

Theory Perspectives for the LHC

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1. LHC perspectives and why theorists are important
2. Higgs at the LHC
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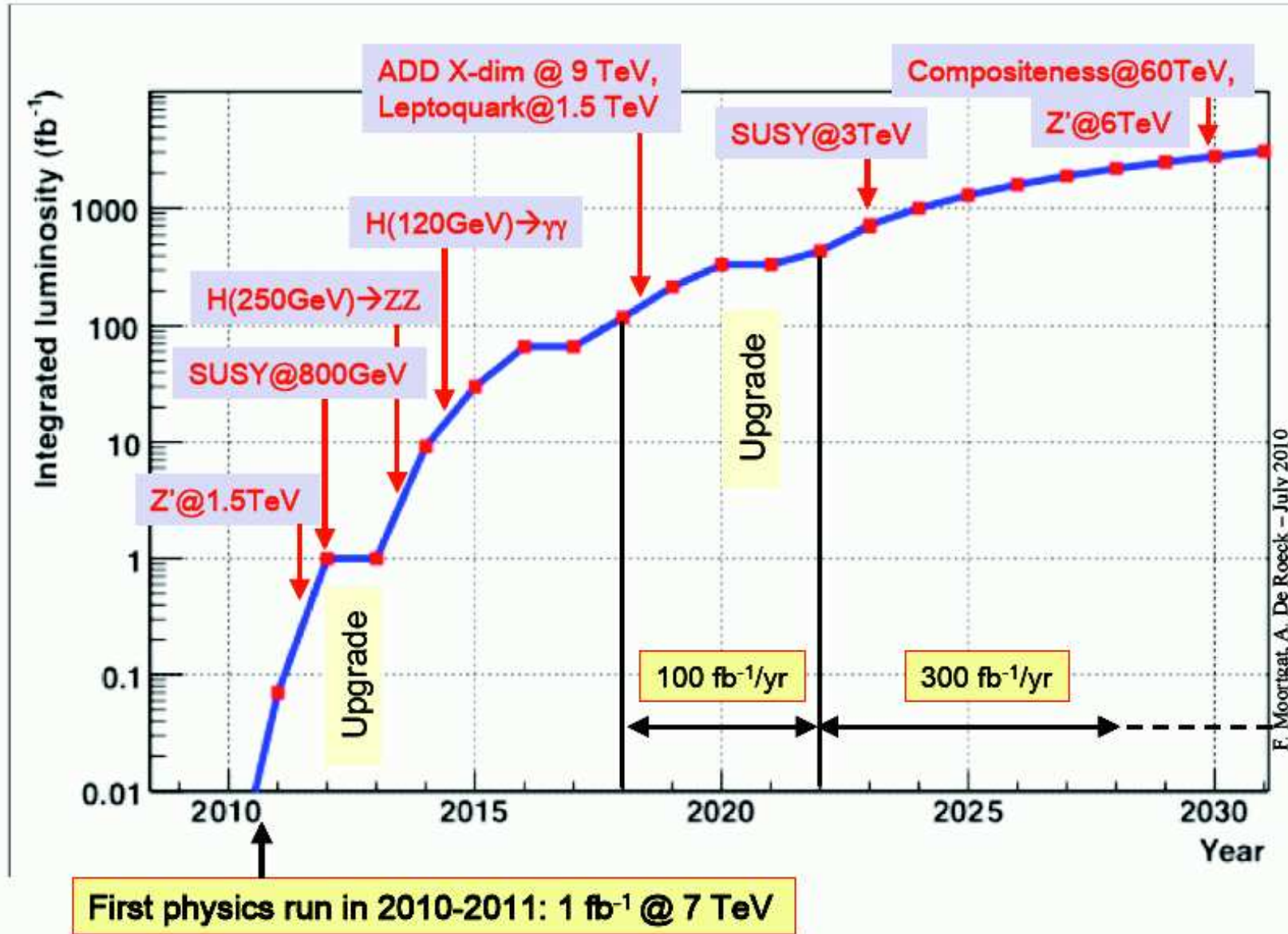
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WE LIVE IN AN EXCITING TIME!!!



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Theoretical calculations should be viewed as
an essential part of all (current and future)
High Energy Physics programs

To the Young Physicists:

Don't worry: there is a lot of important work to do!

For experimentalists:

- analysis of all the new data

For theorists:

- many calculations in the known models are missing to match the LHC precision
- new data often requires new models (or extensions)

For experimentalists \oplus theorists:

imho: collaboration between theory and experiment is crucial

Theory \leftrightarrow tools \leftrightarrow experimental analyses

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We should try to profit from the proximity (within Spain?)

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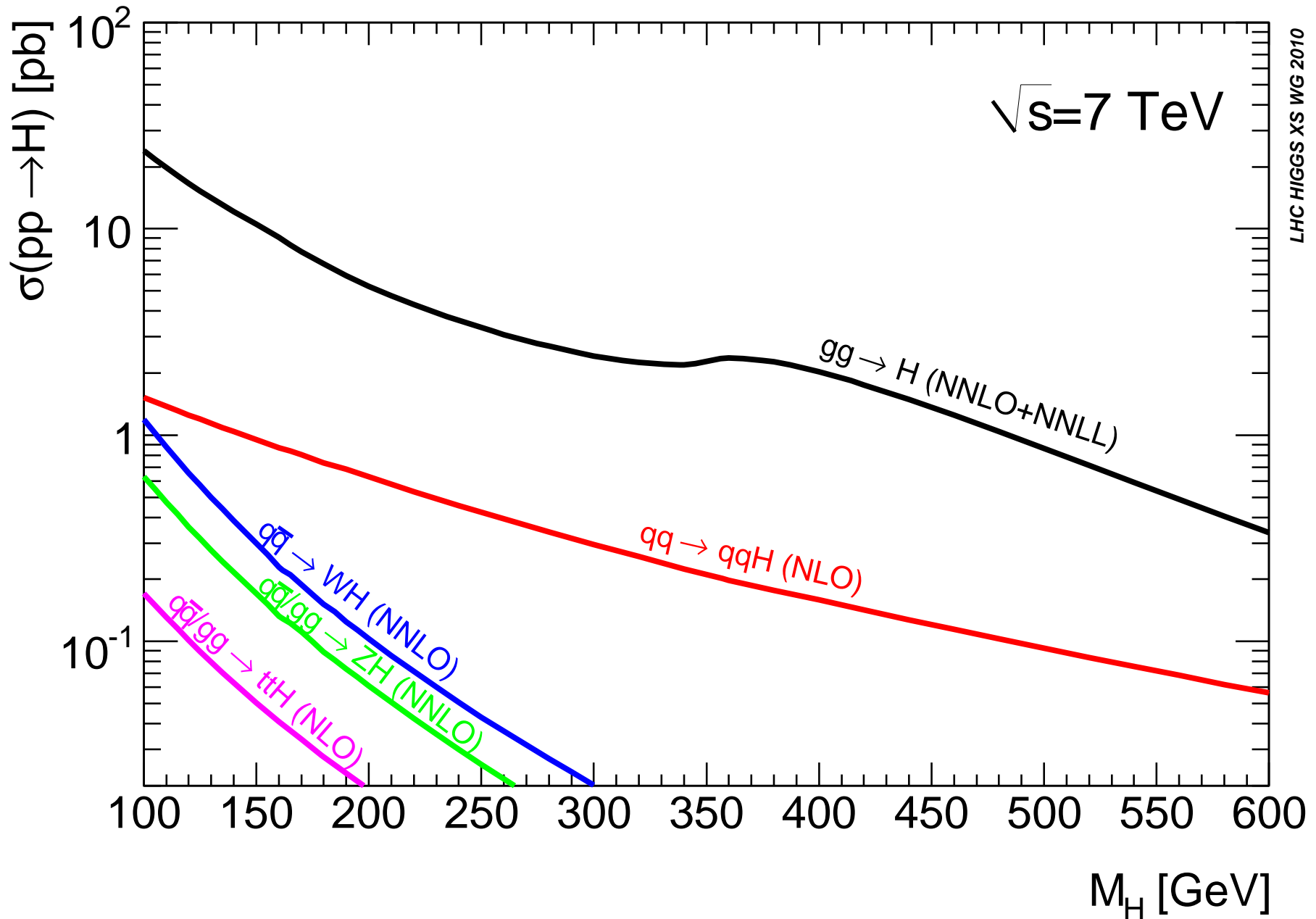
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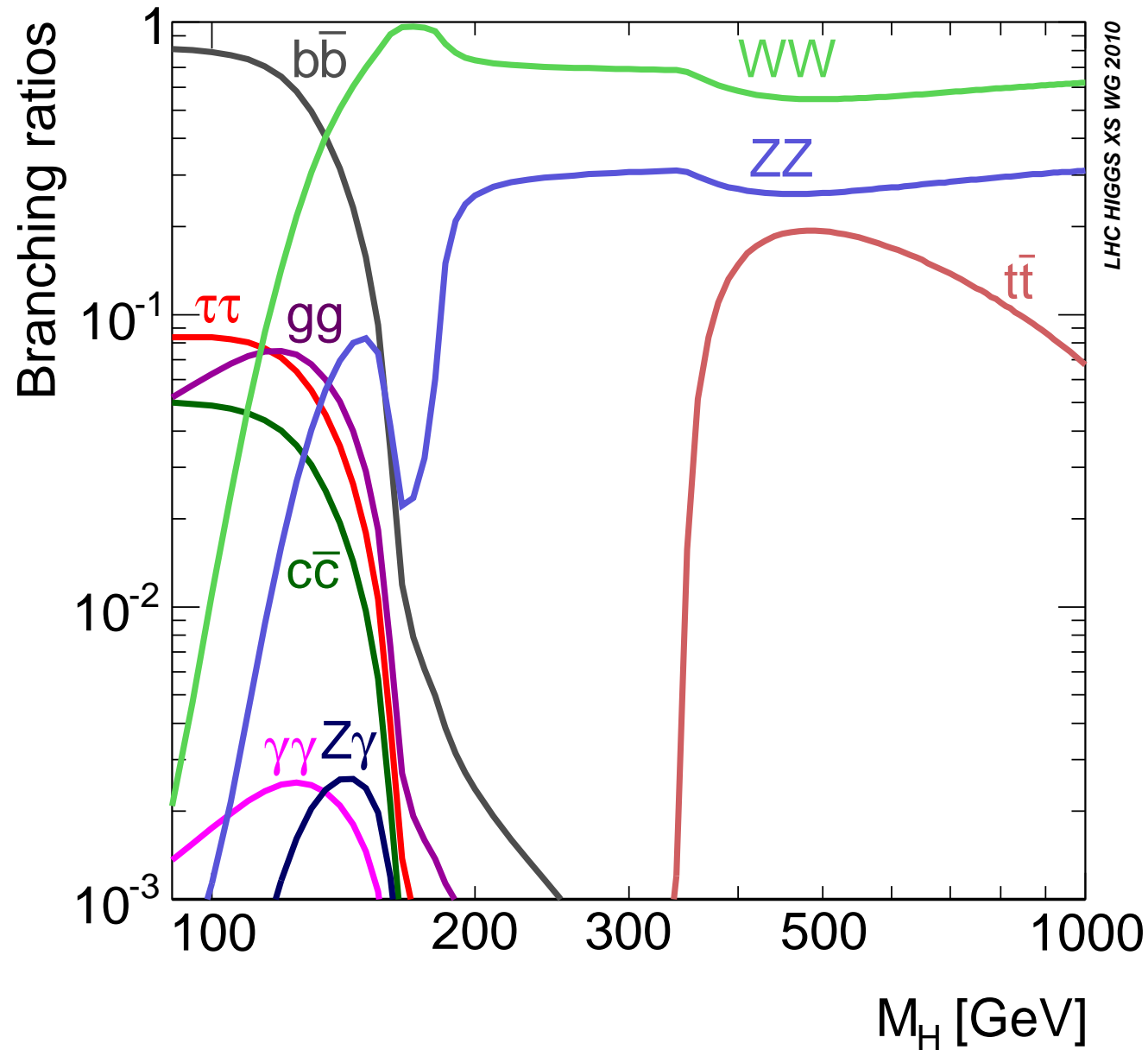
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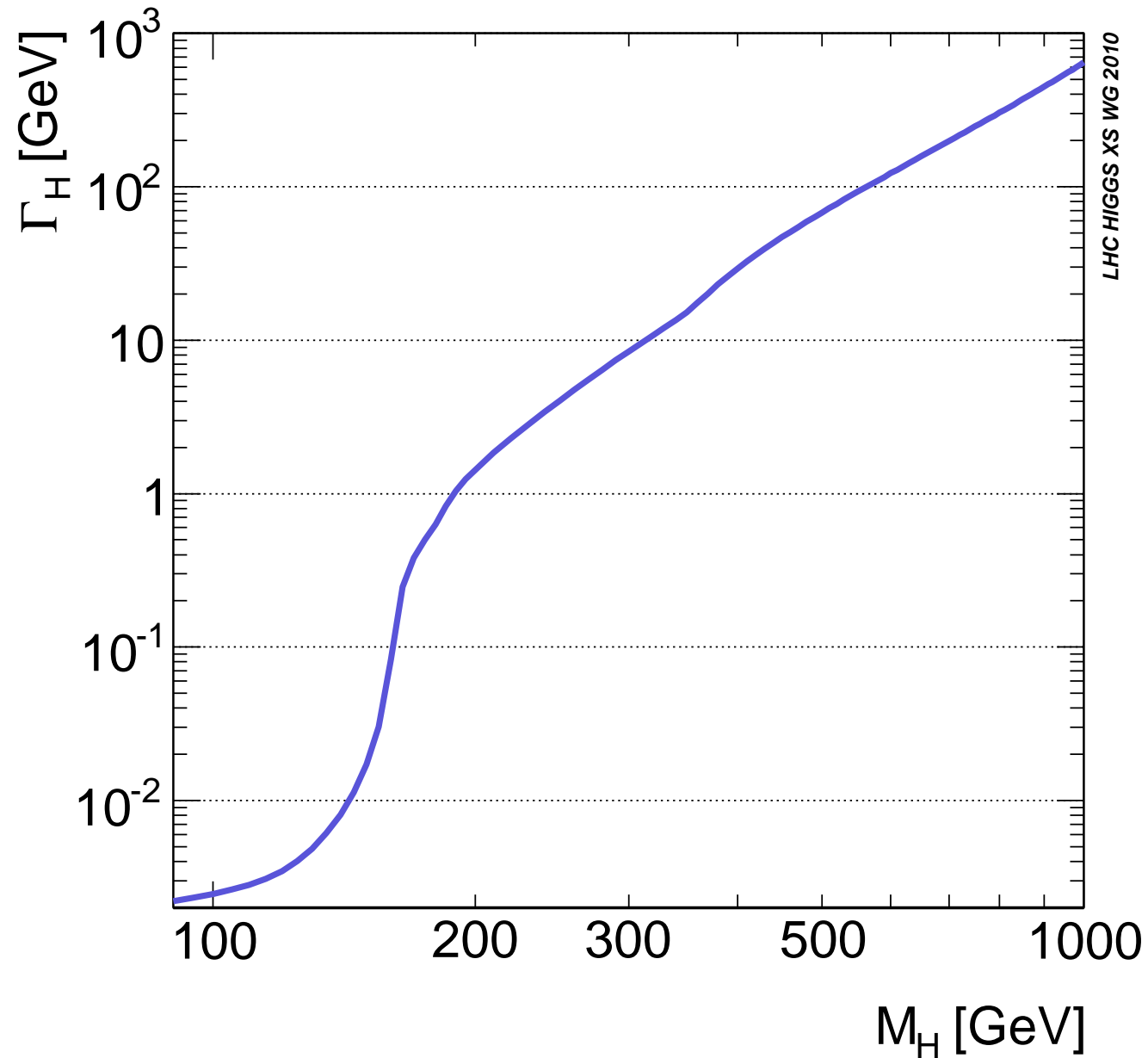
T = Tevatron, L = LHC, I = ILC

We need the **ILC** to find the Higgs
and to establish the Higgs mechanism!

But the **LHC** can do a crucial part already!







Successful example: LHC Higgs Cross Section Working Group

<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/CrossSections>

- Mixed group of ATLAS/CMS experimentalists and theorists (crucial!)
- Subgroups for each LHC Higgs production cross section or BRs
- Goal: obtain best theory predictions to facilitate
 - “best” Higgs boson search
 - “best” combination of ATLAS and CMS
 - “best” extraction of parameters
- Much to do for theorists:
 - improve cross section/BR calculation
 - calculation of distributions
 - extract/fit Higgs couplings
 - ...
- For CPAN: are we happy with the spanish contribution?

Much work to do in (other) models for Higgs bosons:

1. Two Higgs Doublet Model (THDM)
→ some calculations available
2. Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model (MSSM)
→ quite thoroughly studied, several code(s) exist
3. MSSM with extra singlet (NMSSM)
→ some calculations available
4. MSSM with more extra singlets
→ hardly anything done
5. SM/MSSM with Higgs triplets
→ hardly anything done
6. ...

⇒ Which model is realized in nature?

⇒ Where are more theory calculations needed?

3. Supersymmetry at the LHC

The Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model (MSSM)

Superpartners for Standard Model particles

$$\begin{array}{llll} [u, d, c, s, t, b]_{L,R} & [e, \mu, \tau]_{L,R} & [\nu_{e,\mu,\tau}]_L & \text{Spin } \frac{1}{2} \\ [\tilde{u}, \tilde{d}, \tilde{c}, \tilde{s}, \tilde{t}, \tilde{b}]_{L,R} & [\tilde{e}, \tilde{\mu}, \tilde{\tau}]_{L,R} & [\tilde{\nu}_{e,\mu,\tau}]_L & \text{Spin } 0 \\ g & \underbrace{W^\pm, H^\pm}_{\text{Spin } 1} & \underbrace{\gamma, Z, H_1^0, H_2^0}_{\text{Spin } 0} & \text{Spin } 1 / \text{Spin } 0 \\ \tilde{g} & \tilde{\chi}_{1,2}^\pm & \tilde{\chi}_{1,2,3,4}^0 & \text{Spin } \frac{1}{2} \end{array}$$

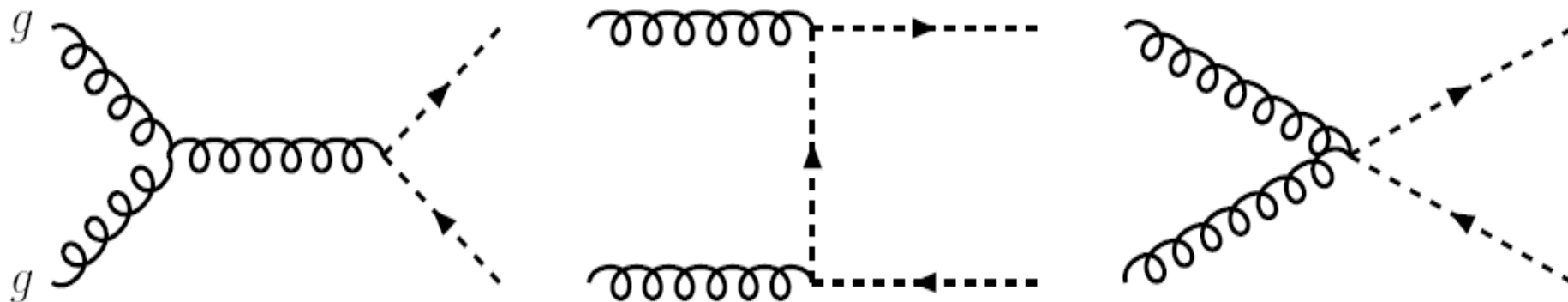
Enlarged Higgs sector: Two Higgs doublets

Problem in the MSSM: many scales

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SUSY particle production at the LHC:

⇒ colored (s)particles are copiously produced



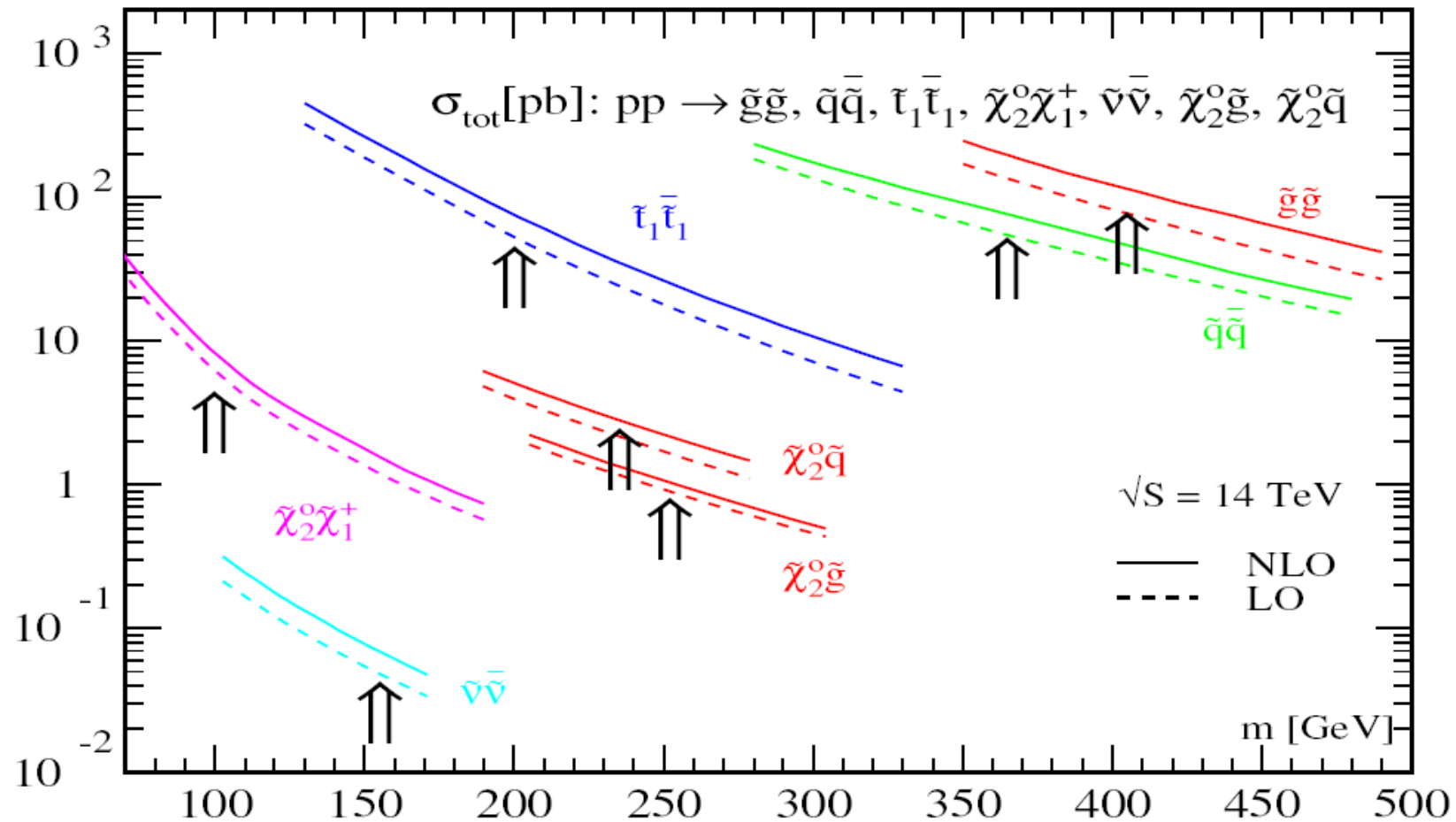
⇒ production of gluinos, squarks, . . .

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Example for SUSY production:

[*Prospino collaboration*]



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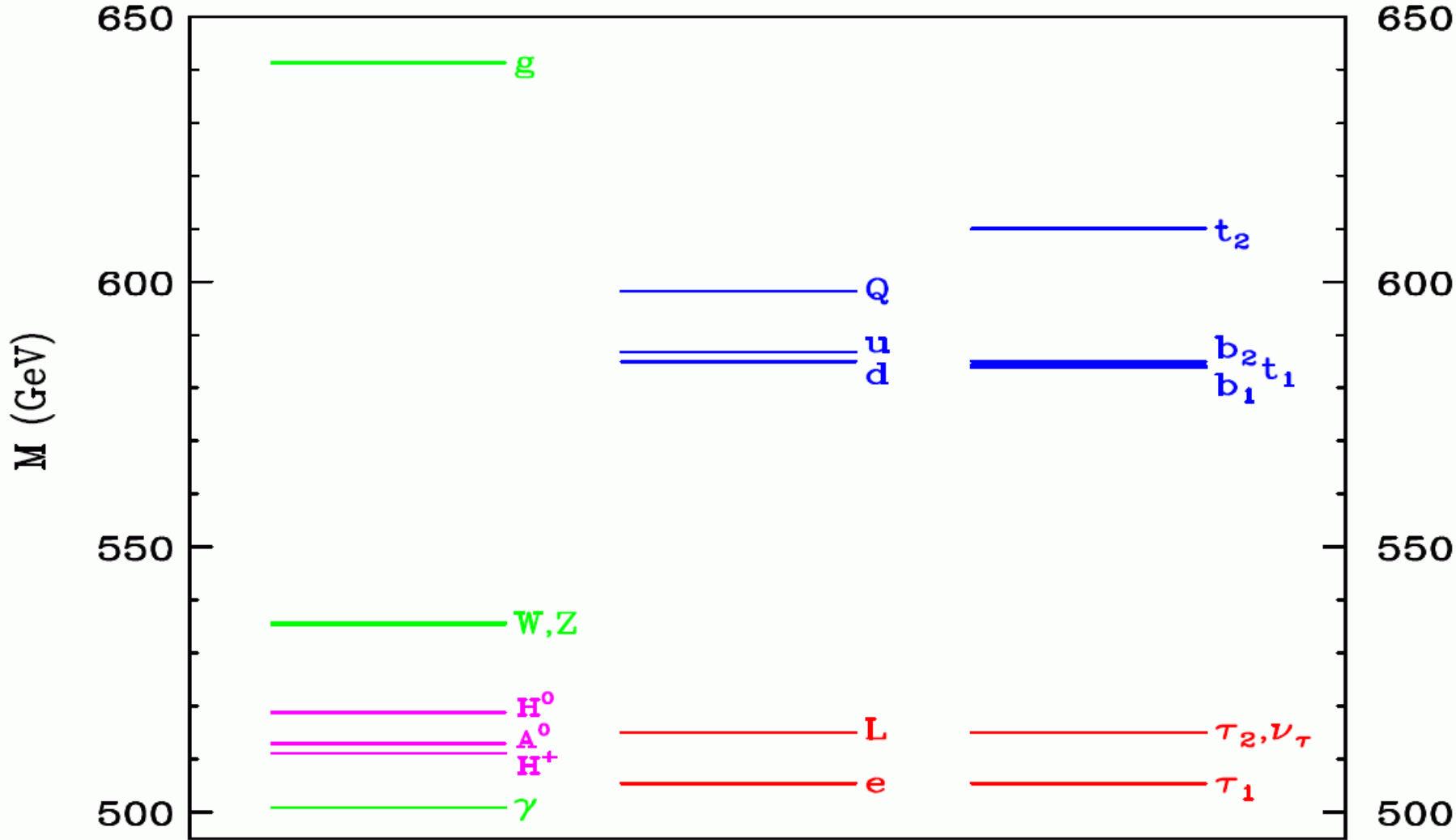
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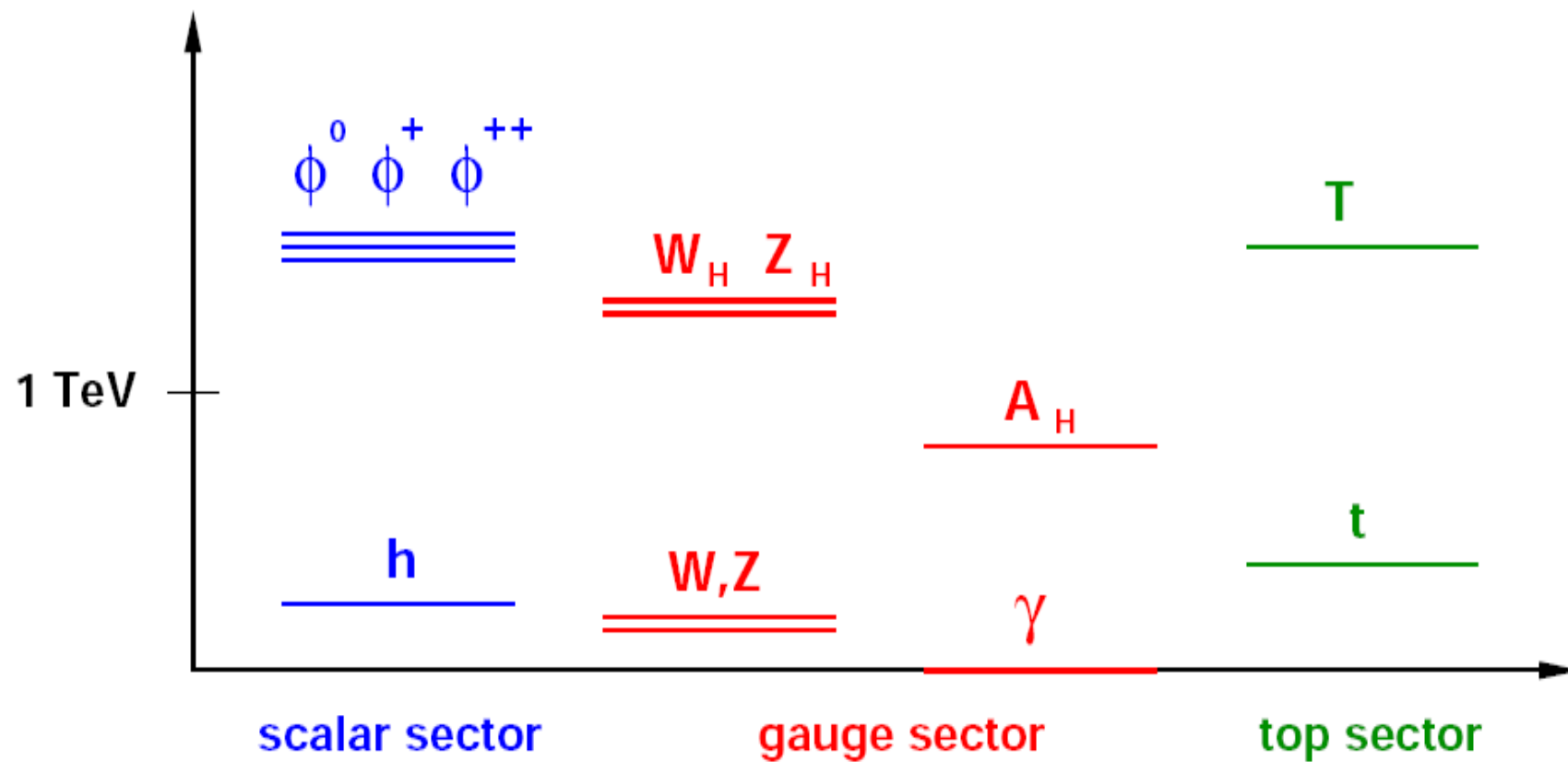
⇒ connection to Dark Matter:

measurement of lightest neutralino properties!

Another model beyond the SM: Extra dimensions

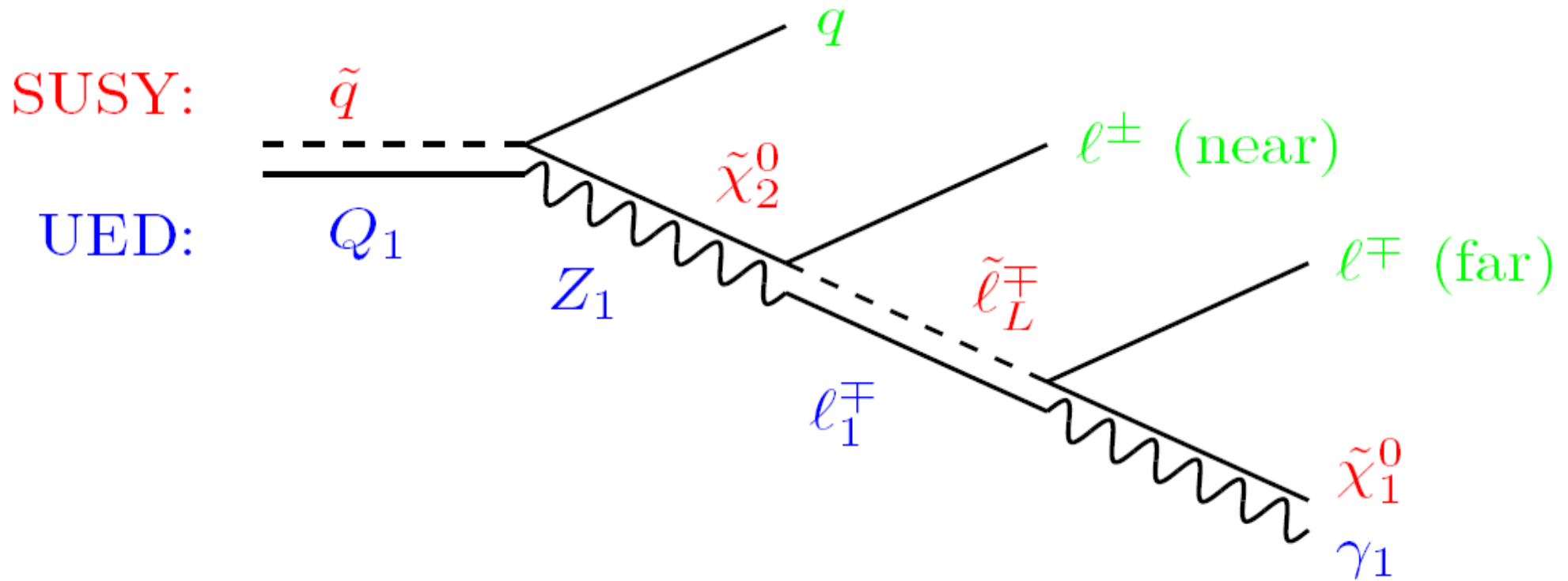


Another model beyond the SM: Little Higgs



Comparison of SUSY with e.g. Extra Dimensions:

⇒ cascades may look very similar:



⇒ In order to establish SUSY experimentally:

Need to demonstrate that:

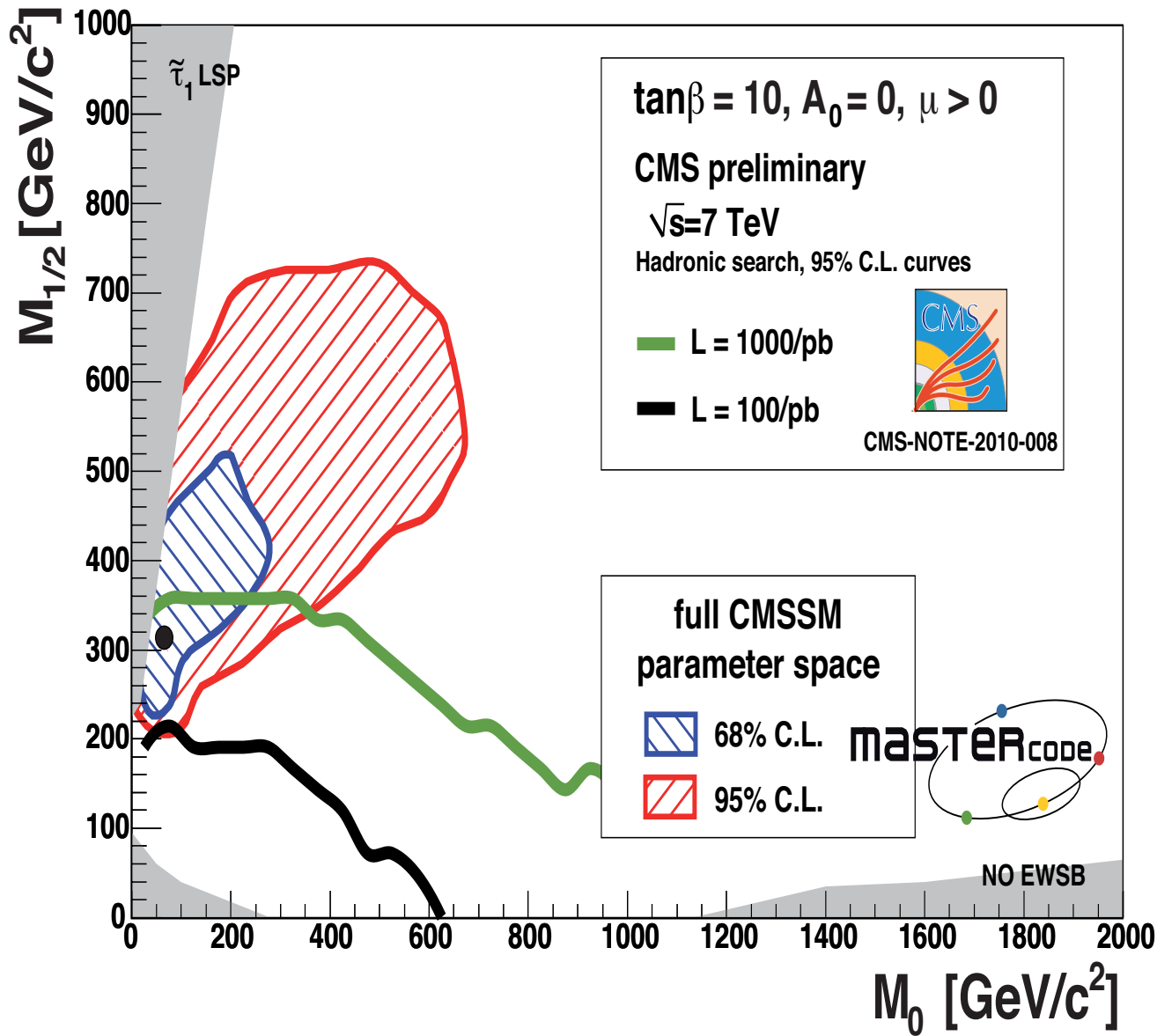
- every particle has superpartner
- their spins differ by $1/2$
- their gauge quantum numbers are the same
- their couplings are identical
- mass relations hold

⇒ Precise measurements of masses, branching ratios, cross sections, angular distributions, ... mandatory for

- establishing SUSY experimentally
- disentangling patterns of SUSY breaking

⇒ all at the loop level
⇒ new ideas needed } ⇒ more theory input needed!

Next-to-final goal: reconstruct the SUSY Lagrangian



So far:

without LHC data

⇒ only simplified models possible

⇒ huge effort from theory ⊕ experiment

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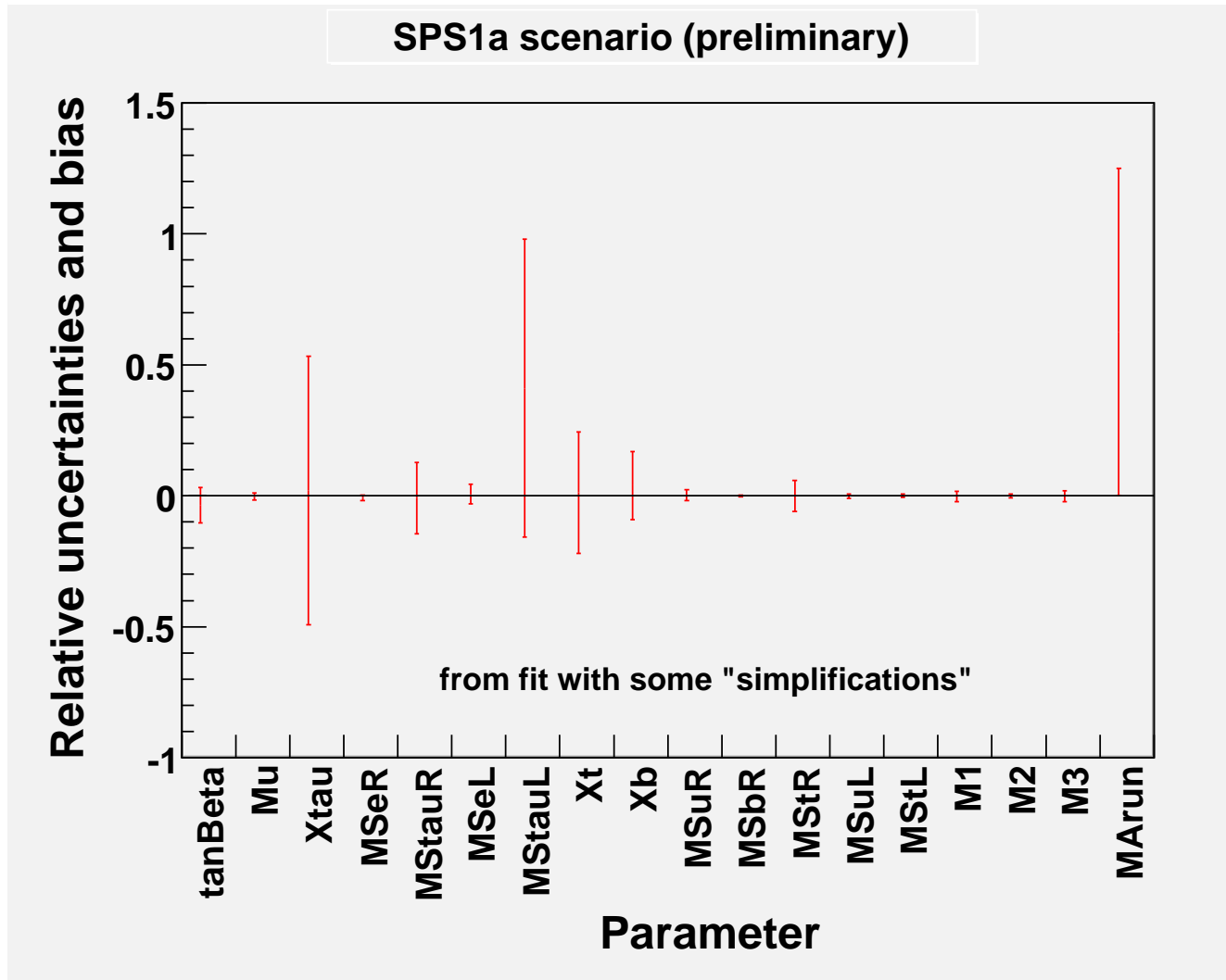
Near future:

include LHC data!

⇒ possibly 2011 already!

Next-to-final goal: reconstruct the SUSY Lagrangian with LHC data

⇒ use all available information: masses, BRs , ...



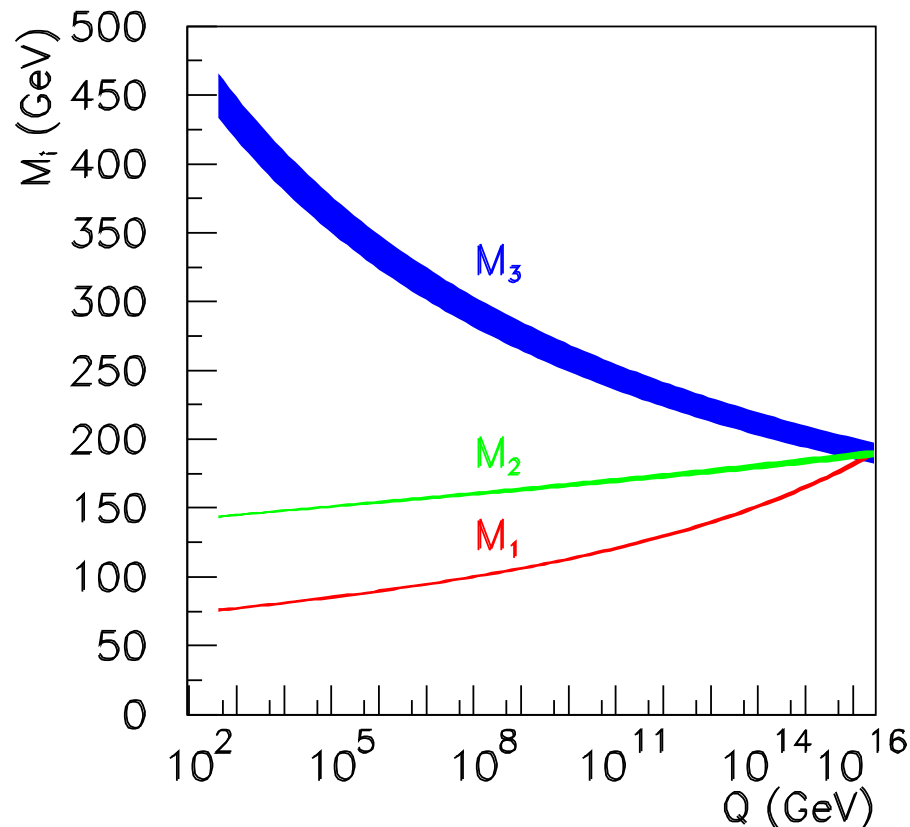
[P. Bechtle, K. Desch, M. Uhlenbrock, P. Wienemann '08]

Final goal: reconstruct soft SUSY-breaking mechanism

⇔ GUT scale physics

⇒ use all parameters at low energies ⇒ scale up to the GUT scale

⇒ What unifies where? ⇒ soft SUSY-breaking mechanism



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- h.-o. corrections for masses
- h.-o. corrections for BRs, ...
- h.-o. corrections for RGEs
- new GUT models?

DATA RULES!

[G. Blair, W. Porod, P. Zerwas '01]

More joint theory \oplus experiment efforts:

1. Allianz SUSY-Fitter WG

- started by the “Terascale Alliance” (Germany)
- specific for SUSY
- goal: facilitate SUSY fits incl. LHC data
- “the effort” to measure SUSY parameters at the LHC

2. LHC Physics Center at CERN (LPCC)

- organized by CERN (head: Mangano)
- interpretation of LHC data
- in principle: all models covered
- leading effort to interpret LHC data (beyond exp. analyses)

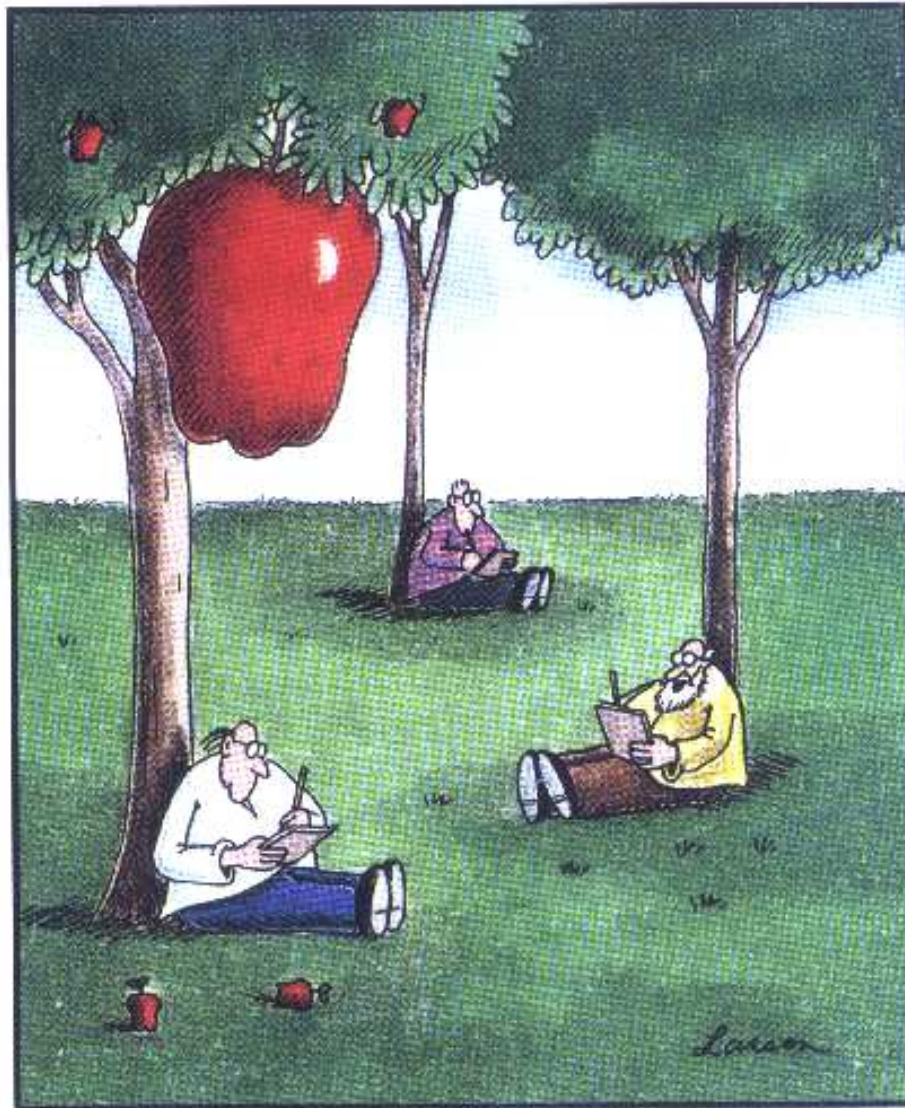
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4. Conclusions

- The LHC is re-discovering the SM
Important improvements for the W boson, top quark, B physics ...
⇒ sensitive **test** of the **SM**
- The **Higgs mechanism** continues to be our best bet for EWSB
- **Low-energy Supersymmetry** continues to be our best bet for physics beyond the Standard Model
- Within the next years **the LHC will bring a decisive test** of our ideas about **SM extensions** and **the Higgs**
- All this requires extensive theory input!
Measured data is only meaningful if it is matched with **theoretical calculations** (masses, couplings, cross sections, BRs etc.) at the same level of accuracy

⇒ **Very exciting prospects for the coming years!**

Some more ancient theory perspectives:



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Back-up

Interested in Theory Predictions?

Interested in

- theory predictions for the Tevatron?
- theory predictions for the LHC?
- theory predictions for the ILC?
- phenomenology analyses in Higgs/SUSY?

⇒ You can do your PhD at IFCA (Santander, Spain)

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Santander, Spain: (15 minutes by foot from the institute :-)



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