

# SUSY **Neutral** Naturalness: the Triple Top

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*Confronting Naturalness:  
from LHC to future colliders*

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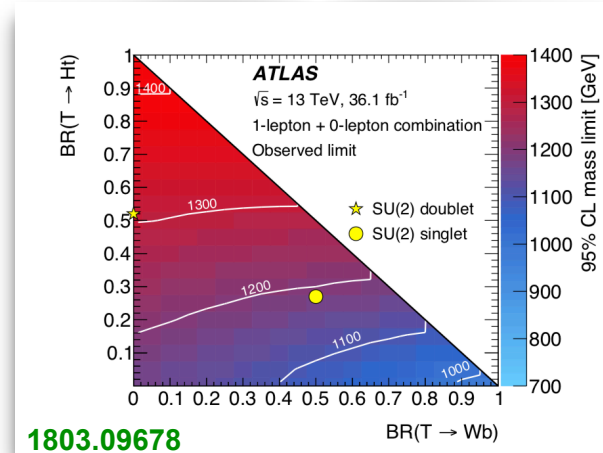
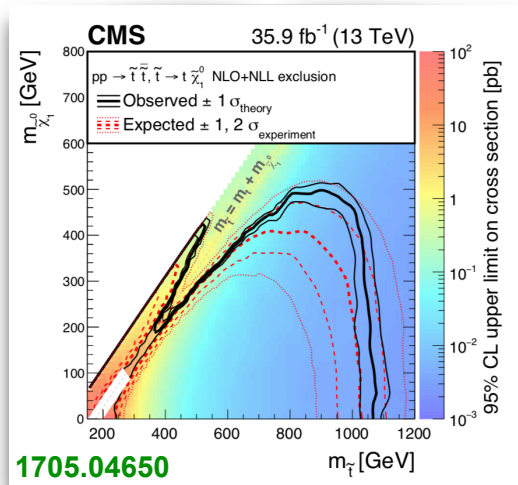
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*with H.C.Cheng, L.Li, C.Verhaaren (UC Davis)*

# Introduction

- So far, the LHC has shown no signs of colored top partners up to  $\sim 1$  TeV

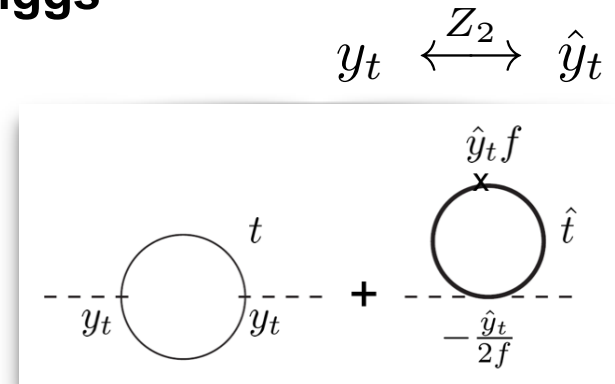
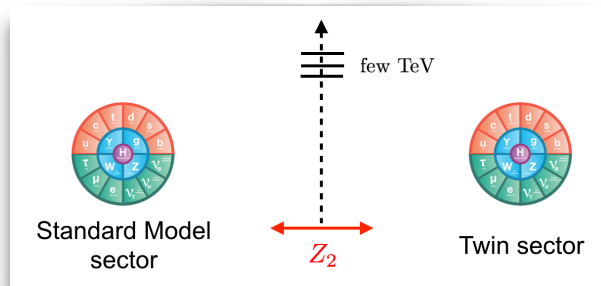


- These bounds have caveats...
- ... but they make the following question worth taking seriously:

What if the top partners **do not have** color charges?

# Neutral Naturalness

- Symmetry-based solutions to the hierarchy problem with **color-less top partners**
- First and best-known example is the **Twin Higgs**

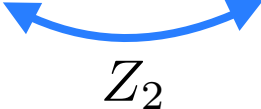


Chacko, Goh, Harnik 2005

What about **SUSY incarnations** of neutral naturalness?

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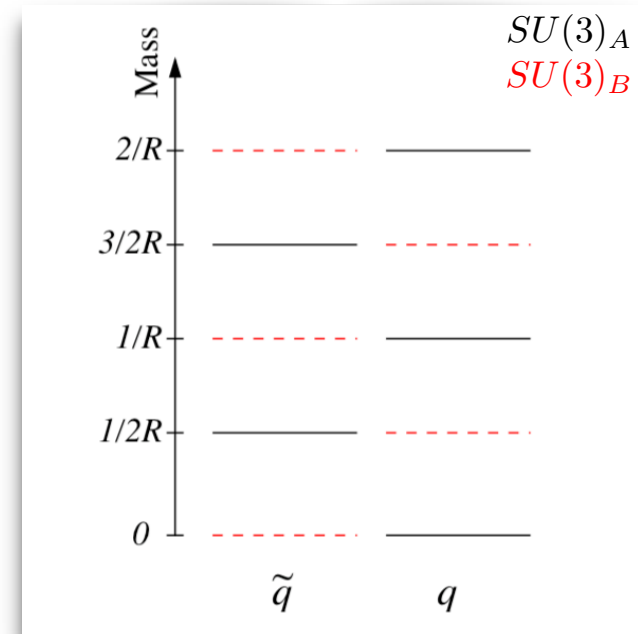
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Goh, Harnik  
[hep-ph/0609152](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0609152)

- Orbifold extra dimension with Scherk-Schwarz SUSY breaking, only SM fermions + folded scalars have **zero modes**
- An **accidental SUSY** is preserved
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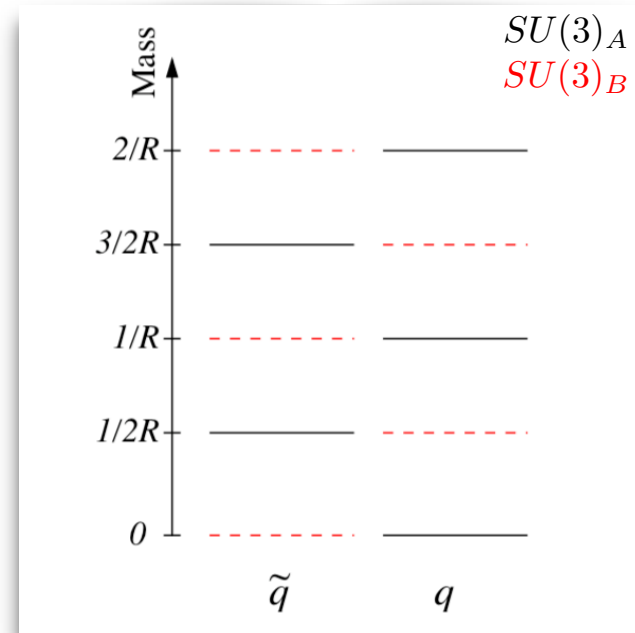
  
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Cohen, Craig, Lou,  
Pinner 1508.05396

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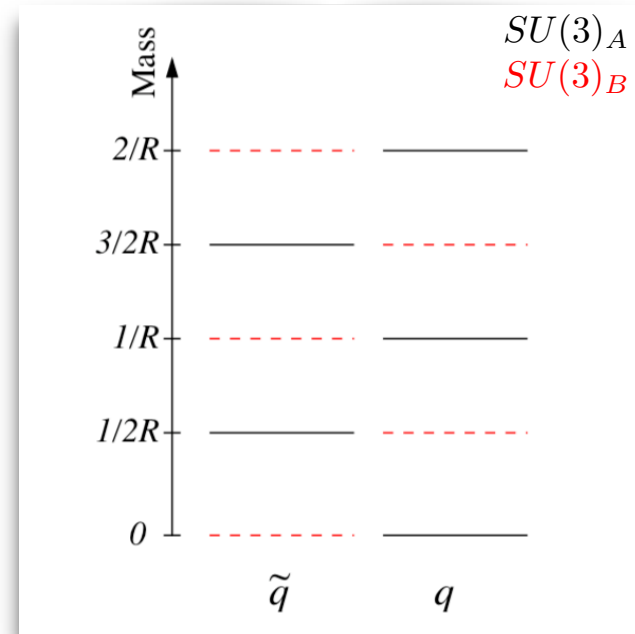
Can we build a model with accidental SUSY in pure 4D?

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e.g. Curtin, Verhaaren  
1506.06141

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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{FSUSY}} \sim y_t q_A H u_A^c + y_t^2 |\tilde{q}_B H|^2 + y_t^2 |\tilde{u}_B^c|^2 |H|^2$$

In Folded SUSY, folded stops **carry SM electroweak charges**

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Can we provide the first singlet scalar top partner?

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Cheng, Li, Salvioni,  
Verhaaren 1803.03651

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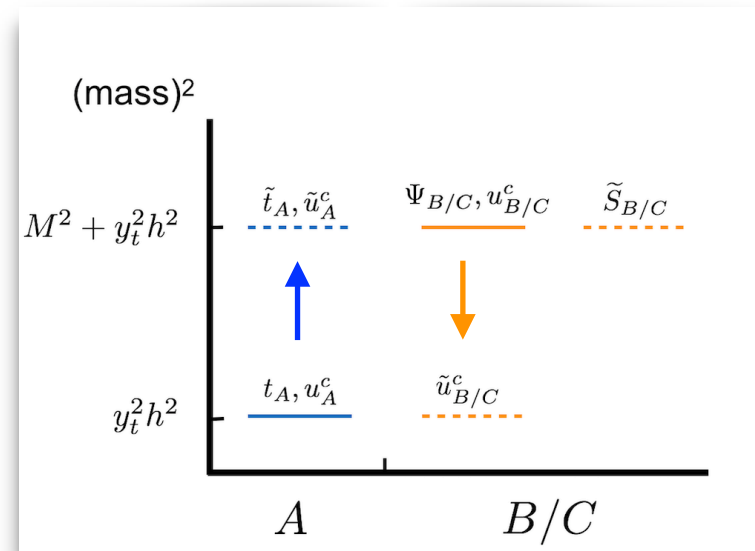
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**accidental SUSY**

for  
 $\tilde{m} \rightarrow M$   
 $\omega \rightarrow 0$

# A Tripled Top model

- Moderate departures from accidental SUSY limit  $\tilde{m} = M, \quad \omega = 0$   
**do not spoil naturalness:** for example

$$\delta m_H^2 \approx -\frac{N_c y_t^2}{8\pi^2} \omega^2 \ln \frac{M^2}{\omega^2}$$

Not worrisome as long as  $\omega \ll \text{TeV}$

- Hypercharge assignments for hidden fields are **free**,  
only requirement is invariance of Yukawas

$$W = y_t (Q_A H u_A^c + Q_B H u_B^c + Q_C H u_C^c)$$



We can choose

$$Q_{B,C} \sim \mathbf{2}_{-1/2}$$

$$u_{B,C}^c \sim \mathbf{1}_0$$

**SM-singlet scalar  
top partners**



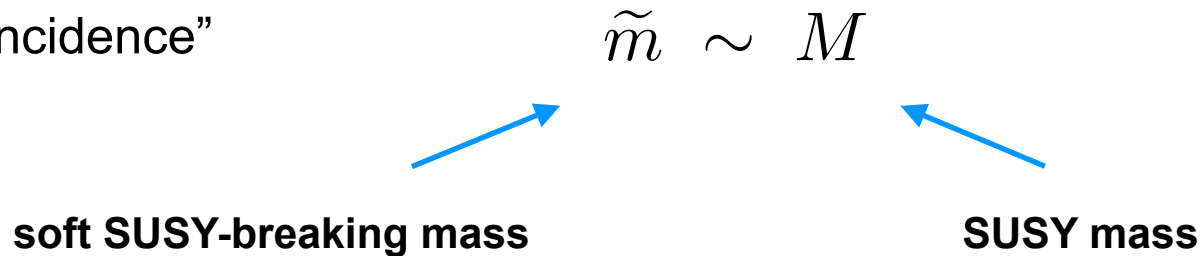
# Necessary ingredients

- A particular structure for the soft masses

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I will discuss possible origins in next slide

- A “coincidence”



If no mechanism can explain it, **tuning**  $\sim \frac{\Delta^2}{M^2} \sim \text{few } \%$

$$(\Delta = \sqrt{M^2 - \tilde{m}^2})$$

$$M \sim \text{few TeV}$$

$$\Delta \sim \text{few} \times (100 \text{ GeV})$$

# The soft masses?

- Soft masses of equal size and opposite sign?

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## 1. First guess: $D$ -term of an extra $U(1)$ , charges +1 and -1

But then, Yukawas are not invariant  $W \ni y_t (Q_A H u_A^c + Q_B H u_B^c + Q_C H u_C^c)$

Insertions of  $U(1)$ -breaking field will spoil the  $Z_3$

## 2. Working model: exploit properties of strongly coupled SUSY gauge theories

Top fields are **composite mesons**  $P_i \bar{P}_j$  of s-confining SQCD

$$SU(N), \quad F = N + 1$$

Arkani-Hamed, Rattazzi  
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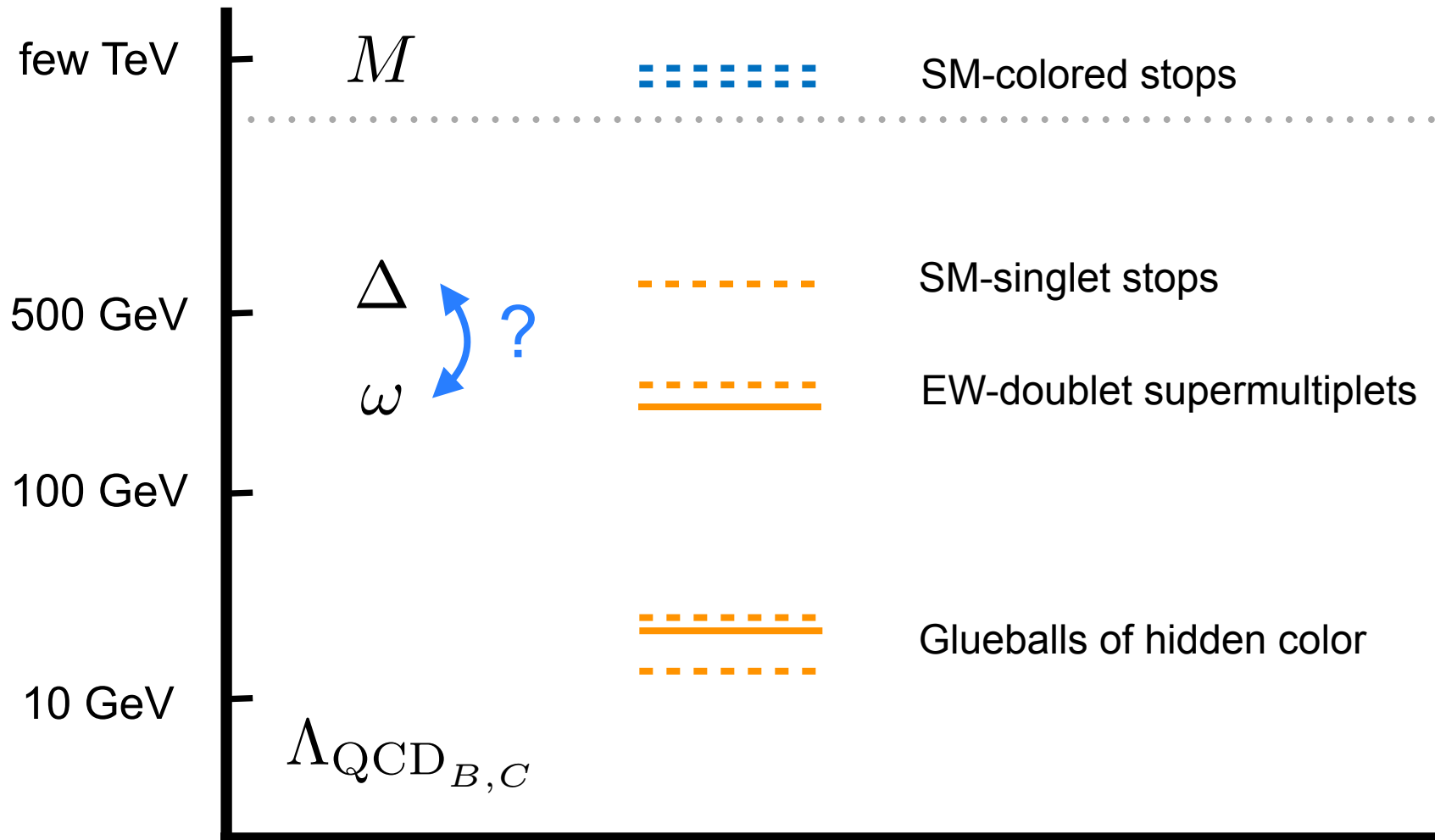
soft masses of IR composites

soft masses of UV constituents

# Phenomenology

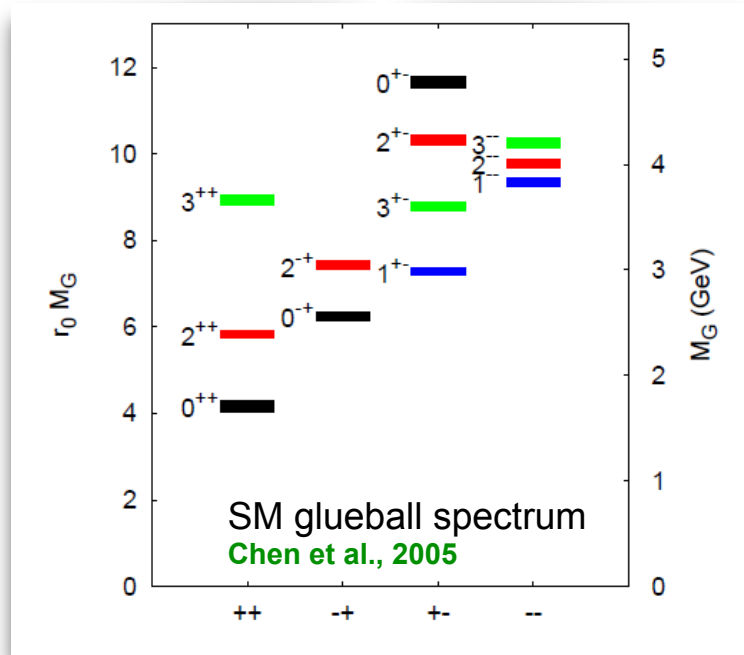
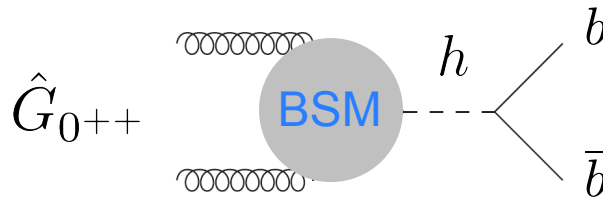
# Spectrum of BSM states

mass



# Hidden sector confinement

- Hidden QCD confines at few GeV
- No light matter, low-energy spectrum is made of **glueballs**
- Lightest glueball has  $J^{PC} = 0^{++}$ , decays to SM via mixing with the Higgs



$$c\tau_{0^{++}} \sim 1.2 \text{ m} \left( \frac{5 \text{ GeV}}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}_{B,C}}} \right)^7 \left( \frac{\omega}{500 \text{ GeV}} \right)^4 \left( \frac{\Delta}{300 \text{ GeV}} \right)^4 \left( \frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{\delta m} \right)^4$$

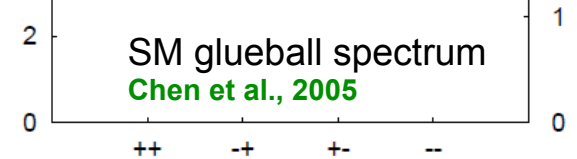
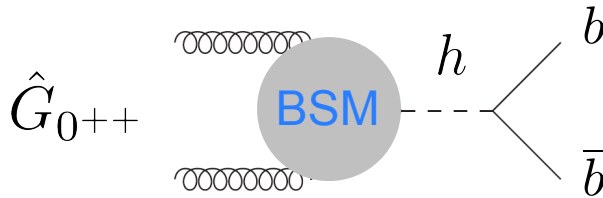
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# Hidden sector confinement

Assume hidden glueballs escape LHC detectors

Look for other, more robust signatures



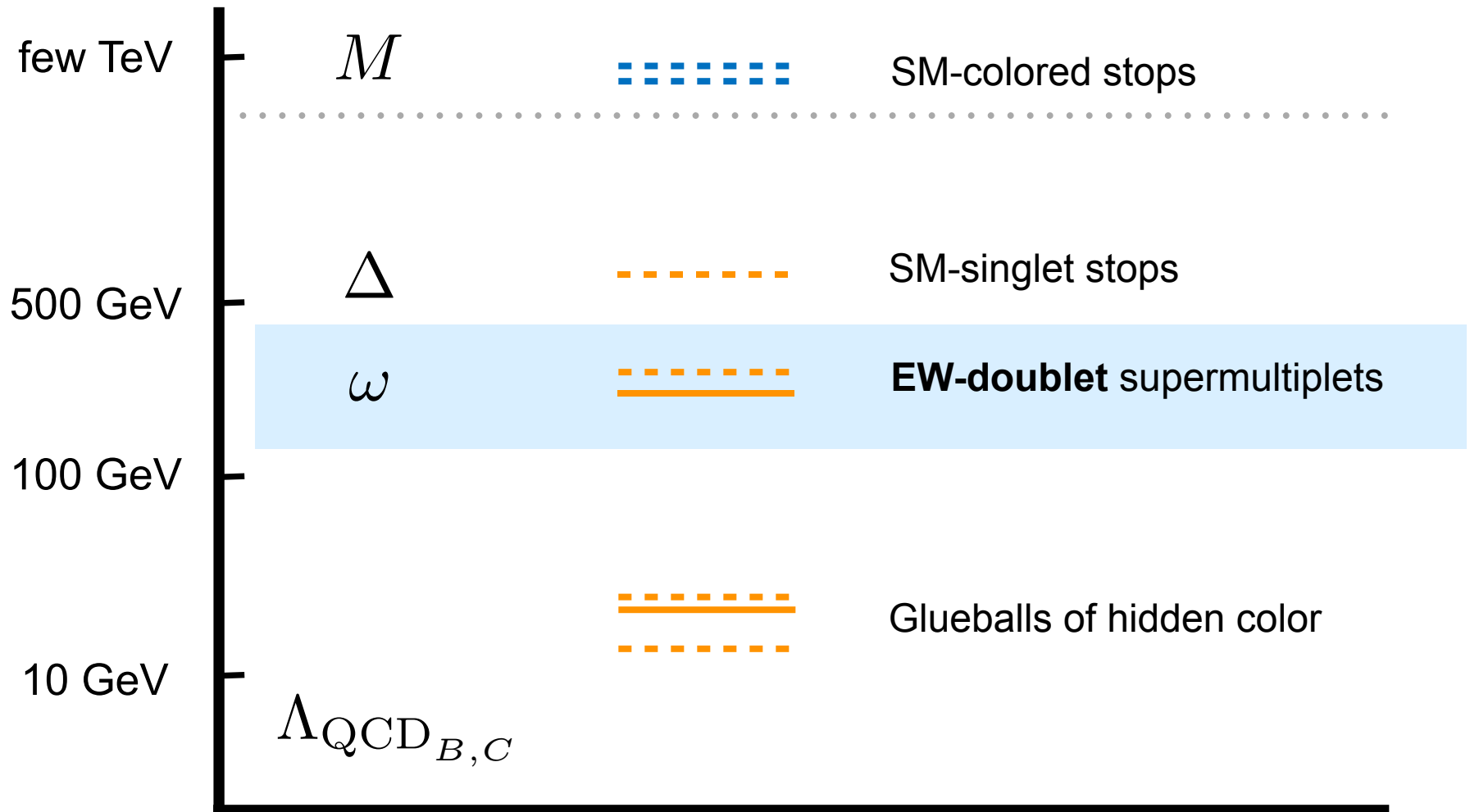
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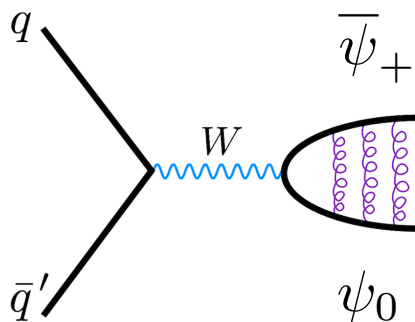
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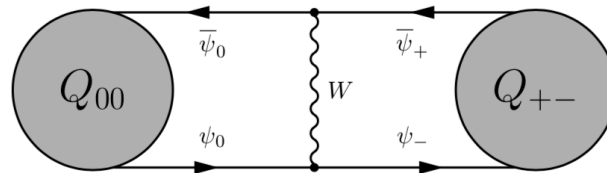


“quirky”  
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de-excites down to ground state  
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$$\hat{s} > 4m_\psi^2$$



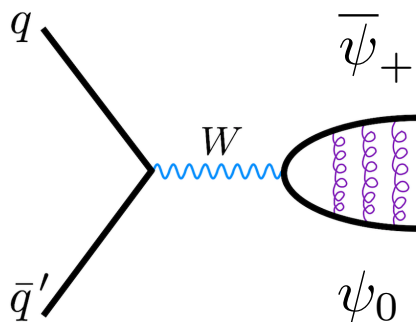
(electrically-neutral pairs too,  
via mass mixing)



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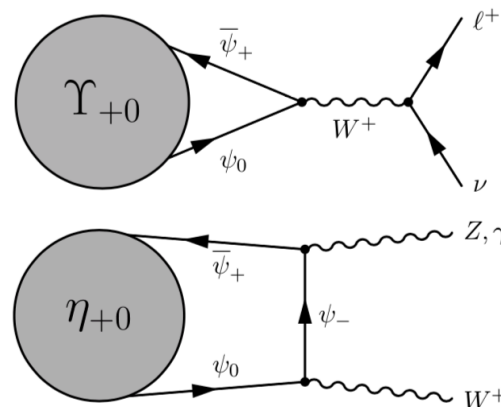
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annihilation of  $n = 1$  states



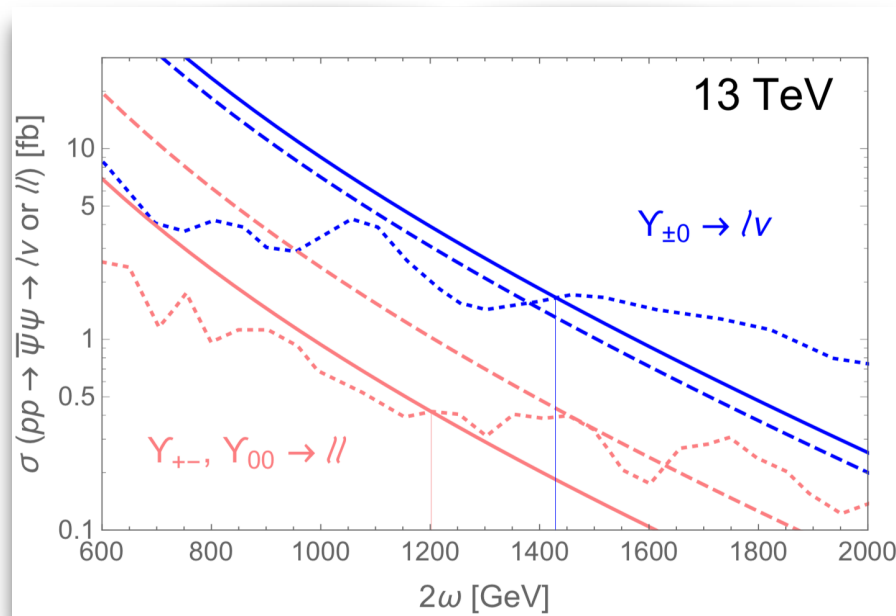
**resonant  
signals**

# $\Delta > \omega$ : quirk phenomenology

- Strongest bounds come from **charged channel**  
(decays to pure hidden gluons forbidden)

$$\omega \gtrsim 700 \text{ GeV}$$

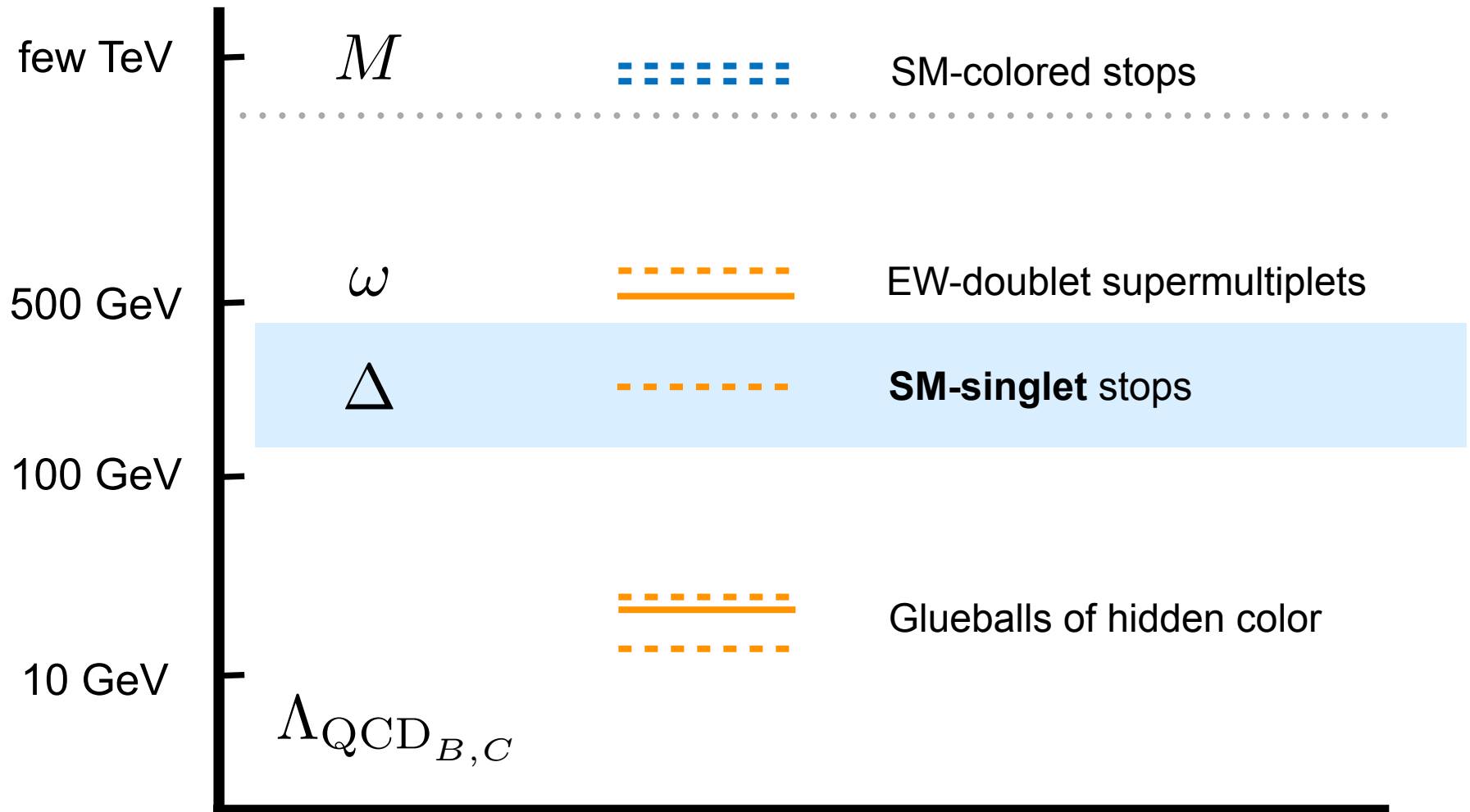
from  $\Upsilon_{+0} \rightarrow \ell \nu$



- Neutral channels give  $\omega \gtrsim 600 \text{ GeV}$  from  $\eta_{+-} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$   
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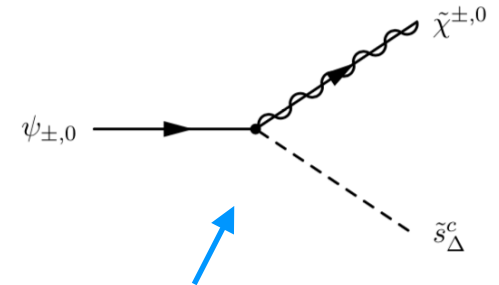
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Glueball radiation is prompt, but does not complete de-excitation

Residual kinetic energy

$$K \lesssim m_0 \simeq 7\Lambda_{\text{QCD}_{B,C}} \longleftrightarrow n \sim 10$$

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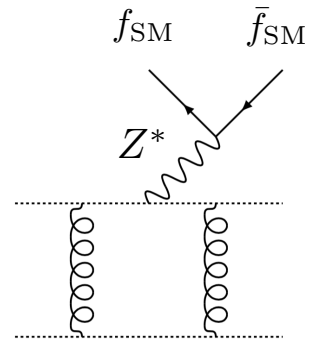


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The Higgs VEV gives a **small mass mixing** of singlet and doublet scalars,  $\tilde{s}_\Delta^c$  inherits **coupling to the Z**



$$t_{\text{de-excite}}^Z \sim \frac{32}{27\pi^4} \frac{\cos^4 \theta_w}{\alpha_W^2 \sin^4 \phi_R N_f} \frac{m_Z^4 m_{\tilde{s}_\Delta^c}^4 m_0^3}{\sigma^6} \sim 4 \cdot 10^{-13} \text{ s} \left( \frac{5 \text{ GeV}}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}_{B,C}}} \right)^9 \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{s}_\Delta^c}}{300 \text{ GeV}} \right)^4$$

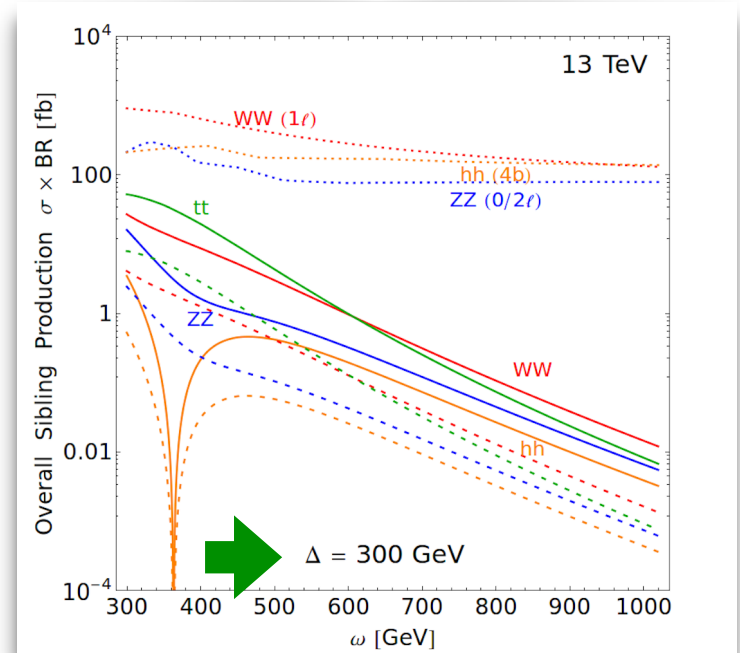
$\sim 0.1 \text{ mm}$ , still prompt

# $\Delta < \omega$ : light singlet scalars

- Lowest-lying bound state is  $0^{++}$
- Annihilates dominantly to hidden glueballs,  $\text{BR}(\text{SM}) \sim \%$  level

➡ Resonant signals well below current sensitivity

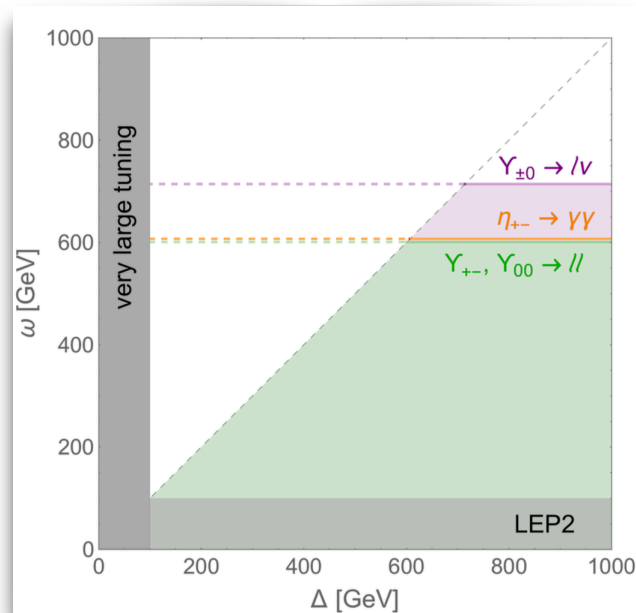
➡ **Very light singlets are allowed**



- Extra particles from cascade decays may give further constraints

**Cheng, Li, Salvioni,  
Verhaaren, work in progress**

# Summary



- Naturalness can manifest in **unexpected guises**
- Tripled top: accidental SUSY, top partners can be **complete SM singlets**
- May be **as light as few 100's of GeV**
- Full analysis of LHC signatures is ongoing



**Backup**

# The soft masses

Cheng, Li, Salvioni,  
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$$SU(2) \quad F = 3$$

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(e.g.:  $m_{\bar{P}_2}^2 > 0$ ,  $m_{\bar{P}_1}^2 = 0$ )

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- $Z_3$  - symmetric Yukawas

$$W \ni \frac{g_t}{\Lambda_{UV}^2} P \bar{P} P \bar{P} H \longrightarrow y_t \sim g_t \frac{\Lambda_G^2}{\Lambda_{UV}^2}$$

# Soft masses of composite mesons

- s-confinement = smooth confinement without chiral symmetry breaking and with a non-vanishing confining superpotential

- In the UV, from  $P \rightarrow \sqrt{Z} P$

Arkani-Hamed, Rattazzi  
hep-th/9804068

$$\frac{1}{4} \int d^2\theta S(\mu_{UV}) W^2 + \text{h.c.} + \int d^4\theta Z F \left( S(\mu_{UV}) + S^\dagger(\mu_{UV}) - \frac{T}{4\pi^2} \ln Z \right) P^\dagger e^V P$$

- Anomalous  $U(1)$  symmetry  $Z \rightarrow Z\chi\chi^\dagger$ ,  $P \rightarrow P/\chi$ ,  $S(\mu_{UV}) \rightarrow S(\mu_{UV}) + \frac{T}{4\pi^2} \ln \chi$   
 $Z$  is promoted to background vector superfield

- Only invariant object is  $I = \Lambda_h^\dagger Z^{2T/b} \Lambda_h$  ( $\Lambda_h = \mu_{UV} e^{-8\pi^2 S/b}$ )

and 
$$m_P^2(\mu_{UV}) = -[\ln Z]_{\theta^2\bar{\theta}^2} - [\ln F(\mu_{UV})]_{\theta^2\bar{\theta}^2} \xrightarrow{\mu_{UV} \rightarrow \infty} -[\ln Z]_{\theta^2\bar{\theta}^2}$$

- In the IR, effective Kähler potential for mesons starts with

$$K \supset c_{M_{ij}} \frac{M_{ij}^\dagger Z_i Z_{\bar{j}} M_{ij}}{I} + \dots \quad \Rightarrow \quad m_{M_{ij}}^2 \Big|_{\mu_{IR} \rightarrow 0} = - \left[ \ln \frac{Z_i Z_{\bar{j}}}{I} \right]_{\theta^2\bar{\theta}^2} = -[\ln Z_i]_{\theta^2\bar{\theta}^2} - [\ln Z_{\bar{j}}]_{\theta^2\bar{\theta}^2} + [\ln I]_{\theta^2\bar{\theta}^2} = m_{P_i}^2 + m_{P_j}^2 - \frac{2}{b} \sum_k T_{r_k} \left( m_{P_k}^2 + m_{\bar{P}_k}^2 \right)$$