

Towards a more precise prediction of the dark matter relic density

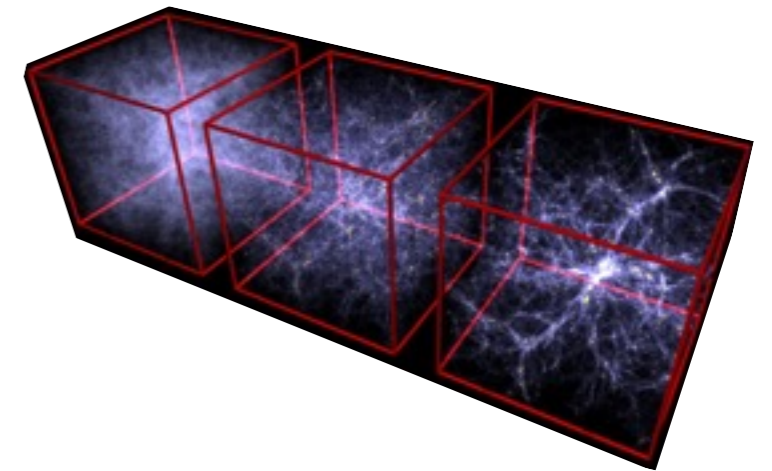
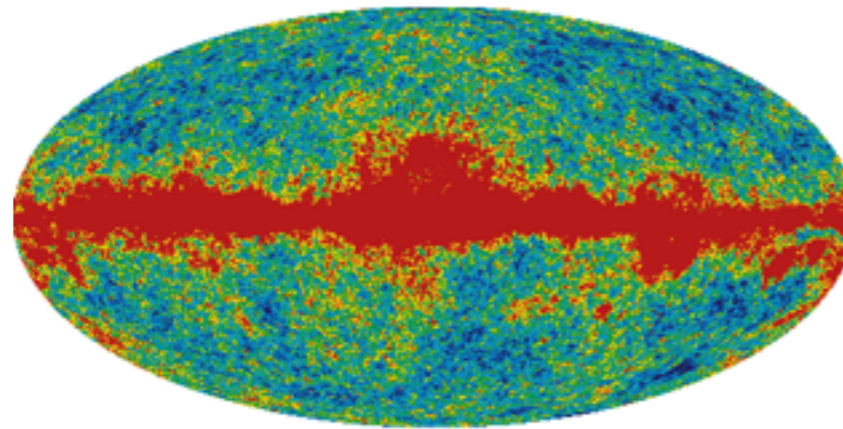
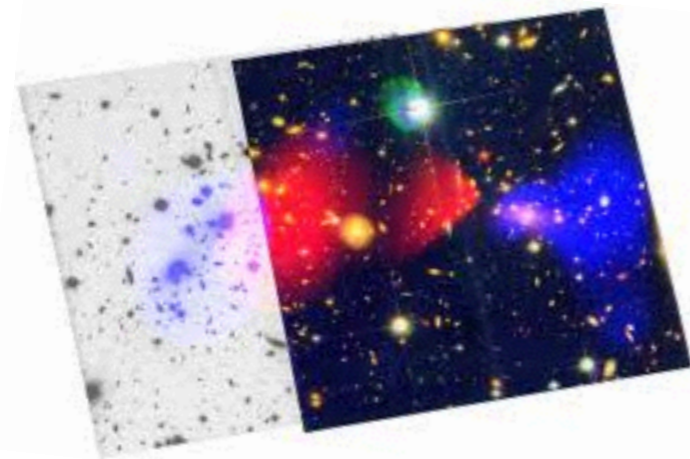
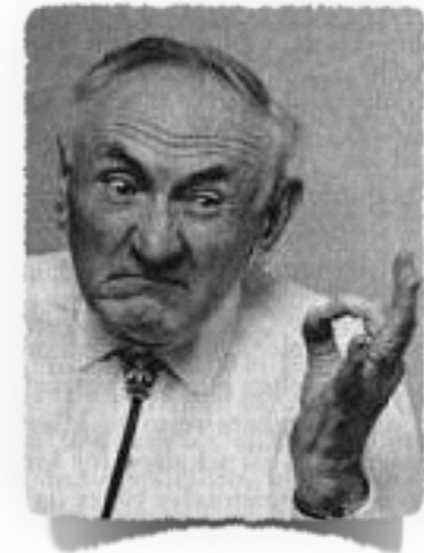
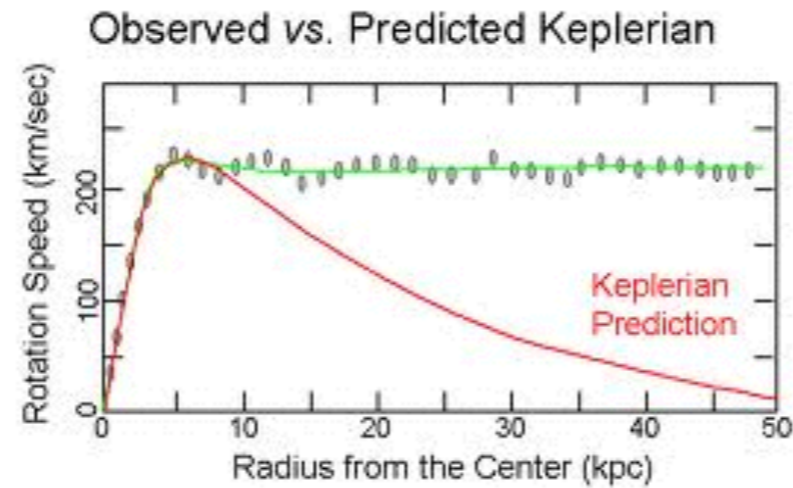
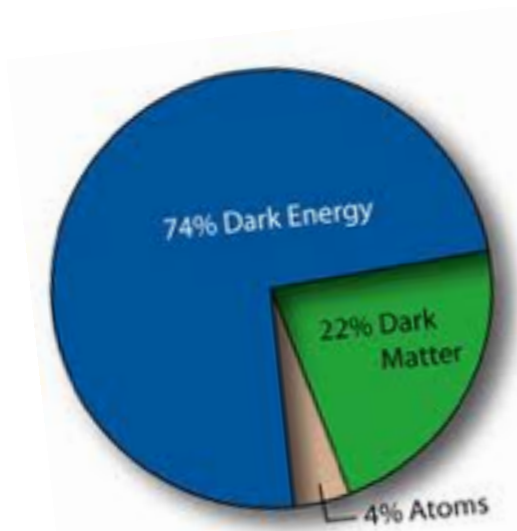
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Dark matter...



- ... accounts for about 22% of the energy content of our Universe
- ... is supposed to be a “**weakly interacting massive particle**” (WIMP)
- ... is not explained within the Standard Model
- ... **therefore strongly hints towards New Physics** — here: Supersymmetry / MSSM

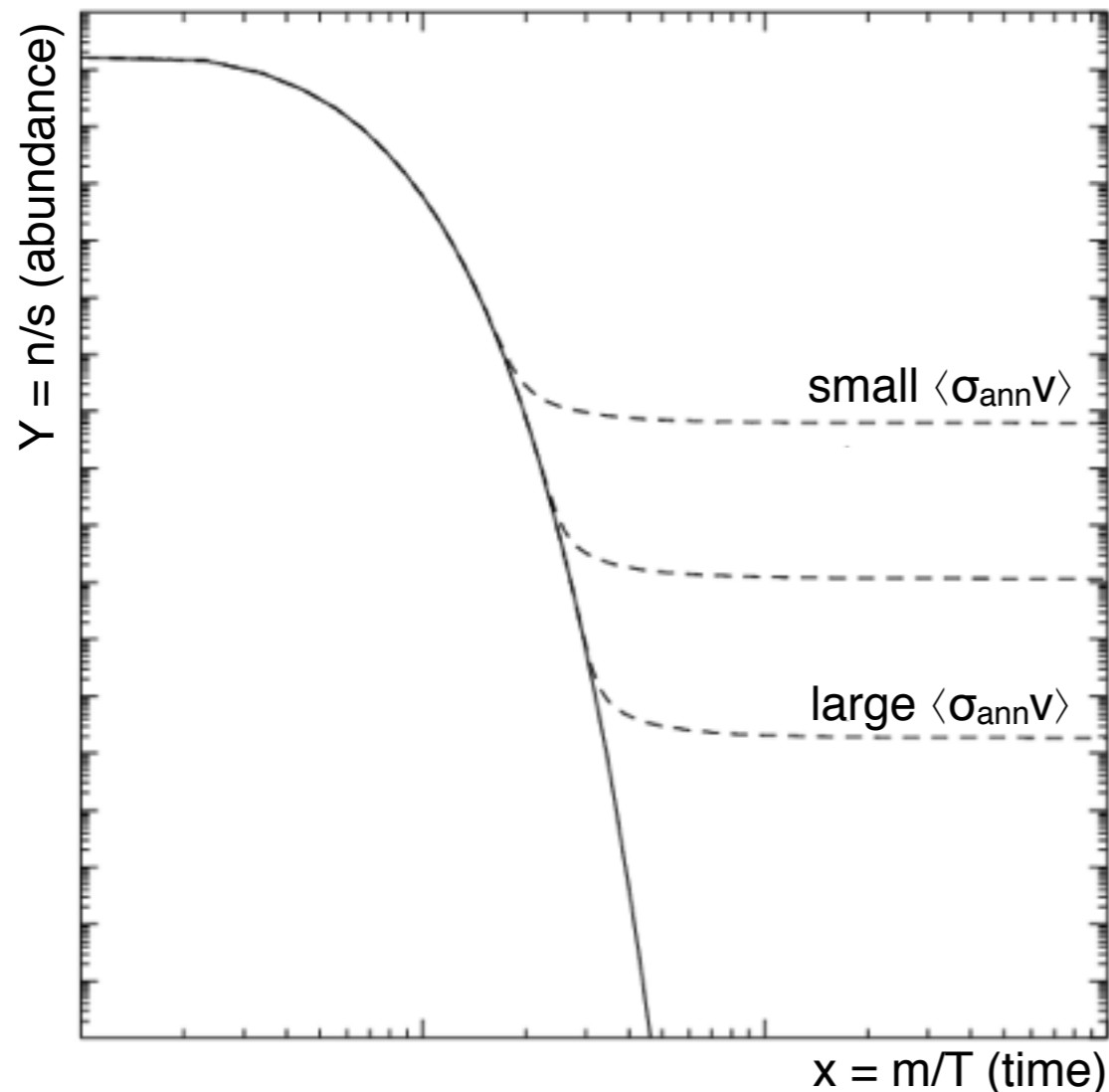
The Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model (MSSM)

SM Particles		Spin		Spin	Superpartners	
Quarks	$(u_L \ d_L)$	1/2	Q	0	$(\tilde{u}_L \ \tilde{d}_L)$	Squarks
	u_R^\dagger	1/2	\bar{u}	0	\tilde{u}_R^*	
	d_R^\dagger	1/2	\bar{d}	0	\tilde{d}_R^*	
Leptons	$(\nu \ e_L)$	1/2	L	0	$(\tilde{\nu} \ \tilde{e}_L)$	Sleptons
	e_R^\dagger	1/2	\bar{e}	0	\tilde{e}_R^*	
Higgs	$(H_u^+ \ H_u^0)$	0	H_u	1/2	$\tilde{\chi}_{1,2,3,4}^0$	Neutralinos
	$(H_d^0 \ H_d^-)$	0	H_d			
W bosons	W^0, W^\pm	1		1/2	$\tilde{\chi}_{1,2}^\pm$	Charginos
B boson	B^0	1				
Gluon	g	1		1/2	\tilde{g}	Gluino
Graviton	G	2		3/2	\tilde{G}	Gravitino

Lightest neutralino is dark matter (WIMP) candidate “par excellence”

$$\tilde{\chi}_1^0 = Z_{1\tilde{B}}\tilde{B} + Z_{1\tilde{W}}\tilde{W} + Z_{1\tilde{H}_1}\tilde{H}_1 + Z_{1\tilde{H}_2}\tilde{H}_2$$

Dark matter relic abundance — freeze-out picture



Time evolution of number density of the relic particle described by Boltzmann equation

$$\frac{dn}{dt} = -3Hn - \langle\sigma_{\text{ann}}v\rangle (n^2 - n_{\text{eq}}^2)$$

Prediction of dark matter relic density (if masses and interactions are known)

$$\Omega_{\chi} h^2 = \frac{m_{\chi} n_{\chi}}{\rho_{\text{crit}}} \sim \frac{1}{\langle\sigma_{\text{ann}}v\rangle}$$

(dis)favoured parameter regions...?

$$\Omega_{\text{CDM}} h^2 = 0.1199 \pm 0.0022$$

Dark matter relic abundance very precisely known
Planck collaboration 2015

Computational tools allow an efficient calculation of the (neutralino) relic density:

DarkSUSY Bergström, Edsjö, Gondolo *et al.* 2004-2015, **micrOMEGAs** Bélanger, Boudjema, Pukhov *et al.* 2003-2015, **SuperIsoRelic** Arbey, Mahmoudi 2008, ...

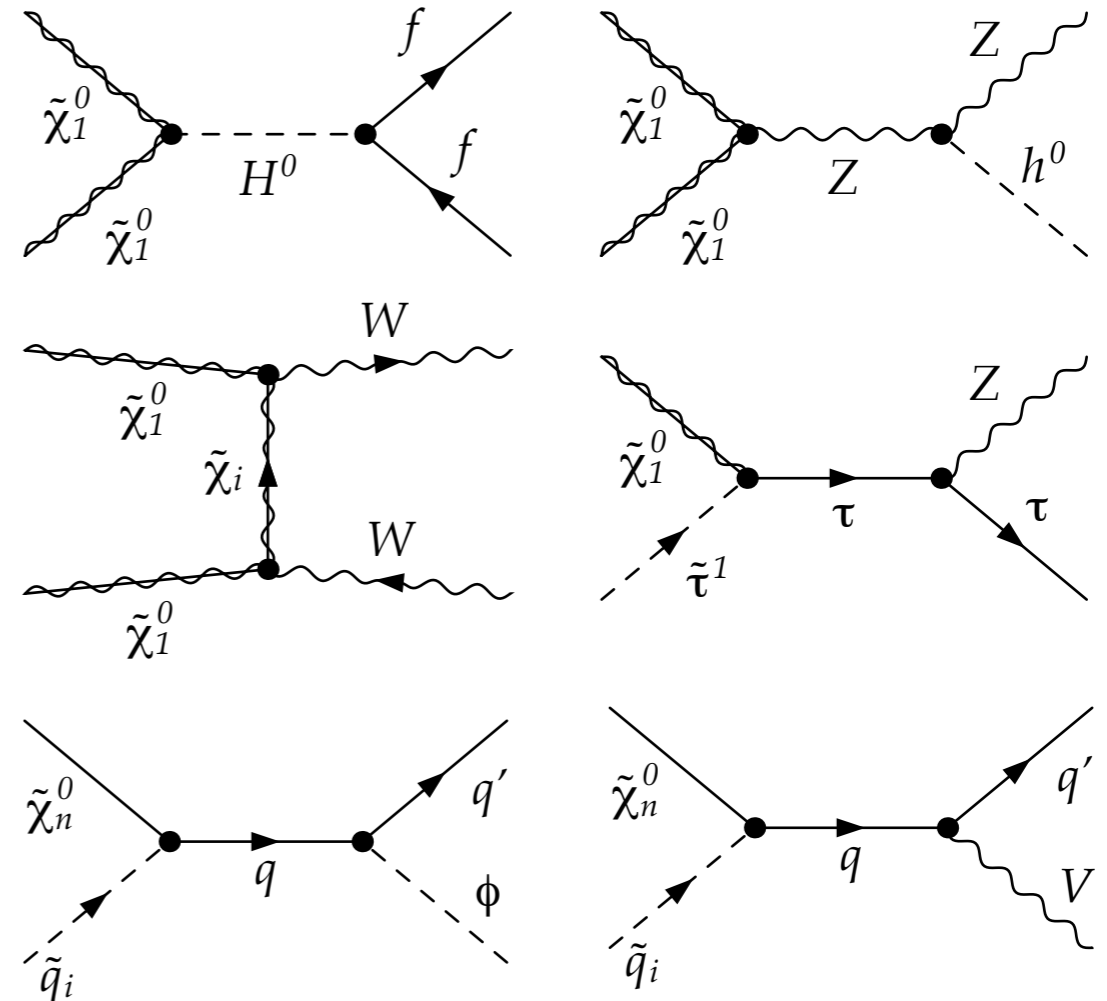
A closer look on the (co)annihilation cross-section

Time evolution of relic particle described by Boltzmann equation

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$$\langle \sigma_{\text{ann}} v \rangle = \sum_{i,j} \sigma_{ij} v_{ij} \frac{n_i^{\text{eq}}}{n_{\chi}} \frac{n_j^{\text{eq}}}{n_{\chi}}$$

$$\frac{n_i^{\text{eq}}}{n_{\chi}} \sim \exp \left\{ -\frac{m_i - m_{\chi}}{T} \right\}$$



Only co-annihilations with almost mass-degenerate particles are numerical relevant

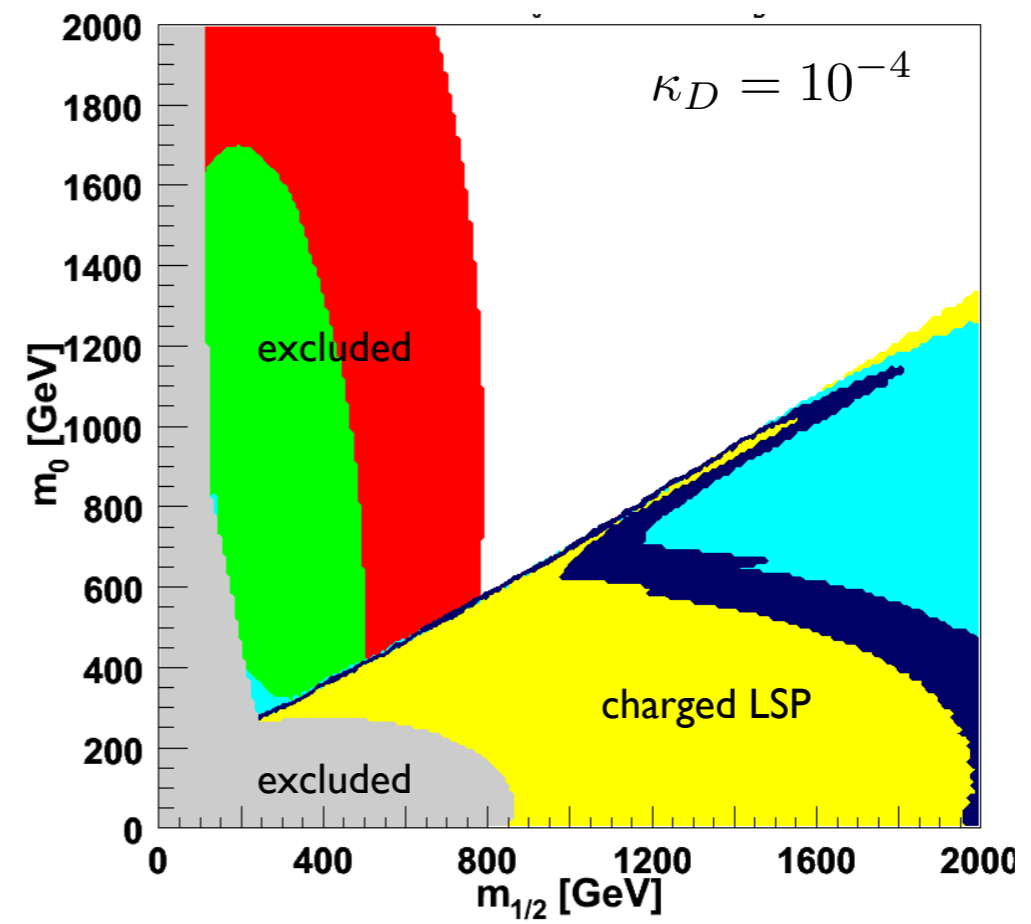
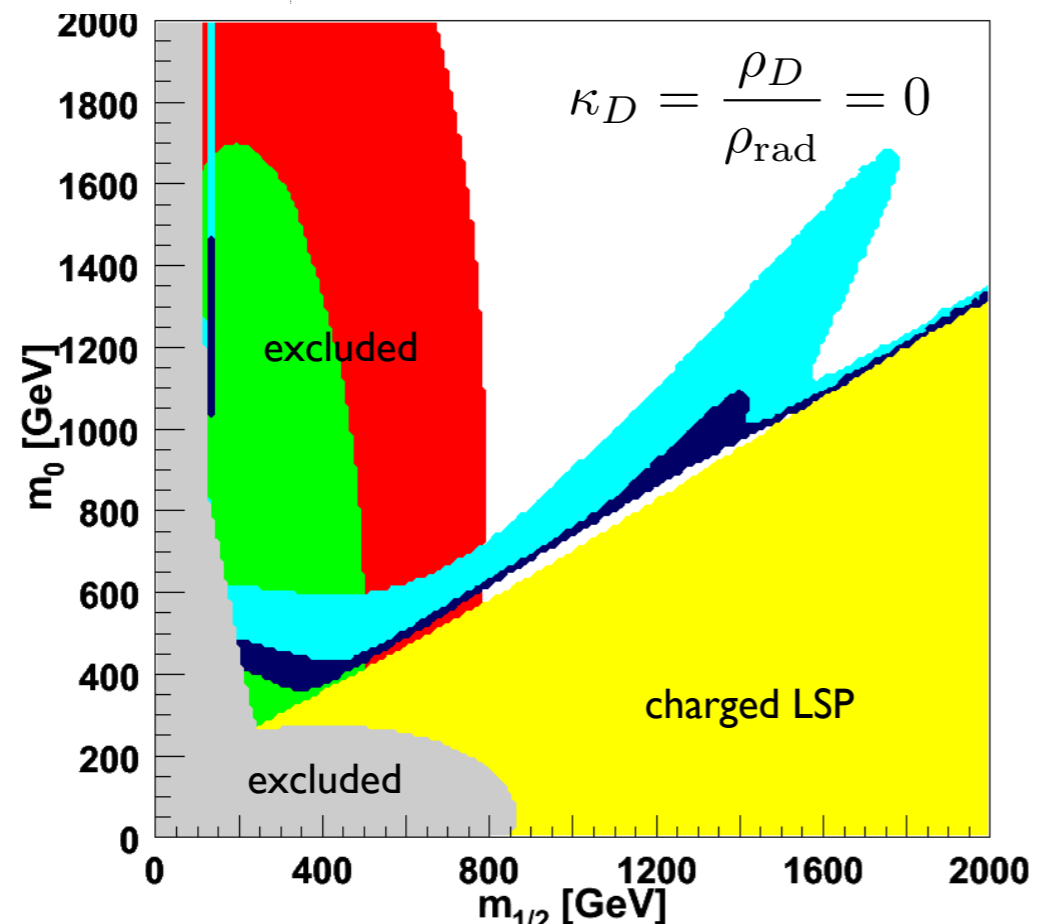
Typical examples in MSSM: other neutralinos, charginos, stau, stop

Uncertainties — Cosmology...

$$\frac{dn}{dt} = -3Hn - \langle \sigma_{\text{ann}} v \rangle (n^2 - n_{\text{eq}}^2)$$

$$\Omega_\chi h^2 = \frac{m_\chi n_\chi}{\rho_{\text{crit}}} \sim \frac{1}{\langle \sigma_{\text{ann}} v \rangle}$$

Hubble expansion rate might be modified by presence of e.g. dark radiation in early universe... — **SuperIso Relic**



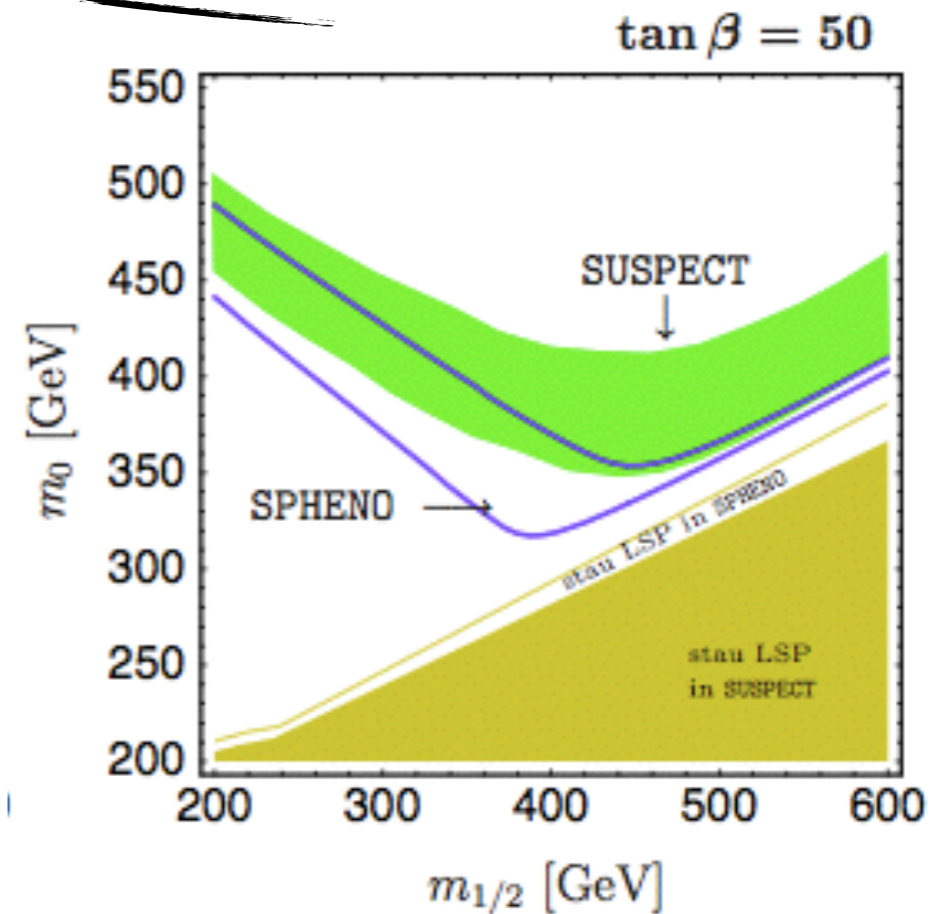
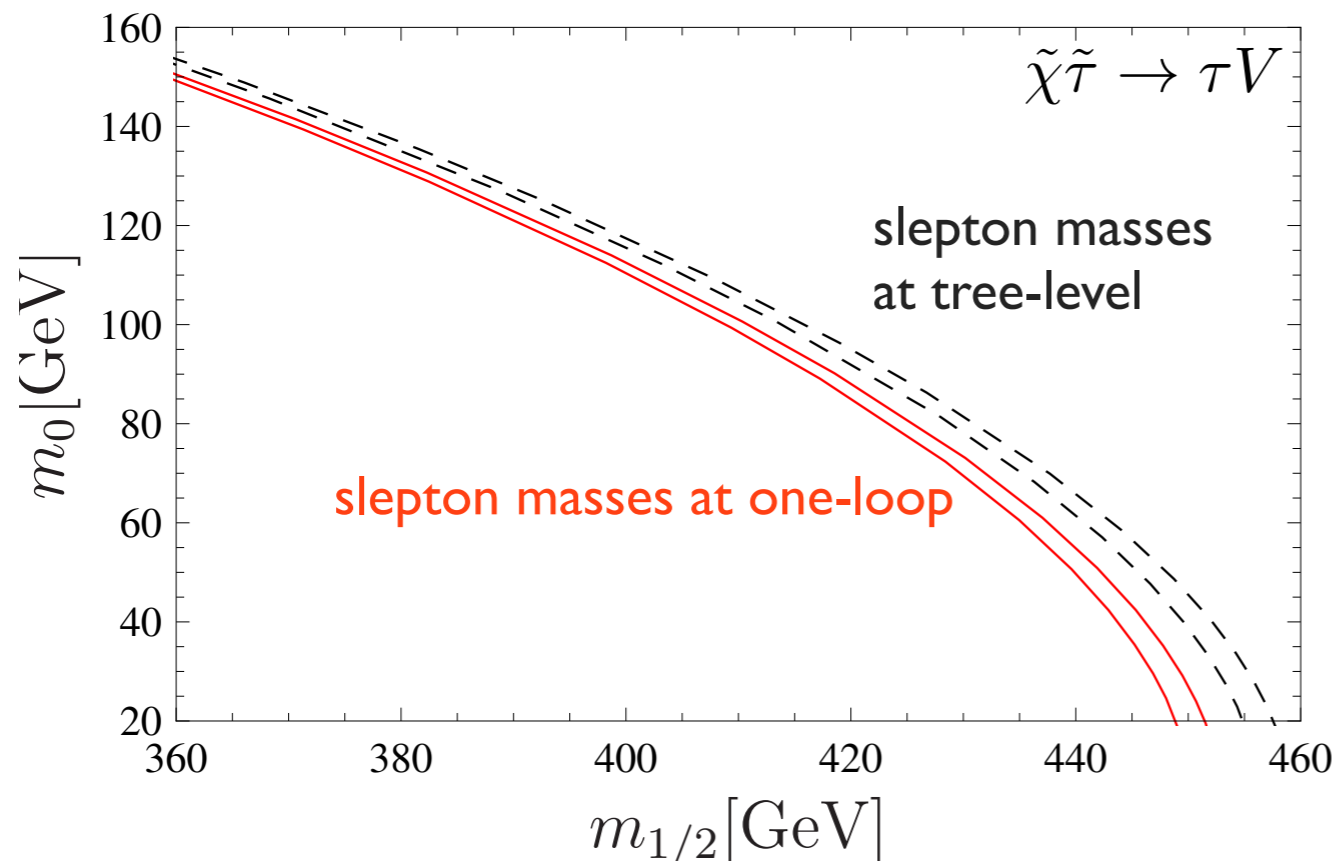
Uncertainties — Particle physics...

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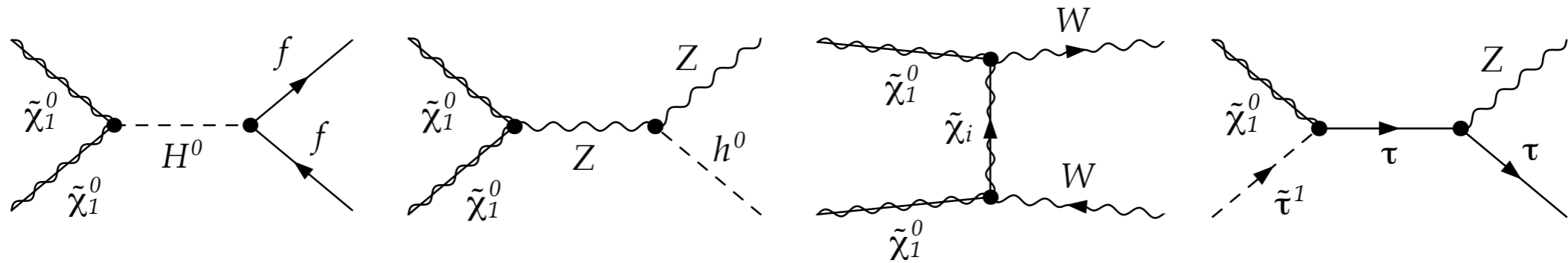
Particle mass calculation

Spectrum generator



Motivation for higher order corrections

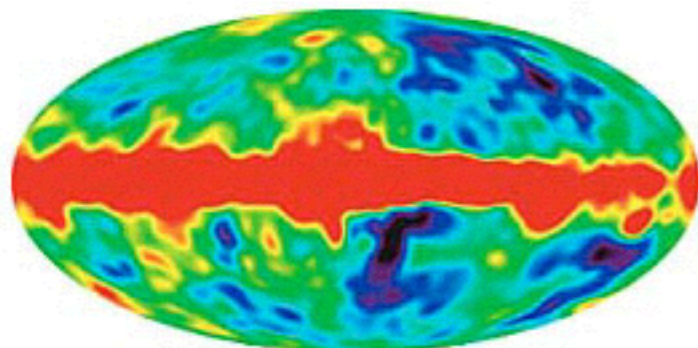
All processes implemented in public codes — **but only at the (effective) tree-level**



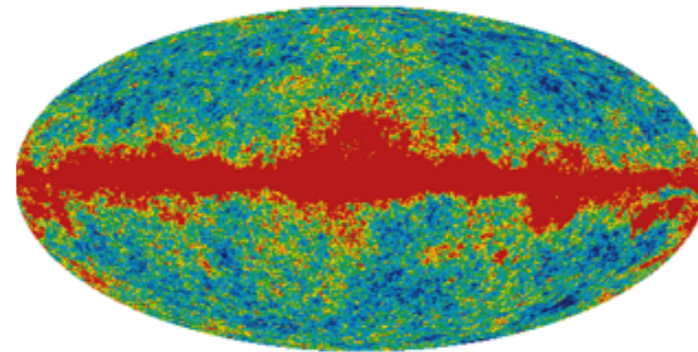
Higher-order loop corrections can give important contributions to cross-sections

In particular, sizeable impact from QCD corrections due to strong coupling constant

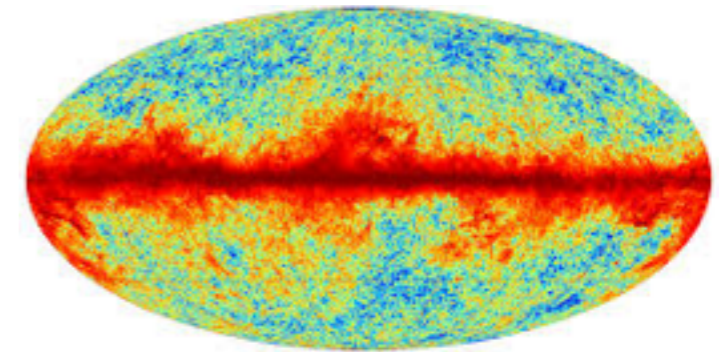
More precise theoretical predictions needed to keep up with experimental improvements



COBE 1989



WMAP 2002



Planck 2013

DM@NL  project — **Provide calculation of σ_{ann} including QCD corrections**
— Extension to public codes (e.g. micrOMEGAs, DarkSUSY)...

DM@NL — Collaboration

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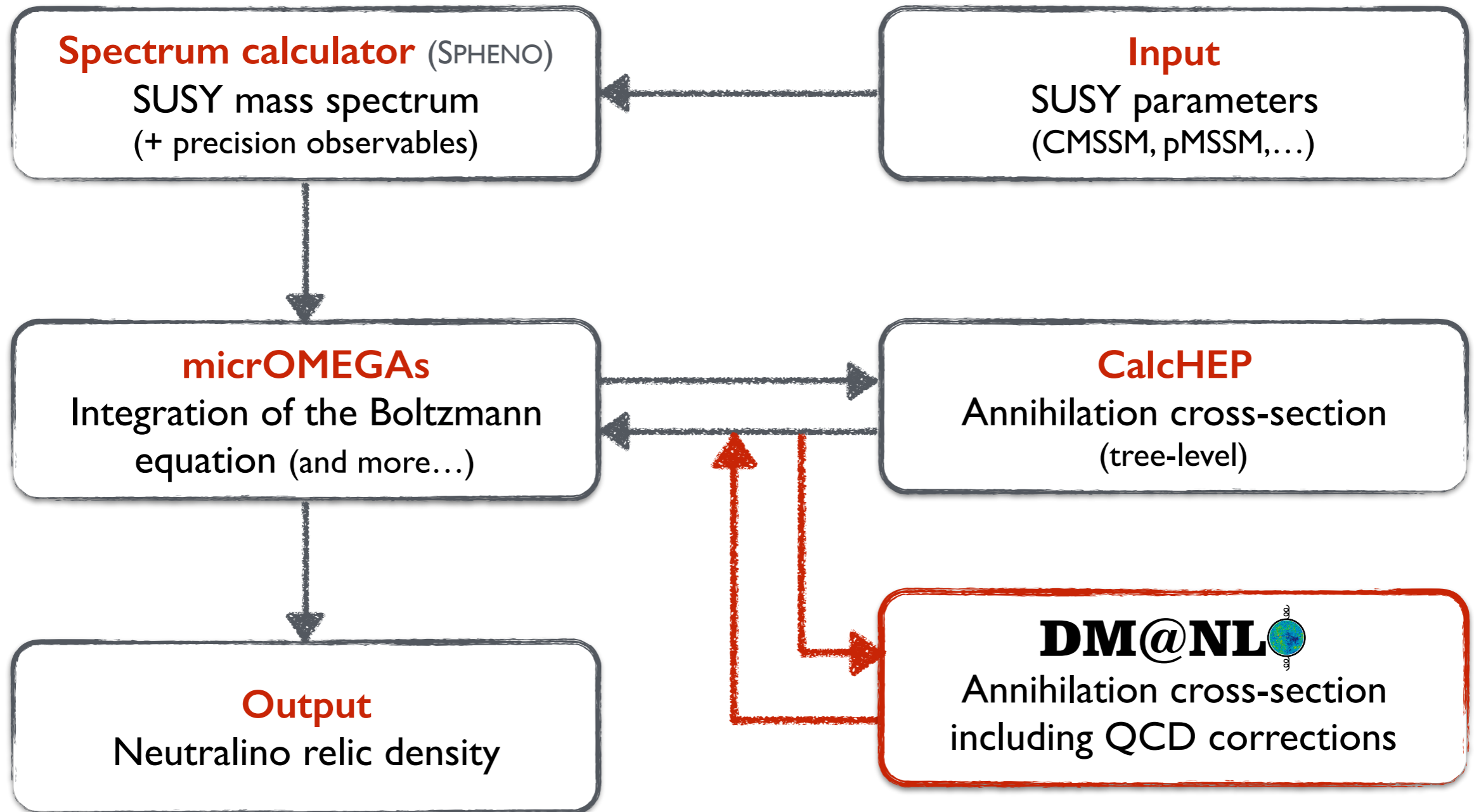
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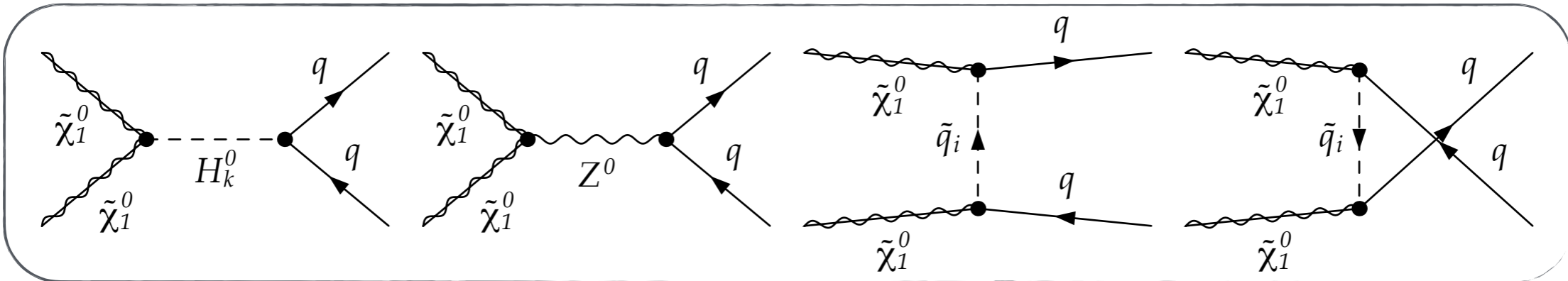
DM@NL — Setup



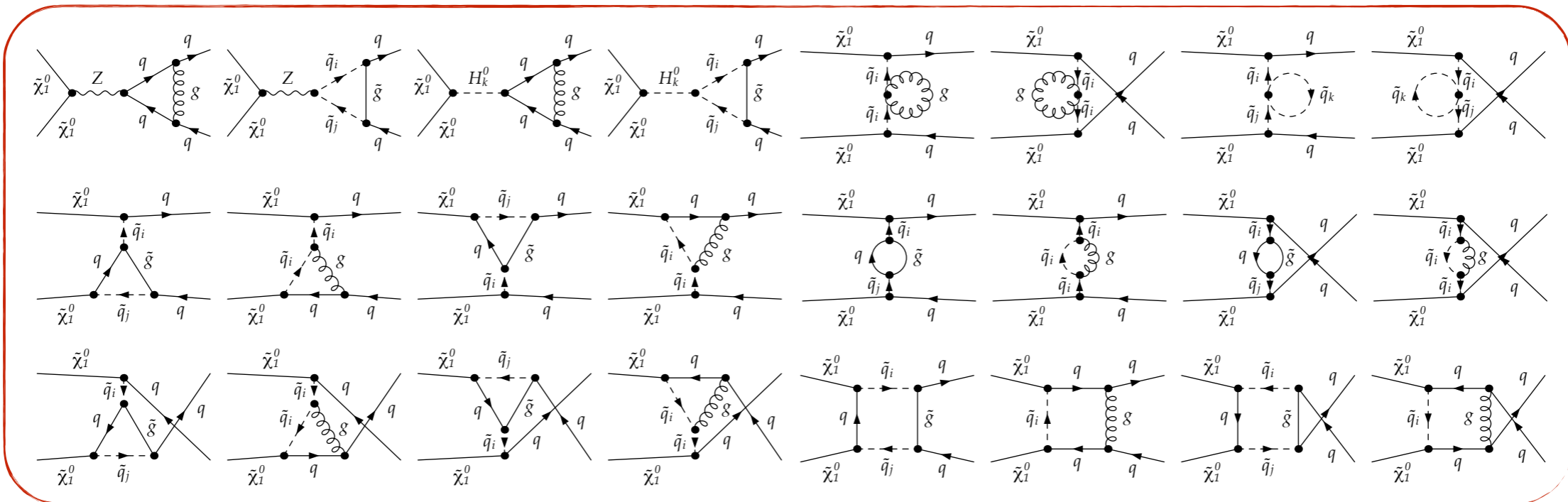
Similar setup for use with DarkSUSY in development...

J. Edsjö, B. Herrmann, C. Niblaeus — *in progress...*

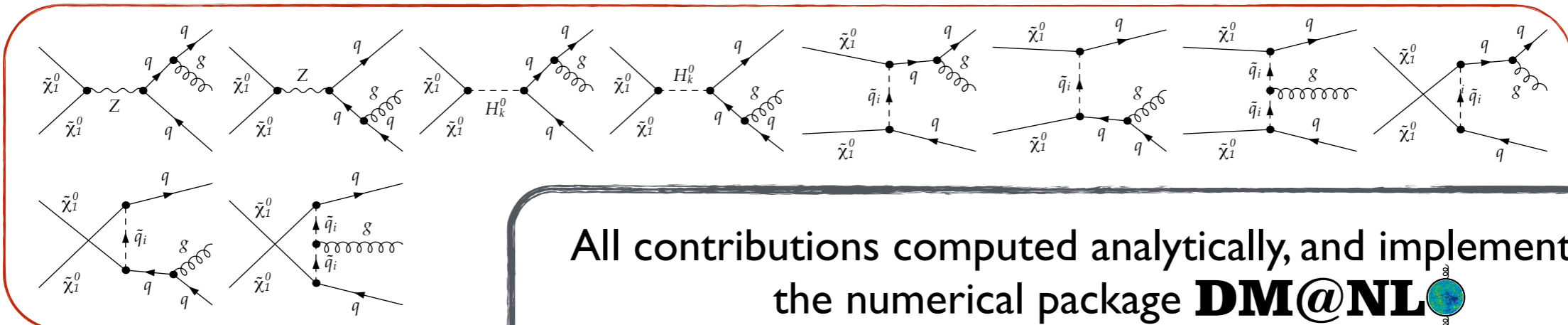
Neutralino pair annihilation into quarks



Loop corrections



Real emission



All contributions computed analytically, and implemented in the numerical package **DM@NL** (goal: extension to existing dark matter codes)

Herrmann, Klasen (2007); Herrmann, Klasen, Kovarik (2009),
Herrmann, Klasen, Kovarik, Meinecke, Steppeler (2013)

Interlude — a few technical details

Loop diagrams include UV-divergent integrals → **Renormalization!**

Hybrid on-shell/ $\overline{\text{DR}}$ renormalization scheme for the squark sector (3rd generation), which is applicable to all (co)annihilation processes

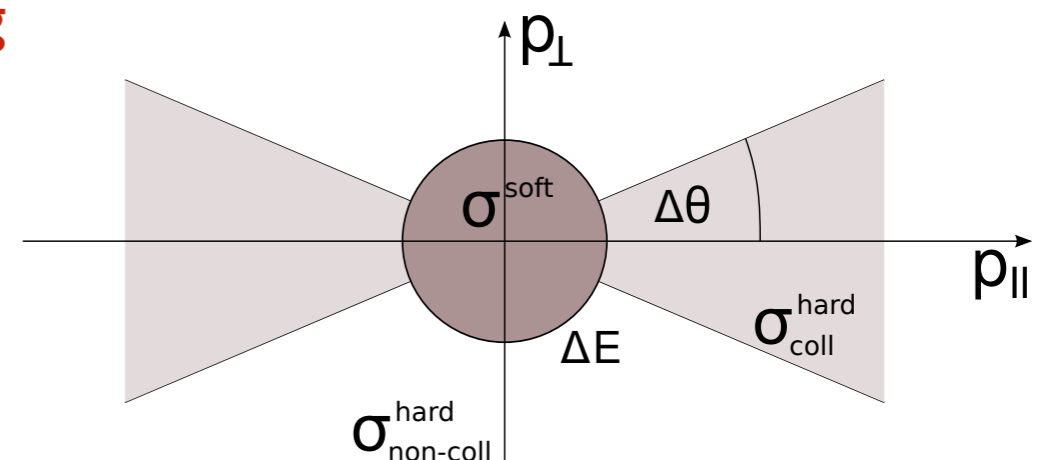


Loop diagrams contain **IR-divergencies** (soft and/or collinear), which vanish when taking into account the real emission of a gluon (2 → 3 processes)

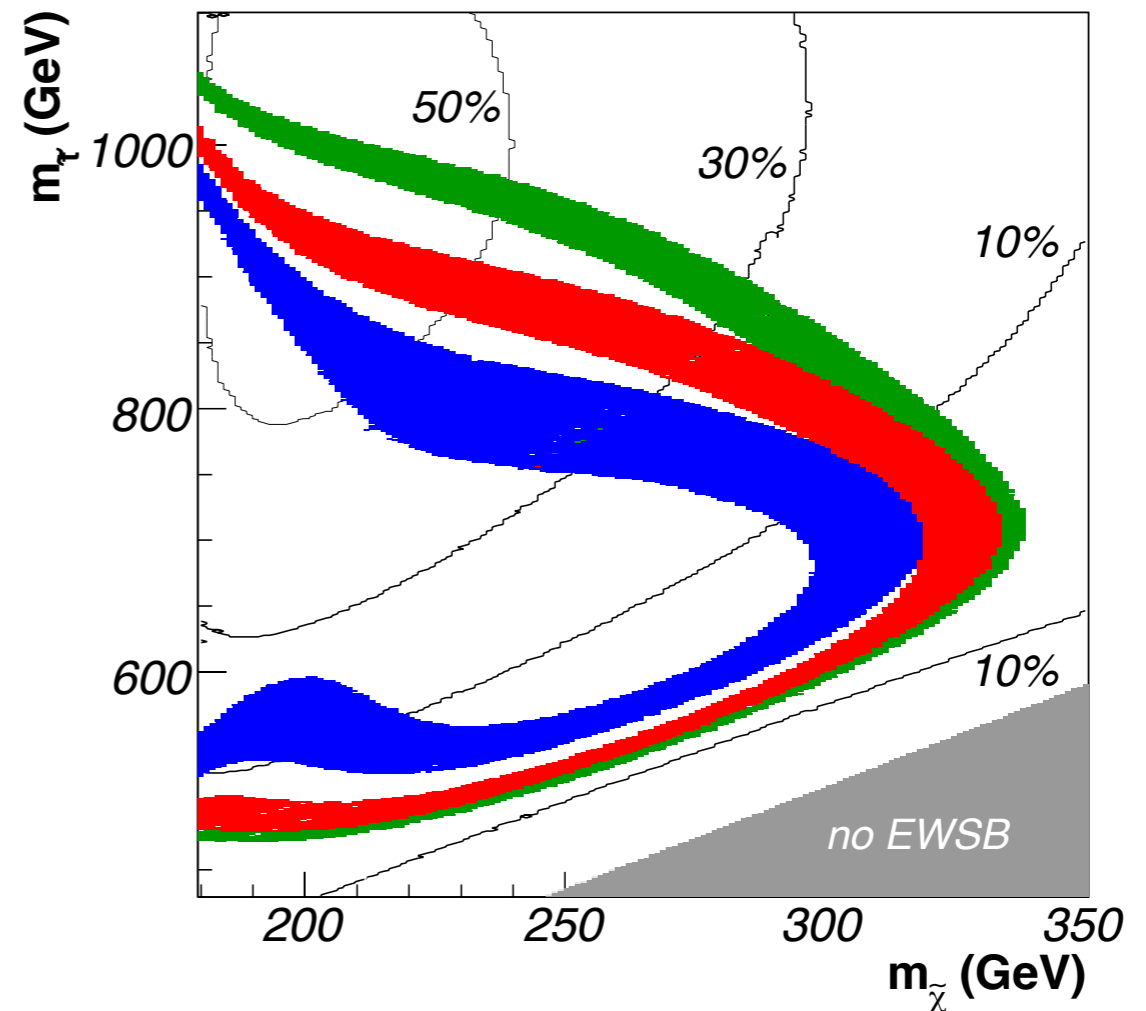
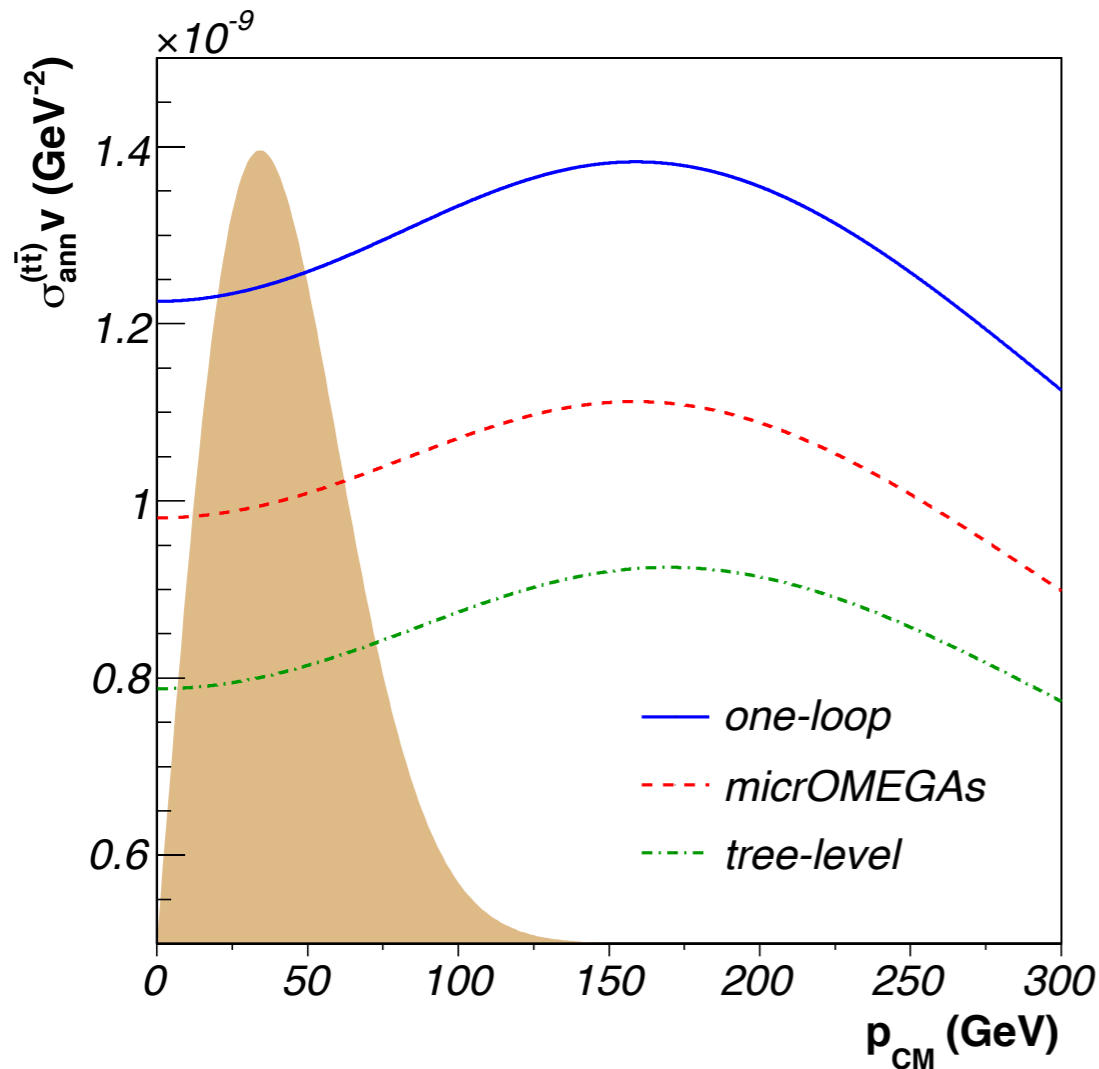
Dipole Subtraction Method and Phase Space Slicing

Catani, Seymour (2001)

$$\sigma_{\text{NLO}} = \int_3 \left[d\sigma^{\text{R}} \Big|_{\epsilon=0} - d\sigma^{\text{A}} \Big|_{\epsilon=0} \right] + \int_2 \left[d\sigma^{\text{V}} + \int_1 d\sigma^{\text{A}} \right]_{\epsilon=0}$$



Neutralino pair annihilation into top quarks

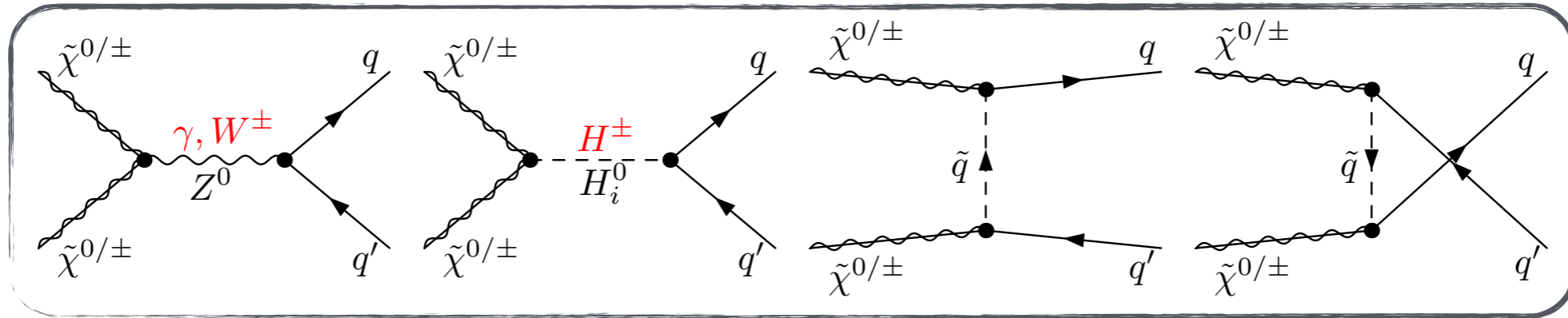


Annihilation cross-section enhanced by up to 50% by radiative corrections

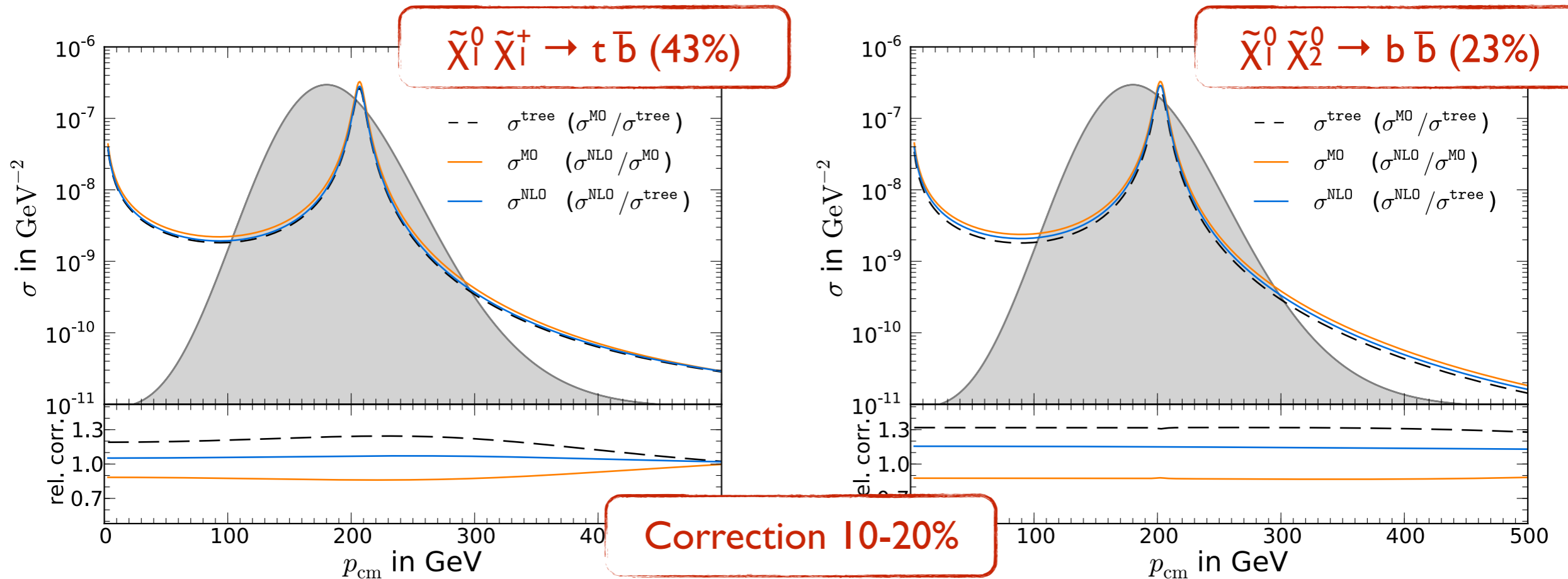
Corrections can lead to **important shifts for preferred regions** (e.g. ~ 200 GeV for m_{stop})

Effective Yukawa couplings (as e.g. in micrOMEGAs) very good approximation around Higgs-resonances, **but other sub-channels can be dominant** (here: Z/squark-exchange)

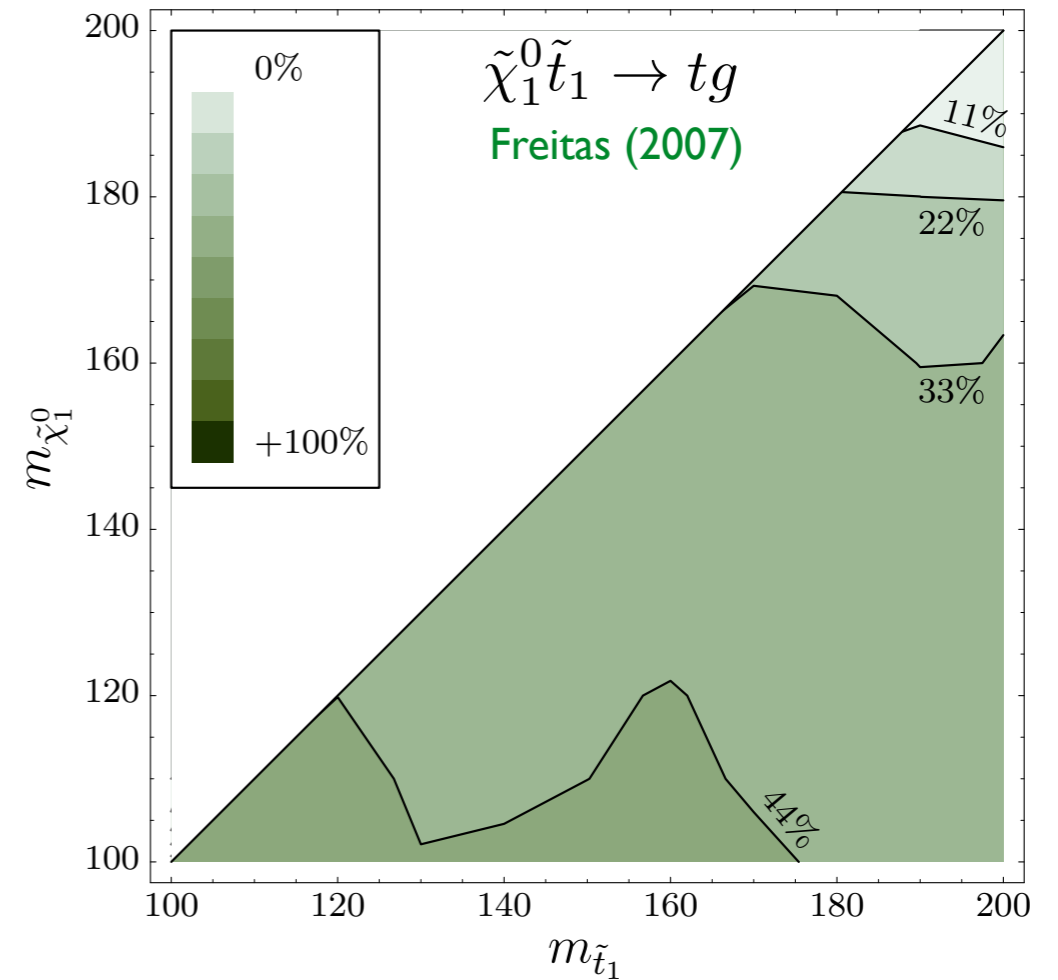
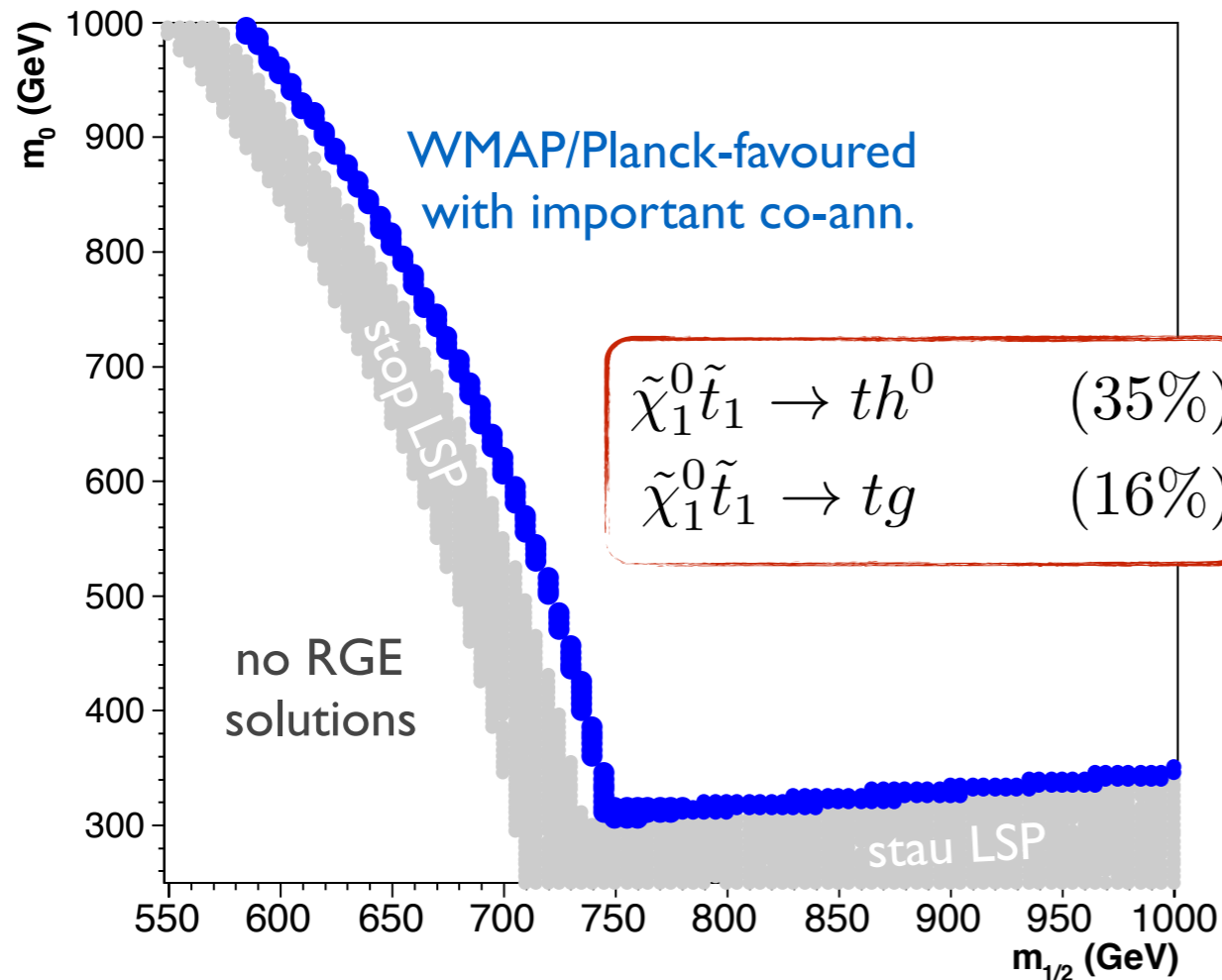
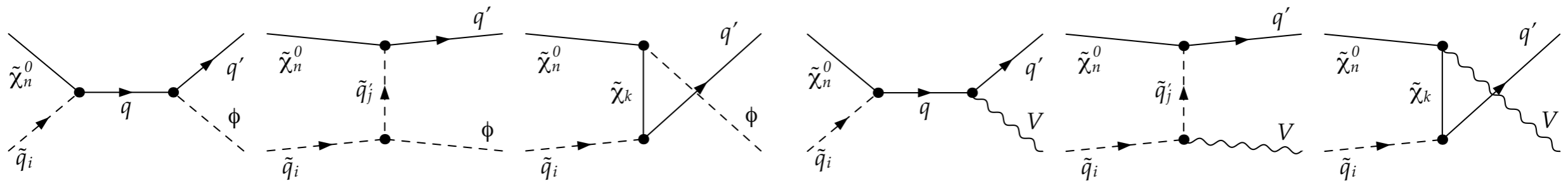
Generalisation to gaugino pair-annihilation



$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$	$m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}$	$m_{\tilde{\chi}_3^0}$	$m_{\tilde{\chi}_4^0}$	$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm}$	$m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^\pm}$	$Z_{1\tilde{B}}$	$Z_{1\tilde{W}}$	$Z_{1\tilde{H}_1}$	$Z_{1\tilde{H}_2}$	m_{h^0}	$\Omega_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} h^2$	$\text{BR}(b \rightarrow s\gamma)$
738.2	802.4	1288.4	1294.5	802.3	1295.1	-0.996	0.049	-0.059	0.037	126.3	0.1243	$3.0 \cdot 10^{-4}$



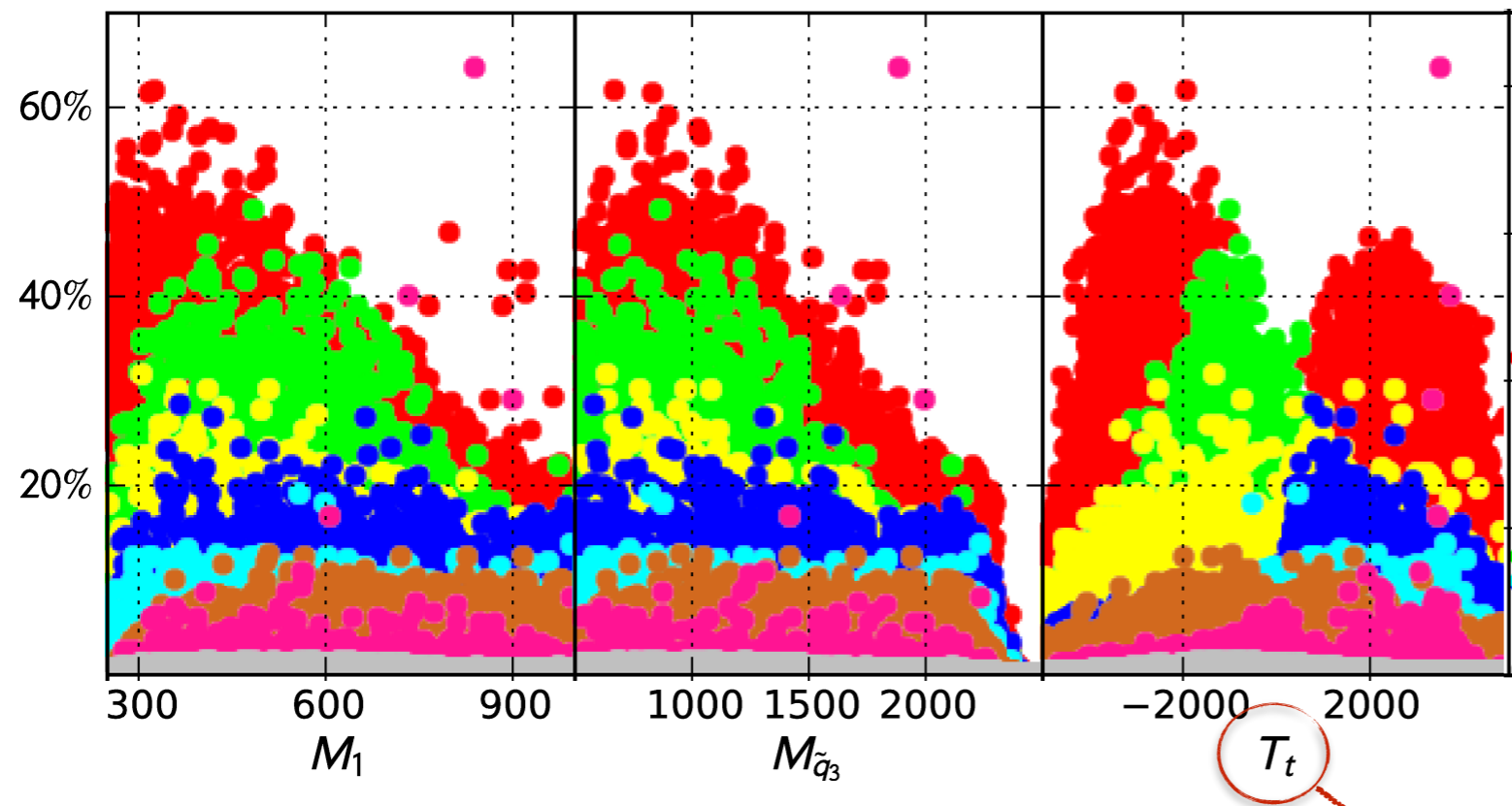
Neutralino-stop co-annihilation



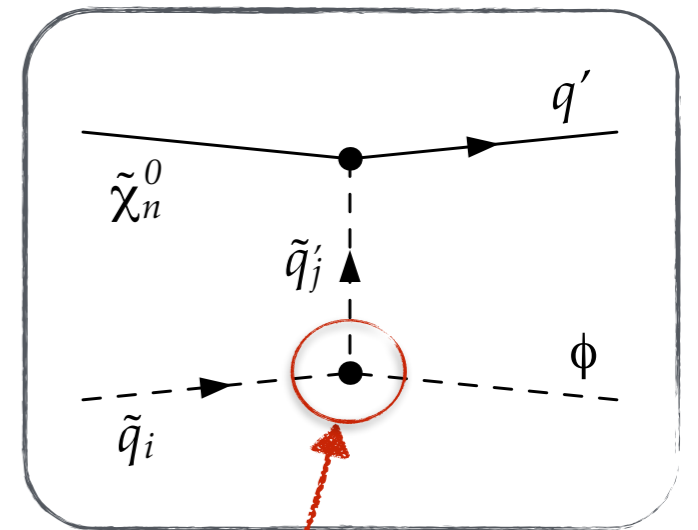
Radiative corrections to neutralino-stop co-annihilation into top+gluon have shown to be important, but only for a rather restricted setup ($\tilde{B}\tilde{t}_R \rightarrow tg$ and $\tilde{B}\tilde{t}_R \rightarrow bW^+$)

Other final states, in particular top+Higgs, can be equally important...

Neutralino-stop co-annihilation



$\tilde{\chi}\tilde{t} \rightarrow th^0$
 $\tilde{\chi}\tilde{t} \rightarrow tg$
 $\tilde{\chi}\tilde{t} \rightarrow tZ^0$



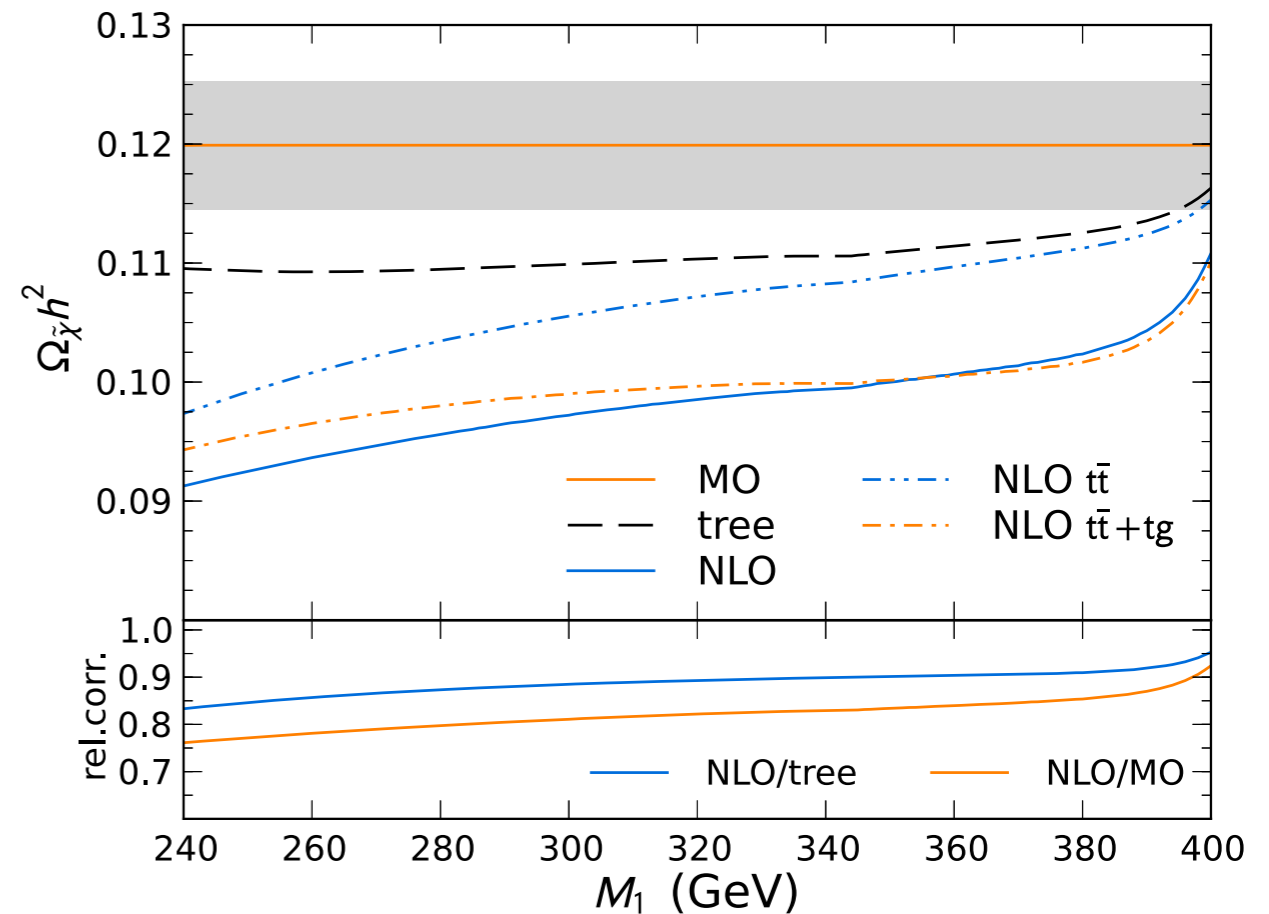
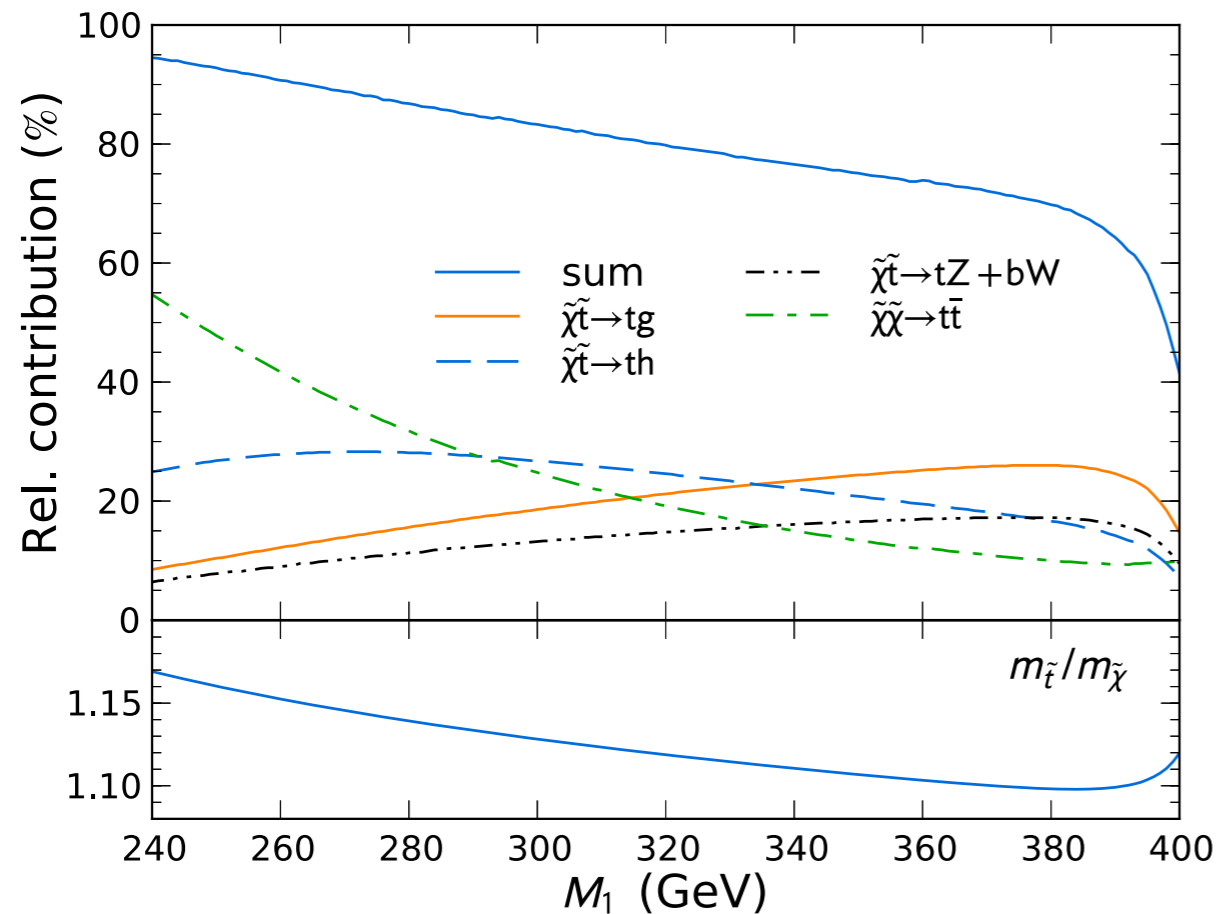
Contribution from $\tilde{\chi}_1\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow th^0$ via t-channel stop-exchange increased

The observed Higgs mass favours large mass splitting of the stops, typically achieved through large trilinear coupling A_t

$$m_{h^0} = m_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta + \frac{3g^2 m_t^4}{8\pi^2 m_W^2} \left[\log \frac{M^2}{m_t^2} + \frac{X_t^2}{M^2} \left(1 - \frac{X_t^2}{12M^2} \right) \right]$$

$$X_t = A_t - \mu \tan \beta \approx \sqrt{6}M = \sqrt{6} \sqrt{m_{\tilde{t}_1} m_{\tilde{t}_2}}$$

Neutralino-stop co-annihilation



Relative corrections of 40-50% observed for the co-annihilation cross-section, leading to an **important shift** (up to almost 25% — more than Planck uncertainty!) for the predicted **neutralino relic density**

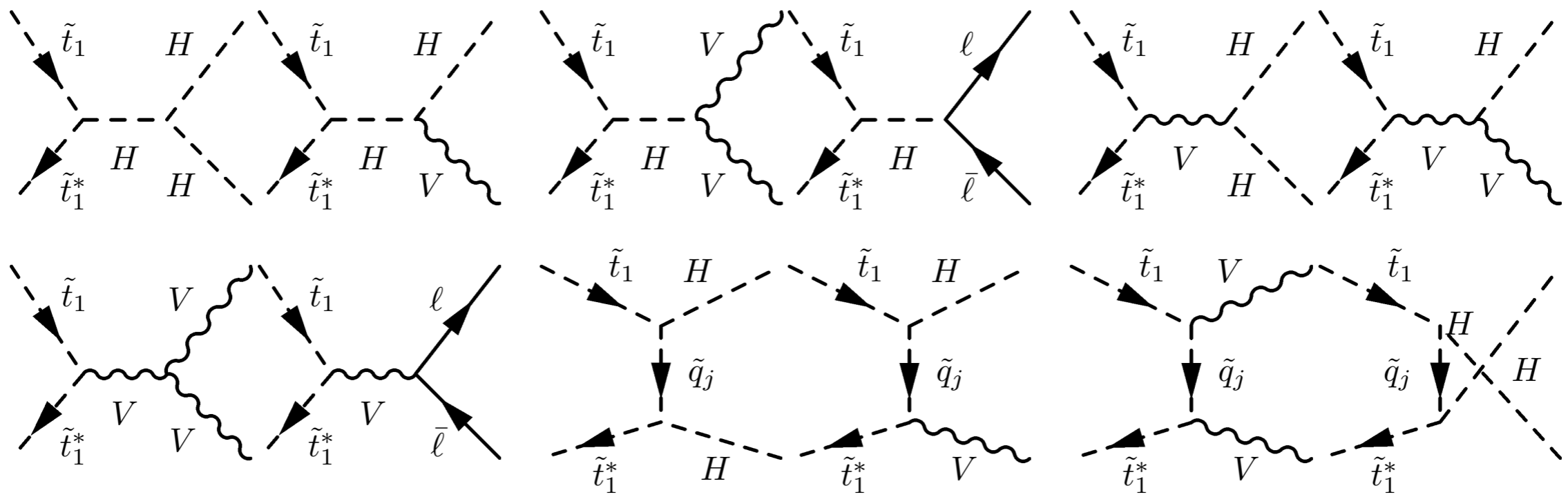
Co-annihilation into SM-like Higgs and gluon most important (other final states generally subdominant)


Stop pair annihilation

Numerically important or even dominant when stop mass very close to neutralino mass

$$\langle \sigma_{\text{ann}} v \rangle = \sum_{i,j} \sigma_{ij} v_{ij} \frac{n_i^{\text{eq}}}{n_\chi^{\text{eq}}} \frac{n_j^{\text{eq}}}{n_\chi^{\text{eq}}}$$

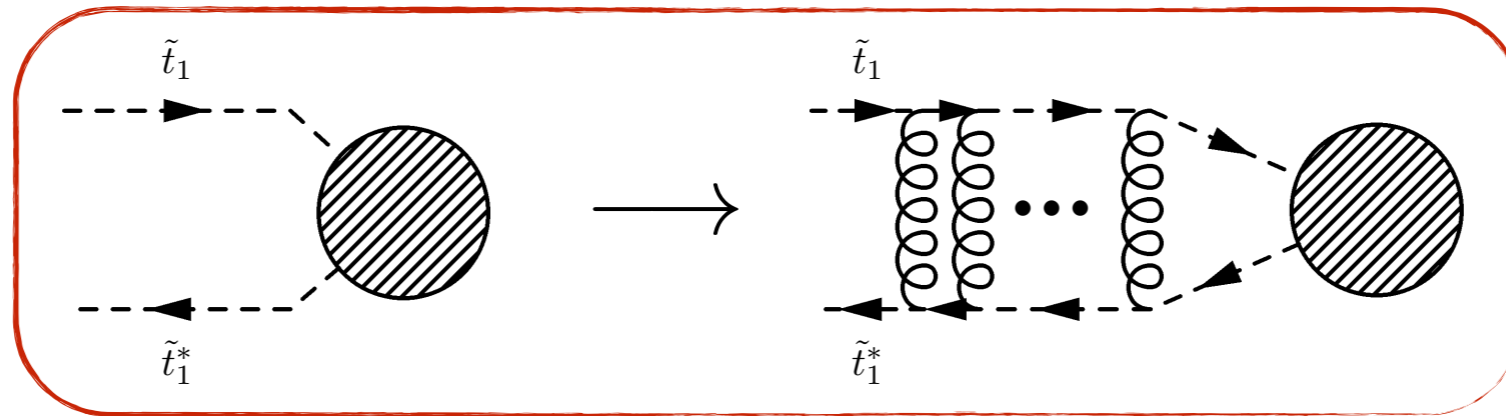
$$\frac{n_i^{\text{eq}}}{n_\chi^{\text{eq}}} \sim \exp \left\{ -\frac{m_i - m_\chi}{T} \right\}$$



Stop pair annihilation into **electroweak final states** included in **DM@NL** 
 — **coloured final states** to be implemented...

Stop pair annihilation — Coulomb corrections

Exchange of multiple gluons in the initial state (in addition to one-loop diagrams)
 — **resummation to all orders using non-relativistic QCD**



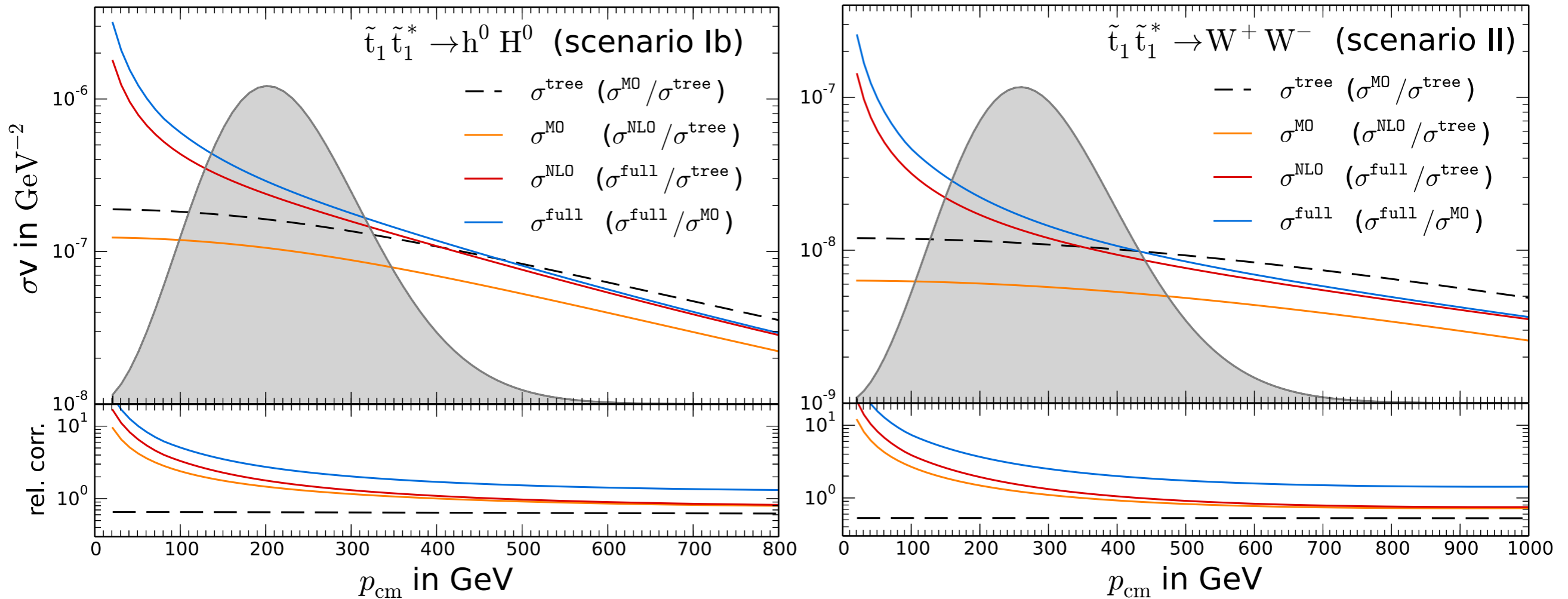
$$\sigma^{\text{Coul}} = \frac{4\pi}{vm_{\tilde{t}}^2} \Im \left\{ G^{[1]}(\mathbf{r} = 0; \sqrt{s} + i\Gamma_{\tilde{t}}) \right\} \sigma^{\text{LO}}$$

$$\left[H^{[1]} - (\sqrt{s} + i\Gamma_{\tilde{t}}) \right] G^{[1]} = \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{r})$$

$$G^{[1]}(\mathbf{r} = 0; \sqrt{s} + i\Gamma_{\tilde{t}}) = \frac{C^{[1]} \alpha_s(\mu_G) m_{\tilde{t}}^2}{4\pi} \left[g_{\text{LO}} + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_G)}{4\pi} g_{\text{NLO}} + \dots \right]$$

Avoid double counting of NLO corrections contained in Green's function and one-loop result!

Stop pair annihilation — electroweak final states



Coulomb corrections **dominant for small values of p_{cm}** (Coulomb singularity), while fixed-order corrections dominant for high-momentum region

Resulting relic density receives corrections of up to 40% (more important than Planck uncertainty!)

Scale dependence of neutralino (co)annihilation

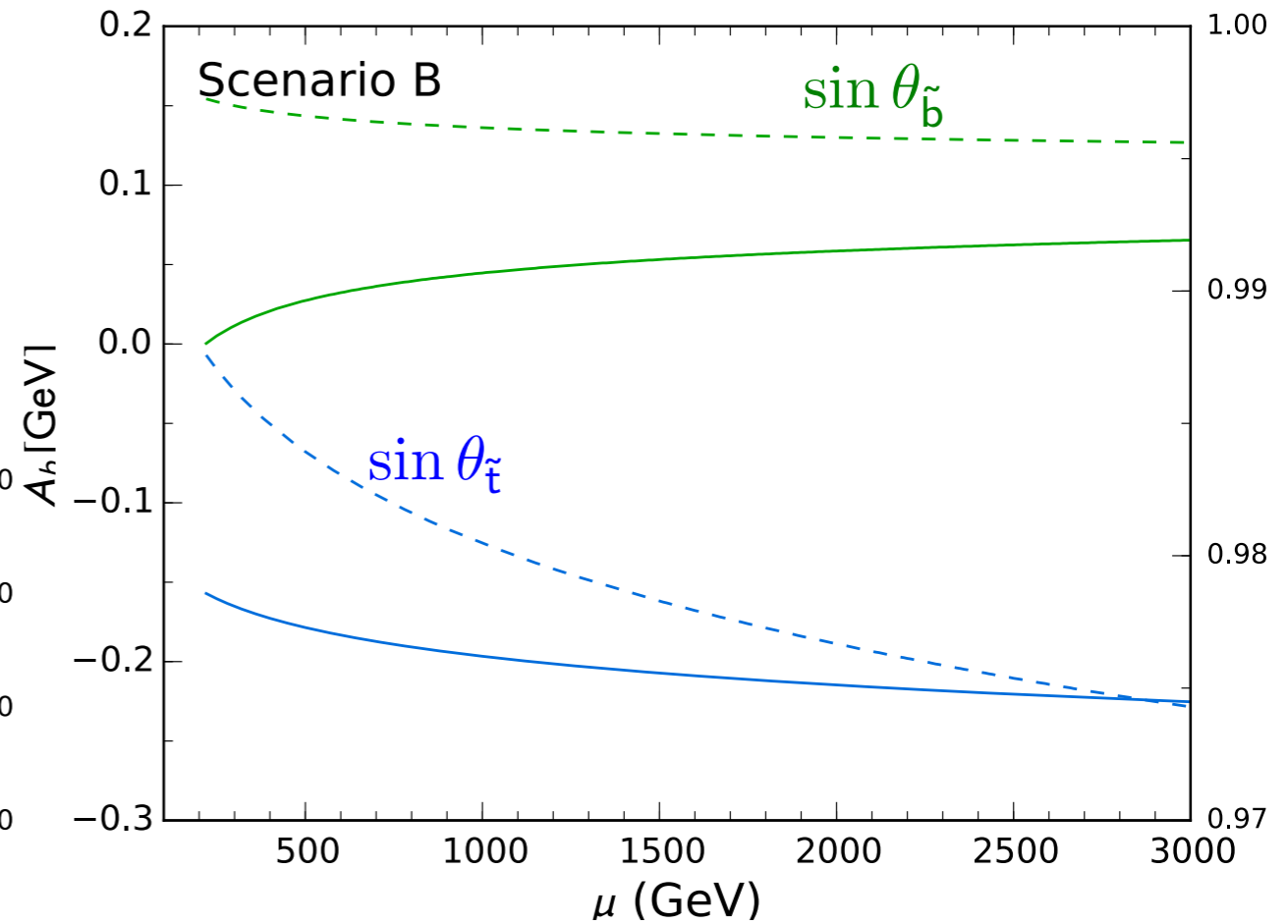
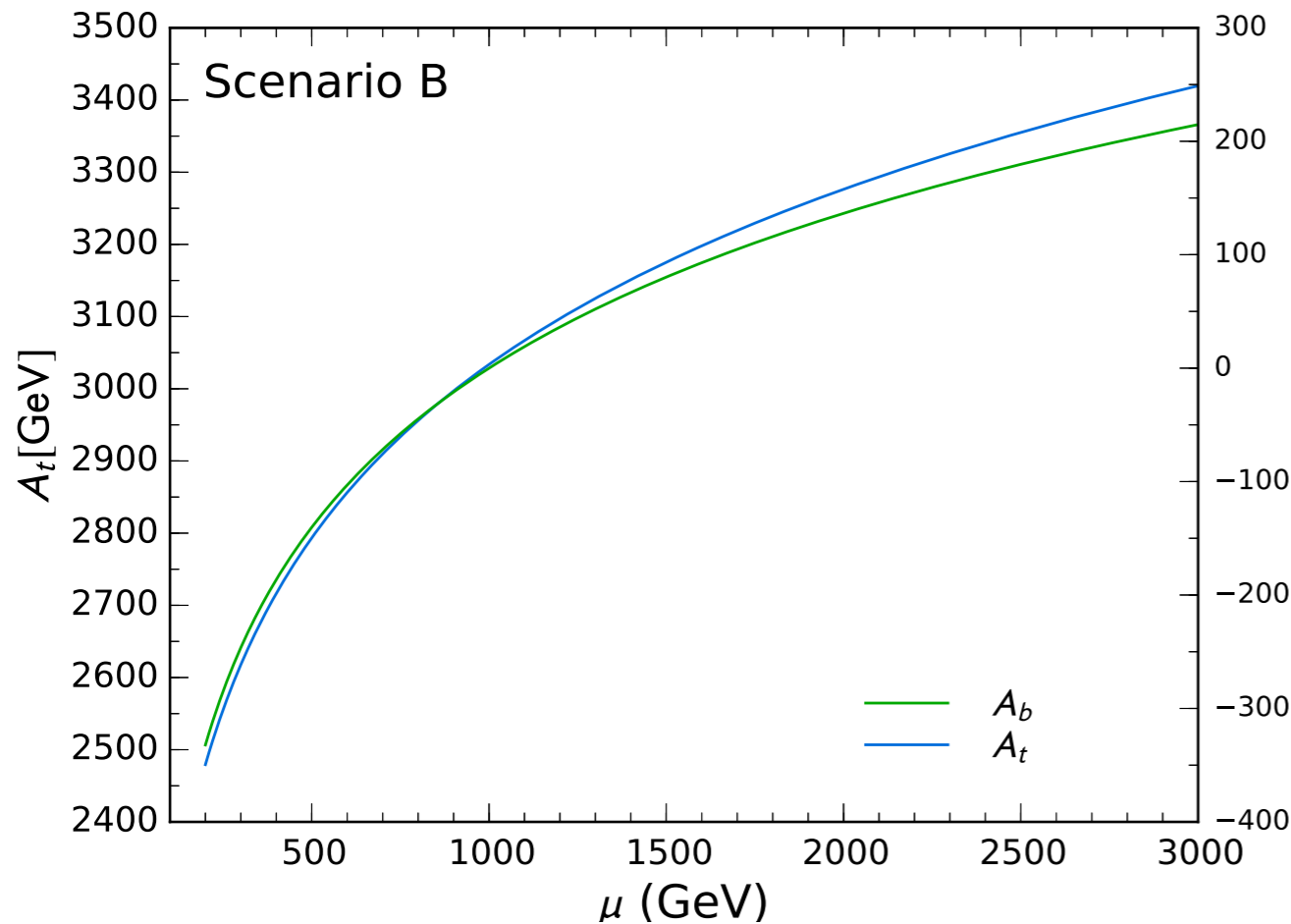
Loop calculation introduces a dependence on an unphysical parameter: **renormalization scale**

— **Evaluation of uncertainty by varying renormalization scale**

$$\mu_R = 500 \dots 2000 \text{ GeV}$$

$$A_t, A_b, \theta_{\tilde{t}}, \theta_{\tilde{b}}, \alpha_s, m_b$$

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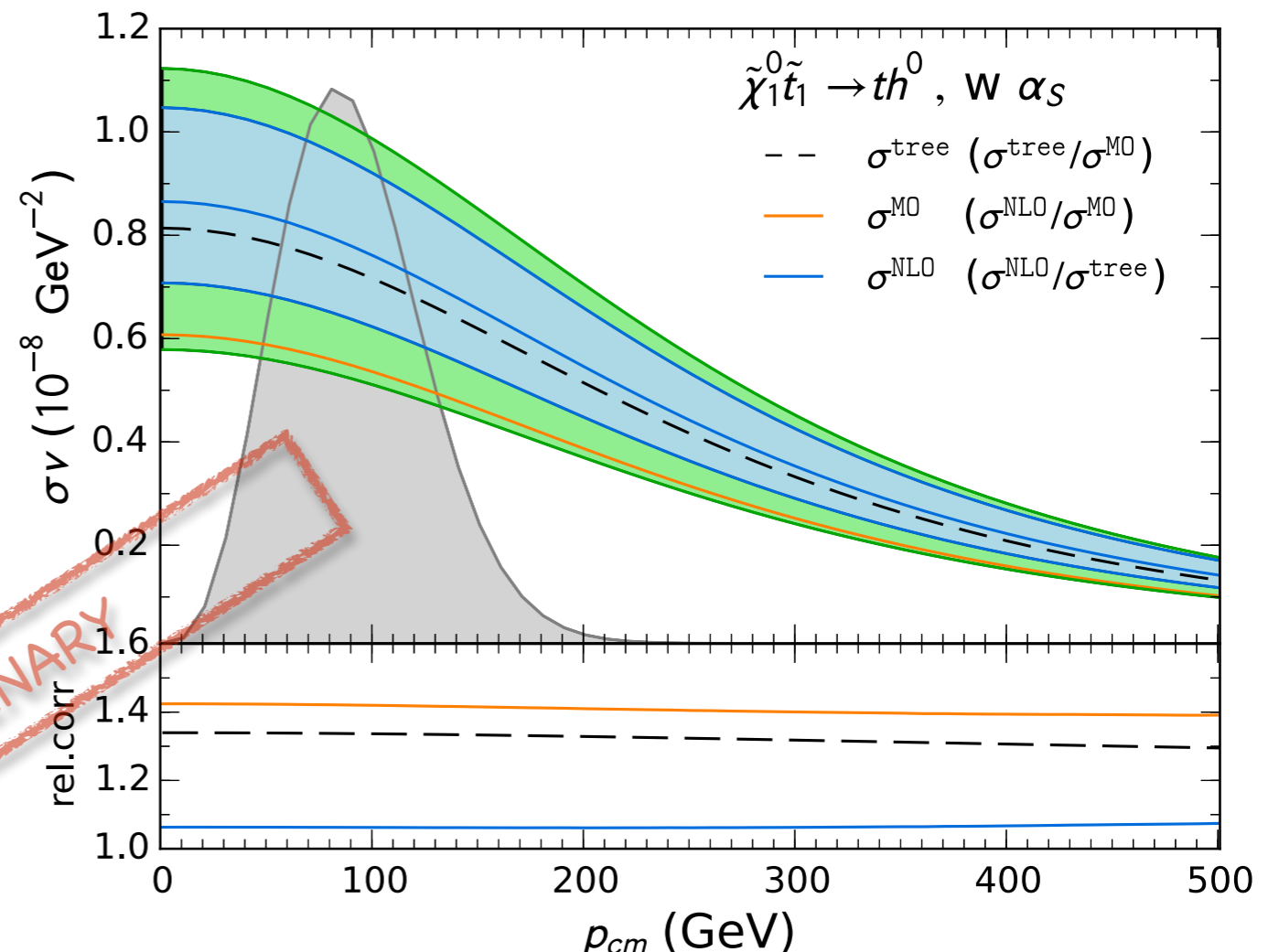
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Scale uncertainty reduced at the one-loop level w.r.t. to tree-level result (as expected)

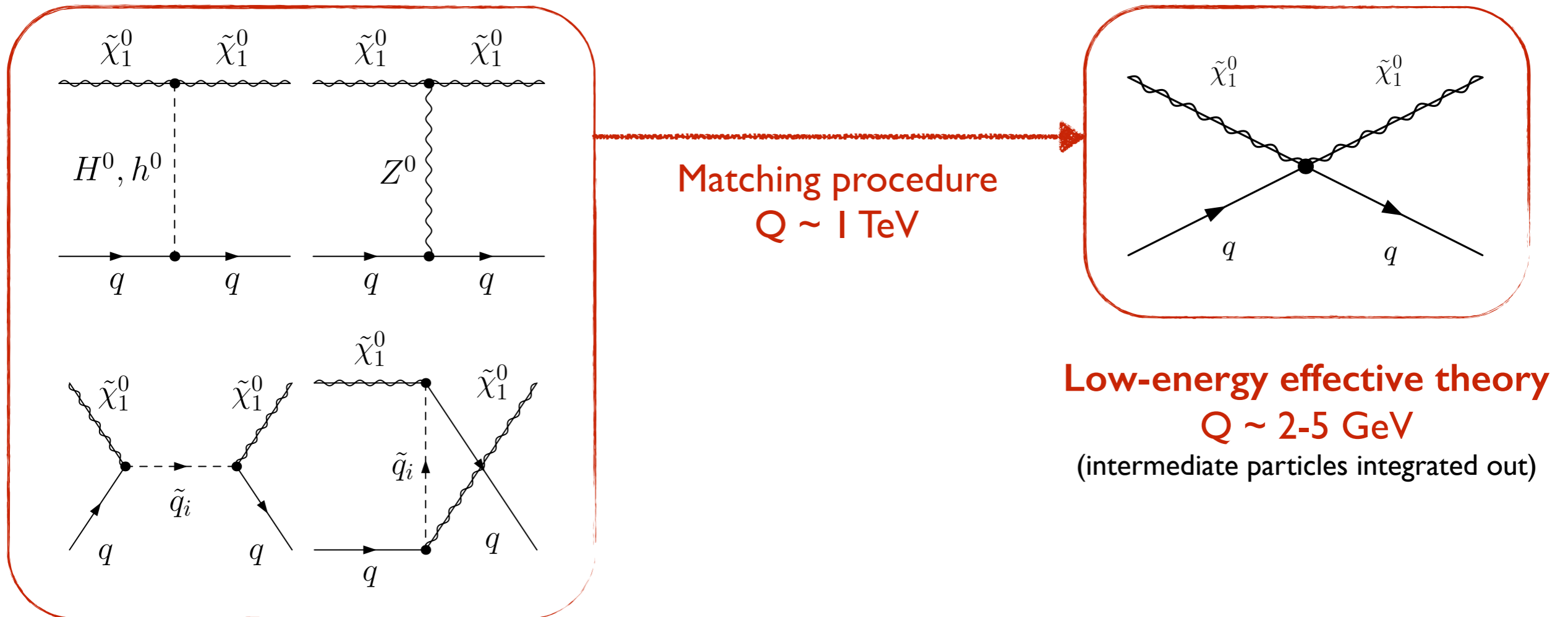
- main effect from **mixing angle** and **trilinear coupling**
- dependence of α_s subdominant



PRELIMINARY

Direct dark matter detection

Same topologies as neutralino pair annihilation into quarks (*s-t* crossing)



Calculation carried out at very low energy: $p_{\text{cm}} \sim 0$

- standard **reduction of loop tensor integrals** not applicable
- need to implement specific reduction procedure for threshold...
(also relevant for application to **indirect detection**...)

Electroweak corrections to dark matter annihilation

Smaller coupling constant compensated by large number of diagrams

— **need for automatisaton:** SloopS project

		Tree	$A_{\tau\tau}$	$\overline{\text{DR}}$	MH
$\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow W^+ W^-$ [44%]	a	+0.81	+7.6%	+12.16%	+29.6%
	b	+1.219	+0.78%	+7.1%	+24.2%
$\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^+ \rightarrow u \bar{d}$ [8%]	a	+15.61	+7.2%	+9.8%	+18.8%
	b	-5.81	+5.7%	+8.3%	+17.4%
$\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^+ \rightarrow Z^0 W^+$ [5%]	a	+8.26	+2.9%	+4.4%	+9.7%
	b	+1.42	-7.3%	-3.3%	+10.7%
$\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow W^+ W^-$ [5%]	a	+17.81	+9.0%	+11.1%	+18.2%
	b	+11.86	+4.8%	+7.3%	+16.1%
$\Omega_\chi h^2$		0.108	0.105	0.102	0.097
$\frac{\delta\Omega_\chi h^2}{\Omega_\chi h^2}$			-2.8%	-5.6%	-10.2%

Impact on cross-section and relic density equally important as for QCD corrections

Renormalisation more involved than for QCD — **important scheme dependence...**

Sommerfeld enhancement numerically not relevant for neutralino masses below 1 TeV...

Summary

Recent experimental improvements (WMAP, Planck...) require more precise predictions of the dark matter relic density on the theory side...

DM@NL  — calculation of neutralino (co)annihilation including QCD corrections

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

$$\tilde{\chi}\tilde{q} \rightarrow q'H/q'V$$

$$\tilde{q}\tilde{q}^* \rightarrow HH/HV/VV$$

numerically implemented
results published

$$\tilde{\chi}\tilde{\chi}' \rightarrow gg/\gamma\gamma$$

$$\tilde{q}\tilde{q}^* \rightarrow q\bar{q}'$$

$$\tilde{q}\tilde{q} \rightarrow qq$$

$$\tilde{\tau}\tilde{\tau}^* \rightarrow qq'$$

work in progress...

Impact of corrections on the relic density more important than current exp. uncertainty

Application to direct / indirect detection...?

Generalisation to other New Physics models...?

Publish the package...!

<http://dmnlo.hepforge.org>

