



Lecture 2: searches



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- reminder of motivations behind accelerator and experiment
- existing experimental limits on sparticles
- MSSM sparticle searches at the LHC
- MSSM Higgs searches at the LHC



Why SUSY is a good idea



One of the most appealing extensions of the Standard Model:

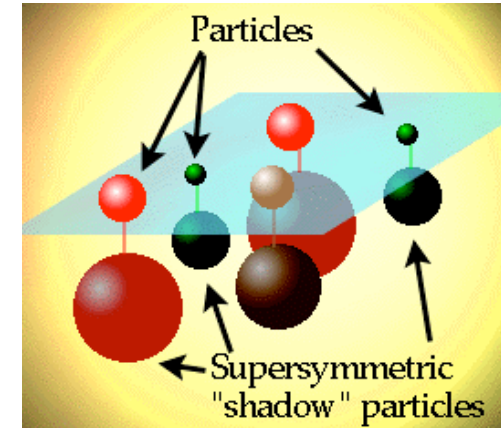
TeV-scale supersymmetry

[= a symmetry between fermions and bosons,
duplicates the SM particle spectrum, but not the couplings]

Solves several problems at once:

- hierarchy problem
- opening towards a theory of gravity
- unification of gauge couplings
- dark matter candidate (=lightest susy particle or LSP)
- allows to explain why the Higgs mechanism works
(radiative EWSB)

Need to introduce new particles :



leptons (f)

quarks (f)

gauge bosons (b)

Higgs bosons (b)



sleptons (b)

squarks (b)

gauginos (f)

higgsinos (f)

(\tilde{l}, \tilde{q})

neutralinos

charginos

$(\chi_1^0, \chi_2^0, \chi_3^0, \chi_4^0)$

(χ_1^\pm, χ_2^\pm)

(f = fermion, b = boson)



How heavy?



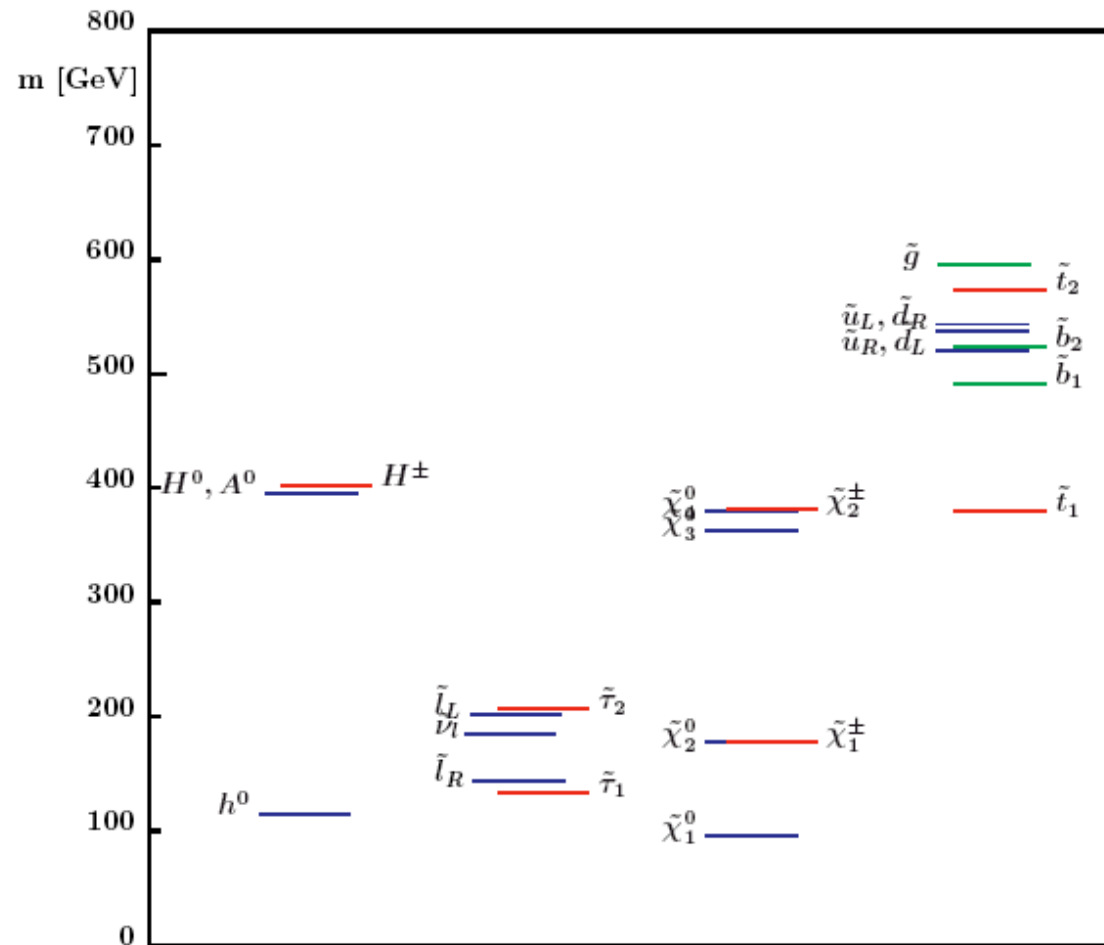
How heavy are the sparticles?

independent arguments for 1 TeV scale:

- Gauge coupling unification
- Hierarchy solution
- Dark matter (?)
- EWSB relation

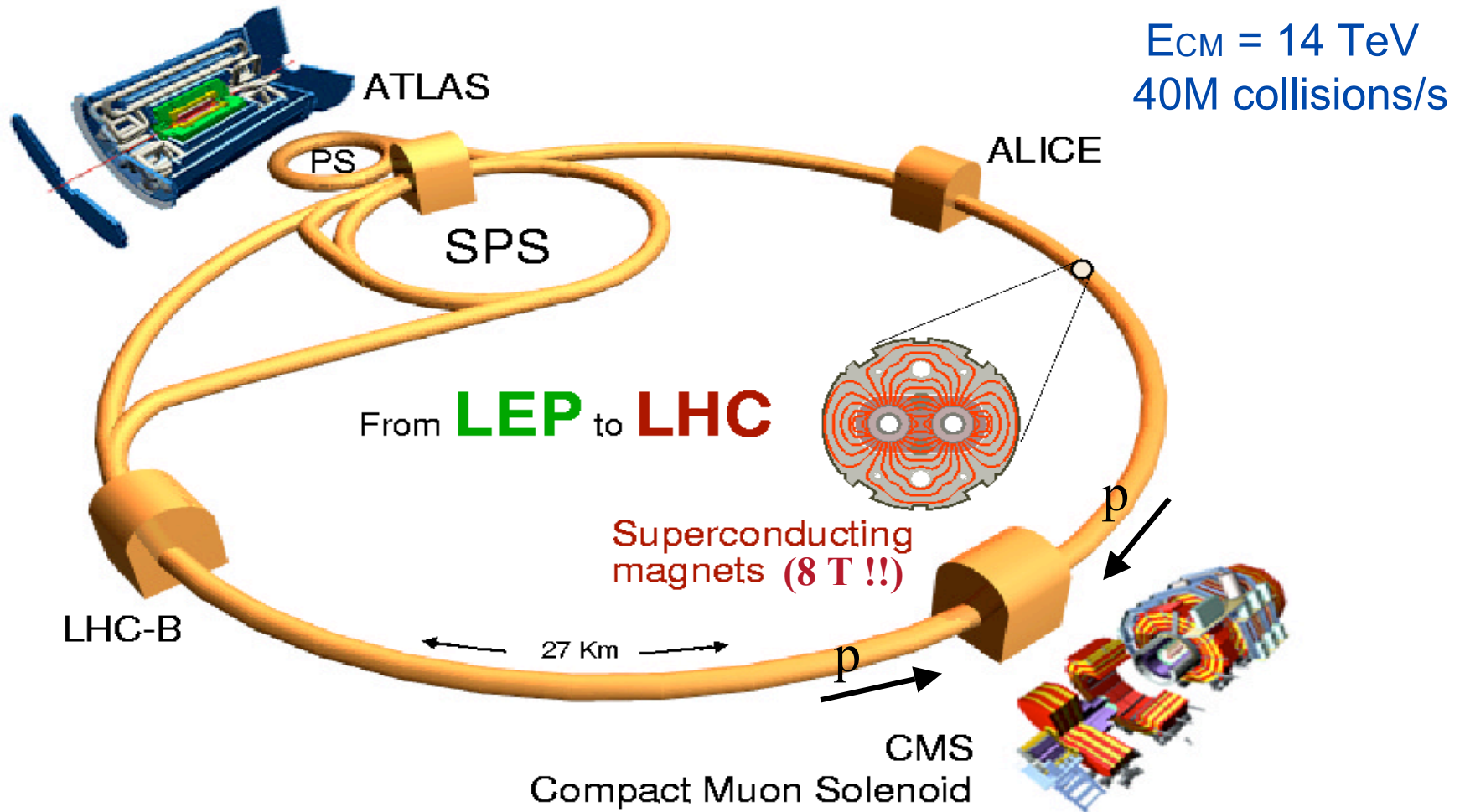


Example spectrum: SPS1a





A new accelerator : LHC





The Benchmark Reaction: SM Higgs

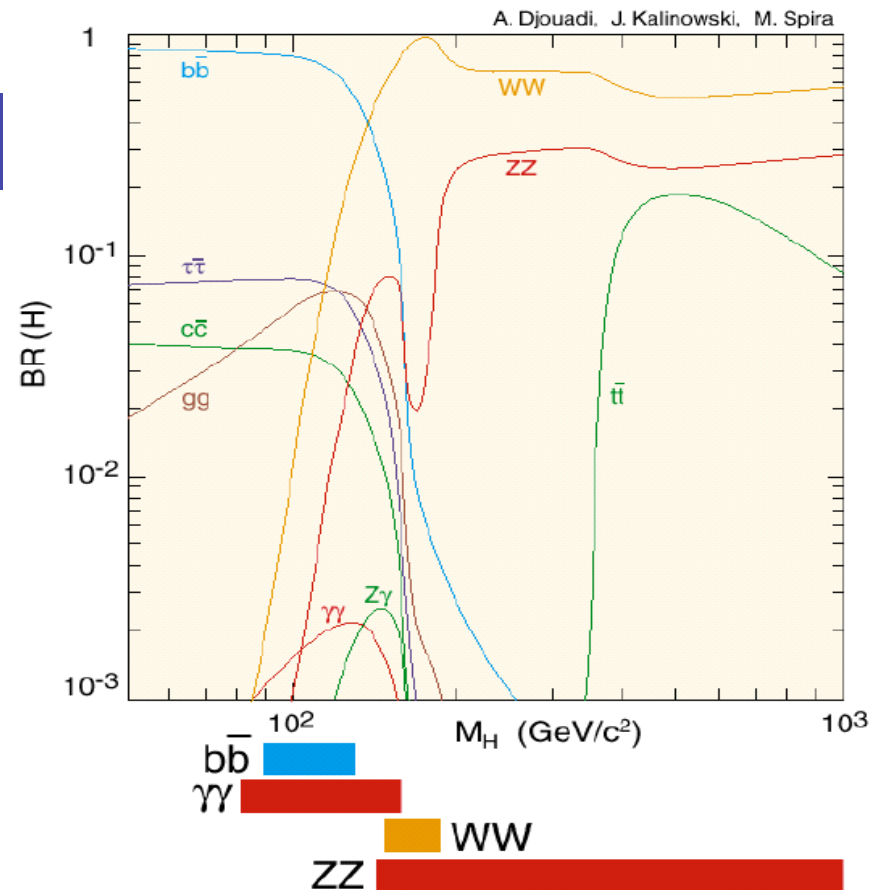


Use SM Higgs as a benchmark for new accelerator/detector design

$115 \text{ GeV} < M(\text{Higgs}) < \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$

Promising SM Higgs decay modes:

- low mass: $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- intermediate mass :
 $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow 2 \text{ leptons} + \text{neutrinos}$
- high mass : $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4 \text{ leptons}$





Why LHC?



- LEP (e⁺e⁻) not enough energy for new physics (limited due to synchrotron radiation)
- upgrade: either larger R or larger m (since $-\Delta E \propto \frac{1}{R} \left(\frac{E}{m} \right)^4$)
- so: 1) keep LEP tunnel and go to protons (large m) or
2) go to a linear collider (large R)
- decided to do 1) first
- energy of LHC determined by bending power magnets:

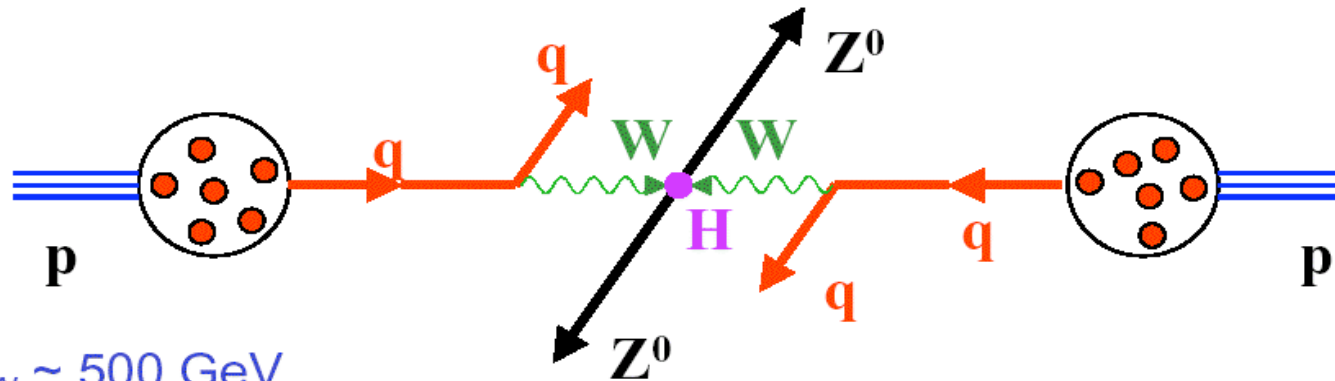


Design goals of the LHC



Hadron colliders are broad-band exploratory machines

May need to study W_L - W_L scattering at a cm energy of ~ 1 TeV



- $\Rightarrow E_W \sim 500$ GeV
- $\Rightarrow E_{\text{quark}} \sim 1$ TeV
- $\Rightarrow E_{\text{proton}} \sim 6$ TeV

\Rightarrow **pp collisions at 7 + 7 TeV**



14 TeV collider

Event Rate = $L \cdot \sigma \cdot BR$

e.g. $H(1 \text{ TeV}) \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2e+2\mu$ or $4e$ or 4μ

For $L \sim 10^{34}$, $\text{Evts/yr} = 10^{34} \cdot 10^{-37} \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot 10^7 \sim 10$ /yr !!



$L \sim 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

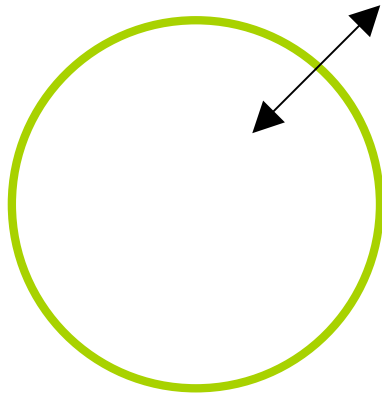


LHC energy



Simple calculation:

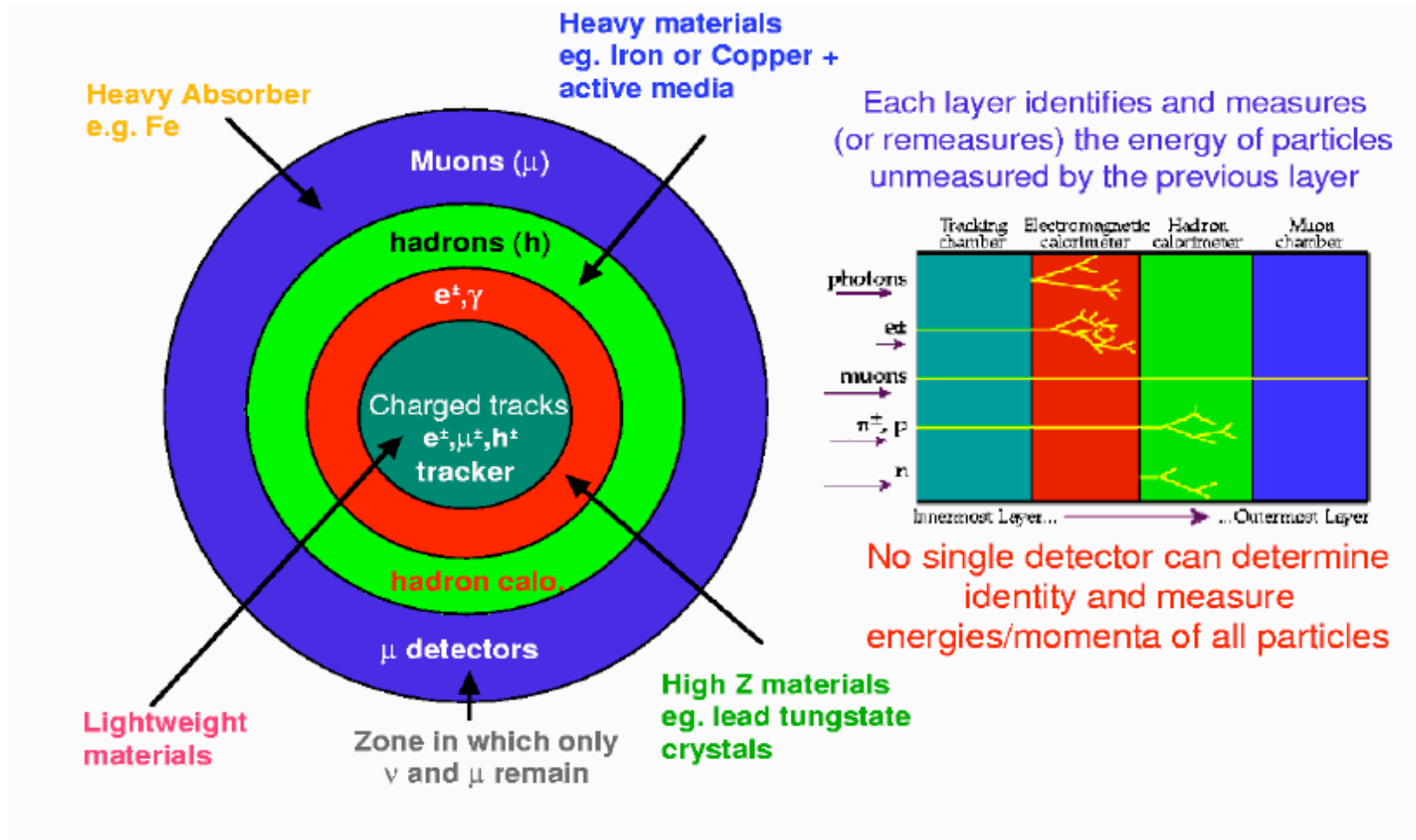
require that the magnetic field compensates
the centrifugal effect:



$$F = m \frac{v^2}{R} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad F = qvB$$

\Leftrightarrow

$$E [\text{TeV}] = 0.84 B [\text{T}]$$





(CMS) Design Criteria



Very good muon identification and momentum measurement

Trigger efficiently and measure sign of TeV muons $dp/p < 10\%$

High energy resolution electromagnetic calorimetry

$\sim 0.5\%$ @ $E_T \sim 50$ GeV

Powerful inner tracking systems

Momentum resolution a factor 10 better than at LEP

Hermetic calorimetry

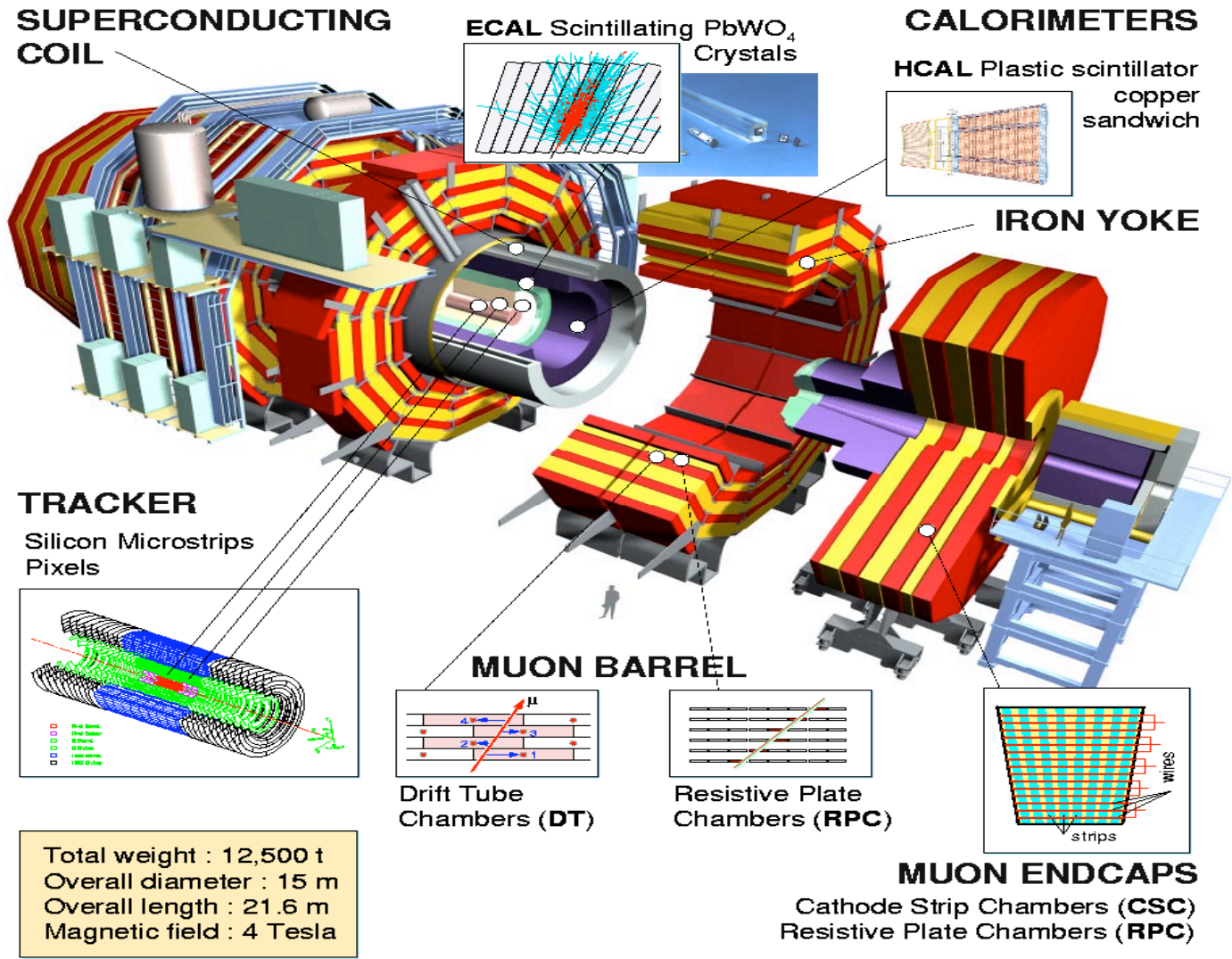
Good missing E_T resolution

(Affordable detector)

*Transparency from
the early 90's*



The CMS components





Experimental Challenge



LHC Detectors (especially CMS & ATLAS) are radically different from the ones from the previous generations

High Interaction Rate

pp interaction rate up to **1 billion interactions/s**

Data can be recorded for only $\sim 10^2$ out of 40 million crossings/sec

Level-1 trigger decision takes $\sim 2-3 \mu\text{s}$

⇒ **electronics need to store data locally (pipelining)**

Large Particle Multiplicity

$\sim \langle 20 \rangle$ superposed events in each crossing

~ 1000 tracks stream into the detector every 25 ns

need highly granular detectors with good time resolution for low occupancy

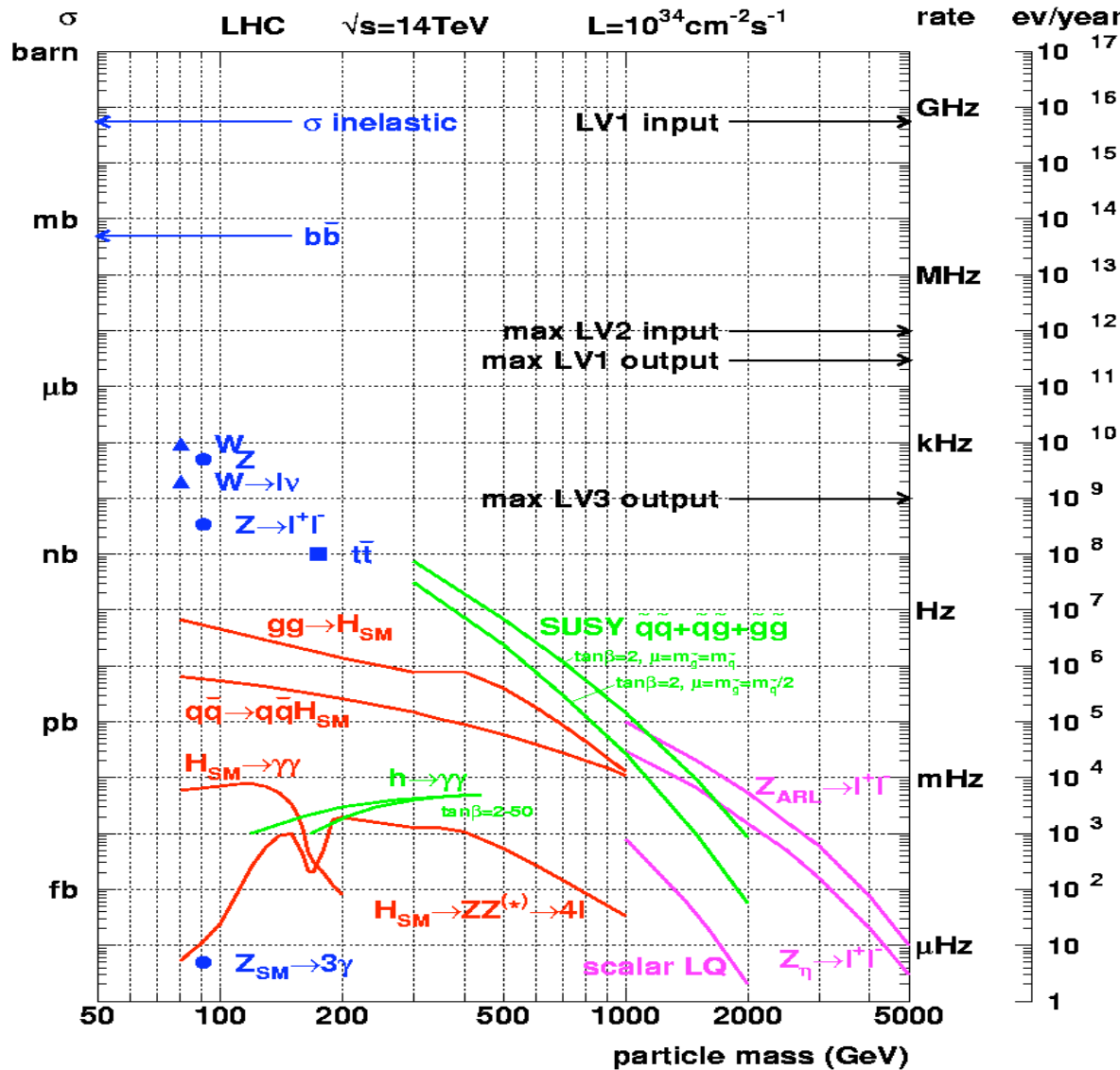
⇒ **large number of channels ($\sim 100 \text{ M ch}$)**

High Radiation Levels

⇒ **radiation hard (tolerant) detectors and electronics**



Cross sections @ the LHC



“Well known” processes,
don’t need to keep all of
them ...

New Physics!!
This we want to keep!!



Level-1 trigger table

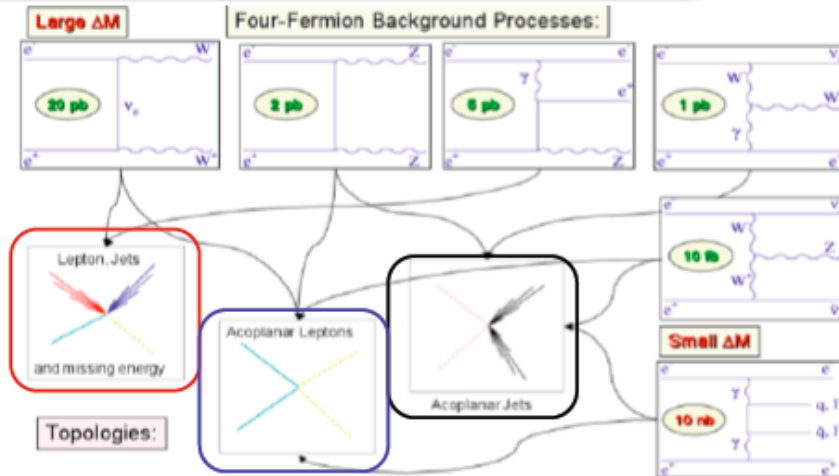
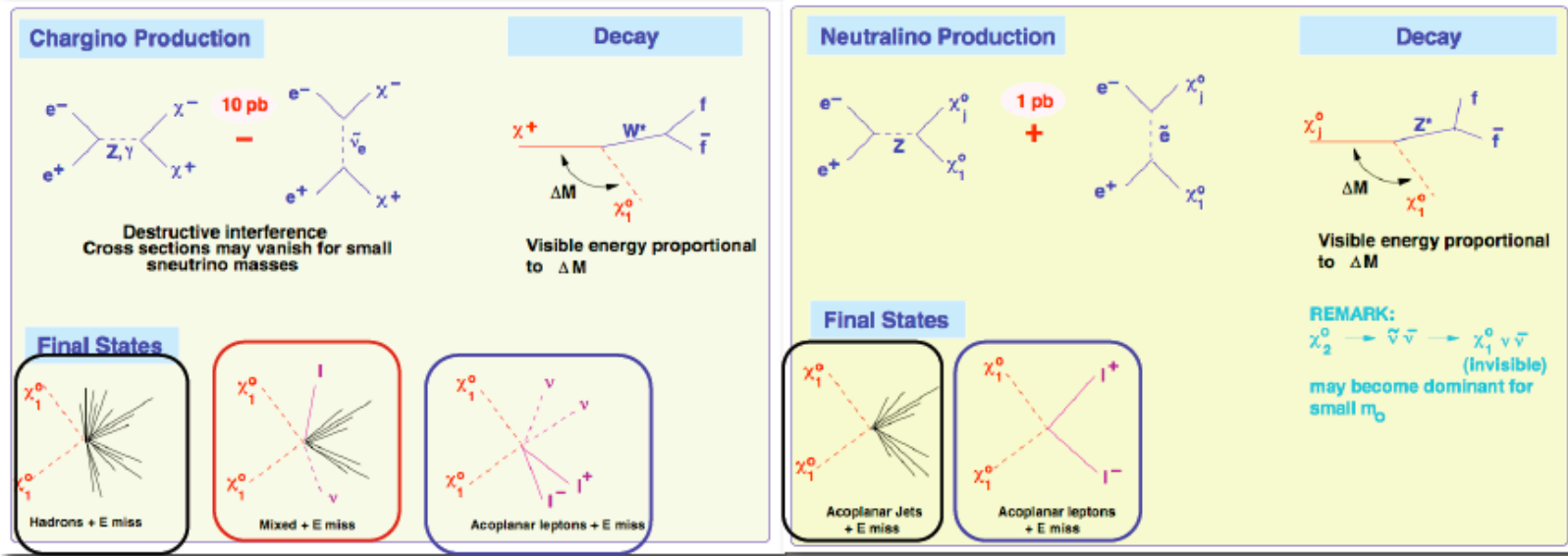


CMS Level-1 Trigger table (2×10^{33})

Trigger	Threshold (GeV or GeV/c)	Rate (kHz)	Cumulative Rate (kHz)
Isolated e/ γ	29	3.3	3.3
Di-e/ γ	17	1.3	4.3
Isolated muon	14	2.7	7.0
Di-muon	3	0.9	7.9
Single tau-jet	86	2.2	10.1
Di-tau-jet	59	1.0	10.9
1-jet, 3-jet, 4-jet	177, 86, 70	3.0	12.5
Jet* $E_{T,miss}$	88*46	2.3	14.3
Electron*jet	21*45	0.8	15.1
Min-bias		0.9	16.0
TOTAL			16.0



LEP sparticle production



Standard Model backgrounds



Direct search limits



Channel	$M >$ (GeV)	ΔM	
$\tilde{\nu}$	43.7	EW measts	LEP
$\tilde{e} \rightarrow e\chi_1^0$	99	10 GeV	LEP
$\tilde{\mu} \rightarrow \mu\chi_1^0$	95	10 GeV	LEP
$\tilde{\tau} \rightarrow \tau\chi_1^0$	85	10 GeV	LEP
$\tilde{t} \rightarrow c\chi_1^0$	95	20 GeV	LEP
$\tilde{t} \rightarrow b\tilde{\nu}$	96	20 GeV	LEP
$\tilde{b} \rightarrow b\chi_1^0$	94	20 GeV	LEP
$\tilde{g} \rightarrow j + E_T^m$	233	msugra	Tevatron
$\tilde{q} \rightarrow j + E_T^m$	318	msugra	Tevatron
$\chi_1^\pm \rightarrow W\chi_1^0$	103.5	Large m_0	LEP
$\chi_1^\pm \rightarrow W\chi_1^0$	92.4	Small ΔM	LEP

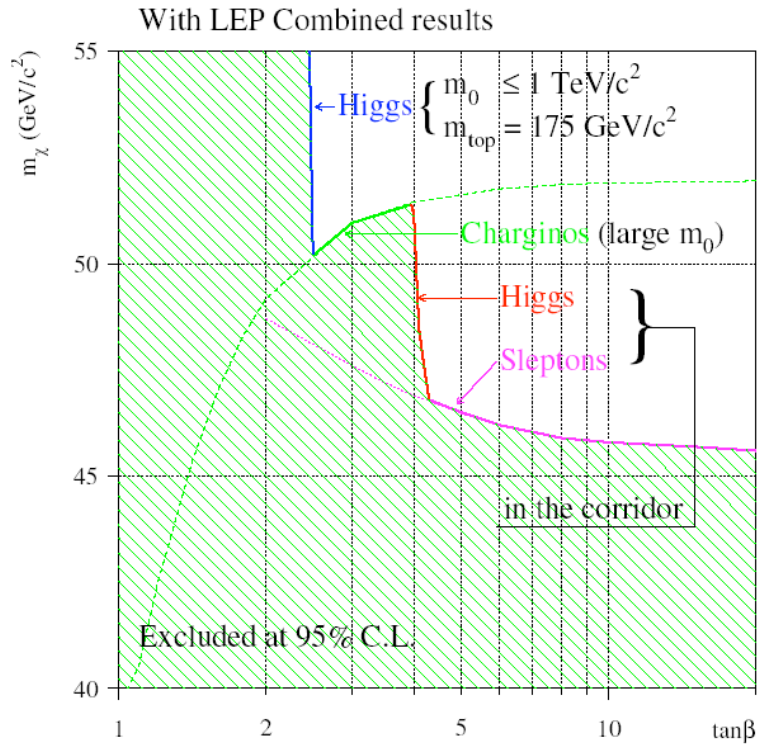
Tevatron: 2005 numbers, LEP: 2004 numbers



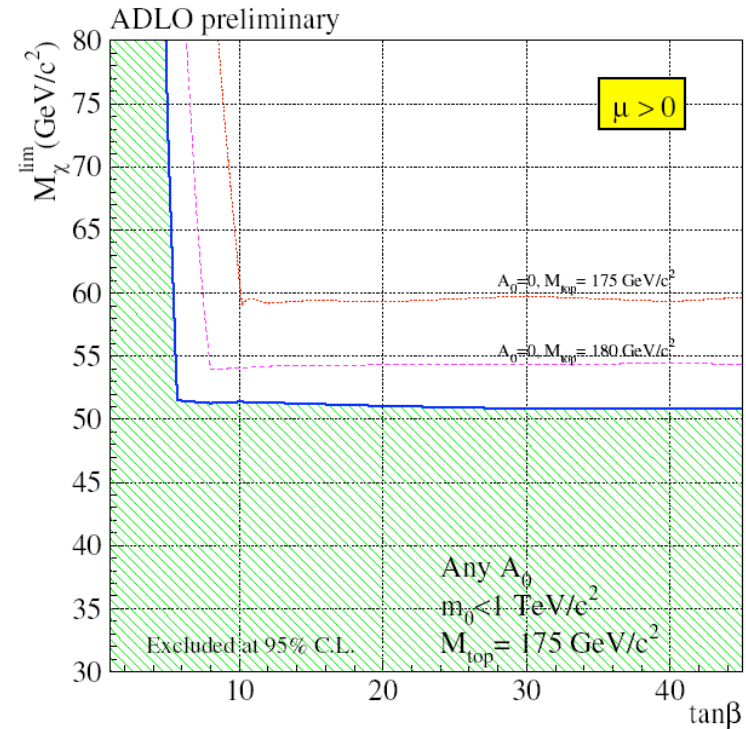
Indirect limits on LSP



In MSSM



In MSUGRA



$M(\chi^0_1 = \text{LSP}) > 45 - 50 \text{ GeV}$



LHC



Supersymmetry searches at the LHC

- Inclusive signatures:
discovery, fast but not unambiguous
- Exclusive final states & long term measurements:
towards understanding the underlying model



Generic SUSY signatures

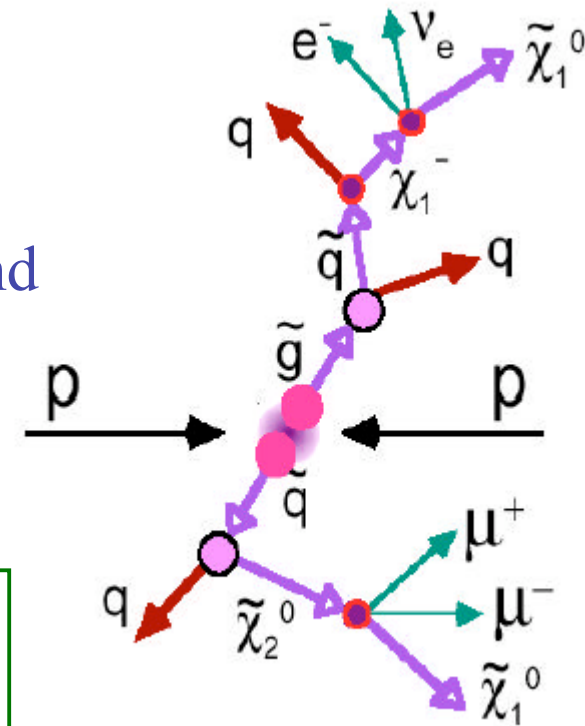


General characteristics of R-parity conserving SUSY:

- sparticles pair produced and LSP stable
→ large amount of missing transverse energy
- coloured sparticles are copiously produced and cascade down to the LSP with emission of many hard jets and sometimes leptons



Generic SUSY signatures are
 $E_T^{\text{miss}} + \text{multi-jets (and multi-leptons)}$

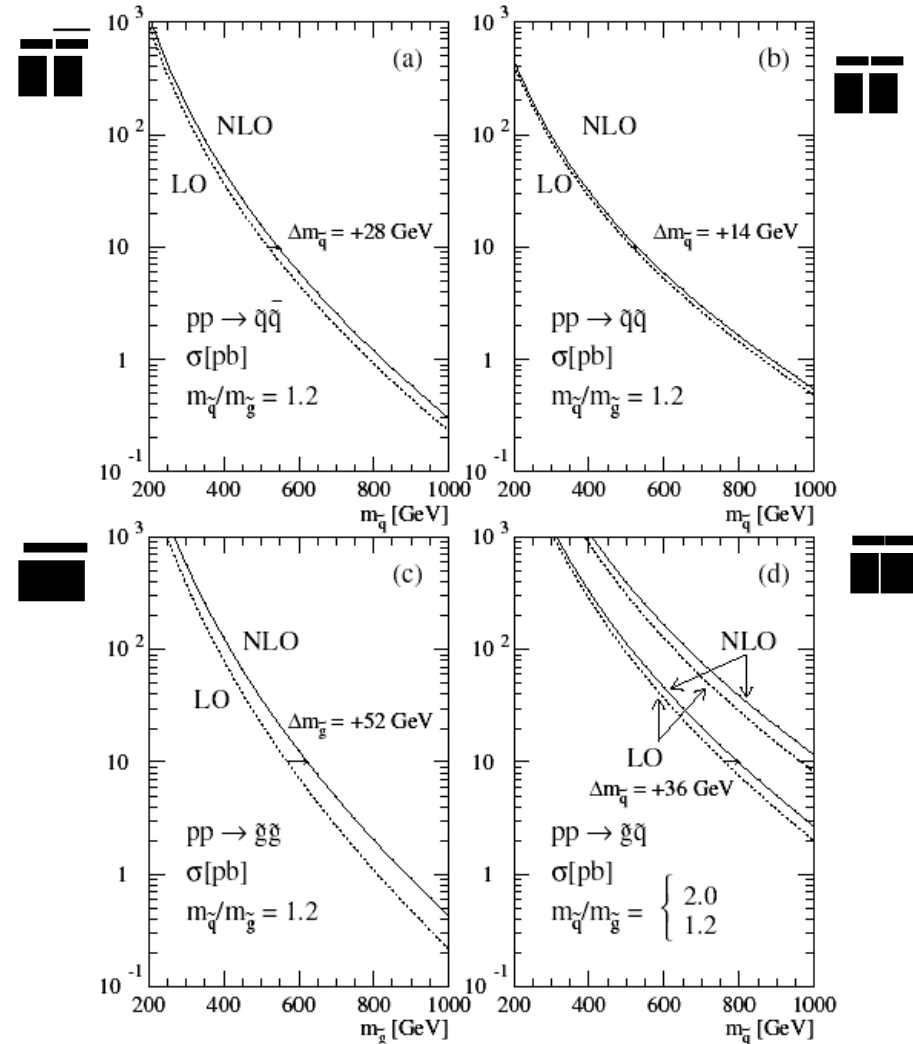




Squark/gluino cross sections



- **NLO cross sections at LHC**
 - NLO calculation is important:
 $\sigma_{\text{NLO}} \sim (1.1-1.9) \sigma_{\text{LO}}$
 - Remaining scale dependence
 $\sim 15\%$ (uncertainty)
 - At 1 TeV, summed $\sigma > 1 \text{ pb}$
 - 1 fb at $\sim 2.5 \text{ TeV}$

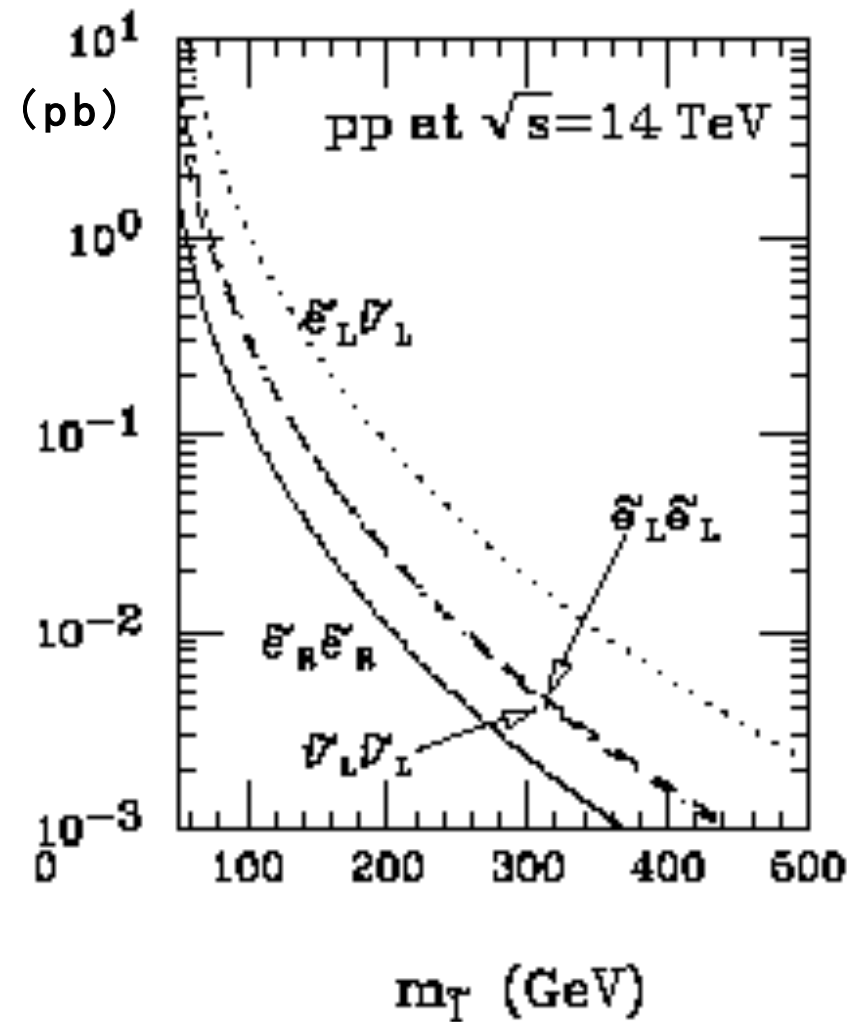




Slepton pair production



- Slepton pair production at NLO
 - Drell-Yan process mediated by Z^* or W^*
 - With QCD corrections at LHC $\sigma_{\text{NLO}} \sim (1.25-1.35) \sigma_{\text{LO}}$
 - Cross section is small $< 1 \text{ fb}$ at $\sim 500 \text{ GeV}$

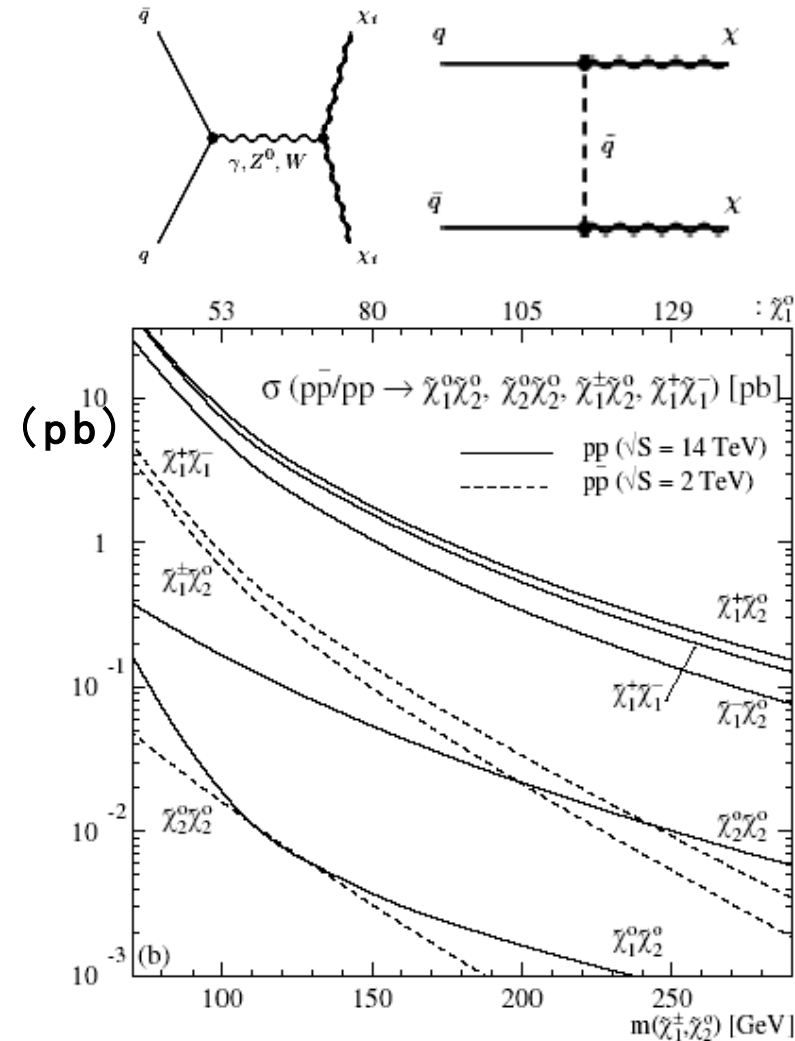




Chargino/neutralino production

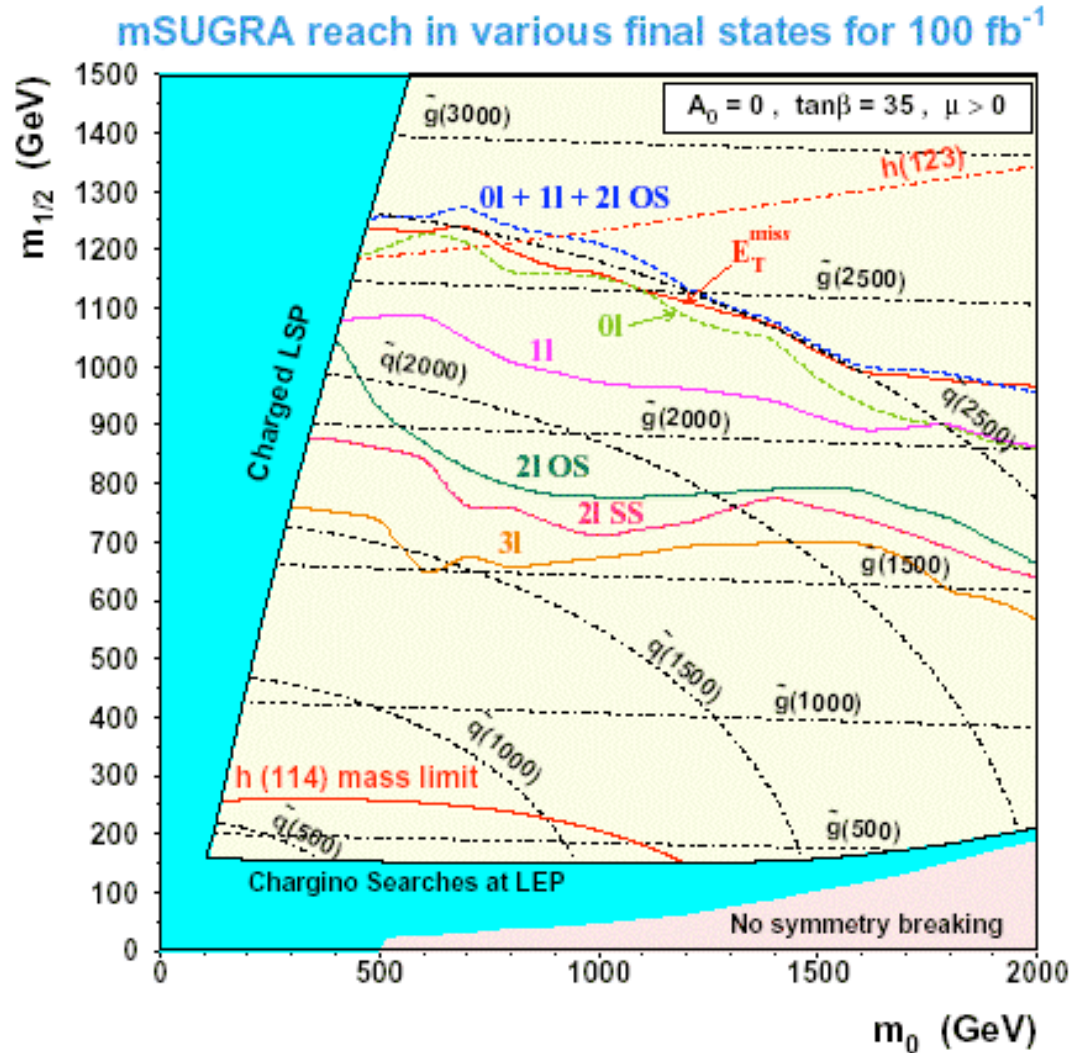


- Chargino/neutralino direct production
 - With QCD corrections at NLO
 - $\sigma_{\text{NLO}} \sim (1.1-1.4) \sigma_{\text{LO}}$
 - Interesting: $\chi_2^0 \chi_1^\pm$
 - with $\chi_2^0 \rightarrow \chi_1^0 l^+ l^-$ $\chi_1^\pm \rightarrow \chi_1^0 l^\pm \nu$
 - tripleton final state





Inclusive SUSY



- jets + E_T^{miss}
- 1,2,3 lepton + E_T^{miss}
- opposite sign (OS) or same sign (SS) di-leptons
- often several topologies simultaneously visible

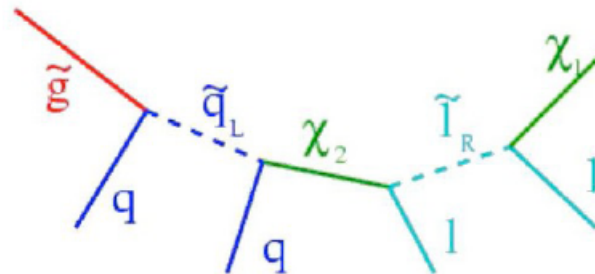


A typical SUSY selection



Event selection :

- large missing E_T (MET): $O(> 200 \text{ GeV})$ (\rightarrow LSP)
MET challenging to control at startup
- at least 3 hard jets (\rightarrow cascade decays)
3 may not always be optimal
- N leptons (according to investigated topology)
growing N: reduces QCD background
- angular or event shape variables for background rejection
top background probably the most challenging



Main backgrounds: tt+jets, W+jets, Z+jets, QCD (multijet)



Jets + MET



$N_{\text{leptons}}=0$: largest signal cross section, but beware of QCD!

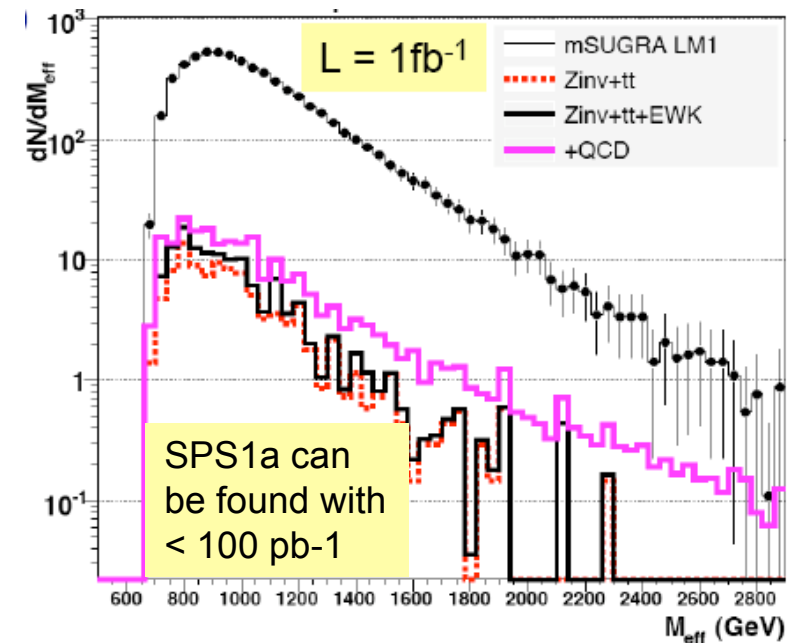
Event Selection:

- MET > 200 GeV
- ≥ 3 jets ($|\eta| < 1.7/3/3$) with $E_T > 180/110/30$ GeV
- HT (= $E_{T,j2}+E_{T,j3}+E_{T,j4}+MET$) > 500 GeV
- indirect lepton veto
- cleanup and QCD rejection (see next slide)

Efficiency for e.g. SPS1a: 13%

Main backgrounds:

- QCD multijets: MET due to mis-measurements or jet resolution
- Z+jets: $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$ irreducible
- tt+jets: hadronic or lost lepton(s)
- W+jets: hadronic or lost lepton



Early data: cannot trust simulation \rightarrow determine backgrounds from data

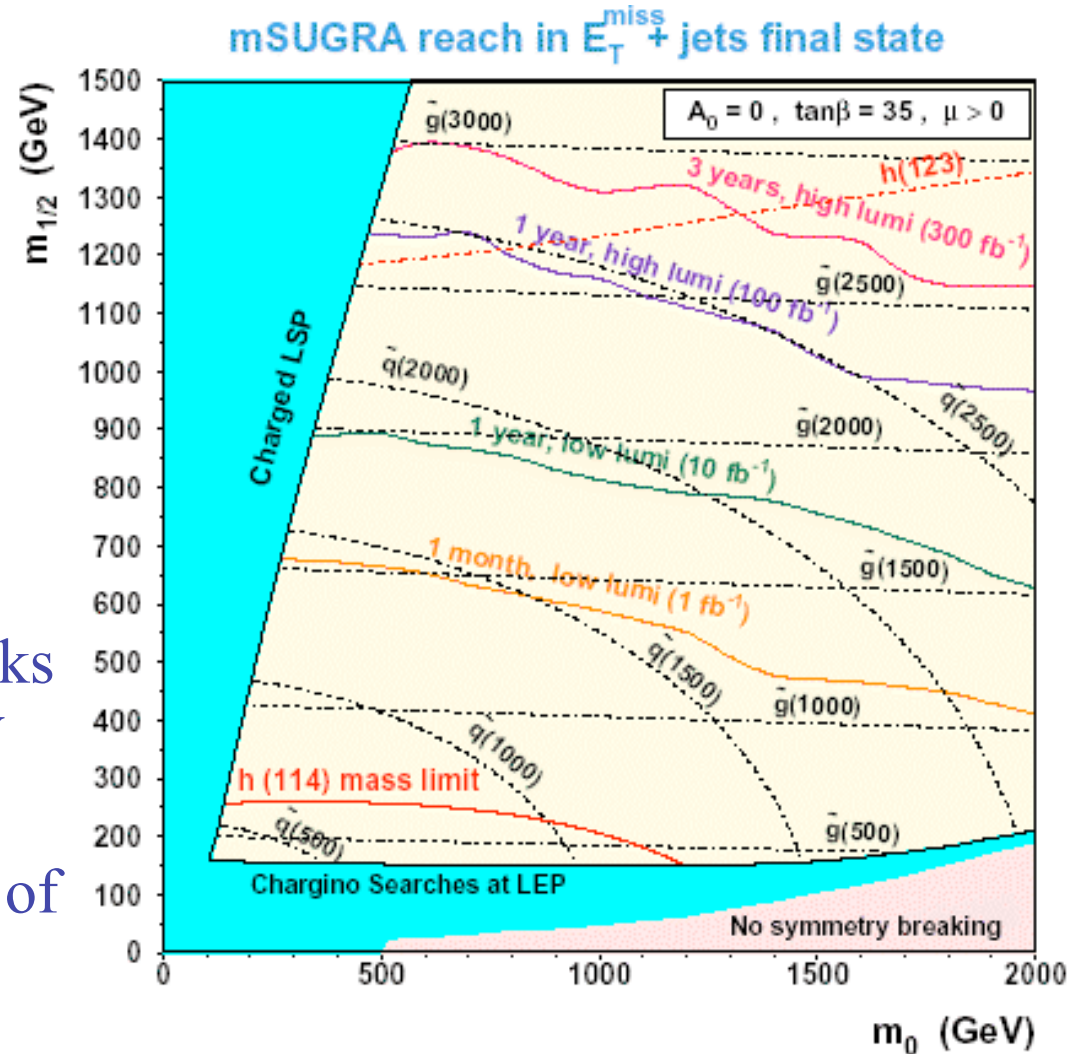


Jet + MET reach



Signature: $E_T^{\text{miss}} + \text{jets}$

- $\sigma \sim 1 \text{ pb}$ at 1 TeV
→ physics for startup
- significant reach after 1 yr
- with 300 fb⁻¹, reach squarks and gluinos up to $\sim 2.5 \text{ TeV}$
- (need good understanding of detector and backgrounds!)





QCD rejection and cleanup



QCD rejection:

- MET in QCD is due to mismeasured jets
- Suppression via topological cuts:

$$R_{1,2} = \sqrt{\Delta\Phi_{1,2}^2 + (\pi - \Phi_{2,1})^2} > 0.5$$

$$\text{with } \Delta\Phi_{1,2} = |\Phi_{j1,j2} - \Phi(MET)|$$

i.e. MET is along or opposite jet

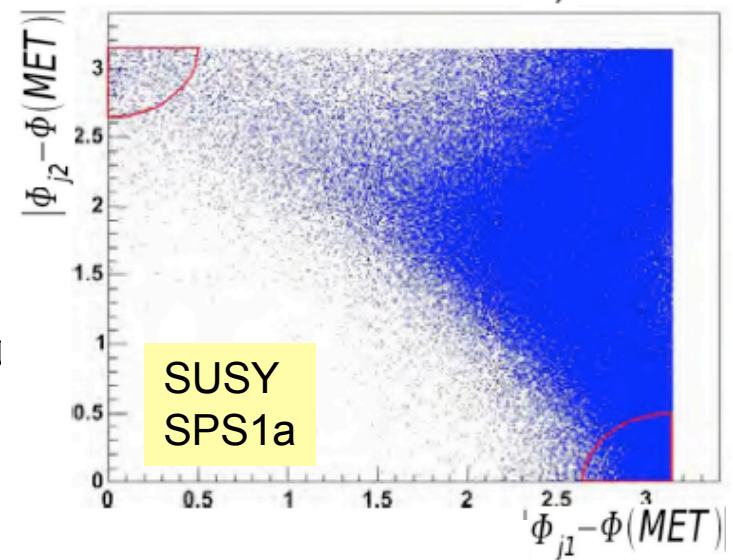
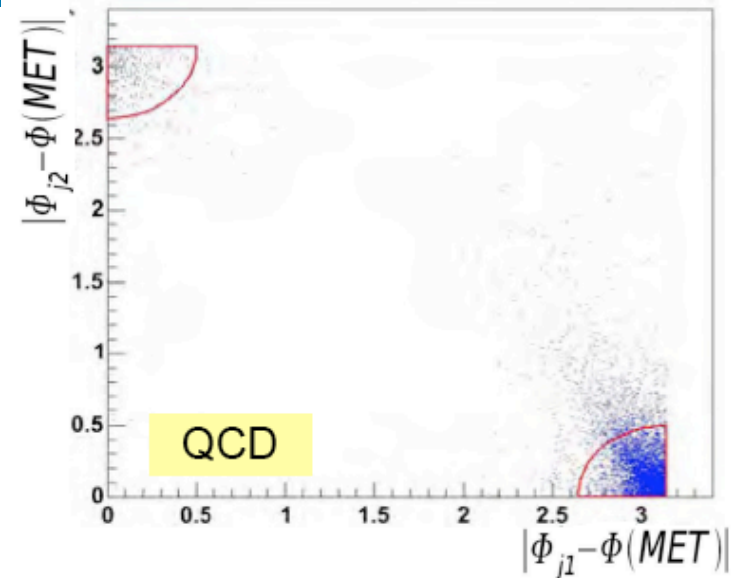
Cleaning against beam halo, cosmics, calo noise:

- good primary vertex

- event electromagnetic fraction: $\frac{\sum_{jets} p_T^j \cdot EMF^j}{\sum p_T^j} > 0.1$

- event charged fraction: $\frac{\sum_{tracks} p_T^t}{p_T^{jet}} > 0.175$

Supersymmetry facing experiment -- 10007



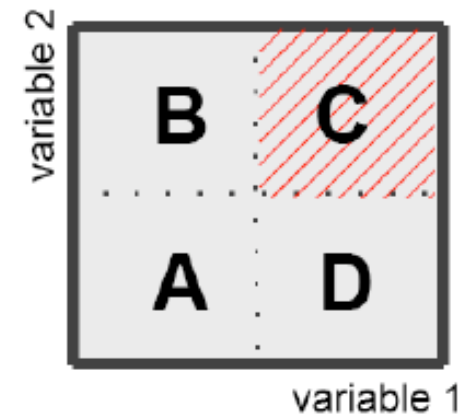
THP Meeting (ETH Zurich)

- previous studies (Physics TDR) estimated backgrounds using Monte Carlo
- now, data-driven methods being explored

- often “ABCD” method used:

Idea:
IF variable 1
and variable 2
are uncorrelated:

$$C = D \cdot \frac{B}{A}$$



Avoid signal contamination in A,B,D

- variables for hadronic search: MET, Rsum, $\Delta\phi(jj)$, $\Delta\phi(\text{hemisphere})$, ...
- variables for leptonic search: lepton isolation, impact parameter, MET, ...
- correlations to be studied



Irreducible: $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$



Data-driven estimation from Z+jets

“standard candle”: use $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$

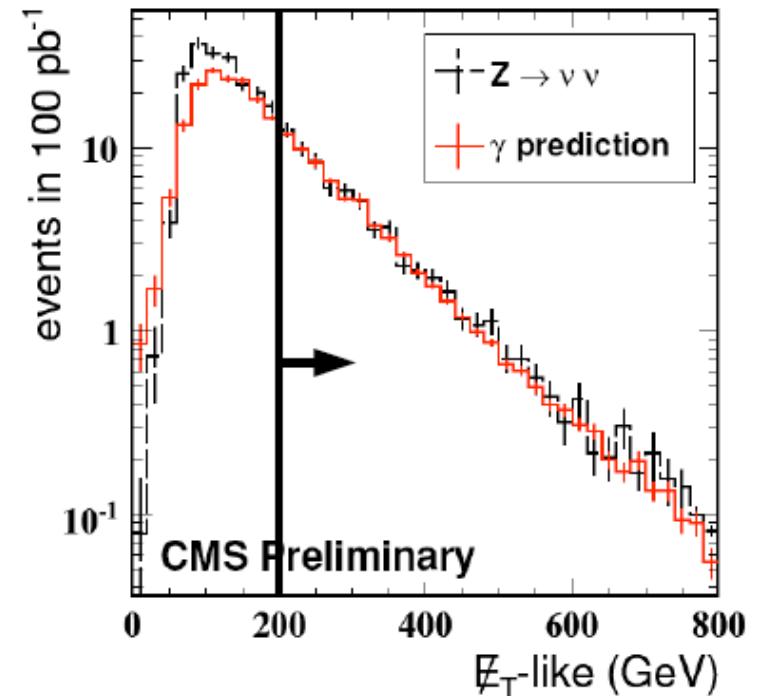
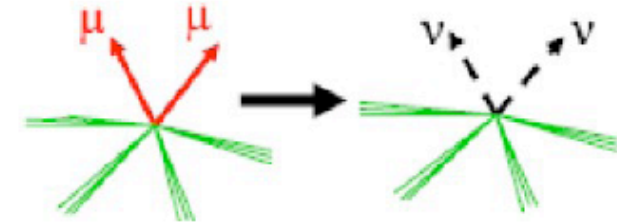
- replace leptons by neutrinos (and correct for acceptance using MC)
 - total uncertainty $\sim 20\%$ for 1fb^{-1} statistics limited:
- $\text{BR}(Z \rightarrow \mu\mu) = 1/6 \text{BR}(Z \rightarrow \nu\nu)$

New: data-driven estimation from W, γ +jets

assumption: bosonic events at high P_t look similar \rightarrow use W, γ +jets

- gain in statistics ($\rightarrow 100\text{pb}^{-1}$ analyses)
 $\sigma(W+2j) = 3 \sigma(Z+2j) = 0.8 \sigma(\gamma+2j)$
- complementary to the above (other backgrounds/other triggers)
- beware of signal contamination

Supersymmetry facing experiment -- Feb 09



$Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$ background estimate (100pb^{-1})	
MC-truth	35
From γ +jets	29 ± 3 (stat) ± 5 (sys)
From W +jets	35 ± 10 (stat) ± 8 (sys) ± 3 (theory)

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New: di-jet + MET



Robust extension of full-hadronic search

Event selection:

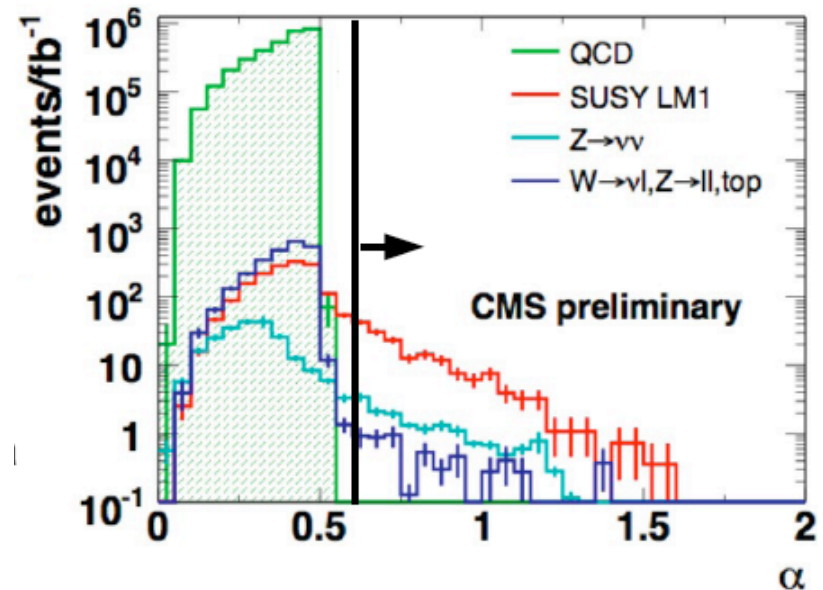
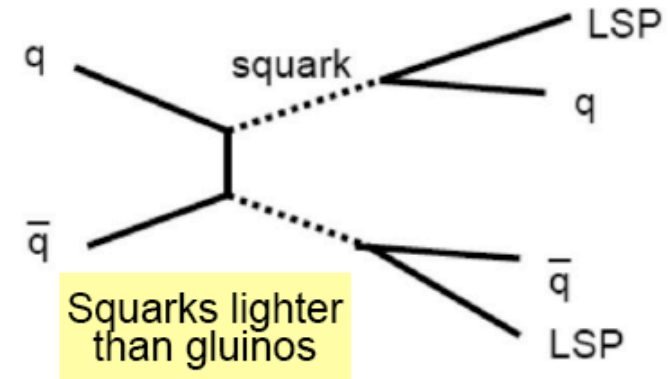
- 2 jets with $P_T > 50$ GeV, lepton veto
- $P_{T,j1} + P_{T,j2} > 500$ GeV
- angular/acceptance cuts for cleaning
- new variable (Randall/Tucker-Smith):

$$\alpha = \frac{E_{T,j2}}{M_{j1j2}} = \frac{E_{T,j2}}{\sqrt{2E_1E_2(1-\cos\theta)}} > 0.55$$

Note:

- calorimetric MET not (directly) used
- dominant backgrounds:
QCD and $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$; estimate from data

SPS1a discovery within 100 pb^{-1}





Lepton + jet + MET

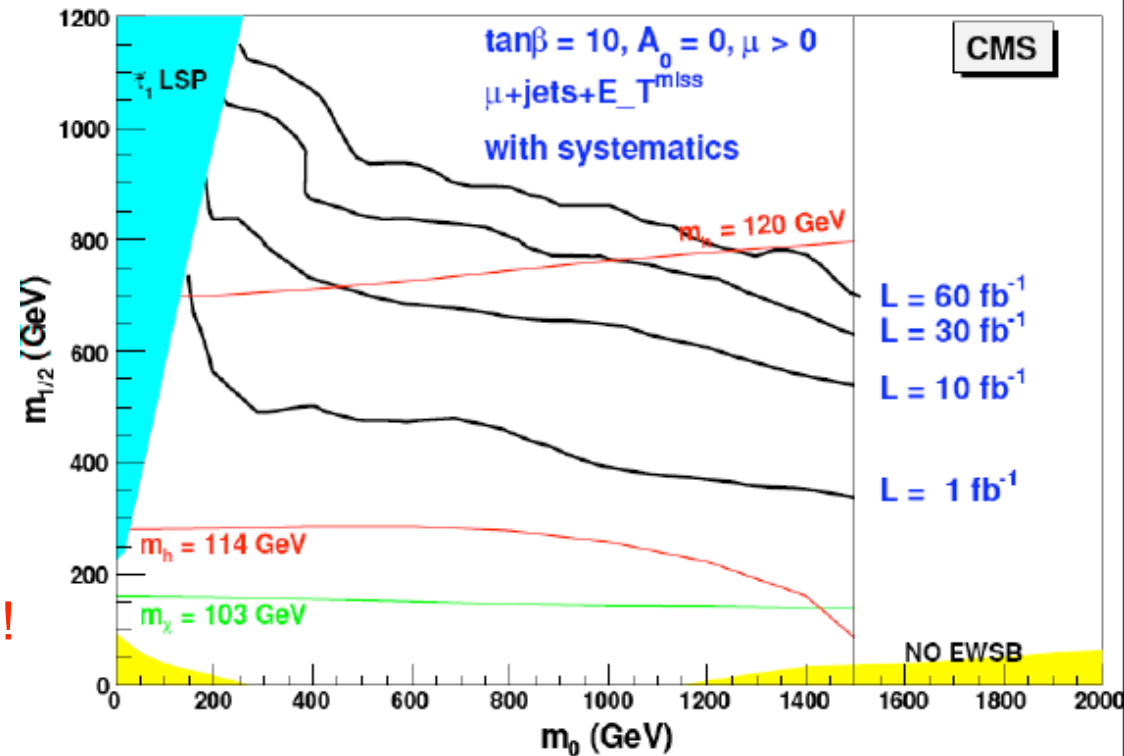


Event selection:

- ≥ 1 isolated muon with $P_T > 30$ GeV
- $E_{T,j1} \ \& \ E_{T,j2} > 440$ GeV, $E_{T,j3} > 50$ GeV
- MET > 130 GeV
- single/di-muon trigger
- angular cuts for MET cleaning

Early SUSY discovery
in leptonic channels possible!

Cut optimization
via genetic
algorithm on 10fb^{-1}

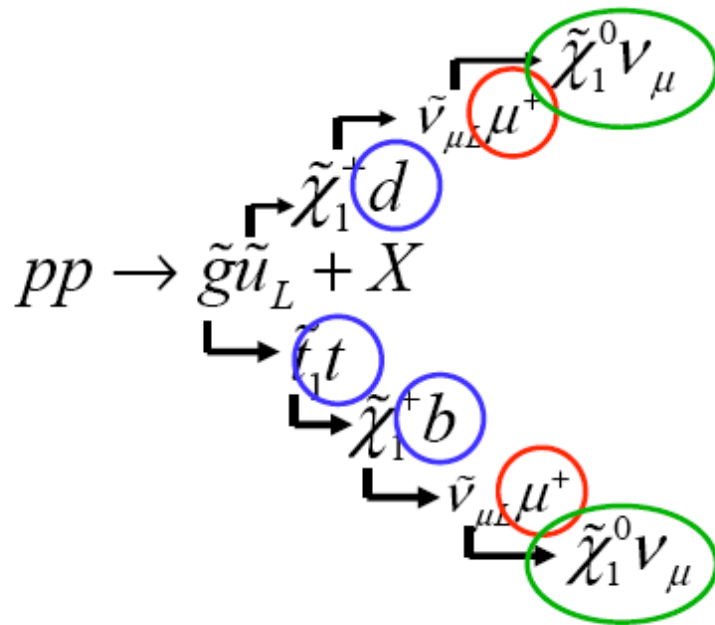




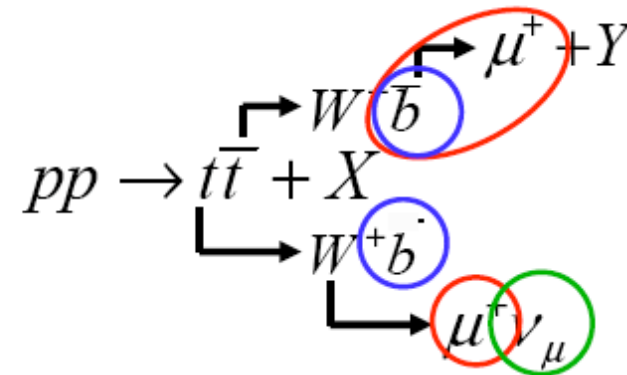
Same-sign dileptons



Signal:



Background:



→ ask for 2 SS leptons + hard jets + E_T^{miss}

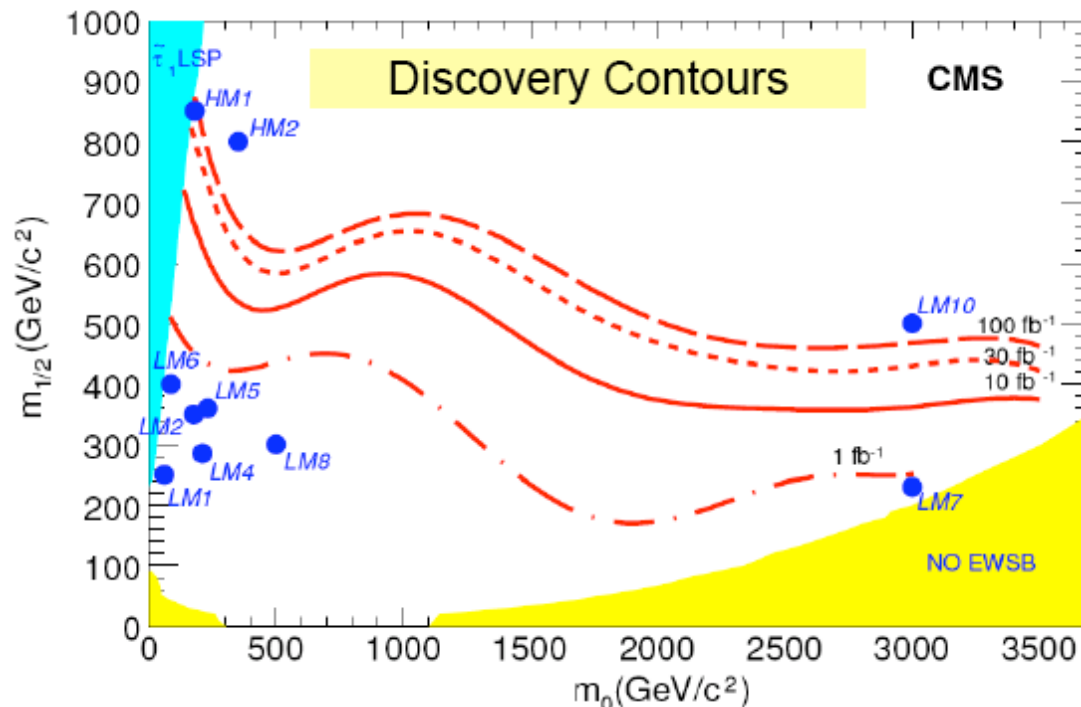


Same-sign leptons + jet + MET



Event selection:

- ≥ 2 isolated same-sign muons with $P_T > 10$ GeV
- ≥ 3 jets with $E_T > 175/130/55$ GeV
- MET > 200 GeV
- single/di-muon trigger



Note:

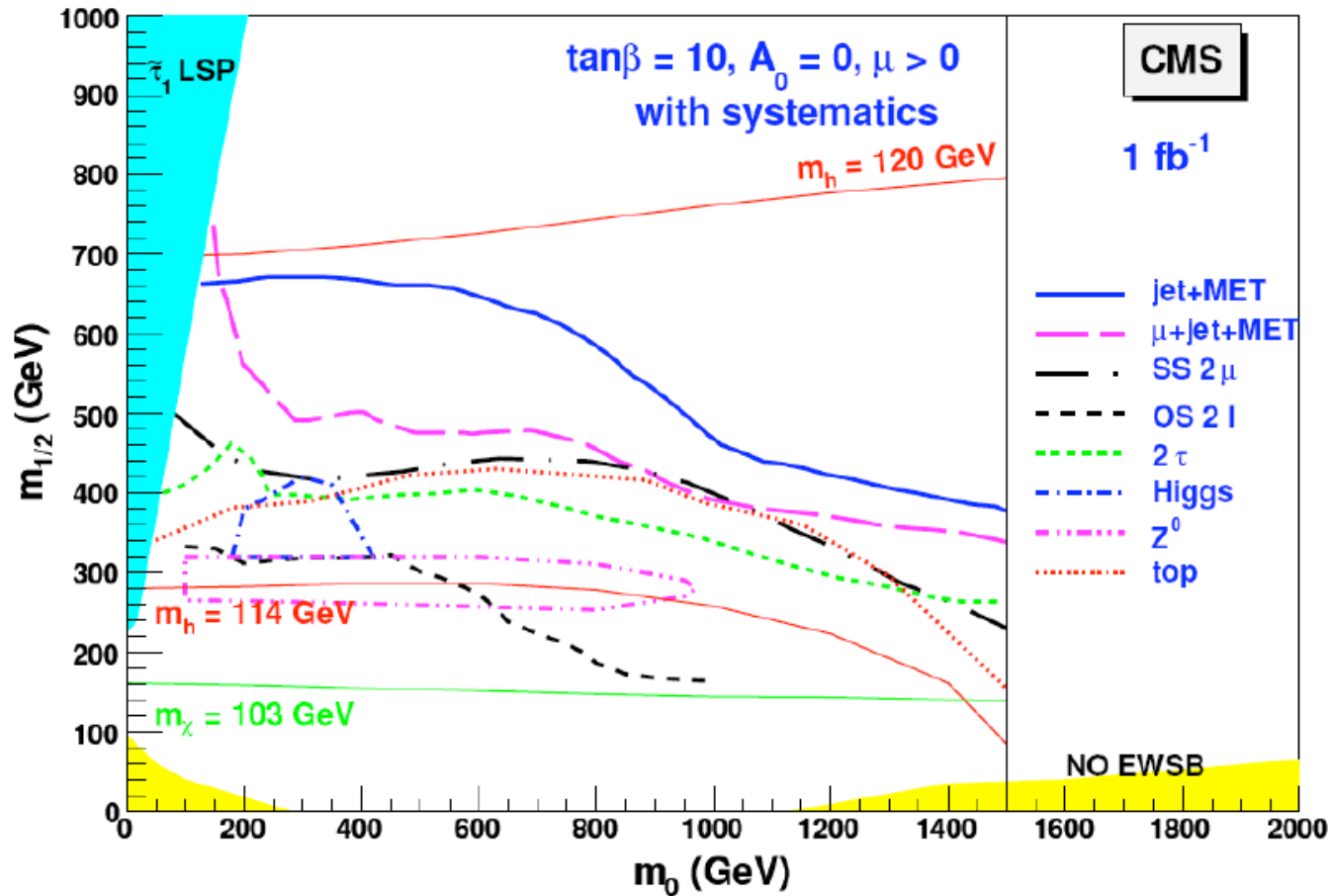
- almost no SM background
 $\sigma(W+W+)$: 17 fb
- muon trigger expected to be most robust at startup
- complementary to hadronic channel



SUSY discovery potential



To summarize: many complementary channels for 1 fb^{-1} :

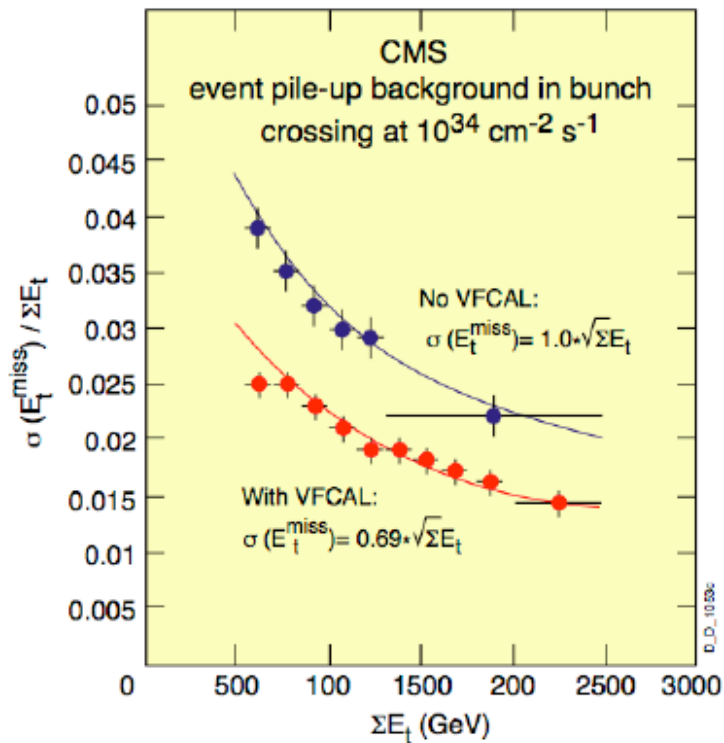




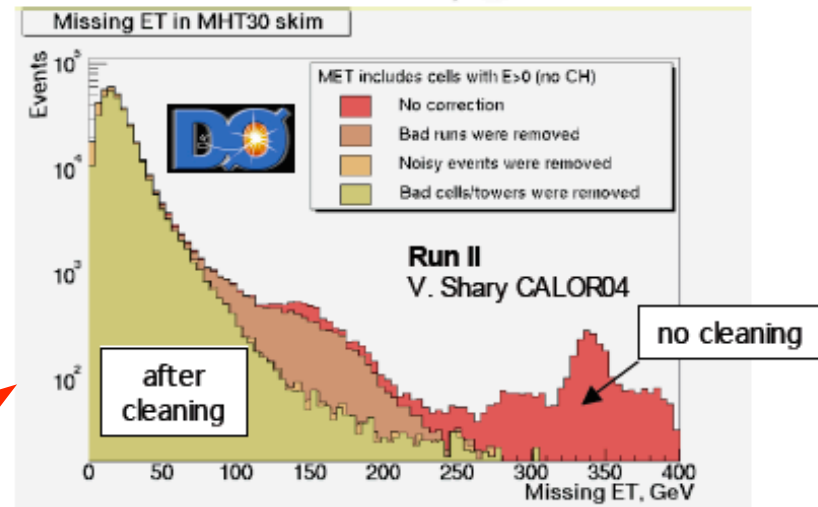
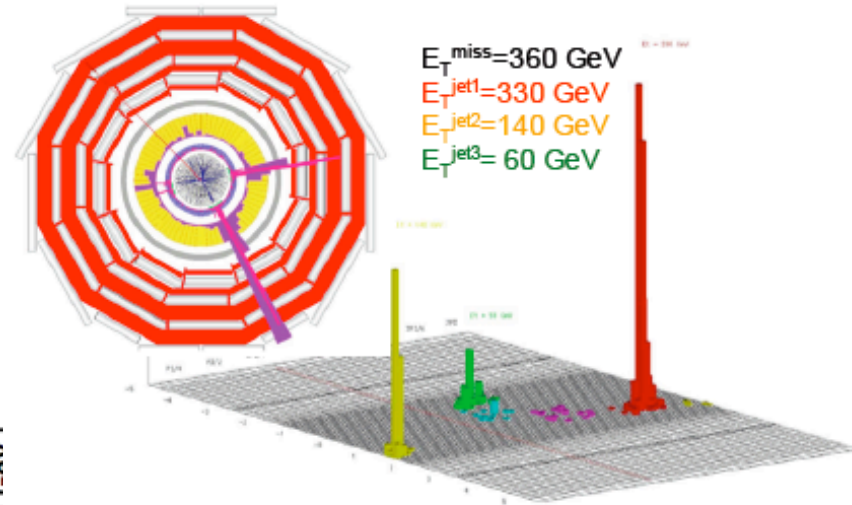
Missing transverse energy



Need large calorimeter coverage and no cracks to avoid "fake" missing- E_T



MET cleaning is important!



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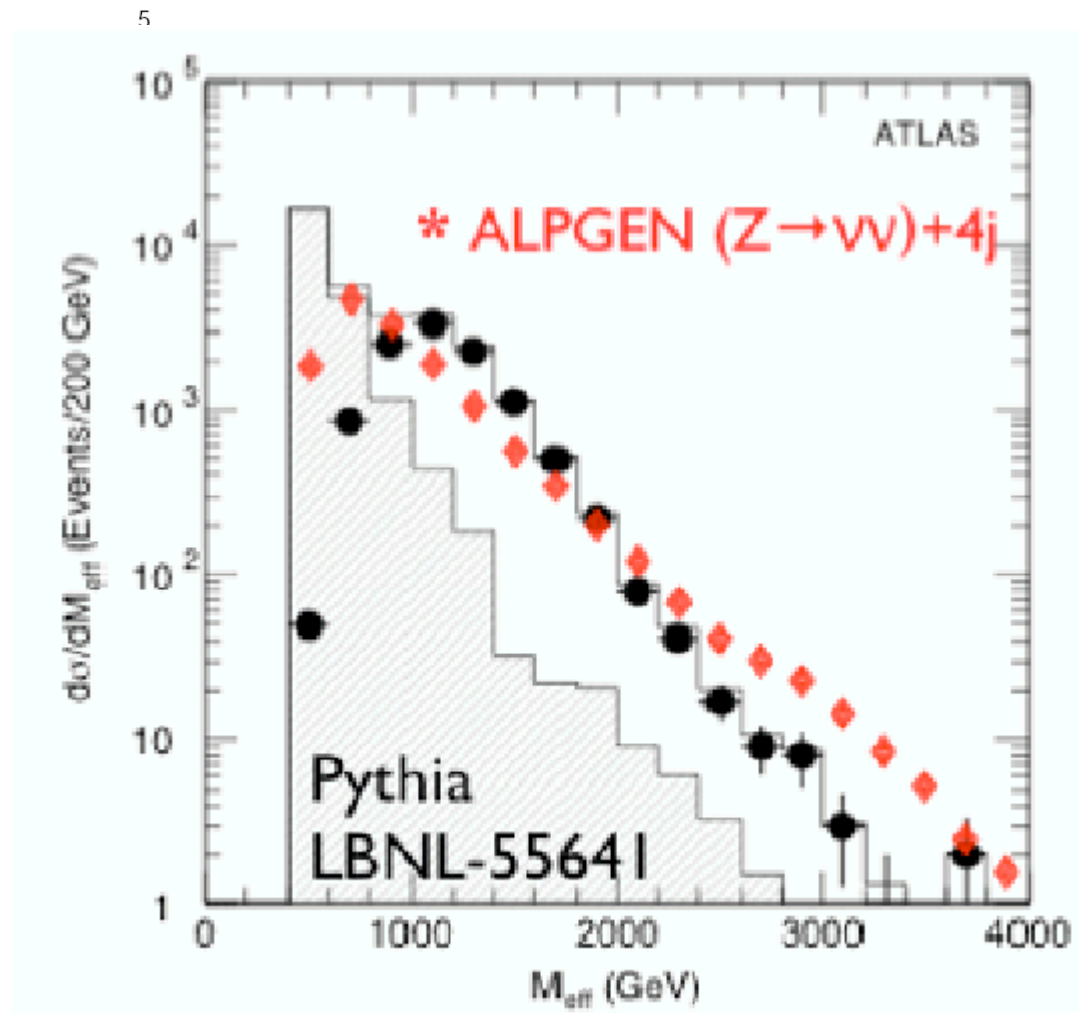
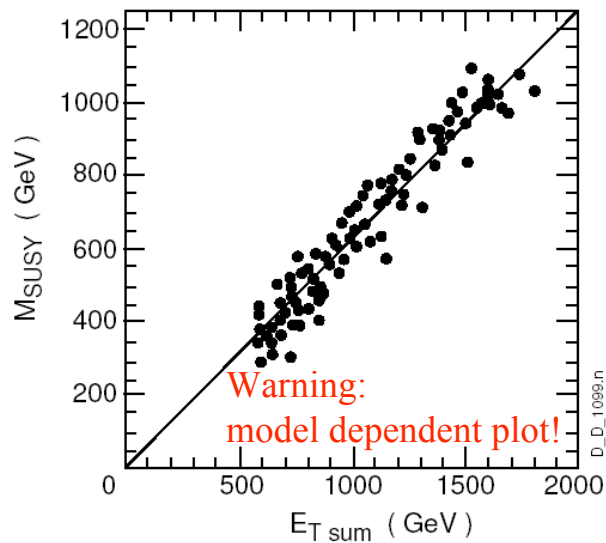


Et sum



Variable that gives information on the “SUSY scale”:

$$E_T^{sum} = E_T^{miss} + \sum_{i=1}^4 p_{T,i}$$





Exclusive final states

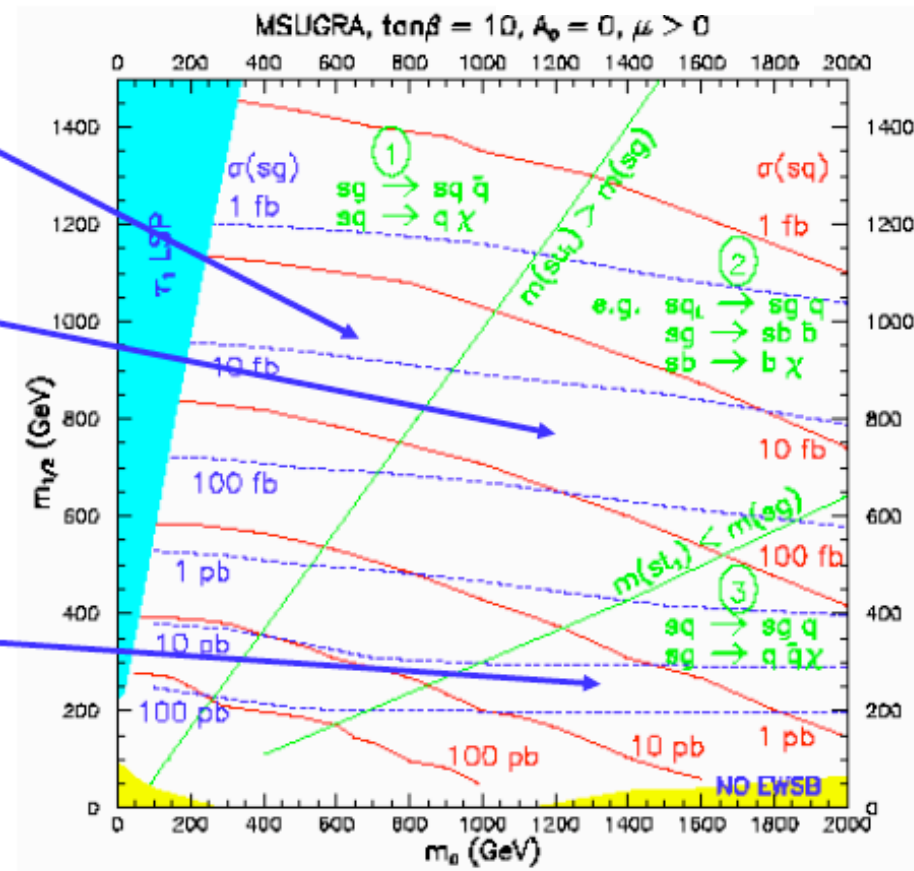


- so far: inclusive measurements
 - fast discovery, but does not unambiguously single out SUSY
- need to reconstruct sparticle decay chains and masses involved
 - need to be prepared for all possible final states
- goal is to measure cross sections, BR's (\rightarrow couplings) and even spin of the sparticles
 - LHC can not only discover SUSY, but also MEASURE its properties (if nature is kind)

■ **Region 1** $m(\tilde{g}) > m(\tilde{q})$
 $\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\bar{q}, \tilde{q} \rightarrow q\chi$

■ **Region 2, e.g.**
 $\tilde{q}_L \rightarrow \tilde{g}q, \tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{b}\bar{b}, \tilde{b} \rightarrow b\chi$

■ **Region 3** $m(\tilde{q}) > m(\tilde{g})$
 $\tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{g}\bar{q}, \tilde{g} \rightarrow q\bar{q}\chi$





Neutralino2 decay signatures



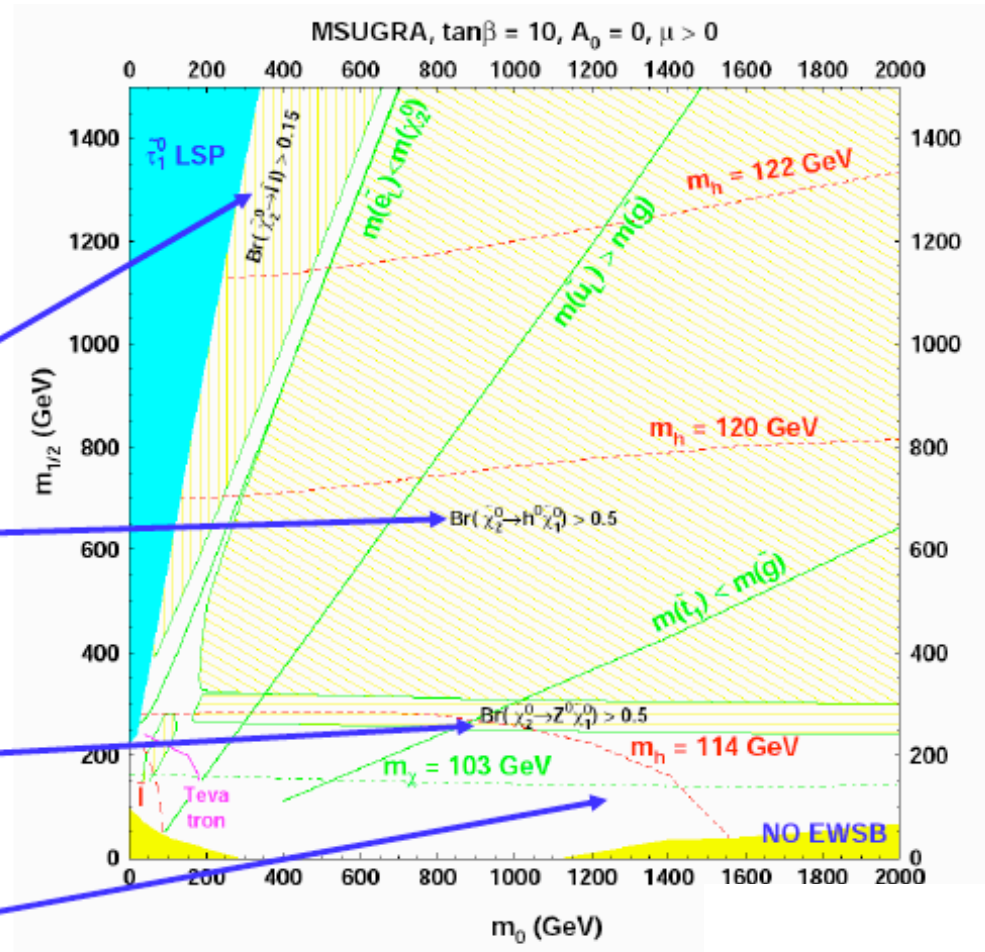
Significant fraction of $\tilde{q} \rightarrow q\chi_2^0$

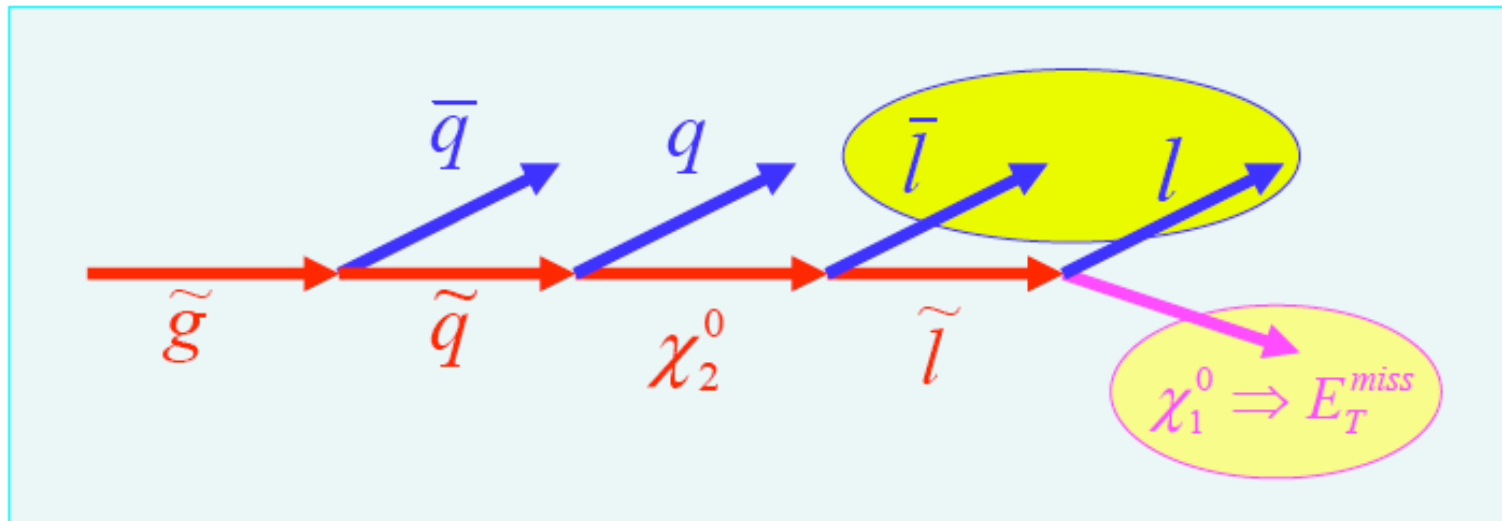
$$\chi_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{l}^\pm l^\mp$$

$$\chi_2^0 \rightarrow h^0 \chi_1^0$$

$$\chi_2^0 \rightarrow Z^0 \chi_1^0$$

$$\chi_2^0 \rightarrow l^+ l^- \chi_1^0$$





- Final state:
- 2 high p_t isolated leptons
 - 2 high p_t jets
 - missing E_t



Kinematic endpoints



Kinematic endpoint technique:

construct lepton/quark upper/lower endpoints
and relate them to the masses in the decay chain

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{E.g.: } \tilde{q} \rightarrow \chi_2^0 q \\ \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \\ \quad \quad \quad \tilde{\ell}^\pm \ell^\mp \rightarrow \chi_1^0 \ell^+ \ell^- \end{array}$$

4 unknown masses: $M_{\tilde{q}}, M_{\chi_2^0}, M_{\tilde{\ell}}, M_{\chi_1^0}$

4 endpoints: $M(\ell\ell)^{\max}, M(\ell\ell q)^{\max}, M(\ell\ell q)^{\max}, M(\ell\ell q)^{\max}$

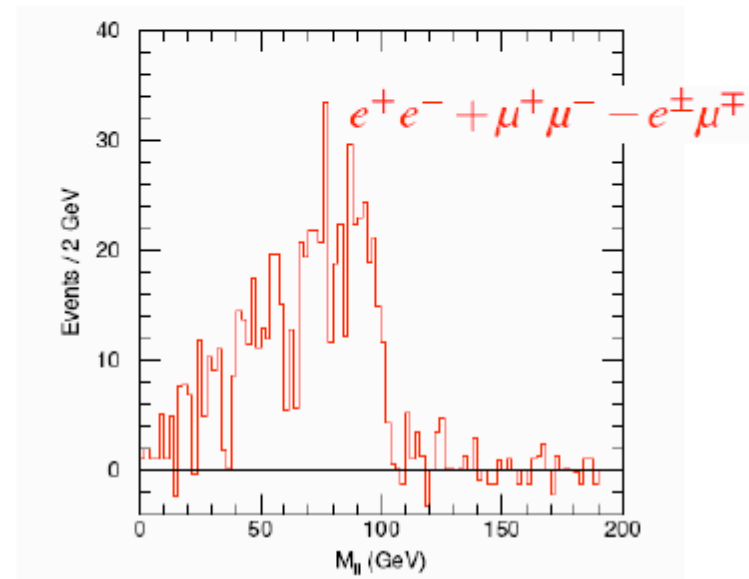
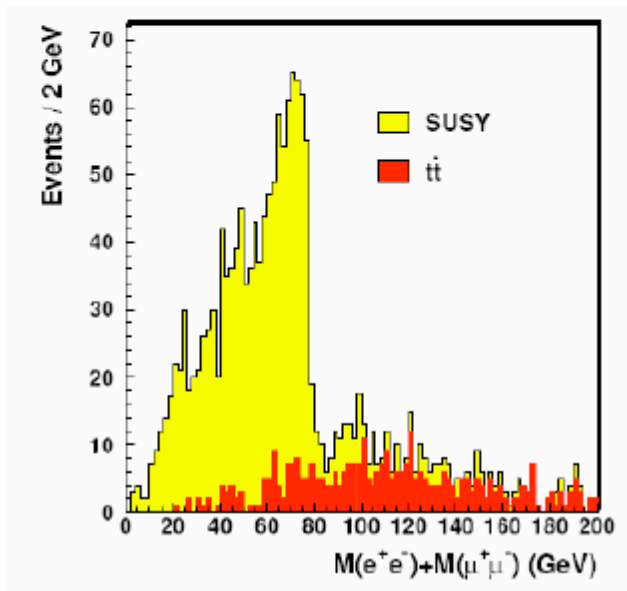
→ all masses can be determined

Usually non-linear relations → all masses, not just differences

Extra endpoints, or start from gluino → constraints

- **M(II):** very sharp end point,
triangular shape (due to spinless slepton)

$$M_{ll}^{\max} = M_{\chi_2^0} \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{M_{\tilde{l}}^2}{M_{\chi_2^0}^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{M_{\chi_1^0}^2}{M_{\tilde{l}}^2}\right)}$$





Opposite-sign dileptons



- Also use shape information!
- Fit shape + endpoint: $m_{\ell\ell}^{max} = m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} \sqrt{1 - \frac{m_{\tilde{\ell}_R}^2}{m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2}} \sqrt{1 - \frac{m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2}{m_{\tilde{\ell}_R}^2}}$
- Data-driven background estimate: tt and diboson background from eμ data (BR(ee)=1/2 BR(eμ))

$$\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \ell^\pm \ell^\mp \tilde{\chi}_1^0$$

- Unbinned fit to data (7 parameters):

$$F(m) = N_{sig}S(m) + N_{bkg}B(m) + N_Z Z(m)$$

Signal Model

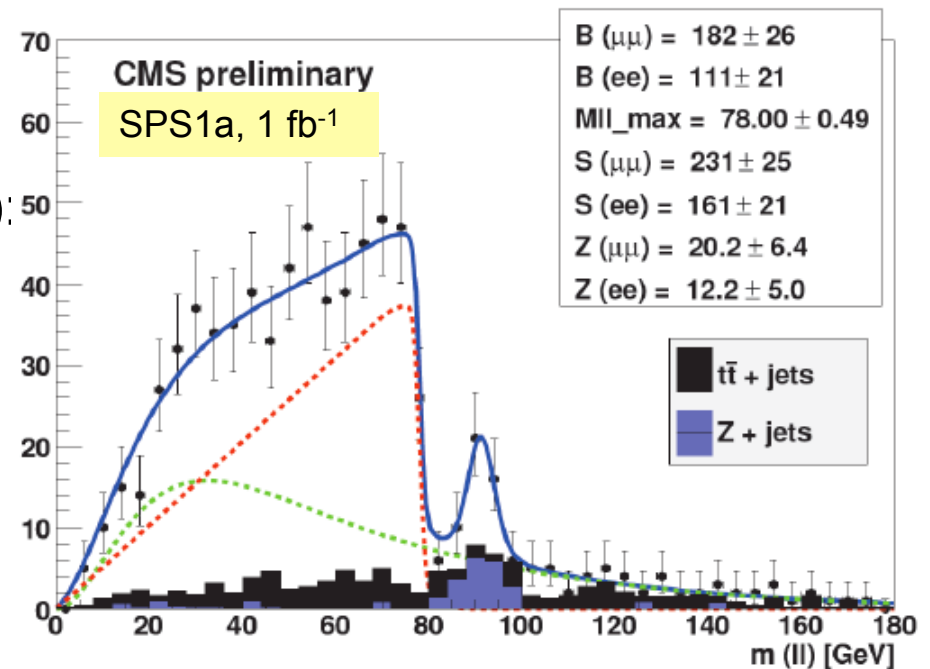
Bkg from data

Z peak



$$\Delta m_{ee}^{max} = \pm 1.07(stat.) \pm 0.36(syst.) GeV$$

$$\Delta m_{\mu\mu}^{max} = \pm 0.75(stat.) \pm 0.18(syst.) GeV$$



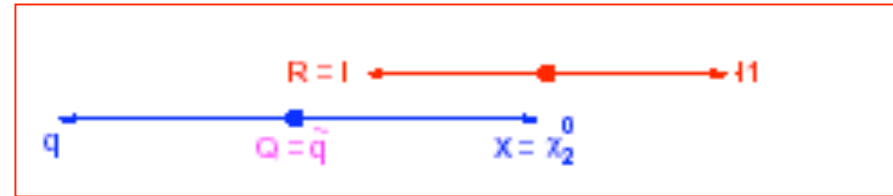


Final states with dileptons (2)



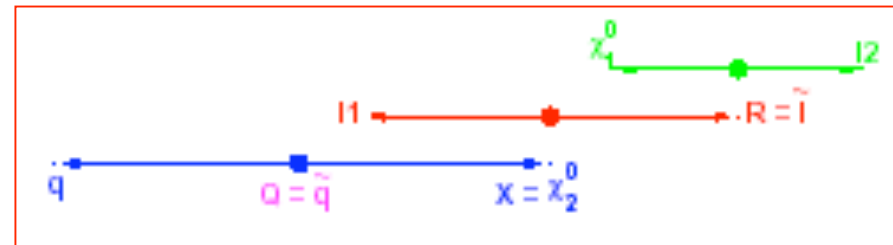
- **M(l1q):**

$$M_{l1q}^{\max} = M_{\tilde{q}} \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{M_{\chi_2^0}^2}{M_{\tilde{q}}^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{M_{\tilde{l}}^2}{M_{\chi_2^0}^2}\right)}$$



- **M(l2q):**

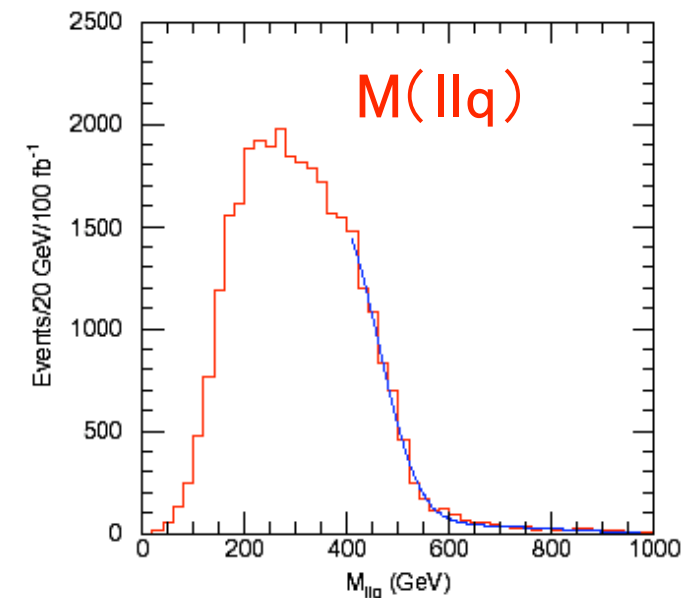
$$M_{l2q}^{\max} = M_{\tilde{q}} \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{M_{\chi_2^0}^2}{M_{\tilde{q}}^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{M_{\chi_1^0}^2}{M_{\tilde{l}}^2}\right)}$$



→ Can distinguish $M(l1q)^{\max}$ from $M(l2q)^{\max}$

- **M(llq):**

$$M_{llq}^{\max} = M_{\tilde{q}} \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{M_{\chi_2^0}^2}{M_{\tilde{q}}^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{M_{\chi_1^0}^2}{M_{\chi_2^0}^2}\right)}$$





Glino reconstruction

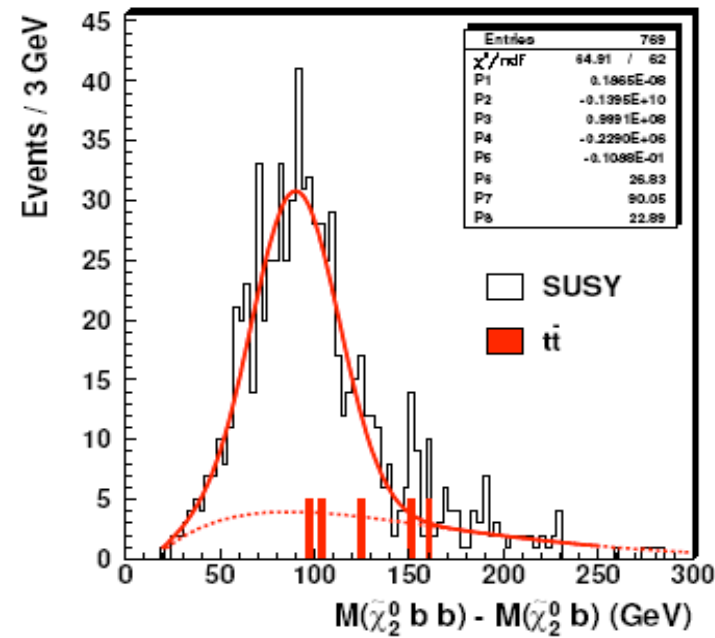
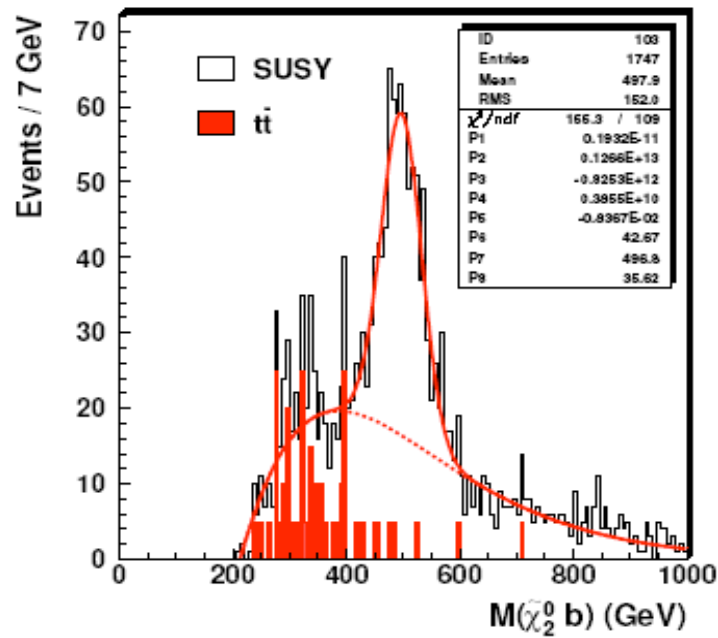


Choose dilepton pairs close to the edge; then

$$\vec{p}_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} \approx (1 + M_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} / M_{\ell\ell}) \vec{p}_{\ell\ell}$$

assuming $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ can be at rest in the frame of $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$

→ can reconstruct $M_{\tilde{q}}$ and $M_{\tilde{g}} - M_{\tilde{q}}$

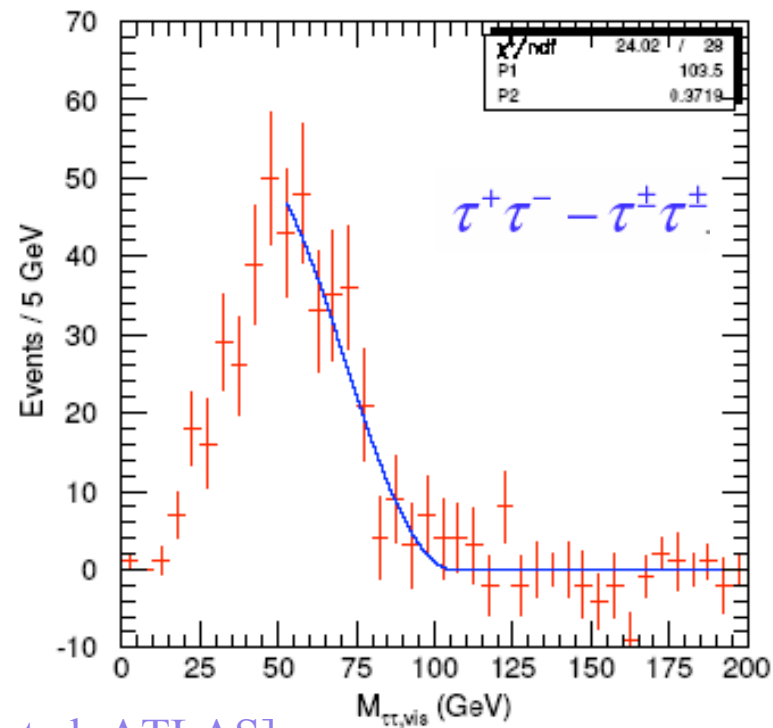
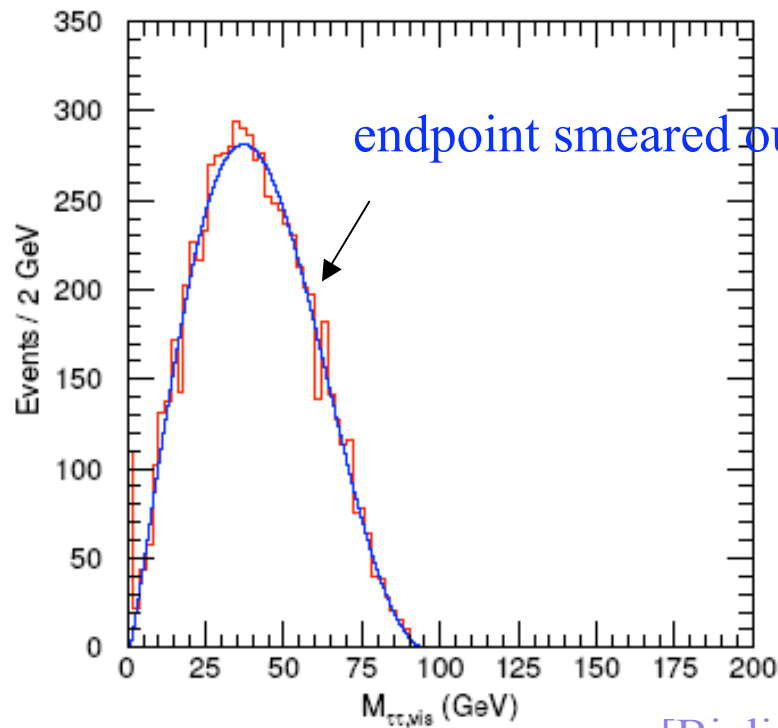




Final state with taus



- often $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$ decays to taus instead of electrons/muons
- can we use hadronic tau final states?



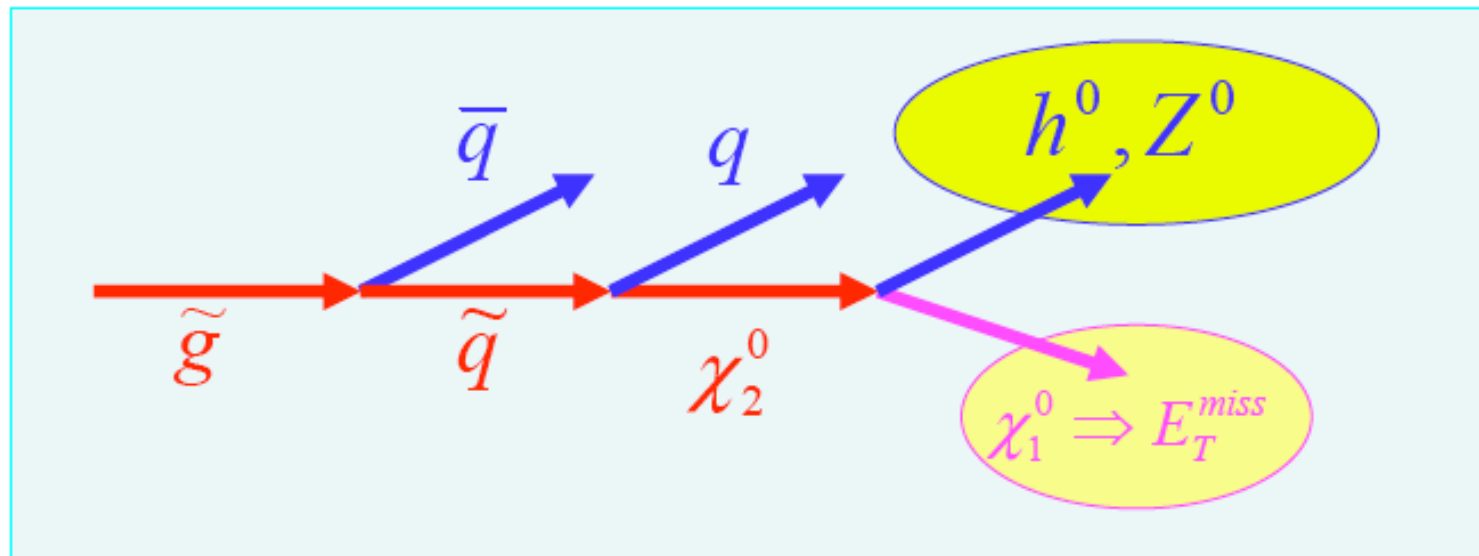
[Biglietti et al, ATLAS]

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Decay chain to h^0 or Z^0

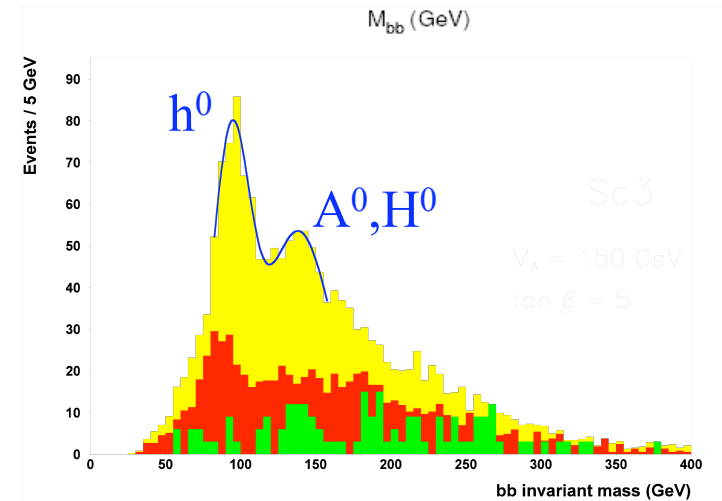
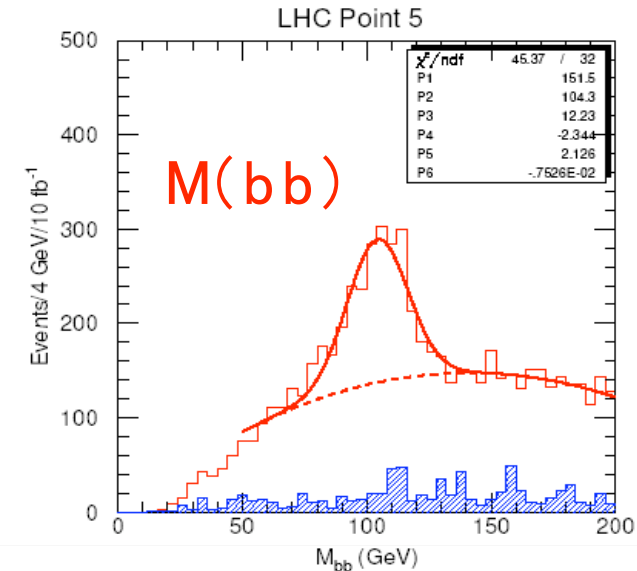




Final states with h^0 or Z^0



- Higgs peak can be reconstructed from 2 b-jets
 - could be a h^0 discovery channel ! (even for light H^0 and A^0)
- Z^0 reconstructed from di-lepton decay
- Decay chain is shorter than for di-leptons →
e.g. start from gluino
 $M(q_1 h^0), M(q_2 h^0), M(qq), M(qq h^0)$
to determine 4 masses





GMSB signatures



In GMSB, the light gravitino
is the LSP

→ Who is NLSP?

- Neutralino is NLSP

$$\chi_1^0 \rightarrow \gamma + \tilde{G}$$

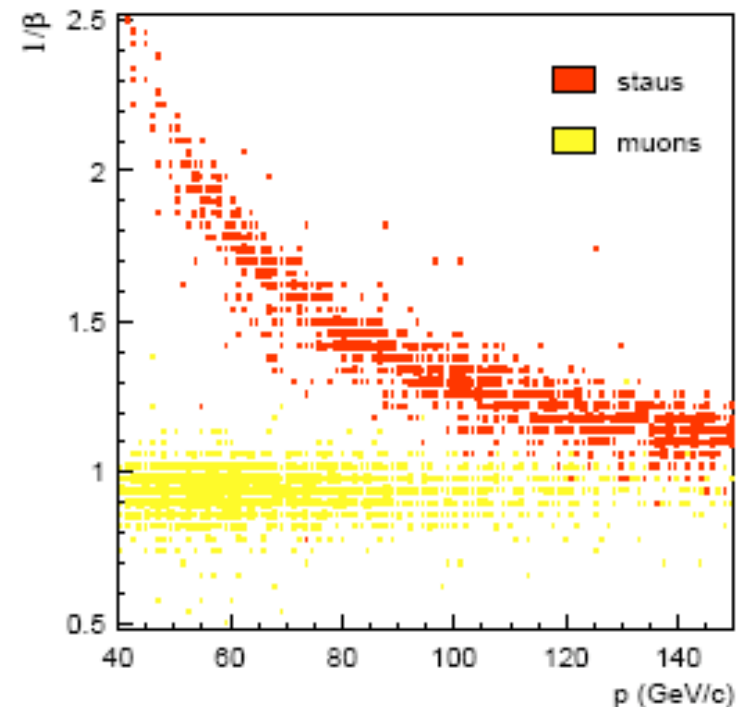
- Stau is NLSP

$$\tilde{\tau}_1 \rightarrow \tau + \tilde{G}$$

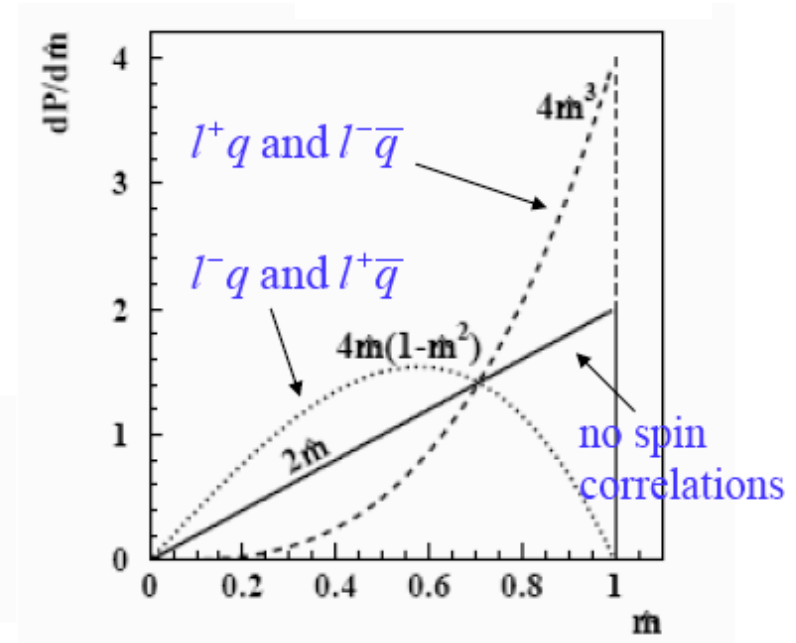
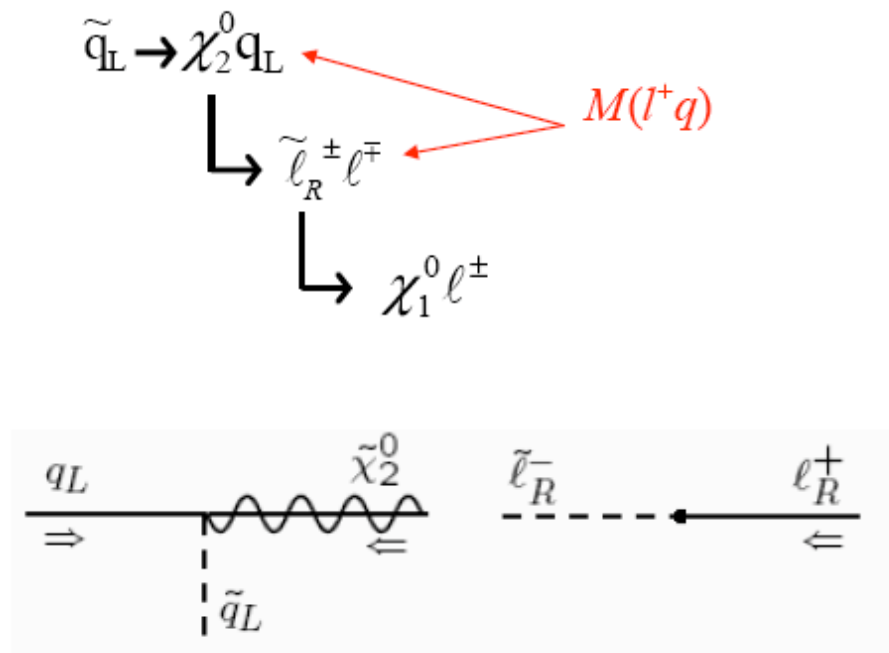
→ $E_T^{\text{miss}} + \gamma$, τ or long-lived
particles

→ dE/dx and TOF

TOF measurement in the CMS muon DT's



Make use of spin correlations in decay of squark:





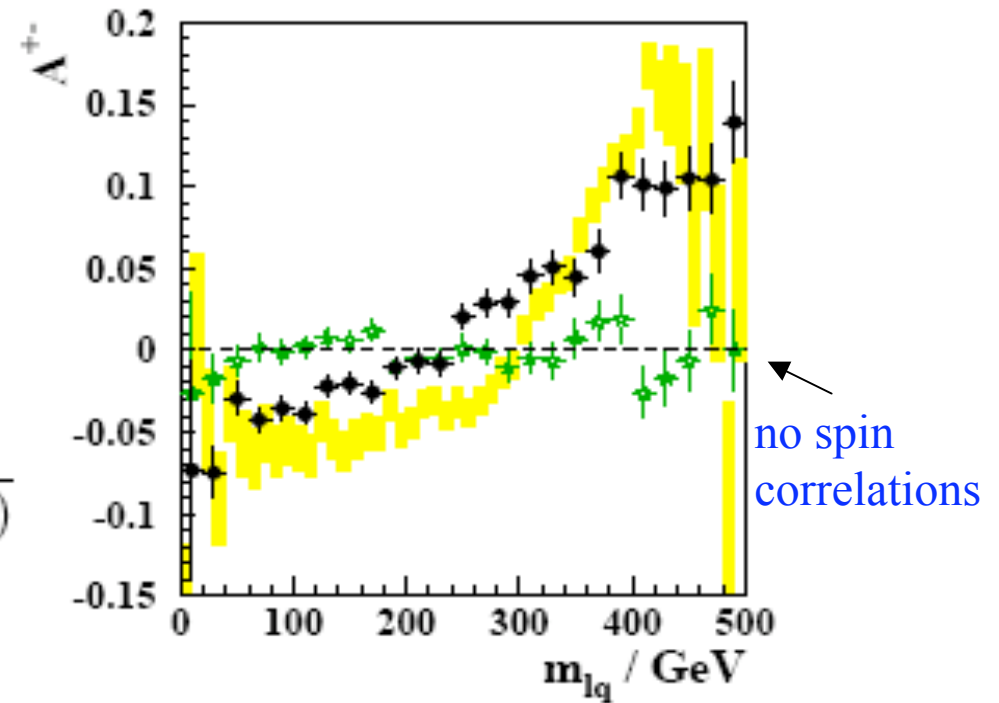
SUSY spin measurements (2)



washes out for antisquarks, but
in pp colliders \rightarrow more squarks produced than antisquarks

\rightarrow Visible asymmetry:
(500 fb^{-1})

$$A^{+-} \equiv \frac{s^+ - s^-}{s^+ + s^-}, \quad \text{where} \quad s^\pm = \frac{d\sigma}{d(m_{l\pm q})}$$





Higgs searches



Lecture 2b:

- reminder of MSSM Higgs phenomenology
- existing experimental limits on Higgs bosons
- Higgs searches at the LHC
- (ongoing Tevatron searches ...)



Where are the masses?



Problem with the SM: **all particles are massless**. Introduction of mass terms ruins the gauge invariance. Oops.

Solution proposed by Brout-Englert-Higgs:

- assume the existence of a scalar field that pervades the universe
- particles interacting with this field acquire mass – the stronger the interaction, the larger the mass
- the particle associated with the Higgs field is the **Higgs boson**



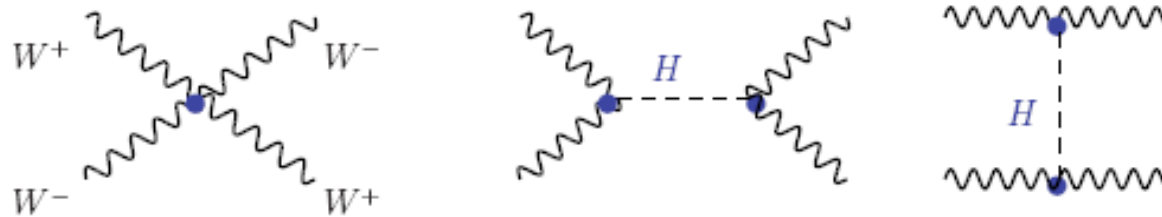
Argument 2 for extra “scalar”



Other – independent – argument for a new (effectively) scalar particle:

$$\sigma (W^+W^- \rightarrow W^+W^-) \text{ diverges with energy!}$$

We need something to cancel the divergence: scalar particle H



$$A(W^+W^- \rightarrow W^+W^-) \xrightarrow{s \gg M_W^2} \frac{1}{v^2} \left[s + t - \frac{s^2}{s - M_H^2} - \frac{t^2}{t - M_H^2} \right]$$



Upper bound on scalar mass



In order not to violate unitarity, in the previous formula:

$$M_H \lesssim 870 \text{ GeV}$$

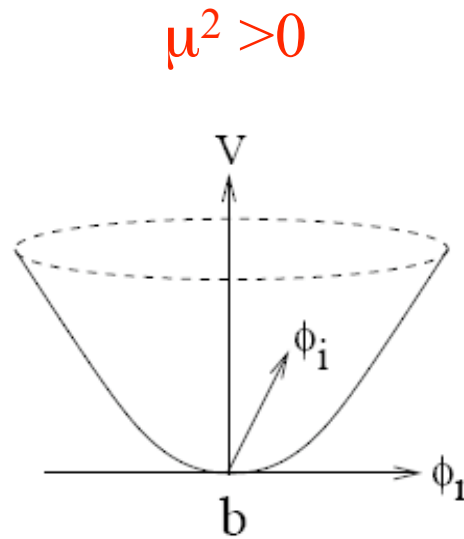
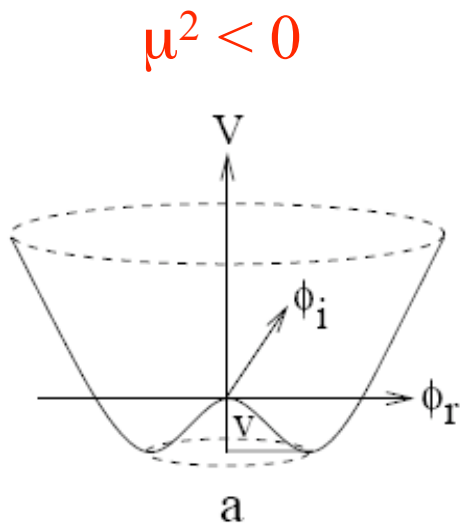
This argument lead to the minimum physics requirement for a post-LEP collider:

The next accelerator must be able to produce particles up to a mass of $\sim 1 \text{ TeV}$

1964: Higgs, Englert and Brout propose to add a complex scalar doublet field to the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = (\partial^\mu \phi^\dagger)(\partial_\mu \phi) - \mu^2 |\phi|^2 - \lambda |\phi|^4$$

EWSB if μ^2 negative!



$$\rightarrow m_W = \frac{1}{2} g v \quad (v^2 = \frac{\mu^2}{\lambda})$$

$$m_Z = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{g^2 + g'^2} v$$

$$m_\gamma = 0.$$

and one extra boson with

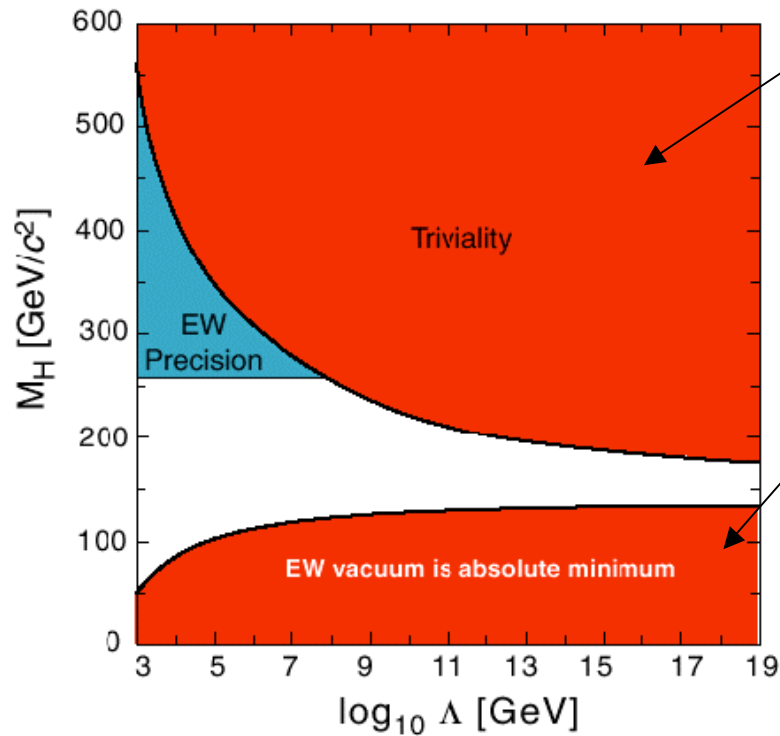
$$m_H^2 = -\mu^2$$



Higgs mass limits from theory



The triviality (upper) bound and vacuum stability (lower) bound as function of the cut-off scale Λ



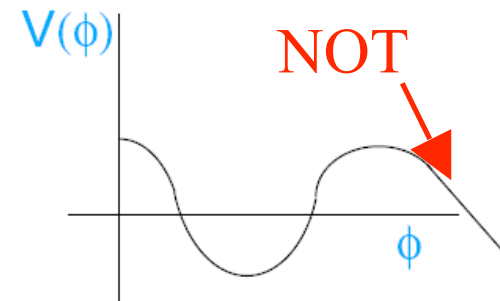
“triviality” :

Higgs self-coupling remains finite

$$\lambda(Q^2) = \frac{\lambda(Q_0^2)}{1 - \lambda(Q_0^2)/16\pi^2 \log(Q^2/Q_0^2)}$$

“vacuum stability” :

Higgs potential has a stable minimum





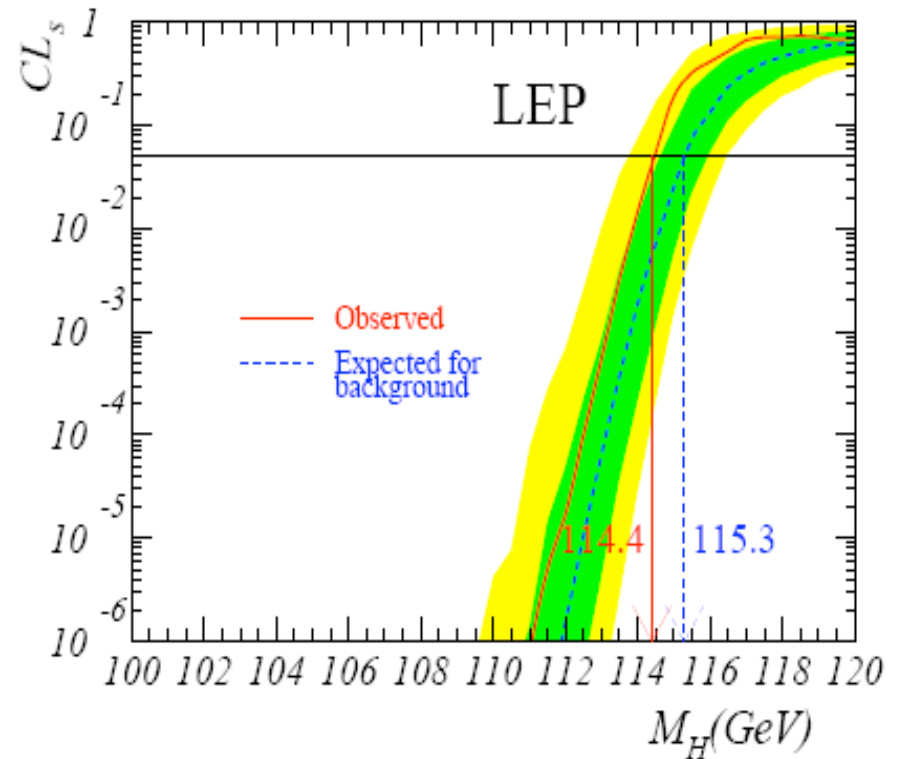
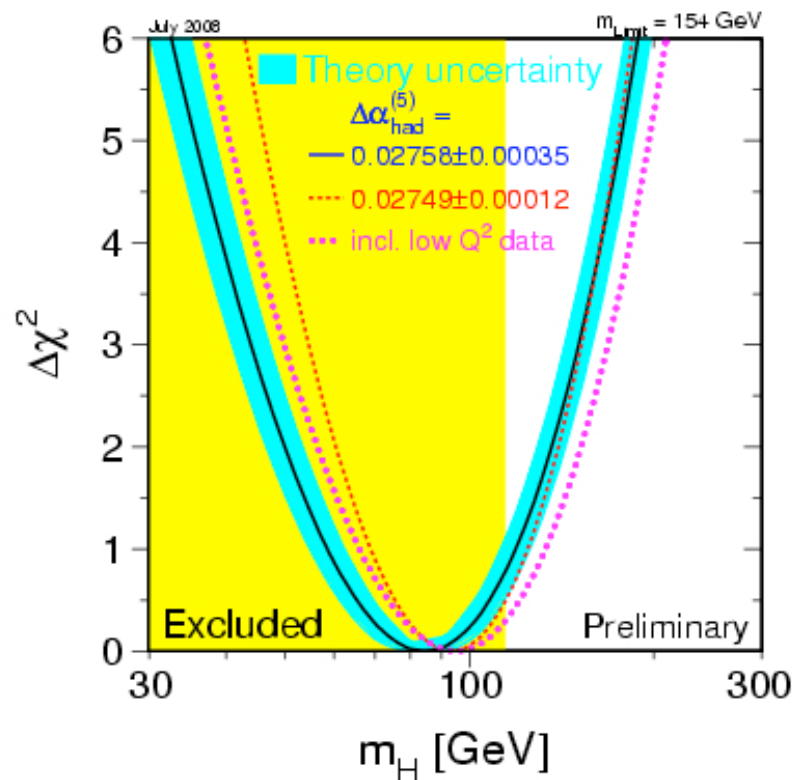
Experimental Higgs mass limits



Experiment

Indirect constraints from precision data:

Direct limit from LEP2:





Higgs in MSSM



- In MSSM: 2 Higgs doublets needed
 - to cancel the gauge anomaly (due to higgsinos)
 - to give mass to both up and down type fermions
- 2 Higgs fields \rightarrow 8 degrees of freedom
 - 3 are used to make W^\pm and Z^0 massive
 - MSSM contains 5 physical Higgs states

$$H_d = \begin{pmatrix} H_d^0 \\ H_d^- \end{pmatrix} \quad H_u = \begin{pmatrix} H_u^+ \\ H_u^0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\tan \beta = \frac{\langle H_u^0 \rangle}{\langle H_d^0 \rangle}$$

- 2 charged scalars H^\pm

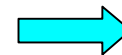
Mixture of H_d^- and H_u^+ , fixed by $\tan\beta$

- 1 neutral CP-odd A^0

Mixture of $\text{Im}(H_d^0)$ and $\text{Im}(H_u^0)$, fixed by $\tan\beta$

- 2 neutral CP-even h^0 and H^0

Mixture of $\text{Re}(H_d^0)$ and $\text{Re}(H_u^0)$, with mixing angle α



MSSM Higgs bosons:
 h^0, H^0, A^0, H^\pm



Radiative EWSB



Radiative EWSB

All parameters RG evolve, however. In detail, this is a complicated system of differential equations. But schematically, at 1-loop:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dg}{dt} &\sim \frac{1}{16\pi^2} g^3 \\ \frac{dy}{dt} &\sim \frac{1}{16\pi^2} [g^2 y - y^3] \\ \frac{dM}{dt} &\sim \frac{1}{16\pi^2} g^2 M \\ \frac{dA}{dt} &\sim \frac{1}{16\pi^2} [-g^2 M - y^2 A] \\ \frac{dm^2}{dt} &\sim \frac{1}{16\pi^2} [g^2 M^2 - y^2 A^2 - y^2 m^2] \end{aligned}$$

where $t \equiv \ln(Q_0/Q)$, and *positive* numerical coefficients have been neglected.

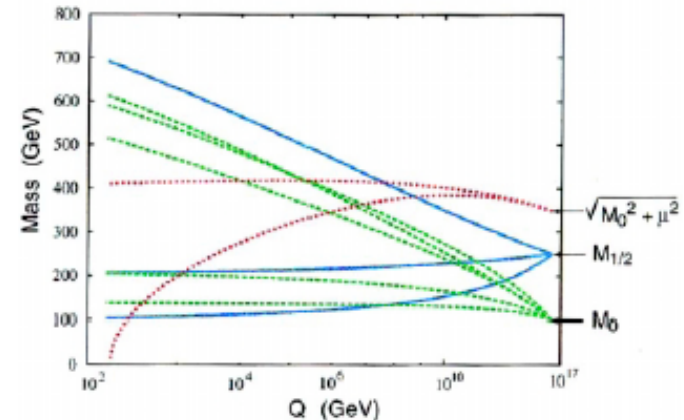
Gauge interactions raise m^2 , Yukawa interactions lower m^2 .

Recall

$$\mathcal{L} \supset y_{ij}^u \hat{H}_u \hat{Q}_i \hat{U}_j + y_{ij}^d \hat{H}_d \hat{Q}_i \hat{D}_j + y_{ij}^e \hat{H}_d \hat{L}_i \hat{E}_j$$

Top Yukawa coupling enters RGE for H_u but not for H_d . The heavy top quark drives $m_{H_u}^2$ negative.

Example RG trajectories:



Squarks/sleptons (green), gauginos (blue), Higgses (red)



Higgs mass at tree level



- From scalar potential, tree level masses are:

$$m_{H^\pm}^2 = M_W^2 + m_A^2$$

$$m_{H,h}^2 = \frac{1}{2}(m_A^2 + M_Z^2) \pm \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{(m_A^2 + M_Z^2)^2 - 4m_A^2 M_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta}$$

- Higgs masses depend on only 2 parameters: m_A and $\tan\beta$

- $\tan\beta \rightarrow 1$: $m_h=0$, $m_{H^\pm}^2=M_Z^2+m_A^2$
 - $\tan\beta \rightarrow \infty$: m_h , $m_{H^0}=\min, \max(M_Z, m_A)$

from b/t yukawa couplings:

$$1.2 \leq \tan \beta \leq 65$$

- Mass hierarchy at tree level:

- $0 \leq m_h \leq M_Z |\cos 2\beta|$
 - $m_h \leq m_A \leq m_{H^0}$
 - $m_{H^0} \geq M_Z$
 - $m_{H^\pm} \geq M_W$

- Expect light $h^0 \rightarrow$ observable at LEP2

But radiative corrections are large, especially on m_h



Higgs mass radiative corrections



- Top loop corrections: 1-loop leading log approximation

$$\Delta(m_h^2) = \frac{3m_t^4}{4\pi^2 v^2} \ln\left(\frac{m_{\tilde{t}_1} m_{\tilde{t}_2}}{m_t^2}\right)$$

- Introduces a dependence on top and stop masses
- More accurate calculation: also on stop mixing $X_t = A_t - \mu \cot\beta$

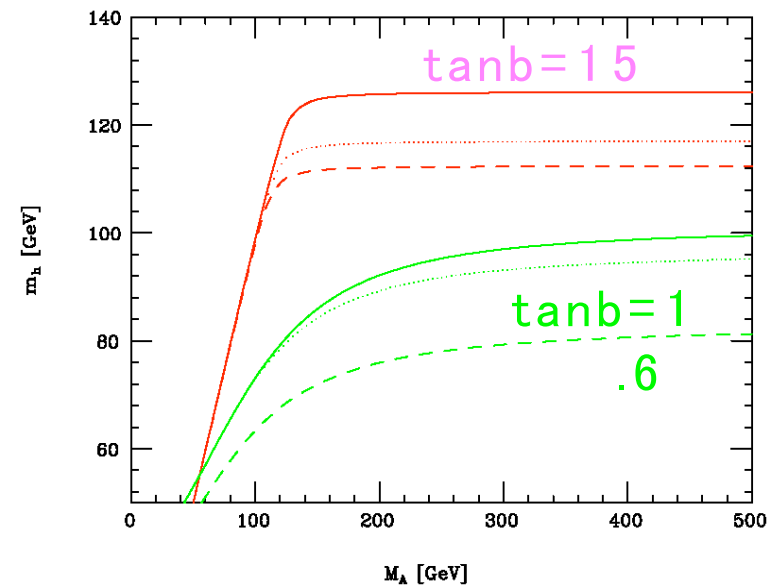
- In MSSM, m_h^0 has upper bound

- Increases with $\tan\beta$
- Increases from $\min X_t/M_{\text{SUSY}}=0$
To $\max (X_t/M_{\text{SUSY}})^2=6$

$$m_h \leq 130 \text{ GeV}$$

(for $M_{\text{SUSY}} = 1 \text{ TeV}$, $m_t = 175 \text{ GeV}$)

→ Lower than preferred SM range





MSSM Higgs sector



- MSSM contains 2 Higgs doublets, therefore 5 physical Higgs states: h^0, H^0, A^0, H^\pm

$\underbrace{h^0, H^0, A^0}_{\sim \text{degenerate in mass for high } m_A}$
→ looks like H_{SM} (but $m_h < 130 \text{ GeV}$)

- masses & couplings depend at tree level only on 2 parameters, say m_A & $\tan\beta$: $(1 < \tan\beta < 60)$

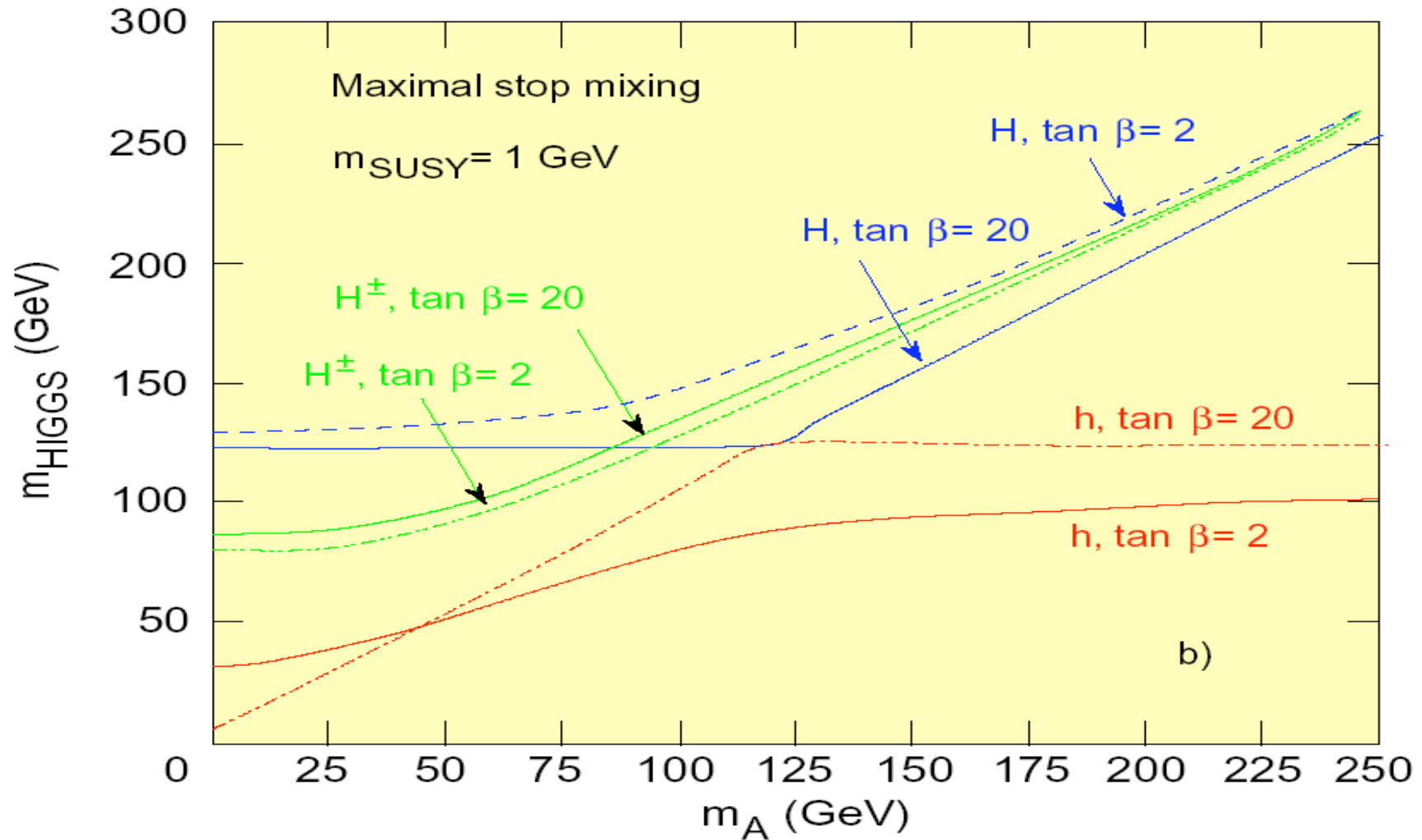
$$m_{H^\pm}^2 = m_{A^0}^2 + m_{W^\pm}^2$$

$$m_{h^0, H^0}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(m_{A^0}^2 + m_{Z^0}^2 \mp \sqrt{(m_{A^0}^2 + m_{Z^0}^2)^2 - 4m_{Z^0}^2 m_{A^0}^2 \cos^2 2\beta} \right)$$

- radiative corrections can be important (e.g. for h^0 !!)



MSSM Higgs masses, summary





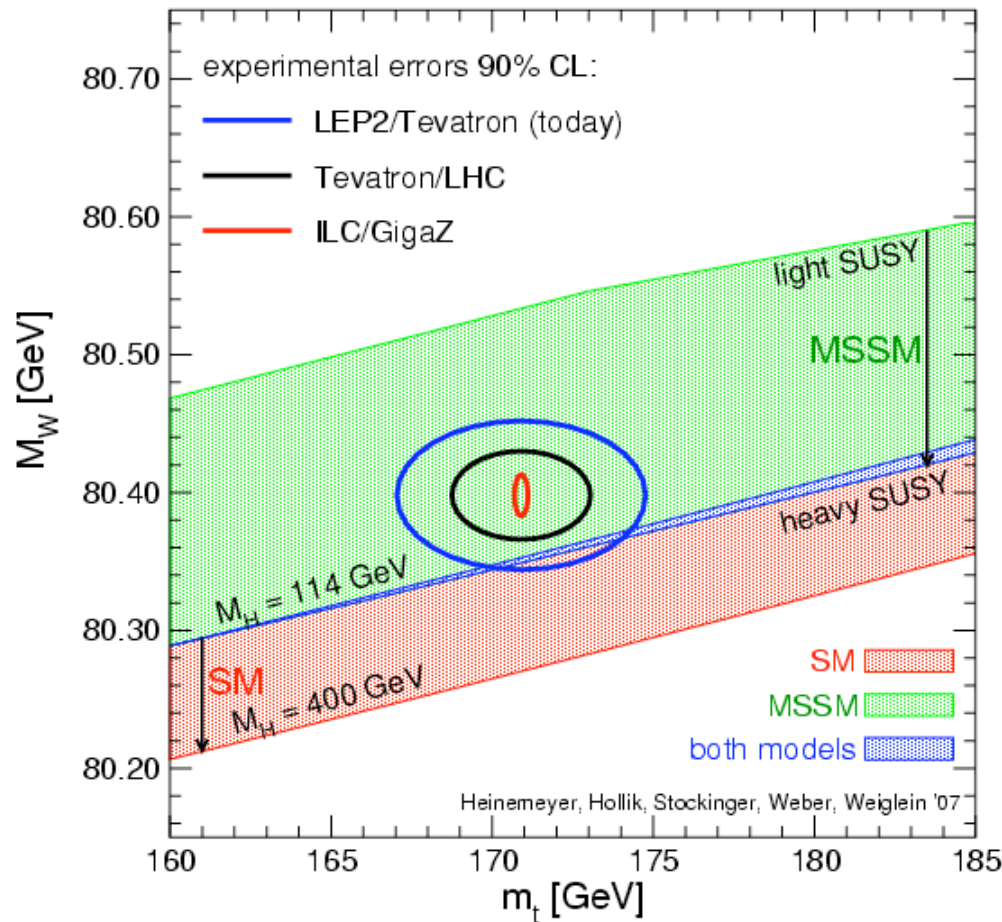
LEP Experimental limits



- **SM Higgs (LEP)**
 - $M_H > 114.4 \text{ GeV @95\% CL}$
- **MSSM neutral Higgs bosons (LEP)**
 - $M_h, M_A > 92.9, 93.3 \text{ GeV @95\% CL}$
 - $M_{H^\pm} > 89.6 \text{ GeV @95\% CL}$ for $\text{BR}(M_{H^\pm} \rightarrow \tau\nu) = 1$
 - $M_{H^\pm} > 78.6 \text{ GeV @95\% CL}$ for any BR
- **Electroweak fits to all high Q^2 measurements give:**
 - $M_H = 84^{+34}_{-26} \text{ GeV}$
 - $M_H < 154 \text{ GeV @ 95\% CL}$



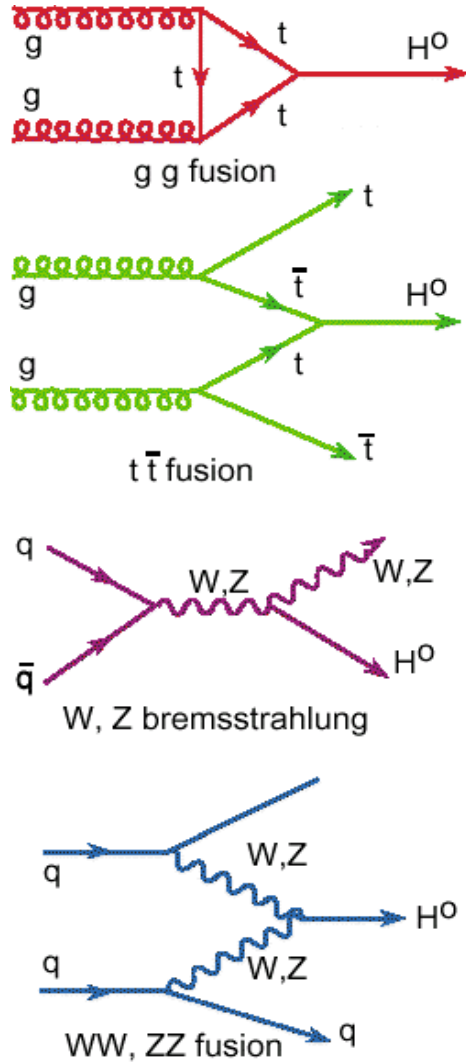
Precision EW measurements



$M_t = 170.9$ GeV
 $M_W = 80.398$ GeV

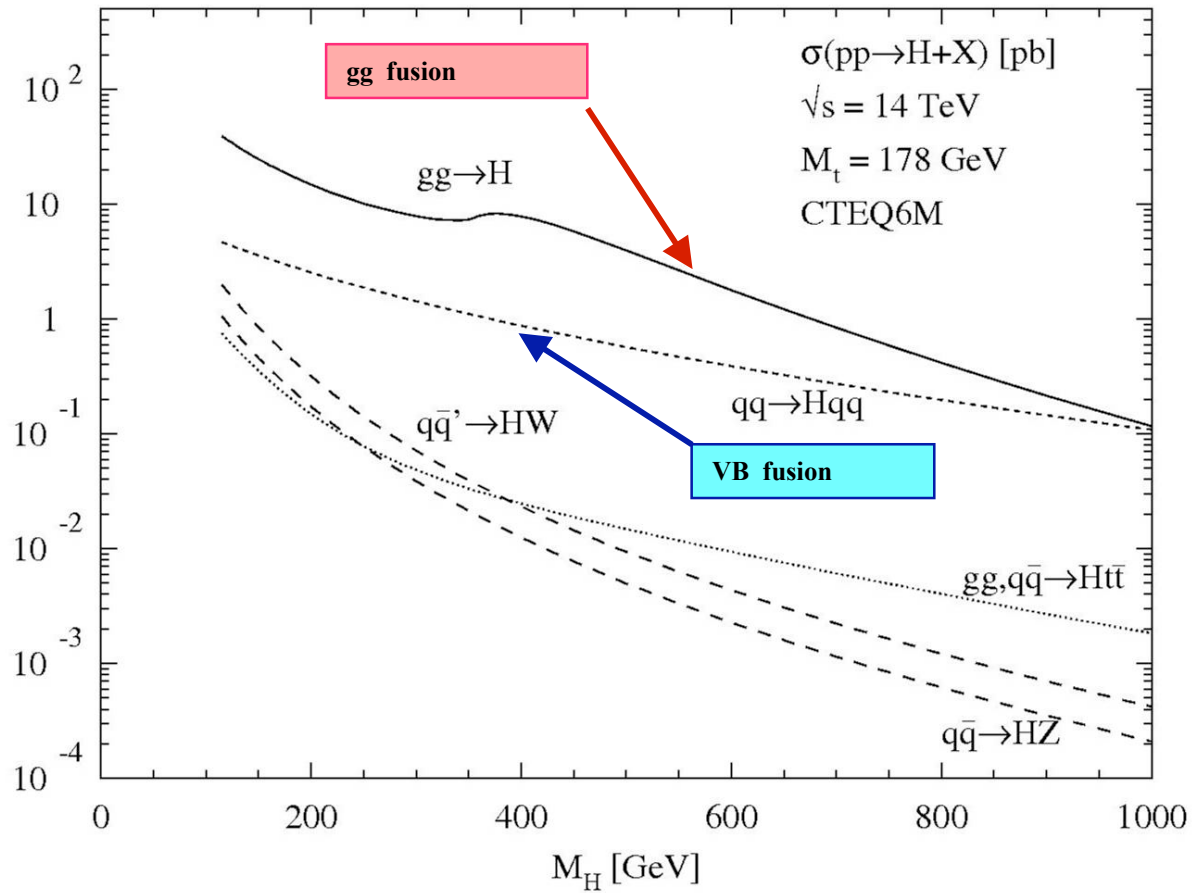


SM Higgs boson production @ LHC



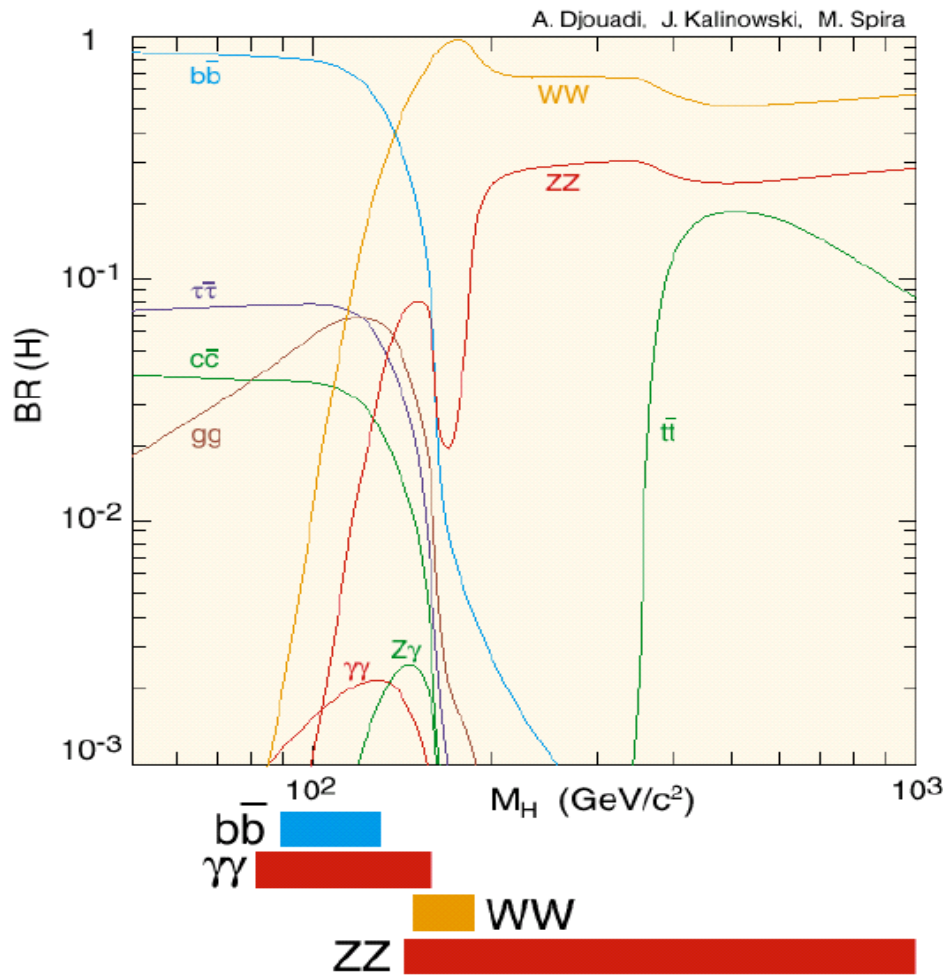
NLO Cross sections

M. Spira et al.





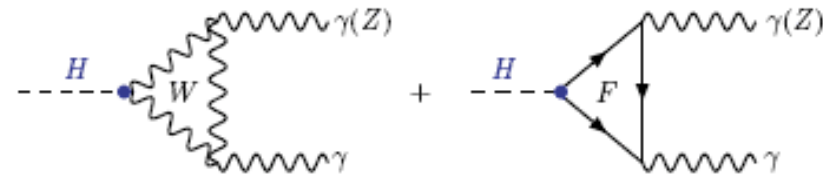
SM Higgs decay modes



- Higgs couples to m_f^2
→ b quarks

- until WW and ZZ modes open up (2/1 ratio)

- decay into $\gamma\gamma$ through loops

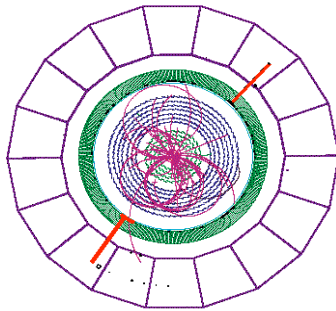
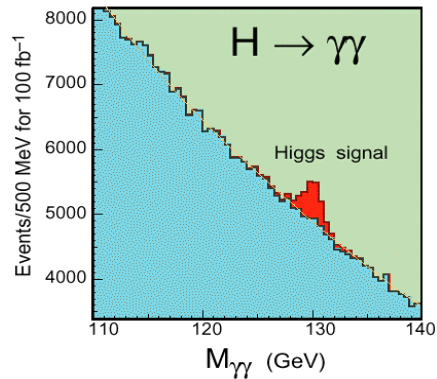
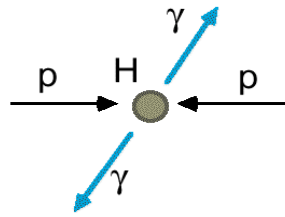




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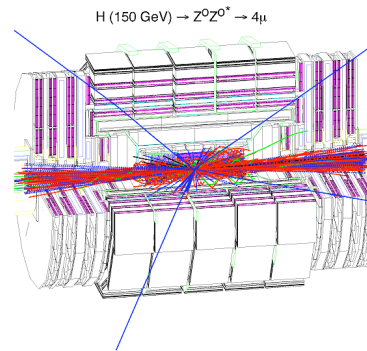
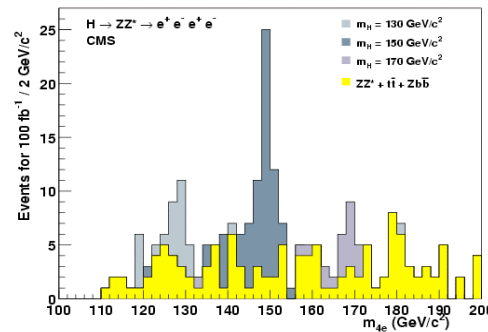
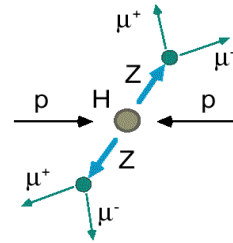


Low $M_H < 140 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

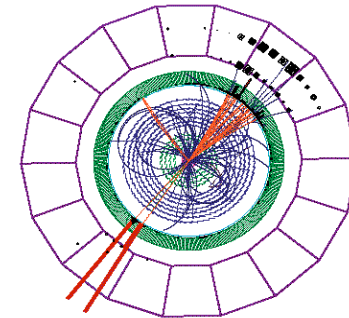
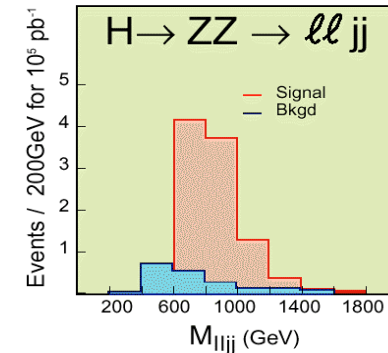
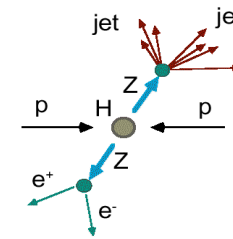


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Medium $130 < M_H < 500 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



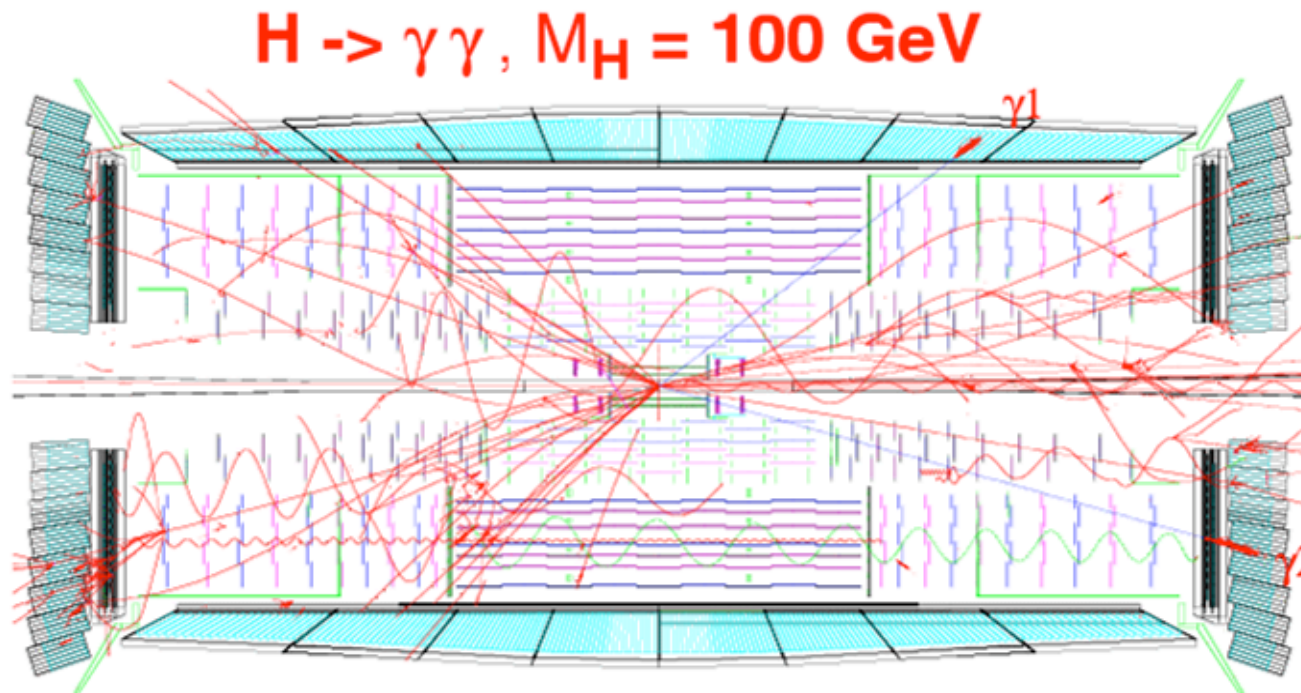
High $M_H > \sim 500 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



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$$h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$$

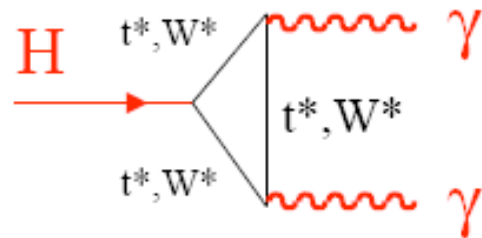




$h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



Most promising channel in the range $m_H < 150$ GeV



$(\sigma.B \sim 50 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ pb @ } m_H \sim 150 \text{ GeV})$

$\sigma.B$ can be modified by heavy undiscovered fundamental fermions or bosons

Backgrounds are large (2pb/GeV), H natural width is small (\sim MeV)

\Rightarrow **excellent mass resolution** required

$$\sigma_m/m = 0.5 [\sigma_{E1}/E_1 \oplus \sigma_{E2}/E_2 \oplus \cot(\theta/2)\Delta\theta]$$

\Rightarrow energy resolution and precise vertex localisation

Typical Cuts

2 isolated photons – $p_T > 25, 40$ GeV with $|\eta| < 2.5$

No track or em cluster with $p_T > 2.5$ GeV in a cone size $\Delta R = 0.3$ around γ s

Signal: ~ 1000 's of events



High level trigger table

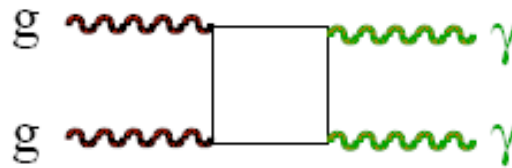
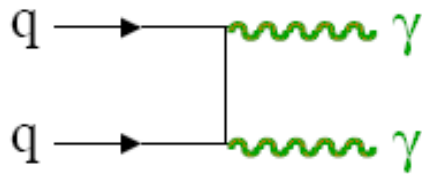


CMS HLT Summary: $2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Trigger	Threshold (GeV or GeV/c)	Rate (Hz)	Cuml. rate (Hz)
Inclusive electron	29	33	33
Di-electron	17	1	34
Inclusive photon	80	4	38
Di-photon	40, 25	5	43
Inclusive muon	19	25	68
Di-muon	7	4	72
Inclusive tau-jet	86	3	75
Di-tau-jet	59	1	76
1-jet * $E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}$	180 * 123	5	81
1-jet OR 3-jet OR 4-jet	657, 247, 113	9	89
Electron * jet	19 * 45	2	90
Inclusive b-jet	237	5	95
Calibration etc		10	105
TOTAL			105

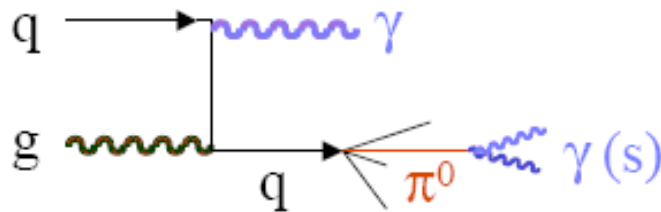
Main Backgrounds

Irreducible: qq annihilation and gg 'box'



$$\frac{\sigma(\gamma\gamma)}{\sigma(H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)} \sim 60$$

Reducible: γ -jet and jet-jet



$$\frac{\sigma_{jj}}{\sigma(H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)} \sim 10^8$$

A need large γ -jet separation (essentially γ - π^0 separation) to reject jets faking photons

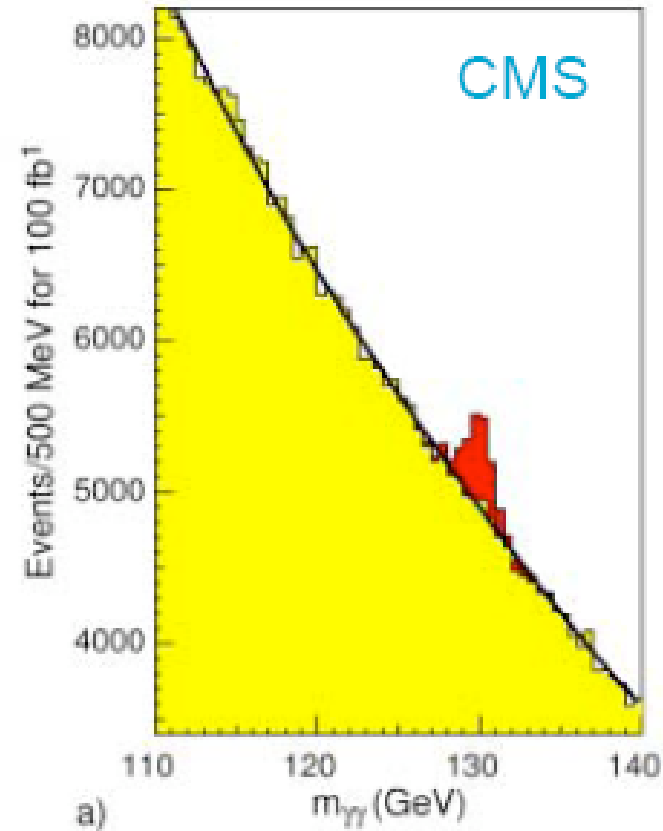
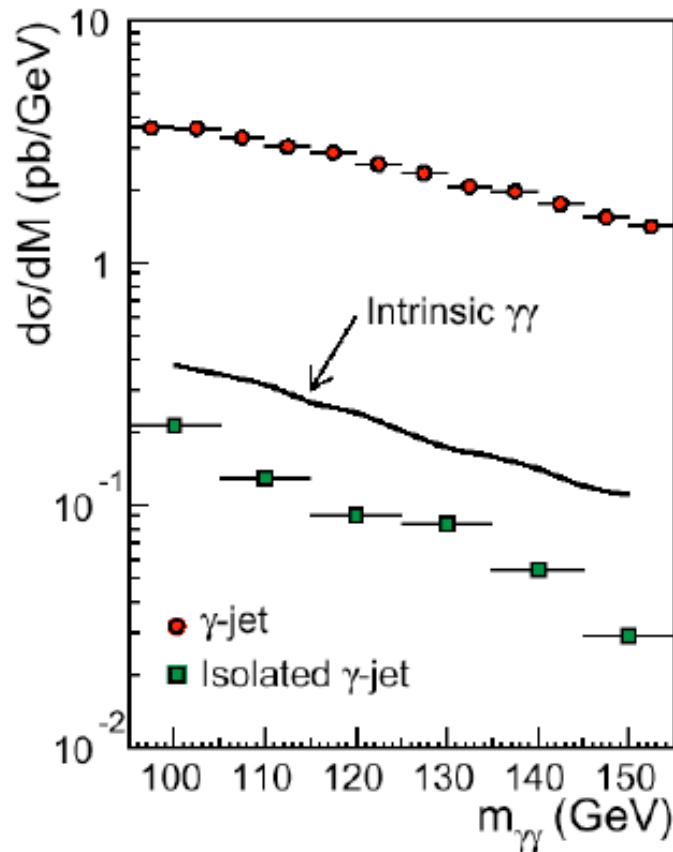


$h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



Background rejection:

Signal:



$\Rightarrow (\gamma\text{-jet} + \text{jet-jet}) < 40\% \gamma\gamma$

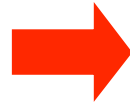


BR's and couplings



Cannot measure total Higgs cross section: no absolute meas. of partial dec. widths

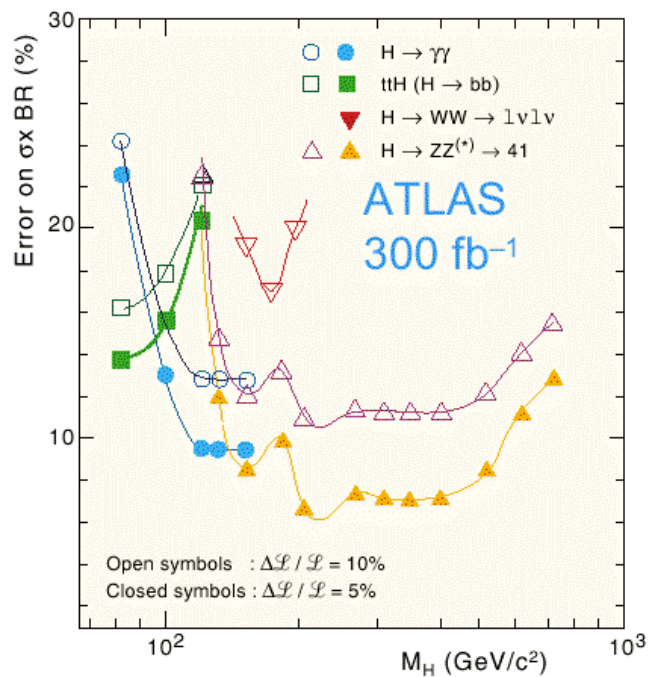
Precision on $\sigma \cdot \text{BR}$



Ratios of couplings

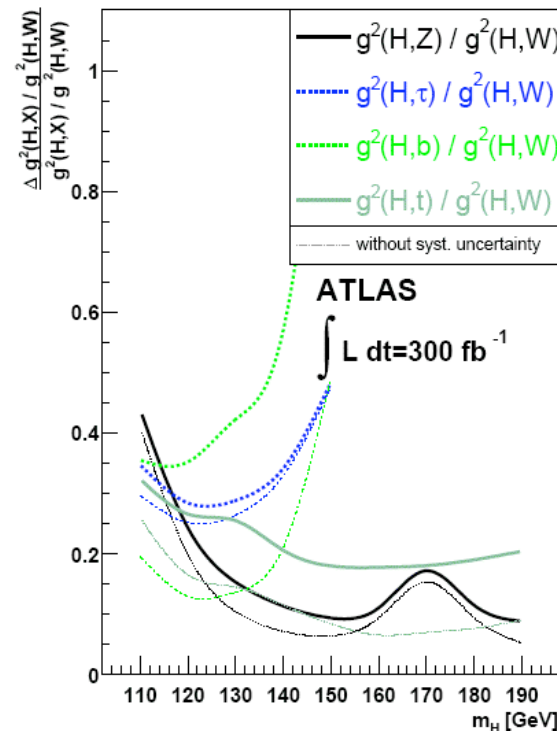


With "mild" theoretical assumptions \rightarrow couplings

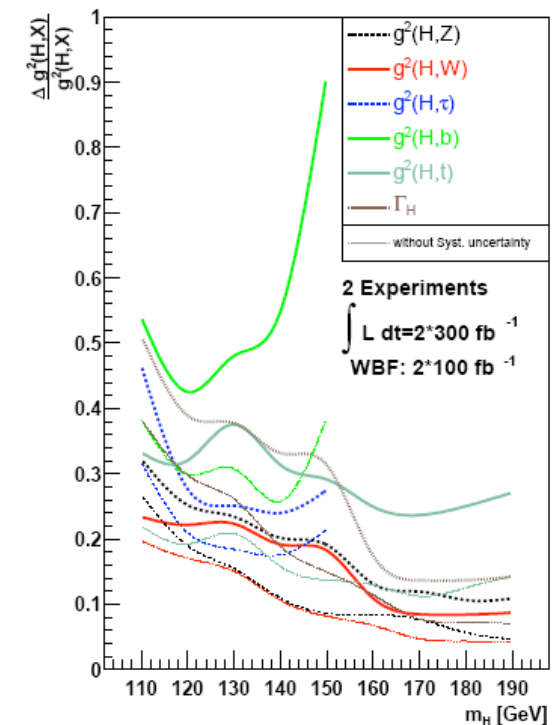


Dominated by luminosity uncertainty

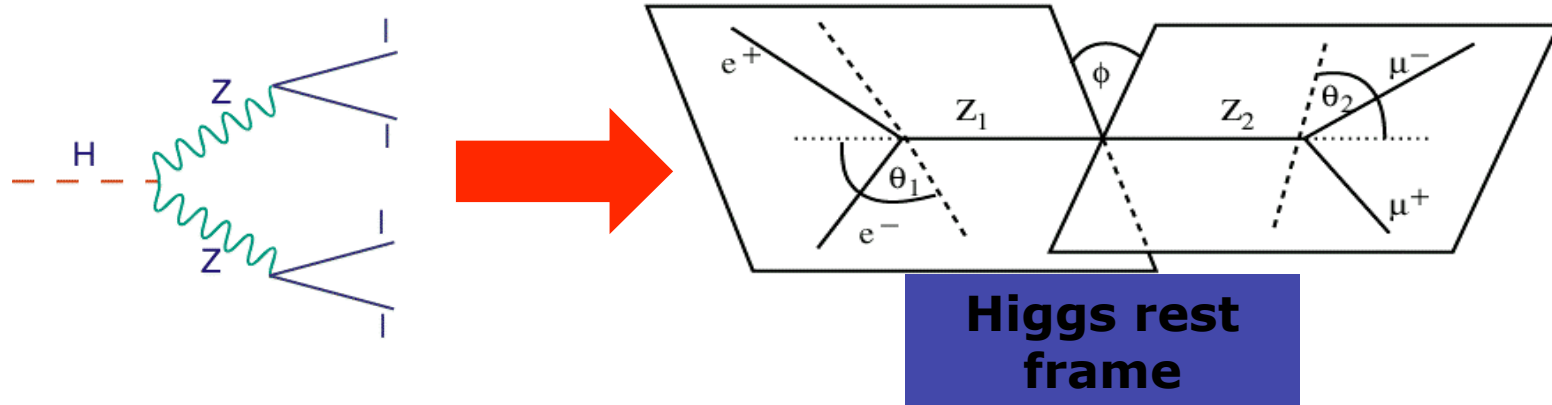
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Precision 10-40%



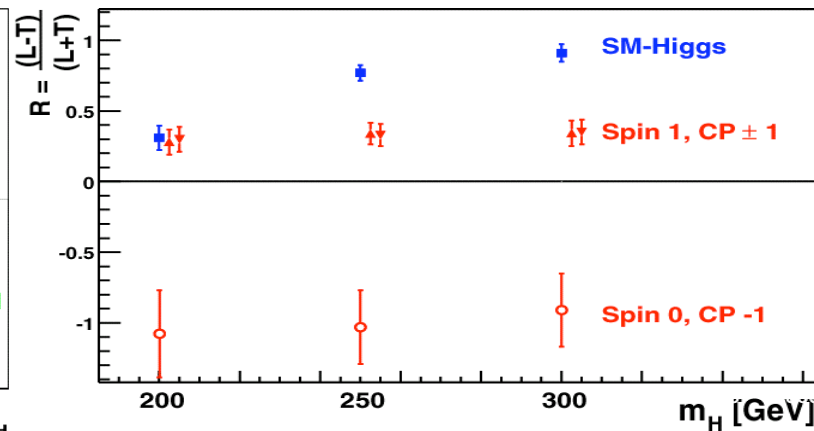
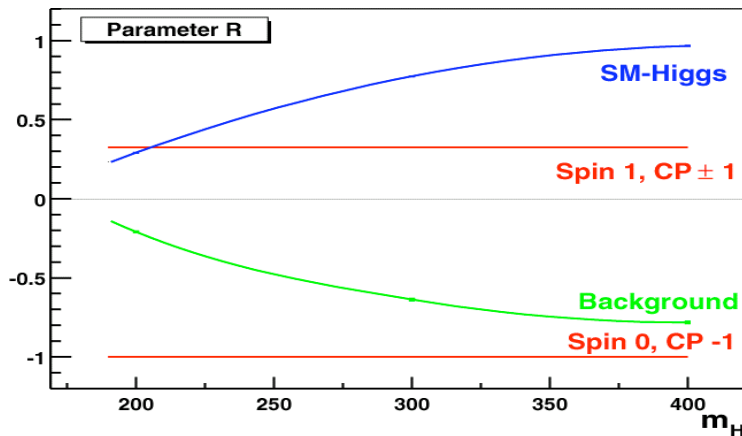
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$$F(\phi) = 1 + \alpha \cos \phi + \beta \cos 2\phi$$

$$G(\theta) = L \sin^2 \theta + T (1 + \cos^2 \theta)$$

$$R = \frac{L - T}{L + T}$$

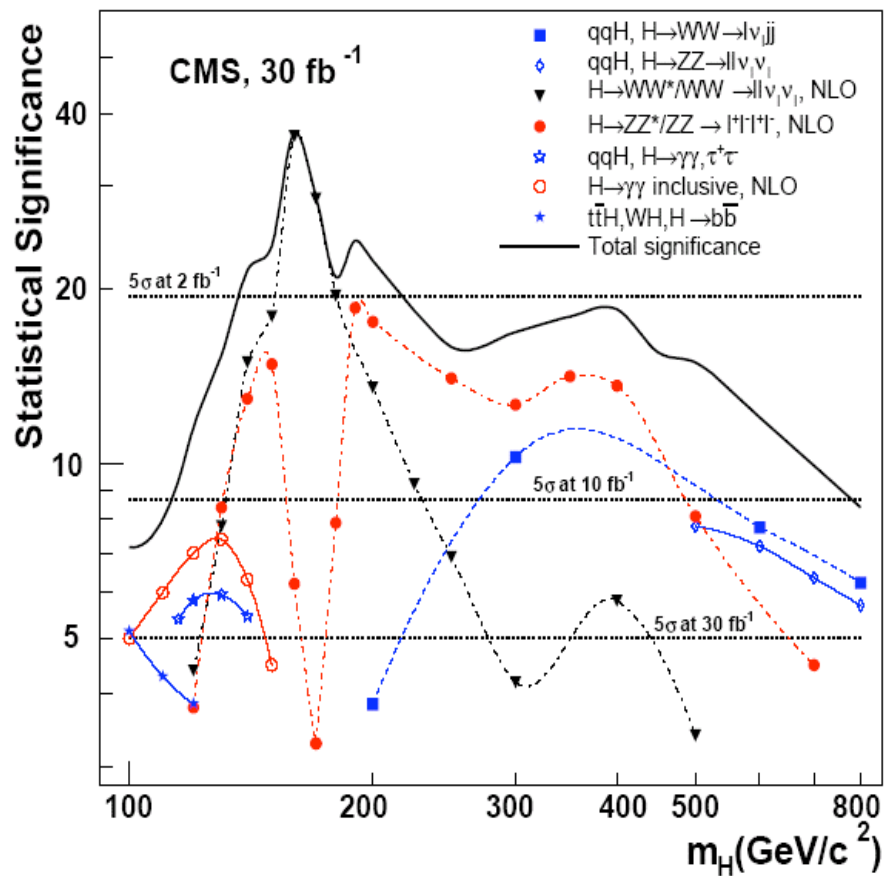




LHC reach for SM Higgs

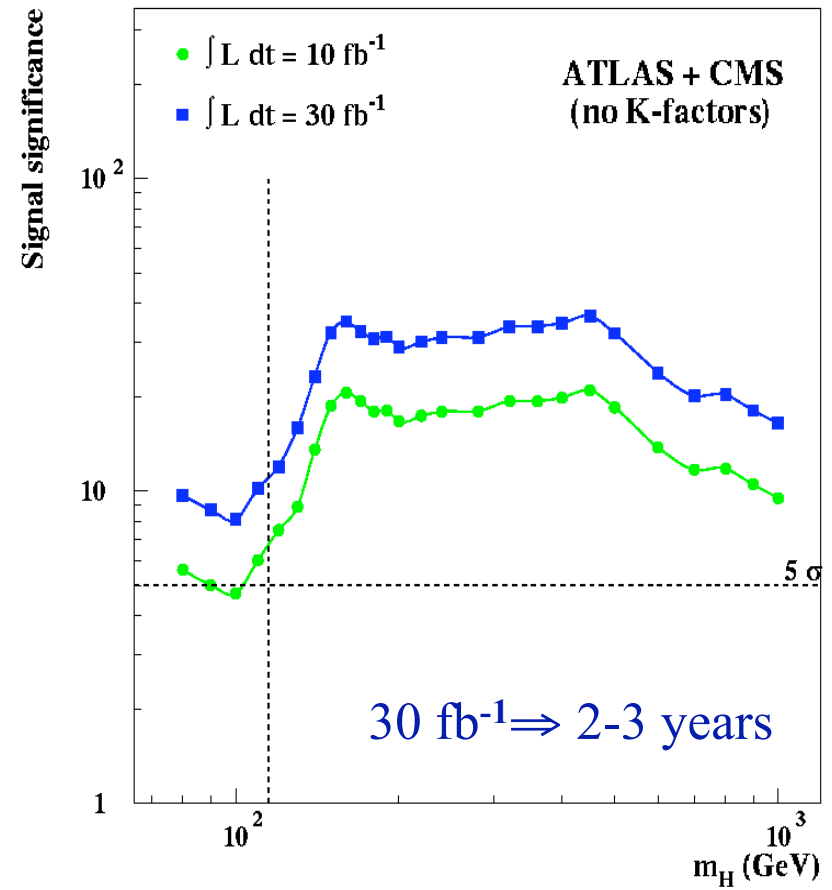


Different channels



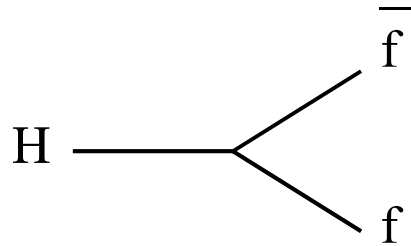
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Total sensitivity



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Higgs couplings to fermions:



- $g_{h^0 t\bar{t}} \propto m_t \frac{\cos\alpha}{\sin\beta}$
- $g_{h^0 b\bar{b}} \propto m_b \frac{-\sin\alpha}{\cos\beta}$
- $g_{H^0 t\bar{t}} \propto m_t \frac{\sin\alpha}{\sin\beta}$
- $g_{H^0 b\bar{b}} \propto m_b \frac{\cos\alpha}{\cos\beta}$
- $g_{A^0 t\bar{t}} \propto m_t \cot\beta$
- $g_{A^0 b\bar{b}} \propto m_b \tan\beta$

- proportional to mass \rightarrow 3rd generation favoured
- $\tan\beta$ enhances couplings of H^0/A^0 to down-type fermions

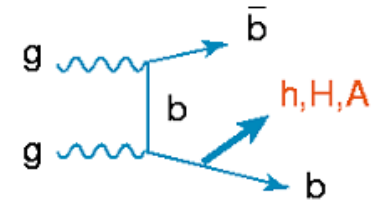
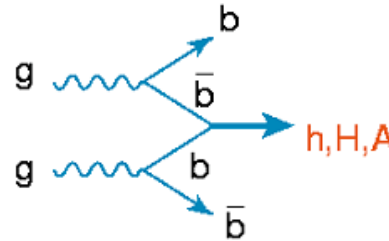


Conventional MSSM A/H channels



... so main production mechanism for A^0 and H^0 :

$$gg \textcircled{R} A^0, H^0 b\bar{b}$$

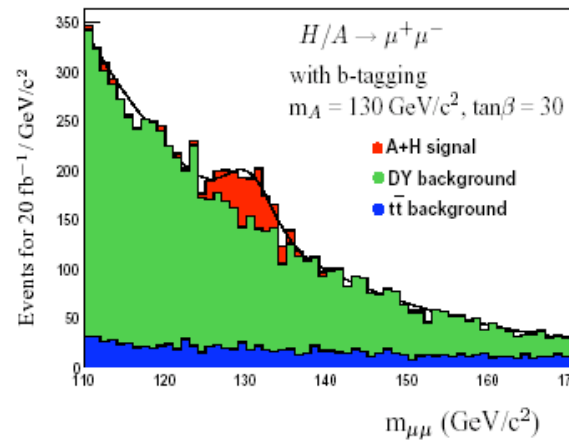
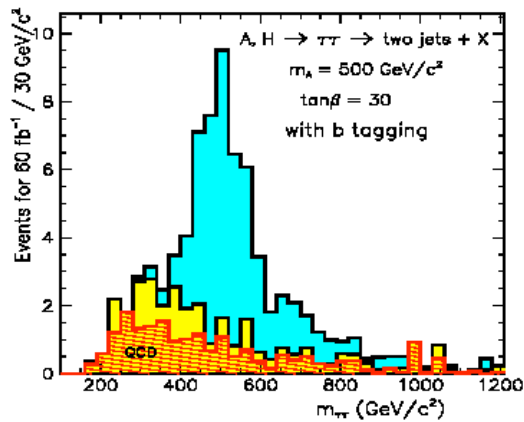


and use decay mode:

$$A^0, H^0 \textcircled{R} \tau\tau^-$$

$$A^0, H^0 \textcircled{R} \mu\mu^-$$

$$(A^0, H^0 \textcircled{R} b\bar{b})$$



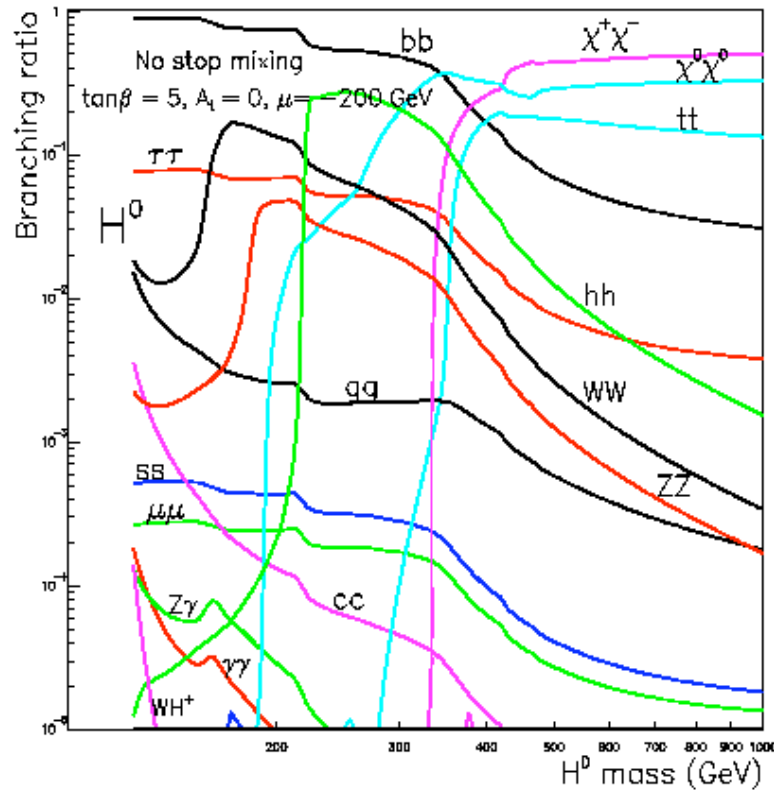
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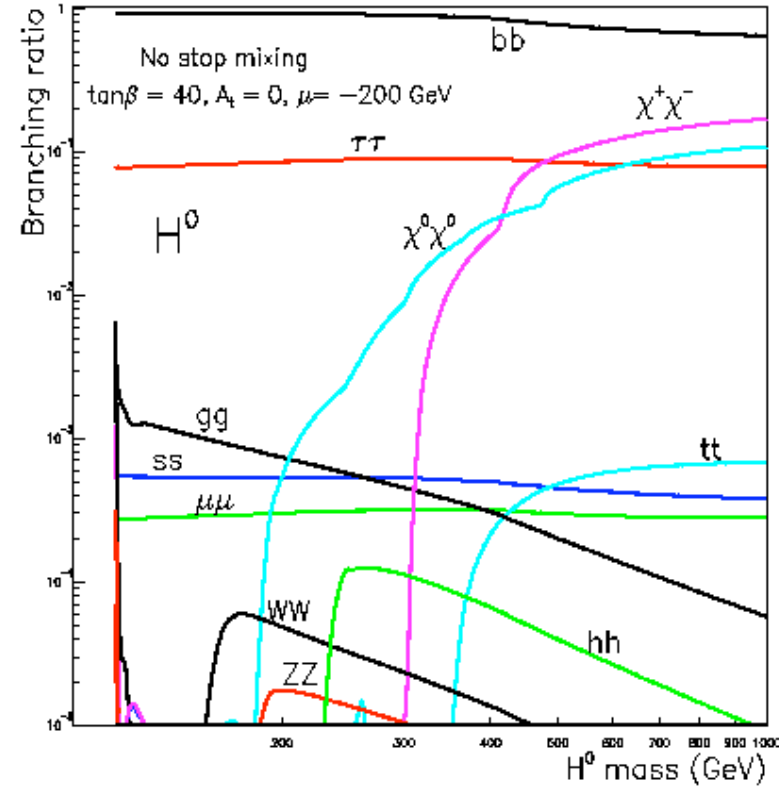
A/H branching ratios



low $\tan \beta$



high $\tan \beta$



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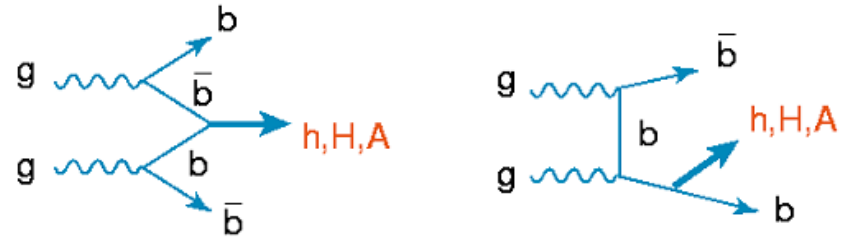


$A/H \rightarrow \tau\tau$



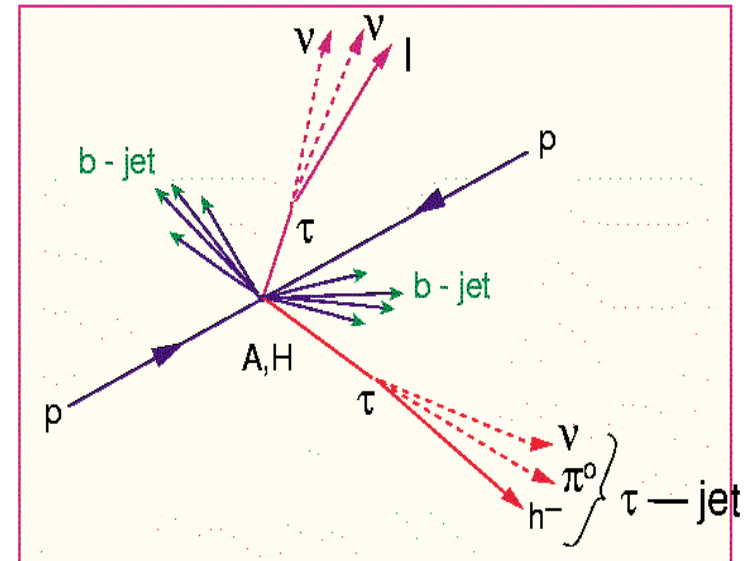
Most promising channel:

$$A/H \rightarrow \tau\tau$$



where the taus can decay leptonically or hadronically:

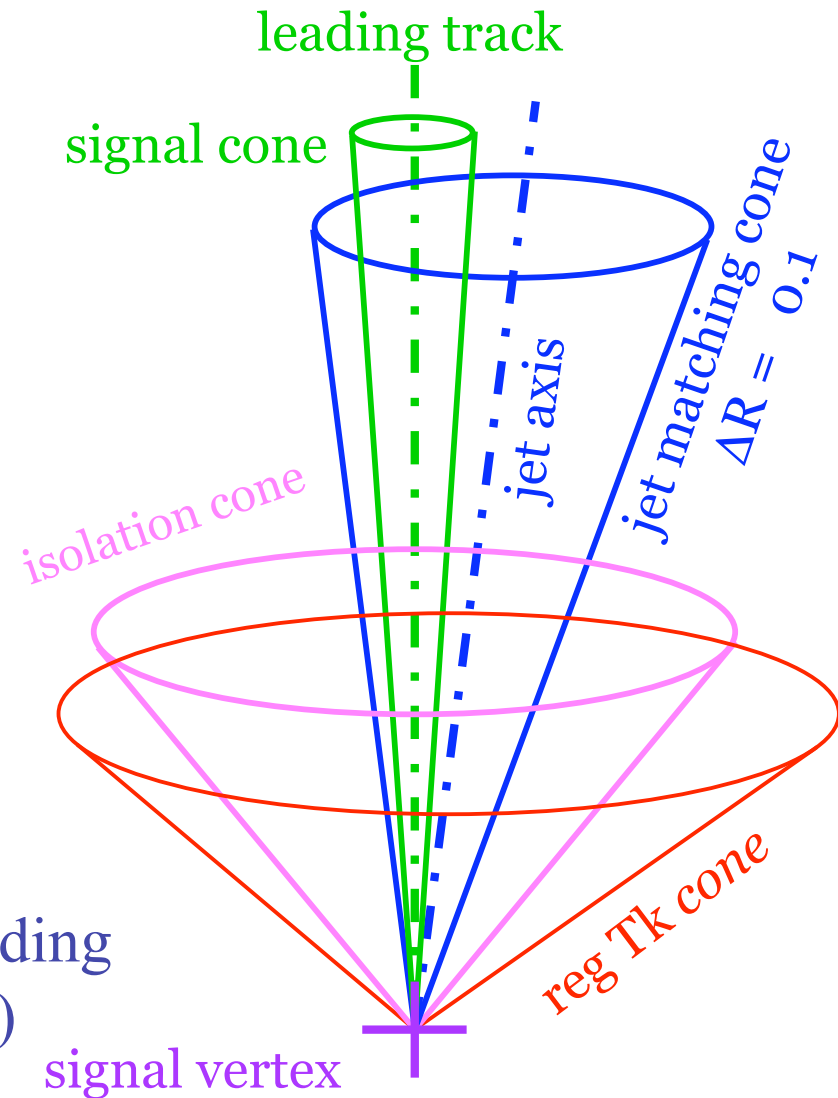
1. lepton + lepton
2. lepton + hadron : $M_A < 350 \text{ GeV}$
3. hadron + hadron : $M_A > 350 \text{ GeV}$



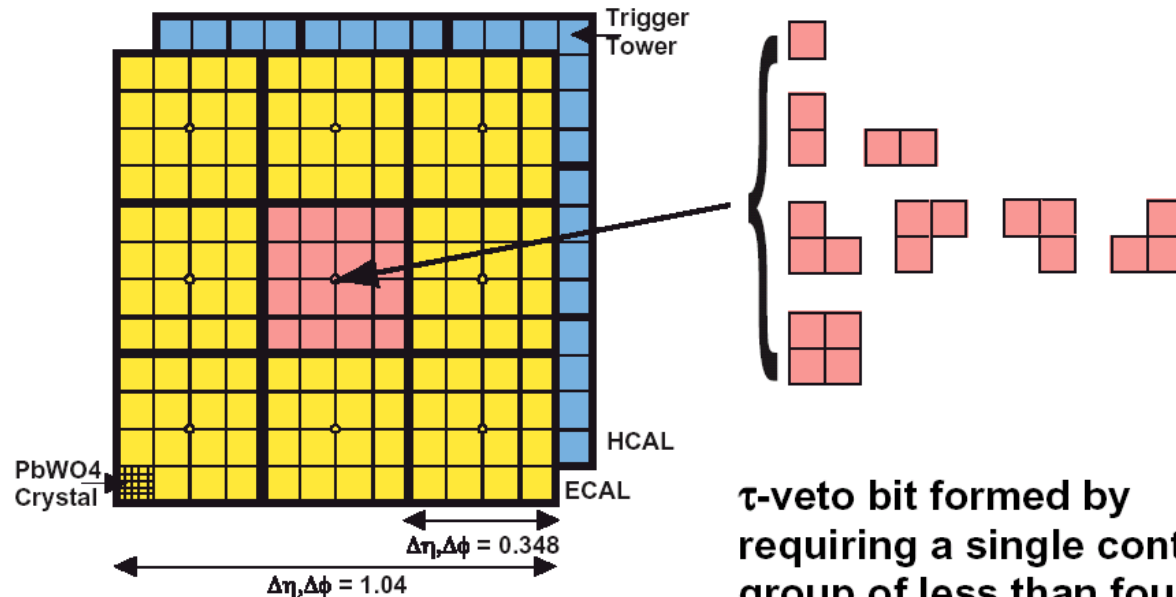
- remember τ branching ratios:
 - $\tau \rightarrow l \nu_l \nu_\tau : 35\%$
 - $\tau \rightarrow \pi^\pm + n \pi^0\text{'s} : 50\%$
 - $\tau \rightarrow 3\pi^\pm + n \pi^0\text{'s} : 15\%$
- prefer hadronic decays (for mass rec.) but QCD background is huge

CMS has developed
dedicated τ trigger for this!!

→ look for narrow jet (L1) with leading charged track (π^\pm) (L3)



Input from E/HCAL:
 Programmable 8-bit
 nonlinear scale
 converted to 10-bit
 linear scale for
 sums to obtain jet E_T



τ -veto bit formed by
 requiring a single contiguous
 group of less than four
 active
 towers in each 4x4 region

Jet or τ E_T

- 12x12 trigger tower E_T sums in 4x4 region steps with central region $>$ others,
- *central region above a programmable threshold*

τ algorithm

- redefine jet as τ -jet if none of the nine 4x4 region τ -veto bits are on

Output

- top 4 τ -jets and top 4 jets in central rapidity, and top four jets in forward rapidity



A/H \rightarrow $\tau\tau$: background rejection



Signal: 2 τ jets + 2 soft b jets

Main backgrounds:

QCD jets
(2 fake τ 's)

W + jets
(1 real + 1 fake τ)

$t\bar{t}$
(2 real τ 's + 2 hard b's)

Z, $\gamma^* \rightarrow \tau\tau$
(2 real τ 's)

Main rejection techniques:

τ -jet ID, E_T^{miss} cut

τ -jet ID, τ -tagging (IP, vertex)

central jet veto

b-tagging



A/H \rightarrow $\tau\tau$: mass reconstruction

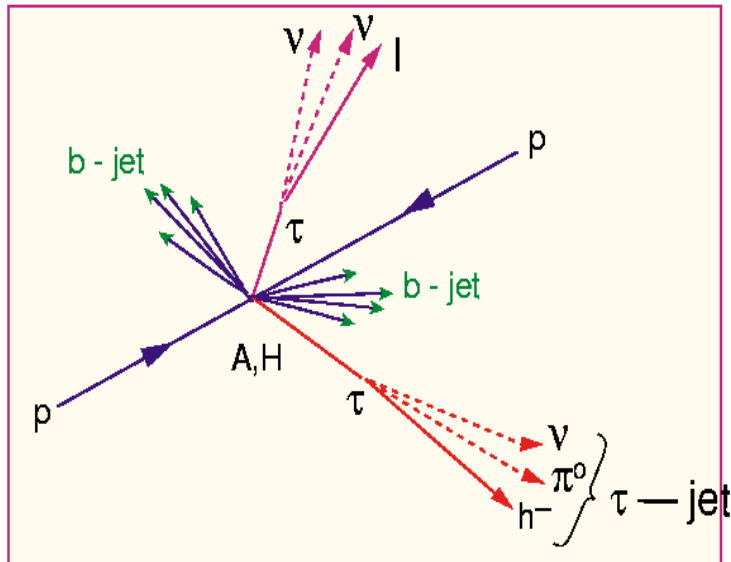
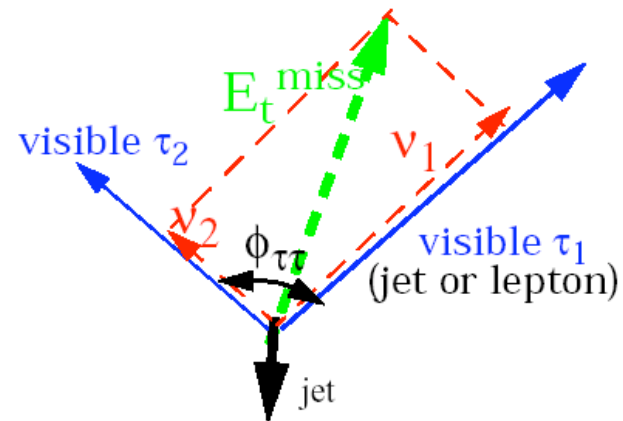


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Assume neutrinos are emitted in the direction of the tau ($M_\tau \ll E_T^\tau$):

$$E_{\nu_1} x_1 + E_{\nu_2} x_2 = E_x^{\text{miss}}$$

$$E_{\nu_1} y_1 + E_{\nu_2} y_2 = E_y^{\text{miss}}$$



$\sigma(M_H) \sim \sigma(E_t^{\text{miss}}) / \sin(\Delta\phi) !$
back-to-back is the worst case for the mass reconstruction



A/H \rightarrow $\tau\tau$: mass resolution



A/H \rightarrow $\tau\tau \rightarrow$ jj has Gaussian shape with $\sigma(\tau\tau) = 15\%$ (for $m_A = 500$ GeV, low lumi)

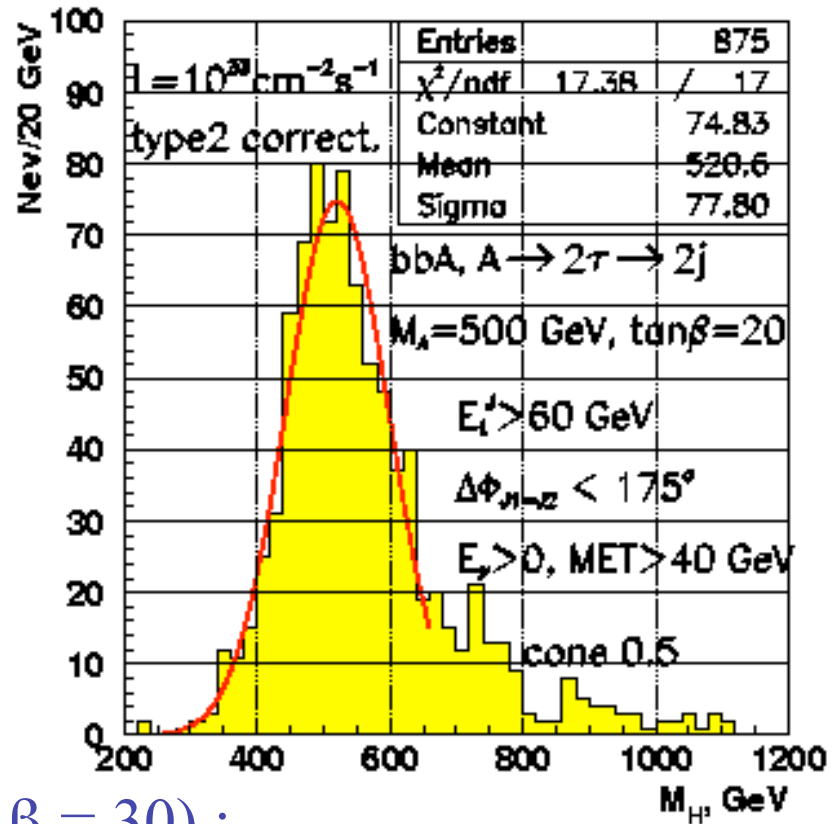
→ precision on m_A :

$$\sigma(m_A) = \frac{15\%}{\sqrt{n}}$$

with n the number of events

E.g. at SPS 1b ($m_A = 500$ GeV, $\tan \beta = 30$):

~ 100 events for 30 fb^{-1} : $\sigma(m_A) = 1.5\%$ (assuming no background)



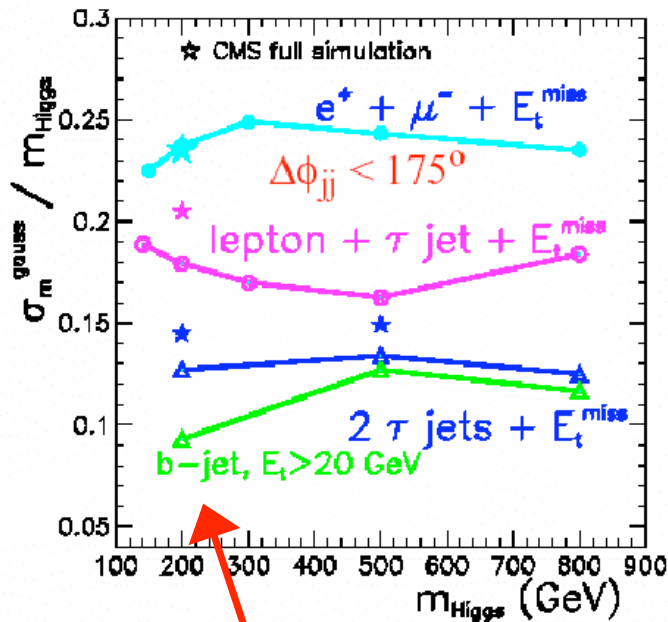


A/H \rightarrow $\tau\tau$: mass resolution (2)

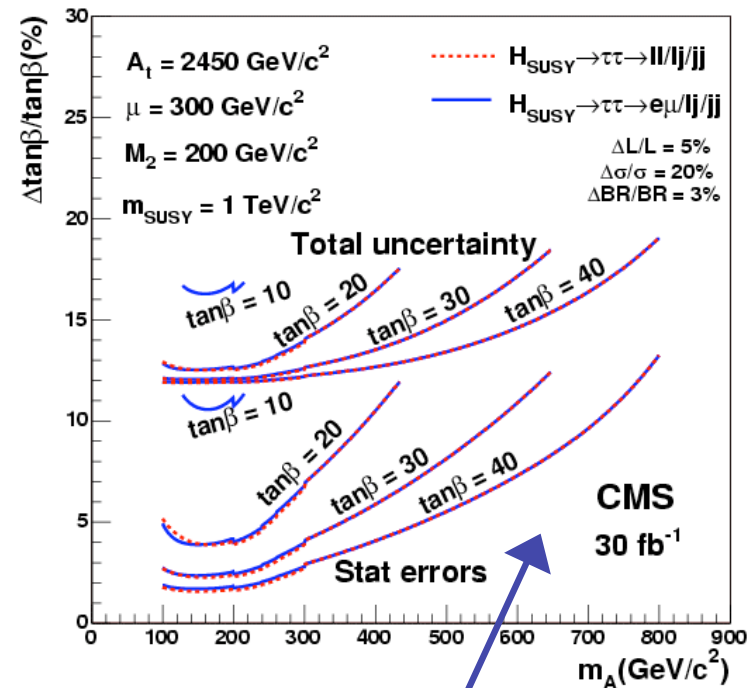


Mass resolution for τ channels:

m_A known \rightarrow $\tan\beta$ measurement from rates:



for lower Higgs masses, the mass resolution improves with factor 2 by tagging associated b-jet



single b-tagging works best



tan β measurement



At large $\tan(\beta)$, $\sigma \times \text{Br} \sim \tan^2(\beta)_{\text{eff}} f(M_A)$ at fixed $\mu, M_2, A_t, M_{\text{SUSY}}$

$$N_S = \tan^2(\beta)_{\text{eff}} f(M_A) L \epsilon_{\text{sel}}$$

$$\tan(\beta) = \tan(\beta)_{\text{mes}} \pm \Delta_{\text{stat}} \pm \Delta_{\text{syst}} \pm \Delta_{\text{MCgen}}$$

$$\Delta_{\text{syst}} = 0.5 \sqrt{(\Delta L)^2 + \Delta\sigma_{\text{th}}^2 + \Delta\text{Br}_{\text{th}}^2 + \Delta\sigma(\Delta M_H)^2 + \Delta\epsilon_{\text{sel}}^2 + \Delta B^2}$$

$\Delta\sigma_{\text{th}} = 20\%$ due to NLO scale dependence

$\Delta\text{Br}_{\text{th}} = 3\%$ uncertainties of SM input parameters

$\Delta L = 5\%$ luminosity uncertainty

$\Delta\sigma(\Delta M_H) = 10\text{-}12\%$ due to mass measurement at 5σ discovery limit

$\Delta B = \Delta N_B / N_S = 10\%$ at 5σ discovery limit (preliminary)

$$\Delta\epsilon_{\text{sel}}^2 = \Delta\epsilon_{\text{calo}}^2 + \Delta\epsilon_{\text{b tag}}^2 + \Delta\epsilon_{\tau \text{ tag}}^2$$

$$\Delta\epsilon_{\text{b tag}} = 2.0\% \text{ (preliminary)}$$

$$\Delta\epsilon_{\tau \text{ tag}} = 2.5\% \text{ (preliminary)}$$

$$\Delta\epsilon_{\text{calo}} = 2.9\% \text{ (preliminary)}$$



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) calibrated (JetPlusTrack))
) calibrated (JetPlusGamma))

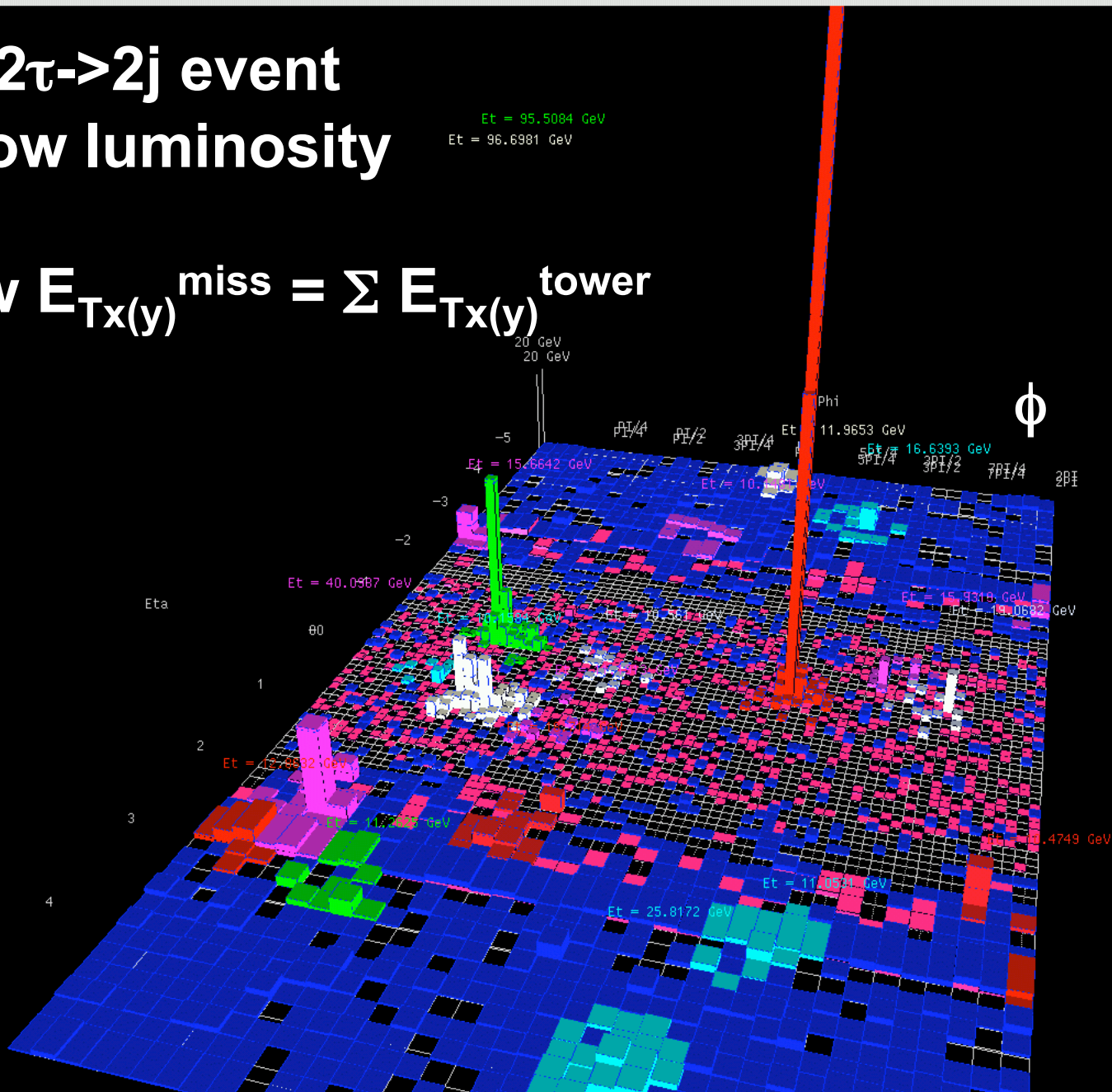


A → 2τ → 2j event at low luminosity

$$\text{Raw } E_{Tx(y)}^{\text{miss}} = \sum E_{Tx(y)}^{\text{tower}}$$

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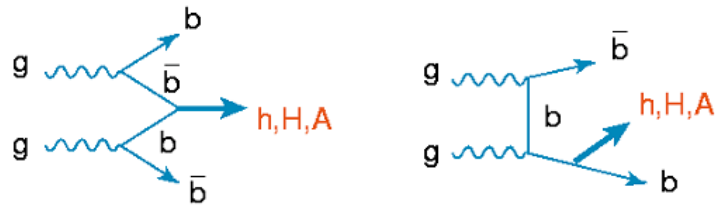


A/H \rightarrow $\mu\mu$



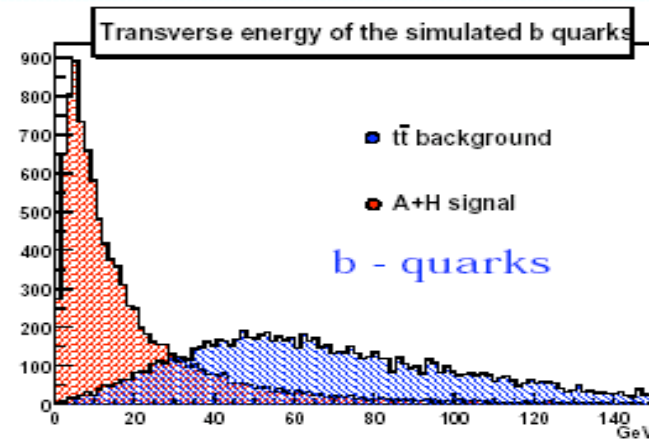
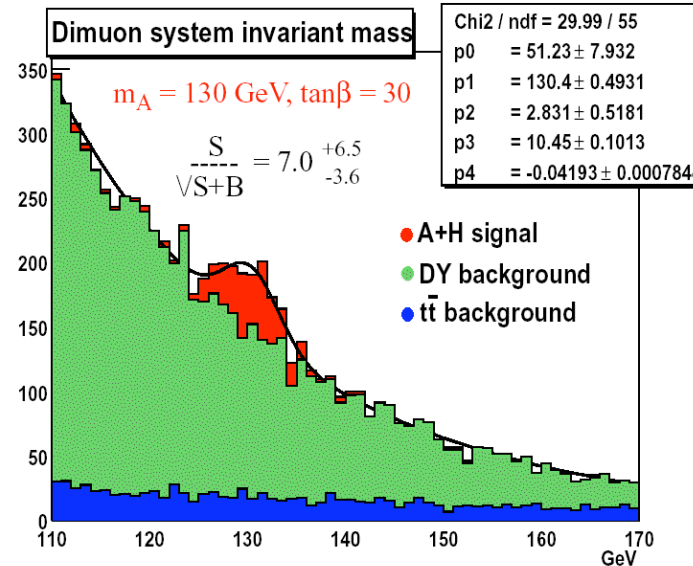
A/H \rightarrow $\mu\mu$ branching ratio only $\sim 3 \cdot 10^{-4}$ but easy triggering and excellent μ momentum resolution

\rightarrow feasible at high $\tan \beta$ and low m_A ...



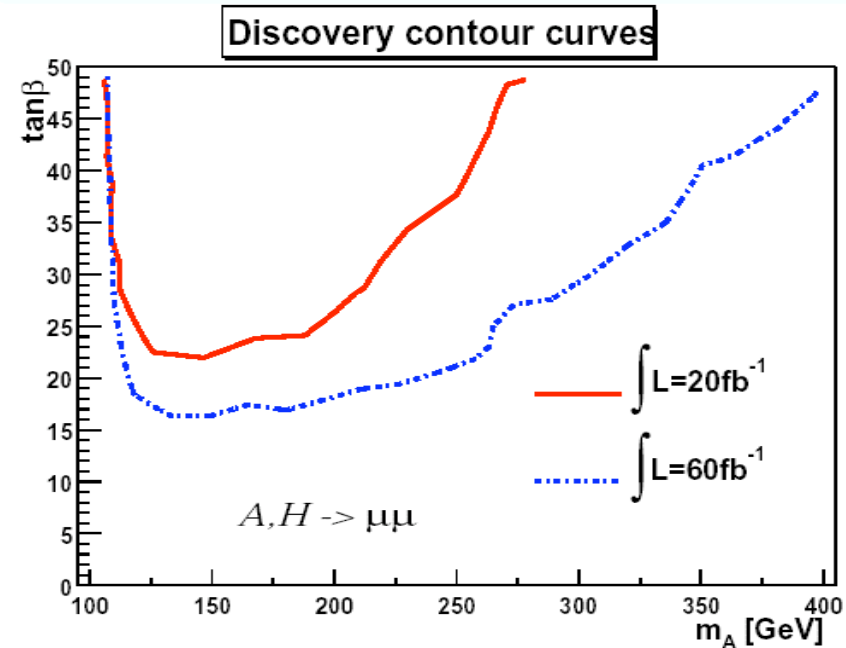
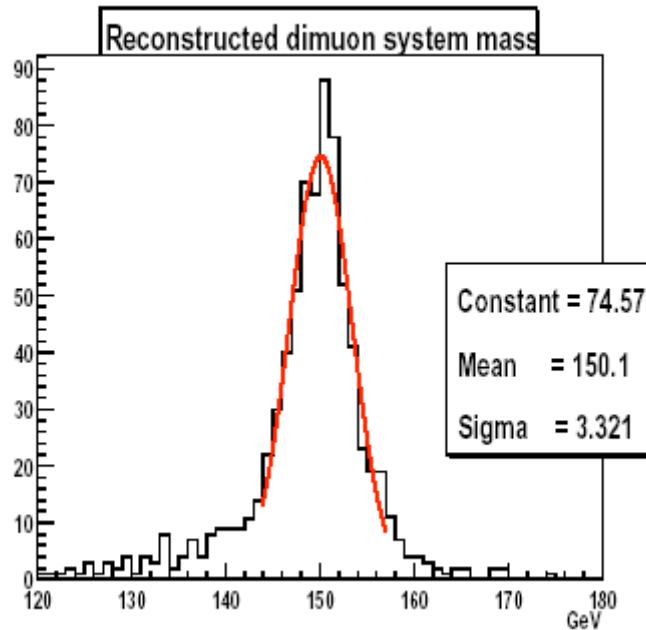
Exploit $bb\mu\mu$ signature (effective against DY background)

\rightarrow need excellent b-tagging





A/H $\rightarrow \mu\mu$: mass resolution



$\mu\mu$ mass resolution of 1% :

- most precise determination of m_H (and $\tan \beta$)
- fit to $\mu\mu$ signal shape might allow Γ_H measurement



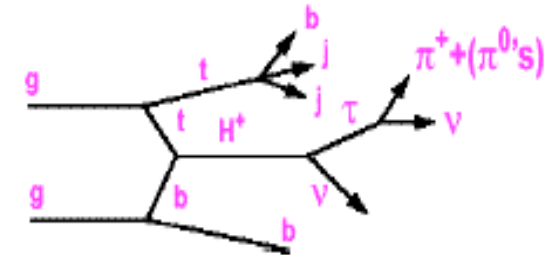
Charged Higgs bosons



Production:

- in tt events with $t \rightarrow bH^\pm$ if $m_{H^\pm} < m_{top}$
- through $gg \rightarrow tbH^\pm$ if $m_{H^\pm} > m_{top}$

For $m_{H^\pm} > m_{top}$: can use extra top in the event!
(the associated b is usually at large rapidities)

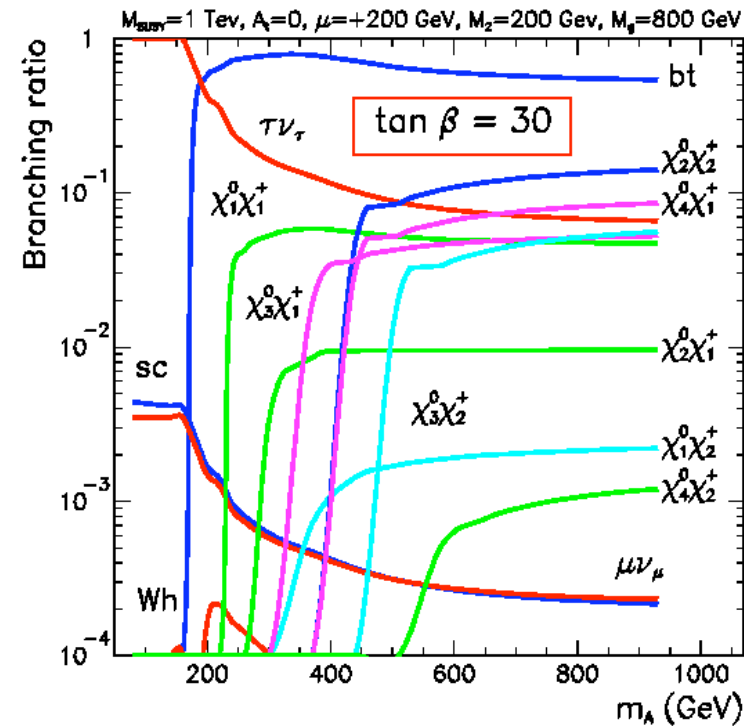


Decay channels:

- $m_{H^\pm} < m_{top}$: $BR(H^\pm \rightarrow \tau\nu) \sim 100\%$
- $m_{H^\pm} > m_{top}$ and large $\tan\beta$ (>10):
 $H^\pm \rightarrow tb$ dominates
 $BR(H^\pm \rightarrow \tau\nu)$ sizeable $\sim 10\%$

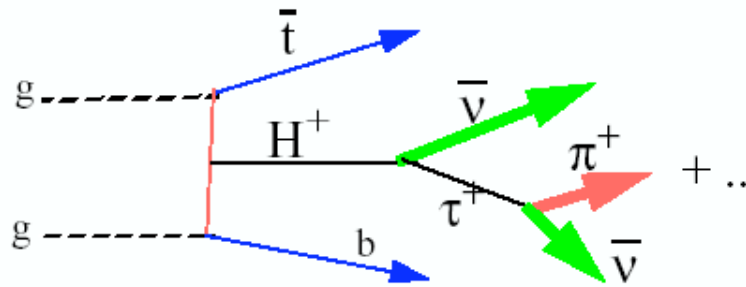
Advantage with $H^\pm \rightarrow \tau\nu$, $\tau \rightarrow \text{hadrons}+n$:

Helicity correlations can be exploited to suppress irreducible backgrounds from tt , Wt and $W+\text{jets}$ with $W \rightarrow \tau\nu$





$H^\pm \rightarrow \tau \nu$



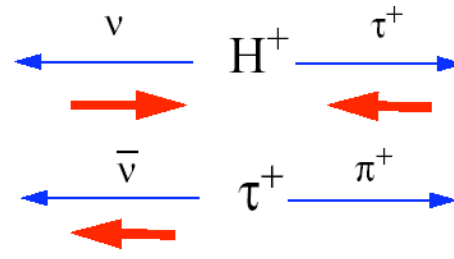
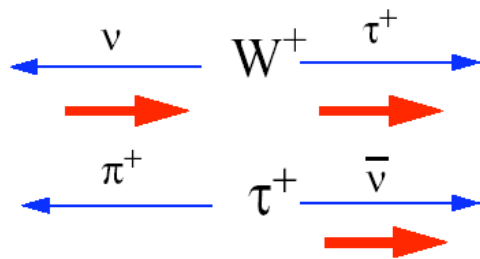
Strategy:

- reconstruct hadronic τ
- reconstruct hadronic top ($t \rightarrow bjj$)

Main backgrounds: $t\bar{t}$, Wtb , $W + \text{jets}$

W and H^\pm have different **spin** \rightarrow exploit τ polarization effects !!

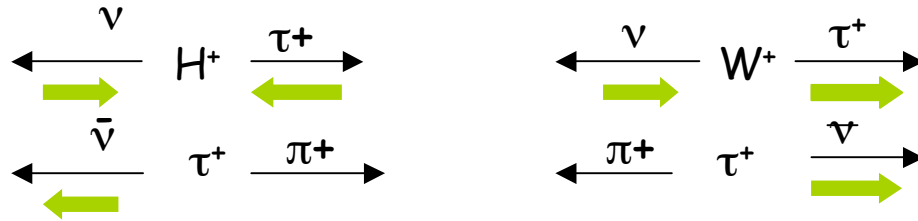
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\rightarrow harder pions from H^\pm ...



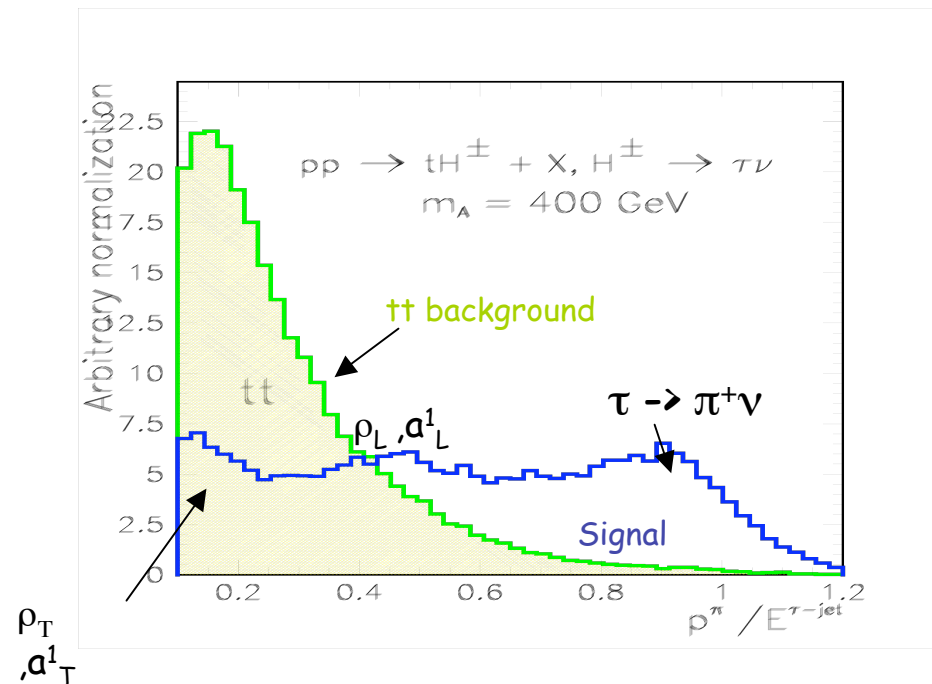
Spin correlations



Harder pions from $H^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$ than from $W^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$
 (through $\tau \rightarrow \pi^+ \nu$ and the longitudinal components of ρ and a_1)

Suppression of backgrounds
 with genuine τ 's from $W \rightarrow \tau \nu$
 with a cut in $p^\pi / E^{t \text{ jet}}$

Efficiency with $p^\pi / E^{t \text{ jet}} > 0.8$:
 Signal ($m_{H^\pm} = 400 \text{ GeV}$) $\sim 45\%$
 tt background $\sim 2\%$
 (fast simulation)





$H^\pm \rightarrow \tau\nu$: mass reconstruction

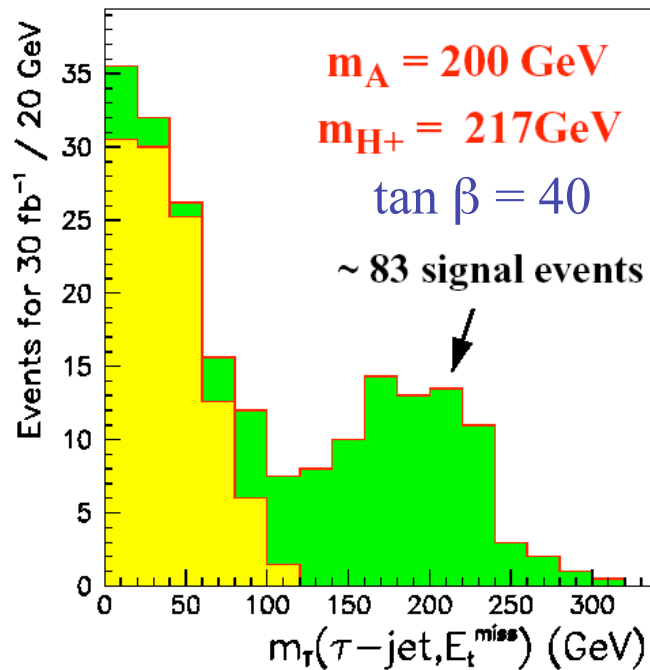


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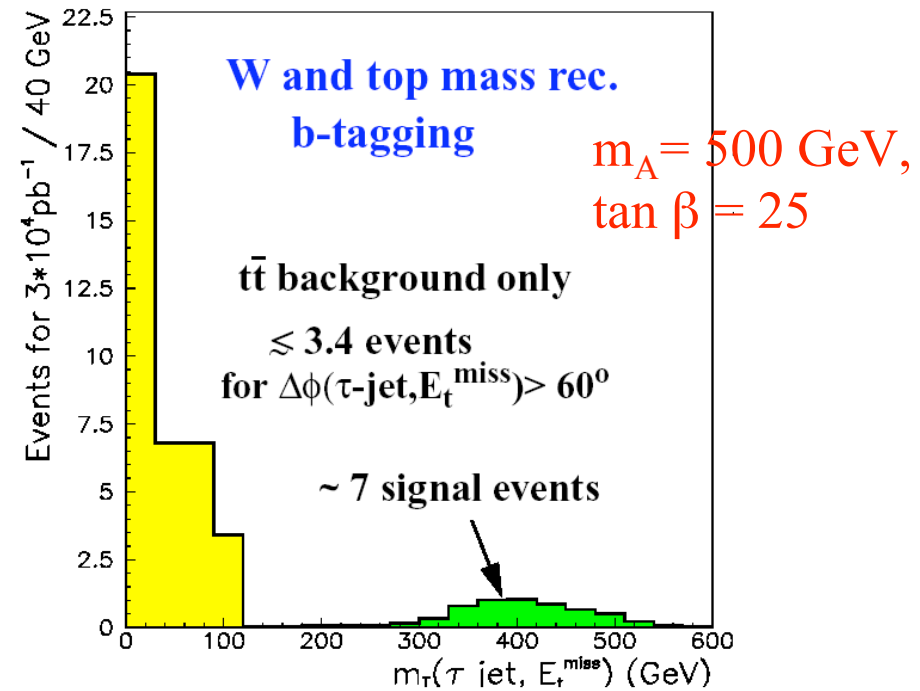
τ decays hadronically \rightarrow only 1 neutrino



2% mass precision possible
by fitting Jacobian peak



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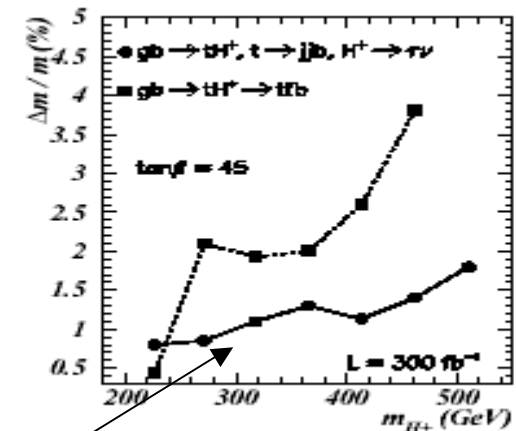
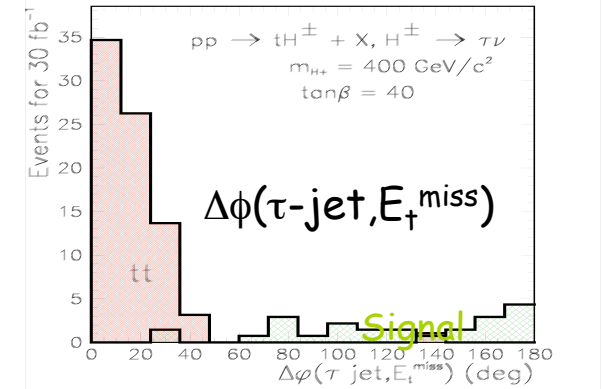
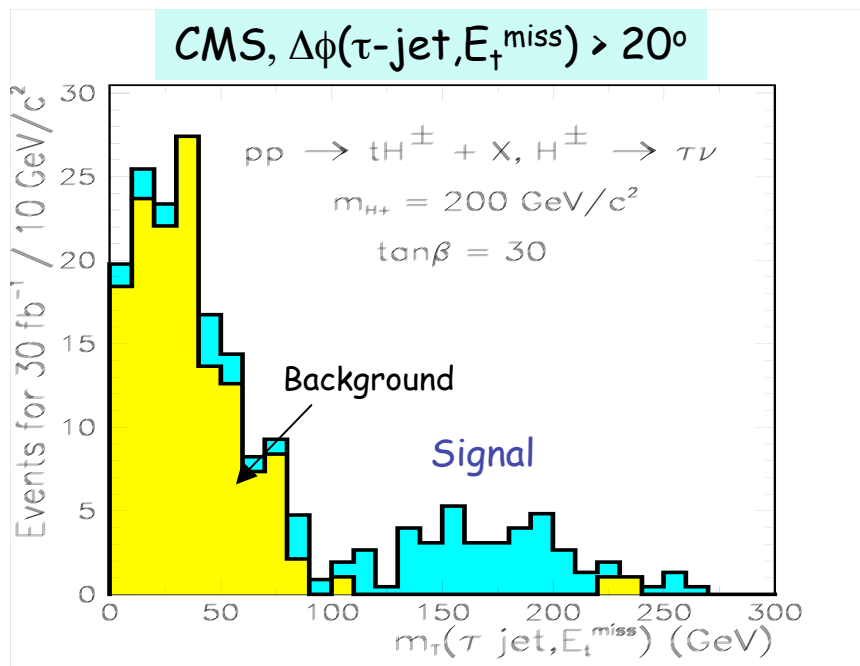
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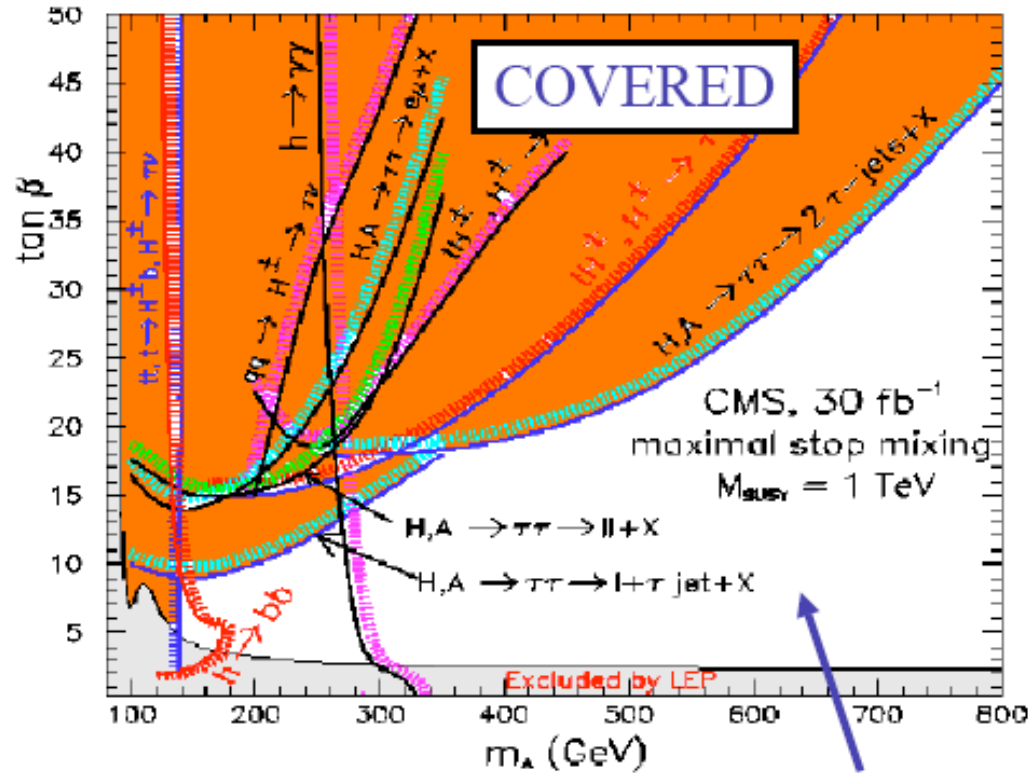
$H^\pm \rightarrow \tau\nu$: mass reconstruction



Quasi two-body decay between the τ jet and E_t^{miss} in fully hadronic events \rightarrow almost background-free situation in $m_T(\tau\text{-jet}, E_t^{\text{miss}})$



Precision of m_{H^\pm} measurement from $m_T(\tau\text{-jet}, E_t^{\text{miss}})$ with likelihood fits: $\Delta m_{H^\pm}/m_{H^\pm} \sim 1 - 1.5\%$



Need new ideas to cover low $\tan\beta$ - high m_A region ...

- discovery of the heavy MSSM Higgses limited to upper triangle in $m_A - \tan\beta$ plot
- note: the h^0 can always be found
- problem is that production mechanism (e.g. bbA^0, H^0) needs $\tan\beta$ enhancement