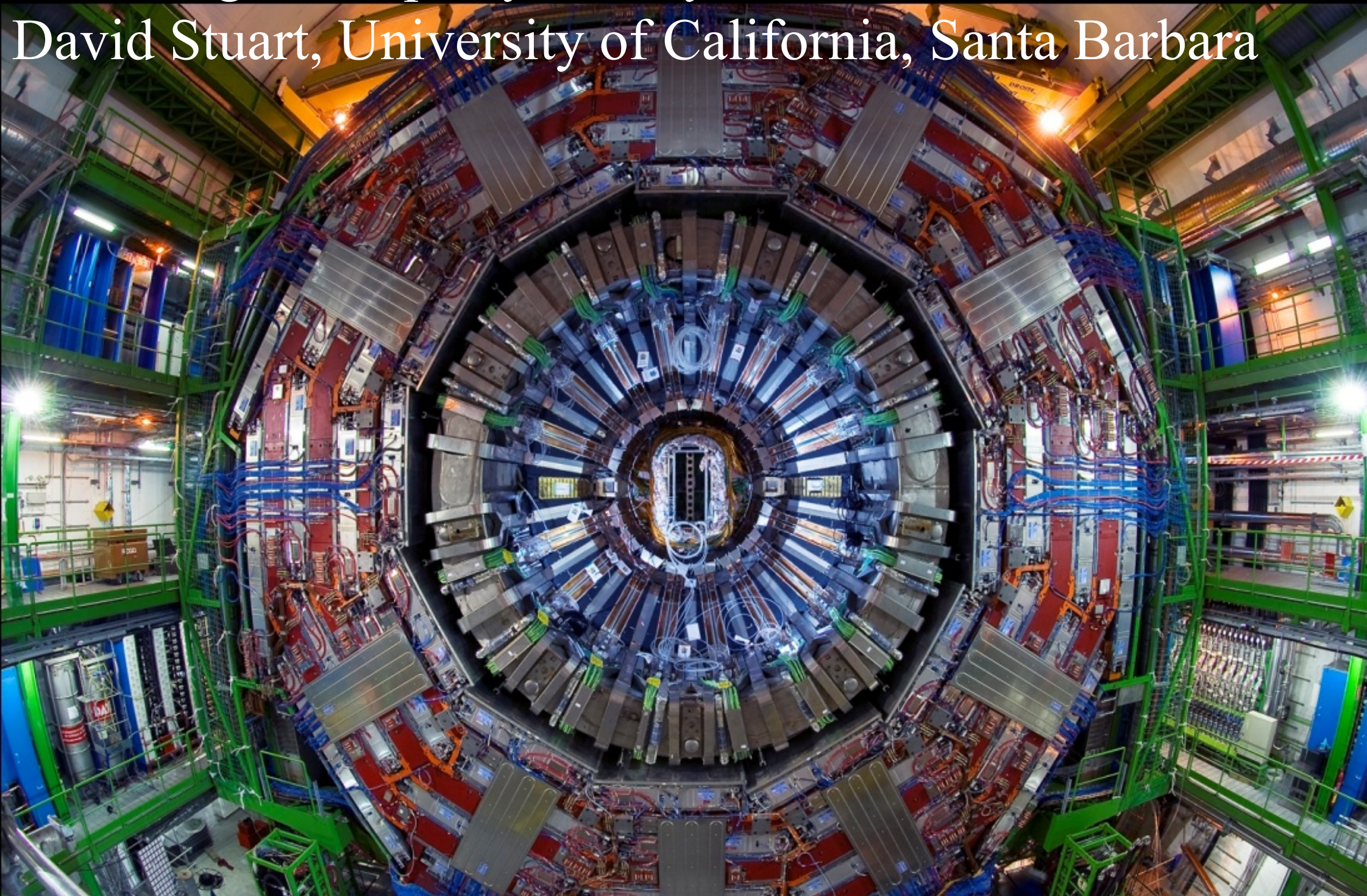


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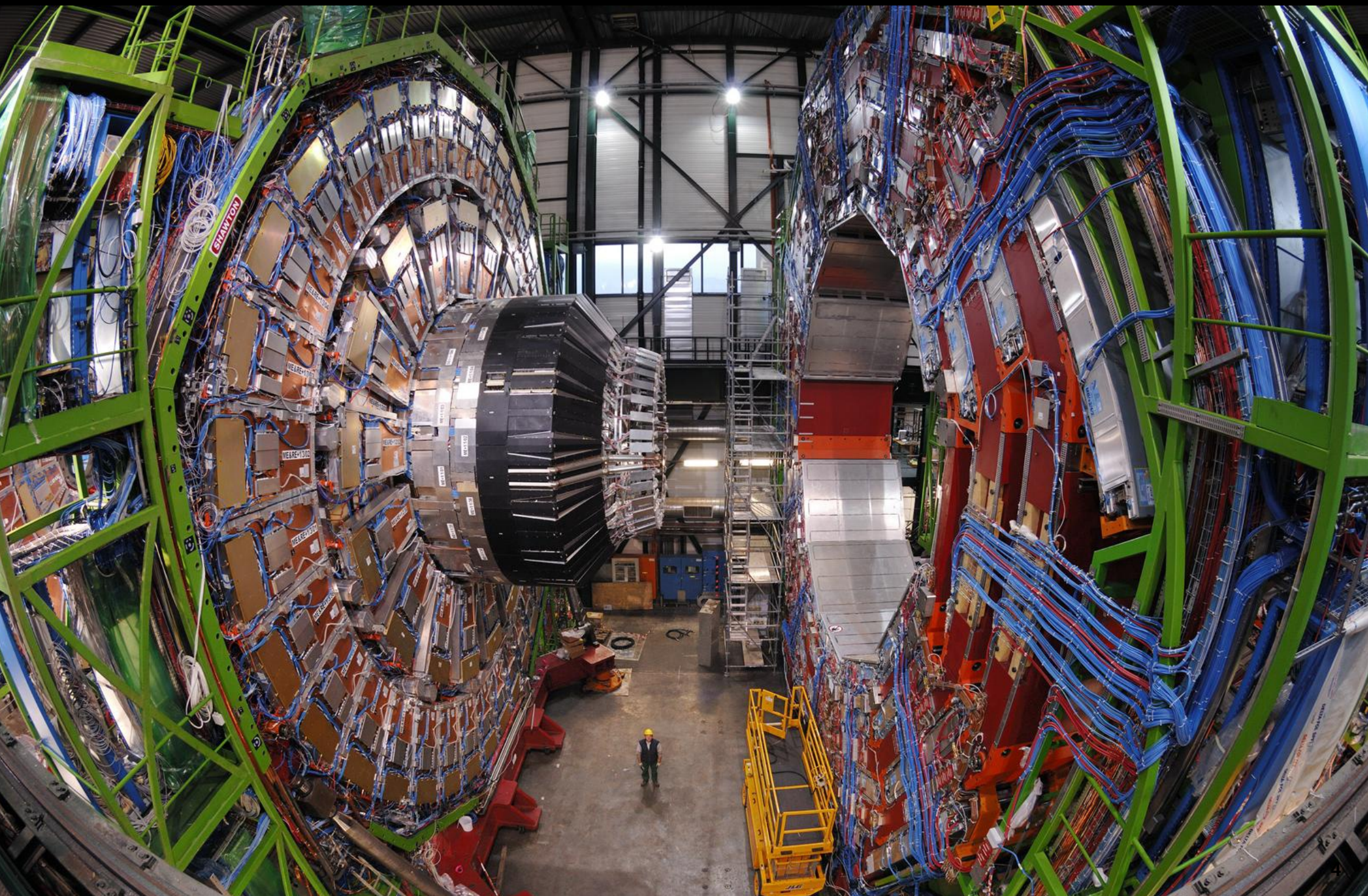
SUSY Introduction

Search Strategy

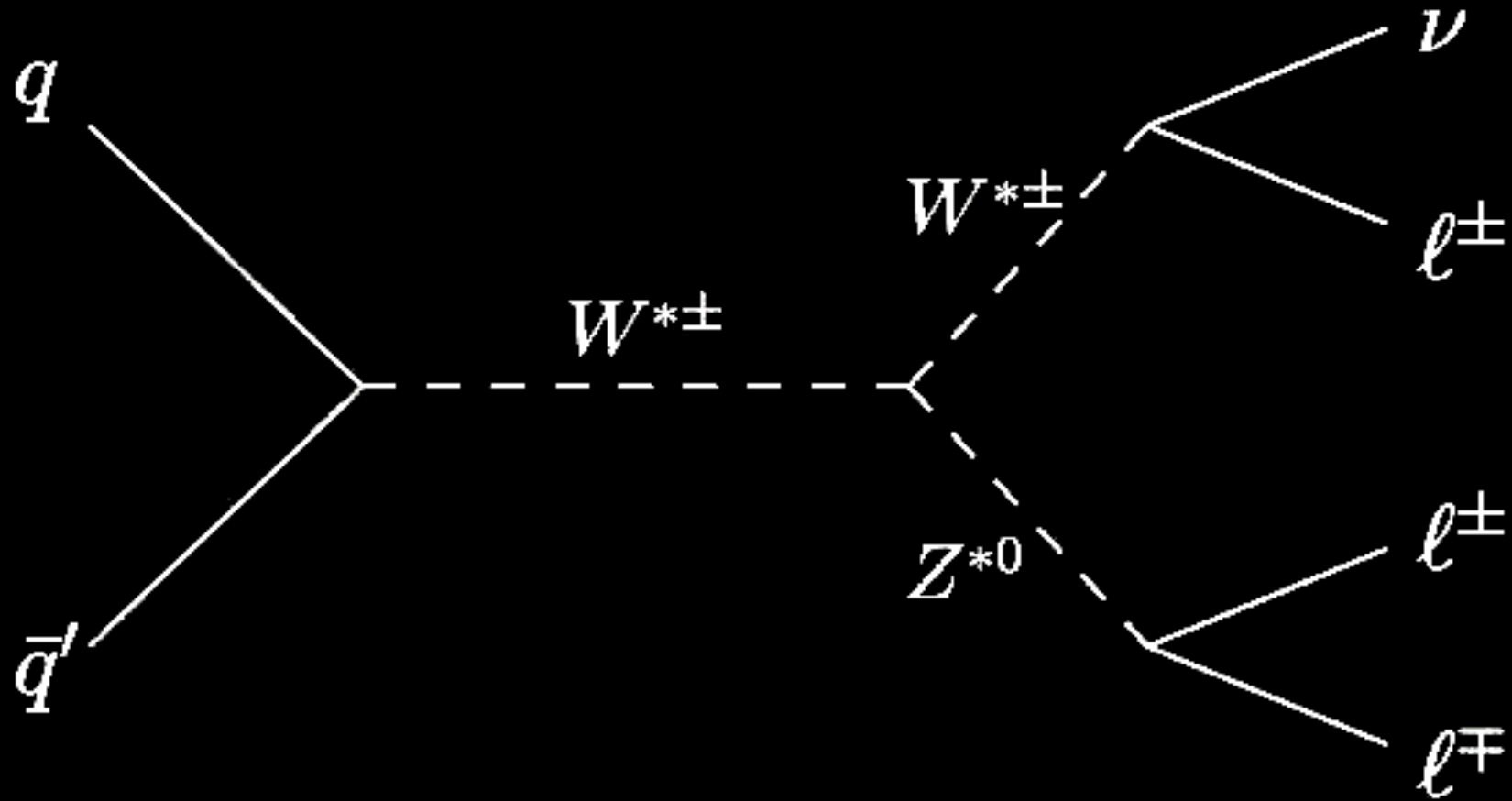
Single lepton search

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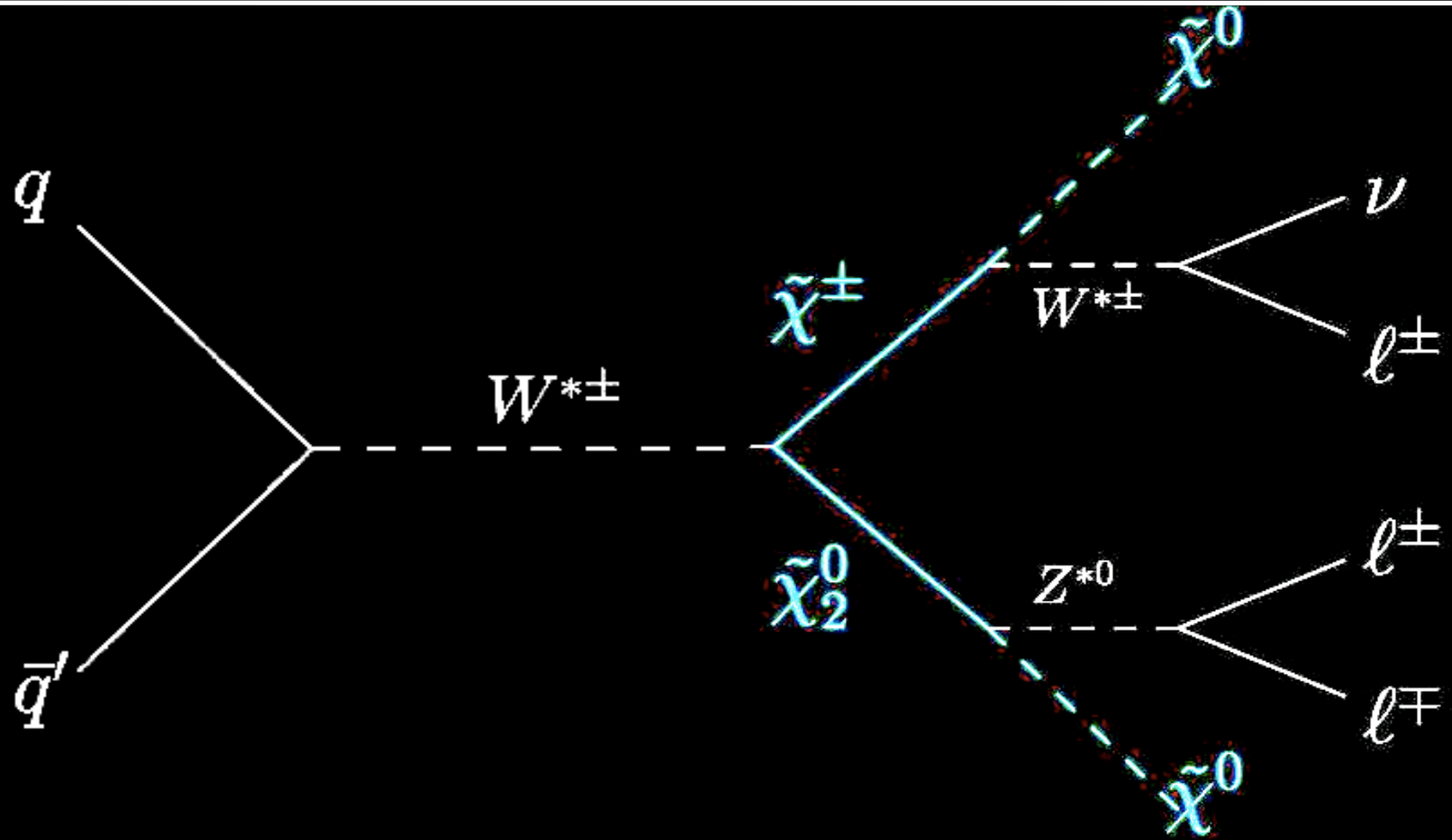


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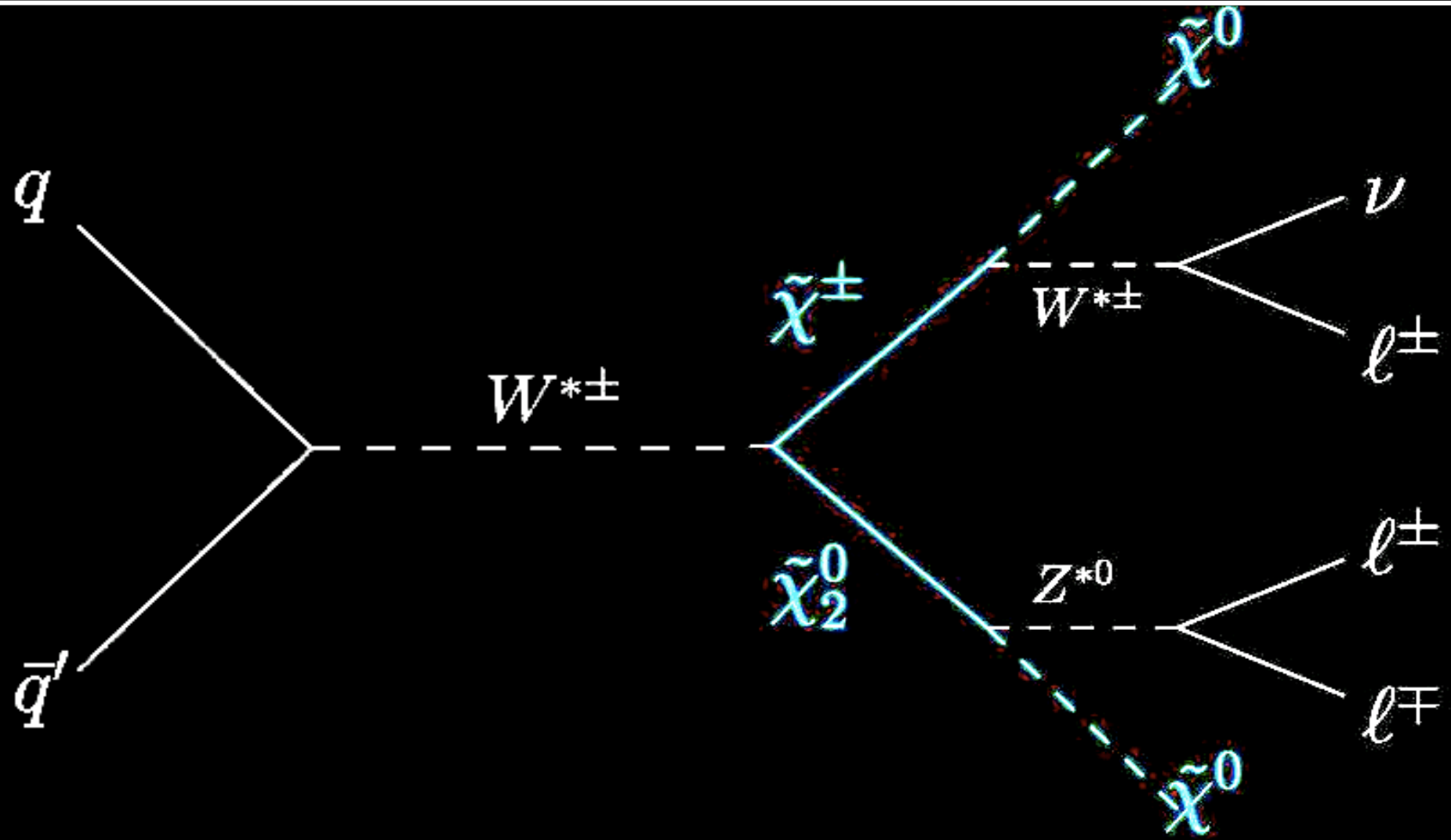
The same diagram that produces WZ in SM...

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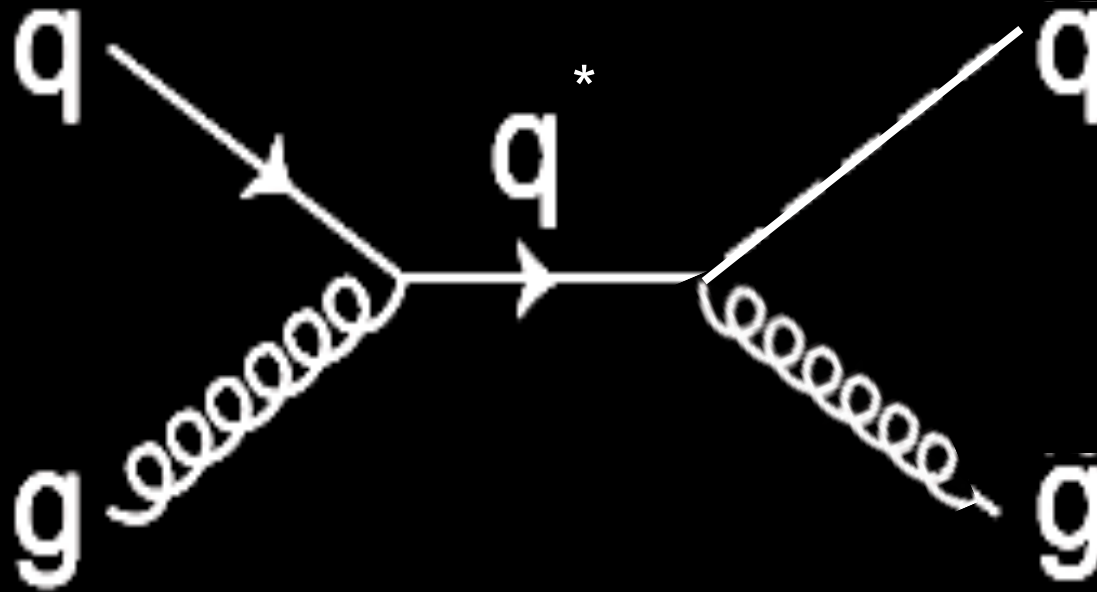


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Lightest SUSY particle (LSP) is stable if R-Parity conserved.

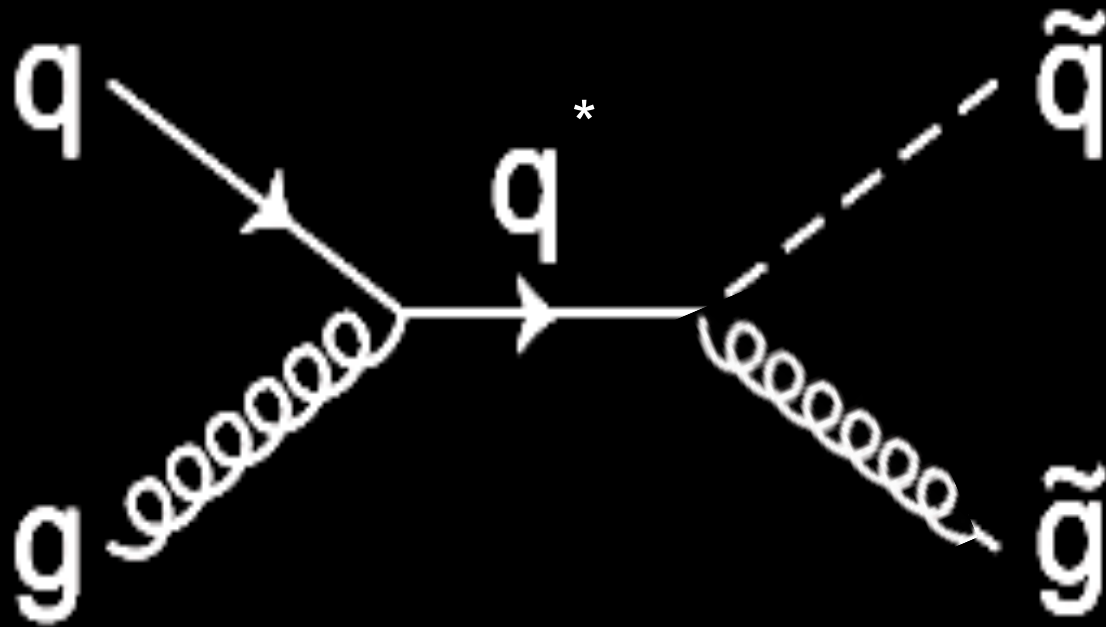
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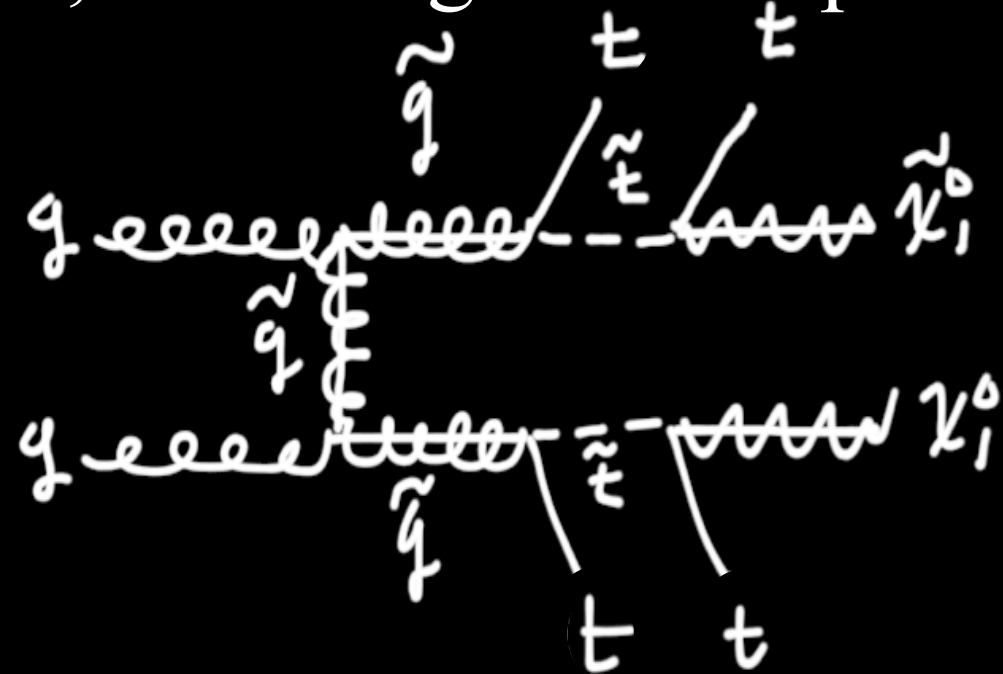
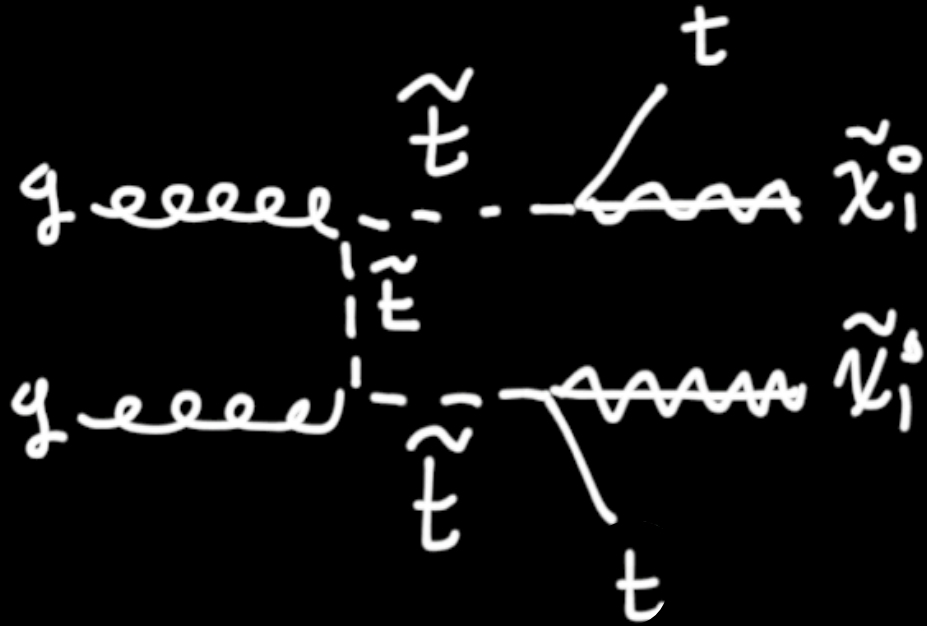
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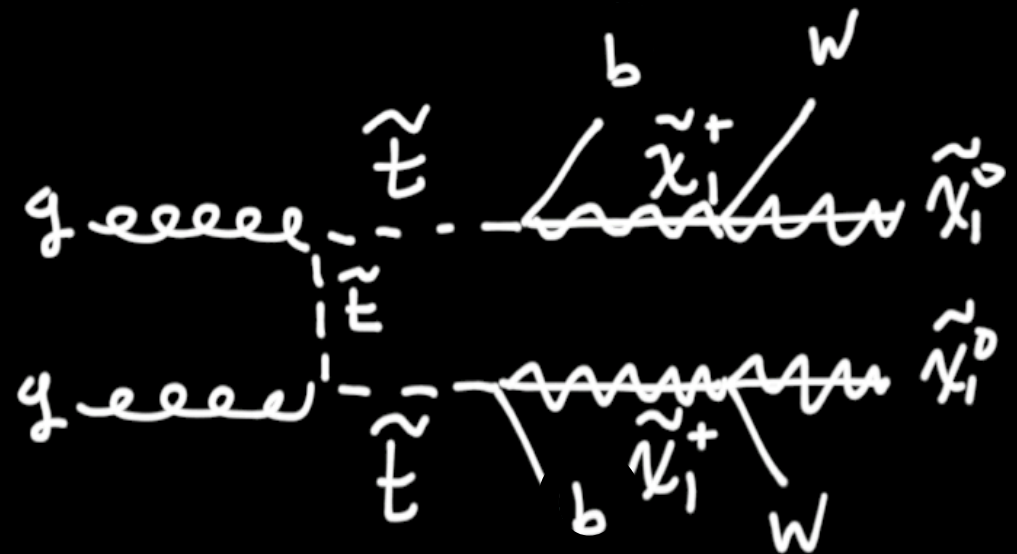


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Strong production also possible, including scalar tops.



Can lead to complex & varied final state signatures



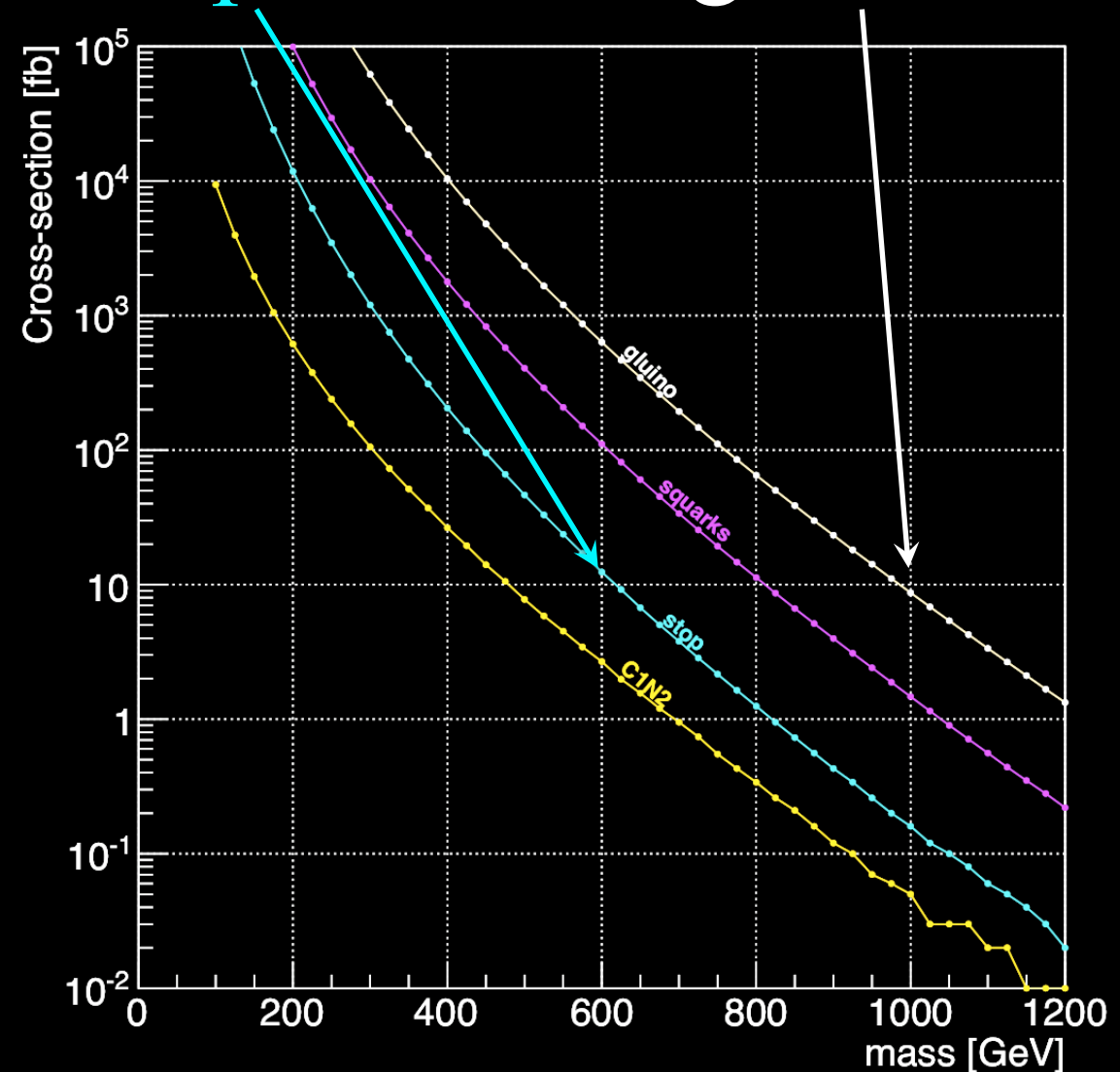
How to search for SUSY?

Cross-section is calculable given masses.

E.g.: 10/fb for 600 GeV **stop** or 1 TeV gluino

Could produce
thousands at
lower masses.

The challenge is to
discriminate them.



Varied final state search modes

Multijets + MET

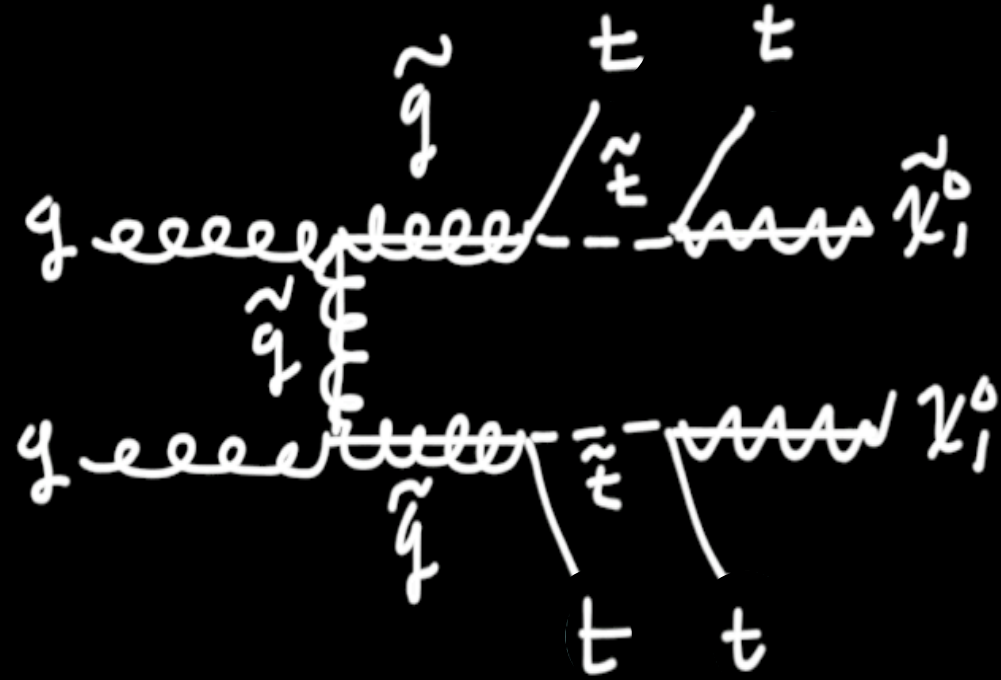
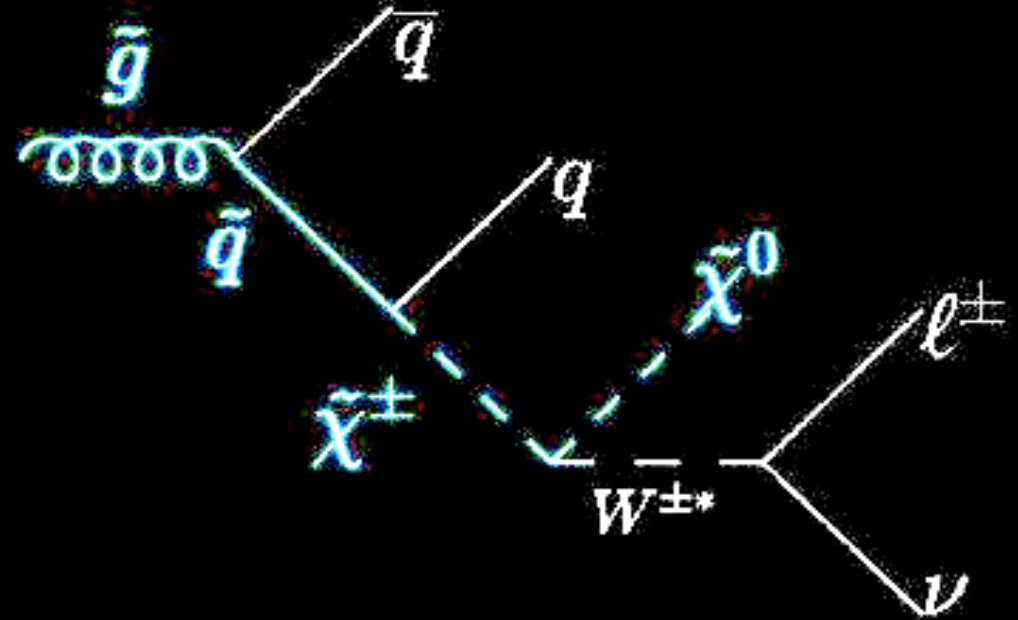
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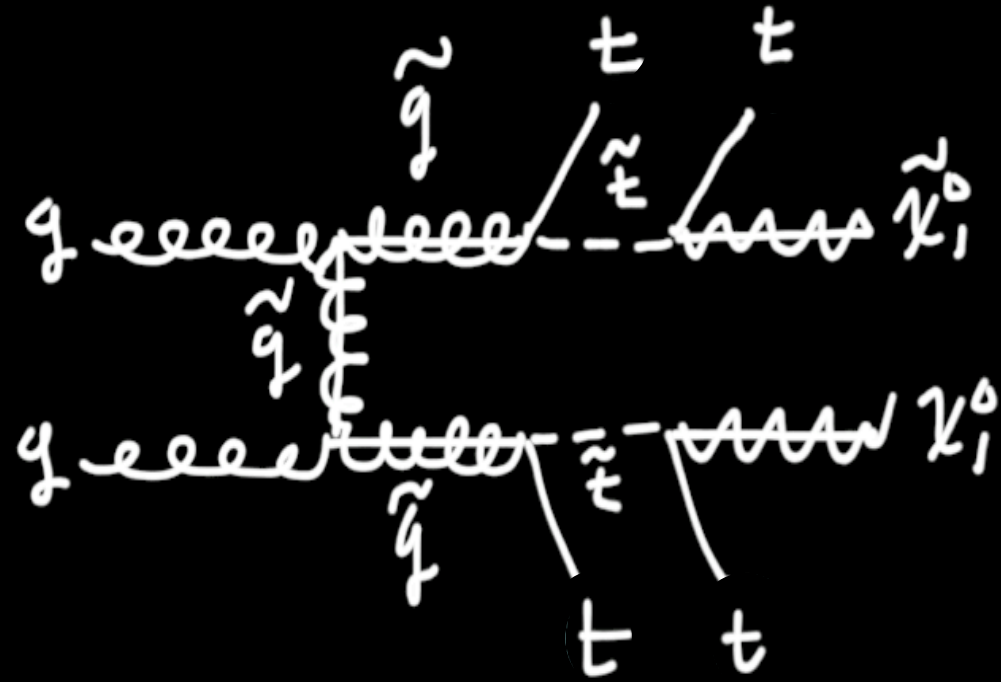
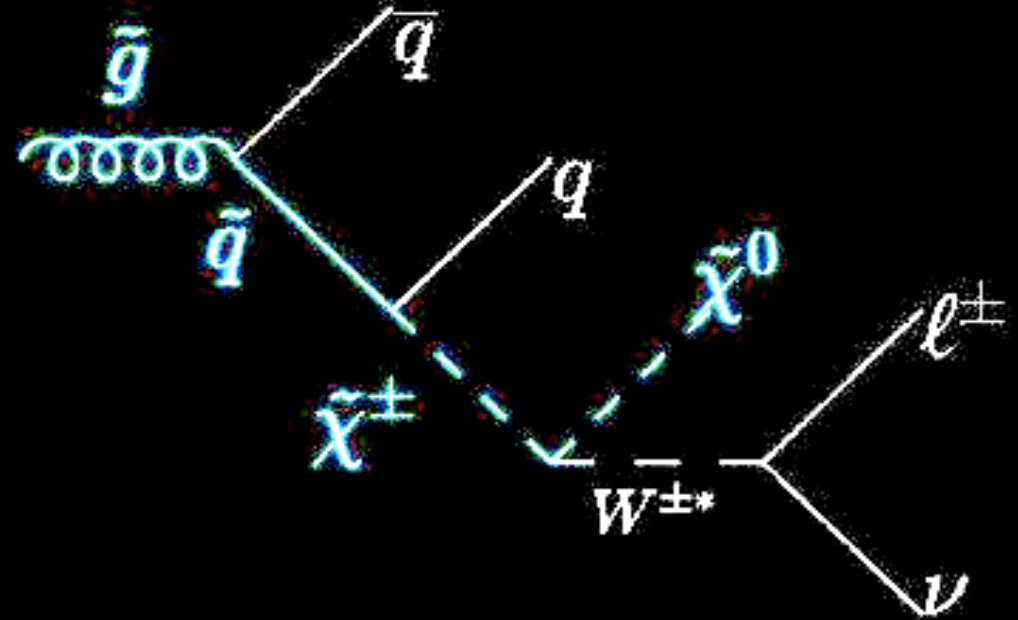
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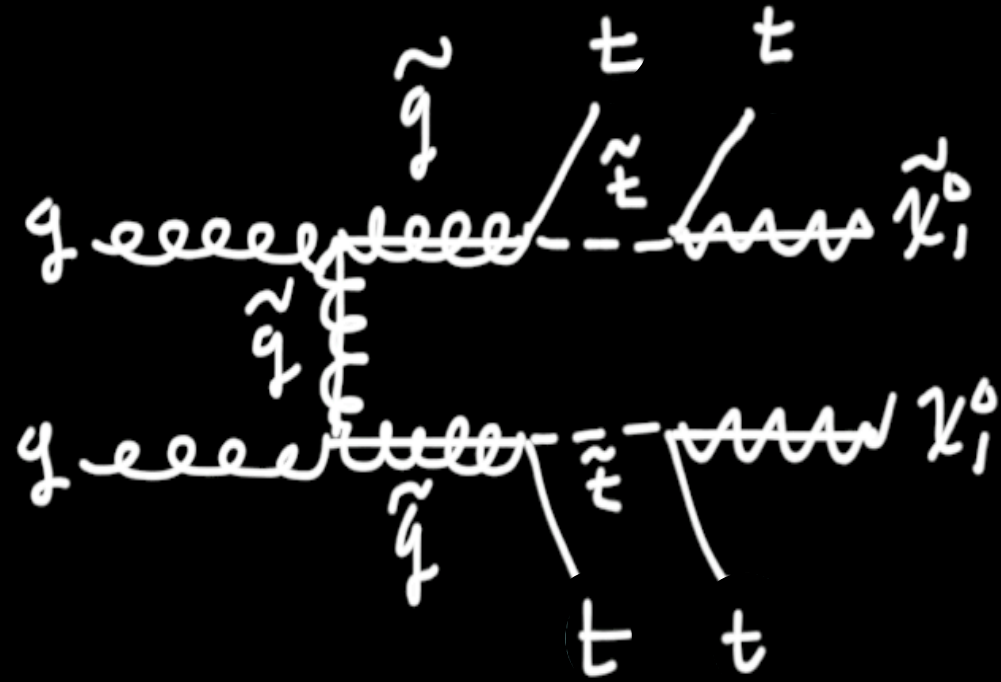
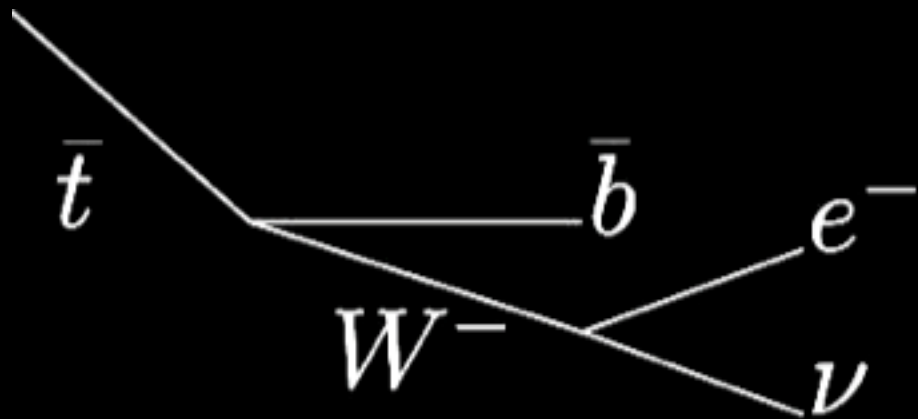
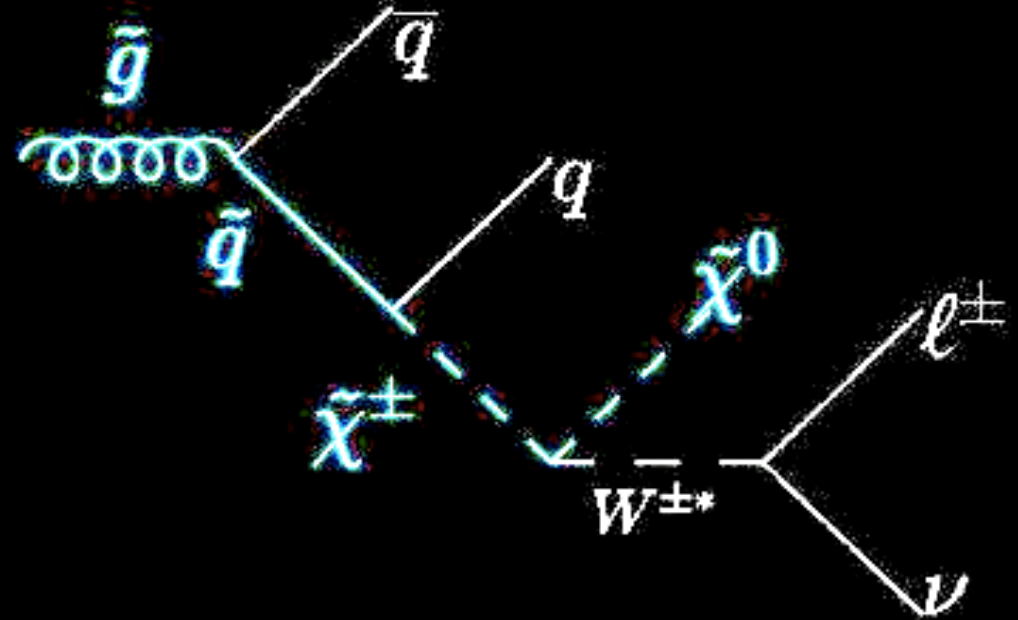
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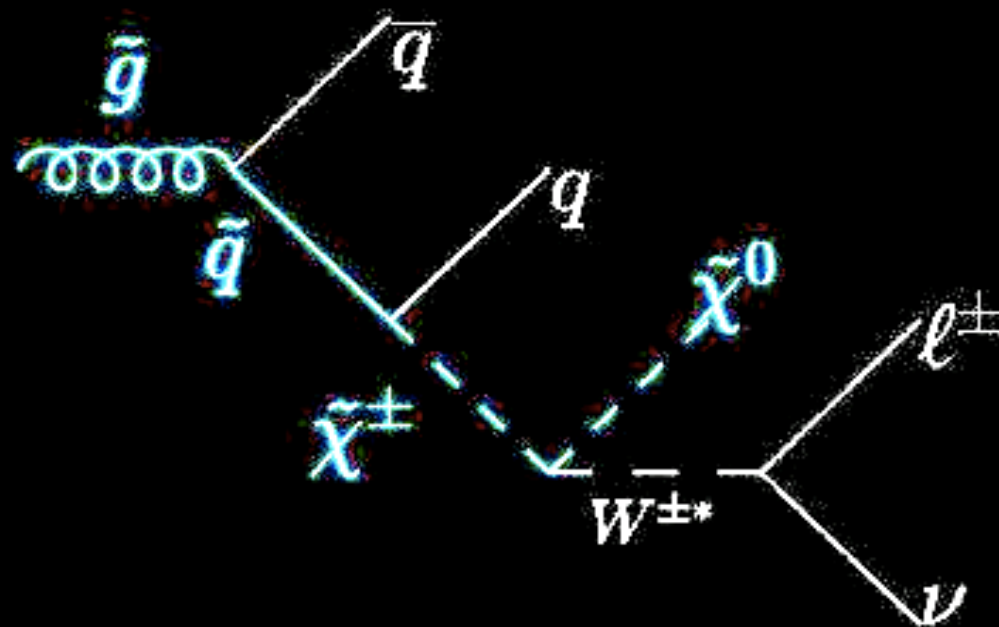
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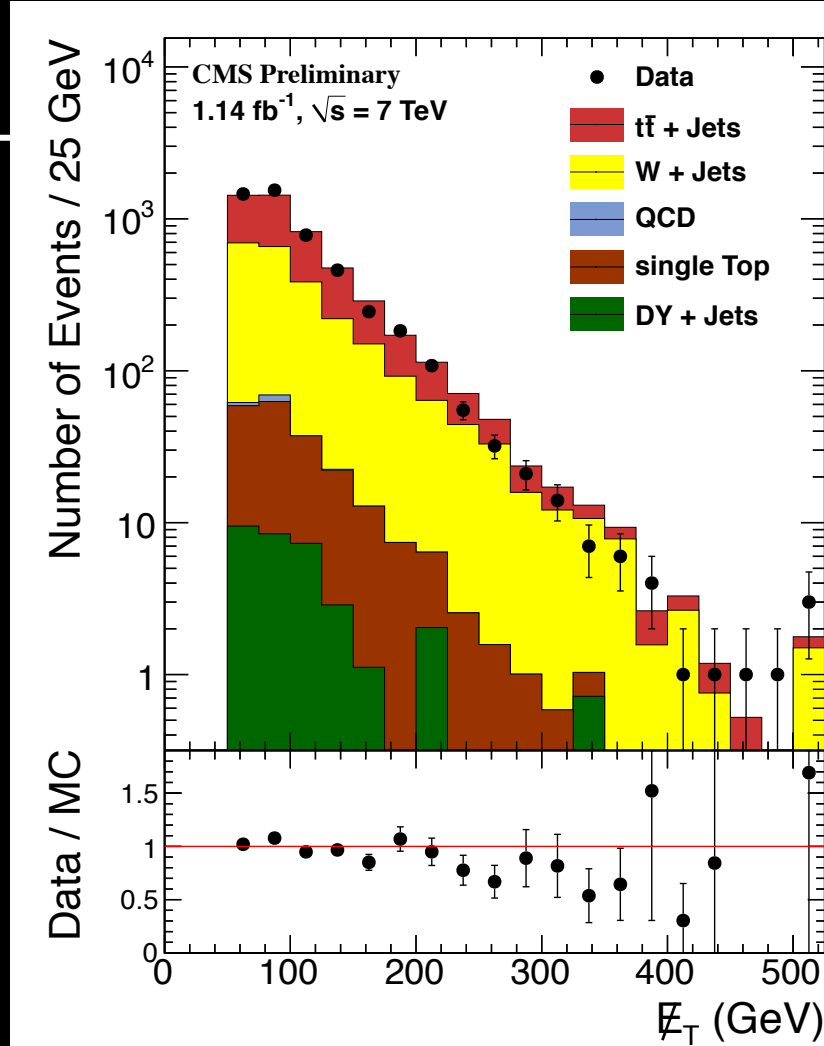


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Single lepton + jets + MET

Key experimental challenge
is to predict the MET
spectrum.

Monte Carlo untrustworthy:
e.g., tails of kinematics &
resolution, and W/top mix.

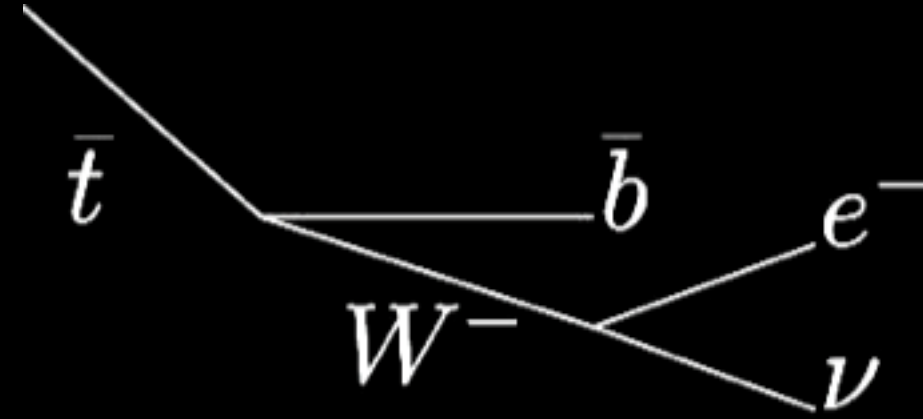


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Predicting the MET spectrum

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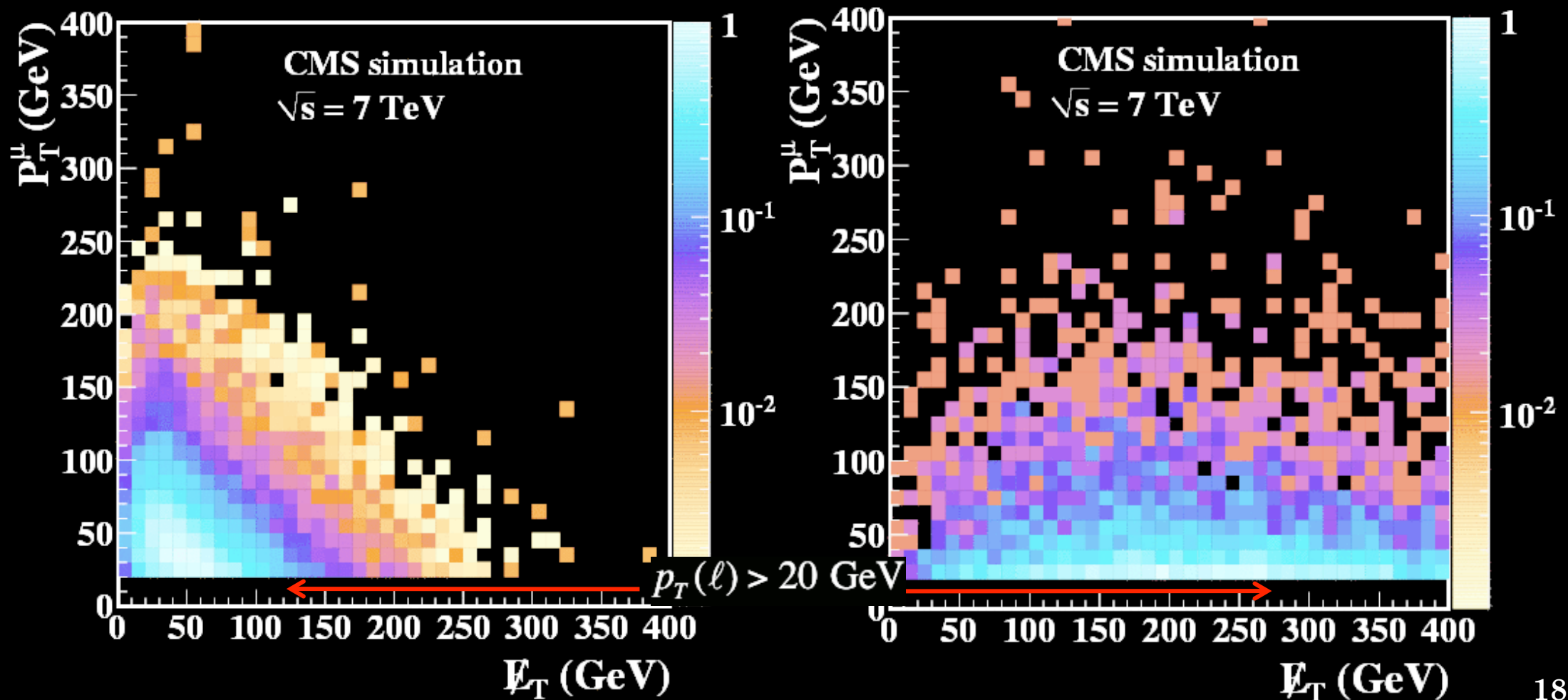
1. Neutrino p_T
2. Resolutions
3. Missed MET



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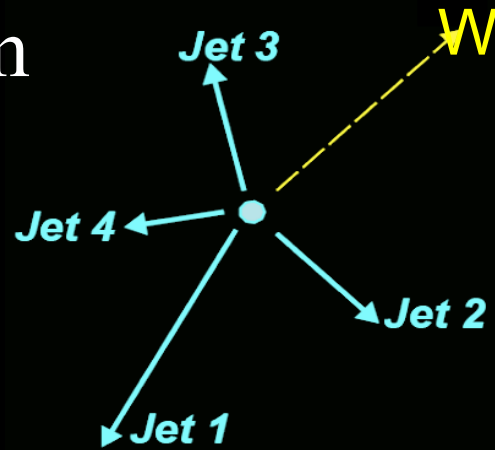
There are several important corrections due to:

- Polarization
- Lepton p_T threshold
- Contamination to μ p_T spectrum

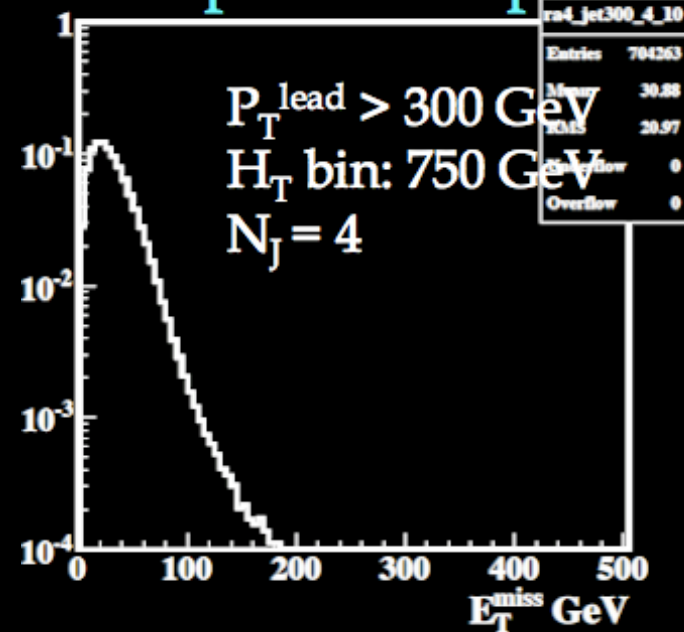
Small & measureable in Monte Carlo simulation

Predicting the MET spectrum; resolution

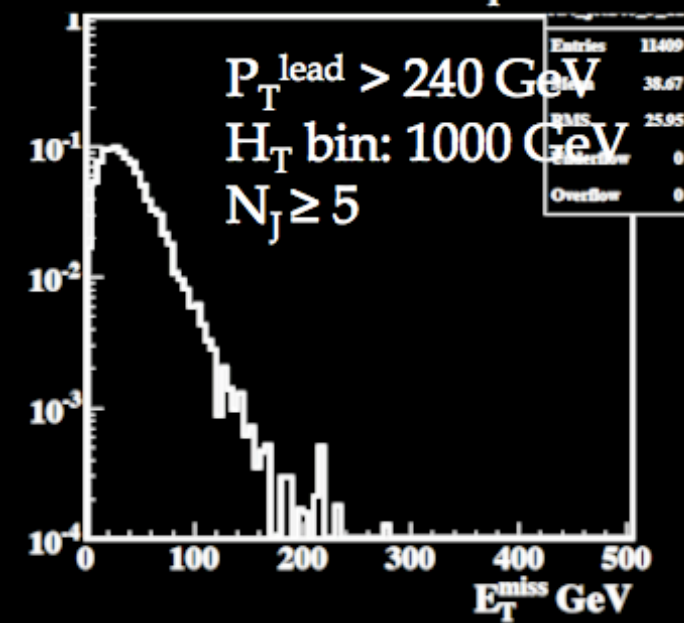
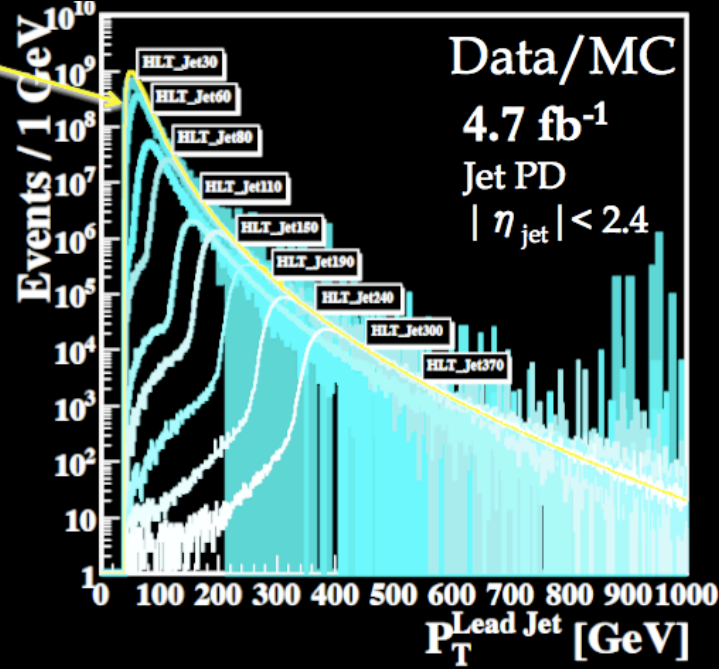
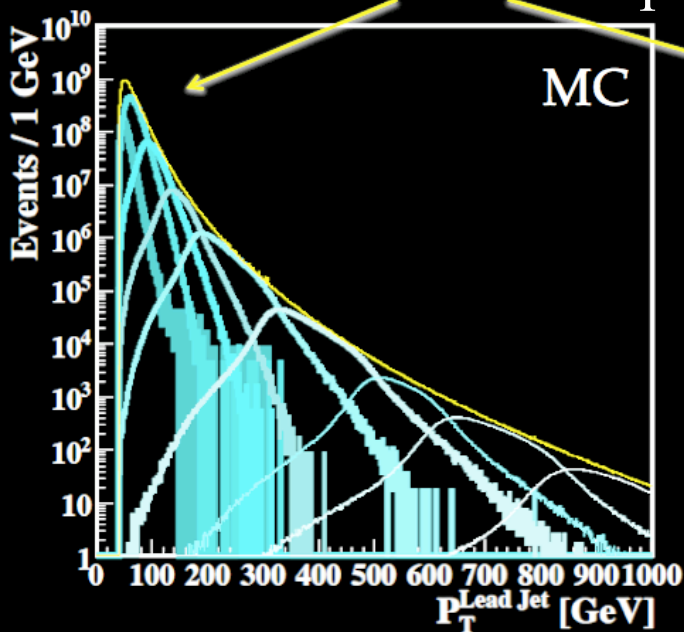
Resolution effects come from the jet system; measure it in equivalent events and add vectorially.



Example of templates:



O(1B) events of data, “stitched” together.
Reasonable MC comparison.



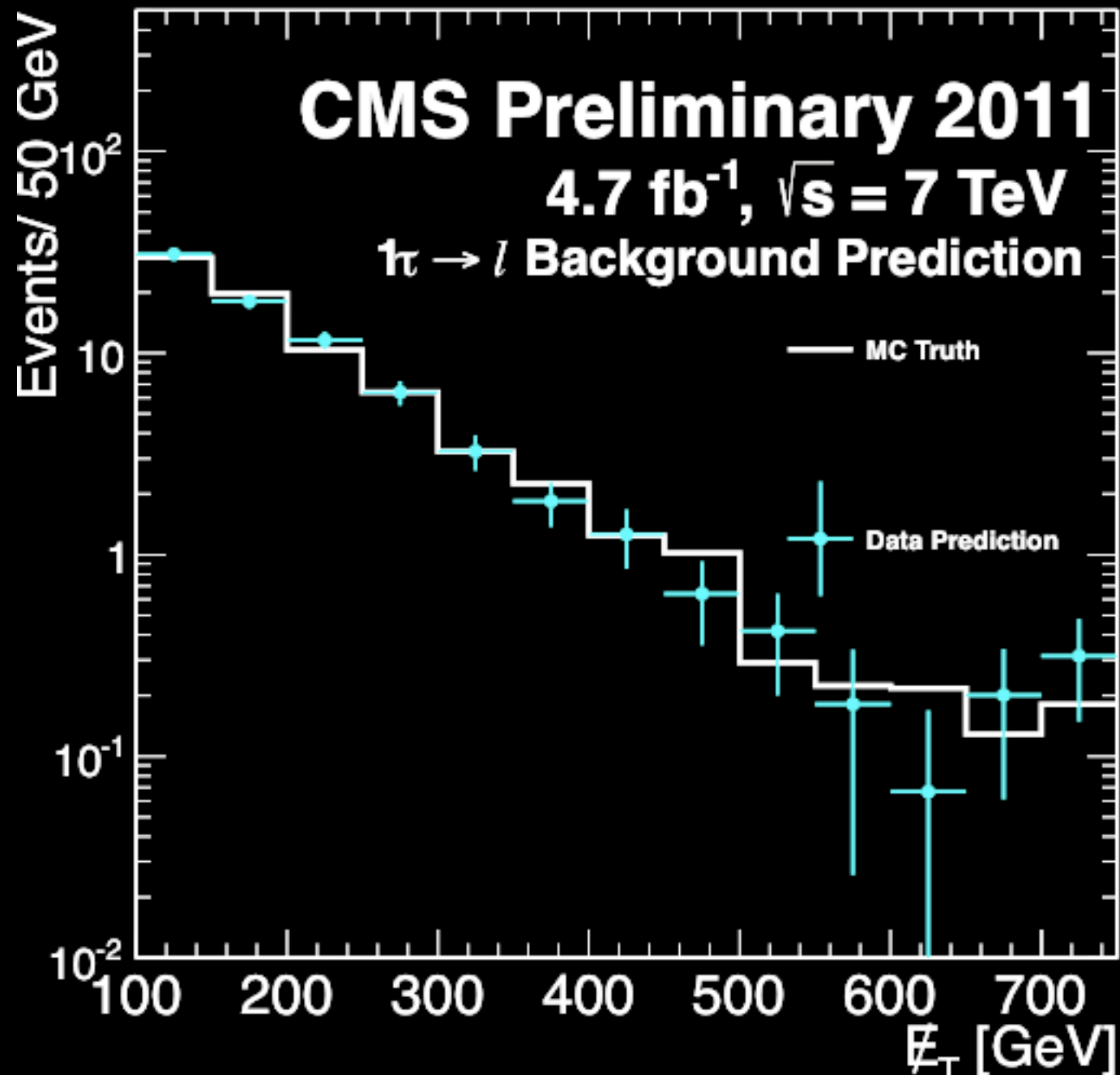
Predicting the MET spectrum; Missing MET

“Missing MET” from
other neutrinos or
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$$W \rightarrow \tau \nu \rightarrow \mu \nu \nu$$

contributes different
MET shape.

Measure from μ events
with emulated τ decay.



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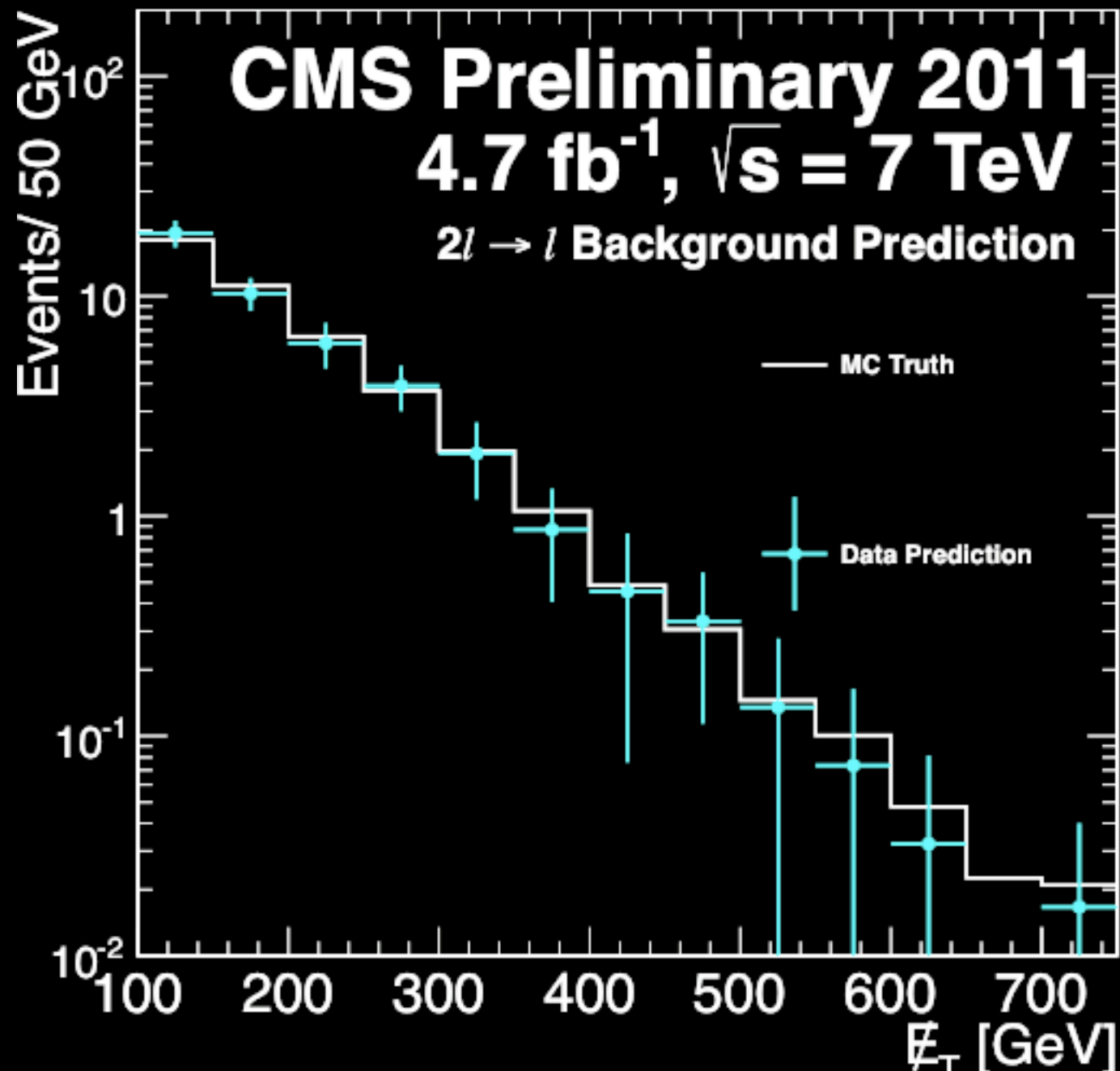
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“Lost dilepton” events
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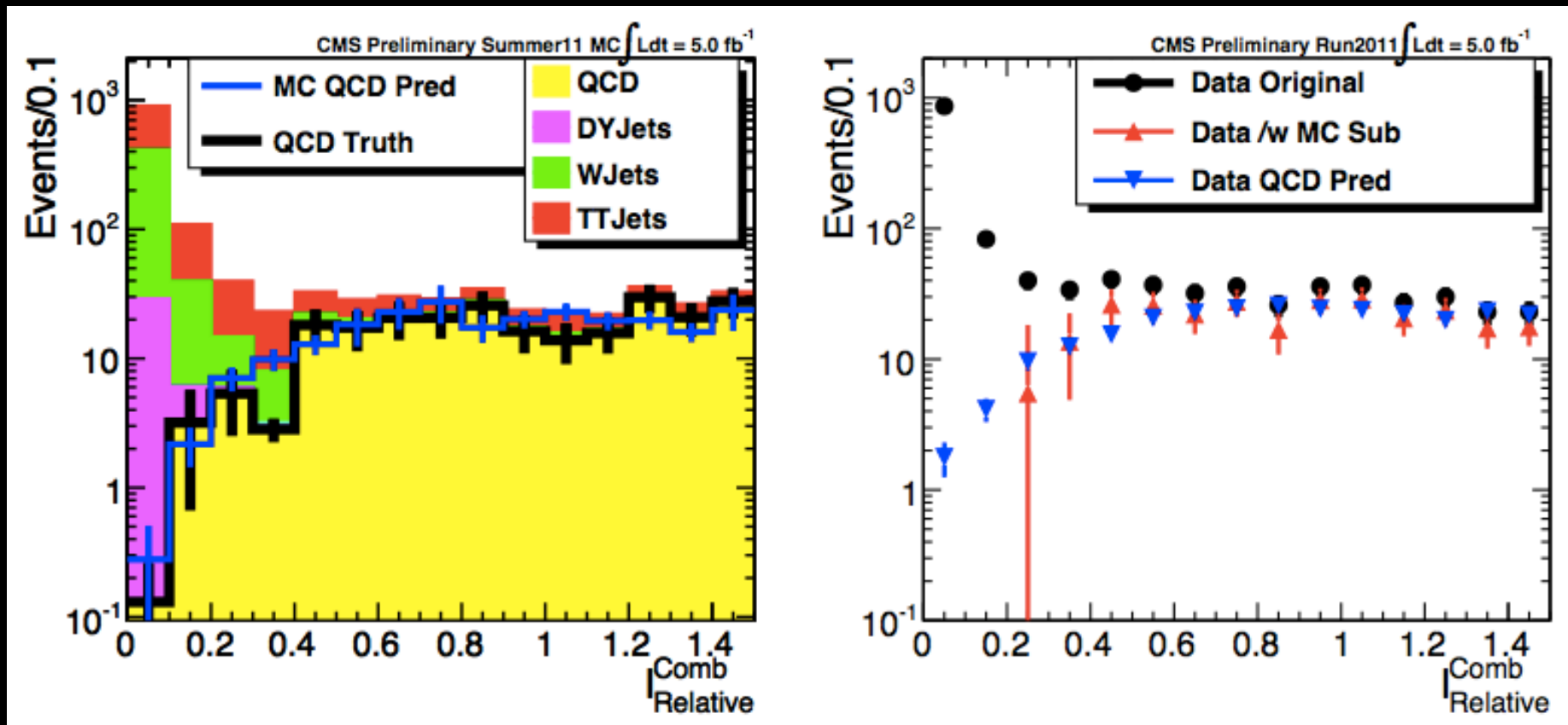
$W \rightarrow \tau\nu$ (hadronic)

Measure with dilepton
events and τ emulation.



Predicting the MET spectrum; QCD

Multijet events contribute via fake leptons to either the μp_T prediction sample or the final high MET sample.
Measured based on isolation shape extrapolation.



Negligible for MET; small for μp_T ; large for $e p_T$.
Prediction uses only μp_T spectrum, w/ a $\mu \rightarrow \mu + e$ correction.

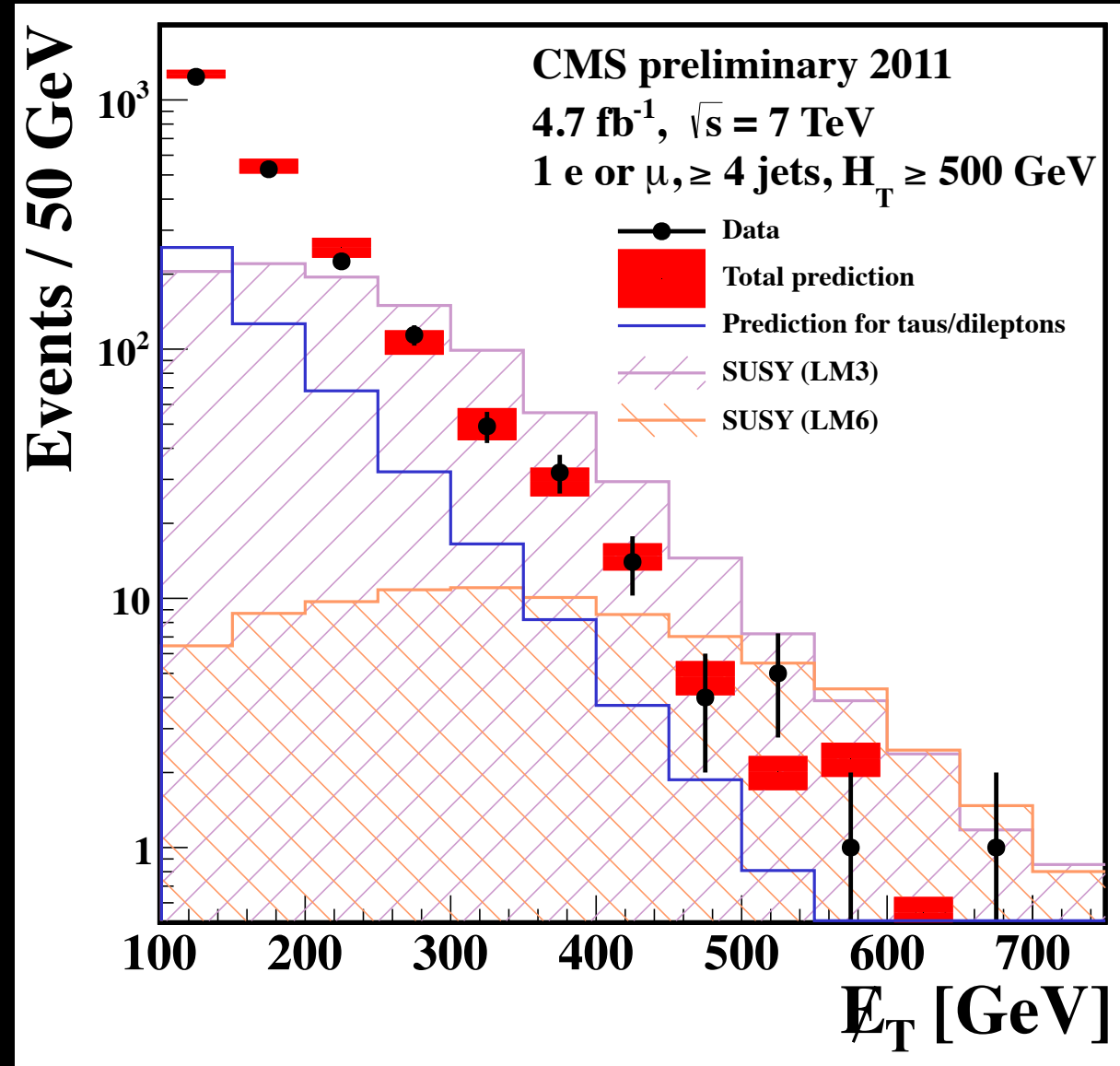
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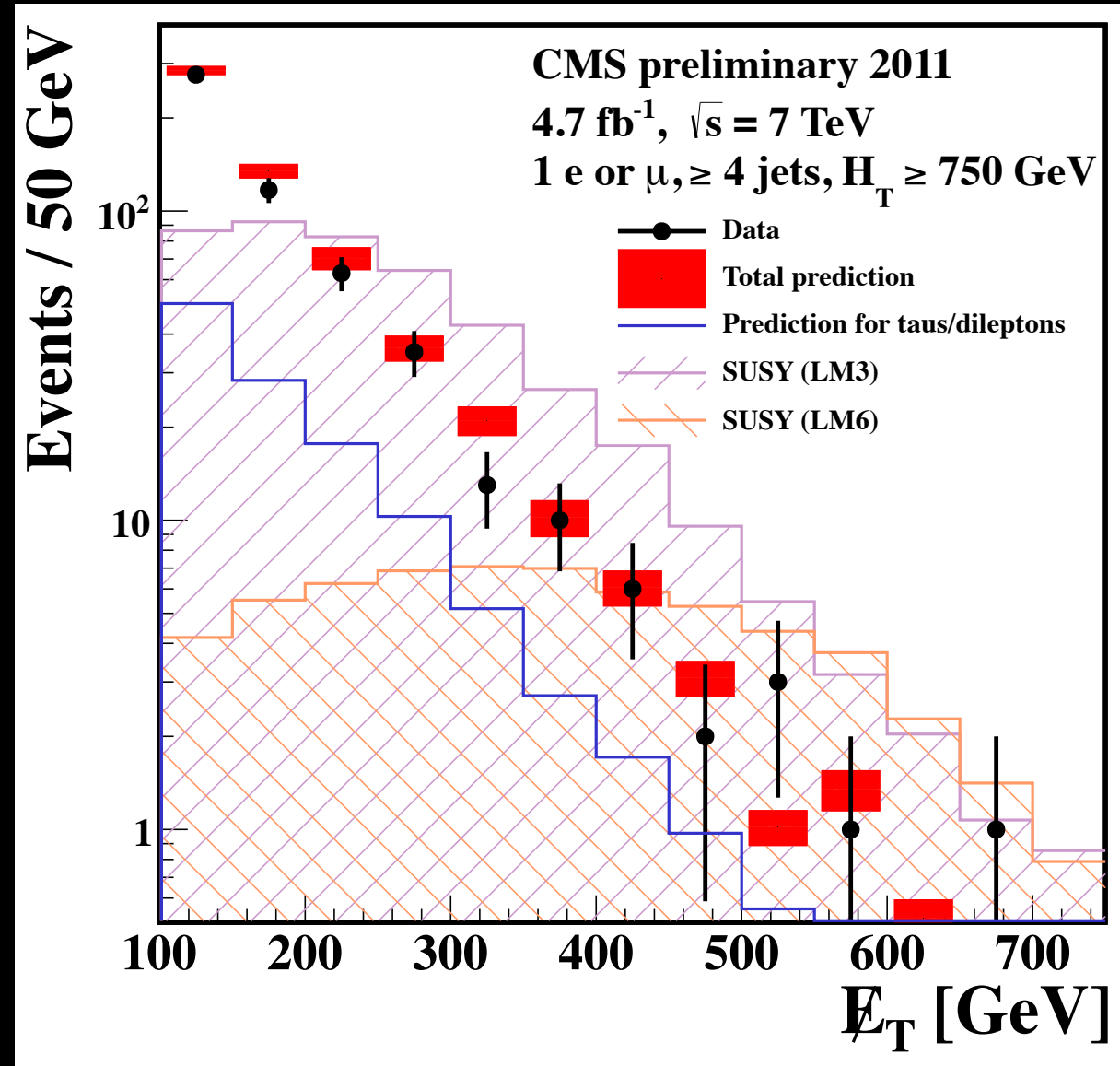
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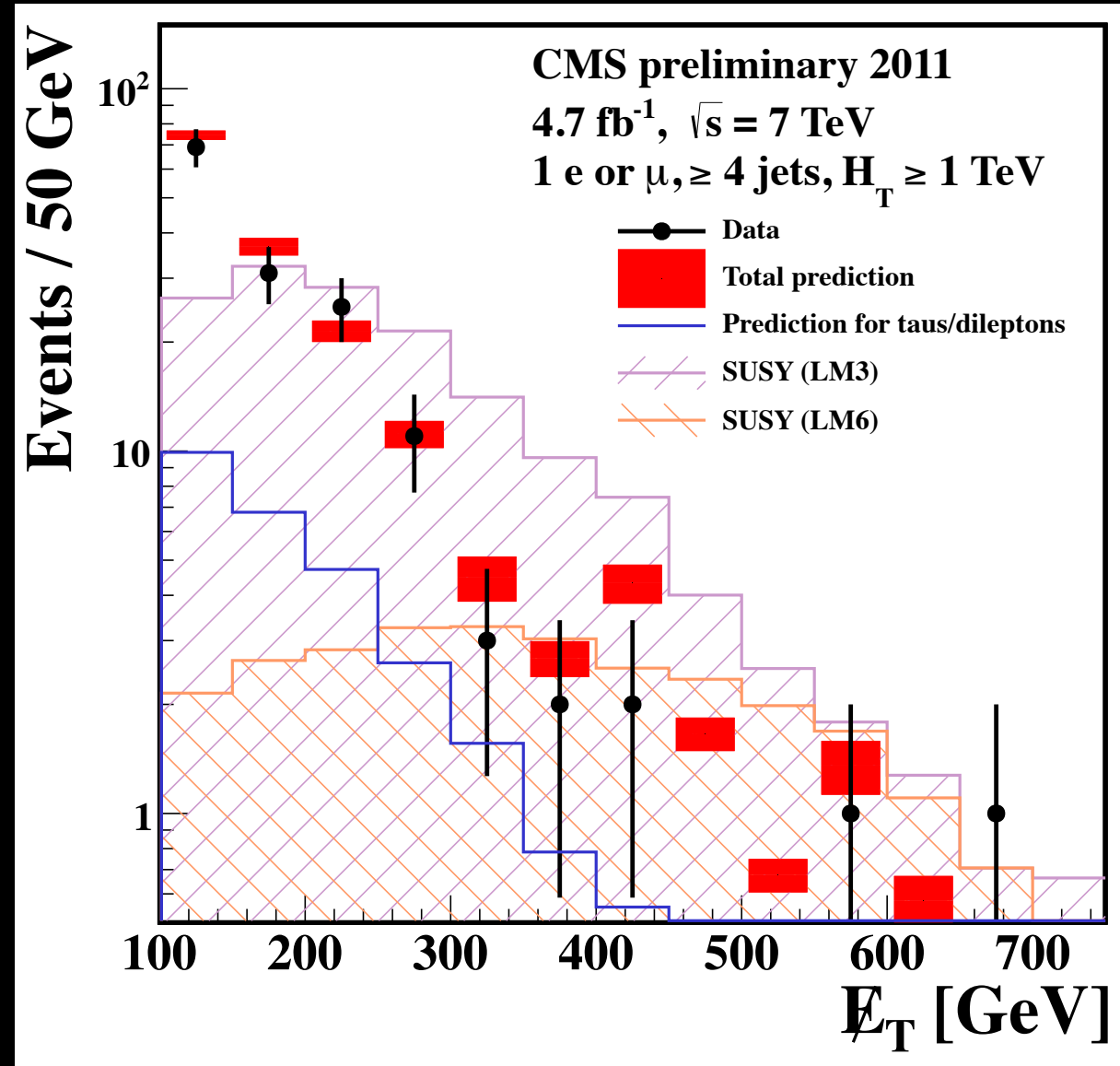
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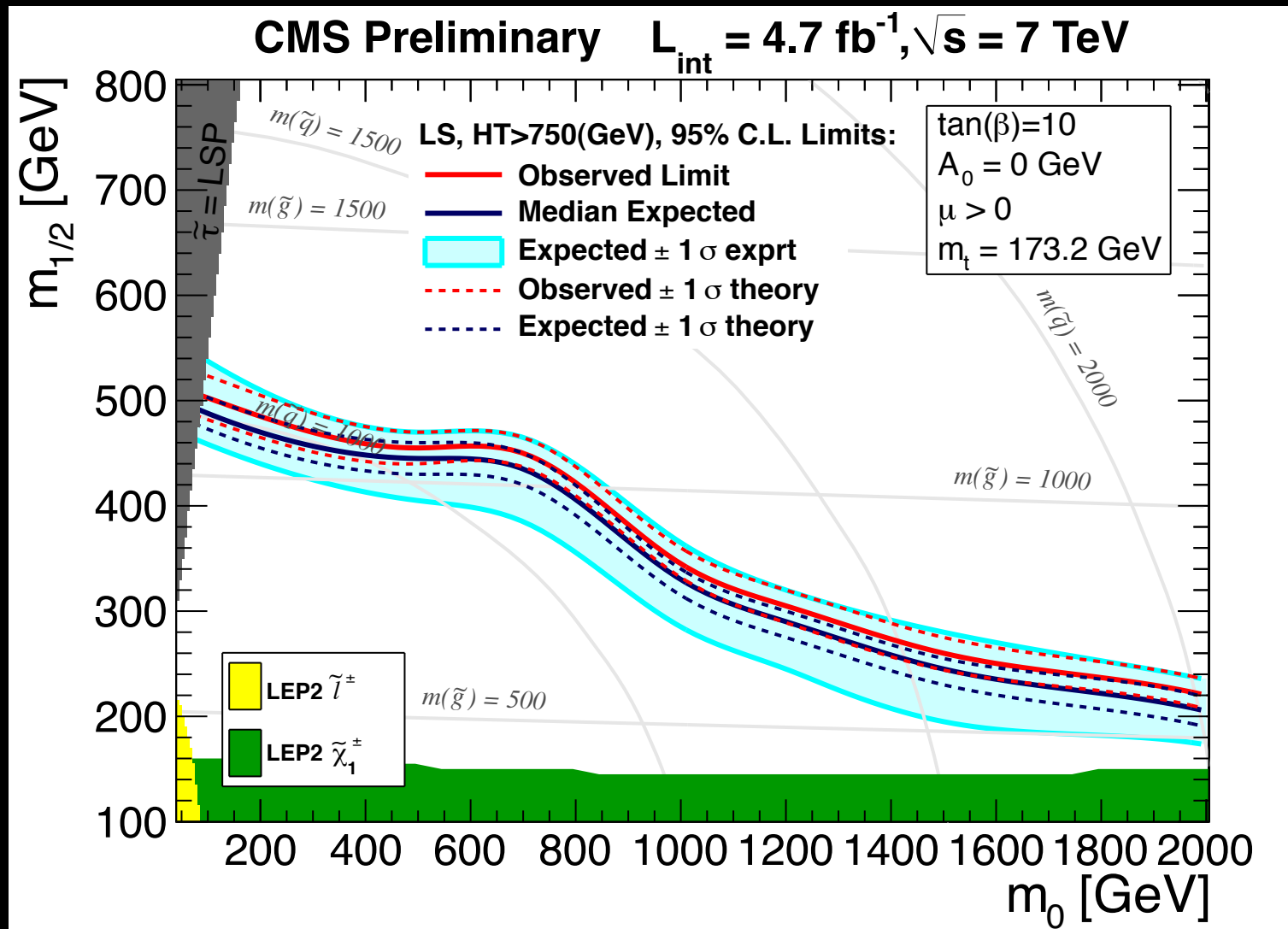
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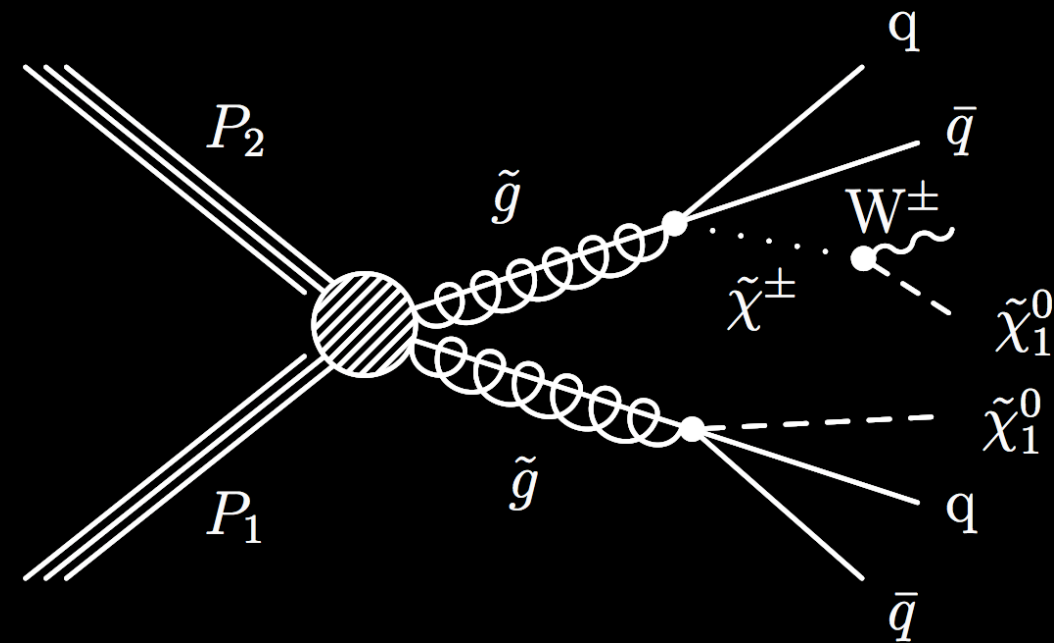
Interpreting the results

The cMSSM plane has been a popular benchmark but it is constrained...

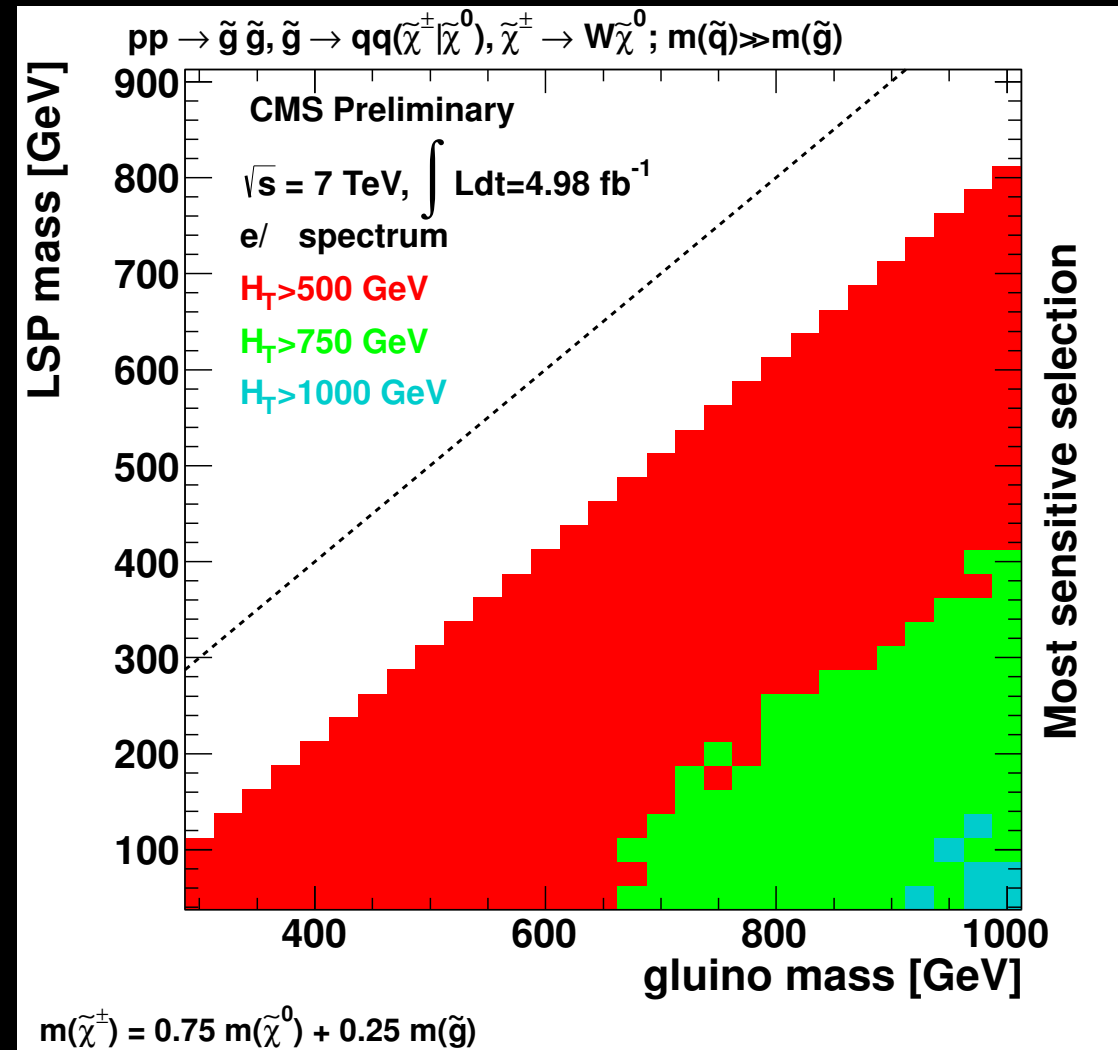


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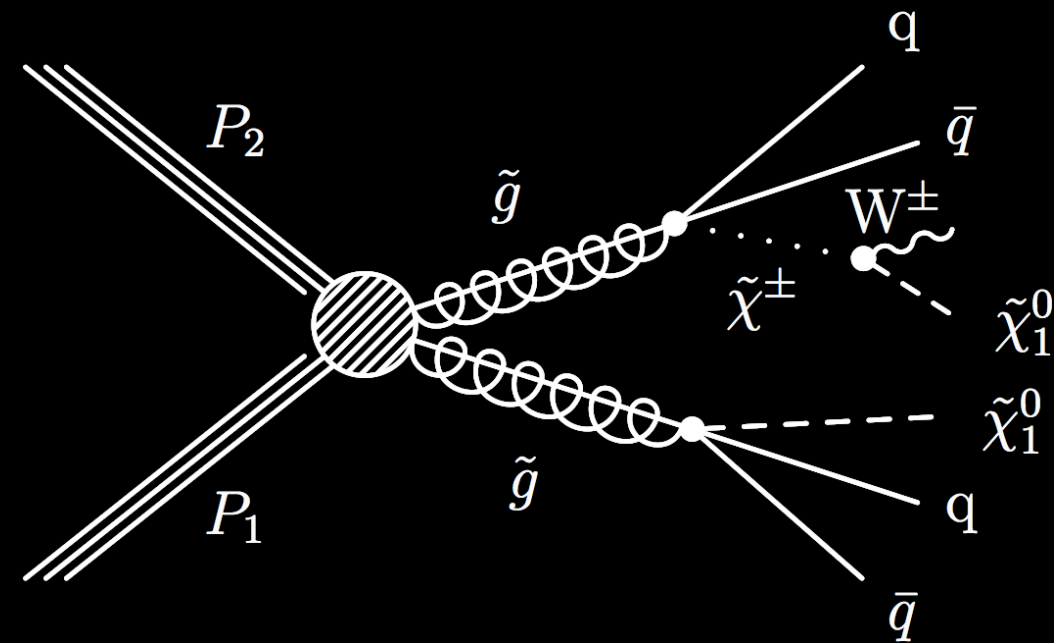


Higher HT cuts better
for higher gluino mass,
unless $\tilde{\chi}^0$ is heavy.

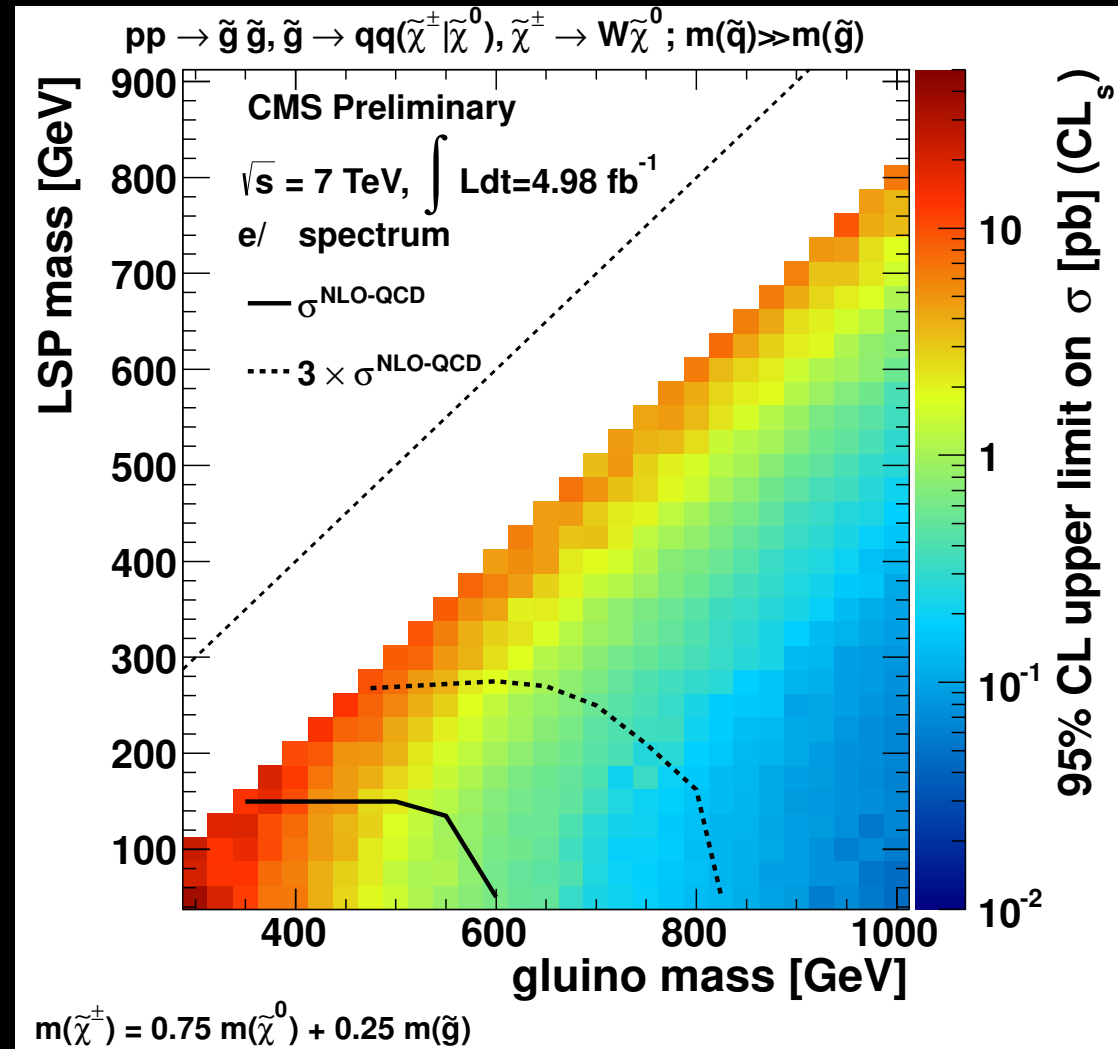


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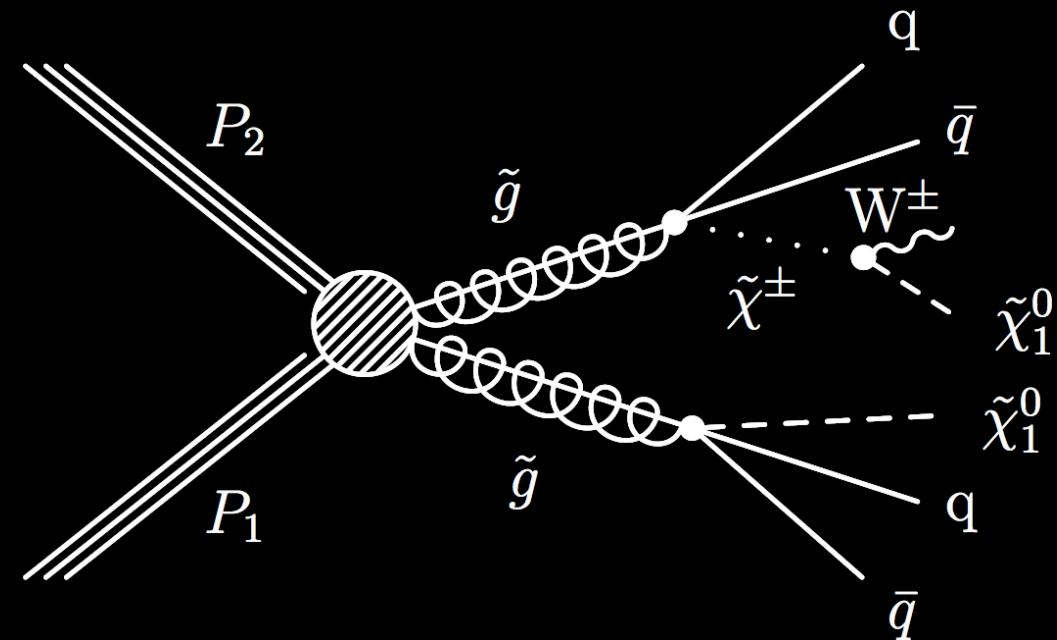
σ limits improve w/
 $m_{\tilde{g}}$ and $m_{\tilde{g}} - m_{\tilde{\chi}^0}$.



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$m_{\tilde{\chi}^\pm}$ changes sensitivity
by about a factor of 2
on the cross-section.

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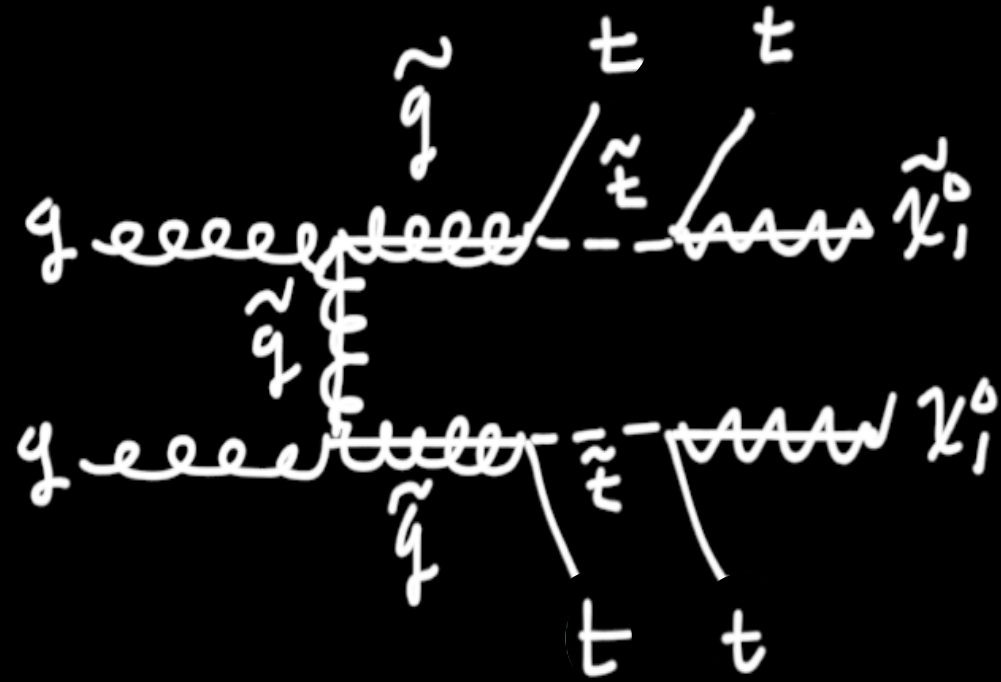
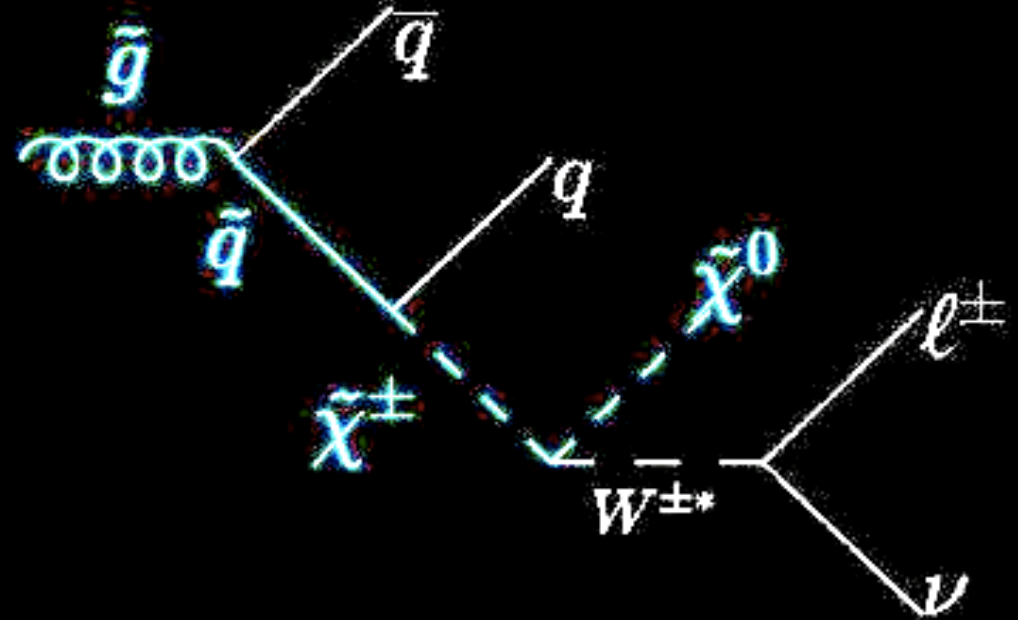
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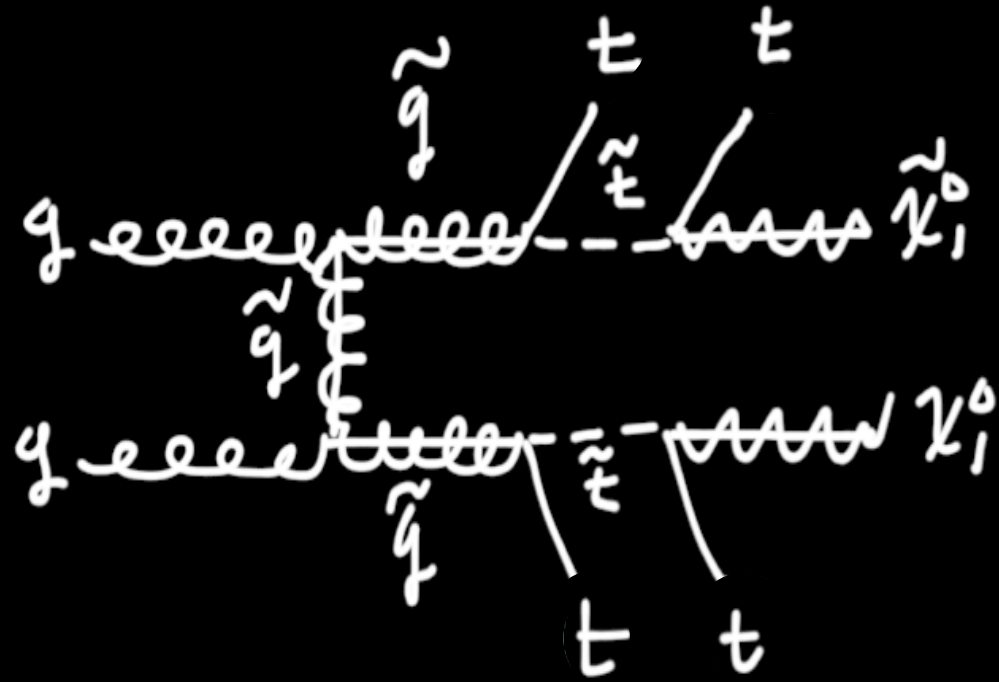
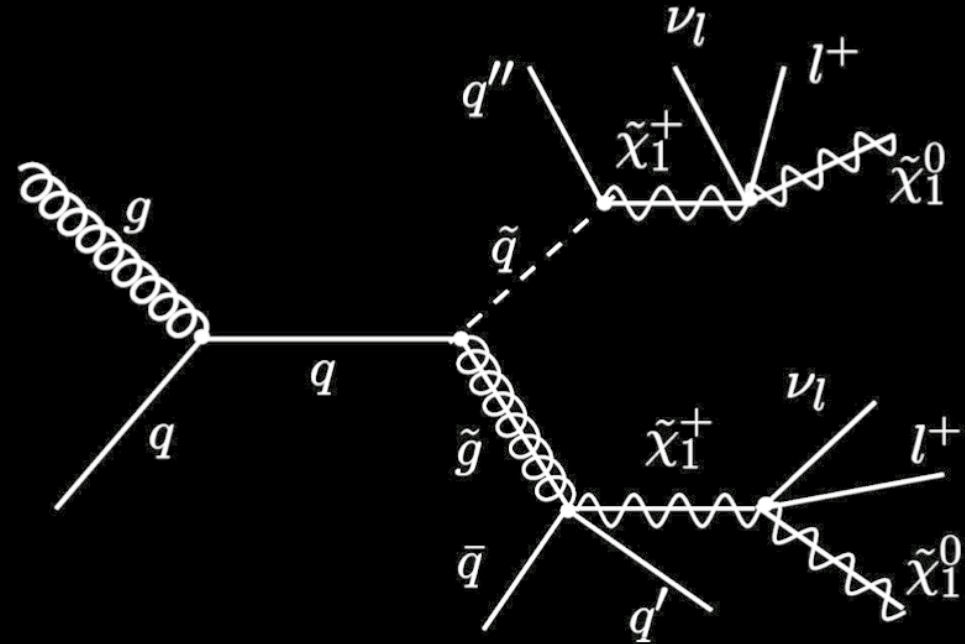
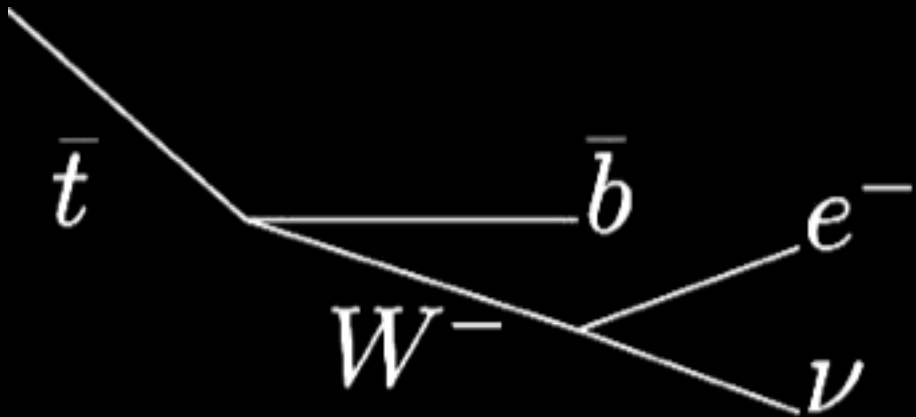
Same-sign dileptons + jets + MET

Jets, H_T , and MET

Same-sign dileptons from
majorana gluino or
multi-tops.

Potentially many b's.

SS is the “anchor”.



Same-sign dileptons + jets + MET

Backgrounds from:

- Charge flips
- Irreducible rare processes
- Fake leptons

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Background from **charge flips**

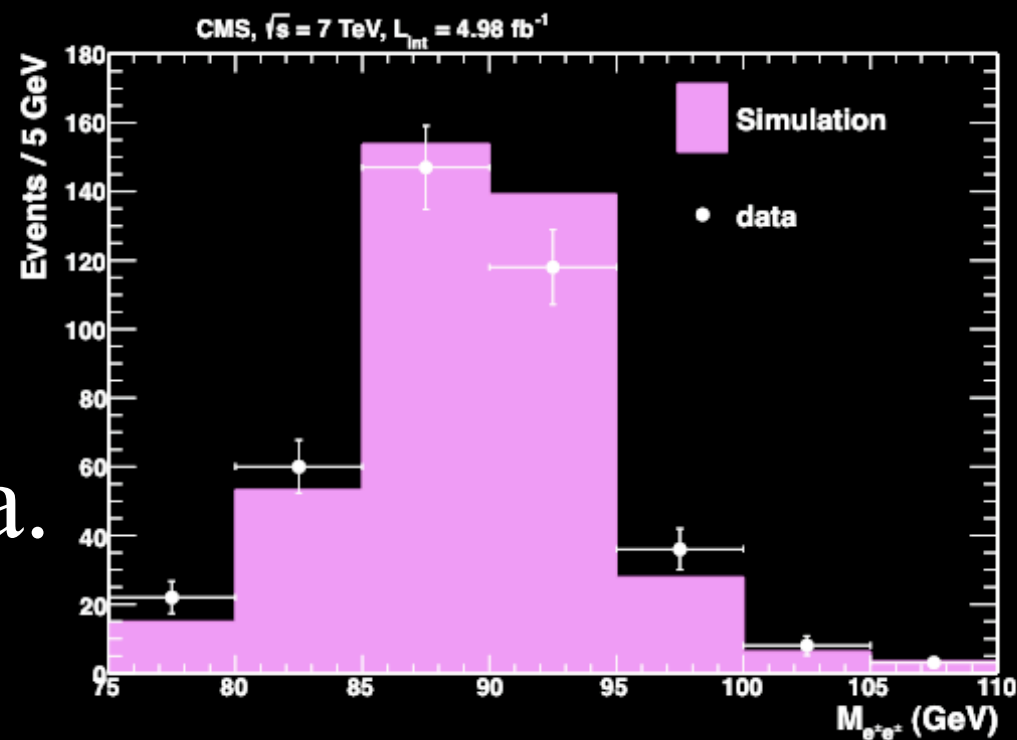
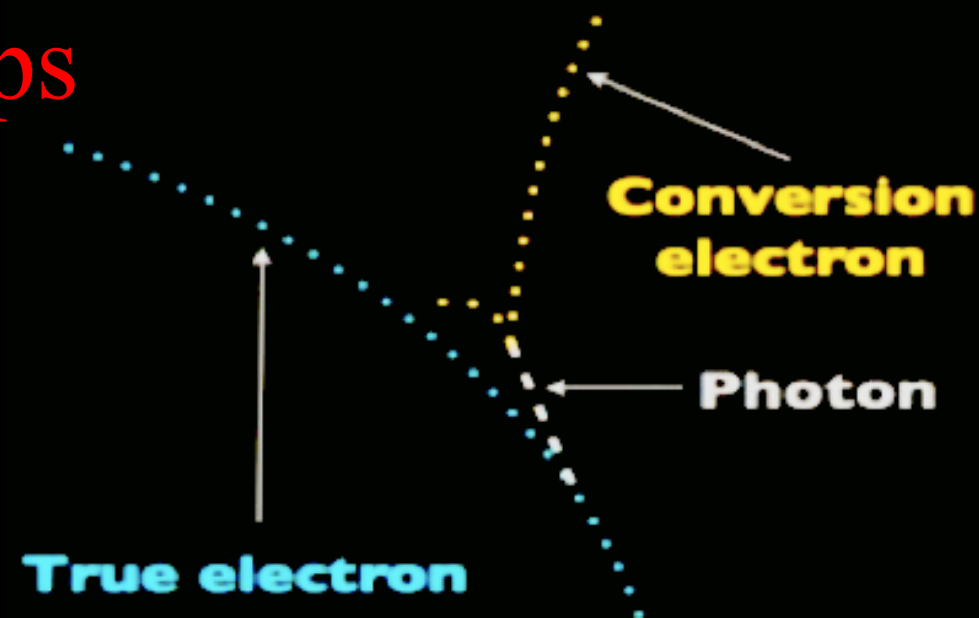
Negligible mis-assignment from resolution effects; the only source for μ 's.

Electron brem's dominate.

Calculated w/ simulation

η dependent: $1.0\text{--}30 \times 10^{-4}$

Calibrated w/ $Z \rightarrow e^{\pm}e^{\pm}$ data.



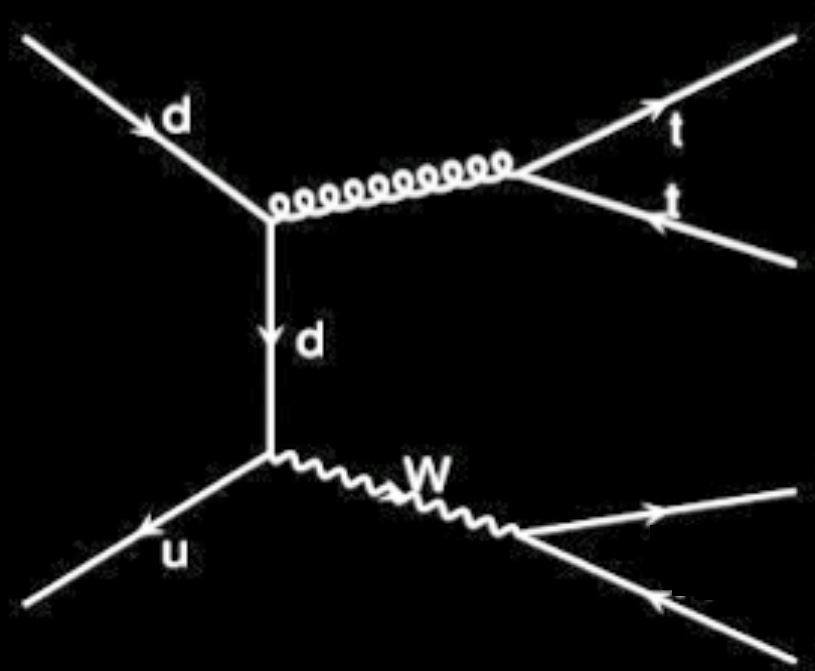
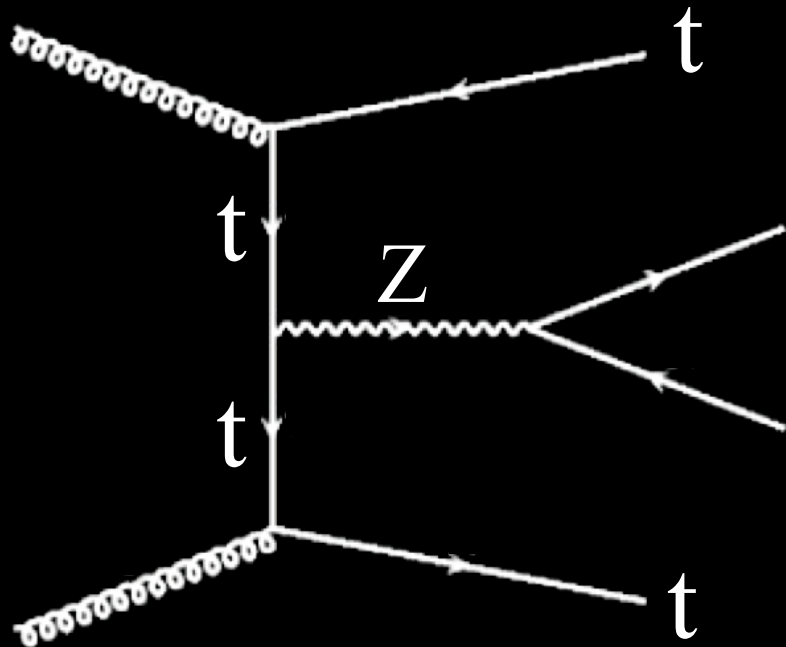
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Background from **rare processes**

$t\bar{t}W$, $t\bar{t}Z$, $W^\pm W^\pm qq$, WZ , WWW , WWZ .

Not yet observed, but calculable.

Use NLO σ with 50% uncertainty.

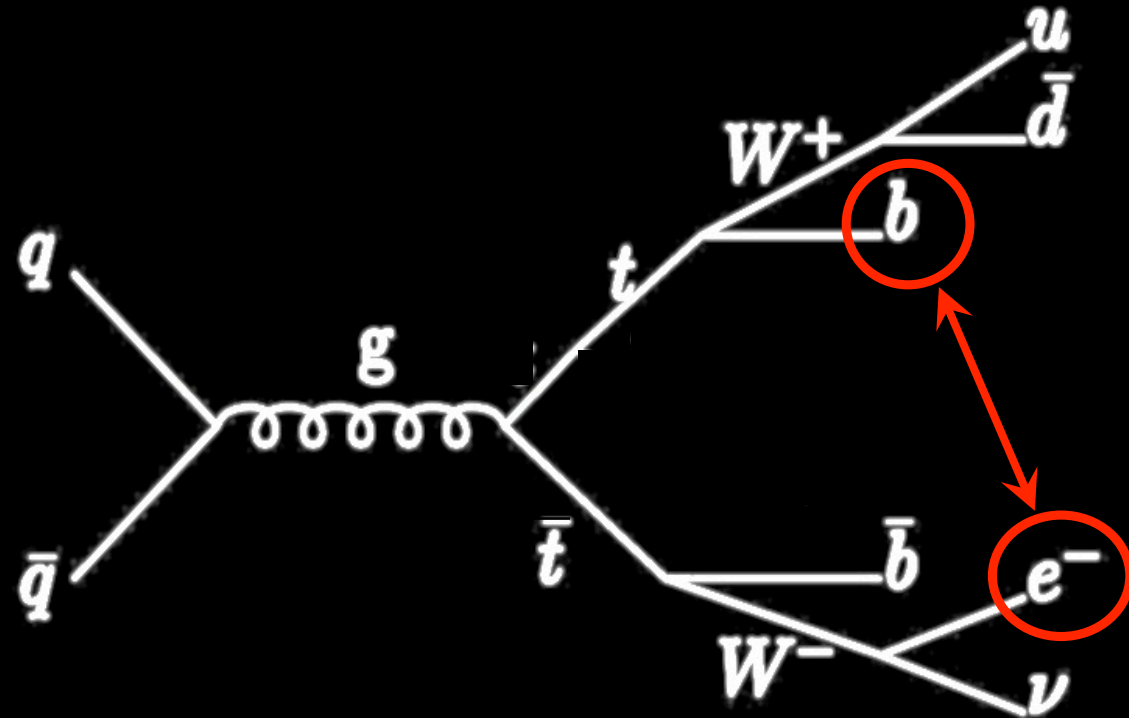


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Background from **fake leptons** dominates.

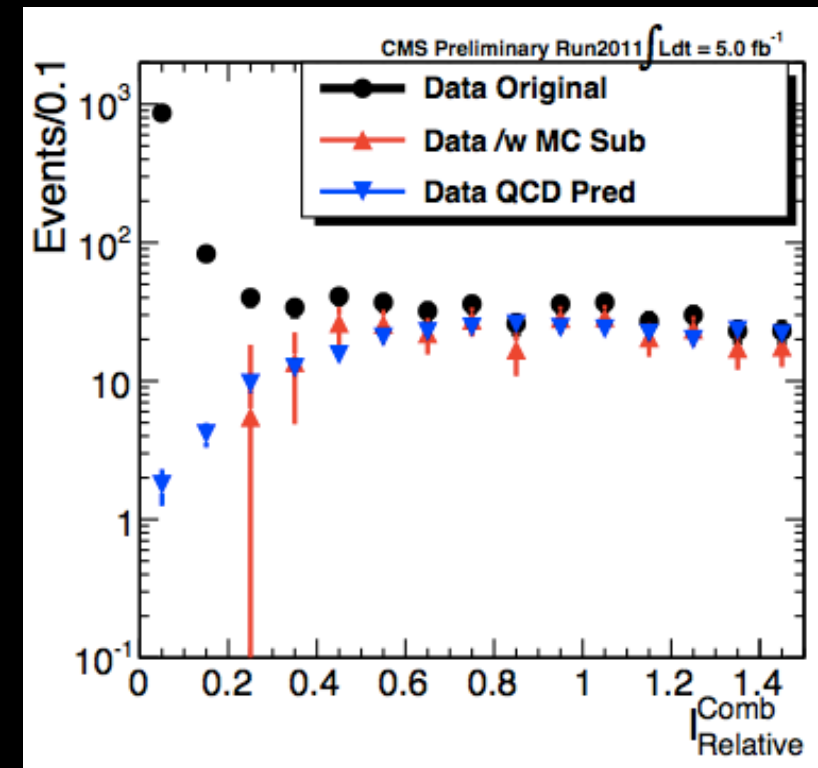
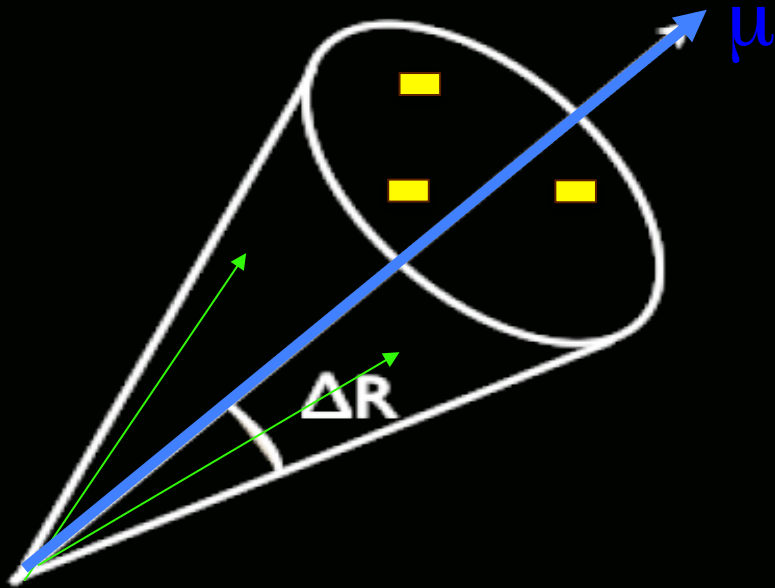
- Fake lepton from jet.
- Fake lepton from semi-leptonic b-decay.

b-daughters dominate,
particularly for μ case.



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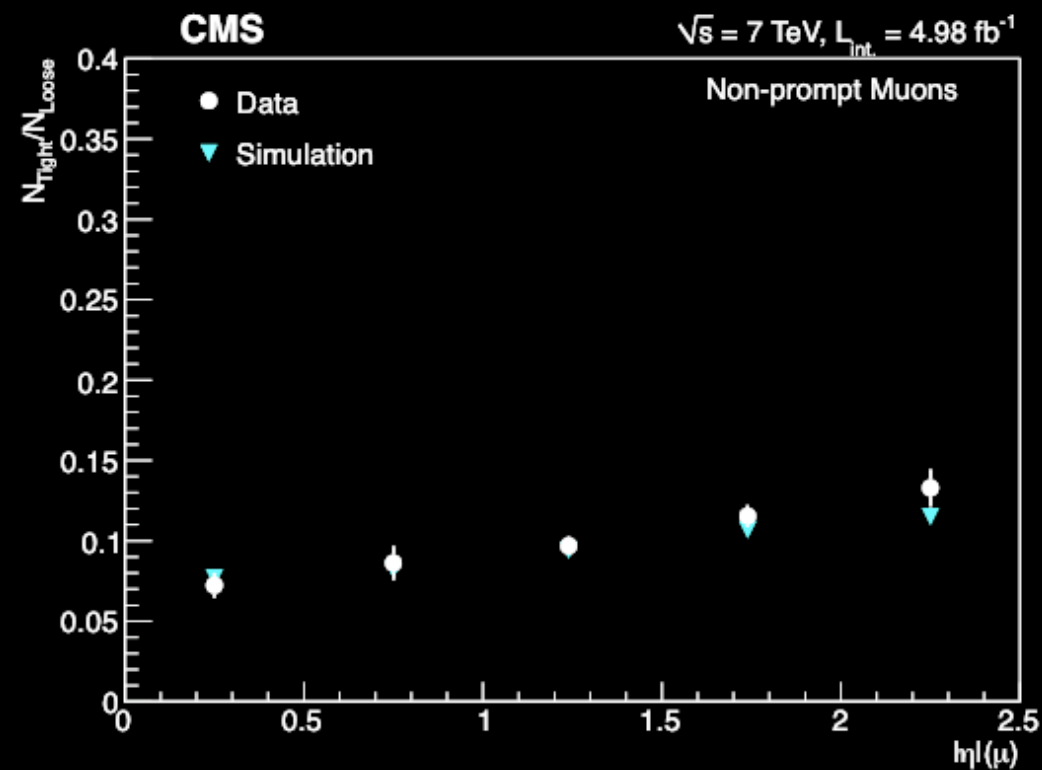
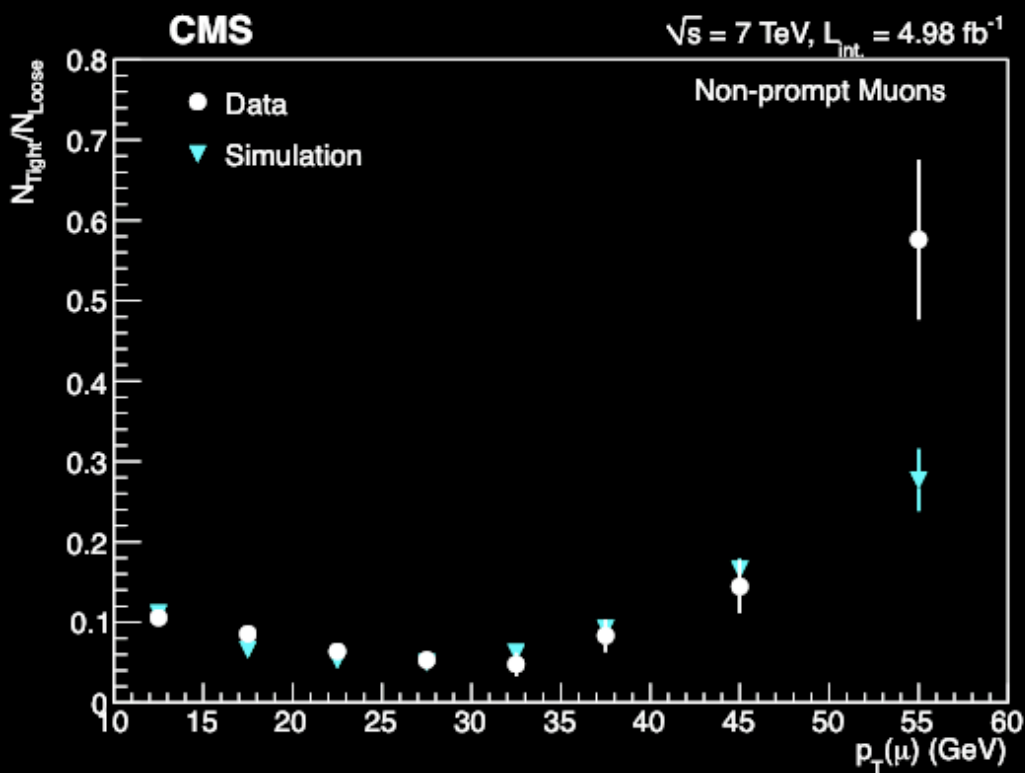
Measure fake lepton background using the isolation distribution: $\text{Iso} \equiv \sum_{\text{cone}} E$ summing **tracks** and **calorimeter deposits** around the **lepton**.



Relative Iso divides out lepton p_T .

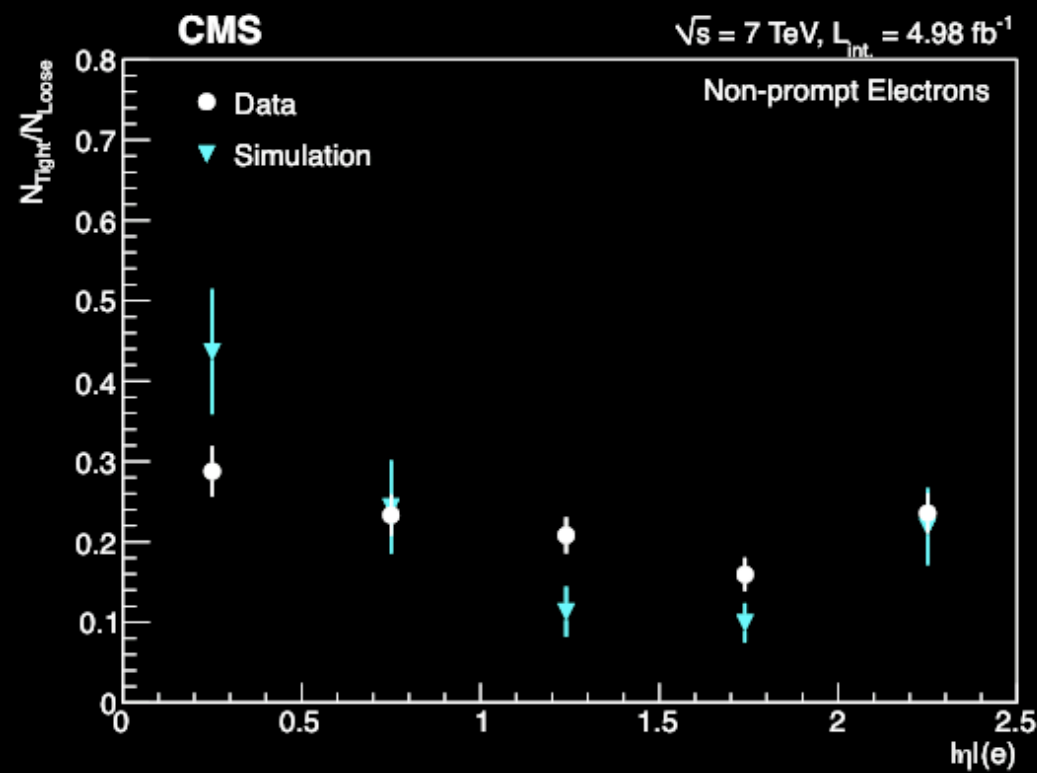
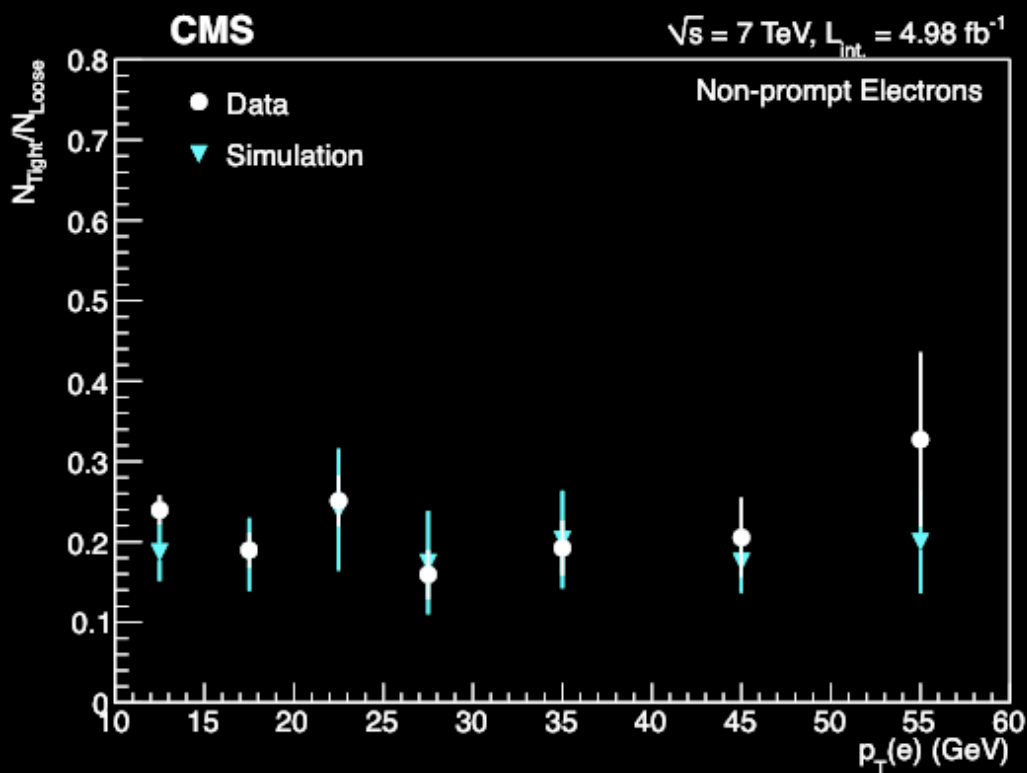
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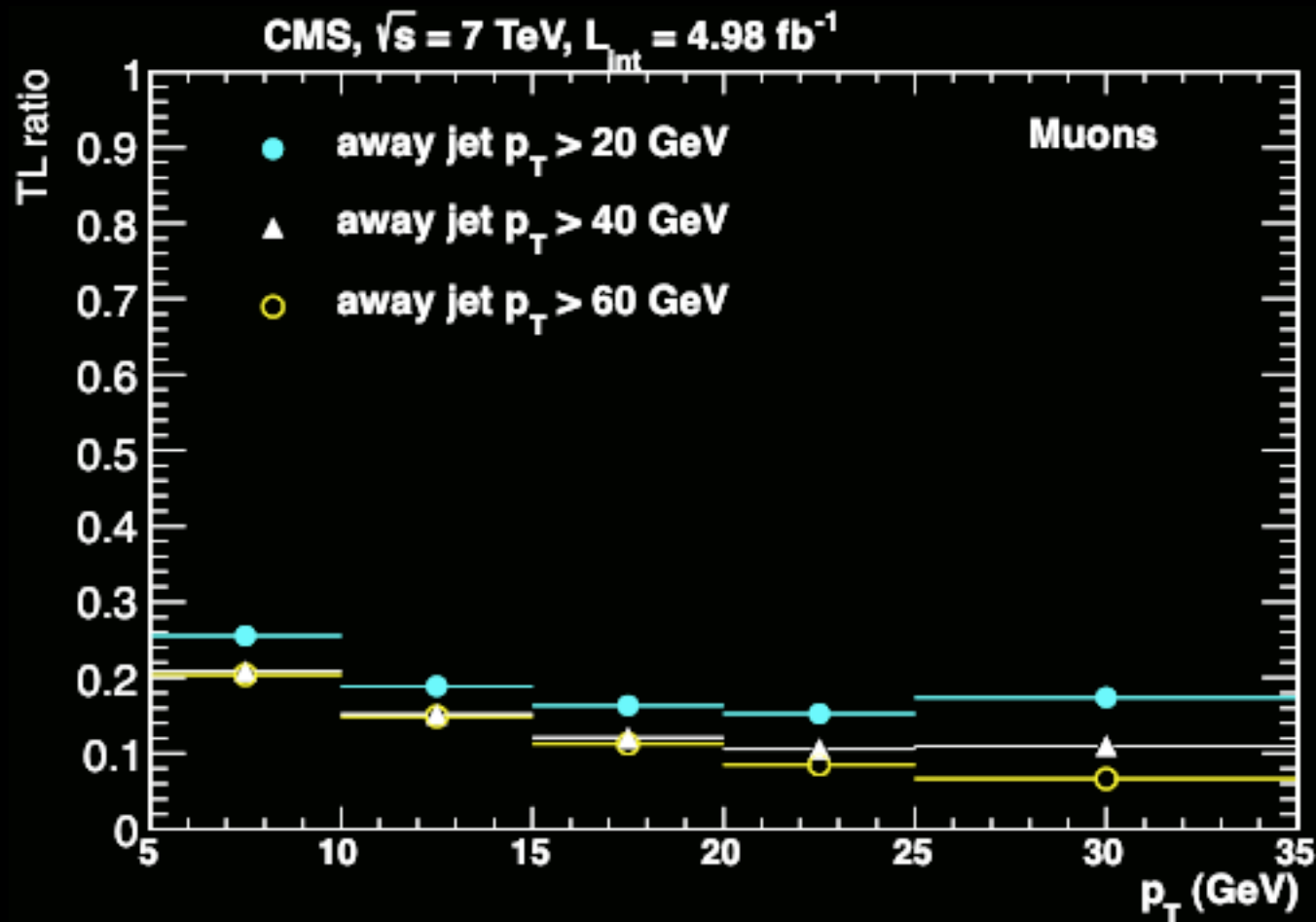
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The fake rates depend strongly on kinematics, e.g., flavor content, particularly for electrons, and parton p_T , measured with away jet p_T .

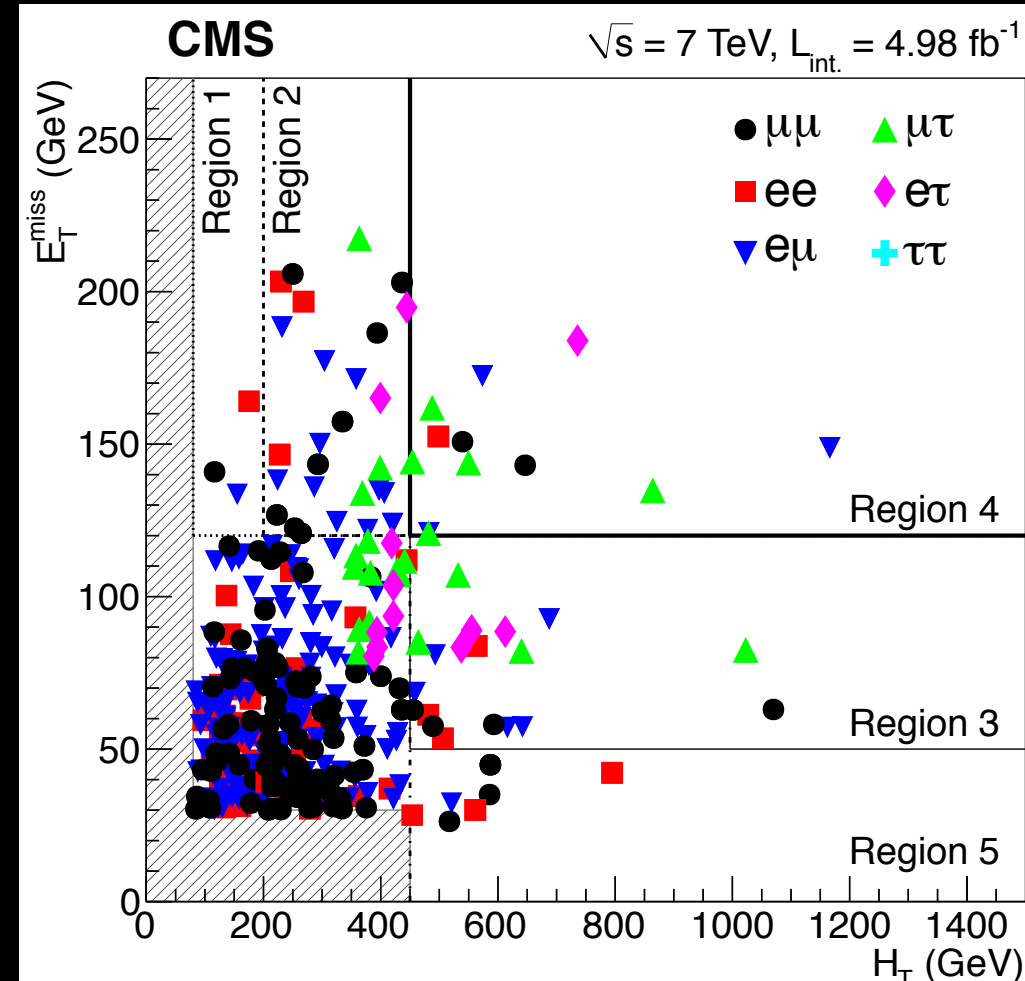
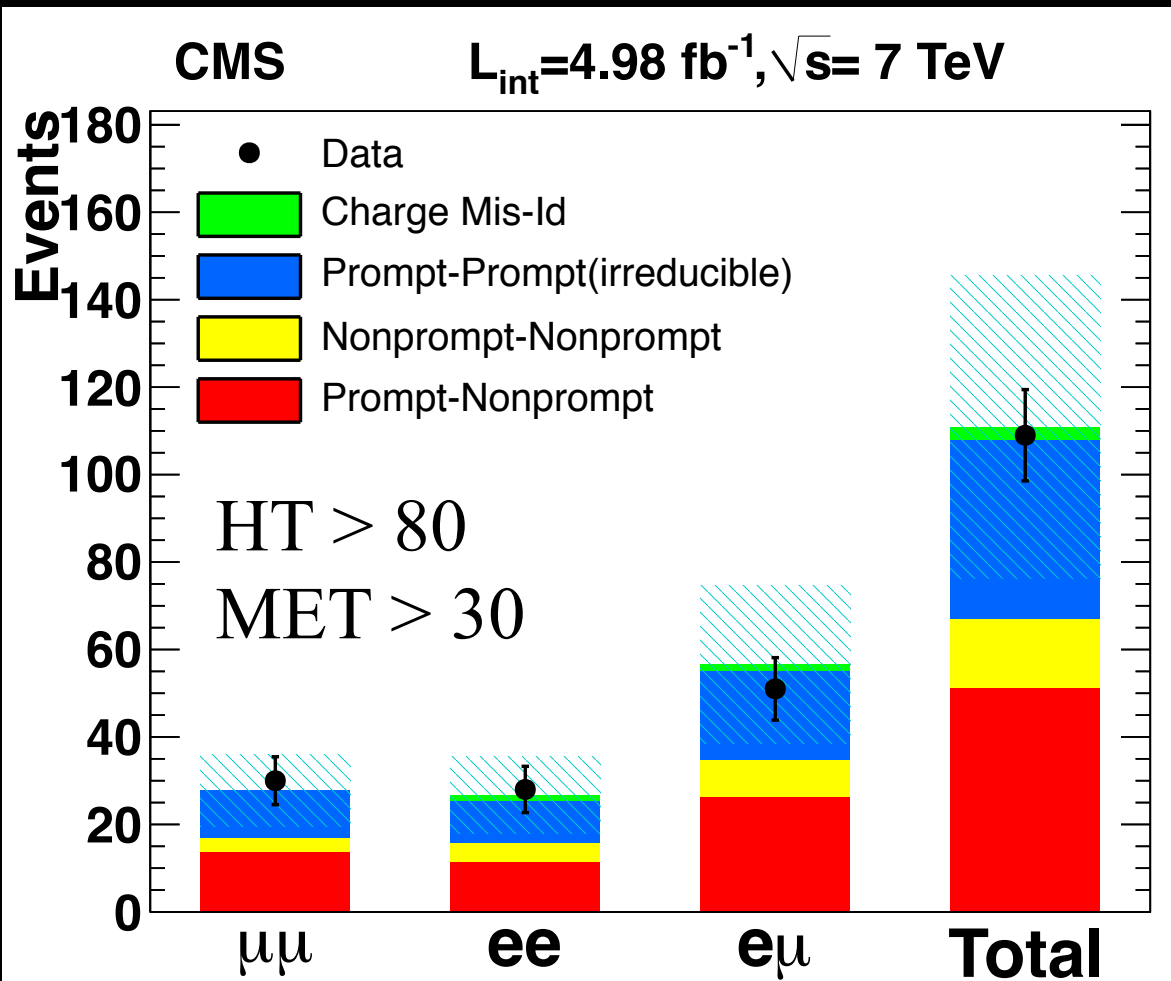
But cannot know
parton p_T in the
signal sample.
 \Rightarrow 50% syst. uncert.



Same-sign dileptons + jets + MET: Results

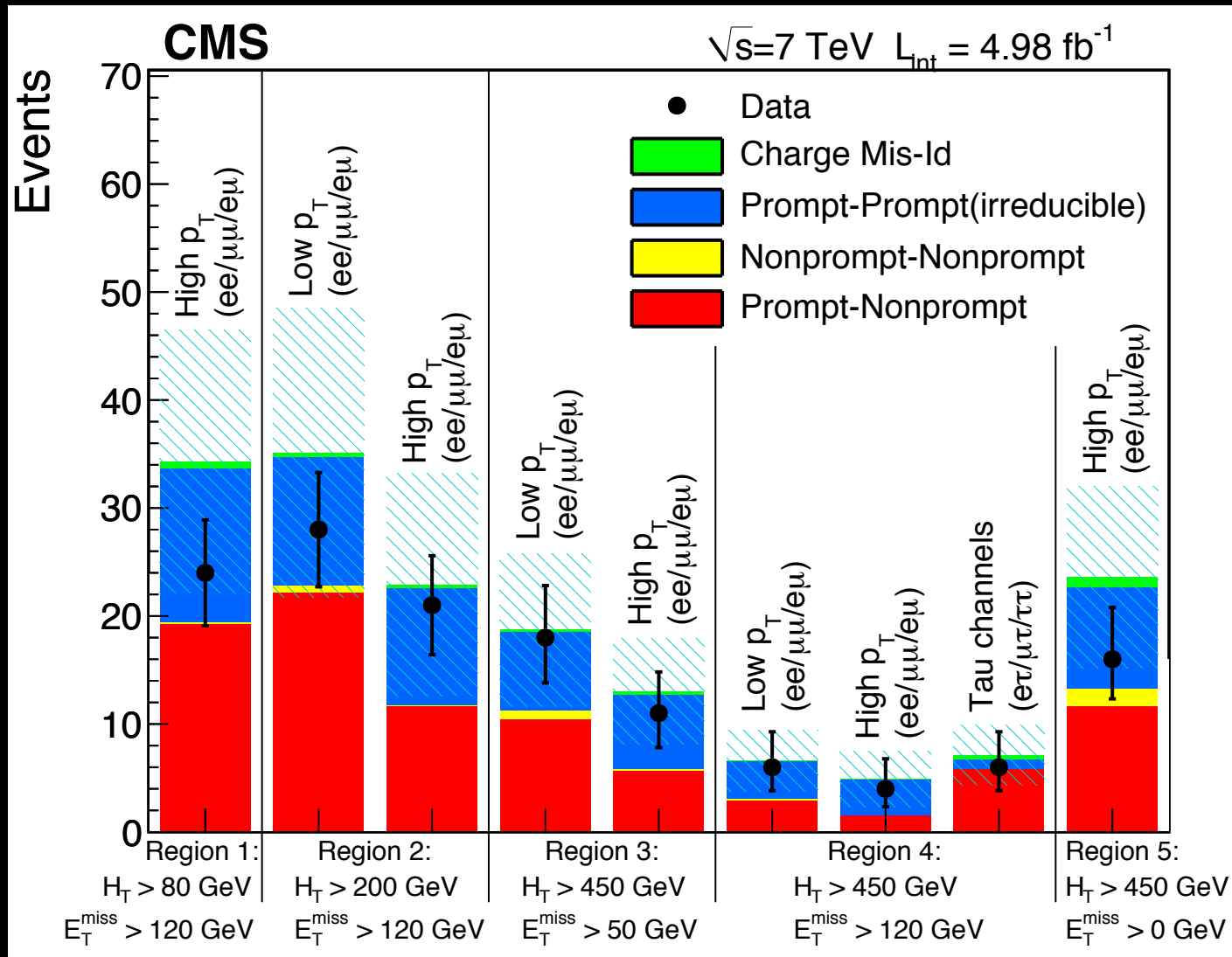
Total background prediction is a mix of irreducibles and fakes.

Model sensitivity depends on HT and MET cuts.



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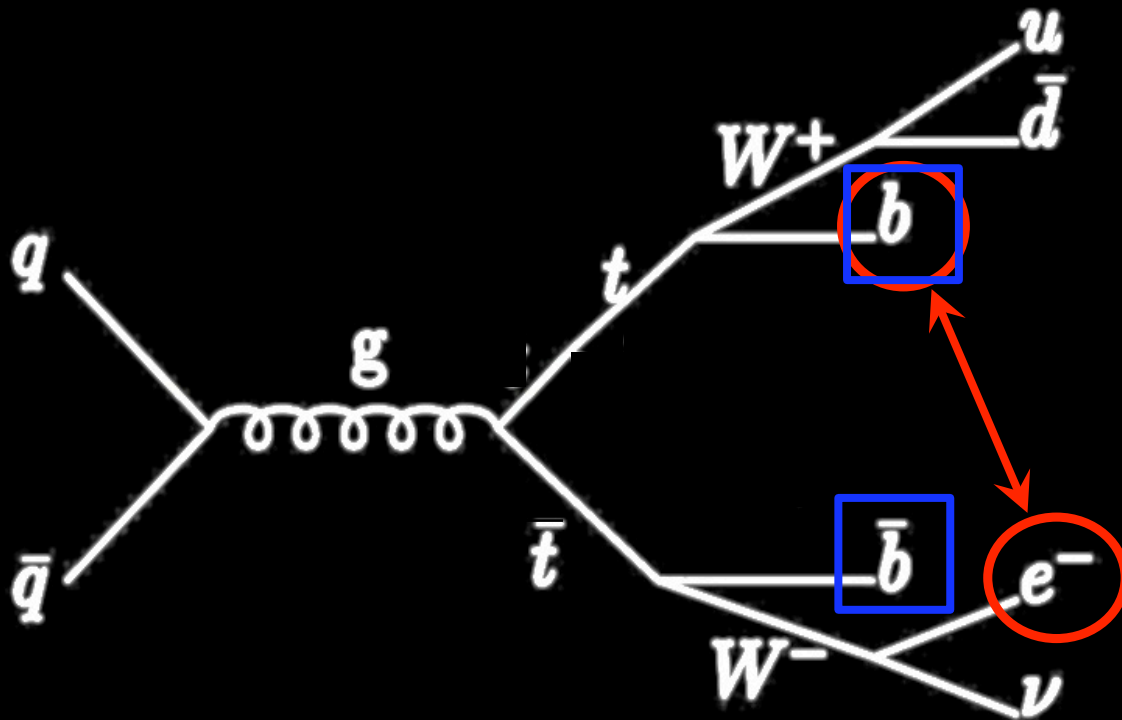
Also look at taus and lower p_T e/ μ (10,5).
Consistency across a range of samples.



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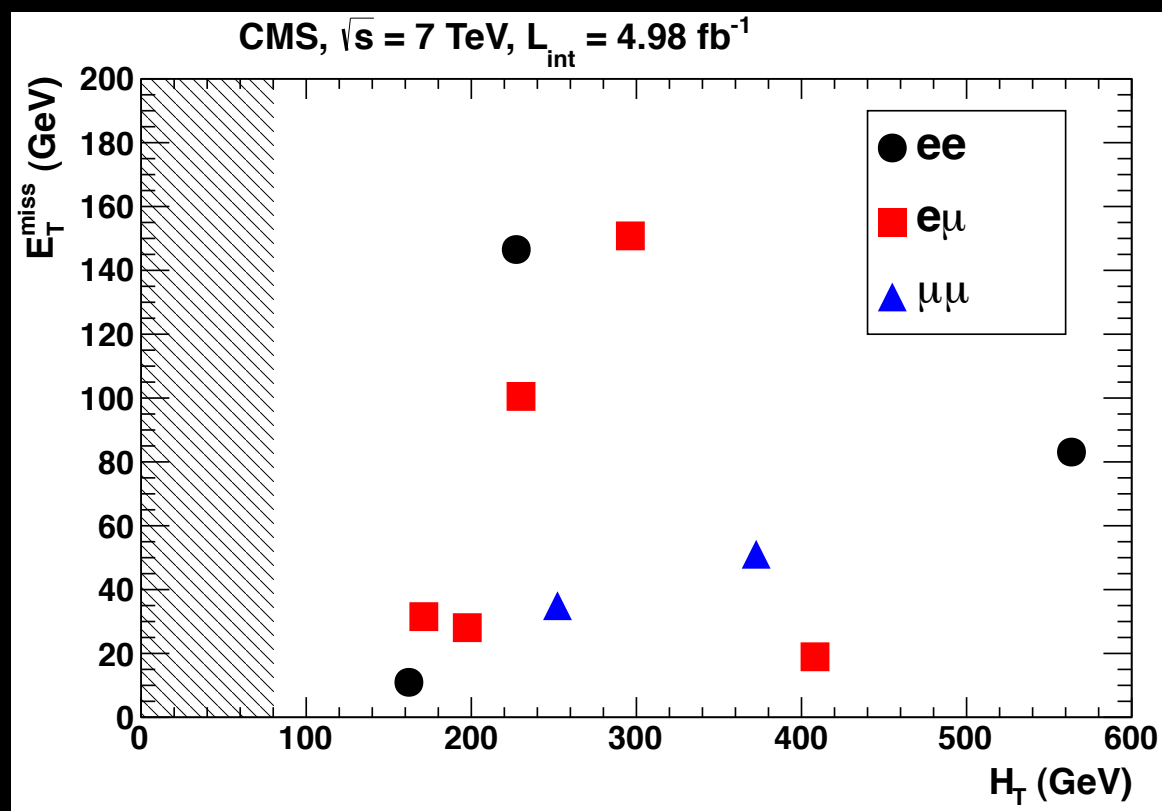
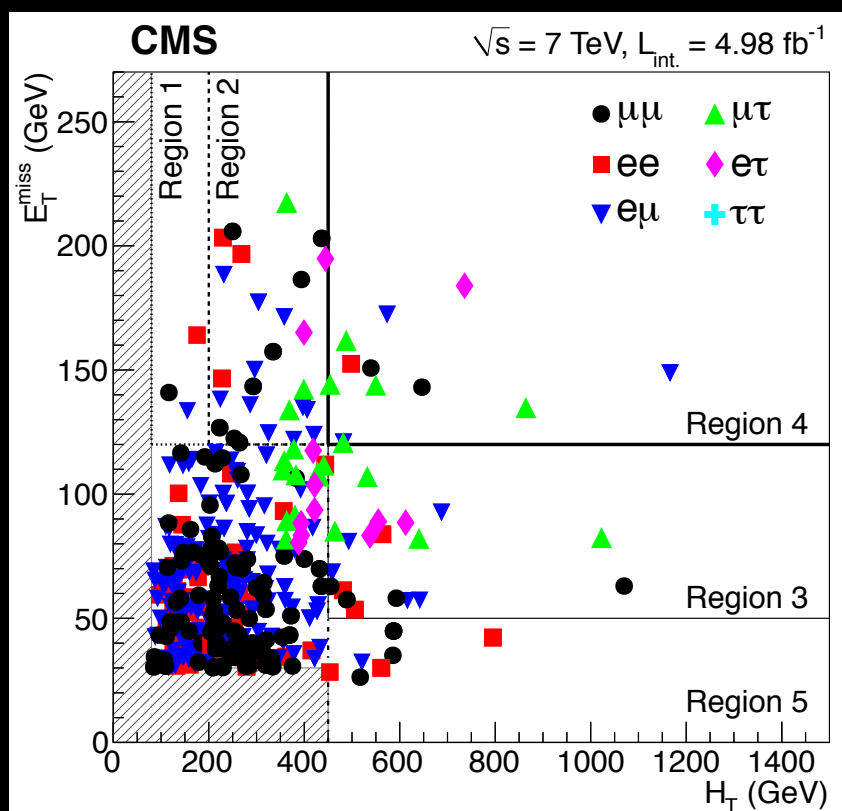
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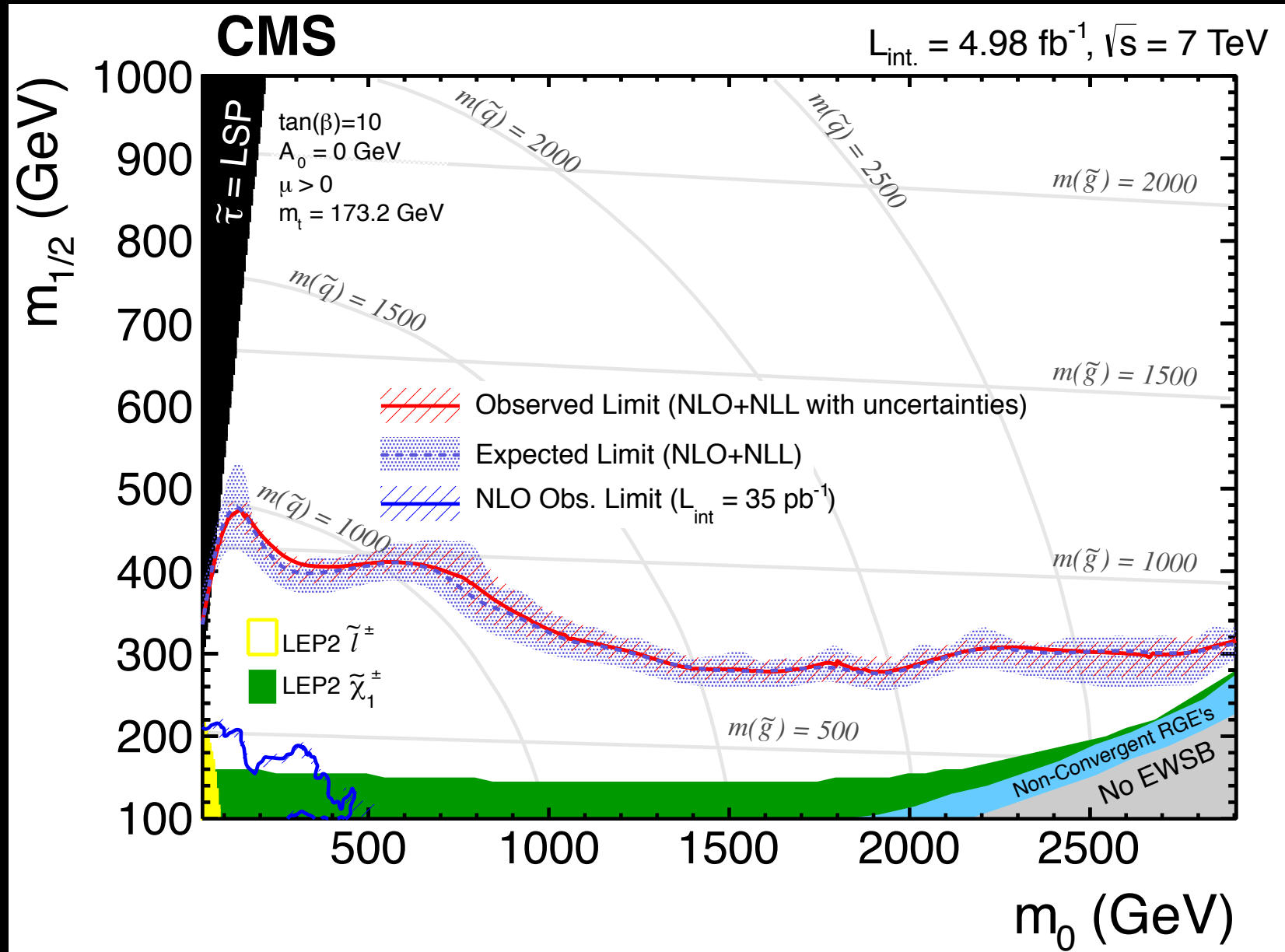
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High HT or ≥ 3 b-tags gives very low background probes for 4 top signatures.

	SR0	SR1	SR2	SR3	SR4	SR5	SR6	SR7	SR8
No. of jets	≥ 2	≥ 2	≥ 2	≥ 2	≥ 2	≥ 2	≥ 2	≥ 3	≥ 2
No. of b-tags	≥ 2	≥ 2	≥ 2	≥ 2	≥ 2	≥ 2	≥ 2	≥ 3	≥ 2
Lepton charges	$++/--$	$++/--$	$++$	$++/--$	$++/--$	$++/--$	$++/--$	$++/--$	$++/--$
E_T^{miss}	> 0 GeV	> 30 GeV	> 30 GeV	> 120 GeV	> 50 GeV	> 50 GeV	> 120 GeV	> 50 GeV	> 0 GeV
H_T	> 80 GeV	> 80 GeV	> 80 GeV	> 200 GeV	> 200 GeV	> 320 GeV	> 320 GeV	> 200 GeV	> 320 GeV
Charge-flip BG	1.4 ± 0.3	1.1 ± 0.2	0.5 ± 0.1	0.05 ± 0.01	0.3 ± 0.1	0.12 ± 0.03	0.03 ± 0.01	0.008 ± 0.004	0.20 ± 0.05
Fake BG	4.7 ± 2.6	3.4 ± 2.0	1.8 ± 1.2	0.3 ± 0.5	1.5 ± 1.1	0.8 ± 0.8	0.15 ± 0.45	0.15 ± 0.45	1.6 ± 1.1
Rare SM BG	4.0 ± 2.0	3.4 ± 1.7	2.2 ± 1.1	0.6 ± 0.3	2.1 ± 1.0	1.1 ± 0.5	0.4 ± 0.2	0.12 ± 0.06	1.5 ± 0.8
Total BG	10.2 ± 3.3	7.9 ± 2.6	4.5 ± 1.7	1.0 ± 0.6	3.9 ± 1.5	2.0 ± 1.0	0.6 ± 0.5	0.3 ± 0.5	3.3 ± 1.4
Event yield	10	7	5	2	5	2	0	0	3
N_{UL} (12% unc.)	9.1	7.2	6.8	5.1	7.2	4.7	2.8	2.8	5.2
N_{UL} (20% unc.)	9.5	7.6	7.2	5.3	7.5	4.8	2.8	2.8	5.4
N_{UL} (30% unc.)	10.1	7.9	7.5	5.7	8.0	5.1	2.8	2.8	5.7

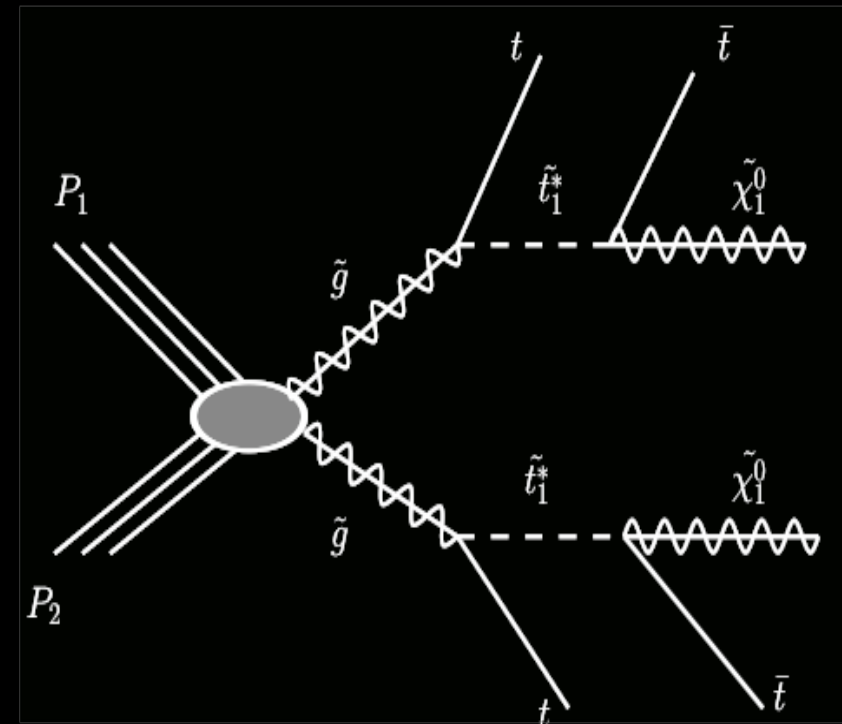
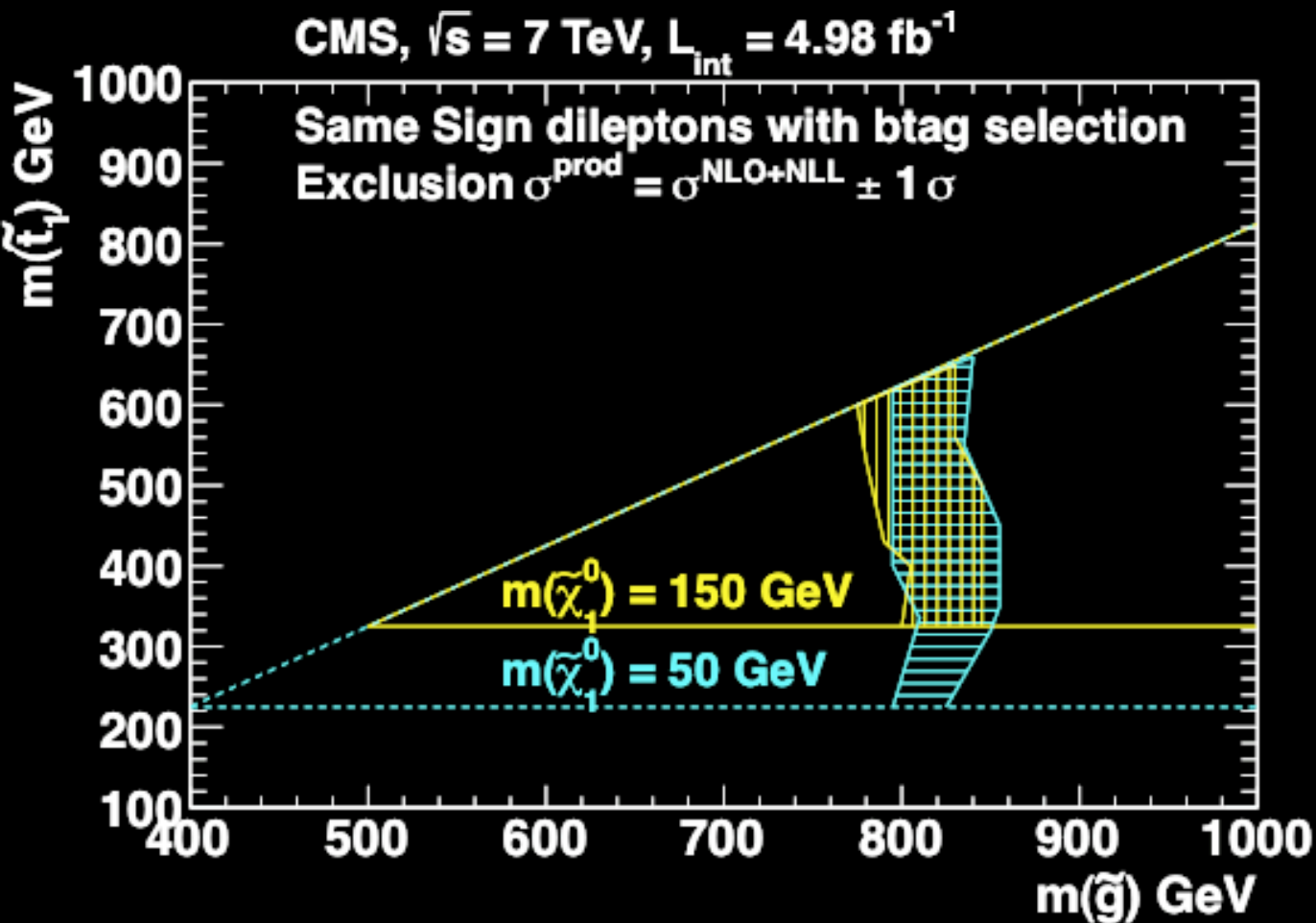
Same-sign dileptons + jets + MET: interpretation

Limits in cMSSM similar to others, almost.



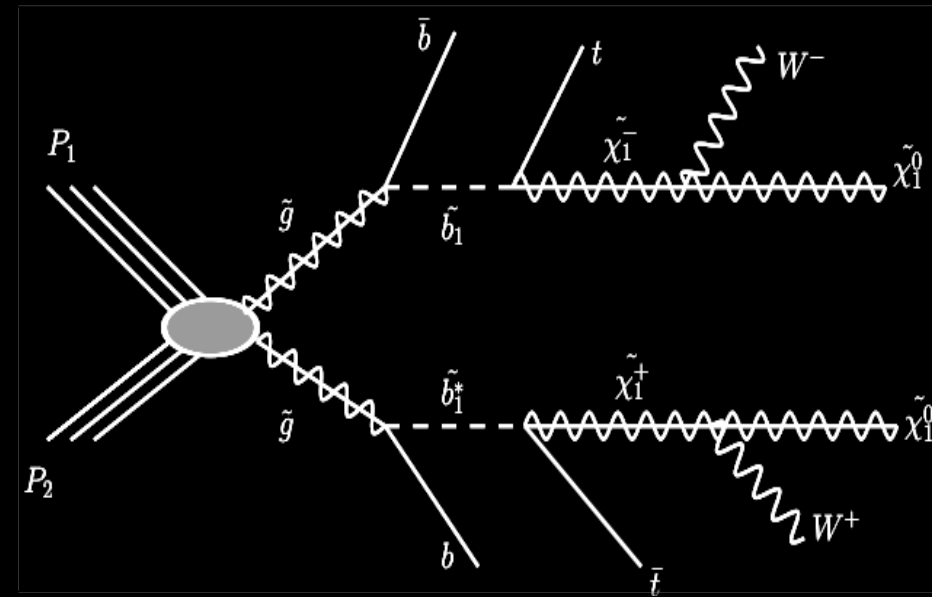
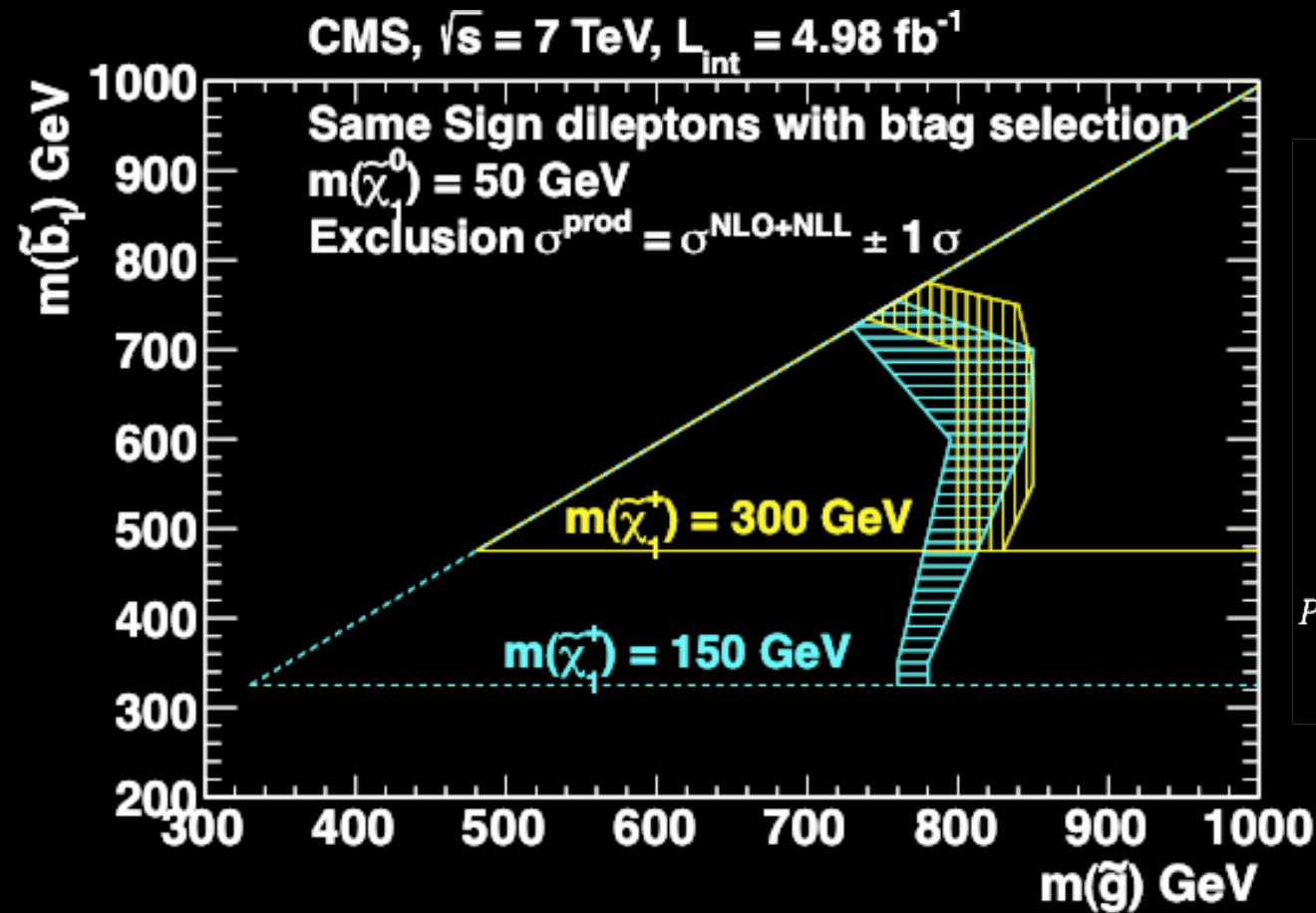
Same-sign dileptons + jets + MET: interpretation

High HT or ≥ 3 b-tags gives very low background probes for 4 top signatures.



Same-sign dileptons + jets + MET: **interpretation**

High HT or ≥ 3 b-tags gives very low background probes for sbottom decays through stop.



Summary: Many others...

Multijets + MET

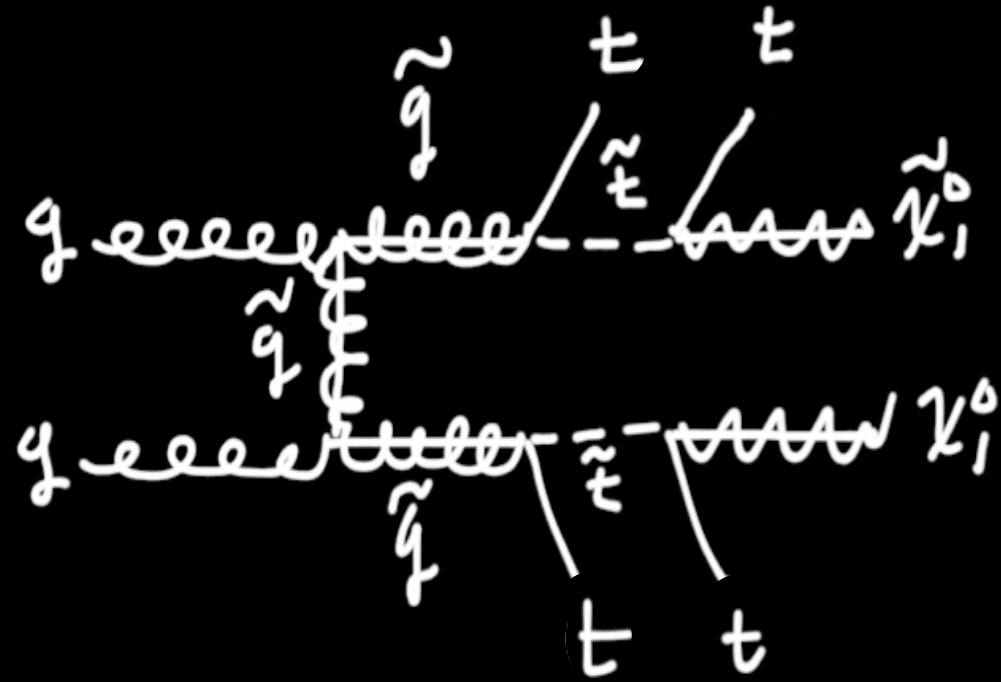
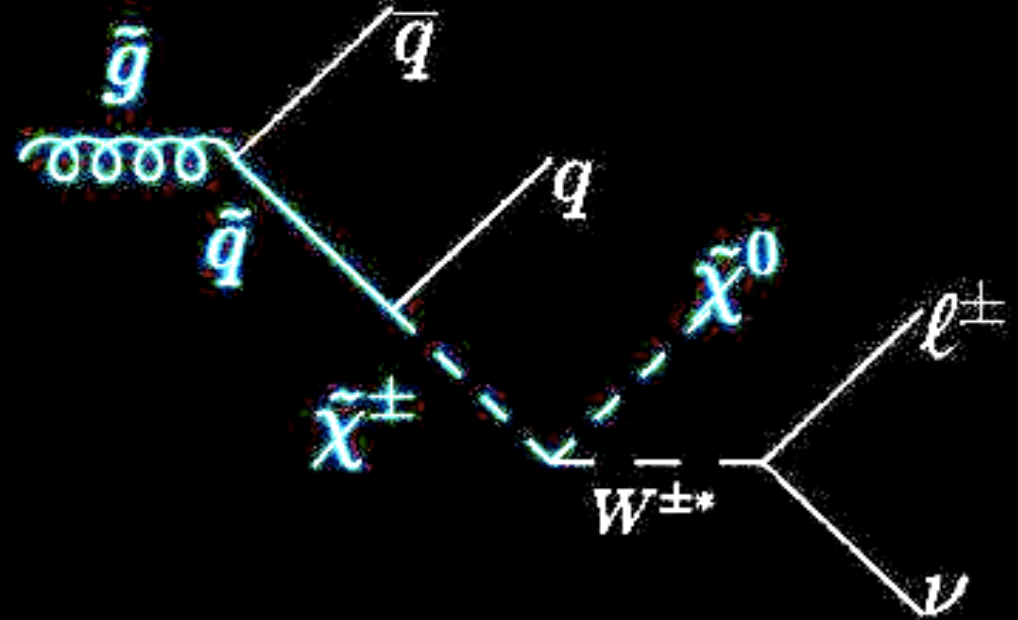
Lepton + jets + MET

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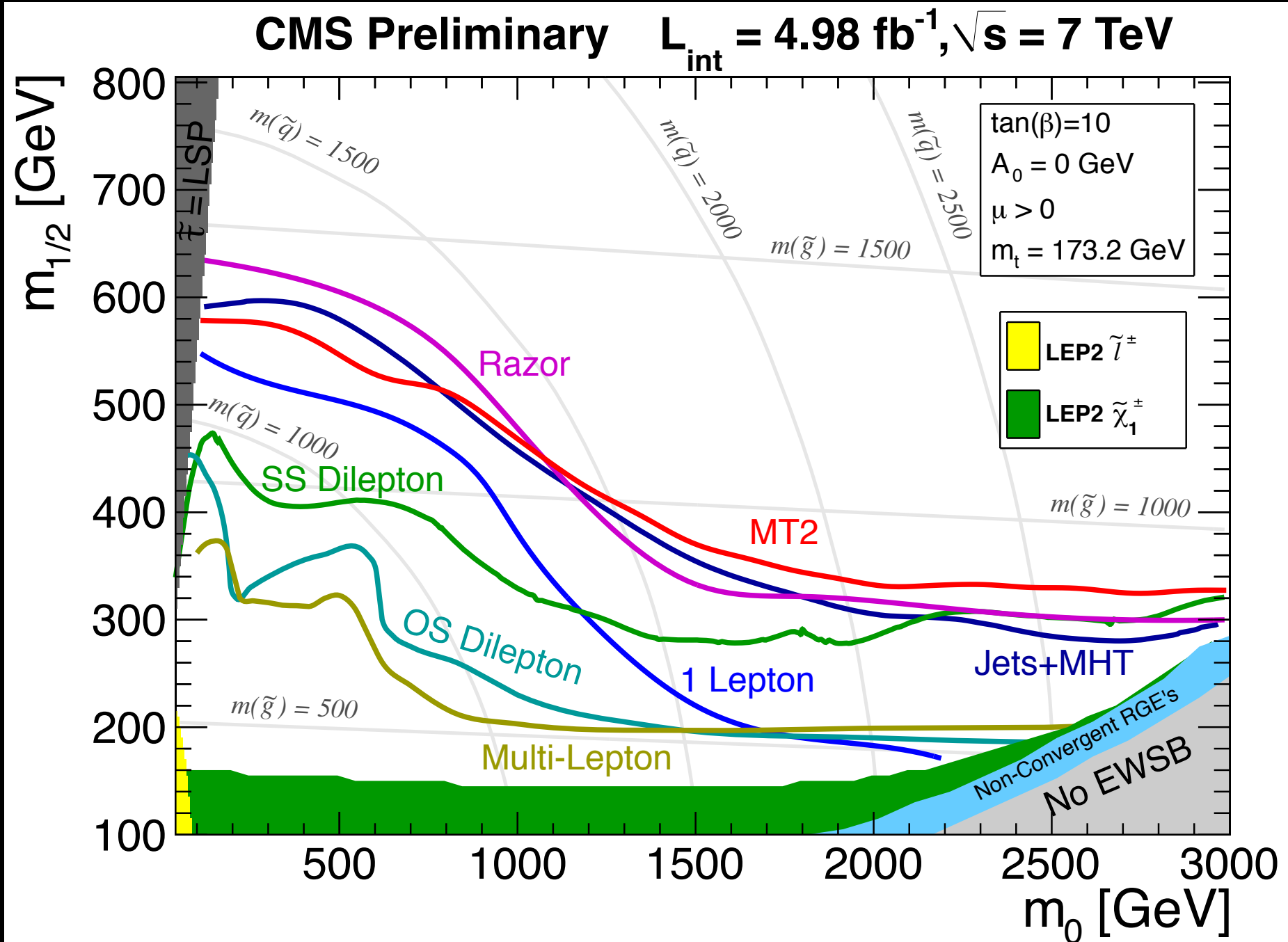
Same sign dileptons + jets + MET

Trileptons + jets + MET

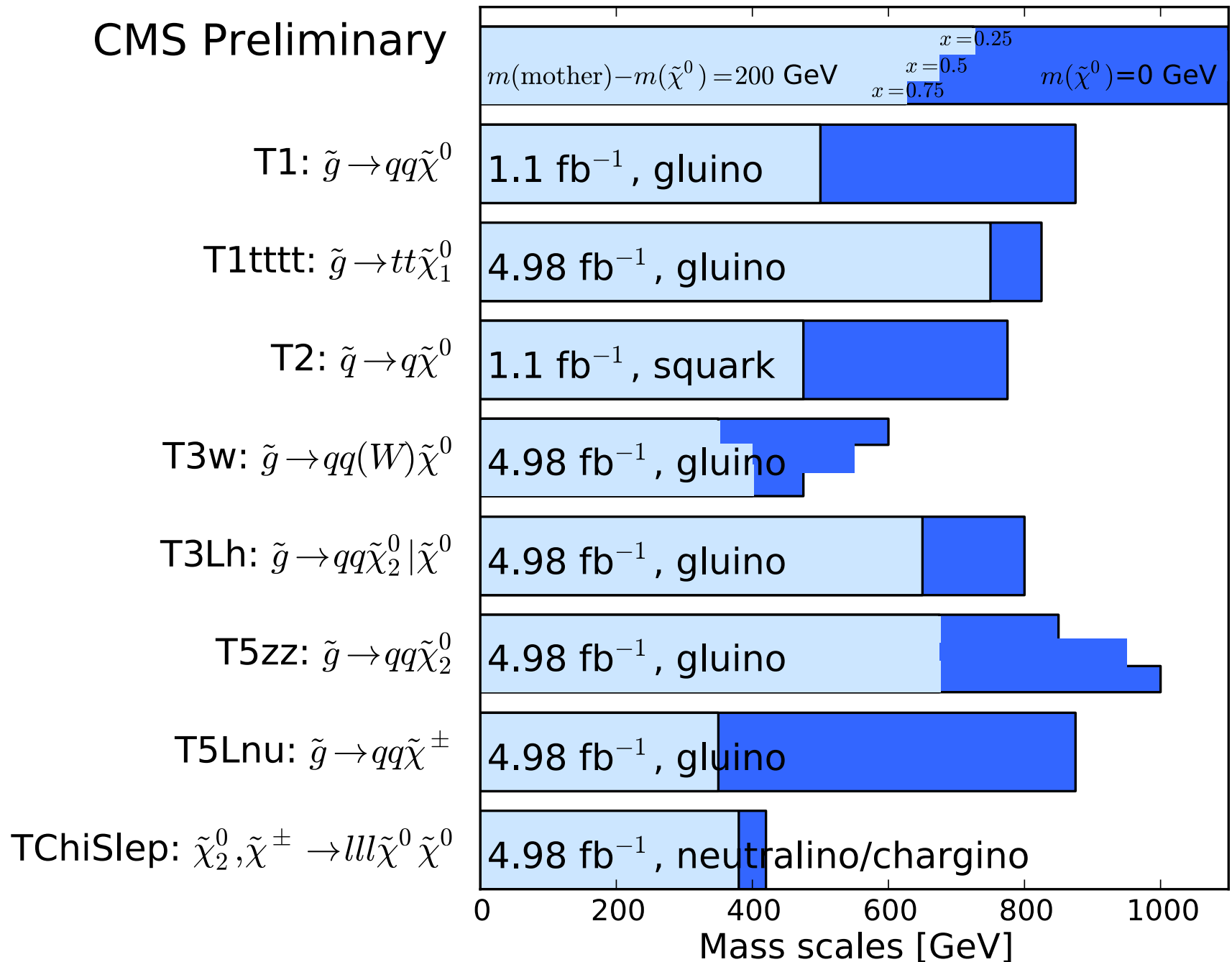
w/ or w/o b-tagged jets



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And many more to come...

Accelerator running well; high and increasing luminosity.

