

# Constraints on sneutrino dark matter from LHC Run 1

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# Why consider right-handed sneutrino DM?

- SUSY searches mostly consider neutralino LSPs
- How are they constraining alternative scenarios, e.g. sneutrino LSP?
- Left-handed sneutrino LSP cannot explain measured relic abundance and is excluded by direct detection experiments
- Mostly right-handed sneutrino is an interesting candidate, addressing both the origin of neutrino masses and the nature of dark matter



we want to explore how LHC results constrain a model with a mostly right-handed sneutrino LSP

# The MSSM+RN model

superpotential for Dirac RH neutrino superfield

$$W = \epsilon_{ij} (\mu \hat{H}_i^u \hat{H}_j^d - Y_l^{IJ} \hat{H}_i^d \hat{L}_j^I \hat{R}^J + Y_\nu^{IJ} \hat{H}_i^u \hat{L}_j^I \hat{N}^J)$$

additional terms in the soft-breaking potential

$$V_{\text{soft}} = (M_L^2)^{IJ} \tilde{L}_i^{I*} \tilde{L}_i^J + (M_N^2)^{IJ} \tilde{N}^{I*} \tilde{N}^J - [\epsilon_{ij} (\Lambda_l^{IJ} H_i^d \tilde{L}_j^I \tilde{R}^J + \Lambda_\nu^{IJ} H_i^u \tilde{L}_j^I \tilde{N}^J) + \text{h.c.}]$$

the sneutrino mass eigenstates are then given by

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\nu}_{k_1} \\ \tilde{\nu}_{k_2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \theta_{\tilde{\nu}}^k & \cos \theta_{\tilde{\nu}}^k \\ \cos \theta_{\tilde{\nu}}^k & \sin \theta_{\tilde{\nu}}^k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\nu}_L^k \\ \tilde{N}^k \end{pmatrix}$$

with

$$\sin 2\theta_{\tilde{\nu}}^k = \sqrt{2} \frac{A_{\tilde{\nu}}^k v \sin \beta}{(m_{\tilde{\nu}_{k2}}^2 - m_{\tilde{\nu}_{k1}}^2)}$$

Borzumati & Nomura, hep-ph/0007018  
Arkani-Hamed et al., hep-ph/0006312

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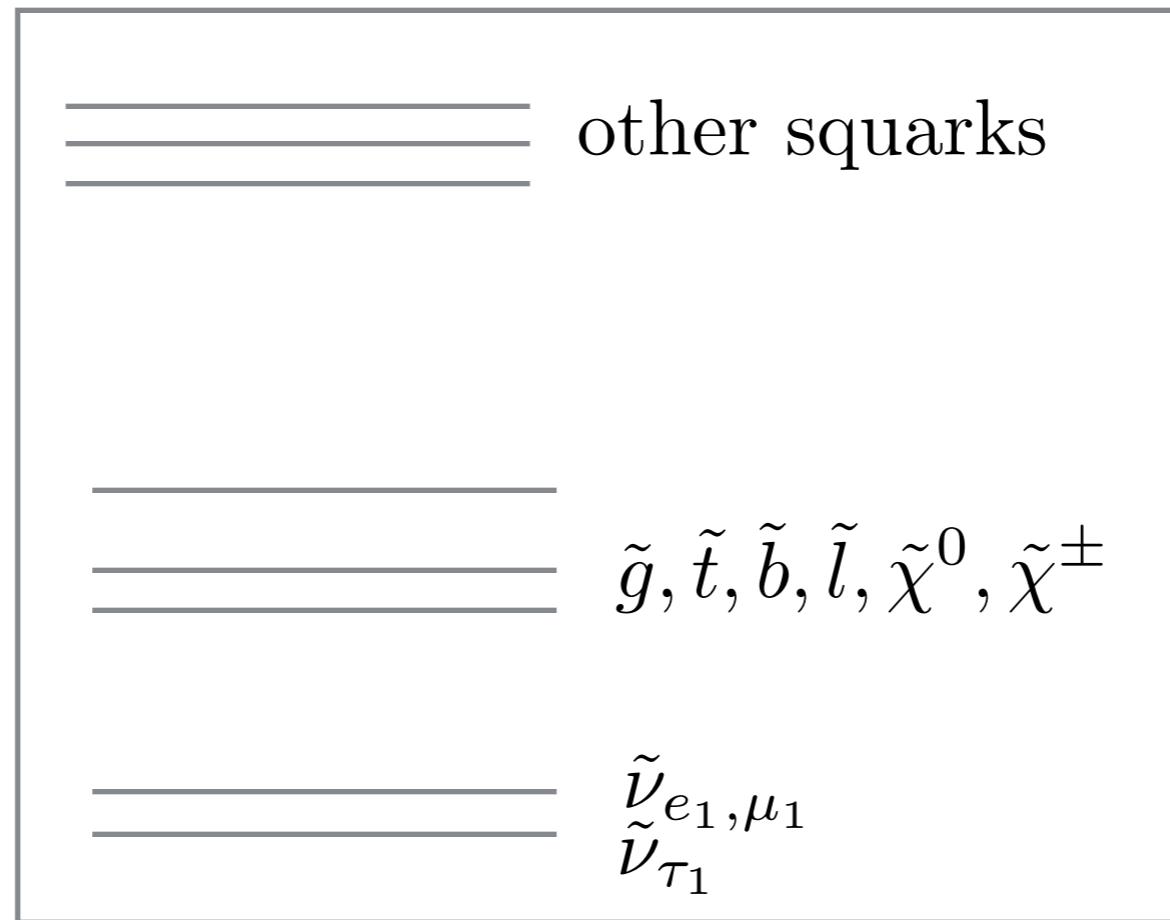
using the following observables and constraints

Observable	Value / constraint
$m_h$	$125.85 \pm 0.4$ (exp) $\pm 4$ (theo) GeV
$\text{BR}(B \rightarrow X_s \gamma) \times 10^4$	$3.55 \pm 0.24 \pm 0.09$ (exp)
$\text{BR}(B \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) \times 10^9$	$3.2 (+1.4 -1.2)$ (stat) $(+0.5 -0.3)$ (sys)
$\Omega_{\text{DM}} h^2$	$0.1186 \pm 0.0031$ (exp) $\pm 20\%$ (theo)
$\Delta\Gamma_Z^{\text{invisible}}$	$< 2$ MeV (95% CL)
$\text{BR}(h \rightarrow \text{invisible})$	$< 20\%$ (95% CL)
$m_{\tilde{\tau}_1^-}$	$> 85$ GeV (95% CL)
$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^+}, m_{\tilde{e}}, m_{\tilde{\mu}}$	$> 101$ GeV (95% CL)
$m_{\tilde{g}}$	$> 308$ GeV (95% CL)
$\sigma_n^{SI}$	$< \sigma_{\text{LUX}}^{SI}$ (90% CL)

Measurements

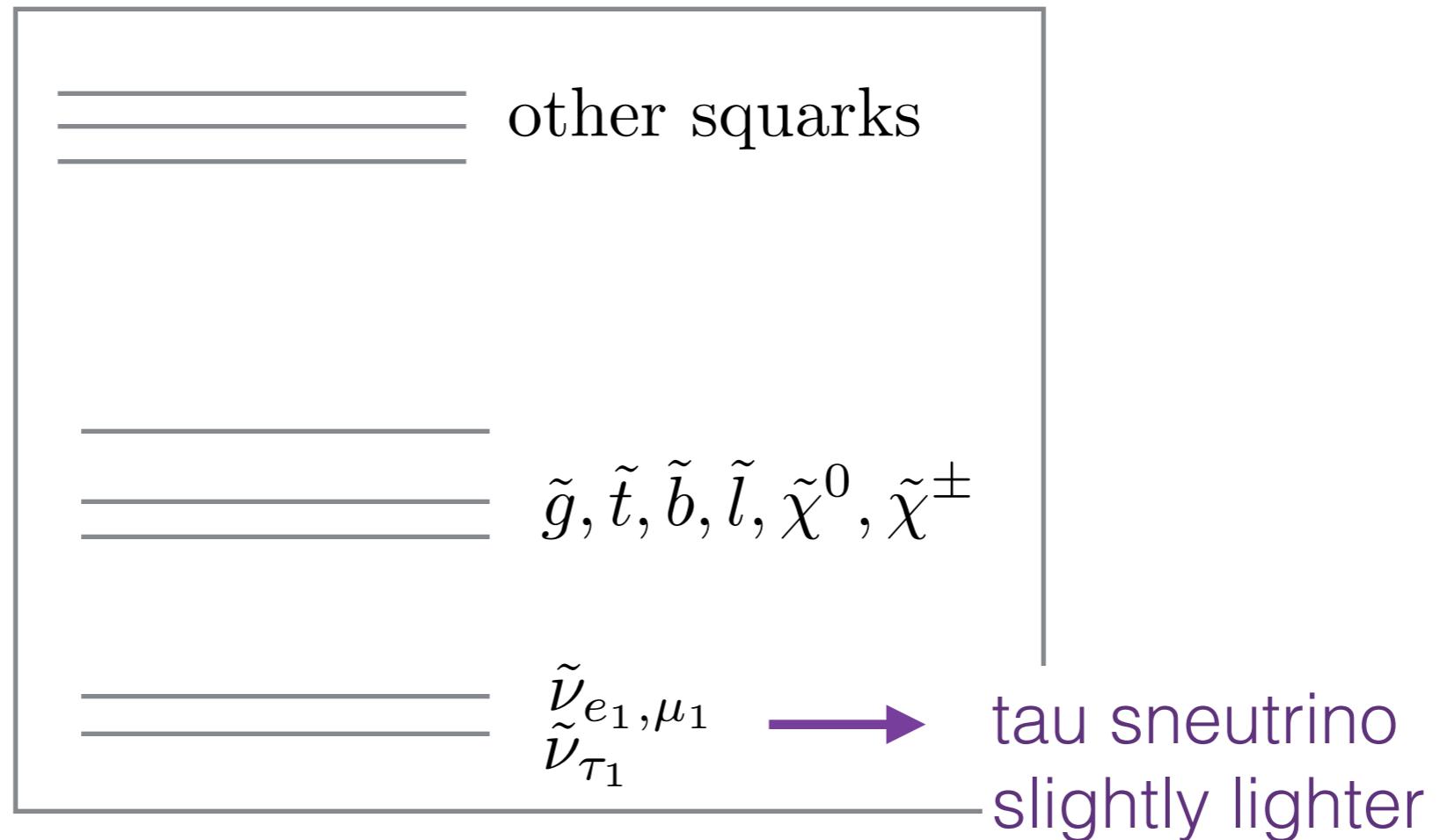
Limits

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# **How can we efficiently test a BSM scenario against existing ATLAS and CMS constraints?**

# Results in many different channels are available

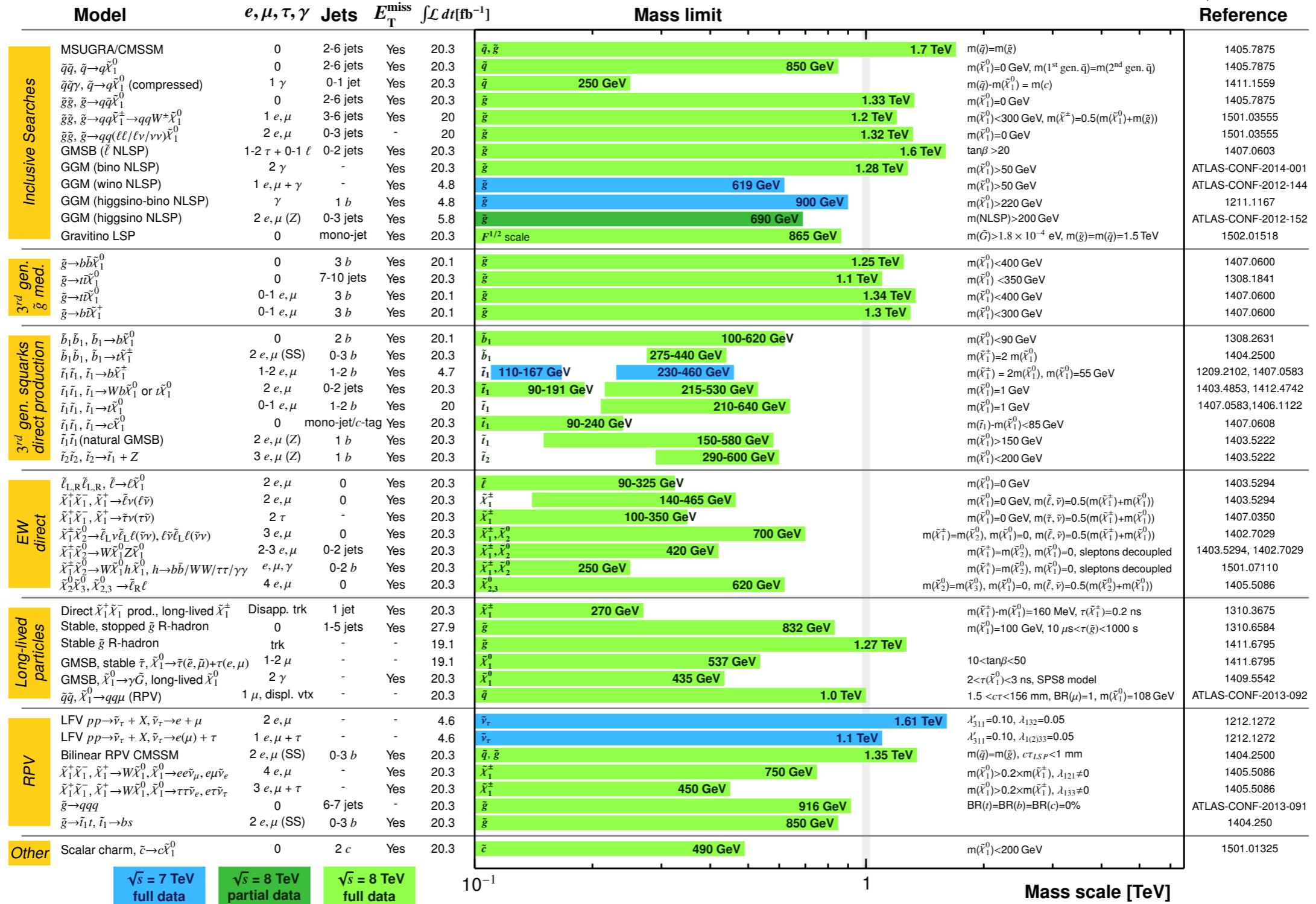
## ATLAS SUSY Searches\* - 95% CL Lower Limits

Status: Feb 2015

ATLAS Preliminary

$\sqrt{s} = 7, 8 \text{ TeV}$

Reference



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full data

$\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$   
partial data

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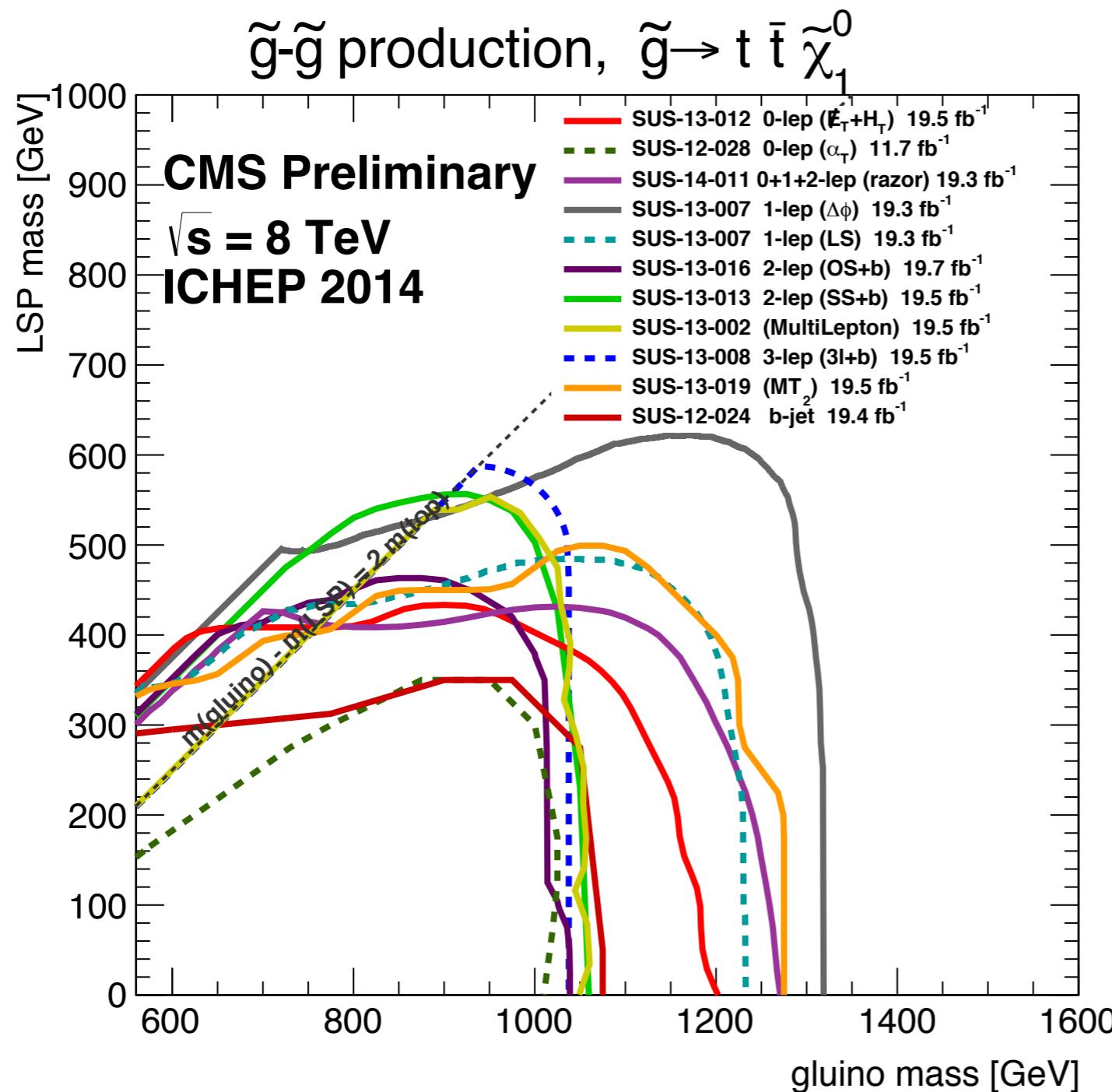
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Mass scale [TeV]

\*Only a selection of the available mass limits on new states or phenomena is shown. All limits quoted are observed minus  $1\sigma$  theoretical signal cross section uncertainty.

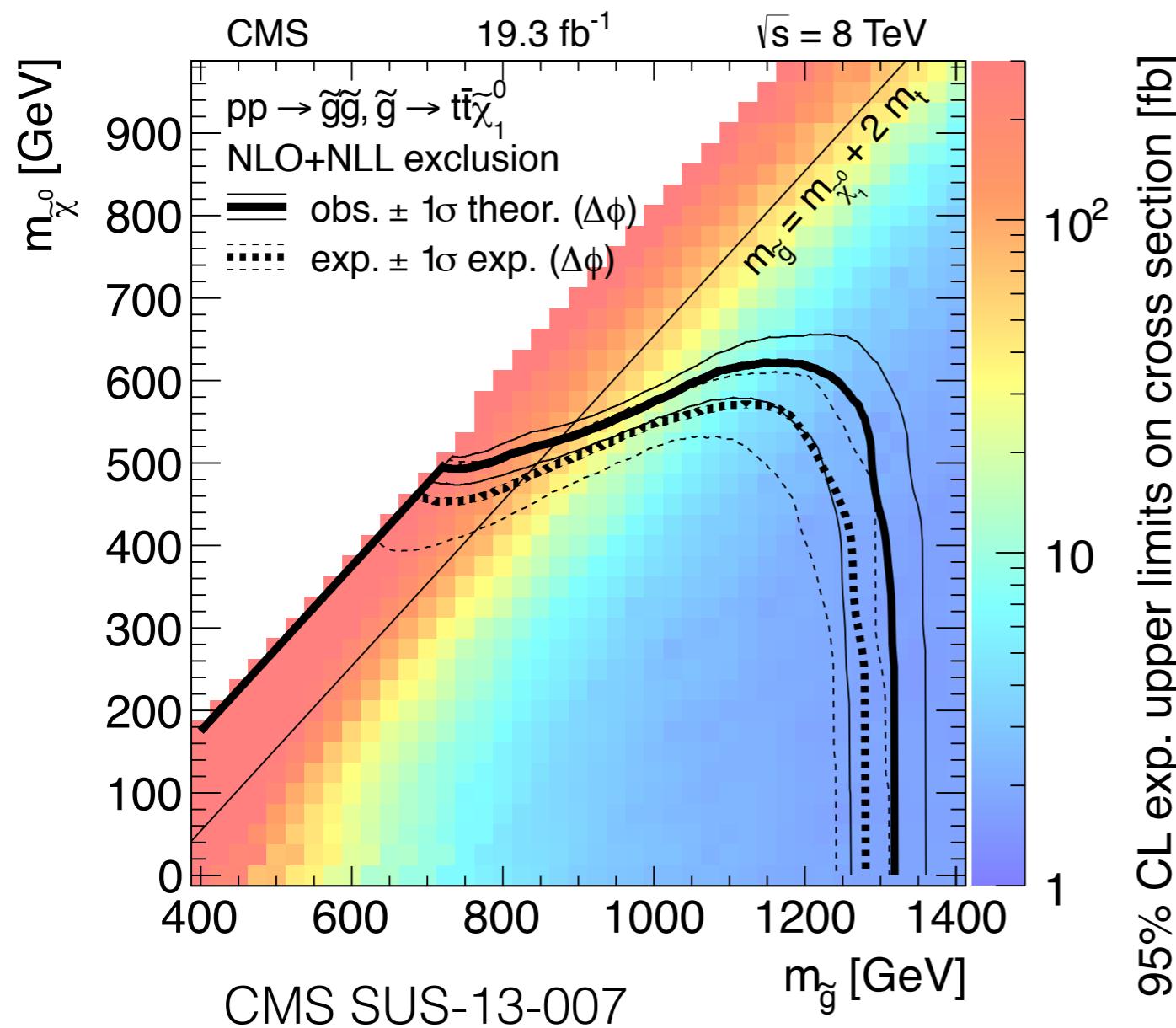
# Experimental limits are often obtained in the context of **Simplified Model Spectra (SMS)**



SMS are an effective Lagrangian description, containing only a few particles, 100% BR

Same SMS probed in many different channels

# Using SMS results



To test realistic models,  
use upper limits on  $\sigma \times \mathcal{BR}$   
(exclusion line only valid in  
the simplified model)

Assumption:  
upper limits on  $\sigma \times \mathcal{BR}$   
are mainly a function of  
the masses of the  
new particles



other quantum  
numbers may be  
neglected in first  
approximation

Decompose a BSM model into its  
**SMS components**  
and test if

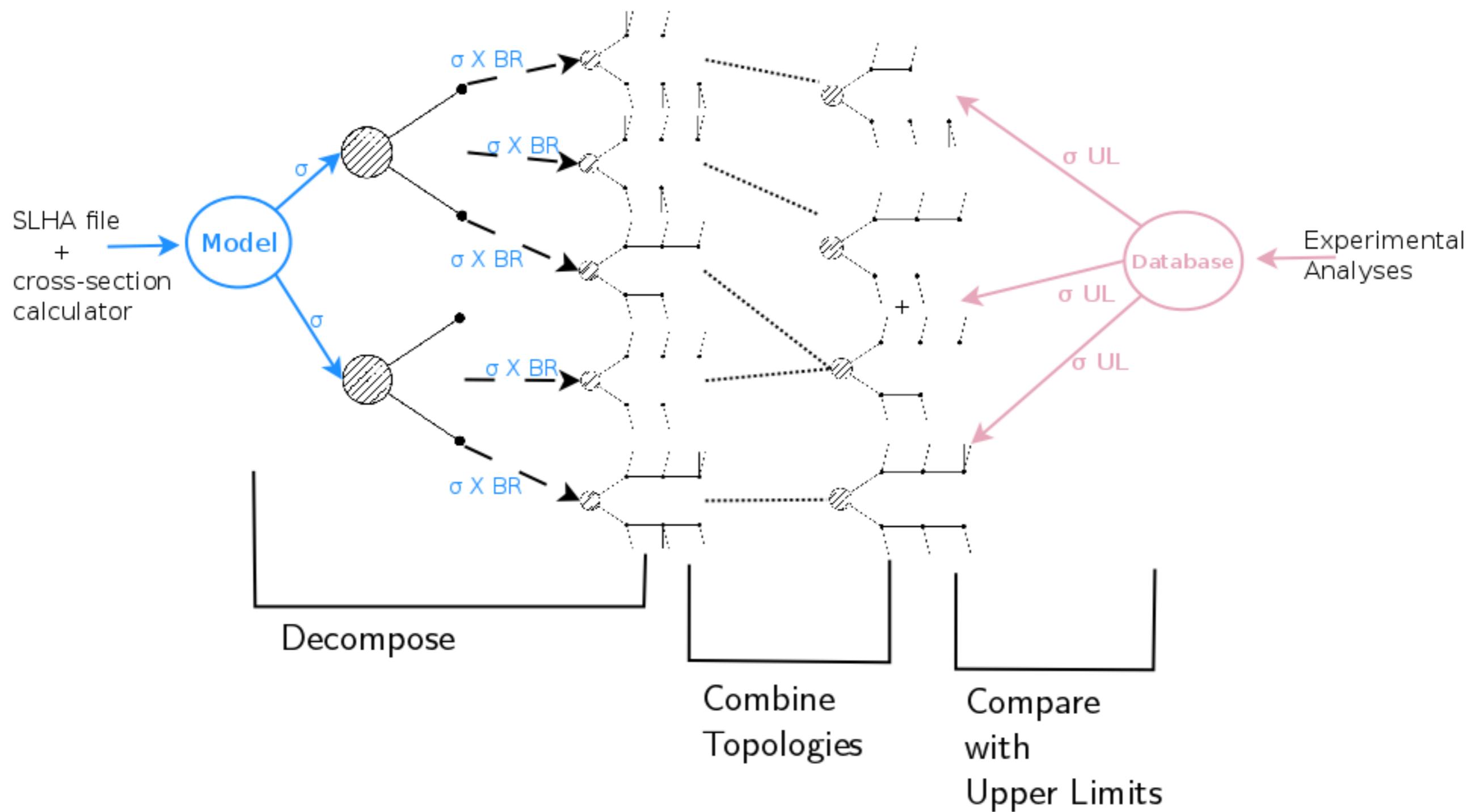
$$(\sigma \times \mathcal{BR})_{theo} > (\sigma \times \mathcal{BR})_{UL}$$



S. Kraml, S. Kulkarni, UL, A. Lessa et al., arXiv:1105.2838

- works for any model with a  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  symmetry
- database of more than 60 SMS results
- now publicly available at <http://smmodels.hephy.at/>

# SModelS framework

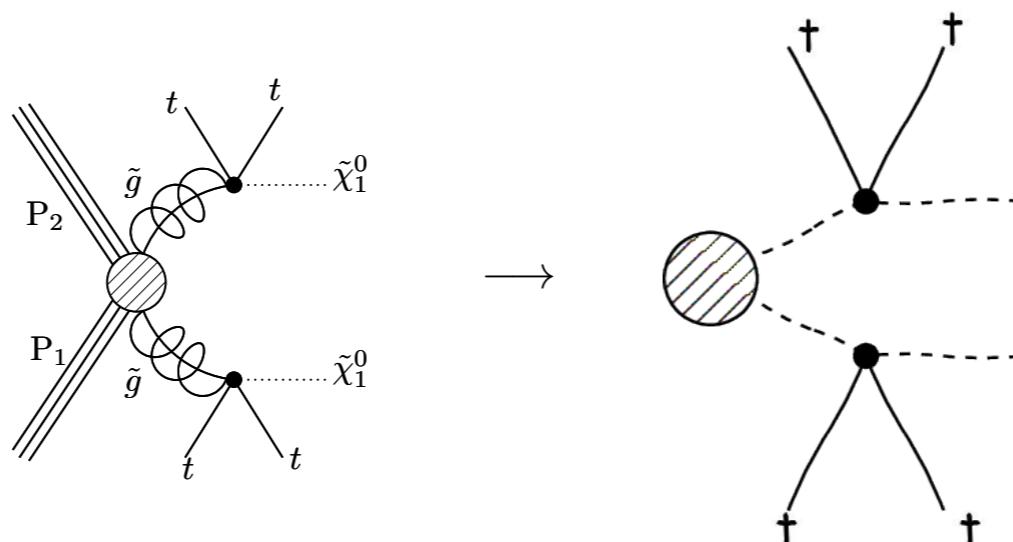


usually SUSY SMS results are obtained for a neutralino LSP

## BUT

SMS assumption → upper limits  
apply to any BSM scenario yielding  
the same signature as the considered SMS

( a signature is defined by the vertex structure and the outgoing SM particles in each vertex )



we therefore consider SMS constraints on a model with a sneutrino LSP

To use SModelS with a non-MSSM scenario, just define all new particles as r-Even or r-Odd

You can then use SModelS to decompose a point in your BSM scenario, using as input

- an **LHE file** containing simulated events, or
- an **SLHA file** containing the full mass spectrum, decay tables and the SUSY production cross sections

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additional checks, in particular SModelS can flag points with long-lived particles, where current SMS limits do not apply

# Output

**for any applicable result**

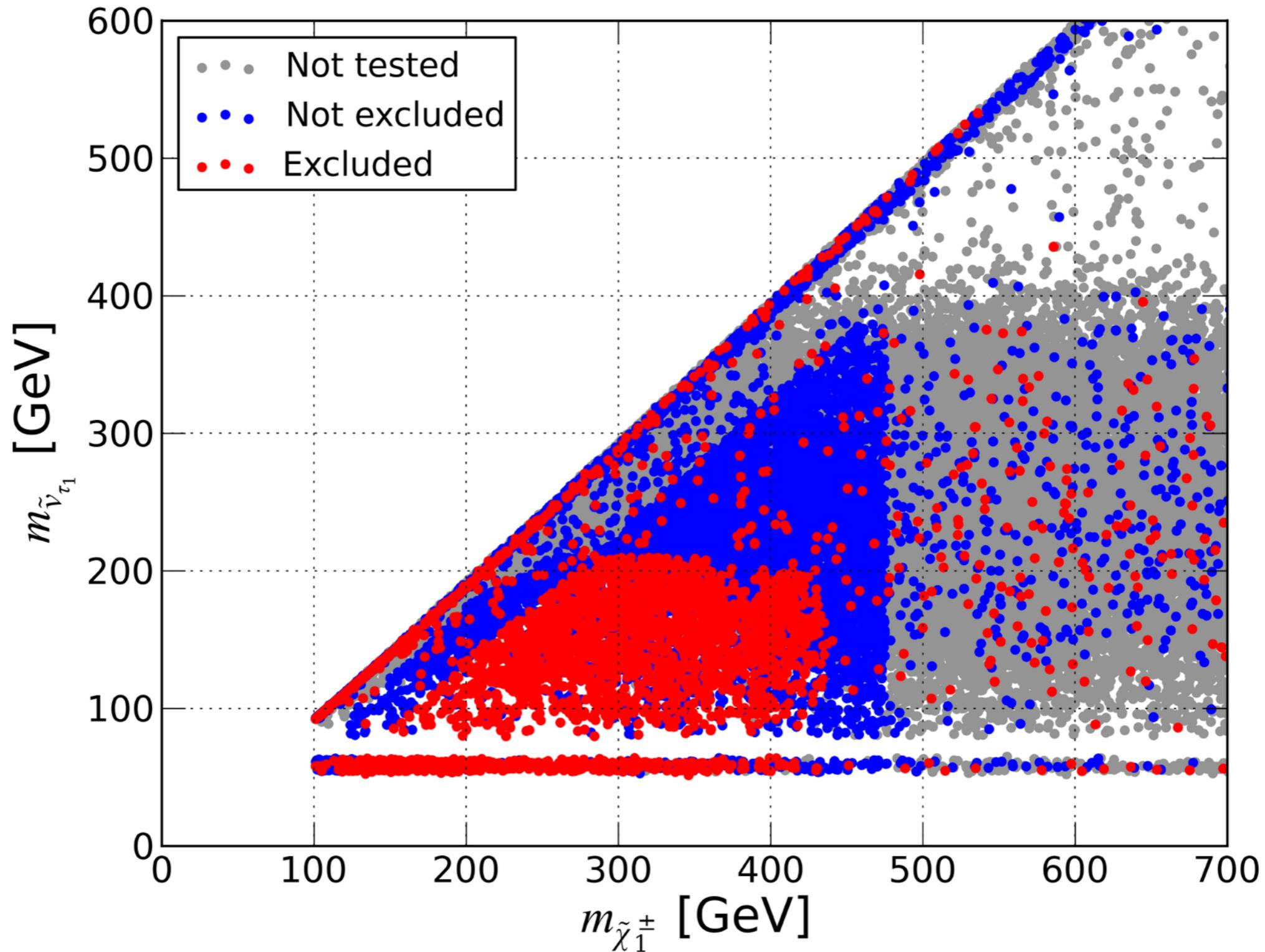
- analysis ID
- topology ID (tX name)
- theory cross section prediction
- experimental upper limit
- ratio prediction/upper limit

**additional output**

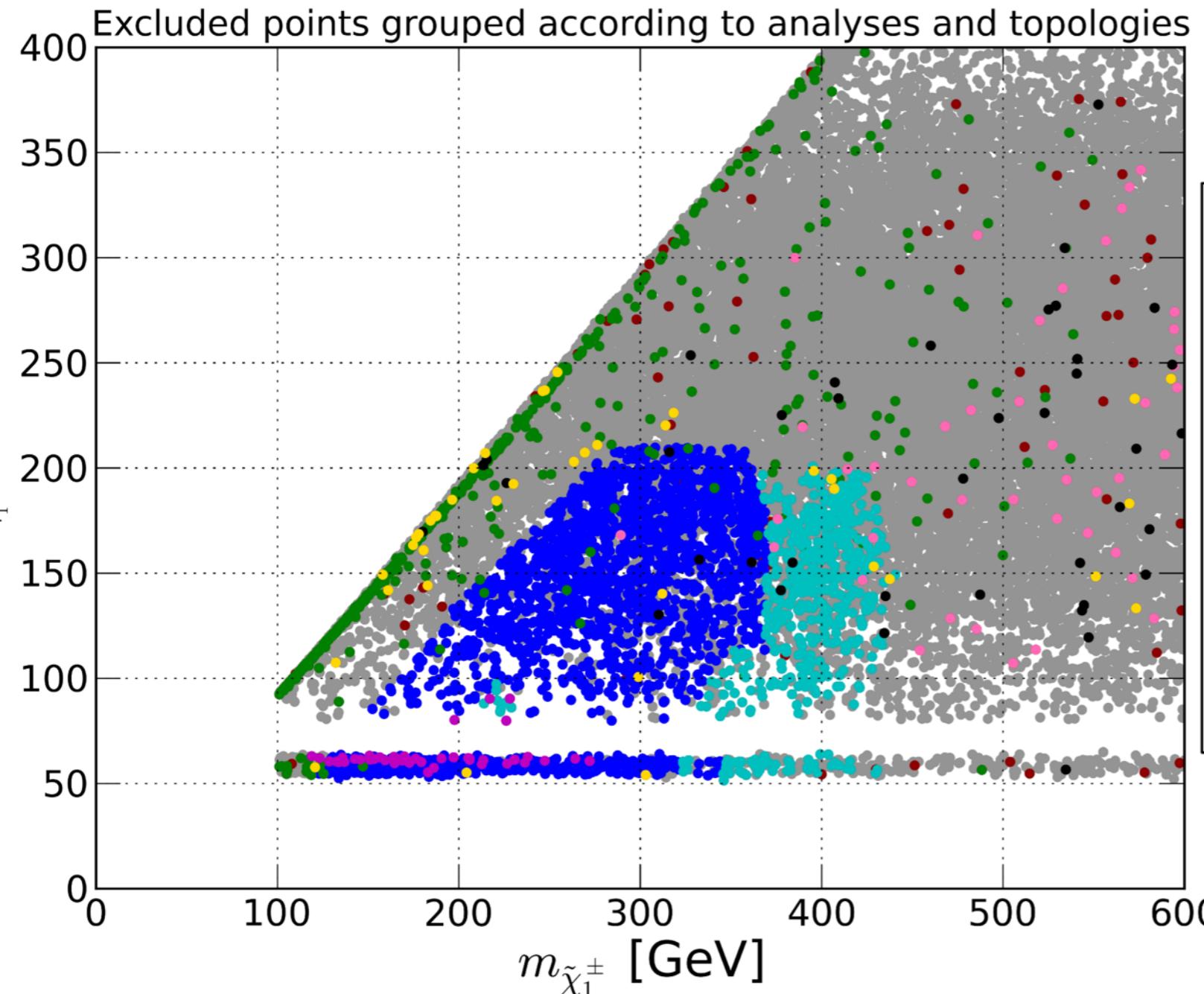
“missing topologies”, i.e. signatures that are not covered by any result in the database

- theory cross section prediction
- description of the signature

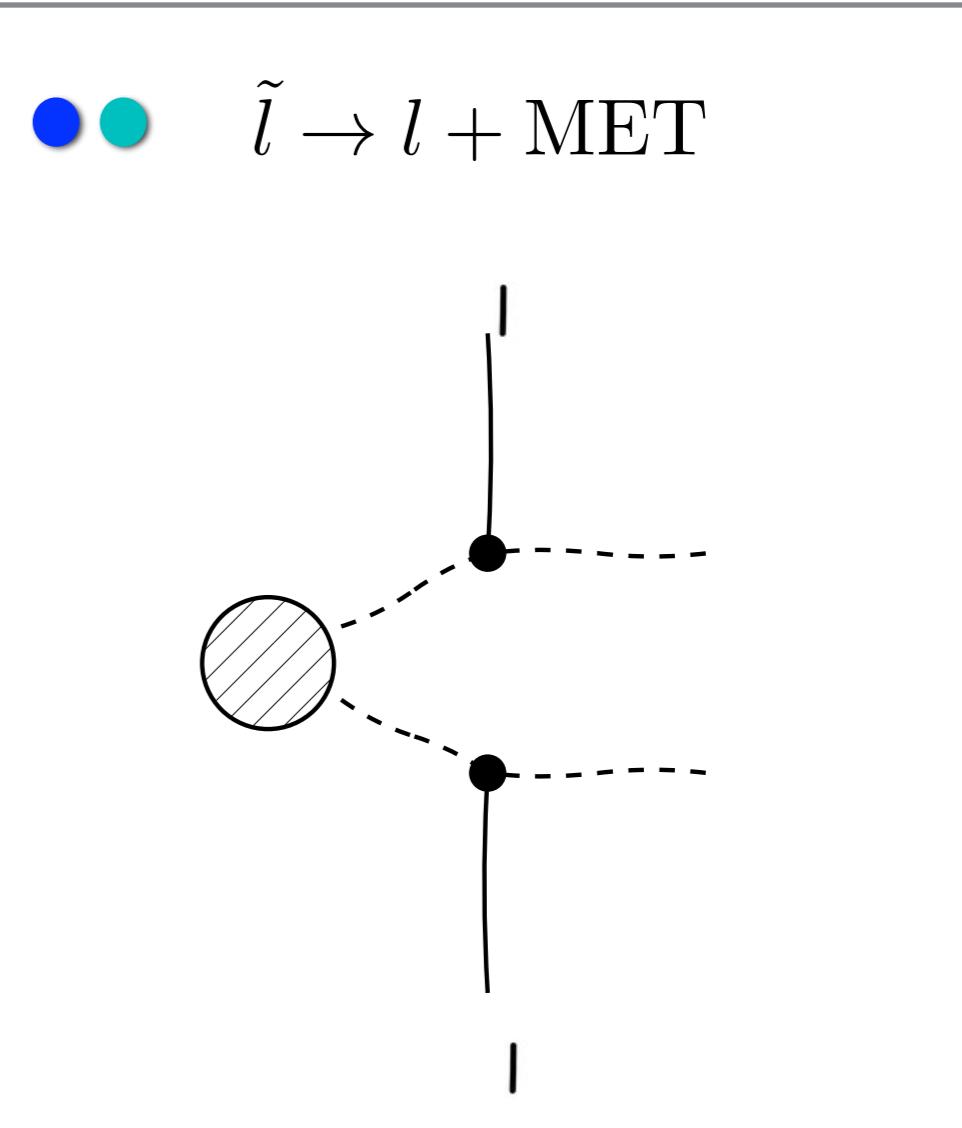
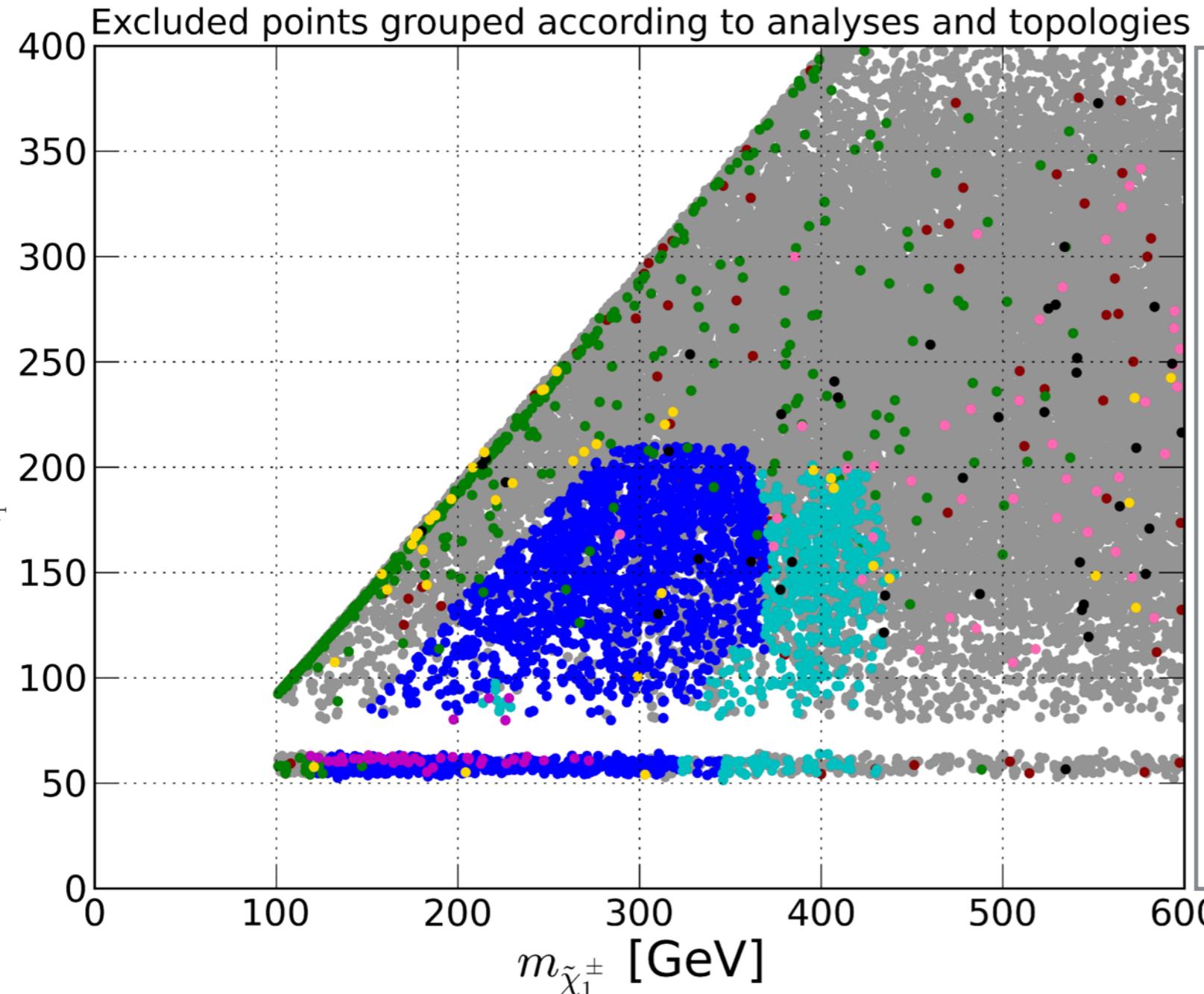
# The results in the chargino - LSP mass plane



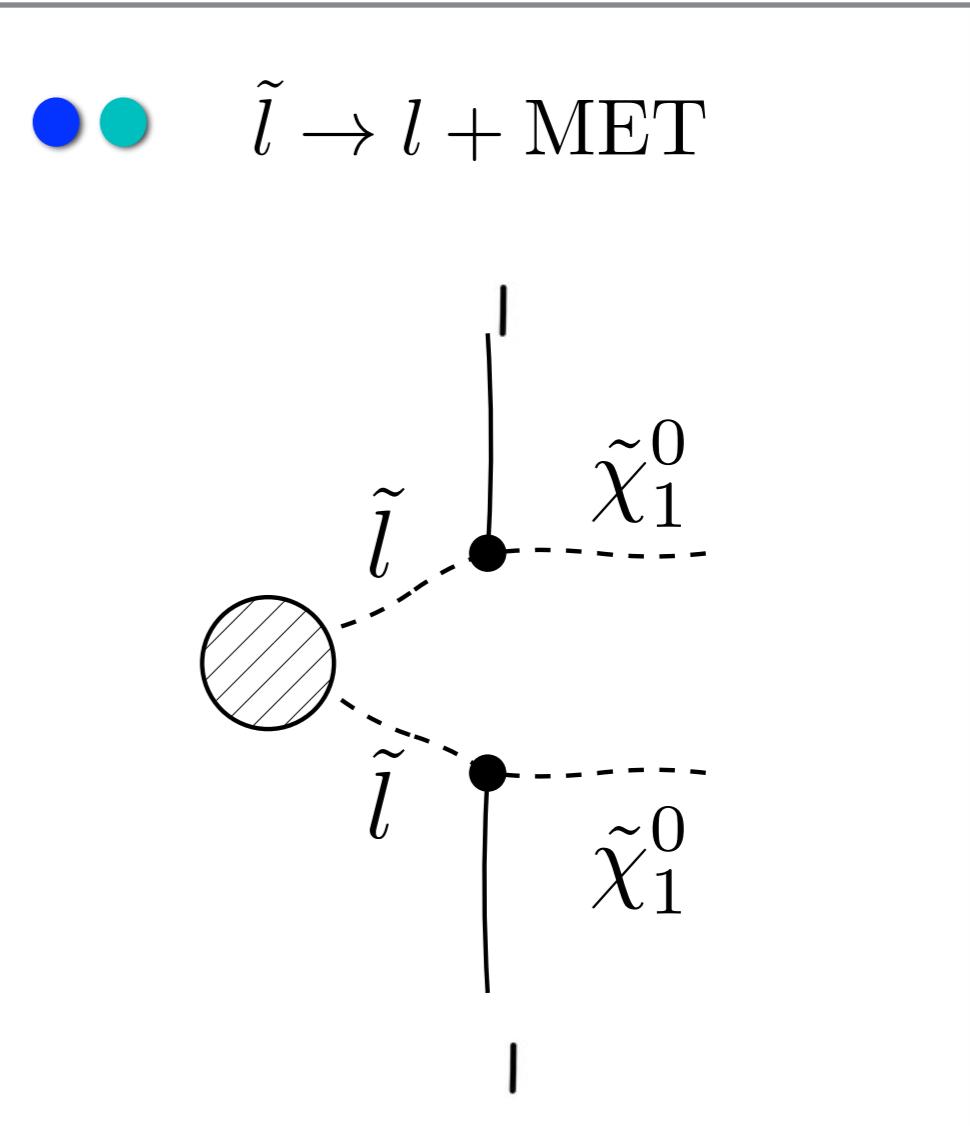
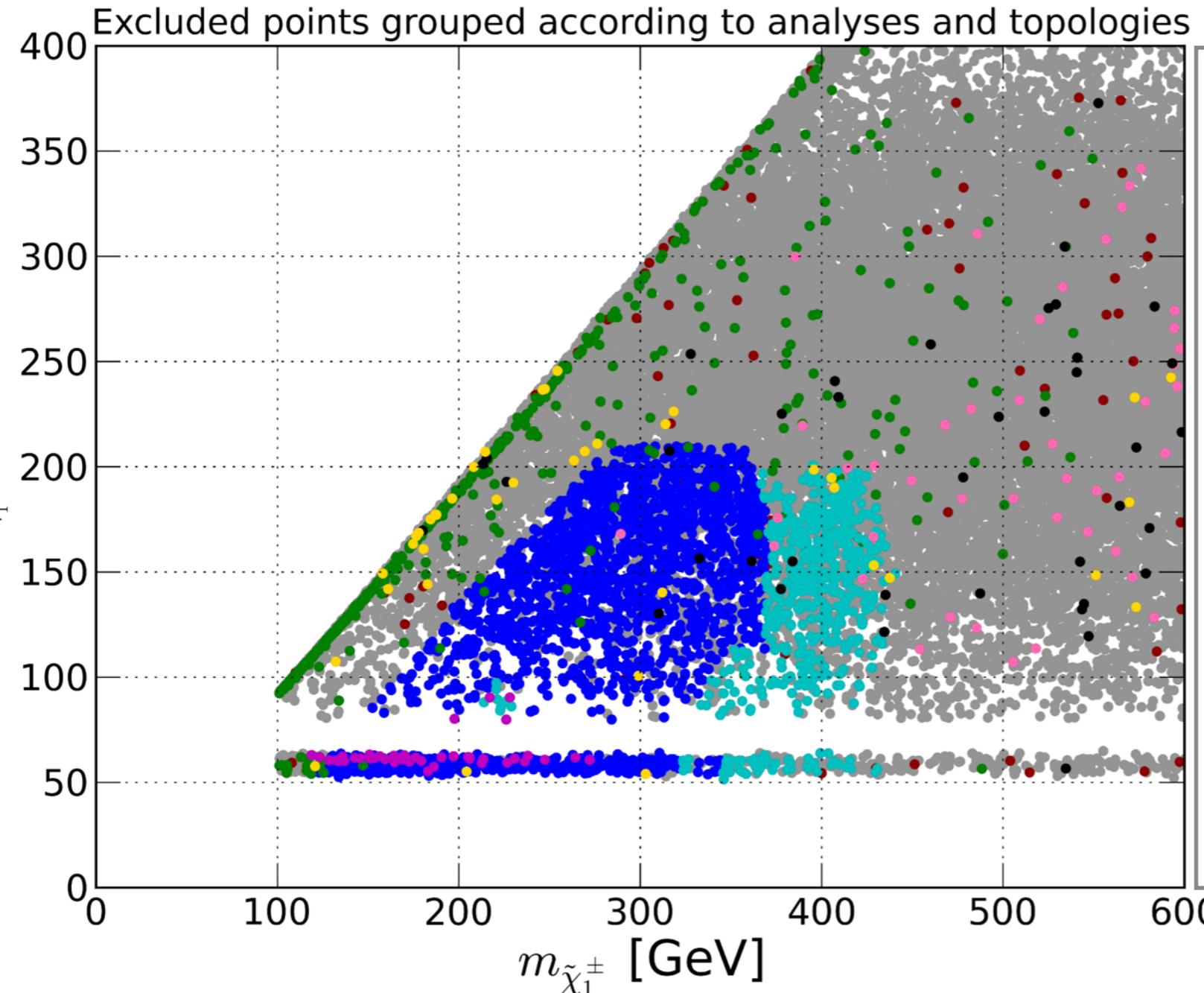
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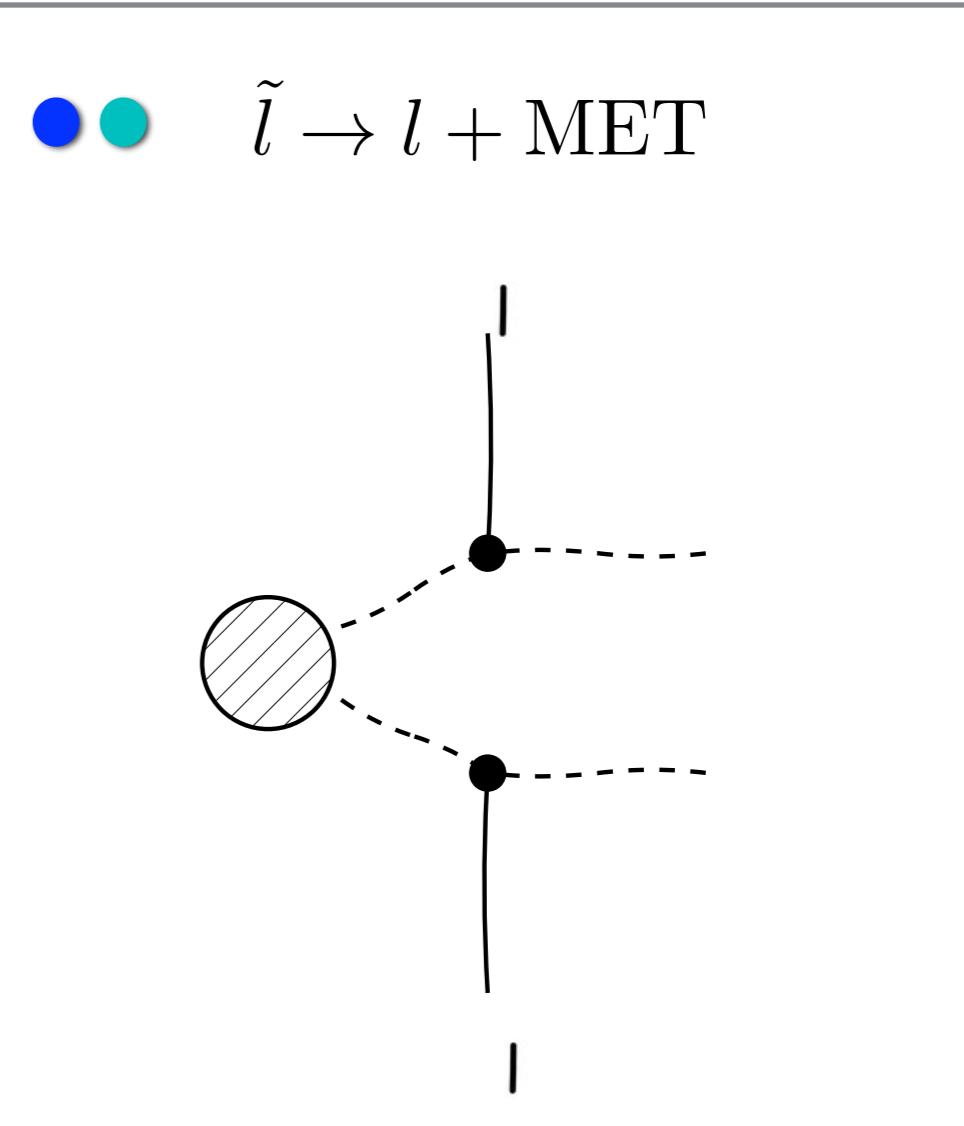
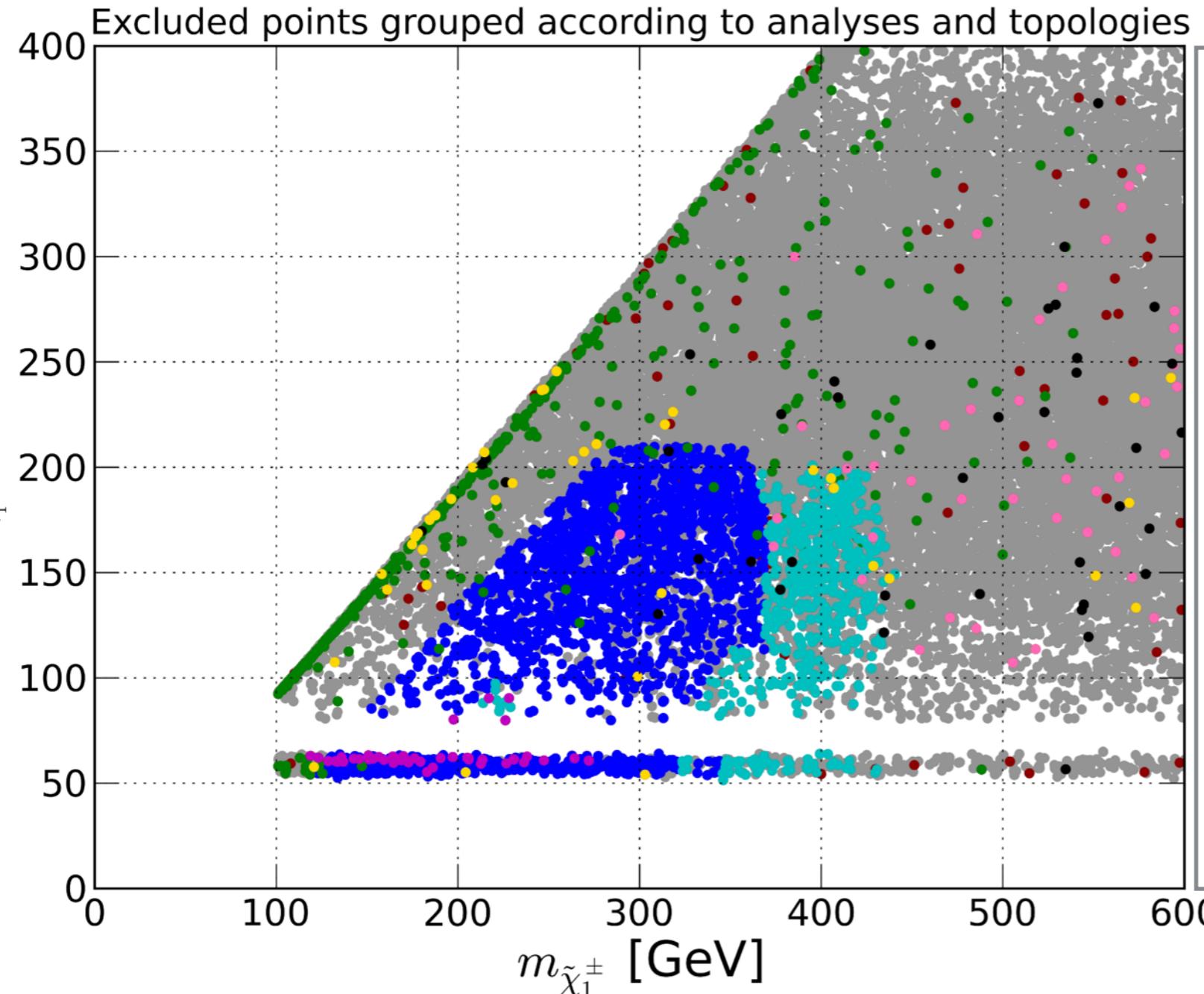
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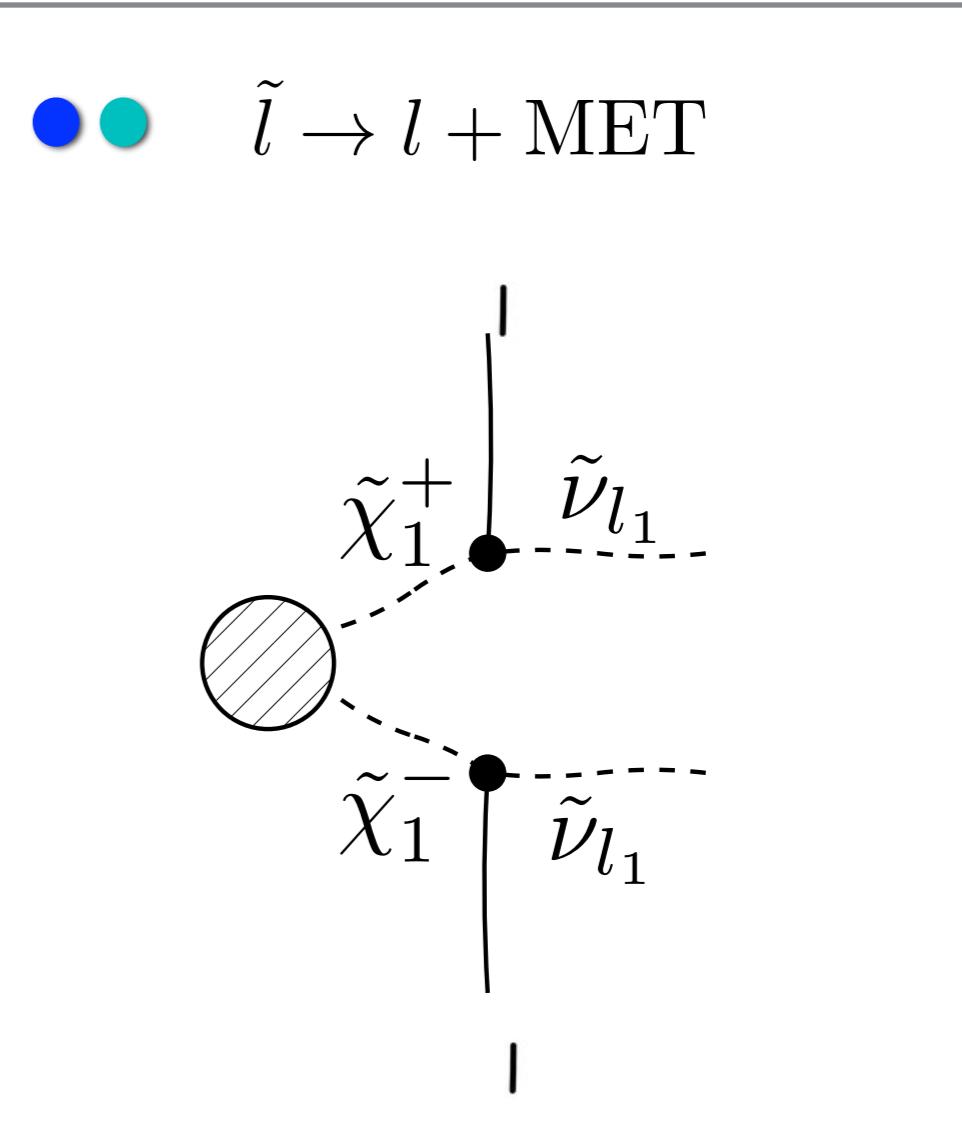
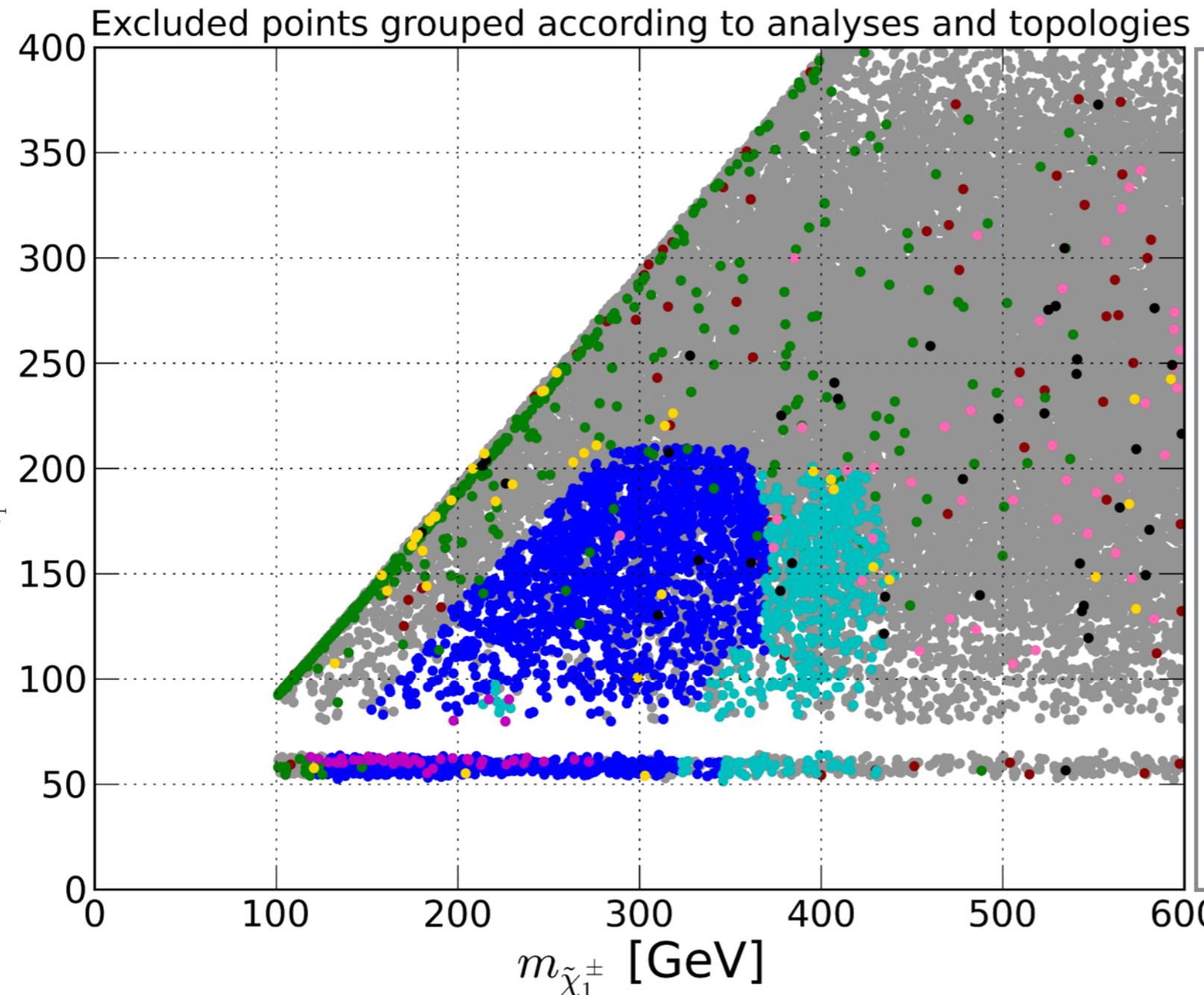
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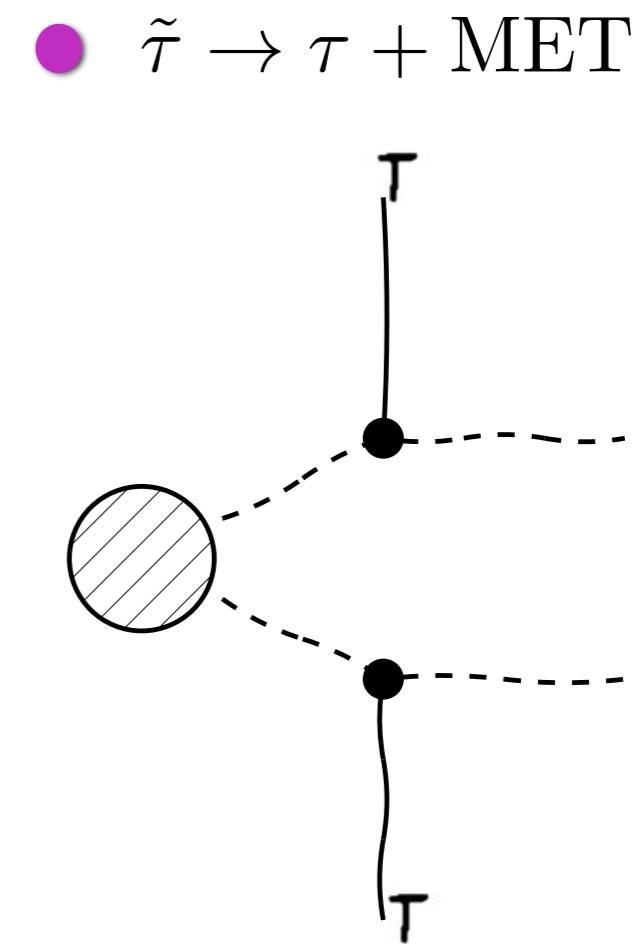
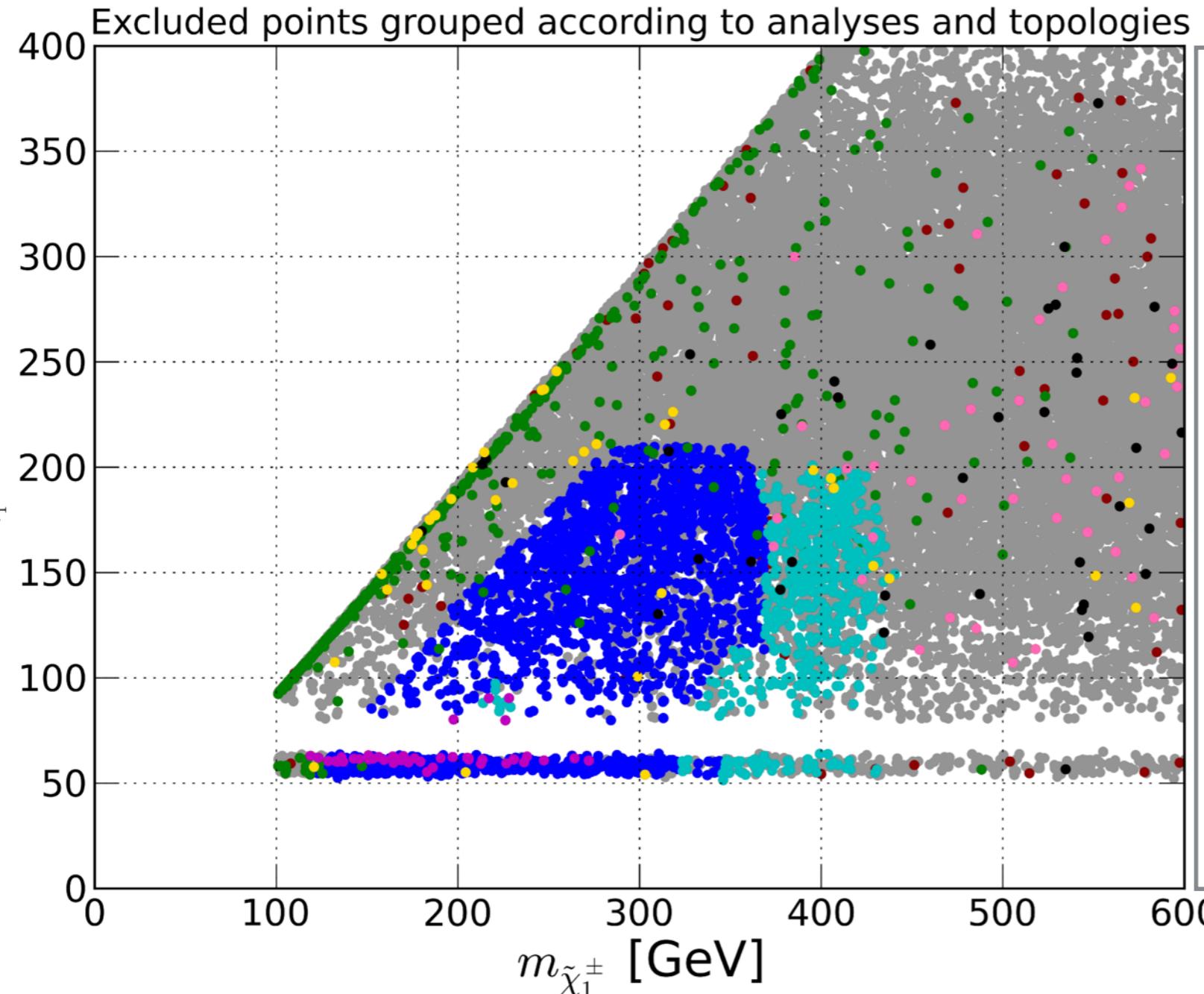
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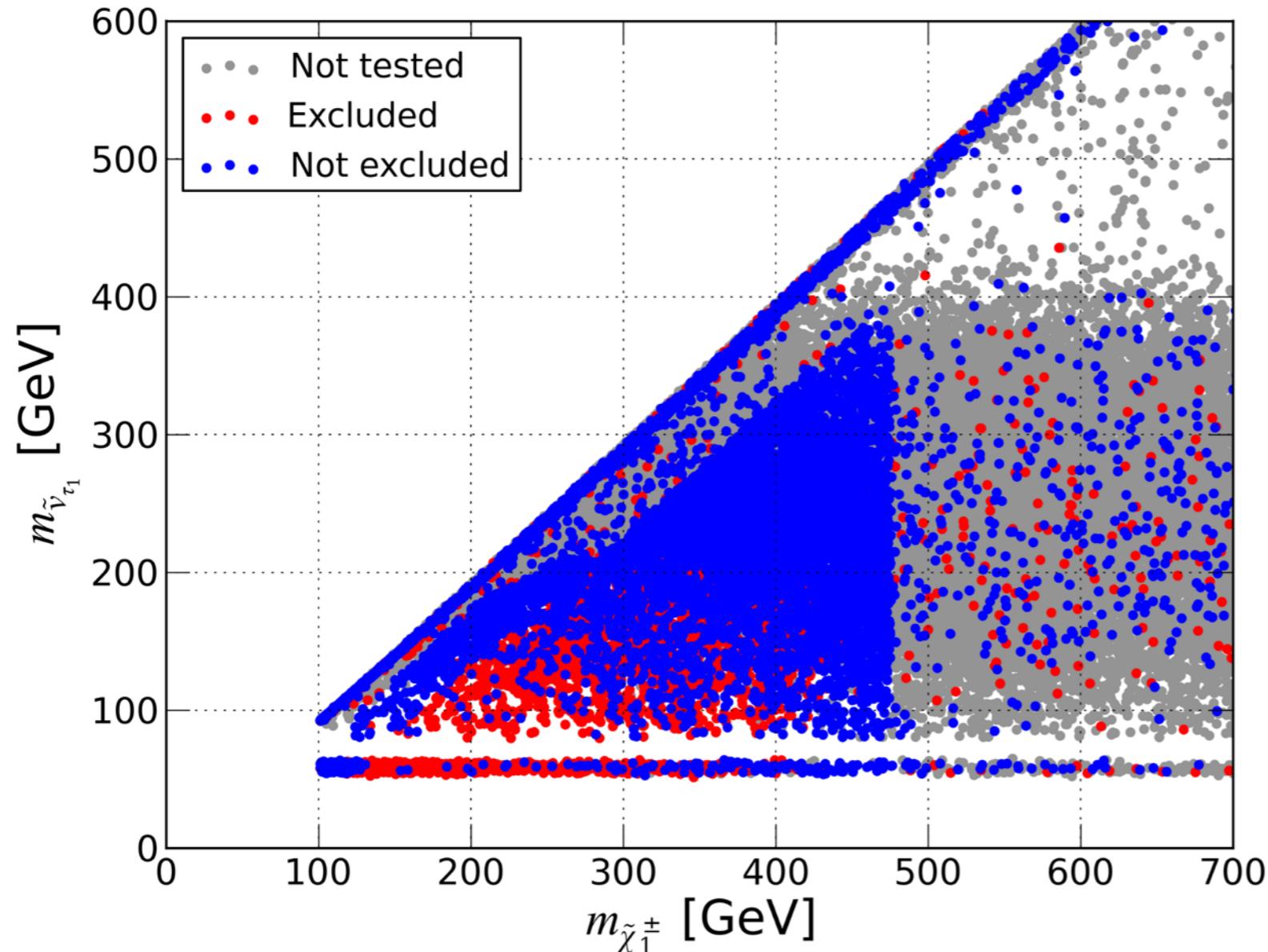
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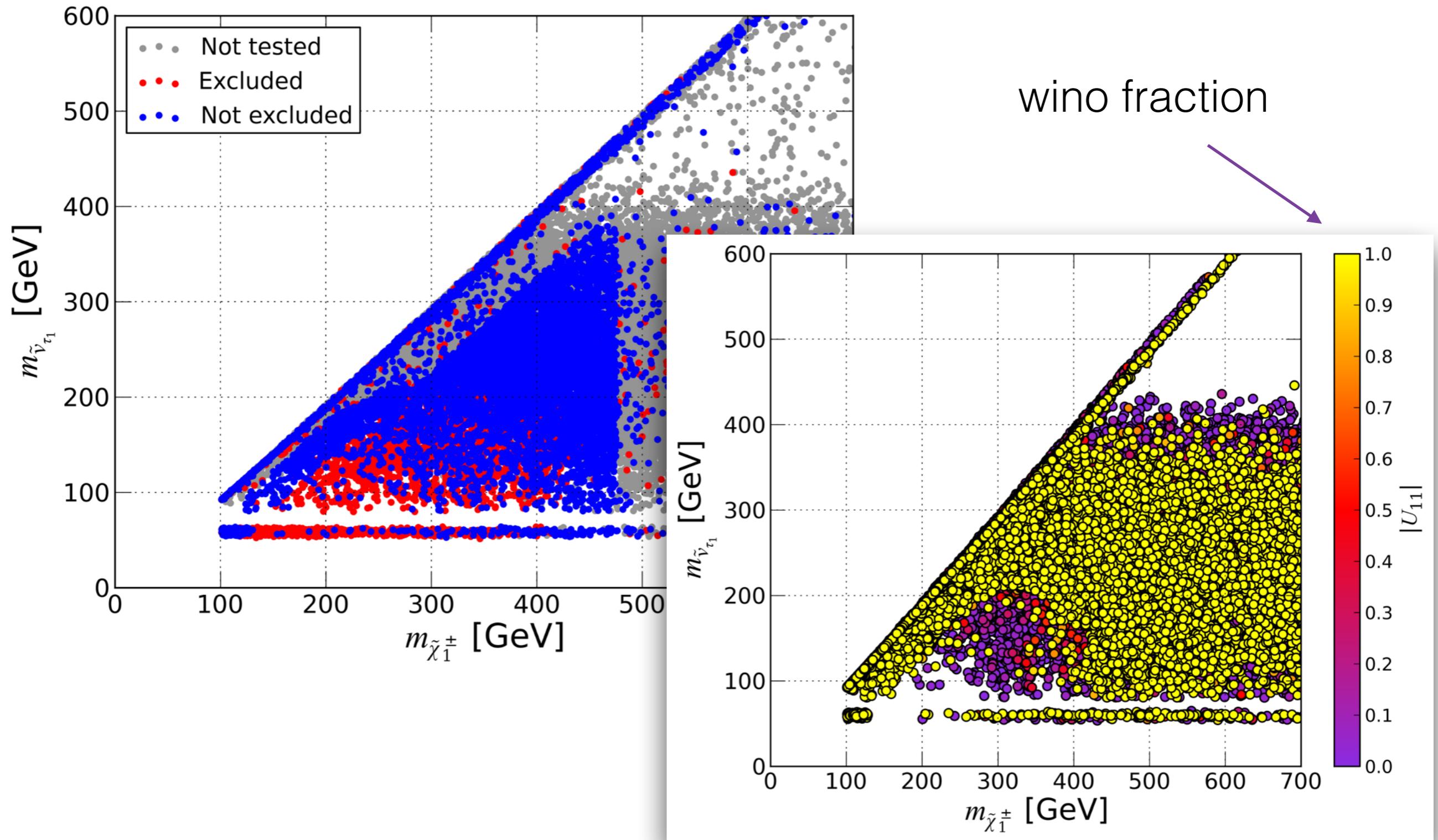
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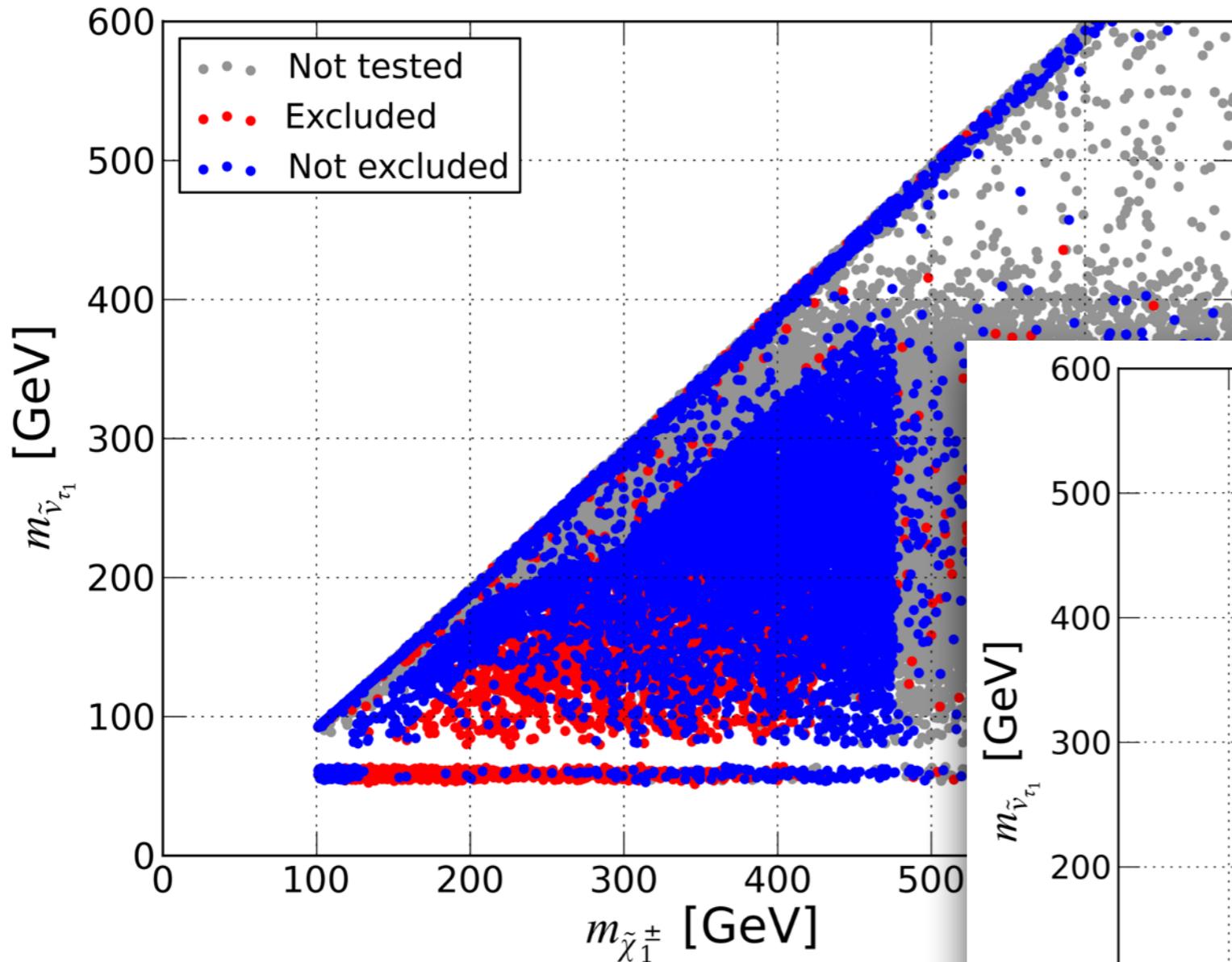
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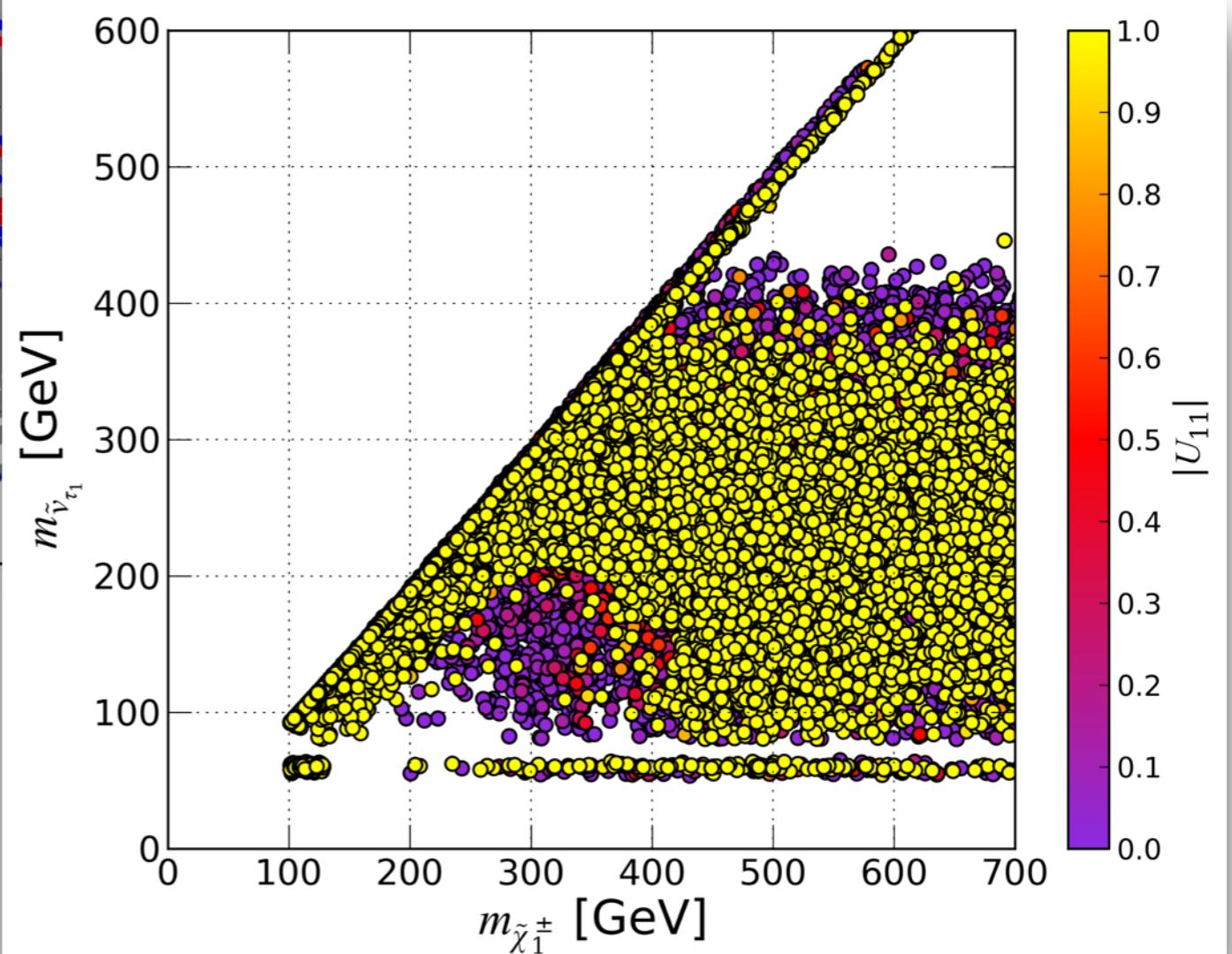
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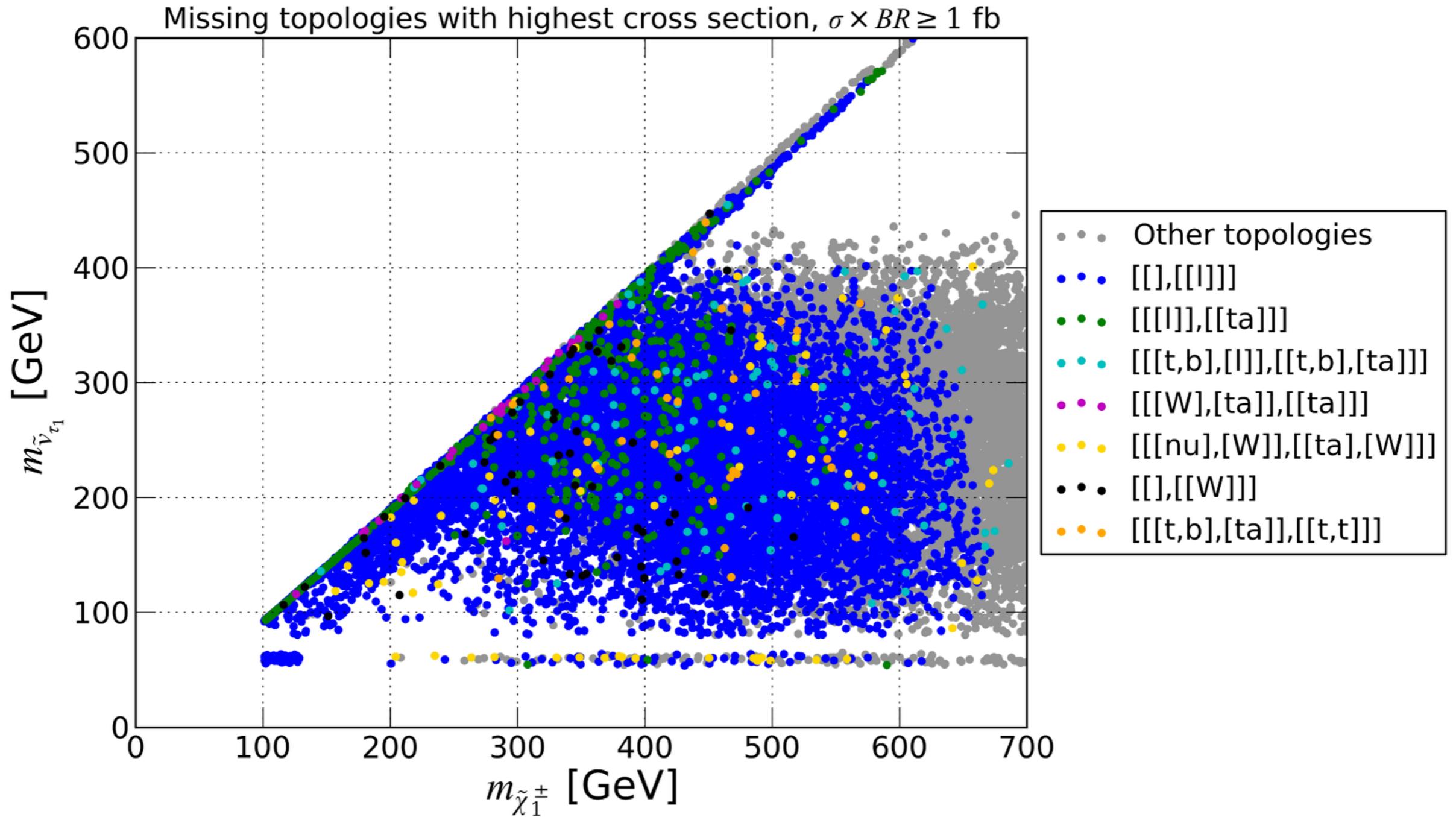
higgsino-like charginos:

- smaller production cross section
- larger branching to tau final states

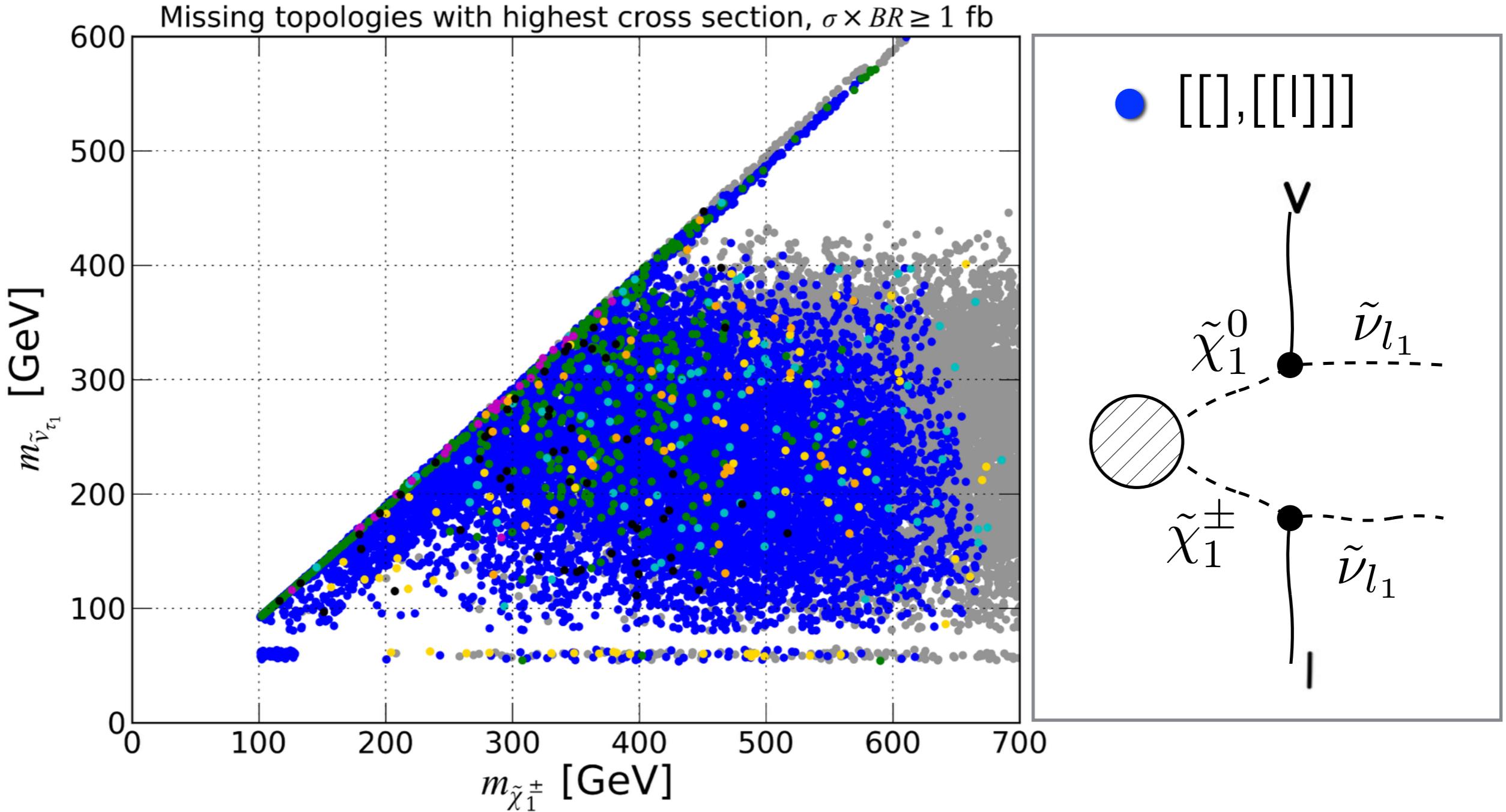
wino fraction



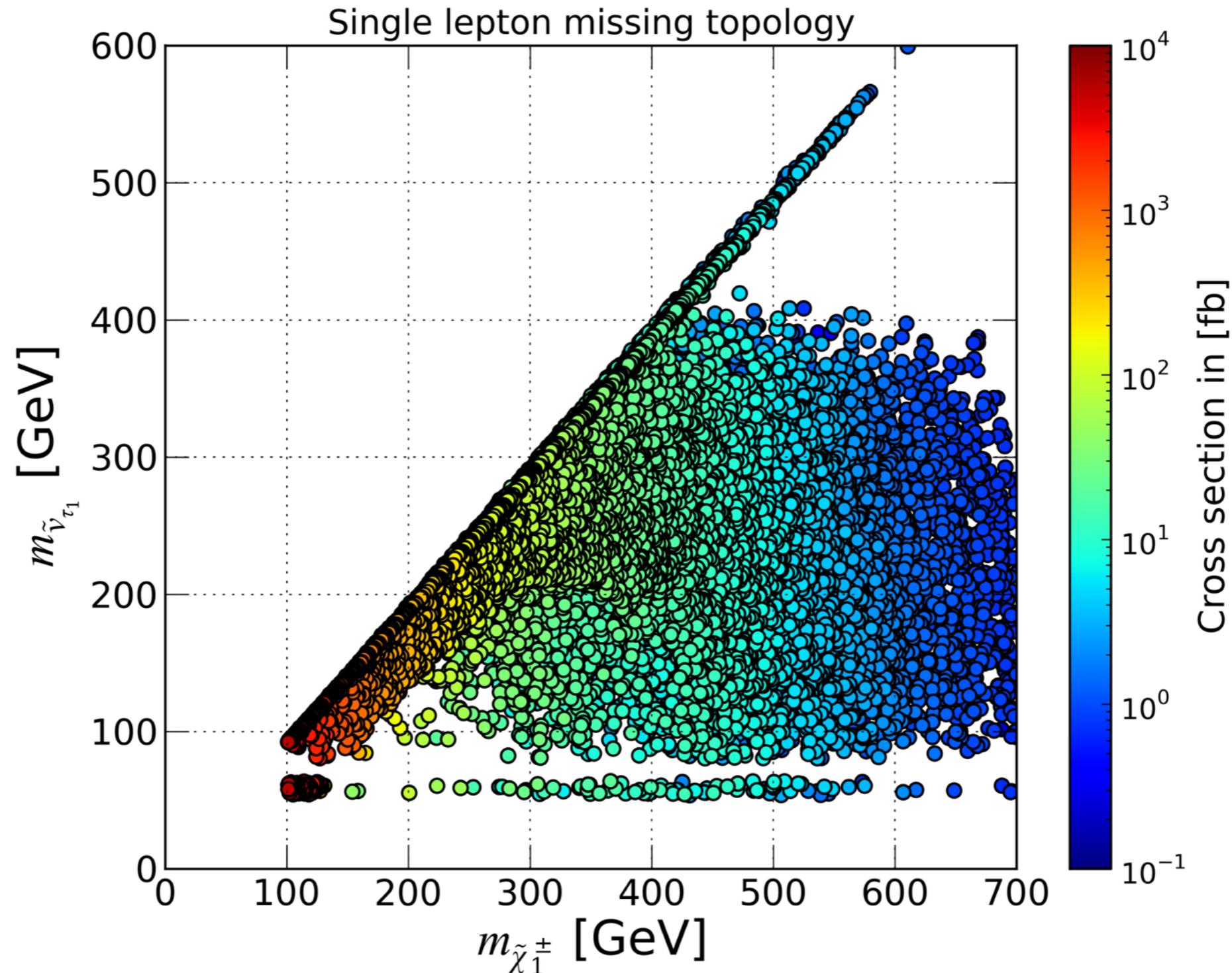
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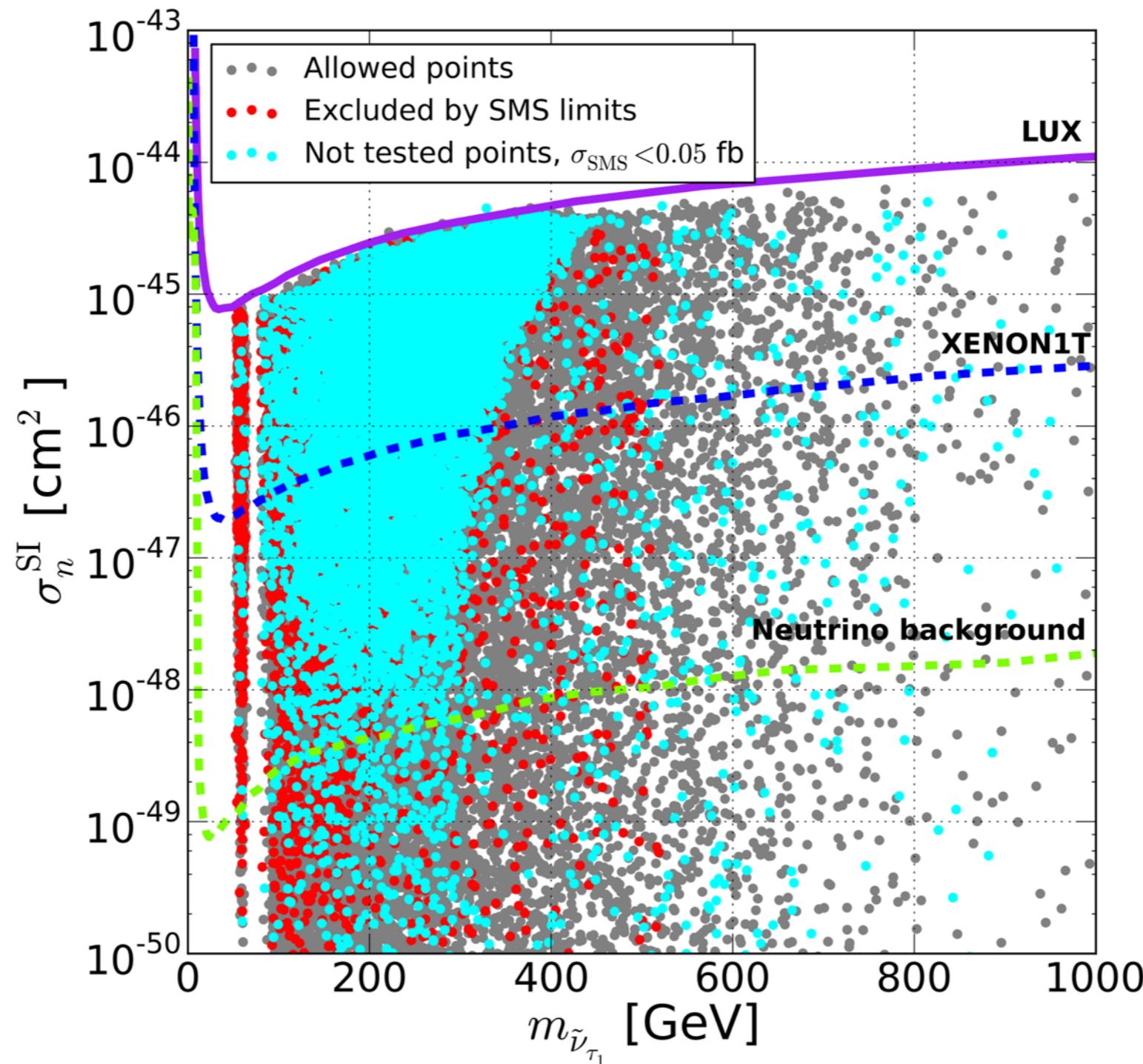
# What do we miss?



# The single lepton topology can have a large cross section



# LHC searches and direct dark matter detection experiments are complementary



# Conclusion

- Existing LHC results can constrain the MSSM+RN
- In particular dilepton+MET searches constrain chargino pair production
- Constraints obtained for slepton production (followed by a decay to a neutralino) apply to pair produced charginos (decaying to a sneutrino)
- Single lepton searches considering chargino-neutralino production followed by a decay to sneutrino would test the model further
- LHC constraints are complementary to direct dark matter searches
- Long-lived gluinos are symptomatic in the MSSM+RN

# Backup

# Using SModelS for non-MSSM scenarios

Simply declare all new particles as R-even or R-odd in smodels/particles.py

## Example

```
rOdd = {900000 : "newR0dd",
         100021 : "gluino",
         100022 : "N1",
         ...
         }

rEven = {8000000: "newREven"
          25 : "higgs",
          ...
          }
```

# Additional feature for SLHA input files

SModelS can test the consistency of an SLHA input file

## In particular

Current experimental constraints require final states containing missing transverse energy

→ results apply only for prompt decays

points with visible displaced vertices or heavy charged particle tracks cannot be tested against existing SMS results

→ we flag points with long-lived particles ( $c\tau > 10 \text{ mm}$ )

Requires additional information on the quantum numbers of the new states to decide if a displaced vertex is visible or not

this is also defined in smodels/particles.py

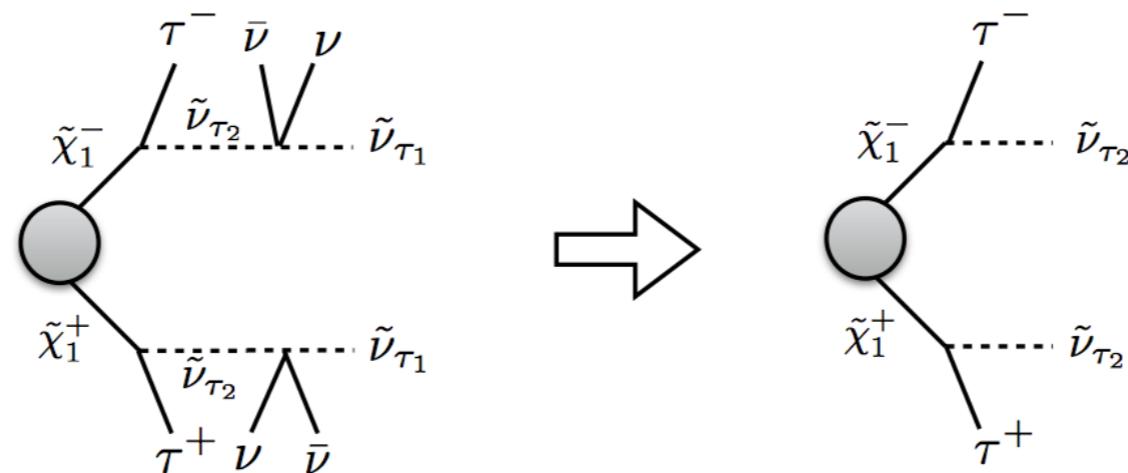
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qNumbers={  
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    36: [0,0,1],  
    37: [0,3,1],  
    1000024: [1,3,1],  
    ...  
}
```

giving 2\*spin, 3\*electrical charge, colour dimension

# Compression of final states

## Invisible compression

compress fully invisible vertices at the end of a decay chain



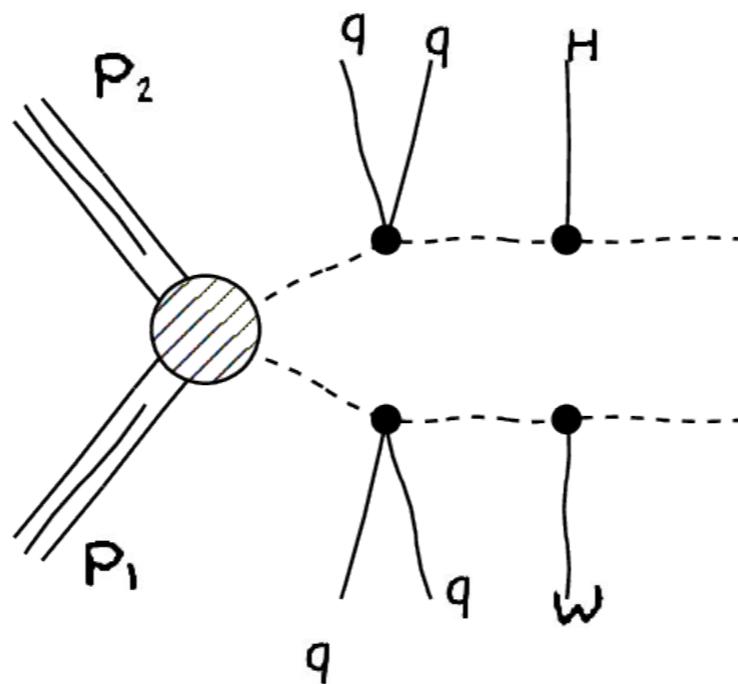
## Mass compression

compress vertices where the mass splitting is small, decay products will be too soft to be detected

we used 5 GeV as the threshold value

# How to read the element description

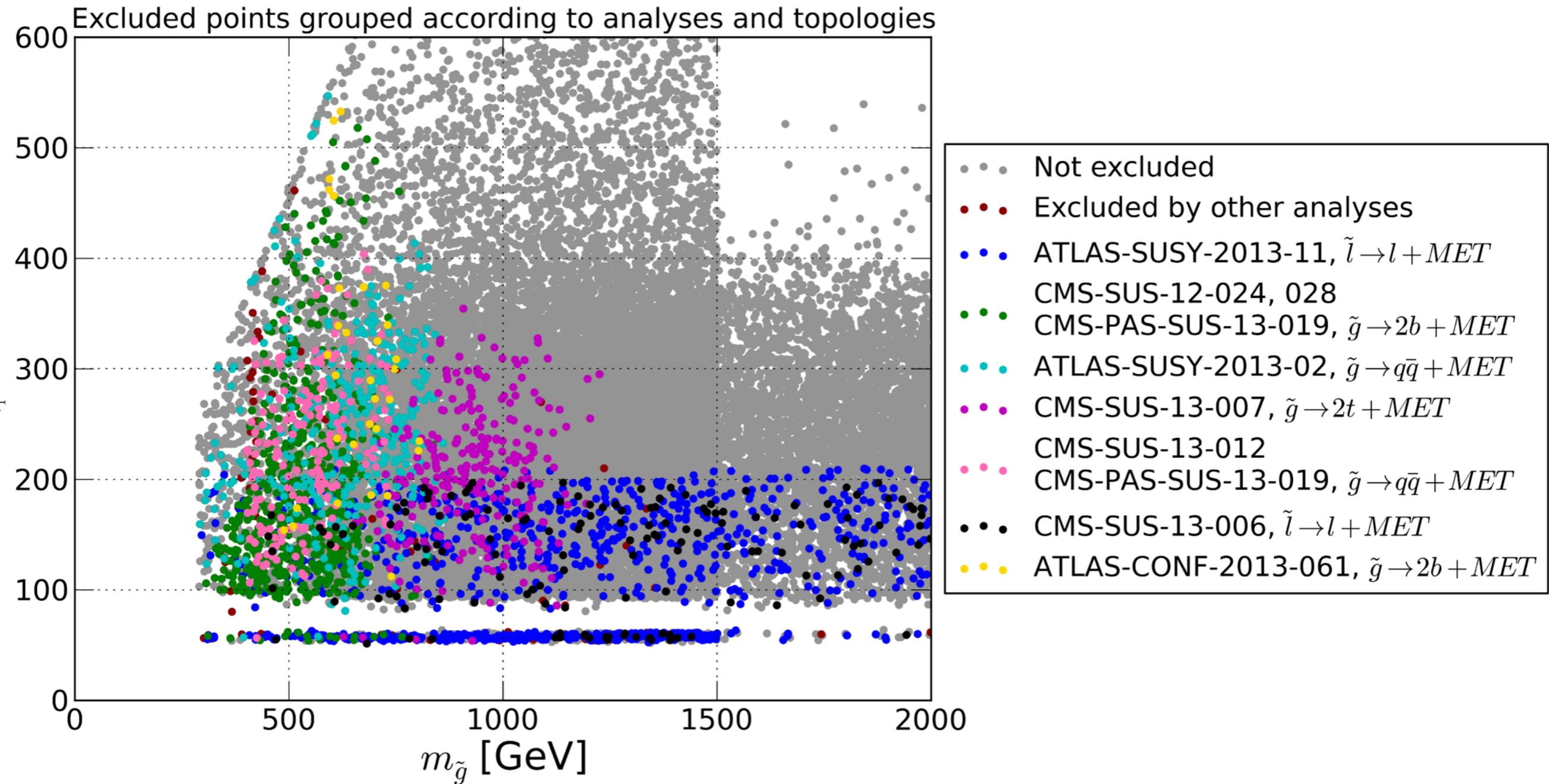
Example: gluino production, decay via chargino/neutralino



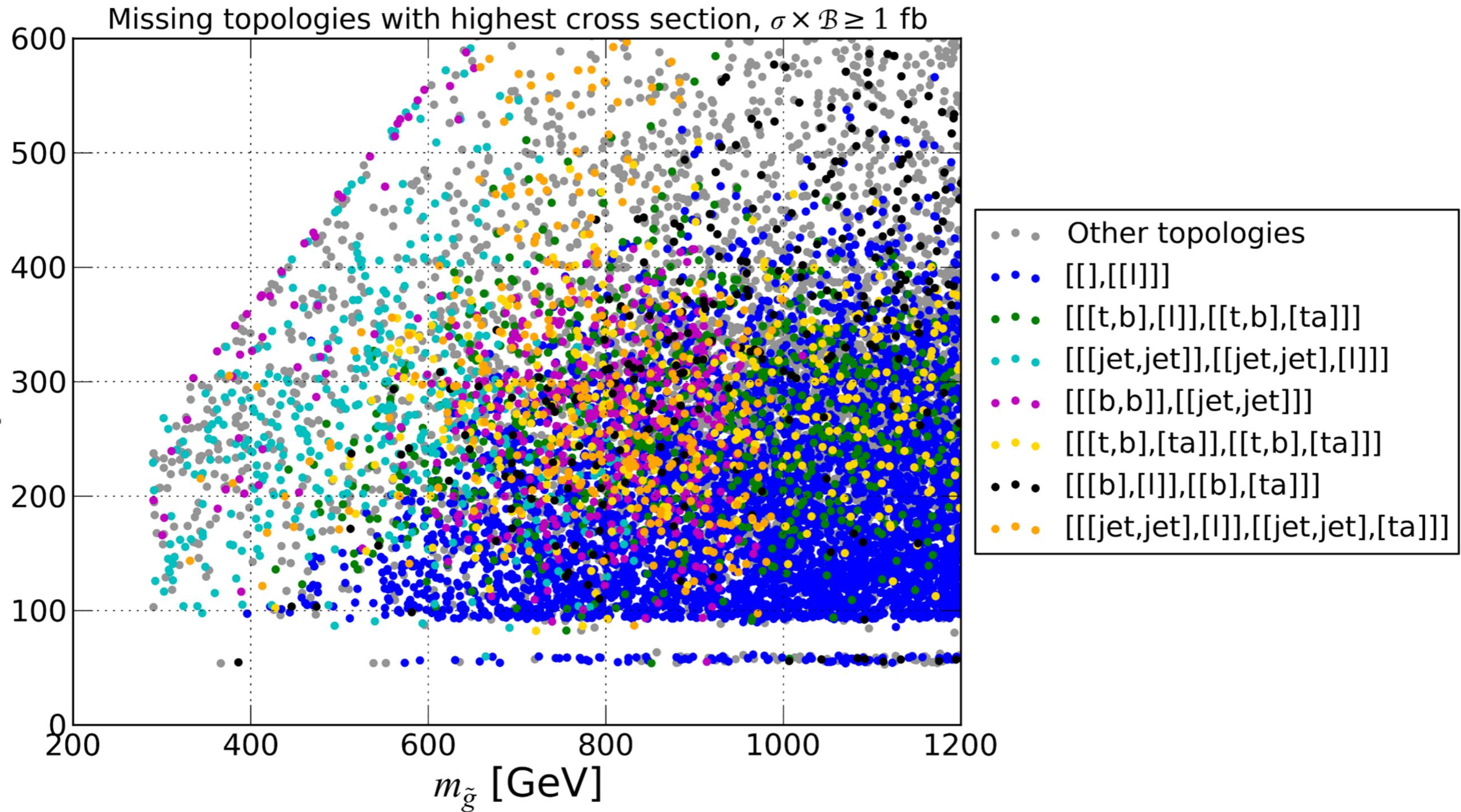
in SModelS language this is

**`[[[jet,jet],[H]],[[jet,jet],[W]]]`**

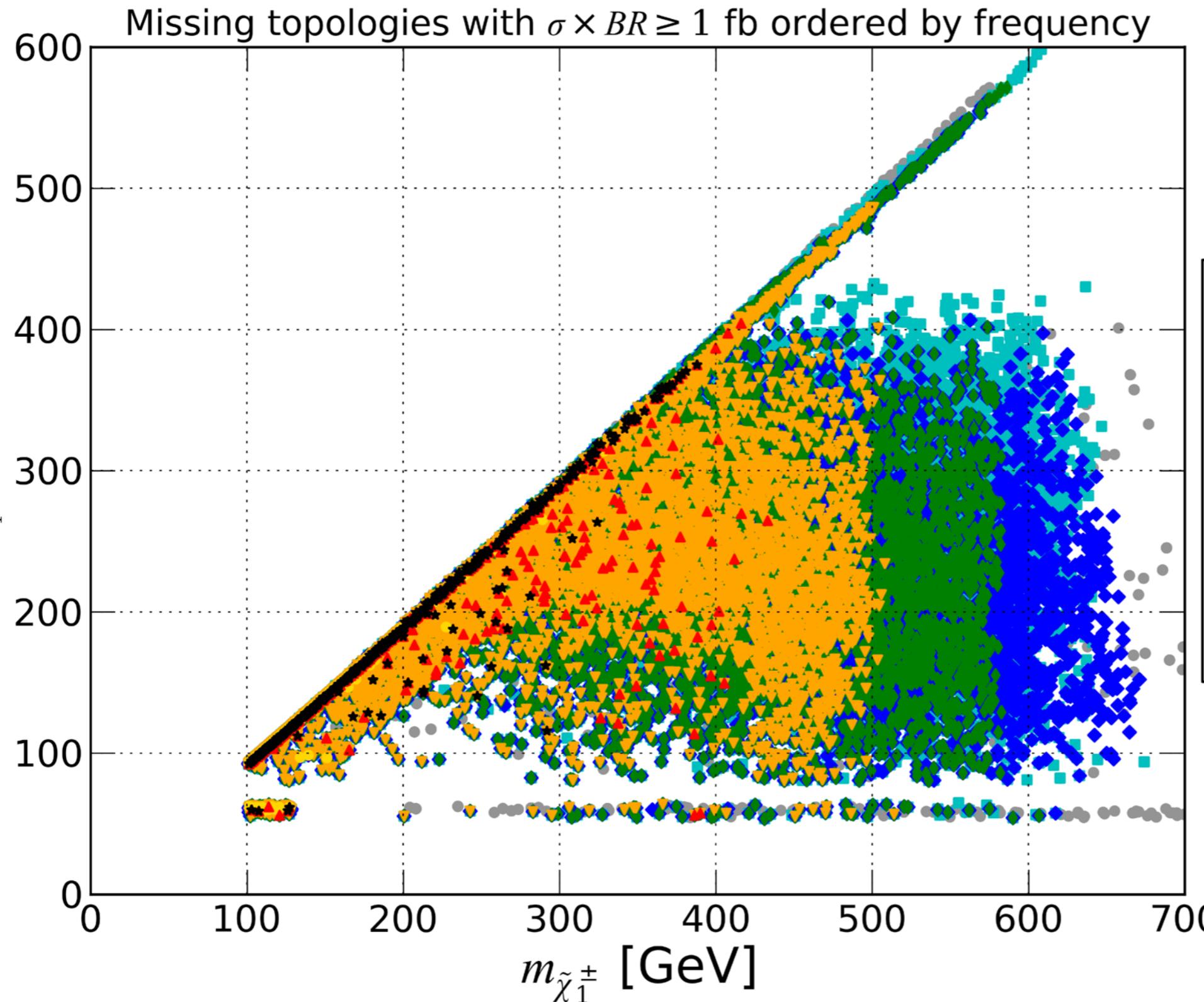
# Constraints on the strong sector



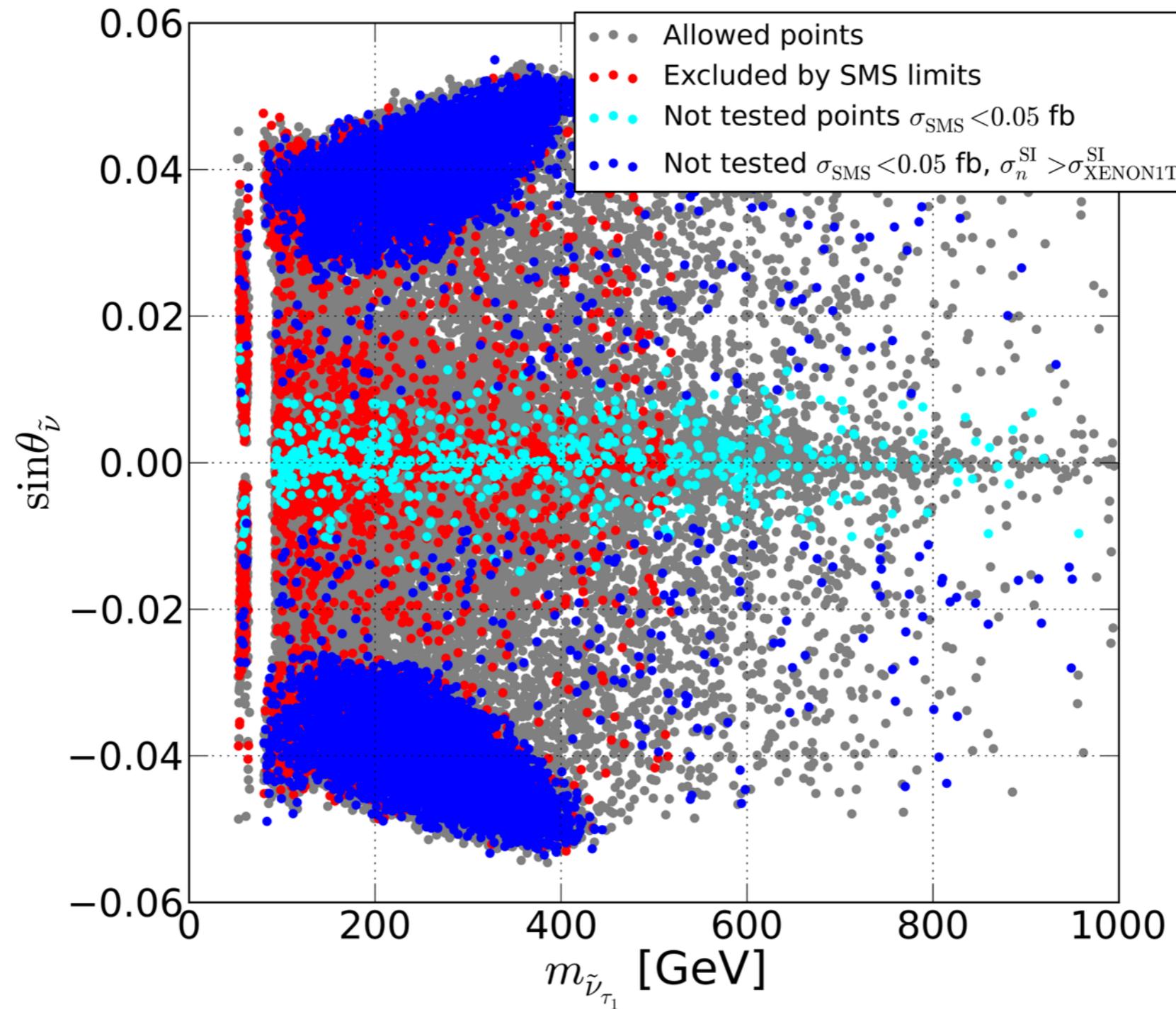
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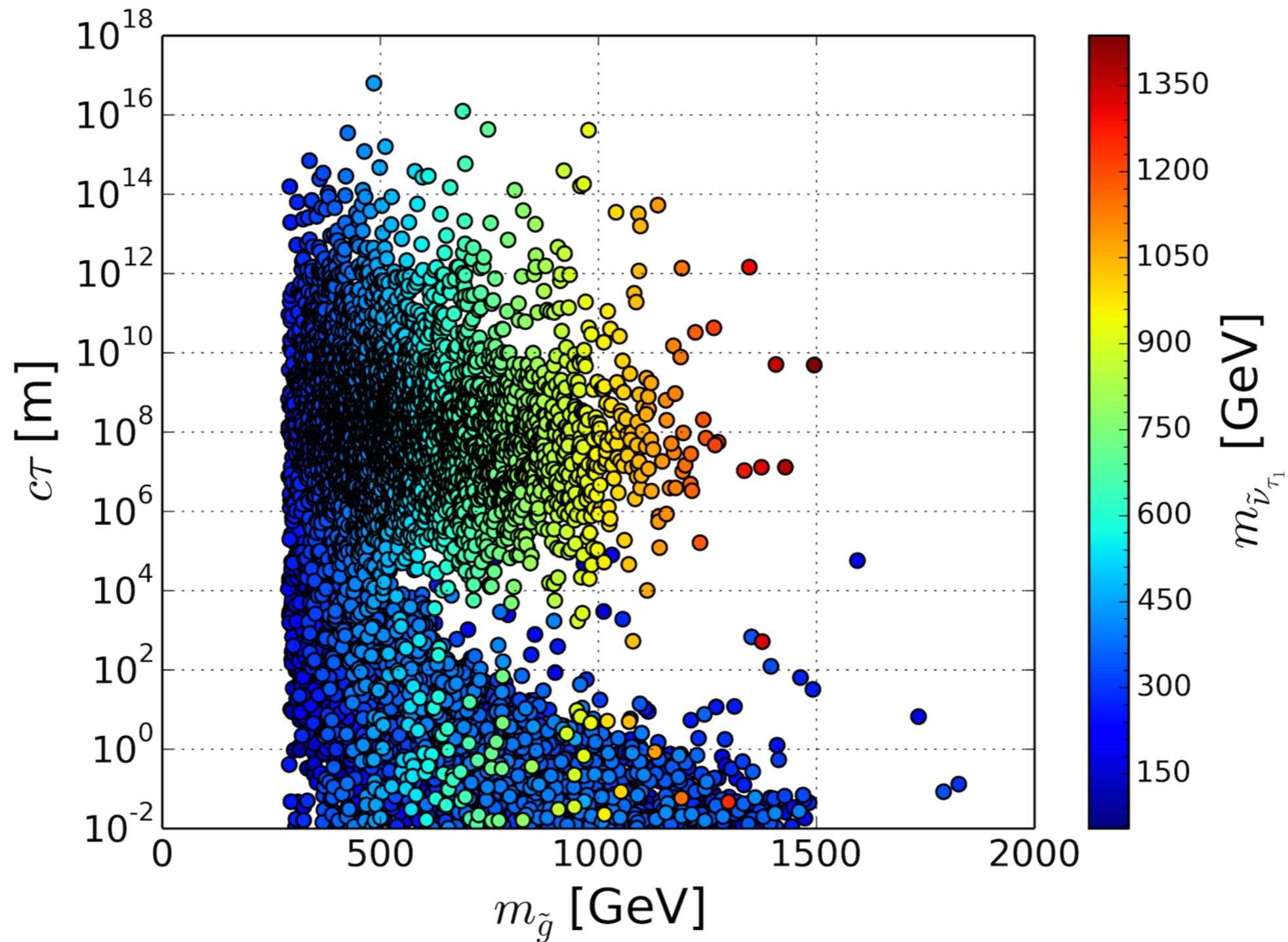
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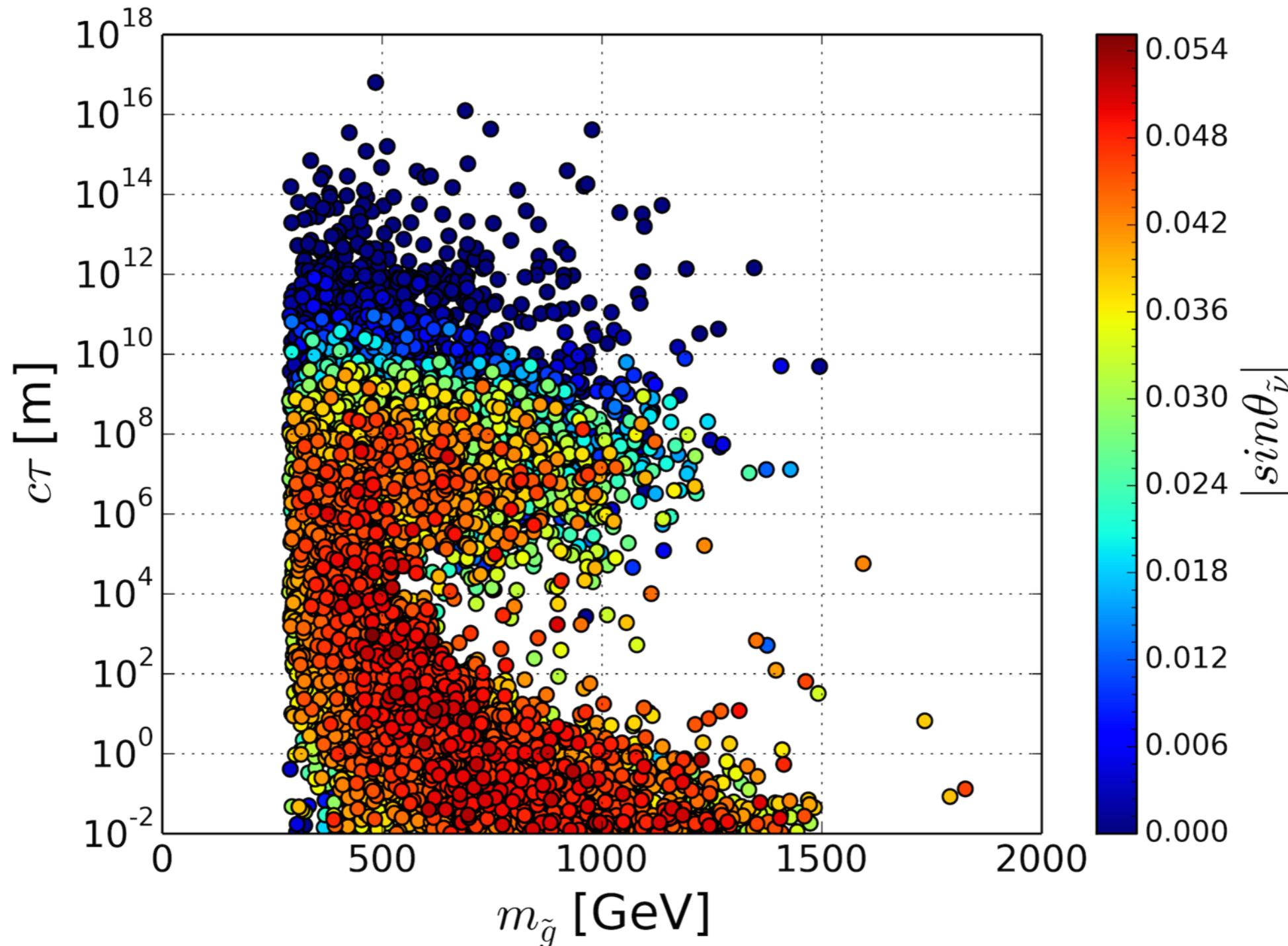
# Dependence on the mixing angle



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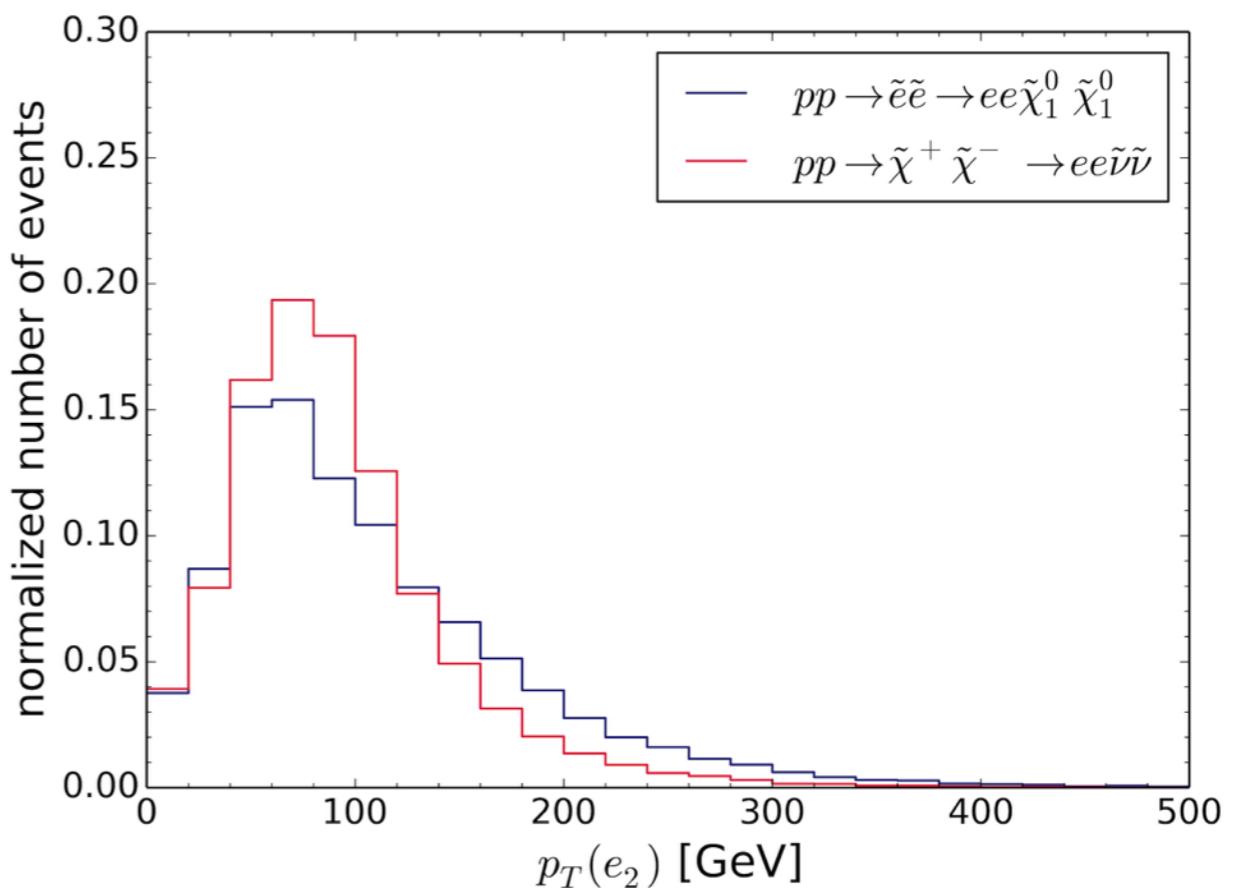
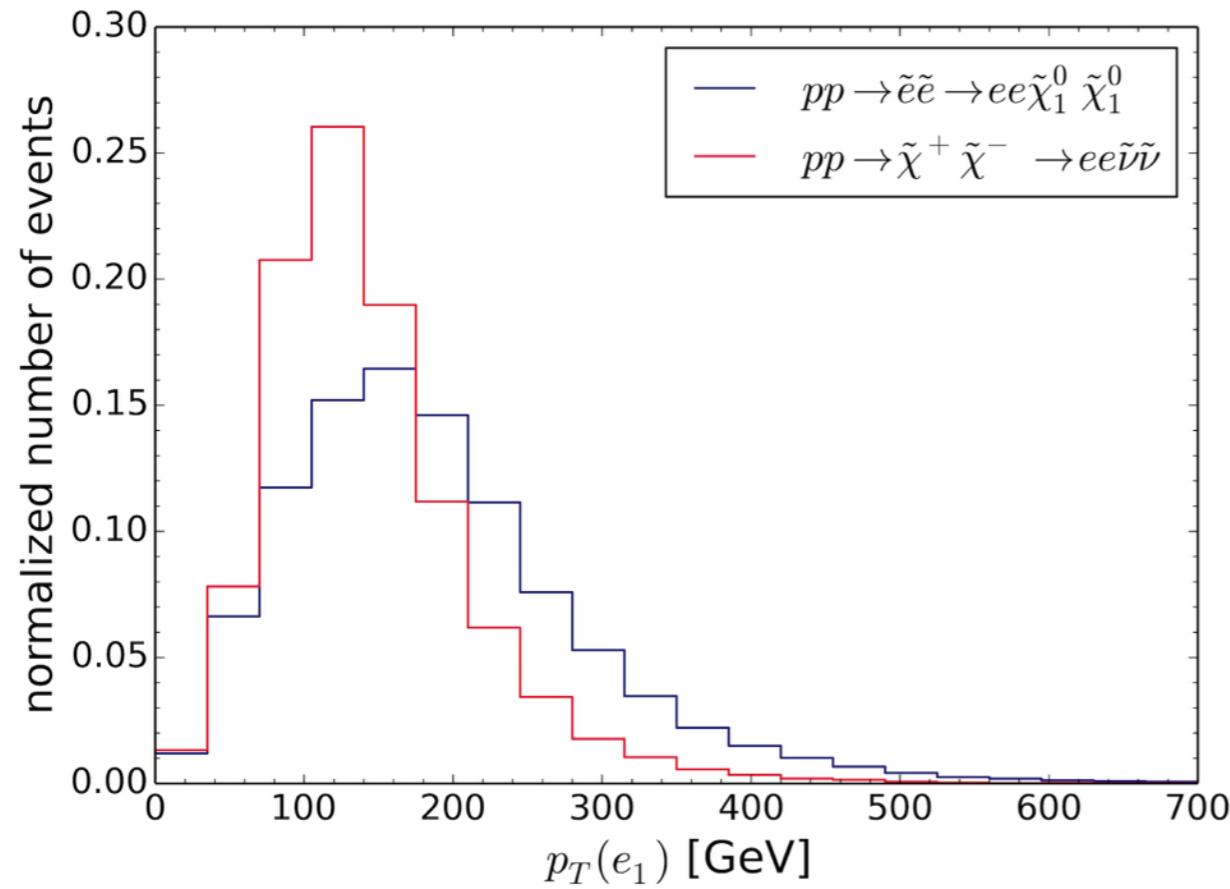


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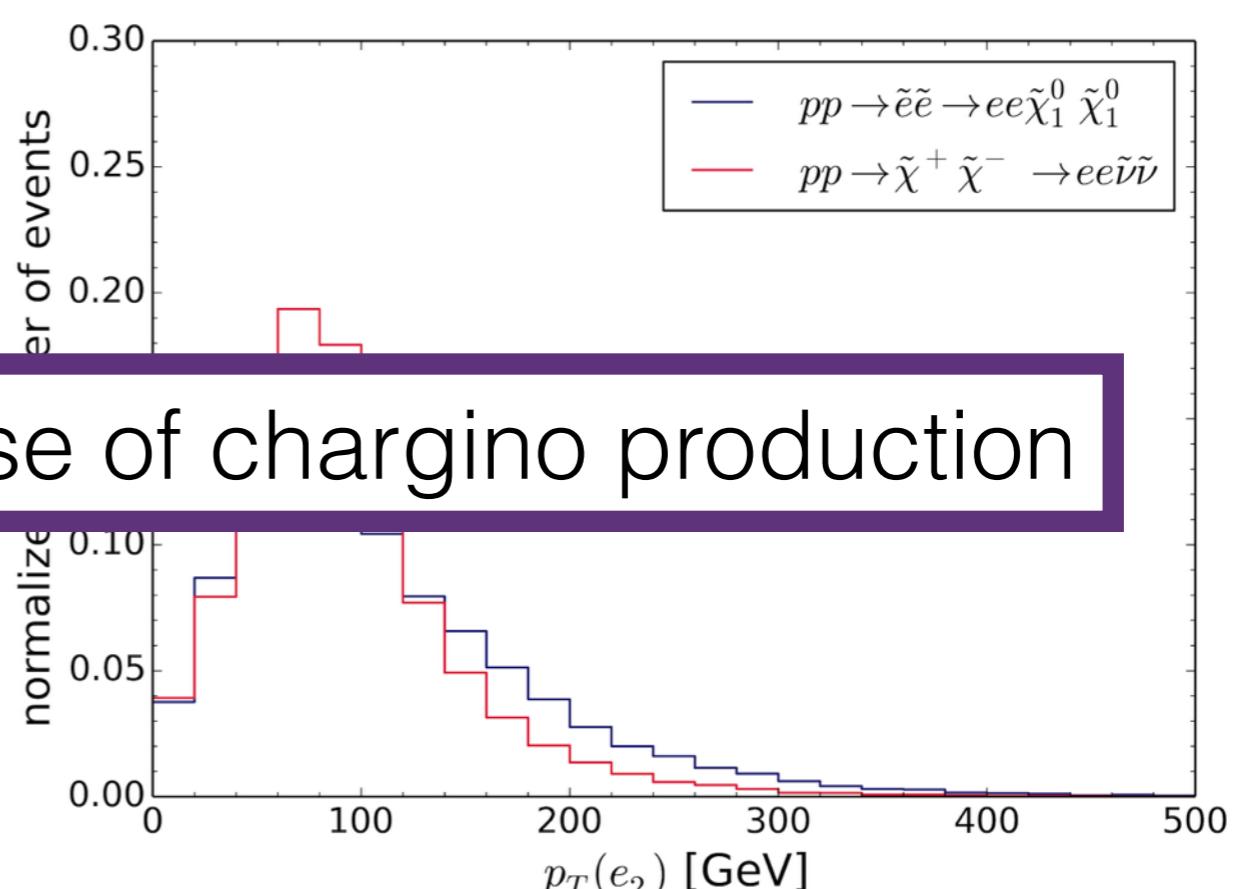
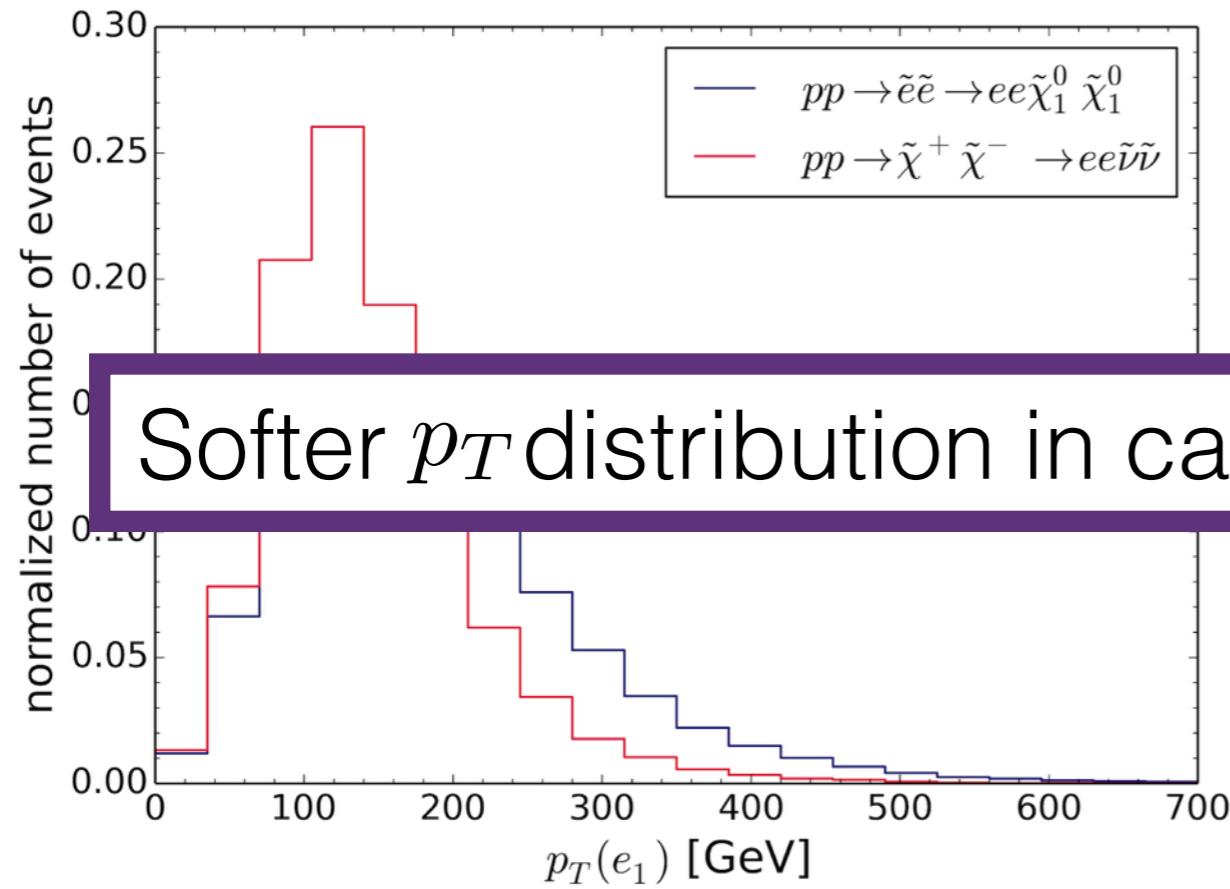


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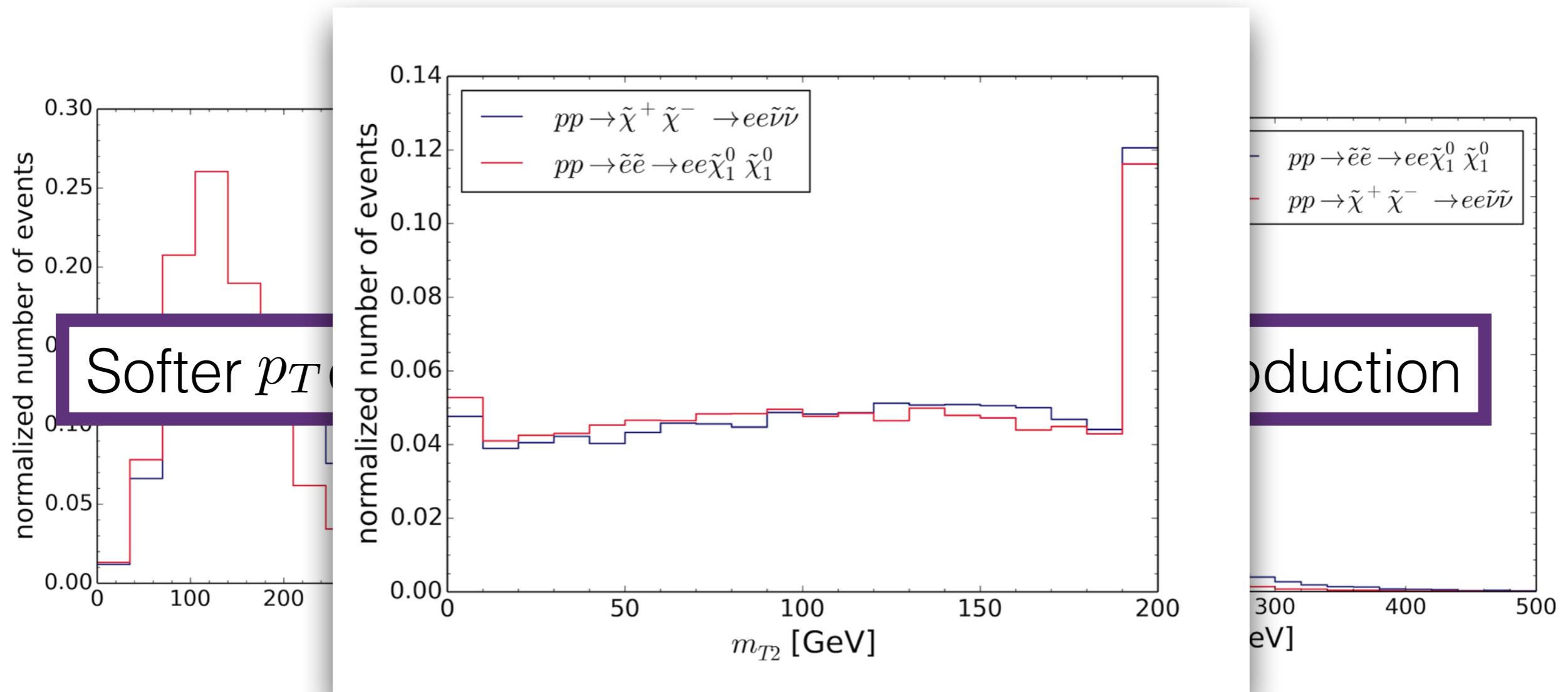
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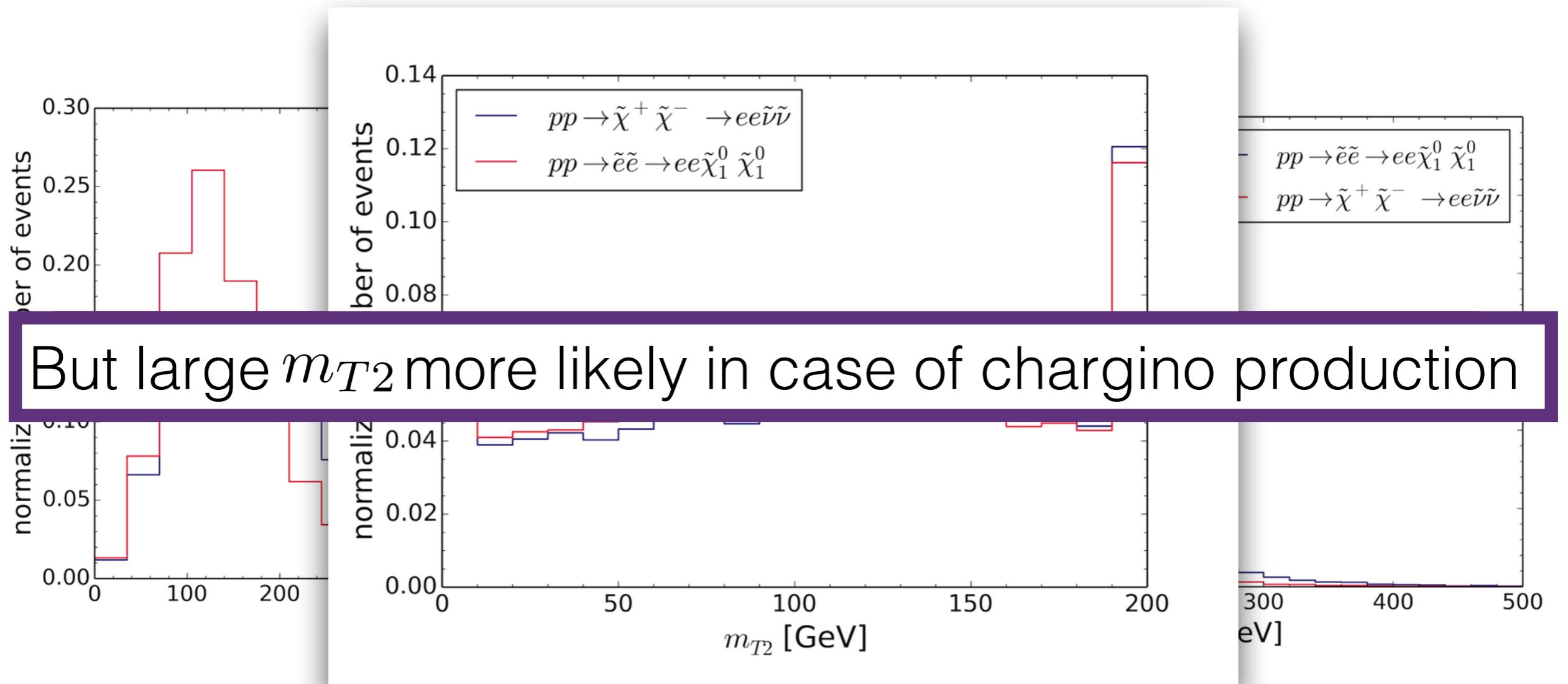


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# Cutflow shows that final efficiencies are comparable

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Common preselection		
Initial number of events	50000	50000
2 OS leptons	35133	33464
$m_{ll} > 20$ GeV	35038	33337
$\tau$ veto	35007	33318
$ee$ leptons	35007	33318
jet veto	20176	19942
$Z$ veto	19380	18984
Different $m_{T2}$ regions		
$m_{T2} > 90$ GeV	11346	11594
$m_{T2} > 120$ GeV	8520	8828
$m_{T2} > 150$ GeV	5723	5926



We can safely use the results  
to constrain chargino production

# Cutflow comparison for $m_{mother} = 270 \text{ GeV}, m_{LSP} = 200 \text{ GeV}$

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$m_{ll} > 20 \text{ GeV}$	29082	26964
$\tau$ veto	29050	26956
$ee$ leptons	29050	26956
jet veto	16834	16114
$Z$ veto	15281	14025
Different $m_{T2}$ regions		
$m_{T2} > 90 \text{ GeV}$	3028	3198
$m_{T2} > 120 \text{ GeV}$	85	140
$m_{T2} > 150 \text{ GeV}$	0	0