

Ambiguities in super-particle mass determinations

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LHC-ILC

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Assume Supersymmetry realized at the LHC/ILC

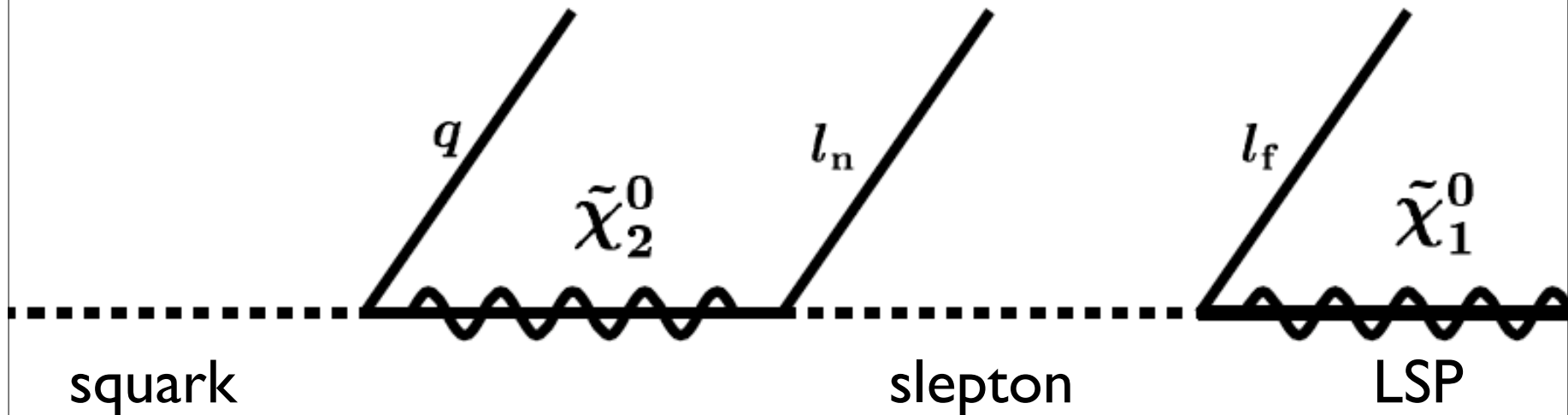
LHC: determine mass *differences* up to high values

ILC: can determine LSP mass with high precision

Synergy:

ILC provides more precision of masses determined at the LHC, and can resolve ambiguities in such mass measurements

“Easy” SPS Ia squark cascade



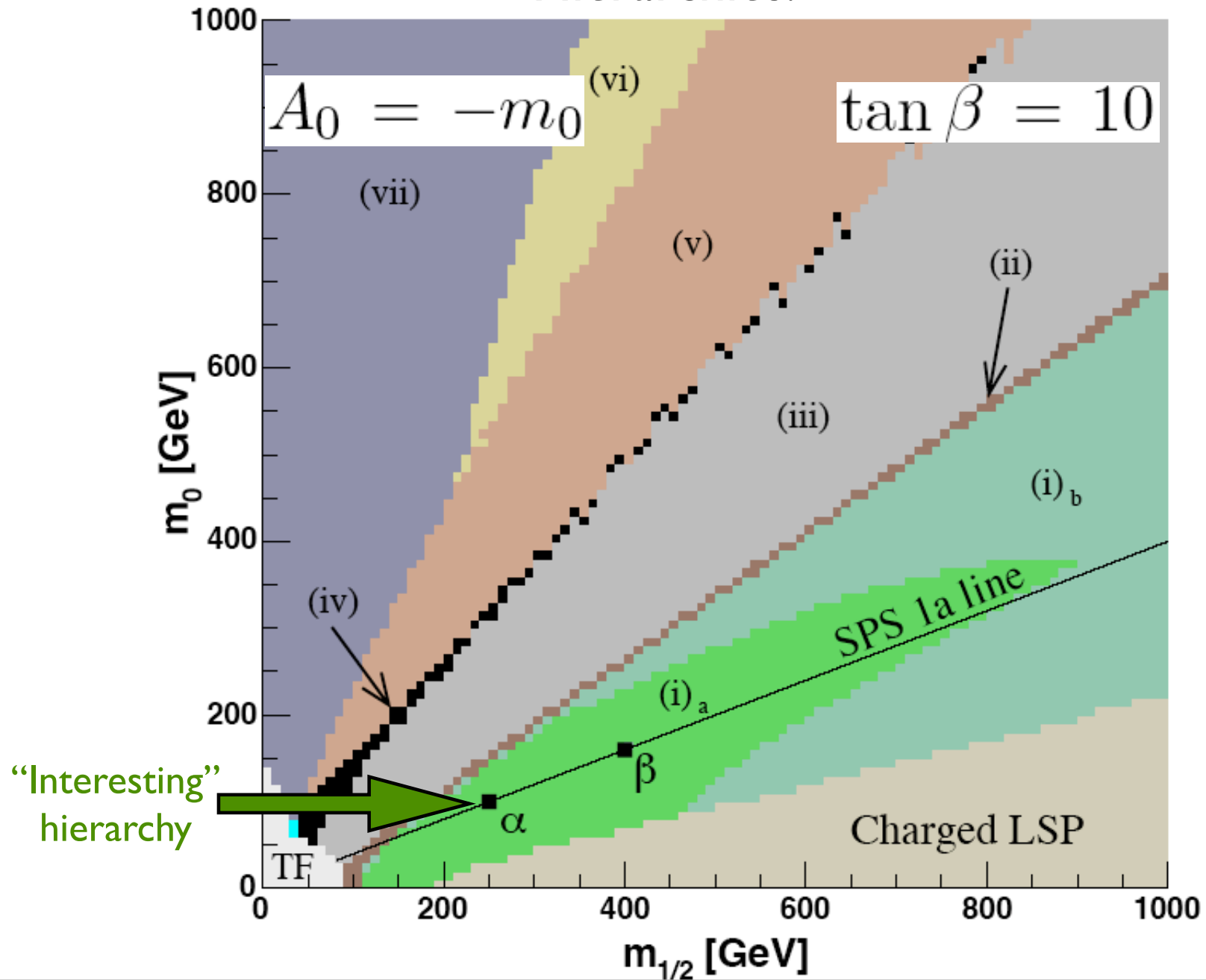
Detect: **quark jet** and **two leptons**

Aim: determine **squark**, **slepton** and **neutralino masses**

Question: Is this mass hierarchy “typical”?

Want “heavy” gluino and “heavy” neutralino $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$

Hierarchies:



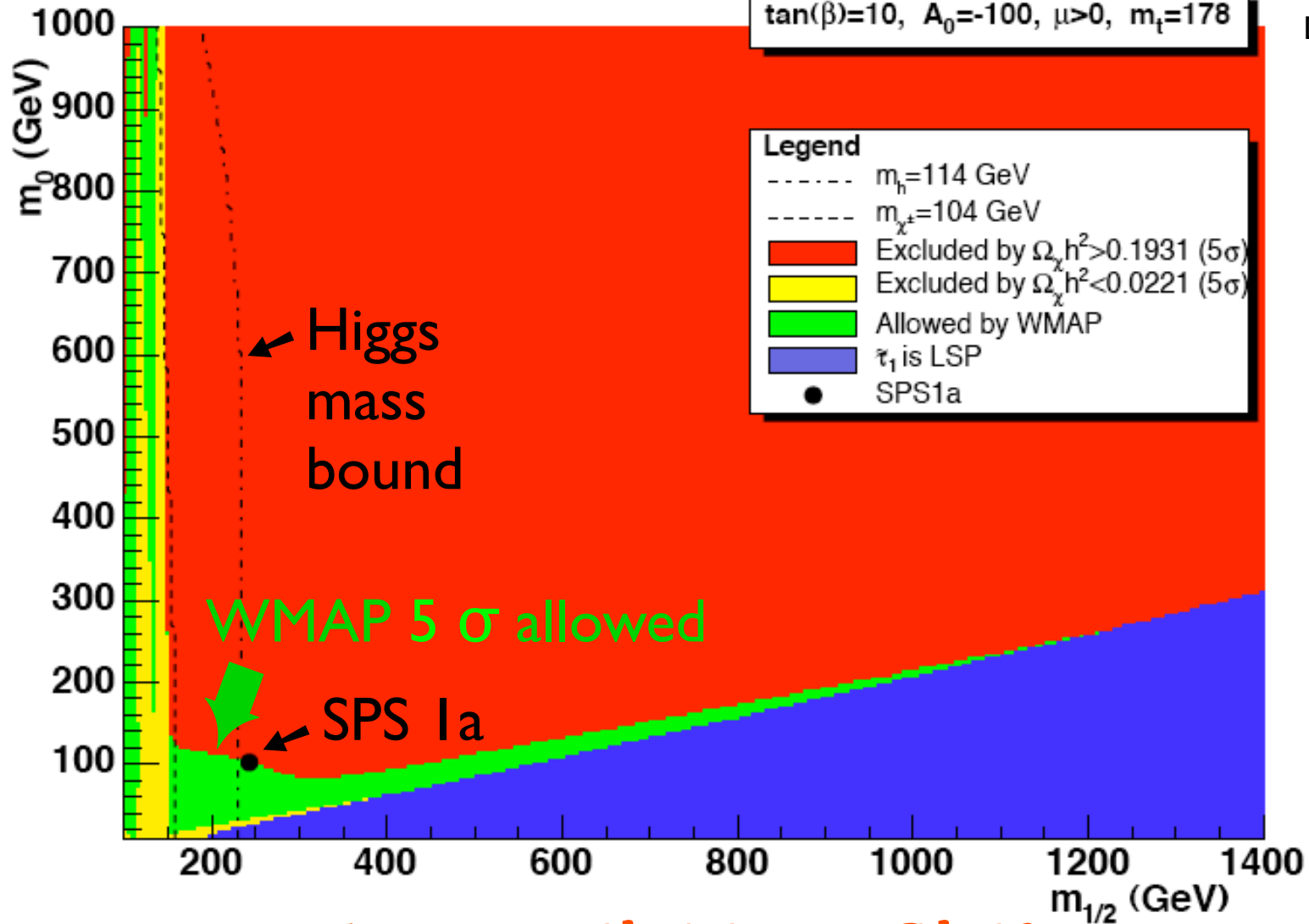
WMAP & LEP constraints

WMAP constraints

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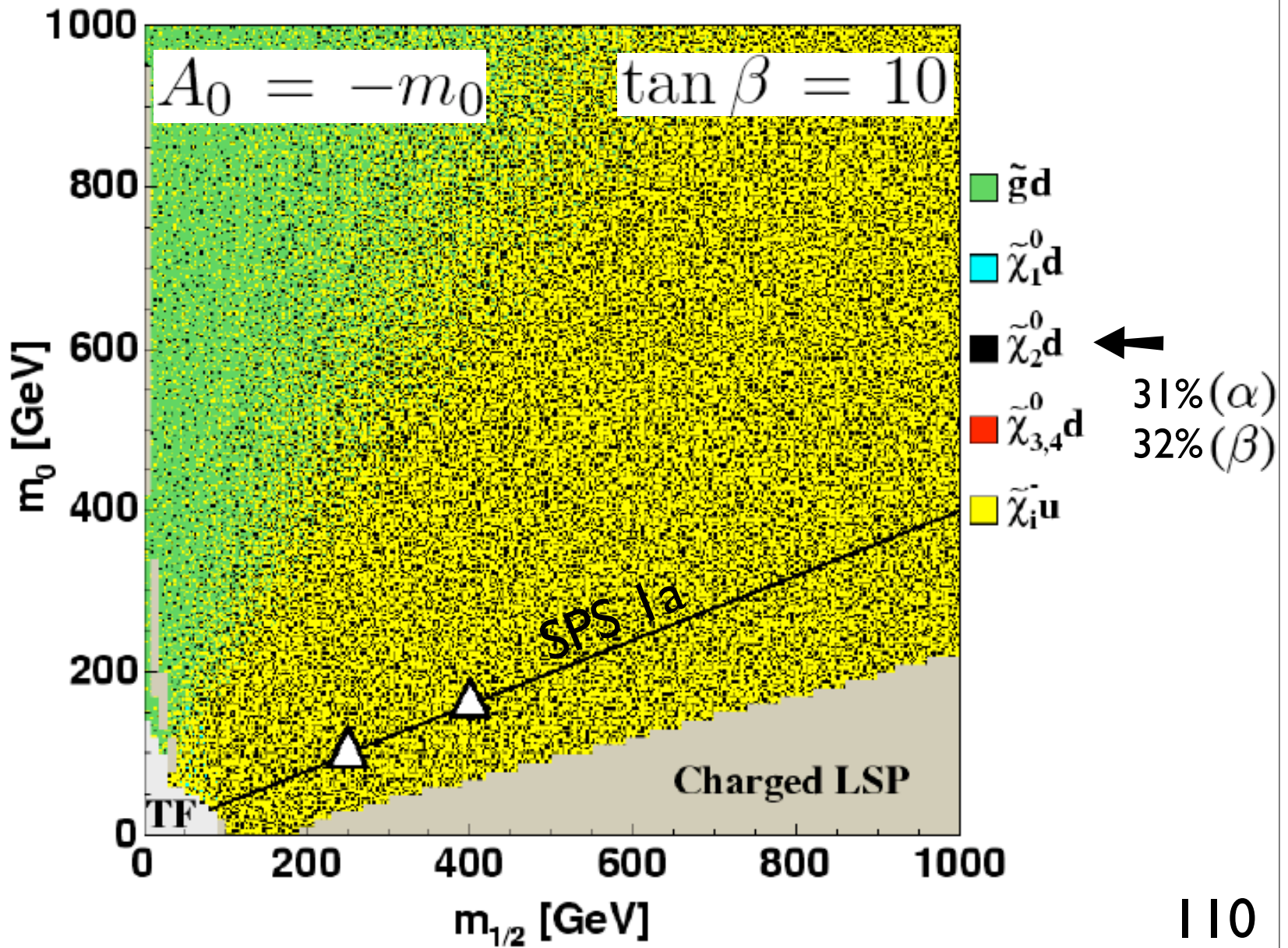
$\tan(\beta)=10, A_0=-100, \mu>0, m_t=178$

DarkSusy
ISASUSY



Ignore slight conflict!

Squark Branching Ratios (\tilde{u}_L)



SPS Ia (line)

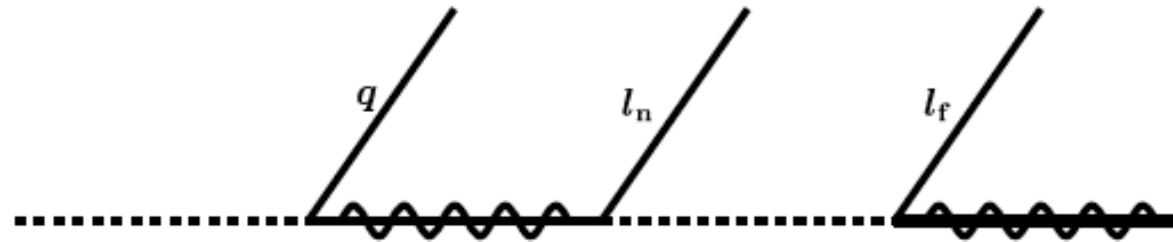
$$m_0 = -A_0 = 0.4 m_{1/2}$$
$$\tan \beta = 10, \quad \mu > 0$$

Two particular points on the line:

$$(\alpha) : \quad m_0 = 100 \text{ GeV}, \quad m_{1/2} = 250 \text{ GeV}$$

$$(\beta) : \quad m_0 = 160 \text{ GeV}, \quad m_{1/2} = 400 \text{ GeV}$$

Quantifying the cascade:

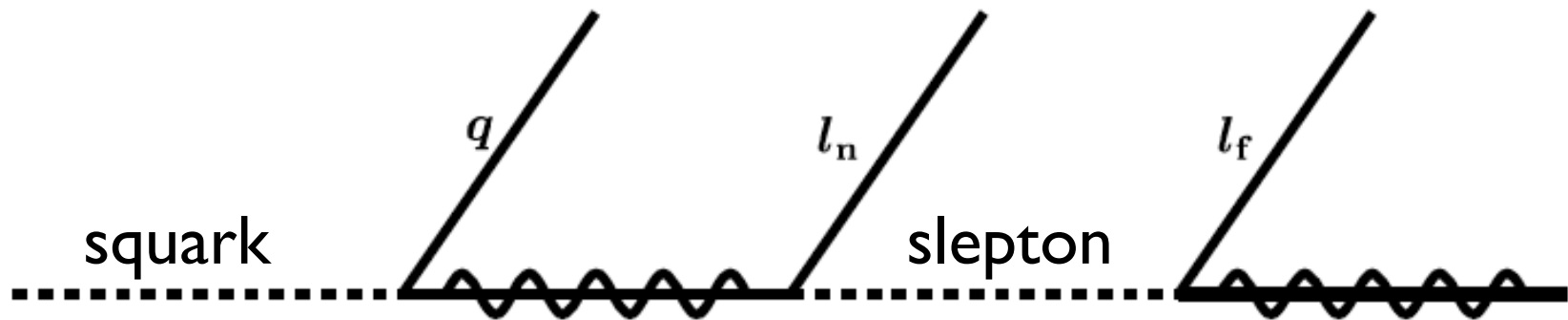


(α)	$\sigma = 32.8 \text{ pb}$	\tilde{q}_L	31.4%	}	$\tilde{\chi}_2^0$	12.1%	\tilde{l}_R	100%	$\tilde{\chi}_1^0$	1245 fb
	$\sigma = 7.7 \text{ pb}$	\tilde{b}_1	35.5%							329 fb
	$\sigma = 4.3 \text{ pb}$	\tilde{b}_2	18.0%							94 fb
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(β)	$\sigma = 3.21 \text{ pb}$	\tilde{q}_L	31.9%	}	$\tilde{\chi}_2^0$	5.3%	\tilde{l}_R	100%	$\tilde{\chi}_1^0$	54.3 fb
	$\sigma = 0.50 \text{ pb}$	\tilde{b}_1	23.6%							6.3 fb
	$\sigma = 0.31 \text{ pb}$	\tilde{b}_2	8.8%							1.5 fb
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Reduction (rate and BR) from (α) to (β)

squark cascade decay:

$$\tilde{q}_L \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_2^0 q \rightarrow \tilde{l}_R q l_n \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 q l_n l_f$$



More invariants and endpoints:

$$m_{qll} \quad m_{ql_n} \quad m_{ql_f} \quad m_{ll}$$

Four endpoints and four masses:

$$m_{\tilde{q}_L} \quad m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} \quad m_{\tilde{l}_R} \quad m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$$

B.C.Allanach et al, hep-ph/0007009 (conditions rephrased):

$$(m_{ll}^{\max})^2 = \frac{(m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 - m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2)(m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2)}{m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2}$$

one case

mass ratios of adjacent
sparticles in chain

$$(m_{ql}^{\max})^2 = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \frac{(m_{\tilde{q}_L}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2)(m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2)}{m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2} & \text{for } \frac{m_{\tilde{q}_L}}{m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}} > \frac{m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}}{m_{\tilde{l}_R}} \frac{m_{\tilde{l}_R}}{m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}} \quad (1) \\ \frac{(m_{\tilde{q}_L}^2 m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2)(m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 - m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2)}{m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2} & \text{for } \frac{m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}}{m_{\tilde{l}_R}} > \frac{m_{\tilde{l}_R}}{m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}} \frac{m_{\tilde{q}_L}}{m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}} \quad (2) \\ \frac{(m_{\tilde{q}_L}^2 - m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2)(m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2)}{m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2} & \text{for } \frac{m_{\tilde{l}_R}}{m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}} > \frac{m_{\tilde{q}_L}}{m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}} \frac{m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}}{m_{\tilde{l}_R}} \quad (3) \\ (m_{\tilde{q}_L} - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0})^2 & \text{otherwise} \quad (4) \end{array} \right.$$

four cases

$$(m_{ql(\text{low})}^{\max}, m_{ql(\text{high})}^{\max}) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} (m_{ql_n}^{\max}, m_{ql_f}^{\max}) & \text{for } 2m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2 > m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2 + m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 > 2m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} \quad (1) \\ (m_{ql(\text{eq})}^{\max}, m_{ql_f}^{\max}) & \text{for } m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2 + m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 > 2m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2 > 2m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} \quad (2) \\ (m_{ql(\text{eq})}^{\max}, m_{ql_n}^{\max}) & \text{for } m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2 + m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 > 2m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} > 2m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2 \quad (3) \end{array} \right.$$

three cases

where

$$(m_{ql_n}^{\max})^2 = \frac{(m_{\tilde{q}_L}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2)(m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 - m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2)}{m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2}$$

$$(m_{ql_f}^{\max})^2 = \frac{(m_{\tilde{q}_L}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2)(m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2)}{m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2}$$

$$(m_{ql(eq)}^{\max})^2 = \frac{(m_{\tilde{q}_L}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2)(m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2)}{(2m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2)}$$

Finally:

$$(m_{qll(\theta > \frac{\pi}{2})}^{\min})^2 = \left[(m_{\tilde{q}_L}^2 + m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2)(m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 - m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2)(m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2) \right. \\ \left. - (m_{\tilde{q}_L}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2) \sqrt{(m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 + m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2)^2 (m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2 + m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2)^2 - 16m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 m_{\tilde{l}_R}^4 m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2} \right. \\ \left. + 2m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2 (m_{\tilde{q}_L}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2)(m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2) \right] (4m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2 m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2)^{-1} \quad \text{one case}$$

θ is opening angle between leptons in \tilde{l}_R rest frame

Over-all: 4×3 cases, denoted (1,1), (1,2), etc.

(9 of 12 are realized)

Complication 1:

The two leptons can not be distinguished

For each event, form

$$m_{ql(\text{low})} < m_{ql(\text{high})} \quad \text{well defined}$$

Complication 2:

For some invariants, there are multiple cases:
endpoint formula depends on mass ratios

Complication 3:

Multiple squark masses; widths

Complication 4:

Endpoints not always linearly independent

Inverting endpoint formulas

Endpoint formulas can be inverted

Complications:

nonlinear (rational, sqrt)
several cases (mass regions)

m_{ql}^{\max} four cases

$m_{ql(\text{low})}^{\max}, m_{ql(\text{high})}^{\max}$ three cases

Example:

Region (1,1):

m_{ql}^{\max}

$m_{ql(\text{low})}^{\max}, m_{ql(\text{high})}^{\max}$

$$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2 = \frac{(b^2 - d^2)(b^2 - c^2)}{(c^2 + d^2 - b^2)^2} a^2$$

$$m_{\tilde{l}_R}^2 = \frac{c^2(b^2 - c^2)}{(c^2 + d^2 - b^2)^2} a^2$$

$$m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 = \frac{c^2 d^2}{(c^2 + d^2 - b^2)^2} a^2$$

$$m_{\tilde{q}_L}^2 = \frac{c^2 d^2}{(c^2 + d^2 - b^2)^2} (c^2 + d^2 - b^2 + a^2)$$

$$a = m_{ll}^{\max}, \quad b = m_{ql}^{\max}, \quad c = m_{ql(\text{low})}^{\max}, \quad d = m_{ql(\text{high})}^{\max}.$$

Inverting endpt formulas, cont

- If 4 endpts & 4 masses, (if linear) unique solution
- May have more endpts, system overconstrained
- Endpts have (different) uncertainties
- Use inversion formulas for start point of fit
- Composite formulas: multiple solutions!

LHC simulation

- ISAJET 7.58 defines low-energy model
- PYTHIA 6.2 with CTEQ 5L: Monte Carlo sample
- ATLFast 2.60 simulates ATLAS detector
- precuts:
 - At least three jets, satisfying: $p_T^{\text{jet}} > 150, 100, 50 \text{ GeV}$
 - $E_{T,\text{miss}} > \max(100 \text{ GeV}, 0.2M_{\text{eff}})$
with $M_{\text{eff}} \equiv E_{T,\text{miss}} + \sum_{i=1}^3 p_{T,i}^{\text{jet}}$
 - Two isolated opposite-sign same-flavour leptons (e or μ),
satisfying $p_T^{\text{lep}} > 20, 10 \text{ GeV}$

SM background: 95% $t\bar{t}$

Aim: determine/study expected accuracy

Extraction of masses

- simulate 10,000 ATLAS ‘experiments’
- focus on statistical uncertainty
- each endpoint: gaussian distribution
- invert endpoint formulas, fit masses
- what is chance of finding correct minimum?

Following Allanach et al, each endpt E_i^{exp} taken as:

$$E_i^{\text{exp}} = E_i^{\text{nom}} + A_i \sigma_i^{\text{stat}} + B \sigma_i^{\text{scale}}$$

A, B picked from gaussian distribution, mean 0, width 1

One A for each endpoint,

one B for m_{ll} , other B for endpoints involving jets

determine masses

Minimize:

$$\Sigma = [\mathbf{E}^{\text{exp}} - \mathbf{E}^{\text{th}}(\mathbf{m})]^T \mathbf{W} [\mathbf{E}^{\text{exp}} - \mathbf{E}^{\text{th}}(\mathbf{m})]$$

\mathbf{W} inverse error/correlation matrix

SPS Ia (α) $\Delta\Sigma \leq 1$

nominal

correct fit

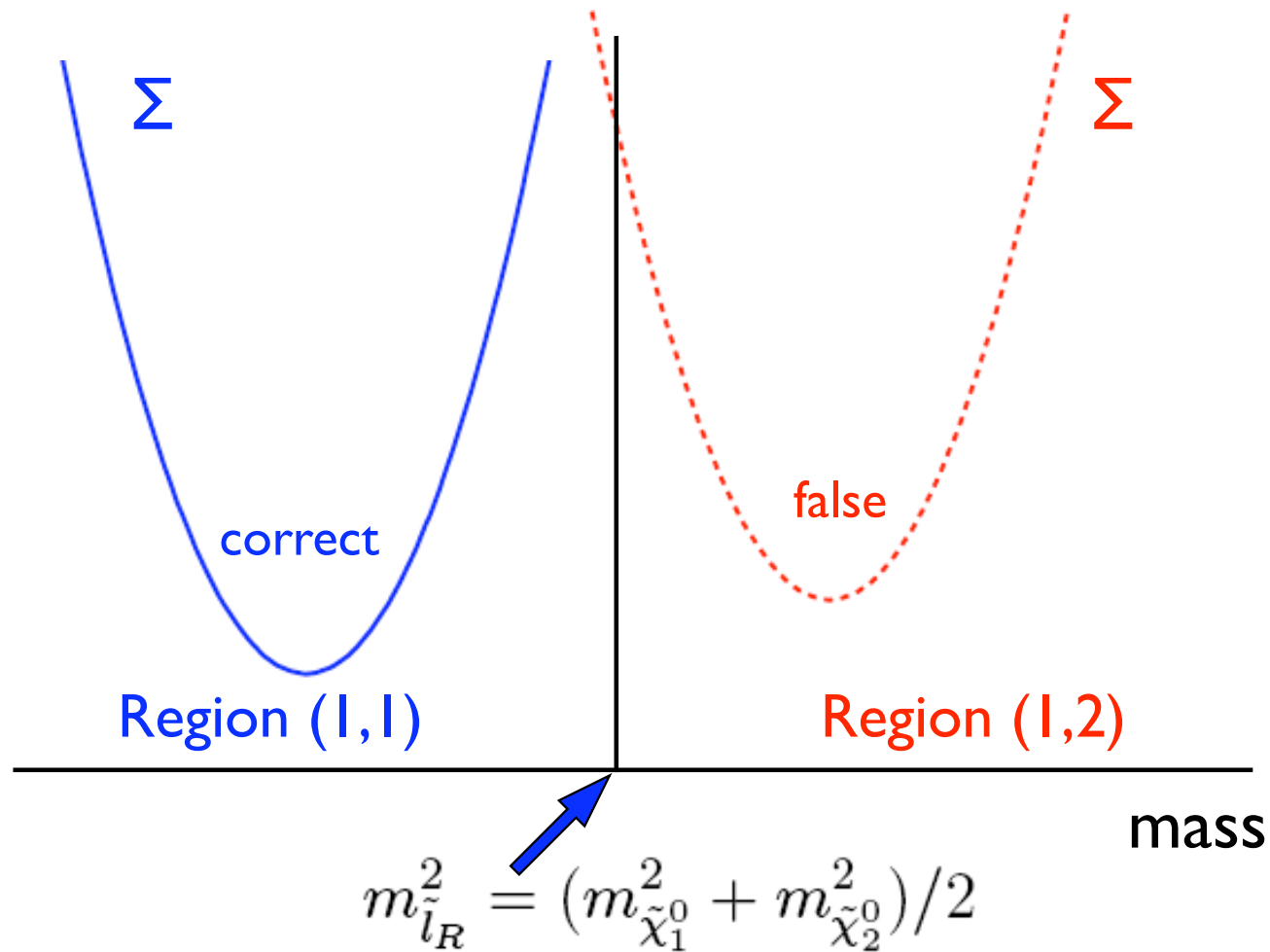
false fit

	Nom	$(1,1)$			$(1,2)$		
		$\langle m \rangle$	σ	γ_1	$\langle m \rangle$	σ	γ_1
$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$	96.1	96.3	3.8	0.2	85.3	3.4	0.1
$m_{\tilde{l}_R}$	143.0	143.2	3.8	0.2	130.4	3.7	0.1
$m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}$	176.8	177.0	3.7	0.2	165.5	3.4	0.1
$m_{\tilde{q}_L}$	537.2	537.5	6.1	0.1	523.2	5.1	0.1
$m_{\tilde{b}_1}$	491.9	492.4	13.4	0.0	469.6	13.3	0.1
$m_{\tilde{l}_R} - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$	46.9	46.9	0.3	0.0	45.1	0.7	-0.2
$m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$	80.8	80.8	0.2	0.0	80.2	0.3	-0.1
$m_{\tilde{q}_L} - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$	441.2	441.3	3.1	0.0	438.0	2.7	0.0
$m_{\tilde{b}_1} - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$	395.9	396.2	12.0	0.0	384.4	12.0	0.1

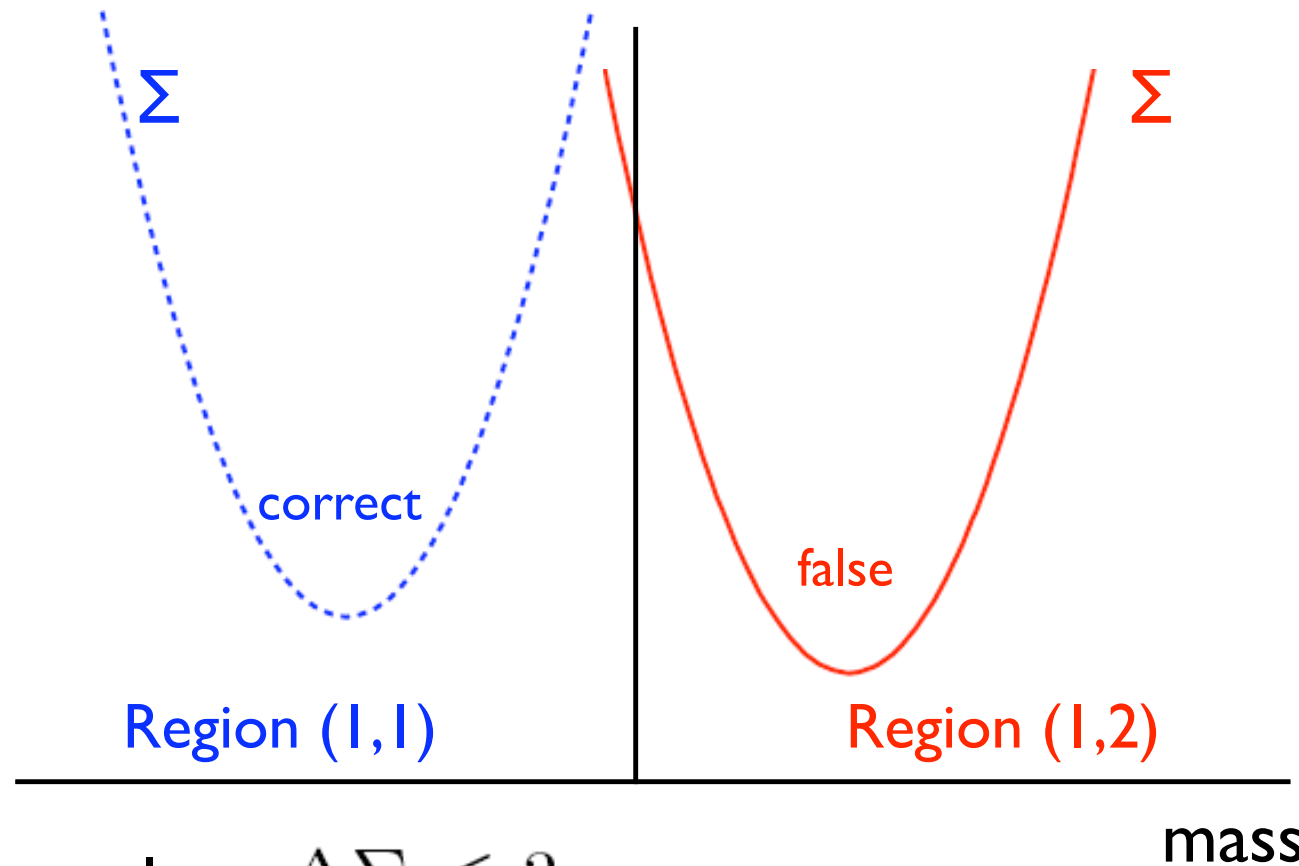
Note: Three lightest masses are very correlated

Problem due to compositeness of formulas:

If masses are close to border of 'region', may find a similar-quality or better minimum in 'other' region



Measurement 'error' may interchange minima



Example: $\Delta\Sigma \leq 3$

30% chance of finding *two* minima

SPS Ia $(\beta) \Delta\Sigma \leq 1$

more difficult than (α)

	Nom	(1,1)			1 solution			2 solutions					
		$\langle m \rangle$	σ	γ_1	$\langle m \rangle$	σ	γ_1	(1,2)			(1,3)		
		$\langle m \rangle$	σ	γ_1	$\langle m \rangle$	σ	γ_1	$\langle m \rangle$	σ	γ_1	$\langle m \rangle$	σ	γ_1
$\tilde{\chi}_1^0$	161	438	88	0.9	175	35	1.0	161	22	0.3	166	27	0.6
\tilde{l}_R	222	518	85	0.7	236	37	0.8	221	24	0.3	223	28	0.5
$\tilde{\chi}_2^0$	299	579	85	0.7	313	35	1.0	299	22	0.3	304	27	0.6
\tilde{q}_L	826	1146	104	0.8	843	44	0.9	826	30	0.3	835	36	0.5
$\tilde{l}_R - \tilde{\chi}_1^0$	61	81	1.8	-0.3	61	4.4	0.4	61	1.9	-0.2	57	1.3	-0.2
$\tilde{\chi}_2^0 - \tilde{\chi}_1^0$	138	141	0.9	0.1	138	0.6	0.2	138	0.5	0.0	138	0.5	0.0
$\tilde{q}_L - \tilde{\chi}_1^0$	665	708	17	0.1	668	10	0.5	665	9	0.1	669	10	0.2

false fit

“correct” fit
(three solns not resolved)

false fit

How likely is a **false** minimum?

Depends on cut $\Delta\Sigma$ (level of confidence)

SPS Ia (α)

	# Minima	(1,1)	(1,2)
$\Delta\Sigma \leq 0$	1.00	90%	10%
$\Delta\Sigma \leq 1$	1.12	94%	17%
$\Delta\Sigma \leq 3$	1.30	97%	33%
$\Delta\Sigma \leq \infty$	1.88	99%	88%

Example: $\Delta\Sigma \leq 3$

30% chance of finding *two* minima

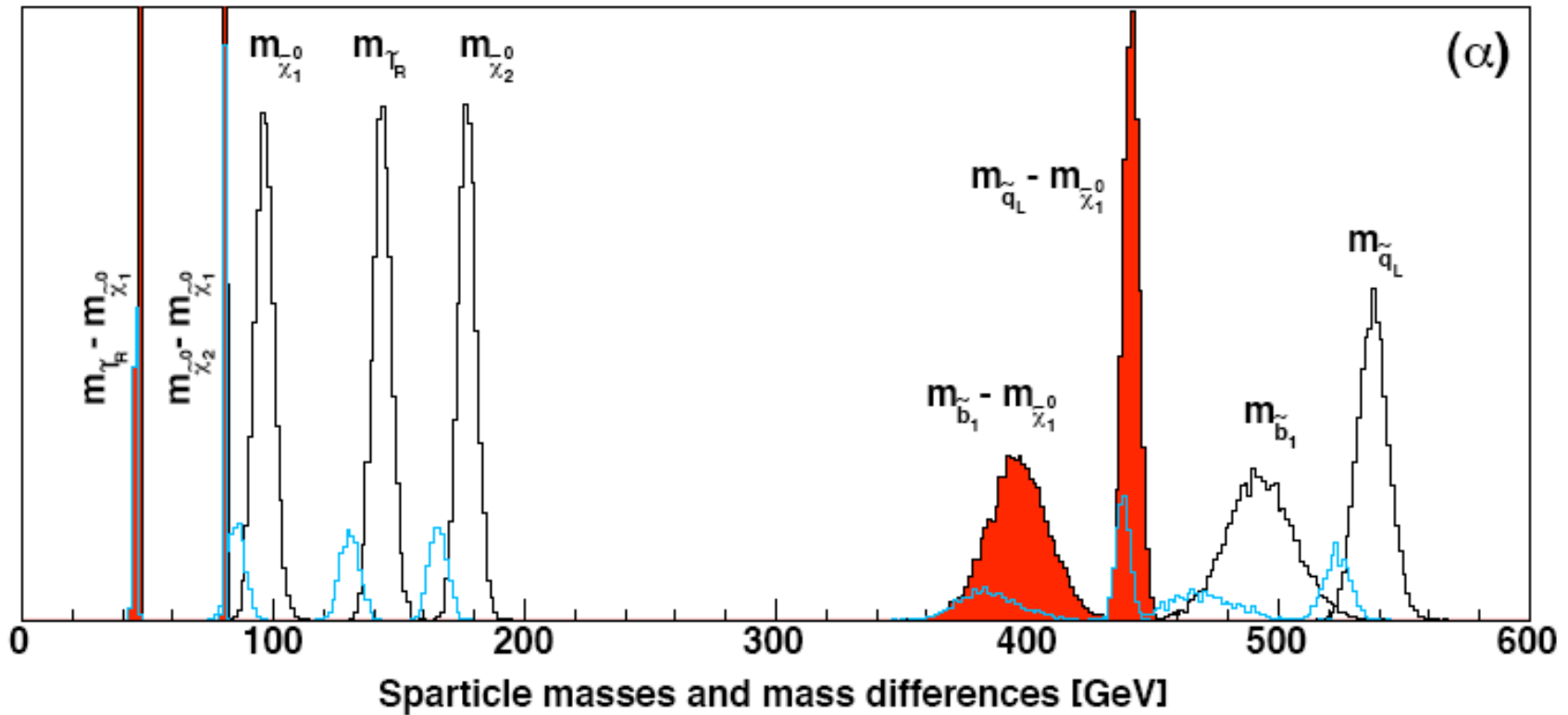
SPS Ia (β)

	# Min	(1,1)	(1,2)	1 sol (1,3)	B	2 sol (1,2)&(1,3)
$\Delta\Sigma \leq 0$	1.0	3%	60%	25%	12%	0%
$\Delta\Sigma \leq 1$	1.2	5%	52%	18%	12%	16%
$\Delta\Sigma \leq 3$	1.4	13%	46%	14%	12%	28%
$\Delta\Sigma \leq 99$	2.3	99%	41%	13%	12%	34%

non-negligible probability of finding wrong minimum

non-negligible probability of finding more than one minimum

Masses and mass differences



black: correct solution

red: mass differences

blue-green: false solution (area prop to probability)

LC input ("fixing" LSP mass)

SPS Ia (α)

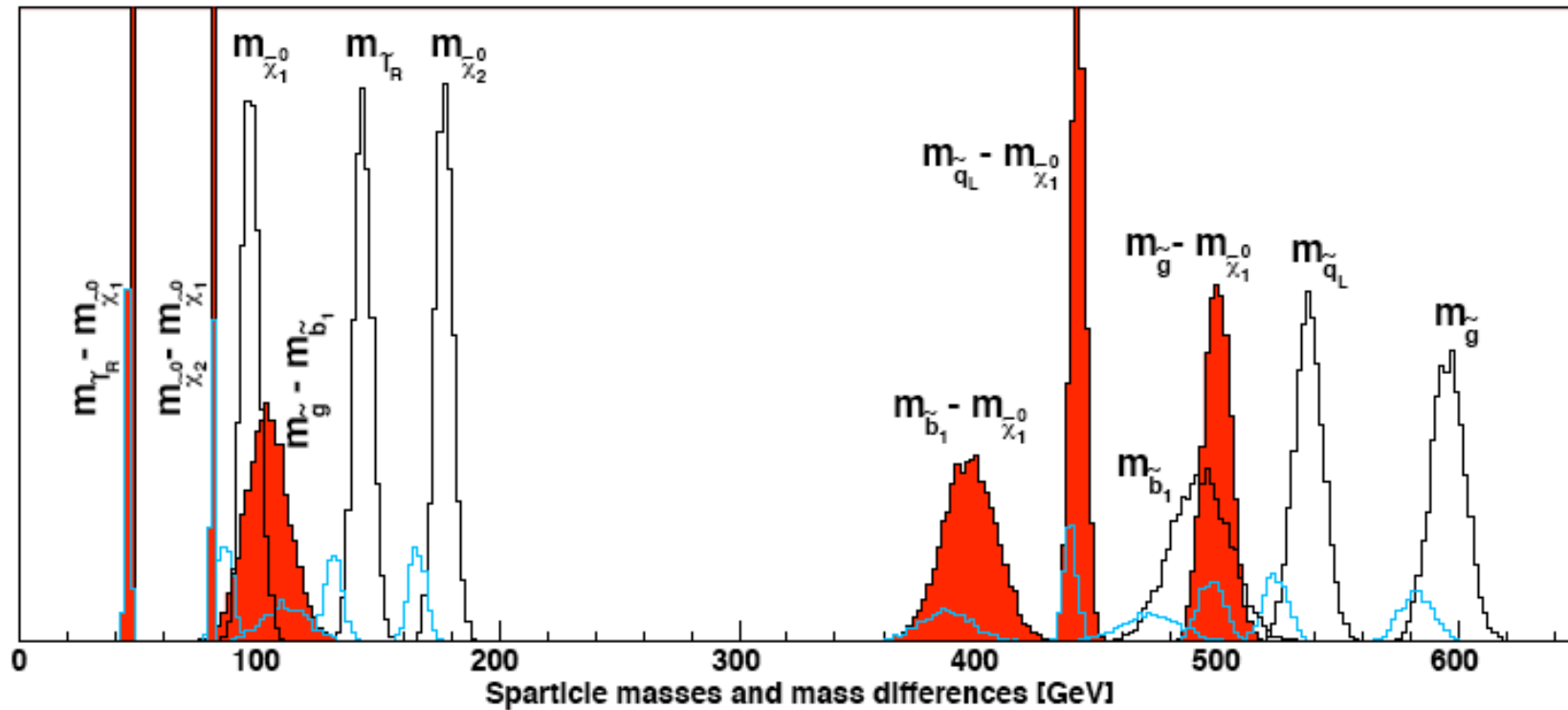
	Nom	$(1,1)$ $\langle m \rangle$	σ
$\tilde{\chi}_1^0$	96.05	96.05	0.05
\tilde{l}_R	142.97	142.97	0.29
$\tilde{\chi}_2^0$	176.82	176.82	0.17
\tilde{q}_L	537.25	537.2	2.5
\tilde{b}_1	491.92	492.1	11.7

Masses in GeV

SPS Ia (β)

	Nom	1 solution		2 solutions			
		$(1,2)/(1,3)/B$		$(1,2)$		$(1,3)$	
		$\langle m \rangle$	σ	$\langle m \rangle$	σ	$\langle m \rangle$	σ
$\tilde{\chi}_1^0$	161.02	161.02	0.05	161.02	0.05	161.02	0.05
\tilde{l}_R	221.86	221.15	3.26	222.22	1.32	217.48	1.01
$\tilde{\chi}_2^0$	299.05	299.15	0.57	299.11	0.53	299.05	0.52
\tilde{q}_L	826.29	826.1	6.3	825.9	5.8	828.6	5.5

Including gluino

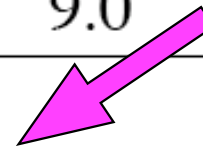


Masses less precise than **mass differences**

'Other' masses (not \tilde{g} and \tilde{b}_1) from squark analysis

SPS Ia (α)

	Nom	<i>(1,1)</i>	
		Mean	RMS
$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$	96.05	96.05	0.05
$m_{\tilde{l}_R}$	142.97	142.97	0.29
$m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}$	176.82	176.82	0.17
$m_{\tilde{q}_L}$	537.2	537.2	2.5
$m_{\tilde{b}_1}$	491.9	491.9	10.9
$m_{\tilde{g}}$	595.2	595.2	5.5
$m_{\tilde{g}} - m_{\tilde{b}_1}$	103.3	103.3	9.0



Mass values (all in GeV) from LHC+LC. Occurrences of *(1,2)* solutions are reduced to $\sim 1\%$, and left out.

Summary

- SPS 1a SUSY masses can be determined with precision 4-10 GeV
- Non-zero probability of fitting wrong minimum (could be off by 10-20 GeV)
- Gluino mass can be obtained using two b jets
- LC input on LSP mass ($\sigma = 50$ MeV) **removes ambiguity**
- LC input increases precision from 6 GeV (**~ 15 GeV if wrong minimum**) to 2.5 GeV