

# Cosmology at the LHC?

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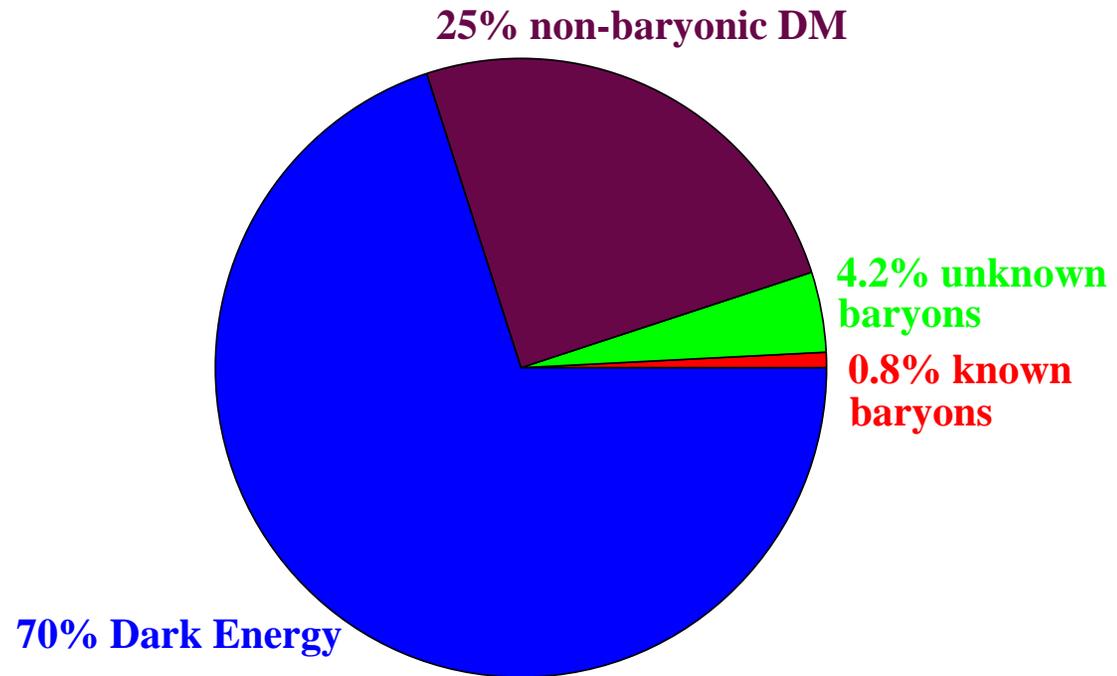
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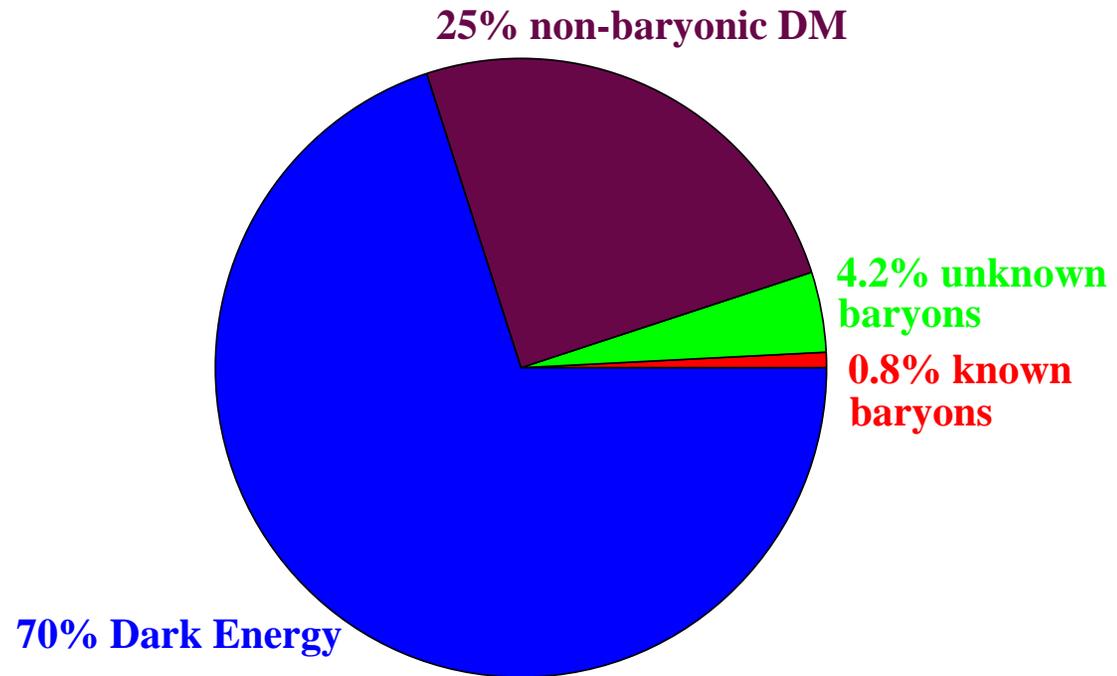
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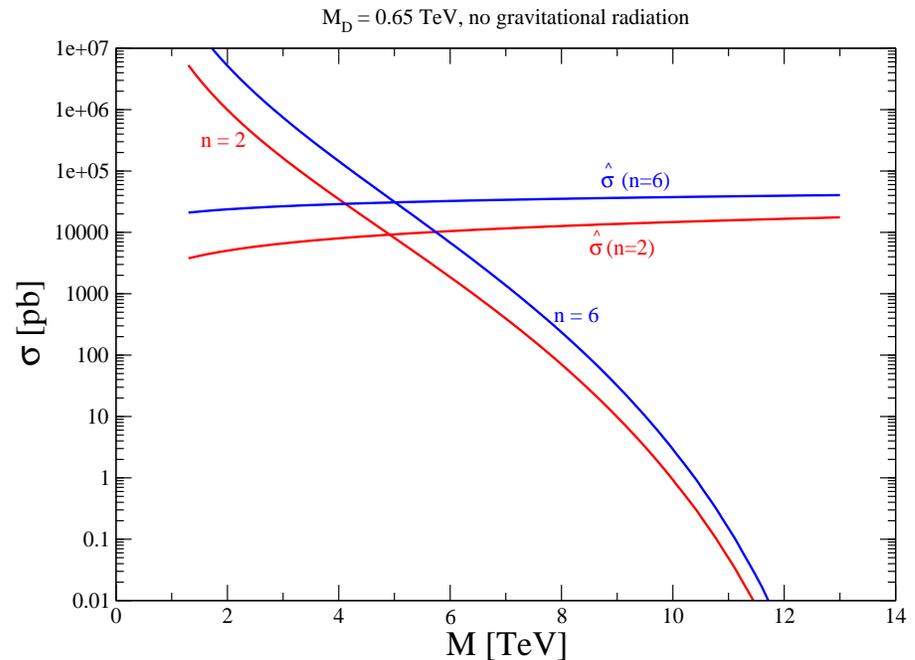
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- In models with large extra dimension: LHC may be black hole factory; “cosmon” should be produced in bh decay

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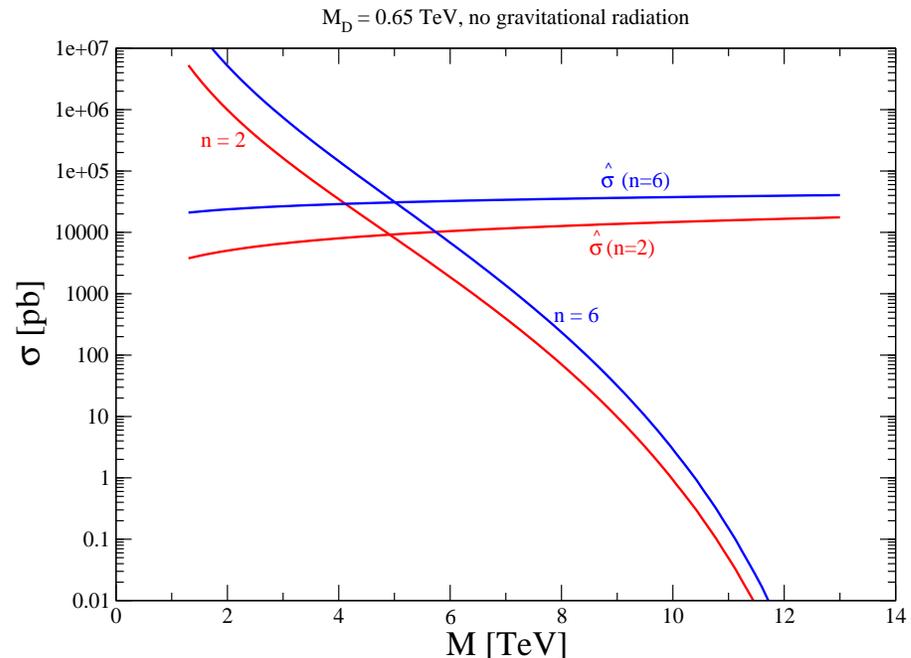
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- Hence: Neither understand final stage of bh decay, nor total bh production cross section!

# On the other hand ...

Finding superparticles makes understanding small cosmological constant  $10^{60}$  times easier!

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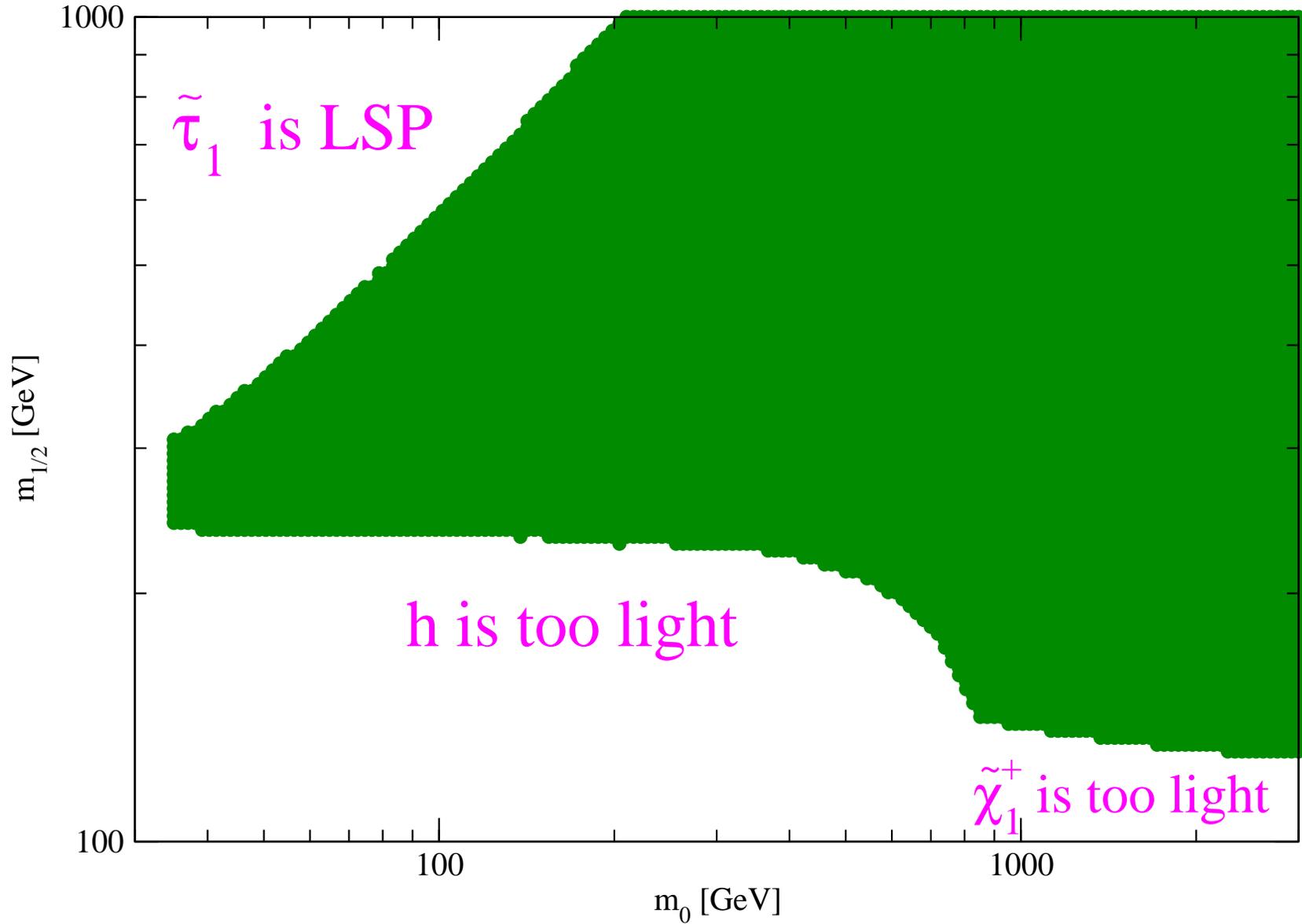
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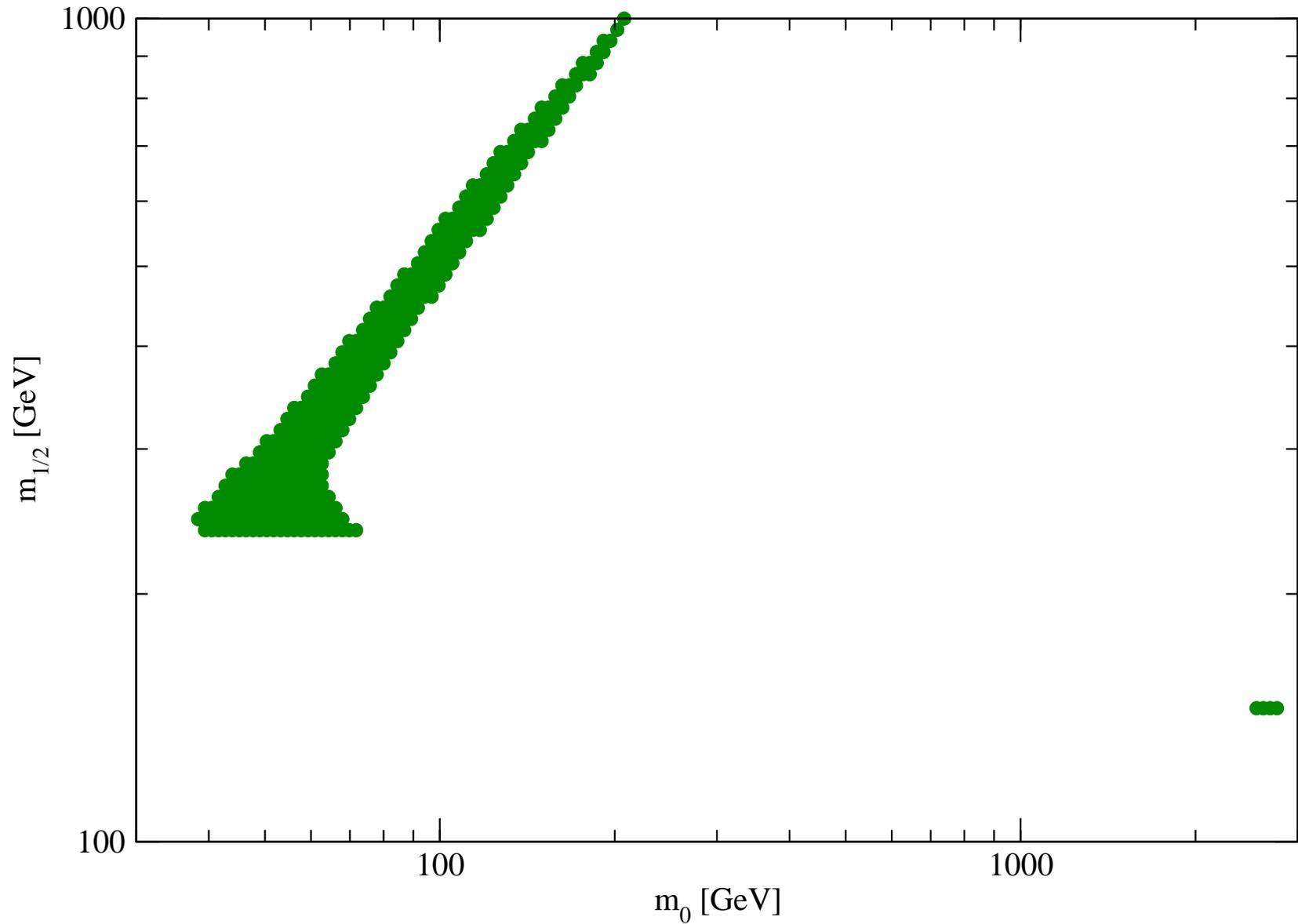
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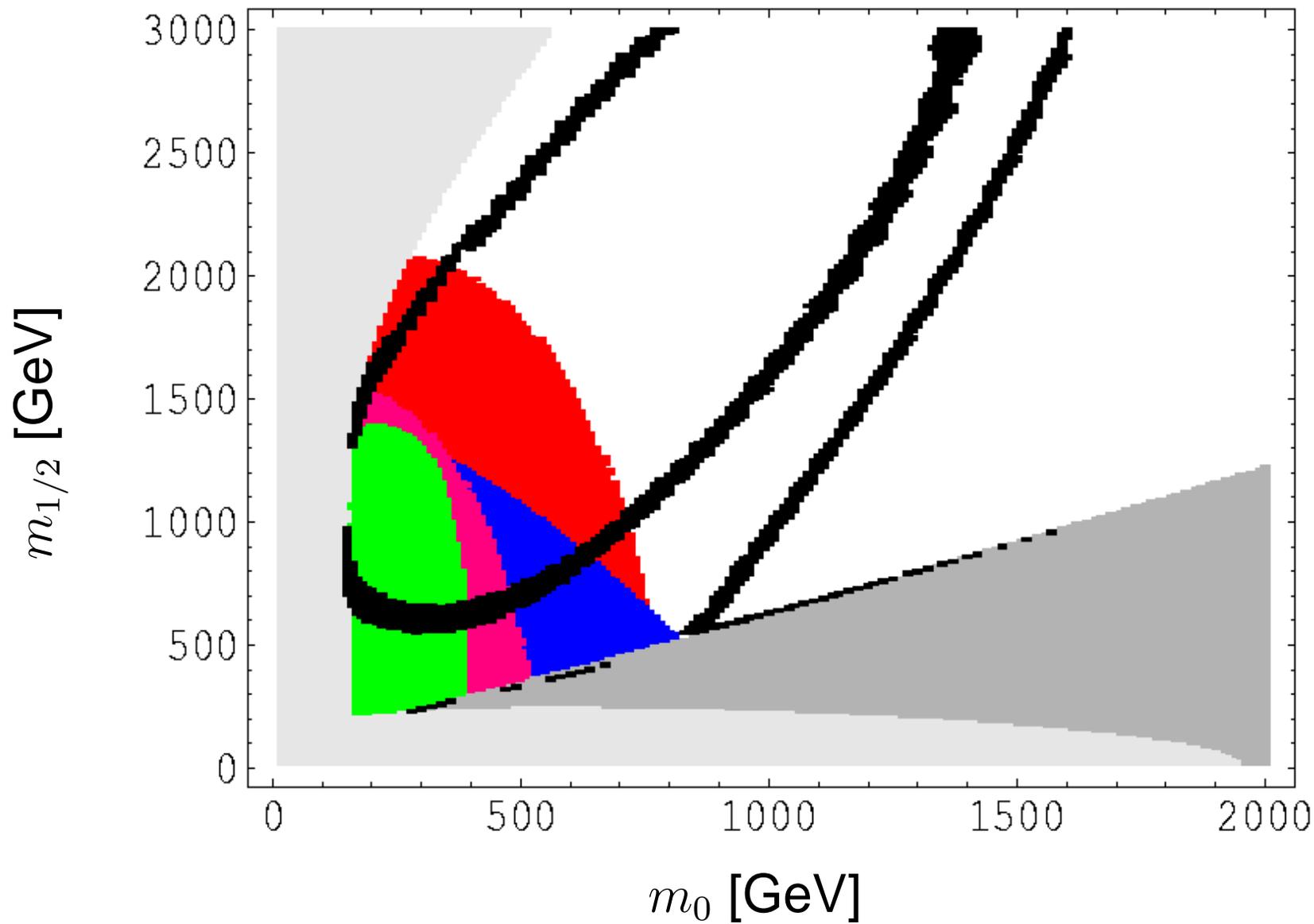


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