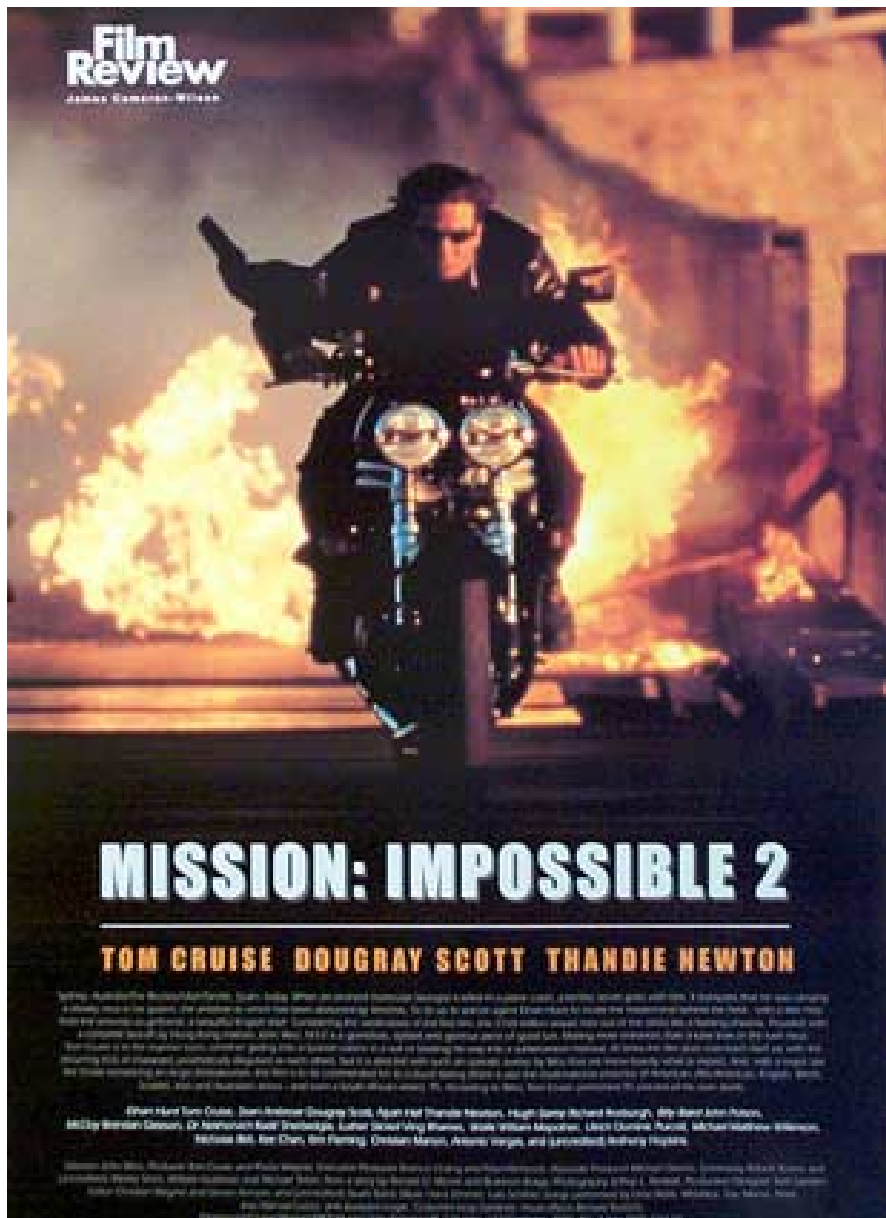


EWSB beyond the Standard Model: Supersymmetry?

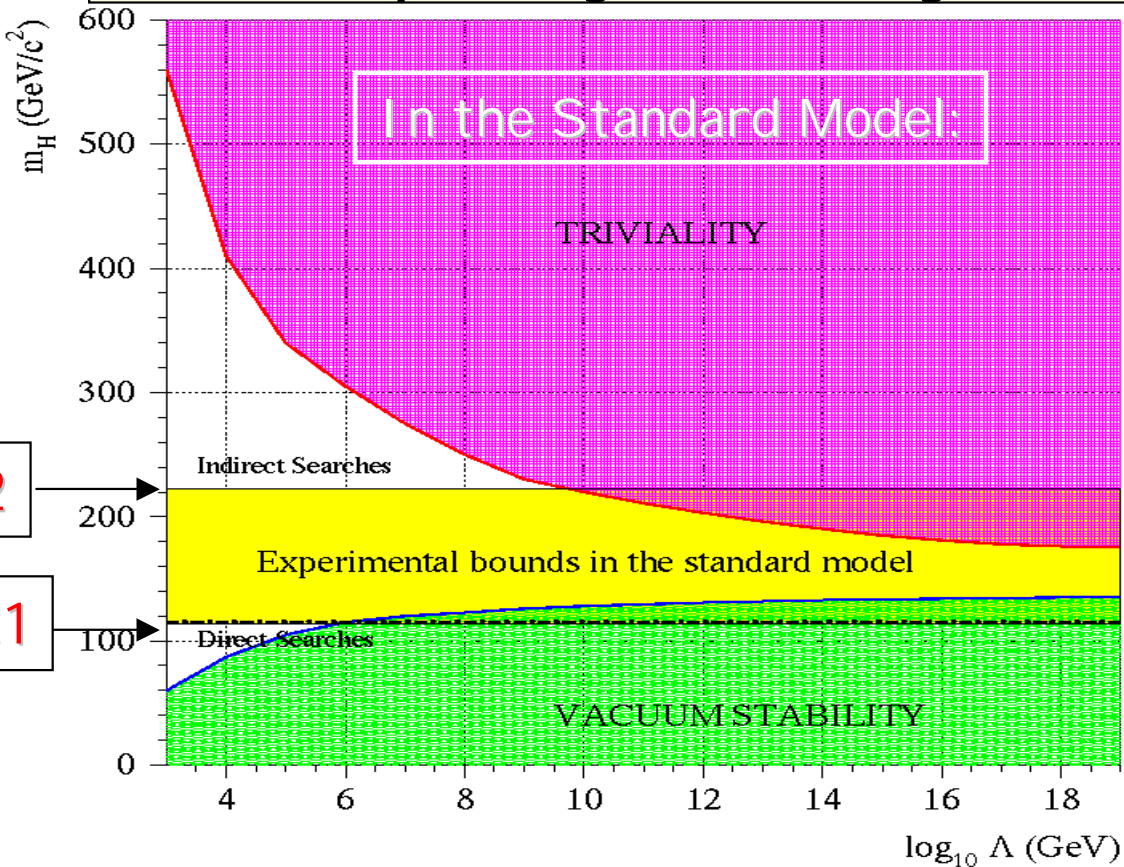


Third Lecture Outline:

1. Why we do believe in S.M.?
2. Why we do not believe in S.M.?
3. Why we believe in Supersymmetry?
4. Phenomenology
Particle content, models, parameters,
Higgs sector, ...
5. Some searches at LEP
Higgs bosons, charginos, neutralinos, sleptons...
6. LSP mass limit, mSUGRA constraints

EWSB beyond the SM

Supersymmetry?



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Given the successes of the standard model predictions,
why would we need to go beyond

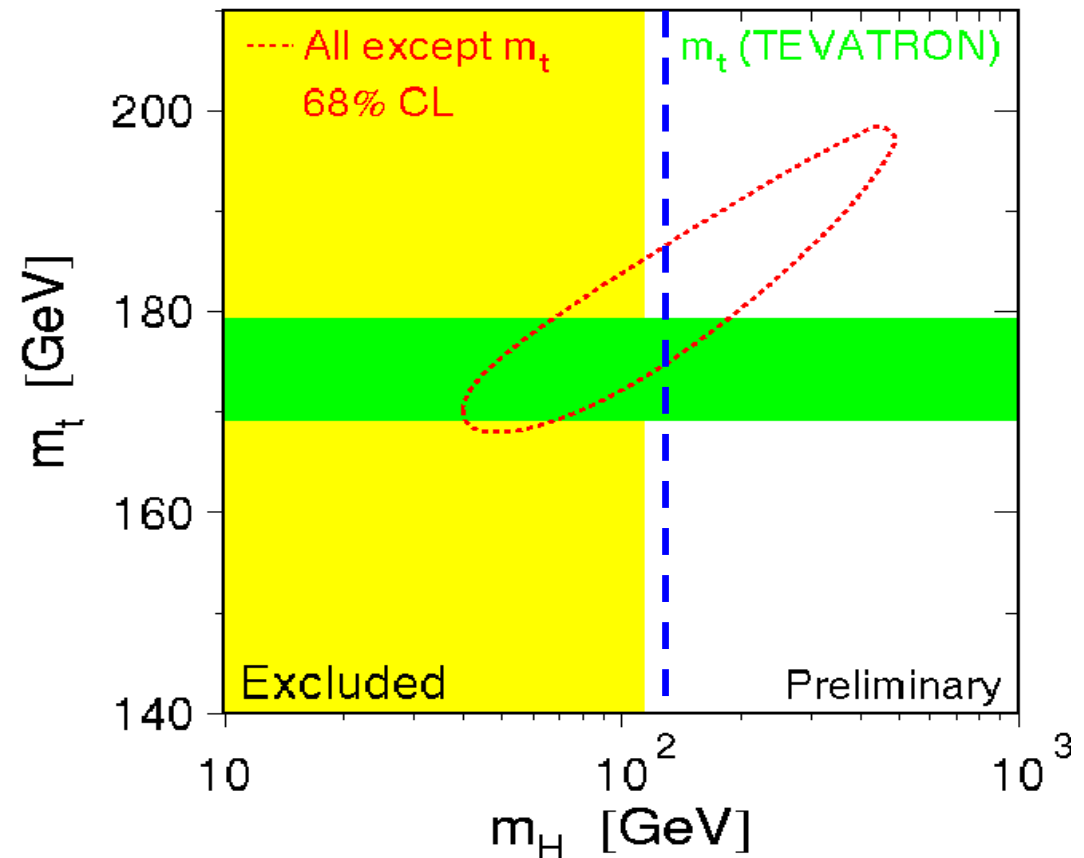
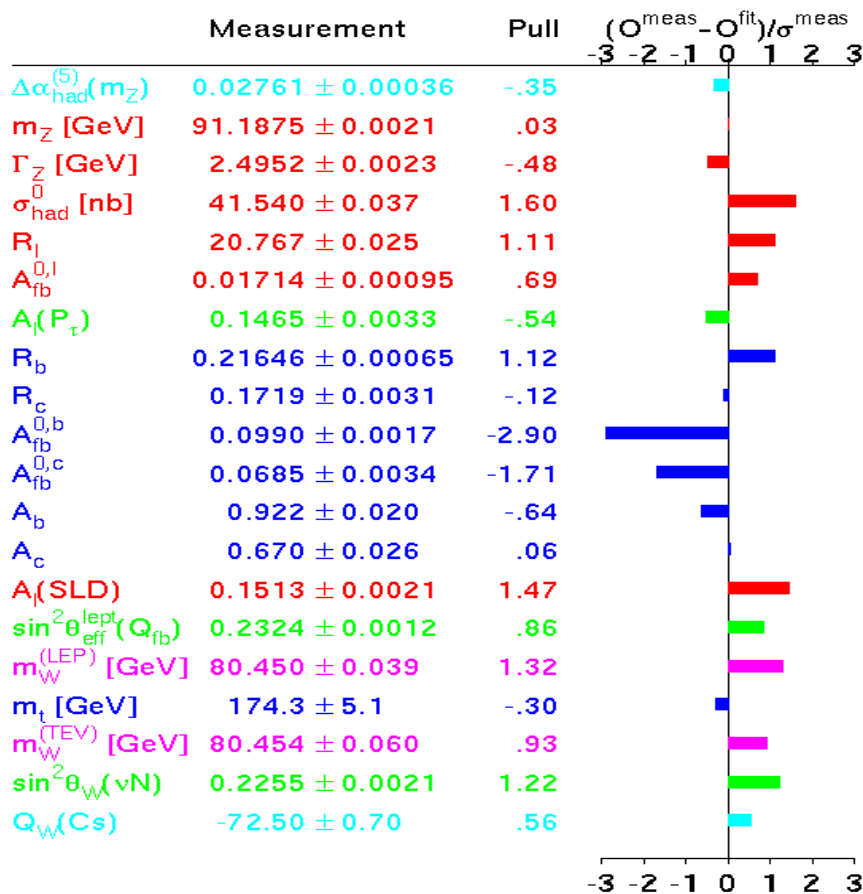
and invent **a new symmetry** between

Bosons and Fermions ?

Why we do believe in the Standard Model

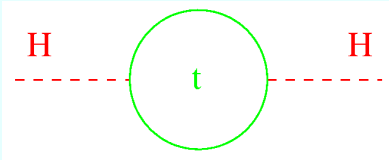
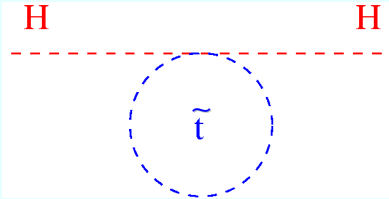
- Standard Model Internal Consistency tested at the 0.1% level
- No compelling evidence for any deviation beyond the expected statistical scatter

- EWSB Predictions of the Standard Model in agreement with direct measurements. The presence of a (rather light) Higgs boson seems to be required.



Why we do not believe in the Standard Model

A few conceptual problems related to EWSB, i.e., to the Higgs sector:

Problems in the Standard Model	Solved in Supersymmetry?
<p>UGLY</p> <p>Ad-hoc piece added to the model; Only scalar particle in the spectrum. Hierarchy problem: $250 \text{ GeV} \ll 10^{19} \text{ GeV}$</p>	<p>NATURAL</p> <p>Scalars natural partners of fermions; Higgs bosons (h, H, A, H^\pm) natural partners of charginos and neutralinos. Hierarchy problem ?</p>
<p>UNSTABLE</p> <p>Corrections to the Higgs boson mass not only infinite, but large in addition. (Naturalness problem) $\delta m_H^2 \approx \Lambda^2 \gg m_H^2$</p> 	<p>STABILIZED</p> <p>Fermion and boson contributions to m_H cancel in exact supersymmetry: (Naturalness recovered) $\delta m_H^2 \approx o(\alpha/\pi) \times (m_B^2 - m_F^2)$</p> 
<p>INACCEPTABLE?</p> <p>$\Delta V = -\lambda v^4$: contribution to the cosmological constant 52 orders of magnitude too large.</p>	<p>POSSIBLY ACCEPTABLE?</p> <p>Fermion and boson contributions to vacuum energy cancel in exact supersymmetry...</p>

Needs **gravity quantization** (i.e., a coupling of Quantum Field Theory and General Relativity), apparently **only possible in Supersymmetry**...

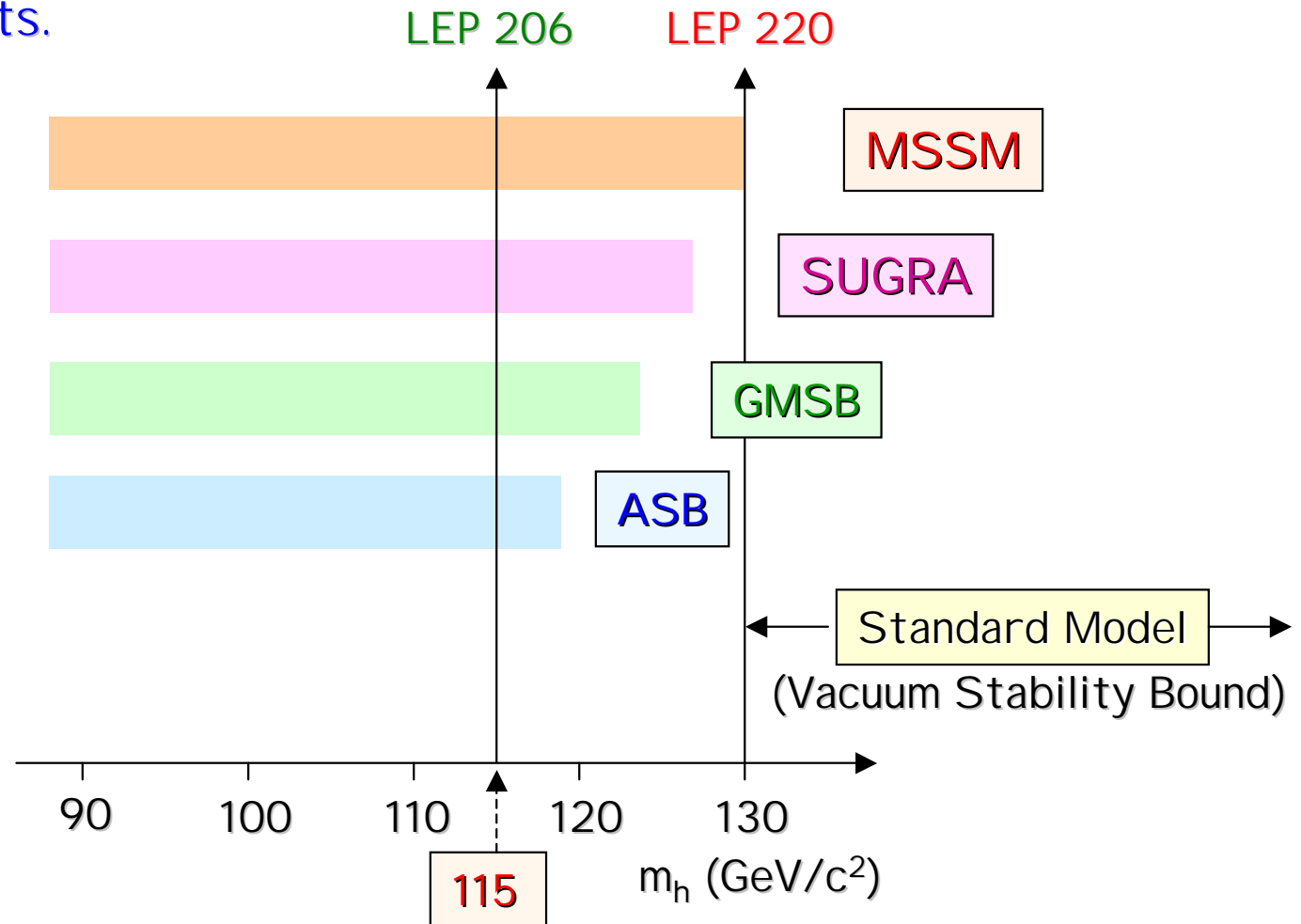
Why we do believe in Supersymmetry: Experimental Hints (I)

□ A light Higgs boson is favoured by precision measurements.

□ A 115 GeV/c² Higgs boson is hinted at by direct searches.

□ Just in the range predicted by SUSY

□ Too light for the SM without New Physics below 10⁶ GeV...



Why we do believe in Supersymmetry: Experimental Hints (II)

- New Physics at a scale below 10^6 GeV would modify the predictions for the EW precision measurements, with radiative corrections parameterized according to $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \epsilon_3$ (or S,T,U)

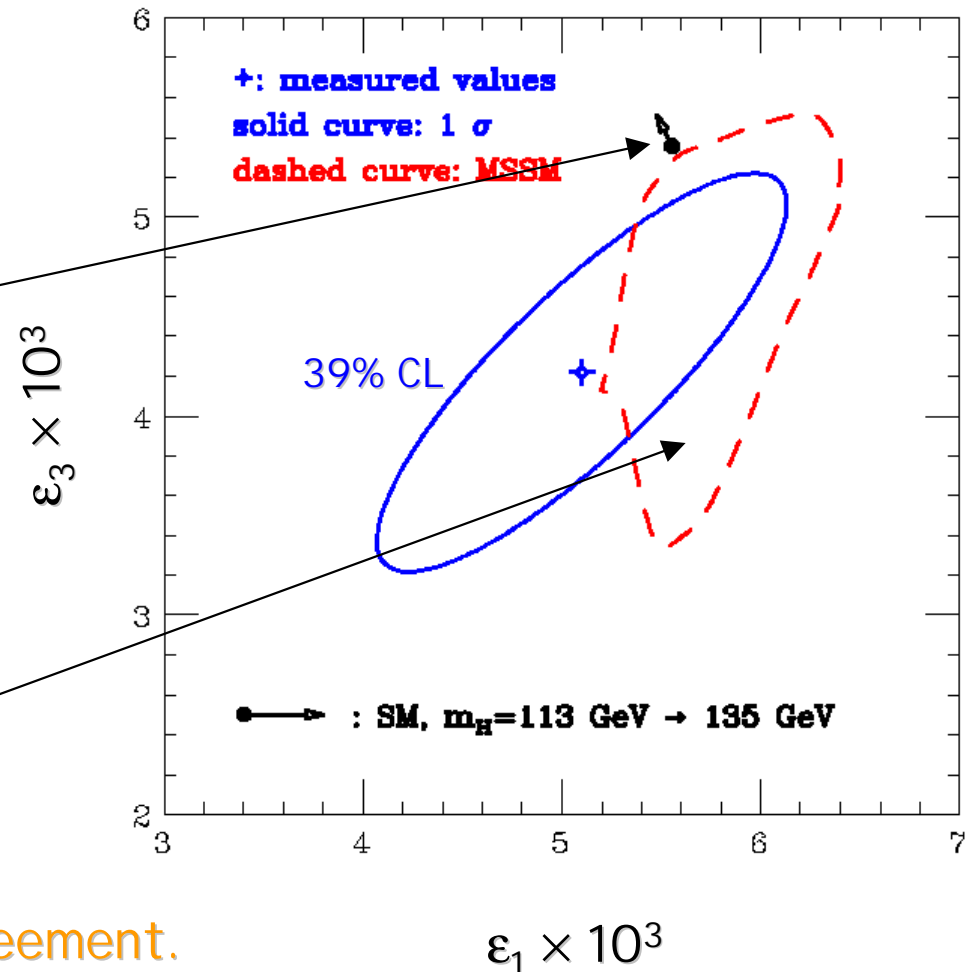
- In the Standard Model, for instance

$$\epsilon_1 = \Delta\rho \approx \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \frac{m_{\text{top}}^2}{m_Z^2} - \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \log \frac{m_H^2}{m_Z^2}$$

$$\epsilon_3 \approx + \frac{\alpha}{12\pi} \log \frac{m_H^2}{m_Z^2}$$

- Supersymmetry does not change much these predictions (better agreement with measured values ?)

- Model building with any other New Physics has not yet allowed such an agreement.



Why we do believe in Supersymmetry: Experimental Hints (III)

□ Grand-Unified Theories (GUT), favoured, e.g., by non zero ν masses, predict the 3 coupling constants (QED, Weak, QCD) to unify at GUT scale.

□ This unification does not happen in the Standard Model (+GUT), but does in Supersymmetry with a 1 TeV scale.

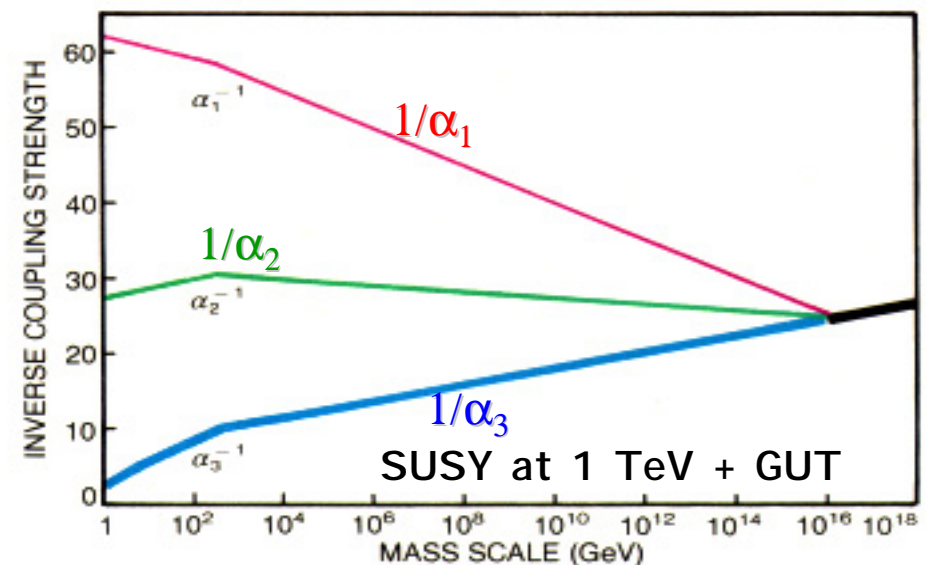
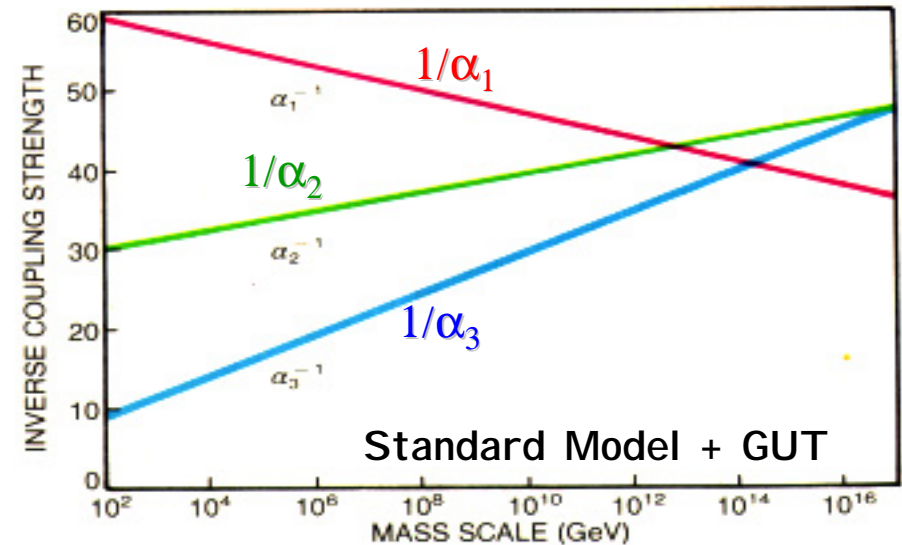
□ Starting from the measured values of $\alpha_{\text{QED}}(m_Z)$ and $\sin^2\theta_W$, one finds:

$$\alpha_S(m_Z) = 0.073 \pm 0.002 \text{ (Standard GUT)}$$

$$\alpha_S(m_Z) = 0.129 \pm 0.010 \text{ (SUSY GUT)}$$

□ To be compared to the experimental value (mostly constrained by LEP):

$$\alpha_S(m_Z) = 0.118 \pm 0.003$$

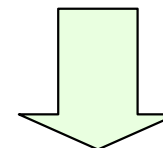


Why we do believe in Supersymmetry: Experimental Hints (I V)

- ❑ Large scale structures in the Universe require the presence of cold dark matter (LSP, the Lightest Supersymmetric Particle ?)
- ❑ Half of the particles have already been discovered...

... BUT

- Supersymmetry can't be exact (e.g., $m_e \neq m_{\tilde{e}}$), thus needs to be broken.
- Supersymmetry is therefore a economy of principles. It is neither an economy of particles nor an economy of parameters.
Not the end of the story !



Extremely rich phenomenology

Phenomenology: Minimal Particle Content

□ Gauge / Gaugino Sector

Standard Bosons	Supersymmetric Partners
W^\pm (3) H^\pm (1)	Charginos (2 × 2) χ_1^\pm χ_2^\pm
γ (2) Z (3) h (1) H (1) A (1)	Neutralinos (4 × 2) χ_1^0 χ_2^0 χ_3^0 χ_4^0
g_i (8 × 2)	Gluinos \tilde{g}_i (8 × 2)

[Two Higgs doublets]

[All fermions]

And also ...

Graviton G	Gravitino \tilde{G}
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□ Particle / Sparticle Sector

Standard Particles	Supersymmetric Partners
Leptons (2) l	Sleptons (2 × 1) $\tilde{l}_{R,L}$
Neutrinos ν_l	Sneutrinos $\tilde{\nu}_l$
Quarks q	Squarks $\tilde{q}_{R,L}$

[All scalars]

Phenomenology: R-Parity conservation

$$R_P = (-1)^{3B+L+2S}$$

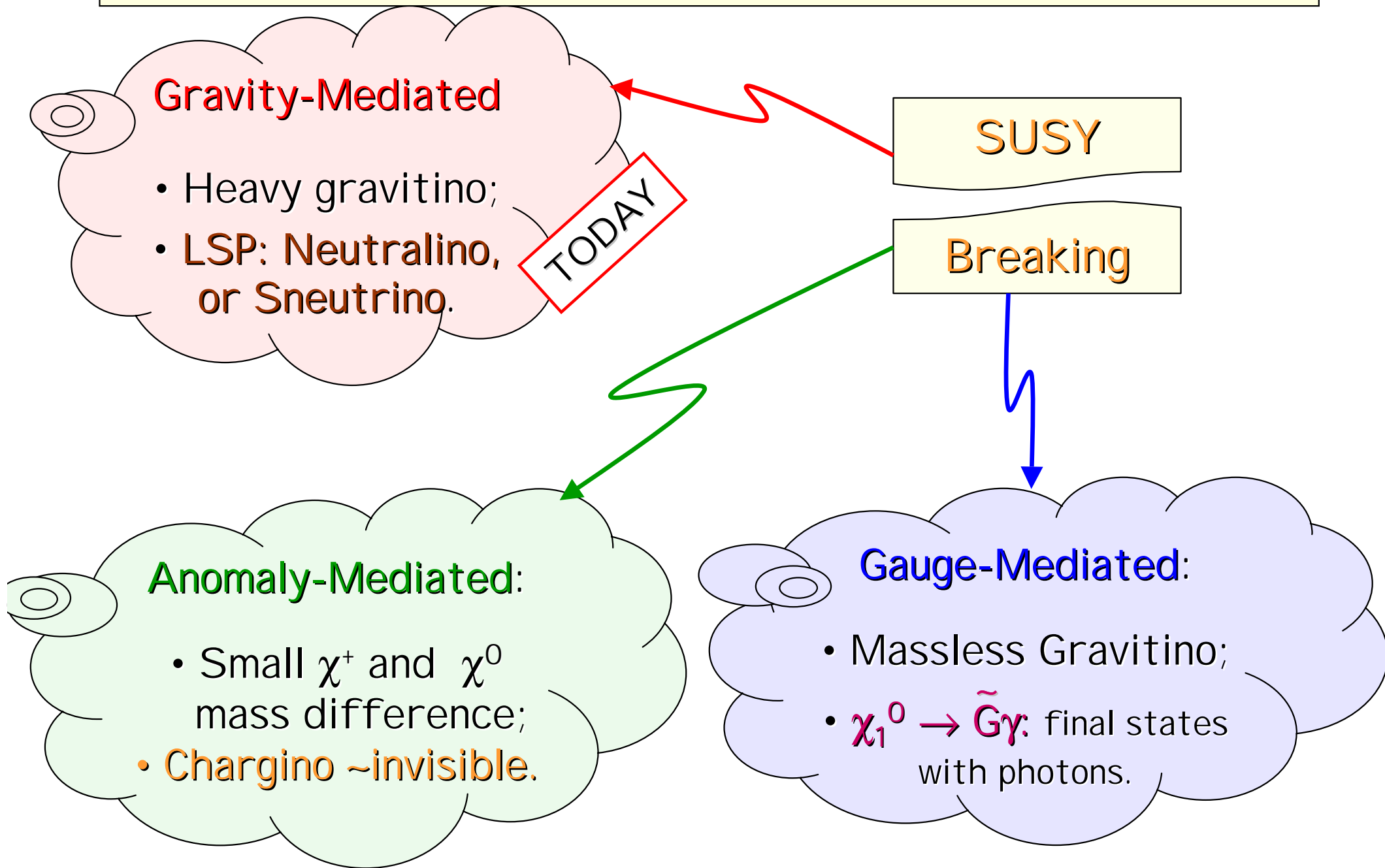
Baryonic Number
Spin
Leptonic number

+1 for Standard Particles
-1 for Supersymmetric Partners

TODAY

R_P Conserved	R_P Violated
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SUSY particles are pair-produced • The LSP is stable (\rightarrow neutral, colourless \rightarrow good dark-matter candidate) • All SUSY particles decay into the LSP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LSP decay into standard particles (no candidate for dark matter) • And so do all other SUSY particles
Experimental	Signature
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The LSP (neutral, colourless) interacts only weakly with matter: it is invisible. <p style="text-align: center; color: red; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;"> \rightarrow MISSING ENERGY </p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SUSY particles decay into quarks, leptons, neutrinos. <p style="text-align: center; color: green; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;"> \rightarrow Multi-jet, multi-leptons final states, missing energy or not. </p>

Phenomenology: Supersymmetry Breaking



Phenomenology: Models, Parameters (I)

The Minimal Supersymmetric extension of the Standard Model (MSSM):

- ❖ m_A : pseudoscalar Higgs boson mass
- ❖ $\tan\beta$: ratio of vacuum expectation values of the two Higgs doublets
- ❖ μ : Higgs mixing parameter
- ❖ M_1, M_2, M_3 : Gaugino ~~SUSY~~ mass terms (give masses to $\chi^0, \chi^\pm, \tilde{g}$)
- ❖ $m_{\tilde{l}_R}, m_{\tilde{l}_L}, m_{\tilde{\nu}_L}, m_{\tilde{q}_R}, m_{\tilde{q}_L}$: "Sfermion" ~~SUSY~~ mass terms
- ❖ A_t, A_b, A_τ, \dots : stop/sbottom/stau/... mixing parameters

TODAY

▶ ≥ 100 parameters
▶ Not too predictive

Phenomenology: Models, Parameters (II)

TODAY

The constrained MSSM (C-MSSM):

Constrain the gauginos and sfermions mass parameters with **GUT universality relations**:

□ Unify M_1, M_2, M_3 to a universal gaugino mass $m_{1/2}$ at the GUT scale

$$M_3 : M_2 : M_1 : m_{1/2} = \alpha_3 : \alpha_2 : \alpha_1 : \alpha_{GUT}$$

$$M_1 \approx 0.5m_{1/2}; \quad M_2 \approx 0.8m_{1/2}; \quad M_3 \approx 3.5m_{1/2}.$$

χ^0

χ^\pm

\tilde{g}

(at the EW scale)

□ Unify all sfermion mass parameters to a universal scalar mass m_0

$$m_{\tilde{\ell}_R}^2 = m_0^2 + 0.15m_{1/2}^2 + \dots$$

$$m_{\tilde{\ell}_L, \tilde{\nu}}^2 = m_0^2 + 0.5 m_{1/2}^2 + \dots$$

$$m_{\tilde{q}_{R,L}}^2 = m_0^2 + 6 m_{1/2}^2 + \dots$$

- Scalar and gaugino masses related
- Third family sfermion masses may have large mixing corrections ($\propto m_{\text{top}}^2, m_b^2, m_\tau^2$)

$$\text{Stop} : m(\tilde{t}_1), m(\tilde{t}_2), A_t$$

$$\text{Sbottom} : m(\tilde{b}_1), m(\tilde{b}_2), A_b$$

$$\text{Stau} : m(\tilde{\tau}_1), m(\tilde{\tau}_2), A_\tau$$

Phenomenology: Models, Parameters (III)

Minimal SuperGravity (mSUGRA):

TODAY

- Unify Higgs and scalar sector at the GUT scale

⇒ m_A fixed by $(m_0, \tan \beta, \dots)$

- Unify all trilinear couplings at the GUT scale

⇒ all A_i 's unified to A_0

- Break radiatively the ElectroWeak Symmetry

⇒ $|\mu|$ fixed by $(m_0, m_{1/2}, \tan \beta, \dots)$

- Only FIVE parameters left

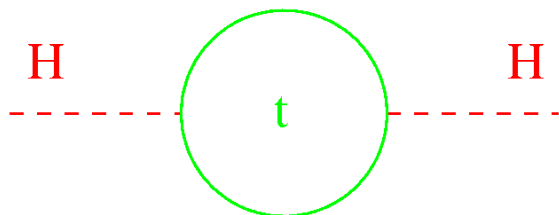
$m_0, m_{1/2}, \tan \beta, A_0, \text{sign}(\mu)$

Very predictive
Realized in Nature?

Phenomenology: The Higgs Sector (I)

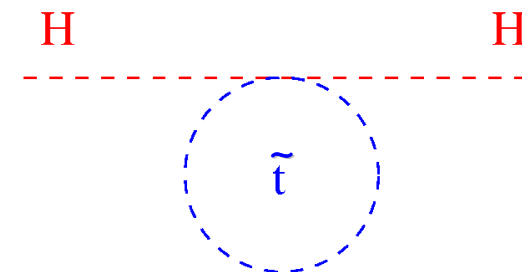
In the Standard Model

- One Higgs doublet
v.e.v. v
- One physical state
 H
- One parameter
 m_H
- Radiative corrections to m_h
quadratically divergent



In the M.S.S.M

- Two Higgs doublets
v.e.v.'s v_1 and v_2
- Five physical states
 $h, H,$ CP-even (α)
 $A,$ CP-odd
 H^+, H^- Charged
- Two parameters (at tree-level)
 $m_h, \tan\beta = v_2/v_1$
- Radiative corrections to m_h, m_H
stabilized and finite

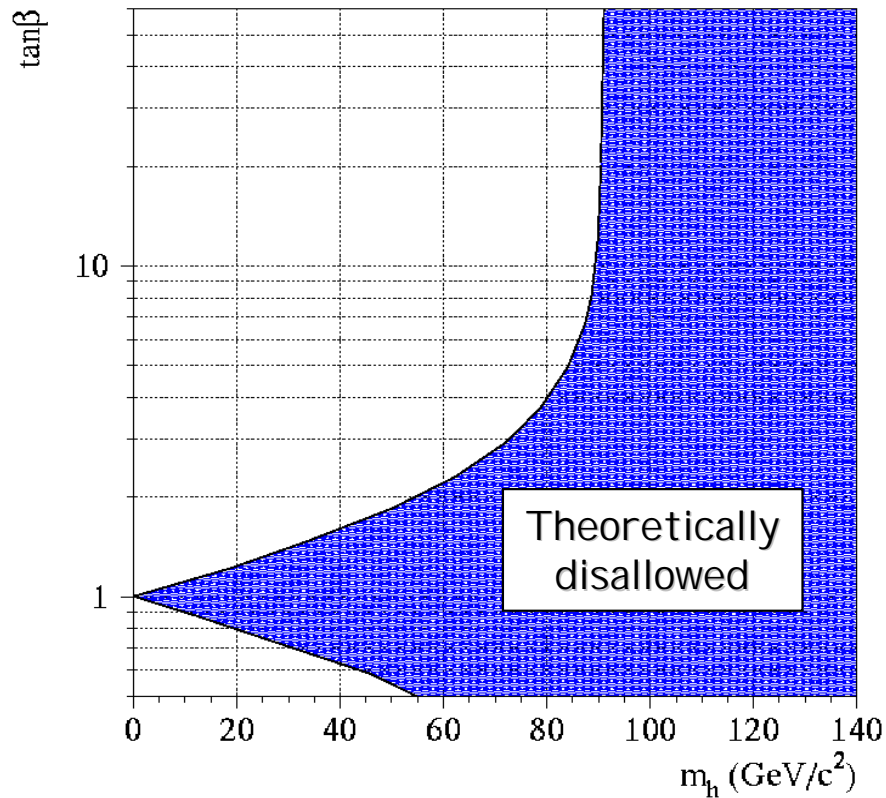


Depend on $m_{\text{top}}, m_{\tilde{t}_1}, m_{\tilde{t}_2}, A_t, \mu, \tan\beta, \dots$

Phenomenology: The Higgs Sector (II)

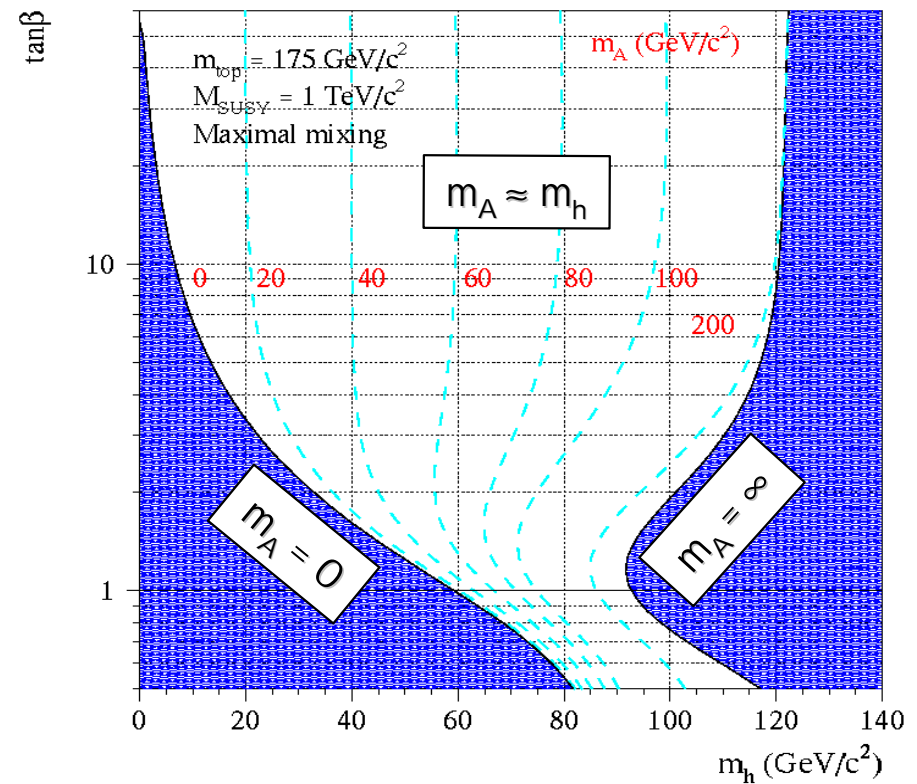
In exact Supersymmetry

$$m_h \leq m_Z |\cos 2\beta|$$



In broken Supersymmetry

$$\Delta m_h^2 = \frac{3g^2}{8\pi^2 \sin^2 \beta} \frac{m_{\text{top}}^4}{m_W^2} \log \left(\frac{m_{\tilde{t}_1} m_{\tilde{t}_2}}{m_{\text{top}}^2} \right) + \dots$$

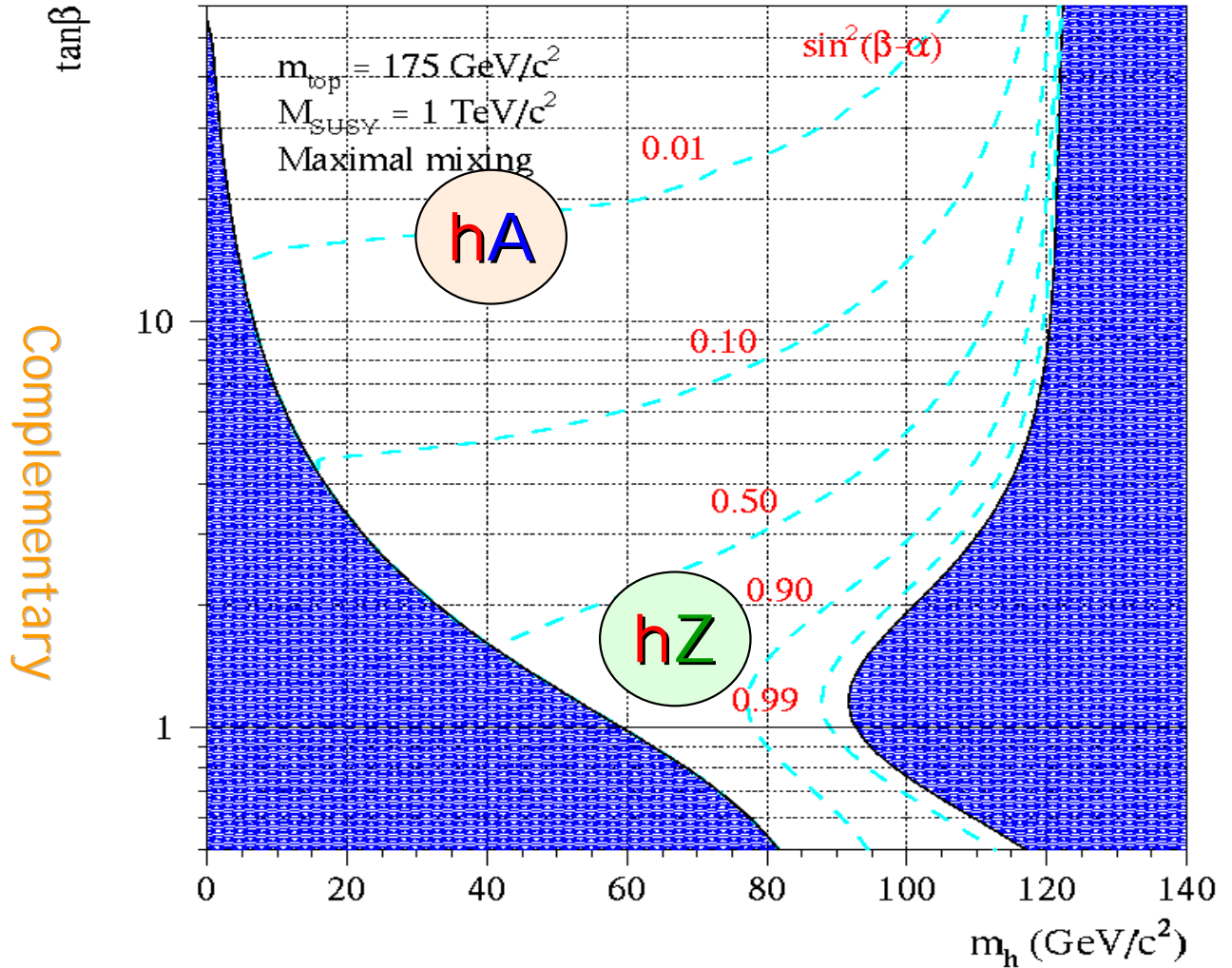
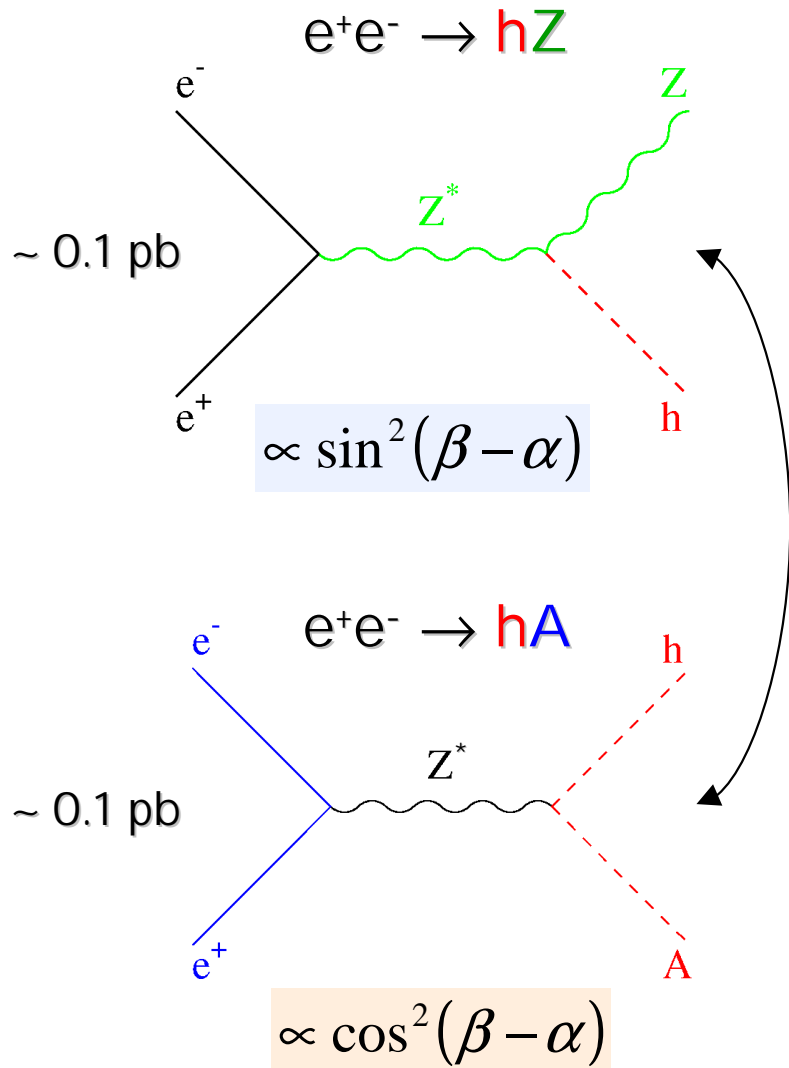


$$m_h \leq 130 \text{ GeV}/c^2, m_H \geq 130 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

Phenomenology: The Higgs Sector (III)

- **H too heavy** to be produced at LEP;
- Therefore, look for **h** and **A**

- In the MSSM: $m_{H^\pm}^2 = m_W^2 + m_A^2 + \delta_{\text{rad.}}^2$ (small)
Charged Higgs bosons too heavy for LEP2, too.

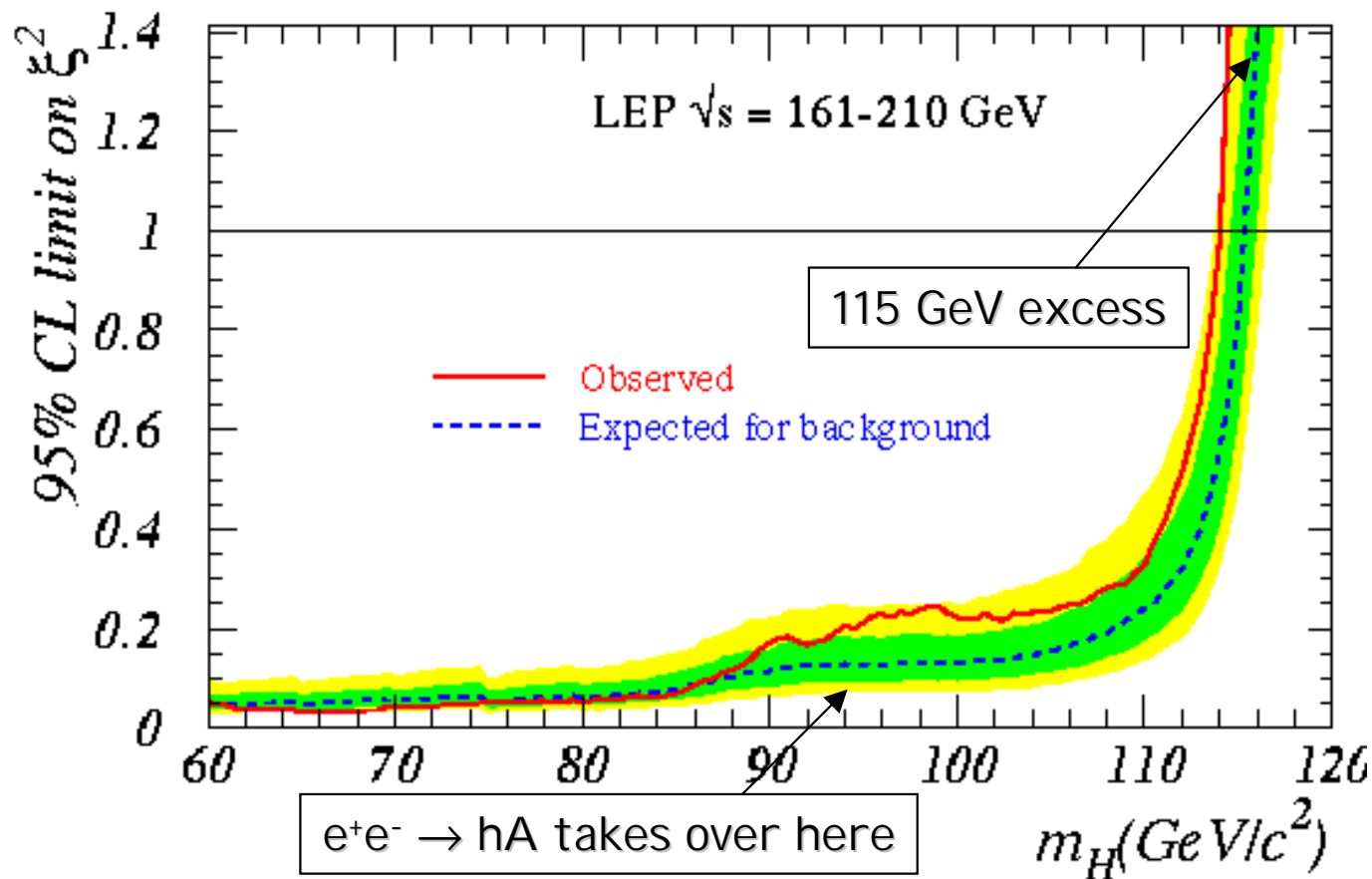


⇒ Look for both processes !

Searches at LEP: $e^+e^- \rightarrow hZ$ (I)

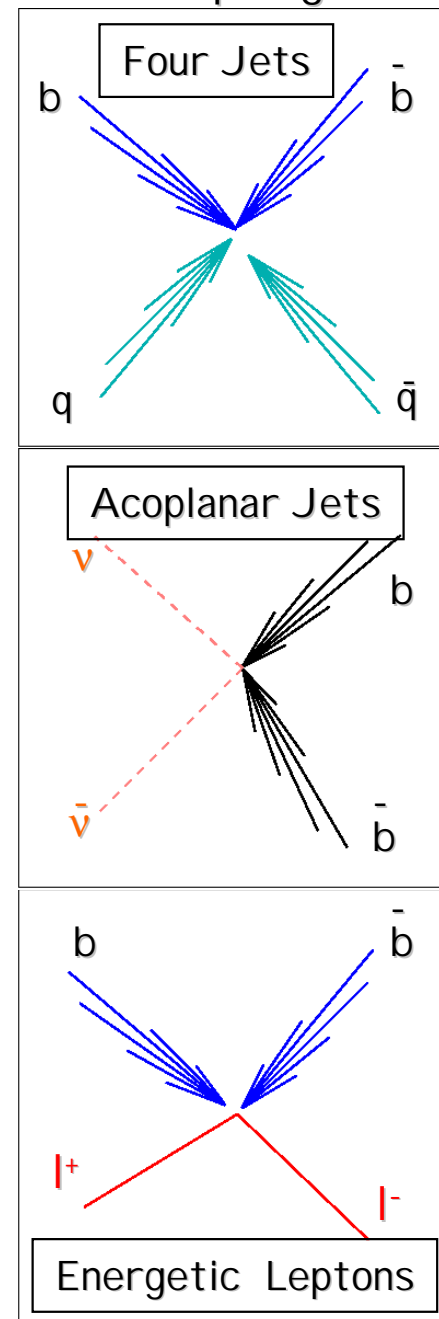
□ Standard Model-like decays (mostly $b\bar{b}$ and $\tau^+\tau^-$)

⇒ Limit in the $[m_h, \sin^2(\beta-\alpha)]$ plane:



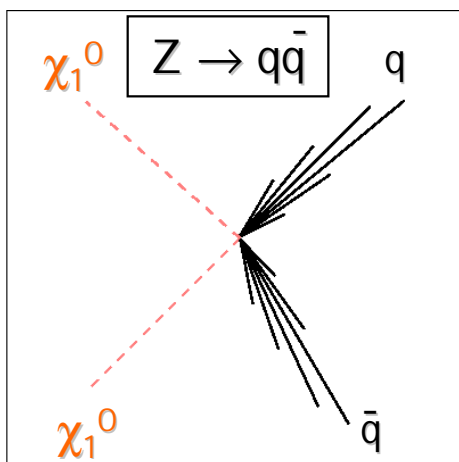
□ SUSY-specific decays?

Usual topologies:

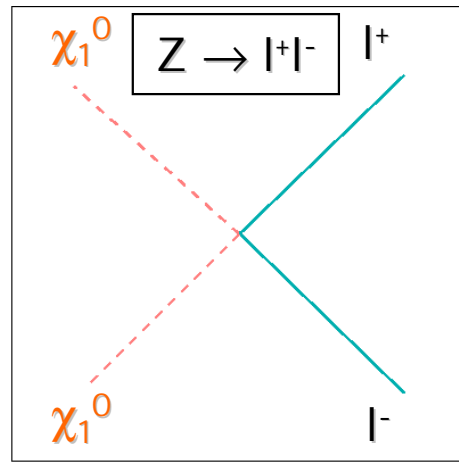


Searches at LEP: $e^+e^- \rightarrow hZ$ (II)

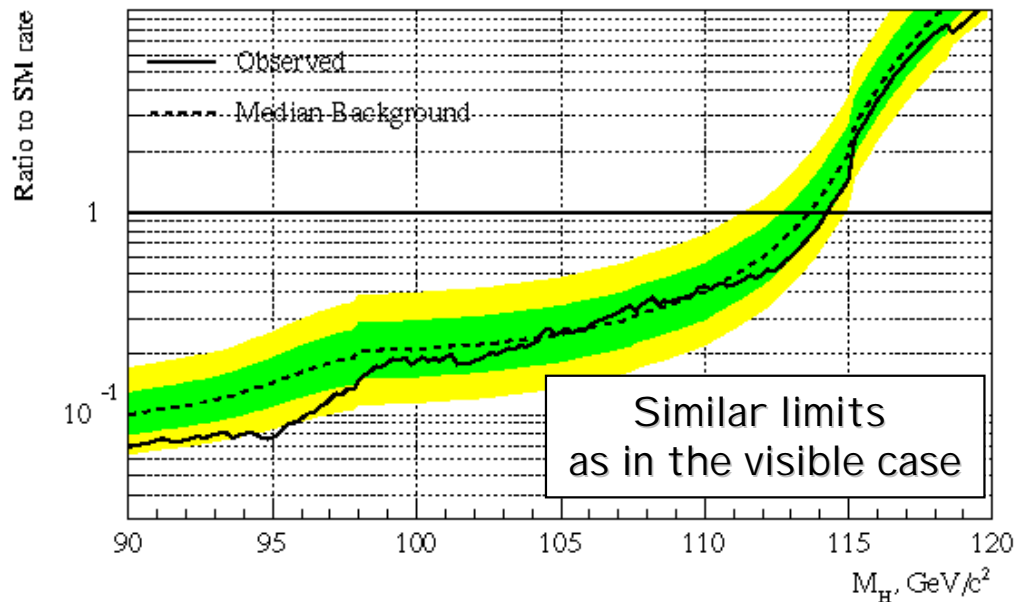
□ Invisible decays: $h \rightarrow \chi_1^0 \chi_1^0$



Acoplanar Jets
($H\nu\nu$)

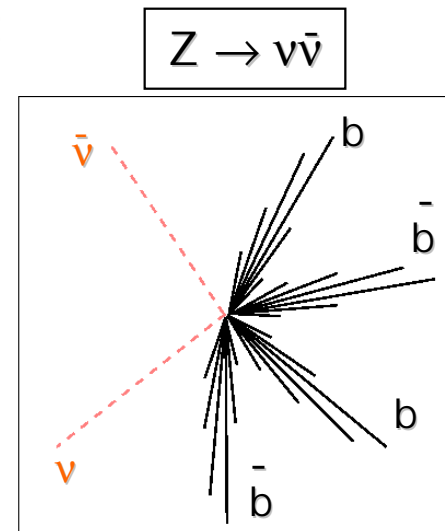


Acoplanar Leptons
(W^+W^-)

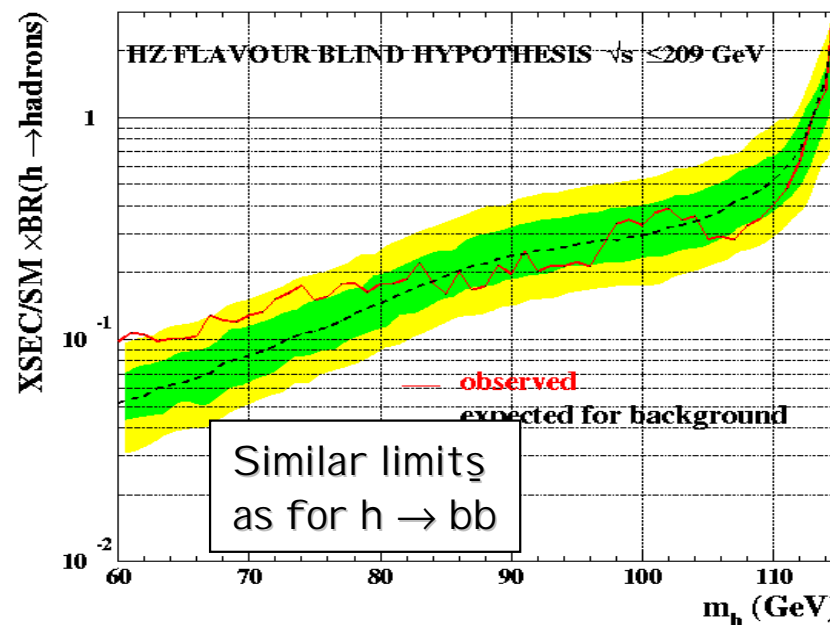


□ Decays into Higgses: $h \rightarrow AA$
with, e.g., $A \rightarrow b\bar{b}$:

Efficiency at least as large as for the Standard-Model-decay $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

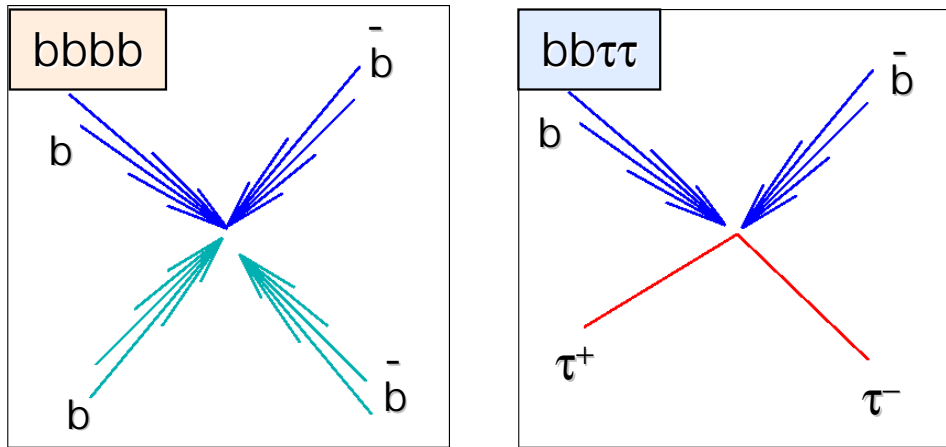


□ Flavour-Blind Search: $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}, c\bar{c}, gg$

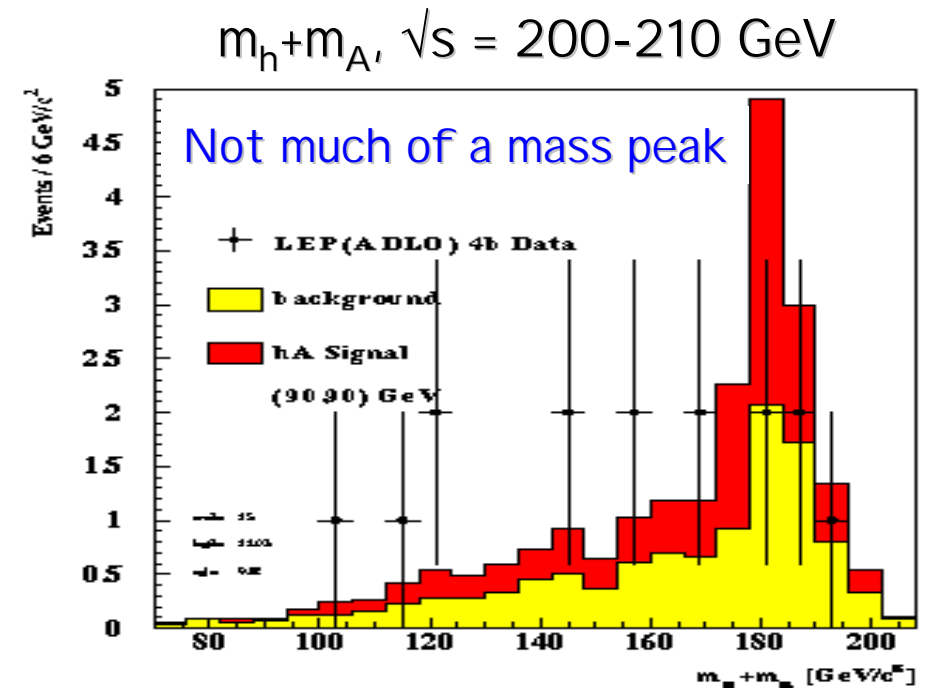
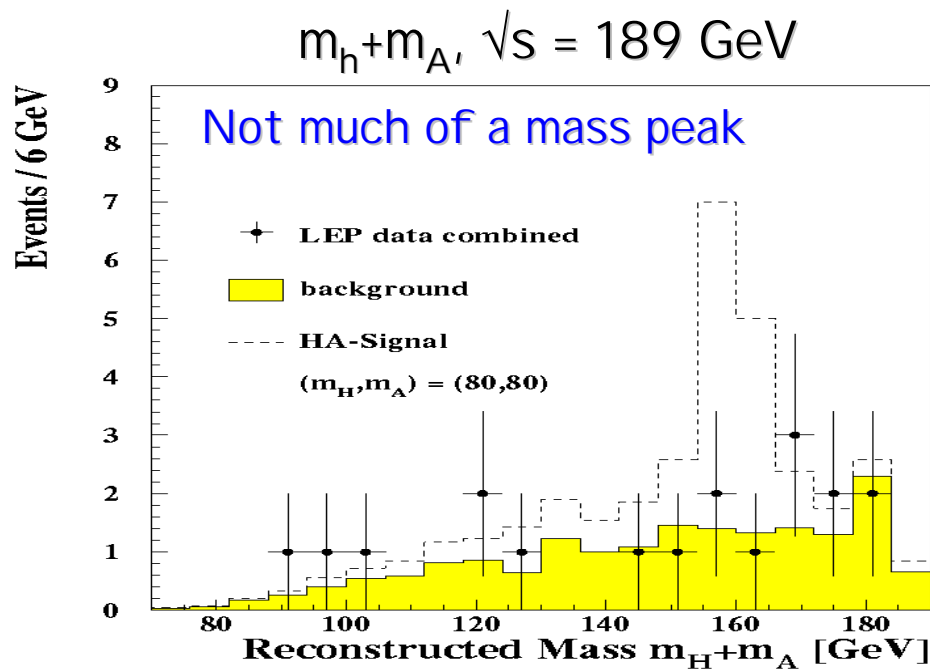


Searches at LEP: $e^+e^- \rightarrow hA$

Topologies: $h, A \rightarrow b\bar{b}, \tau^+\tau^-$

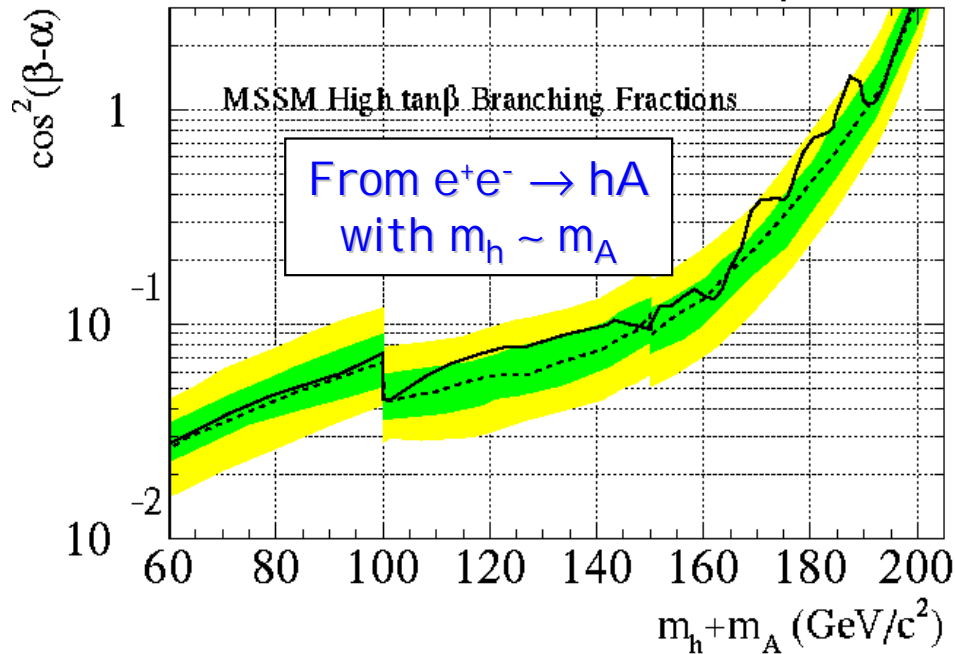


- Fit jet energies with the energy and momentum constraint, as for the W^+W^- events;
- Determine the h and A masses as for the W^+W^- events.



Searches at LEP: Limits from $e^+e^- \rightarrow hZ, hA$

⇒ Limit in the $[m_h, \cos^2(\beta-\alpha)]$ plane:



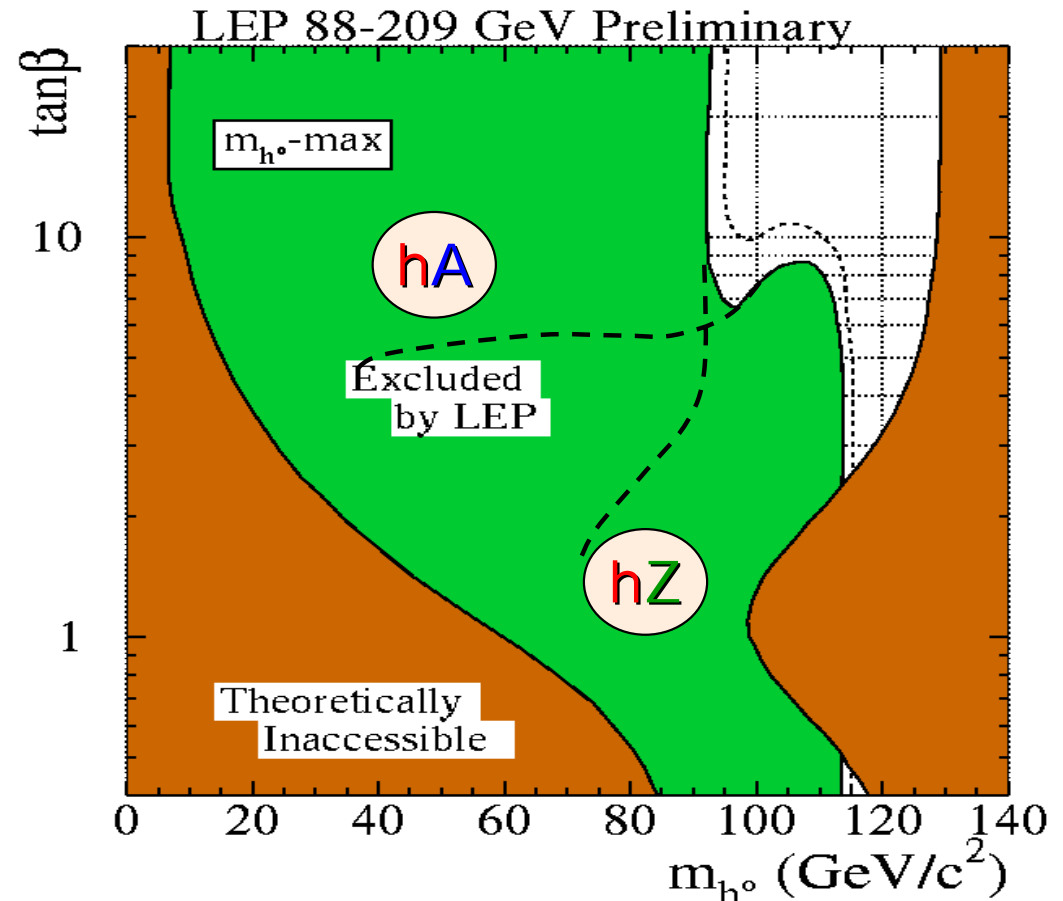
$0.5 < \tan\beta < 2.4$
excluded at 95% C.L.

Note: LEP 220 would have covered the whole MSSM parameter space... i.e., found/excluded Supersymmetry

Combining hZ and hA results
 $\cos^2(\beta-\alpha) + \sin^2(\beta-\alpha) = 1$ (!)

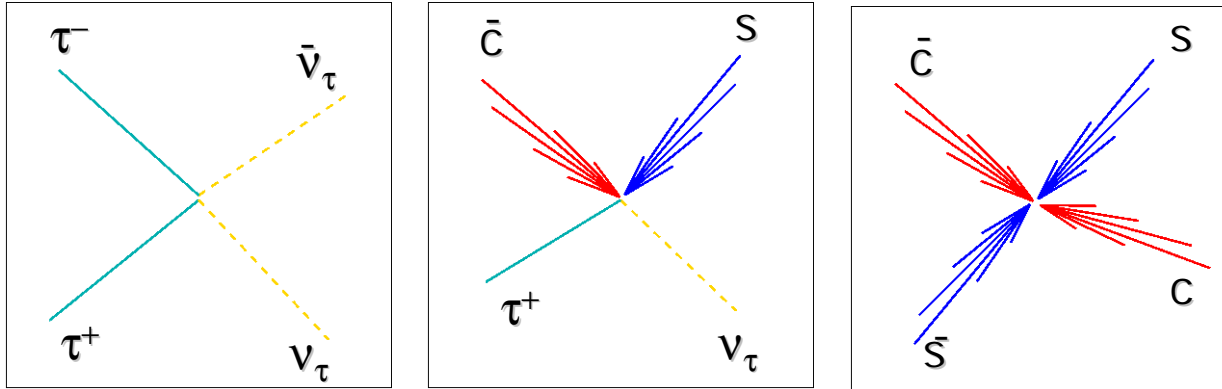
⇒ Limit in the $[m_h, \tan\beta]$ plane:

$m_h, m_A > 91-92 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
at 95% C.L., any $\tan\beta$.

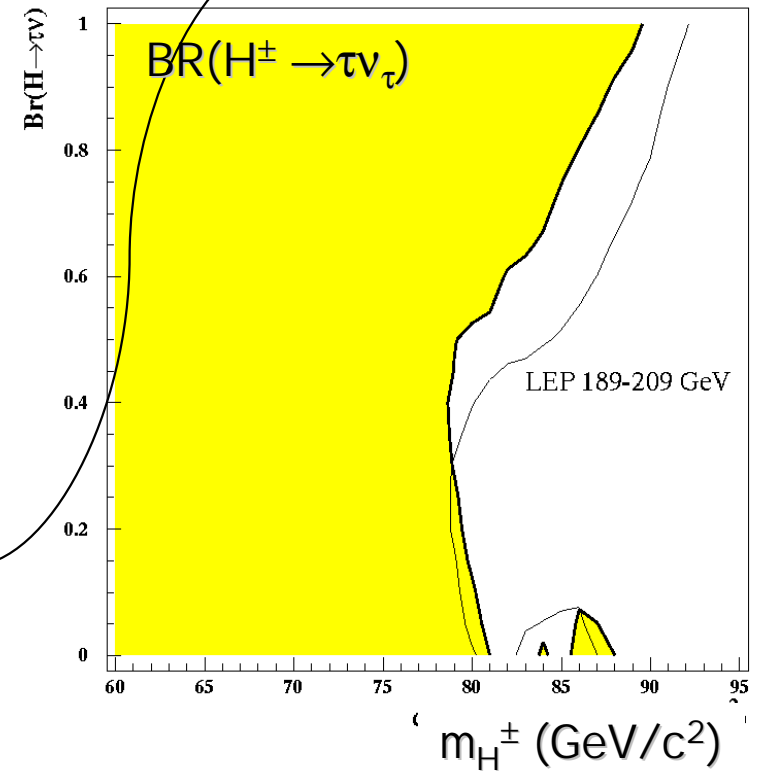


Searches at LEP: $e^+e^- \rightarrow H^+H^-$

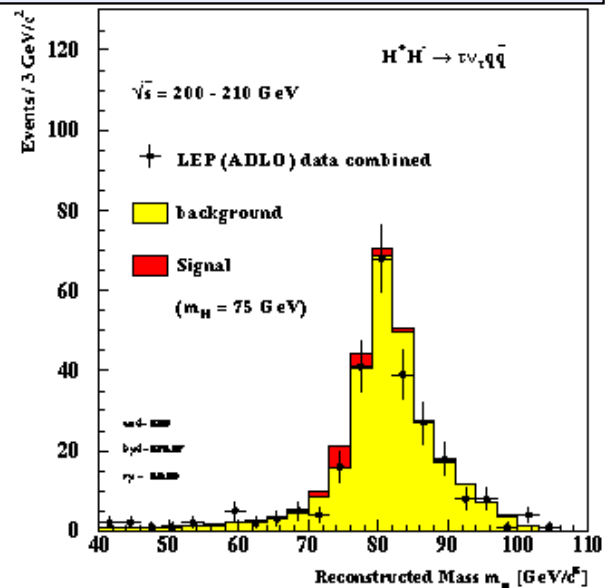
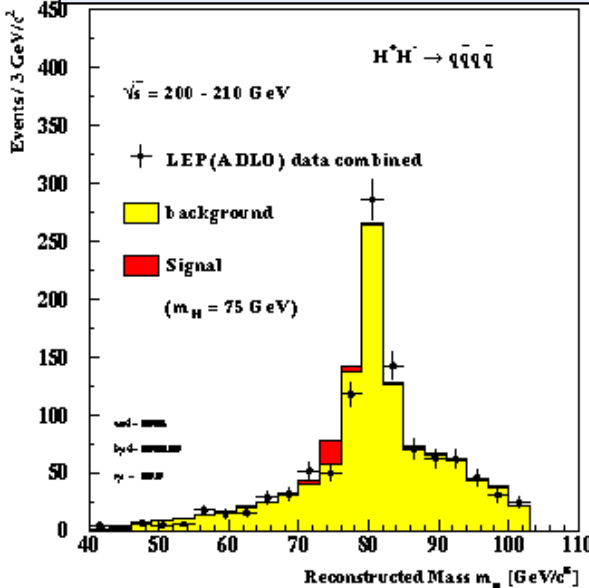
Topologies: $H^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu_\tau, c\bar{s}$ (like W^+W^- events)



LIMITS ...



Mass Distributions: No excess over exp. background.

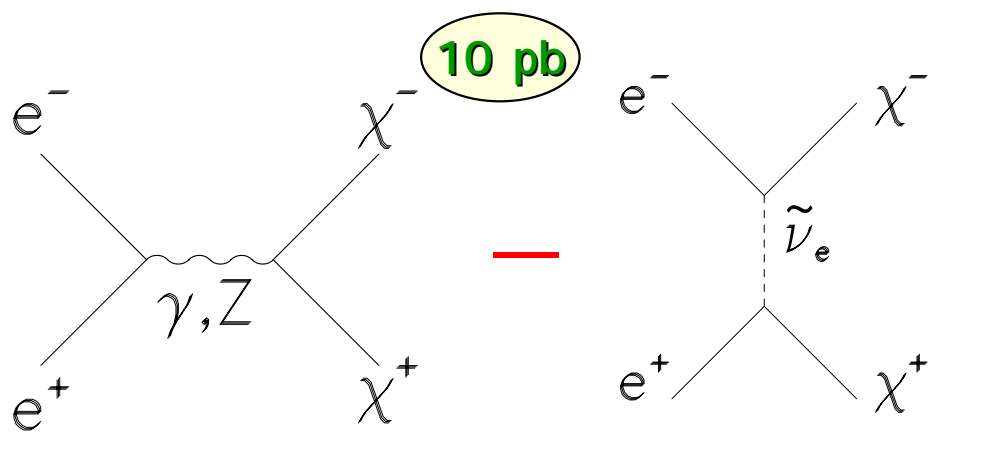
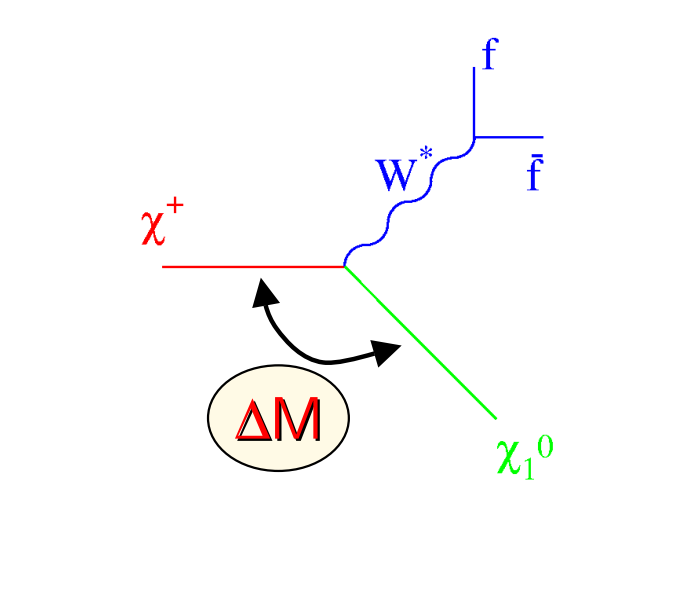
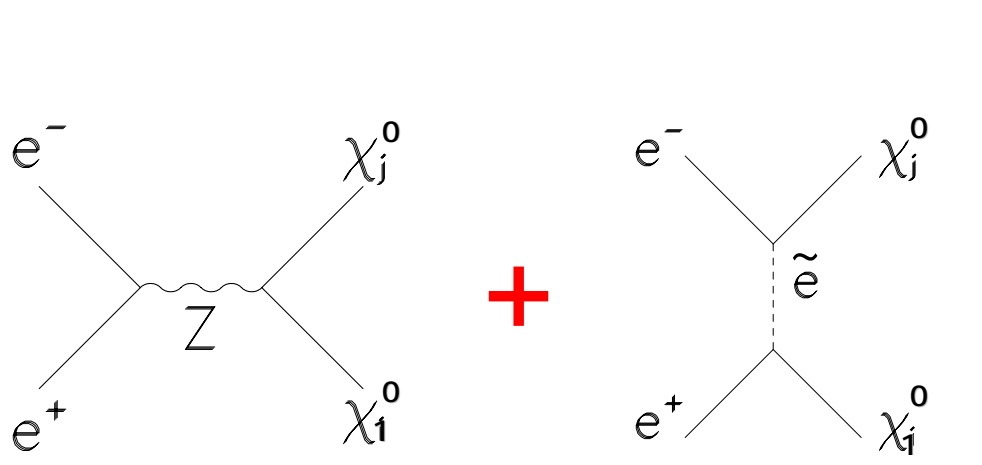
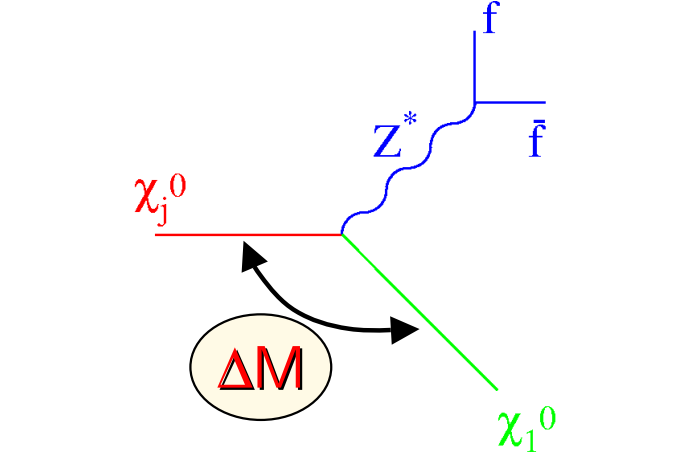


$m_{H^\pm} \geq 78.6 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
at 95% C.L.

Not too useful in the MSSM:

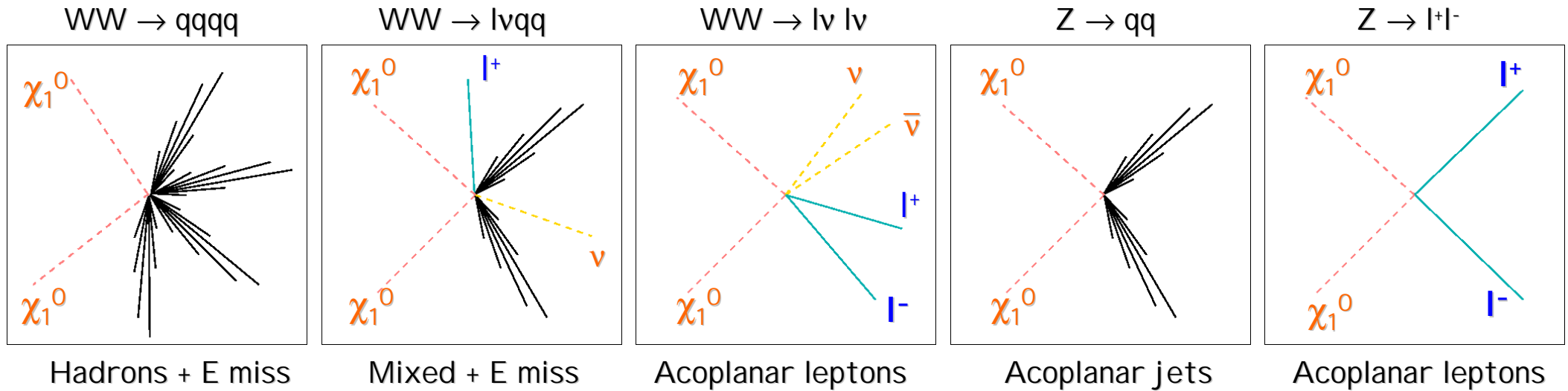
$$m_{H^\pm}^2 = m_W^2 + m_A^2 + \delta_{\text{rad.}}^2 \text{ (small)}$$

Searches at LEP: Charginos, Neutralinos (I)

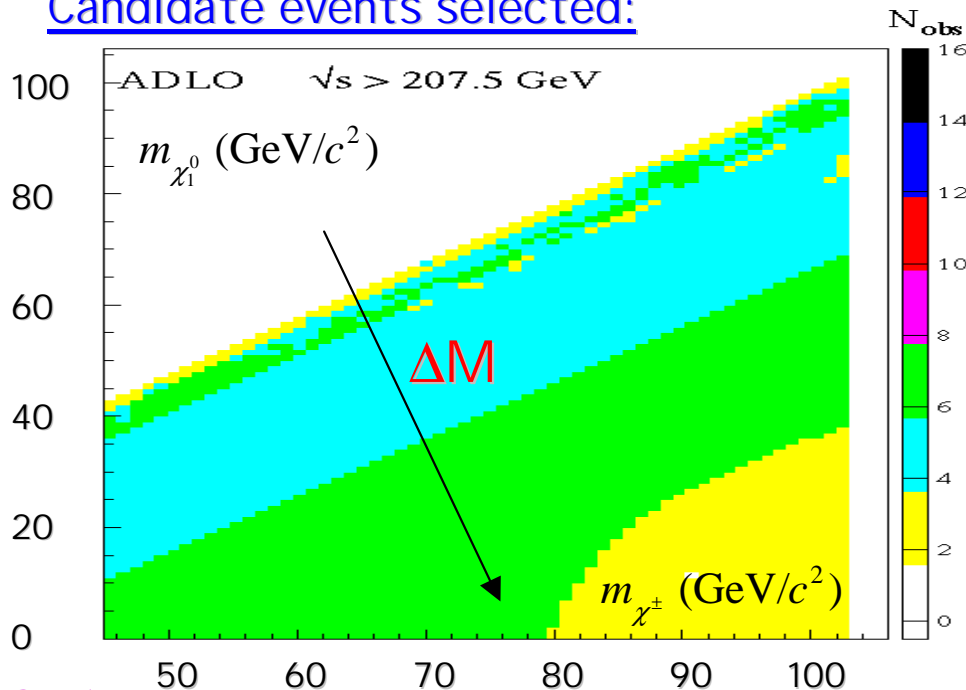
Production Processes	Decays	Final States
 <p style="text-align: center;">Destructive interference. Cross section may vanish for small sneutrino masses (m_0)</p>		<p>Four fermions (quark or leptons) with missing E</p> <p>Visible energy proportional to ΔM</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">1 pb</p>	 <p>$\chi_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\nu} \bar{\nu} \rightarrow \chi_1^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$ (invisible) may become dominant for small m_0</p>	<p>Two fermions (quark or leptons) with missing E</p> <p>Visible energy proportional to ΔM</p>

Searches at LEP: Charginos, Neutralinos (II)

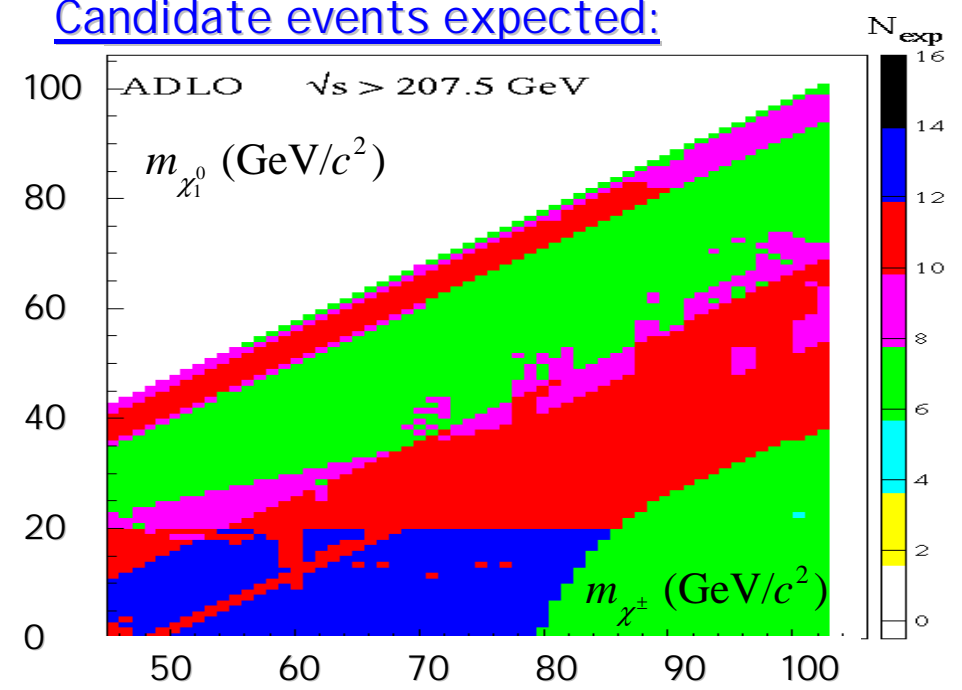
Final State Topologies:



Candidate events selected:



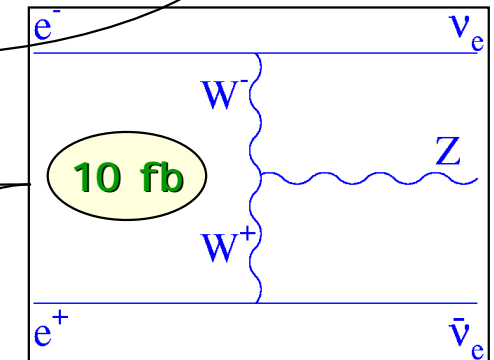
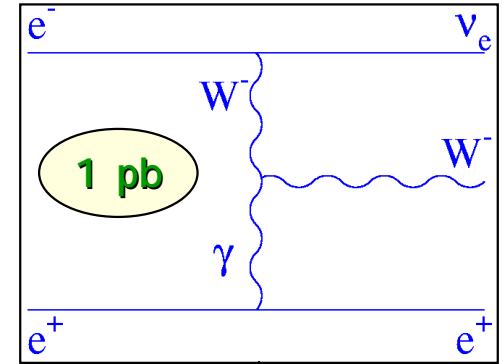
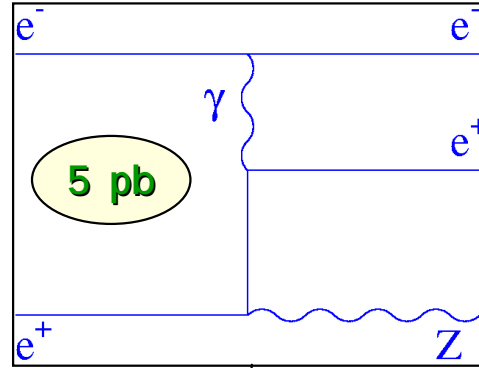
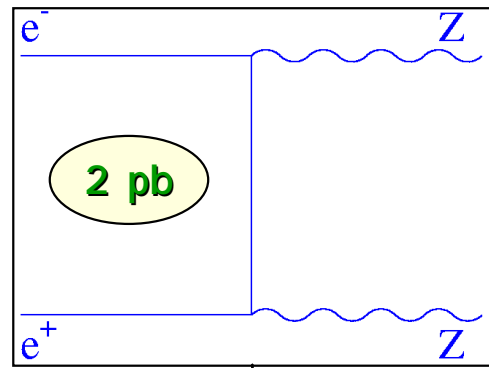
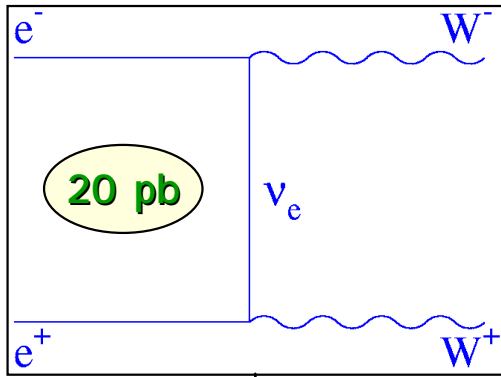
Candidate events expected:



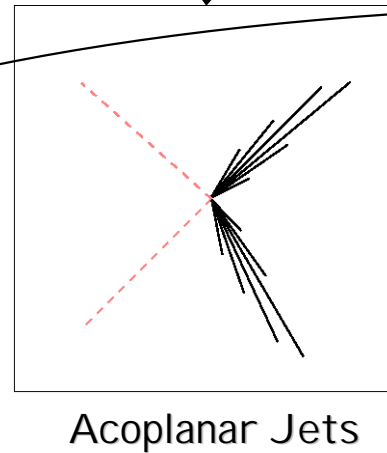
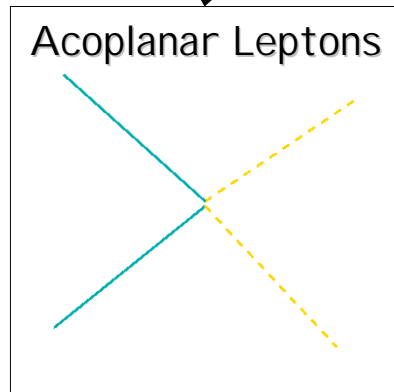
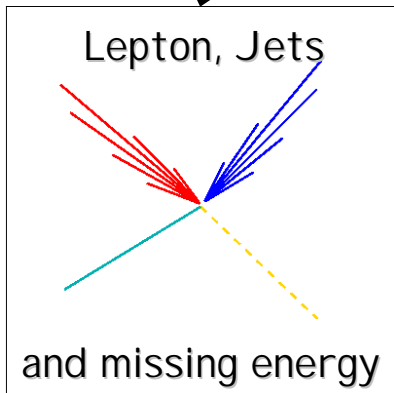
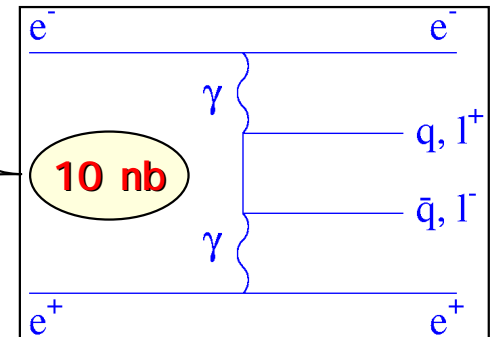
Searches at LEP: Charginos, Neutralinos (III)

Large ΔM

Four-Fermion Background Processes:



Small ΔM

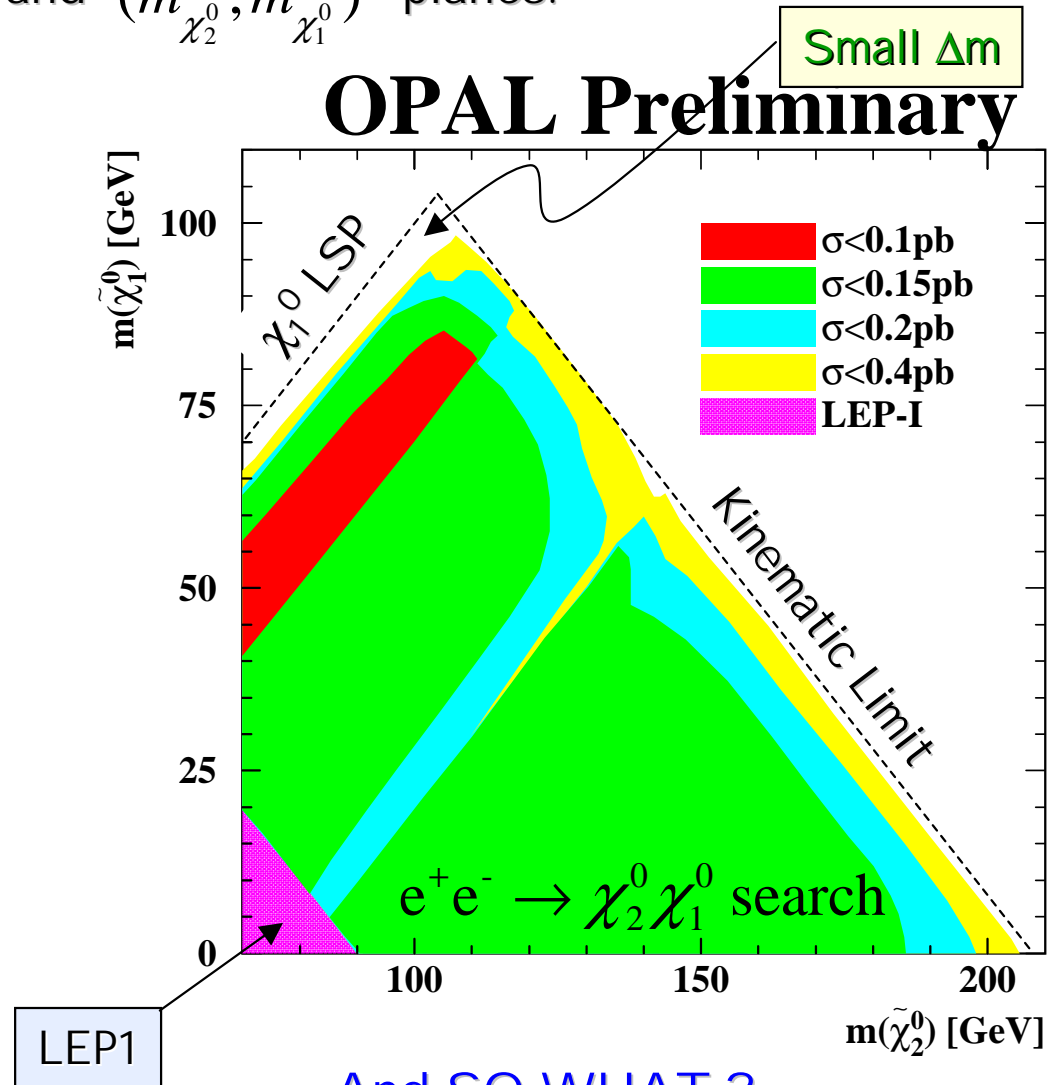
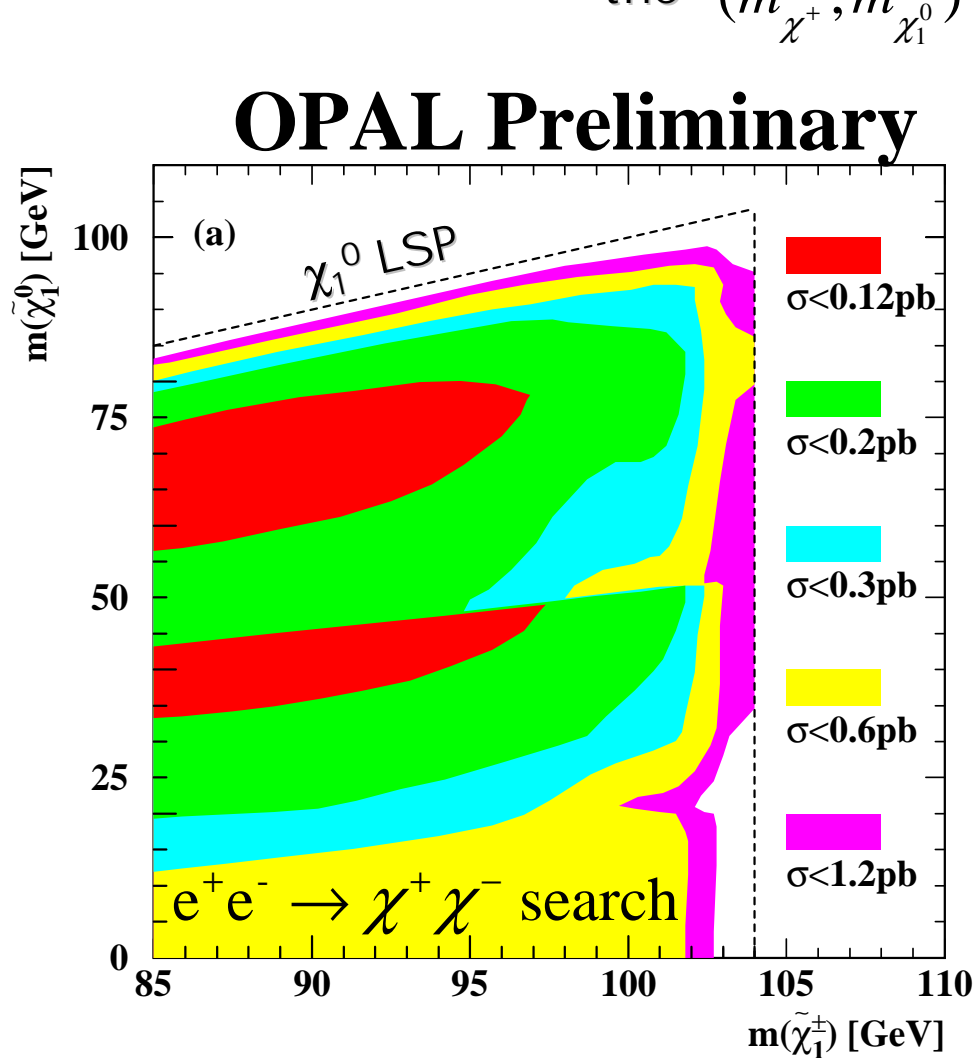


Topologies:

Searches at LEP: Charginos, Neutralinos (I V)

Presentation of the result

- **Model Independent:** 95% C.L. upper limit on the $\chi^+\chi^-$ and $\chi_2^0\chi_1^0$ cross sections in the $(m_{\chi^+}, m_{\chi_1^0})$ and $(m_{\chi_2^0}, m_{\chi_1^0})$ planes.

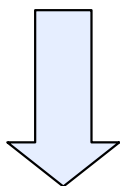


... And SO WHAT ?

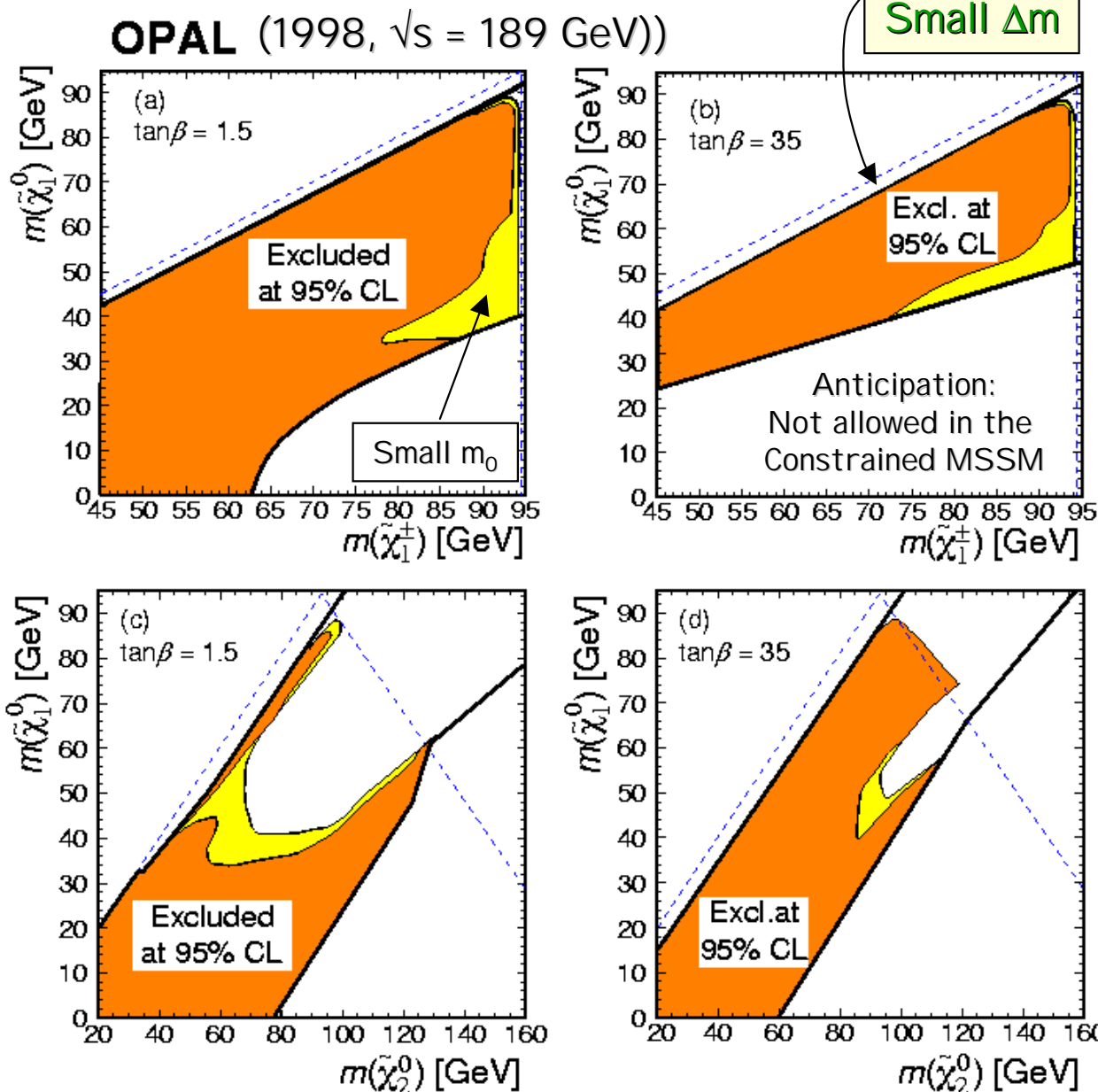
Searches at LEP: Charginos, Neutralinos (V)

□ In the MSSM:

The chargino and neutralino production cross section can be computed as a function of the χ^+ and χ^0 masses, under the assumption that masses of sfermions are large (\rightarrow negligible interference in the cross section).



95% C.L. excluded regions in the $(m_{\chi^+}, m_{\chi_1^0})$ and the $(m_{\chi_2^0}, m_{\chi_1^0})$ planes



Still not extremely exciting ...

Searches at LEP: Charginos, Neutralinos (VI)

□ In the C-MSSM: The chargino and neutralino masses unify via $m_{1/2}$ (M_2) and can be expressed as a function of M_2 , μ and $\tan\beta$.

The chargino and neutralino searches results can therefore be combined, and the result reported in the (M_2, μ) plane for different $\tan\beta$ values.

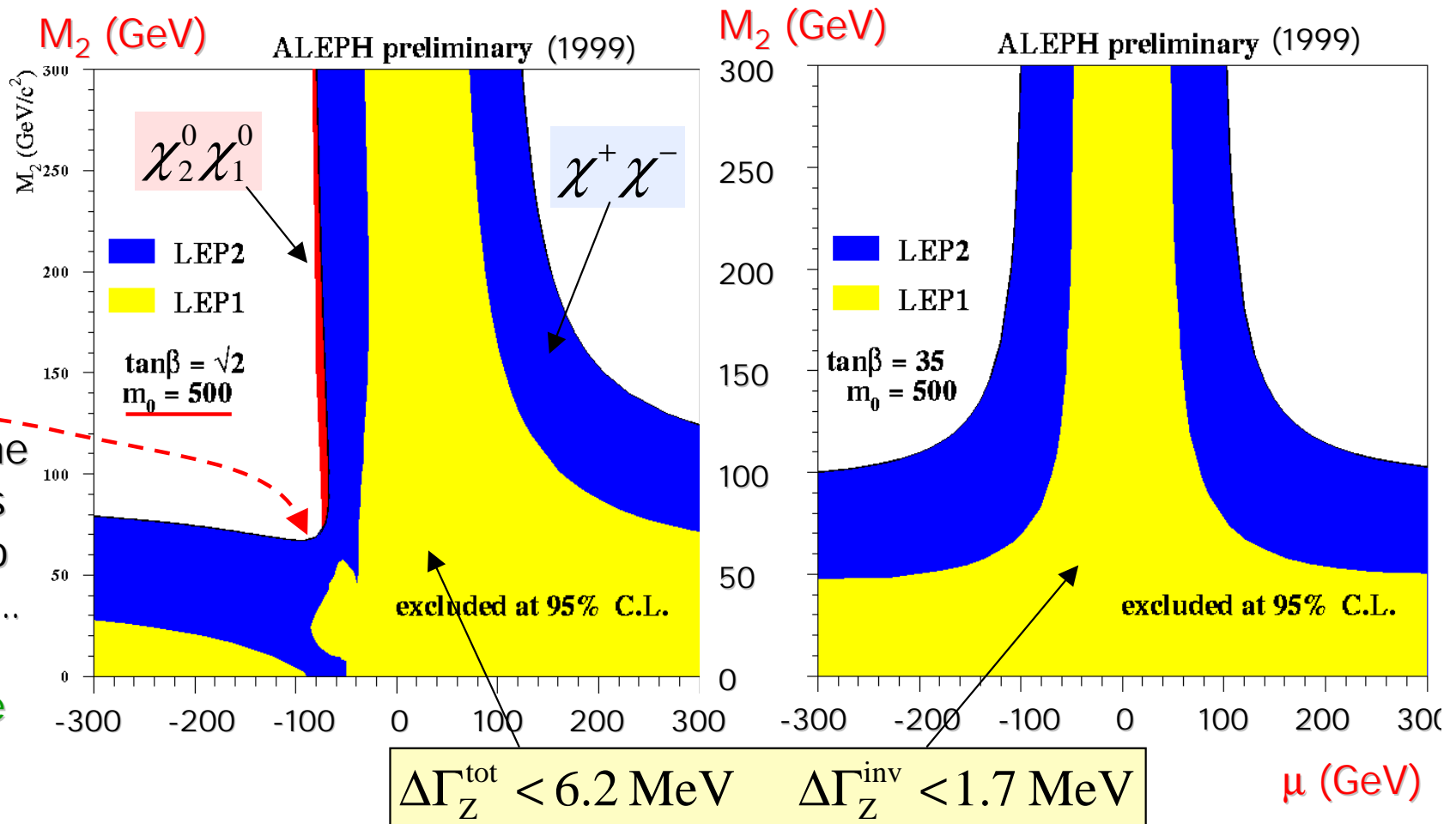
Limit on the LSP mass ($m_{1/2}$)

Limit on M_2

(increases with $\tan\beta$)

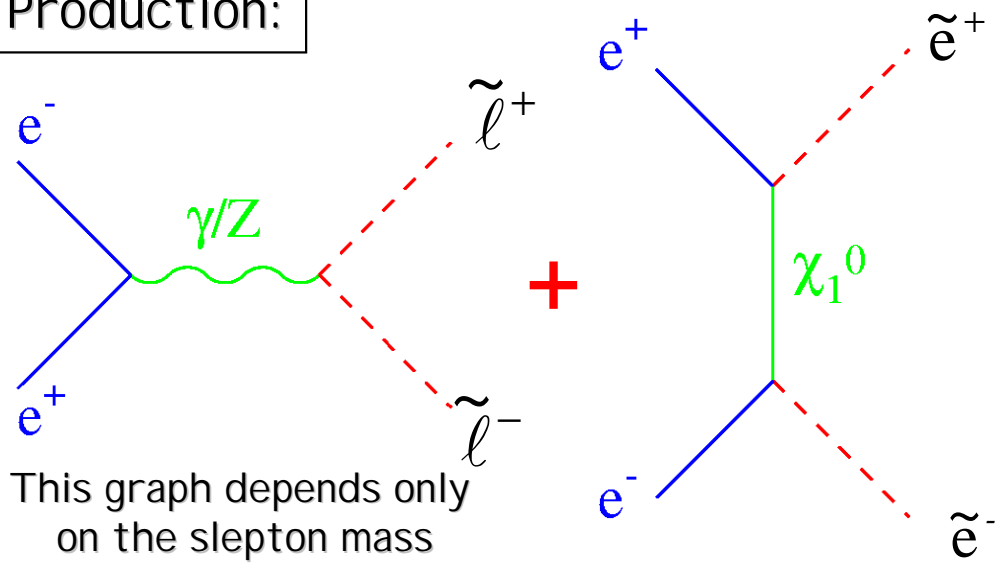
For smaller m_0 , the excluded domains shrink, leaving no limit on M_2 ... but ...

Sleptons become light...

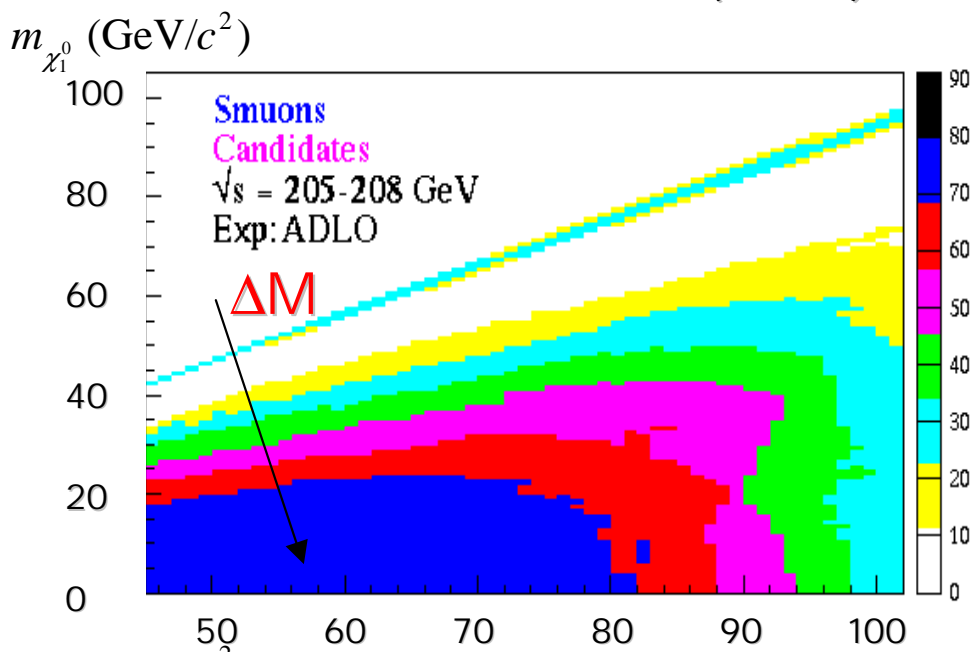


Searches at LEP: Sleptons (I)

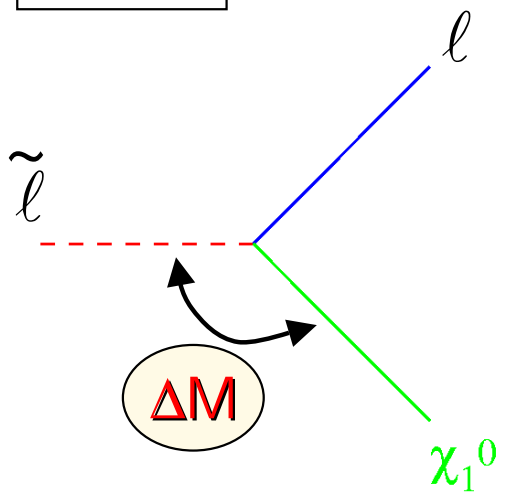
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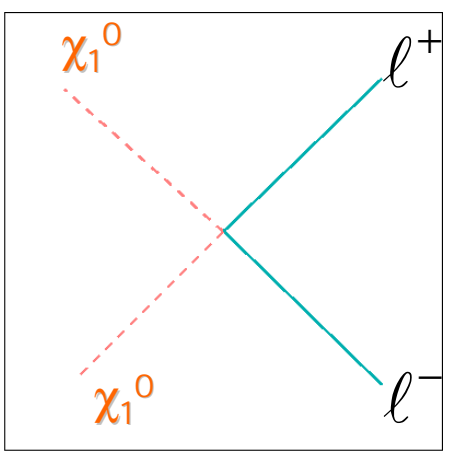
Results for smuons (2000)



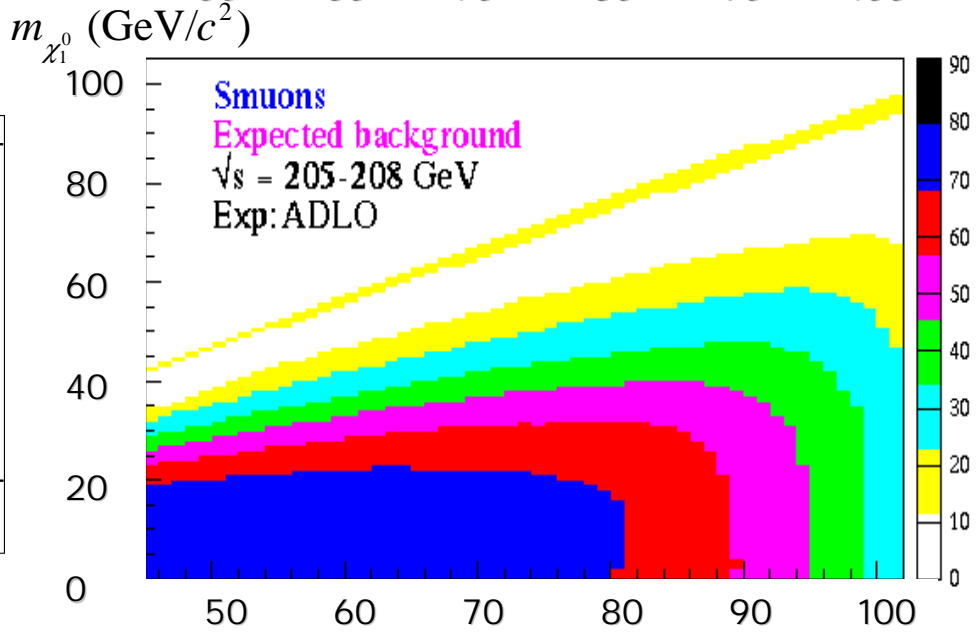
Decay:



Topology:



Acoplanar Leptons



Searches at LEP: Sleptons (II)

Result expressed in terms of 95% C.L. excluded domains in the $(m_{\tilde{\ell}}, m_{\chi_1^0})$ plane

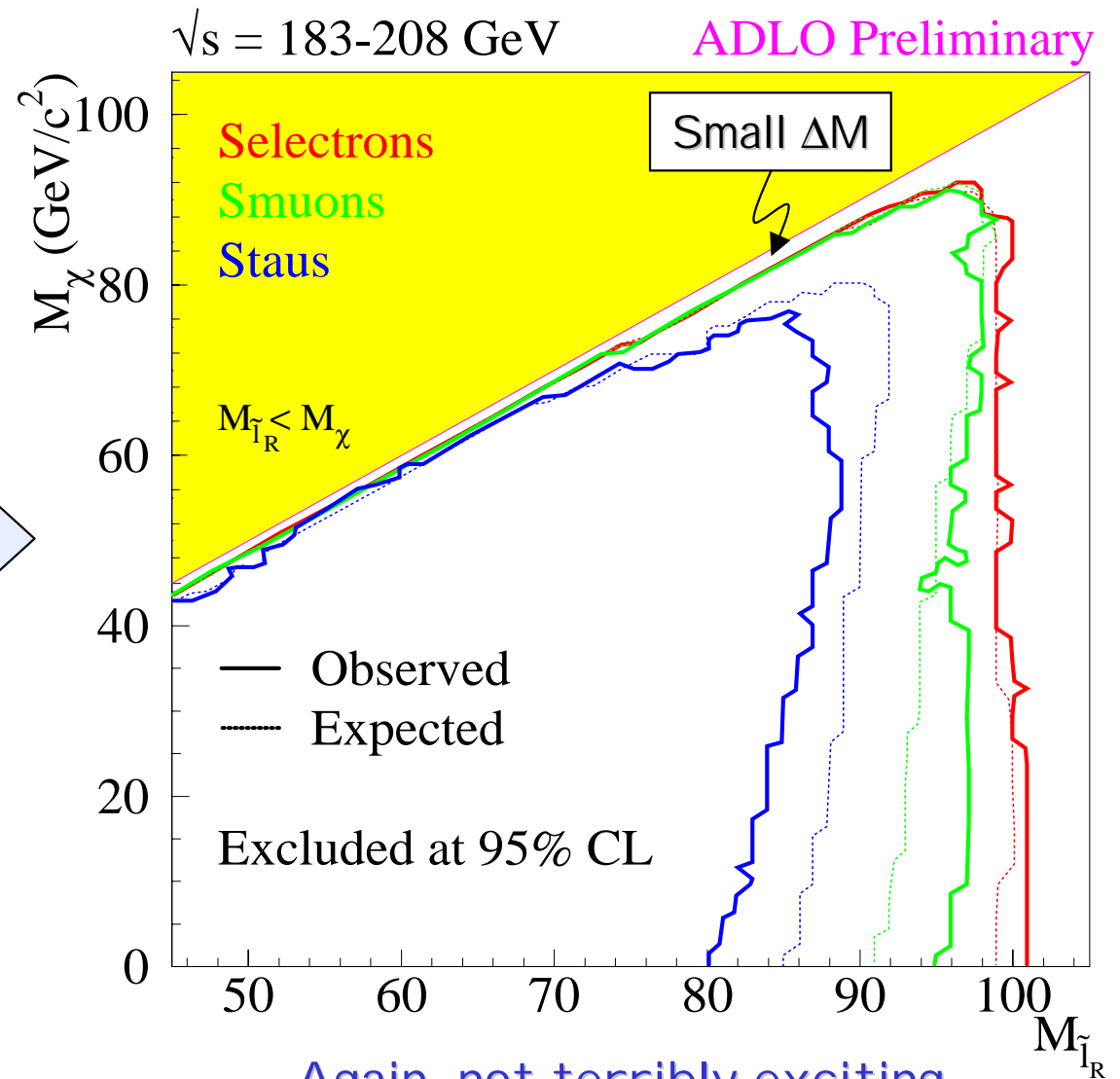
Limits for $\Delta M > 10 \text{ GeV}/c^2$:

$$m_{\tilde{e}_R} \geq 99 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

$$m_{\tilde{\mu}_R} \geq 95 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

$$m_{\tilde{\tau}_R} \geq 80 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

at 95% C.L.

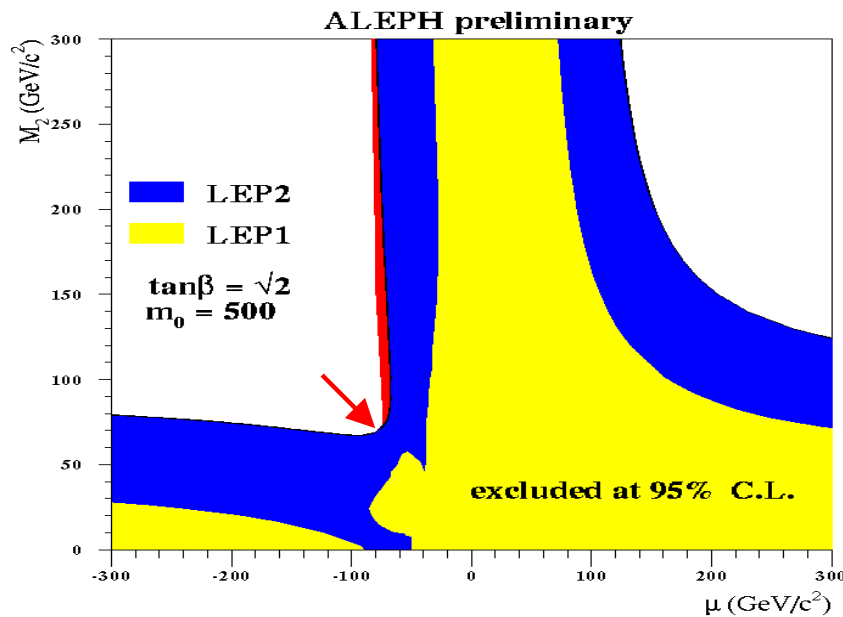


Again, not terribly exciting ...
 But it allows a LSP mass limit to be set in the C-MSSM

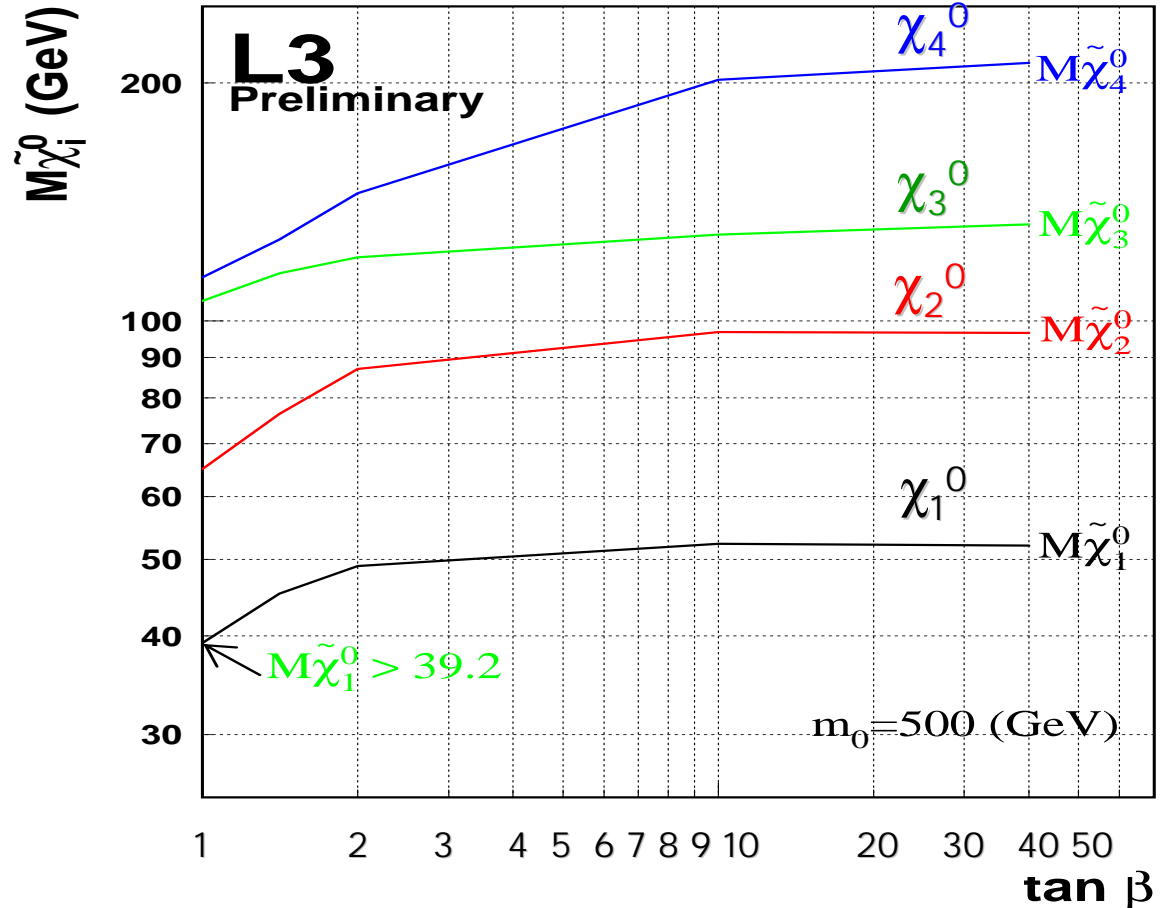
Interpretation: LSP Mass Lower Limit (I)

➤ Large m_0 ($\geq 100 \text{ GeV}/c^2$)

- ⇒ Large chargino and neutralino cross section;
- ⇒ Limit on M_2 for each $\tan\beta$ value



- ⇒ Constrain $m_{1/2}$ as a function of $\tan\beta$
- ⇒ Constrain $m(\chi_1^0)$ for each $\tan\beta$



- $m(\chi_1^0) > 39.6 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ ALEPH
- $m(\chi_1^0) > 38.7 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ DELPHI
- $m(\chi_1^0) > 39.4 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ L3
- $m(\chi_1^0) > 38.0 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ OPAL

(Large m_0)

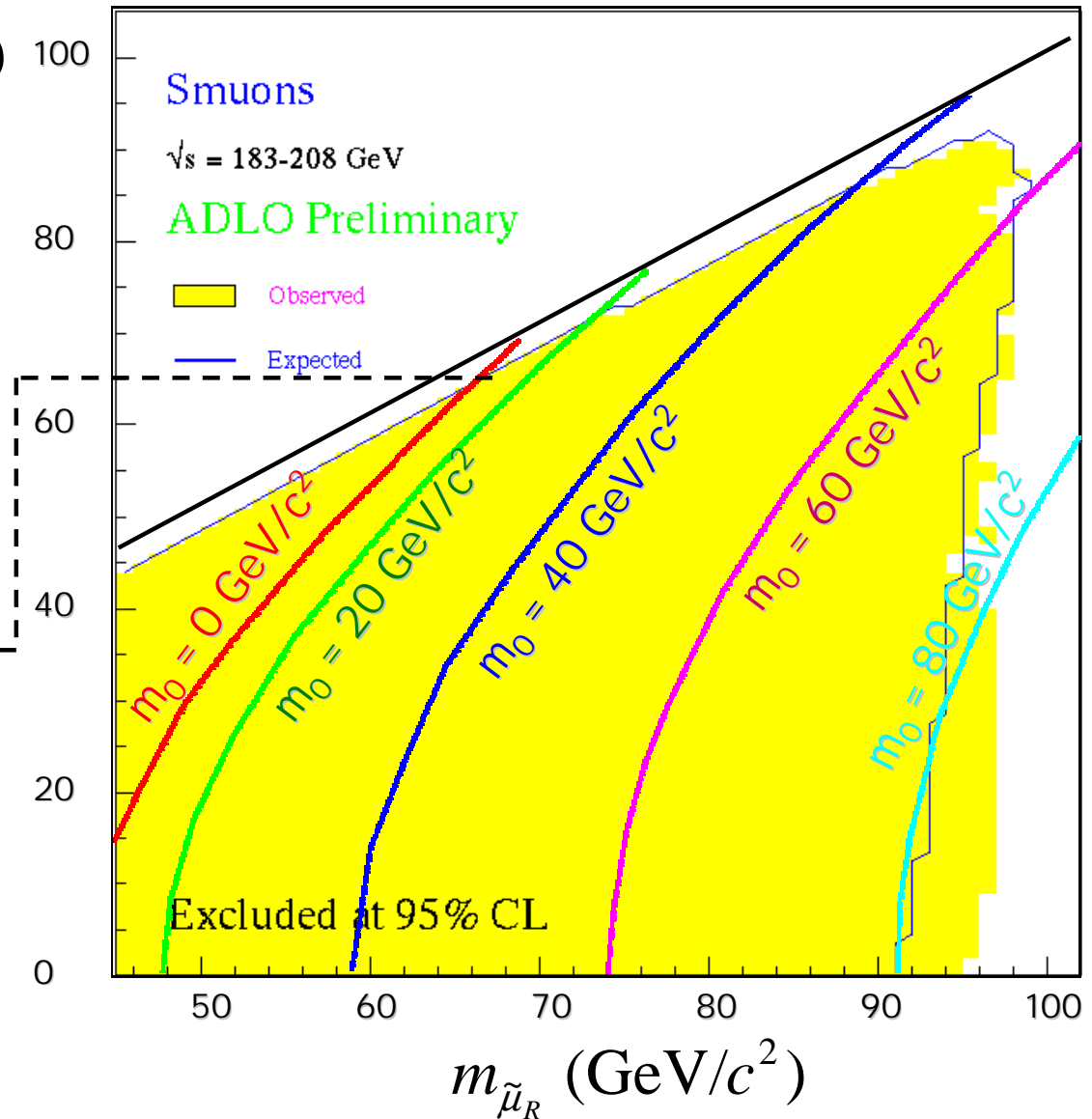
Interpretation: LSP Mass Lower Limit (II)

➤ Small m_0 ($\leq 60 \text{ GeV}/c^2$)

$$m_{\ell_R}^2 = m_0^2 + 0.15m_{1/2}^2 + m_Z^2 \sin^2 \vartheta_W |\cos 2\beta|$$

- ⇒ A limit on the slepton mass can constrain $m_{1/2}$;
- ⇒ ... and therefore $m(\chi_1^0)$
- ⇒ $m(\chi_1^0) > 65 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ ALDO (small m_0)
- ⇒ But the limit starts to vanish for m_0 in excess of $60 \text{ GeV}/c^2$.

$m_{\chi_1^0} \text{ (GeV}/c^2)$



Interpretation: LSP Mass Lower Limit (III)

➤ Moderate m_0 (60-80 GeV/c²)

ALEPH (1997)

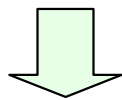
⇒ Chargino cross section may vanish (neg've interference) in a (M_2, μ) corridor

⇒ Neutralinos may become invisible:

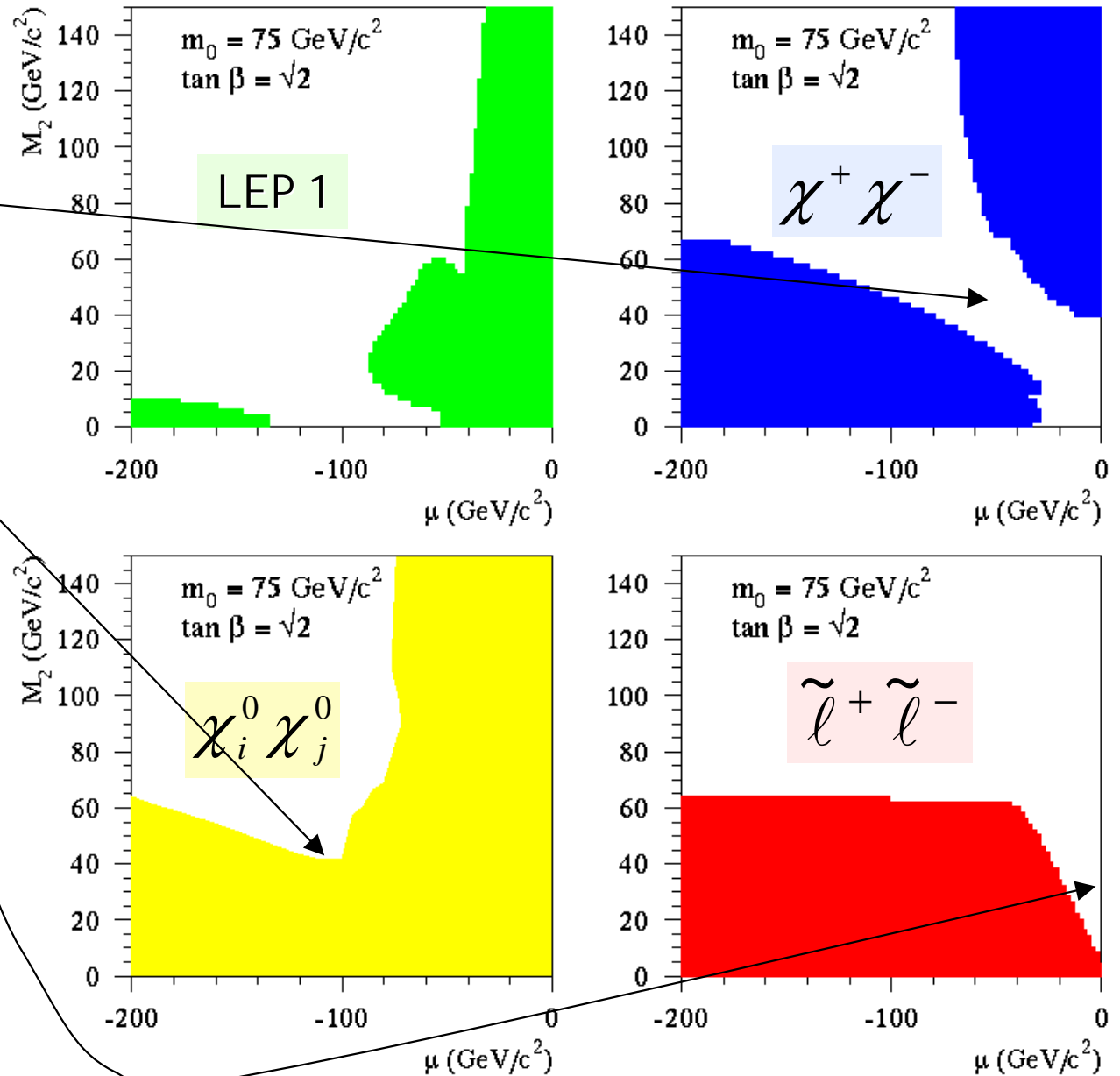
$$\chi_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\nu} \bar{\nu} \rightarrow \chi_1^0 \nu \bar{\nu}$$

⇒ The limit from sleptons slowly vanishes due to limited centre-of mass energy;

⇒ Weaker constraint from each of the searches on the LSP mass

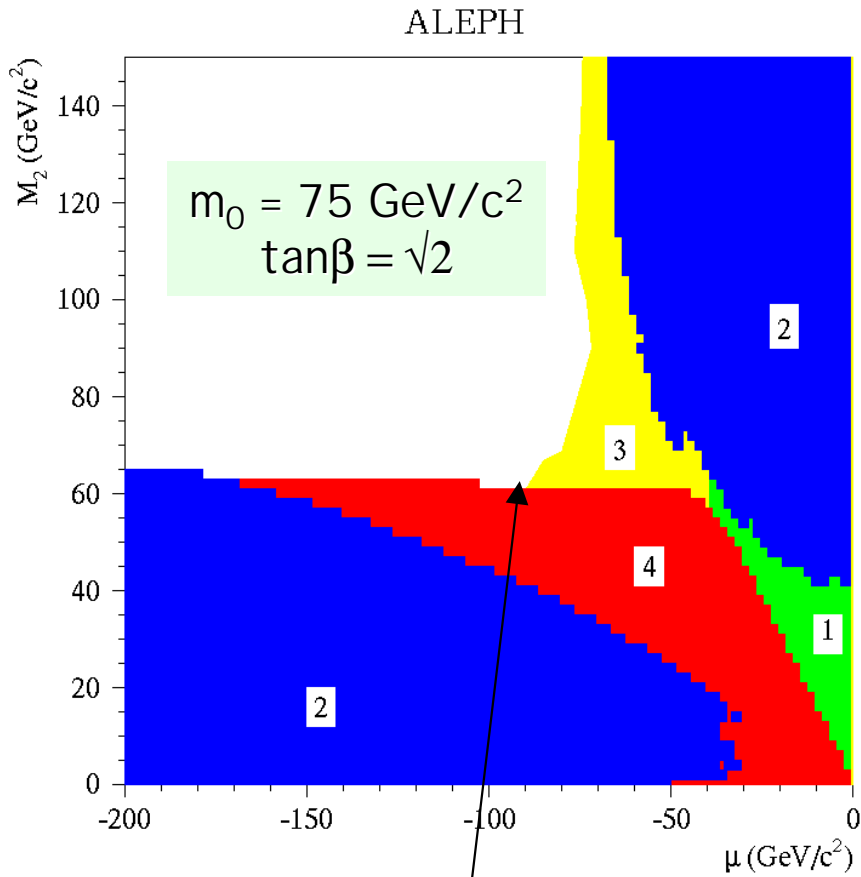


COMBINE THEM ALL !

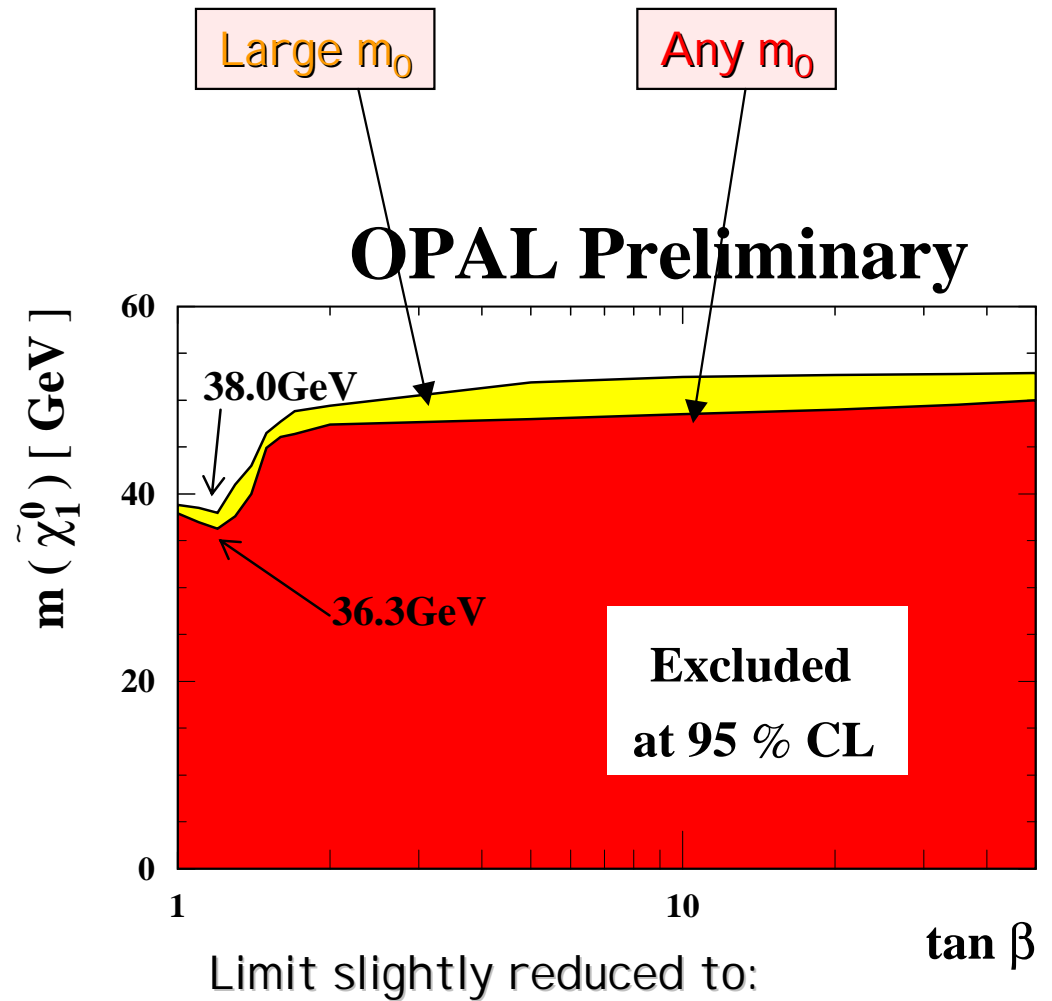


Interpretation: LSP Mass Lower Limit (I V)

With all searches combined



Get an m_0 -independent limit on $m_{1/2}$, i.e., on the LSP mass, for each value of $\tan\beta$.



$m(\tilde{\chi}_1^0) > 36.3 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ OPAL
 $m(\tilde{\chi}_1^0) > 38.7 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ DELPHI

obtained for small $\tan\beta$ values

Interpretation: LSP Mass Lower Limit (VI)

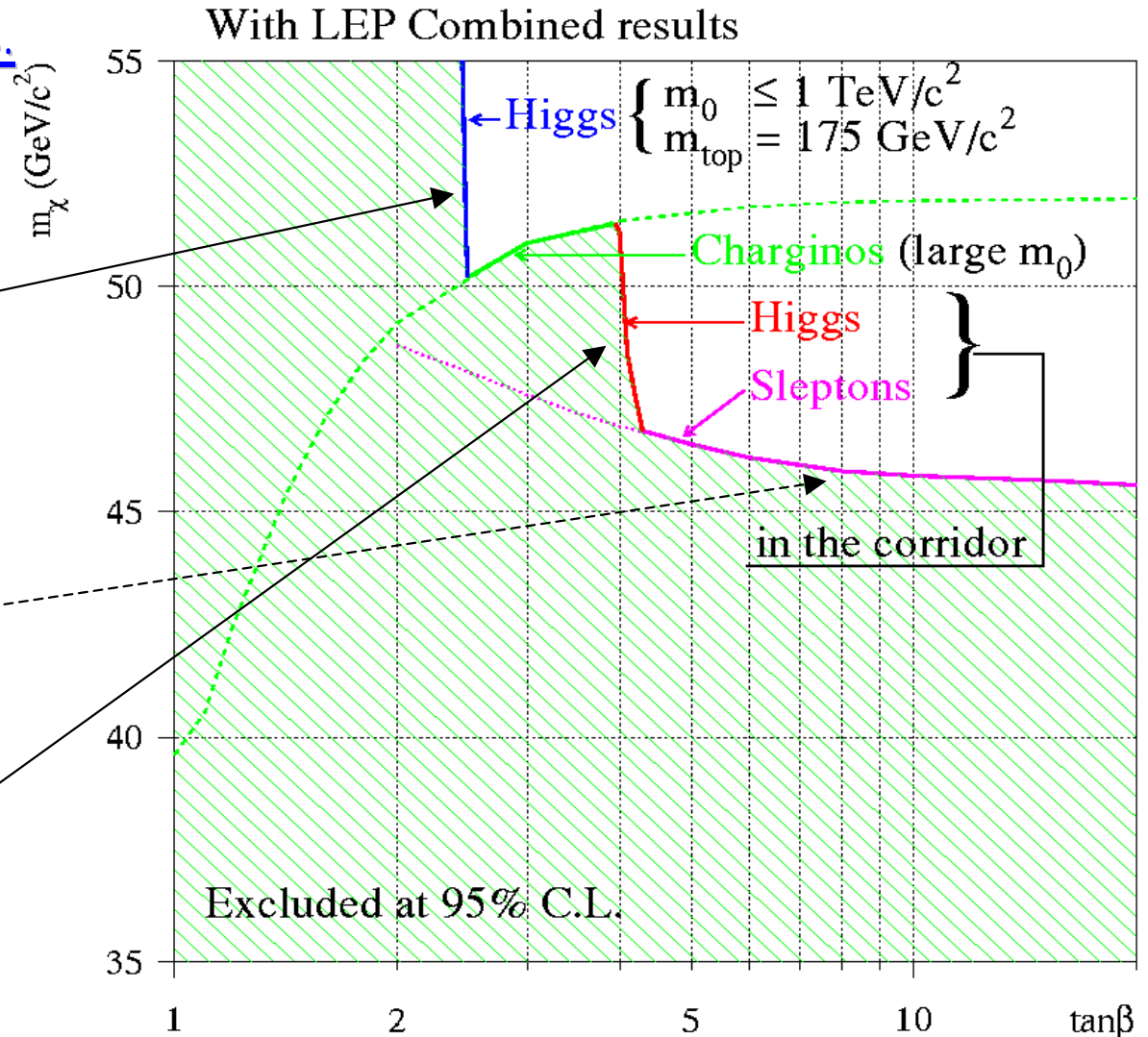
➤ Impact of the Higgs searches.

⇒ The small $\tan\beta$ values (up to 2.4) are covered by the hZ searches for all m_0 values up to 1 TeV/c²;

⇒ For large $\tan\beta$ values, there is no absolute limit from Higgs searches. The LSP mass limit is set by slepton searches in the "corridor" (small m_0)

⇒ While $\tan\beta$ decreases, Higgs searches start playing a role again in the corridor (small $m_0 \Leftrightarrow$ smaller rad. corr. to m_h , thus excluded by searches)

⇒ Stronger overall limit on the LSP mass (in the C-MSSM).



$$m(\chi_1^0) > 46 \text{ GeV}/c^2 \quad \text{ALDO}$$

Interpretation: Constraints in mSUGRA (I)

In mSUGRA, the Higgs boson mass itself (not only the radiative corrections to the Higgs boson mass) is fixed by m_0 and $m_{1/2}$.

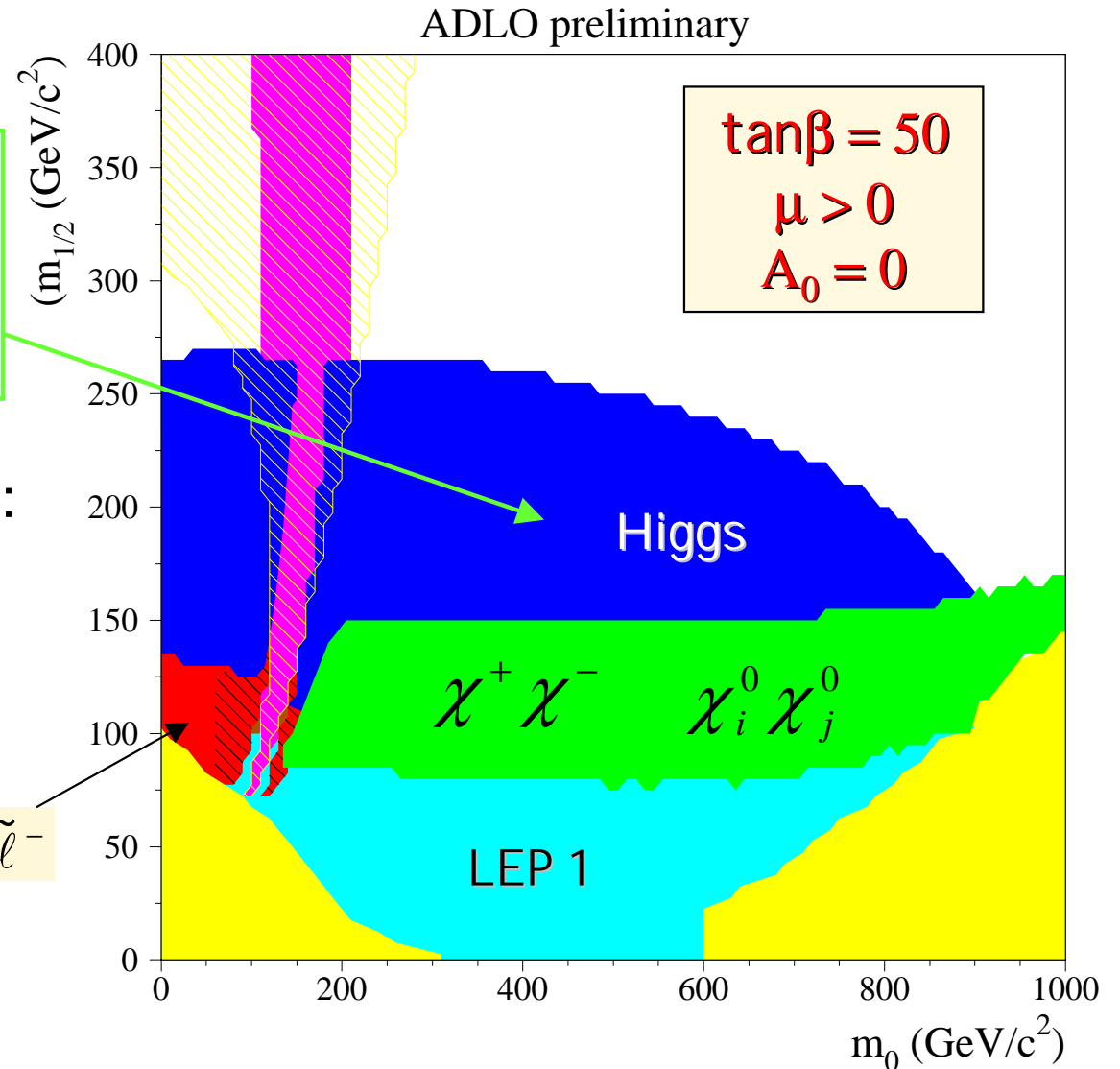
For moderate m_0 , $m_{1/2}$, the Higgs Boson mass remains accessible to LEP searches even at large values of $\tan\beta$.

Scan of the $(m_{1/2}, m_0)$ plane:

Regions excluded by:

1. *Theory*
2. *Z width ($\Delta\Gamma$)*
3. *Charginos, Neutralinos*
4. *Sleptons*
5. *Higgs*
6. *Stable heavy charged*

$\tilde{\ell}^+ \tilde{\ell}^-$



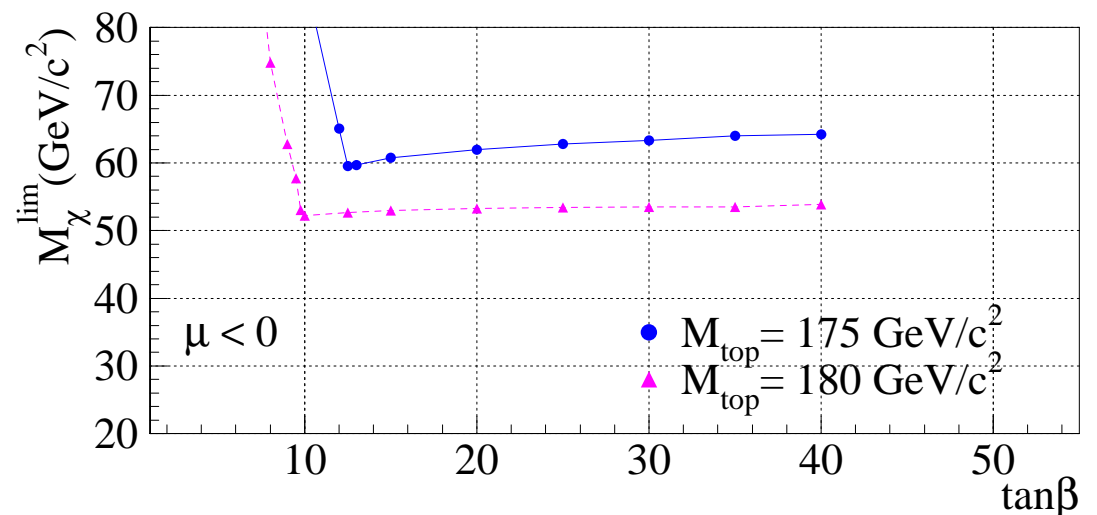
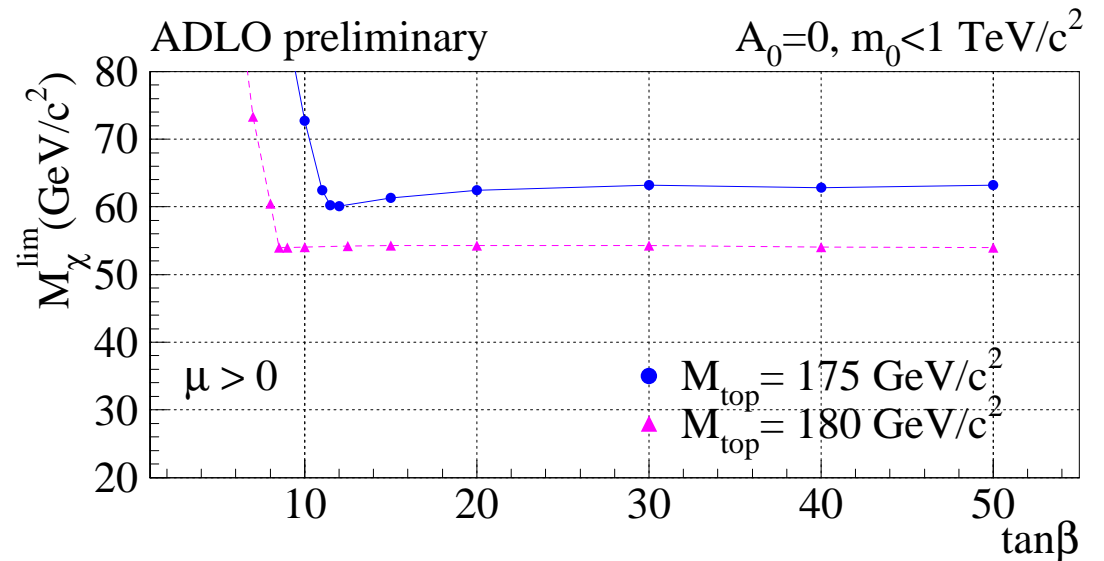
Interpretation: Constraints in mSUGRA (II)

Scan in the $m_{1/2}, m_0, \tan \beta, A_0$ space

Even tighter limit on the LSP mass when the mSUGRA constraints are enforced.

$$m(\chi_1^0) \geq 55 - 60 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

at 95% C.L.



Conclusions of the 3rd Lecture

Twelve years of searches at LEP put severe constraints on Supersymmetry

➤ In mSUGRA: $m(\chi_1^0) \geq 55 - 60 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ (with a lot of theoretical assumptions)

➤ In the C-MSSM (SUSY + GUT mass relations):

$$m(\chi_1^0) \geq 46 \text{ GeV}/c^2, \quad m(\chi^\pm) \geq 91 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$
$$m(\tilde{e}) \geq 77 \text{ GeV}/c^2, \quad m(\tilde{\mu}) \geq 83 \text{ GeV}/c^2, \quad m(\tilde{\tau}) \geq 65 \text{ GeV}/c^2$$

➤ In the MSSM:

$$m(\chi_1^0) \geq 40 \text{ GeV}/c^2 \quad \text{for heavy sfermions and with gaugino mass unification}$$
$$m(h) \geq 91 \text{ GeV}/c^2 \quad \tan \beta \geq 2.4$$

➤ But much weaker LSP limit in the MSSM with light sfermions

➤ No LSP limit without gaugino mass unification

➤ No LSP limit with other SUSY breaking mechanism (e.g., AMSB)

Overall Conclusion: The LEP/SLD Legacy

- ❑ LEP and SLD led to unprecedented precision tests of the electroweak symmetry breaking mechanism, favouring a rather light Higgs boson (between 114 and 222 GeV/c² at 95% CL in the Standard Model).
- ❑ In this respect, the Standard Model has been very successful and was shown to be internally very consistent, up to a precision of 0.1%.
- ❑ Notwithstanding these successes, the Standard Model suffers from conceptual diseases, which can be cured in practice (with today's theoretical knowledge) by Supersymmetry only.
- ❑ Amazingly enough, several experimental hints of Supersymmetry were observed by LEP and SLD. (Mostly indirect, with maybe a light Higgs boson with mass 115.6 ± 1.0 GeV/c², just in the range predicted by SUSY)
- ❑ However, Supersymmetry is already very constrained by LEP1 and LEP2 searches: $m_h > 91$ GeV/c², $\tan\beta > 2.4$. If GUT mass relations are assumed in the MSSM, the LSP mass exceeds 46 GeV/c² at 95% CL.
- ❑ Direct evidence for SUSY is expected to show up soon (Tevatron, LHC, NLC)