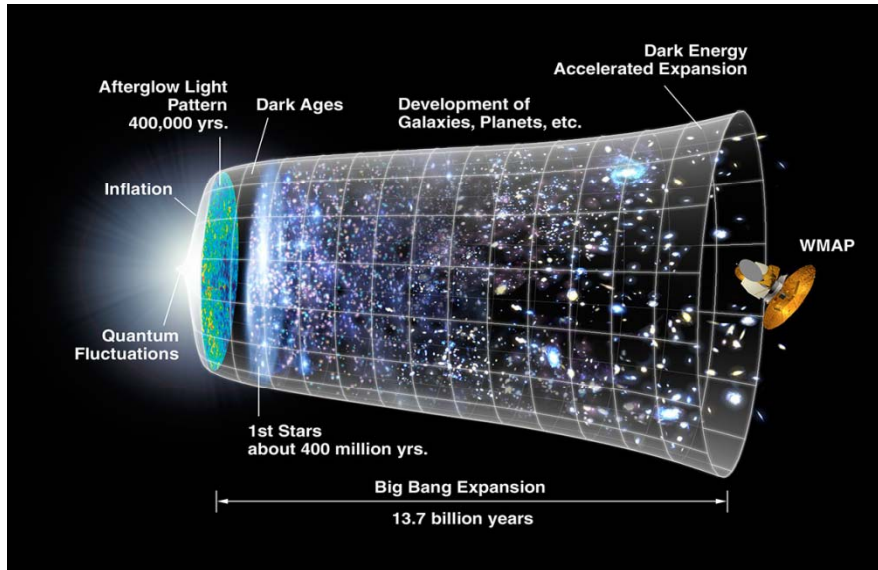


MSSM Inflation and the LHC



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Introduction:

LHC-Cosmology connection studied in the context of WIMP dark matter:

- See the WIMP (missing energy) and measure its mass
- Make measurements and identify a point in the dark matter allowed region for a given model (e.g., mSUGRA)
- Measure as many parameters as possible, and calculate thermal relic density

How about other connections between LHC & cosmology?

Inflation?

(Baryogenesis?)

Some connection between physics of inflation (or baryogenesis) and TeV scale physics must exist.

Example: Probing TeV scale leptogenesis at the LHC

Blanchet, Chacko, Granor, Mohapatra [arXiv:0904.2174](https://arxiv.org/abs/0904.2174)

Key: Embedding inflation in TeV scale physics

Most direct connection:

[Inflation driven by the visible sector](#)

R.A., Enqvist, Garcia-Bellido, Mazumdar [PRL 97, 191304 \(2006\)](#)

Less direct:

[Inflation driven by the SUSY breaking sector](#)

R.A., Dutta, Sinha [PRD 81, 083538 \(2010\)](#)

Inflation in MSSM:

Inflation: a period of superluminal expansion of the universe.

It is driven by a scalar field ϕ (inflaton):

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + V'(\phi) = 0 \qquad H^2 = \frac{V(\phi)}{3M_P^2}$$

H : Hubble expansion rate

Assumptions:

Canonical kinetic terms, minimal coupling to gravity

Inflation occurs in the slow-roll regime $|\varepsilon|, |\eta| \ll 1$:

$$\varepsilon \equiv \frac{1}{2} M_P^2 \left(\frac{V'}{V} \right)^2 \qquad \eta \equiv M_P^2 \frac{V''}{V}$$

Inflation occurs within a field range (ϕ_i, ϕ_e) :

$$\frac{a_e}{a_i} = \exp(N_{tot}) \qquad N_{tot} = \frac{1}{M_P^2} \int_{\phi_i}^{\phi_e} \frac{V}{V'} d\phi$$

a : Scale factor of the universe

$N_{tot} \geq N_{COBE} \approx (30 - 60)$ needed to explain the isotropy and flatness problems of the big-bang model.

Observable: Density fluctuations (CMB temperature anisotropy).

$$\delta_H = \frac{1}{5\pi} \frac{H^2}{\dot{\phi}}$$

Amplitude

$$\approx 1.9 \times 10^{-5} \quad (\text{COBE})$$

$$n_s = 1 + 2\eta - 6\varepsilon$$

Scalar spectral index

$$0.963 \pm 0.024 \quad (\text{WMAP7})$$

MSSM has many scalar fields (Higgses, squarks, sleptons).

Can MSSM lead to inflation?

Answer (naive):

No, slow-roll conditions not satisfied.

Hopeless effort?

NO!

Potential can be made sufficiently flat along various directions in the field space.

Two such directions can lead to successful inflation.

R.A., Enqvist, Garcia-Bellido, Mazumdar [PRL 97, 191304 \(2006\)](#)

R.A., Enqvist, Garcia-Bellido, Jokinen, Mazumdar [JCAP 0706, 019 \(2007\)](#)

Inflaton candidates in MSSM:

$$\varphi = \frac{\tilde{u} + \tilde{d} + \tilde{d}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\varphi = \frac{\tilde{L} + \tilde{L} + \tilde{e}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

(family, color, and weak isospin indices omitted)

Flat directions: $V(\varphi) = 0$ in MSSM with unbroken SUSY.

SUSY breaking+

Higher order terms:

Dine, Randall, Thomas NPB 458, 291 (1996)

$$V(\varphi) = \frac{1}{2} m_\phi^2 \phi^2 + A\lambda \cos(6\theta) \frac{\phi^6}{M_P^3} + \lambda^2 \frac{\phi^{10}}{M_P^6}$$

$$\varphi = \frac{\phi}{\sqrt{2}} \exp(i\theta)$$

$m_\phi, A \sim O(\text{TeV})$
↑ soft mass ↑ A-term

Minimizing the potential along θ :

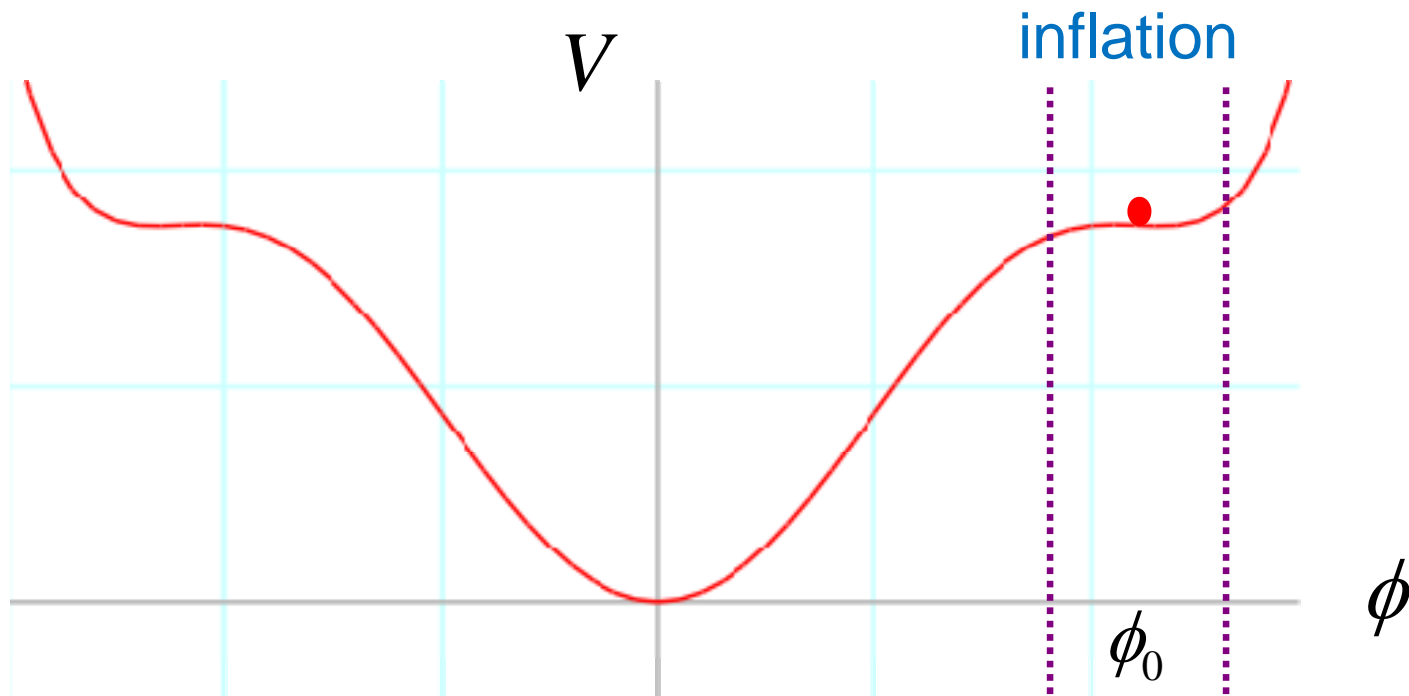
$$V(\phi) = \frac{1}{2} m_\phi^2 \phi^2 - A\lambda \frac{\phi^6}{M_P^3} + \lambda^2 \frac{\phi^{10}}{M_P^6}$$

A point of inflection ϕ_0 exists in the potential:

$$\phi_0 \cong \left(\frac{m_\phi M_P^3}{\sqrt{10}\lambda} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

Provided that:

$$\frac{A^2}{40 m_\phi^2} \cong 1 + 4\alpha^2 \quad (\alpha \ll 1)$$



$$V''(\phi_0) = 0$$

$$V'(\phi_0) = 4\alpha^2 m_\phi^2 \phi_0$$

$$V(\phi_0) = \frac{4}{15} m_\phi^2 \phi_0^2$$

Inflation point

Properties, Predictions, and Parameter Space:

Density perturbations:

Bueno-Sanchez, Dimopoulos, Lyth [JCAP 0701, 015 \(2007\)](#)

R.A., Enqvist, Garcia-Bellido, Jokinen, Mazumdar [JCAP 0706, 019 \(2007\)](#)

$$\delta_H \approx \frac{8}{\sqrt{5}\pi} \frac{m_\phi M_P}{\phi_0^2} \frac{1}{\Delta^2} \sin^2 [N_{COBE} \Delta]$$

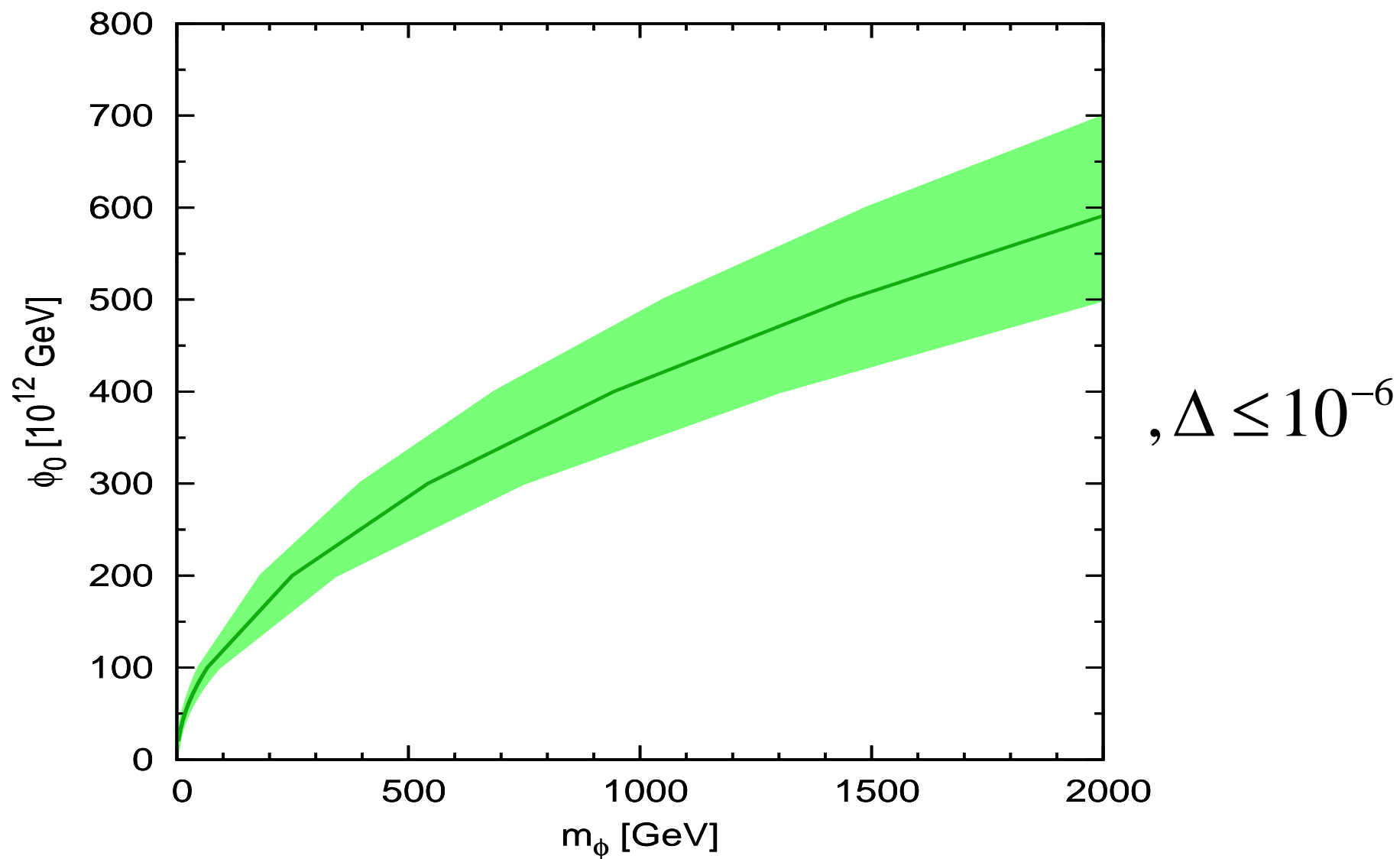
$$n_s = 1 - 4\Delta \cot [N_{COBE} \Delta]$$

$$N_{COBE} \approx 66.9 + \frac{1}{4} \ln \left(\frac{V(\phi_0)}{M_P^4} \right)$$

$$\Delta \equiv 30\alpha N_{COBE} \left(\frac{M_P}{\phi_0} \right)^2 \quad \frac{A^2}{40m_\phi^2} \equiv 1 + 4\alpha^2$$

Allowed parameter space to generate acceptable perturbations:

$$(\delta_H \approx 1.9 \times 10^{-5}, n_s = 0.963 \pm 0.024)$$



Important properties:

- 1) n_s within the whole range allowed by WMAP can be generated (unlike other models of inflation).
- 2) Creation of matter after inflation is guaranteed, and can be treated reliably (inflaton is a linear combination of sparticles).
- 3) CMB data alone cannot pinpoint the inflaton parameters (unlike other models of inflation).

Two observables: δ_H, n_s

Three parameters: m_ϕ, A, λ (can be traded for m_ϕ, ϕ_0, Δ)

Other experiments required to fix inflaton parameters

Cosmology/Phenomenology Complementarity:

The inflaton mass can be connected to low energy masses or input masses via RGEs.

$$\phi = \frac{\tilde{u} + \tilde{d} + \tilde{d}}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad m_{\phi}^2 = \frac{m_{\tilde{u}}^2 + m_{\tilde{d}}^2 + m_{\tilde{d}}^2}{3}$$

$$\phi = \frac{\tilde{L} + \tilde{L} + \tilde{e}}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad m_{\phi}^2 = \frac{m_{\tilde{L}}^2 + m_{\tilde{L}}^2 + m_{\tilde{e}}^2}{3}$$

M_1, M_2, M_3 : gaugino masses

g_1, g_2, g_3 : gauge couplings

$$\phi = \frac{\tilde{u} + \tilde{d} + \tilde{d}}{\sqrt{3}} : \text{R.A., Dutta, Mazumdar PRD 75, 075018 (2007)}$$

$$\mu \frac{dm_{\phi}^2}{d\mu} = -\frac{1}{6\pi^2} \left(4M_3^2 g_3^2 + \frac{2}{5} M_1^2 g_1^2 \right)$$

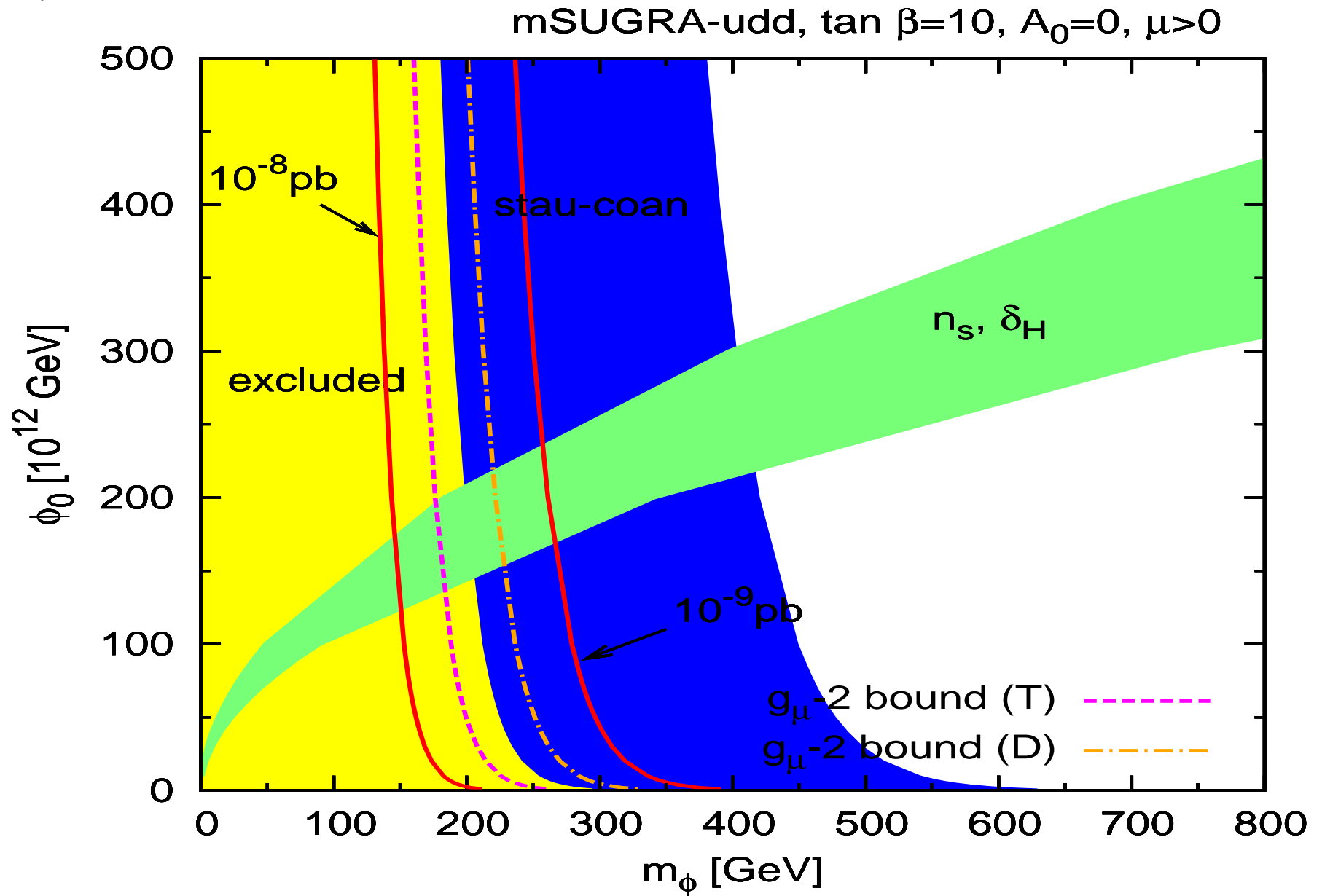
$$\mu \frac{dA}{d\mu} = -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \left(\frac{16}{3} M_3 g_3^2 + \frac{8}{5} M_1 g_1^2 \right)$$

$$\phi = \frac{\tilde{L} + \tilde{L} + \tilde{e}}{\sqrt{3}} :$$

$$\mu \frac{dm_{\phi}^2}{d\mu} = -\frac{1}{6\pi^2} \left(\frac{3}{2} M_2^2 g_2^2 + \frac{9}{10} M_1^2 g_1^2 \right)$$

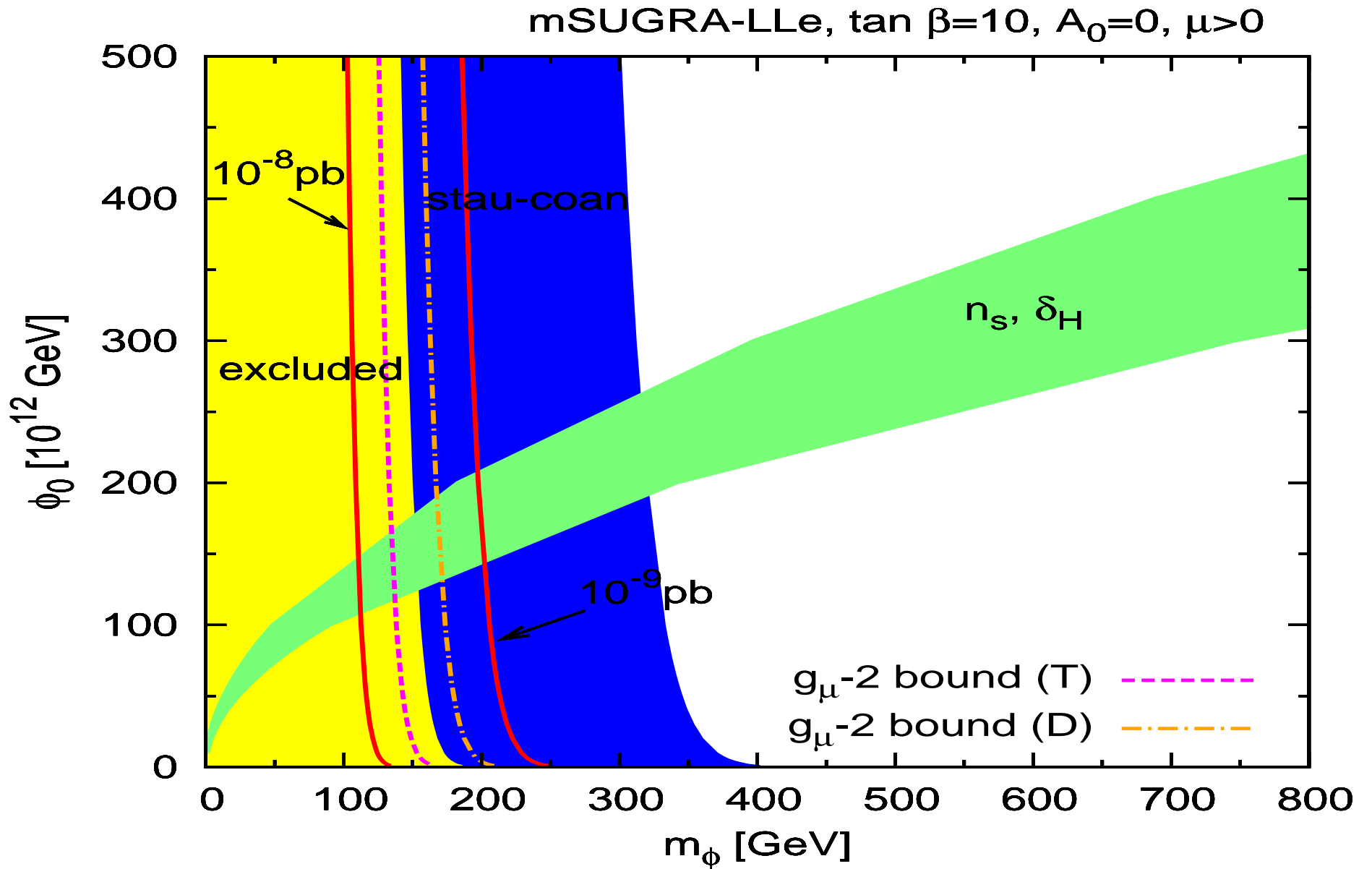
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The RGEs can be used to map mSUGRA parameter space into $m_\phi - \phi_0$ plane: R.A., Dutta, Santoso arXiv:1004.2741

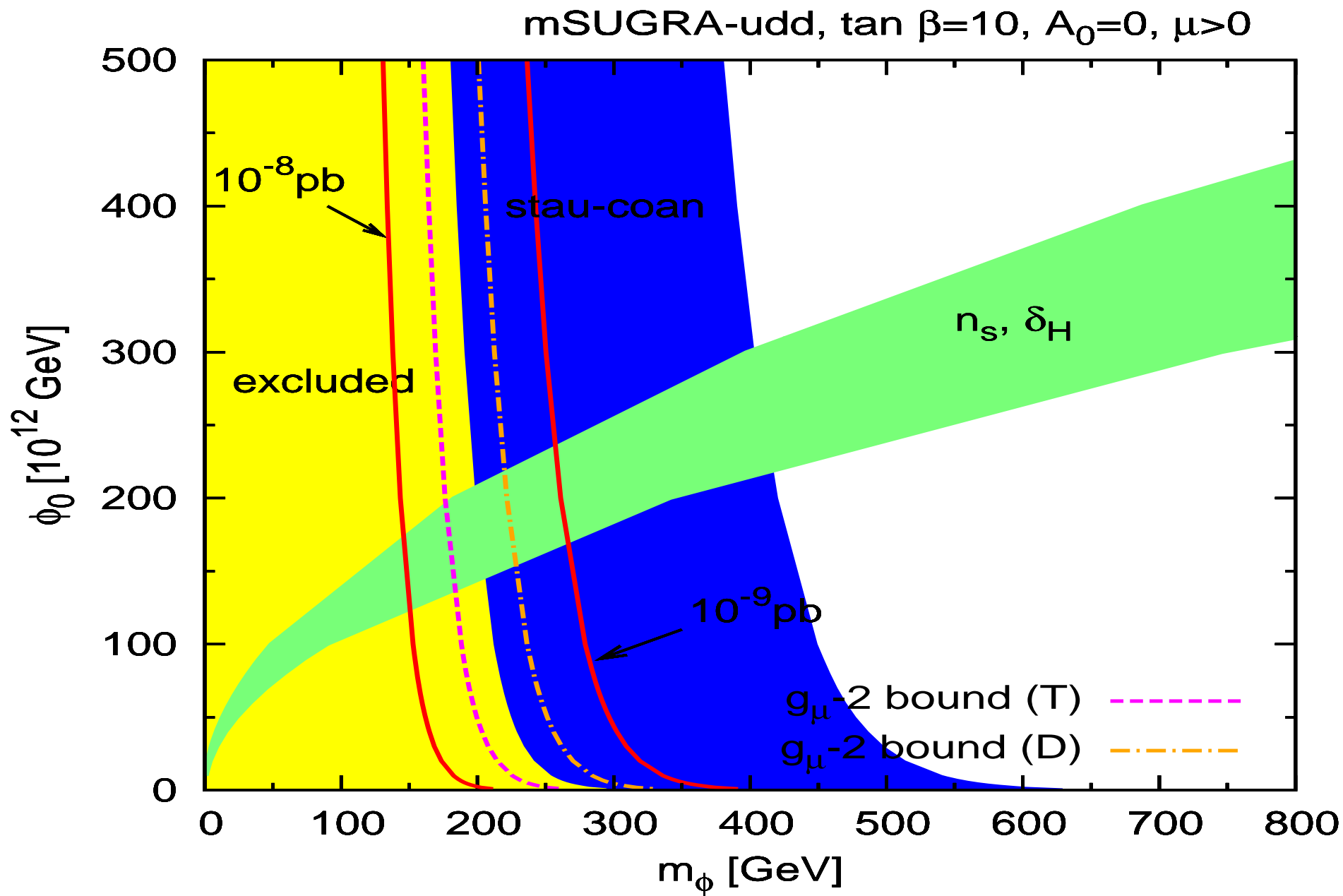


(T): Teubner, *et al* arXiv:1001.5401

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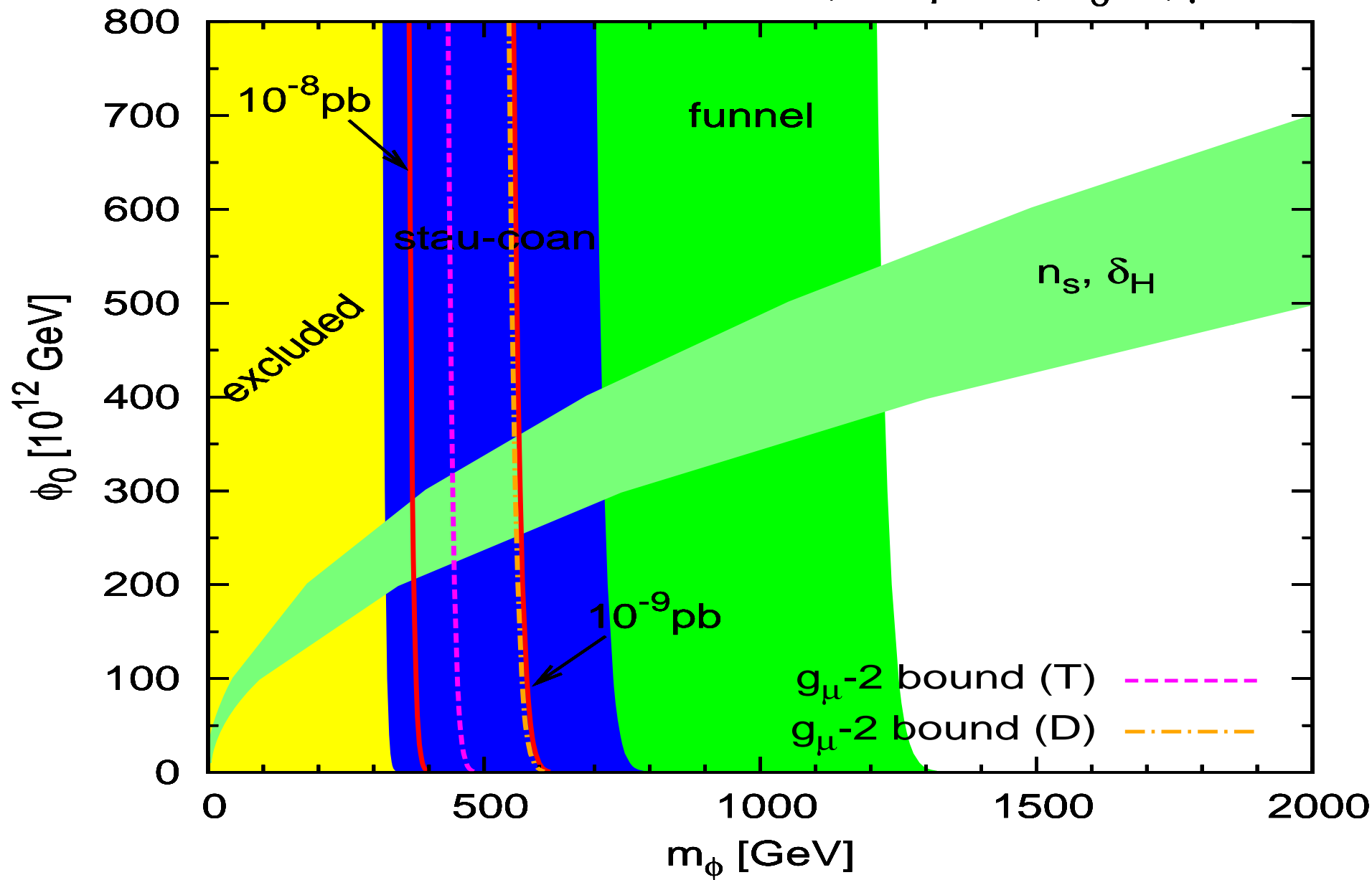


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mSUGRA-LLe, $\tan \beta=50$, $A_0=0$, $\mu>0$



LHC Role:

Mass measurements at the LHC can also be used to constrain $m_\phi - \phi_0$ plane.

Consider a SUSY reference point in the co-annihilation region (all masses are in GeV):

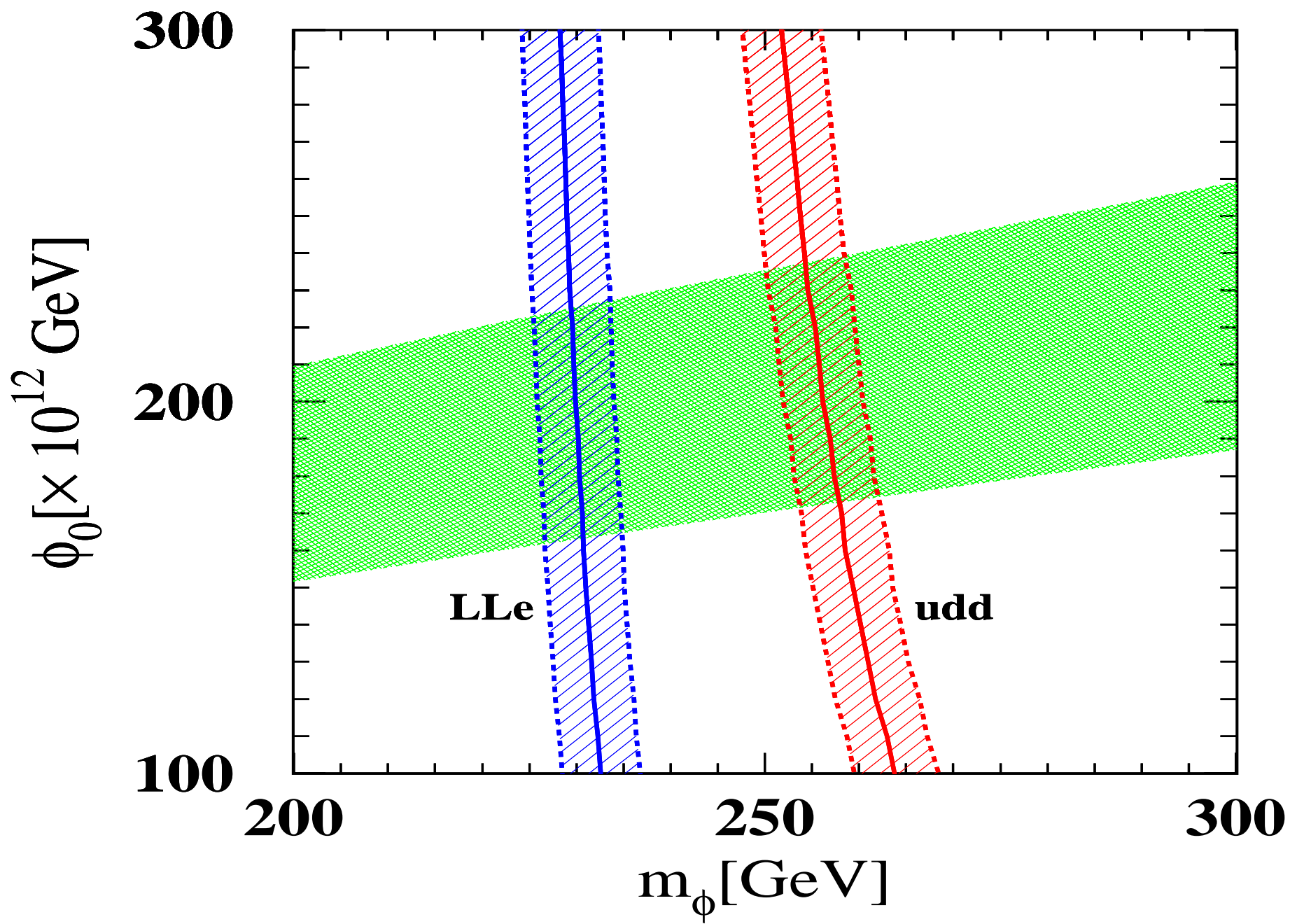
$$m_0 = 210, m_{1/2} = 350, \tan \beta = 40, A_0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m_{\chi_1^0} = 140.7, m_{\tilde{\tau}_1} = 151.3, m_{\tilde{\tau}_2} = 329$$

With 10 fb^{-1} of data, LHC can determine high energy parameters:

$$m_0 = 210 \pm 4, m_{1/2} = 350 \pm 4, \tan \beta = 40 \pm 1, A_0 = 0 \pm 16$$

Arnowitt, Dutta, Gurrola, Kamon, Krislock, Toback [PRL 100, 231802 \(2006\)](#)



General approach:

- 1) Find SUSY.
- 2) Measure as many masses as possible (sparticles, gauginos).
- 3) Use RGEs to extrapolate the inflaton mass to high scales.
- 4) Narrow down the allowed region in $m_\phi - \phi_0$ plane.
- 5) Use this to find λ, A .

(Information about the underlying physics giving rise to higher order term, SUSY breaking sector?)

Summary:

- MSSM can lead to inflation, provides the first example of LHC-inflation connection.
- MSSM inflation has three underlying parameters. CMB measurements alone cannot pinpoint them.
- Particle physics experiments are needed to determine the parameters.
- Dark matter plus muon $g - 2$ can significantly narrow down the allowed parameter space.
- Mass measurements at the LHC are important. Combined LHC/ILC and PLANCK data can lead to precise determination of the parameters.

