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Closing in on the Tip of the cMSSM Stau Coannihilation Strip

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**What is SUSY?
What is the cMSSM?**

What is the co-annihilation strip?

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How does one probe this theory? — accelerator experiments

What are the LHC detectors capable of?

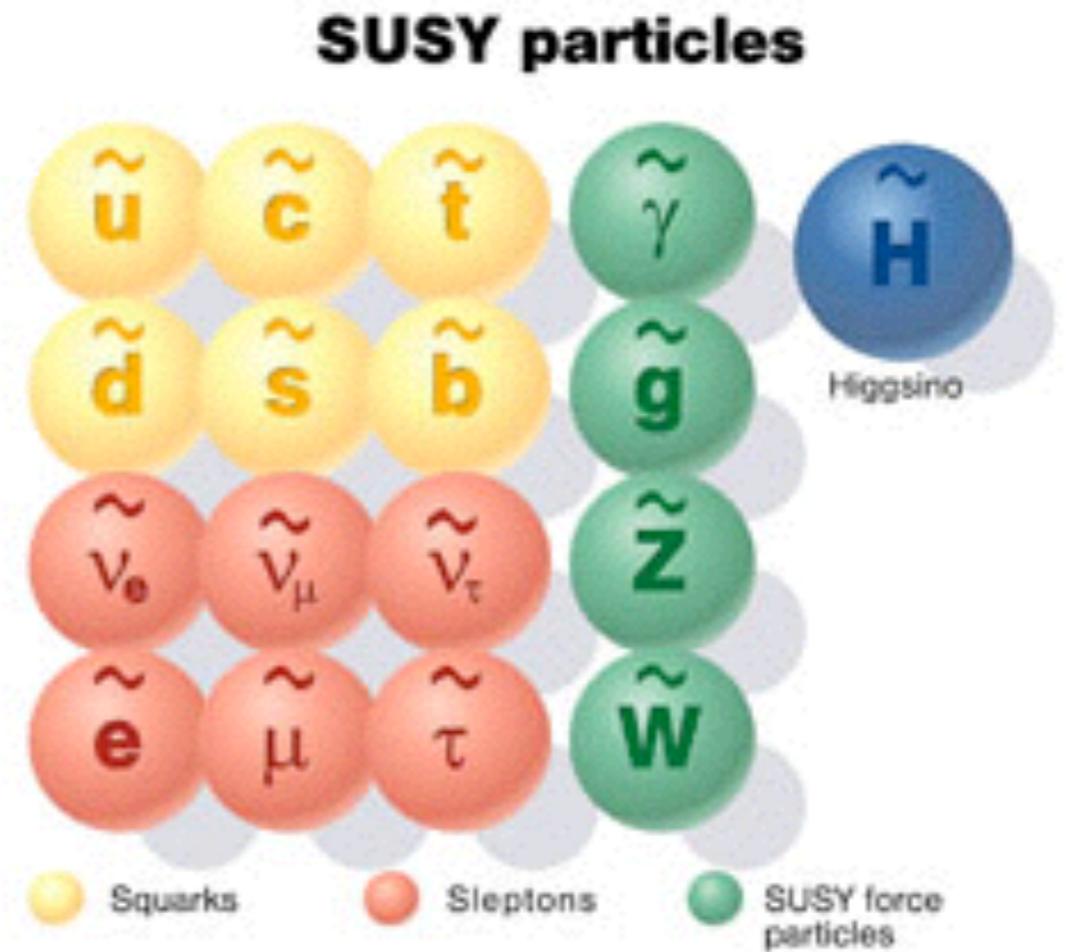
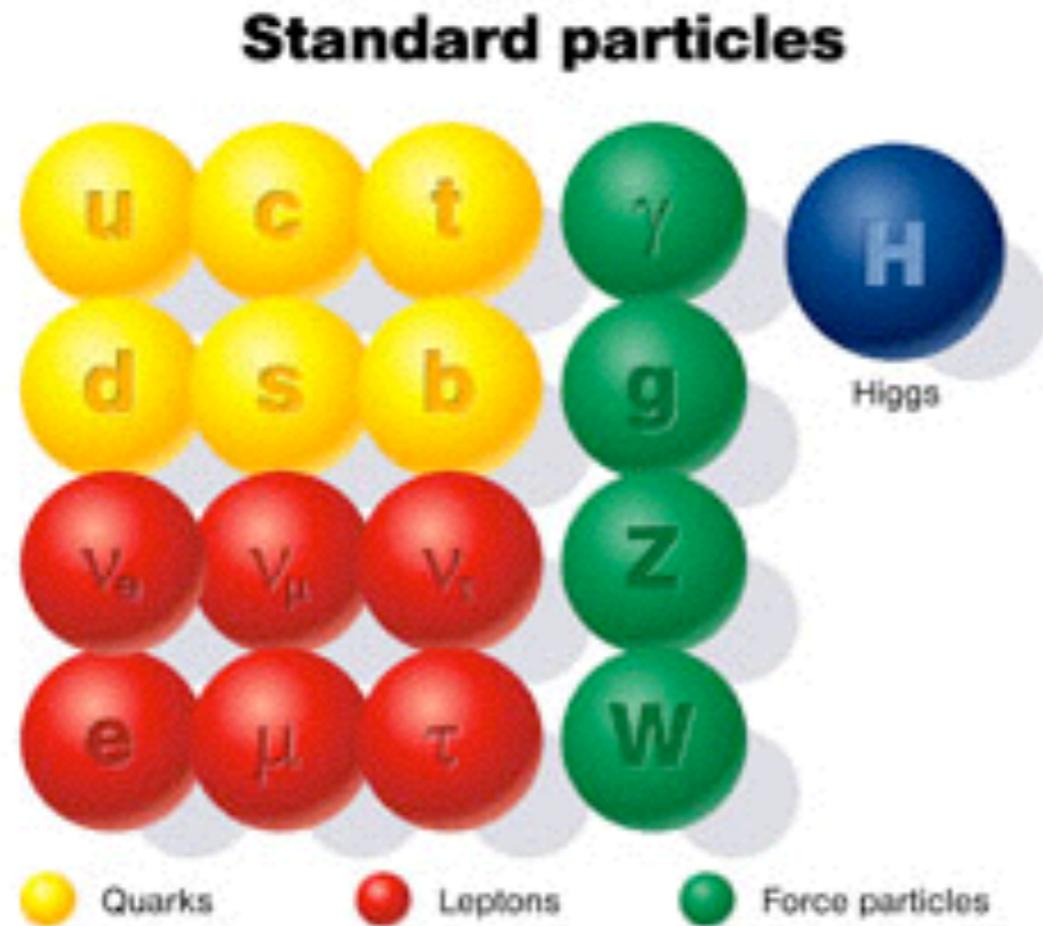
What kind of searches are relevant?

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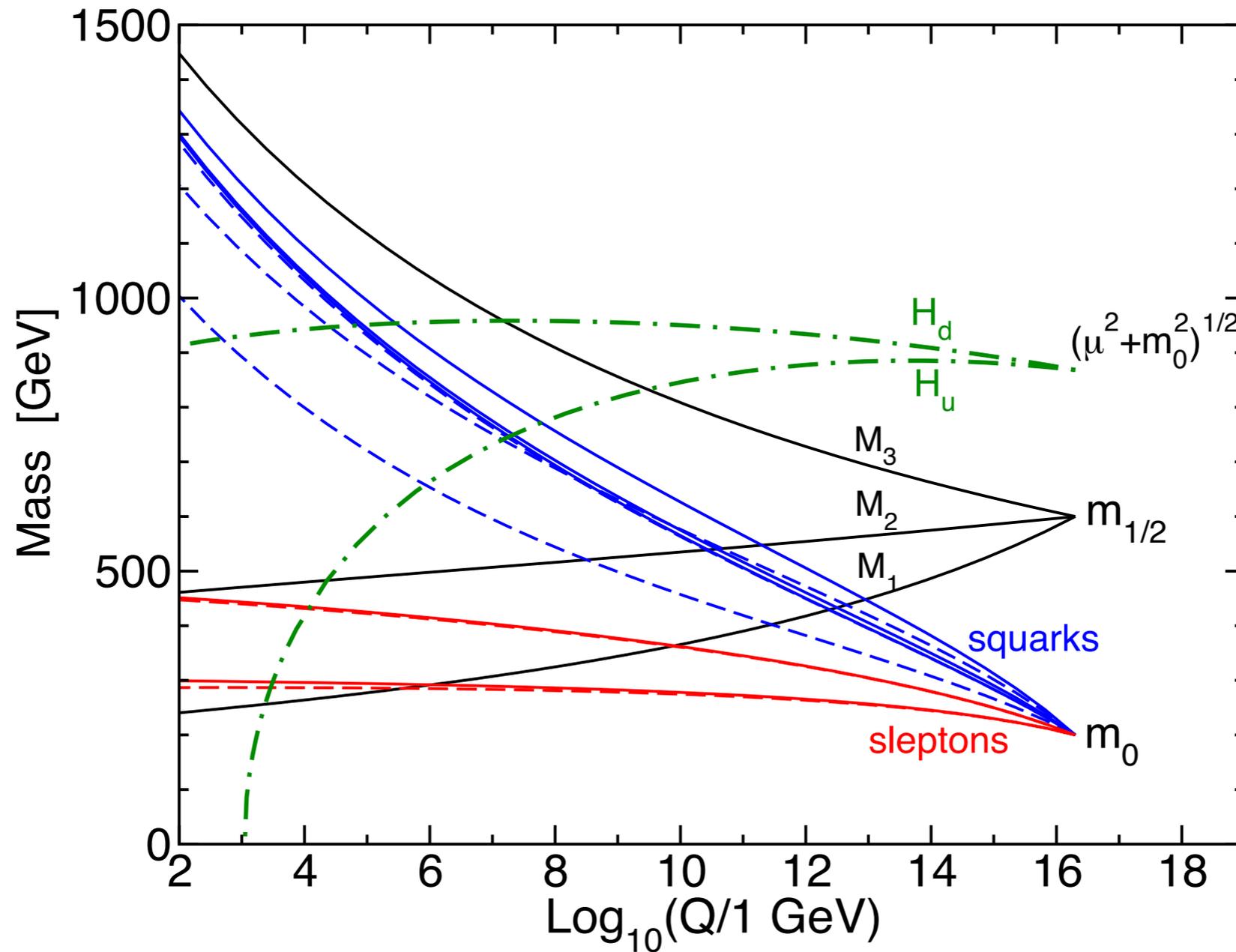
How do we use the results?

What can we do in the future?

Mandatory SUSY spectrum slide



What is the cMSSM?

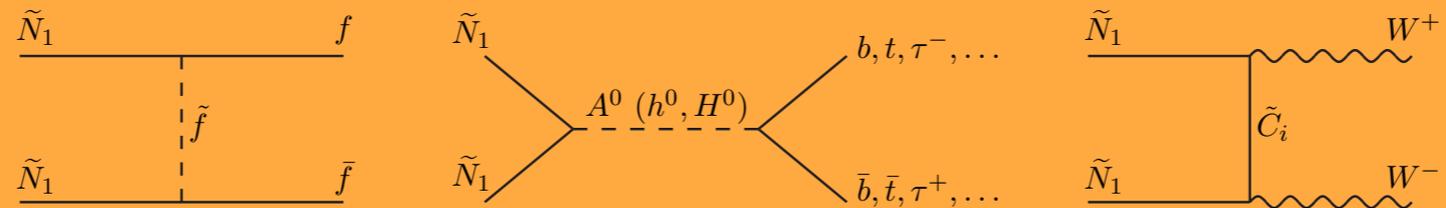


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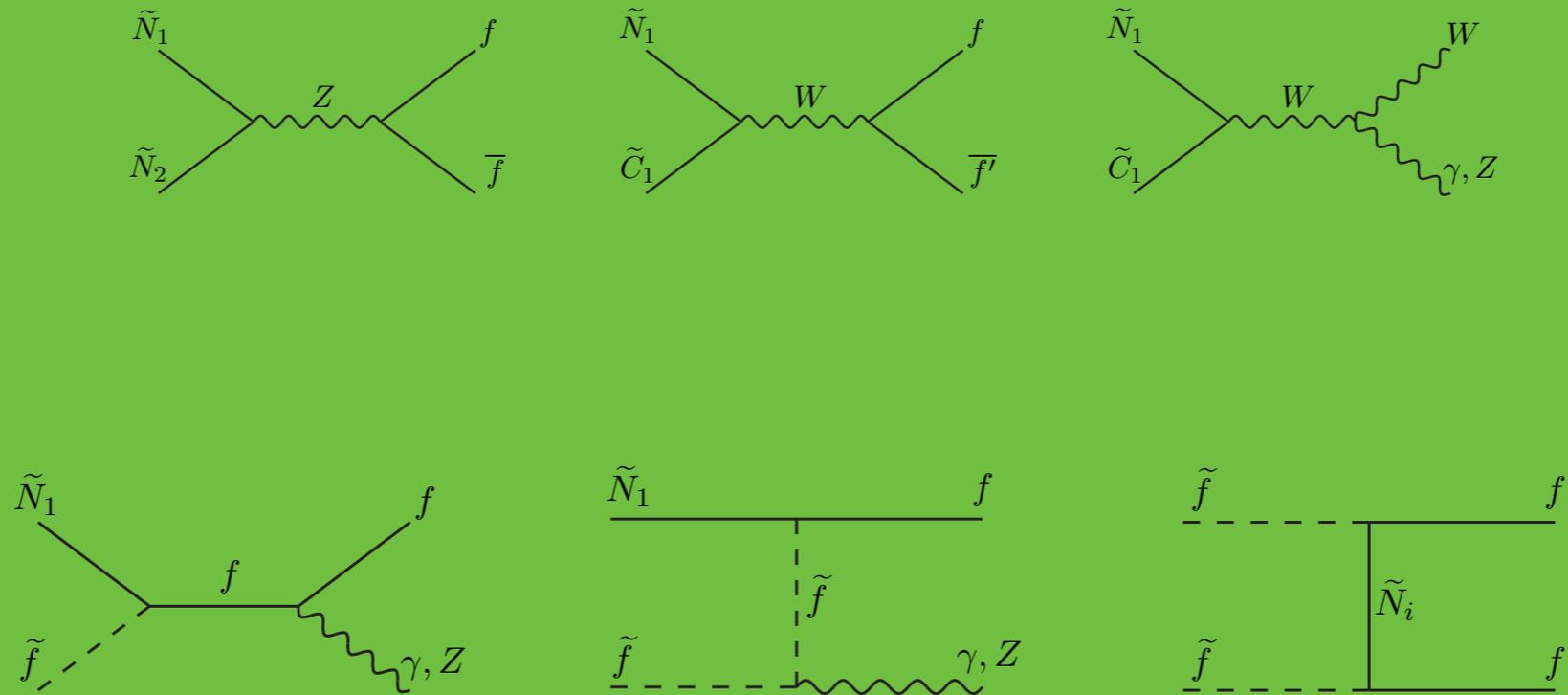
$m_0, m_{1/2}, A_0, \tan \beta, \text{sign}(\mu)$

Modes of annihilation

direct

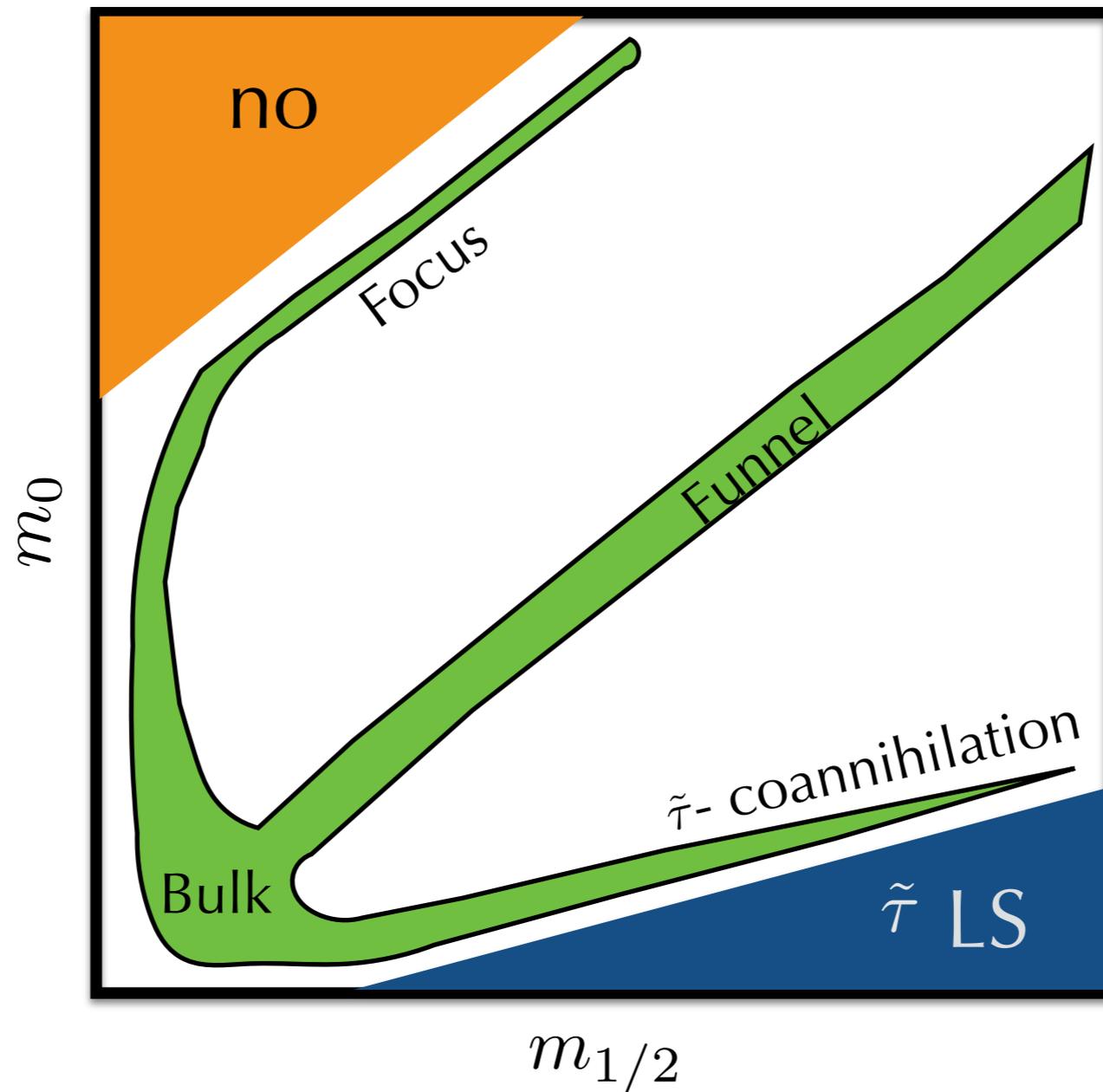


co-annihilation



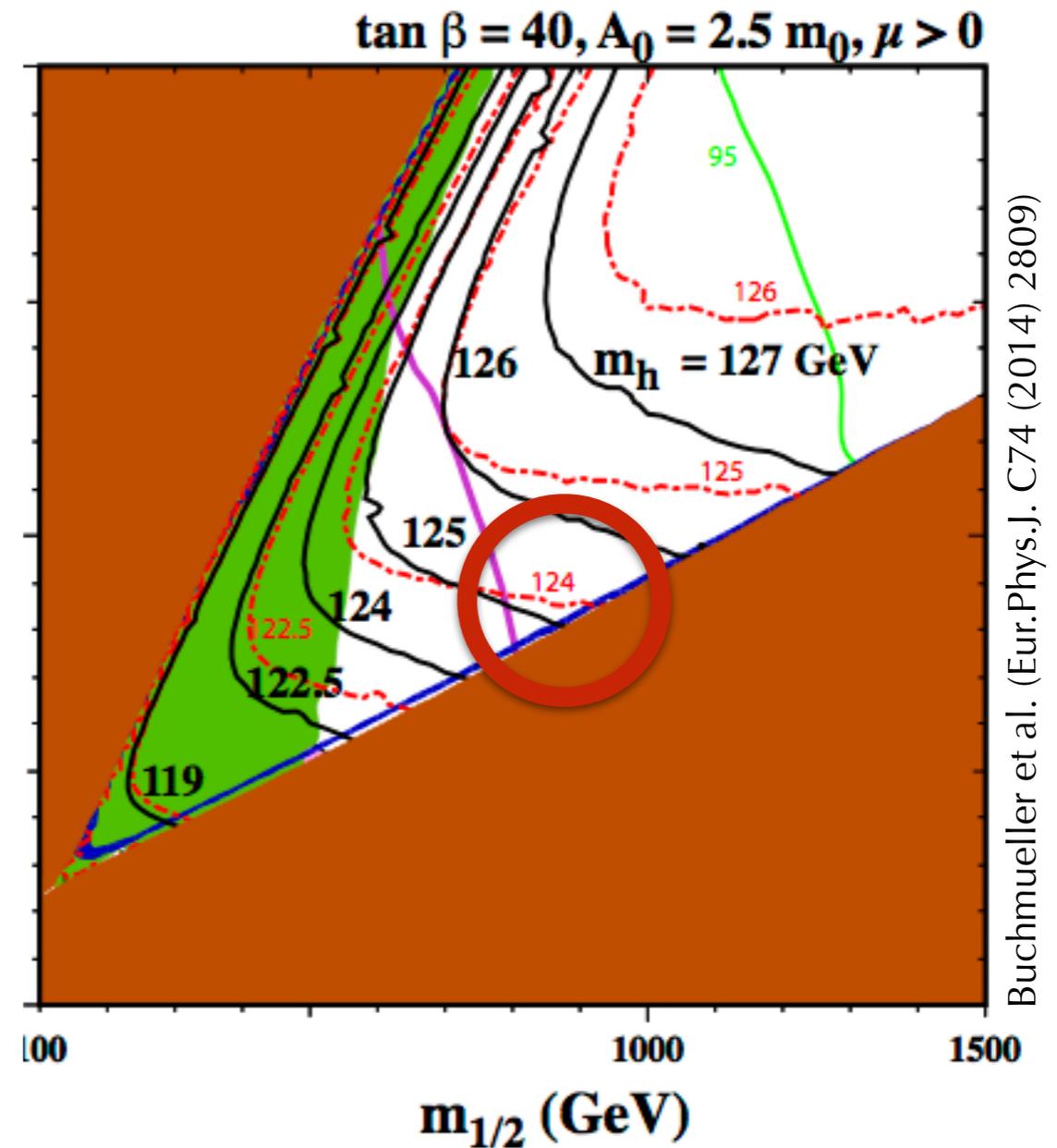
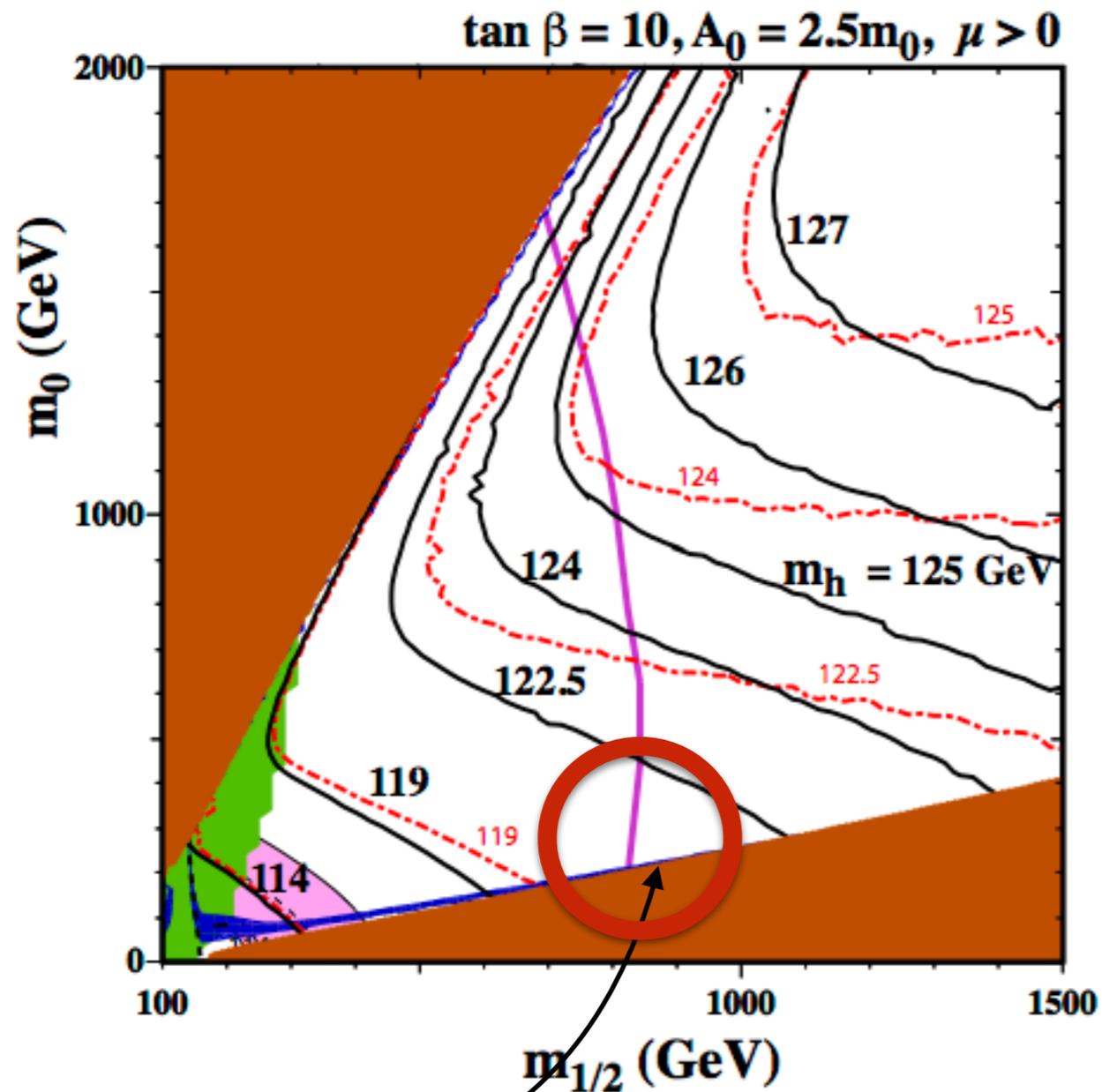
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What regions of CMSSM parameter space are favoured?



we use: $0.115 < \Omega_\chi h^2 < 0.125$

Higgs mass and jets+MET constraints



Buchmueller et al. (Eur.Phys.J. C74 (2014) 2809)

$m_\tau > \Delta m$ = Long-lived or stable staus (does MET still work?)

Decays of the stau

Dependence of lifetime on stau-neutralino mass difference

$$\tilde{\tau}_1^- \rightarrow \tau^- \chi.$$

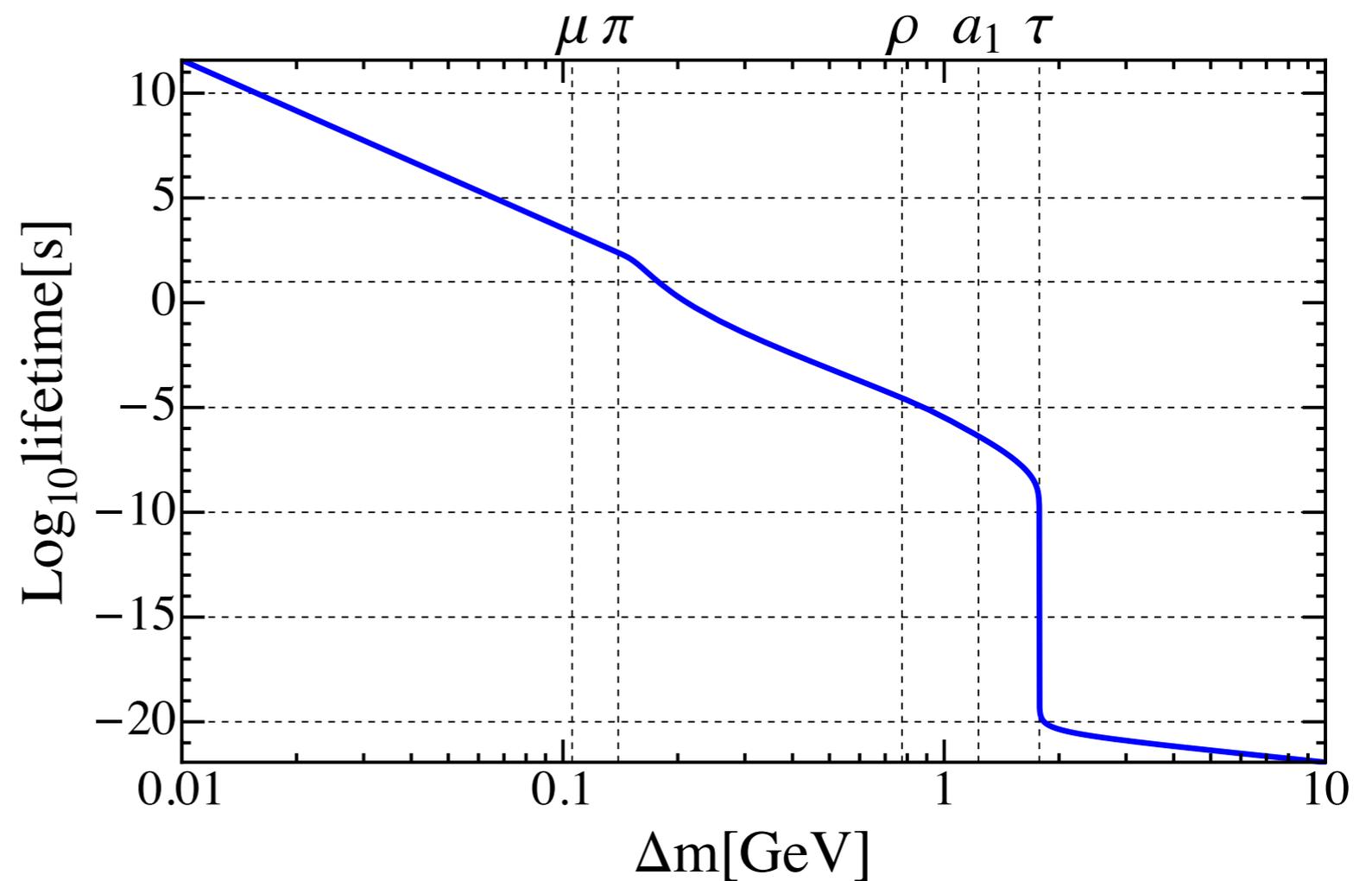
$$\tilde{\tau}_1^- \rightarrow \pi^- \nu_\tau \chi$$

$$\tilde{\tau}_1^- \rightarrow \rho^- \nu_\tau \chi$$

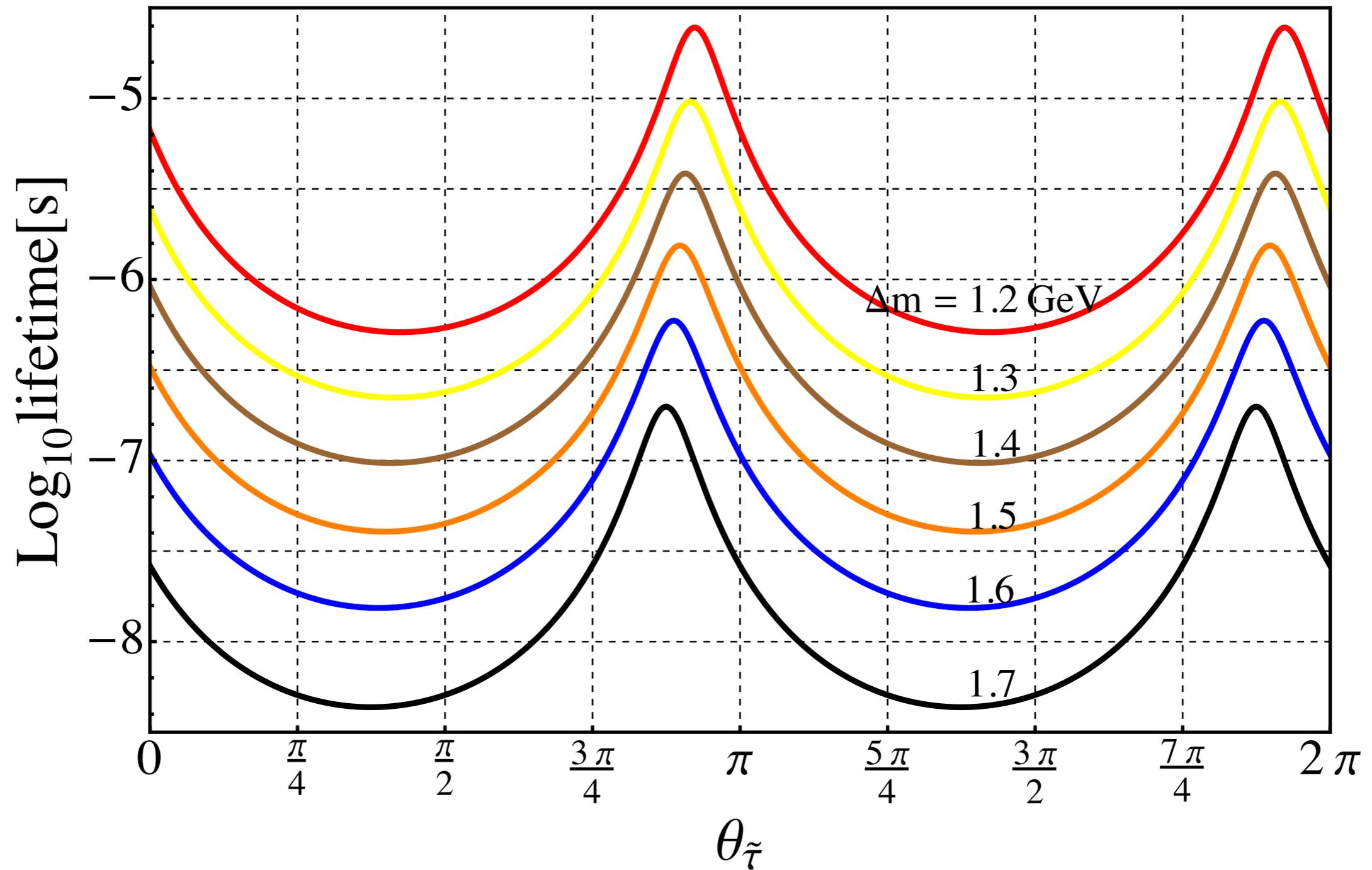
$$\tilde{\tau}_1^- \rightarrow a_1^- \nu_\tau \chi$$

$$\tilde{\tau}_1^- \rightarrow e^- \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\tau \chi$$

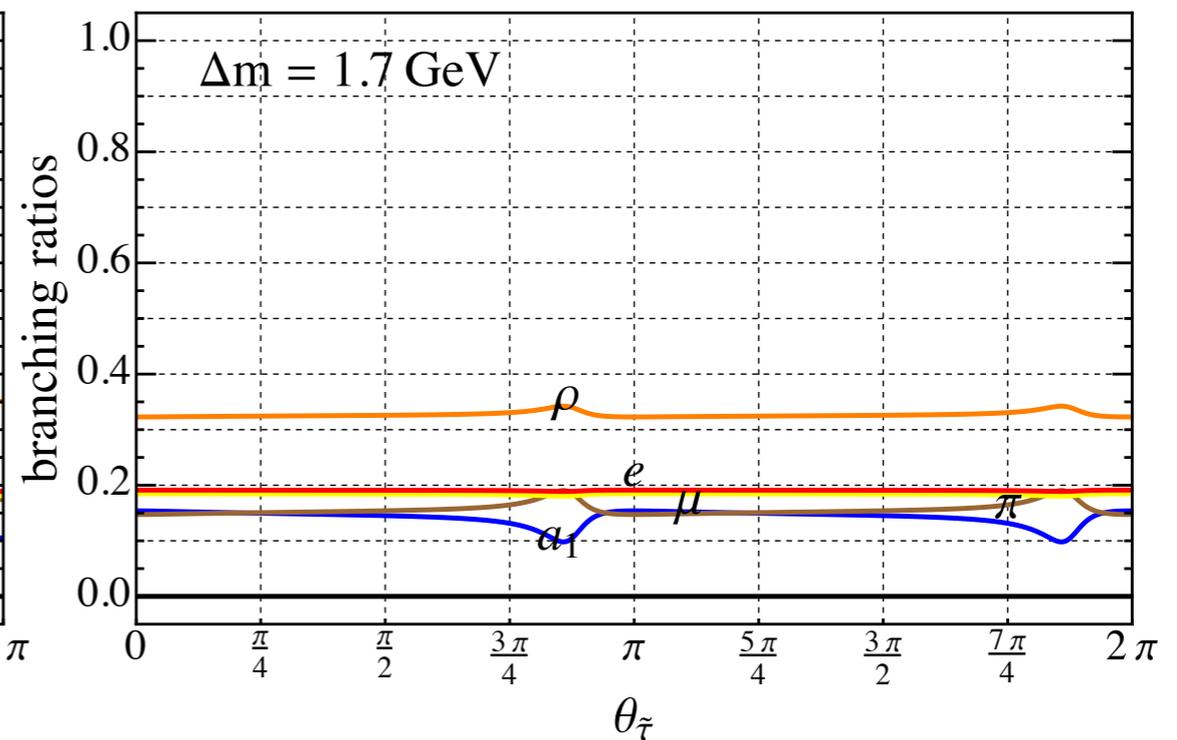
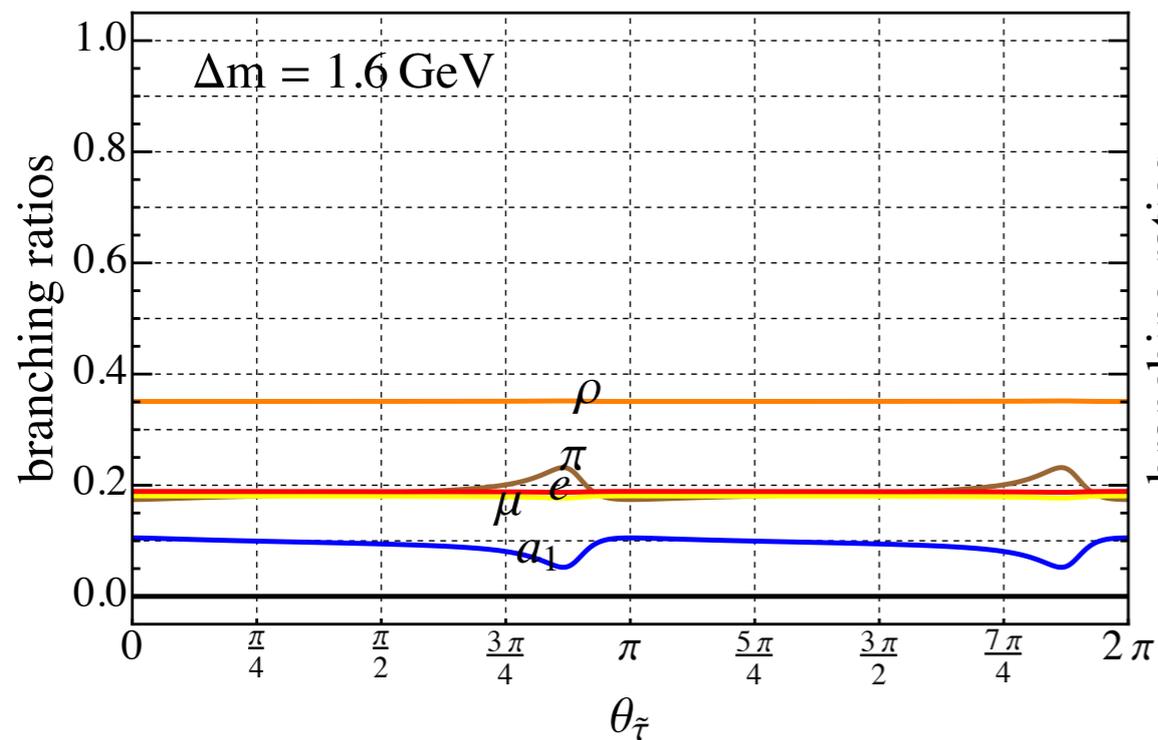
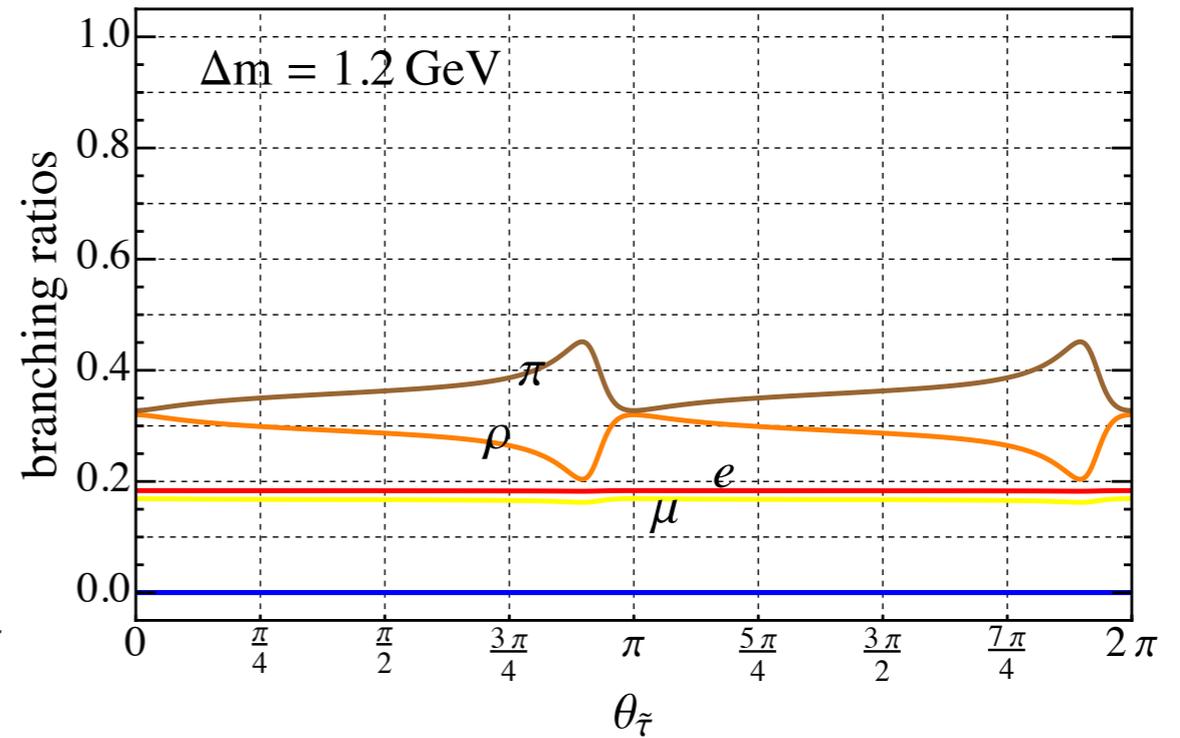
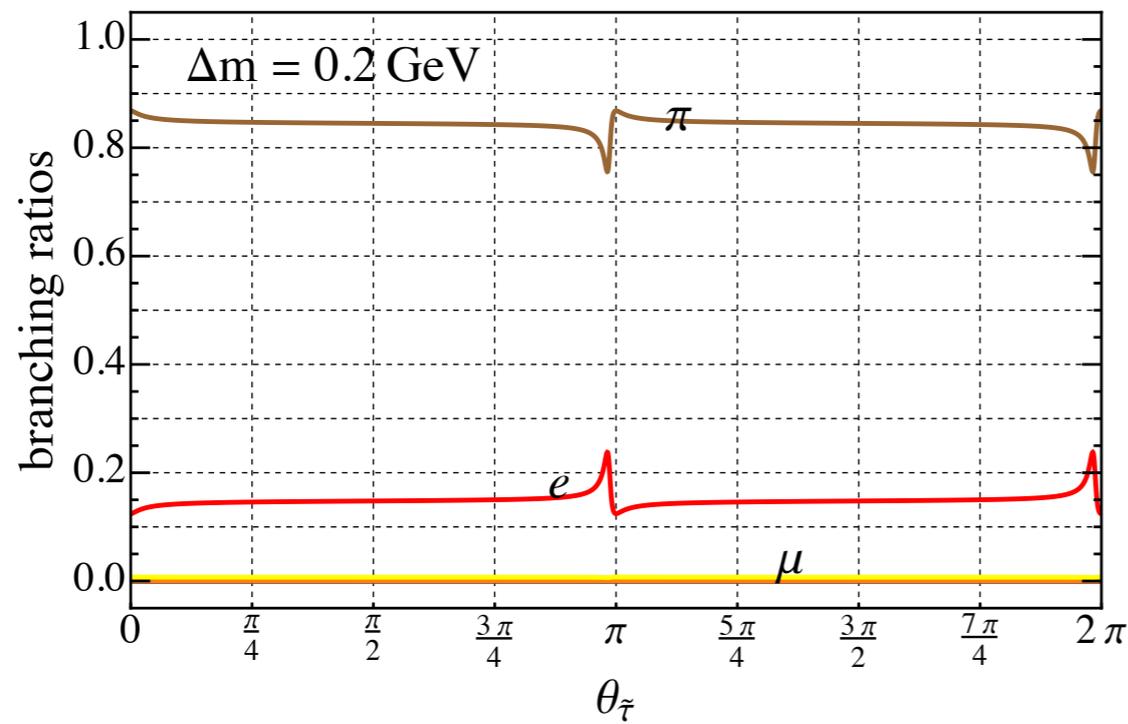
$$\tilde{\tau}_1^- \rightarrow \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu \nu_\tau \chi.$$



Dependence of lifetime on stau mixing angle

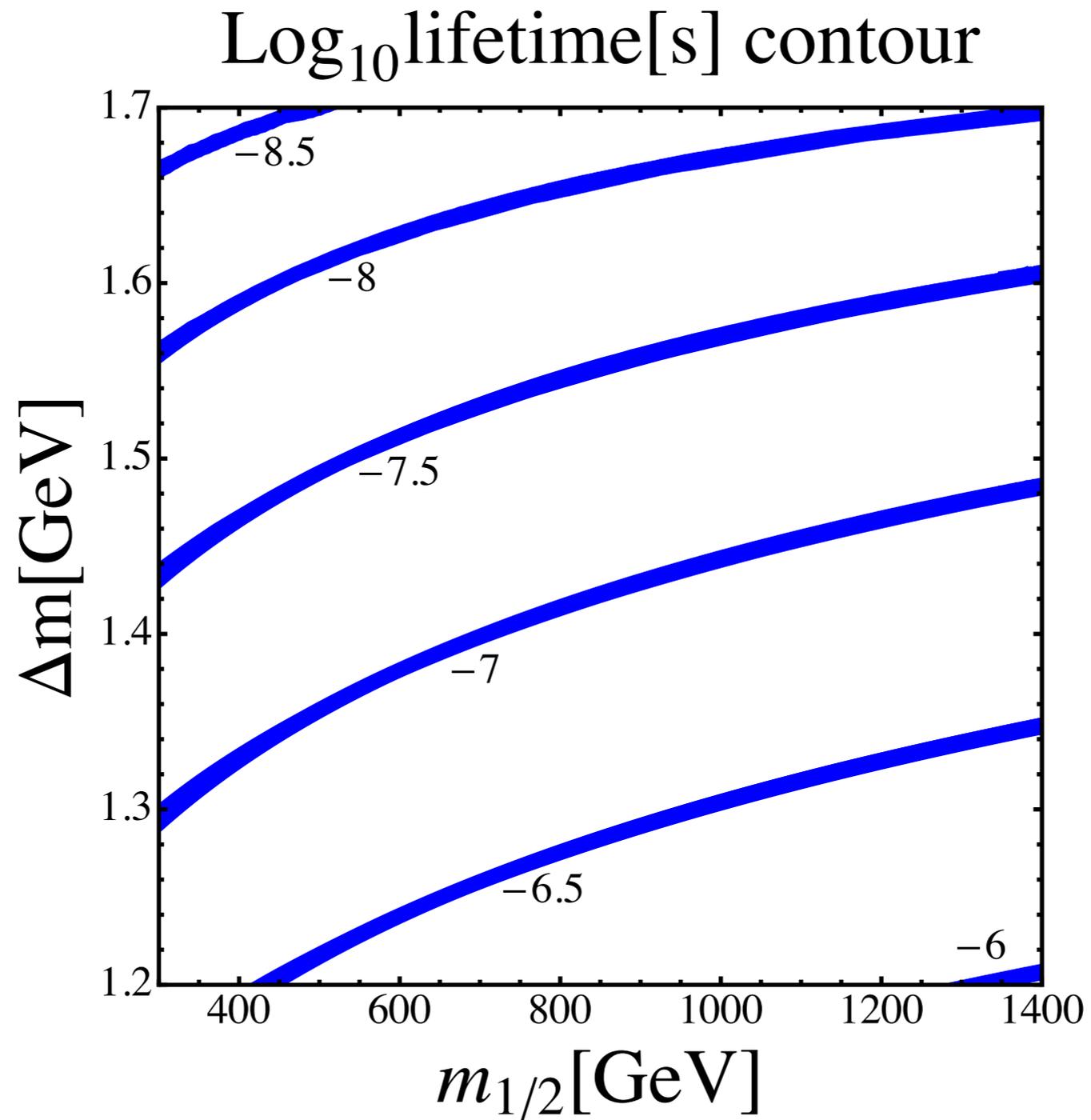


Branching fractions for different mass difference

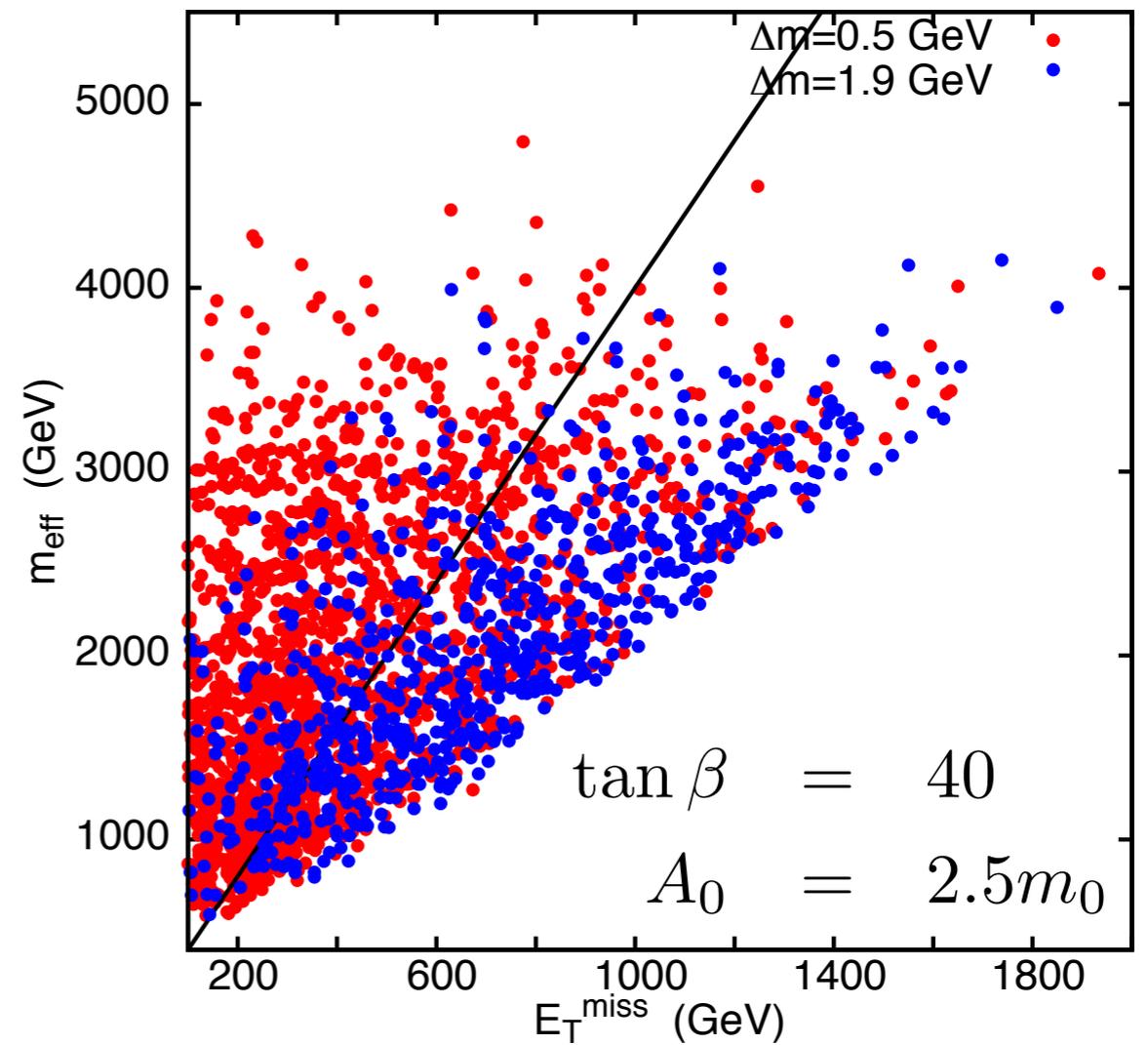
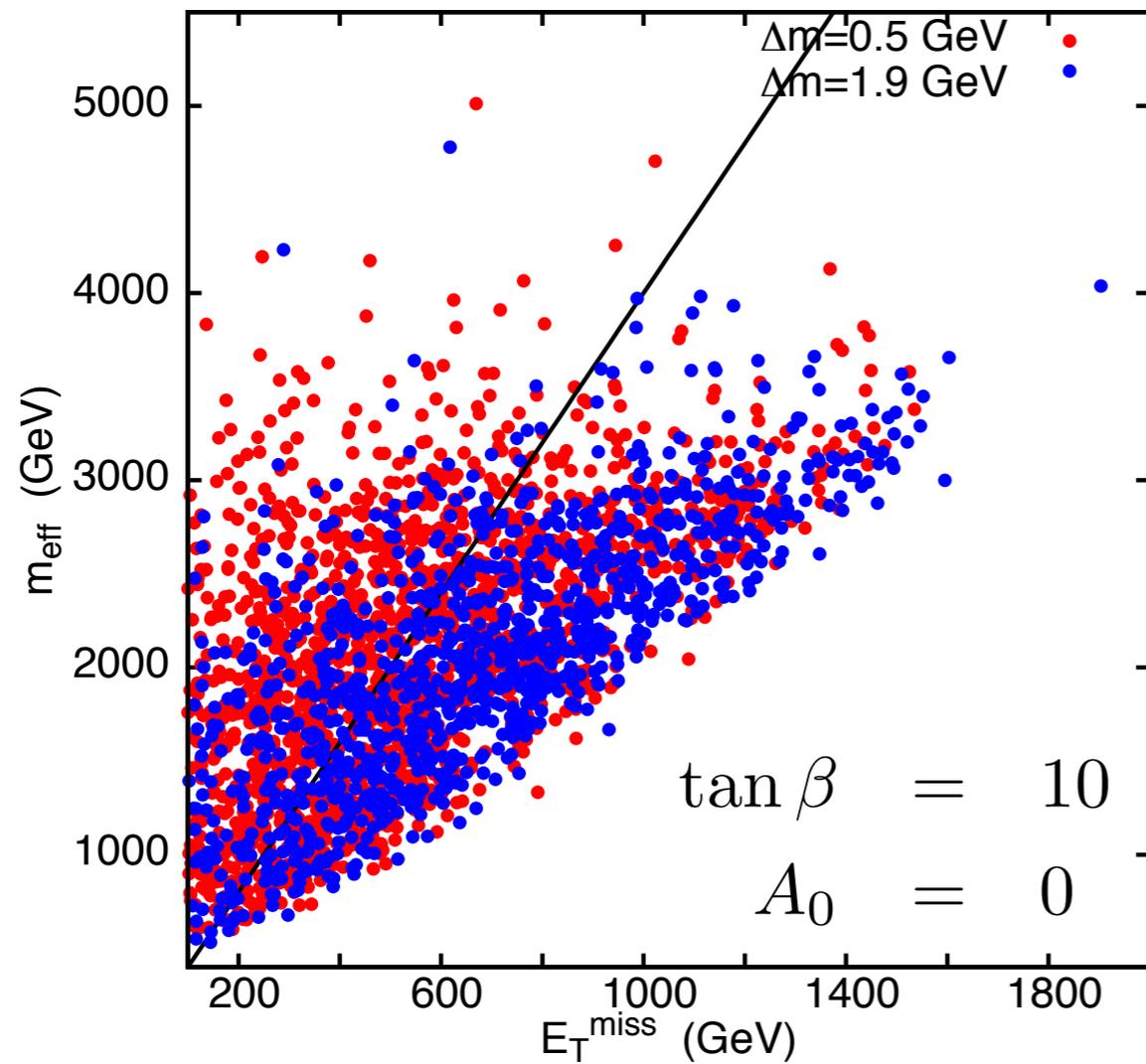


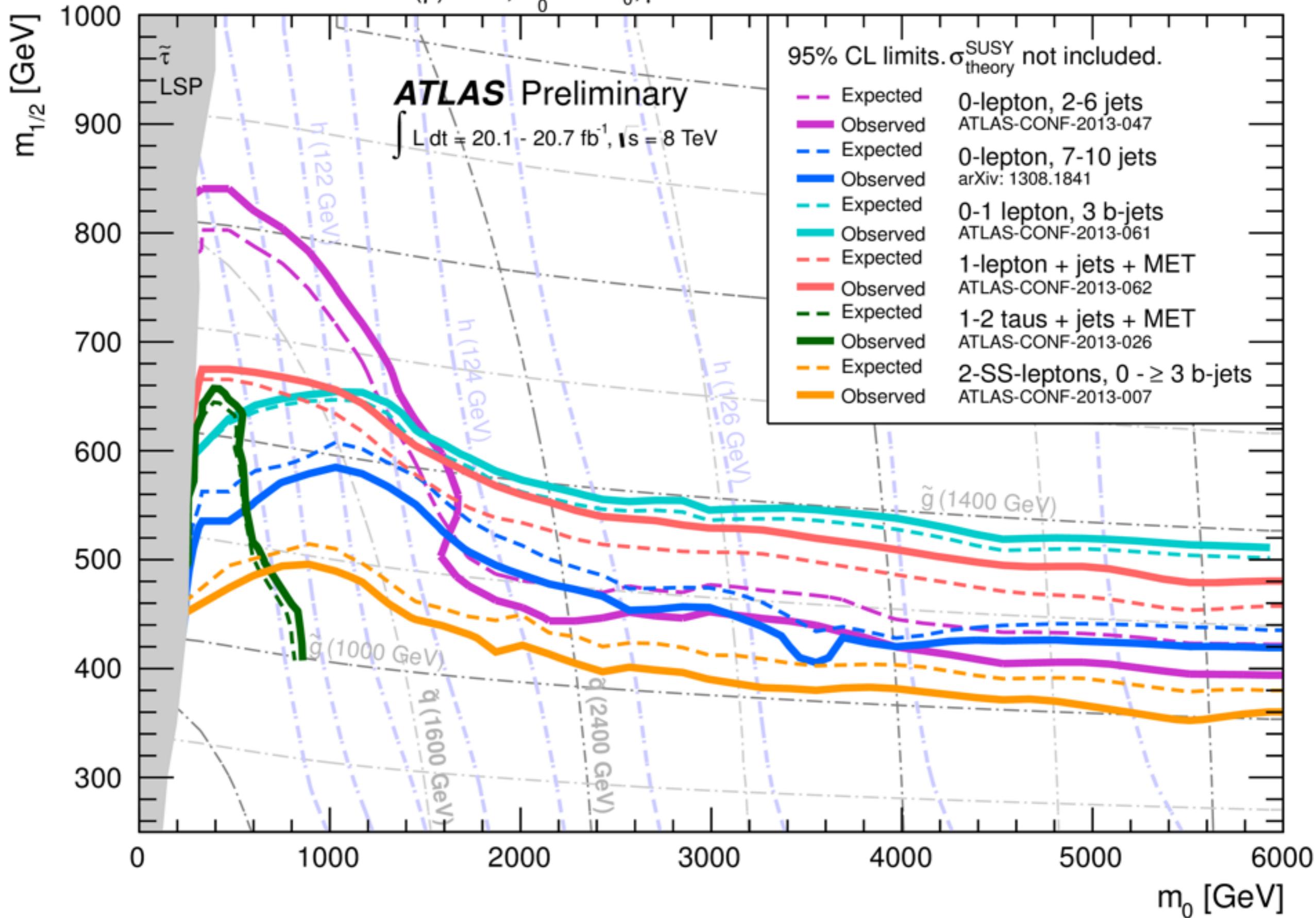
Lifetime range for our four benchmark scenarios

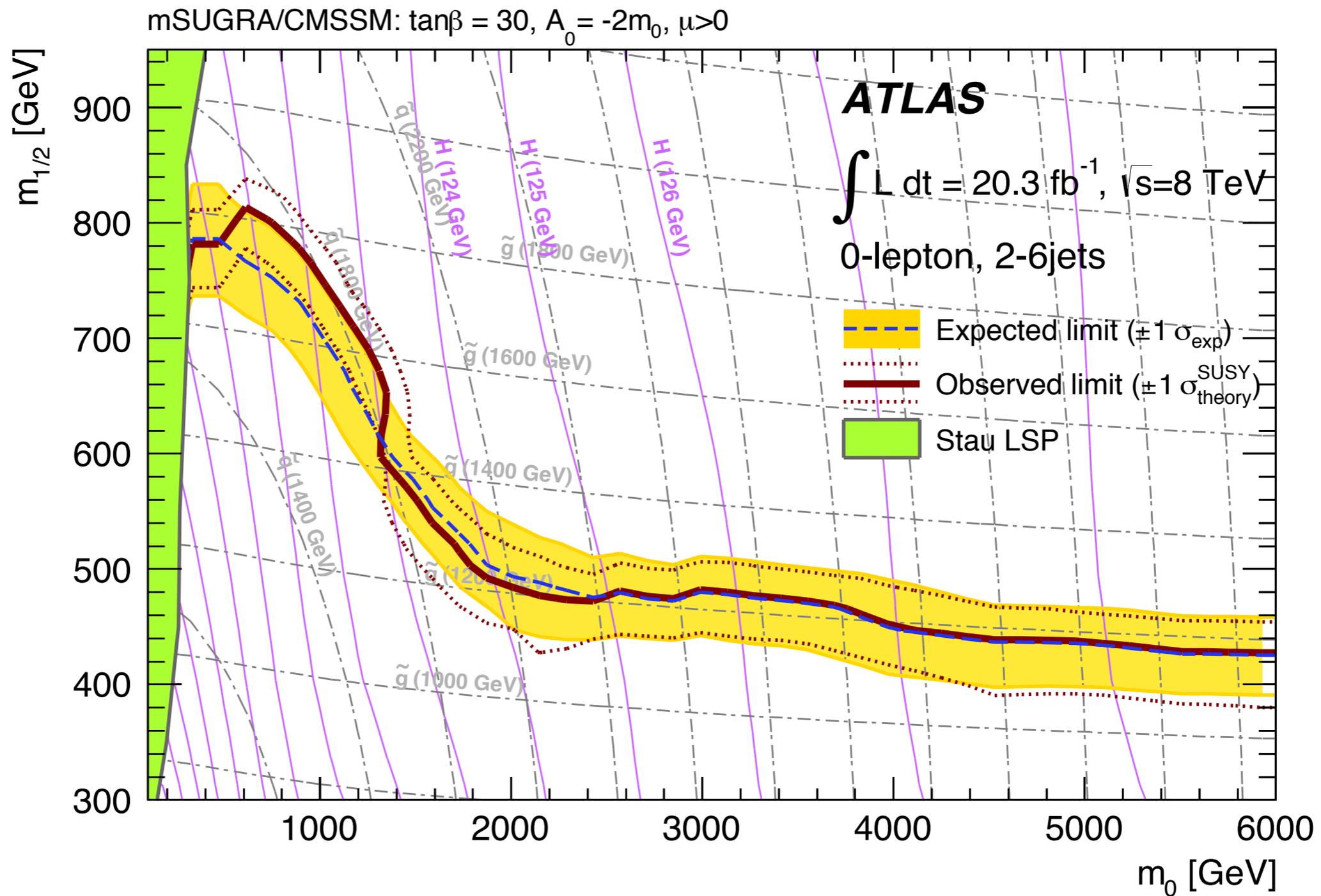
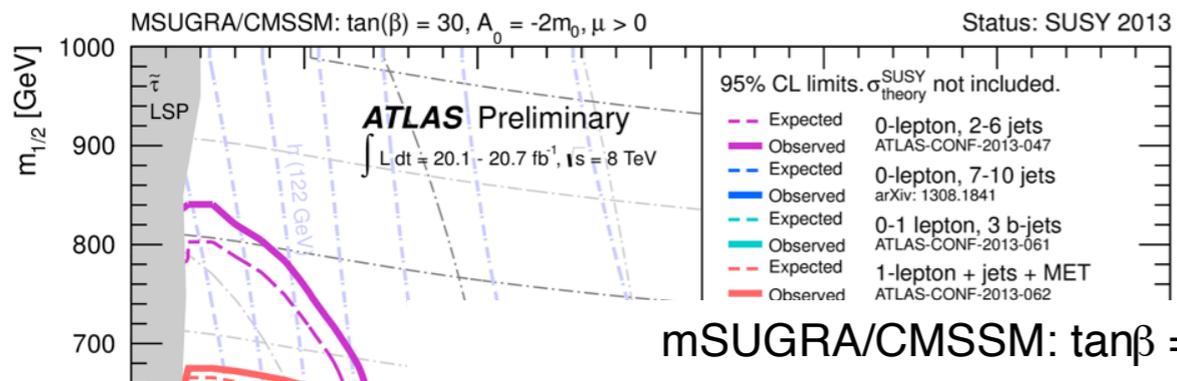
$$\tan \beta = 10, 40 \quad A_0 = 0, 2.5m_0$$



Effect of MET and M_{eff} cuts

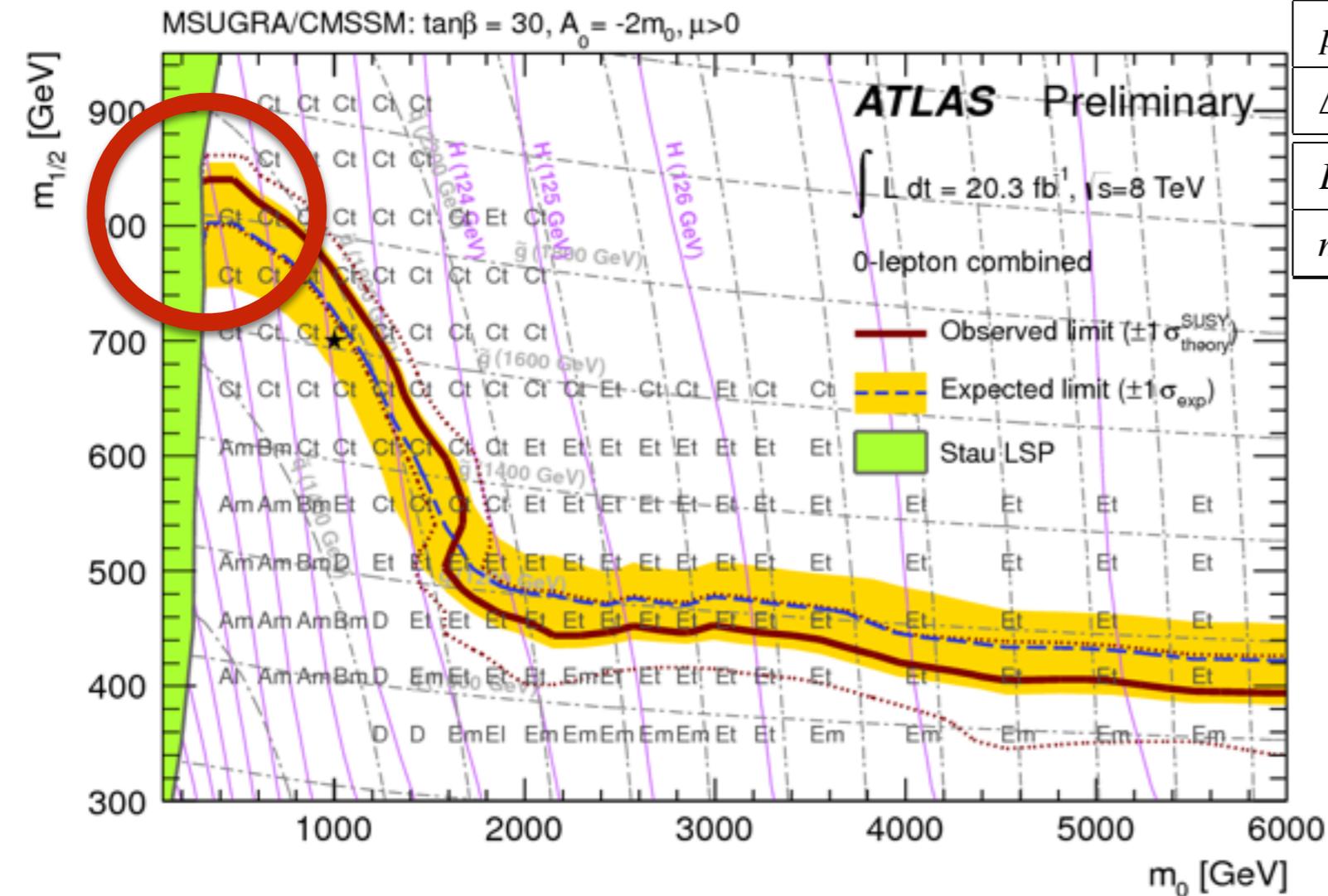






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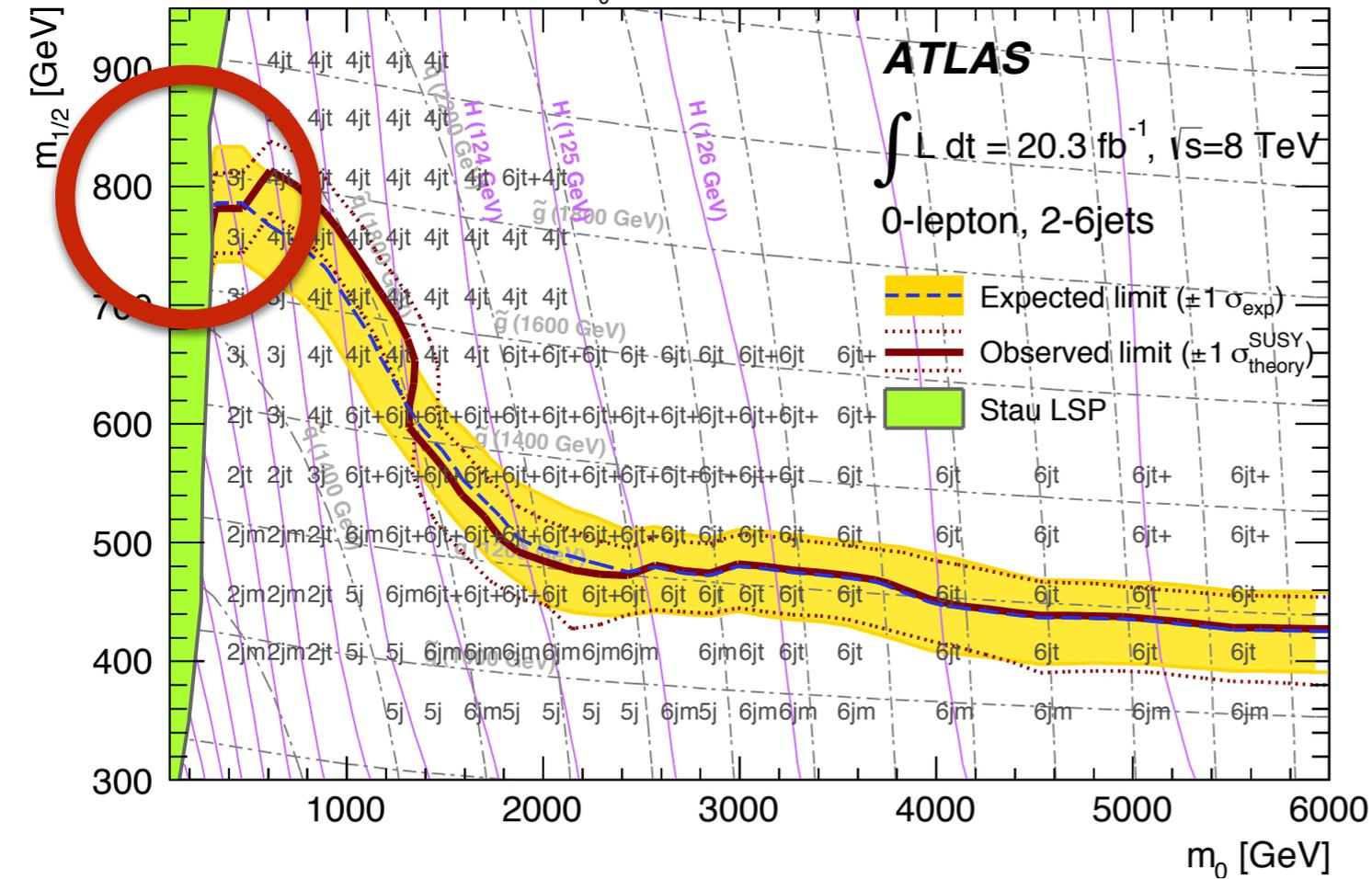
Requirement	Channel		
	B (3-jets)	C (4-jets)	
		T	M
$E_T^{\text{miss}} [\text{GeV}] >$	160		
$p_T(j_1) [\text{GeV}] >$	130		
$p_T(j_2) [\text{GeV}] >$	60		
$p_T(j_3) [\text{GeV}] >$	60	60	
$p_T(j_4) [\text{GeV}] >$	–	60	
$p_T(j_5) [\text{GeV}] >$	–	–	
$p_T(j_6) [\text{GeV}] >$	–	–	
$\Delta\phi(\text{jet}_i, \mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss}})_{\text{min}} >$	0.4 ($i = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$)		0.4 ($i = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$)
$E_T^{\text{miss}} / m_{\text{eff}}(Nj) >$	0.4	0.25	0.25
$m_{\text{eff}}(\text{incl.}) [\text{GeV}] >$	2200	1200	2200



arXiv:1405.7875

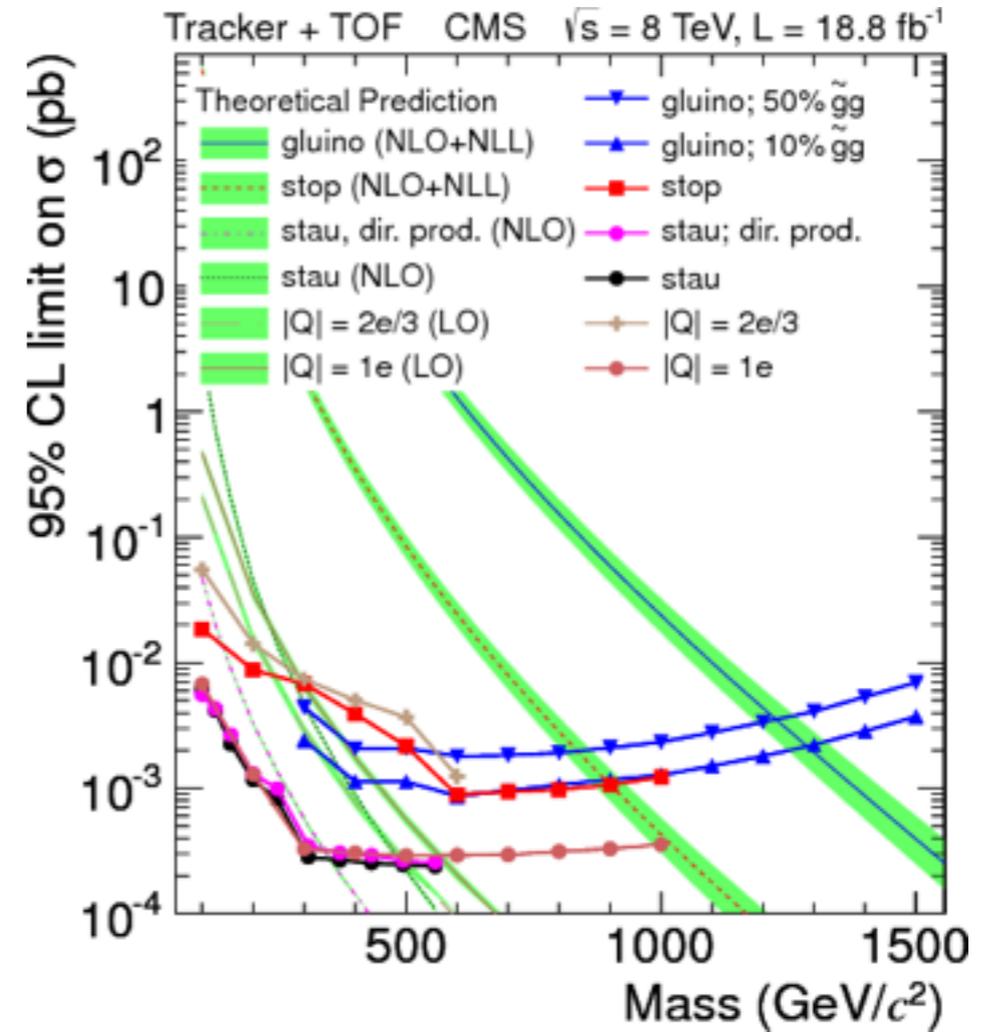
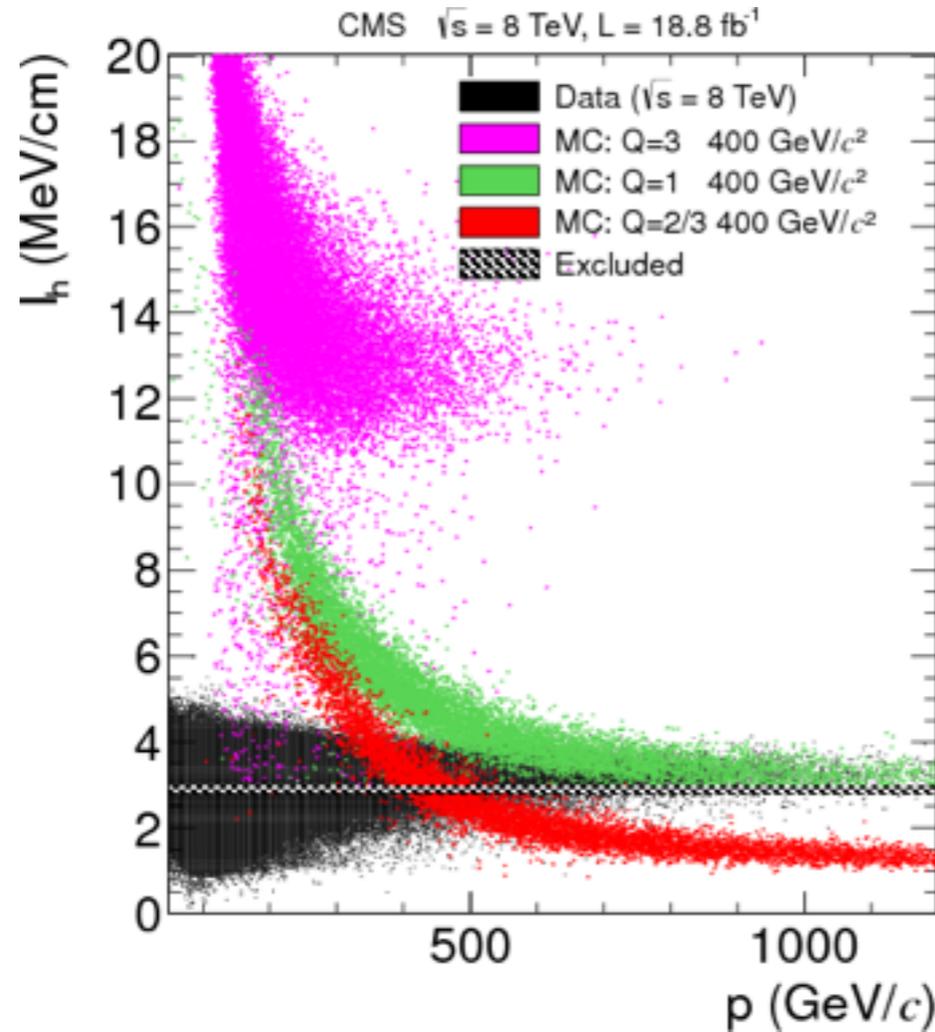
Requirement	Signal Region					
	2jl	2jm	2jt	2jW	3j	4jW
$E_T^{\text{miss}} [\text{GeV}] >$	160					
$p_T(j_1) [\text{GeV}] >$	130					
$p_T(j_2) [\text{GeV}] >$	60					
$p_T(j_3) [\text{GeV}] >$			–		60	40
$p_T(j_4) [\text{GeV}] >$			–			40
$\Delta\phi(\text{jet}_{1,2,(3)}, \mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss}})_{\text{min}} >$	0.4					
$\Delta\phi(\text{jet}_{i>3}, \mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss}})_{\text{min}} >$	–					0.2
W candidates	–			2(W → j)	–	(W → j) + (W → jj)
$E_T^{\text{miss}}/\sqrt{H_T} [\text{GeV}^{1/2}] >$	8	15		–		
$E_T^{\text{miss}}/m_{\text{eff}}(N_j) >$	–			0.25	0.3	0.35
$m_{\text{eff}}(\text{incl.}) [\text{GeV}] >$	800	1200	1600	1800	2200	1100

mSUGRA/CMSSM: $\tan\beta = 30$, $A_0 = -2m_0$, $\mu > 0$



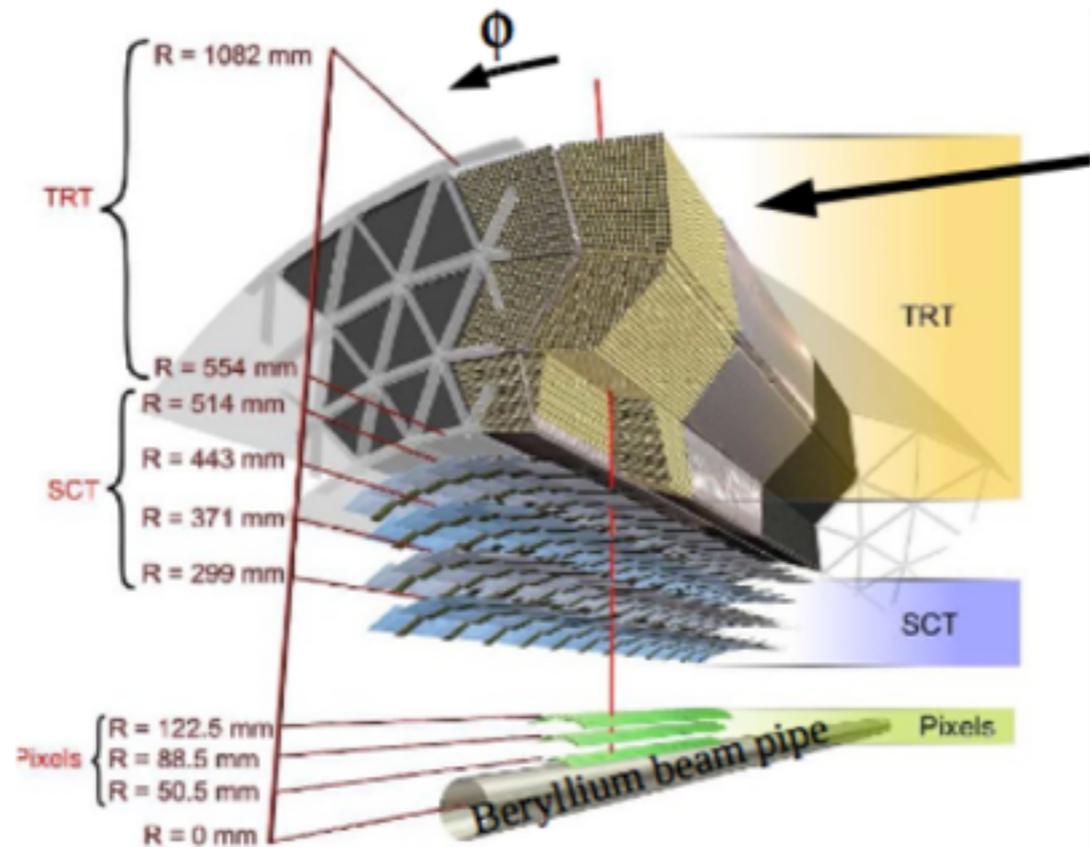
Signal Region								
4jl-	4jl	4jm	4jt	5j	6jl	6jm	6jt	6jt+
160								
130								
60								
60								
60								
–						60		
–						60		
0.4								
0.2								
10			–					
–		0.4	0.25	0.2		0.25	0.15	
700	1000	1300	2200	1200	900	1200	1500	1700

The long-lived particle search (CMS-EXO-12-026)



Mass (GeV/c^2)	$M \text{ req.}$ (GeV/c^2)	σ (pb) ($\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$)			σ (pb) ($\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$)			$\sigma/\sigma_{\text{th}}$ (7+8 TeV)	
		Exp.	Obs.	Acc.	Exp.	Obs.	Acc.	Exp.	Obs.
		Direct+indirect produced stau			— tracker+TOF analysis				
126	>40	0.0046	0.0035	0.29	0.0042	0.0042	0.25	0.0074	0.0065
308	>190	0.00094	0.0015	0.63	0.00029	0.00028	0.56	0.16	0.21
494	>330	0.00079	0.00084	0.74	0.00023	0.00024	0.66	1.9	1.9
		Direct produced stau			— tracker+TOF analysis				
126	>40	0.0056	0.0046	0.26	0.0044	0.0043	0.24	0.18	0.16
308	>190	0.0011	0.0017	0.54	0.00035	0.00035	0.46	0.62	0.66
494	>330	0.00084	0.00088	0.69	0.00025	0.00026	0.61	4.7	5.0

The disappearing track search (ATLAS-CONF-2012-034)



Requirement

Trigger selection and non-collision rejection

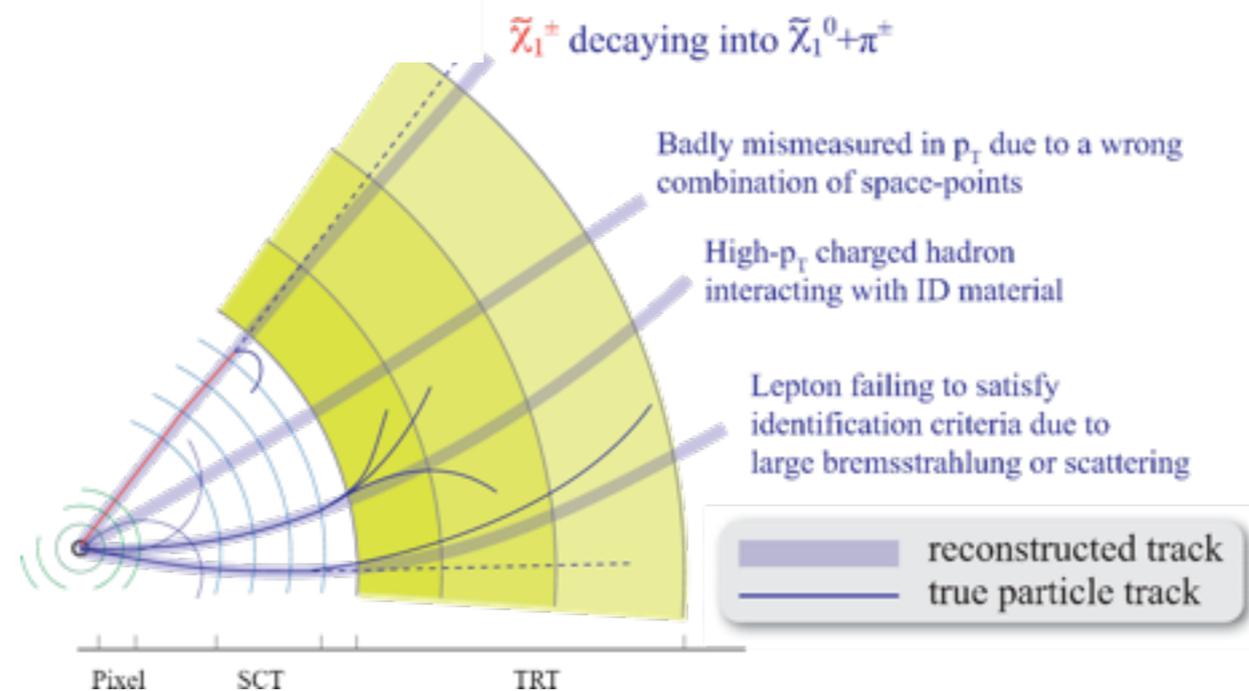
Lepton veto

$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 130 \text{ GeV}$

Jet requirements

High- p_T isolated track selection

Disappearing track selection



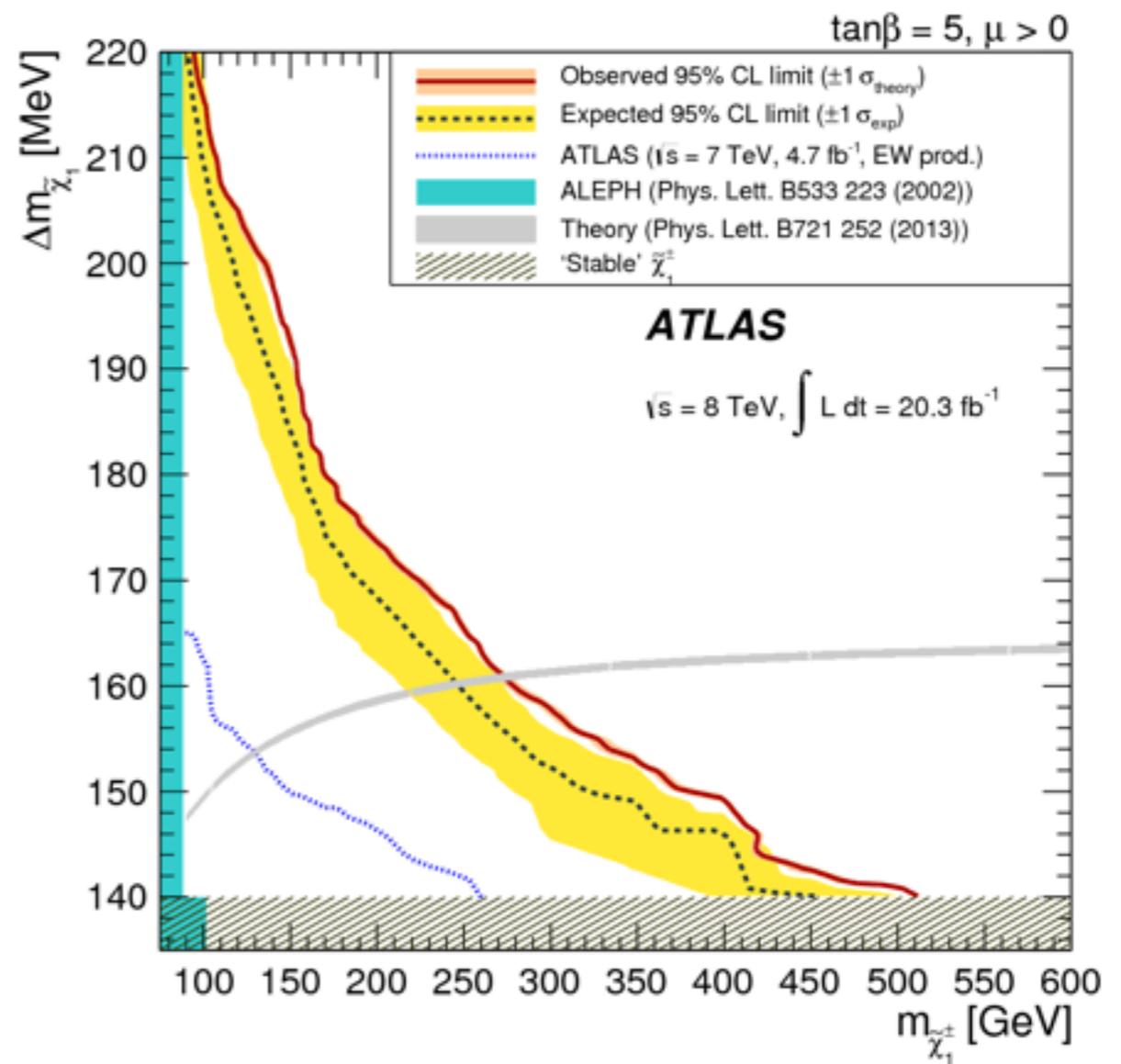
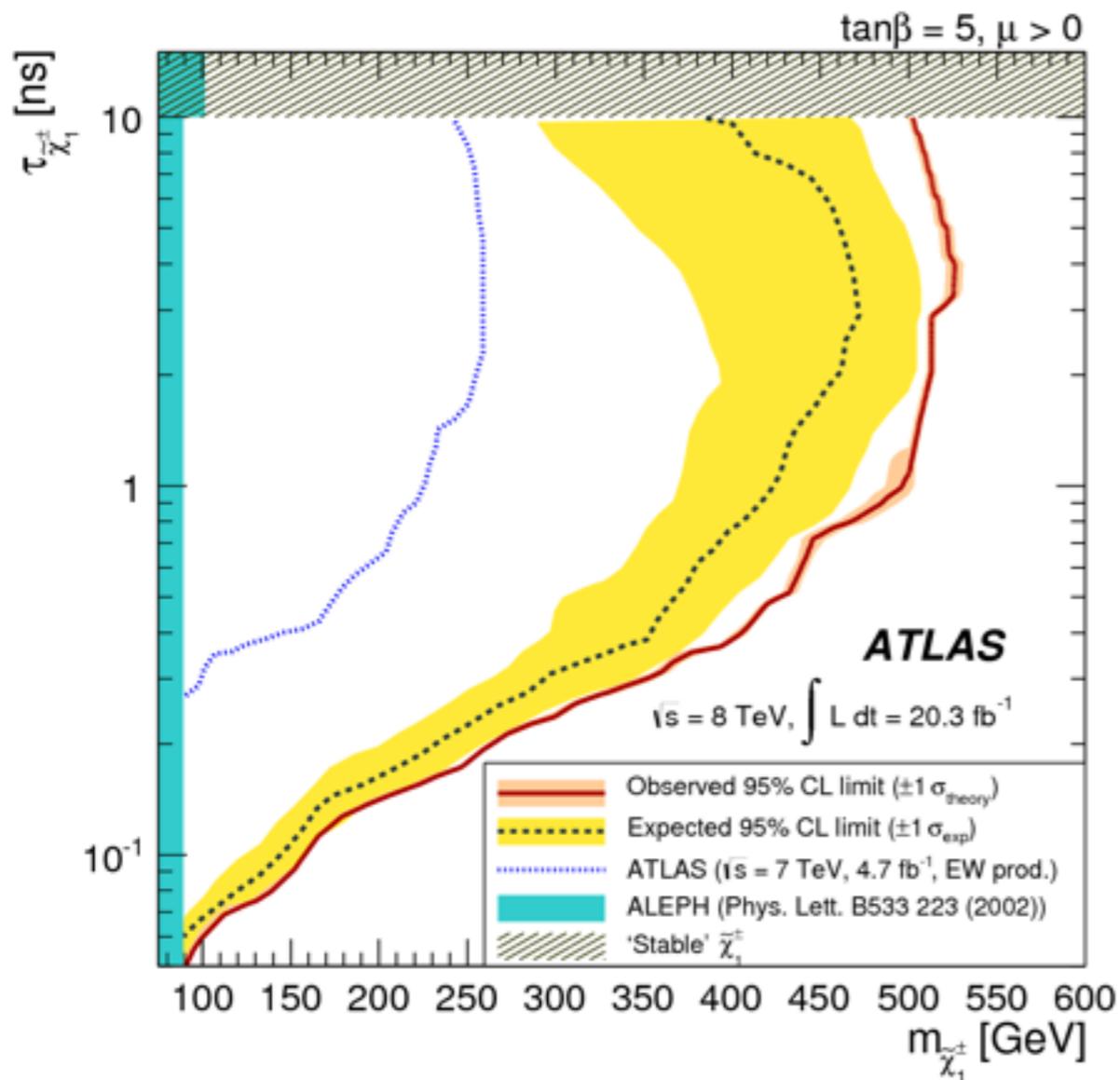
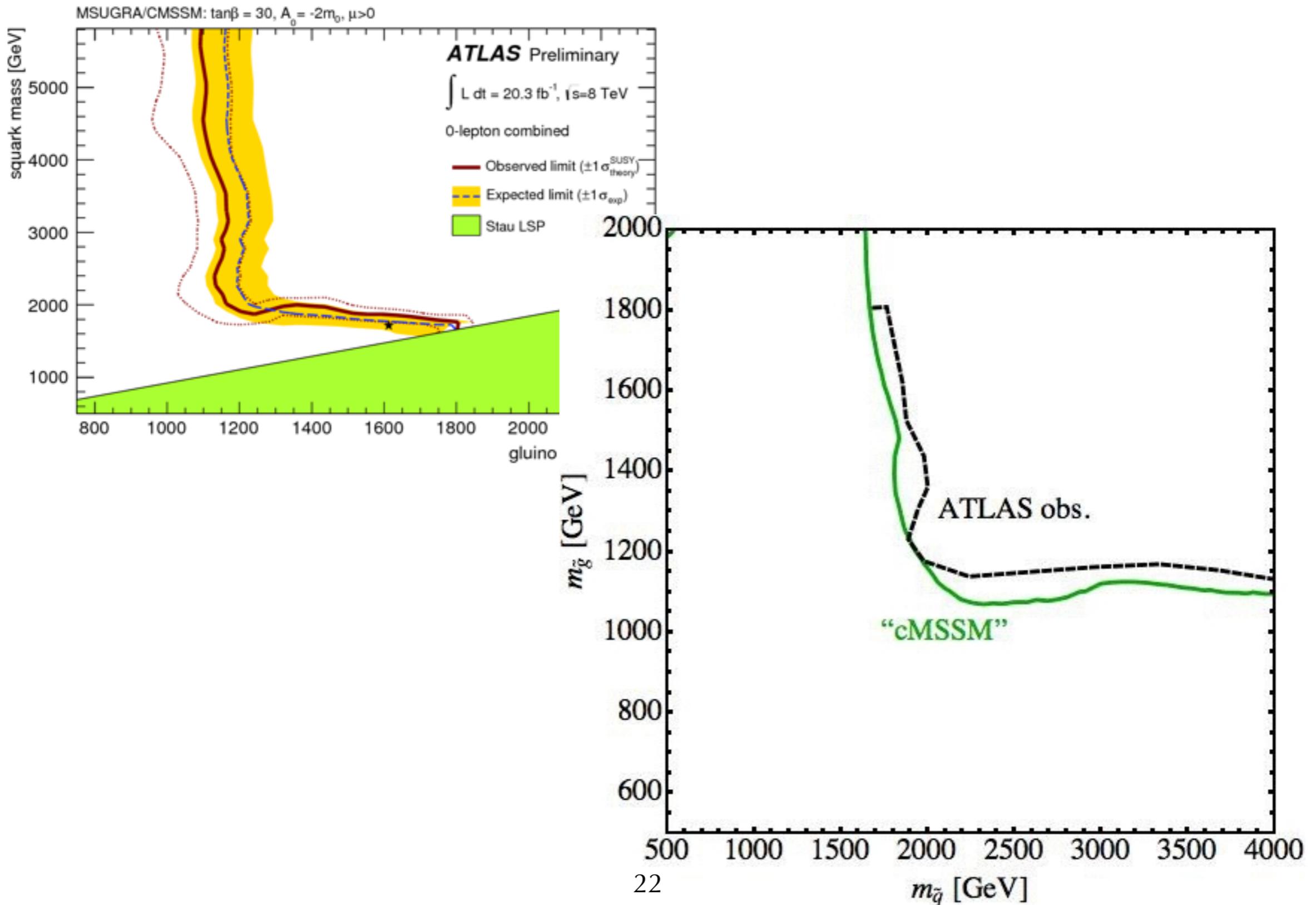


TABLE III. Numbers of observed and expected background events as well as the probability that a background-only experiment is more signal-like than observed (p_0) and the model-independent upper limit on the visible cross-section ($\sigma_{\text{vis}}^{95\%}$) at 95% CL.

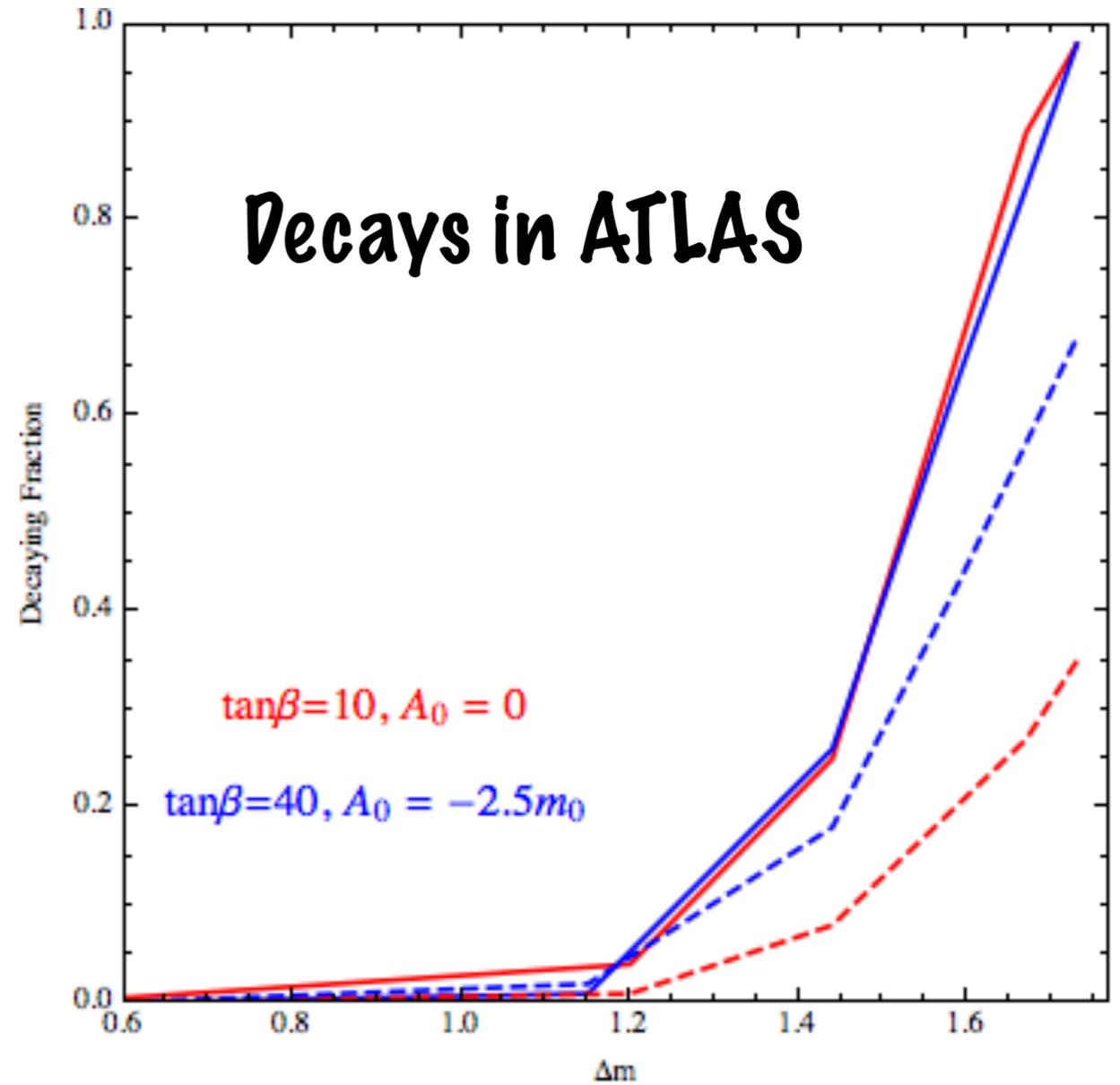
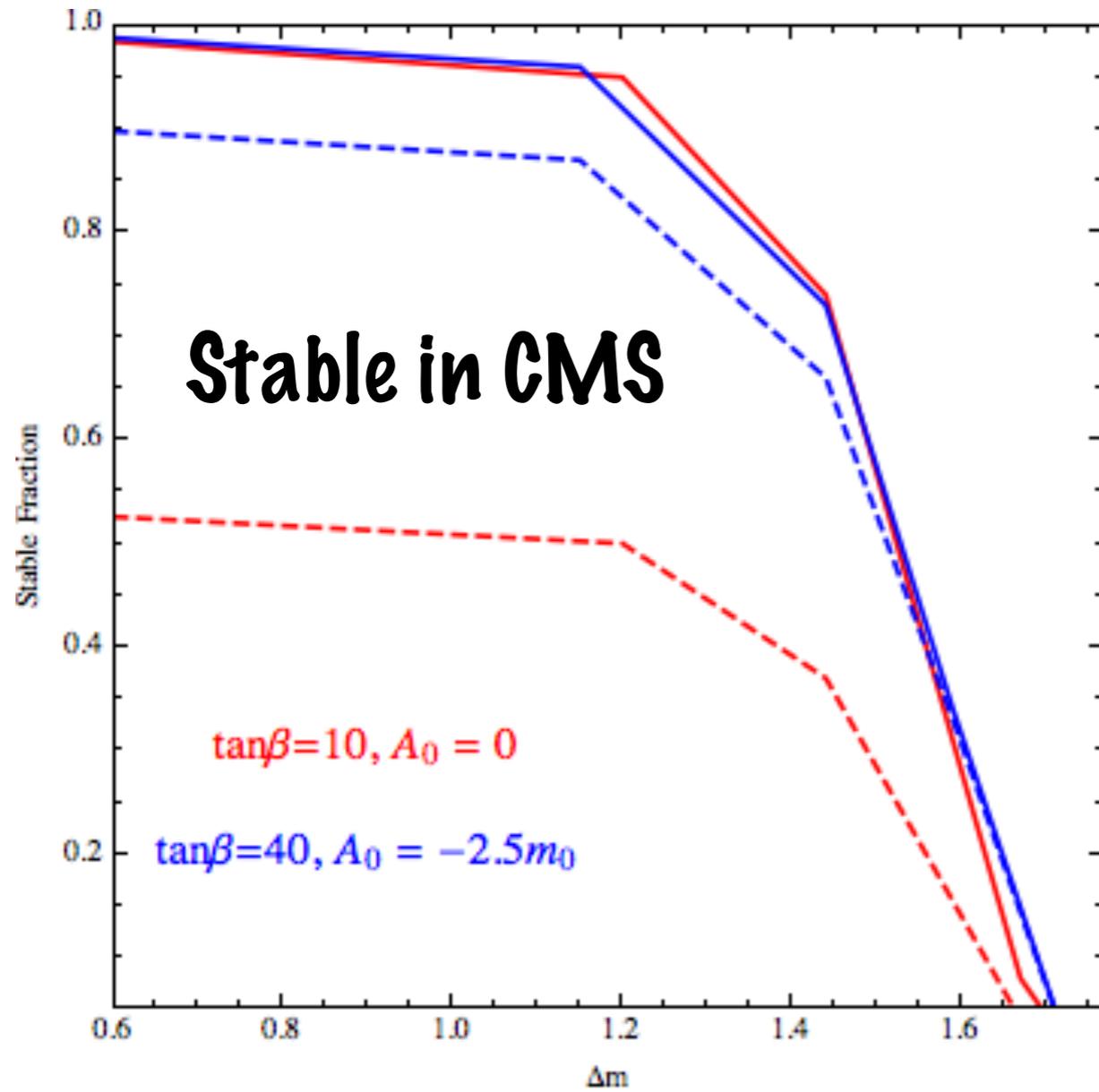
	$p_T^{\text{track}} > 75 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T^{\text{track}} > 100 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T^{\text{track}} > 150 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T^{\text{track}} > 200 \text{ GeV}$
Observed events	59	36	19	13
Expected events	48.5 ± 12.3	37.1 ± 9.4	24.6 ± 6.3	18.0 ± 4.6
p_0 value	0.17	0.41	0.46	0.44
Observed $\sigma_{\text{vis}}^{95\%}$ [fb]	1.76	1.02	0.62	0.44
Expected $\sigma_{\text{vis}}^{95\%}$ [fb]	$1.42^{+0.50}_{-0.39}$	$1.05^{+0.37}_{-0.28}$	$0.67^{+0.27}_{-0.19}$	$0.56^{+0.23}_{-0.16}$

Interpreting the ATLAS and CMS results

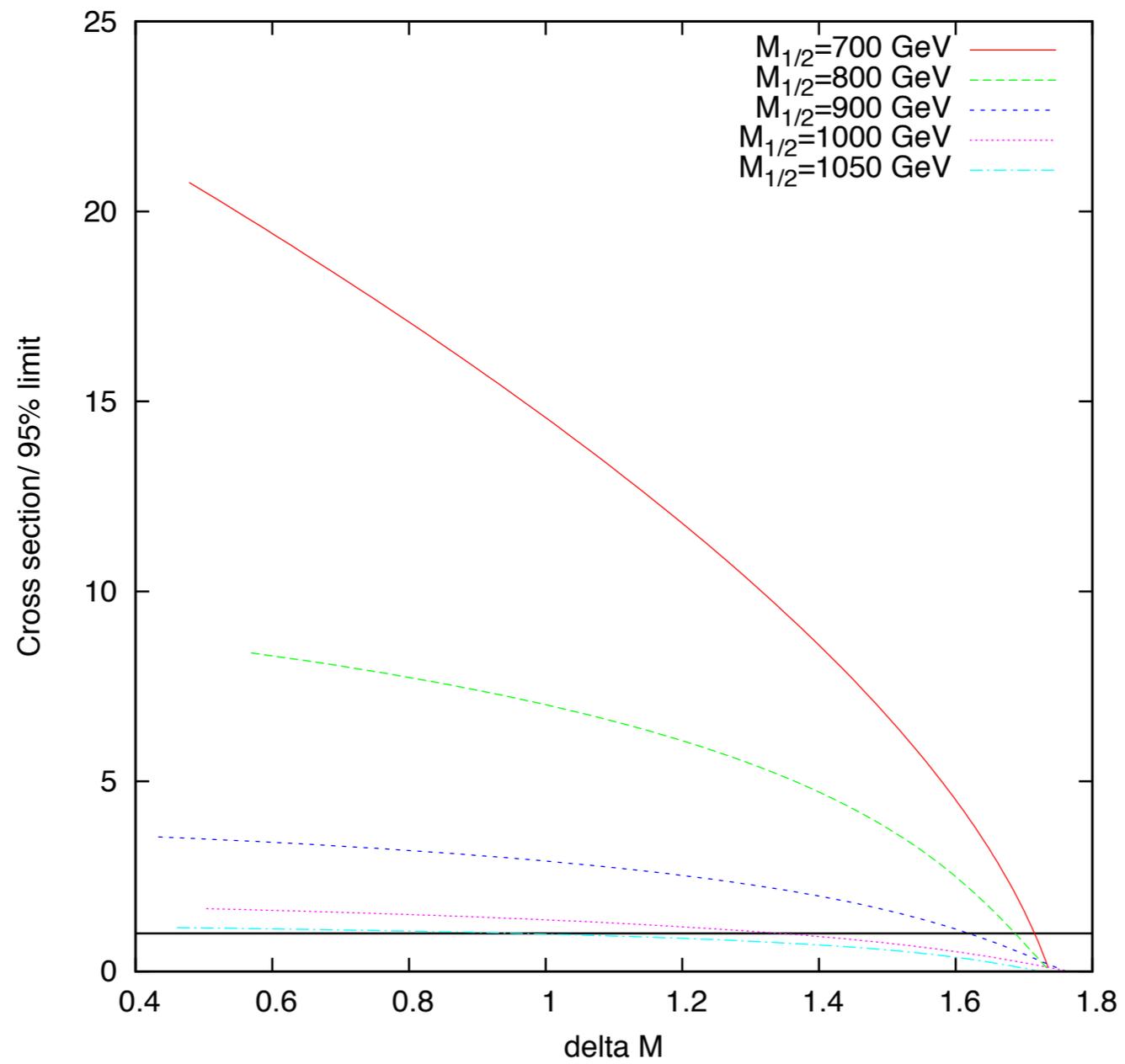
Validation of jets+MET simulation



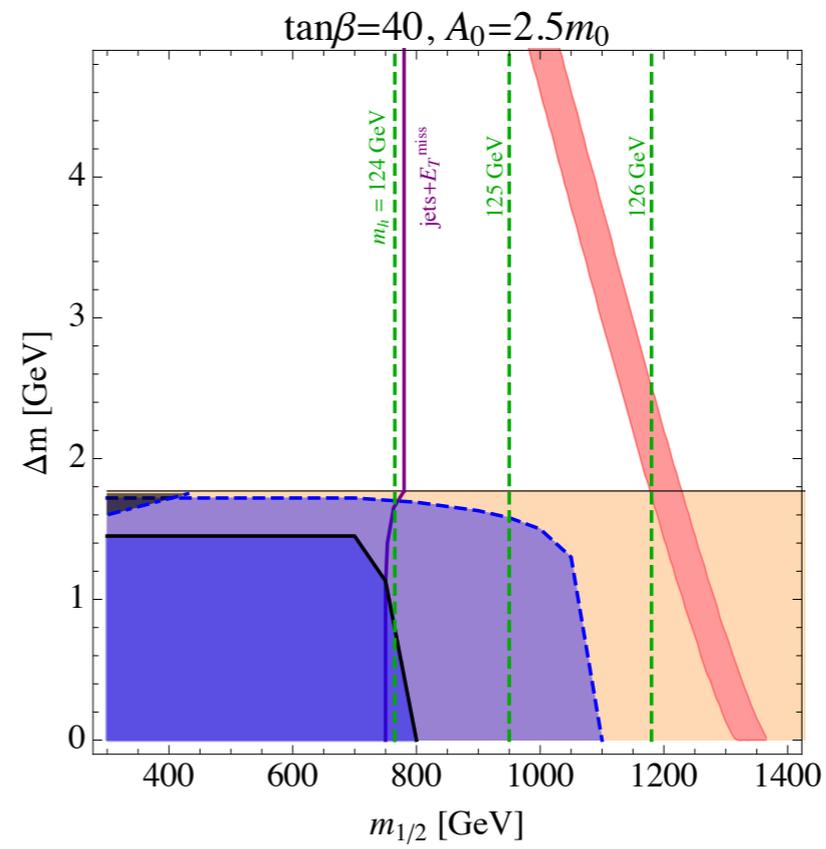
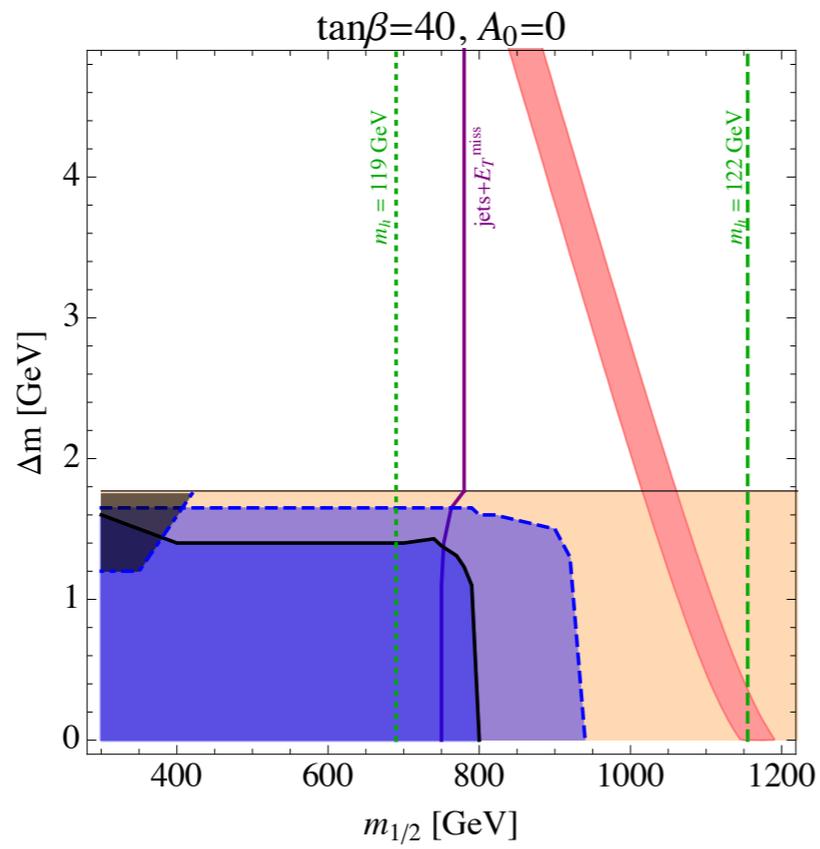
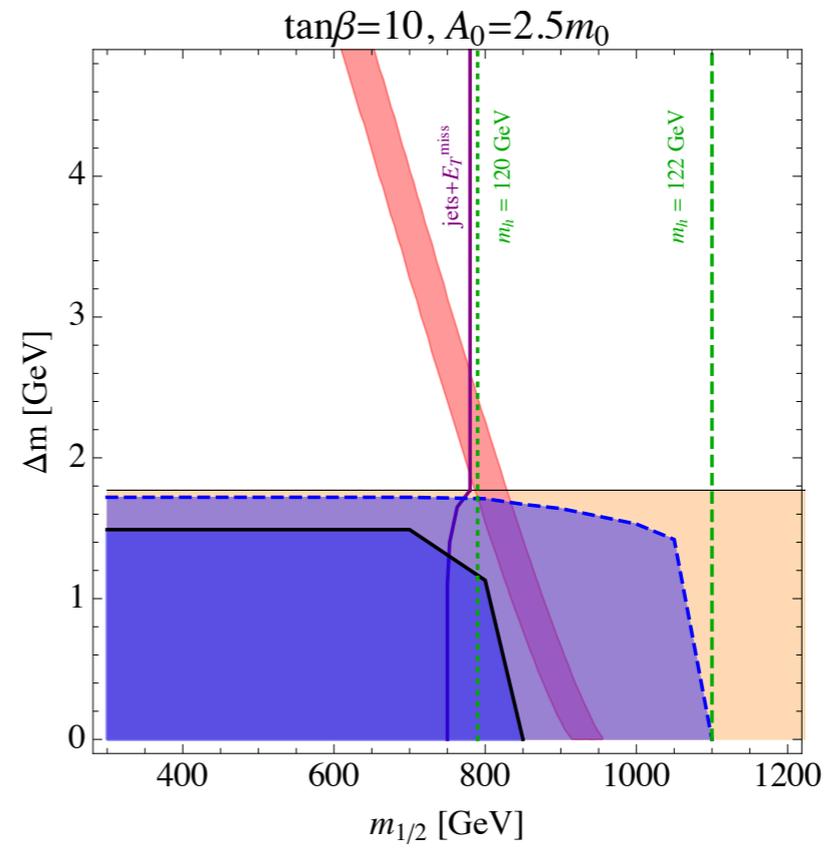
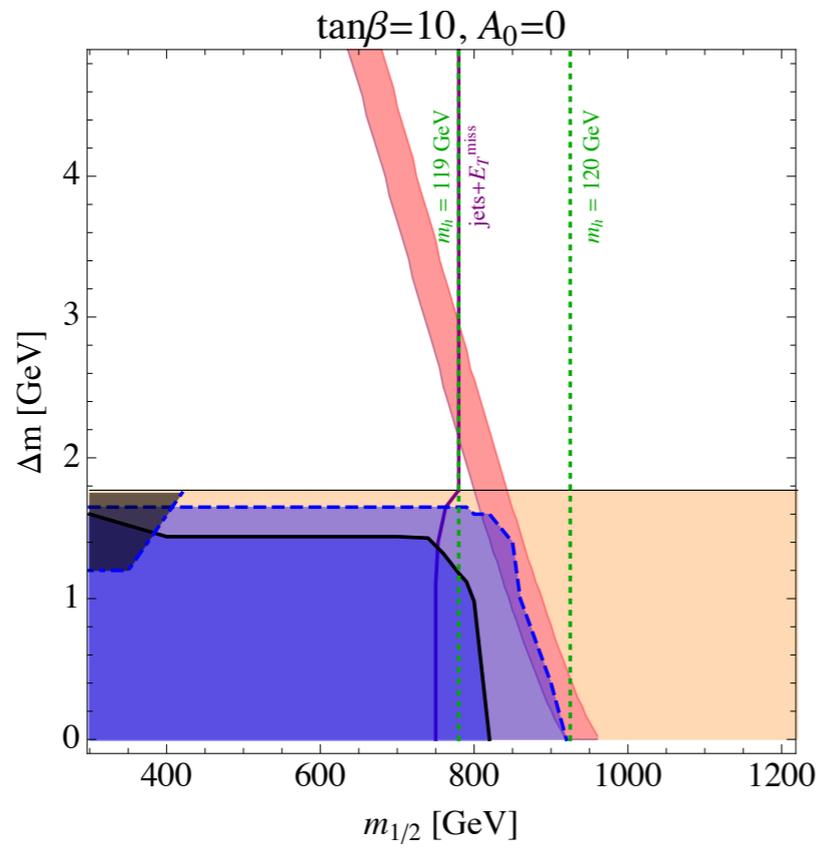
Stau fractions for the search criteria



Exclusions for $\tan \beta = 40; A_0 = 2.5m_0$

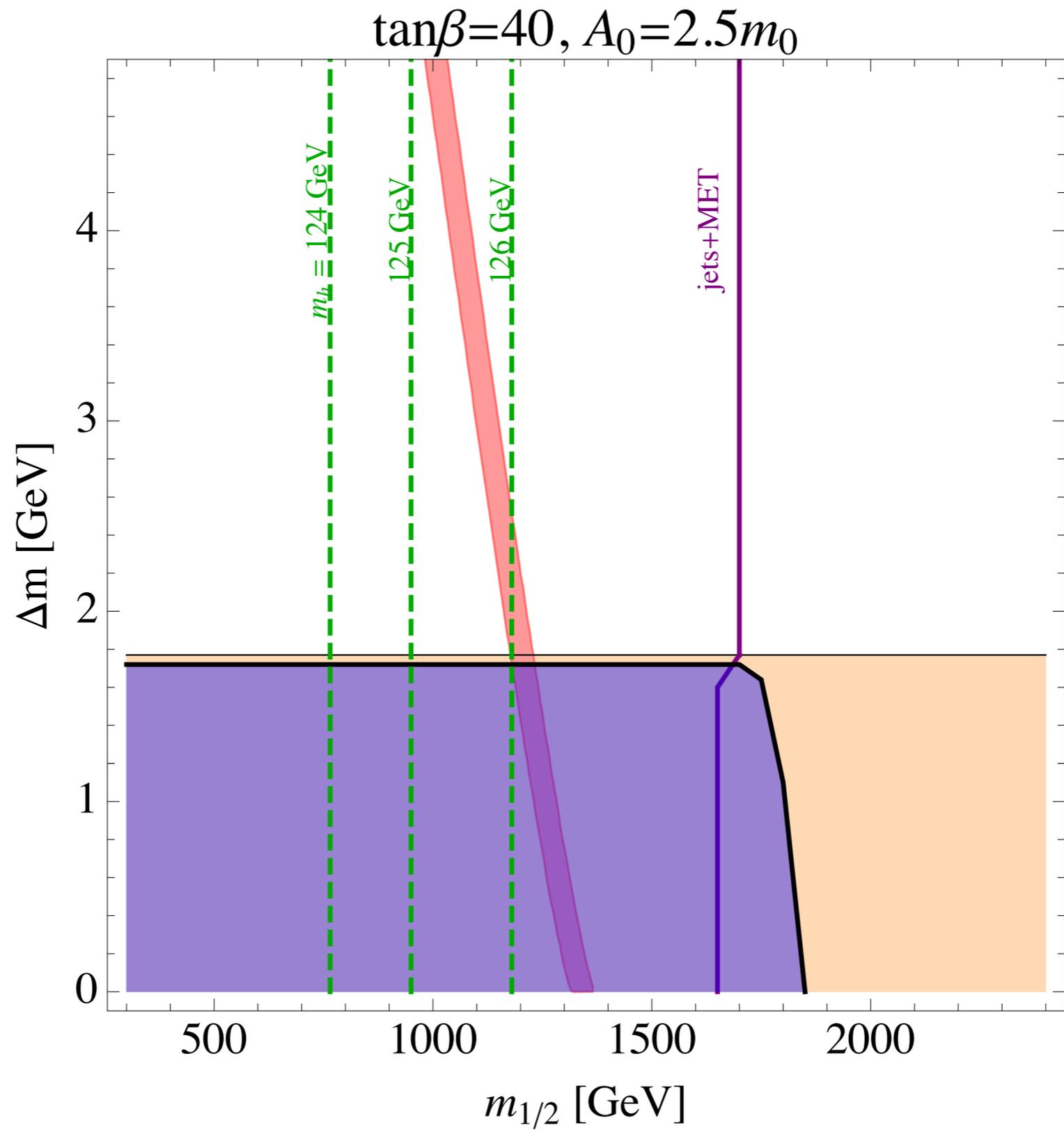


Results



What next?

Predictions for 14 TeV LHC run



Conclusions

- ◆ LHC jets+MET search slightly weakened in region where staus are long-lived. The limit is close to probing the tip of the co-annihilation strip for $\tan\beta = 10$.
- ◆ The stable track search for direct stau production (model ind.) rules out stau masses up to 336 - 345 GeV for $m_{1/2}$ values of 800-850 GeV (**stronger than the MET search!**)
- ◆ This is improved to $m_{1/2}$ values of 930-1100 GeV when all stau production modes are taken into account.
- ◆ The model independent track search will be able to rule out the full strip for $\tan\beta = 40$ with 75 fb^{-1} at 14 TeV.
- ◆ The disappearing track closes the gap between these two, but is not very sensitive, gives $m_{1/2}$ limit of about 400 GeV.