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Master Colloquium

SUSY Parameter determination and dark matter phenomenology at future e^+e^- -colliders

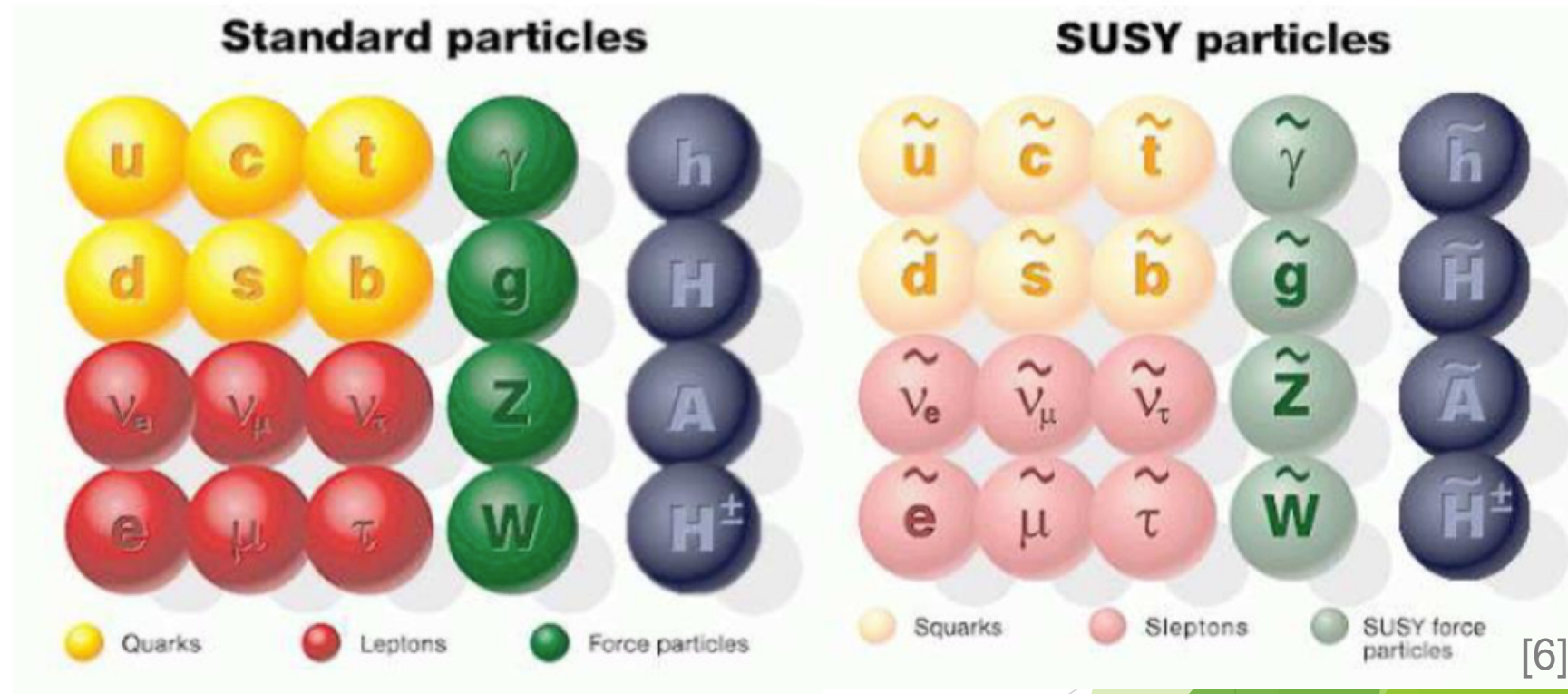
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MSSM

- SM-particles get supersymmetric partners
- Additionally:
 - Neutralinos: $\tilde{\chi}_1^0, \tilde{\chi}_2^0, \tilde{\chi}_3^0, \tilde{\chi}_4^0$
 - Charginos: $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm, \tilde{\chi}_2^\pm$



De Roeck, 2016: Beyond the Standard Model... [6]

- Dark matter candidate: $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$

Mass matrices in the MSSM

- We use the Bino-Wino basis $\{\tilde{B}, \tilde{W}^0, \tilde{H}_1^0, \tilde{H}_2^0\}$

- Parameters:

- M_1 : Bino mass parameter
- M_2 : Wino mass parameter
- μ : Higgsino mass parameter
- $\tan \beta = \frac{v_2}{v_1}$

$$M_C = \begin{pmatrix} M_2 & m_W \sqrt{2} \sin \beta \\ m_W \sqrt{2} \cos \beta & \mu \end{pmatrix}$$

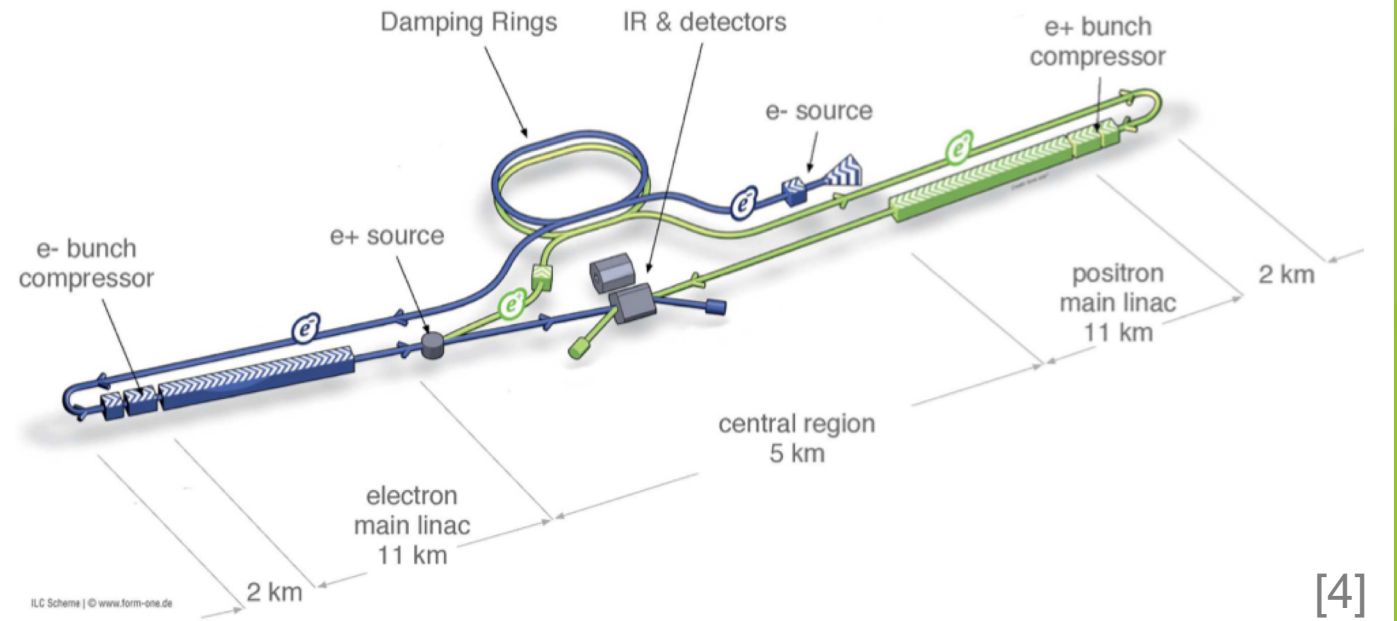
- Mixing angles $\phi_{L,R}$ used to diagonalize matrices

$$M_N = \begin{pmatrix} M_1 & 0 & -m_Z \cos \beta \sin \theta_W & m_Z \sin \beta \sin \theta_W \\ 0 & M_2 & m_Z \cos \beta \cos \theta_W & -m_Z \sin \beta \cos \theta_W \\ -m_Z \cos \beta \sin \theta_W & m_Z \cos \beta \cos \theta_W & 0 & -\mu \\ m_Z \sin \beta \sin \theta_W & -m_Z \sin \beta \cos \theta_W & -\mu & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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International Linear Collider

- Future e^+e^- linear collider with spin polarised beams
- Searches for signs of physics beyond the Standard Model
- Possible experiment:
 - $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^+ \tilde{\chi}_1^-$
 - Luminosity $L = 500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
 - $\sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV}$
 - $\sqrt{s} = 550 \text{ GeV}$ also possible

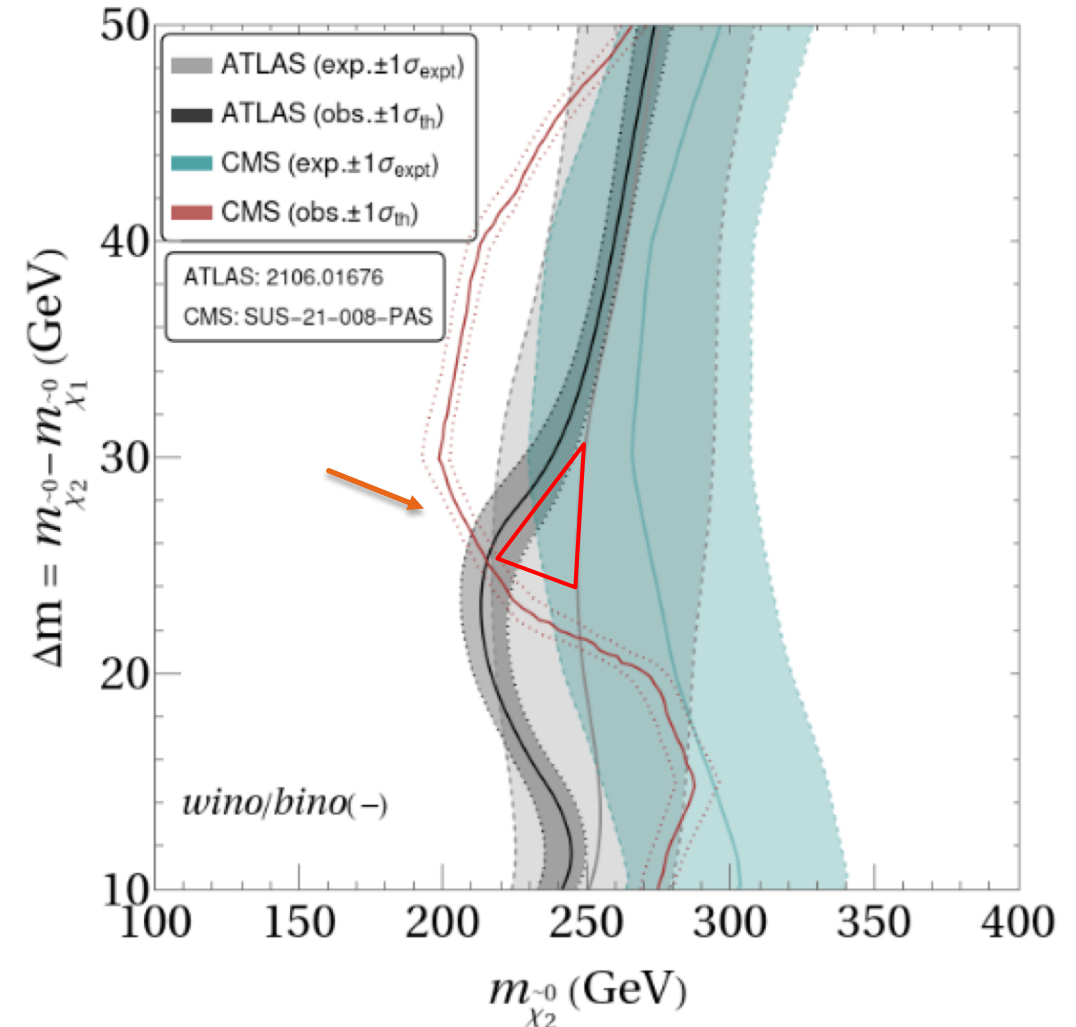


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Zarnecki, 2020: On the physics potential...
[8] Abramowicz et al.: arXiv:2503.24049

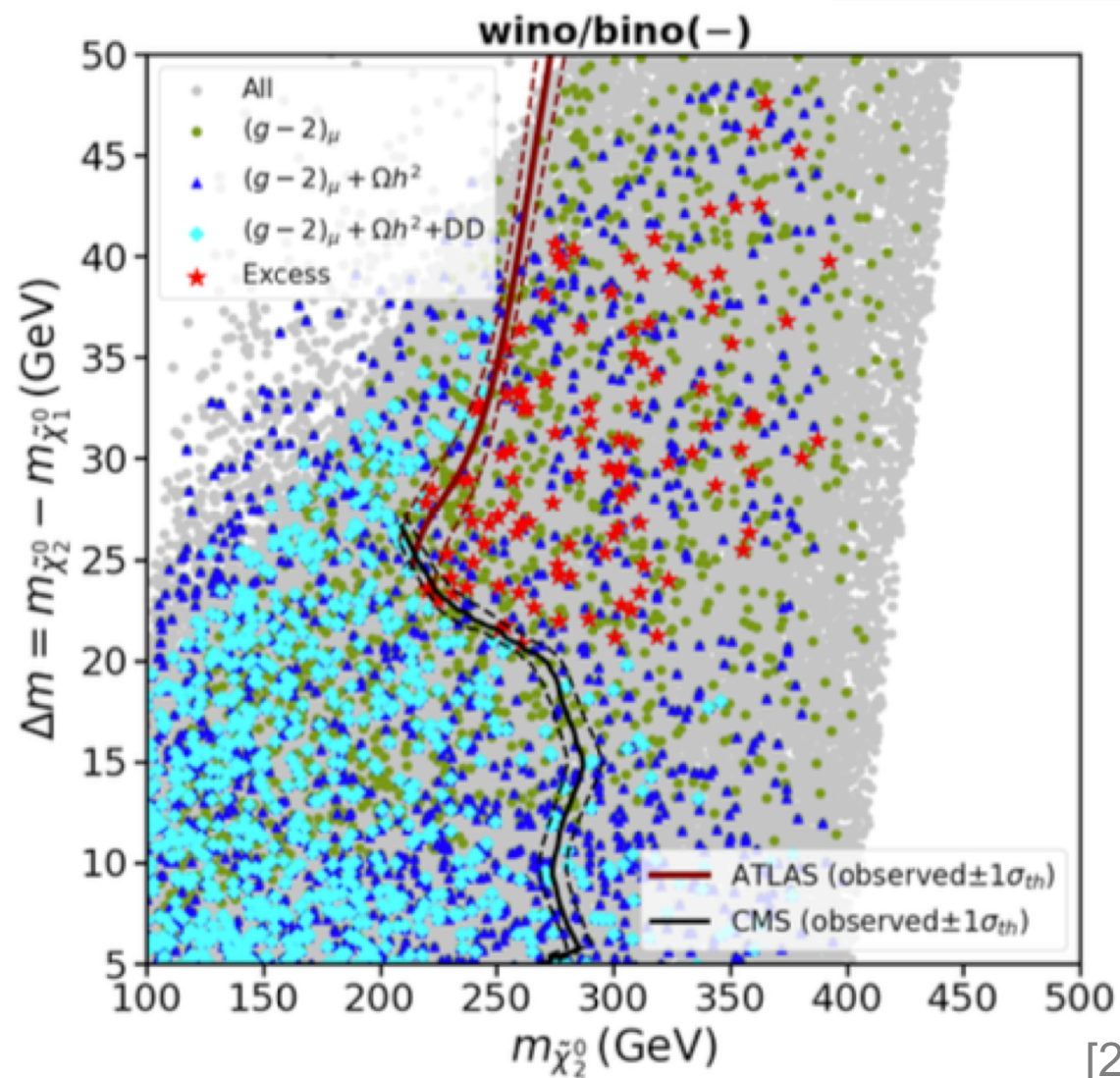
Motivation of analysis scenario

- Excess in ATLAS & CMS searches in channel: $pp \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_2^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 Z^{(*)} \tilde{\chi}_1^0 W^{\pm(*)}$
- Possible explanation: Bino-wino-like DM with $\mu \times M_1 < 0$ (Bino/Wino(-))
- Search for points in this excess was done in previous publication by Chakraborti et al. [2]



Motivation of analysis scenario

- Red points describe the excess
- Analysis is done for such parameter points!



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Data

- SLHA files are taken from „Consistent Excesses in the Search for $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$: Wino/bino vs. Higgsino Dark Matter“ by Chakraborti et al. [2]
- Constraints:
 - Vacuum stability constraints
 - DM relic density constraints
 - Constraints from LHC measurements
 - DM direct detection constraints

Steps of the analysis

Goal: Reconstruct DM
with e^+e^-
measurements

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^+ \tilde{\chi}_1^-)$$
$$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm}, m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$$

$$A_{FB}^{prod.}, A_{FB}^{fin.}$$

$$\phi_L, \phi_R$$

$$\Delta M_{\tilde{\nu}}$$

Reconstructed via Scan with
three different methods to get
uncertainty in $\Delta M_{\tilde{\nu}}$

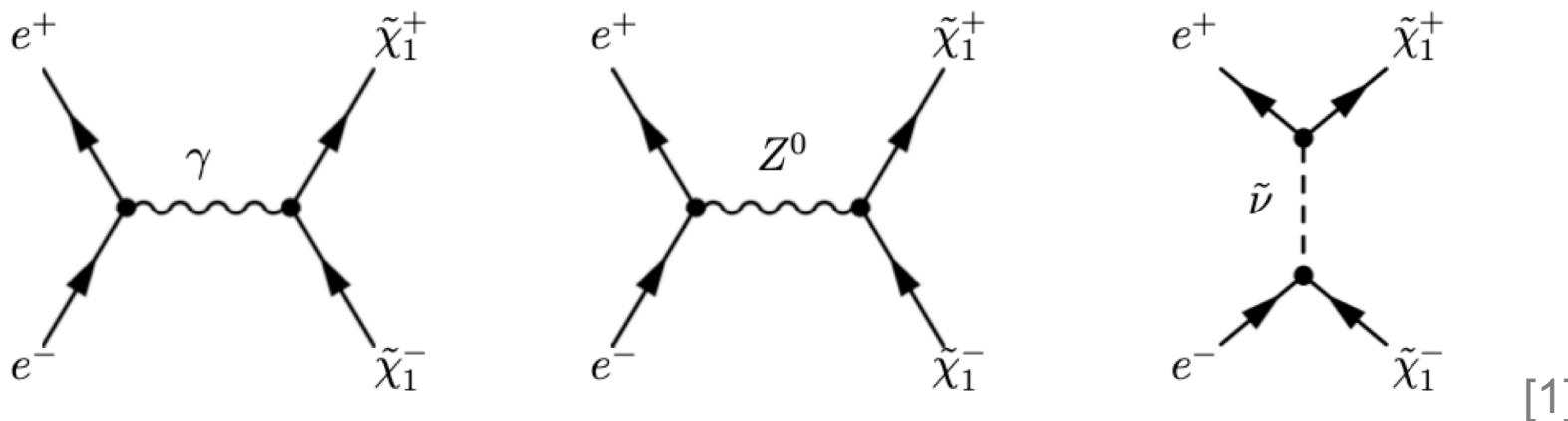
$$M_1, M_2, \mu$$

$$\Omega h_{true}^2$$

$$\Omega h_{scan}^2$$

Chargino pair production

- Contributing first order Feynman diagrams for chargino pair production:



Desch et al.: arXiv:hep-ph/0607104v2

- Crosssection calculated with mixing angles

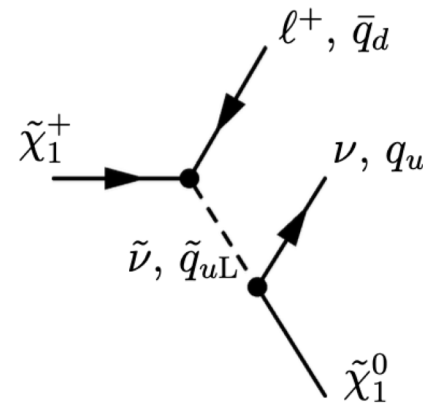
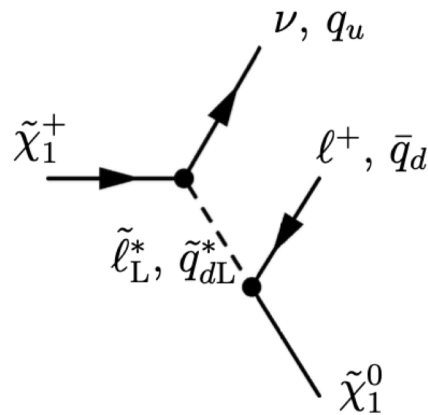
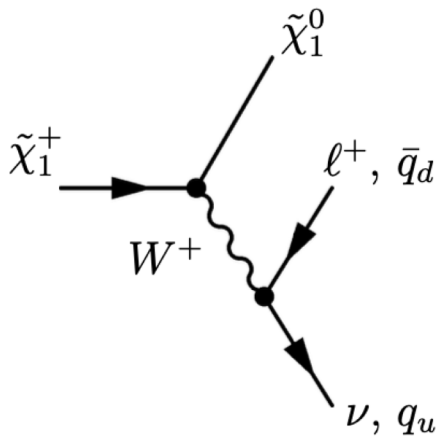
$$\sigma^{\pm}\{ij\} = c_1 \cos^2 2\Phi_L + c_2 \cos 2\Phi_L + c_3 \cos^2 2\Phi_R + c_4 \cos 2\Phi_R + c_5 \cos 2\Phi_L \cos 2\Phi_R + c_6$$

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Desch et al.: arXiv:hep-ph/0312069v1

Decay modes

- Contributing first order Feynman diagrams for leptonic and hadronic decay of charginos:



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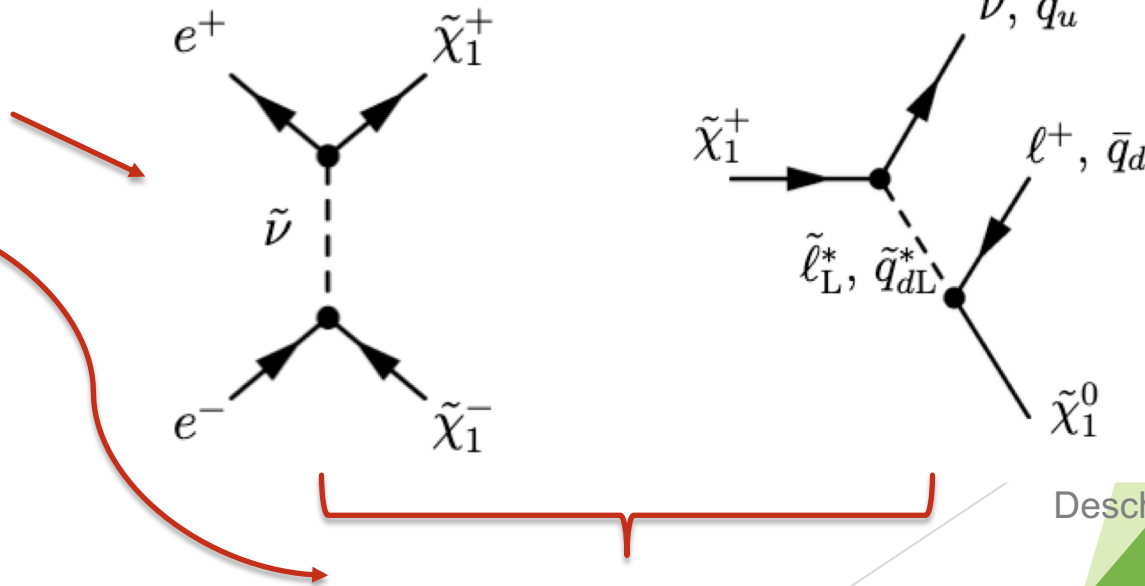
Forward-backward asymmetry

- Forward-backward asymmetry calculated with crosssections:

$$A_{FB} = \frac{\sigma_F - \sigma_B}{\sigma_F + \sigma_B}$$

- Different A_{FB} are used:

- A_{FB} from production
- Final state A_{FB}



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Configurations

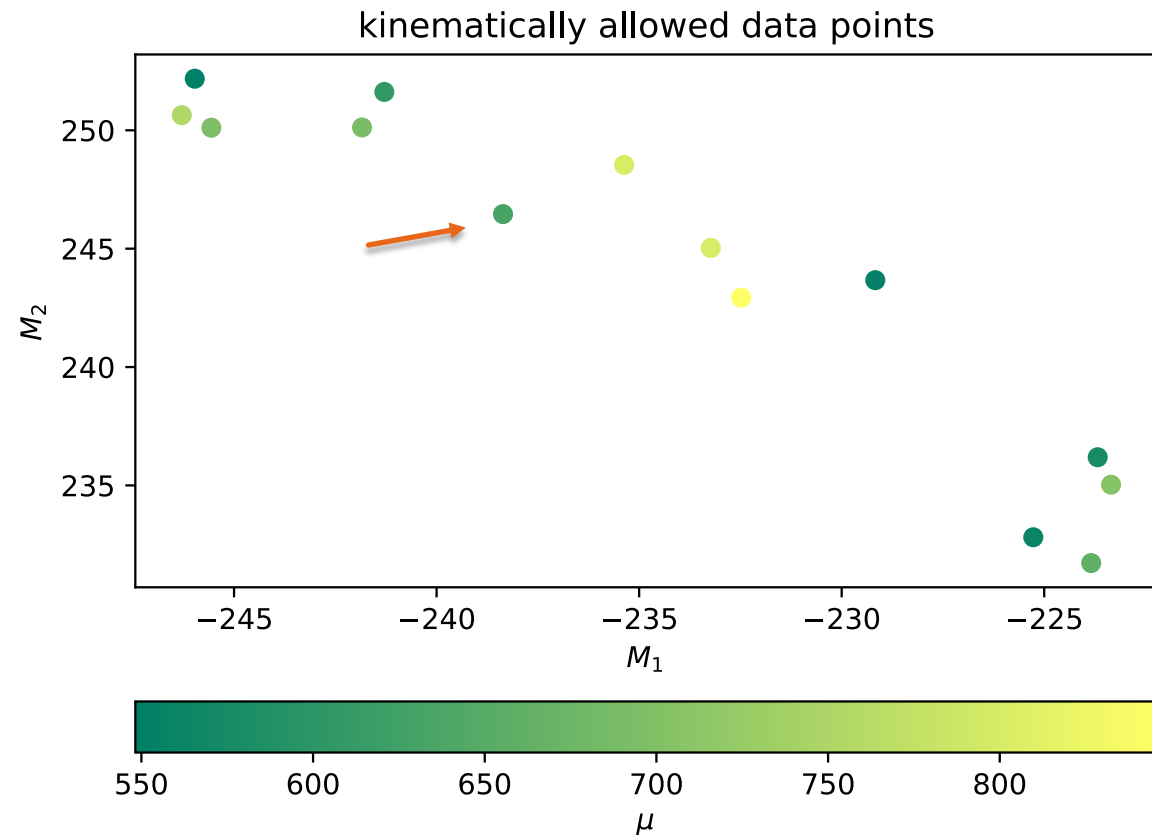
- We use four beam configurations to increase precision
- Consider the following uncertainties:

statistical uncertainty	$\sigma_{\text{stat}} = \frac{\sqrt{\sigma L}}{L}$
polarisation uncertainty	$P_{e^-} = \pm 0.804, P_{e^+} = \mp 0.603$ $P_{e^-} = \pm 0.796, P_{e^+} = \mp 0.597$
mass uncertainty	$\delta m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm} = 0.005 m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm}$

\sqrt{s}	P_{e^-}	P_{e^+}
500 GeV	-0.8	+0.6
500 GeV	+0.8	-0.6
550 GeV	-0.8	+0.6
550 GeV	+0.8	-0.6

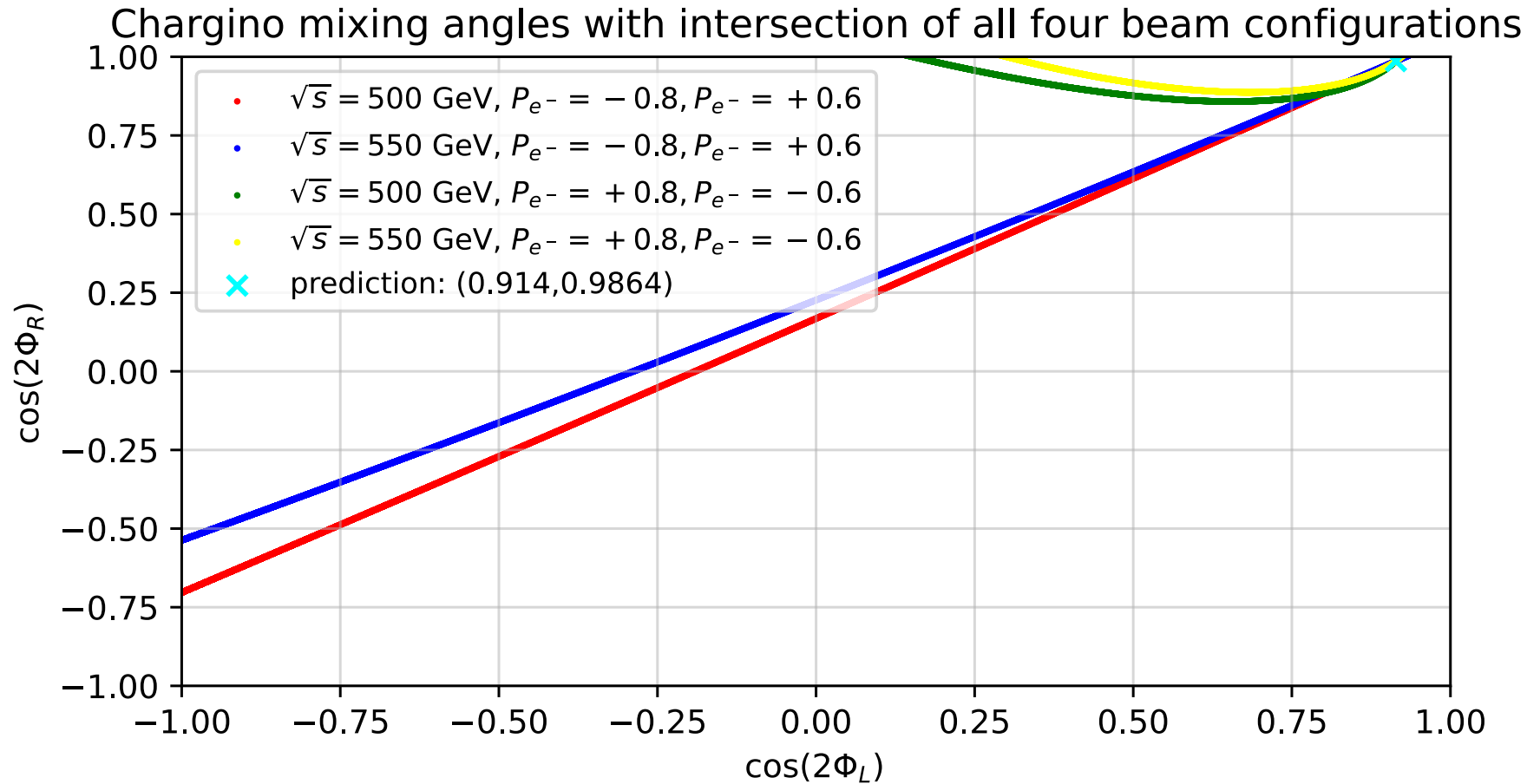
Example point

- Out of 14 kinematically allowed data points, one is taken as example point for following explanations



M_1	-238.36 GeV	$\sigma_{-.8,+.6}^{500}$	394.9612 fb
M_2	246.46 GeV	$\sigma_{+.8,-.6}^{500}$	11.0373 fb
μ	632.64 GeV	$\sigma_{-.8,+.6}^{550}$	519.8185 fb
$\tan \beta$	51.97	$\sigma_{+.8,-.6}^{550}$	14.4873 fb
$M_{\tilde{\nu}}$	496.78 GeV	$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm}$	241.48 GeV
Prod. $A_{-.8,+.6}^{500}$	0.1008	Fin. $A_{-.8,+.6}^{500}$	0.346
Prod. $A_{+.8,-.6}^{500}$	0.1012	Fin. $A_{+.8,-.6}^{500}$	0.342
Prod. $A_{-.8,+.6}^{550}$	0.2255	Fin. $A_{-.8,+.6}^{550}$	0.369
Prod. $A_{+.8,-.6}^{550}$	0.2262	Fin. $A_{+.8,-.6}^{550}$	0.367

Mixing angles without uncertainties

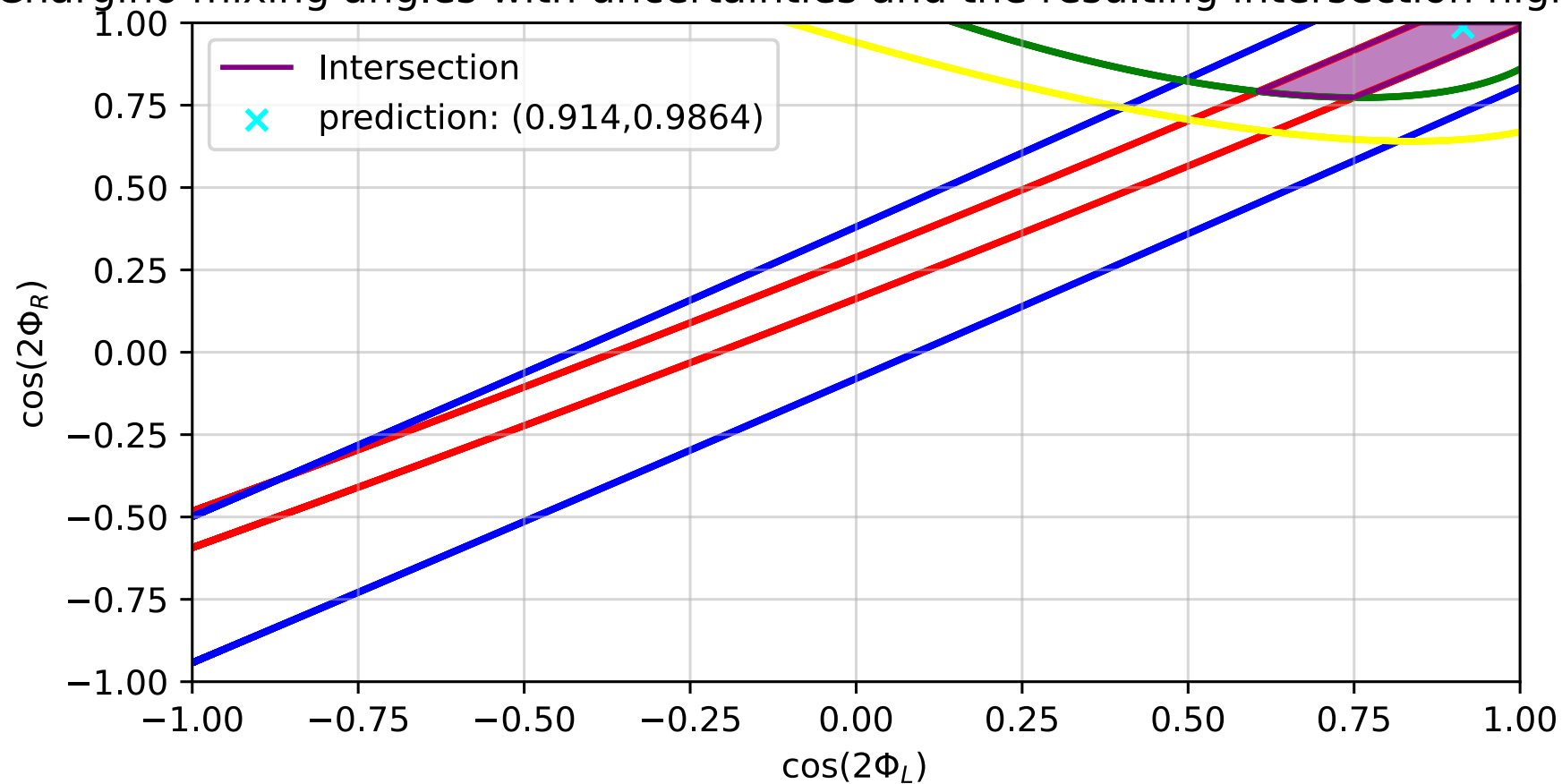


$M_{\tilde{\nu}}$ is fixed!

$$\sigma^{\pm}\{ij\} = c_1 \cos^2 2\Phi_L + c_2 \cos 2\Phi_L + c_3 \cos^2 2\Phi_R + c_4 \cos 2\Phi_R + c_5 \cos 2\Phi_L \cos 2\Phi_R + c_6$$

Valid mixing angles

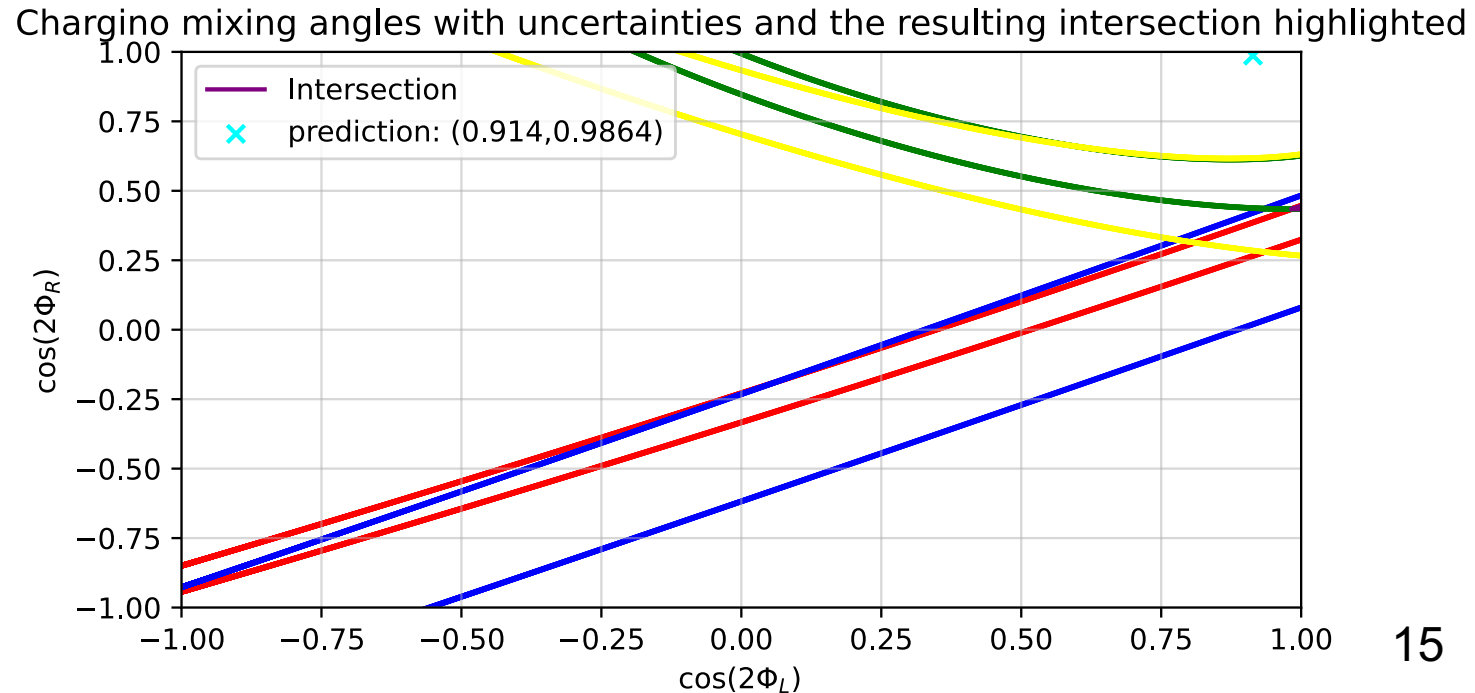
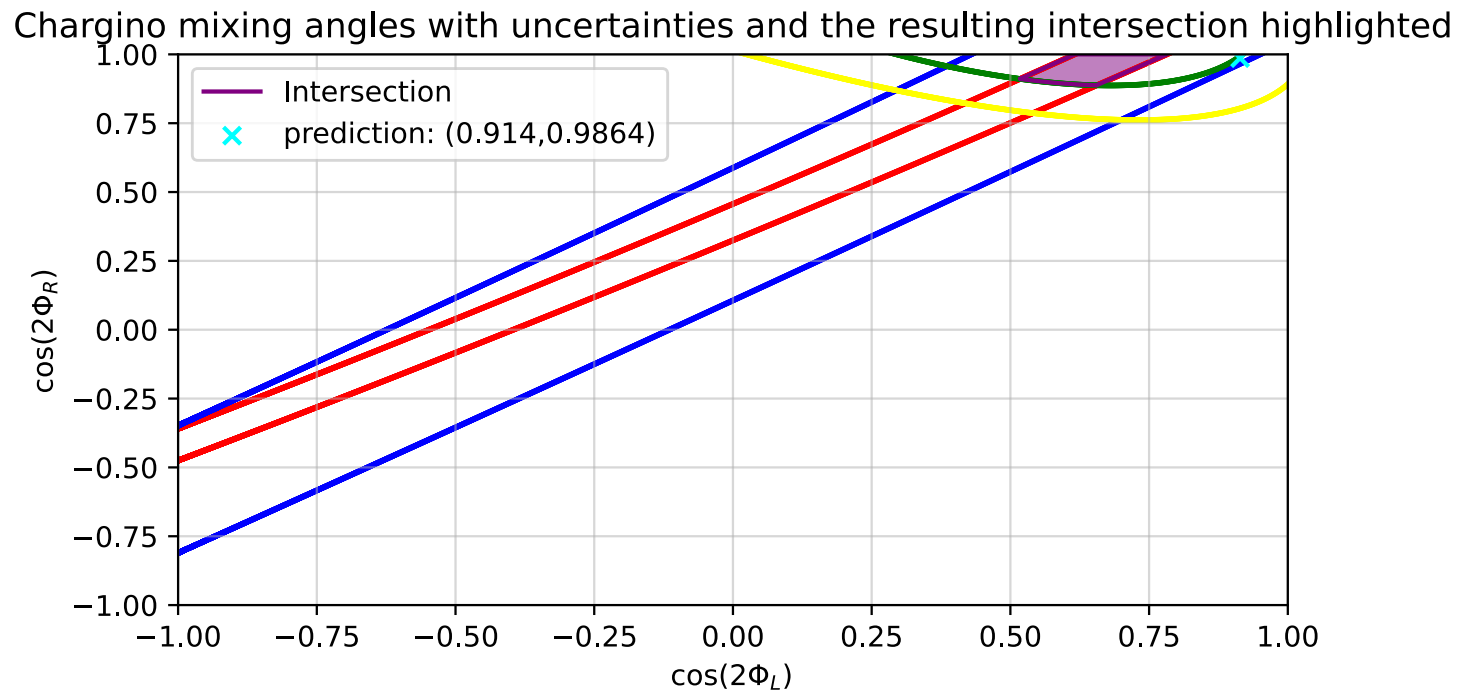
Chargino mixing angles with uncertainties and the resulting intersection highlighted



$M_{\tilde{\nu}}$ is fixed!

Uncertainty of $M_{\tilde{\nu}}$ without A_{FB}

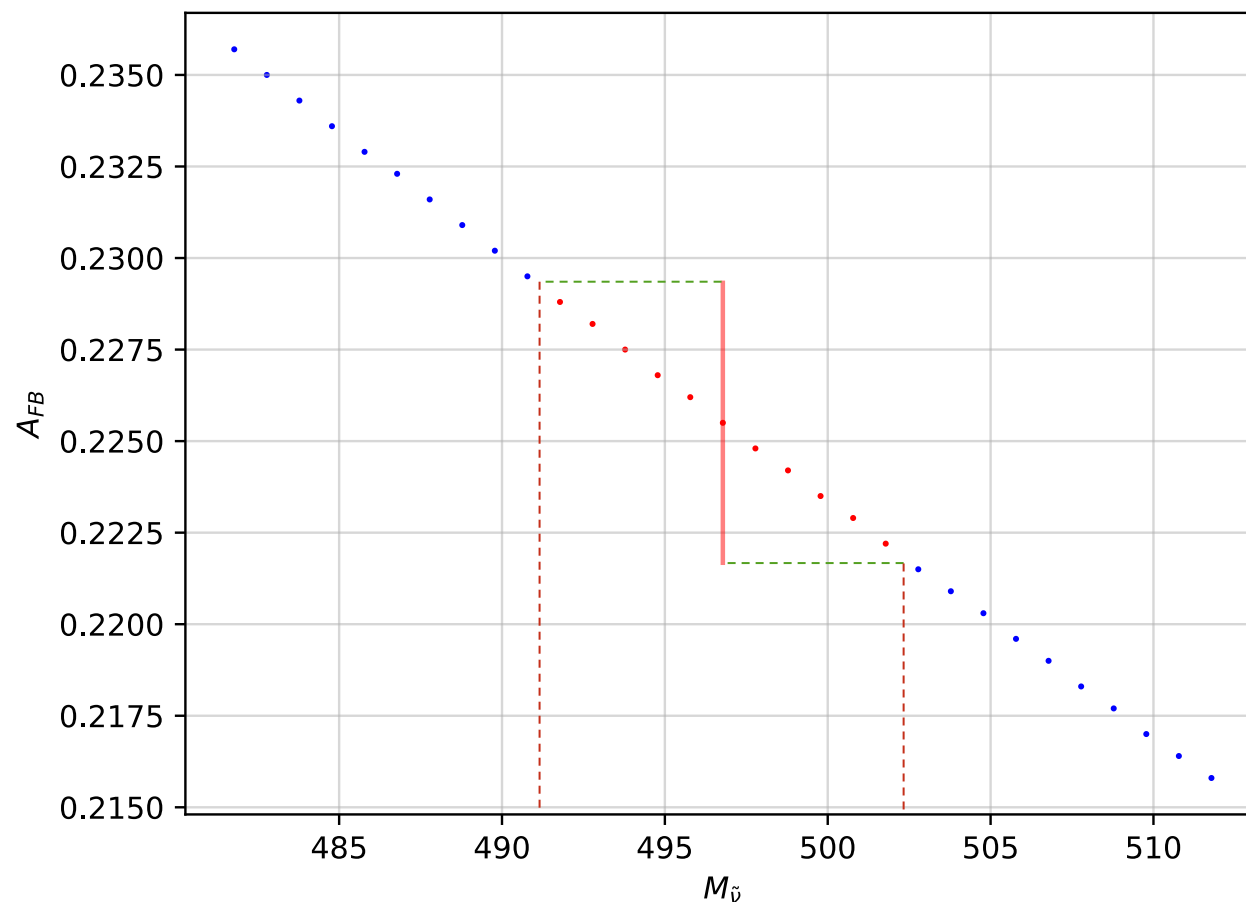
- Variation in steps of 10 GeV until intersection area vanishes
- Variation for the whole data set: -140 to +110 GeV
- Variation for this point: -10 to +40 GeV



Uncertainty of $M_{\tilde{\nu}}$ via A_{FB}

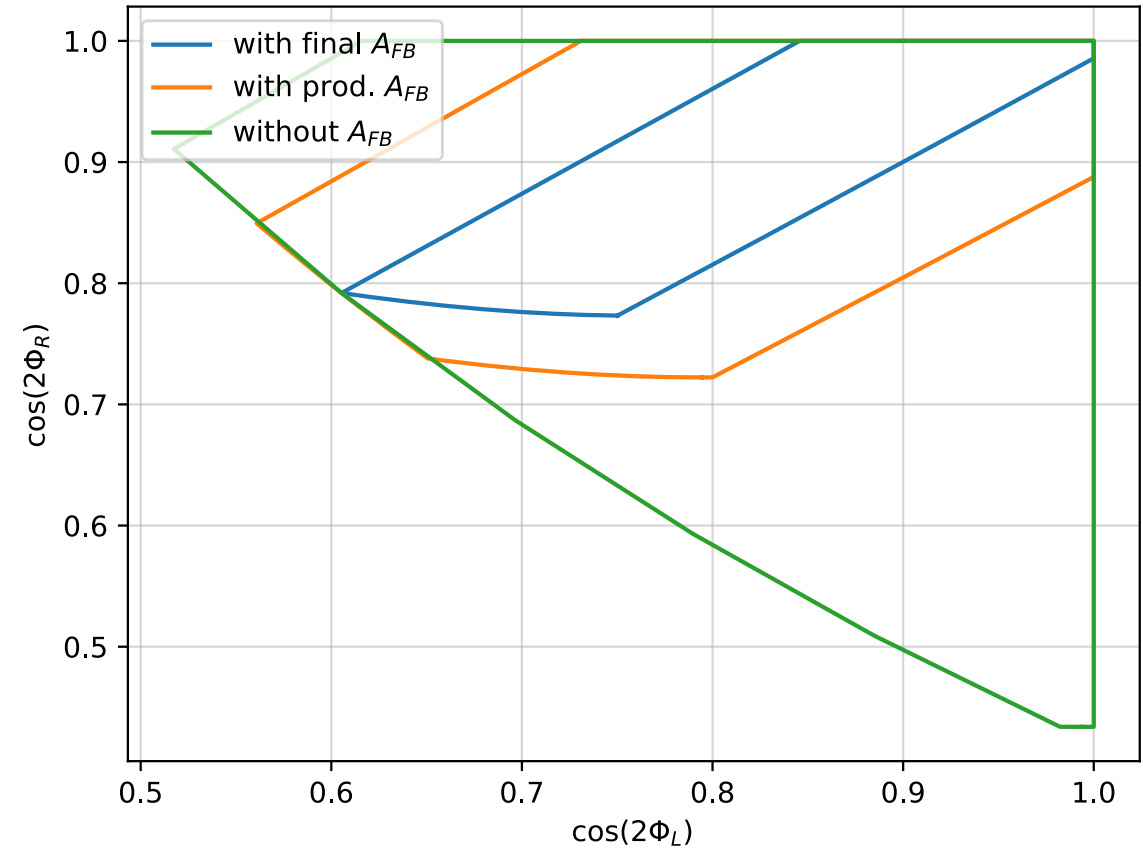
- Derived via A_{FB} of the production channel and the final A_{FB}
- $\Delta A_{FB}^{stat} = 4 \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon(1-\epsilon)}{N}}$ with $\epsilon = \frac{\sigma^F}{\sigma^F + \sigma^B}$ and N: number of events
- $M_{\tilde{\nu}}$ is varied and checked against the allowed A_{FB} within its statistical error
- Experimental error is not included! \rightarrow will lead to relevant degradation in $M_{\tilde{\nu}}$ determination

Derivation of $M_{\tilde{\nu}}$ uncertainty via A_{FB} (here for prod. $A_{-0.8,+0.6}^{550}$)



Comparison

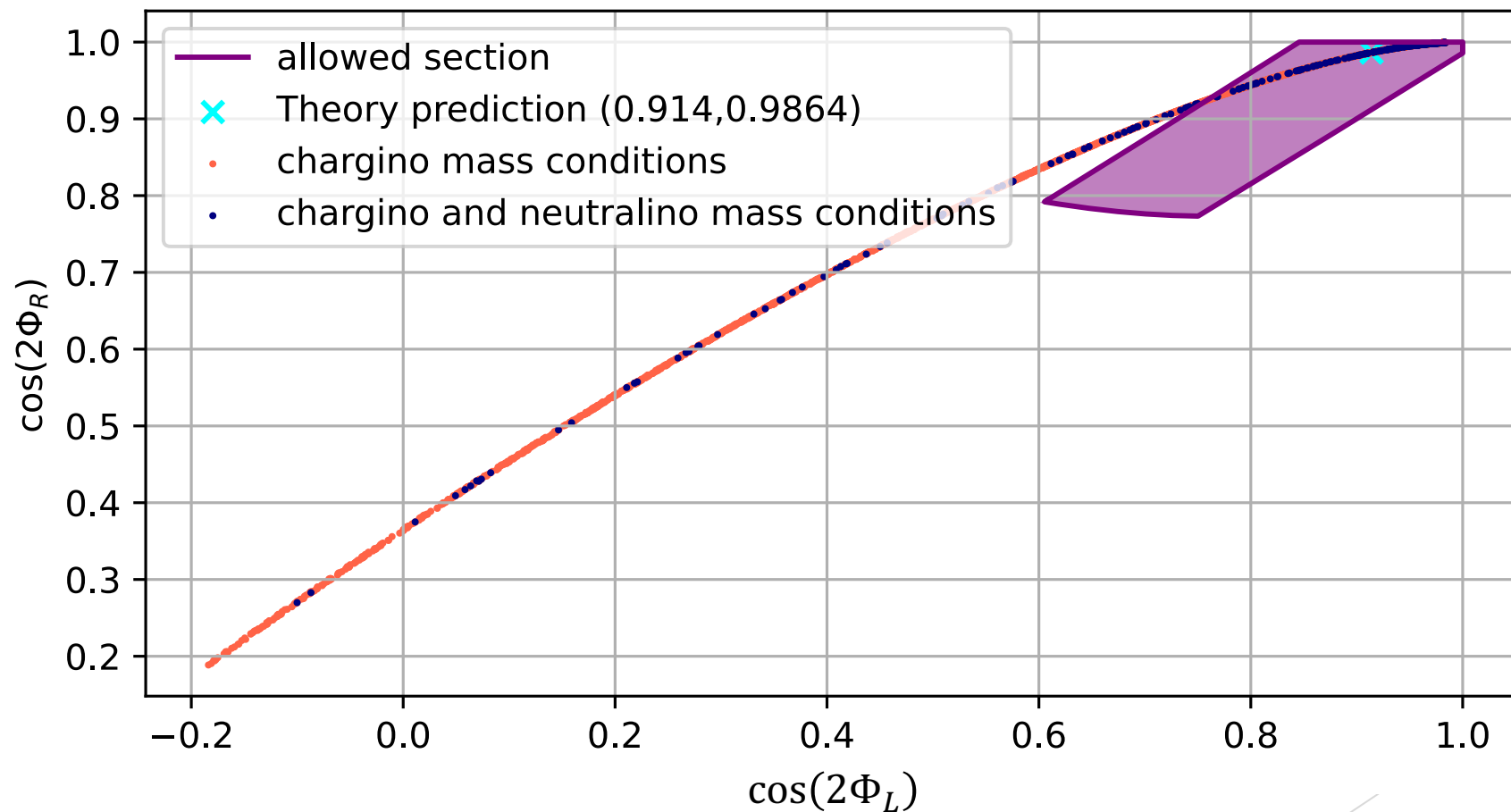
- Improvement in accuracy
 - Especially in comparison to the method without A_{FB}
- Relevant degradation expected by including experimental error on A_{FB}



	Minimal variation of $M_{\tilde{\nu}}$	Maximal variation of $M_{\tilde{\nu}}$
Without A_{FB}	~ -10 GeV	$\sim +40$ GeV
A_{FB} from production	~ -5 GeV	$\sim +5$ GeV
A_{FB} final	>-1 GeV	$<+1$ GeV

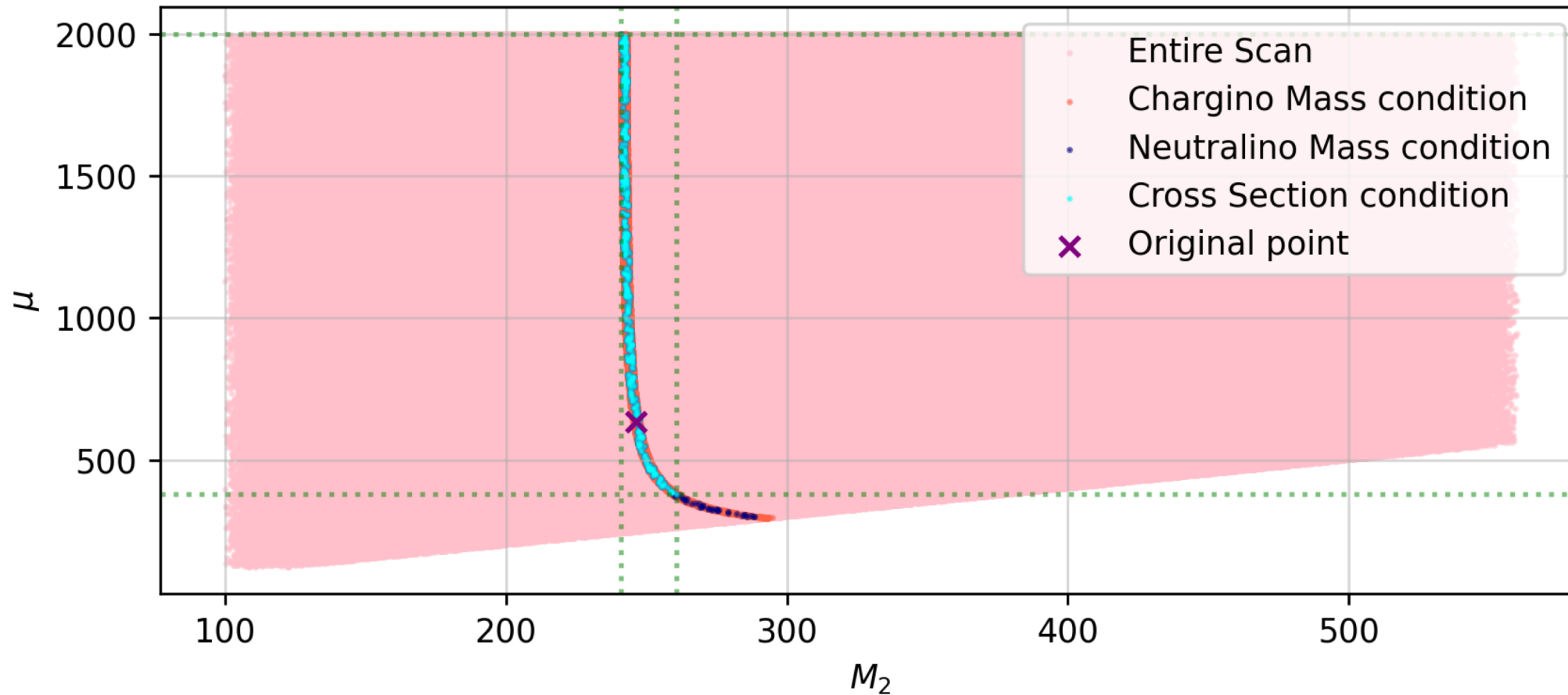
Scanning for valid points

Scan results with cross-section condition visualised using the intersection surface.



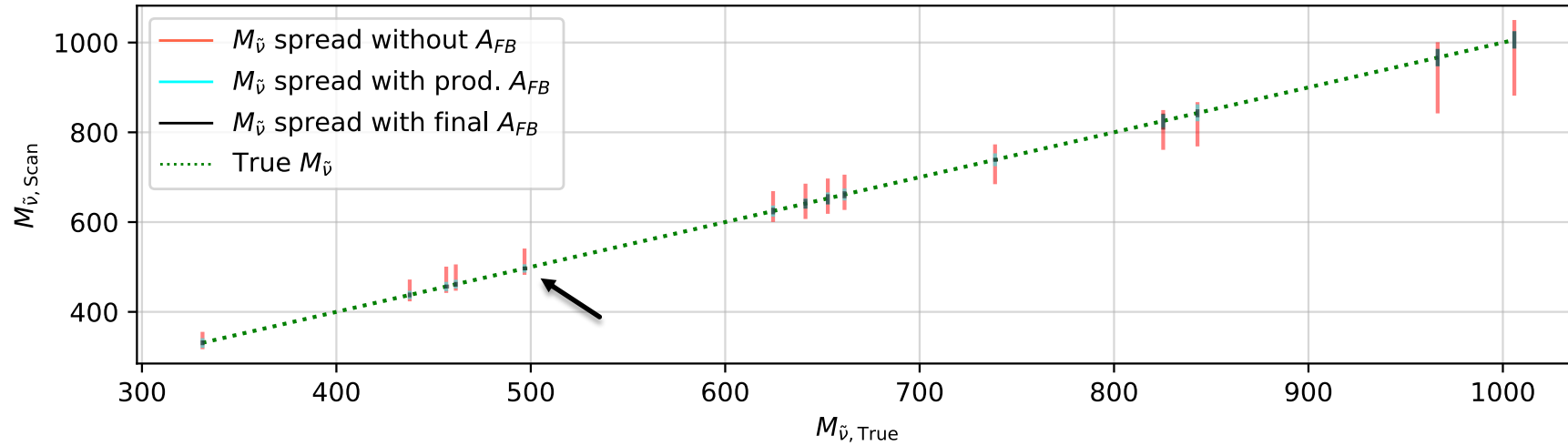
Scanning for valid points

Scan results in the M_2, μ plane.



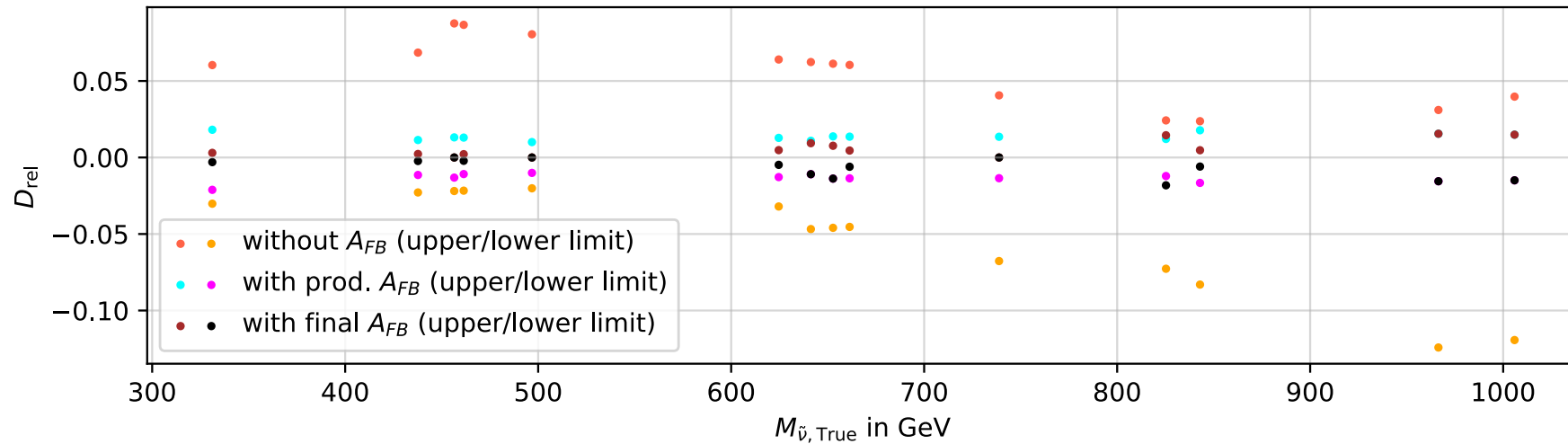
Results for $M_{\tilde{\nu}}$

Parameter scan results of $M_{\tilde{\nu}}$



From now on, all points are included!

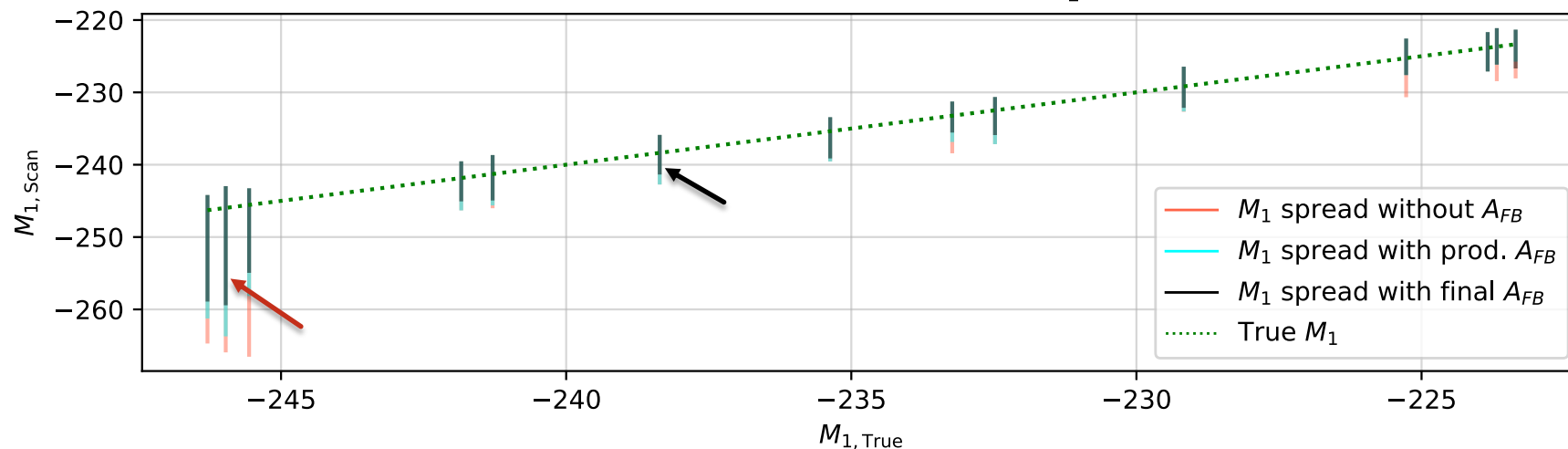
Relative distance of the upper and lower boundary of $M_{\tilde{\nu}}$



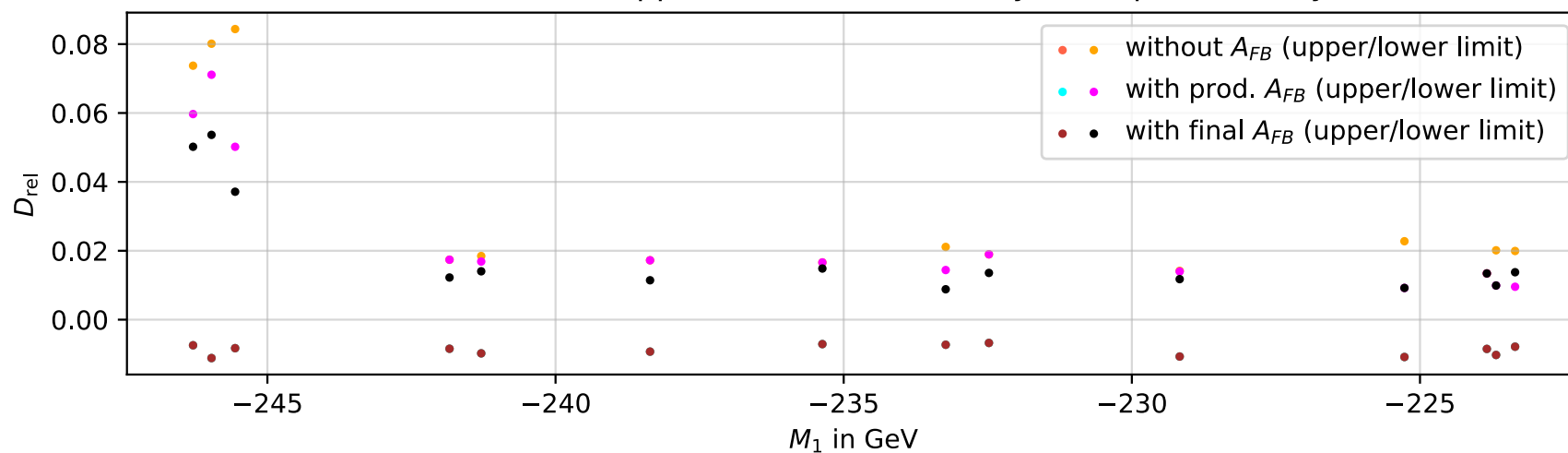
$$D_{rel} = \frac{M_{\tilde{\nu},scan} - M_{\tilde{\nu},true}}{M_{\tilde{\nu},true}}$$

Results for M_1

Parameter scan results of M_1

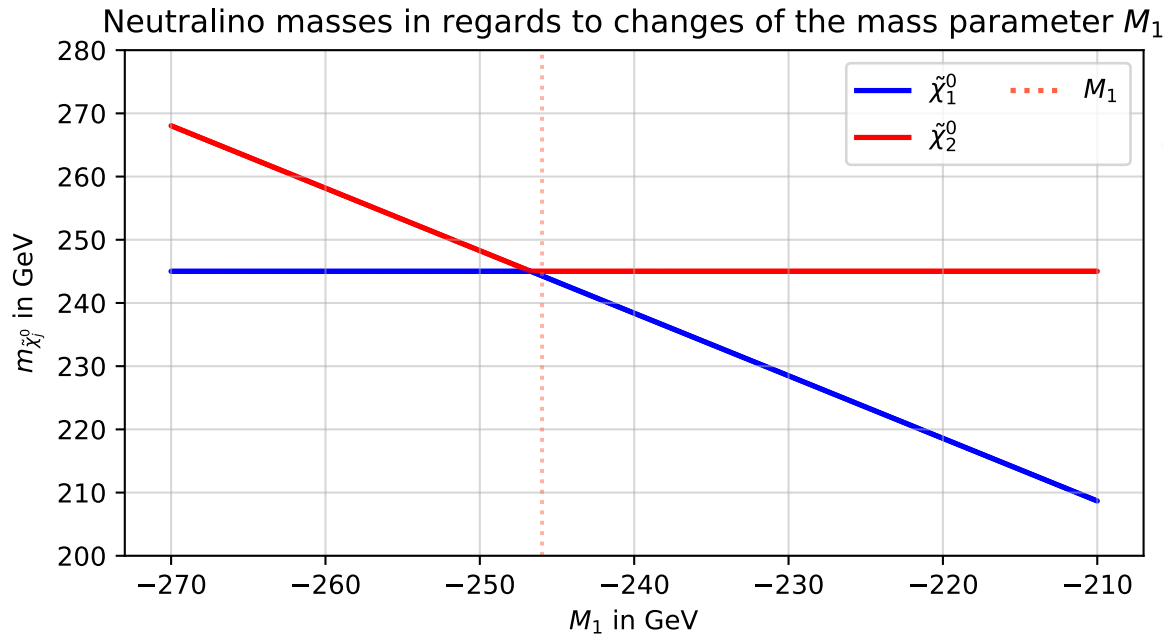


Relative distance of the upper and lower boundary of M_1 produced by the scan



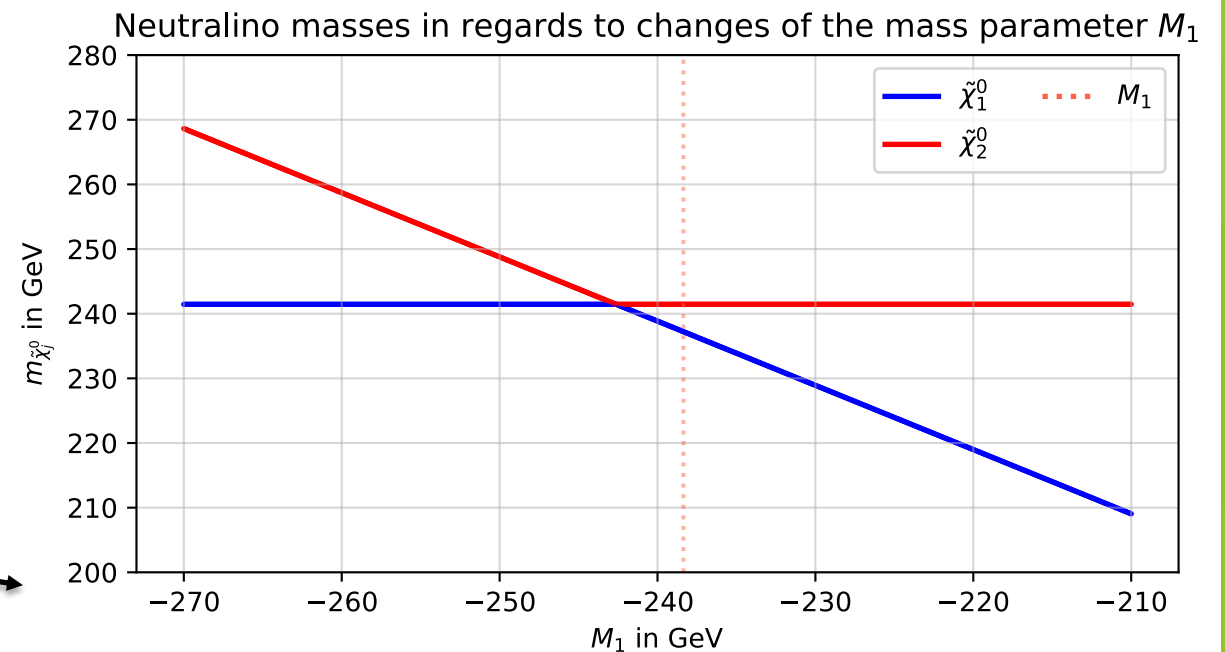
$$D_{\text{rel}} = \frac{M_{1, \text{scan}} - M_{1, \text{true}}}{M_{1, \text{true}}}$$

Neutralinos & M_1



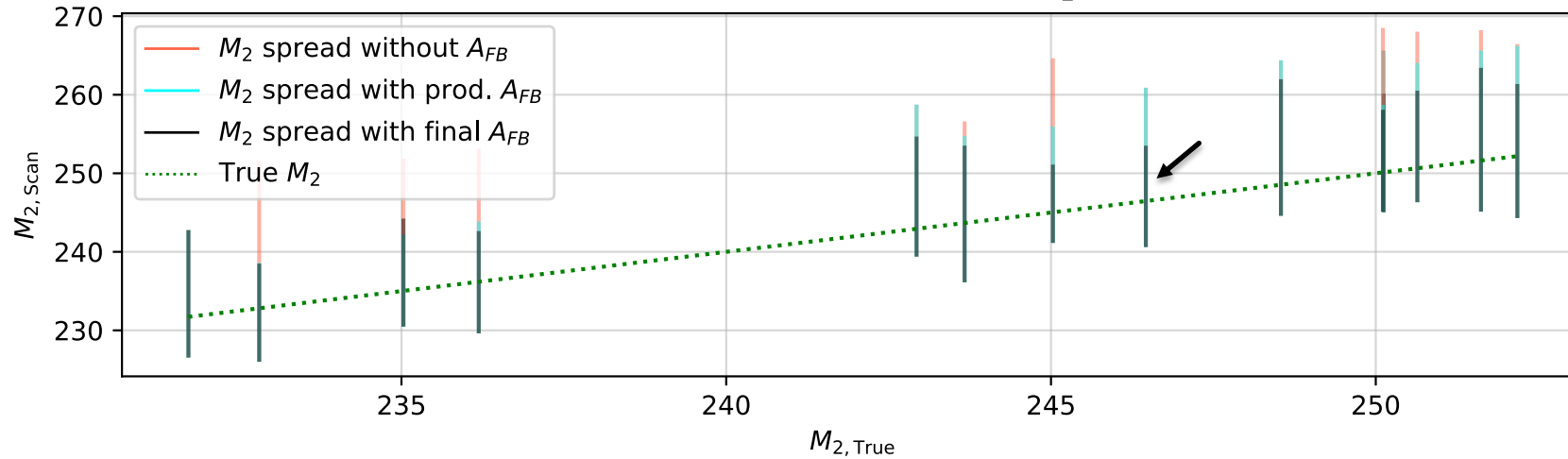
Badly reconstructed point (red arrow): M_1 where neutralino masses similar to each other
→ larger error

Example point (black arrow): M_1 where neutralino masses can be distinguished very well → smaller error

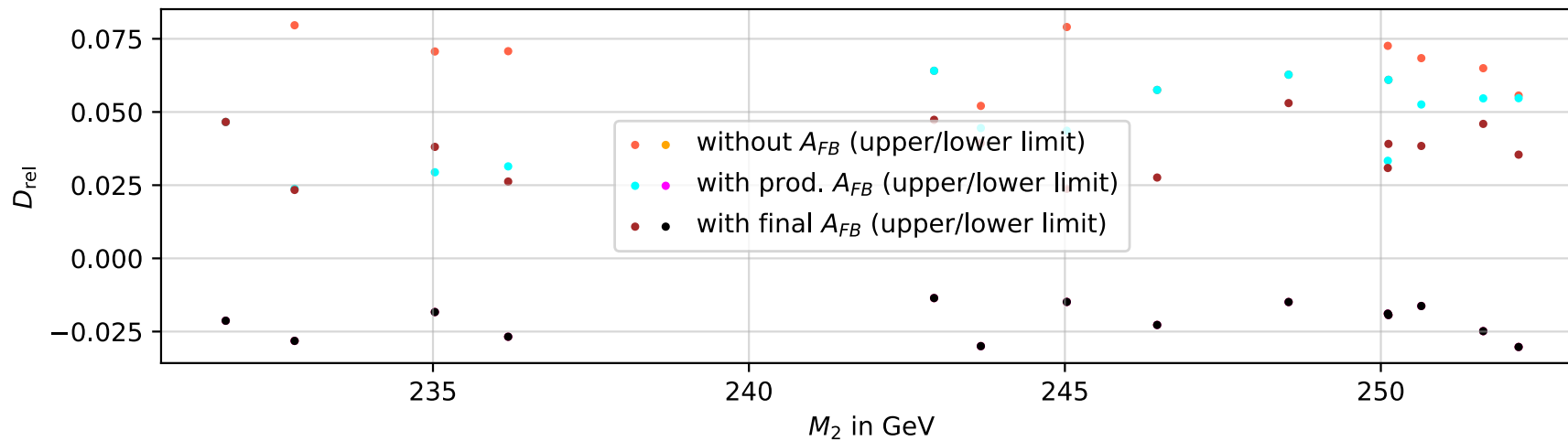


Results for M_2

Parameter scan results of M_2



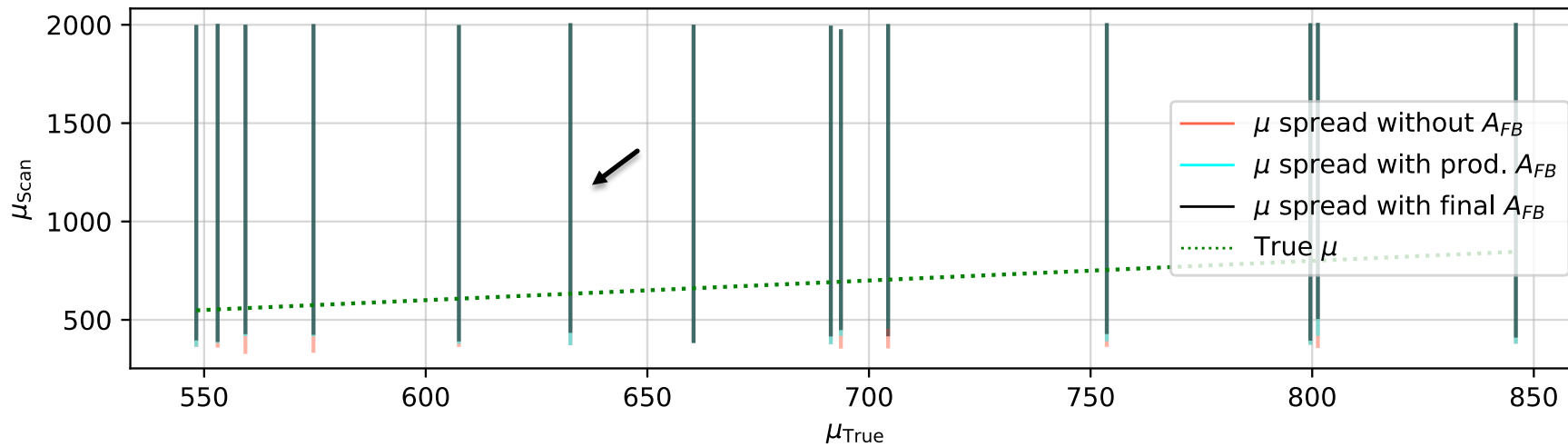
Relative distance of the upper and lower boundary of M_2 produced by the scan



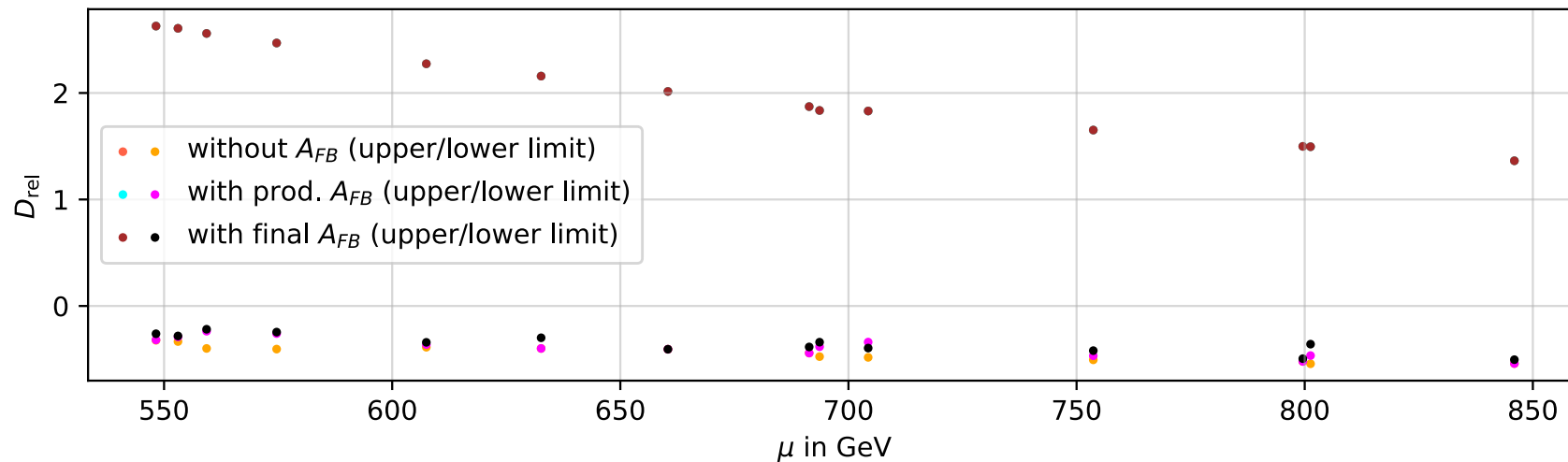
$$D_{\text{rel}} = \frac{M_{2, \text{scan}} - M_{2, \text{true}}}{M_{2, \text{true}}}$$

Results for μ

Parameter scan results of μ



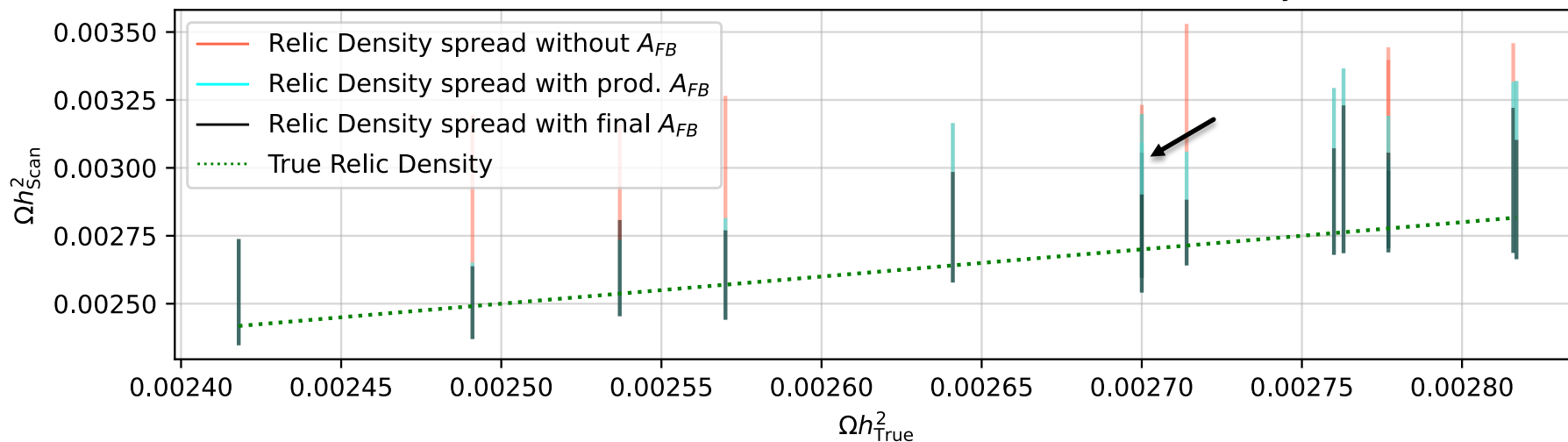
Relative distance of the upper and lower boundary of μ produced by the scan



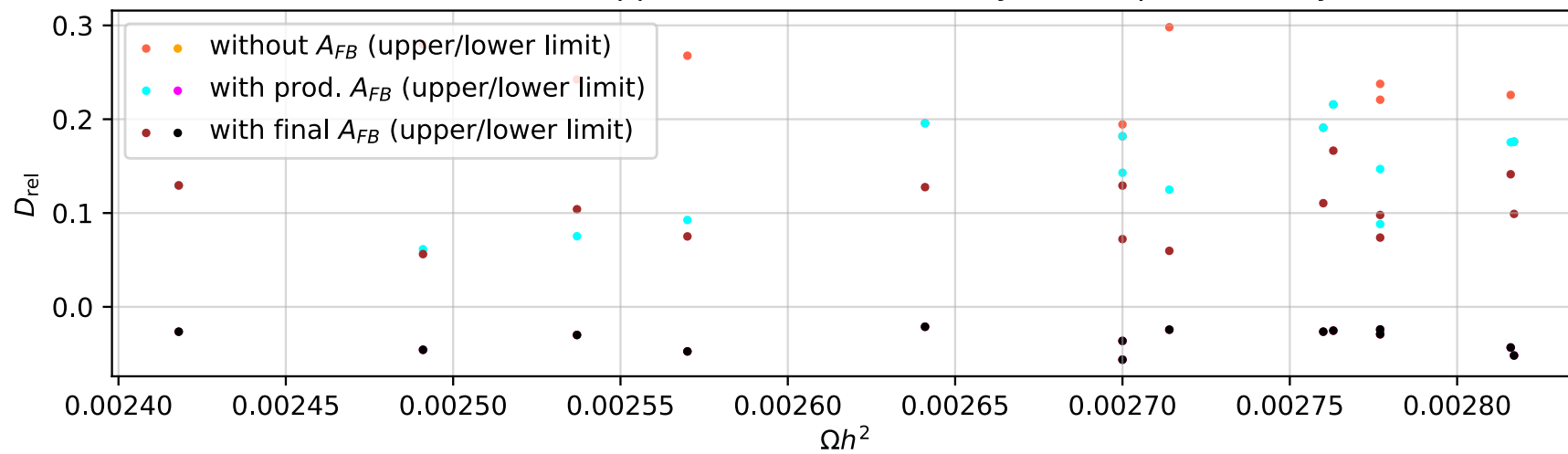
$$D_{\text{rel}} = \frac{\mu_{\text{scan}} - \mu_{\text{true}}}{\mu_{\text{true}}}$$

Results for DM relic density

Parameter scan results for the dark matter relic density



Relative distance of the upper and lower boundary of Ωh^2 produced by the scan



$$D_{rel} = \frac{\Omega h^2_{scan} - \Omega h^2_{true}}{\Omega h^2_{true}}$$

Conclusion & Outlook

- Goal: Reconstruct DM with e^+e^- measurements
- Relevant parameters reconstructed with accuracy of $\sim 5\%$
- DM reconstructed with accuracy of $\sim 15\%$
- Including an additional measurement leads to improved accuracy
- Next steps:
 - Study other datasets or other scenarios
 - Improve \sqrt{S} to get a higher crosssection and thus an even higher accuracy
 - For reliable interpretation of analysis, experimental uncertainty on A_{FB} is needed

Thank you for your
attention! 😊

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Questions?

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Backup

- Coefficients from crosssection formula:

$$c_5 = \int_C |Z|^2 (c_{LR}L^2 + c_{RL}R^2) f_3 - \int_C \text{Re}(Z) \tilde{N} c_{LR} L f_3$$

$$c_6 = \int_C |Z|^2 \{c_{LR}L^2(1 - 8L) + c_{RL}R^2(1 - 8L) + 16L^2(c_{LR}L^2 + c_{RL}R^2)\} (f_1 + f_2 + f_3)$$

$$- \int_C \text{Re}(Z) \tilde{N} c_{LR} L (1 - 4L) (2f_1 + f_3) + \int_C G^2 (c_{LR} + c_{RL}) (f_1 + f_2 + f_3)$$

$$- \int_C \text{Re}(Z) G^8 \{c_{RL}R + c_{LR}L(1 - 4L)\} (f_1 + f_2 + f_3) + \int_C \tilde{N}^2 c_{LR} f_1$$

$$+ \int_C G \tilde{N} 4 c_{LR} (2f_1 + f_3)$$

$$c_1 = \int_C |Z|^2 \{c_{LR}L^2 f_2 + c_{RL}R^2 f_1\}$$

$$c_2 = \int_C |Z|^2 \{c_{LR}L^2(1 - 4L)(2f_2 + f_3) + c_{RL}R^2(1 - 4R)(2f_1 + f_3)\}$$

$$- \int_C G \tilde{N} 4 \{c_{LR}L(2f_2 + f_3) + c_{RL}R(2f_1 + f_3)\} - \int_C \text{Re}(Z) \tilde{N} c_{LR} L f_3$$

$$c_3 = \int_C |Z|^2 (c_{LR}L^2 f_1 + c_{RL}R^2 f_2) - \int_C Z \tilde{N} 2 c_{LR} L f_1 + \int_C \tilde{N}^2 c_{LR} f_1$$

$$c_4 = \int_C |Z|^2 (1 - 4L) \{c_{LR}L^2(2f_1 + f_3) + c_{RL}R^2(2f_2 + f_3)\} + \int_C \tilde{N}^2 2 c_{LR} f_1$$

$$+ \int_C \text{Re}(Z) \tilde{N} c_{LR} L \{-4f_1 - f_3 + 4L(2f_1 + f_3)\} + \int_C G \tilde{N} 4 c_{LR} (2f_1 + f_3)$$

$$- \int_C G \text{Re}(Z) 4 \{c_{LR}L(2f_1 + f_3) + c_{RL}R(2f_2 + f_3)\}$$

Backup

$$m_{\tilde{\chi}_{1,2}^{\pm}}^2 = \frac{1}{2}(M_2^2 + \mu^2 + 2m_W^2 \mp \Delta c)$$

$$\Delta c = \left[(M_2^2 - \mu^2)^2 + 4m_W^4 \cos^2 2\beta + 4m_W^2(M_2^2 + \mu^2) + 8m_W^2 M_2 \mu \sin 2\beta \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Table 5.1: **Comparison of the average errors of the reconstruction of $m_{\tilde{\nu}}$, M_1 , M_2 , μ and Ωh^2 of the three different methods.** The average errors of the upper and lower bound of $m_{\tilde{\nu}}$, M_1 , M_2 , μ and Ωh^2 from the three different methods are shown. The relative improvement of the methods with the A_{FB} in comparison to the method without A_{FB} is shown as well. All values are given in percent.

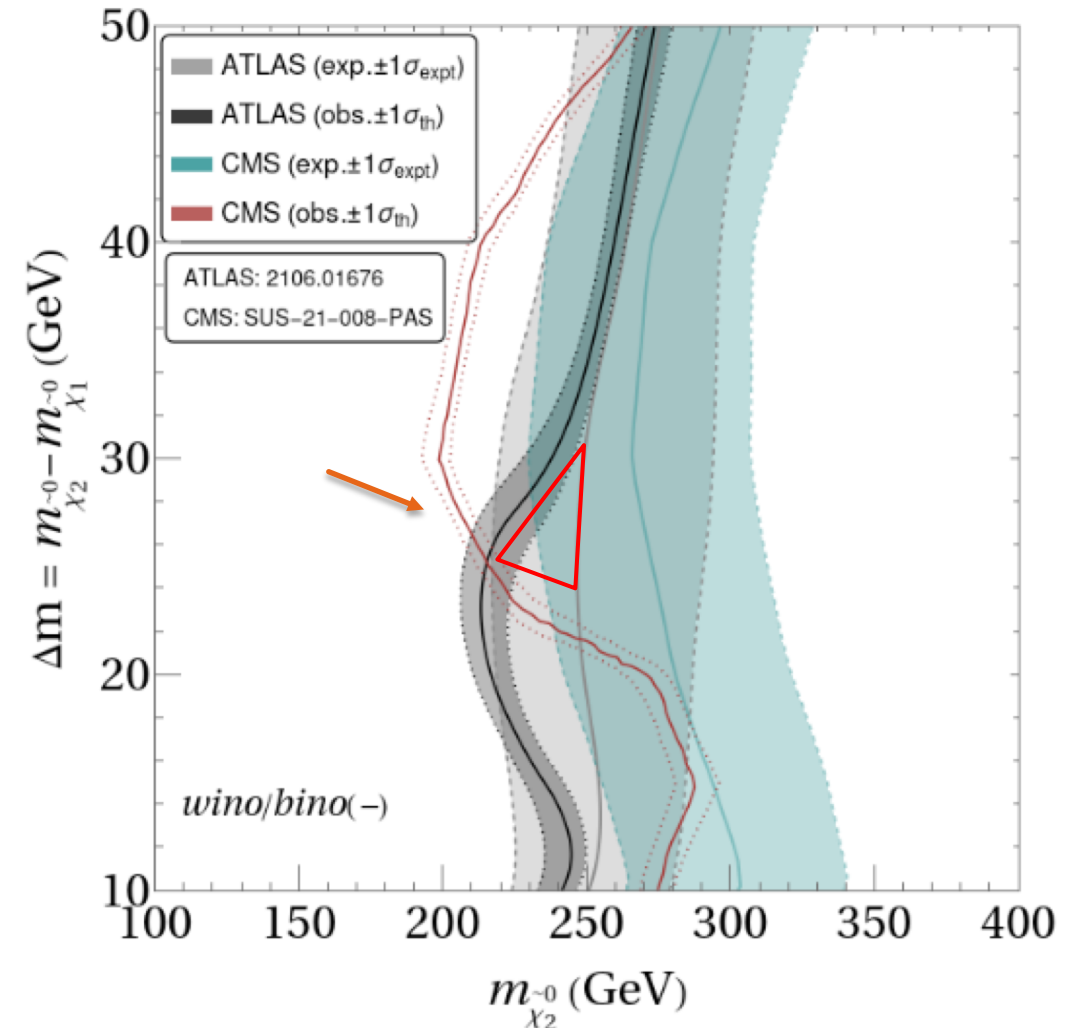
		without A_{FB}	with prod. A_{FB}	rel. improv.	with final A_{FB}	rel.improv.
$m_{\tilde{\nu}}$	upper	5.7	1.4	75.4	0.6	89.5
	lower	5.4	1.4	74.1	0.7	87.0
M_1	upper	0.9	0.9	0	0.9	0
	lower	3.1	2.4	22.6	2.0	35.5
M_2	upper	6.5	4.7	27.7	3.7	43.1
	lower	2.1	2.1	0	2.1	0
μ	upper	201.9	201.9	0	201.9	0
	lower	44.0	38.8	11.8	35.3	19.8
Ωh^2	upper	21.8	14.3	34.4	10.3	52.8
	lower	3.5	3.5	0	3.5	0

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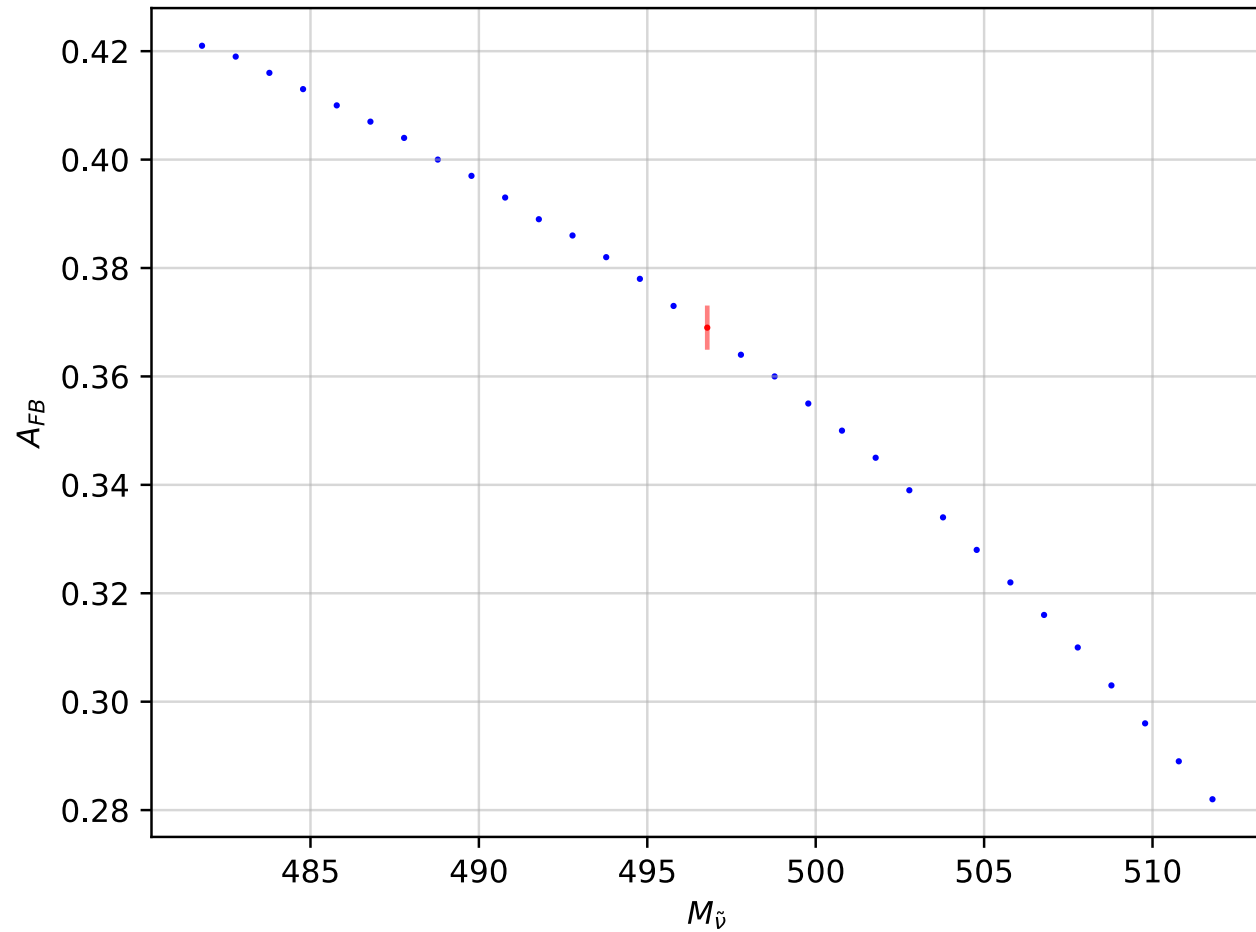
- Bino/Wino(-): Bino-wino DM with $\mu \times M_1 < 0$

$$100 \text{ GeV} \leq -M_1 \leq 400 \text{ GeV}, \quad |M_1| \leq M_2 \leq 1.4 |M_1|$$
$$1.2 |M_1| \leq \mu \leq 2 \text{ TeV}, \quad 2 \leq \tan \beta \leq 60$$
$$100 \text{ GeV} \leq m_{\tilde{l}_L} = m_{\tilde{l}_R} \leq 1.5 \text{ TeV}, \quad M_A = 3 \text{ TeV}$$

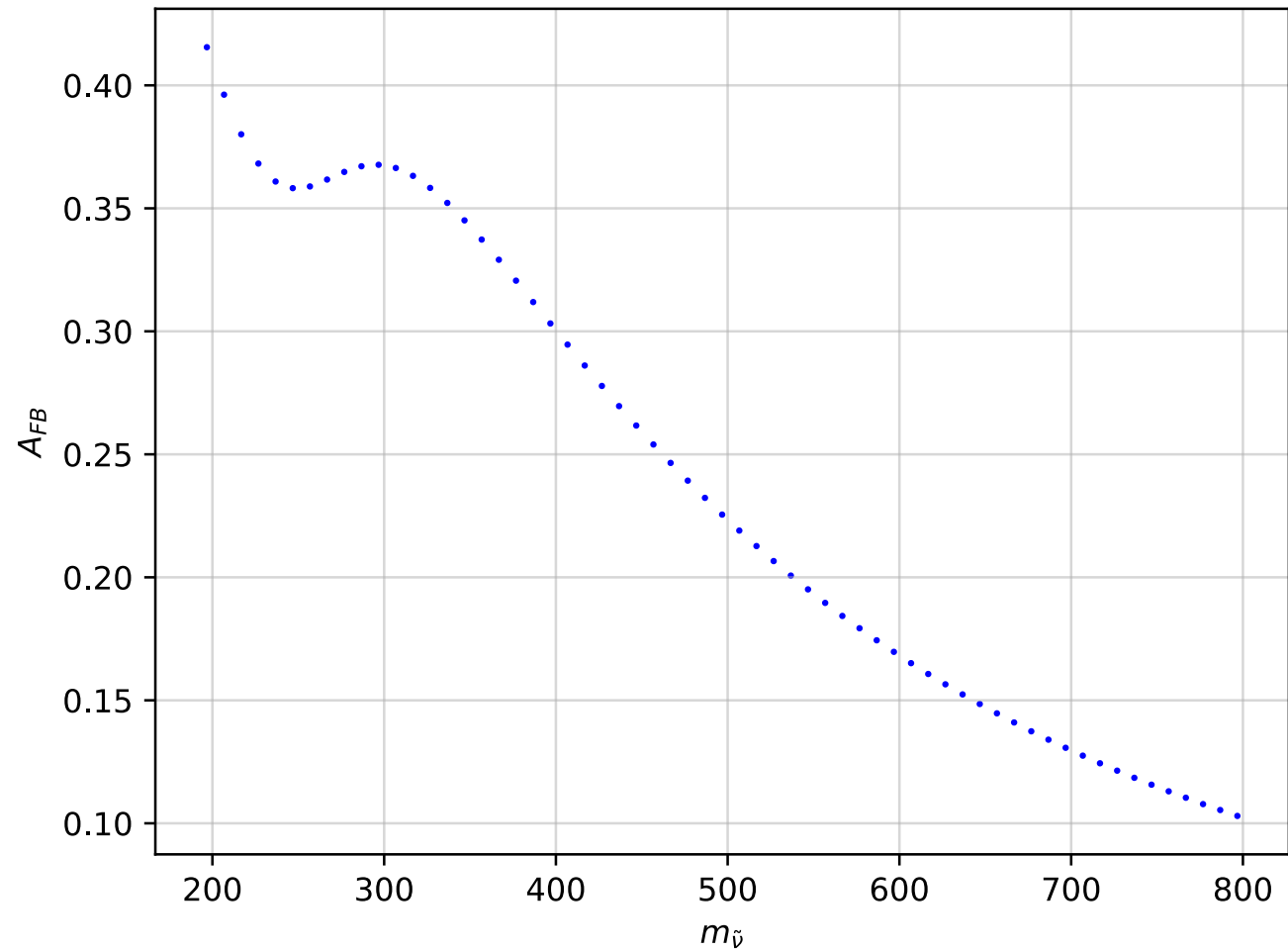
- Some excess of events \rightarrow Search for points in this excess



Final Asymmetry, 550, -.8,+.6

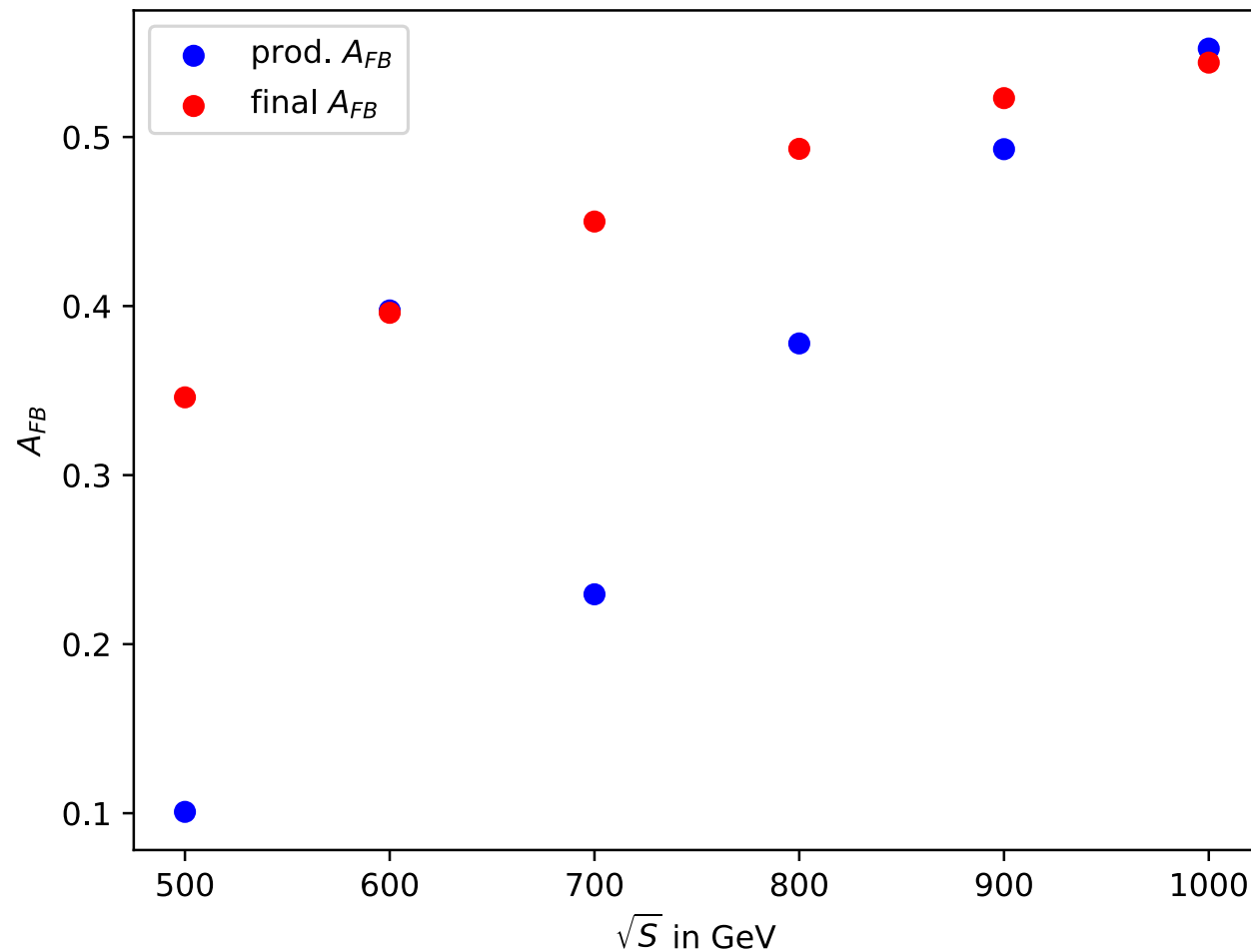


Asymmetry overview

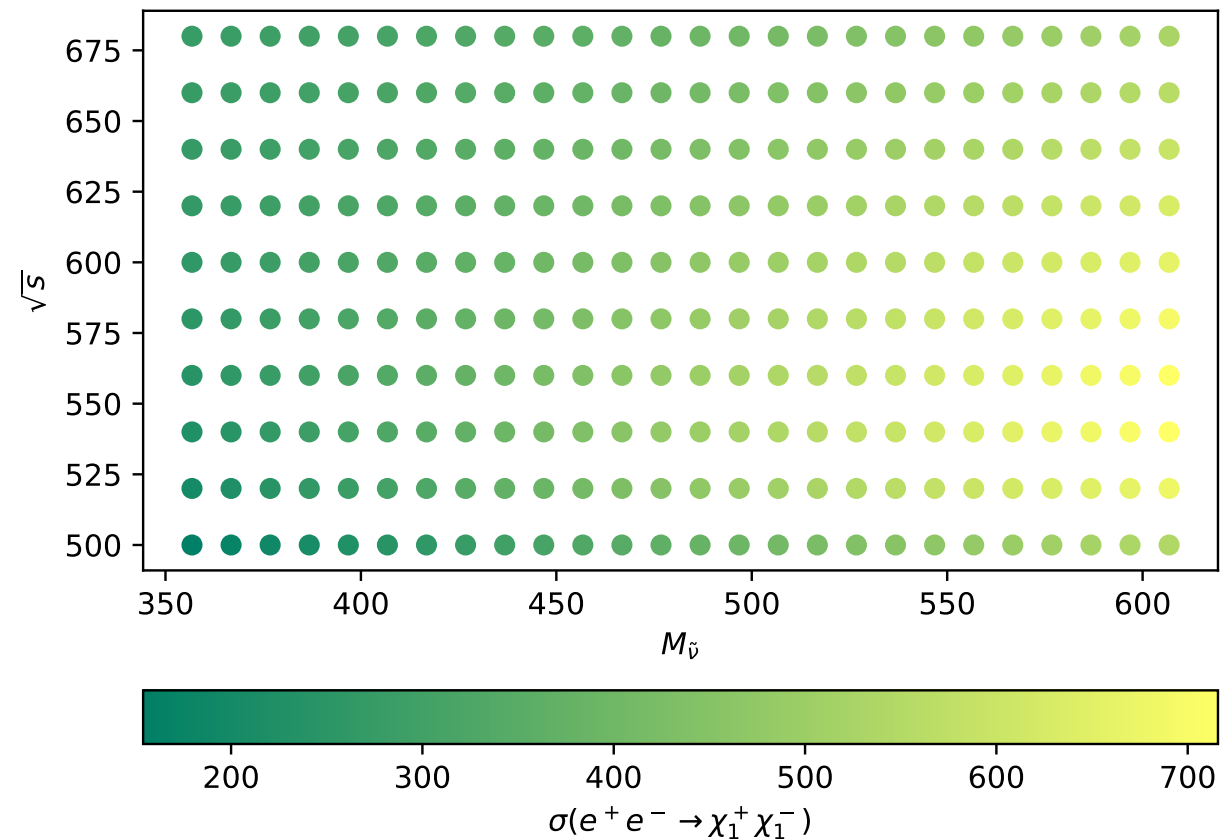
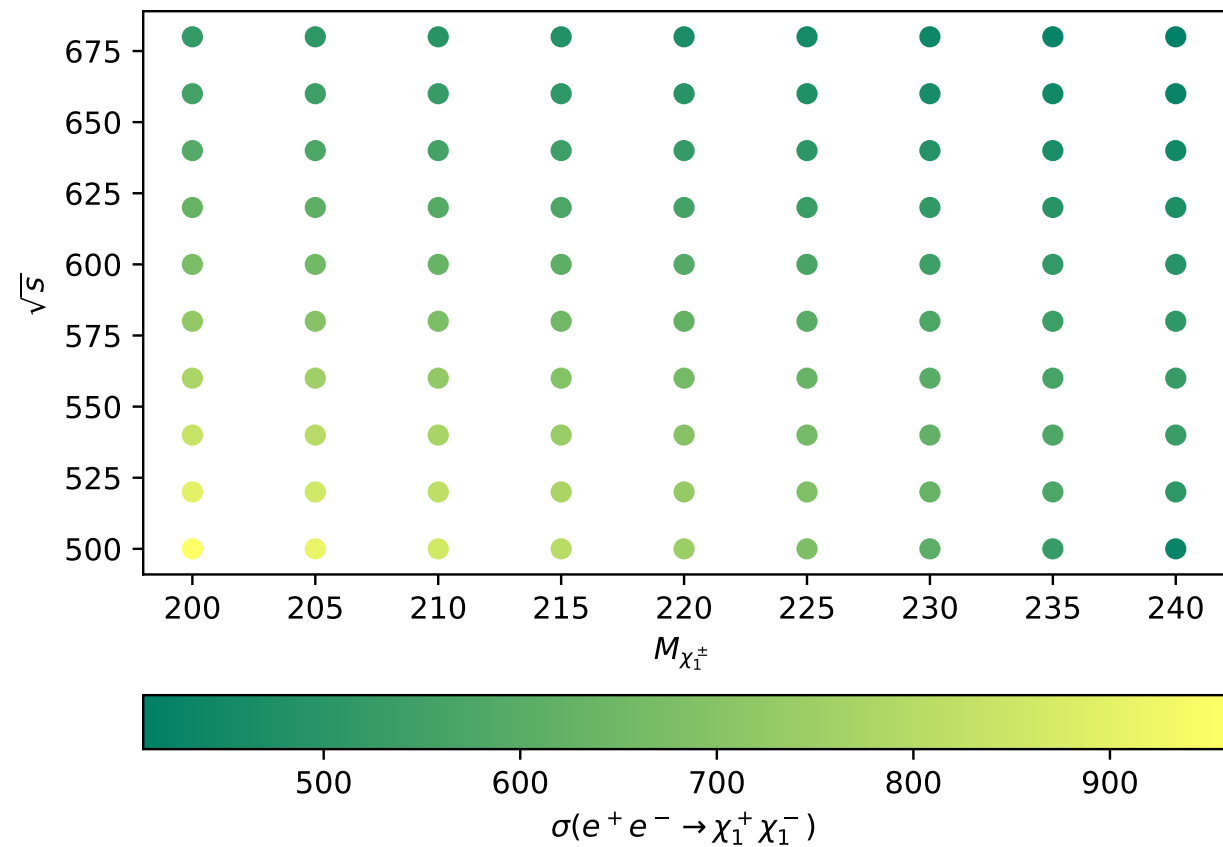


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- The prod. A_{FB} converges to the final A_{FB} with higher \sqrt{S}

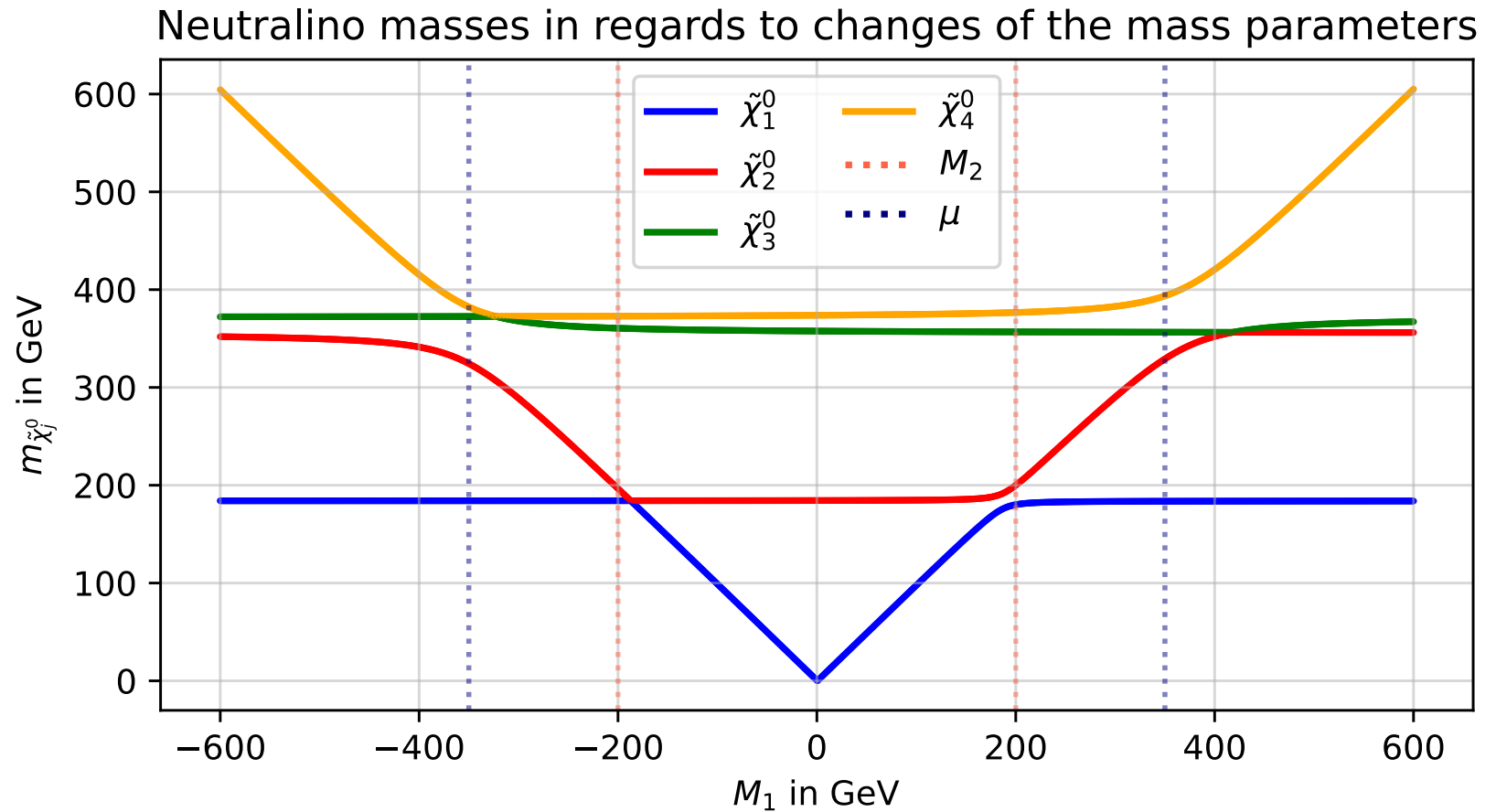


Backup



Mass hierarchy

- Particles are assigned by mass hierarchy
- Hierarchy determines sensitivity
- $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ is a good candidate for DM



Steps of the analysis

- Chargino production crosssection $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^+ \tilde{\chi}_1^-)$ and chargino and neutralino masses $(m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm}, m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0})$ are measured for the allowed parameter points
- Left and right chargino mixing angles $\phi_{L,R}$ are determined
- The parameters (M_1, M_2, μ) are reconstructed with uncertainties via a scan over the parameter space
 - Uncertainty in $M_{\tilde{\nu}}$ is determined via A_{FB}
- DM relic density (Ωh^2) is calculated and compared to the relic density gained from the true values

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