

Dynamical μ Term in Gauge Mediation

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The μ problem in SUSY theories

In SUSY extensions of the SM we must introduce two Higgs doublets with opposite hypercharge:

- To give mass to both up- and down-type quarks
- To allow for a higgsino mass term
- To cancel anomalies

Higgs/higgsino mass term in the superpotential

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \mu \int d^2\theta H_d H_u$$

There are also soft SUSY-breaking mass terms for the Higgses in the scalar potential

$$V_{\text{soft}} \supset m_{H_d}^2 |H_d|^2 + m_{H_u}^2 |H_u|^2 - B_\mu (H_d H_u + \text{h.c.})$$

In the MSSM, μ is the only superpotential term with the dimension of a mass

The μ problem: if μ is allowed in the SUSY limit, why is it not of $\mathcal{O}(M_P)$?

The *Giudice-Masiero* mechanism: μ is forbidden in the SUSY limit, and is generated in the low-energy theory by SUSY-breaking effects (1988)

Parametrize the SUSY-breaking sector with a chiral superfield X that acquires a vev

$$\langle X \rangle = M + \theta^2 F$$

The SUSY-breaking spurion couples to the Higgses in a non-minimal Kahler potential

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} &\supset \int d^4\theta H_d H_u \left(\frac{X^\dagger}{M} + \frac{X^\dagger X}{M^2} + \dots \right) \\ &\sim \frac{F}{M} \int d^2\theta H_d H_u + \left(\frac{F}{M} \right)^2 (H_d H_u + \text{h.c.}) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\mu \sim \frac{F}{M}$, $B_\mu \sim \left(\frac{F}{M} \right)^2 \longrightarrow \frac{B_\mu}{\mu} \sim \frac{F}{M}$

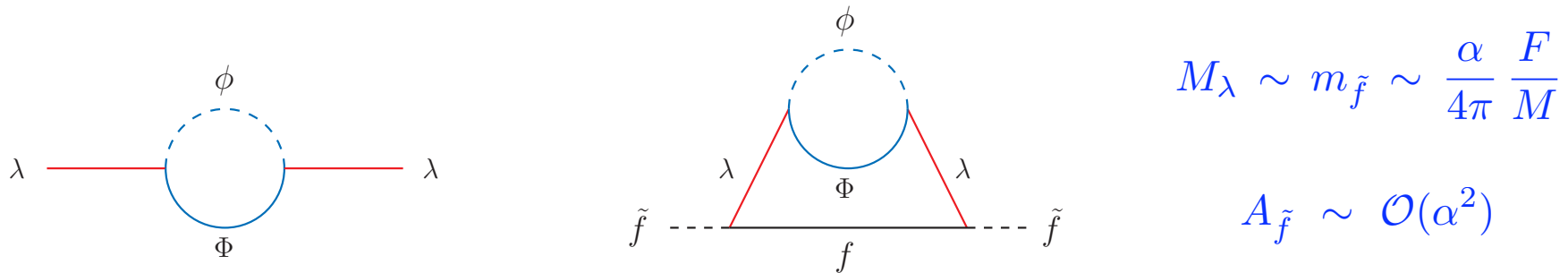
In gravity-mediated SUSY-breaking $\tilde{m} \sim \frac{F}{M_P} \sim \text{TeV}$ is the typical soft mass

When the soft terms are loop-induced (GMSB, AMSB) the GM mechanism has a problem

In gauge mediation the SUSY-breaking sector couples only to heavy messenger fields

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \kappa \int d^2\theta X \Phi \bar{\Phi}, \quad m_{\Phi}^2 = |\kappa M|^2, \quad m_{\phi}^2 = |\kappa M|^2 \pm |\kappa F|$$

The soft masses for the MSSM fields are generated at loop level by the gauge interactions



We also want $\mu \sim \tilde{m} \sim \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \frac{F}{M} \sim \text{TeV}$

But $\frac{B_{\mu}}{\mu} \sim \frac{F}{M} \longrightarrow B_{\mu} \sim (10 - 100 \text{ TeV})^2 \text{ !!!}$

Such a huge B_{μ} would require an unacceptable fine tuning in the Higgs sector

NMSSM alternative: *generate μ and B_μ at the weak scale through the vev of a light singlet*

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \lambda \int d^2\theta N H_d H_u \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mu = \lambda \langle N \rangle, \quad B_\mu = \lambda \langle F_N \rangle$$

Is it worth the pain? a light singlet requires the introduction of several new soft terms, and it can even pick up a tadpole from the SUSY-breaking sector, destabilizing the hierarchy

- Neither of these issues is too problematic in gauge mediation, where the soft terms are calculable and the SUSY-breaking scale is relatively low
- Also, the singlet-doublet interaction can give a positive contribution to the lightest Higgs boson mass and help lifting it above the LEP bound

Does NMSSM+GMSB result in an acceptable EWSB ?

The Higgs sector of the NMSSM

Superpotential and soft SUSY-breaking interactions for the Higgses and the singlet

$$W \supset \lambda N H_d H_u - \frac{k}{3} N^3$$

$$V_{\text{soft}} \supset \tilde{m}_{H_u}^2 |H_u|^2 + \tilde{m}_{H_d}^2 |H_d|^2 + \tilde{m}_N^2 |N|^2 + \left(\lambda A_\lambda N H_d H_u - \frac{k}{3} A_k N^3 + \text{h.c.} \right)$$

Define MSSM-like parameters: $v^2 \equiv \langle H_d \rangle^2 + \langle H_u \rangle^2$, $\tan \beta \equiv \frac{\langle H_u \rangle}{\langle H_d \rangle}$,

$$\mu \equiv \lambda \langle N \rangle, \quad B_\mu \equiv \lambda k \langle N \rangle^2 - \frac{\lambda^2 v^2}{2} \sin 2\beta - \lambda A_\lambda \langle N \rangle$$

In gauge mediation we have $|\tilde{m}_N|, A_\lambda, A_k \ll v$. Therefore, we get $\langle N \rangle \ll v$.

This results in a very light scalar+pseudoscalar pair, ruled out by LEP searches.

We need some mechanism to generate sizeable soft SUSY-breaking terms for the singlet

$$|\tilde{m}_N|, A_\lambda, A_k \sim \mathcal{O}(\tilde{m}) \longrightarrow \langle N \rangle \gg v$$

In the limit $\langle N \rangle \gg v$ the singlet and doublet sectors decouple from each other, and the tree-level masses for the *two* CP-odd (a_i) and *three* CP-even (h_i) neutral scalars are

$$m_{a_1}^2 = \frac{2B_\mu}{\sin 2\beta} + \mathcal{O}(v^2), \quad m_{a_2}^2 = \frac{3k^2}{w} \langle N \rangle^2 + \mathcal{O}(v^2),$$

$$m_{h_1}^2 = M_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta + \lambda^2 v^2 \left\{ \sin^2 2\beta - \frac{\left[\frac{\lambda}{k} + \left(\frac{A_\lambda}{2wA_k} - 1 \right) \sin 2\beta \right]^2}{1 - \frac{1}{4w}} \right\} + \mathcal{O}(v^4),$$

$$m_{h_2}^2 = m_{a_1}^2 + \mathcal{O}(v^2), \quad m_{h_3}^2 = \frac{4w-1}{3} m_{a_2}^2 + \mathcal{O}(v^2)$$

$$\text{where } w \equiv \left(1 + \sqrt{1 - 8 \frac{\tilde{m}_N^2}{A_k^2}} \right) > \frac{1}{3}$$

We must include radiative corrections. Defining the effective potential $V_{\text{eff}} = V_0 + \Delta V$ the mass matrices for CP-even and CP-odd parts of $\phi_i = (H_d, H_u, N)$ become

$$(\mathcal{M}_{S,P}^2)^{\text{eff}} = \sqrt{Z} [(\mathcal{M}_{S,P}^2)^0 + \Delta\mathcal{M}_{S,P}^2] \sqrt{Z}$$

$$(\Delta\mathcal{M}_S^2)_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \Delta V}{\partial \text{Re } \phi_i \partial \text{Re } \phi_j} \Big|_{\text{min}}, \quad (\Delta\mathcal{M}_P^2)_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \Delta V}{\partial \text{Im } \phi_i \partial \text{Im } \phi_j} \Big|_{\text{min}}$$

We keep the $\mathcal{O}(h_t^4)$ terms in $\Delta\mathcal{M}_{S,P}^2$ and the $\mathcal{O}(h_t^2)$ terms in Z . We also include some leading-logarithmic two-loop corrections controlled by the top Yukawa and strong couplings. For m_{h_1} we agree with the code NMHDECAY (*Ellwanger, Hugonie & Gunion*) within 5 GeV

In the limit of heavy singlet the dominant $\mathcal{O}(h_t^4)$ corrections to m_{h_1} are just as in the MSSM:

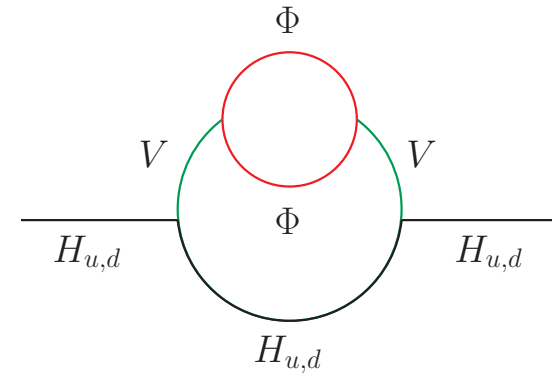
$$(\Delta m_{h_1}^2)^{1\text{-loop}} \simeq \frac{3 m_t^4}{4 \pi^2 v^2} \left(\ln \frac{M_S^2}{m_t^2} + \frac{X_t^2}{M_S^2} - \frac{X_t^4}{12 M_S^4} \right), \quad \left(X_t = A_t + \lambda \langle N \rangle \cot \beta \right)$$

In GMSB $A_t(M) \simeq 0$, and only a moderate weak-scale value is generated by RG evolution

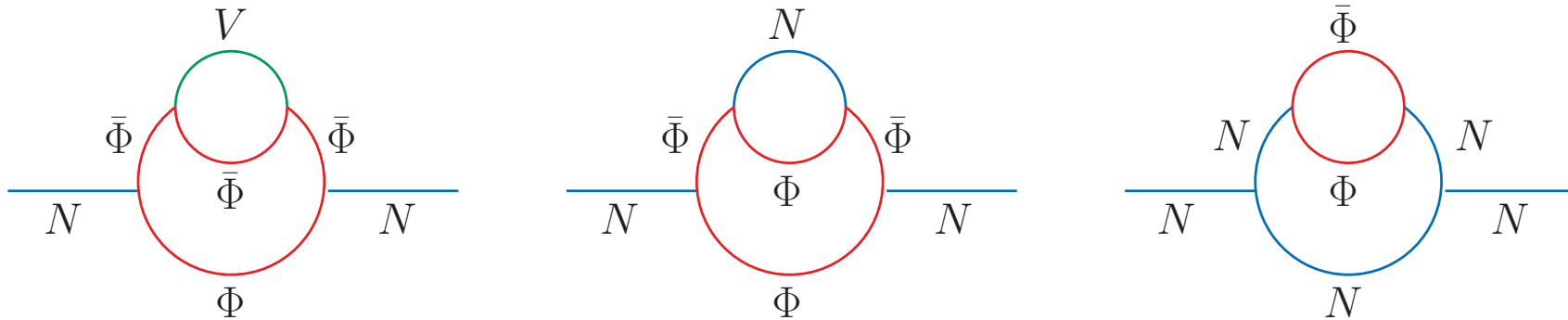
→ We will need a largish M_S (\sim TeV) to evade the LEP bounds on the Higgs mass

NMSSM+GMSB with singlet-messenger interactions: *N-GMSB*

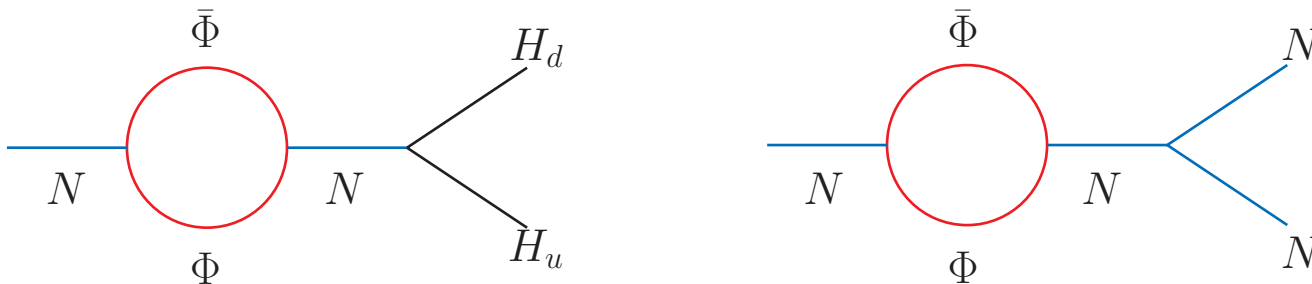
The soft masses for the Higgs doublets are mediated by the gauge interactions:



To generate a mass \tilde{m}_N^2 for the singlet we can couple it directly to the messengers



This will also generate trilinear interactions A_λ, A_k (but no mass term) at one loop



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We use analytical continuation in superspace to extract the soft SUSY-breaking terms at the messenger scale from the wave function renormalization of the observable fields
(we don't need to explicitly compute two-loop diagrams)

The gaugino and sfermion soft masses are the same as in the usual GMSB

$$M_i = n c_i \frac{\alpha_i}{4\pi} \frac{F}{M}, \quad m_{\tilde{f}}^2 = 2n \sum_i c_i C_i^{\tilde{f}} \frac{\alpha_i^2}{(4\pi)^2} \frac{F^2}{M^2}, \quad (n = 2)$$

The singlet-messenger interactions generate A-terms at 1-loop and scalar masses at 2-loop

$$A_\lambda = \frac{A_k}{3} = -\frac{1}{16\pi^2} (2\xi_D^2 + 3\xi_T^2) \frac{F}{M},$$

$$\tilde{m}_N^2 = \frac{1}{(16\pi^2)^2} \left[8\xi_D^4 + 15\xi_T^4 + 12\xi_D^2\xi_T^2 - 16g_s^2\xi_T^2 - 6g^2\xi_D^2 - 2g'^2 \left(\xi_D^2 + \frac{2}{3}\xi_T^2 \right) - 4k^2 (2\xi_D^2 + 3\xi_T^2) \right] \frac{F^2}{M^2}$$

$$\tilde{m}_{H_u}^2 = \tilde{m}_{H_d}^2 = \frac{1}{(16\pi^2)^2} \left[n \left(\frac{3g^4}{2} + \frac{5g'^4}{6} \right) - \lambda^2 (2\xi_D^2 + 3\xi_T^2) \right] \frac{F^2}{M^2}$$

Phenomenology of the N-GMSB

Three new parameters w.r.t. the usual GMSB: $\xi_U \equiv \xi_{D,T}(M_{\text{GUT}})$, λ , k (but no μ , B_μ)

The size of the soft SUSY-breaking parameters is determined by M and F . We choose them such as to maximize the radiative correction to the light Higgs mass

- Large F/M generates a sizeable stop mass scale $M_S \equiv \sqrt{m_{\tilde{t}_1} m_{\tilde{t}_2}}$
- Large M generates a sizeable $A_t(M_S)$ through RG evolution

Take $M = 10^{13}$ GeV and $F/M = 1.72 \times 10^5$ GeV (such that $M_S \approx 2$ TeV, $A_t \approx -1.4$ TeV)

Conditions on the parameters are imposed at different scales (M_t , M_S , M , M_{GUT})

We solve the RGE of a tower of effective theories and get all the parameters at M_S

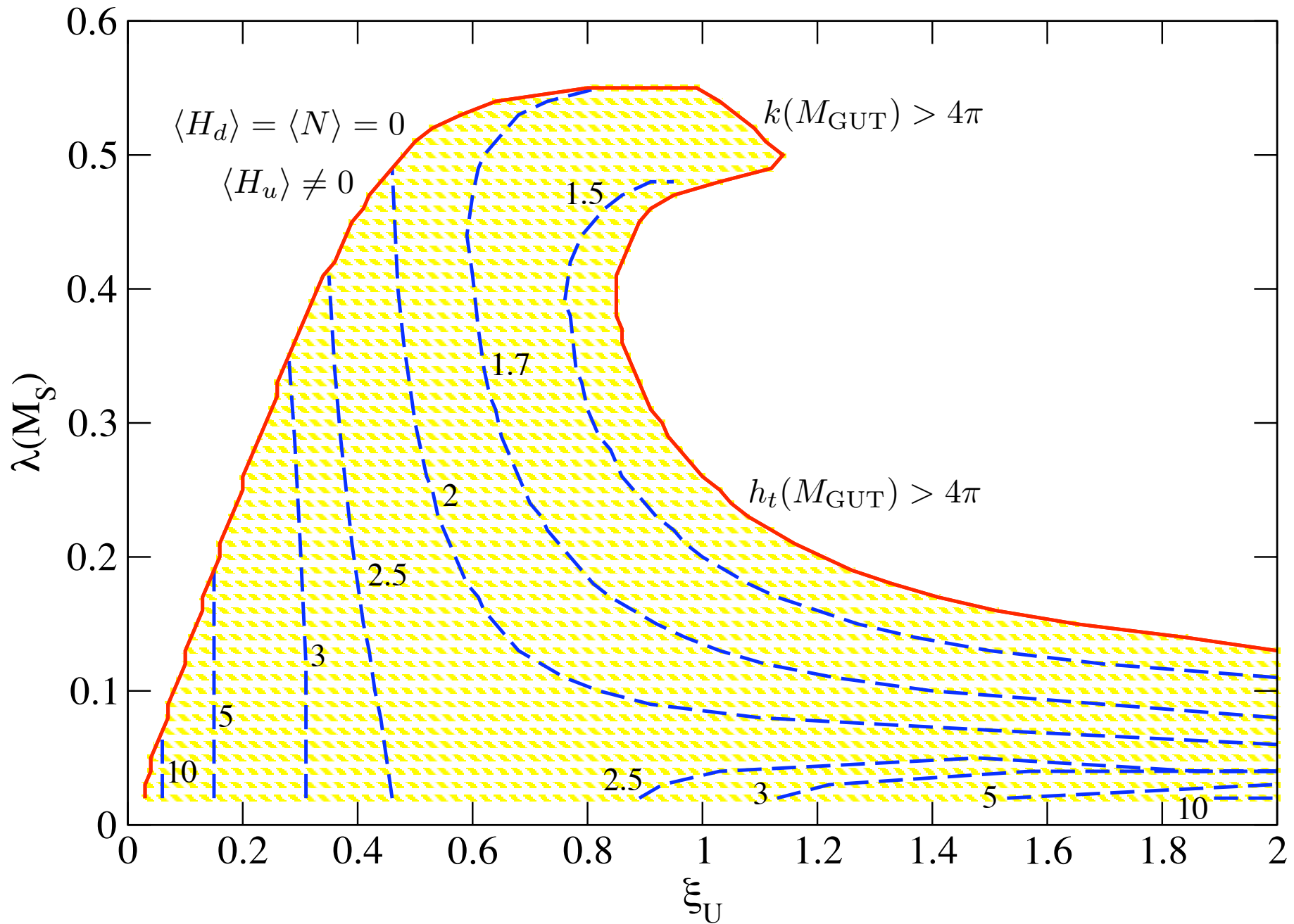
The EWSB conditions imposed at the scale M_S determine $\langle H_d \rangle$, $\langle H_u \rangle$ and $\langle N \rangle$.

Fixing $v^2 = \langle H_d \rangle^2 + \langle H_u \rangle^2$ as input, we can use them to determine $\tan \beta$, $\langle N \rangle$ and k

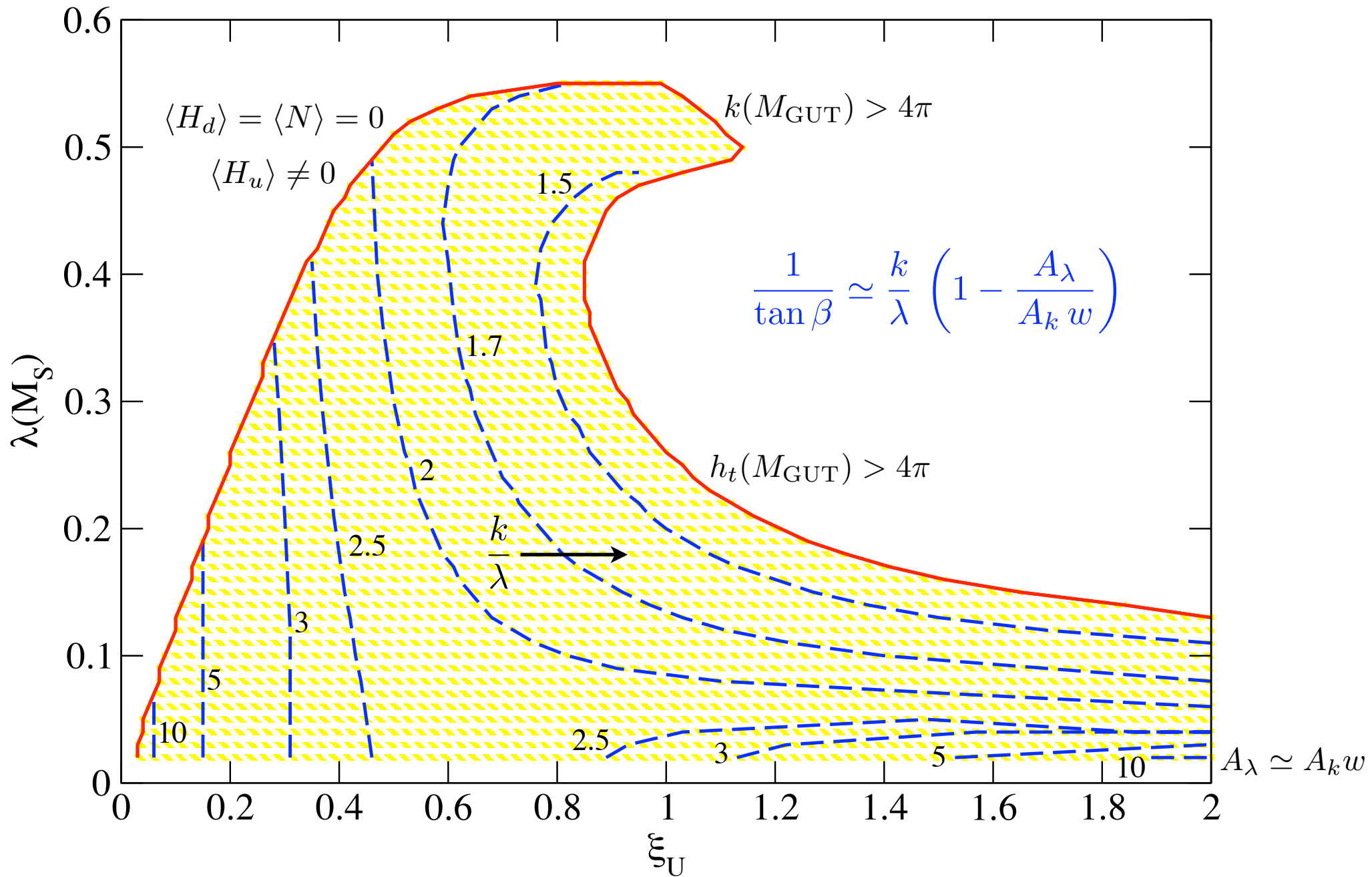


Two free parameters to play with: ξ_U and $\lambda(M_S)$

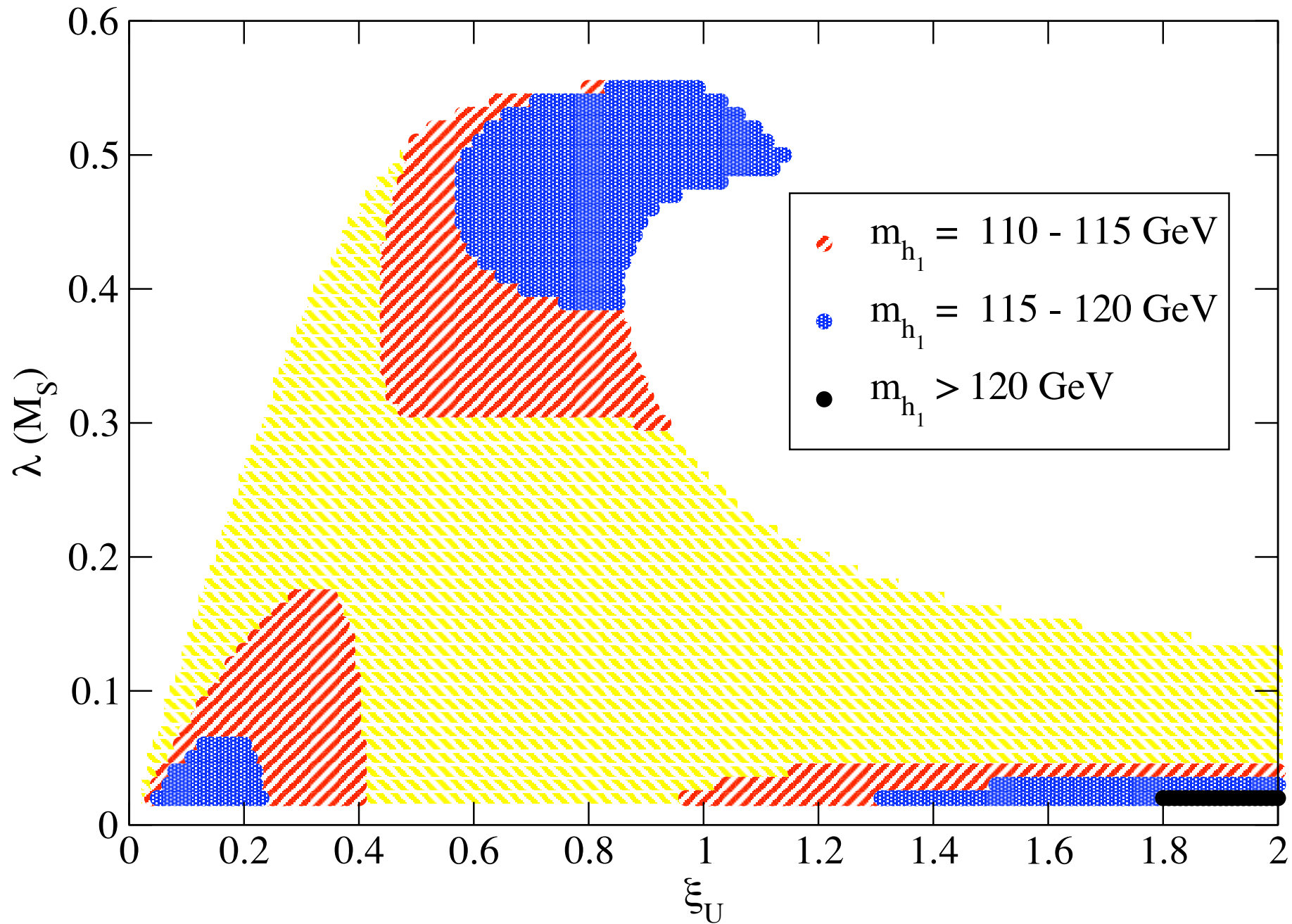
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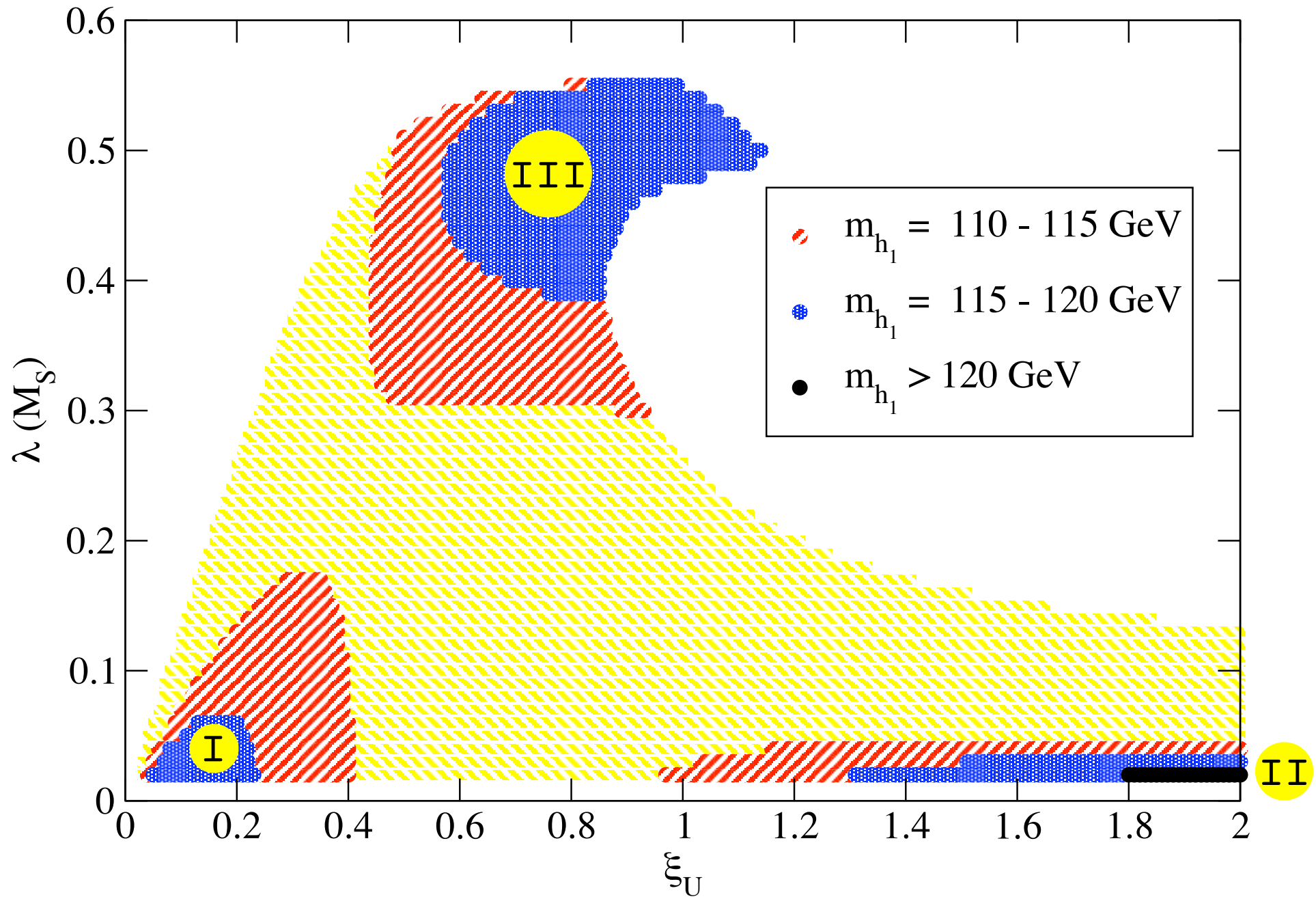
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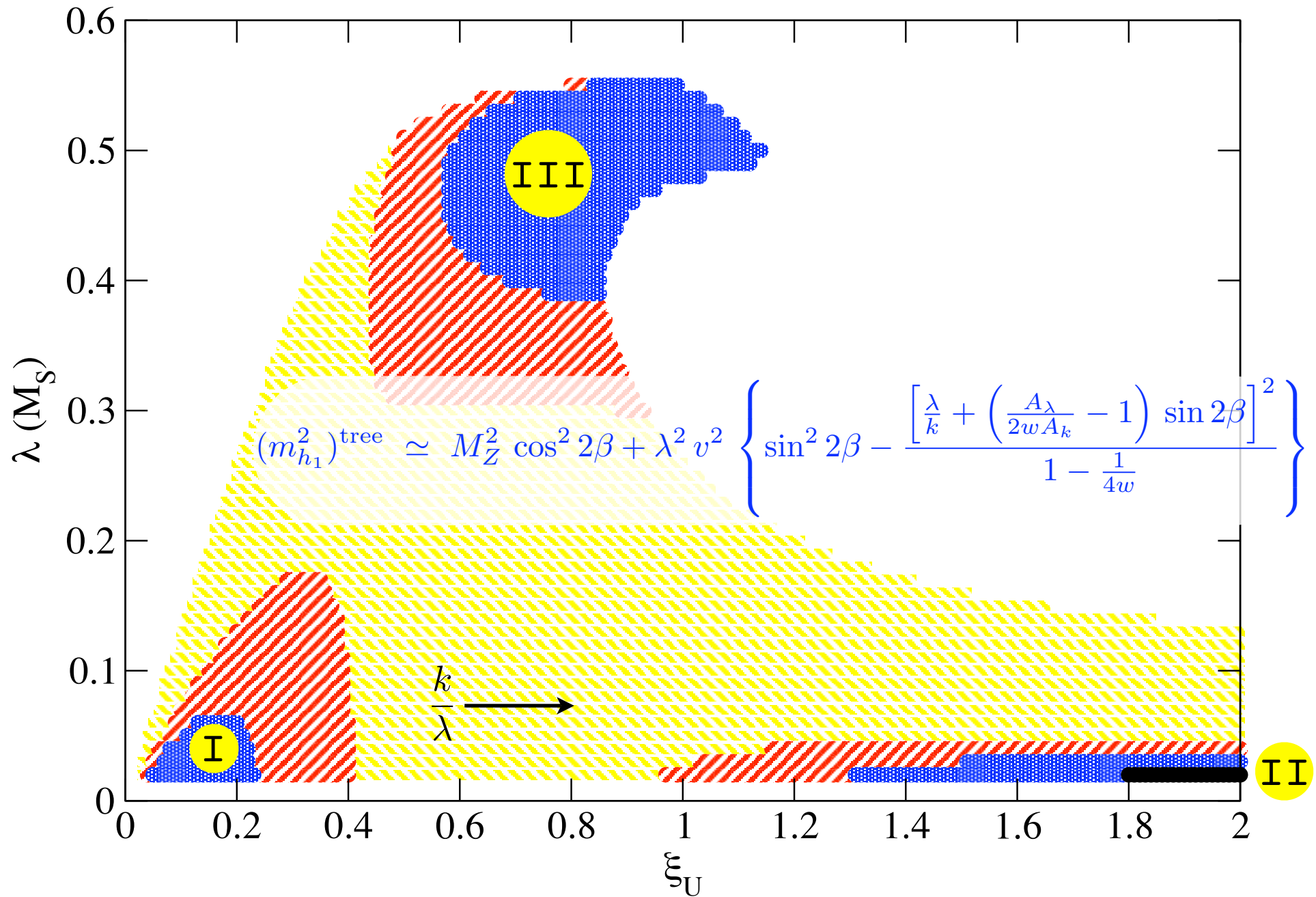
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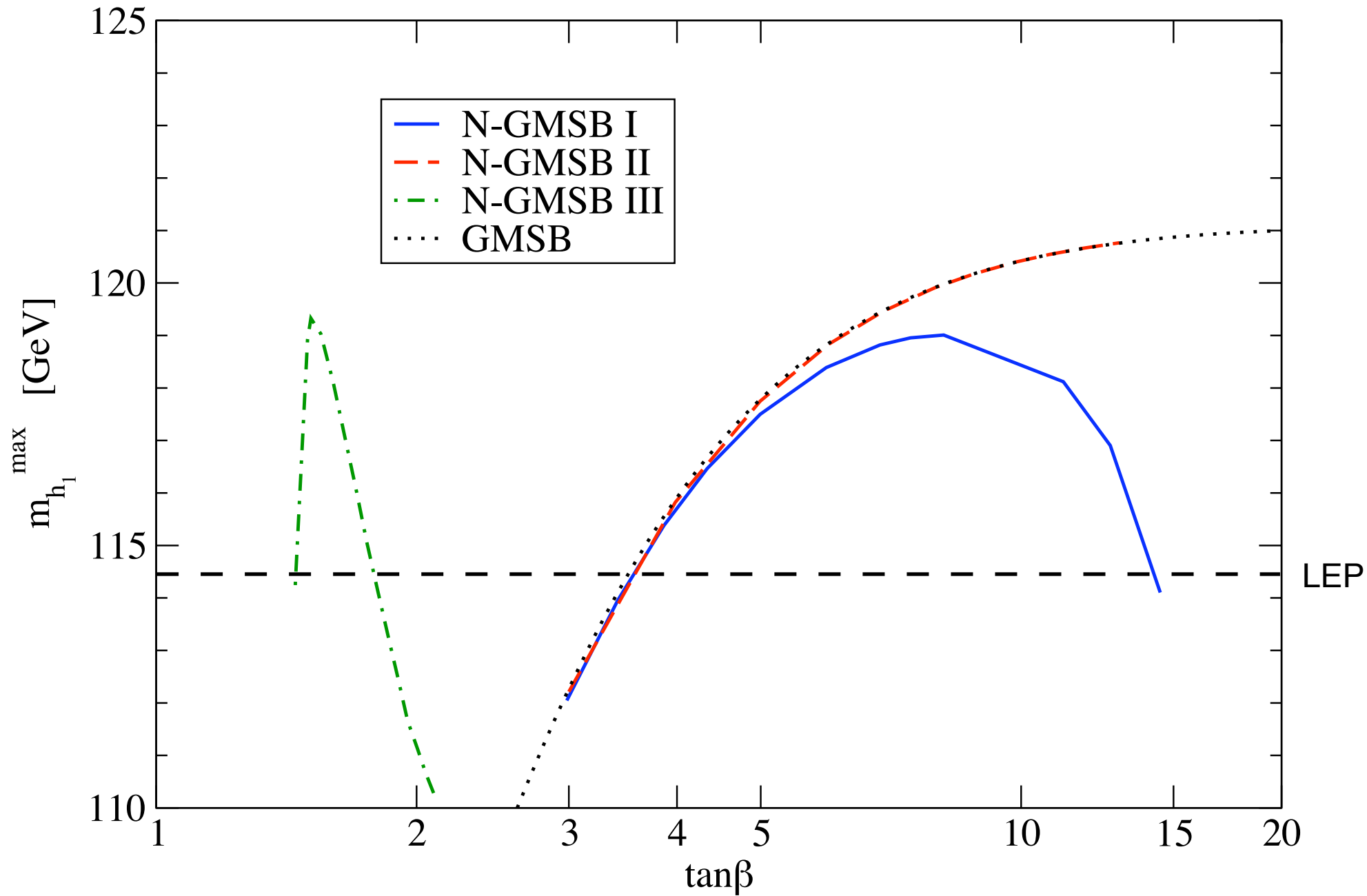
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$(m_{h_1})^{\max}$ vs $\tan\beta$ in the three regions



The other NMSSM
particle masses:

$$m_{a_1}, m_{h_2} \sim \mu, \quad m_{a_2}, m_{h_3}, M_{\tilde{N}} \sim \frac{k}{\lambda} \mu$$

- **Region I** $\mu \lesssim M_S, \quad \lambda \ll 1, \quad \frac{k}{\lambda} \ll 1$
 - The singlet-like scalars and the singlino are much lighter than the MSSM-like particles
 - The singlino can be the NLSP. Peculiar decay chain $\tilde{B} \longrightarrow \tilde{N} h_1 \longrightarrow \tilde{G} a_2 h_1$
- **Region II** $\mu \gtrsim M_S, \quad \lambda \ll 1, \quad \frac{k}{\lambda} \gg 1$
 - The singlet-like scalars and the singlino are much heavier and essentially decoupled
 - This region corresponds to the *MSSM limit* of the NMSSM
- **Region III** $\mu \gtrsim M_S, \quad \lambda \sim 0.5, \quad \frac{k}{\lambda} \sim 1$
 - All the scalars except h_1 , as well as the singlino, are quite heavy
 - m_{h_1} can be pushed to ~ 160 GeV if we give up perturbativity up to the GUT scale

Summary

- The B_μ problem of gauge mediation can be solved by adding a new singlet
- For an acceptable EWSB we must introduce singlet-messenger interactions that generate sizeable soft SUSY-breaking terms for the singlet
- As usual in GMSB, satisfying the LEP bound on the Higgs mass requires large values of the stop masses, and the model is somewhat fine-tuned
- Still, there are three distinct regions of the parameter space with acceptable Higgs mass spectrum and potentially interesting collider signatures

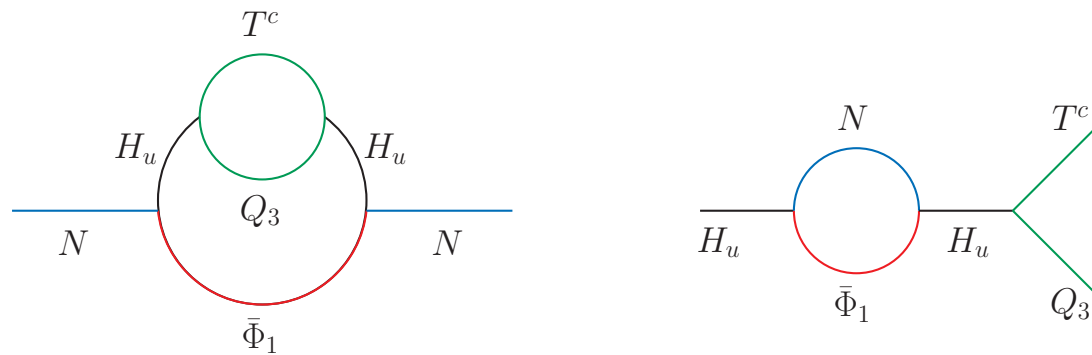
Spare Parts

Variations & Alternatives

- “Yukawa Deflected Gauge Mediation” (Chacko, Katz, Perazzi & Ponton 2002)

$$W \supset \lambda N H_d H_u - \frac{k}{3} N^3 + \xi N \bar{\Phi}_1^D H_u + h_t H_u Q_3 T^c$$

Additional messenger-Yukawa contributions to the soft mass parameters:



- Add extra vector-like quarks (Dine & Nelson 1993, Agashe & Graesser 1997, de Gouvea, Friedland & Murayama 1997)

$$W \supset \lambda N H_d H_u - \frac{k}{3} N^3 + \xi N Q \bar{Q}$$

The soft squark masses give a large and negative contribution to the running of \tilde{m}_N^2

New matter (squarks & quarks) at the TeV scale. Watch out for contributions to electroweak precision observables and FCNCs

Interlude: a smart way to extract the soft terms at the messenger scale from the wave function renormalization of the observable fields (Giudice & Rattazzi 1997)

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \int d^4\theta Z_Q(X, X^\dagger) Q^\dagger Q + \left(\int d^2\theta W(Q) + \text{h.c.} \right)$$

Expand the w.f.r. of the matter superfields around the origin in superspace

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \int d^4\theta \left(Z_Q + \frac{\partial Z_Q}{\partial X} F \theta^2 + \frac{\partial Z_Q}{\partial X^\dagger} F^\dagger \bar{\theta}^2 + \frac{\partial^2 Z_Q}{\partial X \partial X^\dagger} F F^\dagger \theta^2 \bar{\theta}^2 \right) \Big|_{X=M} Q^\dagger Q$$

Redefine the superfields so that they are canonically normalized:

$$Q' \equiv Z_Q^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(1 + \frac{\partial \ln Z_Q}{\partial X} F \theta^2 \right) \Big|_{X=M} Q$$

This kills the terms linear in F and leaves a soft (mass)² for the scalar component:

$$\tilde{m}_Q^2 = - \frac{\partial^2 \ln Z_Q}{\partial \ln X \partial \ln X^\dagger} \Big|_{X=M} \frac{F F^\dagger}{M M^\dagger}$$

The redefinition of the superfields in W also induces A-terms in the scalar potential

$$V = \sum_i A_i Q_i \frac{\partial W}{\partial Q_i} + \text{h.c.}, \quad A_i = \frac{\partial \ln Z_{Q_i}}{\partial \ln X} \Big|_{X=M} \frac{F}{M}$$

The question is: how does the w.f.r. $Z_Q(X, X^\dagger)$ depend on X and X^\dagger ???

The Lagrangian is invariant under the symmetry $X \rightarrow e^{i\varphi} X$, $\bar{\Phi}\Phi \rightarrow e^{-i\varphi} \bar{\Phi}\Phi$

→ Z_Q can only depend on the combination $X^\dagger X$

Analytical continuation in superspace: determine how Z_Q depends on the messenger mass M , then replace $M \rightarrow \sqrt{X^\dagger X}$

$$\left. \frac{\partial \ln Z_Q(X, X^\dagger)}{\partial \ln X} \right|_{X=M} = \frac{\partial \ln Z_Q(M)}{2 \partial \ln M}, \quad \left. \frac{\partial^2 \ln Z_Q(X, X^\dagger)}{\partial \ln X \partial \ln X^\dagger} \right|_{X=M} = \frac{\partial^2 \ln Z_Q(M)}{4 \partial (\ln M)^2}$$

M enters Z_Q as the scale at which the messengers are integrated out of the theory, inducing discontinuities in the anomalous dimensions of the matter superfields

$$\ln \frac{Z_Q(\mu)}{Z_Q(\Lambda)} = \int_{\ln \Lambda}^{\ln M} dt \gamma_Q^{(+)} + \int_{\ln M}^{\ln \mu} dt \gamma_Q^{(-)}, \quad \gamma_Q^{(\pm)} \equiv \left. \frac{d \ln Z_Q}{d \ln \mu} \right|_{\substack{\mu > M \\ \mu < M}}$$

$$\ln Z_Q(\mu) \approx \text{const.} + \Delta\gamma_Q \ln M + \mathcal{O}(> 1 \text{ loop}), \quad \Delta\gamma_Q = \gamma_Q^{(+)} - \gamma_Q^{(-)}$$

A-terms generated at 1-loop:

$$A_i(M) = \frac{\Delta\gamma_{Q_i}}{2} \frac{F}{M}$$

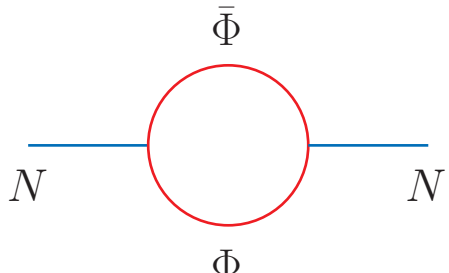
(mass)² terms generated at 2-loop:

$$\tilde{m}_Q^2(M) = -\frac{1}{4} \sum_i \left[\beta_{\lambda_i}^{(+)} \frac{\partial(\Delta\gamma_Q)}{\partial\lambda_i^2} - \Delta\beta_{\lambda_i} \frac{\partial\gamma_Q^{(-)}}{\partial\lambda_i^2} \right]_{\mu=M} \frac{F^2}{M^2}$$

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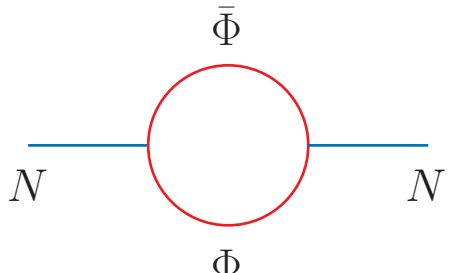
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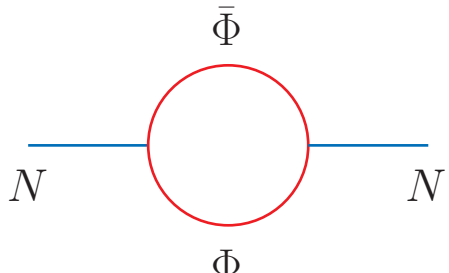
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boundary condition on ξ_U

NMSSM + messengers

$$\mu = M$$

compute the soft SUSY-breaking parameters

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$$\mu = M_S$$

EWSB conditions ($\tan \beta$, $\langle N \rangle$, k)
and Higgs mass spectrum

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boundary conditions on gauge and Yukawa cpls.

g_i , h_{q_i} from m_Z , G_F , α_S , m_{q_i}

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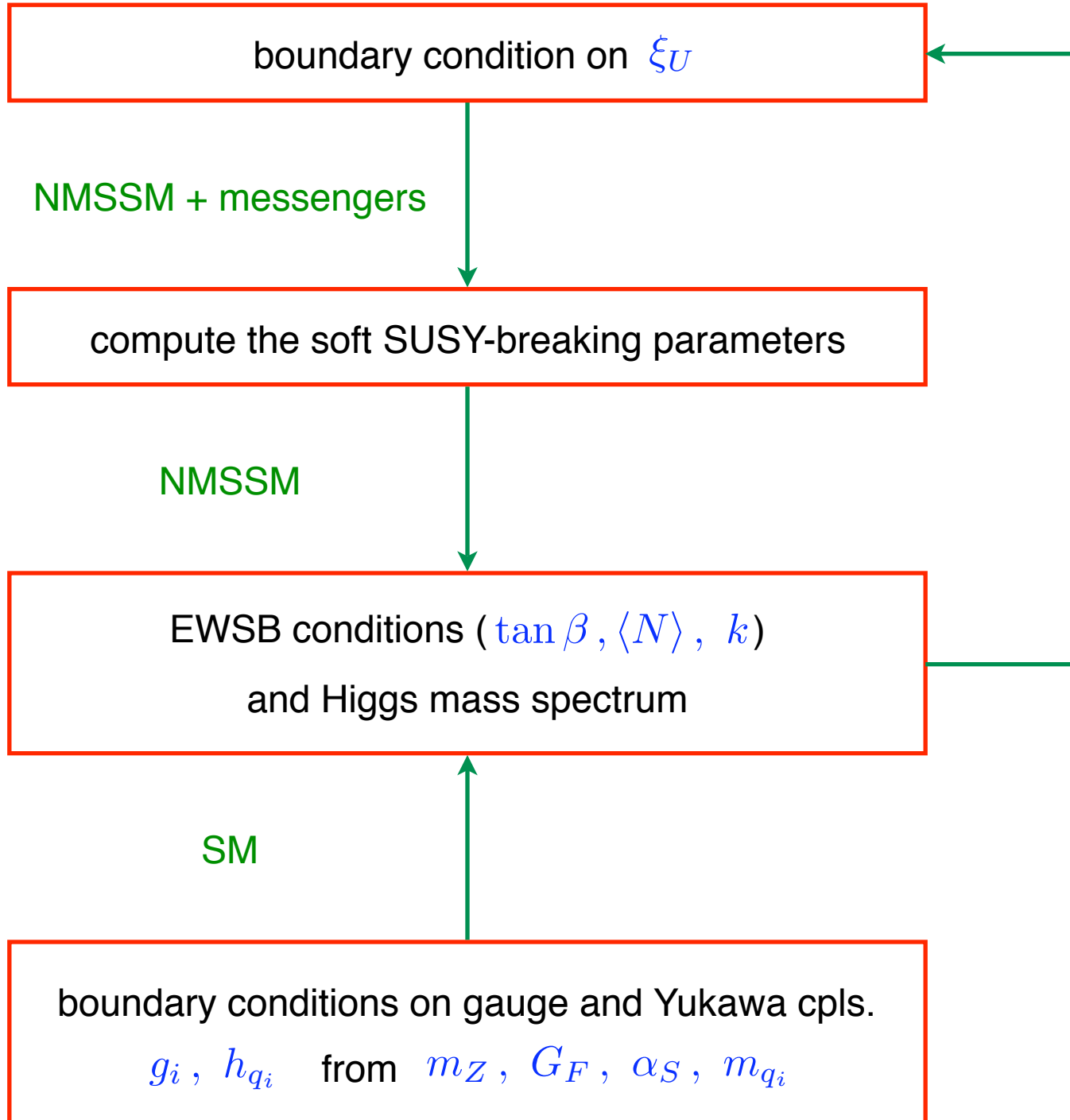
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g_i, h_{q_i} from $m_Z, G_F, \alpha_S, m_{q_i}$



Representative mass spectra

- **Region I** $\xi_U = 0.06$, $\lambda(M_S) = 0.02$

$$M_S \approx 2 \text{ TeV}, \quad \mu \approx -1.4 \text{ TeV}, \quad A_t \approx -1.5 \text{ TeV}, \quad \frac{k}{\lambda} \approx \frac{1}{7}, \quad \tan \beta \approx 11$$
$$M_1 \approx 480 \text{ GeV}, \quad M_2 \approx 880 \text{ GeV}, \quad M_3 \approx 2.3 \text{ TeV}, \quad M_{\tilde{N}} \approx 400 \text{ GeV},$$
$$m_{h_1} = 118 \text{ GeV}, \quad m_{h_2} \approx m_{a_1} \approx 1.8 \text{ TeV}, \quad m_{h_3} \approx 380 \text{ GeV}, \quad m_{a_2} \approx 210 \text{ GeV}$$

- **Region II** $\xi_U = 2$, $\lambda(M_S) = 0.02$

$$M_S \approx 2 \text{ TeV}, \quad \mu \approx -1.4 \text{ TeV}, \quad A_t \approx -1.5 \text{ TeV}, \quad \frac{k}{\lambda} \approx 5, \quad \tan \beta \approx 13$$
$$M_1 \approx 480 \text{ GeV}, \quad M_2 \approx 880 \text{ GeV}, \quad M_3 \approx 2.3 \text{ TeV}, \quad M_{\tilde{N}} \approx 14 \text{ TeV},$$
$$m_{h_1} = 121 \text{ GeV}, \quad m_{h_2} \approx m_{a_1} \approx 1.7 \text{ TeV}, \quad m_{h_3} \approx 7 \text{ TeV}, \quad m_{a_2} \approx 21 \text{ TeV}$$

- **Region III** $\xi_U = 1$, $\lambda(M_S) = 0.5$

$$M_S \approx 2 \text{ TeV}, \quad \mu \approx -2.6 \text{ TeV}, \quad A_t \approx -1.2 \text{ TeV}, \quad \frac{k}{\lambda} \approx 0.8, \quad \tan \beta \approx 1.5$$
$$M_1 \approx 480 \text{ GeV}, \quad M_2 \approx 880 \text{ GeV}, \quad M_3 \approx 2.3 \text{ TeV}, \quad M_{\tilde{N}} \approx 4.3 \text{ TeV},$$
$$m_{h_1} = 119 \text{ GeV}, \quad m_{h_2} \approx m_{a_1} \approx 3 \text{ TeV}, \quad m_{h_3} \approx 3.6 \text{ TeV}, \quad m_{a_2} \approx 4 \text{ TeV}$$