

Title: Bound states at the LHC

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Abstract: When a pair of particles is produced close to threshold, they may form a bound state if the potential between them is attractive. Can we use such bound states to obtain information about new colored particles at the LHC? I will discuss the relevant issues using examples from the MSSM and other beyond the standard model scenarios.

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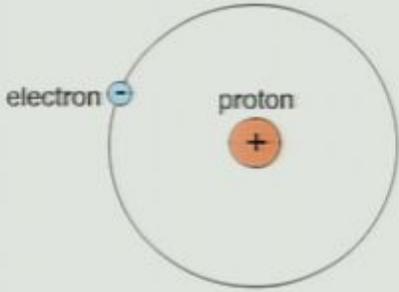


This talk is about...

- Bound states of pair-produced colored particles. Examples from the MSSM.
- Using signals from bound state annihilation for getting information about the new physics (and in which kind of scenarios this is possible).
- A detailed analysis: gluinoonium at the LHC
- Bound states in other theories

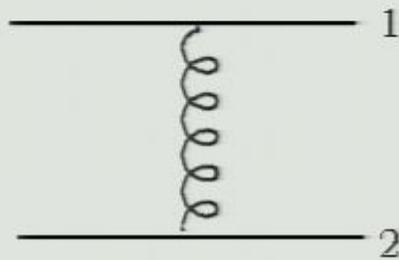
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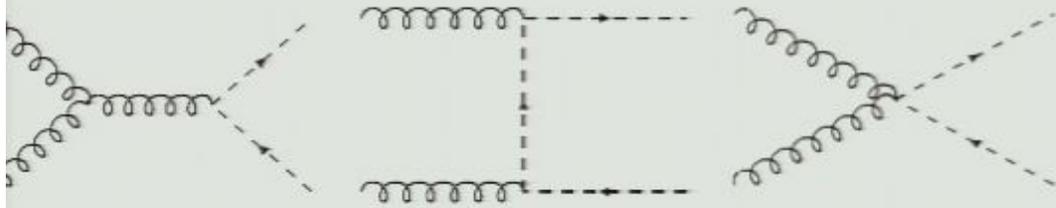
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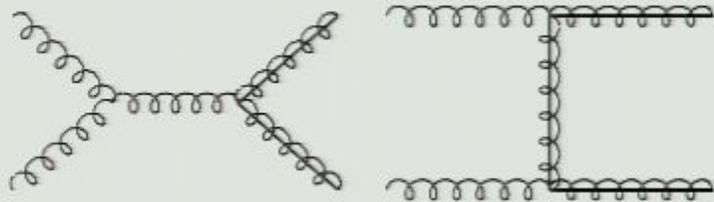
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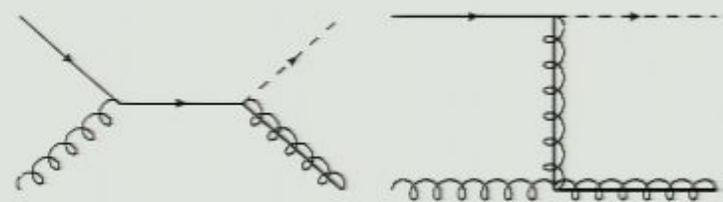
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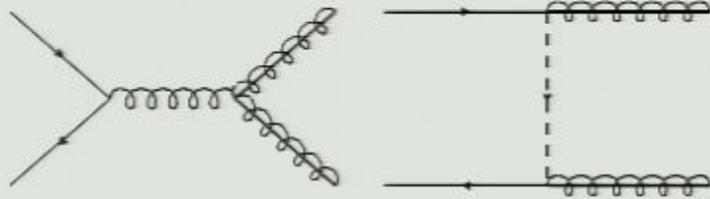
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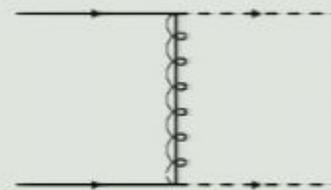
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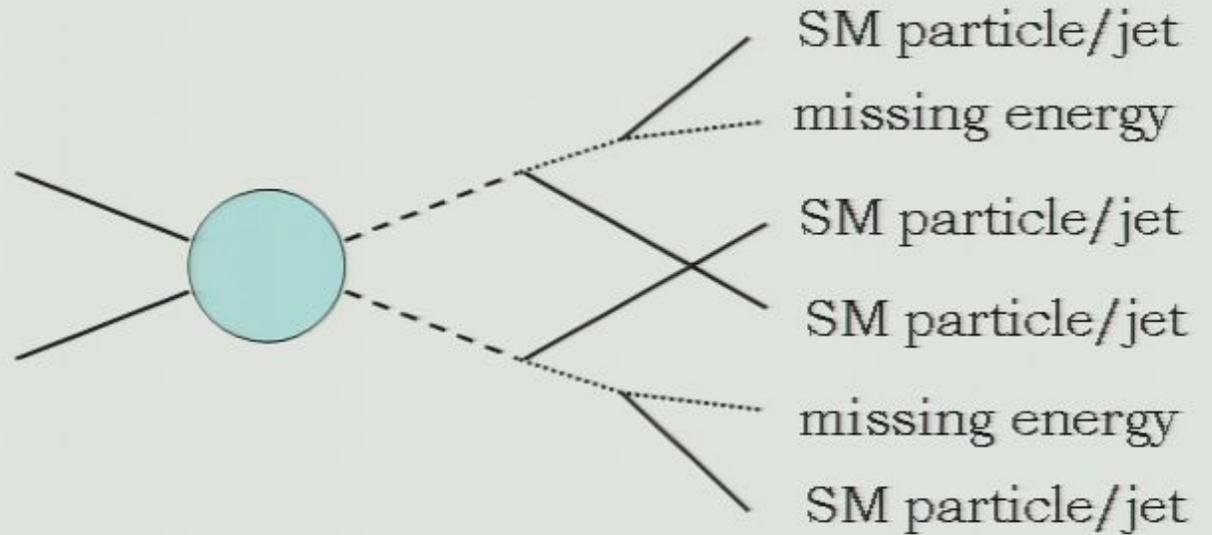
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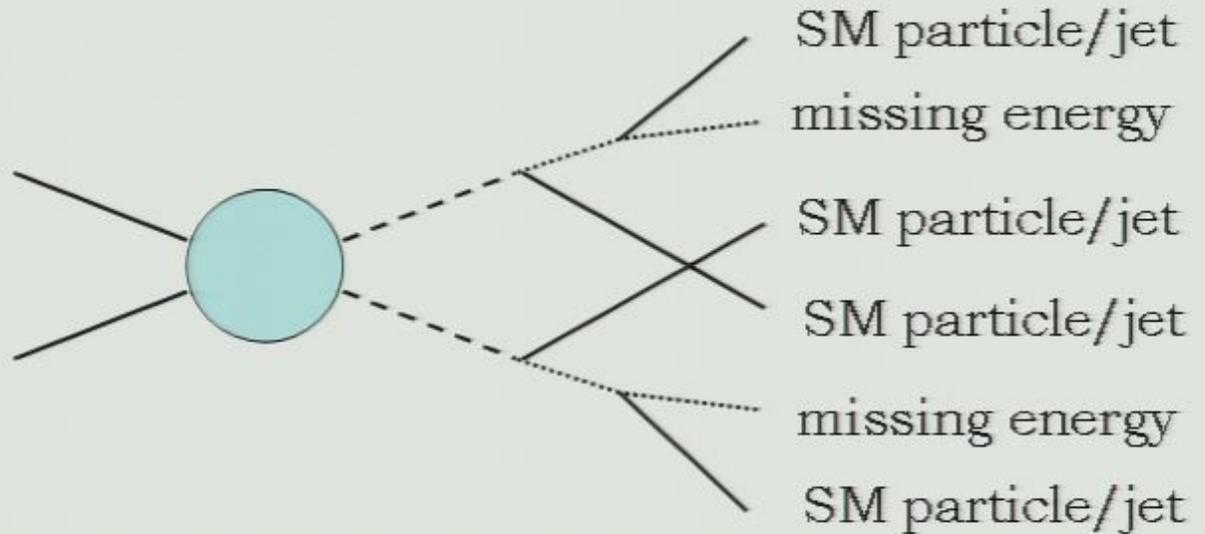
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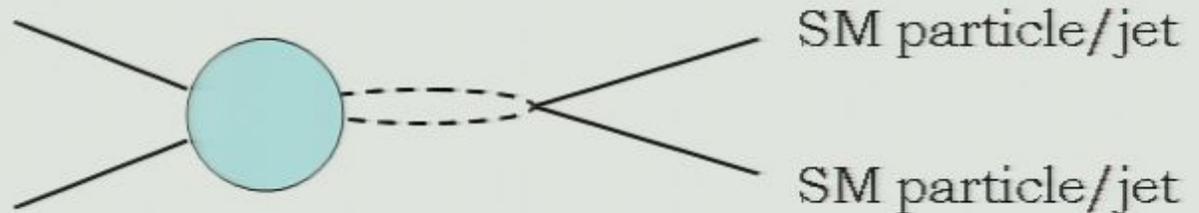


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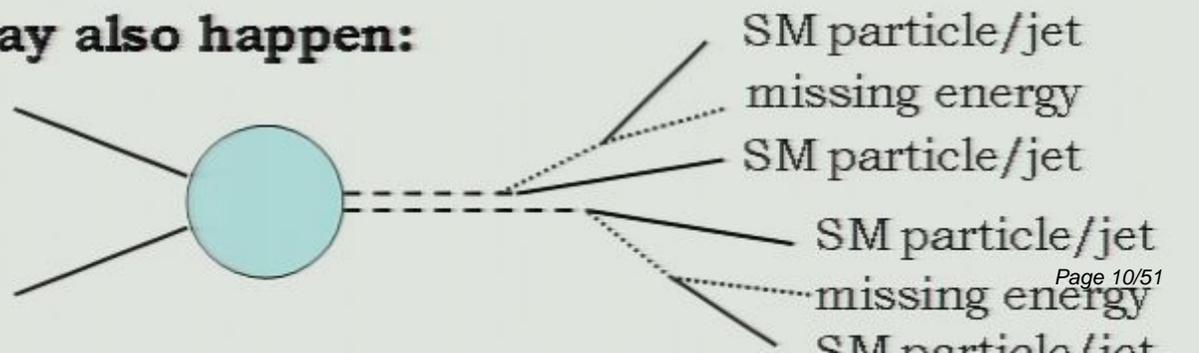
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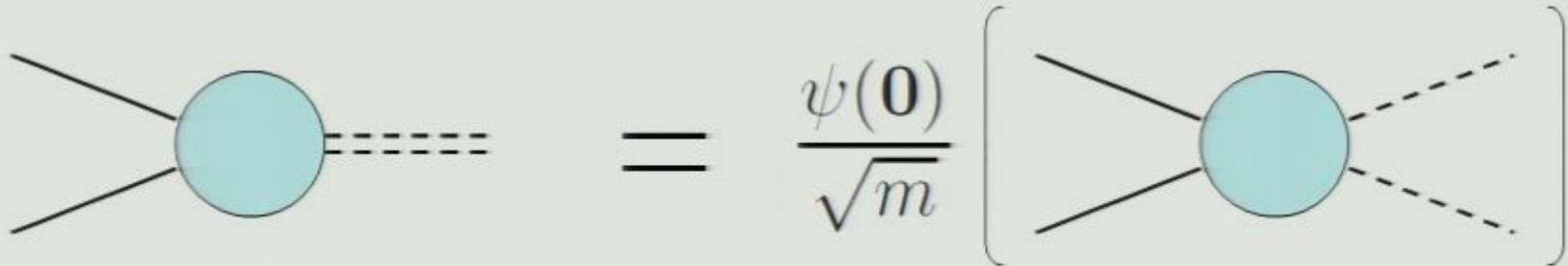


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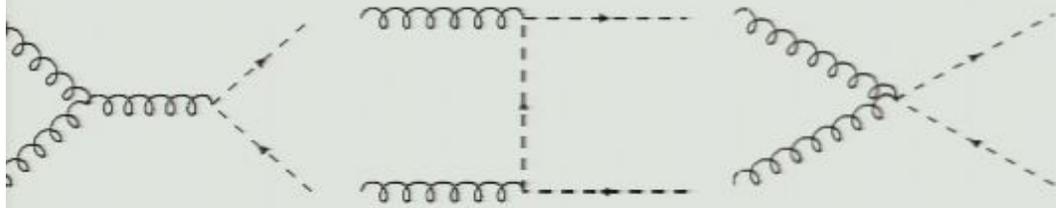
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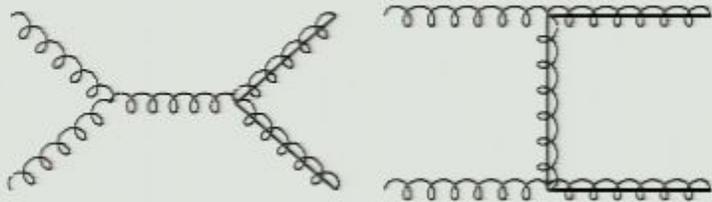
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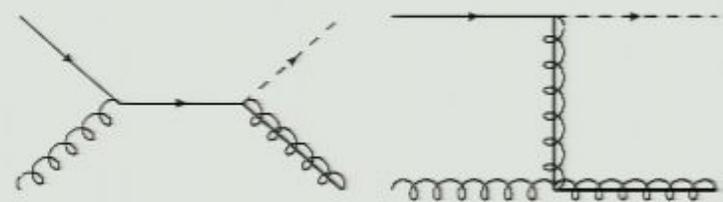
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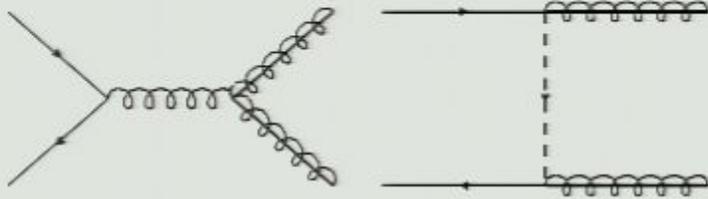
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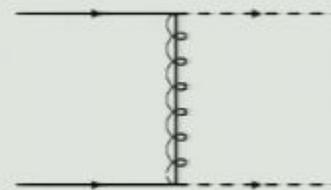
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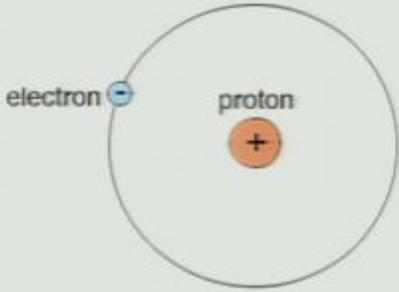
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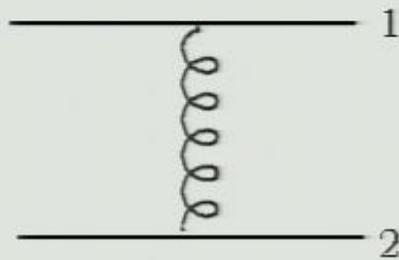
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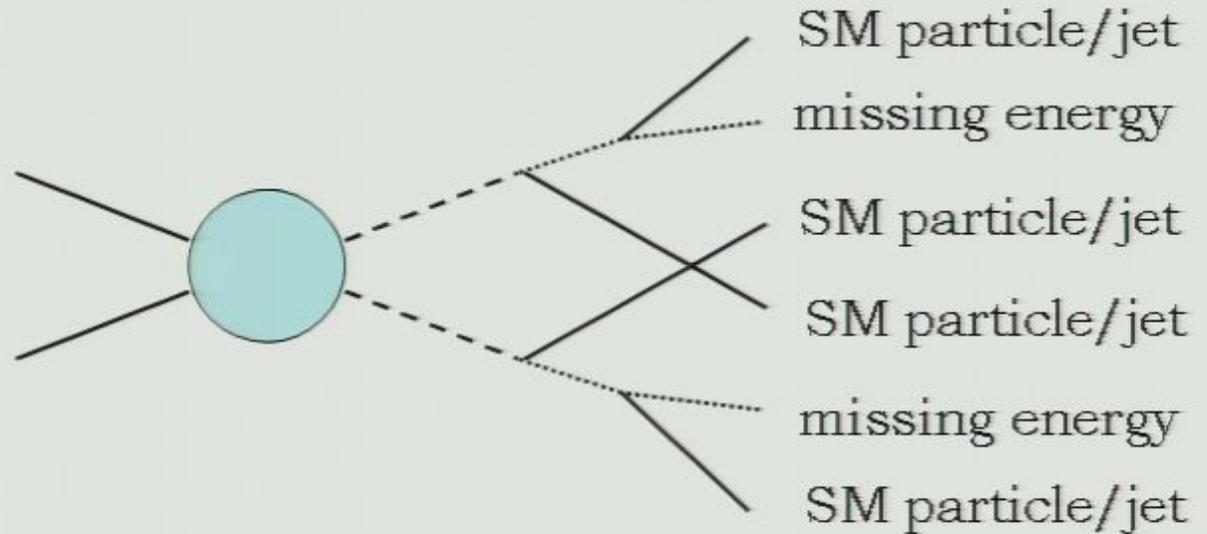
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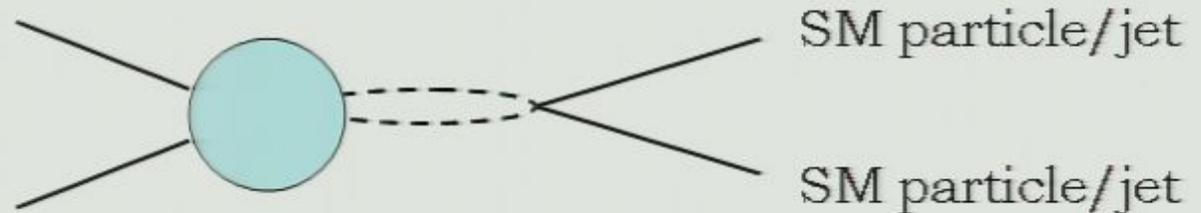
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A more general formalism:

$$\left[-\frac{\nabla^2}{m} + V(r) - E \right] G(\mathbf{x}, E) = \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x}) \quad E_n = \frac{E_b}{n^2}$$

$$G(\mathbf{0}, E) = -\frac{m^2}{4\pi} \left[\sqrt{-\frac{E}{m}} - C\bar{\alpha}_s \ln \left(\frac{|C|\bar{\alpha}_s}{2} \sqrt{-\frac{m}{E}} \right) - \frac{2}{\sqrt{m}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{E_n}{\sqrt{-E} - \text{sign}(C)\sqrt{E_n}} \right]$$

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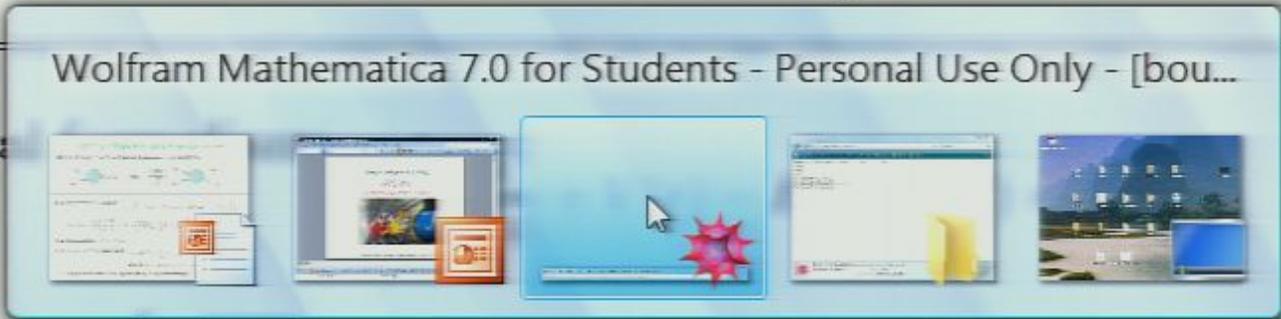
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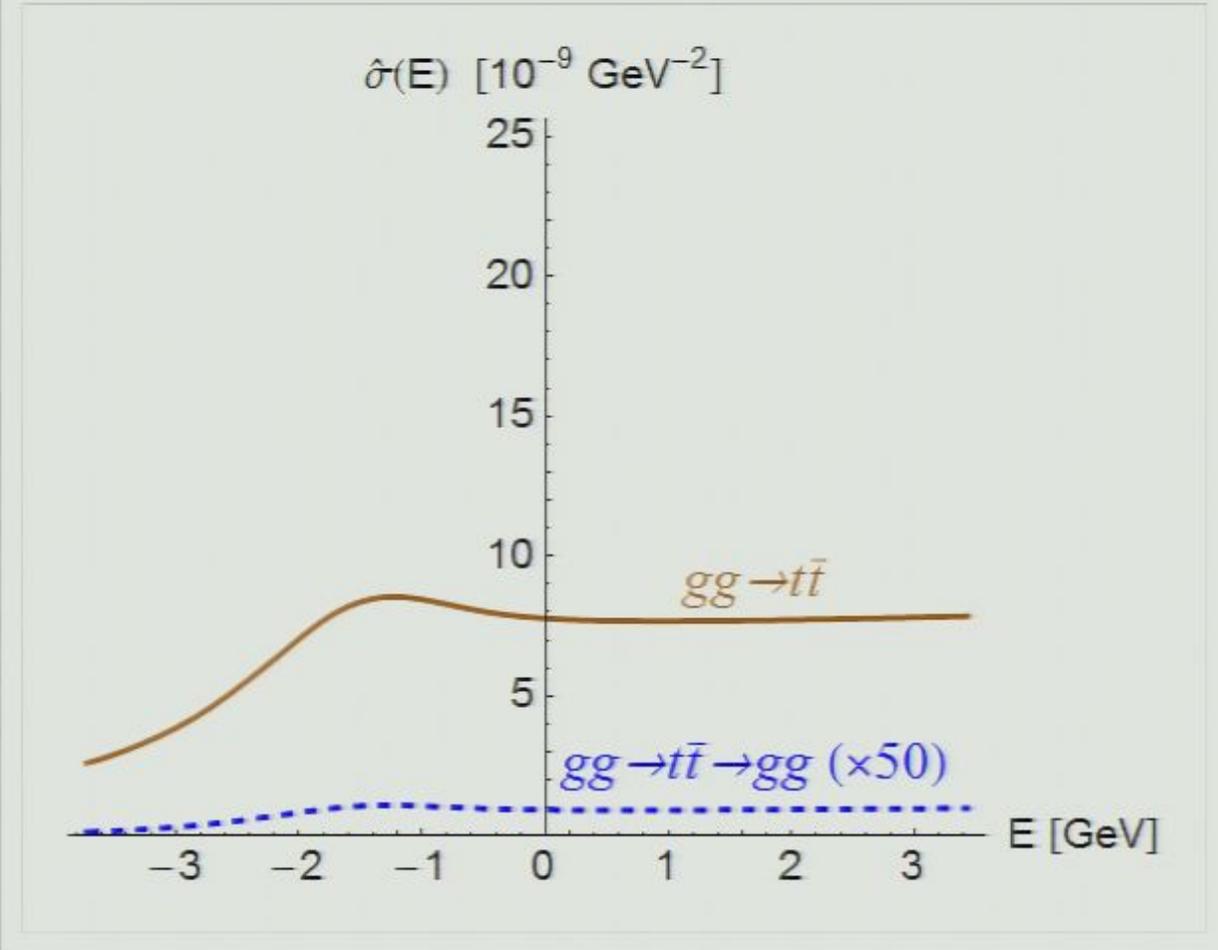


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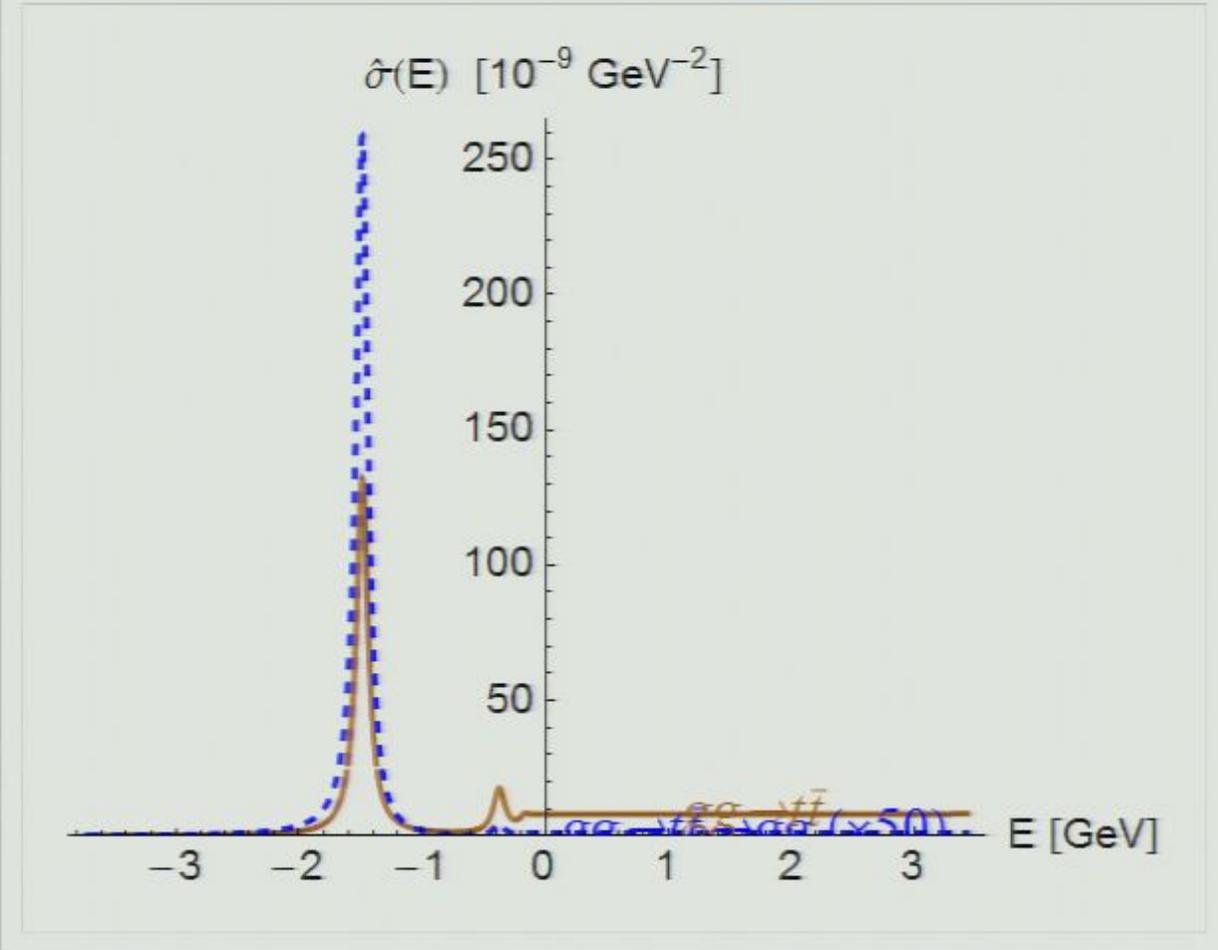
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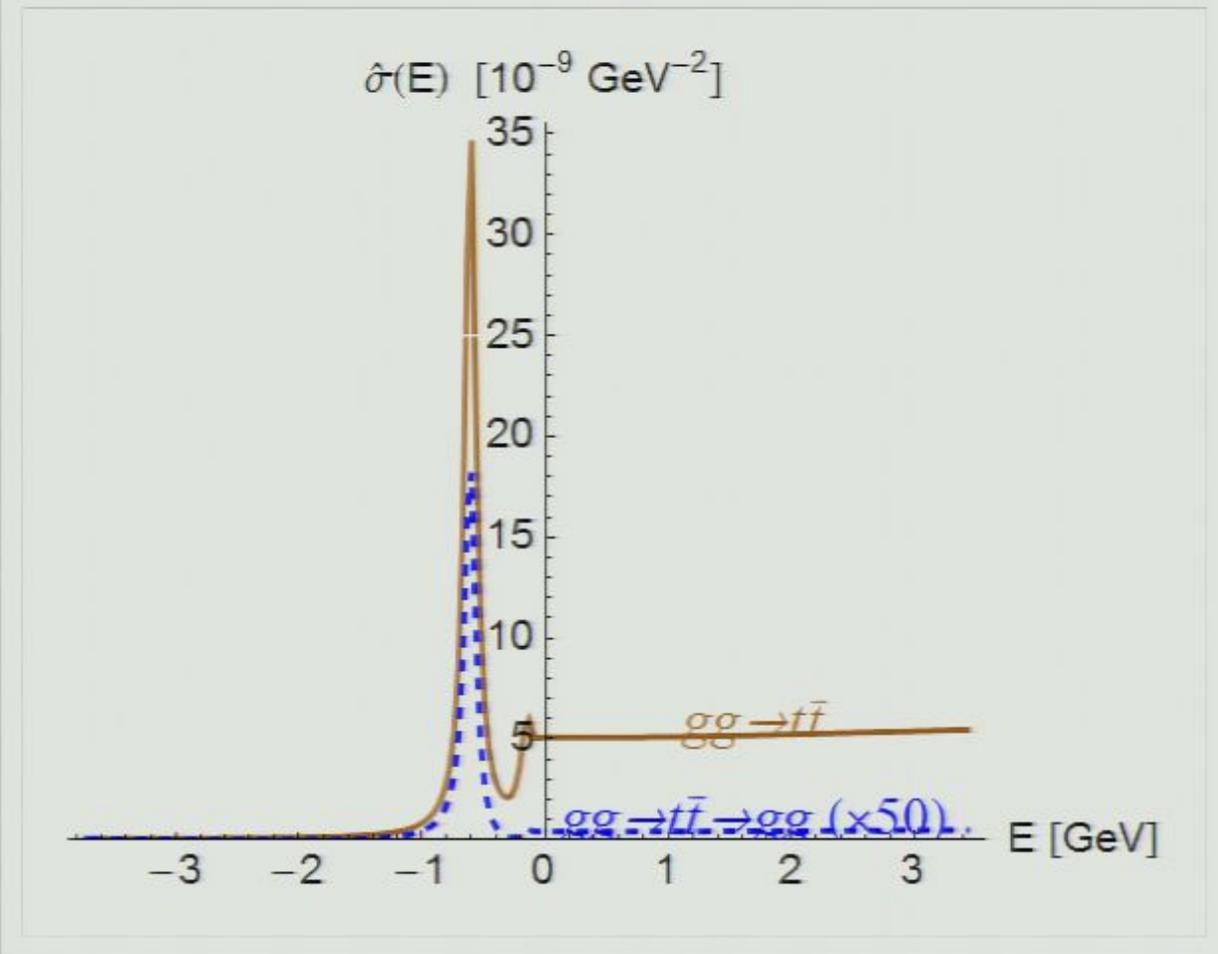
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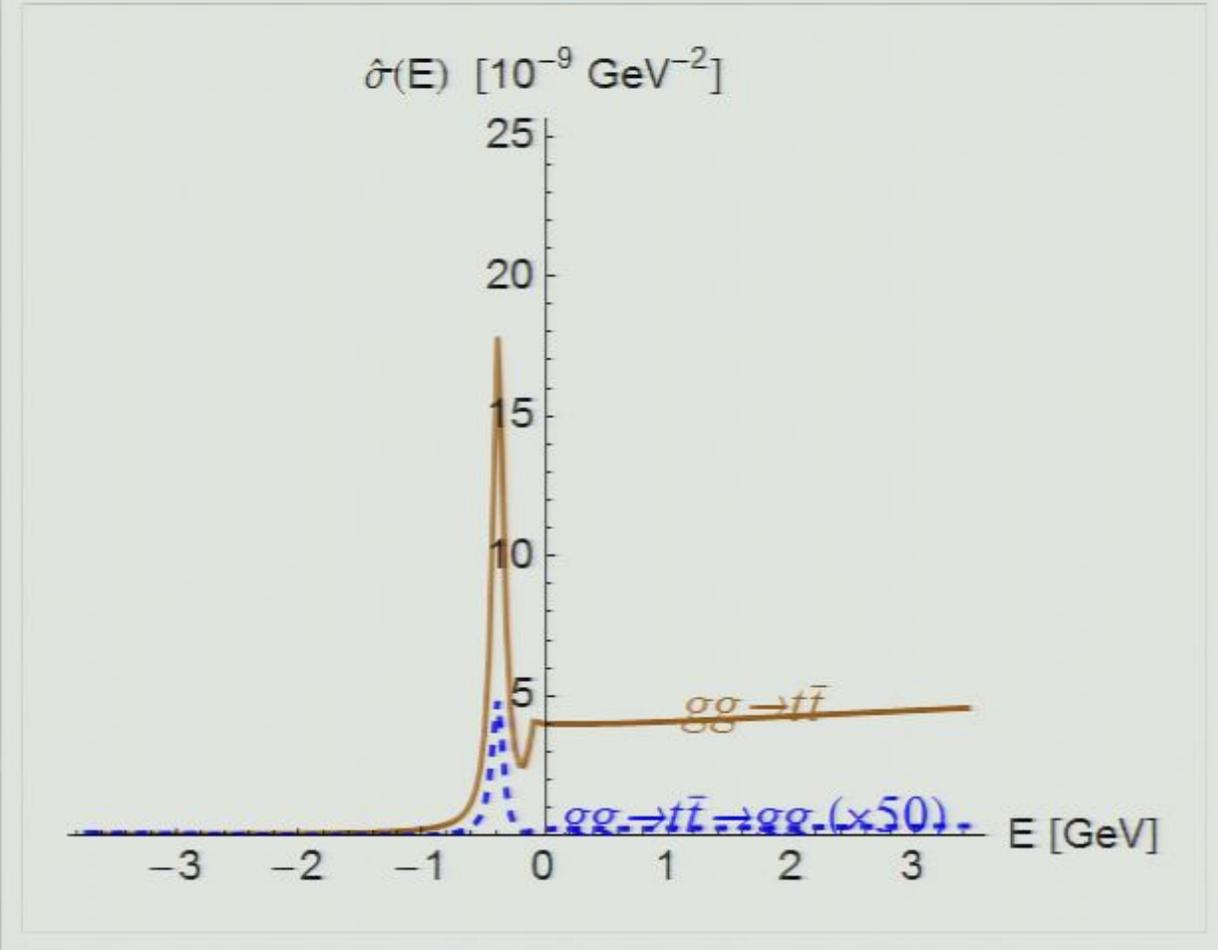
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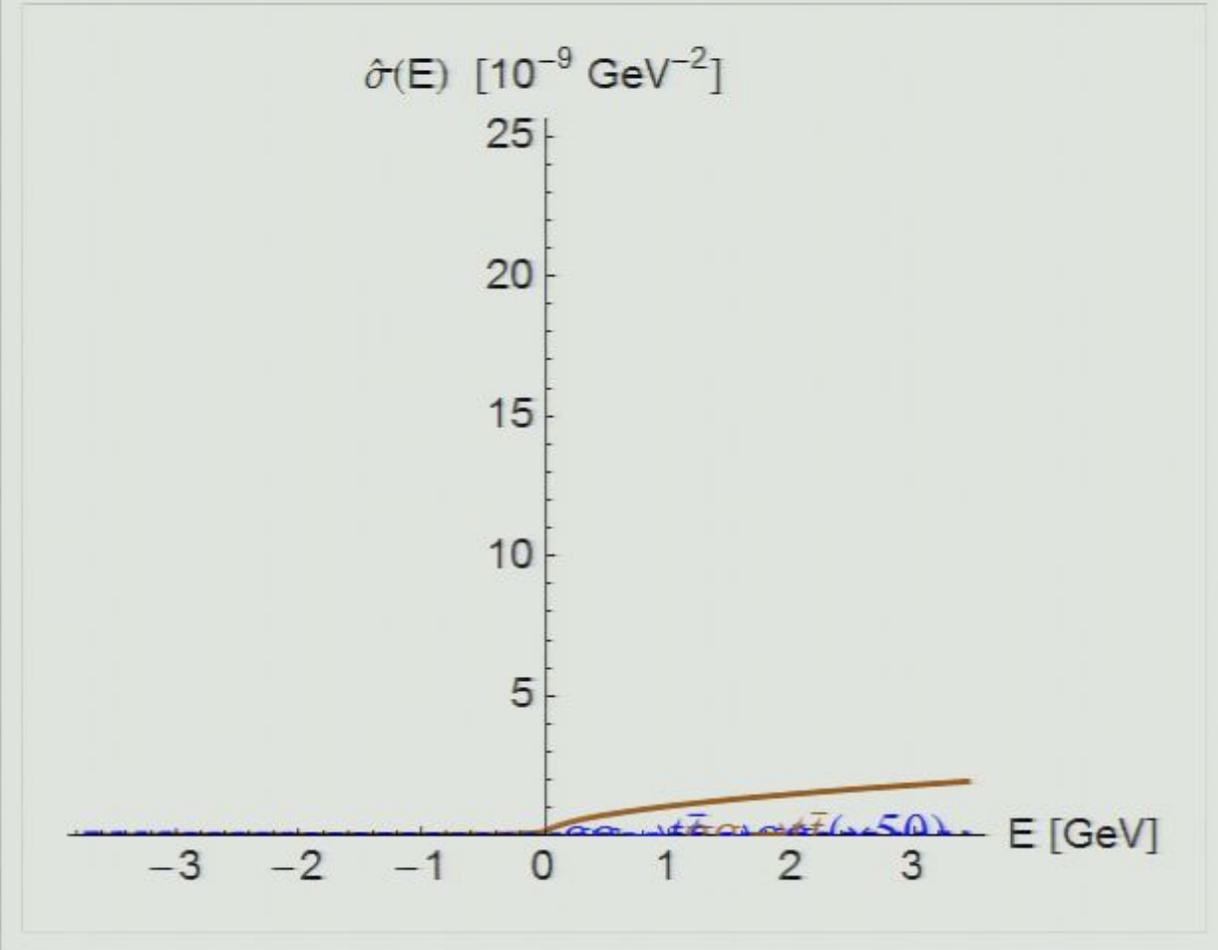
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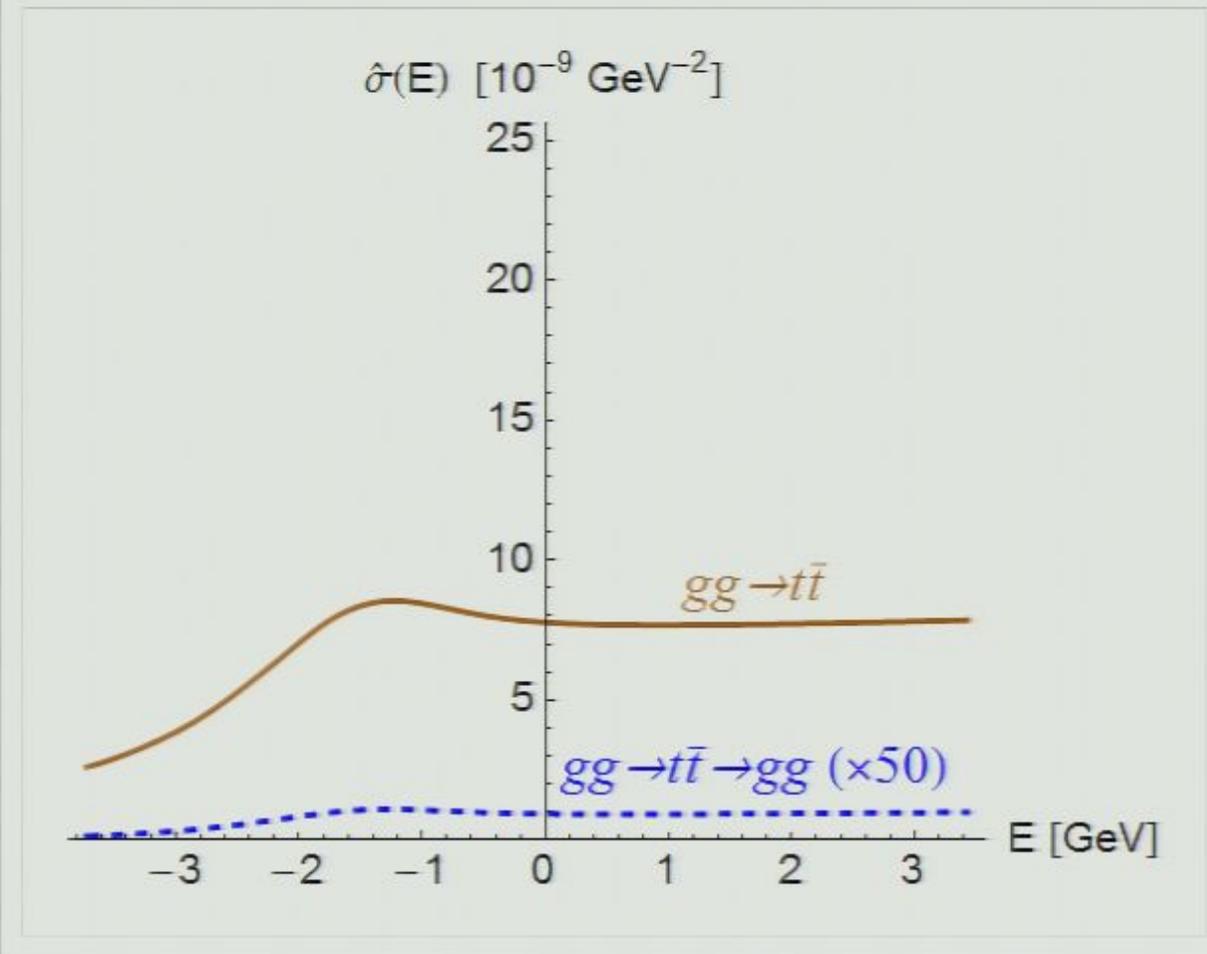


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Scales in the problem

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Bound state annihilation rate: $\Gamma_{\text{ann}} \sim \frac{\alpha_s^2}{m^2} |\psi(\mathbf{0})|^2 \sim \alpha_s^2 \bar{\alpha}_s^3 m$

Single-particle decay rate:



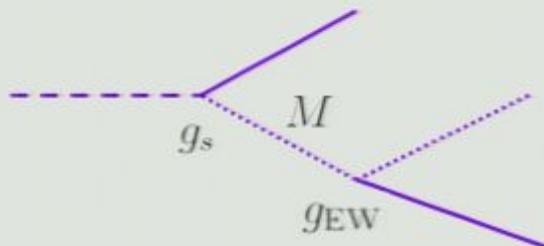
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$$m_{\tilde{q}} \gtrsim m_{\tilde{g}} : \tilde{g} \rightarrow \chi q \bar{q}$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{decay}} \sim \alpha_s \alpha m \left(\frac{m}{M}\right)^4 \sim \alpha_s^3 m \left(\frac{m}{M}\right)^4$$

$$\Gamma_{\tilde{g}} \sim \frac{\alpha \alpha_s m_{\tilde{g}}}{16\pi \sin^2 \theta_W} \left(\frac{m_{\tilde{g}}}{m_q}\right)^4$$

Binding fraction

In the case when narrow bound states do exist, what fraction of all the pairs forms bound states?

Very roughly (ignoring the luminosity fall-off with energy etc.):

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Gluinonium

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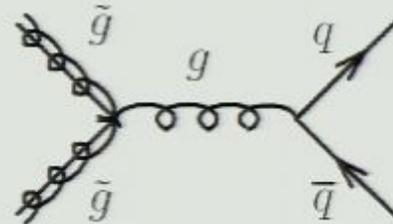
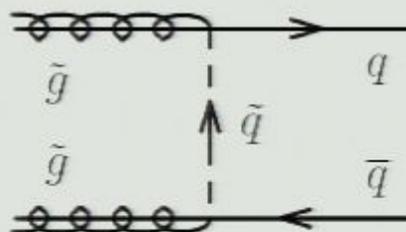
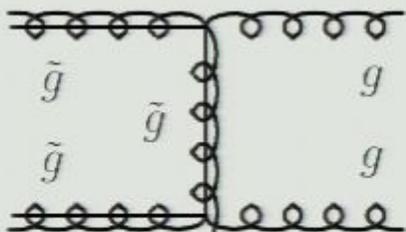
Chikovani, Kartvelishvili, Shanidze, Shaw '96

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$$|\psi(\mathbf{0})|^2 = \frac{C^3 \bar{\alpha}_s^3 m^3}{8\pi}$$

color	J^{PC}	production channel	annihilation channels	BR($t\bar{t}$) $m_{\bar{q}} \sim m_{\tilde{g}}$	BR($t\bar{t}$) $m_{\bar{q}} \gg m_{\tilde{g}}$
$1, 8_S$	0^{-+}	gg	$gg, t\bar{t}$	5% – 0.5%	0
8_A	1^{-+}	$q\bar{q}$	$q\bar{q}$	not produced	1/6

$$\Gamma(1 \rightarrow gg) = \frac{18\pi\alpha_s^2}{m_{\tilde{g}}^2} |\psi_1(\mathbf{0})|^2 = \frac{243}{4} \alpha_s^2 \bar{\alpha}_s^3 m_{\tilde{g}}$$

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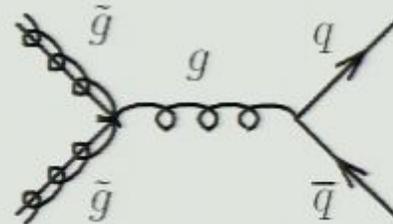
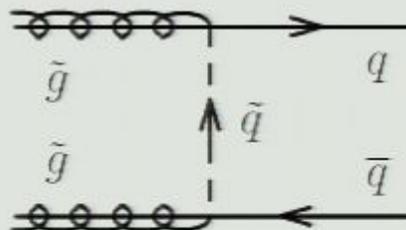
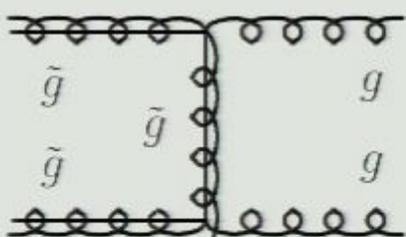
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- Hagiwara, Yokoya '00
- Kauth, Kühn, Marquard, Steinhauser '09



$$|\psi(\mathbf{0})|^2 = \frac{C^3 \bar{\alpha}_s^3 m^3}{8\pi}$$

color	J^{PC}	production channel	annihilation channels	BR($t\bar{t}$) $m_{\bar{q}} \sim m_{\tilde{g}}$	BR($t\bar{t}$) $m_{\bar{q}} \gg m_{\tilde{g}}$
1, 8_S	0^{-+}	gg	$gg, t\bar{t}$	5% – 0.5%	0
8_A	1^{-+}	$q\bar{q}$	$q\bar{q}$	not produced	1/6

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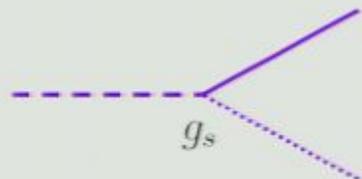
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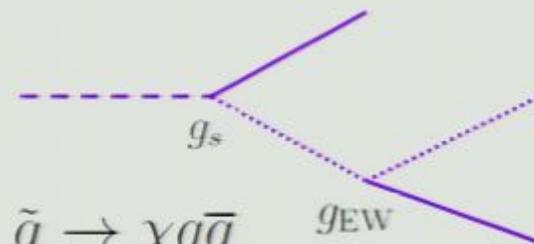
Gluino at benchmark points

Model	$m_{\tilde{g}}$	$m_{\tilde{t}}$	E_b^1	E_b^8	$2\Gamma_{\tilde{g}}$	$\Gamma_{\mathbf{1}}^{\text{ann}}$	$\Gamma_{\mathbf{8}_S}^{\text{ann}}$	$\Gamma_{\mathbf{8}_A}^{\text{ann}}$
SPS 1a	607	400	18	5.3	11	0.46	0.018	0.0005
SPS 1b	938	660	25	7.4	20	0.53	0.021	0.0006
mSUGRA focus point \Rightarrow SPS 2	782	950	22	6.5	0.0052	0.50	0.020	0.0082
SPS 3	935	648	25	7.4	23	0.53	0.021	0.0006
SPS 4	733	545	21	6.1	4.2	0.49	0.019	0.0003
SPS 5	722	262	20	6.1	23	0.49	0.019	0.0016
SPS 6	720	503	20	6.1	11	0.49	0.019	0.0005
SPS 7	950	807	25	7.5	8.4	0.53	0.021	0.0002
GMSB w/ neutralino NLSP \Rightarrow SPS 8	839	978	23	6.8	0.034	0.51	0.020	0.0017
SPS 9	1182	930	30	8.8	9.1	0.57	0.023	0.0003
Toy models	300	300	11	3.1	0	0.37	0.015	0
	300	∞	11	3.1	0	0.35	0.014	0.019
	800	800	22	6.6	0	0.50	0.020	0
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All the units in the table are GeV.



$$\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{g} q \bar{q}$$



$$\tilde{g} \rightarrow \gamma q \bar{q} \quad g_{EW}$$

Gluinonium signals at the LHC

$m_{\tilde{g}}$ GeV	$m_{\tilde{q}}$ GeV	$1, \mathbf{8}_S \rightarrow gg$ fb	$1, \mathbf{8}_S \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ fb	$\mathbf{8}_A \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ fb	$\mathbf{8}_A \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ fb	any $\rightarrow gg, q\bar{q}$ fb	any $\rightarrow t\bar{t}$ fb
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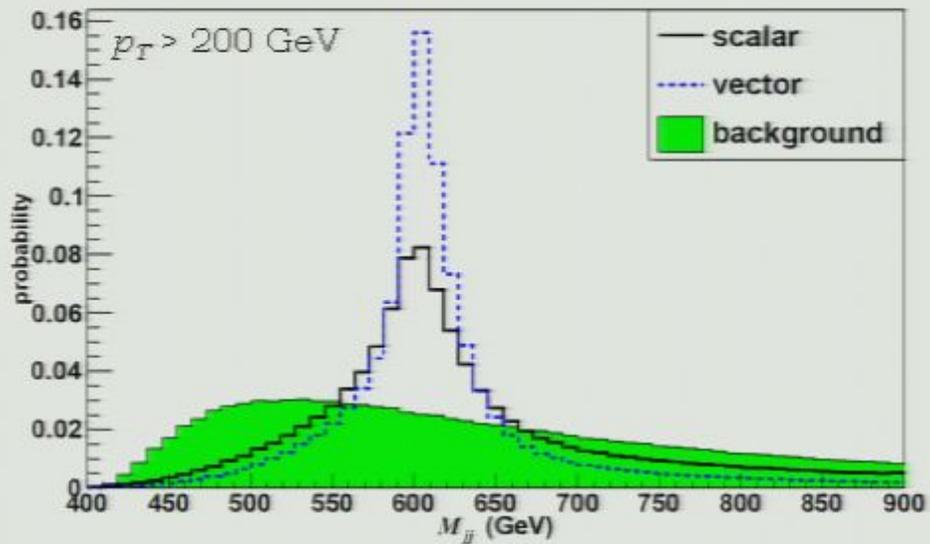
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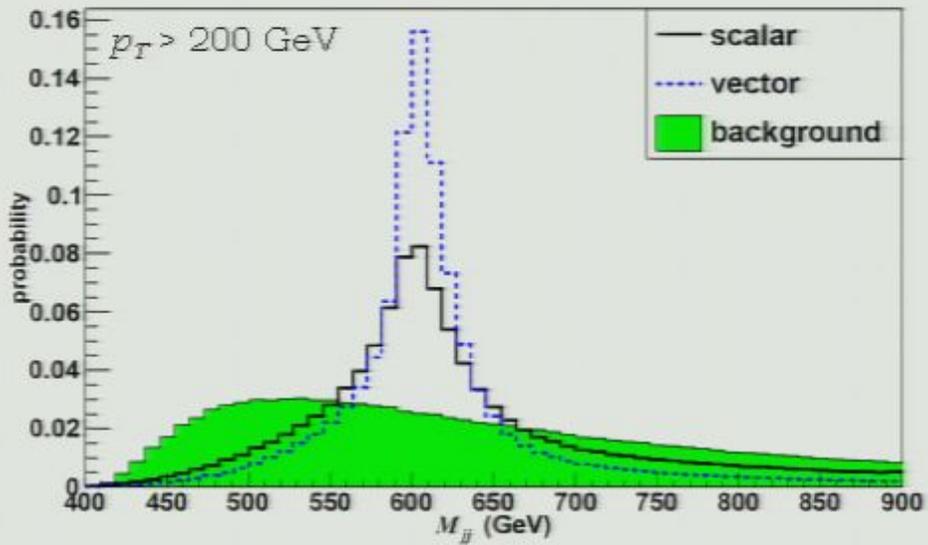
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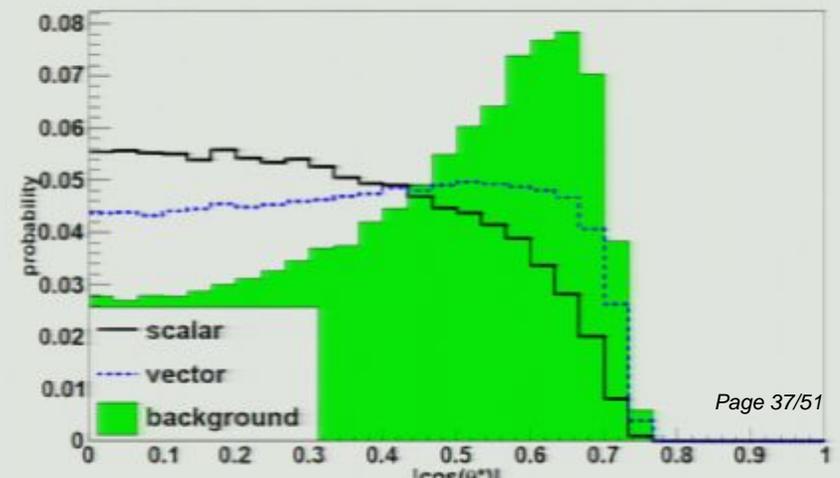
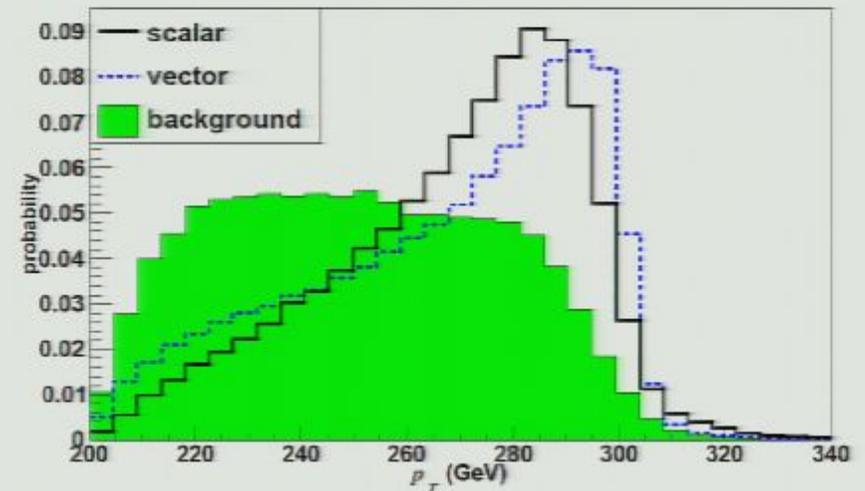
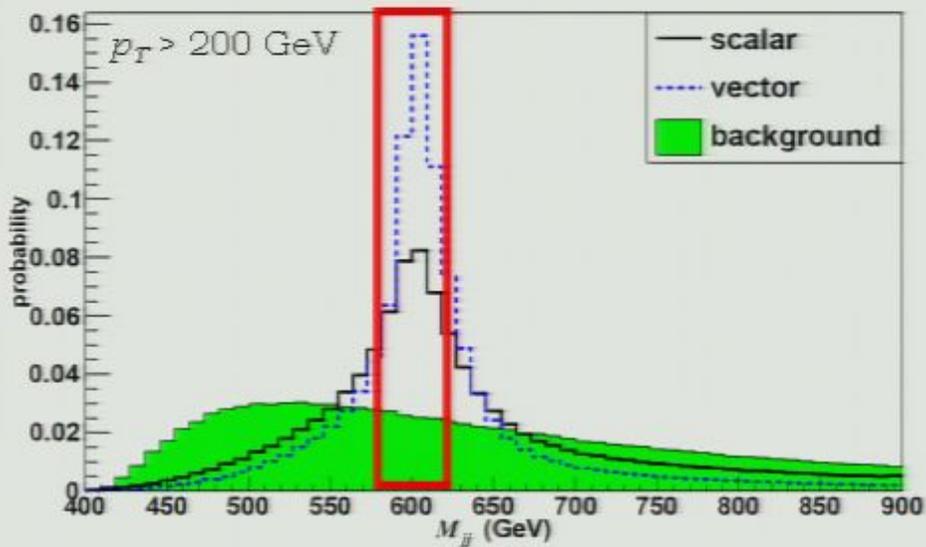


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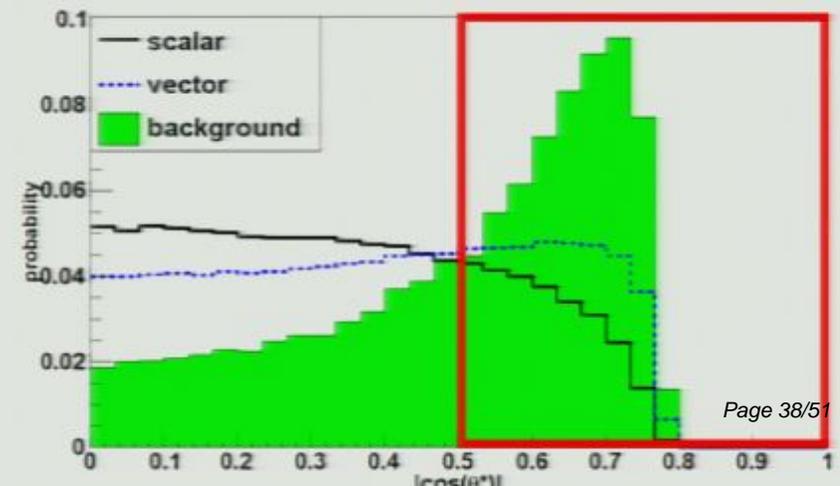
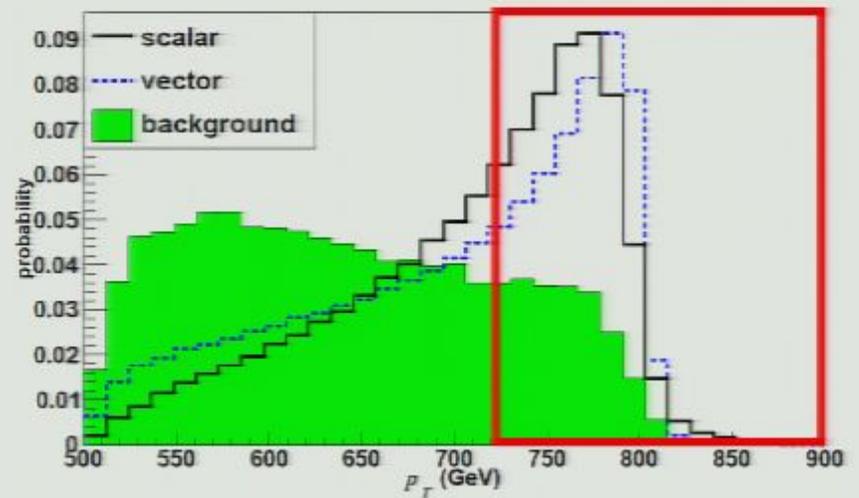
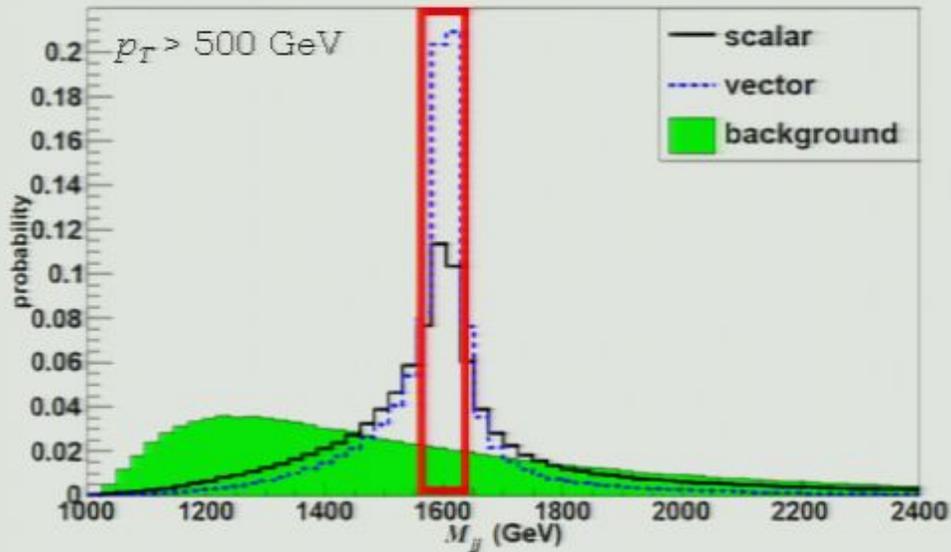


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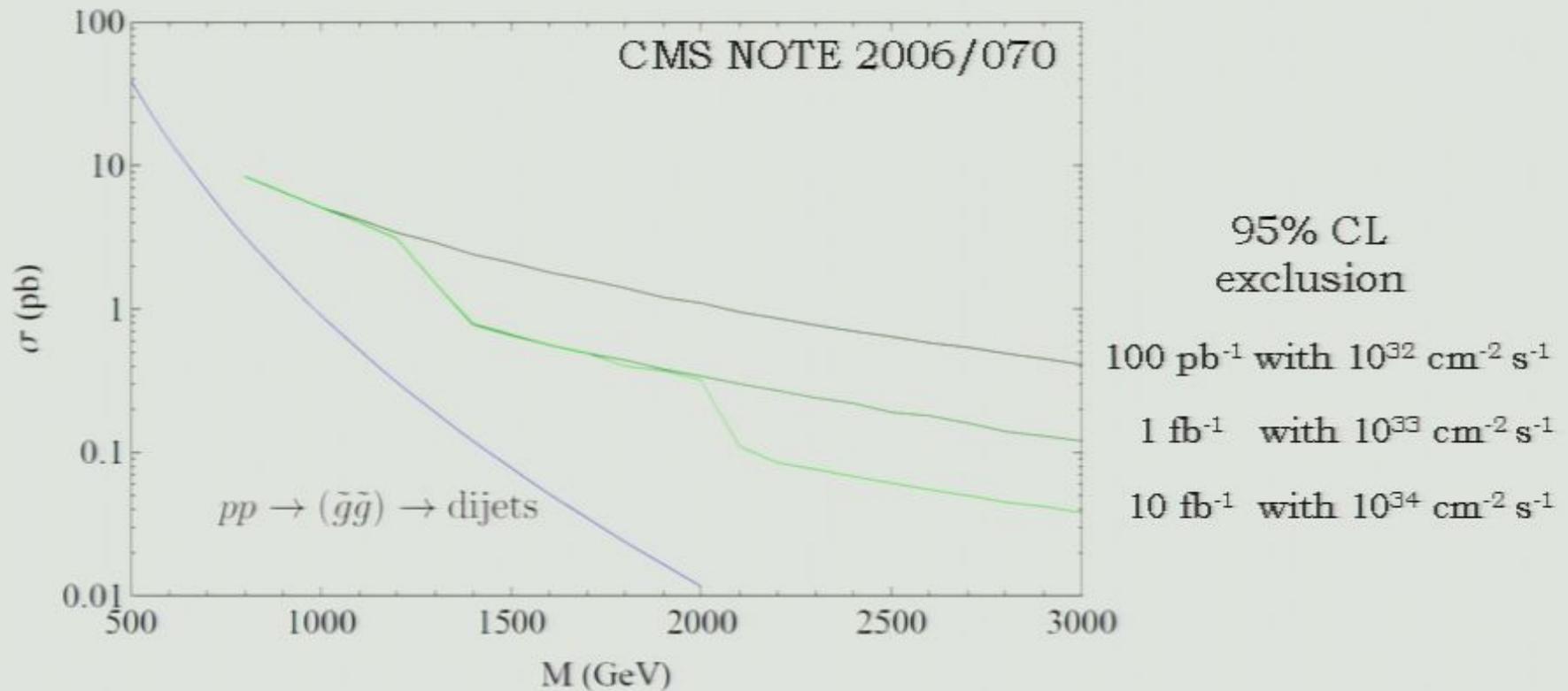
Glauino mass: 800 GeV



3σ at 10^3 - 10^4 fb^{-1}

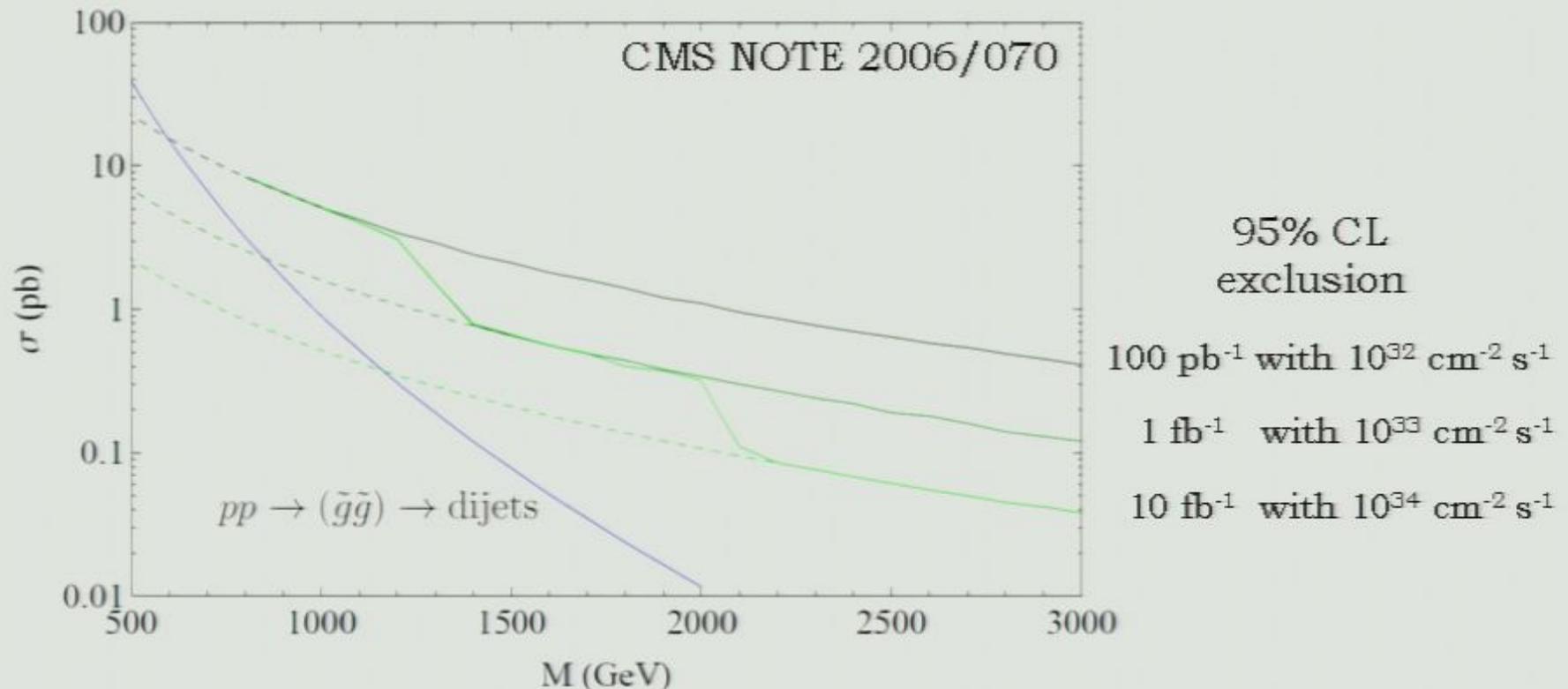
$$\frac{S}{B} \sim 0.05\%$$

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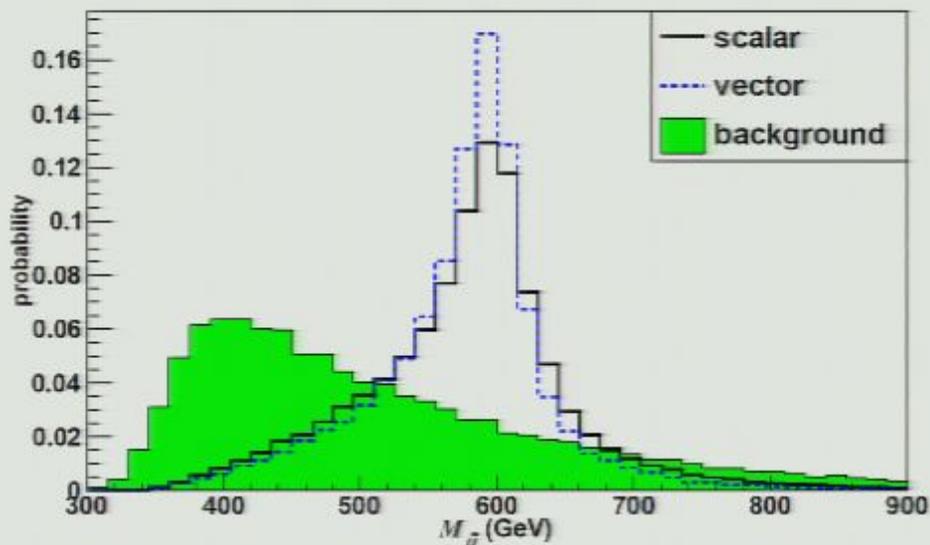
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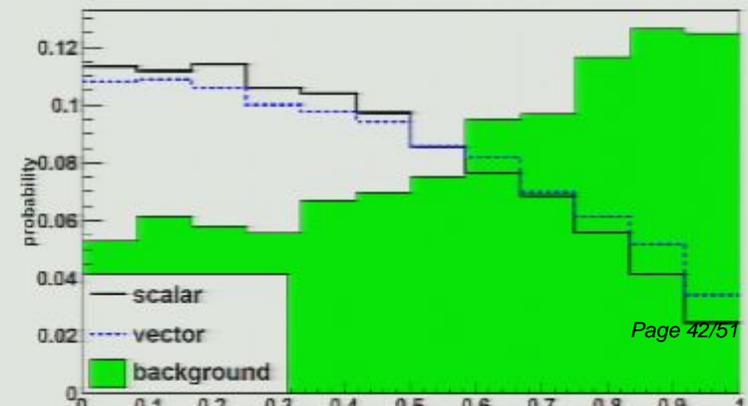
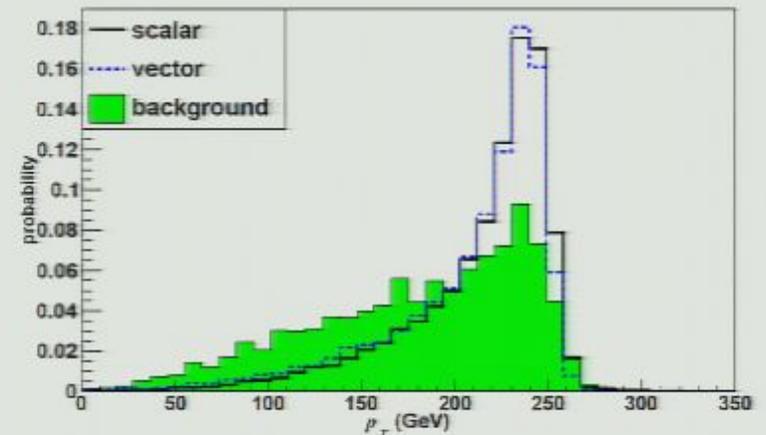
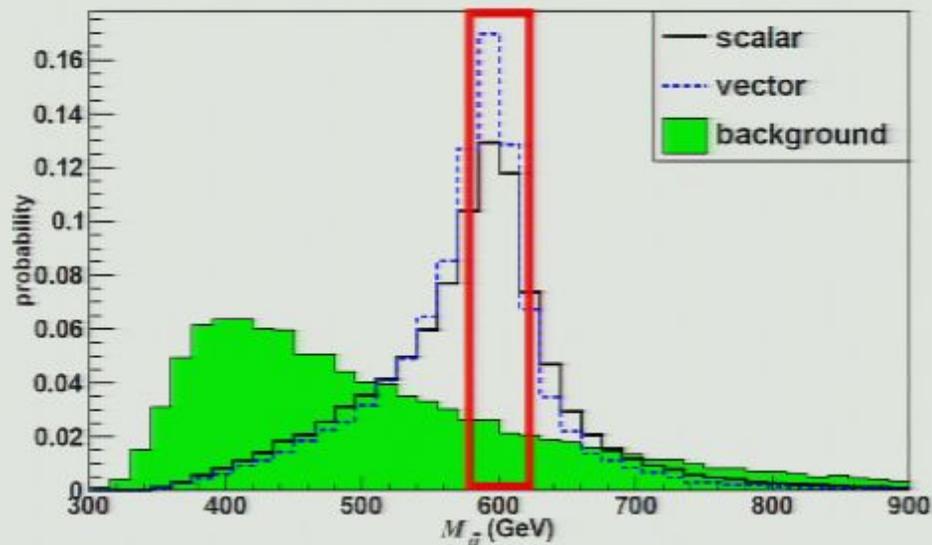
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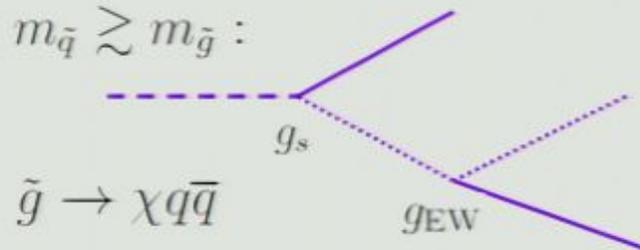
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Gluinonium vs. squarkonium

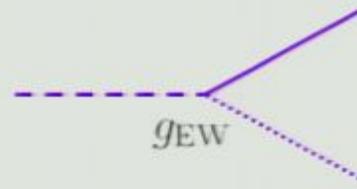
$$m_{\tilde{q}} \gtrsim m_{\tilde{g}} :$$



$$\tilde{g} \rightarrow \chi q \bar{q}$$

 g_{EW}

$$\Gamma_{\tilde{g}} \sim \frac{\alpha \alpha_s m_{\tilde{g}}}{16\pi \sin^2 \theta_W} \left(\frac{m_{\tilde{g}}}{m_{\tilde{q}}} \right)^4$$



$$\tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{q}' W \quad \tilde{q} \rightarrow q \chi$$

$$\Gamma_{\tilde{q}} \sim \alpha m \sim \alpha_s^2 m$$

Problem 1: Squarks decay too fast.

$$8 \otimes 8 = 1 \oplus 8_S \oplus 8_A \oplus 10 \oplus \bar{10} \oplus 27$$

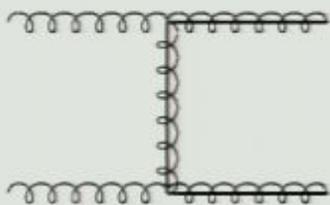
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$$3 \otimes \bar{3} = 1 \oplus 8$$

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$$C_1 = 3, \quad C_{8_S} = C_{8_A} = \frac{3}{2}$$

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Problem 2: Squarkonium cross-sections are much smaller

A second chance for the squarkonium

The lightest stop might be sufficiently long-lived.

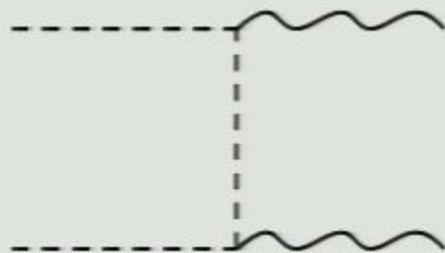
Not generic in mSUGRA.

Yes in “compressed supersymmetry” models
or models with electroweak-scale baryogenesis.

In these models, narrow stoponium will exist.

Herrero, Méndez, Rizzo '88
Drees, Nojiri '94, '94
Martin '08
Martin, Younkin '09

Squarks are charged and can annihilate into $\gamma\gamma$:



$$\frac{\Gamma_{(\tilde{t}\tilde{t}^*) \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}}{\Gamma_{(\tilde{t}\tilde{t}^*) \rightarrow gg}} = \frac{8 \alpha^2}{9 \alpha_s^2} \simeq 0.005$$

Stoponium signal is viable at a sufficiently large luminosity.

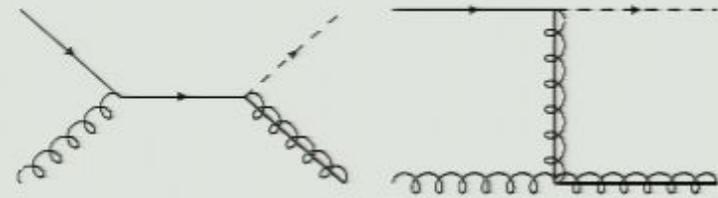
No second chance for di-squarks or squark-gluino bound states



$$q_i + q_j \longrightarrow \tilde{q}_i + \tilde{q}_j$$

$$3 \otimes 3 = \bar{3} \oplus 6$$

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$$q_i + g \longrightarrow \tilde{q}_i + \tilde{g}$$

$$3 \otimes 8 = 3 \oplus \bar{6} \oplus 15$$

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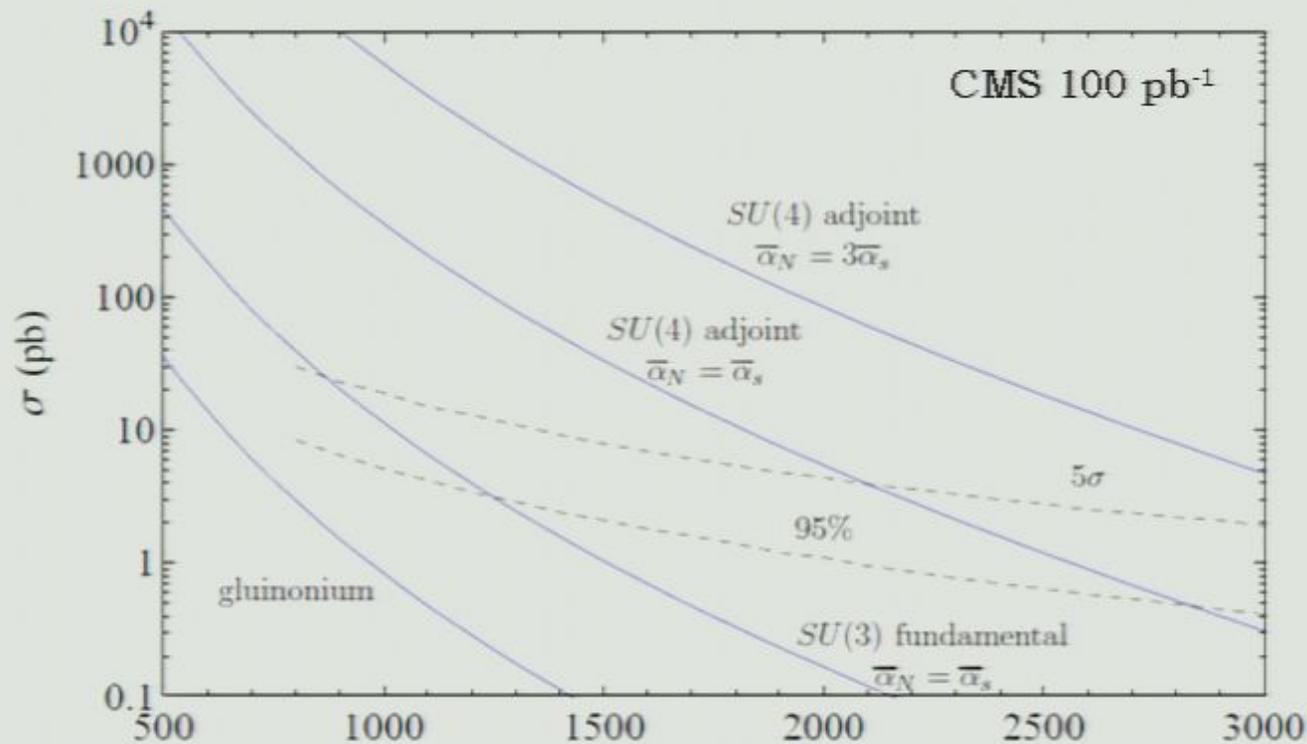
- The squarks decay too fast, like we discussed for the squarkonium.
- Di-stops and stop-gluino bound states cannot be produced because this would require having top quarks in the proton pdfs.

Bound states with new forces

For QCD bound states: $V(r) = -C \frac{\bar{\alpha}_s}{r}$ $\frac{\sigma^{\text{bound}}}{\sigma^{\text{cont}}} \sim (C \bar{\alpha}_s)^3$

Suppose the new colored particles are charged also under representation R of a new $SU(N)$ with coupling constant α_N .
Then $C \bar{\alpha}_s \rightarrow C \bar{\alpha}_s + C_R \bar{\alpha}_N$.

Example: “gluinos” that are charged also under a new group:



Conclusions – MSSM

Gluinonium

- Exists, if the gluino is not too heavy compared to the lightest squark.
- The annihilation into dijets and/or $t\bar{t}$ can probably be detected if the gluino is not much heavier than 300 GeV, once the systematics of the background are under control.

Stoponium

- Can exist if the lighter stop is very light.
- Cannot be seen in dijet or $t\bar{t}$ channels, but can be seen in $\gamma\gamma$.

**Other flavors
of squarkonia**

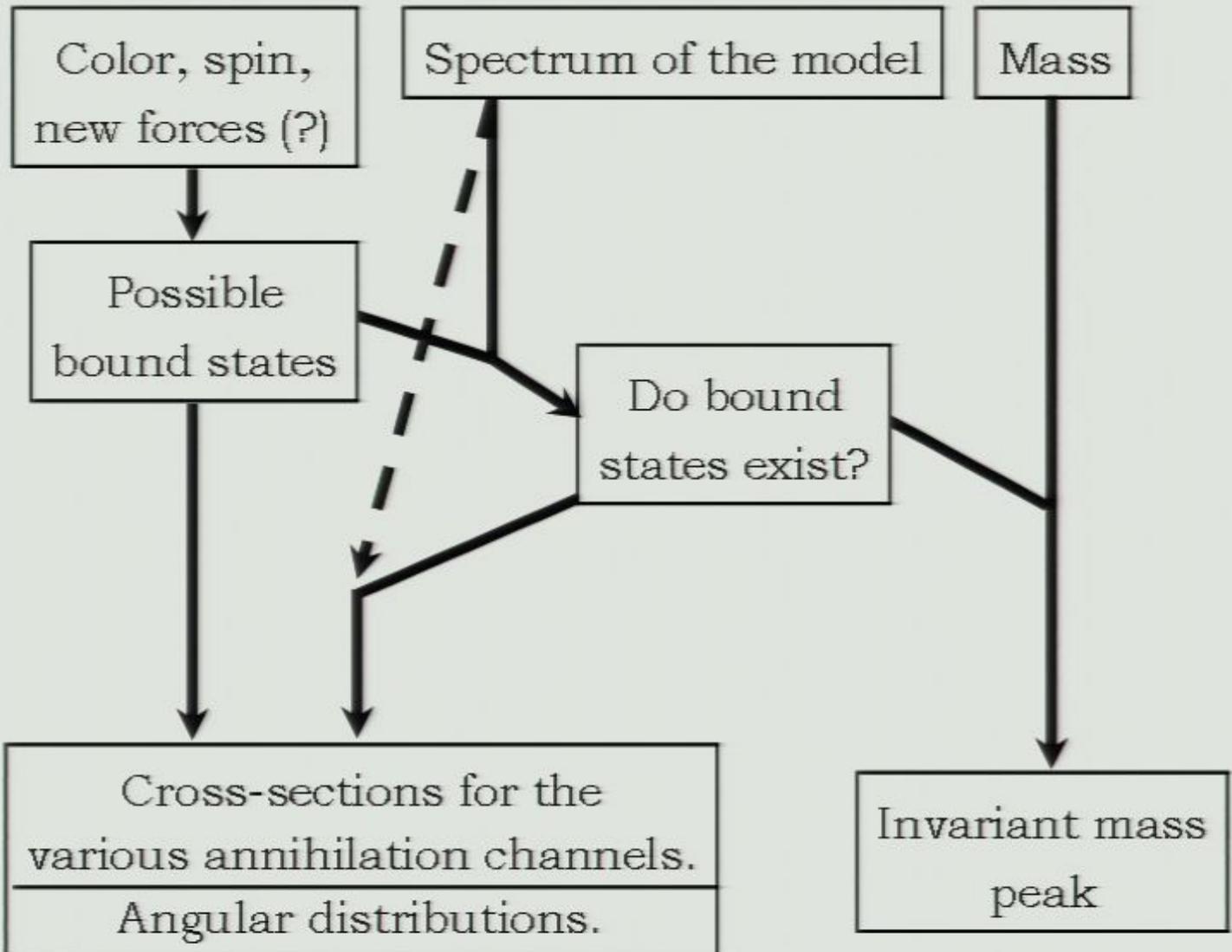
Di-squarks

**Squark-gluino
bound states**

- Unlikely to exist for any MSSM spectrum (like the toponium)

Conclusions – general

**NEW PHYSICS
MODEL**

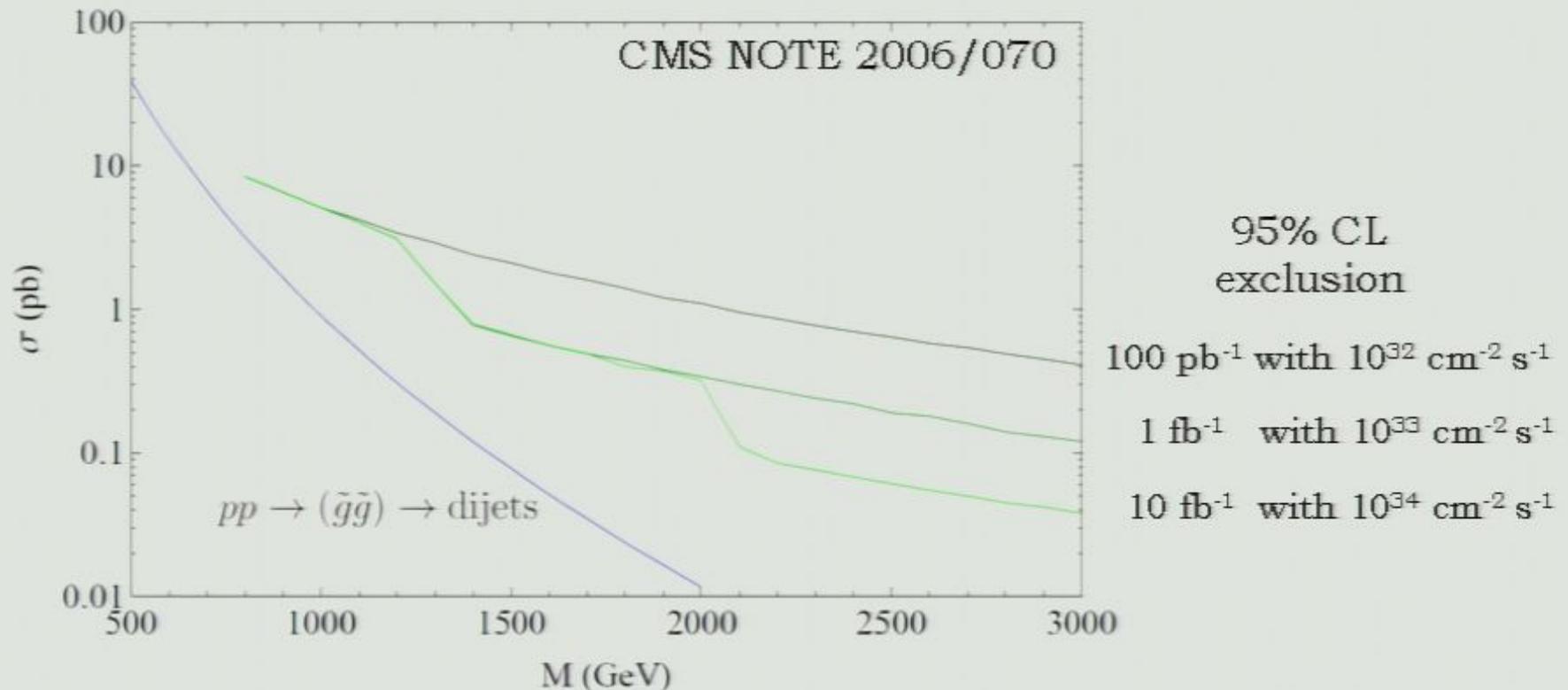


EXPERIMENT



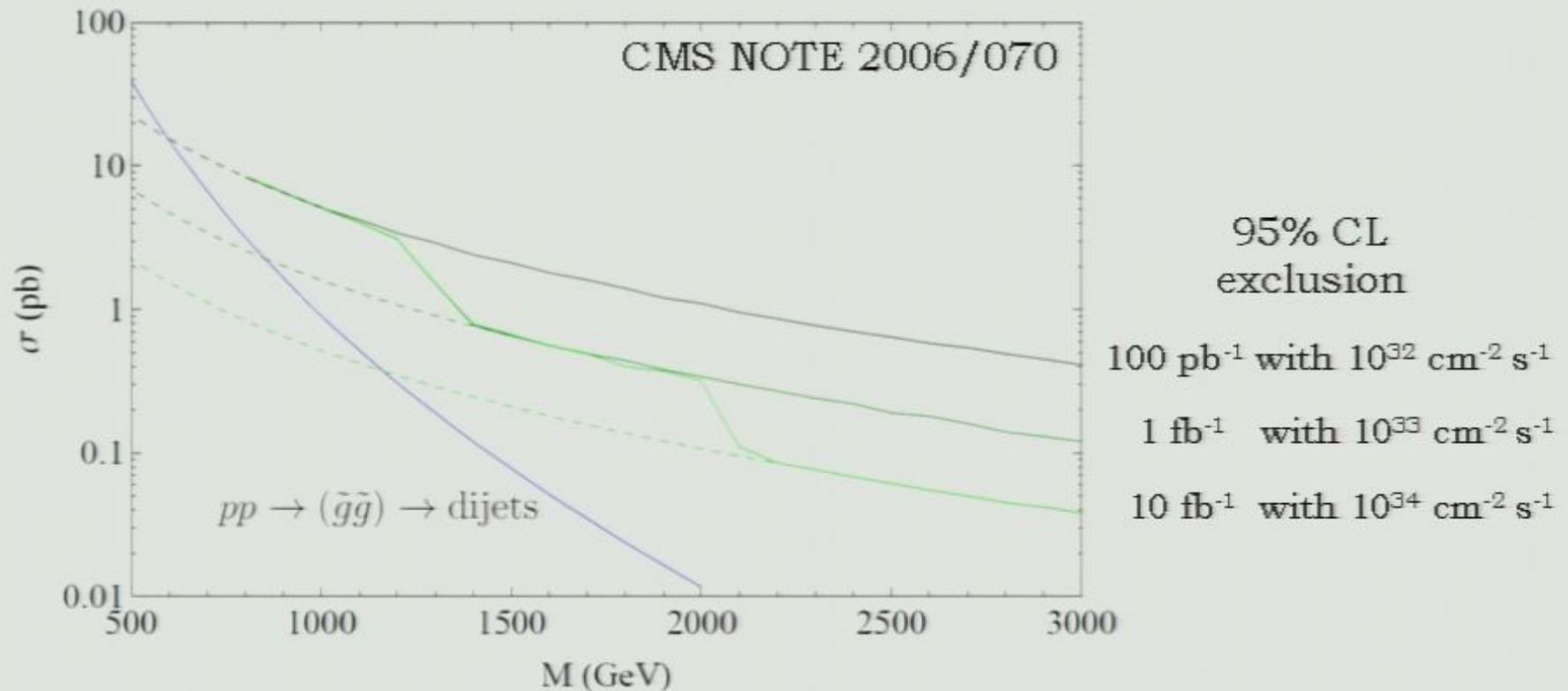
Hope we'll find you, guys ;)

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