

Signatures for SUSY with light higgsinos: from here to HL- and HE-LHC

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theory still



(natural) SUSY



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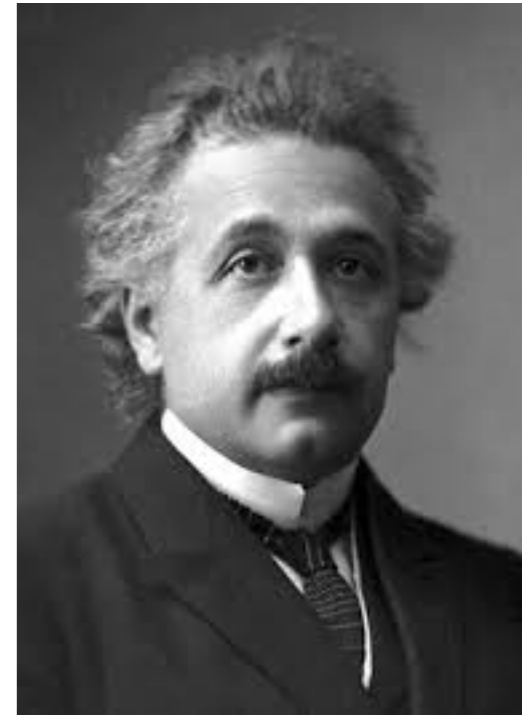
In memory of Frank Paige, author of ISAJET, 1944-2017

twin pillars of guidance:
naturalness & simplicity



“The appearance of fine-tuning in a scientific theory is like a cry of distress from nature, complaining that something needs to be better explained”

S. Weinberg



“Everything should be made as simple as possible, but not simpler”

A. Einstein

SUSY solves the gauge hierarchy problem
and thus can accommodate fundamental scalars such as
the $h(125)$ discovered at CERN in 2012

SUSY virtual effects consistent with

- gauge couplings measurements at LEP
- $m(t) \sim 173$ GeV measurement (Tevatron)
- $m(h) \sim 125$ GeV measurement (LHC)

Lately: is there a Little Hierarchy problem?
Why are $m(W,Z,h) \sim 100$ GeV whilst $m(\text{SUSY}) > 1-2$ TeV?

The Naturalness question

$m(\text{weak}) \sim 100$ GeV meets the SUSY Lagrangian:
minimization of scalar potential to determine Higgs vevs

Simplest, most conservative measure: Δ_{EW}

Working only at the weak scale, minimize scalar potential: calculate $m(Z)$ or $m(h)$

No large uncorrelated cancellations in $m(Z)$ or $m(h)$

$$\frac{m_Z^2}{2} = \frac{m_{H_d}^2 + \Sigma_d^d - (m_{H_u}^2 + \Sigma_u^u) \tan^2 \beta}{\tan^2 \beta - 1} - \mu^2 \sim -m_{H_u}^2 - \Sigma_u^u - \mu^2$$

$$\Delta_{EW} \equiv \max_i |C_i| / (m_Z^2/2) \quad \text{with} \quad C_{H_u} = -m_{H_u}^2 \tan^2 \beta / (\tan^2 \beta - 1) \quad \text{etc.}$$

simple, direct, unambiguous interpretation:

- $|\mu| \sim m_Z \sim 100 - 200 \text{ GeV}$ (Chan, Chatto...,Nath)
- $m_{H_u}^2$ should be driven to small negative values such that $-m_{H_u}^2 \sim 100 - 200 \text{ GeV}$ at the weak scale and
- that the radiative corrections are not too large: $\Sigma_u^u \lesssim 100 - 200 \text{ GeV}$

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Radiative natural SUSY with a 125 GeV Higgs boson

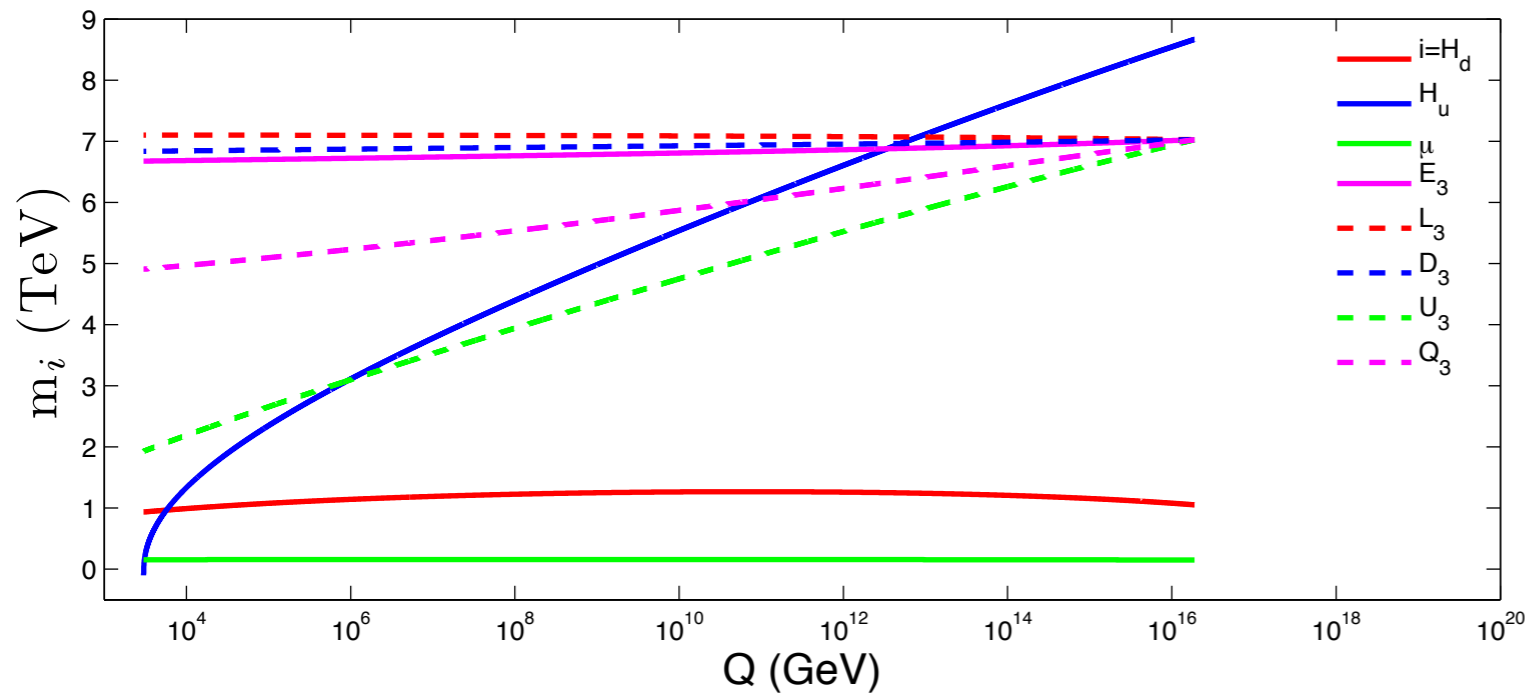
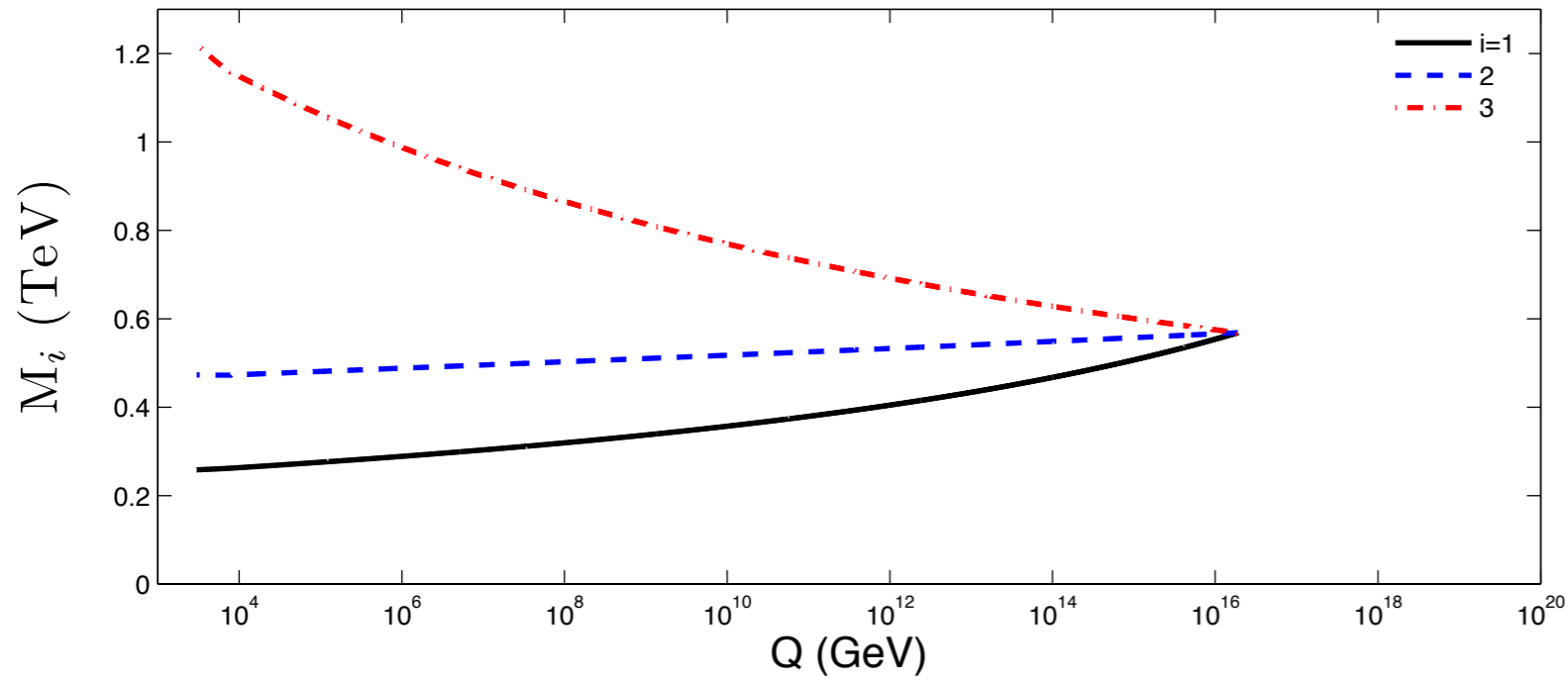
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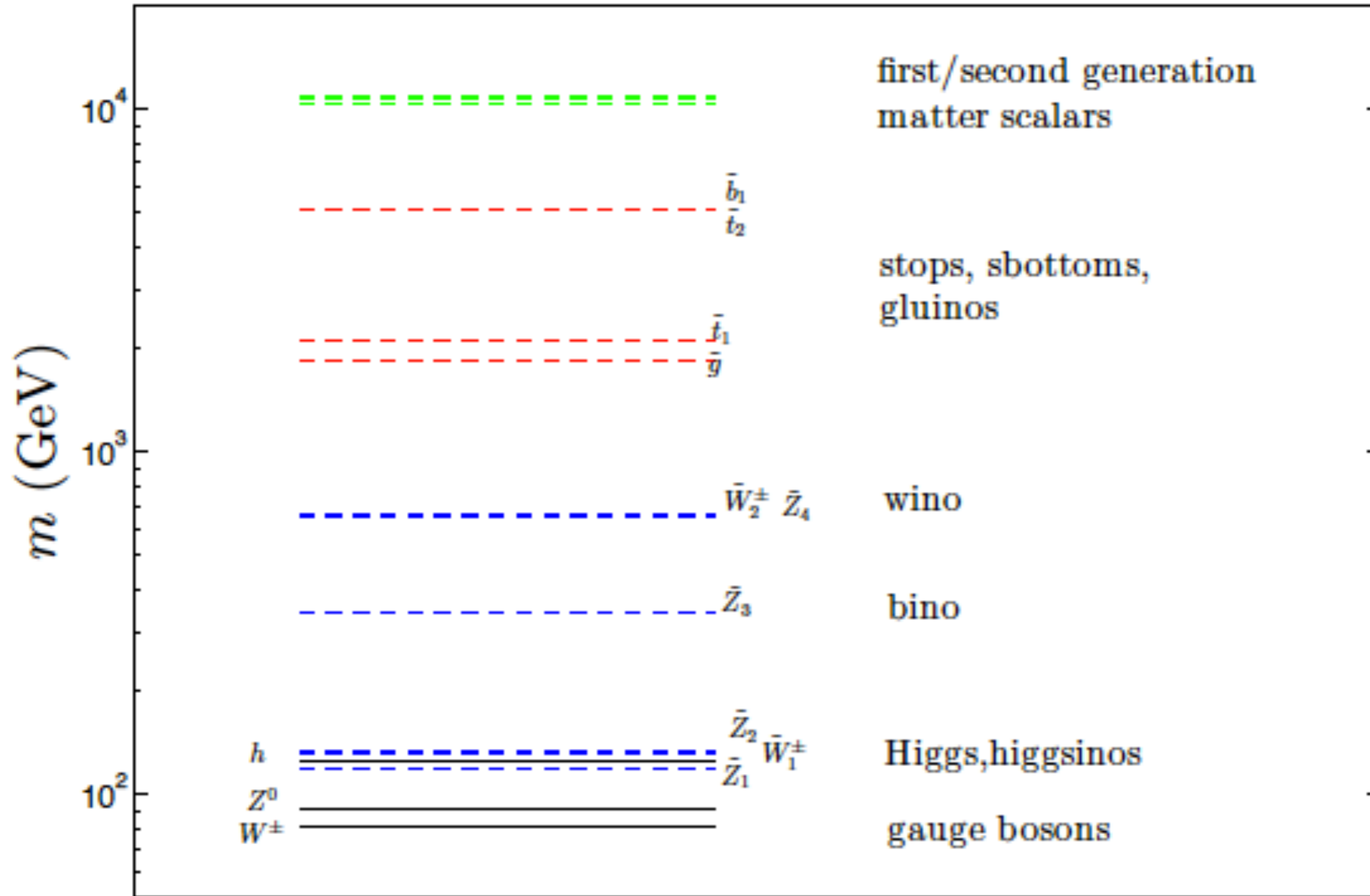
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RNS: Radiative corrections
drive $m(H_u)^2$ to
natural value $\sim m(Z)$ at weak scale

μ hardly evolves

Typical spectrum for low Δ_{EW} models

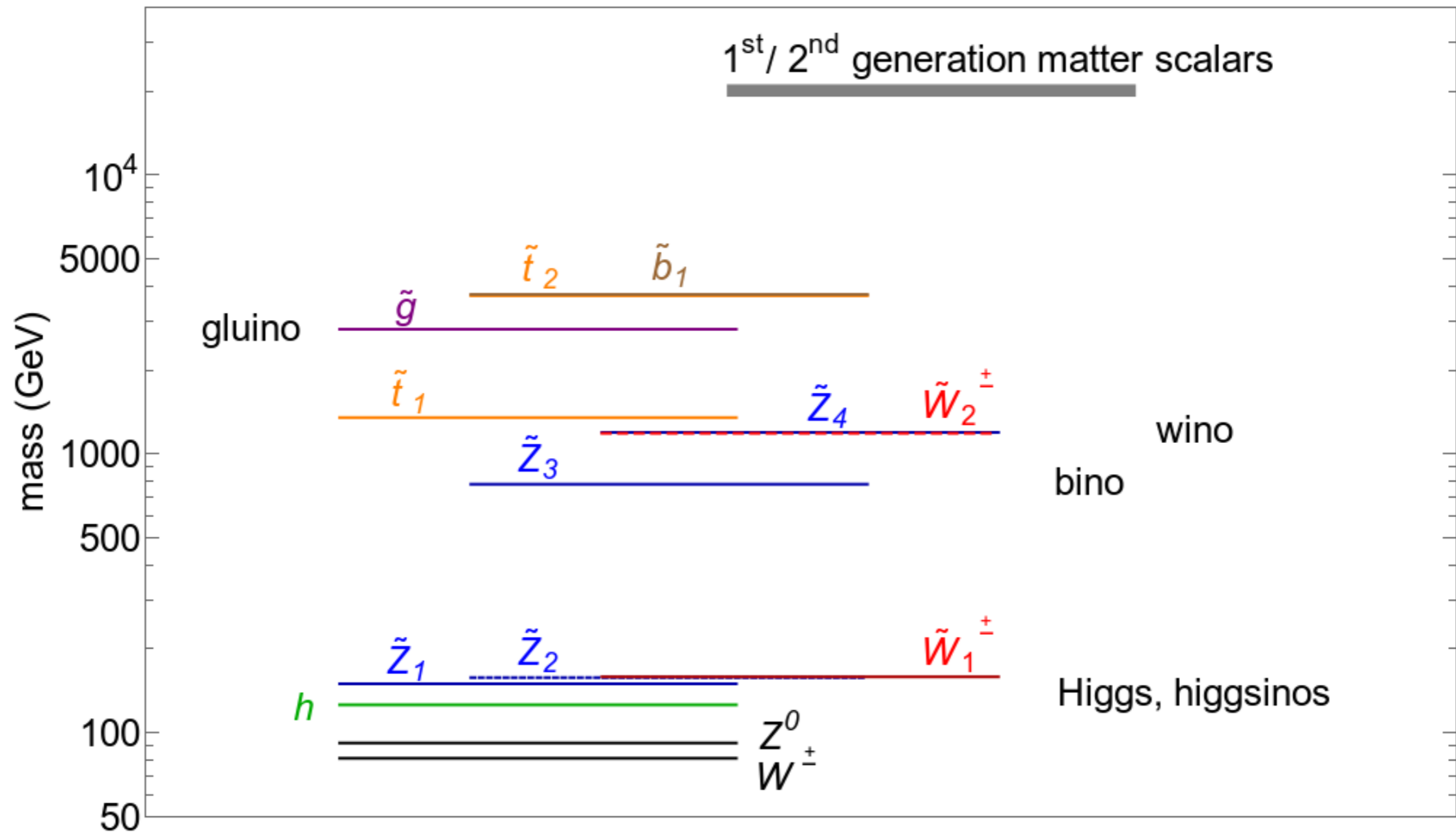


There is a Little Hierarchy, but it is **no problem**

$$\mu \ll m_{3/2}$$

$m(\text{higgsinos}) \sim 100\text{--}200$ GeV; $m(\text{gluino}) < 5$ TeV; $m(\bar{t}_1) < 3$ TeV; $m(\text{wino}) \sim M_{3/2}/3.5$ (ino-unification)

mass spectrum for mini2 benchmark point



For string motivated mirage mediation scenarios,
then $m(\text{bino}) \sim m(\text{wino}) \sim M_3$ with mirage ino-unification

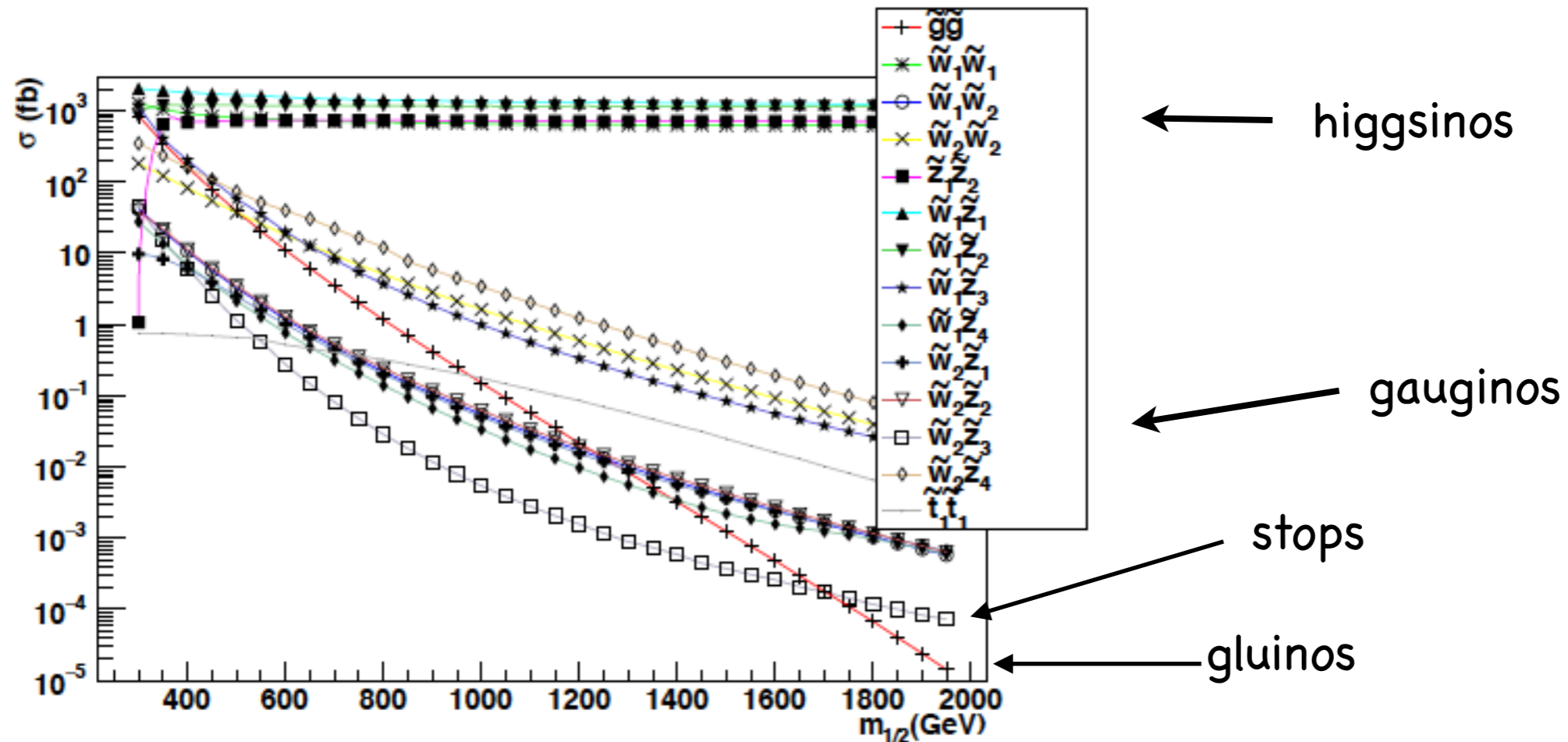
masses depend on location of fields within compact dimensions

Prospects for SUSY at LHC:

new signature list:

- $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$
- $\tilde{t}_1\tilde{t}_1^*$
- $\tilde{Z}_1\tilde{Z}_2$ (higgsino pair production)
- $\tilde{W}_2^\pm\tilde{Z}_4$ (wino pair production)

Sparticle prod'n along RNS model-line at LHC14:



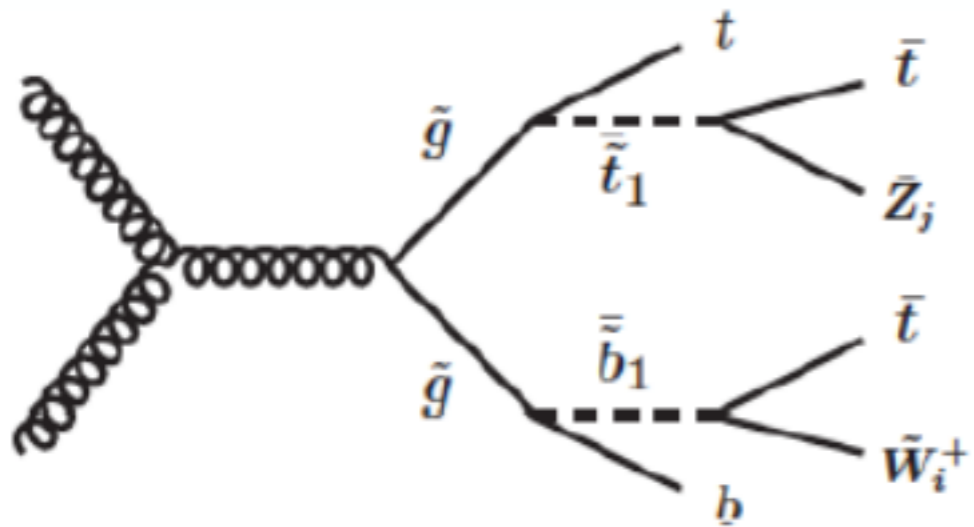
higgsino pair production dominant-but only soft visible energy release from higgsino decays

largest visible cross section: wino pairs

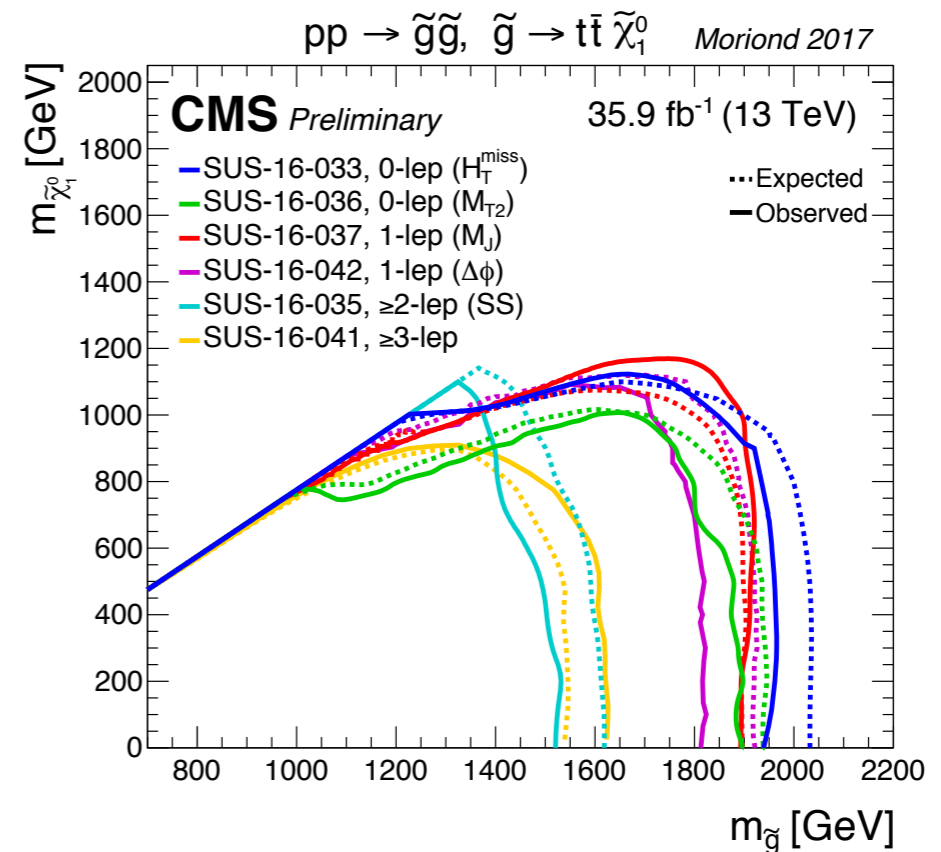
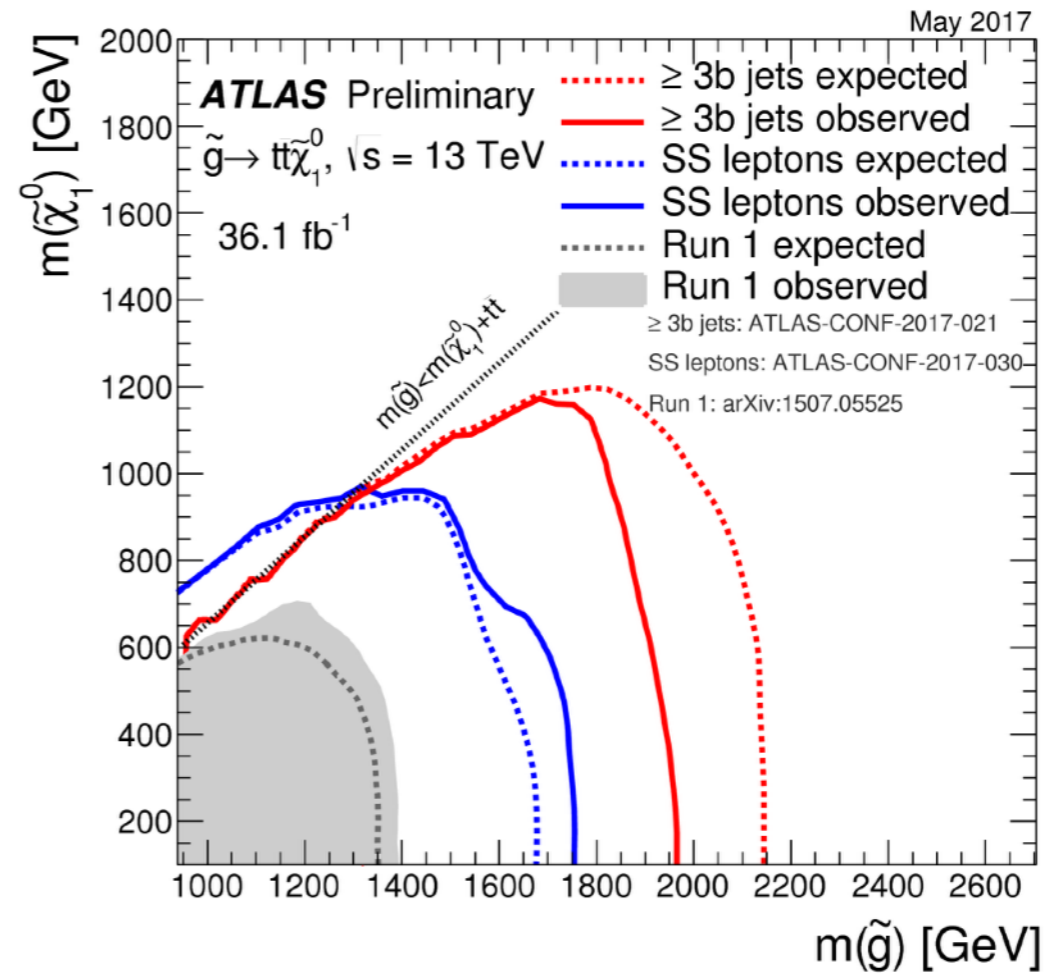
gluino pairs sharply dropping

stops at bottom

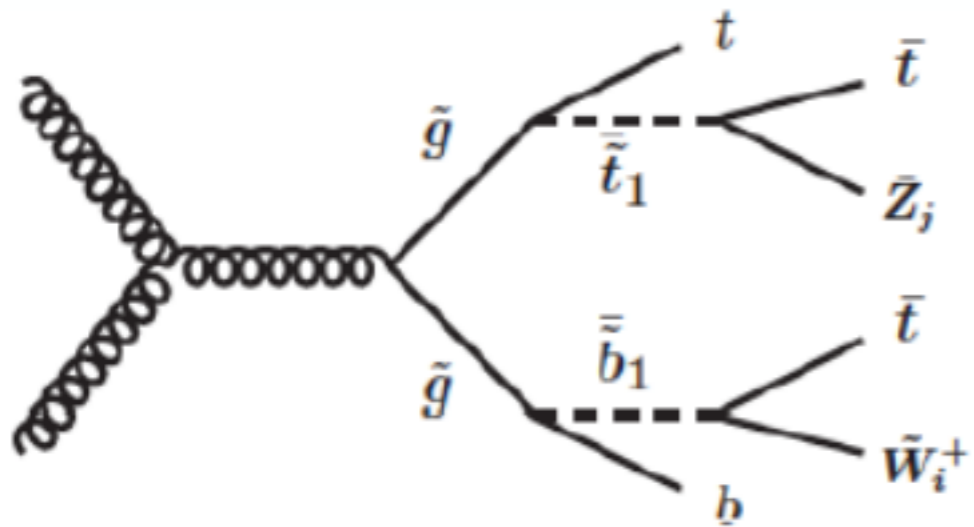
gluino pair cascade decay signatures



Current limits for $m(Z_1) \sim 150$ GeV:
 $m(\text{gluino}) > \sim 2$ TeV

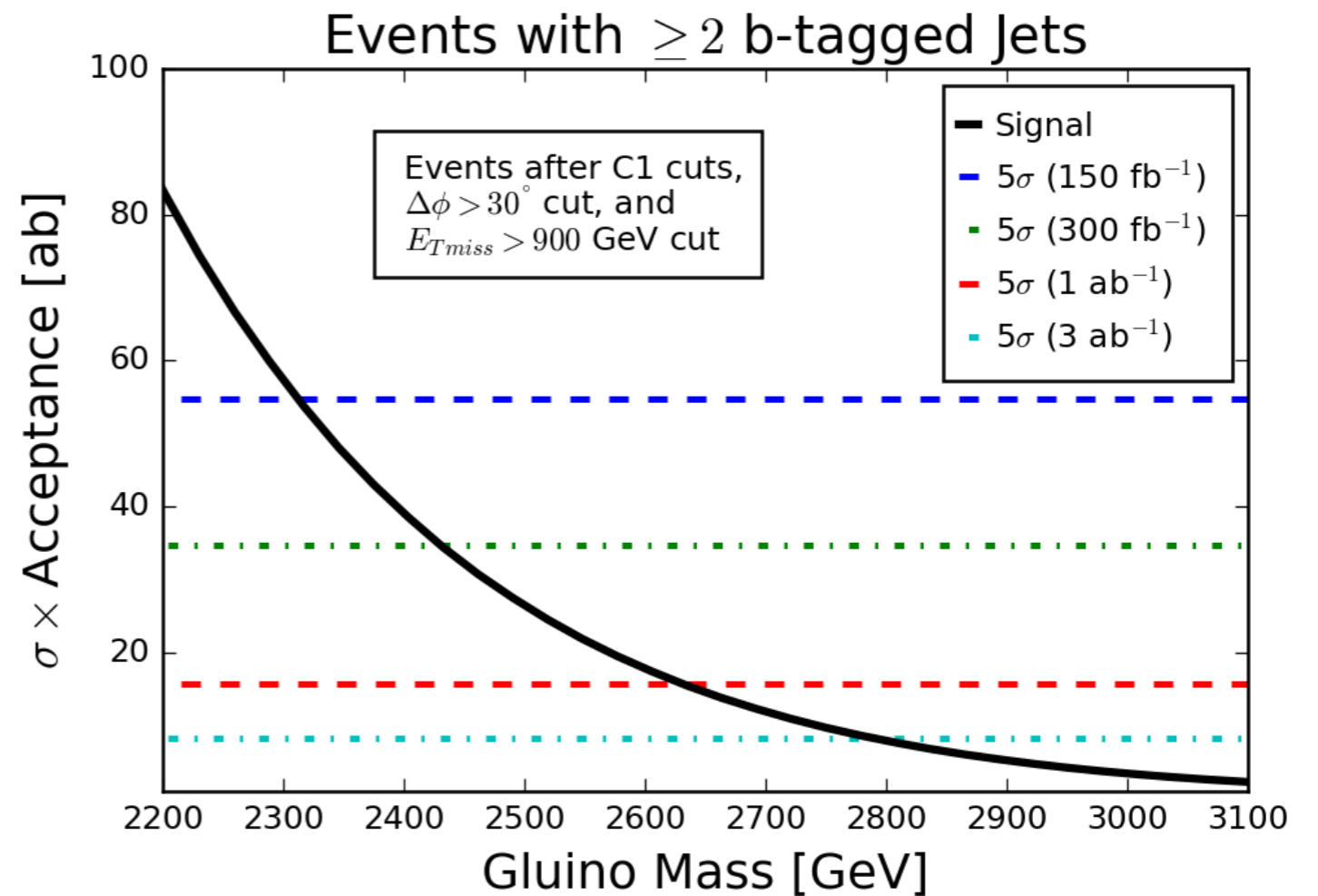


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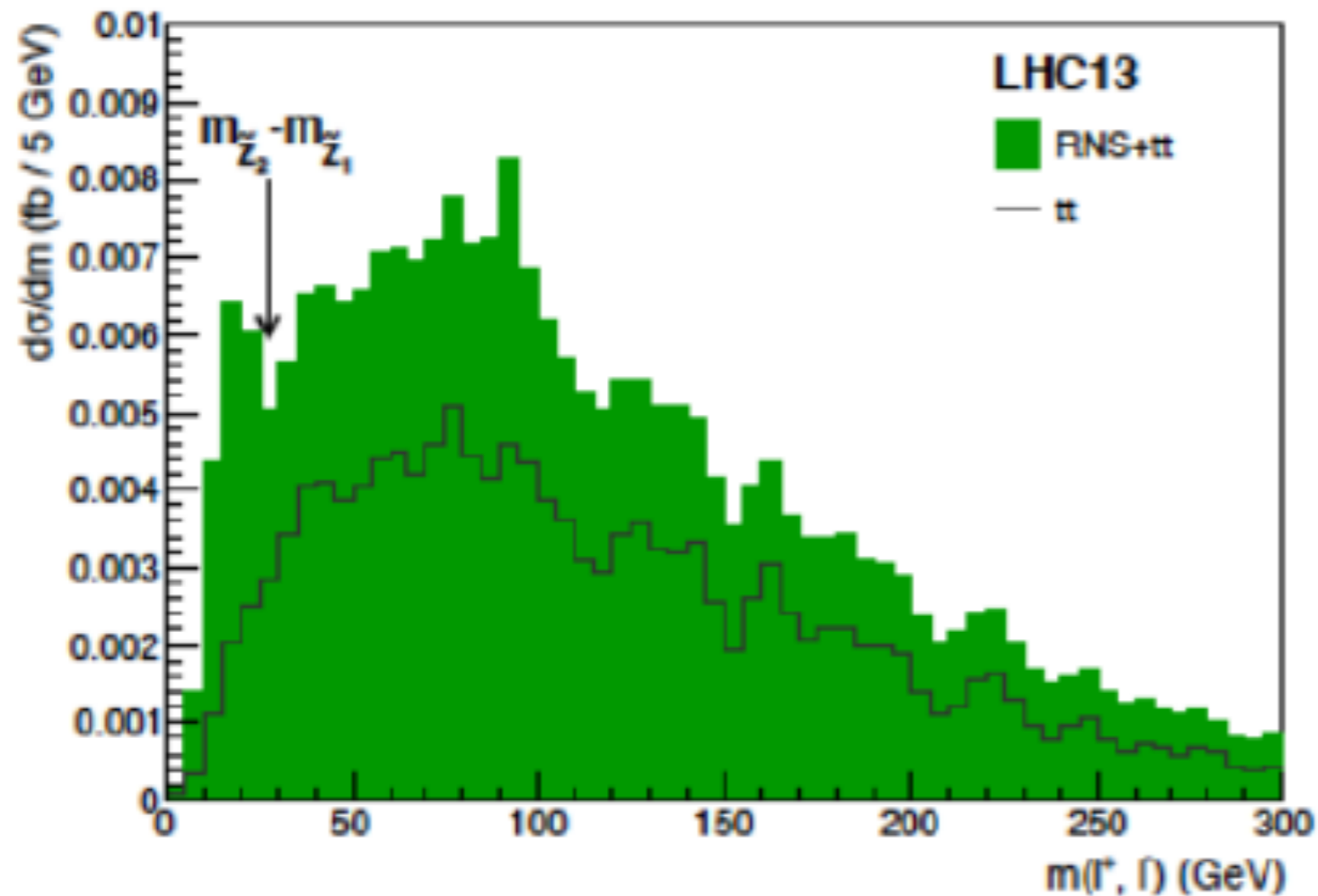


Estimated HL-LHC reach for gluinos

HL-LHC reach to
 $m(\text{gluino}) \sim 2.8 \text{ TeV}$;
 RNS: $m(\text{gluino}) < \sim 5 \text{ TeV}$

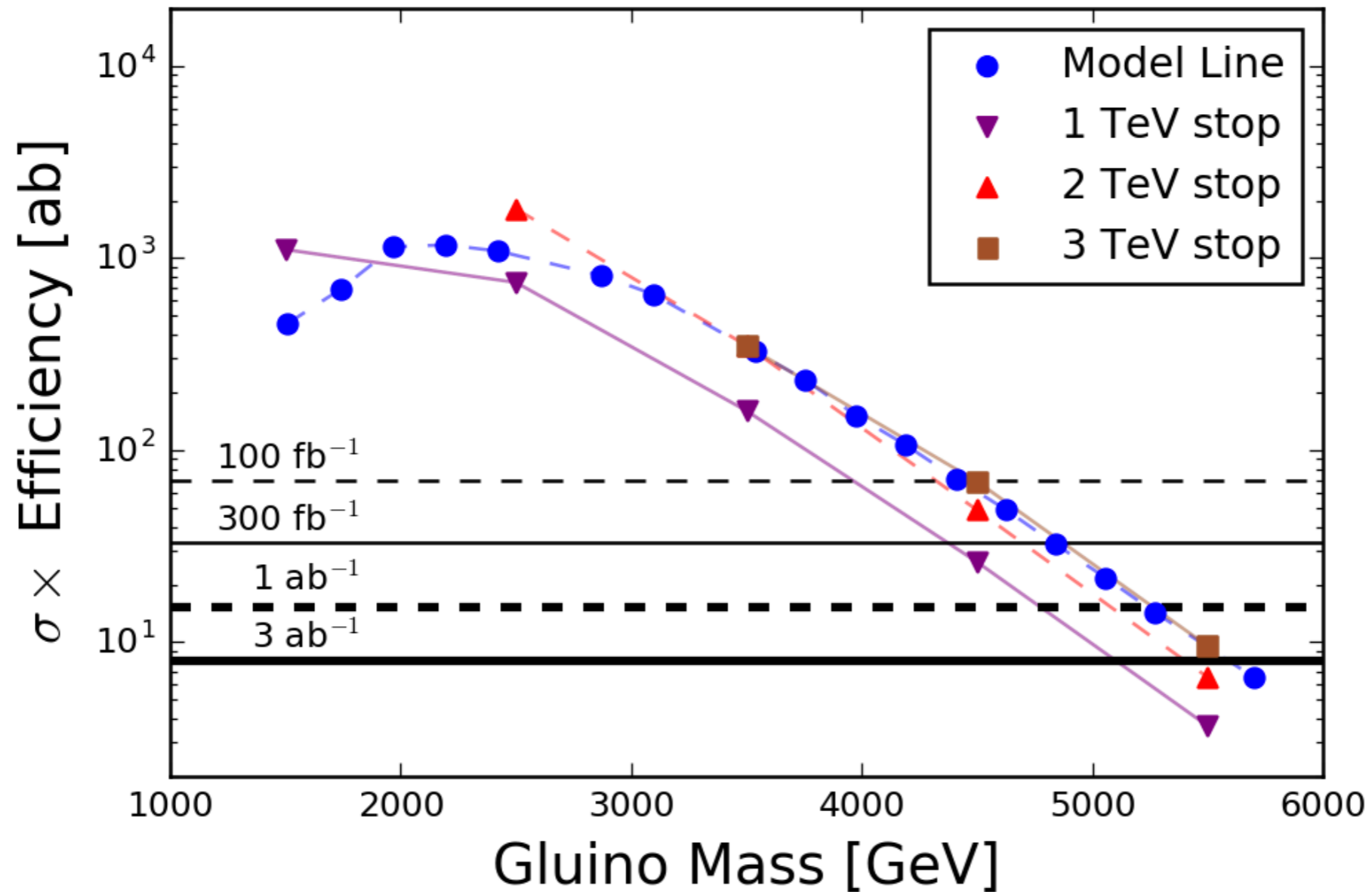


LHC14 has some reach for
gluino pair production in RNS;
if a signal is seen,
should be distinctive



OS/SF dilepton mass
edge apparent from
cascade decays
with $z_2 \rightarrow z_1 + l + l^{\text{bar}}$

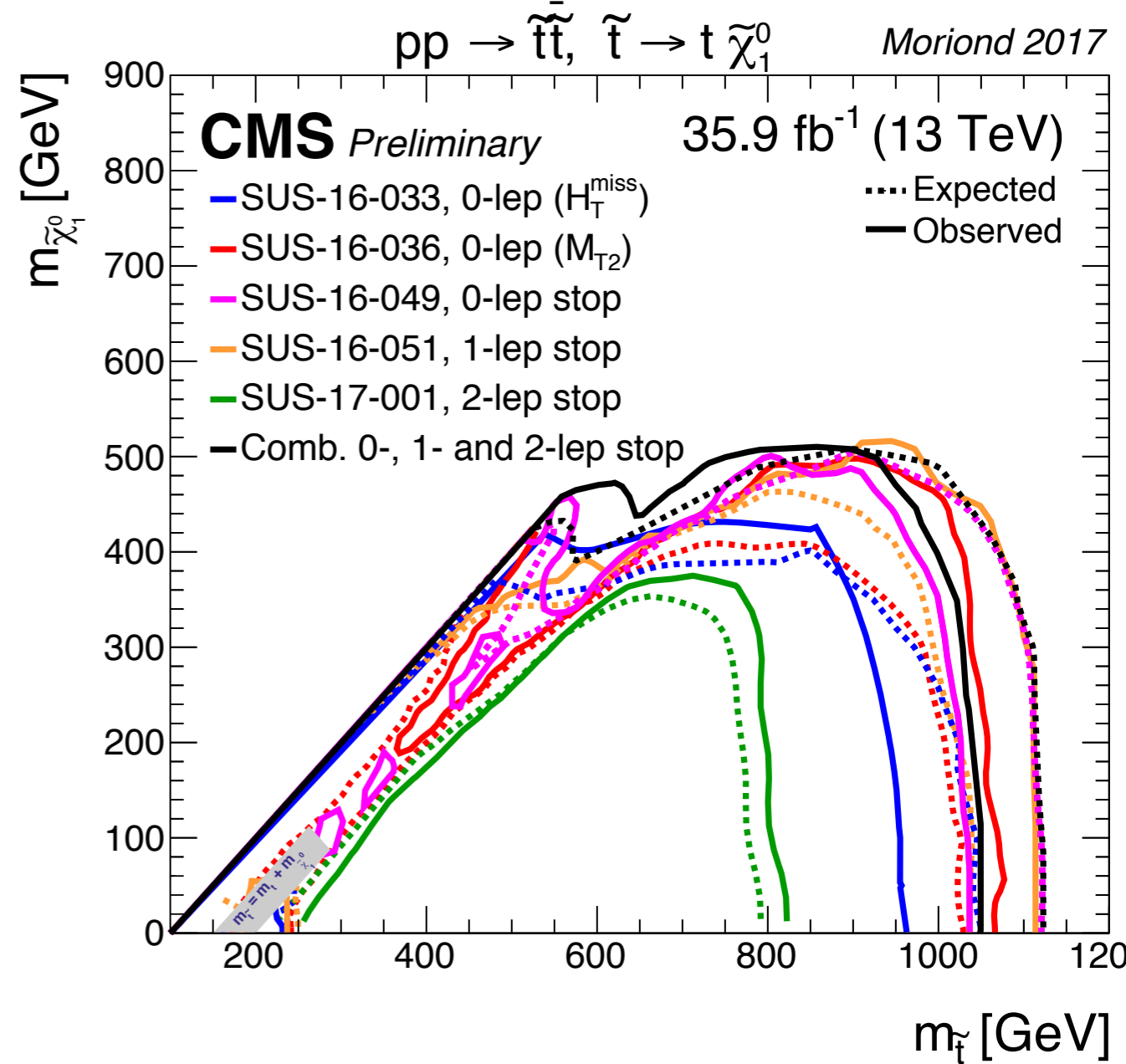
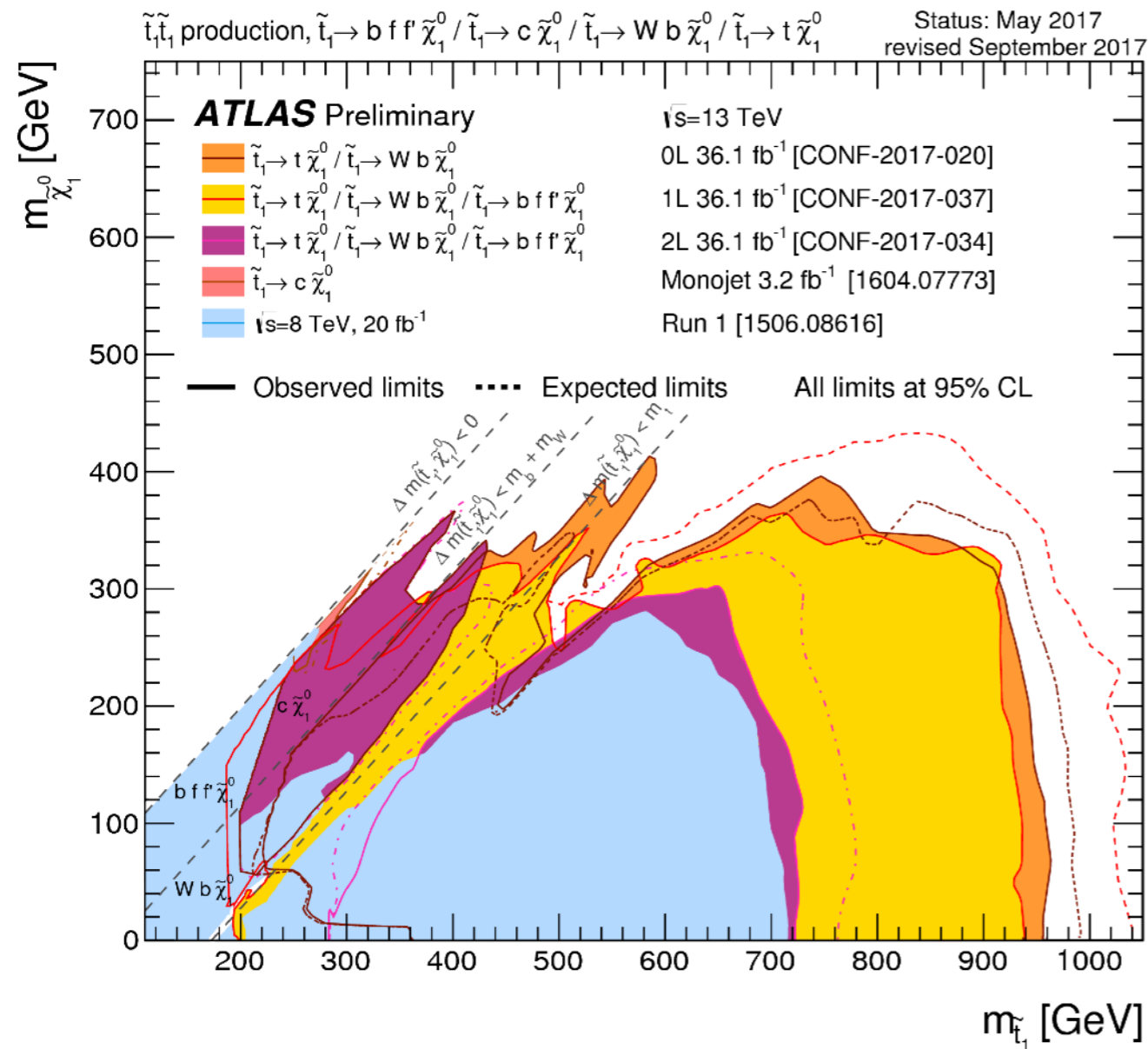
Glino reach at LHC33: to about $m(\text{glino}) \sim 5 \text{ TeV}$



≥ 4 jets; ≥ 2 -b-jets; MET > 1500 GeV

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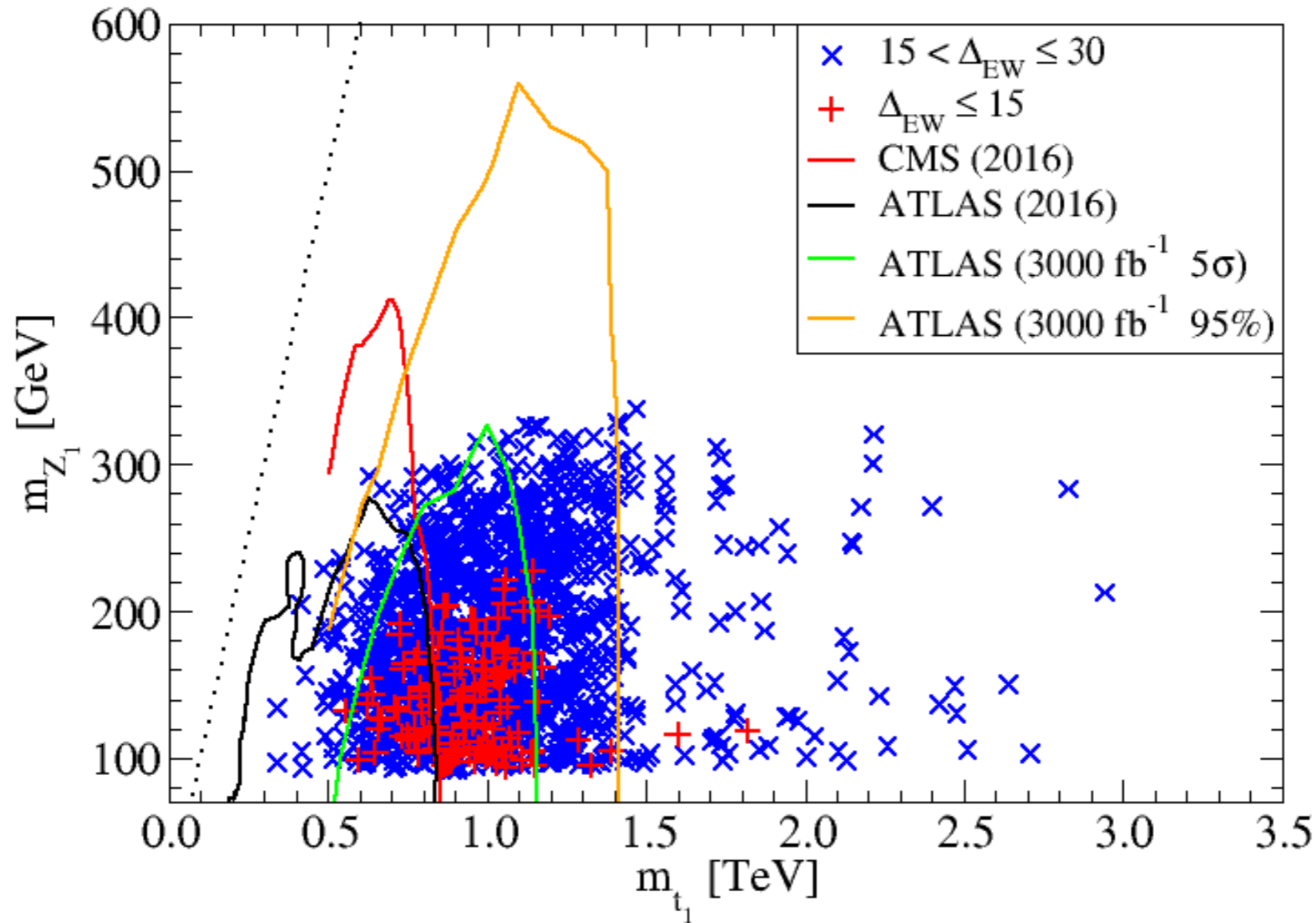
Present limits on top squarks from LHC



Evidently $m(t_1) > \sim 1$ TeV for $m(\text{LSP}) \sim 150$ GeV

- * TeV-scale top squark needed for $m(h) \sim 125$ GeV
- * Also needed for $b \rightarrow s$ gamma

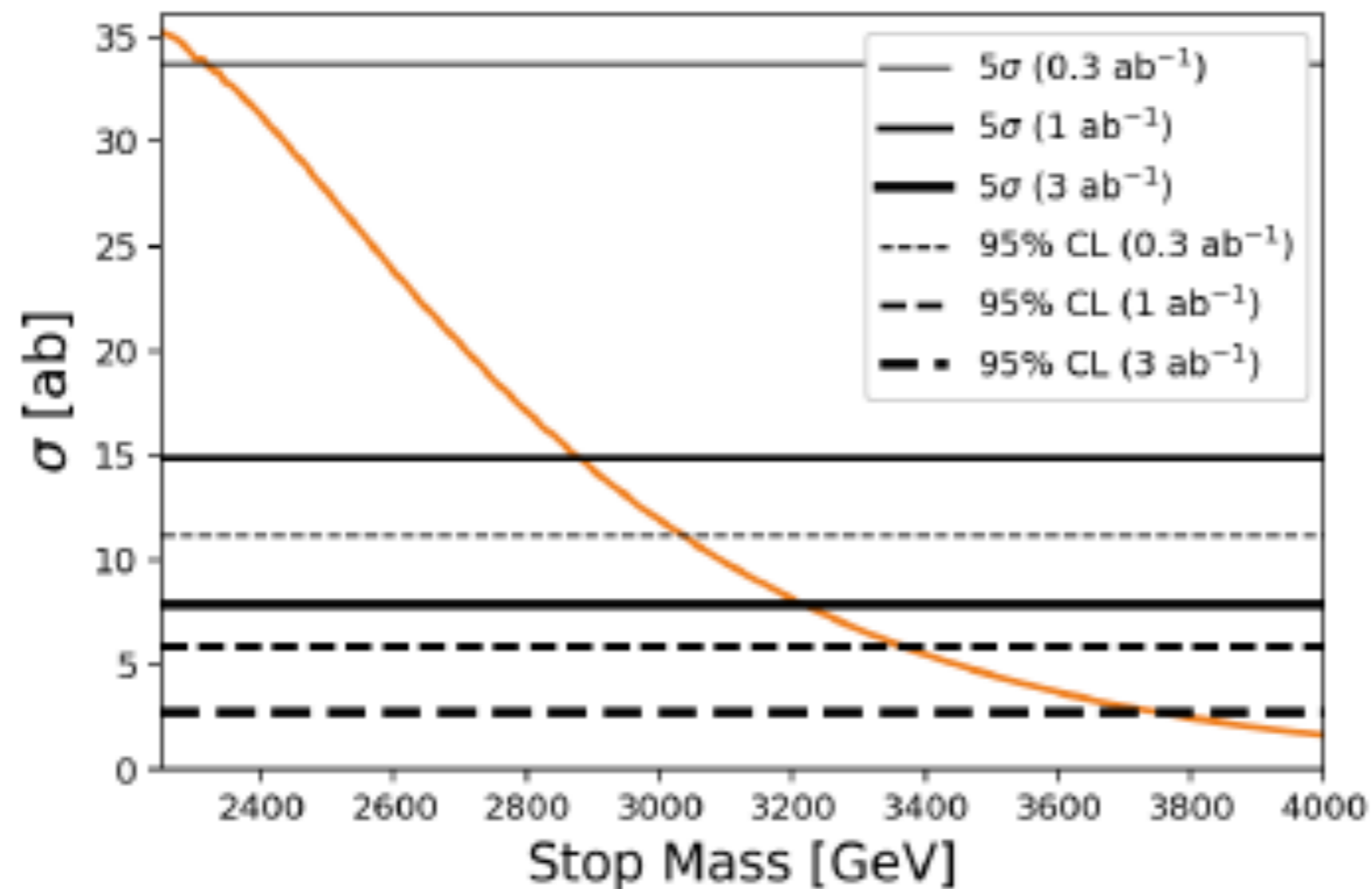
Prospects for top squarks in natural SUSY



$m(t_1)$ can range up to 3 TeV with little cost to naturalness;
the hunt for stops has only begun!

HL-LHC reach extends to $m(t_1) \sim 1.2-1.4$ TeV

Reach of LHC33 for top squarks



- $\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow b\tilde{W}_1; \sim 50\%$

- $\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow t\tilde{Z}_1; \sim 25\%$

- $\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow t\tilde{Z}_2; \sim 25\%$

- A. $\tilde{t}_1\tilde{t}_1^* \rightarrow b\bar{b} + E_T^{\text{miss}} \sim 25\%$,

- B. $\tilde{t}_1\tilde{t}_1^* \rightarrow b\bar{t}, \bar{b}t + E_T^{\text{miss}} \sim 50\%$,

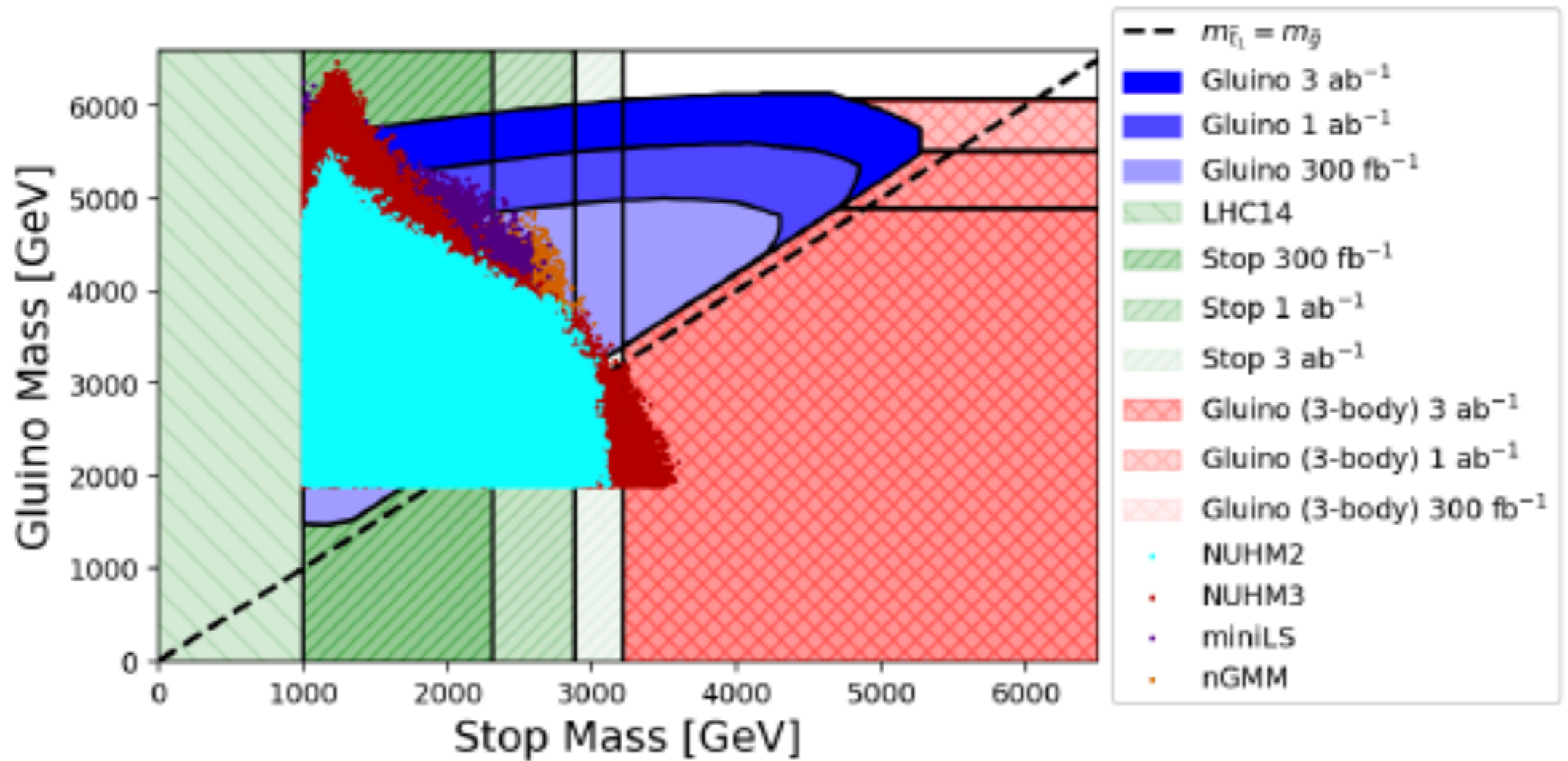
- C. $\tilde{t}_1\tilde{t}_1^* \rightarrow t\bar{t} + E_T^{\text{miss}} \sim 25\%$.

LHC33 reach extends to $m(\tilde{t}_1) \sim 3-3.8$ TeV

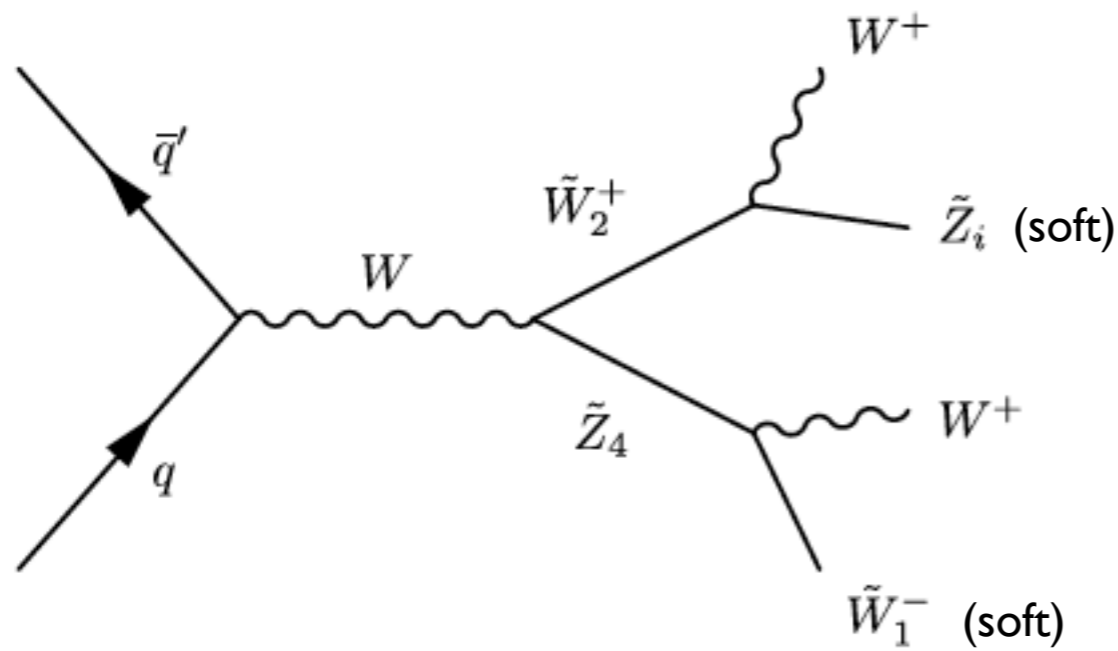
$n(\text{b-jets}) \geq 2; \text{MET} > 750$ GeV

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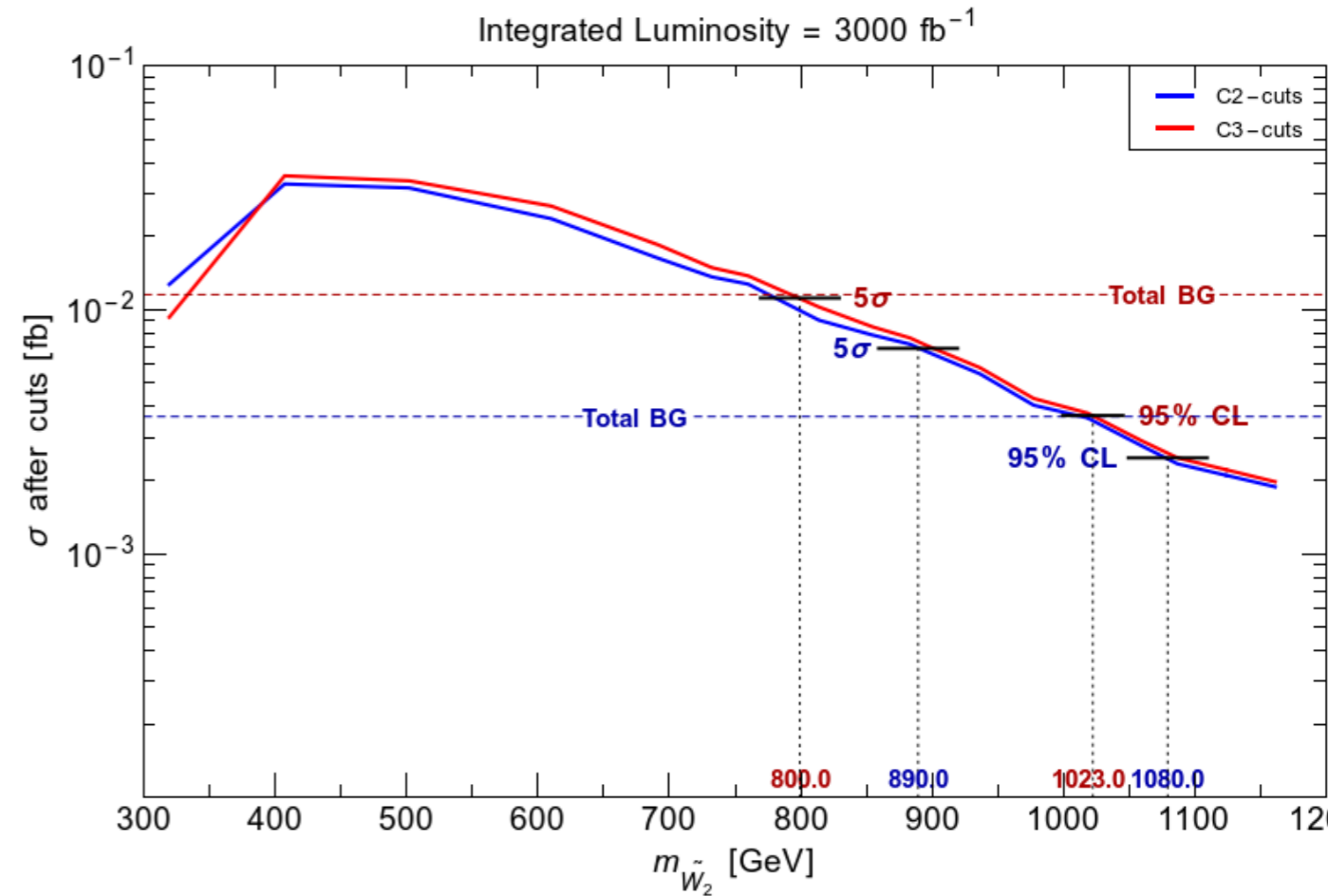
Combined LHC33 reach for $t1$ and $g1no$ covers all natural SUSY p-space!



Distinctive same-sign diboson (SSdB) signature from SUSY models with light higgsinos!

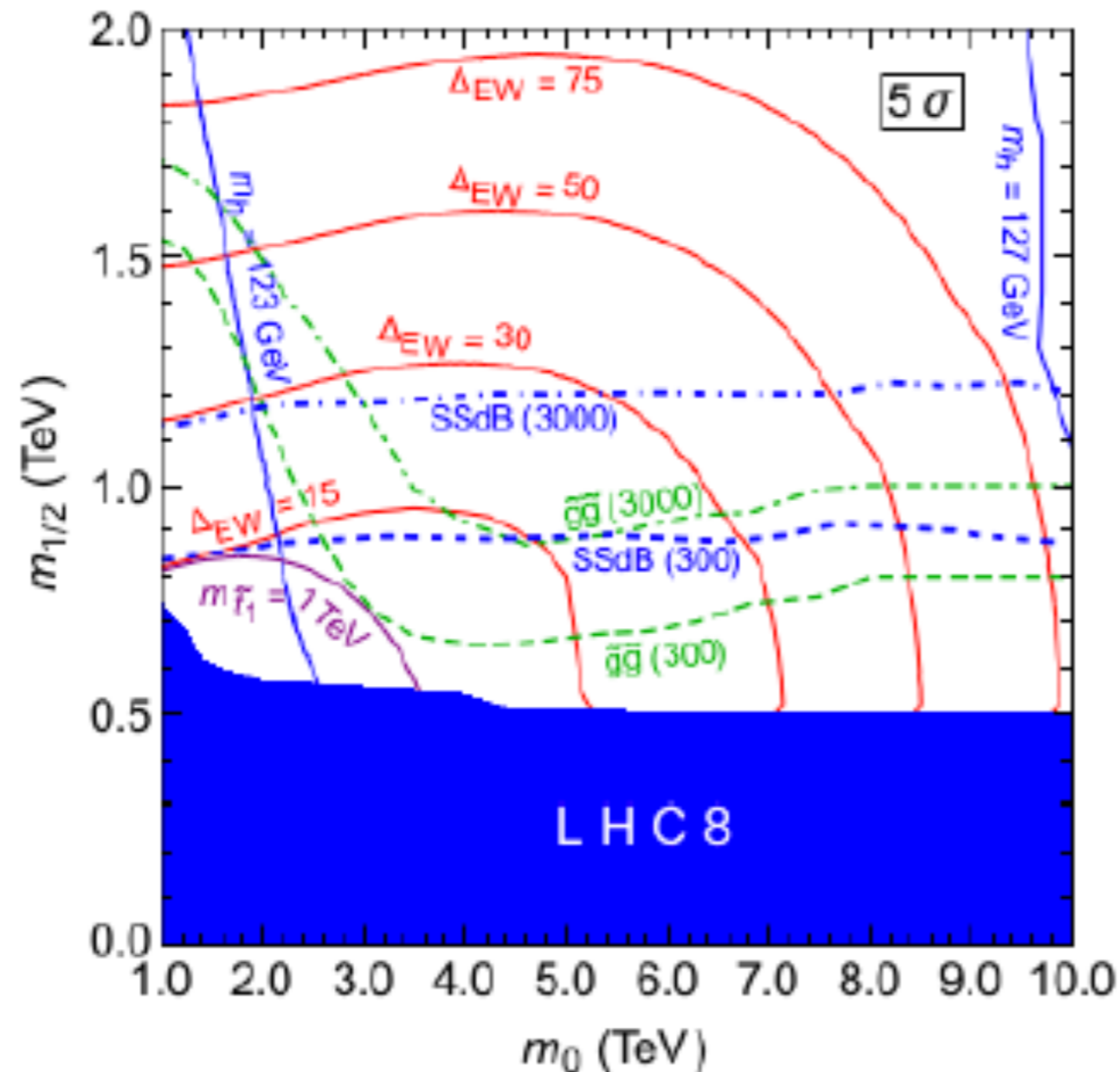


wino pair production



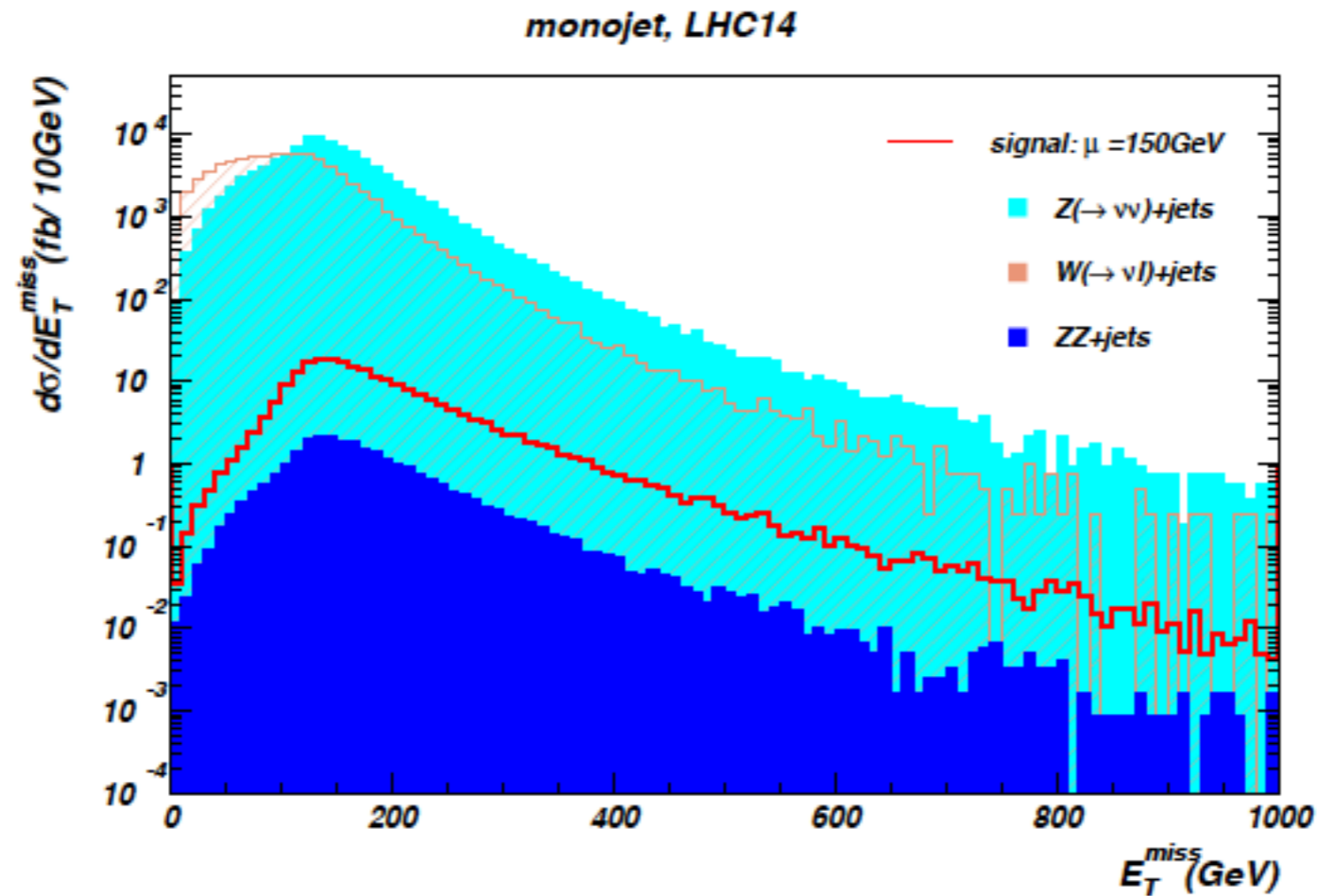
This channel offers good reach of LHC14 for RNS;
it is also indicative of wino-pair prod'n
followed by decay to higgsinos

Good old m_0 vs. $m_{1/2}$ plane still viable, but needs $\mu \sim 100\text{--}200$ GeV as possible in NUHM2 instead of CMSSM/mSUGRA



For models with no mass unif'n, reach via SSdB may exceed $g\bar{g}$ pairs for high luminosity

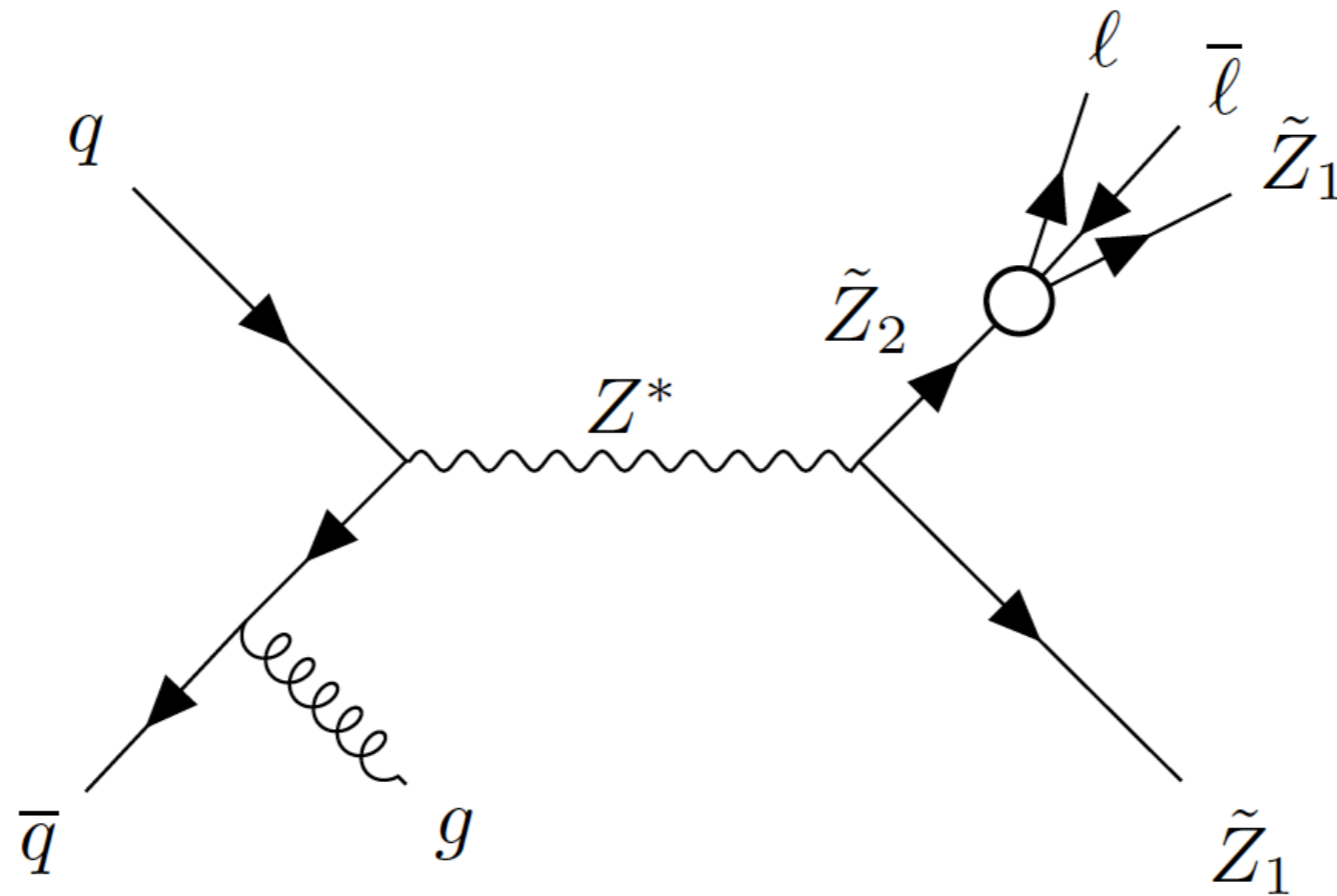
See direct higgsino pair production recoiling from ISR (monojet signal)?

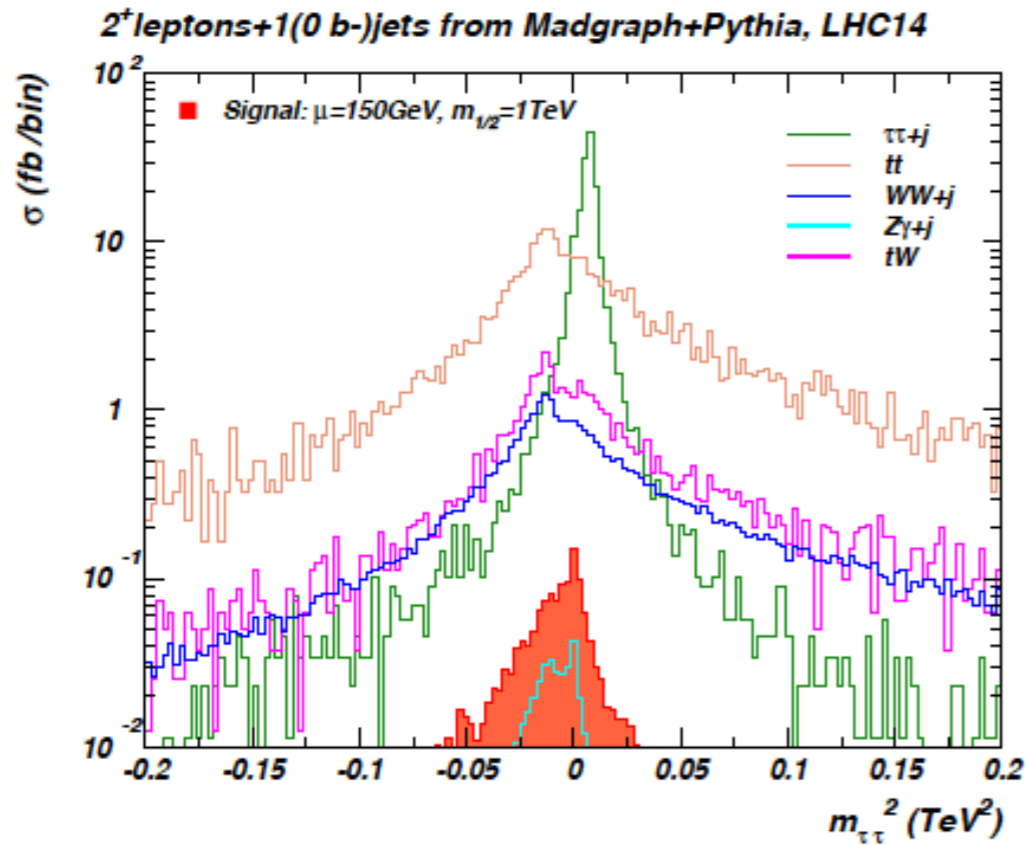


typically 1% S/BG after cuts:
very tough to do!

What about $pp \rightarrow \tilde{Z}_1 \tilde{Z}_2 j$ with $\tilde{Z}_2 \rightarrow \tilde{Z}_1 \ell^+ \ell^-$?

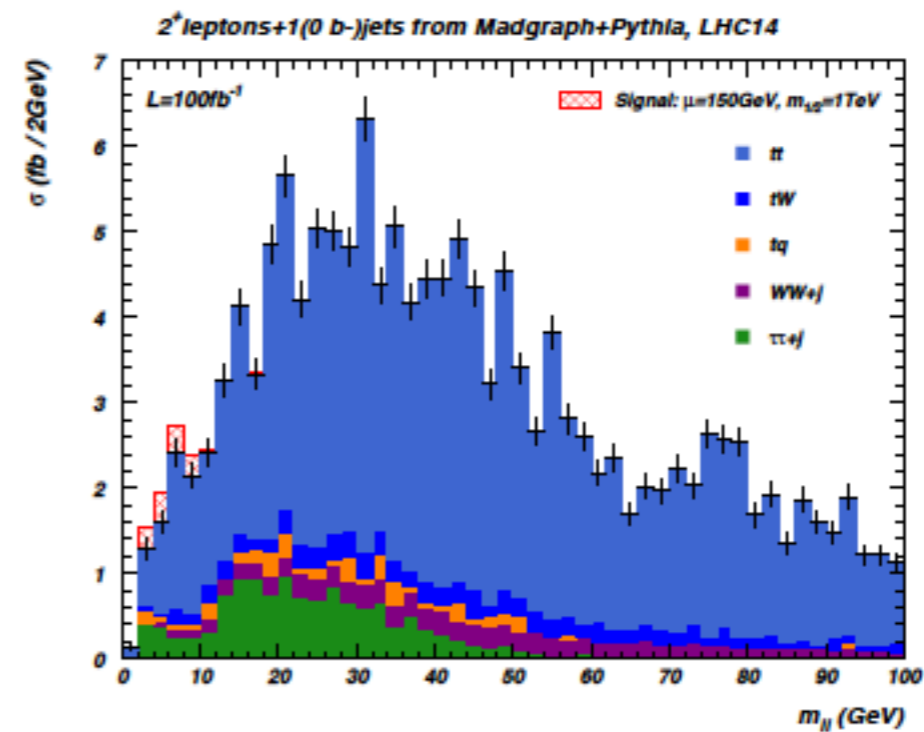
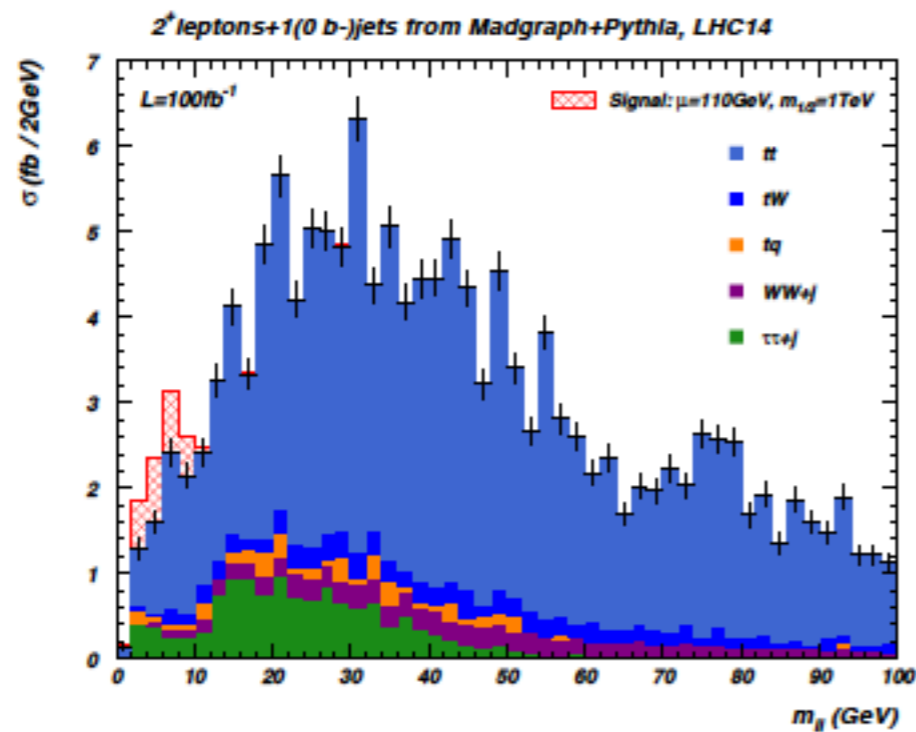
Han, Kribs, Martin, Menon, PRD89 (2014) 075007;
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use MET to construct $m^2(\text{tau-tau})$

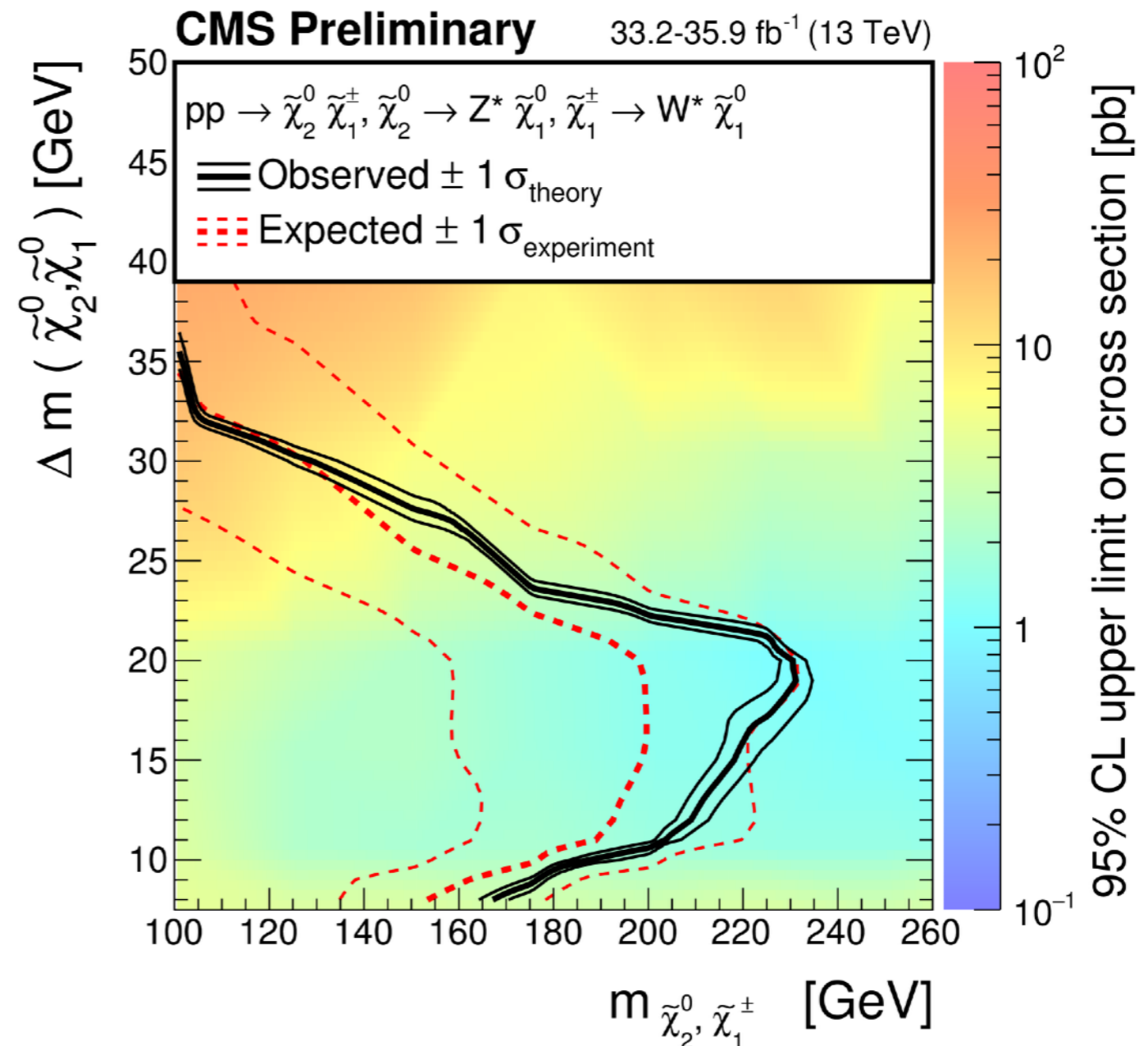
cut $m(\text{ditau})^2 < 0$



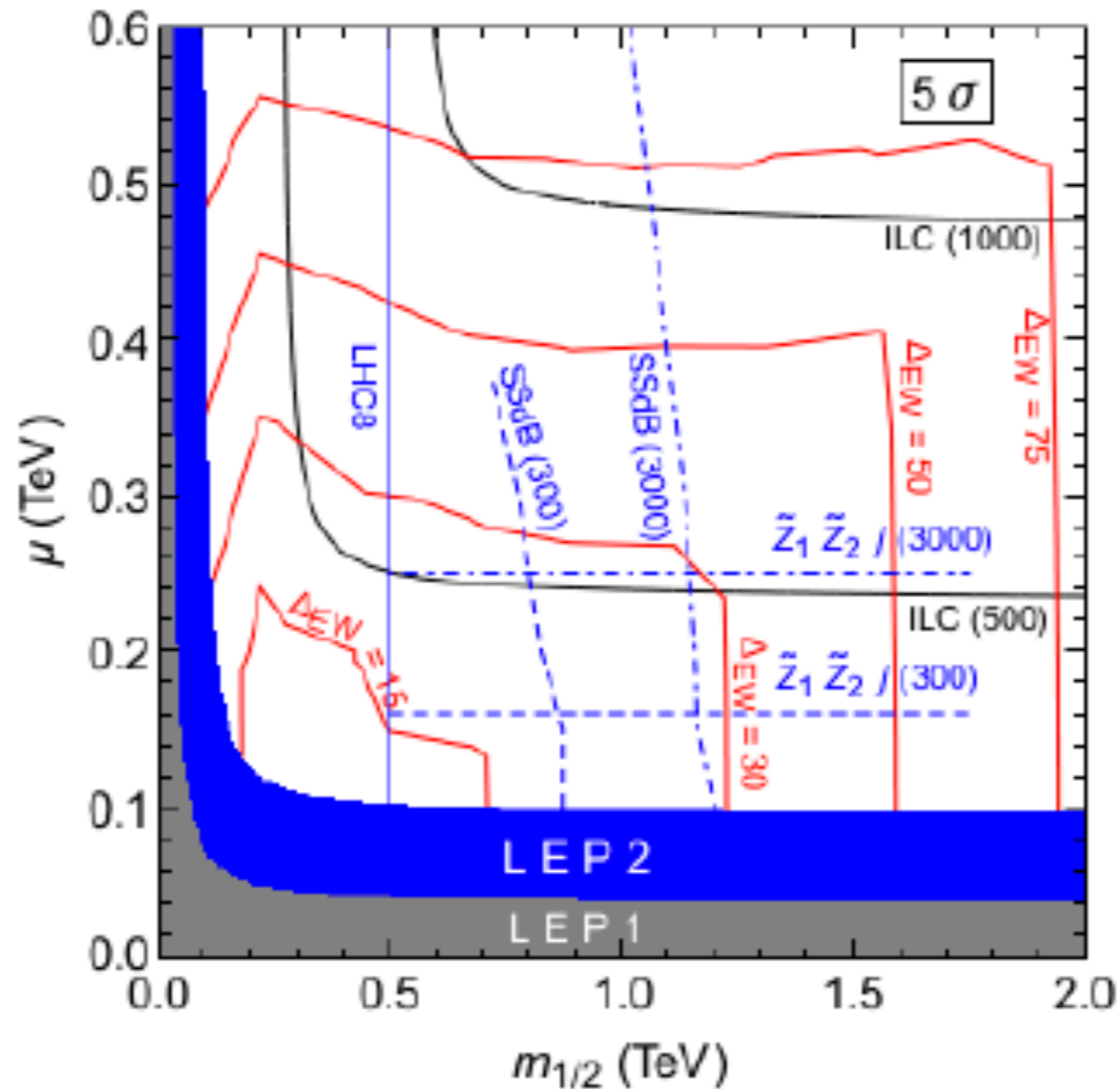
CMS analysis complete but results shown for wino pair production; higgsino pair production factor ~ 3.5 smaller so present CMS limit barely touches p-space

Atlas study underway- results soon?

NatSUSY z2-z1 mass gap may range down to 3 GeV so need to ID very soft leptons



panoramic view of reach of HL-LHC for natural SUSY



Combined SSdB/lljMET searches may cover all Nat SUSY p-space at HL-LHC for models with no mass unification; in mirage scenario, z_2-z_1 mass gap can be reduced and M_2 can be much higher than in NUHM2

Conclusions:

- In light of recent LHC bounds ($m(\text{gluino}) > 2 \text{ TeV}$, $m(\text{t1}) > 1 \text{ TeV}$) and $m(\text{h})$ requiring TeV-scale highly mixed top squarks, concern has arisen about an emerging Little Hierarchy problem characterized by $m(\text{weak}) \sim 100 \text{ GeV} \ll m(\text{SUSY}) \sim \text{multi-TeV}$ rendering perhaps SUSY as “unnatural”
- We propose an improved naturalness measure based upon scalar potential minimization condition

$$m_Z^2/2 = \frac{m_{H_d}^2 + \Sigma_d^d - (m_{H_u}^2 + \Sigma_u^u) \tan^2 \beta}{\tan^2 \beta - 1} - \mu^2 \simeq -m_{H_u}^2 - \Sigma_u^u(\tilde{t}_{1,2}) - \mu^2$$

This leads to upper bounds from naturalness:

- $m(\text{higgsinos}) \sim 100\text{--}300 \text{ GeV}$ (the lighter the better)
- $m(\text{t1}) < \sim 3 \text{ TeV}$
- $m(\text{gluino}) < \sim 5 \text{ TeV}$

DM=WIMP/axion mix?

Conclusions:

1. SUSY still natural;
2. hunt for nSUSY has only begun;
3. HL-LHC handle most SUSY with ino-mass unification;
4. other (e.g. mirage) may require HE-LHC to complete search

process	current	HL-LHC	HE-LHC
gluino-gluino	$m(\text{gluino}) > 2 \text{ TeV}$	$\sim 2.8 \text{ TeV}$	5 TeV
t1-t1	$m(\text{t1}) > 1 \text{ TeV}$	1.3 TeV	3.5 TeV
SSdB (winos)	x	$m(\text{W2}) \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$?
z1z2j- >l+l+j+MET	barely	$\mu \sim 250 \text{ GeV}$?

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