a^\alpha, Q_b^\beta\} &= \{\bar{Q}_a^\alpha, \bar{Q}_b^\beta\} = 0 \\
 \{Q_a^\alpha, \bar{Q}_b^\beta\} &= 2\delta^{\alpha\beta}\gamma_{ab}^\mu P_\mu \\
 [Q_a^\alpha, P_\mu] &= [\bar{Q}_a^\alpha, P_\mu] = 0 \\
 [Q_a^\alpha, M^{\mu\nu}] &= \sigma_{ab}^{\mu\nu} Q_b^\alpha \\
 [Q_a^\alpha, B_l] &= iS_l^{\alpha\beta} Q_a^\beta \\
 [B_k, B_l] &= ic_{klm} B_m \\
 \{Q_a^\alpha, Q_b^\beta\} &= \epsilon_{ab} Z^{\alpha\beta} \\
 Z^{\alpha\beta} &= -Z^{\beta\alpha} \\
 [Z^{\alpha\beta}, B_l] &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

[Haag, Lopuszanski and Sohnius, '75]

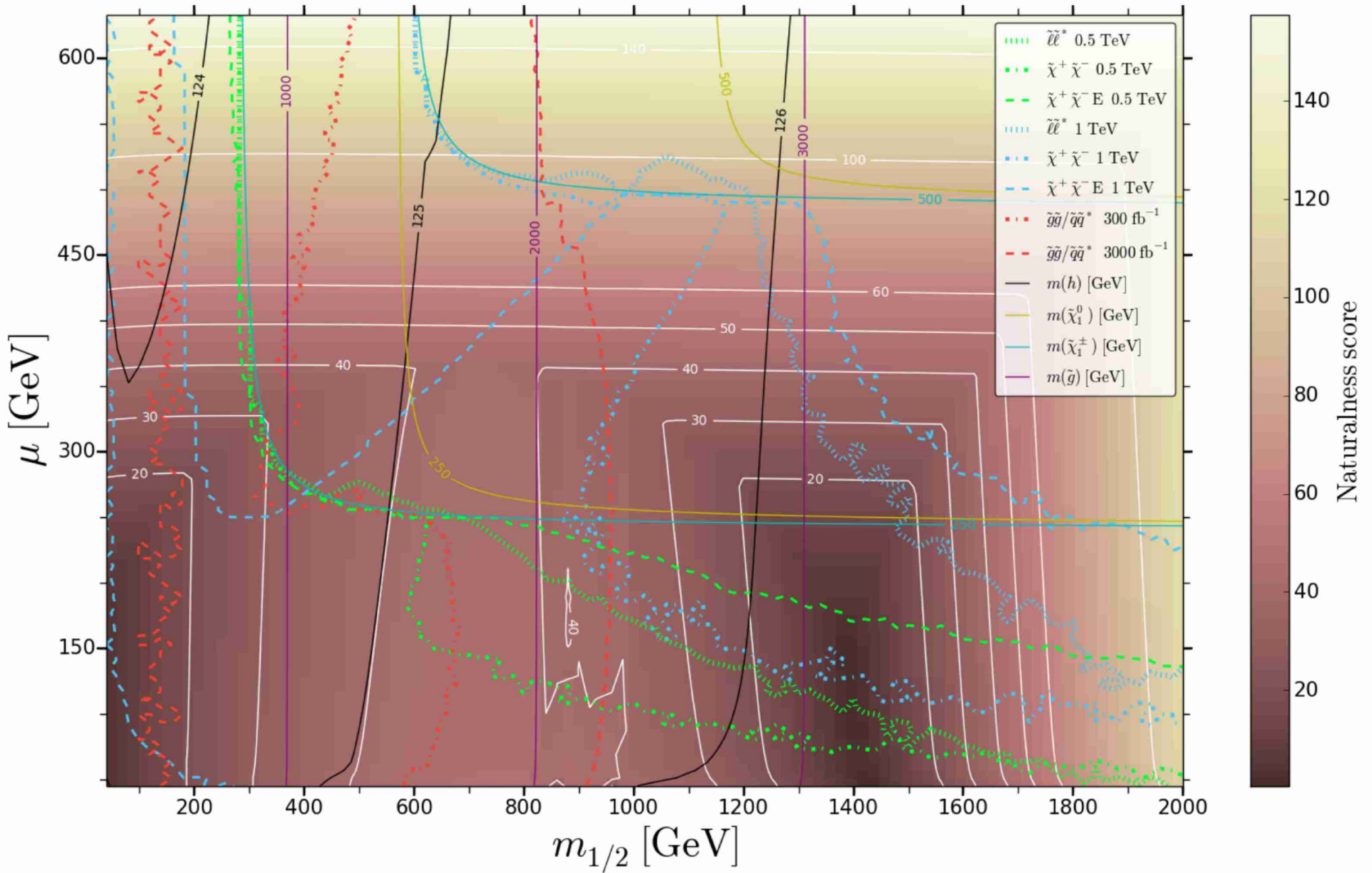
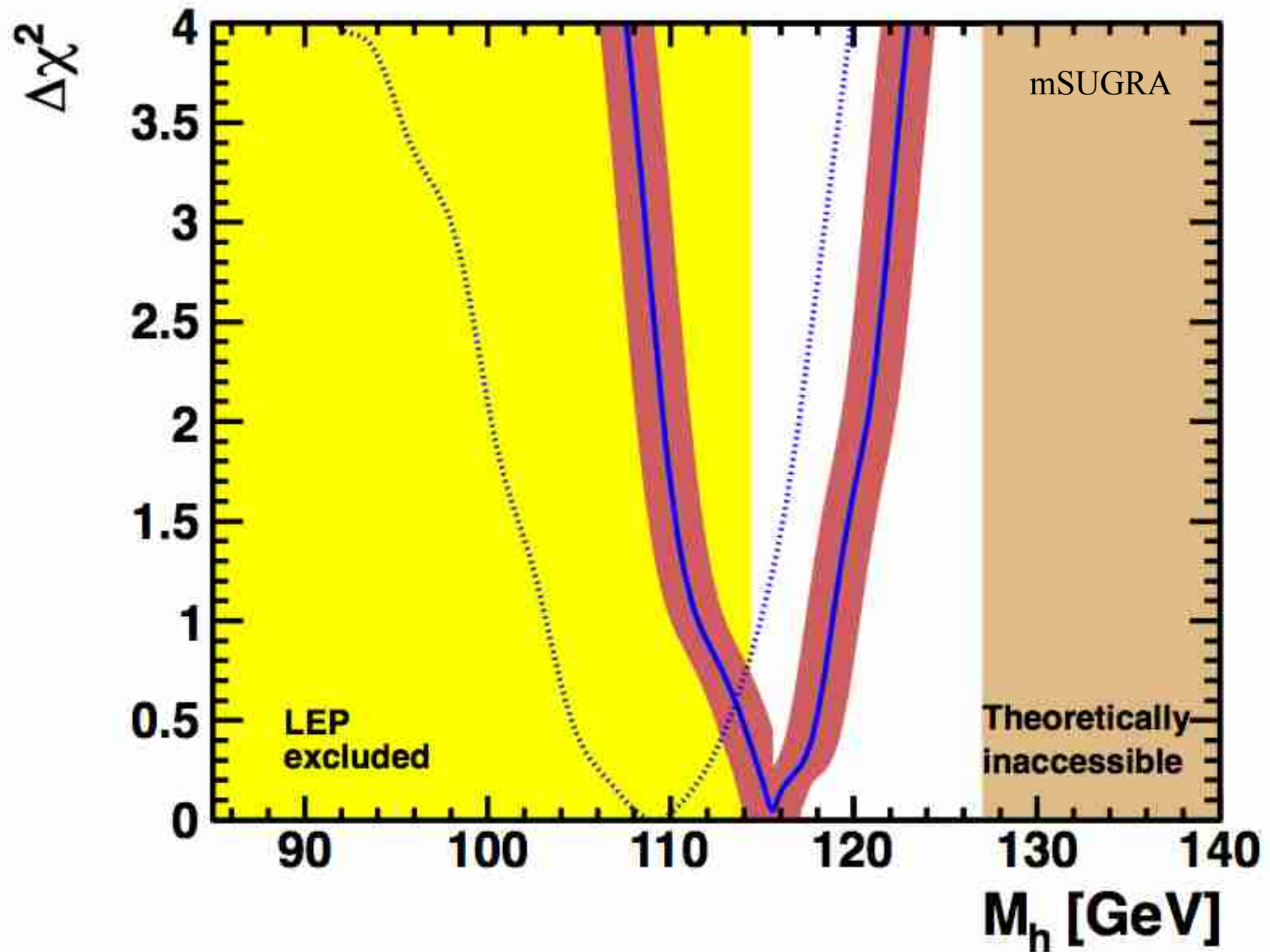


Figure 6.6: The NUHM2 scenario with $m_0 = 4$ TeV, $\tan\beta = 15$, $A_0 = -1.6m_0$, $m_A = 1$ TeV. The white lines are contours for the naturalness score.



$(g-2)_\mu$

$$\begin{aligned}
a_\mu(\tilde{\chi}^-) &= \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \frac{m_\mu}{m_{\tilde{\nu}_\mu}} \sum_{j=1}^2 \left\{ \left(\left| g_L^{\tilde{\chi}_j^- \mu \tilde{\nu}_\mu} \right|^2 + \left| g_R^{\tilde{\chi}_j^- \mu \tilde{\nu}_\mu} \right|^2 \right) \frac{m_\mu}{m_{\tilde{\nu}_\mu}} G_1 \left(\frac{m_{\tilde{\chi}_j^-}^2}{m_{\tilde{\nu}_\mu}^2} \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \operatorname{Re} \left[\left(g_R^{\tilde{\chi}_j^- \mu \tilde{\nu}_\mu} \right)^* g_L^{\tilde{\chi}_j^- \mu \tilde{\nu}_\mu} \right] \frac{m_{\tilde{\chi}_j^-}}{m_{\tilde{\nu}_\mu}} G_3 \left(\frac{m_{\tilde{\chi}_j^-}^2}{m_{\tilde{\nu}_\mu}^2} \right) \right\} \\
a_\mu(\tilde{\chi}^0) &= -\frac{1}{8\pi^2} \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{m_\mu}{m_{\tilde{\mu}_i}} \sum_{j=1}^4 \left\{ \left(\left| g_L^{\tilde{\chi}_j^0 \mu \tilde{\mu}_i} \right|^2 + \left| g_R^{\tilde{\chi}_j^0 \mu \tilde{\mu}_i} \right|^2 \right) \frac{m_\mu}{m_{\tilde{\mu}_i}} G_2 \left(\frac{m_{\tilde{\chi}_j^0}^2}{m_{\tilde{\mu}_i}^2} \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \operatorname{Re} \left[\left(g_R^{\tilde{\chi}_j^0 \mu \tilde{\mu}_i} \right)^* g_L^{\tilde{\chi}_j^0 \mu \tilde{\mu}_i} \right] \frac{m_{\tilde{\chi}_j^0}}{m_{\tilde{\mu}_i}} G_4 \left(\frac{m_{\tilde{\chi}_j^0}^2}{m_{\tilde{\mu}_i}^2} \right) \right\}
\end{aligned}$$