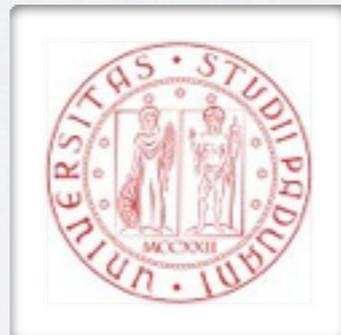




The Galileo Galilei Institute for Theoretical Physics  
Arcetri, Florence

# DISCOVERING LIGHT STOPS IN RPV SUSY

**RICCARDO TORRE**  
**SISSA & PADOVA U. & INFN PADOVA**



SUPPORTED BY THE ERC ADVANCED GRANT “DAMESYFLA” (ELECTROWEAK SYMMETRY  
BREAKING, FLAVOUR AND DARK MATTER: ONE SOLUTION FOR THREE MYSTERIES)

based on R. Franceschini and RT, 1212.3622 [hep-ph]



# ... 48 WAYS TO LEAVE THE MSSM ...

**RICCARDO TORRE**  
**SISSA & PADOVA U. & INFN PADOVA**



**SUPPORTED BY THE ERC ADVANCED GRANT “DAMESYFLA” (ELECTROWEAK SYMMETRY BREAKING, FLAVOUR AND DARK MATTER: ONE SOLUTION FOR THREE MYSTERIES)**

based on R. Franceschini and RT, 1212.3622 [hep-ph]

# OUTLINE

- Introduction & Natural SUSY
- R-parity and its breaking
- Pair production of stops: signal vs background
- Conclusions

# OUTLINE

- Introduction & Natural SUSY
- R-parity and its breaking
- Pair production of stops: signal vs background
- Conclusions

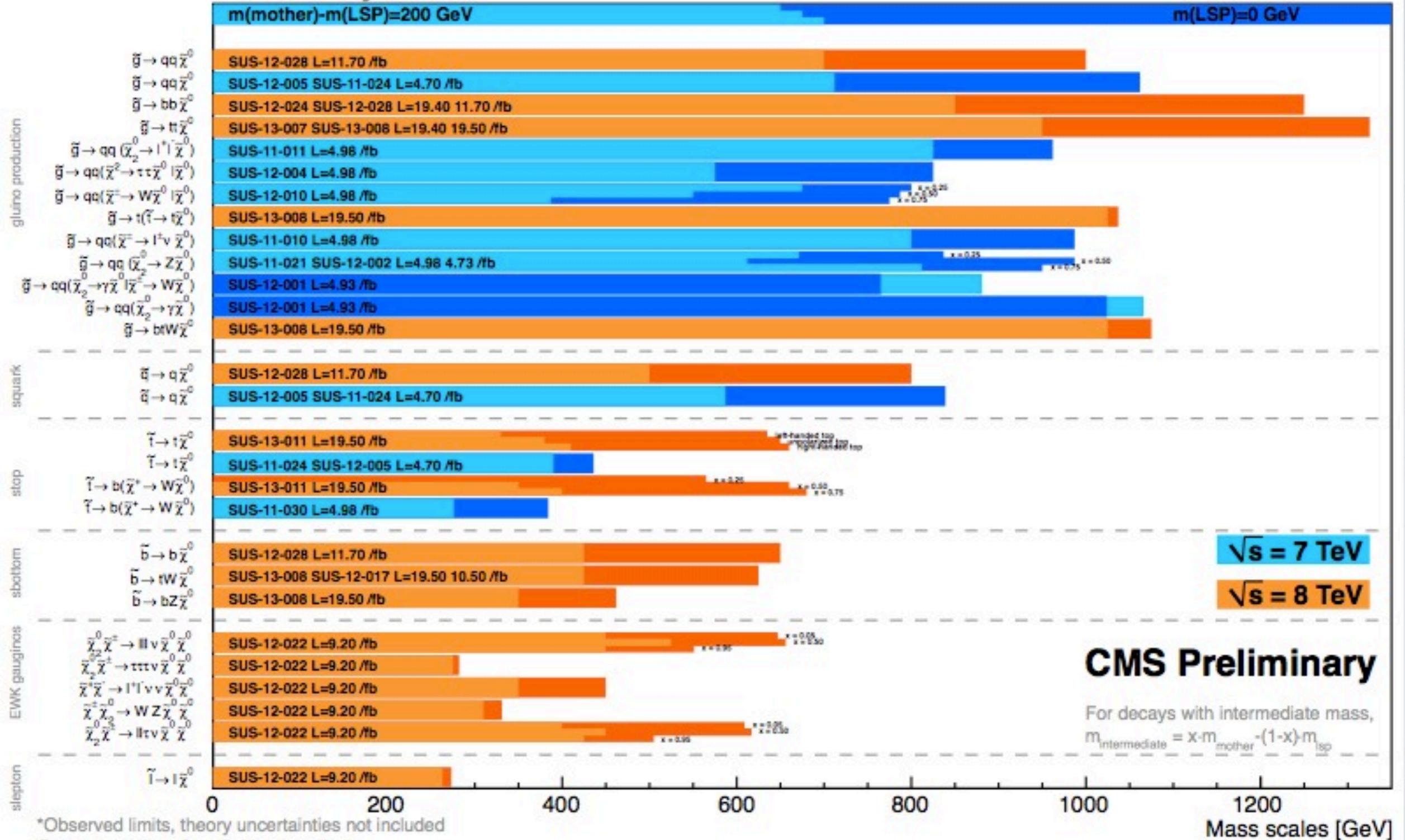
## Left out

- Model building for R-parity violation



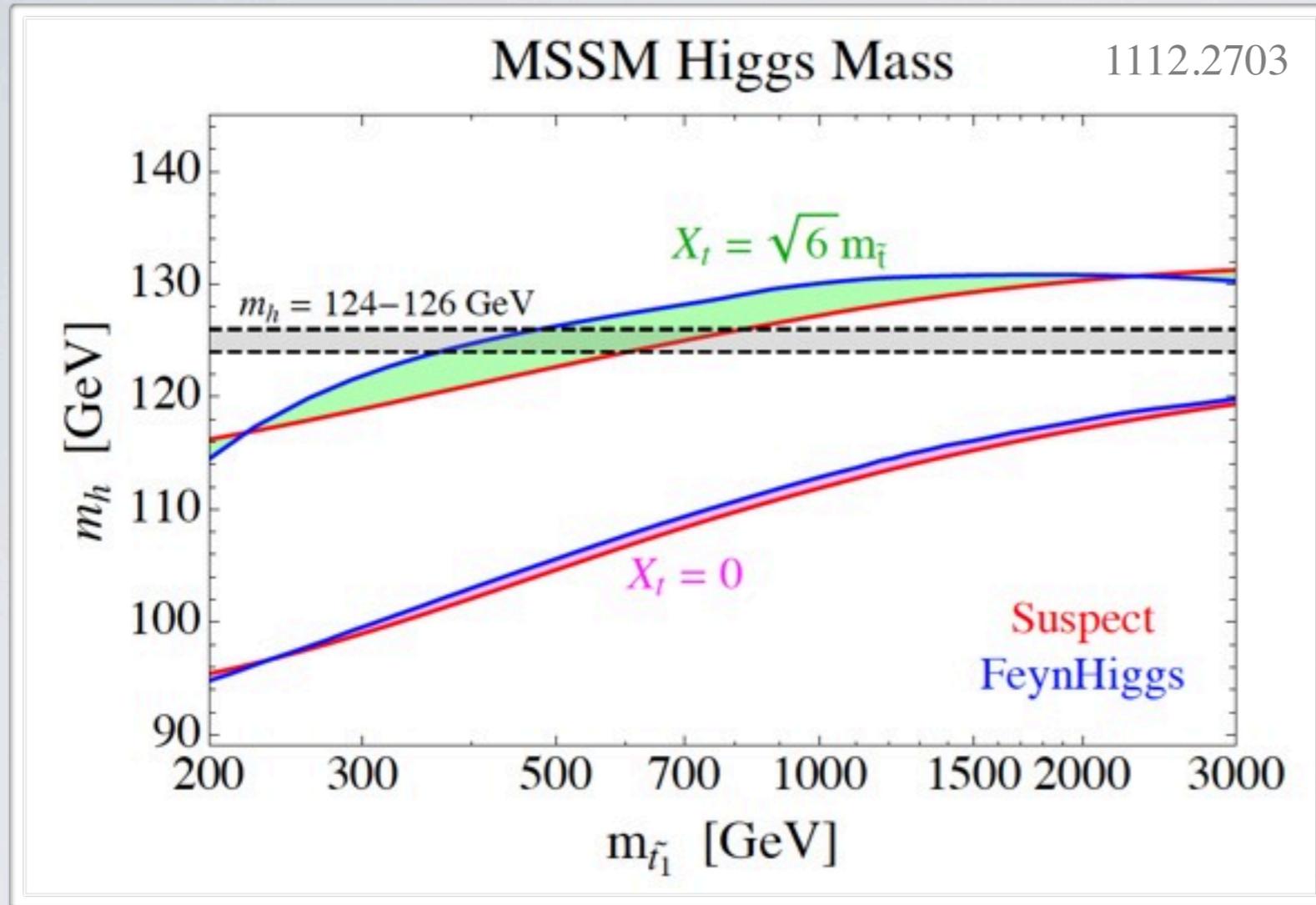
# THE HEALTH OF SUSY

## Summary of CMS SUSY Results\* in SMS framework LHCP 2013



\*Observed limits, theory uncertainties not included  
 Only a selection of available mass limits  
 Probe \*up to\* the quoted mass limit

# THE HIGGS VS THE MSSM



$$m_h \sim 125.5 \text{ GeV}$$



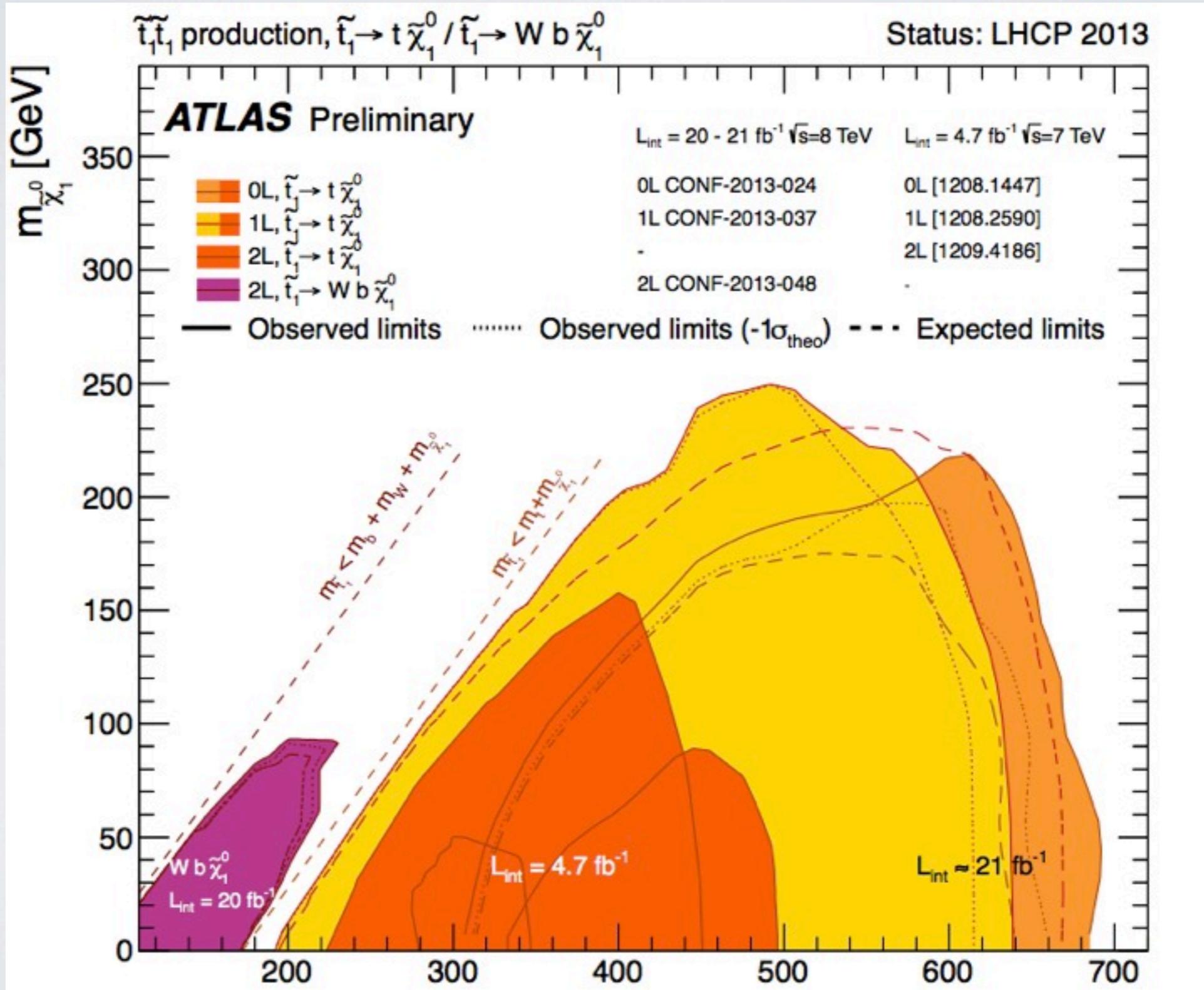
Large stop masses

Close to maximal stop mixing

- The light Higgs boson and the negative results in the searches for superpartners point toward a non-minimal scenario
- A plethora of possible models, so which criterion to follow?

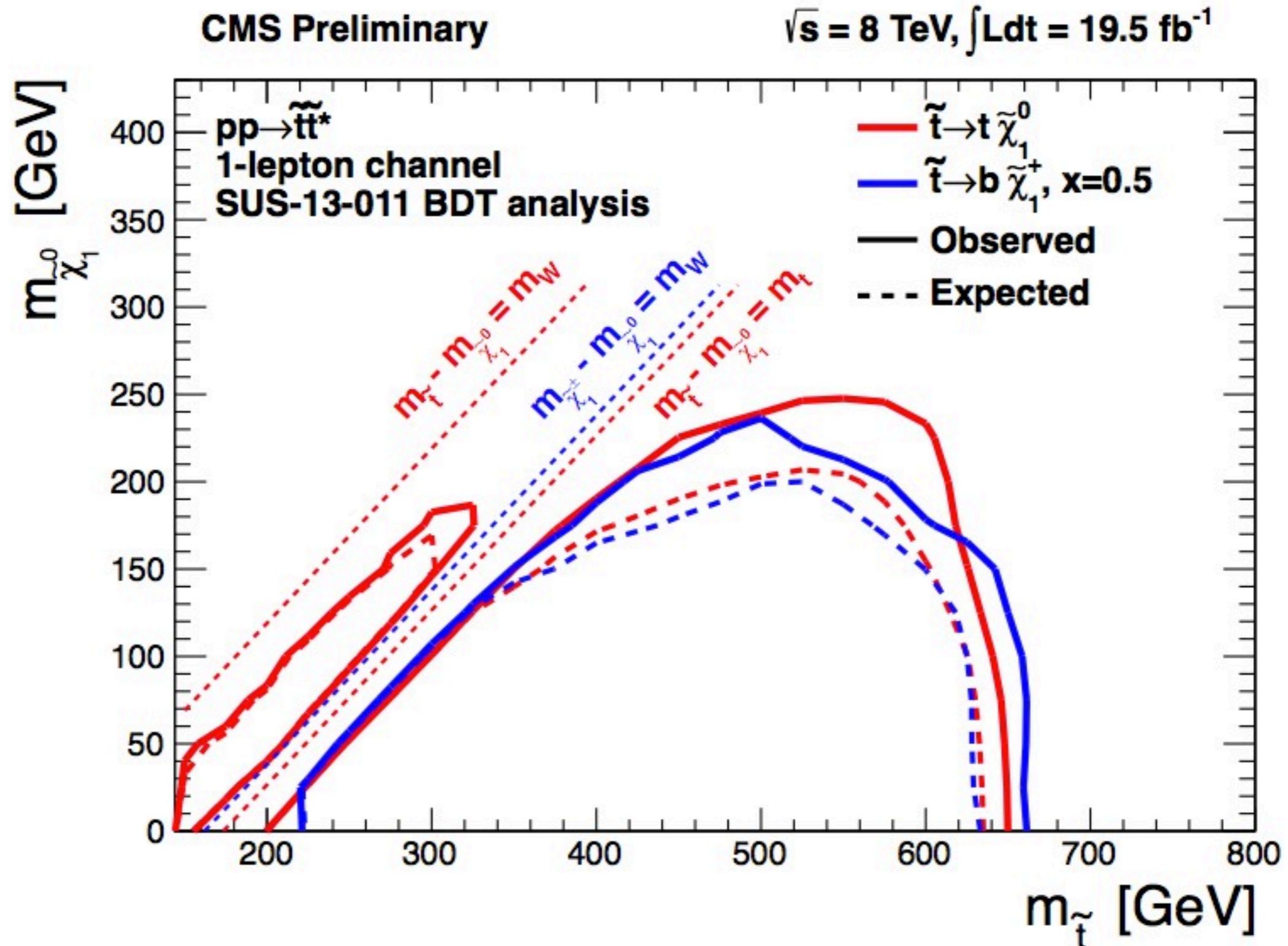
# STOP SEARCHES

- The LHC7/8 has put very strong bounds on third generation squarks



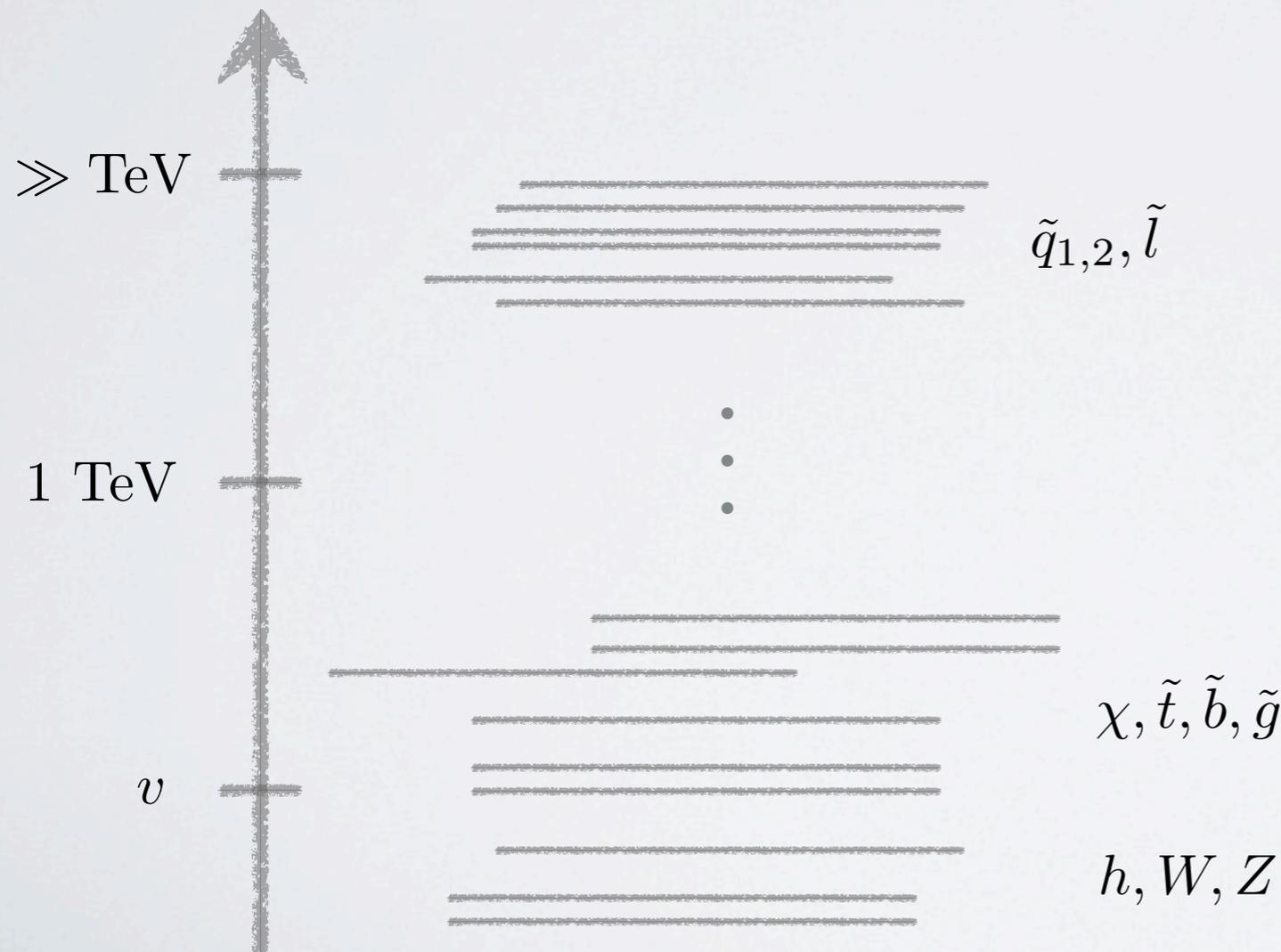
# STOP SEARCHES

- The LHC7/8 has put very strong bounds on third generation squarks



# MSSM $\dashrightarrow$ NATURAL SUSY

- We still want to insist on naturalness and on supersymmetry
- We are interested in an effective SUSY model describing only the physics relevant for the LHC
- These ingredients require only a part of the SUSY spectrum to be at the TeV scale and possible new physics to become relevant at some scale  $\Lambda_{UV}$  not far above the TeV scale



Typical signatures:

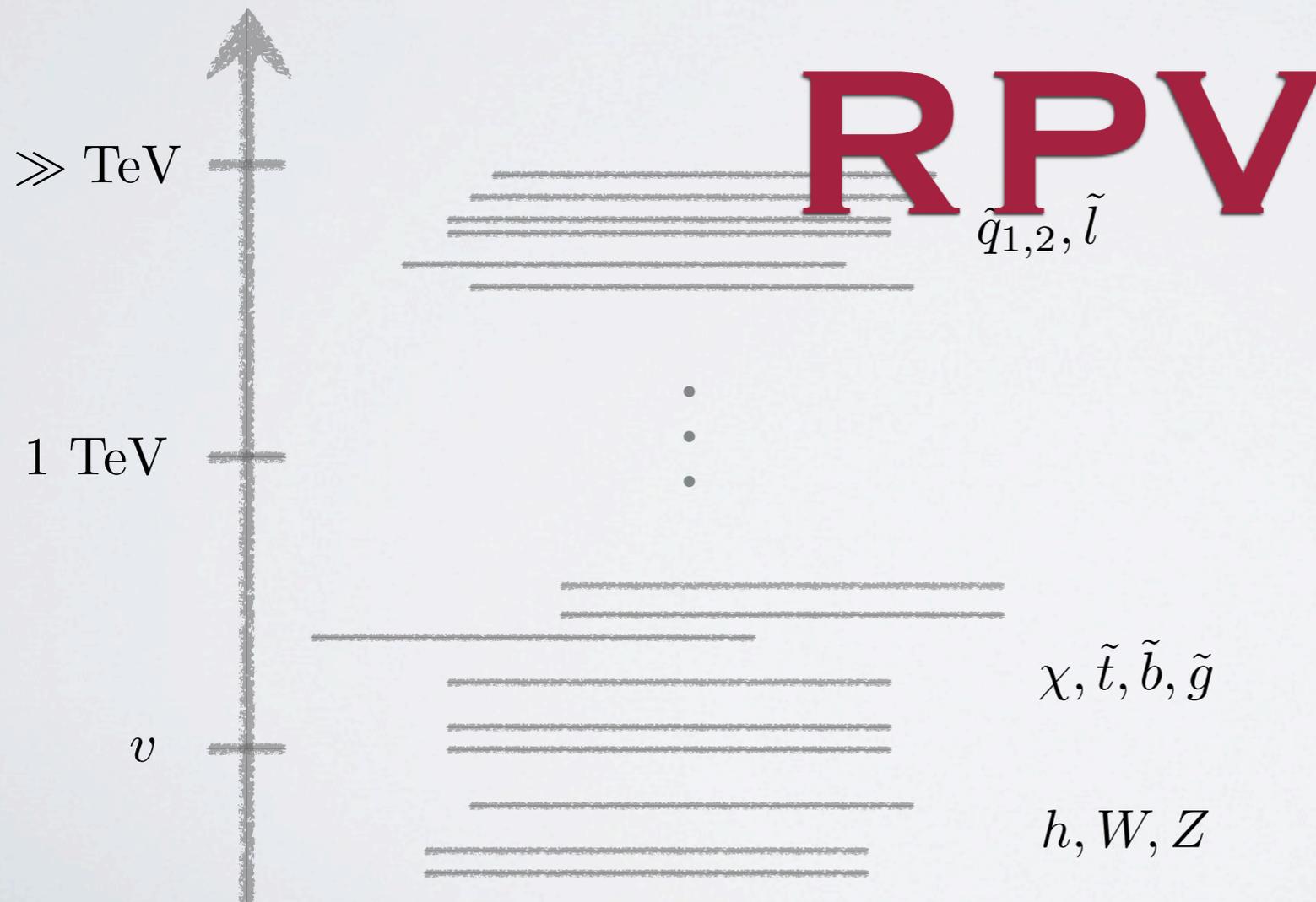
- Heavy flavored final states
- Less missing energy
- Large multiplicities

Alternatives

- Stealth SUSY
- RPV
- ....

# MSSM $\dashrightarrow$ NATURAL SUSY

- We still want to insist on naturalness and on supersymmetry
- We are interested in an effective SUSY model describing only the physics relevant for the LHC
- These ingredients require only a part of the SUSY spectrum to be at the TeV scale and possible new physics to become relevant at some scale  $\Lambda_{UV}$  not far above the TeV scale



Typical signatures:

- Heavy flavored final states
- Less missing energy
- Large multiplicities

Alternatives

- Stealth SUSY
- RPV
- ....

# WHY RPV?... WHY NOT?

- In the SM  $B$  and  $L$  conservation is accidental while in the MSSM gauge invariant, local operators that violate  $B$  and  $L$  can be written at the renormalizable level

$$W_{\mathcal{B}} = \frac{1}{2} \lambda''_{ijk} U_i^c D_j^c D_k^c$$
$$W_{\mathcal{L}} = \mu_i H_u L_i + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{ijk} L_i L_j E_k^c + \frac{1}{2} \lambda'_{ijk} L_i Q_j D_k^c$$

*Dreiner hep-ph/9707435*

*Barbier et al. hep-ph/0406039*

- There is a total of  $9+27+9$  new Yukawas ( $\lambda, \lambda', \lambda''$ ) and 3 new mass parameters ( $\mu_i$ )
- The mixings  $\mu_i$  can be diagonalized away with a suitable field redefinition and is unphysical if no soft terms are present
- When SUSY is broken however, the mixing will reappear in the dim=2 ~~SUSY~~ soft terms generating RPV mass terms
- To forbid these operators a symmetry called  $R$ -parity is required, where

$$R_P = (-1)^{2S+3(B-L)}$$

- SM particles have even  $R$ -parity while superpartners, i.e. squarks, sleptons, higgsinos and gauginos have odd  $R$ -parity

# WHY RPV?... WHY NOT?

- Giving up with  $R$ -parity generates a lot of problems

1.  $B$  and  $L$  violation
2. Proton decay ( $\lambda'' \cdot \lambda' < 10^{-24}$ )
3. Experimental constraints (charged current universality, masse of  $\nu_e$ ,  $0\nu 2\beta$  decay, atomic parity violation,  $\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow e\nu\bar{\nu})/\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\bar{\nu})$ ,  $D^0 - \bar{D}^0$  mixing,  $n - \bar{n}$  oscillation, di-nucleon decay,  $\Gamma(\pi \rightarrow e\bar{\nu})/\Gamma(\pi \rightarrow \mu\bar{\nu})$ ,  $\text{BR}(D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^{0*}\mu^+\nu_\mu)/\text{BR}(D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^{0*}e^+\nu_e)$ ,  $\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow \pi\nu_\tau)$ ,  $\nu_\mu$  DIS)

- However  $R$ -parity is not enough to forbid  $B$  and  $L$  violating HDO and in effective SUSY models one could expect the scale that suppresses these operators to be lower than the GUT scale

$$W_{\text{HDO}} \supset \frac{k}{\Lambda_{p\text{-decay}}} U U D E$$

- In this case proton decay becomes an issue even with  $R$ -parity for  $\Lambda_{\text{RPV}} < M_{\text{GUT}}$
- In the framework of Natural SUSY RPV is less constrained than RPC
- RPV provides very peculiar phenomenology (due to the absence of MET)
- However, some model building to predict the couplings and the flavor structure is necessary (e.g. MFV, gauged flavor symmetry, partial compositeness, etc.) [Berenzhiani 1985](#), [Grinstein, Redi, Villadoro 1009.2049](#), [Krnjaic, Stolarski 1212.4860](#), [Csaki, Grossman, Heidenreich 1111.1239](#), [Karen-Zur, Lodone, Nardecchia, Pappadopulo, Rattazzi, Vecchi 1205.5803](#), [Franceschini, Mohapatra 1301.3637](#), [Csaki, Heidenreich 1302.0004](#)

# WHY RPV?... WHY NOT?

- Giving up with  $R$ -parity generates a lot of problems

1.  $B$  and  $L$  violation
2. Proton decay ( $\lambda'' \cdot \lambda' < 10^{-24}$ )
3. Experimental constraints (charged current universality, masse of  $\nu_e, 0\nu 2\beta$  decay, atomic parity violation,  $\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow e\nu\bar{\nu})/\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\bar{\nu}), D^0 - \bar{D}^0$  mixing,  $n - \bar{n}$  oscillation, di-nucleon decay,  $\Gamma(\pi \rightarrow e\bar{\nu})/\Gamma(\pi \rightarrow \mu\bar{\nu}), \text{BR}(D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^{0*}\mu^+\nu_\mu)/\text{BR}(D^+ \rightarrow \bar{K}^{0*}e^+\nu_e), \text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow \pi\nu_\tau), \nu_\mu \text{ DIS}$ )

- Considering only  $B$  breaking but not  $L$  breaking the main bounds are the following

$ \lambda''_{uds}  < O(10^{-5})$	$NN \rightarrow K^+K^+$	$ \lambda''_{cdb}\lambda''_{csb}  < O(10^{-3})$	$K - \bar{K}$ oscillation
$ \lambda''_{udb}  < O(10^{-2})$	$n - \bar{n}$ oscillation	$ \lambda''_{tdb}\lambda''_{tsb}  < O(10^{-3})$	$K - \bar{K}$ oscillation
$ \lambda''_{tds}  < O(10^{-1})$	$n - \bar{n}$ oscillation	$ \lambda''_{ids}\lambda''_{idb}  < O(10^{-1})$	$B^+ \rightarrow K^0\pi^+$
$ \lambda''_{tdb}  < O(10^{-1})$	$n - \bar{n}$ oscillation	$ \lambda''_{ids}\lambda''_{isb}  < O(10^{-3})$	$B^- \rightarrow \phi\pi^-$

$\lambda'' < 3 \times 10^{-7}$  for  $m_{\tilde{f}} \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$  cosmological bound

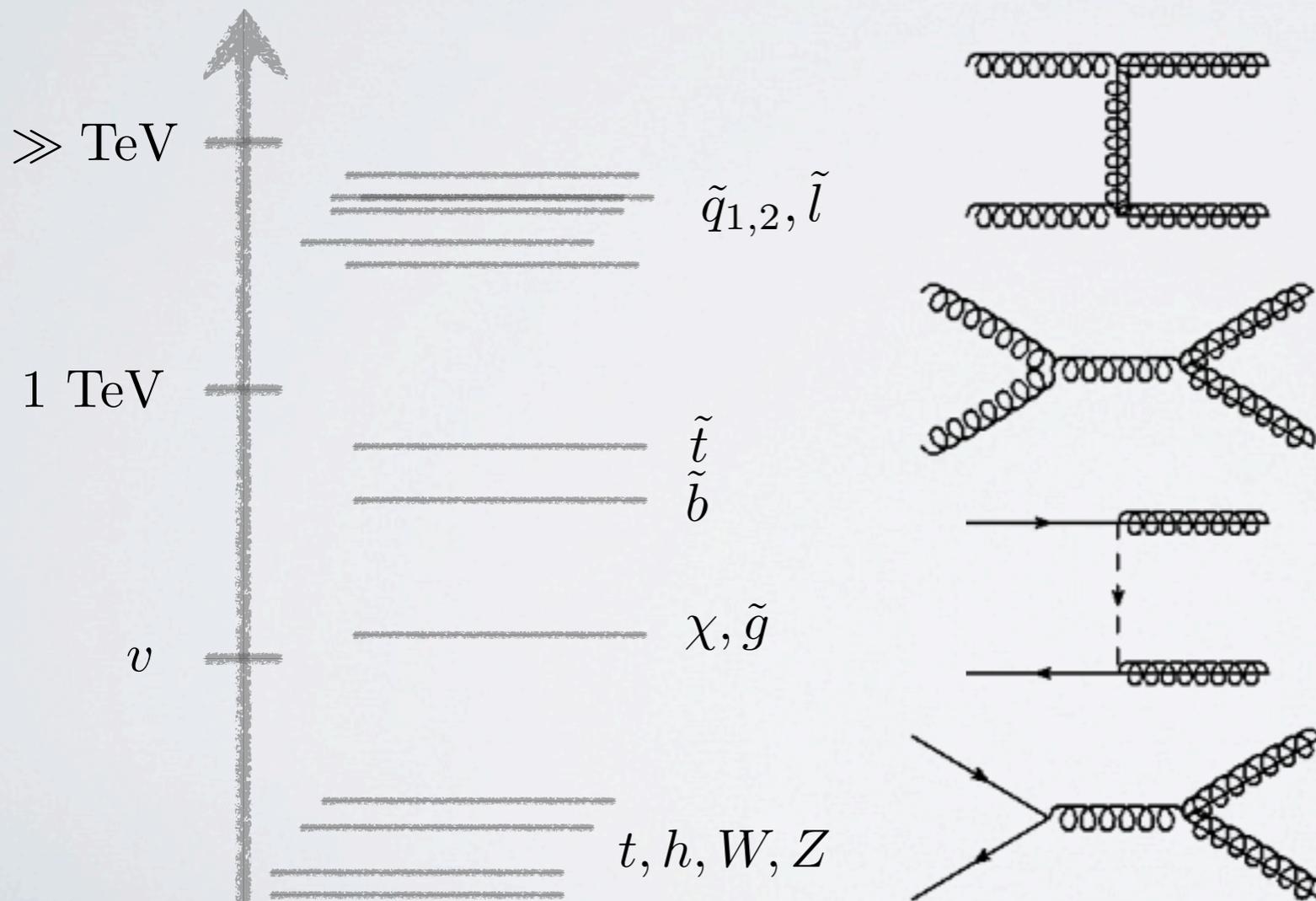
[Barbier et al. hep-ph/0406039](#)

[Di Luzio, Nardecchia, Romanino 1305.7034](#)

- Unification has been usually considered an issue but recently a natural solution has been presented in the context of  $SO(10)$  with an adjoint vev along  $T_{3R}$  or  $B - L$  ([Di Luzio, Nardecchia, Romanino 1305.7034](#))
- The absence of a stable LSP also implies the lack for a WIMP DM candidate but solutions are possible (axions)

# SIGNATURES

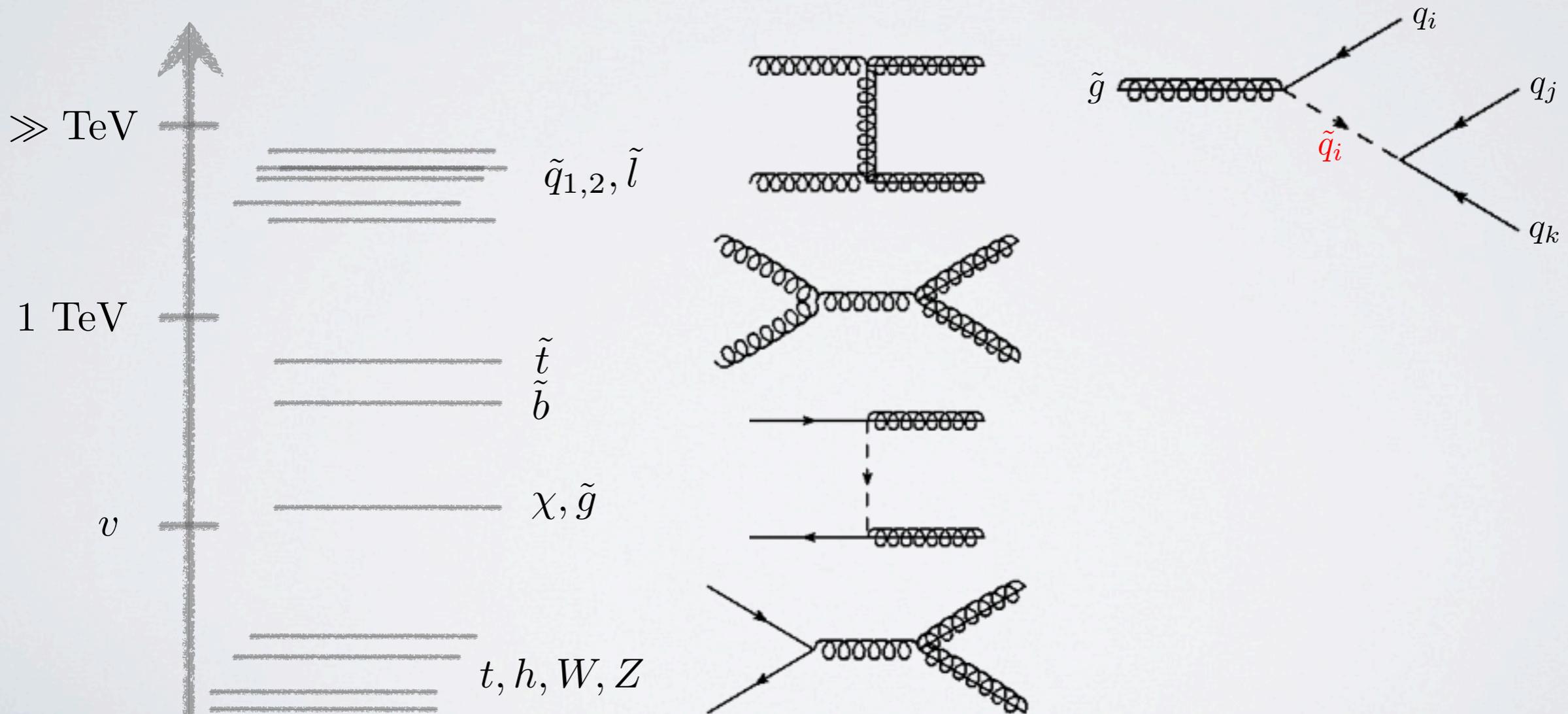
- Collider signatures of RPV strongly depend on the spectrum (light states and LSP)
- Leptonic RPV more constrained due to many leptons in final states
- Hadronic RPV gives more “jetty” final states and therefore is less constrained
- We focus on hadronic RPV ( $L$  conservation can still protect proton decay)
- QCD pair production of colored superpartners ( $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}, \tilde{b}\tilde{b}, \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$ ) main prod. mechanism



*Han, Katz, Son, Tweedie 1211.4025*

# SIGNATURES

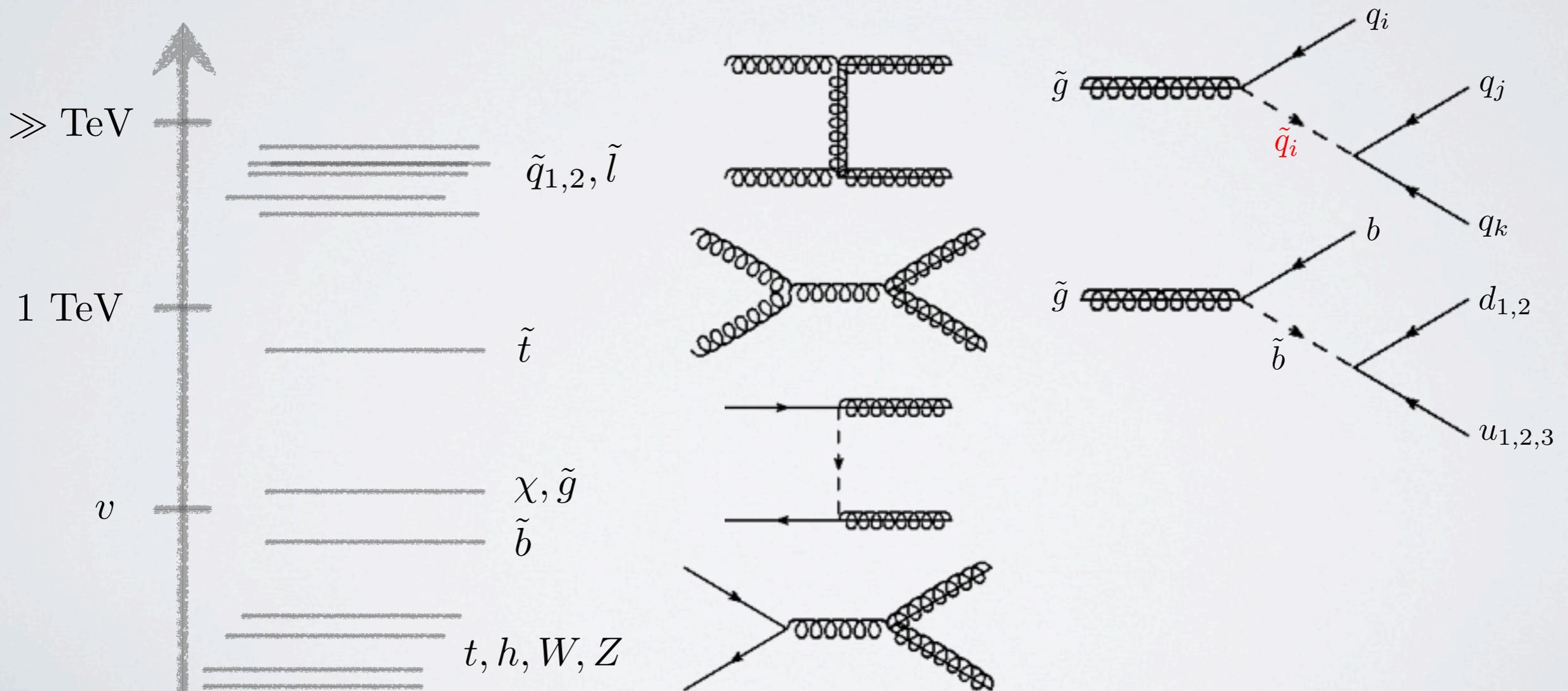
- Collider signatures of RPV strongly depend on the spectrum (light states and LSP)
- Leptonic RPV more constrained due to many leptons in final states
- Hadronic RPV gives more “jetty” final states and therefore is less constrained
- We focus on hadronic RPV ( $L$  conservation can still protect proton decay)
- QCD pair production of colored superpartners ( $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}, \tilde{b}\tilde{b}, \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$ ) main prod. mechanism



Han, Katz, Son, Tweedie 1211.4025

# SIGNATURES

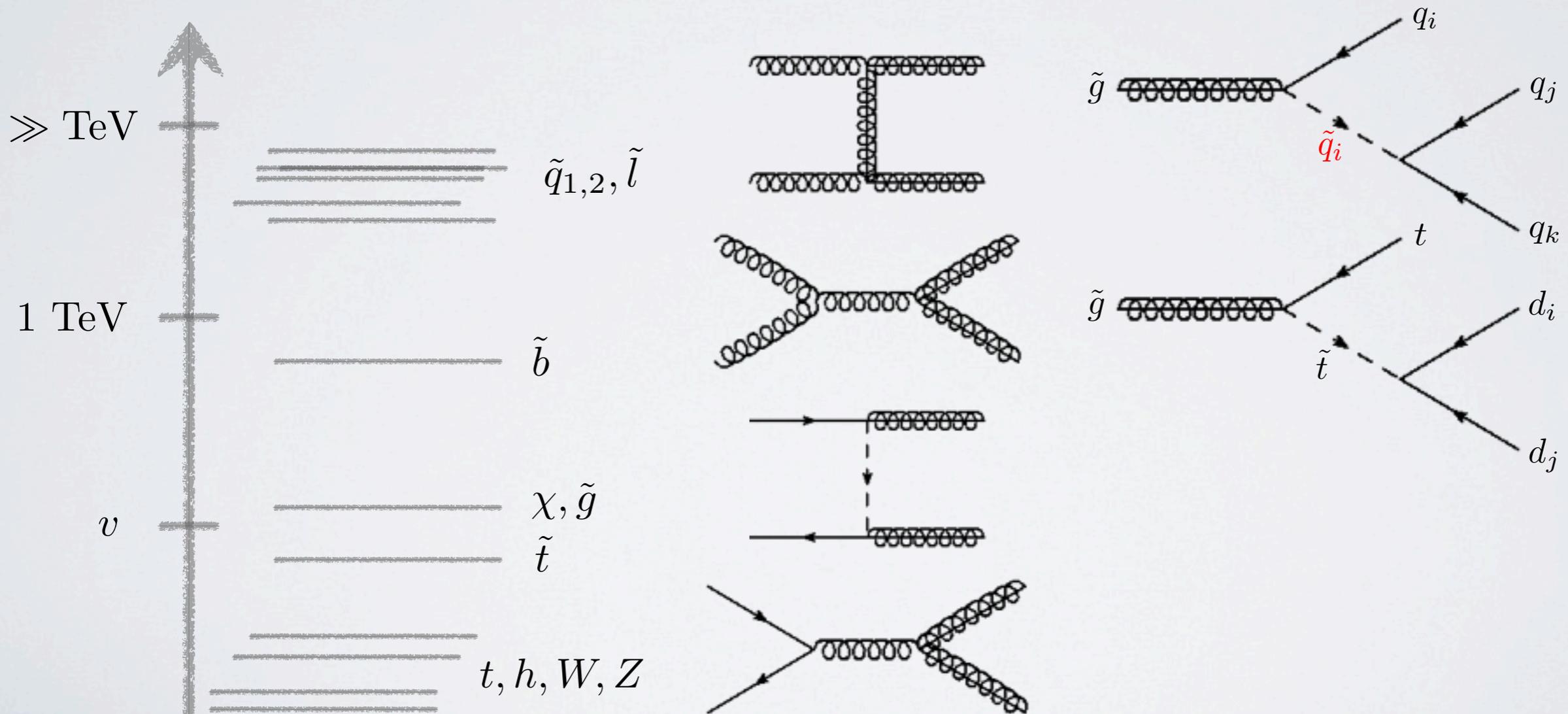
- Collider signatures of RPV strongly depend on the spectrum (light states and LSP)
- Leptonic RPV more constrained due to many leptons in final states
- Hadronic RPV gives more “jetty” final states and therefore is less constrained
- We focus on hadronic RPV ( $L$  conservation can still protect proton decay)
- QCD pair production of colored superpartners ( $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}, \tilde{b}\tilde{b}, \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$ ) main prod. mechanism



*Han, Katz, Son, Tweedie 1211.4025*

# SIGNATURES

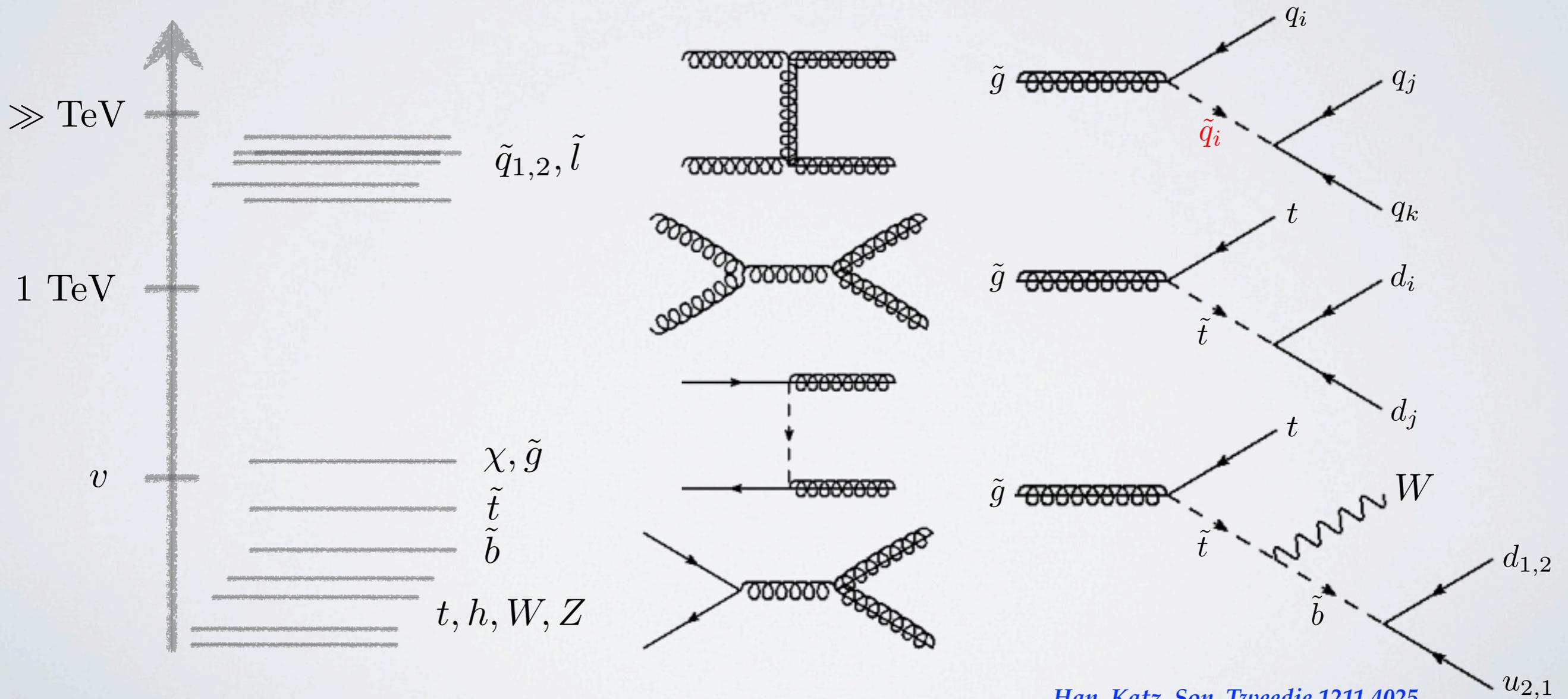
- Collider signatures of RPV strongly depend on the spectrum (light states and LSP)
- Leptonic RPV more constrained due to many leptons in final states
- Hadronic RPV gives more “jetty” final states and therefore is less constrained
- We focus on hadronic RPV ( $L$  conservation can still protect proton decay)
- QCD pair production of colored superpartners ( $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}, \tilde{b}\tilde{b}, \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$ ) main prod. mechanism



Han, Katz, Son, Tweedie 1211.4025

# SIGNATURES

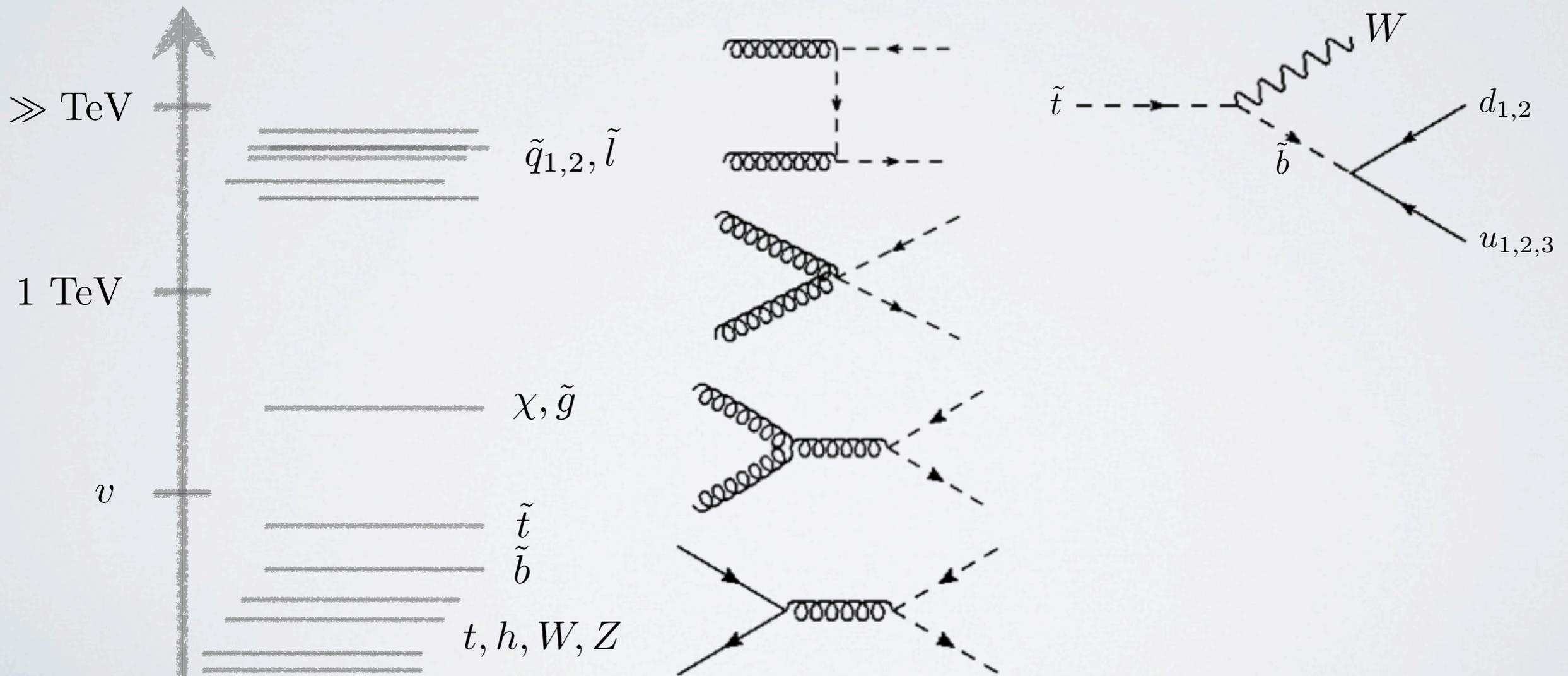
- Collider signatures of RPV strongly depend on the spectrum (light states and LSP)
- Leptonic RPV more constrained due to many leptons in final states
- Hadronic RPV gives more “jetty” final states and therefore is less constrained
- We focus on hadronic RPV ( $L$  conservation can still protect proton decay)
- QCD pair production of colored superpartners ( $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}, \tilde{b}\tilde{b}, \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$ ) main prod. mechanism



Han, Katz, Son, Tweedie 1211.4025

# SIGNATURES

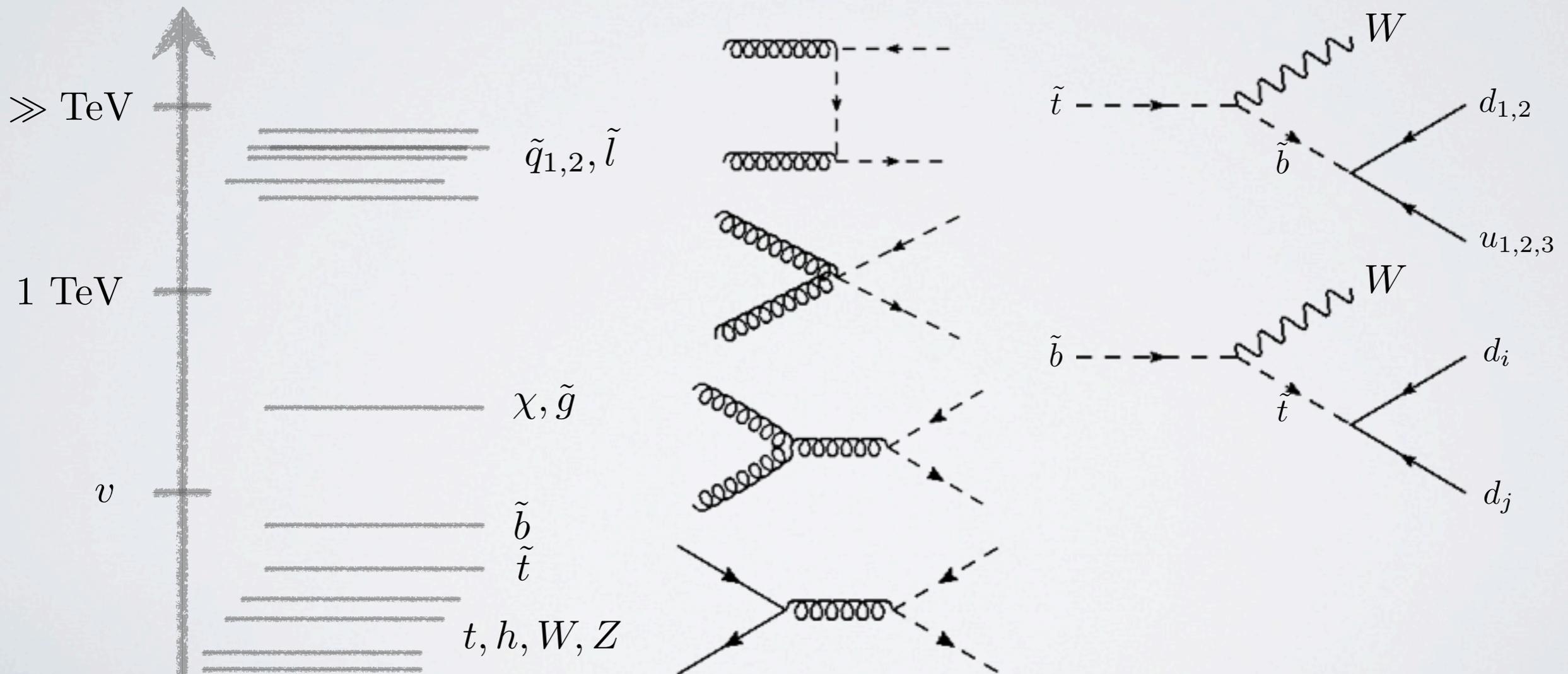
- Collider signatures of RPV strongly depend on the spectrum (light states and LSP)
- Leptonic RPV more constrained due to many leptons in final states
- Hadronic RPV gives more “jetty” final states and therefore is less constrained
- We focus on hadronic RPV ( $L$  conservation can still protect proton decay)
- QCD pair production of colored superpartners ( $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}, \tilde{b}\tilde{b}, \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$ ) main prod. mechanism



*Brust, Katz, Sundrum 1206.2353*

# SIGNATURES

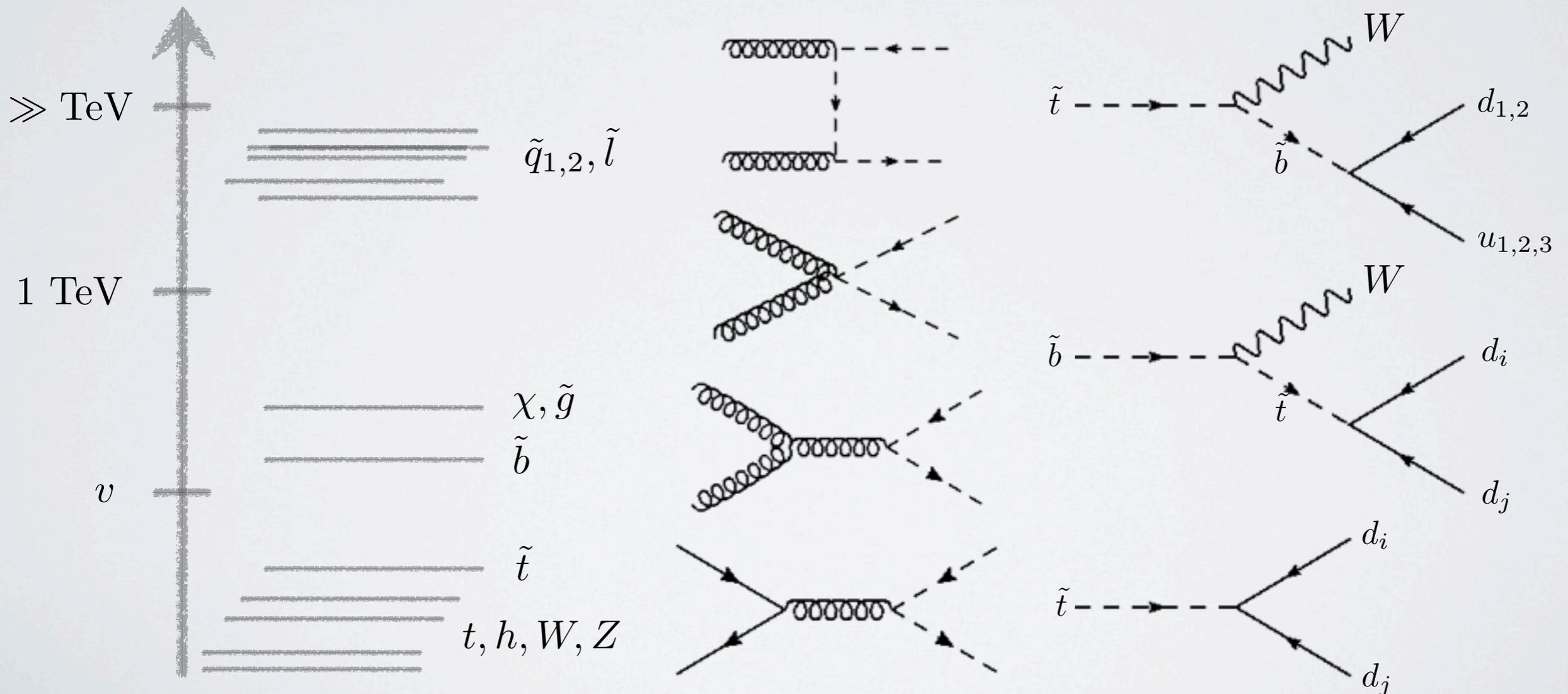
- Collider signatures of RPV strongly depend on the spectrum (light states and LSP)
- Leptonic RPV more constrained due to many leptons in final states
- Hadronic RPV gives more “jetty” final states and therefore is less constrained
- We focus on hadronic RPV ( $L$  conservation can still protect proton decay)
- QCD pair production of colored superpartners ( $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}, \tilde{b}\tilde{b}, \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$ ) main prod. mechanism



*Brust, Katz, Sundrum 1206.2353*

# SIGNATURES

- Collider signatures of RPV strongly depend on the spectrum (light states and LSP)
- Leptonic RPV more constrained due to many leptons in final states
- Hadronic RPV gives more “jetty” final states and therefore is less constrained
- We focus on hadronic RPV ( $L$  conservation can still protect proton decay)
- QCD pair production of colored superpartners ( $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}, \tilde{b}\tilde{b}, \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$ ) main prod. mechanism



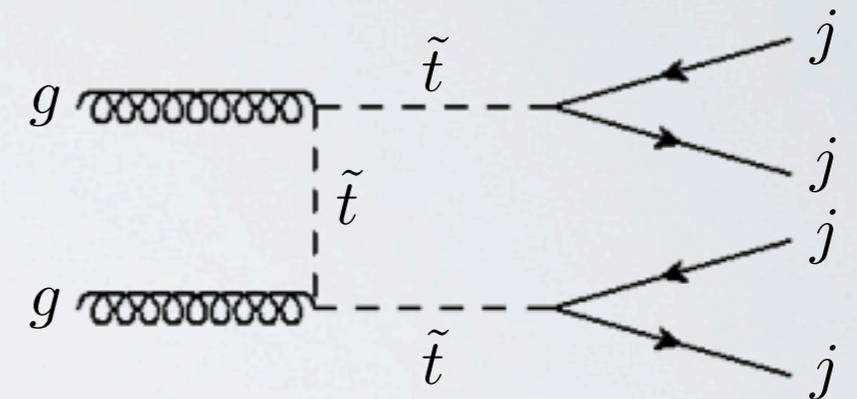
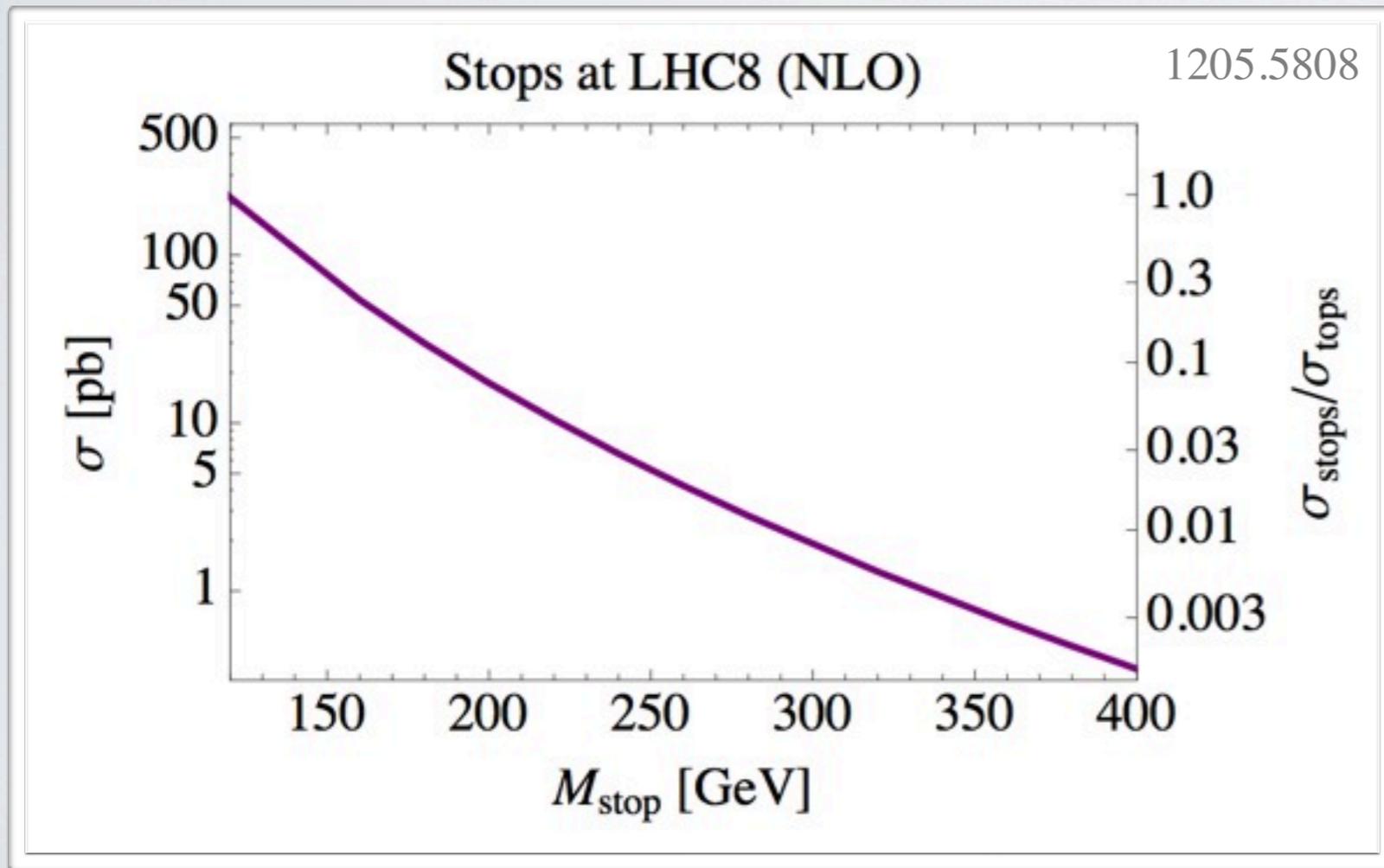


# STOP PAIR PRODUCTION

Choudhury, Datta, Maity 1106.5114

Franceschini, RT 1212.3622

- We have seen that RPV couplings are bounded to be very small
- Single production of superpartners is therefore strongly suppressed
- Pair production however depends only on QCD interactions and it's fixed by the strong quantum numbers



- The LHC is not yet sensitive to the stop pair production CS in the present analyses
- The background is huge, and heavy flavor tagging is crucial in this case

# STOP DECAY

- The stop BRs into different flavor di-quark final states are model dependent
- The structure of the baryon number violating couplings  $\lambda''$  is given, in explicit constructions (MFV, gauged flavor symmetry, partial compositeness, etc) by the expression

$$\lambda'' \sim V_{il}^{\text{CKM}} \left( \frac{m_{u_i} m_{d_j} m_{d_k}}{m_t^3} \right)^\mu \epsilon_{ljk}$$

- This expression depends only on CKM matrix elements, quark masses and a model dependent parameter  $\mu$  (the overall factor is a free parameter)

$\mu = 1$	$\text{BR}(\tilde{t} \rightarrow bd + bs) \approx 99\%$	$SU(3)_{Q,L,d,u,e,\nu}$ $SU(3)_{Q,Q^c,L,L^c}$ MFV Partial Comp.	<a href="#">Csaki, Grossman, Heidenreich 1111.1239</a> <a href="#">Krnjaic, Stolarski 1212.4860</a> <a href="#">Karen-Zur, Lodone, Nardecchia, Pappadopulo, Rattazzi, Vecchi 1205.5803</a>
$\mu = \frac{1}{2}$	$\text{BR}(\tilde{t} \rightarrow bd + bs) \approx 14\%$	$SU(3)_{V,q,l}$	<a href="#">Franceschini, Mohapatra 1301.3637</a>

- For small BRs into heavy flavors searches are very difficult, but assuming large BRs into heavy flavors stop pair production can be observed at the LHC

# STOP DECAY

$\mu = 1$	$\text{BR}(\tilde{t} \rightarrow bd + bs) \approx 99\%$	$SU(3)_{Q,L,d,u,e,\nu}$ $SU(3)_{Q,Q^c,L,L^c}$ MFV Partial Comp.	<i>Csaki, Grossman, Heidenreich 1111.1239</i> <i>Krnjaic, Stolarski 1212.4860</i> <i>Karen-Zur, Lodone, Nardecchia, Pappadopulo, Rattazzi, Vecchi 1205.5803</i>
$\mu = \frac{1}{2}$	$\text{BR}(\tilde{t} \rightarrow bd + bs) \approx 14\%$	$SU(3)_{V,q,l}$	<i>Franceschini, Mohapatra 1301.3637</i>

- For  $\mu = 1$  we get (low  $\tan \beta$ )

	$bs$	$bd$	$ds$
$t$	$1.46 \times 10^{-7}$	$3.97 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.05 \times 10^{-8}$
$c$	$1.76 \times 10^{-8}$	$4.8 \times 10^{-9}$	$5.81 \times 10^{-12}$
$u$	$2.4 \times 10^{-10}$	$3.17 \times 10^{-12}$	$3.83 \times 10^{-15}$

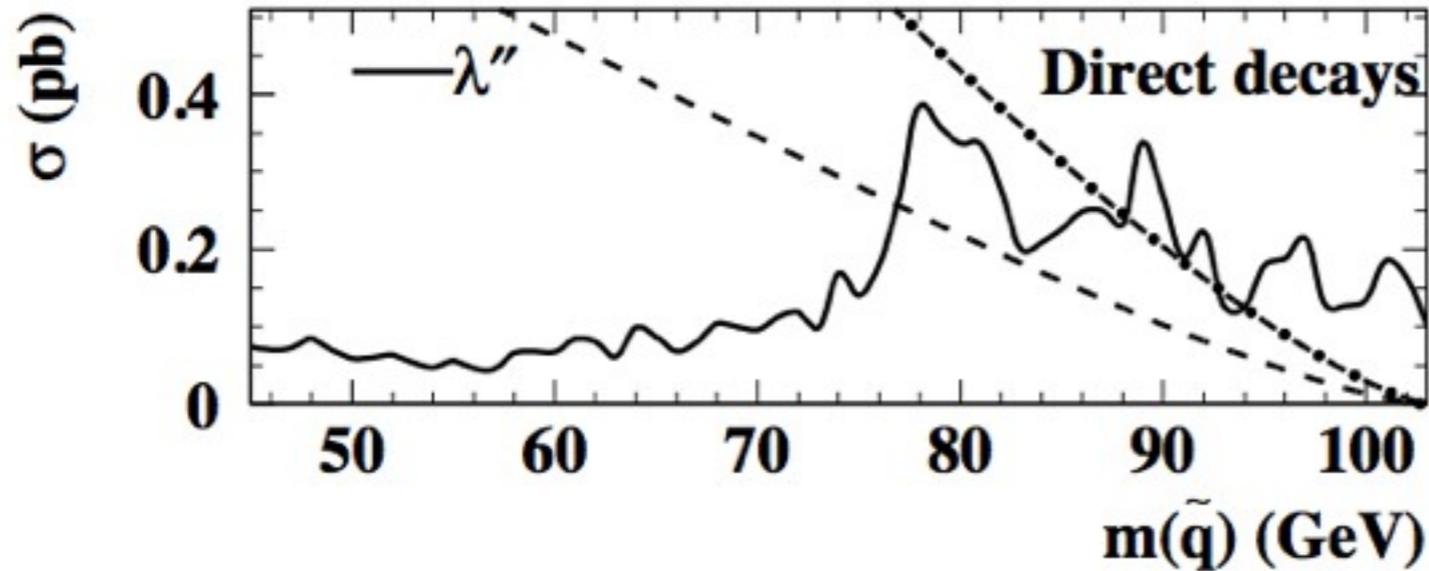
- So all the bounds on hadronic RPV can be easily satisfied
- The decay length is given by

$$L = 2 \text{ mm}(\beta\gamma) \left( \frac{500 \text{ GeV}}{m_{\tilde{q}}} \right) \left( \frac{0.9 \times 10^{-7}}{\lambda''} \right)^2$$

- So that prompt decay requires  $\lambda'' \gtrsim 10^{-7}$

# CURRENT LIMITS: LEP + TEVATRON

## OPAL



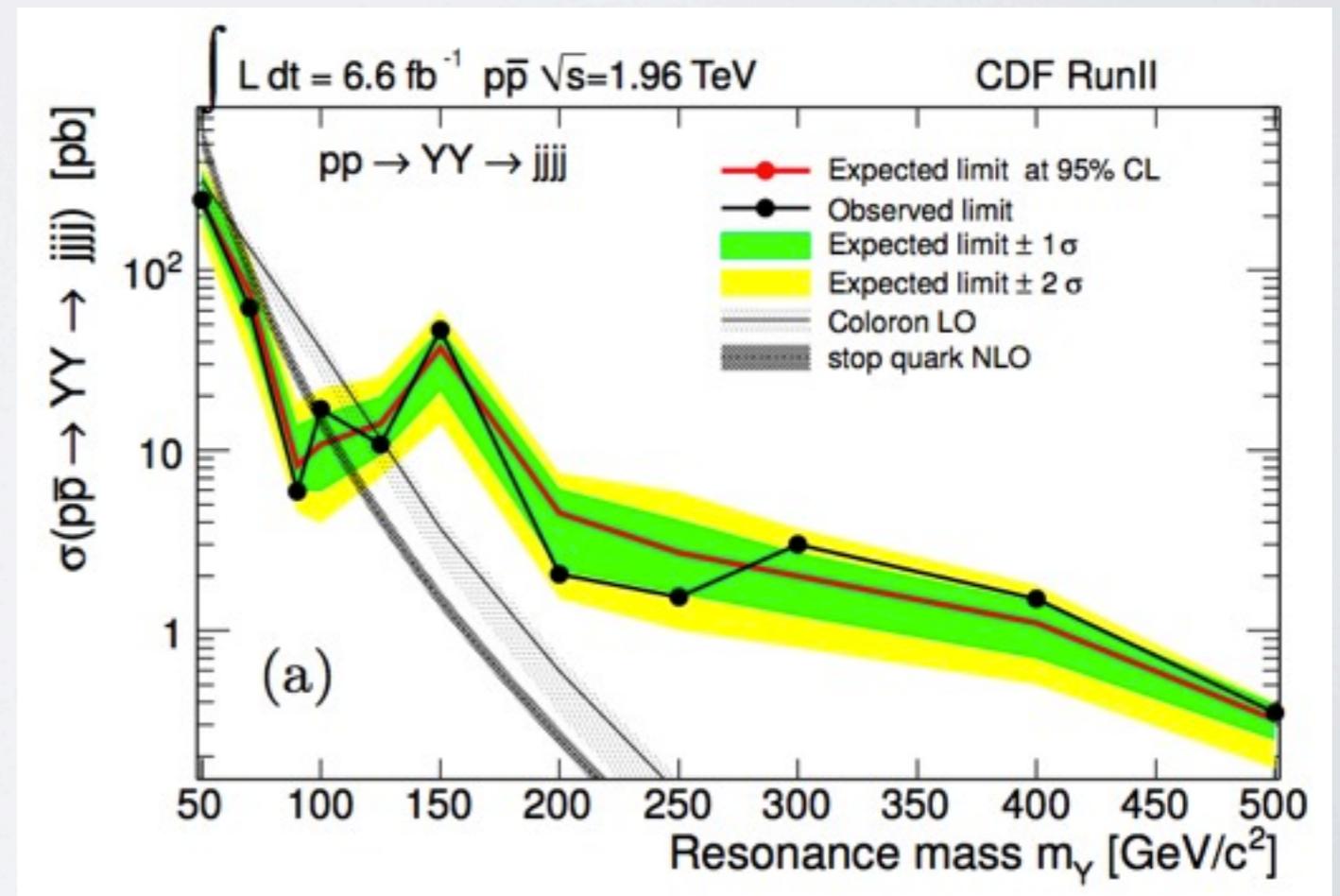
- Searches at LEP have set a bound ([OPAL Collaboration hep-ex/0310054](#))

$$m_{\tilde{t}}(\theta_{\tilde{t}} = 0.98) \geq 77 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_{\tilde{t}}(\theta_{\tilde{t}} = 0) \geq 88 \text{ GeV}$$

- Tevatron (CDF) has an analysis setting a stronger bound ([CDF Collaboration 1303.2699 hep-ex](#))

$$m_{\tilde{t}} \leq 50 \text{ GeV} \quad m_{\tilde{t}} \geq 100 \text{ GeV}$$

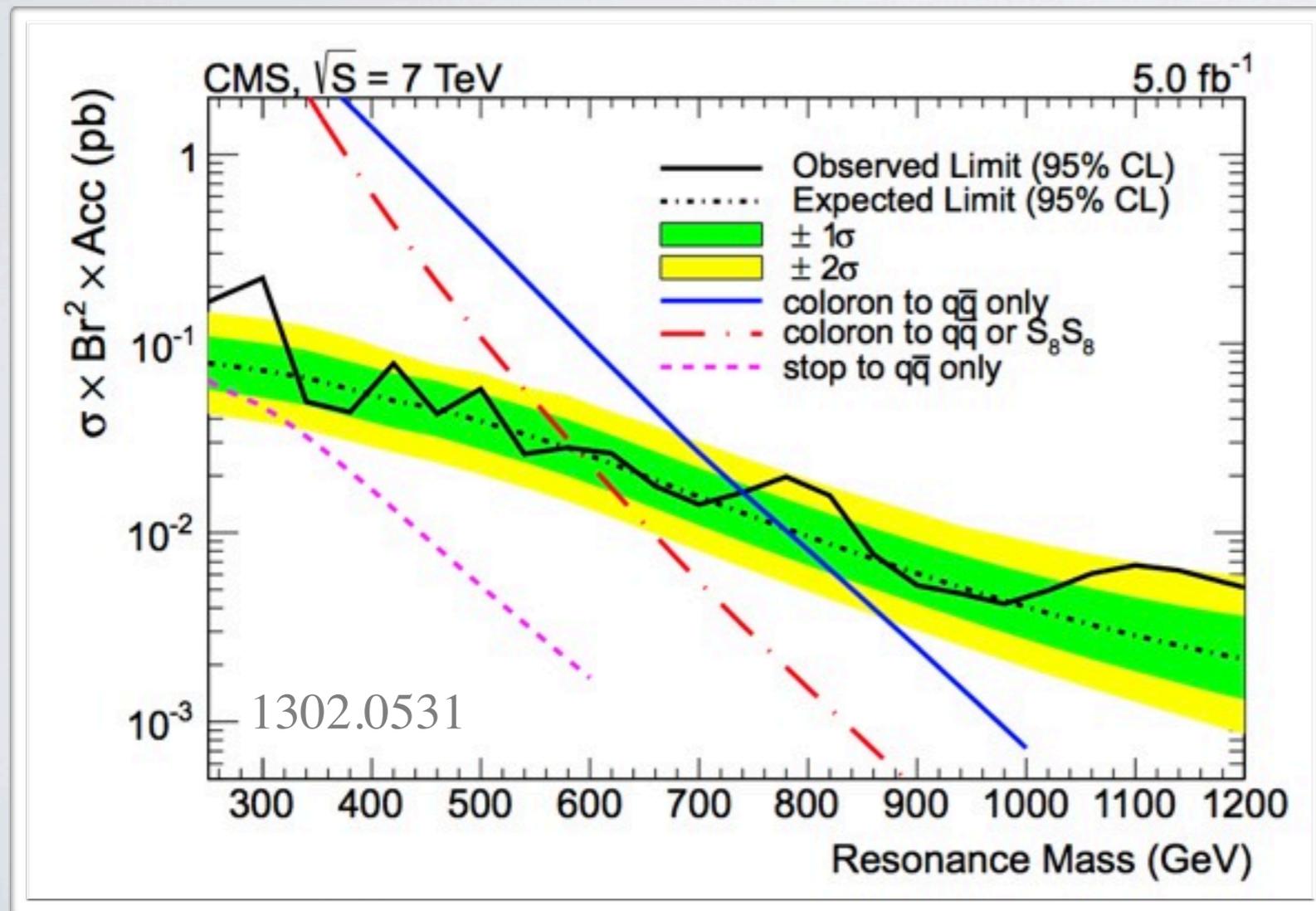


# CURRENT LIMITS: LHC

- Together, LEP and Tevatron have set a bound

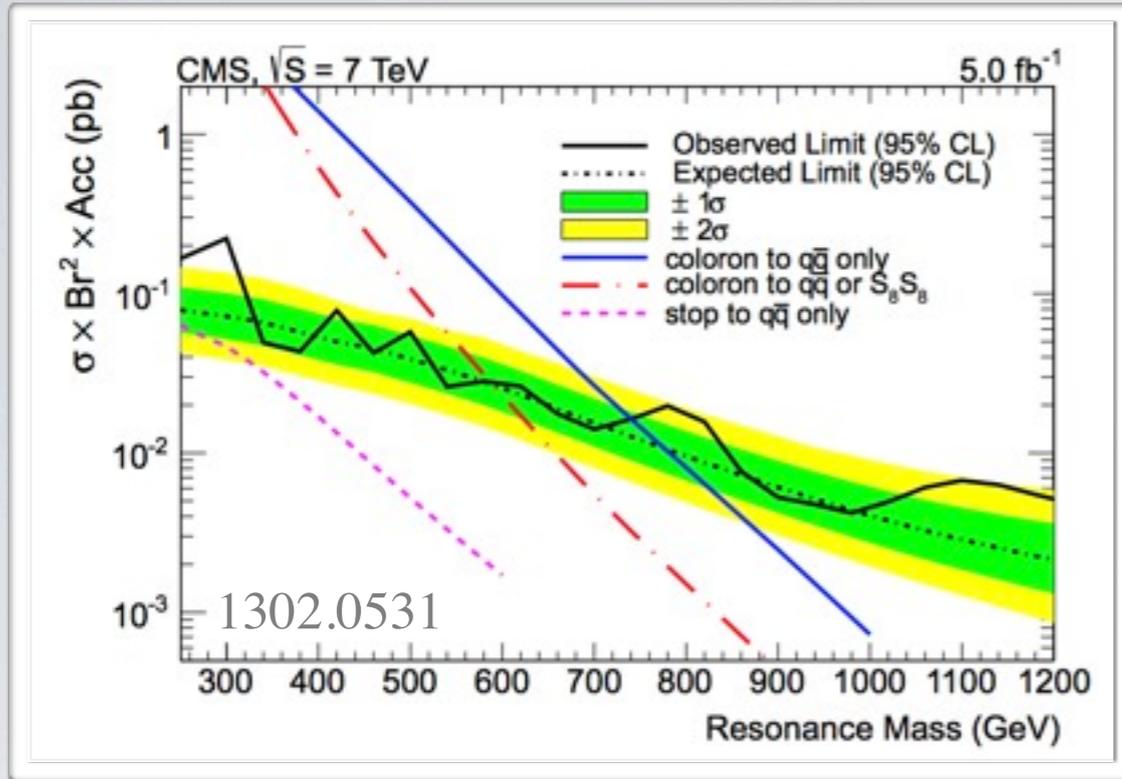
$$m_{\tilde{t}} \geq 100 \text{ GeV}$$

- ATLAS and CMS have presented searches for pair produced colored resonances decaying to 4j (colorons and sgluons) and recently have also focused on stops



- The LHC is not yet sensitive to the stop pair production CS in the present analyses
- The background is huge, and heavy flavor tagging is crucial in this case
- We will show that with b-tagging techniques LHC data can already exclude stops in the very light mass region (at the hearth of naturalness)

# SKETCH OF THE ANALYSES



Mass pairing: 
$$\delta_m = \frac{|m_{ab} - m_{cd}|}{m_{ab} + m_{cd}}$$

Main cuts: at least 4j with

$$p_{Tj} > 110 \text{ GeV}$$

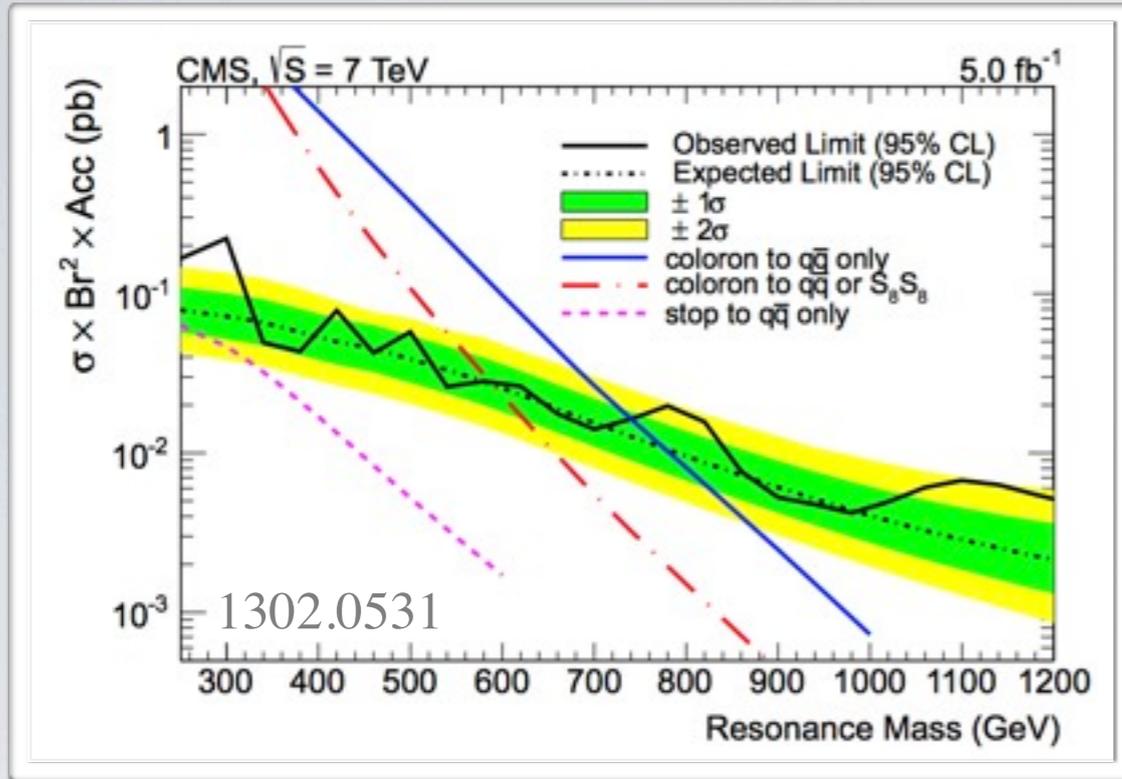
$$|\eta_j| < 2.5$$

$$\Delta R_{jj} = \sqrt{(\Delta\eta)^2 + (\Delta\phi)^2} \geq 0.7$$

$$\delta_m < 0.075$$

$$\Delta = \sum_{i=1,2} (p_T)_i - |m_{ab} - m_{bc}| > 25$$

# SKETCH OF THE ANALYSES



Mass pairing:  $\delta_m = \frac{|m_{ab} - m_{cd}|}{m_{ab} + m_{cd}}$

Main cuts: at least 4j with  
 $p_{Tj} > 110 \text{ GeV}$

$$|\eta_j| < 2.5$$

$$\Delta R_{jj} = \sqrt{(\Delta\eta)^2 + (\Delta\phi)^2} \geq 0.7$$

$$\delta_m < 0.075$$

$$\Delta = \sum_{i=1,2} (p_T)_i - |m_{ab} - m_{bc}| > 25$$

Ang. pairing:  $\delta_{\Delta R} = |\Delta R_{ab} - 1| + |\Delta R_{cd} - 1|$

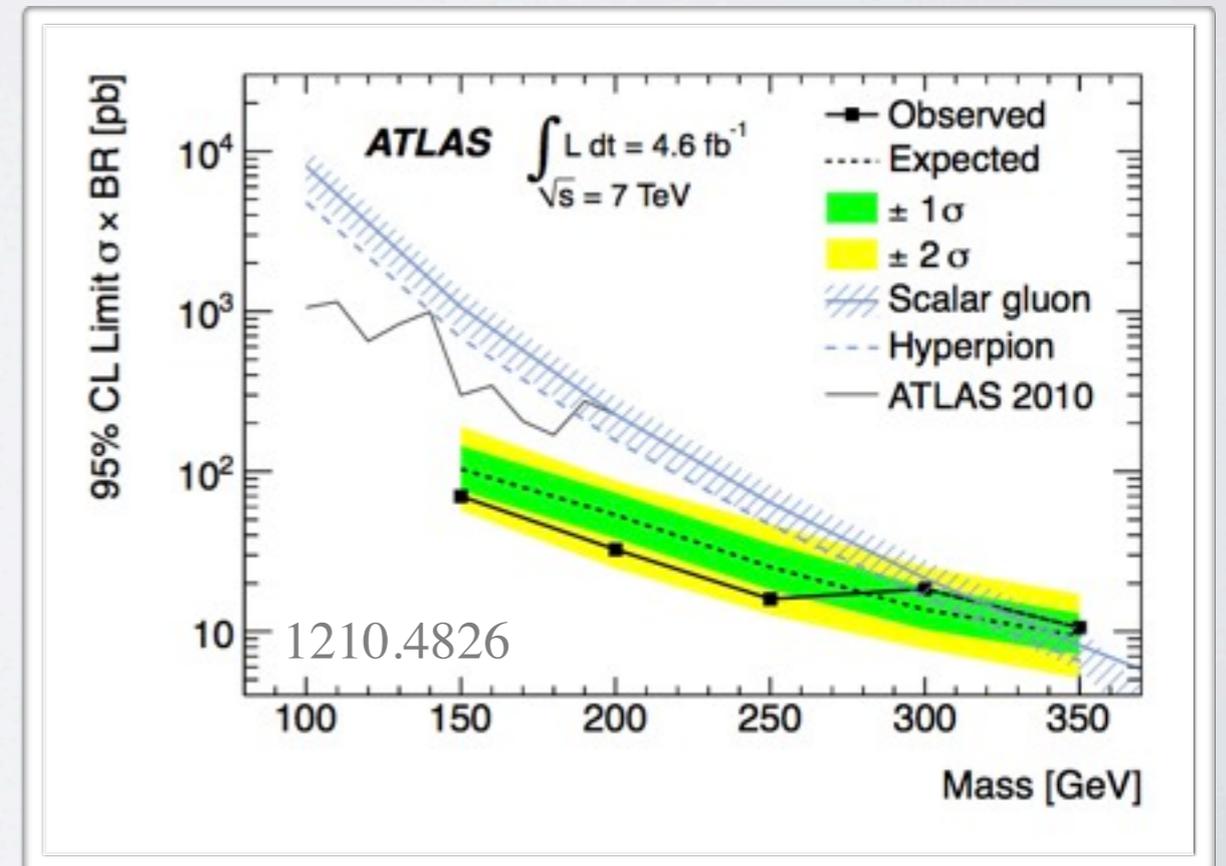
Main cuts: at least 4j with  
 $p_{Tj} > 80 \text{ GeV}$

$$|\eta_j| < 1.4$$

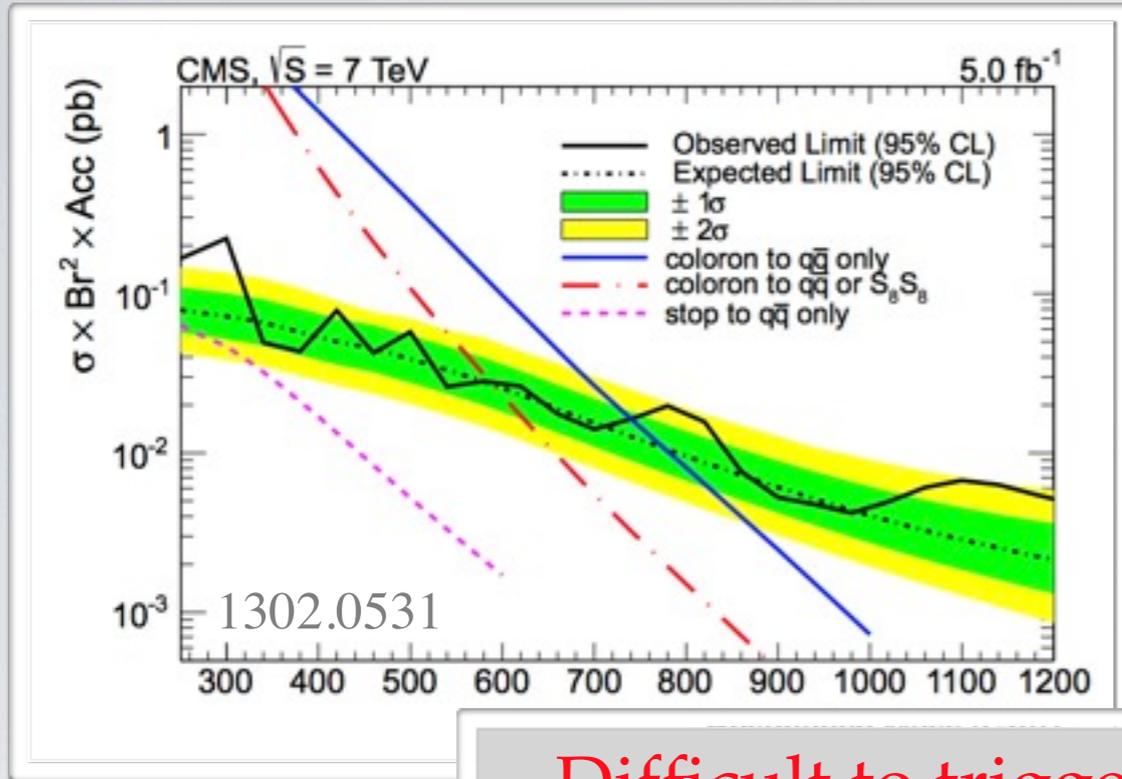
$$\Delta R_{jj} > 0.6 \quad \Delta R_{\text{pairs}} < 1.6$$

$$\delta_m < 0.15$$

$$|\cos \theta^*| = \frac{|p_{za}^{\text{cm}} + p_{zb}^{\text{cm}}|}{|\mathbf{p}_a^{\text{cm}} + \mathbf{p}_b^{\text{cm}}|} < 0.5$$



# SKETCH OF THE ANALYSES



Mass pairing:  $\delta_m = \frac{|m_{ab} - m_{cd}|}{m_{ab} + m_{cd}}$

Main cuts: at least 4j with

$p_{Tj} > 110 \text{ GeV}$

$|\eta_j| < 2.5$

$\Delta R_{jj} = \sqrt{(\Delta\eta)^2 + (\Delta\phi)^2} \geq 0.7$

$\delta_m < 0.075$

$\Delta = \sum (p_T)_i - |m_{ab} - m_{bc}| > 25$

Difficult to trigger on events with low  $p_T$  jets

Ang. pairing:  $\delta_{\Delta R} = |\Delta R_{ab} - 1| + |\Delta R_{cd} - 1|$

Main cuts: at least 4j with

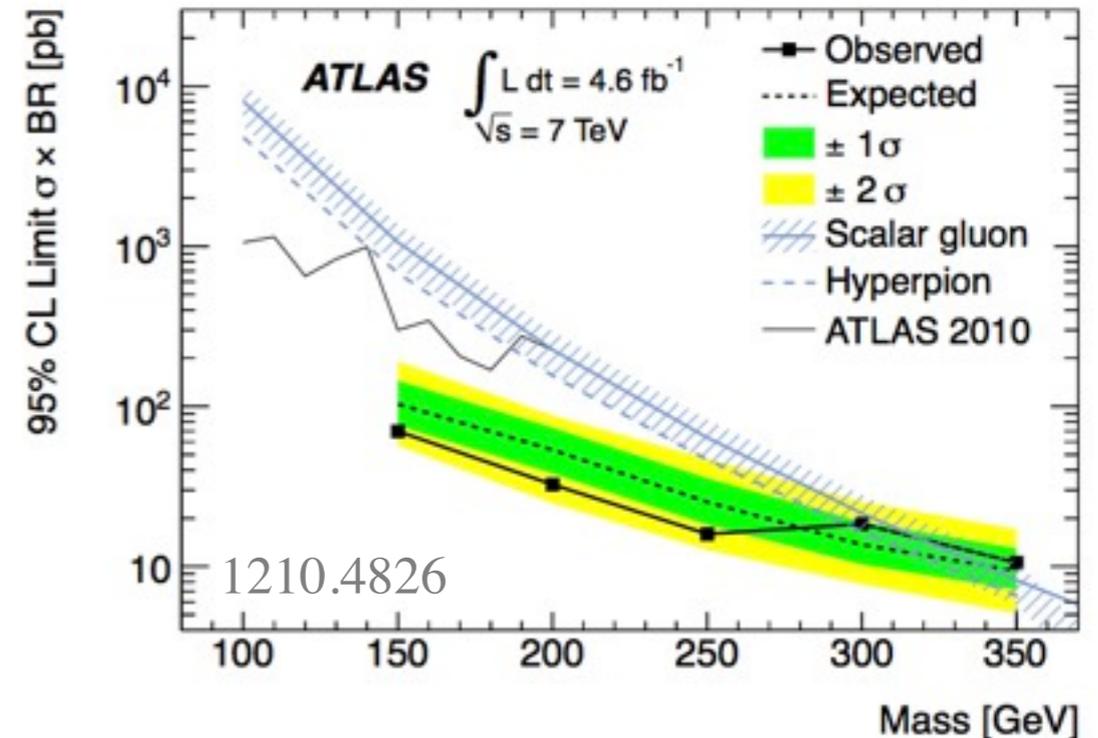
$p_{Tj} > 80 \text{ GeV}$

$|\eta_j| < 1.4$

$\Delta R_{jj} > 0.6$        $\Delta R_{\text{pairs}} < 1.6$

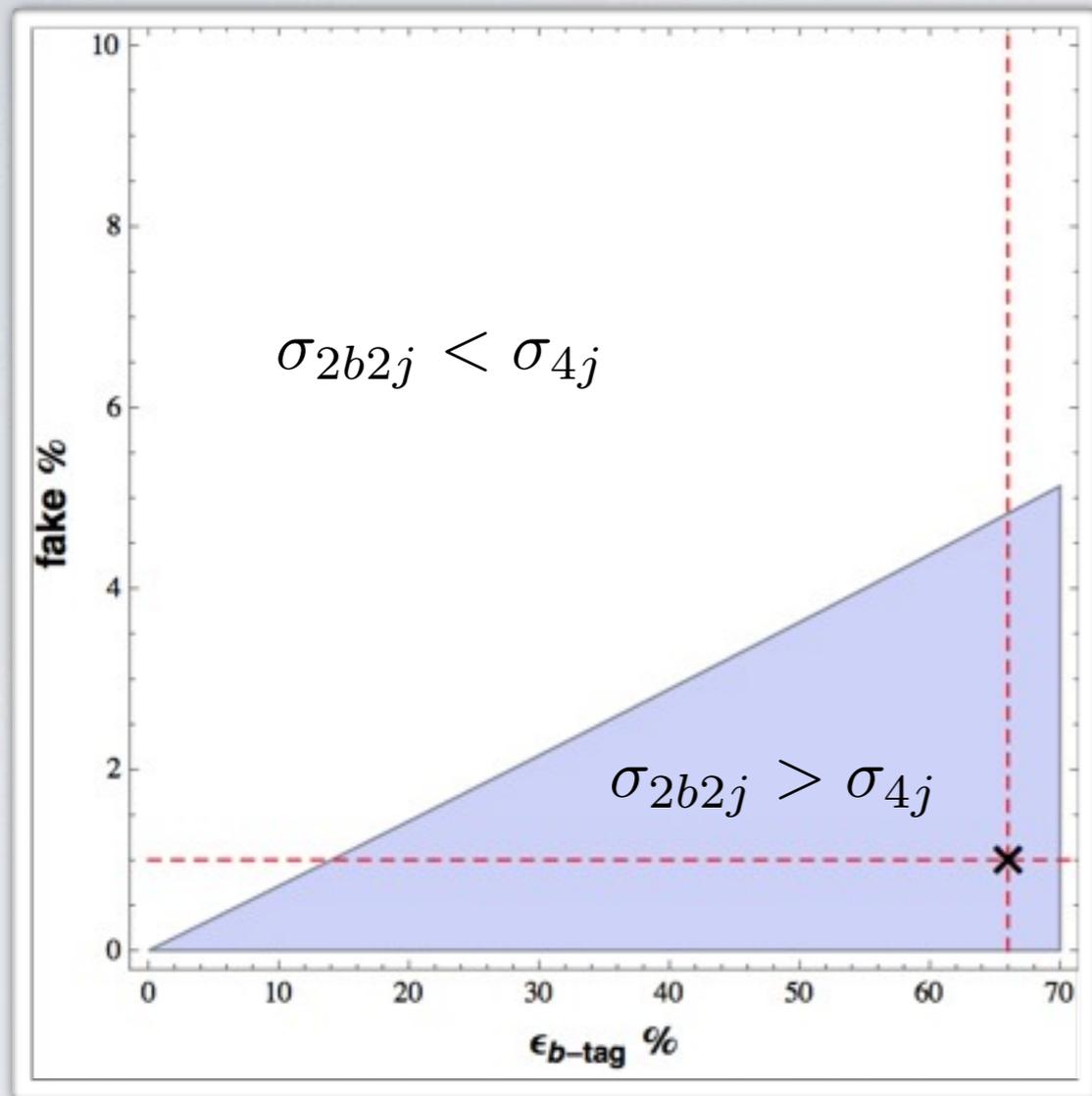
$\delta_m < 0.15$

$|\cos \theta^*| = \frac{|p_{za}^{\text{cm}} + p_{zb}^{\text{cm}}|}{|p_a^{\text{cm}} + p_b^{\text{cm}}|} < 0.5$



# B-TAGGING

- Online  $b$ -tagging can help in reducing the  $p_T$  threshold for the recorded jets!



	0 $b$ -tag	1 $b$ -tag	2 $b$ -tag
$\sigma_{4j}^{(8\text{TeV})}$	320 nb	12.8 nb	192 pb
$\sigma_{2b2j}^{(8\text{TeV})}$	8.8 nb	5.8 nb	3.8 nb

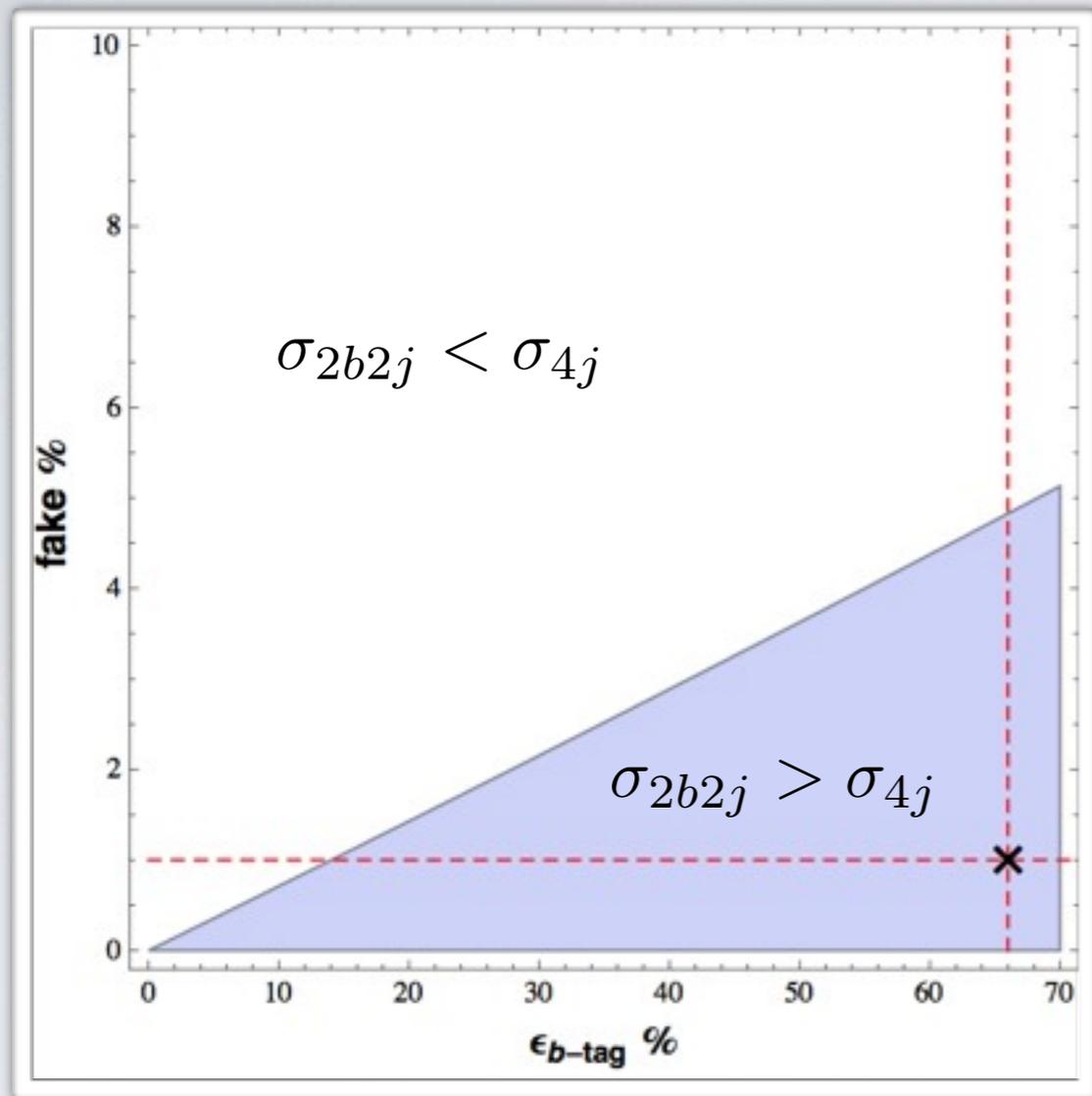
MG5 with selections  $p_T > 35$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 3.5$ ,  $\Delta R > 0.4$

	0 $b$ -tag	1 $b$ -tag	2 $b$ -tag
$\sigma_{4j}^{(8\text{TeV})}$	5 nb	200 pb	3 pb
$\sigma_{2b2j}^{(8\text{TeV})}$	136 pb	90 pb	59 pb

MG5 with selections  $p_T > 75$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 3.5$ ,  $\Delta R > 0.4$

# B-TAGGING

- Online  $b$ -tagging can help in reducing the  $p_T$  threshold for the recorded jets!



	0 $b$ -tag	1 $b$ -tag	2 $b$ -tag
$\sigma_{4j}^{(8\text{TeV})}$	320 nb	12.8 nb	192 pb
$\sigma_{2b2j}^{(8\text{TeV})}$	8.8 nb	5.8 nb	3.8 nb

MG5 with selections  $p_T > 35$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 3.5$ ,  $\Delta R > 0.4$

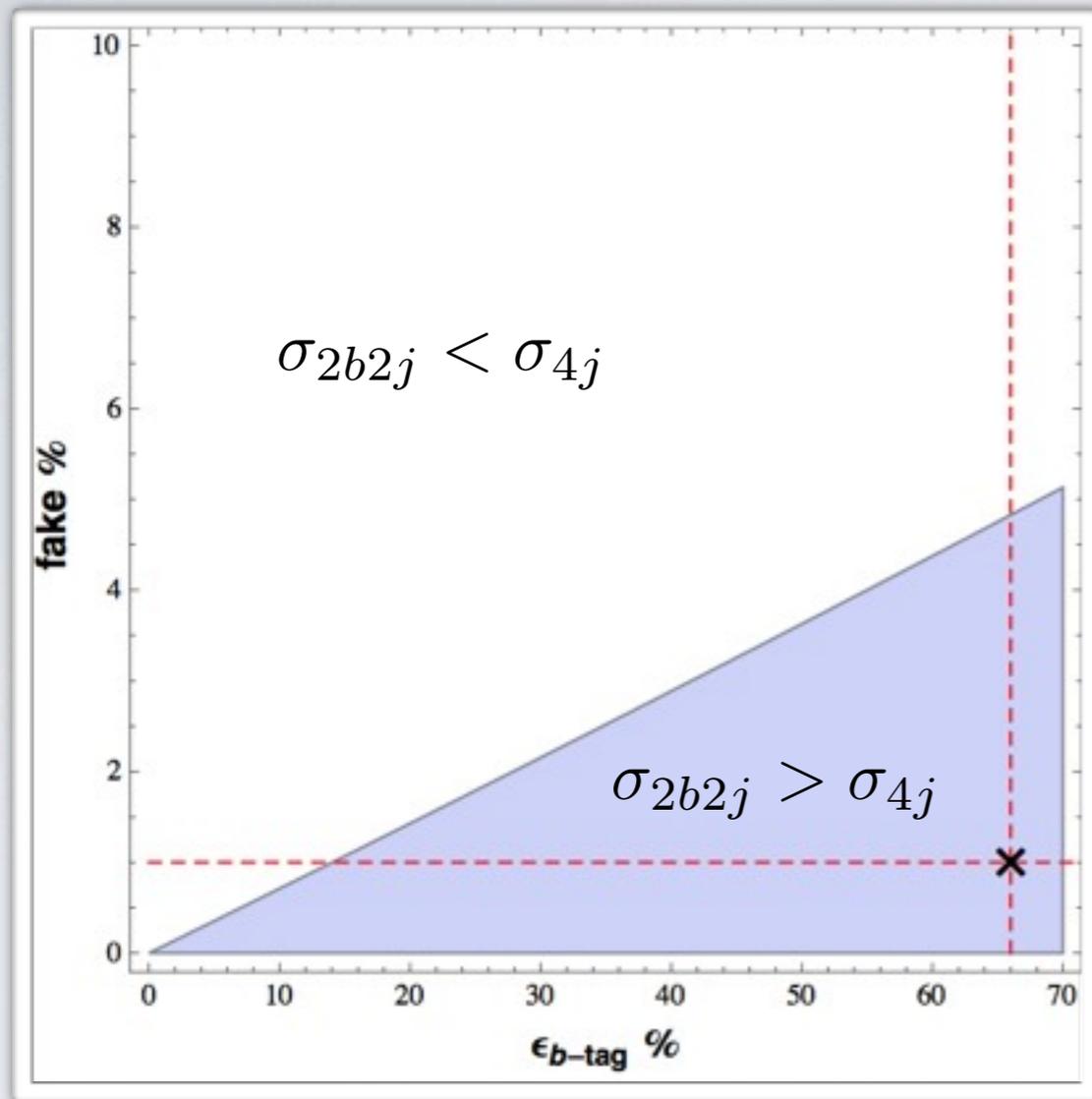
	0 $b$ -tag	1 $b$ -tag	2 $b$ -tag
$\sigma_{4j}^{(8\text{TeV})}$	5 nb	200 pb	3 pb
$\sigma_{2b2j}^{(8\text{TeV})}$	136 pb	90 pb	59 pb

MG5 with selections  $p_T > 75$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 3.5$ ,  $\Delta R > 0.4$

- We can reduce main background from the  $4j$  to the  $2b2j$ , i.e. a factor of 36 smaller

# B-TAGGING

- Online  $b$ -tagging can help in reducing the  $p_T$  threshold for the recorded jets!



	0 $b$ -tag	1 $b$ -tag	2 $b$ -tag
$\sigma_{4j}^{(8\text{TeV})}$	320 nb	12.8 nb	192 pb
$\sigma_{2b2j}^{(8\text{TeV})}$	8.8 nb	5.8 nb	3.8 nb

MG5 with selections  $p_T > 35$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 3.5$ ,  $\Delta R > 0.4$

	0 $b$ -tag	1 $b$ -tag	2 $b$ -tag
$\sigma_{4j}^{(8\text{TeV})}$	5 nb	200 pb	3 pb
$\sigma_{2b2j}^{(8\text{TeV})}$	136 pb	90 pb	59 pb

MG5 with selections  $p_T > 75$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 3.5$ ,  $\Delta R > 0.4$

- We can reduce main background from the  $4j$  to the  $2b2j$ , i.e. a factor of 36 smaller
- Assuming the interesting events have been recorded with the ATLAS and CMS 2012 triggers, then using (offline)  $b$ -tagging the relevant backgrounds for our final state are

$$pp \rightarrow 2b2j$$

$$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \left( \sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{(8\text{TeV})} = 135 \text{ pb} \right)$$

# OUR ANALYSIS

- We aim at identify the stops signal as a bump in the  $m_{\text{best}}$  distribution
- After studying the effect of a cut based analysis using all the different kinematic variables defined by the CMS and ATLAS collaborations, we identify the following kinematic variables as the most relevant to optimize S/B

$$\delta_{\Delta R} = |\Delta R_{ab} - 1| + |\Delta R_{cd} - 1|$$

$$m_{\text{best}} = \frac{m_{ab} + m_{cd}}{2}$$

$$\cos \theta^* = \frac{p_{za}^{\text{cm}} + p_{zb}^{\text{cm}}}{|\mathbf{p}_a^{\text{cm}} + \mathbf{p}_b^{\text{cm}}|} = \frac{p_{zc}^{\text{cm}} + p_{zd}^{\text{cm}}}{|\mathbf{p}_c^{\text{cm}} + \mathbf{p}_d^{\text{cm}}|}$$

$$\delta_m = \frac{|m_{ab} - m_{cd}|}{m_{ab} + m_{cd}}$$

$$\Delta\eta_{\text{best}} = \frac{|\Delta\eta_{ab}| + |\Delta\eta_{cd}|}{2}$$

$$\Delta R_{\text{best}} = \frac{\Delta R_{ab} + \Delta R_{cd}}{2}$$

# OUR ANALYSIS

- We aim at identify the stops signal as a bump in the  $m_{\text{best}}$  distribution
- After studying the effect of a cut based analysis using all the different kinematic variables defined by the CMS and ATLAS collaborations, we identify the following kinematic variables as the most relevant to optimize S/B

$$\delta_{\Delta R} = |\Delta R_{ab} - 1| + |\Delta R_{cd} - 1|$$

$$m_{\text{best}} = \frac{m_{ab} + m_{cd}}{2}$$

$$\cos \theta^* = \frac{p_{za}^{\text{cm}} + p_{zb}^{\text{cm}}}{|\mathbf{p}_a^{\text{cm}} + \mathbf{p}_b^{\text{cm}}|} = \frac{p_{zc}^{\text{cm}} + p_{zd}^{\text{cm}}}{|\mathbf{p}_c^{\text{cm}} + \mathbf{p}_d^{\text{cm}}|}$$

$$\delta_m = \frac{|m_{ab} - m_{cd}|}{m_{ab} + m_{cd}}$$

$$\Delta\eta_{\text{best}} = \frac{|\Delta\eta_{ab}| + |\Delta\eta_{cd}|}{2}$$

$$\Delta R_{\text{best}} = \frac{\Delta R_{ab} + \Delta R_{cd}}{2}$$

- The relevant kinematic quantities crucially depend, especially for signal, on smearing effects due to showering and detector

# OUR ANALYSIS

- We aim at identify the stops signal as a bump in the  $m_{\text{best}}$  distribution
- After studying the effect of a cut based analysis using all the different kinematic variables defined by the CMS and ATLAS collaborations, we identify the following kinematic variables as the most relevant to optimize S/B

$$\delta_{\Delta R} = |\Delta R_{ab} - 1| + |\Delta R_{cd} - 1|$$

$$m_{\text{best}} = \frac{m_{ab} + m_{cd}}{2}$$

$$\cos \theta^* = \frac{p_{za}^{\text{cm}} + p_{zb}^{\text{cm}}}{|\mathbf{p}_a^{\text{cm}} + \mathbf{p}_b^{\text{cm}}|} = \frac{p_{zc}^{\text{cm}} + p_{zd}^{\text{cm}}}{|\mathbf{p}_c^{\text{cm}} + \mathbf{p}_d^{\text{cm}}|}$$

$$\delta_m = \frac{|m_{ab} - m_{cd}|}{m_{ab} + m_{cd}}$$

$$\Delta\eta_{\text{best}} = \frac{|\Delta\eta_{ab}| + |\Delta\eta_{cd}|}{2}$$

$$\Delta R_{\text{best}} = \frac{\Delta R_{ab} + \Delta R_{cd}}{2}$$

- The relevant kinematic quantities crucially depend, especially for signal, on smearing effects due to showering and detector
- To get a reasonable estimate of the signal and background distributions in these variables we made a full simulation chain

# OUR ANALYSIS

- We aim at identify the stops signal as a bump in the  $m_{\text{best}}$  distribution
- After studying the effect of a cut based analysis using all the different kinematic variables defined by the CMS and ATLAS collaborations, we identify the following kinematic variables as the most relevant to optimize S/B

$$\delta_{\Delta R} = |\Delta R_{ab} - 1| + |\Delta R_{cd} - 1|$$

$$m_{\text{best}} = \frac{m_{ab} + m_{cd}}{2}$$

$$\cos \theta^* = \frac{p_{za}^{\text{cm}} + p_{zb}^{\text{cm}}}{|\mathbf{p}_a^{\text{cm}} + \mathbf{p}_b^{\text{cm}}|} = \frac{p_{zc}^{\text{cm}} + p_{zd}^{\text{cm}}}{|\mathbf{p}_c^{\text{cm}} + \mathbf{p}_d^{\text{cm}}|}$$

$$\delta_m = \frac{|m_{ab} - m_{cd}|}{m_{ab} + m_{cd}}$$

$$\Delta\eta_{\text{best}} = \frac{|\Delta\eta_{ab}| + |\Delta\eta_{cd}|}{2}$$

$$\Delta R_{\text{best}} = \frac{\Delta R_{ab} + \Delta R_{cd}}{2}$$

- The relevant kinematic quantities crucially depend, especially for signal, on smearing effects due to showering and detector
- To get a reasonable estimate of the signal and background distributions in these variables we made a full simulation chain
  - MadGraph5 @LO (CTEQ6L1)
  - Pythia 8 (parton shower)
  - Fastjet 2 (anti- $k_T$  with  $R = 0.6$ )
  - Delphes 2.0 (detector simulation)

# OUR ANALYSIS

- We aim at identify the stops signal as a bump in the  $m_{\text{best}}$  distribution
- After studying the effect of a cut based analysis using all the different kinematic variables defined by the CMS and ATLAS collaborations, we identify the following kinematic variables as the most relevant to optimize S/B

$$\delta_{\Delta R} = |\Delta R_{ab} - 1| + |\Delta R_{cd} - 1|$$

$$m_{\text{best}} = \frac{m_{ab} + m_{cd}}{2}$$

$$\cos \theta^* = \frac{p_{za}^{\text{cm}} + p_{zb}^{\text{cm}}}{|\mathbf{p}_a^{\text{cm}} + \mathbf{p}_b^{\text{cm}}|} = \frac{p_{zc}^{\text{cm}} + p_{zd}^{\text{cm}}}{|\mathbf{p}_c^{\text{cm}} + \mathbf{p}_d^{\text{cm}}|}$$

$$\delta_m = \frac{|m_{ab} - m_{cd}|}{m_{ab} + m_{cd}}$$

$$\Delta\eta_{\text{best}} = \frac{|\Delta\eta_{ab}| + |\Delta\eta_{cd}|}{2}$$

$$\Delta R_{\text{best}} = \frac{\Delta R_{ab} + \Delta R_{cd}}{2}$$

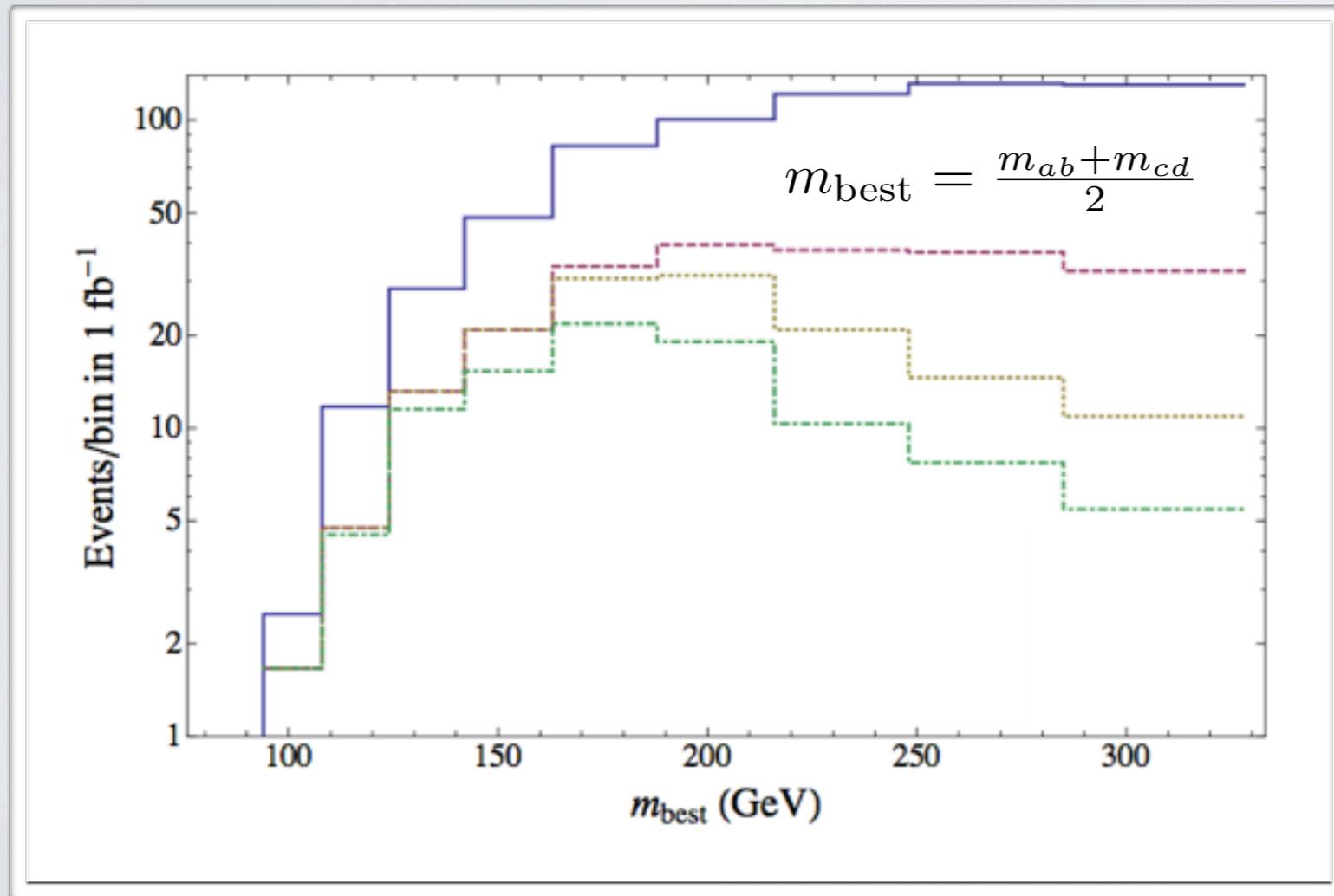
- The relevant kinematic quantities crucially depend, especially for signal, on smearing effects due to showering and detector
- To get a reasonable estimate of the signal and background distributions in these variables we made a full simulation chain
  - MadGraph5 @LO (CTEQ6L1)
  - Pythia 8 (parton shower)
  - Fastjet 2 (anti- $k_T$  with  $R = 0.6$ )
  - Delphes 2.0 (detector simulation)

Validated vs ATLAS analysis (4j)  
1110.2693 with 30% level agreement  
after all selections!

# CUT OPTIMIZATION

For very boosted jets we have

$$m_{\tilde{t}}^2 \approx p_{T_{j_1}} p_{T_{j_2}} \Delta R_{j_1 j_2}^2$$



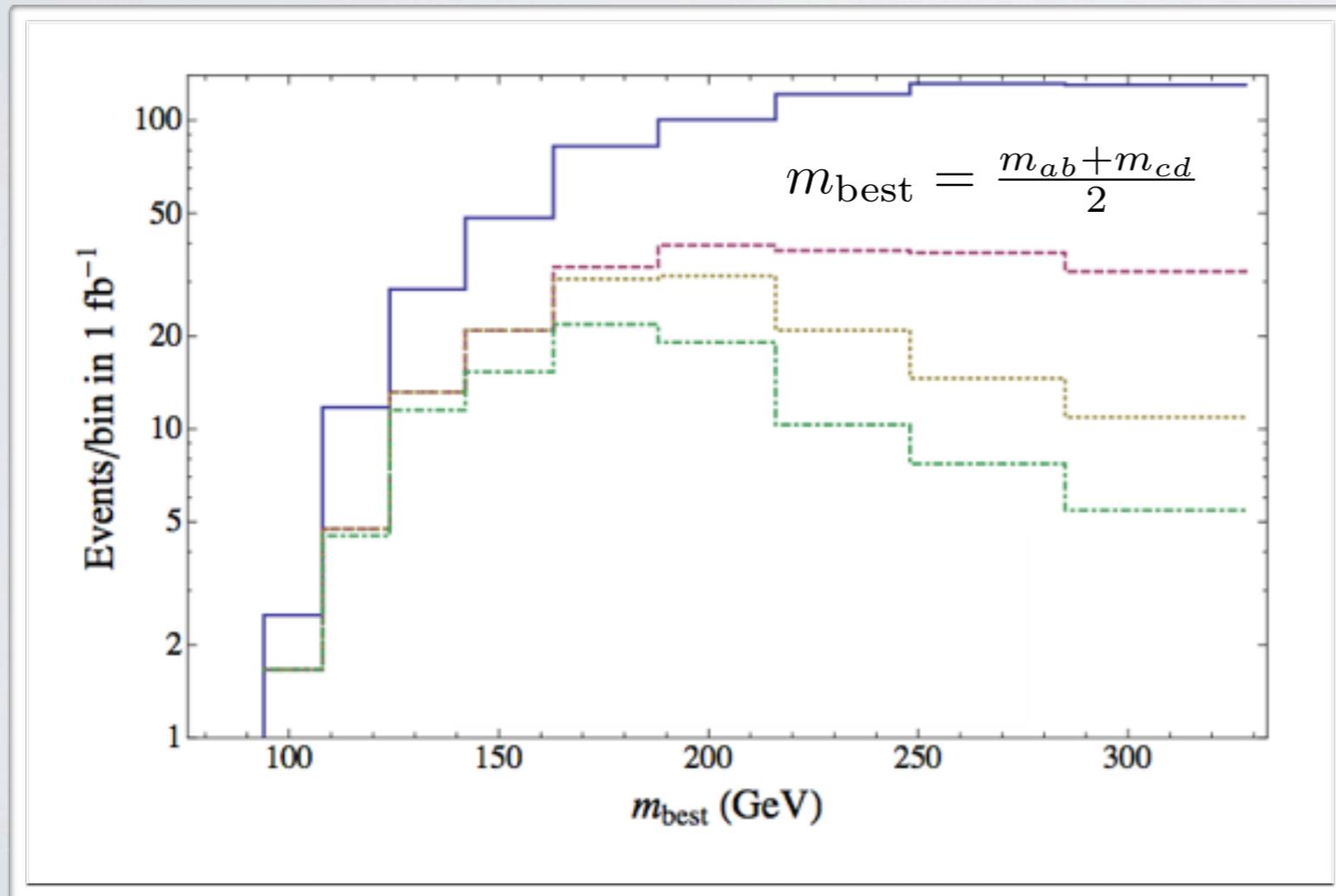
# CUT OPTIMIZATION

For very boosted jets we have

$$m_{\tilde{t}}^2 \approx p_{Tj_1} p_{Tj_2} \Delta R_{j_1 j_2}^2$$



$$\delta_{\Delta R} = |\Delta R_{ab} - 1| + |\Delta R_{cd} - 1|$$



# CUT OPTIMIZATION

For very boosted jets we have

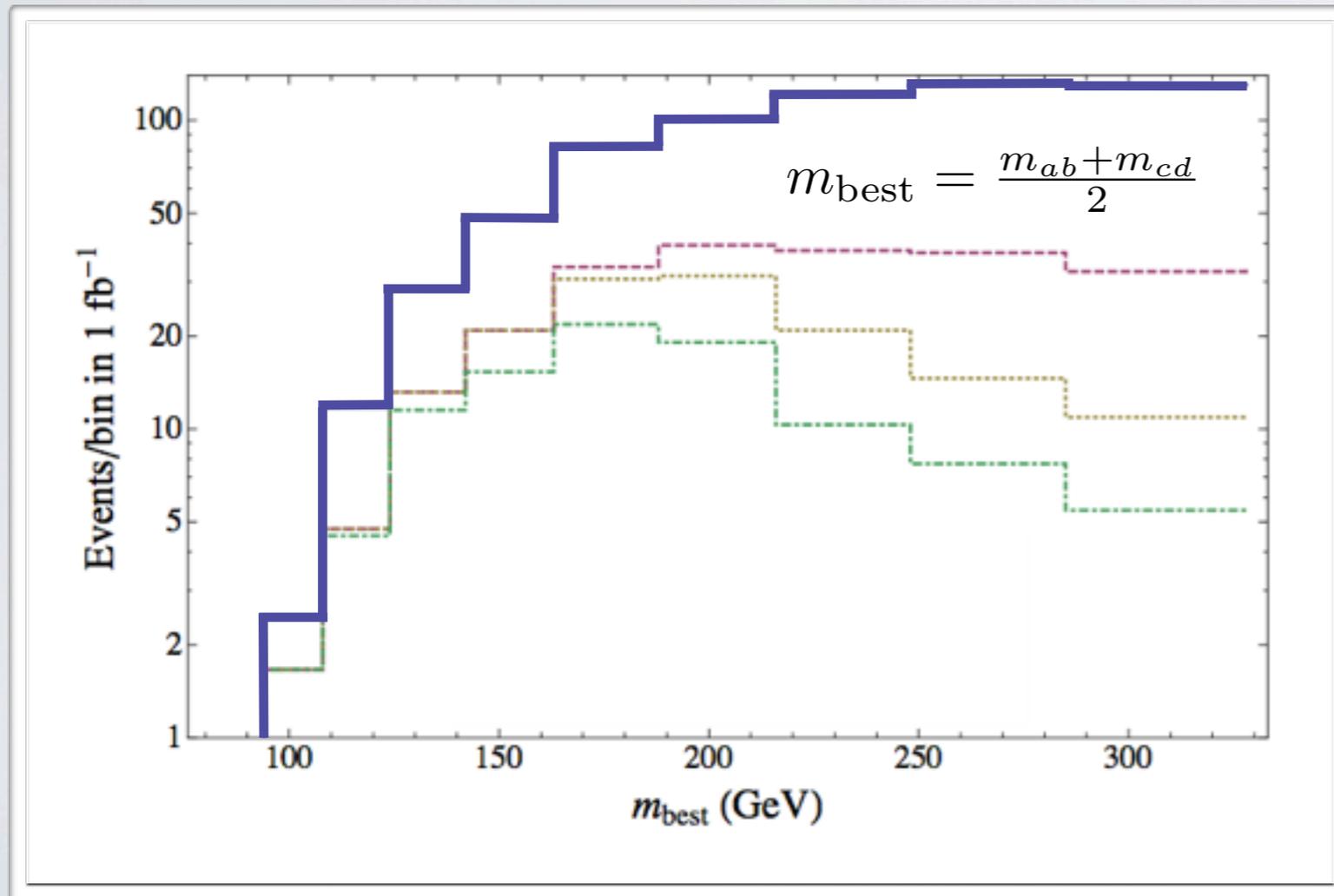
$$m_{\tilde{t}}^2 \approx p_{Tj_1} p_{Tj_2} \Delta R_{j_1 j_2}^2$$



$$\delta_{\Delta R} = |\Delta R_{ab} - 1| + |\Delta R_{cd} - 1|$$

We identify these selections to optimize S/B

$$p_{Tj} > \frac{m_{\tilde{t}}}{2} \quad |\eta| < 2.8 \quad \Delta R_{jj} > 0.7$$
$$\delta m < 0.075$$



# CUT OPTIMIZATION

For very boosted jets we have

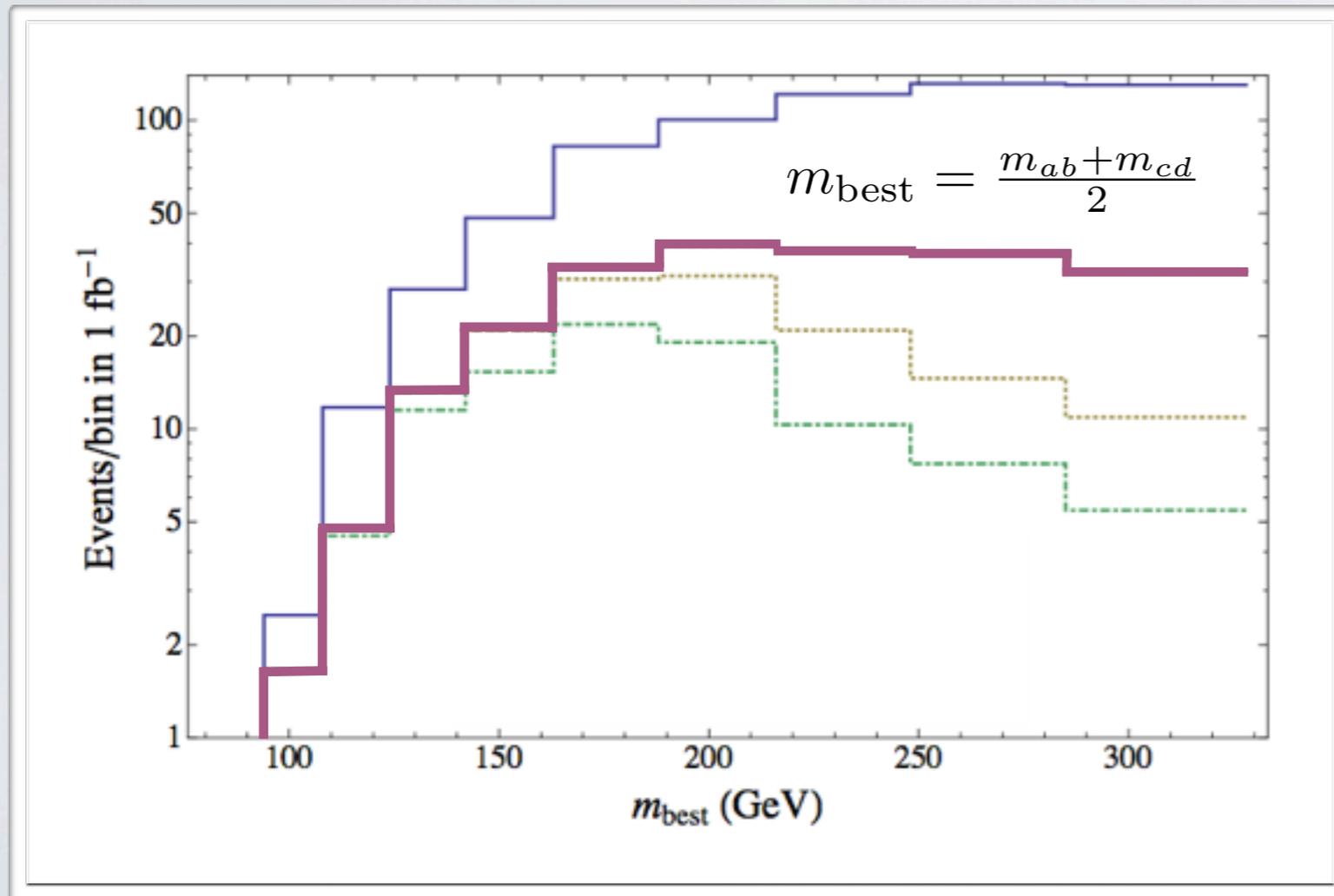
$$m_{\tilde{t}}^2 \approx p_{Tj_1} p_{Tj_2} \Delta R_{j_1 j_2}^2$$



$$\delta_{\Delta R} = |\Delta R_{ab} - 1| + |\Delta R_{cd} - 1|$$

We identify these selections to optimize S/B

$$p_{Tj} > \frac{m_{\tilde{t}}}{2} \quad |\eta| < 2.8 \quad \Delta R_{jj} > 0.7$$
$$\delta m < 0.075 \quad |\cos \theta^*| < 0.4$$



# CUT OPTIMIZATION

For very boosted jets we have

$$m_{\tilde{t}}^2 \approx p_{Tj_1} p_{Tj_2} \Delta R_{j_1 j_2}^2$$

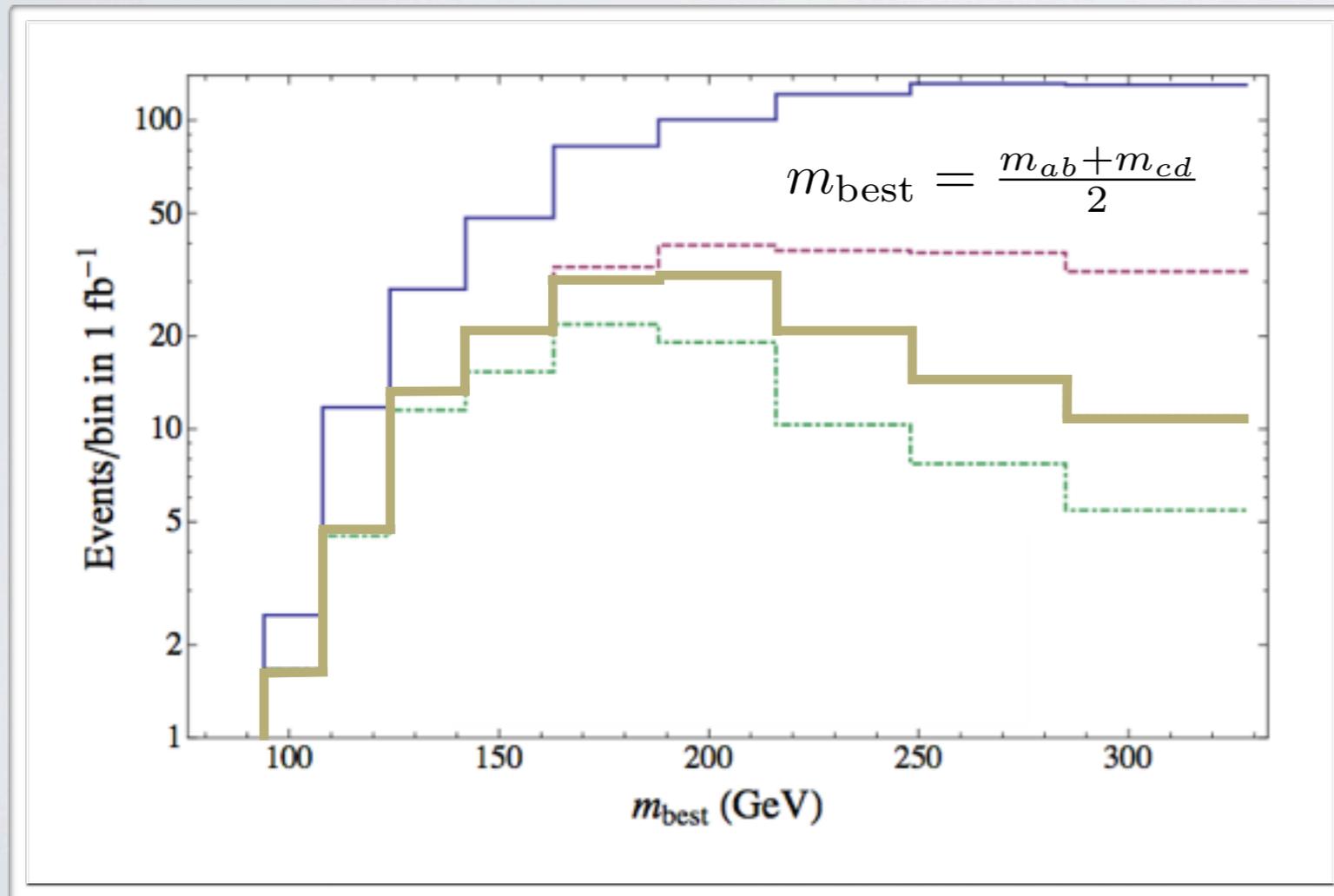


$$\delta_{\Delta R} = |\Delta R_{ab} - 1| + |\Delta R_{cd} - 1|$$

We identify these selections to optimize S/B

$$p_{Tj} > \frac{m_{\tilde{t}}}{2} \quad |\eta| < 2.8 \quad \Delta R_{jj} > 0.7$$

$$\delta m < 0.075 \quad |\cos \theta^*| < 0.4 \quad \Delta R_{\text{best}} < 1.5$$



# CUT OPTIMIZATION

For very boosted jets we have

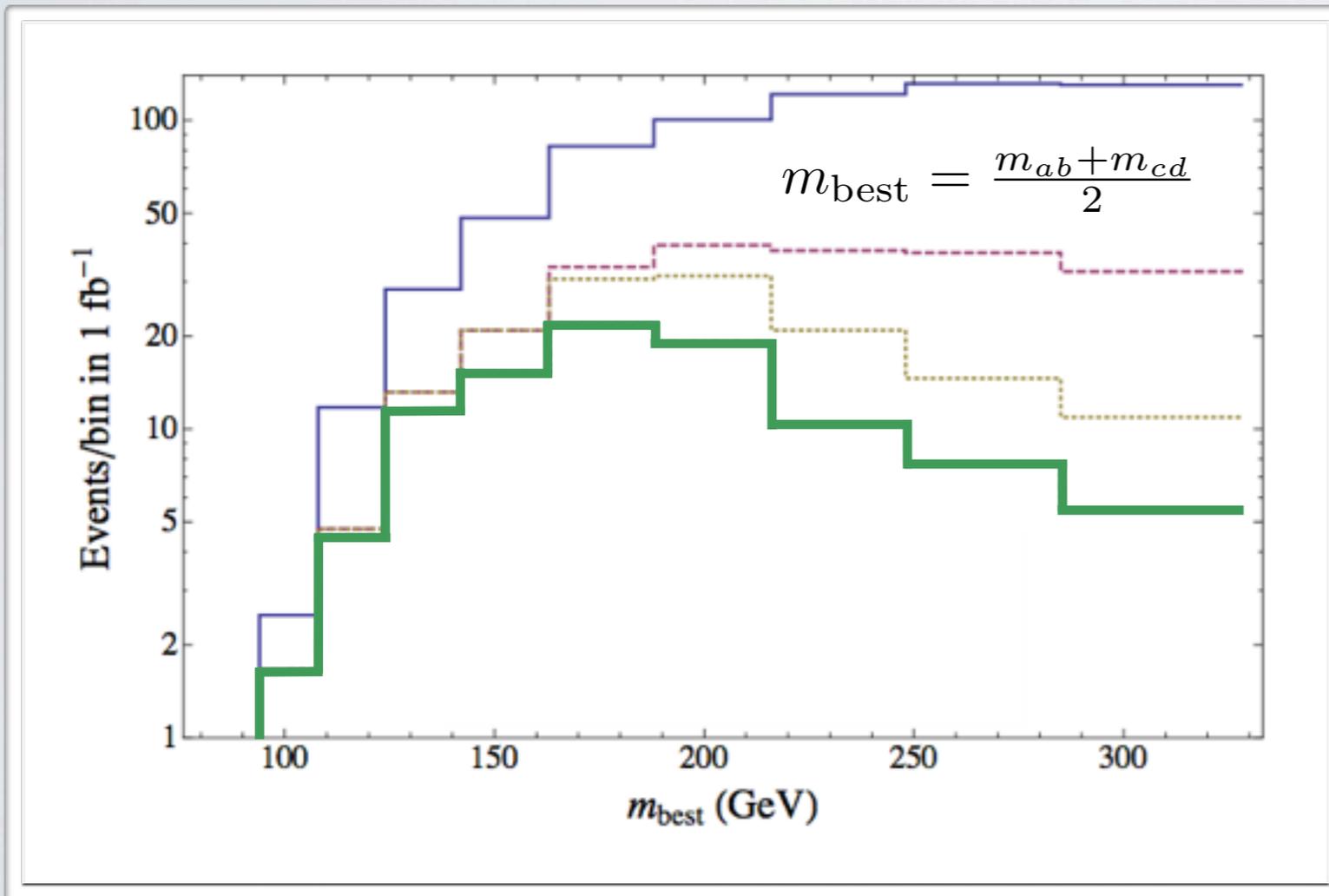
$$m_{\tilde{t}}^2 \approx p_{Tj_1} p_{Tj_2} \Delta R_{j_1 j_2}^2$$



$$\delta_{\Delta R} = |\Delta R_{ab} - 1| + |\Delta R_{cd} - 1|$$

We identify these selections to optimize S/B

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{Tj} &> \frac{m_{\tilde{t}}}{2} & |\eta| &< 2.8 & \Delta R_{jj} &> 0.7 \\
 \delta m &< 0.075 & |\cos \theta^*| &< 0.4 & \Delta R_{\text{best}} &< 1.5 \\
 \Delta \eta_{\text{best}} &< 0.8 & & & &
 \end{aligned}$$



# CUT OPTIMIZATION

For very boosted jets we have

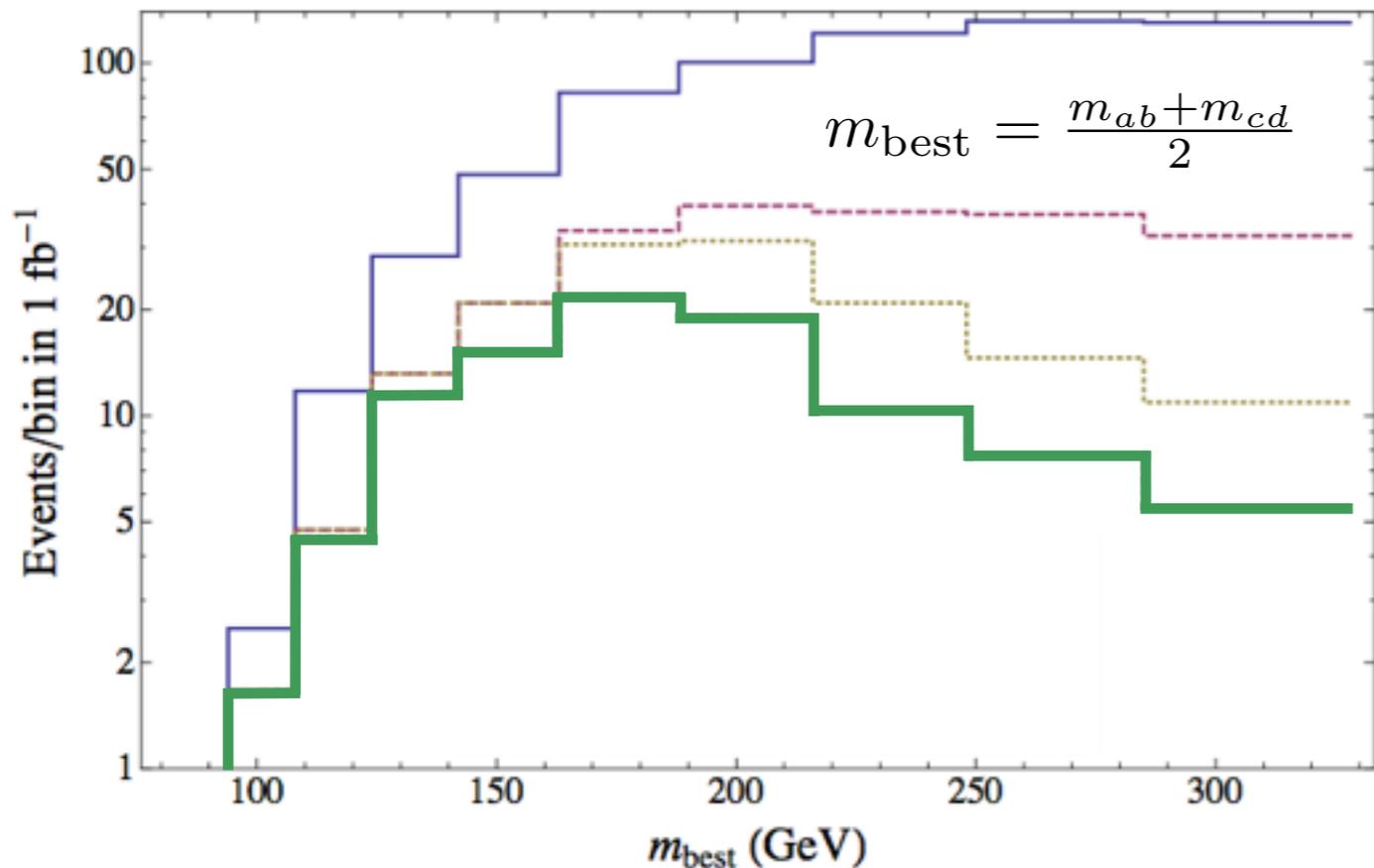
$$m_{\tilde{t}}^2 \approx p_{Tj_1} p_{Tj_2} \Delta R_{j_1 j_2}^2$$



$$\delta_{\Delta R} = |\Delta R_{ab} - 1| + |\Delta R_{cd} - 1|$$

We identify these selections to optimize S/B

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{Tj} &> \frac{m_{\tilde{t}}}{2} & |\eta| &< 2.8 & \Delta R_{jj} &> 0.7 \\
 \delta m &< 0.075 & |\cos \theta^*| &< 0.4 & \Delta R_{\text{best}} &< 1.5 \\
 \Delta \eta_{\text{best}} &< 0.8 & & & & 
 \end{aligned}$$



The combined effect of the  $\Delta R_{\text{best}}$  and  $\Delta \eta_{\text{best}}$  cuts is to move the peak of the background distribution toward smaller values of  $m_{\text{best}}$

Therefore using these angular variables we can hope to see the stop signal as a bump on a smoothly falling background

# CUT EFFICIENCIES LHC@8TEV

$m_{\tilde{t}} = 100 \text{ GeV} - \Delta R \text{ pairing}$									
Selection	$t\bar{t}$ (314 pb)			QCD $b\bar{b}jj$ (8826 pb) <sup>a</sup>			$t\bar{t}$ (135 pb)		
	$\epsilon^{(1)}$	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon_{i \rightarrow i+1}$	$\epsilon^{(1)}$	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon_{i \rightarrow i+1}$	$\epsilon^{(1)}$	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon_{i \rightarrow i+1}$
$\eta < 2.8$	0.81	0.81	-	0.82	0.82	-	0.88	0.88	-
$p_T > 50 \text{ GeV}$	0.16	0.16	0.19	0.15	0.15	0.18	0.38	0.38	0.43
$\Delta R > 0.7$	0.78	0.15	0.95	0.79	0.14	0.96	0.85	0.36	0.94
$b\text{-tags} = 2$	0.44	0.064	0.44	0.44	0.062	0.44	0.44	0.15	0.44
$\delta_m < 0.075$	0.13	0.010	0.16	0.11	0.0085	0.14	0.15	0.026	0.17
$ \cos \theta^*  < 0.4$	0.33	0.0047	0.46	0.19	0.0021	0.24	0.36	0.026	0.45
$\Delta\eta_{\text{best}} < 0.8$	0.31	0.0030	0.64	0.23	0.00077	0.38	0.37	0.0069	0.60
$\Delta R_{\text{best}} < 1.5$	0.25	0.0025	0.85	0.19	0.00063	0.82	0.31	0.0056	0.81
$\Delta R_{\text{best}} < 1$	0.031	0.00080	0.32	0.030	0.00020	0.32	0.043	0.0016	0.28

<sup>a</sup>This QCD cross section is computed taking  $p_T > 35 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta| < 3.5$  and  $\Delta R > 0.4$  for the matrix element computation.

# CUT EFFICIENCIES LHC@8TEV

$m_{\tilde{t}} = 100 \text{ GeV} - \Delta R \text{ pairing}$									
Selection	$\tilde{t}\tilde{t}^* (314 \text{ pb})$			QCD $b\bar{b}jj (8826 \text{ pb})^a$			$t\bar{t} (135 \text{ pb})$		
	$\epsilon^{(1)}$	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon_{i \rightarrow i+1}$	$\epsilon^{(1)}$	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon_{i \rightarrow i+1}$	$\epsilon^{(1)}$	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon_{i \rightarrow i+1}$
$\eta < 2.8$	0.81	0.81	-	0.82	0.82	-	0.88	0.88	-
$p_T > 50 \text{ GeV}$	0.16	0.16	0.19	0.15	0.15	0.18	0.38	0.38	0.43
$\Delta R > 0.7$	0.78	0.15	0.95	0.79	0.14	0.96	0.85	0.36	0.94
$b\text{-tags} = 2$	0.44	0.064	0.44	0.44	0.062	0.44	0.44	0.15	0.44
$\delta_m < 0.075$	0.13	0.010	0.16	0.11	0.0085	0.14	0.15	0.026	0.17
$ \cos \theta^*  < 0.4$	0.33	0.0047	0.46	0.19	0.0021	0.24	0.36	0.026	0.45
$\Delta\eta_{\text{best}} < 0.8$	0.31	0.0030	0.64	0.23	0.00077	0.38	0.37	0.0069	0.60
$\Delta R_{\text{best}} < 1.5$	0.25	0.0025	0.85	0.19	0.00063	0.82	0.31	0.0056	0.81
$\Delta R_{\text{best}} < 1$	0.031	0.00080	0.32	0.030	0.00020	0.32	0.043	0.0016	0.28

<sup>a</sup>This QCD cross section is computed taking  $p_T > 35 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta| < 3.5$  and  $\Delta R > 0.4$  for the matrix element computation.

$m_{\tilde{t}} = 200 \text{ GeV} - \Delta R \text{ pairing}$									
Selection	$\tilde{t}\tilde{t}^* (9.1 \text{ pb})$			QCD $b\bar{b}jj (136 \text{ pb})^b$			$t\bar{t} (135 \text{ pb})$		
	$\epsilon^{(1)}$	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon_{i \rightarrow i+1}$	$\epsilon^{(1)}$	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon_{i \rightarrow i+1}$	$\epsilon^{(1)}$	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon_{i \rightarrow i+1}$
$\eta < 2.8$	0.16	0.16	-	0.94	0.036	-	0.88	0.88	-
$p_T > 100 \text{ GeV}$	0.026	0.026	0.16	0.13	0.13	0.14	0.0031	0.31	0.035
$\Delta R > 0.7$	0.15	0.035	0.95	0.88	0.12	0.93	0.85	0.027	0.87
$b\text{-tags} = 2$	0.44	0.011	0.44	0.44	0.52	0.44	0.44	0.012	0.44
$\delta_m < 0.075$	0.036	0.0031	0.29	0.12	0.0072	0.14	0.15	0.0015	0.13
$ \cos \theta^*  < 0.4$	0.096	0.0018	0.57	0.25	0.0021	0.29	0.36	0.00066	0.45
$\Delta\eta_{\text{best}} < 0.8$	0.078	0.0013	0.73	0.29	0.00084	0.41	0.38	0.00044	0.66
$\Delta R_{\text{best}} < 1.5$	0.075	0.0011	0.85	0.26	0.00071	0.84	0.31	0.00038	0.86
$\Delta R_{\text{best}} < 1$	0.012	0.00031	0.29	0.046	0.00025	0.35	0.043	0.00019	0.49

<sup>b</sup>This QCD cross section is computed taking  $p_T > 75 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta| < 3.5$  and  $\Delta R > 0.4$  for the matrix element computation.

# CUT EFFICIENCIES LHC@8TEV

$m_{\tilde{t}} = 100 \text{ GeV} - \Delta R \text{ pairing}$									
Selection	$t\bar{t}$ (314 pb)			QCD $b\bar{b}jj$ (8826 pb) <sup>a</sup>			$t\bar{t}$ (135 pb)		
	$\epsilon^{(1)}$	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon_{i \rightarrow i+1}$	$\epsilon^{(1)}$	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon_{i \rightarrow i+1}$	$\epsilon^{(1)}$	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon_{i \rightarrow i+1}$
$\eta < 2.8$	0.81	0.81	-	0.82	0.82	-	0.88	0.88	-
$p_T > 50 \text{ GeV}$	0.16	0.16	0.19	0.15	0.15	0.18	0.38	0.38	0.43
$\Delta R > 0.7$	0.78	0.15	0.95	0.79	0.14	0.96	0.85	0.36	0.94
$b\text{-tags} = 2$	0.44	0.064	0.			0.44	0.44	0.15	0.44
$\delta_m < 0.075$	0.13	0.010	0.			0.14	0.15	0.026	0.17
$ \cos \theta^*  < 0.4$	0.33	0.0047	0.			0.24	0.36	0.026	0.45
$\Delta\eta_{\text{best}} < 0.8$	0.31	0.0030	0.			0.38	0.37	0.0069	0.60
$\Delta R_{\text{best}} < 1.5$	0.25	0.0025	0.85	0.19	0.00063	0.82	0.31	0.0056	0.81
$\Delta R_{\text{best}} < 1$	0.031	0.00080	0.32	0.030	0.00020	0.32	0.043	0.0016	0.28

$S/B \sim 12\%$

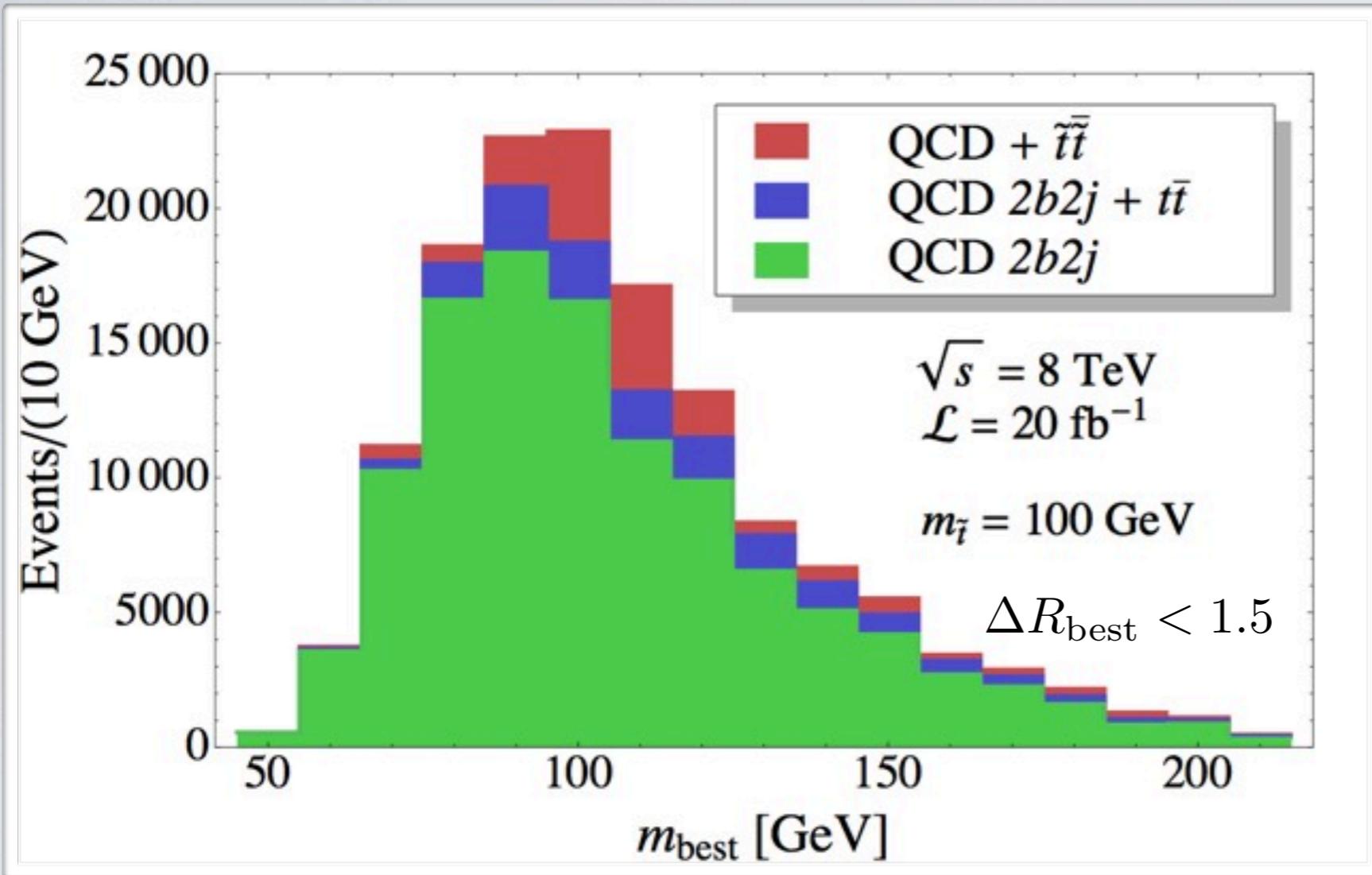
<sup>a</sup>This QCD cross section is computed taking  $p_T > 35 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta| < 3.5$  and  $\Delta R > 0.4$  for the matrix element computation.

$m_{\tilde{t}} = 200 \text{ GeV} - \Delta R \text{ pairing}$									
Selection	$t\bar{t}$ (9.1 pb)			QCD $b\bar{b}jj$ (136 pb) <sup>b</sup>			$t\bar{t}$ (135 pb)		
	$\epsilon^{(1)}$	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon_{i \rightarrow i+1}$	$\epsilon^{(1)}$	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon_{i \rightarrow i+1}$	$\epsilon^{(1)}$	$\epsilon$	$\epsilon_{i \rightarrow i+1}$
$\eta < 2.8$	0.16	0.16	-	0.94	0.036	-	0.88	0.88	-
$p_T > 100 \text{ GeV}$	0.026	0.026	0.16	0.13	0.13	0.14	0.0031	0.31	0.035
$\Delta R > 0.7$	0.15	0.035	0.95	0.88	0.12	0.93	0.85	0.027	0.87
$b\text{-tags} = 2$	0.44	0.011	0.			0.44	0.44	0.012	0.44
$\delta_m < 0.075$	0.036	0.0031	0.			0.14	0.15	0.0015	0.13
$ \cos \theta^*  < 0.4$	0.096	0.0018	0.			0.29	0.36	0.00066	0.45
$\Delta\eta_{\text{best}} < 0.8$	0.078	0.0013	0.			0.41	0.38	0.00044	0.66
$\Delta R_{\text{best}} < 1.5$	0.075	0.0011	0.85	0.26	0.00071	0.84	0.31	0.00038	0.86
$\Delta R_{\text{best}} < 1$	0.012	0.00031	0.29	0.046	0.00025	0.35	0.043	0.00019	0.49

$S/B \sim 7\%$

<sup>b</sup>This QCD cross section is computed taking  $p_T > 75 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta| < 3.5$  and  $\Delta R > 0.4$  for the matrix element computation.

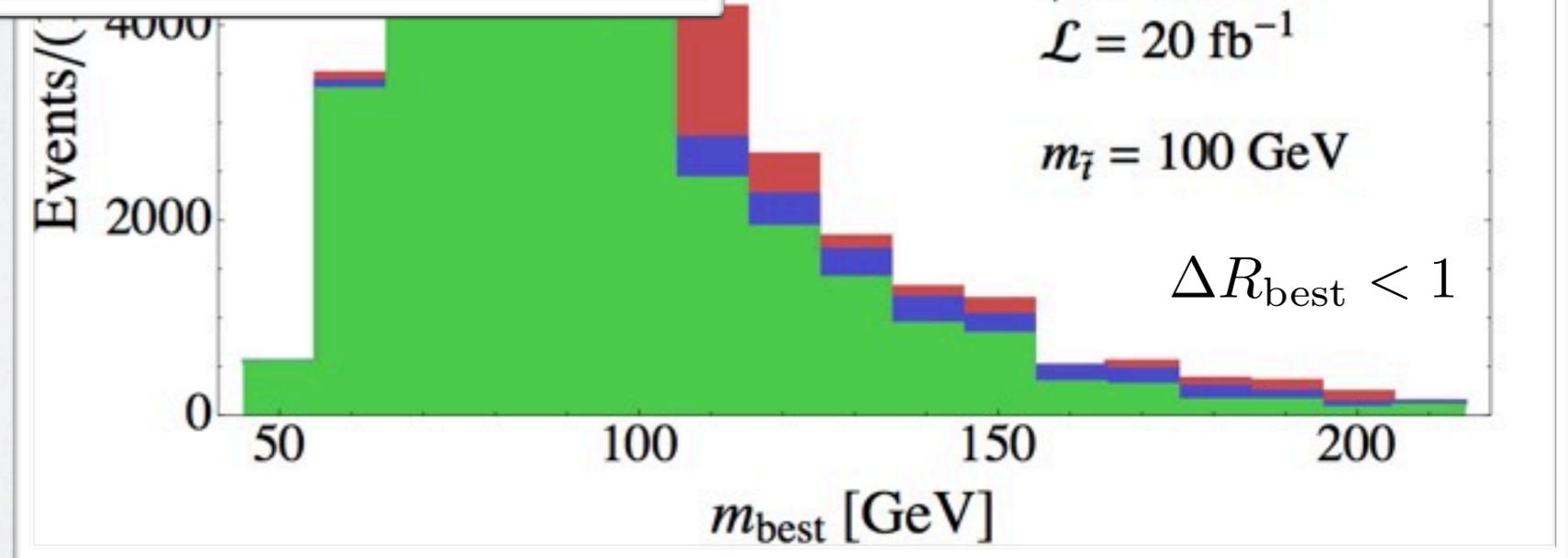
# RESULTS: 100 GEV STOPS



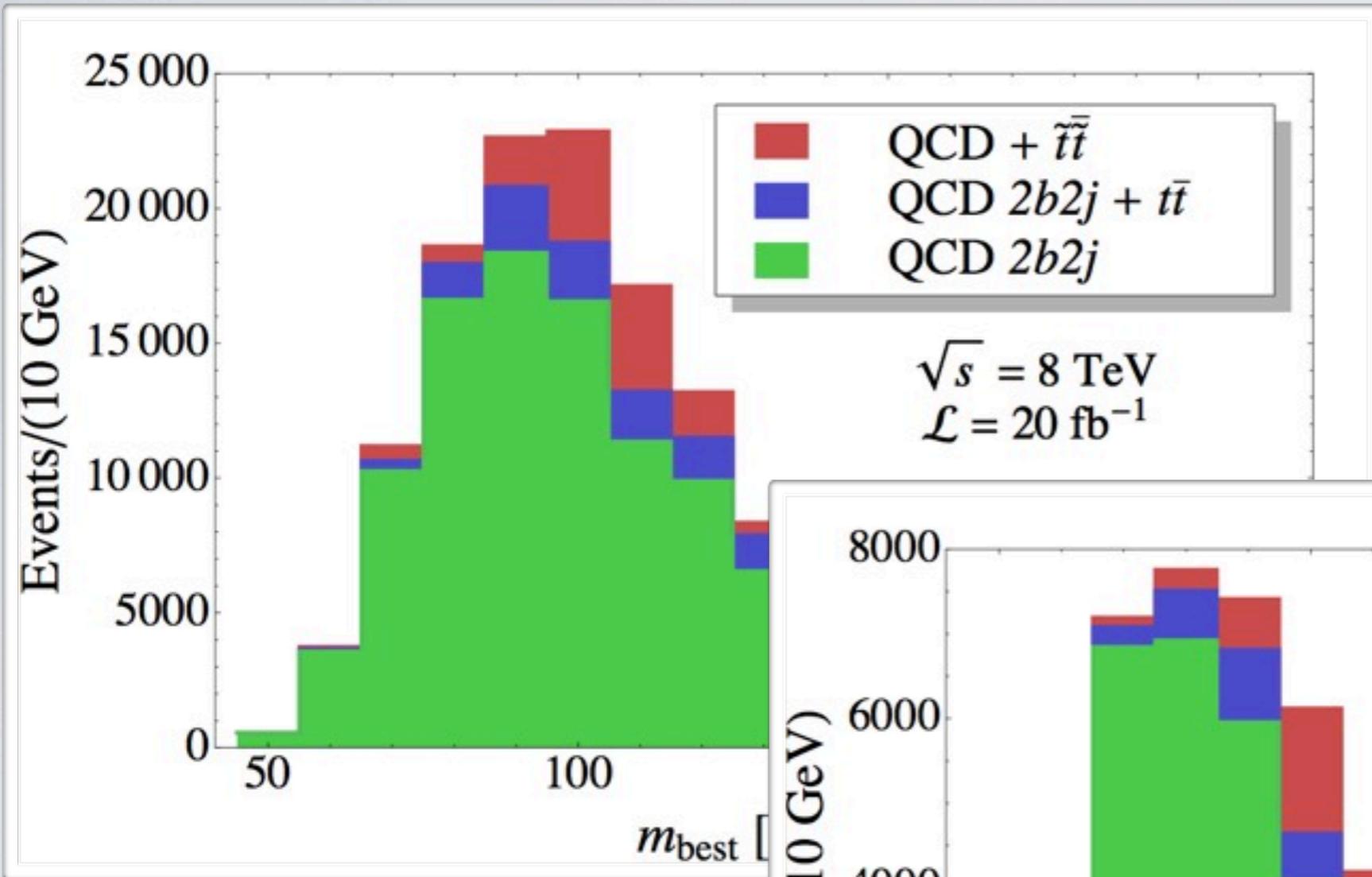
Several bins with large S/B

Discovery possible at the LHC provided events with small jet  $p_T$  have been recorded (maybe some “parked” data?)

Harder  $\Delta R_{\text{best}}$  cut forces the signal to bump on the smoothly falling background



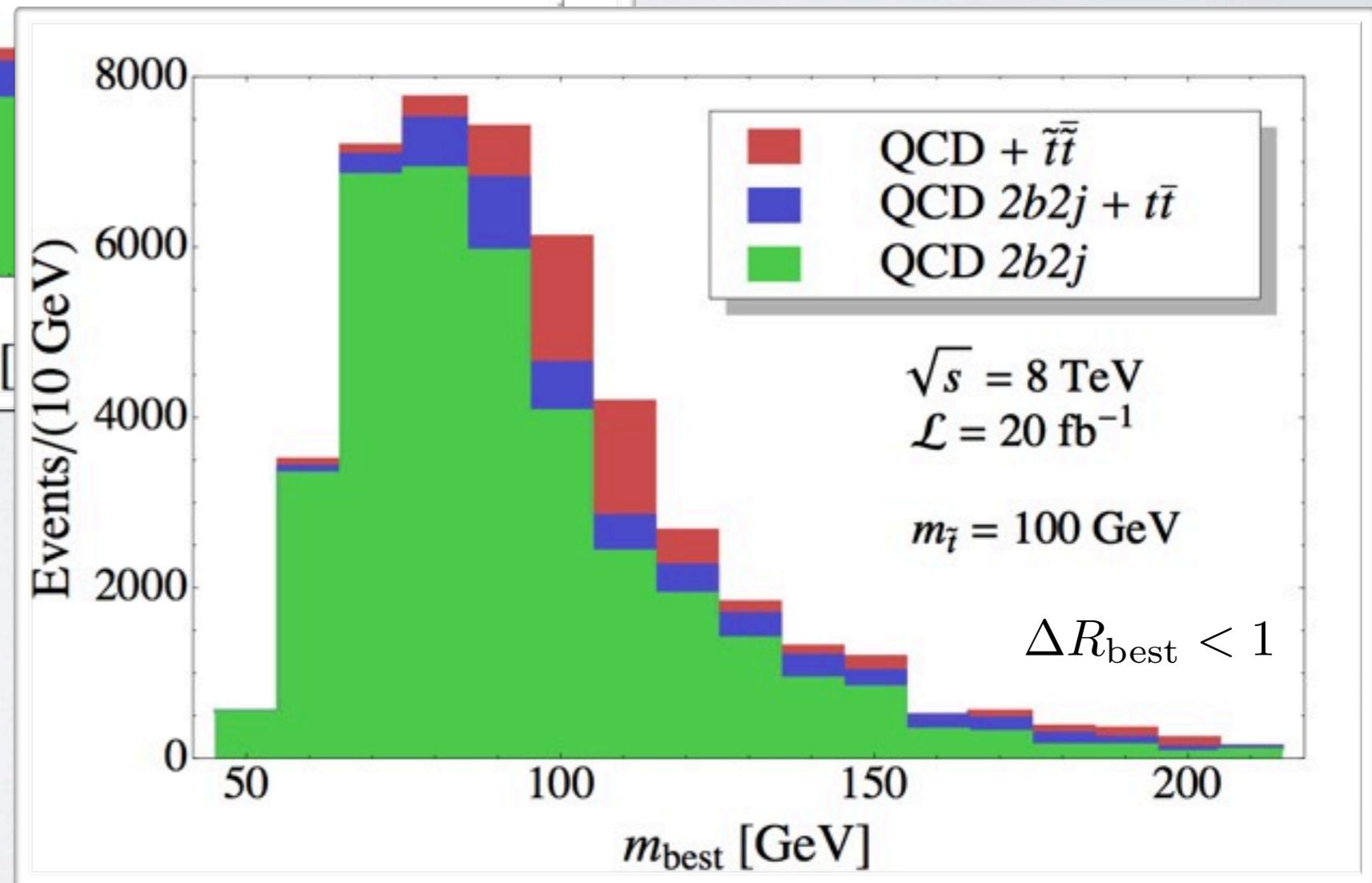
# RESULTS: 100 GEV STOPS



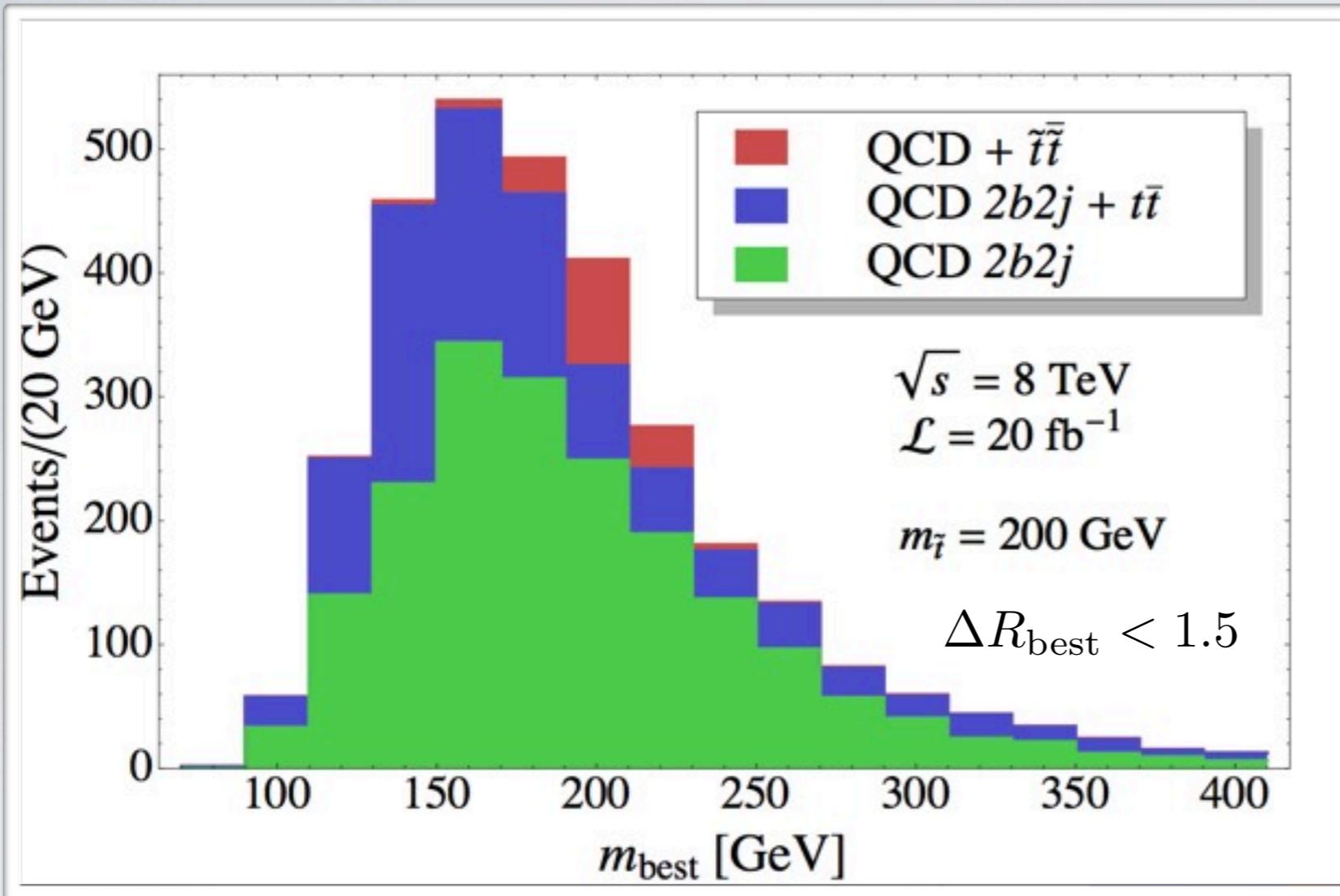
Several bins with large S/B

Discovery possible at the LHC provided events with small jet  $p_T$  have been recorded (maybe some “parked” data?)

Harder  $\Delta R_{\text{best}}$  cut forces the signal to bump on the smoothly falling background

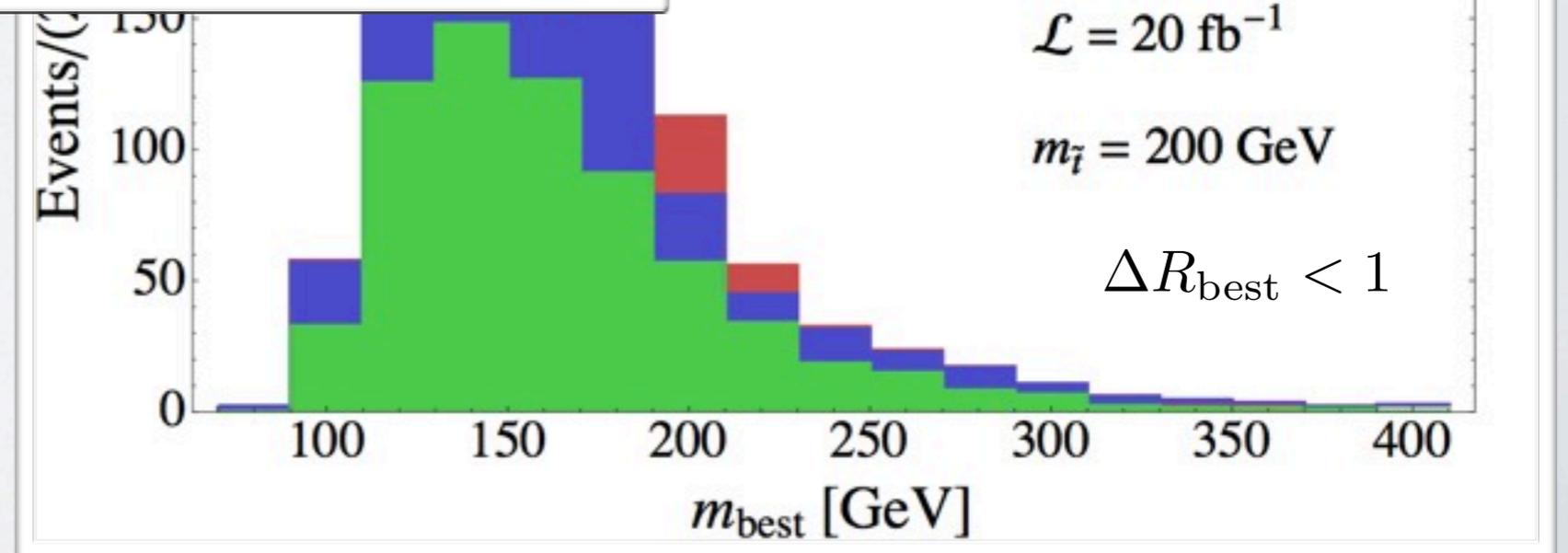


# RESULTS: 200 GEV STOPS



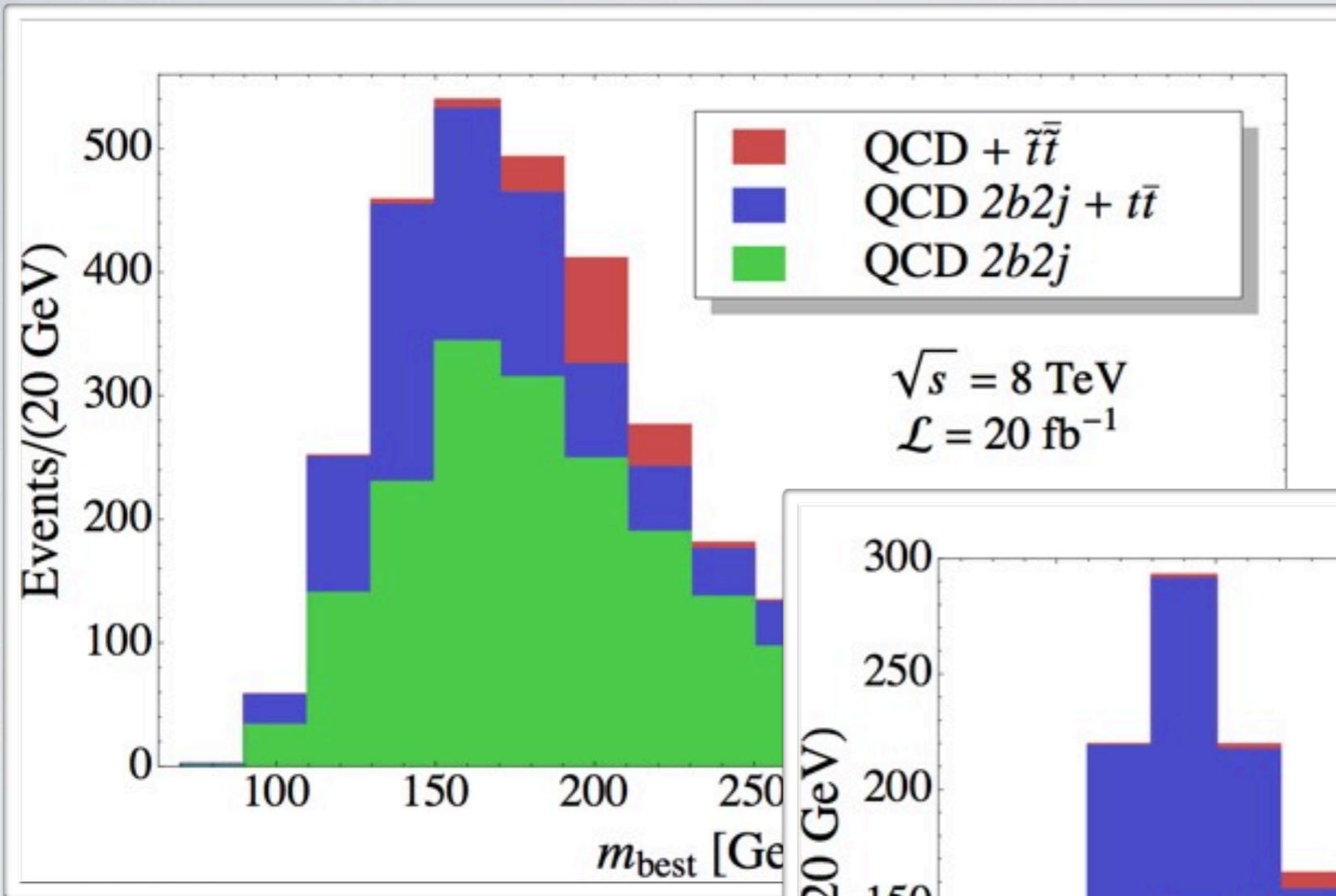
Several bins with large S/B

Discovery possible at the LHC provided events with small jet  $p_T$  have been recorded (maybe some “parked” data?)



Harder  $\Delta R_{\text{best}}$  cut forces the signal to bump on the smoothly falling background

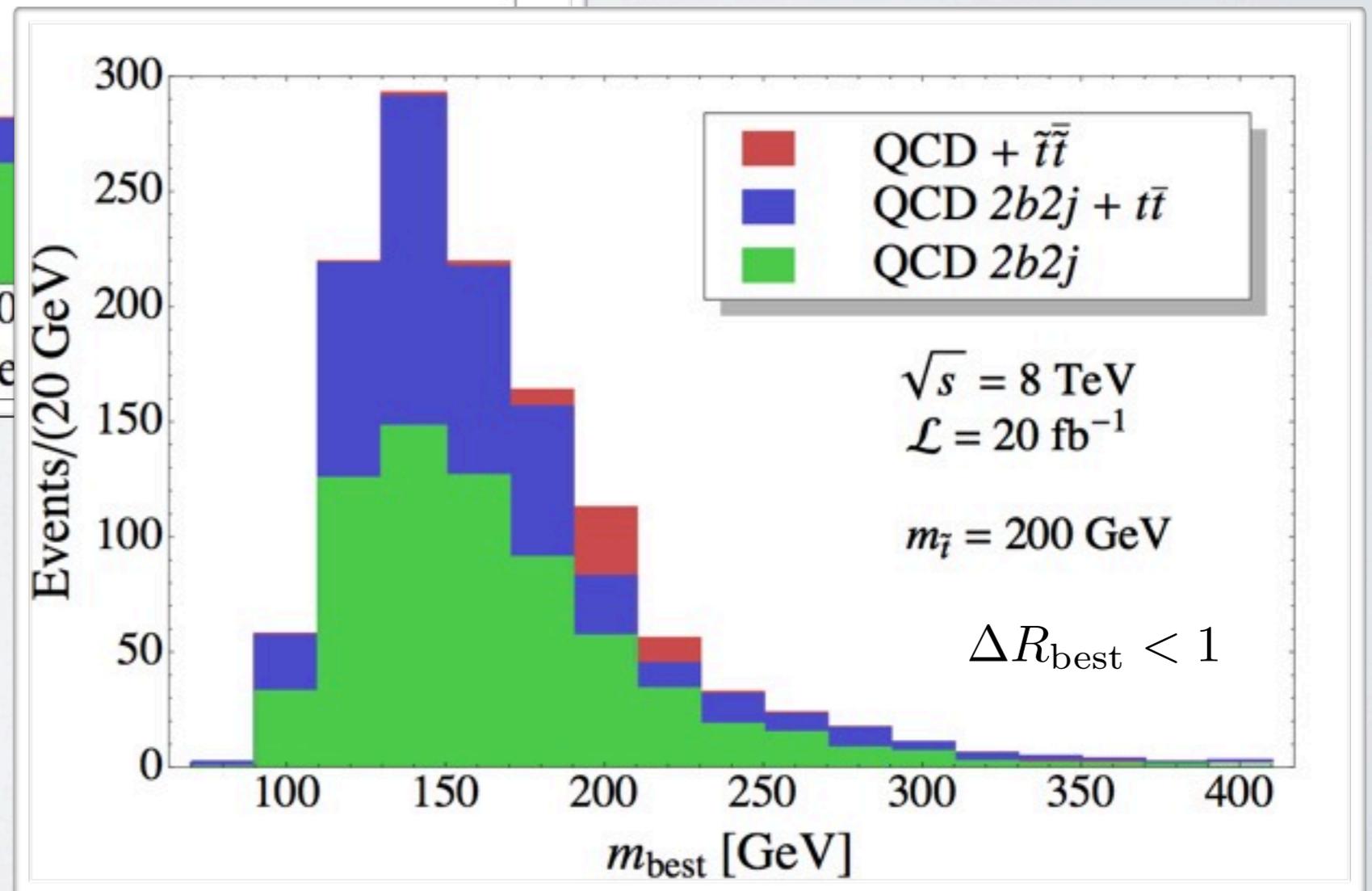
# RESULTS: 200 GEV STOPS



Several bins with large S/B

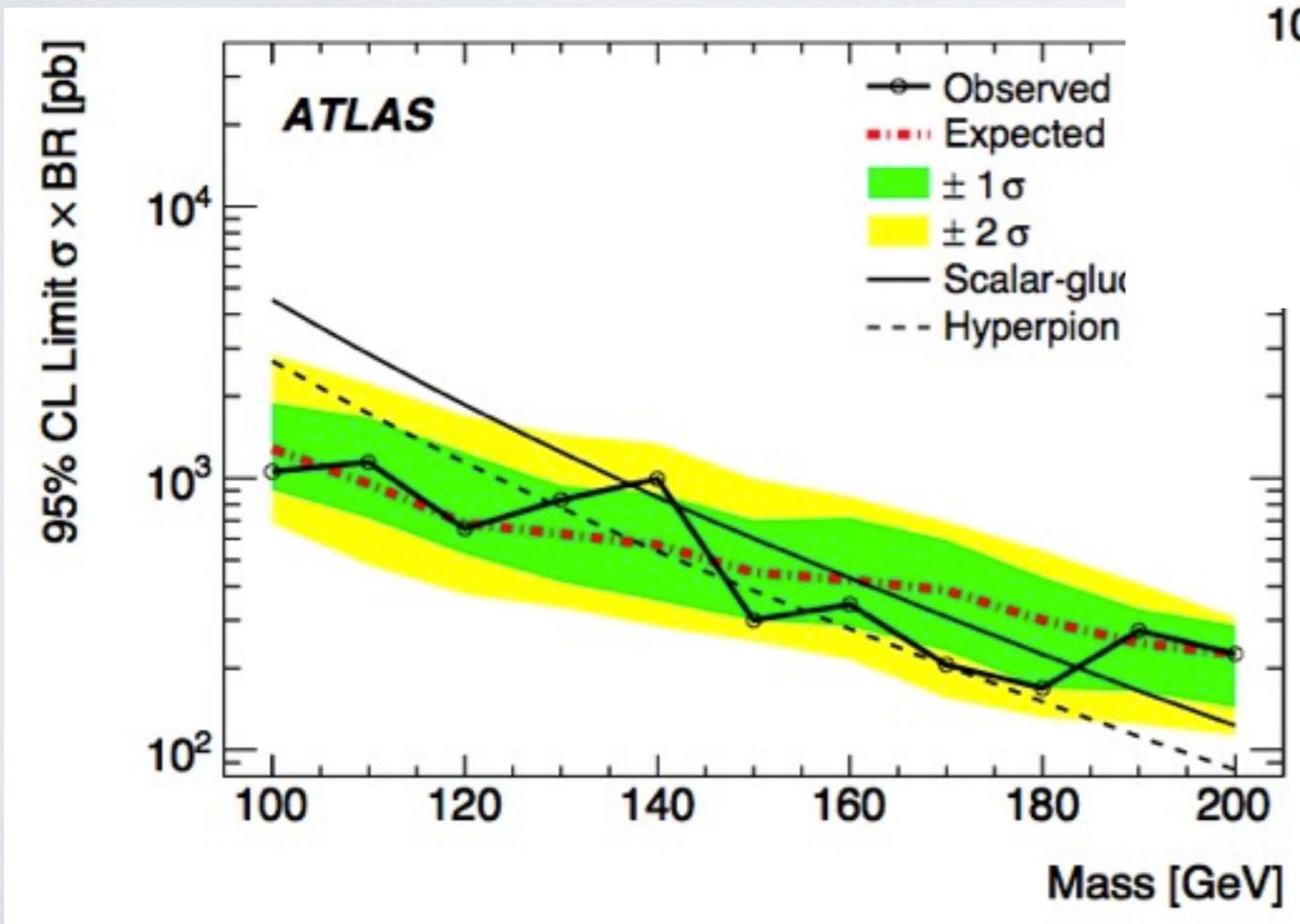
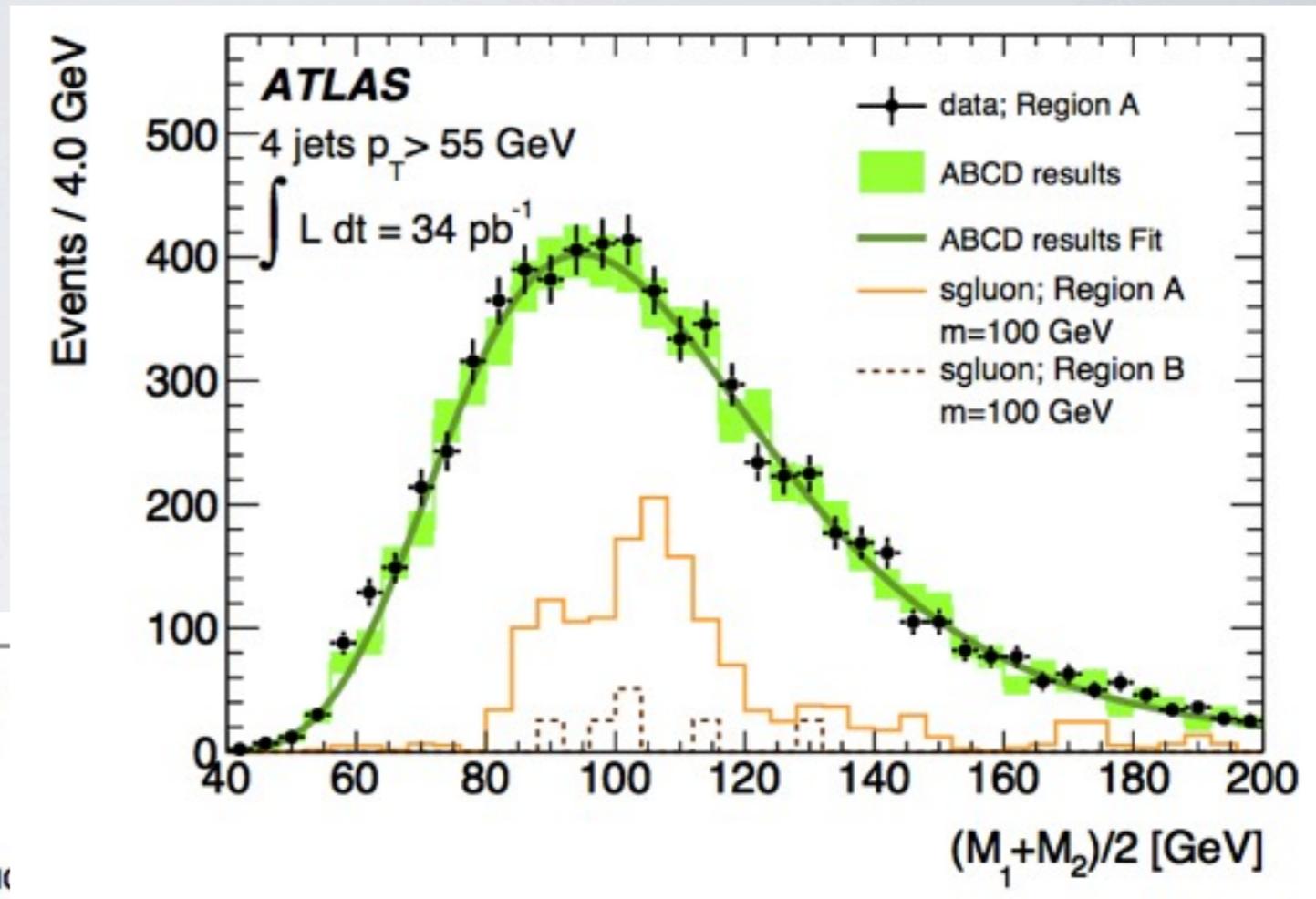
Discovery possible at the LHC provided events with small jet  $p_T$  have been recorded (maybe some “parked” data?)

Harder  $\Delta R_{\text{best}}$  cut forces the signal to bump on the smoothly falling background



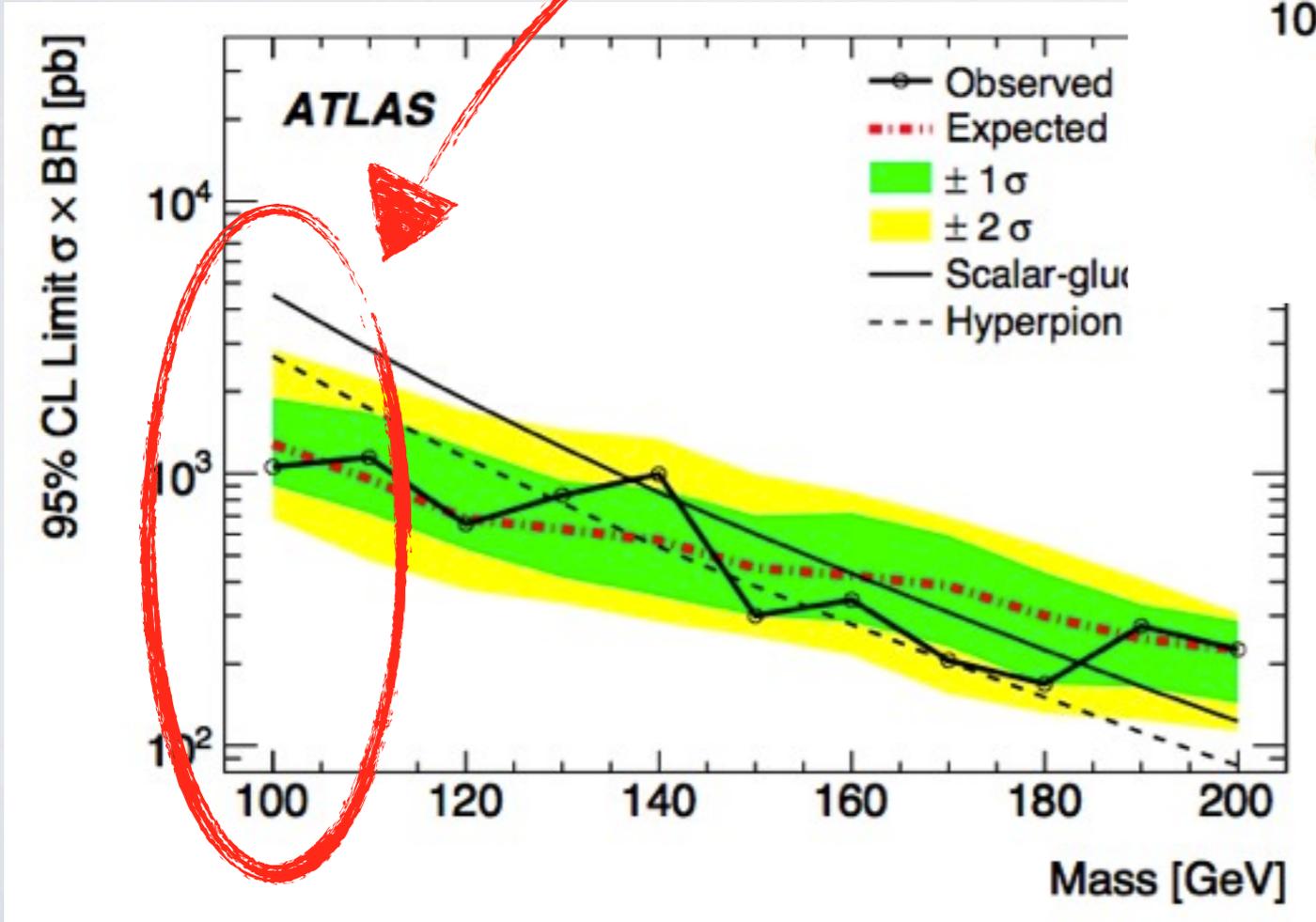
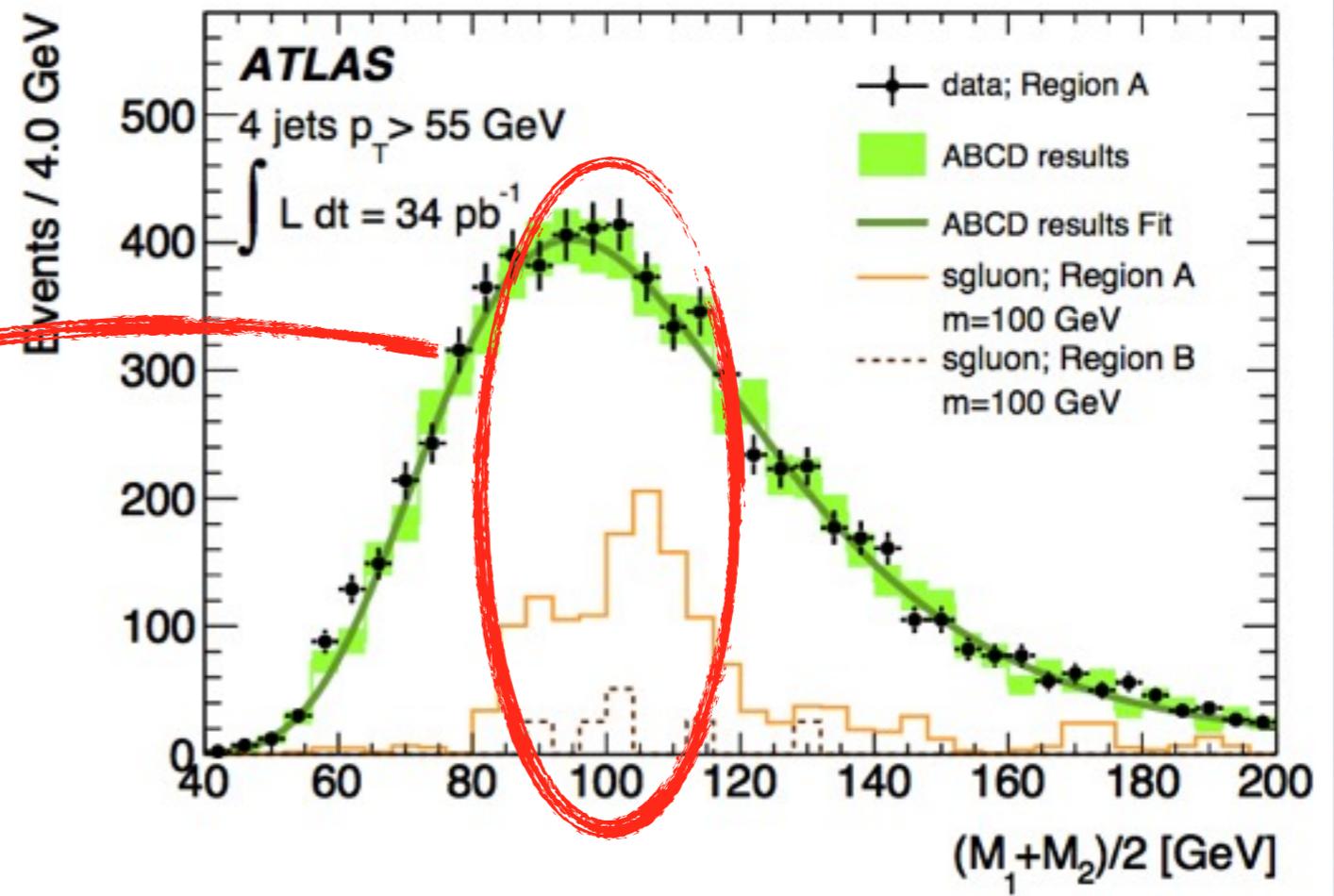
# HOW ROBUST IS OUR PREDICTION?

- One may argue that the signal can hardly be extracted from the BG for our S/B
- We can simply check the S/B which allows discovery/exclusion by comparing with experimental analyses



# HOW ROBUST IS OUR PREDICTION?

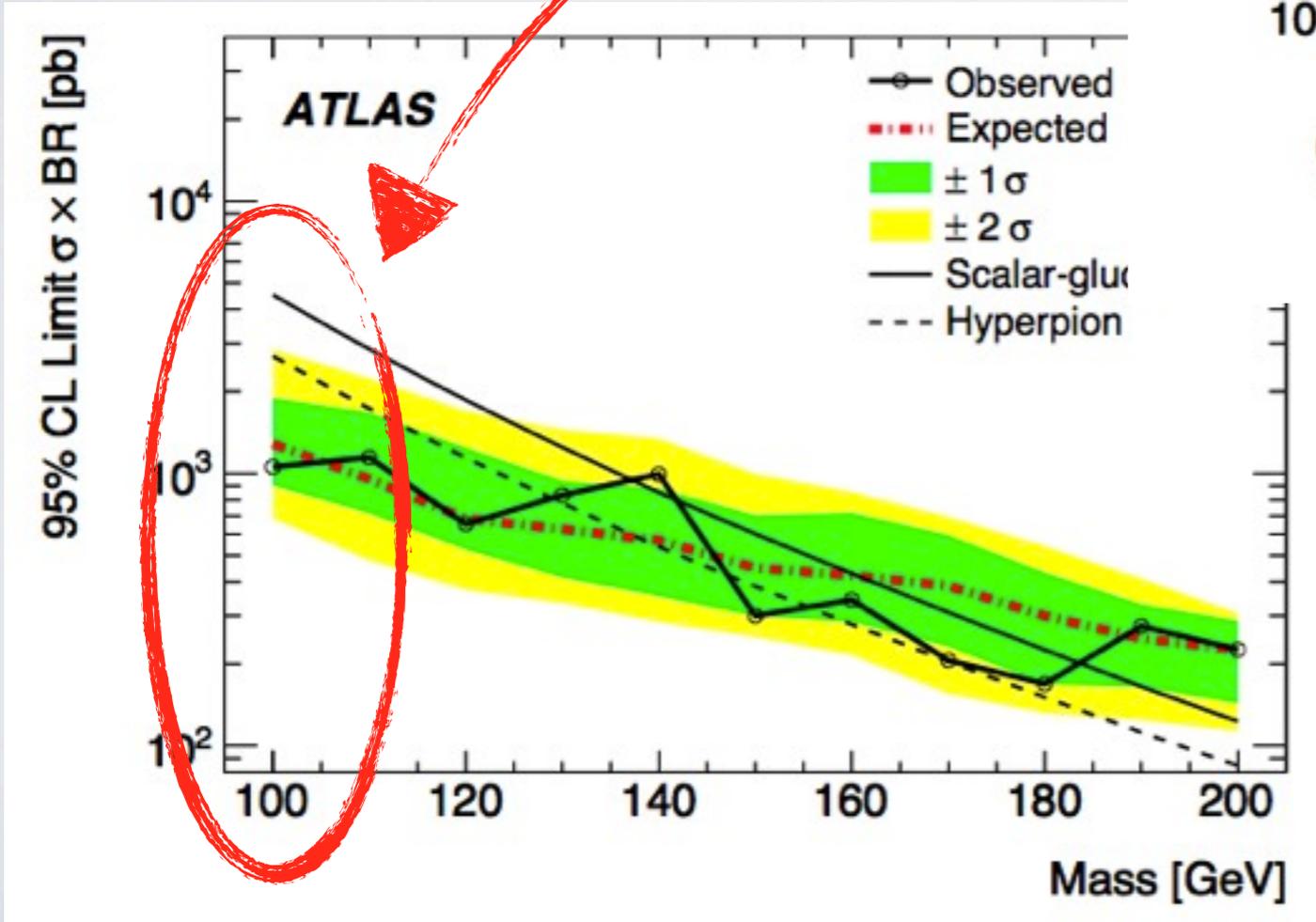
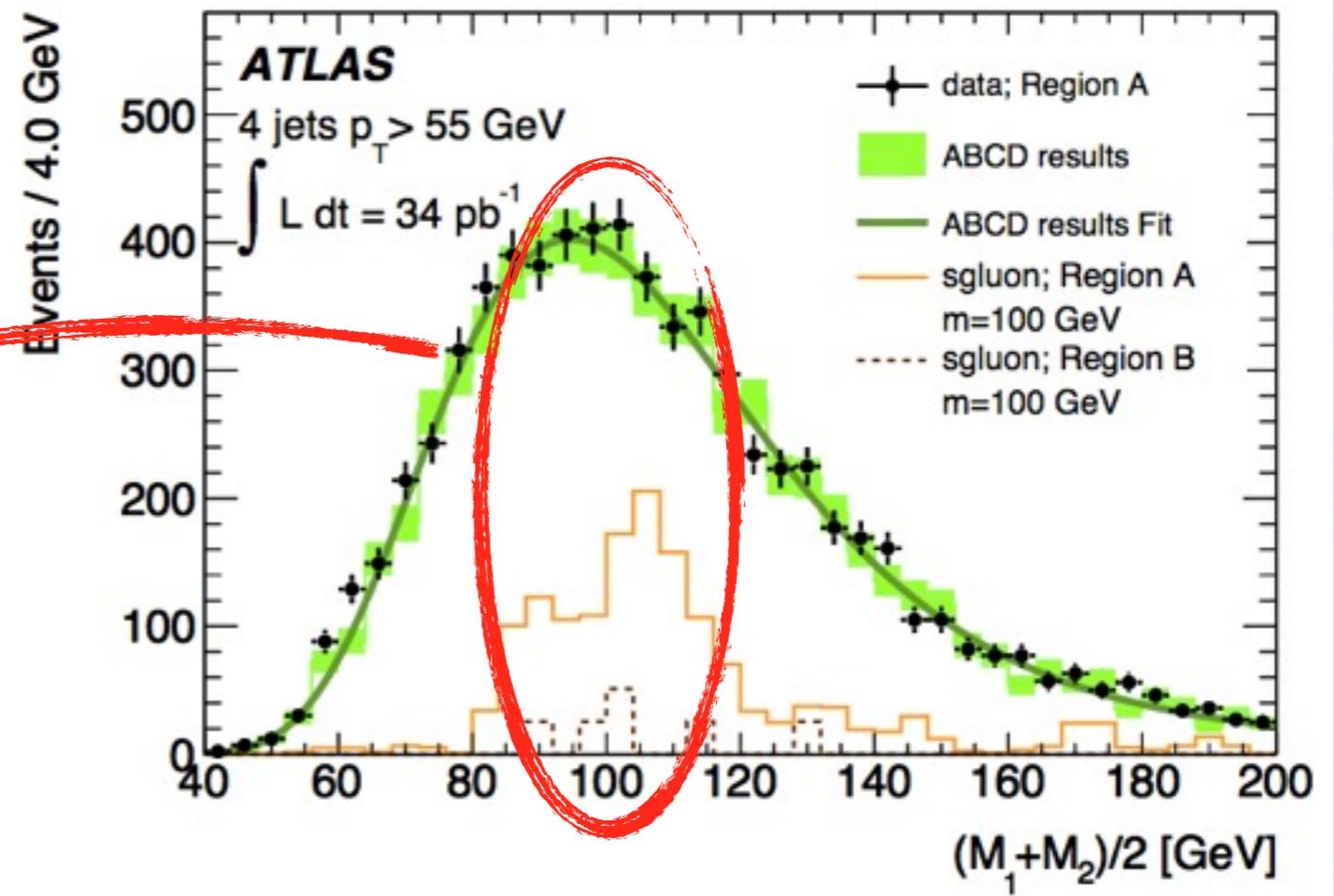
- One may argue that the signal can hardly be extracted from the BG for our S/B
- We can simply check the S/B which allows discovery/exclusion by comparing with experimental analyses



- With  $S/B \sim 0.5$  they can exclude the sgluon CS by a factor of 4/5

# HOW ROBUST IS OUR PREDICTION?

- One may argue that the signal can hardly be extracted from the BG for our S/B
- We can simply check the S/B which allows discovery/exclusion by comparing with experimental analyses



- With  $S/B \sim 0.5$  they can exclude the sgluon CS by a factor of 4/5

They are sensitive to  $S/B \sim 0.1$  with an analysis very similar to ours!

# CONCLUSION

- If we take Naturalness as a driving principle, then a new “LHC paradox” adds up to the “LEP paradox” to require non-minimal models
- Insisting on Naturalness and Supersymmetry and in the attempt of building an effective SUSY model,  $R$ -parity is probably not enough to guarantee proton stability and looking for RPV physics can be motivated (in effective SUSY models)
- RPV SUSY is characterized by the absence of large MET and its phenomenology is strikingly different from the RPC one
- We studied the pair production of stops in the Natural region (where the stop mass is very close to the top-quark one) assuming large BR into heavy flavor final states (motivated by RPV model building)
- We pointed out the importance of using online  $b$ -tagging to keep low  $p_T$  thresholds in the trigger for multi-jet final states in order to cover all the region down to the present bound on RPV stops
- Using  $b$ -tagging and suitable angular selections we concluded that light RPV stops can be discovered even with the data already collected in the first run of the LHC

**THANK YOU**