

Beyond the Standard Model: Supersymmetry

- **Outline**

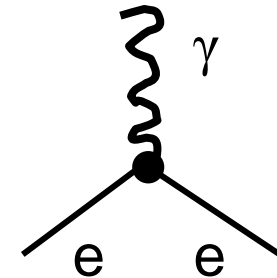
- **Why** the **Standard Model** is probably not the final word
- **One way it might be fixed up:**
 - **Supersymmetry**
 - What it is
 - What it predicts
- How can we **test** it?

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Preface

- **Standard Model doing very well**
 - Measurements in **agreement** with predictions
 - Some very exact: electron dipole moment to **12 significant figures**
- However SM does **not** include:
 - **Dark matter**
 - **Weakly interacting massive particles?**
 - **Gravity**
 - **Not in SM at all**
 - **Grand Unification**
 - **Colour & Electroweak forces parts of one “Grand Unified” group?**
 - **Has a problem with Higgs boson mass** ←



All QED contributions to dipole moment with \leq **four** loops calculated

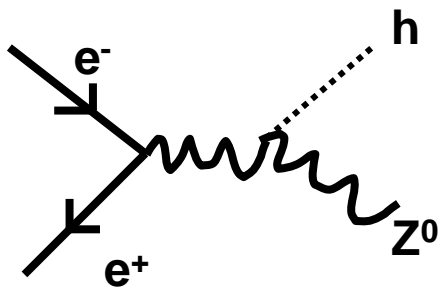
Should expect to find new phenomena at high energy

Higgs boson mass

- Standard Model Higgs boson mass:

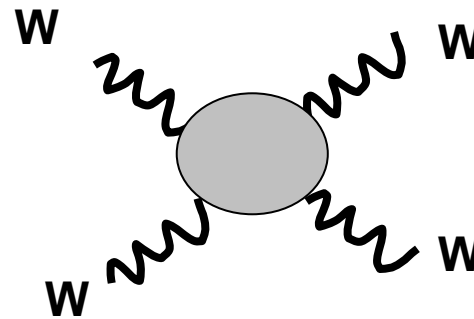
$$114 \text{ GeV} < m_H \lesssim 1 \text{ TeV}$$

Direct searches at "LEP"
 e^+e^- collider



Experimental search

WW boson scattering partial
wave amplitudes > 1

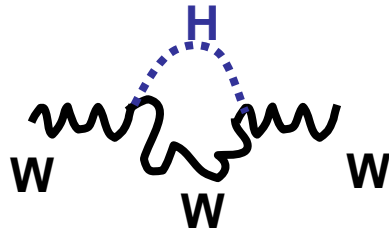


"Probabilities > 1 "

(compare Fermi model of weak interaction)

More on m_H ...

Measured W mass depends on m_H



W emits & absorbs virtual **Higgs boson**

→ changes **propagator**

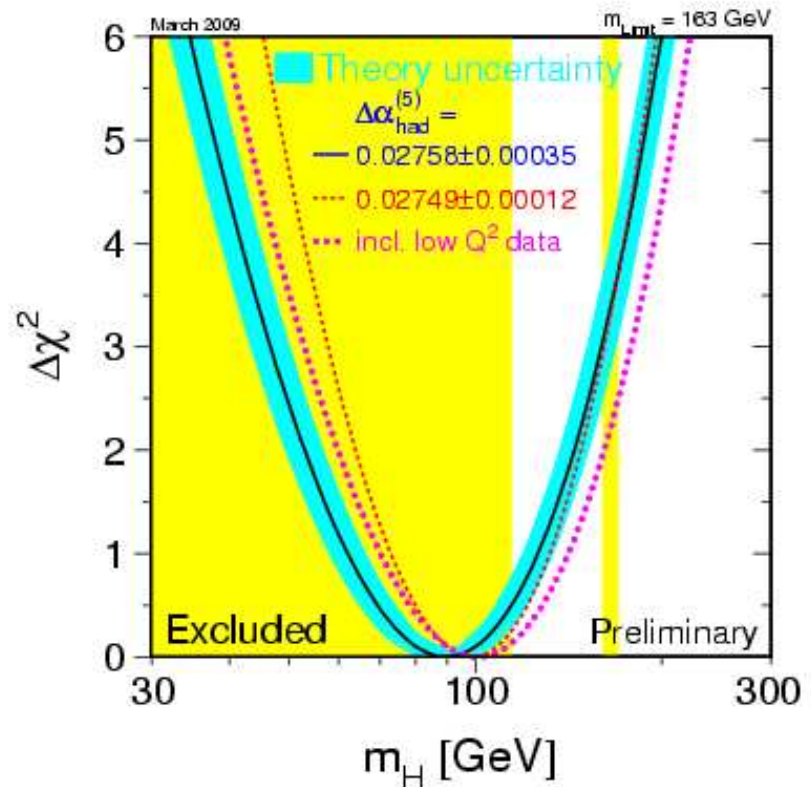
→ changes measured m_W :

$$\Delta_H m_W \propto m_W \ln \frac{m_H^2}{m_W^2}$$

→ log dependence on m_H

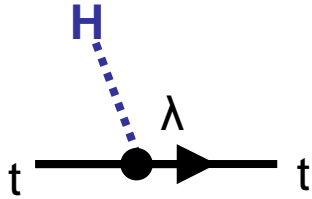
... m_H lighter than about 200 GeV

Fit to lots of data
(including m_W)...

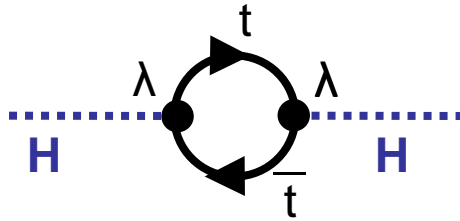


Higgs mass is same order as W, Z bosons

Corrections to Higgs Mass?



The **top quark** gets its **mass** by coupling to Higgs bosons



Similar diagram leads to a change in the Higgs propagator
→ **change in m_H**

Integrate (2) up to loop momentum $\sim \Lambda_{UV}$

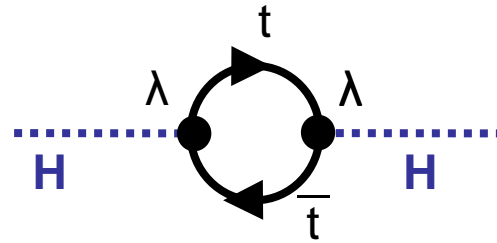
$$\Delta m_H^2 = -\frac{\lambda^2}{8\pi^2} \Lambda_{UV}^2$$

Changes of order Λ_{UV}

Maximum energy at which we think existing theory (SM) is valid

Fixing the Higgs mass

Problem:



$$\Delta m_H \sim \Lambda_{UV}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} m_{GUT} \sim 10^{16} \text{ GeV} \\ m_{Pl} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c}{G}} \sim 10^{19} \text{ GeV} \end{array} \right.$$

$$m_H (\text{true}) = m_H (\text{bare}) + \Delta m_H$$

→ needs **extraordinary** cancellation

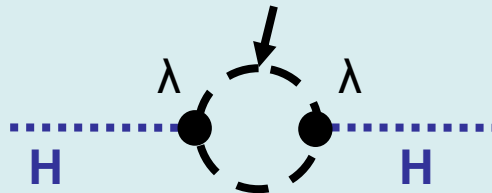
→ “**Fine tuning**” of m_H (bare)

Fermion loop

$$\Delta m_H^2 = -\frac{\lambda^2}{8\pi^2} \Lambda_{UV}^2$$

Fix:

Spin-0 particle



Need **new** partner $\Delta s = 1/2$
to cancel **each** SM particle

Cancel this correction?

Boson loop → **opposite** correction:

$$\Delta m_H^2 = +\frac{\lambda^2}{8\pi^2} \Lambda_{UV}^2$$

Same coupling as top

→ **New** spin-0 particle

Supersymmetry

- Nature permits only particular types of symmetry:

(1) Space & time

- Lorentz transforms
- Rotations and translations

(2) Gauge symmetry

- Such as Standard Model force symmetries
- $SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)$

(3) Supersymmetry

- Anti-commuting generators:

$$\{Q_r, \bar{Q}_s\} = 2\gamma_{rs}^\mu P_\mu$$

$$\{A, B\} \equiv AB + BA$$

- Q changes Fermion into Boson and vice-versa:

Symbolically:

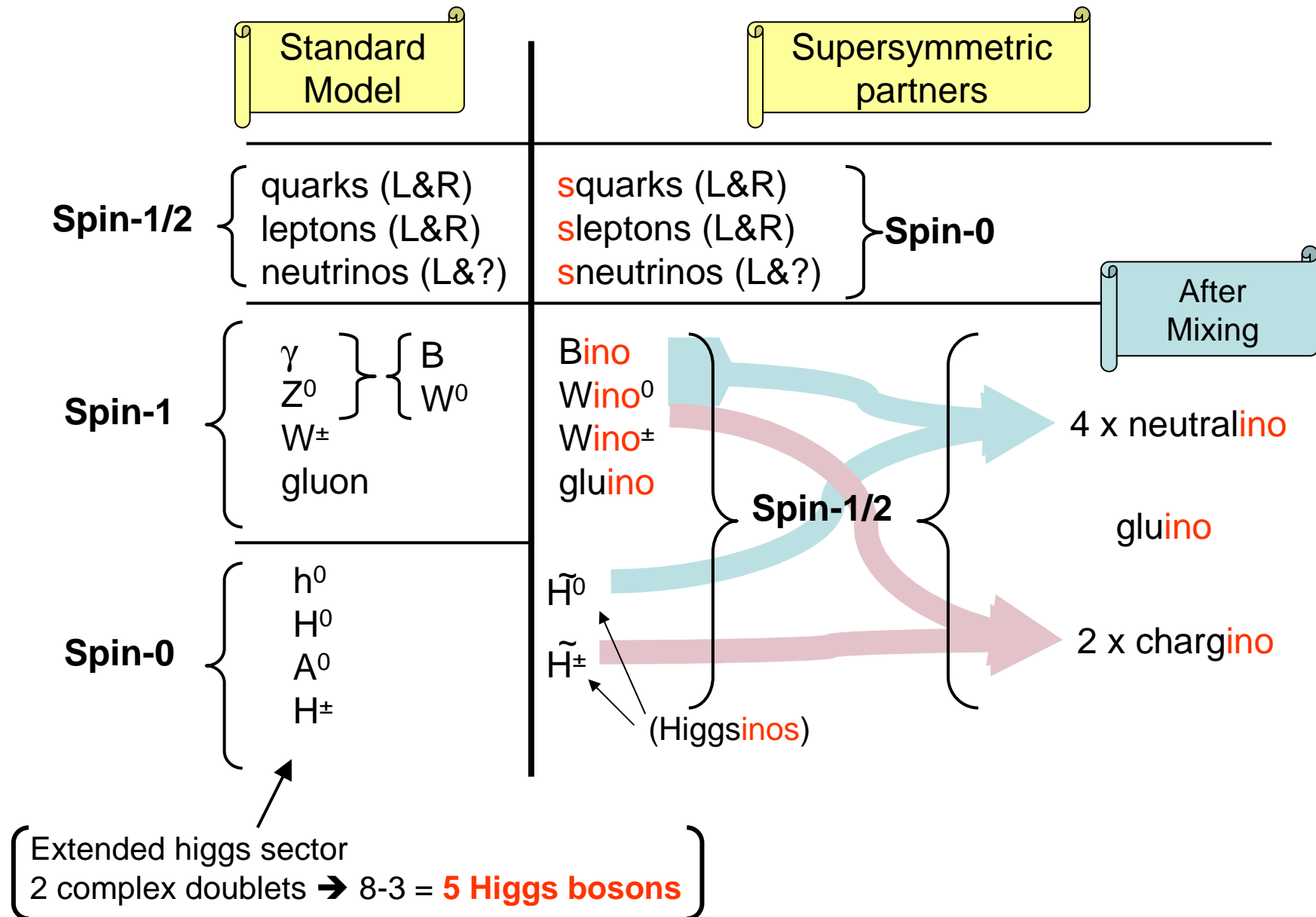
Q fermion \rightarrow boson

Q boson \rightarrow fermion

Equal numbers of **bosonic** & **fermionic** degrees of freedom

Precisely what is needed to **fix** Higgs mass problem

(S)Particles



Two complications

Supersymmetry is a **broken** symmetry

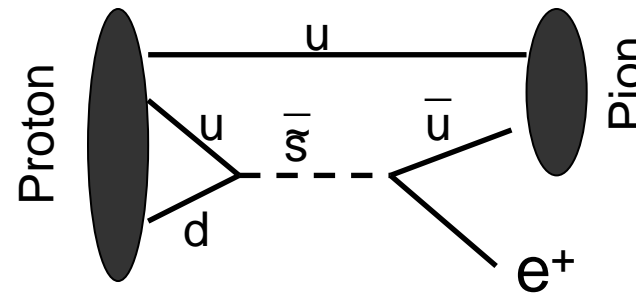
If exact would have
 $m(\tilde{e}) = m(e)$

No partners **yet observed**
up to $m \sim 100$ GeV

Expect masses \sim **TeV**
 \rightarrow fine tuning problem

Unrestricted supersymmetry

\rightarrow fast **proton decay**



For **stable protons** need
conservation of:

$$R_P = (-1)^{3B+L+2S}$$

$$R_P = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{SM particles} \\ -1 & \text{SUSY particles} \end{cases}$$

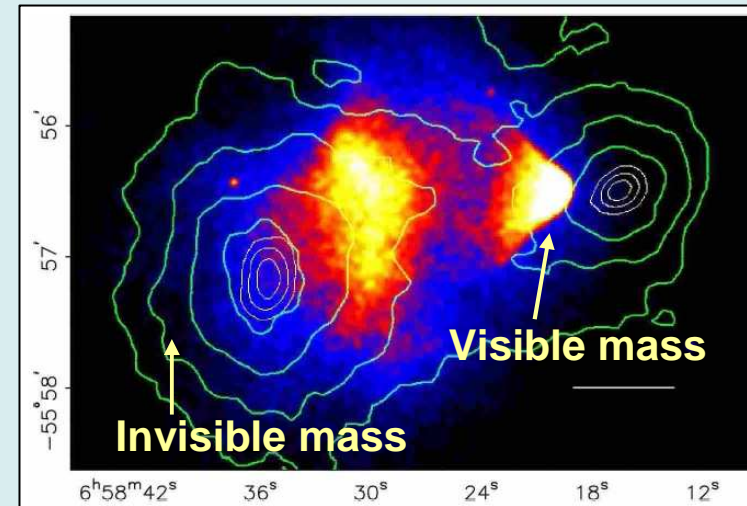
Do we really need to double the particles?

- Lightest SUSY particle can easily be:

- **Uncharged**
- **Stable**
- **Massive**

Why stable?

- Good **dark matter** candidate



Bullet cluster

Adding **Supersymmetry** also helps with

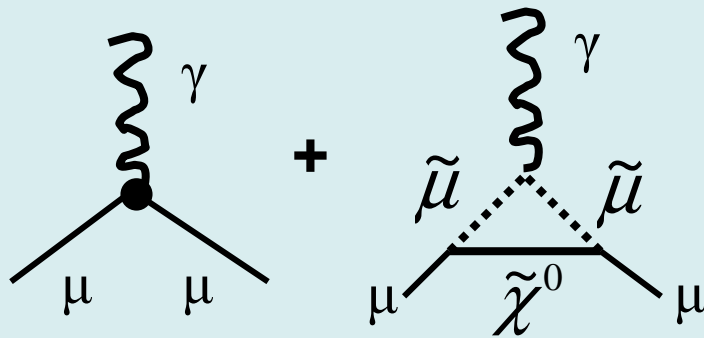
- **Grand Unification**
- **Electroweak symmetry breaking**

Supersymmetry solves a lot of problems

Finding Supersymmetry

- **Precision**
experiments

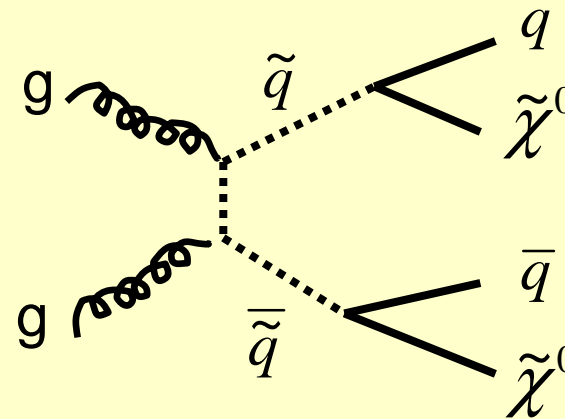
**E.g. magnetic moment
of the muon:**



Currently expt not quite in agreement with **S.M.** prediction

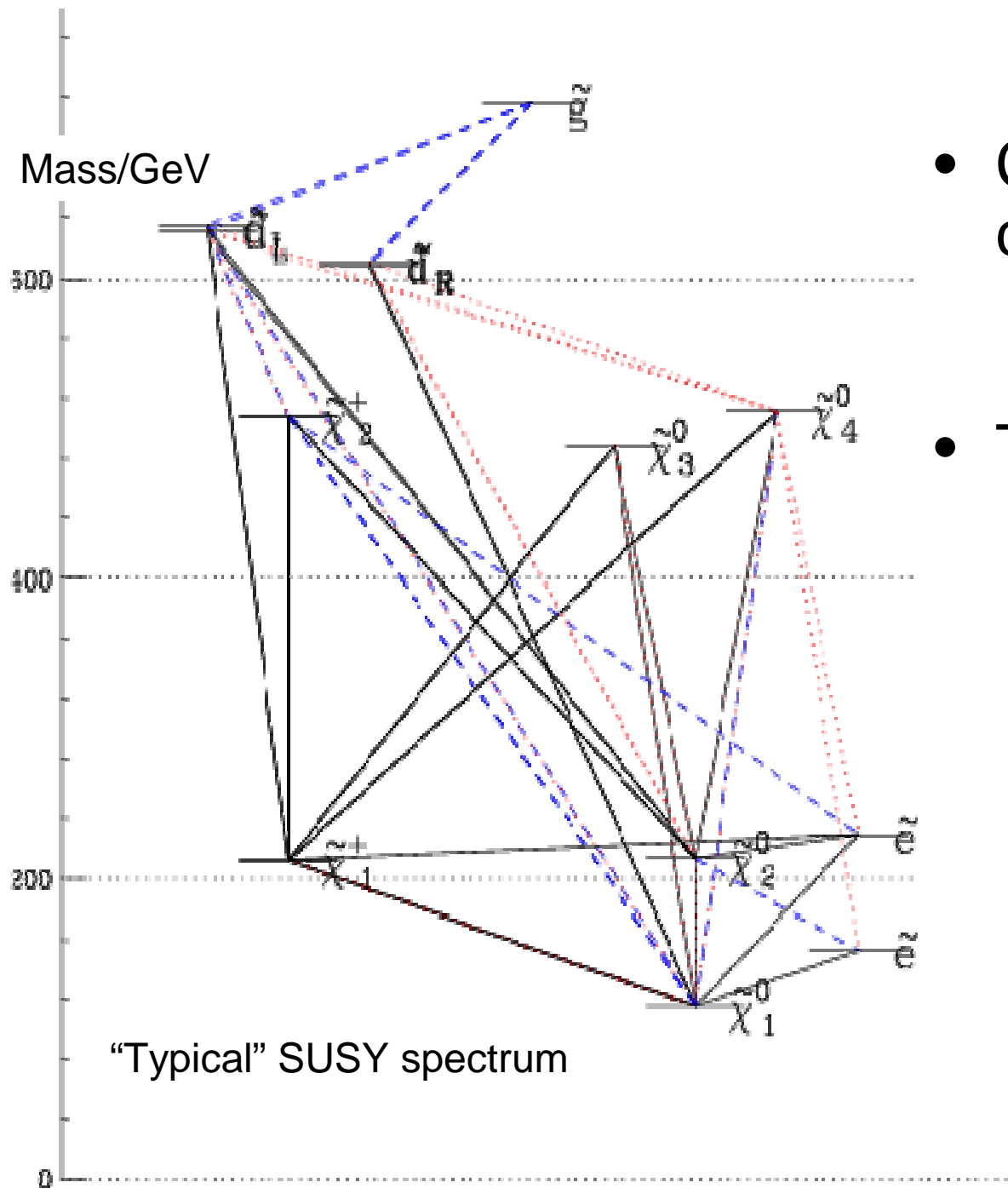
- **Direct search**

E.g. LEP, Tevatron, **LHC** colliders



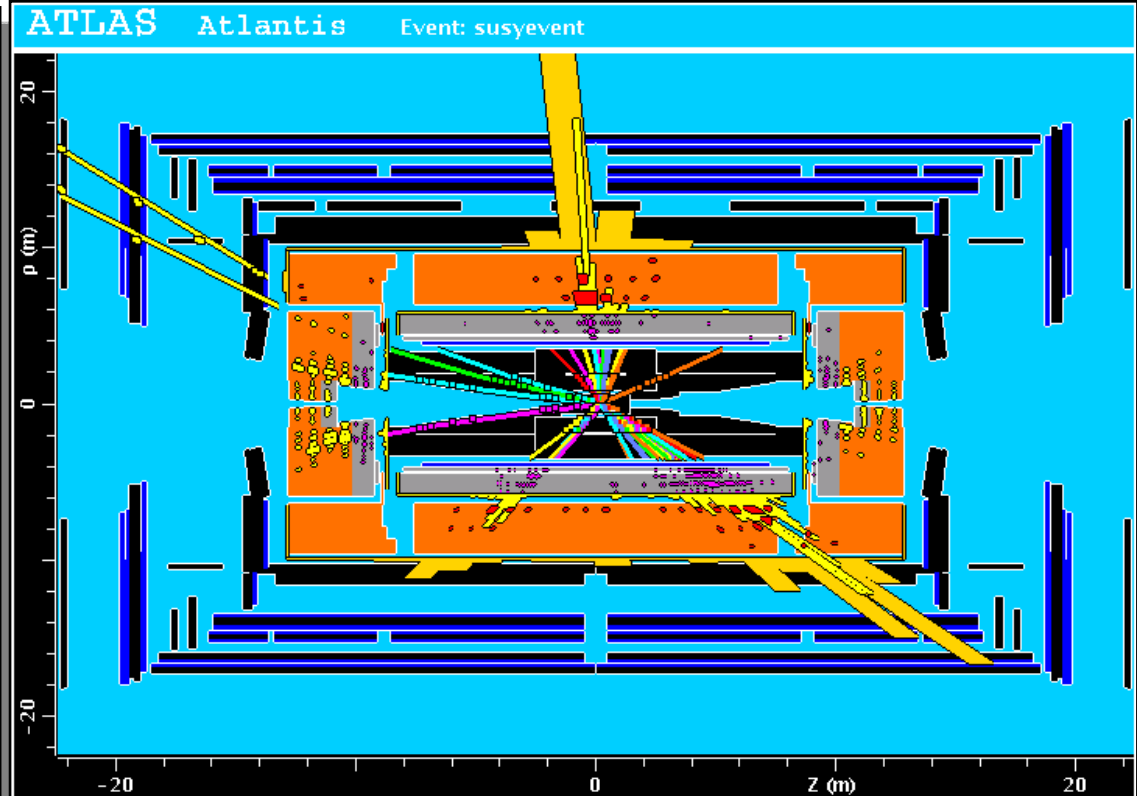
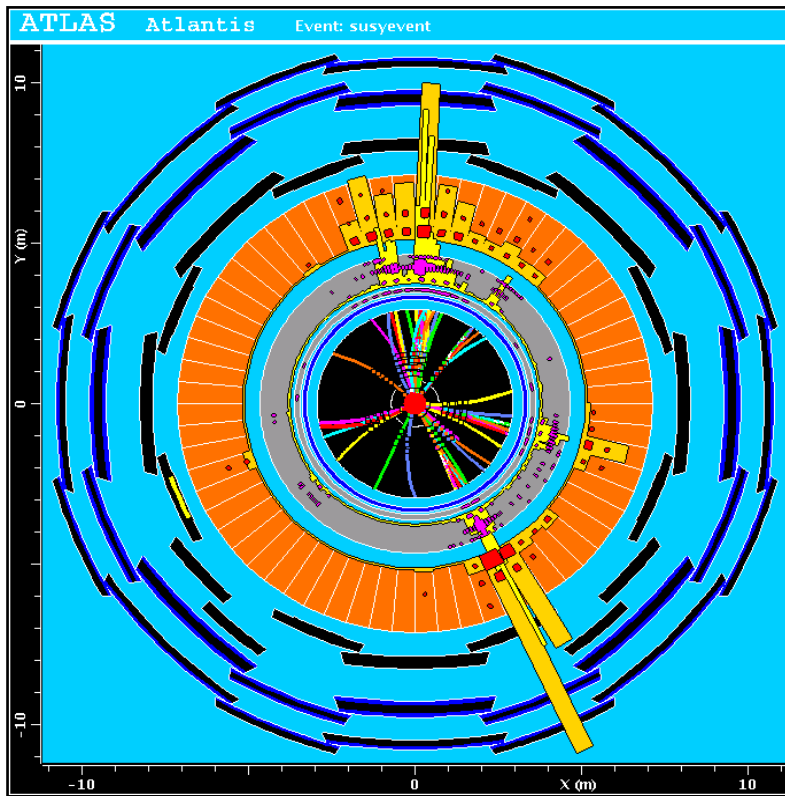
Produce heavy particles
which then decay

Why produced in pairs?



- Complicated cascade decays
 - Many intermediates
- Typical signal
 - **Jets**
 - Squarks and Gluinos
 - **Leptons**
 - Sleptons and weak gauginos
 - **Missing mmtm**
 - Undetected Lightest SUSY Particle

Simulated SUSY event



Missing transverse momentum

Jets

Leptons

Heavy quarks

After finding a Higgs boson...

- **Discover Supersymmetry**
 - Backgrounds?
- **Measure sparticle masses**
 - Probe SUSY **breaking** mechanism
- **Measure sparticle spins**
 - Show that they differ by $\frac{1}{2}$ unit from SM
- **Find the other four Higgs bosons**
 - Supersymmetry requires **five**

An aerial photograph of a valley with a yellow circular path and the text "Go hunting ...". The path is a glowing yellow line with small circles at intervals, forming a large loop around the valley. The text "Go hunting ..." is centered in the middle of the path. The background shows a vast valley with a city, a river, and mountains in the distance under a blue sky.

Go hunting ...

More...

- SUSY primer: S.P. Martin

<http://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/9709356>