



Delicious Supersymmetry:

Removing the flavor problem with an R-Symmetry

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Our perspective on flavor at the weak scale

*Could there be new states at the weak scale that couple to flavor and show essentially no flavor alignment?**



Minimal flavor violation (Chivukula & Georgi, 1987; Hall and Randall 1990; D'Ambrosio, Giudice, Isidori & Strumia 2002; Buras, Gambino, Gorbahn, Jäger & Silvestrini 2001; Ali & London 1999)

Next-to-minimal flavor violation (Ligeti, Papucci, Perez 2006; Agashe, Papucci, Perez, Pirjol 2005)

*and be consistent with experiment

Can there be a rich flavor structure accessible at the LHC?

- Yes!

If supersymmetry is extended to contain an extended R-symmetry (i.e., larger than R-parity) one can have highly mixed, highly non-degenerate squarks and sleptons at a few hundred GeV

R-symmetry...

I feel dizzy...

maybe there's massive
flavor violation
in squarks and sleptons...

Pointe Percée 2753 m.

Base ~2100 m.

Low oxygen environments
good for stimulating ideas



Solving the flavor problem

- All attempts to solve the SUSY flavor problem rely on suppressing off-diagonal elements of the squark and slepton mass matrices
 - Flavor Universality at high scale (Dimopoulos & Georgi)
 - Gauge mediation (Dine, Nelson, Nir, Shirman)
 - Anomaly mediation (Randall, Sundrum; Giudice, Luty, Murayama, Rattazzi)
 - Gaugino mediation (Kaplan, Kribs, Schmaltz ; Chacko, Luty, Nelson, Ponton)
 - “Mirage” mediation (Choi, Jeong, Okumura)
 - Gaugino-assisted anomaly mediation (Kaplan & Kribs)
 - Flavor symmetries/alignment (multiple; Nir & Seiberg)
 - Nelson-Strassler models (Nelson & Strassler) and AdS duals
- Alternatives: large flavor violation, but push 1st/2nd gen squarks to 200 TeV, 20 TeV w/ 10% tuning (effective SUSY; Cohen ,Kaplan & Nelson)
- Consequence: either minor FV or large flavor violation must be pushed into the multi-TeV regime
- Problem much weaker in R-symmetric SUSY

R-Symmetry in SUSY

- Can extend R-parity to continuous $U(1)_R$
 - “Superpartner number”
- Dynamical SUSY breaking requires an R-symmetry (Nelson & Seiberg)
 - MSSM requires R-breaking
 - Explicit R-breaking while maintaining SUSY breaking a challenge for DSB
- Can we extend phenomenological SUSY to have a full $U(1)_R$?

What breaks R-symmetry in MSSM?

- Three things
 - A-terms
 - Majorana gaugino masses
 - μ -term

A-terms and μ -terms

$$\int d^2\theta \lambda_{ij} Q U H_u \supset \lambda_{ij} \bar{q} u h_u$$

R charge 2

R charge 0



$$\lambda_{ij} \tilde{q} \tilde{u} h_u$$

R charge 2

A terms in the presence of superpotential Yukawas
Violate R-symmetry

μ and B_μ

- Similar story to A-terms

$$\int d^2\mu H_u H_d \supset \mu \bar{H}_u H_d$$

R charge 2 R charge 0

→ $B_\mu h_u h_d$

R charge 2

Keep this one (to generate h_d vev)

Scalar terms with same structure as superpotential terms violate R-symmetry

Gaugino masses

$$\int d^2\theta X W_\alpha W^\alpha$$

Gaugino mass ($\langle X \rangle = \theta^2 F$)

$$+ \int d^2\theta W_\alpha W^\alpha$$

Gaugino kinetic term

$\Rightarrow X$ is complete singlet

$\Rightarrow F_x$ carries R-charge 2

Constructing an R-symmetric theory: A terms

- Step one: no A-terms

easy enough...

Constructing an R-symmetric theory: μ term

- Add extra Higgs doublets, $R_{u,d}$ with R-charge 2

$$\int d^2\theta \mu_u H_u R_u + \mu_d H_d R_d$$

Can still have $B_\mu h_u h_d$ as usual

Constructing an R-symmetric theory: gaugino masses

- Problem was Majorana nature of gaugino masses
 - Gauginos carry R-charge 1
- Dirac gauginos can carry conserved continuous quantum numbers

(Polchinski & Susskind 1982, Hall & Randall 1991, Dine & MacIntire 1993, Fox, Nelson, NW 2002..., Scherk-Schwarz theories)

$$\frac{1}{M} \int d^2\theta W'_\alpha W_i^\alpha A^i$$

Polchinski & Susskind '82;
Dine & Macintire '93;
Fox, Nelson, NW '02

- Generates Dirac gaugino masses
- Generates new scalar couplings
- Gives scalar (not pseudoscalar) mass twice that of the gaugino

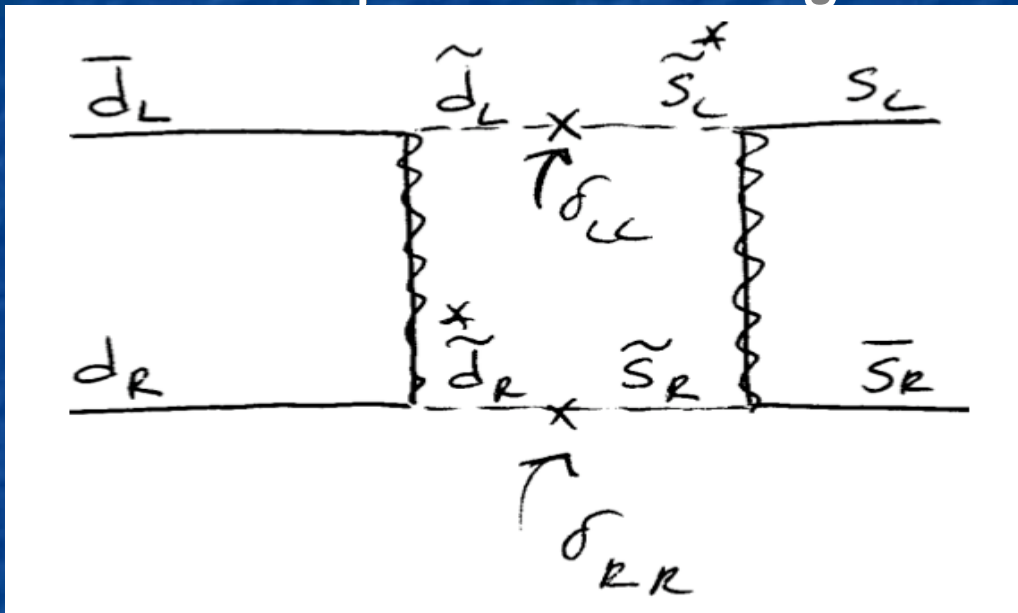
Note: gauginos now fill out N=2 multiplet,
“gauge extended model”

R-symmetric summary

- We can construct an R-symmetric theory using the three independent ingredients (MRSSM)
 - No A-terms
 - Modified Higgs sector (μ term)
 - Dirac gauginos
- Claim: in such a theory, the flavor problem can be nearly absent

Flavor in the MRSSM

- Case in point: box diagram contributions to Δm_K



Generates dim 6 operator

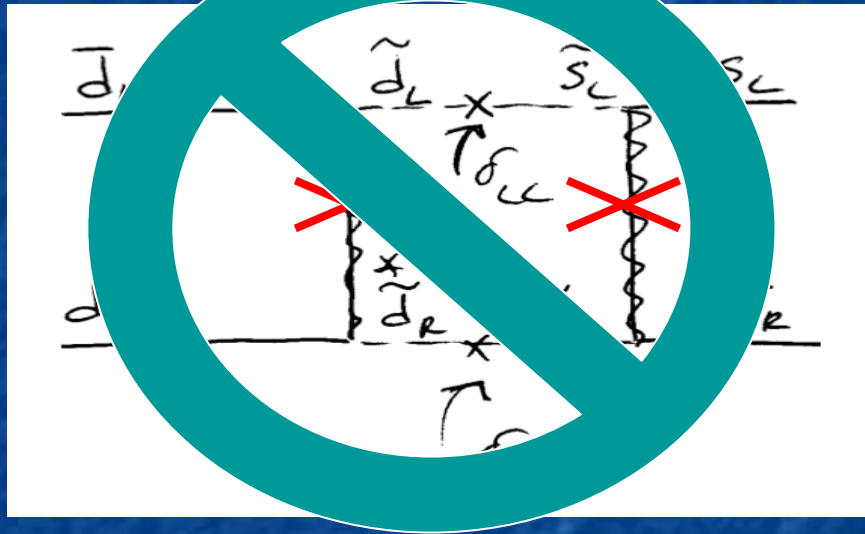
$$\frac{\alpha_s^2 \delta^2}{M^2} (\bar{d}s)^2$$

$$\delta = \frac{\tilde{m}_{ds}^2}{\tilde{m}^2}$$

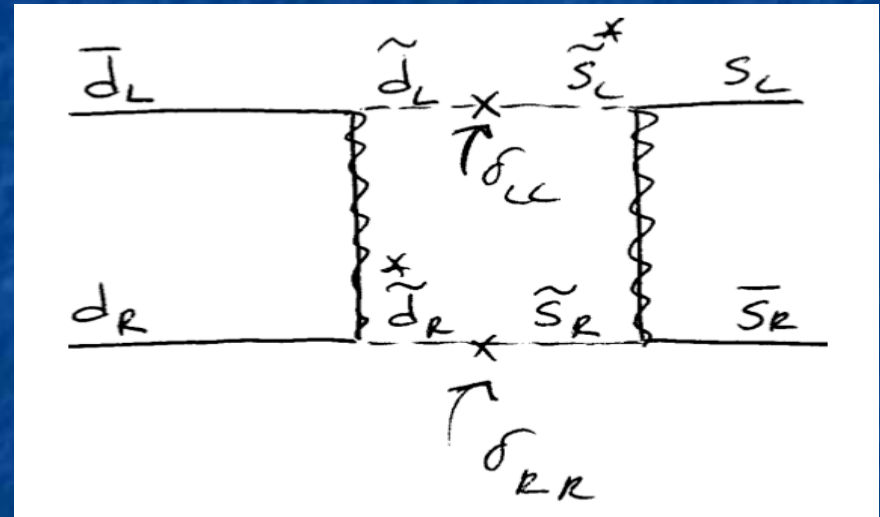
If $m_{\text{squark}} = m_{\text{gluino}} = 500 \text{ GeV}$, and $\delta = 1$
 $\Rightarrow 10^6$ times too large

Where do we get a 10^6 ?

- First, note diagram is two pieces, one with helicity flips, and one without



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1/10

For similar masses $m_{\text{squark}} \sim m_{\text{gluino}}$, factor of 10 difference

With Dirac gauginos, helicity flips take you to uncoupled RH state

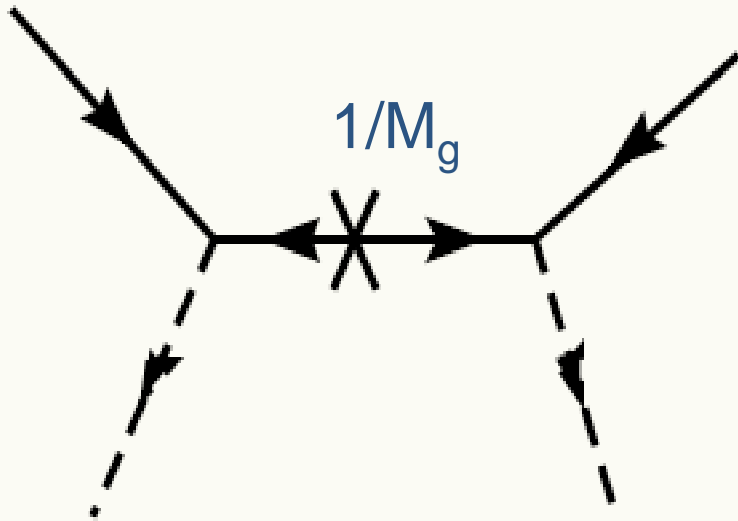
Heavy gauginos

- Unlike Majorana gauginos, Dirac gauginos do not contribute to RGEs of sfermion masses
 - => natural to have gauginos heavier by $(4\pi/\alpha)^{1/2} \sim 10$
- Thus few hundred GeV squarks natural with few TeV gauginos

$$\frac{\alpha_s^2 \delta^2}{m_{\tilde{g}}^2} (\bar{d}s)^2$$

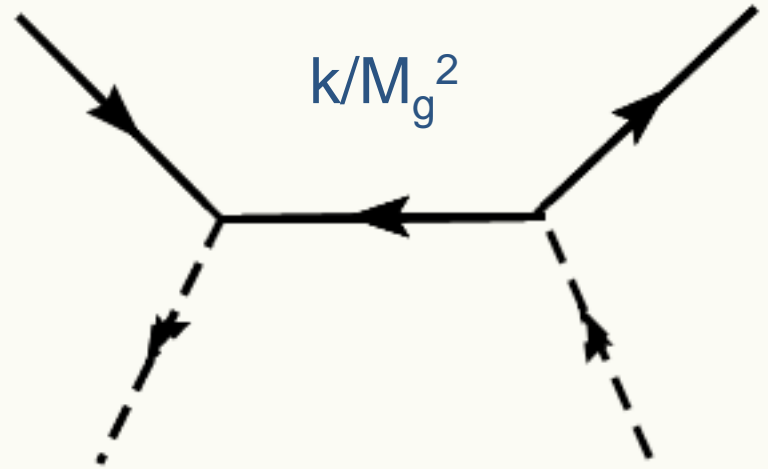
$$1/10 \times 1/(10)^2 = 1/(10)^3$$

Effective operators



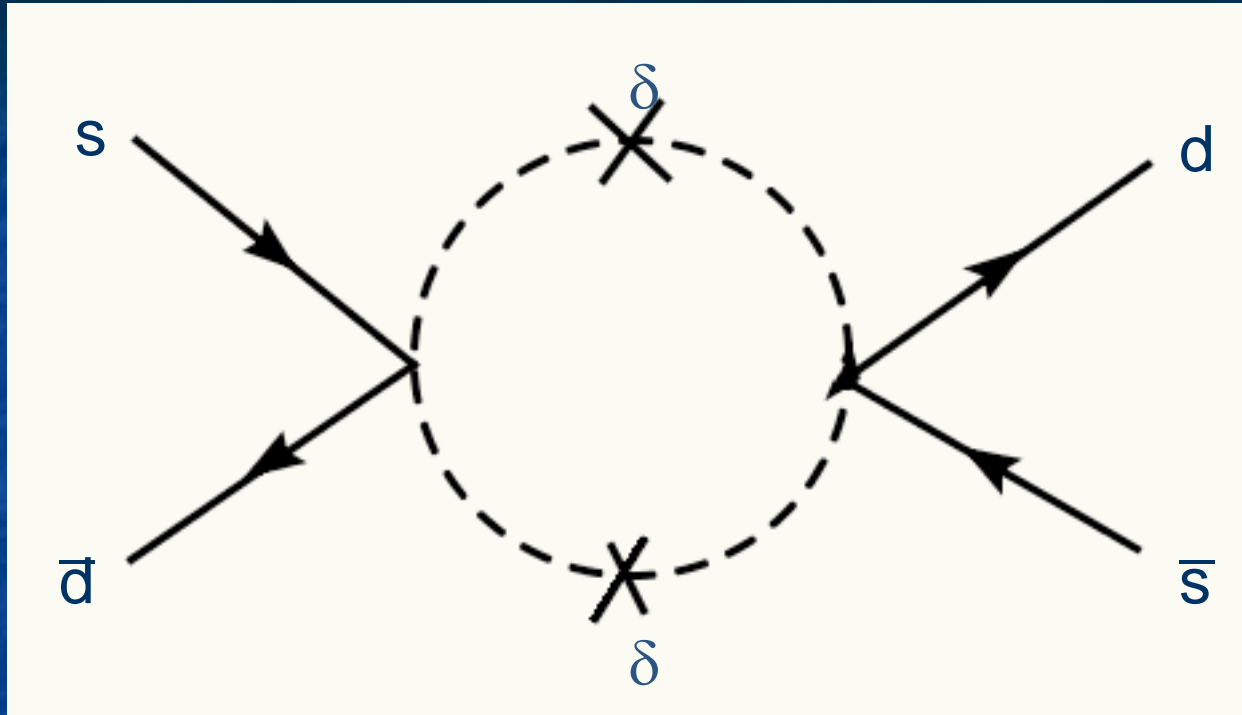
Dim 5 operator

$$\frac{1}{M} q q \tilde{q}^* \tilde{q}^*$$



Dim 6 operator

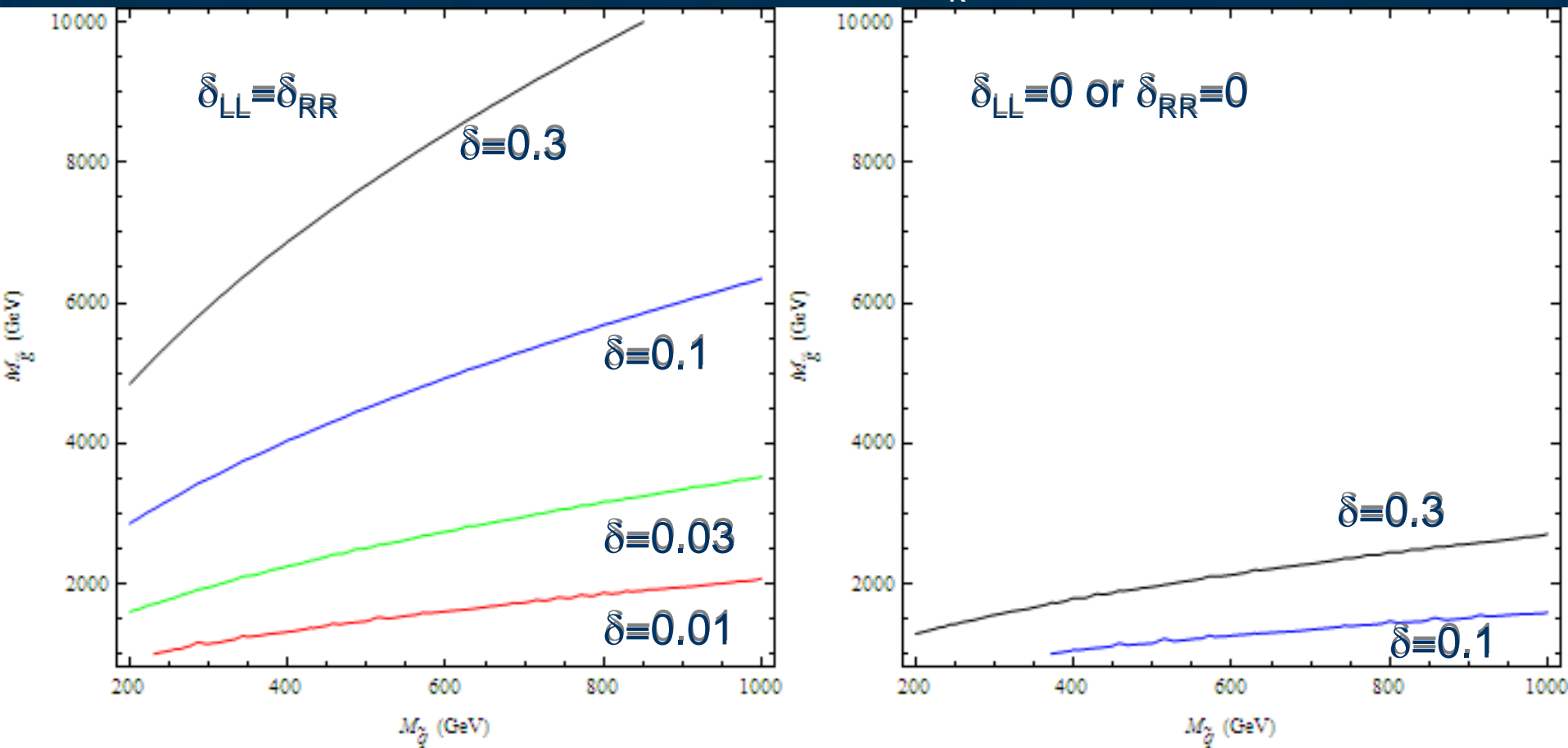
$$\frac{1}{M^2} \bar{q} \gamma_\mu q \tilde{q}^* \partial^\mu \tilde{q}$$



- Dominated by $k \sim m_{\text{squark}}$
- Leads to additional $m_{\text{squark}}^2 / m_{\text{gaugino}}^2 \sim 10^{-2}$ suppression

So $1/10^5$ in total

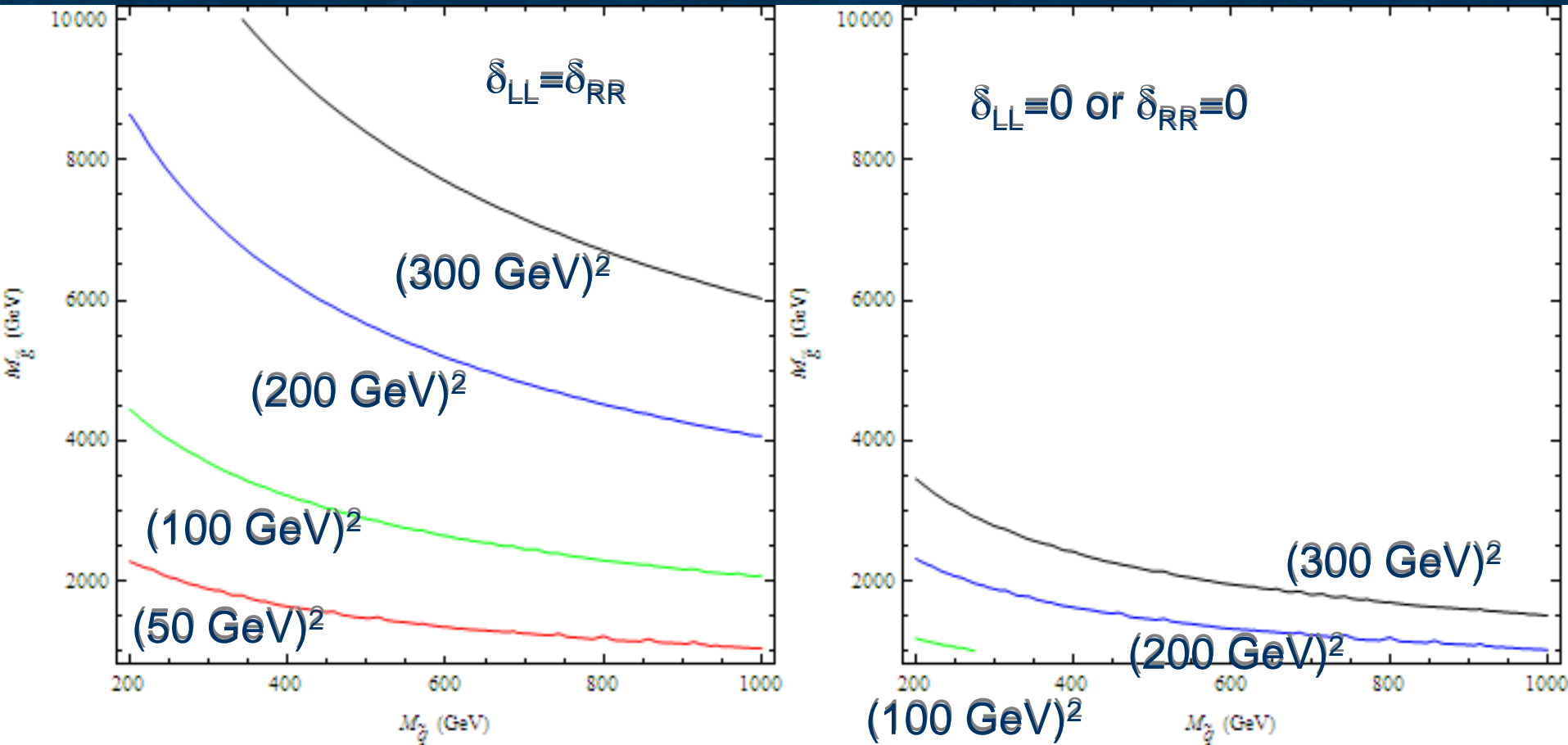
Limits from Δm_k



Limits *including* LO QCD corrections (Blechman & Ng arXiv:0803.3811) - cannot simply apply Bagger, Matchev, Zhang (LO) or Ciuchini et al (NLO) in SUSY because of dim 6 vs dim 5 ops

(Plots courtesy Siew-Phang Ng)

Can easily have $(100 \text{ GeV})^2 - (300 \text{ GeV})^2$ soft masses
 masses on top of flavor diagonal radiative masses



More natural than equivalent MSSM theory with similar mass squarks because no large logarithm

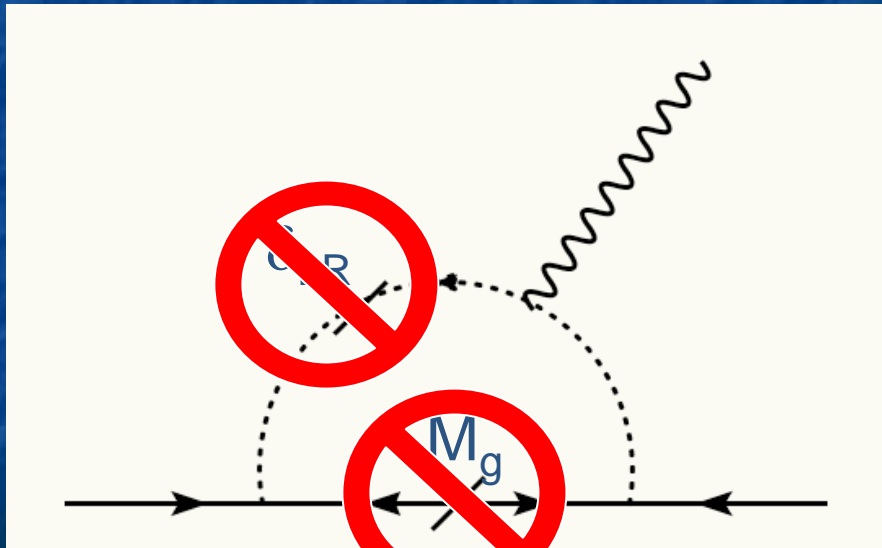
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No strong constraints from mixing

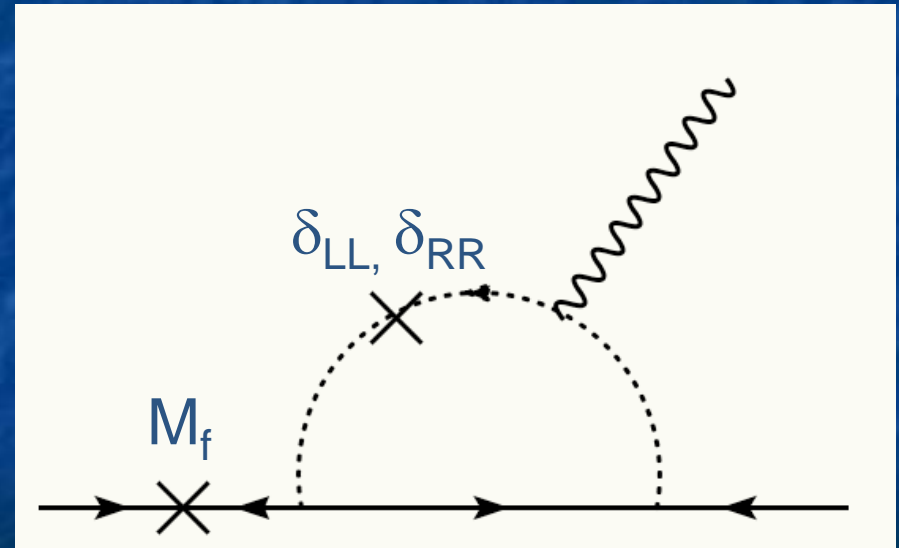
- B,D,K mixing all yield weak constraints
 - (B,D much weaker than K)
- ε_k needs additional 10^{-2} suppression
 - Small d_{LL} or d_{RR} ($\sim(30 \text{ GeV})^2$ with $8\text{TeV}/600\text{Gev}$)
 - Real soft masses
 - Spontaneous CP (a la Nelson-Barr or Hiller-Schmaltz) via up sector (in prog, Kagan, Rastogi, NW)

Radiative $\Delta F=1$

$$\bar{f}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} f_R F_{\mu\nu}$$

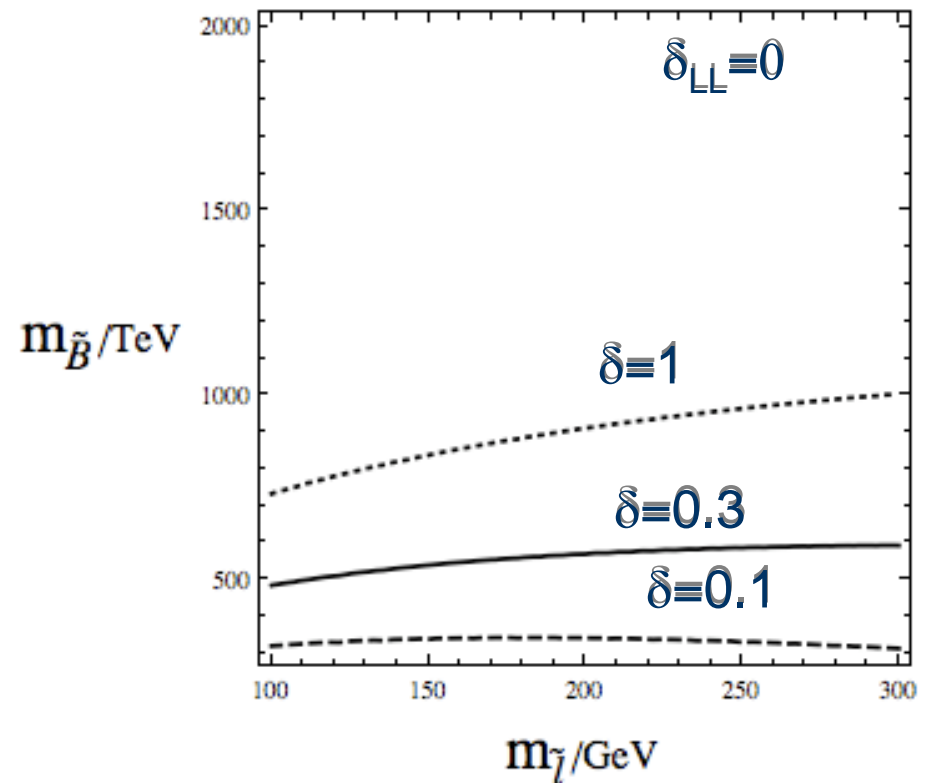
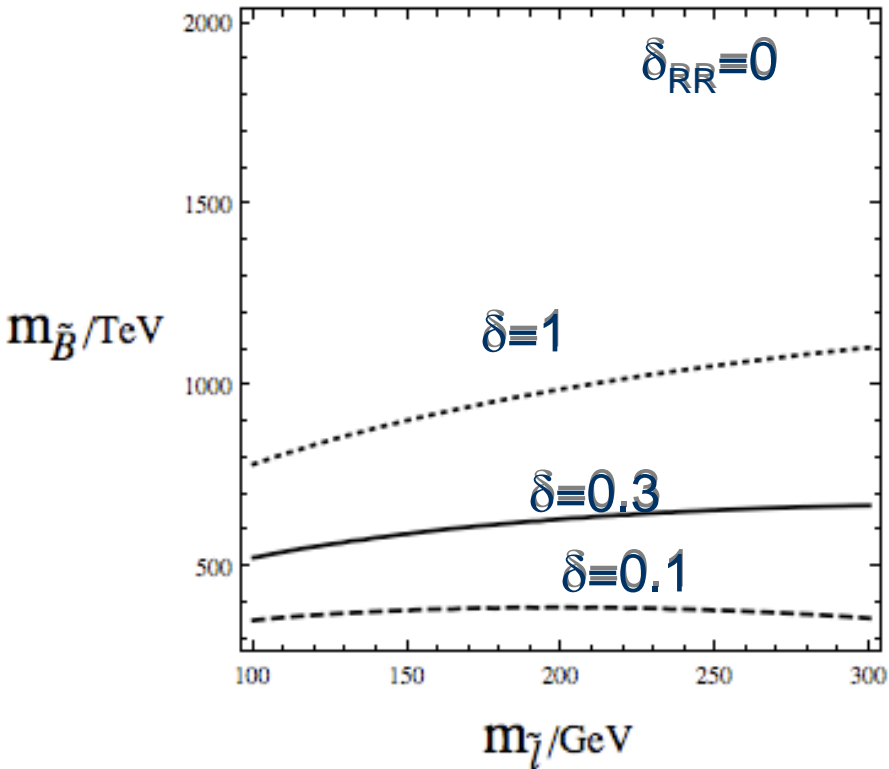


Sensitive to δ_{LR}



Sensitive to δ_{LL}, δ_{RR}

$\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$



(assuming $m_B = m_W/2$)

- Heavy gauginos, no triple flip diagrams
- $b \rightarrow s \gamma$, $\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma$, $\tau \rightarrow e \gamma$ safe

Flavor Summary

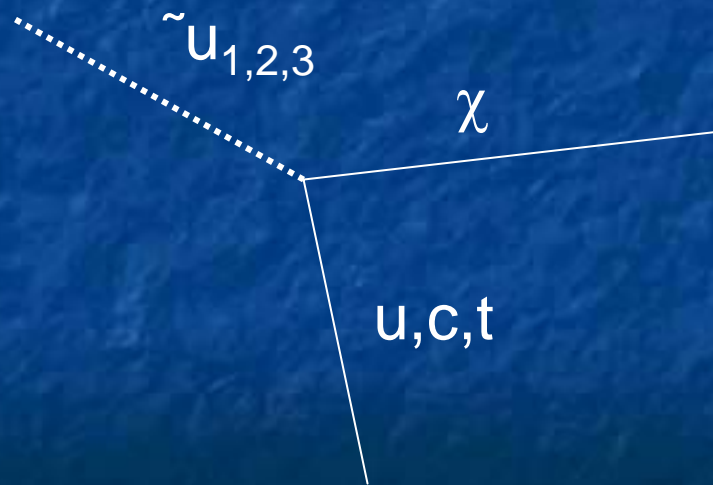
- The new MFV: Massive Flavor Violation
- The presence of an R-symmetry in SUSY, coupled with heavy gauginos allows significant flavor violation

Consequences

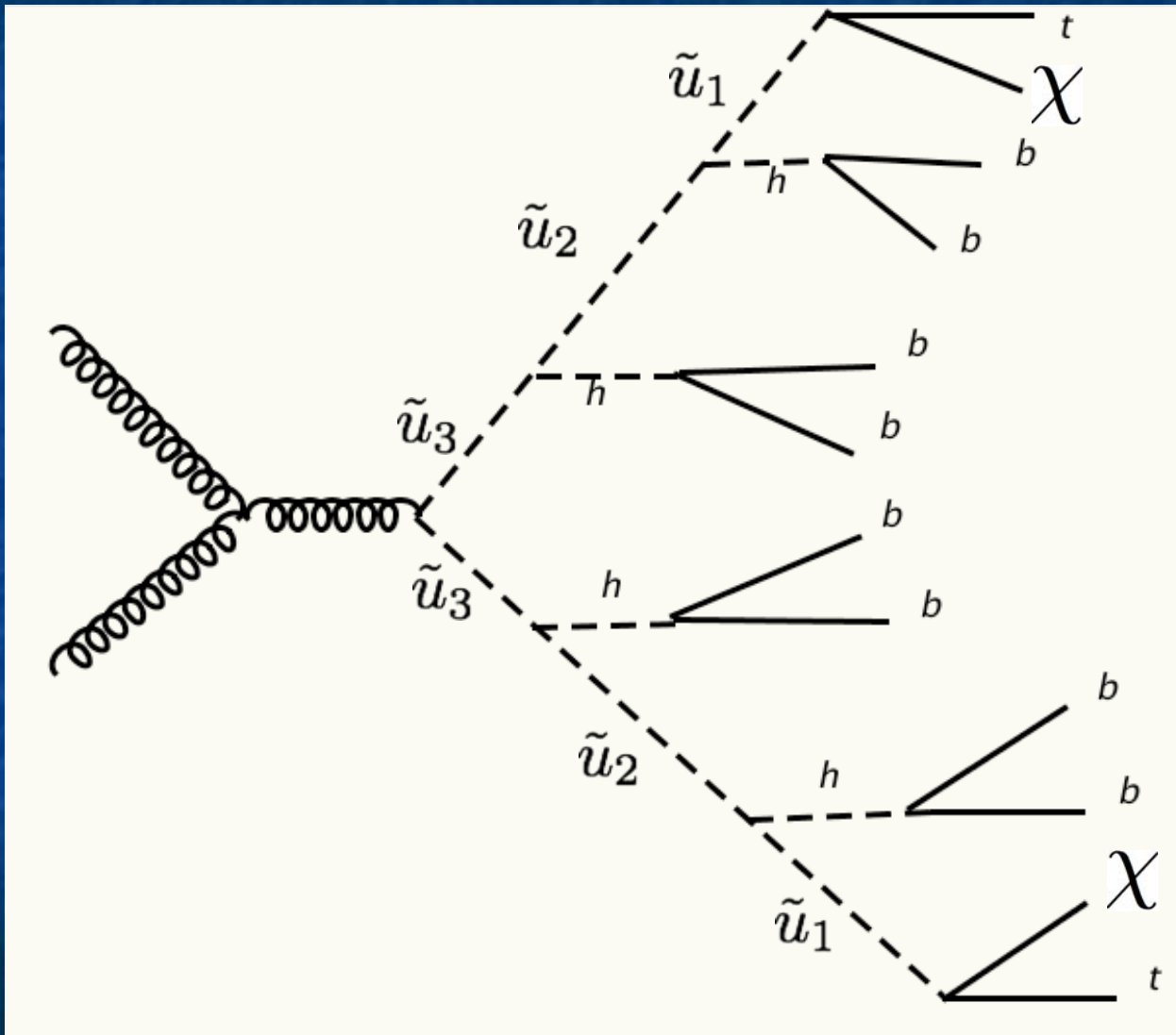
Broad spectra

\tilde{u}_R^3	——	800 GeV
\tilde{q}_L^3	——	700 GeV
\tilde{q}_L^2	——	675 GeV
\tilde{q}_L^1	——	600 GeV
\tilde{d}_R^3	——	600 GeV
\tilde{u}_R^2	——	575 GeV
\tilde{u}_R^1	——	525 GeV
\tilde{d}_L^2	——	475 GeV
\tilde{d}_L^1	——	425 GeV

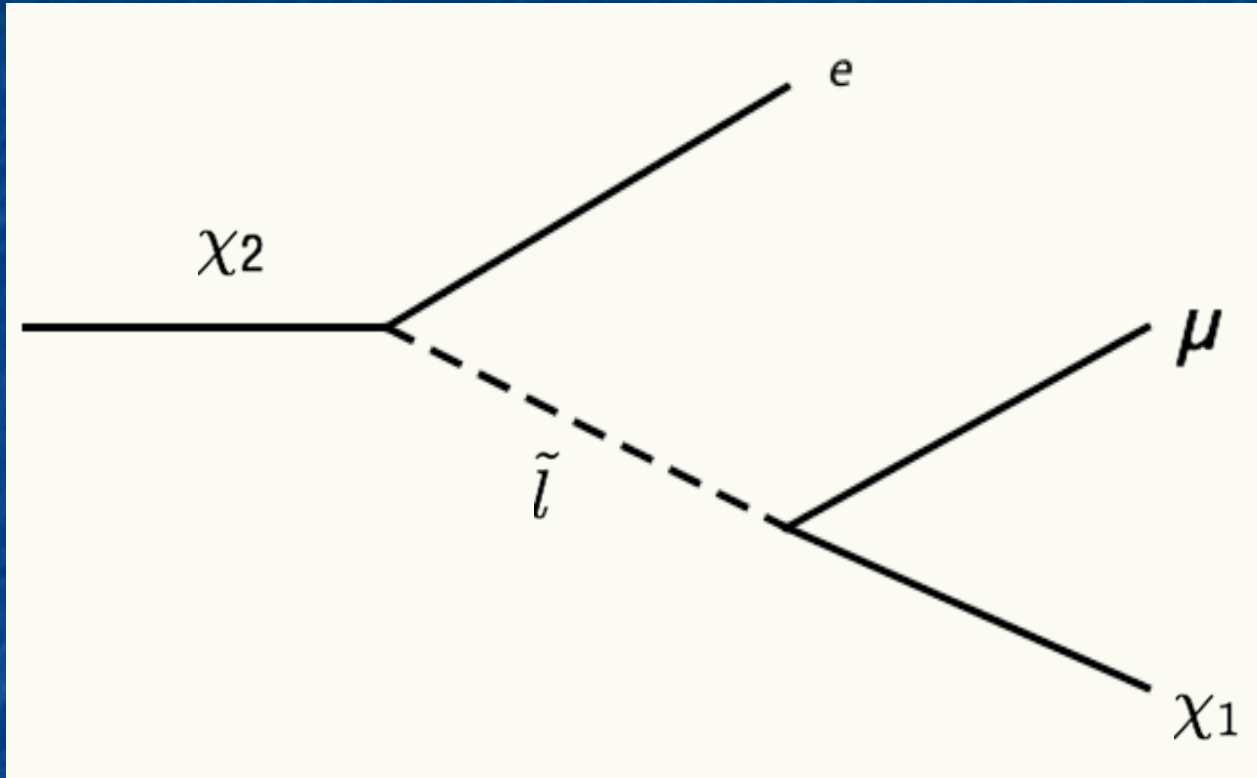
No characteristic decay, because they're all "top" squarks, "bottom" squarks



New cascades



Flavor violating edges

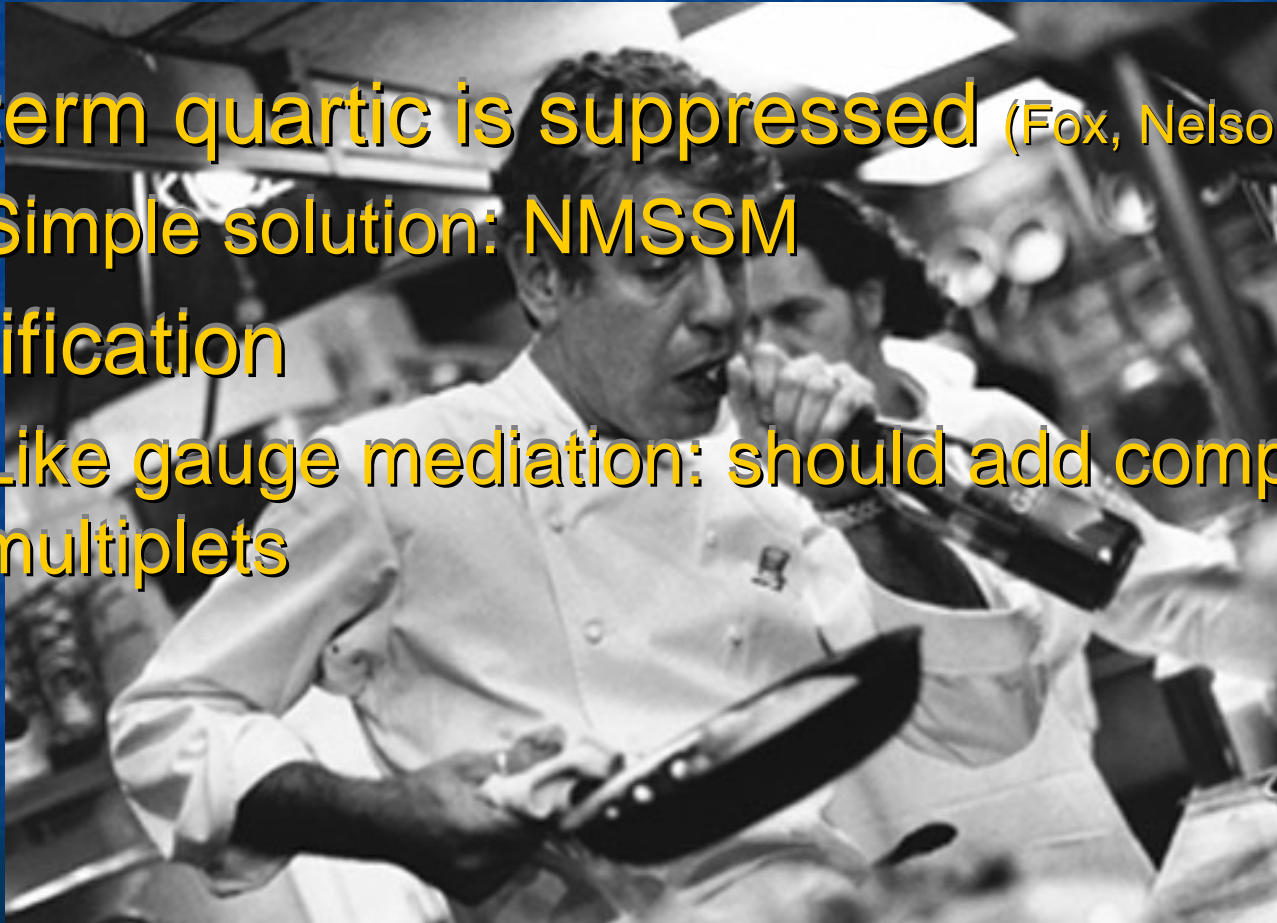


Can't use flavor subtraction

Should be able to see these things - but need to figure out how to tease the FV out of the signal

What goes on in the kitchen...

- D-term quartic is suppressed (Fox, Nelson, NW)
 - Simple solution: NMSSM
- Unification
 - Like gauge mediation: should add complete multiplets



New possibilities for flavor at $< \text{TeV}$

- *New proposal for addressing flavor in supersymmetry*
 - *Similar in field content to GMSB*
 - *Dramatically different phenomenology*
 - *Important to think about how to see FV*
- *Many issues to address*
 - *LHC phenomenology (Kribs & Roy in progress)*
 - *General structures, Higgs mass, naturalness (Blechman, Kaplan, Luty, NW in progress)*
 - *CP violation (Kagan, Rastogi, NW, in progress)*
 - *Dark Matter (Chang, Kribs, Tucker-Smith, NW, in progress)*
 - *Neutrino masses (Kumar, NW, in progress)*
 - *...*
- *Hoping for a feast of new data from the LHC!*