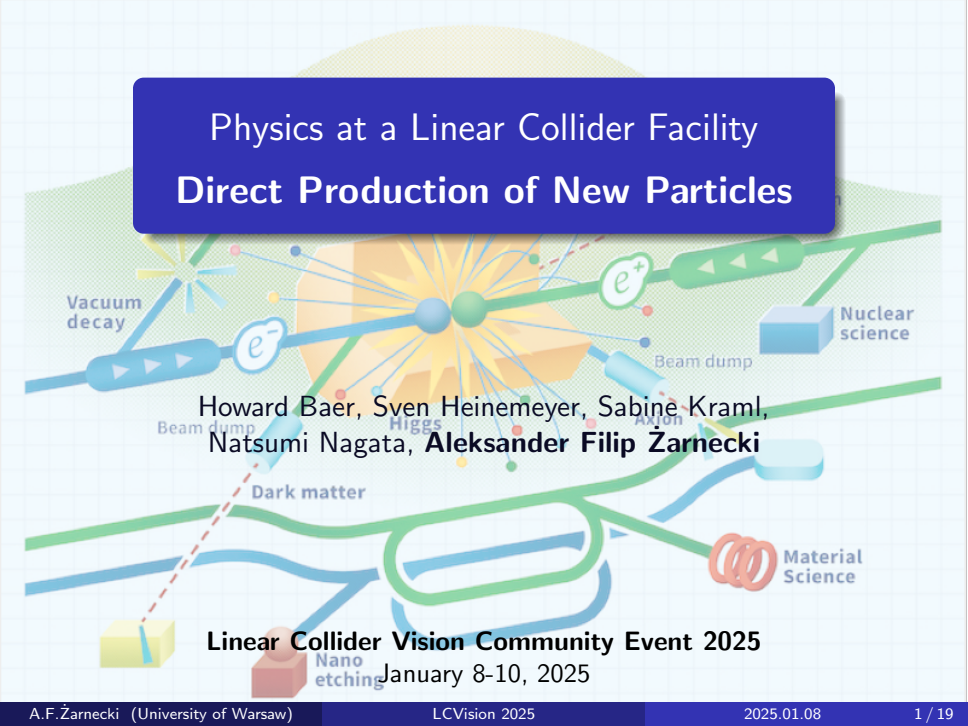


# Physics at a Linear Collider Facility

## Direct Production of New Particles



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## Outline:

- 1 Natural SUSY
- 2 Exotic scalars
- 3 Dark Matter
- 4 Conclusions

Selected from the current contents of the LCVision document section

# Light, natural higgsinos at a LC

- In SUSY, minimization of scalar potential relates weak scale to parameters
- naturalness: SUSY preserving  $\mu$  parameter  $\sim 100\text{--}350$  GeV
- $\Rightarrow W, Z, h,$  higgsinos  $\sim 100\text{--}350$  GeV
- other sparticle contributions suppressed by loop factor: can be much heavier

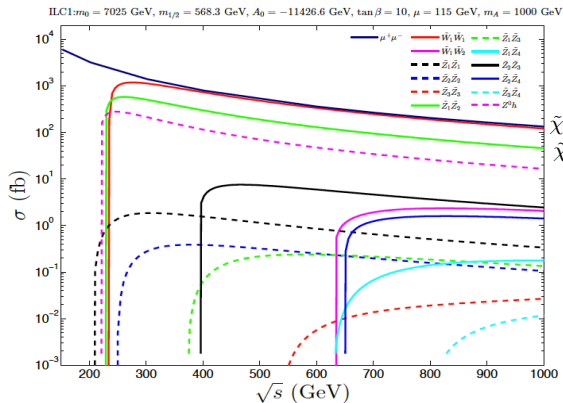
$$\frac{m_Z^2}{2} = \frac{m_{H_d}^2 + \Sigma_d^d - (m_{H_u}^2 + \Sigma_u^u) \tan^2 \beta}{\tan^2 \beta - 1} - \mu^2$$

$$\simeq -m_{H_u}^2 - \Sigma_u^u(\tilde{t}_{1,2}) - \mu^2.$$

for review, see: [arXiv:2002.03013](https://arxiv.org/abs/2002.03013)

Note: ATLAS/CMS each have 2-sigma excess in higgsino pair search channel!

## Smoking gun signature: light higgsinos at ILC: ILC is Higgs/higgsino factory!



$$\sigma(\text{higgsino}) \gg \sigma(Zh)$$

3–15 GeV higgsino mass  
gaps no problem  
in clean ILC environment

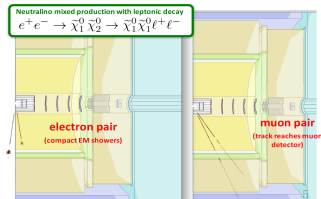
HB, Barger, Mickelson, Mustafayev, Tata  
arXiv:1404:7510

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 + (\ell^+ \ell^- \tilde{\chi}_1^0)$$

measure  $m(\ell^+ \ell^-) < m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$  and  $E(\ell^+ \ell^-)$

How do these signals look in the detector? (1)

$\sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV}$

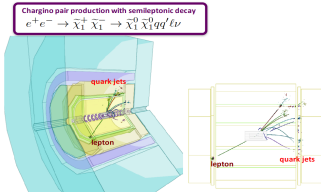


$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^+ \tilde{\chi}_1^- \rightarrow (\ell \nu \ell \tilde{\chi}_1^0) + (q \bar{q}' \tilde{\chi}_1^0)$$

soft visible particles since small higgsino mass gaps

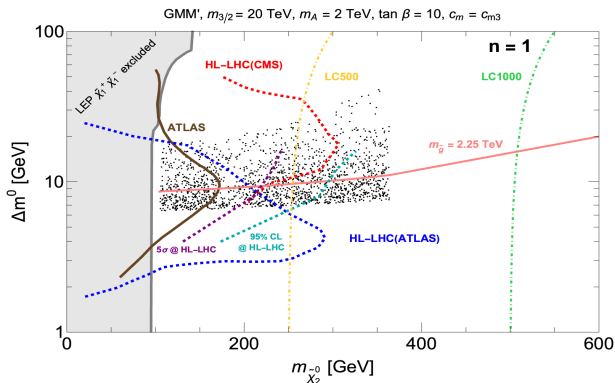
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## Natural higgsino discovery plane

Whereas HL-LHC can see only a portion of higgsino discovery plane, a LC with  $rs > 2m(\text{higgsino})$  can see all of it!

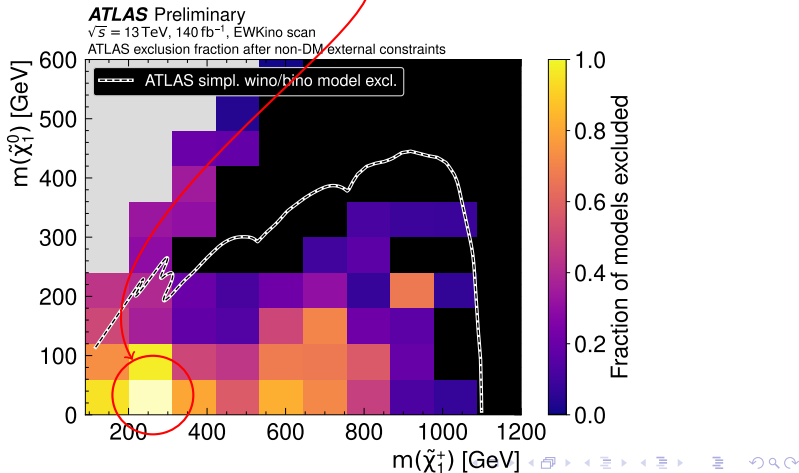


(higher density of dots: more theoretically plausible)

arXiv:2007.09252

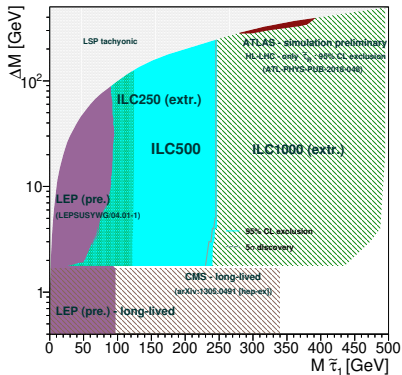
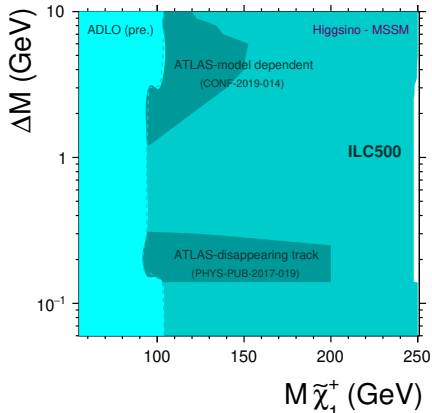
ATLAS pMSSM-19 (-7) scan in  $M_{LSP}$  vs.  $M_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm}$  (ATLAS-CONF-2023-055)

Only this one is actually excluded !



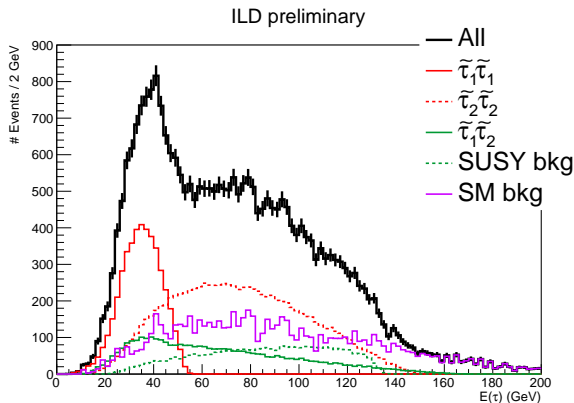
## ILC projections on Higgsinos and $\tilde{\tau}$ s

From arXiv:2002.01239



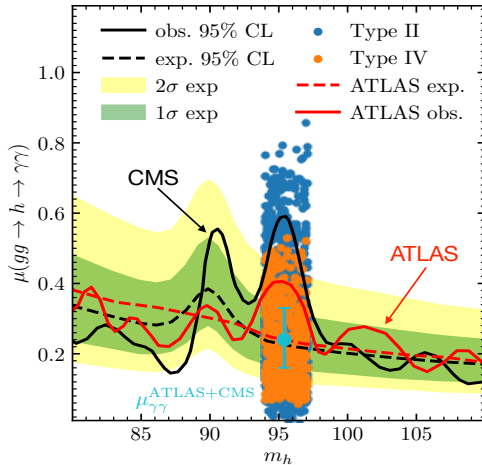
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Example results from the  $\tilde{\tau}$  study at the ILC

# LHC: CMS + ATLAS excess in $\gamma\gamma$ channel at 95 GeV, interpretation in 2HDM + singlet (S2HDM)

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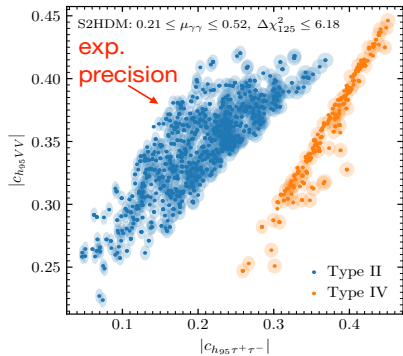
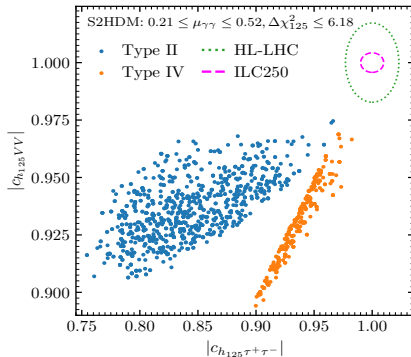
Example interpretation:  
S2HDM,  
type II and IV

⇒ Good description  
in extended Higgs  
sectors with an  
additional doublet  
and a singlet

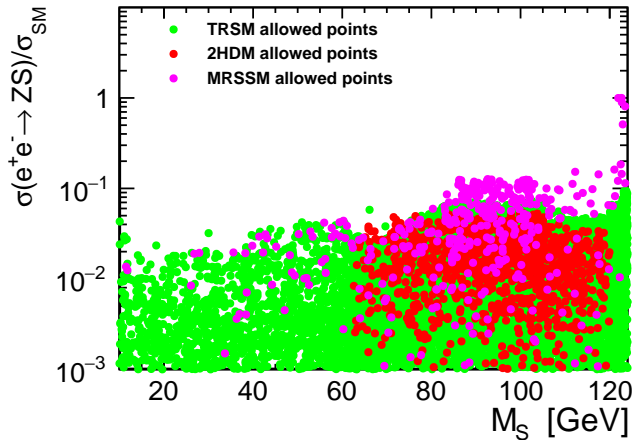
# Prospects for coupling measurements of h125 and h95 at an e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> Higgs factory

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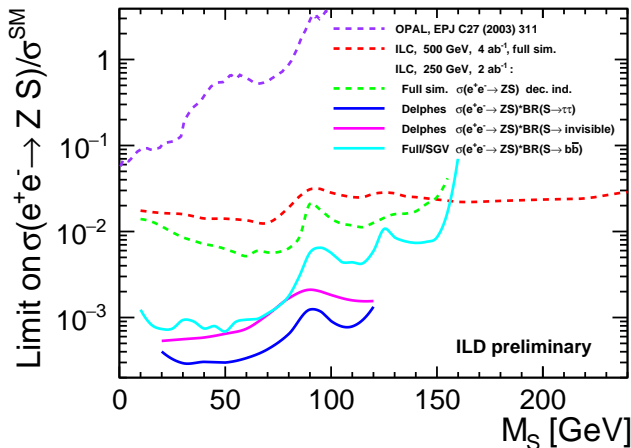
[T. Biekötter, S. Heinemeyer, G. W. '23]



⇒ Precision measurements of the couplings of both h125 and h95  
High sensitivity to the realised physics scenario (Yukawa type, ...)



ILC/ILD results on the Exotic scalar sensitivity in different decay channels



# Electroweak-charged dark matter

Quantum numbers				DM could decay into	$M_{\text{DM}}$ in TeV		$M_{\text{DM}^\pm} - M_{\text{DM}}$ in MeV	$\sigma_{\text{SI}}$ in $10^{-46} \text{ cm}^2$
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( $\rightarrow$ : Sommerfeld enhancement)

The neutral component of an electroweak multiplet can be a DM candidate.

Thermal relic agrees with the observed DM density for a **TeV-scale mass**.

Lower masses are also allowed:

- Non-thermal production
- Rest of the DM density could be some other species

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- Direct detection rate tends to be suppressed since the scattering is induced at loop level. Some of the candidates can be probed in future DM direct detection experiments.

J. Hisano, K. Ishiwata, N. Nagata, JHEP **1506**, 097 (2015).

- Indirect detection is also promising, though it may suffer from uncertainty of DM profile.

V. Lefranc, E. Moulin, P. Panci, F. Sala, and J. Silk, JCAP **1609**, 043 (2016).

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- The charged-neutral mass splitting is very small, as it is induced by electroweak loop diagrams. This makes it difficult to probe this DM candidate at the LHC.

**Disappearing track searches** can have sensitivities to some cases (e.g., triplet).

- Linear colliders can probe EW-charged DM up to  $M_{\text{DM}} = \sqrt{s}/2$ .



