

Flavorless baryon number violation



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- Outline

- I. A brief history of baryon and lepton number
- II. Flavorless B and L violation
- III. B violation in the MSSM

I. History

Baryon number conservation was a theoretical dogma

Theoretically obvious:

1929, Dirac & Weyl: Conserved proton charge to forbid $p^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$.

1938, Stueckelberg: Conserved hadron charge - to forbid $p^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm \gamma$,
- to allow $n^0 \rightarrow p^+ e^- \nu$.

1949, Wigner: Conserved baryon charge - to forbid $p^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm \gamma, e\pi, \nu\pi$,
- to allow $\pi^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm \nu, \dots$

Experimentally obvious:

1954, Goldhaber: Radiation from our body's p^+ decay does not kill us?

$\Rightarrow \tau(p^+) > 10^{16} \text{ years} \approx 10^6 \times \text{Age of the Universe.}$

First true exp. $\Rightarrow \tau(p^+) > 10^{21} \text{ years} \approx 10^{11} \times \text{Age of the Universe.}$

Later, many "big tank" experiments were designed to look for p^+ decay.

Lepton number conservation was a theoretical oddity

Theoretically dubious:

1937, Majorana: Neutrinos could be their own antiparticle.

1939, Furry: Neutrinoless double beta decay $0\nu\beta\beta = 2n^0 \rightarrow 2p^+ + 2e^-$.

Experimentally resuscitated:

- $0\nu\beta\beta$ not observed,
- $\nu \neq \bar{\nu}$ (Cowan-Reines, Davis, 1956),
- $\nu_e \neq \nu_\mu$ (Lederman et al., 1962),
- $\mu^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm + \gamma$ not observed.

Lepton family number must be conserved (1960, Lee & Yang)

Hence so is total lepton number: $\mathcal{L}_e + \mathcal{L}_\mu + \mathcal{L}_\tau \equiv \mathcal{L}$

Held until the proton decay experiments found neutrino oscillations!

The modern puzzle

End of the sixties: Both \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{L} appear conserved in the SM

Leptons (e, ν, \dots) have $\mathcal{L} = +1$,

Quarks have $\mathcal{B} = +1/3 \Rightarrow$ nucleons have $\mathcal{B} = +1$.

End of the seventies: Theorists lose all faith in \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{L} conservation

1967, Sakharov: Conditions for a baryon asymmetry in the Universe

1974, Georgi–Glashow: GUT predict \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{L} violation.

1976, 't Hooft: $\mathcal{B} + \mathcal{L}$ is anomalous in the Standard Model.

1977, Seesaw: Right-handed neutrinos bring us back to Majorana.

But, experiments do not see that: $\tau(p^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 e^+) > 8.2 \times 10^{33} \text{ years}$
 $\tau(0\nu\beta\beta) > 1.9 \times 10^{25} \text{ years}$

Are we looking in the right place?

II. Flavorless B and L violation

A. How to violate \mathcal{B} and/or \mathcal{L} in a flavor-diagonal way?

How to naturally pass all bounds on \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{L} violating processes?

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \sum_i \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^{d-4}} Q_i^d$$

Its scale is very high

→ like in GUT

Its coupling is very small

→ like for the SM anomaly.

Its mass-dimension is large

→ like for the SM anomaly.

The anomaly is a bit special (non-perturbative):

$$\mathcal{H}_{eff} = g_{an} \times \underbrace{d_L s_L b_L \otimes u_L c_L t_L \otimes u_L c_L t_L}_{\Delta\mathcal{B}=3} \otimes \underbrace{e_L^- \mu_L^- \tau_L^-}_{\Delta\mathcal{L}=3} + \dots$$

Extremely weak: $g_{an} \sim \exp(-2\pi \sin^2 \theta_W / \alpha_{em}) \sim 10^{-80}$.

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SM gauge interactions are flavor blind (= $SU(3)^5$ symmetry).

$$(u, c, t) \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{Scalar: } \delta^{IJ} q^I \bar{q}^J = u\bar{u} + c\bar{c} + t\bar{t} & (\Delta\mathcal{B} = 0) \\ \text{Cross: } \epsilon^{IJK} q^I q^J q^K = uct - cut + ctu - \dots & (\Delta\mathcal{B} = 1) \end{array} \right.$$

$$(e, \mu, \nu_\tau) \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{Scalar: } \delta^{IJ} \ell^I \bar{\ell}^J = e^- e^+ + \mu^- \mu^+ + \nu_\tau \bar{\nu}_\tau & (\Delta\mathcal{L} = 0) \\ \text{Cross: } \epsilon^{IJK} \ell^I \ell^J \ell^K = e\mu\nu_\tau - \tau\mu\nu_e + \tau e\nu_\mu - \dots & (\Delta\mathcal{L} = 3) \end{array} \right.$$

In the SM: Scalar products = perturbative couplings.
 Cross products = anomalous couplings.

Beyond the SM: Both could arise perturbatively.

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Selection rules:

- Steps of three: $\Delta\mathcal{L} = \mathbb{Z}N_F$ and $\Delta\mathcal{B} = \mathbb{Z}N_F / N_C$.

$$N_F = 3 \text{ families, } N_C = 3 \text{ colors.}$$

- All three generations always participate:

$$\epsilon^{IJK} \neq 0 \text{ iff } I \neq J \neq K.$$

- At least six fermions to form a Lorentz invariant.

B. Most accessible flavor-diagonal channels

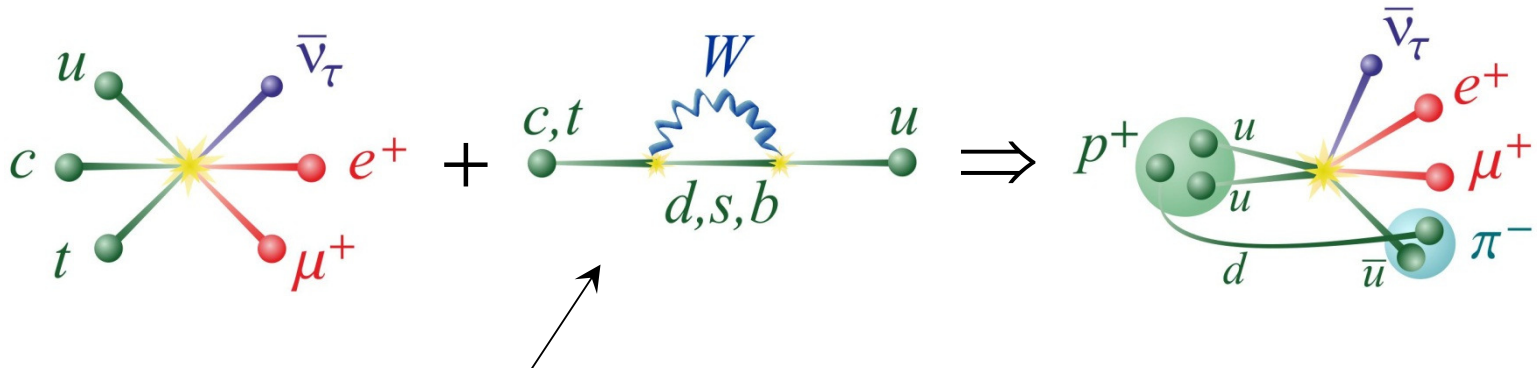
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$\Delta\mathcal{B}$	$\Delta\mathcal{L}$	Core	Example
0	± 6	$\varepsilon^{IJK} \nu^I \nu^J \nu^K \otimes \varepsilon^{IJK} \nu^I \nu^J \nu^K$	$\nu_e \nu_\mu \nu_\tau \otimes \nu_e \nu_\mu \nu_\tau$
± 1	± 3	$\varepsilon^{IJK} u^I u^J u^K \otimes \varepsilon^{IJK} \ell^I \ell^J \nu^K$ $\varepsilon^{IJK} u^I u^J d^K \otimes \varepsilon^{IJK} \ell^I \nu^J \nu^K$ $\varepsilon^{IJK} u^I d^J d^K \otimes \varepsilon^{IJK} \nu^I \nu^J \nu^K$	$tcu \otimes e^- \mu^- \nu_\tau$ $tcd \otimes e^- \nu_\mu \nu_\tau$ $bsd \otimes \nu_e \nu_\mu \nu_\tau$
± 1	∓ 3	$\varepsilon^{IJK} u^I d^J d^K \otimes \varepsilon^{IJK} \bar{\nu}^I \bar{\nu}^J \bar{\nu}^K$ $\varepsilon^{IJK} d^I d^J d^K \otimes \varepsilon^{IJK} \bar{\ell}^I \bar{\nu}^J \bar{\nu}^K$	$tsd \otimes \bar{\nu}_e \bar{\nu}_\mu \bar{\nu}_\tau$ $bsd \otimes e^+ \bar{\nu}_\mu \bar{\nu}_\tau$
± 2	0	$\varepsilon^{IJK} u^I d^J d^K \otimes \varepsilon^{IJK} u^I d^J d^K$	$tsd \otimes tsd$

Proton decay & neutron oscillations are kinematically forbidden?

C. Induced flavor non-diagonal effects – The MFV hypothesis

Quark flavor transitions needed for proton decay



Those occur in the SM, but are **suppressed**.

Even with new physics, experiments tell us they are small.

Long proton lifetime \leftrightarrow No NP effects at flavor factories.

\mathcal{B} and \mathcal{L} violating couplings end up highly hierarchical

Their size is highly dependent on the flavors involved.

The proton is stable enough for TeV-scale new particles.

D. Discovery channels at the LHC

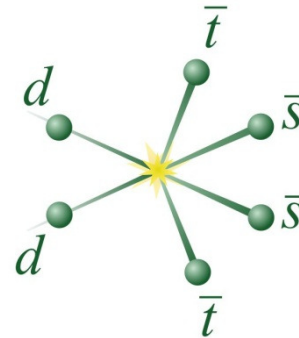
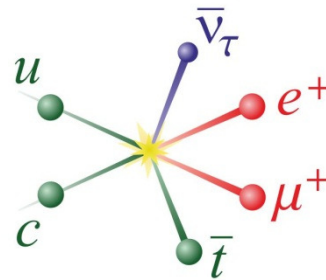
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Baryon number (jets) & lepton number (v's) are not measurable.

Final State: Look for same-sign leptons and tops.

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$$\Delta\mathcal{B} = 2$$

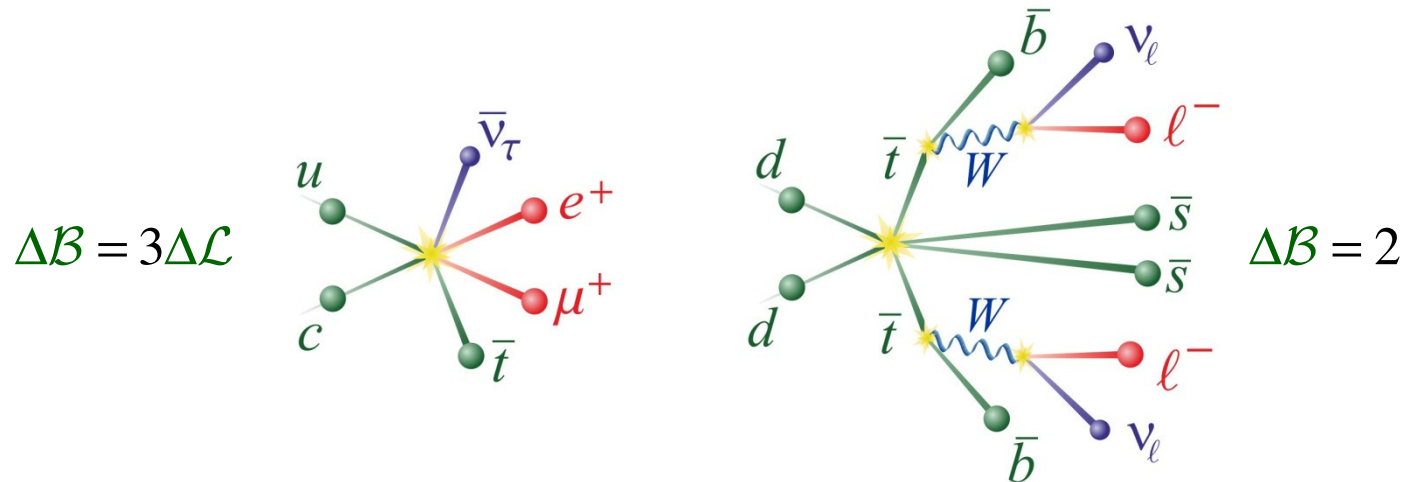
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Initial State: The LHC collides $p^+ p^+$ which has $\mathcal{B} = 2$.

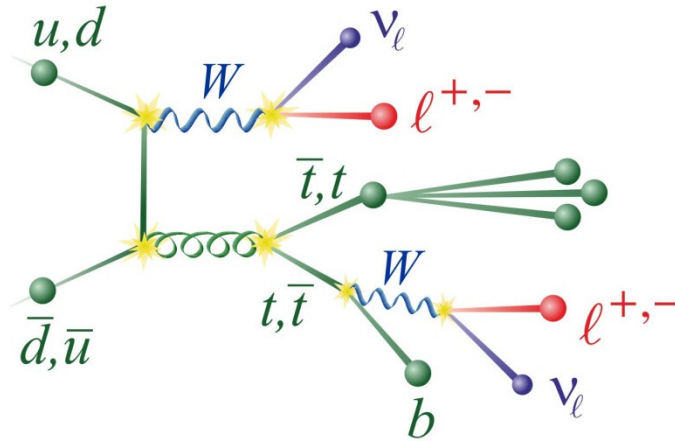
Look for $e^\pm e^\pm$, $\mu^\pm \mu^\pm$, and/or $e^\pm \mu^\pm$ charge asymmetry.

D. Discovery channels at the LHC

Campbell, Ellis '12

Same-sign charge asymmetry: a smoking gun for \mathcal{B} violation!

In the SM, the rate is small and the asymmetry is positive:



$$\sigma_{NLO}(\ell^+ \ell'^+) \approx 160 \text{ fb @ 8 TeV}$$

$$A_{SS}(\ell^+ \ell'^+ - \ell^- \ell'^-) \approx +50\%$$

for all $\ell, \ell' = e, \mu$.

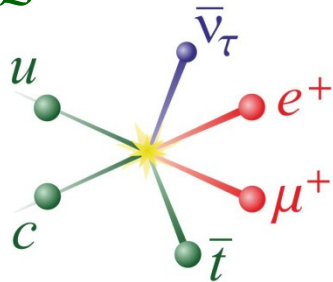
The vast majority of \mathcal{B} -conserving New Physics produces:

$$A_{SS}(\ell^+ \ell'^+ - \ell^- \ell'^-) > 0 \quad \text{for all } \ell, \ell' = e, \mu.$$

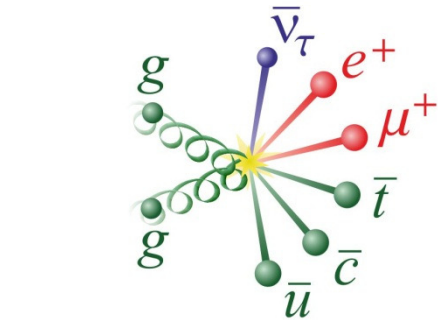
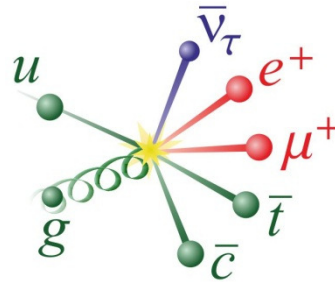
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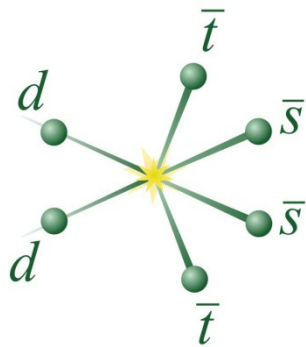


$$A_{SS}(e^+\mu^+ - e^-\mu^-) > +80\%$$



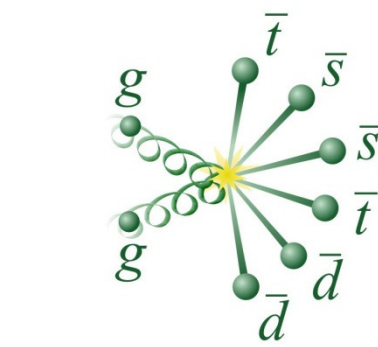
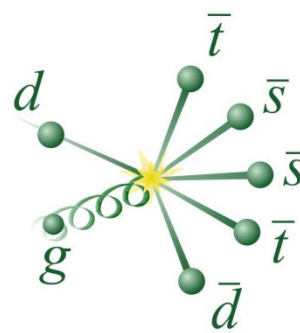
$$A_{SS}(e^+\mu^+ - e^-\mu^-) = 0$$

$$\Delta\mathcal{B} = 2$$



$$A_{SS}(\ell^+\ell'^+ - \ell^-\ell'^-) < -80\%$$

for all $\ell, \ell' = e, \mu$.



$$A_{SS}(\ell^+\ell'^+ - \ell^-\ell'^-) = 0$$

III. B violation in the MSSM

A. Flavor-diagonal \mathcal{R} -parity violation in the MSSM

Nikolidakis, CS '07

$$\mathcal{W}_{RPV} \supset \underbrace{\lambda^{IJK} L^I L^J E^K + \lambda'^{IJK} L^I Q^J D^K}_{\Delta\mathcal{L}=1} + \underbrace{\lambda''^{IJK} U^I D^J D^K}_{\Delta\mathcal{B}=1}$$

Violates selection rules:

$\Delta\mathcal{L} = 3$ hierarchies

\oplus

$\Delta\mathcal{L} = 2$ neutrino mass

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda^{IJK} < 10^{-13} \\ \lambda'^{IJK} < 10^{-17} \end{cases}$$

Yukawa-induced hierarchies:

	λ''	ds	sb	bd	
Full:	u	5	5	5	$x \equiv \mathcal{O}(10^{-x})$ $\tan \beta = 5$
	c	4	6	5	
	t	1	5	4	

	λ''	ds	sb	bd
Holomorphic:	u	13	8	10
	c	10	6	7
	t	6	5	6

Csaki, Grossman,
Heidenreich '11

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$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda^{IJK} < 10^{-12} \\ \lambda'^{IJK} < 10^{-14} \end{cases}$$

Yukawa-induced hierarchies:

	λ''	ds	sb	bd	
Full:	u	4	4	4	$x \equiv \mathcal{O}(10^{-x})$ $\tan\beta = 50$
	c	3	4	4	
	t	0	3	3	

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Holomorphic:	u	11	6	8
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	t	4	3	4

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B. Stealth supersymmetry at the LHC?

Dominant \mathcal{B} violation through $\lambda''_{312} \leq \mathcal{O}(1)$.



$$\tilde{t}_R d_R s_R, t_R \tilde{d}_R s_R, t_R d_R \tilde{s}_R$$

Theoretically: this single coupling does not change much.

Experimentally: The whole phenomenology is modified.



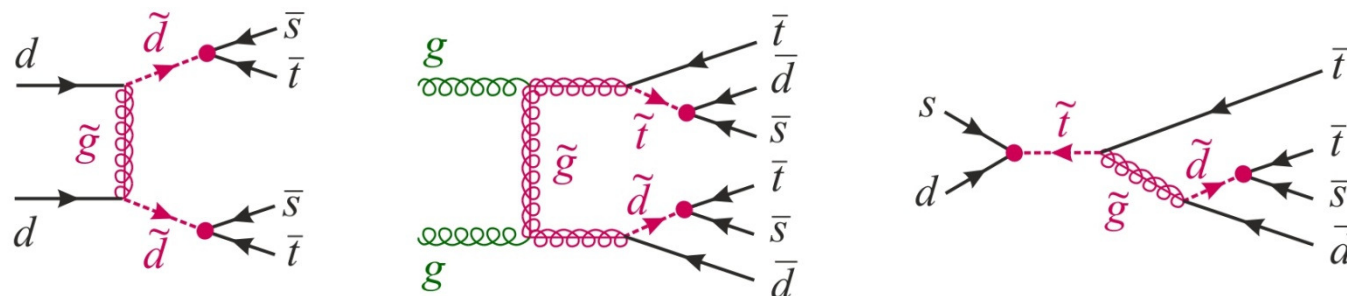
The **LSP decays into quarks**, so it needs not be colorless & neutral.

- **No missing E_T** (except from ν) \leftarrow RPC channels used up to now
- Supersymmetry is hidden in the **increased hadronic activity**.

C. Characteristic signatures of the \mathcal{B} violating MSSM

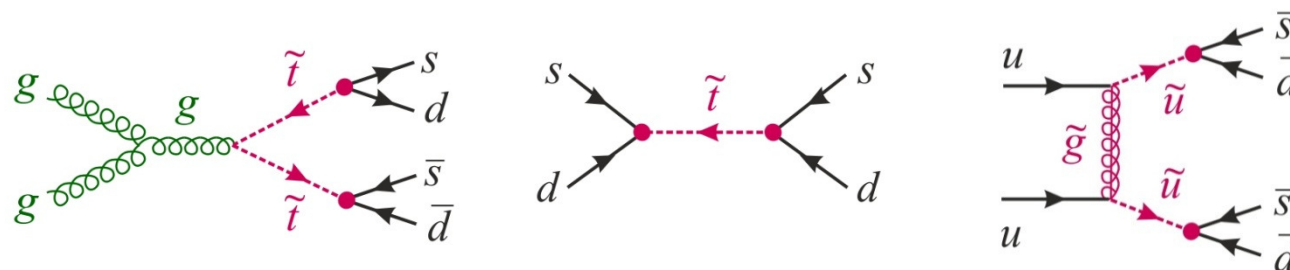
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- Same sign top pairs \rightarrow same sign lepton pairs.



Large rates, characteristic $\Delta B = 2$ signature, small backgrounds.

- Dijet resonances from intermediate up-type squarks.

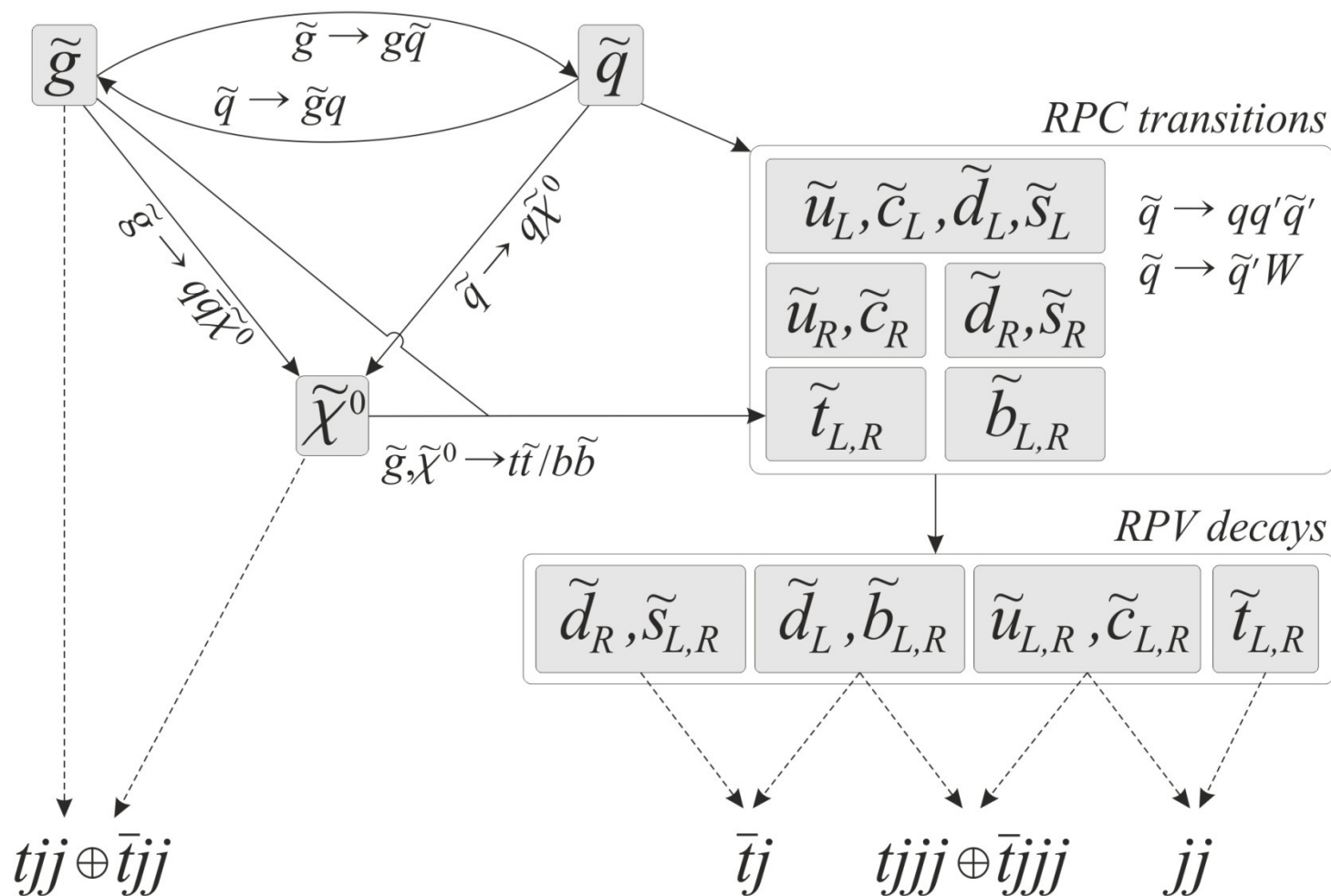


Large backgrounds from $\Delta B = 0$ QCD processes.

- R-hadrons? Without large mass splitting, sparticles decay too quickly.

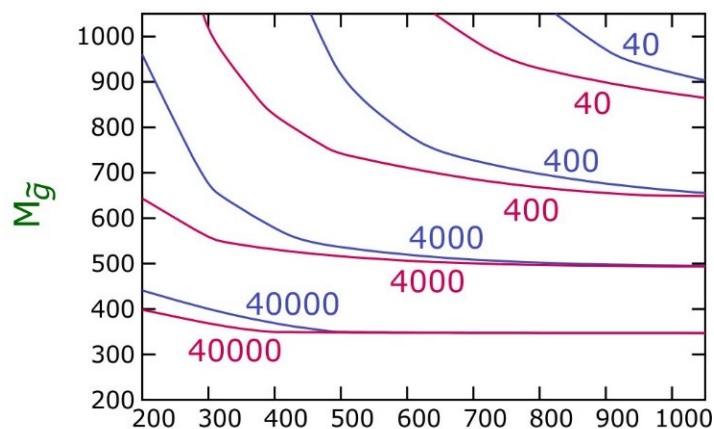
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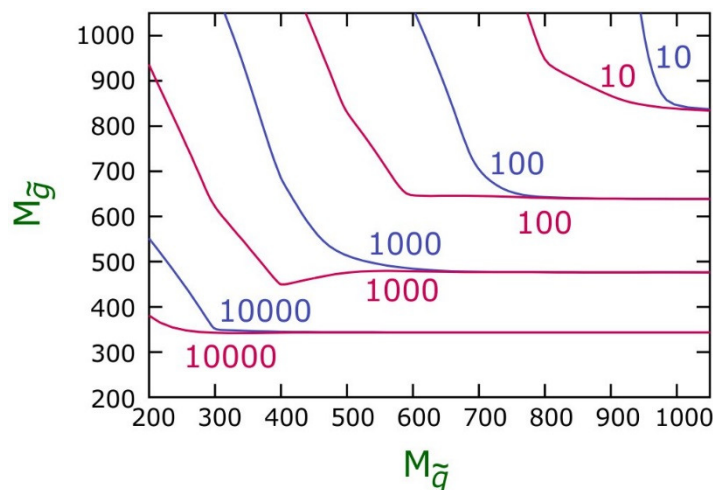
QCD processes: $gg \rightarrow \tilde{g}\tilde{g}$

$$gd \rightarrow \tilde{g}\tilde{d}_R + \tilde{g}\tilde{d}_L$$

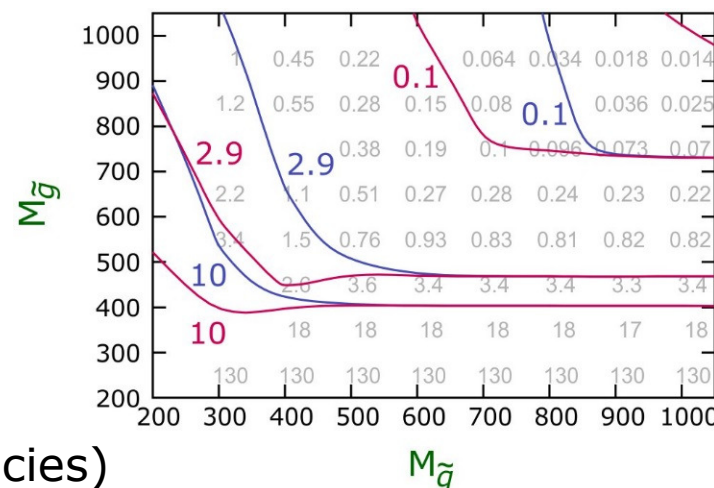
$$dd \rightarrow \tilde{d}_R \tilde{d}_R + 2\tilde{d}_R \tilde{d}_L + \tilde{d}_L \tilde{d}_L$$

$\bar{t} + \bar{t}$ production via the RPV

decays $\tilde{g} \rightarrow \bar{t} \bar{d} \bar{s}$, $\tilde{d}_R \rightarrow \bar{t} \bar{s}$, $\tilde{d}_L \rightarrow \bar{t} \bar{s}$

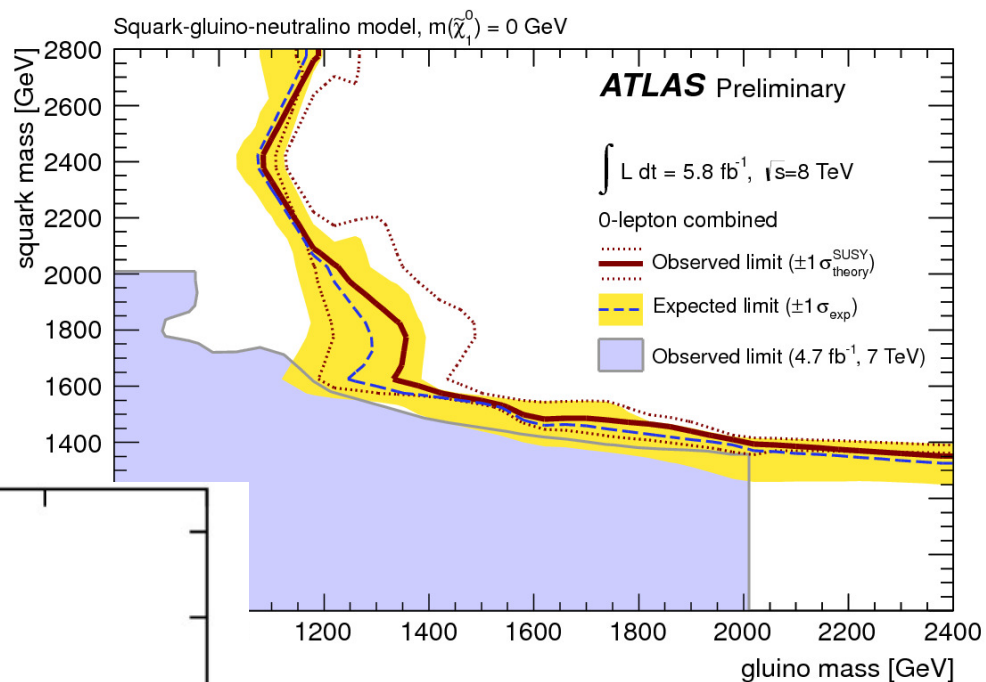
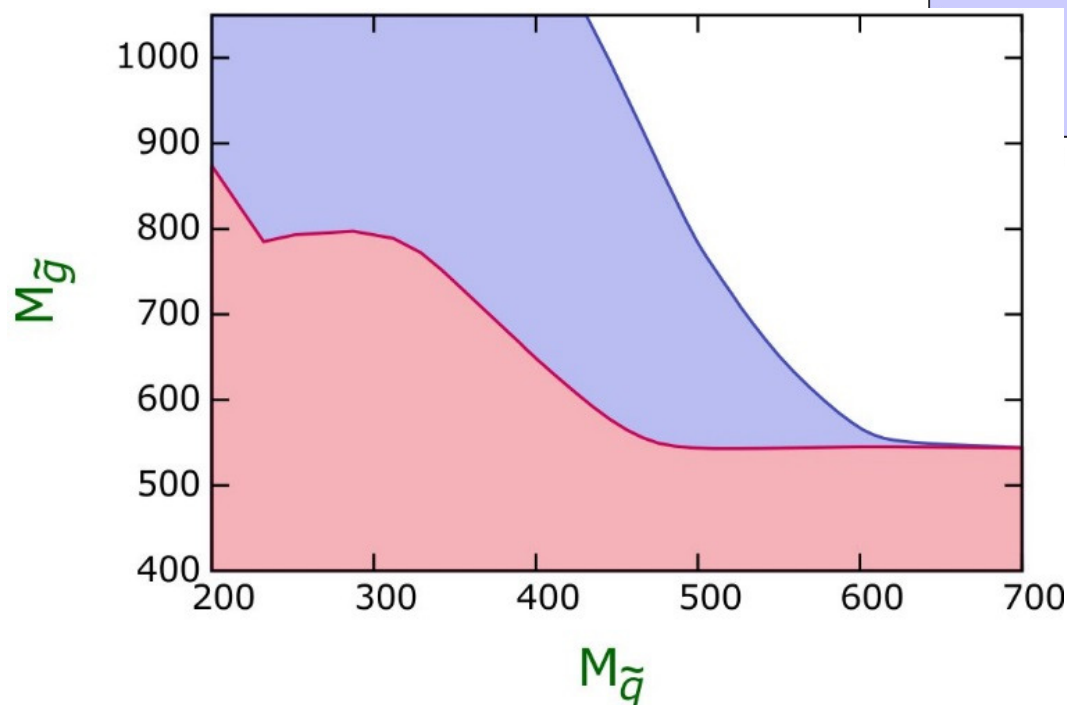


With top leptonic decays
(CMS SR0 region, including lepton & b efficiencies)



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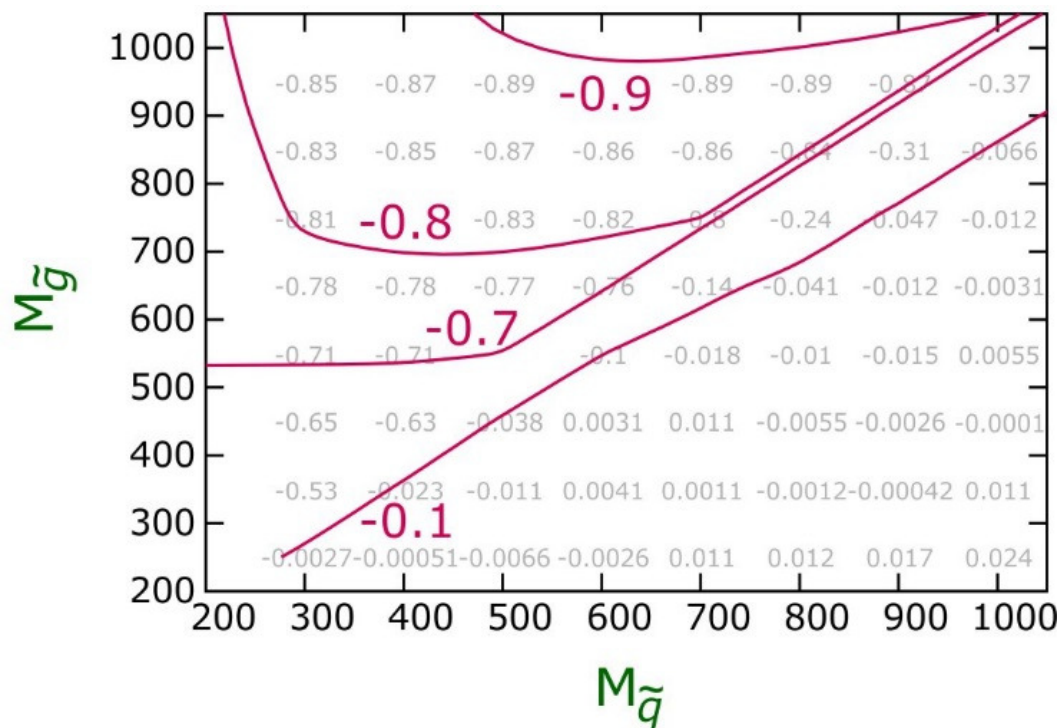
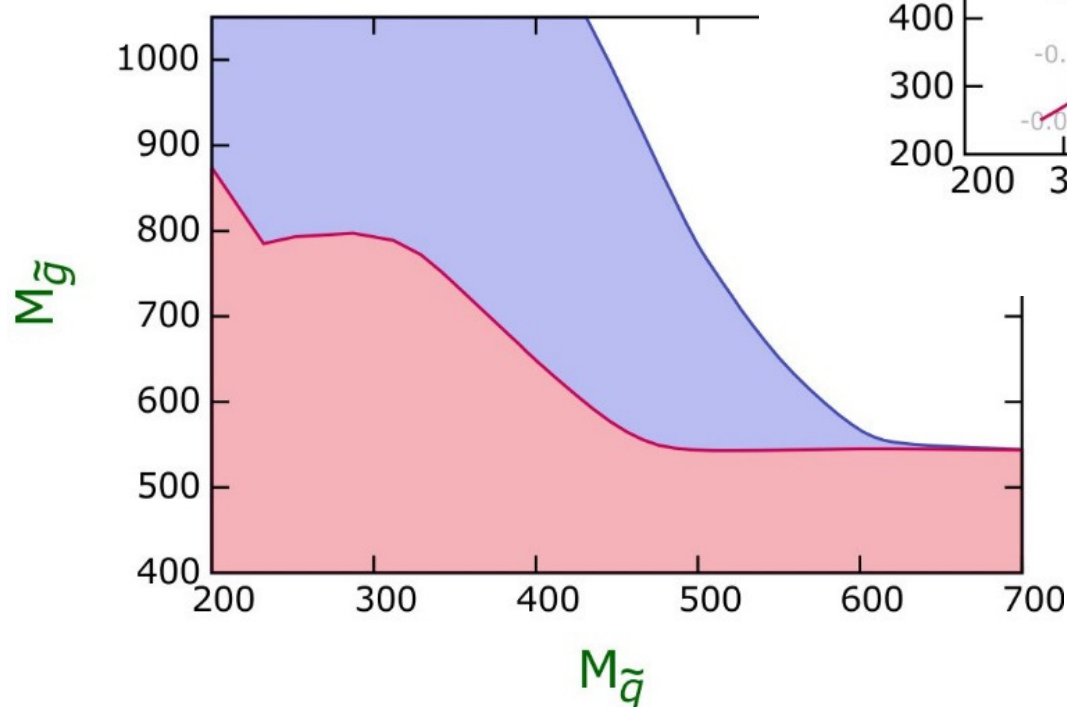
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MSSM with \mathcal{R} parityMSSM without \mathcal{R} parity

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Lepton charge asymmetry:



MSSM without \mathcal{R} parity

Conclusion

Baryon and lepton number violation at the LHC?

- Low-energy \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{L} violating interactions are possible

Proton stability ensured by their non-trivial flavor structure.

No fine-tuning! Just Yukawa hierarchies + small neutrino masses.

These hierarchies favor processes with top quarks:

$$\Delta\mathcal{B}, \Delta\mathcal{L} = 1, 3 : gu \rightarrow \bar{t} + \bar{c} + e^+ \mu^+ \bar{\nu}_\tau$$

$$\Delta\mathcal{B}, \Delta\mathcal{L} = 2, 0 : dd \rightarrow \bar{t}\bar{t} + \bar{s}\bar{s}, gd \rightarrow \bar{t}\bar{t} + \bar{d}\bar{s}\bar{s},$$

$$gg \rightarrow \bar{t}\bar{t} + \bar{d}\bar{d}\bar{s}\bar{s} + h.c.$$

- In supersymmetry, the main motivation for R-parity is removed!

No sizable \mathcal{L} violation, but large \mathcal{B} violating couplings.

→ Bypass current bounds on sparticle masses.

→ Look for same sign top pairs, and lepton charge asymmetry.