

# Dark Matter and Missing Energy Signals at Tevatron and the LHC

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- WIMPless Dark Matter at Tevatron and the LHC

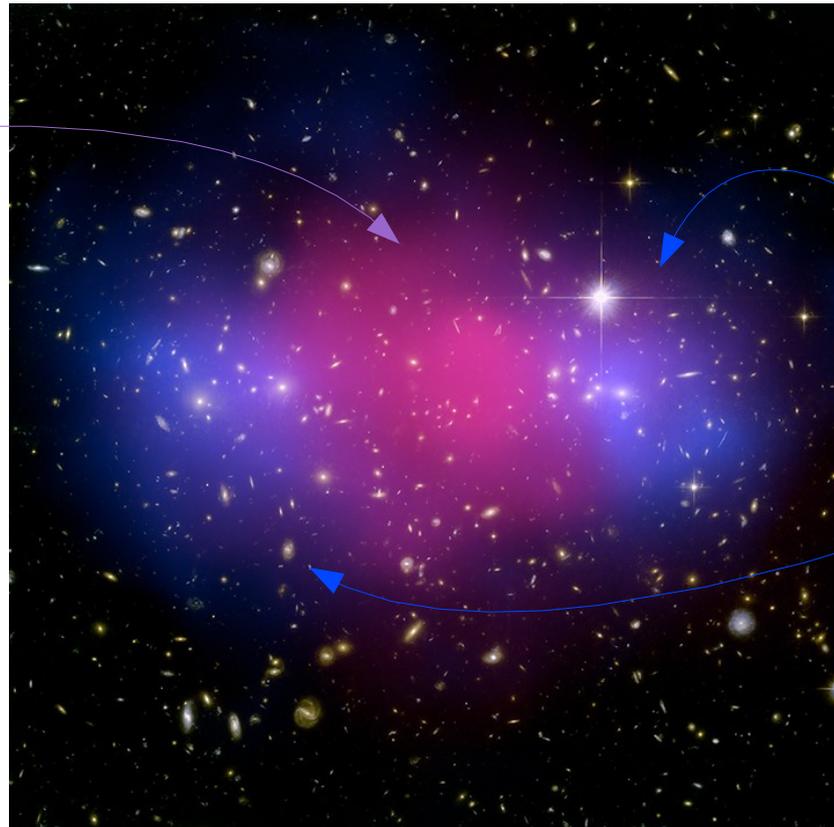
# Introduction - Dark Matter

- Only strong empirical evidence for new physics
- Host of astronomical/cosmological observations indicate non-baryonic, non-relativistic, weakly or non-interacting dark matter
  - Galactical rotation curves
  - Gravitational micro-lensing
  - Galaxy structure formation
  - Cosmic microwave background data favouring  
73% Dark energy – 22% Dark matter – 4.7% atoms

# Introduction - Dark Matter

Most exciting observation (Bradac et al):  
The MACS J0025.4-1222 cluster collision

Luminous (X-ray-emitting) gas  
(stopped by collision)



Dark matter  
(deduced by  
gravitational  
lensing)  
(unaffected by  
collision)

# Introduction - Dark Matter

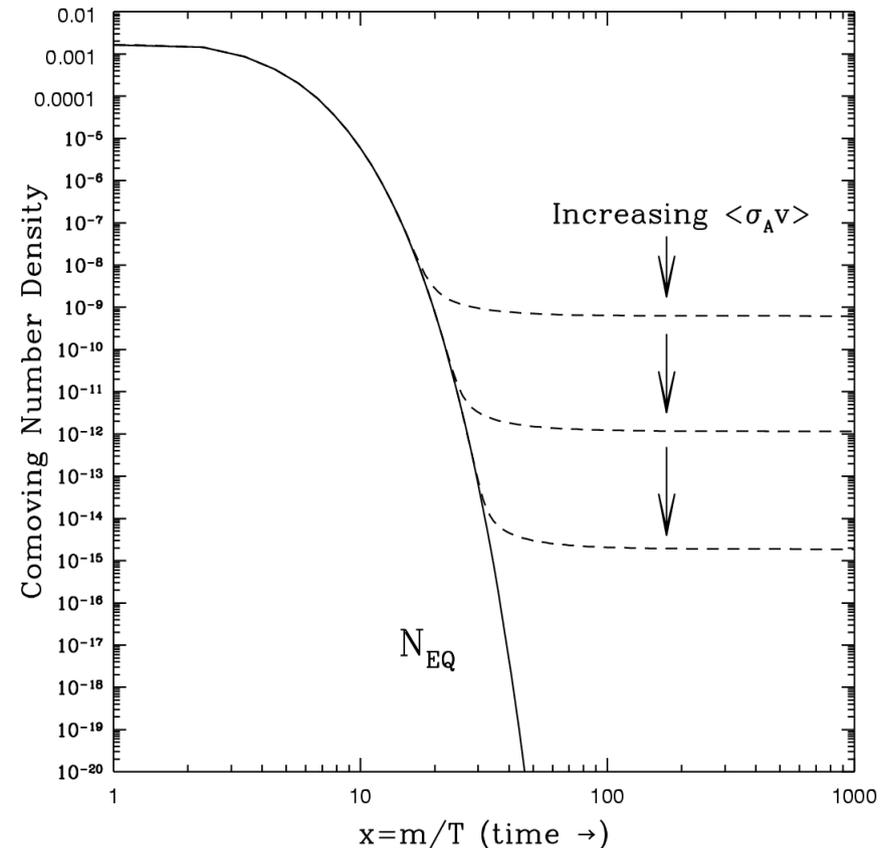
Relic density of particles in the universe:

$$\Omega_X \propto \frac{1}{\langle \sigma v \rangle} \sim \frac{m_X^2}{g_X^4}$$

$$m_X \simeq m_W \sim 100 \text{ GeV}$$

$$g_X \simeq g_{\text{Weak}} \sim 0.6$$

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_X \sim 0.1$$



Weakly Interacting Massive Particle

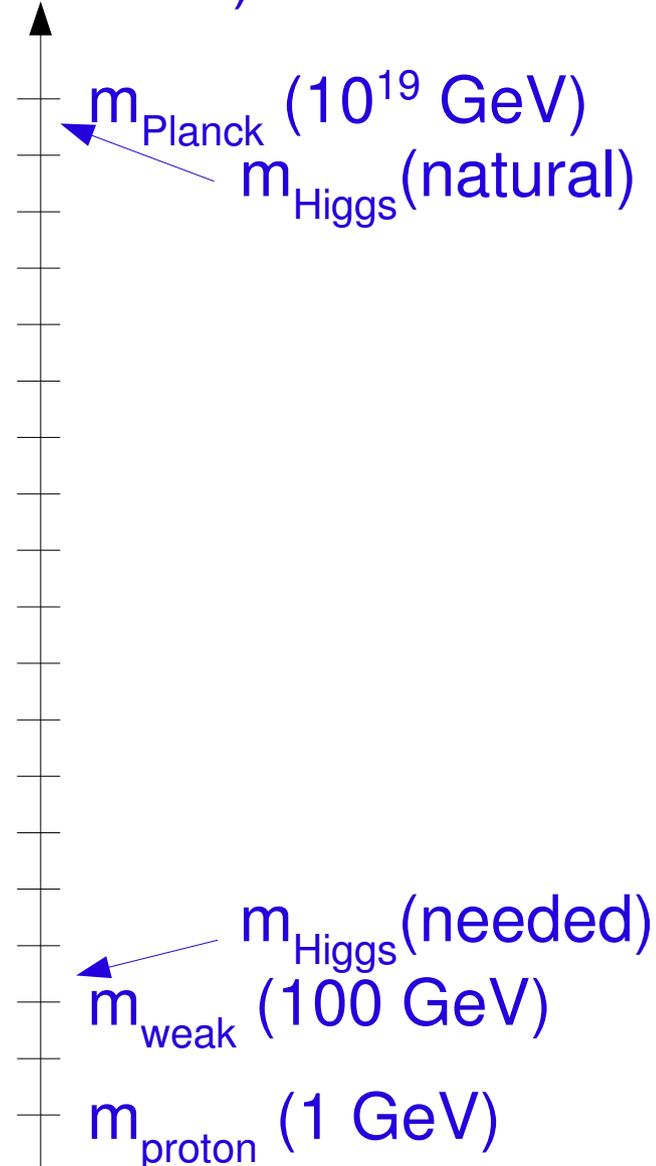
The “WIMP miracle” - Particle with weak-scale mass and coupling gives right relic density!

# Stabilizing Dark Matter

- For dark matter to be stable (on cosmological time scales) it must be charged under some new (approximately) unbroken symmetry
- Possibilities:
  - New gauge symmetry
  - New continuous global symmetry
  - New discrete symmetry
- Simplest possibility:  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  symmetry (“parity”)

# The Hierarchy Problem

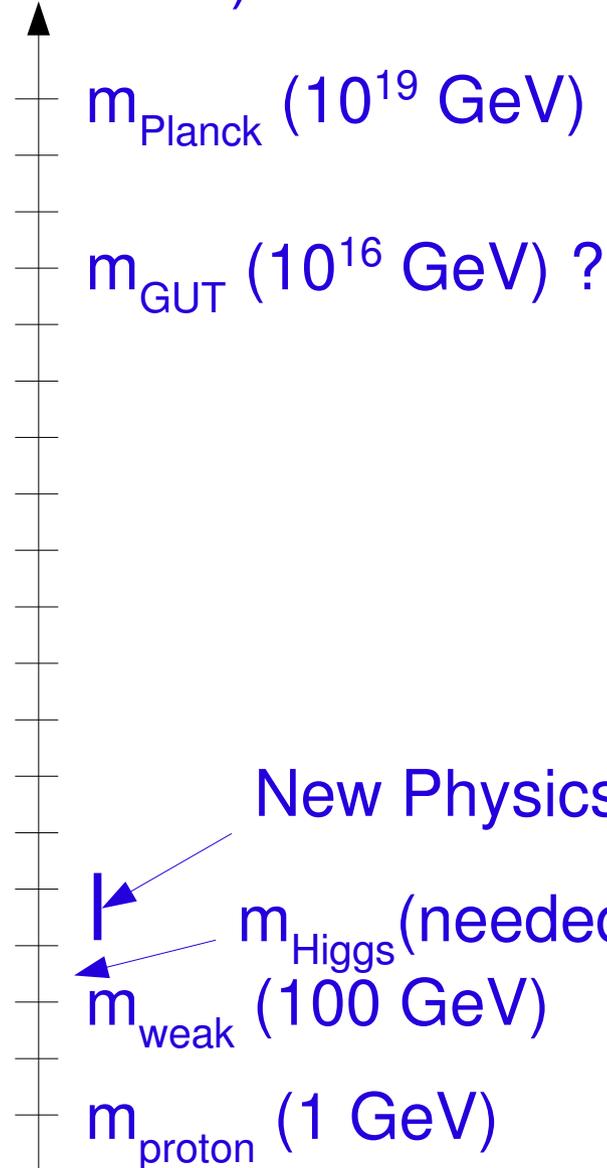
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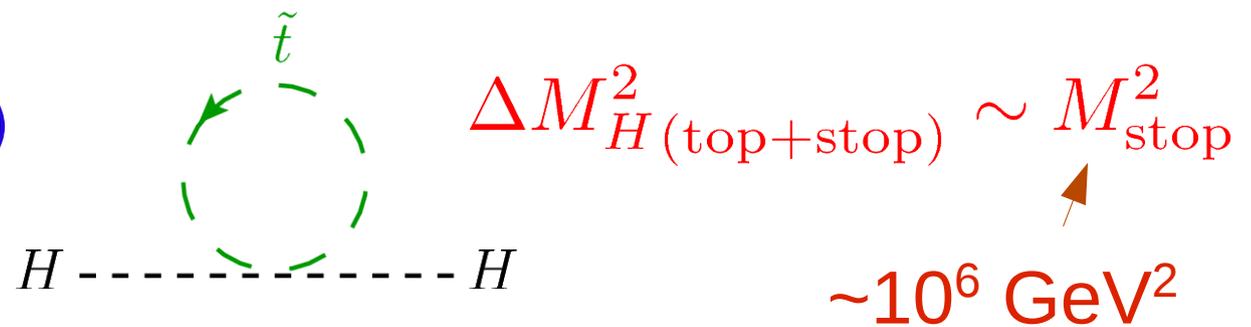
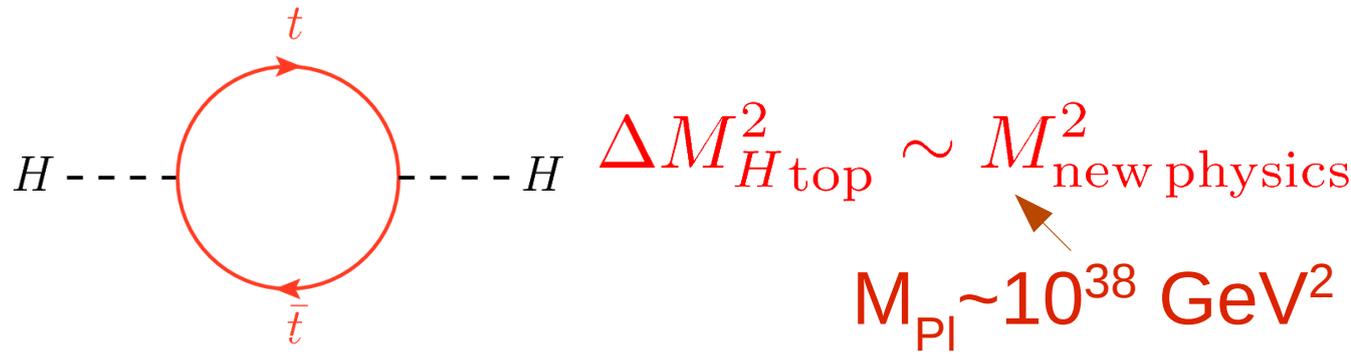
- Standard Model Higgs boson mass naturally at the scale of new physics (only known: Planck scale,  $10^{18}$  GeV)
- Standard Model only works if the Higgs mass below  $\sim 800$  GeV
- New physics scale communicated through quantum loops of top quarks, W bosons and H

# The Hierarchy Problem

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- New physics with masses around 1 TeV (e.g. SUSY) can cancel loop contributions by introducing new particles, e.g. top partner



# New Physics Scenarios

New physics which simultaneously addresses the hierarchy problem and dark matter predicts:

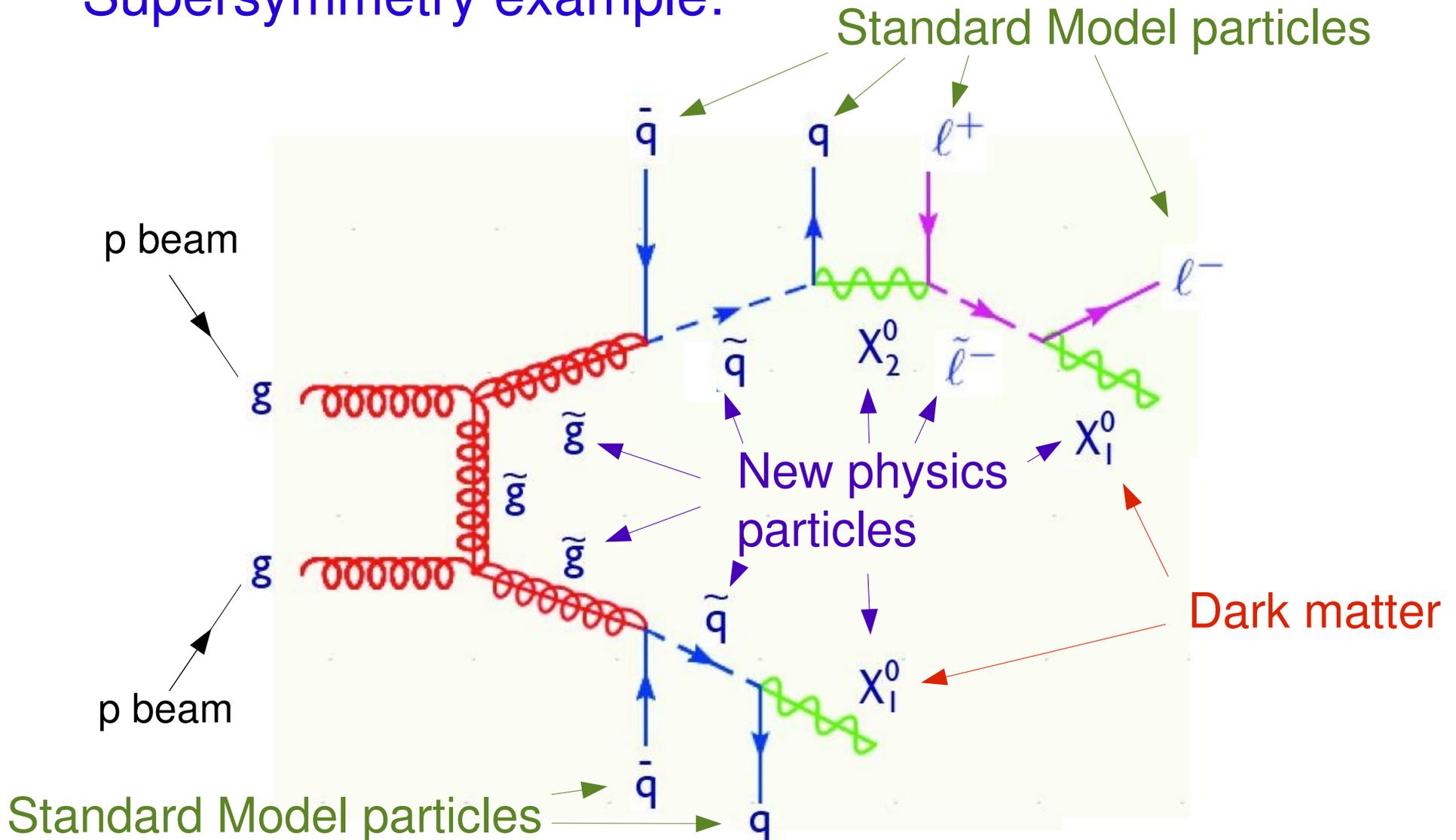
- A sector of new particles, probably some charged under QCD (at least top partners)
- At least some of the new particles charged under a new symmetry (SM particles uncharged)
- The lightest new particle electrically neutral color singlet
- New particle masses  $\sim 1$  TeV

# New Physics Scenarios

- Very general scenario for collider studies:
  - New physics particles pair produced, some with strong interaction cross sections
  - Decay to SM particles and dark matter
  - Typically cascade decays, if complex spectrum
- Examples:
  - Supersymmetry with R-parity
  - Little Higgs models with T-parity
  - Extra Dimensions with KK-parity

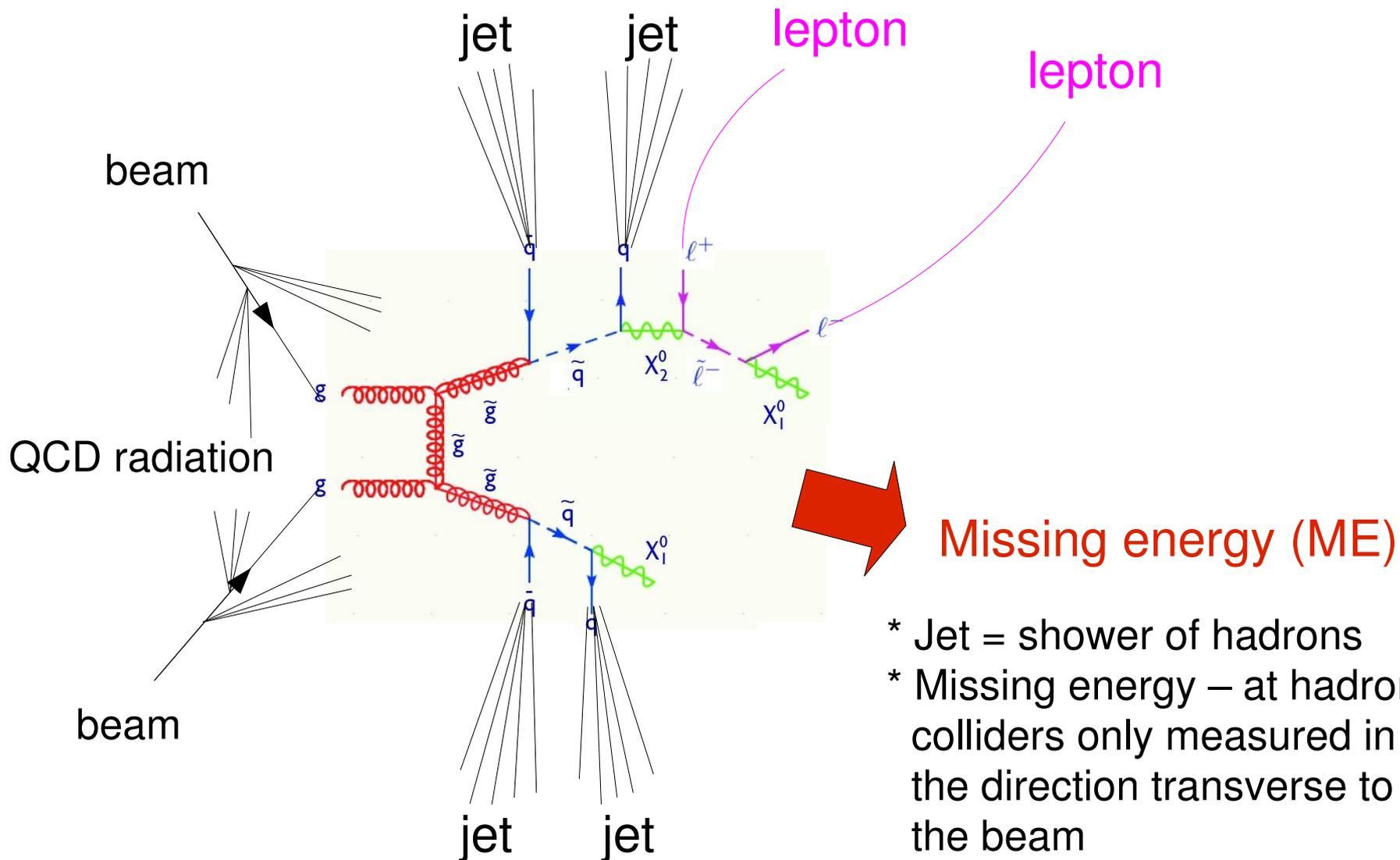
# LHC signatures

Supersymmetry example:



# LHC signatures

Supersymmetry example:



# How to simulate New Physics

Steltzer, Maltoni [1994, 2003], J.A. et al [arXiv:0706.2334]

- MadGraph/MadEvent – an automatized Matrix Element and event generator
- On-demand simulation of (almost) any process in the SM or beyond (at tree level)
- Web-based or local simulation
- Interfaces to parton showers and detector simulations – full simulation chain!
- Completely new, super hot: MadGraph 5

Over 1500 registered users!

Welcome to visit us at  
<http://madgraph.hep.uiuc.edu> !

# Difficulties with ME signatures

Double-sided missing energy (pair-production plus decay to invisible particles) one of the most complicated signatures at hadron colliders. In general:

- No clear resonance features over background
- No way to reconstruct complete event
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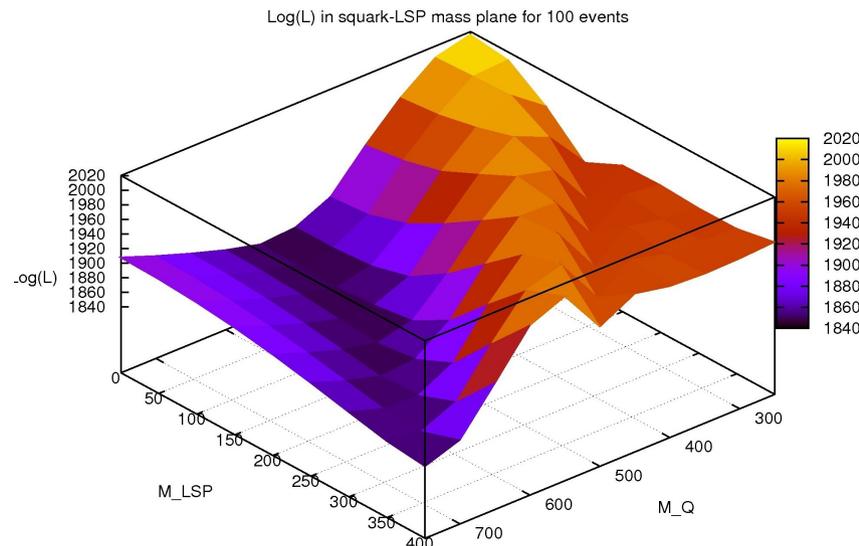
# Mass determination with ME

- Mass reconstruction in double-sided ME events a major challenge
- Easier the longer the decay chains (more mass constraints)
- Requires large event statistics
- How to use information from experimental events most efficiently?

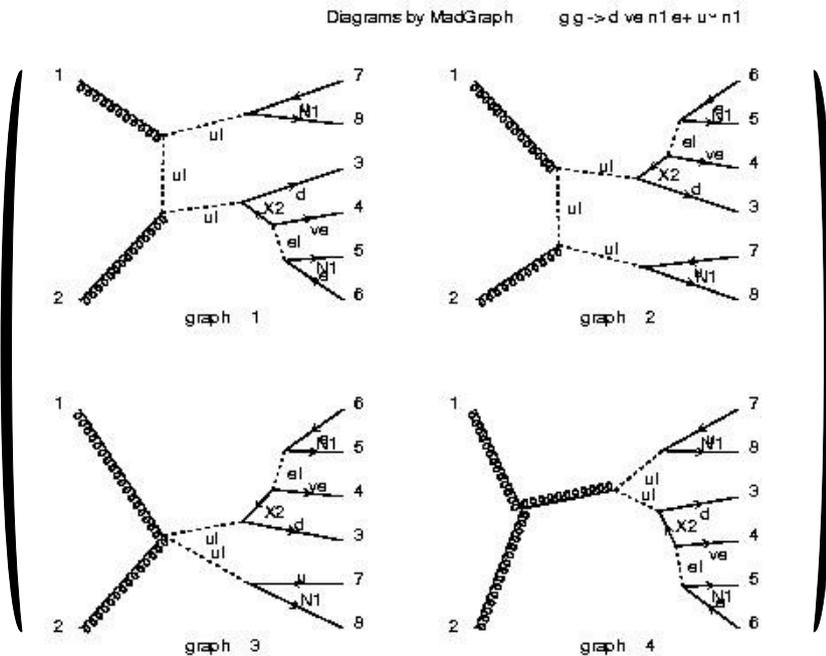
# The Matrix Element Method

[Canelli et al [DØ], 1999;  
Artoisenet et al, in preparation]

- Method to extract maximum information from all experimental events of given type
- Can be used for mass/parameter reconstruction, distinction between signal and background, distinction between models



# The Matrix Element Method



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Feynman diagrams by MadGraph for process

$$gg \rightarrow \bar{q}q \rightarrow q\chi_2^+ \bar{q}\chi_1^0$$

$$\chi_2^+ \rightarrow \nu\tilde{l} \rightarrow \nu l^+ \chi_1^0$$

- The matrix element for a process encodes all information about the model: Masses, spins, couplings, structure of interactions
- Usually used to simulate the process and generate events/kinematical distributions

# The Matrix Element Method

- Invert this idea: Calculate the matrix element using 4-vectors of experimental event  
→ measure of probability that event was generated by this matrix element
- Combine information from many events in likelihood  
→ can distinguish properties of the events

$$P(\boldsymbol{x}, \alpha) =$$

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$$|M_\alpha|^2(\boldsymbol{x})$$

Squared  
matrix  
element

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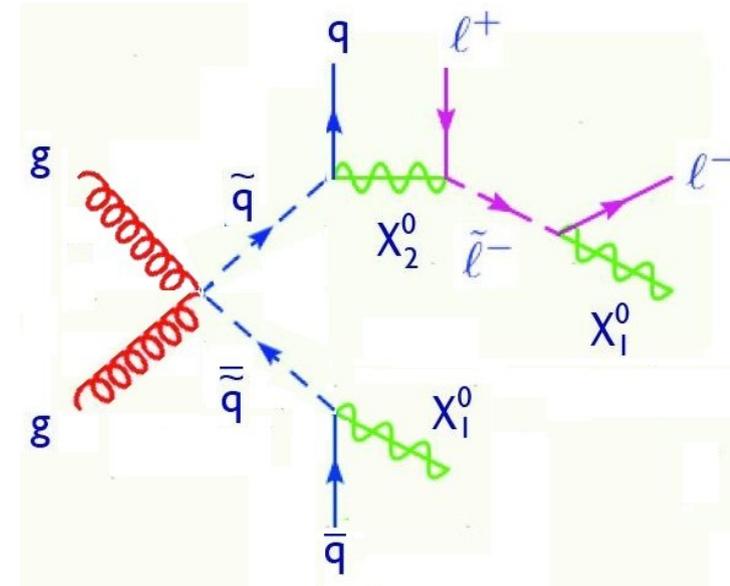
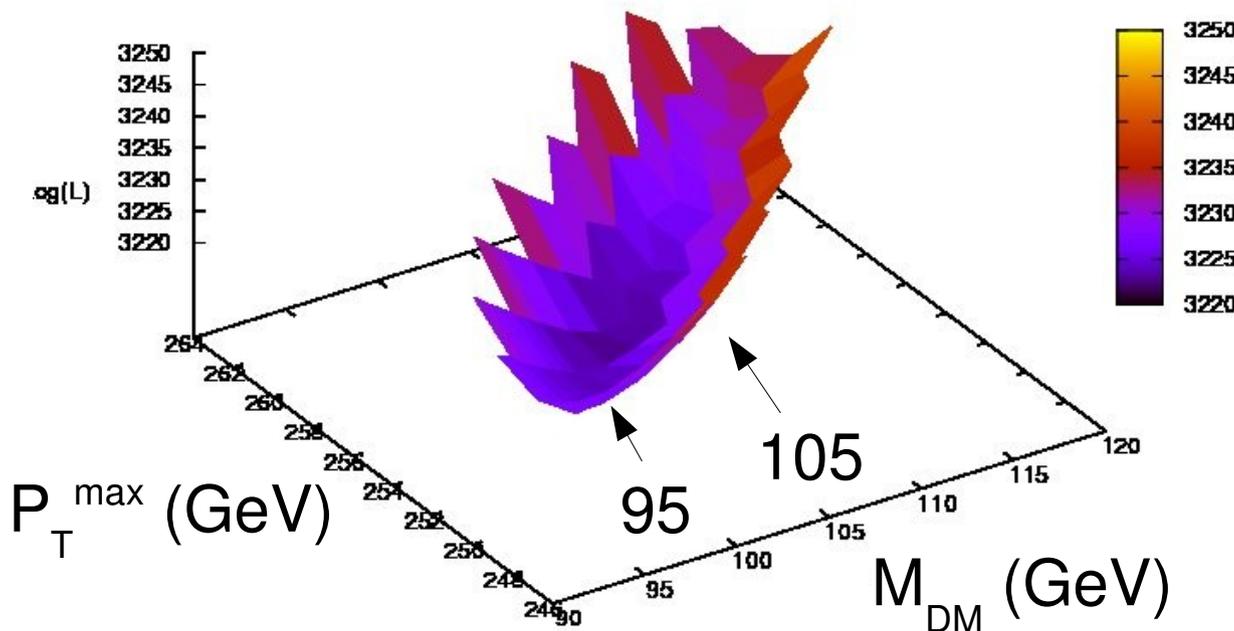
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| Prob<br>for event<br>$\mathbf{x}$ given $\alpha$ | Normalization | Phase<br>space<br>integral | Squared<br>matrix<br>element | Transfer<br>function |
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# The Matrix Element Method

[JA, Freitas, Mattelaer, in progress]

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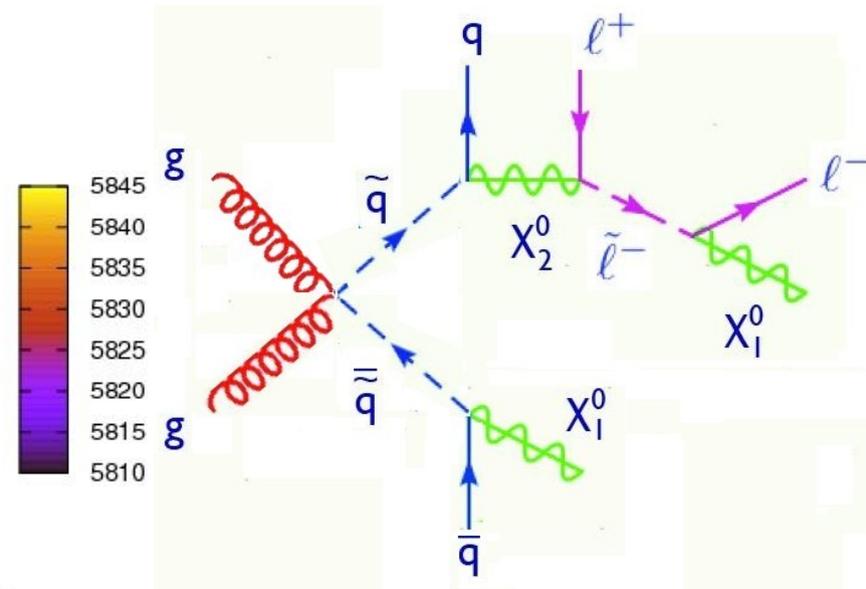
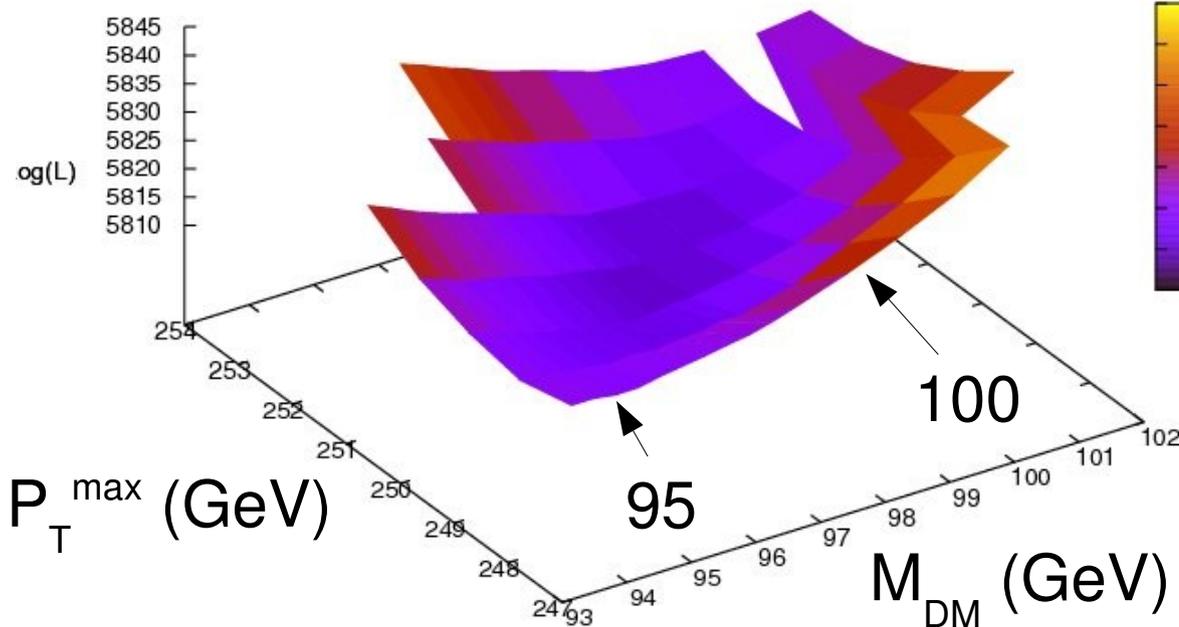


$\sim 100$  clean events  
 $\rightarrow \Delta M_{\text{LSP}} \sim 10\%$

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-Log(L) for 200 events



~ 200 clean events  
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arXiv:0910.2522 & in progress]

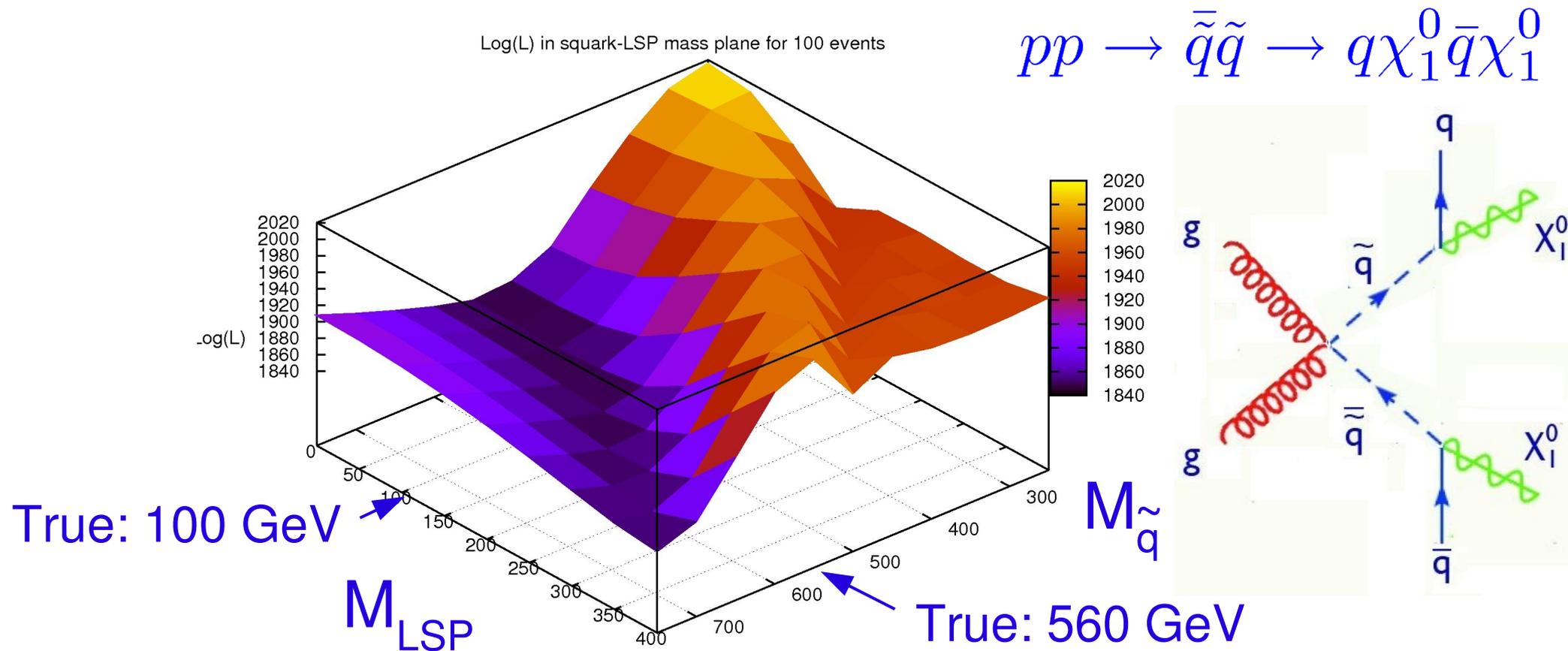
- Most difficult scenario:

Pair production of particles decaying to only jets and dark matter

- Ex:  $pp \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q} \rightarrow q\chi_1^0\bar{q}\chi_1^0$
- No leptons (which are easier to measure than jets)
- No long decay chain with multiple mass constraints
- Impossible (or very difficult) to measure DM mass using endpoint analysis (need at least three masses in decay chains)
- Matrix element method might be only possibility!

# The Matrix Element Method

-Log(L) for 100 events (parton level only, no backgrounds)

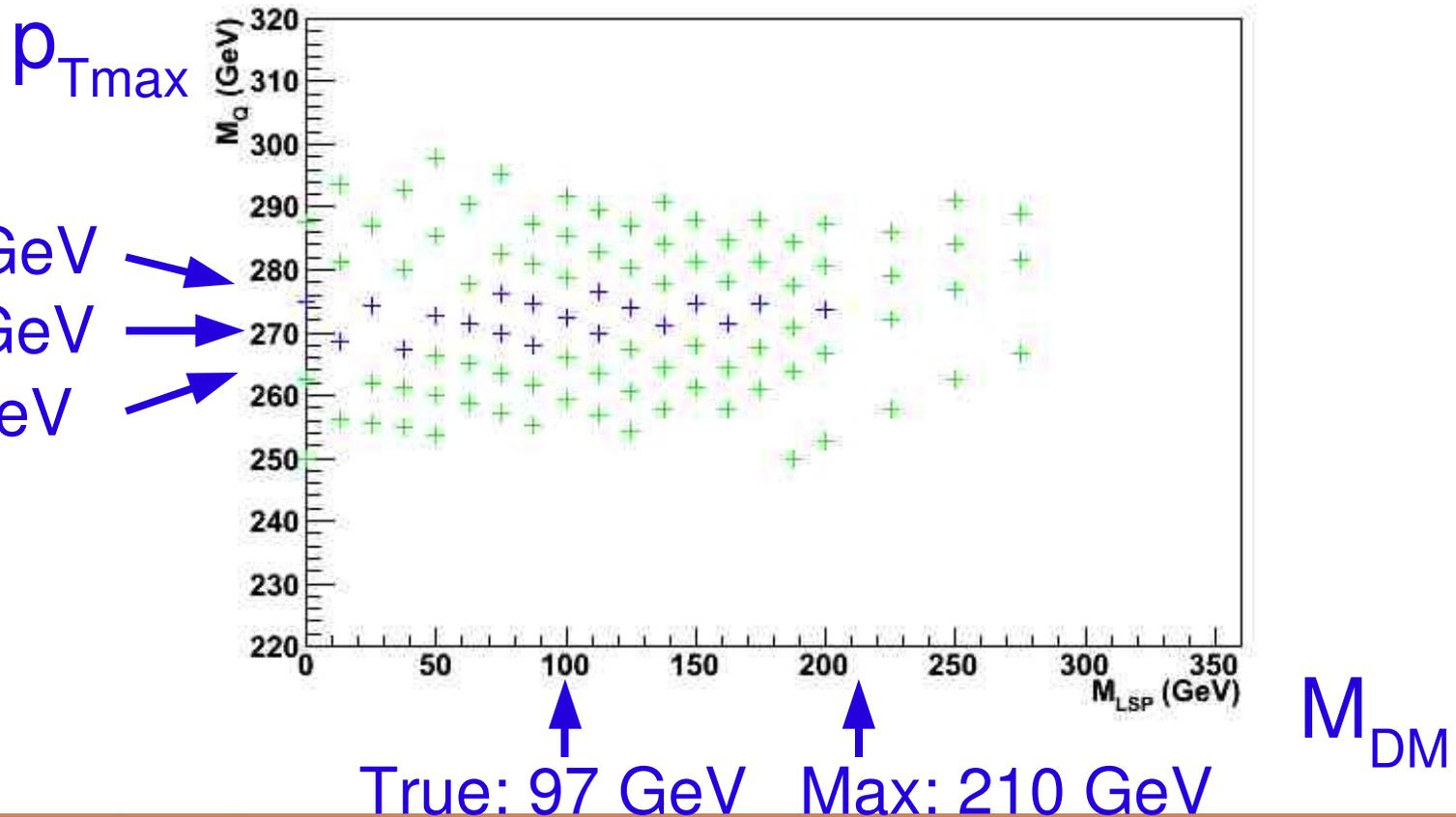


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-Log(L) for 700 events – blue below min+4

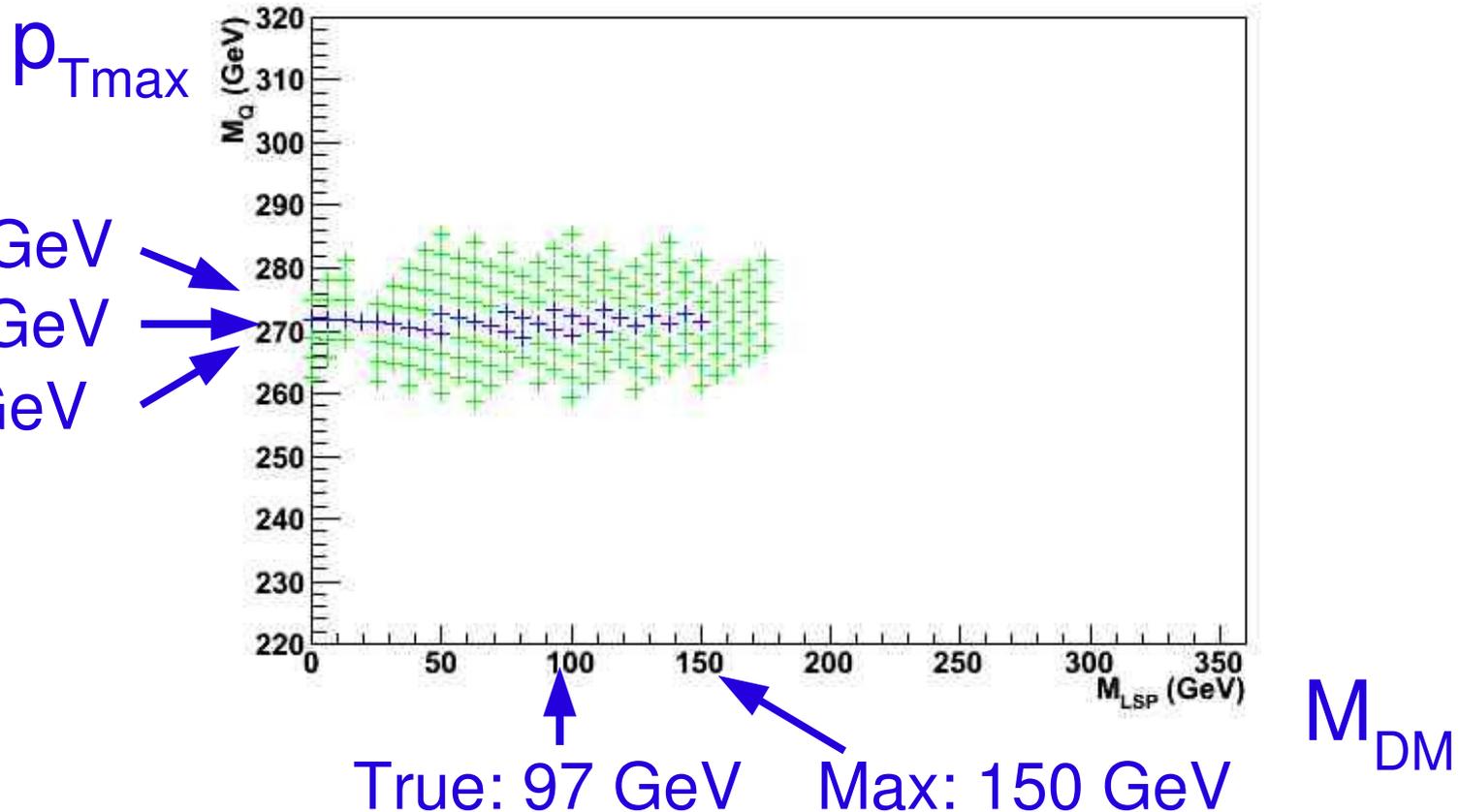


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-Log(L) for 3000 events – blue below min+4

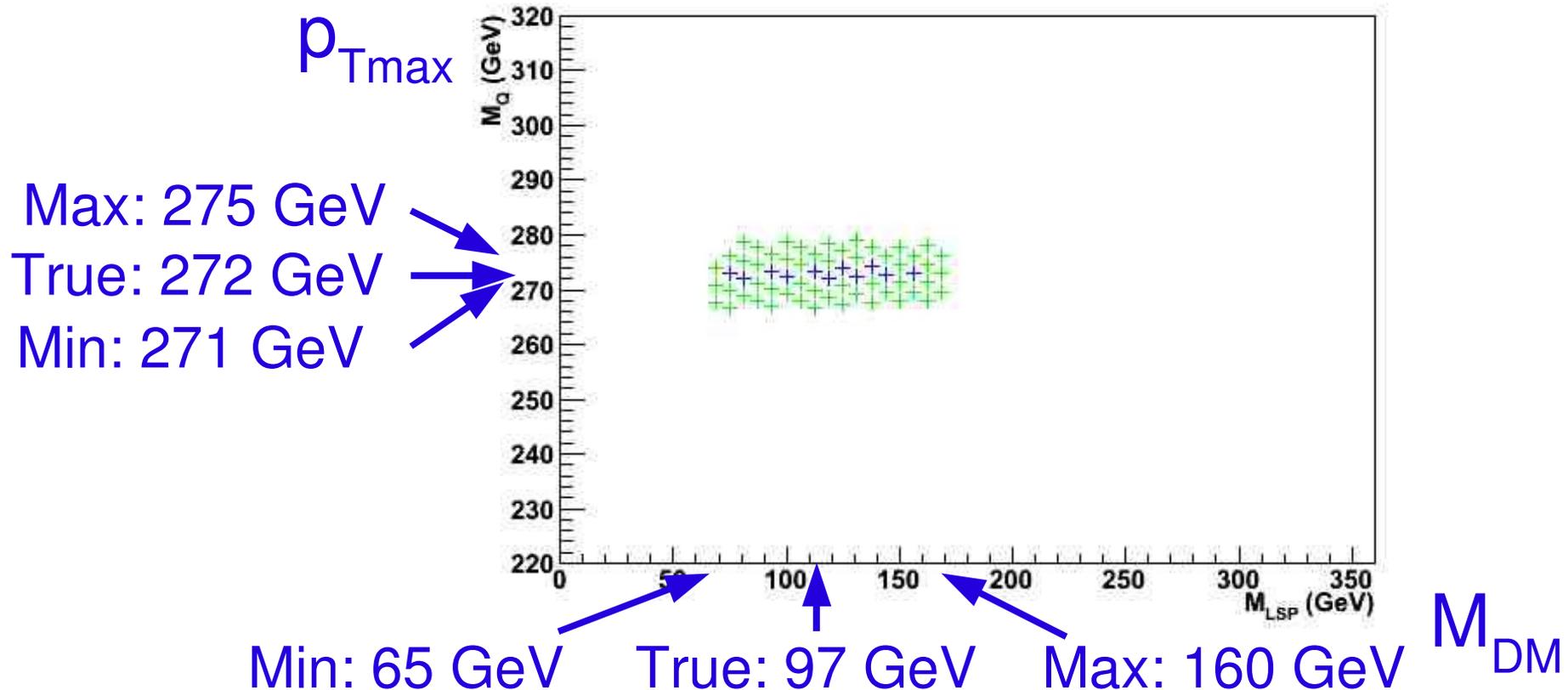


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-Log(L) for 7500 events – blue below min+4



# Case study: WIMPless dark matter

Remember:

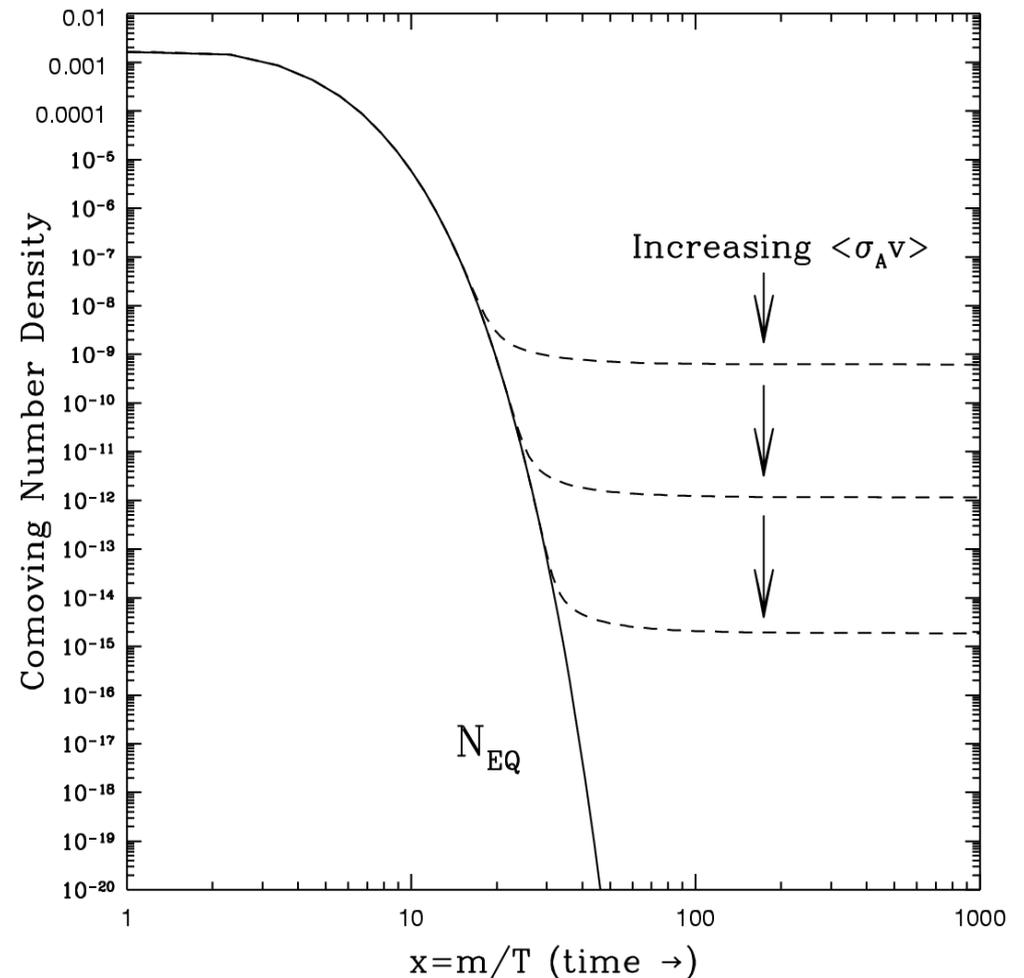
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But does it have to be WIMPs?

# Gauge mediated SUSY breaking

- Gauge mediated supersymmetry breaking gives soft masses to SUSY partners according to

$$m_S^2 = -\frac{g^4 N_{mess}}{4\pi^4} \left( \frac{F}{M_{mess}} \right)^2$$

- So,

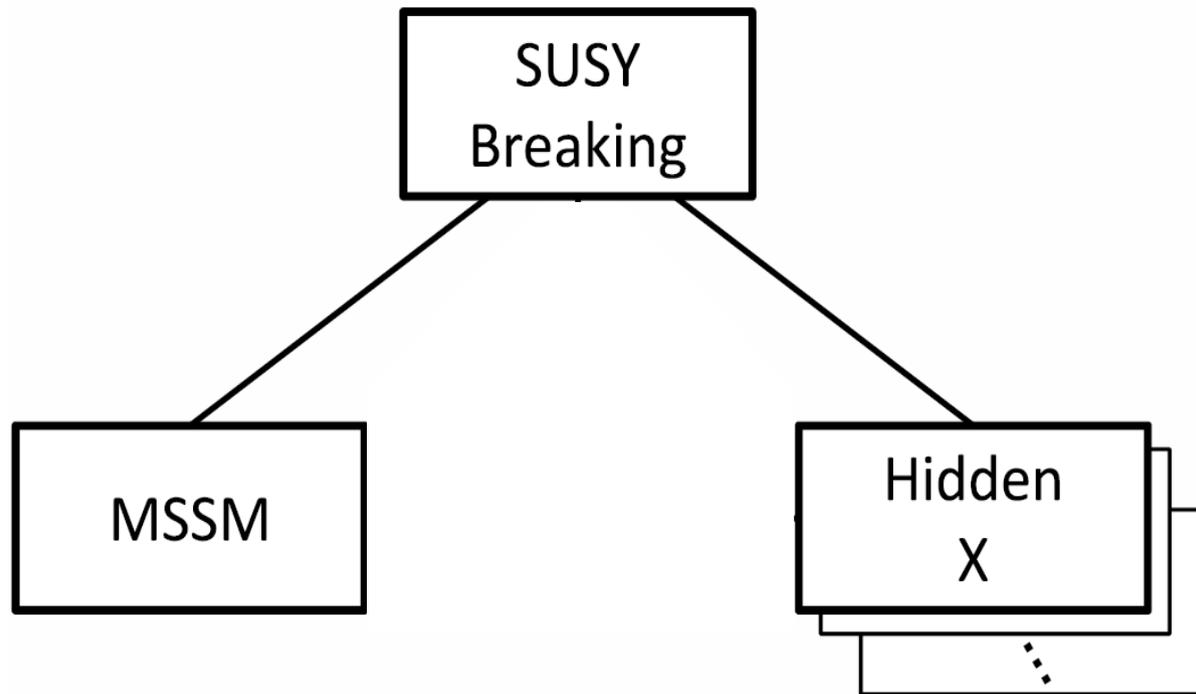
$$\frac{m_S}{g^2} \sim \frac{F}{M_{mess}} = \text{const}$$

- However, GMSB has light gravitino, so no stable WIMP dark matter candidate

# The WIMPlless miracle

[Feng, Kumar (2008)]

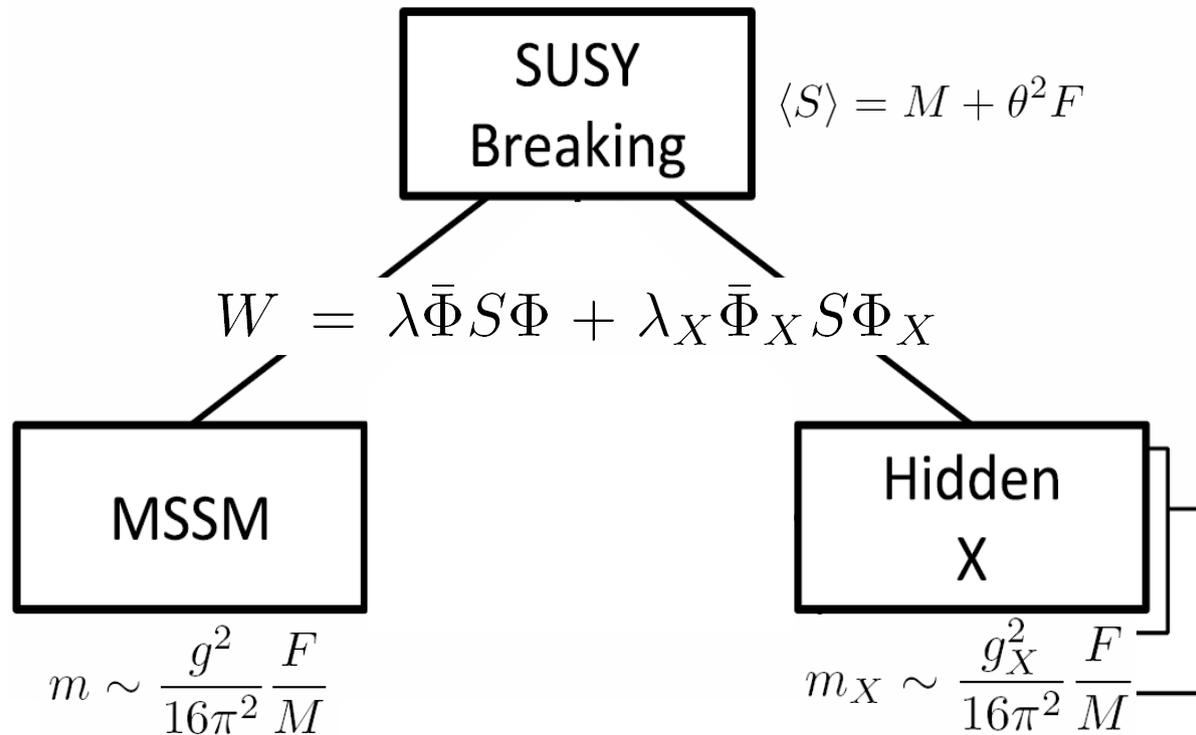
What if there are other, hidden, sectors?



Each sector has its own particle content,  
gauge groups, couplings, ...

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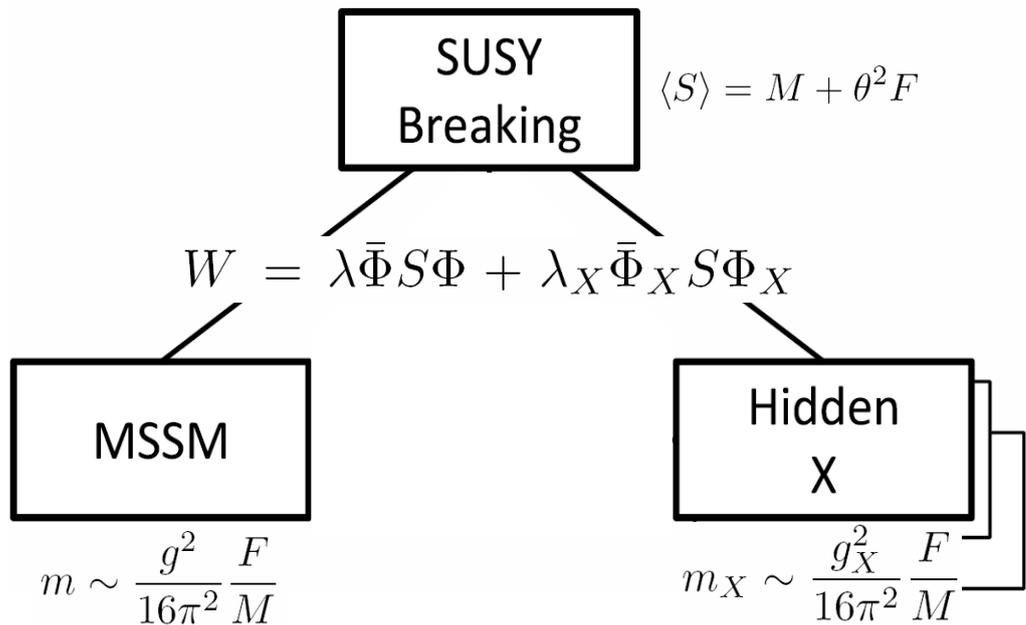
If Supersymmetry is broken by the same mechanism in all sectors:



- Superpartner masses depend on gauge couplings, with the same ratio in all sectors

# The WIMPlless miracle

- Particle Physics



Superpartner masses depend on gauge couplings

- Cosmology

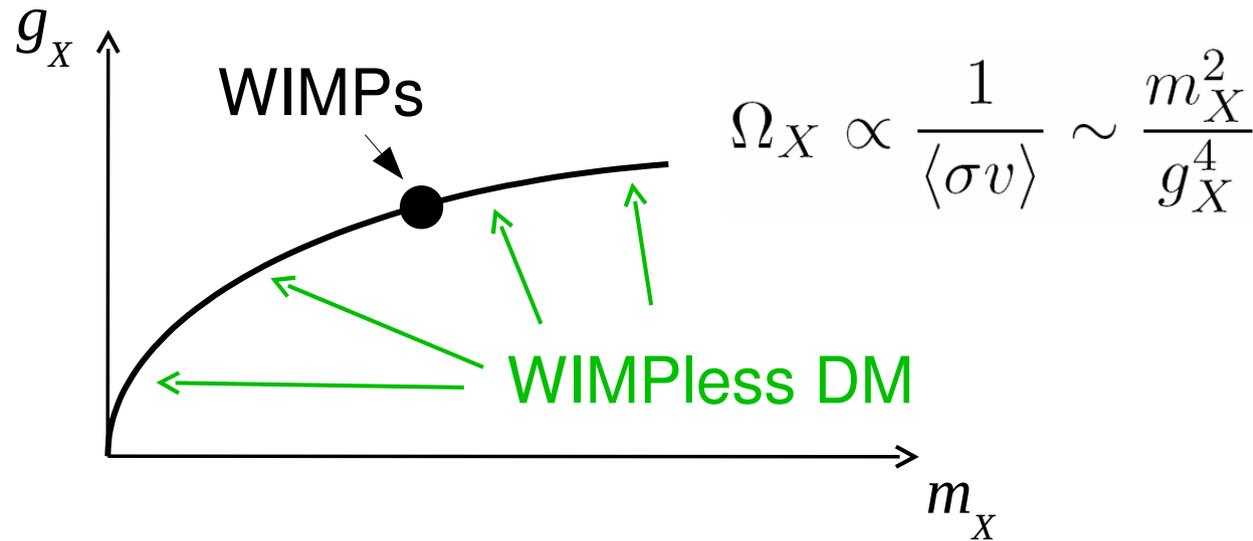
$$\frac{m_X}{g_X^2} \sim \frac{m}{g^2} \sim \frac{F}{16\pi^2 M}$$

$\Omega$  depends only on the SUSY breaking sector:

$$\Omega_X \sim \Omega_{\text{WIMP}} \sim \Omega_{\text{DM}}$$

Hidden sector lightest particle automatically has the right relic density!

# The WIMPless miracle



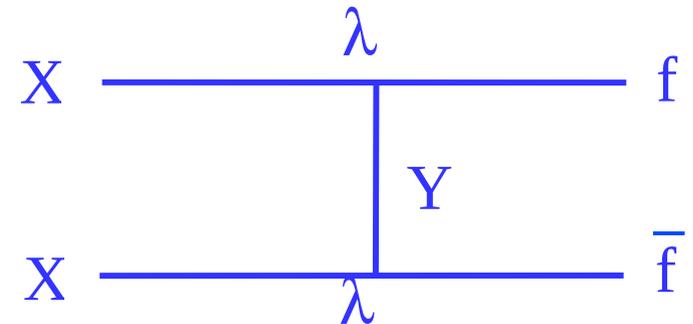
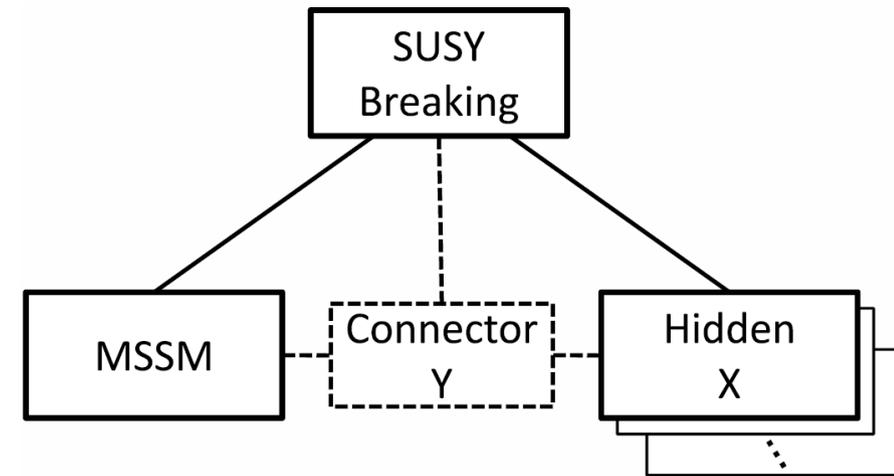
No longer necessarily WIMPs, but allow for a range of masses and couplings

The “WIMPless miracle”!

# Detecting WIMPlless DM

[Feng, Kumar, Strigari (2008)]

- DM sector has no SM gauge charges, but might interact by connector  $Y$  with both SM and hidden charge
- $Y$  particles will mediate both annihilation to, and scattering by, SM particles
- Natural solution for connector: Heavy quarks decaying to top or bottom quarks and dark matter



(Possible solution to the DAMA puzzle and Cogent results, avoids detection by other experiments)

# Dark matter production

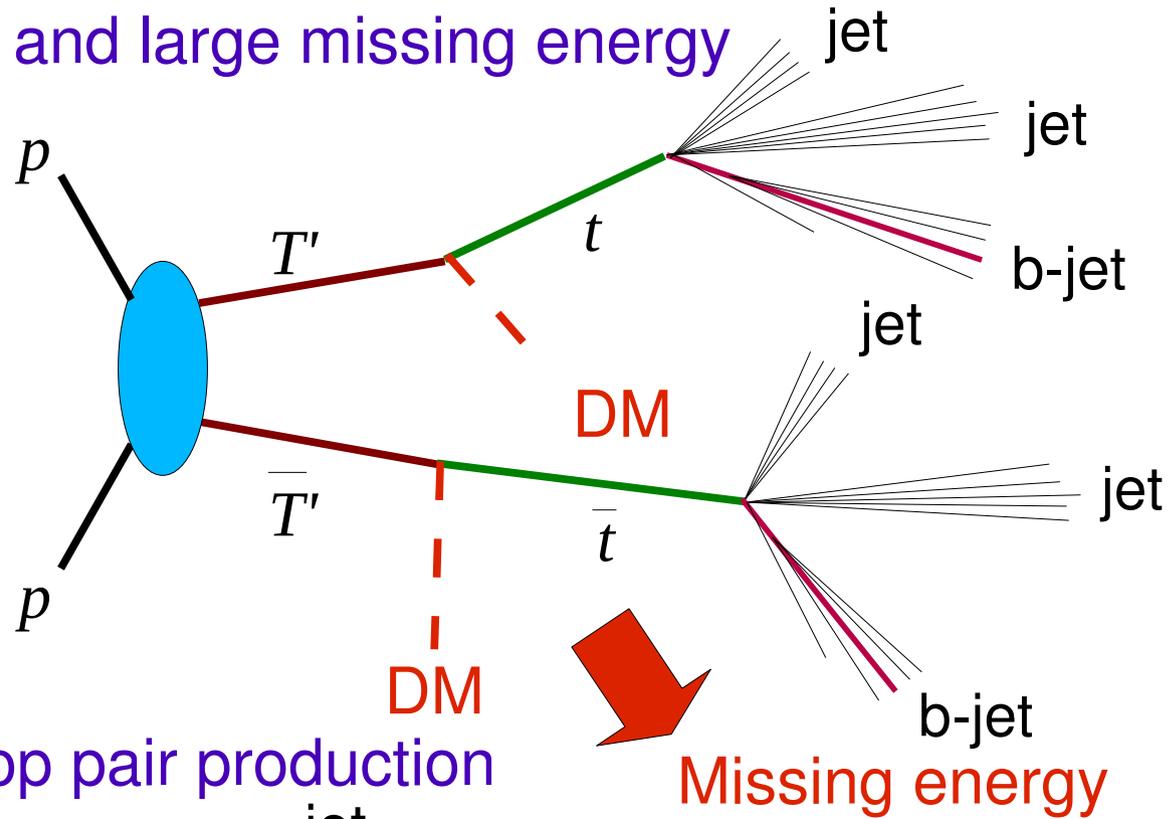
[J.A., Feng, Kumar, Su, arXiv:1002.3366]

## Scenario:

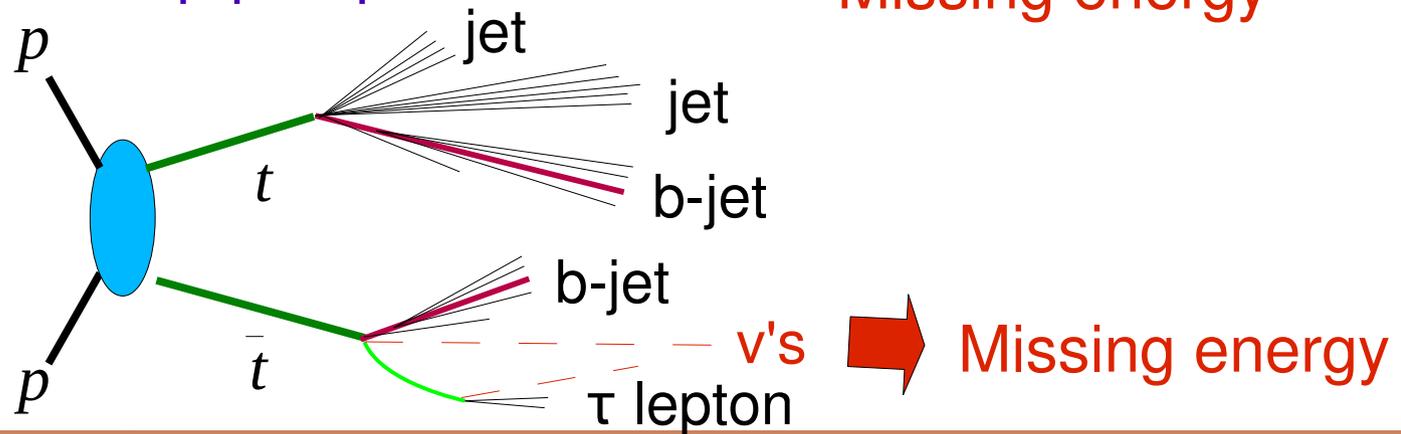
- 4<sup>th</sup> generation quarks, with QCD+Electroweak and “hidden” quantum numbers
  - Pair produced at the Tevatron or the LHC
  - Decay to top / bottom quarks and dark matter
- Have to obey constraints from precision measurements and unitarity
  - Masses  $\lesssim 600$  GeV, small mass difference T'-B'
- Low mass, large cross section: One of the most promising DM scenarios for Tevatron and early LHC!

# Dark matter production

Signal: Multiple jets and large missing energy

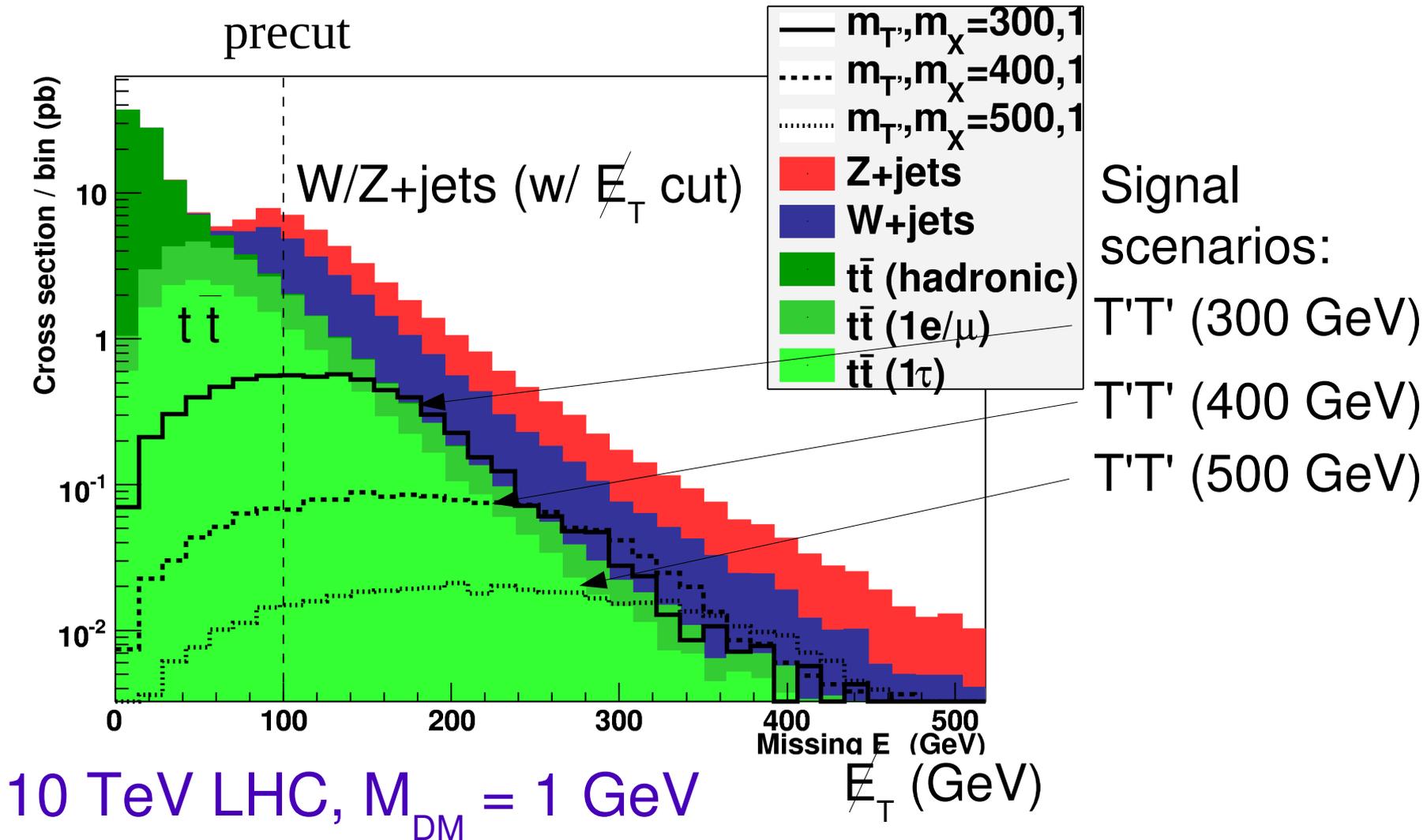


Main background: top pair production



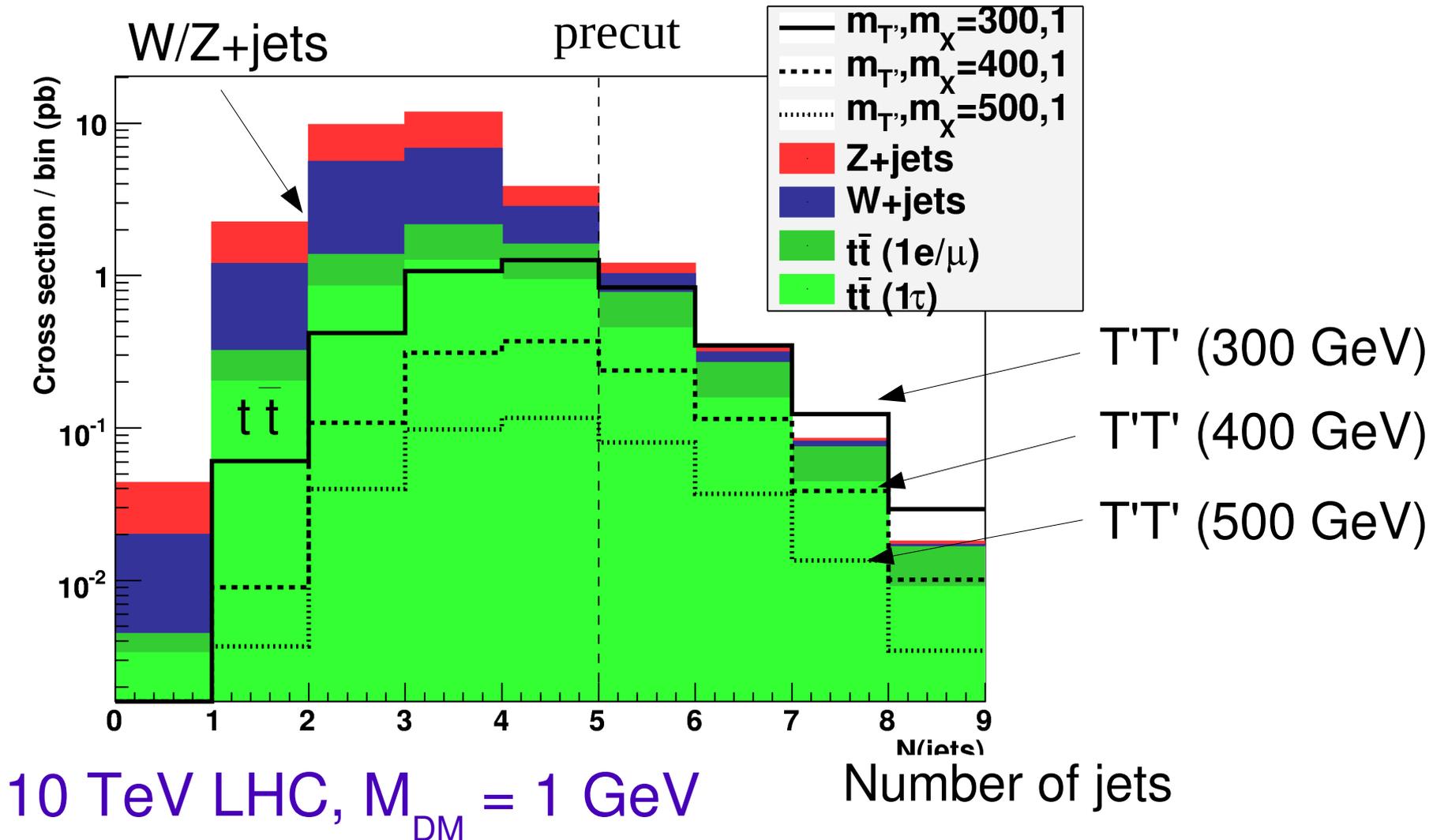
# How to dig out the signal?

After 0-lepton cut



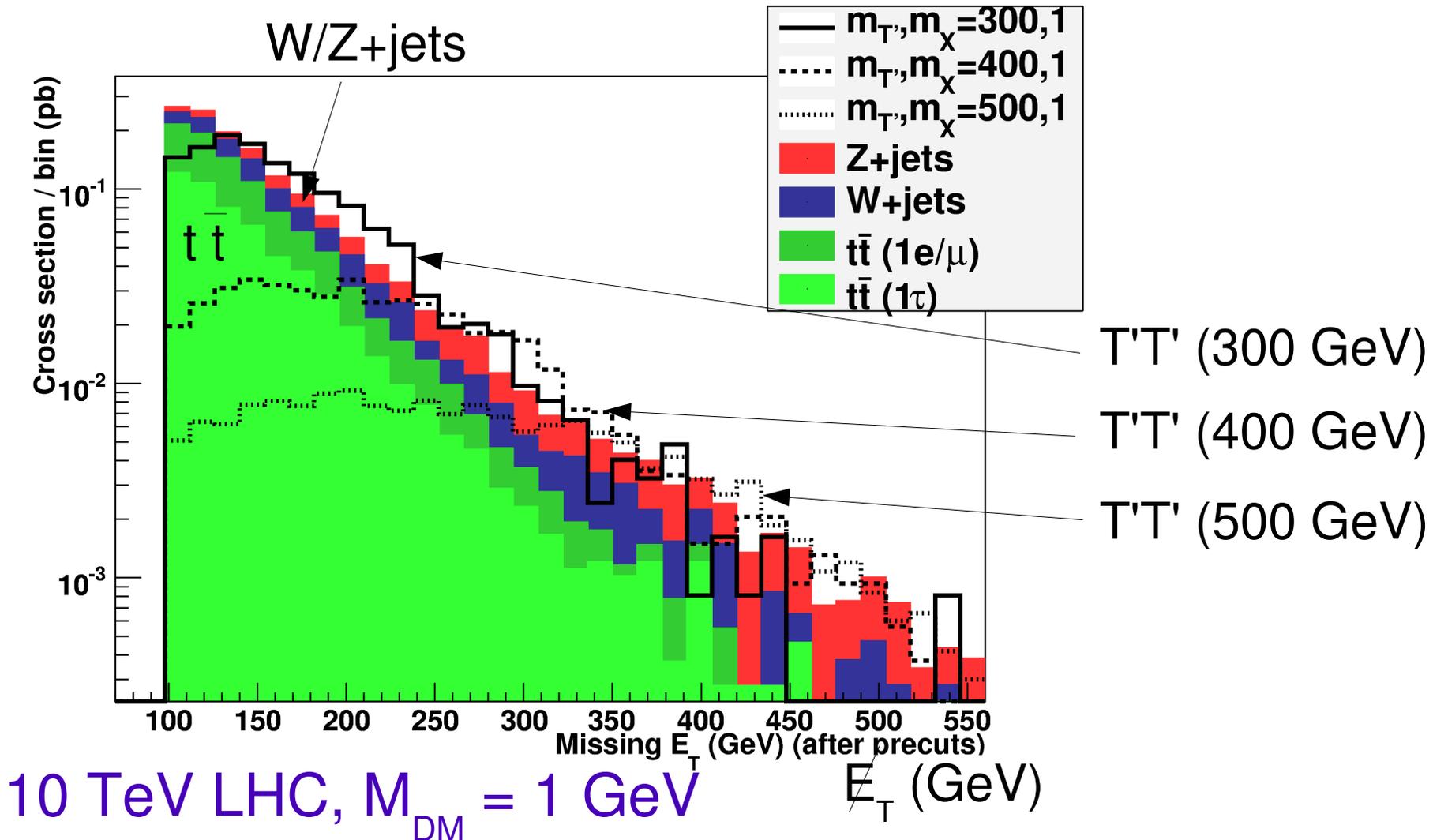
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After 0-lepton + missing ET cut



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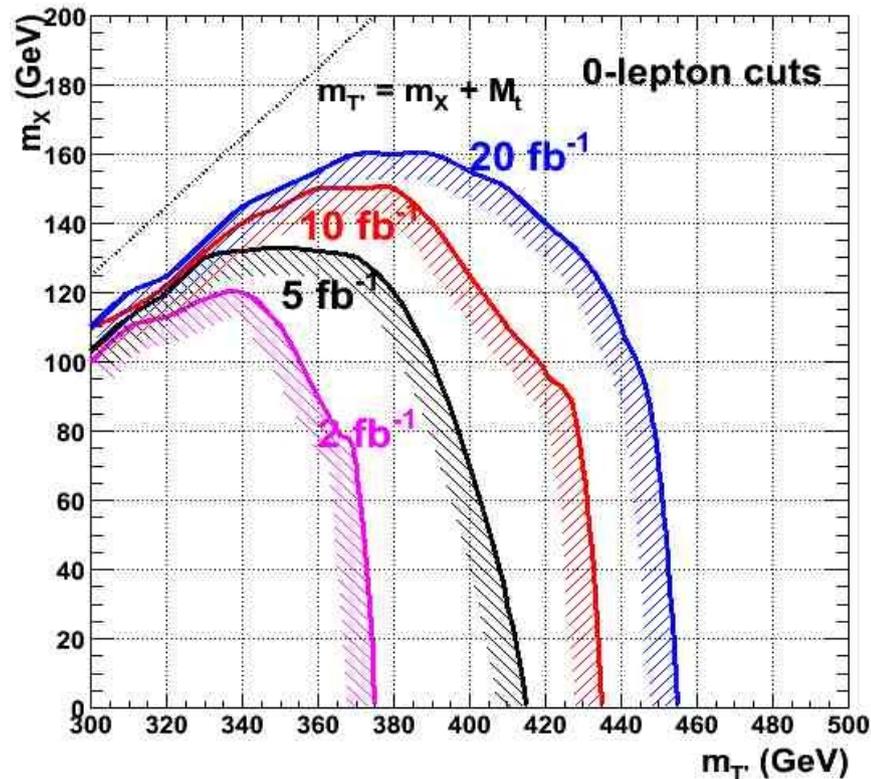
After all precuts



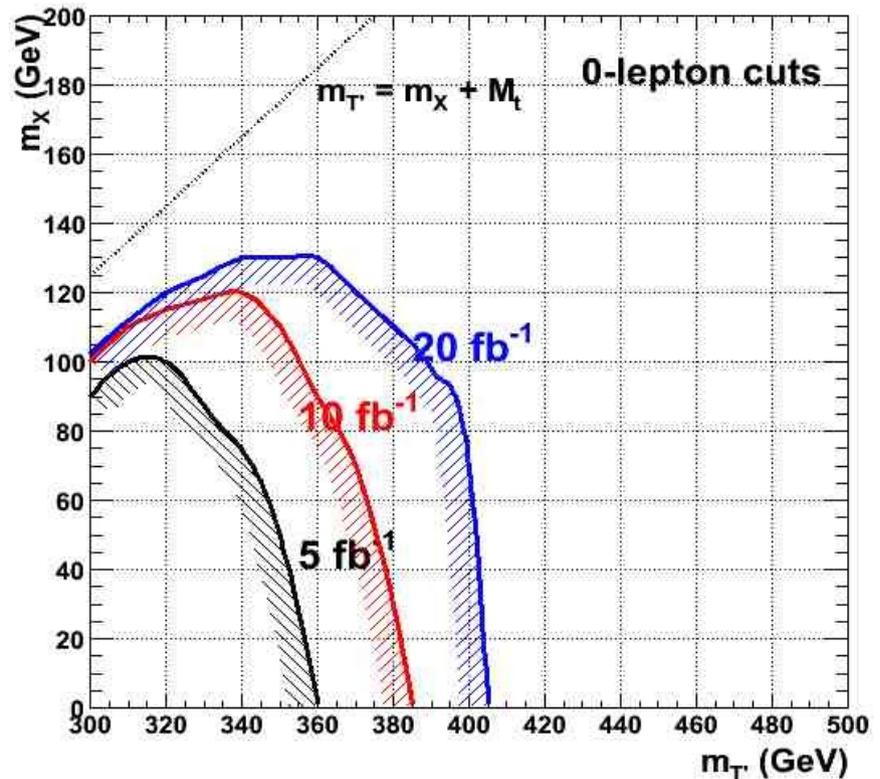
# Production at the Tevatron

Might be discovered already at the Tevatron!

Exclusion for  $T' \bar{T}' \rightarrow t X \bar{t} X$  at the Tevatron



Discovery of  $T' \bar{T}' \rightarrow t X \bar{t} X$  at the Tevatron

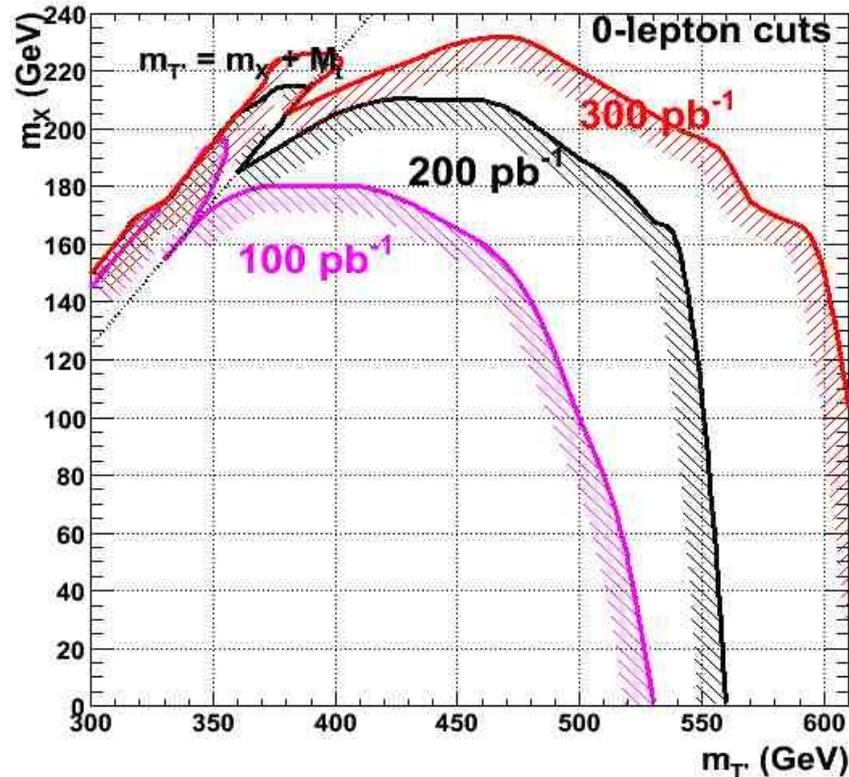


2  $\sigma$  exclusion and 3  $\sigma$  discovery reach for the Tevatron,  
with 2/5/10/20  $\text{fb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity

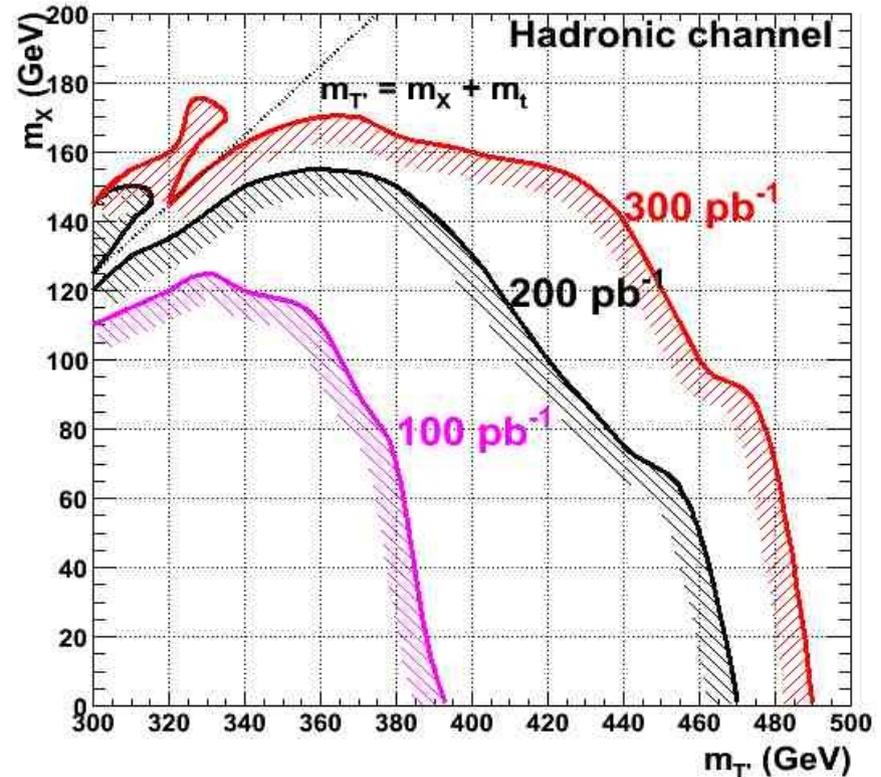
# Production at early LHC

Full relevant parameter space covered by early LHC!

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2  $\sigma$  exclusion and 3  $\sigma$  production reach for 10 TeV LHC,  
with 100/200/300 pb<sup>-1</sup> integrated luminosity  
(corresponding to  $\sim$  300/600/900 pb<sup>-1</sup> with 7 TeV CM energy)

# Summary

- Dark matter well established by observations
- If dark matter is related to the Electroweak symmetry breaking and the hierarchy problem
  - Possible to produce at colliders, in particular LHC
  - Inferred from missing energy signals
- Mass reconstruction for invisible particle a challenge
  - Powerful methods (e.g. the “Matrix Element method”) under study
- Light “WIMPless” dark matter one of most promising for Tevatron and early LHC
  - Full parameter space covered (exclusion or discovery) within 2 years!

# Backup slides

# Cuts for Tevatron

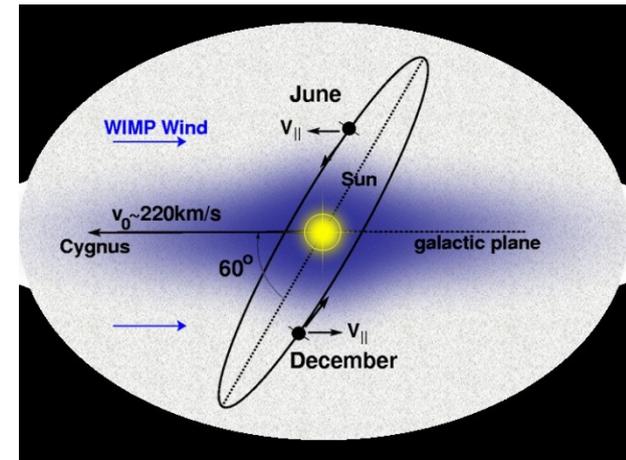
- Precuts (0-lepton channel):
  - No lepton or tau-tagged jet with  $p_T > 2 \text{ GeV}$
  - $\text{MET} > 100$
  - At least 5 jets with  $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$
  - Cuts on  $\Delta\phi(\text{jet}, \text{MET})$  for 2 hardest jets
- Final cuts:
  - $\text{MET} > 150, 200, 250 \text{ GeV}$
  - $\text{HT} > 250, 300, 350 \text{ GeV}$
  - $N(\text{jets}) > 6$ , and combinations of these cuts

# Cuts for LHC

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  - No lepton or tau-tagged jet with  $p_T > 2$  GeV
  - MET > 100
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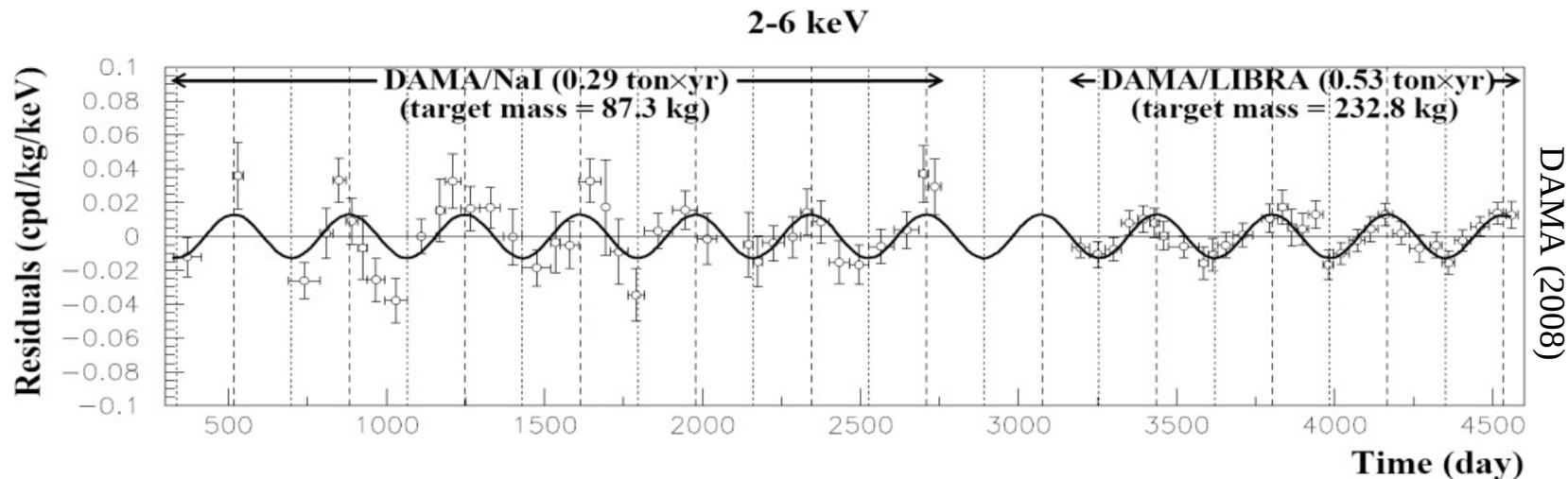
# DAMA

Collision rate of dark matter with a detector should change as Earth's velocity adds constructively/destructively with the Sun's



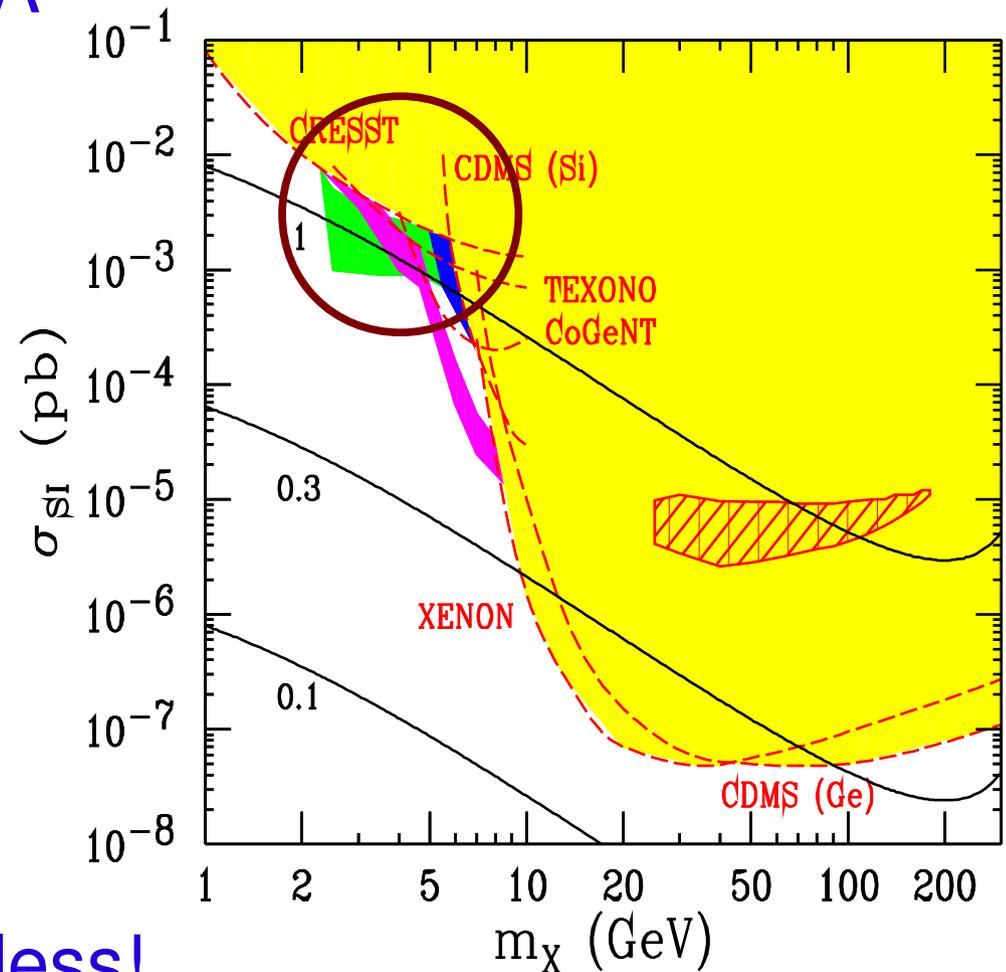
Drukier, Freese, Spergel (1986)

DAMA:  $8\sigma$  signal with  $T \sim 1$  year, max  $\sim$  June 2



# DAMA

- Most of the allowed DAMA region has been ruled out by other direct detection experiments
- One corner still possible: Very small DM masses ( $\sim 1$  GeV) “invisible” for other experiments
- Awkward for WIMPS, but no problem for WIMPless!



# MadGraph 5

- Completely new matrix element generation implementation
- Alpha version 0.3.0 already out – capabilities corresponding to MG4 + more and faster/more efficient
- Allows for
  - Output in any language / for any event simulator
  - Effective theories, non-renormalizable multiparticle vertices
  - No restrictions in number of diagrams or decay lengths
  - Implementation of recursion relations/efficient simulation of multiparton amplitudes
  - Next-to-leading order matrix element generation
  - Much more – the sky (and our imagination) is the limit!