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“How to solve the debate about calling it  
Higgs, BEH, SM scalar... Simply call it slepton!”

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The recently discovered scalar particle  $\leadsto$   $H$   
and the neutrino  $\nu$  have the  
same gauge quantum numbers:

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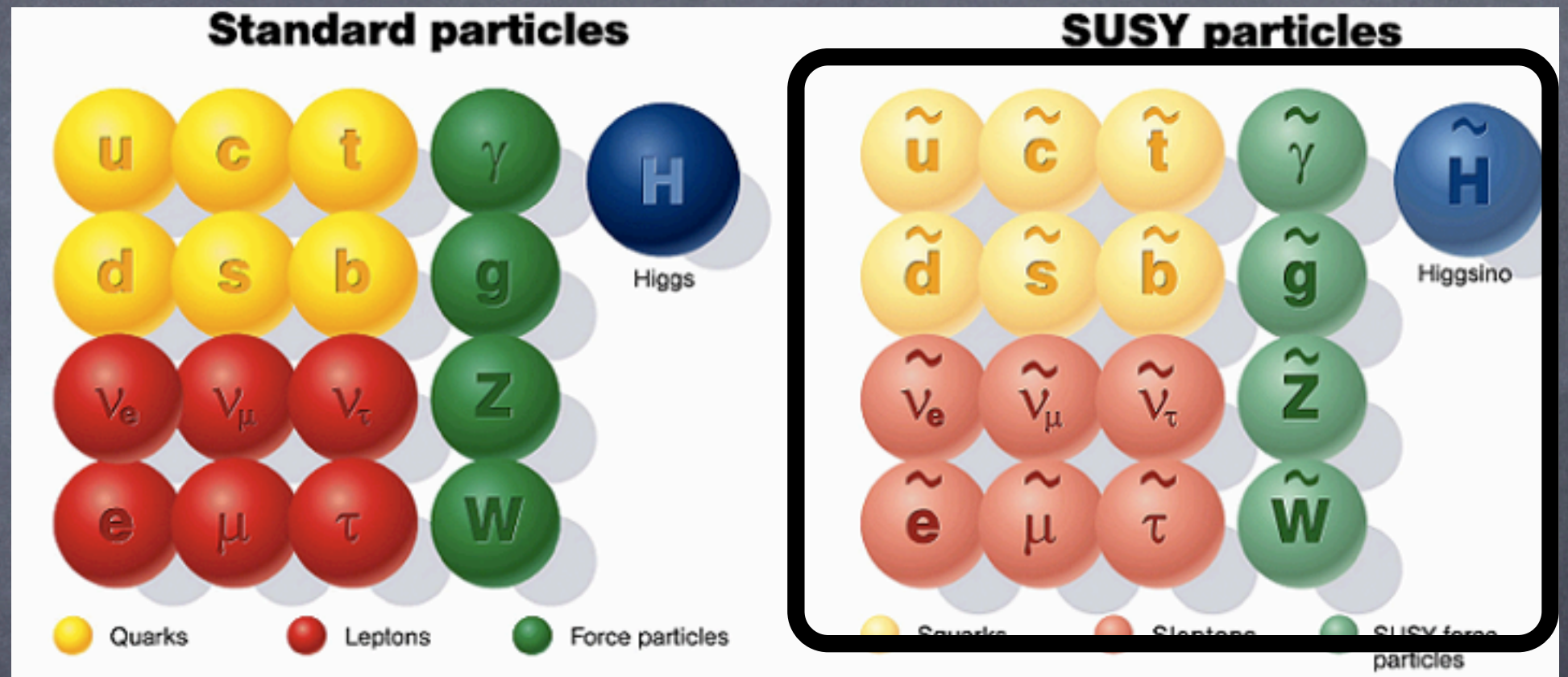
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can they be one the superpartner of the other?



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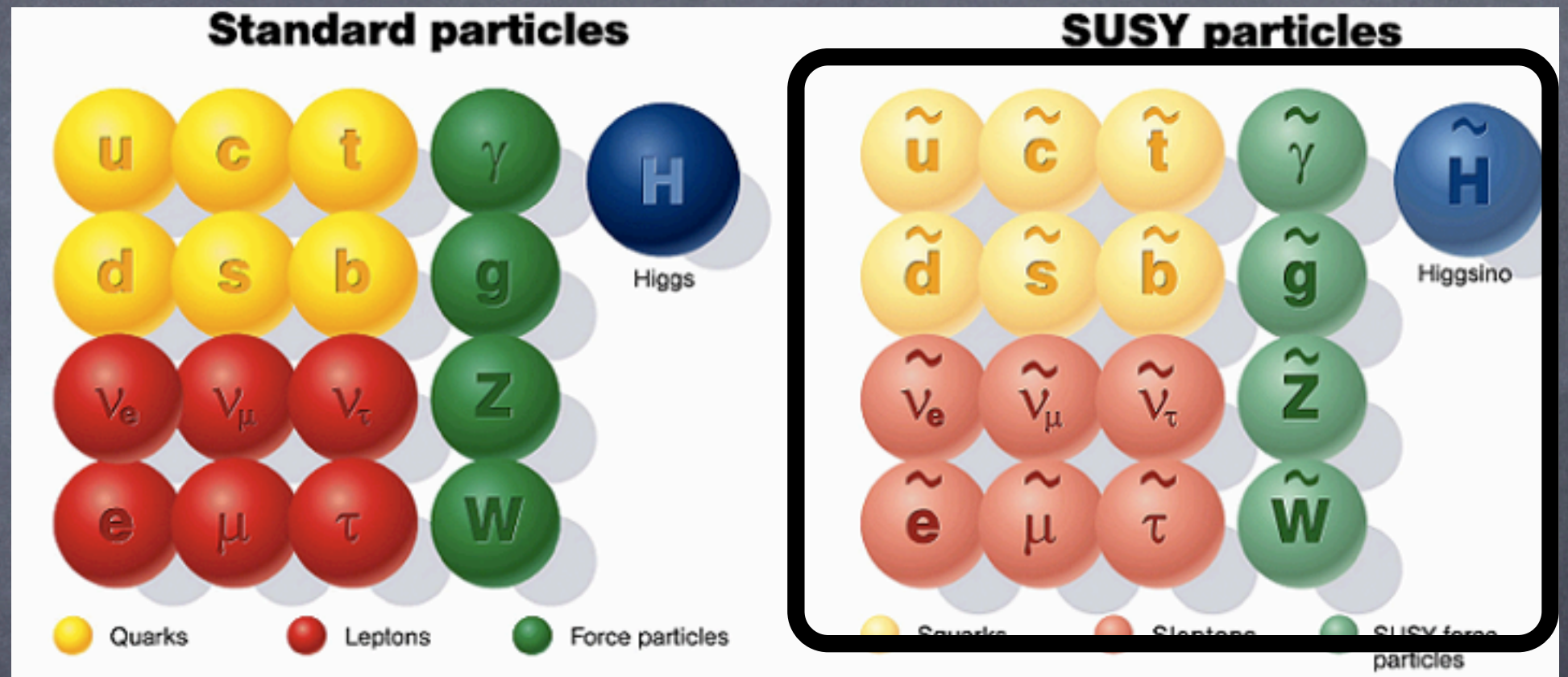
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drawings by F. Riva



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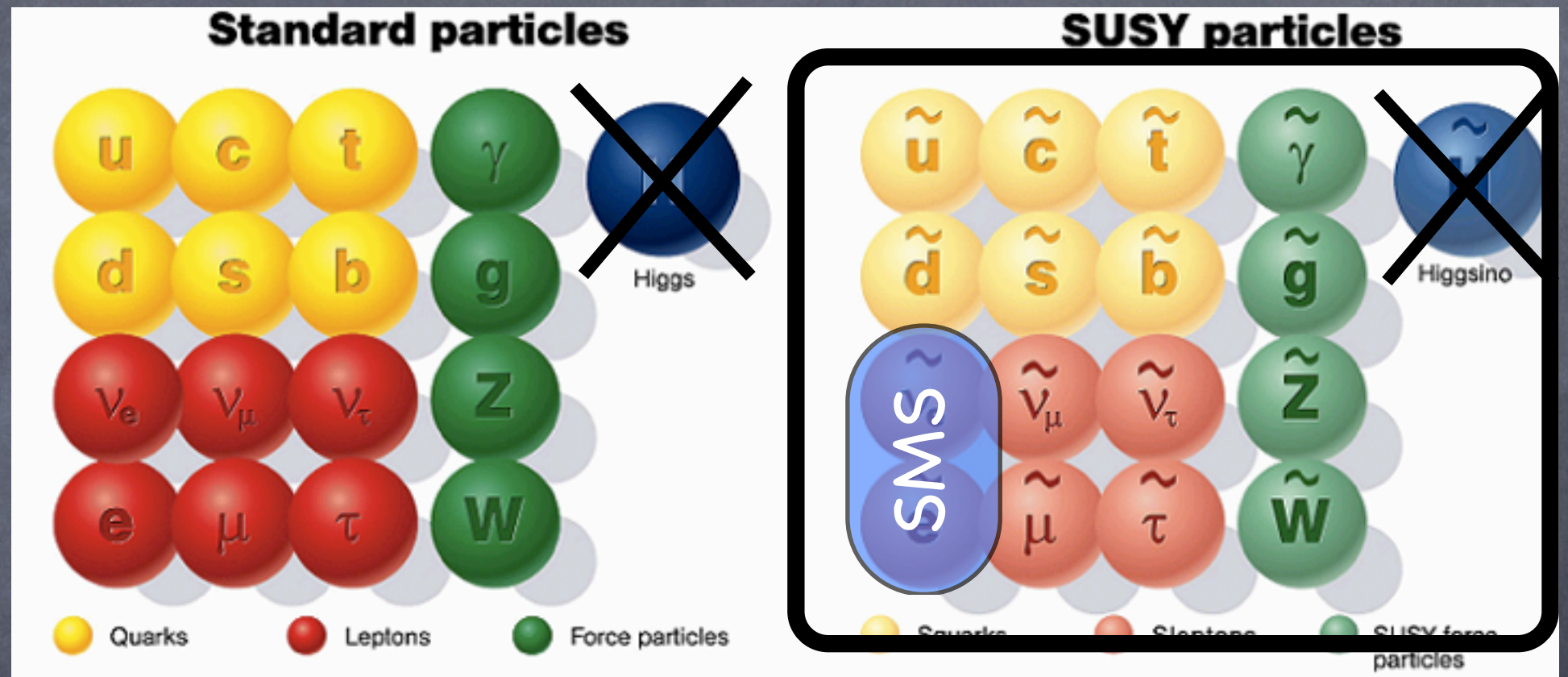
Interesting pheno consequences:

stable LSP  $\leadsto$  a lot of MET @ LHC



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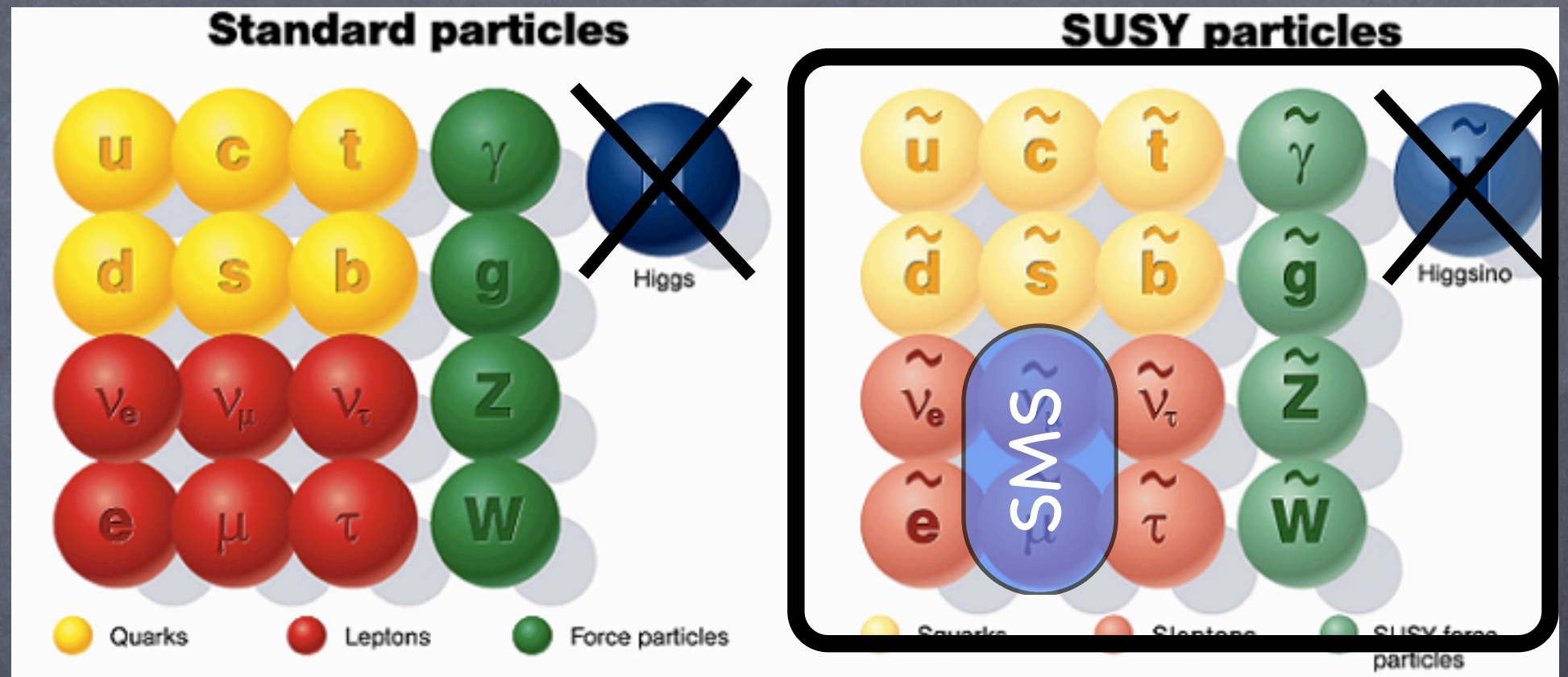
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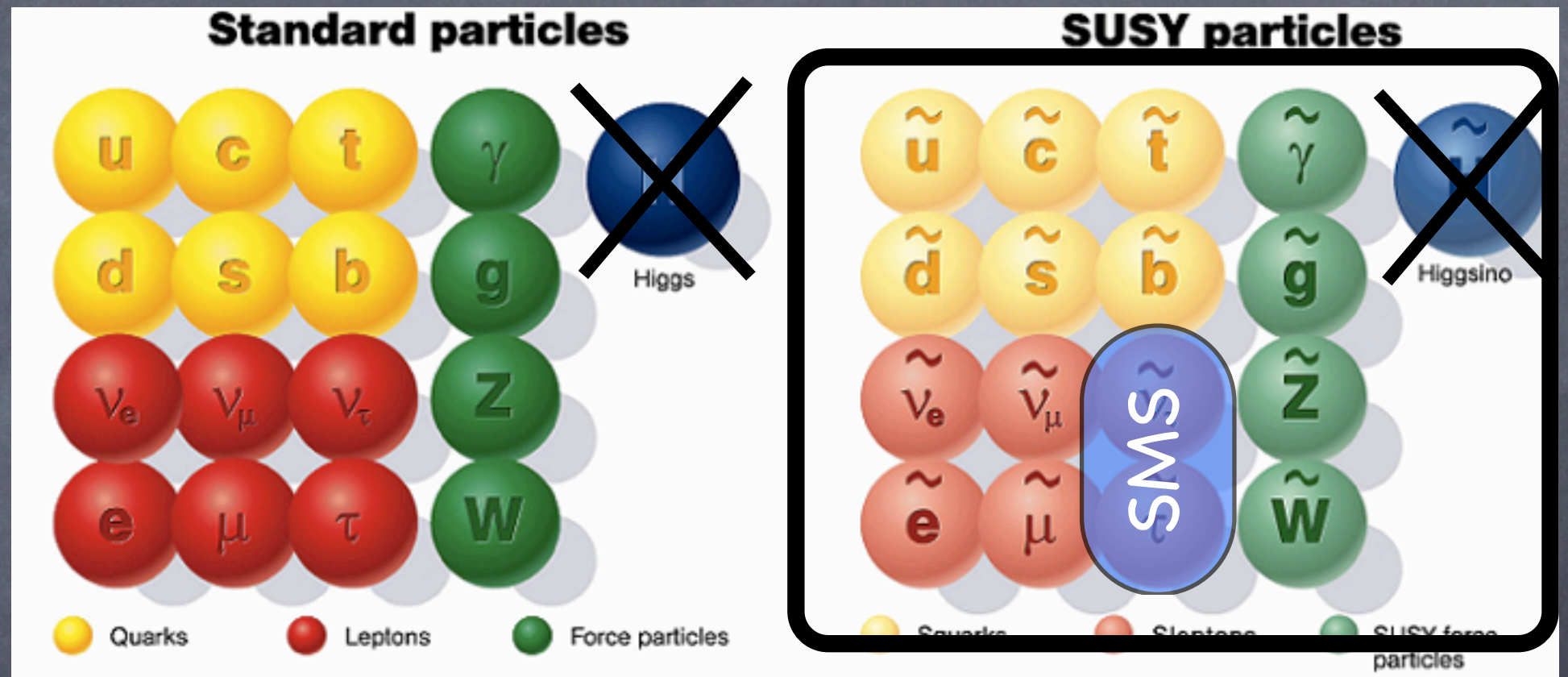
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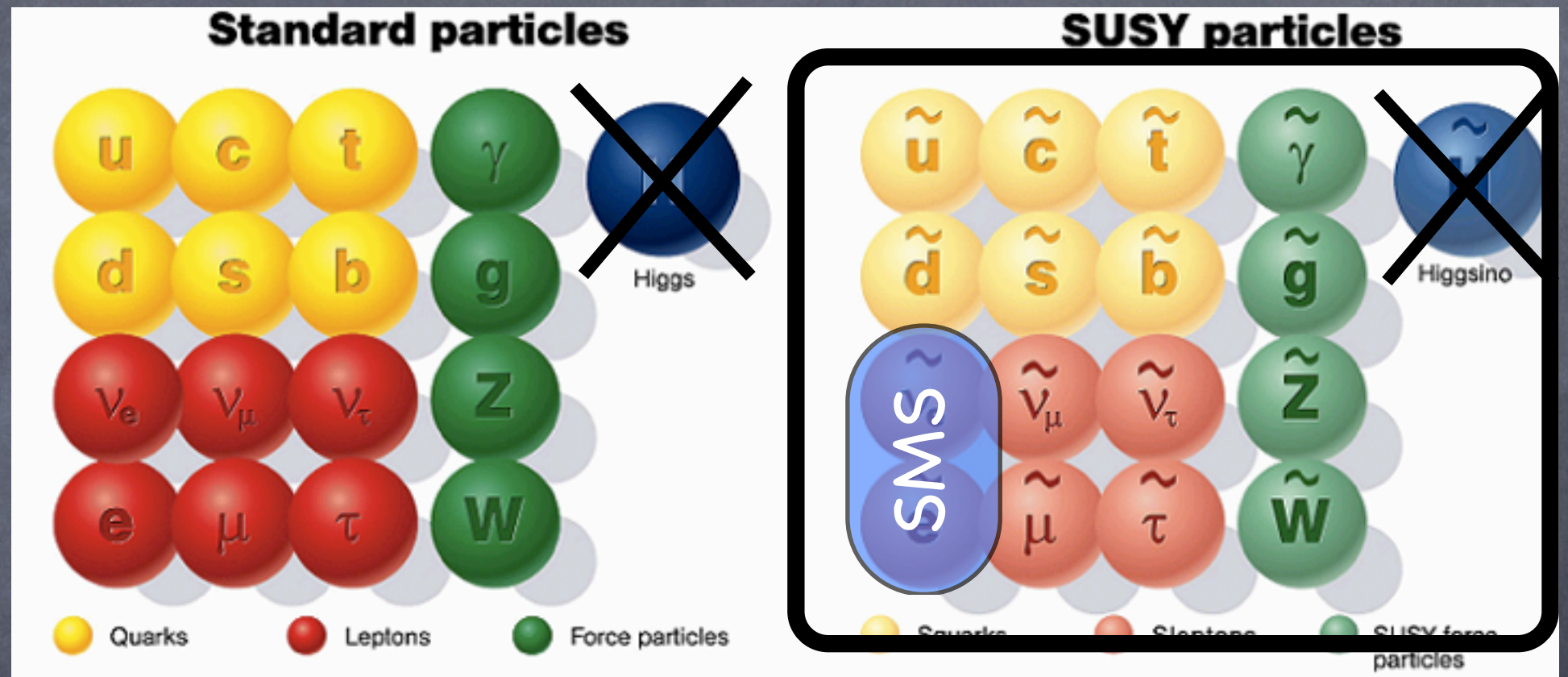
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The scalar vev breaks R-parity and L-number

- p-decay
- large neutrino masses

9 a new kind of R-parity needed



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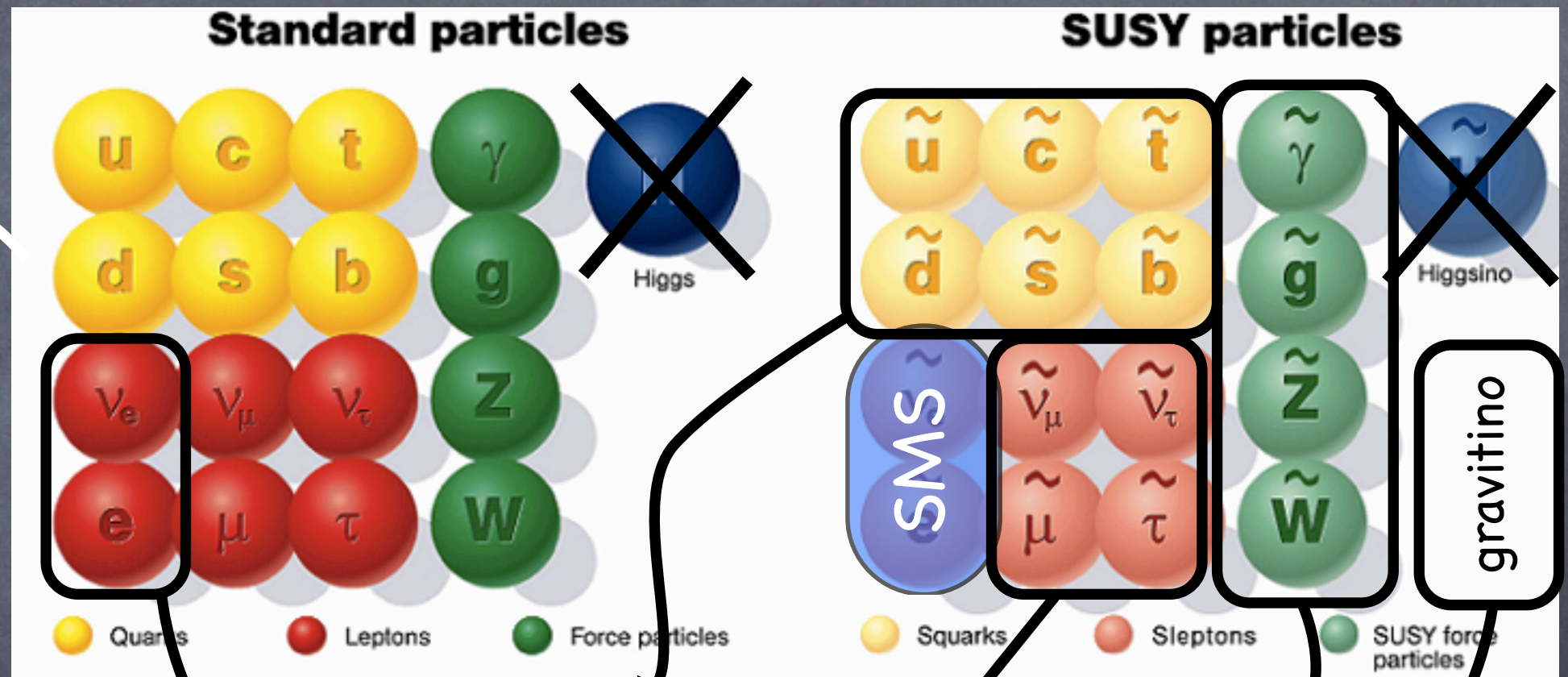
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## 1. $U(1)_R$ symmetry as Lepton symmetry

Example:

$R\text{-charge} = 0$



$R\text{-charge} = 1$

- ✓ The scalar vev does not break  $U(1)_L$
- ✓ Gauginos must have Dirac masses
- ✓  $U(1)_R$  will be broken by gravitino mass



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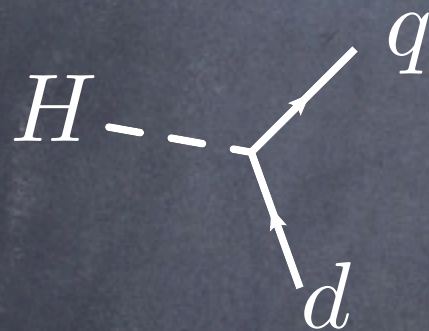
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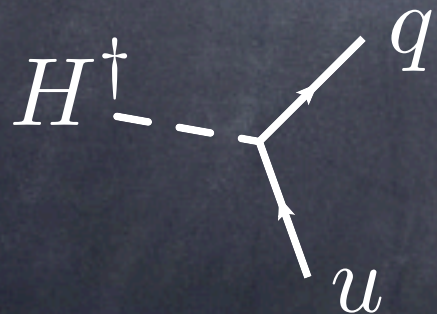
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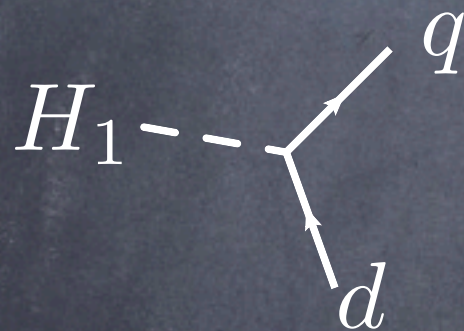
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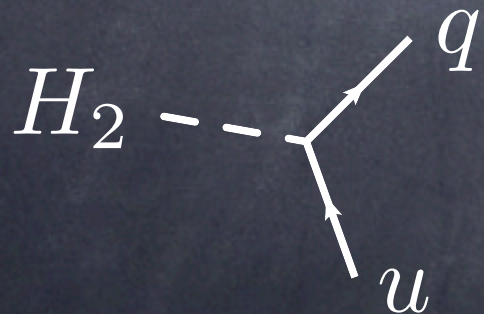
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Two scalar doublets: – MSSM

–  $H_u + L = H_d$

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2. top Yukawa coupling: from ~~SUSY~~ sector  
 $\leadsto$  from the Kähler potential

Not a surprise:  $m_H \approx 125 \text{ GeV}$  requires ~~SUSY~~ :

$$(125 \text{ GeV})^2 = m_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta + \delta m^2$$

SUSY:  $< (91 \text{ GeV})^2$

$\swarrow$

~~SUSY~~:  $\gtrsim (86 \text{ GeV})^2$

(In the MSSM  
large A-terms or  
heavy stops)



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Moreover: No R-parity  $\Rightarrow$  no large MET in final states at the LHC  
new final states at the LHC



# The Higgsinoless MSSM

	$SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$	$U(1)_R$
$Q$	$(3, 2)_{\frac{1}{6}}$	$1 + B$
$U$	$(\bar{3}, 1)_{-\frac{2}{3}}$	$1 - B$
$D$	$(\bar{3}, 1)_{\frac{1}{3}}$	$1 - B$
$L_{1,2}$	$(1, 2)_{-\frac{1}{2}}$	$1 - L$
$E_{1,2}$	$(1, 1)_1$	$1 + L$
$H \equiv L_3$	$(1, 2)_{-\frac{1}{2}}$	0
$E_3$	$(1, 1)_1$	2
$W_a^\alpha$	$(8, 1)_0 + (1, 3)_0 + (1, 1)_0$	1
$\Phi_a$	$(8, 1)_0 + (1, 3)_0 + (1, 1)_0$	0
$X \equiv \theta^2 F$	$(1, 1)_0$	2

$B \neq 0$  q have  $U(1)_R$  charge  
safe from p-decay  
(if  $B \neq L$  and  $B \neq 1/3$ )

$L \neq 0$  all  $\nu$  have  $U(1)_R$  charge  
 $\nu$  masses protected

$L \neq 1$  no LLE and LQD in W:  
strongly constrained

$U(1)_R \Rightarrow$  Dirac gaugino masses

Spurion ~~SUSY~~;  $q_R$  fixed in order not to break  $U(1)_R$



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$$Y_u \sim 1 \Rightarrow \Lambda \sim y_u \frac{F}{M}$$

$$m_{\tilde{q}} \sim \frac{F}{M} \lesssim \text{TeV} \Rightarrow \Lambda \lesssim 4\pi \text{TeV}$$

Low scale ~~SUSY~~



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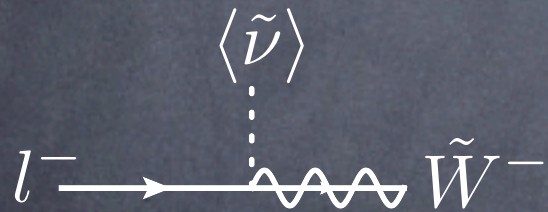
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4. ~~SUSY~~ quartic coupl. :

$$\int d^4\theta \lambda_H \frac{X^\dagger X}{M^2} \frac{|H|^4}{\Lambda^2} = \delta\lambda_h h^4 + \dots$$

$U(1)_R$  forbids A-terms; low stop masses

⇒ additional quartic required to get  $m_H \approx 125 \text{ GeV}$

$$\delta\lambda_h \sim 0.015$$



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– if other SUSY sources are present gravitinos can be heavy:

$\Rightarrow$  2 scenarios:    – gravitino L(R-charged)P  
                              – neutrino L(R-charged)P



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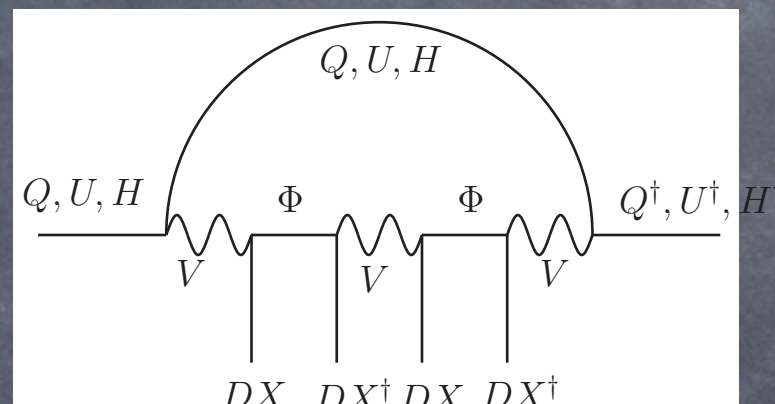
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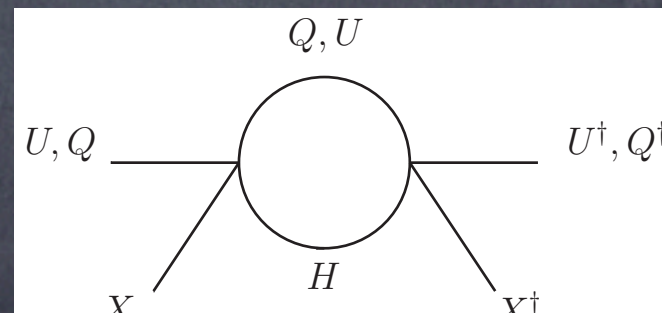
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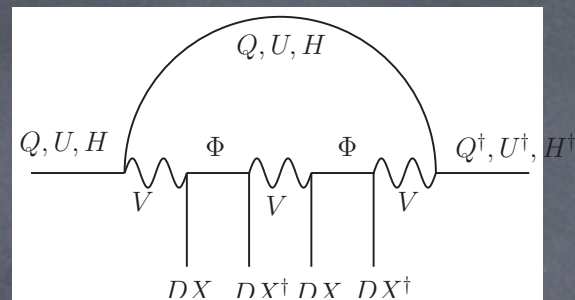


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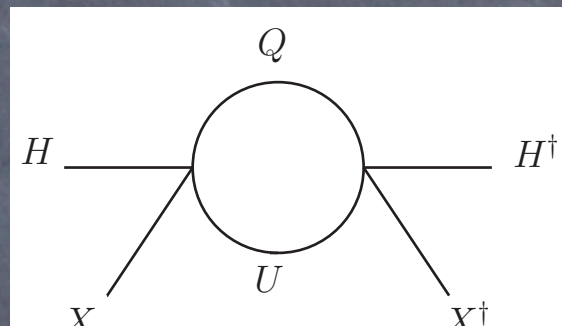
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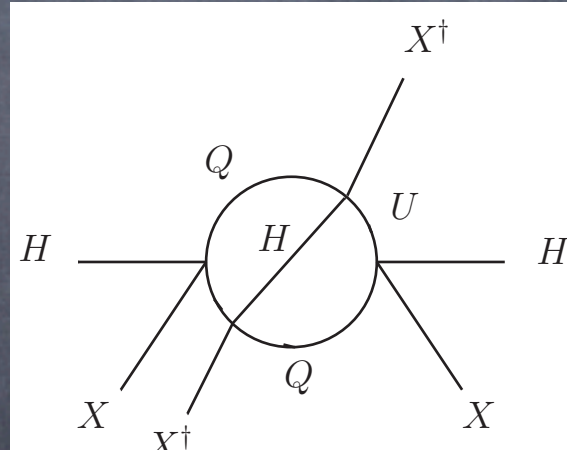
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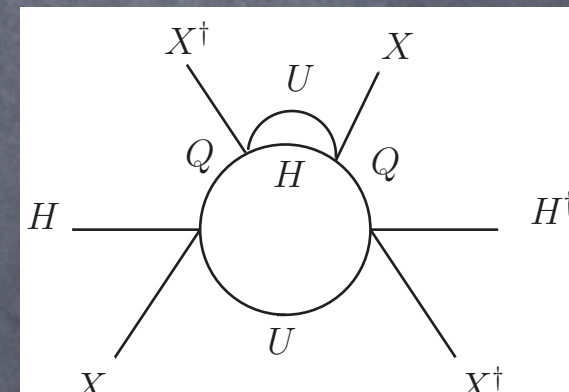
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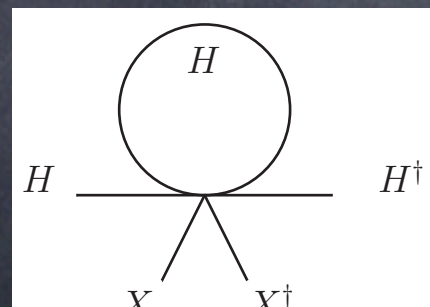
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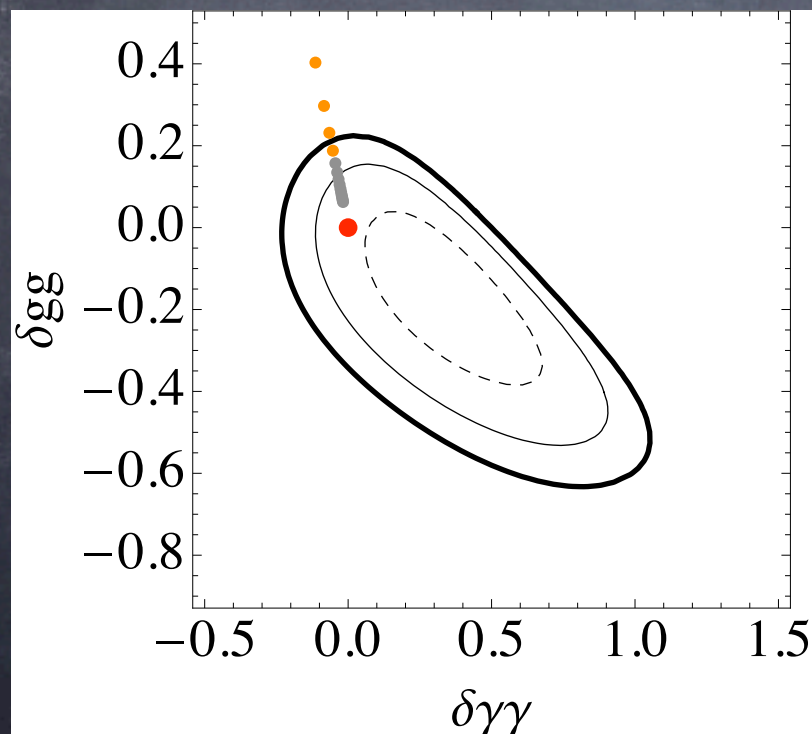
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Fit to Higgs data:

heavier stops are favored...



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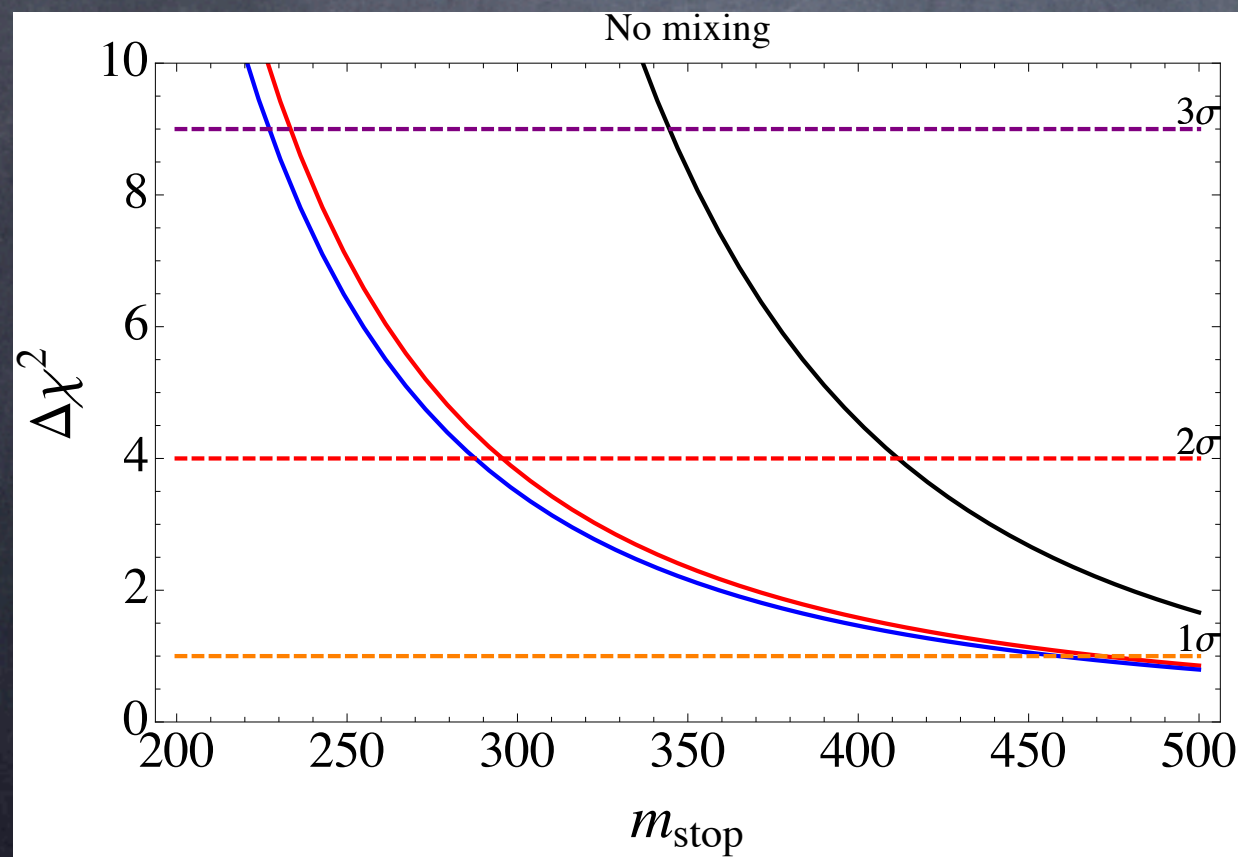
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$m_{tR} \ll m_{tL}$	$m > 280 \text{ GeV}$
$m_{tL} \ll m_{tR}$	$m > 290 \text{ GeV}$
$m_{tL} = m_{tR}$	$m > 420 \text{ GeV}$

Stops lighter than tops seem to be excluded in our model from Higgs data fit



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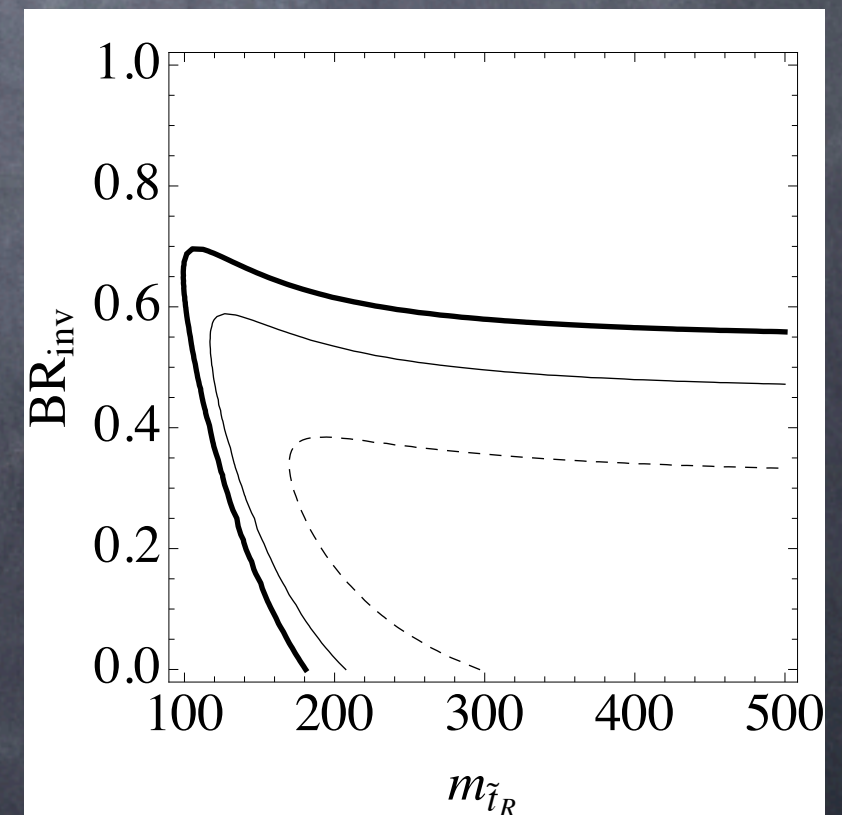
H and  $\nu$  superpartners  $\rightarrow$  interact with goldstino

• if the gravitino is light (LSP):

$$\Gamma(h \rightarrow \tilde{G}\nu_L) \simeq \frac{1}{16\pi} \frac{m_h^5}{F^2}$$

$$\sqrt{F} \approx 1 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow \text{Br}_{\text{inv}} \approx 10\%$$

$\text{Br}_{\text{inv}} \neq 0$  lighter stops still allowed





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Both jets + MET  
and leptoquark decays



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$\tilde{t}_R$  and  $\tilde{b}_L$  decay only into top/bottom + MET  
 $\Rightarrow$  MSSM searches can be adapted

from  $\tilde{b} \rightarrow b\chi_0$  with massless neutralino:

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$$m_{\tilde{t}_L} > 670 \text{ GeV}$$

from  $\tilde{t} \rightarrow t\chi_0$  with massless neutralino:

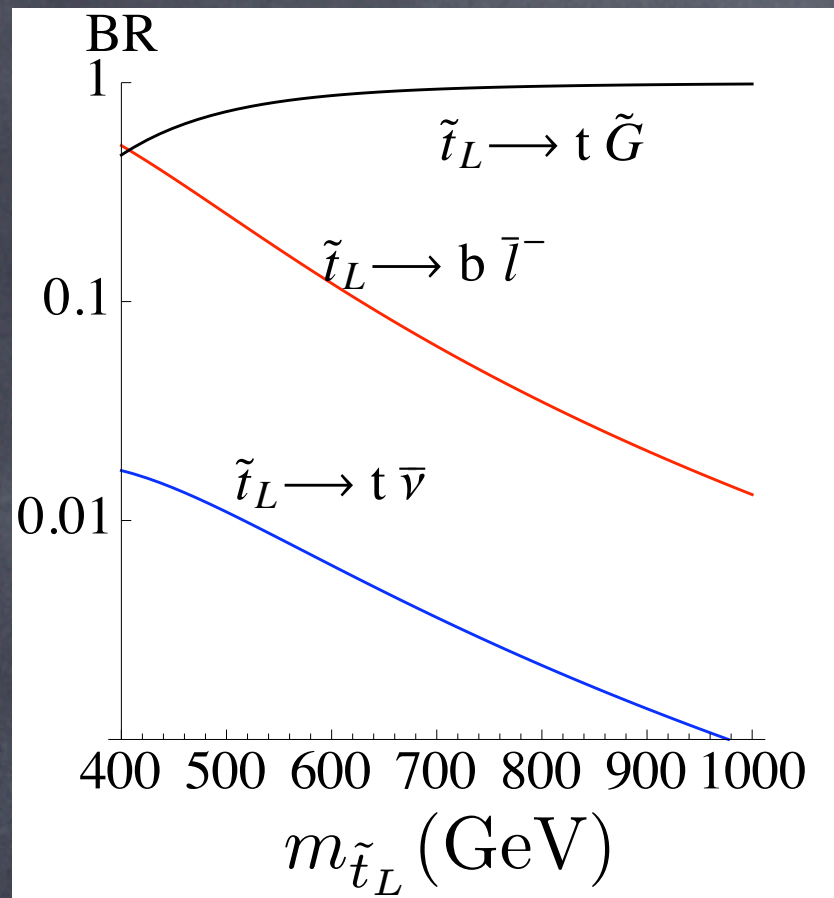
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stops lighter than tops in principle still allowed ( $m_{\tilde{t}_R} > 150 \text{ GeV}$ )



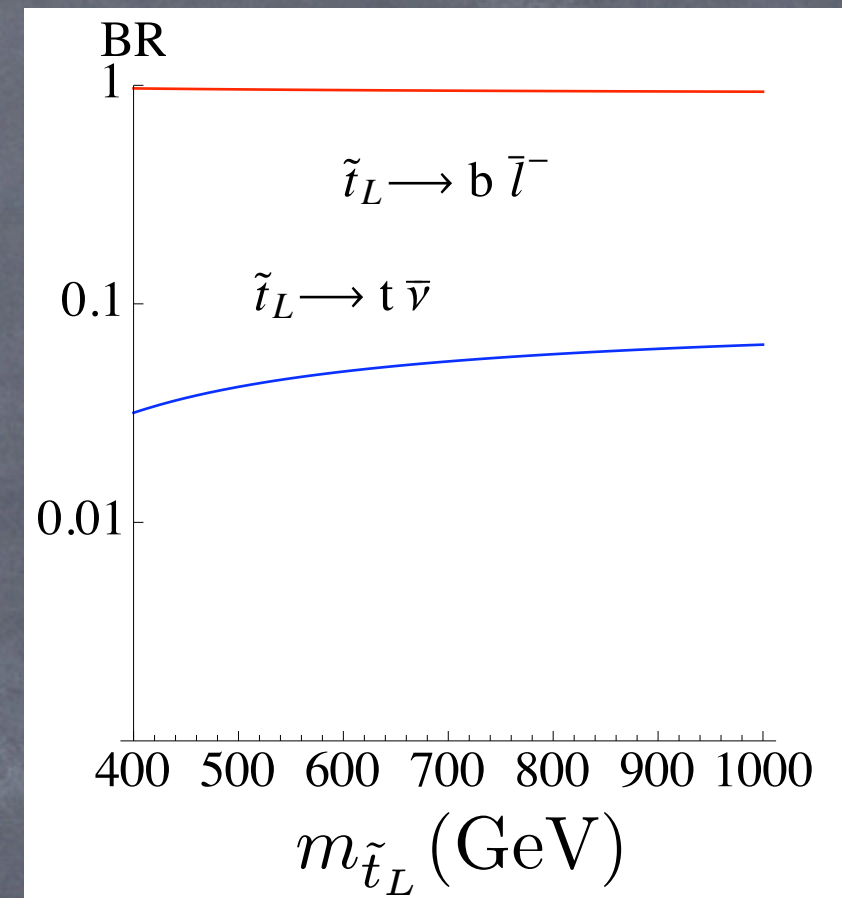
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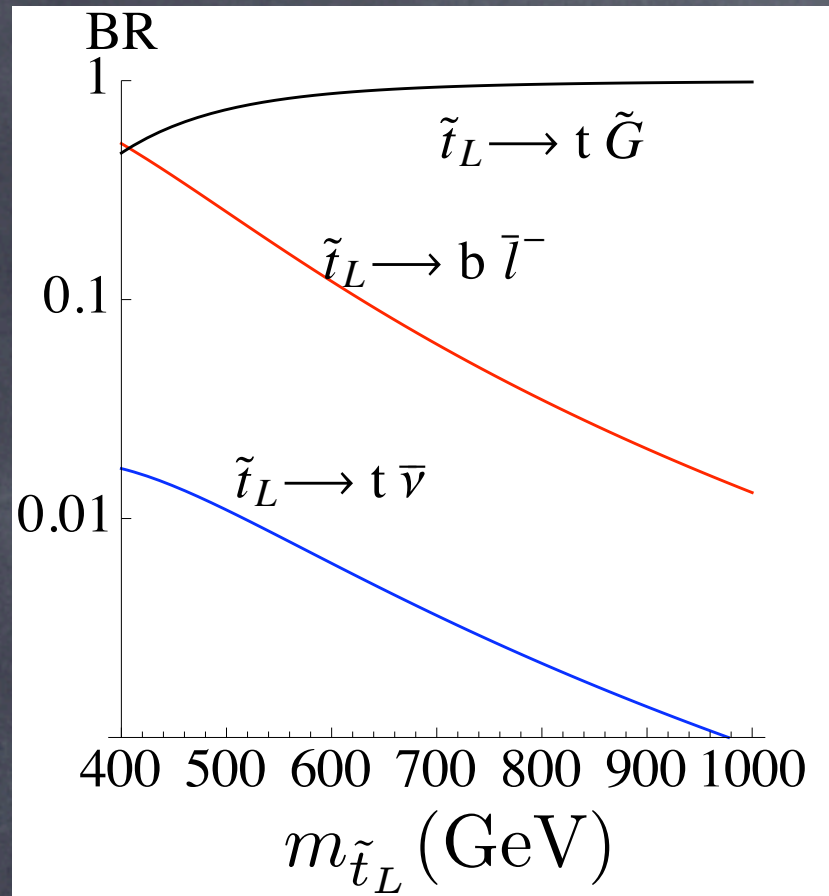


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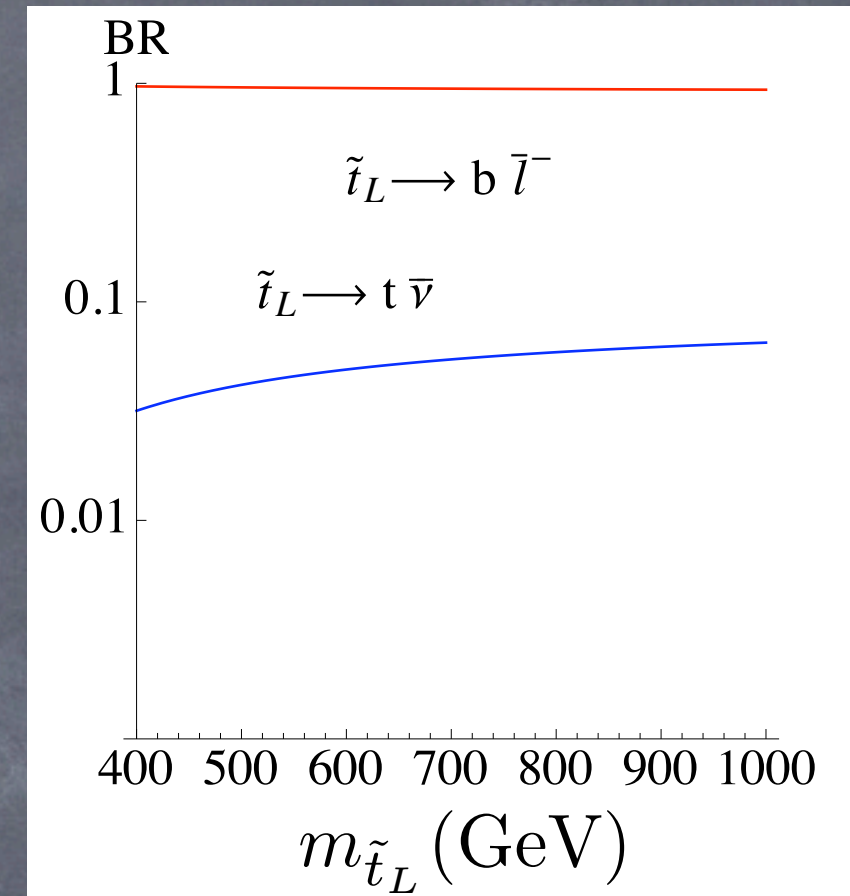
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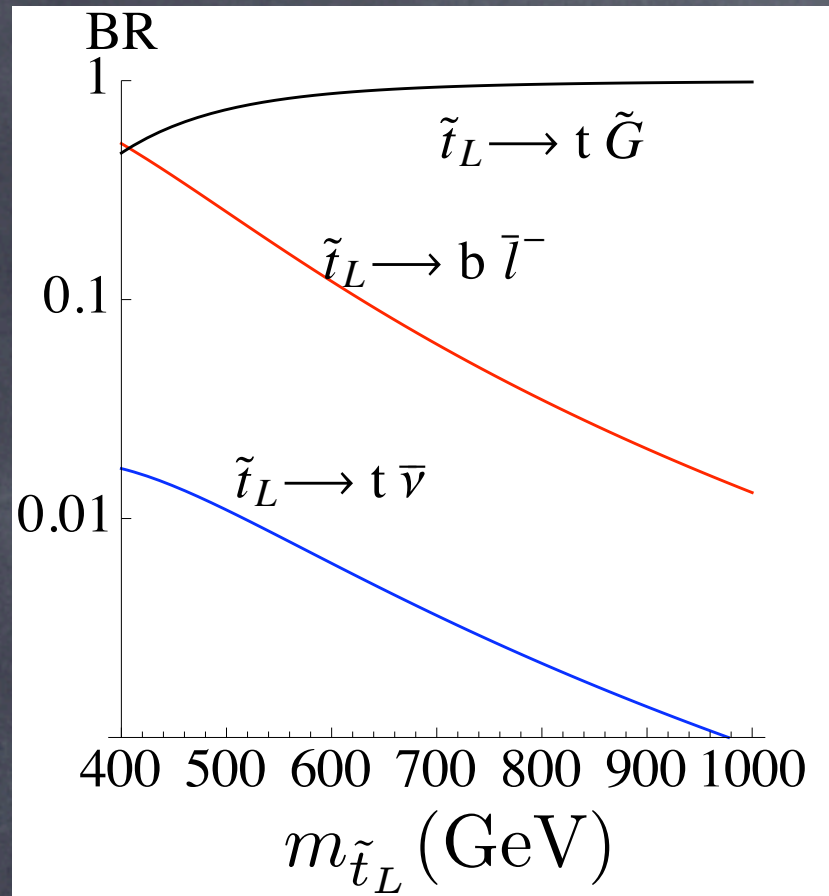
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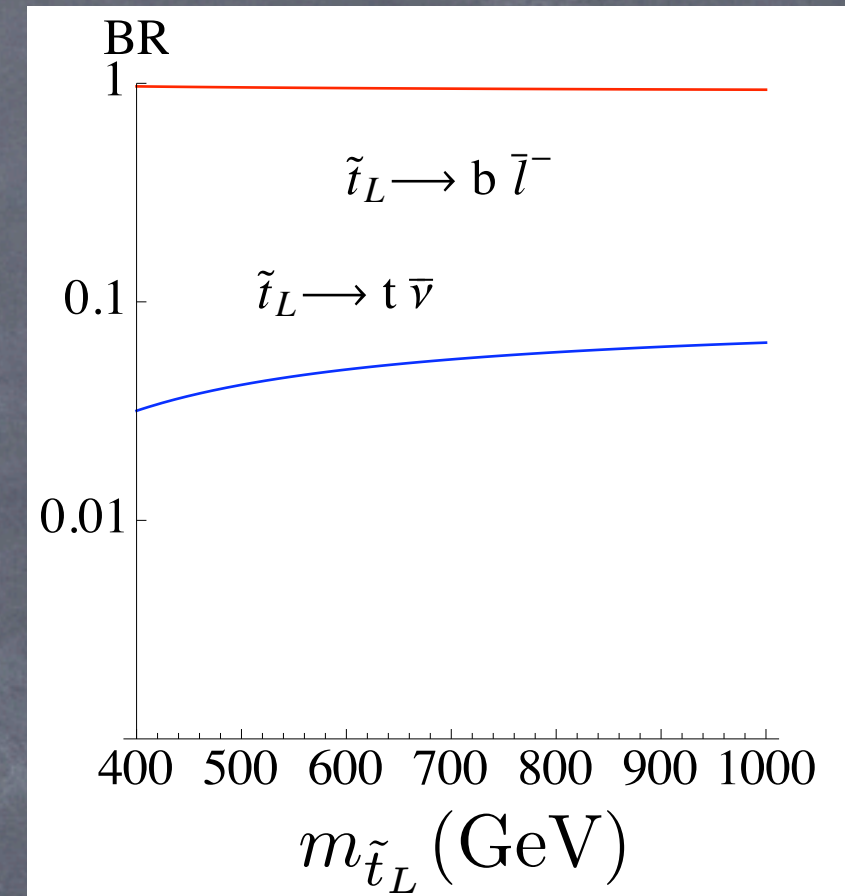
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searches leptoquarks:

jet+e

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jet+ $\mu$

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jet+ $\tau$

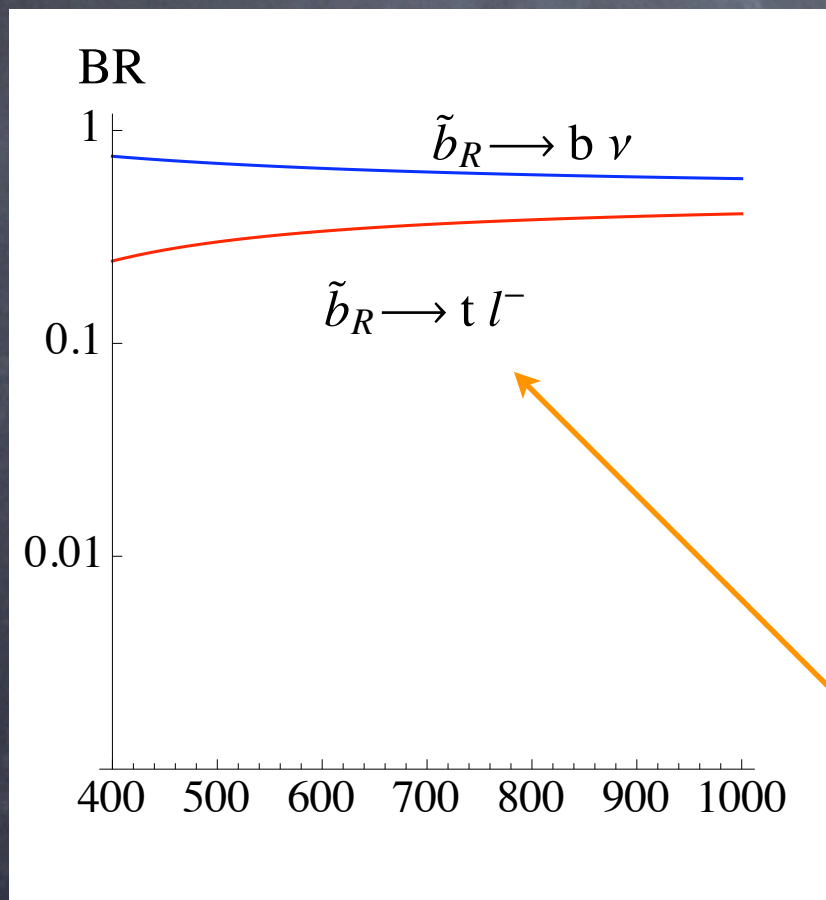
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$\tilde{b}_R$ 

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Light gravitino:  $b + \text{MET}$  dominates (factor  $\sim 10$ );  
otherwise:



Similar Br, both controlled by  $Y_b$ ,  
bounds from  $b\text{-jets} + \text{MET}$

$$m_{\tilde{b}_R} < 650 \text{ GeV}$$

Look for top + leptons!!!



# LHC search strategy

(an example of how to distinguish from MSSM)

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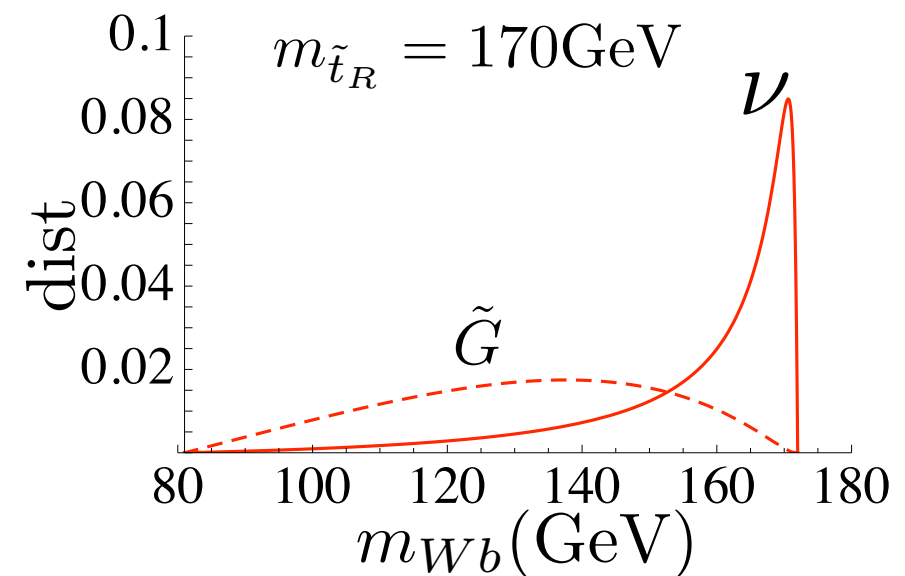
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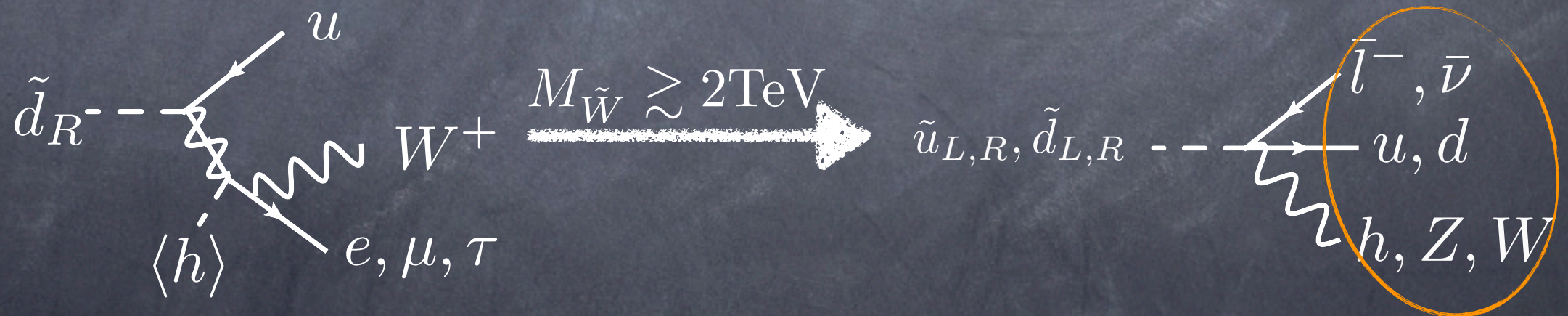
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jet (no b-jets) + W/Z + MET/lepton  $\leftarrow$  Look for them!!!



# Pheno: sleptons

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$$\tilde{l} \rightarrow l \tilde{G} \leadsto \text{leptons} + \text{MET} \quad m > 270 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\tilde{\nu} \rightarrow \nu \tilde{G} \leadsto \text{MET} ; \text{monojet, dijet+MET}$$

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