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SMODELS v3

Going Beyond Z_2 Topologies

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- ▶ Physics application
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Introduction



Introduction

- ▶ Searches for New Physics (**NP**) at the **LHC**:
 - ▶ **Channel-by-channel** in specific final states **Only portion of the data**
 - ▶ Chosen set of **Simplified Models (SMS)** is tested **Few of many new ideas**
- ▶ Phenomenologists' response:
 - ▶ **Combine** data from multiple analyses for more robust constraints
 - ▶ **Reinterpret** experimental results to explore a broader spectrum of theories

Introduction

- ▶ The **reuse** of experimental information is usually done in **2** ways:
 - ▶ **Recasting** of experimental analysis
 - ▶ Monte Carlo (**MC**) simulations are needed
 - ▶ **Reuse of simplified model results**
 - ▶ Upper limit (**UL**) maps and Efficiency Maps (**EM**) are needed

CheckMATE 2, Rivet & Contur
MadAnalysis 5, ADL, ColliderBit,
SimpleAnalysis

SModels : public tool for fast reinterpretation of **LHC** searches using
simplified model results

This Talk



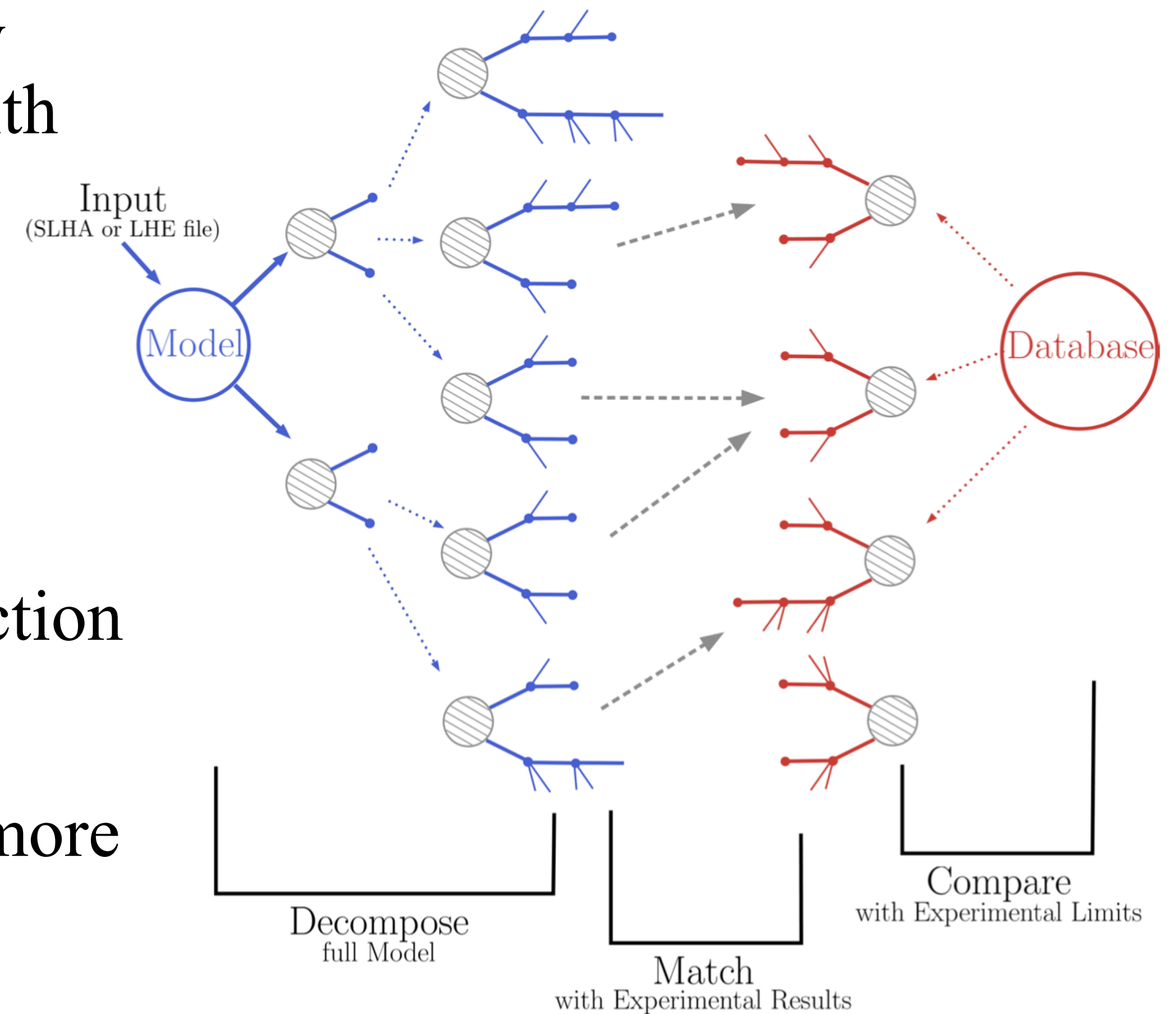
SModels

the concept



SModels working principle

- ▶ Decomposes the signatures of full **BSM** scenarios (particle content, masses, cross-sections, decay widths) into **simplified model components** with signal weights
- ▶ Confronts these components against the **experimental constraints** of the **SModels** database
- ▶ Outputs presented as **r-values** (signal cross-section ratio to its upper limit)
- ▶ Also supports **global likelihood analyses** for more detailed statistical interpretations



Pros & cons of SModels

▶ Advantages:

- ▶ High speed (no MC simulation needed) and ease of use
- ▶ Suitable for model explorations and large parameter scans
- ▶ Easy classification of unconstrained cross section (**missing topologies**)

▶ Disadvantages:

- ▶ Kinematic distributions of the **signal** and **simplified model** should be similar enough
- ▶ Limited to the **SMS** available in the database; larger database is needed for broader applicability
- ▶ Recasting may offer **higher precision**, though at a **higher computational cost**

Experimental results used in SModels

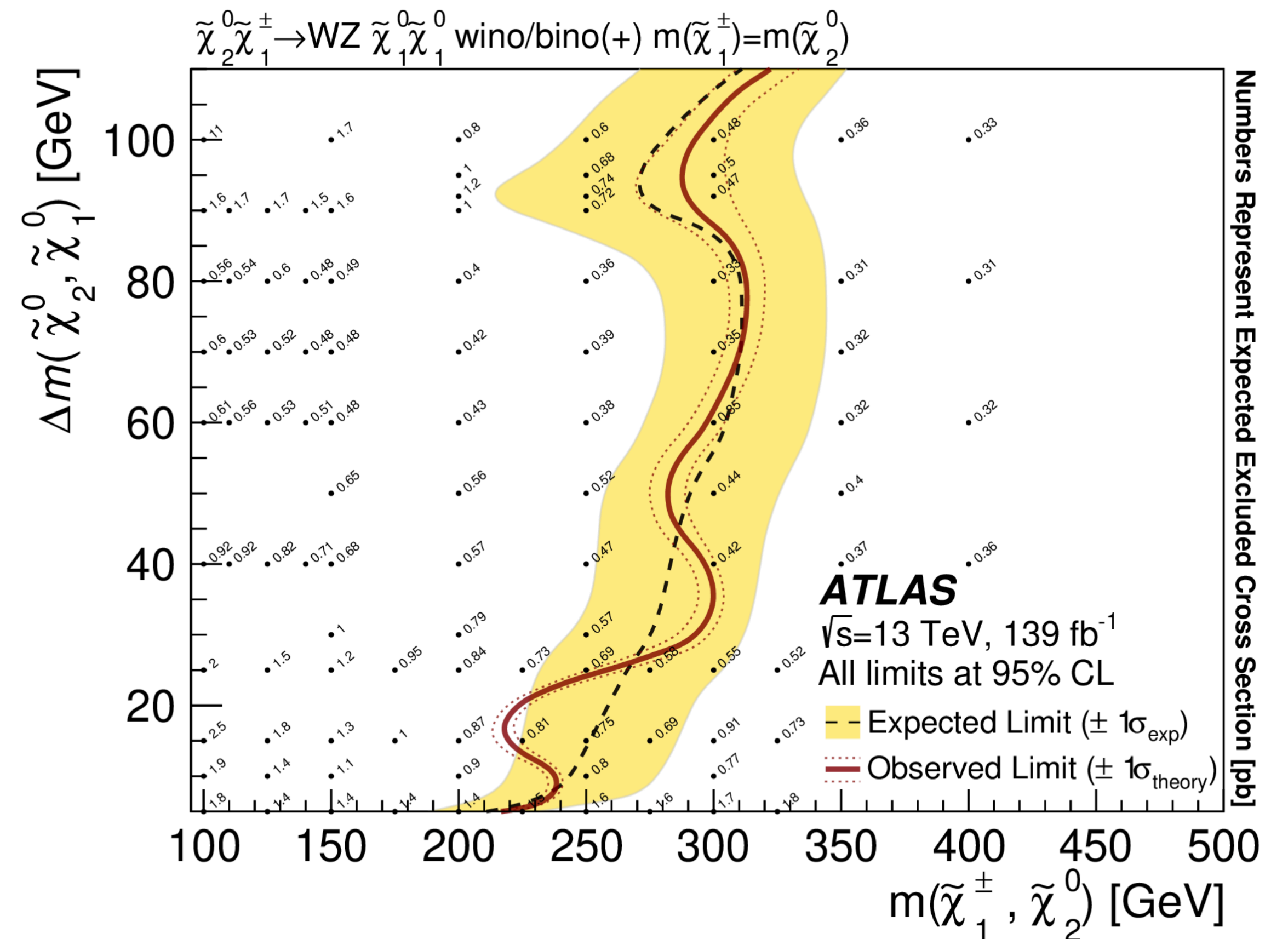
▶ Upper limit Type:

▶ 95 % CL upper limits on the signal cross section (σ_{95}) as function of the simplified model parameters

$$r = [\sigma \times BR \times BR] / \sigma_{95}$$

▶ Excluded if $r \geq 1$

▶ Binary decision: excluded or not



Experimental results used in SModels

► Efficiency maps Type:

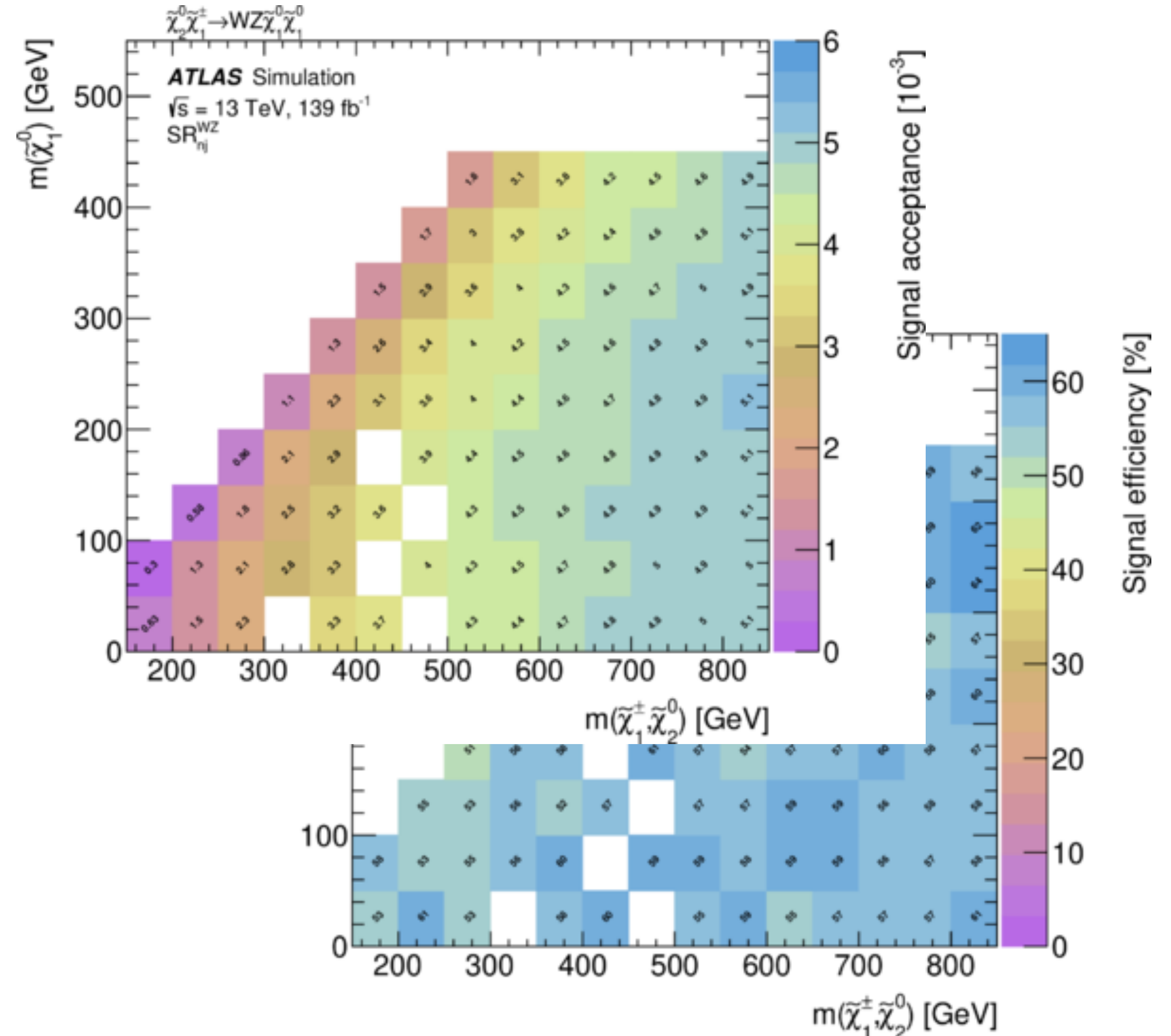
► Acceptance (A) & Efficiency (ϵ) of each Signal Region (**SR**) as function of the simplified model parameters

► **Different contributions** to the same **SR** can be added:

$$n_{sig} = A\epsilon \sum [\sigma \times BR \times BR] \times \mathcal{L}$$

► Given expected & observed number of events, the signal likelihood can be computed

► Sophisticated statistical evaluations (likelihood ratio tests, CLs, ...)



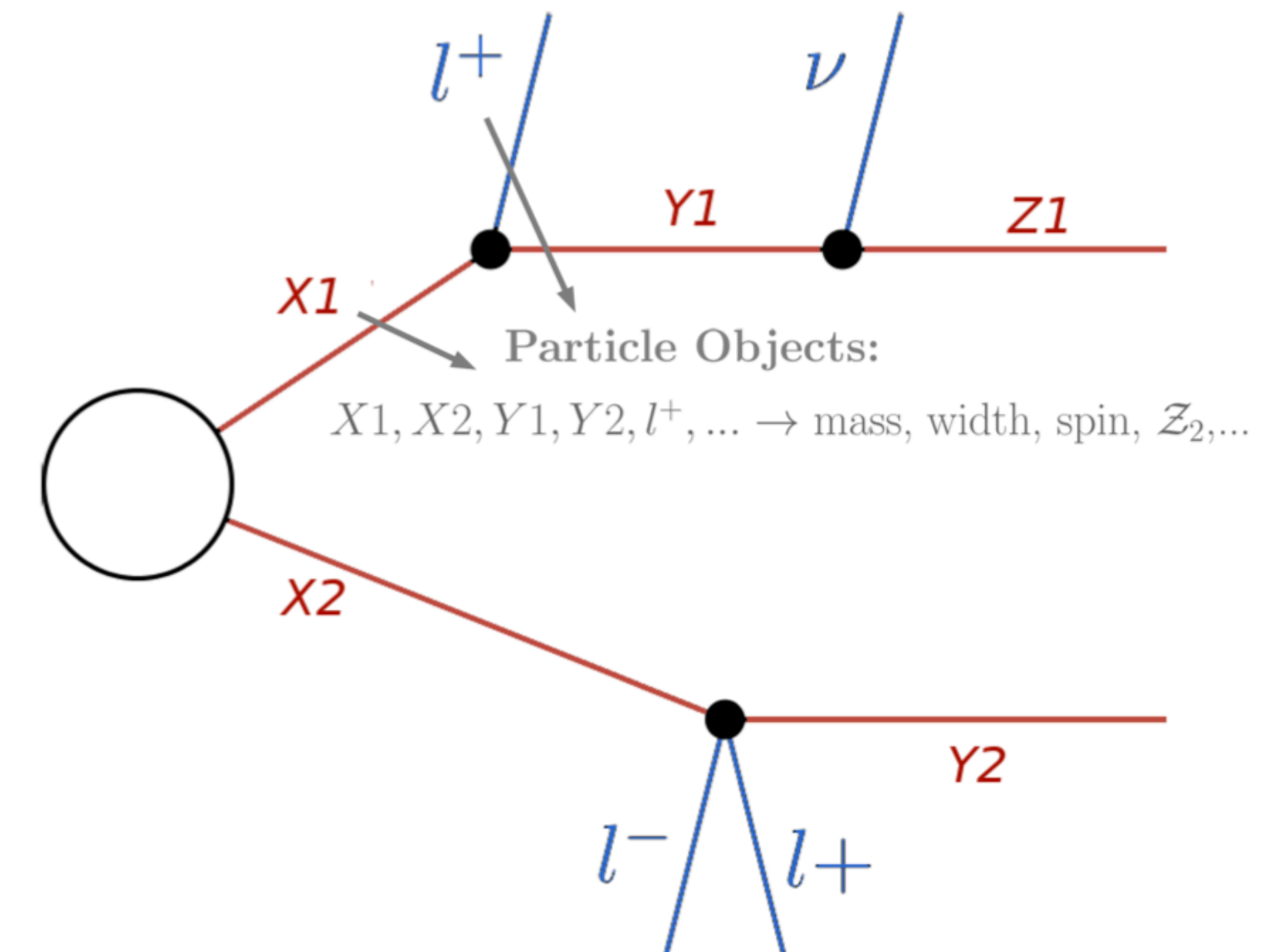
Combination of likelihoods

- ▶ Combination of **SR**:
 - ▶ Requires correlation info; without it, only the most sensitive **SR** can be used
 - ▶ **CMS**: covariance matrix, **ATLAS**: HistFactory model encoded in a json file
- ▶ Combination of **analyses**:
 - ▶ Assumes that those **analyses** are approximately uncorrelated
 - ▶ Combined likelihood is the product of the individual likelihoods from each analysis

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SModels: pre-version 3

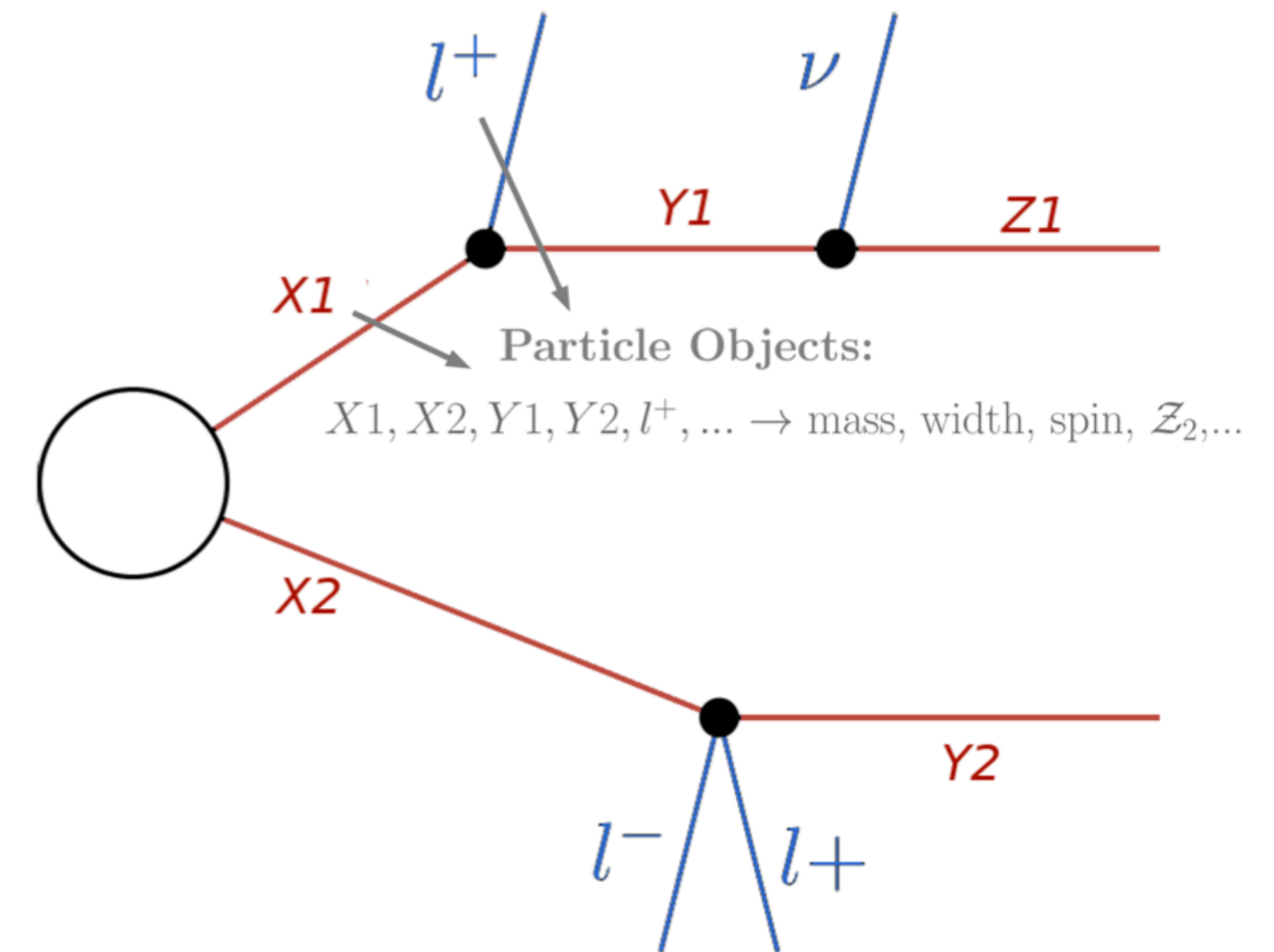
- ▶ Z_2 symmetry in **BSM** models:
 - ▶ Discrete symmetry distinguishing **SM** and **BSM** particles
 - ▶ Enforces **pair production** of **BSM** particles
- ▶ **Two-branch** Structure:
 - ▶ **Pair production** of **BSM** particles
 - ▶ Each **BSM** particle undergoes **cascade decays**, producing **SM** particles and terminating with the **LSP**



[[X₁, Y₁, Z₁], [X₂, Y₂]]

SModels: pre-version 3

- ▶ **Limitations of the two-branch structure:**
 - ▶ Can't deal with **BSM** scenarios without new parity conservation (non- Z_2 models):
 - ▶ Resonant (s-channel) production
 - ▶ Associated production **BSM** plus **SM** particles
 - ▶ Final states consisting of only **SM** particles



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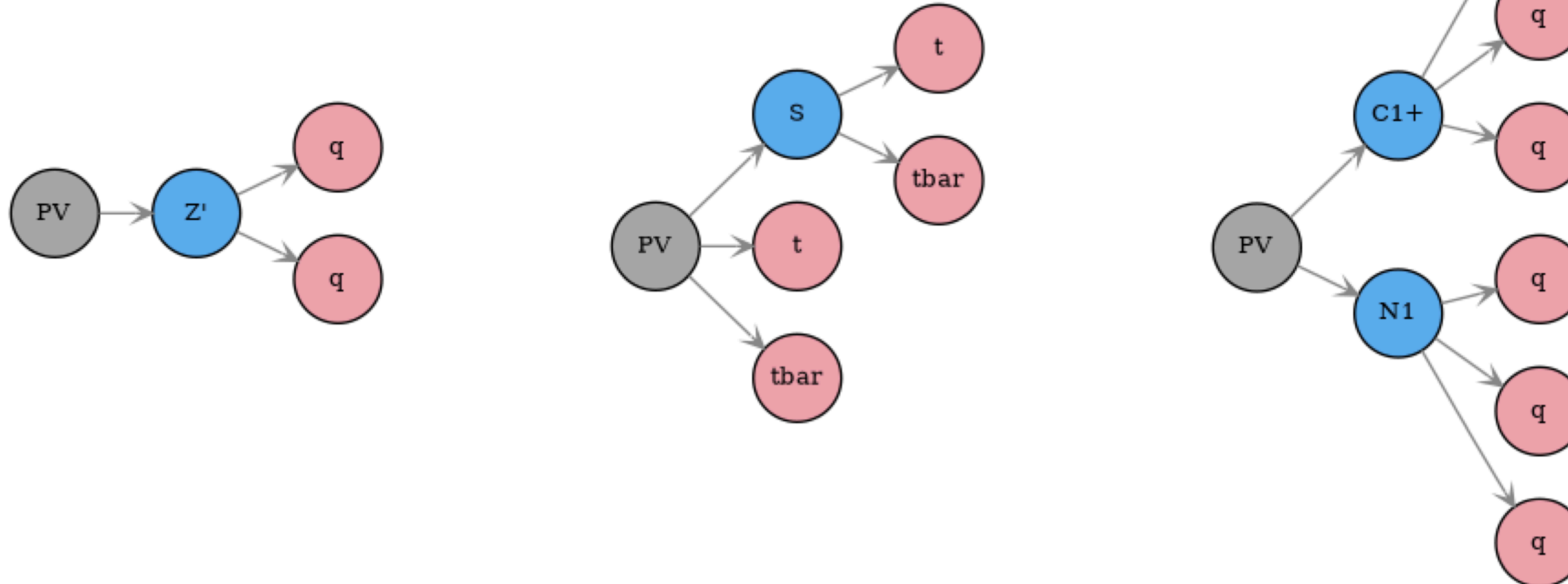
SModelS

version 3



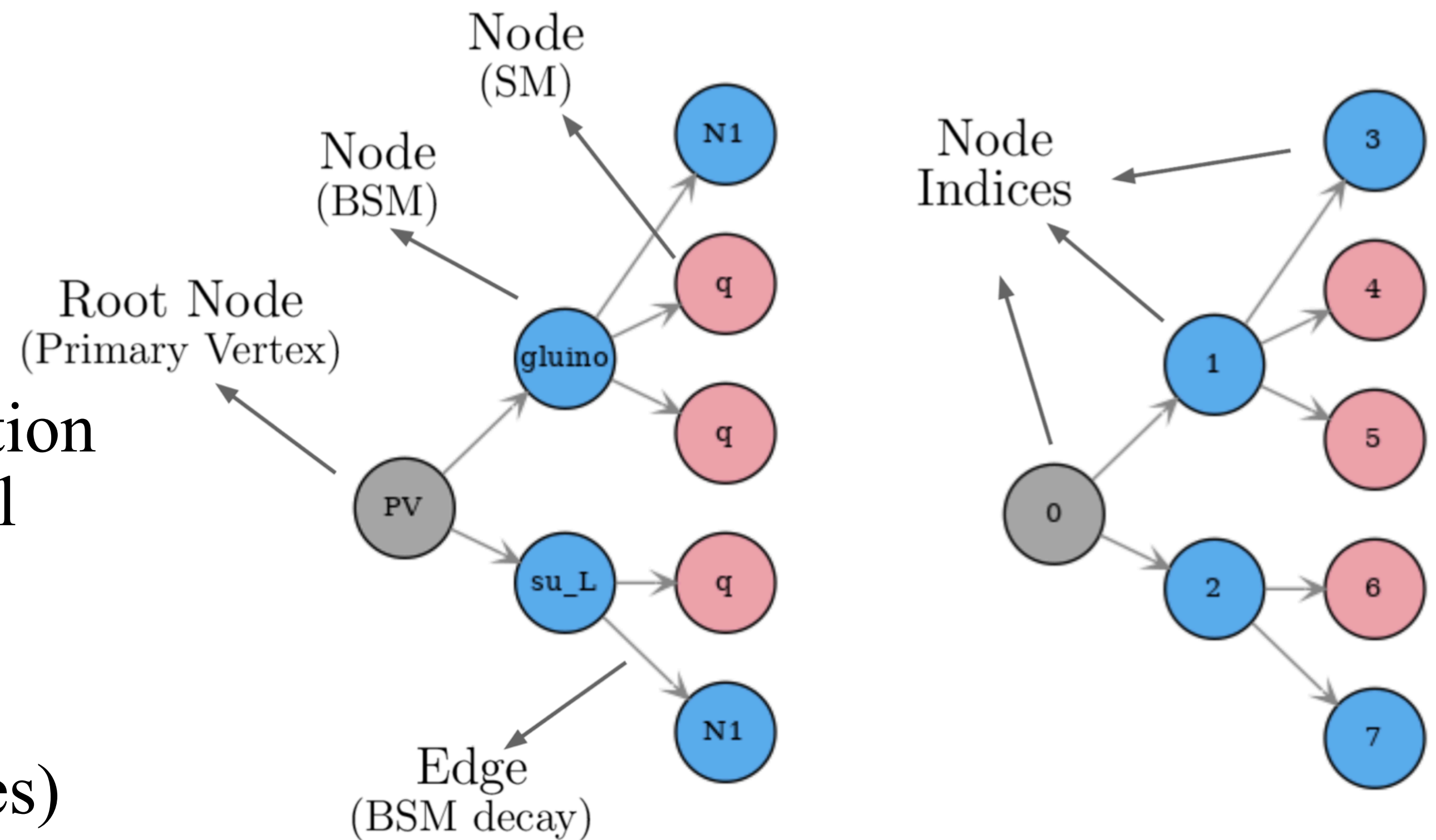
SModels: version 3

- ▶ **SModels** is fully restructured; now relies on a **graph-based** description of simplified model topologies
- ▶ No need of an imposed Z_2 symmetry
- ▶ Can handle **arbitrary** simplified model topologies



Graph-based topologies

- ▶ **Root node:** hard scattering (pp to produced particles)
- ▶ **Node:** particle appearing in the **SMS** topology
- ▶ **Node indices:** hold required information (Quantum Numbers (**QN**), mass, total width)
- ▶ Decays of **SM** particles not specified within the **graph** (given by **SM** values)
- ▶ A **graph** holds global info (the **SMS** weight)



SMS matching

- ▶ **Matching process:**

- ▶ Compare **SMS** topologies of the **input model** against those in the **SModelS database**.

- ▶ **Criteria for matching topologies:**

- ▶ Same structure

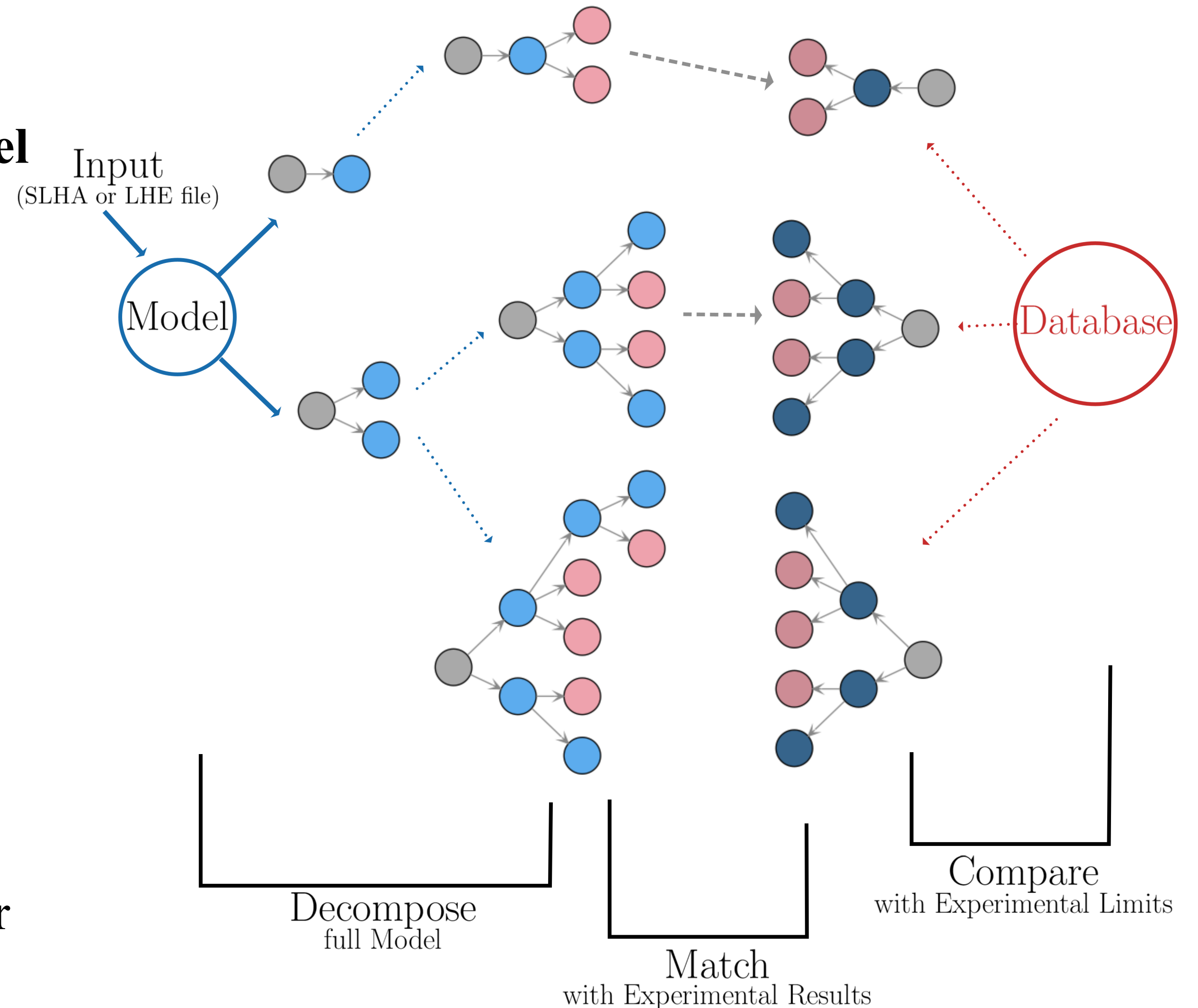
- ▶ Same particle properties

- ▶ **Node matching:**

- ▶ Canonical names are equal

- ▶ Particle attributes match

- ▶ daughter nodes match, regardless of order





Physics application



Two-Mediator Dark Matter (2MDM) model

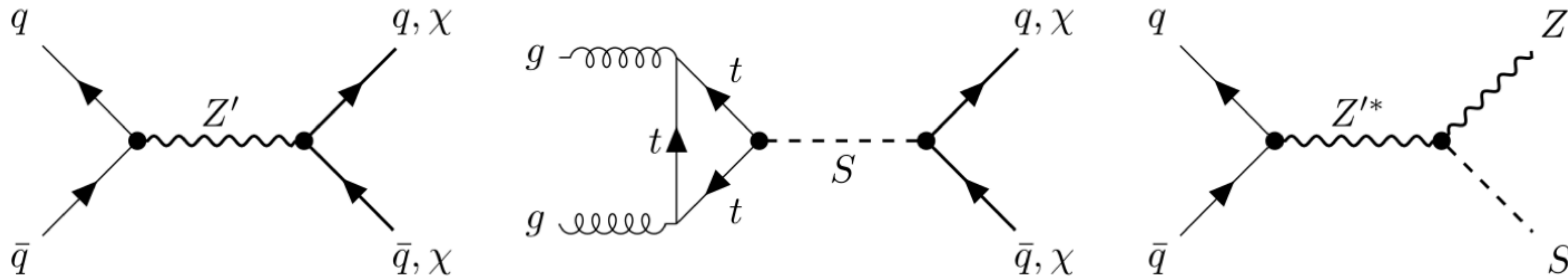
- ▶ Extends the SM gauge group with an additional $U(1)'$ symmetry
- ▶ New $U(1)'$ implies a new gauge boson (Z')
- ▶ A scalar field (ϕ) and a Majorana fermion (χ) are introduced
- ▶ Only the **SM** quarks are charged under $U(1)'$; their charges are universal

ψ	q_L	u_R	d_R	l_L	l_R	H	ϕ	χ
$U(1)'$	q_q	q_q	q_q	0	0	0	q_ϕ	q_χ

← Charges

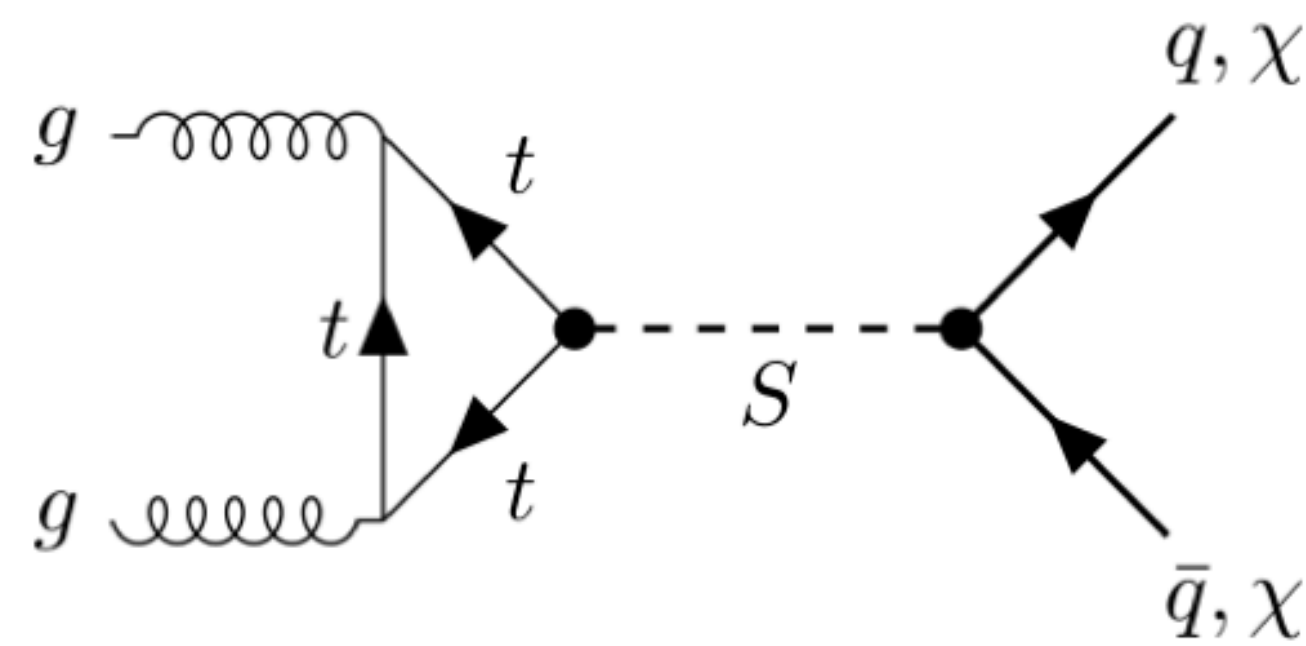
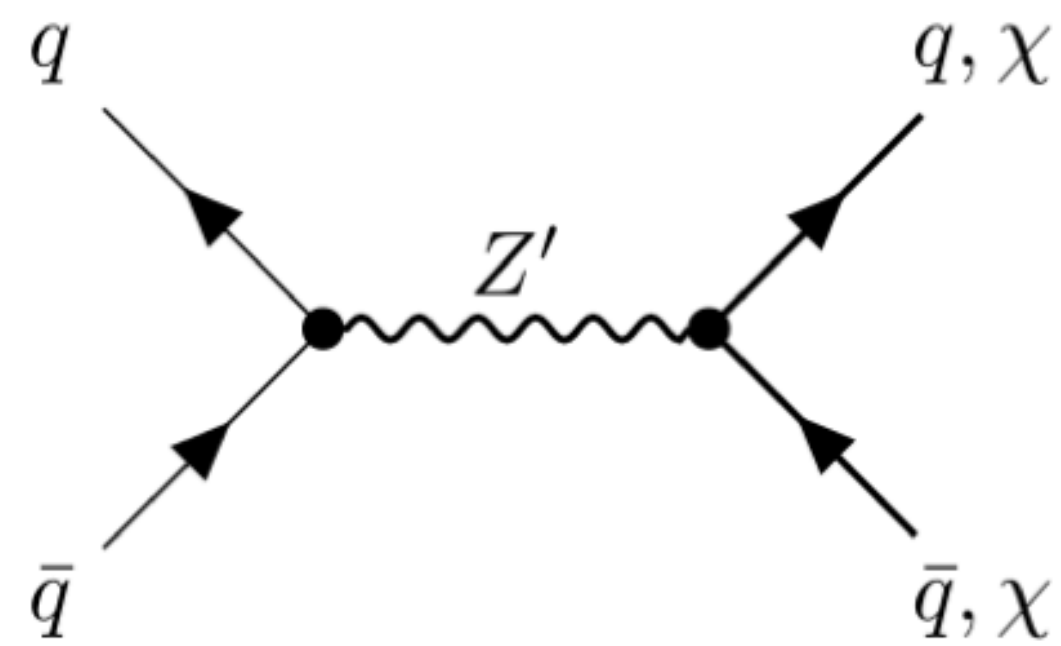
- ▶ The 3 **BSM** mass eigenstates are: Z' , S and χ
- ▶ The independent model parameters are: $m_{Z'}$, m_S , m_χ , $g_\chi \equiv g_{Z'}q_\chi$, $g_q \equiv g_{Z'}q_q$ and $\sin \alpha$
 - ▶ $g_{Z'}$: gauge coupling of $U(1)'$, α : mixing angle between **SM** h and S

LHC signals



- ▶ The associated $Z' S$ production is always subdominant to the on-shell (s-channel) production of Z' ; **we don't take it into account**

LHC signals



Process	Cross-Section
$pp \rightarrow Z' \rightarrow q\bar{q}$	$\sigma \propto g_q^4$
$pp \rightarrow Z' \rightarrow \chi\chi$	$\sigma \propto g_q^2 g_\chi^2$
$pp \rightarrow S \rightarrow q\bar{q}$	$\sigma \propto y_t^2 y_q^2 \sin^4 \alpha$
$pp \rightarrow S \rightarrow \chi\chi$	$\sigma \propto y_t^2 y_\chi^2 \sin^2 2\alpha$

$y_\chi = 2\sqrt{2} g_{Z'} q_\chi \frac{m_\chi}{m_{Z'}}$

- ▶ The associated $Z' S$ production is always subdominant to the on-shell (s-channel) production of Z' ; **we don't take it into account**
- ▶ The relative importance of the di-quark and E_T^{miss} depends on:
 - ▶ g_q/g_χ for the Z' mediator
 - ▶ y_q/y_χ for the S mediator
- ▶ The S production is suppressed for a small value of α and by a loop factor; **we don't take it into account**

New results in the database

- The signal can be probed by di-quark (dijet, bb , tt) resonance searches & searches for E_T^{miss} + jets:

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CMS-EXO-20-004 [16]	Monojet	137 fb ⁻¹	$pp \rightarrow Z', S \rightarrow \chi\chi$	EM
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E_T^{miss} + jets searches

Recasted

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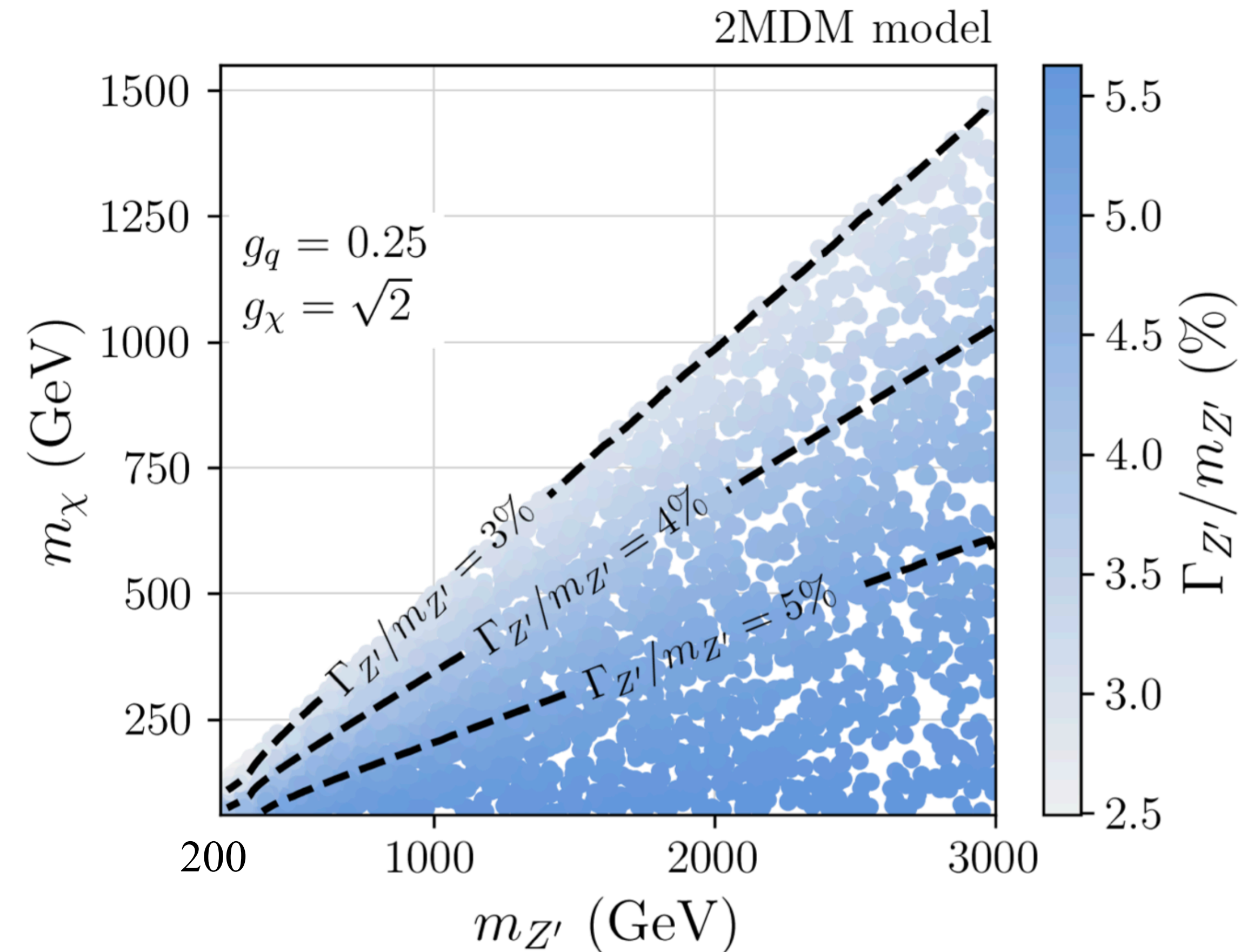
Parameter scan

▶ **SLHA** format as input for **SModelS**:

▶ **LO** cross-section for Z' production with **Madgraph**

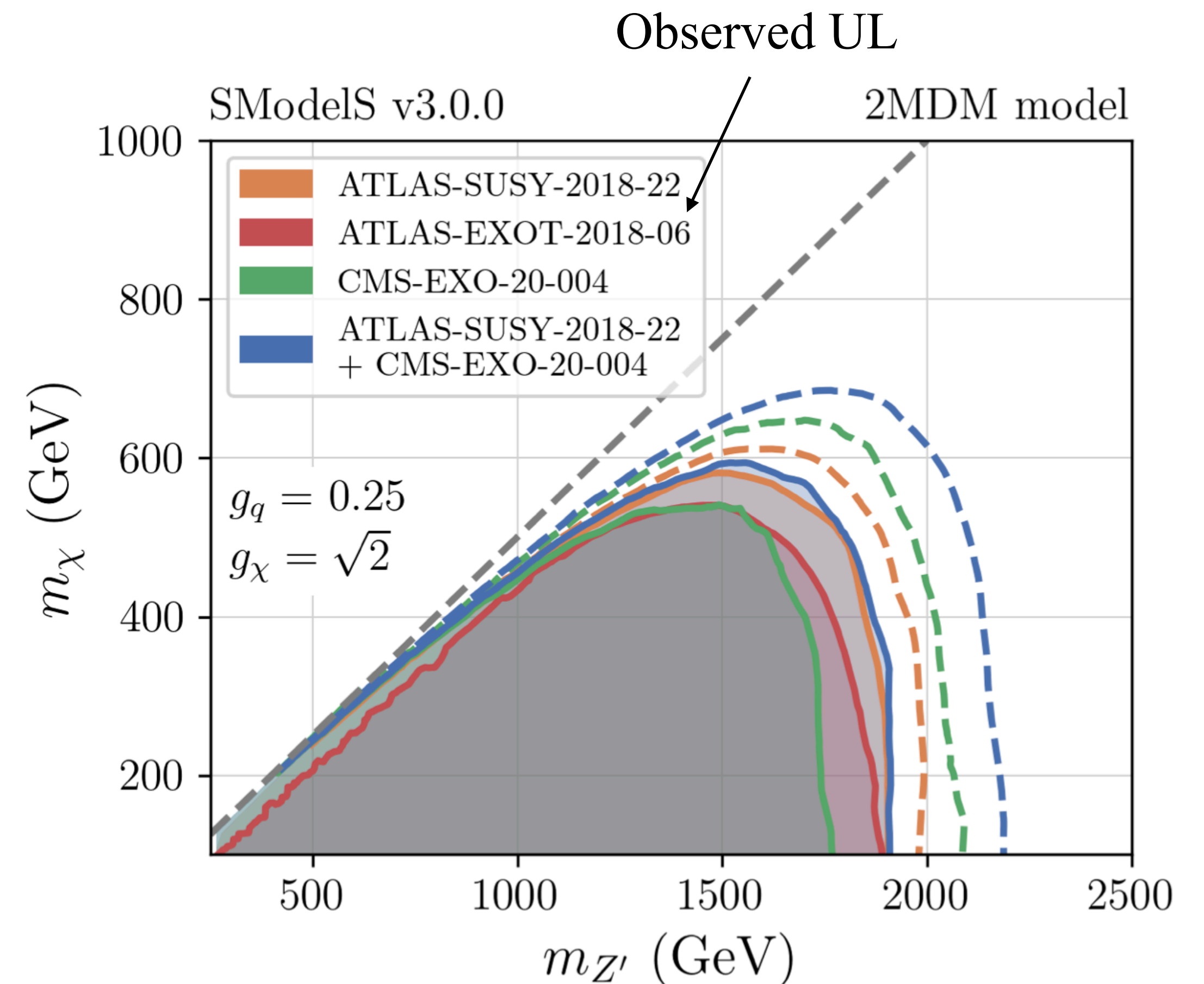
$$\Gamma_{(Z' \rightarrow q\bar{q})} = \frac{g_q^2 m_{Z'}}{4\pi} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_q^2}{m_{Z'}^2}} \left(1 + \frac{2m_q^2}{m_{Z'}^2} \right)$$

$$\Gamma_{(Z' \rightarrow \chi\chi)} = \frac{g_\chi^2 m_{Z'}}{24\pi} \left(1 - \frac{4m_\chi^2}{m_{Z'}^2} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$$



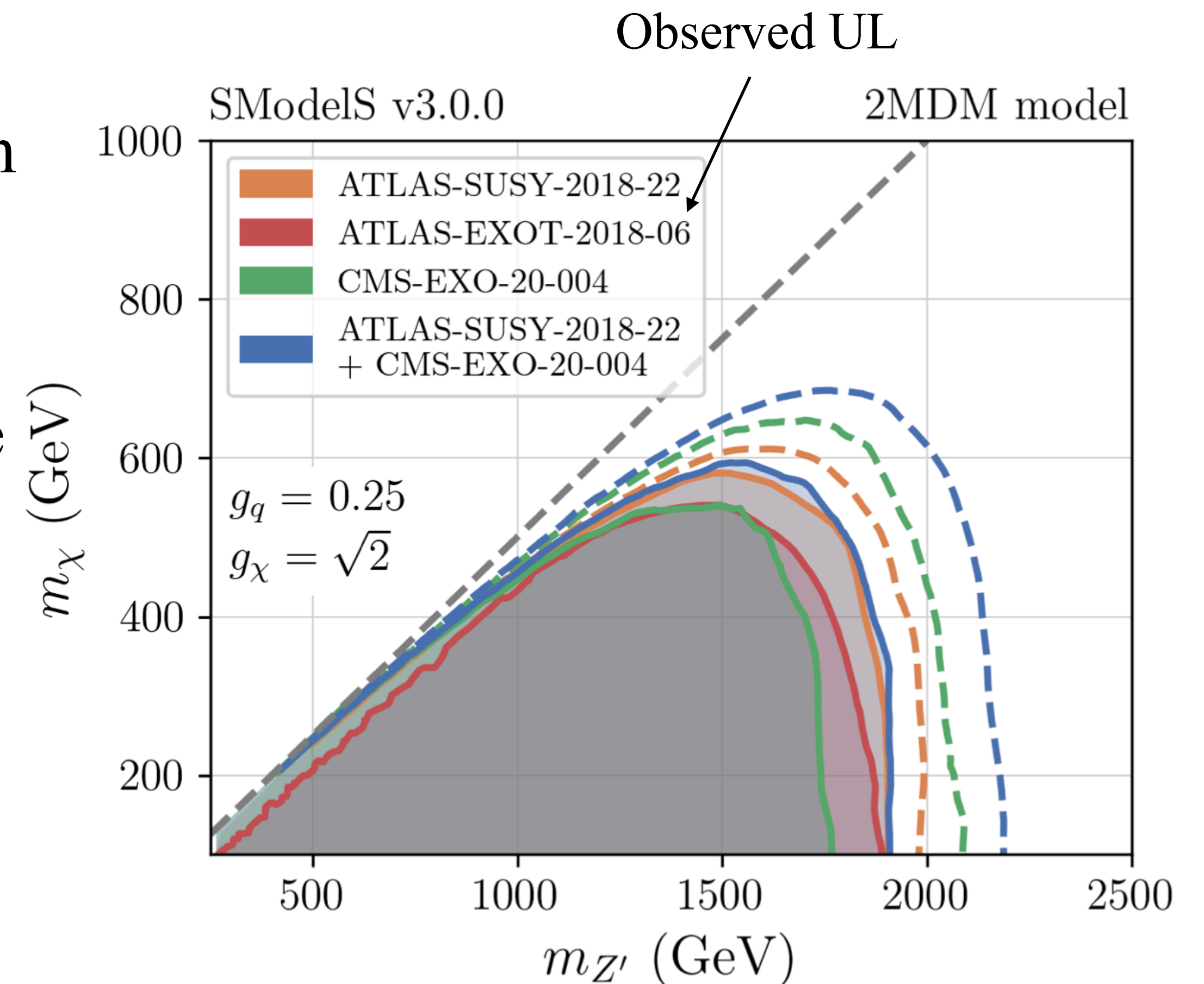
Constraints from jets + MET searches

- ▶ Observed & expected exclusions:
 - ▶ Observed weaker than expected for ATLAS multijet & CMS; data > SM background
 - ▶ CMS: highest sensitivity (strongest expected limit) & weaker observed limit; largest over-fluctuations
 - ▶ $\text{BR}(Z' \rightarrow \chi\chi)$ decreases with increasing m_χ ; loss of sensitivity close to $m_{Z'} = 2m_\chi$

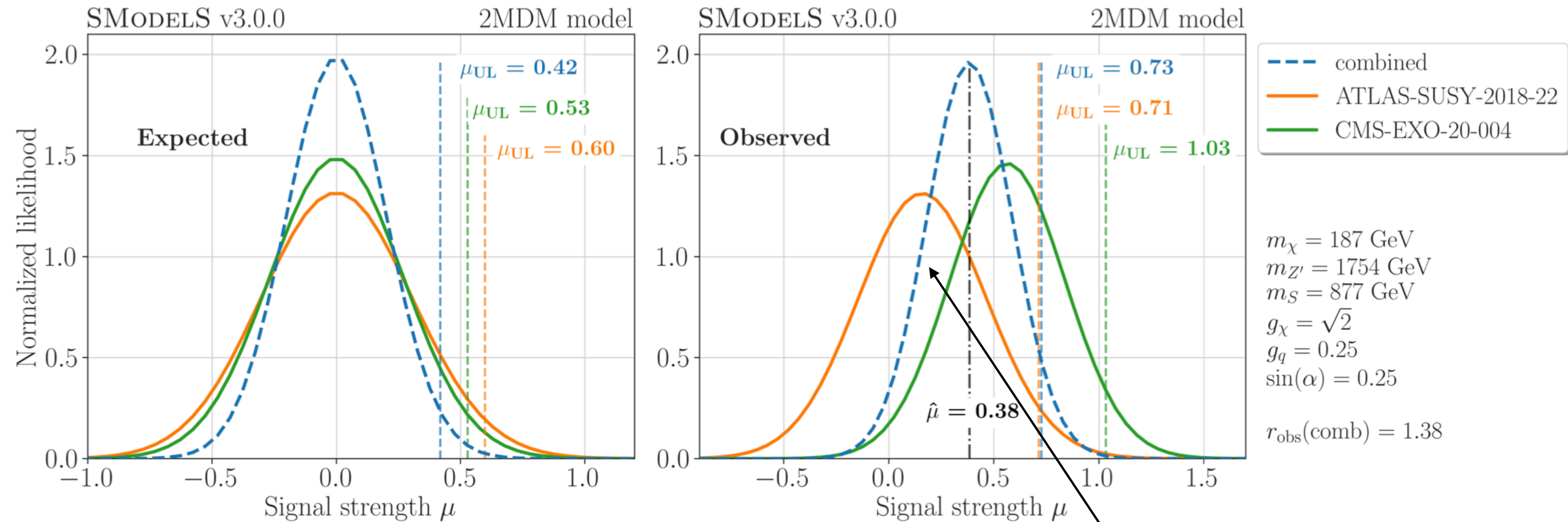


Constraints from jets + MET searches

- ▶ Observed & expected exclusions (combined):
 - ▶ The combination extends the expected reach by 100 – 200 GeV
 - ▶ The combination observed exclusion is almost the same as the ATLAS multijet case
 - ▶ A more robust limit is obtained



Constraints from jets + MET searches

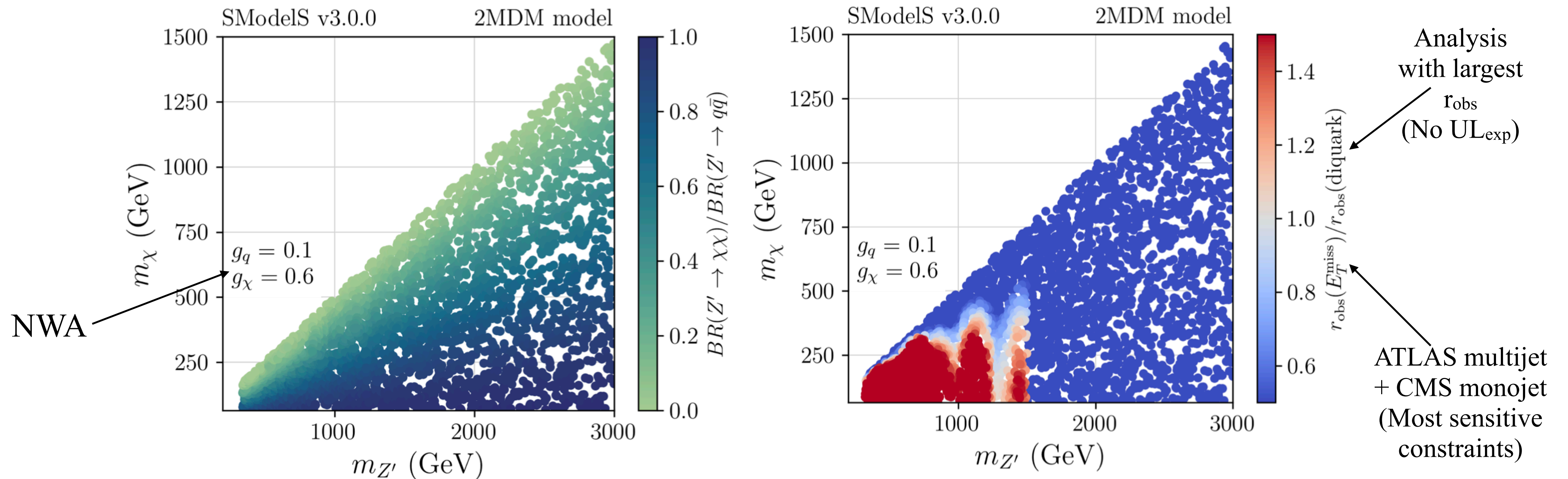


► Expected & observed likelihoods vs μ

► $r = 1 / \mu_{UL}$

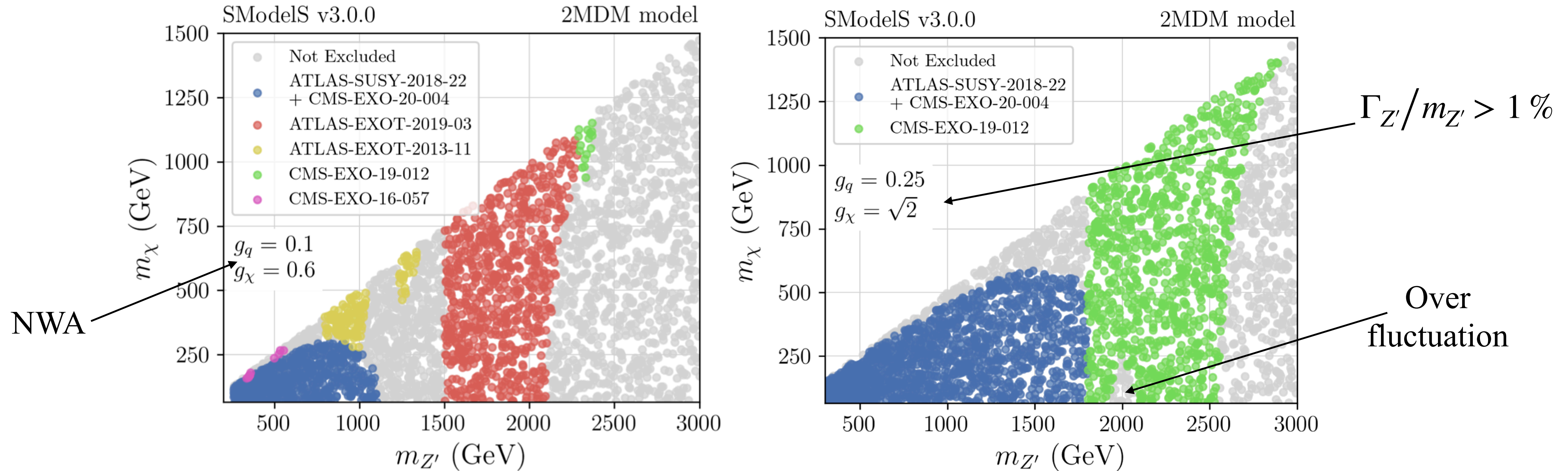
Smaller standard deviation

Resonance vs jets + MET searches



- ▶ $m_{Z'} < 1.2$ TeV: E_T^{miss} searches dominates (except for $m_\chi \sim m_{Z'}/2$; invisible decay Z' decay becomes kinematically suppressed)
- ▶ $m_{Z'} > 1.5$ TeV: di-quark resonance searches take over; ATLAS-EXOT-2019-03 has high constraining power in this region

Resonance vs jets + MET searches



- ▶ The colours indicate which is the most constraining analysis (largest r_{obs})
- ▶ Larger couplings, larger production cross-section: larger exclusion, larger width: no NWA
- ▶ For more accurate and statistically robust conclusions width dependent EM are needed



Conclusions



Conclusions

- ▶ **SModelS** is an easy-to-use **public** tool for **fast reinterpretation** of **LHC searches** on the basis of **simplified-model** results
- ▶ **Version 3** can now deal with topologies beyond the Z_2 symmetry
- ▶ More **EM** type results are needed in order to perform more sophisticated studies
- ▶ **Width-dependent** results are very important to reinterpret **resonance searches**
- ▶ All results from [arXiv:2409.12942](https://arxiv.org/abs/2409.12942) are available on [Zenodo](https://zenodo.org/)
- ▶ We thank ATLAS & CMS analyses teams for making their results accessible and reusable!



Backup

slides



Graphical & string representation of SMS in SModels

- ▶ **SModels** allows for an **interchangeable format** between graph and string representations
- ▶ **Graphical representation:**
 - ▶ Useful for visualising the **SMS** topologies
 - ▶ Provides an intuitive understanding of decay chains but may not be convenient for textual descriptions
- ▶ **String format representation:**
 - ▶ Uses a sequence of decay patterns: $X(i) \rightarrow A(j), B(k), C(l)$
 - ▶ **X**: **BSM** particle undergoing decay; **A, B, C**: decay products
 - ▶ Indices **i, j, k, l** denote node indices in the **SMS** graph, avoiding ambiguities

Graphical & string representation of SMS in SModels

▶ Concrete example:

▶ **Graphical SMS** example: PV to gluino(1), su_L(2)

▶ gluino(1) to N1(3), q(4), q(5)

▶ su_L(2) to q(6), N1(7)

▶ **Simplified string representation** in SModels output:

▶ (PV → gluino(1), su_L(2)), (gluino(1) → N1, q, q), (su_L(2) → q, N1)

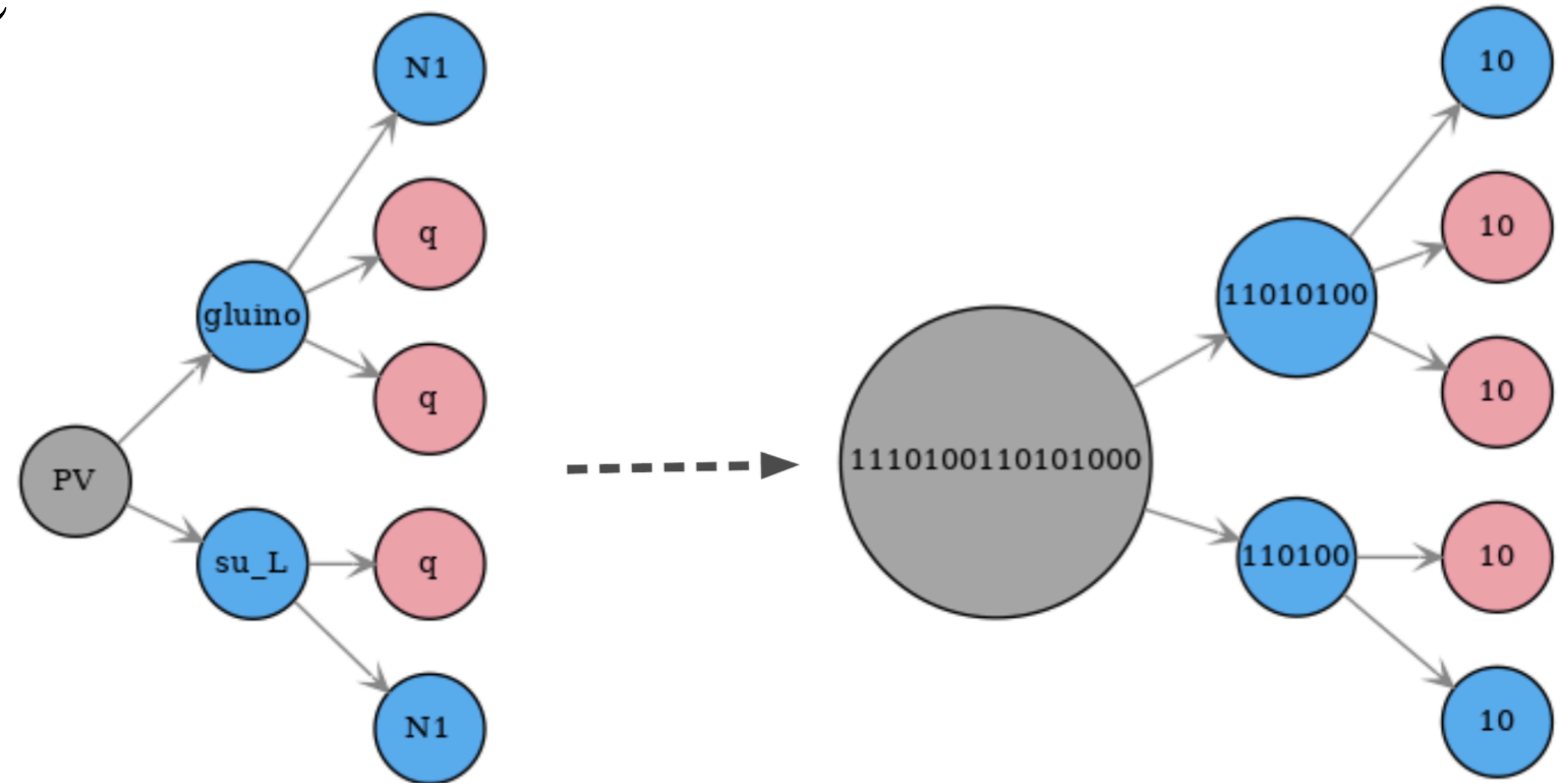
▶ Usage & Notation:

▶ **String format** is utilized for specifying SMS topologies constrained by experimental results in the SModels v3 database

▶ Particle names like "gluino" or "N1" are **generic placeholders** for BSM particles with appropriate quantum numbers, not necessarily tied to SUSY particles (`databaseParticles.py`)

Graph-based topologies: canonical name

- ▶ Describes the structure of the SMS topology without specifying its particle contents:
 - ▶ Each **undecayed (final node)** receives the label: 10
 - ▶ Each **decayed node** receives the label: $1 \langle \text{sorted labels of daughter nodes} \rangle 0$
 - ▶ The label associated with the **root node** uniquely describes the graph structure



SMS matching: an illustrative example

▶ Matching Steps:

▶ Compare root nodes:

- ▶ **Canonical names** match (no need to compare particle properties)

▶ Compare **daughter nodes** (unordered):

- ▶ Check if (gluino, N1) matches (MET, anyBSM) or (N1, gluino) matches (MET, anyBSM)

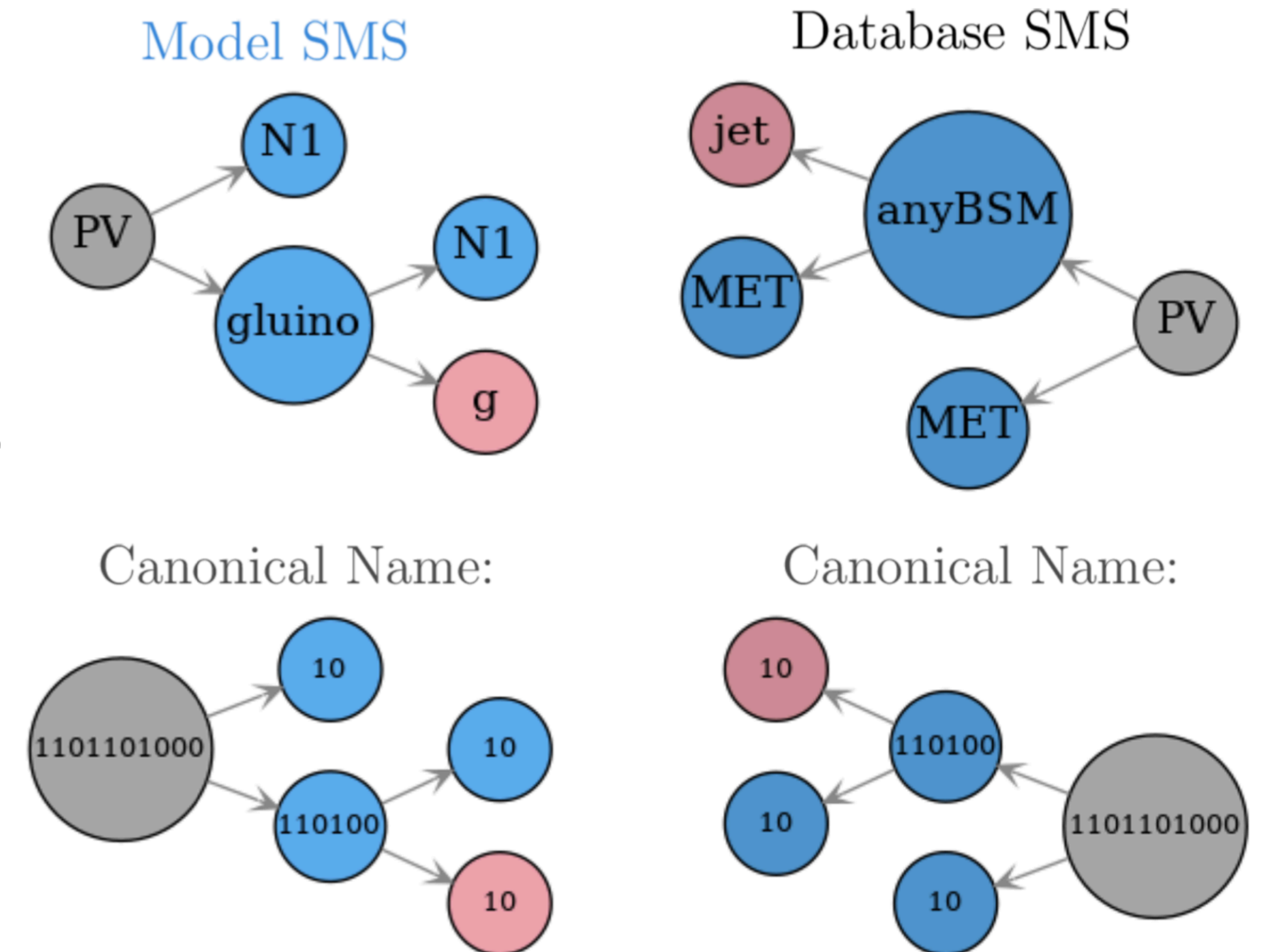
- ▶ Result: gluino \leftrightarrow anyBSM, N1 \leftrightarrow MET

▶ **Match daughters** of gluino and anyBSM:

- ▶ Compare (g, N1) with (jet, MET)

- ▶ Result: g \leftrightarrow jet, N1 \leftrightarrow MET

▶ **No more decays: stop, full match achieved**



Changes in input model and parameter card

- ▶ **Input model definition:**

- ▶ Defines **BSM** particles and their **QN**

- ▶ Can be specified using a **Python** module or an **SLHA** file

- ▶ **Z₂** parity **QN** (No longer required); ignored if included

- ▶ **BSM** particle definition (Python module example):

- ▶ New syntax for defining particles, e.g., for a **left-handed down squark** in **MSSM**:

```
sd1 = Particle(isSM=False, label='sd_L', pdg=1000001, eCharge=-1/3, colordim=3, spin=0)
```

Changes in input model and parameter card

- ▶ **Input model definition:**

- ▶ **SM particles:**

- ▶ Properties (masses, BRs) are fixed and cannot be modified via input

- ▶ **SM-like Higgs** assumed to have 125 GeV mass and **SM BRs**:

- ▶ Use **PDG Code 25** only for **SM Higgs**

- ▶ Assign different **PDG codes** for non-**SM-like** scalars

- ▶ **Reason:** Ensures correct matching with experimental results assuming **SM Higgs decays**

Changes in input model and parameter card

- ▶ **Parameter card updates:**

- ▶ **New options:**

- ▶ `ignorePromptQNumbers`: Allows ignoring specific **QN** (e.g., spin, electric charge) for promptly decaying particles
 - ▶ `outputFormat`: New default string representation; old bracket notation format available with `outputFormat = version2` option

Changes in the output

▶ **New String Representation:**

- ▶ Replaces old bracket notation with a more compact string format for **SMS** topologies
- ▶ Converts back to bracket notation if `outputFormat = version2` is set (for **Z₂** symmetry cases)

▶ **More compact & informative:**

- ▶ Particle masses information is displayed as a list of tuples, so it is clear which **BSM** particles the masses refer to

▶ **Graphical output option:**

- ▶ Users can generate visual representations of **SMS** topologies using the **SModels** Python library

Changes in the output

Version 2:

Element ID: 1

Particles in element: `[[higgs]], [[W-]]`

Final states in element: `[N1, N1~]`

The element masses are

Branch 0: `[2.69E+02 [GeV], 1.29E+02 [GeV]]`

Branch 1: `[2.69E+02 [GeV], 1.29E+02 [GeV]]`

The element PIDs are

PIDs: `[1000023, 1000022]`

PIDs: `[1000024, 1000022]`

The element weights are:

Sqrts: `1.30E+01 [TeV], Weight: 3.92E-01 [pb]`

Sqrts: `8.00E+00 [TeV], Weight: 1.74E-01 [pb]`

Version 3:

SMS ID: 1

SMS: `(PV > N2(1), C1-(2)), (N2(1) > N1, higgs), (C1-(2) > N1\,, W-)`

Masses: `[(N2, 2.69E+02 [GeV]), (C1-, 2.69E+02 [GeV]), (N1, 1.29E+02 [GeV]), (N1\,, 1.29E+02 [GeV])]`

Cross-Sections:

Sqrts: `1.30E+01 [TeV], Weight: 3.92E-01 [pb]`

Sqrts: `8.00E+00 [TeV], Weight: 1.74E-01 [pb]`

Two-Mediator Dark Matter (2MDM) model

- ▶ The lagrangian of the **2MDM** model:

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \mathcal{L}_{Z'} + \mathcal{L}_{\phi} + \mathcal{L}_{\chi}$$

- ▶ With:

$$\mathcal{L}_{Z'} = g_{Z'q_q} \sum_q \bar{\psi}_q \gamma_{\mu} \psi_q Z'^{\mu} - \frac{1}{4} F'^{\mu\nu} F'_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} \sin \epsilon F'^{\mu\nu} B_{\mu\nu},$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\phi} = (\mathcal{D}^{\mu} \phi)^{\dagger} (\mathcal{D}_{\mu} \phi) - \mu_2^2 |\phi|^2 - \lambda_2 |\phi|^4 - \lambda_3 |\phi|^2 |H|^2,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\chi} = \frac{i}{2} \bar{\chi} \not{\partial} \chi - \frac{1}{2} g_{Z'\chi} Z'^{\mu} \bar{\chi} \gamma^5 \gamma_{\mu} \chi - \frac{1}{2} y_{\chi} \bar{\chi} (P_L \phi + P_R \phi^*) \chi$$

- ▶ The mixing angle ϵ between Z' and the hypercharge gauge boson B is set to zero due to stringent experimental constraints
- ▶ The last term in \mathcal{L}_{χ} ensures a mass for χ and requires $q_{\phi} = -2q_{\chi}$

Two-Mediator Dark Matter (2MDM) model

- ▶ The scalar S and the **SM** Higgs h correspond to linear combinations of the neutral components of ϕ and H :

$$h = H^0 \cos \alpha - \phi^0 \sin \alpha$$

$$S = \phi^0 \cos \alpha + H^0 \sin \alpha$$

- ▶ The **BSM** masses are given by:

$$m_{Z'} = 2g_{Z'}q_\chi v_2, \quad m_S^2 = m_h^2 + 2\frac{\lambda_3}{\sin 2\alpha}vv_2, \quad \text{and} \quad m_\chi = \frac{y_\chi}{\sqrt{2}}v_2$$

- ▶ Thus:

$$y_\chi = 2\sqrt{2} g_{Z'}q_\chi \frac{m_\chi}{m_{Z'}}$$

Two-Mediator Dark Matter (2MDM) model

- Feynman rules for the relevant interactions of Z' , S and χ :

Interaction	Vertex term
$Z'_\mu q \bar{q}$	$ig_q \gamma^\mu$
$Z'_\mu \chi \chi$	$-ig_\chi \gamma^\mu \gamma^5$
$S f \bar{f}$	$-i \frac{m_f}{v} \sin \alpha$
$S \chi \chi$	$-2ig_\chi \frac{m_\chi}{m_{Z'}} \cos \alpha$
$S W_\mu^- W_\nu^+$	$2ig^{\mu\nu} \frac{m_W^2}{v} \sin \alpha$
$S Z_\mu Z_\nu$	$2ig^{\mu\nu} \frac{m_Z^2}{v} \sin \alpha$
$S h h$	$-i \frac{m_S^2}{2m_{Z'} v} \left(1 + 2 \frac{m_h^2}{m_S^2} \right) (m_{Z'} \cos \alpha + 2g_\chi v \sin \alpha) \sin(2\alpha)$
$S Z'_\mu Z'_\nu$	$4ig^{\mu\nu} g_\chi m_{Z'} \cos \alpha$

Two-Mediator Dark Matter (2MDM) model

► The decay widths:

$$\Gamma(Z' \rightarrow q\bar{q}) = \frac{g_q^2 m_{Z'}}{4\pi} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_q^2}{m_{Z'}^2}} \left(1 + \frac{2m_q^2}{m_{Z'}^2}\right),$$

$$\Gamma(Z' \rightarrow \chi\chi) = \frac{g_\chi^2 m_{Z'}}{24\pi} \left(1 - \frac{4m_\chi^2}{m_{Z'}^2}\right)^{3/2}.$$

$$\Gamma(S \rightarrow \ell\bar{\ell}) = \frac{m_S m_\ell^2}{16\pi v^2} \left(1 - \frac{4m_\ell^2}{m_S^2}\right)^{3/2} \sin^2 \alpha,$$

$$\Gamma(S \rightarrow q\bar{q}) = 3 \frac{m_S m_q^2}{16\pi v^2} \left(1 - \frac{4m_q^2}{m_S^2}\right)^{3/2} \sin^2 \alpha,$$

$$\Gamma(S \rightarrow \chi\chi) = g_\chi^2 \frac{m_S m_\chi^2}{4\pi m_{Z'}^2} \left(1 - \frac{4m_\chi^2}{m_S^2}\right)^{3/2} \cos^2 \alpha,$$

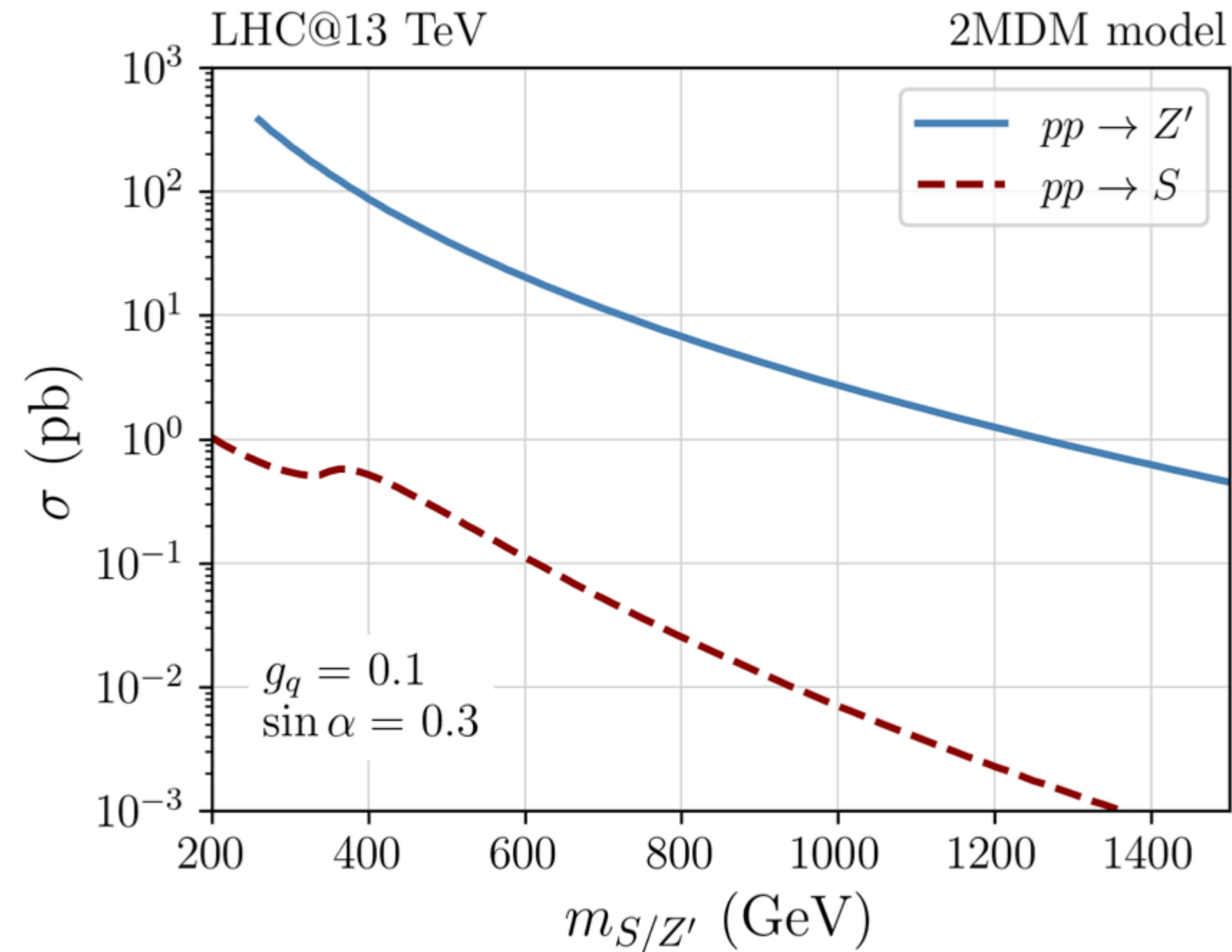
$$\Gamma(S \rightarrow WW) = \frac{m_S^3}{16\pi v^2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_W^2}{m_S^2}} \left(1 - \frac{4m_W^2}{m_S^2} + \frac{12m_W^4}{m_S^4}\right) \sin^2 \alpha,$$

$$\Gamma(S \rightarrow ZZ) = \frac{m_S^3}{32\pi v^2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_Z^2}{m_S^2}} \left(\frac{4m_Z^2}{m_S^2} - \frac{12m_Z^4}{m_S^4} - 1\right) \sin^2 \alpha,$$

$$\Gamma(S \rightarrow hh) = \frac{m_S^3}{128\pi v^2 m_{Z'}^2} \left(1 + 2\frac{m_h^2}{m_S^2}\right)^2 \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_h^2}{m_S^2}} \\ \times (m_{Z'} \cos \alpha + 2g_\chi v \sin \alpha)^2 \sin^2(2\alpha),$$

Why we exclude the scalar production

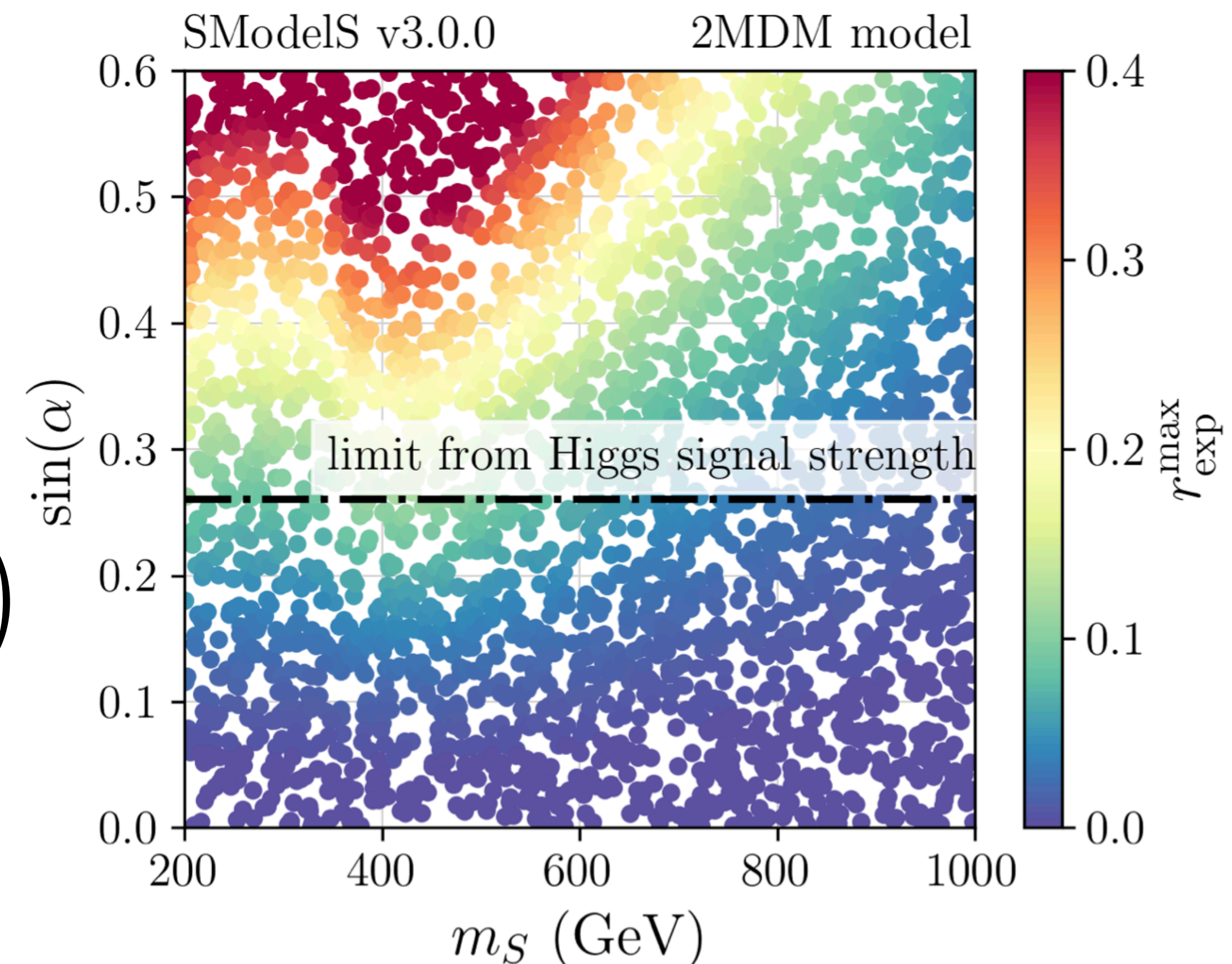
- ▶ The spin-0 production cross-section is typically much smaller than the spin-1 cross section, unless $g_q \ll \sin \alpha$ and/or $m_S \ll m_{Z'}$:



Cross-sections for the resonant production of the spin-1 and spin-0 mediators at the **LHC**. The Z' coupling to quarks is fixed to $g_q = 0.1$, while the S - h mixing angle is $\sin \alpha = 0.3$. Computed at leading order using MadGraph5

Why we exclude the scalar production

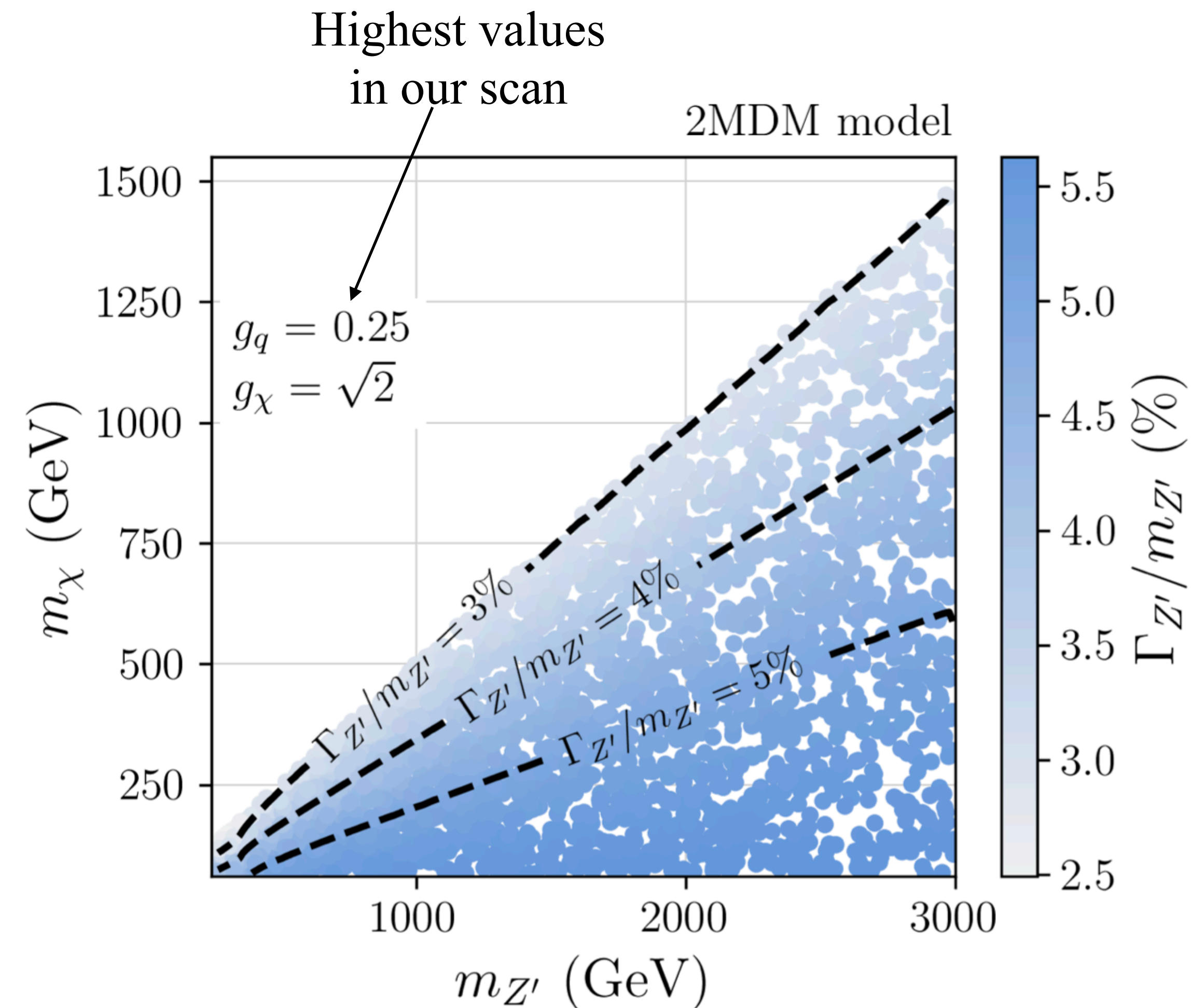
- ▶ The current limit on α is $\sin \alpha < 0.27$
[arXiv:2305.16169](https://arxiv.org/abs/2305.16169)
- ▶ Even if we saturate this bound the S production cross-section is too small to be probed by resonance or E_T^{miss} searches
- ▶ The expected r-value $\left(r_{exp}^{max} = \sigma(pp \rightarrow S) / \sigma_{UL}^{exp} \right)$ is much smaller than 1, indicating no potential exclusion by the CMS monojet search



Ratio of S production cross-section to its expected 95% CL upper limit from CMS-EXO-20-004. The dashed black line denotes the limit from Higgs signal strength measurements. (r_{exp}^{max} : $\text{BR}(S \rightarrow \chi\chi) = 100\%$).

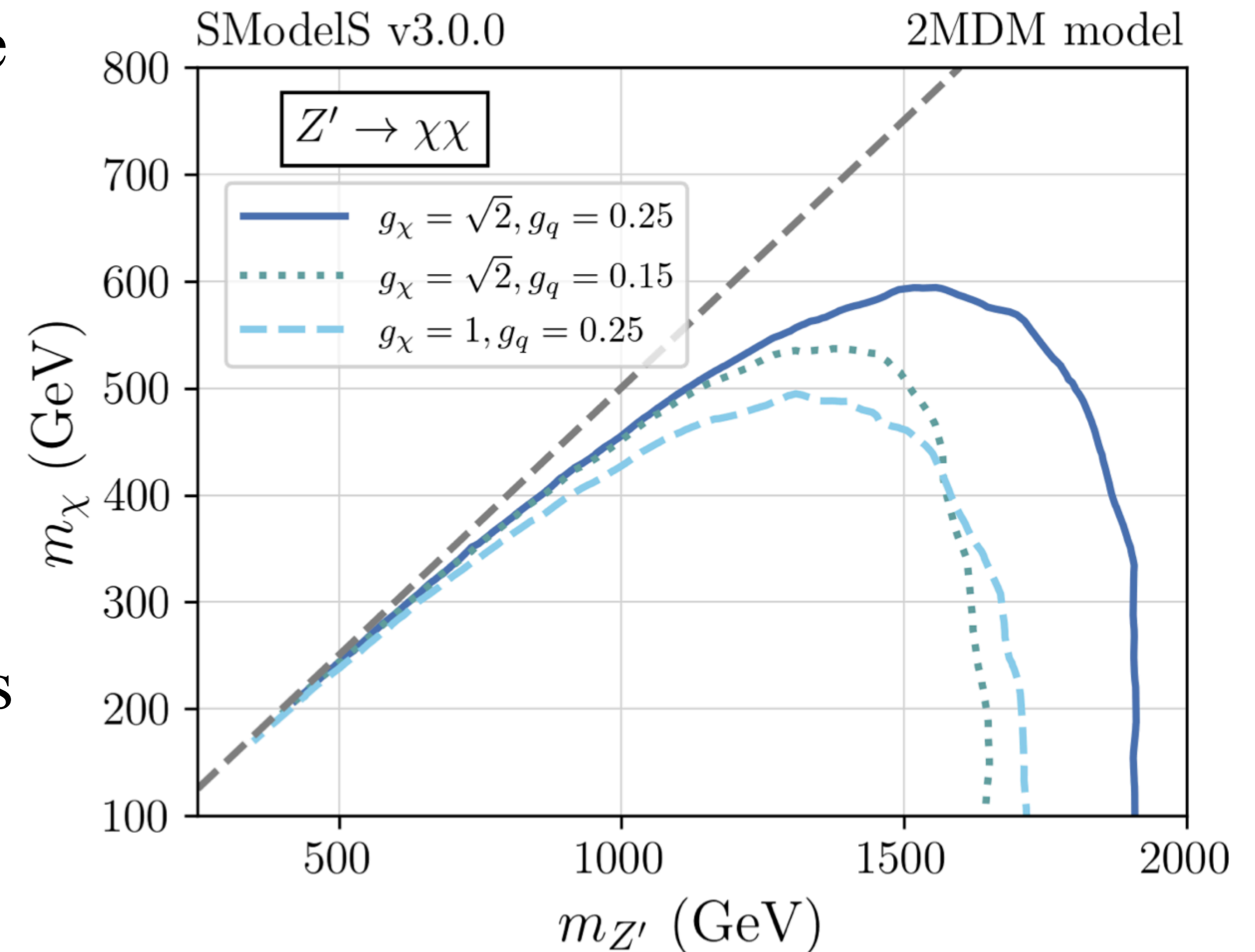
Parameter scan

- ▶ Note on the Z' width:
 - ▶ Large for high values of g_q and g_χ ; **NWA** not valid
 - ▶ Only **CMS-EXO-19-012** provides width dependent results; **other resonance searches** can only be used in the **NWA**
 - ▶ E_T^{miss} + jets searches valid up to $\Gamma_{Z'}/m_{Z'} \simeq 5\%$
- ▶ $\Gamma_{Z'}/m_{Z'}$ always larger than 1%, can reach up to 5.6%



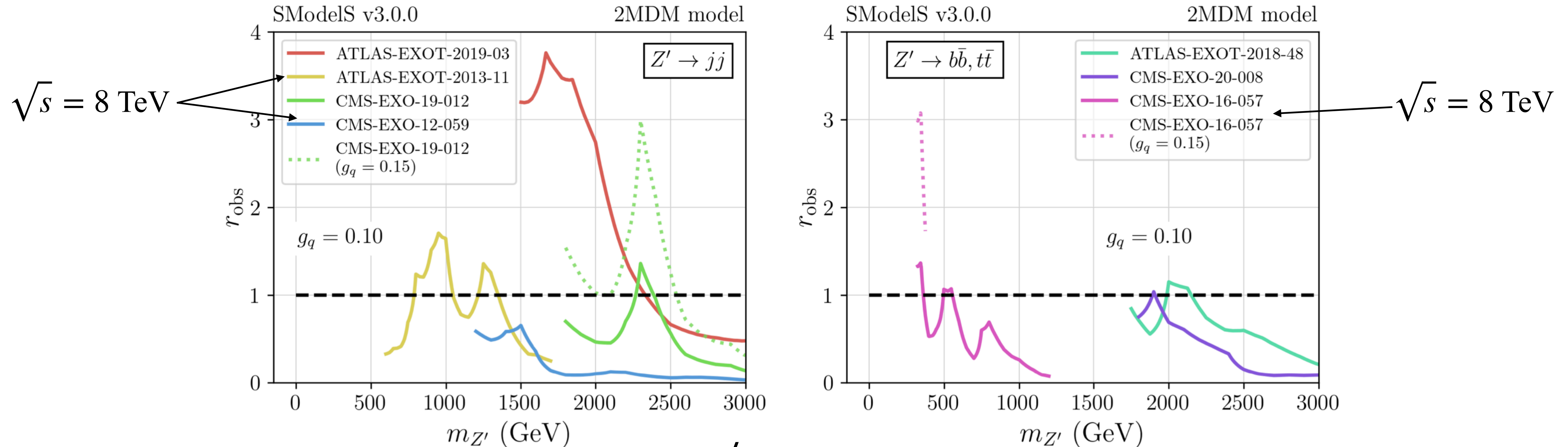
Constraints from jets + MET searches

- ▶ In the **NWA** & for $m_\chi \ll m_{Z'}$ the signal in the E_T^{miss} channel is $\propto g_q^2 \frac{1}{1 + g_q^2/g_\chi^2}$
- ▶ For fixed g_q the signal increases with g_χ
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- ▶ Altogether, the signal increases or decreases with both g_q and g_χ



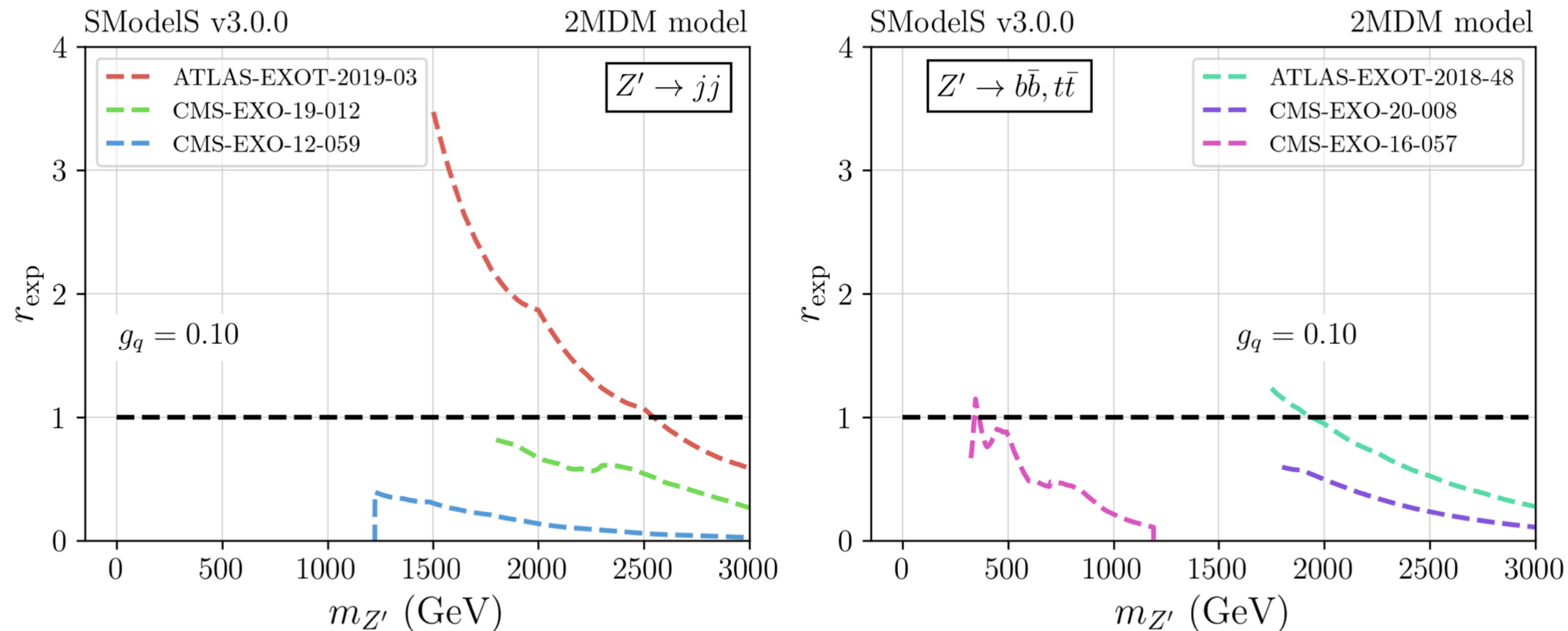
Exclusion lines in the from the combination of the ATLAS multijet and the CMS monojet searches, for three different choices of couplings

Constraints from di-quark resonance searches



- ▶ $g_q = 0.1, g_\chi = 0.01, m_\chi = 65 \text{ GeV}, \Gamma_{Z'}/m_{Z'} \lesssim 0.5 \%$: **NWA** & Z' decays almost exclusively to $jj, b\bar{b}$ and $t\bar{t}$ (if kinematically allowed)
- ▶ $g_q = 0.15, \Gamma_{Z'}/m_{Z'} > 1 \%$ (no **NWA** for $m_{Z'} > 300 \text{ GeV}$): more information is needed from experimentalists

Constraints from di-quark resonance searches



- ▶ ATLAS-EXOT-2019-03 is more sensitive than CMS-EXO-19-012
- ▶ ATLAS-EXOT-2018-48 is more sensitive than CMS-EXO-20-008
- ▶ ATLAS-EXOT-2019-03 is the most sensitive for high-mass range
- ▶ Combining ATLAS and CMS dijet searches would average out fluctuations and provide more robust limits