

# LHC constraints on light neutralino dark matter in the MSSM

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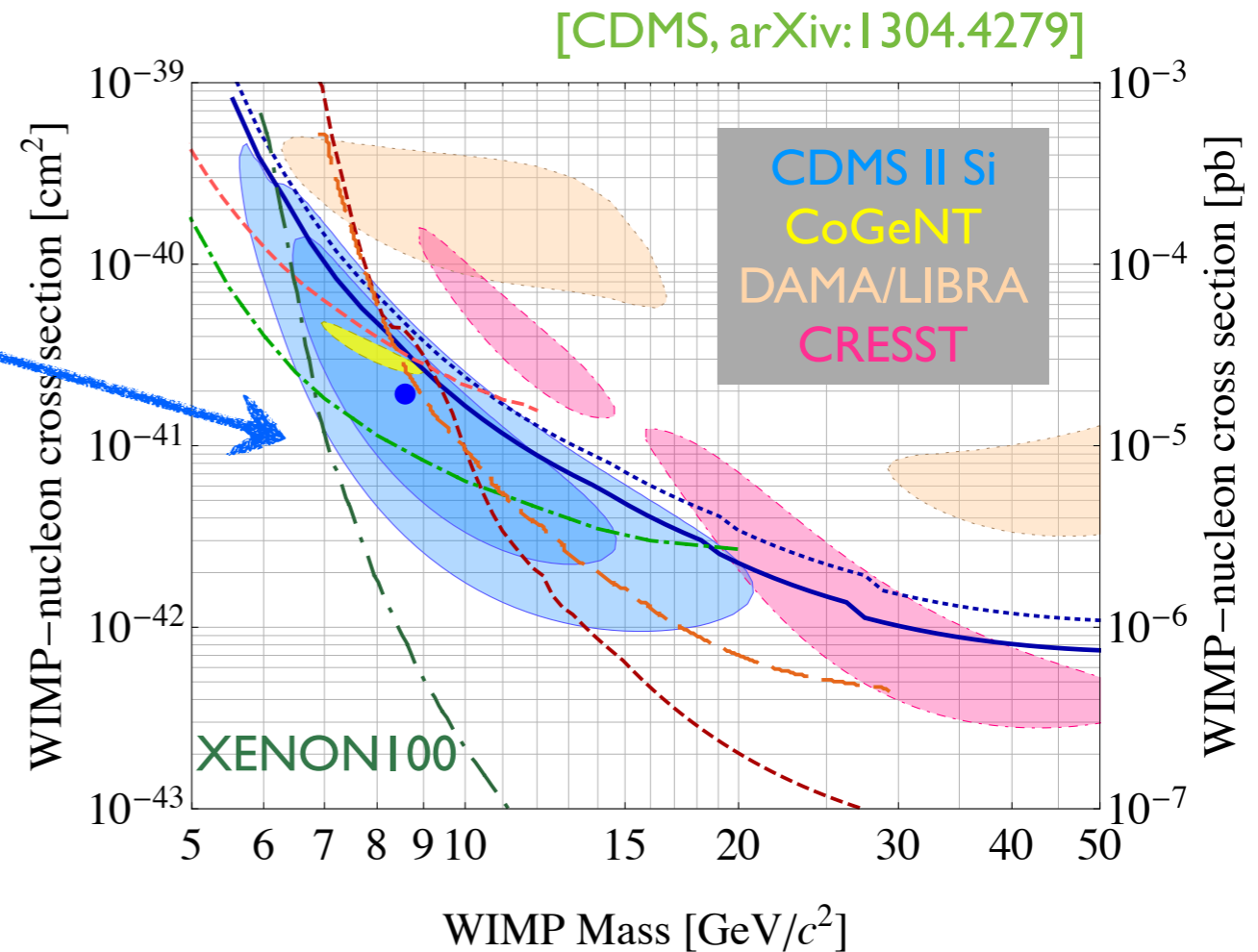
# light neutralino dark matter

In the MSSM:  $(\tilde{B}, \tilde{W}^0, \tilde{H}_d^0, \tilde{H}_u^0) \xrightarrow{\text{EWSB}} (\tilde{\chi}_1^0, \tilde{\chi}_2^0, \tilde{\chi}_3^0, \tilde{\chi}_4^0)$

↳ LSP and dark matter candidate

light neutralino dark matter motivated by:

- ◆ having a light SUSY spectrum
- ◆ hints from direct detection  $\sim 10$  GeV  
(... and maybe from indirect detection)  
[Hopper et al. claims]
- ◆ easy-to-exclude region
  - no resonance under  $M_Z/2 = 45$  GeV
  - no co-annihilation under  $\sim 100$  GeV
 (counterexample: [arXiv:1308.2153]  
see Alexandre Arbey's talk tomorrow)



# viable light neutralino dark matter

## nature of the lightest neutralino?

- pure wino or higgsino dark matter?  
→ excluded by chargino searches at LEP
- pure bino dark matter?  
→ the relic density is too large

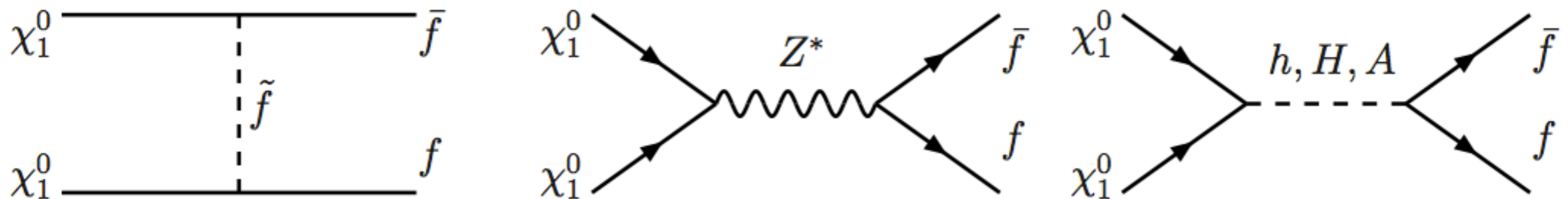
$$\begin{matrix}
 & \tilde{B} & \tilde{W}^0 & \tilde{H}_d^0 & \tilde{H}_u^0 \\
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 0 & M_2 & c_\beta c_W m_Z & -s_\beta c_W m_Z \\
 -c_\beta s_W m_Z & c_\beta c_W m_Z & 0 & -\mu \\
 s_\beta s_W m_Z & -s_\beta c_W m_Z & -\mu & 0
 \end{pmatrix}
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**solution:** mainly bino ( $M_1 \ll M_2, \mu$ ) with some wino/higgsino admixture ( $\mu$  and/or  $M_2 \lesssim 200$  GeV)

## other SUSY particles?

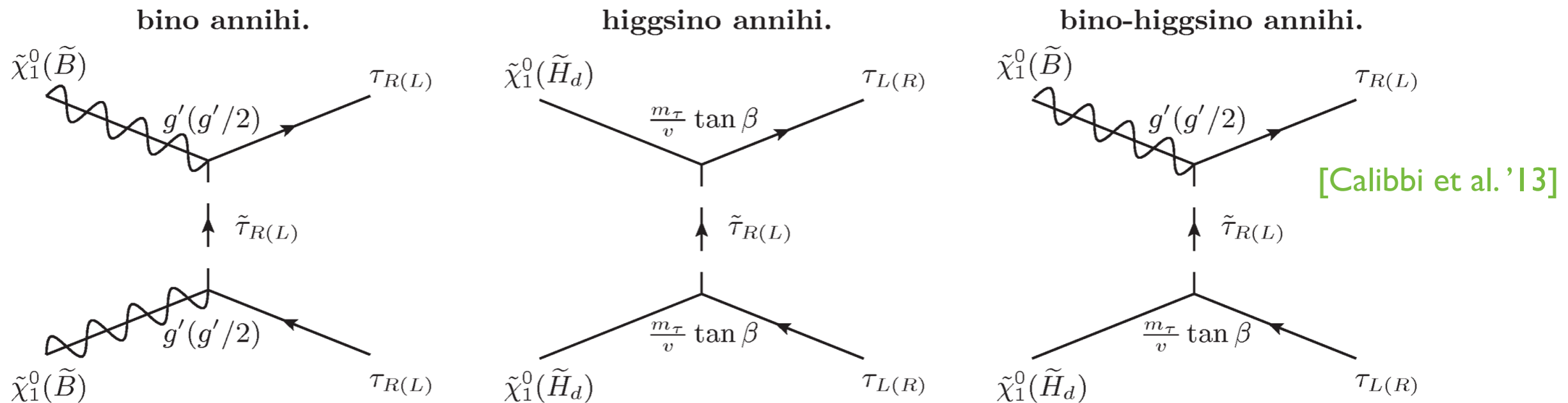
- gluino and squarks: constrained by LEP and LHC searches to be heavy → no influence on DM
- other Higgses: little influence expected on DM (constraints on  $A^0, H^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$  at the LHC)
- sleptons:  $\sim 100$  GeV is allowed, contributions from staus to DM annihilation can be large

**light sleptons are required for light neutralino DM** [Albornoz Vasquez, Belanger, Boehm '11]



# viable light neutralino dark matter

## stau-mediated annihilation



RH stau annihilation is much more efficient, also higgsino enhancement (low  $\mu$ , high  $\tan \beta$ )

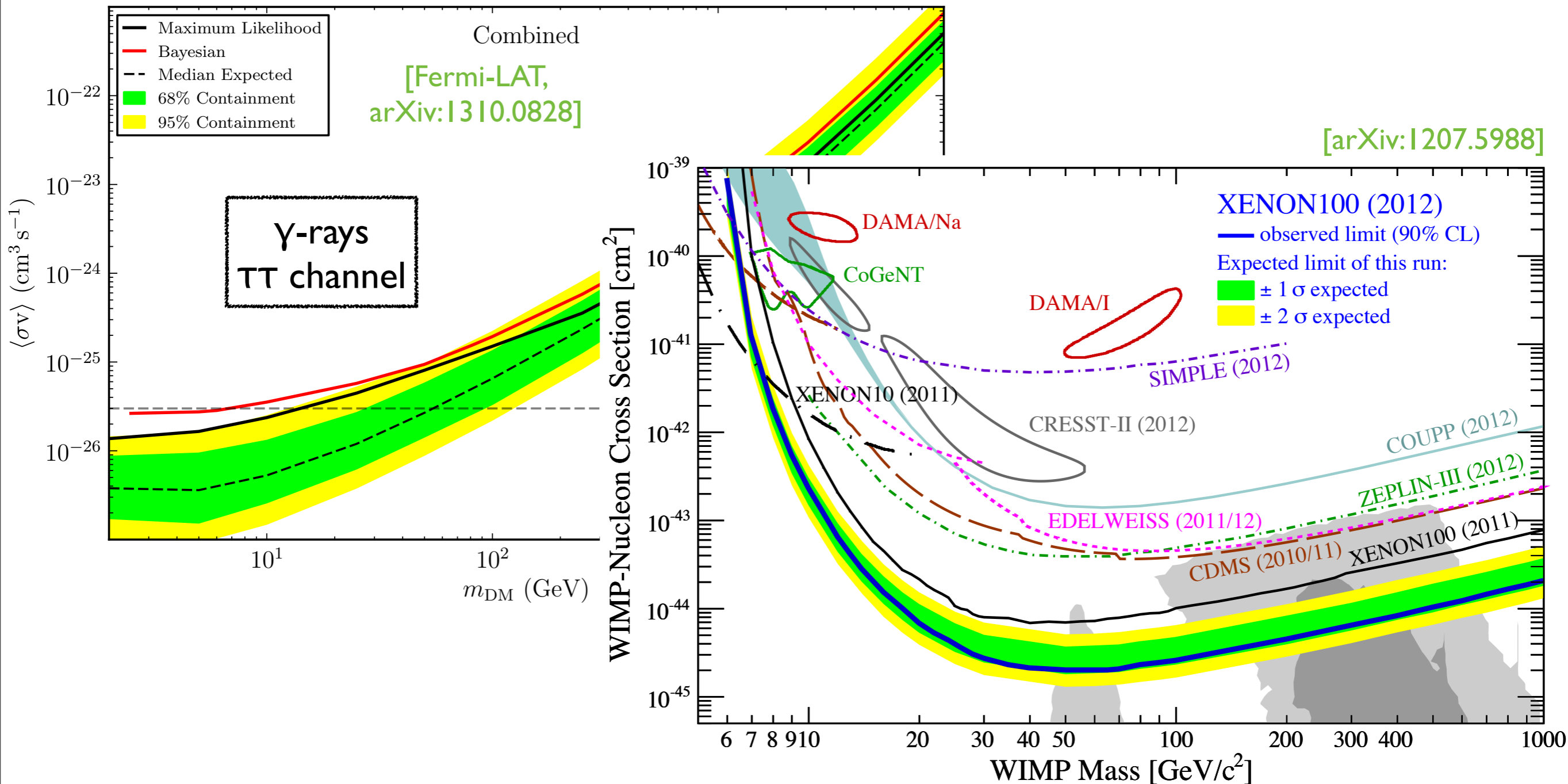
## collider constraints on electroweakinos

- rather light charginos: need to check the LEP and LHC constraints
- invisible Z decays, invisible Higgs decays (LEP and LHC limits, resp.)
- light neutralino 2  $\rightarrow$  LEP limit on  $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_2^0\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$

sleptons and staus: direct searches at LEP and at the LHC

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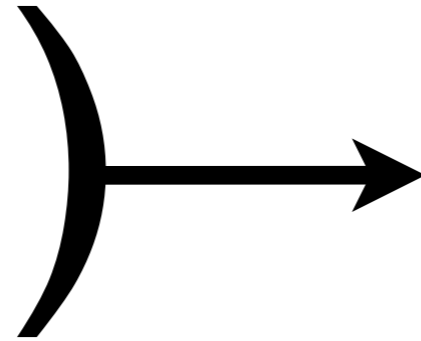
## searches for dark matter



# setup of the analysis

pMSSM framework

$$\begin{aligned} M_3 &= 1 \text{ TeV} \\ M_{Q_3} &= 750 \text{ GeV} \\ M_{U_i} &= M_{D_i} = M_{Q_1} = 2 \text{ TeV} \\ A_b &= 0 \end{aligned}$$



heavy 1st and 2nd generation squarks  
moderately heavy gluino, stop and sbottom

$\tan \beta$	[5, 50]	$M_{L_3}$	[70, 500]
$M_A$	[100, 1000]	$M_{R_3}$	[70, 500]
$M_1$	[10, 70]	$A_\tau$	[-1000, 1000]
$M_2$	[100, 1000]	$M_{L_1}$	[100, 500]
$\mu$	[100, 1000]	$M_{R_1}$	[100, 500]

(all masses in GeV)

variations in the  
Higgs, electroweak and leptonic sectors

$A_t$  tuned in order to have  $m_h \approx 125.5 \text{ GeV}$

we perform flat random scans within micrOMEGAs 3.1, using SuSpect 2.4

# experimental constraints

we impose experimental constraints in the following order:

LEP limits	$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm} > 100 \text{ GeV}$ $m_{\tilde{\tau}_1} > 84 - 88 \text{ GeV}$ (depending on $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$ ) $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_{2,3}^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow Z^{(*)} (\rightarrow q\bar{q}) \tilde{\chi}_1^0) \lesssim 0.05 \text{ pb}$
invisible $Z$ decay	$\Gamma_{Z \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0} < 3 \text{ MeV}$
$\mu$ magnetic moment	$\Delta a_\mu < 4.5 \times 10^{-9}$
flavor constraints	$\text{BR}(b \rightarrow s\gamma) \in [3.03, 4.07] \times 10^{-4}$ $\text{BR}(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) \in [1.5, 4.3] \times 10^{-9}$
Higgs mass	$m_{h^0} \in [122.5, 128.5] \text{ GeV}$
$A^0, H^0 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$	CMS results for $\mathcal{L} = 17 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , $m_h^{\text{max}}$ scenario
Higgs couplings	ATLAS, CMS and Tevatron global fit
relic density	$\Omega h^2 < 0.131$ or $\Omega h^2 \in [0.107, 0.131]$
direct detection	XENON100 upper limit
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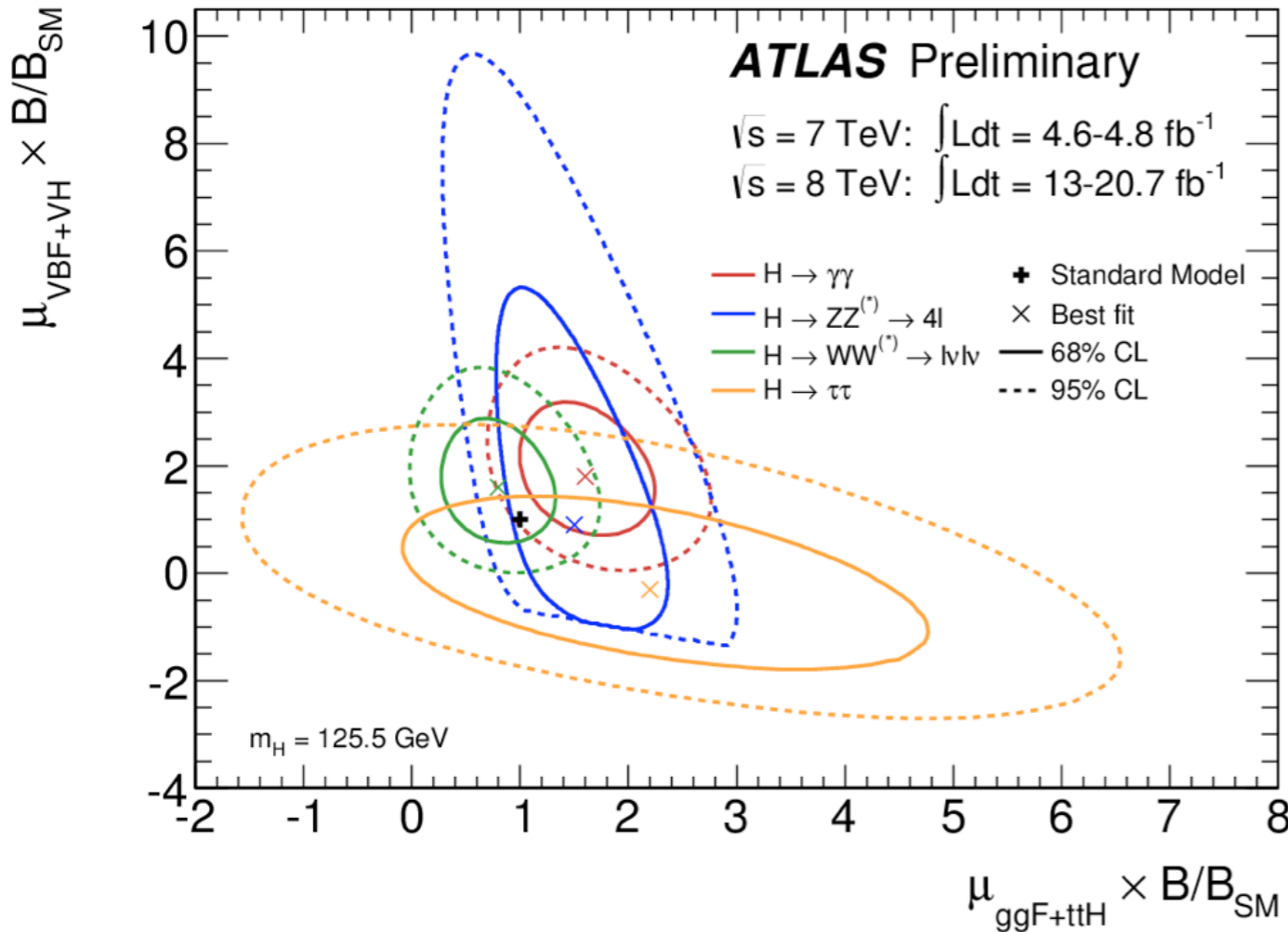
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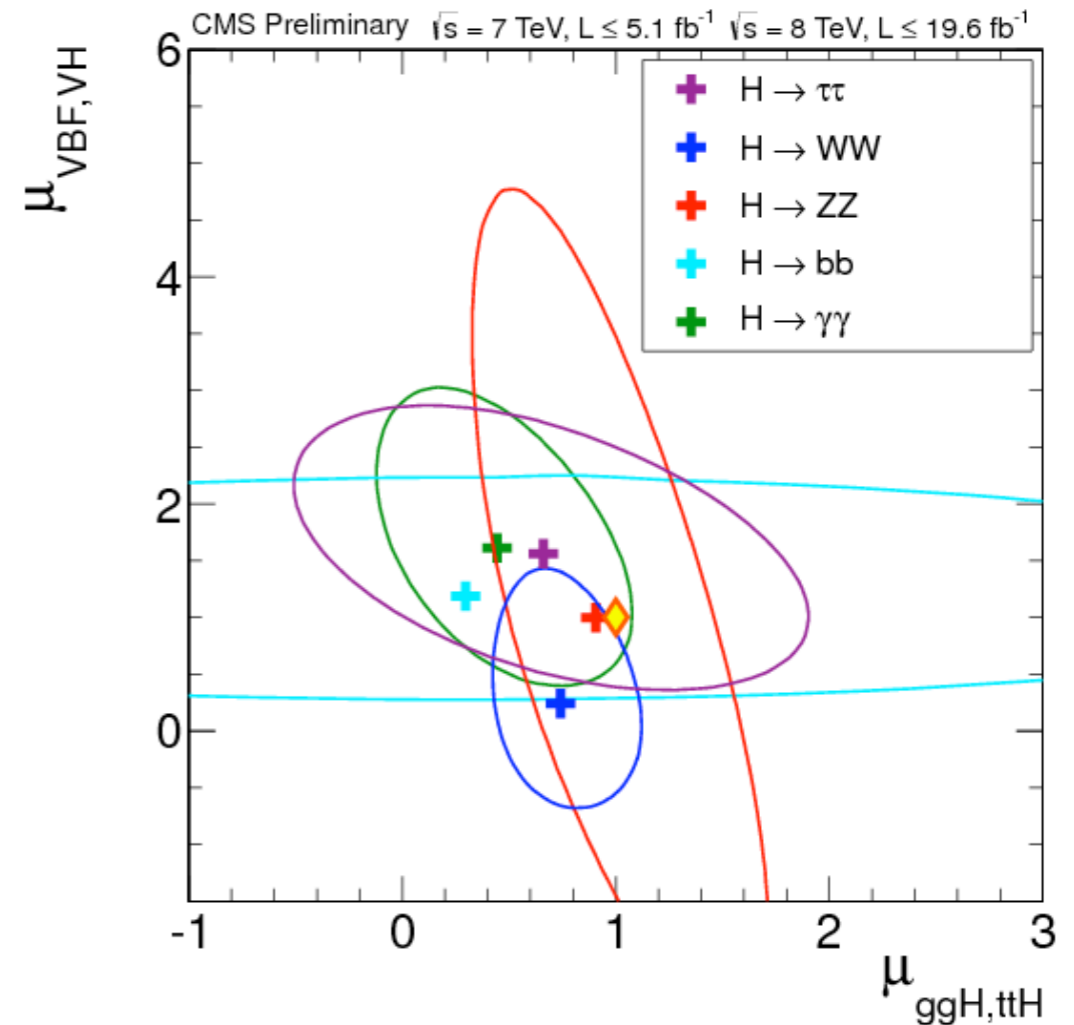


# Higgs signal strengths

[ATLAS-CONF-2013-034]



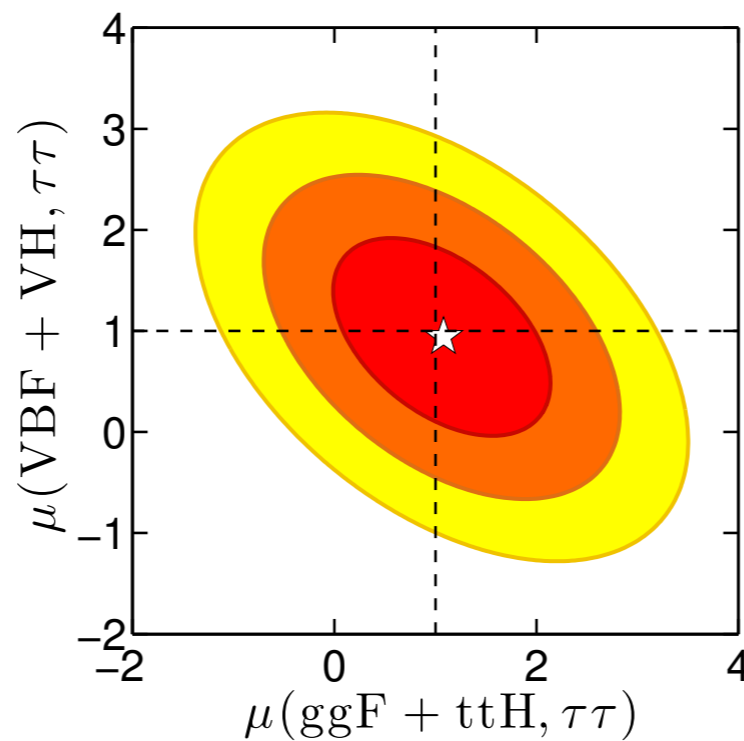
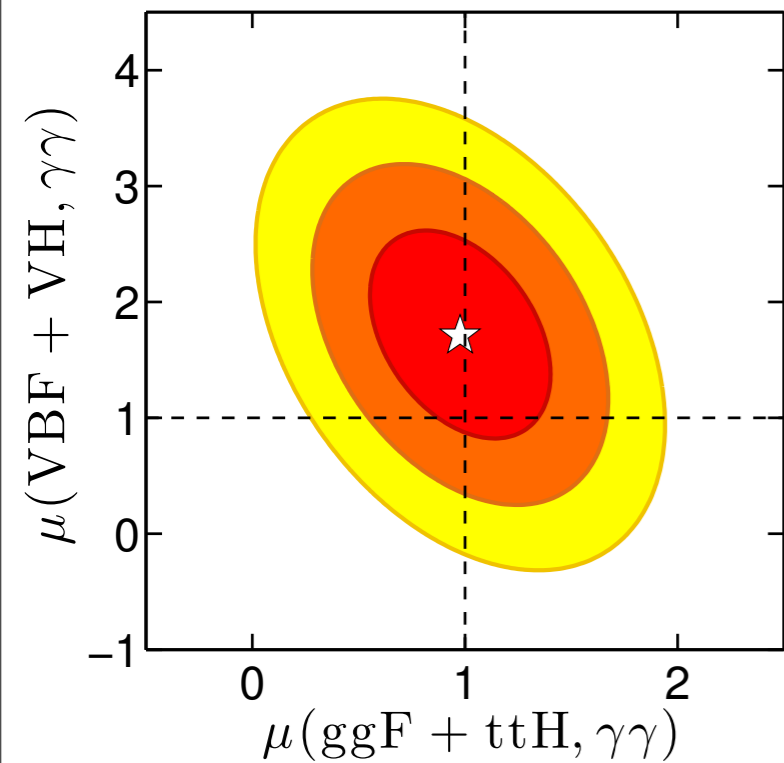
[CMS-PAS-HIG-13-005]



in order to construct a likelihood, one can:

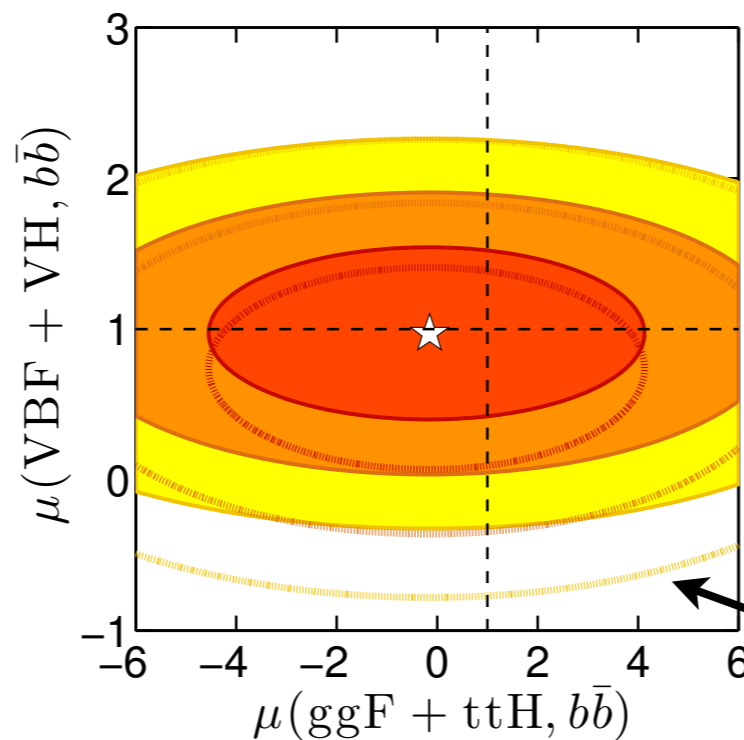
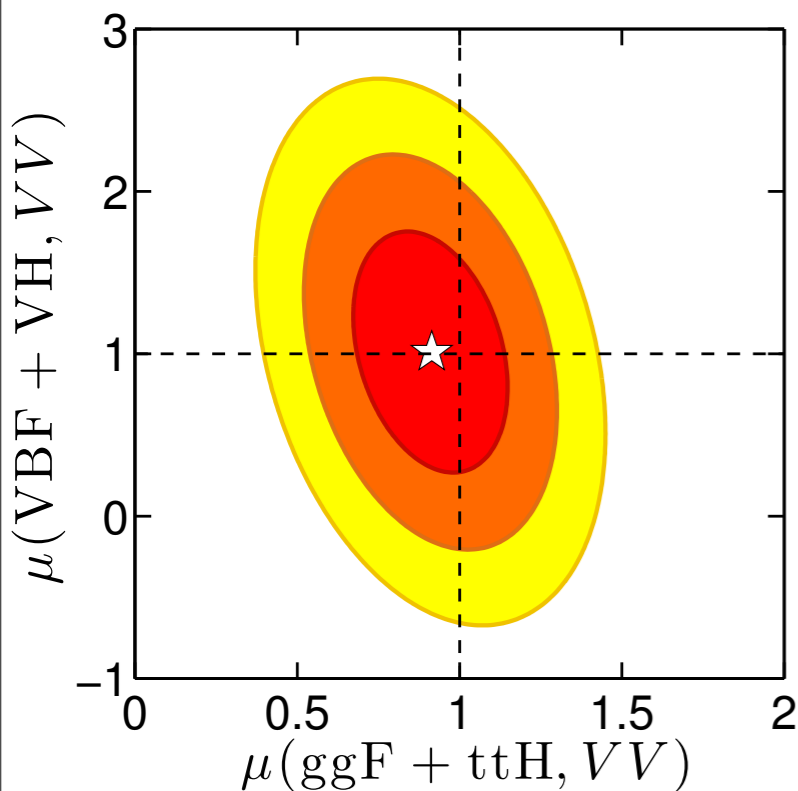
- i) fit a 2D Gaussian using the 68% CL contour for each final state
- ii) combine the measurements from ATLAS and CMS final state by final state

# combined 2D $\mu$ plots



[Bélanger, BD, Ellwanger, Gunion, Kraml, arXiv:1306.2941]

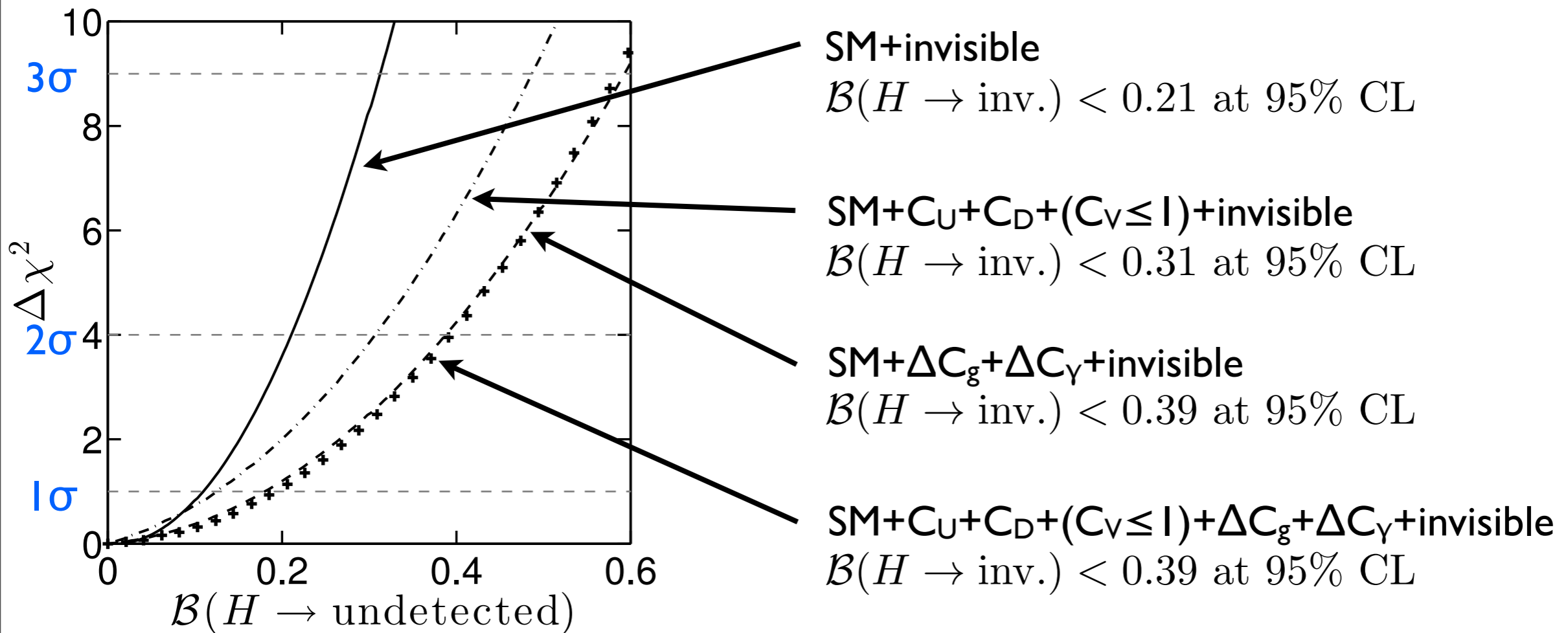
include all results up to the LHCP 2013 conference



we require consistency at the  $2\sigma$  level for each of the four effective decay modes

# invisible decays of the Higgs boson

[Belanger, BD, Ellwanger, Gunion, Kraml,  
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**global fit to the Higgs properties: indirect constraint on  $H \rightarrow$  invisible**

(more constraining than direct searches for invisible decays at the moment)

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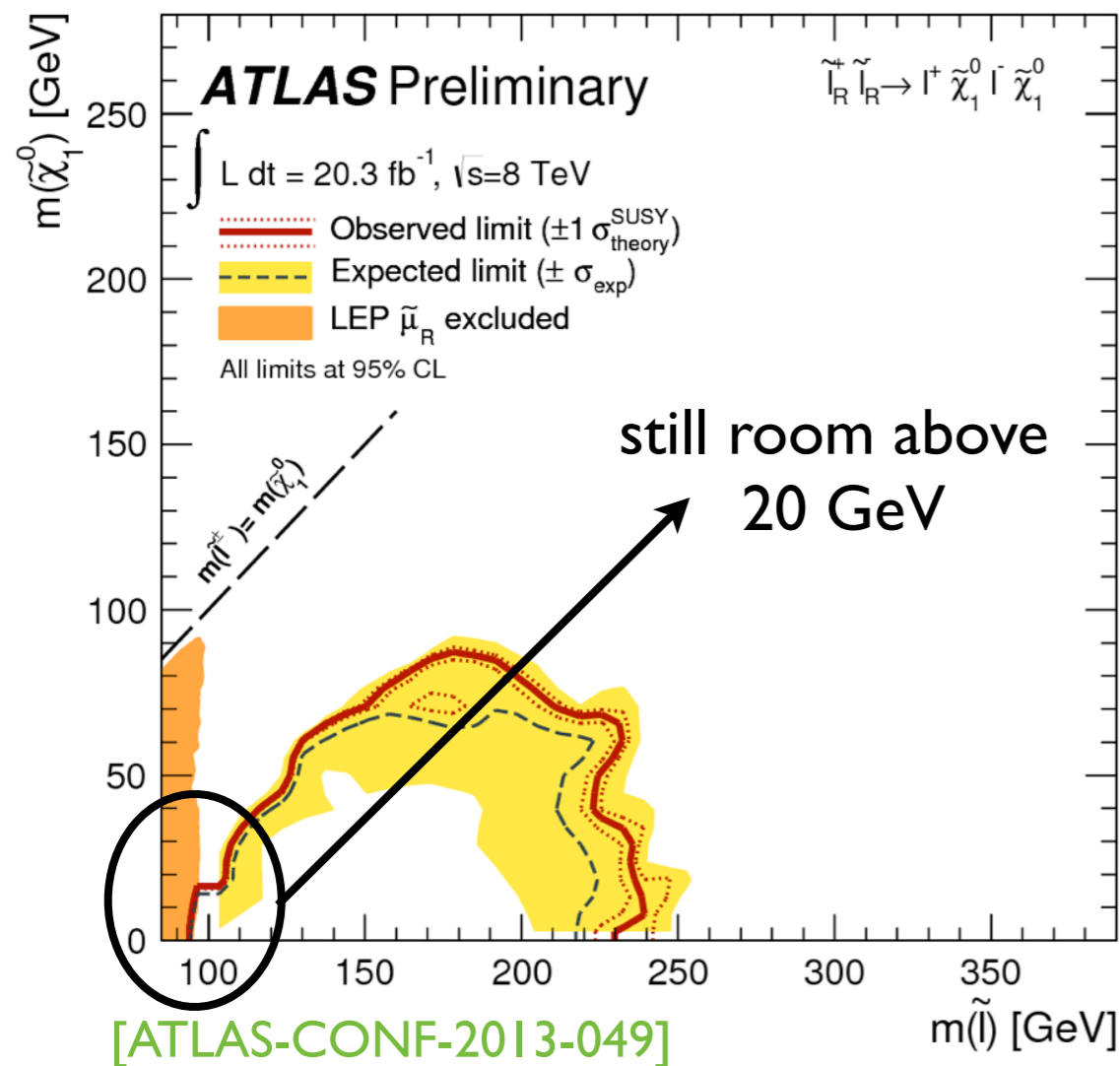
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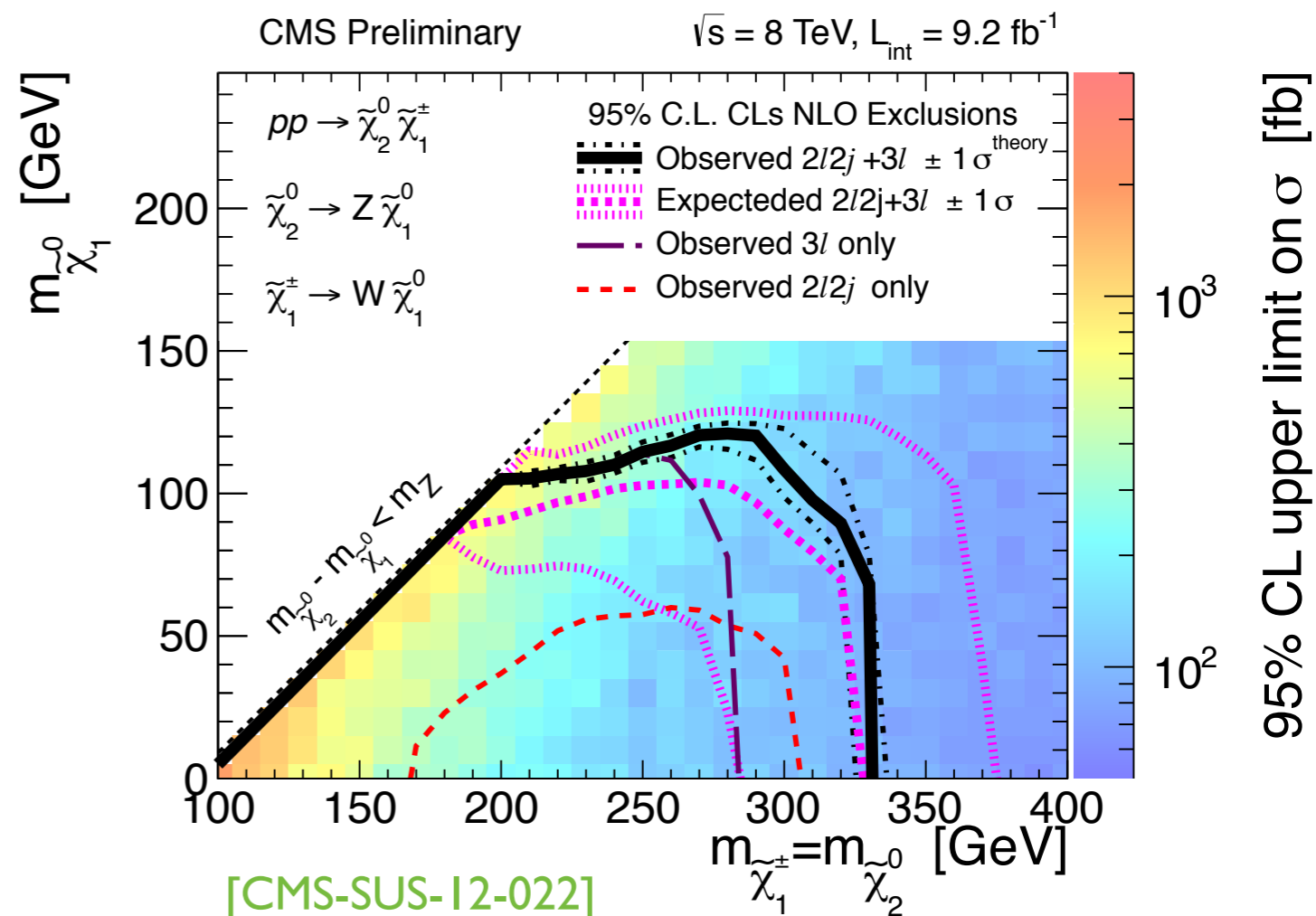
# LHC searches — implementation

decomposition of a pMSSM point into simplified models, then compare to the limits on  $(\sigma \times \text{BR})$   
 → see Suchita Kulkarni's talk on SmodelS earlier today

direct RH selectron/smuon production



chargino-neutralino → WZ + MET

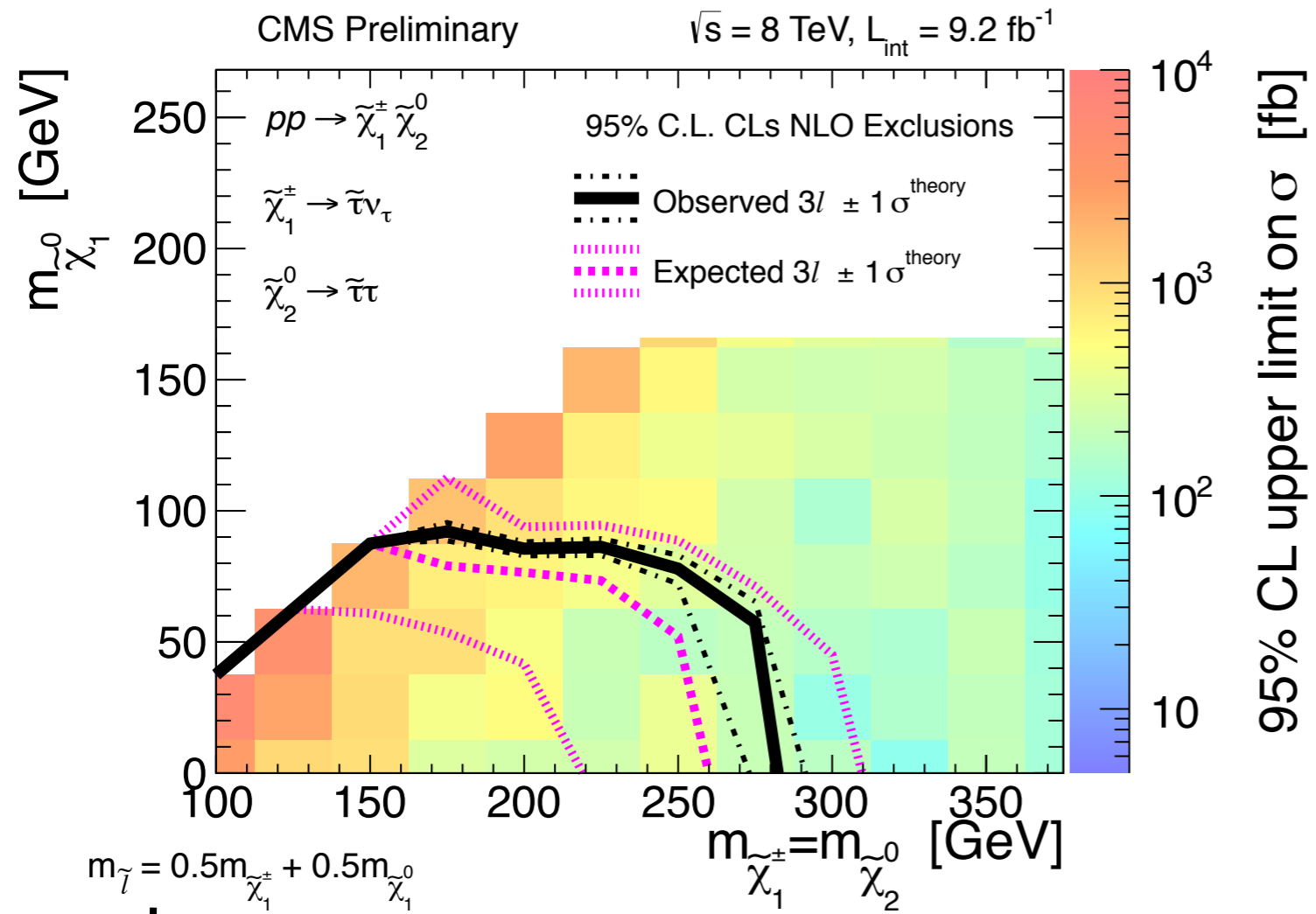
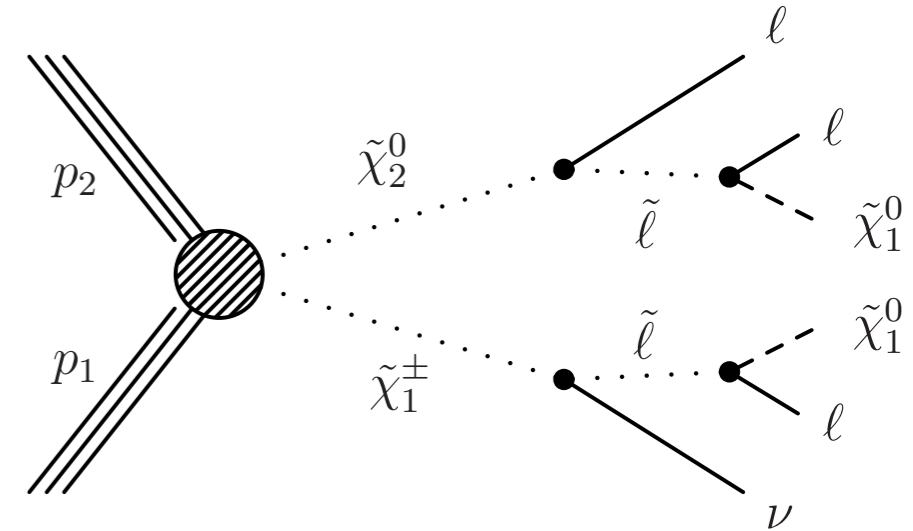


black line overestimates the limit  
 “hidden” assumption:  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0, \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$  wino-like

# LHC searches — implementation

there are **no limits on direct stau production** at the LHC  
 but one has to consider **intermediate stau decays** from EWinos

[CMS-SUS-12-022]

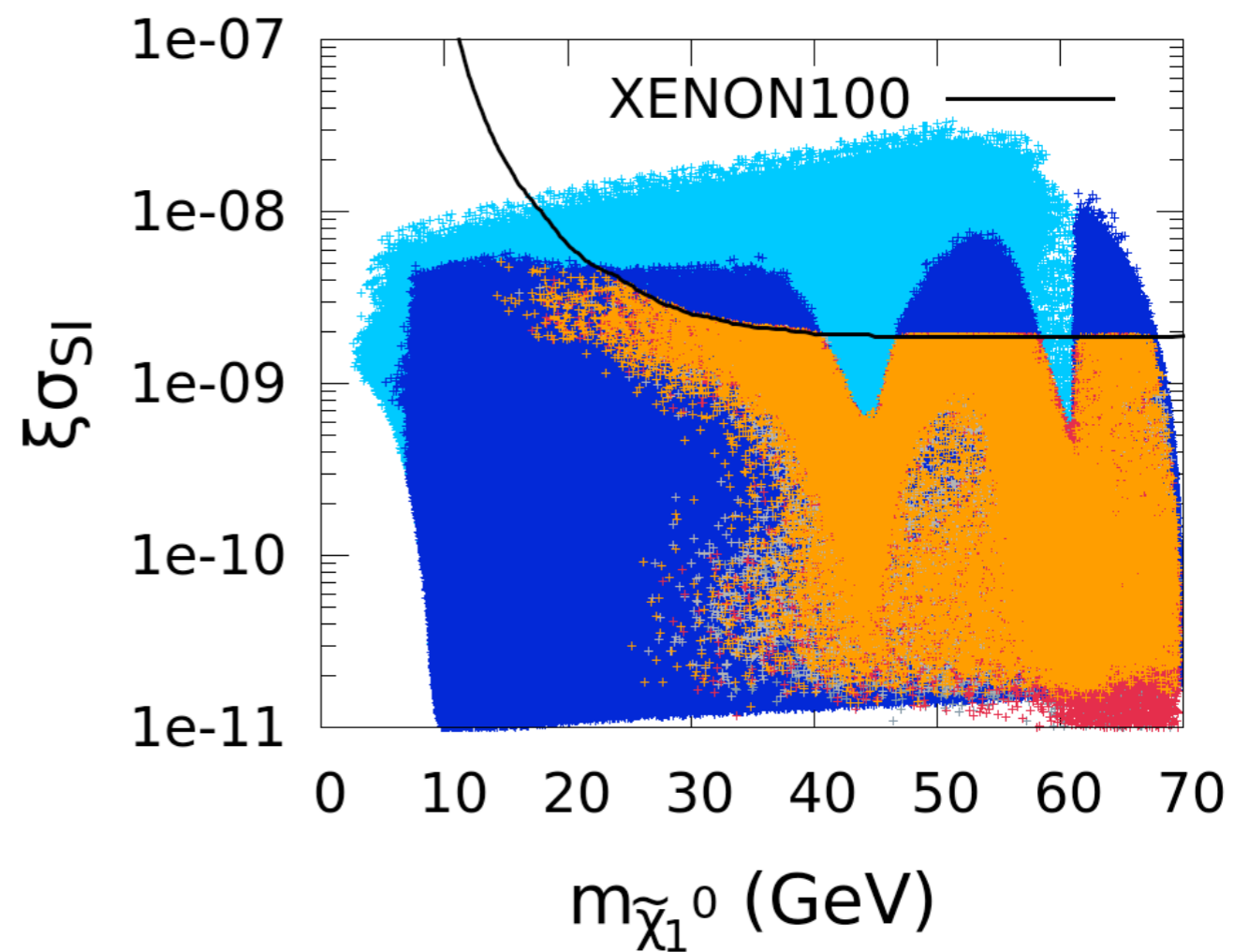
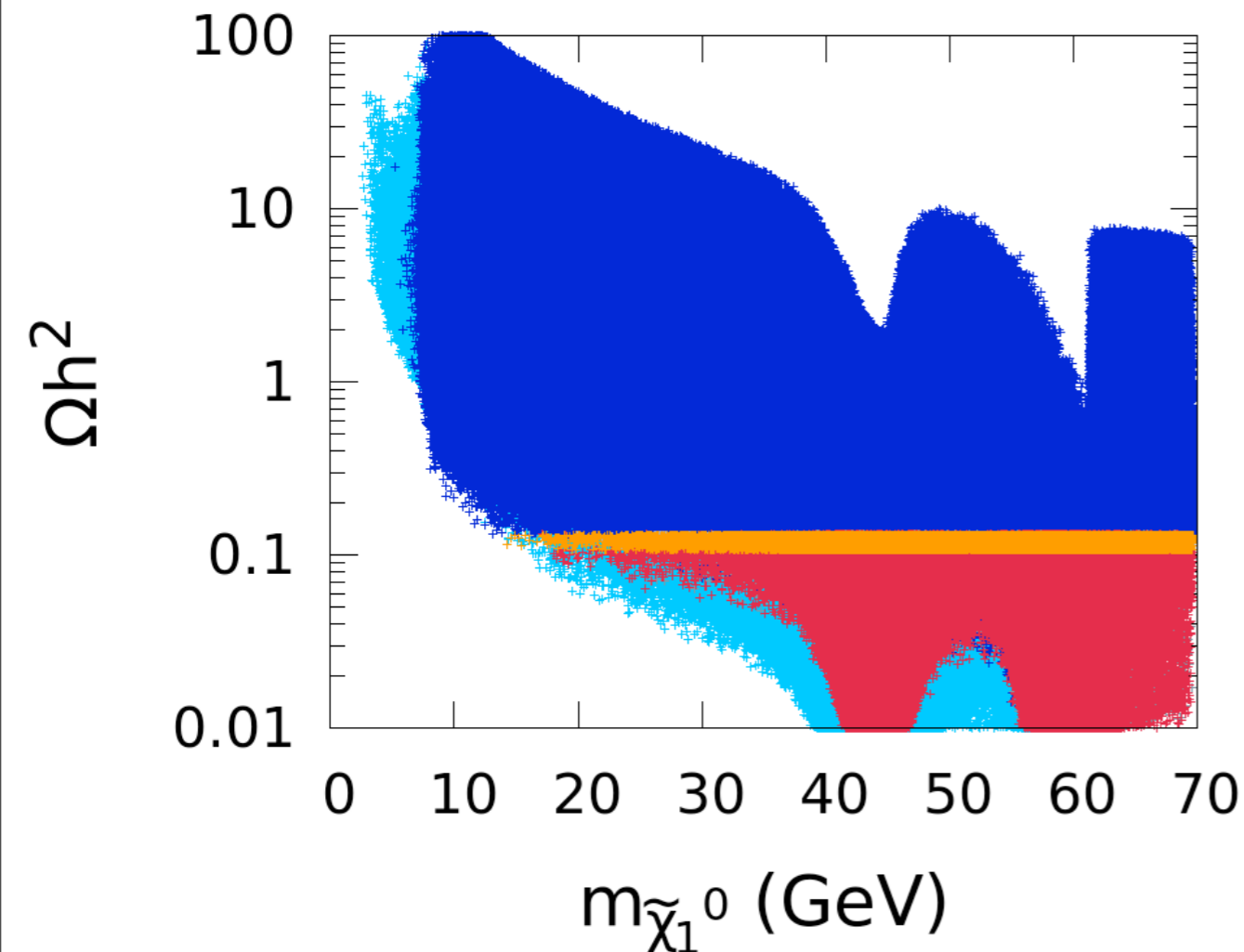


also ATLAS results on  $2\tau + \text{MET}$   
 but the only interpretation  
 available is for LH staus

↳ this assumption is problematic — we would need other values of the stau mass  
 we extrapolate the limit for other stau masses from a similar measurement

# results

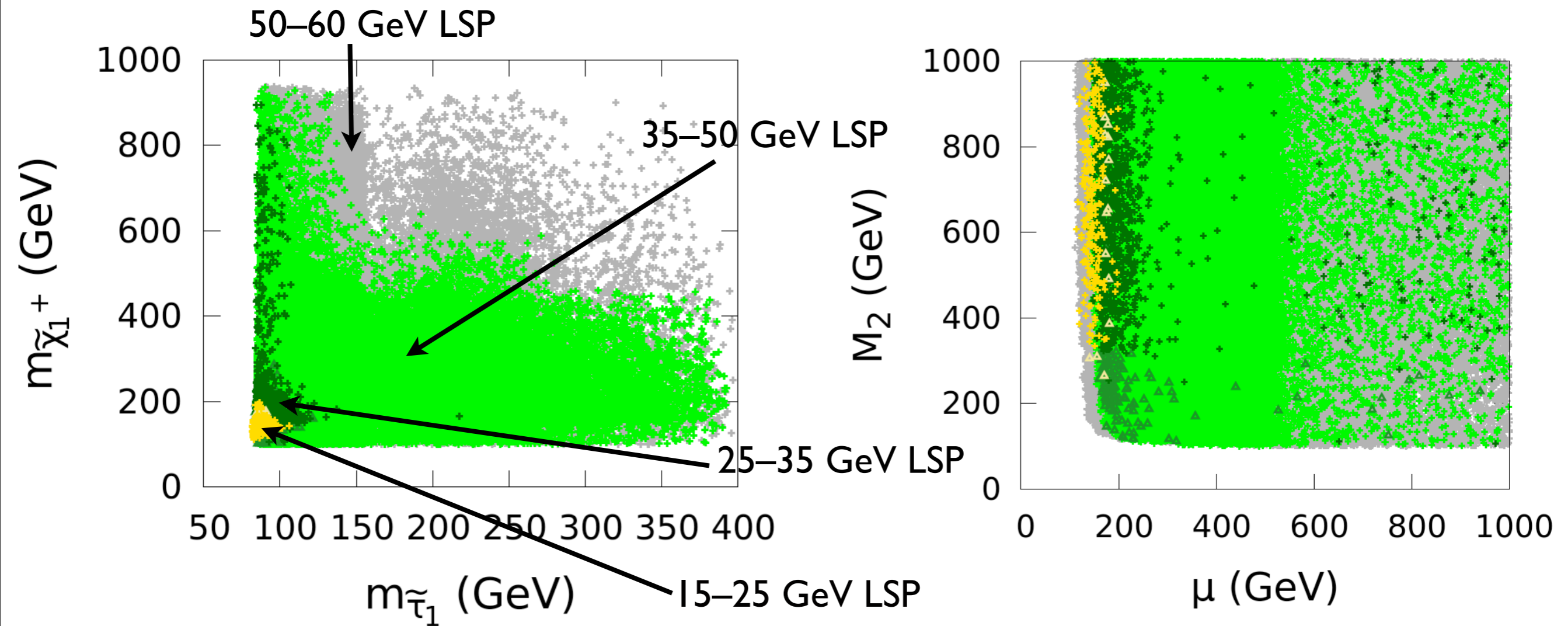
# relic density and direct detection



- upper bound on the relic density  $\rightarrow$  lower bound on the neutralino mass of  $\sim 15$  GeV  
not possible to have 8–10 GeV dark matter in this context
- direct detection could soon tell us more on the low mass region (LUX results tomorrow?)

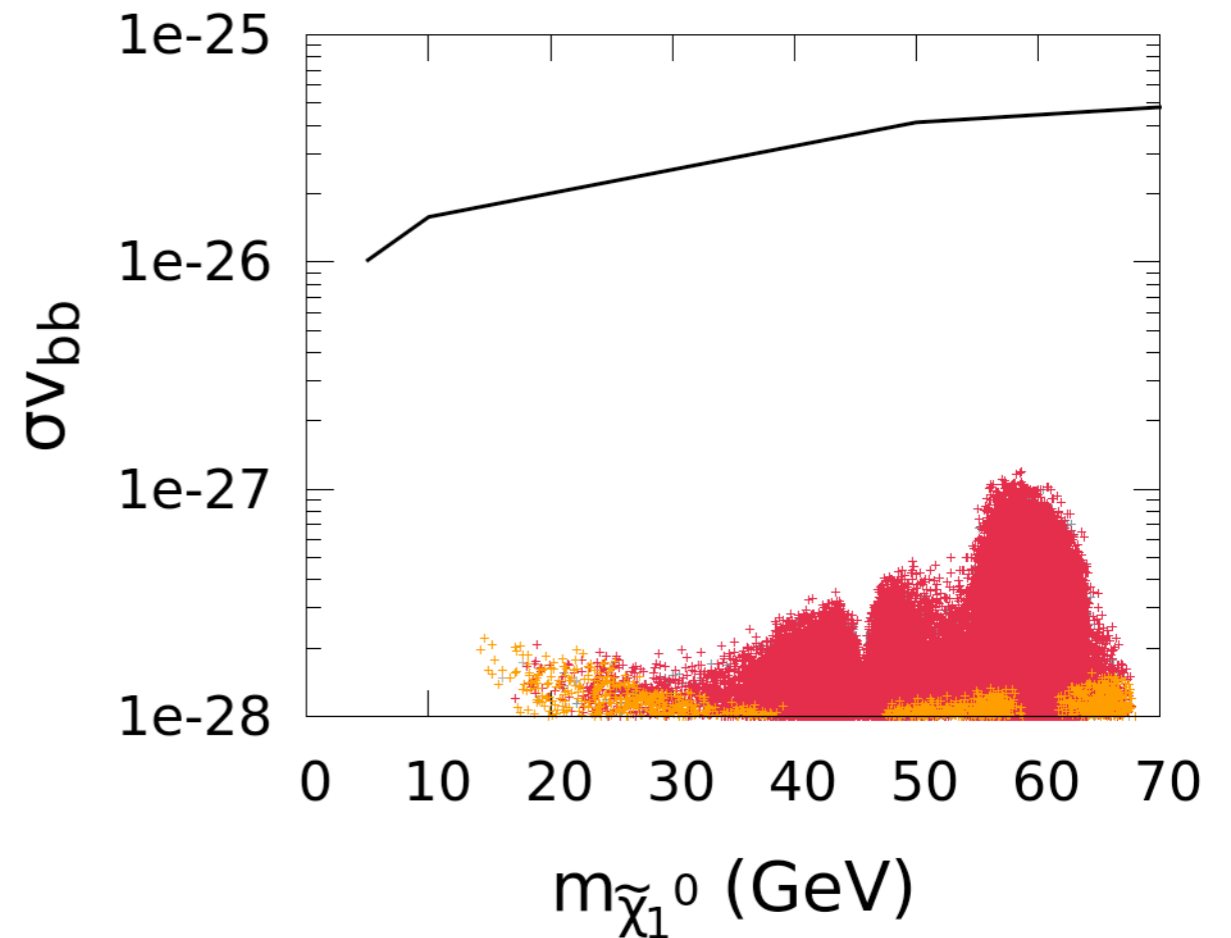
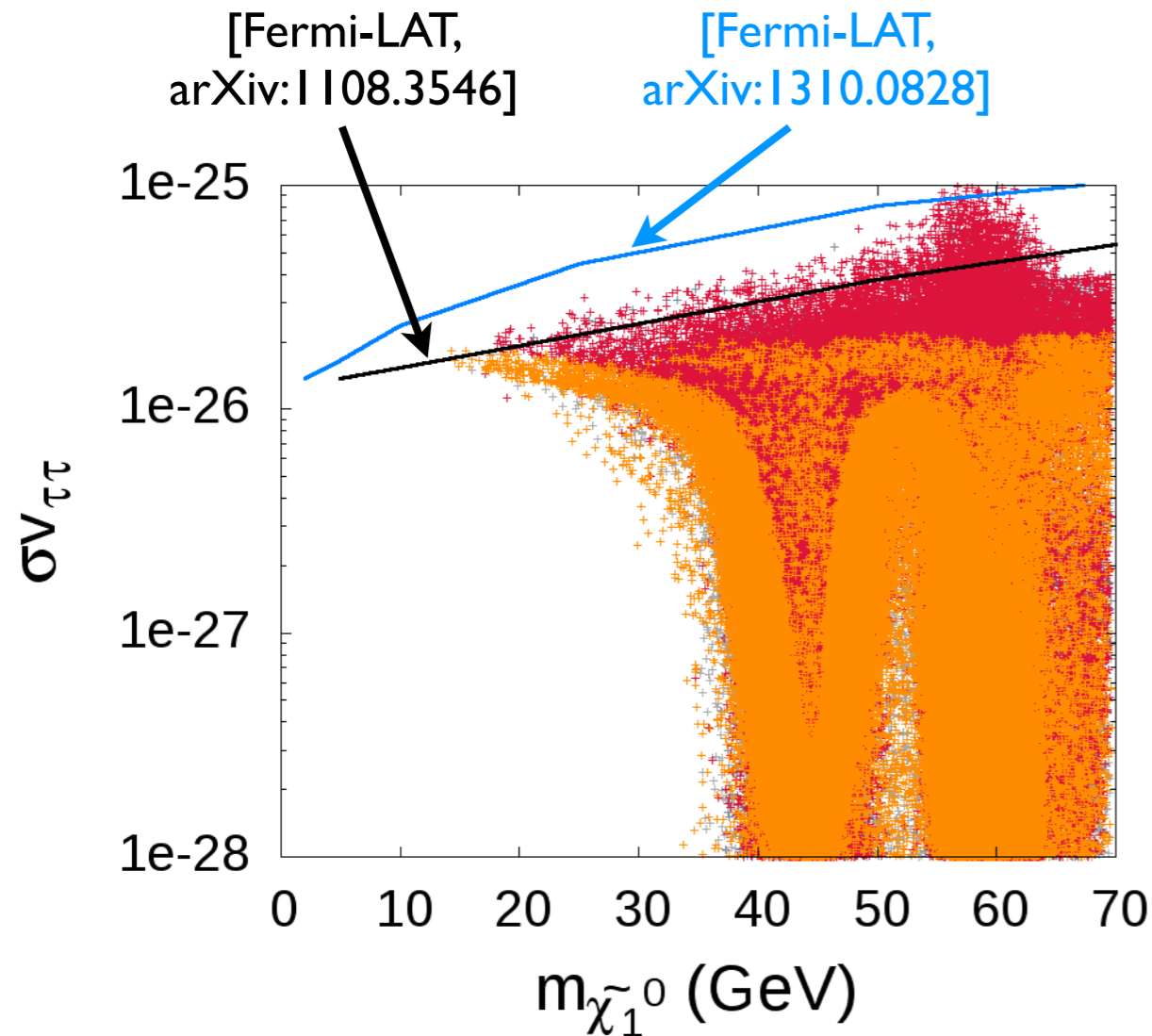


# charginos and staus



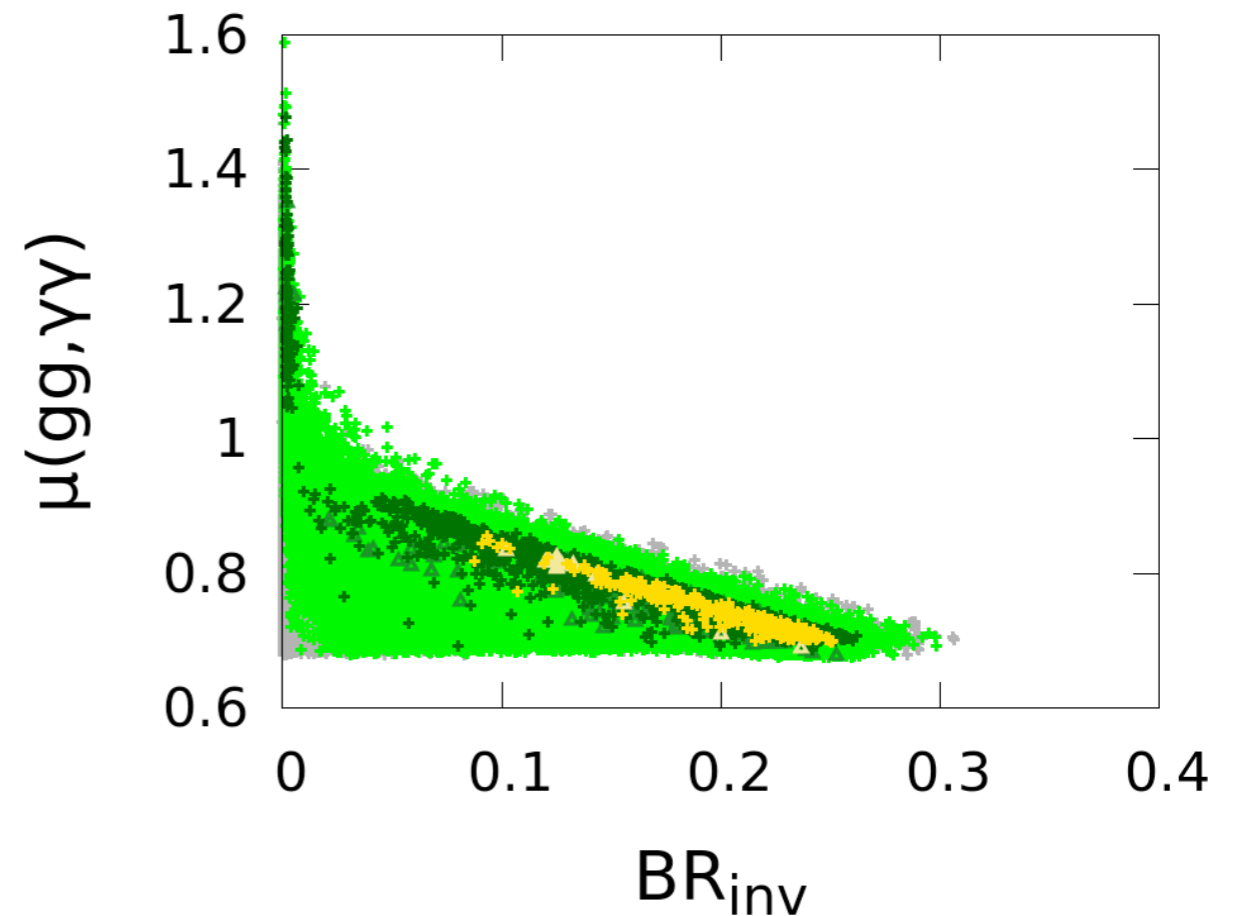
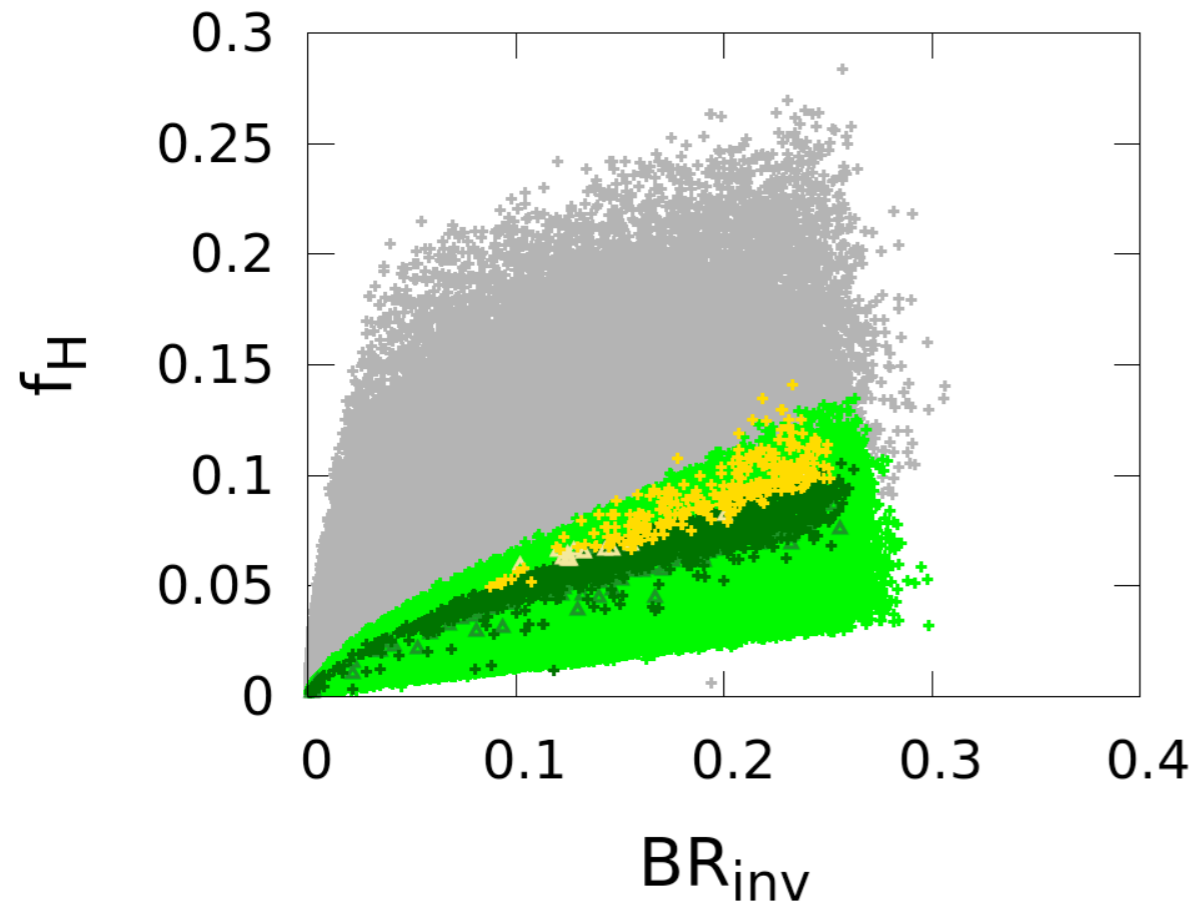
- light region only possible for very light charginos ( $\approx 200$  GeV) and staus ( $\approx 100$  GeV)  
this is relaxed for higher masses, especially above 35 GeV (Z resonance)
- lightest chargino and neutralino 2 are mostly higgsino-like (and not excluded by direct searches)

# indirect detection



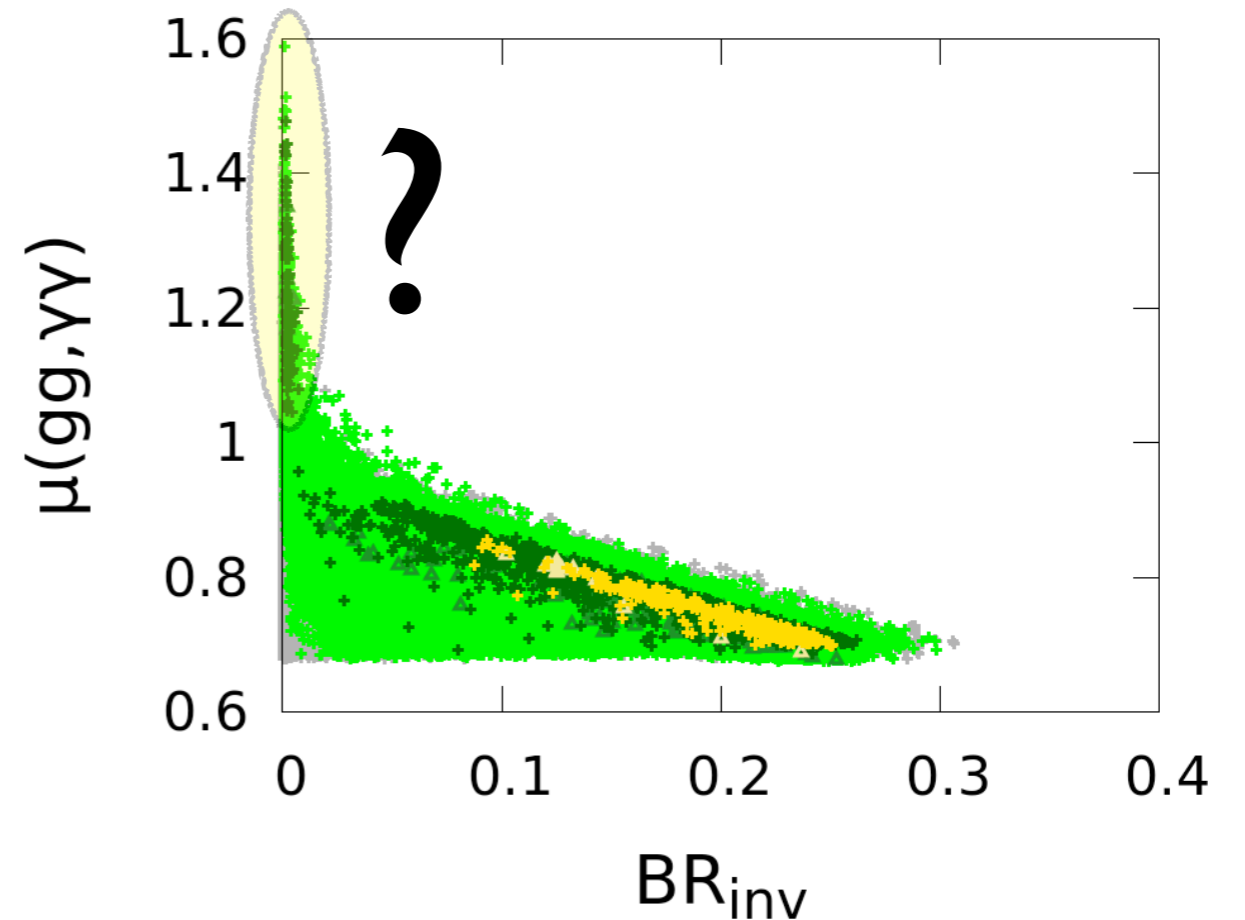
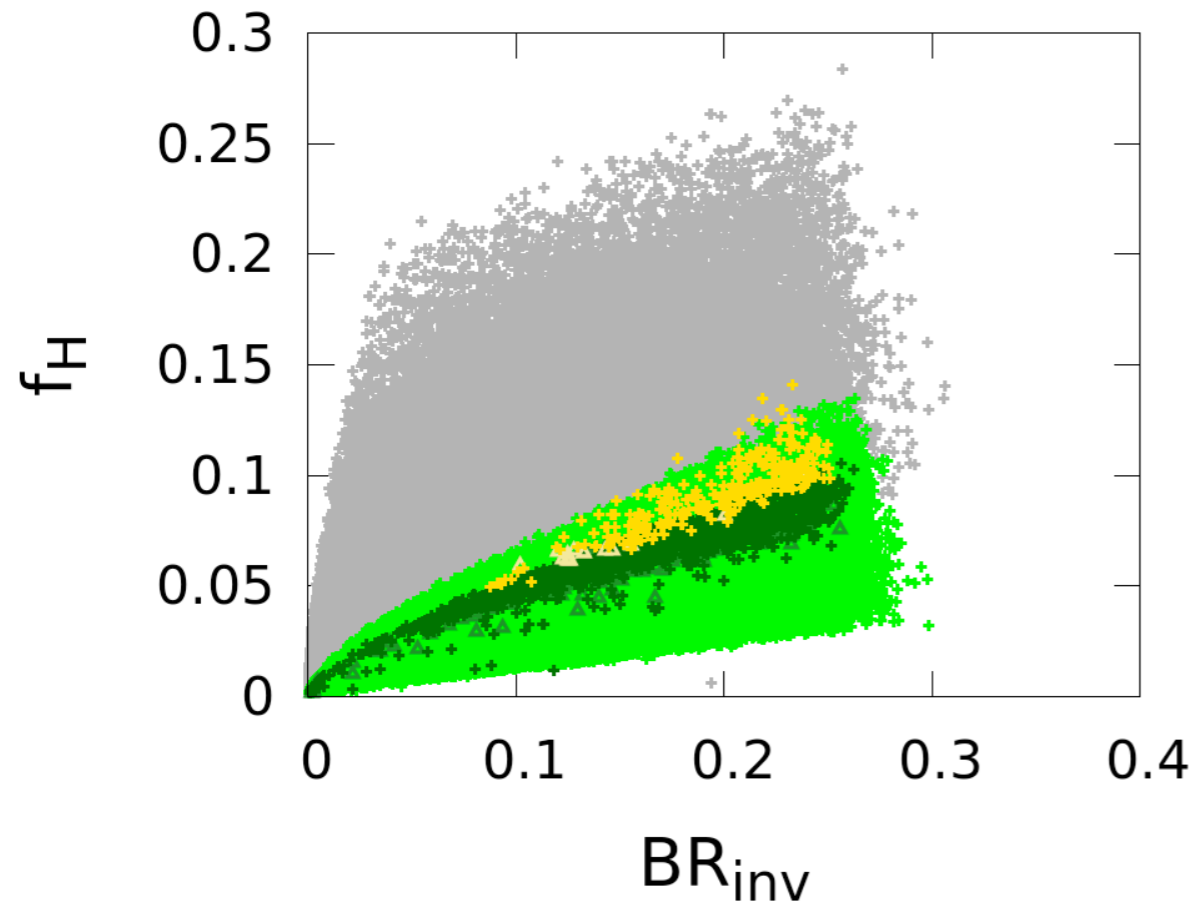
- update of the Fermi-LAT analysis on dwarf spheroidal galaxies: weaker limit (excess mainly driven by ultra-faint dwarf galaxies)  
→ no tension with indirect detection in the low-mass region
- in the bb channel the prediction is still two orders of magnitude below the experimental limit

# invisible Higgs decays



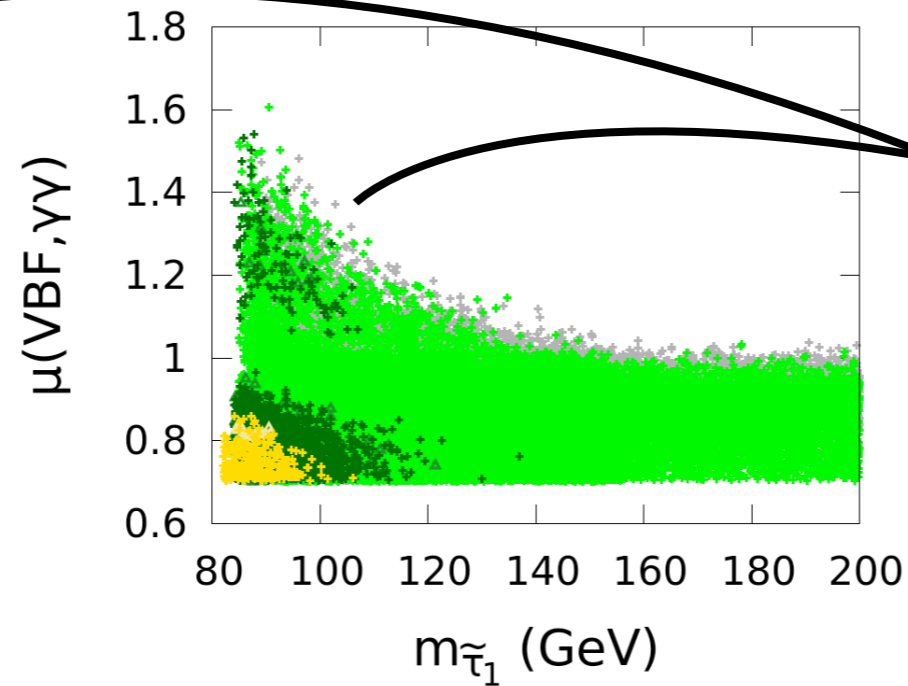
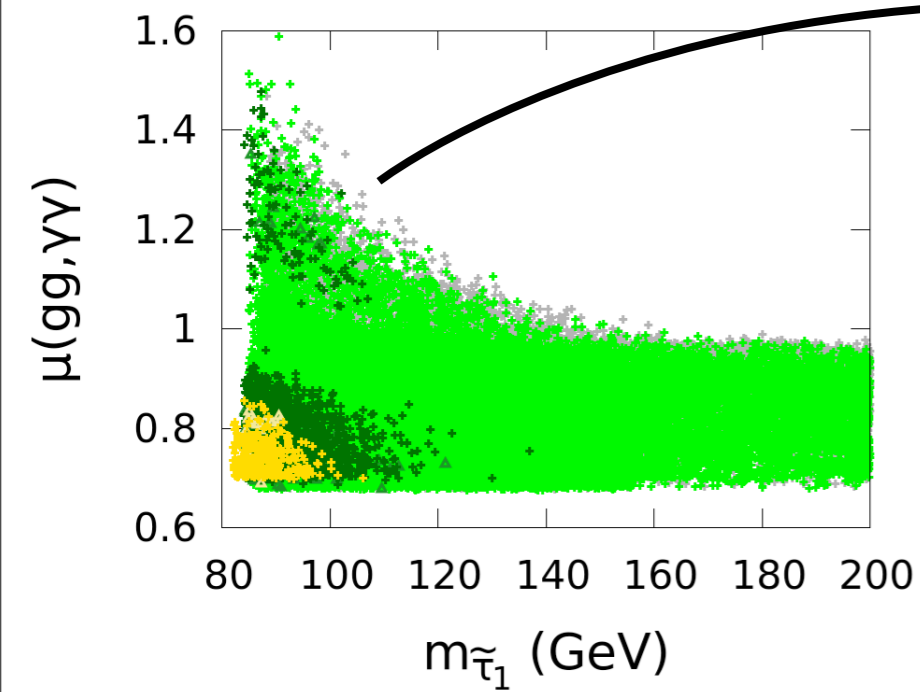
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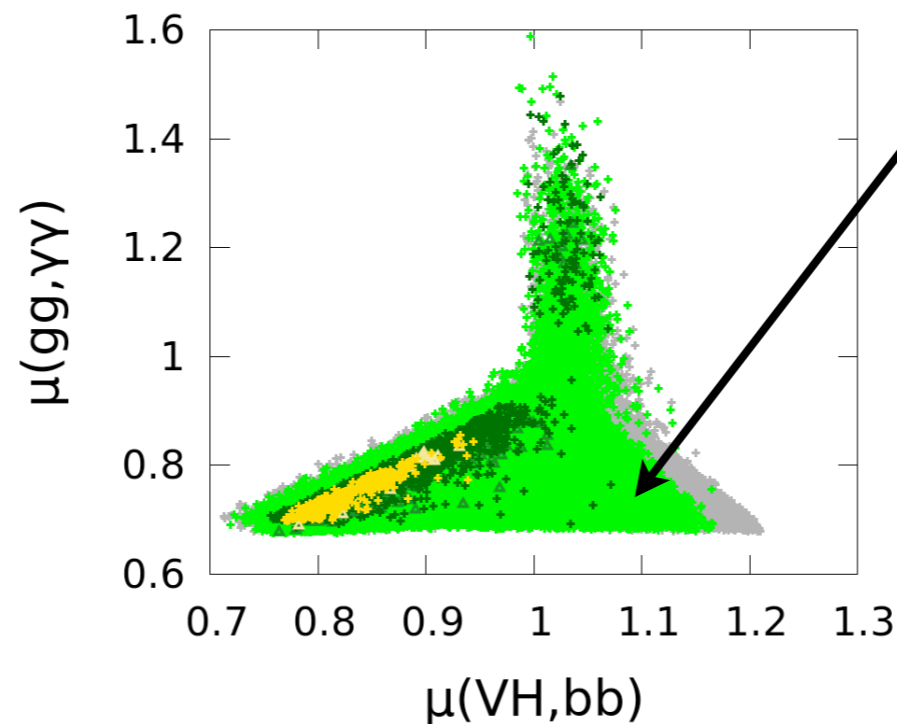
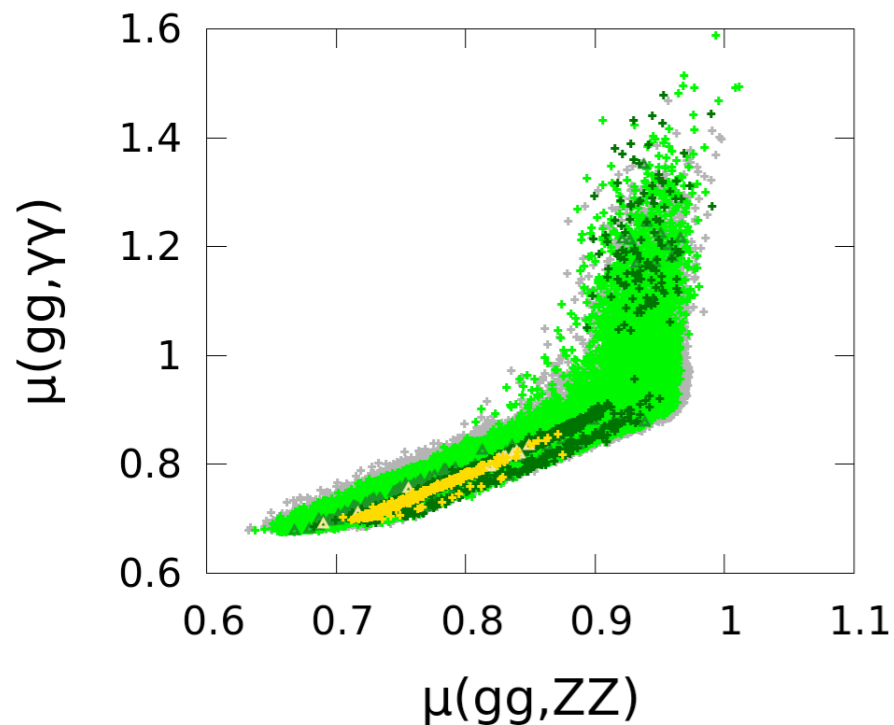


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# Higgs signal strengths



light, maximally mixed staus  
(see [Carena et al, arXiv:1205.5842])  
in this case  $\mu \gtrsim 400$  GeV  
and light selectrons/smuons



high  $\mu$  (no  $BR_{inv}$ )  
and low  $M_A$ , high  $\tan \beta$

$$g_{hbb} = \sin(\beta - \alpha) - \tan \beta \cos(\beta - \alpha)$$

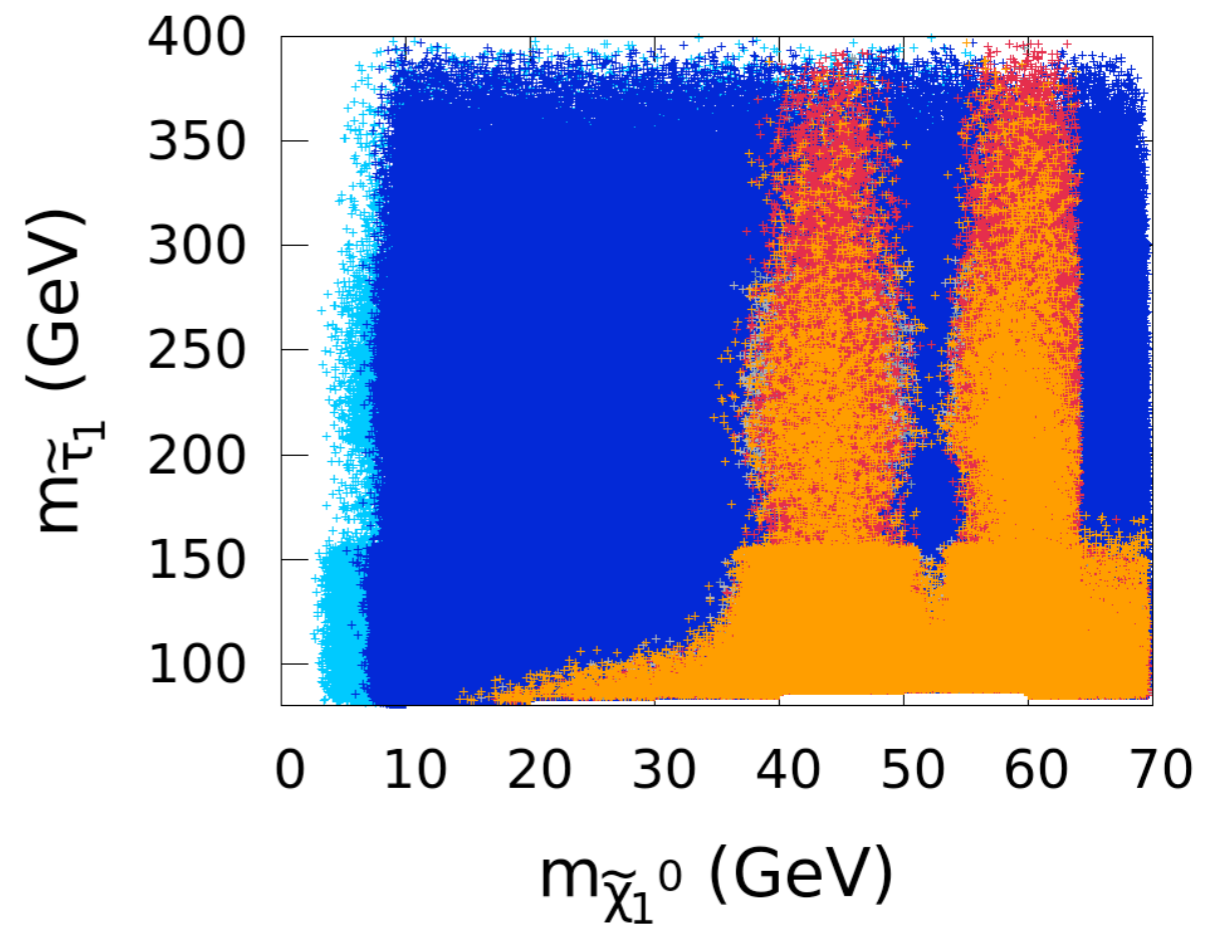
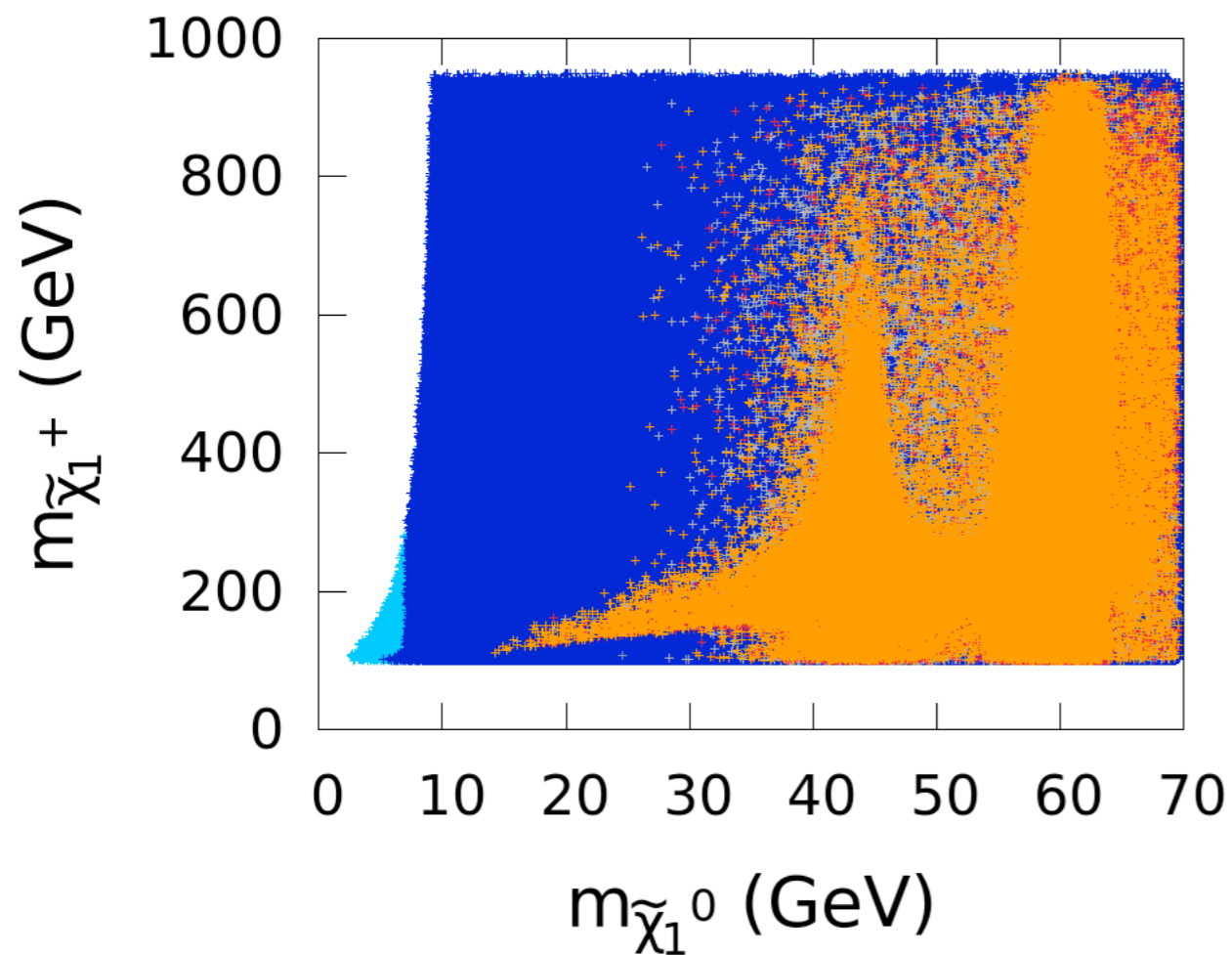
→ promising way to probe  
light neutralino scenarios

# conclusion

- ◆ no efficient annihilation mechanism for 8–10 GeV neutralino dark matter  
→ difficult to accommodate with direct detection hints at low mass  
(but experimental situation unclear: stay tuned)
- ◆ low-mass neutralino ( $\sim 15\text{--}35$  GeV) can be accommodated with light staus and/or charginos  
this is under pressure by the LHC SUSY searches but still allowed
- ◆ significant deviations in the couplings of the Higgs → promising way to probe such scenarios

# Backup slides

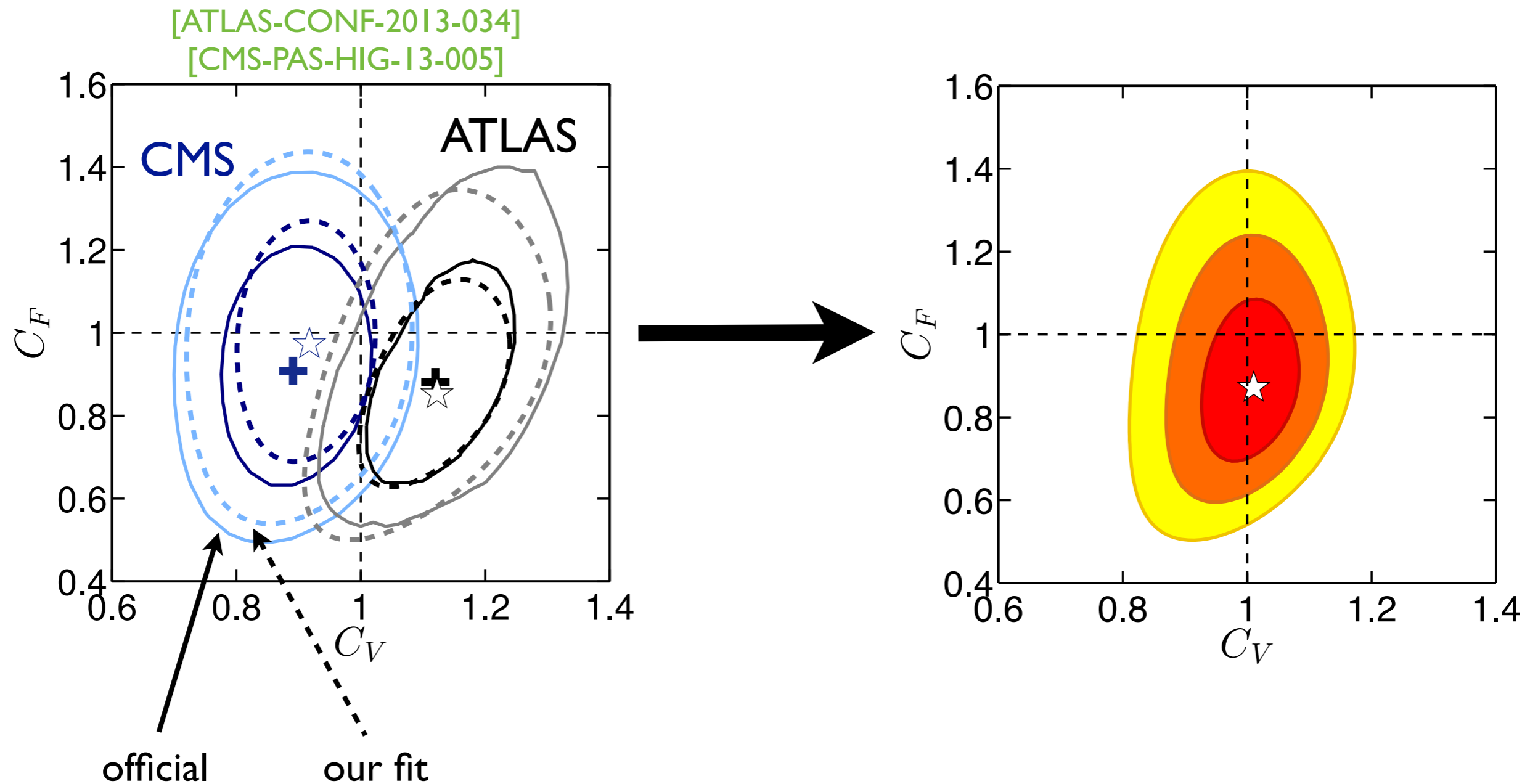
# charginos and staus again



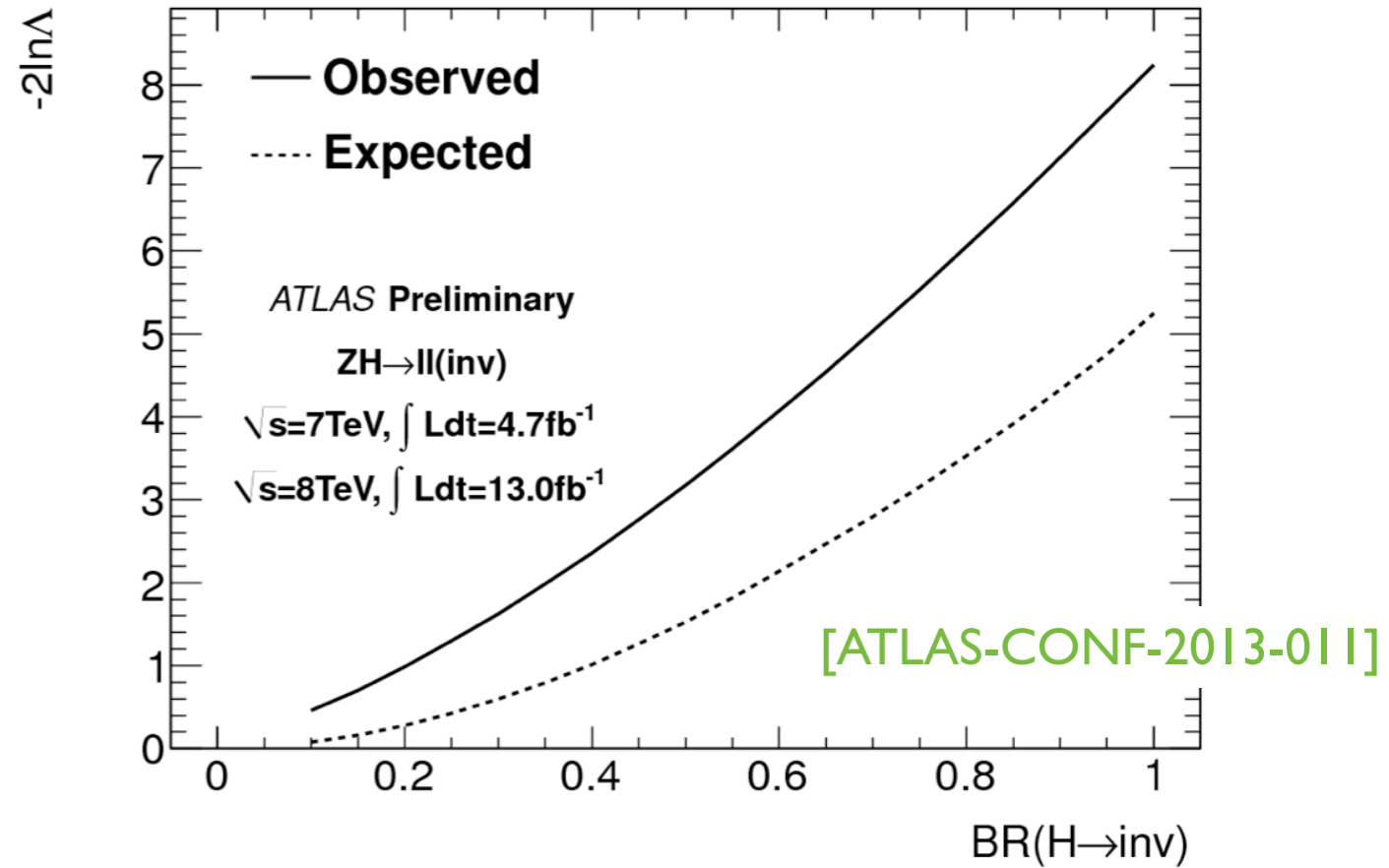
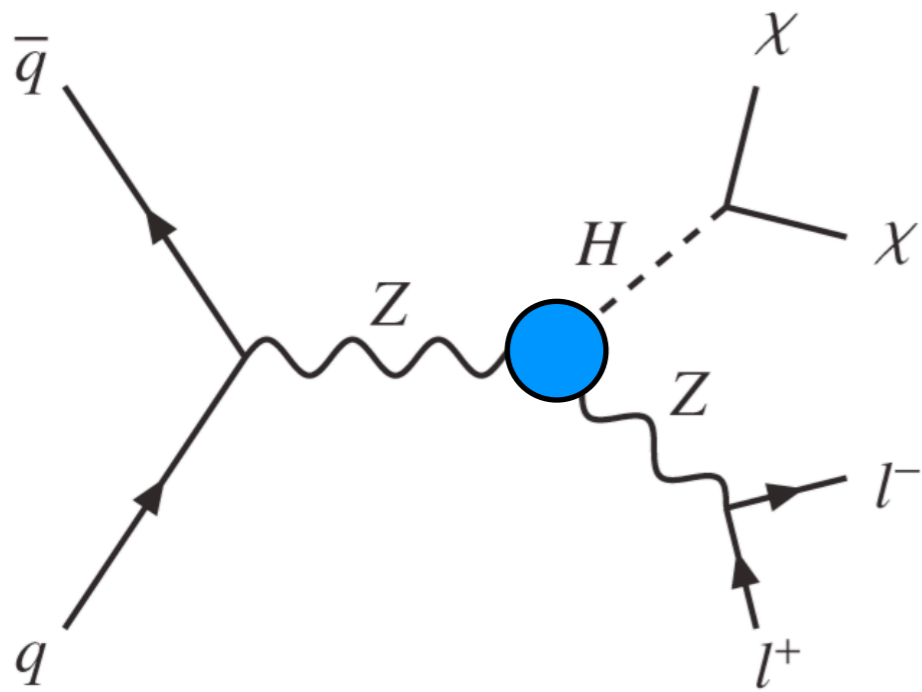


# validation with ATLAS and CMS

validation with benchmark scenarios of the ATLAS and CMS couplings fits



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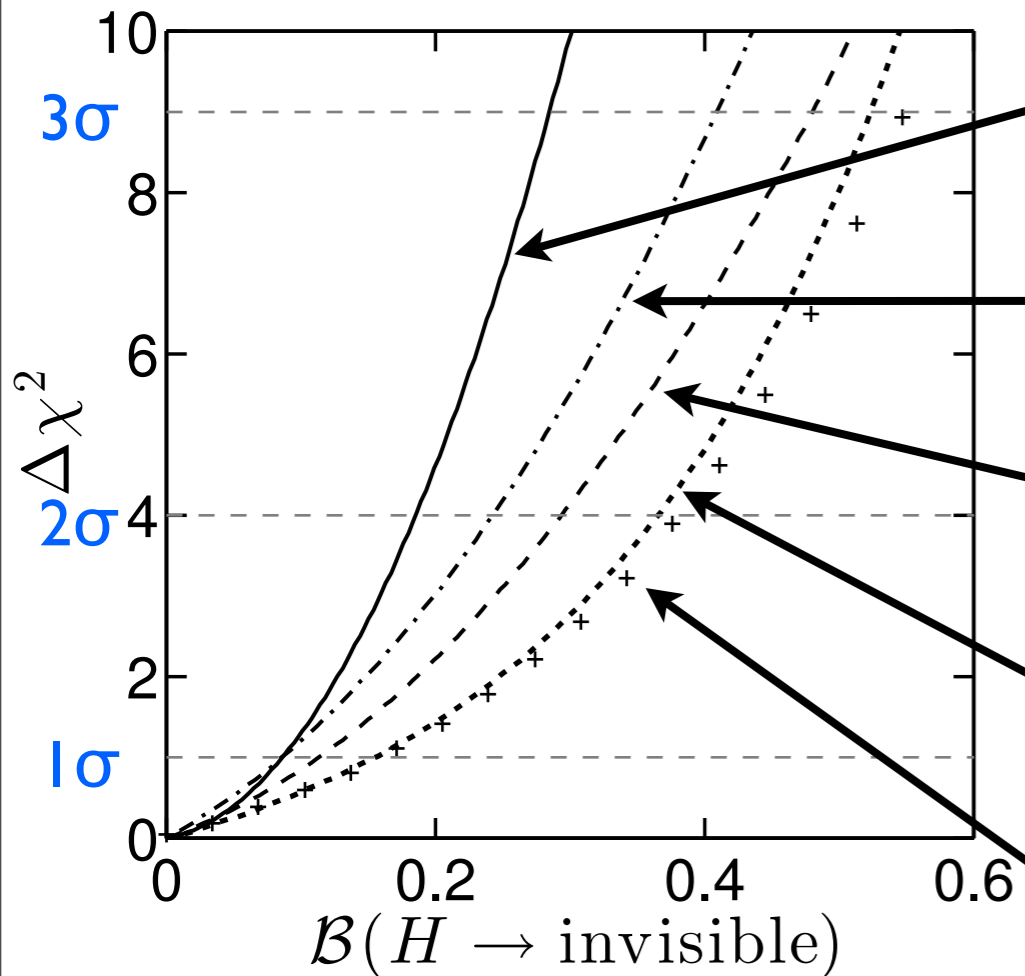


$$C_V^2 \mathcal{B} H \rightarrow \dots < \dots$$

see also CMS limit on  $ZH \rightarrow ll + \text{invisible}$  [HIG-13-018]  
and on  $VBF \rightarrow \text{invisible}$  [HIG-13-013]

# invisible decays of the Higgs boson

[arXiv:1302.5694, arXiv:1306.2941]



SM+invisible

$\mathcal{B}(H \rightarrow \text{inv.}) < 0.19$  at 95% CL

SM+ $C_U+C_D+(C_V \leq 1)$ +invisible

$\mathcal{B}(H \rightarrow \text{inv.}) < 0.24$  at 95% CL

SM+ $\Delta C_g+\Delta C_\gamma$ +invisible

$\mathcal{B}(H \rightarrow \text{inv.}) < 0.29$  at 95% CL

SM+ $C_U+C_D+C_V$ +invisible

$\mathcal{B}(H \rightarrow \text{inv.}) < 0.36$  at 95% CL

SM+ $C_U+C_D+C_V+\Delta C_g+\Delta C_\gamma$ +invisible

$\mathcal{B}(H \rightarrow \text{inv.}) < 0.38$  at 95% CL

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