

# FINDING SUPERSYMMETRY AT THE LHC

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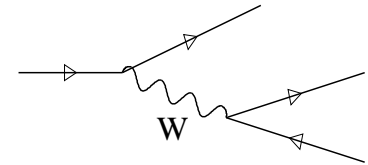
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- TeV–scale supersymmetry
- Signals at Tevatron and LHC
- Measurements at LHC
- SUSY parameters at LHC (and ILC)

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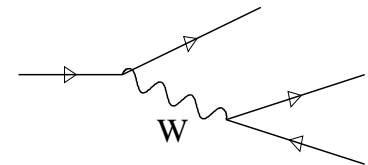
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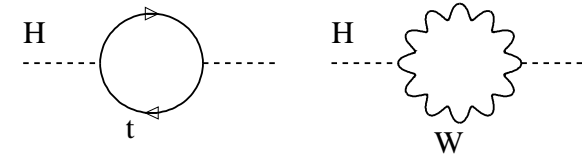
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– disaster strikes: scalar mass perturbatively unstable

quadratic divergences  $\delta m_H^2 \propto g^2 \Lambda^2$  [ $\Lambda$  loop cutoff]

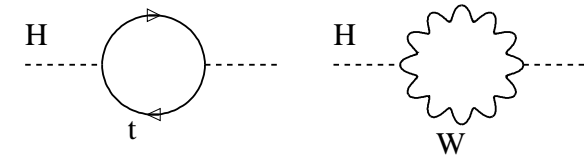
all-orders Higgs mass driven to cutoff  $m_H \rightarrow \Lambda$



⇒ new physics needed to solve hierarchy problem  $m_Z \ll \Lambda$

# TeV-SCALE SUPERSYMMETRY: 1

## Starting from data...



- ...which seem to indicate a light Higgs
- problem of light Higgs: mass driven to cutoff of theory
$$\delta m_H^2 \propto g^2 (2m_W^2 + m_Z^2 + m_H^2 - 4m_t^2) \Lambda^2$$
Veltman's condition  $(\dots) = 0$  would be fun  
problem preferably solved to arbitrary loop order
- ⇒ easy solution: counter term to cancel loops ⇒ **artificial, unmotivated, ugly**
- ⇒ or new physics at TeV scale: **supersymmetry**
  - extra dimensions
  - little Higgs (pseudo-Goldstone Higgs)
  - Higgsless, composite Higgs
  - YourFavoriteNewPhysics...
- ⇒ typically either cancellation with new particles or discussing away high scale
- ⇒ all beautiful concepts and symmetries
- ⇒ in general problematic to realize at TeV scale [data seriously in the way]

**Idea of supersymmetry:** cancellation of divergences through statistics factor (-1)  
[scalars vs. SM fermions; fermions vs. SM gauge bosons; fermions vs. SM scalars]

# TeV-SCALE SUPERSYMMETRY: 2

## SUSY idea: solve hierarchy problem by doubling spectrum

- stops (scalar) cancel top loop [couplings protected]
- gauginos (neutral or charged) cancel W, Z loop
- higgsinos cancel Higgs loop [mix with gauginos]
- postulate gluino for 2-loop, plus sleptons and squarks
- ⇒ hierarchy problem solved
- ⇒ **rich collider and non-collider phenomenology** [broken SUSY effective theory of everything]
- ⇒ extended Poincaré algebra, supergravity,...

## Change in Higgs sector

- adjoint Higgs field not allowed in  $\mathcal{L}$ 
  - how to give mass to t and b?
  - two Higgs doublets
- ⇒ SUSY Higgs sector interesting in itself
- ⇒ I hope Dave told you?

		spin	d.o.f.	
fermion	$f_L, f_R$	1/2	1+1	
→ sfermion	$\tilde{f}_L, \tilde{f}_R$	0	1+1	
gluon	$G_\mu$	1	n-2	
→ gluino	$\tilde{g}$	1/2	2	Majorana
gauge bosons	$\gamma, Z$	1	2+3	
Higgs bosons	$h^0, H^0, A^0$	0	3	
→ neutralinos	$\tilde{\chi}_i^0$	1/2	4 · 2	Majorana
gauge bosons	$W^\pm$	1	2 · 3	
Higgs bosons	$H^\pm$	0	2	
→ charginos	$\tilde{\chi}_i^\pm$	1/2	2 · 4	Dirac
graviton	$G$	2	2	
→ gravitino	$\tilde{G}$	3/2	2	hard to catch

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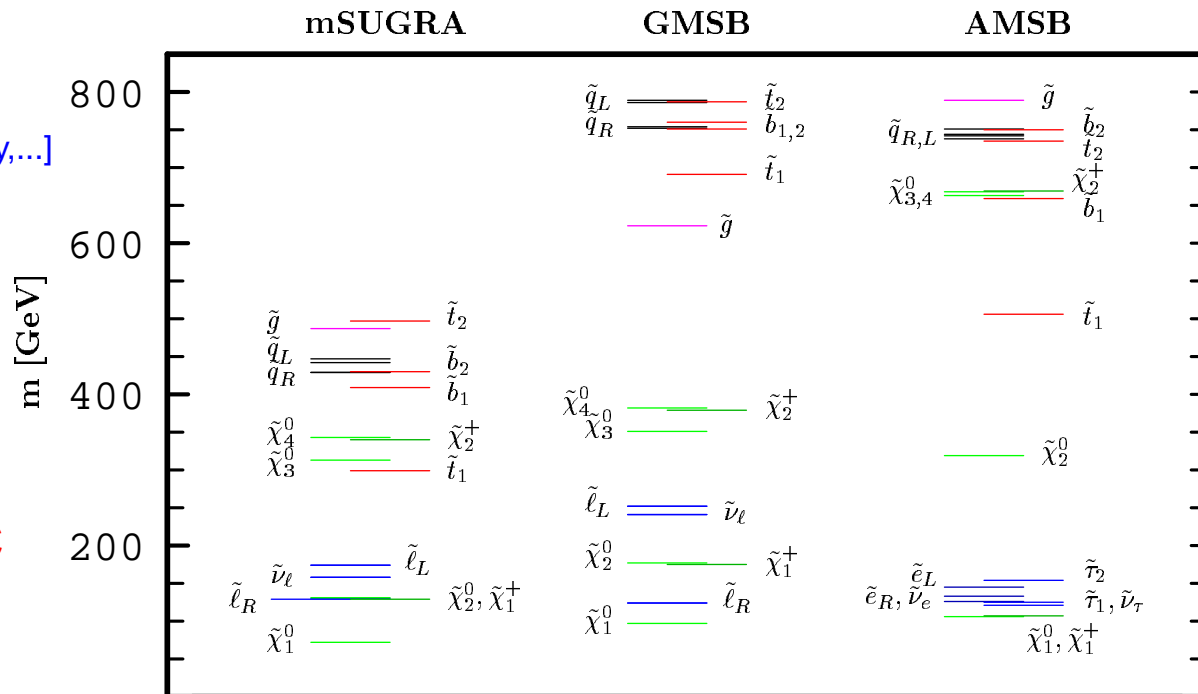
## SUSY breaking: heavy partners

- mechanism for partner masses unknown [soft breaking keeps away quadratic divergences]
  - link to flavor physics and baryogenesis/leptogenesis unknown
  - SUSY breaking unknown [hidden sector, assume mediation to visible sector]
  - maximally blind mediation at high scale: mSUGRA [not the LHC paradigm anymore!]
- scalars:  $m_0$ , fermions:  $m_{1/2}$ , tri-scalar term:  $A_0$   
 plus  $\text{sign}(\mu)$  and  $\tan\beta$  in Higgs sector [Higgs masses free: NUHM]

## Alternatives to mSUGRA [SoftSusy,...]

- gauge mediation
- anomaly mediation
- gaugino mediation
- ... ?

⇒ **measure spectrum at LHC**



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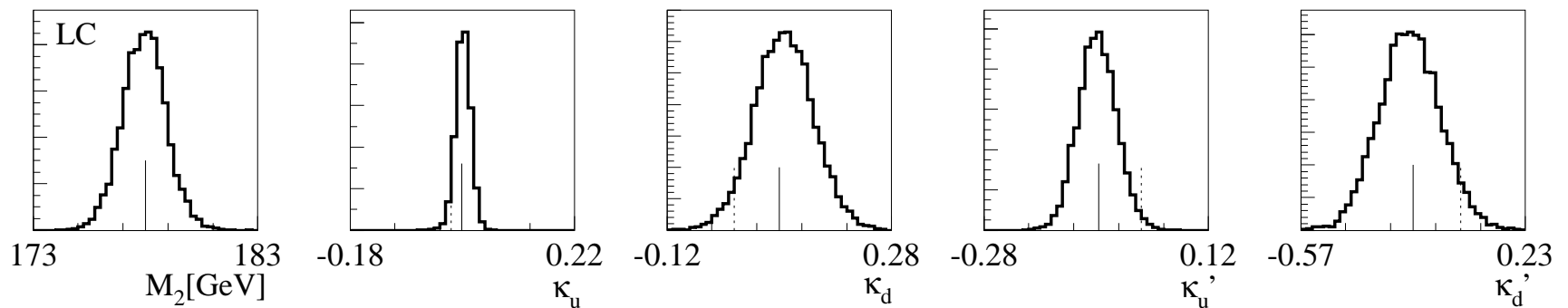
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⇒ **test of SUSY at Linear Collider:**  $m_Z s_W c_\beta \rightarrow m_Z s_W c_\beta (1 + \kappa_d) \dots$



[Kilian, TP, Richardson, Schmidt]



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- stop and sbottom mixing in **MSSM**

$$\begin{pmatrix} m_Q^2 + m_t^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3} s_W^2\right) m_Z^2 c_{2\beta} & -m_t (A_t + \mu \cot \beta) \\ -m_t (A_t + \mu \cot \beta) & m_U^2 + m_t^2 + \frac{2}{3} s_W^2 m_Z^2 c_{2\beta} \end{pmatrix}$$

- heavy gluinos, squarks through **unification**:  $m_{\tilde{B}, \tilde{W}, \tilde{g}}/m_{1/2} \sim 0.4, 0.8, 2.6$   
 $m_{\tilde{\ell}, \tilde{q}}/m_{1/2} \sim 0.7, 2.5$  [ $m_0 \ll m_{1/2}$ ]

[mass and coupling unification independent]

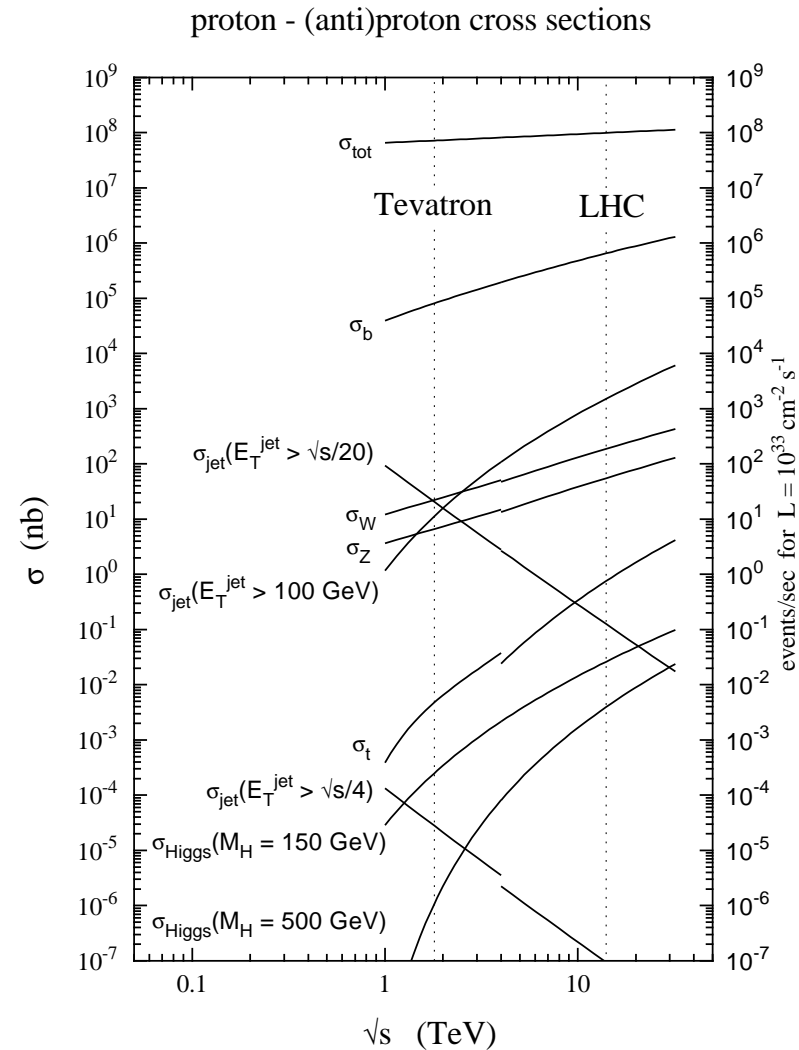
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## Conversion of beam energy into particle mass

- search for new particles easier if particle produced  
→ highest possible energies required
- clean  $e^+e^-$  colliders:  
LEP: Z pole  
LEP2: 206 GeV for e.g. ZH  
ILC/CLIC: 1...4 TeV in future
- powerful hadron colliders:  
Tevatron:  $p\bar{p}$  with 2 TeV [valence quarks]  
LHC:  $pp$  with 14 TeV [gluons]
- **LHC mass reach  $\sim 3$  TeV** [win by luminosity]

## New physics at hadron colliders

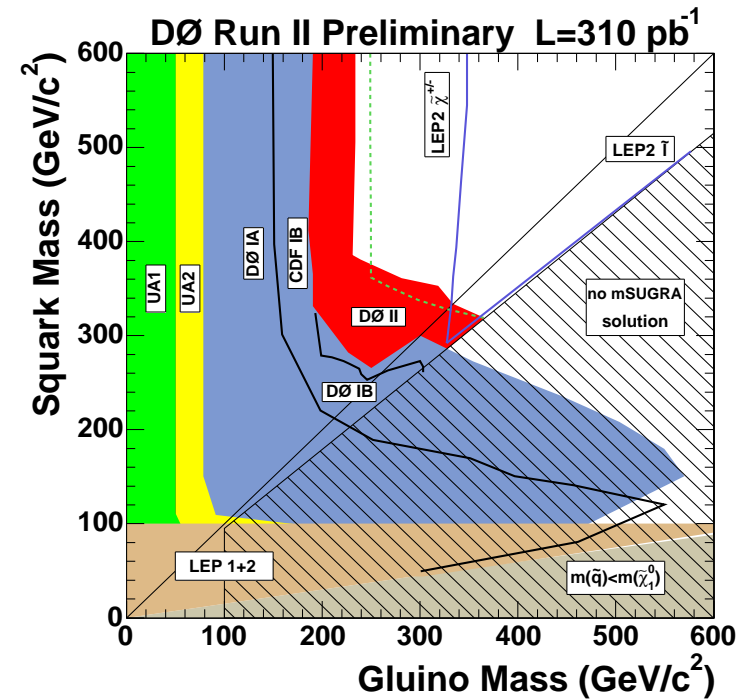
- what is a jet and what is inside? [b,  $\tau$  tag]
- trigger: ‘no leptons — no data’
- huge backgrounds  $pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}, WZ + \text{jets}, \dots$
- **statistics:  $S/\sqrt{B} > 5$  called discovery**



# SUPERSYMMETRY AT HADRON COLLIDERS: 2

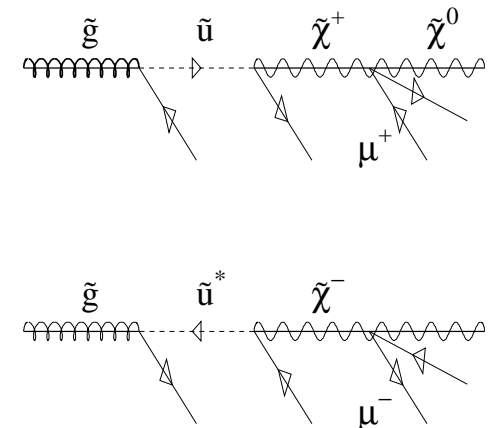
## Inclusive: squarks and gluinos at Tevatron

- squarks, gluinos strongly interacting  
 $p\bar{p} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}^*, \tilde{q}\tilde{g}, \tilde{g}\tilde{g}$  [best if  $m(\tilde{q}) \sim m(\tilde{g})$ ]
  - cross sections large at Tevatron [and LHC]
  - decays to jets and LSP  
 [additional jets and leptons possible]
  - gaugino mass unification only for efficiency
- ⇒ **we know search for inclusive jets plus LSP**



## How do we know it is SUSY?

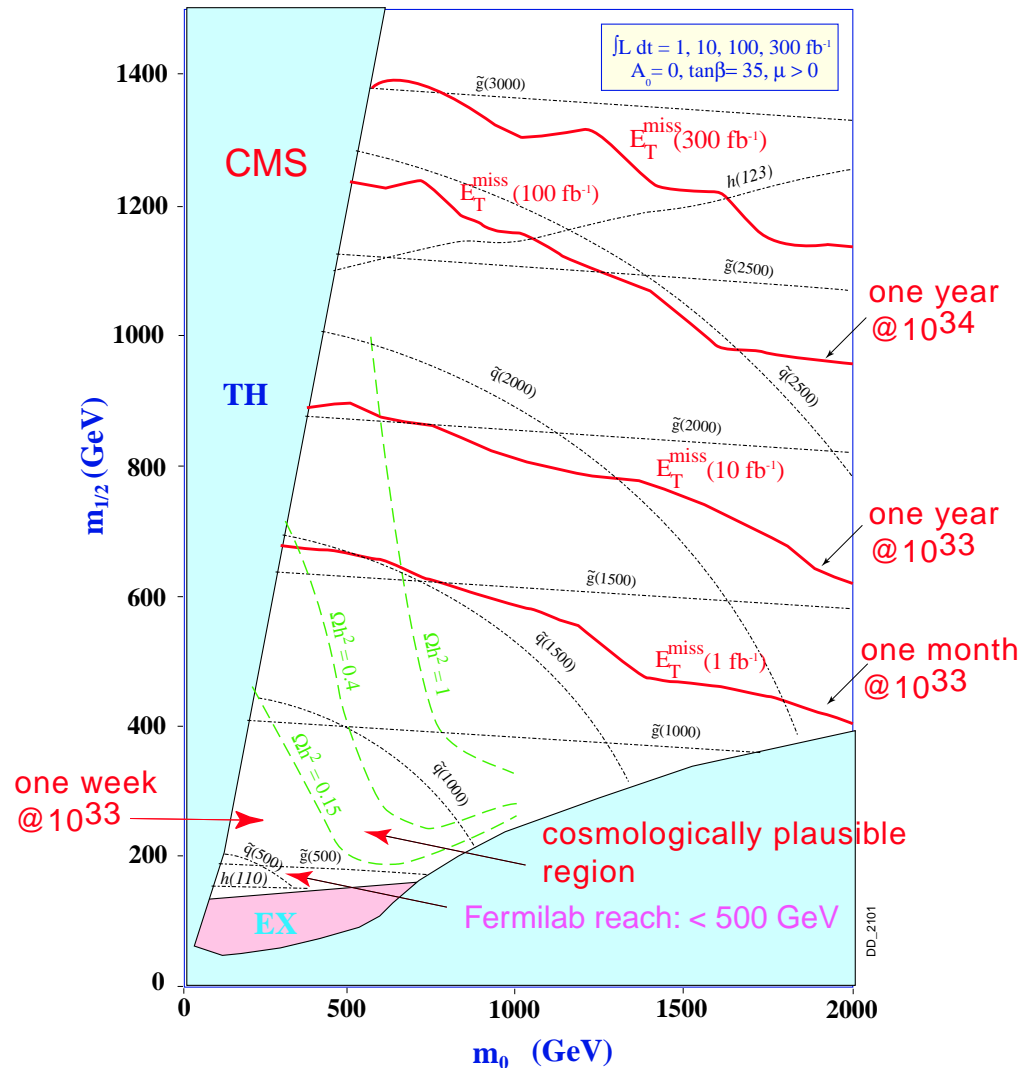
- remember: gluinos Majorana fermions
  - jet in gluino decay  $q$  or  $\bar{q}$
- ⇒ final-state leptons with both charges
- ⇒ **like-sign dileptons from  $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$**  [Barnett, Gunion, Haber]



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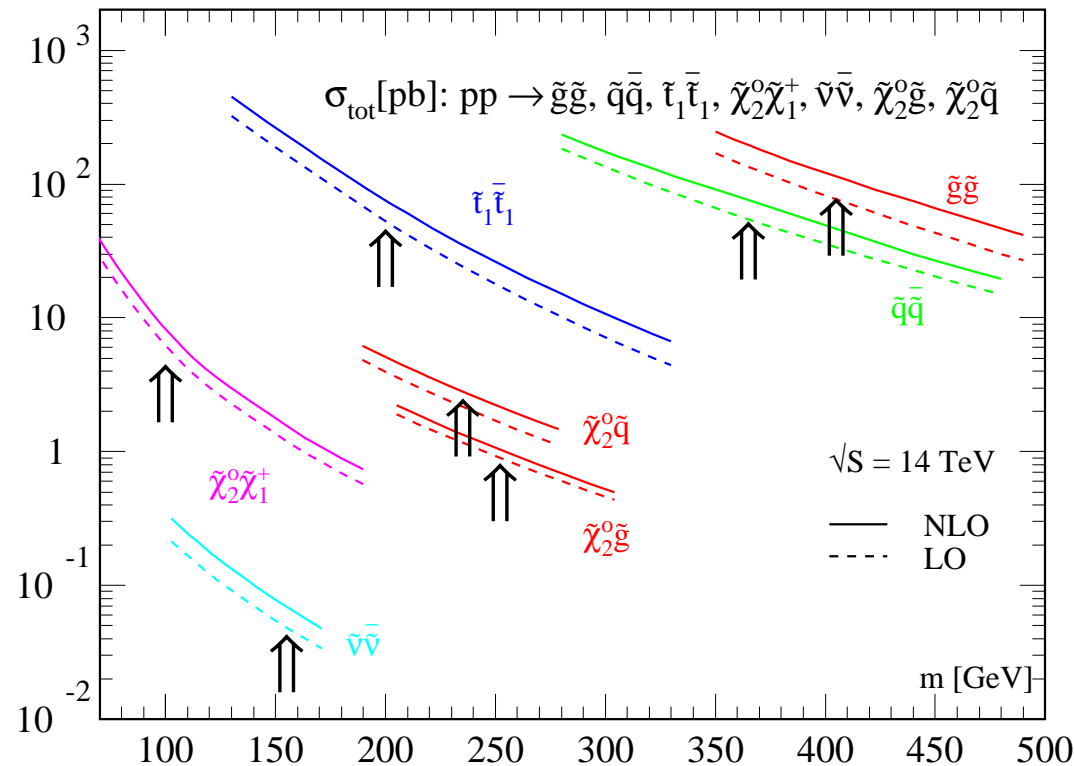
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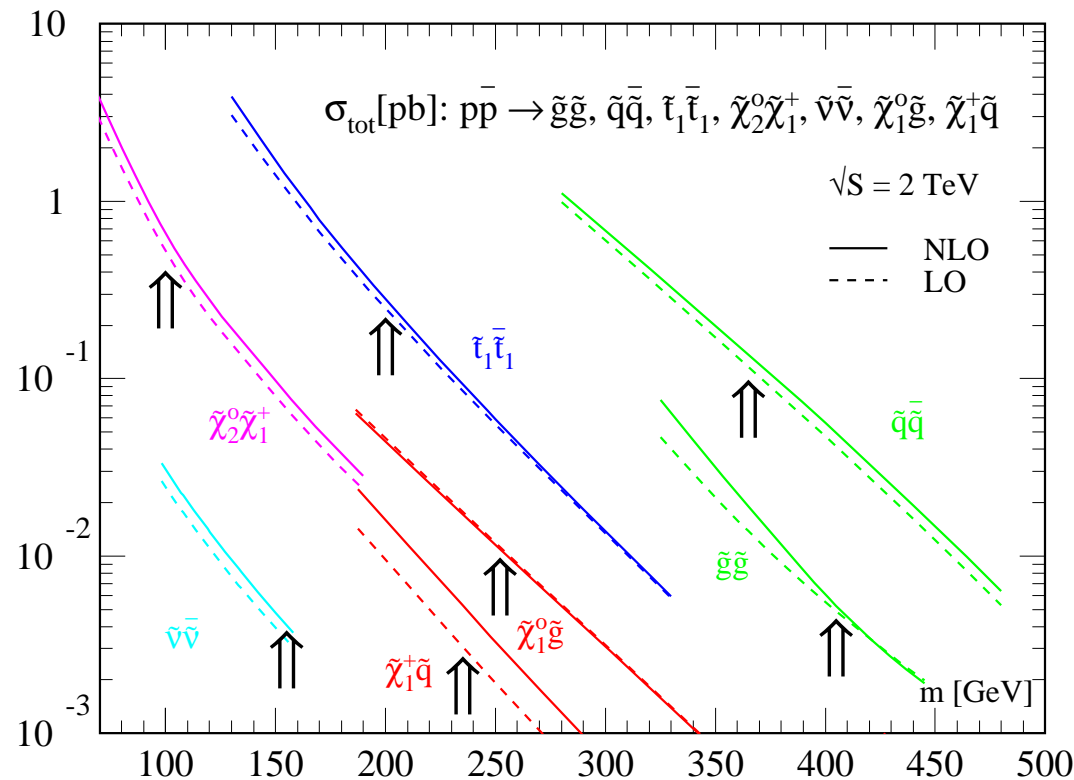
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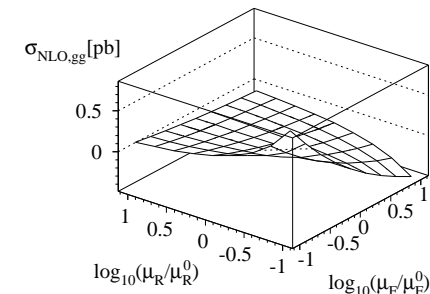
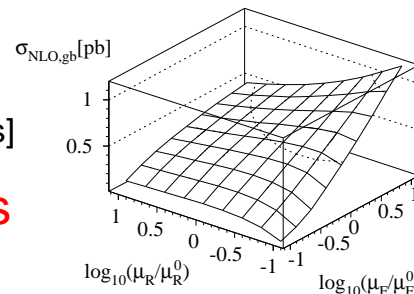
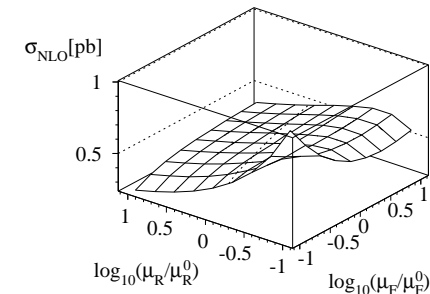
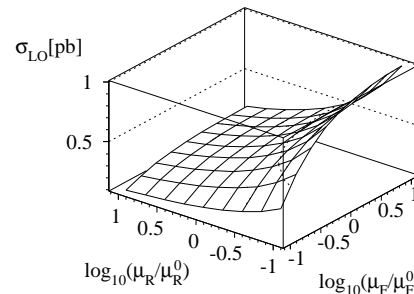
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- ⇒ at least 10% precision to be matched at LHC [theorist's nightmare, yet unsolved]

## Hadron collider observables with errors

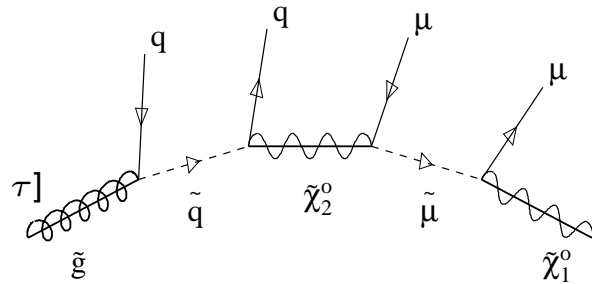
- ★ masses from  $\sigma_{\text{tot}}$
  - ★ branching fractions from  $\sigma_{\text{tot}}$
  - renormalization scale in  $\alpha_s, y_{b,t}$
  - factorization scale in pdf's
  - perturbative series  $N_c \alpha_s / \pi \sim 10\%$
  - finite terms larger [LO-NLO-NNLO: DY, Higgs]
- ⇒ **NLO errors: 15...40 % for SUSY pairs**  
[Tevatron limits not possible without NLO]



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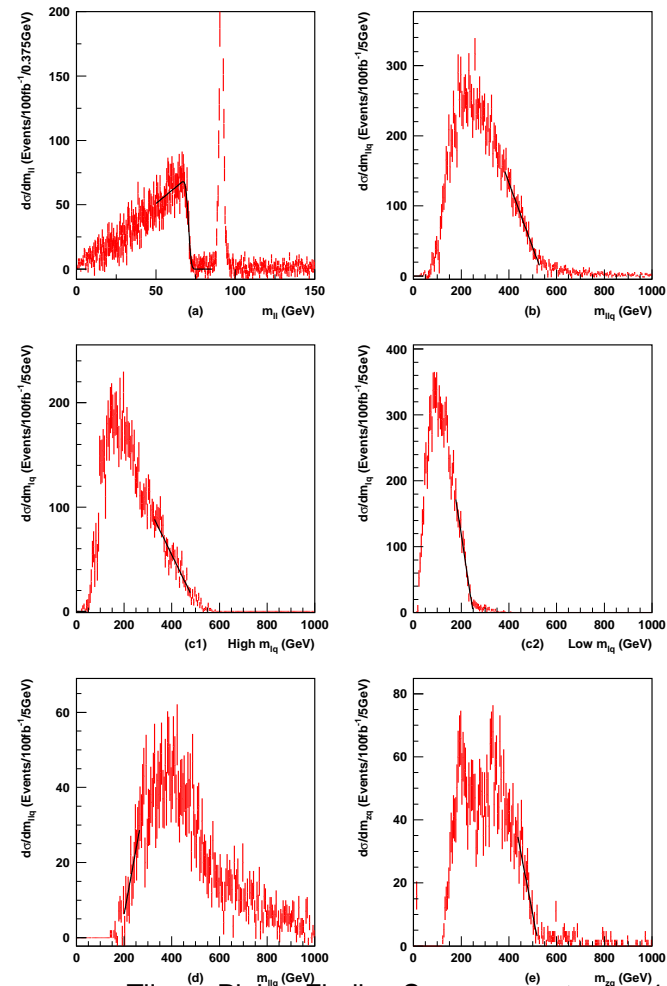
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- cross sections some 100 pb [more than  $3 \times 10^5$  events]
- thresholds & edges  $m_{\ell\ell}^2 < (m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 - m_{\tilde{\ell}}^2)(m_{\tilde{\ell}}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2)/m_{\tilde{\ell}}^2$



- detector resolution, calibration, systematic errors, shape analysis, cross sections as input?

⇒  **$\tilde{q}_L$  cascade reconstruction established**

[Hinchliffe, Paige,...;Allanach, Parker, Webber,...]

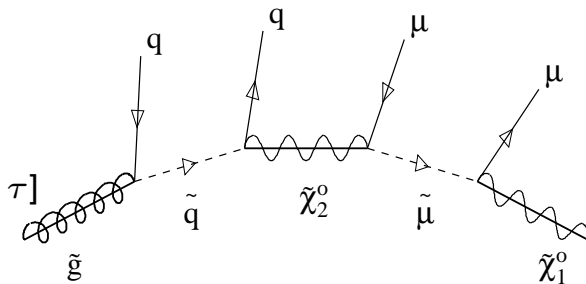




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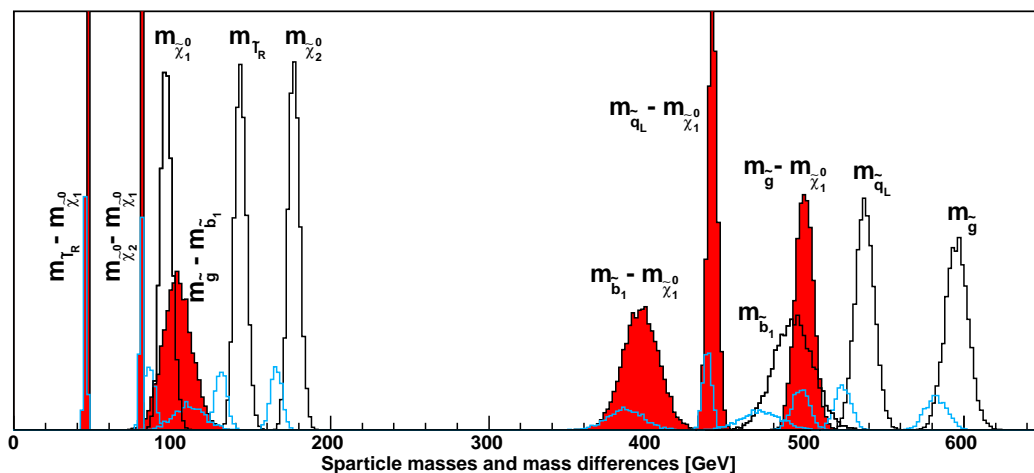
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- $\Rightarrow$   **$\tilde{q}_L$  cascade reconstruction established** [mass difference even better]



## Glino mass [Gjelsten, Miller, Osland]

- now four jets instead of two
  - $\tilde{b}_L$  instead, all jets b-tagged
  - most of time: cascade correct
- $\Rightarrow$  **gluino mass to  $\sim 1\%$**



# SUPERSYMMETRY AT LHC: 4

## Complex final states with Smadgraph [Cho, Hagiwara, Kanzaki, TP, Rainwater, Stelzer]

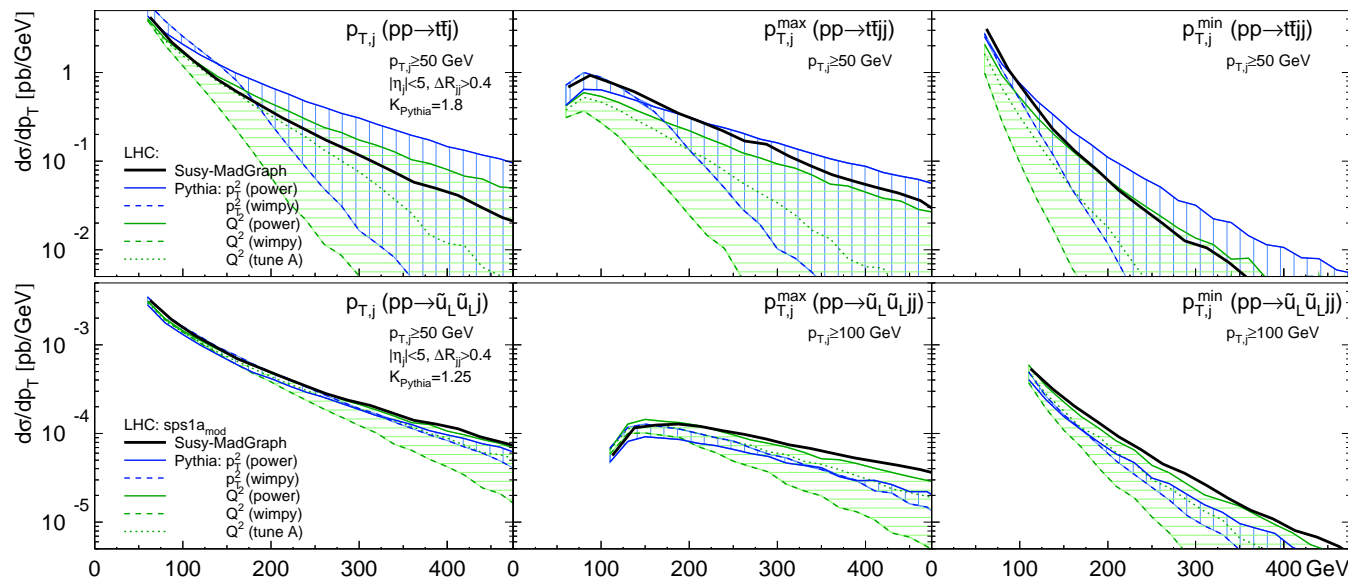
- Majoranas and fermion number violation in tools like Madgraph
- complete set of Feynman rules [400+ processes compared: Madgraph - Whizard - Sherpa]

## Squarks and gluinos always with many jets [TP, Rainwater, Skands]

- cascade studies sensitive to jets?
- matrix element  $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}+2j$  and  $\tilde{u}_L\tilde{g}+2j$  [ $p_{T,j} > 100$  GeV]
- Pythia shower tuned at Tevatron

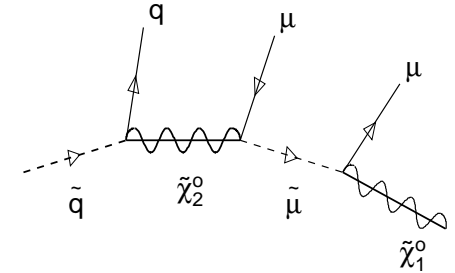
$\sigma$ [pb]	$t\bar{t}_{600}$	$\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$	$\tilde{u}_L\tilde{g}$
$\sigma_{0j}$	1.30	4.83	5.65
$\sigma_{1j}$	0.73	2.89	2.74
$\sigma_{2j}$	0.26	1.09	0.85

⇒ SUSY easier than tops?



## How to make sure it is SUSY

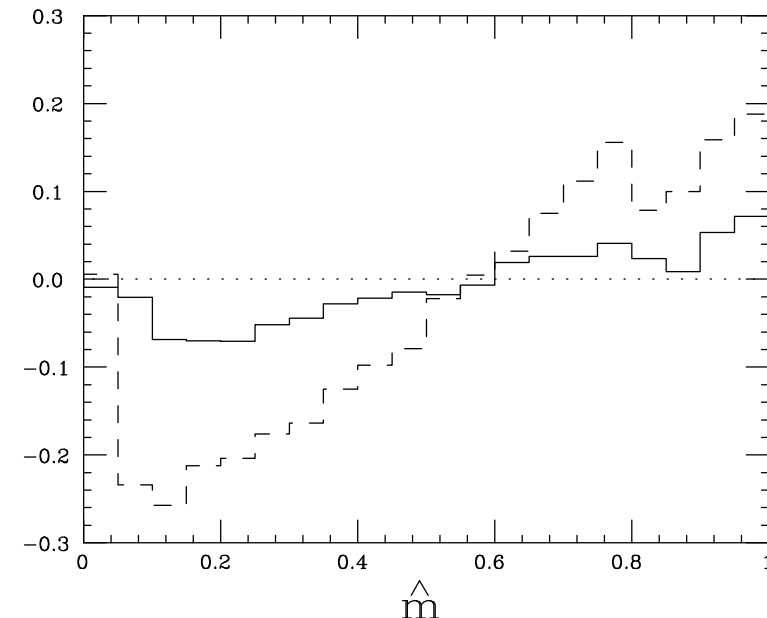
- assume squark is found in cascades
- ⇒ strongly interacting scalar? [first stop towards ‘neutralino’]
- ⇒ straw-man model where squark is a fermion: universal extra dimensions



[Cheng, Dobrescu,...; mass spectra degenerate —ignore this information; cross section factor 10 larger —ignore this as well]

## Squark–slepton cascade [Smillie, Webber]

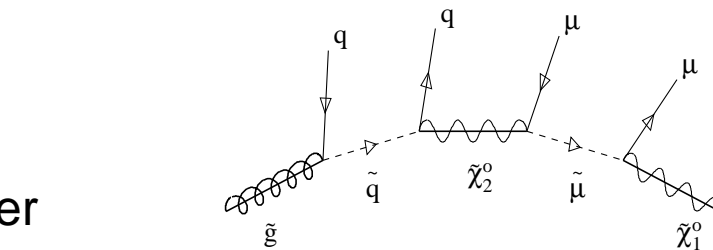
- decay chain  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \ell \tilde{\ell}^* \rightarrow \ell \bar{\ell} \tilde{\chi}_1^0$
- compare with first KK Z and  $\ell$
- typically largest  $pp \rightarrow \tilde{q} \tilde{q}^*$  [  $\tilde{q} : \tilde{q}^* \sim 1 : 2$  ]
- trick: mass variables, ‘normalized angles’ [Barr]
- ⇒  $\hat{m} = m_{j\ell} / m_{j\ell}^{\max}$  most promising
- $\mathcal{A} = [\sigma(j\ell^+) - \sigma(j\ell^-)] / [\sigma(j\ell^+) + \sigma(j\ell^-)]$
- ⇒ **more than proof of feasibility** [dashed SUSY]



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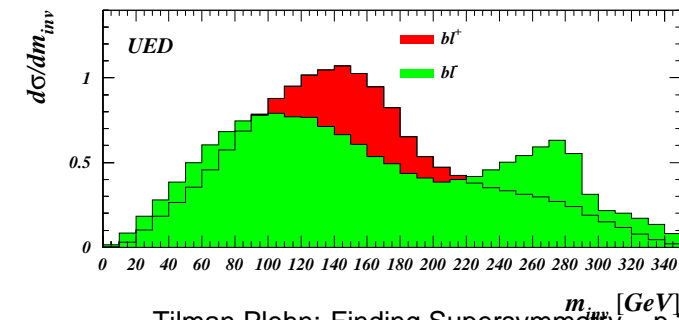
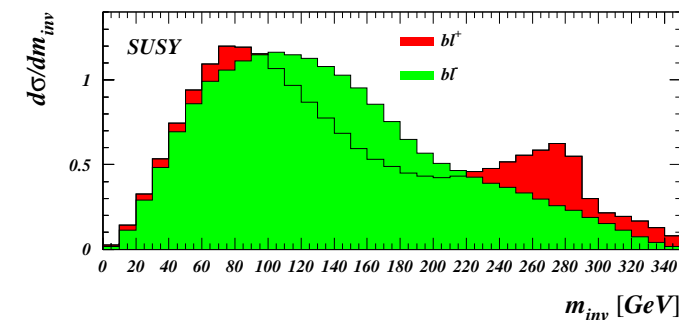
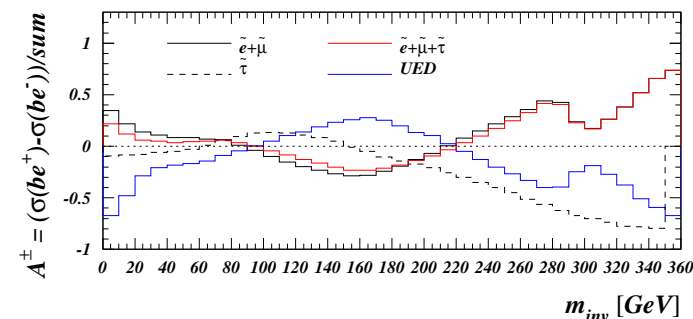
## Show it is SUSY-QCD

- given like-sign dileptons, gluino would be better
- ⇒ if fermion, then definitely Majorana [call it gluino]
- ⇒ compare with our straw man



## Glino-bottom cascade [Alves, Eboli, TP]

- decay chain as for gluino mass measurement
- compare with first KK  $g, q, Z,$  and  $l$
- replace initial-state asymmetry by  $b$  vs.  $\bar{b}$
- $\hat{m} = m_{bl} / m_{bl}^{\max}$
- $\mathcal{A} = [\sigma(bl^+) - \sigma(bl^-)] / [\sigma(bl^+) + \sigma(bl^-)]$
- very preliminary
- ⇒ **gluino spin accessible at LHC**



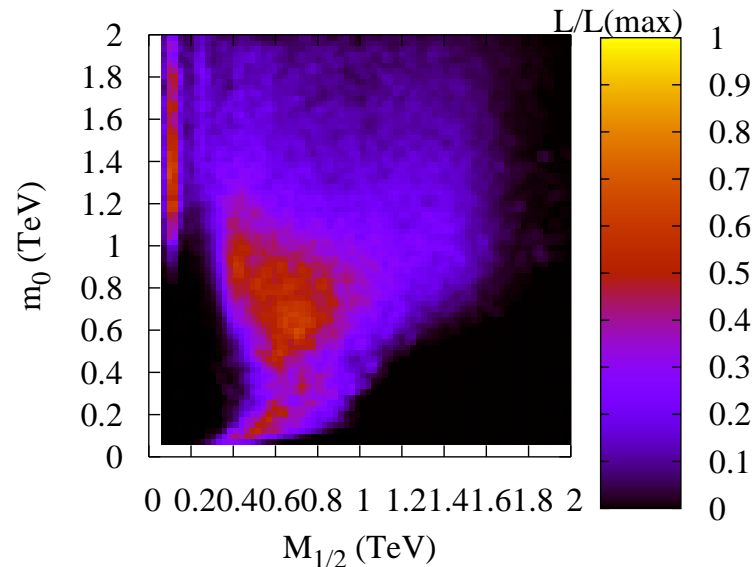
# SUPERSYMMETRIC PARAMETERS

## SUSY parameters from observables [Lafaye, TP, Zerwas; Fittino; Arkani-Hamed,...]

- parameters: weak-scale MSSM Lagrangean
- measurements: masses or edges  
branching fractions  
cross sections
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	SPS1a	$\Delta$ LHC masses	$\Delta$ LHC edges	$\Delta$ ILC	$\Delta$ LHC+ILC
$m_0$	100	3.9	1.2	0.09	0.08
$m_{1/2}$	250	1.7	1.0	0.13	0.11
$\tan \beta$	10	1.1	0.9	0.12	0.12
$A_0$	-100	33	20	4.8	4.3

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## Combination of methods [TP, Lafaye, Zerwas]

- (1) grid for closed subset  
(2) fit of remaining parameters  
(3) complete fit
  - more modern alternatives:  
simulated annealing  
Markov Chains
- ⇒ **LHC+ILC with no assumptions**

	LHC	ILC	LHC+ILC	SPS1a
$\tan\beta$	$10.22 \pm 9.1$	$10.26 \pm 0.3$	$10.06 \pm 0.2$	10
$M_1$	$102.45 \pm 5.3$	$102.32 \pm 0.1$	$102.23 \pm 0.1$	102.2
$M_3$	$578.67 \pm 15$	fix 500	$588.05 \pm 11$	589.4
$M_{\tilde{\tau}_L}$	fix 500	$197.68 \pm 1.2$	$199.25 \pm 1.1$	197.8
$M_{\tilde{\tau}_R}$	$129.03 \pm 6.9$	$135.66 \pm 0.3$	$133.35 \pm 0.6$	135.5
$M_{\tilde{\mu}_L}$	$198.7 \pm 5.1$	$198.7 \pm 0.5$	$198.7 \pm 0.5$	198.7
$M_{\tilde{q}_{3L}}$	$498.3 \pm 110$	$497.6 \pm 4.4$	$521.9 \pm 39$	501.3
$M_{\tilde{t}_R}$	fix 500	$420 \pm 2.1$	$411.73 \pm 12$	420.2
$M_{\tilde{b}_R}$	$522.26 \pm 113$	fix 500	$504.35 \pm 61$	525.6
$A_\tau$	fix 0	$-202.4 \pm 89.5$	$352.1 \pm 171$	-253.5
$A_t$	$-507.8 \pm 91$	$-501.95 \pm 2.7$	$-505.24 \pm 3.3$	-504.9
$A_b$	$-784.7 \pm 35603$	fix 0	$-977 \pm 12467$	-799.4

## LHC phenomenology beyond the Standard Model

- Tevatron perfect training ground for SUSY at LHC
  - many new ideas: QCD matching, parameter extraction, spin measurement,...
  - many new tools: Prospino2, Smadgraph, Sfitter,...
  - lots of more work to be done
- ⇒ experiment and theory have to work together
- ⇒ **LHC will be the coolest experiment ever!**



# SUPERSYMMETRY AT LHC: 4

## Complex final states [Cho, Hagiwara, Kanzaki, TP, Rainwater, Stelzer]

- Majoranas and fermion number violation in tools like Madgraph
- complete set of Feynman rules [400+ processes compared: Madgraph - Whizard - Sherpa]

## Squarks and gluinos always with many jets [TP, Rainwater, Skands]

- cascade studies sensitive to jets?
- matrix element  $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}+2j$  and  $\tilde{u}_L\tilde{g}+2j$  [ $p_{T,j} > 100$  GeV]
- Pythia shower tuned at Tevatron

$\sigma$ [pb]	$t\bar{t}_{600}$	$\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$	$\tilde{u}_L\tilde{g}$
$\sigma_{0j}$	1.30	4.83	5.65
$\sigma_{1j}$	0.73	2.89	2.74
$\sigma_{2j}$	0.26	1.09	0.85

⇒ **SUSY easier than tops**

