Low-Scale Gaugino Mediation and its LHC Signatures

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Outline

- "Typical" MSSM spectra

- Gaugino mediation at high and low scales

- A model

- LHC signatures

In most SUSY breaking scenarios, the squarks are as heavy or heavier than the gluinos and the sleptons as heavy or heavier than the charginos/neutralinos.

In gauge mediation, $\mathrm{m}_{\tilde{g}_i} \propto \frac{\alpha_i}{4\pi}\frac{F}{M}$ $\qquad \mathrm{m}^2_{\tilde{f}_i} \propto \left(\frac{\alpha_i}{4\pi}\frac{F}{M}\right)^2$

In any high-scale mediation the same thing happens due to the RG running

$$\frac{d}{d(log\mu)}m^2_{\tilde{f}_i} \propto -\frac{\alpha_i}{4\pi}m^2_{\tilde{g}_i}$$

Gaugino mediation

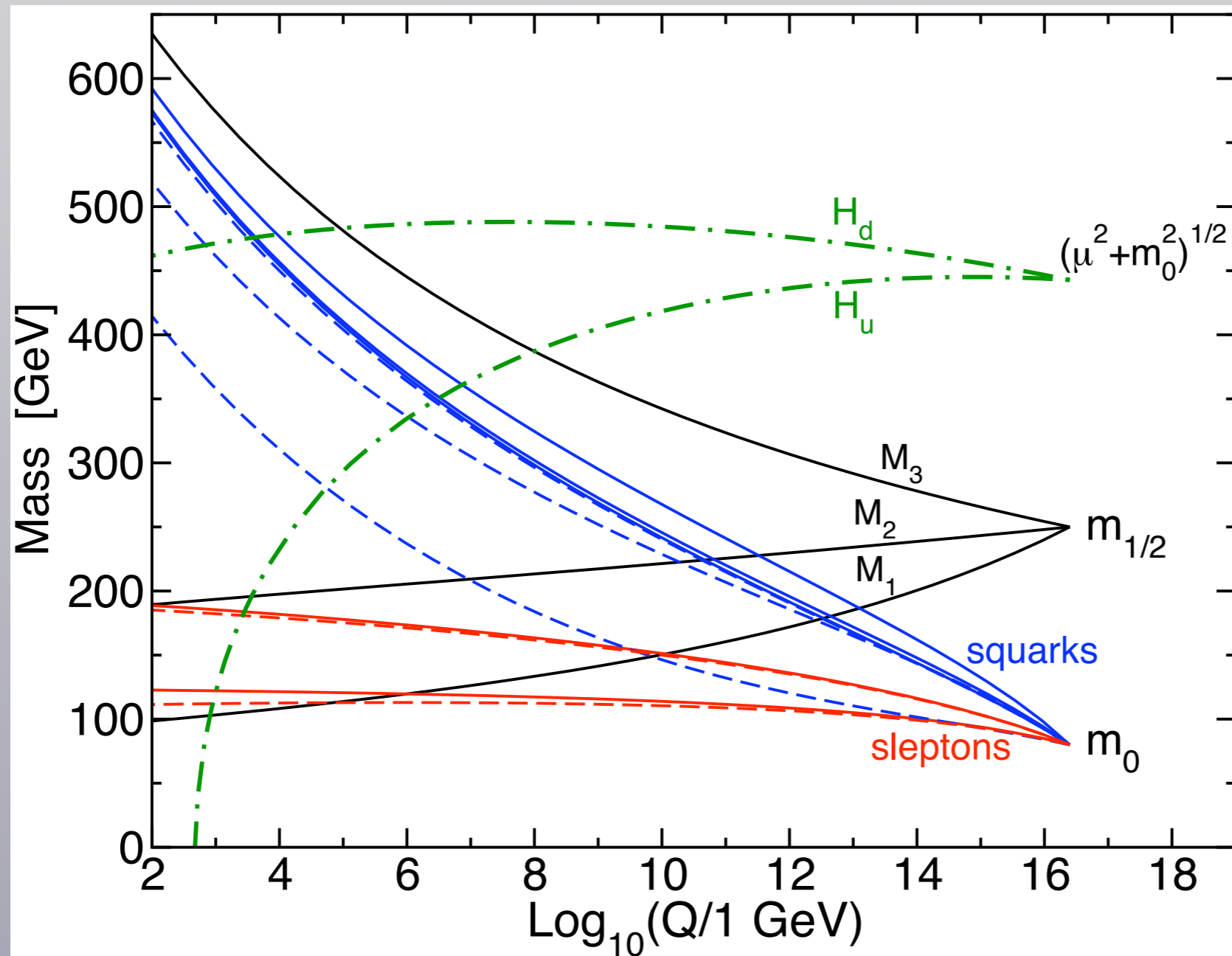At a 'high' scale f, matter fields and Higgs have no soft masses

MSSM matter / Gauge fields in the bulk / SUSY breaking
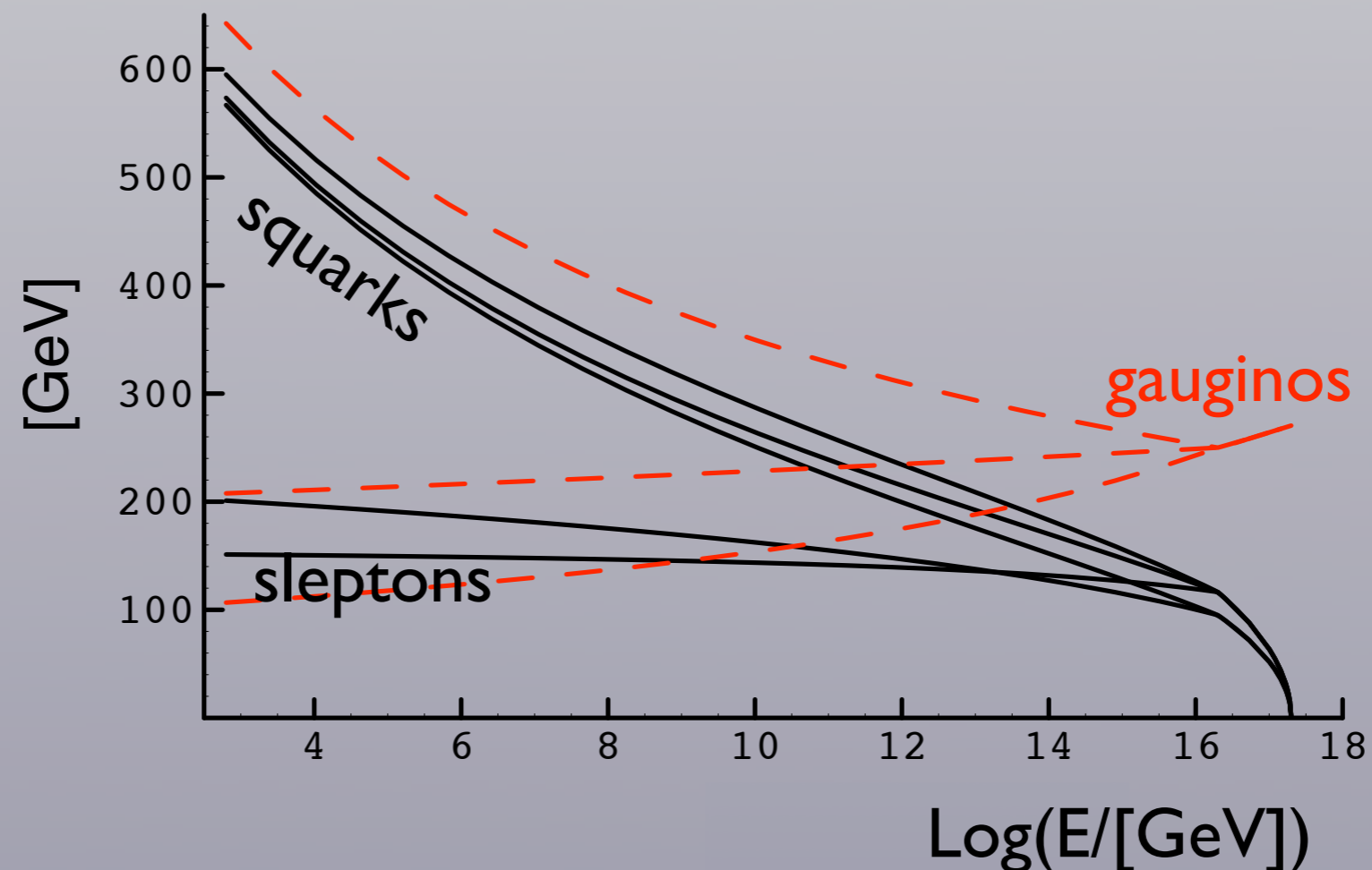
Scalar masses are generated radiatively:

- Threshold contributions at the high scale f

- Running from f to EW scale

- Threshold contributions at the EW scale

Kaplan, Kribs, Schmaltz, PRD62 (2000) 035010; Chacko, Luty, Nelson, Ponton, JHEP0001 (2000) 003

RG evolution of soft masses in the MSSM

In gaugino mediation the high scale was chosen at, or above, the GUT scale to avoid charged LSP (stau)

Consequently, threshold corrections were neglected as the log running dominates

When the gravitino is light the charged LSP disappears.
Log(f/EW) can be small as long as scalar masses are positive.

- Threshold contributions at the high scale f (model dependent)

- Running from f to EW scale (model independent)

- Threshold contributions at the EW scale (model independent)

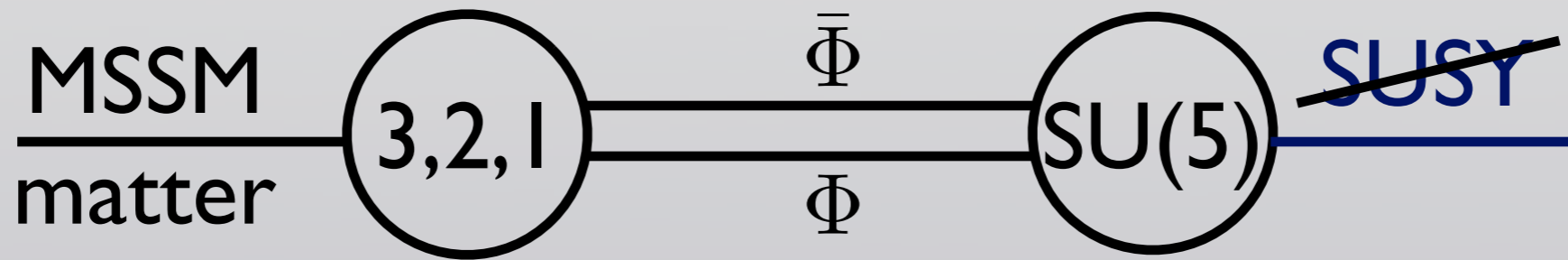$$m^2_{\tilde{f}_i} \propto \frac{\alpha_i}{4\pi} m^2_{\tilde{g}_i}$$

Our model

- product gauge group [SU(3)xSU(2)xU(1)]xSU(5)
- SUSY breaking communicates only to the SU(5) sector
- MSSM matter transforms under SU(3)xSU(2)xU(1)
- at a few TEV gauge group broken to SU(3)xSU(2)xU(1)

$$\frac{\text{MSSM}}{\text{matter}} \quad (3,2,1) \quad \overset{\bar{\Phi}}{\underset{\Phi}{=\!=\!=}} \quad SU(5) \quad \cancel{\text{SUSY}}$$
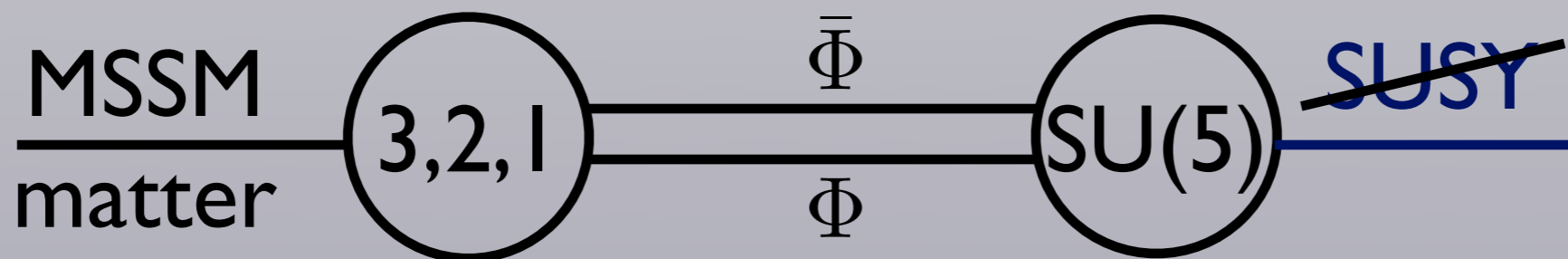
"Deconstructed gaugino mediation," Cheng, Kaplan, Schmaltz, Skiba, PLB 515 (2001) 395
Csaki, Erlich, Grojean, Kribs, PRD 65 (2002) 015003

SU(5) gauginos obtain mass from direct coupling to SUSY breaking, for example gauge mediation with the messengers charged under SU(5) only
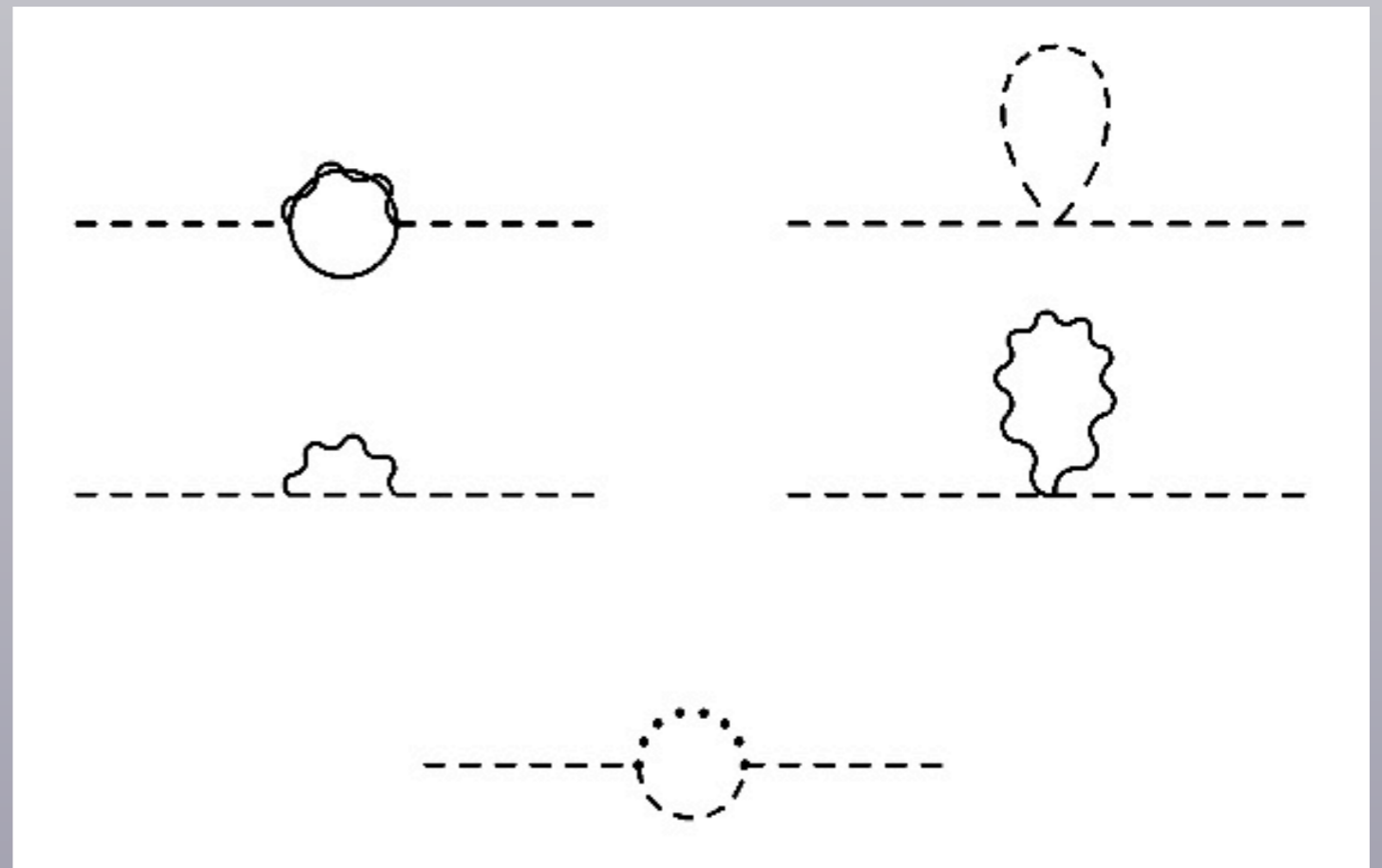
After the product gauge groups is broken to the SM, $\langle \Phi \rangle = \langle \bar{\Phi} \rangle = f$, the MSSM gauginos acquire soft masses.

$\frac{\text{MSSM}}{\text{matter}}$ — (3,2,1) — $\overline{\overline{\Phi}}$ / $\overline{\Phi}$ — SU(5) — ~~SUSY~~
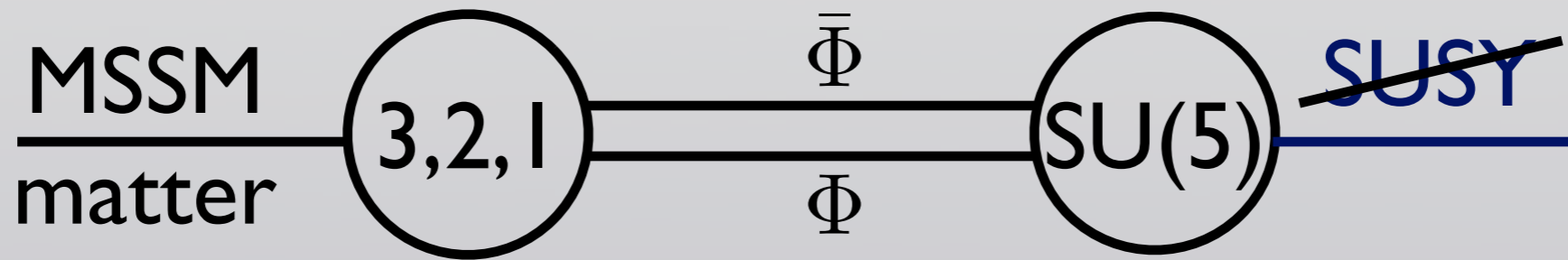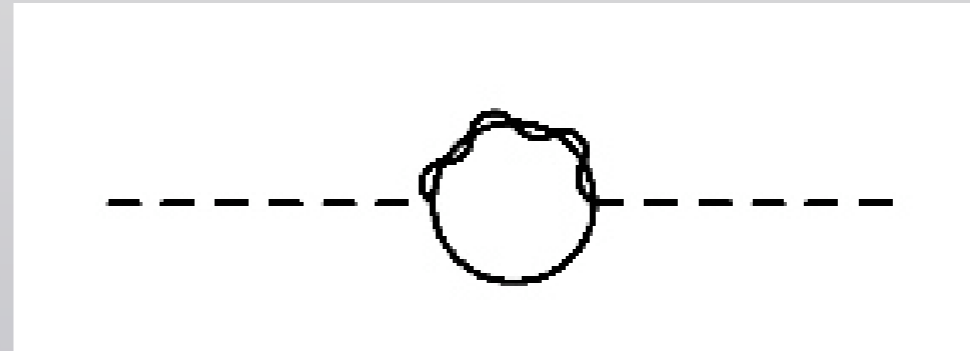
SUSY-breaking terms for
 - the gauginos and
 - the link fields

MSSM matter fields
obtain soft masses
at one loop

In practice, this calculation is a lot more complicated than what meets the eye


There are three adjoint fermions that run in the loop: two gauginos from the two gauge group and one fermion from the link field that has a Dirac mass with one of the gauginos.

$$\Omega = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & g_A\sqrt{2}f \\ 0 & m_B & -g_B\sqrt{2}f \\ g_A\sqrt{2}f & -g_B\sqrt{2}f & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Breaking of SU(2)xU(1)?

- Higgs doublets get positive mass from the one loop diagrams, just like the matter fields do

- In high scale models, up-type Higgs gets a negative mass from the top-Yukawa contribution to the RG equations

- Radiative breaking happens in our model as well:
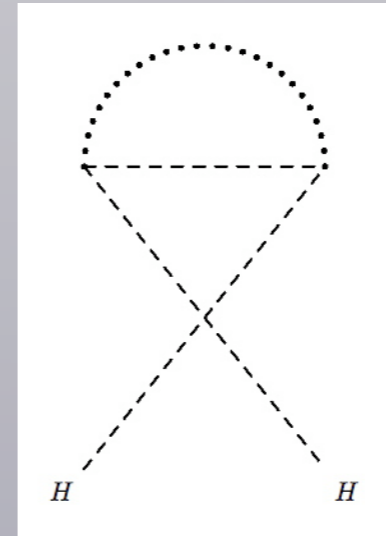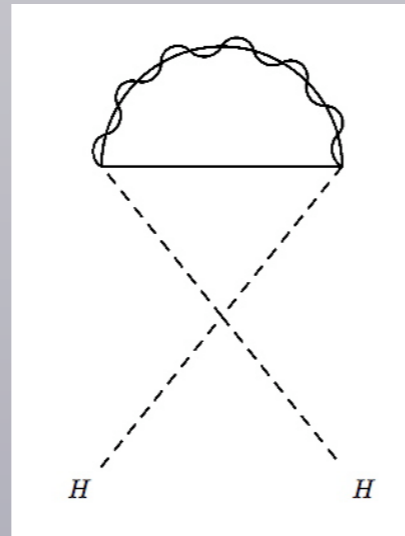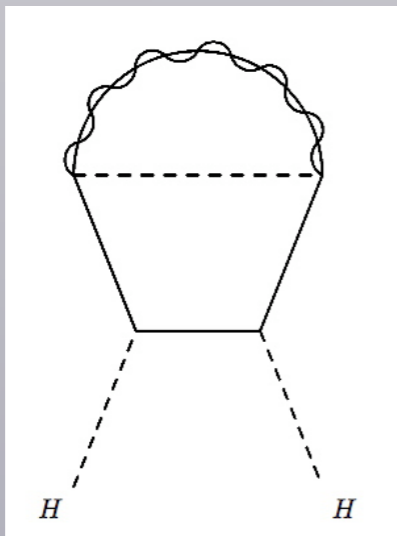
Why would 2 loops dominate over one loop?
  - large Yukawa, color factors, SU(3) coupling

Addition contribution to the Higgs mass

There are two gauge groups, each with its own D terms. In the absence of SUSY breaking the D-term for the diagonal (unbroken) group is governed by its coupling constant.

This is not the case with when SUSY is broken:

$$V_D = \frac{g_2^2(1+\Delta_2)}{8} \left| H_u^\dagger \sigma^a H_u + H_d^\dagger \sigma^a H_d \right|^2 + \frac{\frac{3}{5} g_1^2(1+\Delta_1)}{8} \left| H_u^\dagger H_u - H_d^\dagger H_d \right|^2$$

where $\quad \Delta_i \;=\; \dfrac{s_i^2}{c_i^2} \dfrac{2m_\Phi^2}{M_i^2 + 2m_\Phi^2}$

Free parameters:

f - vev of the link fields

g_B - SU(5) gauge coupling

m_B - soft mass for the SU(5) gaugino

m_Φ - soft mass of the link field

μ, B_μ - traded for Higgs vev and $\tan\beta$

		mass
inputs:	f	5000
	m_B	5000
	$m_{\tilde{\Phi}}$	5000
	$\tan\beta$	8
	g_{A_3}/g_B	0.8
heavy gauge bosons:	M_3	15400
	M_2	12970
	M_1	12500
gluino:	m_3	1904
neutralinos:	$m_{\chi_1^0}$	232
	$m_{\chi_2^0}$	253
	$m_{\chi_3^0}$	383
	$m_{\chi_4^0}$	706
charginos:	$m_{\chi_1^\pm}$	243
	$m_{\chi_2^\pm}$	706
Higgs:	m_{h^0}	116
	m_{H^0}	324
	m_A	324
	$m_{H^\pm}$	334
	μ	249
	$\sqrt{B_\mu}$	114
sleptons:	$m_{\tilde{e}_R}$	102
	$m_{\tilde{e}_L}$	218
	$m_{\tilde{\nu}_L}$	203
squarks:	$m_{\tilde{u}_L}$	934
	$m_{\tilde{u}_R}$	914
	$m_{\tilde{d}_L}$	938
	$m_{\tilde{d}_R}$	913

Constraints: precision electroweak, cosmology

Precision electroweak observables are affected by heavy gauge bosons and an SU(2) triplet from the link fields. All of these are much too heavy to be seriously constrained.

One needs to avoid overclosing of the universe by the LSP, and spoiling the successful predictions of the BBN by NLSP decays.

BBN: $\tau_{\mathrm{NLSP}} \lesssim 5 \times 10^3$ that translates to $m_{3/2} \lesssim 1 \ \mathrm{GeV}$

Relic density: $m_{3/2} \lesssim 1 \ \mathrm{keV}$, but larger values possible if gravitino abundance is diluted by late entropy production.

Most important features of the spectrum

LSP - the gravitino (keV- 1 GeV)

NLSP - right-handed sleptons (~100 GeV, collider stable)
the RH stau is the lightest, but the decays of the
smuon, or selectron to stau probably not visible

Right- and left-handed sleptons lighter than $\chi^0_{1,2,3,4}$ $\chi^\pm_{1,2}$

Squarks lighter than the gluinos

Examples of squark decays

$$\tilde{u}_L \xrightarrow{55\%} d_L \; \tilde{W}^+ \xrightarrow{20\%} d_L \; l_L^+ \; \tilde{\nu} \xrightarrow{66\%} d_L \; l_L^+ \; \nu \; l_R^\pm \; \tilde{l}_R^\mp$$

$$\tilde{u}_L \xrightarrow{28\%} u_L \; \tilde{W}^0 \xrightarrow{20\%} u_L \; l_L^\pm \; \tilde{l}_L^\mp \xrightarrow{55\%} u_L \; l_L^\pm \; l_L^\mp \; l_R^\pm \; \tilde{l}_R^\mp$$

Higgs production in slepton decays

Left-handed sleptons decay mostly through the off-shell Bino with 3-body final state. However, often the 2 body decay

$$\tilde{l}_L \longrightarrow h \, \tilde{l}_R$$

is kinematically allowed. This proceeds through the left-right mixing, so it is most important for the staus, but even for the smuons it can be significant.

Squark production and lepton and Higgs "multiplicity"
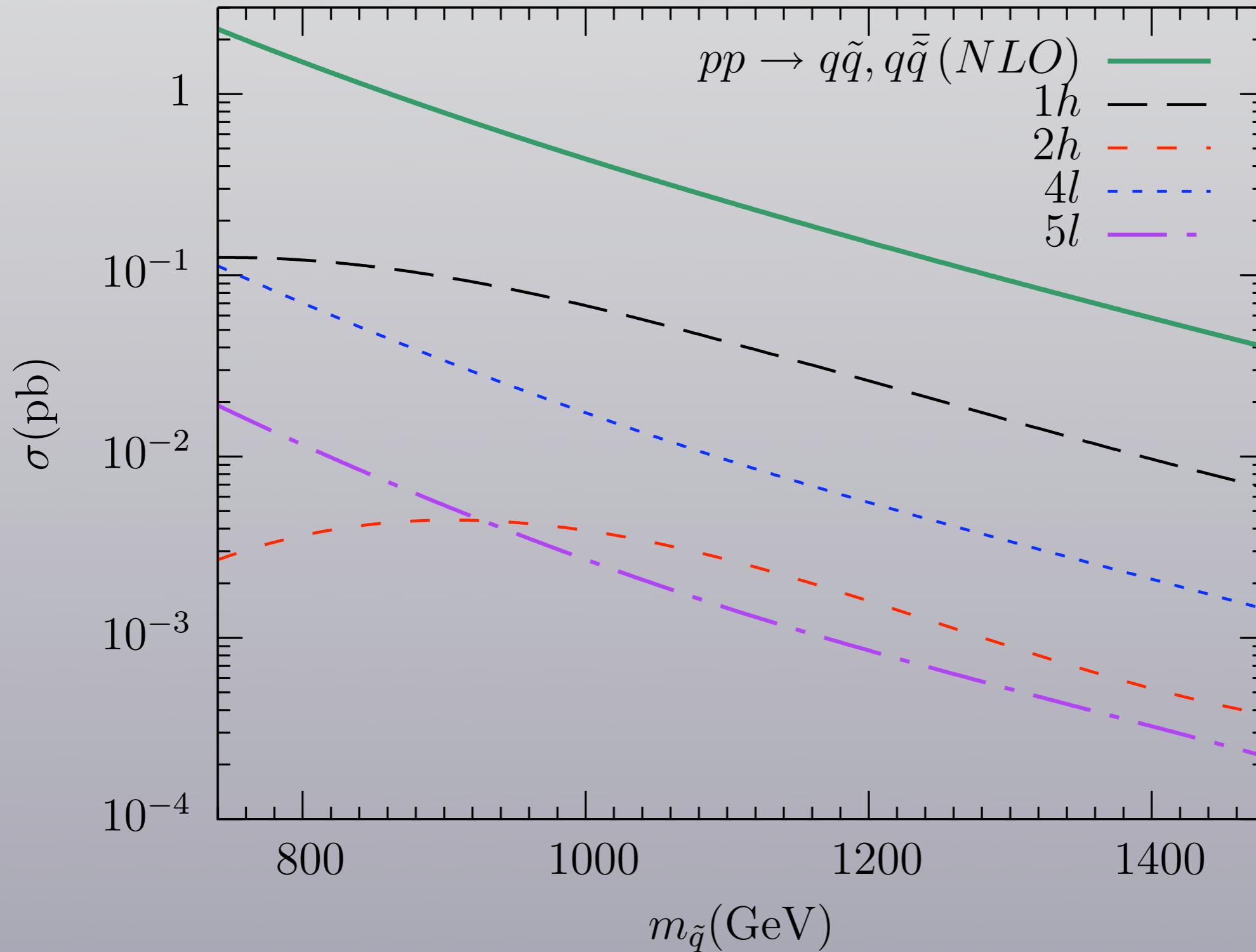
Stable charged particles (NLSP) in every event!

Open questions

- Solution to the μ/B_μ problem?

- A dynamical mechanism for generating the link field vevs perhaps tied to SUSY breaking

- Gauge coupling unification?

- More detailed phenomenology. Comparison with other models such as gauge mediation with a large number of messengers, scenarios with Dirac gaugino masses.

Conclusion

- There are still well-motivated yet unexplored regions of the MSSM parameter space with distinct and interesting signatures.

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